Decorators

Adding Functionality to Existing Code

@decorators @decorators

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Functions Returning Functions

Function Returning Function



A function can also generate another function

```
def hello_function():
    def say_hi():
        return "Hi"
    return say_hi
hello = hello_function()
print(hello())
```



Closure



- Python allows a nested function to access the outer scope of the enclosing function
- This is called closure and is a critical concept in decorators

```
def print_message(message):
    def message_sender():
        "Nested Function"
        print(message)
    message_sender()

print_message("Some random message")
```

Problem: Number Increment



You are given the following code

```
def number_increment(numbers):
    def increase():
        # TODO: Implement
    return increase()
```

Complete the code so it works as expected

```
print(number_increment([1, 2, 3])) [2, 3, 4]
```

Solution: Number Increment



```
def number_increment(numbers):
    def increase():
        increased = [x + 1 for x in numbers]
        return increased
    return increase()
The increase
```

The increase function increases each element and returns the new numbers



Definition and Usage

Decorators Definition



- Decorators are a very powerful and useful tool
- It allows programmers to modify the behavior of a function or a class
- Decorators allow us to wrap another function in order to extend the behavior of the wrapped function



Creating Decorators



 In the example below we create a decorator function that converts a sentence to upper case

```
def uppercase(function):
    def wrapper():
        result = function()
        uppercase_result = result.upper()
        return uppercase_result
    return wrapper
```

Using Decorators



- Our decorator function takes a function as an argument, so let us define a function and pass it to our decorator
- We learned earlier that we could assign a function to a variable
- We'll use that trick to call our decorator function

```
def say_hi():
    return 'hello there'

decorate = uppercase_decorator(say_hi)
    decorate()
```

Decorators and "@"



- However, Python provides a much easier way for us to apply decorators
- We simply use the @ symbol before the function we would like to decorate 23456

```
@uppercase
def say_hi():
    return 'hello there'
print(say_hi()) # HELLO THERE
```

functools.wraps()



 In the given example, if we try to call the name of the wrapped function the result is "wrapper", and its docstring is lost

```
@uppercase
def say_hi():
    """Saying Hi"""
    return "hello there"

print(say_hi.__name__) # wrapper
print(say_hi.__doc__) # None
```

functools.wraps()



 To solve this problem, we use a decorator factory as a function decorator when defining a wrapper function

```
from functools import wraps
def uppercase(function):
    @wraps(function)
    def wrapper():
        result = function()
        uppercase_result = result.upper()
        return uppercase_result
    return wrapper
```

Problem: Vowel Filter



You are given the following code

```
def vowel_filter(function):
    def wrapper():
        # TODO: Implement
    return wrapper
```

Complete the code so it works as expected

```
@vowel_filter
def get_letters():
    return ["a", "b", "c", "d", "e"]
print(get_letters())
["a", "e"]
```

Solution: Vowel Filter



```
def vowel_filter(function):
    def wrapper():
        res = function()
        filtered = [x for x in res if x.lower() in "aeiou"]
        return filtered
    return wrapper
```



Accepting Arguments



- Sometimes, we might need to define a decorator that accepts arguments
- We achieve this by passing the arguments to the wrapper function
- The arguments will then be passed to the function that is being decorated at call time



Accepting Arguments: Example



```
from time import time
def measure_time(func):
    def wrapper(*args, **kwargs):
        start = time()
        result = func(*args, **kwargs)
        end = time()
        print(end - start)
        return result
    return wrapper
```



Problem: Even Numbers



You are given the following code

```
def even_numbers(function):
    def wrapper(numbers):
       # TODO: Implement
    return wrapper
```

Complete the code so it works as expected

```
@even_numbers
def get_numbers(numbers):
    return numbers
print(get_numbers([1, 2, 3, 4, 5]))
```



[2, 4]

Solution: Even Numbers



```
def even_numbers(function):
    def wrapper(numbers):
        res = [x for x in numbers if x % 2 == 0]
        return function(res)
    return wrapper
```





Passing Arguments



- In order to achieve this, we define a decorator maker that accepts arguments
- Then we define a decorator inside it
- We then define a wrapper function inside the decorator as we did earlier



Passing Arguments: Example



```
def repeat(n):
    def decorator(func):
        def wrapper(*args, **kwargs):
            for _ in range(n):
                func(*args, **kwargs)
        return wrapper
    return decorator
@repeat(4)
def say_hi():
    print("Hello")
```

Problem: Multiply



You are given the following code

```
def multiply(times):
    def decorator(function):
        # TODO: Implement
    return decorator
```

Complete the code so it works as expected

```
@multiply(3)
def add_ten(number):
    return number + 10
print(add_ten(3))
```

Solution: Multiply



```
def multiply(times):
    def decorator(function):
        def wrapper(params):
        return times * function(params)
        return wrapper
    return decorator
```



@property@staticmethod@classmethod

Decorating Methods in Classes

Examples

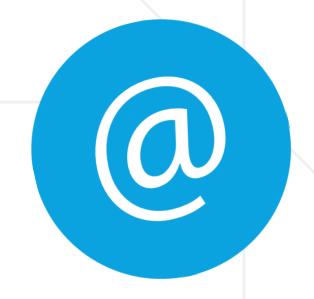


- @classmethod decorator function that converts a method to a class method
- @abstractmethod decorator function that converts an instance method to an abstract instance method
- @abstractclassmethod decorator function that converts a class method to an abstract class method
- @property change your class methods/attributes so that the user of a class doesn't need to make any change in their code

Example: property decorator



```
class Person:
  def __init__(self):
      self.__name = ''
  @property
  def name(self):
      return self. name
  @name.setter
  def name(self, value):
      self.__name = value
```



@Fibonacci **Classes as Decorators**

Classes as Decorators



- We can also use classes as decorators
- We usually do that when we need to maintain a state
- To use a class as a decorator, we need to implement the __call__ method
- The __call__ method allows class instances to be called as functions



Example: __call__ method



```
class Fibonacci:
   def __init__(self):
       self.cache = {}
   def __call__(self, n):
        if n not in self.cache:
            if n == 0:
               self.cache[0] = 0
            elif n == 1:
                self.cache[1] = 1
            else:
                self.cache[n] = self(n-1) + self(n-2)
        return self.cache[n]
```

Example: __call__ method



```
fib = Fibonacci()
for i in range(5):
    print(fib(i))
print(fib.cache)
# 0
# {0: 0, 1: 1, 2: 1, 3: 2, 4: 3}
```

Example: Class Decorator



```
class func logger:
   _logfile = 'out.log'
    def __init__(self, func):
        self.func = func
    def __call__(self, *args):
        log_string = self.func.__name__ + " was called"
        with open(self._logfile, 'a') as opened_file:
            opened_file.write(log_string + '\n')
        return self.func(*args)
```

Example: Class Decorator



```
@func_logger
def say_hi(name):
    print(f"Hi, {name}")
@func_logger
def say_bye(name):
    print(f"Bye, {name}")
say_hi("Peter")
say_bye("Peter")
```



out.log

say_hi was called
say_bye was called

Summary



- Functions can return other functions
- When a nested function accesses the outer scope of the enclosing function, it is called a closure
- Decorators wrap another function to extend the behavior of the wrapped function





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