



CS61A Lecture 36

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Announcements



- HW11 due Wednesday
- Scheme project, contest out

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A Range Class



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class Range(object):
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        if end is None:
            start, end = 0, start
        self.start = start
        self.end = end
        self.step = step

    def __len__(self):
        return max(0, ceil((self.end - self.start) /
                           self.step))

    def __getitem__(self, k):
        if k < 0:
            k = len(self) + k
        if k < 0 or k >= len(self):
            raise IndexError('index out of range')
        return self.start + k * self.step
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class RangeIter(object):
    def __init__(self, start, end, step):
        self.current = start
        self.end = end
        self.step = step
        self.sign = 1 if step > 0 else -1

    def __next__(self):
        if self.current * self.sign >= self.end * self.sign:
            raise StopIteration
        result = self.current
        self.current += self.step
        return result

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Fibonacci



```
class FibIter(object):
    def __init__(self):
        self.prev = -1
        self.current = 1

    def __next__(self):
        self.prev, self.current = (self.current,
                                   self.prev + self.current)

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def filter_gen(fn, iterable):
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    while True:
        item = next(iterator)
        if fn(item):
            yield item
```

Bitstring Generator



```
from itertools import product

def bitstrings():
    """Generate bitstrings in order of increasing
    size.

    >>> bs = bitstrings()
    >>> [next(bs) for _ in range(0, 8)]
    ['', '0', '1', '00', '01', '10', '11', '000']
    """
    size = 0
    while True:
        tuples = product('0', '1', repeat=size)
        for elem in tuples:
            yield ''.join(elem)
        size += 1
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