

# Assignment1

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**Q 1.17** Determine  $P(E/F)$ , if two coins are tossed once, where

(i)  $E$  : tail appears on one coin,  $F$  : one coin shows head

(ii)  $E$  : no tail appears,  $F$  : no head appears

## **solution**

(i) Let  $X$  denotes the number of heads shown up during the simultaneous toss of two coins, so where  $i = 1, j = 2$   $n$  : number of coins = 2 and  $p$ : the probability of getting a head is  $\frac{1}{2}$

$$\begin{aligned}P(F) &= P(X \geq 1) \\&= P(X = i) + P(X = j)\end{aligned}$$

By binomial distribution

$$\begin{aligned}P(X = i) &= \binom{n}{i} p^i \\P(X = j) &= \binom{n}{j} p^j \\ \text{hence } P(F) &= \binom{n}{i} p^i + \binom{n}{j} p^j \\P(F) &= \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{3}{4} \\P(EF) &= P(X = i) = \binom{n}{i} p^i \\P(EF) &= \frac{1}{2} \\P(E/F) &= \frac{2}{3} \\ \text{(ii) } P(F) &= P(X = k) = \binom{n}{k} p^k, k = 2 \\&= \frac{1}{4} \\P(EF) &= 0 \\P(E/F) &= 0\end{aligned}$$