

Short introduction to R

Start R:

> R

Exit R:

> q() or Ctrl+D

Help to commands

> ?plot

or more general

> ??solve #equals to

> help.search("solve")

e.g. search for ?help.search for more information

Execute an R script within R:

> source("script.R")

Vectors:

> K = c(1,2,3,4,5) #is equal to

> K = 1:5 # and leads to a vector of 5 elements from 1 to 5

Access vectors:

> K[1] #→ **1 vectors start with 1 not with 0**

> K[K%%2==0] # →returns all value modulo (%%) 2 equals to zero

> K

[1] 2 4

Matrices

> K = matrix(1:25,nrow=5,ncol=5) # leads to a 5x5 matrix with values from 1-25

> K #if no command is used the content of the variable is printed

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  [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4] [,5]
[1,]   1   6  11  16  21
[2,]   2   7  12  17  22
[3,]   3   8  13  18  23
[4,]   4   9  14  19  24
[5,]   5  10  15  20  25
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Return first column:

> K[,1]

[1] 1 2 3 4 5

Returns the first row

> K[1,]

[1] 1 6 11 16 21

Return the first two rows

> K[1:2,]

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  [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4] [,5]
[1,]   1   6  11  16  21
[2,]   2   7  12  17  22
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Useful links:

- A more comprehensive introduction for R:
 - <http://cran.r-project.org/doc/manuals/R-intro.pdf>
- Other cheatsheets:
 - <http://cran.r-project.org/doc/contrib/refcard.pdf>
 - <http://cran.r-project.org/doc/contrib/Baggott-refcard-v2.pdf>
- Search engine related to R:
 - <http://www.rseek.org/>