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12.13.6.4 Suppose that 90 % of people are right handed. What is the probability that at most 6 of a random sample of 10 people are right-handed.

Solution. Let *X* be a Binomial random Variable.

$$X = Bin(n, p) \tag{1}$$

$$= Bin(10, 0.9) \tag{2}$$

The mean μ of X,

$$\mu = n * p \tag{3}$$

$$=9$$
 (4)

The Variance σ^2 of X,

$$\sigma^2 = n * p * (1 - p) \tag{5}$$

$$=0.9\tag{6}$$

Let,

$$Z = \frac{X - \mu}{\sigma} \tag{7}$$

Now, Z is a random variable with $\mu = 0$ and $\sigma^2 = 1$.

We can calculate the distribution of Z by assuming it be a set of discrete points on the Normal-Distribution.

Note:-The CDF of Z will converge to the normal distribution for large values of n.

The Normal-Distribution,

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} * e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} \tag{8}$$

The CDF from the Normal-Distribution

$$F_Z(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{x+0.5} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} * e^{-\frac{t^2}{2}} dt$$
 (9)

Note:- The additional 0.5 correction term is present. We want

$$X \le 6 \tag{10}$$

$$\therefore Z \le \frac{6 - \mu}{\sigma} \tag{11}$$

$$Z \le -3.16 \tag{12}$$

$$F_Z(-3.16) = \int_{-\infty}^{-2.66} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} * e^{-\frac{t^2}{2}} dt$$
 (13)

On Computation,

$$F_Z(-3.16) = 0.0042$$
 (14)