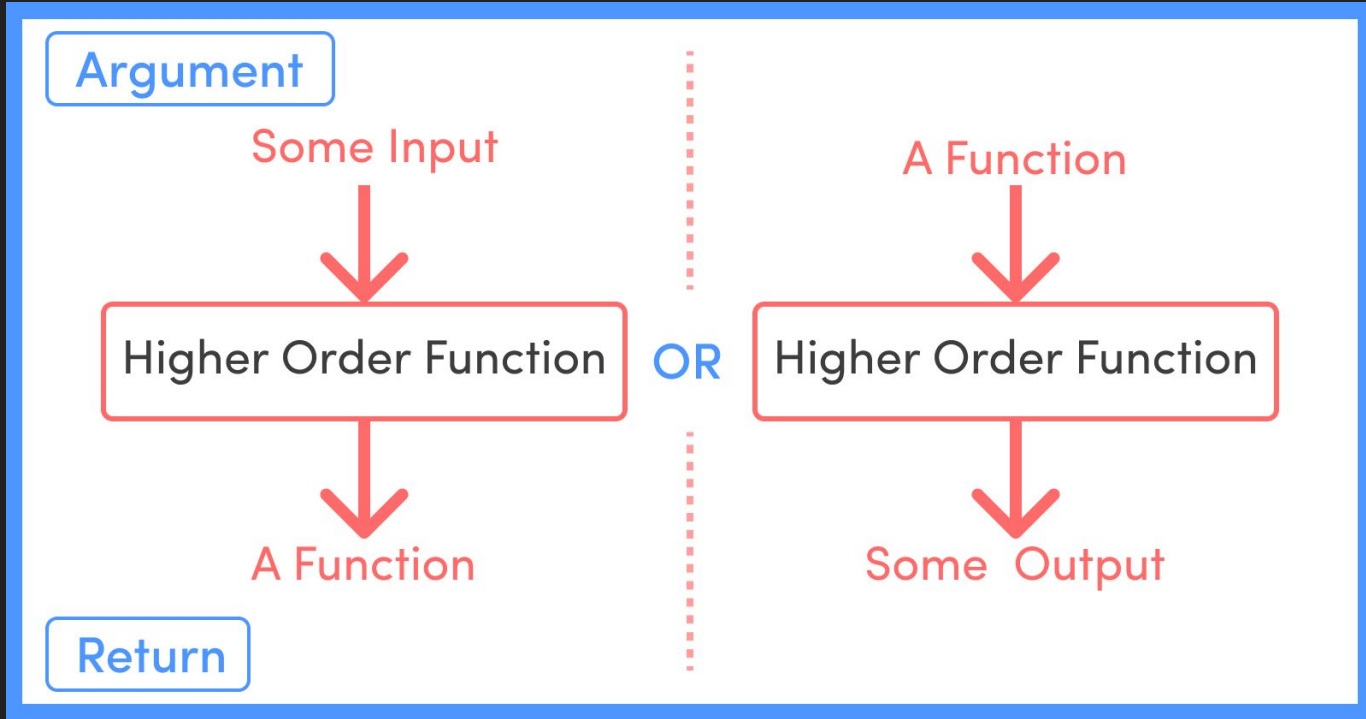


Higher-Order Functions

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What are Higher-order Functions?



Callback Functions

**A higher order function
takes a function as a
parameter**



```
const higherOrderFunction = (callback) → {  
  return callback()  
}
```



**A callback is a function
that is passed as
an argument**

Functional Programming

Pros and Cons of Functional Programming



Pros:

- ✓ Comprehensibility
- ✓ Concurrency
- ✓ Lazy evaluation
- ✓ Easier debugging and testing



Cons:

- ✗ Potentially poorer performance
- ✗ Coding difficulties
- ✗ No loops can be challenging

FUNCTIONS ARE VALUES!!!

Examples From CSCI 3155

```
def foldLeftAndThen[A,B](t: Tree)(z: A)(f: (A,Int) => A)(sc: A => B): B = {  
  def loop(acc: A, t: Tree)(sc: A => B): B = t match {  
    case Node(l, d, r) => loop(acc, l)((acc) => loop(f(acc, d), r)(sc))  
    case Empty => sc(acc)  
  }  
  loop(z, t)(sc)  
}
```

Higher-order Functions in C++?

Workaround

Higher-order Function ->

Lambda ->

```
void Foo()
{
    vector<int> v;
    v.push_back(1);
    v.push_back(2);
    v.push_back(3);
    for_each(begin(v), end(v), [](int i) {
        cout << i << " ";
    });
}
// Outputs:
// 1 2 3
```


transform()

```
int square_plus_one(int n){  
    return n*n+1;  
}
```

```
46 vector<int> nums{1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9};  
47  
48 cout<<"Before any functions:";  
49 for(vector<int>::iterator i=nums.begin();i!=nums.end();i++){  
50     cout<<" "<<*i<<" ";  
51 }  
52 cout<<endl;  
53  
54 //applies square_plus_one to nums and sets it to transform  
55 transform(nums.begin(),nums.end(),nums.begin(),square_plus_one);  
56  
57 //prints [2,5,10,17,26,37,50,65,82]  
58 cout<<"After transform:";  
59 for(vector<int>::iterator i=nums.begin();i!=nums.end();i++){  
60     cout<<" "<<*i<<" ";  
61 }  
62 cout<<endl;
```

remove_if()

```
bool is_odd(int n){  
    return n%2==1;  
}
```

```
//vector to array for second example  
int nums_arr[9];  
copy(nums.begin(),nums.end(),nums_arr);  
int* first=nums_arr;  
int* last=nums_arr+sizeof(nums_arr)/sizeof(int);  
  
//applies is_odd to num_arr and returns the last location that is_odd returns false  
last=remove_if(first,last,is_odd);  
  
//prints [2,10,26,50,82]  
cout<<"After remove_if:";  
for(int* i=first;i!=last;i++){  
    cout<<" "<<*i<<" ";  
}  
cout<<endl;
```

Classes and Polymorphism

```
class Calculator{
public:
    virtual int operator()(int a, int b) const{
        return 0;
    }
};

class Add: public Calculator{
public:
    int operator()(int a, int b) const{
        return a+b;
    }
};

class Multiply: public Calculator{
public:
    int operator()(int a, int b) const{
        return a*b;
    }
};

int operate(const Calculator& calc, int a, int b){
    return calc(a,b);
}
```

//classes to overload Calculator's original function

```
Add add;
Multiply mult;
```

```
cout<<"Addition of 2 and 7: "<<operate(add,2,7)<<endl;
cout<<"Multiplication of 2 and 7: "<<operate(mult,2,7)<<endl;
```

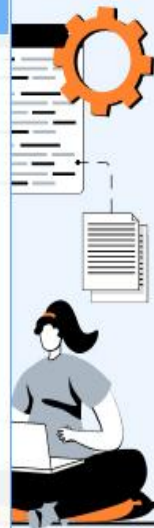
Benefits of Using Higher-order Functions

Object-oriented programming

- It is used for executing fewer operations with common behavior and different variants.
- It has a stateful programming model.
- It focusses on how are doing.
- It supports abstraction over data only.
- Conditional statements can be used like switch and if-else statements.
- A state exists.
- An object is the primary manipulation unit.
- Methods can have side effects and may impact processors.

Functional programming

- It is used for executing many different operations for which the data is fixed.
- It has a stateless programming model.
- It focusses on what we are doing.
- It supports abstraction over data and behavior.
- It doesn't support conditional statements.
- A state doesn't exist.
- Function is the primary manipulation unit.
- Functions don't affect the code.



Thank you for watching!