# **Python Decorators**

**Fun With Functions!** 

## **Functions**

Type This:

```
def add(x,y):
    return x + y
```

add(2,3)

## **Function Scope**

```
def add():
    x = 2
    y = 3
    return x+y
add()
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print x -- NO!
print y -- NOPE!
```

## Scope? Scope! What Th--!!

```
def add(x,y):
    print x
    print y
    return x+y
add(2,3)
print x
print y
```

#### **Functions in Functions**

#### TYPE THIS:

```
def math(x,y):
    def add():
        print "Adding",x,y
        return x+y

return add
```

## Stay Calm & Type This...

```
a = math(2,3)
```

a

a()

#### WHOA WHOA!

What the hell, yo?

Assigned the function 'add' with the params 2,3 Now have a new 'handle' to the add function; 'a'

What is this black voo-doo magic!?

## Let's Look At It...

```
def math(x,y):
   print "You entered:", x, y
  def add():
     print "Adding", x,y
     return x + y
   return add
```

#### Closures

"An inner function which is returned as the result of the outer function is known as a closure."

You just wrote a 'closure'! w00t!!

## Why On EARTH Would I...

EVER want to do this?

I am \*so\* glad you asked!!