Assignment-1 (10.15.1.9)

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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:

Number of red marbles = 5

Number of white marbles = 8

Number of green marbles = 4

Total marbles = 5+8+4 = 17

(i) Probability that the marble taken out is red

$$= \frac{\text{Number of red marbles}}{\text{Total number of marbles}}$$
 (1)

Probability that the marble taken out is red

$$=\frac{5}{17}\tag{2}$$

(ii) Probability that the marble taken out is white

$$= \frac{\text{Number of white marbles}}{\text{Total number of marbles}}$$
 (3)

Probability that the marble taken out is white

$$=\frac{8}{17}\tag{4}$$

(iii) Probability that the marble taken out is not green

$$= \frac{\text{Number of non green marbles}}{\text{Total number of marbles}}$$
 (5)

Probability that the marble taken out is not green

$$=\frac{13}{17}$$
 (6)