

Question 9.3.7

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There are 5% defective items in a large bulk of items. What is the probability that a sample of 10 items will include not more than one defective item?

Solution:

Parameter	Values	Description
n	10	Number of items
p	0.05	Probability of being defective
q	0.95	Probability of not being defective
$\mu = np$	0.5	Mean
$\sigma^2 = npq$	0.475	Variance

Table 1: Definition of parameters and their values

1. Binomial: The cdf using binomial is given by

$$F_Y(n) = \Pr(Y \leq n) \quad (1)$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^n {}^{10}C_k p^k (1-p)^{10-k} \quad (2)$$

We require $\Pr(Y \leq 1)$. Since $n = 1$,

$$F_Y(1) = \Pr(Y \leq 1) \quad (3)$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^1 {}^{10}C_k (0.05)^k (0.95)^{10-k} \quad (4)$$

$$= 0.9138 \quad (5)$$

2. Gaussian: $Y \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$

To obtain cdf,

$$\Pr(Y \leq 1) = F_Y(1) \quad (6)$$

$$F_Y(x) = \Pr(Y \leq x) \quad (7)$$

$$= \Pr(Y - \mu \leq x - \mu) \quad (8)$$

$$= \Pr\left(\frac{Y - \mu}{\sigma} \leq \frac{x - \mu}{\sigma}\right) \quad (9)$$

$$= 1 - \Pr\left(\frac{Y - \mu}{\sigma} > \frac{x - \mu}{\sigma}\right) \quad (10)$$

We know that,

$$\frac{Y - \mu}{\sigma} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1) \quad (11)$$

$$\Pr(X > x) = Q(x) \quad (12)$$

Hence,

$$F_Y(x) = 1 - Q\left(\frac{x - \mu}{\sigma}\right), \text{ if } x > \mu \quad (13)$$

$$= Q\left(\frac{\mu - x}{\sigma}\right), \text{ if } x < \mu \quad (14)$$

$$\Rightarrow F_Y(1) = 1 - Q\left(\frac{0.5}{\sqrt{0.475}}\right) \quad (15)$$

$$= 0.766 \quad (16)$$

With correction of 0.5,

$$\Pr(Y \leq 1.5) = F_Y(1.5) \quad (17)$$

$$F_Y(1.5) = 1 - Q\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{0.475}}\right) \quad (18)$$

$$= 0.927 \quad (19)$$

From (5) and (19)

$$\Pr(Y \leq 1) \approx F_Y(1.5) \quad (20)$$

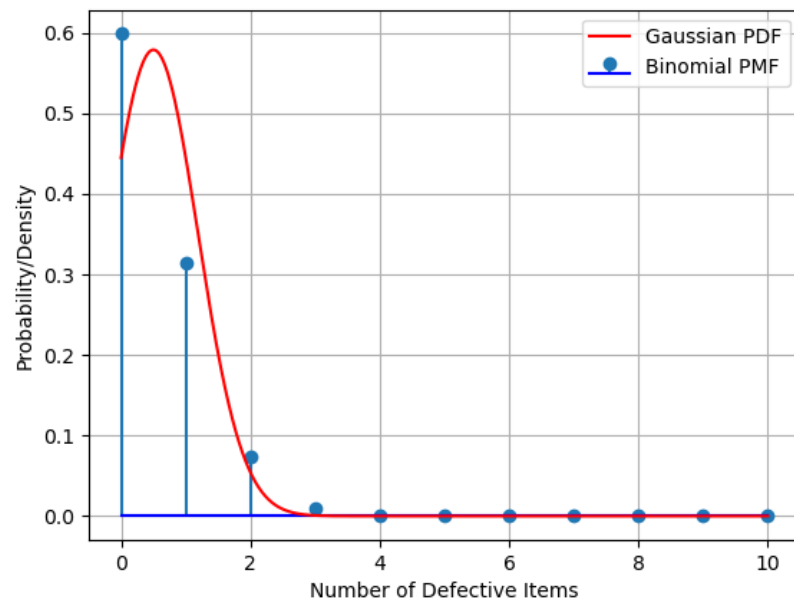


Figure 1: Binomial pmf vs Gaussian pdf