NCERT Assignment

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Three unbiased coins were tossed. Provided that at least two outcomes are tails, the probability of having all three outcomes as tails is

Solution:

Parameter	Values	Description
X	0,1,2,3	No.of Tails.
TABLE 0		

Definition of X and parameters.

$$p_X(k) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{8} & k = 0\\ \frac{3}{8} & k = 1\\ \frac{3}{8} & k = 2\\ \frac{1}{8} & k = 3 \end{cases}$$
 (1)

$$F_X(k) = \Pr(X \le k) \tag{2}$$

$$=\sum_{k=0}^{k}p_X(k)\tag{3}$$

$$\implies F_X(k) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{8} & k = 0\\ \frac{1}{2} & k = 1\\ \frac{7}{8} & k = 2\\ 1 & k = 3 \end{cases}$$
 (4)

$$Pr(X \ge k) = 1 - F_X(k-1)$$
 (5)

$$\implies \Pr(X \ge 2) = 1 - F_X(1) \tag{6}$$

$$=1-\frac{1}{2}$$
 (7)

$$=\frac{1}{2}\tag{8}$$

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 (8)

$$Pr(X = 3|X \ge 2) = \frac{Pr(X \ge 2 & X = 3)}{Pr(X \ge 2)}$$
 (9)

$$= \frac{\Pr(X=3)}{\Pr(X\geq 2)} \tag{10}$$

$$=\frac{\left(\frac{1}{8}\right)}{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)}\tag{11}$$

$$=\frac{1}{4}\tag{12}$$

... The probability of having all three outcomes as tails is 0.25.