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## Lecture 00, Intro to R

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Here is a link to a reference book for **R**: [An Introduction to R](#)

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```

```
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So we will write our code in `.r` files, so we can run, update, change our code when we wish to.

And please send your **R** homework as `.r` files 😊

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- ▶ when you are in the console, use `Ctrl + L` to clear the console (without deleting the variables and data you have)

## R Basic Operations and Commands

Here are some simple calculation examples. Try to run the following lines in the **R** Console:

```
pi*sqrt(10)+exp(4)
```

```
## [1] 64.53274
```

```
2^10
```

```
## [1] 1024
```

```
sin(2*pi)
```

```
## [1] -2.449213e-16
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```
rm(x)
```



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We can concatenate also several vectors:

```
x <- c(1,2,3); y <- c(4,5,6); z <- c(x,y)  
z
```

```
## [1] 1 2 3 4 5 6
```



## Basic Methods to make Vectors

Besides the above method, by specifying all elements of the vector, we can make some standard vectors using appropriate commands:

```
(x <- 1:10)
```

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

```
a <- seq(from=1, to=10, by=2); a
```

```
## [1] 1 3 5 7 9
```

```
b <- seq(from=1, to=10, length.out = 7); b
```

```
## [1] 1.0 2.5 4.0 5.5 7.0 8.5 10.0
```

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```
y <- rep(1, 5); y
```

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

```
z <- rep(1:3, 4); z
```

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

```
t <- rep(1:3, each = 4); print(t)
```

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

```
w <- rep(c(1,3), 2); w
```

```
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```

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Another useful method to generate vectors is to choose random samples:

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```

```
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```

```
x
```

```
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```

```
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```

```
x
```

```
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```

```
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Later we will talk about distributions in **R** and random samples.

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For a vector

```
x <- c(-1, 2.3, 10, 5)
```

we can calculate

```
length(x) #The Length of a vector
```

```
## [1] 4
```

```
sum(x) # The sum of elements
```

```
## [1] 16.3
```

```
cumsum(x) # The cumulative sum, x_1, x_1+x_2,...
```

```
## [1] -1.0  1.3 11.3 16.3
```

```
prod(x)
```

```
## [1] -115
```

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```
cumprod(x)
```

```
## [1] -1.0 -2.3 -23.0 -115.0
```

```
mean(x) # The mean of the elements
```

```
## [1] 4.075
```

```
max(x); min(x)
```

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

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

```
sin(x)
```

```
## [1] -0.8414710 0.7457052 -0.5440211 -0.9589243
```

```
x2
```

```
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Sorting in the decreasing order is easy too:

```
sort(x, decreasing = TRUE)
```

```
## [1] 10.0  5.0  2.3 -1.0
```



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```
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Then we can use

```
x[2] #The second element
```

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

```
x[2:4] #x[2], x[3] and x[4]
```

```
## [1] -1 4 3
```

```
x[c(2,4)] #x[2] and x[4]
```

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

```
x[-3] #everything without x[3]
```

```
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Another example:

```
x[x%%2 == 0] #only the even elements of x
```

```
## [1] 4 2
```

# Making a DataFrame

DataFrame is one of the important objects in Data Analysis. It is a rectangular data set, similar to the MS Excel Table/Spreadsheet, if you know what it is 😊

Let us make a DataFrame in **R**:

```
x <- c(22,43,16,38)
y <- c(76, 81, 55, 66)
df <- data.frame(age=x, weight=y)
```

And here is our DataFrame:

```
df
```

```
##   age weight
## 1  22     76
## 2  43     81
## 3  16     55
## 4  38     66
```

## Viewing/Editing DataFrames

Well, besides just typing the name of the DataFrame, or calling `print(df)`, one can use the following command to view the DataFrame:

```
View(df)
```

or to edit the DataFrame:

```
edit(df)
```

## Accessing the columns/rows of a DataFrame

You can access the column “weight” by

```
df[,2]
```

```
## [1] 76 81 55 66
```

or by

```
df[, 'weight'] # also df[, "weight"]
```

```
## [1] 76 81 55 66
```

or by

```
df$weight
```

```
## [1] 76 81 55 66
```



## Some Examples

```
mean(df$age) # mean age
```

```
## [1] 29.75
```

```
sum(df$weight) # sum of weights, total weight
```

```
## [1] 278
```

```
length(df$weight) # the number of elements in df$weights
```

```
## [1] 4
```

```
sum(df$weight)/length(df$weight) # same as the mean(df$weight)
```

```
## [1] 69.5
```

```
sort(df$weight) # weights in the increasing order
```

```
## [1] 55 66 76 81
```

```
sort(df$age, decreasing = T) # ages in the decreasing order
```

## R Built-In Datasets

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For example, cars is one of the standard datasets in **R**. To see the content, just run

```
cars
```

```
##      speed dist
## 1         4    2
## 2         4   10
## 3         7    4
## 4         7   22
## 5         8   16
```

## R Built-In Datasets

In our previous example, the dataset was too large to fit into the slide (try to run it in **R** console by yourself). To see the first/last few rows of the dataset, use

```
head(cars) #first six rows
```

```
##    speed dist
## 1      4     2
## 2      4    10
## 3      7     4
## 4      7    22
## 5      8    16
## 6      9    10
```

or

```
tail(cars, 1) #last 1 row
```

```
##    speed dist
## 50     25    85
```

## Installing a Package

There are a lot of supplementary packages designed for extra tasks, giving us different functions and datasets. To install a package, run `install.packages("name_of_the_package")`. For example, to install the `ggplot2` package (for nice graphics, **gg=grammar of graphics**, not a taxi service), you need to run

```
install.packages("ggplot2")
```

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Then run:

```
library(mvtnorm)
mu <- c(1,2) #The Mean of our Bivariate Normal Distribution
sigma <- matrix(c(4,2,2,3), ncol = 2) # The Covariance Matrix
x <- rmvnorm(n = 100, mean = mu, sigma = sigma)
```

Here the command `library(mvtnorm)` is similar to `include` of C++ or `import` of Python, and the above code will give an error without this line.

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To see the list of loaded base/attached packages, you can use

```
sessionInfo()
```

# Using Help

To open the **R**'s help page for some command, say, for the `sum` command, you can use one of the following options:

```
?sum
```

or

```
help(sum)
```

or, in **R Studio**, just put the cursor at some place on the word `sum` and hit *F1*. Another method is just to use the Google 😊

# Making Plots

Here we will use the default package for plots<sup>4</sup>.

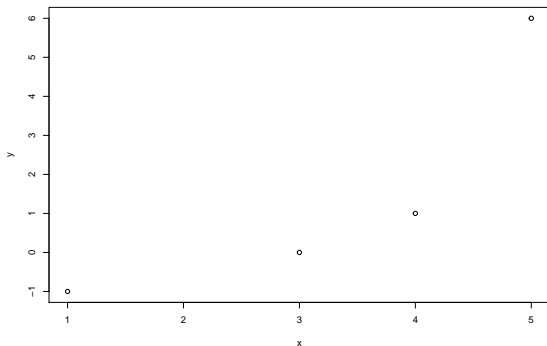
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```
x <- c(1,3,5,4); y <- c(-1, 0 ,6, 1)  
plot(x,y)
```



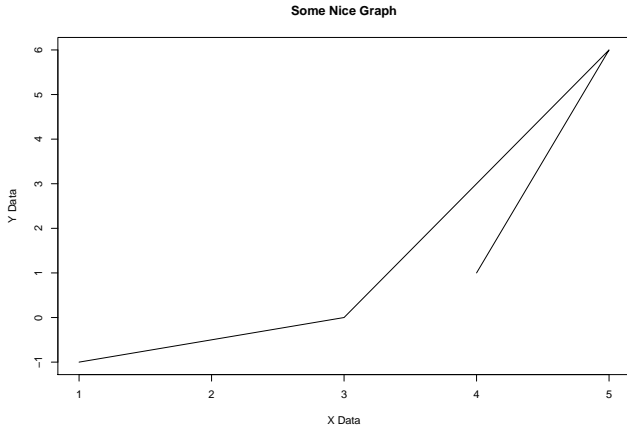
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Now, we join the points with line segments, add a title and axis labels to our graph:

```
plot(x,y, type = "l", main = "Some Nice Graph",  
     xlab = "X Data", ylab = "Y Data")
```



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## Comments:

- ▶ `type` is the type of the plot. `type="l"` means that the type is set to lines. Try without the type parameter, or by `type = "h"`, `type = "s"`
- ▶ `main` is the title of the graph
- ▶ `xlab` and `ylab` are the axis labels (names)

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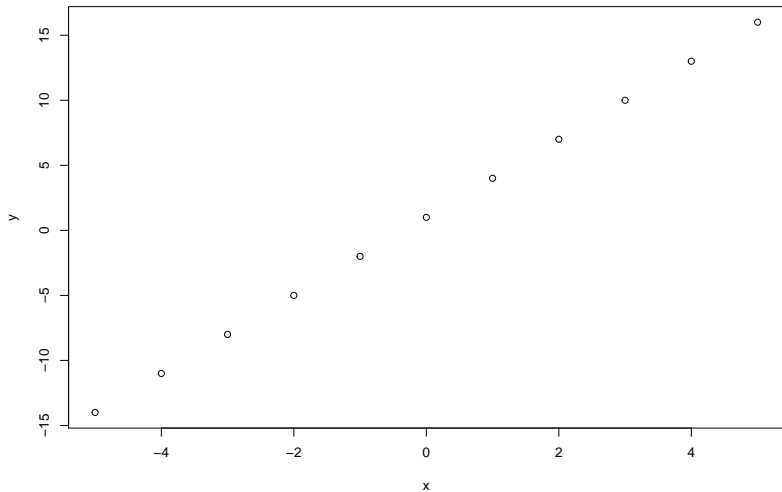
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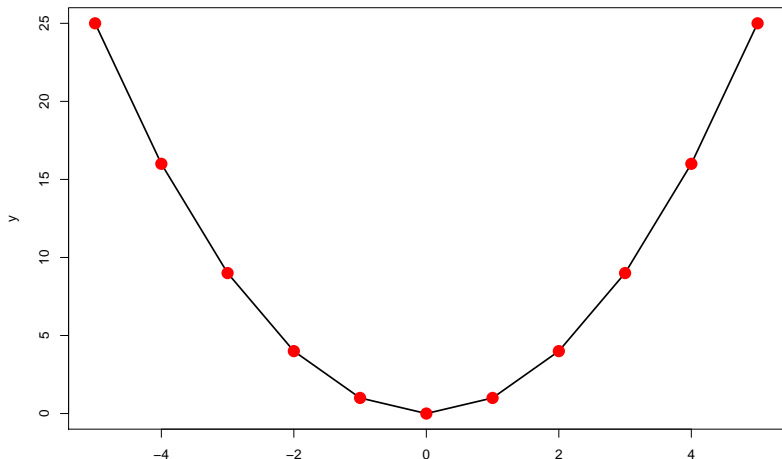
## Making Plots, Example

```
x <- -5:5; y <- 3*x+1  
plot(x,y)
```



# Making Plots

```
x <- -5:5; y <- x^2  
plot(x,y, type = "l", lwd = 2)  
points(x,y, pch = 16, col = "red", cex = 2)
```



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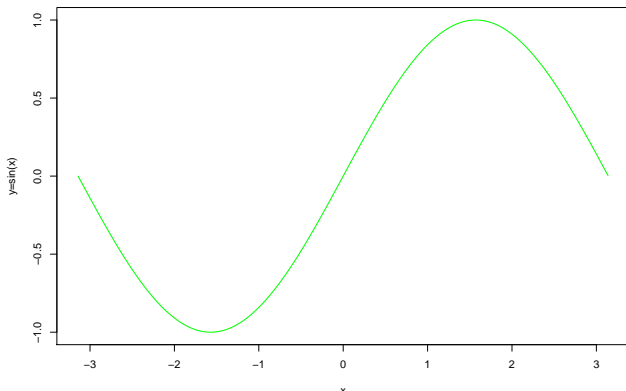
Comments:

- ▶ `lwd` is the *line width*
- ▶ `pch` is the *point character*, try to change 16 to other integers
- ▶ `col` is the *color*
- ▶ `cex` is the *character size, point size*

## Making Plots

Let us plot the graph of  $y = \sin(x)$ ,  $x \in [-\pi, \pi]$ :

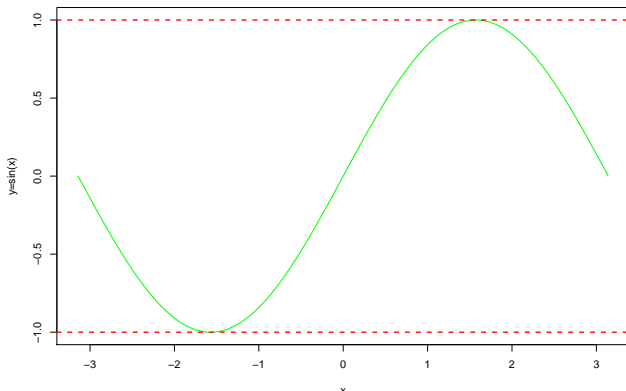
```
x <- seq(from = -pi, to = pi, by = 0.01)
y <- sin(x)
plot(x,y, type = "l", lwd = 1.5, col = 'green',
      xlab = "x", ylab = "y=sin(x)")
```



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Now, let us add horizontal lines  $y = \pm 1$  to previous plot:

```
plot(x,y, type = "l", lwd =1.5, col = 'green',  
      xlab = "x", ylab = "y=sin(x)")  
abline(h = 1, lty = 2, lwd = 2, col = "red")  
abline(h = -1, lty = 2, lwd = 2, col = "red")
```



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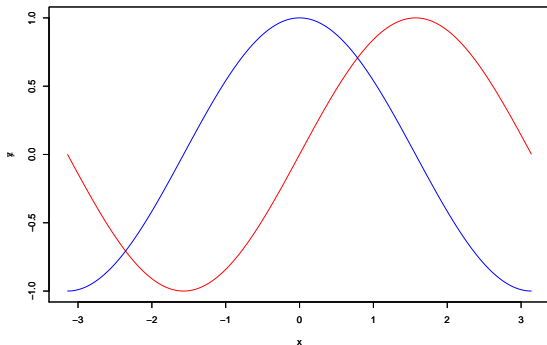
## Comments:

- ▶ `abline` is to draw a line  $y = a + b \cdot x$ , you can give parameters  $h = h_0$  for a horizontal line  $y = h_0$  or  $v = v_0$  for a vertical line  $x = v_0$ . `abline` is a high-level graphical command
- ▶ `lty` is the *line type*, try changing the values to see the difference (here we have a *dotted line*)

## Making Plots

Now, let us draw two plots one over another:

```
x <- seq(from = -pi, to = pi, by = 0.01)
y <- sin(x); z <- cos(x)
plot(x,y, type = "l", lwd = 1.5, col = 'red')
par(new = TRUE) #setting a parameter to keep the previous plot
plot(x,z, type = "l", lwd = 1.5, col = 'blue')
```

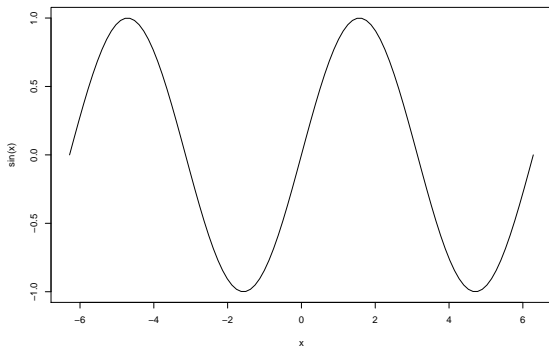




## Making Plots

Another method to draw graphs is to use the curve command:

```
curve(sin, from = -2*pi, to = 2*pi)
```



Try also<sup>6</sup>

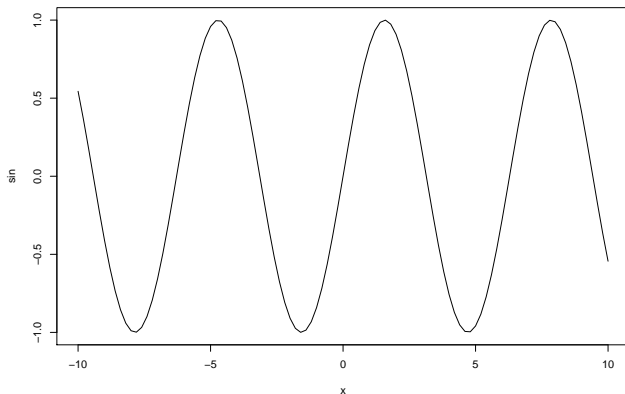
```
curve(sin(x), from = -2*pi, to = 2*pi)
```

<sup>6</sup>If the variable  $x$  is not defined!

# Making Plots

Yet another method to draw graphs is to use the `plot` command with function name:

```
plot(sin, -10, 10)
```



# Defining Functions

It is easy to define a function in **R**. You just need to use the following template:

For example, let us define the function  $z = x^2 + 2 * \arctan \frac{x}{x + \sin(x)}$ :

```
my.nicefunction <- function (x){  
  z = x^2 + 2 * atan(x/(x+sin(x)))  
  return(z)  
}
```

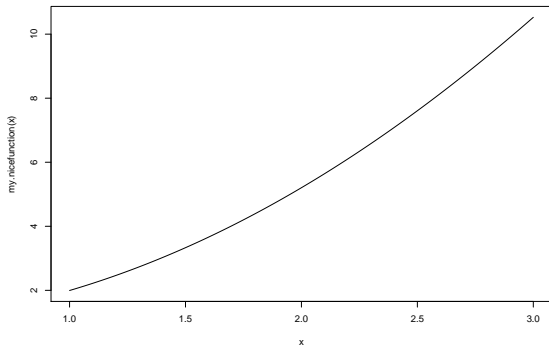
## Defining Functions

Now, we can calculate our function's value at, say, the point 3, and plot its graph:

```
my.nicefunction(3)
```

```
## [1] 10.52485
```

```
curve(my.nicefunction, 1, 3) #or plot(my.nicefunction, 1, 3)
```



# Defining Functions

Now, let us define a function of 2 variables:

```
my_fun1 <- function (x, y){  
  return(x+y^2)  
}
```

In this case, to calculate the value at (1,2), you just write

```
my_fun1(1,2)
```

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

# Defining Functions

You can define also functions with default values:

```
my_fun2 <- function (x, y = 0){  
  return(x+y^2)  
}
```

Now, `my_fun(2)` will give `my_fun(2,0)`, and `my_fun(2, 4)` will calculate `my_fun(2,4)`:

```
my_fun2(2)
```

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

```
my_fun2(2,4)
```

```
## [1] 18
```

# Defining Functions

By the way, if you will give default values to each variable, like here:

```
my_fun3 <- function (x = 0, y = 0){  
  return(x+y^2)  
}
```

Then you can use the followings to calculate my\_fun3(2,1):

```
my_fun3(2,1)
```

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

```
my_fun3(x = 2, y = 1)
```

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

```
my_fun3(y = 1, x = 2)
```

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

## Defining Functions

Actually, most of the built-in **R** functions have named variables with default values. Say, use

You will see the help page, containing the usage of the function `rnorm`, in the form:

```
rnorm(n, mean = 0, sd = 1)
```

This means, that if you will use `rnorm(10)`, it will assume `mean = 0` and `sd = 1`. And you can mix the order of the *named* variables, say, run `rnorm(10, sd = 3, mean = -1)`. But please note that you cannot skip the first variable, the value of `n`, since it has no default value !