

**457.212 Statistics for Civil & Environmental Engineers**  
**In-Class Material: Class 01**  
**Introduction to Course & “R” Software Environment**

1. Instructor: Prof. Junho Song (<http://systemreliability.wordpress.com>)
2. Course introduction: Check syllabus and calendar (available at <http://etl.snu.ac.kr/>)
3. What is “R”?

- (a) Past, present and future of R  
(<https://simplystatistics.org/2018/07/12/use-r-keynote-2018/>)

“R is a **free** software environment for **statistical computing** and **graphics**”  
- <https://www.r-project.org/>

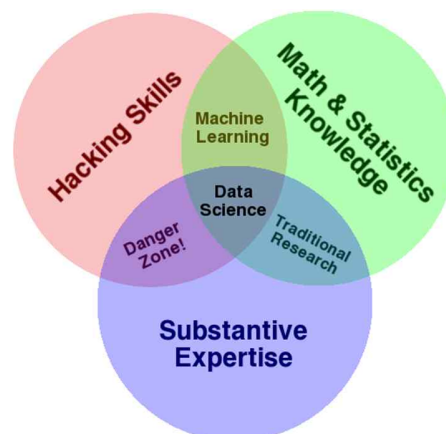
“The tidyverse (R package collection) is an opinionated collection of R packages designed for **data science**”  
- <https://www.tidyverse.org/>

- (b) Why named R?

R was developed by **Ross Ihaka** and **Robert Gentleman** (initial version and first stable beta versions released in 1995 and 2000) using the **S** programming language.

- (c) But... why in this course, Prof. Song?

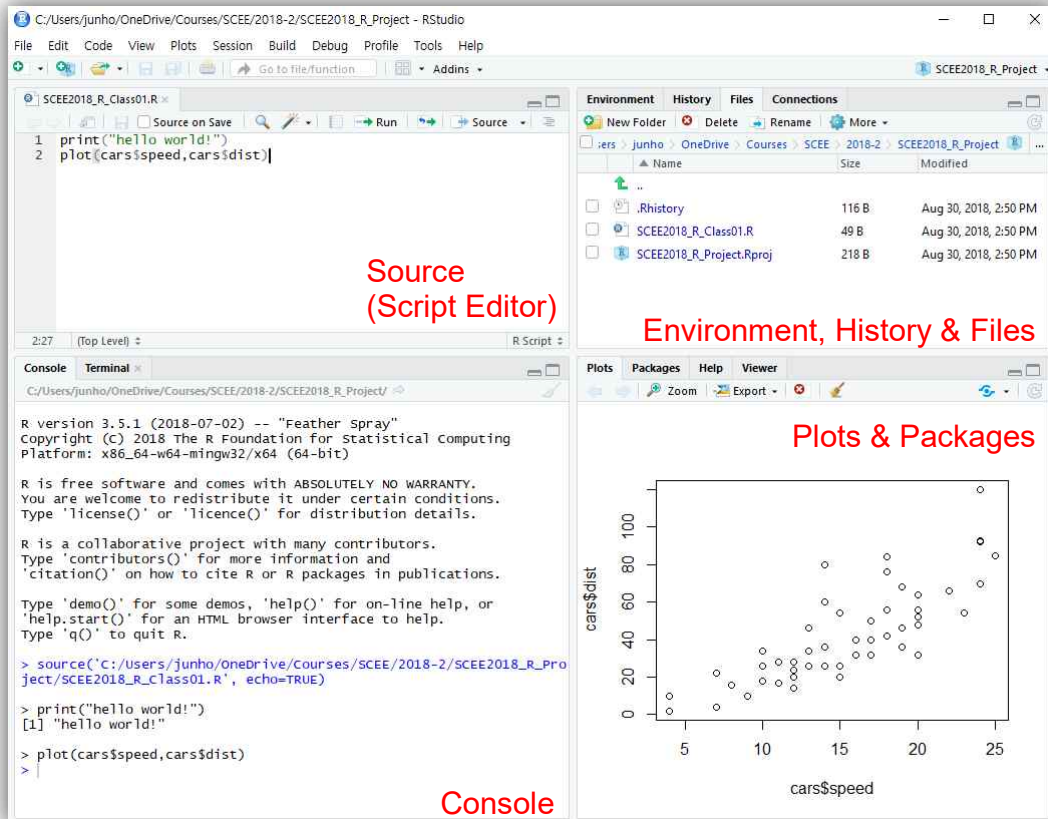
- “Practice does not make perfect. Only perfect practice makes perfect.” – Vince Lombardi: What is a perfect practice to learn p\_\_\_\_\_ and s\_\_\_\_\_?
- Introduction to civil and environmental engineering via r\_\_\_\_\_ d\_\_\_\_\_
- They say it’s a golden age of data science. But who is a d\_\_\_\_\_ s\_\_\_\_\_? This course provides math & statistics knowledge in the context of civil and environmental engineering (i.e. domain expertise). What about introduction to “hacking skills”?



The Data Science Venn Diagram (<http://drewconway.com/zia/2013/3/26/the-data-science-venn-diagram>)

#### 4. Recommended software environment for R: R Studio

- First, download and install R “base” on your computer: <https://www.r-project.org/>
- Download and install the most popular integrated development environment (IDE) of R, called RStudio from <https://www.rstudio.com/products/rstudio/>
- The interface of RStudio:



#### (d) Tips & recommendations

- Create a Project by “File→New Project” menu
- Choose “New Directory” option to create a working folder for your project
- Create an R Script file by “File→New File→R Script” menu
- You can create your own interface layout at “View→Panels→Pane Layout” Menu
- “Ctrl+Enter”: Run the commands in the current line or selected area in the Editor
- “Ctrl+Shift+Enter” or “Ctrl+Shift+S”: Run the entire script with/without echoes
- Set your working folder as the default one by “Set as Working Directory”

#### (e) References for R and RStudio

- The R Project (<https://www.r-project.org/>): Check “Manuals” and “Books” sections
- RStudio Website: Check “Resources” section

## 5. Basics of the R language

(a) “R may be seen as a powerful calculator” (Härdle et al. 2017)

Table 1.1 Fundamental operations

Function name	Example	Result
Addition	1 + 2	3
Subtraction	1 - 2	-1
Multiplication	1 * 2	2
Division	1 / 2	0.5
Raising to a power	3^2	9
Integer division	5 %/% 2	2
Modulo division	5 %% 2	1

Table 1.2 Basic functions

Function name	Example	Result
Square root	<code>sqrt(2)</code>	1.414214
Sine	<code>sin(pi)</code>	1.224606e-16
Cosine	<code>cos(pi)</code>	-1
Tangent	<code>tan(pi/4)</code>	1
Arcsine	<code>asin(pi/4)</code>	0.903339
Arccosine	<code>acos(0)</code>	1.570796
Arctangent	<code>atan(1)</code>	0.785398
Arctan(y/x)	<code>atan2(1, 2)</code>	0.463647
Hyperbolic sine	<code>sinh(1)</code>	1.175201
Hyperbolic cosine	<code>cosh(0)</code>	1
Hyperbolic tangent	<code>tanh(pi)</code>	0.9962721
Exponential	<code>exp(1)</code>	2.718282
Logarithm	<code>log(1)</code>	0

Table 1.3 Comparison relations

Meaning	Example	Result
Smaller	5 < 5	FALSE
Smaller or equal	3 <= 4	TRUE
Bigger	7 > 2	TRUE
Bigger or equal	5 >= 5	TRUE
Unequal	2 != 1	TRUE
Logical equal	<code>pi == acos(-1)</code>	TRUE

Can you guess the result of the followings? (Hint: Euler’s identity)

```
i = complex(real=0, imaginary=1)
exp(i*pi) == cos(pi)+i*sin(pi)
exp(i*pi) != cos(pi)+i*sin(pi)
```

(b) Assigning variables (cf. deleting: `rm(variable)` or `rm(list=ls())`)

```
a = pi; a
b <- 2.0; b
c1 <- a; c1
b -> c2; c2
sin(c1*c2)
```

## 6. Array

- (a) There are three types/categories of data: *numerical*, *character* and *logical*

```
x = 1.25 # numerical
y = "Hello" # character
z = x > 3 # logical
```

- (b) Data structures in R: Arrays, data frames and lists

	Array	Data Frame	List
Data type	Same	Flexible	Flexible
Length	Same (for matrix)	Same	Flexible

- (c) **Vector**: one-dimensional array

Creating a vector using `c()` function – “concatenate”

```
v1 = c(1.3, 2*pi, sqrt(2))
v1[3]
```

Basic vector operations

```
v2 = v1*2
v3 = v1+3
v4 = v2*v3 # Element-wise multiplication
v5 = v3*v3^(-1) # Element-wise inversion and product
v1 <= 1.3 # Element-wise logical operation (>,<,>=,<=,==,!=)
```

Creating a vector using colon, `array()` or `seq()` functions

```
c(1:10)
c(1, 3:10)
array(1:3, 8) # Repeat 1:3, but cannot exceed 8 elements
seq(1, 10) # From 1 to 10 (default increment = 1)
seq(1, 10, by=2) # Increment = 2
seq(1, 10, length.out=3) # Increment determined to have 3 elements
```

Selecting, excluding and locating elements

```
v1[c(1, 3)] # 1st and 3rd element only
v1[v1>1.3] # elements greater than 1.3 only
v1[-2] # Excluding 2nd element
which(v1>1.3) # Locating elements satisfying the equation
```

Note: `()` is used to provide arguments for functions while `[]` is used to access elements or part of arrays or data frames.

(d) **Matrix**: two-dimensional array

Creating a matrix using `matrix()` or transforming a vector to matrix by `dim()`

```
matrix(0,2,5) # matrix of zeros, 2x5
matrix(1:12, nrow=3) # Put 1 to 12 into 3x? matrix (column-wise)
matrix(1:12, ncol=3, byrow=TRUE) # row-wise

m = 1:6
dim(m) = c(2,3) # Change the dimension to 2x3 matrix
```

Locating element, row, column or submatrix

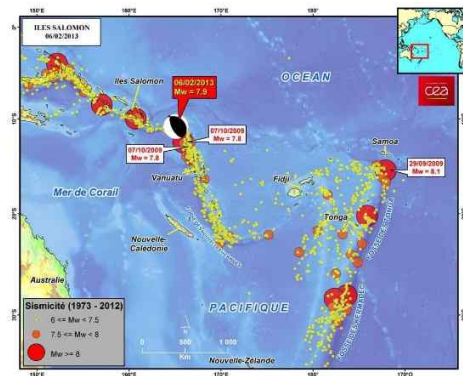
```
y = matrix(c(1,3:17),4,4) # 4x4 matrix with 1,3,...,17

y[2,3] # Element at 2nd row and 3rd column
y[2,] # 2nd row
y[,2] # 2nd column
y[3] # 3rd element in the column-wise sequence
y[1:2, 3:4] # submatrix: 1st and 2nd rows + 3rd and 4th columns
```

(e) Example (numeric) matrix available in R base package: `quakes`

- Details:  
<https://rdrr.io/r/datasets/quakes.html>
- Numeric matrix array with \_\_\_\_\_ rows and \_\_\_\_\_ columns

(Figure credit: [http://www-dase cea.fr/actu/dossiers\\_scientifiques/2013-02-06/index\\_en.html](http://www-dase cea.fr/actu/dossiers_scientifiques/2013-02-06/index_en.html))



```
?quakes # '?' to get help regarding data, packages and functions
dim(quakes) # check the dimension of the matrix
summary(quakes) # summarize the data set
pairs(quakes, main = "Fiji Earthquakes, N = 1000", cex.main = 1.2,
pch = "o") # Create a scatterplot matrices

# Exercise 01: access 1st and 2nd columns and assign variables
"Latitude" and "Longitude" respectively

# Exercise 02: create a scatter plot for pairs of Longitude (x-axis)
and Latitude (y-axis)
```

## 7. Data Frame

- Looks like a matrix, but its columns can have different data types
- Example of constructing a data frame using `data.frame()` function

```
cities = c("Berlin", "New York", "Paris", "Tokyo")
```

```
area = c(892, 1214, 105, 2188)
population = c(3.4, 8.1, 2.1, 12.9)
continent = factor(c("Europe", "North America", "Europe", "Asia"))
myframe = data.frame(cities, area, population, continent)

# Assign names to rows
rownames(myframe) = c("Berlin", "New York", "Paris", "Tokyo")
# Assign names to columns (default: original vector names)
colnames(myframe) = c("City", "Area", "Pop.", "Continent")
```

Note: `factor()` function is needed when used as indicators

(c) Augmenting the data frame with a new vector

```
f = factor(c("Inland", "Coastal", "Inland", "Coastal"))
myframe = data.frame(myframe, f)
colnames(myframe)[5] = "Prox.Sea"
```

Alternatively,

```
myframe = cbind(myframe, "Prox.Sea" = factor(c("Inland", "Coastal",
"Inland", "Coastal")))
```

(d) Addressing one particular column in a data frame

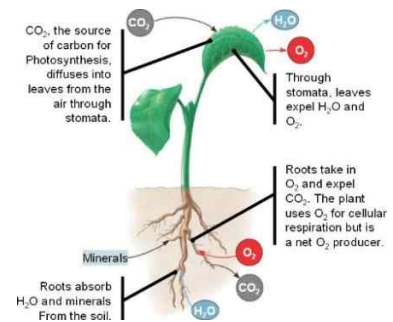
```
myframe$Area
myframe[,2]
myframe[, "Area"]

myframe["Area"] # gives a subdata frame
```

(e) Example data frame available in R base package:  
CO2

- Details:  
<https://rdrr.io/rforge/MEMSS/man/CO2.html>
- Data frame with \_\_\_\_\_ rows and \_\_\_\_\_ columns

(Figure credit:  
[http://bio1903.nicerweb.com/Locked/media/ch37/plant\\_nutrient.html](http://bio1903.nicerweb.com/Locked/media/ch37/plant_nutrient.html))



```
?CO2
dim(CO2)
summary(CO2)

# Exercise 01: access 4th and 5th columns of the data frame and
store their first seven elements in "conc_Qn1" and "uptake_Qn1",
respectively

# Exercise 02: show the scatter plot for conc_Qn1 and uptake_Qn1
```