C++ Club Meeting 100

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Prague Trip Reports

- Bryce Lelbach et al.
 - 252 attendees! 23 subgroups! 9 tracks!
 - C++20 is done!
 - C++23 roadmap! Standard library modules; library support for coroutines; executors; networking. Also: reflection; pattern matching; contracts.
- Herb Sutter
 - Reddit
- CppCast with Hana Dusíková
 - YouTube

C++20 is here

- Video
- Reddit

Excited about C++20

Reddit

Comment:

I work in a large codebase that was originally written in C and was compiled with C++03 just a few years ago. Since then, we have upgraded through C++11, C++14 and are now using C++17. So far, my experience is that every upgrade has been almost exclusively a positive experience, and each version has made it easier to write safe and expressive code.

Concepts pushed to Clang master



#clang #concepts #trunk.

```
O3:09:53 projects | llvm-project | clang | git push trunk master Enumerating objects: 48, done.
Counting objects: 100% (48/48), done.
Delta compression using up to 8 threads
Compressing objects: 100% (24/24), done.
Writing objects: 100% (25/25), 4.10 KiB | 2.05 MiB/s, done.
Total 25 (delta 23), reused 1 (delta 1)
remote: Resolving deltas: 100% (23/23), completed with 23 local objects:
To github.com:llvm/llvm-project.git
a156da5fb36..b933d37cd37 master -> master
```

2:31 AM · Jan 22, 2020 · Twitter for Android

Reddit

[C++ coroutines] Initial implementation pushed to GCC master

- Message
- Reddit

This is not enabled by default (even for -std=c++2a), it needs -fcoroutines

CppCast Ep. 233: Large Scale C++ with John Lakos

- Audio
- Video

There's a misunderstanding (of contracts in the C++ committee – GD) that's not easy to appreciate if you're not a real day-to-day software engineer. That is what derailed contracts. I will fix it. I promise you, I will fix it.

Follow-up: Aggregates

From CppReference: An aggregate is one of the following types:

- array type
- class type (typically, struct or union), that has
 - no private or protected direct (since C++17) non-static data members
 - no user-declared constructors (until C++11)
 - no user-provided constructors (explicitly defaulted or deleted constructors are allowed) (since C++11) (until C++17)
 - no user-provided, inherited, or explicit constructors (explicitly defaulted or deleted constructors are allowed) (since C++17) (until C++20)
 - no user-declared or inherited constructors (since C++20)
 - no virtual, private, or protected (since C++17) base classes
 - no virtual member functions
 - no default member initializers (since C++11) (until C++14)

Structured Exceptions (Win32) and C++

- Raymond Chen: How can I handle both structured exceptions and C++ exceptions potentially coming from the same source?
 - Reddit
- Raymond Chen: Can I throw a C++ exception from a structured exception?

"Making new friends" idiom by Dan Saks

Wikibooks

The goal is to simplify creation of friend functions for a class template.

```
template<typename T>
   class Foo {
 3
      T value;
   public:
 5
      Foo(const T& t) { value = t: }
      friend ostream& operator <<(ostream& os, const Foo<T>& b)
 6
 8
         return os << b.value;</pre>
 9
10 };
```

A new decade, a new tool: libman

- Colby Pike (vector-of-bool)
- Reddit
- GitHub
- Specification

libman is a new level of indirection between package management and build systems.

dds is Drop-Dead Simple build and package manager.

• CppCon 2019: Robert Schumacher "How to Herd 1,000 Libraries"

A hidden gem: inner_product (1/2)

Article

A hidden gem: inner_product (2/2)



Conor Hoekstra @code_report

This makes me so incredibly happy! I literally just yesterday googled, C++17 / C++20 zip to see if they had anything, because I wrote some code in both C++ and #Python and Python was so much more beautiful.

```
int solve(int h, vector<int> w, vector<int> l) {
   int p = 0;
   for (int i = 0; i < w.size(); ++i)
        p = max(p, w[i] - 1[i] / 4);
   return max(0, p - h);
}

def solve(h, w, l):
   p = max(a - b//4 for a, b in zip(w, l))
   return max(0, p - h) b
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```



Conor Hoekstra @code report

■ @cidb_ns & @TartanLlama

Also, I just discovered std::inner_product - a beautiful temporary solution to a lack of zip. #cpp #inner product

Unreal Engine Gameplay Framework Primer for C++

Article

Twitter: Pure virtual function syntax (1/2)



Shafik Yaghmour @shafikyaghmour Rereading "The Design and Evolution of C++"

= 0

syntax was used for pure virtual function in order to avoid having to add a new keyword such as pure or abstract because the feature was added close to the next release.

Twitter: Pure virtual function syntax (2/2)

13.2.3 Syntax

The curious =0 syntax was chosen over the obvious alternative of introducing a keyword pure or abstract because at the time I saw no chance of getting a new keyword accepted. Had I suggested pure, Release 2.0 would have shipped without abstract classes. Given a choice between a nicer syntax and abstract classes, I chose abstract classes. Rather than risking delay and incurring the certain fights over pure, I used the traditional C and C++ convention of using 0 to represent "not there." The =0 syntax fits with my view that a function body is the initializer for a function and also with the (simplistic, but usually adequate) view of the set of virtual functions being implemented as a vector of function pointers (§3.5.1). In fact, =0 is not best implemented by putting a 0 in the vtbl. My implementation places a pointer to a function called __pure_virtual_called in the vtbl; this function can then be defined to give a reasonable run-time error.

I chose a mechanism for specifying individual functions pure rather than a way of declaring a complete class abstract because the pure virtual function notion is more flexible. I value the ability to define a class in stages; that is, I find it useful to define some virtual functions and leave the definition of the rest to further derived classes.

Move, simply

Herb Sutter

The state of a after it has been moved from is the same as the state of a after any other non-const operation. Move is just another non-constfunction that might (or might not) change the value of the source object.

The C++ Lifetime Profile: How It Plans to Make C++ Code Safer

Daniel Martin

EnTT

A header-only, tiny and easy to use library for game programming and much more written in modern C++, mainly known for its innovative entity-component-system (ECS) model.

- GitHub (C++17, MIT)
- Reddit

Favourite "You can do that in C++?! Neat!" moments

Reddit

Quote

Oscar Godson:

One of the best programming skills you can have is knowing when to walk away for a while.

Rust is better than C++20, by David Sankel

David Sankel, "We Have C++20" bloopers:

(C++) is like Rust, but worse.

Operator:

What's better about Rust?

David Sankel:

I don't know, I haven't actually used Rust.