Answer on Question #57372 - Math - Statistics and Probability

Question

During summer vacations Tanuja wants to visit three cities, Kolkata, Bhubneshvar and Chennai randomly. Find the probability that she will visit,

- 1) Bhubneshvar before Chennai
- 2) Bhubneshvar just before Kolkata

Solution

There are 6 possible different cases:

- 1. Kolkata, Bhubneshvar, Chennai.
- 2. Kolkata, Chennai, Bhubneshvar.
- 3. Bhubneshvar, Kolkata, Chennai.
- 4. Bhubneshvar, Chennai, Kolkata.
- 5. Chennai, Kolkata, Bhubneshvar.
- 6. Chennai, Bhubneshvar, Kolkata.
- 1) The probability that Tanuja will visit Bhubneshvar before Chennai (corresponds to 1, 3 and 4 cases) is equal to 3/6=1/2=0.5.
- 2) The probability that Tanuja will visit Bhubneshvar just before Kolkata (corresponds to 3, 6 cases) is equal to $2/6=1/3\approx0.33$.

Answer: 1) 1/2; **2)** 1/3.