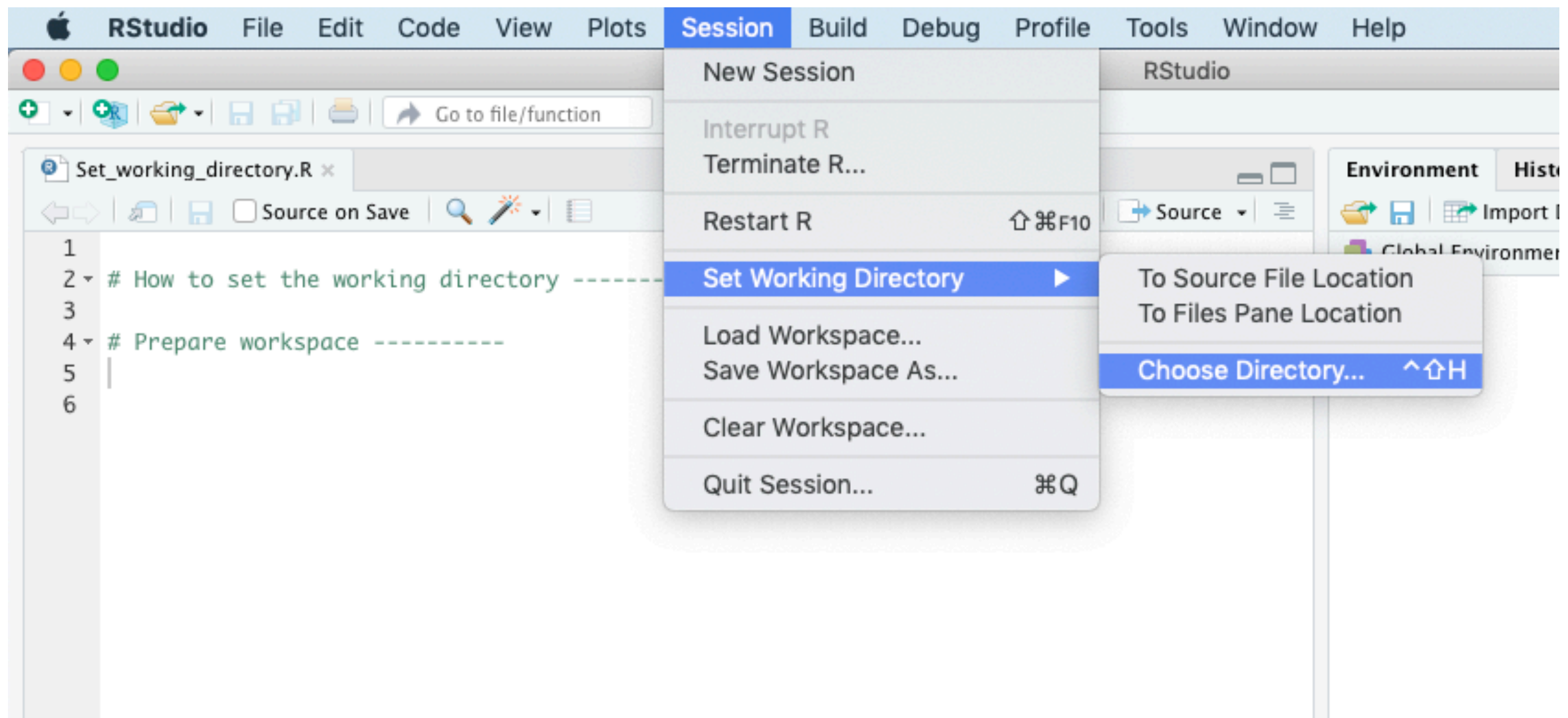


# Set working directory

- To load or save files in RStudio you need to set the working directory
- The working directory is the folder in which RStudio looks for files to be loaded or in which RStudio saves files

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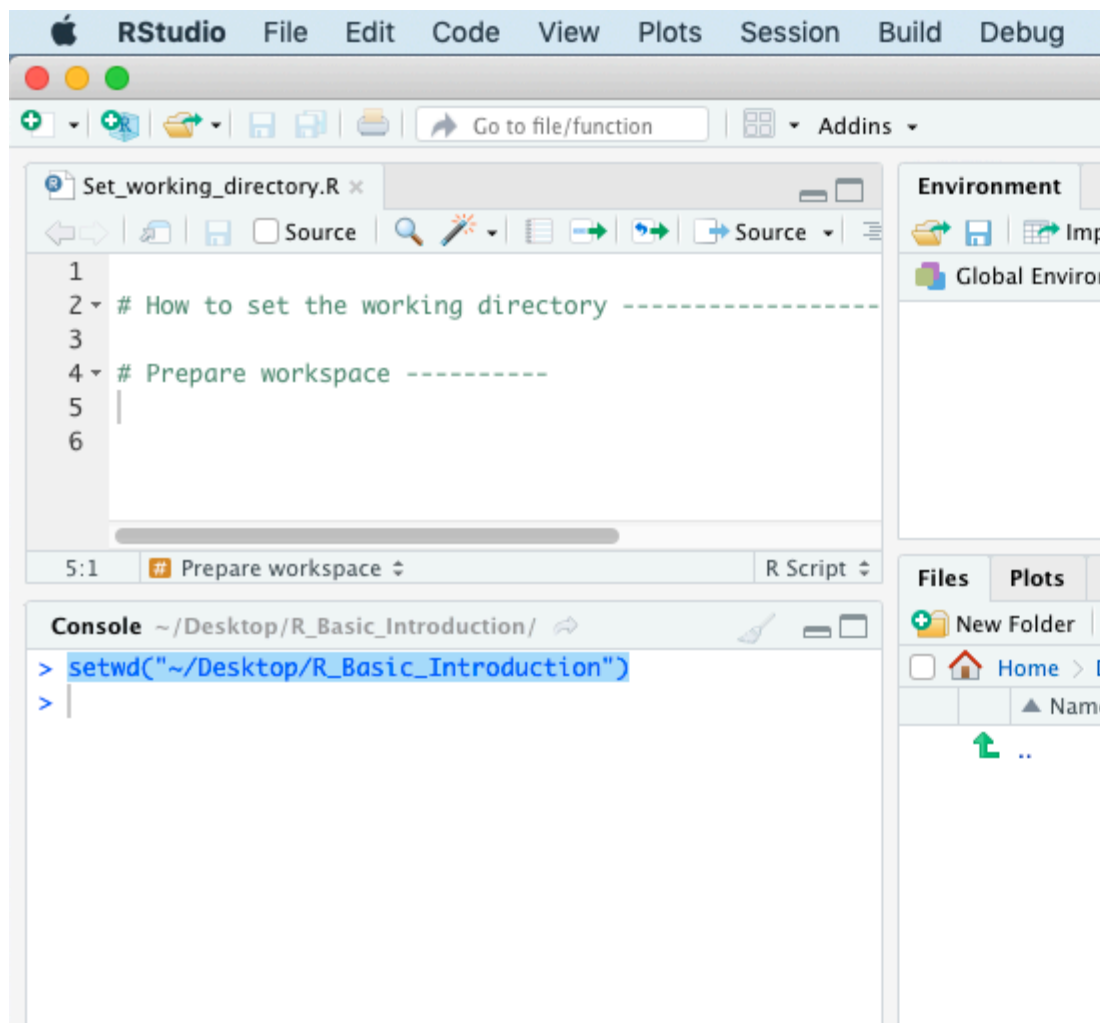
- 1) Choose the working directory from file  
Session > Set Working Directory > Choose Directory...



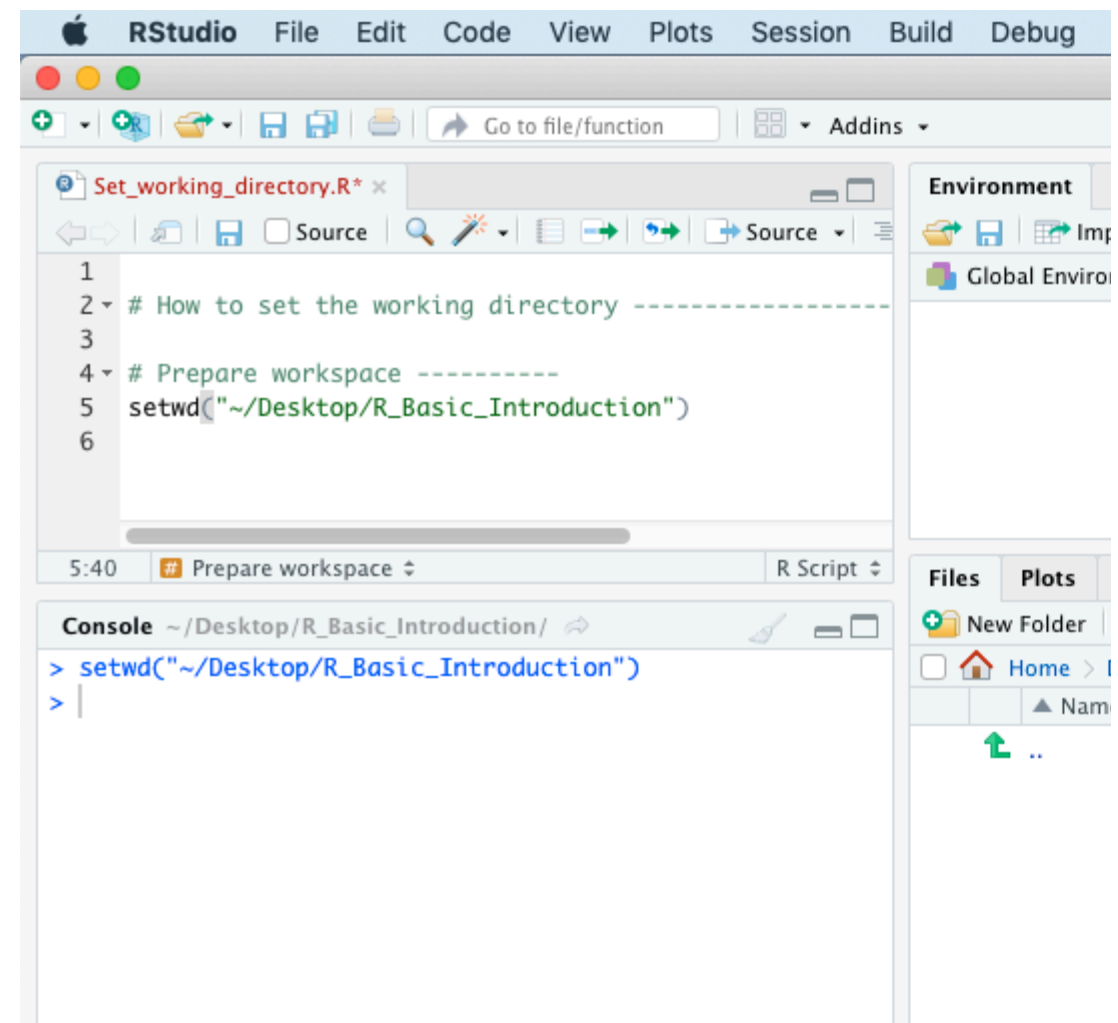
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2) Copy the code output in the console

3) Paste it into the R-script



This screenshot shows the RStudio interface. The source editor on the left contains a script with comments: '# How to set the working directory -----' and '# Prepare workspace -----'. The console at the bottom shows the command `setwd("~/Desktop/R_Basic_Introduction")` has been executed, and the current working directory is now `~/Desktop/R_Basic_Introduction/`.



This screenshot shows the RStudio interface after the command from the console has been pasted into the script editor. The source editor now contains the line `setwd("~/Desktop/R_Basic_Introduction")` at line 5. The console remains at the bottom, showing the previous command and its output.