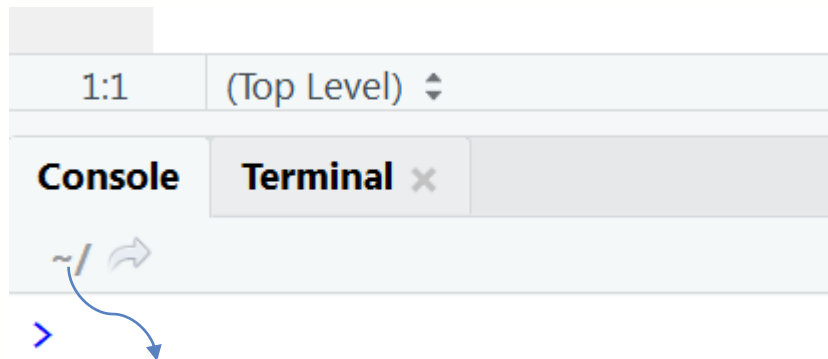


# Projects

# Working Directory

If you tell R to look for a file, or save a plot, it will (by default) look in a place called the working directory (wd).



You can (usually) see  
your wd path at the  
top of the console panel

...but right now it's  
probably defaulted to  
“Documents” or similar.

# Organisation

Sooner or later (but probably sooner) you will wish to change where files are saved (and loaded from).

Being organised is key:

Reduces cognitive load (and frustration).

# RStudio Projects

make it **far easier** for you to:

1. **Organise** files and workflow
2. **Switch** between projects
3. **Share** scripts / projects with others

(when collaborating or getting assistance)

Recommended for all tasks (large or small).

# Create a project

File → New Project → New Directory → New Project

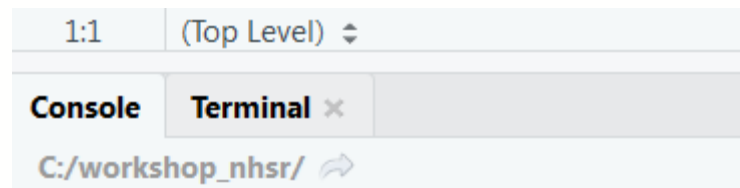
Name the directory “workshop-r”

Create as a subdirectory somewhere useful for you

Create project!

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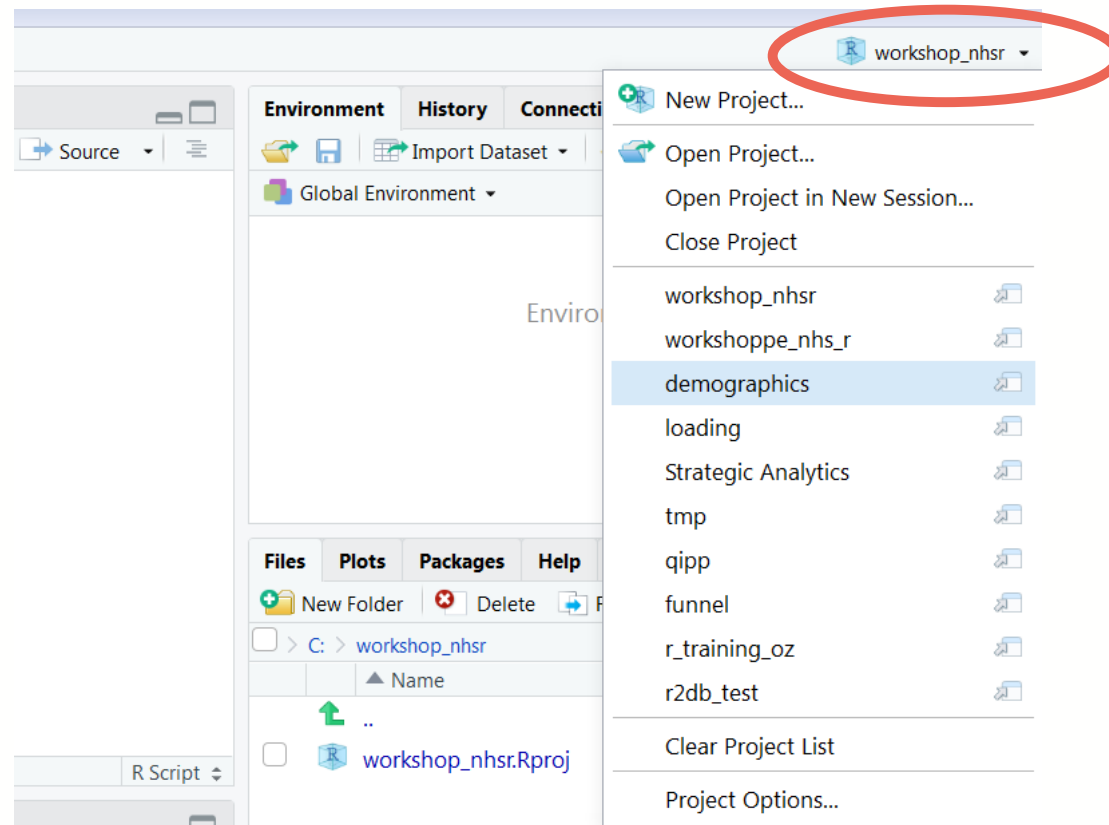
Now your working directory is your project directory:



R will save and load files from here (by default).  
If starting another project, repeat this process.

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Switching between projects is simple



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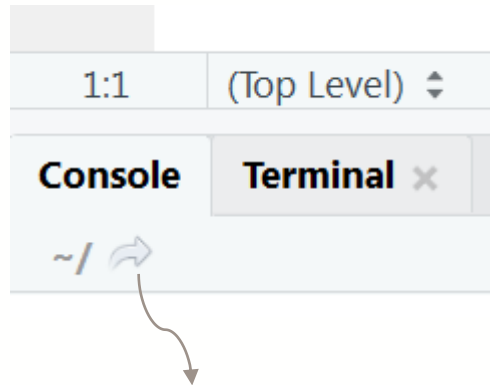
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# End

# Addendum: Browsing in RStudio



*Click this button to see contents of the current wd in the files tab*

*Click here [...] if you wish to browse further*

