

EXAMPLE 3-7. Consider a binomial distribution with $n = 8$ and $p = \frac{1}{2}$. The actual distribution function is

$$P(X \leq x) = \sum_{k \leq x} \binom{8}{k} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^k \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n-k},$$

and the normal approximation is

$$P(X \leq x) \doteq \Phi\left(\frac{x - 4}{\sqrt{2}}\right).$$

The graphs of these two functions are shown in Figure 3-1.

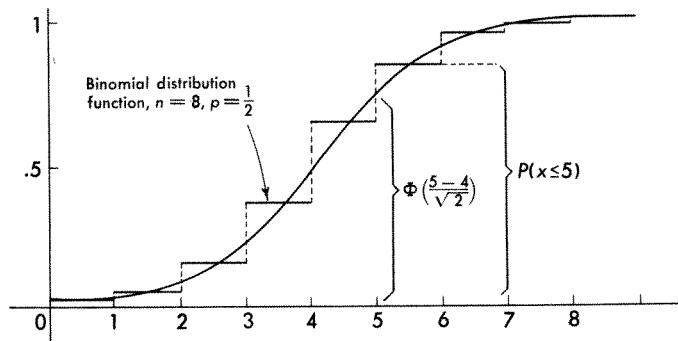


Figure 3-1

Lindgren (1976): Statistical Theory,
3. Imitos, s. 173,

Parempia approksimatio on

$$P(X \leq x) \doteq \Phi\left(\frac{x + \frac{1}{2} - 4}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$$

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$$P(X \leq k) \doteq \Phi\left(\frac{k + \frac{1}{2} - np}{\sqrt{npq}}\right).$$