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Assignment 4

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Question: A box contains 5 red marbles, 8 white marbles and 4 green marbles. One marble is taken out of the box at random. What is the probability that the marble taken out will be:

- (i) Red?
- (ii) White?
- (iii) Not Green?

Solution:

Colour	No. of Marbles
Red	5
White	8
Green	4
Total	17

TABLE I: Distribution of Ball wrt Colour

Let's denote the outcome of the experiment by a random variable *X* such that:

Event	Description
X = 0	Marble is Red
X = 1	Marble is White
X = 2	Marble is Green

TABLE II: Description of Events

(i) X = 0 denotes the marble is red.

$$\Pr(X = 0) = \frac{5}{17} \tag{1}$$

 $= \boxed{0.294} \tag{2}$

(ii) X = 1 denotes the marble is white.

$$Pr(X = 1) = \frac{8}{17}$$

$$= \boxed{0.471}$$
(3)

(iii) $X \neq 2$ denotes the marble is not green, that is, $X \in \{0, 1\}$. Thus, the marble is either white or red.

$$Pr(X \neq 2) = Pr(X \in \{0, 1\})$$
 (5)

$$= \Pr(X = 0) + \Pr(X = 1)$$
 (6)

$$=\frac{5+8}{17}$$
 (7)

$$= 0.765 \tag{8}$$

Output of the program used to verify whether the solution is correct:

vishal@WINDOWS-PC:/mmt/d/WSL/AI1110-Assignments/Assignment-4/code\$ python3 main.py
Probability of Marble being Red is 0.294
Probability of Marble being White is 0.471
Probability of Marble being not Green is 0.765

Fig. 1: Output of the Program