

Quiz # 21

Name: Key*You must show your work to get full credit.*

A coin is flipped three times and the outcome of each flip is either a head, H , or a tail, T . The sample space, that is the list of all possible outcomes, of this experiment is

$$S = \{HHH, HHT, HTH, HTT, THH, THT, TTH, TTT\}.$$

Assuming all outcomes are equally likely

1. What is the probability that there is exactly one head?

Favorable outcomes

Probability is

$$\frac{3}{8}$$

$$= \{HTT, THT, TTH\}$$

$$\text{Prob} = \frac{\# \text{ of favorable}}{\text{total \#}} = \frac{3}{8}$$

2. What is the probability there are exactly two tails?

Favorable outcomes

Probability is

$$\frac{3}{8}$$

$$= \{HTT, THT, TTH\}$$

$$\text{Prob} = \frac{3}{8}$$

3. What is the probability there are more heads than tails?

Favorable outcomes

Probability is

$$\frac{1}{2}$$

$$= \{HHH, HHT, HTH, THH\}$$

$$\text{Prob} = \frac{\# \text{ favorable}}{\text{total number}} = \frac{4}{8} = \frac{1}{2}$$