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Frisbee Golf Equations

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Objectives:

Programming Objectives:

- Use variables to store values
- Use the randint() function to generate random numbers.
- Use the print() function to display
- Use a while loop to repeat code.

Math Objectives:

- Solve one step equations with rational solutions.
 (May adjust for integers or positive numbers only. See teacher note on step 6)
- Solve multi-step equations with rational solutions. (May skip. See teacher note on step 20.)
- Use substitution to verify a value is a solution to an equation.

Math Course Connections: Middle School Mathematics

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Sample Game:

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The game asks for the value of x

For each question answered correctly, earn a frisbee.

Press the "t" key to aim and Throw the frisbee.

1. Obtain the "Frisbee Golf Template.tns" from your teacher. A large portion of the code has been prepared for you ahead of time.



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3. Obtain the file "Frisbee Golf Template.tns" if you don't already have it.

Execute the code (ctrl r)

The "aim" angle will automatically increase and decrease. Press "t" when the desired angle is achieved.

Now, determine how hard to throw the frisbee. When ready, press "t".

The frisbee will fly along the given path. In this case, the goal was missed. If you had earned more frisbees, you would have more shots at the goal.





4. Now to earn more frisbees! To earn frisbees, the user must solve equations correctly. The first type of equations will look like: x + number = result or number + x = result

Solve the following equations for x.

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a.) x + 8 = 13 b.) x + 1.8 = 5.3 c.) 8.3 + x = 17.5 d.) 2.5 + x = 6.8 e.) x - 5.3 = 7.8

5. A.) Check your answers from step 4. Did you know you can use the scratchpad and the such that key, |, to check your work. To get to the such that key, press [ctrl] [=].

x + 8 = 13 | x = 7 is false because 7 + 8 = 15 not 13. x + 8 = 13 | x = 5 is true because 7 + 5 = 13

B.) Look back over your work in step 4. What patterns do you notice?

false	
true	
	true

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6. This first section of code will generate equations similar to the ones in step #4.

type = randint(1,2)	will he	elp determine if x comes first or second.
x = randint(-100,100)/1	100	randomly creates a rational value for x x could be a positive or negative
n = randint(-100,100)/1	100	randomly create a rational value to add to x. n could be positive or negative

To create an equation such as "x + 3.5 = 9.2", add the following three lines of code.

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if type == 1:
r = x + n
print("x",disp(n),"=",p(r))
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**if menu \rightarrow built-ins \rightarrow control \rightarrow if **print menu \rightarrow built-ins \rightarrow

Make sure the two lines below the if are indented two spaces (diamonds).

8. To create an equation such as "7.2 + x = 9.1", add the lines:

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elif type == 2:
r = x + n
print(p(n),"+ x =",p(r))
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The line print(p(n), "+ x=", p(r)) could be written without the function p(). It would look like print(n, "+ x = ",r). However, sometimes, python stores and prints rational numbers such as 8.2 as 8.19999999999. The function p() ensures this doesn't happen when printed.

9. The code has already been written to check your answer. If you scroll down to about line 40, you'll see this code.

The line a=float(eval(input("x = "))) asks the user enter the answer. The eval() around the input lets the user enter a number such as 3.5 or an expressions such as 7.2+5.1.

The if(abs(a-x) <= 0.000001): then checks to see if it correct.

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from ti_draw im	port *	
from random im	nport *	
from math impo	ort *	
from time impor	t*	
from ti_system	import *	
def getFrisbees type = randin x = randint(-	(): it(1,2) 100,100)/10 100,100)/10	



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<pre>def getFrisbees(): type = randint(1,6) x = randint(-100,100)/10 n = randint(-100,100)/10 if type==1: r=x+n print("x",disp(n),"=",p(r)) elif type==2: r=x+n print(p(n),"+ x =",p(r))</pre>	



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Currently, the program is set to ask 0 questions.
 If you run the code now, it should behave the same way it did in step 1.

To ensure you haven't made an error, run the code. [ctrl] [r]

It shouldn't ask questions yet, but it also shouldn't have any errors. If there are errors, check your code with the code in steps 7-8.

11. Now to change the number of questions from 0 to 5.

Scroll down to the section labeled "controls the number of questions"

Change the line for i in range(0): to for i in range(5):

12. Execute the code [ctrl] [r].

The program should ask 5 questions.

The sample question on the right is "x + 10 = 1" The user may either enter **-9** or **1 – 10**. The program will count either answer correct.

Play the game a few times.

If you answer 3 out of 5 questions correctly, you should get 4 frisbees. If you answer 5 out of 5 questions correctly, you should get 6 frisbees.

13. Now to program the third type of equation for the game. Solve the following equations:

a.) 1.2x = -4.2 b.) -5.6x = 20.72 c.) 7.8x = 0 d.) 9.1x = 11.83 e.) -5.4x = 24.3

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count	= 1		mber of question	~
for i in range(5): • count += getFrisbees()				
print(" sleep(You (2)	arne	d",count,"frisbees	;")
set_w	indov	v(0,20	0,0,130)	



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14. A.) Check your answers using the scratchpad and the such that key. To get to the such that key, press [ctrl] [=].

> $1.2^{*}x = -4.2 | x = 3.5$ is false because $1.2^{*}3.5$ is 4.2 not -4.2. $1.2^{*}x = -4.2 | x = -3.5$ is true because $1.2^{*}-3.5$ is -4.2.

B.) Look back over your work in step 12. What patterns do you notice?

15. Change the line that generates the **type** variable to randint(1,3).

type = randint(1,3)

16. Add the following lines to create and display the third type of equation.

elif type == 3: r=x*n print(p(n)+"x","=",p(r))

17. Execute your code. [ctrl] [r]

Play your game a few times. Ensure it displays all types of equations before continuing the code.

Remember: you can don't have to do the math in your head. The example on the right shows the user entered "-13.7 + 8.3" for the answer.

You should have:

addition problems where x comes first such as x + 7.9 = 3.1addition problems where x come second such as 4.5 + x = 9.4multiplication problems such as 8.1x = 9.2

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Example:





18. Now to program the fourth type of equation. Solve the following equations:

a.) x/1.3 = 12.5 b.) x/3.8 = -28.1 c.) x/-2.4 = 17.2 d.) x/-9.7 = -90.1

f.) Use the scratchpad and the such that key to check your work.

g.) Look back over your work in step a. What patterns do you notice?

19. Change the line that generates the **type** variable to randint(1,4).

type = randint(1,4)

20. Add the following lines to create and display the fourth type of equation.
To keep the values "nicer", you'll generate r, then find x.
You can't divide by 0. To avoid this possibility, you'll add a while loop that will regenerate n while it equals 0.

elif type == 4: r = randint(-100,100)/10 while n == 0: n=randint(-100,100)/10 x=n*r print("x/"+p(n),"=",p(r))

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**randint menu \rightarrow random \rightarrow randint
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Execute your code. [ctrl] [r]

Play your game a few times.

Ensure it displays all 4 types of equations: x + n = r n + x = r $n^*x = r$ x/n = r



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••••print(p(n),"-	+ x =",p(r))						
••elif type==3:							
• • • • r=n*x							
••••print(p(n)+"x","=",p(r))							
<pre>* elif type==4:</pre>							
r=randint(-100,100)/10							
while n==U:							
n=randint(-100,100)/10							
$x = 11^{11}$							

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21. Now to program the fifth type. Solve the following equation	ns:
a.) 5.3x + 6.1 = 12.46 b.) -3.1x + 9.3 = 36.27	c.) 1.9x - 3.1 = 4.69 d.) -9.2x - 3.1 = -70.26
f.) Use the scratchpad and the such that key to check you g.) Look back over your work in step a. What patterns do	r work. o you notice?
22. Change the line that generates the type variable to randin type = randint(1,5)	t(1,5).
	def getFrisbees(): • type = randint(1,5) • x = randint(-100,100)/10 • n = randint(-100,100)/10 • if type==1:
23. Add the following lines to create and display the fifth type	of equation.
elif type == 5: a = randint(-100,100)/10	<pre>while n==0: while n==0: ***********************************</pre>
while a==0:	<pre>>>>> print("x/"+p(n),"=",p(r)) >>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>></pre>
a = randint(-100,100)/10	<pre>****a=randint(-100,100)/10 ****while a == 0:</pre>
r=a*x+n	•••••a=randint(-100,100)/10

r=a*x+n print(p(a)+"x",disp(n),"=",p(r))

24. Execute your code. [ctrl] [r] Play your game a few times. Ensure it displays all 5 types of equations: x + n = rnx = r ax + n = r n + x = r x/n = r

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••••r=a*x+n

****print(p(a)+"x",disp(n),"=",p(r))

	a.) 5.3(x + 6.1) = 12.72	b.) -2.6(x + 4.3) = 7.2	8 c.) 9.42	x - 3.2 = -13.16	d.) −3.2(x - 1.4) = 20.	16
	f.) Use the scratchpad and g.) Look back over your wor	the such that key to chec k in step a. What patter	k your work. ms do you noti	ce?		
26.	Change the line that genera	ites the type variable to r	andint(1,6).	4 1. (2) 4	1 1.2 Frisbee Gnal	rad [)
	type = randint(1,6)			from from from from from from	n ti_draw import * n random import * n math import * time import * time import *	0/14
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27.	Add the following lines to cr	eate and display the sixth	n type of equati	on. 41.	1 1.2 Frisbee Gnal IfrisbeeGolfFinal.py	rad 📘 🕽 30/14
	elif type == 6:			• • •	<pre>or=a*x+n print(p(a)+"x",disp(n),"=",p(r)) </pre>	
	a = randint(-100,100)/10)		• • •	a=randint(-100,100)/10	
	while a==0:			***	<pre>winte a == 0.</pre>	
	a = randint(-100,100)/10		***	<pre>•print(p(a)+"(x",disp(n),") =",p(r))</pre>	
	r=r^(x+n) print(p(a)+"(x",disp(n),	") =",p(r))		• • • a:	=float(eval(input("x = ")))	
28.	Execute your code. [ctrl] [r]					
	Figure it displays all 6 type	s of equations: v + n = r	ny = r	ax + n = r		
		n + x = r	x/n = r	$a^{*}(x + n) = r$		
29.	Congratulations! Your Frisb	ee Golf game is complete	e. The only thir	ng left to do is prac	ctice!	
30.	Optional Challenges:					
	*Can you generate equation	is in the form $(x + n)/a = n$	For example	$x = \frac{x + 2.8}{7.1} = 3$.4 or (x – 1.9)/2.5 = -3	3.1

r = (x + n)/a To print, write print("(x", disp(n), ")/", p(a), "=", p(r))

What about an equation with four variables such as $a^{}(x + n) + b = r$? An example would be 3.1(x + 2.2) - 8.1 = 1.3.

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25. Now to program the sixth type. Solve the following equations:

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*Hint: generate a value for b
r = a*(x + n) + b
To print, write print(p(a) + "(x", disp(n), ")", disp(b), "=", p(r))