



# Run custom functions

You can use arbitrary functions in the pipeline.

Note that all inputs to these functions need to be a SINGLE argument. If you have a function that accepts multiple arguments, you should write a wrapper that accepts a single input and unpacks it into multiple argument.

```
%pip install --upgrade --quiet langchain langchain-openai
```

```
from operator import itemgetter

from langchain_core.prompts import
ChatPromptTemplate
from langchain_core.runnables import
RunnableLambda
from langchain_openai import ChatOpenAI

def length_function(text):
    return len(text)
```

```
def _multiple_length_function(text1, text2):  
    return len(text1) * len(text2)  
  
def multiple_length_function(_dict):  
    return  
_multiple_length_function(_dict["text1"],  
_dict["text2"])  
  
prompt =  
ChatPromptTemplate.from_template("what is {a}  
+ {b}")  
model = ChatOpenAI()  
  
chain1 = prompt | model  
  
chain = (  
    {  
        "a": itemgetter("foo") |  
RunnableLambda(length_function),  
        "b": {"text1": itemgetter("foo"),  
"text2": itemgetter("bar")}  
    }  
    |  
RunnableLambda(multiple_length_function),  
    }  
    | prompt  
    | model  
)
```

```
chain.invoke({"foo": "bar", "bar": "gah"})
```

```
AIMessage(content='3 + 9 equals 12.')
```

## Accepting a Runnable Config

Runnable lambdas can optionally accept a **RunnableConfig**, which they can use to pass callbacks, tags, and other configuration information to nested runs.

```
from langchain_core.output_parsers import  
StrOutputParser  
from langchain_core.runnables import  
RunnableConfig
```

```
import json  
  
def parse_or_fix(text: str, config:  
RunnableConfig):  
    fixing_chain = (  
        ChatPromptTemplate.from_template(  
            "Fix the following  
text:\n\n```\n{input}\n```\nError:
```

```
{error}"
        " Don't narrate, just respond
with the fixed data."
    )
    | ChatOpenAI()
    | StrOutputParser()
)
for _ in range(3):
    try:
        return json.loads(text)
    except Exception as e:
        text =
fixing_chain.invoke({"input": text, "error":
e}, config)
    return "Failed to parse"
```

```
from langchain.callbacks import
get_openai_callback

with get_openai_callback() as cb:
    output =
RunnableLambda(parse_or_fix).invoke(
        "{foo: bar}", {"tags": ["my-tag"],
"callbacks": [cb]}
    )
    print(output)
    print(cb)
```

```
{'foo': 'bar'}
```

Tokens Used: 65

Prompt Tokens: 56

Completion Tokens: 9

Successful Requests: 1

Total Cost (USD): \$0.0001020000000000000001