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Object Lifetime: From Start to Finish

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Me finally understanding why
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... and realizing I didn't really understand
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What is object
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On this talk...

You can expect...

but not...

- Review of object lifetime
- (A Little of) RAII
- Beyond basic lifetime
- Common pitfalls
- Value categories
- Unions/Arrays
- Any assembly code

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Want to learn more about C++ in a highly interactive way?

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We will discuss the types of Object Lifetime that exist in C++, and go through some fun puzzle-like exercises together.

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};  
  
ObjWithConstructor o1;  
  
struct ObjWithVirtualFunction {  
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ObjWithVirtualFunction o2;
```

Vacuous initialization

```
int num;  
float pi;  
bool flag;  
  
struct EmptyPoint {};  
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struct Point { int x, y; };  
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► 14    auto v3 = Foo(3);     // Foo(3)
15    auto v4 = new Foo(4);
16 }
```

```
1 using namespace std;
2
3 struct Foo {
4     Foo(int i) : m_i(i) { cout << "Foo(" << m_i << ")" << endl; }
5     ~Foo() { cout << "~Foo(" << m_i << ")" << endl; }
6     int m_i;
7 };
8
9 int main() {
10    auto v1 = Foo(1);           // Foo(1)
11    {
12        auto v2 = Foo(2);     // Foo(2)
13    }                         // ~Foo(2)
14    auto v3 = Foo(3);         // Foo(3)
15    auto v4 = new Foo(4);      // Foo(4)
16 }
```

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6     int m_i;
7 };
8
9 int main() {
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11    {
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13    }                         // ~Foo(2)
14    auto v3 = Foo(3);         // Foo(3)
15    auto v4 = new Foo(4);     // Foo(4)
16 }
```

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6     int m_i;
7 };
8
9 int main() {
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11    {
12        auto v2 = Foo(2);       // Foo(2)
13    }                           // ~Foo(2)
14    auto v3 = Foo(3);           // Foo(3)
15    auto v4 = new Foo(4);        // Foo(4)
16 }
```

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6     int m_i;
7 };
8
9 int main() {
10    auto v1 = Foo(1);           // Foo(1)
11    {
12        auto v2 = Foo(2);     // Foo(2)
13    }                         // ~Foo(2)
14    auto v3 = Foo(3);         // Foo(3)
15    auto v4 = new Foo(4);     // Foo(4)
16 }                         // ~Foo(3), ~Foo(1)
```

When lifetime starts and finishes?

6.8 Object lifetime

[**basic.life**]

- ¹ The *lifetime* of an object or reference is a runtime property of the object or reference. An object is said to have *non-vacuous initialization* if it is of a class or aggregate type and it or one of its subobjects is initialized by a constructor other than a trivial default constructor. [Note: Initialization by a trivial copy/move constructor is non-vacuous initialization. — *end note*] The lifetime of an object of type T begins when:

- (1.1) — storage with the proper alignment and size for type T is obtained, and
- (1.2) — if the object has non-vacuous initialization, its initialization is complete,

except that if the object is a union member or subobject thereof, its lifetime only begins if that union member is the initialized member in the union (11.6.1, 15.6.2), or as described in 12.3. The lifetime of an object o of type T ends when:

- (1.3) — if T is a class type with a non-trivial destructor (15.4), the destructor call starts, or
- (1.4) — the storage which the object occupies is released, or is reused by an object that is not nested within o (4.5).

{

{

RAII

Resource Acquisition Is Initialization

{

RAII

Resource Acquisition Is Initialization

Tying resource acquisition and deallocation to **object lifetime**.

```
1 struct DynamicArray {  
2     explicit DynamicArray(size_t sz) : m_d(new int[sz]) {}  
3     ~DynamicArray() { delete[] m_d; }  
4     // ...  
5     int* m_d;  
6 };  
7 int main() {  
8     DynamicArray arr(5);  
9     // Populate/work on array  
10    return 0;  
11 }
```

```
1 struct DynamicArray {  
2     explicit DynamicArray(size_t sz) : m_d(new int[sz]) {}  
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```

More RAII usage

Heap memory allocation

`std::shared_ptr`
`std::unique_ptr`

Mutexes

`std::lock_guard`
`std::unique/shared_lock`

Threads

`std::jthread`

File management

`std::fstream*`

Including on the STL

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Including **most** of the STL



https://youtu.be/Rfu06XAhx90?si=GGa_g9w18RN_xUpG

Object Lifetime

From **Start** to **Finish**

Thamara Andrade | <https://thamara.dev/>

Object Lifetime

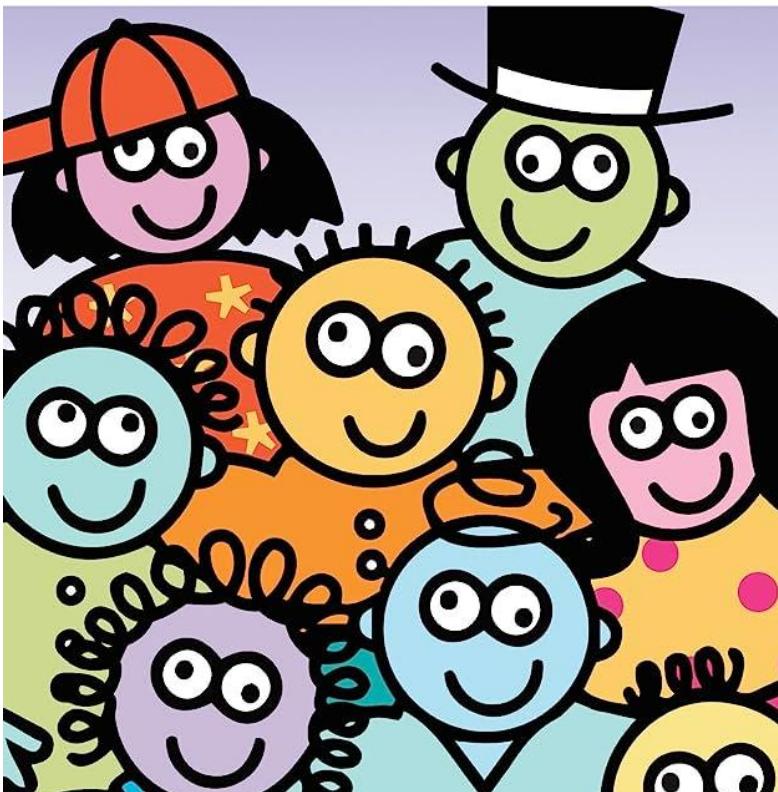
From **Start** to **Finish**,
and the **tricky parts all around**

tricky parts all around

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PLURAL NOUN

Whether chipping away at a/an _____ statue or stitching
ADJECTIVE
a patchwork _____, crafting is always a labor of
NOUN
_____. But sometimes the most _____ part of
NOUN ADJECTIVE
producing art is deciding what to _____ next! Luckily, the
VERB
Internet can lend a helping _____. There are plenty
PART OF THE BODY
of mood boards and photo _____ online to consult for
PLURAL NOUN
inspiration. It doesn't matter if you're redesigning (the) _____,
A PLACE
painting a/an _____, or hosting a dinner party for
NOUN
_____, the Internet will have plenty of _____
NUMBER ADJECTIVE
advice. And if you're feeling _____, you can create your own
ADJECTIVE
_____ board and inspire dozens of followers with your
NOUN
_____ designs. With an infinite number of new projects to
ADJECTIVE
_____, the only challenge will be finding the
VERB
_____ to complete them all!
NOUN

```
1 struct Foo;  
2 struct Obj {  
3     _____ getFoo() { ... }  
4     ...  
5 };  
6 int main() {  
7     Obj o;  
8     _____ val = o.getFoo();  
9 }
```

const Foo&

const Foo

Foo&

Foo

```
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4     ...  
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```

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const Foo

Foo&

Foo

Return
Initialize

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5 };  
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```

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const Foo

Foo&

Foo

Return
Initialize

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9 }
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const Foo&

const Foo

Foo&

Foo

Return
Initialize

```
1 struct Foo;  
2 struct Obj {  
3               Foo           getFoo() { return Foo(); }  
4     ...  
5 };  
6 int main() {  
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8               Foo           val = o.getFoo();  
9 }
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const Foo&

const Foo

Foo&

Foo

Return
Initialize

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1 struct Foo;  
2 struct Obj {  
3               Foo            getFoo() { return  Foo();  }  
4     ...  
5 };  
6 int main() {  
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const Foo&

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Foo&

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Return
Initialize

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9 }
```

Temporary is initialized
directly in val's storage

Return Value
Optimization (RVO)

const Foo&

const Foo

Foo&

Foo

Return
Initialize

```
1 struct Foo;  
2 struct Obj {  
3               Foo            getFoo() { ... }  
4     ...  
5 };  
6 int main() {  
7     Obj o;  
8               Foo            val = o.getFoo();  
9 }
```

Usually one object,
at most Foo(Foo&&)

const Foo&

const Foo

Foo&

Foo

Return

Initialize

```
1 struct Foo;  
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3     Foo& getFoo() { ... }  
4     ...  
5 };  
6 int main() {  
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9 }
```

const Foo&

const Foo

Foo&

Foo

Return

Initialize

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```

Foo(const Foo&)

const Foo&

const Foo

Foo&

Foo

Return

Initialize

```
1 struct Foo;  
2 struct Obj {  
3     const Foo& getFoo() { ... }  
4     ...  
5 };  
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9 }
```

Foo(const Foo&)



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Back to Basics: The Rule of Five

Designing a class to behave correctly when copied and moved takes a lot of thought. The Core Guidelines provide guidance to streamline that work. In this talk we are going to look at the Core Guideline known as "the Rule of Five", how it came about, and is there anything better.



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• Back to Basics

const Foo&

Return
Initialize

const Foo

Foo&

Foo

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9 }
```

const Foo&

Return
Initialize

const Foo

Foo&

Foo

```
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4     ...  
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Return
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Dangling references

Dangling references

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4     int m_i{3};  
5 };  
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11     Bar m_bar;  
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```

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```
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```



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```



```
13 int main() {  
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15     const Bar& b = f->getBar();  
16     auto i1 = b.m_i; // <<< OK!  
17     delete f;  
18     auto i2 = b.m_i;  
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```
13 int main() {  
14     Foo* f = new Foo(); // Bar(), Foo()  
15     const Bar& b = f->getBar();  
16     auto i1 = b.m_i; // <<< OK!  
17     delete f; // ~Foo(), ~Bar()  
18     auto i2 = b.m_i; // <<< Oh no! UB!  
19 }
```

Dangling references

= UB ☹

const Foo&

Return
Initialize

const Foo

Foo&

Foo

```
1 struct Foo;  
2 struct Obj {  
3     const Foo& getFoo() { return m_foo; }  
4     ...  
5 };  
6 int main() {  
7     Obj o;  
8     const Foo& val = o.getFoo();  
9 }
```



const Foo&

Initialize

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Foo&

Return

Foo



const Foo&

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Foo

Return
Initialize

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const Foo

Foo&

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3     Foo& getFoo() { return m_foo; } !  
4     ...  
5 };  
6 int main() {  
7     Obj o;  
8     Foo& val = o.getFoo(); !  
9 }
```

Be careful with objects you don't
know/control the lifetime!

const Foo&

const Foo

Foo&

Foo

```
1 struct Foo;  
2 struct Obj {  
3     _____ getFoo() { ... }  
4     ...  
5 };  
6 int main() {  
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9 }
```

const Foo&

Return

const Foo

Foo&

Foo

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5 };  
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Initialize

const Foo&

Return

const Foo

Foo&

Foo

```
1 struct Foo;  
2 struct Obj {  
3     const Foo& getFoo() { ... }  
4     ...  
5 };  
6 int main() {  
7     Obj o;  
8     Foo& val = o.getFoo();   
9 } error: binding reference of type 'Foo' to value of type 'const  
Foo' drops 'const' qualifier
```

const Foo&

const Foo

Foo&

Foo

Initialize

Return

```
1 struct Foo;  
2 struct Obj {  
3     Foo      getFoo() { ... }  
4     ...  
5 };  
6 int main() {  
7     Obj o;  
8     Foo&    val = o.getFoo();  
9 }
```

const Foo&

const Foo

Foo&

Foo

Initialize

Return

```
1 struct Foo;  
2 struct Obj {  
3     Foo      getFoo() { ... }  
4     ...  
5 };  
6 int main() {  
7     Obj o;  
8     Foo&    val = o.getFoo(); X  
9 } error: non-const lvalue reference to type 'Foo' cannot bind  
to a temporary of type 'Foo'
```

const Foo&

const Foo

Foo&

Foo

Initialize

Return

```
1 struct Foo;  
2 struct Obj {  
3     Foo getFoo() { ... }  
4     ...  
5 };  
6 int main() {  
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9 }
```

const Foo&

const Foo

Foo&

Foo

Initialize

Return

```
1 struct Foo;  
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const Foo

Foo&

Foo

Initialize

Return

```
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3     Foo getFoo() { ... }  
4     ...  
5 };  
6 int main() {  
7     Obj o;  
8     const Foo& val = o.getFoo(); ✓  
9 }
```

9/9

const Foo&

const Foo

Foo&

Foo

Initialize

Return

```
1 struct Foo;  
2 struct Obj {  
3     Foo getFoo() { ... }  
4     ...  
5 };  
6 int main() {  
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9 }
```

Reference lifetime
extension

15.2 Temporary objects

[**class.temporary**]

- 4 When an implementation introduces a temporary object of a class that has a non-trivial constructor (15.1, 15.8), it shall ensure that a constructor is called for the temporary object. Similarly, the destructor shall be called for a temporary with a non-trivial destructor (15.4). **Temporary objects are destroyed as the last step in evaluating the full-expression (4.6) that (lexically) contains the point where they were created.** This is true even if that evaluation ends in throwing an exception. The value computations and side effects of destroying a temporary object are associated only with the full-expression, not with any specific subexpression.

```
1 using namespace std;
2
3 struct Bar {
4     Bar(int i) : m_i(i) {cout << "Bar(" << m_i << ")" << endl; }
5     ~Bar() { cout << "~Bar(" << m_i << ")" << endl; }
6     int m_i;
7 };
8
9 struct Foo {
10    Foo(int i) : m_i(i) {cout << "Foo(" << m_i << ")" << endl; }
11    ~Foo() { cout << "~Foo(" << m_i << ")" << endl; }
12    Bar getBar() { return Bar(m_i); }
13    int m_i;
14 };
```

```
1 using namespace std;
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13    int m_i;
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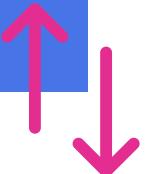
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3 int main() {
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- 4 When an implementation introduces a temporary object of a class that has a non-trivial constructor (15.1, 15.8), it shall ensure that a constructor is called for the temporary object. Similarly, the destructor shall be called for a temporary with a non-trivial destructor (15.4). **Temporary objects are destroyed as the last step in evaluating the full-expression (4.6) that (lexically) contains the point where they were created.** This is true even if that evaluation ends in throwing an exception. The value computations and side effects of destroying a temporary object are associated only with the full-expression, not with any specific subexpression.

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16 } // ~int', ~Foo(2), ~Foo(1)
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 - (6.1) — A temporary object bound to a reference parameter in a function call (8.2.2) persists until the completion of the full-expression containing the call.

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const Foo& retTempRef(const Foo& f) { return f; }

void doSomething(const Foo& f);

int main() {

    doSomething(retTempRef(Foo(1)));
}

}
```

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struct S { int mi; const std::pair<int,int>& mp; };
S a { 1, {2,3} };
S* p = new S{ 1, {2,3} }; // Creates dangling reference
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—end example] [Note: This may introduce a dangling reference, and implementations are encouraged to issue a warning in such a case. —end note]

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Wording for P2644R1 Fix for Range-based for Loop

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In subclause 6.7.7 [class.temporary], modify p5:

There are ~~three~~four contexts in which temporaries are destroyed at a different point than the end of the full-expression. ...

In subclause 6.7.7 [class.temporary], add a paragraph after p6

The fourth context is when a temporary object other than a function parameter object is created in the *for-range-initializer* of a range-based for statement. If such a temporary object would otherwise be destroyed at the end of the *for-range-initializer* full-expression, the object persists for the lifetime of the reference initialized by the *for-range-initializer*.

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int main() {
    if (doSomething(Foo().getBar())) {
        // ...
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struct Bar {};
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- 4 When an implementation introduces a temporary object of a class that has a non-trivial constructor (15.1, 15.8), it shall ensure that a constructor is called for the temporary object. Similarly, the destructor shall be called for a temporary with a non-trivial destructor (15.4). **Temporary objects are destroyed as the last step in evaluating the full-expression (4.6) that (lexically) contains the point where they were created.** This is true even if that evaluation ends in throwing an exception. The value computations and side effects of destroying a temporary object are associated only with the full-expression, not with any specific subexpression.

Review

- What's object lifetime, when it begins and when it ends
- Dangling references
- Lifetime extension
- Lifetime of temporaries and its exceptions and pitfalls

Thank you!