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1  '''
2  percipio58_Lazy Generators.py
3  Percipio video: Iterables-and-Generators; Lazy Generators
4  * Demonstrate lazy generator functions in Python
5  * Use if the Python program is using too much memory or keeping too many objects in memory
6  * Shows how to use generator functions for generation or lazy evaluations. If you don't a
    large amount of memory to store values is used.
7      * An example of one reason why to use generators is working with a list of numbers and
    calculating the area of a circle, with a radius of that number, could be a large
    amount of information with many millions of numbers.
8  '''
9  nl = '\n'
10 pi = 3.141592653589793 # from math import pi # no need to import this module if only need the
    pi number here
11
12 print('Create values in memory using a regular function without using a lazy generator for
    evaluation', nl)
13 def numbers(stop=10): # regular function 'numbers' defaults to a stop parameter equal to 10.
14     num_list = [] # create an empty list
15     for n in range(1, stop + 1): # for each number, starting at 1, going up to & including
        that 'stop' (of 10) by adding 1
16         print('Adding %s to the num_list' % n) # prints when executed showing added 'n' number
            to the number list
17         num_list.append(n) # appends the number to the num_list
18     return num_list # This function returns a list of numbers, here 1 to 10
19
20 def area_circle(radius): # a function called 'area_circle' accepting a 'radius' parameter
21     area = pi * radius ** 2 # uses that passed radius number to calculate the area of a circle
        (pi*r-squared)
22     print('Circle area with radius %s is: %s' % (radius, area)) # prints circle with radius
        (1st %s) and area (2nd %s)
23     return area # returns the circle area
24
25 num_list = numbers() # calls the numbers() function ( the same way as if only 'numbers()')
26 area_list = [area_circle(n) for n in num_list] # create a variable with a whole list of areas
    equal to a list comprehension executing the area circle for each number, 'n', and 'n'
    being a number in the number list previously generated.
27 print(nl, 'The list of areas using 1-10 is:', area_list, nl) # calculates all of the different
    areas of all the different circles with those radiuses which is now in memory.
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28
29 num_list = numbers(100) #
30 area_list = [area_circle(n) for n in num_list] #
31 print(nl, 'The list of areas using 1-100 is:', area_list) #
32
33 print(nl, 'With the above numbers now all held in memory, it\'s easy to see how a computer can
    slow down with a large amount of calculations')
34 print(nl, 'Create values with lazy evaluation using a generator function')
35
36 def numbers_gen(stop=10): # a generator function with a stop parameter of 10
37     n = 1 # initializes a local 'n' variable to 1
38     while n < stop + 1: # while 'n' is less than 'stop' + 1,
39         print('Yielding n as: %s' % n) # it will print it's yielding (number) at that time,
        the yielding 'n' as, whatever 'n' is substituted for %s
40         yield n # yields 'n'
41         n += 1 # the next iteration of this generator, it remembers the last yield number and
        adds 1
42
43 def area_circle_gen(radius): # a generator function defined for the area of a circle where a
    radius is passed
44     area = pi * radius ** 2 # the area calculated using the passed radius
45     print('Circle area with radius %s is: %s' % (radius, area)) # radius (1st %s) and area
        (2nd %s)
46     yield area # yields the area
47
48 area_list_gen = (area_circle_gen(n) for n in numbers_gen()) # lazy generator which has an
    object using a generator expression.
49 print(nl, 'The area_list_gen is of type:', type(area_circle_gen)) # identifies the object type
    of 'area_circle_gen'
50 # ?? This should be a 'class' generator' but it's showing class 'function' WHY??
51 print(nl, 'Values are generated on demand using lazy generator, while Loop, and forLoop:') #
    No evaluation is done creating a lazy generator, the values are generated on demand.
52 for area in area_list_gen: # forLoop to iterate over each area_circle_gen in the numbers_gen
53     print(next(area)) # to generate the area circle, call 'next' to get the next area circle
        calculated
54     ''' The values are generated on demand by generating the 1st 'n' & then calculating the
        area based upon the 'n' value. Then iterates to the next object. This only keeps two
        things in memory, the number and the area.
55     With iterators and generators, once they've cycled through all numbers and are empty, they
        will have no results.
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56 ...
57
58 a_list = list(area_list_gen) # generates the 1st 'n'
59 print('Once used generators no longer produce results:', a_list) #
60 print(nl, 'Prior to first generation of generator') #
61 area_list_gen = (area_circle_gen(n) for n in numbers_gen()) # generate another lazy generator
    by creating a generator object where none of the values are actually calculated, none of
    the 'n's are actually iterated
62 print(nl, 'Prior to generation of list of generators') #
63 area_list_gen2 = [n for n in area_list_gen] # create a list of the different generators by
    doing an 'n' for 'n' in the area_list_gen which will generate all the numbers
64 print(nl, 'The area_list_gen2 is of type:', type(area_list_gen2)) # a regular list but with
    list contents containing the different generator objects for each area circle
65 print(nl, 'The contents of area_list_gen2 is:', area_list_gen2) #
66 print(nl, 'Prior to generation of list of areas') #
67 area_list_gen3 = [next(area) for area in area_list_gen2] # create a list using list
    comprehension which calculates each 'area' by calling 'next' to get the next iteration or
    generation of that area for each 'area' that's in 'area_list_gen2'. It's at this code
    line that it iterates over each area generator, calculating the area.
68 print(nl, 'The area_list_gen3 list of areas is:', area_list_gen3) # list as normal.
69 ...
70 RESULT:
71 Note: Results are 300+ lines of code. Look at digital file
72 Create values in memory using a regular function without using a lazy generator for evaluation
73
74 Adding 1 to the num_list
75 Adding 2 to the num_list
76 Adding 3 to the num_list
77 Adding 4 to the num_list
78 Adding 5 to the num_list
79 Adding 6 to the num_list
80 Adding 7 to the num_list
81 Adding 8 to the num_list
82 Adding 9 to the num_list
83 Adding 10 to the num_list
84 Circle area with radius 1 is: 3.141592653589793
85 Circle area with radius 2 is: 12.566370614359172
86 Circle area with radius 3 is: 28.274333882308138
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