

11. More on While and Boolean-Valued Functions

Topics:

Reasoning about While Loops
Designing Boolean-Valued Functions

Four Examples

1. Random Walk
2. Fibonacci numbers and the Golden Ratio
3. A Spiral Problem
4. Detecting streaks in a coin toss sequence

Random Walk

Random Walk



Tiles 1x1

Middle tile has center (0,0)

Robot starts at center tile

Hops according to coin flip

Heads: Hop left

Tails: Hop right

Simulation over when robot hops off runway

Random Walk

```
from random import randint as randi
x = 0
while abs(x) <= 5:
    r = randi(1,2)
    if r == 1:
        x = x+1
    else:
        x = x-1
```

Random Walk



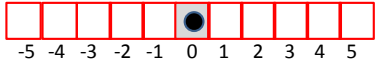
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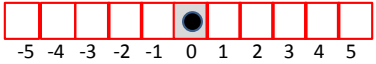
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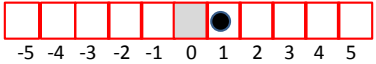
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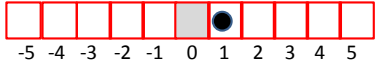
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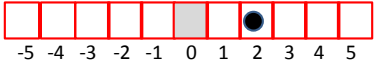
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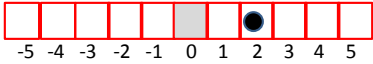
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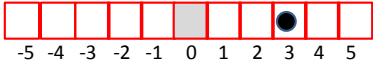
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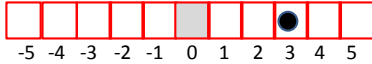
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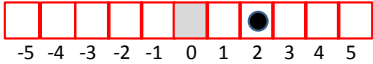
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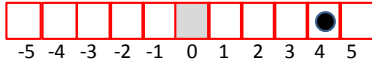
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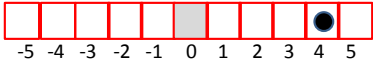
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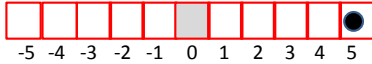
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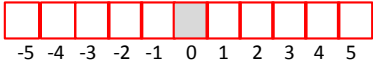
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2. Fibonacci Numbers and the Golden Ratio

Fibonacci Numbers and the Golden Ratio

Here are the first 12 Fibonacci Numbers

0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, 34, 55, 89, 144

The Fibonacci ratios 1/1, 2/1, 3/2, 5/3, 8/5 get closer and closer to the "golden ratio"

$$\phi = (1 + \sqrt{5})/2$$

Fibonacci Ratios 2/1, 3/2, 5/3, 8/5



Generating Fibonacci Numbers

Here are the first 12 Fibonacci Numbers

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↑ Starting here, each one is the sum of its two predecessors

Generating Fibonacci Numbers

0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, 34, 55, 89, 144

k --> 0
x --> 0
y --> 1
z -->

```
x = 0
y = 1
for k in range(10):
    z = x+y
    x = y
    y = z
```

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↑

k --> 1
 x --> 1
 y --> 1
 z --> 1

```
x = 0
y = 1
for k in range(10):
    z = x+y
    x = y
    y = z
```

Generating Fibonacci Numbers

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↑

k --> 1
 x --> 1
 y --> 2
 z --> 2

```
x = 0
y = 1
for k in range(10):
    z = x+y
    x = y
    y = z
```

Generating Fibonacci Numbers

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↑

k --> 2
 x --> 1
 y --> 2
 z --> 2

```
x = 0
y = 1
for k in range(10):
    z = x+y
    x = y
    y = z
```

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↑

k --> 2
 x --> 2
 y --> 3
 z --> 3

```
x = 0
y = 1
for k in range(10):
    z = x+y
    x = y
    y = z
```

Generating Fibonacci Numbers

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↑

k --> 3
 x --> 2
 y --> 3
 z --> 3

```
x = 0
y = 1
for k in range(10):
    z = x+y
    x = y
    y = z
```

Generating Fibonacci Numbers

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↑

k --> 3
 x --> 3
 y --> 5
 z --> 5

```
x = 0
y = 1
for k in range(10):
    z = x+y
    x = y
    y = z
```

Generating Fibonacci Numbers

```
x = 0
print x
y = 1
print y
for k in range(6):
    z = x+y
    x = y
    y = z
    print z
```

```
0
1
1
2
3
5
8
13
```

Generating Fibonacci Numbers

```
x = 0
print x
y = 1
print y
for k in range(6):
    z = x+y
    x = y
    y = z
    print z
```

```
x = 0
print x
y = 1
print y
k = 0
while k<6:
    z = x+y
    x = y
    y = z
    print z
    k = k+1
```

Print First Fibonacci Number >= 1000000

```
x = 0
y = 1
z = x + y
while y < 1000000:
    x = y
    y = z
    z = x + y
    print y
```

Print First Fibonacci Number >= 1000000

```
past = 0
current = 1
next = past + current
while current < 1000000:
    past = current
    current = next
    next = past + current
    print current
```

```
1346269
```

Print First Fibonacci Number >= 1000000

```
past = 0
current = 1
next = past + current
while current < 1000000:
    past = current
    current = next
    next = past + current
    print current
```

Reasoning. When the while loop terminates, it will be the first time that `current >= 1000000` is true. By print out `current` we see the first fib >= million

Print Largest Fibonacci Number < 1000000

```
past = 0
current = 1
next = past + current
while next <= 1000000:
    past = current
    current = next
    next = past + current
    print current
```

```
832040
```


Print Largest Fibonacci Number < 1000000

```

past = 0
current = 1
next = past + current
while next < 1000000:
    past = current
    current = next
    next = past + current
print current

```

Reasoning. When the while loop terminates, it will be the first time that $\text{next} \geq 1000000$ is true. Current has to be < 1000000. And it is the largest fib with this property

Fibonacci Ratios

```

past = 0
current = 1
next = past + current
while next <= 1000000:
    past = current
    current = next
    next = past + current
print next/current

```

```

1.000000000000
2.000000000000
1.500000000000
1.666666666667
1.600000000000
1.625000000000
1.615384615385
1.619047619048
1.617647058824
1.618181818182
1.617977528090
1.618055555556
1.618025751073
1.618037135279
1.618032786885
:

```

Heading towards the Golden ratio = $(1+\sqrt{5})/2$ →

Fibonacci Ratios

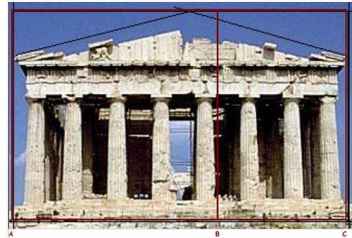
```

past = 0
current = 1
next = past + current
k = 1
phi = (1+math.sqrt(5))/2
while abs(next/current - phi) > 10**-9:
    past = current
    current = next
    next = past + current
    k = k+1
print k, next/current

```

23 1.618033988749

Most Pleasing Rectangle



1

$(1+\sqrt{5})/2$

3. A Spiral Problem

A Spiral Problem

Recall:

`DrawSpiral(N, t, c1, c2, c3)`

draws a spiral and

`SpiralRadius(N, t)`

computes its radius.

The Gist of SpiralRadius

```
xc = 0; yc = 0; r = 0
for k in range(N):
    theta = (k*t)*math.pi/180
    L = k+1
    # (xc,yc) = end of the kth edge
    xc = xc + L*math.cos(theta)
    yc = yc + L*math.sin(theta)
    dist = math.sqrt(xc**2+yc**2)
    r = max(r,dist)
return r
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The Heading

For the k-th edge, here is the heading in radians:

```
theta = (k*t)*math.pi/180
```

t is the turn angle in degrees

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    r = max(r,d)
return r
```

The Ending Endpoint

Before: (xc,yc) is where the kth edge starts

```
xc = xc + L*math.cos(theta)
yc = yc + L*math.sin(theta)
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After: (xc,yc) is where the kth edge ends

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return r
```

Computing the max Distance

Is the end of the kth edge further away from (0,0) than all previous endpoints?

```
dist = math.sqrt(xc**2+yc**2)
r = max(r,d)
```

```
dist = math.sqrt(xc**2+yc**2)
if dist > r:
    r = dist
```

A Reverse Problem

Given the turn angle t and a radius r , what is the largest N so that

```
DrawSpiral(N,t,c1,c2,c3)
```

fits inside the circle

$$x^2 + y^2 = r^2$$

Example

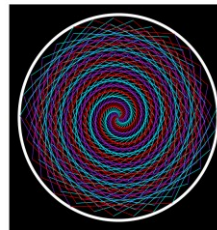


The circle has radius $r = 500$.

```
DrawSpiral(513,62,...)
```

just fits inside

Example



The circle has radius $r = 500$.

```
DrawSpiral(856,162,...)
```

just fits inside

Let's Design a Function that Returns This Integer



```
t = turn angle
r = radius
N = max number edges so spiral radius <= r
```

The Body of nEdges

```
k = 0 # Index of current edge
Compute endpoint distance to (0,0)
while endpoint inside circle
    k = k+1
    Compute endpoint dist to (0,0)
N = k
return N
```

```

k = 0
xc = 1
yc = 0
d = math.sqrt(xc**2 + yc**2)
while d<=r:
    k = k+1
    theta = (k*t)*math.pi/180
    xc = xc + (k+1)*math.cos(theta)
    yc = yc + (k+1)*math.sin(theta)
    d = math.sqrt(xc**2 + yc**2)
return k-1

```

4. Streaks in a Coin Toss Sequence

Coin Toss Strings

S is a coin toss string if it is made up of H's and T

```
s = 'HHTHTTHTHTHTTT'
```

Streaks

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s[0:2] a length-2 streak

Streaks

```
s = 'HHTHTTHTHTHTTT'
```

s[4:7] a length-3 streak

Streaks

```
s = 'HHTHTTHTHTHTTTT'
```

s[12:17] a length-5 streak

Streak Definition

`s[k:k+n]` is a length-`n` streak if

- (1) `k+n <= len(s)`
- and
- (2) It is either all T's or all H's
- and
- (3) If there is a character before `s[k]`, it is different from `s[k]`.
- and
- (4) If there is a character after `s[k+n]`, it is different from `s[k+n]`.

Streaks

```
s = 'HHTHTTTHHTHHHTTTT'
```

`s[5:7]` is NOT a length-2 streak

Rule 3: If there is a character before `s[k]`, it is different from `s[k]`.

isStreak(s, k, n)

```
t = s[k:k+n]
if k+n > len(s):
    return False
elif t.count('H') < n and t.count('T') < n:
    return False
elif k > 0 and (s[k-1] == s[k]):
    return False
elif (k+n < len(s)) and (s[k+n-1] == s[k+n]):
    return False
else:
    return True
```

A function can have more than one return

Using isStreak to Find Streaks

```
s = 'HHTHTTTHHTHHHTTTT'
```

```
k    isStreak(s, k, 3)
```

```
0    False
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2    False
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```
-----
0     False
1     False
2     False
3     False
4     True
```

Using `isStreak` to Find Streaks

```
def FindStreak(s,n):
    k=0
    while k<len(s) and (not isStreak(s,k,n)):
        # s[k:k+n] is not a streak
        k = k+1
    if k<len(s):
        # isStreak(s,k,n) is True
        return k
    else:
        # k==len(s) is True
        return -1
```