

# C++ Advanced

- ✓ STL Algorithms – `begin ()`, `end ()`
- ✓ STL Containers – Sequential, Associative, Adapter
- ✓ Move Semantics – `std::move`
- ✓ Lambda Function – `[] () { }`
- ✓ C++ Exceptions – `try catch throw`

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## Modern C++

- Expressive
- Fully C++ - lambdas, templates, const etc.
- Readable
- Stack semantics – avoid manual memory management
- C++ and libraries – include what you use

```
std::string → #include <string>
std::shared_ptr → #include <memory>
std::vector → #include <vector>
```

### Smart pointer

- Stack based object
- Manages memory on heap
- Frees memory when it goes out of scope

**shared\_ptr** - Reference counted

**weak\_ptr** - “peek” at a shared\_ptr without bumping the reference count

**unique\_ptr** - Non-copyable ( use std::move)

### const

- A way to commit to compiler that the value won't change
- Declaration – int const zero = 0;
- Function parameter – int taxes ( int const total )
- Modifier on member function – int GetName() const;

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- Move semantics and rvalues
- auto
- Range-based for
- Lambdas
- Scoped enums (enum classes)
- Variadic templates
- Defaulted and deleted functions
- Tuple
- Smart pointers

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- Generic lambdas
- Capture expressions in lambdas
- Standard user defined literals

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- Structured bindings
- if initializers
- Class template argument deduction
- string\_view
- optional
- Parallel algorithms

## STL Algorithms

- Works on all STL collections
- uses iterators
- sorting searching algorithms
- InputIt -> input iterator

all\_of  
any\_of  
none\_of

for\_each  
for\_each\_n

count  
count\_if

copy  
copy\_if

### Fill vector with 0 to 4

```
for ( int i=0; i<5; i++)  
    v.push_back(i);
```

```
int i = 0;  
std::generate_n(std::back_inserter(v), 5 , [&] () { return i++; } ) ;
```

### Sum of elements in vector

```
int total = 0;  
for(int index = 0; index < 5; index++)  
    total += v[index];
```

```
int total = 0;  
for ( int elem : v )  
    total += elem;
```

```
int total = std::accumulate(begin(v), end(v), 0 );
```

### Count number of 3's

```
int count = 0;  
for (unsigned int i=0; i<v.size(); i++)  
    if( v[i] == 3 )  
        count++;
```

```
int count = 0;  
for ( auto it = begin(v); it!= end(v); it++)  
    if( *it == 3 )  
        count++;
```

```
int count = std::count(begin(v), end(v), 3);
```

### Remove the 3's

```
auto v2 = v;  
for( unsigned int index = 0; index < v2.size(); index++)  
    if(v2[index] == 3 )  
        v2.erase(v2.begin() + index );
```

```
auto v3 = v ;  
for (auto it = begin(v3); it != end(v3); it++)  
    if ( *it == 3 ) v3.erase(*it);
```

**// wrong – will fail. When we delete through an iterator, the iterator is invalidated**

```
auto v4 = v;  
auto endv4 = std::remove_if(begin(v4), end(v4), [] (int elem){ return (elem == 3); } ) ;  
v4.erase(endv4,end(v4));  
or  
v4.erase(std::remove_if(begin(v4),end(v4),[](int elem){return (elem==3);}),end(v4));
```

```
sort(begin(v4), end(v4)) // c++ 20 : sort(v4)  
  
bool allpositive = std::all_of(begin(v4),end(v4),[] (int elem){return elem >=0 ;});  
  
string s { "Hello I am a sentence"};  
  
auto letter = find ( begin(s), end(s), 'a'); // find first a  
  
auto caps = std::count_if(begin(s), end(s), [](char c){return (c!=' ') && (toupper ( c ) == c ) ;});
```

## STL Containers

### Vector

- Grows itself when new item added
- Can traverse with an iterator or random access with [ ]
- Cleans itself when goes out of scope.
- While Resizing, does copying of elements. Faster than normal copy.
- Uses move semantics.
- Getting to particular element is fast.
- Consecutive memory location.
- Iterator++ is next memory location calculation.
- Elements inside vector are kept on heap.

```
vector<int> v { 0 , 1, 2 };  
v.push_back(-2)  
int i = v[2];  
v[2] = 5;  
for (int i : v )  
    cout << i;
```

### Array - std::array

### List - Implements linked list

- Less copying. Insertion in middle does not need to move other items.
- More expensive on traversal. Iterator ++ is an indirection.
- Never assume list is faster. Test and decide

#### Associative Containers

- map
- multimap
- unordered\_map
- unordered\_multimap

- set
- multiset
- unordered\_set
- unordered\_multiset

#### Sequential Containers

vector	array
list	forward_list
deque	span

#### Container Adapters

- stack
- queue
- priority\_queue

### Common Member Functions:

- size
- capacity
- clear
- insert

#### begin() and end ()

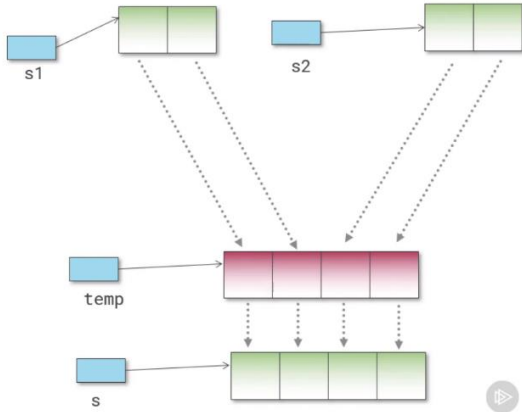
- For begin and end of container
- Can be used for C-style array also

## Move Semantics

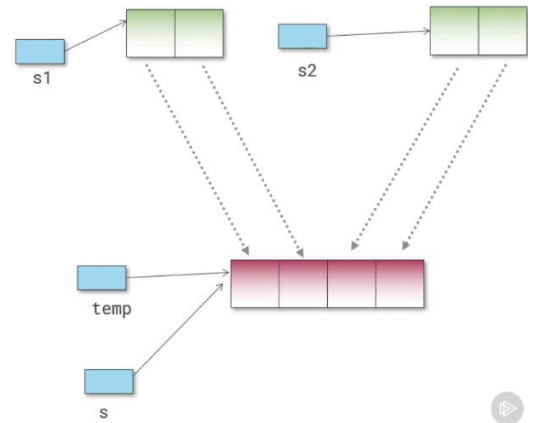
Some objects have a pointer to data somewhere else.

Copying this data to another object take time.

If we don't need the original object anymore, we can move it instead of copying.



string s = s1 + s2;



### Temporaries:

string s = s1 + s2 + s3 + s4;

Temporaries like (s3 + s4) have no purpose later. Moving is huge **speedup**.

### R-value Reference

There is a class, called : Resource. A function can take Resource parameter multiple ways:

1. Resource x – An instance of Resource
2. Resource \*px – a pointer to instance of Resource
3. Resource &rx – a reference to instance of Resource
4. Resource && rrx – **an rvalue reference** to disappearing instance

#### Move Assignment Operator

```
Resource& operator= (Resource&& r);  
  
Resource& Resource::operator= (Resource&& r){  
    if( this != &r ){  
        name = std::move(r.name);  
        r.name.clear();  
    }  
    return *this  
}
```

x = 3

x = a + b

x is l-value.

a+b or 3 are r-value.

- ✓ l-value is some address, some memory location
- ✓ r-value is something temporary

#### Move Constructor

```
Resource ( Resource&& r)  
  
Resource::Resource(Resource&& r) :  
    name(std::move(r.name)){}  

```

### Rules

- **Pass by value** – If a temporary is passed to function, it might be moved, not copied.
- **Return by value** - The local variable return is about to go out of scope – compiler will move it.  
[ Return value optimization. Guaranteed copy Elision. ]
- **Is vector slow?**
  - When copying becomes moving, the heuristics change
- **Is it inefficient to build string from many little pieces?**
  - Not if you move the pieces as you go

- ✓ std::move is cast
- ✓ std::move does not move anything

**name = std::move (r.name);**

- ✓ It causes the compiler to choose the move constructor or move assignment operator. They might move something.



## Lambda

- Lambda is an expression – An expression that represents doing something.
- Lambda expression holds code.
- For generic Work. For functional style. For concurrency. For readability.
- Eliminates tiny function

Lambda is a way to pass code off to a function or a way to store some code in a variable and then use it again later.

### Tiny Functions

```
auto isOdd = [](int candidate){ return candidate % 2 != 0 ;};
```

```
bool is3Odd = isOdd(3);
```

```
bool is4Odd = isOdd(4);
```

```
vector nums {2,3,4,-1,1};
```

```
int odds = std::count_if ( begin(nums), end(nums), isOdd)
```

```
int odds = std::count_if ( begin(nums), end(nums), [](int candidate){ return candidate % 2 != 0 ;})
```

`[] () {}` // a valid lambda

- Capture clause `[]`
- Parameters `()`
- Body `{ }`

### How it is implemented

- Compiler generates class and instance of that class using what we put into `[] () { }`.
- It's a class. It has member functions and member variables. One member function is **overloaded function call operator ( )**
- Member variables are **const** by default.

Compiler generates  
an anonymous  
function object

Overrides (operator)

Parameters in the (),  
Return type after the  
->

Member variables

Controlled by capture  
clause, const by default

### The Capture

Empty `[]` – captures nothing, use only function parameters.

We can put some variables from calling scope into capture `[]`. Lambda will have access to those variables.

- `[x, y]` – capture x and y by value. Copies are made. Lambda can be used even when x and y have gone out of scope.
- `&x, &y` – capture x and y by reference. No copies, changes affect the originals. Dangling references may be an issue
- `[x = a+1, y = std::move(b)]` – Alias or move capture.
- `[=]` – Copy (by value) all whatever used in lambda.
- `[&]` – Copy (by reference) all whatever used in lambda.
- **Mutable** – Allows to change values captured by reference.

### How To Capture

Lambda not stored,  
capture by  
value/reference

Lambda stored,  
capture by value

Use the  
“everything”  
notation

```

int x = 3;
int y = 7;
string message = "elements between ";
message += std::to_string(x) + " and " ;
message += std::to_string(y) + " inclusive: ";
for_each(begin(nums),end(nums),
    [x,y,&message](int n){
        if (n >= x && x <= y)
            message += " " + std::to_string(n);
    }
);
cout << message << endl;

```

```

x = y = 0;
for_each(begin(nums),end(nums),
    [&,x](int element) mutable
    {
        x += element;
        y += element;
    }
);
cout << "x = " << x << endl;
cout << "y = " << y << endl;

```

```

message = "";
auto pResource = make_unique<Resource>(" ", "");

for_each(begin(nums), end(nums),
    [=,&message, p =std::move(pResource)](int n){
        if ( x<=n && n <= y)
            message += std::to_string(n) + p->GetName();
    }
);

```

**Note:** After moving unique\_pointer to lambda, **it becomes empty**. Should not be used afterwards.

### Return Type:

- Lambda can return value
- Only a return statement in the lambda
- Return type is inferred by compiler
- If compiler cannot infer, we should specify return type
- Example: `[] (int n) -> double { }`

**Parameters:** Generally imposed by the place we use it.

### Lambda Usability:

- Lambda can be used anywhere function objects (functors) used.
- Sometimes we can use a function pointer.
- Lambdas keep the code where it is used.



## Exceptions

Expected Errors – Test for it. Deal with it right there.

Unexpected errors -

- Code that finds it, cannot deal with it. E.g. business layer cannot give message to UI.
- Have function return an indication of trouble
  - Function already returns something?
  - Function cannot return a value? (e.g. constructor)
  - Developer forgets to check the return value?
  - Try, throw, catch

### Exceptions

- Transfer flow of execution
- Deal with trouble as close to the problem as possible
- Developer cannot forget to check return value
- Need to know about stack unwinding
- Wrap code (that may cause problem) in a try block – as small as possible
- Add one or more catch block to handle the exception
- More specific exception catch first, more generics to last
- Catch exceptions by reference – to retain type. `catch (Exception &e)`
- Else slicing will happen
- Good for catching derived exception
- There is no finally – clean up code is in destructors
- Destructor runs no matter how control leaves the block
- Can throw anything: string, int, object. e.g. : `throw "Exception";`

### std :: exception

- Exception description: `e.what()`
- marker classes

#### logic\_error

domain\_error, invalid\_argument,  
length\_error out\_of\_range

runtime\_error

```
throw invalid_argument("Number can not be zero");
```

### Unwinding the stack

- If exception is thrown in a try,
  - everything in local scope of try, goes out of scope.
  - Destructors run.
  - Control goes to catch block.
- If not in a try
  - everything local to the function, goes out of scope.
  - Control returns to where the function was called from
- Get all the way out of main(), the user gets a dialog

### Exception has a performance cost

- `noexcept` - Mark function noexcept if no chance of exception.
- Still it throws exception? → program terminates, no stack unwinding.

```
try {  
    // risky stuff  
}  
catch( out_of_range &oor){  
    // Handle  
}  
catch(exception &e){  
    // Handle  
}
```

```
vector<int> v;  
v.push_back(1);  
try{  
    int j = v.at(99);  
}  
catch(out_of_range &e){  
    cout << "Out of range" ;  
}  
catch(exception &e){  
    cout << e.what();  
}
```

### Exception and Moving

- If a move operation throws, the enclosing operation can not be rolled back.
- Some moving operation in std:: will only call noexcept functions  
`Move ctor, move op=, swap`
- If move operation are not noexcept, we get a copy instead.
- Mark these noexcept if you can