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Thread: [Suggestions for a simple program to calculate the number of numbers and seconds in a](#)

littleblueguy24 - June 13, 2022, 4:30 am

Curious as to the best way to grab the number of minutes and seconds in a Playlist on YouTube and add them all together and then print the output? Suggestions welcome .

Faith Connors - June 13, 2022, 1:59 pm

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add all minutes together, add all seconds together
minutes += seconds / 60
seconds %= 60
then you get a minutes:seconds representation, or further simplify to hours if needed.

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Wound up doing it manually to get the answer now learning how to do it programmatically.