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 1: Definition of X and parameters.

$$p_X(k) = \frac{{}^3C_k}{8} \tag{1}$$

$$F_X(k) = \Pr(X \le k)$$
 (2)

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

$$\implies F_X(k) = \sum_{k=0}^k \frac{{}^3C_k}{8} \tag{4}$$

$$Pr(X \ge k) = 1 - F_X(k-1)$$
 (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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$$Pr(X = 3|X \ge 2) = \frac{Pr(X \ge 2 & X = 3)}{Pr(X \ge 2)}$$

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(10)

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

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

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

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