## VII / Closures: part two

# Using closures as parameters when they accept parameters

=> a closure you pass into a function can also accept its own parameters.

Exemple: travel() function that accepts a closure as its only parameter

Function syntaxe:

```
func travel(action: (String) -> Void) {
   print("I'm getting ready to go.")
   action("London")
   print("I arrived!")
}

Trailing closure syntax:

travel { (place: String) in
   print("I'm going to \((place) in my car")
}
```

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## Using closures as parameters when they return values

=> Instead of () -> Void when a closure return nothing replace that Void with any type of data to force the closure to return a value.

Exemple 1:

```
func travel(action: (String) -> String) {
   print("I'm getting ready to go.")
   let description = action("London")
   print(description)
   print("I arrived!")
}
```

=> Now when we call travel() using trailing closure syntax, our closure code is required to accept a string and return a string:

```
travel { (place: String) -> String in
  return "I'm going to \((place)\) in my car"
}
```

#### When to use closures with return values as parameters to a function?

For example, if we wanted to reduce the array [10, 20, 30], it would work something like this:

- It would create a variable called **current** with a value set to the first item in its array. This is our starting value.
- It would then start a loop over the items in the array that got passed in, using the range 1... so that it counts from index 1 to the end.
- It would then call the closure with 10 (the current value) and 20 (the second value in the array).
- The closure might be reducing the array using addition, so it would add 10 to 20 and return the sum, 30.
- Our function would then call the closure with 30 (the new current value) and 30 (the third item in the array).
- The closure would add 30 to 30 and return the sum, which is 60.
- Our function would then send back 60 as its return value.

#### Exemple 2:

```
func reduce(_ values: [Int], using closure: (Int, Int) -> Int) -> Int {
    // start with a total equal to the first value

    var current = values[0]

    // loop over all the values in the array, counting from index 1 onwards

    for value in values[1...] {
        // call our closure with the current value and the array element,
        assigning its result to our current value
```

```
current = closure(current, value)
  }
  // send back the final current value
  return current
}
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let numbers = [10, 20, 30]
let sum = reduce(numbers) { (runningTotal: Int, next: Int) in
  runningTotal + next
}
print(sum)
Exemple 3:
func increaseBankBalance(start: Double, interestCalculator: () -> Double)
{
    print("Your current balance is \((start).")
    let interestRate = interestCalculator()
    let withInterest = start * interestRate
    print("You now have \((withInterest).")
increaseBankBalance(start: 200.0) {
    return 1.01
}
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```

## **Shorthand parameter names**

Exemple:

1.

```
func travel(action: (String) -> String) {
  print("I'm getting ready to go.")
  let description = action("London")
  print(description)
  print("I arrived!")
}
travel { (place: String) -> String in
  return "I'm going to \(place\) in my car"
}
 2. => Swift knows the parameter to that closure must be a string, so we
    can remove it:
travel { place -> String in
  return "I'm going to \(place\) in my car"
}
 3. => It also knows the closure must return a string, so we can remove
   that:
travel { place in
  return "I'm going to \((place)\) in my car"
}
 4. => As the closure only has one line of code that must be the one that
    returns the value, so Swift lets us remove the return keyword too:
travel { place in
  "I'm going to \(place) in my car"
```

5. => Swift has a shorthand syntax that lets you go even shorter. Rather than writing **place in** we can let Swift provide automatic names for the closure's parameters. These are named with a dollar sign, then a number counting from 0:

```
travel {
    "I'm going to \($0\) in my car"
}

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Closures with multiple parameters

=> This time our travel() function will require a closure that specifies where someone is traveling to, and the speed they are going. This means we need to use (String, Int) -> String for the parameter's type:

Exemple:
```

print(description)
print("I arrived!")
}

**func** travel(action: (String, Int) -> String) {

**let** description = action("London", 60)

print("I'm getting ready to go.")

=> using a trailing closure and shorthand closure parameter names

```
travel {
  "I'm going to \($0) at \($1) miles per hour." <- $0 = first parameter / $1
second parameter
}</pre>
```

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## **Returning closures from functions**

=> he same way that you can pass a closure to a function, you can get

#### closures returned from a function too.

- NB: The syntax for this is a bit confusing a first, because it uses ->
  twice: once to specify your function's return value, and a second time
  to specify your closure's return value.
- NB: Function that accepts no parameters, but returns a closure. The closure that gets returned must be called with a string, and will return nothing

```
Exemple:
```

```
func travel() -> (String) -> Void {
  return {
    print("I'm going to \($0)")
  }
}
```

=> call travel() to get back that closure, then call it as a function:

```
let result = travel()
result("London")
```

=> The most common situation is effectively this: I need a function to call, but I don't know what that function is. I know how to find out that function – I know who to ask to find the function – but I don't know myself.

Exemple 1: write a function that returned one random number between 1 and 10,

```
func getRandomNumber()-> Int {
    Int.random(in: 1...10)
}
```

=> That will return a random integer every time it's called

```
print(getRandomNumber())
```

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Exemple 2: function that returns a closure that, when called, will generate a random number from 1 through 10

```
func makeRandomGenerator() -> () -> Int {
  let function = { Int.random(in: 1...10) }
  return function
}
```

=> inside the function, we create a closure that wraps Int.random(in:

1...10) and send back that closure

```
let generator = makeRandomGenerator()
let random1 = generator()
print(random1)
```

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## **Capturing values**

=> use any external values inside your closure, Swift captures them - stores them alongside the closure, so they can be modified even if they don't exist any more.

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Exemple 1:
```

```
func travel() -> (String) -> Void {
  return {
    print("I'm going to \($0)")
  }
}
```

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```
=> to get back the closure, then call that closure freely:
let result = travel()
result("London")
=> Closure capturing happens if we create values in travel() that get used
inside the closure. For example, we might want to track how often the
returned closure is called:
func travel() -> (String) -> Void {
  var counter = 1
  return {
     print("\(counter). I'm going to \($0)")
    counter += 1
  }
}
=> it gets captured by the closure so it will still remain alive for that
closure.
result("London")
result("London")
result("London")
Check web site: https://alisoftware.github.io/swift/closures/2016/07/25/
closure-capture-1/
Exemple 2:
func visitPlaces() -> (String) -> Void {
  var places = [String: Int]()
  return {
     places[\$0, default: 0] += 1
     let timesVisited = places[$0, default: 0]
    print("Number of times I've visited \($0): \(timesVisited).")
  }
```

```
let visit = visitPlaces()
visit("London")
visit("New York")
visit("London")
Exemple 3:
func summonGenie(wishCount: Int) -> (String) -> Void {
    var currentWishes = wishCount
    return {
         if currentWishes > 0 {
              currentWishes -= 1
             print("You wished for \($0).")
             print("Wishes left: \(currentWishes)")
         } else {
             print("You're out of wishes.")
         }
    }
let genie = summonGenie(wishCount: 3)
genie("a Ferrari")
```

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