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<http://www.nceas.ucsb.edu/files/scicomp/Dloads/RProgramming/BestFirstRTutorial.pdf>

Turn in your R output for the following.

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### # Mathematical operations

```
2+2
(4*3)/2
```

### # Built-in functions

```
sqrt(144)
log(100)
exp(4.60517)
```

### # Assignment of values

```
x <- 2.4
y <- sqrt(16)
z <- x*y
z
```

### # Sequences

```
x <- 1:100
x
# seq(from, to, by)
# e.g., to make a sequence of numbers from 0 to 100 in increments of 2
x <- seq(0,100,2)
x
```

### # vectors

```
S <- c(0,12,14,84,312)
S
mean(S)
length(S)
2*S
S[3]
S[2:4]
```

In R, operations on vectors are often applied to each element of the vector.  
 So when x holds the vector (4, 2, 6), the command x-2 subtracts 2 from each element of the vector, yielding (2, 0, 4).

### **# matrices**

```
m1 <- c(0.2, 1.2, 1.4, 0)
m2 <- c(0.3, 0, 0, 0)
m3 <- c(0, 0.4, 0, 0)
matrix1 <- rbind(m1, m2, m3)
matrix1
matrix1[3,2]
matrix1[2, ]
matrix1[ , 2]
```

### **# data frames**

```
# "trees" is included in the base package
str(trees)
summary(trees)
trees$Height
```

### **# graphics**

```
plot(trees$Height ~ trees$Girth)
with(trees, plot(Height ~ Girth))
attach(trees)
plot(Girth, Height)
```

### **# for loop**

```
steps <- 8;           # number of time steps to be simulated
lambda <- 1.08;
N <- numeric(steps+1); # creates an empty vector; filled with 0's
N[1] <- 5;            # the initial population size is assigned to the 1st element
```

```
for(i in 1:steps){
  N[i+1] <- N[i]*lambda
}
N
```

```
plot(N)
plot(N, type = 'l')
```

### **# statistical distributions**

```
rnorm(10) # random draw of 10 values from a normal distribution; mean = sd = 1
rnorm(10, 2, 0.8) # 10 values with mean = 2, sd = 0.8
```

```
# density at x = 1.3 of the normal distribution with mean = 2.1 and sd = 0.9
dnorm(1.3, 2.1, 0.9)
```

```
# cumulative probability of the normal distribution (with mean = 2.1 and sd = 0.9)
# at x = 2.5; that is, the proportion of the normal distribution that lies below x = 2.5
pnorm(2.5, 2.1, 0.9)
```

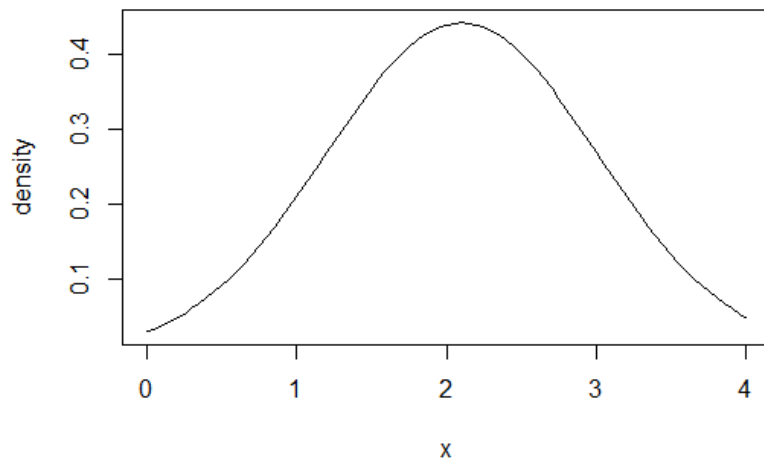
The result, 0.6716394, means that 67.16% of the normal distribution lies below  $x = 2.5$ .

For the same mean and s.d., the probability that  $x$  lies between -1.1 and 1.8 is given by:  
`pnorm(1.8, 2.1, 0.9) - pnorm(-1.1, 2.1, 0.9)`

Section 7, exercise 7, asks you to find the values of density, distribution, and quantile functions for a normal distribution. In R, these are called `dnorm`, `pnorm`, and `qnorm` respectively. Plotting examples may help you to understand the functions. Consider a normal distribution with a mean of 2.1 and a standard deviation of 0.9

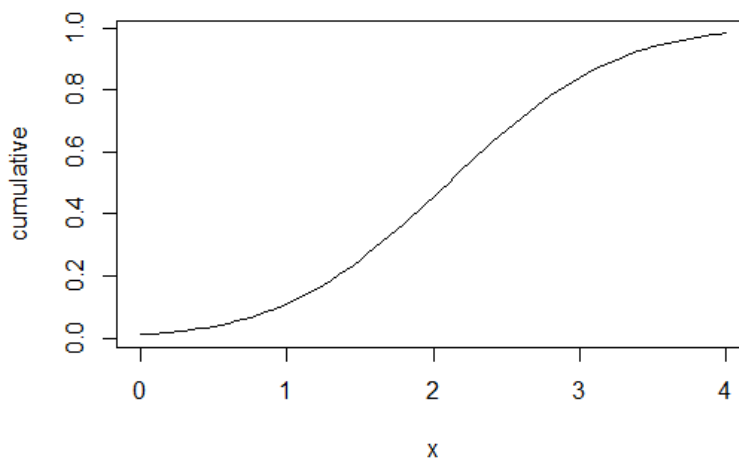
Here is a way to plot the density function `dnorm` from  $x = 0$  to  $x = 4$ .

```
# generate a sequence of closely spaced values from 0 to 4
x <- seq(0, 4, 0.05)
# find the density at each value of x; save the results in an object called "normdensity".
normdensity <- dnorm(x, 2, 0.25)
# plot the density versus x; type = "l" produces a line graph
plot(normdensity ~ x, type = "l", ylab = "density")
```



Similarly, to make a plot of the distribution function (cumulative probability):

```
cumulative_normal <- pnorm(x, 2.1, 0.9)
plot(cumulative_normal ~ x, type = "l", ylab = "cumulative")
```



### **# Stochastic population growth**

```
steps <- 25;           # number of time steps to be simulated
N <- numeric(steps+1); # creates an empty vector; filled with 0's
lambda <- numeric(steps); # creates an empty vector
N[1] <- 10;            # the initial pop. density is assigned to the 1st element

for(i in 1:steps){
  lambda[i] <- rnorm(1, 1.05, 0.1) # draw a number from the normal distribution
  N[i+1] <- N[i]*lambda[i]         # calculate the new population density
}
N                                  # show the values of N
lambda                            # show the values of lambda

plot(N, type = 'l')               # plot the population trajectory
```