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Normal approx. to Binomial dist

if $X \sim \text{Binom}(n, p)$

$$\mu_x = np$$

$$\sigma_x = \sqrt{np(1-p)}$$

$Y \sim \text{Norm}(np, \sqrt{np(1-p)})$ is a good approximation to X

$$P(X=k) \approx P(k-0.5 < Y < k+0.5)$$

$$P(X < k) \approx P(Y < k-0.5)$$

$$P(X \leq k) \approx P(Y < k+0.5)$$

Fair game CRVs:

Exp, Norm, Unif

All DRVs