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<http://www.open-std.org/jtc1/sc22/wg21/docs/papers/2019/#mailing2019-08>

► [Reddit](#)

Arthur O'Dwyer

<https://quuxplusone.github.io/blog/2019/08/18/post-cologne-mailing/>

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<https://cppcast.com/vittorio-romeo-epochs/>

https://www.reddit.com/r/cpp/comments/cxbkae/cppcast_c_epochs/

Article: https://vittorioromeo.info/index/blog/fixing_cpp_with_epochs.html

Reddit: Is the C++ committee or any key influencers in the C++ community working on anything to tackle the advantages that Rust has over C++ (eg. Rust's borrow checking, compiler-checked concurrency safety and cargo package management)

<https://devblogs.microsoft.com/cppblog/vcpkg-2019-07-update/>

https://www.reddit.com/r/cpp/comments/cqta79/vcpkg_201907_update/

Hopefully you will not require specific versions of packages, as the workflow of vcpkg doesn't really support the (very common) scenario well.

{fmt} V6.0.0 released

<https://github.com/fmtlib/fmt/releases/tag/6.0.0>

https://www.reddit.com/r/cpp/comments/cvogofmt_60_released_with_format_string_compilation/

Cpp.Chat: <https://youtu.be/PlELO-H9ZZE>

CppCast: <https://cppcast.com/victor-zverovich/>

Boost 1.71 released

https://www.boost.org/users/history/version_1_71_0.html

- ▶ NEW: **Variant2**: A never-valueless, strong guarantee implementation of `std::variant`, from Peter Dimov.
- ▶ [Reddit](#)

Dropbox abandons C++, uses Swift, Kotlin, JavaScript and Electron instead

- ▶ Eyal Guthmann (Dropbox): The (not so) hidden cost of sharing code between iOS and Android

It's possible we could have done a better job at leveraging open source C++ libraries, but the open source culture in the C++ development community was (is still?) not as strong as it is in the mobile development community <...>

- ▶ Reddit

- ▶ HackerNews

It seems like the real issue was that Dropbox lost all of their senior C++ engineers.

- ▶ The Register: Dropbox would rather write code twice than try to make C++ work on both iOS and Android

- ▶ Reddit

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Previously

- ▶ Djinni
- ▶ CppCon 2014: Alex Allain & Andrew Twyman "Practical Cross-Platform Mobile C++ Development"
- ▶ CppCon 2017: Stephen Spann "Cross-Platform Apps with Dropbox's Djinni..."

OSes built using C++

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- ▶ TempleOS
- ▶ Haiku
- ▶ Google Fuchsia
- ▶ IncludeOS
- ▶ DistortOS (RTOS)
- ▶ Symbian OS (Dead)
- ▶ SerenityOS

Lambdas vs. Closures

Scott Meyers

► [Reddit](#)

Web Framework Benchmarks

<https://www.techempower.com/benchmarks/#section=test&runid=26a79c95-5eec-4572-8c94-dd710df659d7&hw=ph&test=update>

► Reddit

<https://github.com/an-tao/drogon>

Drogon: A C++14/17 based HTTP web application framework running on Linux/macOS/Unix

Barry Revzin

- ▶ What is unified function call syntax anyway?
 - ▶ Reddit
- ▶ UFCS Customization and Extension
 - ▶ Reddit
 - ▶ P1282R0 Ceci N'est Pas Une Pipe: Adding a workflow operator to C++

Unified function call

Bjarne Stroustrup

A bit of background for the unified call proposal

Based on real input from code and users, I reluctantly agreed that for compatibility reasons, $x.f(y)$ and $f(x,y)$ could not mean exactly the same. The only feasible way forward was to do a traditional lookup based on the syntax used, and then try the other syntax if the first one failed. Stability – backwards compatibility – is an important feature, overruling my desire for perfection.

P0131 Unified call syntax concerns

Approval tests (1/2)

Also known as **Golden Master Tests** or **Snapshot Testing** (locking down current behaviour)

- ▶ CppOnSea 2019 - Clare Macrae - Quickly testing legacy code
<https://youtu.be/dtm8V3TIB6k>
 - ▶ Slides <https://slideshare.net/ClareMacrae>
 - ▶ CppCast with Clare Macrae <https://cppcast.com/clare-macrae/>
 - ▶ r/cpp https://www.reddit.com/r/cpp/comments/ckzc11/cppcast_approval_tests_with_clare_macrae/
- ▶ Code <https://github.com/approvals/ApprovalTests.cpp> (Apache 2.0)
- ▶ Approval Tests Library - Capturing Human Intelligence [available for Java, C#, VB.Net, PHP, Ruby, Node.JS and Python] <https://approvaltests.com/> by Llevelyn Falco
 - ▶ Supports Catch, Catch 2, Google Test, Okra
- ▶ Mutation tests: sabotage the code
 - ▶ Mutate++ https://github.com/nlohmann/mutate_cpp

Books

- ▶ Modern C++ Programming with Test-Driven Development, by Jeff Langr [[Safari Books Online](#)]
- ▶ Your Code as a Crime Scene, by Adam Tornhill [[Safari Books Online](#)]
- ▶ Software Design X-Rays, by Adam Tornhill [[Safari Books Online](#)]

Tools

- ▶ OpenCoverage <https://github.com/OpenCppCoverage>
- ▶ BullseyeCoverage <https://www.bullseye.com>

Introducing the Rule of DesDeMovA (1/4)

Blog post by Peter Sommerlad

<https://blog.safecpp.com/2019/07/01/initial.html>

https://accu.org/content/conf2014/Howard_Hinnant_Accu_2014.pdf

Rule of Zero:

Code that you do not write cannot be wrong.

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Do you Remember: What Special Member Functions Do You Get?

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What you write	What you get					
	default constructor	destructor	copy constructor	copy assignment	move constructor	move assignment
nothing	defaulted	defaulted	defaulted	defaulted	defaulted	defaulted
any constructor	not declared	defaulted	defaulted	defaulted	defaulted	defaulted
default constructor	user declared	defaulted	defaulted	defaulted	defaulted	defaulted
destructor	defaulted	user declared	defaulted (!)	defaulted (!)	not declared	not declared
copy constructor	not declared	defaulted	user declared	defaulted (!)	not declared	not declared
copy assignment	defaulted	defaulted	defaulted (!)	user declared	not declared	not declared
move constructor	not declared	defaulted	deleted	deleted	user declared	not declared
move assignment	defaulted	defaulted	deleted	deleted	not declared	user declared

Howard Hinnant's Table: https://ericniebler.com/2014/05/14/Howard_Hinnant_Accu_2014.pdf

Note: Declaring the defaulted special members denoted with a (!) is a bug in the standard.

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Rule of DesDeMovA: T&& operator=(T&&) noexcept=delete;

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What you write	DesDeMovA		Rule of if			
	default constructor	Rule of if	Destructor defined	Deleted	Move Assignment	
nothing	defaulted					
any constructor	not declared					
default constructor	user declared					
destructor	defaulted	user declared	defaulted (!)	defaulted (!)	not declared	not declared
copy constructor	not declared	defaulted	user declared	defaulted (!)	not declared	not declared
copy assignment	defaulted	defaulted	defaulted (!)	user declared	not declared	not declared
move constructor	not declared	defaulted	deleted	deleted	user declared	not declared
move assignment	defaulted	user declared	deleted	deleted	not declared	=delete

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1. Rule of Zero
2. Rule of DesDeMovA (no copy, no move for SBRM/RAII and OO-Base classes)
3. Rule of Unique Resource Managers (move-only, no copy)
4. Rule of Five for Resource Managers with Value Semantics, or other really special cases



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A new SQLite C++ wrapper

<https://blog.trailofbits.com/2019/08/26/wrappers-delight/>

https://www.reddit.com/r/cpp/comments/cxxk4b/a_new_c_sqlite_wrapper/

The Reddit thread also includes a heated discussion on how to handle errors and if exceptions are a good thing (eyeroll).

strong_typedef - Create distinct types for distinct purposes

Article by Anthony Williams

https://www.justsoftwaresolutions.co.uk/cplusplus/strong_typedef.html

https://github.com/anthonywilliams/strong_typedef

```
1 using transaction_id =  
2     jss::strong_typedef<struct transaction_tag, std::string>;  
3  
4 bool is_a_foo(transaction_id id)  
5 {  
6     auto &s = id.underlying_value();  
7     return s.find("foo") != s.end();  
8 }
```

<https://www.cycfi.com/2019/07/photon-micro-gui/>

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C++ libraries for data visualization

- ▶ VTK <https://vtk.org/>
- ▶ ROOT <https://root.cern.ch/>
- ▶ matplotlib-cpp <https://github.com/lava/matplotlib-cpp>
 - ▶ matplotlib (Python) <https://matplotlib.org/>
- ▶ QCustomPlot (QT, GPL/commercial) <https://www.qcustomplot.com/>

<http://cppcast.com/2019/07/robert-maynard/>

► [Reddit](#)

CMake line by line - creating a header-only library

<http://dominikberner.ch/cmake-interface-lib/>

► [Reddit](#)

<https://github.com/bernedom/Sl>

Professional CMake: A Practical Guide, 4th ed., CMake 3.15

<https://crascit.com/professional-cmake/> \$30

This is a C++17 class library for using the Single Instruction Multiple Data (SIMD) instructions in modern microprocessors.

<https://www.agner.org/optimize/blog/read.php?i=1013>

<https://github.com/vectorclass/version2> (Apache 2.0)

Manual https://github.com/vectorclass/manual/blob/master/vcl_manual.pdf

- ▶ Implementation <https://github.com/kokkos/mdspan> (BSD 3-Clause)
 - ▶ Intro <https://github.com/kokkos/mdspan/wiki/A-Gentle-Introduction-to-mdspan>
 - ▶ r/cpp https://www.reddit.com/r/cpp/comments/cl127i/mdspan_productionquality_reference_implementation/
- ▶ Kokkos <https://github.com/kokkos/kokkos>
- ▶ Multi-dimensional strided array views in Magnum <https://blog.magnum.graphics/backstage/multidimensional-strided-array-views/>
- ▶ P0009R9 **mdspan**: A Non-Owning Multidimensional Array Reference <http://wg21.link/p0009r9>
- ▶ CppCast with Bryce Adelstein Lelbach <https://cppcast.com/bryce-lelbach-mdspan/>

<https://github.com/aras-p/ClangBuildAnalyzer>

https://www.reddit.com/r/cpp/comments/cjrrwm/machine_learning_with_cpp/

- ▶ PyTorch <https://pytorch.org/features> -- has a pure C++ front end
<https://pytorch.org/cppdocs/>
- ▶ TensorFlow for C++ https://www.tensorflow.org/api_docs/cc
- ▶ Shogun <https://www.shogun.ml/>

The sad history of Unicode printf-style format specifiers in Visual C++

<https://devblogs.microsoft.com/oldnewthing/20190830-00/?p=102823>

https://www.reddit.com/r/cpp/comments/cxi2xy/the_sad_history_of_unicode_printfstyle_format/



Tony Van Eerd @tvaneerd

```
try {  
    return vec.at(index);  
}  
catch (std::out_of_range const &) {  
    return -1;  
}
```

I just saw this in a code review and was going to claim it inefficient, but darn [@CompileExplore](#) proved me wrong again. (IIRAC*) All compilers turn it into an if check on the bounds.

*Read ASM

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Simon Brand @TartanLlama

Threw every C++ proposal title in history into a recurrent neural network and some sound surprisingly legit

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Introducing the Proposal for an Resumable memory related initialization from string_user enuming_values
Integer C++ Function (Revision 9)
Fixing The Konates of Capture
feature_lock_view-expressions
GENDA, Tiny Proposed Regrogish to Standard Library
Transparentic atomic operations (rev. 3)
Editor's Report for Deprecate Vector Technical Specification and Allocation
Containers for Parflock Points
std::function without a requirement and optimization for the C++2 Defects Record
Propose-a the Generic Memory Modification
Equalized Interaction for the Model Proposal for P0107R2
Introduce types in computing and string_that in C++
Contract Design Aliation for be Business
Gegropage initialization finesy policies in point memory scheduler be_rodng_robot and enumerations
Reflection of noexcept in C++20
std:::haluter_tokence_related (revision 1)
Meeting Not C++
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What madened: Propose-tight member of Painfreacted Default
Lookup Asiomation TS
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Twitter: Generic cup



John McFarlane @JSAMcFarlane

Accidentally accurate: apparently this mug is "generic".



Generic Cup<T> Two-Tone Coffe...

72771e.com

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Remy Goldschmidt @taktoa1

Electronics is like programming, except if you call a function with arguments of the wrong type, the function is deleted.

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