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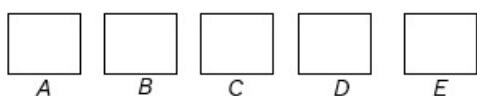
Questions

Question: 01

10 identical balls are to be distributed in 5 different boxes kept in a row and labelled A, B, C, D and E. Find the number of ways in which the balls can be distributed in the boxes if no two adjacent boxes remain empty.

Solutions

Solution: 01



Case I: No box empty

Put 1 balls in each box first

$$x_A + x_B + x_C + x_D + x_E = 10 - 5$$

$$\text{Number of non-negative integral solution} = {}^{5+5-1}C_{5-1}$$

$$= {}^9C_4 = 126$$

Case II: Select any 1 box to be empty in 5C_1 ways

Remaining box, put 1 ball in each

$$x_B + x_C + x_D + x_E = 10 - 4 = 6$$

\therefore Number of non-negative integral solution

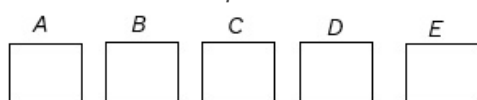
$$= {}^{6+4-1}C_{4-1}$$

$$= {}^9C_3$$

$$\therefore \text{Number of ways} = {}^5C_1 \times {}^9C_3$$

$$= 5 \times \frac{9 \times 8 \times 7}{6} = 420$$

Case III: 2 box empties



Select any two boxes out of 5 in 5C_2 ways.

Number of ways to select two adjacent boxes = 4

Put 1 ball in each remaining box [to be filled]

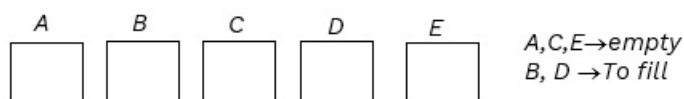
$$\therefore x_B + x_D + x_E = 10 - 3 = 7$$

$$\text{Number of non-negative integral solution} = {}^{7+3-1}C_{3-1}$$

$$\therefore \text{number of ways} = ({}^5C_2 - 4) {}^9C_2$$

$$= 216$$

Case IV: 3 boxes empty : Only one case



Put 1 ball in B and D

$$x_B + x_D = 10 - 2$$

$$\text{number of non-negative integral solutions} = {}^{8+2-1}C_{2-1}$$

$$= {}^9C_1 = 9$$

$$\text{Number of ways} = 1 \times 9 = 9$$

$$\text{Total number of ways} = 126 + 420 + 216 + 9$$

$$= 771$$

Correct Options

Answer:01

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