

Permutation and Combination - Class XI

Past Year JEE Questions

Questions

Question: 01

Statement - 1: The number of ways of distributing 10 identical balls in 4 distinct boxes such that no box is empty is 9C_3 .

Statement - 2: The number of ways of choosing any 3 places from 9 different places is 9C_3 .

A. Statement - 1 is true, Statement - 2 is true, Statement - 2 is not a correct explanation for Statement - 1.

B. Statement - 1 is true, Statement - 2 is false.

C. Statement - 1 is false, Statement - 2 is true.

D. Statement - 1 is true, Statement - 2 is true, Statement - 2 is a correct explanation for Statement - 1.

Solutions

Solution: 01

Explanation

Let X_A , X_B , X_C and X_D represent number of balls present in box A, B, C and D respectively.

As no box can be empty so,

$$X_A \geq 1, X_B \geq 1, X_C \geq 1 \text{ and } X_D \geq 1$$

$$\Rightarrow X_A - 1 \geq 0, \Rightarrow X_B - 1 \geq 0, \Rightarrow X_C - 1 \geq 0 \text{ and } \Rightarrow X_D - 1 \geq 0$$

$$t_A \geq 0, t_B \geq 0, t_C \geq 0 \text{ and } t_D \geq 0$$

According to the question,

$$X_A + X_B + X_C + X_D = 10$$

$$\Rightarrow (X_A - 1) + (X_B - 1) + (X_C - 1) + (X_D - 1) = 6$$

$$\Rightarrow t_A + t_B + t_C + t_D = 6$$

Now question becomes, box A, B, C, and D can have none or one or more balls and total balls are 6

From formula we know, n things can be distributed among r people in ${}^{n+r-1}C_{r-1}$ ways where each people can have either 0 or more things.

\therefore 6 balls can be distributed among 4 boxes in ${}^{6+4-1}C_{4-1} = {}^9C_3$ ways where each box can have either 0 or more balls.

Therefore, Statement 1 is correct. The number of ways of choosing any 3 places from 9 different places is 9C_3 ways. But Statement - 2 is not the correct explanation of Statement - 1.