SA-TIED Geospatial Analysis Workshop

Overview

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Objectives

We will explore the following topics:

- Fundamentals of using R for data analysis .
- Creating thematic maps using R.
- Quantifying the degree of spatial dependence in a dataset.
- Incorporating space into statistical models.

Schedule

Day 1 – Morning	R for Data Analysis
Day 1 – Afternoon	R for Spatial Analysis
Day 2 – Morning	Spatial Autocorrelation
Day 2 – Afternoon	Spatial Models

Background

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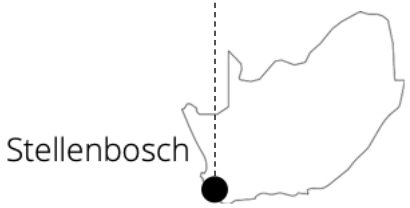

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S01 – R for Data Analysis

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This session

- What is a programming language?
- A gentle introduction to working with R.
- Why use R for data analysis?

Programming languages

- Consist of a formal set of instructions that you can use to write software or perform computational tasks.
- Require users to write code, which involves typing commands in a text-based environment.
- Are highly flexible and powerful, allowing for custom solutions, automation, and complex operations.

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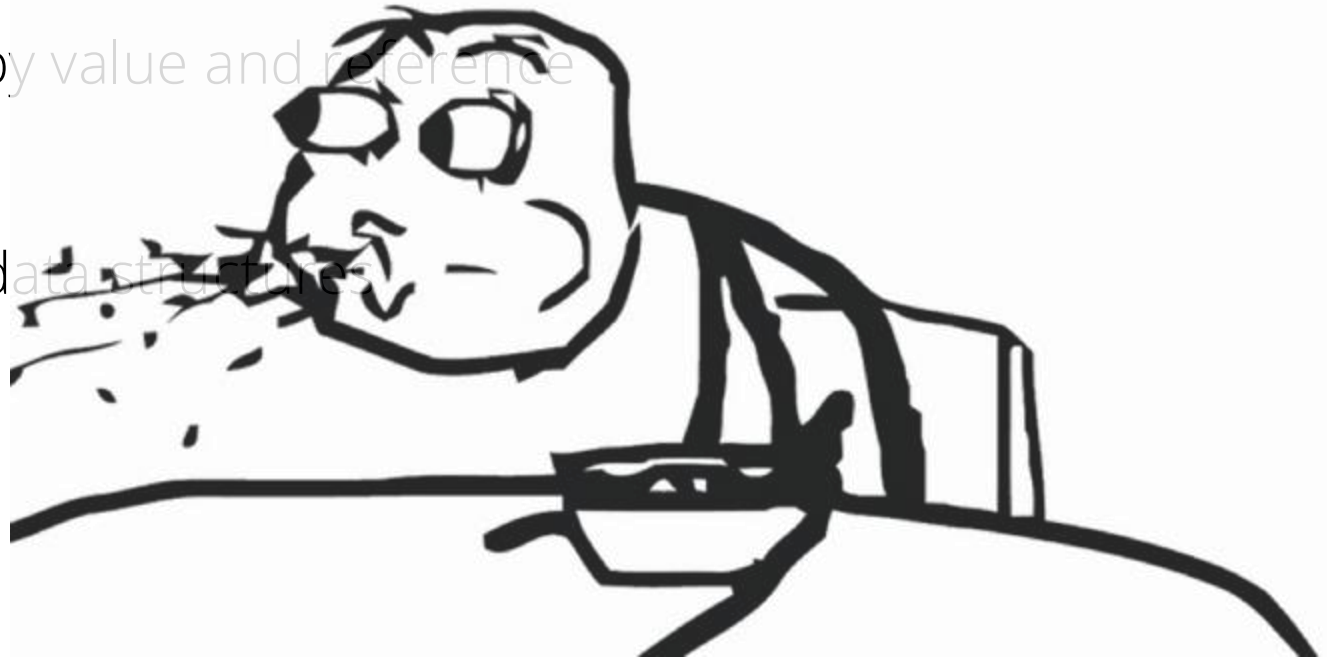


Programming languages

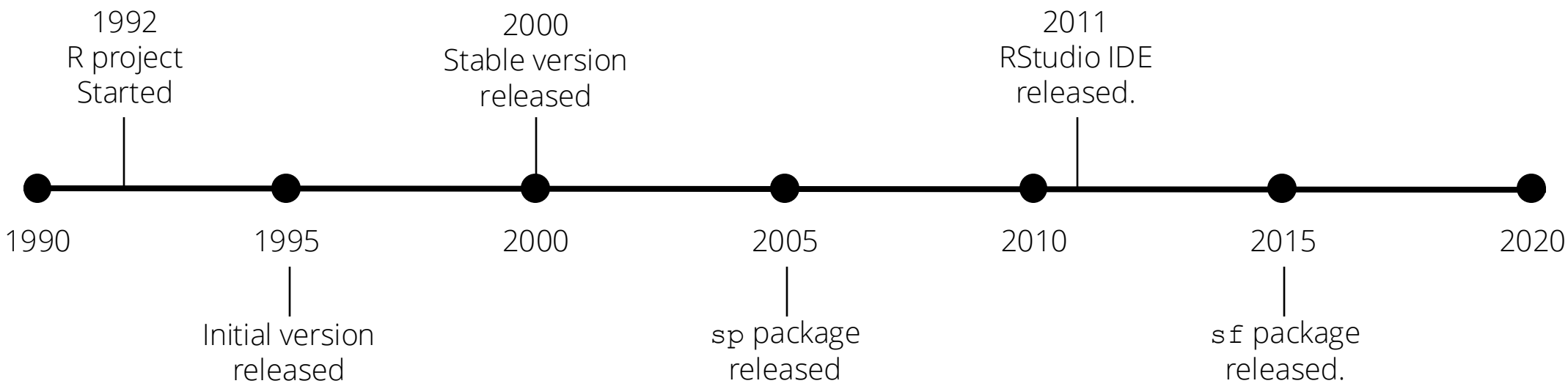
- Ιδεντιφιερς ανδ πριμιτιfε δατα τψπες
- Ασσιγνμεντ, αριτημετιξ, λογιξαλ ανδ ρελατιοναλ οπερατορς
- Εχπρεσσιον ανδ στατεμεντς, δεβυγγινγ
- Φλοω οφ ξοντρολ· σελεξτιον ανδ ρεπετιτιον
- Φυνξτιονς, παραμετερς πασσινγ, ξαλλ βψ αfλυε ανδ ρεφερενξε
- Οβσεξτ-οριεντεδ προγραμμινγ
- 1/2 διμενσιοναλ αρραψς, στρινγς ανδ δατα στρυξτυρες

The absolute basics

- R is primarily used through interactive command-line interfaces and scripts.
- R efficiently handles various data types, particularly vectors and tables.
- R's functionality can be extended through a vast ecosystem of packages.
- R is the programming language, but we can interact with it using other software.
- R is free and open source.

A little history

- R is programming language originally developed for statistical purposes.
- 1975: Bell Labs develops a language for Statistical Analysis (“S”).
- 1992: Ross Ihaka and Robert Gentleman develop opensource version of “S”.



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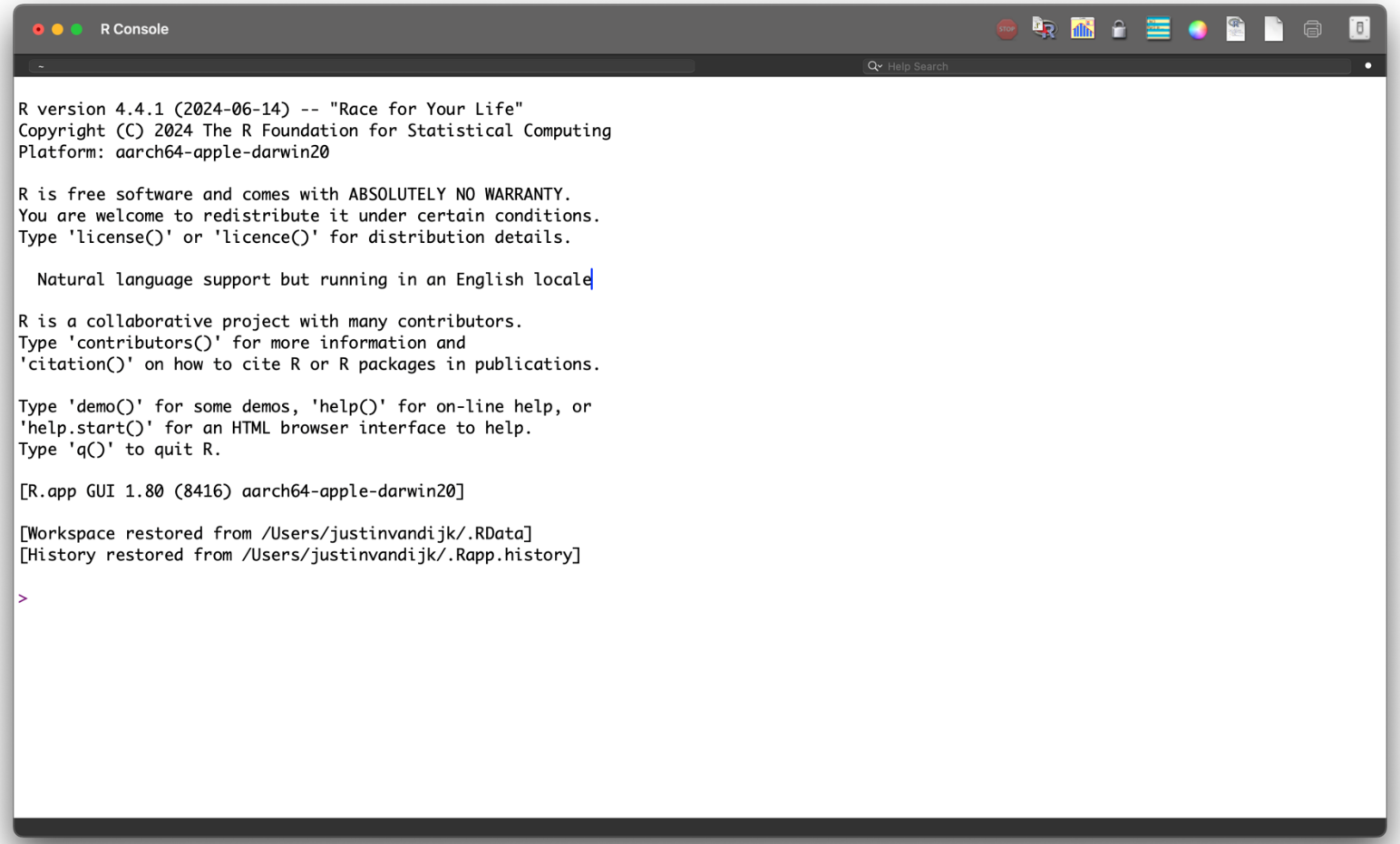

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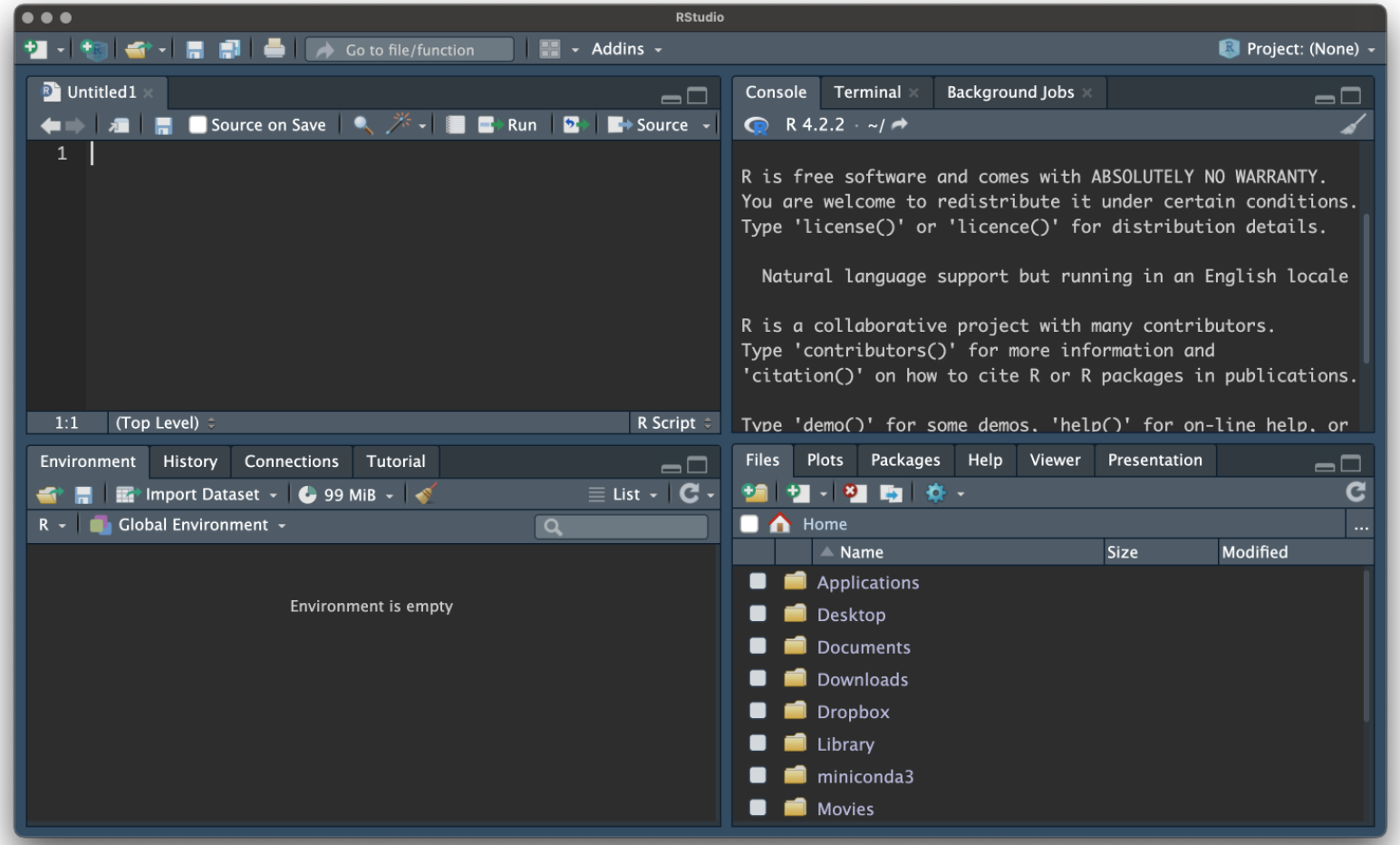

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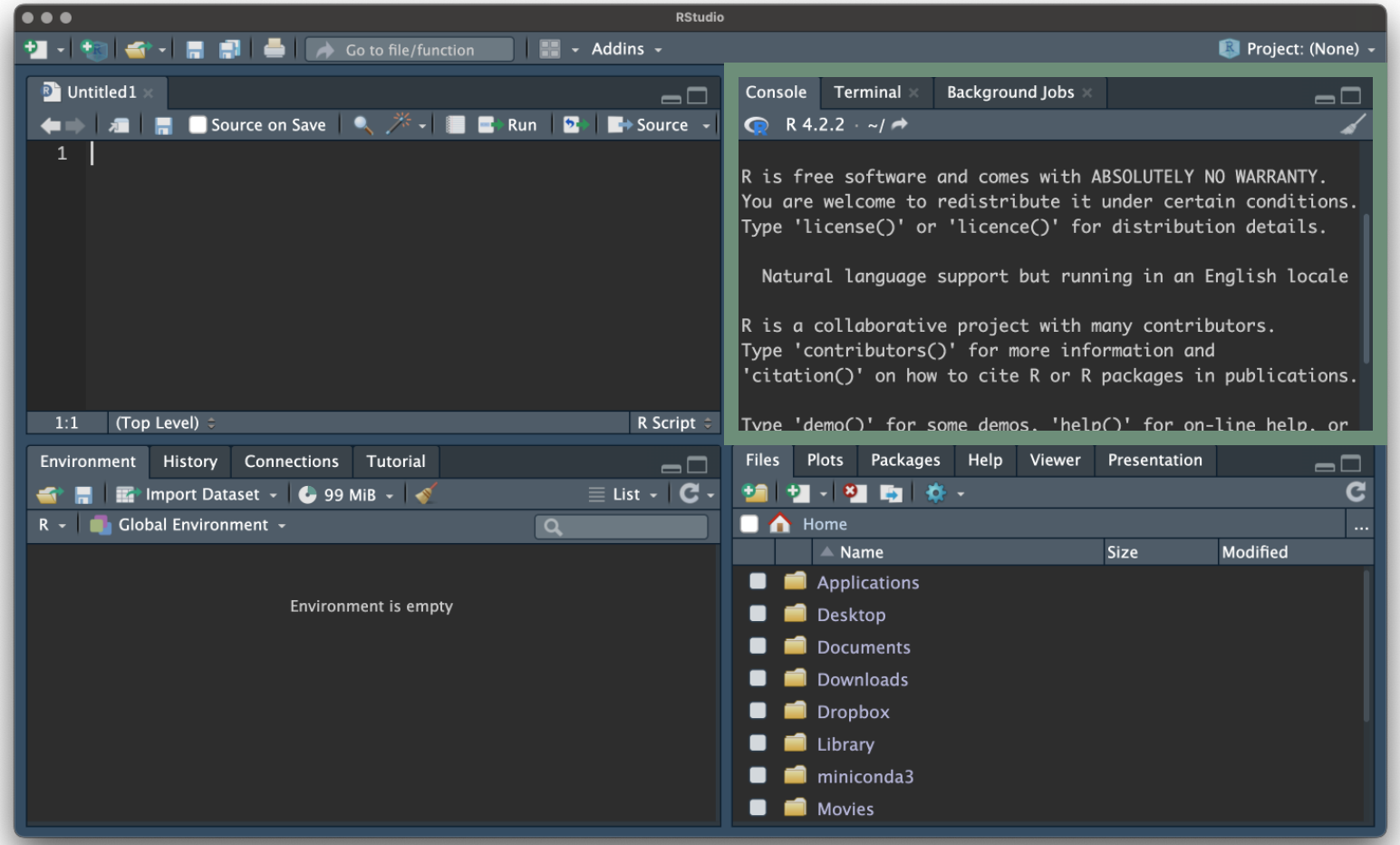

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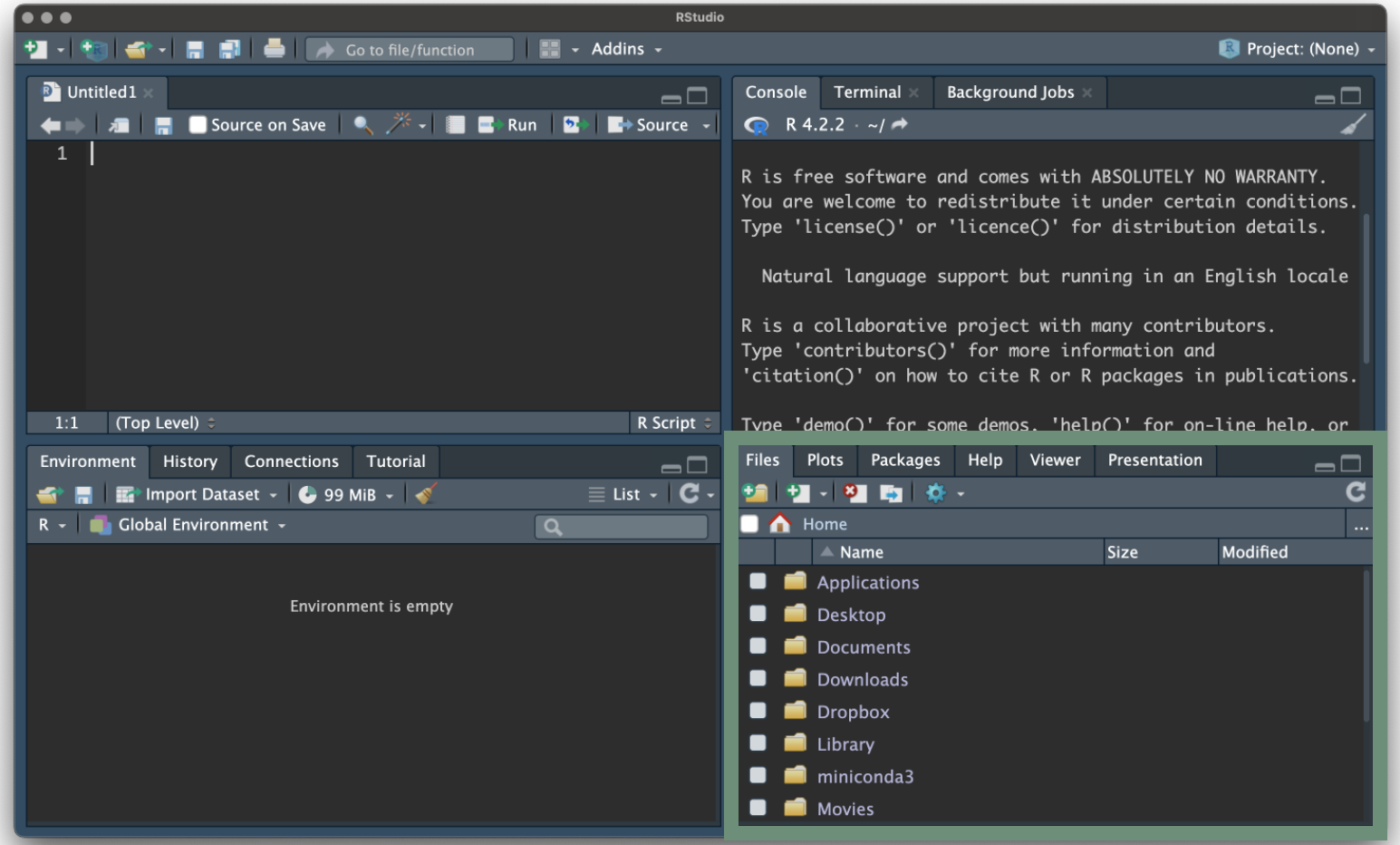

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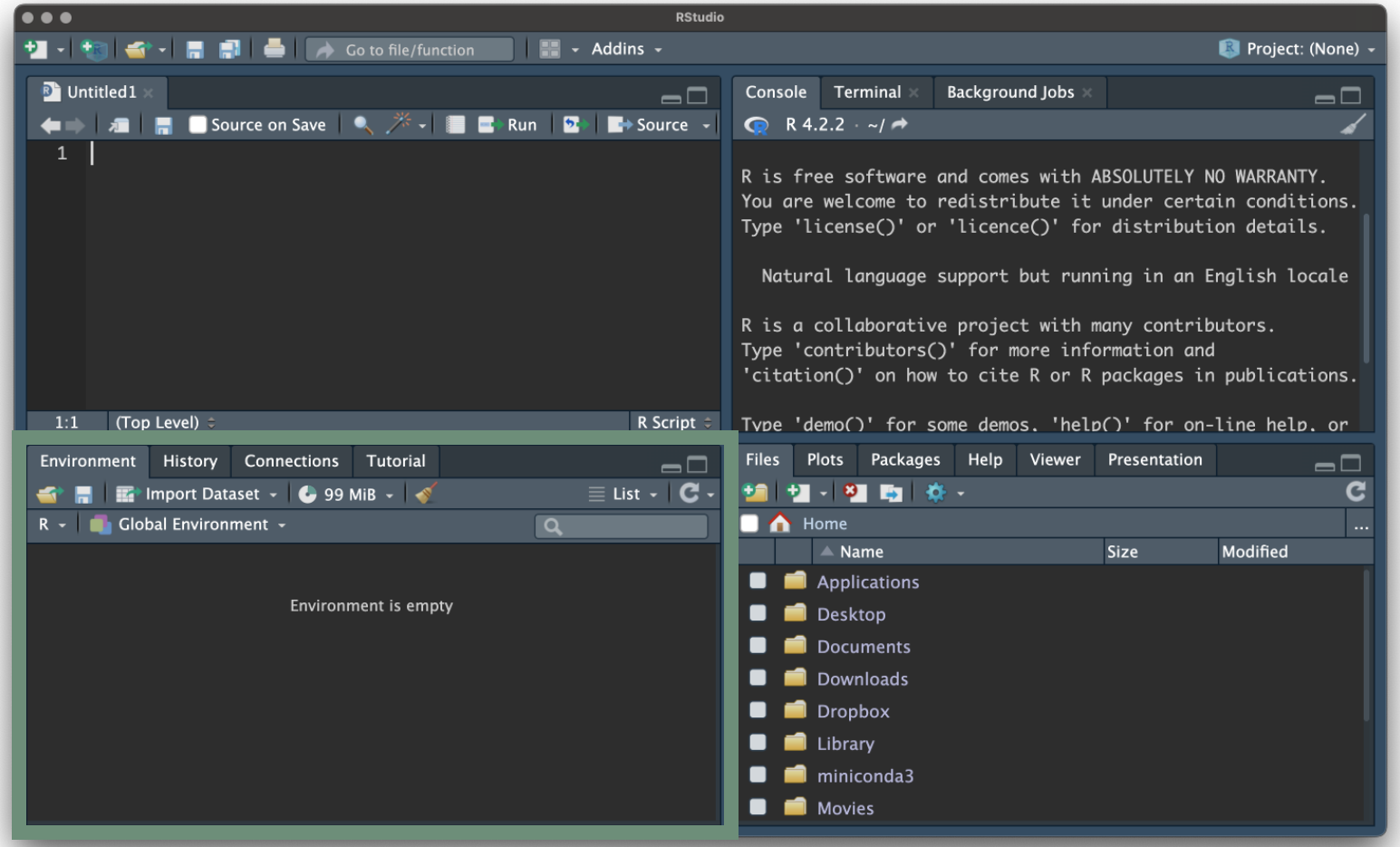

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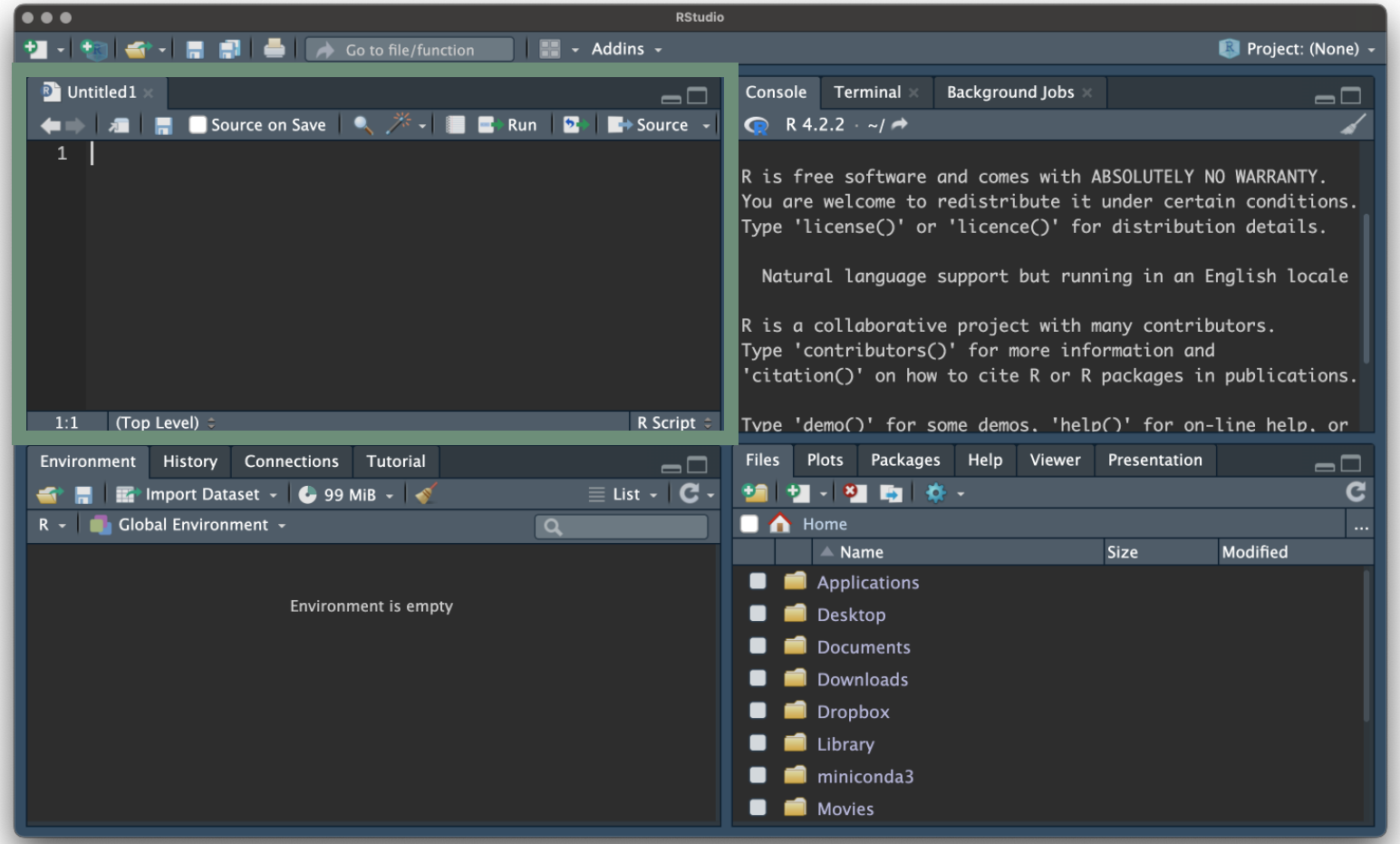

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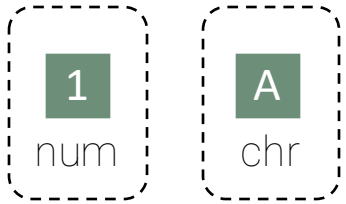

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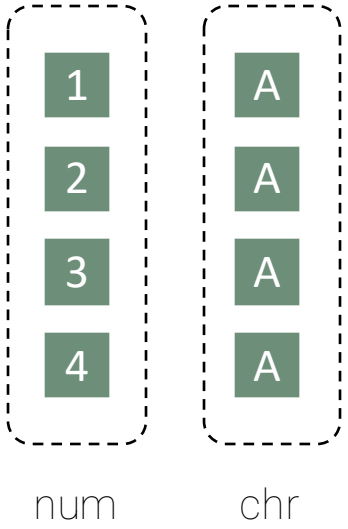

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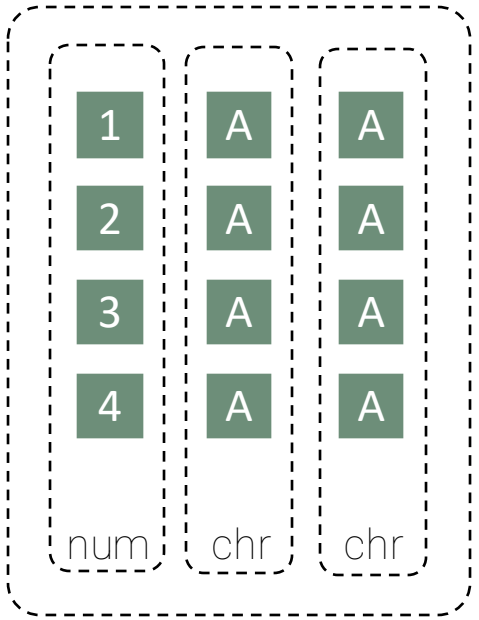

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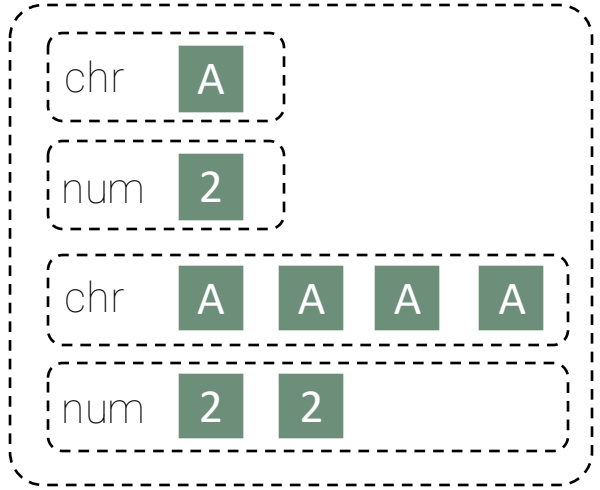


List

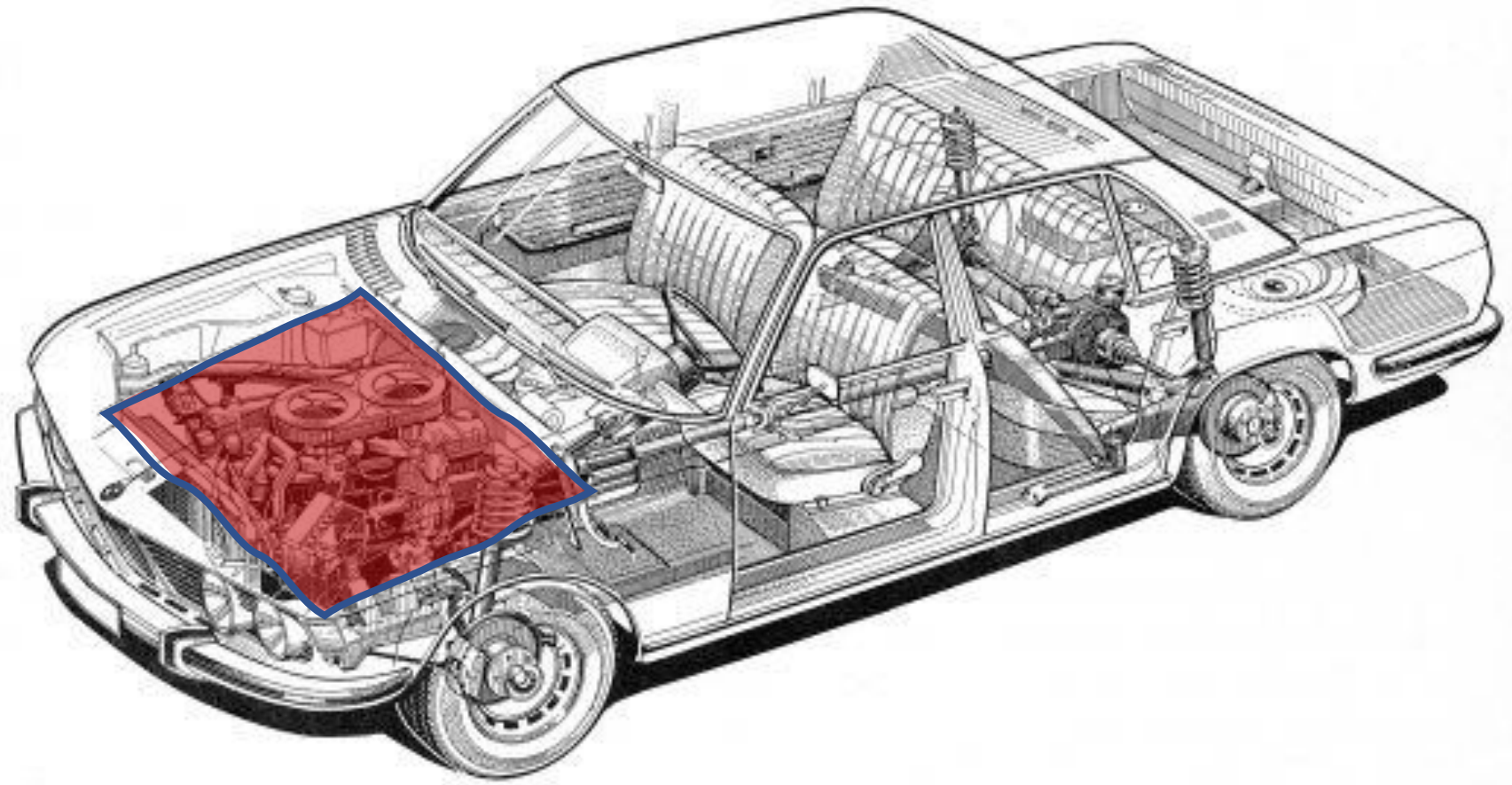
Principles of R: Variables

- All scalars, vectors, tables, and lists can be assigned to a variable.
- Variables are used to store information to be referenced and manipulated in a computer programme.

Principles of R: Functions

- Variables can be used as an input for functions.
- Functions are pieces of code designed to accomplish specific tasks.
- Once a function is written, it can be reused.

Principles of R: Extensions



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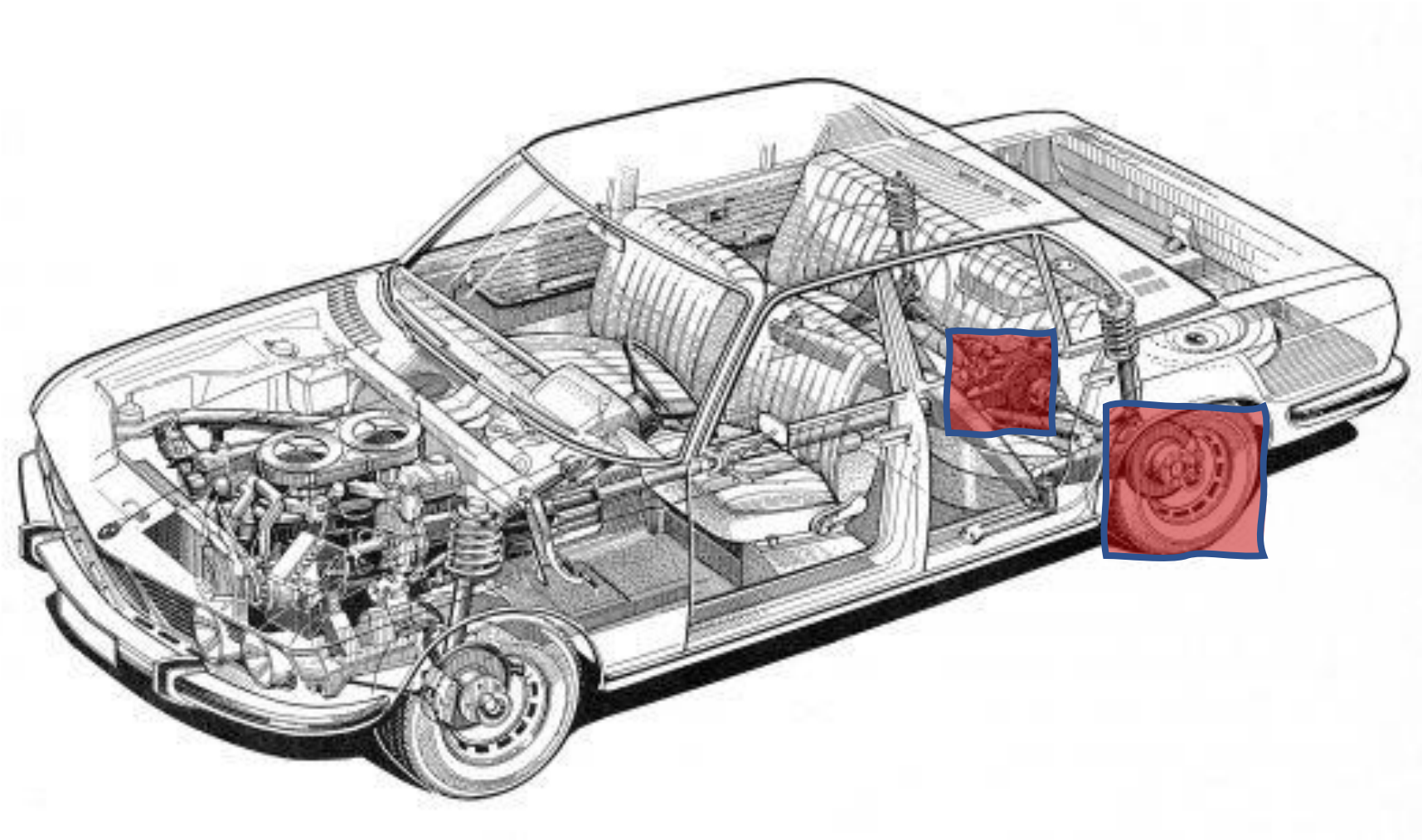

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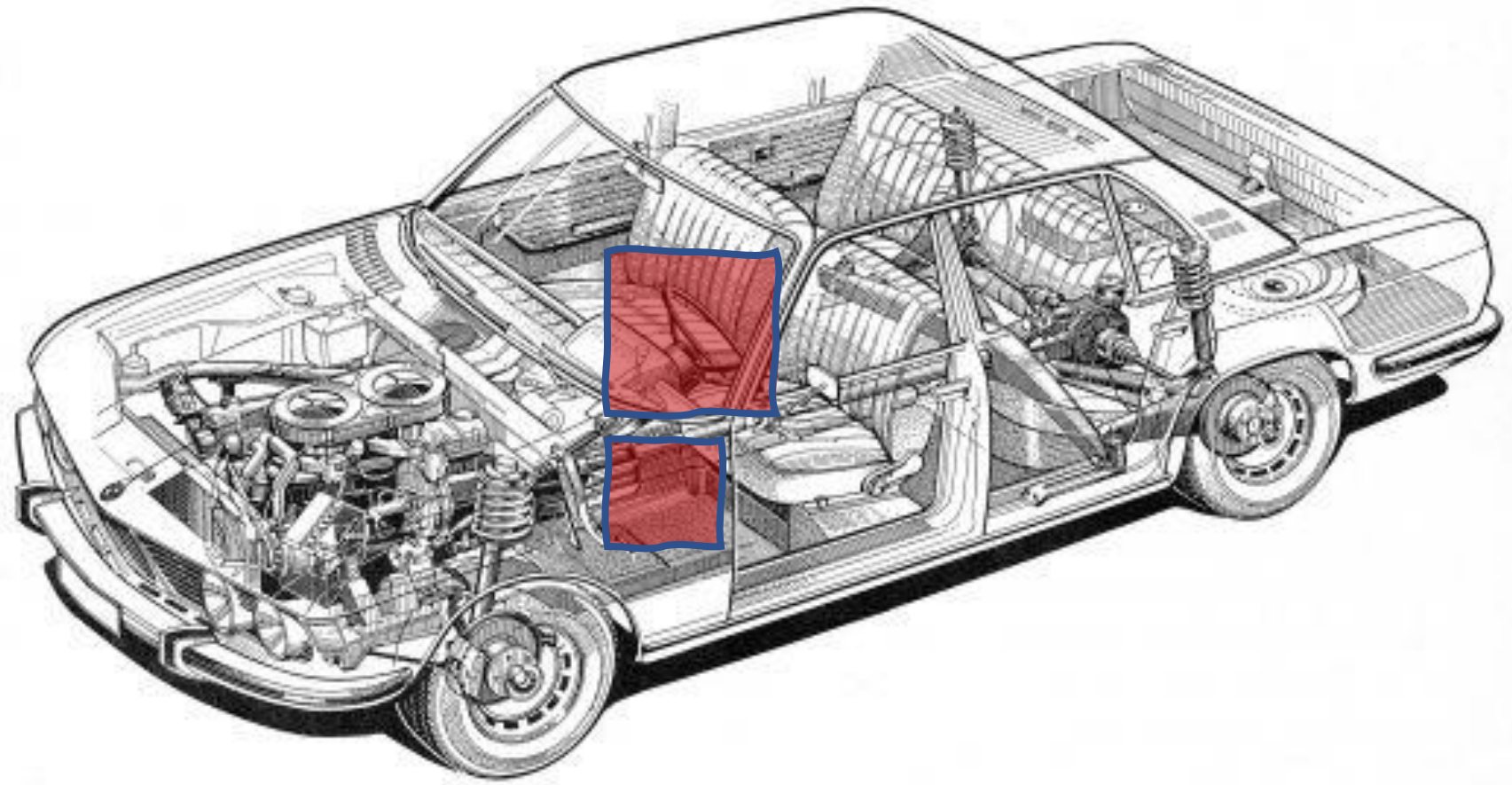
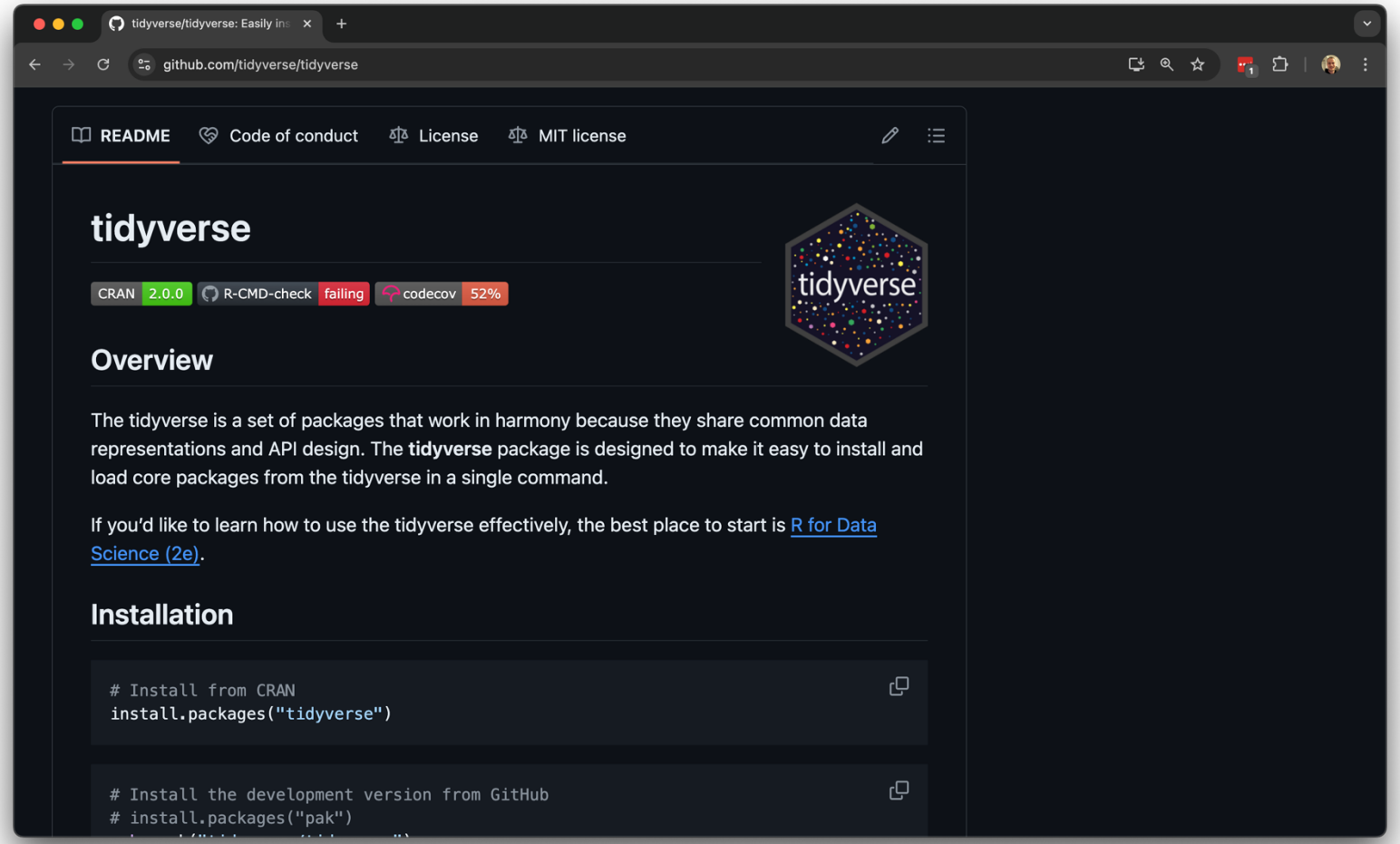


Principles of R: Extensions

- Available on The Comprehensive R Archive Network: CRAN
- CRAN is a repository for R packages and software.
- Currently CRAN features over 21,140 available packages (22/08/2024).
- Allows developers to submit and maintain their own R packages.

Tidyverse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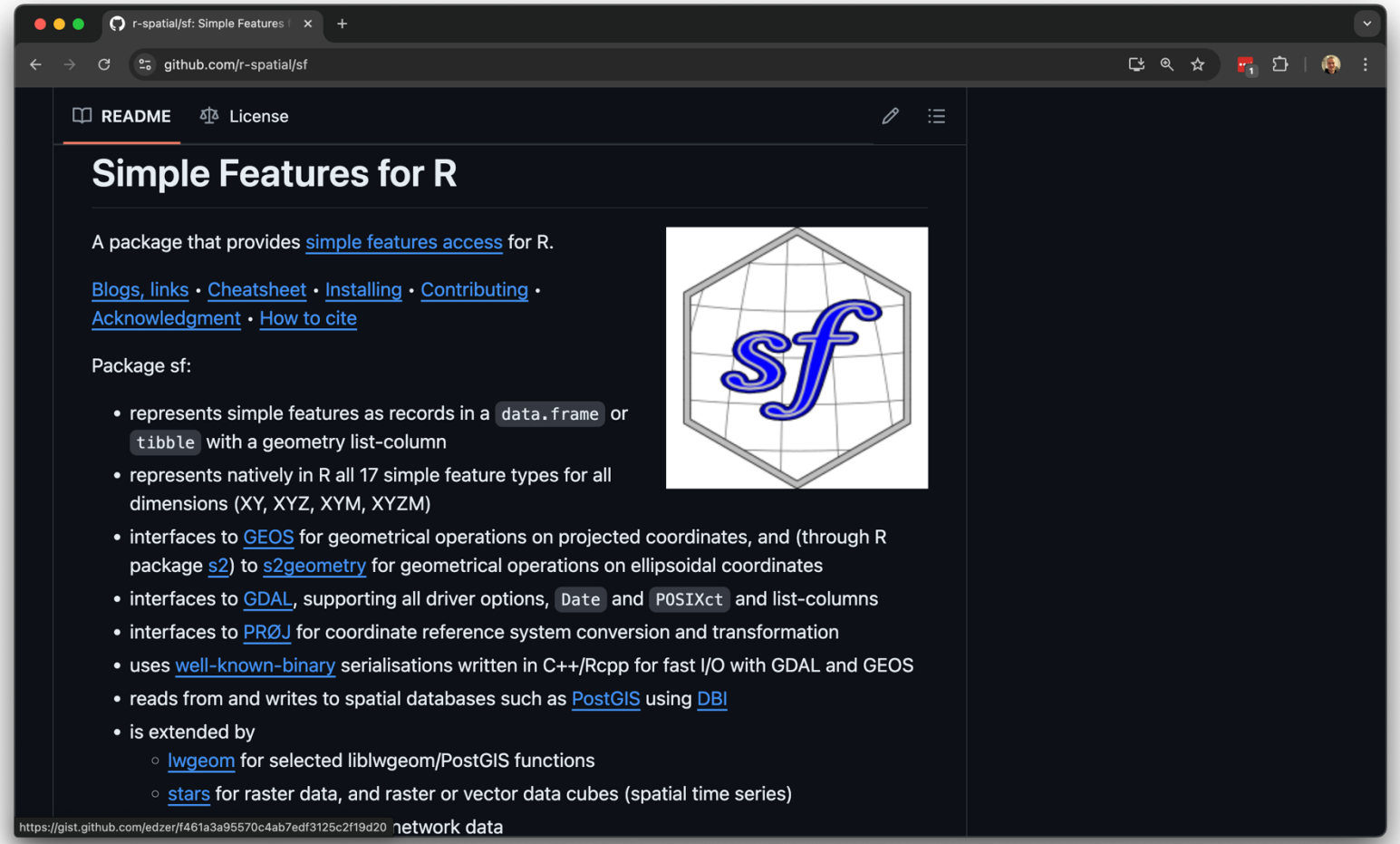
Overview
The tidyverse is a set of packages that work in harmony because they share common data representations and API design. The tidyverse package is designed to make it easy to install and load core packages from the tidyverse in a single command.
If you'd like to learn how to use the tidyverse effectively, the best place to start is R for Data Science (2e).
Installation
# Install from CRAN
install.packages("tidyverse")
# Install the development version from GitHub
# install.packages("pak")

Simple features



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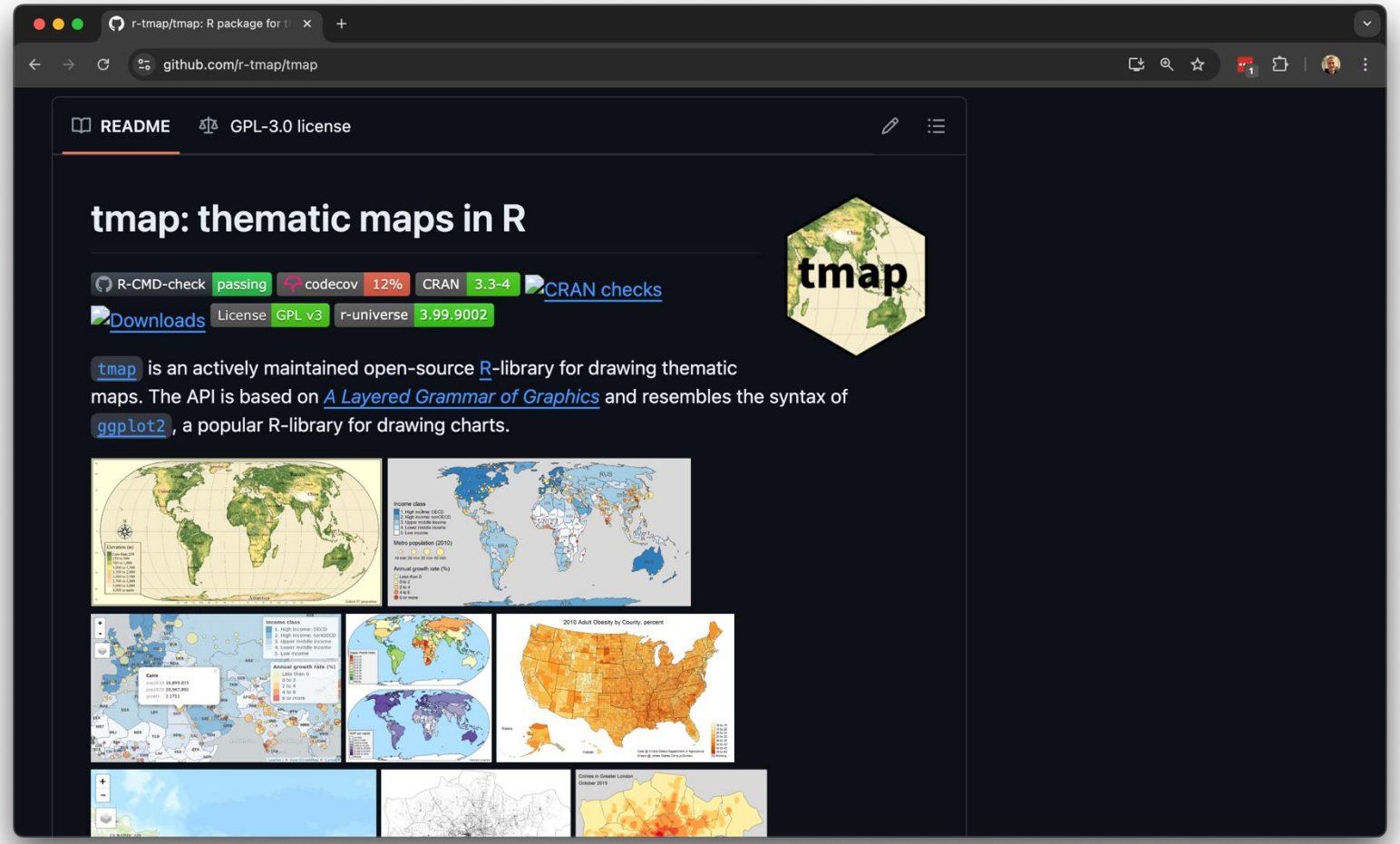
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tmap is an actively maintained open-source R-library for drawing thematic maps. The API is based on A Layered Grammar of Graphics and resembles the syntax of ggplot2, a popular R-library for drawing charts.

Reproducibility with R Markdown

- Markdown is a lightweight markup language designed for creating formatted text using a plain-text editor. It allows you to write in a simple, readable format that can be easily converted to HTML, PDF, or other formats.
- R Markdown extends Markdown by integrating R code with the text. This allows you to: embed code, execute code, create dynamic reports, format and typeset your content.

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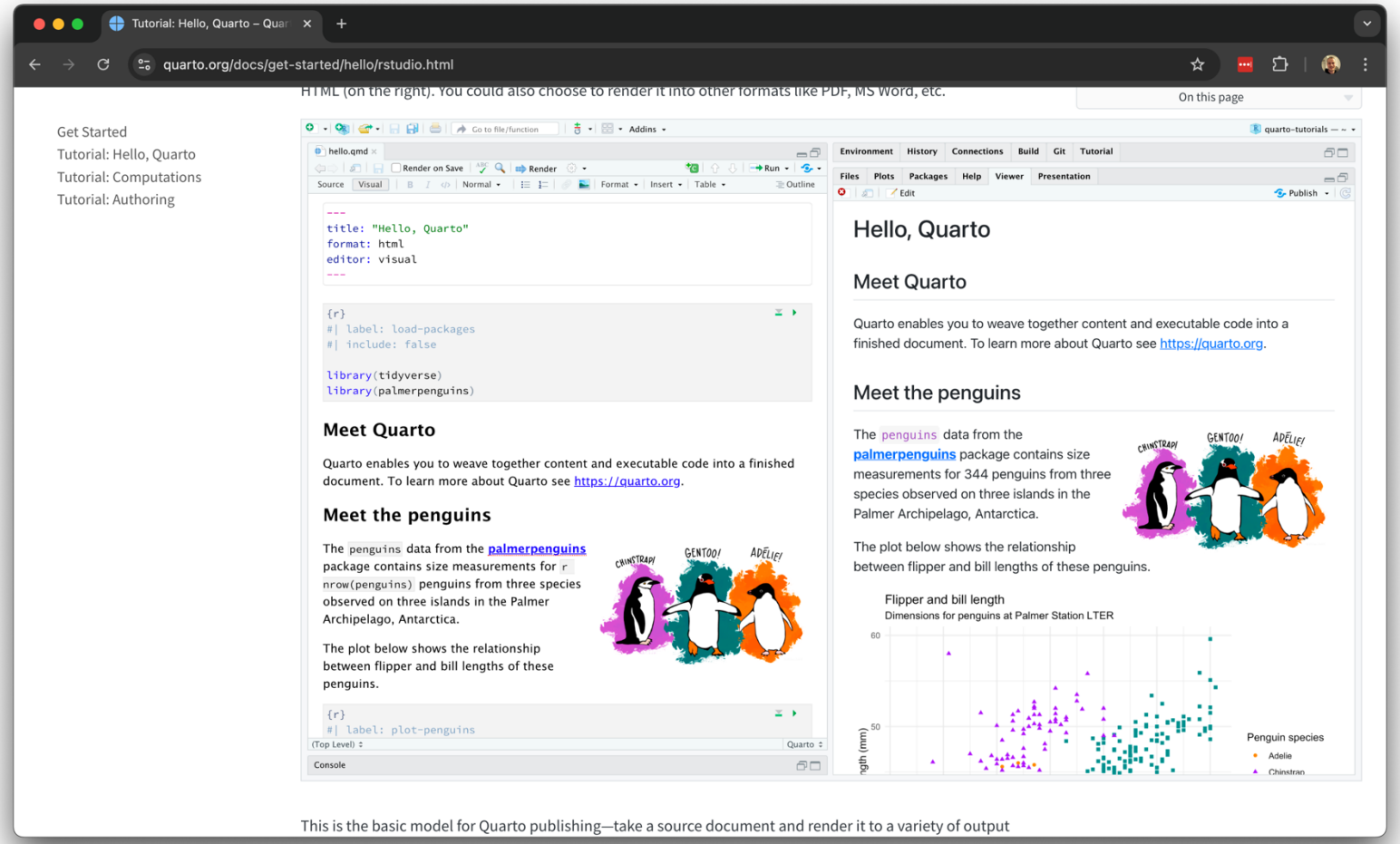

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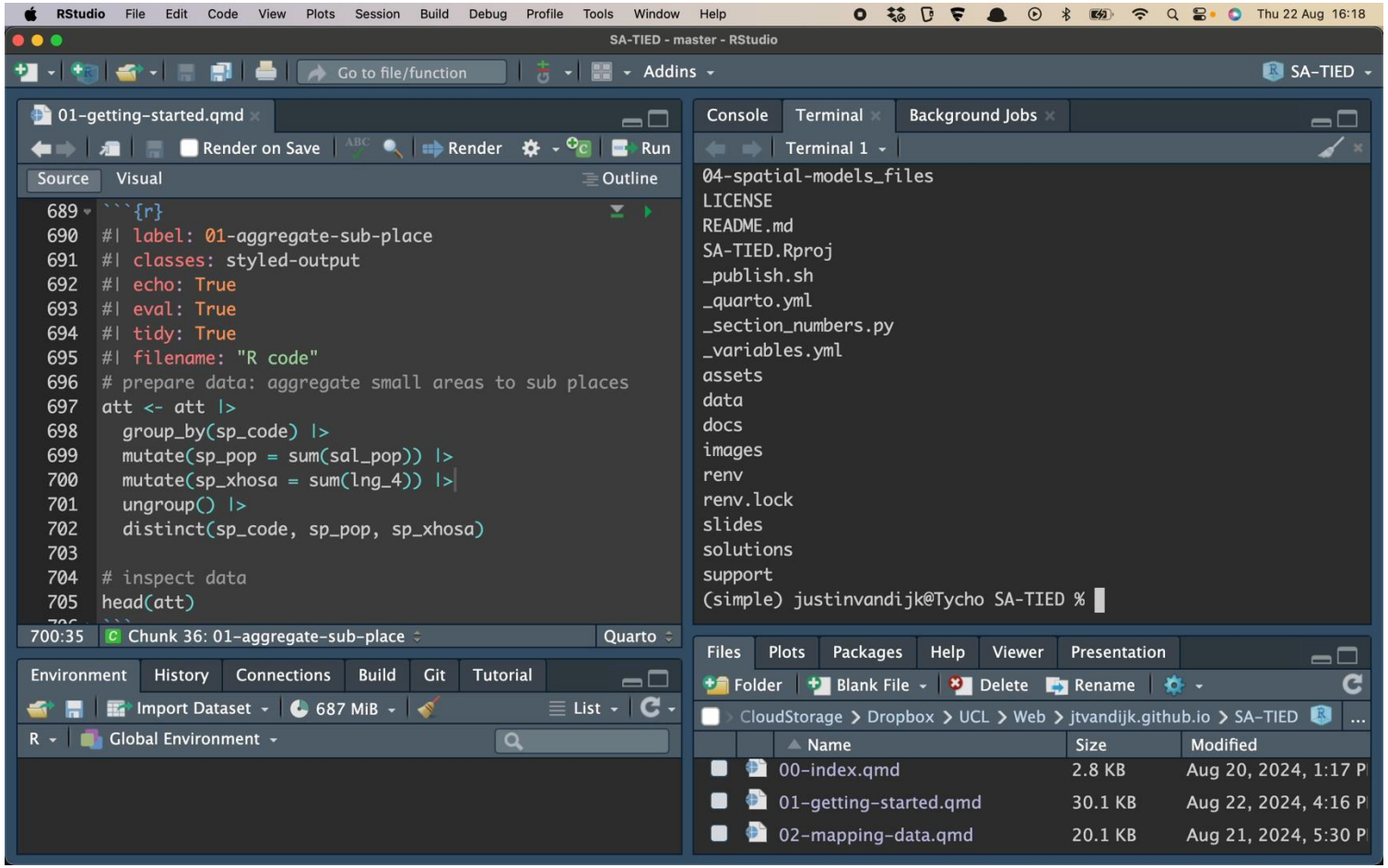

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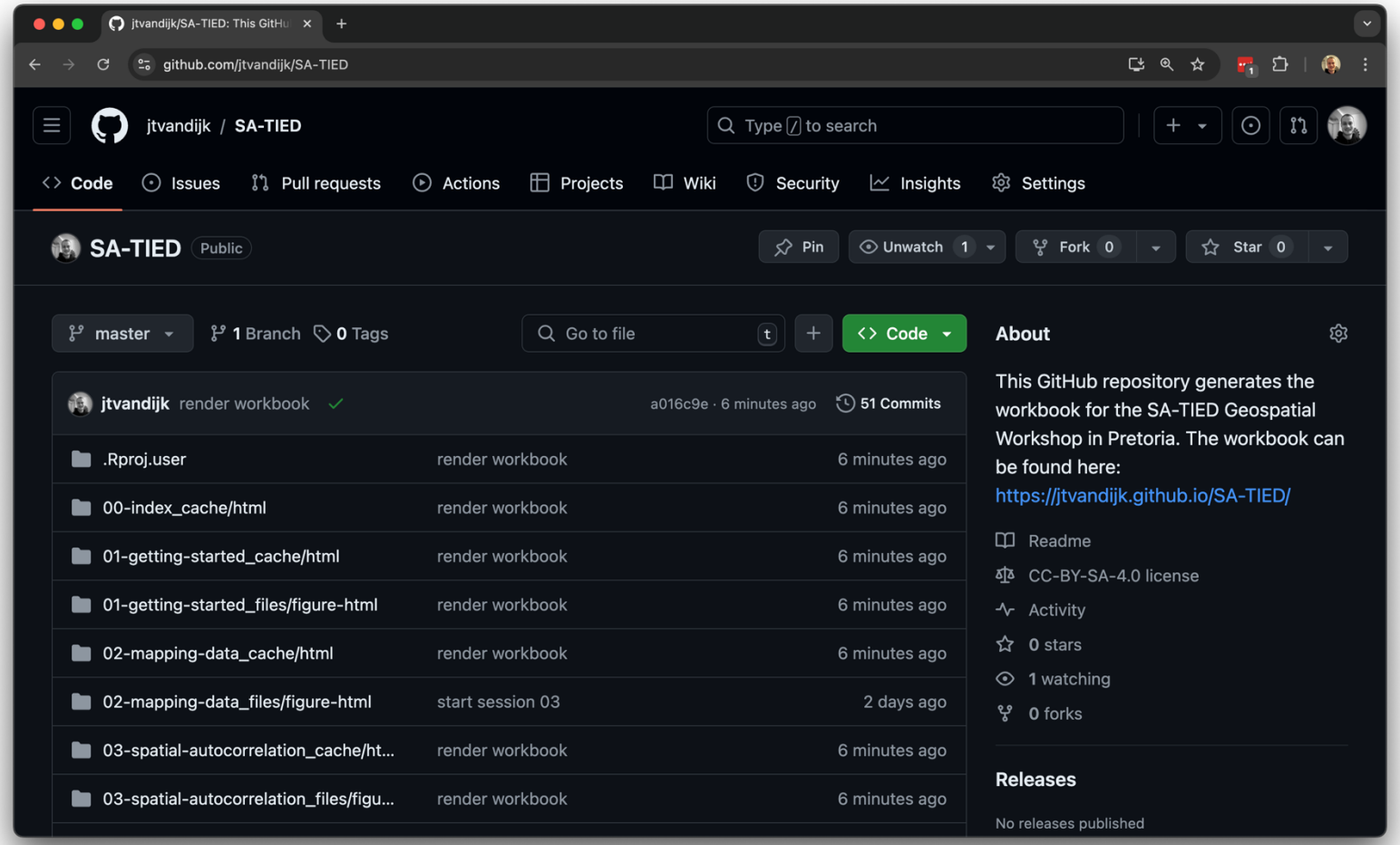

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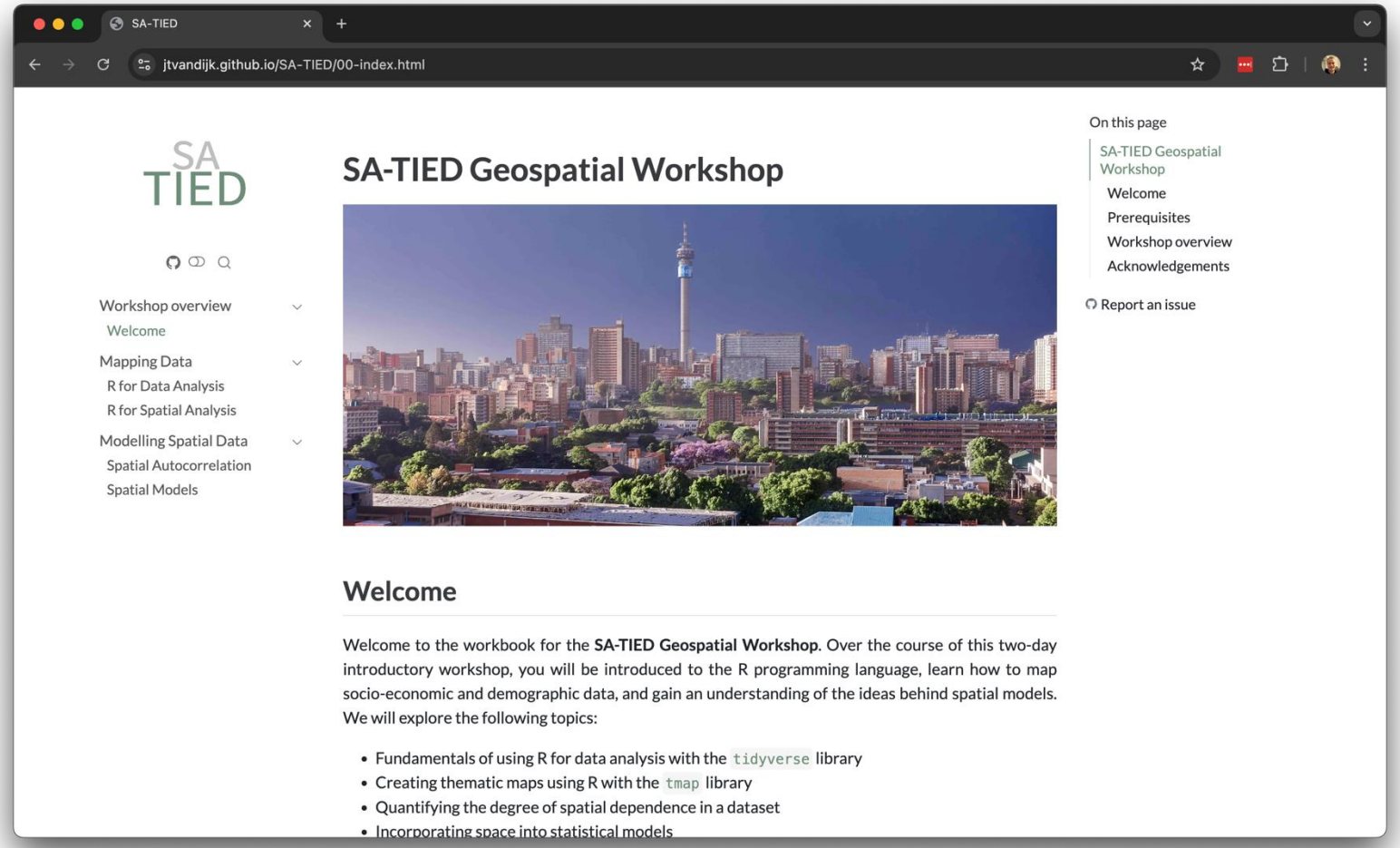

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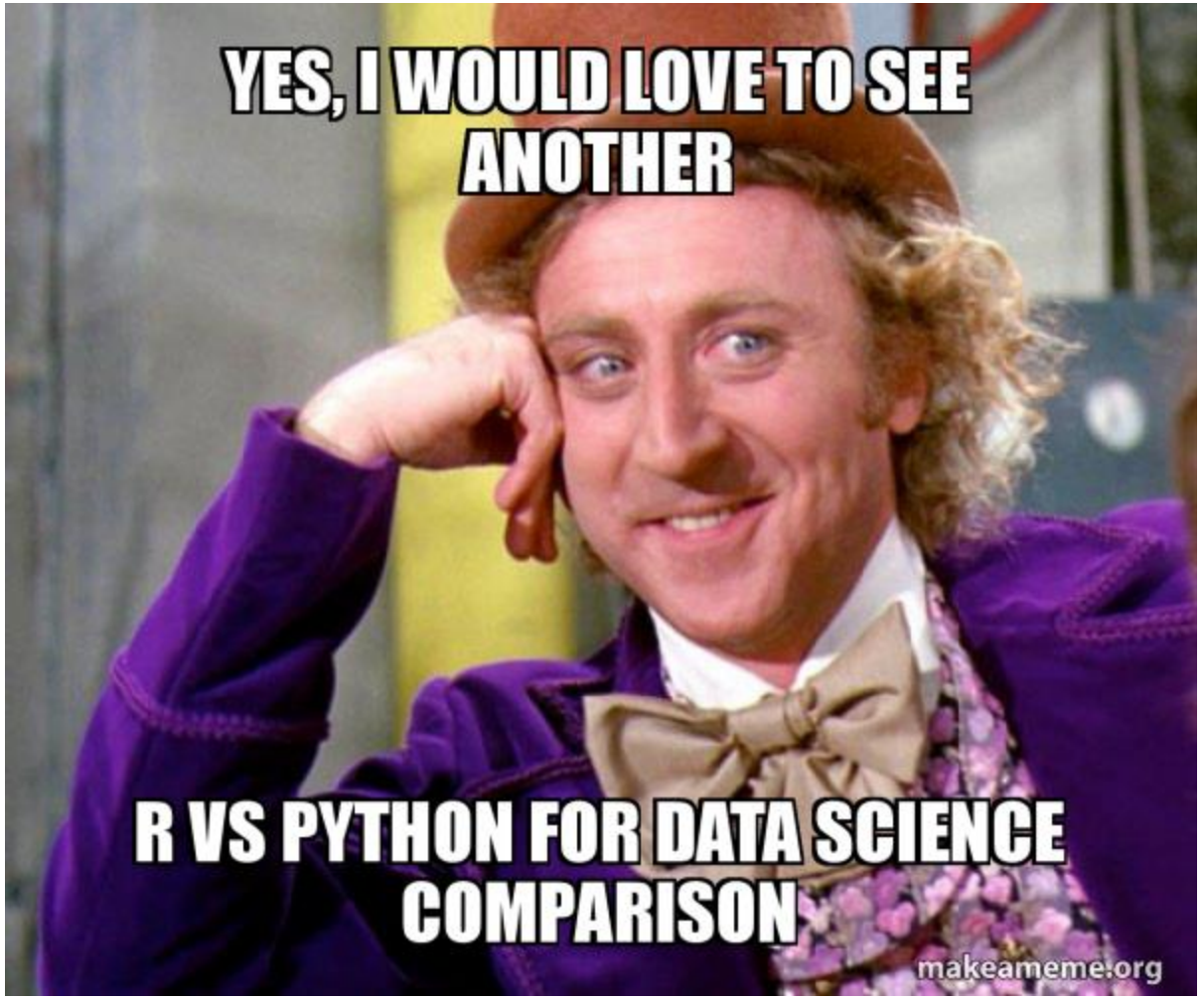
YES, I WOULD LOVE TO SEE ANOTHER
R VS PYTHON FOR DATA SCIENCE COMPARISON
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Questions

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