

Assignment 1

NCERT Exemplar

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One ticket is drawn at random from a bag containing tickets numbered 1 to 40. The probability that the selected ticket has a number which is a multiple of 5 is (a) $\frac{1}{5}$ (b) $\frac{3}{5}$ (c) $\frac{4}{5}$ (d) $\frac{1}{3}$

Solution:

Let X_i be the sequence of independent Bernoulli random variables defined as:

$$X_i = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if the number is a multiple of 5} \\ 0, & \text{if the number is not a multiple of 5} \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

There are a total of 8 numbers which are multiples of 5 in the range from 1 to 40. Therefore, the probability of selecting a number that is a multiple of 5 is calculated as:

$$p_X(1) = \frac{8}{40} \quad (2)$$

$$= \frac{1}{5} \quad (3)$$