## NCERT: Class XII

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- 13.4.4 Find the probability distribution of
  - (i) number of heads in two tosses of a coin.
  - (ii) number of tails in the simultaneous tosses of three coins.
  - (iii) number of heads in four tosses of a coin.

## Solution:

Variable	Value	Description
n	$\{2, 3, 4\}$	Number of trails
p	$\frac{1}{2}$	Probability of getting a head
q	1-p	Probability of not getting a head
$x_1$	$\{0, 1, 2\}$	Number of heads in 2 tosses of a coin
$x_2$	$\{0, 1, 2, 3\}$	Number of tails in 3 tosses of a coin
$x_3$	$\{0, 1, 2, 3, 4\}$	Number of heads in 4 tosses of a coin

Table 13.4.0.2: Variable Description

(a) Number of heads in two tosses of a coin. By using binomial distribution

$$P_X(X_1) = {}^{n}C_{X_1}p^{X_1}q^{n-X_1}$$
(13.4.1.1)

$$F_X(X_1) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{4}, & \text{if } X_1 = 0\\ \frac{1}{2}, & \text{if } X_1 = 1\\ \frac{1}{4}, & \text{if } X_1 = 2 \end{cases}$$
 (13.4.1.2)

(b) Number of tails in the simultaneous tosses of three coins. By using binomial distribution

$$P_X(X_2) = {}^{n}C_{X_2}p^{X_2}q^{n-X_2}$$
(13.4.2.3)

$$F_X(X_2) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{8}, & \text{if } X_2 = 0\\ \frac{3}{8}, & \text{if } X_2 = 1\\ \frac{3}{8}, & \text{if } X_2 = 2\\ \frac{1}{8}, & \text{if } X_2 = 3 \end{cases}$$
 (13.4.2.4)

(c) Number of heads in four tosses of a coin. By using binomial distribution

$$P_X(X_3) = {}^{n}C_{X_3}p^{X_3}q^{n-X_3}$$
(13.4.3.5)

$$F_X(X_2) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{16}, & \text{if } X_3 = 0\\ \frac{4}{16}, & \text{if } X_3 = 1\\ \frac{6}{16}, & \text{if } X_3 = 2\\ \frac{4}{16}, & \text{if } X_3 = 3\\ \frac{1}{16}, & \text{if } X_3 = 4 \end{cases}$$
 (13.4.3.6)