

Numerical Python

CS101 lec13

Random Numbers

Announcements

quiz: [quiz13](#) due on Thurs 31/10

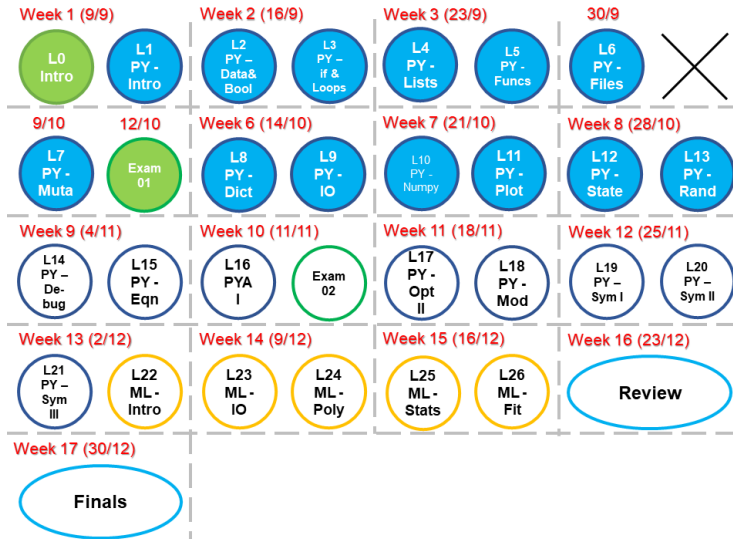
lab: [lab06](#) on Fri 01/11

hw: [hw07](#) due 06/11

exam: [exam02](#) from [lec06-13](#) on 13 Nov @ 8.00pm

MCQ, short question / programming

Roadmap



Plt Recap

Plt.plot

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State Recap

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 - a. When will the ball hit the ground?
 - b. When and where it will reach the highest speed?
 - c. How many times can it bounce after hitting the ground?
 - d. others....
3. We can solve these questions using:
 1. Analytical Solution

Modeling

A Use analytical equation (if available).

$$y(t) = y_0 + v_0 t + \frac{a}{2} t^2$$

$$y_0 = 1$$

$$v_0 = 0$$

$$a = -9.8$$

subject to

$$y(t) \geq 0$$

Modeling

Input

```
# Parameters of simulation
n = 100      # number of data points to plot
start = 0.0  # start time, s
end = 1.0    # ending time, s
a = -9.8     # acceleration, m*s**-2

# State variable initialization
t = np.linspace(start, end, n+1) # time, s
```

Model

```
y = 1.0 + a/2 * t**2

for i in range(1, n+1):
    if y[i] <= 0: # ball has hit the ground
        y[i] = 0

State Recap . . more needed...
```

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We can use finite difference is that in this problem as:

$$v_n(t) = \frac{dy_n}{dt} \approx \frac{y_{n+1} - y_n}{t_{n+1} - t_n} \rightarrow y_{n+1} = y_n + v_n (t_{n+1} - t_n) \text{ (eqn 1)}$$

$$a = \frac{dv_n}{dt} \approx \frac{v_{n+1} - v_n}{t_{n+1} - t_n} \rightarrow v_{n+1} = v_n + a (t_{n+1} - t_n) \text{ (eqn 2)}$$

$$v_{n=0} = 0$$

$$y_{n=0} = 1$$

$$a = -9.8$$

subject to

$$y(t) \geq 0$$

We can put

$$v_{n+1} \text{ (eqn 2) into } v_n \text{ (eqn 1)}$$

to get the "next"

$$y_{n+1} \text{ at } n = n + 1$$

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# State variable initialization
t = np.linspace( start,end,n+1 )      # time, s
y = np.zeros( n+1 )                   # height, m
v = np.zeros( n+1 )                   # velocity, m*s**-1
y[ 0 ] = 1.0                           # initial condition, m
```

Model

```
for i in range( 1,n+1 ):
    v[ i ] = v[ i-1 ] + a*( t[ i ]-t[ i-1 ] )
    y[ i ] = y[ i-1 ] + v[ i ] * ( t[ i ]-t[ i-1 ] )

    if y[ i ] <= 0: # ball has hit the ground
        v[ i ] = 0
        y[ i ] = 0
```

Numerical Methods

A. Numerical Differentiation:

Forward difference, Backward difference, and others....

I) Forward difference,

$$\frac{dy_n}{dt} \approx \frac{y_{n+1} - y_n}{t_{n+1} - t_n}$$

II) Backward difference,

$$\frac{dy_n}{dt} \approx \frac{y_n - y_{n-1}}{t_n - t_{n-1}}$$

Objectives

Using **Numpy and Plot (lec10 and 11)**:

- A. Explain how random numbers are generated from deterministic algorithms.
- B. Distinguish the three basic random distributions (uniform, normal, integer) by sight.
- C. Understand when to apply each of the three basic random distributions in constructing models and simulations (uniform, discrete, normal).

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These are derived from the same rule ($\pi/4$)—but one seems “random” to us.

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Not-so-random random number!

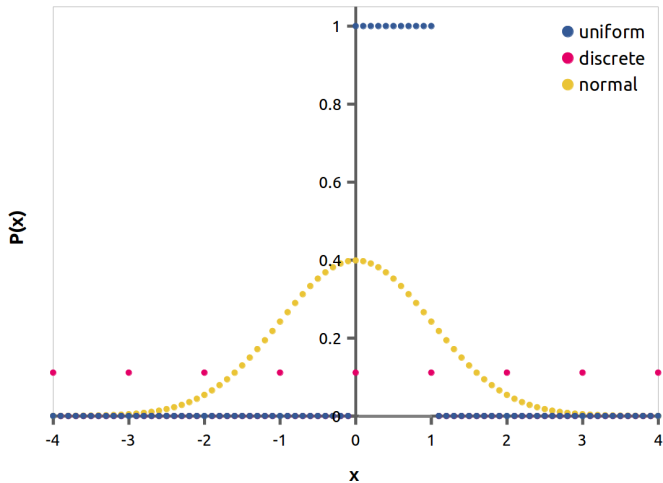
Randomness from numpy

NumPy uses the *Mersenne twister*, based on prime number distributions (but you don't need to know this).

Dozens of distributions are available—let's see a few.

Randomness

There are different ways a number can be random, or distributed.



Discrete distribution

`randint` returns a random (pseudo-random) `integer` in a range (which works the same as `range`).

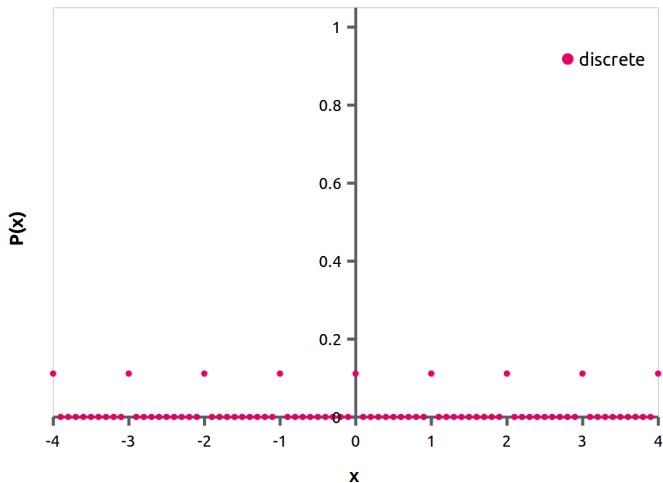
```
np.random.randint( 10 ) #random int between [0,10)
```

```
np.random.randint( 1,7 ) #random int between [1,7)
```

```
np.random.randint( 0,10, size=(5,5) )
```

```
np.random.randint( 0,10, size=(5,5) ) + 1
```


Discrete distribution



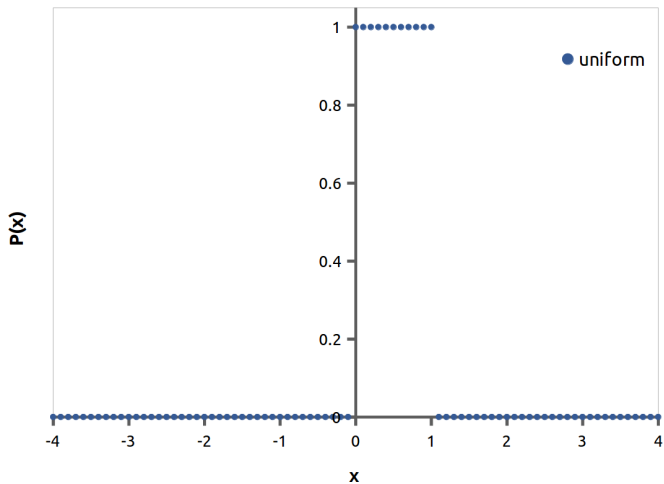
Uniform distribution

`uniform` returns a random `float` in the range `[0, 1)`.

This is called a *uniform* random distribution.

```
np.random.uniform()          # random number, [0,1)
np.random.uniform(a,b)      # random number, [a,b)
np.random.uniform( size=(4,3) ) # in array
x = np.random.uniform( size=(10000,) )
or
x = np.random.uniform( size=10000)
```

Uniform distribution

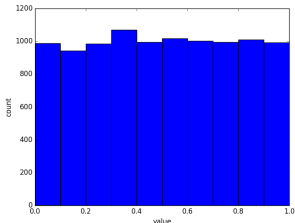


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plt.hist( x, bins=10 )  
plt.show()
```

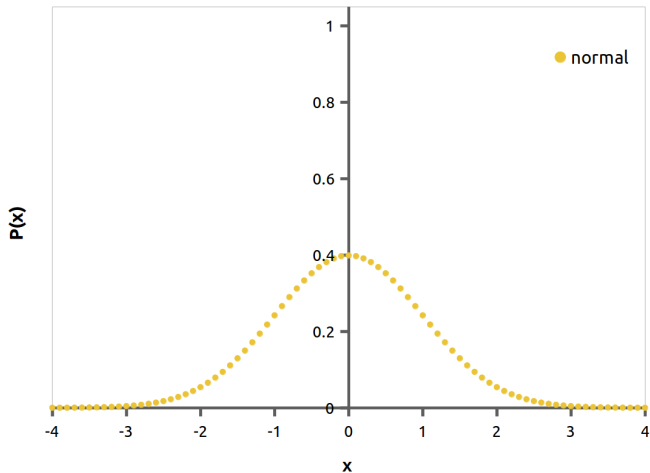


Normal distribution

`normal` returns a random `float` selected from the *normal* distribution with mean 0 and standard deviation 1.

```
np.random.normal()           # random normal number
np.random.normal() + 1.0     # mean 1.0
np.random.normal( loc=1.0 )
(np.random.normal()) * 4     # variance 4.0
np.random.normal( scale=4.0 )
```

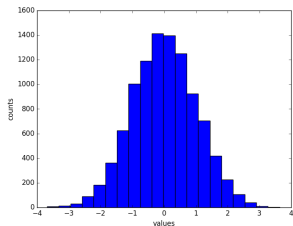
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plt.hist( x,bins=20 )  
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`hist` (matplotlib) creates a *histogram*.

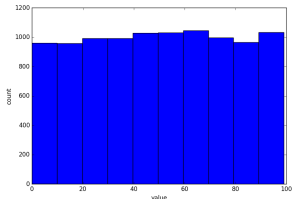
Histograms plot the number of times a value occurs in a data set.

It COUNTS the number of times a value occurs
Then PLOTS it

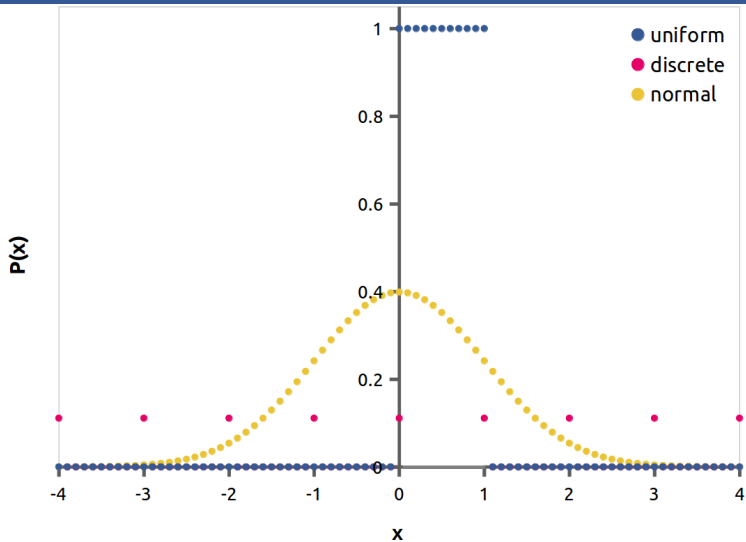
`hist` (matplotlib) creates a *histogram*.

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x = np.random.randint(0,100,size=(10000,1))  
plt.hist(x)  
plt.show()
```



Randomness



Question 1

Which command will generate

```
array([[21, 17],  
       [19,  3],  
       [ 7, 14]])
```

- A. `np.random.randint(1, 23)`
- B. `np.random.normal(size=(3, 2)) * 10 + 3`
- C. `np.random.randint(1, 23, size=(3, 2))`
- D. `np.random.normal() * 10 + 3`
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Question 2

```
x = np.random.randint( 0, 10, size=10000 )
count = [0]*10
for i in x:
    count[i] += 1

print(count)
plt.hist( count, bins=10)
plt.show()
```

Question 2

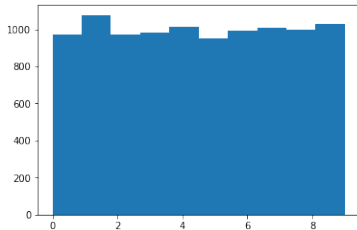
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If count = [973, 1077, 973, 981, 1015, 950, 994, 1010, 997, 1030], What will be plotted?

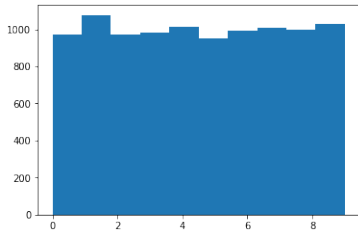
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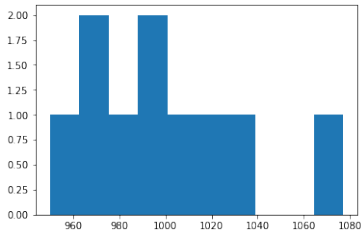


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nope!



This! `plt.hist()` counts then plots!

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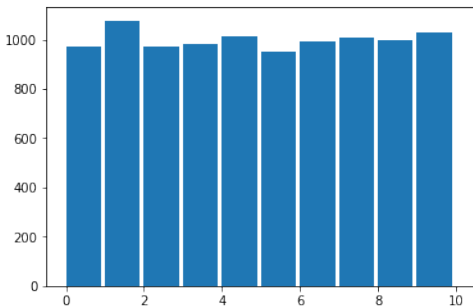
But it is difficult to see the different bars!

Use

```
plt.hist( x, bins=(range(0,11)), rwidth=0.8)
```

> `bins` = the number of bins or the actual different bin intervals, here bins = [0,1), [1,2)...[9,10), [10,11)

> `rwidth` =displayed bar width as a fraction of the bin width



Example - Write your first game!

Number guessing:

```
import numpy as np
number = np.random.randint( 10 )+1
guess = input('Guess the number between 1 and 10:')
while int( guess ) != number:
    guess = input( 'Nope. Try again, my grandma
                  can do better than you' )
print('You did it. Ok, you are better than
      my grandma. Happy?')
```

np.random.choice()

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ans: Any item inside the list `x`

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```
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c = np.random.choice( x, size=5, replace=False )
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Ans: This code chooses five items one at a time from x array but no replacement after each choice.

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None!

The code above shuffles a deck of cards but does not select anything from it.

But `x` is changed!

Question 3

Which of the following will *not* reproduce the behavior of a six-sided dice in `c`?

A `c = np.random.normal(6) + 1`

B `x = np.array(range(1,7))`
`c = np.random.choice(x)`

C `c = np.random.randint(6)+1`

D `d = np.random.uniform() * 6`
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Question 4

```
x = np.array([ ['red',1], ['yellow',2], ['blue',3],  
              ['orange',4], ['green',5], ['pink',6] ])  
y = np.random.shuffle(x[:,1])  
print(y)
```

What are the values for x and y?

Question 4

```
x = np.array([ ['red',1], ['yellow',2], ['blue',3],
               ['orange',4], ['green',5], ['pink',6] ])
y = np.random.shuffle(x[:,1])
print(y)
```

What are the values for x and y?

y = None

x = array with all first element unchanged but second elements shuffled.

Maybe (because the order is random)

```
x = array([ ['red',5],
             ['yellow',1],
             ['blue',3],
             ['orange',2],
             ['green',6],
             ['pink',4] ])
```

What else?

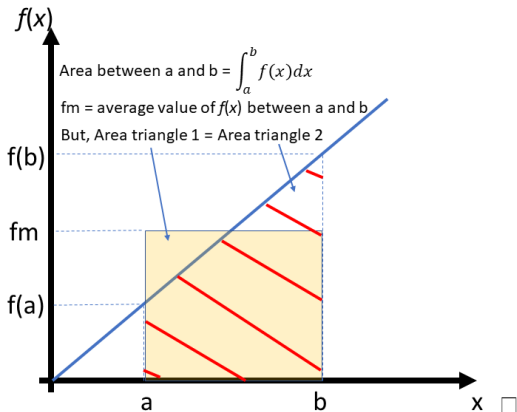
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> Monte Carlo integration

Monte Carlo integration

The mean theorem in calculus for integration: If f_m is the average value of $f(x)$ between $[a, b]$, Then

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = f_m(b - a)$$



Monte Carlo integration

How to find f_m which is the average value of $f(x)$ between $[a,b]$?

1. All we need is to get many, many, many, many points between a and b and sum up the corresponding $f(x)$ values, then take the average.
2. This is similar to if you want to know the average weight for all the Year 1 students, you will need to get the weight of many Year 1 students, add them up and average it.
> The more students, the more accurate. No particular student is preferred.

Monte Carlo integration

To do this averaging in a computer, we can use random numbers to get N ordinates x_0, x_1, \dots, x_{N-1} , get $f(x_0), f(x_1), \dots, f(x_{N-1})$ and sum them up to find f_m :

$$f_m = x_0 + x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_{N-1}$$

$$f_m = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} f(x_j)$$

Monte Carlo integration

```
def mcInt(f,a,b,N):  
    import numpy as np  
    x = 0.  
    fsum = 0.  
    for i in range(N):  
        x = np.random.uniform(a,b)  
        fsum += f(x)  
    return fsum/N*np.abs(b-a)
```

What else?

Our first toy example was pretty lame. What else can we do?

- > Monte Carlo integration
- > Random walk

Random walk

How to generate a program that randomly plot a point up or down or right or left from original point?

```
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
```

```
x = np.zeros( ( 100,1 ) )
y = np.zeros( ( 100,1 ) )
```

Random walk

```
for i in range( 1,len(x) ):
    dir = np.random.randint(4)
    if dir == 0:
        x[i] = x[i-1]
        y[i] = y[i-1]+1
    if dir == 1:
        x[i] = x[i-1]+1
        y[i] = y[i-1]
    if dir == 2:
        x[i] = x[i-1]
        y[i] = y[i-1]-1
    if dir == 3:
        x[i] = x[i-1]-1
        y[i] = y[i-1]
plt.plot(x,y)
plt.show()
```

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- > Monte Carlo integration
- > Random walk
- > Others: scientific applications (quantum mechanics).

Summary

- A. Different distributions and ways to get random sampling using numpy

```
np.random.uniform( size=( i,j ) )  
np.random.normal( size=( x,y ) )  
np.random.randint( k,size=( z,a ) )
```

- B. `plt.hist` to count and plot the number of times a number appeared

- C. `shuffle` and `choice` commands

```
np.random.shuffle( «container» )  
np.random.choice( «container» )
```

- D. Applications: Monte Carlo Integration, random walk...