

# Learning Objectives

- **Review** inferential statistics, z-distribution, and models of randomness
- **Describe** 5 conditions required for using the *binomial distribution*
- **Visualize** probability in the binomial distribution
- **Solve** for expected probability using the binomial table

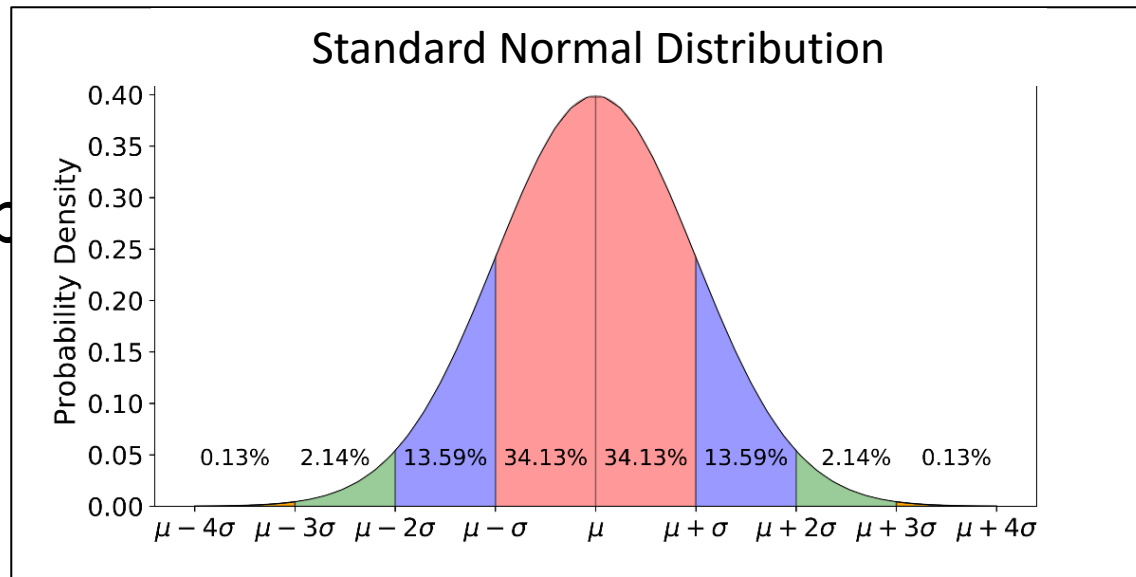
# Review

- What is our goal when using *inferential statistics*?

Allows us to calculate a raw score for any given z-score, its percentile, and the probability of getting that score (from area under curve)

- What does the z-distribution tell us?

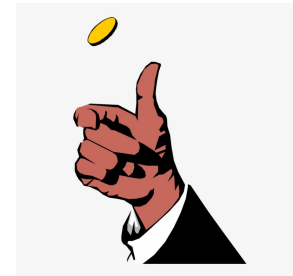
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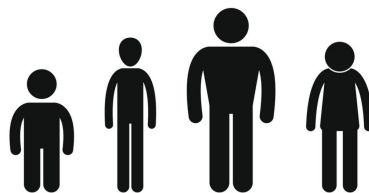
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# Binomial Distribution

- Binomial distribution shows how likely observations are, when...
  - 2 outcomes are possible
    - Example: Flipping a coin



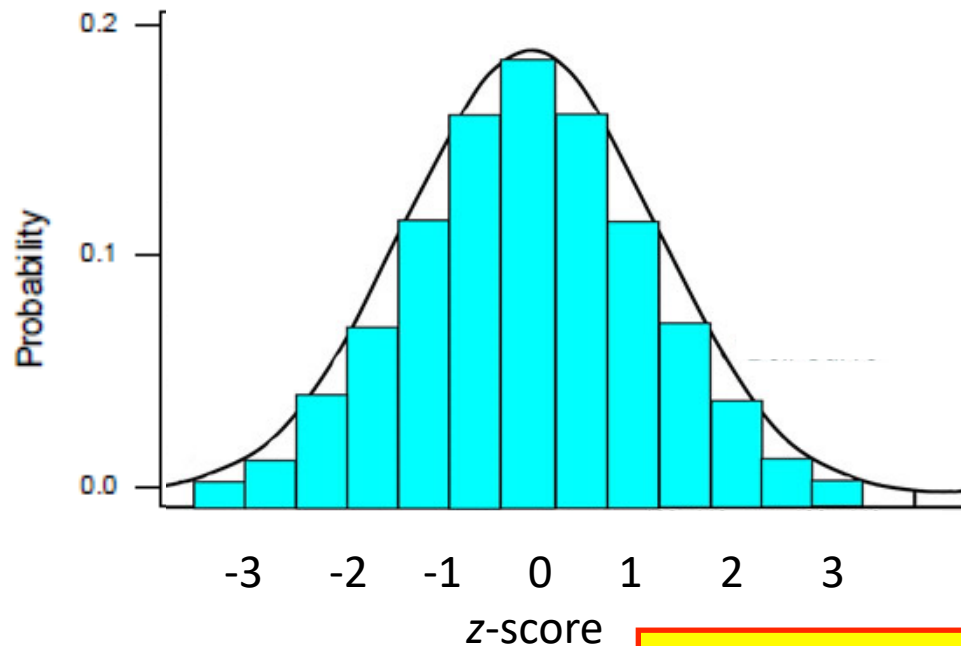
- z-distribution (or *normal distribution*) shows how likely observations are, when...
  - Many outcomes are possible
    - Example: Heights relative to a population



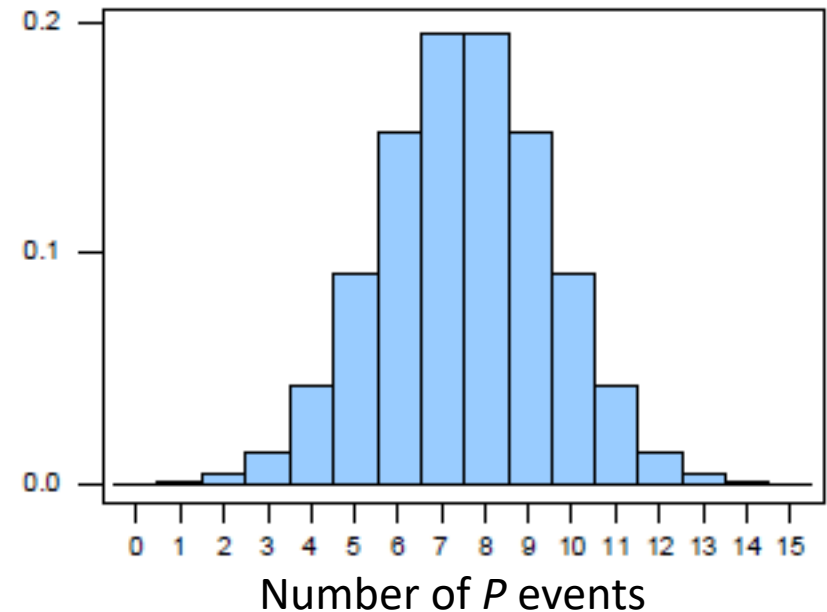
# Modeling Probability

tallying probability for any number of  $P$  events

z-distribution



Binomial distribution



simplified version of z (practically indistinguishable graph)

*Height of  $z=3$  (or 6'8")?  
That's RARE!!*

*14 out of 15 land on heads?  
That's RARE!!*

# *Test Yourself!*

- A fair coin is flipped 3 times; what is the probability of getting exactly 2 heads?
    - a) 0.667
    - b) 0.375
    - c) 0.250
    - d) 0.125
  - How many ways can we get 2 heads?
    - There are 3 different ways:
      1. HHT,  $p = .125$
      2. HTH,  $p = .125$
      3. THH,  $p = .125$
- Sum( $p$ 's) = **.375**

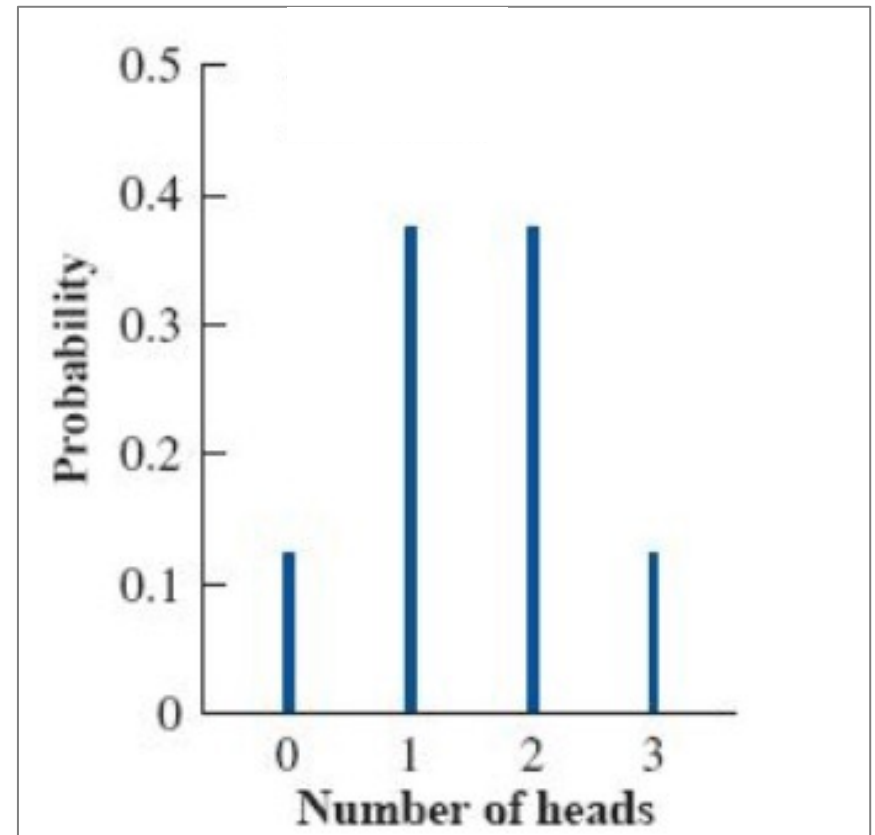
# Binomial Distribution

When  $N = 3$  &  $P = .50$

- $p(2 \text{ heads})?$
- $p(0 \text{ heads})?$
- $p(\text{at least } 1 \text{ head})?$

**Need 2 pieces of info:**

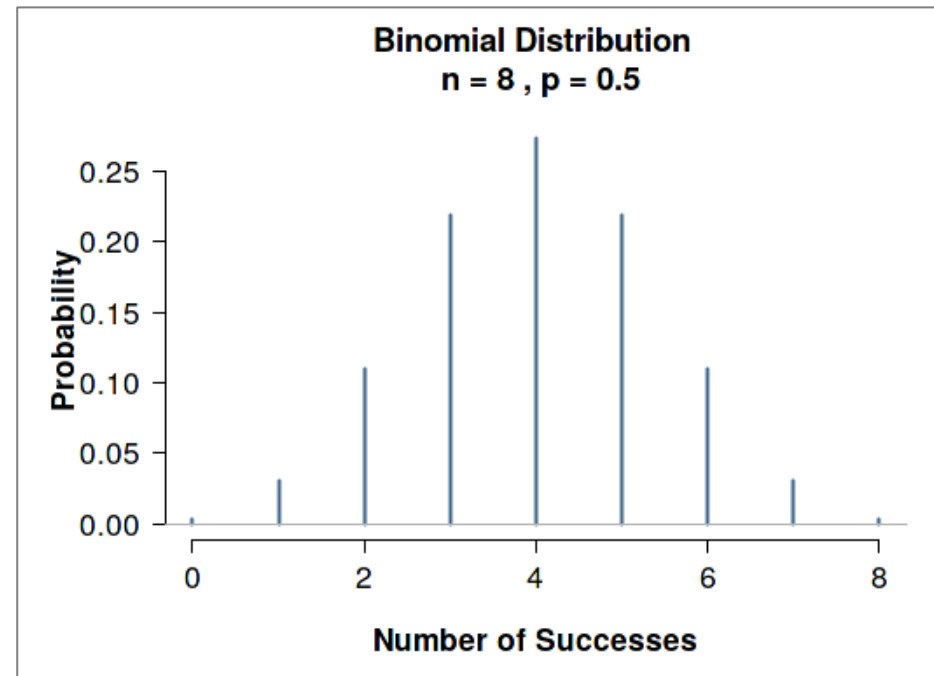
- $N$
- Expectation for  $P$  event



# 5 Rules for Binomial Distribution

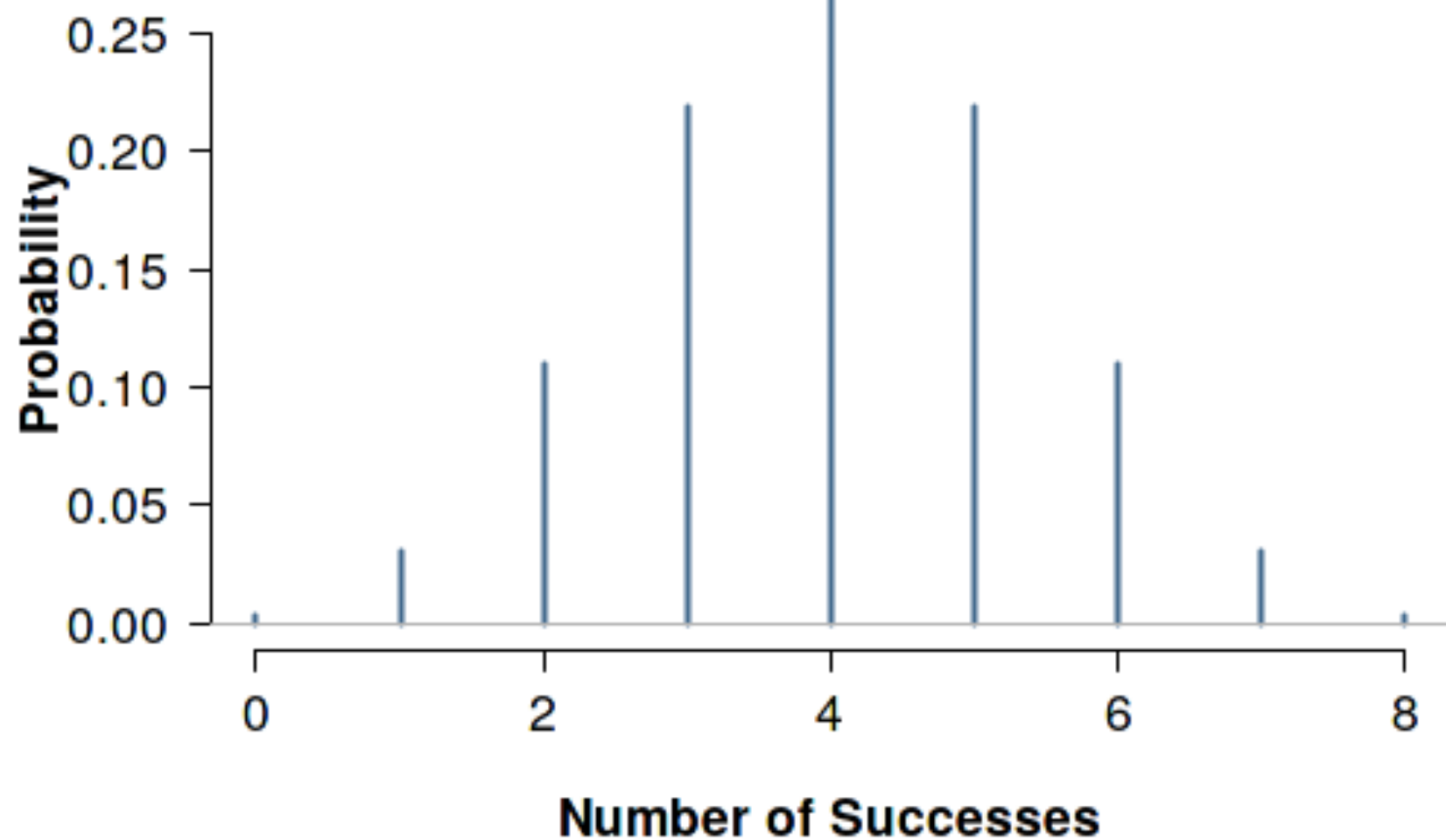
1. Series of  $N$  trials
2. Only 2 outcomes
3. Outcomes are *mutually exclusive*
4. Outcomes are *independent*
5. Expectation for  $P$  remains consistent

*Does flipping a fair coin meet these?*



## Binomial Distribution

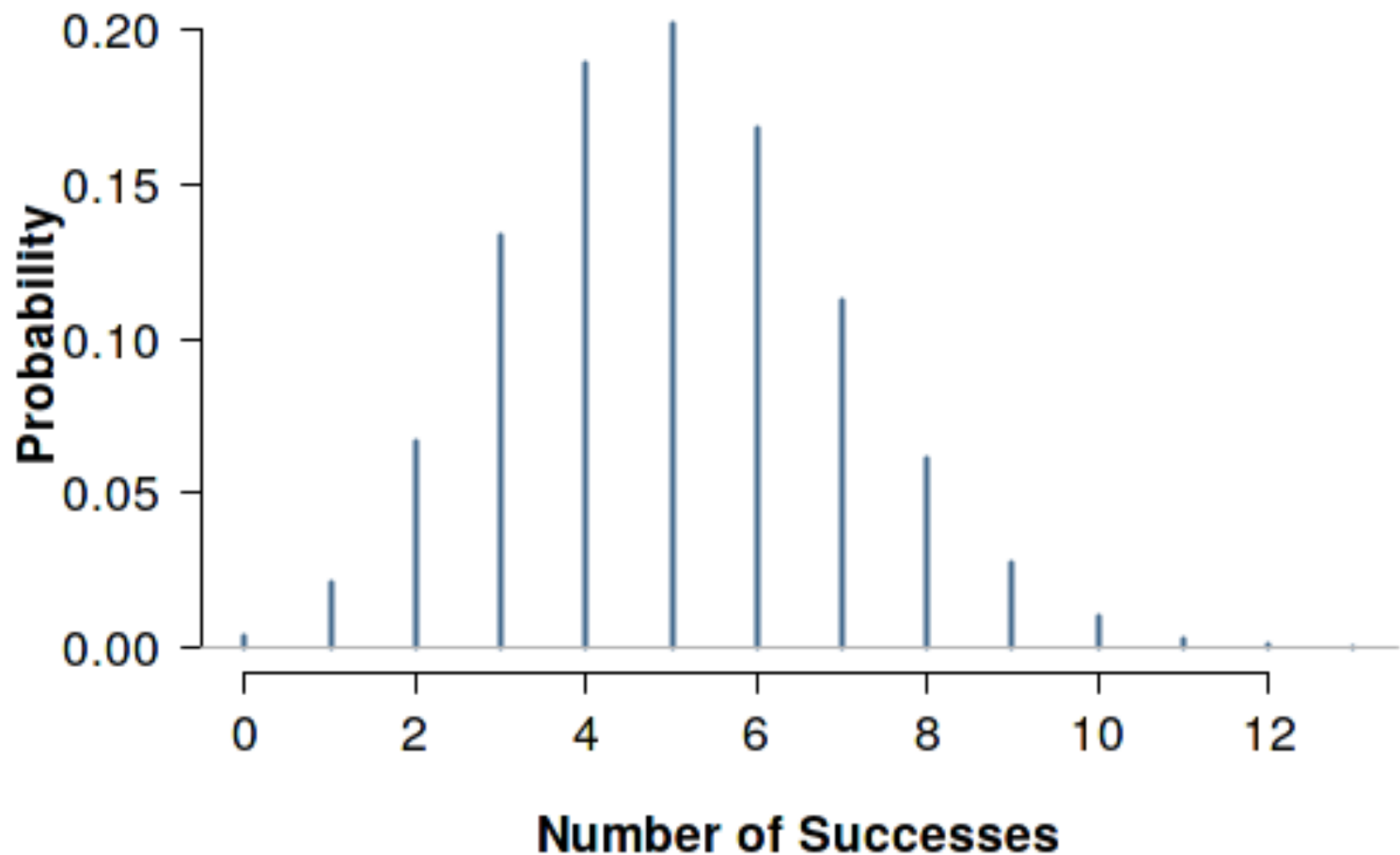
$n = 8$  ,  $p = 0.5$





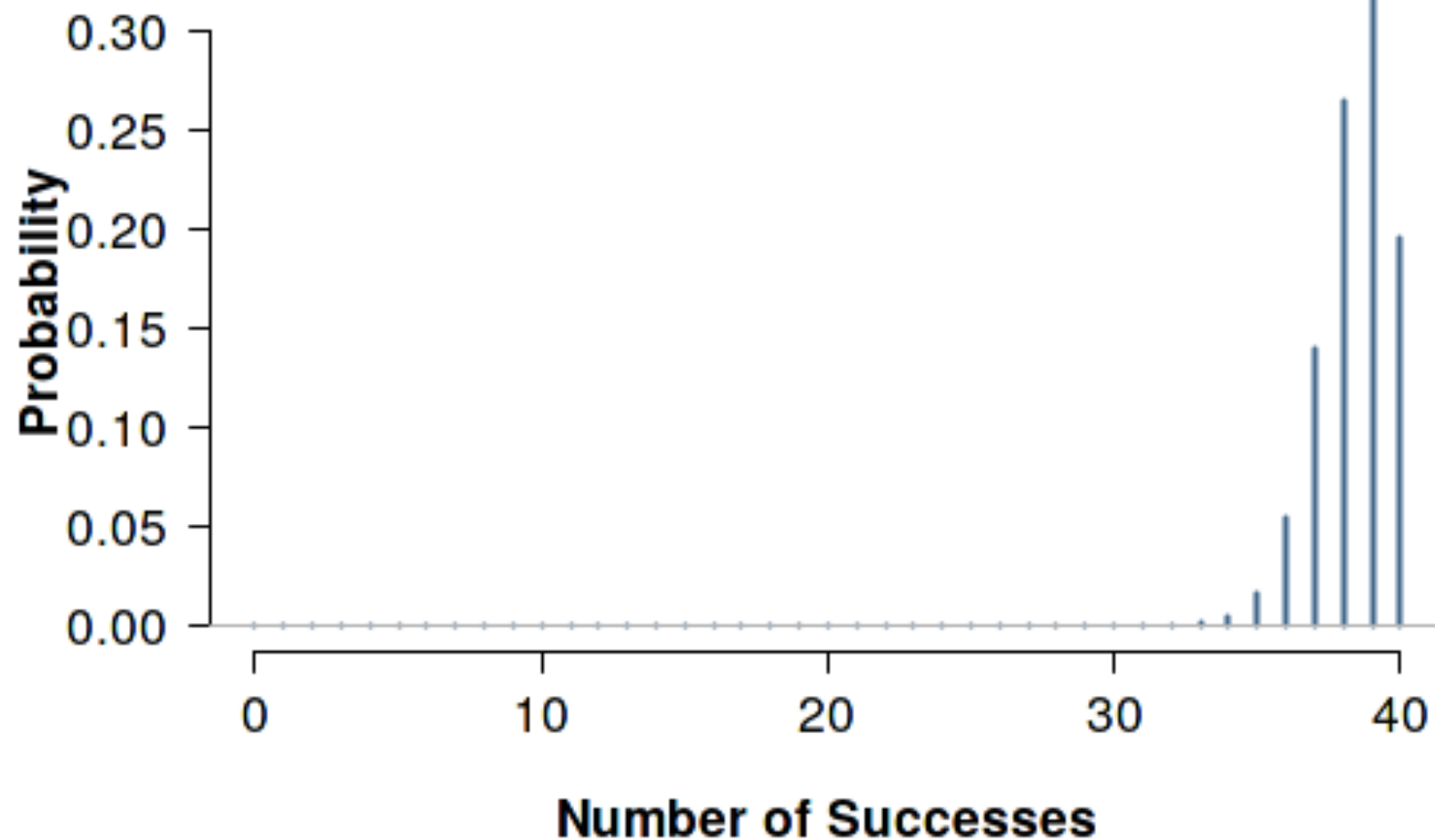
# Binomial Distribution

$n = 20$  ,  $p = 0.25$



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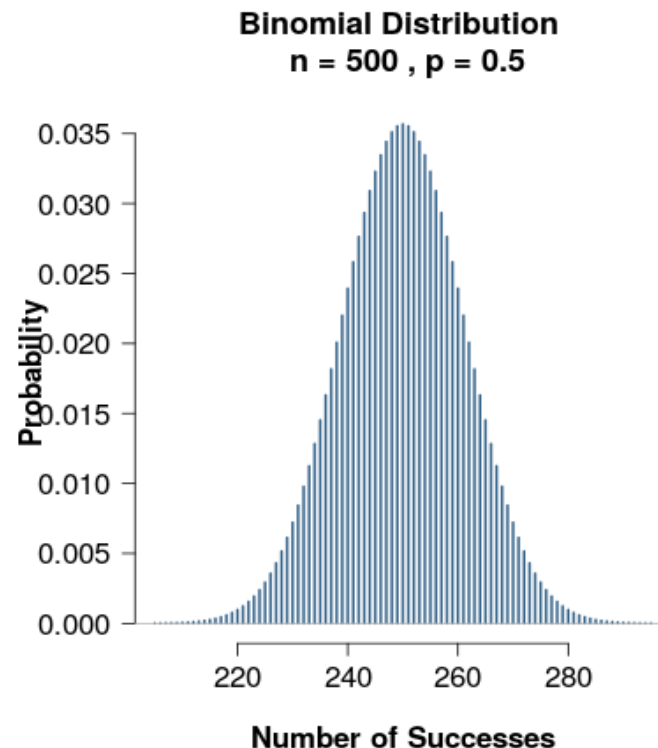
$n = 40$  ,  $p = 0.96$



# Binomial vs. Normal Distribution

- As  $N$  increases, binomial distribution approximates normal, z-distribution

<https://shiny.rit.albany.edu/stat/binomial/>



# Binomial Table

skew still represented in tables?

- We don't need to plot all outcomes, *there's a table for that!*
  - *Appendix D, Table B (pp. 595-599)*
- What is the probability of getting 16 heads out of 19 coin flips?  $p(16 \text{ heads})$ 
  - $N = 19$
  - $P = .50$
  - Answer = .0018

table B	Binomial distribution—cont'd
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# What is $p(5 \text{ or more heads})$ ?

$N = 7, P = .50$

table B Binomial distribution

N	No. of P or Q Events	P or Q									
		.05	.10	.15	.20	.25	.30	.35	.40	.45	.50
7	0	.6983	.4783	.3206	.2097	.1335	.0824	.0490	.0280	.0152	.0078
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	5	.0000	.0002	.0012	.0043	.0115	.0250	.0466	.0774	.1172	.1641
	6	.0000	.0000	.0001	.0004	.0013	.0036	.0084	.0172	.0320	.0547
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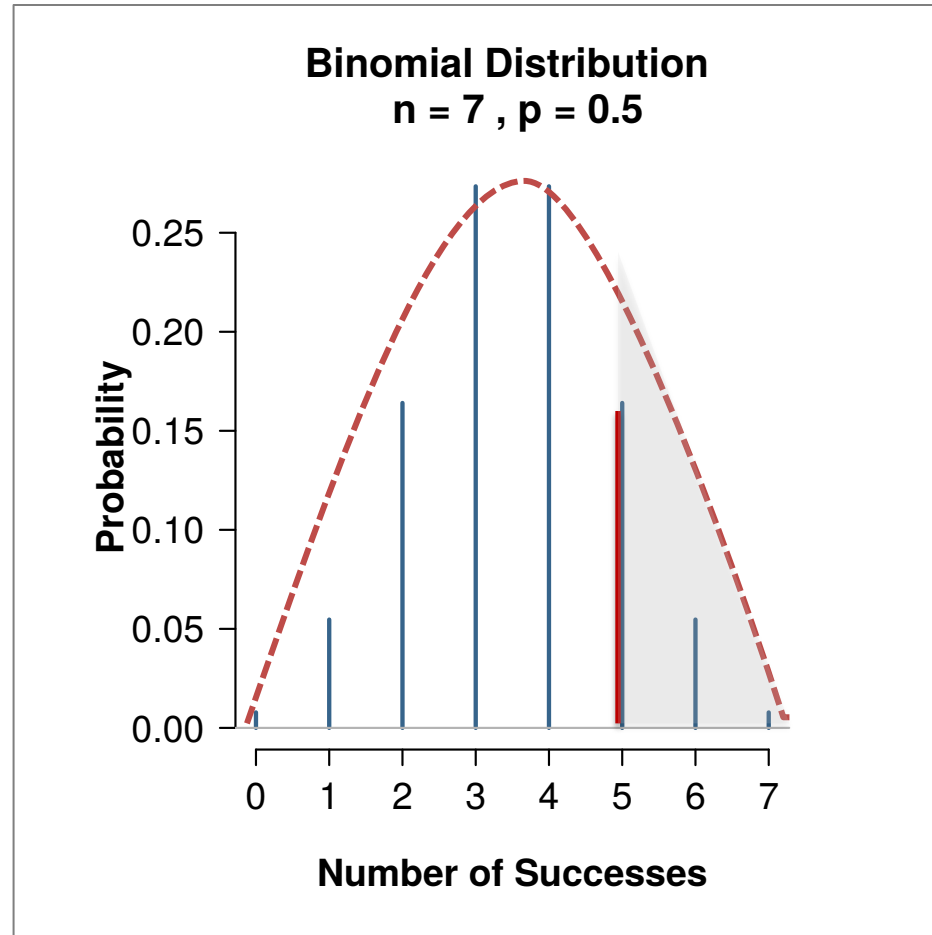
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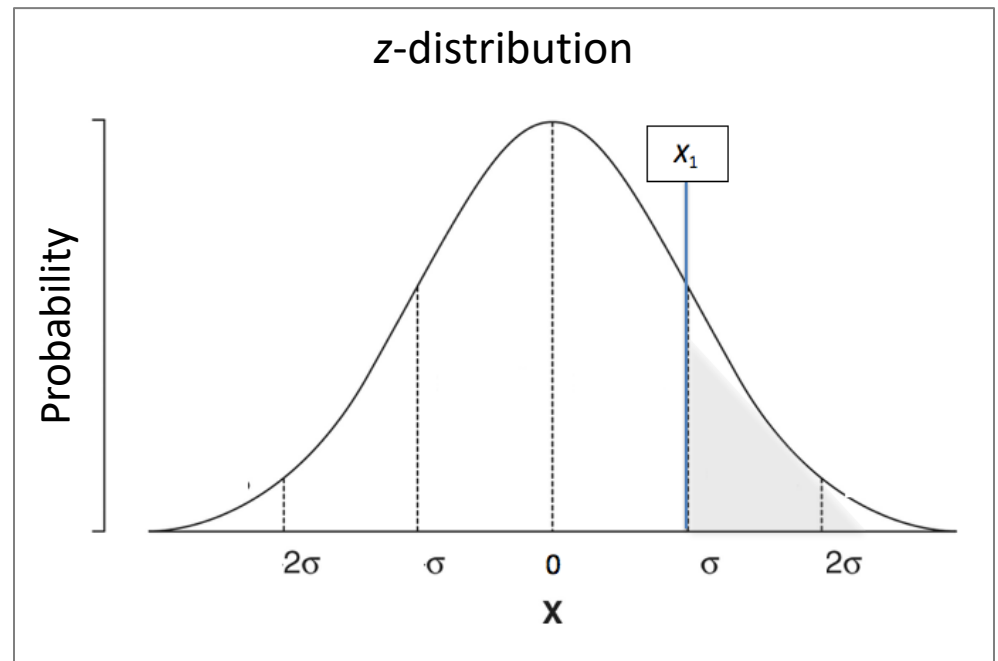
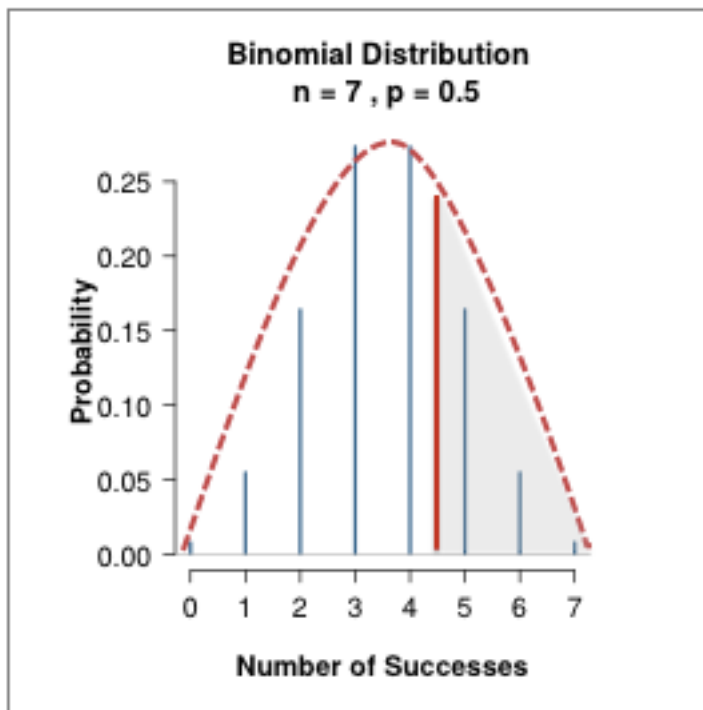


$p(5 \text{ or more}) = .1641 + .0547 + .0078 = .2266$   
.2266 is the area under the curve when,  $P \geq 5$



# Evaluating probability in the tail of the distribution

- What is the probability of 5 heads, or even more?  
Like 6 or 7 heads...or like being taller than 6'...



# Inference from Binomial Distribution: Experimental Example (De Obaldia, 2022)

- **Research Question:** Are mosquitoes attracted to certain people?
- **Method:** *Arm-in-Cage* test tournament!
- $N = 20$   $P(\text{bite} | X) = ??$



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# Results

- $X_{33}$  bites = 15
- $X_{28}$  bites = 5
  - $P_{\text{expectation}}(\text{bite } X_{33}) = .50$
  - $P_{\text{observed}}(\text{bite } X_{33}) = .75$
- How strange is this result, assuming our expected probability?

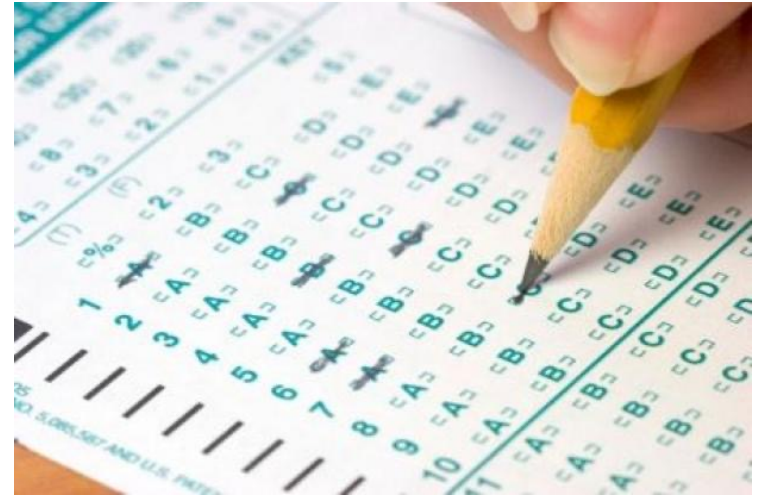
**p value for this result is .02, so is most likely that this result is not due to chance**
- $X_{25}$  bites = 12
- $X_{28}$  bites = 8

# Another example: Multiple choice

[dolphin taking scantron test]

	A	B	C	D	E
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*Does a multiple choice test meet these?*

***Not usually! We'll need to make a few assumptions***

# Will they pass?

Student needs at least 50% score

$p(>4.5 \text{ correct})$

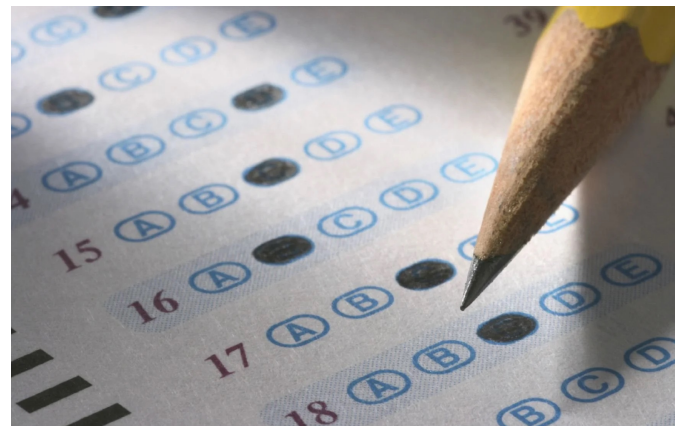
–  $N = 9$  questions

–  $P(\text{correct}) = .20$

- Choices a, b, c, d, & e

– Answer:  $p(5) + p(6) + p(7) + p(8) + p(9) =$

$$.0165 + .0028 + .0003 + .0000 + .0000 = \underline{.0196}$$



# Will they pass?

- Student needs at least 50% score
  - $N = 20$  questions
  - $P(\text{correct}) = .50$
  - Answer:  $p(10) + \dots p(20) = \underline{.5881}$

