

# Introduction to R

BIOINF 525 Lab2-1

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# What is R?

- Powerful programming language designed for statistical analysis and graphics.
  - R is very popular in the field of bioinformatics.
  - Available for Mac, Windows and Unix.
  - Free but commercial quality.
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- [www.r-project.org](http://www.r-project.org)
  - [www.rstudio.com](http://www.rstudio.com)

# Preparation



Click the black terminal icon  
on the top toolbar to open a terminal.

- First make a new directory and open RStudio

```
$ mkdir ~/lab2.1
```

```
$ cd ~/lab2.1
```

```
$ rstudio
```

# RStudio

The screenshot shows the RStudio interface with several key components highlighted:

- Code Editor (Top Left):** A yellow box highlights the code area where a script is being written. The code shown is:

```
8 avesize <- round(mean(diamonds$carat), 4)
9 clarity <- levels(diamonds$clarity)
10
11 p <- qplot(carat, price,
12           data=diamonds, color=clarity,
13           xlab="Carat", ylab="Price",
14           main="Diamond Pricing")
15
```

- Data Workspace (Top Right):** A yellow box highlights the "Data" section showing the "diamonds" dataset with 53940 observations and 10 variables.
- Console (Bottom Left):** A yellow box highlights the console window where commands are entered and run. Examples include:

```
> summary(diamonds$price)
   Min. 1st Qu. Median 3rd Qu. Max.
326     950    2401   3933   5324  18820
> avesize <- round(mean(diamonds$carat), 4)
> clarity <- levels(diamonds$clarity)
```

- Plot Area (Bottom Right):** A yellow box highlights the plot titled "Diamond Pricing" showing a scatter plot of Price vs. Carat, colored by Clarity. The legend indicates the following mapping:
  - I1 (Red dots)
  - SI2 (Orange dots)
  - SI1 (Green dots)
  - VS2 (Dark Green dots)
  - VS1 (Cyan dots)

# As a calculator

```
> # This is a comment (begins with hash #)
```

```
> 10+10
```

```
> 10*10
```

```
> 10**10
```

OR

```
> 10^10
```

```
> # Follows order of operations
```

```
> 10+10/2
```

```
> (10+10)/2
```

```
> # Comparisons
```

```
> # logical values TRUE or FALSE
```

```
> 10 == 5
```

```
> 10 != 5
```

```
> 10 > 5
```

```
> 10 <= 5
```

# Saving variables

```
> a <- 10+10
```

OR

```
> a = 10+10
```

```
> a  
[1] 20
```

What happens if you type A instead of a?

# Vectors

```
> b <- c(1,2,3,4,5)
```

```
> b2 <- 1:5
```

```
> d <- seq(10,50,by=10)
```

```
> e <- rep(0,10)
```

What do b, b2, d, and e look like?

# Getting help

> # if you know the function

> help(mean)

OR

> ?mean

> # if you don't know the function

> help.search("variance")

OR

> ??variance

# More Vectors

```
> # logical vectors (TRUE or FALSE)
> d > 30

> # You can extract part of a vector
> d[1:2]
> d[d>30]

> # Everything except for a selection
> d[-(2:4)]
```

# More Vectors

```
> # character/string vectors  
  
> words=c('a', 'second', 'asdf')  
  
> words[1]  
  
> words[2]
```

# Matrices

```
> cbind(b,d)
```

How would you concatenate rows instead of columns?

```
> mat1=matrix(1:10, nrow=5, ncol=2, byrow=TRUE)  
> mat2=matrix(1:10, nrow=5, ncol=2, byrow=FALSE)
```

What's the difference between these two?

# More Matrices

```
> # Just like vectors, we can select part of a matrix  
  
> # What do each of these do?  
  
> mat1[1,2]          [,1] [,2]  
[1,]    1    2  
[2,]    3    4  
[3,]    5    6  
[4,]    7    8  
[5,]    9   10  
  
> mat1[2:3,1]  
  
> mat1[,1]  
  
> mat1[2,]  
  
> mat1[mat1>3]
```

# Vector and Matrix Math

```
> mat1
> t(mat1)
> mat1+mat1
> mat1 + 1
> mat1 * 4
```

	[,1]	[,2]
[1,]	1	2
[2,]	3	4
[3,]	5	6
[4,]	7	8
[5,]	9	10

```
> b*b
> mat1*mat1
```

	[1]	1	2	3	4	5
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# data.frames

```
> # A data frame is a list of vectors of the  
same length.
```

```
> num = c(7,8,9)  
> n = c("a","b","c")  
> l = c(TRUE,FALSE,TRUE)  
> df = data.frame(num,n,l)
```

	num	n	l
1	7	a	TRUE
2	8	b	FALSE
3	9	c	TRUE

# Generating normal random numbers

```
> rand=rnorm(10,mean=10,sd=4)
```

```
> mean(rand)  
> sd(rand)
```

Do these match our inputs?

```
> min(rand)  
> max(rand)
```

What are some other distributions?

How could we sample from those instead?

# Other Distributions

```
> runif(n, min, max)
> rpois(n, lambda)
> rbinom(n, size, prob)

> # Many more
> ?distributions
```

# Opening a file

What if we want to work with outside data?

`read.csv`, `read.delim`, `read.table`

```
> a = read.csv(filename,header,sep)
```

The `filename` is a string indicating which file to open (including the folders, etc.)

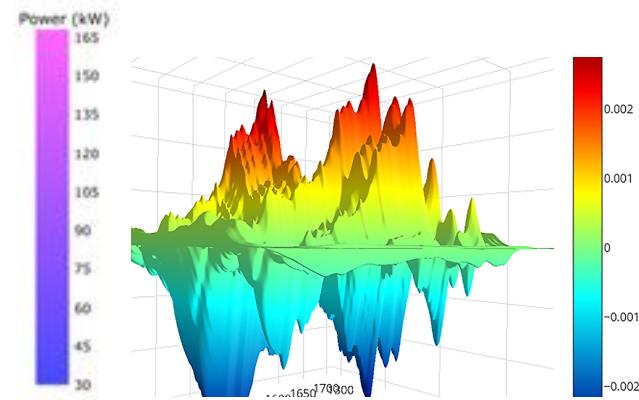
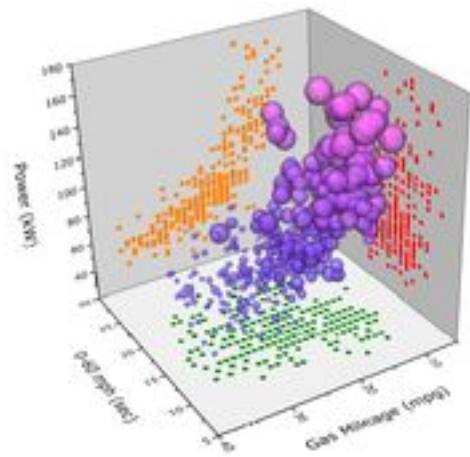
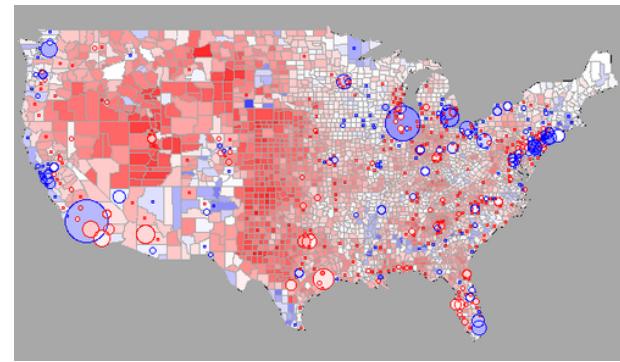
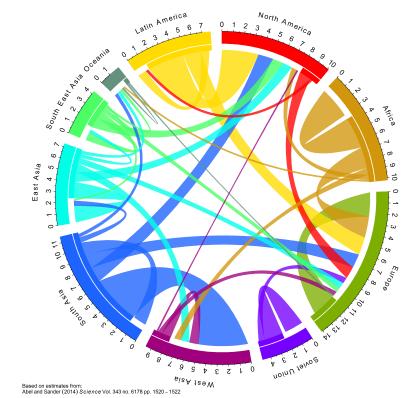
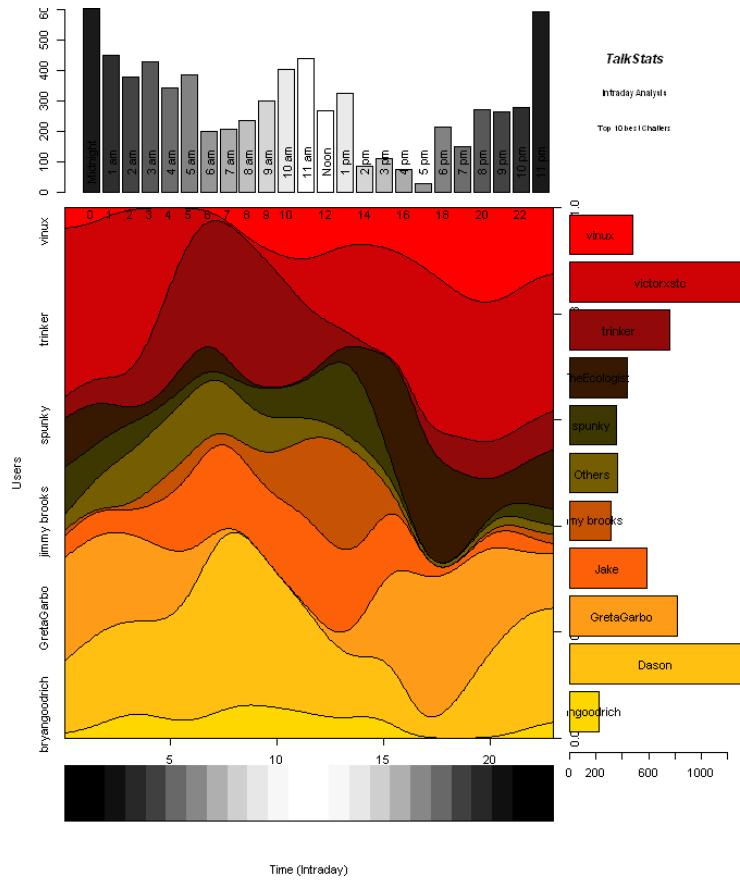
Example filename: “`~/Downloads/TROPHY.csv`”

For `read.csv()`, what do `header` and `sep` do?

# Plotting

```
> # Create 2 vectors of 1000 random  
> # numbers from a normal distribution  
> # with mean of 0 and sd of 10  
  
> rand1=rnorm(1000,mean=0,sd=10)  
> rand2=rnorm(1000,mean=0,sd=10)  
> plot(rand1,rand2)  
> hist(rand1)  
> boxplot(rand1)
```

# Virtually endless plotting capabilities....



# Tutorials and references

- <http://cran.r-project.org/doc/manuals/R-intro.html>
- <http://www.statmethods.net/>
- <http://bioinformatics.knowledgeblog.org/2011/06/21/using-r-a-guide-for-complete-beginners/>
- <http://www.cyclismo.org/tutorial/R/>
- Many, many more on the internet.