

# Probability and Statistics

## Solutions 1

1. (i) `data(morley)`

```
dim(morley)
```

```
## [1] 100  3
```

```
head(morley)
```

```
##      Expt Run Speed
## 001     1  1   850
## 002     1  2   740
## 003     1  3   900
## 004     1  4  1070
## 005     1  5   930
## 006     1  6   850
```

```
tail(morley)
```

```
##      Expt Run Speed
## 095     5 15   810
## 096     5 16   940
## 097     5 17   950
## 098     5 18   800
## 099     5 19   810
## 100     5 20   870
```

(ii) `speed <- morley$Speed`

```
summary(speed)
```

```
##      Min. 1st Qu.  Median    Mean 3rd Qu.    Max.
##      620.0   807.5   850.0   852.4   892.5  1070.0
```

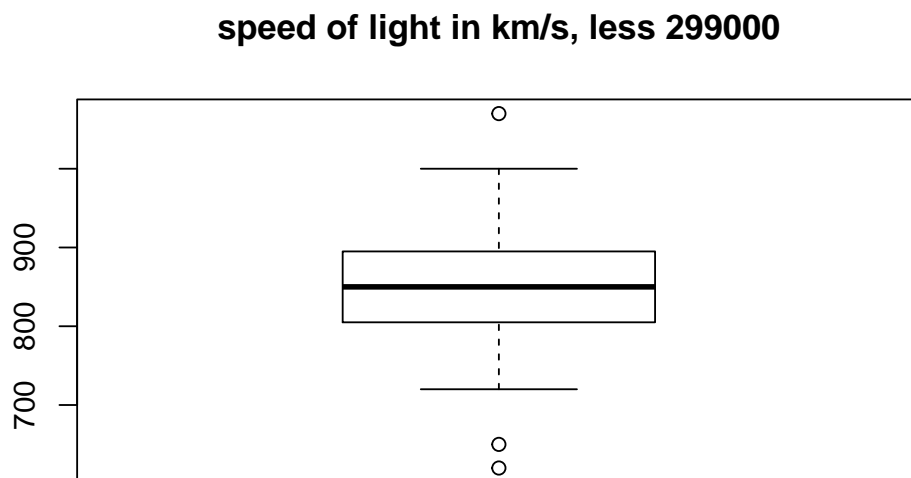
The average recorded speed of light was  $299000 + 852.40 = 299852$  to the nearest km/s.

The interquartile range was  $Q_3 - Q_1 = 892.50 - 807.50 = 85$ .

```
IQR(speed)
```

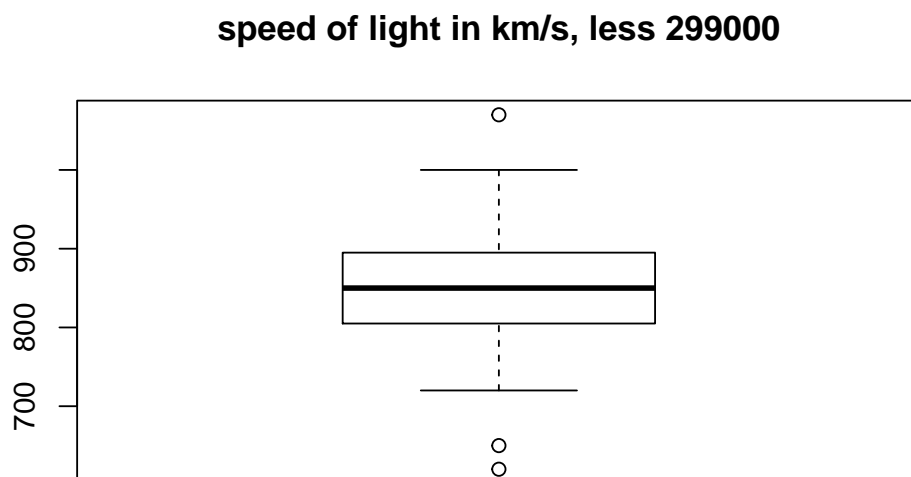
```
## [1] 85
```

(iii) `boxplot(speed,`  
`main = "speed of light in km/s, less 299000")`



If you save the boxplot to an object you can find the outliers:

```
bp_speed <- boxplot(speed,  
                    main = "speed of light in km/s, less 299000")
```



In particular

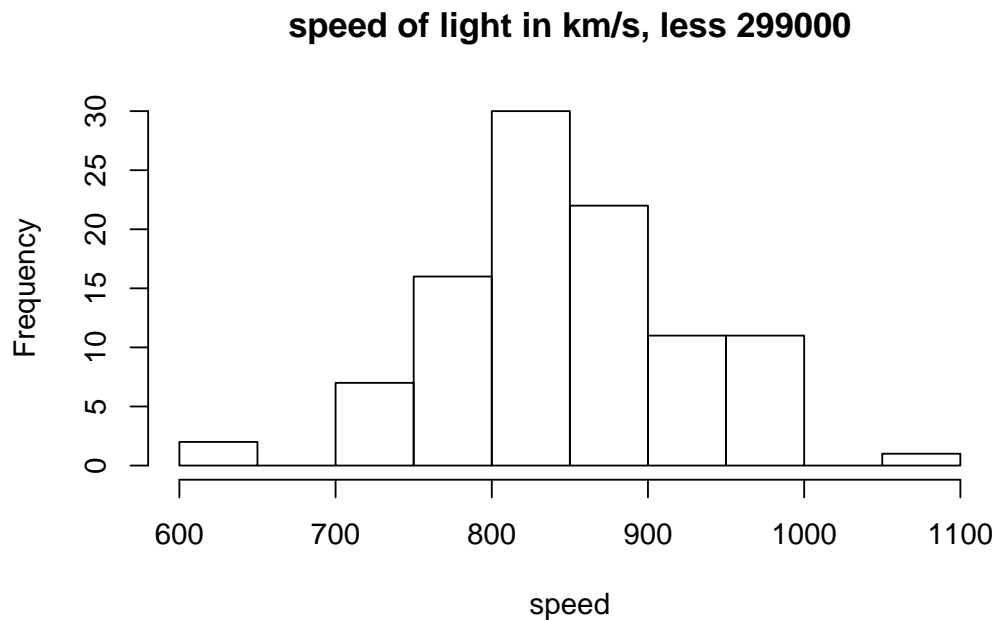
```
bp_speed$out
## [1] 1070 650 620
```

gives the outliers.

The values of the three “outliers” are 620, 650, 1070.

```
(iv) cutpoints <- seq(600, 1100, by = 50)

hist(speed,
      breaks = cutpoints,
      main = "speed of light in km/s, less 299000")
```



```
2. (i) cointossing <- read.table(file = "cointossing.dat")
      colnames(cointossing) <- "heads"
```

```
(ii) summary(cointossing)
```

```
##      heads
## Min.   :1.00
## 1st Qu.:4.00
## Median :5.00
## Mean   :4.97
## 3rd Qu.:6.00
## Max.   :9.00
```

The average number of heads observed in ten tosses was 4.97.

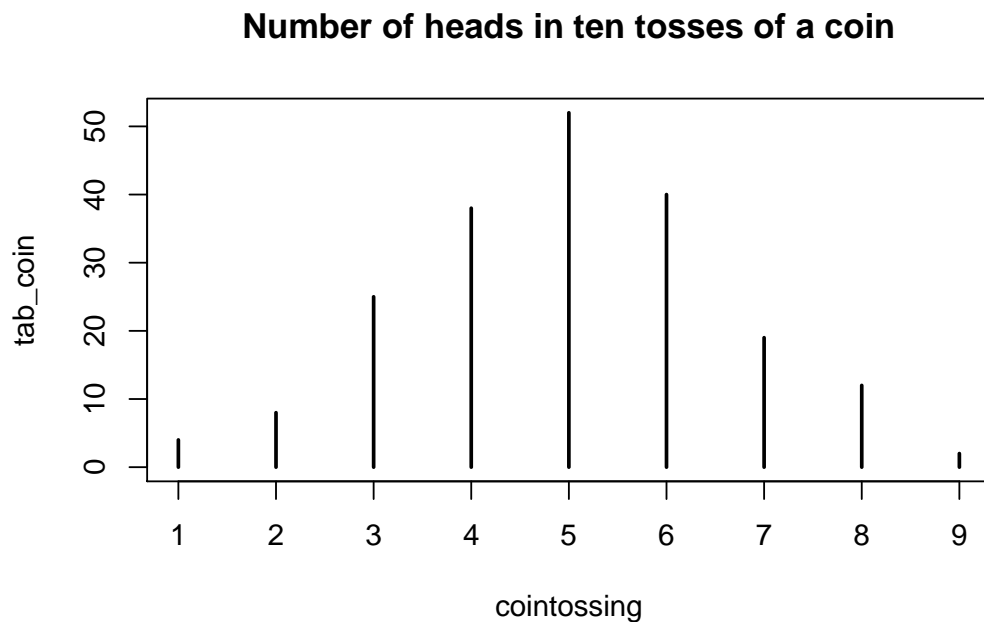
The smallest number observed was 1 and the largest 9.

(iii) The session command and the frequency distribution are shown below.

```
tab_coin <- table(cointossing)
tab_coin

## cointossing
##  1  2  3  4  5  6  7  8  9
##  4  8 25 38 52 40 19 12  2
```

(iv) `plot(tab_coin, main = "Number of heads in ten tosses of a coin")`

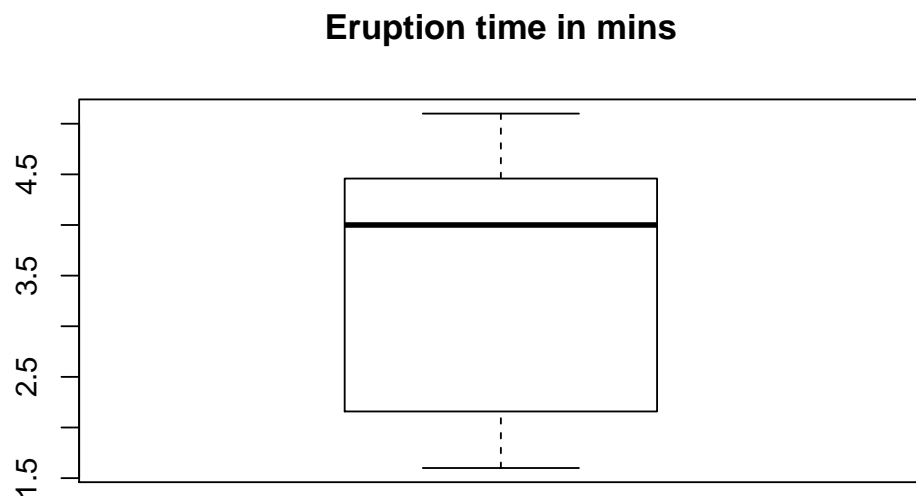


3. (i) `data(faithful)`

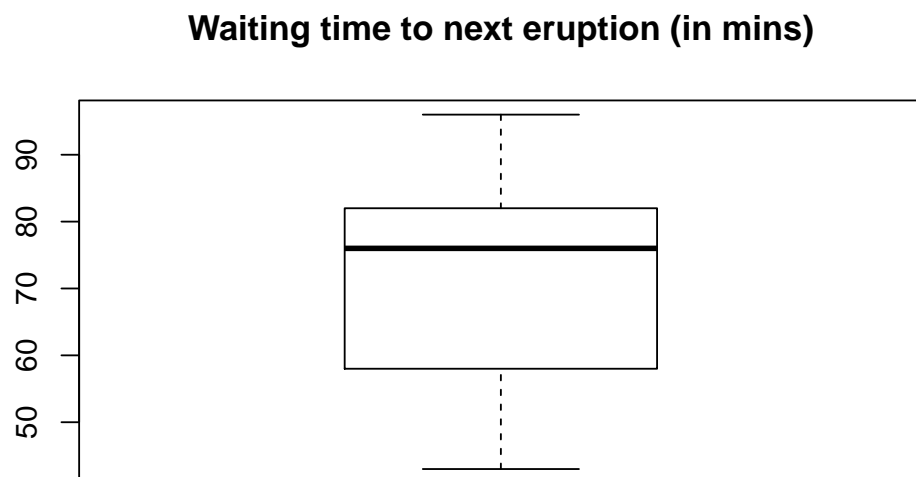
(ii) `summary(faithful)`

```
##      eruptions      waiting
##  Min.   :1.600   Min.   :43.0
##  1st Qu.:2.163   1st Qu.:58.0
##  Median :4.000   Median :76.0
##  Mean   :3.488   Mean   :70.9
##  3rd Qu.:4.454   3rd Qu.:82.0
##  Max.   :5.100   Max.   :96.0
```

```
(iii) boxplot(faithful$eruptions,  
            main = "Eruption time in mins")
```

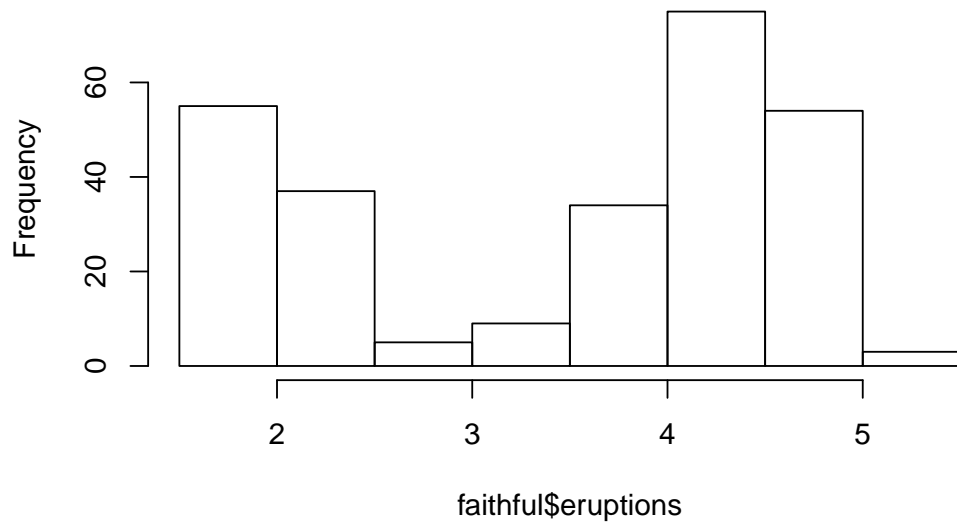


```
boxplot(faithful$waiting,  
        main = "Waiting time to next eruption (in mins)")
```



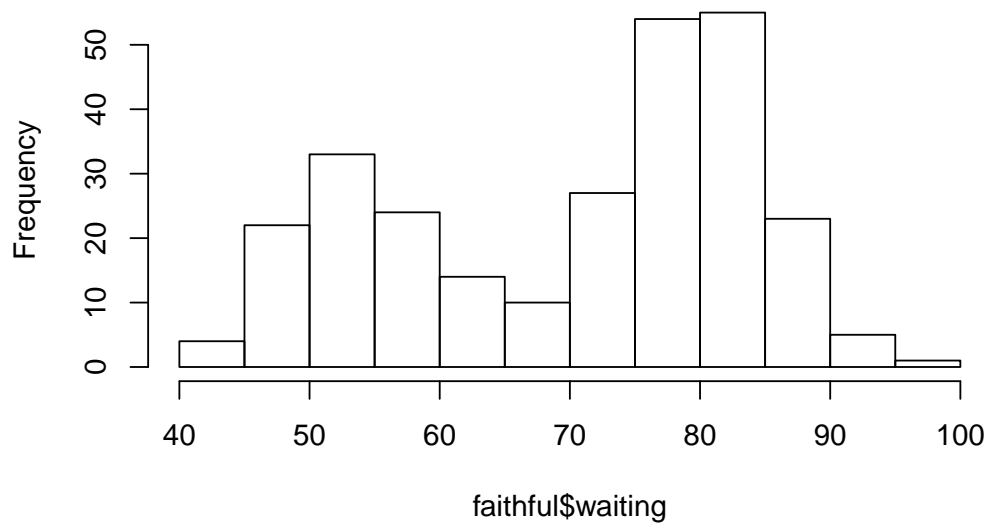
```
(iv) hist(faithful$eruptions,  
      main = "Default Histogram of Eruptions")
```

**Default Histogram of Eruptions**



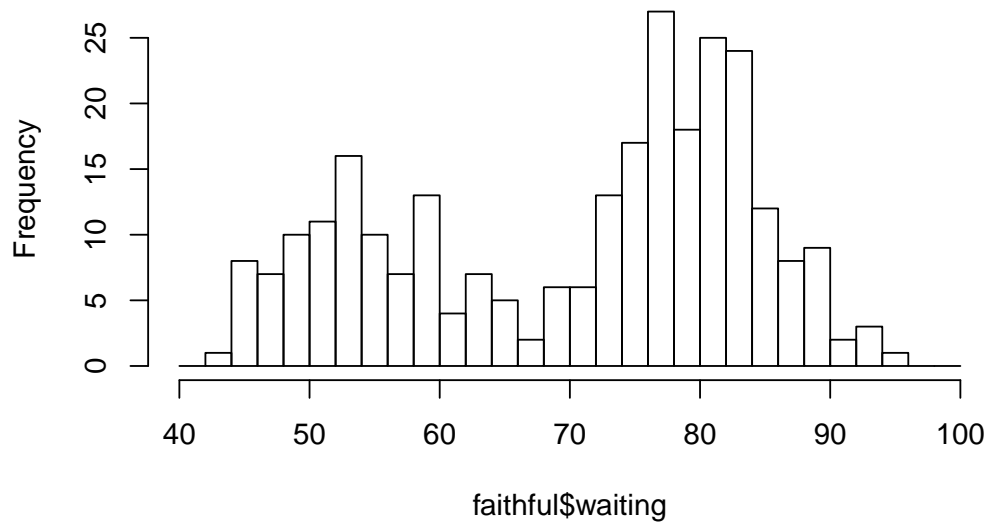
```
hist(faithful$waiting,  
     main = "Default Histogram of Waiting")
```

**Default Histogram of Waiting**



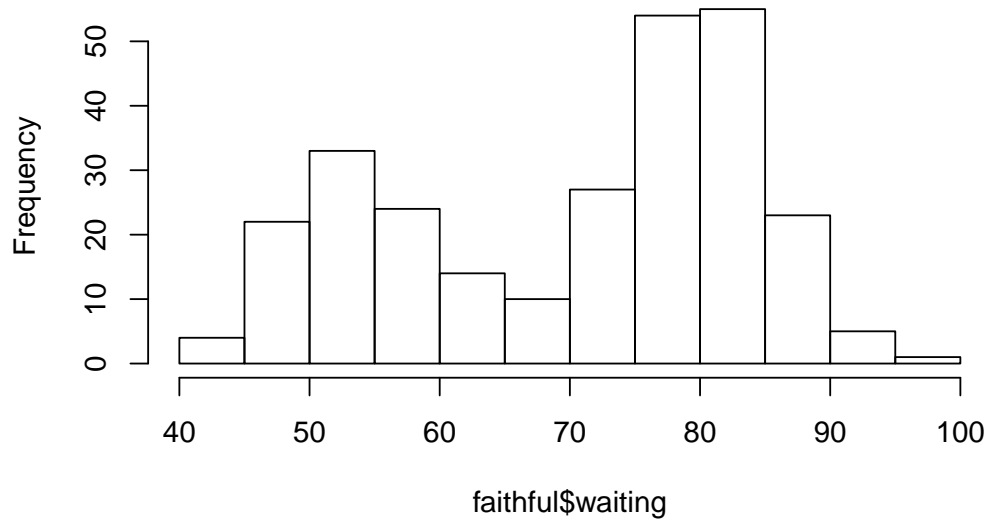
```
hist(faithful$waiting,  
     breaks = seq(40, 100, by = 2),  
     main = " Histogram of Waiting - class interval 2")
```

**Histogram of Waiting – class interval 2**



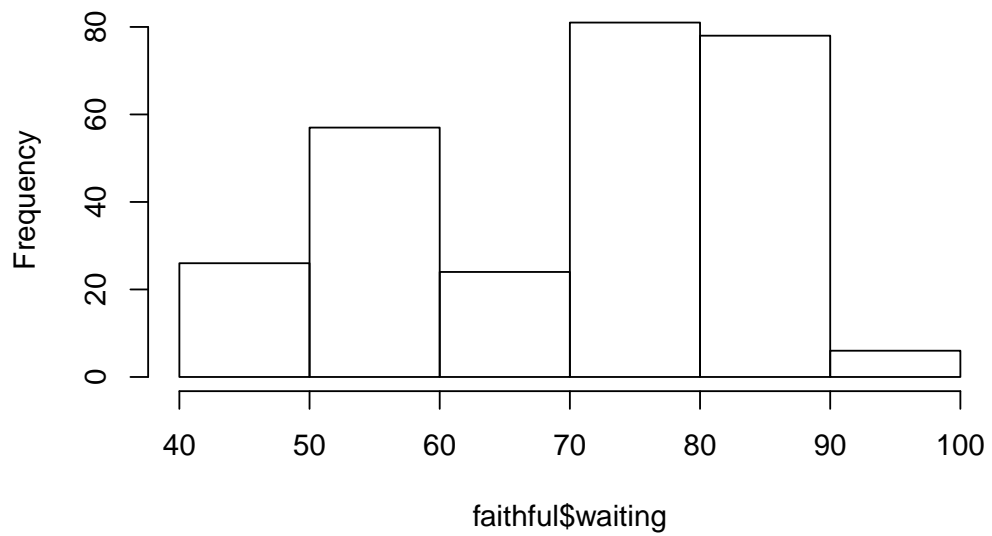
```
hist(faithful$waiting,  
     breaks = seq(40, 100, by = 5),  
     main = " Histogram of Waiting - class interval 5")
```

**Histogram of Waiting – class interval 5**



```
hist(faithful$waiting,  
     breaks = seq(40, 100, by = 10),  
     main = " Histogram of Waiting - class interval 10")
```

**Histogram of Waiting – class interval 10**



- (v) The histogram with class interval 5 may perhaps be judged to give the better illustration of the data. The smaller class interval 2 gives a picture that is too jagged, but the longer class interval 10 smoothes out too much of the detail of the distribution. However, such judgements are debatable.

A feature of the data that the histograms bring out is that for both variables the frequency distribution is what is known as *bimodal*, i.e., it has two peaks. This is not at all apparent from inspection of the descriptive statistics and the boxplots.