

CS2030 Programming Methodology  
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Problem Set #6 Suggested Guidance  
**Lambda and Streams**

1. Write a method `omega` with signature `IntStream omega(int n)` that takes in an `int n` and returns a `IntStream` containing the first  $n$  omega numbers.

The  $i^{\text{th}}$  omega number is the number of distinct prime factors for the number  $i$ . The first 10 omega numbers are 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 2, 1, 1, 1, 2.

The `isPrime` method is given below:

```
boolean isPrime(int n) {  
    return IntStream  
        .range(2, n)  
        .noneMatch(x -> n%x == 0);  
}
```

*We use `LongStream` in order to work with large integer values.*

```
import java.util.stream.IntStream;  
import java.util.stream.LongStream;
```

```
boolean isPrime(int n) {  
    return IntStream  
        .range(2, n)  
        .noneMatch(x -> n%x == 0);  
}
```

```
IntStream primeFactorsOf(int x) {  
    return factors(x)  
        .filter(d -> isPrime(d));  
}
```

```
IntStream factors(int x) {  
    return IntStream  
        .rangeClosed(2, x)  
        .filter(d -> x % d == 0);  
}
```

```
LongStream omega(int n) {  
    return IntStream  
        .range(1, n + 1)  
        .mapToLong(x -> primeFactorsOf(x).count());  
}
```

```
omega(10).forEach(System.out::println)
```

2. Write a method that returns the first  $n$  Fibonacci numbers as a `Stream<Integer>`.

For instance, the first 10 Fibonacci numbers are 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, 34, 55.

*Hint:* Write an additional `Pair` class that keeps two items around in the stream

*We use the `BigInteger` class to avoid overflow.*

```
class Pair<T> {
    T first;
    T second;

    Pair(T first, T second) {
        this.first = first;
        this.second = second;
    }
}

Stream<BigInteger> fibonacci(int n) {
    return Stream.iterate(
        new Pair<>(BigInteger.ZERO, BigInteger.ONE),
        pr -> new Pair<>(pr.second, pr.first.add(pr.second)))
        .map(pr -> pr.second).limit(n);
}
```

3. Write a method `product` that takes in two `List` objects `list1` and `list2`, and produce a `Stream` containing elements combining each element from `list1` with every element from `list2` using a `BiFunction`. This operation is similar to a Cartesian product.

```
public static <T,U,R> Stream<R> product(List<? extends T> list1,
    List<? extends U> list2,
    BiFunction<? super T, ? super U, R> func)
```

For example, the following program fragment

```
List<Integer> list1 = new ArrayList<>();
List<String> list2 = new ArrayList<>();

Collections.addAll(list1, 1, 2, 3, 4);
Collections.addAll(list2, "A", "B");

product(list1, list2, (str1, str2) -> str1 + str2)
    .reduce("", (x, y) -> x + y + " ")
```

gives the output

```
1A 1B 2A 2B 3A 3B 4A 4B
```

```

public static <T, U, R> Stream<R> product(
    List<? extends T> list1,
    List<? extends U> list2,
    BiFunction<? super T, ? super U, ? extends R> func) {

    return list1.stream()
        .flatMap(x -> list2.stream()
            .map(y -> func.apply(x,y)));
}

```

4. You are given two functions  $f(x) = 2 \times x$  and  $g(x) = 2 + x$ .

- (a) By creating an abstract class `Func` with a public abstract method `apply`, evaluate  $f(10)$  and  $g(10)$ .

```

abstract class Func {
    abstract int apply(int a);
}

```

```

Func f = new Func() {
    int apply(int x) {
        return 2 * x;
    }
};

```

```

Func g = new Func() {
    int apply(int x) {
        return 2 + x;
    }
};

```

```

f.apply(10);
g.apply(10);

```

*We cannot use a lambda here since `Func` is not a functional interface.*

```

interface Func {
    int apply(int a);
}

```

```

Func f = x -> 2 * x;
Func g = x -> 2 + x;
f.apply(10);
g.apply(10);

```

- (b) The composition of two functions is given by  $f \circ g(x) = f(g(x))$ . As an example,  $f \circ g(10) = f(2 + 10) = (2 + 10) * 2 = 24$ . Extend the abstract class in question 4a so as to support composition, i.e. `f.compose(g).apply(10)` will give 24.

```
abstract class Func {
    abstract int apply(int a);

    Func compose(Func g) {
        return new Func() {
            public int apply(int x) {
                return Func.this.apply(g.apply(x)); // <-- take note!
            }
        };
    }
}

Func f = new Func() {
    int apply(int x) {
        return 2 * x;
    }
};

Func g = new Func() {
    int apply(int x) {
        return 2 + x;
    }
};

f.compose(g).apply(10);
```

*What happens if we replace the statement `return Func.this.apply(g.apply(x))` with `return this.apply(g.apply(x))` instead? The `apply` method will recursive call itself! The `this` in `Func.this` is known as a “qualified this” and it refers not to it’s own object, but the enclosing object. Here, the enclosing object’s `apply` method is the one that returns  $2 * x$ .*

- (c) Now re-implement question 4b as a functional interface `Func<T,R>`

```
@FunctionalInterface
interface Func<T,R> {
    R apply(T a);

    default <V> Func<V,R> compose(Func<? super V, ? extends T> g) {
        return x -> Func.this.apply(g.apply(x));
    }
}

Func<String, Integer> f = x -> x.length();
Func<Integer, String> g = x -> x + "";

g.compose(f).apply("this") +
g.compose(f).apply("is") +
g.compose(f).apply("fun!!!")
```

5. **Currying** is the technique of translating the evaluation of a function that takes multiple arguments into evaluating a sequence of functions, each with a single argument,  $g(x, y) = h(x)(y)$ . Using the context of lambdas in Java, the lambda expression  $(x, y) \rightarrow x + y$  can be translated to  $x \rightarrow y \rightarrow x + y$ .

Show how the use of appropriate functional interfaces can achieve the curried function evaluation of two arguments.

*Hint: If the lambda above looks intriguing, try replacing the lambda with anonymous inner classes instead to make sense of the scope of the variables  $x$  and  $y$ .*

```
jshell> Function<Integer,Function<Integer,Integer>> h = x -> y -> x + y
h ==> $Lambda$14/13326370@4b9e13df
```

```
jshell> h.apply(3).apply(4)
$3 ==> 7
```

*Notice that we now have the ability to implement partial functions, such as this one that increments by one*

```
jshell> Function<Integer,Integer> inc = h.apply(1)
inc ==> $Lambda$15/1196765369@1d057a39
```

```
jshell> inc.apply(10)
$4 ==> 11
```

*Try to implement a curried version of  $p(x, y, z) = x + y + z$*