



## 6. Graphs



## 6.1 Graphical devices

- When a graphical function is executed, R opens a graphical window (X11 for windows) and displays the graphic.
- A graphical device will open with a function depending on the format: `postscript()`, `pt()`, `pdf()`, `png()`.
- The list of available graphical devices can be found with `? Device`.

```
> ?device
starting httpd help server ... done
|
```

```
> dev.cur()
windows
2
> dev.off(2) #to close the device 2 dev.off() closes the active device, by default
null device
1
```

```
> dev.list() # to display the list of open devices
pdf postscript pdf png
2 3 4 5
> dev.cur() # to know what is the current active device
png
5
> dev.set(4) # to change the active device to pdf from png
pdf
4
.
```



## 6.1 Graphical devices - continued

- You can save the graph via code using one of the following functions:

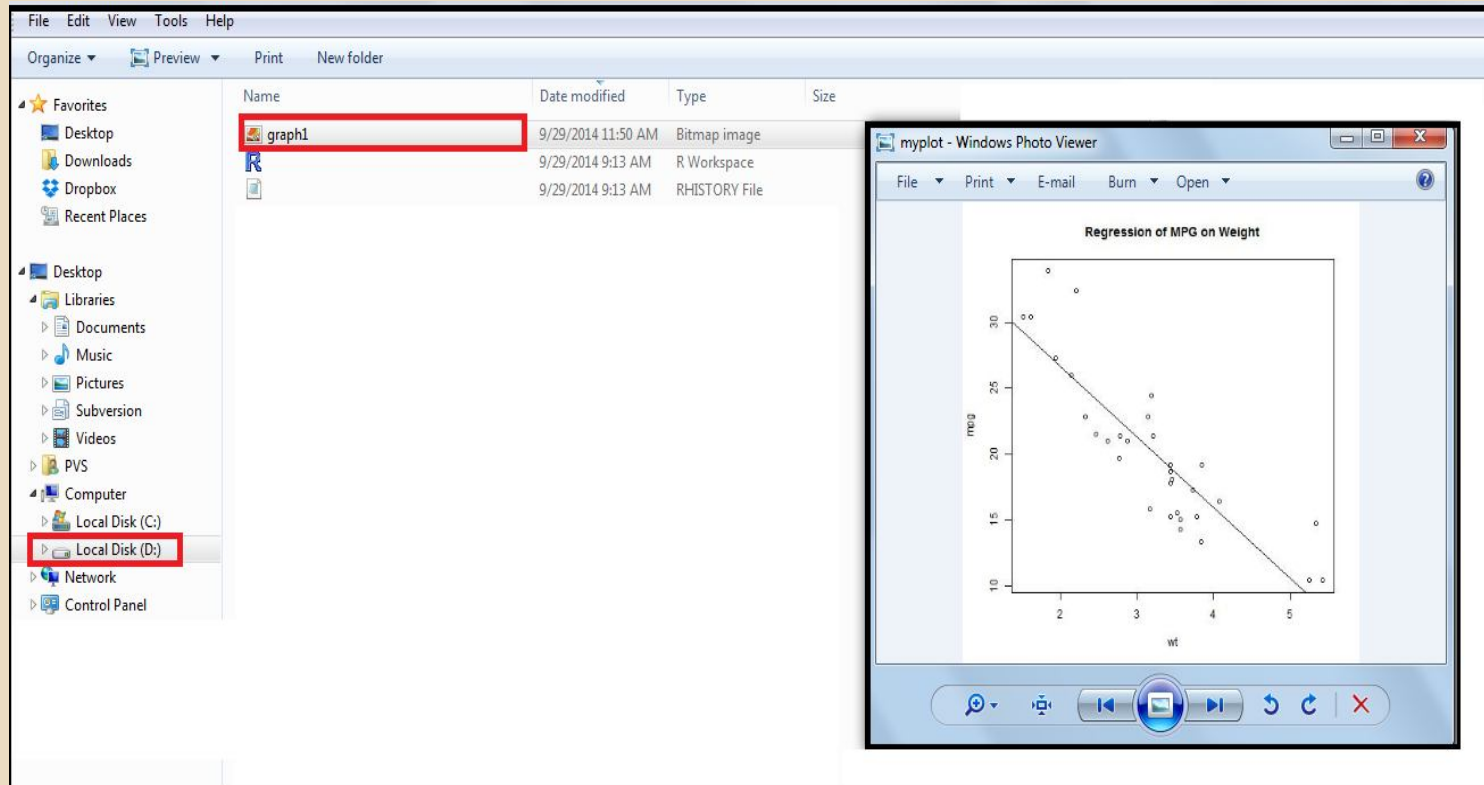
| Function                                | Output to         |
|---|-------------------|
| <code>pdf("graph1.pdf")</code>          | pdf file          |
| <code>win.metafile("graph1.wmf")</code> | windows meta file |
| <code>png("graph1.png")</code>          | png file          |
| <code>jpeg("graph1.jpg")</code>         | jpeg file         |
| <code>bmp("graph1.bmp")</code>          | bmp file          |
| <code>postscript("graph1.ps")</code>    | postscript file   |

```
> attach(mtcars)
> plot(wt, mpg)
> abline(lm(mpg ~ wt))
> title("Regressiion of MPG on weight")
> bmp("graph1.bmp")
> detach(mtcars)
```

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## 6.1 Graphical devices - continued

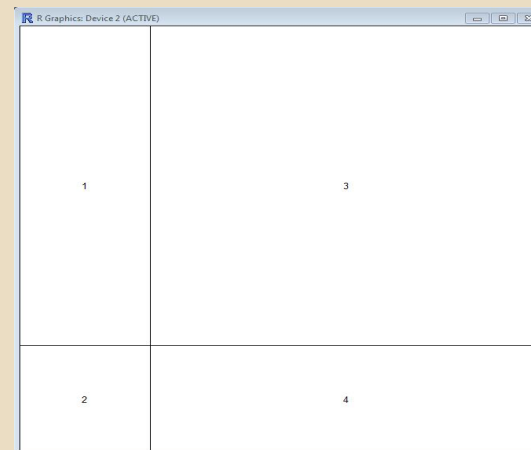




## 6.2 Partitioning a graphic

- The function `layout` partitions the active graphic window in several parts where the graphs will be displayed successively.
- To actually visualize the partition created, one can use the function `layout.show` with the number of sub-windows as argument.
- By default, `layout()` partitions the device with regular heights and widths: this can be modified with the options `widths` and `heights`.
- These dimensions are given relatively.

```
> m<-matrix(1:4,2,2)  
> layout(m,widths=c(1,3),heights=c(3,1))  
> layout.show(4)
```





## 6.3 High-level commands

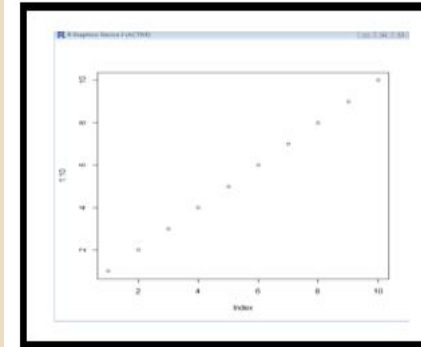
- Built-in functions in R help us to make plots as per the requirement.
- Powerful plotting techniques make R an important tool for statistical applications. High-level commands endue creating new plots with fundamental information like axes, title, labels etc.
- `plot()`: This is the most frequently used plotting command in R. It is a generic function which creates plots of type equivalent to that of the first argument.
- In the example below, vector data is plotted which is given as the first argument to the plot function.



## 6.3 High-level commands - continued

R provides various high-level plotting functions to create variety of plots including boxplot, pie chart, barplot, and histogram.

```
> plot(1:10)
```



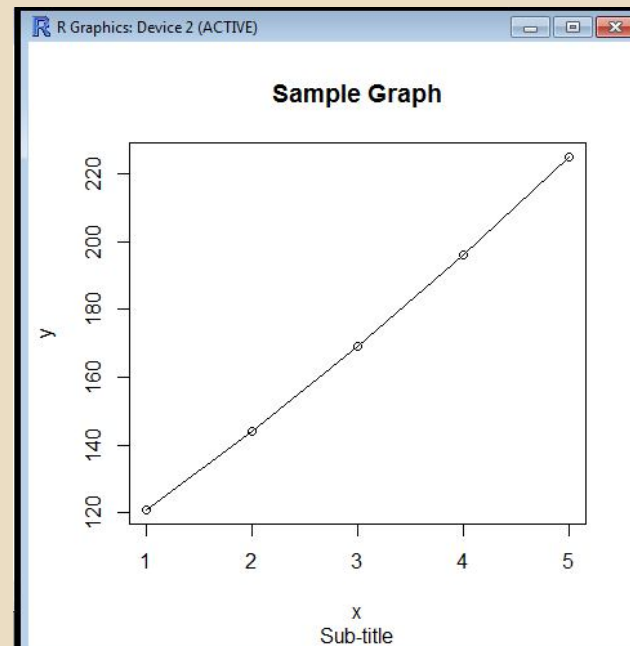
| Function   | Description   |
|------------|---|
| plot(x,y)  | Bivariate plot of x (on the x-axis) and y (on the y-axis) |
| boxplot(x) | Box-and whiskers plot                                     |
| pie(x)     | Circular pie chart  |
| barplot(x) | Histogram of the values of x                              |
| hist(x)    | Histogram of the frequencies of x                         |



## 6.4 Low-level commands

- Low-level commands enhance existing plots with features like extra points, labels etc.
- These commands require coordinate positions also, to indicate the position where we have to insert the new plotting elements.

```
> x <- 1:5  
> y <- (11:15)^2  
> plot(x,y)  
> lines(x,y)  
> main <- "Sample Graph"  
> sub<- "Sub-title"  
> title(main,sub)
```







## 6.4 Low-level commands

- Some of the low-level plotting commands are listed in the below table.

| Function                             | Description  |
|--------------------------------------|--|
| <code>points (x,y)</code>            | Add points to the current plot   |
| <code>lines (x,y)</code>             | Add connecting lines to the current plot   |
| <code>text (x,y, labels, ...)</code> | Add text to the plot at point x and y. Labels is a vector in which labels[i] is at the point (x[i],y[i]) |
| <code>abline (a,b)</code>            | Adds a line of slope b and intercept a to the current plot   |
| <code>polygon (x, y,..)</code>       | Draws a polygon defined by the vertices (x,y)  |



## 6.4 Low-level commands

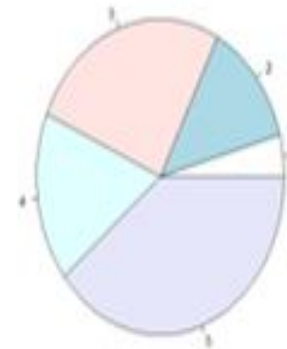
|                                       |  |
|---------------------------------------|--|
| <b>legend (x,y, legend, fill=...)</b> | <b>Adds a legend to the current plot at the specified position.</b><br><br><b>fill</b> if specified, this argument will cause boxes filled with the specified colors (or shaded in the specified colors) to appear beside the legend text. |
| <b>title (main, sub)</b>              | <b>Adds a title main to the top of the current plot in a large font and (optionally) a subtitle sub at the bottom in a smaller font</b>  |
| <b>axis (slide)</b>                   | <b>Adds an axis to the current plot on the slide given by the first argument</b>   |



## 6.5 Some graphs – Pie chart

- A circle graph or pie chart is a way of summarizing a set of categorical data or displaying the different values of a given variable (e.g., percentage distribution).
- This type of chart is a circle divided into a set of series of segments. Each segment represents a particular category. The area of the segment is the same proportion of the circle as the category is of the total data set.

```
> # Define cars vector with 5 values  
> cars <- c(1, 3, 6, 4, 9)  
>  
> # Create a pie chart for cars  
> pie(cars)
```





## 6.5 Some graphs - continued

Now let us add a heading, change the colors, and define our own labels:

```
> # Define cars vector with 5 values  
> cars <- c(1,3,6,4,9)  
>  
> # Create a pie chart with defined heading and custom colors and labels  
> pie(cars,main="Cars",col=rainbow(length(cars)),labels=c("Mon","Tue","Wed","Thu","Fri"))
```



Now let's change the colors, label using percentages, and create a legend:

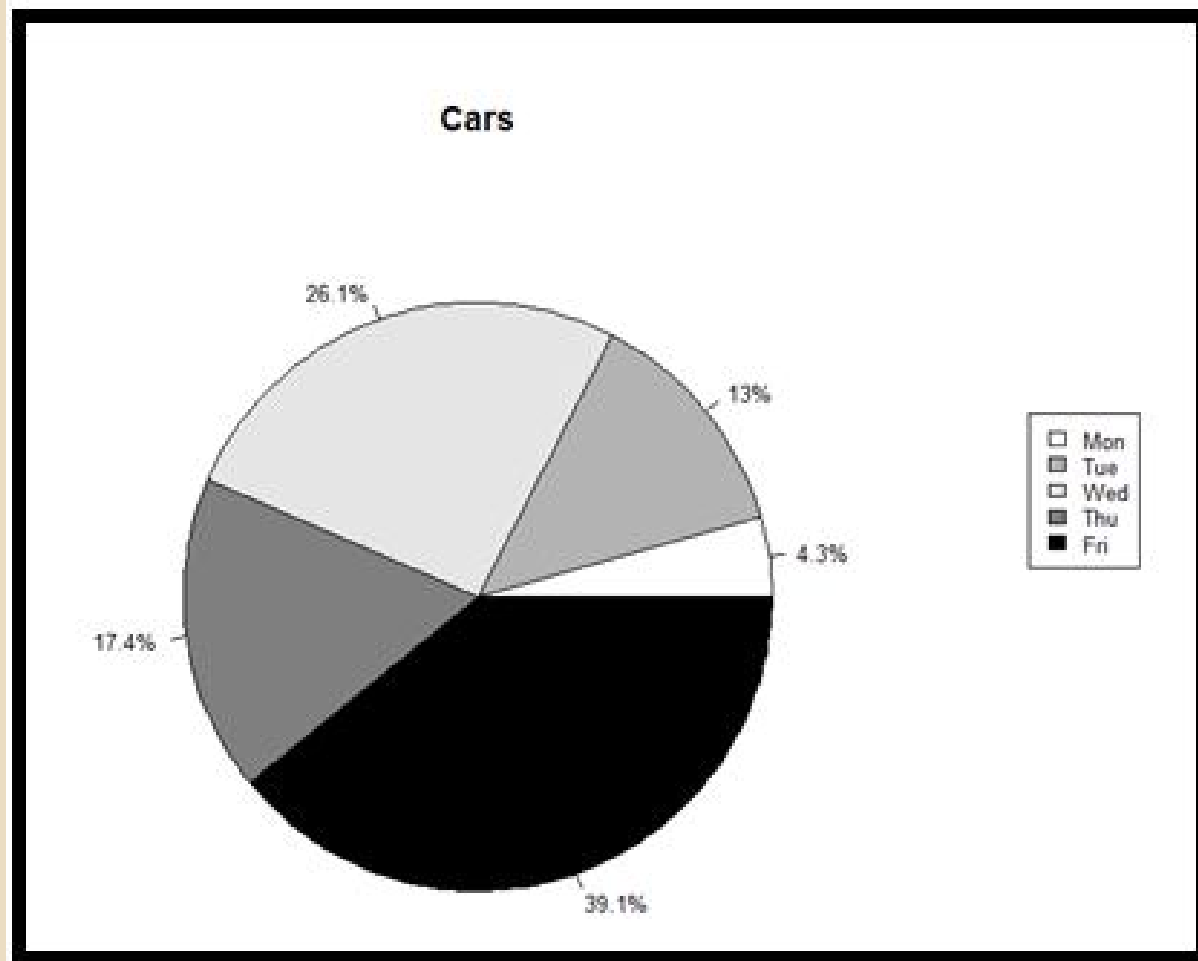


## 6.5 Some graphs - continued

```
> # Define cars vector with 5 values
> cars <- c(1, 3, 6, 4, 9)
>
> # Define some colors ideal for black & white print
> colors <- c("white", "grey70", "grey90", "grey50", "black")
>
> # Calculate the percentage for each day, rounded to one
> # decimal place
> car_labels <- round(cars/sum(cars) * 100, 1)
>
> # Concatenate a '%' char after each value
> car_labels <- paste(car_labels, "%", sep="")
>
> # Create a pie chart with defined heading and custom colors
> # and labels
> pie(cars, main="Cars", col=colors, labels=car_labels,
+     cex=0.8)
>
> # Create a legend at the right
> legend(1.5, 0.5, c("Mon", "Tue", "Wed", "Thu", "Fri"), cex=0.8,
+     fill=colors)
>
```



## 6.5 Some graphs - continued





## 6.6 Packages – grid and lattice

- The packages grid and lattice implement the grid and lattice systems.
- Grid is a new graphical mode with its own system of graphical parameters which are distinct from those seen earlier.
- The lattice package, written by Depayan Sarkar, attempts to improve on base R graphics by providing better defaults and the ability to easily display multivariate relationships.



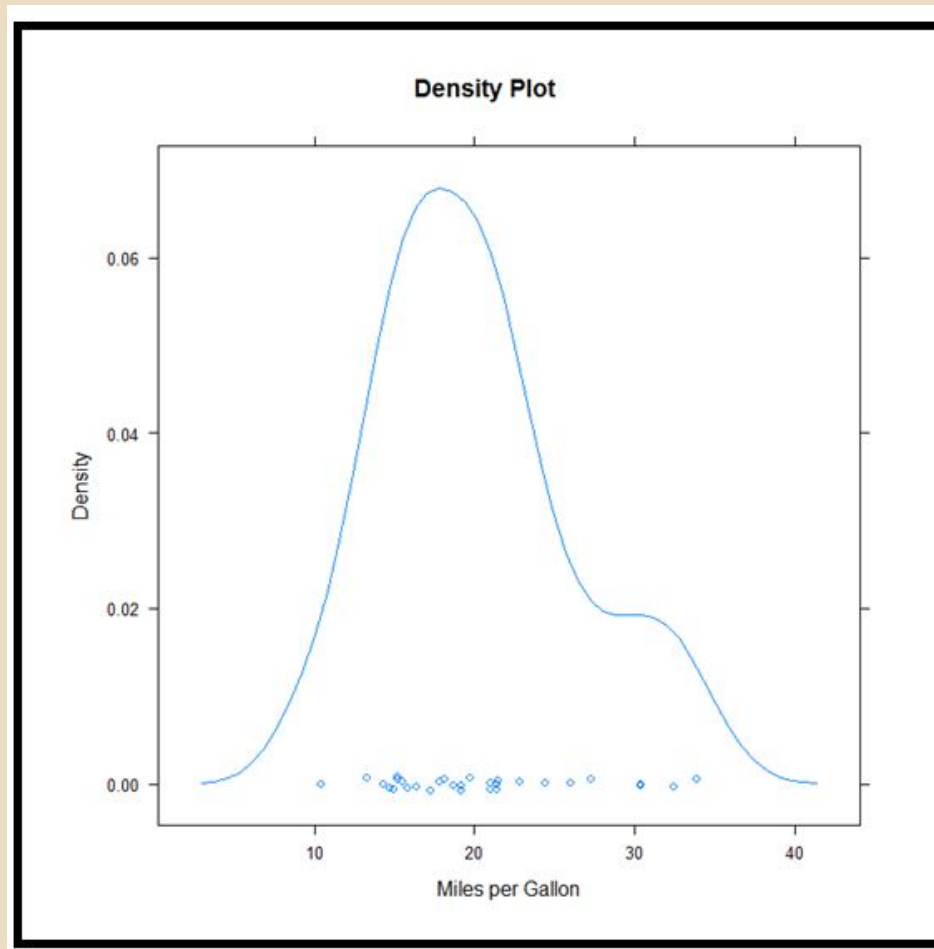
## 6.6 Packages – grid and lattice - continued

```
> # Lattice Examples
> library(lattice)
> attach(mtcars)
The following objects are masked from mtcars (position 3):
    am, carb, cyl, disp, drat, gear, hp, mpg, qsec, vs, wt
>
> # create factors with value labels
> gear.f<-factor(gear,levels=c(3,4,5),
+   labels=c("3gears","4gears","5gears"))
> cyl.f <-factor(cyl,levels=c(4,6,8),
+   labels=c("4cyl","6cyl","8cyl"))
>
> # kernel density plot
> densityplot(~mpg,
+   main="Density Plot",
+   xlab="Miles per Gallon")
> mpg
[1] 21.0 21.0 22.8 21.4 18.7 18.1 14.3 24.4 22.8 19.2 17.8 16.4 17.3 15.2 10.4 10.4
[17] 14.7 32.4 30.4 33.9 21.5 15.5 15.2 13.3 19.2 27.3 26.0 30.4 15.8 19.7 15.0 21.4
```





## 6.6 Packages – grid and lattice - continued





ACTIVITY LOG





## Lab Exercise 1:

- The data set `mtcars` is an in-built in R and contains the data extracted from the 1974 Motor Trend US Magazine, and comprises fuel consumption and 10 aspects of automobile design and performance for 32 automobiles (1973-74) models.

Ref: <http://stat.ethz.ch/R-manual/R-devel/library/datasets/html/mtcars.html>

- Create a scatter plot and regression line using the function `lm()` for the relationship between `mpg` and `wt` of cars in the data set `mtcars`.
- Save the graph as a pdf file in your current working directory in R.



## Lab Exercise 1 - continued:

- A scatter plot pairs up values of two quantitative variables in a data set and display them as geometric points inside a Cartesian diagram.
- The basic function to create a scatterplot is `plot(x,y)`, where `x` and `y` are numeric vectors denoting the `(x,y)` points to plot. In our example, `x` is `wt` (weight) of the car and `y` is `mpg` (miles per gallon).
- We can generate a linear regression model of the two variables with the `lm()` function, and then draw a trend line (regression line) with the function `abline()`.



## Lab Exercise 1 - continued:

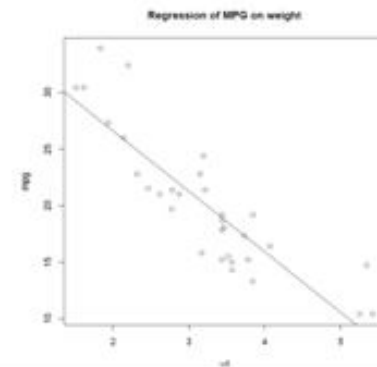
- Run the R code for this exercise “graph1.R” available with you.

```
> source("graph1.R")
The following object is masked _by_ .GlobalEnv:

  am

The following objects are masked from mtcars (pos = 3):

  am, carb, cyl, disp, drat, gear, hp, mpg, qsec, vs, wt
>
```





## Lab Exercise 2:

- Run the R code “graph2.R” available with you.
- Here we draw a pie chart depicting the sale of cars during a week, Monday to Friday.

```
> source("graph2.R")
The following object is masked _by_ .GlobalEnv:

  am

The following objects are masked from mtcars (pos = 3):

  am, carb, cyl, disp, drat, gear, hp, mpg, qsec, vs, wt

> source("graph2.R")
The following object is masked _by_ .GlobalEnv:

  am

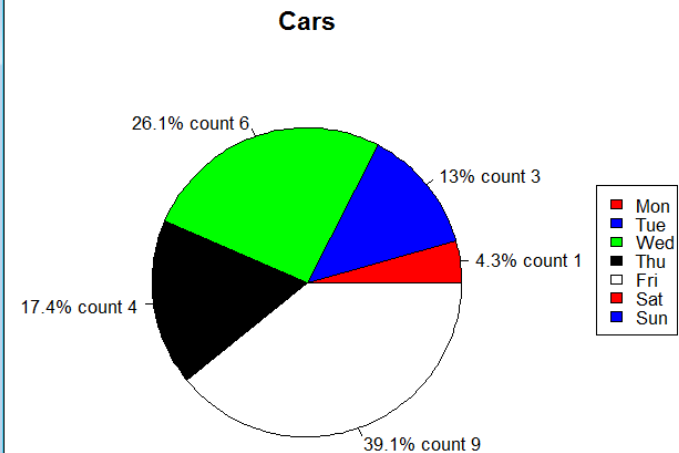
The following objects are masked from mtcars (pos = 3):

  am, carb, cyl, disp, drat, gear, hp, mpg, qsec, vs, wt

The following objects are masked from mtcars (pos = 4):

  am, carb, cyl, disp, drat, gear, hp, mpg, qsec, vs, wt

>
```

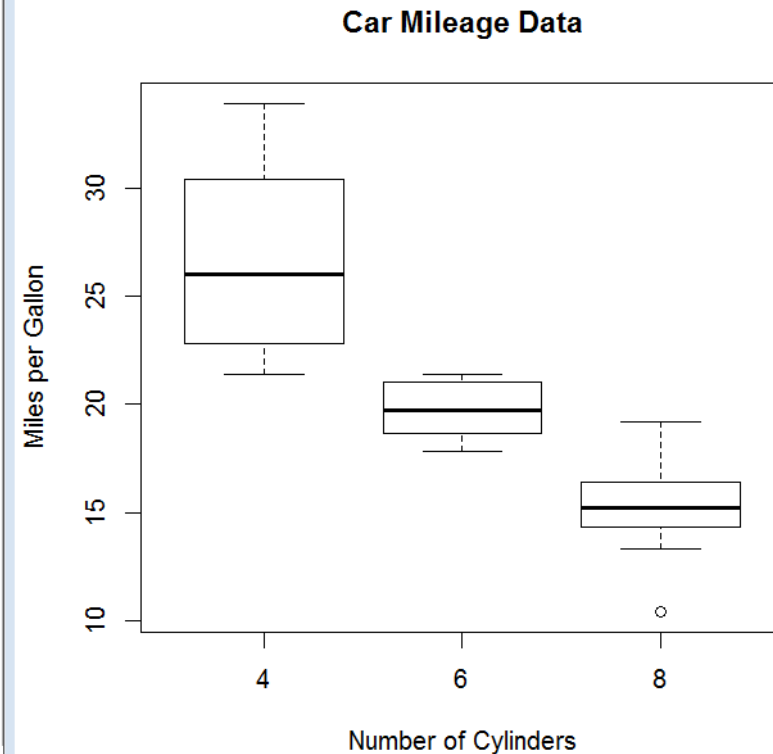




## Lab Exercise 3:

- Run the R code “graph3.R” available with you.
- Here we draw a boxplot of mpg by gas cylinders.

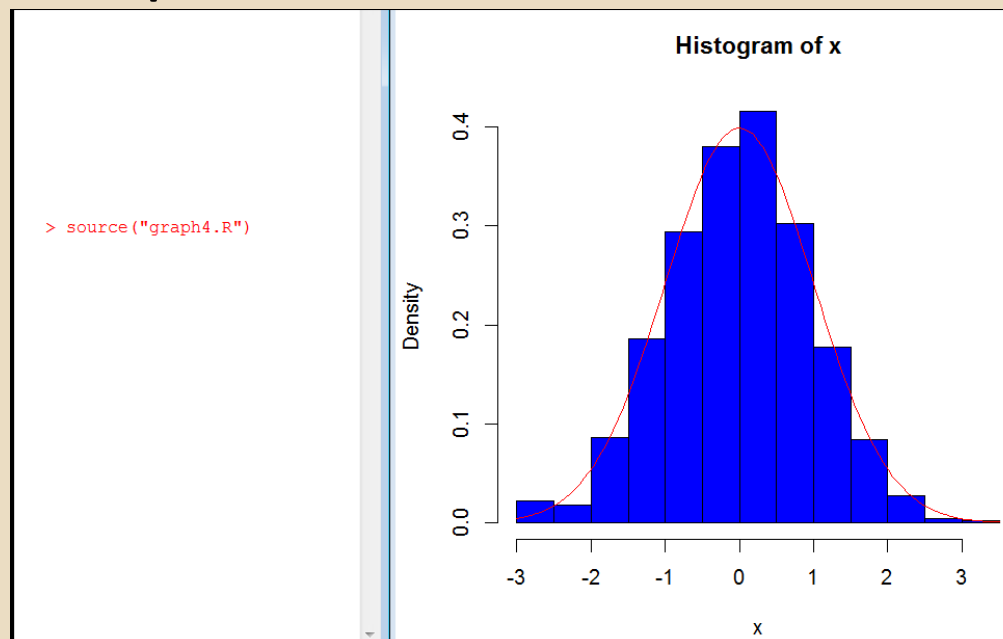
```
> source("graph3.R")
```





## Lab Exercise 4:

- Run the R code “graph4.R” available with you.
- Here a normal curve is overlaid on the histogram. Note we have used `dnorm()` function to get the normal density values. We have used the mean of `x` and the standard deviation of `x` to define this particular normal distribution.







## **Activity 1:**

**Read the file “U06\_R Graphs\_v1.pdf”**