PROBABILITY

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13.1.11 Two groups are competing for the position on the Board of directors of a corporation. The probabilities that the first and the second groups will win are 0.6 and 0.4 respectively. Further, if the first group wins, the probability of introducing a new product is 0.7 and the corresponding probability is 0.3 if the second group wins. Find the probability that the new product introduced was by the second group

Solution:

RV	Values	Description	
X	{1,2}	1:Group1 ,2:Group2	
Y	{0,1}	0:New product not introduced ,1:New product introduced	

Table 2: Random variables(RV) X,Y

Event	Probability	Description
Pr (1)	0.6	First group winning
Pr (2)	0.4	Second group winning
Pr (1 1)	0.7	Introducing 1 if 1 wins
Pr (1 2)	0.3	Introducing 1 if 2 wins

Table 4: Probabilities

$$Pr(2 \mid 1) = \frac{Pr(2) Pr(1 \mid 2)}{Pr(1) Pr(1 \mid 1) + Pr(2) Pr(1 \mid 2)}$$
(13.1.11.1)

$$=\frac{(0.4)(0.3)}{(0.6)(0.7) + 0.4(0.3)}\tag{13.1.11.2}$$

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$$= \frac{2}{9}$$
(13.1.11.2)

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