

Code Snippets to accompany slides for
A Dinosaur and a Python Walk Into a Bar

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BEGINNER DECORATOR EXAMPLE

```
def my_decorator(func):  
    def wrapper():  
        print("Before the function is called.")  
        result = func()  
        print("After the function is called.")  
        return result  
    return wrapper
```

use as

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

```
##### TIMESTAMP #####
```

```
import datetime
```

```
...
```

```
def fnsGetTimestamp(self):
```

```
    '''Return timestamp with or without milliseconds.  
    '''
```

```
    if self.bTimeHires:
```

```
        return datetime.now().strftime('%Y%m%d_%H%M%S.%f')[:-3]
```

```
    else:
```

```
        return datetime.now().strftime('%Y%m%d_%H%M%S')
```

```
==>
```

```
20201103_153703.284
```

```
or
```

```
20201103_153703
```

ENVIRONMENT VARIABLE CONTROL

bash command in the shell:

```
export some_env_var=some_value
```

e.g.,

```
export TRACE_LEVEL=3
```

and restart the program.

```
try:
    tracelevel = int(os.getenv("TRACE_LEVEL", defaultlevel))
except ValueError: # Take default if not int
    tracelevel = int(defaultlevel)
```

Beware: the value returned from `getenv()` is always a string even if it looks like an int

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Currently implemented:

TRACE_LEVEL	level of detail
TRACE_TARGET	standard and/or HTML
TRACE_FILE	filename
TRACE_FACIL	facility codes to trace or not
TRACE_TIME	seconds or milliseconds
TRACE_PRODUCTION	turn off all tracing

LOOKING AT OUTPUT

```
export TRACE_LEVEL=3  
python whateverprogram.py 2>&1 | less
```

'less' utility makes it easy to scroll and search in output stream

```
##### IF PRODUCTION MODE #####
```

```
# If in PRODUCTION mode, skip over all the printing.
```

```
def ntrace(self, level, line):
    if (not self.isProduction() or level == 0):
        # (real trace code)
        . . .
    else:          # If in production mode and level > 0
        pass      # do nothing.
```

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```

```
# Same for the decorator definitions.
```

```
if NTRC.isProduction():
    def ntrace(func):
        return func      # Null decorator, does nothing.
else:
    def ntrace(func):
        @wraps(func)
        def wrapper(*args, **kwargs):
            . . .
        return wrapper
```

```
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```

```
export TRACE_PRODUCTION=YES
```

```
##### IMPORTS #####
```

```
# Import module to get singleton instance and decorator functions
```

```
from NewTrace import NTRC, ntrace, ntracef
```



```
##### SINGLETON INSTANCE OF CLASS #####
```

```
# Make a singleton of the NewTrace instance (from ActivePython).
```

```
class Singleton(type):
    _instances = {}
    def __call__(cls, *args, **kwargs):
        if cls not in cls._instances:
            cls._instances[cls] = super(Singleton, cls).__call__(*args, **kwargs)
            cls._provenance = "singleton instance of class %s" % cls._instances[cls]
        return cls._instances[cls]

class CSingletonNewTrace(CNewTrace):
    __metaclass__ = Singleton
    _whatsit = "singleton instance of class NewTrace"

# NEW VERSION NTRC INSTANCE
NTRC = CSingletonNewTrace()
```

SPECIFIC INSERTED TRACE CALLS

Simple. Just like sprinkling print() but more informative.

```
NTRC.ntracef(3, "READ", "proc fdGetParams1 file not found |%s|" % (mysFile))
```

==>

```
20210107_222604 3 READ  proc fdGetParams1 file not found |../hl/servers.csv|
```

or

```
NTRC.ntracef(3, "FMT", "proc FormatQuery item key|%s| val|%s| result|%s|"
```

```
    % (sAttrib, sValue, result))
```

==>

```
20210108_130214 3 FMT    proc FormatQuery item key|nDocSize| val|50| result|50|
```

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```
# Less simple: contains a lot of information useful for debugging.
NTRC.ntracef(3, "SERV", "proc mAddDocument serv|%s| id|%s| "
    "docid|%s| size|%s| assigned to shelfid|%s| remaining|%s|"
    % (self.sName, self.ID, mysDocID, cDoc.nSize, sShelfID,
        cShelf.nFreeSpace))

# Note continued string on separate lines (easy with quotes), and
# continued tuple of values (easy with parens).

# Yes, "string % (values)" rather than f-strings because
# 1. Python 2 when starting out;
# 2. I think it's actually more readable;
# 3. Dinosaur.
==>
20210107_222605 3 SERV  proc mAddDocument serv|Desperate Backup 11| id|V1| docid|D2|
size|50| assigned to shelfid|H01| remaining|9999900|
```

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```
# Priority level 0 can be used for lines that should *always* print,  
# even in production mode.
```

```
20210107_222604 0 MAIN  proc Document Preservation simulation
```

```
. . .
```

```
20210107_222608 0 MAIN  proc End time stats: wall|    4.011| cpu|    0.188|
```

DECORATOR VERSIONS

Vanilla version of function call with trace decorator.

@ntrace

def main(myInputFilename):

==>

20210107_222604 1 entr main args=('params.txt'),kw={}

. . .

20210107_222606 1 exit main result|None|

Chocolate function call with facility name that can be filtered or searched.

class CServer(object):

. . .

 @ntracef("SERV")

 def __init__(self,mysName,mynQual,mynShelfSize):

==>

20210107_222604 1 SERV entr __init__ <cls=CServer id=||> |('Desperate Backup 11', 1,
10) | kw={}

. . .

20210107_222604 1 SERV exit __init__ <cls=CServer id=V1|> result|None|

Note that class instance ID is listed on exit.

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Tutti-fruity version of function call.

@ntracef("UTIL", level=5)

def fnsGetTimeStamp():

. . .

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# Can even declare multiple facilities for filtering later.
# Facility code "SHOW" might be for things that I really, really want to see
# when I've filtered out everything else.
    @ntracef("SHOW")
    @ntracef("SERV")
    def __init__(self,mysName,mynQual,mynShelfSize):
==>
20210107_222604 1 SHOW  entr  __init__  <cls=CServer id=|> |('Desperate Backup 11', 1,
10) | kw={}
20210107_222604 1 SERV  entr  __init__  <cls=CServer id=|> |('Desperate Backup 11', 1,
10) | kw={}
. . .
20210107_222604 1 SERV  exit  __init__  <cls=CServer id=|V1|> result|None|
20210107_222604 1 SHOW  exit  __init__  <cls=CServer id=|V1|> result|None|
```

```
# Show return result on exit from function.
@ntracef("READ")
def fdGetParams(sFile, lGuide):
==>
20210107_222604 1 READ  entr fdGetParams args=('../hl/installtest/clients.csv',
['Institution', ['Collection', 'Quality', 'Count']],kw={}
. . .
20210107_222604 1 READ  exit fdGetParams result|{'MIT': [['Mags', 1, 10]]}|

or

@ntrace
def fnbValidateDir(sPath):
==>
20210108_130214 1      entr fnbValidateDir args=('../hl/a0',),kw={}
. . .
20210108_130214 1      exit fnbValidateDir result|True|
```

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# Easy to follow logic in the ntrace listing.
# Mainly entries and exits, with a few added trace lines.
# Note that the same function names may appear in different facilities (modules).
20210107_222606 1 SERV  entr mAddDocument <cls=CServer id=|V1|> |('D9782', 'T1')| kw={}
20210107_222606 1 SHLF  entr mAcceptDocument <cls=CShelf id=|H01|> |('D9782', 50, 'T1')|
kw={}
20210107_222606 1 SHLF  entr mAddDocument <cls=CShelf id=|H01|> |('D9782', 'T1')| kw={}
20210107_222606 1 COPY  entr  __init__ <cls=CCopy id=||> |('D9782', 'T1', 'V1')| kw={}
20210107_222606 1 COPY  exit  __init__ <cls=CCopy id=|X9782|> result|None|
20210107_222606 3 SHLF  proc mAddDocument made copy|X9782| of doc|D9782| from client|T1|
20210107_222606 1 COPY  entr mShelveCopy <cls=CCopy id=|X9782|> |('V1', 'H01', 489051,
489100)| kw={}
20210107_222606 1 COPY  exit mShelveCopy <cls=CCopy id=|X9782|>
result|X9782+V1+H01+[489051,489100]|
20210107_222606 1 DOC    entr mCopyPlacedOnServer <cls=CDocument id=|D9782|> |('X9782',
'V1')| kw={}
20210107_222606 1 DOC    exit mCopyPlacedOnServer <cls=CDocument id=|D9782|>
result|D9782+X9782+V1|
20210107_222606 1 SHLF  exit mAddDocument <cls=CShelf id=|H01|>
result|V1+H01+D9782+X9782|
20210107_222606 1 SHLF  exit mAcceptDocument <cls=CShelf id=|H01|> result|True|
20210107_222606 3 SERV  proc mAddDocument serv|Desperate Backup 11| id|V1| docid|D9782|
size|50| assigned to shelfid|H01| remaining|9510900|
20210107_222606 1 SERV  exit mAddDocument <cls=CServer id=|V1|> result|V1+H01+D9782|

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# All comes out in the same millisecond. Processing impact light.
20210108_183424.018 1 SERV  entr mAddDocument <cls=CServer id=|V1|> |('D9782', 'T1')|
kw={}
20210108_183424.018 1 SHLF  entr mAcceptDocument <cls=CShelf id=|H01|> |('D9782', 50,
'T1')| kw={}
20210108_183424.018 1 SHLF  entr mAddDocument <cls=CShelf id=|H01|> |('D9782', 'T1')|
kw={}
20210108_183424.018 1 COPY  entr  __init__ <cls=CCopy id=||> |('D9782', 'T1', 'V1')| kw={}
20210108_183424.018 1 COPY  exit  __init__ <cls=CCopy id=|X9782|> result|None|
20210108_183424.018 3 SHLF  proc mAddDocument made copy|X9782| of doc|D9782| from
client|T1|
20210108_183424.018 1 COPY  entr mShelveCopy <cls=CCopy id=|X9782|> |('V1', 'H01',
489051, 489100)| kw={}
20210108_183424.018 1 COPY  exit mShelveCopy <cls=CCopy id=|X9782|>
result|X9782+V1+H01+[489051,489100]|
20210108_183424.018 1 DOC  entr mCopyPlacedOnServer <cls=CDocument id=|D9782|>
|('X9782', 'V1')| kw={}
20210108_183424.018 1 DOC  exit mCopyPlacedOnServer <cls=CDocument id=|D9782|>
result|D9782+X9782+V1|
20210108_183424.018 1 SHLF  exit mAddDocument <cls=CShelf id=|H01|>
result|V1+H01+D9782+X9782|
20210108_183424.018 1 SHLF  exit mAcceptDocument <cls=CShelf id=|H01|> result|True|
20210108_183424.018 3 SERV  proc mAddDocument serv|Desperate Backup 11| id|V1|
docid|D9782| size|50| assigned to shelfid|H01| remaining|9510900|
20210108_183424.018 1 SERV  exit mAddDocument <cls=CServer id=|V1|> result|V1+H01+D9782|

```


INSTANCE IDENTIFIERS

```
# When you have many instances, it is much easier to pass string identifiers
# rather than instances (addresses).
# Note use of string identifiers for instances rather than actual instance pointers.
# Takes little time (one dictionary lookup, not a big deal) but saves lives.
20210107_222605 1 DOC    entr  __init__  <cls=CDocument id=||> |(50, 'T1', 'C1')| kw={}
20210107_222605 3 DOC    proc  init client|T1| created doc|D9706| size|50|
20210107_222605 1 DOC    exit  __init__  <cls=CDocument id=|D9706|> result|None|
```

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# Create id attribute in instance's __init__().
20210107_222605 1 COPY    entr  __init__  <cls=CCopy id=||> |('D17', 'T1', 'V3')| kw={}
. . .
20210107_222605 1 COPY    exit  __init__  <cls=CCopy id=|X20017|> result|None|
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# Cheap way to make unique IDs for class instances.
import itertools

. . .
#<global to the class>
# Note: getID() calls next() on the itertools count() function.
getID = itertools.count(1).next

. . .
#<in __init__>
self.ID = "V" + str(self.getID())

# yields a stream of IDs: V1, V2, V3, . . .
```

```
# Store the ID in a dictionary that translates to the instance
```

```
#<in __init__>
```

```
    self.ID = "D" + str(self.getID())
```

```
    dID2Document[self.ID] = self
```

```
# And get the instance back from the ID.
```

```
    cDoc = dID2Document[sDocID]
```

```
# Sort a dictionary of IDs by number
```

```
# so you get [A1, A2, A11, A12] instead of [A1, A11, A12, A2].
```

```
@ntracef("UTIL")
```

```
def fnSortIDDict(dIn):
```

```
    '''
```

```
    Sort a dictionary with keys of the form <letter><number>.
```

```
    Return a tuple of item tuples from the dict in numeric key order.
```

```
    (Readable code rather than unmaintainable one-liner.)
```

```
    '''
```

```
    lTmp1 = ((fnIntPlease(x[0][1:]), x) for x in dIn.items())
```

```
    lTmp2 = sorted(lTmp1, key=lambda y: y[0])
```

```
    lTmp3 = (z[1] for z in lTmp2)
```

```
    return tuple(lTmp3)
```

```
# Log input and processing parameters for the run
20210107_222604 MAIN INFO - Simulation parameters
20210107_222604 MAIN INFO - Command line|['main.py', '../hl', 'installtest', '0', '1',
'--lifek=693147', '--ncopies=1', '--audit=0', '--ndocuments=10000']|
20210107_222604 MAIN INFO - Usable CLI line|python2 main.py ../hl installtest 0 1
--lifek=693147 --ncopies=1 --audit=0 --ndocuments=10000|
20210107_222604 PARAMS INFO - familydir|../hl| specificdir|installtest|
20210107_222604 PARAMS INFO - RANDOM random seed|1|
20210107_222604 PARAMS INFO - begin simulation timelimit|100000|hr=|10|metricyr
defaultlimit|100000| hr=|10|metricyr
20210107_222604 PARAMS INFO - POLITE time|1000|msec
20210107_222604 PARAMS INFO - LOG logfile|-| loglevel|INFO|
20210107_222604 PARAMS INFO - TRACE traceproduction|False|
20210107_222604 PARAMS INFO - CLIENT client|MIT| collection|Mags| quality|1| ndocs|10|
20210107_222604 PARAMS INFO - ALLCLIENTS nDocuments|10000| override if nz
```