



# C++

## *Course Overview*

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# COURSE OVERVIEW

- ▶ OO, Classes, inheritance, polymorphism
- ▶ Operator overloading
- ▶ Pointers & References – dynamic memory management
- ▶ Standard Template Library
  - Containers: array, vector, list, deque, (multi) set, (multi)map
  - Adapters: stack, queue, priority\_queue, bitset
  - Algorithms: sort, binary\_search, accumulate
- ▶ Exceptions
- ▶ Function pointers & function objects
- ▶ Templates
- ▶ C++ 11
  - Smart pointers
  - Lambda expressions
  - Multi-threading

Design Patterns



# SOME INTERESTING SOFTWARE ENGINEERING TOPICS COVERED (1/2)

- ▶ Avoid double initialisation in constructors by using member initializers
- ▶ Either the prefix or postfix increment can be used. Use the prefix form for *performance* reasons because it does not create a temporary object.
- ▶ Use *explicit* constructors and conversion operators
- ▶ Use `const` whenever possible
- ▶ If a class has virtual functions, always provide a virtual destructor
- ▶ Polymorphisms and dynamic casts

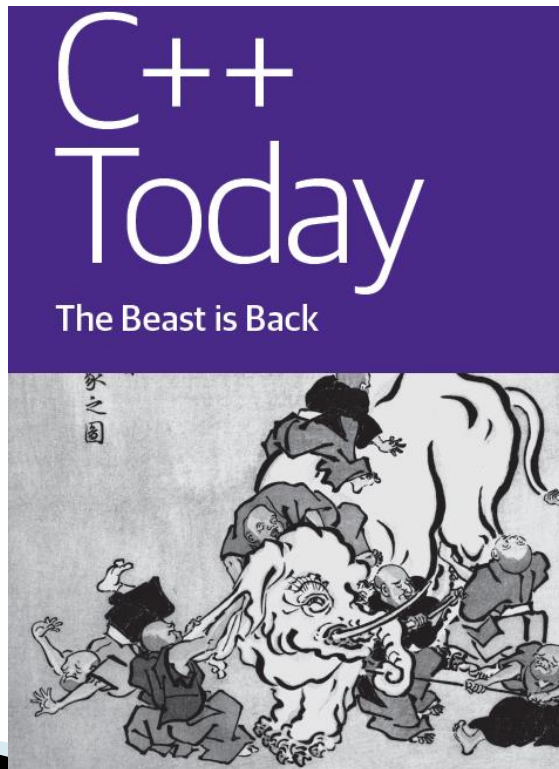


# SOME INTERESTING SOFTWARE ENGINEERING TOPICS COVERED (2/2)

- ▶ Manipulating containers with iterators is convenient and provides tremendous expressive power when combined with Standard Library algorithms—in some cases, reducing many lines of code to a single statement
- ▶ When an object is inserted into a container, a *copy* of the object is made. For this reason, the object type should provide a *copy constructor* and *copy assignment operator* (custom or default versions, depending on whether the class uses dynamic memory).
- ▶ Prefer function objects over function pointers for STL algorithms

# Quotes etc.

- ▶ C makes it easy to shoot yourself in the foot; C++ makes it harder, but when you do it blows your whole leg off.



-- Bjarne Stroustrup (2007) --

-- Jon Kalb & Gašper Ažman (2015) --



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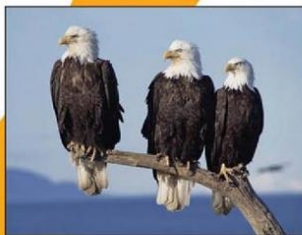
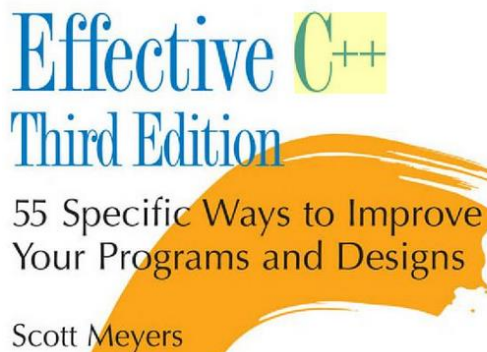
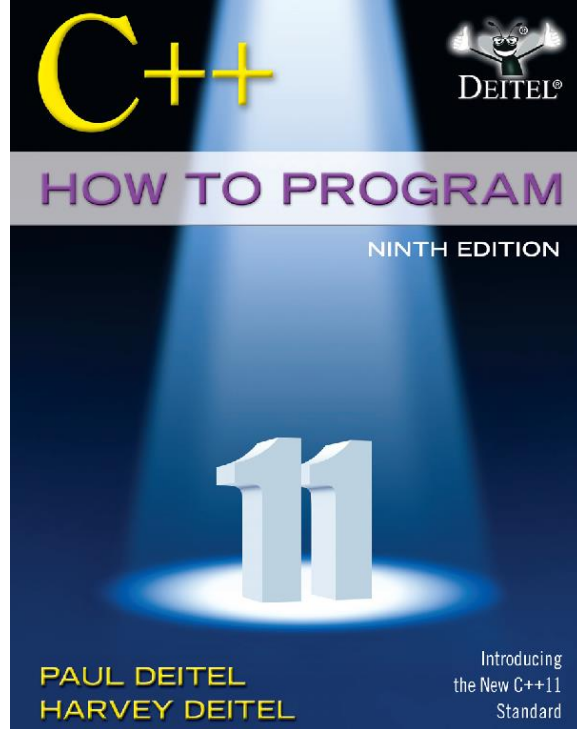
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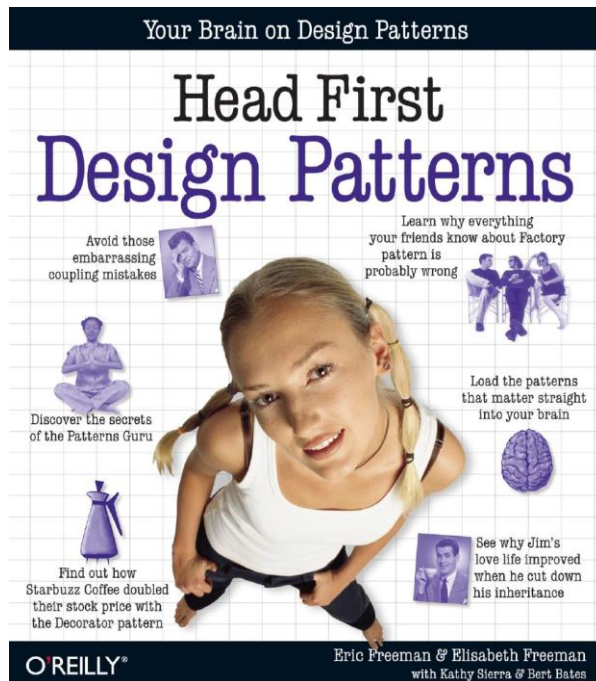
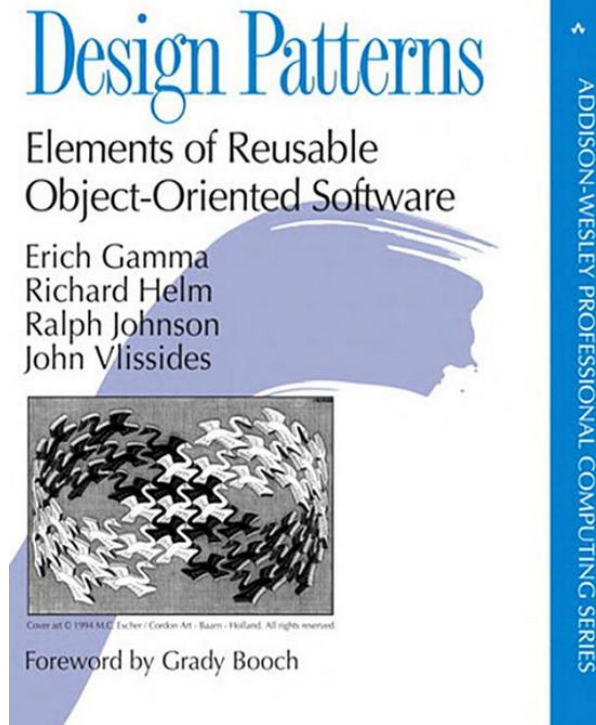
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# ONLINE INFORMATION RESOURCES

- ▶ Course materials: <https://github.com/jdecorte/cpp>
  
- ▶ [www.cplusplus.com](http://www.cplusplus.com)
- ▶ [www.cppreference.com](http://www.cppreference.com)
- ▶ [www.stroustrup.com](http://www.stroustrup.com)
- ▶ <http://web.stanford.edu/class/cs106l/course-reader/> (course at Stanford University)
- ▶ [en.wikibooks.org/wiki/C++\\_Programming/Code/Design\\_Patterns](http://en.wikibooks.org/wiki/C%2B%2B_Programming/Code/Design_Patterns)
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