# 327: Object-oriented programming

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#### **Iterators**

for x in Iterator:

- Iterators are a common object-oriented pattern
- Classic...
  - for (int i=0, i< 10; i++) {
     printf("%d\n", arr[i]);}</pre>
- Iteration is controlled externally
- General iterator pattern...
  - while not iterator.done(): print(iterator.next())
- Iteration controlled internally

class Iterator:

def prev():

def current():

def set\_current(e):

#### **Iterators**

- This pattern is baked into many languages
  - Python, all for loops use iterators
  - Java, for each loops when an object implements Iterable interface
  - C++, incrementing/decrementing pointers steps through arrays (size aware) and classes can overload pointer operations

#### Iterator protocol

- An object that is "iterable" must implement \_\_iter\_\_\_
- This returns an Iterator object
- The iterator must implement \_\_next\_\_ and when it is done it must raise a StopIteration exception

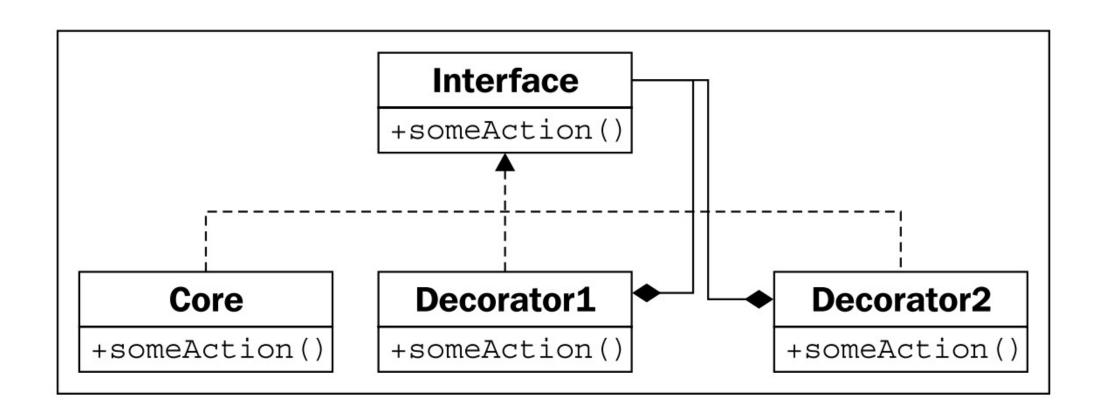
#### Iterators in Python

- for loops only work on iterators
- Also used for comprehensions and generators

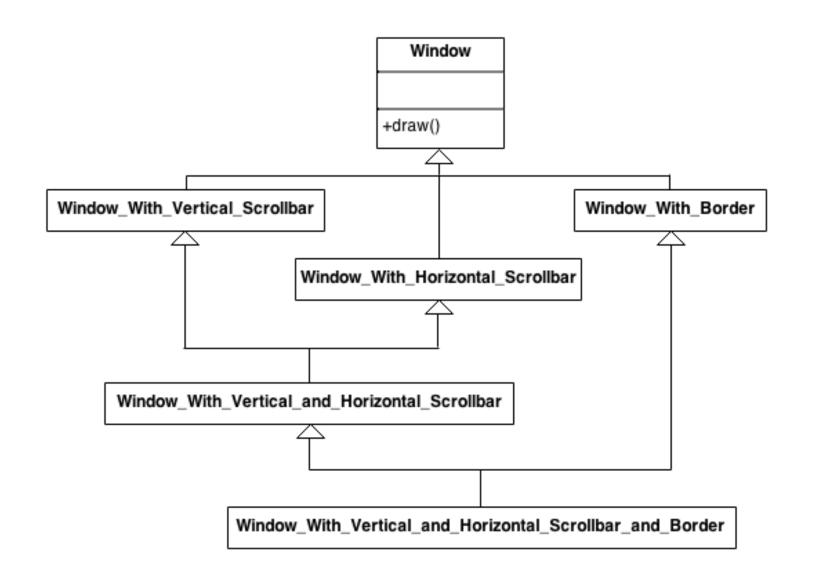
#### Decorator Pattern

- Structural pattern
- Add capabilities to an object dynamically (without monkey patching)
- Wrap an object with another object
- Can recursively wrap with more decorators
- Core interface remains untouched
- Another pattern that made its way into Python syntax

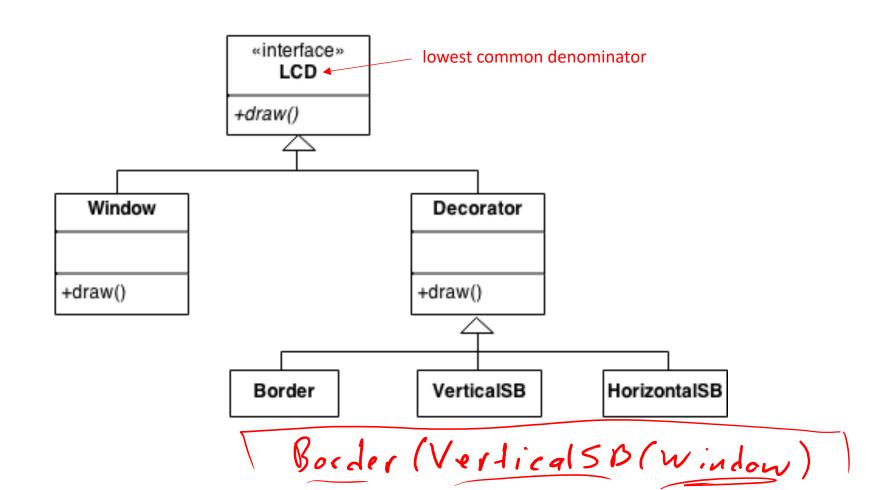
#### Decorator class diagram

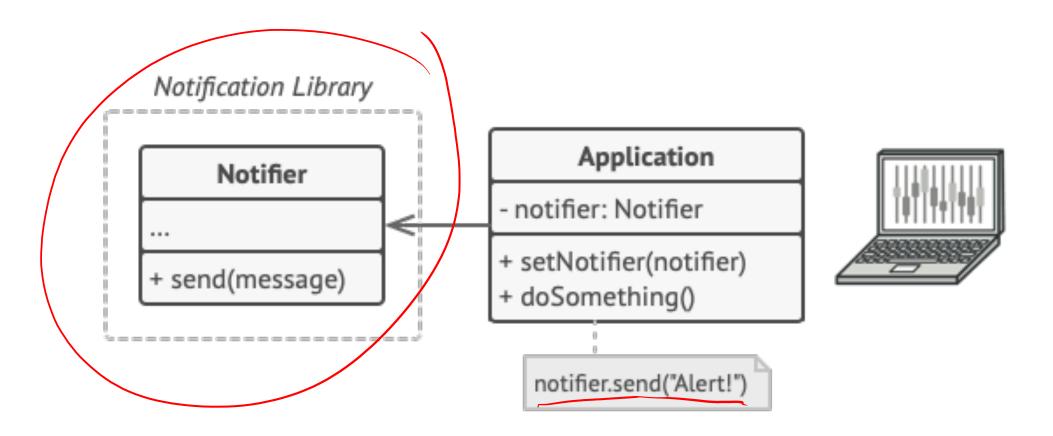


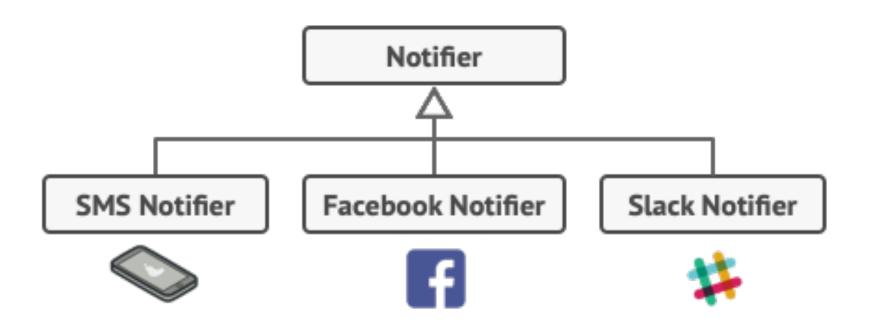
## User interface example

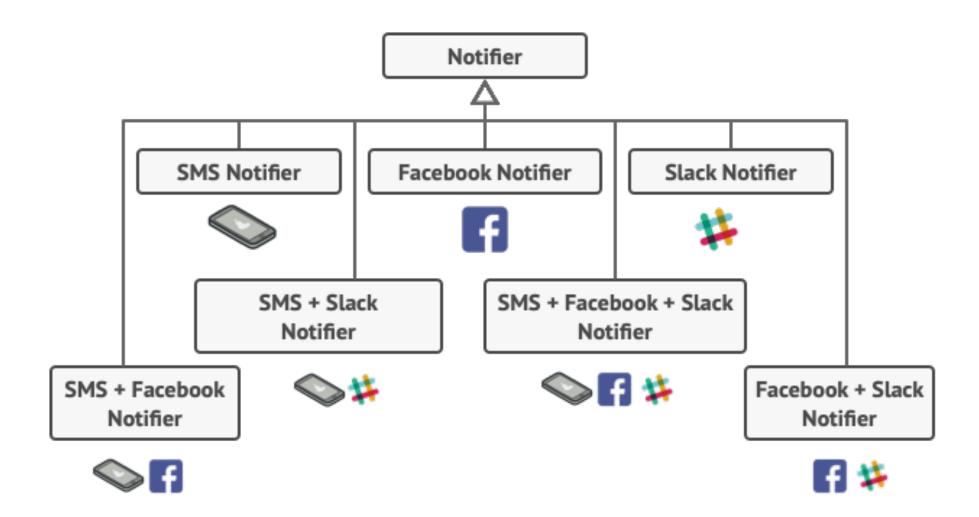


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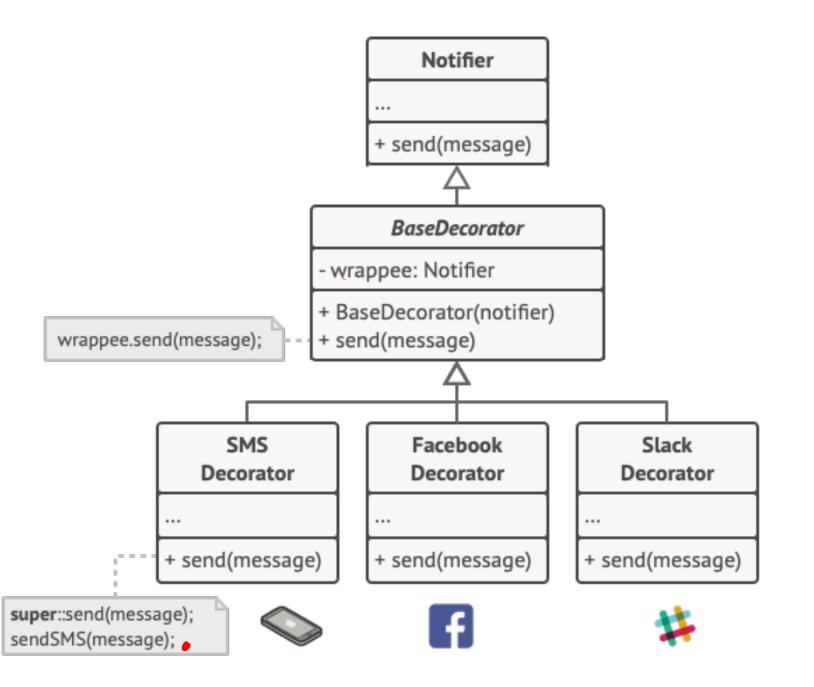






## Inheritance vs "Composition"

- Note that, is sometimes "composition" used as a catch all term for "has-a" relationships
- Inheritance is static
- "has-a" relationships are more flexible by swapping out a reference
  - Inheritance is kind of like composition if you think about the subclass as holding a reference to the parent
  - that reference can't be changed, and you only get one (unless willing to deal with multiple inheritance)



stack = new Notifier()

if (facebookEnabled)

stack = new FacebookDecorator(stack)

if (slackEnabled)

stack = new SlackDecorator(stack)

app.setNotifier(stack)

#### Application

- notifier: Notifier
- + setNotifier(notifier)
- + doSomething() o



notifier.send("Alert!")

/ Email → Facebook → Slack

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## Decorators in Python

- In addition to decorating objects...
- Can also decorate functions
  - Remember functions are objects
- Special syntax for statically defined decorators
  - @decorator\_name before definition
  - we've seen this before
  - less powerful
    - baked into the source code
    - can't do it at runtime
  - often easier to read