

# Central Limit Theorem (CLT)

Note Title

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(for Binomial r.v.'s.) De Moivre-Laplace Thm

$$P(S_n = i) = \binom{n}{i} p^i q^{n-i}$$

CLT:

$$\frac{S_n - np}{\sqrt{npq}} \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{\mathcal{D}} N(0, 1)$$

i.e.  $\forall a < b$

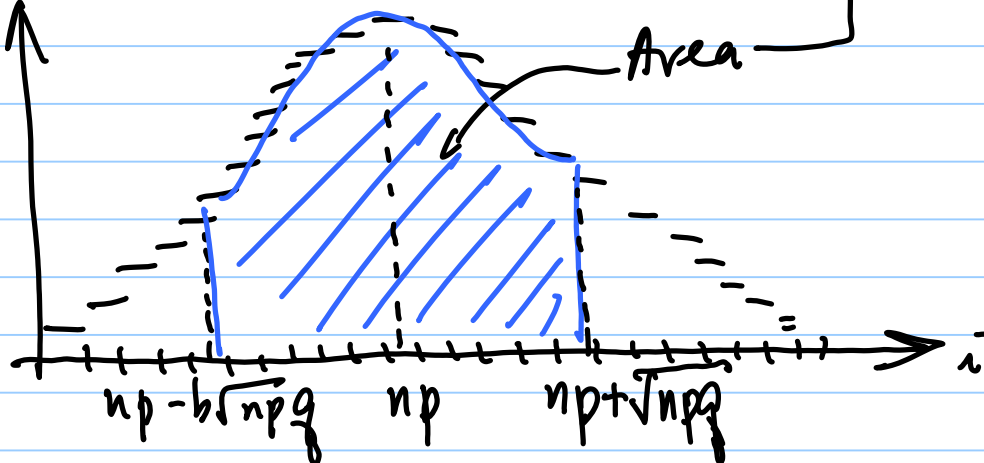
$$P\left(a < \frac{S_n - np}{\sqrt{npq}} < b\right) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_a^b \frac{e^{-\frac{z^2}{2}}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} dz$$

In particular, for  $a = -b$ ,

$$P(-b < \frac{S_n - np}{\sqrt{npq}} < b) \rightarrow \int_{-b}^b \frac{e^{-\frac{z^2}{2}}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} dz$$

i.e.  $P(np - b\sqrt{npq} < S_n < np + b\sqrt{npq})$

$P(S_n = i)$



(1) Recall Stirling's Formula:

$$n! \sim \sqrt{2\pi} n^{n+\frac{1}{2}} e^{-n} \text{ for } n \gg 1$$

$$\text{i.e. } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n!}{\sqrt{2\pi} n^{n+\frac{1}{2}} e^{-n}} = 1$$

(2) Consider the max. value of  $P(S_n = i)$   
which occurs at  $i = np$

$$P(S_n = np) = \binom{n}{i} p^i q^{n-i}, \quad i = np$$

$$= \frac{n!}{i! (n-i)!} p^i q^{n-i}$$

$$= \frac{n!}{(np)! (n-np)!} p^{np} q^{n-np}$$

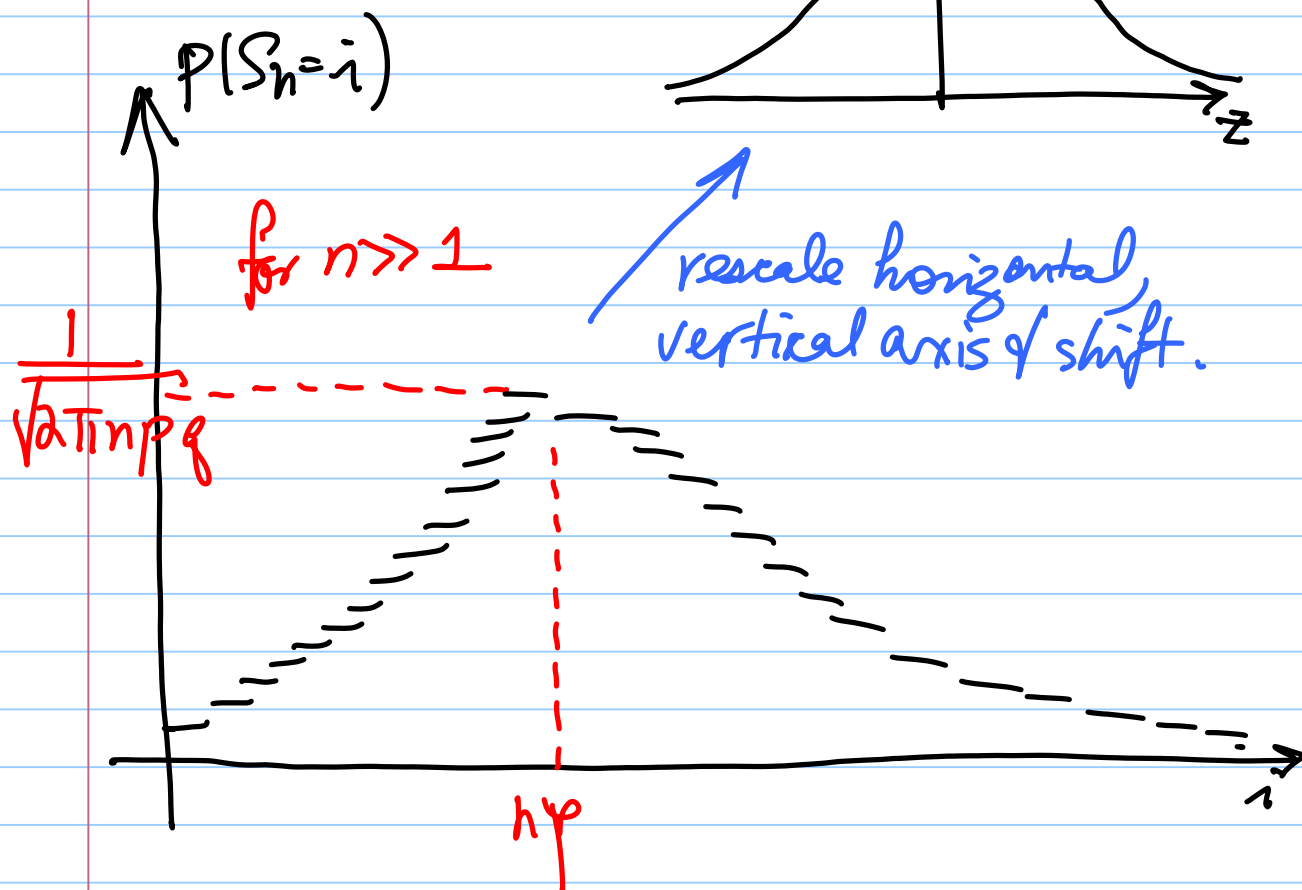
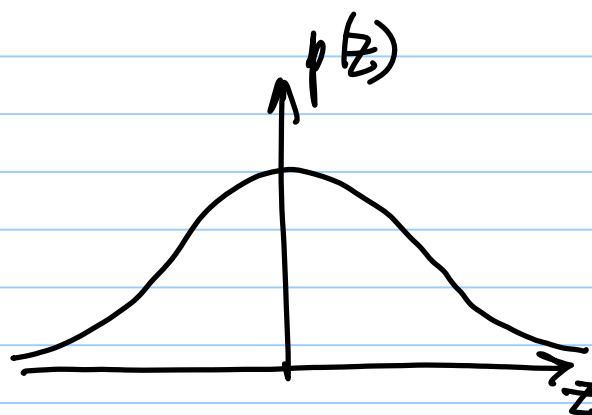
$$= \frac{n!}{(np)! (nq)!} p^{np} q^{nq}$$

$$(p+q=1)$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{2\pi} n^{n+\frac{1}{2}} e^{-n} p^{np} q^{nq}}{\sqrt{2\pi} (np)^{np+\frac{1}{2}} e^{-np} \sqrt{2\pi} (nq)^{nq+\frac{1}{2}} e^{-nq}}$$

$$= \frac{n^n \sqrt{n} p^{np} q^{nq}}{\sqrt{2\pi} (np)^{np} (nq)^{nq} \sqrt{np} \sqrt{nq}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi npq}}$$



# Local Limit Theorem

$$P(S_n = i) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} ?$$

( $n$  &  $i$  chosen appropriately)

$$= P\left(\frac{S_n - np}{\sqrt{npq}} = \frac{i - np}{\sqrt{npq}}\right)$$

Define  $Z = \frac{i - np}{\sqrt{npq}}$

Choose  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $i \rightarrow \infty$  such that  $Z$  remains fixed.

Note:  $i = np + Z\sqrt{npq}$

$$n \gg \sqrt{n} \quad \text{for } n \gg 1$$

Hence  $i = np + Z\sqrt{npq} \rightarrow \infty$

$$n - i = nq - Z\sqrt{npq} \rightarrow \infty$$

$$P(S_n = i)$$

$$= \binom{n}{i} p^i q^{n-i}$$

$$= \frac{n!}{i! (n-i)!} p^i q^{n-i}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{2\pi} n^{n+\frac{1}{2}} e^{-n} p^i q^{n-i}}{\sqrt{2\pi} i^{i+\frac{1}{2}} e^{-i} \sqrt{2\pi} (n-i)^{n-i+\frac{1}{2}} e^{-(n-i)}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \sqrt{\frac{n}{i(n-i)}} \left(\frac{np}{i}\right)^i \left(\frac{nq}{n-i}\right)^{n-i}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \sqrt{\frac{n}{(np+z\sqrt{npq})(nq-z\sqrt{npq})}} \left(\frac{np}{i}\right)^i \left(\frac{nq}{n-i}\right)^{n-i}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{npq}} \underbrace{\left(\frac{np}{i}\right)^i \left(\frac{nq}{n-i}\right)^{n-i}}_{f_n(z)}$$

$$\text{i.e. } P(S_n = \bar{z}) \underset{\substack{n \gg 1 \\ z\text{-fixed}}}{\approx} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi npq}} f_n(z)$$

$$\text{where } f_n(z) = \binom{np}{\bar{z}} \left( \frac{nq}{n-\bar{z}} \right)^{n-\bar{z}}$$

Compute asymptotics of  $f_n(z)$ :

$$\log f_n(z) = \bar{z} \log \left( \frac{np}{\bar{z}} \right) + (n-\bar{z}) \log \left( \frac{nq}{n-\bar{z}} \right)$$

$$= (np + z\sqrt{npq}) \log \left( \frac{np}{np + z\sqrt{npq}} \right)$$

$$+ (nq - z\sqrt{npq}) \log \left( \frac{nq}{nq - z\sqrt{npq}} \right)$$

$$= (np + z\sqrt{npq}) \log \left( 1 + z \sqrt{\frac{q}{np}} \right)^{-1}$$

$$+ (nq - z\sqrt{npq}) \log \left( 1 - z \sqrt{\frac{p}{nq}} \right)^{-1}$$

$$= -(np + z\sqrt{npq}) \log\left(1 + z\sqrt{\frac{q}{np}}\right)$$

$$- (nq - z\sqrt{npq}) \log\left(1 - z\sqrt{\frac{p}{nq}}\right)$$

[ Taylor Expansion of  $\log(1+x)$  :

$$\log(1+x) = x - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{3} - \dots ]$$

$$= -(np + z\sqrt{npq}) \left( z\sqrt{\frac{q}{np}} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{z^2 q}{np} + \dots \right)$$

$$- (nq - z\sqrt{npq}) \left( -z\sqrt{\frac{p}{nq}} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{z^2 p}{nq} + \dots \right)$$

$$= -z\sqrt{npq} + \frac{1}{2} z^2 q - z^2 q + o\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\right)$$

$$z\sqrt{npq} + \frac{1}{2} z^2 p - z^2 p + o\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\right)$$

these two cancel each other.  $\because p+q=1$

$$= -\frac{z^2}{2} + o\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\right) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} -\frac{z^2}{2}$$

$$\text{i.e. } \log f_n(z) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} -\frac{z^2}{2}$$

$$\text{Hence } f_n(z) \longrightarrow e^{-\frac{z^2}{2}}$$

$$\text{i.e. } P(S_n = i) \underset{n \gg 1}{\approx} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi npq}} e^{-\frac{z^2}{2}}$$

(Local CLT)

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Putting the above together:

$$\begin{aligned} & P\left(a \leq \frac{S_n - np}{\sqrt{npq}} \leq b\right) \\ &= P(np + a\sqrt{npq} \leq S_n \leq np + b\sqrt{npq}) \\ &= \sum_{np + a\sqrt{npq} \leq i \leq np + b\sqrt{npq}} P(S_n = i) \end{aligned}$$



$$= \sum_{\substack{np \\ +}}^{np} \frac{e^{-z^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi npq}} \quad \text{where } a\sqrt{npq} \leq i \leq b\sqrt{npq}$$

$$= \sum_{a \leq \frac{i - np}{\sqrt{npq}} \leq b} \frac{e^{-z^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi npq}}$$

$$= \sum_{a \leq z \leq b} \frac{e^{-z^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi npq}}$$

Note  $z = \frac{i - np}{\sqrt{npq}}$

$i$  is integer valued, i.e.  $\Delta i = 1$

Hence  $\Delta z = \frac{\Delta i}{\sqrt{npq}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{npq}}$

$$= \sum_{a \leq z \leq b} \frac{e^{-\frac{z^2}{2}}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{npq}}$$

$$= \sum_{a \leq z \leq b} \frac{e^{-\frac{z^2}{2}}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \Delta z$$

Riemann Sum

$$\int_a^b \frac{e^{-\frac{z^2}{2}}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} dz$$

integral

