



PYTHON FOR COMPUTATIONAL PROBLEM SOLVING

Callback

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Callback Functions

- A callback function is a function that is **passed to another function as an argument**.

Example:

```
def process_data(data, callback):  
    result = [d * 2 for d in data]  
    callback(result)      # Call the callback function with the result  
  
def print_result(result): Call Back Function  
    print("Processed data:", result)  
  
data = [1, 2, 3]  
process_data(data, print_result)
```

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Need for Callback in Functions

- Used in **event-driven programming**, where a function is called in response to a specific event or action, such as a button press or the completion of a network request.
- Also used in **functional programming**, where a function is passed as an argument to another function to be used as a "hook" for performing specific operations.
- Helps to **separate functions' functionality** and **make code more reusable and modular**.

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Function: Callback

Example 1 (using built-in function):

```
s=["Hello", "Welcome", "to", "python", "world"]
```

```
print(sorted(s)) #The list is sorted based on the ASCII values only.
```

```
print(sorted(s, key=str.upper)) #Sort the list based on only the uppercase form of each letter
```

Output

```
['Hello', 'Welcome', 'python', 'to', 'world']
```

```
['Hello', 'python', 'to', 'Welcome', 'world']
```

Explanation

We are calling the `str.upper` function inside the sorted function. So, `str.upper` function is the callback function.

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Example 2 (using user-defined function):

```
def multiply(x):  
    return num_list[0]*num_list[1]  
  
def compute(func,x):  
    return func(x)  
  
num_list=[2,3]  
product=compute(multiply,num_list)  
print("Multiplication=",product)
```

Output

Multiplication= 6

Explanation

`compute(multiply,num_list)` – the caller function with 2 arguments,
1) a function, `multiply` and 2) a list, `num_list`

Here, `multiply` is the callback function.

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Example 3 : Multiple Callback functions

```
def function(func_list, x, y):  
    print("Inside function")  
    for func in func_list:  
        func(x,y)
```

```
def add(x,y):  
    z = x+y  
    print('Sum =',z)
```

```
def divide(x,y):  
    z = x/y  
    print('Quotient =',z)
```

```
cb_list=[add, divide]  
function(cb_list, 10, 5)
```

Output

```
Inside function  
Sum = 15  
Quotient = 2.0
```

Advantages of Callback Functions

- Calling function (outer function) can **call the callback function as many times as required** to complete the specified task.
- Calling function **can pass appropriate parameters according to the task** to the called functions. This allows **information hiding**.
- Improves **code modularity and reusability**
- Allows you to **dynamically change the working of a function** without changing its **core implementation**



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