

Internship preliminary solution

Ans :-

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Step 2: Possible Pool Standings

Given that the probability of the WR top ten teams maintaining the order relations is 0.6, we can determine the probability for different pool outcomes.

Pool A:

- The order relation probability: France > New Zealand (0.6)
- The reverse order (New Zealand > France): 0.4

Pool B:

- The order relation probability: Ireland > South Africa (0.6)
- The reverse order (South Africa > Ireland): 0.4

Pools C and D:

For the given problem, the specific outcomes of Pools C and D don't directly affect the quarter-finals of interest (NZ vs. Ireland and France vs. South Africa).

Step 3: Quarter-Final Matchups

For the desired quarter-final matchups:

- New Zealand must either be 1st in Pool A, and Ireland 2nd in Pool B, or vice versa.
- France must either be 1st in Pool A, and South Africa 2nd in Pool B, or vice versa.

The following cases lead to the desired quarter-final matchups:

1. **Case 1:**
 - Pool A: France 1st, New Zealand 2nd
 - Pool B: Ireland 1st, South Africa 2nd
2. Matchups:
 - QF2: France vs. South Africa
 - QF4: Ireland vs. New Zealand
3. **Case 2:**
 - Pool A: New Zealand 1st, France 2nd
 - Pool B: South Africa 1st, Ireland 2nd
4. Matchups:
 - QF2: South Africa vs. France
 - QF4: New Zealand vs. Ireland

Step 4: Probability Calculation

- **Case 1 Probability:**
 - Pool A: France 1st, New Zealand 2nd (Probability = 0.6)

- Pool B: Ireland 1st, South Africa 2nd (Probability = 0.6)
- Combined Probability for Case 1 = $0.6 \times 0.6 = 0.36$
- **Case 2 Probability:**
 - Pool A: New Zealand 1st, France 2nd (Probability = 0.4)
 - Pool B: South Africa 1st, Ireland 2nd (Probability = 0.4)
- Combined Probability for Case 2 = $0.4 \times 0.4 = 0.16$

Step 5: Total Probability

Since either Case 1 or Case 2 would satisfy the desired quarter-final matchups, we sum their probabilities:

Total Probability = $0.36 + 0.16 = 0.52$ \text{Total Probability} = 0.36 + 0.16 = 0.52
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Final Answer:

The probability that two of the quarter-finals involved New Zealand playing against Ireland and France playing against South Africa is 0.52 or 52%.