

Discussion 9

CUNY MSDS DATA 605

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Book: Grinstead: Introduction to Probability

Exercise

Let S_{100} be the number of heads that turn up in 100 tosses of a fair coin. Use the Central Limit Theorem to estimate the below exercises:

Preamble

The second fundamental theorem of probability is the **Central Limit Theorem**. This theorem says that if S_n is the sum of n mutually independent random variables, then the distribution function of S_n is well-approximated by a certain type of continuous function known as a **normal density function**, which is given by the formula

$$f_{\mu,\sigma}(x) = \frac{e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}}$$

Also, from the above information provided, we know as follows:

$$n = 100$$

$$p = 0.5$$

$$\mu = np$$

$$\mu = 100 \times 0.5 = 50$$

$$\sigma^2 = np(1-p)$$

$$\sigma^2 = 100 \times 0.5 \times (1-0.5)$$

$$\sigma = \sqrt{100 \times 0.5 \times (1-0.5)}$$

$$\sigma = 5$$

Also, The Central Limit for Bernoulli Trials says as follows:

Let S_n be the number of successes in n Bernoulli trials with probability p for success, and let a and b be two fixed real numbers. Then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(a \leq S_n \leq b) = \int_a^b f_{\mu,\sigma}(x) dx$$

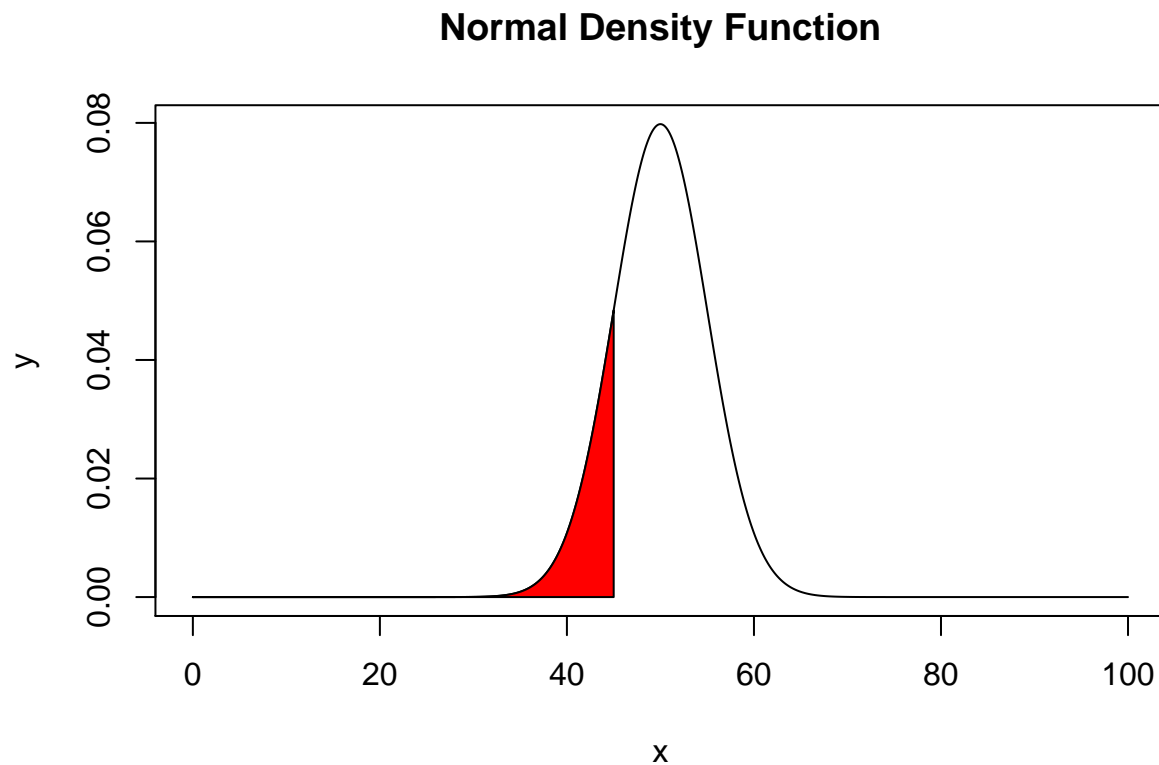
For demonstration purposes, I will write a small function that find it's approximation based on the Central Limit Theorem using the **normal density function** only.

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# This can also be calculated by using >>>> pnorm(b, mu, sigma) <<<<
CLT <- function(a, b){
  mu <- 50
  sigma <- 5
  ndf <- function(x){exp(1)^(-(x - 50)^2 / (2 * 5^2)) / (5 * sqrt(2 * pi))}
  p_ndf <- integrate(ndf, lower = a, upper = b)
  return(p_ndf$value)
}

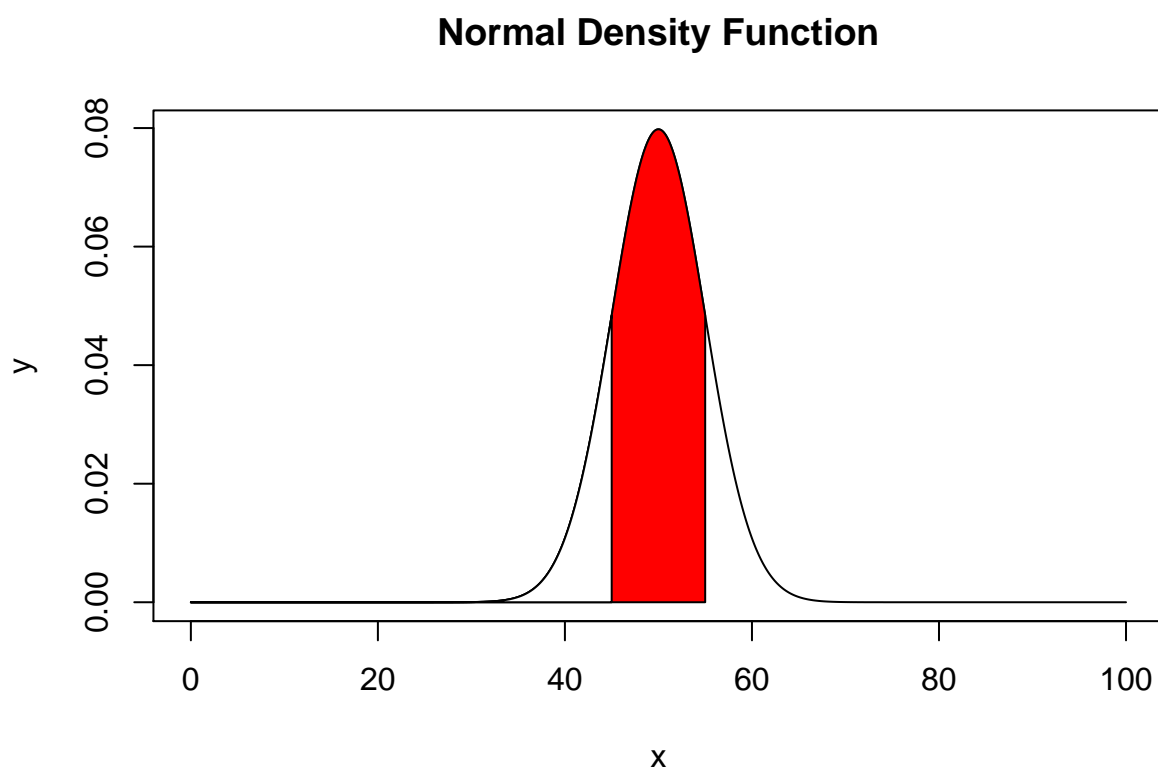
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(a) $P(S_{100} \leq 45)$.



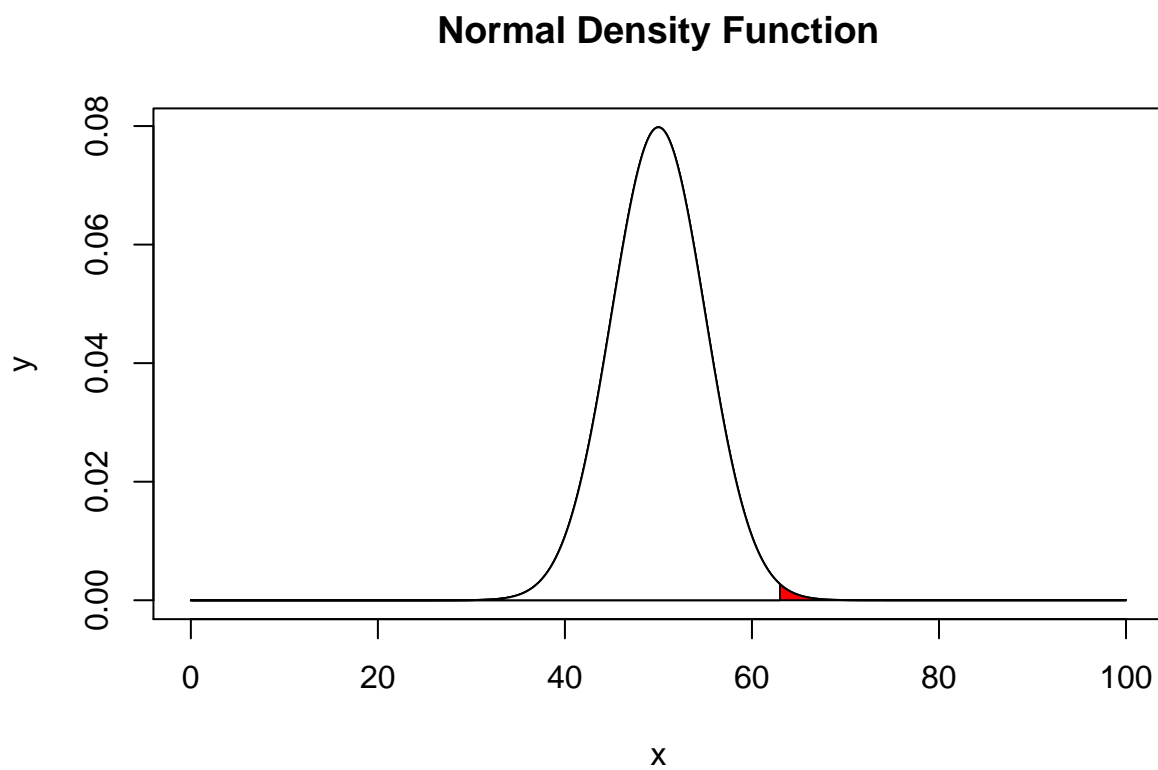
The probability will be 0.1587 or 15.87%.

(b) $P(45 < S_{100} < 55)$.



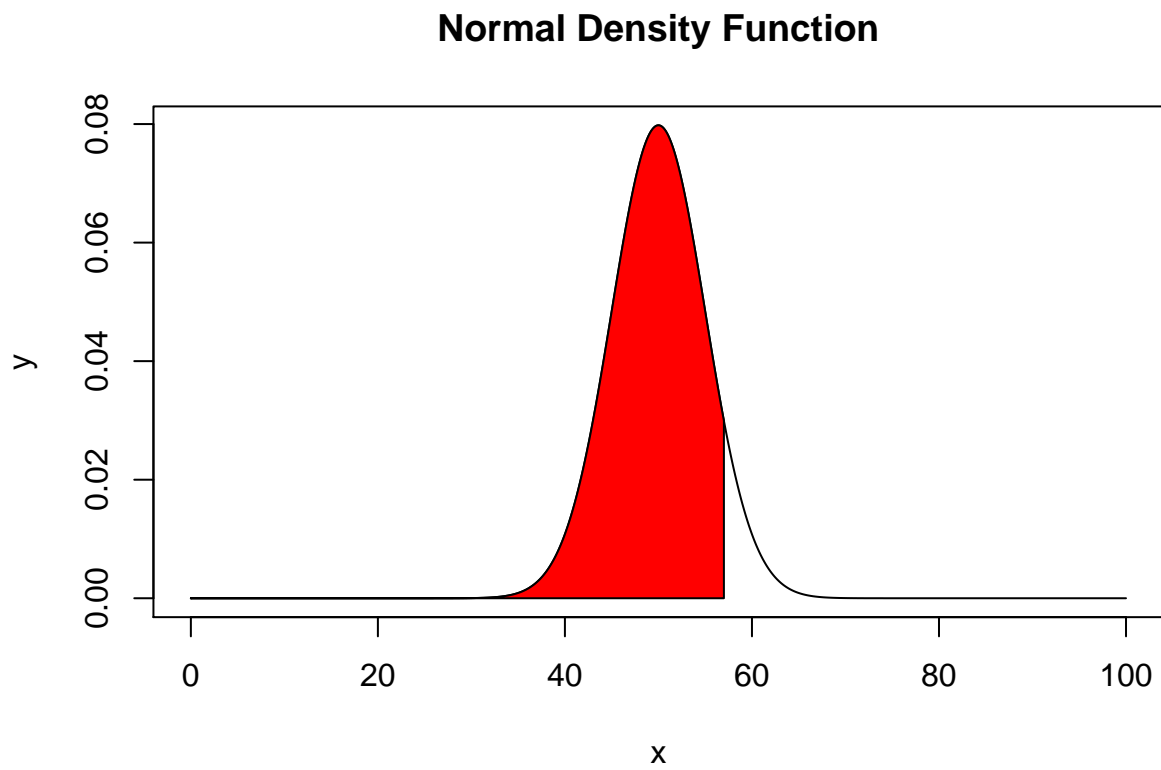
The probability will be 0.6827 or 68.27%.

(c) $P(S_{100} > 63)$.



The probability will be 0.0047 or 0.47%.

(d) $P(S_{100} < 57)$.



The probability will be 0.9192 or 91.92%.