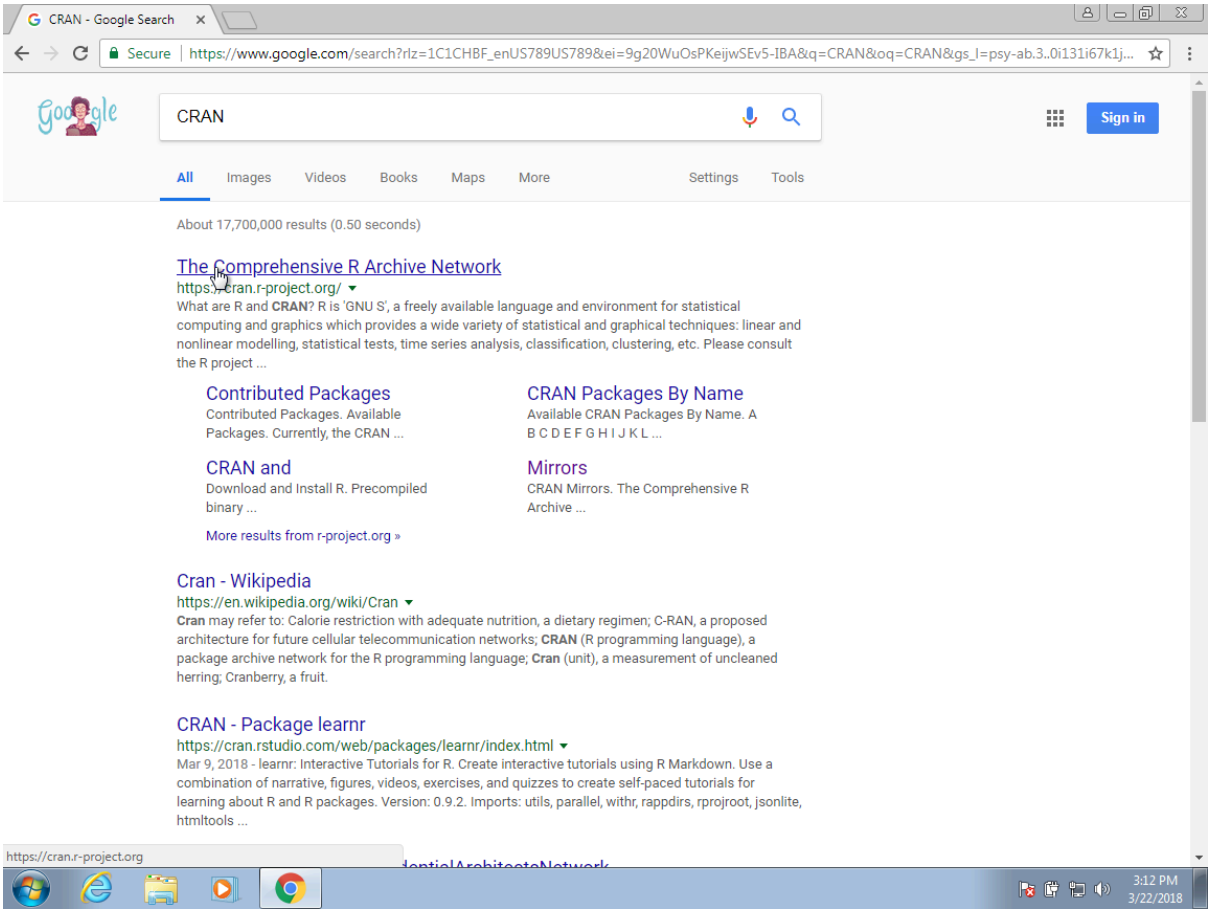
Installing R and RStudio

The instructions below include screen shots from the installation process in which we used the Chrome browser which, although not necessary, you can freely download and install from here: https://www.google.com/chrome/.

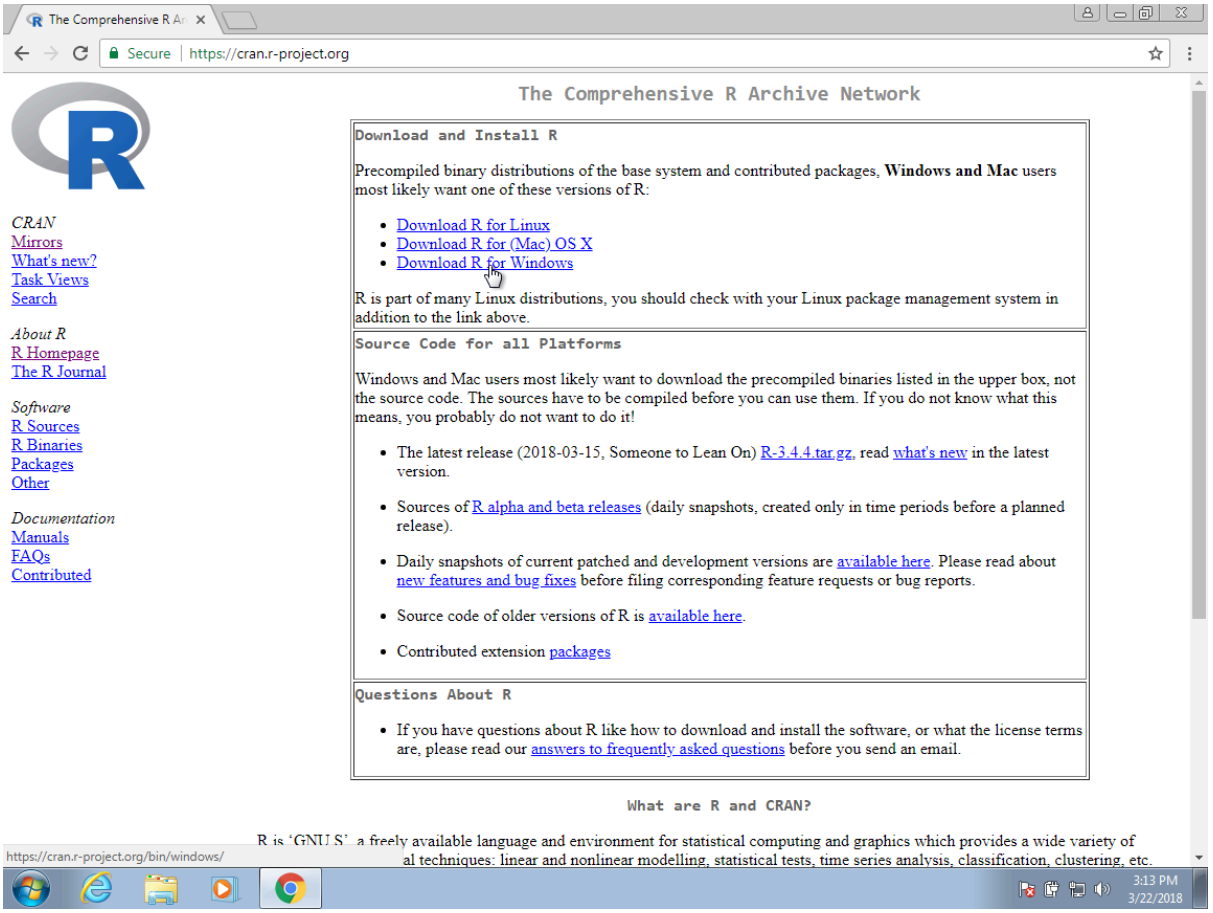
Installing R

RStudio is an interactive desktop environment, but it is not R, nor does it include R when you download and install it. Therefore, to use RStudio, we first need to install R.

1. You can download R from the Comprehensive R Archive Network (CRAN). Search for CRAN on your browser:

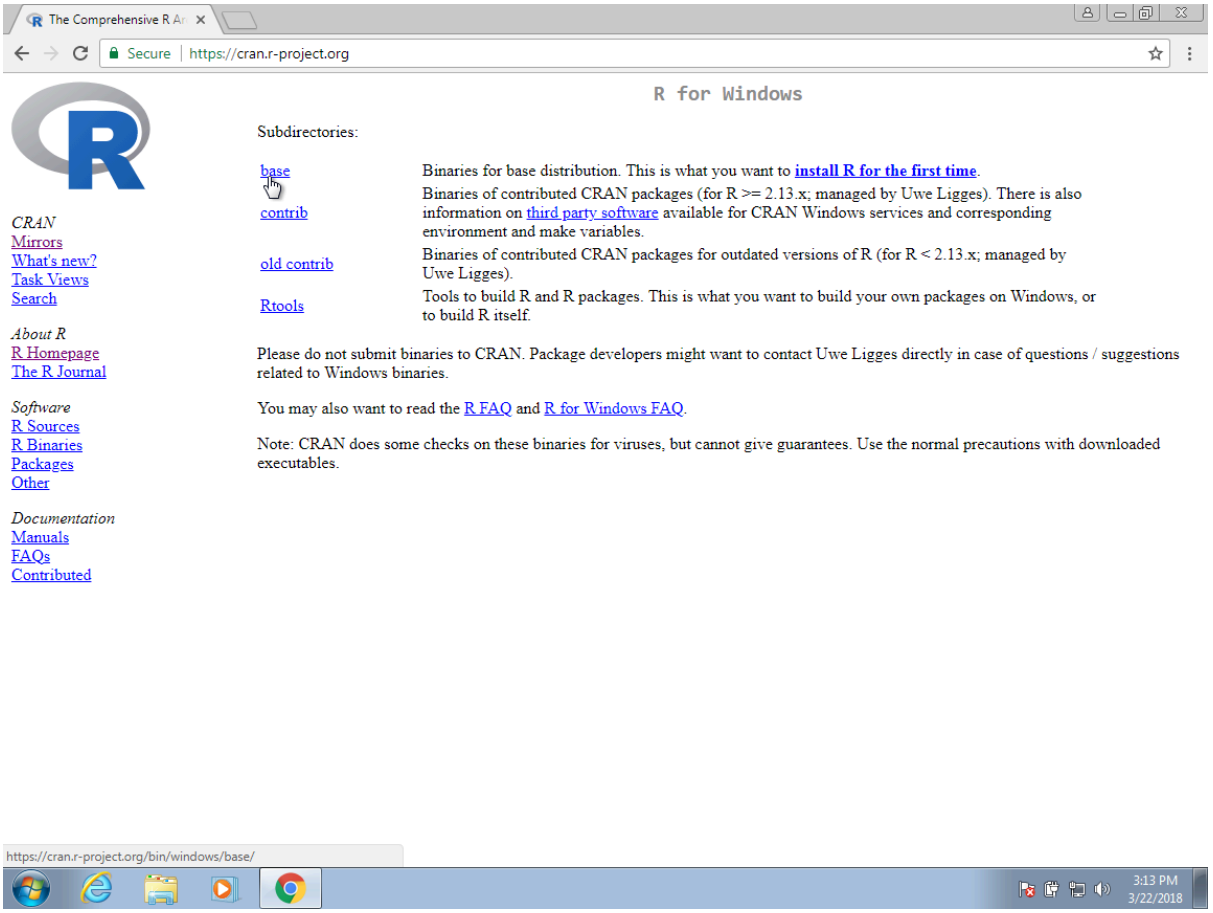


2. Once on the CRAN page, select the version for your operating system: Linux, Mac OS X, or Windows.

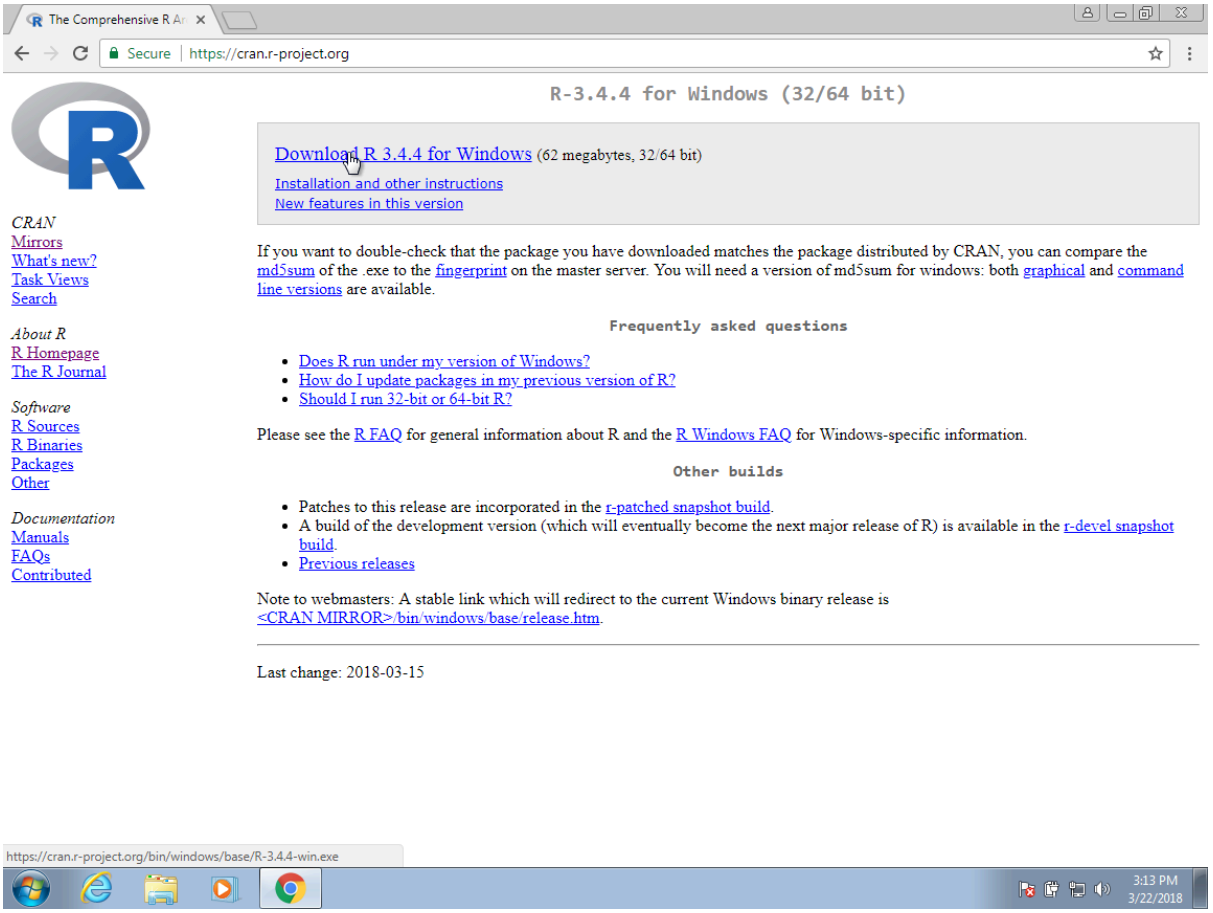


Here we show screenshots for Windows, but the process is similar for the other platforms. When they differ, we will also show screenshots for Mac OS X.

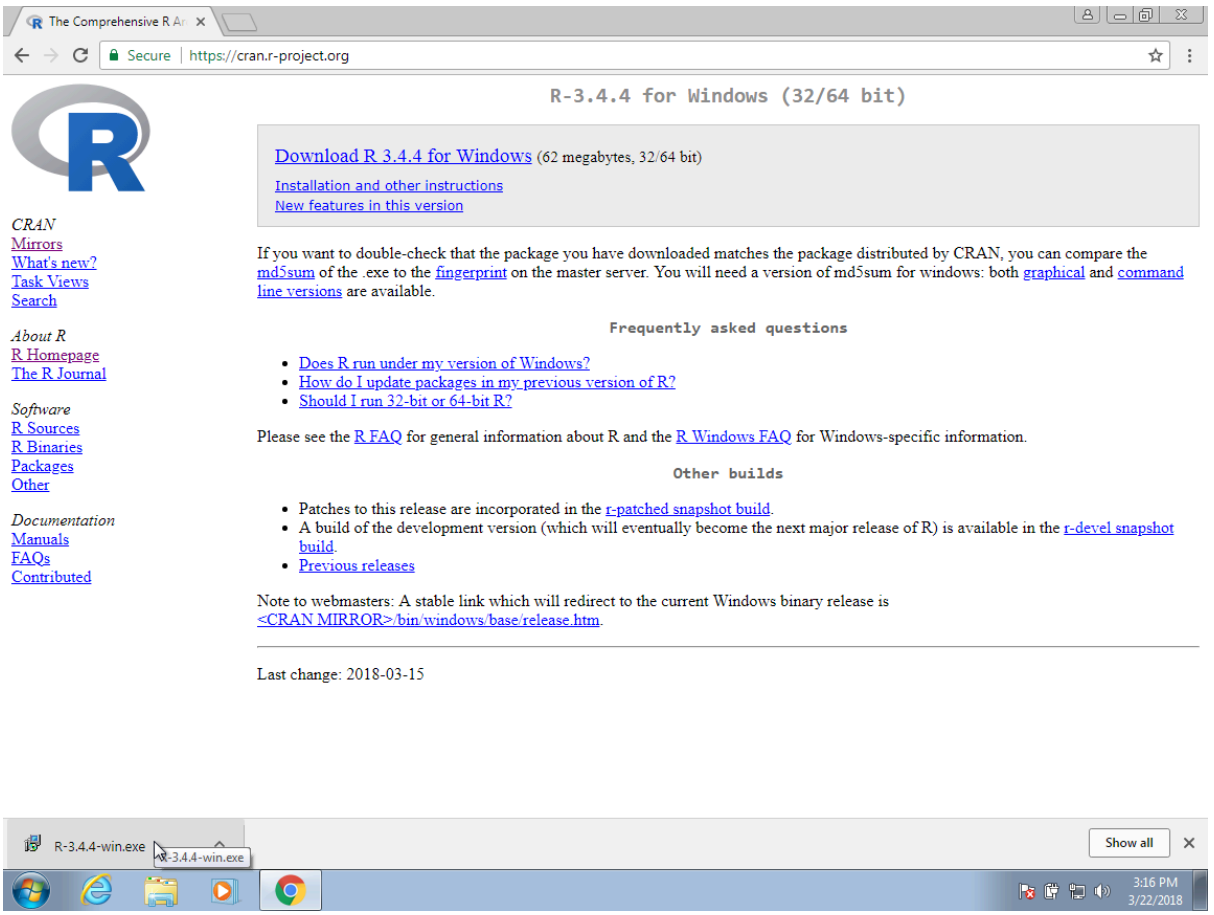
3. Once at the CRAN download page, you will have several choices. You want to install the *base* subdirectory. This installs the basic packages you need to get started. We will later learn how to install other needed packages from within R, rather than from this webpage.



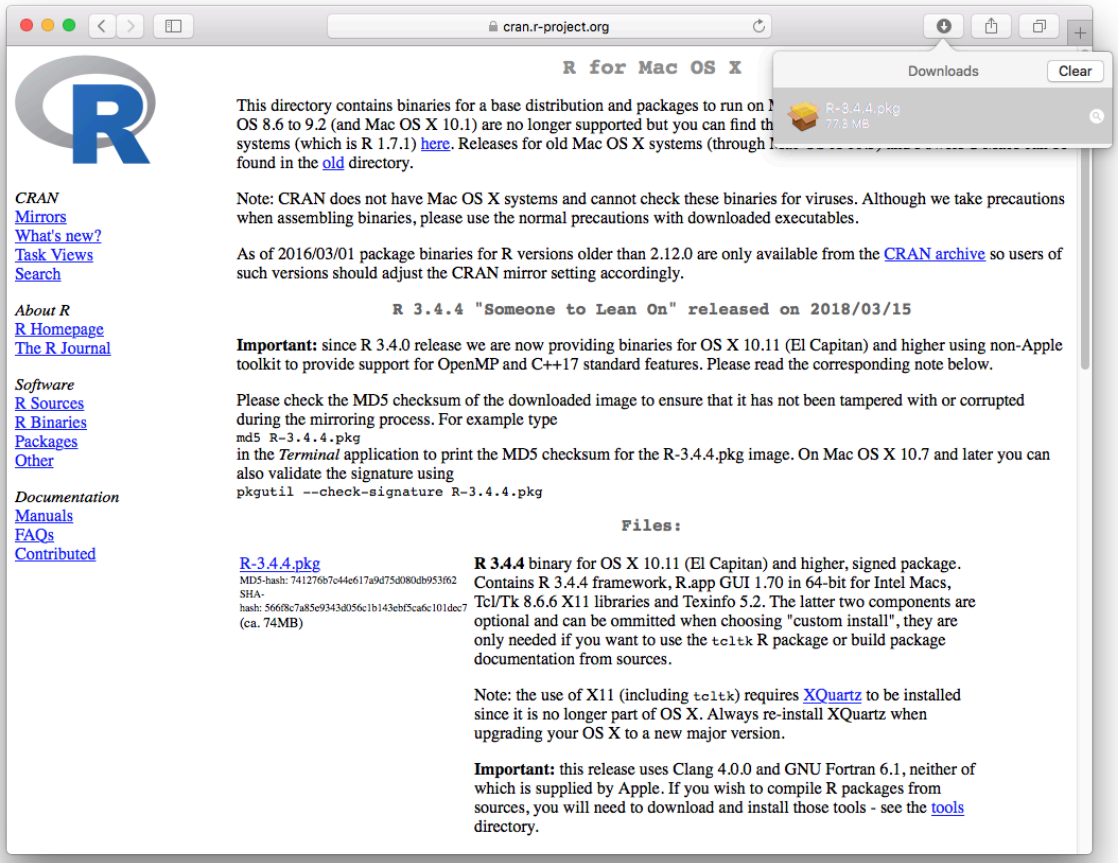
4. Click on the link for the latest version to start the download.



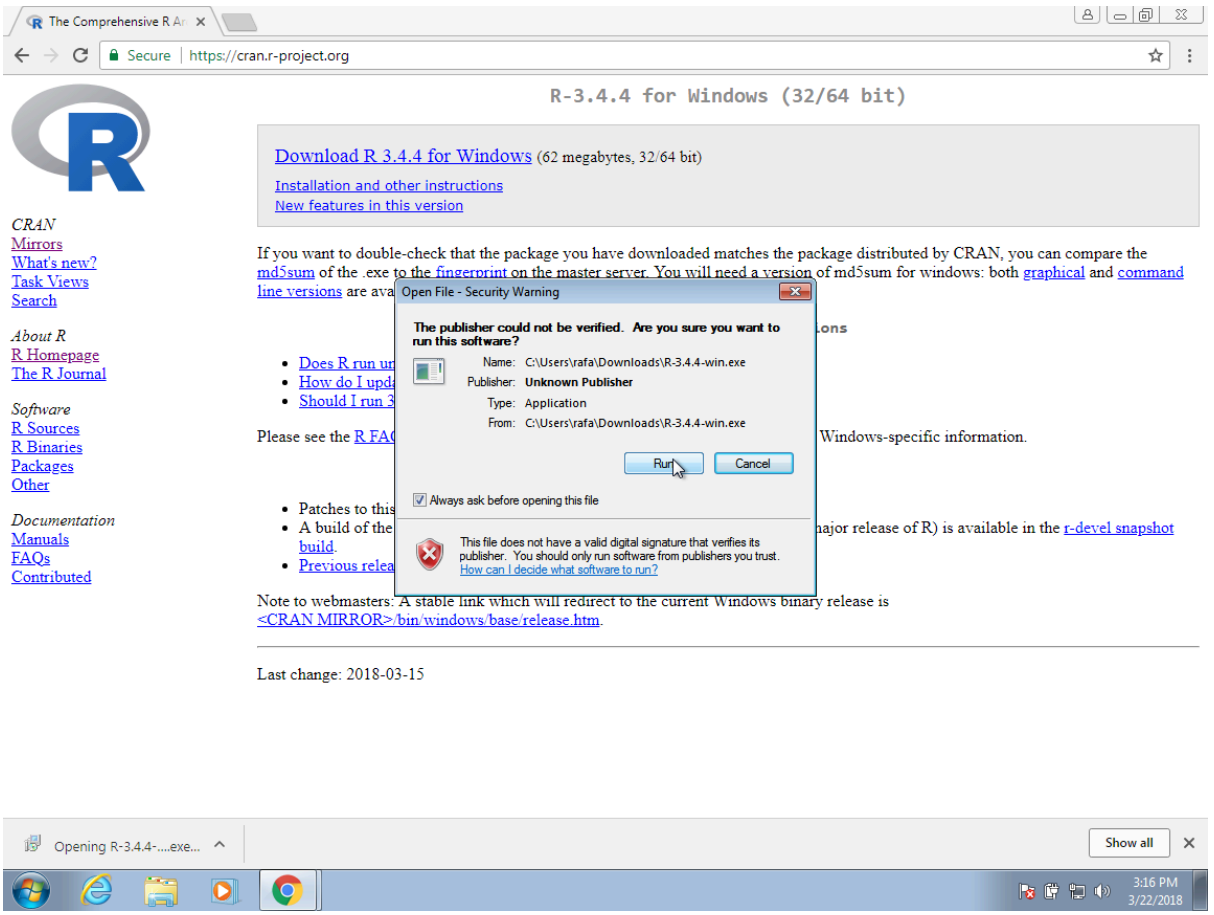
5. If you are using Chrome, at the bottom of your browser you should see a tab that shows you the progress of the download. Once the installer file downloads, you can click on that tab to start the installation process. Other browsers may be different, so you will have to find where they store downloaded files and click on them to get the process started.



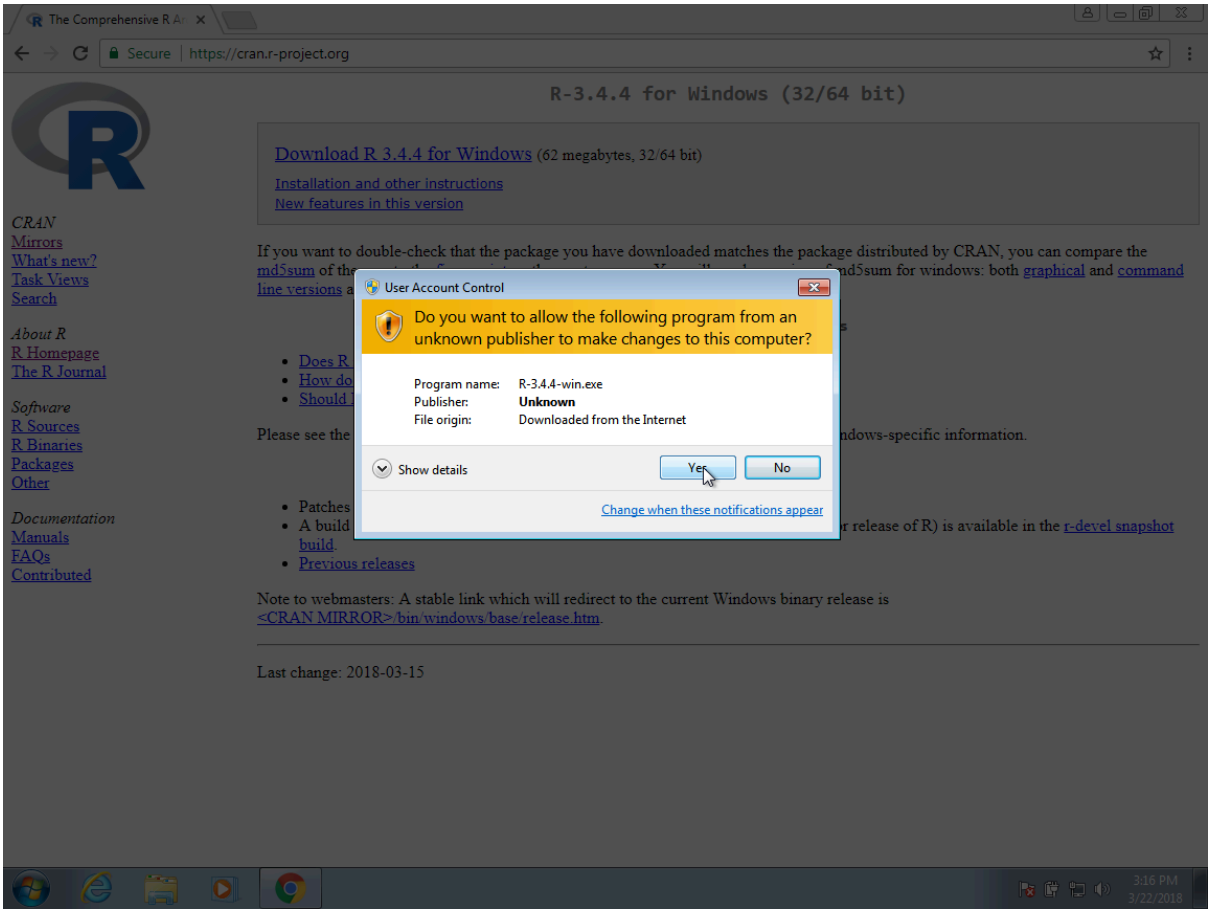
If using Safari on a Mac, you can access the download through the download button.



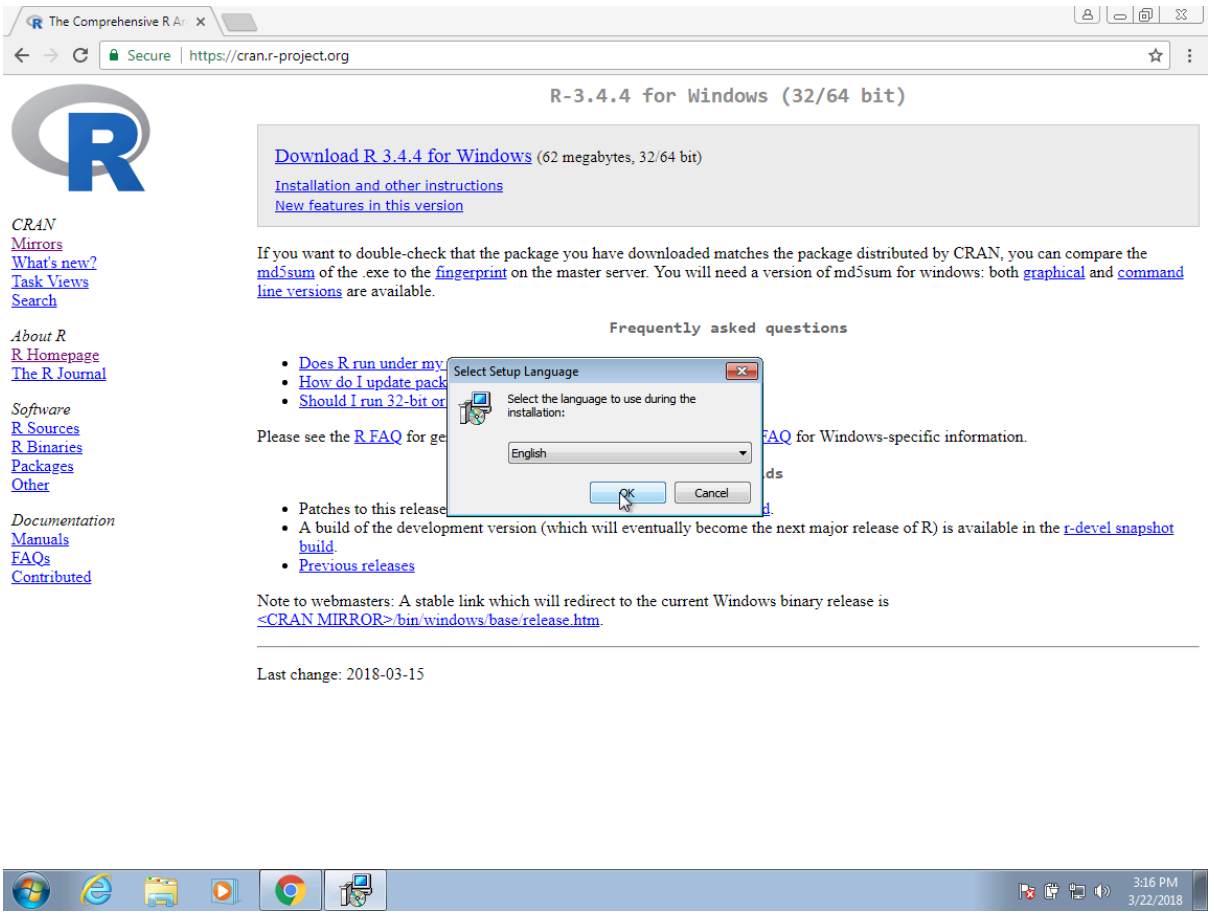
6. You can now click through different choices to finish the installation. We recommend you select all the default choices.



Select the default even when you get an ominous warning.



When selecting the language, consider that it will be easier to follow the course material if you select English.



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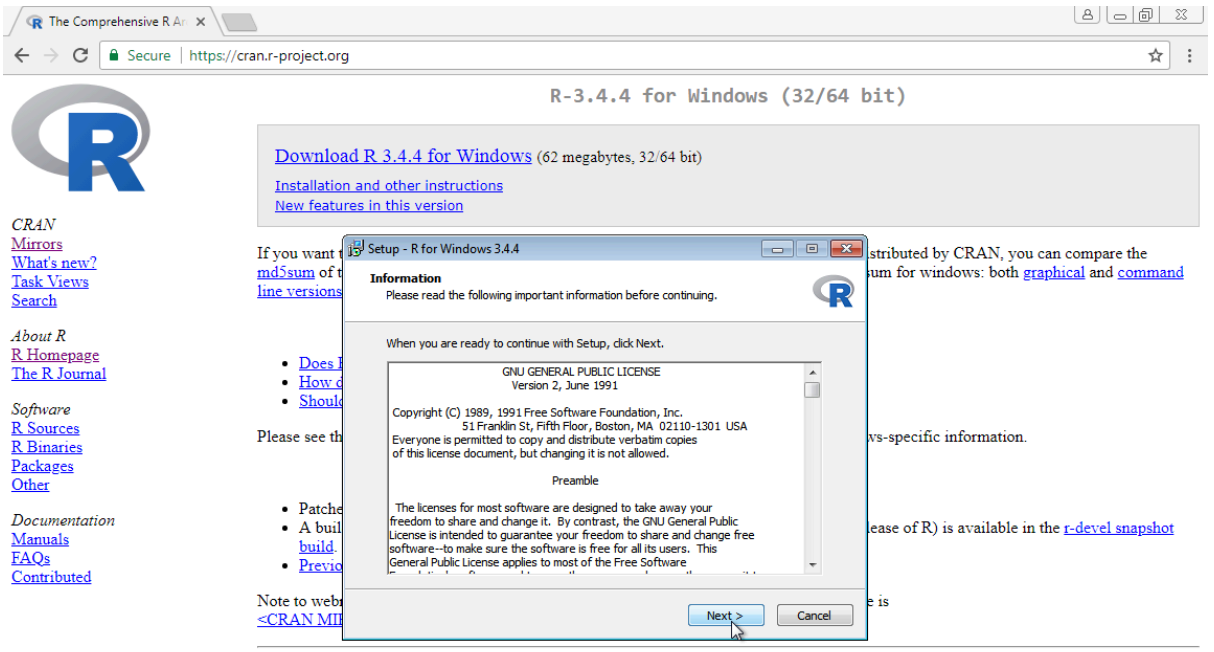
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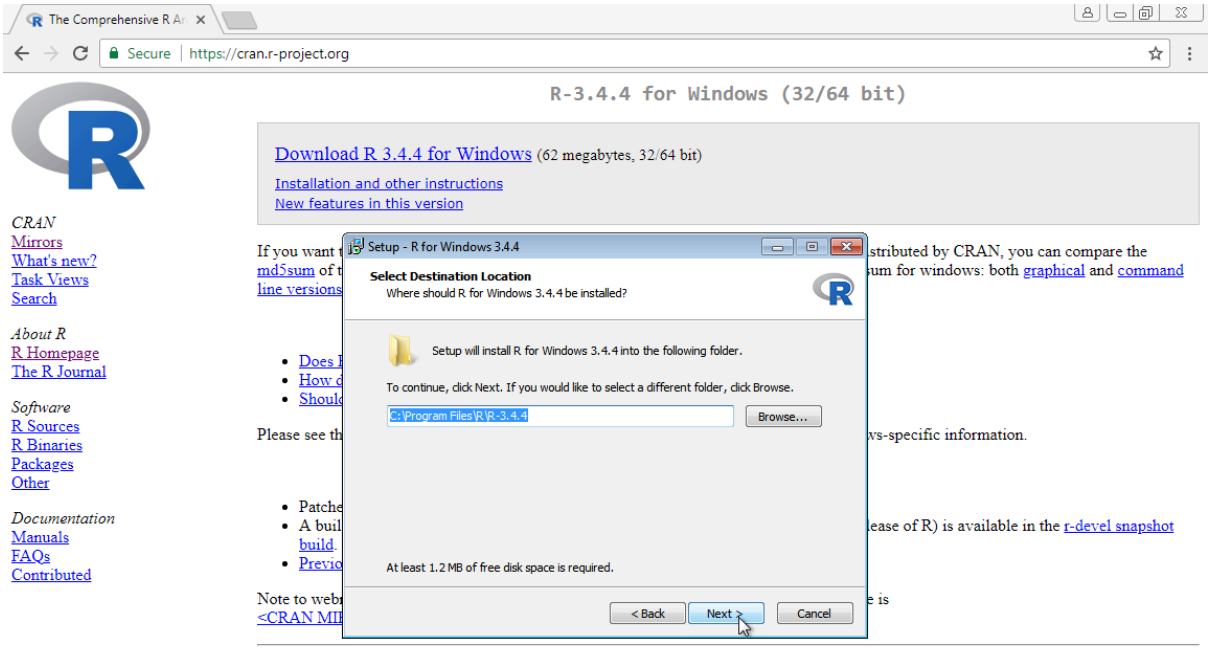
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Select Destination Location
Where should R for Windows 3.4.4 be installed?
Setup will install R for Windows 3.4.4 into the following folder.
To continue, click Next. If you would like to select a different folder, click Browse.
C:\Program Files\R\R-3.4.4
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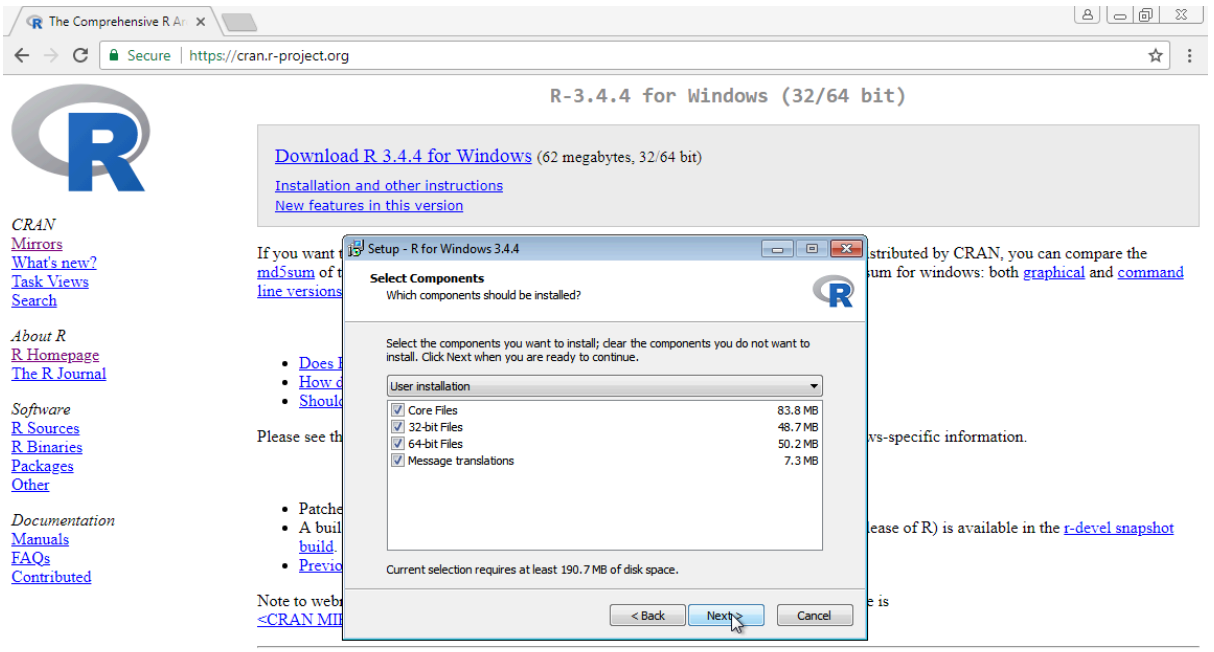
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Select Components
Which components should be installed?
Select the components you want to install; clear the components you do not want to install. Click Next when you are ready to continue.
User installation
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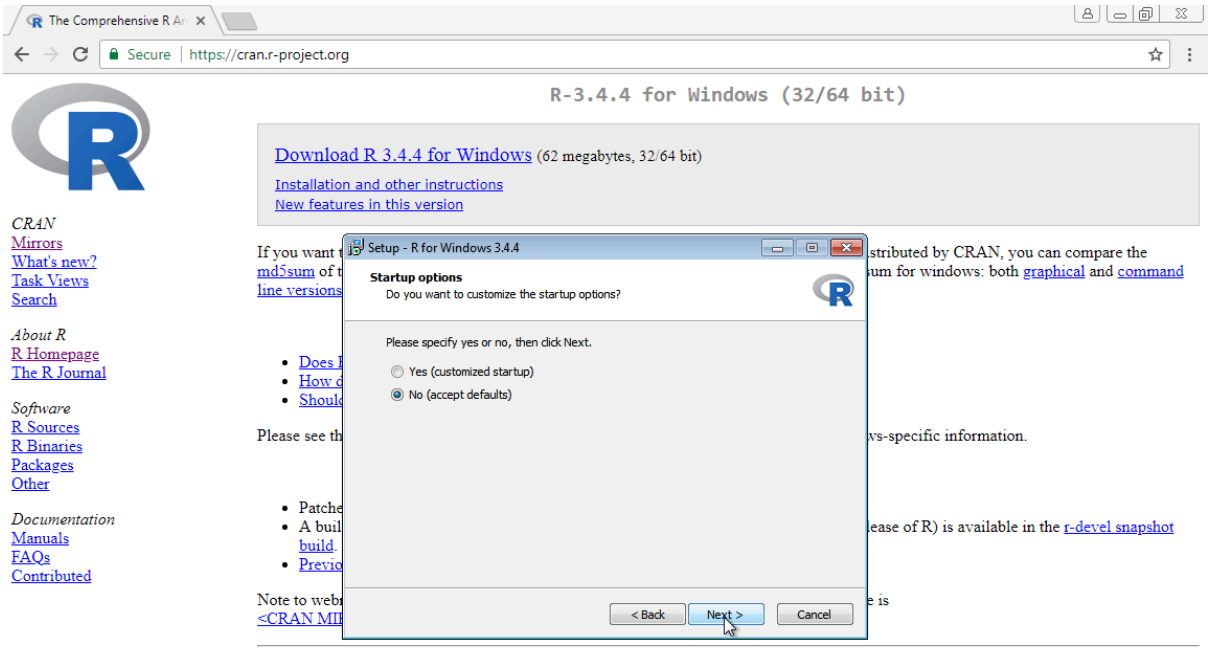
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Do you want to customize the startup options?
Please specify yes or no, then click Next.
Yes (customized startup)
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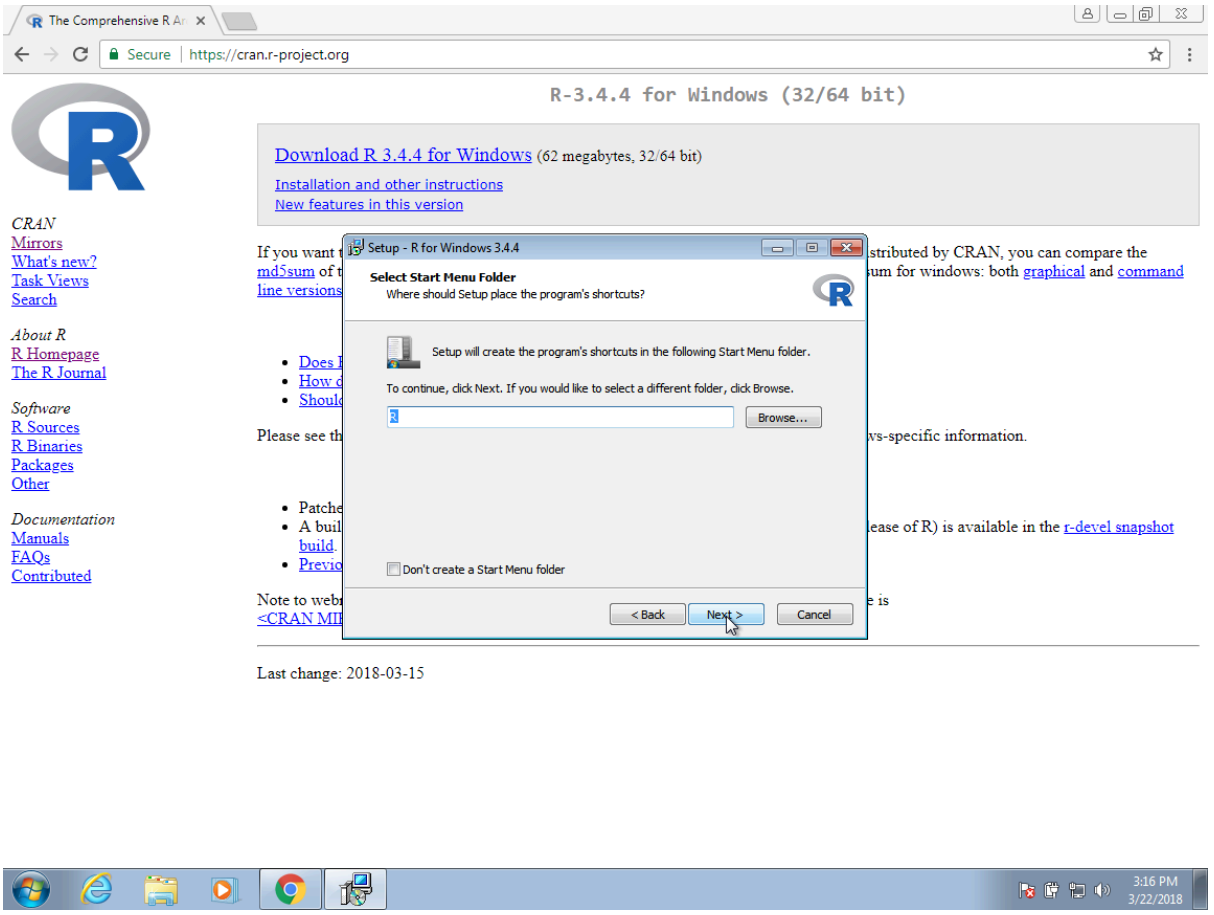
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Select Start Menu Folder
Where should Setup place the program's shortcuts?
Setup will create the program's shortcuts in the following Start Menu folder.
To continue, click Next. If you would like to select a different folder, click Browse.
Browse...
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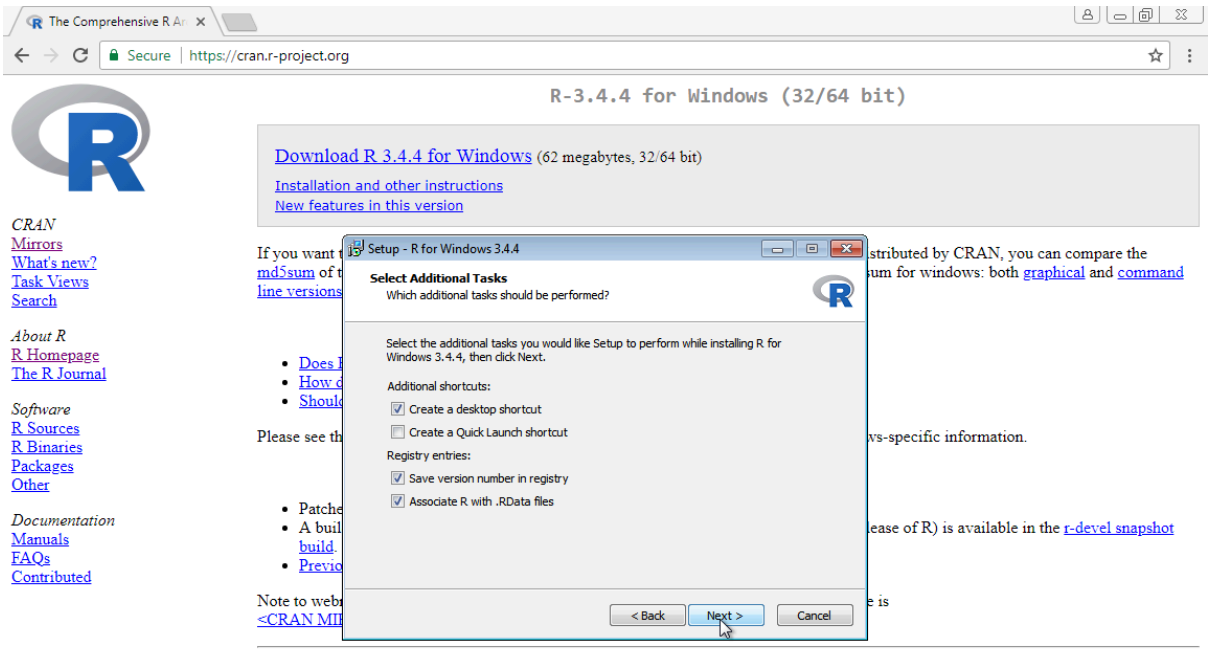
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Select Additional Tasks
Which additional tasks should be performed?
Select the additional tasks you would like Setup to perform while installing R for Windows 3.4.4, then click Next.
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Create a desktop shortcut
Create a Quick Launch shortcut
Registry entries:
Save version number in registry
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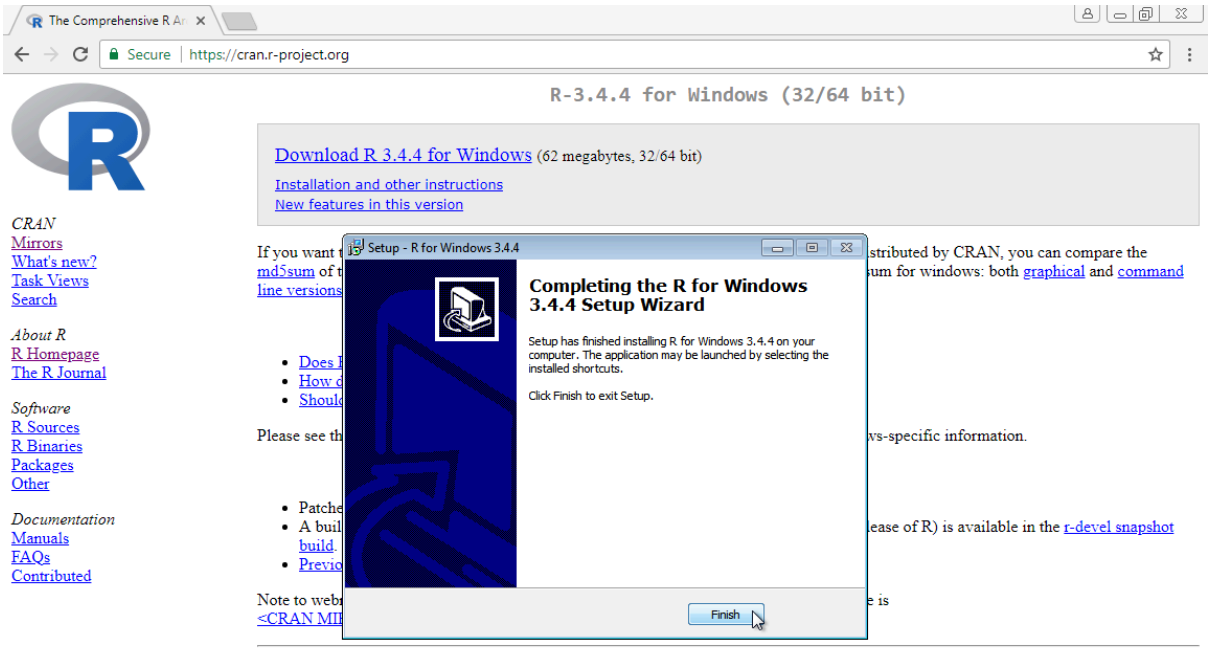
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Completing the R for Windows 3.4.4 Setup Wizard
Setup has finished installing R for Windows 3.4.4 on your computer. The application may be launched by selecting the installed shortcuts.
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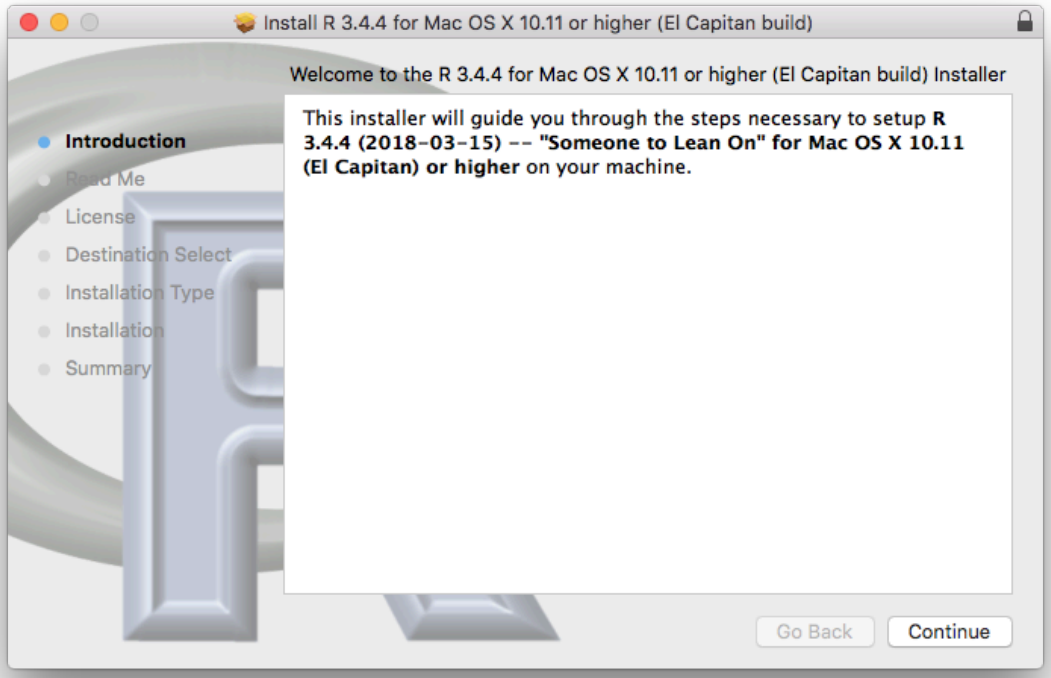

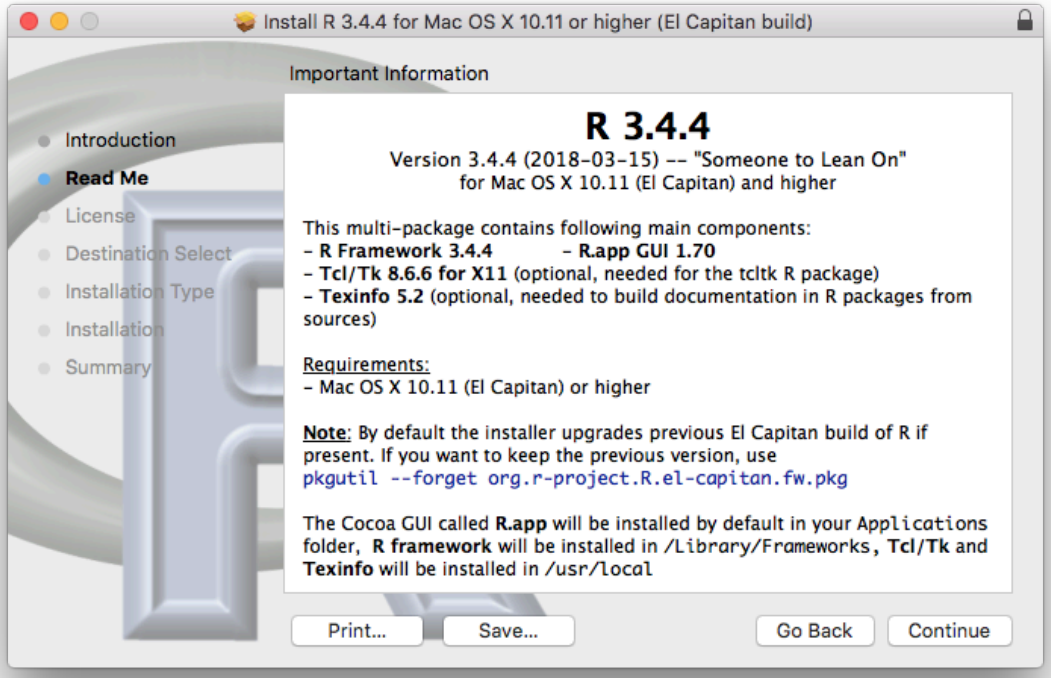

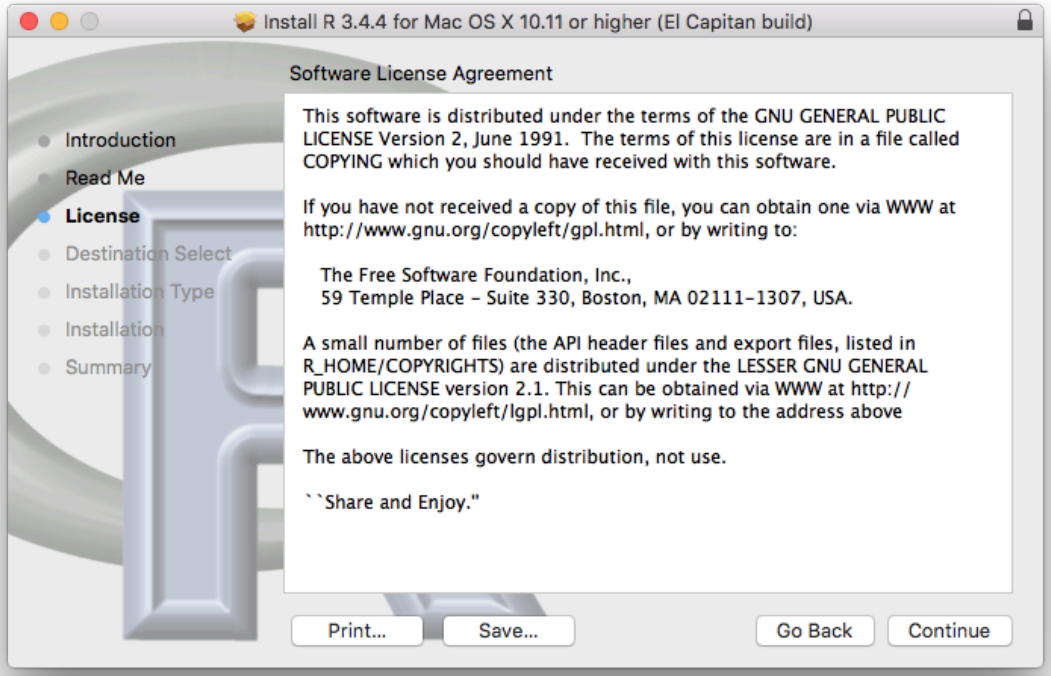
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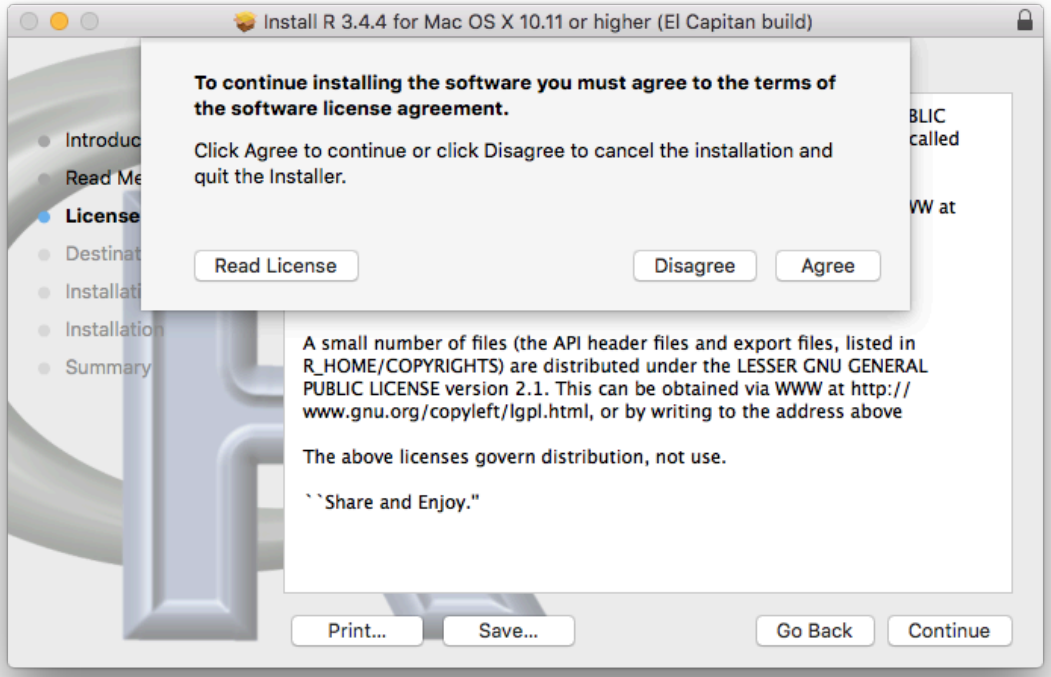
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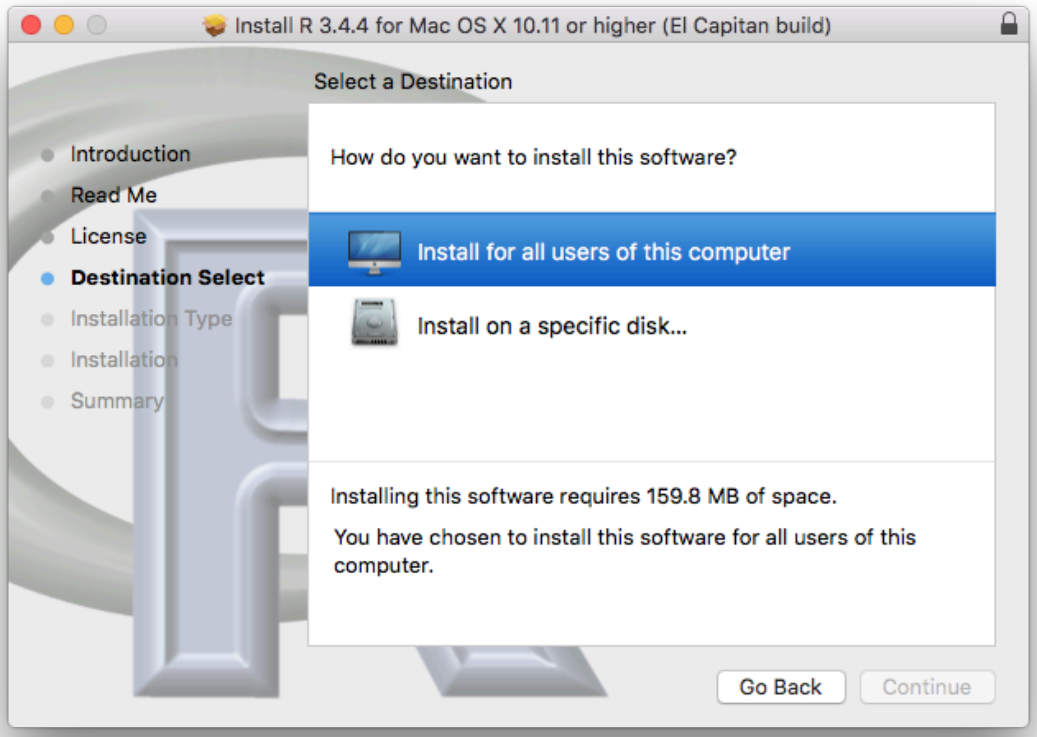
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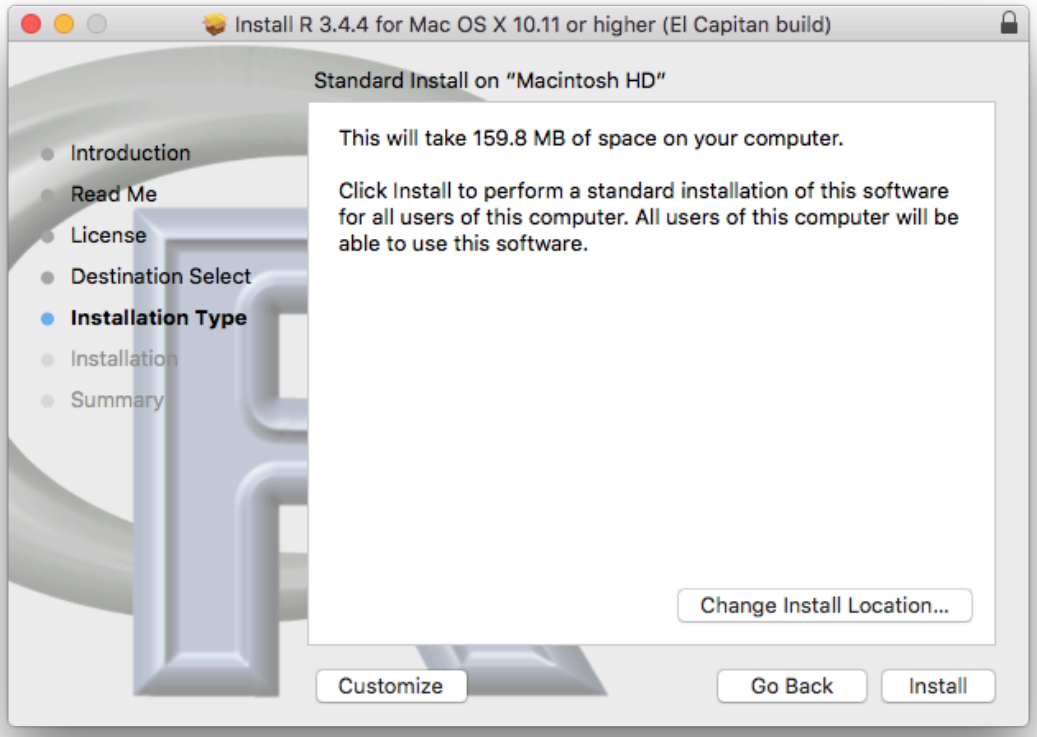
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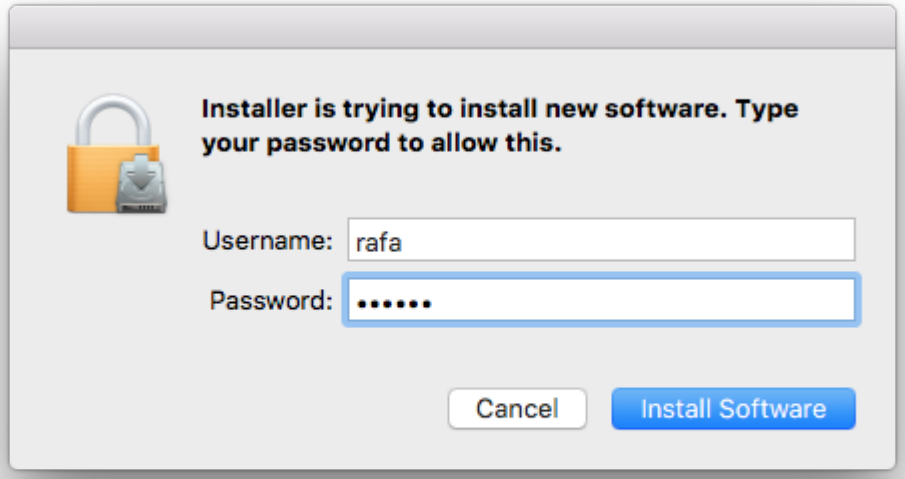
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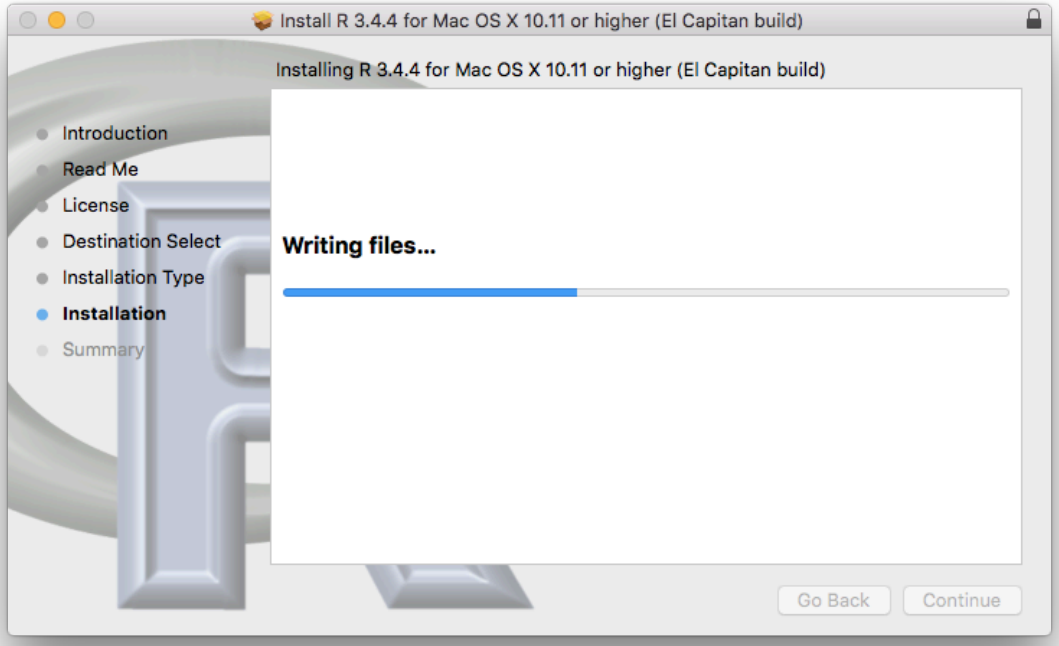
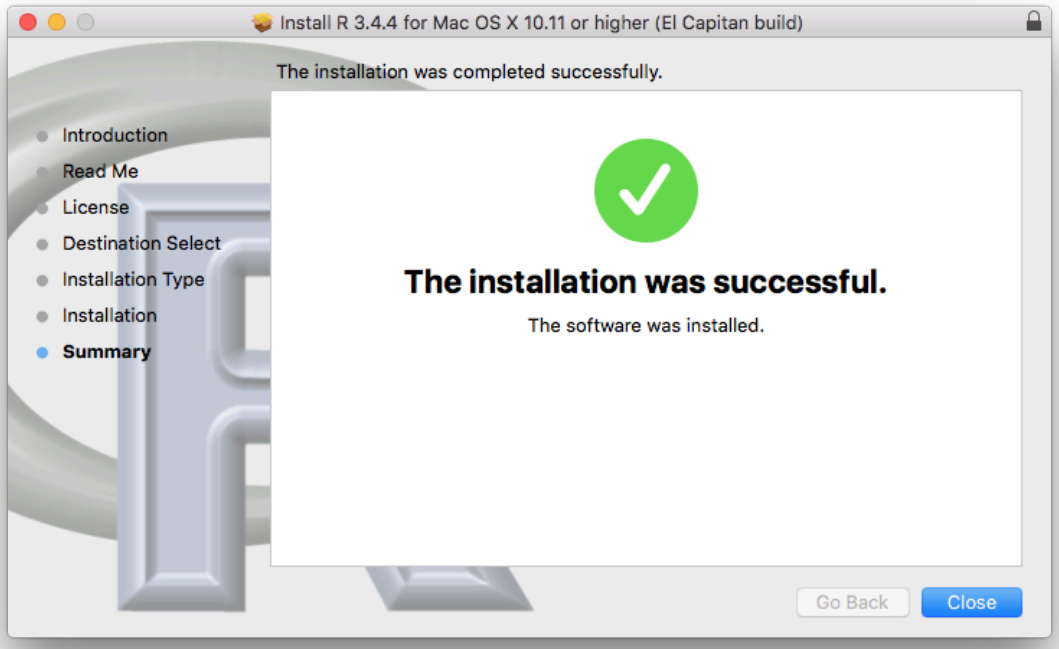
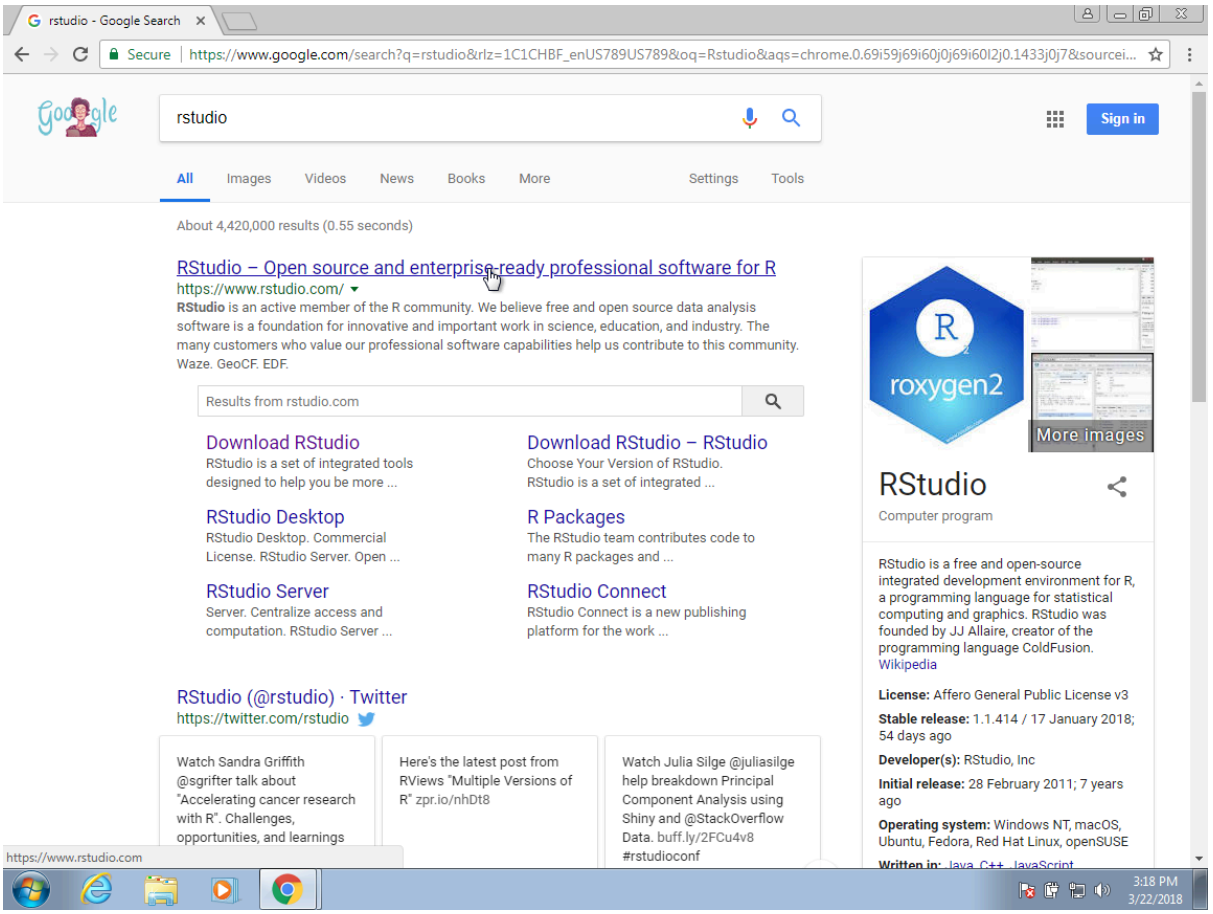




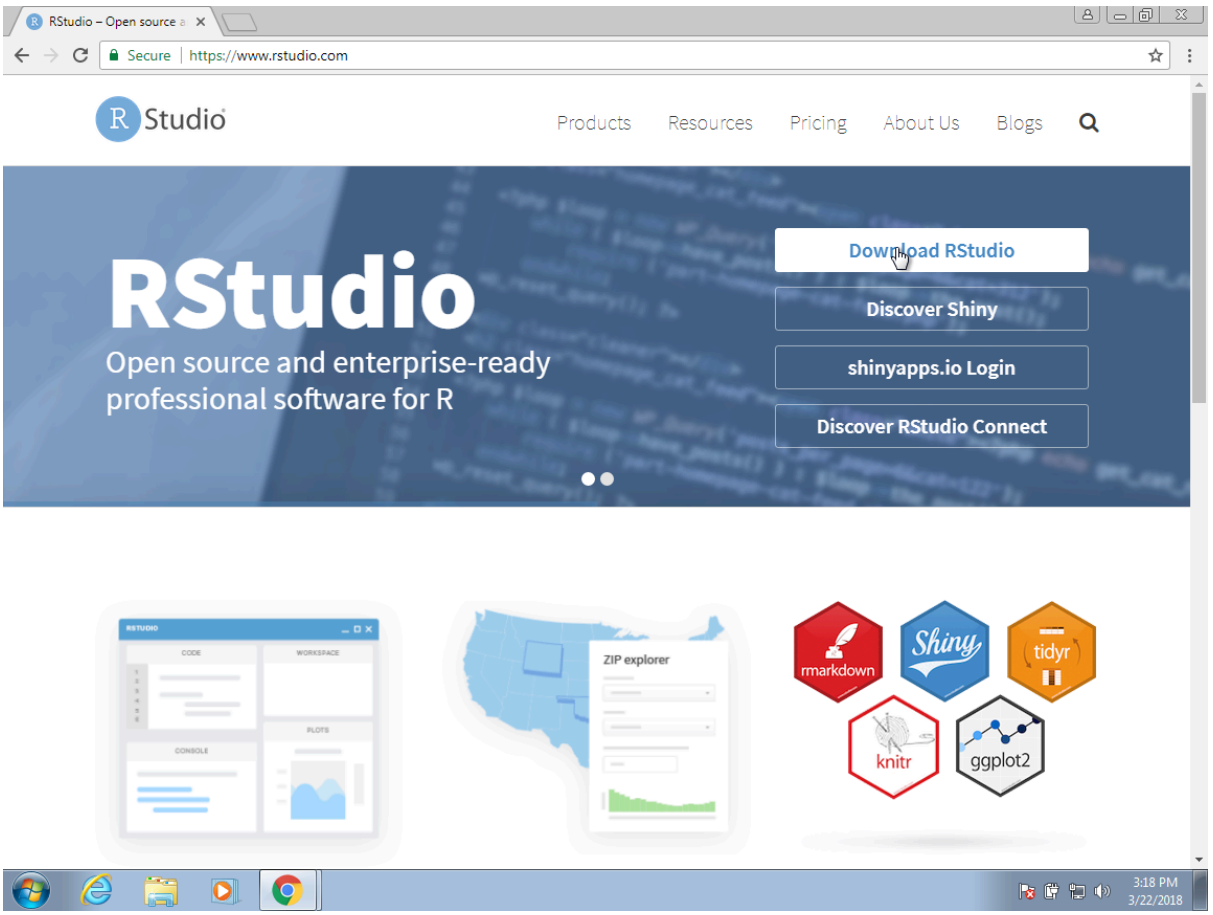
Congratulations! You have installed R.

Installing RStudio

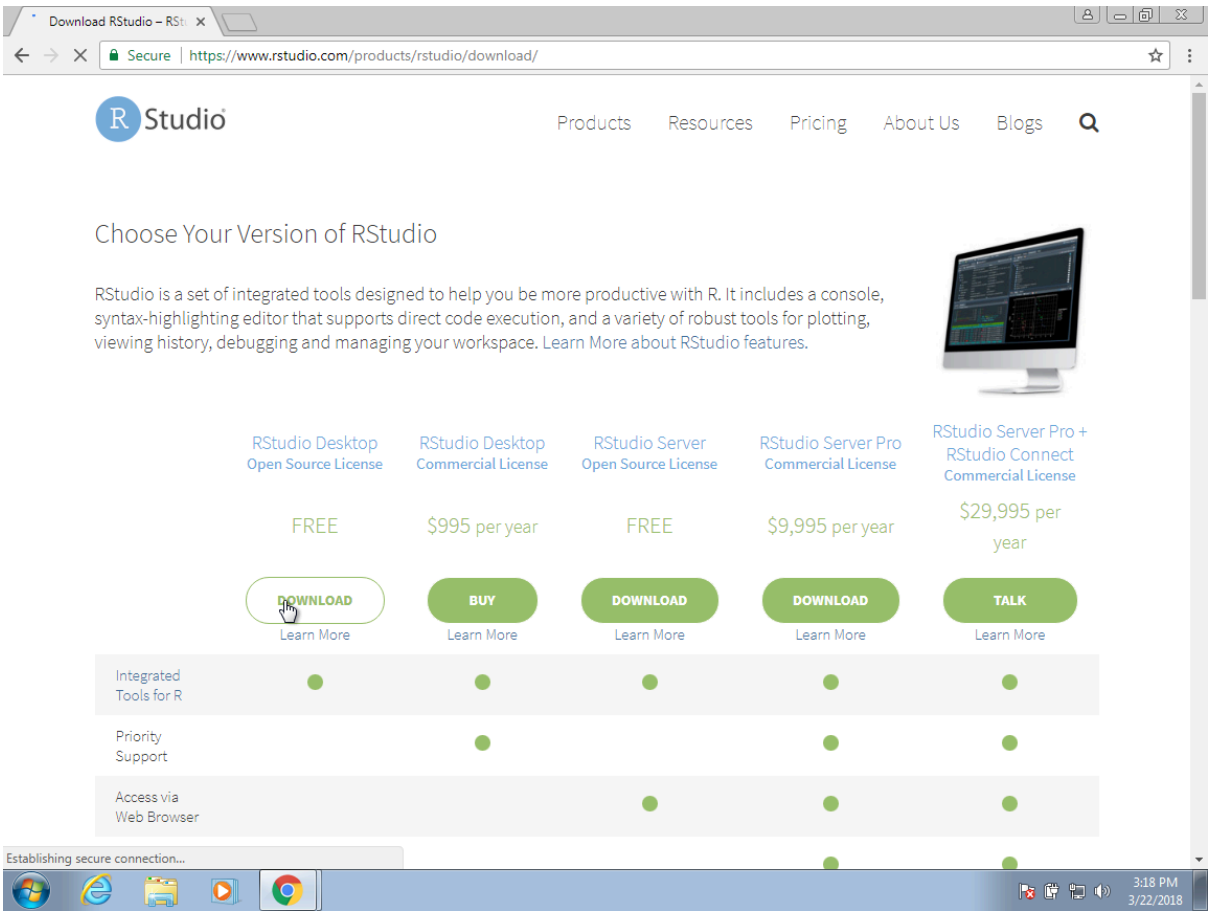
1. You can start by searching for RStudio on your browser:



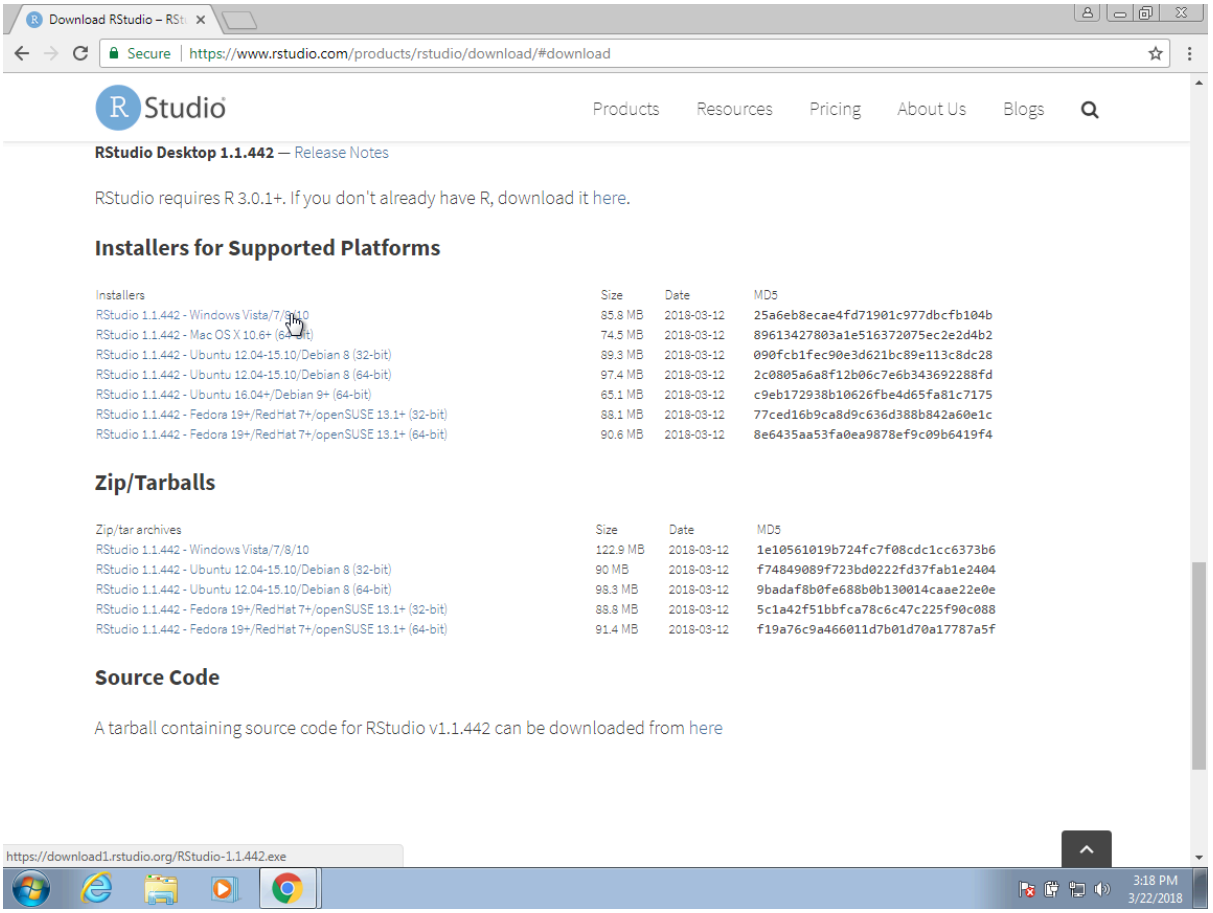
2. You should find the RStudio website as shown above. Once there, click on *Download RStudio*.



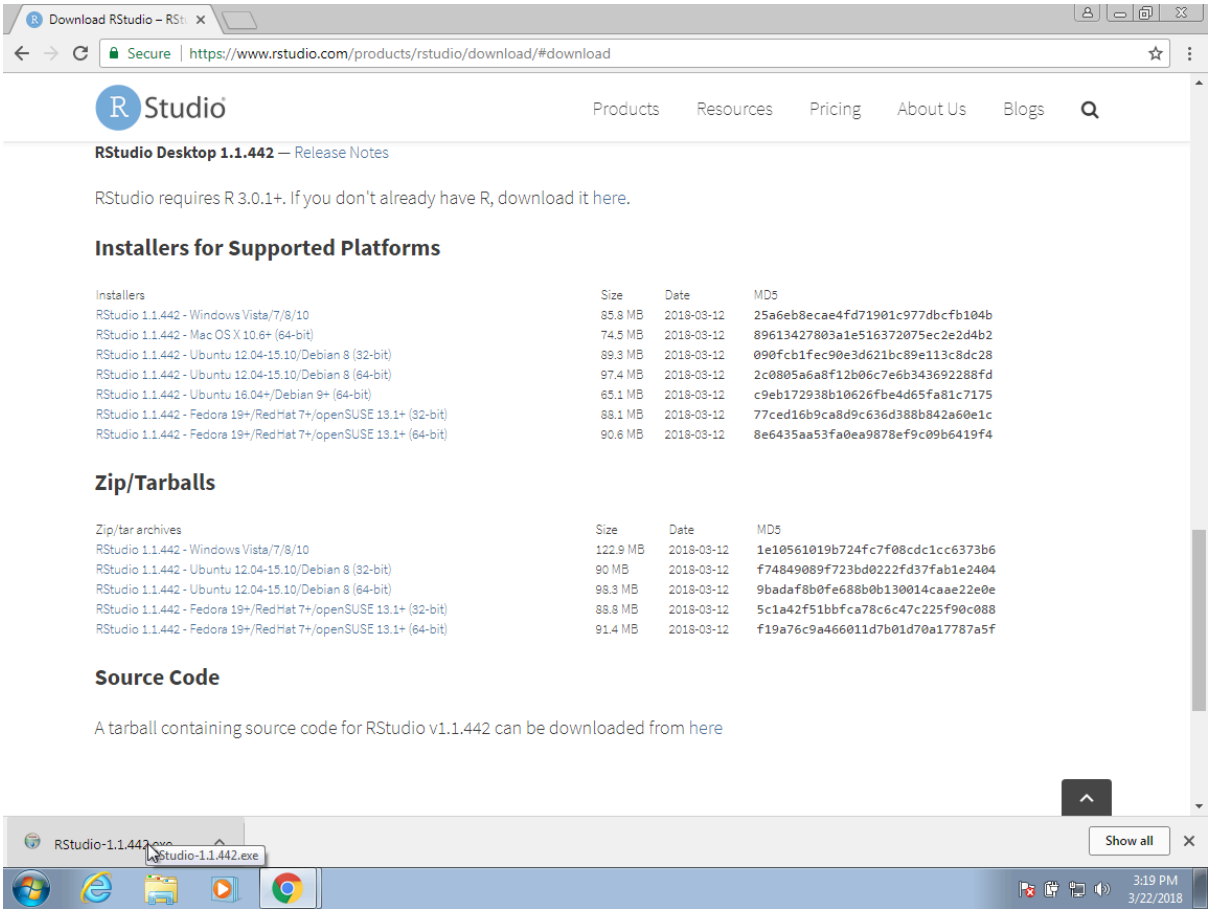
3. This will give you several options. For what we do in this book, it is more than enough to use the free Desktop version:



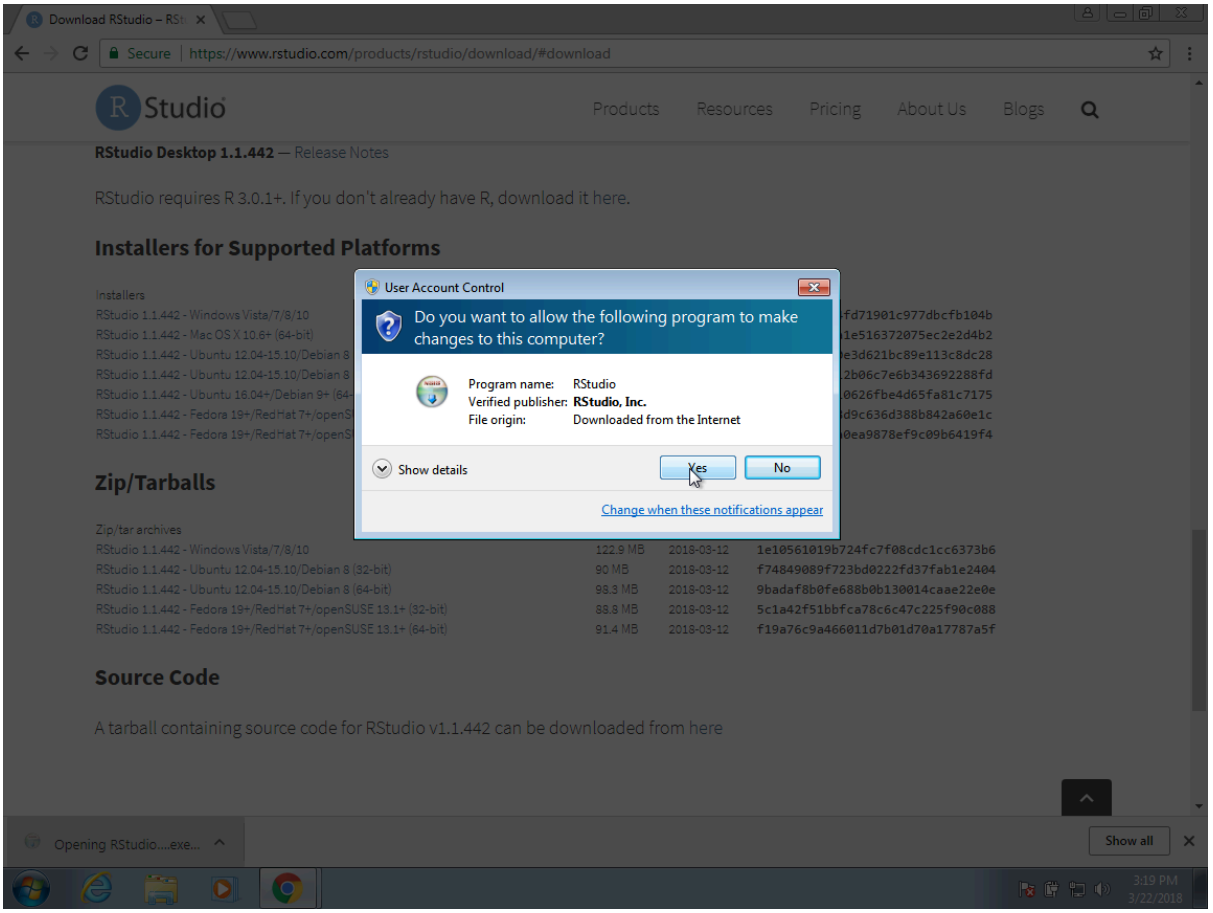
4. Once you select this option, it will take you to a page in which the operating system options are provided. Click the link showing your operating system.



5. Once the installation file is downloaded, click on the downloaded file to start the installation process:



6. We recommend clicking yes on all the defaults.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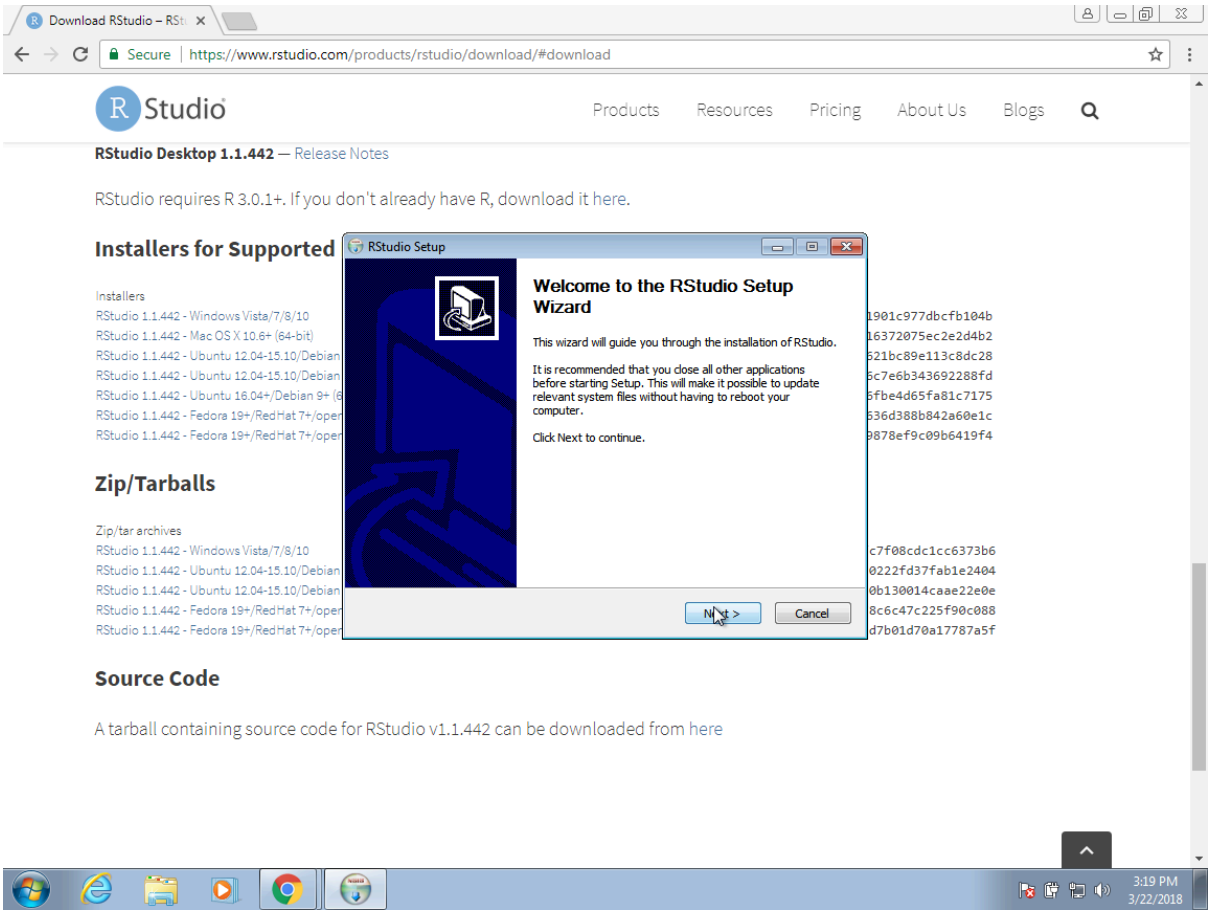
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Welcome to the RStudio Setup Wizard
This wizard will guide you through the installation of RStudio.
It is recommended that you close all other applications before starting Setup. This will make it possible to update relevant system files without having to reboot your computer.
Click Next to continue.
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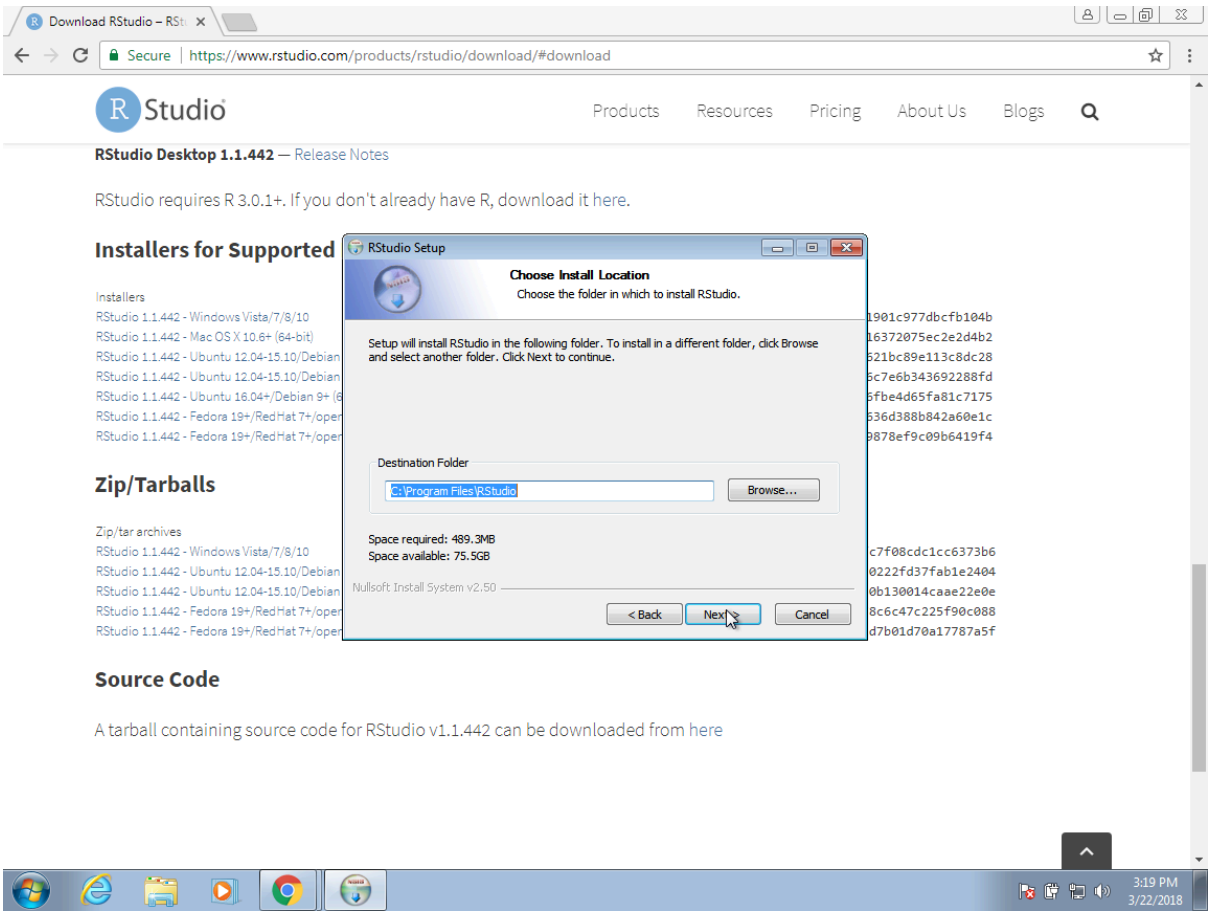
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RStudio Setup
Choose Install Location
Choose the folder in which to install RStudio.
Setup will install RStudio in the following folder. To install in a different folder, click Browse and select another folder. Click Next to continue.
Destination Folder
C:\Program Files\RStudio
Browse...
Space required: 489.3MB
Space available: 75.5GB
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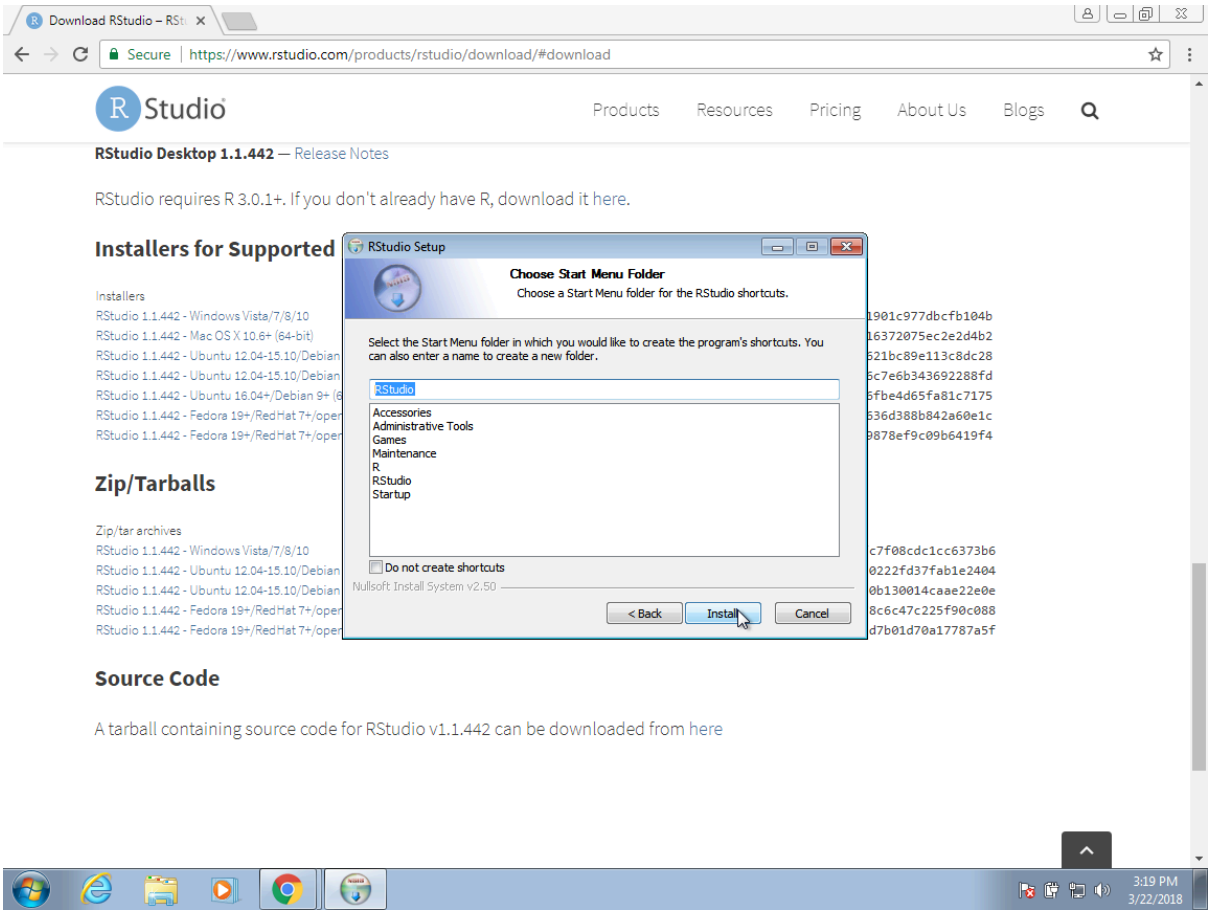
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Choose Start Menu Folder
Choose a Start Menu folder for the RStudio shortcuts.
Select the Start Menu folder in which you would like to create the program's shortcuts. You can also enter a name to create a new folder.
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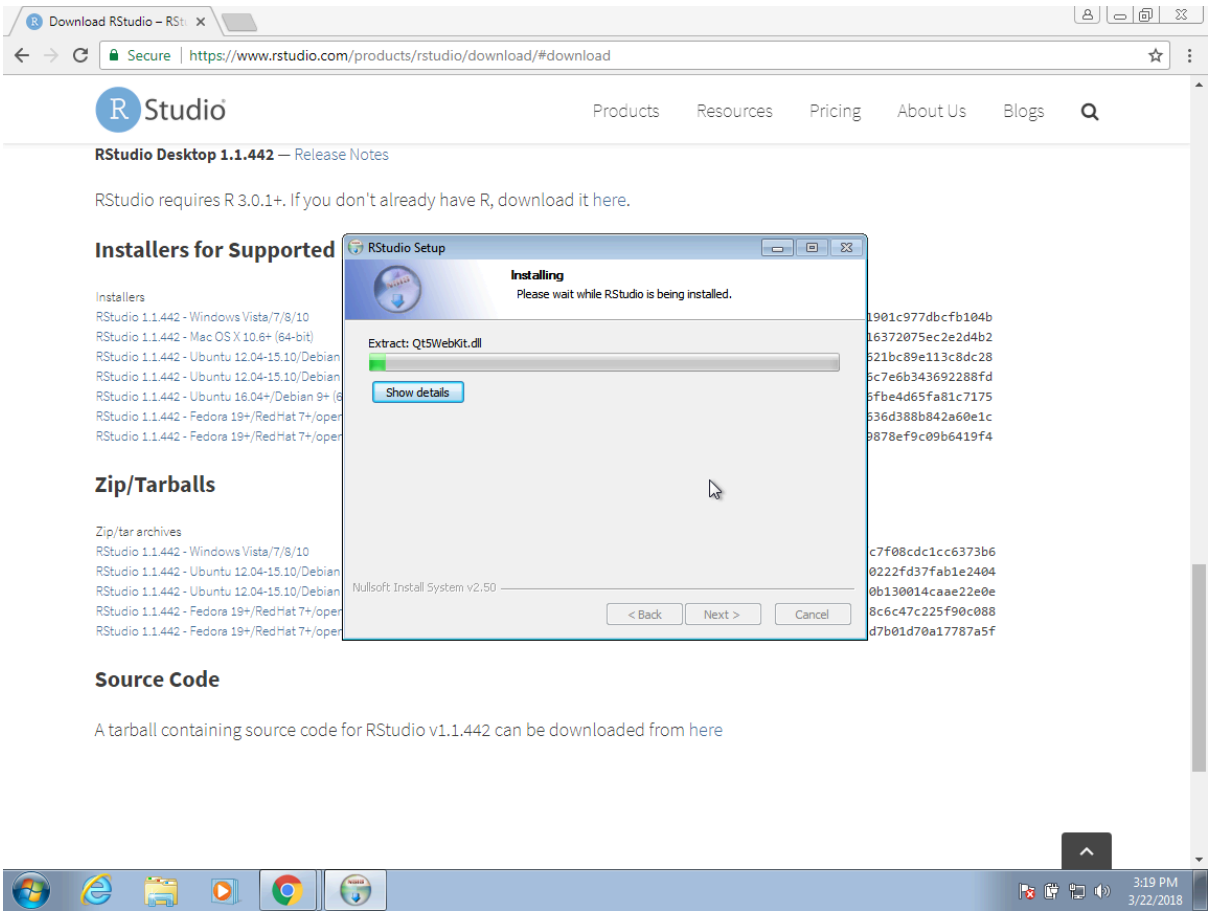
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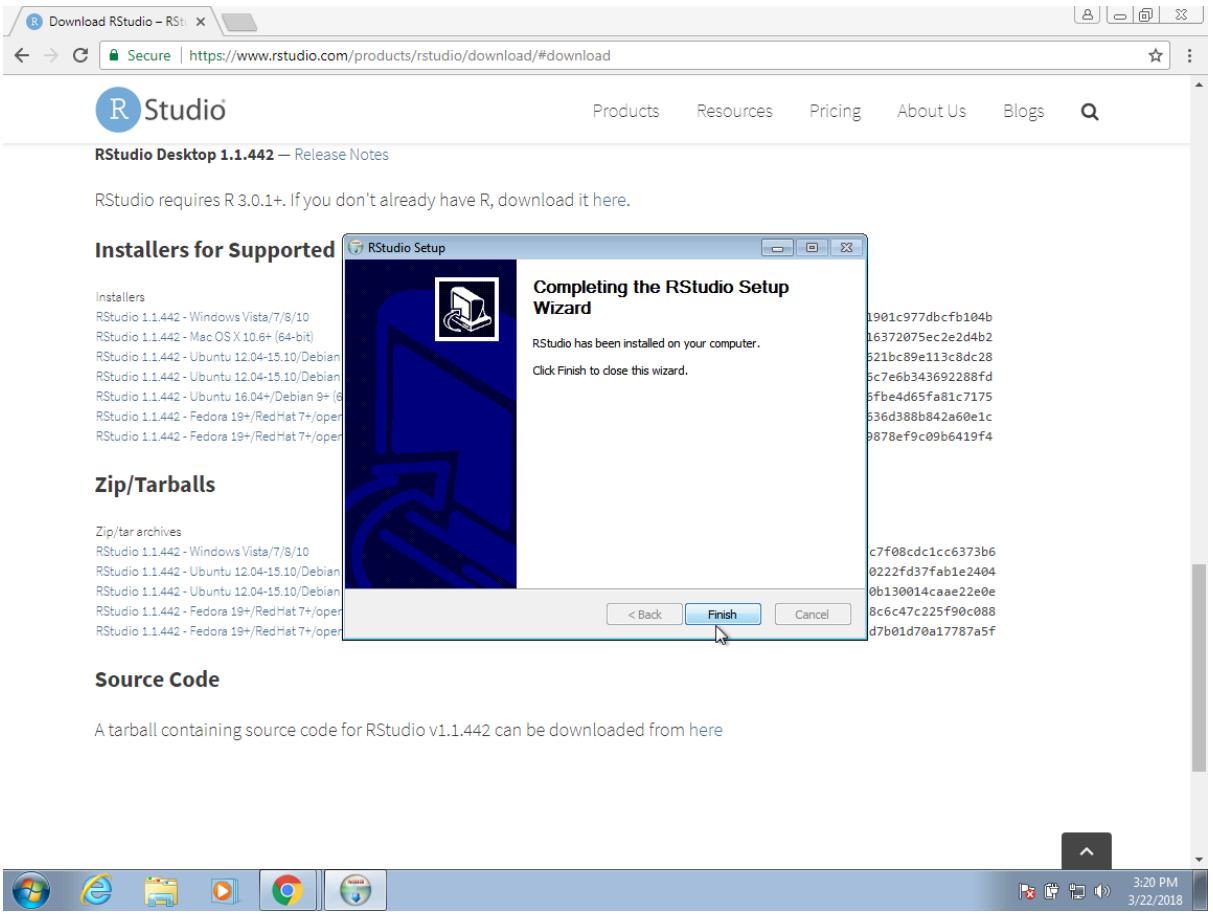

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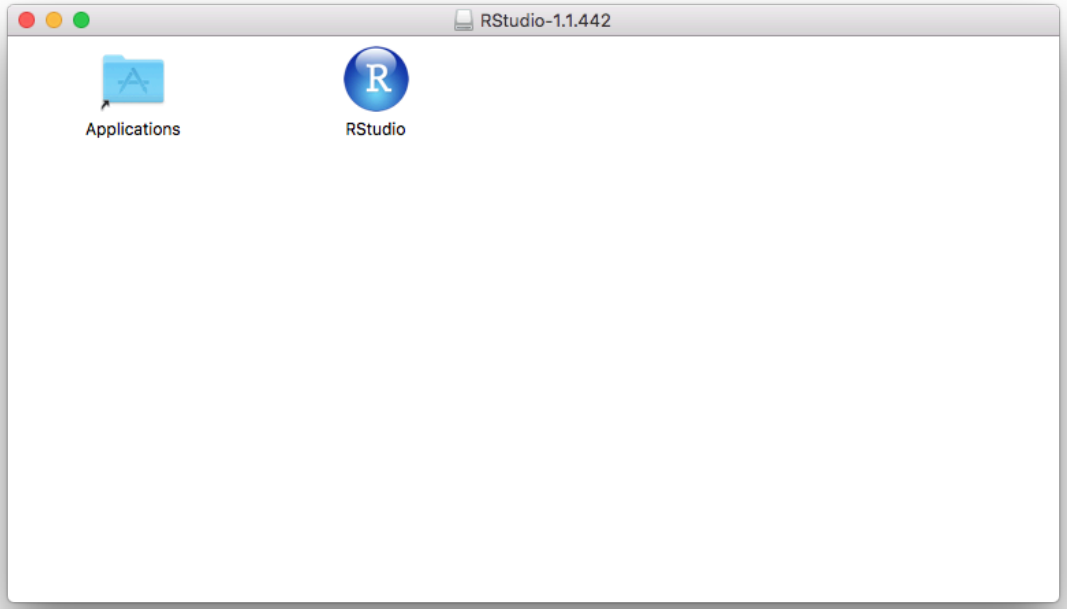
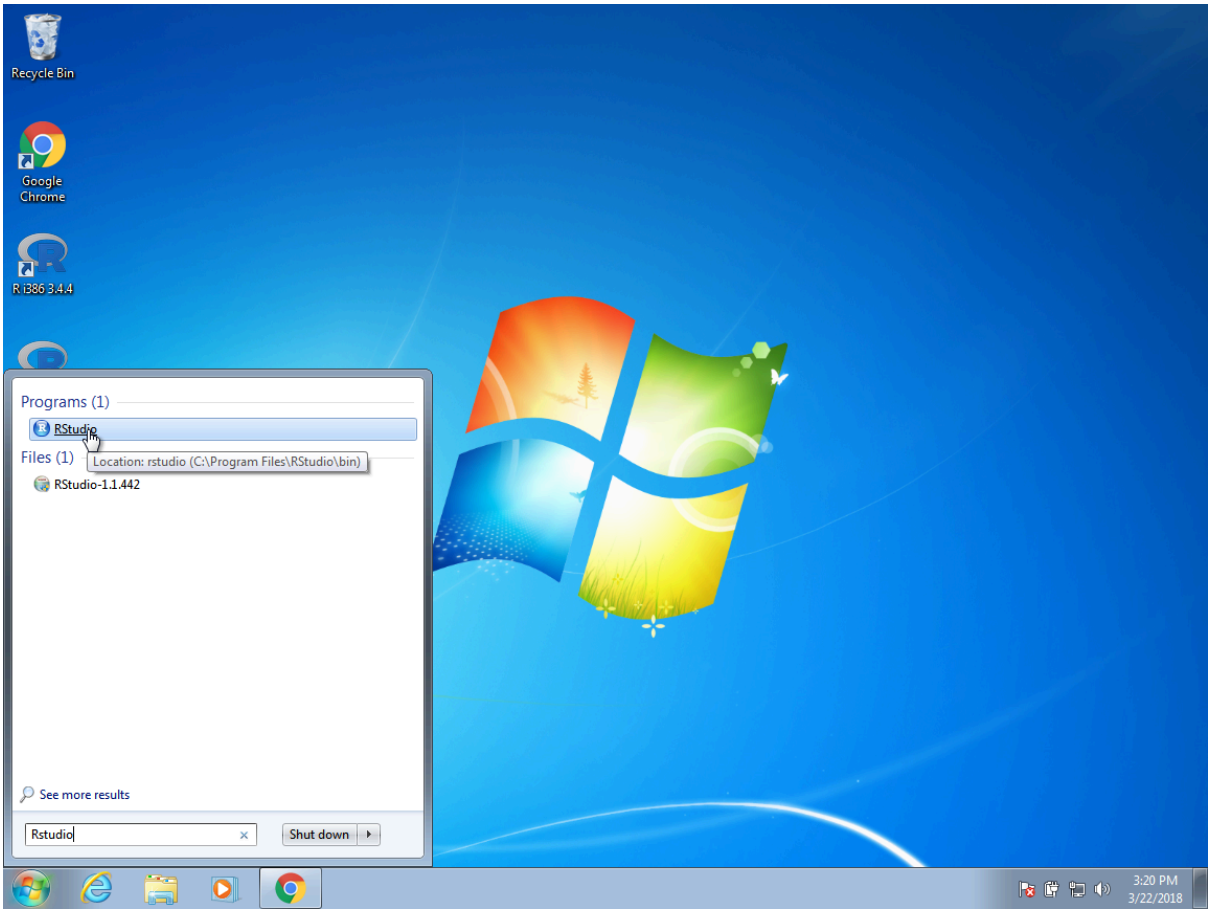
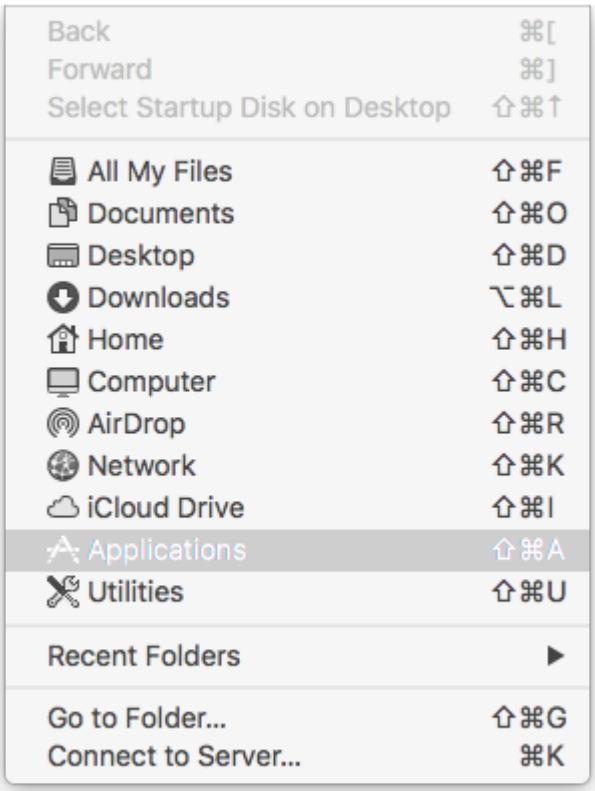


Congratulations! You have installed RStudio. You can now get started as you do on any other program in your computer. On Windows, you can open RStudio from the *Start* menu. If RStudio does not appear, you can search for it:



On the Mac, it will be in the Applications folder:



Pro tip for the Mac: To avoid using the mouse to open RStudio, hit command+spacebar to open *Spotlight Search* and type RStudio into that search bar, then hit enter.