Assignment 2

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10.15.2.4:A box contains 12 balls out of which x are black. If one ball is drawn at random from the box, what is the probability that it will be a black ball? If 6 more black balls are put in the box, the probability of drawing a black ball is now double of what it was before. Find x.

Solution:

Let X_1 be a random variable that take values 0 and 1 before 6 more black ball added.

Let X_2 be a random variable that take values 0 and 1 after 6 more black ball added.

Value	Description
1	Selected ball is black
0	otherwise
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0	otherwise
	1 0 1 0

RANDOM VARIABLE DECRIPTION

According to the Question,

$$Pr(X_2 = 1) = 2(Pr(X_1 = 1))$$
 (5)

$$\frac{x+6}{18} = 2\left(\frac{x}{12}\right) \tag{6}$$

1

$$\frac{x+6}{18} = \frac{x}{6} \tag{7}$$

$$6(x+6) = 18x (8)$$

$$6x + 36 = 18x \tag{9}$$

$$36 = 12x \tag{10}$$

$$x = 3 \tag{11}$$

 \therefore The value of x is 3.

Now

$$Pr(X_1 = 1) = \frac{\text{Total black balls}}{\text{Total balls}}$$

$$= \frac{x}{12}$$
(2)

$$Pr(X_2 = 1) = \frac{\text{Total black balls}}{\text{Total balls}}$$

$$= \frac{x+6}{18}$$
(4)