# C++ Club UK Meeting 123

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## Winter commitee meeting trip report (virtual)

- Herb Sutter
  - Reddit

#### WG21 mailing2021-02

- mailing2021-02
  - Reddit

#### Select papers

- P2317R0: C++ an Invisible Foundation of Everything
- SG22/P2305R0: Type inference for variable definitions and function returnsproposal for C23
- SG22/P2310R0: Revise spelling of keywords for C23
- SG22/P2303R0: Function literals and value closures for C23
- P2290R0: Delimited escape sequences
- P2322RO: ranges::fold
- P2321R0: ranges::zip
- P2320R0: The Syntax of Static Reflection

```
1 meta::info r1 = ^int; // reflects the type-id int
2 meta::info r2 = ^x; // reflects the id-expression x
3 meta::info r2 = ^f(x); // reflects the call f(x)
```

# F': A Flight-Proven, Multi-Platform, Open-Source Flight Software Framework

Fprime runs on Ingenuity Mars helicopter – Wikipedia

NASA on GitHub – 44% C++

When to use this to refer to a class member?

Reddit

# Top five C/C++ things/tips/tricks you wish you had known earlier and are now used very often

Reddit

Quite a few useful suggestions in the thread.

# Portability: should we stop using int?

Reddit

## Build2: Complete C++20 Modules Support with GCC

- Boris Kolpackov
  - Reddit

**build2** now provides conforming and scalable support for all the major C++20 Modules features when used with GCC. This includes named modules, module partitions (both interface and implementation), header unit importation, and include translation.

Clang support is coming soon.

#### Meson Build 0.57.0

- Release notes
  - Reddit
- The Absolute Beginner's Guide to Installing and Using Meson

#### Highlights

- Experimental support for C++ modules in Visual Studio
- meson test only rebuilds test dependencies
- Support added for LLVM's thinLTO

# Boosting Productivity and Performance with the NVIDIA CUDA 11.2 C++ Compiler

- NVIDIA
  - Reddit

All useful stuff for machine learning is written for cuda, so everyone is forced to buy Nvidia. Been waiting for opencl pytorch backend for years, but it just seems like nobody really has a reason to do it. #

## Anonymous types in C++

- Jan Bielak
  - Reddit

```
constexpr auto simplify(struct_(int numerator, denominator;) ratio) ->
    decltype(ratio)

int gcd = std::gcd(ratio.numerator, ratio.denominator);
return { ratio.numerator / gcd, ratio.denominator / gcd };
}
```

# Hot reloading C++ for rapid development with the help of **fungos/cr**

- Alex Dixon
  - fungos/cr
  - cr.h: A Simple C Hot Reload Header-only Library

## Library: Conceptual

A C++20 library adapting preexisting type\_traits into concepts, as well as improving upon the preexisting standard ones with better subsumption.

- GitHub
  - Reddit

# C++ Memory Safety

Reddit

## Library: VirtualMultiArray

Multi graphics card based C++ virtual array implementation that uses OpenCL just for the data transfers on PCle bridge.

- GitHub
- Wiki
- Reddit

### Library: Reference Views

**rviews** (reference views) is a header-only C++17 library that allows viewing an STL container via another STL container with Ivalue semantics. E.g. you could view a list as it would be a vector, or even as it would be a map, or even both.

```
1 std::list<char> data{'a', 'b', 'c'};
2 vector_view view{data};
3 std::cout << view[0] << std::endl; // a
4 std::cout << view[1] << std::endl; // b
5 std::cout << view[2] << std::endl; // c</pre>
```

- GitHub
  - Reddit
  - See also: Vista
  - See also: Boost flat\_map

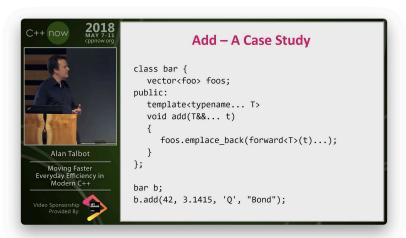
## Library: Asio-chan

This library provides golang-inspired channel types to be used with ASIO awaitable coroutines. Channels allow bidirectional message passing and synchronization between coroutines.

- GitHub (C++20, MIT)
  - Reddit

## Moving Faster: Everyday Efficiency in Modern C++

- C++Now 2018, YouTube
  - Reddit



## Why no standard library support for command line parsing?

- Reddit
  - P0781R0 A Modern C++ Signature for main
  - TCLAP Templatized Command Line Argument Parser: SourceForge, GitHub
  - Gflags, GitHub
  - Cxxopts
  - CL I11
  - Boost.Program\_options
  - Quick Arg Parser: GitHub, Reddit
  - Lvra
  - Clara, blog post by Marius Bancila

```
1 std::vector<std::string_view> args(argv, argv+argc);
```

# Number Parsing at a Gigabyte per Second

- Daniel Lemire
  - Paper
  - Reddit
  - fast\_float (GitHub)
  - The Eisel-Lemire ParseNumberF64 Algorithm
  - Go Systems talk (YouTube)

# std::jthread and cooperative cancellation with stop token

- Article on Nextptr
  - Reddit

# Time Travel Debugging for C/C++

- Article
  - Reddit

# Abbreviated Function Templates and Constrained Auto

- Sy Brand, Microsoft
  - Reddit

## Library: C++20 container concepts

This library aims to provide general purpose concepts that are not available in the C++20 concepts library, most notably container concepts.

- GitHub
  - Reddit

#### Coderrect Scanner

A fast static analysis tool for detecting race conditions in C++ code. Supports pthreads, std::thread, OpenMP, and more.

- Home Page
  - Reddit

## Library: Fixed math (header-only, MIT)

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

# Scientific computing in C++

Reddit

#### Libraries

- Eigen
- Blaze
- Boost uBLAS
- PETSc

# Documenting C++ code

- Reddit
  - Doxygen, Sphinx + Breathe ⇒ {fmt}
  - Standardese
  - clang-doc
  - hdoc
  - Adobe Hyde

# CMake and the Future of C++ Package Management

- Borislav Stanimirov
  - Reddit

## Motivating examples of coroutines

- Reddit
- Previously: Reddit

## The perils of the accidental C++ conversion constructor

- Raymond Chen
  - Reddit

No one hates C++ more than the people who love C++. #

# Making Win32 APIs More Accessible to More Languages

- Microsoft
  - C++/WinRT

### C++ and game engines

#### Reddit

Hey, I started out with C++ 3 months ago and really love it. I already have some experience in Unity, but I'd like to use C++. Is there any engine you would recommend me to try out? I know about Unreal Engine but I can't find any good tutorials for how to use C++ with Unreal Engine. Is there any other option or a tutorial series or anything you could recommend me?

Game developers, what compiler optimization setting do you use?

Reddit

#### EnTT 3.6.0

Gaming meets modern C++ - a fast and reliable entity component system (ECS) and much more.

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

#### **Better CMake**

Videos by Jefferson Amstutz

## Solving differential equations with LLVM

Heyoka is a C++ library for the integration of ordinary differential equations (ODEs) via Taylor's method. Notable features include:

- support for both double-precision and extended-precision floating-point types (80-bit and 28-bit),
- the ability to maintain machine precision accuracy over tens of billions of timesteps, batch mode integration to harness the power of modern SIMD instruction sets,
- a high-performance implementation of Taylor's method based on automatic differentiation techniques and aggressive just-in-time compilation via LLVM.

#### Links

- GitHub (C++17, MPL-2.0)
  - Docs
  - Reddit

## TTauri: modern retained-mode GUI library in C++20

- GitHub
  - Reddit

# C++20 Coroutines: sketching a minimal async framework

- Jeremy Ong
  - Reddit

## C++ Performance Trap #1: Constant-size std::vector

- Scott Wolchok
  - Reddit
  - Software optimization resources, by Agner

# C++ Performance Trap #2: Unnecessary std::function

- Scott Wolchok
  - Reddit

# Inlining and Compiler Optimizations

- Scott Wolchok
  - Reddit

## Library: Cli

A cross-platform header only C++14 library for interactive command line interfaces (Cisco style).

GitHub

#### **Twitter**

