



# **Data analysis and visualization using R**

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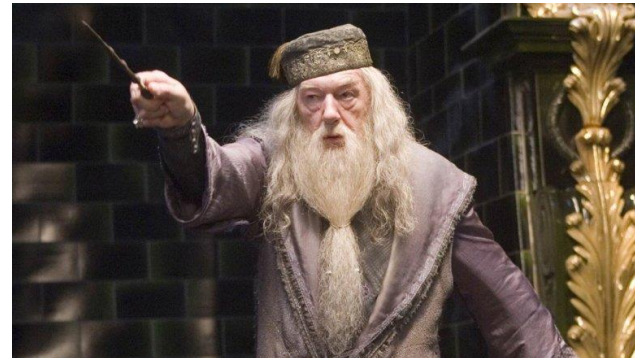
**Muggles**

Users have to rely on the functions that have been developed for them. The way to approach a problem is constrained by how their developers thought to approach them. Users have to pay money for their constrained functions.

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**Wizard**

Lots of functions or packages (spells) that developed by statistical researchers, but users can also create their own. Users don't have to pay. Once experienced enough, users are almost unlimited in their ability to change their environment.

# Learning R .....



## History of R

- R initially written & released as an open source software by Ross Ihaka and Robert Gentleman during 90s.
- Since 1997: R Development Core Team ~ 37 people & thousands of code writers and statisticians share their libraries!

## Advantages of R

- An interpreted computer language
- R is very powerful for data manipulation, statistics, and graphics.
- Fast and free
- Active user community
- Force you to think about your analysis

## Disadvantages of R

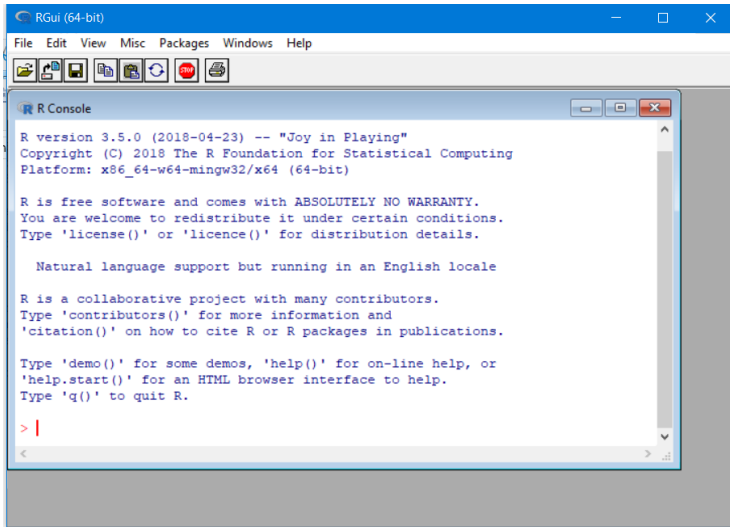
- Not user friendly, very simple GUI.
- No commercial support
- Easy to make mistakes.

# Download R

<https://www.r-project.org/>

## R workplace

### R console

A screenshot of the RGui (64-bit) console window. The window has a menu bar with File, Edit, View, Misc, Packages, Windows, and Help. Below the menu bar is a toolbar with icons for file operations and running code. The main area is a text box containing the R startup message: "R version 3.5.0 (2018-04-23) -- 'Joy in Playing'", copyright information, platform details, and a list of useful commands like 'license()', 'demo()', and 'help.start()'. The prompt ">|" is visible at the bottom.

```
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Platform: x86_64-w64-mingw32/x64 (64-bit)

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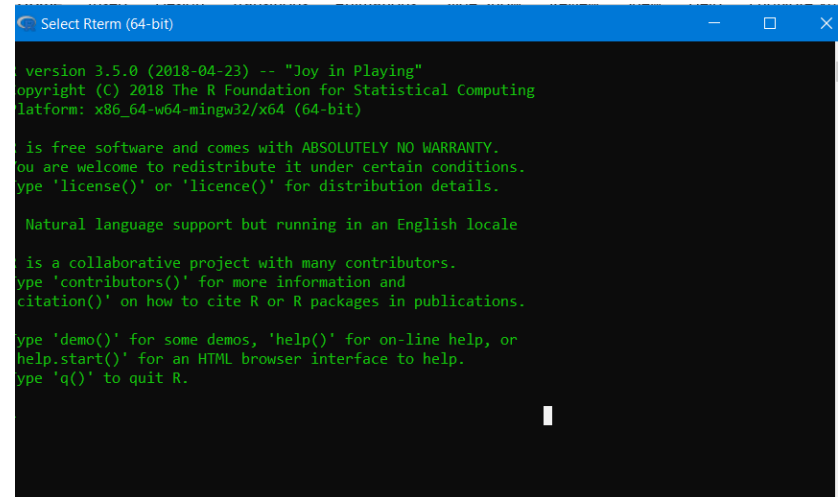
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Type 'q()' to quit R.

> |
```

### R terminal

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Select Rterm (64-bit)

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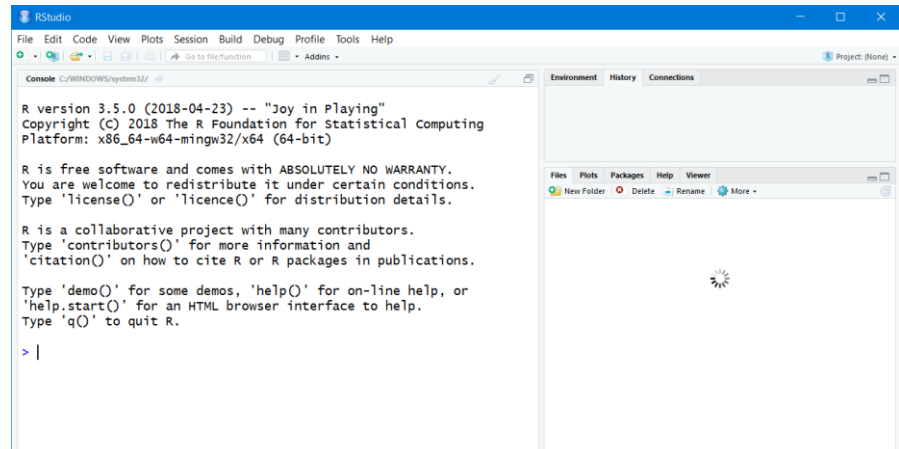
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Rstudio: an integrated  
development  
environment (IDE) for R

A screenshot of the RStudio IDE. The window has a menu bar with File, Edit, Code, View, Plots, Session, Build, Debug, Profile, and Tools. Below the menu bar is a toolbar with icons for file operations and running code. The main area is a text box containing the R startup message. On the right side, there are three panels: Environment, History, and Connections. Below these panels is a toolbar with icons for file operations and a 'More' button. The prompt ">|" is visible at the bottom.

```
RStudio

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## Values in R

Numeric: 1

Character: "abc"

Logical: TRUE FALSE

Date: "2020-08-25"

## R has objects

can be assigned using "<-" or "=". Object can be a value, object, or function.

Try to assign an object:

```
> James_weight <- 250
> James_weight
[1] 250
> book_name <- "Harry Potter"
> book_name
[1] "Harry Potter"
```

# How R store the values

## Basic data structures in R

### Vector



Elements should be the same type  
(numeric, character, logical or date)

### List



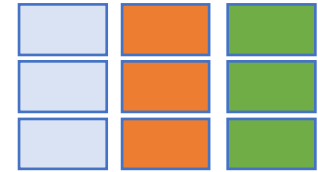
Elements can be the same or different types

### Matrix



Same type

### Data Frame



Can be multiple types



# Create and extract an object

- **Vector:** an ordered collection of single values of the same type, elements are accessed by the index.

```
a <- 34
```

```
b <- c(2, 4, 5)      # c means concatenate
```

```
b[1]
```

```
fruits <- c("apple", "orange", "strawberry")
```

```
Fruits[1]    # object name is case sensitive
```

? What if I create a vector contains different types of values

- **List:** an ordered collection of elements of different type, elements are accessed by their names

```
> l <- list("l1" = 2, "l2" = c(1,23,4), l3="SFSD")
> l
$l1
[1] 2

$l2
[1] 1 23 4

$l3
[1] "SFSD"

> l$l1
[1] 2
> l[["l2"]]
[1] 1 23 4
```

<- is equal to =





# Create and extract object

- **Matrix:** a rectangular table of data of the same type

```
> m <- matrix(c(1,2,3,4,5,6), nrow=3, ncol=3)
> m
      [,1] [,2] [,3]
[1,]    1    4    1
[2,]    2    5    2
[3,]    3    6    3
> m[2,3]      [row index, column index]
[1] 2
```


- **Data frame:** a rectangular table; each column has the same type, but different columns may have different types.

```
> d <- data.frame(s1=c(1,2,3),s2=c(2,4,6))
> d
  s1 s2
1  1  2
2  2  4
3  3  6
> d$s1
[1] 1 2 3
> d[["s1"]]
[1] 1 2 3
> d[,1]
[1] 1 2 3
> d[1,2]
[1] 2
```

Three ways to get the first column


# R function

Function is like a box



**do\_this(input, parameters)**

c, list, matrix, data.frame, mean(a)

How to get more information about a built-in function: ?, help

How to define my own function:

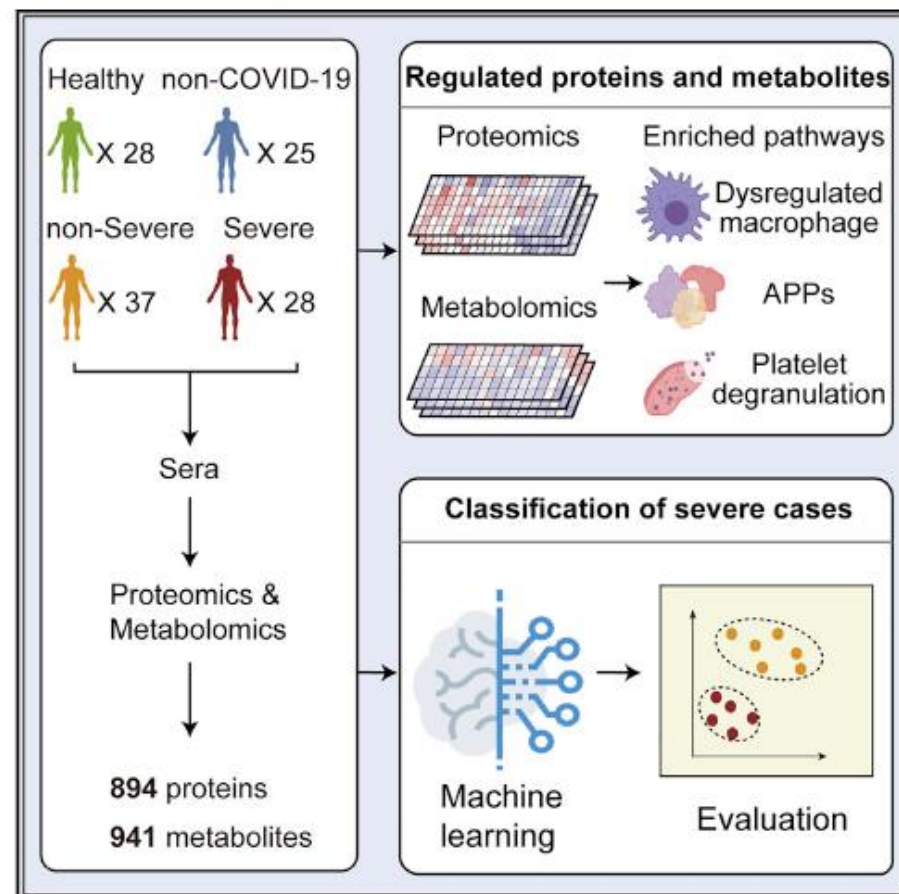
```
cal_square <- function(x) {  
  y <- x * x  
  return (y) ## can be omitted.  
}  
cal_square(2)
```

Now let's play with R



# Proteomic and Metabolomic Characterization of COVID-19 Patient Sera

## Graphical Abstract



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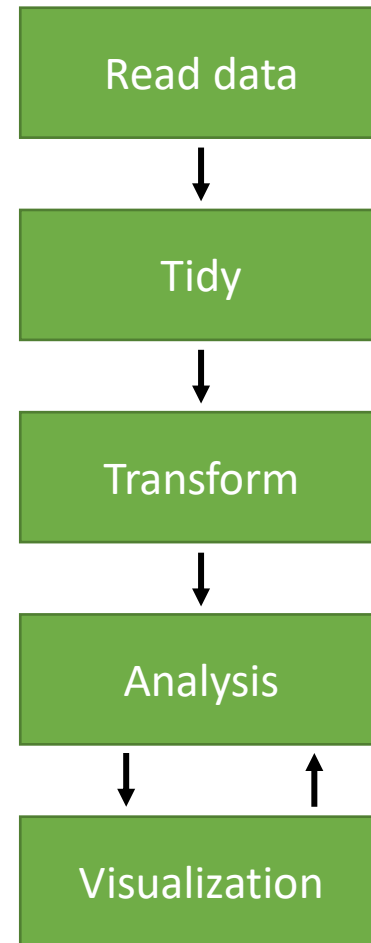
## In Brief

Proteomic and metabolomic analysis of COVID-19 sera identifies differentially expressed factors that correlate with disease severity and highlights dysregulation of multiple immune and metabolic components in clinically severe patients.

# Using R to perform analysis and visualize data

1. Read the dataset into R
2. Log2 transformation
3. Analyze the data (t-test)
4. Graphing and export

General data analysis flow



## 1. Read the dataset into R

**Command:** `read.csv` (for .csv file)      .csv: separated by “,”  
              `read.table` (for .txt file)    .txt: the columns separated by “ ” or “\t”  
              `read_excel` (for excel file)    Need to load the readxl package

### Parameters:

Filename: local file or an url

header: TRUE

row.names: 1 (use the first column strings as the row name of dataset)

How to get your working directory?

How to change your working directory?

Write the full path of a file in windows system and unix like system.

More information about absolute path and relative path.

# 1. Read the dataset into R

use “getwd()” to get the default R working directory.  
“setwd(path)” to change it

```
> getwd()
[1] "/Users/xiao"
> setwd("/Users/xiao/Desktop/NCSU_lecture/")
> 
```

Read the dataset and store it into a variable (for example mydata):

```
covid19_data <- read.csv("RawData_plasma metabolites.csv", header=TRUE,
row.names=1)
```

or

```
covid19_data <-
read.csv("https://raw.githubusercontent.com/zhengtaoxiao/NCSU_R/master/
RawData_plasma metabolites.csv", header=TRUE, row.names=1)
```

Change the data type from dataframe to matrix

```
covid19_data <- data.matrix(covid19_data)
```

## 2. Log2 transformation

Inspecting your dataset: **View**(covid19\_data)

See also : head(covid19\_data) —————> First 10 rows

tail(covid19\_data) —————> Last 10 rows

Check the dimension of the data: dim

**Log2 your dataset:** covid19\_log2\_data <- log2(covid19\_data+1)

**The distribution of metabolites in a patients before and after log2 transformation:**

hist(covid19\_data)

hist(covid19\_log2\_data)



### 3. Analyze the data

Using of the t-test function in R

```
t.test(x, y = NULL,  
       alternative = c("two.sided", "less", "greater"),  
       mu = 0, paired = FALSE, var.equal = FALSE,  
       conf.level = 0.95, ...)
```

Example of t.test for first metabolite

```
> t.test(covid19_log2_data[1:26,1], covid19_log2_data[27:76,1])  
  
Welch Two Sample t-test  
  
data: covid19_log2_data[1:26, 1] and covid19_log2_data[27:76, 1]  
t = 2.0432, df = 70.318, p-value = 0.04478  
alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is not equal to 0  
95 percent confidence interval:  
 0.004396337 0.362585449  
sample estimates:  
mean of x mean of y  
 13.95770  13.77421  
  
> t.test(covid19_log2_data[1:26,1], covid19_log2_data[27:76,1])$p.value  
[1] 0.0447782  
>
```

Healthy people

Infected patients

The result of t.test is a list. Using the "\$" to get the elements.

### 3. Analyze the data

We can define function to perform t-test on specific metabolite and return p-value

Function is like a box



```
mytttest <- function(idx){  
  res <- t.test(x = covid19_log2_data[1:26, idx],  
                y = covid19_log2_data[27:76, idx])  
  
  return (res$p.value)  
}
```

```
mytttest(1)
```

### 3. Analyze the data

Perform test for all metabolites

```
pvals <- c()
for(i in 1:nrow(covid19_log2_data)){
  p <- myttest(i)
  pvals <- c(pvals,p)
}
```

1:10 generates a vector c(1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10). Here 1:nrow(mydata) return the row indexes of mydata

Using of command sapply to perform t-test on each row

```
sapply(X, FUN, ..., simplify = TRUE, USE.NAMES = TRUE)
```

```
pvals <- sapply(X=1:ncol(covid19_log2_data),FUN=myttest)
```

nrow return the number of rows of a matrix or dataframe

### 3. Analyze the data

Let's calculate the log2 fold change using the `sapply`

```
cal_log2fc <- function(idx){  
  control_mean <- mean(covid19_data[1:26,idx])  
  infected_mean <- mean(covid19_data[27:76,idx])  
  return log2(infected_mean / control_mean)  
}
```

```
log2_fcs <- sapply(X=1:ncol(covid19_data), FUN=cal_log2fc)
```

Learn more similar functions: `apply`, `lapply` → Return a list



Input is an array or matrix

## 4. Graph and export: Volcano plot

**Command:** plot

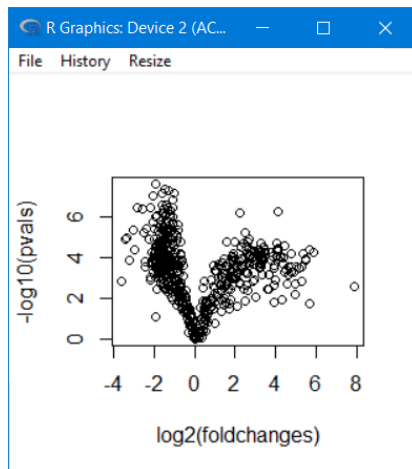
**Parameters:**

x (x axis)

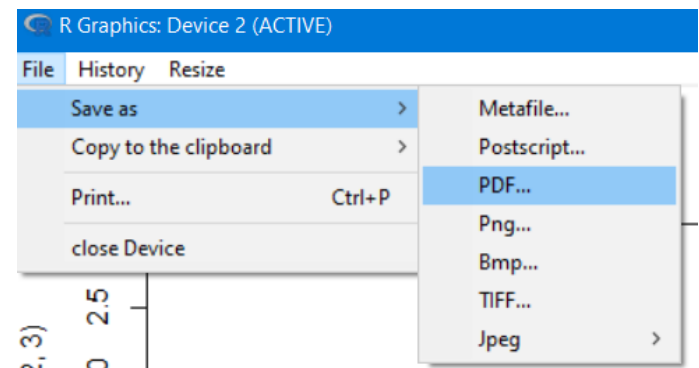
y (y axis)

```
plot(x = log2_fcs , y = -log10(pvals))
```

Log2 transformed values are easy to understand:  $>0$  means increased;  $<0$  decreased;  
-log10 transformed p-values: 0.1, 0.01, 0.001, 0.0001  $\longrightarrow$  1, 2, 3, 4



## Export the graph



## 4. Graph and export: the t-test result

**Command:** write.csv (for .csv file)  
write.table (for .txt file)

.csv: separated by “,”

.txt: the columns separated by “ ” or “\t”

### Parameters:

Data: matrix or data frame

Filename: the name of file, default is print to console

Read the dataset and store it into a variable :

```
write.csv(cbind(log2_fcs, pvals), "ttest_result.csv")
```

Using cbind to combine vectors by column and generate a matrix

## Powerful package: ggplot

Focus on the analysis and data, using ggplot to create the graph quickly.

You provide the data, tell ggplot2 how to map variables to aesthetics, what graphical primitives to use.

```
install.packages("ggplot2")  
library(ggplot2)  
group_data <- read.csv("group_info.csv", header=T, row.names=1)  
plot_data <- data.frame(value=covid19_data[,1], + group=group_data[,1])  
ggplot(plot_data, aes(x=group, y=value)) +  
  geom_boxplot()
```

```
## try geom_col(), geom_violin(), geom_point(), geom_jitter()
```

## ggplot: Add error bars to a bar

```
ggplot(plot_data, aes(x=group, y=value, fill=group)) +  
  stat_summary(geom = "bar", fun = mean)+  
  stat_summary(geom = "errorbar", fun.data = mean_se, width=0.5)
```



## ggplot: more groups

```
plot_data2 <- covid19_data[,c("Citric.acid", "Isocitric.acid",  
                             "Fumaric.acid", "Succinic.acid")]  
  
head(plot_data2)  
  
library(reshape2)  
  
plot_data2 <- melt(plot_data2) #Convert an object  
  
head(plot_data2)  
  
plot_data2$group <- rep(group_data[,1], 4)  
  
ggplot(plot_data2, aes(x=group, y=value, fill=variable)) +  
  stat_summary(geom = "bar", fun = mean, position= "dodge")+  
  stat_summary(geom = "errorbar", fun.data = mean_se, position="dodge")
```

## ggplot: more groups, using the relative intensities

```
for(m in unique(plot_data2$variable)){  
  control_mean <- mean(plot_data2[(plot_data2$variable == m) &  
(plot_data2$group=="CONTROL"),"value"])  
  
  plot_data2[plot_data2$variable == m, "relative"] <-  
    plot_data2[plot_data2$variable == m, "value"] / control_mean  
}  
  
ggplot(plot_data2, aes(x=variable, y= relative, fill=group)) +  
  stat_summary(geom = "bar", fun = mean, position= "dodge")+  
  stat_summary(geom = "errorbar", fun.data = mean_se,  
position="dodge") +  
  scale_fill_manual(values =  
c("#ffbfbf", "#ff4040", "#bf0000", "#6f0000"))
```

## More powerful packages



## R packages for data science

The tidyverse is an opinionated **collection of R packages** designed for data science. All packages share an underlying design philosophy, grammar, and data structures.

Install the complete tidyverse with:

```
install.packages("tidyverse")
```

**Any questions:**

## An Introduction to R

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Notes on R: A Programming Environment for Data Analysis and Graphics  
Version 3.6.1 (2019-07-05)

<https://cran.r-project.org/doc/manuals/r-release/R-intro.pdf>

<https://www.r-project.org/help.html>



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