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19IT103 – COMPUTATIONAL THINKING AND PYTHON PROGRAMMING

A readable, dynamic, pleasant, flexible, fast and powerful language

Recap:

1. Find a minimum in a list :

- One way is to sort the list of elements in ascending order and get the first element as minimum.
- Another method is to compare each element with other.
 - As an initial step, first element of the list is considered as minimum element.
 - And in each iteration, each element in the list is compared with the minimum.
 - If the element in the list is less than the minimum then swap both elements else compare with the next element in the list.
 - These steps are continued until the end of the list and finally print the minimum.

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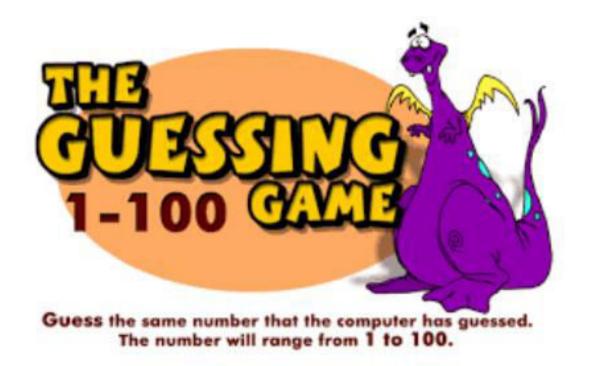
2. insert a card in a list of sorted cards :

- Start with an empty left hand and cards face down on the table.
- Then remove one card at a time from the table and Insert it into the correct position in the left hand.
- To find a correct position for a card, we compare it with each of the cards already in the hand from left to right.
- Once the position is found, the cards from that position are moved to the next higher indexed position and in that order.
- New card is inserted at the current position.

1.9 Illustrative problems:

• Guess an integer number in a range

• Tower of Hanoi



Problem Statement:

- Shankar and Vijay are playing a game of integers.
- Shankar chooses an integer of his choice in his mind.
- It can be any integer value within the range of 1 to 100.
- Now, Vijay had to find that integer through some guesses.



Problem Statement:

Shankar can provides 3 hints to Vijay, each hint can be one of the below types:

- Type 1 : Guess is Low
- Type 2 : Guess is High
- Type 3 : You guessed my number!

- Now Vijay has to make some guesses in order to find Shankar's integer.
- Note: Vijay is given only 10 chances to guess the number. If Vijay wins the game, then return **True** otherwise return **False**.

Python coding:

```
import random

def ask_for_guess():
    '''returns an integer number as guessed by the user'''
while True:
    guess = input('> ') # Enter the guess.

    if guess.isdecimal():
        return int(guess) # Convert string guess to an integer.
    print('Please enter a number between 1 and 100.')

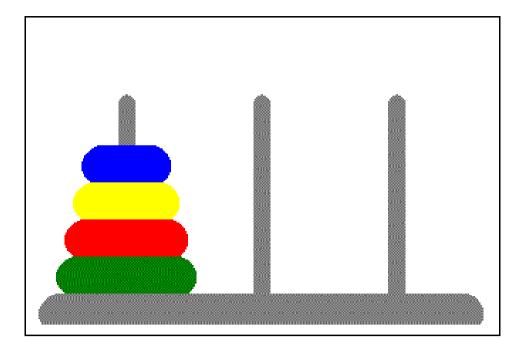
print('*** Guess the Number ***')
print()
secretNumber = random.randint(1, 100) # Select a random number.
print('I am thinking of a number between 1 and 100.')
```

Python coding:

```
for i in range(10): # Give the player 10 guesses.
    print('You have {} guesses left. Take a guess.'.format(10 - i))
    guess = ask for guess()
    if guess == secretNumber:
        break # Break out of the for loop if the guess is correct.
    # Offer a hint:
    if guess < secretNumber:</pre>
        print('Your guess is too low.')
    if guess > secretNumber:
        print('Your guess is too high.')
# Reveal the results:
if guess == secretNumber:
    print('Yay! You guessed my number!')
else:
    print('Game over. The number I was thinking of was', secretNumber)
```

Output:

```
Guess the Number ***
***
I am thinking of a number between 1 and 100.
You have 10 guesses left. Take a guess.
> 50
Your quess is too high.
You have 9 quesses left. Take a quess.
> 25
Your quess is too low.
You have 8 quesses left. Take a quess.
> 35
Your quess is too low.
You have 7 quesses left. Take a quess.
> 45
Your quess is too low.
You have 6 quesses left. Take a guess.
> 48
Your quess is too low.
You have 5 quesses left. Take a quess.
> 49
Yay! You guessed my number!
```



• The mission is to move all the disks to some another tower without violating the sequence of arrangement.

- A few rules to be followed for Tower of Hanoi are :
 - Only one disk can be moved among the towers at any given time.
 - Only the "top" disk can be removed.
 - No large disk can sit over a small disk.

• Tower of Hanoi puzzle with n disks can be solved in minimum 2^{n-1} steps.

Python Code:

```
# Tower of Hanoi
# one disk is tower A, destination is tower B, intermediate is tower C
print("Tower of Hanoi - with one disk")
source = '\Delta'
destination = 'B'
print("Move top disk from ", source, " to ", destination)
print()
# Two disk is at tower A, destination is tower B, intermediate in tower C
print("Tower of Hanoi - with 2 disk")
source = 'A'
destination = 'B'
temp = 'C'
print("Move top disk from ", source, " to ", temp)
print("Move top disk from ", source, " to ", destination)
print("Move top disk from ", temp, " to ", destination)
print()
```

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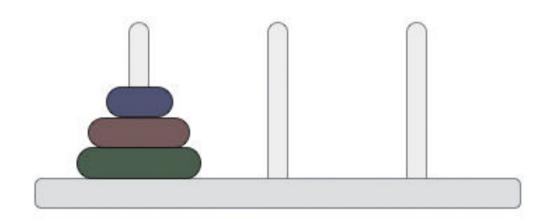
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Python Code:

```
# In a recursive way
def tower of hanoi(n, fromTower, toTower, tempTower):
   if n == 1:
        print("Move top disc from ", fromTower, " to ", toTower)
    else:
        # Move n-1 disks from source to temp
        tower of hanoi(n - 1, fromTower, tempTower, toTower)
        # Move top disk from source to destination
        print("Move top disc from ", fromTower, " to ", toTower)
        # Move n-1 disks from temp to the destination
        tower of hanoi(n - 1, tempTower, toTower, fromTower)
n = int(input("Enter number of disks:"))
tower of hanoi(n, 'A', 'B', 'C')
```

Output:

Step: 0



Output:

Enter number of disks:3						
Move	top	disc	from	А	to	в
Move	top	disc	from	А	to	С
Move	top	disc	from	в	to	C
Move	top	disc	from	A	to	в
Move	top	disc	from	С	to	A
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