Introduction to R, Setup, and Tutorial Part 1

Introduction to R:

What is R?

https://www.r-project.org/about.html

"R is a language and environment for statistical computing and graphics. It is a GNU project which is similar to the S language and environment which was developed at Bell Laboratories (formerly AT&T, now Lucent Technologies) by John Chambers and colleagues. R can be considered as a different implementation of S. There are some important differences, but much code written for S runs unaltered under R.

R provides a wide variety of statistical (linear and nonlinear modelling, classical statistical tests, timeseries analysis, classification, clustering, ...) and graphical techniques, and is highly extensible. The S language is often the vehicle of choice for research in statistical methodology, and R provides an Open Source route to participation in that activity."

The R environment:

"R is an integrated suite of software facilities for data manipulation, calculation and graphical display. It includes

- an effective data handling and storage facility,
- a suite of operators for calculations on arrays, in particular matrices,
- a large, coherent, integrated collection of intermediate tools for data analysis,
- graphical facilities for data analysis and display either on-screen or on hardcopy, and
- a well-developed, simple and effective programming language which includes conditionals, loops, user-defined recursive functions and input and output facilities."

Most importantly: J-O-B-S! https://www.indeed.com/q-R-Statistics-jobs.html

Part 2

Requirements (and helper videos):

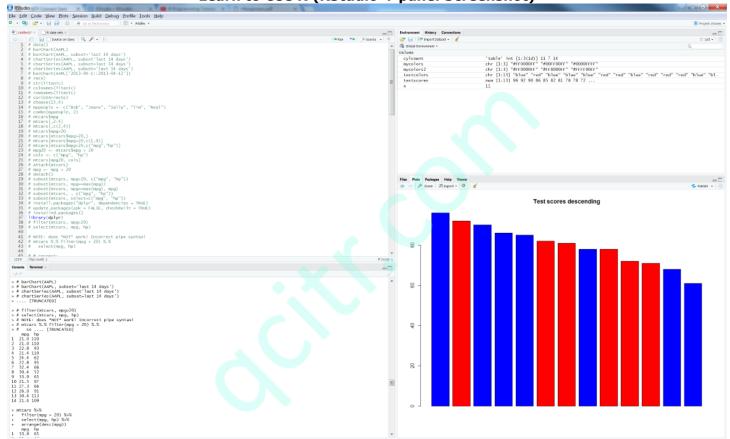
- 1. What is R? What is RStudio? (And, downloads): http://qcitr.com/vids/R Development Environment Setup.mp4
- 2. Learn to Use R (includes A5 requirements): http://qcitr.com/vids/R Introduction.mp4
- 3. *Carefully* go through the entire following tutorial (up to and including p. 32): LEARN TO USE R Your hands-on guide: http://core0.staticworld.net/assets/2015/02/17/r4beginners.pdf

Note: When the above tutorial is successfully completed, the below deliverables will be fulfilled.

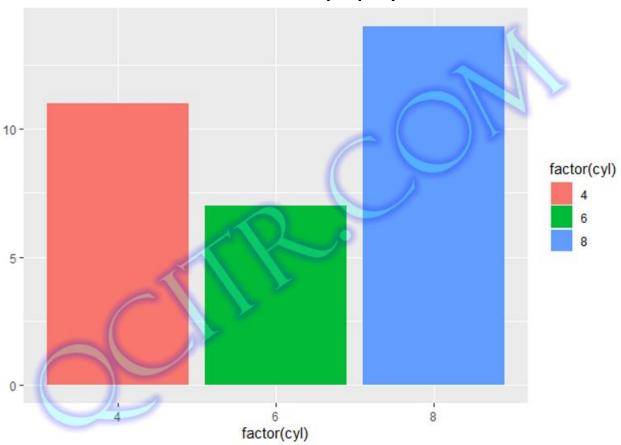
Deliverables (see <u>example</u> screenshots below):

- 1. R Commands: save a file of all the R commands included in the tutorial.
- 2. **R Console:** save a screenshot of some of the R commands executed above (below example).
- 3. **Graphs:** save <u>at least 2 separate image files</u> displaying graph plots created from the tutorial.
- 4. **RStudio:** save one screenshot (similar to the one below), displaying the following 4 windows:
 - a. R source code (top-left corner)
 - b. Console (bottom-left corner)
 - c. Environment (or History), (top-right corner)
 - d. <u>Plots</u> (bottom-right corner)

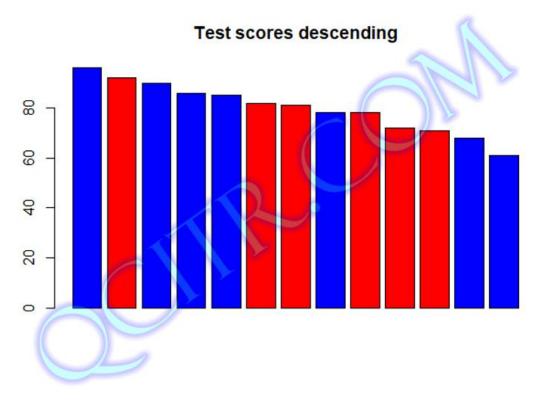
Learn to Use R (RStudio 4-panel Screenshot)



Learn to Use R (Graph 1)



Learn to Use R (Graph 2)



R and Python Comparisons
Source: Python for R Users: A Data Science Approach

	R	Python (using pandas package*)
Getting the names of rows and columns of data frame "df"	rownames(df)	df.index
	returns the name of the rows	returns the name of the rows
	colnames(df)	df.columns
	returns the name of the columns	returns the name of the columns
Seeing the top and bottom "x" rows of the data frame "df"	head(df,x)	df.head(x)
	returns top x rows of data frame	returns top x rows of data frame
	tail(df,x)	df.tail(x)
	returns bottom x rows of data frame	returns bottom x rows of data frame
Getting dimensions of data frame "df"	dim(df)	df.shape
	returns in this format: rows, columns	returns in this format: (rows, columns)
Length of data frame "df"	length(df)	len(df)
	returns no. of columns in data frames	returns no. of columns in data frames