R COOKBOOK – R STUDIO BASICS

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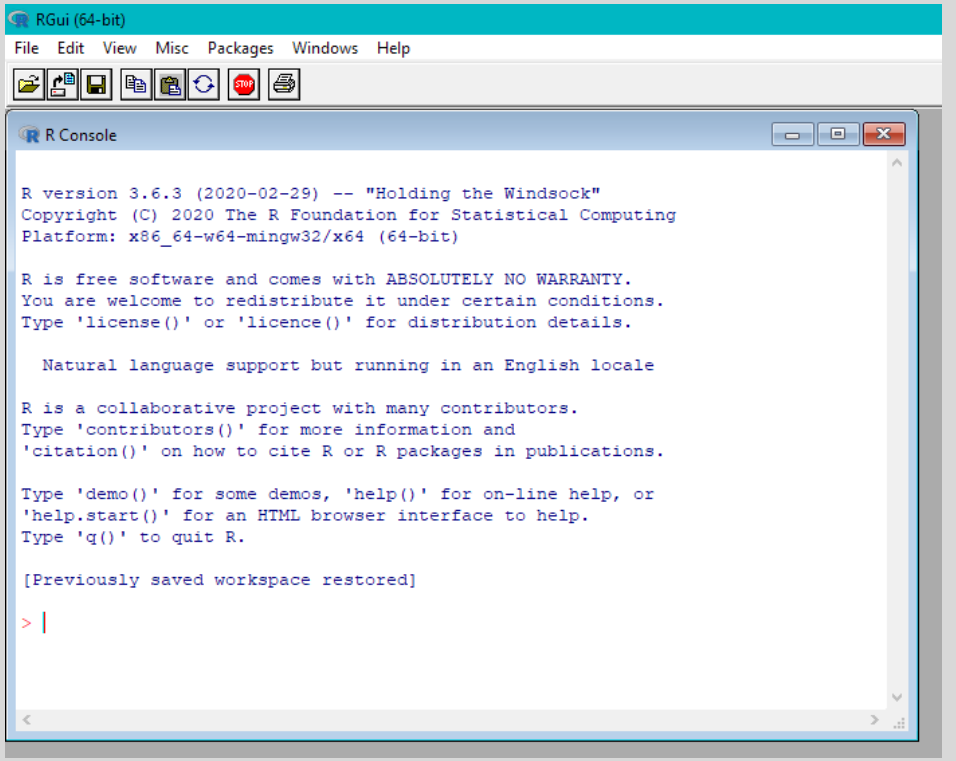
Session Info

- 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!

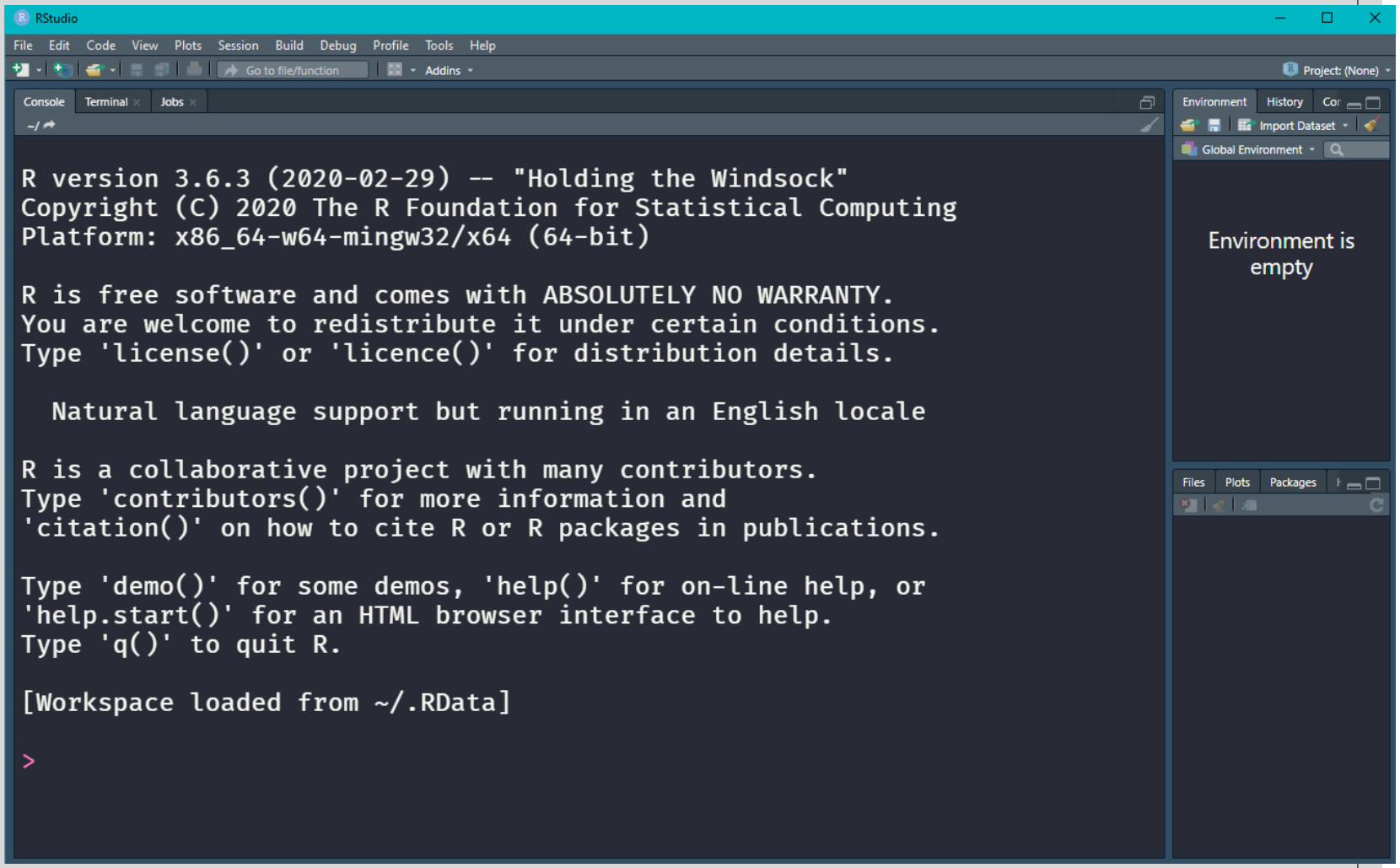
R vs RStudio

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



R vs RStudio

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

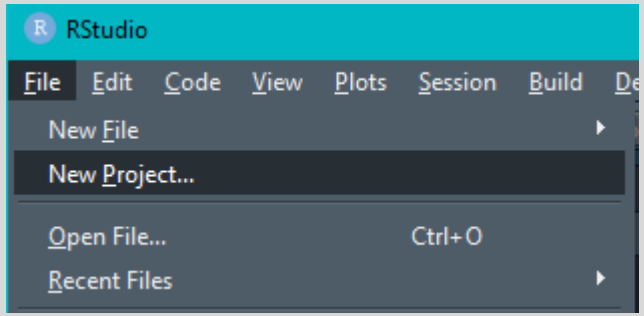


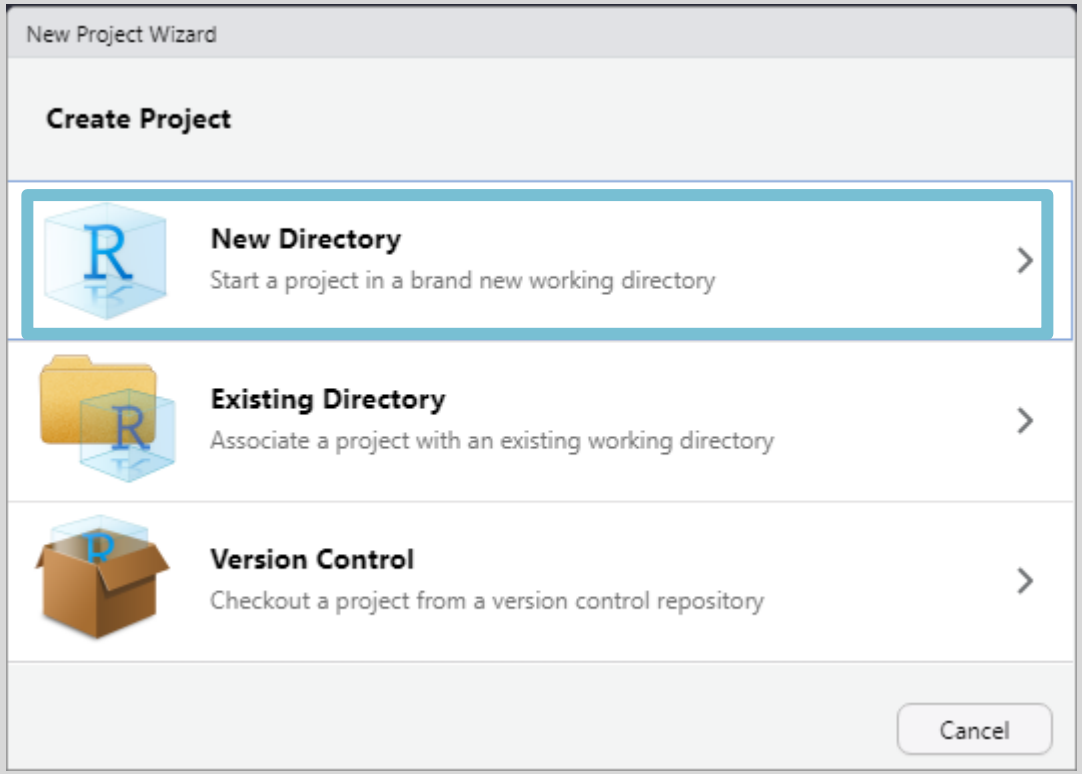
Why Choose R?

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

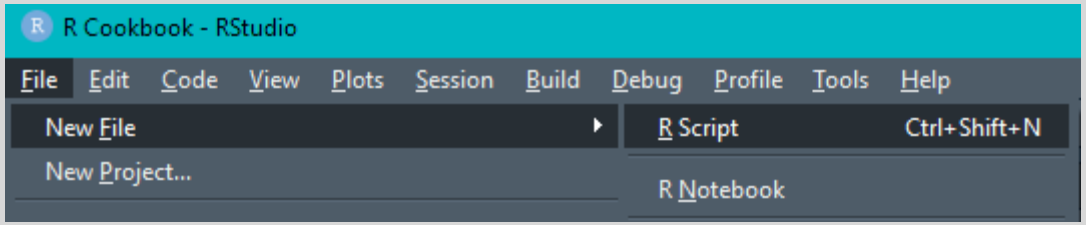
Setting Up Our Project

- Open RStudio

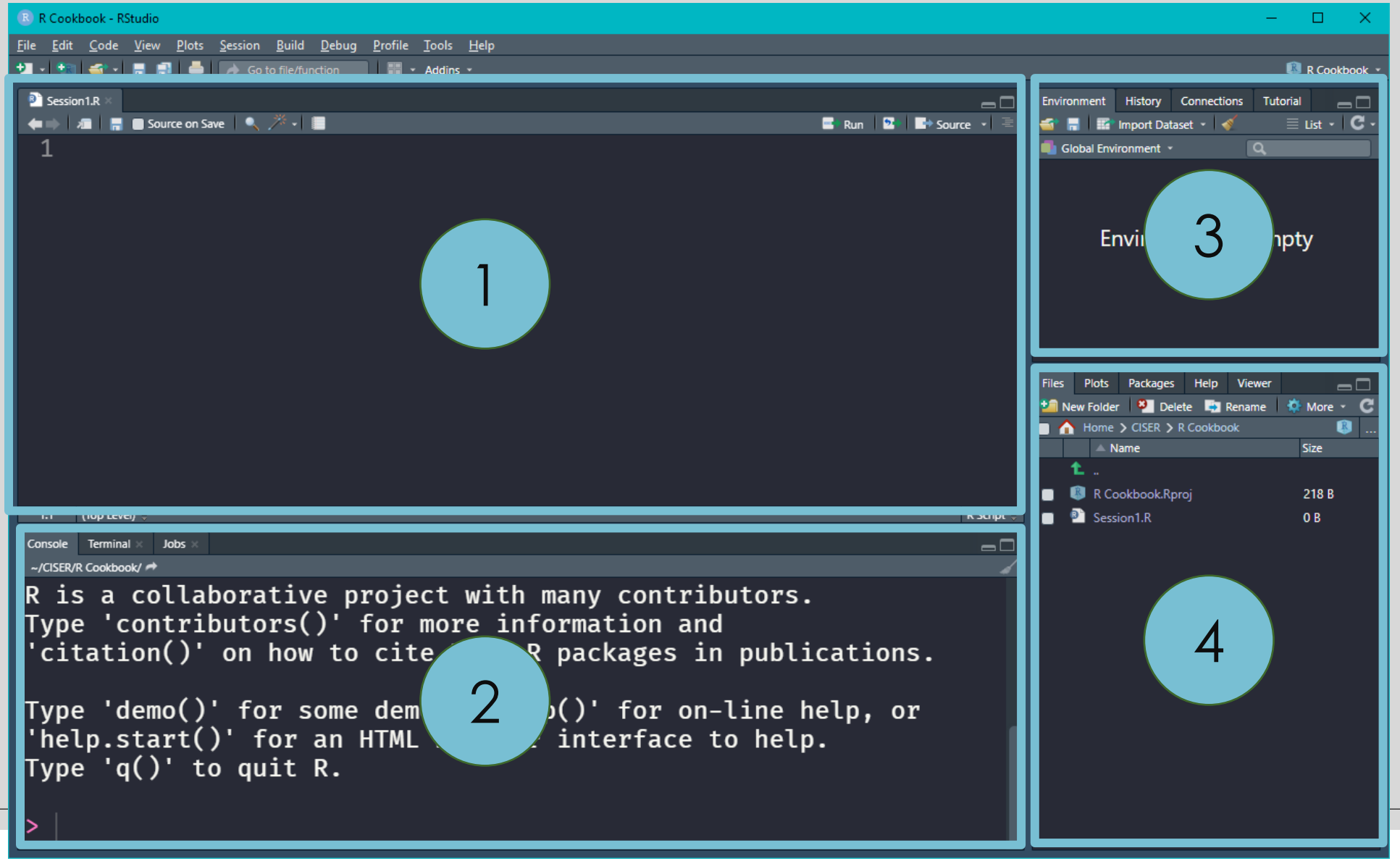




Create an R Script

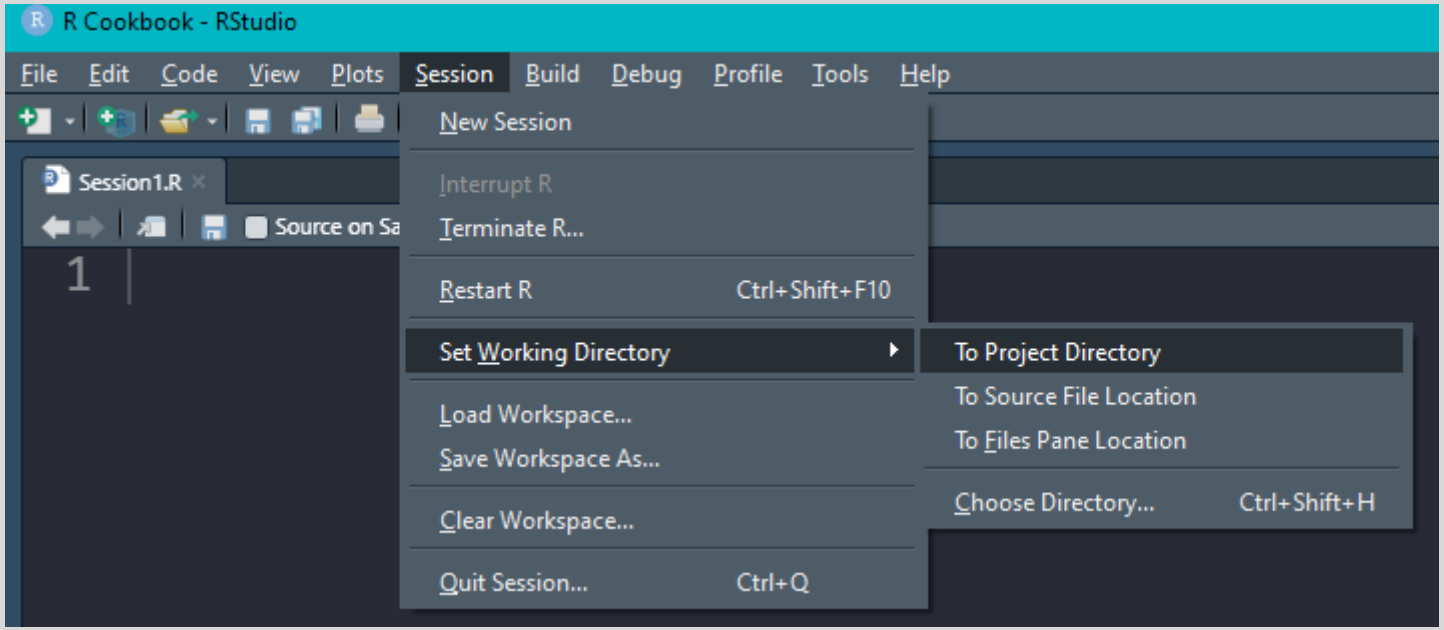


Rundown of the Interface



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

Arithmetic Operators

- + : Addition
- - : Subtraction
- * : Multiplication
- / : Division
- ^ : Exponentiation

Vector Notation

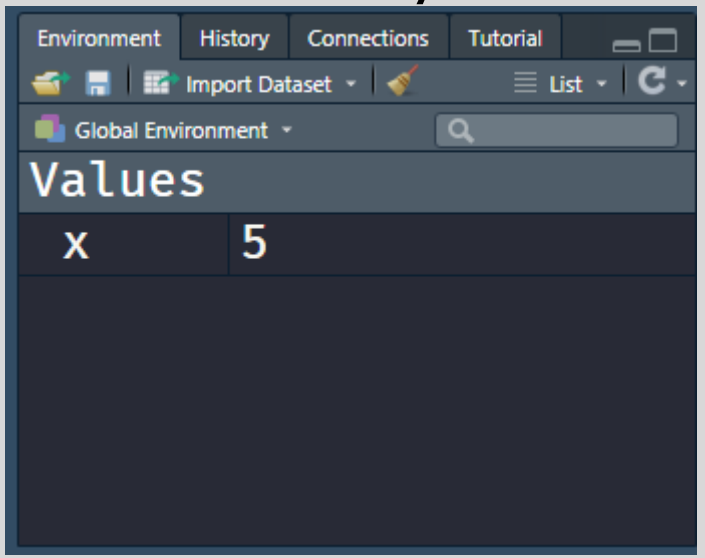
- We can create a vector by surrounding the values we want in the vector by c()

```
> 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 '<-' (shortcut alt-dash)

```
> x ← 5
> x
[1] 5
```

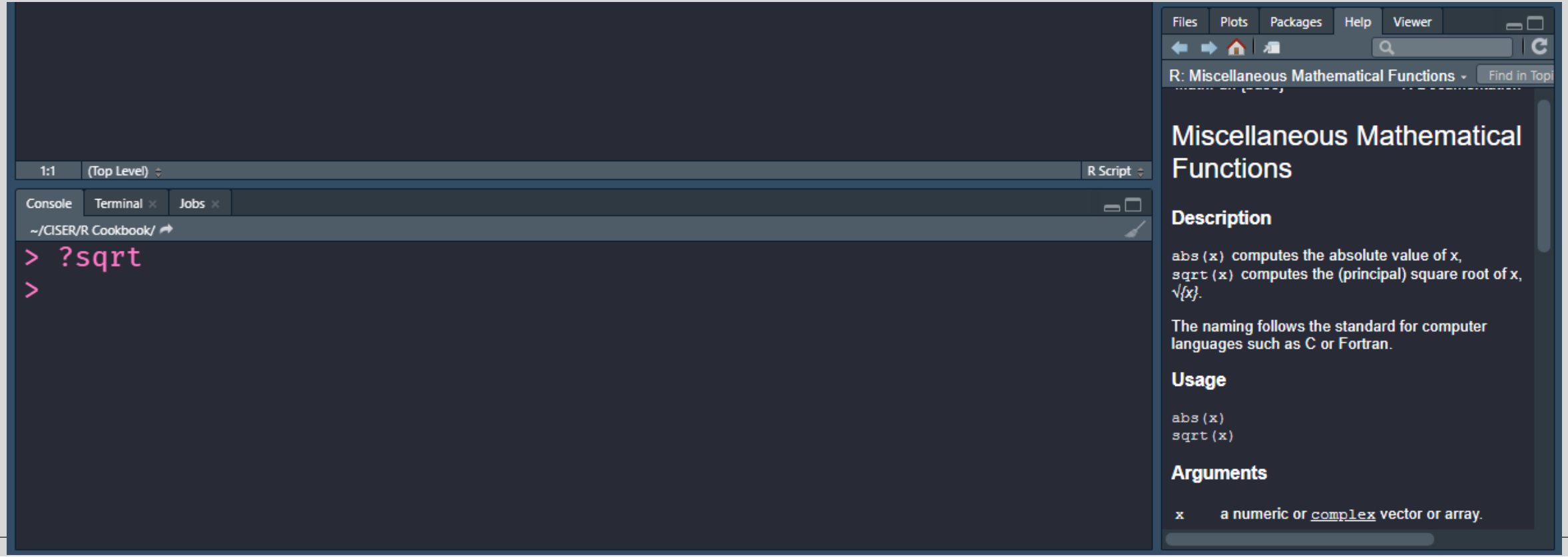


Functions

- 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?



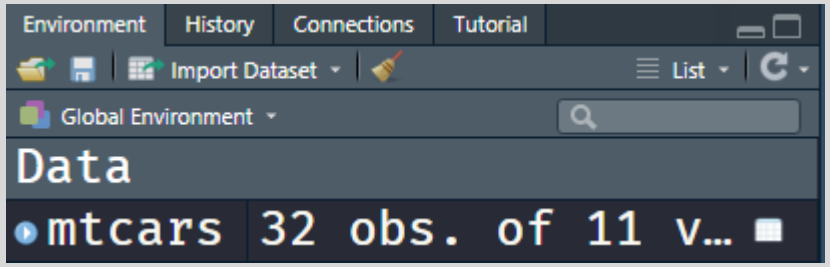
Reading in Data

- 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 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

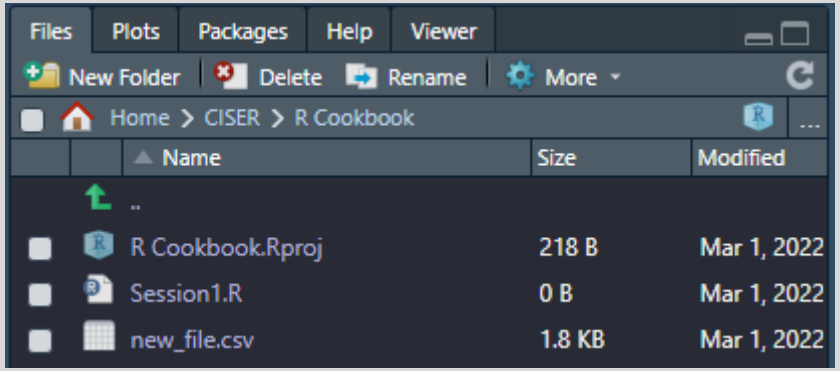
- Accessing via Column Name
- Dataframe[‘column_name’]
- Dataframe$column_name

```
> 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')
```



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