

# Projektowanie złożonych systemów telekomunikacyjnych

**Templates & Concepts**

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# Introduction

# Introduction

## Templates

- Feature of C++ that enables generic programming
- Feature of C++ that enables compile-time metaprogramming
  - Initially purely functional style
  - ...more imperative compile-time programming with introduction of constexpr

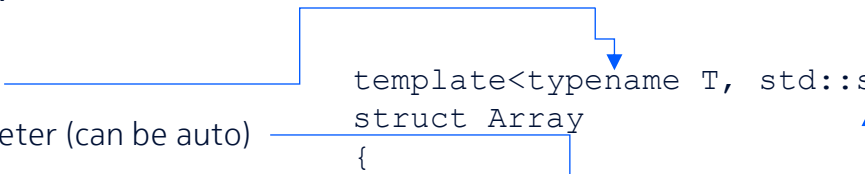
# Class templates

## Basic syntax

Type parameter

Non-type parameter (can be auto)

```
template<typename T, std::size_t S>
struct Array
{
    T contents[S];
    //...
}
```




Note the types are unrelated

Generally manually specified, can be deduced from class's constructor since C++17, expanded in C++20.

Use with caution, caveats may apply!

```
int main(int, char**)
{
    Array<int, 3u> ai{1,2,3};
    Array<double, 8> ad{};
}
```



Templates are inline by default

<https://godbolt.org/z/KhPhTnvPr>

# Class templates

## Basic syntax

Multiple type parameters

```
template<typename T1, typename T2>
struct pair
{
    T1 first;
    T2 second;
};
```

## std::pair

Defined in header `<utility>`

```
template<
    class T1,
    class T2
> struct pair;
```

<https://en.cppreference.com/w/cpp/utility/pair>

# Class templates

## Basic syntax

Template parameters can have default values

Rules similar to function parameters  
– defaults from right to left

### `std::unique_ptr`

```
Defined in header <memory>
template<
    class T,
    class Deleter = std::default_delete<T> (1) (since C++11)
> class unique_ptr;

template <
    class T,
    class Deleter (2) (since C++11)
> class unique_ptr<T[], Deleter>;
```

[https://en.cppreference.com/w/cpp/memory/unique\\_ptr](https://en.cppreference.com/w/cpp/memory/unique_ptr)

### `std::vector`

```
Defined in header <vector>
template<
    class T,
    class Allocator = std::allocator<T>
> class vector;
```

<https://en.cppreference.com/w/cpp/container/vector>

# Class templates

## Basic syntax

Class templates can be variadic, i.e. with various number of parameters

### `std::tuple`

Defined in header `<tuple>`

```
template< class... Types >      (since C++11)  
class tuple;
```

<https://en.cppreference.com/w/cpp/utility/tuple>



# Class templates

## Basic syntax

Class templates can be variadic, i.e. with various number of parameters

This is called parameter pack.

Generally (there are some exceptions), parametr packs should appear as the last template parameter.

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Defined in header `<tuple>`

```
template< class... Types >      (since C++11)  
class tuple;
```

<https://en.cppreference.com/w/cpp/utility/tuple>

# Class templates

## Basic syntax

Type's name in parameter pack refers to its first element, the rest is expanded using ...

```
#include <iostream>

template<typename ...Functor>
struct OverloadedFunctor : Functor...
{
    using Functor::operator()...;
};

struct IntPrinter
{
    void operator()(int x) const { std::cout << x << '\n';}
};

struct DoublePrinter
{
    void operator()(double x) const { std::cout << x << '\n';}
};

int main(int, char**)
{
    OverloadedFunctor<IntPrinter, DoublePrinter> p;
    p(3);
    p(3.14);
}
```

<https://godbolt.org/z/nPa3d4sfY>

# Class templates

## Basic syntax

Type's name in parameter pack refers to its first element, the rest is expanded using ...

or recursively (due to lack of some features in standards predating C++17)

<https://godbolt.org/z/daejch7TP>

```
#include <iostream>

template<typename Functor, typename ...Rest>
struct OverloadedFunctor : Functor, OverloadedFunctor<Rest...>
{
    using Functor::operator()...;
    using OverloadedFunctor<Rest...>::operator();
};

template<typename Functor>
struct OverloadedFunctor<Functor> : Functor
{
    using Functor::operator()...;
};

struct IntPrinter
{
    void operator()(int x) const { std::cout << x << '\n';}
};

struct DoublePrinter
{
    void operator()(double x) const { std::cout << x << '\n';}
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← Partial specialization

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Number of elements is return by **sizeof...(args)**

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#include <iostream>

template<typename Functor, typename ...Rest>
struct OverloadedFunctor : Functor, OverloadedFunctor<Rest...>
{
    using Functor::operator()...;
    using OverloadedFunctor<Rest...>::operator();
};

template<typename Functor>
struct OverloadedFunctor<Functor> : Functor
{
    using Functor::operator()...;
};

struct IntPrinter
{
    void operator()(int x) const { std::cout << x << '\n';}
};

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{
    void operator()(double x) const { std::cout << x << '\n';}
};

int main(int, char**)
{
    OverloadedFunctor<IntPrinter, DoublePrinter> p;
    p(3);
    p(3.14);
    return OverloadedFunctor<IntPrinter, DoublePrinter>::numberOfParams;
}
```

← Partial specialization

<https://godbolt.org/z/GTYGxnbqf>

# Class templates

## Basic syntax

Specializations allow specific behaviour of a template, e.g.:

1. Using functions specific for a type parameter

```
template<typename Container>
class AppendingContainerWrapper
{
public:
    explicit AppendingContainerWrapper(Container& c)
        : container(std::addressof(c)) {}
    void push_back(const typename Container::value_type& val)
    {
        std::cout << "other\n";
        container->insert(container->end(), val);
    }
private:
    Container* container;
};

template<typename T>
class AppendingContainerWrapper<std::vector<T>>
{
public:
    explicit AppendingContainerWrapper(std::vector<T>& v)
        : container(std::addressof(v)) {}
    void push_back(const T& val)
    {
        std::cout << "vec\n";
        container->push_back(val);
    }
private:
    std::vector<T>* container;
};
```

**typename** keyword for dependent types

<https://godbolt.org/z/T37cvrosY>

# Class templates

## Basic syntax

Specializations allow specific behaviour of a template, e.g.:

1. Using functions specific for a type parameter
2. Identify type (type traits)

```
#include <type_traits>

template<typename>
struct isPointer : std::false_type{};

template<typename T>
struct isPointer<T*> : std::true_type{};

template<typename T>
struct isPointer<T* const> : std::true_type{};

template<typename T>
struct isPointer<T* volatile> : std::true_type{};

template<typename T>
struct isPointer<T* const volatile> : std::true_type{};

static_assert(isPointer<int*>::value, "");
static_assert(isPointer<const double* volatile>::value, "");
static_assert(isPointer<const float* const>::value, "");
static_assert(!isPointer<int>::value, "");
```

<https://godbolt.org/z/fx9Eo836P>

# Class templates

## Basic syntax

Similar for full specializations

```
#include <type_traits>

template<typename>
struct isBool : std::false_type{};

template<>
struct isBool<bool> : std::true_type{};

static_assert(!isBool<int*>::value, "");
static_assert(!isBool<char>::value, "");
static_assert(isBool<bool>::value, "");
```

<https://godbolt.org/z/YYMPPrEeGo>

# Class templates

## Basic syntax

Similar for full specializations

...even custom member functions  
can be added, see

`std::vector<bool>`

### Modifiers

<code>clear</code>	clears the contents (public member function of <code>std::vector&lt;T,Allocator&gt;</code> )
<code>insert</code>	inserts elements (public member function of <code>std::vector&lt;T,Allocator&gt;</code> )
<code>insert_range</code> (C++23)	inserts a range of elements (public member function of <code>std::vector&lt;T,Allocator&gt;</code> )
<code>append_range</code> (C++23)	adds a range of elements to the end (public member function of <code>std::vector&lt;T,Allocator&gt;</code> )
<code>emplace</code> (C++11)	constructs element in-place (public member function of <code>std::vector&lt;T,Allocator&gt;</code> )
<code>erase</code>	erases elements (public member function of <code>std::vector&lt;T,Allocator&gt;</code> )
<code>push_back</code>	adds an element to the end (public member function of <code>std::vector&lt;T,Allocator&gt;</code> )
<code>emplace_back</code> (C++11)	constructs an element in-place at the end (public member function of <code>std::vector&lt;T,Allocator&gt;</code> )
<code>pop_back</code>	removes the last element (public member function of <code>std::vector&lt;T,Allocator&gt;</code> )
<code>resize</code>	changes the number of elements stored (public member function of <code>std::vector&lt;T,Allocator&gt;</code> )
<code>swap</code>	swaps the contents (public member function of <code>std::vector&lt;T,Allocator&gt;</code> )

### vector<bool> specific modifiers

<code>flip</code>	flips all the bits (public member function)
<code>swap</code> [static]	swaps two <code>std::vector&lt;bool&gt;::references</code> (public static member function)

[https://en.cppreference.com/w/cpp/container/vector\\_bool](https://en.cppreference.com/w/cpp/container/vector_bool)



# Variable templates

## Basic syntax

Can be used as type traits

```
#include <type_traits>

template<typename>
constexpr bool isBool = false;

template<>
constexpr bool isBool<bool> = true;

static_assert(!isBool<int*>, "");
static_assert(!isBool<char>, "");
static_assert(isBool<bool>, "");
```

<https://godbolt.org/z/r7MGxdfj3>

# Variable templates

## Basic syntax

1. Can be used as type traits
2. Or as named parameters

```
void processParamAccordingToFeature(bool featureOn, int paramVal);

template<bool VAL>
constexpr bool featureFlagOn = VAL;

template<int VAL>
constexpr int importantParam = VAL;

int main(int, char**)
{
    processParamAccordingToFeature(featureFlagOn<false>, importantParam<32>);
    processParamAccordingToFeature(featureFlagOn<true>, importantParam<92>);
}
```

<https://godbolt.org/z/6Ev8zE7M5>

# Function templates

## Basic syntax

- Type parameter (can be default) —
  - It can be deduced at compile time from here —
- ```
template<typename S>
auto get_listening_socket(S& x)
{
    return x.listen();
}
```
- 

Note the types are unrelated

```
struct UdpSocket { UdpSocket listen() { return {}; } };
struct TcpSocket { TcpSocket listen() { return {}; } };
int main(int, char**)
{
    UdpSocket u;
    TcpSocket t;
    auto ul = get_listening_socket(u);
    auto tl = get_listening_socket(t);
}
```

<https://godbolt.org/z/orbern9Gs>

# Function templates

## Basic syntax

Non template type parameter

Template type parameter pack

```
template<int X, typename...Args>
auto allEqualTo (Args&&... args)
{
    return ((X == args)&&...); compile time
}

int main(int, char**)
{
    std::cout << allEqual<3>(1,3,5,8) << '\n';
    std::cout << allEqual<22>(22,22,22,22) << '\n';
}
```

Types in the pack deduced at  
Fold expression: parameter pack  
being fold over an expression

<https://godbolt.org/z/dbcE8eTPf>

```
bool allEqual<3, int, int, int, int>(int&&, int&&, int&&, int&&):
    pushq %rbp
    movq %rsp, %rbp
    movq %rdi, -8(%rbp)
    movq %rsi, -16(%rbp)
    movq %rdx, -24(%rbp)
    movq %rcx, -32(%rbp)
    movq -8(%rbp), %rax
    movl (%rax), %eax
    cmpl $3, %eax
    jne .L4
    movq -16(%rbp), %rax
    movl (%rax), %eax
    cmpl $3, %eax
    jne .L4
    movq -24(%rbp), %rax
    movl (%rax), %eax
    cmpl $3, %eax
    jne .L4
    movq -32(%rbp), %rax
    movl (%rax), %eax
    cmpl $3, %eax
    jne .L4
    movl $1, %eax
    jmp .L5
.L4:
    movl $0, %eax
.L5:
    popq %rbp
    ret
bool allEqual<22, int, int, int>(int&&, int&&, int&&):
```

# Function templates

## Basic syntax

```
template<typename T>
void clearVec(std::vector<T>& x)  ← Type of x is not considered deduced
{
    x.clear();
}
```

```
template<typename T, typename U>
T expandPrecision(U x) ← U is deduced
{
    static_assert(sizeof(T) >= sizeof(U));
    return static_cast<T>(x);
}
```

```
int main(int, char**)
{
    std::vector<int> vi{1,2,3};
    short s = 32;
    long l = expandPrecision<long>(s);
}
```

<https://godbolt.org/z/rPc9Y8hMP>

# Function templates

## Basic syntax

```
template<typename T>
void clearVec(std::vector<T>& x)
{
    x.clear();
}
```

```
template<typename T, typename U>
T expandPrecision(U x)
{
    static_assert(sizeof(T) >= sizeof(U));
    return static_cast<T>(x);
}
```

```
int main(int, char**)
{
    std::vector<int> vi{1,2,3};
    short s = 32;
    long l = expandPrecision<long, const int&>(s);
}
```

Template type parameter can be specified manually to avoid deduction – regular caveats related to conversion apply –

**GENERALLY DISCOURAGED  
WHEN DEDUCTION IS AVAILABLE**

<https://godbolt.org/z/qvEqqrqzK>

# Function templates

Are they really functions?

```
template<typename S>
auto get_listening_socket(S& x)
{
    return x.listen();
}
```

```
struct UdpSocket { UdpSocket listen() { return {}; } };
struct TcpSocket { TcpSocket listen() { return {}; } };
int main(int, char**)
{
    UdpSocket u;
    TcpSocket t;
    //auto ul = get_listening_socket(u);
    //auto tl = get_listening_socket(t);
}
```

```
1  ✓ main:
2      pushq %rbp
3      movq %rsp, %rbp
4      movl %edi, -20(%rbp)
5      movq %rsi, -32(%rbp)
6      movl $0, %eax
7      popq %rbp
8      ret
```

<https://godbolt.org/z/TEGcP4s7W>

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```
template<typename S>
auto get_listening_socket(S& x)
{
    return x.listen();
}
```

```
struct UdpSocket { UdpSocket listen() { return {}; } }
struct TcpSocket { TcpSocket listen() { return {}; } }
//explicit instantiations:
template auto get_listening_socket(UdpSocket&);
template auto get_listening_socket(TcpSocket&);
```

```
int main(int, char**)
{
    UdpSocket u;
    TcpSocket t;
}
```

<https://godbolt.org/z/PxcqEo1TY>

```
15 auto get_listening_socket<UdpSocket>(UdpSocket&):
16     pushq %rbp
17     movq %rsp, %rbp
18     subq $16, %rsp
19     movq %rdi, -8(%rbp)
20     movq -8(%rbp), %rax
21     movq %rax, %rdi
22     call UdpSocket::listen()
23     nop
24     leave
25     ret
26 auto get_listening_socket<TcpSocket>(TcpSocket&):
27     pushq %rbp
28     movq %rsp, %rbp
29     subq $16, %rsp
30     movq %rdi, -8(%rbp)
31     movq -8(%rbp), %rax
32     movq %rax, %rdi
33     call TcpSocket::listen()
34     nop
35     leave
36     ret
```



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int main(int, char**)
{
    UdpSocket u;
    TcpSocket t;
    auto ul = get_listening_socket(u);
    auto tl = get_listening_socket(t);
}
```

<https://godbolt.org/z/zY3a3E6dv>

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35     leave
36     ret
37 ▾ main:
38     pushq %rbp
39     movq %rsp, %rbp
40     subq $32, %rsp
41     movl %edi, -20(%rbp)
42     movq %rsi, -32(%rbp)
43     leaq -1(%rbp), %rax
44     movq %rax, %rdi
45     call auto_get_listening_socket<UdpSocket>(UdpSocket&)
46     leaq -2(%rbp), %rax
47     movq %rax, %rdi
48     call auto_get_listening_socket<TcpSocket>(TcpSocket&)
49     movl $0, %eax
50     leave
51     ret
```

# Function templates

## What about class template member functions?

```
template<typename T>
struct Temperature
{
    T value;
    explicit Temperature(T x) : value(x) {}
    Temperature lowerBy(T x) const { return Temperature{value-x}; }
    Temperature higherBy(T x) const { return value+x; }
};
// template struct Temperature<int>;

int main(int, char**)
{
    Temperature<int> t{3};
    t.lowerBy(8);
}
```

<https://godbolt.org/z/s76oe7sEW>

```
1  main:
2      pushq %rbp
3      movq %rsp, %rbp
4      subq $32, %rsp
5      movl %edi, -20(%rbp)
6      movq %rsi, -32(%rbp)
7      leaq -4(%rbp), %rax
8      movl $3, %esi
9      movq %rax, %rdi
10     call Temperature<int>::Temperature(int) [complete object constructor]
11     leaq -4(%rbp), %rax
12     movl $8, %esi
13     movq %rax, %rdi
14     call Temperature<int>::lowerBy(int) const
15     movl $0, %eax
16     leave
17     ret
18  Temperature<int>::Temperature(int) [base object constructor]:
19     pushq %rbp
20     movq %rsp, %rbp
21     movq %rdi, -8(%rbp)
22     movl %esi, -12(%rbp)
23     movq -8(%rbp), %rax
24     movl -12(%rbp), %edx
25     movl %edx, (%rax)
26     nop
27     popq %rbp
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30     pushq %rbp
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32     subq $32, %rsp
33     movq %rdi, -24(%rbp)
34     movl %esi, -28(%rbp)
35     movq -24(%rbp), %rax
36     movl (%rax), %eax
37     subl -28(%rbp), %eax
38     movl %eax, %edx
39     leaq -4(%rbp), %rax
40     movl %edx, %esi
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44     leave
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};
template struct Temperature<int>;

int main(int, char**)
{
    Temperature<int> t{3};
    t.lowerBy(8);
}
```

Can you spot the problem?

<https://godbolt.org/z/TbnP3Y63s>

```
1  main:
2      pushq %rbp
3      movq %rsp, %rbp
4      subq $32, %rsp
5      movl %edi, -20(%rbp)
6      movq %rsi, -32(%rbp)
7      leaq -4(%rbp), %rax
8      movl $3, %esi
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# Function templates

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template<typename T>
struct Temperature
{
```

```
    T value;
```

Those are not function templates!

```
    explicit Temperature(T x) : value(x) {}
```

```
    Temperature lowerBy(T x) const { return Temperature{value-x};}
```

```
    Temperature higherBy(T x) const { return value+x;}
```

```
};
template struct Temperature<int>;
```

```
int main(int, char**)
{
    Temperature<int> t{3};
    t.lowerBy(8);
}
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<https://godbolt.org/z/TbnP3Y63s>

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template struct Temperature<int>;
int main(int, char**)
{
    Temperature<int> t{3};
    t.lowerBy(8);
}
```

<https://godbolt.org/z/dq1avf4vz>

```
12 Temperature<int>::lowerBy(int) const:
13     pushq %rbp
14     movq %rsp, %rbp
15     subq $32, %rsp
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27     leave
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29 Temperature<int>::higherBy(int) const:
30     pushq %rbp
31     movq %rsp, %rbp
32     subq $32, %rsp
33     movq %rdi, -24(%rbp)
34     movl %esi, -28(%rbp)
35     movq -24(%rbp), %rax
36     movl (%rax), %edx
37     movl -28(%rbp), %eax
38     addl %eax, %edx
39     leaq -4(%rbp), %rax
40     movl %edx, %esi
41     movq %rax, %rdi
42     call Temperature<int>::Temperature(int) [complete object constructor]
43     movl -4(%rbp), %eax
44     leave
45     ret
```

# Function templates

## What about class template member functions?

```
template<typename T>
struct Temperature
{
    T value;
    explicit Temperature(T x) : value(x) {}
    template<std::same_as<T> U>
    Temperature lowerBy(U x) const { return Temperature{value-x};}

    template<std::same_as<T> U>
    Temperature higherBy(U x) const { return Temperature{value+x};}
};
```

```
template struct Temperature<int>;
int main(int, char**)
{
    Temperature<int> t{3};
    t.lowerBy(8);
}
```

<https://godbolt.org/z/hrvs78T57>

```
12 Temperature<int>::lowerBy(int) const:
13     pushq %rbp
14     movq %rsp, %rbp
15     subq $32, %rsp
16     movq %rdi, -24(%rbp)
17     movl %esi, -28(%rbp)
18     movq -24(%rbp), %rax
19     movl (%rax), %eax
20     subl -28(%rbp), %eax
21     movl %eax, %edx
22     leaq -4(%rbp), %rax
23     movl %edx, %esi
24     movq %rax, %rdi
25     call Temperature<int>::Temperature(int) [complete object constructor]
26     movl -4(%rbp), %eax
27     leave
28     ret
29 Temperature<int>::higherBy(int) const:
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35     movq -24(%rbp), %rax
36     movl (%rax), %edx
37     movl -28(%rbp), %eax
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44     leave
45     ret
```

# Function templates

## Compared to overloads

```
struct UdpSocket { UdpSocket listen() { return {}; } };  
struct TcpSocket { TcpSocket listen() { return {}; } };
```

```
auto get_listening_socket(UdpSocket& x)  
{  
    return x.listen();  
}
```

```
auto get_listening_socket(TcpSocket& x)  
{  
    return x.listen();  
}
```

```
int main(int, char**)  
{  
    UdpSocket u;  
    TcpSocket t;  
    // auto ul = get_listening_socket(u);  
    // auto tl = get_listening_socket(t);  
}
```

<https://godbolt.org/z/ds1M4xvqv>

```
9      pushq %rbp  
10     movq %rsp, %rbp  
11     movq %rdi, -8(%rbp)  
12     nop  
13     popq %rbp  
14     ret  
15     get_listening_socket(UdpSocket&):  
16     pushq %rbp  
17     movq %rsp, %rbp  
18     subq $16, %rsp  
19     movq %rdi, -8(%rbp)  
20     movq -8(%rbp), %rax  
21     movq %rax, %rdi  
22     call UdpSocket::listen()  
23     nop  
24     leave  
25     ret  
26     get_listening_socket(TcpSocket&):  
27     pushq %rbp  
28     movq %rsp, %rbp  
29     subq $16, %rsp  
30     movq %rdi, -8(%rbp)  
31     movq -8(%rbp), %rax  
32     movq %rax, %rdi  
33     call TcpSocket::listen()  
34     nop  
35     leave  
36     ret  
37     main:  
38     pushq %rbp  
39     movq %rsp, %rbp  
40     movl %edi, -20(%rbp)  
41     movq %rsi, -32(%rbp)  
42     movl $0, %eax  
43     popq %rbp  
44     ret
```

# Function templates

## Compared to full specializations

```
#include <cstdint>

struct UdpSocket {
    void send(char*, std::uint32_t);
};
struct TcpSocket {
    void tryToConnectAndSend(char*, std::uint32_t);
};
template<typename SOCKET>
void sendData(SOCKET& s, char* buf, std::uint32_t addr)
{
    return s.send(buf, addr);
}
template<>
//inline
void sendData<TcpSocket>(TcpSocket& s, char* buf, std::uint32_t addr)
{
    return s.tryToConnectAndSend(buf, addr);
}

int main(int, char**)
{
    UdpSocket u;
    TcpSocket t;
    // sendData(u, nullptr, 0);
    // sendData(t, nullptr, 0);
}
```

Uncomment and see what happens

Notice linker error!

```
1 void sendData<TcpSocket>(TcpSocket&, char*, unsigned int):
2     pushq %rbp
3     movq %rsp, %rbp
4     subq $32, %rsp
5     movq %rdi, -8(%rbp)
6     movq %rsi, -16(%rbp)
7     movl %edx, -20(%rbp)
8     movl -20(%rbp), %edx
9     movq -16(%rbp), %rcx
10    movq -8(%rbp), %rax
11    movq %rcx, %rsi
12    movq %rax, %rdi
13    call TcpSocket::tryToConnectAndSend(char*, unsigned int)
14    nop
15    leave
16    ret
17 main:
18    pushq %rbp
19    movq %rsp, %rbp
20    movl %edi, -20(%rbp)
21    movq %rsi, -32(%rbp)
22    movl $0, %eax
23    popq %rbp
24    ret
```

<https://godbolt.org/z/ccd3KqMWW>



# Function templates

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{
    return s.send(buf, addr);
}
template<>
//inline ← Notice linker error!
void sendData<TcpSocket>(TcpSocket& s, char* buf, std::uint32_t addr)
{
    return s.tryToConnectAndSend(buf, addr);
}
int main(int, char**)
{
    UdpSocket u;
    TcpSocket t;
    // sendData(u, nullptr, 0);
    // sendData(t, nullptr, 0);
}
```

NO PARTIAL SPECIALIZATIONS FOR FUNCTION TEMPLATES

Uncomment and see what happens

Notice linker error!

<https://godbolt.org/z/ccd3KqMWW>

# Function templates

Argument deduction, conversions, constraining argument types

```
void doStuff(bool);  
  
int main(int, char**)  
{  
    doStuff(true);  
    int x = 3;  
    doStuff(&x); //OOPS  
}
```

<https://godbolt.org/z/4h9T3Y1q8>

# Function templates

Argument deduction, conversions, constraining argument types

```
template<typename T>
void doStuff(T)
{
    //whatever here
}

int main(int, char**)
{
    doStuff(true); //OK
    int x = 3;
    doStuff(&x); //better, separate function but still compiles
}
```

```
16 void doStuff<bool>(bool):
17     pushq %rbp
18     movq %rsp, %rbp
19     movl %edi, %eax
20     movb %al, -4(%rbp)
21     nop
22     popq %rbp
23     ret
24 void doStuff<int*>(int*):
25     pushq %rbp
26     movq %rsp, %rbp
27     movq %rdi, -8(%rbp)
28     nop
29     popq %rbp
30     ret
```

<https://godbolt.org/z/94cKcGoxK>

# Function templates

Argument deduction, conversions, constraining argument types

```
template<typename T>
requires std::same_as<T, bool> // C++20
void doStuff(T)
{
}

int main(int, char**)
{
    doStuff(true); //OK
    int x = 3;
    doStuff(&x); //OK, compile error!
}
```

<https://godbolt.org/z/xEsnfx8T8>

# Function templates

## Argument deduction, conversions, constraining argument types

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template<typename T>
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void doStuff(T)
{
}

int main(int, char**)
{
    doStuff(true); //OK
    int x = 3;
    doStuff(&x); //OK, compile error!
}
```

```
template<typename T>
void doStuff(T) = delete;
void doStuff(bool);
// pre C++20, not entirely equivalent

int main(int, char**)
{
    doStuff(true); //OK
    int x = 3;
    doStuff(&x); //OK, compile error!
}
```

<https://godbolt.org/z/xEsnfx8T8>

<https://godbolt.org/z/6n4zjKnTj>

# Function templates

## Argument deduction, conversions, constraining argument types

```
#include<concepts>
template<typename T>
requires std::same_as<T, bool> // C++20
void doStuff(T)
{
}

int main(int, char**)
{
    doStuff(true); //OK
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<https://godbolt.org/z/6n4zjKnTj>

# Function templates

## Argument deduction, conversions, constraining argument types

```
#include <type_traits>
template<typename T>
void doStuff(T)
{
    static_assert(std::is_same_v<T, bool>, "!");
}

int main(int, char**)
{
    doStuff(true); //OK
    int x = 3;
    doStuff(&x); //OK, compile error
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}
```

<https://godbolt.org/z/PMWvbz7fP>

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    doStuff(&x); //OK, compile error
                //but a bit late
}
```

```
#include <type_traits>
template<typename T, std::enable_if_t<std::is_same_v<T, bool>>*=nullptr>
void doStuff(T)
{
}

int main(int, char**)
{
    doStuff(true); //OK
    int x = 3;
    doStuff(&x); //OK, compile error
}
```

<https://godbolt.org/z/PMWvbz7fP>

<https://godbolt.org/z/Es1a7Maq9>



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}
```

```
#include <type_traits>
template<typename T, std::enable_if_t<std::is_same_v<T, bool>>* = nullptr>
void doStuff(T)
{
}

int main(int, char**)
{
    doStuff(true); //OK
    int x = 3;
    doStuff(&x); //OK, compile error
}
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This works, but is ugly  
Yes, SFINAE can be ugly ☹

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SFINAE? What is that?

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# Function templates

## SFINAE – Substitution Failure Is Not An Error

Consider the previous example

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#include <type_traits>
template<typename T, std::enable_if_t<std::is_same_v<T, bool>>* = nullptr>
void doStuff(T)
{

}

int main(int, char**)
{
    doStuff(true); //OK
    int x = 3;
    doStuff(&x); //how to make it work for pointers?
}
```

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{
}

template<typename T>
void doStuff(T) //nope, call is ambiguous
{
}

int main(int, char**)
{
    doStuff(true); //OK
    int x = 3;
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}
```

<https://godbolt.org/z/93fxfMzGf>

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<https://godbolt.org/z/6qvbe5KqE>

# Function templates

## SFINAE – Substitution Failure Is Not An Error

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#include <type_traits>
template<typename T, std::enable_if_t<std::is_same_v<T, bool>>* = nullptr>
void doStuff(T)
{
}

template<typename T>
auto doStuff(T) -> std::enable_if_t<std::is_pointer_v<T>>
{
}

int main(int, char**)
{
    doStuff(true); //OK
    int x = 3;
    doStuff(&x); //now it works
}
```

<https://godbolt.org/z/cG948qoj3>



# Function templates

## SFINAE – Substitution Failure Is Not An Error

Now make it contemporary

```
#include <concepts>
#include <type_traits>
template<std::same_as<bool> T>
//requires std::same_as<bool, T>
//requires std::is_same_v<bool, T> && std::is_same_v<T, bool>
void doStuff(T)
{
}

template<typename T>
requires std::is_pointer_v<T>
void doStuff(T)
{
}

int main(int, char**)
{
    doStuff(true); //OK
    int x = 3;
    doStuff(&x); //now it works
}
```

<https://godbolt.org/z/Kd1oo9q3G>

# Function templates

## SFINAE – Substitution Failure Is Not An Error

Or using some other notation

```
#include <concepts>
#include <type_traits>

template<typename T>
constexpr bool dependent_false = false; //variable template.
//To be explained soon

void doStuff(auto x) //notice lack of template keyword!
//This is still function template!
{
    if constexpr(std::same_as<bool, decltype(x)>) {
    }
    else if constexpr(std::is_pointer_v<decltype(x)>) {

    }
    else { static_assert(dependent_false<decltype(x)>, "!"); }
}

int main(int, char**)
{
    doStuff(true); //OK
    int x = 3;
    doStuff(&x); //now it works
}
```

<https://godbolt.org/z/frTrEv4W3>

# Function templates

## SFINAE – Substitution Failure Is Not An Error

SFINAE is also applicable for class templates

```
template<typename T>
constexpr bool dependentFalse = false;

template<typename T>
struct FixMe
{
    void IWontCompile()
    { static_assert(dependentFalse<T>, ""); }
};

template struct FixMe<int>;
```

Can you spot the problem here?

<https://godbolt.org/z/11YsPb3oY>

# Function templates

## SFINAE – Substitution Failure Is Not An Error

SFINAE is also applicable for class templates

```
template<typename T>
constexpr bool dependentFalse = false;

template<typename T>
struct FixMe
{
    void IWontCompile() requires(false)
    { static_assert(dependentFalse<T>, ""); }
};
```

Can you spot the problem here?

This technically is not a function template

```
template struct FixMe<int>;
```

<https://godbolt.org/z/GcMv1jq7G>

<https://godbolt.org/z/aG71xWbef> (pre C++20, not exactly equivalent)

# Function templates

## SFINAE – Substitution Failure Is Not An Error

SFINAE is also applicable for class templates

```
template<typename T>
constexpr bool dependentFalse = false;

template<typename T>
struct FixMe
{
    template<typename U=T> requires false
    void IWontCompile()
    { static_assert(dependentFalse<U>, ""); }
};

template struct FixMe<int>;
```

Can you spot the problem here?

But this is a function template

<https://godbolt.org/z/3ddWr7o9j> another  
C++20 way  
<https://godbolt.org/z/aG71xWbef> (pre  
C++20)

# Function templates

## Perfect forwarding

Imagine the following example

```
#include <string>

class Person
{
public:
    explicit Person(const std::string& n) : name(n) {}
private:
    std::string name{};
};

int main(int, char**)
{
    Person mike(std::string("mike"));
    std::string j = "john";
    Person john(j);
}
```

What is wrong with it?

# Function templates

## Perfect forwarding

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What is wrong with it?

<https://godbolt.org/z/W3nj4EW1n>

# Function templates

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class Person
{
public:
    explicit Person(const std::string& n) : name(n) {}
private:
    std::string name{};
};

int main(int, char**)
{
    Person mike(std::string("mike")); ← This is wasteful
    std::string j = "john";
    Person john(j);
}
```

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# Function templates

## Perfect forwarding

Imagine the following example

```
#include <string>

class Person
{
public:
    explicit Person(const std::string& n) : name(n) {} ← Copy occurs here
private:
    std::string name{};
};

int main(int, char**)
{
    Person mike(std::string("mike")); ← This is wasteful
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```

Copy occurs here...

...of a temporary string

This is wasteful

What is wrong with it?

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# Function templates

## Perfect forwarding

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{
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private:
    std::string name{};
};

int main(int, char**)
{
    Person mike{std::string("mike")};
    std::string j = "john";
    Person john{j};
}
```

Copy occurs here...

...of a temporary string

This is wasteful

How to fix this?

<https://godbolt.org/z/W3nj4EW1n>

# Function templates

## Perfect forwarding

Imagine the following example

```
#include <string>

class Person
{
public:
    template<typename T>
    explicit Person(T&& n) : name(std::forward<T>(n)) {} ← Copy or move occurs here...
private:
    std::string name{};
};

int main(int, char**)
{
    Person mike(std::string("mike")); ← Move of a temporary string
    std::string j = "john";
    Person john{j};
}
```

Better now?

# Function templates

## Perfect forwarding

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```
#include <string>

class Person
{
public:
    template<typename T>
    explicit Person(T&& n) : name(std::forward<T>(n)) {} ← Copy or move occurs here...
private:
    std::string name{};
};

int main(int, char**)
{
    Person mike(std::string("mike")); ← Move of a temporary string
    std::string j = "john";
    Person john{j};
    Person john2{j}; ← Due to type deduction, template constructor
                       tries to become a copy constructor
}
```

Better now?

Not yet. This template tries to instantiate the copy constructor

<https://godbolt.org/z/9v1qajq9h>

# Function templates

## Perfect forwarding

Imagine the following example

```
#include <string>

class Person
{
public:
    template<typename T>
    explicit Person(T&& n)
    requires(std::same_as<std::string, std::decay_t<T>>) ← SFINAE again, substitution fails, default copy kicks in
        : name(std::forward<T>(n)) {}
private:
    std::string name{};
};

int main(int, char**)
{
    Person mike(std::string("mike"));
    std::string j = "john";
    Person john{j};
    Person john2{j};
}
```

<https://godbolt.org/z/nT7EoPqhr>

# Function templates

## Perfect forwarding

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```
#include <string>

class Person
{
public:
    template<typename T>
    explicit Person(T&& n)
        requires(std::same_as<std::string, std::decay_t<T>>) ← And whas is decay_t?
        : name(std::forward<T>(n)) {}
private:
    std::string name{};
};

int main(int, char**)
{
    Person mike(std::string("mike"));
    std::string j = "john";
    Person john{j};
    Person john2{j};
}
```

<https://godbolt.org/z/nT7EoPqhr>

# Function templates

## Perfect forwarding

### `std::decay`

Defined in header `<type_traits>`

```
template< class T >           (since C++11)
struct decay;
```

Performs the type conversions equivalent to the ones performed when passing [function arguments](#) by value. Formally:

- If T is "array of U" or reference to it, the member typedef type is U\*.
- Otherwise, if T is a function type F or reference to one, the member typedef type is `std::add_pointer<F>::type`.
- Otherwise, the member typedef type is `std::remove_cv<std::remove_reference<T>::type>::type`.

If the program adds specializations for `std::decay`, the behavior is undefined.

### Member types

| Name | Definition |
|------|------------|
|------|------------|

|                   |                                                        |
|-------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|
| <code>type</code> | the result of applying the decay type conversions to T |
|-------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|

### Helper types

```
template< class T >
using decay_t = typename decay<T>::type;    (since C++14)
```

<https://en.cppreference.com/w/cpp/types/decay>



# Function templates

## Perfect forwarding

Imagine the following example

```
#include <string>

class Person
{
public:
    template<typename T>
    explicit Person(T&& n)
        requires(std::same_as<std::string, std::decay_t<T>>)
        : name(std::forward<T>(n)) {}
private:
    std::string name{};
};

int main(int, char**)
{
    Person mike(std::string("mike"));
    std::string j = "john";
    Person john{j};
    Person john2{j};
}
```

← T is std::string

← T is std::string&

<https://godbolt.org/z/nT7EoPqhr>

# Function templates

## Perfect forwarding

Imagine the following example

```
#include <string>
```

```
class Person
```

```
{
```

```
public:
```

```
    template<typename T>
```

```
    explicit Person(T&& n)
```

```
    requires(std::same_as<std::string, std::decay_t<T>>)
```

```
    : name(std::forward<T>(n)) {}
```

```
private:
```

```
    std::string name{};
```

```
};
```

```
int main(int, char**)
```

```
{
```

```
    Person mike(std::string("mike"));
```

```
    std::string j = "john";
```

```
    Person john{j};
```

```
    Person john2{j};
```

```
}
```

(pseudocode)

T&&

std::string && -> std::string&& //rvalue reference

std::string& && -> std::string& //lvalue reference

← T is std::string

← T is std::string&

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# Function templates

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        : name(std::forward<T>(n)) {}
private:
    std::string name{};
};

int main(int, char**)
{
    Person mike(std::string("mike"));
    std::string j = "john";
    Person john{j};
    Person john2{std::move(j)};
}
```

(pseudocode)

T&&

std::string && -> std::string&& //rvalue reference

std::string& && -> std::string& //lvalue reference

Reference collapsing rules:

& & = &

& && = &

&& & = &

&& && = &&

← T is std::string

← T is std::string&

← T is std::string, value of j is consumed

<https://godbolt.org/z/nT7EoPqhr>

# Function templates

## Perfect forwarding

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class Person
{
public:
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        requires(std::same_as<std::string, std::decay_t<T>>)
        : name(std::forward<T>(n)) {}
private:
    std::string name{};
};

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<https://godbolt.org/z/nT7EoPqhr>

# Function templates

## Perfect forwarding

Simplified?

```
#include <string>

class Person
{
public:
    explicit Person(std::string n)
    : name(std::move(n)) {}
private:
    std::string name{};
};

int main(int, char**)
{
    Person mike(std::string("mike"));
    std::string j = "john";
    Person john{j};
    Person john2{std::move(j)};
}
```

No template  
Pass by value  
Value consumed

<https://godbolt.org/z/sqr698vc8>

# Function templates

## Perfect forwarding

Simplified?

```
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{
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};

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{
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}
```

No template

Pass by value

Value consumed

OK, temporary+move

OK, copy on call site

OK, move on call site

<https://godbolt.org/z/sqr698vc8>

# Function templates

## Perfect forwarding

Simplified?

```
#include <string>
```

```
class Person  
{  
public:
```

```
    explicit Person(std::string n)
```

```
    : name(std::move(n)) {}
```

```
private:  
    std::string name{};  
};
```

```
int main(int, char**)
```

```
{  
    Person mike(std::string("mike"));
```

```
    std::string j = "john";
```

```
    Person john{j};
```

```
    Person john2{std::move(j)};
```

```
}
```

+simpler

+no templates

+can be out-of-line (in cpp file)

+type conversions allowed

-exception guarantees (if applicable)

-potentially performance will differ

← No template

← Pass by value

← Value consumed

← OK, temporary+move

← OK, copy on call site

← OK, move on call site

<https://godbolt.org/z/sqr698vc8>

# Concepts and constraints

## Concept

1. Compile time Type to boolean mapping
2. Can be used to constrain template code



# Concepts and constraints

## Concepts

Expression

```
#include <concepts>

#include <array>
#include <vector>

template<typename T>
concept RandomAccessible = requires (T x, std::size_t adr)
{
    { x[adr] } -> std::same_as<typename T::reference>;
    { std::bool_constant<noexcept(x[adr])>{} } -> std::same_as<std::true_type>;
    { x.at(adr) } -> std::same_as<typename T::reference>;
};

struct SafeDynamicIntArray
{
    std::vector<int> contents{};
    int& operator[](std::size_t pos) { return contents.at(pos); }
    const int& operator[](std::size_t pos) const { return contents.at(pos); }
    int& at(std::size_t pos) { return contents.at(pos); }
    const int& at(std::size_t pos) const { return contents.at(pos); }

    using reference = int&;
};

static_assert(RandomAccessible<std::vector<char>>, "");
static_assert(RandomAccessible<std::array<int, 42>>, "");

static_assert(!RandomAccessible<SafeDynamicIntArray>, "");
```

Concept that the exception yields

<https://godbolt.org/z/Wvf8Y5839>

# Concepts and constraints

## Concepts

Expression →

```
#include <concepts>

#include <array>
#include <vector>

template<typename T>
concept RandomAccessible = requires (T x, std::size_t adr)
{
    { x[adr] } -> std::same_as<typename T::reference>;
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};

struct SafeDynamicIntArray
{
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    int& at(std::size_t pos) { return contents.at(pos); }
    const int& at(std::size_t pos) const { return contents.at(pos); }

    using reference = int&;
};

static_assert(RandomAccessible<std::vector<char>>, "");
static_assert(RandomAccessible<std::array<int, 42>>, "");

static_assert(!RandomAccessible<SafeDynamicIntArray>, "");
```

Dummy variables

Concept that the expression yields

<https://godbolt.org/z/Wvf8Y5839>

# Concepts and constraints

## Concepts

```
#include <concepts>
```

```
#include <array>
```

```
#include <vector>
```

```
template<typename T>  
concept RandomAccessible = requires (T x, std::size_t adr)  
{  
    { x[adr] } -> std::same_as<typename T::reference>;  
    { x.at(adr) } -> std::same_as<typename T::reference>;  
};
```

Note it is a boolean expression

```
template<typename T>  
concept NoexceptRandomAccessible = RandomAccessible<T> and requires(T x, std::size_t adr) {  
    { std::bool_constant<noexcept(x[adr])>{} } -> std::same_as<std::true_type>;  
};
```

```
struct SafeDynamicIntArray  
{  
    std::vector<int> contents{};  
    int& operator[](std::size_t pos) { return contents.at(pos);}  
    const int& operator[](std::size_t pos) const { return contents.at(pos);}  
    int& at(std::size_t pos) { return contents.at(pos);}  
    const int& at(std::size_t pos) const { return contents.at(pos);}  
  
    using reference = int&;  
};
```

```
static_assert(NoexceptRandomAccessible<std::vector<char>>, "");  
static_assert(NoexceptRandomAccessible<std::array<int, 42>>, "");
```

```
static_assert(RandomAccessible<SafeDynamicIntArray>, "");  
static_assert(!NoexceptRandomAccessible<SafeDynamicIntArray>, "");
```

<https://godbolt.org/z/hYq5Y6eY7>

# Concepts and constraints

## Constraints

```
//consider the concept from previous slide
static_assert(NoexceptRandomAccessible<std::array<int, 42>>, "");
```

```
template<typename T>
requires NoexceptRandomAccessible<T>
void f(const T&) { }
```

```
int main(int, char**)
{
    f(std::array<char, 5>{});
    //f(SafeDynamicIntArray{});
}
```

```
template<NoexceptRandomAccessible T>          void f(const NoexceptRandomAccessible auto&) { }
void f(const T&) { }
```

<https://godbolt.org/z/5Gda8vhEG>

# Advanced topics, caveats, pitfalls

## CRTP and compile-time polymorphism

```
template<typename T>
class Logger
{
public:
    void print(const std::string& x) const {
        static_cast<T*>(this)->print(x); }
private:
    Logger() = default;
    friend T;
};
```

# Advanced topics, caveats, pitfalls

## CRTP and compile-time polymorphism

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template<typename T>
class Logger
{
public:
    void print(const std::string& x) const {
        static_cast<T*>(this)->print(x); }
private:
    Logger() = default;
    friend T;
};

struct DebugLogger : Logger<DebugLogger>
{
    DebugLogger() = default;
    void print(const std::string& x) const
    { std::cout << "DEBUG " << x << '\n'; }
};
```

# Advanced topics, caveats, pitfalls

## CRTP and compile-time polymorphism

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private:
    Logger() = default;
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};

struct DebugLogger : Logger<DebugLogger>
{
    DebugLogger() = default;
    void print(const std::string& x) const
    { std::cout << "DEBUG " << x << '\n'; }
};

struct WarningLogger : Logger<WarningLogger>
{
    WarningLogger() = default;
    void print(const std::string& x) const
    { std::cout << "WARNING " << x << '\n'; }
};
```

Constructor and friend not strictly needed,  
but enforce the right template argument



<https://godbolt.org/z/M9rWcj97P>

<https://godbolt.org/z/a37xdr396>

# Advanced topics, caveats, pitfalls

Type traits might be lying

<https://godbolt.org/z/716s1zzqe>

```
struct Dog
{
    void bark();
};
struct Cat
{
    void meow();
};
template<typename T>
struct AnimalWrapper
{
    T* contents;
    explicit AnimalWrapper(T& t) : contents(&t){}
    void makeSound() { contents->meow(); }
};
template<typename T>
concept LoudAnimal = requires(T animal) {
    { animal.makeSound() };
};
```

Why does this build?

```
int main(int, char**)
{
    Dog d;
    AnimalWrapper<Dog> aw{d};
    static_assert(LoudAnimal<AnimalWrapper<Dog>>);
    // aw.makeSound();
}
```



# Advanced topics, caveats, pitfalls

## Type traits might be lying

```
struct Dog
{
    void bark();
};
```

```
struct Cat
{
    void meow();
};
```

```
template<typename T>
struct AnimalWrapper
{
    T* contents;
    explicit AnimalWrapper(T& t) : contents(&t){}

    void makeSound() { contents->meow(); }
};
```

```
int main(int, char**)
{
    Dog d;
    AnimalWrapper<Dog> aw{d};
    // aw.makeSound();
}
```

Function body fails to compile

But the signature is visible

# Advanced topics, caveats, pitfalls

## Type traits might be lying

```
struct Dog
{
    void bark();
};
```

```
struct Cat
{
    void meow();
};
```

<https://godbolt.org/z/r8W8fKqzq>

```
template<typename T>
struct AnimalWrapper
{
    T* contents;
    explicit AnimalWrapper(T& t) : contents(&t){}

    void makeSound() requires (requires {{contents->meow() }}) { contents->meow(); }
    void makeSound() requires (requires {{contents->bark() }}) { contents->bark(); }
};

int main(int, char**)
{
    Dog d;
    AnimalWrapper<Dog> aw{d};
    // aw.makeSound();
}
```

Inline concept definition

SFINAE

# Advanced topics, caveats, pitfalls

## Type traits might be lying

```
struct Dog
{
    void bark();
};

struct Cat
{
    void meow();
};

template<typename T>
constexpr bool dependentFalse = false;

template<typename T>
struct AnimalWrapper
{
    T* contents;
    explicit AnimalWrapper(T& t) : contents(&t){}

    void makeSound()
    {
        if constexpr (requires { {contents->bark()}; }) {
            contents->bark();
        } else if constexpr (requires { {contents->meow()}; }) {
            contents->meow();
        } else {
            static_assert(dependentFalse<T>, "should not reach here");
        }
    }
};
```

<https://godbolt.org/z/r8W8fKqzq>

# Advanced topics, caveats, pitfalls

## Fun with parameter packs

```
#include <tuple>
#include <iostream>

template<typename ...T1, typename ...T2>
void printTupleSizes(const std::tuple<T1...>&, const std::tuple<T2...>&)
{
    std::cout << sizeof...(T1) << ' ' << sizeof...(T2) << '\n';
}

int main(int, char**)
{
    std::tuple<int, char, double> t1{};
    std::tuple<float, int, int, int, int> t2{};
    printTupleSizes(t1, t2);
}
```

<https://godbolt.org/z/EhhMdqMjW>

# Advanced topics, caveats, pitfalls

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void printTupleSizes(const std::tuple<T1...>&, const std::tuple<T2...>&)
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    std::cout << sizeof...(T1) << ' ' << sizeof...(T2) << '\n';
}

int main(int, char**)
{
    std::tuple<int, char, double> t1{};
    std::tuple<float, int, int, int, int> t2{};
    printTupleSizes(t1, t2);
}
```

<https://godbolt.org/z/EhhMdqMjW>

# Advanced topics, caveats, pitfalls

## Fun with parameter packs

```
#include <tuple>
#include <iostream>
#include <utility>

template<typename TUPLE>
void printEvenIndices(const TUPLE& t)
{
    [<std::size_t... I>(const TUPLE& t, std::index_sequence<I...>)
    {
        ((I % 2 == 0
         ? std::cout << std::get<I>(t) << ' '
         : std::cout << ' '), ...);
    }(t, std::make_index_sequence<std::tuple_size_v<TUPLE>>{}));
}
```

```
int main(int, char**)
{
    std::tuple<int, int, int, int, int> t1{1, 2, 3, 4, 5};
    printEvenIndices(t1);
}
```

<https://godbolt.org/z/9KP9M74f3>

# Advanced topics, caveats, pitfalls

## Fun with parameter packs

```
template<auto> struct WrapVal{};
template<auto... Values> struct WrapSeq{};

template<auto...SA, auto...SB>
constexpr WrapSeq<SA..., SB...> operator+(WrapSeq<SA...>, WrapSeq<SB...>)
{
    return{};
}

template<auto Val> constexpr auto filterSingleEven(WrapVal<Val>)
{
    if constexpr(Val % 2 == 0) {
        return WrapSeq<Val>{};
    } else {
        return WrapSeq<>{};
    }
}

template<auto ...Vals> constexpr auto filterSeqEven(WrapSeq<Vals...>)
{
    return (filterSingleEven(WrapVal<Vals>{}) + ...);
}
```

```
template<std::size_t...I>
constexpr auto toCustomSeq(std::index_sequence<I...>)
{
    return WrapSeq<I...>{};
}

template<typename TUPLE>
auto printEvenIndices(const TUPLE& t)
{
    [<auto...IDX>(const TUPLE& t, WrapSeq<IDX...>) {
        ((std::cout << std::get<IDX>(t) << ' '), ...);
    }>(t, filterSeqEven(toCustomSeq(
std::make_index_sequence<std::tuple_size_v<TUPLE>>{})));
    std::cout << '\n';
}

int main(int, char**)
{
    std::tuple<int, int, int, int, int> t1{1, 2, 3, 4, 5};
    printEvenIndices(t1);
}
```

# Advanced topics, caveats, pitfalls

## How does auto work?

```
template<typename T>
void f1(T&& x) { }

void f1(auto&& x) { }

template<typename...Args>
void f1(Args...&& x) { }

void f1(auto...&& args) { }
```



# Advanced topics, caveats, pitfalls

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```
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void f1(T&& x) { }

void f1(auto&& x) { }

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```

OK, what about perfect forwarding?

# Advanced topics, caveats, pitfalls

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template<typename...Args>
void f1(Args...&& x) { }

void f1(auto...&& args) { }
```

OK, what about perfect forwarding?

```
void f1(auto&& x)
{
    inner(std::forward<decltype(x)>(x));
}

void f1(auto&& x)
{
    inner(std::forward<decltype(args)>(args)...);
}
```

# Advanced topics, caveats, pitfalls

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```

OK, what about perfect forwarding?

```
void f1(auto&& x)
{
    inner(std::forward<decltype(x)>(x));
}

void f1(auto&& x)
{
    inner(std::forward<decltype(args)>(args)...);
}
```

What? And what is decltype?

# Advanced topics, caveats, pitfalls

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void f1(Args...&& x) { }

void f1(auto...&& args) { }
```

OK, what about perfect forwarding?

```
void f1(auto&& x)
{
    inner(std::forward<decltype(x)>(x));
}

void f1(auto&& x)
{
    inner(std::forward<decltype(args)>(args)...);
}
```

What? And what is decltype?

```
void f1(auto&& x)
{
    inner(std::forward<decltype(x)>(x));
}
```

Replace auto with T. It can be deduced as T& or T (+ const/volatile)

decltype gets the type of expression/variable

This will need a small explanation

# Advanced topics, caveats, pitfalls

## Perfect forwarding explained

```
decltype(std::forward<int>) -> int&&  
decltype(std::foward<int&> -> int&  
decltype(std::foward<int&&> -> int&&
```

What if std::forward just added && to each type?

# Advanced topics, caveats, pitfalls

## Perfect forwarding explained

```
decltype(std::forward<int>) -> int&&  
decltype(std::forward<int&>) -> int&  
decltype(std::forward<int&&>) -> int&&
```

What if std::forward just added && to each type?

```
decltype(std::forward<int>) -> int && -> int&&  
decltype(std::forward<int&>) -> int& && -> int&  
decltype(std::forward<int&&>) -> int&& && -> int&&
```

# Advanced topics, caveats, pitfalls

## Perfect forwarding explained

```
decltype(std::forward<int>) -> int&&  
decltype(std::forward<int&>) -> int&  
decltype(std::forward<int&&>) -> int&&
```

What if `std::forward` just added `&&` to each type?

```
decltype(std::forward<int>) -> int && -> int&&  
decltype(std::forward<int&>) -> int& && -> int&  
decltype(std::forward<int&&>) -> int&& && -> int&&
```

Actually, it does!

# Advanced topics, caveats, pitfalls

## Dependent types and templates

```
template<typename T>
struct Something
{
    using SuppliedType = T;

    template<typename U>
    void func(U) { }

    template<typename U>
    void func2() { }
```

Dependent (on T parameter) type name

```
};

template<typename T>
void doSomething(T)
{
    Something<T> s;
    typename Something<T>::SuppliedType x = 42;
    s.func('a');
    s.template func2<char>();
}
```

Function call from function template,  
deduced arguments

```
int main(int, char**)
{
    doSomething(3);
}
```

Dependent (on T parameter) type name  
function call, with explicitly given template  
parameters



# Further learning material

## Recommended

1. Modern C++ Design: Generic Programming and Design Patterns, Alexandrescu A., Lafferty D.
2. C++ Template Metaprogramming: Concepts, Tools, and Techniques from Boost and Beyond, Abrahams D., Gurtovoy A.
3. Move semantics: The Complete Guide, Josuttis N.
4. The Nightmare of Initialization in C++, Josuttis N. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7DTIWPgX6zs>

# Questions?

NOKIA