# SEEC Toolbox seminars Using R in the Cloud

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## Remote options for using R

- Access R and RStudio remotely hosted on a server
- ► Why?
  - Free up your computer to do other things
  - Big analyses
  - Avoid or standardize installation of R/RStudio/packages
- ► Why not?
  - Can cost money
  - Need internet access
  - Need to upload/dowload data, results, etc





## Remote options for using R

- Single server (e.g. SEEC servers)
- Cluster (e.g. UCT HPC, CHPC)
- Cloud (e.g. AWS EC2, RStudio Cloud, Google Cloud)

We'll look at a few options that avoid the command-line





### Summary

- AWS
  - + Flexible (choose computing power, OS), not just R
  - Cost, easy use depends on one person
- RStudio Cloud
  - + Very easy,  $\sim$ free
  - RStudio only, very new
- RStudio Jobs
  - + Easy option if you just want to free up your computer
  - Not remote, with all that implies





#### Links

#### AWS

- http://www.louisaslett.com/RStudio\_AMI/
- https://github.com/iandurbach/datasci-fi/blob/
  master/lesson4-neural-networks.html

#### RStudio Cloud

- https://rstudio.cloud/
- https://www.rstudio.com/resources/videos/ learning-r-with-rstudio-cloud/
- RStudio Jobs
  - https:
    - //blog.rstudio.com/2019/03/14/rstudio-1-2-jobs/
  - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EBlk1kRbKeU



