Downloading and Installing

2022 Programming in Psychological Science



R (and Python)

- You <u>must</u> learn (or become better at using) the R language for this course. In addition some of you will also choose to learn the Python 3 language.
- These slides provide you with installation instructions for R and Python 3 Interpreters and two recommended programs to use the languages (i.e. Integrated Development Environments; IDEs).
- Note however that all Assignments and the Exam will be summitted as .R scripts and .py scripts. A script is a text code files that can be run with different Interpreters and IDEs.





Installing your programming IDE

These are the two free recommended programs to use the languages (*Integrated Development Environments; IDEs*): Rstudio and PyCharm Community

- **RStudio is r**ecommended for those who are only learning R.
- Both **RStudio** and **PyCharm** <u>Community</u> are recommended for most who are learning both Python & R.
- Using both R and Python within **PyCharm** <u>Community</u> is also an option. But this is recommended for only those who already know some R and want both interpreters accessible within the same environment.

Other Python IDE possibilities:

- Spyder
- Jupyter Notebooks (not recommended)

https://towardsdatascience.com/5-reasons-why-jupyter-notebooks-suck-4dc201e27086

Download R (version 4.1.2)

Download and install the correct version for your operating system at this location: https://cran.rstudio.com/

Download the "base" program



Download R Studio

https://www.rstudio.com/products/rstudio/download/#download



Anaconda Python 3



Download and install the .exe file from this location: https://www.anaconda.com/products/individual

Run the .exe to install the program. Remember the destination folder, e.g. "C:\Users\[Your Name]\Anaconda3" on Windows

"/Users/[Your Name]/opt/anaconda3" on Mac

Keep "Register Anaconda3 as my default Python 3.9" selected. We will use Python 3.9 for this course, not Python 2.7

Download and set up PyCharm

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Download and install the <u>Community</u> .exe file from this location:
Windows: https://www.jetbrains.com/pycharm/download/#section=windows
Mac: https://www.jetbrains.com/pycharm/download/#section=mac
Linux: https://www.jetbrains.com/pycharm/download/#section=linux
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- Start a new "Pure Python" project with Base interpreter: Python 3.9
- OR: Make sure the we are using the correct verison of Python by going to File -> Settings -> Project: -> Python Interpreter -> Python 3.9 at either "C:\Users\[Your Name]\Anaconda3"\python.exe" or "~/opt/anaconda3/bin/python"
 - If you don't see it here: First make sure you installed Anaconda Python 3 (see last slide) If you have installed Anaconda: nagivate to Settings symbol on the same page -> System Interpreter -> Navigate to one of the location, either: "C:\Users\[Your Name]\Anaconda3\python.exe" or "/Users/[Your name]/opt/anaconda3/bin/python

Use R in PyCharm (optional)



After installing **both** R and PyCharm, download the R plugin for PyCharm by:

- Opening PyCharm
- Navigating to
 - Windows: File > Settings > Plugins
 - Mac: PyCharm > Preferences > Plugins
- Searching for R in the search bar at the top
- Pressing "Install" next to R Language for IntelliJ

Create a new R project by:

- Navigating to File > New Project
- Navigate to "R Project" (not "R Package")
- Choose "Suggested 4.1.2" from the Base interpreter (or a similar R version)
- Click "Create"