TRAFFIC LIGHT CONTROL SYSTEM

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INTRODUCTION

Explanation of problem statement

1. Generate a Random Time

A random number between 1 and 1000 seconds is chosen.

2. Determine the Light Cycle

The total cycle duration is **130 seconds** (Red: 60s, Yellow: 10s, Green: 60s).

3. Decide Which Light is On

Red is on for the first **60 seconds** \rightarrow "Stop!"

Yellow is on from 60 to 70 seconds → "Caution!"

Green is on from 70 to 130 seconds → "Go!"

4. Print the Result

Display the random timer value.

Approach to solve problem

1. Generating a Random Timer

A random number is selected between 1 and 200 seconds.

This represents a randomly chosen moment in time to check the traffic light status.

2. Defining the Traffic Light Cycle

The total cycle duration is calculated as: 60 (Red)+10 (Yellow)+60 (Green)=130 seconds

3. Determining the Light State

Red Light (0-59 seconds in cycle)

If time < 60, the **red light is on**, and the program prints "Stop!".

Yellow Light (60-69 seconds in cycle)

If time < 70, the **yellow light is on**, and it prints "Caution!".

Green Light (70-129 seconds in cycle)

Otherwise, the green light is on, and it prints "Go!".

4. Displaying the Output

The program prints the randomly generated timer value.

It then prints the current light colour and an appropriate message.

CODE

import random

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def traffic_light_system():
  timer = random.randint(1, 200) # Random timer between 1 and 200 seconds
  print(f"Timer set to: {timer} seconds")
  cycle time = 60 + 10 + 60 # Total cycle time (Red + Yellow + Green)
  time_in_cycle = timer % cycle_time # Time within the current cycle
  if time_in_cycle < 60:
     light = "Red"
     message = "Stop! The red light is on."
  elif time_in_cycle < 70:
     light = "Yellow"
     message = "Caution! The yellow light is on."
  else:
     light = "Green"
     message = "Go! The green light is on."
  print(f"After {timer} seconds, the light is: {light}")
  print(message)
traffic_light_system()
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OUTPUT

Timer set to: 57 seconds
After 57 seconds, the light is: Red
Stop! The red light is on.

REFERENCE

ChatGPT & Wikipedia