

# Randomness in NumPy!

## Pro tip

Always check your production environment before you deploy. Otherwise you might, as a hypothetical example, end up trying to give a presentation and find out the libraries you need aren't installed.

## Announcements

- All future assignments and lessons will be on [Prairielearn](#) now.
- For your labs, you will log in to <https://prairietest.org> (<https://prairietest.org>) to get started.
- We are creating a canvas site for the course; main use will be as a gradebook.

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## Randomness

Why do we want random numbers?

```
In [26]: import numpy.random as rand
import numpy as np
from matplotlib.pyplot import imshow, show, plot
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
```

```
In [4]: rand.randint(1,100,3)
```

```
Out[4]: array([84, 64, 78])
```

```
In [5]: print(rand.randint.__doc__)
```

```
randint(low, high=None, size=None, dtype=int)
```

Return random integers from `low` (inclusive) to `high` (exclusive).

Return random integers from the "discrete uniform" distribution of the specified dtype in the "half-open" interval `[low, high)`. If `high` is None (the default), then results are from `[0, low)`.

.. note::

New code should use the `integers` method of a `default_rng()` instance instead; please see the :ref:`random-quick-start`.

#### Parameters

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`low` : int or array-like of ints

Lowest (signed) integers to be drawn from the distribution (unless `high=None`, in which case this parameter is one above the `*highest*` such integer).

`high` : int or array-like of ints, optional

If provided, one above the largest (signed) integer to be drawn from the distribution (see above for behavior if `high=None`). If array-like, must contain integer values

`size` : int or tuple of ints, optional

Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., `(m, n, k)`, then `m * n * k` samples are drawn. Default is None, in which case a single value is returned.

`dtype` : dtype, optional

Desired dtype of the result. Byteorder must be native. The default value is int.

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#### Returns

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`out` : int or ndarray of ints

`size`-shaped array of random integers from the appropriate distribution, or a single such random int if `size` not provided.

#### See Also

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`random_integers` : similar to `randint`, only for the closed interval `[low, high]`, and 1 is the lowest value if `high` is omitted.

`random.Generator.integers`: which should be used for new code.

#### Examples

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```
>>> np.random.randint(2, size=10)
array([1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0]) # random
>>> np.random.randint(1, size=10)
array([0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0])
```

Generate a 2 x 4 array of ints between 0 and 4, inclusive:

```
>>> np.random.randint(5, size=(2, 4))
array([[4, 0, 2, 1], # random
       [3, 2, 2, 0]])
```

Generate a 1 x 3 array with 3 different upper bounds

```
>>> np.random.randint(1, [3, 5, 10])
array([2, 2, 9]) # random
```

Generate a 1 by 3 array with 3 different lower bounds

```
>>> np.random.randint([1, 5, 7], 10)
array([9, 8, 7]) # random
```

Generate a 2 by 4 array using broadcasting with dtype of uint8

```
>>> np.random.randint([1, 3, 5, 7], [[10], [20]], dtype=np.uint8)
array([[ 8,  6,  9,  7], # random
       [ 1, 16,  9, 12]], dtype=uint8)
```

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## Reminder of a couple of utilities

In [6]: `"5,20".split(",")`

Out[6]: `['5', '20']`

In [7]: `"3d20".split("d")`

Out[7]: `['3', '20']`

In [10]: `sum(np.array([2,5,9]))`

Out[10]: `16`

## Try this!

Anyone play tabletop games like Dungeons and Dragons? Make a dice rolling function.

Call `roll("3d6")` to roll 3 6-sided dices and return the sum.

In [13]: `"2d20".split("d")`

Out[13]: `['2', '20']`

In [14]: `rand.randint(1,21,2)`

Out[14]: `array([ 1, 11])`

```
In [21]: def roll(spec):
         times = 1
         size = 1
         try:
             [times,size] = spec.split("d")
         except:
             print("Invalid format.")
             return 0
         result = sum(rand.randint(1,int(size)+1,int(times)))
         return result
```

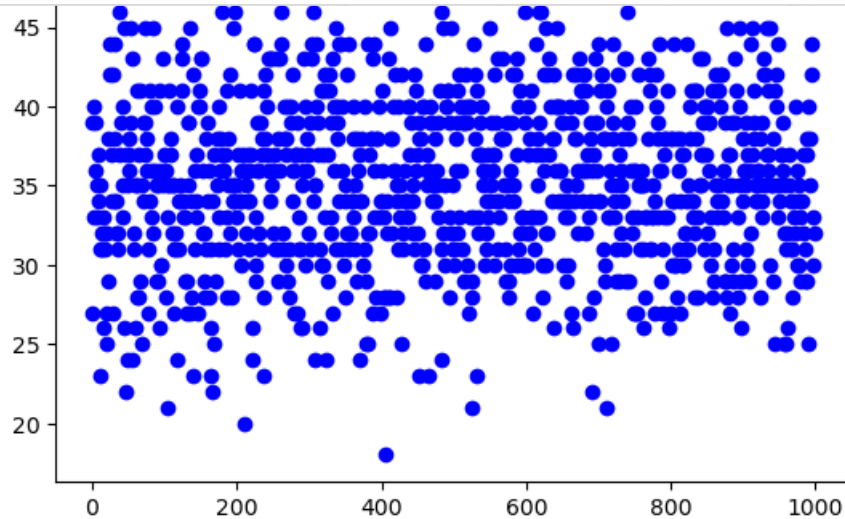
In [25]: `roll("3d6")`

Out[25]: `8`

In [12]: `sum(rand.randint(1,7,3))`

Out[12]: `12`

```
In [28]: numbers = list(map(lambda x: roll("10d6") , range(1000)))
plt.plot( numbers, 'bo' )
```



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## Shuffle and Choice

- `shuffle` randomizes the order
- `choice` picks a random element.

What if you wanted to pick 5 random elements and be sure that nothing got picked twice?

Write a function `pick(x,n)` that picks  $n$  elements from  $x$  "without repetition".

```
In [34]: cards = ['a','b','c']
rand.shuffle(cards)
cards
```

```
Out[34]: ['b', 'c', 'a']
```

```
In [35]: rand.choice(cards)
```

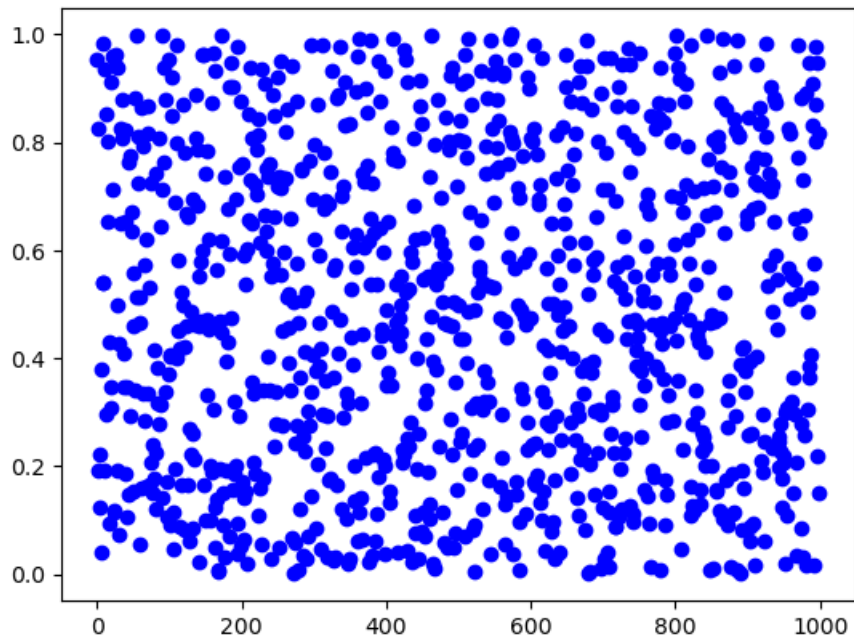
```
Out[35]: 'c'
```

## Distributions

If every number is equally likely, you get a *uniform* distribution.

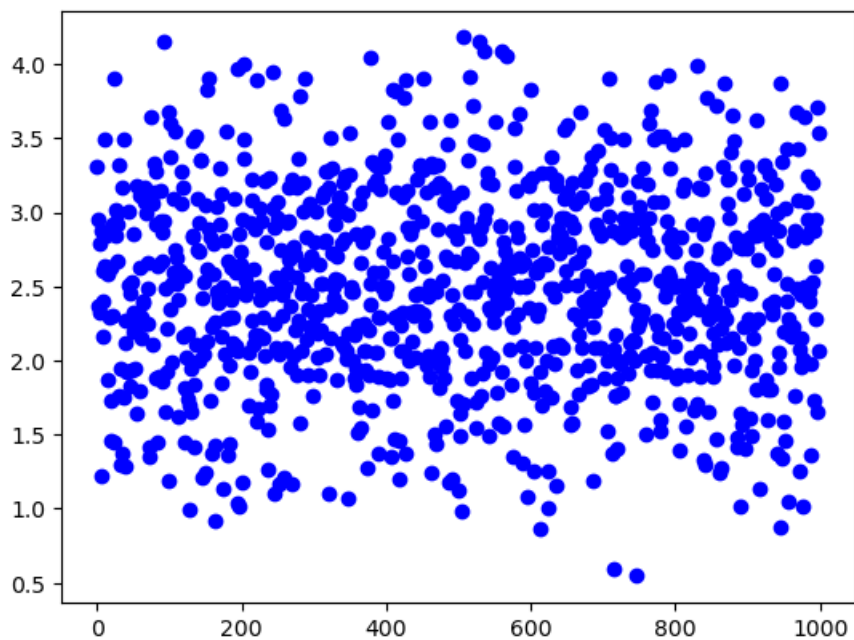
```
In [37]: numbers = rand.uniform( size=1000 )  
plt.plot( numbers, 'bo' )  
rand.uniform( )
```

Out[37]: 0.5450808014552269



```
In [38]: n1 = rand.uniform(size=1000)  
n2 = rand.uniform(size=1000)  
n3 = rand.uniform(size=1000)  
n4 = rand.uniform(size=1000)  
n5 = rand.uniform(size=1000)  
plt.plot(n1 + n2 + n3 + n4 + n5, 'bo')
```

Out[38]: [



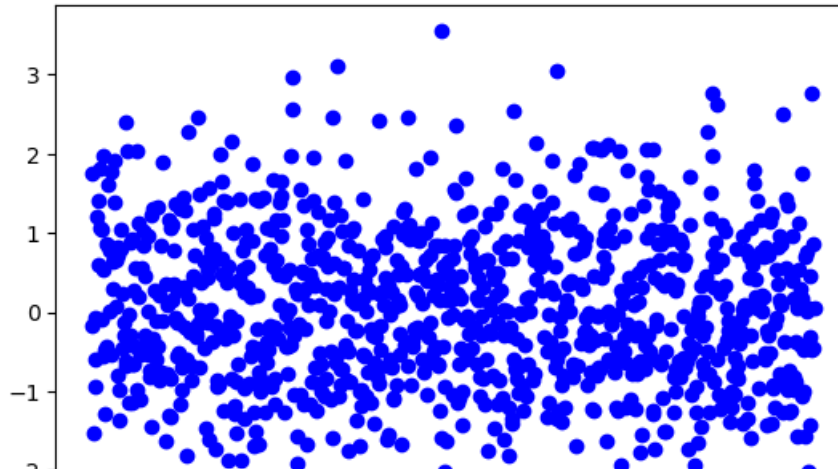
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## When probabilities are summed...

... you get a "normal" distribution. *Statistics disclaimer: this is simplified a bit...*

```
In [39]: numbers = rand.normal( size=1000 )  
plt.plot( numbers, 'bo' )
```

```
Out[39]: [<matplotlib.lines.Line2D at 0x7fb522971540>]
```



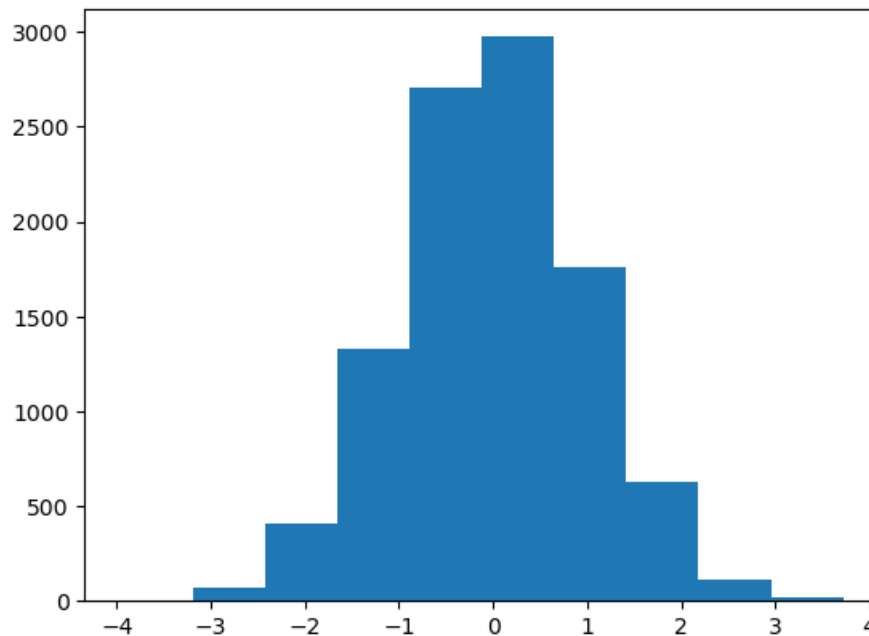
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## Histograms

- Examples:
  - Show uniform histogram
  - Take histogram of 3d6 - why doesn't it work?

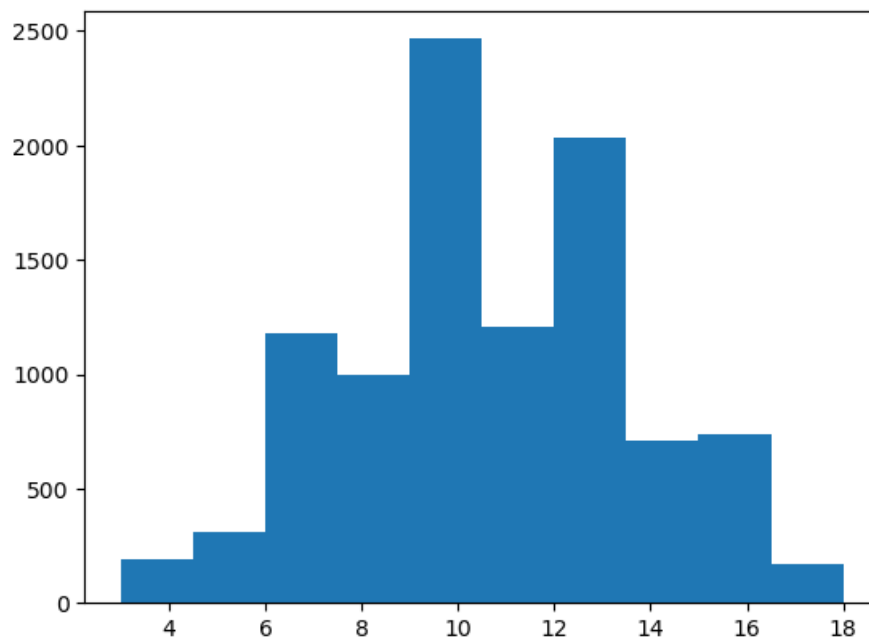
```
In [40]: plt.hist(rand.normal(size=10000))
```

```
Out[40]: (array([2.000e+00, 6.700e+01, 4.050e+02, 1.327e+03, 2.705e+03, 2.974e+03,
        1.760e+03, 6.300e+02, 1.110e+02, 1.900e+01]),
array([-3.95863513, -3.19040929, -2.42218345, -1.65395761, -0.88573177,
        -0.11750593,  0.65071991,  1.41894575,  2.18717159,  2.95539743,
        3.72362327]),
<BarContainer object of 10 artists>)
```



```
In [41]: plt.hist(rand.randint(1,7,10000) + rand.randint(1,7,10000) + rand.randint(1,7,10000))
```

```
Out[41]: (array([ 193.,  307., 1182.,  994., 2466., 1207., 2035.,  708.,  736.,
        172.]),
array([ 3. ,  4.5,  6. ,  7.5,  9. , 10.5, 12. , 13.5, 15. , 16.5, 18. ]),
<BarContainer object of 10 artists>)
```





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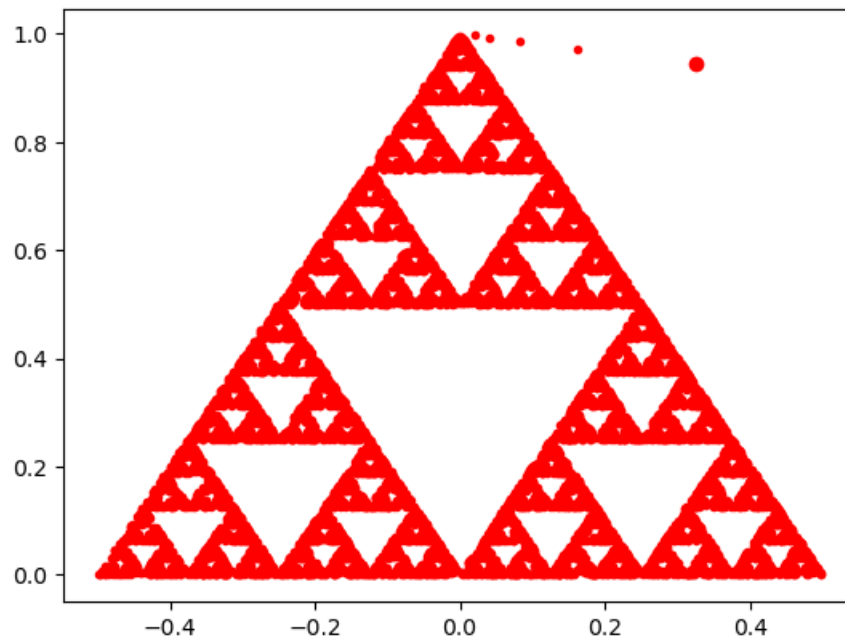
## Fern Fractals

Let's do a random fractal!

```
In [42]: px = [ -0.5, 0, 0.5]
py = [ 0, 1, 0 ]

rx = rand.uniform()
ry = rand.uniform()
plt.plot(rx,ry,"ro")

for i in range(10000):
    z = rand.randint(0,3)
    rx = (rx + px[z])/2
    ry = (ry + py[z])/2
    plt.plot(rx,ry,"r.")
```



```
In [48]: def estPi(times):
inCount = 0
for i in range(times):
    x = rand.uniform()
    y = rand.uniform()
    if (np.sqrt(x*x + y * y) <= 1.0):
        inCount = inCount + 1
return inCount * 4 / times
```

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In [61]: estPi(1000000)
```

Out[61]: 3.141792

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