

Question 10.13.3.25

A coin is tossed 3 times. List the possible outcomes. Find the probability of getting (i) all heads (ii) at least 2 heads

solution: As the coin is tossed 3 times we will get 8 different outcomes.

The list of possible outcomes is HHH,HHT,HTH,THH,HTT,THT,TTH,TTT.

The sample space is $n(S) = 8$.

(i) all heads

$$\begin{aligned}\Pr(\text{all heads}) &= \frac{\text{getting all three as heads}}{\text{number of total outcomes}} & (1) \\ &= \frac{1}{8} & (2)\end{aligned}$$

(ii) at least 2 heads

$$\begin{aligned}\Pr(\text{atleast 2 heads}) &= \frac{\text{getting 2 or more heads}}{\text{number of total outcome}} & (3) \\ &= \frac{4}{8} & (4) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} & (5)\end{aligned}$$