Assignment

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Question: A box contains 3 orange balls, 3 green balls and 2 blue balls. Three balls are drawn at random from the box without replacement. The probability of drawing 2 green balls and one blue ball is

- 1) $\frac{3}{8}$
- 2) $\frac{2}{21}$
- 3) $\frac{1}{28}$
- 4) $\frac{167}{168}$

Solution:

Let,

$$N = O + G + B \tag{1}$$

$$n = o + g + b \tag{2}$$

where O,G,B and o,g,b represents the number of Orange, Green and Blue balls respectively within N, n. Then

$$\Pr(o, g, b) = \frac{{}^{O}C_{o}{}^{G}C_{g}{}^{B}C_{b}}{{}^{O+G+B}C_{o+g+b}}$$
(3)

So, Probability of 2 Green and 1 blue ball,

$$Pr(0,2,1) = \frac{{}^{3}C_{0}{}^{3}C_{2}{}^{2}C_{1}}{{}^{8}C_{3}}$$
 (4)

$$=\frac{3}{8}\tag{5}$$

:. Option (1) is correct.

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