

C++ Club Meeting Notes

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Elements of Programming Authors' Edition (free ebook)

<http://componentsprogramming.com/elements-of-programming-authors-edition/>

https://www.reddit.com/r/cpp/comments/c6fjjg/elements_of_programming_authors_edition/

Alex Stepanov and Paul McJones have just released Elements of Programming Authors' Edition.

PDF download:

<http://elementsofprogramming.com/>

<https://leanpub.com/cpp17>

CLion 2019.2 EAP: MSVC Debugger, Unused Includes Check, and More

<https://blog.jetbrains.com/clion/2019/06/clion-2019-2-eap-msvc-debugger-unused-includes-check-and-more/>

- ▶ Experimental feature: LLDB-based Debugger for the Microsoft Visual C++ toolchain
- ▶ The 'unused includes' check is back
- ▶ Memory view: ASCII view
- ▶ Better performance for code completion

https://www.reddit.com/r/cpp/comments/c5vnhw/clion_20192_eap_brings_experimental_lldbbased/

A dbg(...) macro for C++

<https://github.com/sharkdp/dbg-macro>

https://www.reddit.com/r/cpp/comments/c2ysa7/a_dbg_macro_for_c/

<https://doc.rust-lang.org/std/macro.dbg.html>

- ▶ Stanford [CS106B - Programming Abstractions](#)
- ▶ MIT [6.006 Introduction to Algorithms](#), Fall 2011
- ▶ MIT [6.046J Design and Analysis of Algorithms](#), Spring 2015
- ▶ Alex Stepanov [Efficient Programming with Components](#)
- ▶ Udemy [Mastering Data Structures & Algorithms using C and C++](#)

Microsoft **mimalloc** is a compact general purpose allocator with excellent performance.

<https://github.com/microsoft/mimalloc>

https://www.reddit.com/r/programming/comments/c3ox2r/mimalloc_is_a_compact_general_purpose_allocator/

Mimalloc: Free List Sharding in Action

<https://github.com/SerenityOS/serenity> (BSD-2-Clause)

https://www.reddit.com/r/programming/comments/c13vph/serenityos_a_marriage_between_the_aesthetic_of/

Serenity OS Patterns: The Badge

(aka The Client-Attorney Idiom)

<https://awesomekling.github.io/Serenity-C++-patterns-The-Badge/>

- ▶ Reddit
- ▶ SO: Granular friend
- ▶ Dr. Dobbs - Friendship and the Attorney-Client Idiom

```
1 class Foo;  
2 class Bar { public: void special(int a, Key<Foo>); };  
3 Bar().special(1, {}); // at call site in Foo
```

Catching use-after-move bugs with Clang's consumed annotations

Article by Andreas Kling | [Reddit](#)

► Clang consumed annotation checking

```
1 class [[clang::consumable(unconsumed)]] CleverObject {  
2 public:  
3     CleverObject() {}  
4     CleverObject(CleverObject&& other) { other.invalidate(); }  
5     [[clang::callable_when(unconsumed)]]  
6     void do_something() { assert(m_valid); }  
7 private:  
8     [[clang::set_typestate(consumed)]]  
9     void invalidate() { m_valid = false; }  
10    bool m_valid { true };  
11 };
```

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- ▶ [Clang consumed annotation checking](#)
- ▶ [Clang-tidy bugprone-use-after-move](#)

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What are some uses of `decltype(auto)`?

<https://stackoverflow.com/questions/24109737/what-are-some-uses-of-decltype-auto>

- ▶ <https://stackoverflow.com/a/24109800/10154>
- ▶ <https://stackoverflow.com/a/24109944/10154>

<https://www.libtom.net/>

<https://github.com/libtom/libtomcrypt>

The Power of Hidden Friends in C++

Article by Anthony Williams

<https://www.justsoftwaresolutions.co.uk/cplusplus/hidden-friends.html>

```
1 namespace A{
2     class X{
3     public:
4         X(int i):data(i){}
5     private:
6         int data;
7         friend bool operator==(X const& lhs,X const& rhs){
8             return lhs.data==rhs.data;
9         }
10    };
11 }
```

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\(\)](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 }
```

Introducing the Rule of DesDeMovA

Blog post by Peter Sommerlad

<https://blog.safecpp.com>

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

Rule of Zero:

Code that you do not write cannot be wrong.

A closer look at **bake**: a tool that makes building C/C++ code effortless

<https://medium.com/@cortoproject/a-closer-look-at-bake-a-tool-that-makes-building-c-c-code-effortless-b2e0409fad8f>

- ▶ https://www.reddit.com/r/C_Programming/comments/a85f6w/meet_bake_a_new_build_system_package_manager_for/
- ▶ https://www.reddit.com/r/cpp/comments/a8d7ny/meet_bake_a_new_build_system_package_manager_for/
- ▶ <https://news.ycombinator.com/item?id=18787777>

<https://github.com/SanderMertens/bake> (GPLv3)

A cargo-like buildsystem and package manager for C/C++

Magic.

Use constexpr for faster, smaller, and safer code

<https://blog.trailofbits.com/2019/06/27/use-constexpr-for-faster-smaller-and-safer-code/>

https://www.reddit.com/r/cpp/comments/c646ng/use_constexpr_for_faster_smaller_and_safer_code/

<https://github.com/trailofbits/constexpr-everything> (Apache 2.0)

How to try the new coroutines TS?

https://www.reddit.com/r/cpp/comments/c6ag3l/how_to_try_the_new_coroutines_ts/

MSVC

```
1 | /await /std:c++latest
```

Clang

```
1 | -std=c++2a -stdlib=libc++ -fcoroutines-ts
```

- ▶ CppCoro - <https://github.com/lewissbaker/cppcoro>
- ▶ coroutine - <https://github.com/luncliff/coroutine>
- ▶ continuable - <https://github.com/Naaios/continuable>

Discussion: member variable naming

https://www.reddit.com/r/cpp/comments/c6rnel/discussion_member_variable_naming/

- ▶ m_foo
- ▶ foo_
- ▶ _foo

How do you get the benefits of Rust in C++?

https://www.reddit.com/r/cpp/comments/c6gtd4/how_do_you_get_the_benefits_of_rust_in_c/

How do C++ developers manage dependencies

https://www.reddit.com/r/cpp/comments/c6l3eg/how_do_c_developers_manage_dependencies/

Through much pain and anguish.

Just started learning C++ coming from Python

https://www.reddit.com/r/cpp/comments/c6vnb3/just_started_learning_c_coming_from_python_and/

The new GCC compiler with colour highlighting is a little bit better at pointing out errors. It's generally quite helpful for pure C/C++ until you make an error with the standard library and you get 200 lines about std:: whatever<random characters>

In C++ a trick I always use when the error message is massive is to just focus on the first error.

Scott Meyers' TD trick

https://www.reddit.com/r/cpp/comments/c6vnb3/just_started_learning_c_coming_from_python_and/eshq8vb?utm_source=share&utm_medium=web2x

```
1 | template <typename T> struct TD; // no definition
```

Now you write something like `TD<decltype(thing)>` and the error message tells you the type of thing (as deduced by `decltype`, of course, but in this case that's probably what you want).

Why `std::expected` is not in the standard yet? Is it bad practice?

https://www.reddit.com/r/cpp/comments/c75ipk/why_stdexpected_is_not_in_the_standard_yet_is_it/

- ▶ `std::expected` <https://github.com/TartanLlama/expected>
- ▶ Boost Outcome https://www.boost.org/doc/libs/1_70_0/libs/outcome/doc/html/index.html
- ▶ Outcome without Boost <https://ned14.github.io/outcome/>
- ▶ Leaf <https://github.com/zajo/leaf>

Go-like error handling in C++

<https://github.com/hellozee/errors>

https://www.reddit.com/r/cpp/comments/c7il5n/an_idiots_attempt_to_do_a_go_like_error_handling/

It looks like you invented something similar to `std::expected`.

Simplify Your Code With Rocket Science: C++20's Spaceship Operator

<https://devblogs.microsoft.com/cppblog/simplify-your-code-with-rocket-science-c20s-spaceship-operator/>

https://www.reddit.com/r/cpp/comments/c68457/simplify_your_code_with_rocket_science_c20s/

Better Ways to Test with **doctest** – the Fastest C++ Unit Testing Framework

<https://blog.jetbrains.com/rscpp/better-ways-testing-with-doctest/>

The Best Book to Read as a Developer

<https://dev.to/taillogs/the-best-book-to-read-as-a-developer-1h4m>

https://www.reddit.com/r/programming/comments/c8aaov/the_best_book_to_read_as_a_developer/

- ▶ Inside the Machine by Jon Stokes
<http://joe90.yolasite.com/resources/InsidetheMachine.pdf>
- ▶ The Pragmatic Programmer
- ▶ "Working Effectively with Legacy Code" by Michael Feathers
- ▶ Charles Petzold's Code
<https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/44882.Code>
- ▶ Tao of Programming
<http://canonical.org/~kragen/tao-of-programming.html>
- ▶ Game Engine Architecture <https://www.amazon.com/Game-Engine-Architecture-Jason-Gregory/dp/1568814135>

Splitting a string in C++

<https://medium.com/@bkey76/splitting-a-string-in-c-23e2547e6451>

- ▶ C++ String Toolkit Library (MIT)

<http://www.partow.net/programming/strtk/index.html>



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Did you know that Beethoven's parents were rich but he had to turn down the family fortune to write music?

He preferred composition over inheritance.

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