kill the helpers

presenting decorators

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beautiful view code (?)

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.cus_head
  - if @customer.is_company?
    = "Company: " + @customer.username.upcase
    = "User: " + @customer.username.downcase
 = @customer.login? ? "(is in)" : "(is out)"
  .cus_img
   - if @customer.login?
      = image_tag(customer_image(@customer), :height => '64')

    else

      = @customer.is_company? ?
        image_tag('company_logged_out.png', :height => '64') : image_tag('user_logged_out.jpg', :height => '64')
%d1
 %dt Full name:
 %dd= @customer.first_name + " " + @customer.last_name
  %dt Email:
 %dd= @customer.is_company? ? @customer.email : "N / A"
  %dt Fon:
  %dd= @customer.login? && @customer.is_company? ?
   format_phone_number(@customer.fon_country, @customer.fon_city, @customer.fon) : "N / A"
  %dt Twitter:
 %dd= @customer.twitter_name.present? ? twitter_link(@customer.twitter_name) : "N / A"
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why change anything?

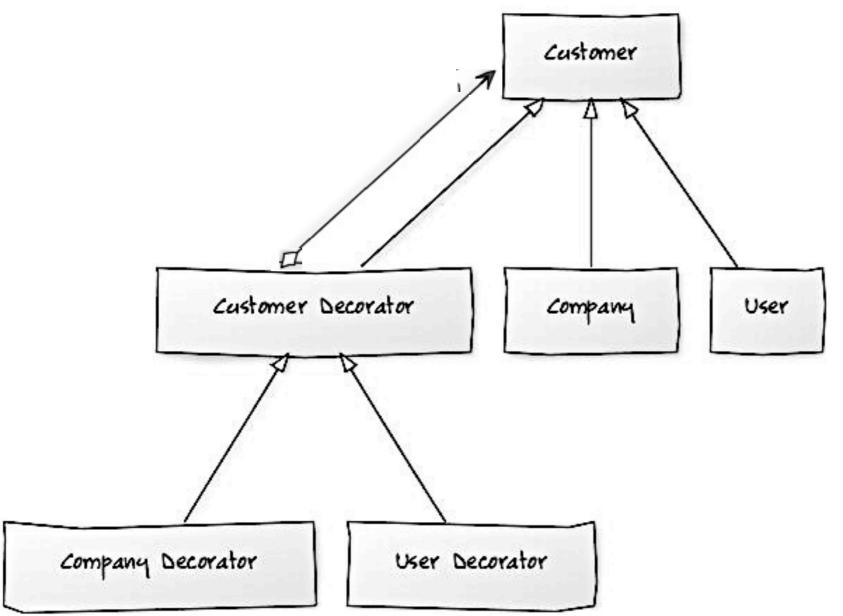
Do you like the clarity of your view code?

Do you like the OO style of Ruby and Rails?

Why do you use functional helpers than?

Are you struggling where to put the logic in?

decorator pattern



see also: Erich Gamma, Richard Helm, Ralph Johnson, John Vlissides: *Design Patterns*. *Elements of Reusable Object-Oriented Software*.

decorator pattern

lightweight implementation

keep business logic in model

encapsulates presentation logic

slim and simplified views

easily extendable and testable



draper

gem to use Decorator Patterns in Rails

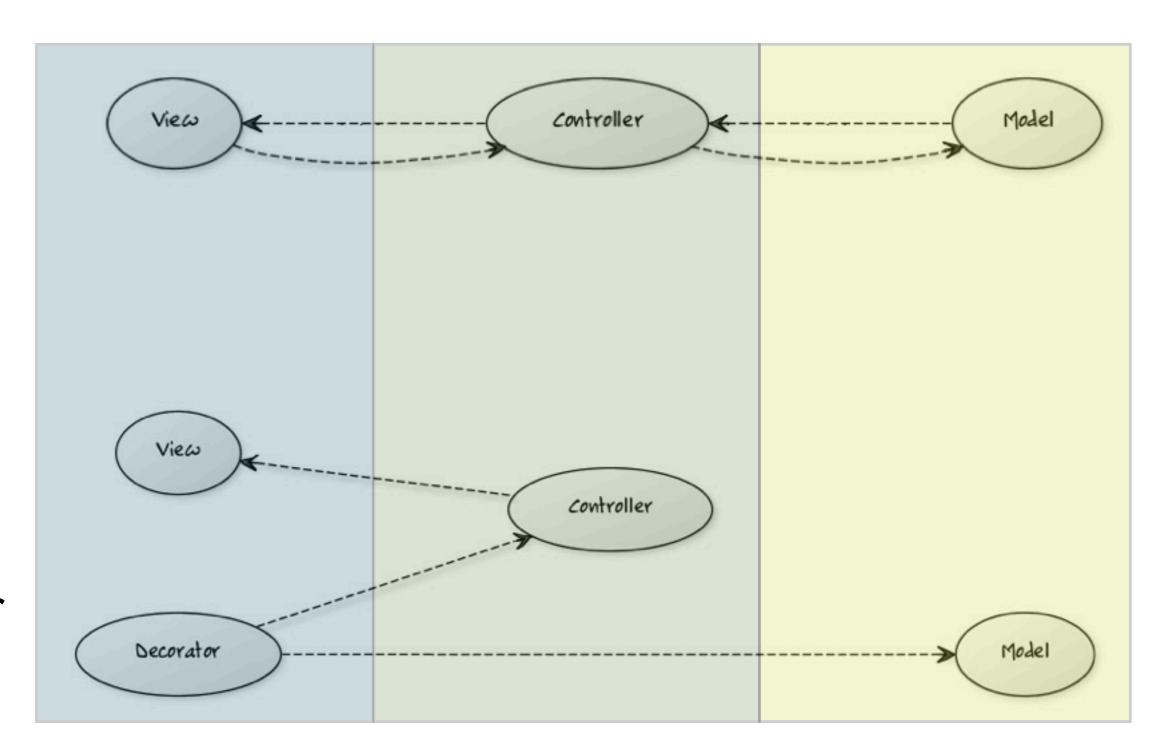
https://github.com/jcasimir/draper

written and maintained by Jeff Casimir

draper

classic MVC

MVC with draper



draper

Goals

replace most helpers with an object-oriented approach

filter data at the presentation level

enforce an interface between your controllers and view templates

live demo

kill your helpers

create an interface

extract formatting out of the view

live demo



In the live coding session we showed some parts of our simple example code. Just watch the railscasts about draper and the presenter to get an idea;-)

what was this all about?

object-oriented approach

removing logic from view templates

more clear code organization

interface to the frontend

easy testing in isolation

let's talk

any questions?

any thoughts?

any impression?

any experience?

Please share now!

let's talk



Thank you!

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https://github.com/mediafinger/rails_presenter_with_draper