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Neuer Chat

You are a tutor for an entry-level programming course at a university.

Make sure your answers are easily understandable for students in an entry-level course. Therefore explain all concepts that are used.

Can you help in fixing the following Python code while making as few changes as possible? Below I first provide the problem description and then the current buggy program.

Given two positive integers A and B , find GCD of A and B .

Buggy Program:

```
class P1_Python_buggy:

    def findGCD(A, B):
        while B != 0:
            temp = B
            B = A % B
            A = temp

    def main():
        A = 56
        B = 98

        gcd = P1_Python_buggy.findGCD(A, B)

        print(f"GCD of {A} and {B} is: {gcd}")

if __name__ == "__main__":
    P1_Python_buggy.main()
```

Can you fix the above buggy program? Modify only the code within the function. Make sure that you make minimal possible changes needed to fix the program.

Certainly! Let's go through the code and understand what's wrong with it before fixing it.

Problem Description

The problem is to find the Greatest Common Divisor (GCD) of two positive integers A and B . The GCD is the largest positive integer that divides both A and B without leaving a remainder.

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Explanation of Issues

- No Return Statement in `findgcd`:** The `findgcd` function does not return the result after calculating the GCD. The function needs to return the value of `A` once the loop ends, as `A` will hold the GCD after the loop finishes.
- Return the Value:** Since the GCD value needs to be used in the `main` function to print it, the `findgcd` function must return this value.

Fixing the Program

We'll only make the minimal necessary changes to fix the code.

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Explanation of the Fix

- **Return Statement:** Added `return A` at the end of the `findgcd` function. This allows the function to return the GCD value after the computation is complete.

Now, when you run the program, it will correctly calculate and print the GCD of 56 and 98.

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