

# Generators

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## Announcements

# Generators

<https://www.daleseo.com/python-yield/>

## Generators and Generator Functions

```
>>> def plus_minus(x):
...     yield x
...     yield -x

>>> t = plus_minus(3)
>>> next(t)
3
>>> next(t)
-3
>>> t
<generator object plus_minus ...>
```

A *generator function* is a function that **yields** values instead of **returning** them

A normal function **returns** once; a *generator function* can **yield** multiple times

A *generator* is an iterator created automatically by calling a *generator function*

When a *generator function* is called, it returns a *generator* that iterates over its yields

```
def evens(start, end):
    even = start + (start % 2)
    while even < end:
        yield even
        print('just yield')
        even = even + 2
```

```
#####
>> t = evens(1, 10)
>> next(t)
2
>> next(t)
just yield
4
```

```
#####
>> t = evens(21)
>> next(t)
22
>> next(t)
24
>> next(t)
26
>> t
<generator ~>
```

```
def evens(start, end):
    even = start + (start % 2)
    while even < end:
        yield even
        even = even + 2
```

```
#####
>> evens(1, 10)
<generator
>> t = evens(1, 10)
>> next(t)
2
>> next(t)
4
>> next(t)
6
>> next(t)
8
>> next(t)
StopIteration
>> list(evens(1, 10))
[2, 4, 6, 8]
>> for x in evens(1, 10):
    print(x)
```

2  
4  
6  
8

(Demo)

## Generators & Iterators

```
>>> list(countdown(3))
[3, 2, 1, 'Blast off!', 'Blast off!', 'Blast off!', 'Blast off!']
```

## Generator Functions can Yield from Iterables

A **yield from** statement yields all values from an iterator or iterable (Python 3.3)

```
def countdown(k):
    if k > 0:
        yield k
        yield from countdown(k-1)
    else:
        yield "Blast off!"
```

```
#####
>>> blast_off = countdown(10)
>>> blast_off
<generator ~ >
>>> next(blast_off)
10
>>> next(blast_off)
9
>>> next(blast_off)
8
>>> list(blast_off)
[7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1]
>>> next(blast_off)
7
...
>>> next(blast_off)
1
>>> next(blast_off)
Blast off!
```

```
>>> list(a_then_b([3, 4], [5, 6]))
[3, 4, 5, 6]
```

```
def a_then_b(a, b):
    for x in a:
        yield x
    for x in b:
        yield x
```

```
def a_then_b(a, b):
    yield from a
    yield from b
```

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def countdown 내용 바뀌가면서...

```
def countdown(k):
    if k > 0:
        yield k
        t = countdown(k - 1):
        yield from t
    #####
>>> blast_off = countdown(10)
>>> blast_off
<generator ~ >
>>> next(blast_off)
10
>>> next(blast_off)
???
```

```
>>> list(countdown(5))
[5, 4, 3, 2, 1]

def countdown(k):
    if k > 0:
        yield k
        yield from countdown(k-1)
```

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```
def countdown(k):
    if k > 0:
        yield k
        for x in countdown(k - 1):
            yield x
    #####
>>> blast_off = countdown(10)
>>> blast_off
<generator ~ >
>>> next(blast_off)
10
>>> next(blast_off)
???????
```

```
def prefixes(s):
    if s:
        yield from prefixes(s[:len(s) - 1])
        yield s

def substrings(s):
    if s:
        yield from prefixes(s)
        yield from substrings(s[1:])

>> list(prefixes('both'))
['b', 'bo', 'bot', 'both']
>> list(substrings('both'))
['b', 'bo', 'bot', 'both', 'o', 'ot', 'oth', 't', 'th', 'h']
```

## Example: Partitions

## Yielding Partitions

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A partition of a positive integer  $n$ , using parts up to size  $m$ , is a way in which  $n$  can be expressed as the sum of positive integer parts up to  $m$  in increasing order.

`partitions(6, 4)`

$$2 + 4 = 6$$

$$1 + 1 + 4 = 6$$

$$3 + 3 = 6$$

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```
def count_partitions(n, m):  
    if n == 0:  
        return 1  
    elif n < 0:  
        return 0  
    elif m == 0:  
        return 0  
    else:  
        with_m = count_partitions(n-m, m)  
        without_m = count_partitions(n, m-1)  
        return with_m + without_m
```

(Demo)