

Poisson distribution

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In [1]: import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from scipy import stats
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Poisson distribution is characterized by a single parameter λ . See:

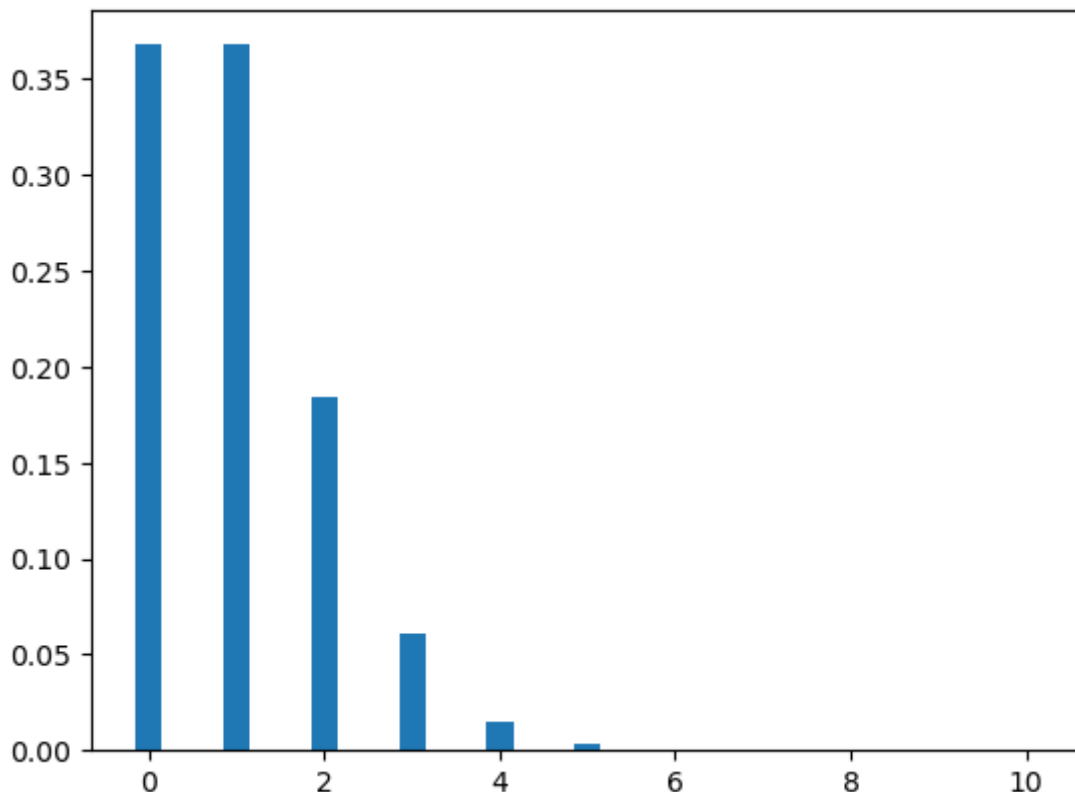
<https://docs.scipy.org/doc/scipy/reference/generated/scipy.stats.poisson.html>

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In [2]: # expectation of lam=1 event on average
lam = 1
x = np.arange(11) # = [0 1 .. 10]
p = stats.poisson.pmf(x, lam)
# Here are the probabilities of observing 0, 1, .., 10 events
print(x, p)

[ 0  1  2  3  4  5  6  7  8  9 10] [3.67879441e-01 3.67879441e-01 1.83939721e-01
 6.13132402e-02
 1.53283100e-02 3.06566201e-03 5.10943668e-04 7.29919526e-05
 9.12399408e-06 1.01377712e-06 1.01377712e-07]
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In [3]: plt.bar(x, p, width=0.3)
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Out[3]: <BarContainer object of 11 artists>
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Below is the probability of observing 9 events if the expectation is 2.315×10^{-5} (neutrinos from SN1987A).

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In [4]: stats.poisson.pmf(9, 2.315e-5)
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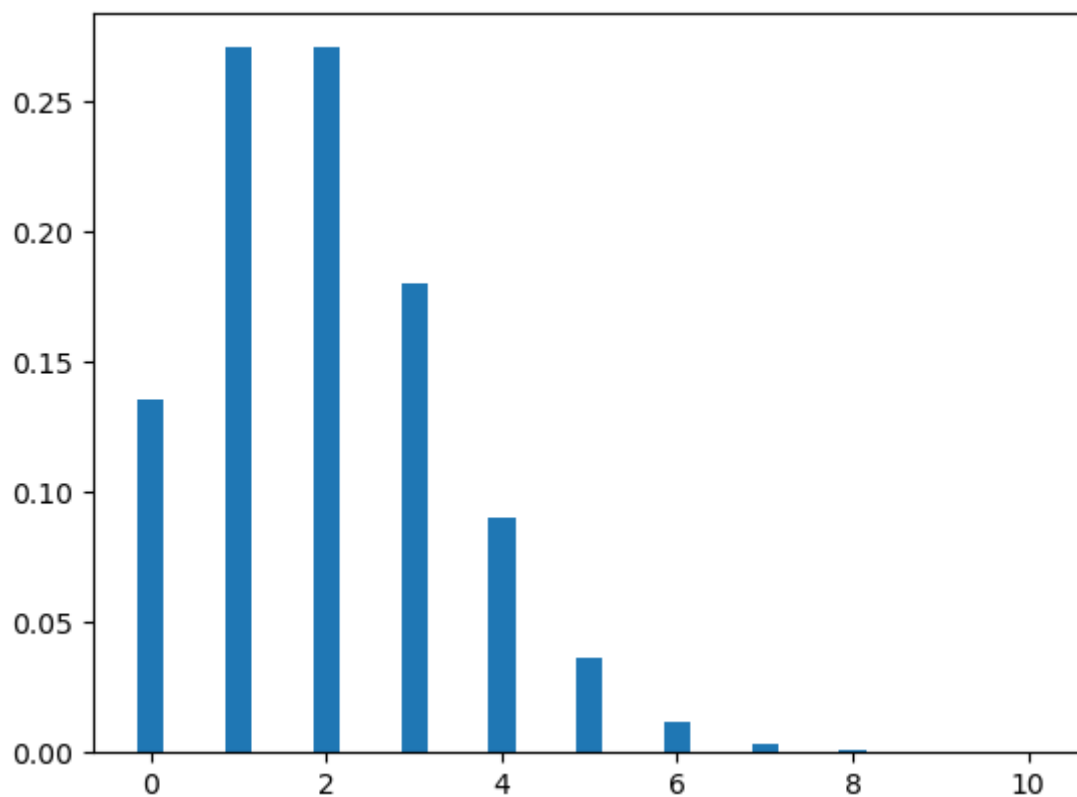
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Out[4]: 5.262424419128112e-48
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In [5]: lam = 2  
x = np.arange(11) # = [0 1 .. 10]  
p = stats.poisson.pmf(x, lam)  
# Here are the probabilities of observing 0, 1, .., 10 events  
print(x, p)
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[ 0  1  2  3  4  5  6  7  8  9 10] [1.35335283e-01 2.70670566e-01 2.70670566e-  
01 1.80447044e-01  
9.02235222e-02 3.60894089e-02 1.20298030e-02 3.43708656e-03  
8.59271640e-04 1.90949253e-04 3.81898506e-05]
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In [6]: plt.bar(x, p, width=0.3)
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Out[6]: <BarContainer object of 11 artists>
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