

ITERATORS, GENERATORS, AND STREAMS

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1 Iterators and Generators

1. What Would Python Display?

```
class SkipMachine:
    skip = 1
    def __init__(self, n=2):
        self.skip = n + SkipMachine.skip

    def generate(self):
        current = SkipMachine.skip
        while True:
            yield current
            current += self.skip
            SkipMachine.skip += 1
```

```
p = SkipMachine()
twos = p.generate()
SkipMachine.skip += 1
twos2 = p.generate()
threes = SkipMachine(3).generate()
```

(a) **next**(twos)

(b) **next**(threes)

(c) **next**(twos)

(d) `next(twos)`

(e) `next(threes)`

(f) `next(twos2)`

2. What does the following code block output?

```
def foo():
    a = 0
    if a < 10:
        print("Hello")
        yield a
        print("World")

for i in foo():
    print(i)
```

3. How can we modify `foo` so that it satisfies the following doctests?

```
>>> a = list(foo())
>>> a
[1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10]
```

4. Define `filter_gen`, a generator that takes in iterable `s` and one-argument function `f` and yields every value from `s` for which `f` returns `True`

```
def filter_gen(s, f):  
    """  
    >>> list(filter_gen([1, 2, 3, 4, 5],  
                        lambda x: x % 2 == 0))  
    [2, 4]  
    >>> list(filter_gen([1, 2, 3, 4, 5], lambda x: x < 3))  
    [1, 2]  
    """
```

5. Define `tree_sequence`, a generator that iterates through a tree by first yielding the root value and then yielding the values from each branch.

```
def tree_sequence(t):  
    """  
    >>> t = tree(1, [tree(2, [tree(5)]), tree(3, [tree(4)])])  
    >>> print(list(tree_sequence(t)))  
    [1, 2, 5, 3, 4]  
    """
```

2 Streams

1. (a) What are the advantages or disadvantages of using a stream over a linked list?

(b) What's the maximum size of a stream?

(c) What's stored in `first` and `rest`? What are their types?

(d) When is the next element actually calculated?

2. What Would Scheme Display?

(a) `scm> (define (foo x) (+ x 10))`

(b) `scm> (define bar (cons-stream (foo 1) (cons-stream (foo 2) bar)))`

(c) `scm> (car bar)`

(d) `scm> (cdr bar)`

(e) `scm> (define (foo x) (+ x 1))`

(f) `scm> (cdr-stream bar)`

(g) `scm> (define (foo x) (+ x 5))`

(h) `scm> (car bar)`

(i) `scm> (cdr-stream bar)`

(j) `scm> (cdr bar)`

3 Code Writing for Streams

1. Implement `double-naturals`, which returns a stream that evaluates to the sequence 1, 1, 2, 2, 3, 3, etc.

```
(define (double-naturals)
  (double-naturals-helper 1 #f)
)
(define (double-naturals-helper first go-next)
```

2. Implement `interleave`, which returns a stream that alternates between the values in `stream1` and `stream2`. Assume that the streams are infinitely long.

```
(define (interleave stream1 stream2)
```