

→ "Python Decorators"

In python decorator is a function that modifies the behaviour of another function without changing its source code. It is a way to add functionality to existing functions in a reusable & elegant manner.

A decorator is applied to a function using the @ symbol, followed by the decorator name, placed directly above the function definition. When the decorated function is called, the decorator function is executed first, modifying the function's behaviour before the original function is executed.

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Eg: def my_decorator(func):
    def wrapper():
        print("Before calling the function.")
        func()
        print("After calling the function.")
    return wrapper.
```

```
@my_decorator
def say_hello():
    print("Hello!")

say_hello()
```

O/p: Before calling the function.
Hello!
After calling the function.

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In this example, my-decorator takes the function say-hello as an argument & returns a modified version of it called wrapper.

The @my-decorator syntax applies the decorator to say-hello, so when say-hello() is called, it is actually the wrapper function that gets executed.

Another Example is

```
def my-decorator(some_function):  
    def wrapper(num):  
        print("Inside wrapper to check odd/even")  
        if num % 2 == 0:  
            ret = "Even"  
        else:  
            ret = "Odd"  
        some_function(num)  
        return ret  
    print("wrapper function is called")  
    return wrapper.
```

@my-decorator

```
def my-function(x):  
    print("The number is", x)
```

no = 10

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print("It is ", my-function(no))
```

O/p: wrapper function is called
Inside wrapper to check odd/even
The number is 10
It is Even