

# Lecture 15\_New\_iterables\_in\_python

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## Iter with range

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R = range(10) # range returns an iterator, not a list

R

range(0, 10)

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I = iter(R) # Make an iterator from the range

next(I) # Advance to next result

0

next(I)

1

next(I)

2

forcefully list(range(10)) # To force a list if required

[0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9]

R = range(10)  
list(R)

len(R) ← length

10

R[0] ← indices

0

R[-1]

9

next(I)

3

I.\_\_next\_\_() #

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**Map.** Unlike range, though, they are their own iterators—after you step through their results once, they are exhausted. In other words, you can't have multiple iterators on their results that maintain different positions in those results.

iter

M = map(abs, (-1, 0, 1)) # map returns an iterator, not a list

M

<map at 0x7f8c831cf490>

M = map (abs, (-1, 0, 1))

next(M)

1

next(M)

exhausted

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→ 1  
next(M) ↘  
→ 0  
  
next(M) # Use iterator manually: exhausts results  
# These do not support len() or indexing  
→ 1 ↘  
  
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```

exhausted

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M = (...) exhausted

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for x in M: print(x) # map iterator is now empty: one pass only  
→ ↗  
M = map(abs, (-1, 0, 1)) # Make a new iterator to scan again  
→ ↗  
for x in M: print(x) # Iteration contexts auto call next()  
→ 1 ↗  
0 ↓  
1 ↘  
  
list(map(abs, (-1, 0, 1))) # Can force a real list if needed  
→ [1, 0, 1]
```

len(M)

Multiple Versus Single Iterators

```
R = range(3) # range allows multiple iterators ↗  
I1 = iter(R) ↗  
I2 = iter(R) ↗  
→ ↗  
TypeError: Traceback (most recent call last)  
<ipython-input-28-1ef46f494a83> in <cell line: 1>()  
----> 1 next(R)  
  
TypeError: 'range' object is not an iterator
```

Next steps: Explain error

I1 = iter(R) ↗ R → (0, 3)

next(I1)

→ 0

next(I1)

→ 1

I2 = iter(R) # Two iterators on one range ↗

next(I2) ↗

→ 0 ↗

next(I1) # I1 is at a different spot than I2

→ 2

Dictionary View Iterators

D = dict(a=1, b=2, c=3)

D

→ {'a': 1, 'b': 2, 'c': 3}

K = D.keys() # A view object in 3.0, not a list

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↳ {'a': 1, 'b': 2, 'c': 3}

K = D.keys() # A view object in 3.0, not a list

K

↳ dict_keys(['a', 'b', 'c'])

next(K) # Views are not iterators themselves
```

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```
Traceback (most recent call last)

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TypeError: 'dict keys' object is not an iterator
```

Next steps: [Explain error](#)

```
I = iter(K) # Views have an iterator,
next(I) # which can be used manually
→ 5
next(I)
→ 6
for k in D.keys(): print(k, end=' ') # All iteration contexts use auto
→ a b c
K = D.keys()

list(K) # Can still force a real list if needed
→ ['a', 'b', 'c']

V = D.values() # Ditto for values() and items() views
V
→ dict_values([1, 2, 3])
list(V)
→ [1, 2, 3]
list(D.items())
→ [('a', 1), ('b', 2), ('c', 3)]
for (k, v) in D.items(): print(k, v, end=' ')
→ a 1 b 2 c 3
```

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