Range-Based For Loops and Auto

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Auto Type Deduction Possibilities

- auto
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- decltype (auto) // C++14

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decltype(auto)

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for (decltype(auto) x : range) // C++14
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References and Further Information



Scott Meyers

Effective Modern C++

O'Reilly Media, 2014, 336 pages

Talks:

- Scott Meyers: Type Deduction and Why You Care (CppCon 2014)
 - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wQxj20X-tlU

SO questions:

- What is the advantage of using auto&& in range-based for loops?
 - http://stackoverflow.com/q/13130708/2580955
- What is the correct way of using C++11's range-based for?
 - http://stackoverflow.com/q/15927033/2580955
- Range-based for loop with decltype(auto)?
 - http://stackoverflow.com/q/38421392/2580955