# Section 8 - Ruby practice

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### Practice with Arrays and blocks

- 1) Write a method lengths that takes an array and returns a new array that is the result of calling length on all of the elements in the given array.
- 2) Write a method rev that takes an array and returns a new array with all of the elements from the original array in the reverse order. You aren't allowed to use the Array class' reverse method (though in real life you probably should).
- 3) Write a method num\_even that takes an array and returns the number of even elements in that array. There's a handy method even? that you may find useful.

4) Write a method all\_equal? that returns true if all the elements in a given array are equal or if the given array is empty and false otherwise.

5) Write a method prime that takes in a positive integer greater than 1 and returns an array of all the prime numbers from 1 to the given number.

6) Write a method trigger\_sum that takes in an array and a "trigger" number. trigger\_sum creates a cumulative sum of all the values in the array until it finds the trigger number, at which point it begins subtracting future numbers (including the trigger) from the cumulative sum. The trigger only occurs once. If the trigger is not in the given array, then it will just end up returning the cumulative sum.

## **Practice with Hashes**

- 1) Write a method keys\_and\_values that takes a hash and returns an array of elements that are both keys and values in the given hash. You might find the arrays set difference operator & to be useful.
- 2) Write a method flip\_hash that takes a hash and returns a new hash where every key-value pair in the original hash is flipped.
- 3) Write a method intersect that takes two hashes and returns a new hash that contains all of the key-value pairs that appear in both of the given hashes.

## Practice using blocks

Implement the following functions using the arrays each method. Remember you can call a block given to a method using yield, and you can pass yield any necessary arguments.

1) Implement our\_map which takes an array and expects a block and behaves as the built in arrays map function would with the given block.

2) Implement our\_select which takes an array and expects a block and behaves as the built in arrays select function would with the given block.

3) Implement our\_inject which takes an array and an initial value and expects a block and behaves as the built in arrays inject function would with the given initial value and block.

#### Super brief Ruby cheat sheet (really just for this handout)

arr = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]# calls block on each value in arr, returns arr arr.each { |x| block } # returns a new array of block mapped across all elements in arr arr.map { |x| block } # returns a new array of elements in arr for which the block returns true arr.select { |x| block } # returns the number of elements for which the given block is true arr.count { |x| block } # behaves like fold over arr starting at init and accumulating the block arr.inject(init) { |acc, x| block } # true only if all the elements in arr return true for the given block arr.all? { |x| block } # true if any of the elements in arr return true for the given block arr.any? { |x| block } # hashes also have a version of many iterative functions # the blocks typically expect two arguments instead of one (for key and value)  $h = \{1 = >2, 3 = >4, 5 = >6\}$ # For example, each h.each {|k, v| puts k + v }

# Section 8 - Solutions

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## **Practice with Arrays**

```
1) def lengths xs
    xs.map { |x| x.length }
  end
2) def rev xs
    xs.inject([]) {|acc, x| acc.unshift x }
  end
3) def num even xs
    xs.count {|x| x.even? }
  end
4) def all equal? xs
    xs.all? {|x| x == xs[0]}
  end
5) def prime n
     (2..n).select { |x| (2..Math.sqrt(x).to i).all? { |y| x % y != 0 } }
  end
6) def trigger sum xs, x
    sub = false
    xs.inject(0) do |acc, y|
       if sub or x == y
         sub = true
         acc - y
      else
         acc + y
      end
    end
  end
```

### **Practice with Hashes**

```
1) def keys_and_values h
    h.keys & h.values
    end
```

```
2) def flip_hash h
    res = {}
    h.each {|k, v| res[v] = k }
    res
    end
```

```
3) def intersect h1, h2
    h1.select {|k, v| h2[k] == v }
end
```

## Practice using blocks

```
1) def our map1 xs
    result = Array.new(xs.length)
    i = 0
    xs.each do |x|
     result[i] = yield x
      i += 1
    end
    result
  end
  def our map2 xs
    result = []
    xs.each {|x| result.push yield x }
    result
  end
2) def our select xs
    result = []
    xs.each {|x| result.push x if yield x }
    result
  end
3) def our inject xs, init
    xs.each {|x| init = yield init, x }
    init
  end
```