

Evaluation results: Introduction to Data Analysis with R (February 27-28, 2019)

Course details

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More information is provided on the webpage:

www.imprs-gbgc.de/index.php/Courses/RCourse2019Basics

8 out of 14 participants filled in the survey by March 8, 2019.

Survey results

Did the goals and the structure of the course matched well with the course description?

- 4x yes
 - ... , a general intro into R was given and then methods for using and working in R were learned by using examples.
 - ... , very well.
 - ..., definitely.
- 1x no

To which extend has the course improved/clarified your general notion of R?

- Shortcuts explained, some formal structures and methods explained, how to find help, some hacks explained
- Now I have a basic knowledge of R.
- The course has clarified several details and improved my skills with R in a large extension.
- To a good level
- A lot. The course gave a nice introduction into R and also covered some advanced topics of R.

Do you think the workshop was helpful for your skills? Would you recommend this course to others?

- 4x yes
 - ... , and highly recommended for others who are handling statistical data.
 - ... , especially if you're not that familiar with R. The second day is probably also helpful for more advanced R users.
 - ..., it's helpful, but I don't recommend it to beginners especially those who know nothing about R.

- definitely, to both questions

Did the trainers take sufficient time / opportunities for questions and discussions?

- 5x yes
 - ... , totally.
 - There was always time for questions and discussion and solving individual problems with R.

Which parts of the workshop were especially good (and why)?

- Working with examples, solving the problems together instead of being left alone with the problem and then only presenting the solution. taking time for questions and making sure everyone was on the same page
- The plot making is fun.
- The examples developed by the lecturer and the exercises proposed.
- All was good
- Introduction of the package ggplot since it is one of the main things for me in R to create graphs. It was very nice that the code was written during the lecture and not previous

Which parts of the workshop were not so good / not so fitting / not well enough presented?

- 1x none
- nothing content wise, only that the course id's very very compact for 2 days and at 3 pm it was harder to ingest all the provided info.
- The speed of the course was too fast and I can't follow it well especially considering I am a beginner of R. Students were busy typing codes in the course. We should be given a script in advance so that we can understand more easily.
- Some parts were too fast in the sense of not having enough time to develop the exercises.
- Sometimes the coding part was a little bit to fast. It is difficult to write the code and listening at the same time

Do you have other suggestions for a future course?

- Maybe make 3 days out of it and lower the amount of hours a little. otherwise big compliment to the instructor, he did an awesome job! Thanks very much for the offer!
- I suggest the course to be longer enough. Two days is really too short to learn real things. And I also suggest courses in the future suitable for beginners.
- I would suggest to split it in 3 days instead of 2. Then, during the afternoon would be possible to review and practice the exercises learnt in the morning.
- Dealing with 3D matrix would be helpful for some.