Then we will use the function **random.shuffle** to shuffle the list [0, 1, ...,n-1], where n is the length of the data set. The **shuffle** function randomly rearranges the values of its argument in place, much like shuffling a deck of cards. We will call the list of indices **ind**, both before and after shuffling.

```
import random
n=len(data)
ind=list(range(n))
random.shuffle(ind)
```

At this point, the list **ind** still contains each of the integers [0, 1, ..., n-1], but they have been rearranged in a random order. Since there are n total indices, then 75% of the indices (rounded to the nearest integer) is given by ntrain=round(0.75\*n). The idea is to extract the data pairs with indices given by the first ntrain numbers in the shuffled **ind** as the training set, and use the remaining data as the test set. Python lets us do this as follows:

```
ntrain=round(.75*n)
xtrain=xvals[ind[:ntrain]]
ytrain=yvals[ind[:ntrain]]
xtest=xvals[ind[ntrain:]]
ytest=yvals[ind[ntrain:]]
```

In this code, ind[:ntrain] gives the first 75% of the indices in the array ntrain, while ind[ntrain:] gives the remaining 25%. There is no-overlap, and all indices are included. By referring to xvals[list\_of\_indices] Python picks out those values in xvals, and only those values in xvals, that are expressed in list\_of\_indices. Here we have replaced list\_of\_indices with ind[:ntrain] to get a training set, and ind[ntrain:] to get a test set.

The two code blocks above can be replaced by the function in the **sklearn** package **model\_selection train\_test\_split**. 15

```
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
xtrain,xtest,ytrain,ytest=\
    train_test_split(xvals.reshape(-1,1),yvals)
```

First, we'll use our old friend scipy.stats.linregress on the training set:

```
from scipy.stats import linregress as LR
b,a,r,p,stderr=LR(xtrain,ytrain)
print(a,b,r)
```

-0.2168130767260834 0.9246615087756963 0.9653789783330483

This tells us that the regression on the training set gives (rounded to 2 decimals)

$$ERP = 0.92 - 0.22 \times PRP \tag{1.67}$$

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup>For details see https://scikit-learn.org/stable/modules/generated/sklearn. model\_selection.train\_test\_split.html. The **reshape** method ensure the that x-array is a column vector.