

R Scripting

Programming in R

Advantages of Scripting

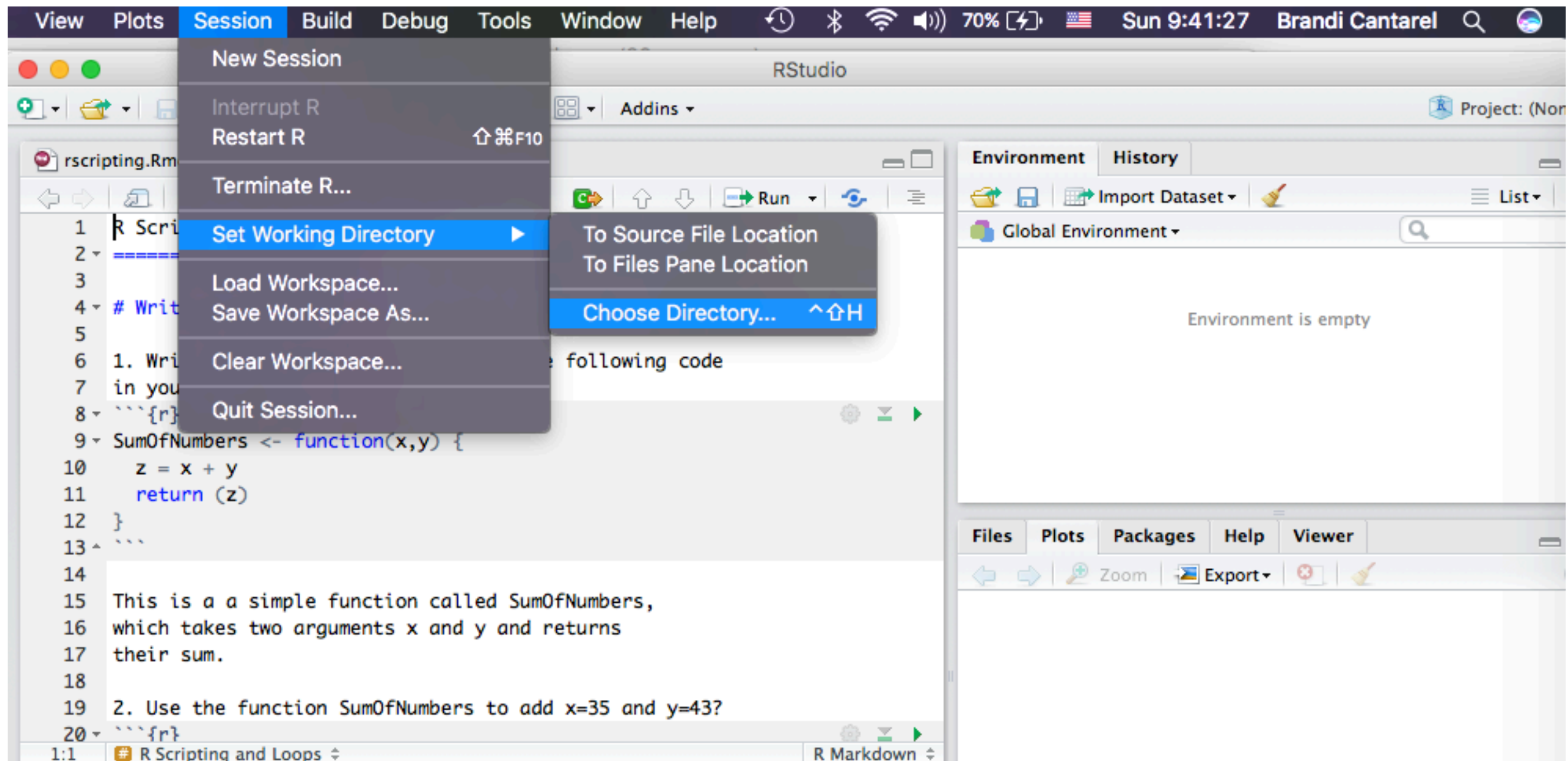
An R script is simply a text file containing (almost) the same commands that you would enter on the command line of R

- Reproducibility
- Easy to alter analysis
- Open source scripts can be made available to collaborators, reviewers and colleagues.

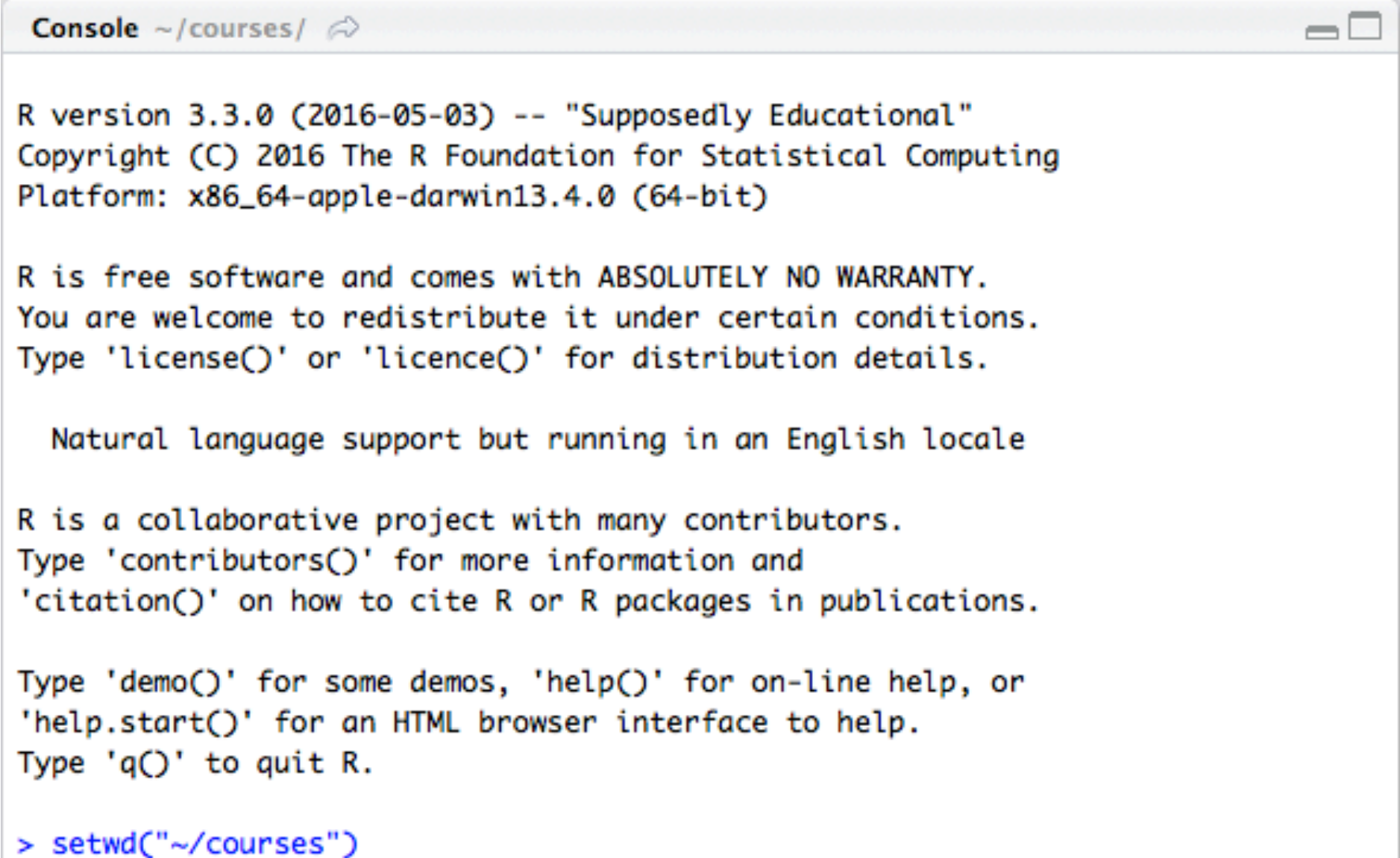
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Selecting a Working Directory



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```
Console ~/courses/ ↵  
  
R version 3.3.0 (2016-05-03) -- "Supposedly Educational"  
Copyright (C) 2016 The R Foundation for Statistical Computing  
Platform: x86_64-apple-darwin13.4.0 (64-bit)  
  
R is free software and comes with ABSOLUTELY NO WARRANTY.  
You are welcome to redistribute it under certain conditions.  
Type 'license()' or 'licence()' for distribution details.  
  
Natural language support but running in an English locale  
  
R is a collaborative project with many contributors.  
Type 'contributors()' for more information and  
'citation()' on how to cite R or R packages in publications.  
  
Type 'demo()' for some demos, 'help()' for on-line help, or  
'help.start()' for an HTML browser interface to help.  
Type 'q()' to quit R.  
  
> setwd("~/courses")
```

```
> datadir <- "~/courses/rscripting"  
> setwd(datadir)  
> list.files(datadir)  
[1] "correlation_plot.R"      "mtcars.csv"          "multi_plots.R"  
[4] "rscripting.Rmd"         "rscriptingAnswers.Rmd" "statistical_tests.R"
```

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Reading in Data From A File

```
read.table(file, header = FALSE, sep = "", quote = "\"'",  
           dec = ".", numerals = c("allow.loss", "warn.loss", "no.loss"),  
           row.names, col.names, as.is = !stringsAsFactors,  
           na.strings = "NA", colClasses = NA, nrows = -1,  
           skip = 0, check.names = TRUE, fill = !blank.lines.skip,  
           strip.white = FALSE, blank.lines.skip = TRUE,  
           comment.char = "#",  
           allowEscapes = FALSE, flush = FALSE,  
           stringsAsFactors = default.stringsAsFactors(),  
           fileEncoding = "", encoding = "unknown", text, skipNul = FALSE)
```

Reading in Data From A File

- `sep.csv <- ',' ### tab = "\t"`
- `csv.file <- "mtcars.csv"`
- `tbl <-
read.table(file=csv.file, sep=sep.csv, header=TRUE)`

```
> head(tbl)
```

	model	mpg	cyl	disp	hp	drat	wt	qsec	vs	am	gear	carb
1	Mazda RX4	21.0	6	160	110	3.90	2.620	16.46	0	1	4	4
2	Mazda RX4 Wag	21.0	6	160	110	3.90	2.875	17.02	0	1	4	4
3	Datsun 710	22.8	4	108	93	3.85	2.320	18.61	1	1	4	1
4	Hornet 4 Drive	21.4	6	258	110	3.08	3.215	19.44	1	0	3	1
5	Hornet Sportabout	18.7	8	360	175	3.15	3.440	17.02	0	0	3	2
6	Valiant	18.1	6	225	105	2.76	3.460	20.22	1	0	3	1

Row and Column Names

► `tbl <-
read.table(file=csv.file, sep=sep.csv, header
=TRUE, row.names=1)`

```
> tbl <- read.table(file=csv.file, sep=sep.csv, header=TRUE, row.names=1)  
> head(tbl)
```

	mpg	cyl	disp	hp	drat	wt	qsec	vs	am	gear	carb
Mazda RX4	21.0	6	160	110	3.90	2.620	16.46	0	1	4	4
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Valiant	18.1	6	225	105	2.76	3.460	20.22	1	0	3	1

Row and Column Names

```
> row.names(tbl)
```

[1]	"Mazda RX4"	"Mazda RX4 Wag"	"Datsun 710"
[4]	"Hornet 4 Drive"	"Hornet Sportabout"	"Valiant"
[7]	"Duster 360"	"Merc 240D"	"Merc 230"
[10]	"Merc 280"	"Merc 280C"	"Merc 450SE"
[13]	"Merc 450SL"	"Merc 450SLC"	"Cadillac Fleetwood"
[16]	"Lincoln Continental"	"Chrysler Imperial"	"Fiat 128"
[19]	"Honda Civic"	"Toyota Corolla"	"Toyota Corona"
[22]	"Dodge Challenger"	"AMC Javelin"	"Camaro Z28"
[25]	"Pontiac Firebird"	"Fiat X1-9"	"Porsche 914-2"
[28]	"Lotus Europa"	"Ford Pantera L"	"Ferrari Dino"
[31]	"Maserati Bora"	"Volvo 142E"	

```
> colnames(tbl)
```

```
[1] "mpg"  "cyl"  "disp" "hp"   "drat" "wt"   "qsec" "vs"   "am"   "gear"
[11] "carb"
```

Creating a Table on the Fly

```
▸ mpg = c(21, 22.8, 18.7)
▸ cyl = c(6, 4, 8)
▸ hp = c(110, 93, 175)
▸ df = data.frame(mpg, cyl, hp)
```

```
> head(df)
  mpg cyl  hp
1 21.0   6 110
2 22.8   4  93
3 18.7   8 175
```

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Programming Functions

- Conditional Statements
 - If and else
- Loops
 - For and apply
- Functions
 - user defined calculations
 - calling on 3rd party and built-in functions

If Statements

```
x <- 2
```

```
if (x > 0) {
```

```
log.x <- log2(x)
```

```
}
```

```
log.x
```

If/Else Statements

```
x <- 2
```

```
if (x > 0) {
```

```
log.x <- log2(x)
```

```
}else {
```

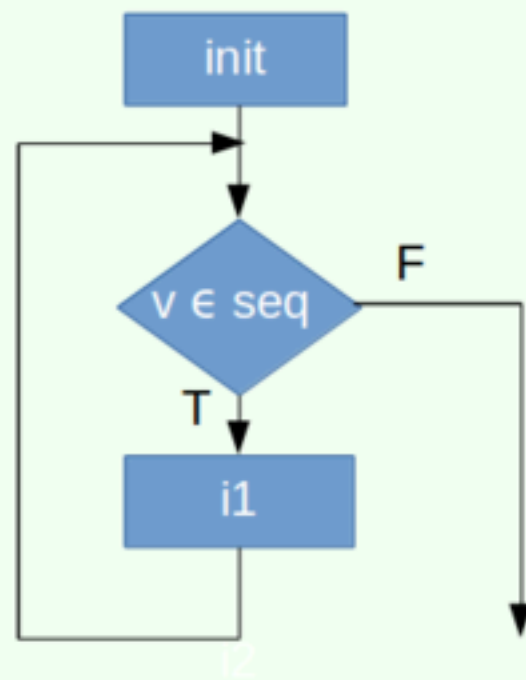
```
log.x <- 1
```

```
}
```

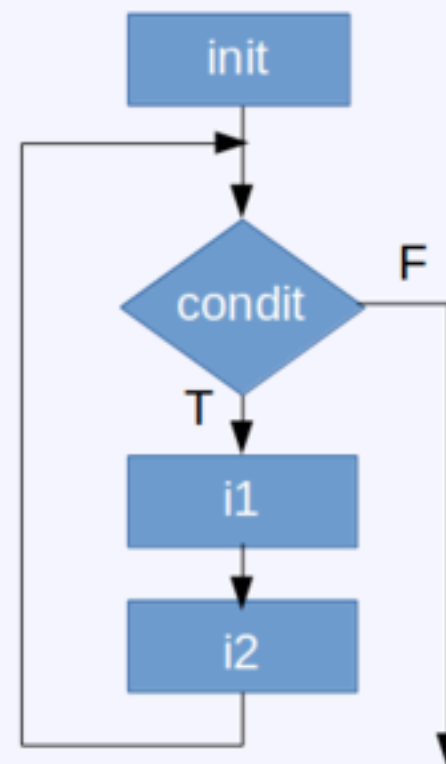
```
log.x
```

Loop Structure in R

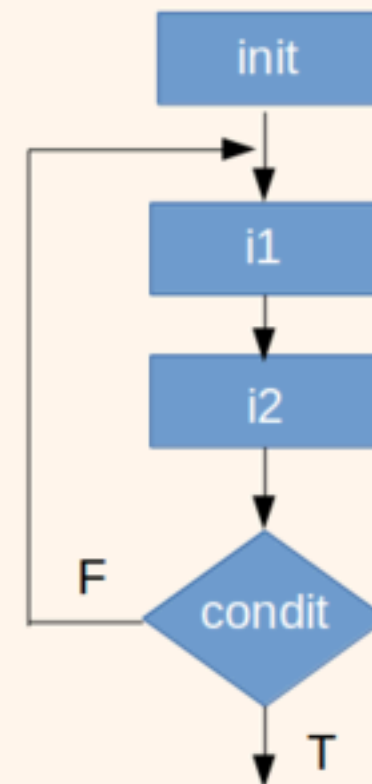
For loop



while loop



repeat loop

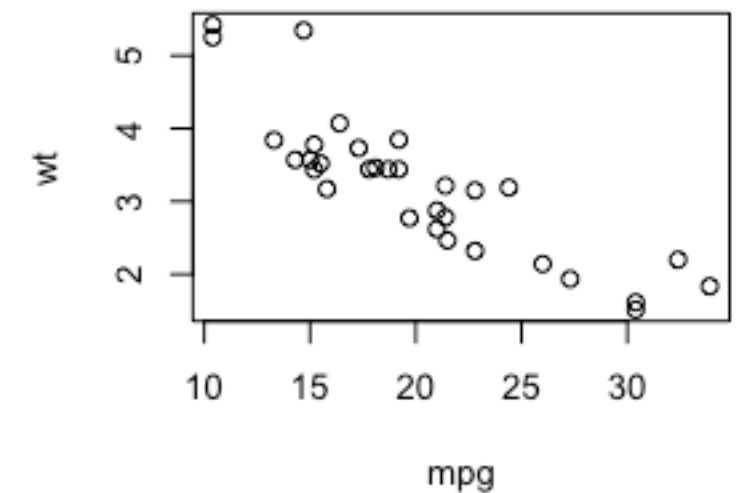
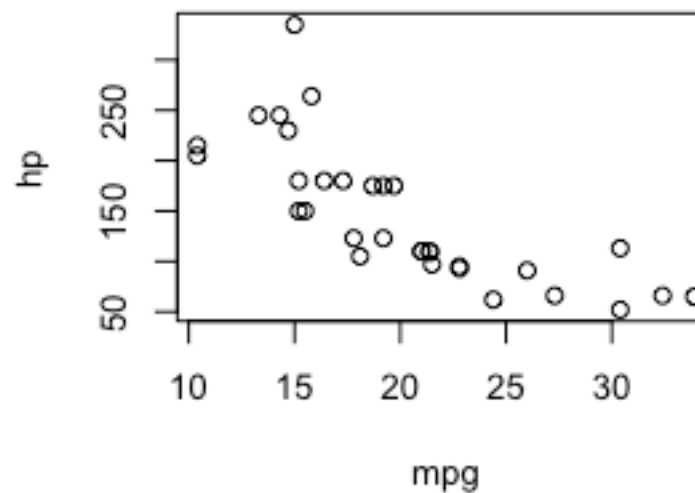
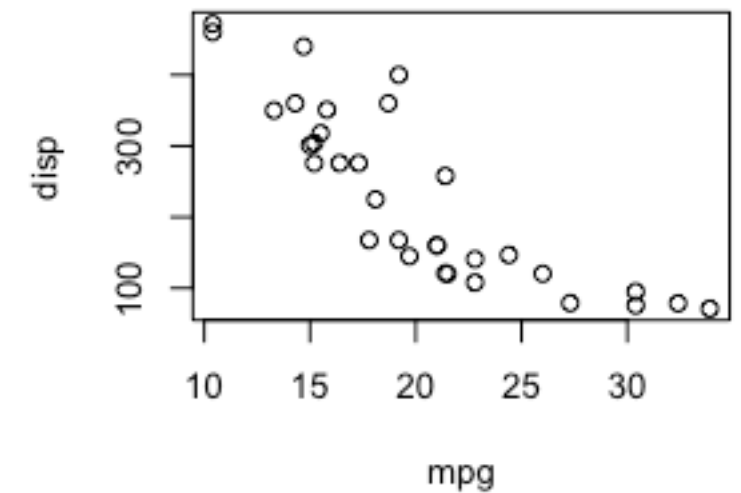
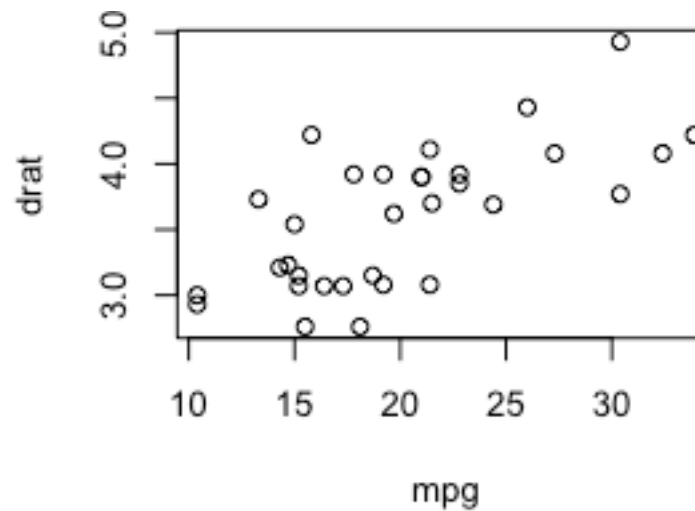


For Loops

```
Ys <- c("drat", "disp", "hp", "wt")
x <- tbl$mpg
par(mfrow=c(2,2))
for (i in 1:4) {
  y <- y <- tbl[,Ys[i]]
  plot(x,y,xlab="mpg",ylab=Ys[i])
}
```

For Loop to Create A Plot

```
Ys <- c("drat", "disp", "hp", "wt")
x <- tbl$mpg
par(mfrow=c(2,2))
for (i in 1:4) {
  y <- y <- tbl[,Ys[i]]
  plot(x,y,xlab="mpg",ylab=Ys[i])
}
```



Nested For Loops

```
Ys <- c("drat", "disp", "hp")
Xs <- c("mpg", "gear", "carb")
for (i in 1:3) {
  x <- tbl[,Xs[i]]
  for (j in 1:3) {
    y <- y <- tbl[,Ys[j]]
    plot(x,y,xlab=Xs[i],ylab=Ys[j])
  }
}
```

While Loops

```
i <- 0
square <- 0
while (square < 88) {
  i <- i+1
  square <- i*i
}
i - 1
```

```
> i <- 0
> square <- 0
> while (square < 88) {
+   i <- i+1
+   square <- i*i
+ }
> i - 1
[1] 9
```

Repeat

```
i <- 0
square <- 0
repeat {
  i <- i+1
  square <- i*i
  if (square > 88) {
    break
  }
}
i - 1
```

Without a “break”
conditional repeats
are infinite loops

Controlling Loops

- break
 - In a conditional statement to stop the loop
- next
 - In a conditional statement to skip the analysis for certain rounds of the loop

Next

```
sum = 0
num.cars = 0
for (i in 1:length(tbl$mpg) ) {
  if (tbl$cyl[i] > 6) {
    next
  } else {
    sum <- sum + tbl$mpg[i]
    num.cars <- num.cars + 1
  }
}
avg.mpg <- sum/num.cars
```

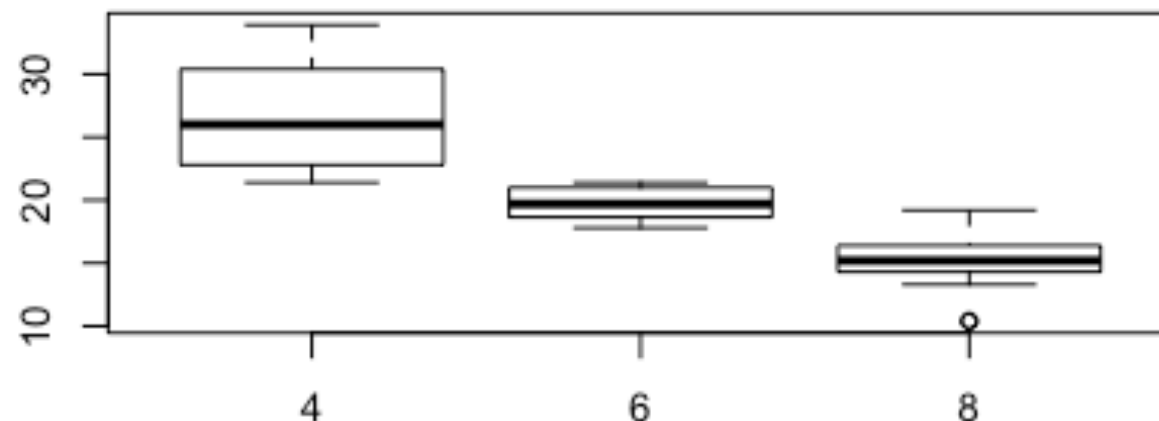
```
> sum = 0
> num.cars = 0
> for (i in 1:length(tbl$mpg) ) {
+   if (tbl$cyl[i] > 6) {
+     next
+   } else {
+     sum <- sum + tbl$mpg[i]
+     num.cars <- num.cars + 1
+   }
+ }
> avg.mpg <- sum/num.cars
>
> avg.mpg
[1] 23.97222
```

aggregate

```
> aggregate(mpg ~ cyl, tbl, mean)
```

	cyl	mpg
1	4	26.66364
2	6	19.74286
3	8	15.10000

```
> boxplot(tbl$mpg ~ tbl$cyl)
```



by:aggregate on a matrix

```
> by(tbl, tbl$cyl, colMeans)
```

```
tbl$cyl: 4
```

mpg	cyl	disp	hp	drat	wt
26.6636364	4.0000000	105.1363636	82.6363636	4.0709091	2.2857273
qsec	vs	am	gear	carb	
19.1372727	0.9090909	0.7272727	4.0909091	1.5454545	

```
tbl$cyl: 6
```

mpg	cyl	disp	hp	drat	wt
19.7428571	6.0000000	183.3142857	122.2857143	3.5857143	3.1171429
qsec	vs	am	gear	carb	
17.9771429	0.5714286	0.4285714	3.8571429	3.4285714	

```
tbl$cyl: 8
```

mpg	cyl	disp	hp	drat	wt
15.1000000	8.0000000	353.1000000	209.2142857	3.2292857	3.9992143
qsec	vs	am	gear	carb	
16.7721429	0.0000000	0.1428571	3.2857143	3.5000000	

replicate

```
> replicate(12,rnorm(10))
```

	[,1]	[,2]	[,3]	[,4]	[,5]	[,6]
[1,]	-2.4484221	-0.1425849	-0.33104757	0.02131725	-0.51043217	0.6299466
[2,]	0.1922703	0.1823492	-1.22800137	-1.13147301	0.03581989	-1.2599562
[3,]	0.5017231	2.0178642	0.03438109	0.98566852	-0.72803750	0.7020802
[4,]	1.4442887	0.6111521	0.01140353	-0.42082194	1.17832161	1.2882195
[5,]	1.1524227	-0.9662884	0.06398537	2.13513351	-0.13679937	0.4534989
[6,]	2.1098891	0.2999618	0.47736012	0.95958254	1.66187993	-1.1621893
[7,]	1.4262934	0.5653800	0.32676984	1.06038741	0.08110211	-1.2467717
[8,]	-0.8335361	-0.9941313	1.16202298	-0.03162884	0.71558689	-0.5021393
[9,]	-0.5051440	-0.0198518	-2.22389459	-0.76559150	-0.42438225	0.8612826
[10,]	0.1673019	-0.8884450	-1.27388283	0.55279621	-0.74381015	-0.2384732

	[,7]	[,8]	[,9]	[,10]	[,11]	[,12]
[1,]	-1.1074932	1.43061337	-0.4752098	0.1267295	-1.4341393	-0.39218672
[2,]	-0.5775814	0.33127789	0.3512621	-0.2248461	0.1112402	1.05474794
[3,]	0.7867060	0.52046312	1.8914330	0.3709762	-0.7369606	-0.66392587
[4,]	0.4120193	-1.79027281	0.1290036	0.4780985	1.3180441	-0.68438674
[5,]	-1.0544244	0.50192616	-0.2211385	0.1509953	-1.3769244	-0.94383187
[6,]	-1.1150998	-0.85835157	1.3853010	-1.1402802	0.9414104	-0.84507143
[7,]	-0.2715535	0.18882009	1.5430503	-0.1789196	0.1631383	0.74051938
[8,]	0.3062152	-0.04821108	1.0386594	0.6944796	-0.8141440	0.41171604
[9,]	-1.1613990	0.88830458	-1.4306303	0.6175879	0.7409139	-1.42885670
[10,]	-1.4743401	0.03121555	-0.8163763	1.5238221	-0.6018527	0.05055171

User Defined Functions

There are lots of built-in functions in R. But sometimes, you need some code that isn't.

Functions are just a sets of instructions that we want to use repeatedly or that, because of their complexity, are better self-contained in a sub program and called when needed.

Basic Function Elements

```
function.name <- function(arguments)
{
  computations on the arguments
  some other code
}
```

Basic Function Elements

```
square <- function(x)

{

x^2

}
```

```
> square <- function(x)
+ {
+   x^2
+ }
> square(40)
[1] 1600
> square(18)
[1] 324
> square(61)
[1] 3721
> k <- 17
> square(k)
[1] 289
```

Setting a default value range

```
square <- function(x,n=seq(0.05, 1, by =  
0.01))
```

```
{
```

x^n

```
}
```

```
> square <- function(x,n=seq(0.05, 1, by = 0.01))  
+ {  
+   x^n  
+ }  
> square(2,5)  
[1] 32  
> square(2)  
[1] 1.035265 1.042466 1.049717 1.057018 1.064370 1.071773 1.079228  
[8] 1.086735 1.094294 1.101905 1.109569 1.117287 1.125058 1.132884  
[15] 1.140764 1.148698 1.156688 1.164734 1.172835 1.180993 1.189207  
[22] 1.197479 1.205808 1.214195 1.222640 1.231144 1.239708 1.248331  
[29] 1.257013 1.265757 1.274561 1.283426 1.292353 1.301342 1.310393  
[36] 1.319508 1.328686 1.337928 1.347234 1.356604 1.366040 1.375542  
[43] 1.385109 1.394744 1.404445 1.414214 1.424050 1.433955 1.443929  
[50] 1.453973 1.464086 1.474269 1.484524 1.494849 1.505247 1.515717  
[57] 1.526259 1.536875 1.547565 1.558329 1.569168 1.580083 1.591073  
[64] 1.602140 1.613284 1.624505 1.635804 1.647182 1.658639 1.670176  
[71] 1.681793 1.693491 1.705270 1.717131 1.729074 1.741101 1.753211  
[78] 1.765406 1.777685 1.790050 1.802501 1.815038 1.827663 1.840375  
[85] 1.853176 1.866066 1.879045 1.892115 1.905276 1.918528 1.931873  
[92] 1.945310 1.958841 1.972465 1.986185 2.000000  
|
```

Calling Functions in Your Function

```
my.fun <- function(X.matrix, y.vec, z.scalar) {  
  
  sq.scalar <- square(z.scalar, 2)  
  mult <- X.matrix %*% y.vec  
  final <- mult * sq.scalar  
  return(final)  
}
```

```
> my.fun(my.mat, my.vec, 5)  
           [,1]  
[1, ]    475  
[2, ]    600  
[3, ]    625
```

Functions: Returning a List

```
my.fun <- function(X.matrix, y.vec,  
z.scalar) {  
  
  sq.scalar <- square(z.scalar,2)  
  mult <- X.matrix %*% y.vec  
  final <- mult * sq.scalar  
  return(list(sq.num=sq.scalar,  
matmult=final))  
}
```

```
> my.fun(my.mat,  
my.vec, 5)  
$sq.num  
[1] 25  
  
$matmult  
      [,1]  
[1,] 475  
[2,] 600  
[3,] 625
```


Function Best Practices

- Keep your functions short.
- If things start to get very long, you can probably split up your function into more manageable chunks that call other functions. This makes your code cleaner and easily testable.
- Functions makes your code easy to update. You only have to change one function and every other function that uses that function will also be automatically updated.
- Put in comments on what are the inputs to the function, what the function does, and what is the output.
- Check for errors along the way.
- Try out your function with simple examples to make sure it's working properly

Apply

- The apply family can be used to perform functions to manipulate slices of data from matrices, arrays, lists and data frames in a repetitive way.
- `apply` — operates on array or matrix
- `lapply` and `sapply`— traversing over a set of data like a list or vector, and calling the specified function for each item. `sapply` return a vector and `lapply` returns a list
- `mapply` —'multivariate' apply.
- `tapply` — applies a function to each cell of an array

Apply Functions

- `(N)apply(X, MARGIN, FUN, ...)`
- Apply
 - `apply(tbl, 2, sum)` #Sum of each column in tbl
 - `ColMax <- function(x) apply(x, 2, max)`
- Sapply/Lapply
 - `sapply(1:3, function(x) x^2)`
- Mapply
 - `mapply(rep, 1:4, 4:1)`
- Tapply
 - `tapply(tblmpg, tblcyl, mean)`

Other built-In Loop Functions

- `summary(tbl)`
 - gives the min, quantiles, mean, max for a data.frame or matrix of numbers
- `aggregate(mpg ~ cyl, tbl, mean)`
 - will perform a functions on a vector in a matrix or data.frame using a variable to “bin” the data
- `by(tbl, tbl$cyl, colMeans)`
 - will perform a function on all vectors in a matrix or data.frame using a variable to “bin” the data
- `replicate(12, rnorm(10))`
 - will create a matrix using a function that is “repeated”

Function with Loop and Conditional

```
r <- rainbow(3)
choose.col <- function(n) {
  colorvec <- vector(mode="character", length=length(n))
  for (i in 1:length(n)) {
    if ( n[i] > 3 ) {
      colorvec[i] = r[1]
    }
    if (n[i] > 5) {
      colorvec[i] = r[2]
    }
    if( n[i] > 7) {
      colorvec[i] = r[3]
    }
  }
  c(colorvec)
}

col.pch <- choose.col(tbl$cyl)
```

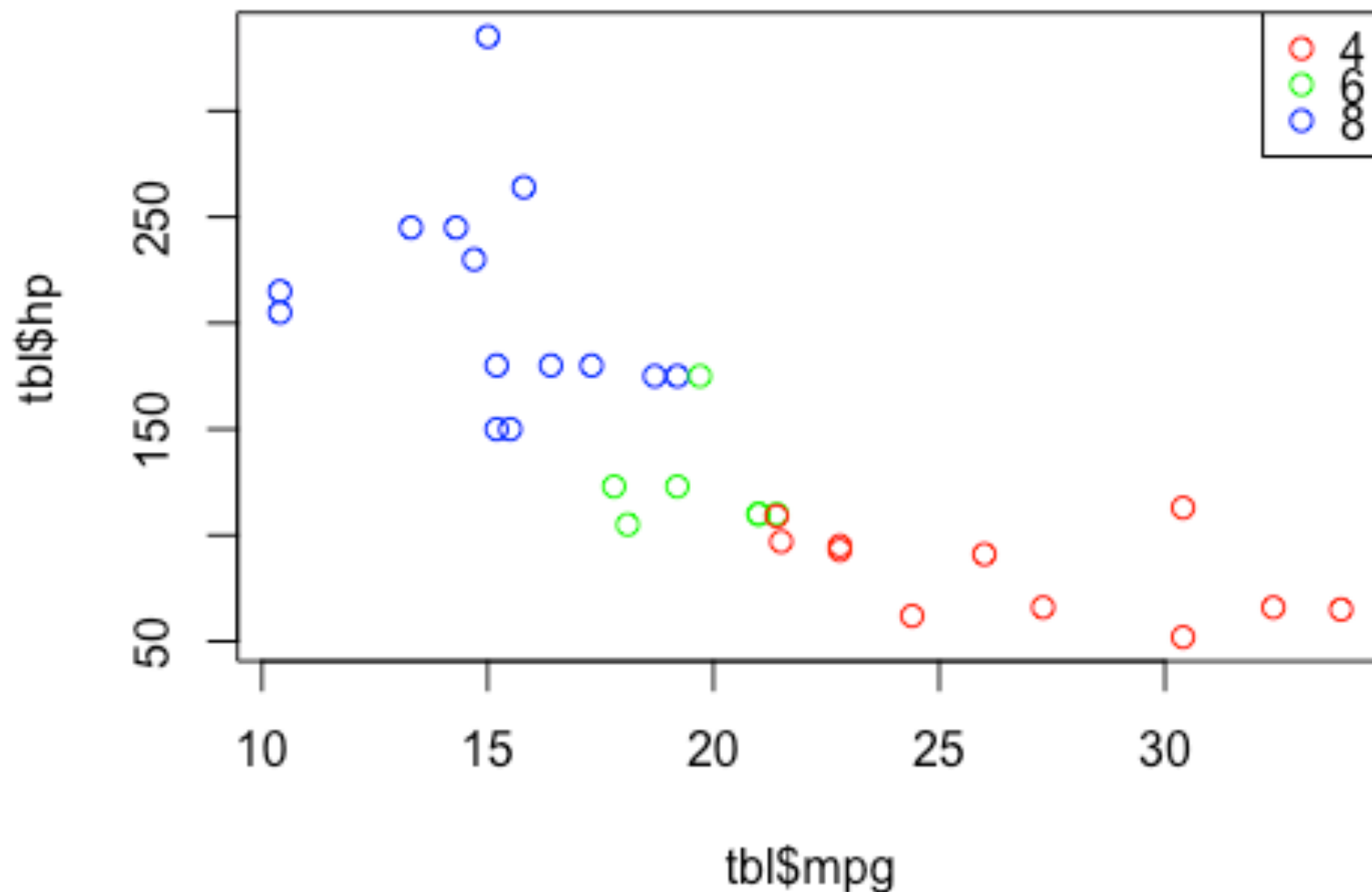
Apply and Conditional Function

```
r <- rainbow(3)
choose.col <- function(n) {
  if ( n > 3 ) {
    col.n <- r[1]
  }
  if (n > 5) {
    col.n <- r[2]
  }
  if( n > 7) {
    col.n <- r[3]
  }
  col.n
}
```

```
col.pch <- sapply(tbl$cyl,choose.col)
```

Calling Functions in Plot

```
plot(tbl$mpg, tbl$hp, col=sapply(tbl$cyl, choose.col))  
legend("topright", legend=c(4, 6, 8), col=r, pch=1)
```



Calling Functions

- Functions can be stored in the script
- To use functions in many scripts, they can be saved in their own files or as a function “set”
- Use Source to call functions in another file
 - `source(“square_functions.R”)`

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Save and Load

- R Objects (variables) can be saved into a file
 - `save(mut.list,file='mult_list.Rda')`
- Saved Objects can be loaded into a new session
 - `load('mult_list.Rda')`

Export Table

- write.table (tab or comma delimited)
 - write.table(mydata, "mydata.txt",
sep="\t",quote=FALSE,row.names=TRUE)
 - write.table(mydata, "mydata.txt",
sep="," ,quote=TRUE,row.names=TRUE)
- write.xlsx
 - library(xlsx)
 - write.xlsx(mydata, "mydata.xlsx")

Graphical Outputs

- postscript
 - `postscript(file="cool_plot.ps",paper="letter",horizontal=TRUE)`
- png
 - `png(filename = "mpg_by_cyl.png",width = 480,height = 480)`
- tiff
 - `tiff(filename = "mpg_by_cyl.tiff",width = 480,height = 480)`

*Most scientific journals except eps or tiff for final figures

Putting it all together

```
r <- rainbow(3)
choose.col <- function(n) {
  if ( n > 3 ) {
    col.n <- r[1]
  }
  if (n > 5) {
    col.n <- r[2]
  }
  if( n > 7) {
    col.n <- r[3]
  }
  col.n
}
```

plot_mpg.R

```
sep.csv <- ',' ### tab = "\t"
csv.file <- "mtcars.csv"
tbl <- read.table(file=csv.file,sep=sep.csv,header=TRUE)

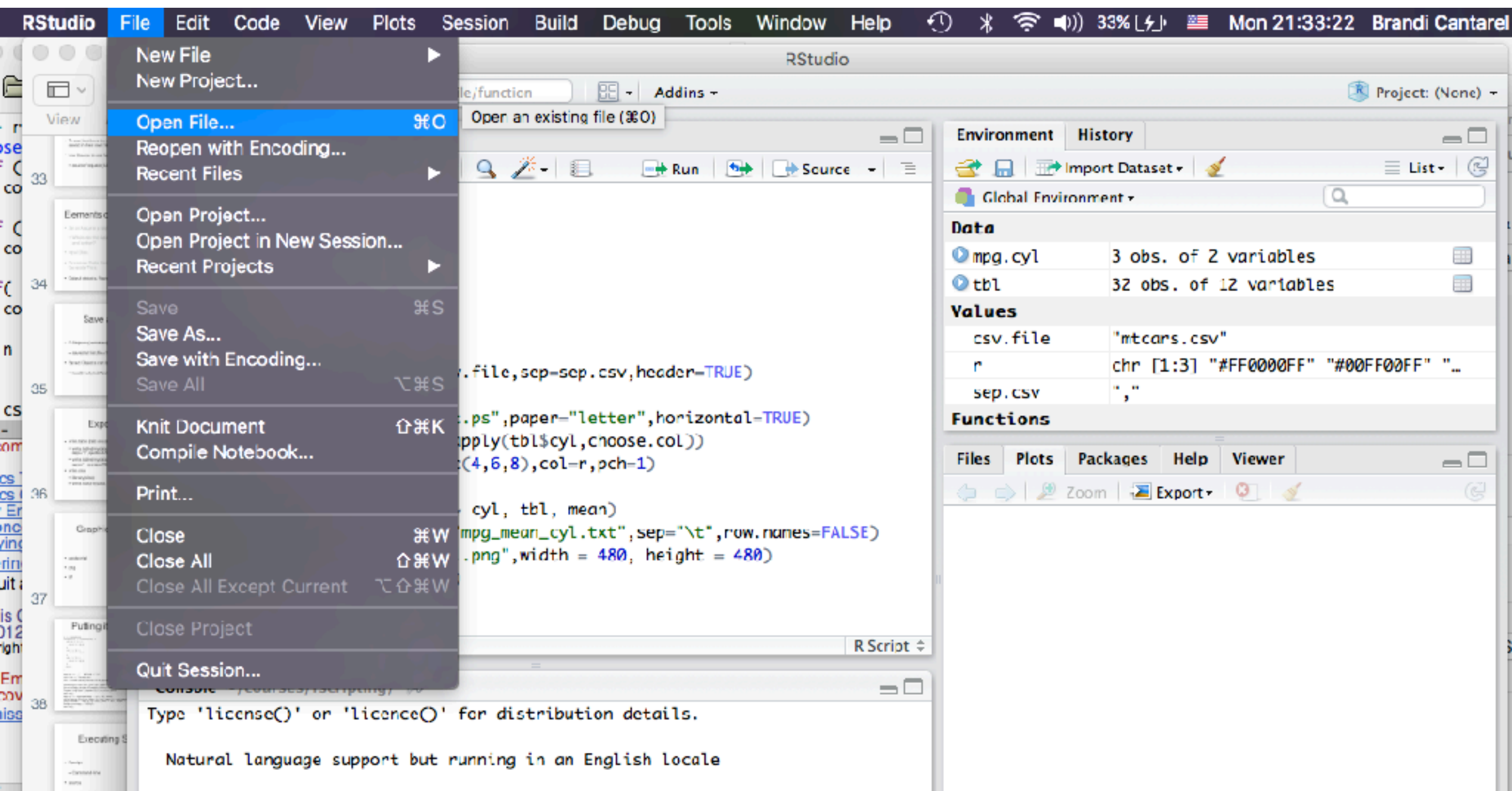
postscript(file="cool_plot.ps",paper="letter",horizontal=TRUE)
plot(tbl$mpg,tbl$hp,col=sapply(tbl$cyl,choose.col))
legend("topright",legend=c(4,6,8),col=r,pch=1)
dev.off()

mpg.cyl <- aggregate(mpg ~ cyl, tbl, mean)
write.table(file="mpg_mean_cyl.txt",sep="\t",row.names=FALSE)
png(filename = "mpg_by_cyl.png",width = 480, height = 480)
boxplot(tbl$mpg ~ tbl$cyl)
dev.off()
```

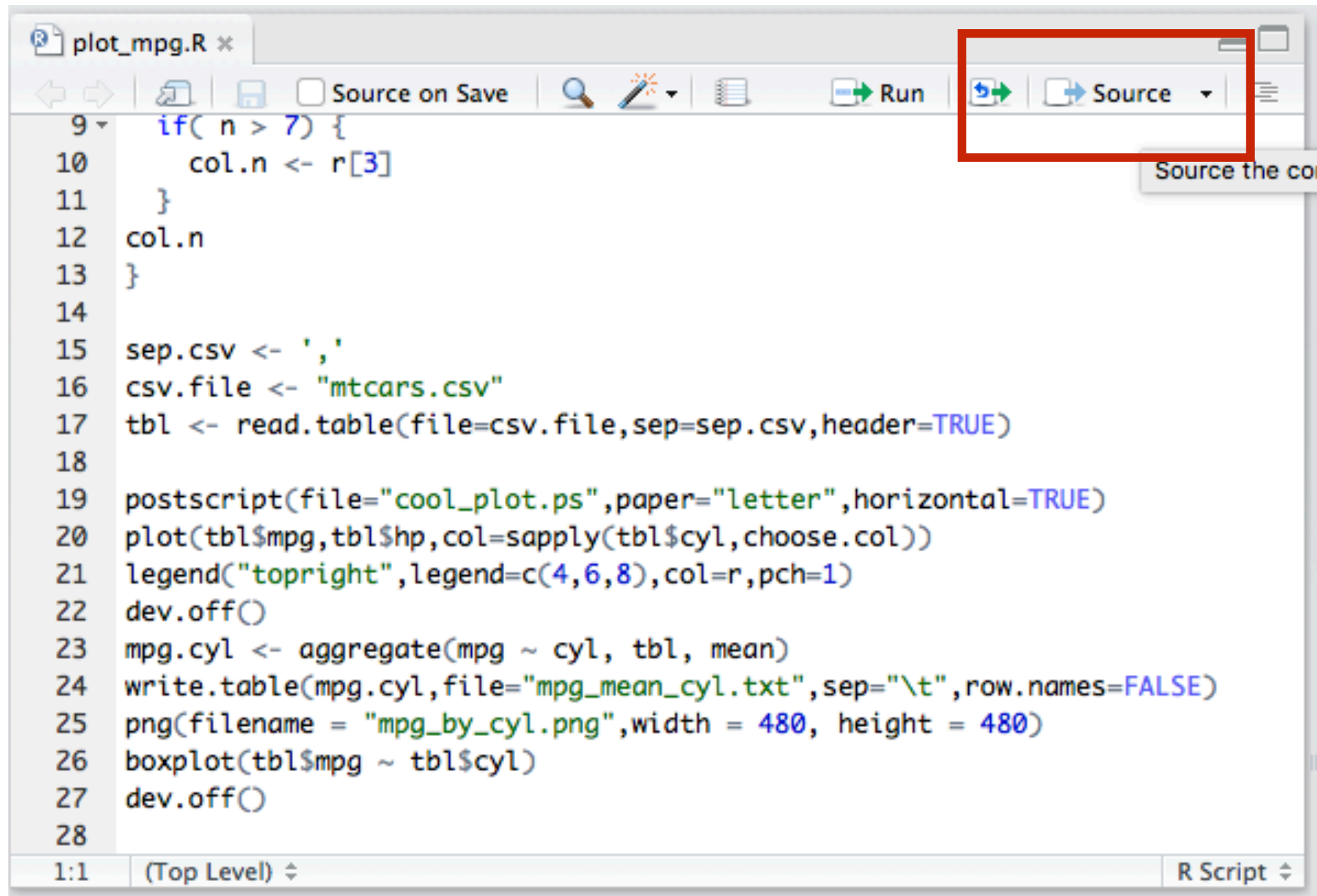
Executing Scripts

- source
- Run in R studio
- Rscript
 - Command-line

source



source



```
plot_mpg.R *
Source on Save
Run
Source

9  if( n > 7) {
10    col.n <- r[3]
11  }
12  col.n
13 }
14
15 sep.csv <- ','
16 csv.file <- "mtcars.csv"
17 tbl <- read.table(file=csv.file,sep=sep.csv,header=TRUE)
18
19 postscript(file="cool_plot.ps",paper="letter",horizontal=TRUE)
20 plot(tbl$mpg,tbl$hp,col=sapply(tbl$cyl,choose.col))
21 legend("topright",legend=c(4,6,8),col=r,pch=1)
22 dev.off()
23 mpg.cyl <- aggregate(mpg ~ cyl, tbl, mean)
24 write.table(mpg.cyl,file="mpg_mean_cyl.txt",sep="\t",row.names=FALSE)
25 png(filename = "mpg_by_cyl.png",width = 480, height = 480)
26 boxplot(tbl$mpg ~ tbl$cyl)
27 dev.off()
28

1:1 (Top Level) R Script
```


source

The screenshot displays the RStudio IDE interface. The top toolbar includes icons for file operations and a search bar labeled 'Go to file/function'. The 'Console' pane on the left shows the R startup message and the execution of the `source(file='plot_mpg.R')` command. The 'Environment' pane on the right shows the 'Global Environment' with a search bar and a list of objects. The 'Data' section lists `mpg.cyl` (3 obs. of 2 variables) and `tbl` (32 obs. of 12 variables). The 'Values' section shows `csv.file` with value `"mtcars.csv"`, `r` with value `chr [1:3] "#FF0000FF" "#00FF00FF" "..."`, and `sep.csv` with value `","`. The 'Functions' section is currently empty. The bottom toolbar includes icons for navigation, zoom, and export.

Console `~/courses/rscripding/`

```
R version 3.3.0 (2016-05-03) -- "Supposedly Educational"
Copyright (C) 2016 The R Foundation for Statistical Computing
Platform: x86_64-apple-darwin13.4.0 (64-bit)

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Natural language support but running in an English locale

R is a collaborative project with many contributors.
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'citation()' on how to cite R or R packages in publications.

Type 'demo()' for some demos, 'help()' for on-line help, or
'help.start()' for an HTML browser interface to help.
Type 'q()' to quit R.

> source(file='plot_mpg.R')
```

Environment History

Global Environment

Data

mpg.cyl	3 obs. of 2 variables
tbl	32 obs. of 12 variables

Values

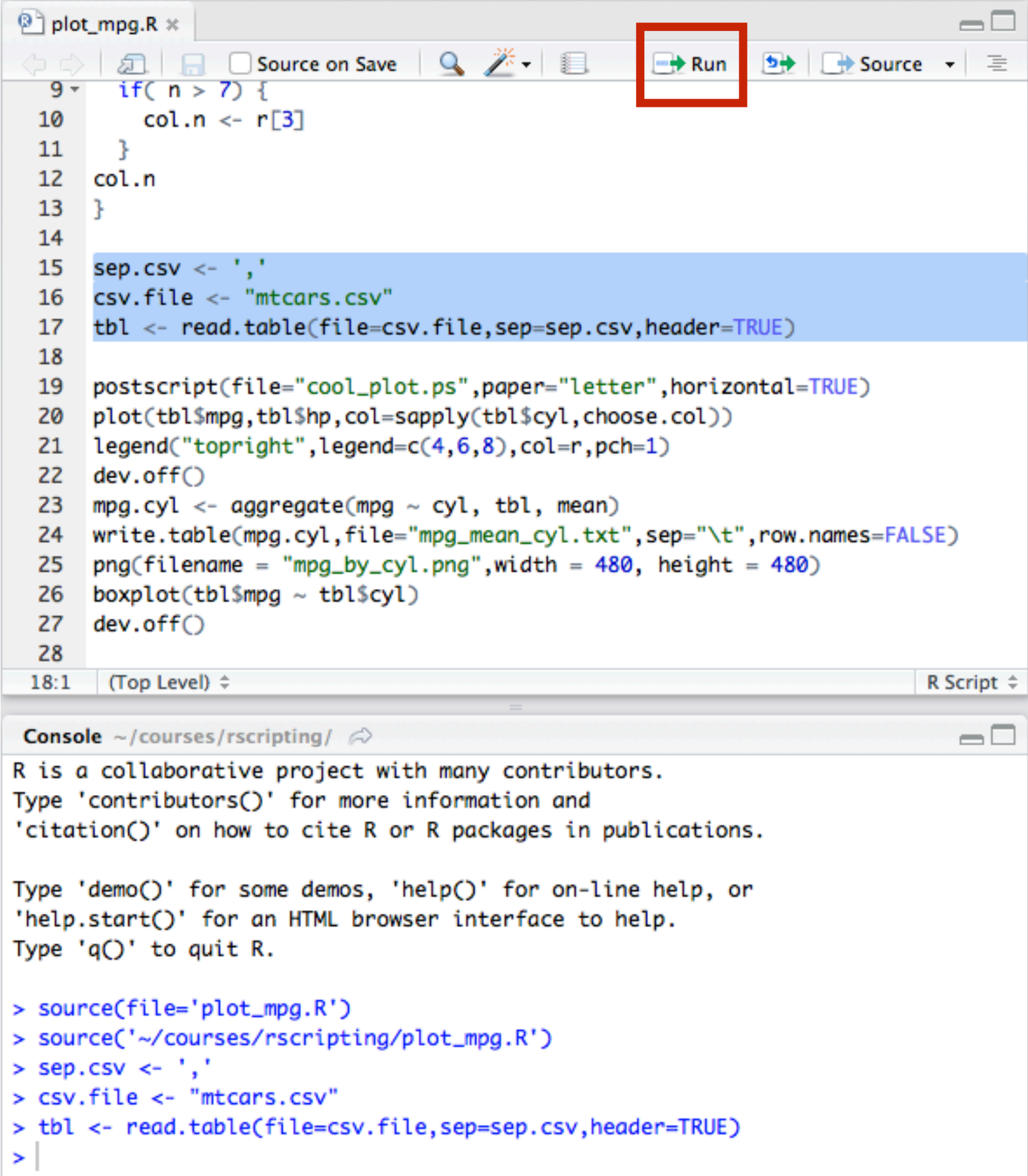
csv.file	"mtcars.csv"
r	chr [1:3] "#FF0000FF" "#00FF00FF" "..."
sep.csv	","

Functions

Files Plots Packages Help Viewer

Zoom Export

Run



```
plot_mpg.R x
Source on Save
Run
if( n > 7) {
  col.n <- r[3]
}
col.n
}

sep.csv <- ','
csv.file <- "mtcars.csv"
tbl <- read.table(file=csv.file,sep=sep.csv,header=TRUE)

postscript(file="cool_plot.ps",paper="letter",horizontal=TRUE)
plot(tbl$mpg,tbl$hp,col=sapply(tbl$cyl,choose.col))
legend("topright",legend=c(4,6,8),col=r,pch=1)
dev.off()
mpg.cyl <- aggregate(mpg ~ cyl, tbl, mean)
write.table(mpg.cyl,file="mpg_mean_cyl.txt",sep="\t",row.names=FALSE)
png(filename = "mpg_by_cyl.png",width = 480, height = 480)
boxplot(tbl$mpg ~ tbl$cyl)
dev.off()

18:1 (Top Level) R Script

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'help.start()' for an HTML browser interface to help.
Type 'q()' to quit R.

> source(file='plot_mpg.R')
> source('~/.courses/rscripding/plot_mpg.R')
> sep.csv <- ','
> csv.file <- "mtcars.csv"
> tbl <- read.table(file=csv.file,sep=sep.csv,header=TRUE)
>
```

Rscript

```
[bcantarel@lt-osx:~/courses/rscribing] bcantarel% Rscript plot_mpg.R
null device
      1
null device
      1
[bcantarel@lt-osx:~/courses/rscribing] bcantarel% ls -ltr
total 136
-rw-r--r--@ 1 bcantarel  staff    944 Jan 21 10:23 statistical_tests.R
-rw-r--r--@ 1 bcantarel  staff   8169 Jan 21 10:23 rscribingAnswers.Rmd
-rw-r--r--@ 1 bcantarel  staff   6612 Jan 21 10:23 rscribing.Rmd
-rw-r--r--@ 1 bcantarel  staff    900 Jan 21 10:23 correlation_plot.R
-rw-r--r--@ 1 bcantarel  staff    293 Jan 21 10:23 multi_plots.R
-rw-r--r--@ 1 bcantarel  staff   1700 Jan 21 10:23 mtcars.csv
-rw-r--r--  1 bcantarel  staff    141 Jan 23 21:11 mult_list.Rda
-rw-r--r--  1 bcantarel  staff    637 Jan 23 21:27 plot_mpg.R~
-rw-r--r--  1 bcantarel  staff    645 Jan 23 21:27 plot_mpg.R
-rw-r--r--  1 bcantarel  staff     57 Jan 23 21:27 mpg_mean_cyl.txt
-rw-r--r--  1 bcantarel  staff  12129 Jan 23 21:27 mpg_by_cyl.png
-rw-r--r--  1 bcantarel  staff   5548 Jan 23 21:27 cool_plot.ps
```

Command Line Arguments

- `commandArgs`
 - accepts values on the command-line and pushes them into an array in the order of the values
- `argparse`
 - accepts values on the command-line using “command line options”
 - prints out help messages

commandArgs

```
args<-commandArgs(TRUE)
# Get variables from command line
num1 <- as.numeric(args[1])
num2 <- as.numeric(args[2])
square <- function(x,n=seq(1, num2, by
= 1))
{
x^n
}
x <- c(1:num2)
y <- square(num1)
postscript(file="exp_plot.ps",paper="le
tter",horizontal=TRUE)
plot(x,y,ylab=paste(num1,"^x",sep=" "))
dev.off()
```

On the command-line:
Rscript exp_plot.R 2 10

argparse

```
usage: exp_plot_argparse.R [-h] [-n number] [-x number]
```

```
optional arguments:
```

```
-h, --help            show this help message and exit
```

```
-n number, --number number
```

```
                    The number that will be multiplied by itself
```

```
-x number, --exponent number
```

```
                    The number of times -n is multiplied itself (exponent)
```

```
parser <- ArgumentParser()
```

```
# specify our desired options
```

```
# by default ArgumentParser will add an help option
```

```
parser$add_argument("-n", "--number", type="integer",  
default=2,
```

```
help="The number that will be multiplied by itself",  
metavar="number")
```

```
parser$add_argument("-x", "--exponent", type="integer",  
default=10,
```

```
help="The number of times -n is multiplied itself  
(exponent",  
metavar="number")
```

argparse

```
library(argparse)
parser <- ArgumentParser()

parser$add_argument("-n", "--number",
  type="integer", default=2,
  help="The number that will be multiplied by
  itself",
  metavar="number")
parser$add_argument("-x", "--exponent",
  type="integer", default=10,
  help="The number of times -n is multiplied itself
  (exponent)",
  metavar="number")
args <- parser$parse_args()
num1 <- args$number
num2 <- args$exponent
square <- function(x,n=seq(1, num2, by = 1))
{
  x^n
}
x <- c(1:num2)
y <- square(num1)
postscript(file="exp_plot2.ps",paper="letter",
horizontal=TRUE)
plot(x,y,ylab=paste(num1,"^x",sep=""))
dev.off()
```

On the command-line:
Rscript exp_plot.R -n 2 -x 10

10-Minute Break

Workshop Starts in 10 Minutes