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zero-overhead C++17 currying & partial application

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As I mentioned in [my previous article](https://vittorioromeo.info/index/blog/passing_functions_to_functions.html) (https://vittorioromeo.info/index/blog/passing_functions_to_functions.html) many features introduced in the latest C++ standards allow *functional patterns* to thrive in your codebase. Two ideas from that programming paradigm that I really like are **currying** (<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Currying>) and **partial application** (https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Partial_application).

In this article we're going to:

- Introduce and briefly explain the two aforementioned concepts.
- Write a generic `constexpr` zero-overhead `curry` function in C++17.
- Analyze the generated assembly of the implementation to prove the lack of overhead.

Currying

Let's begin by explaining currying.

In mathematics and computer science, **currying** is the technique of translating the evaluation of a function that takes multiple arguments (*or a tuple of arguments*) into evaluating a sequence of functions, each with a single argument.

([from Wikipedia](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Currying)) (<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Currying>)

The following `add3` function is an example of a *non-curried* function, as its *arity* (<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Arity>) is 3.

```
auto add3(int a, int b, int c)
{
    return a + b + c;
}

add3(1, 2, 3); // Returns `6`.
```

We can *curry* it by returning nested *lambda expressions* (<http://en.cppreference.com/w/cpp/language/lambda>).

```
auto curried_add3(int a)
{
    return [a](int b)
    {
        return [a, b](int c)
        {
            return a + b + c;
        };
    };
}

curried_add3(1)(2)(3); // Returns `6`.
```

wandbox example (<http://melpon.org/wandbox/permlink/HGACYHh1sV3knQGZ>)

As you can see, the arity of every lambda is 1. This pattern is useful because it allows developers to intuitively *bind* arguments incrementally until the last one. If you're finding yourself constantly using the same arguments except one in a series of function calls, currying avoids repetition and increases readability.

```

auto add2_one = curried_add3(1);
auto add1_three = add2_one(2);

add1_three(3); // Returns `6`.
add1_three(4); // Returns `7`.
add1_three(5); // Returns `8`.

```

wandbox example (<http://melpon.org/wandbox/permlink/7w4RUHqHEL1Y7Yx1>)

Basically, `add1_three(5)` is equivalent to `add2_one(2)(5)`, which is equivalent to `curried_add3(1)(2)(5)`.

A slightly more realistic example could involve `std::find` (<http://en.cppreference.com/w/cpp/algorithm/find>):

```

std::vector<std::string> names{/* ... */}

auto find_in_names =
    curried_find(std::begin(names))(std::end(names));

auto jack = find_in_names("Jack");
auto rose = find_in_names("Rose");

```

In the above code snippet some repetition between `std::find` invocations is cleanly avoided thanks to *currying*.

(*This short article* (<http://cukic.co/2013/08/07/curry-all-over-the-c11/>) by Ivan Čukić has some additional interesting examples of currying in C++.)

Partial application

In computer science, **partial application** (or **partial function application**) refers to the process of fixing a number of arguments to a function, producing another function of smaller arity.

(*from Wikipedia*) (https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Partial_application)

Despite them being two separate concepts, *partial application* is very similar to *currying*. Even though I couldn't find a formal confirmation anywhere, I believe that thinking about *partial application* as a "generalized form of *currying*" can be helpful: instead of binding one argument and getting (*arity* − 1) unary functions back, we can bind *n* arguments at once and get another *partially-applicable* function with (*arity* − *n*) arity.

Imagine we had add a `partial_add3` function which allowed *partial application* to sum three numbers:

```

partial_add3(1, 2, 3); // Returns `6`.
partial_add3(1)(2, 3); // Returns `6`.
partial_add3(1, 2)(3); // Returns `6`.
partial_add3(1)(2)(3); // Returns `6`. (Currying!)

```

As you can see, we can decide how many arguments to bind (*including zero*). We could easily implement this in C++17 using *recursion*, *generic lambdas* (<http://en.cppreference.com/w/cpp/language/lambda>), `if constexpr(...)` (http://en.cppreference.com/w/cpp/language/if#Constexpr_if), and *variadic templates* (http://en.cppreference.com/w/cpp/language/parameter_pack). (We'll also use a *fold expression* (<http://en.cppreference.com/w/cpp/language/fold>) to compute the sum.)

```

template <typename... Ts>
auto partial_add3(Ts... xs)
{
    static_assert(sizeof...(xs) <= 3);

    if constexpr (sizeof...(xs) == 3)
    {
        // Base case: evaluate and return the sum.
        return (0 + ... + xs);
    }
    else
    {
        // Recursive case: bind `xs...` and return another
        return [xs...](auto... ys)
        {
            return partial_add3(xs..., ys...);
        };
    }
}

```

wandbox example (<http://melpon.org/wandbox/permlink/AFmdO0Cpkt5zRcJC>)

Writing code that enables *currying* and *partial application* for every function is cumbersome. Let's write a generic `curry` function that, given a function object `f`, returns a *curried/partially-applicable* version of `f`!

C++17 `curry`

As mentioned in the beginning of the article, these are the goals for our `curry` function:

- Given a generic function object `f`, invoking `curry(f)` returns a *curried/partially-applicable* version of `f`.
- If `f` is `constexpr`-friendly, the returned one will be as well.
- `curry` should not introduce any overhead compared to hand-written *currying/partial application*.

Credit where it's due

Please note that the design and implementation of `curry` that I am going to cover is a *heavily-modified version* of [this snippet that was tweeted by Julian Becker](https://twitter.com/awtem/status/804781466852950017) (<https://twitter.com/awtem/status/804781466852950017>) - in fact, it was that tweet that inspired me to write this article. **Thanks!**

(Julian also wrote [an excellent answer](http://stackoverflow.com/questions/152005/how-can-currying-be-done-in-c/26768388#26768388) (<http://stackoverflow.com/questions/152005/how-can-currying-be-done-in-c/26768388#26768388>) on the StackOverflow question "How can currying be done in C++?" - make sure to check it out.)

Example usage

Before we analyze the *declaration* and *definition* of `curry`, let's take a look at some usage examples.

• Nullary functions:

```

auto greet = []{ std::puts("hi!\n"); };

greet(); // Prints "hi!".
curry(greet); // Prints "hi!".

// Compile-time error:
/* curry(greet)(); */

```

As you can see, in the case of a *nullary function object* `f`, invoking `curry(f)` calls the original object immediately.

• Unary functions:

```

auto plus_one = [](auto x){ return x + 1; };

plus_one(0); // Returns `1`.
curry(plus_one)(0); // Returns `1`.

// Returns a wrapper around `plus_one` that enables
// currying/partial application.
// `plus_one` is "perfectly-captured" in the wrapper.
auto curried_plus_one = curry(plus_one);

curried_plus_one(1); // Returns `2`.

```

What does *perfectly-captured* mean?

It means that if the captured object is an *lvalue*, it will be captured *by reference*. If the captured object is an *rvalue*, it will be *captured by move**. I've written a comprehensive article on this topic: "[capturing perfectly-forwarded objects in lambdas](http://vittorioromeo.info/index/blog/capturing_perfectly_forwarded_objects_in_lambdas.html)" (http://vittorioromeo.info/index/blog/capturing_perfectly_forwarded_objects_in_lambdas.html).

- **Binary functions:**

```

auto add2 = [](auto a, auto b){ return a + b; };

// All of the invocations below return `3`.
add2(1, 2);
curry(add2)(1, 2); // Partial application.
curry(add2)(1)(2); // Currying.

// Example of "binding" an argument:
auto add_one = curry(add2)(1);
add_one(2); // Returns `3`.
add_one(3); // Returns `4`.

```

You should be starting to see the pattern now...

- **N-ary functions:**

```

auto add3 = [](auto a, auto b, auto c)
{
    return a + b + c;
};

// All of the invocations below return `6`.
add3(1, 2, 3);
curry(add3)(1, 2, 3);
curry(add3)(1, 2)(3);
curry(add3)(1)(2, 3);
curry(add3)(1)(2)(3);

```

The example above shows that *currying* and *partial application* can be freely combined. Let's see another example of that with a `constexpr lambda` (<http://www.open-std.org/jtc1/sc22/wg21/docs/papers/2015/n4487.pdf>) of arity 5.

```

auto add5 = [](auto a, auto b, auto c,
              auto d, auto e) constexpr
{
    return a + b + c + d + e;
};

constexpr auto csum5 = curry(sum5);

constexpr auto a = csum5(0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5);
constexpr auto b = csum5(0)(1, 2, 3, 4, 5);
constexpr auto c = csum5(0, 1)(2, 3, 4, 5);
constexpr auto d = csum5(0, 1, 2)(3, 4, 5);
constexpr auto e = csum5(0, 1, 2, 3)(4, 5);
constexpr auto f = csum5(0, 1, 2, 3, 4)(5);

```

Note that the usages of `curry(sum5)` above are in no way exhaustive - more combinations such as `curry(sum5)(0, 1)(2, 3)(4, 5)` can be written, and every *intermediate step* can be given a name.

Now that you have an idea on how `curry` can be used, let's dive into its *declaration* and *definition*.

Declaration

Given the constraints listed earlier, we can easily write down the *declaration* of `curry`.

```
template <typename TF>
constexpr decltype(auto) curry(TF&& f);
```

Why `decltype(auto)` instead of `auto`?

Because the *final step* of `curry` needs to return exactly what the original function object does. Example:

```
auto f = [](auto, auto) -> auto&
{
    return some_global_variable;
};

// OK - can return an additional "curry wrapper" by value.
auto step0 = curry(f);

// Same as above.
auto step1 = step0('a');

// Now `step1` has to return a reference!
auto& that_same_global = step1('b');
```

Additionally, the `f` parameter is taken by *forwarding-reference* (<http://www.open-std.org/jtc1/sc22/wg21/docs/papers/2014/n4164.pdf>). I will assume you're familiar with *move semantics* (<http://stackoverflow.com/questions/3106110/what-are-move-semantics>), (<http://en.cppreference.com/w/cpp/utility/forward>), and *"forward captures"* (http://vittorioromeo.info/index/blog/capturing_perfectly_forwarded_objects_in_lambdas.html) for the rest of the article.

Definition

I'll show the complete definition of `curry` first, and then analyze all the parts one-by-one more closely.

```
template <typename TF>
constexpr decltype(auto) curry(TF&& f)
{
    if constexpr (std::is_callable<TF&&()>{})
    {
        return FWD(f)();
    }
    else
    {
        return [xf = FWD_CAPTURE(f)](auto&&... partials) mutable constexpr
        {
            return curry
            (
                [
                    partial_pack = FWD_CAPTURE_PACK_AS_TUPLE(partial),
                    yf = std::move(xf)
                ]
                (auto&&... xs) constexpr
                -> decltype(forward_like<TF>(xf.get())(FWD(partial)...,
                                                            FWD(xs)...))
                {
                    return apply_fwd_capture([&yf](auto&&... ys) constexpr
                    -> decltype(forward_like<TF>(yf.get())(FWD(ys)...))
                    {
                        return forward_like<TF>(yf.get())(FWD(ys)...);
                    }, partial_pack, FWD_CAPTURE_PACK_AS_TUPLE(xs));
                }
            );
        };
    }
}
```

The first thing to notice is the **recursive** structure of `curry`.

```
template <typename TF>
constexpr decltype(auto) curry(TF&& f)
{
    if constexpr (std::is_callable<TF&&()>{})
    {
        return FWD(f)();
    }
    else
    {
        // ...
    }
}
```

The *base case* branch is taken when `std::is_callable<TF&&()>{}` evaluates to `true`. `std::is_callable` (http://en.cppreference.com/w/cpp/types/is_f) is a new C++17 *type trait* that checks whether or not a particular object types can be called with a specific set of argument types.

- If `std::is_callable<TF&&()>{}` evaluates to `false`, then it means that `TF` needs some arguments in order to be called - those arguments can be *curried/partially-applied*.
- If it evaluates to `true`, it means that there are no more arguments to *curry/partially-apply* in `f`. Therefore, `f` can be invoked to get the final result:

```
return FWD(f)();
```

`FWD` is a macro that expands to `std::forward<decltype(f)>(f)`. It's being used as `TF` may have a *ref-qualified* (<https://akrzemi1.wordpress.com/2014/06/02/ref-qualifiers/>) `operator()` that behaves differently depending on `f`'s value category.

We will now focus on the *recursive case* of `curry`. The first step is allowing *partial application* of arguments - since we don't know how many arguments will be bound in advance, a *generic variadic lambda* will be returned:

```
return [xf = FWD_CAPTURE(f)](auto&&... partials) mutable constexpr
{
    return curry(/* ... */);
}
```

The returned lambda will:

- Capture `f` by *forward capture* into `xf`.
- Accept any amount of *forwarding references* in the `partials...` pack. These arguments will be *bound* for subsequent calls.
- Be marked as `mutable`: this is **important** as `xf` will be moved in the inner lambda's capture list.
- Be marked as `constexpr`: this allows `curry` to be used as a *constant expression* (http://en.cppreference.com/w/cpp/language/constant_expression) where possible.
 - Note that, since C++17, **lambdas are implicitly constexpr** (<http://www.open-std.org/jtc1/sc22/wg21/docs/papers/2015/n4487.pdf>) unless they fail to satisfy any *constexpr function requirement* (<http://en.cppreference.com/w/cpp/language/constexpr>).
- Recursively call `curry` in its body, returning a new *curried/partially-applicable* function.

Let's now focus on the `return curry(/*...*/)` statement. We want to return a *curried* version of a new intermediate function object where:

- The `partials...` pack values are *bound* for its invocation - these values will be captured by *forward capture* as `partial_pack`.
- The *forward-captured* `xf` from the "parent" lambda is captured *by move* into `yf`. `xf` doesn't need to be forwarded as `FWD_CAPTURE(f)` returns a movable wrapper that either stores an *lvalue reference* or a *value*.

```
return curry  
(  
    [  
        partial_pack = FWD_CAPTURE_PACK_AS_TUPLE(partials),  
        yf = std::move(xf)  
    ]  
    (auto&&... xs) constexpr  
        -> decltype(forward_like<TF>(xf.get())(FWD(partials)...,  
                                                FWD(xs)...))  
  
    {  
        // ...  
    }  
);
```

The lambda passed to `curry` will accept any number of *forwarding references* in the `xs...` pack that will be used alongside the captured `partials...` to call `f`. The expected function call can be easily understood by the lambda's *trailing return type*:

```
//      Unwrap `f` from the `xf` `FWD_CAPTURE` wrapper and propagate
//      the original function object's value category.
//      vvvvvvvvvvvvvvvvvvvvvvvvvvvvvvvvvvvvvvvvvvvvvvvvvvvvvvvvvvvv
-> decltype(forward_like<TF>(xf.get())(FWD(partials)..., FWD(xs)...))
//                                     ~~~~~~
//      Unpack both the `partials` and `xs` argument packs in a
//      single function call to `f`.
```

`forward_like` is an utility function in my `vrn_core` library (https://github.com/SuperV1234/vrn_core/blob/437a0afb35385250cd75c22babaeecbfa4dcacc/include/vrn/core/type_traits/forward_like.hpp) that *forwards* the passed argument with the same *value category* of the potentially-unrelated specified type. It basically copies the "*lvalue/rvalue-ness*" of the user-provided template parameter and *applies* it to its argument.

The expression inside the above return type essentially means: *"invoke the original function object by unpacking `partials...` and `xs...` one after another"*.

Lastly, let's analyze the body of the lambda.

```
return apply_fwd_capture([&yf](auto&&... ys) constexpr
    -> decltype(forward_like<TF>(yf.get())(FWD(ys)...))
{
    return forward_like<TF>(yf.get())(FWD(ys)...);
}, partial_pack, FWD_CAPTURE_PACK_AS_TUPLE(xs));
```

Remember: we're trying to call `f` by unpacking both `partials...` and `xs...` **at the same time**. The `partials...` pack is stored in a special wrapper returned by `FWD_CAPTURE_PACK_AS_TUPLE`. The `xs...` pack contains the arguments passed to the lambda.

The `apply_fwd_capture` takes any number of wrapped *forward-capture pack wrappers* and uses them to invoke an user-provided function object. The wrappers are unpacked at the same time, preserving the original value category. Since `xs...` is not wrapped, we're going to explicitly do so by using the `FWD_CAPTURE_PACK_AS_TUPLE` macro.

In short, `apply_fwd_capture` will invoke the `constexpr variadic lambda` by expanding `partials...` and `xs...` correctly - those values will be then forwarded to the wrapped callable object `yf`.

That's it! Eventually the recursion will end as one of the steps will produce an intermediate function objects that satisfies `std::is_callable<TF&&()>{}` , giving back a "concrete" result to the caller.

Generated assembly benchmarks

As I did in my previous **"passing functions to functions"** (https://vittorioromeo.info/index/blog/passing_functions_to_functions.html) article, I will compare the number of generated assembly lines for different code snippets where `curry` is used. The point of these "benchmarks" is giving the readers an idea on how easy it is for the compiler to optimize `curry` out - they are in no way exhaustive or representative of a real-world situation. *(The benchmarks were generated with this Python script (https://github.com/SuperV1234/vittorioromeo.info/blob/master/extra/cpp17_curry/bench/dobenchs.py), which also prints out the assembly.)*

The compiler used for these measurements is **g++ 7.0.0 20170113**, compiled from the SVN repository.

constexpr variables

When `curry` is used in a `constexpr` context it is trivial to prove that it gets completely optimized out by the compiler. Regardless, here's the snippet that's going to be measured:

```
int main()
{
    const auto sum = [](auto a, auto b, auto c, auto d, auto e, auto f, auto g,
                       auto h) constexpr
    {
        return a + b + c + d + e + f + g + h;
    };

    constexpr auto expected = sum(0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7);

#ifdef VR_BASELINE
    constexpr auto s0 = sum(0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7);
    constexpr auto s1 = sum(0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7);
    constexpr auto s2 = sum(0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7);
    constexpr auto s3 = sum(0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7);
    constexpr auto s4 = sum(0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7);
    constexpr auto s5 = sum(0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7);
    constexpr auto s6 = sum(0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7);
    constexpr auto s7 = sum(0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7);
#elif defined(VR_CURRY)
    constexpr auto s0 = curry(sum)(0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7);
    constexpr auto s1 = curry(sum)(0)(1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7);
    constexpr auto s2 = curry(sum)(0, 1)(2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7);
    constexpr auto s3 = curry(sum)(0, 1, 2)(3, 4, 5, 6, 7);
    constexpr auto s4 = curry(sum)(0, 1, 2, 3)(4, 5, 6, 7);
    constexpr auto s5 = curry(sum)(0, 1, 2, 3, 4)(5, 6, 7);
    constexpr auto s6 = curry(sum)(0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5)(6, 7);
    constexpr auto s7 = curry(sum)(0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6)(7);
#endif

    static_assert(s0 == expected);
    static_assert(s1 == expected);
    static_assert(s2 == expected);
    static_assert(s3 == expected);
    static_assert(s4 == expected);
    static_assert(s5 == expected);
    static_assert(s6 == expected);
    static_assert(s7 == expected);

    return s0 + s1 + s2 + s3 + s4 + s5 + s6 + s7;
}
```

- `sum` is a `constexpr` generic lambda with an arity of 8.
- When measuring the baseline, the `s0...s7` `constexpr` variables are initialized by simply calling `sum`.
- When using `curry`, `s0...s7` are initialized by using various invocations of `curry(sum)`.
- In the end, the expected sum result is statically asserted and returned from `main`.

Baseline

O0	O1	O2	O3	Ofast
14	2	2	2	2

Curry

O0	O1	O2	O3	Ofast
14 (+0.0%)	2 (+0.0%)	2 (+0.0%)	2 (+0.0%)	2 (+0.0%)

As shown by the tables above, using `curry` introduces no additional overhead when used in the initialization of `constexpr` variables.

You can find the complete snippet on [GitHub](https://github.com/SuperV1234/vittorioromeo.info/blob/master/extra/cpp17_curry/bench/b0_constexpr.cpp).
(https://github.com/SuperV1234/vittorioromeo.info/blob/master/extra/cpp17_curry/bench/b0_constexpr.cpp)

volatile variables

Let's now measure the eventual overhead of `curry` when initializing `volatile` variables. The snippet is almost identical to the previous one, except for a few differences:

- The `s0...s7` variables are now marked as `volatile` instead of `constexpr`.
- The `static_assert(x)` checks have been replaced with `if(!x){ return -1; }`.

Baseline

O0	O1	O2	O3	Ofast
68	56	42	42	42

Curry

O0	O1	O2	O3	Ofast
68 (+0.0%)	56 (+0.0%)	42 (+0.0%)	42 (+0.0%)	42 (+0.0%)

Even with `volatile`, there isn't any additional overhead introduced by `curry`!

You can find the complete snippet on GitHub.
(https://github.com/SuperV1234/vittorioromeo.info/blob/master/extra/cpp17_curry/bench/b1_volatile.cpp)

Intermediate `curry` steps

The above benchmarks never stored any intermediate `curry` return value - the entire expression was part of the `s0...s7` initializer expression. Let's see what happens when those intermediate steps are stored as follows:

```
auto i0 = curry(sum);
auto i1 = curry(sum)(0);
auto i2 = curry(sum)(0, 1);
auto i3 = curry(sum)(0, 1, 2);
auto i4 = curry(sum)(0, 1, 2, 3);
auto i5 = curry(sum)(0, 1, 2, 3, 4);
auto i6 = curry(sum)(0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5);
auto i7 = curry(sum)(0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6);

volatile auto s0 = i0(0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7);
volatile auto s1 = i1(1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7);
volatile auto s2 = i2(2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7);
volatile auto s3 = i3(3, 4, 5, 6, 7);
volatile auto s4 = i4(4, 5, 6, 7);
volatile auto s5 = i5(5, 6, 7);
volatile auto s6 = i6(6, 7);
volatile auto s7 = i7(7);
```

Baseline

O0	O1	O2	O3	Ofast
68	56	42	42	42

Curry

O0	O1	O2	O3	Ofast
19141 (+2804%)	56 (+0.0%)	42 (+0.0%)	42 (+0.0%)	42 (+0.0%)

From optimization level `-O1` onwards everything is great: **zero overhead**! When using `-O0`, though, there is a quite noticeable overhead of +2804% extra generated assembly compared to the baseline.

You can find the complete snippet on GitHub.
(https://github.com/SuperV1234/vittorioromeo.info/blob/master/extra/cpp17_curry/bench/b2_intermediate.cpp)

(Some additional benchmarks with `volatile` lambda parameters and values are [available on the GitHub repository \(https://github.com/SuperV1234/vittorioromeo.info/tree/master/extra/cpp17_curry/bench\)](https://github.com/SuperV1234/vittorioromeo.info/tree/master/extra/cpp17_curry/bench).)

Compiler bugs

`curry` looks great! Zero run-time overhead, *partial application* and *currying* all in one... what's the catch?

Well, the hardest part is... getting `curry` to compile. As seen from [these tweets \(https://twitter.com/supahvee1234/status/811246691731042304\)](https://twitter.com/supahvee1234/status/811246691731042304) between me and Julian Becker, it seems that both `g++` and `clang++` fail with *internal compiler errors* for different reasons.

- This [snippet on gcc.godbolt.org \(https://gcc.godbolt.org/g/9rP7ZO\)](https://gcc.godbolt.org/g/9rP7ZO) produces a g++ *internal compiler error*. Commenting out the *trailing return type* on line 158 fixes the ICE. I reported a minimal version of this issue as [bug #78006 \(https://gcc.gnu.org/bugzilla/show_bug.cgi?id=78006\)](https://gcc.gnu.org/bugzilla/show_bug.cgi?id=78006).
- clang++'s frontend crashes in versions 3.9 and 4.0 with [this wandbox snippet \(http://melpon.org/wandbox/permlink/ahI5bK74C86ddZga\)](http://melpon.org/wandbox/permlink/ahI5bK74C86ddZga). I've reported this as [bug #31435 \(https://llvm.org/bugs/show_bug.cgi?id=31435\)](https://llvm.org/bugs/show_bug.cgi?id=31435).

I managed to compile `curry` and the snippets used for this article by cloning the latest version of gcc from SVN and compiling it on my machine - I assume that some of the crashes were fixed in on *trunk* and gcc.godbolt.org is still a little bit behind.

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In "Unary Functions", you have:

```
curried_plus_one(1); // Returns `1`.
```

Is that right?? Surely it returns 2..

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Whoops. Will fix in a few hours :)

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