

Gentle introduction to R for language analysis

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R is an open-source, community-driven, and cost-free environment for statistical computing. In many areas of academic research, it has recently become (or is becoming) a de facto standard for data analysis and visualization. It is also making steady inroads into the realm of linguistic research. However, young linguists aspiring to try it out often find it daunting and get discouraged.

This workshop will offer a gentle, non-threatening introduction to R for language analysis. I plan to work with you through some of the many possible applications for analysis and visualization. Upon completion, you should be able to follow up on your own using the many available learning resources.

For this workshop, you will need a portable computer or tablet running Windows, MacOS or Linux. Please install R (https://www.r-project.org/), and then RStudio Desktop (https://rstudio.com/products/rstudio/download/), appropriate for your system.