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Regular Function

```
def hello_world():
   print('Hello World!')
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```
def hello_world():
   print('Hello World!')
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```
@tracer
def hello_world():
   print('Hello World!')
```

```
def tracer(func):
```

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@tracer
def hello_world():
   print('Hello World!')
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def tracer(func):
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def hello_world():
  print('Hello World!')
```

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def tracer(func):
  def wrapper():
    print('Entering...')
    func()
    print('Exiting...')
@tracer
def hello_world():
 print('Hello World!')
```

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def tracer(func):
  def wrapper():
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def tracer(func):
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    print('Entering...')
    func()
    print('Exiting...')
 return wrapper
@tracer
def hello_world():
  print('Hello World!')
```

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def tracer(func):
  def wrapper():
    print('Entering...')
    func()
    print('Exiting...')
  return wrapper
@tracer
def hello_world():
  print('Hello World!')
```

```
>>> hello_world()
Entering...
Hello World!
Exiting...
```

Decorators

Decorators wrap

Decorators wrap functions

Decorators wrap functions around

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```
def tracer(func):
  def wrapper():
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    func()
    print('Exiting...')
  return wrapper
@tracer
def hello_world():
  print('Hello World!')
```

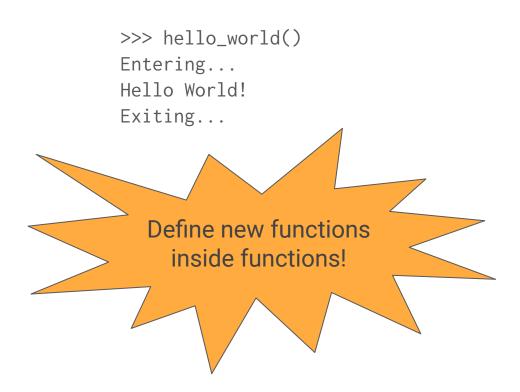
```
>>> hello_world()
Entering...
Hello World!
Exiting...
 Functions are Objects!
   "First-Order Values"
```

```
def tracer(func)
  def wrapper():
    print('Entering...')
    func()
    print('Exiting...')
  return wrapper
@tracer
def hello_world():
  print('Hello World!')
```



```
def tracer(func):
    def wrapper():
        print('Entering...')
        func()
        print('Exiting...')
    return wrapper
```

```
@tracer
def hello_world():
   print('Hello World!')
```



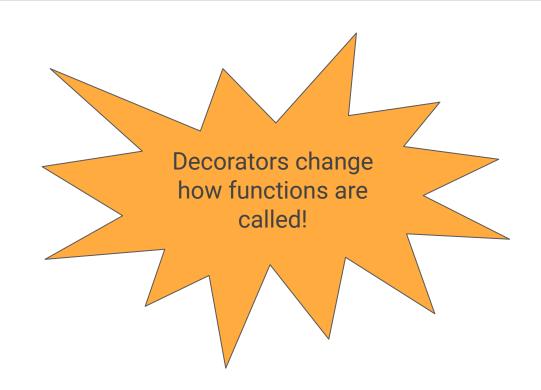
```
def tracer(func):
  def wrapper():
    print('Entering...')
    func()
    print('Exiting...')
  return wrapper
@tracer
def hello_world():
  print('Hello World!')
```

```
>>> hello_world()
Entering...
Hello World!
Exiting...
    Return a function
     from a function!
```

Functional Programming!

```
def tracer(func):
    def wrapper():
        print('Entering...')
        func()
        print('Exiting...')
    return wrapper

@tracer
def hello_world():
    print('Hello World!')
```



```
def tracer(func):
  def wrapper():
    print('Entering...')
                                              "Outer" Decorator Function
   func()
    print('Exiting...')
  return wrapper
@tracer
def hello_world():
  print('Hello World!')
                                              "Inner" Decorated Function
```

```
def tracer(func):
    def wrapper():
        print('Entering...')
        func()
        print('Exiting...')
    return wrapper

@tracer
def hello_world():
    print('Hello World!')
```



```
def tracer(func):
  def wrapper():
    print('Entering...')
    func()
    print('Exiting...')
  return wrapper
@tracer
def hello_world():
  print('Hello World!')
@tracer
def goodbye_world():
  print('Goodbye World!')
```



Aspect-Oriented Programming!

Decorators wrap functions around functions!



Hold on! We have a problem!



Mistaken Identity?

```
def tracer(func):
  def wrapper():
    print('Entering...')
    func()
    print('Exiting...')
  return wrapper
@tracer
def hello_world():
  print('Hello World!')
```

```
>>> hello_world()
Entering...
Hello World!
Exiting...
```

Mistaken Identity?

```
def tracer(func):
                                              >>> hello_world()
 def wrapper():
                                              Entering...
   print('Entering.
                                              Hello World!
    func()
                                              Exiting...
    print('Exiting...')
                                              >>> hello_world.__name__
  return wrapper
                                              'wrapper'
@tracer
def hello_world():
  print('Hello World!')
```

Mistaken Identity?

```
def tracer(func):
                                              >>> hello_world()
                                              Entering...
  def wrapper():
    print('Entering.
                                              Hello World!
    func()
                                              Exiting...
    print('Exiting...'
                                              >>> hello_world.__name__
  return wrapper
                                               'wrapper'
                                              >>> help(hello_world)
@tracer
def hello_world():
                                              Help on function wrapper in module
  print('Hello World!')
                                              decorator:
                                              wrapper()
```

Corrected Identity!

```
import functools
                                              >>> hello_world()
                                              Entering...
def tracer(func):
                                              Hello World!
  @functools.wraps(func)
                                              Exiting...
  def wrapper():
    print('Entering...')
                                              >>> hello_world.__name__
    func()
                                              'hello_world'
    print('Exiting...')
                                              >>> help(hello_world)
  return wrapper
                                              Help on function wrapper in module
                                              decorator:
@tracer
                                              hello_world()
def hello_world()
  print('Hello World!')
```

Wait! There's another problem!



```
def tracer(func):
  @functools.wraps(func)
  def wrapper():
    print('Entering...')
    func()
    print('Exiting...')
  return wrapper
@tracer
def hello(name):
  return f'Hello {name}!'
```

```
def tracer(func):
  @functools.wraps(func)
  def wrapper():
    print('Entering...')
    func()
    print('Exiting...')
  return wrapper
@tracer
def hello(name):
  return f'Hello {name}!'
```

```
>>> h = hello('Andy')
```

```
def tracer(func):
  @functools.wraps(func)
  def wrapper():
    print('Entering...')
    func()
    print('Exiting...')
  return wrapper
@tracer
def hello(name):
  return f'Hello {name}!'
```

```
>>> h = hello('Andy')
Traceback (most recent call last):
   File "<stdin>", line 1, in <module>
TypeError: wrapper() takes 0
positional arguments but 1 was given
```

```
def tracer(func):
  @functools.wraps(func)
 def wrapper(*args, **kwargs):
   print('Entering...')
   func(*args, **kwargs)
    print('Exiting...')
                                                 Pass arguments
                                                 through wrapper!
  return wrapper
@tracer
def hello(name):
  return f'Hello {name}!'
```

```
def tracer(func):
  @functools.wraps(func)
  def wrapper(*args, **kwargs):
    print('Entering...')
    answer = func(*args, **kwargs)
    print('Exiting...')
                                                Return the function's
    return answer
                                                    return value!
  return wrapper
@tracer
def hello(name):
  return f'Hello {name}!'
```

```
def tracer(func):
                                             >>> h = hello('Andy')
 @functools.wraps(func)
 def wrapper(*args, **kwargs):
    print('Entering...')
    answer = func(*args, **kwargs)
    print('Exiting...')
    return answer
  return wrapper
@tracer
def hello(name):
  return f'Hello {name}!'
```

```
def tracer(func):
 @functools.wraps(func)
  def wrapper(*args, **kwargs):
    print('Entering...')
    answer = func(*args, **kwargs)
    print('Exiting...')
    return answer
  return wrapper
@tracer
def hello(name):
  return f'Hello {name}!'
```

```
>>> h = hello('Andy')
Entering...
Exiting...
```

```
def tracer(func):
 @functools.wraps(func)
  def wrapper(*args, **kwargs):
    print('Entering...')
    answer = func(*args, **kwargs)
    print('Exiting...')
    return answer
  return wrapper
@tracer
def hello(name):
  return f'Hello {name}!'
```

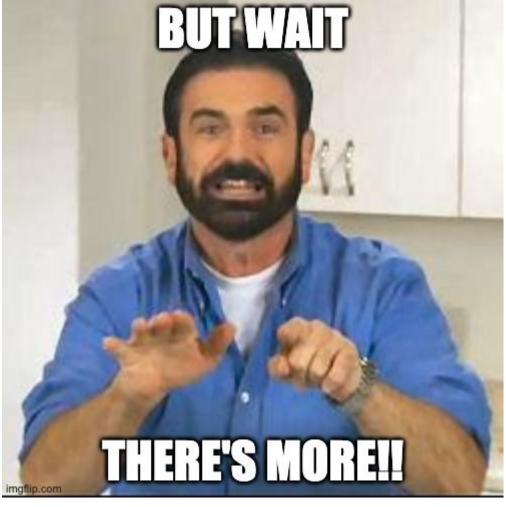
```
>>> h = hello('Andy')
Entering...
Exiting...
>>> h
```

```
def tracer(func):
 @functools.wraps(func)
  def wrapper(*args, **kwargs):
    print('Entering...')
    answer = func(*args, **kwargs)
    print('Exiting...')
    return answer
  return wrapper
@tracer
def hello(name):
  return f'Hello {name}!'
```

```
>>> h = hello('Andy')
Entering...
Exiting...
>>> h
'Hello Andy!'
```



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```
@call_twice
def hello_world():
   print('Hello World!')
```

```
def call_twice(func):
    @functools.wraps(func)
    def wrapper(*args, **kwargs):
    return wrapper

@call_twice
def hello_world():
    print('Hello World!')
```

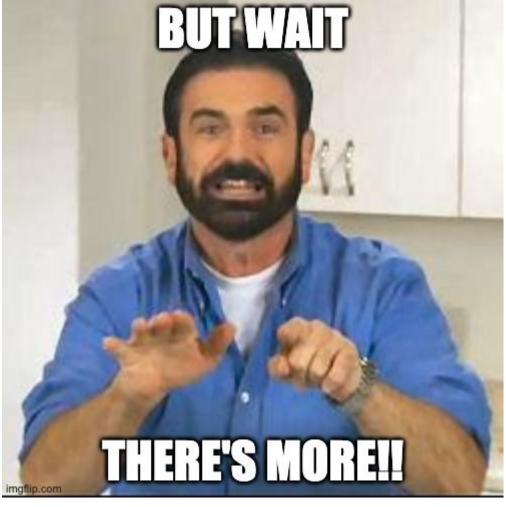
```
def call_twice(func):
    @functools.wraps(func)
    def wrapper(*args, **kwargs):
        func(*args, **kwargs)
        return func(*args, **kwargs)
        return wrapper

@call_twice
def hello_world():
    print('Hello World!')
```

```
def call_twice(func):
    @functools.wraps(func)
    def wrapper(*args, **kwargs):
        func(*args, **kwargs)
        return func(*args, **kwargs)
        return wrapper

@call_twice
def hello_world():
    print('Hello World!')
```

```
>>> hello_world()
Hello World!
Hello World!
```



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```
@timer
def hello_world():
   print('Hello World!')
```

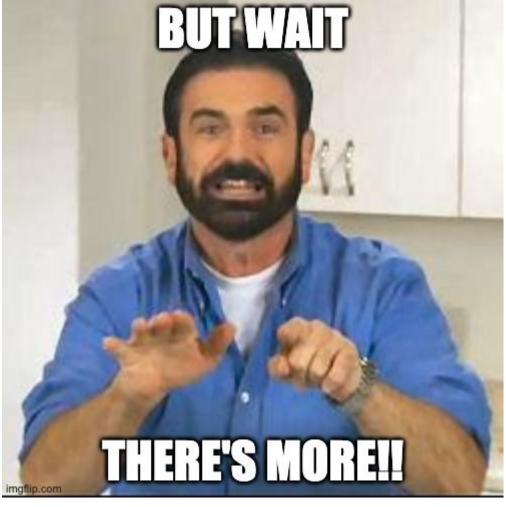
```
def timer(func):
  @functools.wraps(func)
  def wrapper(*args, **kwargs):
  return wrapper
@timer
def hello_world():
  print('Hello World!')
```

```
def timer(func):
  @functools.wraps(func)
  def wrapper(*args, **kwargs):
    answer = func(*args, **kwargs)
    return answer
  return wrapper
@timer
def hello_world():
  print('Hello World!')
```

```
import time
def timer(func):
  @functools.wraps(func)
  def wrapper(*args, **kwargs):
    start = time.time()
    answer = func(*args, **kwargs)
    end = time.time()
    print(f'Elapsed: {end - start}')
    return answer
  return wrapper
@timer
def hello_world():
  print('Hello World!')
```

```
import time
def timer(func):
  @functools.wraps(func)
  def wrapper(*args, **kwargs):
    start = time.time()
    answer = func(*args, **kwargs)
    end = time.time()
    print(f'Elapsed: {end - start}')
    return answer
  return wrapper
@timer
def hello_world():
  print('Hello World!')
```

```
>>> hello_world()
Hello World!
Elapsed: 0.00013303756713867188
```



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```
@timer
@call_twice
def hello_world():
   print('Hello World!')
```

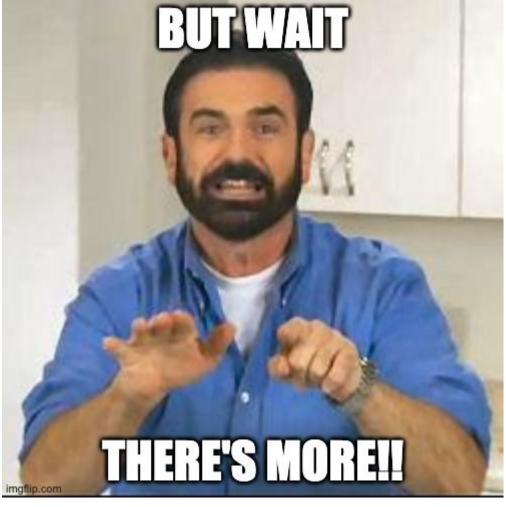
```
@timer
@call_twice
def hello_world():
    print('Hello World!')
```

```
>>> hello_world()
Hello World!
Hello World!
Elapsed: 7.82012939453125e-05
```

```
@timer
@call_twice
def hello_world():
  print('Hello World!')
@call_twice
@timer
def hello_world():
  print('Hello World!')
```

```
>>> hello_world()
Hello World!
Hello World!
Elapsed: 7.82012939453125e-05
```

```
>>> hello_world()
@timer
@call_twice
                                              Hello World!
def hello_world():
                                              Hello World!
  print('Hello World!')
                                              Elapsed: 7.82012939453125e-05
                                              >>> hello_world()
@call_twice
                                              Hello World!
@timer
                                              Elapsed: 5.1021575927734375e-05
def hello_world():
                                              Hello World!
  print('Hello World!')
                                              Elapsed: 8.821487426757812e-06
```



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```
def add(a, b):
    return a + b

def subtract(a, b):
    return a - b
```

```
@int_inputs
def add(a, b):
  return a + b
@int_inputs
def subtract(a, b):
  return a - b
```

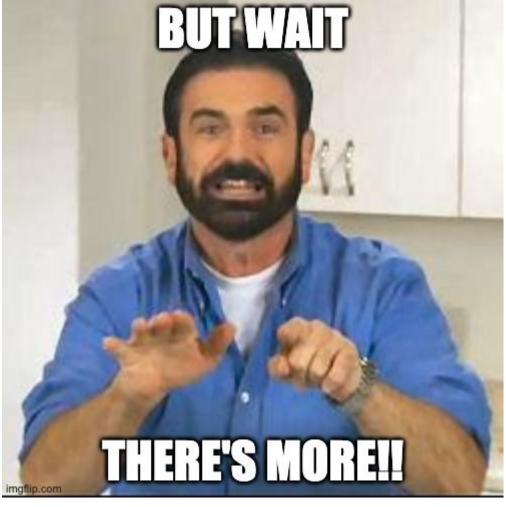
def int_inputs(func):

```
def int_inputs(func):
  @functools.wraps(func)
  def wrapper(*args):
  return wrapper
@int_inputs
def add(a, b):
  return a + b
@int_inputs
def subtract(a, b):
  return a - b
```

```
def int_inputs(func):
  @functools.wraps(func)
  def wrapper(*args):
    newargs = [int(a) for a in args]
    return func(*newargs)
  return wrapper
@int_inputs
def add(a, b):
  return a + b
@int_inputs
def subtract(a, b):
  return a - b
```

```
def int_inputs(func):
  @functools.wraps(func)
  def wrapper(*args):
    newargs = [int(a) for a in args]
    return func(*newargs)
  return wrapper
@int_inputs
def add(a, b):
  return a + b
@int_inputs
def subtract(a, b):
  return a - b
```

```
>>> add(1.5, 2.9)
3
>>> subtract('5.4', '3.9')
2
>>> add('2', 'abc')
ValueError: invalid literal for int()
with base 10: 'abc'
```



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Decorators with Arguments

```
@repeat(5)
def hello_world():
   print('Hello World!')
```

Decorators with Arguments

```
def repeat(count):
@repeat(5)
def hello_world():
  print('Hello World!')
```

Decorators with Arguments

```
def repeat(count):
  def repeat_decorator(func):
  return repeat_decorator
@repeat(5)
def hello_world():
  print('Hello World!')
```

Decorators with Arguments

```
def repeat(count):
  def repeat_decorator(func):
    @functools.wraps(func)
    def wrapper(*args, **kwargs):
    return wrapper
  return repeat_decorator
@repeat(5)
def hello_world():
  print('Hello World!')
```

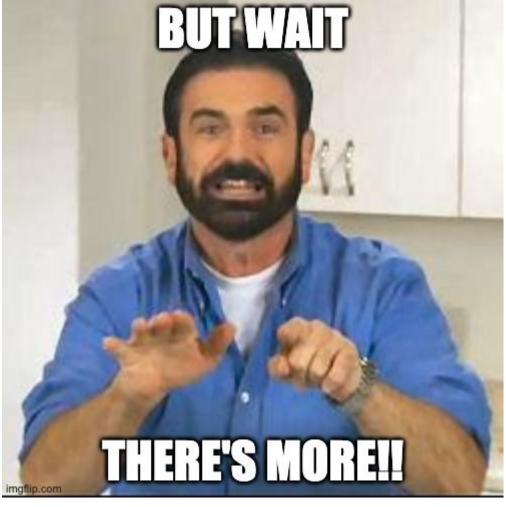
Decorators with Arguments

```
def repeat(count):
  def repeat_decorator(func):
    @functools.wraps(func)
    def wrapper(*args, **kwargs):
      for _ in range(count):
        func(*args, **kwargs)
    return wrapper
  return repeat_decorator
@repeat(5)
def hello_world():
  print('Hello World!')
```

Decorators with Arguments

```
def repeat(count):
  def repeat_decorator(func):
    @functools.wraps(func)
    def wrapper(*args, **kwargs):
      for _ in range(count):
        func(*args, **kwargs)
    return wrapper
  return repeat_decorator
@repeat(5)
def hello_world():
  print('Hello World!')
```

```
>>> hello_world()
Hello World!
Hello World!
Hello World!
Hello World!
Hello World!
```



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```
@count_calls
def hello_world():
   print('Hello World!')
```

```
def count_calls(func):
  @functools.wraps(func)
  def wrapper(*args, **kwargs):
  return wrapper
@count_calls
def hello_world():
 print('Hello World!')
```

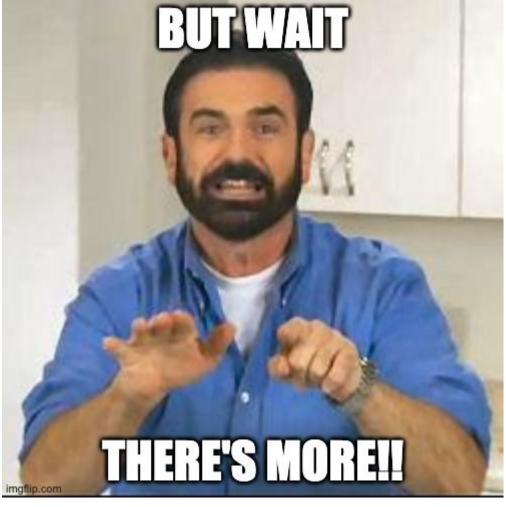
```
def count_calls(func):
  @functools.wraps(func)
  def wrapper(*args, **kwargs):
  wrapper.count = 0
  return wrapper
@count_calls
def hello_world():
  print('Hello World!')
```

```
def count_calls(func):
  @functools.wraps(func)
  def wrapper(*args, **kwargs):
    wrapper.count += 1
    return func(*args, **kwargs)
  wrapper.count = 0
  return wrapper
@count_calls
def hello_world():
  print('Hello World!')
```

```
def count_calls(func):
  @functools.wraps(func)
  def wrapper(*args, **kwargs):
    wrapper.count += 1
    return func(*args, **kwargs)
 wrapper.count = 0
  return wrapper
@count_calls
def hello_world():
 print('Hello World!')
```

```
>>> hello_world.count
0
```

```
def count_calls(func):
                                              >>> hello world.count
  @functools.wraps(func)
                                              0
  def wrapper(*args, **kwargs):
                                              >>> hello_world()
    wrapper.count += 1
                                              Hello World!
    return func(*args, **kwargs)
 wrapper.count = 0
                                              >>> hello_world()
  return wrapper
                                              Hello World!
@count_calls
                                              >>> hello world.count
def hello_world():
  print('Hello World!')
```



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```
# Decorator on a method

class Greeter:

@timer
  def hello(self):
    print('hello')
```

```
# Decorator on a method

class Greeter:

@timer
  def hello(self):
    print('hello')
```

```
>>> g = Greeter()
>>> g.hello()
hello
Elapsed: 8.606910705566406e-05
```

```
# Decorator on a class
@timer
class Greeter:

def hello(self):
    print('hello')
```

```
# Decorator on a class
@timer
class Greeter:

def hello(self):
    print('hello')
```

```
>>> g = Greeter()
Elapsed: 3.814697265625e-06
```

```
# Decorator on a class

@timer
class Greeter:

def hello(self):
    print('hello')
```

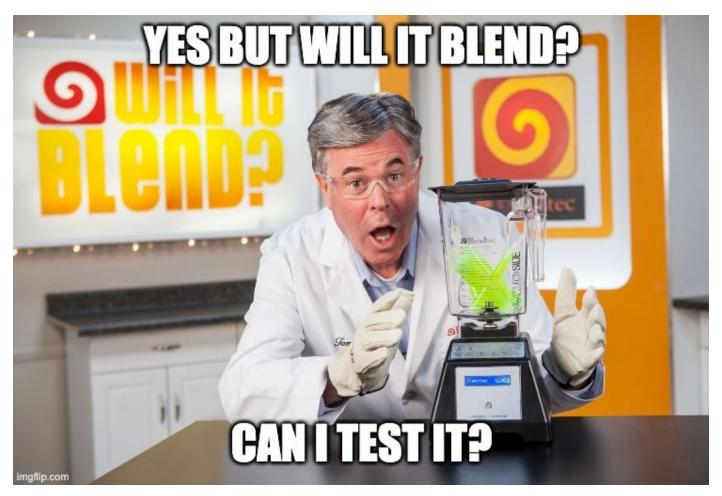
```
>>> g = Greeter()
Elapsed: 3.814697265625e-06

>>> g.hello()
hello

# Decorators on classes apply to the constructor, not each method
```

Decorators wrap functions around functions! callables





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Testing decorators is challenging!

Here's some advice:

- 1. Separate tests for decorator functions from tests for decorated functions.
- 2. Apply decorators to "fake" functions used only for testing.
- 3. Cover all possible ways the decorators can be used.
 - a. Decorator parameters?
 - b. Inner function arguments?
 - c. Return values?
 - d. Identity?
 - e. Methods and classes?
 - f. Etc.

```
# Decorated Functions

@count_calls
def no_op():
    pass

@count_calls
def same(a):
    return a
```

```
# Decorated Functions # Test Cases

@count_calls
def no_op():
    pass

@count_calls
def same(a):
    return a
```

```
# Decorated Functions
@count_calls
def no_op():
  pass
@count_calls
def same(a):
  return a
```

```
# Test Cases
def test count calls 0():
  assert no_op.count == 0
def test_count_calls_3():
  for _ in range(3):
    no_op()
  assert no_op.count == 3
def test_count_calls_with_args_and_return():
  answer = same('hello')
  assert answer == 'hello'
  assert same.count == 1
```



Common Decorators

Decorator	Applies To	Purpose
@classmethod	Methods	Makes method callable from class with class parameter
@staticmethod	Methods	Makes method callable from class without class parameter
@property	Methods	Adds getters and setters for attributes
@app.route	Functions	Flask: binds a function to a URL
@pytest.mark.parametrize	Functions	pytest: runs tests with different input combos

```
@classmethod
def hello(cls):
   name = cls.__name__
   print(f'hello from {name}')
```

```
>>> Greeter.hello()
hello from Greeter
```

```
@classmethod
def hello(cls):
   name = cls.__name__
   print(f'hello from {name}')

@staticmethod
def goodbye():
   print('goodbye')
```

```
>>> Greeter.hello()
hello from Greeter

>>> Greeter.goodbye()
goodbye
```

```
def __init__(self):
    self.count = 0
```

```
def __init__(self):
    self.count = 0

def add(self, amount):
    self.count += amount
```

```
def __init__(self):
    self.count = 0

def add(self, amount):
    self.count += amount

@property
def count(self):
    return self._count
```

```
class Accumulator:
  def __init__(self):
    self.count = 0
  def add(self, amount):
    self.count += amount
  @property
  def count(self):
    return self. count
  @count.setter
  def count(self, value):
    if value < 0:</pre>
      raise ValueError('count must be >= 0')
    self. count = value
```

```
class Accumulator:
  def __init__(self):
    self.count = 0
  def add(self, amount):
    self.count += amount
  @property
  def count(self):
    return self. count
  @count.setter
  def count(self, value):
    if value < 0:</pre>
      raise ValueError('count must be >= 0')
    self. count = value
```

```
>>> a = Accumulator()
>>> a.count
0
```

```
class Accumulator:
  def __init__(self):
    self.count = 0
  def add(self, amount):
    self.count += amount
  @property
  def count(self):
    return self. count
  @count.setter
  def count(self, value):
    if value < 0:</pre>
      raise ValueError('count must be >= 0')
    self. count = value
```

```
>>> a = Accumulator()
>>> a.count
0
>>> a.add(5)
>>> a.count
5
```

```
class Accumulator:
  def __init__(self):
    self.count = 0
  def add(self, amount):
    self.count += amount
  @property
  def count(self):
    return self. count
  @count.setter
  def count(self, value):
    if value < 0:</pre>
      raise ValueError('count must be >= 0')
    self. count = value
```

```
>>> a = Accumulator()
>>> a.count
0
>>> a.add(5)
>>> a.count
>>> a.count = 2
>>> a.count = -3
Traceback (most recent call last):
 File "<stdin>", line 1, in <module>
  File
"/Users/andylpk247/Programming/automation-panda/py
gotham-tv/decorator.pv", line 107, in count
    raise ValueError('Accumulator count must not
be negative')
ValueError: count must be >= 0
```

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from flask import Flask
app = Flask(__name__)

@app.route('/')
def hello_world():
    return 'Hello, World!'
```

Code source: https://flask.palletsprojects.com/en/1.1.x/quickstart/

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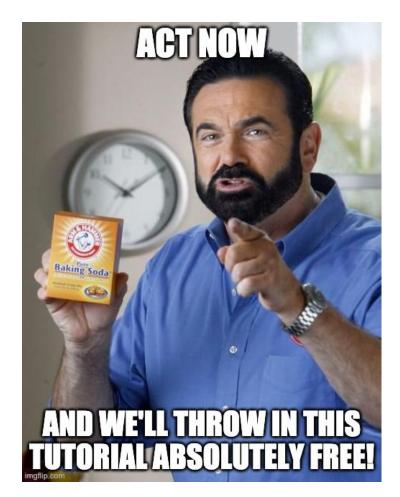
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