

Getting to Know the Standard Library

Session 7

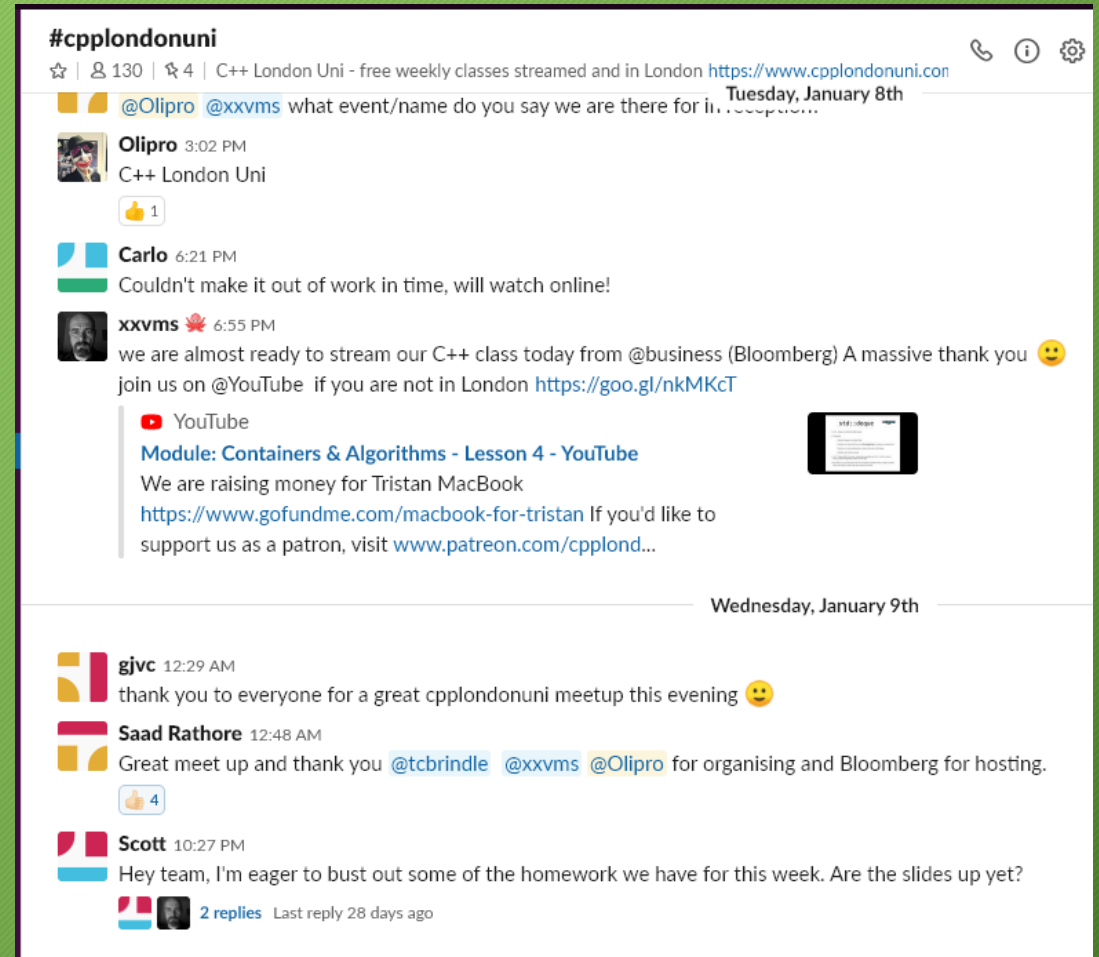


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What I planned in the beginning (a slide from the first session =)

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We write unit tests instead of using `std::cout`



Catch2 is a single-header unit-testing framework

<https://github.com/catchorg/Catch2>

Download *catch.hpp* from the project page and include it in your *.cpp* file

Last time: Custom types in maps and sets

```
struct Date {  
    int year, month, day;  
};  
  
TEST_CASE("date unordered_map") {  
    std::unordered_map<Date, std::string> classes{  
        {Date{2020, 03, 24}, "First look into the standard library algorithms"},  
        {Date{2020, 04, 21}, "Custom types in associative containers"}  
    };  
  
    REQUIRE(classes.size() == 2);  
    CHECK(classes.find({2020, 03, 24}) != classes.end());  
    CHECK(classes.find({2020, 04, 21}) != classes.end());  
}
```


Home exercise: Anagrams in a dictionary

```
TEST_CASE("find anagrams -- test template") {  
    const auto exciting_anagrams = find_anagrams(read_all_words());  
    REQUIRE_FALSE(exciting_anagrams.most_anagrams.empty());  
    REQUIRE_FALSE(exciting_anagrams.longest_anagrams.empty());  
  
    // Put proper values here  
    REQUIRE(exciting_anagrams.most_anagrams.anagram_count() == 0);  
    REQUIRE(exciting_anagrams.longest_anagrams.word_length() == 0);  
  
    // Put proper values here  
    CHECK(exciting_anagrams.most_anagrams.word_sets == std::set<WordSet>{});  
    CHECK(exciting_anagrams.longest_anagrams.word_sets == std::set<WordSet>{});  
}
```



```

using WordSet = std::set<std::string>;

struct MostAnagrams {
    bool empty() const {
        return word_sets.empty() || word_sets.begin()->empty();
    }
    size_t anagram_count() const { return word_sets.begin()->size(); };
    std::set<WordSet> word_sets; // populate this
};

struct LongestAnagrams {
    bool empty() const {
        return word_sets.empty() || word_sets.begin()->empty();
    }
    size_t word_length() const { return word_sets.begin()->begin()->size(); }
    std::set<WordSet> word_sets; // populate this
};

struct ExcitingAnagrams {
    MostAnagrams most_anagrams{};
    LongestAnagrams longest_anagrams{};
};

ExcitingAnagrams find_anagrams(const std::vector<std::string> &words);

```

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    // Put proper values here  
    REQUIRE(exciting_anagrams.most_anagrams.anagram_count() == 0);  
    REQUIRE(exciting_anagrams.longest_anagrams.word_length() == 0);  
  
    // Put proper values here  
    CHECK(exciting_anagrams.most_anagrams.word_sets == std::set<WordSet>{});  
    CHECK(exciting_anagrams.longest_anagrams.word_sets == std::set<WordSet>{});  
}
```

Home exercise: The answer

```
TEST_CASE("find anagrams -- the answer") {
    auto response = find_anagrams(read_all_words());
    REQUIRE_FALSE(response.most_anagrams.empty());
    REQUIRE_FALSE(response.longest_anagrams.empty());

    REQUIRE(response.most_anagrams.anagram_count() == 15);
    REQUIRE(response.longest_anagrams.word_length() == 22);

    CHECK(response.most_anagrams.word_sets == std::set<WordSet>{
        {"alerts", "alters", "artels", "estral", "laster", "lastre", "rastle",
         "ratels", "relast", "resalt", "salter", "slater", "staler", "stelar",
         "talers"}});
    CHECK(response.longest_anagrams.word_sets == std::set<WordSet>{
        {"chlorotrifluoromethane", "trifluorochloromethane"},
        {"cholecystoduodenostomy", "duodenocholecystostomy"},
        {"hydropneumopericardium", "pneumohydropericardium"}});
}
```



```
std::vector<std::string> read_all_words() {  
    const std::string filename{"../words_alpha.txt"};  
    std::ifstream input(filename);  
  
    std::vector<std::string> result;  
    std::string line;  
    while (std::getline(input, line)) {  
        result.push_back(line);  
    }  
  
    return result;  
}  
  
TEST_CASE("read all words") {  
    auto words = read_all_words();  
    REQUIRE_FALSE(words.empty());  
    CHECK(words.size() == 370104);  
    CHECK(words.front() == "a");  
    CHECK(words.back() == "zwitterionic");  
}
```

Validating elements in a range

```
bool is_lowercase(const std::string &word) {  
    return std::all_of(word.begin(), word.end(), [](unsigned char c) {  
        return std::islower(c) && std::isalpha(c);  
    });  
}  
  
TEST_CASE("read all words -- more checks") {  
    auto words = read_all_words();  
    REQUIRE_FALSE(words.empty());  
  
    CHECK(std::all_of(words.begin(), words.end(), is_lowercase));  
    REQUIRE(std::none_of(words.begin(), words.end(),  
        [](const std::string &word) { return word.empty(); }));  
    CHECK(std::any_of(  
        words.begin(), words.end(),  
        [](const std::string &word) { return word.front() == 'k'; }));  
}
```

Empty-range edge case

```
TEST_CASE("range checks on an empty range") {  
    std::vector<std::string> words;  
  
    auto never_called = [](const std::string &) { return true; };  
    CHECK(std::all_of(words.begin(), words.end(), never_called));  
    CHECK(std::none_of(words.begin(), words.end(), never_called));  
    CHECK_FALSE(std::any_of(words.begin(), words.end(), never_called));  
}
```


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Anagram sets: Solution structure in code

```
std::vector<WordSet> get_anagram_sets(const std::vector<std::string> &words);

std::set<WordSet>
find_longest_anagrams(const std::vector<WordSet> &anagram_sets);

std::set<WordSet>
find_anagrams_with_most_words(const std::vector<WordSet> &anagram_sets);

ExcitingAnagrams find_anagrams(const std::vector<std::string> &words) {
    const auto anagram_sets = get_anagram_sets(words);

    return ExcitingAnagrams{
        MostAnagrams{find_anagrams_with_most_words(anagram_sets)},
        LongestAnagrams{find_longest_anagrams(anagram_sets)}};
}
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Collecting all anagrams in the dictionary

```
std::string sort_letters(std::string word) {
    std::sort(word.begin(), word.end());
    return word;
}

std::vector<WordSet> get_anagram_sets(const std::vector<std::string> &words) {
    std::unordered_map<std::string, std::vector<std::string>> groups;
    for (const std::string &word : words) {
        groups[sort_letters(word)].push_back(word);
    }

    std::vector<WordSet> anagram_sets;
    for (const auto&[key, word_set] : groups) {
        if (word_set.size() > 1) {
            anagram_sets.push_back(WordSet{word_set.begin(), word_set.end()});
        }
    }
    return anagram_sets;
}
```

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}  
  
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    std::unordered_map<std::string, std::vector<std::string>> groups;  
    for (const std::string &word : words) {  
        groups[sort_letters(word)].push_back(word);  
    }  
  
    std::vector<WordSet> anagram_sets;  
    for (const auto&[key, word_set] : groups) {  
        if (word_set.size() > 1) {  
            anagram_sets.push_back(WordSet{word_set.begin(), word_set.end()});  
        }  
    }  
    return anagram_sets;  
}
```

```
TEST_CASE("std::sort") {
    std::vector<int> numbers{15, 76, 26, 39, 87, 9, 111};

    SECTION("comparison with operator<") {
        std::sort(numbers.begin(), numbers.end());
        CHECK(numbers == std::vector{9, 15, 26, 39, 76, 87, 111});
    }

    SECTION("reverse order sorting") {
        std::sort(numbers.begin(), numbers.end(),
            [](int left, int right) { return left > right; });
        CHECK(numbers == std::vector{111, 87, 76, 39, 26, 15, 9});
    }

    SECTION("custom predicate example") {
        std::sort(numbers.begin(), numbers.end(),
            [](int left, int right) {
                return sum_of_digits(left) < sum_of_digits(right);
            });
        CHECK(numbers == std::vector{111, 15, 26, 9, 39, 76, 87});
    }
}
```


Few words about sorting: `std::stable_sort`

```
TEST_CASE("std::stable_sort by last digit") {  
    std::vector<int> numbers{15, 76, 26, 39, 87, 9, 111};  
  
    auto compare_by_last_digit =  
        [](int left, int right) { return left % 10 < right % 10; };  
  
    // Preserves order of equivalent elements  
    std::stable_sort(numbers.begin(), numbers.end(), compare_by_last_digit);  
    CHECK(numbers == std::vector{111, 15, 76, 26, 87, 39, 9});  
}
```

Collecting all anagrams in the dictionary

```
std::string sort_letters(std::string word) {
    std::sort(word.begin(), word.end());
    return word;
}

std::vector<WordSet> get_anagram_sets(const std::vector<std::string> &words) {
    std::unordered_map<std::string, std::vector<std::string>> groups;
    for (const std::string &word : words) {
        groups[sort_letters(word)].push_back(word);
    }

    std::vector<WordSet> anagram_sets;
    for (const auto&[key, word_set] : groups) {
        if (word_set.size() > 1) {
            anagram_sets.push_back(WordSet{word_set.begin(), word_set.end()});
        }
    }
    return anagram_sets;
}
```

```
struct Date {  
    int year, month, day;  
    bool operator<(const Date &other) const {  
        return std::tie(year, month, day) <  
            std::tie(other.year, other.month, other.day);  
    }  
};
```

```
TEST_CASE("structured bindings example") {  
    std::multimap<Date, std::string> classes{  
        {Date{2020, 02, 25}, "Unit testing"},  
        {Date{2020, 02, 25}, "std::vector"},  
        {Date{2020, 03, 10}, "std::string"},  
    };  
};
```

```
// Splitting std::pair by with names better than .first and .second  
const auto&[first_class_date, first_class_topic] = *classes.begin();
```

```
// Splitting the Date struct by value for shorter access names  
const auto[year, month, day] = first_class_date;  
CHECK(year == 2020);  
CHECK(month == 02);
```

```
}
```


Structured bindings with arrays

```
TEST_CASE("structured bindings with arrays") {  
    const int east[2] = {1, 0};  
    auto[x1, y1] = east;  
    CHECK(x1 == 1);  
    CHECK(y1 == 0);  
  
    std::array<int, 2> another_direction{0, 1};  
    auto&[x2, y2] = another_direction;  
    CHECK(x2 == 0);  
    CHECK(y2 == 1);  
    y2 = -1;  
    CHECK(another_direction[1] == -1);  
}
```

Structured bindings example

```
TEST_CASE("multimap range values (from the previous lesson)") {
    std::multimap<Date, std::string> classes{
        {Date{2020, 02, 25}, "Unit testing"},
        {Date{2020, 02, 25}, "std::vector"},
        {Date{2020, 03, 10}, "std::string"},
    };

    auto range = classes.equal_range({2020, 02, 25});
    REQUIRE(std::distance(range.first, range.second) == 2);

    std::set<std::string> values;
    for (auto it = range.first; it != range.second; ++it) {
        values.insert(it->second);
    }

    CHECK(values == std::set<std::string>{"Unit testing", "std::vector"});
}
```

Structured bindings example

```
TEST_CASE("multimap range values with structured bindings") {
    std::multimap<Date, std::string> classes{
        {Date{2020, 02, 25}, "Unit testing"},
        {Date{2020, 02, 25}, "std::vector"},
        {Date{2020, 03, 10}, "std::string"},
    };

    auto[range_begin, range_end] = classes.equal_range(Date{2020, 02, 25});
    REQUIRE(std::distance(range_begin, range_end) == 2);

    std::set<std::string> values;
    for (auto it = range_begin; it != range_end; ++it) {
        values.insert(it->second);
    }

    CHECK(values == std::set<std::string>{"Unit testing", "std::vector"});
}
```


Collecting all anagrams in the dictionary

```
std::string sort_letters(std::string word) {
    std::sort(word.begin(), word.end());
    return word;
}

std::vector<WordSet> get_anagram_sets(const std::vector<std::string> &words) {
    std::unordered_map<std::string, std::vector<std::string>> groups;
    for (const std::string &word : words) {
        groups[sort_letters(word)].push_back(word);
    }

    std::vector<WordSet> anagram_sets;
    for (const auto&[key, word_set] : groups) {
        if (word_set.size() > 1) {
            anagram_sets.push_back(WordSet{word_set.begin(), word_set.end()});
        }
    }
    return anagram_sets;
}
```

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Anagram set with the most words

```
using ComputeProperty = std::function<size_t(const WordSet &)>;
size_t get_max_property_value(const std::vector<WordSet> &anagram_sets,
                             const ComputeProperty &compute_property);

using AnagramSetPredicate = std::function<bool(const WordSet &)>;
std::set<WordSet> filter_anagram_sets(const std::vector<WordSet> &input_sets,
                                     const AnagramSetPredicate &predicate);

std::set<WordSet>
find_anagrams_with_most_words(const std::vector<WordSet> &anagram_sets) {
    const size_t max_anagram_count = get_max_property_value(
        anagram_sets, [](const WordSet &word_set) { return word_set.size(); });

    auto has_most_anagrams = [max_anagram_count](const WordSet &word_set) {
        return word_set.size() == max_anagram_count;
    };
    return filter_anagram_sets(anagram_sets, has_most_anagrams);
}
```


std::function examples

```
size_t count_words(const std::vector<std::string> &words,
                  const std::function<bool(const std::string &)> &predicate) {
    return std::count_if(words.begin(), words.end(), predicate);
}

TEST_CASE("std::function with a lambda expression") {
    const std::vector<std::string> words = read_all_words();

    auto starts_with_y = [](const std::string &word) {
        return !word.empty() && word.front() == 'y';
    };

    CHECK(count_words(words, starts_with_y) == 1143);
}
```

std::function examples (2)

```
size_t count_words(const std::vector<std::string> &words,
                  const std::function<bool(const std::string &)> &predicate);

bool is_palindrome(const std::string &word) {
    const size_t mid_point = word.size() / 2;
    return std::equal(word.begin(), word.begin() + mid_point,
                      word.rbegin(), word.rbegin() + mid_point);
}

TEST_CASE("std::function with a free function") {
    const std::vector<std::string> words = read_all_words();

    auto starts_with_y = [](const std::string &word) {
        return !word.empty() && word.front() == 'y';
    };

    CHECK(count_words(words, starts_with_y) == 1143);
    CHECK(count_words(words, is_palindrome) == 232);
}
```

std::function examples (3)

```
size_t count_words(const std::vector<std::string> &words,
                  const std::function<bool(const std::string &)> &predicate);

struct HasLengthEqualTo {
    explicit HasLengthEqualTo(size_t length) : length_{length} {};
    HasLengthEqualTo() = delete;
    bool operator()(const std::string &word) const {
        return word.size() == length_;
    }
private:
    size_t length_;
};

TEST_CASE("std::function with a functor") {
    const std::vector<std::string> words = read_all_words();

    CHECK(count_words(words, HasLengthEqualTo{2}) == 427);
    CHECK(count_words(words, HasLengthEqualTo{15}) == 8846);
}
```


Anagram set with the most words

```
using ComputeProperty = std::function<size_t(const WordSet &)>;
size_t get_max_property_value(const std::vector<WordSet> &anagram_sets,
                             const ComputeProperty &compute_property);

using AnagramSetPredicate = std::function<bool(const WordSet &)>;
std::set<WordSet> filter_anagram_sets(const std::vector<WordSet> &input_sets,
                                     const AnagramSetPredicate &predicate);

std::set<WordSet>
find_anagrams_with_most_words(const std::vector<WordSet> &anagram_sets) {
    const size_t max_anagram_count = get_max_property_value(
        anagram_sets, [](const WordSet &word_set) { return word_set.size(); });

    auto has_most_anagrams = [max_anagram_count](const WordSet &word_set) {
        return word_set.size() == max_anagram_count;
    };
    return filter_anagram_sets(anagram_sets, has_most_anagrams);
}
```

Functions of other functions

```
size_t get_max_property_value(const std::vector<WordSet> &anagram_sets,
                             const ComputeProperty &compute_property) {
    assert(!anagram_sets.empty());
    auto compare = [&compute_property](const auto &left, const auto &right) {
        return compute_property(left) < compute_property(right);
    };
    return compute_property(
        *std::max_element(anagram_sets.begin(), anagram_sets.end(), compare));
}

std::set<WordSet> filter_anagram_sets(const std::vector<WordSet> &input_sets,
                                     const AnagramSetPredicate &predicate) {
    std::set<WordSet> filtered;
    std::copy_if(input_sets.begin(), input_sets.end(),
                 std::inserter(filtered, filtered.end()), predicate);

    return filtered;
}
```

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Anagrams with the longest words

```
size_t anagram_length(const WordSet &word_set) {  
    assert(!word_set.empty() && !word_set.begin()->empty());  
    return word_set.begin()->size();  
}  
  
std::set<WordSet>  
find_longest_anagrams(const std::vector<WordSet> &anagram_sets) {  
    const size_t max_anagram_length =  
        get_max_property_value(anagram_sets, anagram_length);  
  
    auto has_max_length = [max_anagram_length](const WordSet &word_set) {  
        return anagram_length(word_set) == max_anagram_length;  
    };  
    return filter_anagram_sets(anagram_sets, has_max_length);  
}
```



```
std::set<WordSet>
find_anagrams_with_most_words(const std::vector<WordSet> &anagram_sets) {
    const size_t max_anagram_count = get_max_property_value(
        anagram_sets, [](const WordSet &word_set) { return word_set.size(); });

    auto has_most_anagrams = [max_anagram_count](const WordSet &word_set) {
        return word_set.size() == max_anagram_count;
    };
    return filter_anagram_sets(anagram_sets, has_most_anagrams);
}
```

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    const size_t max_anagram_length =
        get_max_property_value(anagram_sets, anagram_length);

    auto has_max_length = [max_anagram_length](const WordSet &word_set) {
        return anagram_length(word_set) == max_anagram_length;
    };
    return filter_anagram_sets(anagram_sets, has_max_length);
}
```

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Anagram sets: Packing the result

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std::vector<WordSet> get_anagram_sets(const std::vector<std::string> &words);

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std::set<WordSet>
find_anagrams_with_most_words(const std::vector<WordSet> &anagram_sets);

ExcitingAnagrams find_anagrams(const std::vector<std::string> &words) {
    const auto anagram_sets = get_anagram_sets(words);

    return ExcitingAnagrams{
        MostAnagrams{find_anagrams_with_most_words(anagram_sets)},
        LongestAnagrams{find_longest_anagrams(anagram_sets)}};
}
```


Lesson Summary

- We know 14 anagrams to the word “alters”
- Use `std::function` when you want to create a generic function (but don’t overuse it =)
- Use structured bindings to give things more accurate names in more concise way

Course highlights

What did we accomplish?

- Wrote a lot of unit-tests for C++ code
- Figured out how to use iterators and learned to care about keeping them valid
- Learned about algorithms that can be applied the same way to many containers
- And about lambda expressions that are a convenient way to customise algorithms
- Wrote our own hash functions while fitting custom types into maps and sets
- Talked a lot about palindromes, anagrams and persimmon erasure



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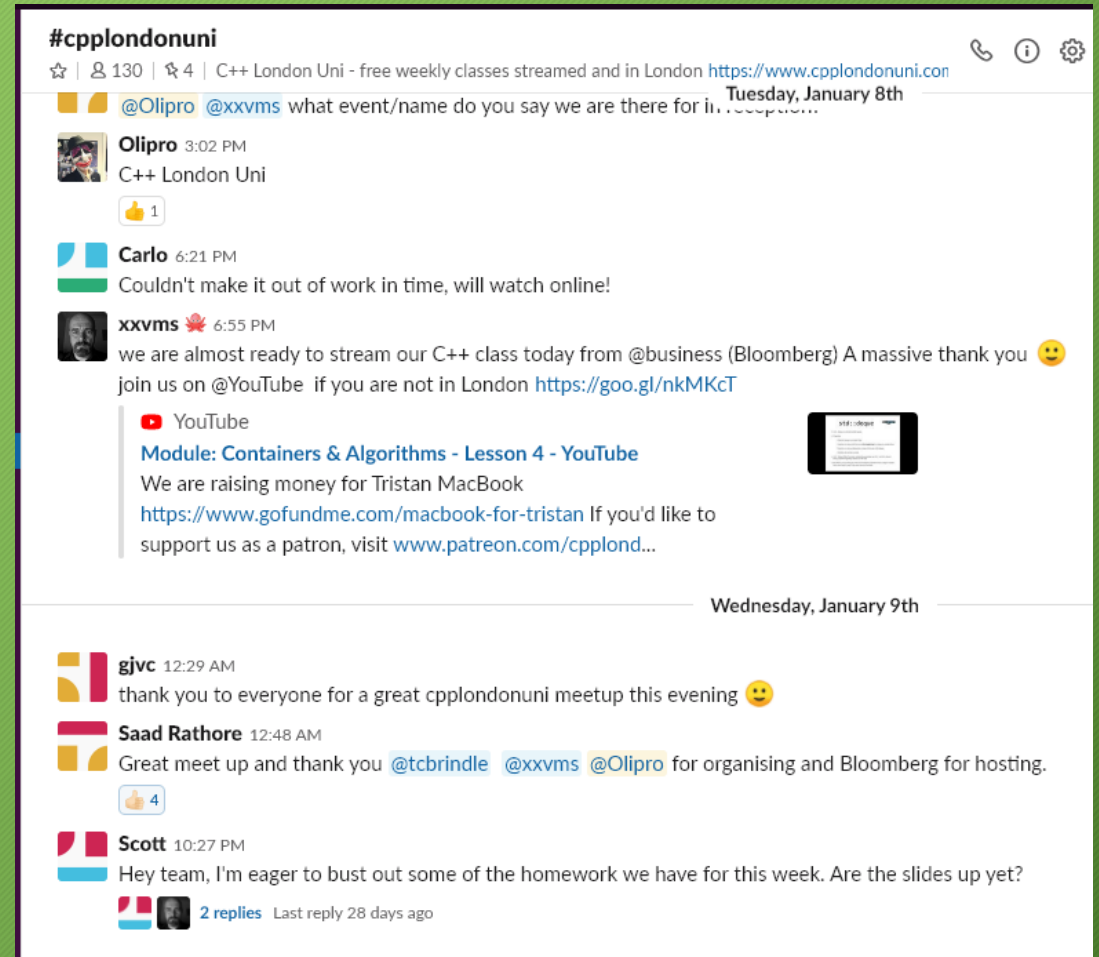
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Feedback

- We'd love to hear from you!
- The easiest way is via the *CPPLang* Slack organisation. Our chatroom is #cpplondonuni
- If you already use Slack, don't worry, it supports multiple workgroups!
- Go to <https://slack.cpp.al> to register.



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