## C++ Club UK

Gleb Dolgich

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# Post-Cologne Mailing

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/

▶ Reddit

## CppCast: C++ Epochs with Vittorio Romeo

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

#### Rust vs. C++

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)

## Vcpkg: 2019.07 Update

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/cvogos/fmt\_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++

#### Reddit

- ► 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

## Unified function call

## 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

# Approval tests (2/2)

#### 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.

# Introducing the Rule of DesDeMovA (2/4)



# Introducing the Rule of DesDeMovA (3/4)



# Introducing the Rule of DesDeMovA (3/4)



## 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

```
using transaction_id =
    jss::strong_typedef<struct transaction_tag, std::string>;

bool is_a_foo(transaction_id id)
{
    auto &s = id.underlying_value();
    return s.find("foo") != s.end();
}
```

# Elements C++ GUI library

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

▶ Reddit

#### 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/

# CppCast - CMake and VTK with Robert Maynard

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/SI

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

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

## Agner Vector Class Library V2

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

## mdspan

- 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/

# Clang Build Analyzer

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

# Machine Learning with CPP

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/



## 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

11h • 11/07/2019 • 22:56

## Twitter: Neural Proposals



## 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 roding robot and enumerations
Reflection of noexcepts in C++20
std::::haluter tokence related (revision 1)
Meeting Not C++
Parallellative Intermate() and unlumbing cip
What madened: Propose-tight member of Painfreacted Default
Lookup Asiomation TS
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2d • 16/07/2019 • 20:07 •



## Twitter: Generic cup



John McFarlane @JSAMcFarlane Accidentally accurate: apparently this mug is "generic".



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

9h • 12/08/2019 • 14:56

#### Twitter: Electronics



# Remy Goldschmidt @taktoa1

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

1d • 19/08/2019 • 01:38 •

