

# Beware the Default Constructor

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# Message Callback

Each message has its own type  
and each type has its own  
virtual function

```
struct INormalizedMessageFeedCallback {  
    virtual void OnAggregatedPriceUpdate(const AggregatedPriceUpdate&, void*) = 0;  
    virtual void OnPacketBegin(const PacketBegin&, void*) = 0;  
    virtual void OnPacketEnd(const PacketEnd&, void*) = 0;  
    virtual void OnMissingPackets(const MissingPackets&, void*) = 0;  
    virtual void OnError(const Error&, void*) = 0;  
    virtual void OnRecoveryBegin(const RecoveryBegin&, void*) = 0;  
    virtual void OnRecoveryEnd(const RecoveryEnd&, void*) = 0;  
    virtual void OnMissingProductMessages(const MissingProductMessages&, void*) = 0;  
    virtual void OnUnsubscribedProduct(const UnsubscribedProduct&, void*) = 0;  
    virtual void OnAddOrder(const AddOrder&, void*) = 0;  
    virtual void OnModifyOrder(const ModifyOrder&, void*) = 0;  
    virtual void OnCancelOrder(const CancelOrder&, void*) = 0;  
    virtual void OnPriceLevelUpdate(const PriceLevelUpdate&, void*) = 0;  
    virtual void OnAddPriceLevel(const AddPriceLevel&, void*) = 0;  
    virtual void OnModifyPriceLevel(const ModifyPriceLevel&, void*) = 0;  
    virtual void OnDeletePriceLevel(const DeletePriceLevel&, void*) = 0;  
    virtual void OnClearOrders(const ClearOrders&, void*) = 0;  
    virtual void OnClearPriceLevels(const ClearPriceLevels&, void*) = 0;  
    virtual void OnOrderImbalance(const OrderImbalance&, void*) = 0;  
    virtual void OnAuctionSummary(const AuctionSummary&, void*) = 0;  
    virtual void OnProductStatus(const ProductStatus&, void*) = 0;  
    virtual void OnFeedStatus(const FeedStatus&, void*) = 0;  
    virtual void OnMarketStatus(const MarketStatus&, void*) = 0;  
    virtual void OnRetailPriceImprovement(const RetailPriceImprovement&, void*) = 0;  
    virtual void OnBBOQuote(const BBOQuote&, void*) = 0;  
    virtual void OnNBBOQuote(const NBBOQuote&, void*) = 0;  
    virtual void OnProductAnnouncement(const ProductAnnouncement&, void*) = 0;  
    virtual void OnProductStatistics(const ProductStatistics&, void*) = 0;  
    virtual void OnTrade(const Trade&, void*) = 0;  
    virtual void OnTradeBreak(const TradeBreak&, void*) = 0;  
    // ...  
};
```

# Singly-Typed Channel

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Mailbox allows communication between threads but only accepts a single type of data

Adaptation will be required to collapse multiple types into the single type accepted by this channel

```
template<typename T>
struct Mailbox {
    void push(Member m);
    template<typename... Args>
    void emplace(Args&&... args);
    void finish();
};
```

This is a job for `std::variant`

# Variant

Each message has a  
corresponding alternative

```
using PipelineVariant = std::variant<  
    FlattenedAPU,  
    PacketBeginWithStorage,  
    PacketEndWithStorage,  
    MissingPackets,  
    ErrorWithStorage,  
    RecoveryBegin,  
    RecoveryEnd,  
    MissingProductMessages,  
    UnsubscribedProduct,  
    AddOrder,  
    ModifyOrder,  
    CancelOrder,  
    PriceLevelUpdate,  
    AddPriceLevel,  
    ModifyPriceLevel,  
    DeletePriceLevel,  
    ClearOrders,  
    ClearPriceLevels,  
    OrderImbalance,  
    AuctionSummary,  
    ProductStatus,  
    FeedStatus,  
    MarketStatus,  
    RetailPriceImprovement,  
    BBOQuote,  
    NBBOQuote,  
    ProductAnnouncement,  
    ProductStatistics,  
    Trade,  
    // ...  
>;
```

# Adaptation

Due to requirements to persist transient storage some types must be different

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    ErrorWithStorage,  
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    RecoveryEnd,  
    MissingProductMessages,  
    UnsubscribedProduct,  
    AddOrder,  
    ModifyOrder,  
    CancelOrder,  
    PriceLevelUpdate,  
    AddPriceLevel,  
    ModifyPriceLevel,  
    DeletePriceLevel,  
    ClearOrders,  
    ClearPriceLevels,  
    OrderImbalance,  
    AuctionSummary,  
    ProductStatus,  
    FeedStatus,  
    MarketStatus,  
    RetailPriceImprovement,  
    BBOQuote,  
    NBBOQuote,  
    ProductAnnouncement,  
    ProductStatistics,  
    Trade,  
    // ...  
>;
```

# Two Variants

Left variant is types that will actually be sent down the pipeline, right variant is types actually emitted by system via virtual functions seen earlier

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    ProductStatus,
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    MarketStatus,
    RetailPriceImprovement,
    BBOQuote,
    NBBOQuote,
    ProductAnnouncement,
    ProductStatistics,
    Trade,
    // ...
>;
```

```
using Variant = std::variant<
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    Error,
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    RecoveryEnd,
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    ModifyOrder,
    CancelOrder,
    PriceLevelUpdate,
    AddPriceLevel,
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```

# Uniform Metadata

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Our pipeline variant doesn't go directly down the pipeline since we want a layer to introduce uniform metadata (a pointer to the session which emitted the message)

```
struct Update {  
    PipelineVariant message;  
    const ISession *session;  
};
```



# Implementation

Handler for each message type simply defers to buildMessage  
buildMessage grabs the session pointer (unfortunately a global) and defers to the derived class via the template method pattern

Derived implementation (bottom of slide) default constructs an Update, populates it, and then pushes it into the output Mailbox

```
struct Handler : IAggregatedPriceFeedCallback {
    virtual void message(Variant, const ISession*) = 0;
    void buildMessage(Variant variant) {
        prepareMessage(std::move(variant), CurrentExchangeSession::Get());
    }
    void OnAggregatedPriceUpdate(const AggregatedPriceUpdate& arg, void*) final {
        buildMessage(arg);
    }
    void OnPacketBegin(const PacketBegin& arg, void*) final {
        buildMessage(arg);
    }
    void OnPacketEnd(const PacketEnd& arg, void*) final {
        buildMessage(arg);
    }
    void OnMissingPackets(const MissingPackets& arg, void*) final {
        buildMessage(arg);
    }
    void OnError(const Error& arg, void*) final {
        buildMessage(arg);
    }
    void OnRecoveryBegin(const RecoveryBegin& arg, void*) final {
        buildMessage(arg);
    }
    // ...
};
// ...
void message(Variant variant, const ISession* const session) {
    Update update;
    update.session = session;
    std::visit(OverloadSet{/* ... */}, std::move(variant));
    output.push(std::move(update));
}
```



# Let's Look Closer

## What happens for each update?

- Message is copied into `std::variant` to call `buildMessage`
- `std::variant` is moved to call `message`
- `Update` is default constructed (which default constructs contained `std::variant`, which in turn default constructs `FlattenedAPU`)
- Input `std::variant` is visited
- Alternative of `std::variant` contained by `Update` is changed to reflect actual message type being processed
- `Update` is moved into call to `Mailbox::push`



Everything is moved so it's fast, right?

# Variants are 2 184 bytes

# Test run takes 8 hours

# Old application took 4.5





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# Revisiting Update

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Before...

```
struct Update {  
    PipelineVariant message;  
    const ISession* session;  
  
};
```



# Revisiting Update

We could simply use aggregate initialization but adding the constructor enforces that this is the only way to construct this type ensuring we don't wind up with this performance degradation again

```
struct Update {  
    PipelineVariant message;  
    const ISession* session;  
    template<typename T>  
        requires std::constructible_from<PipelineVariant, T>  
    constexpr explicit Update(  
        T&& t,  
        const bp::feed::ISession* const session)  
        : message(std::forward<T>(t)),  
          session(session)  
    {}  
};
```

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    Update update;  
    update.session = session;  
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        std::move(variant));  
    output.push(std::move(update));  
}
```

# Revisiting message

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Rather than creating intermediate objects and moving them around this implementation creates the output object directly in place within the Mailbox

```
void message(Variant variant, const ISession* const session) {  
    output.emplace(  
        Elide([&]() {  
            return std::visit(  
                OverloadSet{/* ... */},  
                std::move(variant));  
        }  
    ),  
    session);  
}
```

# Elide?

Utility to access C++17  
guaranteed RVO within the  
context of  
emplacement/forwarding  
construction

```
void message(Variant variant, const ISession* const session) {  
    output.emplace(  
        Elide(&]() {  
            return std::visit(  
                OverloadSet{/* ... */},  
                std::move(variant));  
            })),  
    session);  
}
```

C++ now

# An Adventure in Modern Library Design

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# Time down to 6 hours



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    }  
    // ...  
};
```



# Revisiting Handler

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Using the CRTP (curiously  
recurring template pattern)  
allows us to both eliminate the  
virtual call and eliminate the  
intermediate `std::variant`

```
template<typename Derived>
struct Handler : IAggregatedPriceFeedCallback {
    template<typename Message>
    void buildMessage(const Message& message) {
        static_cast<Derived&>(*this).message(
            message,
            CurrentExchangeSession::Get());
    }
    // ...
};
```

# Re-revisiting message

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Before...

```
void message(Variant variant, const ISession* const session) {  
    output.emplace(  
        Elide([&]() {  
            return std::visit(  
                OverloadSet{/* ... */},  
                std::move(variant));  
        })),  
        session);  
}
```

# Re-visiting message

Refactoring into a template eliminates the need to call `std::visit` since we're directly instantiated with the input type

```
template<typename Message>
void message(const Message& message, const ISession* const session) {
    output.emplace(
        Elide([&]() {
            if constexpr (/* ... */) {
                return PipelineVariant(
                    std::in_place_type</* ... */>,
                    /* ... */);
            } else if constexpr (/* ... */) {
                // ...
            } else {
                return PipelineVariant(
                    std::in_place_type</* ... */>,
                    /* ... */);
            }
        }
    ),
    session);
}
```

# Time comparable to original



Everything is moved so it's fast, right?

# TANSTAAFL

There Ain't No Such Thing As A Free Lunch

# Thank you

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