Introduction to R Software

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Command line, Data Editor and R Studio

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What is command line?

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R Console
R version 3.2.3 (2015-12-10) -- "Wooden Christmas-Tree"
Copyright (C) 2015 The R Foundation for Statistical Computing
Platform: x86 64-w64-mingw32/x64 (64-bit)
R is free software and comes with ABSOLUTELY NO WARRANTY.
You are welcome to redistribute it under certain conditions.
Type 'license()' or 'licence()' for distribution details.
  Natural language support but running in an English locale
R is a collaborative project with many contributors.
Type 'contributors()' for more information and
'citation()' on how to cite R or R packages in publications.
Type 'demo()' for some demos, 'help()' for on-line help, or
'help.start()' for an HTML browser interface to help.
Type 'q()' to quit R.
[Previously saved workspace restored]
                                   This is command line
         Type the commands here
```

Execution of commands in R is not menu driven. (Not like Clicking over buttons to get outcome)

We need to type the commands.

Single line and multi line commands are possible to write.

When writing multi-line programs, it is useful to use a text editor rather than execute everything directly at the command line.

Option 1:

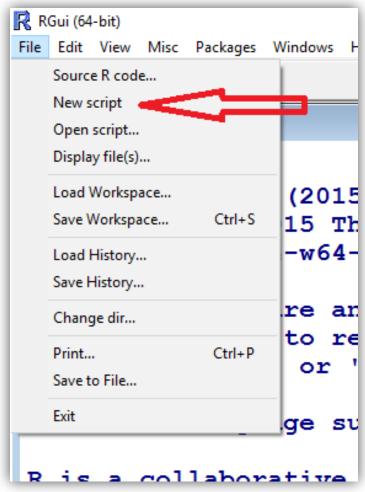
One may use R's own built-in editor.

It is accessible from the RGui menu bar.

Click File and then click on New script.

At this point R will open a window entitled Untitled-R Editor.

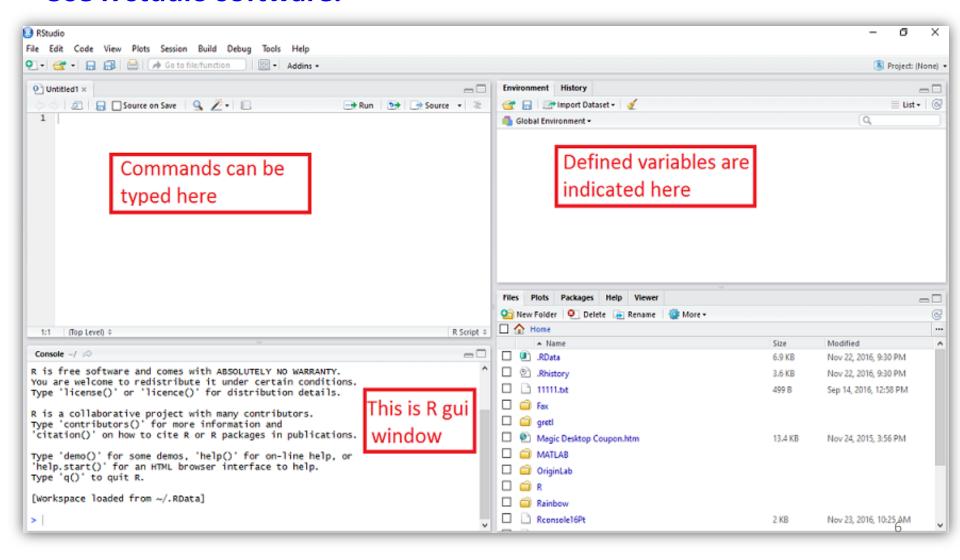
We may type and edit in this.



If we want to execute a line or a group of lines, just highlight them and press Ctrl+R.

Option 2:

Use R studio software.



Suppose we want to use following three functions:

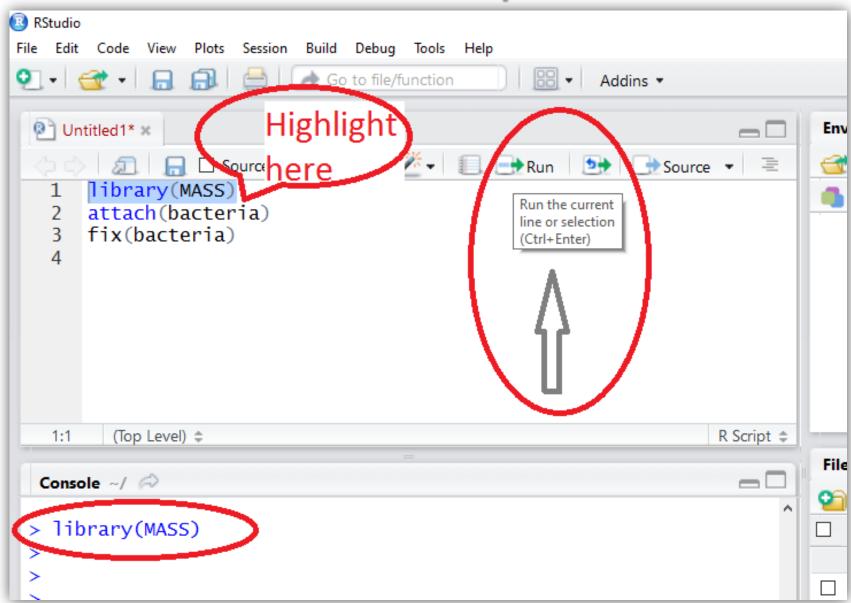
Type them.

```
library(MASS)
attach(bacteria)
fix(bacteria)
```

Suppose we want to run only function: library(MASS)

Highlight it and click on Run

Then we get....



Data Editor

There is a data editor within R that can be accessed from the menu bar by selecting Edit/Data editor.

Provide the name of the matrix or data frame that we want to edit and a Data Editor window appears.

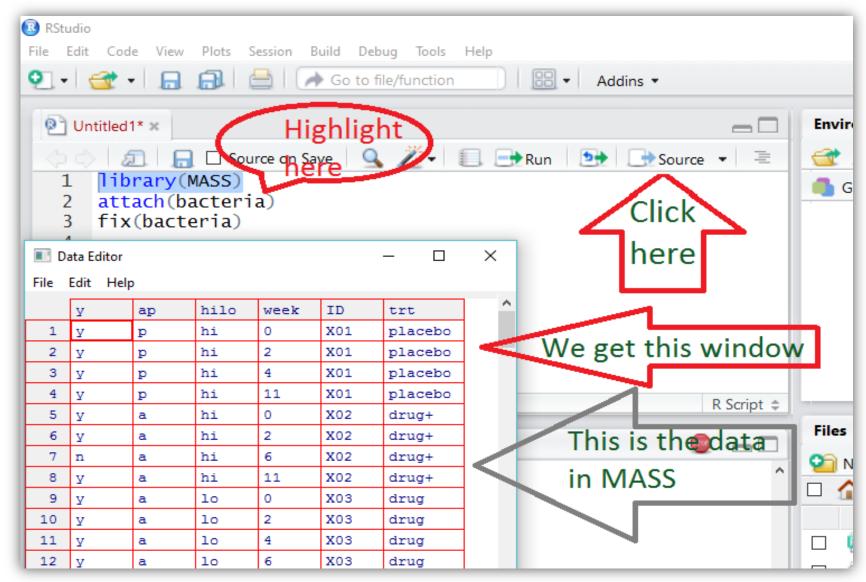
Alternatively we can do this from the command line using the **fix** function.

Example:

```
library(MASS)
attach(bacteria)
fix(bacteria)
```

Data Editor

We can do it in R Studio as follows:



Cleaning up the Windows

We assign names to variables when analyzing any data.

It is good practice to remove the variable names given to any data frame at the end each session in R.

This way, variables with same names but different properties will not get in each others way in subsequent work.

rm() command removes variable names

For example,

rm(x,y,z) removes the variables x, y and z.

Cleaning up the Windows

detach() command detaches objects from the Search Path

It removes it from the search() path of available R objects.

Usually this is either a data.frame which has been attached or a package which was attached by library.

To get rid of everything, including data frames, type rm(list=ls())

Then we get....

Cleaning up the Windows

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                      Loads the package 'splines'
  library(splines)
>
>
  detach (package:splines)
        Detaches the
       package 'splines'
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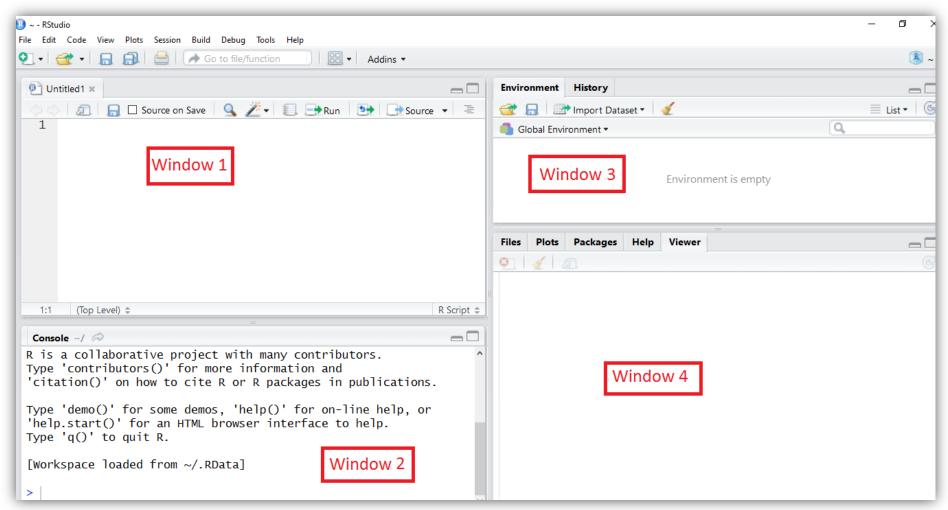
It is an interface between R and us.

More useful for beginners.

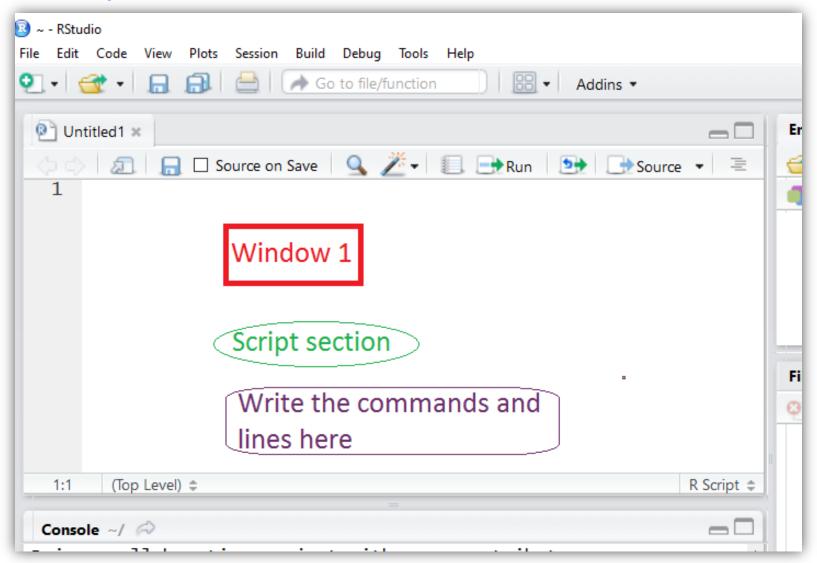
It makes coding easier.

When we start R studio, we see 4 windows

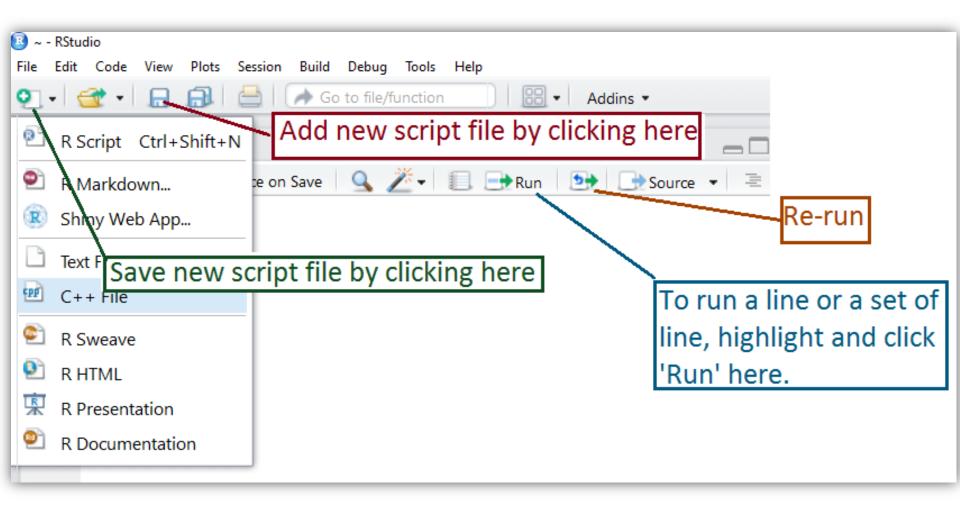
First opening window of Rstudio is as follows having four windows.



Description of Window 1



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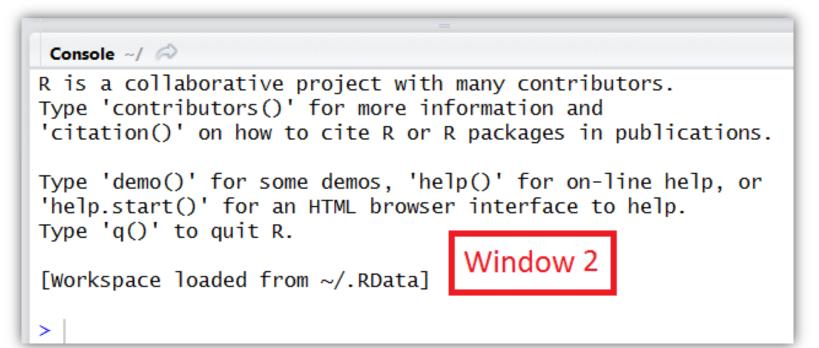


Description of Window 2: Console

R program window appears here.

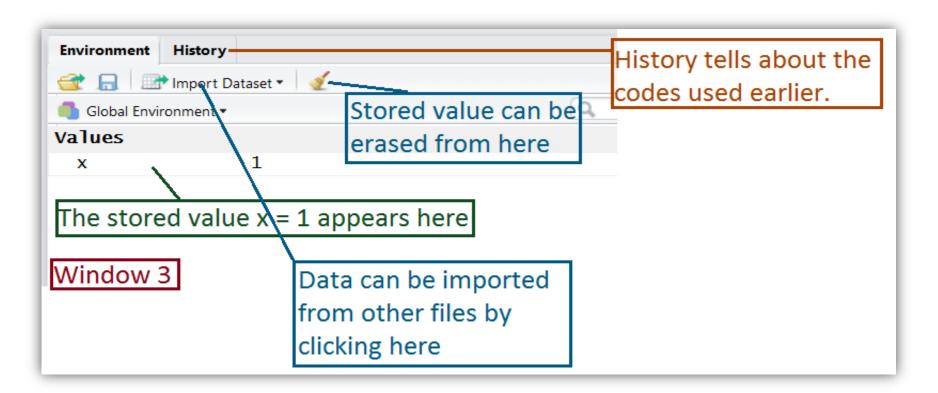
Calculations take place inconsole window.

One can write programmes in console also but it is hard to make corrections and experiments with the coding.



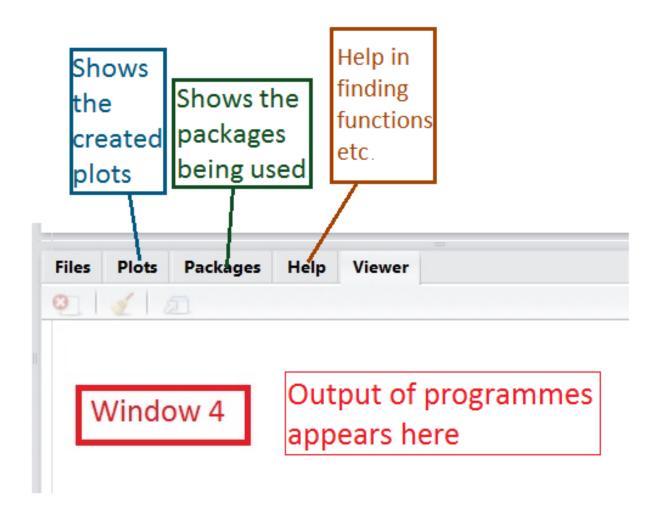
Description of Window 3: Environment window

All the variables and objects used in the programme appear here. The nature and values of variables and objects also appear here.



Description of Window 4 : Output window

The output of programmes appears in this window.



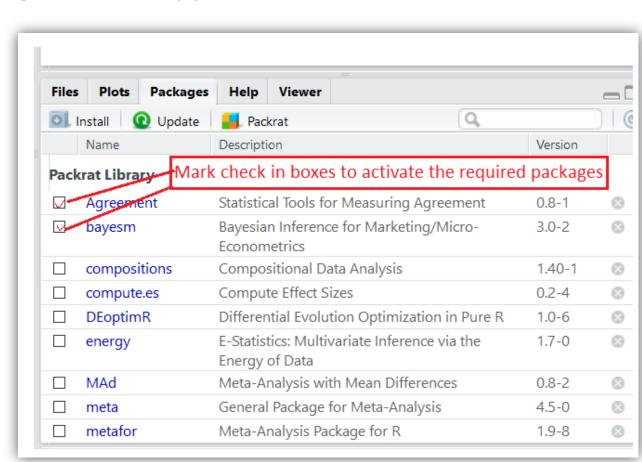
Description of Window 4 : Output window

Packages:

All the packages being installed appear here.

Packages are not active.

Check mark in the boxes to activate them.



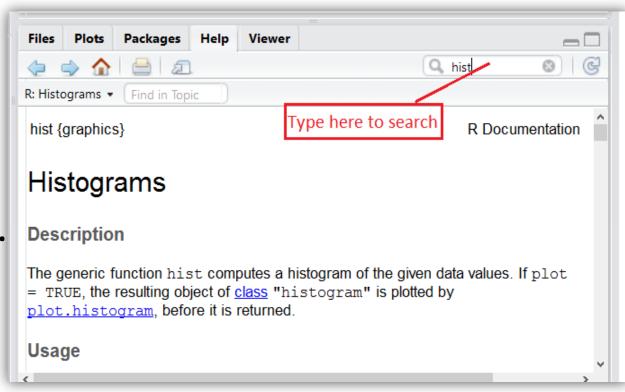
Window 4 : Output window

Help:

Various types of help can be asked.

E.g., to know about histogram, type hist.

Information appears.



Example:

Histogram of values 1,2,1,1,2,3,1,2,3,1,2,3,

R studio has following operation and output:

