


Creating Data Frames using R

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Objectives

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What is R?

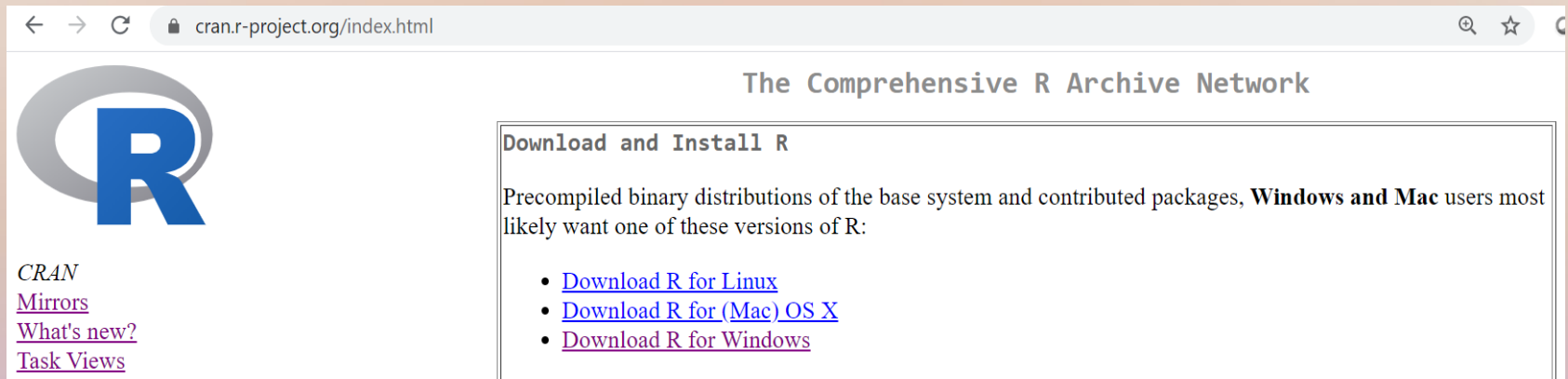
- An open-source language and environment for statistical analysis and graphics.
- Available under the Free Software Foundation's GNU General Public License in source code form.
- Provides more than 10,000 packages with functions including statistical algorithms used for linear and nonlinear modeling, classical, time-series, classification, and clustering analyses
- Provides many graphing techniques 
- Compiles and runs on a wide variety of operating systems

Basic Data Structures in R

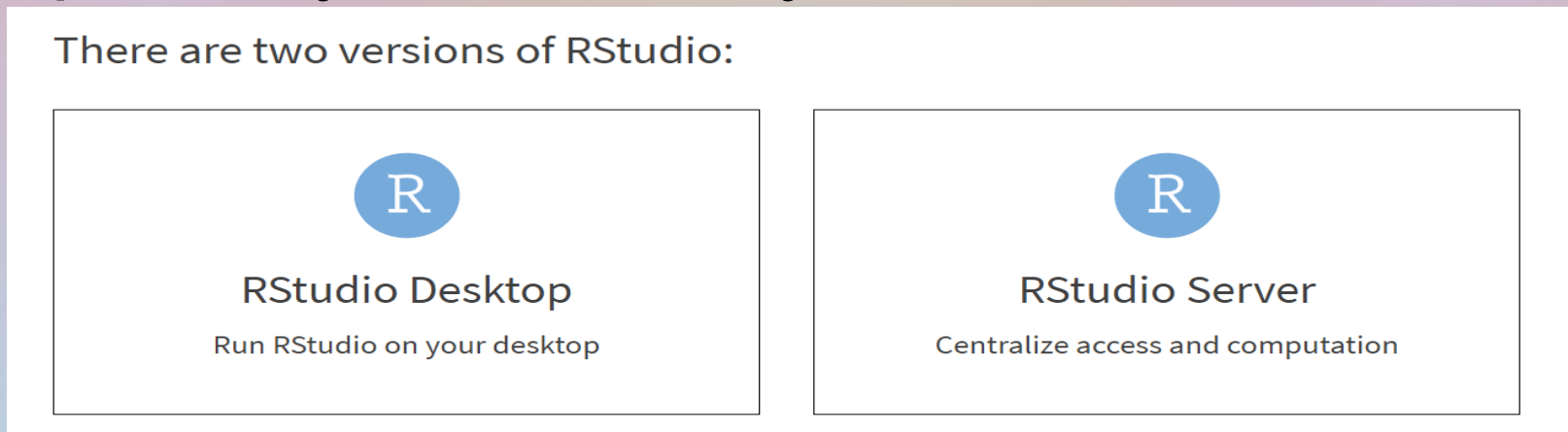
- **Vector:** Ordered collection of character, logical, integer or numeric values 
- **List:** Ordered collection of objects with elements that encompass any mixture of data types and can be named.
- **Matrix:** Vector with dimensions
- **Data Frame:** A special type of list where every element of the list has the same length 
- **Factor:** Vector of objects with a discrete grouping of components
- **Table:** Similar to an array

Getting Started

- Download R from CRAN



- Optionally, download your favorite IDE



Creating Vectors

c Combines Values Into A Vector Or List

```
> id = c(1,2,3,4,5)
```

```
> name = c("Mt. Elbert","Mt. Massive","Mt. Harvard","Blanca Peak","La Plata Peak")
```

```
> feet = c(14433,14421,14420,14345,14336)
```

```
> ascents = c(12611,8915,6859,4525,8485)
```

OR



Vectors can be used to create data frames

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Creating Data Frames Using Vectors

```
> CO14ers = data.frame(id=id,name=name,feet=feet,ascents=ascents)
```

OR

```
> CO14ers <- data.frame(id=id,name=name,feet=feet,ascents=ascents)
```

OR

```
> data.frame(id=id,name=name,feet=feet,ascents=ascents) -> CO14ers
```



Creating Data Frames Using CSV File

```
> fourteeners <- read.csv("C:/job_search/appian/fourteeners.csv")
```

OR

```
> read.csv("C:/job_search/appian/fourteeners.csv") -> fourteeners
```

read.csv reads a file and returns a data frame

Using a Data Frame

```
> CO14ers
```

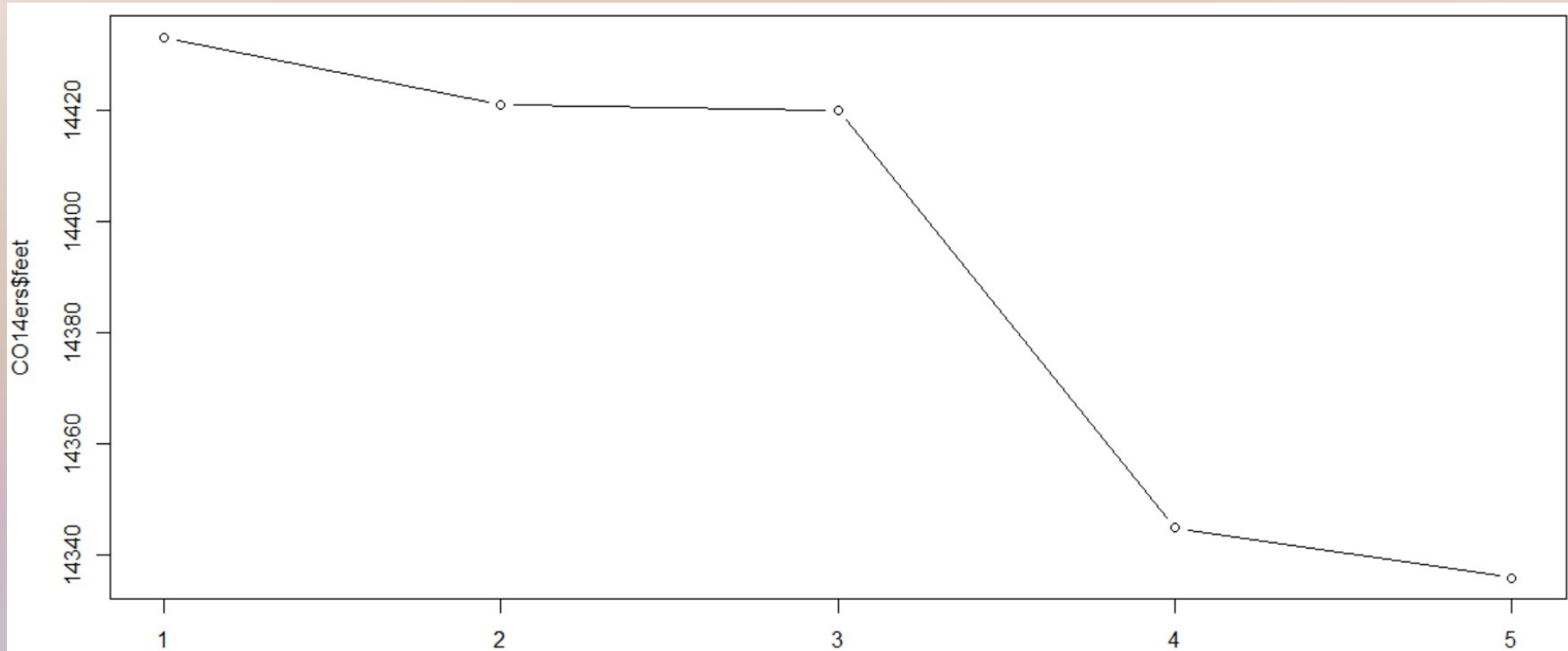
	id	name	feet	ascents
1	1	Mt. Elbert	14433	12611
2	2	Mt. Massive	14421	8915
3	3	Mt. Harvard	14420	6859
4	4	Blanca Peak	14345	4525
5	5	La Plata Peak	14336	8485

```
> mean(CO14ers$feet)
```

```
[1] 14391
```

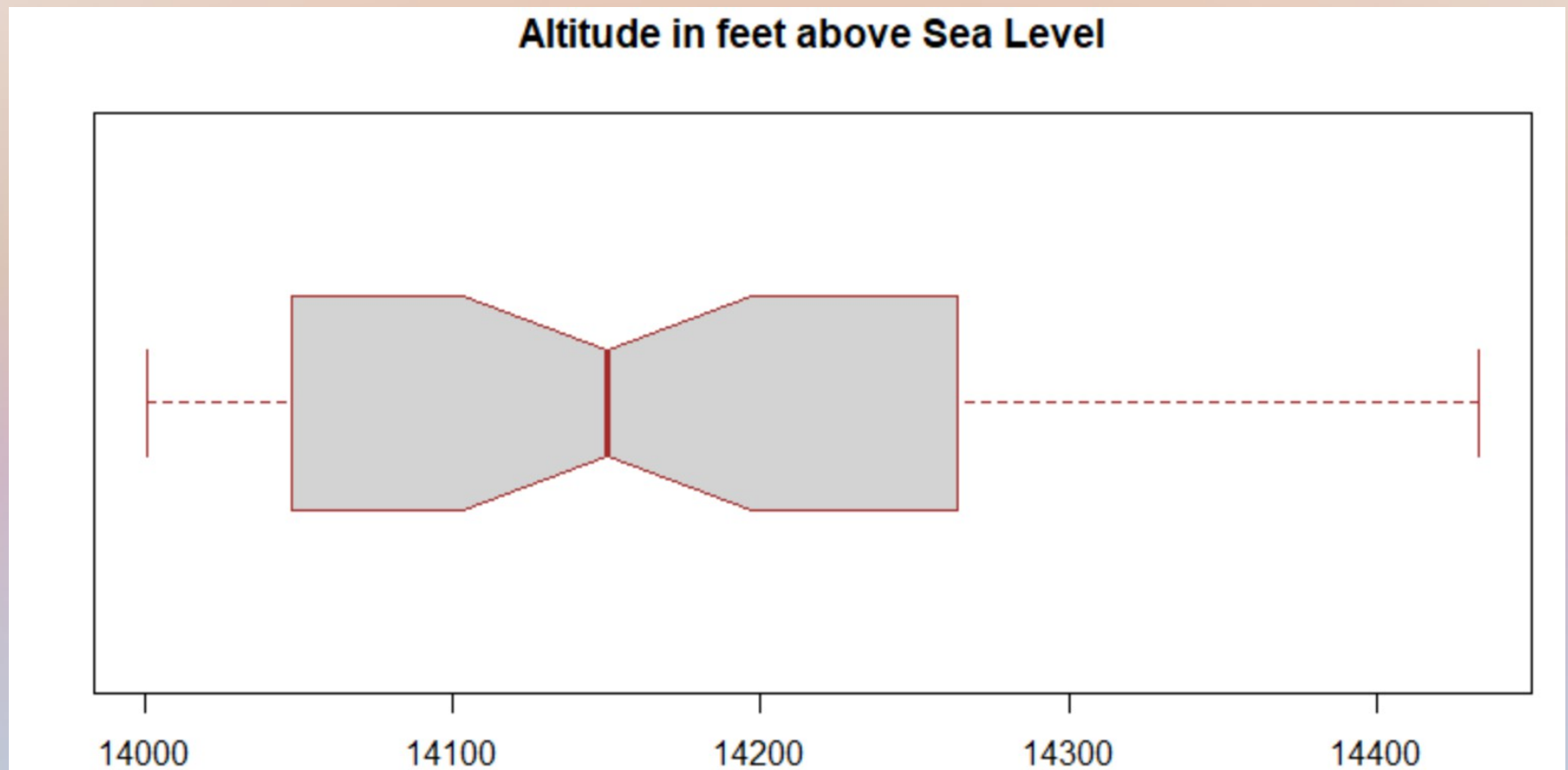
Plotting a Data Frame

```
> plot(CO14ers$feet, type="b")
```



Using a Box Plot with Data Frame

```
> boxplot(fourteeners$Elevation, main = "Altitude in feet above Sea Level", xlab =  
"Elevation", border = "brown", horizontal = TRUE, notch = TRUE)
```



Questions ???

