Q: The probability that a person is not a swimmer is 0.3. The probability that out of 5 persons 4 are swimmers is

Solution:

Parameter	Values	Description
n	5	Number of draws
p	0.3	Probability that person is not a swimmer
q	0.7	Probability that person is a swimmer
μ	3.5	Mean
σ	1.024	Variance
X	0	Swimmer
	1	Not a swimmer
Y	$\sum_{i=1}^{n} X_i$	Bernoulli Random Variable

The gaussian distribution function is defined as:

$$p_Y(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$
(1)

$$p_Y(4) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi (1.05)}} e^{-\frac{(4-3.5)^2}{2(1.05)}}$$
 (2)

$$=\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi(1.05)}}e^{-\frac{5}{42}}\tag{3}$$

$$= 0.3456$$
 (4)

Probability that out of 5 persons 4 are swimmers using bernoulli distribution is

$$Pr(Y=4) = p_Y(4) \tag{5}$$

$$= {}^{n}C_{k}p^{k}(1-p)^{n-k}$$
 (6)

$$=0.360$$
 (7)

Q function is defined

$$Q(x) = \int_{x}^{\infty} f(x) dx \tag{8}$$

then CDF of Y is:

$$\Pr(Y < x) = \int_{-\infty}^{x} f(x) dx \tag{9}$$

$$=1-\int_{x}^{\infty}f(x)\,dx\tag{10}$$

$$=1-Q(x) \tag{11}$$

$$\Pr\left(\frac{Y-\mu}{\sigma}\right) \approx \Pr\left(\frac{Y+0.5-\mu}{\sigma} < \frac{Y-\mu}{\sigma} < \frac{Y-0.5-\mu}{\sigma}\right)$$
(12)

$$\approx \Pr\left(\frac{Y-\mu}{\sigma} < \frac{Y+0.5-\mu}{\sigma}\right) - \Pr\left(\frac{Y-\mu}{\sigma} < \frac{Y-0.5-\mu}{\sigma}\right) \tag{13}$$

$$\approx Q\left(\frac{Y-0.5-\mu}{\sigma}\right) - Q\left(\frac{Y+0.5-\mu}{\sigma}\right) \tag{14}$$

Hence, probability that out of 5 persons 4 are swimmers using gaussian approximation is

$$Pr(Y = 4) = Pr(3.5 < Y < 4.5)$$
(15)

$$= \int_0^{0.976} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \times e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx \tag{16}$$

(17)

$$= 0.335$$
 (18)

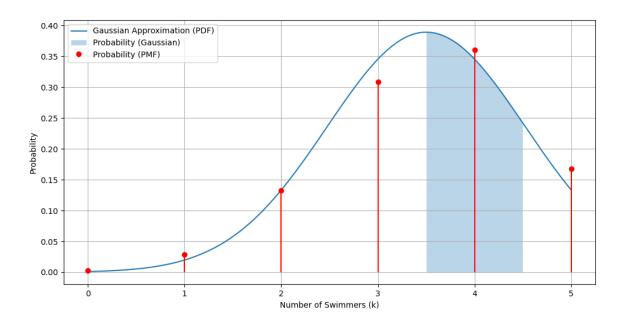


Fig. 0. PDF vs Gaussian