

```
def factors(n):      # traditional function that computes factors
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```
    results = []      # store factors in a new list
```

```
    for k in range(1,n+1): #
```

```
        if n%k == 0:      # divides evenly; thus k is a factor
```

```
            results.append(k) # append k to the list of factors
```

```
    return results      # return the entire list
```

An iterator is an object that manages an iteration through a series of values.

If variable, o, identifies an iterator object, then each call to the built-in function , next(o),

produces a subsequent element from the underlying series, with a StopIteration exception

raised to indicate that there are no further elements.

An iterable is an object , obj, that produces an iterator via the syntax iter(obj).

An instance of a list is an iterable, but not itself an iterator.

With data = [1,2,4,8], it is not legal to call next(data).

iterator object can be produced with the syntax o = iter(data) and then each subsequent call to next(o)

will return an element of the list.

The for loop syntax in Python simply automates the above mentioned process, creating an iterator for the

given iterable, and then repeatedly calling for the next element until catching the StopIteration

exception.

#Concept of Generators:

Python also supports functions and classes that produce an implicit iterable series of values,

that is, without constructing a data structure to store all of its values at once.

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object that is iterable.

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def lazyFactors(n):      # generator that computes factors
```

```
    for k in range(1,n+1): #
```

```
        if n%k == 0:      # divides evenly, thus k is a factor
```

```
            yield k       # yield this factor as next result
```

```
def fibonacci_generator():
```

```
    a=0
```

```
    b=1
```

```
    while True:      #keep computing forever! #potential of infinite computation
```

```
        yield a      #report value, a , during the current pass
```

```
        future = a+b
```

```
        a=b          # next value that will be reported
```

```
        b=future     # and subsequently this one
```

```
for i in fibonacci_generator():
```

```
    print(i)
```

```
    if (i>1000):
```

```
        break
```

```
def factors(n):
```

```
    k=1
```

```
    while k*k < n:
```

```
        if n%k == 0:
```

```
            yield k
```

```
            yield n//k
```

```
        k = k+1
```

```
    if k*k == n:
```

```
        yield k
```