



# R COOKBOOK – R STUDIO BASICS

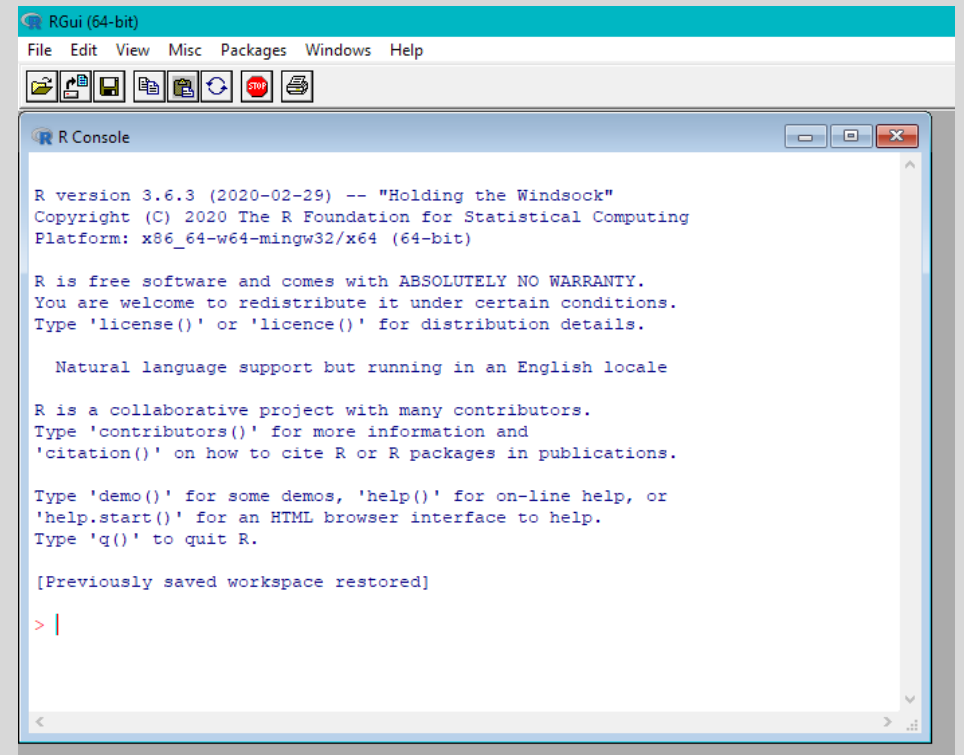
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# Session Info

- Today we'll cover some of the basics in R
- Want to learn even more? Join in on another session:
  - 3/10 – Tidy Data in R
  - 3/24 – Data Visualization using ggplot2
  - 3/31 – Reproducible Reports using RMarkdown
- Have questions? Feel free to interrupt and ask!

# R vs RStudio

- R is the programming language we will be using
- R comes with an environment we can use to program



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R Console

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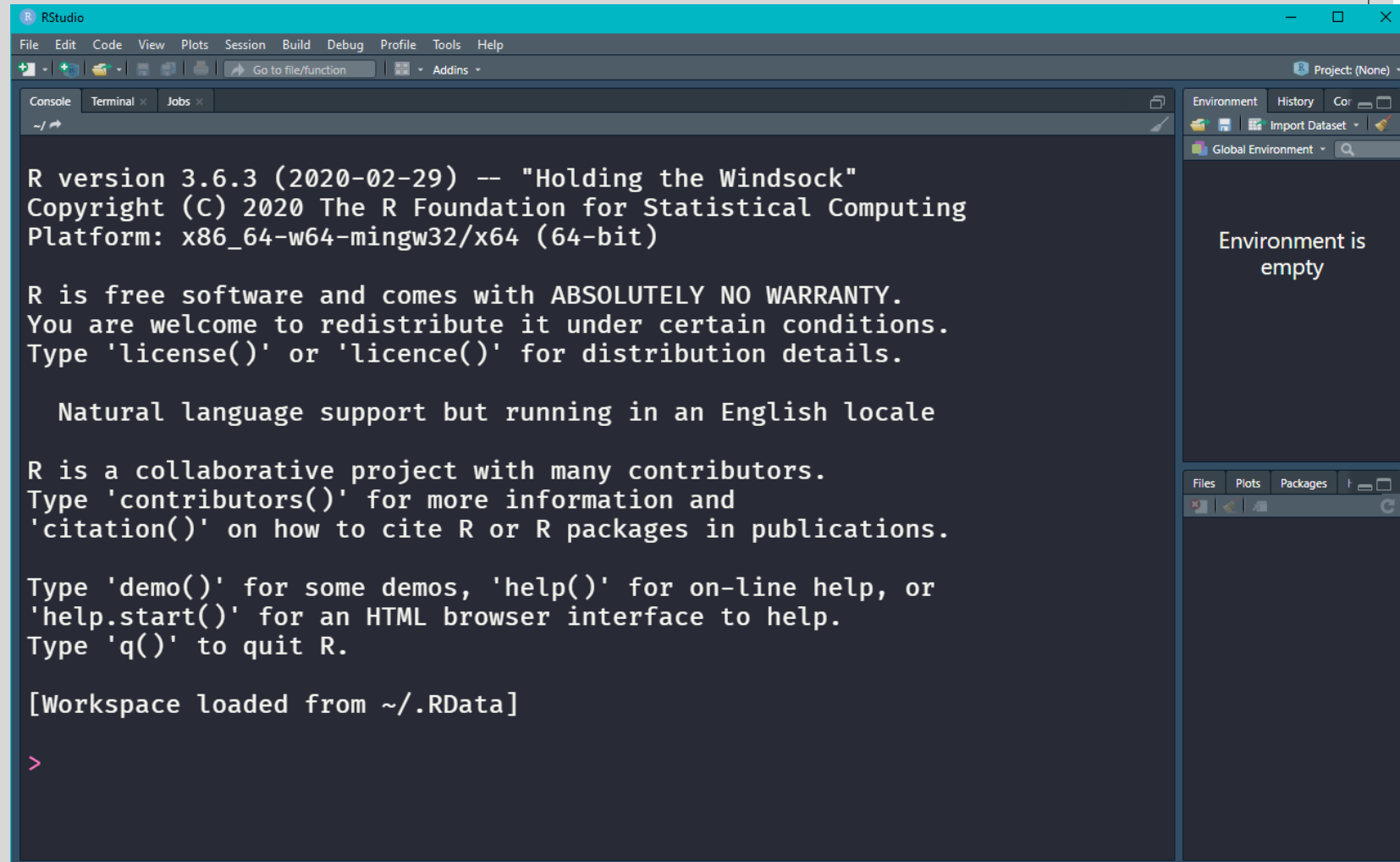
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Type 'q()' to quit R.

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# R vs RStudio

- RStudio adds a more user-friendly graphical interface
- RStudio requires R to work



The screenshot shows the RStudio application window. The top menu bar includes File, Edit, Code, View, Plots, Session, Build, Debug, Profile, Tools, and Help. Below the menu bar is a toolbar with icons for file operations and a search bar. The main console area displays the following text:

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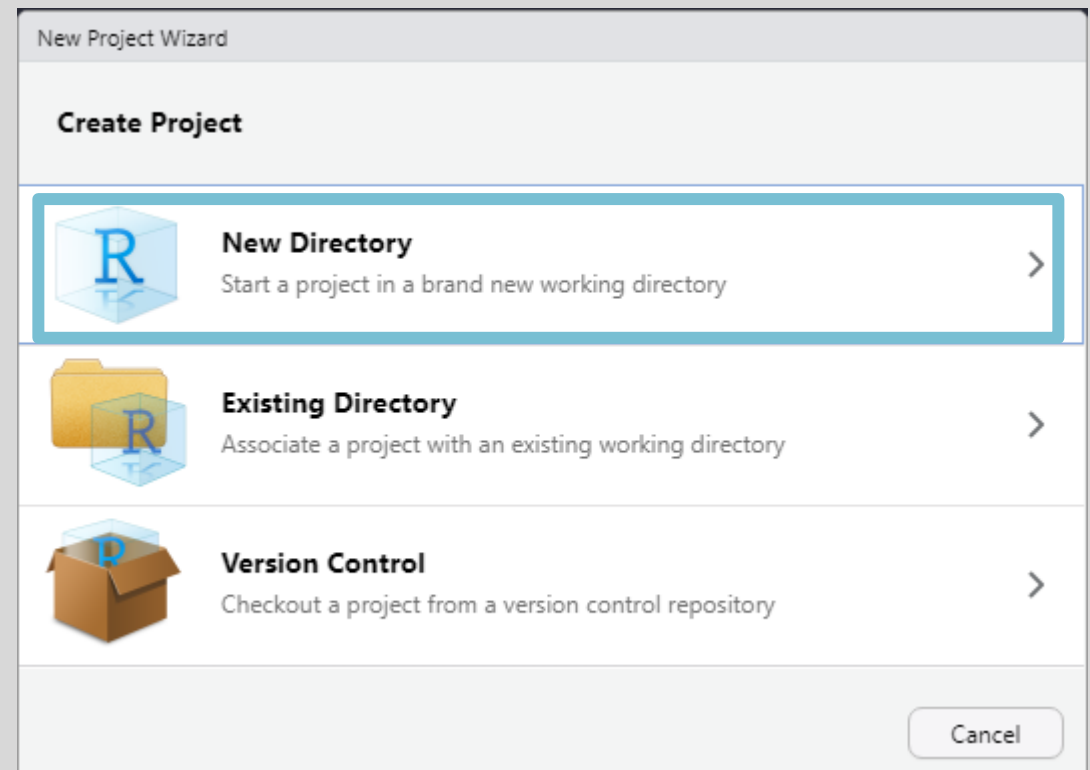
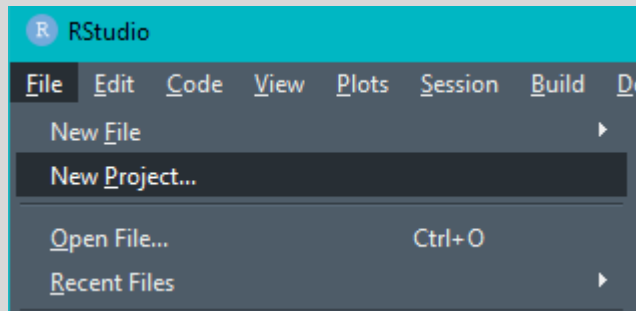
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# Why Choose R?

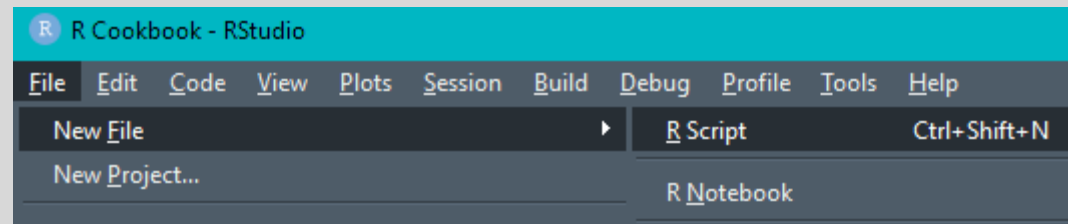
- Free and Open Source
- Wide range of packages
- Easy graphics
- Presenting results in RMarkdown

# Setting Up Our Project

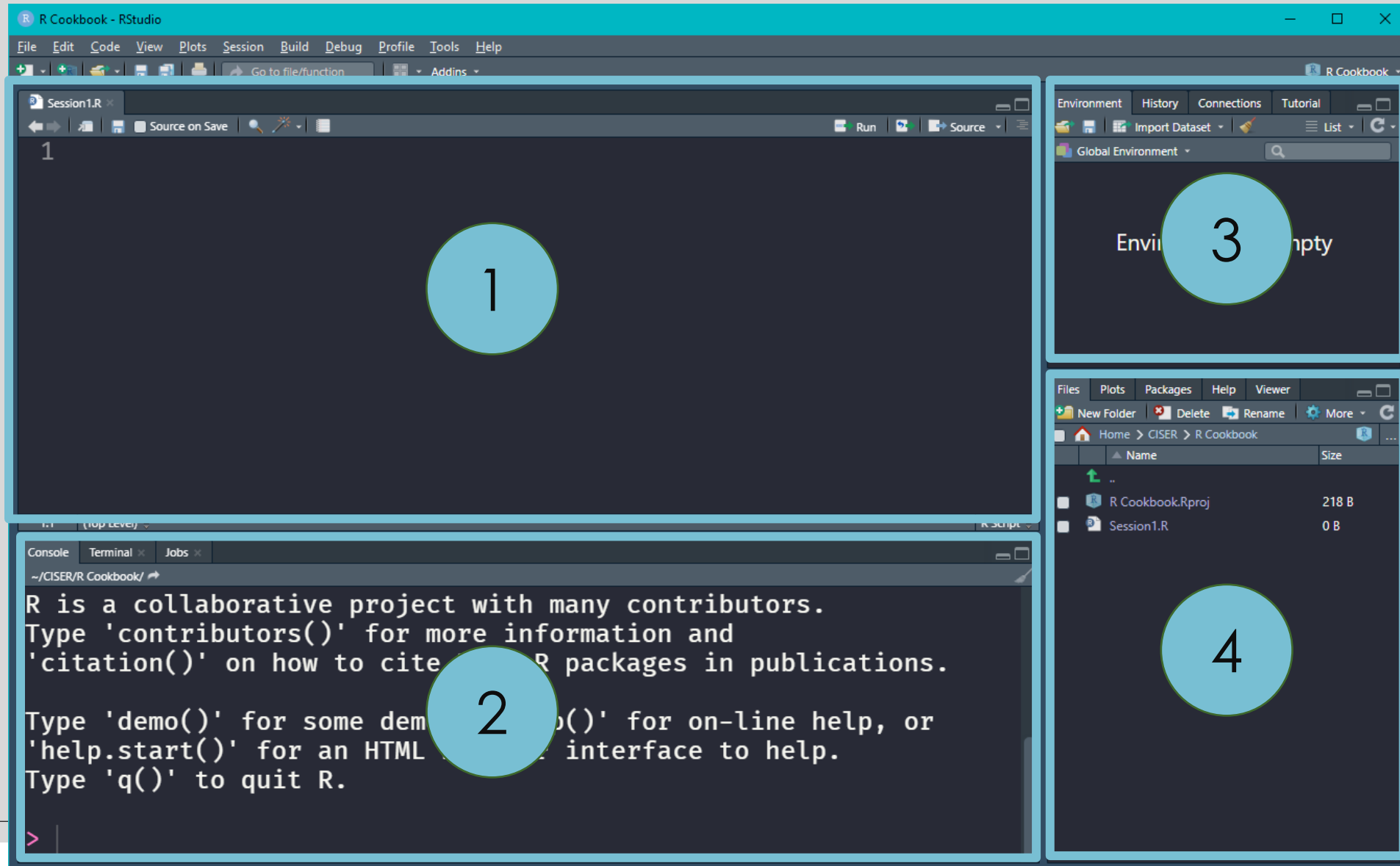
- Open RStudio



# Create an R Script



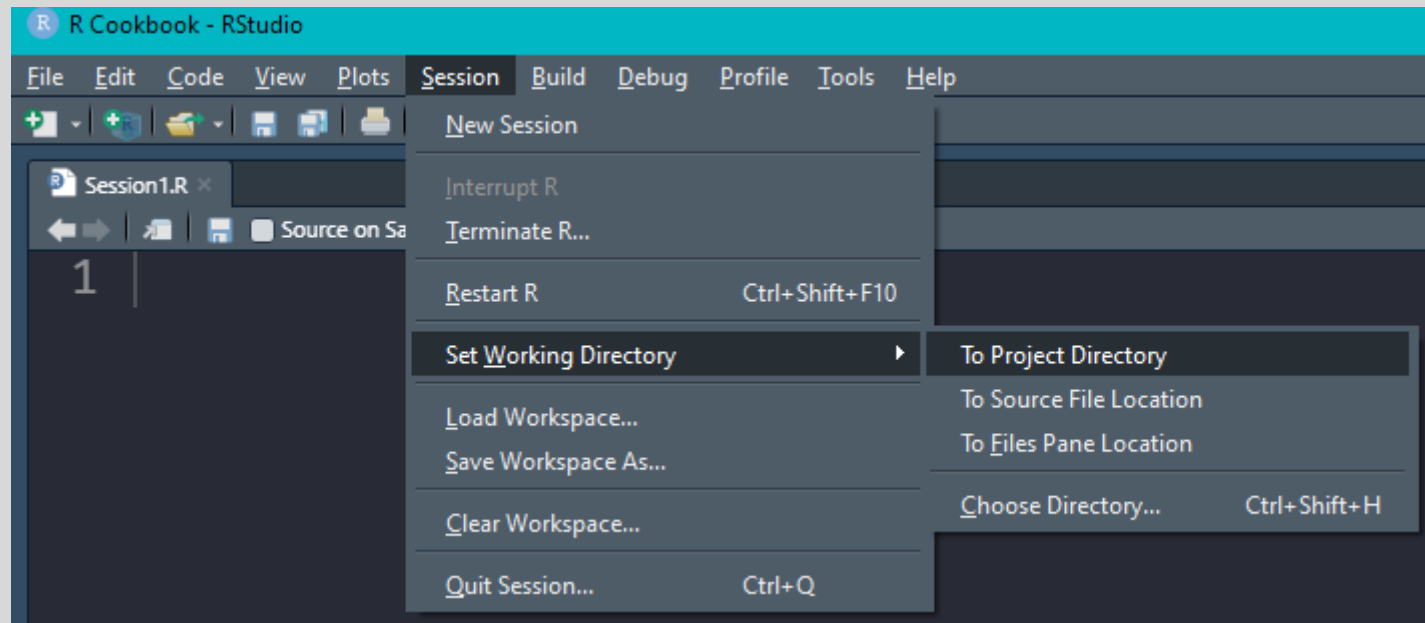
# Rundown of the Interface





# Current Working Directory

- Always make sure RStudio is accessing the directory you want!



# Operators in R

- Operator: Symbol that tells R what to do
- We'll focus on Arithmetic Operators, Assignment Operators, and Extraction Operators
- More info: [https://www.tutorialspoint.com/r/r\\_operators.htm](https://www.tutorialspoint.com/r/r_operators.htm)

# Arithmetic Operators

- $+$  : Addition
- $-$  : Subtraction
- $*$  : Multiplication
- $/$  : Division
- $\wedge$  : Exponentiation

# Vector Notation

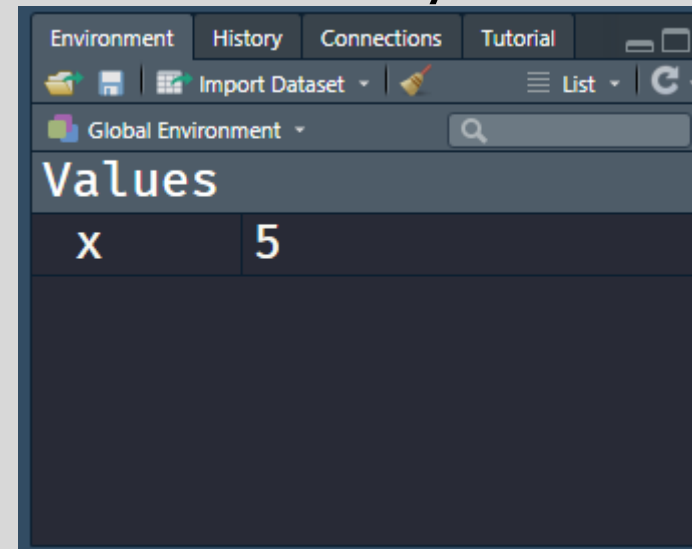
- We can create a vector by surrounding the values we want in the vector by `c()`

```
> c(1, 2, 3)
[1] 1 2 3
> c(1, 2, 3) + c(1, 2, 3)
[1] 2 4 6
> c(1, 2, 3) * c(1, 2, 3)
[1] 1 4 9
```

# Assignment Operator

- To store a value, we save it in a variable by assigning it
- This is done using ' $\leftarrow$ ' (shortcut alt-dash)

```
> x ← 5  
> x  
[1] 5
```

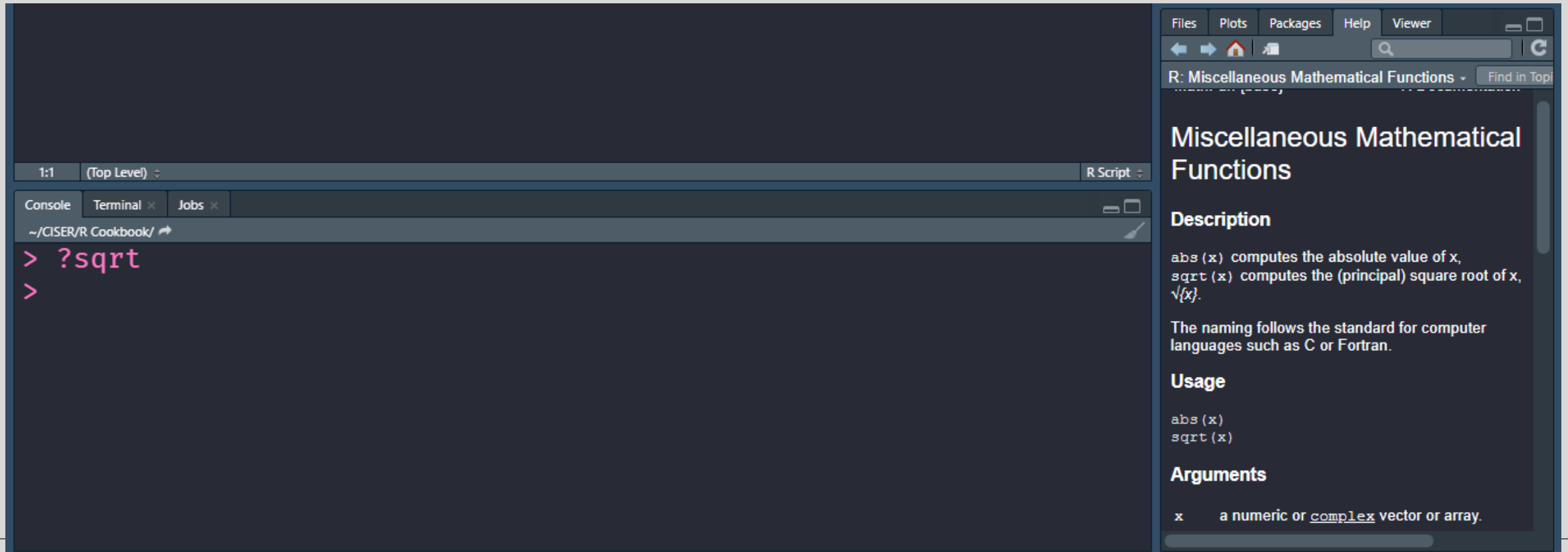


# Functions

- A function is basically a piece of code that performs a specific task
- Can take input through arguments
- Can return values as output
- Examples: sum, sqrt

# Function Help

- Not sure what a function does or how it works?



The screenshot shows the RStudio interface with the help documentation for the `sqrt` function open in the right-hand pane. The left pane shows the R console with the command `> ?sqrt` entered. The right pane displays the title "Miscellaneous Mathematical Functions" and the following content:

**Description**

`abs(x)` computes the absolute value of `x`,  
`sqrt(x)` computes the (principal) square root of `x`,  $\sqrt{x}$ .

The naming follows the standard for computer languages such as C or Fortran.

**Usage**

```
abs(x)  
sqrt(x)
```

**Arguments**

`x` a numeric or complex vector or array.

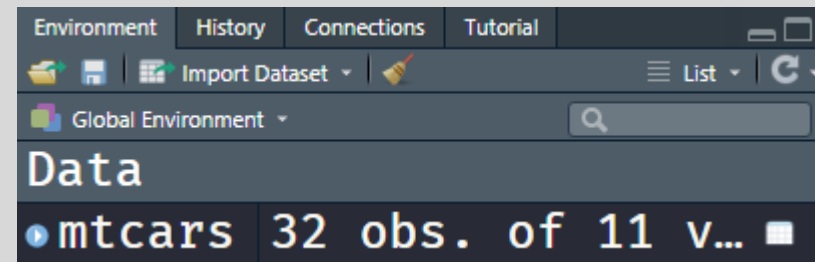
# Reading in Data

- Loading from a csv file:

```
> data ← read.csv('path/to/file.csv')
```

- Other examples: <http://www.r-tutor.com/r-introduction/data-frame/data-import>

```
> data("mtcars")
```





# Data Frames in R

- Data in R is usually stored in a Data Frame
- These consist of
  - Rows: these are the separate observations
  - Columns: these are the variables that were recorded

# Examining Data Frames

```
> head(mtcars)
```

	mpg	cyl	disp	hp	drat	wt	qsec	vs	am	gear	carb
Mazda RX4	21.0	6	160	110	3.90	2.620	16.46	0	1	4	4
Mazda RX4 Wag	21.0	6	160	110	3.90	2.875	17.02	0	1	4	4
Datsun 710	22.8	4	108	93	3.85	2.320	18.61	1	1	4	1
Hornet 4 Drive	21.4	6	258	110	3.08	3.215	19.44	1	0	3	1
Hornet Sportabout	18.7	8	360	175	3.15	3.440	17.02	0	0	3	2
Valiant	18.1	6	225	105	2.76	3.460	20.22	1	0	3	1

# Examining Data Frames

```
> nrow(mtcars)
[1] 32
> ncol(mtcars)
[1] 11
> names(mtcars)
[1] "mpg"  "cyl"  "disp" "hp"   "drat" "wt"   "qsec" "vs"   "am"   "gear"
[11] "carb"
```

# Examining Data Frames

```
> summary(mtcars)
```

mpg	cyl	disp	hp
Min. :10.40	Min. :4.000	Min. : 71.1	Min. : 52.0
1st Qu.:15.43	1st Qu.:4.000	1st Qu.:120.8	1st Qu.: 96.5
Median :19.20	Median :6.000	Median :196.3	Median :123.0
Mean :20.09	Mean :6.188	Mean :230.7	Mean :146.7
3rd Qu.:22.80	3rd Qu.:8.000	3rd Qu.:326.0	3rd Qu.:180.0
Max. :33.90	Max. :8.000	Max. :472.0	Max. :335.0

# Accessing Data

- How do we access specific data?
- Use the extraction operator: []
- Format: `dataframe[row, column]`

# Accessing Data

- Specific Cell:

```
> mtcars[3, 8]  
[1] 1
```

- Entire Row:

```
> mtcars[3, ]  
      mpg  cyl  disp  hp  drat    wt   qsec  vs  am  gear  carb  
Datsun 710 22.8   4  108  93  3.85  2.32 18.61  1  1     4     1
```

- Entire Column

```
> mtcars[, 8]  
[1] 0 0 1 1 0 1 0 1 1 1 1 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 1 1 1 0 0 0 0 1 0 1 0 0 0 1
```

# Accessing Data

- Ranges of Data: use ':'

```
> mtcars[1:4, 2:3]
```

	cyl	disp
Mazda RX4	6	160
Mazda RX4 Wag	6	160
Datsun 710	4	108
Hornet 4 Drive	6	258

# Accessing Data

- Accessing via Column Name
- `Dataframe['column_name']`
- `Dataframe$column_name`

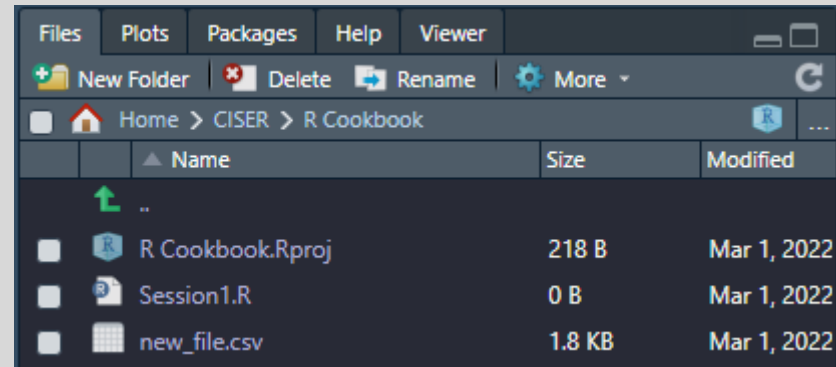
```
> mtcars$mpg
[1] 21.0 21.0 22.8 21.4 18.7 18.1 14.3 24.4 22.8 19.2 17.8 16.4 17.3 15.2
[15] 10.4 10.4 14.7 32.4 30.4 33.9 21.5 15.5 15.2 13.3 19.2 27.3 26.0 30.4
[29] 15.8 19.7 15.0 21.4
```



# Saving Data

- What if we want to reuse our data?
- Export it to a csv file!

```
> write.csv(mtcars, 'new_file.csv')
```



# Ending Notes

- Thanks for joining in – if you have any questions please ask!
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