- 1. Consider splitting the Bernoulli process $X_1, X_2, ...$ by keeping successes with probability q and discarding them with probability 1 q. Then Y represents the number of successes in the split process during the first m trials. Since the split process is Bernoulli with parameter pq, it follows that Y is binomial with parameters m and pq.
- 2. Consider splitting a Poisson process with parameter λ by keeping arrivals with probability q and discarding them with probability 1-q. Then Y represents the number of arrivals in the split process during a unit interval. Since the split process is Poisson with parameter λp , it follows that Y is Poisson with parameter λp .