

# Get start with R

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## 1 A start: Get use to R

(Partially credit to Nicole Kelbick, PhD. and introduction to R <https://cran.r-project.org/doc/manuals/r-release/R-intro.pdf>)

Don't afriad to use R. It can be very simple. You can start by open R and type in only one line, and it will work. Try the following:

(The ones with \*\* are frequently used)

### 1.1 Common used operation or funtions

#### 1.1.1 \*\* “:”

The operator ‘:’ generates a sequence of integers.

```
1:10
```

```
## [1] 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
```

```
10:1
```

```
## [1] 10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1
```

#### 1.1.2 “<-” or “=”

You can assign values to variables using ‘<-’ OR ‘=’.

```
x <- 5
```

```
x
```

```
## [1] 5
```

```
x=2
```

```
x
```

```
## [1] 2
```

### 1.1.3 “+” “-” “\*” “/” “%%” These are basic arithmetic operations

```
x+5
```

```
## [1] 7
```

```
x*5
```

```
## [1] 10
```

```
x/5
```

```
## [1] 0.4
```

```
x%%5 #give the remainder of x
```

```
## [1] 2
```

### 1.1.4 \*\* “seq(from,to,spacing)”

The ‘seq’ function generates a sequence of numbers with a specified spacing.  
seq( from,to,spacing)

```
xn <- seq(1,10,.1)
```

```
xn
```

```
## [1] 1.0 1.1 1.2 1.3 1.4 1.5 1.6 1.7 1.8 1.9 2.0 2.1 2.2 2.3 2.4  
## [16] 2.5 2.6 2.7 2.8 2.9 3.0 3.1 3.2 3.3 3.4 3.5 3.6 3.7 3.8 3.9  
## [31] 4.0 4.1 4.2 4.3 4.4 4.5 4.6 4.7 4.8 4.9 5.0 5.1 5.2 5.3 5.4  
## [46] 5.5 5.6 5.7 5.8 5.9 6.0 6.1 6.2 6.3 6.4 6.5 6.6 6.7 6.8 6.9  
## [61] 7.0 7.1 7.2 7.3 7.4 7.5 7.6 7.7 7.8 7.9 8.0 8.1 8.2 8.3 8.4  
## [76] 8.5 8.6 8.7 8.8 8.9 9.0 9.1 9.2 9.3 9.4 9.5 9.6 9.7 9.8 9.9  
## [91] 10.0
```

```
seq(1,10,length.out = 20) #use length.out to specify how many you need within the range
```

```
## [1] 1.000000 1.473684 1.947368 2.421053 2.894737 3.368421 3.842105  
## [8] 4.315789 4.789474 5.263158 5.736842 6.210526 6.684211 7.157895  
## [15] 7.631579 8.105263 8.578947 9.052632 9.526316 10.000000
```

### 1.1.5 “rev”

The ‘rev’ function reverses values of argument.

```
yn <- rev(xn)
```

```
yn
```

```
## [1] 10.0 9.9 9.8 9.7 9.6 9.5 9.4 9.3 9.2 9.1 9.0 8.9 8.8 8.7 8.6  
## [16] 8.5 8.4 8.3 8.2 8.1 8.0 7.9 7.8 7.7 7.6 7.5 7.4 7.3 7.2 7.1  
## [31] 7.0 6.9 6.8 6.7 6.6 6.5 6.4 6.3 6.2 6.1 6.0 5.9 5.8 5.7 5.6  
## [46] 5.5 5.4 5.3 5.2 5.1 5.0 4.9 4.8 4.7 4.6 4.5 4.4 4.3 4.2 4.1  
## [61] 4.0 3.9 3.8 3.7 3.6 3.5 3.4 3.3 3.2 3.1 3.0 2.9 2.8 2.7 2.6  
## [76] 2.5 2.4 2.3 2.2 2.1 2.0 1.9 1.8 1.7 1.6 1.5 1.4 1.3 1.2 1.1  
## [91] 1.0
```

### 1.1.6 \*\* “c(elem1,elem2)”

The operator 'c' combines different elements into a vector

```
c(1,2)
```

```
## [1] 1 2
```

```
c("1",2) #the same as c("1","2"), they are all stored as strings.
```

```
## [1] "1" "2"
```

### 1.1.7 \*\* rep(arg1,n)

'rep(arg1, n)' repeats the first argument (arg1) n times

```
rep(2,7)
```

```
## [1] 2 2 2 2 2 2 2
```

```
y <- c(1, 3, 5.5, rep(2,7))  
y
```

```
## [1] 1.0 3.0 5.5 2.0 2.0 2.0 2.0 2.0 2.0 2.0
```

```
rep(c(1,3),3) # repeat 1,3 for 3 times
```

```
## [1] 1 3 1 3 1 3
```

```
rep(seq(1,3),2:4) # repeat 1,2,3 correspondingly for 2,3,4 times
```

```
## [1] 1 1 2 2 2 3 3 3 3
```

### 1.1.8 Type casting: as.numeric and etc.

Change string to number; or change number to string

```
as.numeric("1") #when you add " " , the content in the double quotation marks become strings
```

```
## [1] 1
```

```
as.character(1)
```

```
## [1] "1"
```

### 1.1.9 “;”

The operator “;” can be used as a separation for each command when writing on the same line

```
print(x);print(y)
```

```
## [1] 2
```

```
## [1] 1.0 3.0 5.5 2.0 2.0 2.0 2.0 2.0 2.0 2.0
```

### 1.1.10 “mean”;“var”;“sd”;“median”

```
x=1:10;x  
## [1] 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10  
mean(x) #Get average  
## [1] 5.5  
median(x) #Get median  
## [1] 5.5  
var(x) #Get variation  
## [1] 9.166667  
sd(x) #Get Standard deviation  
## [1] 3.02765
```

### 1.1.11 “paste(elm1,elm2,sep)”

the paste(element1,element2,sep="") function combines elements into strings

```
paste("Day",1:10,sep="")  
## [1] "Day1" "Day2" "Day3" "Day4" "Day5" "Day6" "Day7" "Day8" "Day9"  
## [10] "Day10"  
paste("Day",1:10,sep="_")  
## [1] "Day_1" "Day_2" "Day_3" "Day_4" "Day_5" "Day_6" "Day_7" "Day_8"  
## [9] "Day_9" "Day_10"  
paste(c("X","Y"), 1:10, sep="")  
## [1] "X1" "Y2" "X3" "Y4" "X5" "Y6" "X7" "Y8" "X9" "Y10"
```

## 1.2 Logical expressions

### 1.2.1 or “|” “||”

When comparing single value, you may use “|” or “||”

```
x=2;y=3  
y > 0 | x >= 3  
## [1] TRUE  
y > 0 || x >= 3
```

```
## [1] TRUE
```

When comparing a vector, you use “|” to gain results of comparison by array

```
a=1:3;b=2:4  
a>b | a==b  
## [1] FALSE FALSE FALSE
```

“||” gives only a single logic value when comparing a vector

```
a>b || a==b
```

```
## [1] FALSE
```

### 1.2.2 and “&” “&&”

```
a>b & a==b
```

```
## [1] FALSE FALSE FALSE
```

```
y > 0 && x >= 3
```

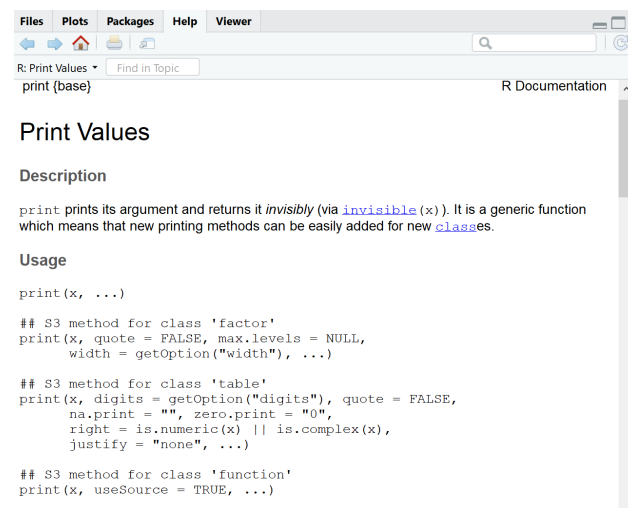
```
## [1] FALSE
```

## 1.3 About functions

### 1.3.1 Find help “?”

Find help/example/instruction for function, add a “?” before the function name:

```
?print
```



Use single quotes to get help on operators

```
? `:`
```

These helping information in the picture above will show up on the sidebar of R studio

### 1.3.2 “args”: View arguments of function

To view the list of possible arguments a function can have use ‘args’

```
args(png) #png is a function to export graph as png in your computer
```

```
## function (filename = "Rplot%03d.png", width = 480, height = 480,  
##     units = "px", pointsize = 12, bg = "white", res = NA, ...,  
##     type = c("cairo", "cairo-png", "Xlib", "quartz"), antialias)  
## NULL
```

### 1.3.3 View the whole function

To see the whole function: type in the function name without “()” followed

```
var
```

```
## function (x, y = NULL, na.rm = FALSE, use)
## {
##     if (missing(use))
##         use <- if (na.rm)
##             "na.or.complete"
##         else "everything"
##     na.method <- pmatch(use, c("all.obs", "complete.obs", "pairwise.complete.obs",
##         "everything", "na.or.complete"))
##     if (is.na(na.method))
##         stop("invalid 'use' argument")
##     if (is.data.frame(x))
##         x <- as.matrix(x)
##     else stopifnot(is.atomic(x))
##     if (is.data.frame(y))
##         y <- as.matrix(y)
##     else stopifnot(is.atomic(y))
##     .Call(C_cov, x, y, na.method, FALSE)
## }
## <bytecode: 0x5633ab0483f0>
## <environment: namespace:stats>
```

### 1.3.4 Get/set Working dictionary: “getwd()” “setwd()”

Get current working dictionary:

```
getwd()
```

```
## [1] "/home/shulai/Insync/shulai@iu.edu/Google Drive/CAIDE Lab/R-tt"
```

Set current working dictionary:

```
setwd("C:/Users/naszh/Desktop")
```

As we started, (e.x.:  $a=c(1,2,\dots)$ ) is a way to combine elements and create vectors. There also are other ways to create vectors:

## 1.4 vector or array

Create vector or array

```
x=vector()
x[3]=10
x
```

```
## [1] NA NA 10
```

```
y=array()
y[4]=1
y
```

```
## [1] NA NA NA 1
```

Difference between array and vector is that array can have more dimensions than vector:

```
array(dim=c(1,2))
```

```
##      [,1] [,2]  
## [1,]   NA   NA
```

dim stands for dimension at here.

#### 1.4.1 Assign names for a vector or array

Vectors can have names for each element, and array can have column names and row names

```
x=1:10 #x become a vector  
names(x)=paste("X",1:10,sep="")  
x
```

```
##  X1 X2 X3 X4 X5 X6 X7 X8 X9 X10  
##   1  2  3  4  5  6  7  8  9  10
```

```
y=array(2:3,dim=c(1,2))  
colnames(y)=c("col1","col2") #define column names  
rownames(y)="row1" #define row names  
y
```

```
##      col1 col2  
## row1     2     3
```

#### 1.4.2 Call elements in vector or array

call by names (use x and y value from above)

```
x["X1"] #don't forget to add " " on the name inside []
```

```
## X1  
##  1
```

```
y["row1","col1"]
```

```
## [1] 2
```

Call by index number

```
#vector:  
x=1:10  
x
```

```
## [1]  1  2  3  4  5  6  7  8  9 10
```

```
x[1]
```

```
## [1] 1
```

```
x[1:2]
```

```
## [1] 1 2
```

```
#array:  
y=array(1:20,dim=c(4,5))  
y
```

```
##      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4] [,5]
## [1,]    1    5    9   13   17
## [2,]    2    6   10   14   18
## [3,]    3    7   11   15   19
## [4,]    4    8   12   16   20
```

```
y[2,3] #row2, column 3
```

```
## [1] 10
```

```
y[2, ] #present row 2
```

```
## [1]  2  6 10 14 18
```

### 1.4.3 Select only certain things in the array

```
x=1:10
x[x>5]
```

```
## [1]  6  7  8  9 10
```

“x>5” is a logical statement and give an array of logical vlaues:

```
x>5
```

```
## [1] FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE  TRUE  TRUE  TRUE  TRUE  TRUE
```

This logical value array can be put into

```
##Dataframe
```

create dataframe:

```
d = data.frame("Feature1" = c(1,10,rep(12,2)))
d
```

```
##   Feature1
## 1         1
## 2        10
## 3        12
## 4        12
```

Call a column:

```
d$Feature1
```

```
## [1]  1 10 12 12
```

Add a column:

```
d = cbind(d, "Feature2" = c(10,29,9,2)) #cbind stand for column bind;
#similarly, rbind is for row bind.
d
```

```
##   Feature1 Feature2
## 1         1       10
## 2        10       29
## 3        12        9
## 4        12        2
```

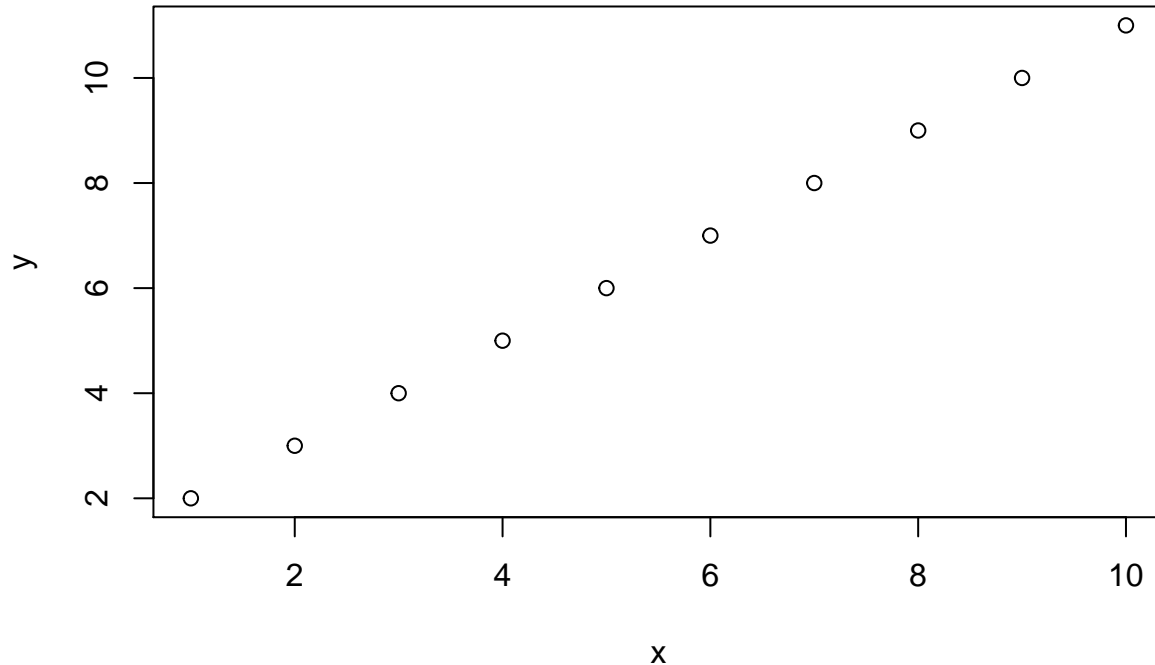
```
##Ploting
```



#### 1.4.4 “plot”

You can plot data using the function ‘plot’

```
x = 1:10;y=2:11  
plot(x,y)
```



#### 1.4.5 Export plot: “pdf”, “png”

Export plot as a pdf (or other formats).

```
pdf(file="homework1_plot2.pdf", height=3, width=3)  
plot(y,x)  
plot(x,x)  
dev.off()
```

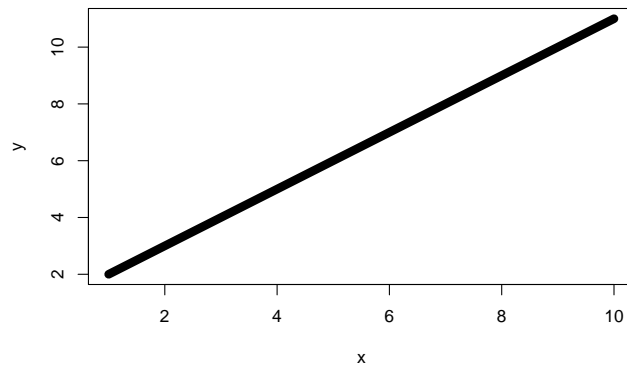
```
## pdf  
## 2
```

```
#Run these functions together  
#the first commend "pdf" startsthe graphics device to pdf,  
#and the following graphics would be produced in the pdf  
#When finish plotting, use dev,off to turns off the connection to the graphical device.  
#The file will show up in whatever your current working directory is.
```

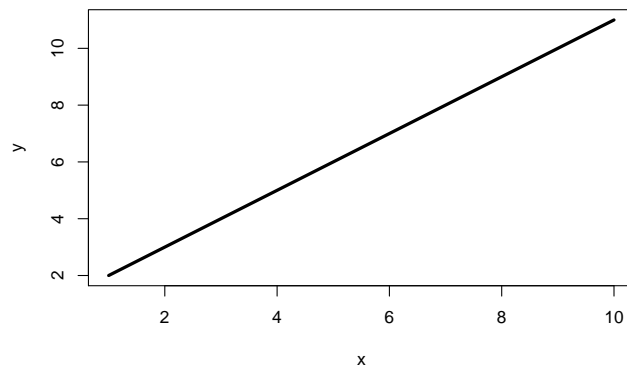
#### 1.4.6 Change font size: “plot(... , lwd= )”

Use larger font for axis labels

```
plot(x, y, type='l', lwd=8)
```

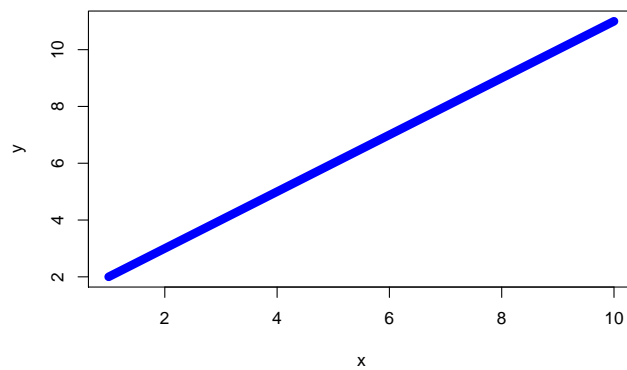


```
plot(x, y, type='l', lwd=3)
```



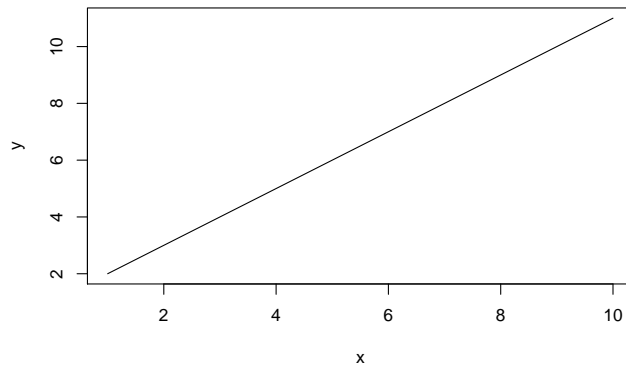
1.4.7 Change font color: “plot(... , col= )”

```
plot(x, y, type='l', lwd=8, col='blue')
```

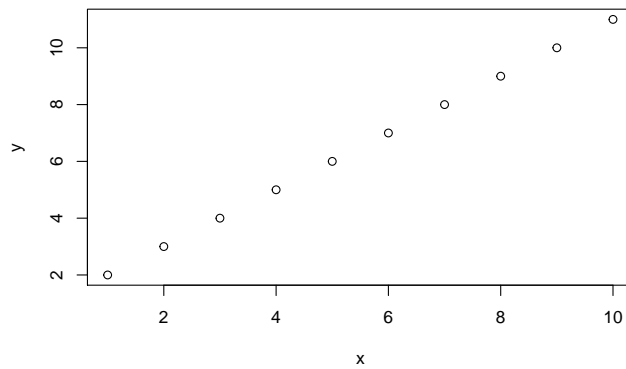


1.4.8 Change type of plot: “plot(... , type= )”

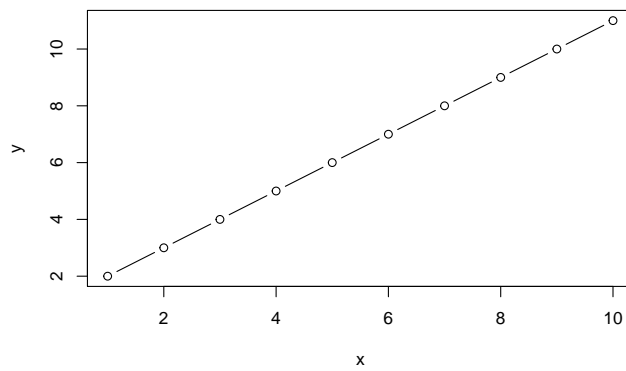
```
plot(x, y, type='l') # "l" for lines
```



```
plot(x, y, type='p') # "p" for points
```



```
plot(x, y, type='b') # "b" for both
```



More types usage see “?plot”

#### 1.4.9 Change title/ lab names

```
plot(x, y, type='l',xlab="Time",ylab="Grade",main="Time-Grade",sub="Plot 1")
```

