

Lab05 & hw05

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Feeling good about your mid exam?

You have finished halfway 😊

Lab05

Nonlocal

- We can now edit parent frame variable!

Iterator

- Iterator is a (ordered) sequence of object, used:
 - For Enumeration: for item in iterators
 - As Counter & index: for i in range
 - ...
- We can decorate a iterator, or build complex iterator on it (or some of them).
- Iterator can have non-trivial “semantics” in its “item” & “order”.
 - Non-trivial semantics needs non-trivial computation.
- Remember statements for iteration, “while”, “for”, ...?

Generator

- A normal function describe a computation **for some single value**.
- **Sometimes we want a sequence of values** (use as a iterator) generating alongside specific computation. The sequence maybe infinite.
- Generator function describe how such sequence is computed one following the other.
 - Generator function generates generator (which is an iterator).
 - It is just a “function” replacing “return” with “yield”.
 - The function never truly “returns” until the computation ends
 - Any time it yield a value and “give back its control”, its frame and program counter is kept. — similar to “coroutine”.

Lab05p1: Count

- Subject: Implement `count`, which takes in an iterator `t` and returns the number of times the value `x` appears in the first `n` elements of `t`. A value appears in a sequence of elements if it is equal to an entry in the sequence.
- Main point: familiarize the usage of iterator

```
def count(t, n, x):  
    count = 0  
    for _ in range(n):  
        if next(t) == x:  
            count += 1  
    return count
```

Lab05p2: repeated

- Subject: Implement `repeated`, which takes in an iterator `t` and returns the first value in `t` that appears `k` times *continuously*.
- Main point: record task-related information along with iteration

```
def repeated(t, k):
    if k == 1:
        return next(t)
    key, cnt = next(t), 1
    while True:
        next_key = next(t)
        if key == next_key:
            cnt += 1
            if cnt == k:
                return key
        else:
            key, cnt = next_key, 1
```


Lab05p2: repeated

- Do not consume values more than you need.

Your implementation should iterate through the items in a way such that if the same iterator is passed into `repeated` twice, it should continue in the second call at the point it left off in the first. An example of this behavior is in the doctests.

Lab05p3: Scale

- Main point: **decorate a iterator**
 - Pay attention to underlying exception, which need to be handle right away explicitly

```
def scale(it, multiplier):  
    try:  
        while True:  
            v = next(it)  
            yield v * multiplier  
    except StopIteration:  
        return
```

Lab05p3: Scale

Important semantics information for compiler/interpreter. Keep this in mind!

- Main point: decorate a iterator
 - Or, you use built-in features carefully designed to deal with iterator type
 - In effect: “eager evaluation” and “lazy evaluation”.

```
def scale(it, multiplier):  
    yield from [value * multiplier for value in it]  
    yield from (value * multiplier for value in it)  
    yield from map(lambda x: multiplier * x, it)
```

```
siter = scale(iter, 2)  
print(next(siter))
```

Lab05p4: merge

Write a generator function `merge` that takes in two infinite generators `a` and `b` that are in increasing order without duplicates and returns a generator that has all the elements of both generators, in increasing order, without duplicates.

- Subject:
- Main point: combine multiple iterators into one

```
def merge(a, b):
    first_a, first_b = next(a), next(b)
    while True:
        if first_a == first_b:
            yield first_a
            first_a, first_b = next(a), next(b)
        elif first_a < first_b:
            yield first_a
            first_a = next(a)
        else:
            yield first_b
            first_b = next(b)
```

Lab05p5: hailstone

- Main point: define the infinite `recursive` computation for hailstone, yielding items alongside.

```
def hailstone(n):  
    yield n  
    if n == 1:  
        return  
    elif n % 2 == 0:  
        yield from hailstone(n // 2)  
    else:  
        yield from hailstone(n * 3 + 1)
```

hw05 review

Hw05p1: Make withdraw

- Main point: use nonlocal instead of new frame for memorizing “balance”. No calls to “make_withdraw” are in “withdraw” now!

```
def make_withdraw(balance, password):  
    ...  
    def withdraw(amount, pw):  
        nonlocal balance  
        ...  
        balance -= amount  
        return balance  
    return withdraw
```

Hw05p2: Joint Account

- Main point: layer lambda with lambda (layer frame with frame) to record information.
- Remind you of high-order functions, please don't forget them!

```
def joint_withdraw(amount, pw):  
    if pw == new_pass:  
        return withdraw(amount, old_pass)  
    return withdraw(amount, pw)
```


Hw05p03: Permutation

- Main point: clarify the math first & use recursive generator

```
head, tail = seq[0], seq[1:]
for perm in permutations(tail):
    for i in range(len(seq)):
        yield perm[:i] + [head] + perm[i:]
```

Hw05p04: Two sum

- Main point: relate the ideas of generator function and generator(iterator).
 - Generator has semantics for its generated sequence
 - Item's value
 - Item's order
- Complexity: find a value in list is $O(n)$ time consuming, dict may be preferred.

```
def two_sum_list(target, lst):  
    visited = {}  
    for val in lst:  
        ...  
    return False
```

Hw05p4: Lookups

- Main point: element yield from a generator can be a lambda.
 - A “path” from root to target node: [label() | branch()]*
 - Clarify the semantics is important!
 - Also a recursive function.
 - Link parent to child edge to child’s path.

```
def lookups(k, key):  
    if label(k) == key:  
        yield label  
    for i in range(len(branches(k))):  
        for lookup in lookups(branches(k)[i], key):  
            yield (lambda f, i: lambda v: f(branches(v)[i]))(lookup, i)
```

Hw05p05: Remainders generator

- Main point: a generator for generator. Not difficult 😊
 - Inner generator has nothing special to any other value type.

```
def remainders_generator(m):  
    def helper(n):  
        ...  
        yield i  
        ...  
    yield from [helper(i) for i in range(m)]
```