

Introduction to R

Harvard Chan Bioinformatics Core

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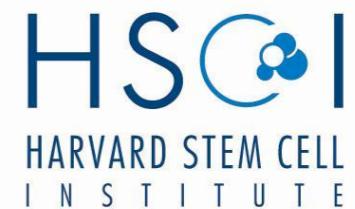
Consulting

- Experimental design help
- RNA-seq analysis: bulk, single cell, small RNA
- ChIP-seq and ATAC-seq analysis
- Genome-wide methylation
- WGS, resequencing, exome-seq and CNV studies
- QC & analysis of gene expression arrays
- Functional enrichment analysis
- Grant support

<http://bioinformatics.sph.harvard.edu/>



NIEHS



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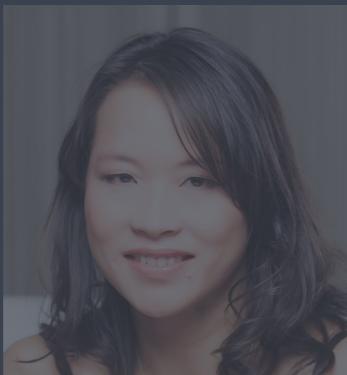
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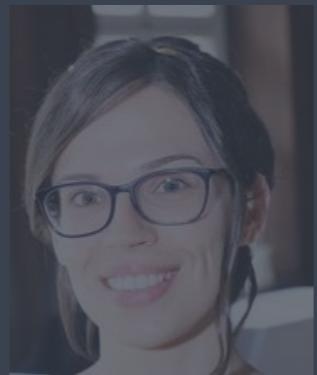
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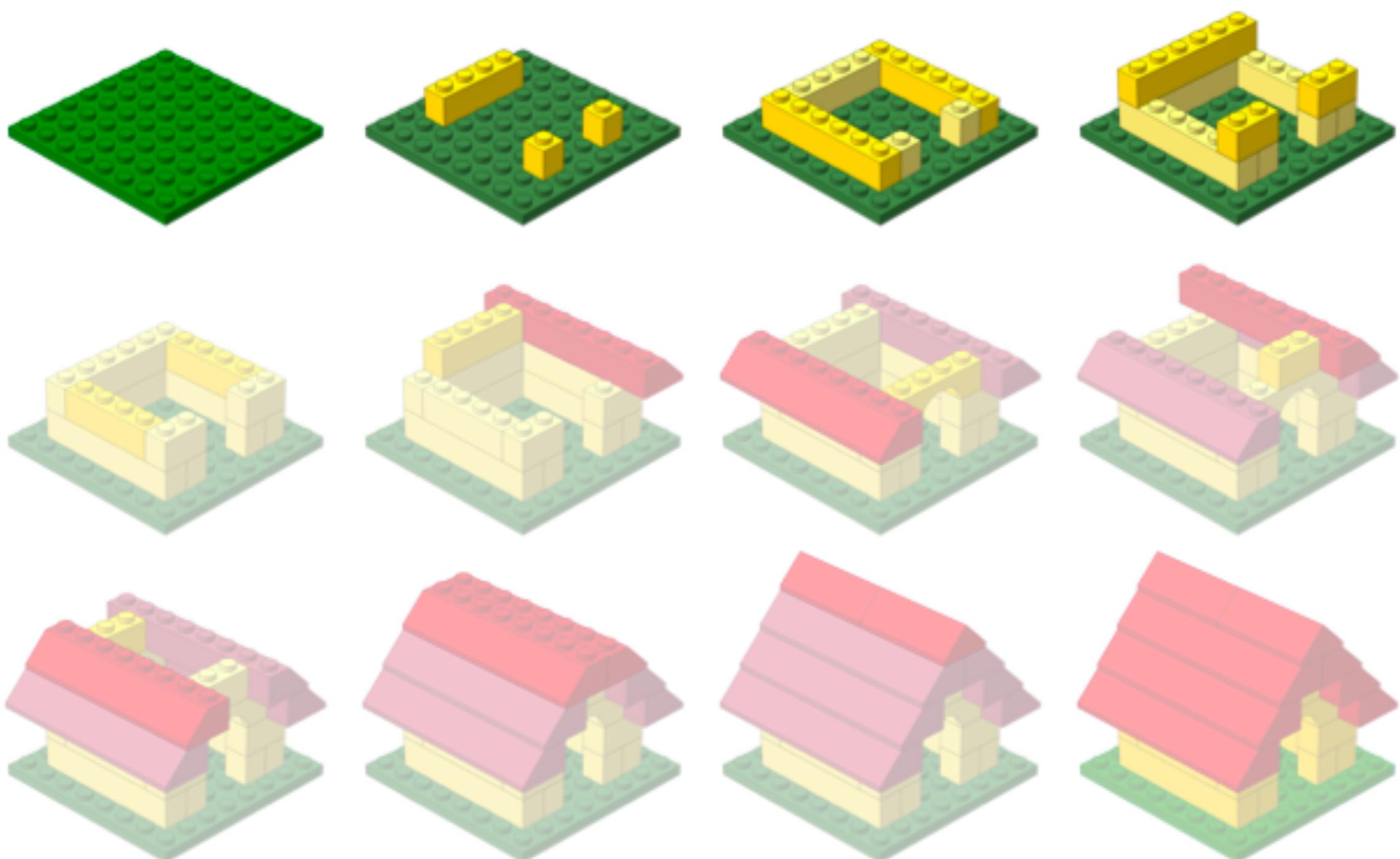


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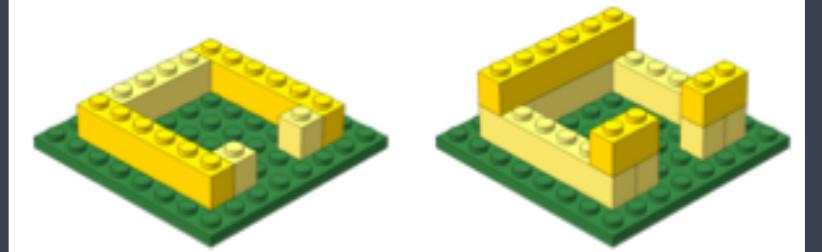
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Nanocourse Scope...



Learning R

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CRAN

(Comprehensive R Archive Network)



Available CRAN Packages By Name

[A](#) [B](#) [C](#) [D](#) [E](#) [F](#) [G](#) [H](#) [I](#) [J](#) [K](#) [L](#) [M](#) [N](#) [O](#) [P](#) [Q](#) [R](#) [S](#) [T](#) [U](#) [V](#) [W](#) [X](#) [Y](#) [Z](#)

A3	Accurate, Adaptable, and Accessible Error Metrics for Predictive Models
abbyyR	Access to Abbyy Optical Character Recognition (OCR) API
abc	Tools for Approximate Bayesian Computation (ABC)
ABCanalysis	Computed ABC Analysis
abc.data	Data Only: Tools for Approximate Bayesian Computation (ABC)
abcdeFBA	ABCDE_FBA: A-Biologist-Can-Do-Everything of Flux Balance Analysis with this package
ABCOptim	Implementation of Artificial Bee Colony (ABC) Optimization
ABCp2	Approximate Bayesian Computational Model for Estimating P2
abcrf	Approximate Bayesian Computation via Random Forests

*CRAN
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About R
R Homepage
The R Journal*

- The main repository for R packages
- Easy to install

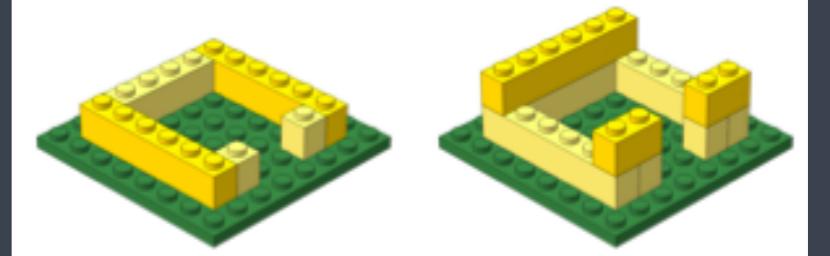
<https://cran.r-project.org/>



- An alternative package repository; “..provides tools for the analysis and comprehension of *high-throughput genomic data*.”
- Includes (but is not limited to) tools for:
 - performing statistical analysis
 - accessing public datasets
- Open source and open development
- Free

www.bioconductor.org

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- ✓ Visualize data using *ggplot2*
- ✓ Utilize pipes, tibbles and functions from the Tidyverse package suite

Logistics

Course webpage

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Course schedule online

Workshop Schedule

Day 1

Time	Topic	Instructor
10:00 - 10:30	Workshop Introduction	Jihe
10:30 - 11:45	Introduction to R and RStudio	Radhika
11:45 - 12:00	Overview of self-learning materials and homework submission	Mary

Before the next class:

1. Please **study the contents** and **work through all the code** within the following lessons:
 - o [R Syntax and Data Structure](#)
 - o [Functions and Arguments](#)
 - o [Reading in and inspecting data](#)
2. **Complete the exercises:**
 - o Each lesson above contain exercises; please go through each of them.
 - o **Copy over** your code from the exercises into a text file.
 - o **Upload the saved text file** to [Dropbox](#) the **day before the next class**.

Course materials online



Introduction to R

[View on GitHub](#)

Approximate time: 70 min

Learning Objectives

- Employ variables in R.
- Describe the various data types used in R.
- Construct data structures to store data.

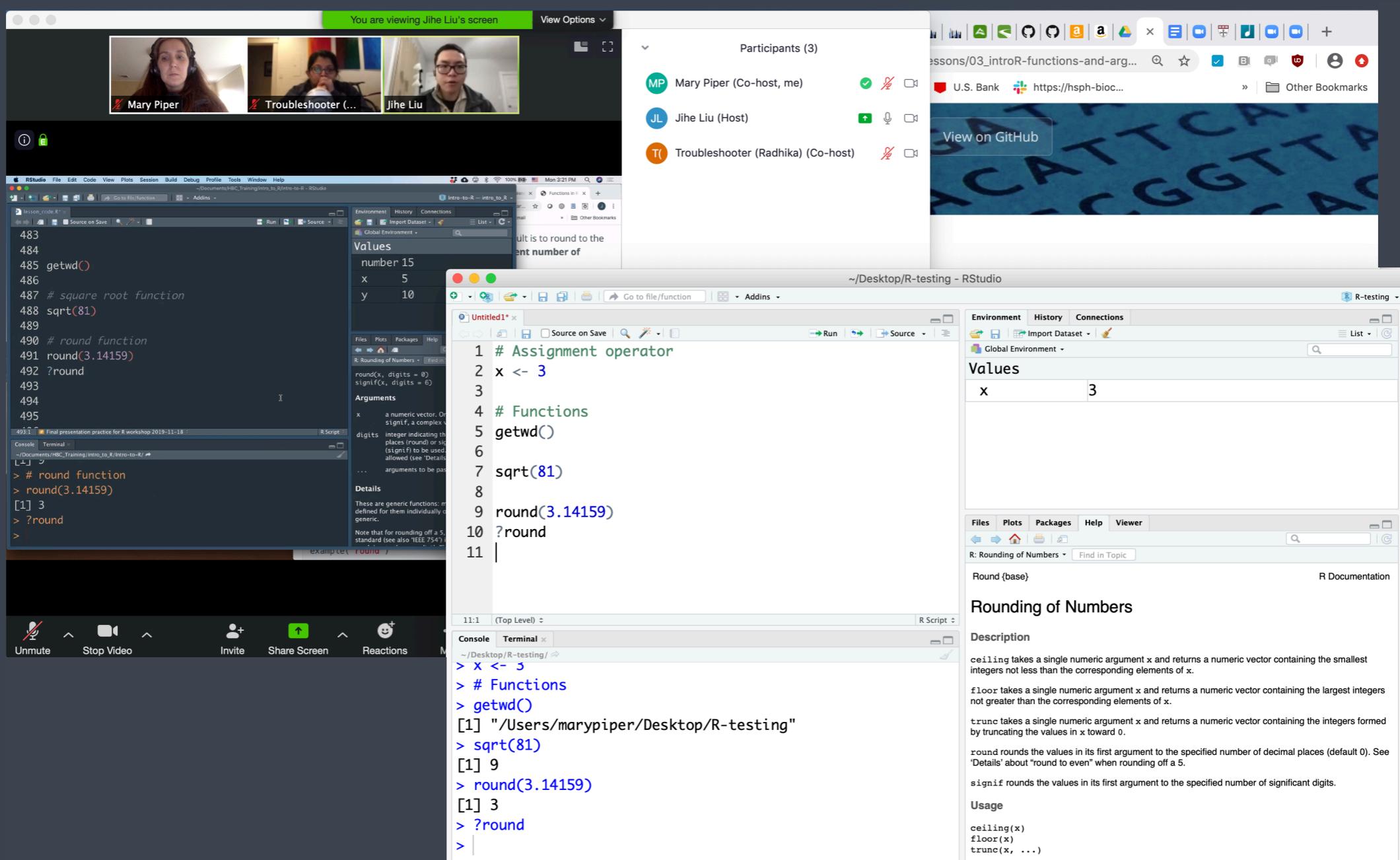
The R syntax

Now that we know how to talk with R via the script editor or the console, we want to use R for something more than adding numbers. To do this, we need to know more about the R syntax.

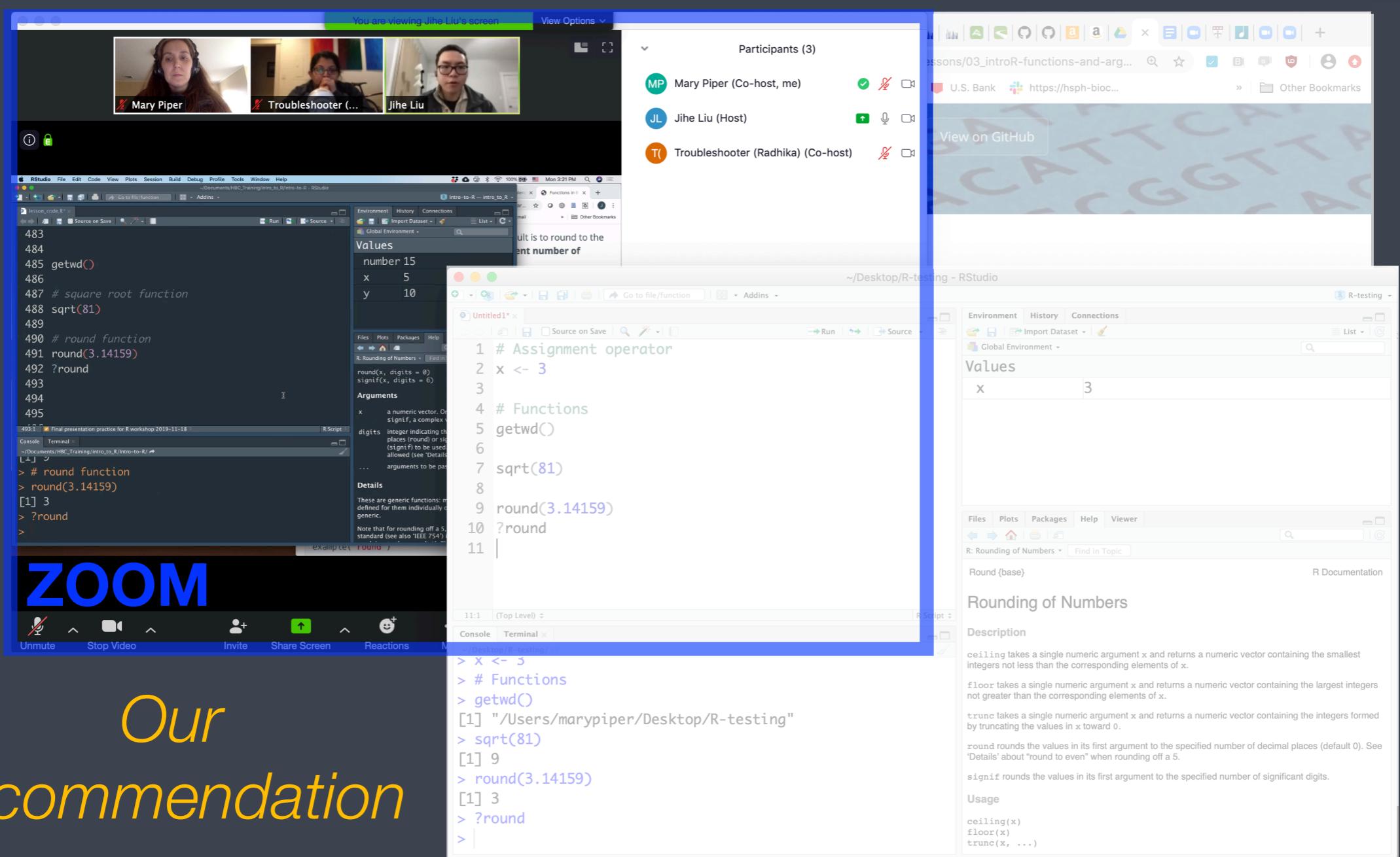
Below is an example script highlighting the many different “parts of speech” for R (syntax):

- the **comments** `#` and how they are used to document function and its content
- **variables and functions**
- the **assignment operator** `<-`

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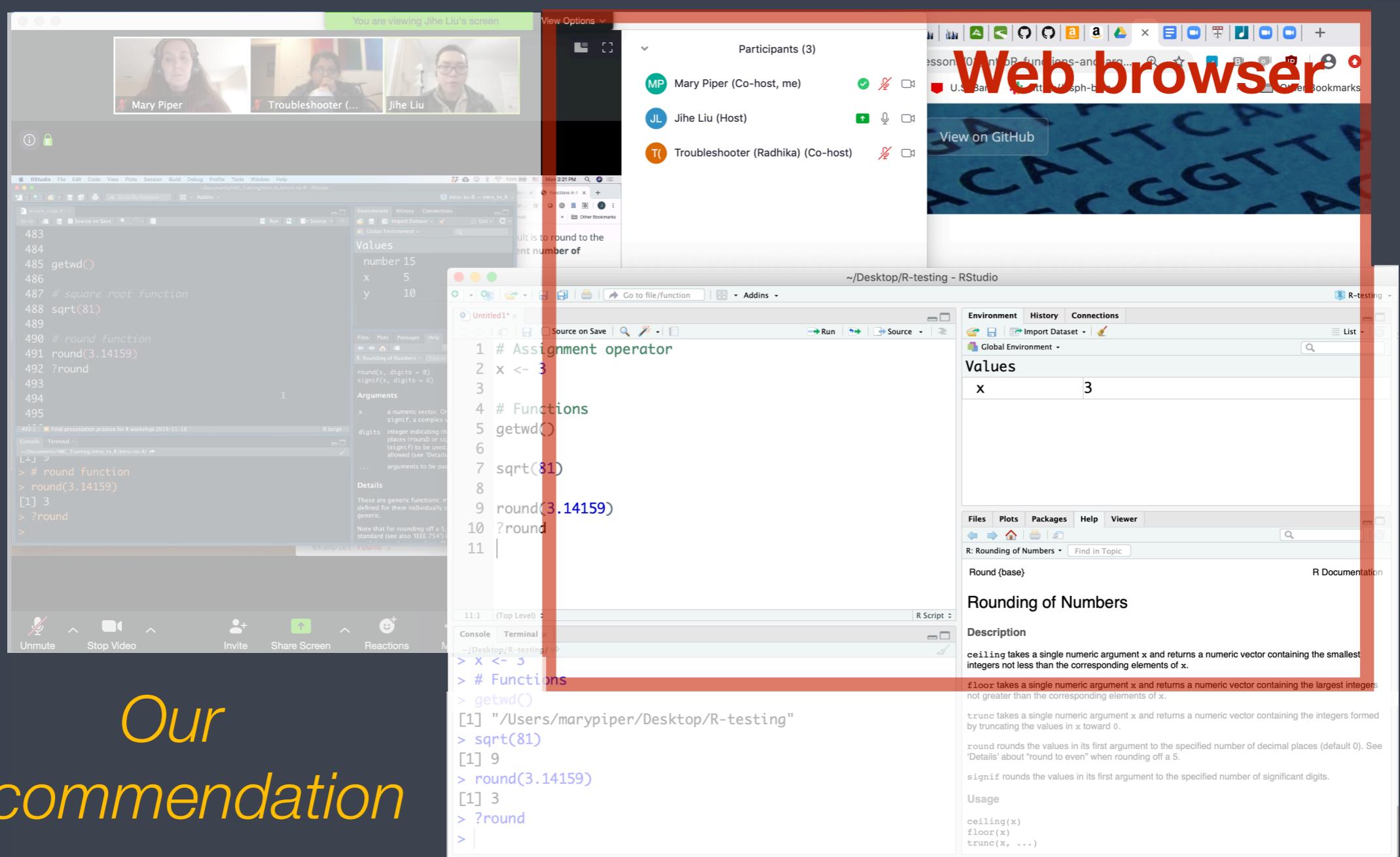


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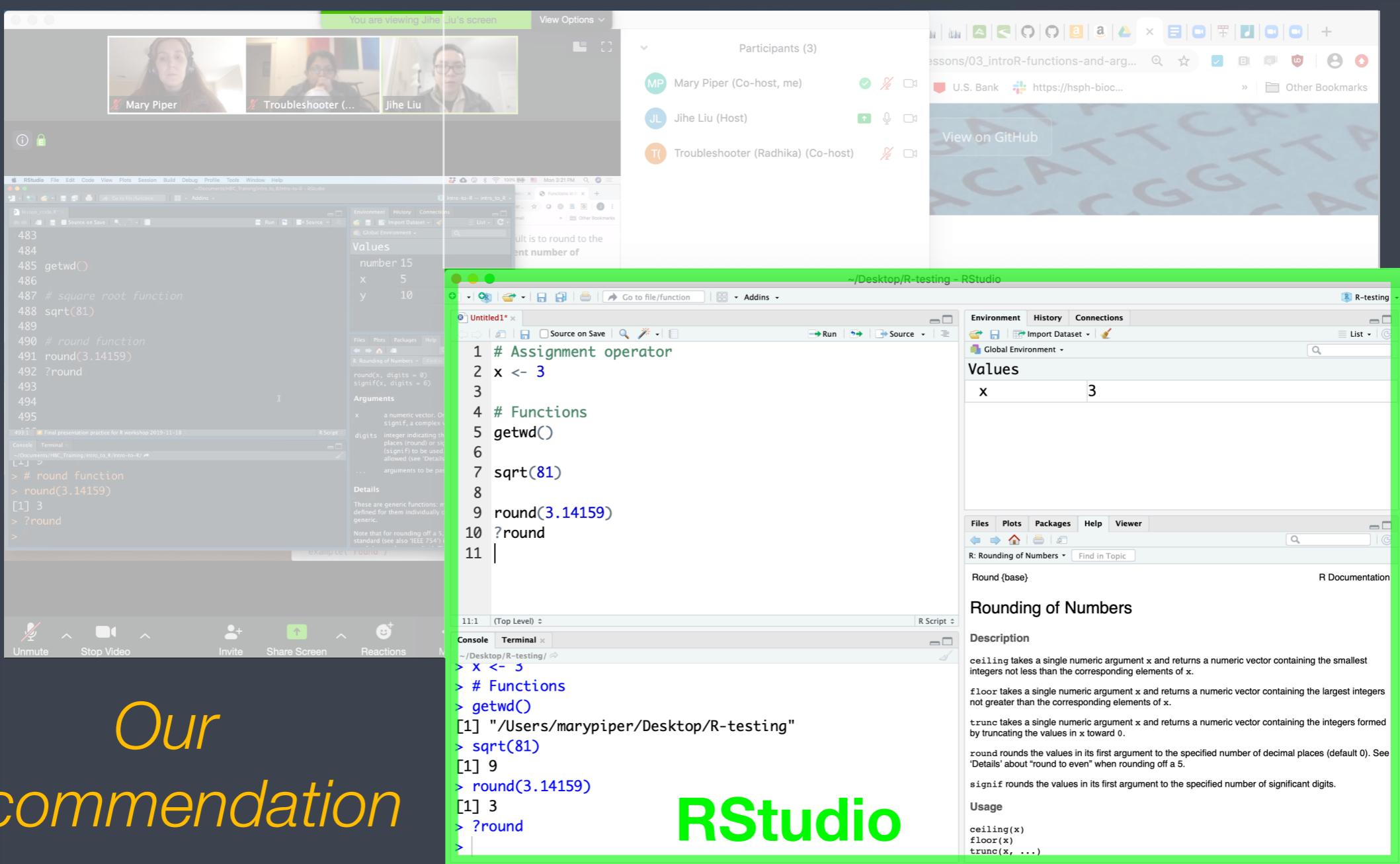
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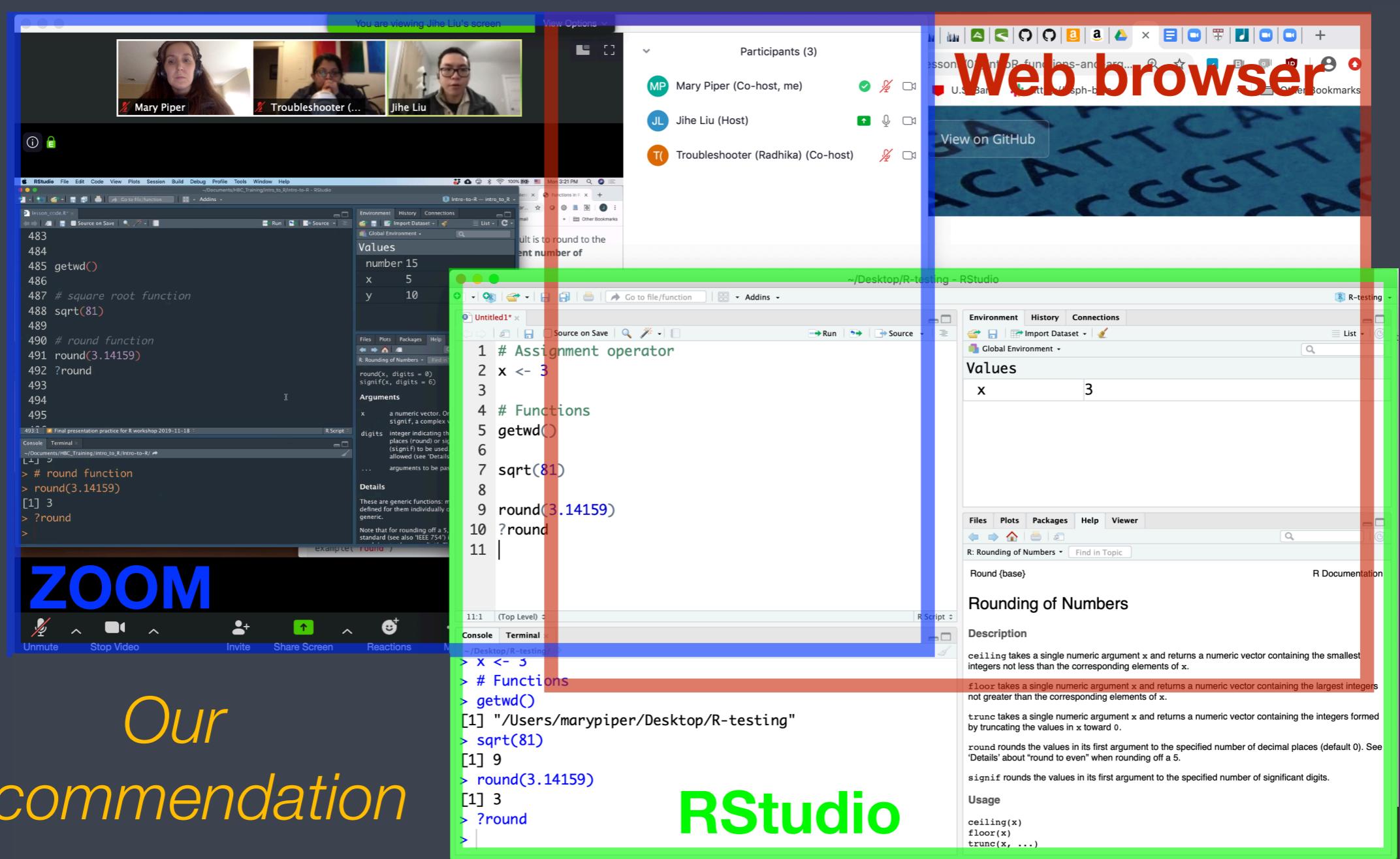


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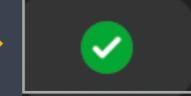


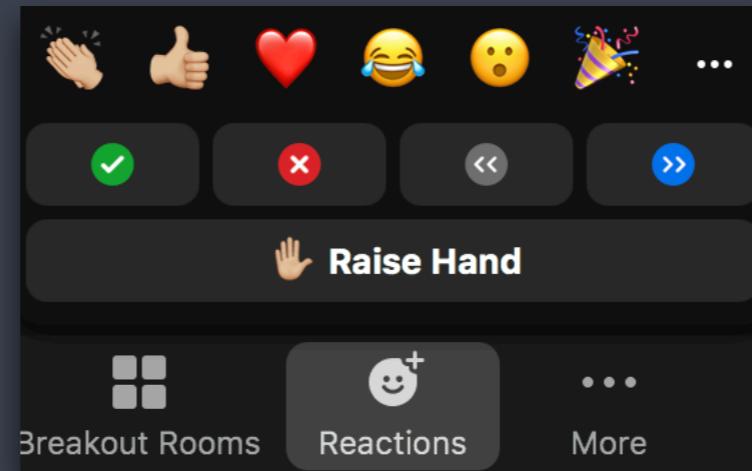
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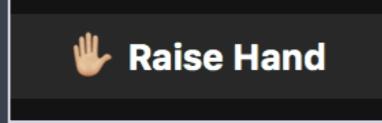
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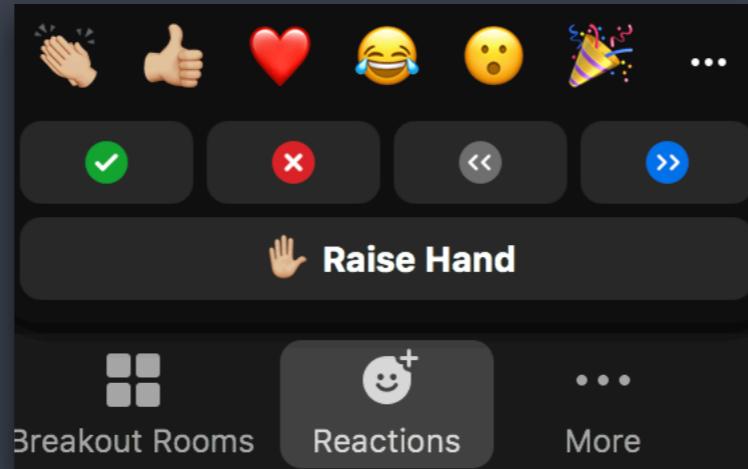
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- ❖ Are you all set?
 - ▶  = "agree", "I'm all set" (equivalent to a **green post-it**)
 - ▶  = "disagree", "I need help" (equivalent to a **red post-it**)



Odds and Ends (2/2)

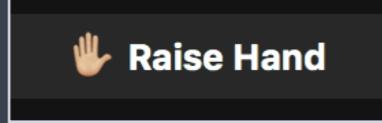
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- ❖ Technical difficulties with RStudio or R?

- Start a private chat with the Troubleshooter with a description of the problem.

Credit Considerations

- ❖ To receive credit for this course:
 - ❖ Attend all sessions in their entirety
 - ❖ Complete all self-learning exercises

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