

Exe2

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Exercise 1 - Discrete random variable

- The probability distribution function of a discrete variable k is given by the *zero-truncated* Poisson distribution:

$$P(k) = \frac{\lambda^k e^{-\lambda}}{k!(1 - e^{-\lambda})}$$

- 1) Write the R functions for the probability density and cumulative distribution functions, using the R naming convention.

- Assuming $\lambda = 1.4$,

- 2) Produce two plots showing the pdf and cdf, separately.

```
## First let's define the zero truncated poisson function
## Remember that x is indeed a vector of n components

dpoisz <- function(x, lambda) {
  pmf <- (lambda^x * exp(-lambda) / (factorial(x) * (1 - exp(-lambda))))
  return(pmf)
}

## Let's now define the cumulative distribution function

ppoisz <- function(k, lambda) {

  cdf <- rep(0, length(k))

  for (i in 1:length(k)) {
    cdf[i] <- sum(dpoisz(1:k[i], lambda))
  }
  return(cdf)
}

N_samples <- 100

x <- 1:15
lambda <- 1.4

plot(dpoisz(x, lambda), type = 's', lwd = 2,
```

```

main = 'Poisson probability function ( = 1.4)',
ylab = 'P(X = x)', xlab = 'Number of events',
ylim = c(0, 0.5),
xlim = c(0, 15)
)

```

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## Warning in title(...): conversione fallita da 'Poisson probability function (
## = 1.4)' in 'mbcsToSbcs': punto sostituito per <ce>

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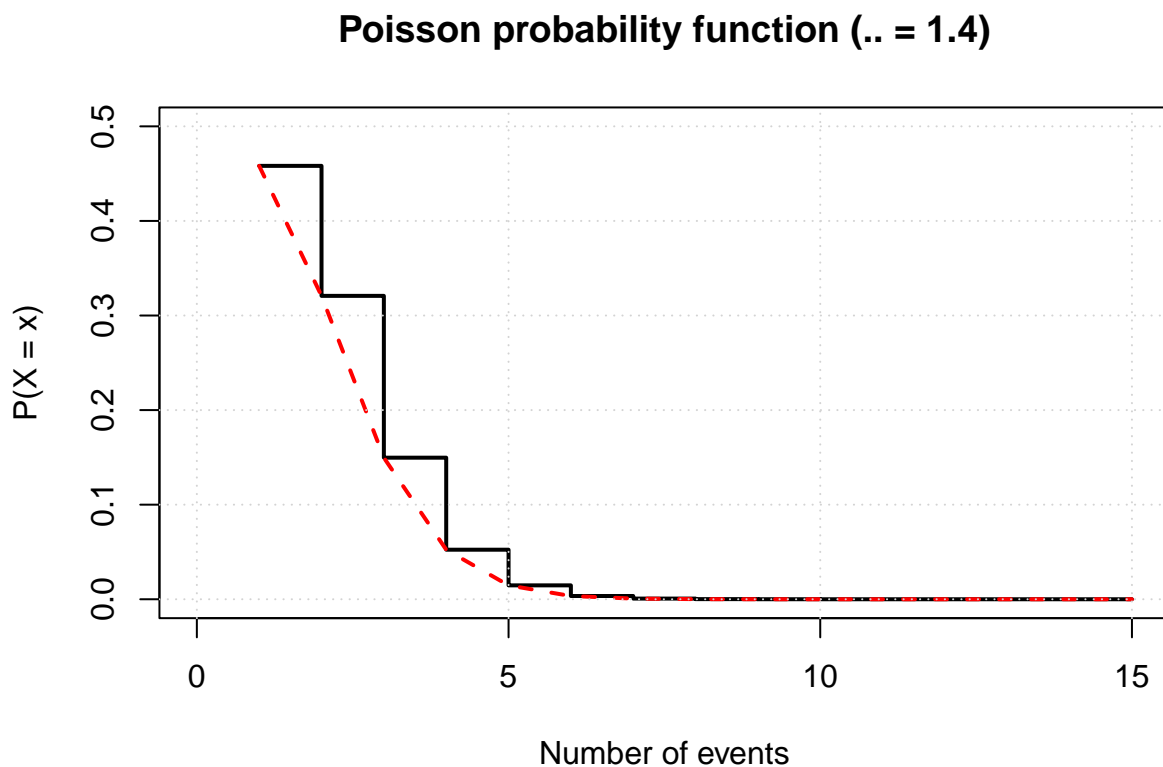
## Warning in title(...): conversione fallita da 'Poisson probability function (
## = 1.4)' in 'mbcsToSbcs': punto sostituito per <bb>

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lines(dpoisz(x, lambda), type = 'l', lty = 2, lwd = 2, col = 'red')
grid()

```



```

#legend('topright', legend = 'λ = 1.4', col = 'black', lwd = 1, bty = 'n')

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#-----
# λ: 1.4
#-----
lambda <- 1.4
k <- 1:15

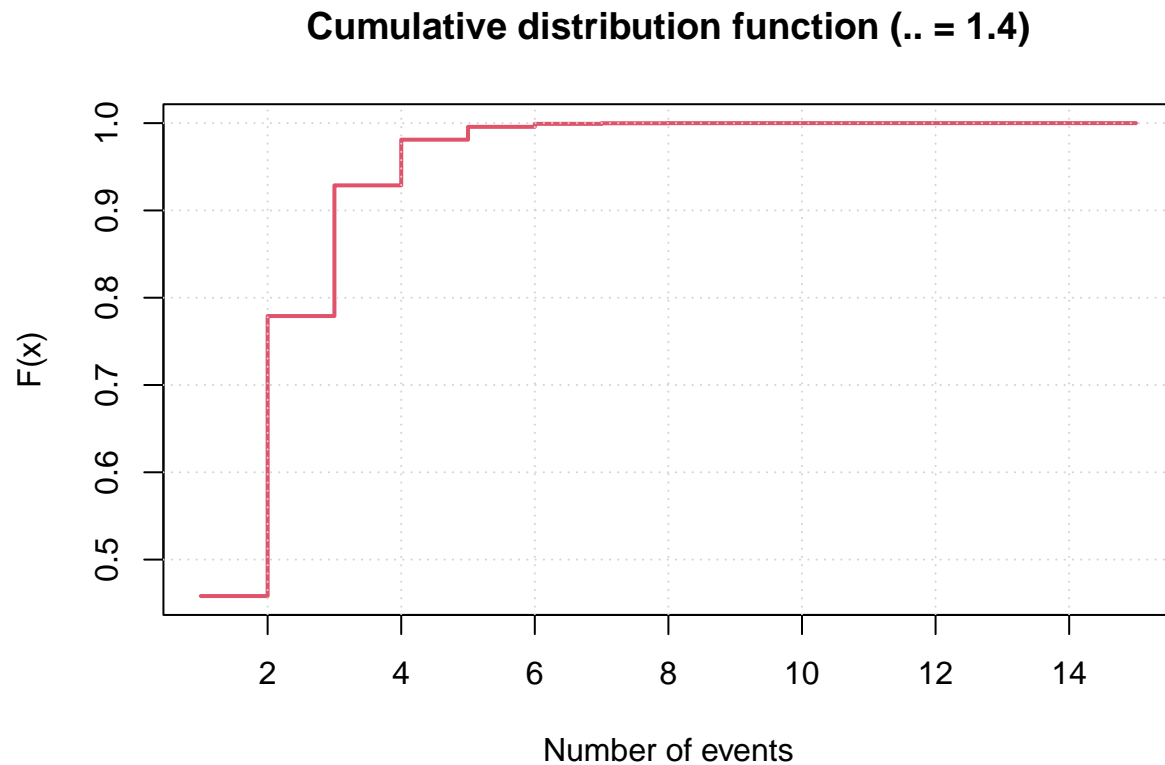
```

```
plot(ppoisz(k, lambda), type = "s", lwd = 2,
     main = "Cumulative distribution function ( = 1.4)",
     xlab = "Number of events", ylab = "F(x)", col = 2,
     ylim = c(min(ppoisz(k, lambda)), max(ppoisz(k, lambda)))
)
```

```
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## ( = 1.4)' in 'mbcsToSbcs': punto sostituito per <ce>
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```
grid()
```



3) Compute the mean value and variance of the probability distribution using R.

```
k <- 0:100
pdf <- dpoisz(k, lambda)
pdf.2 <- dpoisz(k^2, lambda)

mean_value <- sum(k * dpoisz(k, lambda))

print(sprintf('Mean: %.3f', mean_value))
```

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## [1] "Mean: 1.858"
```

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std_value <- sum(k^2 * dpoisz(k, lambda)) - mean_value^2
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print(sprintf('Variance: %.3f', std_value))
```

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## [1] "Variance: 1.007"
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4) Generating a sample of random numbers from the given distribution

```
k <- 1:1000
```

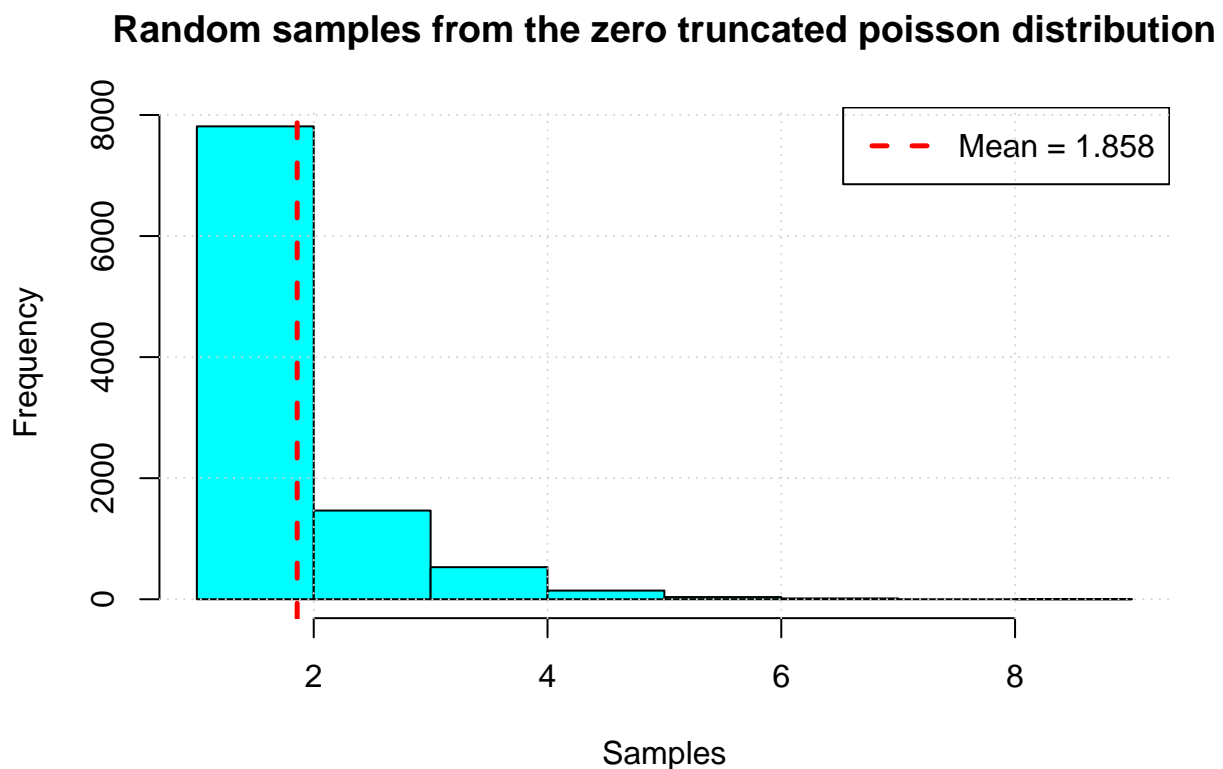
```
samples <- sample(k, size = 10000, replace = TRUE, prob = dpoisz(k, lambda))
```

```
hist(samples,  
      breaks = seq(min(samples), max(samples), by = 1),  
      main = 'Random samples from the zero truncated poisson distribution',  
      xlab = 'Samples', ylab = 'Frequency',  
      col = 'cyan')
```

```
abline(v = mean_value, col = 'red', lty = 2, lw = 2.5)
```

```
#lines(dpoisz(k, lambda), type = 'l', lty = 2, lwd = 2, col = 'black')
```

```
legend('topright', legend = sprintf('Mean = %.3f', mean_value), col = 'red', lty = 2, lw = 2.5)  
grid()
```



Exercise 2 - Continuous random variable

- The energy distribution of CR muons at sea level can be approximated as follows:

$$\begin{cases} p(E) = N & \text{for } E < E_0 \\ p(E) = (E - E_0 + 1)^{-\gamma} & \text{for } E \geq E_0 \end{cases}$$

where $E_0 = 7.25 \text{ GeV}$ and $\gamma = 2.7$.

- Compute the normalization factor N using R.
- Plot the probability density function in R.
- Plot the cumulative density function in R.
- Compute the mean value using R.
- [**Optional**] Generate 10^6 random numbers from this distribution, show them in an histogram and superimpose the pdf (with a line or with a sufficient number of points).

```
## R Markdown
# To compute the normalization factor we need the integral
# Let's first define the probability distribution

p <- function(E, N, E_0, gamma) {
  if (E < E_0) {
    return(N)
  } else {
    return(N * (E - E_0 + 1) ^ (-gamma))
  }
}

E_0 <- 7.25
gamma <- 2.7

n_steps <- 100
dE <- E_0 / n_steps

## First we need to compute the integral of the distribution
summ <- 0
for (i in n_steps) {
  summ <- summ + p(dE, N = 1, E_0, gamma)
}

N <- summ / E_0

print(sprintf('Normalization factor: %.3f ', N))

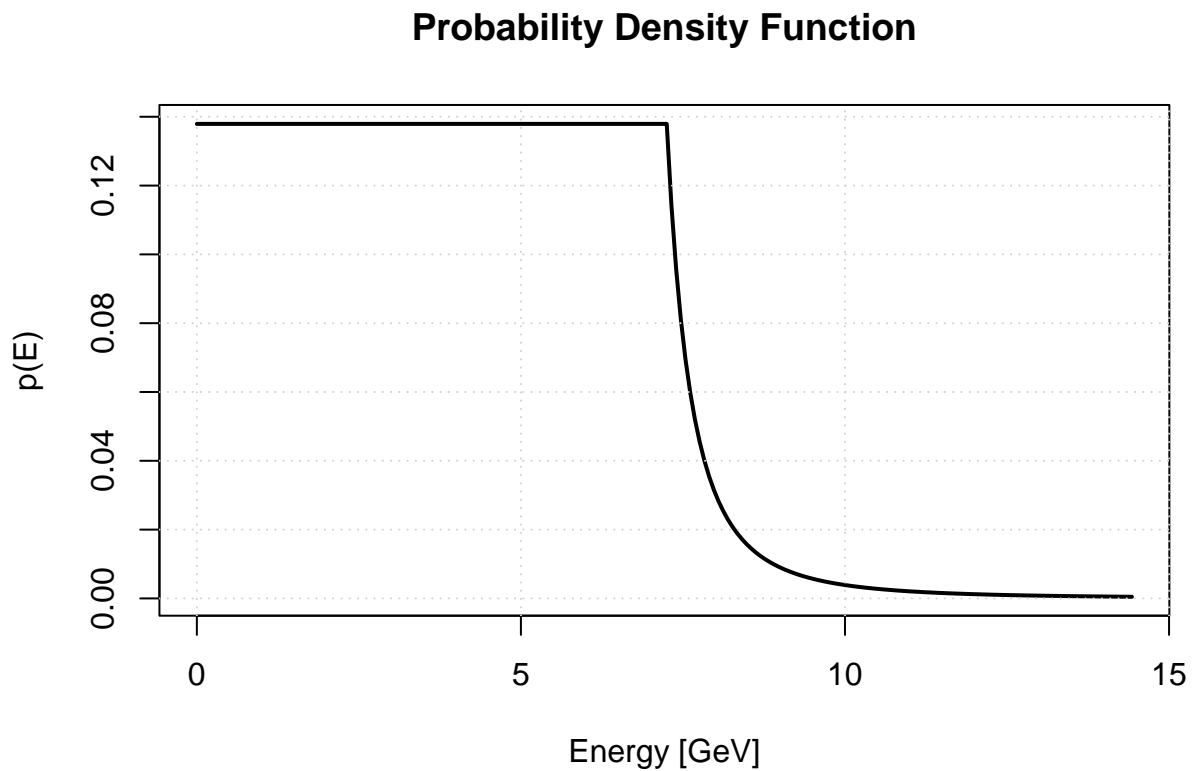
## [1] "Normalization factor: 0.138 "
```

```
## Let's plot the probability density function in R
N_steps <- 100
```

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E <- 0
dE <- E_0 / N_steps
E_stored <- numeric(N_steps * 2)
pdf <- numeric(N_steps * 2)

for (i in 1:(N_steps * 2)) {
  E_stored[i] <- E
  pdf[i] <- p(E, N, E_0, gamma)
  E <- E + dE
}
```

```
plot(E_stored, pdf,
     xlab = 'Energy [GeV]',
     ylab = 'p(E)',
     type = 'l', lwd = 2,
     main = 'Probability Density Function')
grid()
```



```
CDF <- numeric(N_steps * 2)

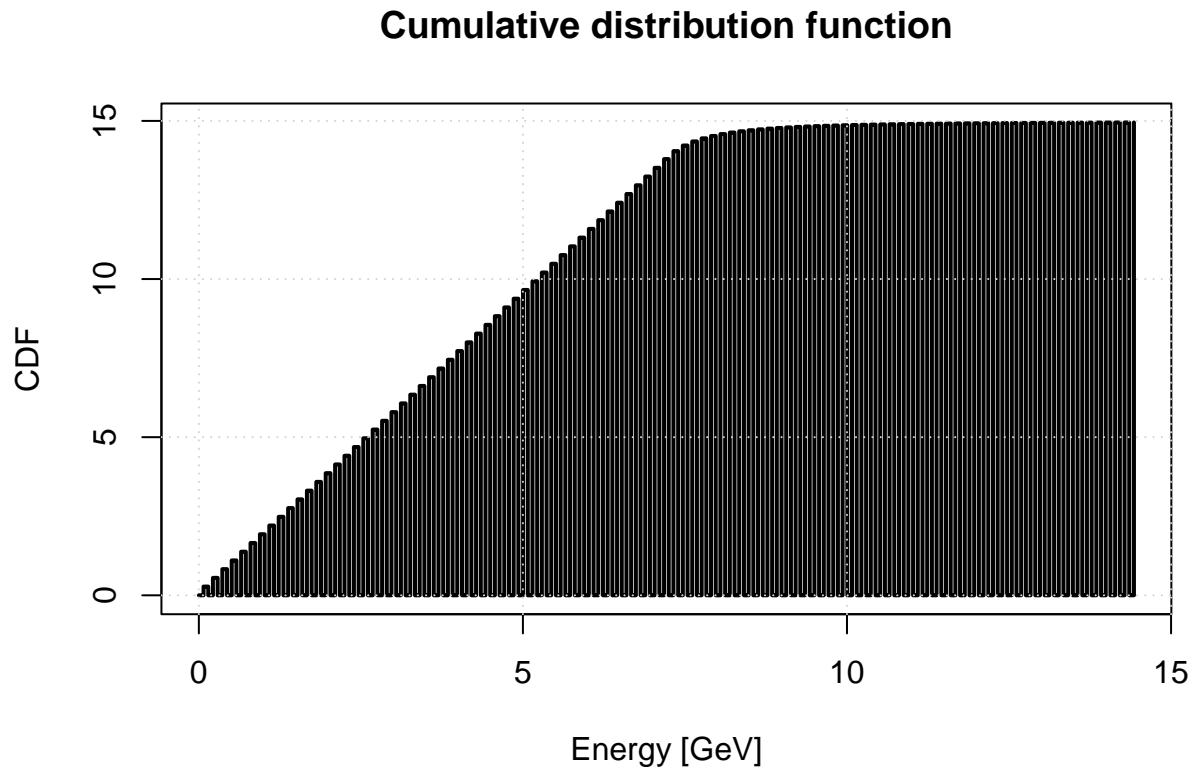
for (i in (1:N_steps * 2)) {
  CDF[i] <- sum(pdf[0:i])
}
```

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}

plot(E_stored, CDF, type = 's',
     xlab = 'Energy [GeV]', ylab = 'CDF',
     main = 'Cumulative distribution function',
     col = 'black', lwd = 2)
grid()

```



```

## Compute the mean

E.x.1 <- integrate(function(E) {N * E}, lower = 0, upper = E_0)$value

E.x.2 <- integrate(function(E) {N * E * (E - E_0 + 1)^(-gamma)}, lower = E_0, upper = Inf)$value

integral <- E.x.1 + E.x.2
print(paste(sprintf('Mean of the distribution: %.3f', E.x.1 + E.x.2), 'GeV'))

```

```
## [1] "Mean of the distribution: 4.329 GeV"
```

Exercise 3 - Suppose that the average number of accidents at an intersection is two per day.

- a) Using Markov's inequality, find a bound for the probability that at least five accidents will occur tomorrow.