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# Decorators in Python

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## Implementation



There are 2 functions:

1. my\_decorator
2. disp

Step: 1 Apply decorator (@my\_decorator) before definition of disp() function

```
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# a 'function as parameter'  
# and 'returns' a function
```

```
def my_decorator(fun):  
    def inner_fun():  
        value = fun()  
        return value+2  
    return inner_fun
```

```
@my_decorator
```

```
def disp():  
    return 10
```

```
print(disp())
```

Step: 1  
Apply decorator to  
function disp()

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**Step: 2** Since we have written decorator (**@my\_decorator**) which is written before `disp()` function, python compiler will pass function **disp (disp())** as parameter i.e.,

**my\_decorator(fun()) --> my\_decorator(disp()).**

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**disp() function  
Passed as Parameter  
to my\_decorator()**

**REASON:  
Decorator is  
implemented before  
definition of disp()**

**Step: 2  
call function**

**Step: 3** Python compiler **WILL NOT execute** `def inner_fun()` as we have not called the function i.e., only function is defined here.

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**Step:3  
Python compiler will  
skip executing  
inner\_fun() as it is  
not called**

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Step: 4 Next, python compiler will execute return **inner\_fun**

Reason: Here **inner\_fun()** is called

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Step4: inner\_fun() is called

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Step5: Now, Python Compiler executes inner\_fun()

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Step: 6 Python compiler will execute the parameter **fun()**

**NOTE:** **fun()** -> will execute the value/function name it holds  
i.e., it executes **disp()**

**fun()** -> **disp()** will return value 10

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**Step6:**  
Now, **fun()** will hold  
**disp()** which  
return value 10

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Step: 7 **inner\_fun()** will return the output value of parameter **my\_decorator**

**fun()** i.e., **disp()** = 10  
and returns **10+2 = 12**

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**Step7:**  
**inner\_fun()** will return  
value **10+2 = 12**

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