

# Problem 281: Zigzag Iterator

## Problem Information

**Difficulty:** Medium

**Acceptance Rate:** 66.26%

**Paid Only:** Yes

**Tags:** Array, Design, Queue, Iterator

## Problem Description

Given two vectors of integers `v1` and `v2`, implement an iterator to return their elements alternately.

Implement the `ZigzagIterator` class:

\* `ZigzagIterator(List<int> v1, List<int> v2)` initializes the object with the two vectors `v1` and `v2`. \* `boolean hasNext()` returns `true` if the iterator still has elements, and `false` otherwise. \* `int next()` returns the current element of the iterator and moves the iterator to the next element.

**Example 1:**

**Input:** v1 = [1,2], v2 = [3,4,5,6] **Output:** [1,3,2,4,5,6] **Explanation:** By calling next repeatedly until hasNext returns false, the order of elements returned by next should be: [1,3,2,4,5,6].

**Example 2:**

**Input:** v1 = [1], v2 = [] **Output:** [1]

**Example 3:**

**Input:** v1 = [], v2 = [1] **Output:** [1]

**Constraints:**

```
* `0 <= v1.length, v2.length <= 1000` * `1 <= v1.length + v2.length <= 2000` * `-231 <= v1[i],  
v2[i] <= 231 - 1`
```

**Follow up:** What if you are given `k` vectors? How well can your code be extended to such cases?

**Clarification for the follow-up question:**

The "Zigzag" order is not clearly defined and is ambiguous for `k > 2` cases. If "Zigzag" does not look right to you, replace "Zigzag" with "Cyclic".

**Follow-up Example:**

**Input:** v1 = [1,2,3], v2 = [4,5,6,7], v3 = [8,9] **Output:** [1,4,8,2,5,9,3,6,7]

## Code Snippets

**C++:**

```
class ZigzagIterator {
public:
    ZigzagIterator(vector<int>& v1, vector<int>& v2) {
    }

    int next() {

    }

    bool hasNext() {

    }
};

/***
* Your ZigzagIterator object will be instantiated and called as such:
* ZigzagIterator i(v1, v2);
* while (i.hasNext()) cout << i.next();
*/
}
```

**Java:**

```
public class ZigzagIterator {  
  
    public ZigzagIterator(List<Integer> v1, List<Integer> v2) {  
  
    }  
  
    public int next() {  
  
    }  
  
    public boolean hasNext() {  
  
    }  
}  
  
/**  
 * Your ZigzagIterator object will be instantiated and called as such:  
 * ZigzagIterator i = new ZigzagIterator(v1, v2);  
 * while (i.hasNext()) v[f()] = i.next();  
 */
```

**Python3:**

```
class ZigzagIterator:  
    def __init__(self, v1: List[int], v2: List[int]):  
  
        def next(self) -> int:  
  
        def hasNext(self) -> bool:  
  
    # Your ZigzagIterator object will be instantiated and called as such:  
    # i, v = ZigzagIterator(v1, v2), []  
    # while i.hasNext(): v.append(i.next())
```