

Tools from the C++ eco-system to save a leg

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Time for a quote

*“C makes it easy to shoot yourself in the foot;
C++ makes it harder, but when you do it blows your whole leg off”
- Bjarne Stroustrup*

http://www.stroustrup.com/bs_faq.html#really-say-that

Time for a story

Each time someone was leaving the team, the C++ code written by that person was aggressively rewritten by those who stayed.



Time for a sample: goto fail

About the security content of iOS 7.0.6

This document describes the security content of iOS 7.0.6.

iOS 7.0.6

- **Data Security**

Available for: iPhone 4 and later, iPod touch (5th generation), iPad 2 and later

Impact: An attacker with a privileged network position may capture or modify data in sessions protected by SSL/TLS

Description: Secure Transport failed to validate the authenticity of the connection. This issue was addressed by restoring missing validation steps.

CVE-ID

CVE-2014-1266

Time for a sample: goto fail

```
static OSStatus
SSLVerifySignedServerKeyExchange(SSLContext *ctx, bool isRsa, SSLBuffer signedParams,
                                uint8_t *signature, UInt16 signatureLen)
{
    OSStatus      err;
    ...

    if ((err = SSLHashSHA1.update(&hashCtx, &serverRandom)) != 0)
        goto fail;
    if ((err = SSLHashSHA1.update(&hashCtx, &signedParams)) != 0)
        goto fail;
    goto fail;
    if ((err = SSLHashSHA1.final(&hashCtx, &hashOut)) != 0)
        goto fail;
    ...
}
```

Time for a sample: know the type

```
template<typename T, typename U>
auto doOperation(T t, U u) -> decltype(t + u) {
    return t + u;
}
```

```
void fun_type() {
    auto op = doOperation(3.0, 0);
    // ...
}
```

Time for a sample: where is type

```
#ifdef MAGIC
template<int>
struct x {
    x(int i) { }
};
#else
int x = 100;
#endif

void test(int y) {
    const int a = 100;
    auto k = x<a>(0);
}
```

Define code quality

Code quality =

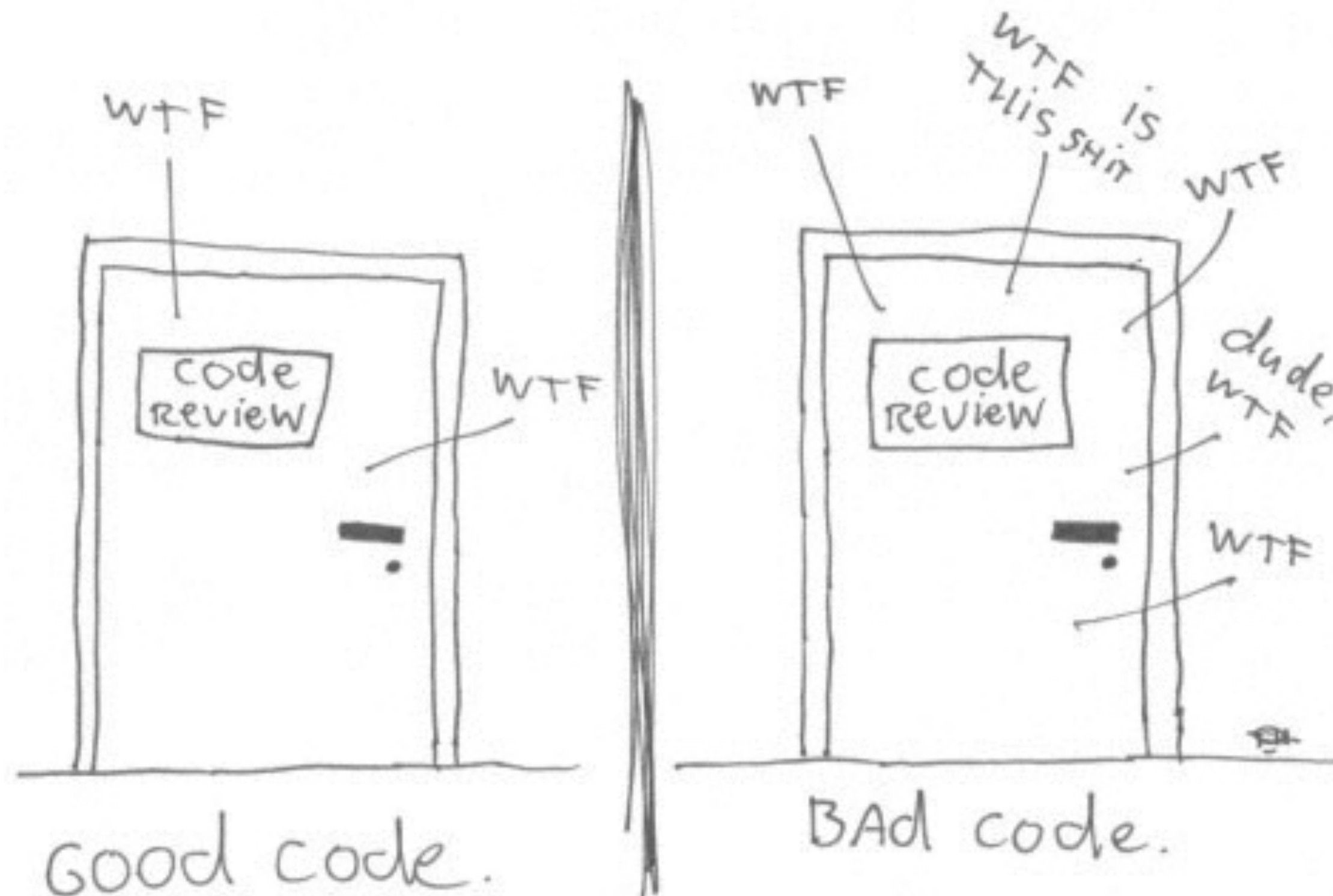
- easy to read
- easy to maintain
- easy to use
- works correct

Code quality (CISQ) =

- reliability
- efficiency
- security
- maintainability
- size

Define code quality

The ONLY VALID MEASUREMENT
OF CODE QUALITY: WTFs/MINUTE



We need tools

“Tool support is essential... We need tools”
- *Bjarne Stroustrup*

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C++ specific

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    struct x {  
        x(int) { };  
    };  
  
    int y = 100;  
  
    auto a = (x)-5;  
    auto b = (y)-5;  
}
```

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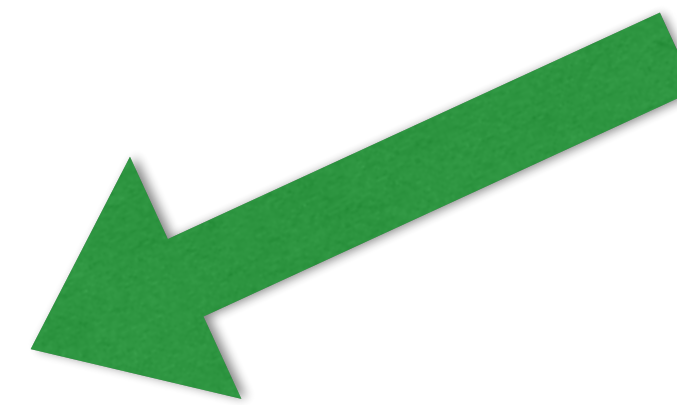
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```
x a = (x) -5;  
int b = (y) - 5;
```



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- Formatting with/without parsing/resolve
- Variety
 - Variety of standards
 - Google, LLVM/LLDB, Qt, GNU, Chromium, Mozilla, WebKit, etc.
 - Heritage: Custom style guides in companies, big projects, etc.
 - Style guides are different in essence

Tools: Formatter Workflow

When to reformat?

- On file save
- On-the-fly formatting
- Pre-commit hook
- Explicit actions: format line, selection, file

Tools: Formatter

- Clang-Format <http://clang.llvm.org/docs/ClangFormat.html>
 - Command-line tool
 - `// clang-format off/on`
 - Library profiles
 - Integration
 - Vim, Emacs, VS, VS Code, Qt Creator, NetBeans, ReSharper C++

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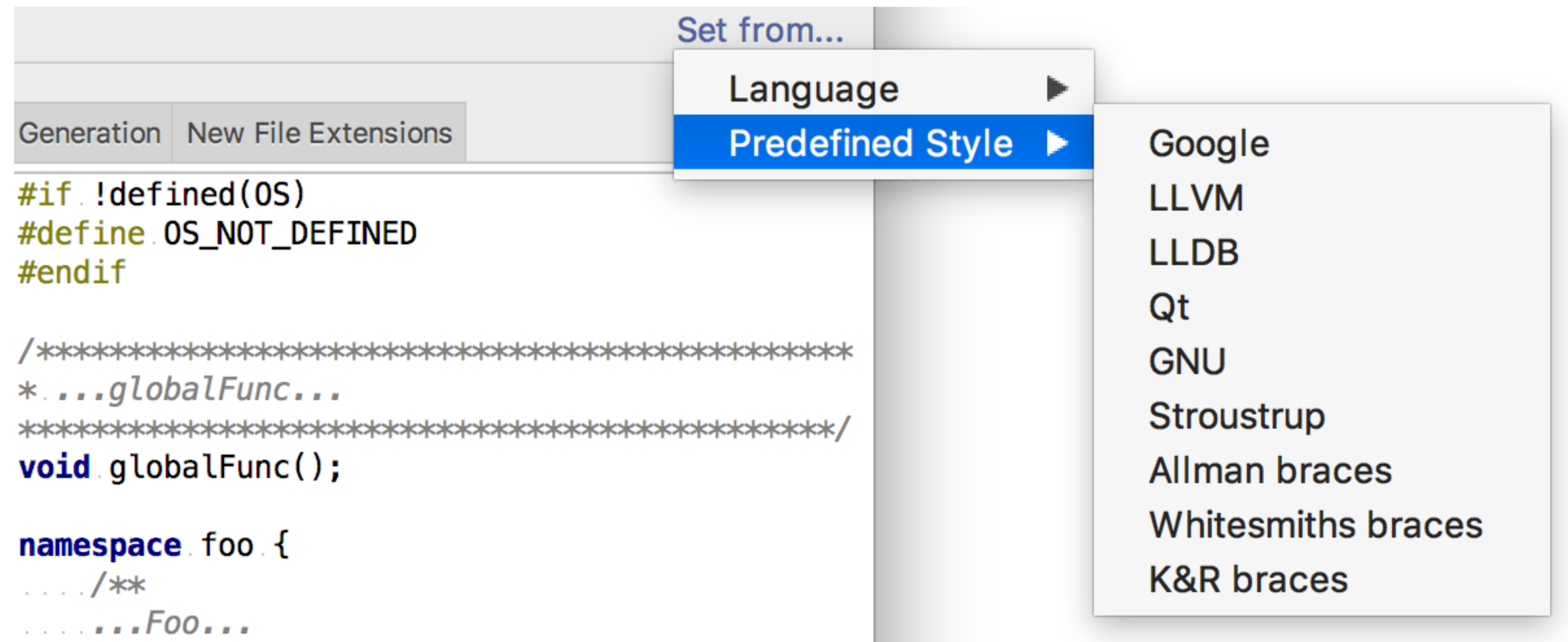
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 - Fuzzy parser
- IDEs
 - Built-in formatter tool
 - Import/export/convert issues

Tools: Formatter

Extract style

- Idea: get style from the actual code
- Problem: lots of settings, dependant parameters
- Genetic algorithm



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Generate C++ code

Why?

- Keep to style guidelines
- Use common design patterns
- Avoid errors

What?

- File templates
- Comments/Docs
- Code snippets

Tools: Code generation

- IDEs
 - class/file templates
 - getters/setters
 - other

```
class Human {
    float height;
    float weight;
    int age;
    std::string name;

public:
    Human::Human(float height, float weight, int age) :
        height(height), weight(weight), age(age) {}

    friend std::ostream &operator<<(std::ostream &os, const Human &human) {
        os << "height: " << human.height << " weight: " << human.weight <<
            " age: " << human.age << " name: " << human.name;
        return os;
    }

    bool operator==(const Human &rhs) const {
        return height == rhs.height && weight == rhs.weight &&
            age == rhs.age && name == rhs.name;
    }

    bool operator!=(const Human &rhs) const {
        return !(rhs == *this);
    }

    bool operator<(const Human &rhs) const {
        return std::tie(height, weight, age, name) <
            std::tie(rhs.height, rhs.weight, rhs.age, rhs.name);
    }

    bool operator>(const Human &rhs) const {
        return rhs < *this;
    }
}
```

Tools: Code generation

- IDEs
- Specialized tools
 - protobuf,
 - cog and other transformation tools,
 - clang based tools

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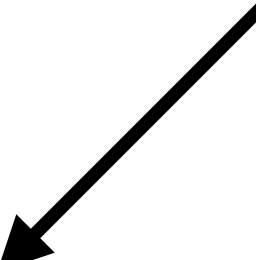
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- C++ Metaclasses

Code generation

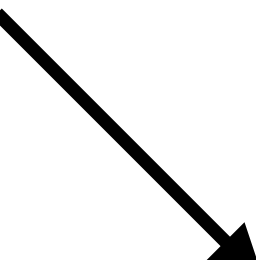
Metaclasses

```
$class interface {
    constexpr {
        compiler.require($interface.variables().empty(),
            "interfaces may not contain data");
        for... (auto f : $interface.functions()) {
            compiler.require(!f.is_copy() && !f.is_move(),
                "interfaces may not copy or move; consider a"
                " virtual clone() instead");
            if (!f.has_access()) f.make_public();
            compiler.require(f.is_public(),
                "interface functions must be public");
            f.make_pure_virtual();
        }
    }
    virtual ~interface() noexcept { }
};
```

```
interface Shape {
    int area() const;
    void scale_by(double factor);
};
```



```
struct Shape {
    virtual int area() const = 0;
    virtual void scale_by(double factor) = 0;
    virtual ~Shape() noexcept {
    }
}
```



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Tools: Code analysis

- Static code analysis tools
 - compiler warning
 - extra checks
- Dynamic code analysis tools

Tools: Clang Analyzer

Clang Analyzer: https://clang-analyzer.llvm.org/available_checks.html

- `clang -analyze -analyzer-checker=...`
- Clang-Tidy: `clang-analyzer-*`
- Xcode
- C, C++, Objective-C
- 40 checks for C/C++
 - core checks
 - new/delete leaks
 - dead code
 - nullability
 - security checks



Tools: (Modernize with) Clang-Tidy

Clang-Tidy: <http://clang.llvm.org/extra/clang-tidy/>

- `-checks=-*,modernize-*`
 - replace `std::bind` with lambdas
 - use `auto` in iterators, new expressions, cast expressions
 - replace C standard library headers with their C++ alternatives
 - replace a default constructor's member initializers with the new default member initializers in C++11
 - more (24 checks)
- In total >200 checks!

Tools: (Modernize with) Clang-Tidy

```
modernize.cpp x
5  #include <functional>
6  #include <vector>
7  #include <iostream>
8
9  int add(int x, int y) { return x + y; }
10
11 void bind_to_lambda(int num) {
12     int x = 2;
13     auto clj = std::bind(add, x, num);
14 }
15
16 void loop_convert(const std::vector<int>& vec) {
17     for(auto iter = vec.begin(); iter != vec.end(); ++iter) {
18         std::cout << *iter;
19     }
20 }
21
22 class MyClass {
23 public:
24     MyClass(const std::string &Copied,
25             const std::string &ReadOnly)
26         : Copied(Copied), ReadOnly(ReadOnly) {}
27
28 private:
29     std::string Copied;
30     const std::string &ReadOnly;
31 };
32
```

Tools: C++ Core Guidelines

C++ Core Guidelines: <https://github.com/isocpp/CppCoreGuidelines>

- Support in Clang-Tidy (16 checks)
- Via Clang-Tidy
 - Eclipse, CLion, NetBeans
- Native support
 - CppCoreCheck in Visual Studio
 - Cplusplus



Tools: More static code analysis

- CppCheck: <https://sourceforge.net/p/cppcheck/wiki/ListOfChecks/>
 - approx 170 checks
 - variable scope, out-of-bounds, memory leaks, sizeof args, etc.

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- Coverity: <http://www.coverity.com>
 - C, C++, C#, Objective-C and more
 - incremental & full analysis, parallel analysis, CI plugins
 - approx 80 checks
 - out-of-bounds reads double free, use after free
 - incorrect buffer size
 - integer overflow
 - uninitialised variable
 - null dereference

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- PVS-Studio (<https://www.viva64.com/en/w/>)
- Infer (Facebook) (<http://fbinfer.com/docs/infer-bug-types.html>)
- IDEs checks

Tools: Data Flow Analysis in CLion

```
typedef enum class Color { Red, Blue, Green, Yellow };  
  
void do_shadow_color(int shadow) {  
    Color cl1, cl2;  
  
    if (shadow)  
        cl1 = Color::Red, cl2 = Color::Blue;  
    else  
        cl1 = Color::Green, cl2 = Color::Yellow;  
  
    if (cl1 == Color::Red || cl2 == Color::Yellow) {  
        Condition is always true when reached more... (%F1)  
    }  
}
```

```
void Sample2(int flag) {  
    Color c;  
  
    switch (flag) {  
        case 0:  
            c = Color::Red;  
            break;  
        case 1:  
            c = Color::Blue;  
            break;  
        default:  
            c = Color::Green;  
    }  
  
    switch (c) {  
        case Color::Red:  
            break;  
        case Color::Blue:  
            break;  
        case Color::Green:  
            break;  
        case Color::Yellow:  
            break;  
    }  
    Unreachable code more... (%F1)  
}
```


Tools: Dynamic code analysis

- Valgrind
- Google LLVM sanitizers
- GNU gprof, gperftools
- Oracle Developer Tools (SunStudio)
- and more

Tools: Valgrind

- compiler/language doesn't matter
- slow down 20-50x
- much more than memory check!

Tools: Valgrind

- Memcheck <http://valgrind.org/docs/manual/mc-manual.html>
 - illegal read/write/frees
 - using uninitialized or derived from uninitialized value
 - overlapping src and dst in memcpy, strcpy, strncpy, strcat, strncat
 - fishy size arguments in allocators
 - memory leaks

```
==27492== Source and destination overlap in memcpy(0xbffff294, 0xbffff280, 21)
==27492==      at 0x40026CDC: memcpy (mc_replace_strmem.c:71)
==27492==      by 0x804865A: main (overlap.c:40)
```

Tools: Valgrind

- Memcheck <http://valgrind.org/docs/manual/mc-manual.html>
- Cachegrind <http://valgrind.org/docs/manual/cg-manual.html>
 - cache profiler

```
==31751== I   refs:      27,742,716
==31751== I1  misses:      276
==31751== LLi misses:      275
==31751== I1  miss rate:    0.0%
==31751== LLi miss rate:    0.0%
==31751==
==31751== D   refs:      15,430,290 (10,955,517 rd + 4,474,773 wr)
==31751== D1  misses:      41,185 ( 21,905 rd + 19,280 wr)
==31751== LLd misses:      23,085 ( 3,987 rd + 19,098 wr)
==31751== D1  miss rate:    0.2% ( 0.1% + 0.4%)
==31751== LLd miss rate:    0.1% ( 0.0% + 0.4%)
==31751==
==31751== LL misses:      23,360 ( 4,262 rd + 19,098 wr)
==31751== LL miss rate:    0.0% ( 0.0% + 0.4%)
```


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- Callgrind <http://valgrind.org/docs/manual/cl-manual.html>
 - records the call history in the program
 - KCachegrind is a viewing tool

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- Hellgrind, massif, etc.
 - Hellgrind = thread error detector
 - Massif = heap profiler

Tools: Sanitizers

- requires recompilation
- 2x slow down
- Clang (3.1-3.2), GCC (4.8)
- <https://github.com/google/sanitizers>

Tools: Sanitizers

- Address Sanitizer (ASan) - `fsanitize=address`
 - out-of-bound access
 - use-after-free
 - use-after-return
 - use-after-scope
 - double-free, invalid-free
 - memory leaks (LeakSanitizer)

Tools: Sanitizers

=====

==58237==ERROR: AddressSanitizer: **stack-use-after-scope** on **address** 0x7ffc4d830880 at
pc 0x0000005097ed bp 0x7ffc4d830850 sp 0x7ffc4d830848
WRITE of size 4 at 0x7ffc4d830880 thread T0

- #0 0x5097ec (/tmp/use-after-scope+0x5097ec)
- #1 0x7ff85fa6bf44 (/lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/libc.so.6+0x21f44)
- #2 0x41a005 (/tmp/use-after-scope+0x41a005)

Address 0x7ffc4d830880 is located in stack of thread T0 at offset 32 in frame
#0 0x5096ef (/tmp/use-after-scope+0x5096ef)

This frame has 1 object(s):

[32, 36) 'x' <== Memory access at offset 32 is inside this variable

HINT: this may be a false positive if your program uses some custom stack unwind mechanism or swapcontext
(longjmp and C++ exceptions *are* supported)

SUMMARY: AddressSanitizer: stack-use-after-scope (/tmp/use-after-scope+0x5097ec)

Shadow bytes around the buggy address:

0x100009afe0c0: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
0x100009afe0d0: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
0x100009afe0e0: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
0x100009afe0f0: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
0x100009afe100: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 f1 f1 f1 f1
=>0x100009afe110:[f8]f3 f3 f3 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
0x100009afe120: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
0x100009afe130: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
0x100009afe140: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
0x100009afe150: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
0x100009afe160: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00

Tools: Sanitizers

- Address Sanitizer (ASan)
- Thread sanitizers (TSan) - `fsanitize=thread`
 - data race detector

Tools: Sanitizers

- Address Sanitizer (ASan)
- Thread sanitizers (TSan)
- Memory sanitizer (MSan) - `fsanitize=memory`
 - detects uninitialized memory reads

Tools: Sanitizers

- Address Sanitizer (ASan)
- Thread sanitizers (TSan)
- Memory sanitizer (MSan)
- Undefined Behavior sanitizer (UBSan) - `fsanitize=undefined`
 - using null pointers
 - signed integer overflow
 - floats conversion with overflow
 - out-of-bounds array index
 - division by zero
 - more

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- Data Flow sanitizer API

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Tools: Refactoring

- Basic set
 - rename
 - extract Function
 - inline
- Profound set
 - change signature
 - extract variables / parameters / constants / typedefs / defines
 - pull/push members up/down the hierarchy
 - modernize
 - etc.

Tools: Refactoring

Test suite for C++ refactoring tools:

- <https://github.com/LegalizeAdulthood/refactor-test-suite>
- Test cases on:
 - change signature
 - create setters, getters
 - extract constant, function, parameter, variable
 - inline macro, variable, etc.
 - rename
 - simplify boolean expression
 - etc.

Tools: Refactoring

Clang-rename

- clang family
- integrated into Vim, Emacs
- renaming inside TU

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Tools: unit testing

- Google Test - 45%
- Boost.Test - 26%
- CppUnit - 11%, CppUTest - 5%, Catch - 5%, others

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6. **Bonus! Package managers**

Tools: package manager

Problem:

- Pre-compiled libraries may violate One-Definition Rule
- Usual way
 - download sources
 - build
 - include into project's build
- A variety of build systems for C++ projects

Tools: package manager

Package managers solution

- Language level vs external
- Build-system agnostic vs build-system built-in
- Source-based vs pre-built binaries vs combined
- System vs language-specific

Tools: package manager

A Packaging System for C++ proposal (P0235R0)

- Language level
- By Blizzard
- *using, MANIFEST, options* syntax
- <https://github.com/Blizzard/clang>
- <https://github.com/berkus/clang-packaging-P0235R0>
- cppget first, default public repo later

```
#using package "foo" \  
  ("foo/foo.h", "bar/bar.h") \  
  [foo, bar.baz] \  
  version "1.2.3"
```

```
#if PLATFORM == WINDOWS  
  #using option PLATFORM = "Win32"  
#elif PLATFORM == LINUX  
  #using option PLATFORM = "Linux"  
#else  
  #error Unknown platform  
#endif
```

```
#if BUILD == DEBUG  
  #using option TARGET = "Debug"  
#else  
  #using option TARGET = "Release"  
#endif
```

```
#using package "mypackage"
```

Tools: package manager

Conan

- External, build-system agnostic
- Predefined helpers for CMake
- Win, Linux, Mac, FreeBSD, SunOS
- C, C++, Python, Go, Fortran
- Download binaries or build from sources
- Web server or local storage
- VS, Xcode, Android Studio, CLion
- OS: <https://github.com/conan-io/conan>
- Detailed doc: <http://docs.conan.io/en/latest/>

```
[requires]
Poco/1.7.8p3@pocoproject/stable
```

conanfile

```
[generators]
cmake
```

```
[options]
Poco:shared=True # PACKAGE:OPTION=VALUE
OpenSSL:shared=True
```

```
[settings]
compiler=clang
compiler.version=3.5
compiler.libcxx=libstdc++11
```

conanprofile

```
[options]
MyLib:shared=True
```

```
[env]
CC=/usr/bin/clang
CXX=/usr/bin/clang++
```

Tools: package manager

Hunter: <https://github.com/ruslo/hunter>

- CMake-based
- Linux, Mac, Windows, iOS, Android, Raspberry Pi
- HunterGate
- Shareable directories with packages
- >20 supported packages
- GTest/GMock, Boost, Catch, Android*, LLVM, OpenCL, Qt, etc

```
hunter_add_package(Boost COMPONENTS system filesystem iostreams)
find_package(Boost CONFIG REQUIRED system filesystem iostreams)
```


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