

Zero Overhead Pass By Value Through Invocable Abstractions

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Zero Overhead Pass By Value

```
struct Mountain {  
    explicit Mountain(char const* name);  
  
    void climb();  
  
};
```

Zero Overhead Pass By Value

```
struct Mountain {  
    explicit Mountain(char const* name);  
  
    void climb();  
  
    Mountain(Mountain const&) = delete;  
    Mountain(Mountain&&) = delete;  
  
    ~Mountain();  
};
```

Not copyable or movable!

Zero Overhead Pass By Value

```
void normal_function(Mountain m) {  
    m.climb();  
}
```

Zero Overhead Pass By Value

```
void normal_function(Mountain m) {  
    m.climb();  
}  
  
int main(int, char**) {  
  
}
```

Zero Overhead Pass By Value

```
void normal_function(Mountain m) {  
    m.climb();  
}  
  
int main(int, char**) {  
    normal_function(Mountain("Everest"));  
}
```

Zero Overhead Pass By Value

```
void normal_function(Mountain m) {  
    m.climb();  
}  
  
int main(int, char**) {  
    normal_function(Mountain("Everest"));  
}
```

No copy or move!

Constructed directly in argument slot.

Zero Overhead Pass By Value

```
struct Base {  
};
```

Zero Overhead Pass By Value

```
struct Base {  
    virtual void virtual_function(Mountain) = 0;  
};
```

By Value

Zero Overhead Pass By Value

```
struct Base {  
    virtual void virtual_function(Mountain) = 0;  
};
```

```
struct Derived : Base {
```

```
};
```

Zero Overhead Pass By Value

```
struct Base {  
    virtual void virtual_function(Mountain) = 0;  
};  
  
struct Derived : Base {  
    void virtual_function(Mountain m) override {  
        m.climb();  
    }  
};
```

By Value

Zero Overhead Pass By Value

```
int main(int, char**) {  
    Derived d;  
  
}
```

Zero Overhead Pass By Value

```
int main(int, char**) {  
    Derived d;  
    Base& b = d;  
}
```

Zero Overhead Pass By Value

```
int main(int, char**) {  
    Derived d;  
    Base& b = d;  
  
    b.virtual_function(Mountain("Matterhorn"));  
}
```

No copy or move!

Zero Overhead Pass By Value

```
int main(int, char**) {  
    auto lambda = [](Mountain m) { m.climb(); }  
    By Value  
}
```

Zero Overhead Pass By Value

```
int main(int, char**) {  
    auto lambda = [](Mountain m) { m.climb(); };  
  
    lambda(Mountain("Denali"));  
}
```

No copy or move!

Zero Overhead Pass By Value

```
int main(int, char**) {  
    auto lambda = [](Mountain m) { m.climb(); };  
  
}
```

Zero Overhead Pass By Value

```
int main(int, char**) {  
    auto lambda = [](Mountain m) { m.climb(); };  
  
    std::function<void(Mountain)> fun(lambda);  
}  
}
```

Zero Overhead Pass By Value

```
int main(int, char**) {  
    auto lambda = [](Mountain m) { m.climb(); };  
  
    std::function<void(Mountain)> fun(lambda);  
  
    fun(Mountain("Fuji"));  
}
```

Zero Overhead Pass By Value

```
int main(int, char**) {
    auto lambda = [](Mountain m) { m.climb(); };

    std::function<void(Mountain)> fun(lambda);

    fun(Mountain("Fuji"));
}
```

Does not compile.

The Problem

- `std::function` Does Not Support Immovable Arguments
- `std::function` Always Moves Argument Values

The Cause

```
template <typename R, typename... Args>
class function<R(Args...)> {
};
```

The Cause

```
template <typename R, typename... Args>
class function<R(Args...)> {

    template <typename Func>

        function(Func&&);

};

};
```

The Cause

```
template <typename R, typename... Args>
class function<R(Args...)> {
    template <typename Func>
    requires std::is_invocable_v<Func, Args...>
    function(Func&&);
};
```

Can I call Func with Args&&...?

The Cause

```
template <typename Func, typename... Args>
constexpr bool is_invocable_v =
```

The Cause

```
template <typename Func, typename... Args>
constexpr bool is_invocable_v = requires(Func f) {
};
```

The Cause

```
template <typename Func, typename... Args>
constexpr bool is_invocable_v = requires(Func f) {
    f(
);
};
```

The Cause

```
template <typename Func, typename... Args>
constexpr bool is_invocable_v = requires(Func f) {
    f(std::declval<Args>()...);
};
```

The Cause

```
template <typename Func, typename... Args>
constexpr bool is_invocable_v = requires(Func f) {
    f(std::declval<Args>()...);
};
```

`std::declval` creates a value of the specified type.

The Cause

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template <typename Func, typename... Args>
constexpr bool is_invocable_v = requires(Func f) {
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};
```

`std::declval` creates a value of the specified type.

```
std::declval<T&>() -> T&;
```

The Cause

```
template <typename Func, typename... Args>
constexpr bool is_invocable_v = requires(Func f) {
    f(std::declval<Args>()...);
};
```

`std::declval` creates a value of the specified type.

```
std::declval<T&>() -> T&;
std::declval<T&&>() -> T&&;
```

The Cause

```
template <typename Func, typename... Args>
constexpr bool is_invocable_v = requires(Func f) {
    f(std::declval<Args>()...);
};
```

`std::declval` creates a value of the specified type.

```
std::declval<T&>() -> T&;
std::declval<T&&>() -> T&&;
std::declval<T>() -> T&&;
```

The Cause

```
template <typename Func, typename... Args>
constexpr bool is_invocable_v = requires(Func f) {
    f(std::declval<Args>()...);
};
```

std::declval creates an **rvalue reference** of the specified type.

```
std::declval<T&>() -> T&;
std::declval<T&&>() -> T&&;
std::declval<T>() -> T&&;
```

The Cause

```
void normal_function(Mountain m);
```

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```

```
Mountain make_value();
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```

```
int main(int, char**) {  
    normal_function(make_value());  
}
```

The Cause

```
void normal_function(Mountain m);
```

```
Mountain make_value();  
Mountain&& make_rvalue_ref();
```

```
int main(int, char**) {  
    normal_function(make_value());  
  
}
```

The Cause

```
void normal_function(Mountain m);

Mountain make_value();
Mountain&& make_rvalue_ref();

int main(int, char**) {
    normal_function(make_value());
    normal_function(make_rvalue_ref());
}
```

The Cause

```
void normal_function(Mountain m);

Mountain make_value();
Mountain&& make_rvalue_ref();

int main(int, char**) {
    normal_function(make_value());
    normal_function(make_rvalue_ref());
}
```

Passing a prvalue is different than passing an rvalue reference.

The Cause

```
template <typename R, typename... Args>
class function<R(Args...)> {
};

}
```

The Cause

```
template <typename R, typename... Args>
class function<R(Args...)> {
```

Potentially values

```
} ;
```

The Cause

```
template <typename R, typename... Args>
class function<R(Args...)> {
    void* m_bound;
};

};
```

Points to the target object.

The Cause

```
template <typename R, typename... Args>
class function<R(Args...)> {
    void* m_bound;
    R (*m_thunk)(void*, Args&&...);
};

};
```

Forwards arguments to the target object.

The Cause

```
template <typename R, typename... Args>
class function<R(Args...)> {
    void* m_bound;
    R (*m_thunk)(void*, Args&&...);

    R operator()(Args... args) {
        return m_thunk(
            m_bound, std::forward<Args>(args)...);
    }
};
```

The Cause

```
R operator()(Args... args) {  
    return m_thunk(  
        m_bound, std::forward<Args>(args)...);  
}
```

The Cause

```
R operator()(Args... args) {  
    return m_thunk( Points to thunk<T>.  
                    m_bound, std::forward<Args>(args)...);  
}
```

```
template <typename T>  
static R thunk(void* bound, Args&& args...) {  
}
```

The Cause

```
R operator()(Args... args) {
    return m_thunk(
        m_bound, std::forward<Args>(args)...);
}

template <typename T>
static R thunk(void* bound, Args&& args...) {
    return (*static_cast<T*>(bound))(
        std::forward<Args>(args)...);
}
```

The Cause

```
R operator()(Args... args) { Values.  
    return m_thunk(  
        m_bound, std::forward<Args>(args)...);  
}
```

```
template <typename T>  
static R thunk(void* bound, Args&& args...) {  
    return (*static_cast<T*>(bound))(  
        std::forward<Args>(args)...);  
}
```

The Cause

```
R operator()(Args... args) {  
    return m_thunk(  
        m_bound, std::forward<Args>(args)...);  
}
```

```
template <typename T>  
static R thunk(void* bound, Args&& args...) {  
    return (*static_cast<T*>(bound))(  
        std::forward<Args>(args)...);  
}
```

References, not values.

The Clue

```
struct Boulder {  
    // rule of five  
};  
  
void target(Boulder );  
  
void test() {  
    target(Boulder());  
}
```

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void test() {  
    target(Boulder());  
}
```

```
test():  
    subq $24, %rsp  
    leaq 15(%rsp), %rdi  
    call Boulder::Boulder() [complete object constructor]  
    leaq 15(%rsp), %rdi  
    call target(Boulder)  
    leaq 15(%rsp), %rdi  
    call Boulder::~Boulder() [complete object destructor]  
    addq $24, %rsp  
    ret
```

The Clue

```
struct Boulder {  
    // rule of five  
};  
  
void target(Boulder );  
  
void test() {  
    target(Boulder());  
}
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    call target(Boulder)  
    leaq 15(%rsp), %rdi  
    call Boulder::~Boulder() [complete object destructor]  
    addq $24, %rsp  
    ret
```

The Clue

```
struct Boulder {  
    // rule of five  
};  
  
void target(Boulder&&);  
  
void test() {  
    target(Boulder());  
}
```

```
test():  
    subq $24, %rsp  
    leaq 15(%rsp), %rdi  
    call Boulder::Boulder() [complete object constructor]  
    leaq 15(%rsp), %rdi  
    call target(Boulder&&) [complete object destructor]  
    leaq 15(%rsp), %rdi  
    call Boulder::~Boulder() [complete object destructor]  
    addq $24, %rsp  
    ret
```

Same instructions!

The Rule

<https://itanium-cxx-abi.github.io/cxx-abi/abi.html#non-trivial-parameters>

If a parameter type is a class type that is **non-trivial** for the purposes of **calls**, the caller must allocate space for a temporary and pass that temporary by reference.

The Rule

<https://itanium-cxx-abi.github.io/cxx-abi/abi.html#non-trivial>

non-trivial for the purpose of calls

A type is considered non-trivial for the purposes of calls if:

- it has a non-trivial copy constructor, move constructor, or destructor, or
- all of its copy and move constructors are deleted

The Rule

https://en.cppreference.com/w/cpp/types/is_trivially_copyable

```
template <typename T>
struct is_trivially_copyable;

template <typename T>
inline constexpr bool is_trivially_copyable_v =
    is_trivially_copyable<T>::value;
```

The Rule

https://en.cppreference.com/w/cpp/language/classes#Trivially_copyable_class

A *trivially copyable class* is a class that

- has at least one eligible ... constructor or ... assignment operator
- each eligible ... constructor is trivial
- each eligible ... assignment operator is trivial
- has a non-deleted trivial destructor.

The Trick

```
void target(Boulder);

void test() {
    void (* const by_val_ptr)(Boulder) = &target;

    void (* const by_ref_ptr)(Boulder&&) =
        reinterpret_cast<void(*)(Boulder&&)>(by_val_ptr);

    by_ref_ptr(Boulder());
}
```

The Trick

```
void target(Boulder);  
  
void test() {  
    // ...  
  
    by_ref_ptr(Boulder());  
}
```

```
test():  
    subq $24, %rsp  
    leaq 15(%rsp), %rdi  
    call Boulder::Boulder() [complete object constructor]  
    leaq 15(%rsp), %rdi  
    call target(Boulder)  
    leaq 15(%rsp), %rdi  
    call Boulder::~Boulder() [complete object destructor]  
    addq $24, %rsp  
    ret
```

The Trick

```
void target(Boulder);

void test(Boulder&& boulder) {
    // ...

    by_ref_ptr(std::move(boulder));
}
```

Pass reference instead of value!

The Abstraction

https://en.cppreference.com/w/cpp/utility/functional/function_ref

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template <typename>
class function_ref;
```

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```
template <typename>
class function_ref;
```

```
template <typename R, typename... Args>
class function_ref<R(Args...)>;
```

The Abstraction

https://en.cppreference.com/w/cpp/utility/functional/function_ref

```
template <typename>
class function_ref;
```

```
template <typename R, typename... Args>
class function_ref<R(Args...)>;
template <typename R, typename... Args>
class function_ref<R(Args...) noexcept>;
```

The Abstraction

https://en.cppreference.com/w/cpp/utility/functional/function_ref

```
template <typename>
class function_ref;
```

```
template <typename R, typename... Args>
class function_ref<R(Args...)>;
template <typename R, typename... Args>
class function_ref<R(Args...) noexcept>;
template <typename R, typename... Args>
class function_ref<R(Args...) const>;
```

The Abstraction

https://en.cppreference.com/w/cpp/utility/functional/function_ref

```
template <typename>
class function_ref;

template <typename R, typename... Args>
class function_ref<R(Args...)>;
template <typename R, typename... Args>
class function_ref<R(Args...) noexcept>;
template <typename R, typename... Args>
class function_ref<R(Args...) const>;
template <typename R, typename... Args>
class function_ref<R(Args...) const noexcept>;
```

The Abstraction

https://en.cppreference.com/w/cpp/utility/functional/function_ref

```
template <typename>
class function_ref;
```

```
template <typename R, typename... Args>
class function_ref<R(Args...)>;
```

Let's implement it.

The Abstraction

```
template <typename R, typename... Args>
class function_ref<R(Args...)>{

public:

}
```

The Abstraction

```
template <typename R, typename... Args>
class function_ref<R(Args...)>{
    void* m_bound;    Points to the target object.

public:

}
```

The Abstraction

```
template <typename R, typename... Args>
class function_ref<R(Args...)>{
    void* m_bound;
    thunk_t m_thunk;
```

Forwards arguments.

```
public:
```

```
}
```

The Abstraction

```
template <typename R, typename... Args>
class function_ref<R(Args...)>{
    void* m_bound;
    thunk_t m_thunk;

public:
    function_ref(Func);
```

Constructors.

}

The Abstraction

```
template <typename R, typename... Args>
class function_ref<R(Args...)>{
    void* m_bound;
    thunk_t m_thunk;

public:
    function_ref(Func);

    R operator()(Args... args) const
}
```

Call the target object.

The Abstraction

```
template <typename R, typename... Args>
class function_ref<R(Args...)>{
    void* m_bound;
    thunk_t m_thunk;

public:
    function_ref(Func);

    R operator()(Args... args) const {
        m_thunk(m_bound, std::forward<Args>(args)...);
    }
}
```

The Abstraction

```
template <typename R, typename... Args>
class function_ref<R(Args...)>{
    void* m_bound;
    thunk_t m_thunk;      Pointer to function.

public:
    function_ref(Func);

    R operator()(Args... args) const {
        m_thunk(m_bound, std::forward<Args>(args)...);
    }
}
```

The Abstraction

```
// function ref // thunk_t  
void(int& ) -> void(void*, int& )
```

The Abstraction

```
// function_ref // thunk_t
void(int& ) -> void(void*, int& )
void(int const&) -> void(void*, int const& )
```

The Abstraction

```
// function_ref // thunk_t
void(int& ) -> void(void*, int& )
void(int const& ) -> void(void*, int const& )
void(int&& ) -> void(void*, int&& )
```

The Abstraction

```
// function_ref // thunk_t
void(int& ) -> void(void*, int& )
void(int const& ) -> void(void*, int const& )
void(int&& ) -> void(void*, int&& )
```

References unchanged.

The Abstraction

```
// function_ref // thunk_t
void(int& ) -> void(void*, int& )
void(int const& ) -> void(void*, int const& )
void(int&& ) -> void(void*, int&& )

void(int ) -> void(void*, int )
```

The Abstraction

```
// function_ref // thunk_t
void(int& ) -> void(void*, int& )
void(int const& ) -> void(void*, int const& )
void(int&& ) -> void(void*, int&& )

void(int ) -> void(void*, int )
void(Trivial ) -> void(void*, Trivial )
```

The Abstraction

```
// function_ref // thunk_t
void(int& ) -> void(void*, int& )
void(int const& ) -> void(void*, int const& )
void(int&& ) -> void(void*, int&& )

void(int ) -> void(void*, int )
void(Trivial ) -> void(void*, Trivial )
```

Trivial types by value.

The Abstraction

```
// function_ref // thunk_t
void(int& ) -> void(void*, int& )
void(int const& ) -> void(void*, int const& )
void(int&& ) -> void(void*, int&& )

void(int ) -> void(void*, int )
void(Trivial ) -> void(void*, Trivial )

void(NonTrivial) -> void(void*, NonTrivial&& )
```

The Abstraction

```
// function_ref // thunk_t
void(int& ) -> void(void*, int& )
void(int const& ) -> void(void*, int const& )
void(int&& ) -> void(void*, int&& )

void(int ) -> void(void*, int )
void(Trivial ) -> void(void*, Trivial )

void(NonTrivial) -> void(void*, NonTrivial&& )
```

Non-trivial types by rvalue reference.

The Abstraction

```
template <typename T>
```

```
struct thunk_arg<T> {
```

```
};
```

The Abstraction

```
template <typename T>
requires std::is_reference_v<T>
struct thunk_arg<T> {
};
```

The Abstraction

```
template <typename T>
requires std::is_reference_v<T>
struct thunk_arg<T> {
    using type = T;           References unchanged.
};
```

The Abstraction

```
template <typename T>
requires std::is_trivially_copyable<T>
struct thunk_arg<T> {
};
```

The Abstraction

```
template <typename T>
requires std::is_trivially_copyable<T>
struct thunk_arg<T> {
    using type = T;           Trivial types by value.
};
```

The Abstraction

```
template <typename T>
struct thunk_arg {
    using type = T&&;
};
```

Non-trivial types by rvalue reference.

The Abstraction

```
template <typename T>
struct thunk_arg {
    using type = T&&;
};
```

```
template <typename T>
using thunk_arg_t = typename thunk_arg<T>::type;
```

The Abstraction

```
template <typename T>
struct thunk_arg {
    using type = T&&;
};
```

```
template <typename T>
using thunk_arg_t = typename thunk_arg<T>::type;

using thunk_t = R(*)(void*, thunk_arg_t<Args>...)
```

The Abstraction

```
template <typename T>
struct thunk_arg {
    using type = T&&;
};
```

```
template <typename T>
using thunk_arg_t = typename thunk_arg<T>::type;

using thunk_t = R(*)(void*, thunk_arg_t<Args>...)
```

The Abstraction

Implement constructors for:

- Free Functions
- Member Functions
- Function Objects

Free Functions

```
void normal_function(Mountain m) {  
    m.climb();  
}
```

Free Functions

```
void normal_function(Mountain m) {  
    m.climb();  
}  
  
int main(int, char**) {  
    function_ref<void(Mountain> fun(&normal_function));  
}  
}
```

Free Functions

```
void normal_function(Mountain m) {  
    m.climb();  
}  
  
int main(int, char**) {  
    function_ref<void(Mountain> fun(&normal_function));  
  
    fun(Mountain("Kilimanjaro"));  
}
```

Free Functions

```
template <typename R, typename... Args>
class function_ref<R(Args...)> {
    function_ref(                           );
};

};
```

Free Functions

```
template <typename R, typename... Args>
class function_ref<R(Args...)> {

    template <typename R2, typename... Args2>

        function_ref(R2 (*ptr)(Args2...));
};

ptr Points to some free function.
```

Free Functions

```
template <typename R, typename... Args>
class function_ref<R(Args...)> {

    template <typename R2, typename... Args2>
    requires convertible_from<Args2, Args>

        function_ref(R2 (*ptr)(Args2...));
};


```

Convert from each Arg to corresponding Arg2.

Free Functions

```
template <typename R, typename... Args>
class function_ref<R(Args...)> {

    template <typename R2, typename... Args2>
    requires (convertible_from<Args2, Args> && ...
              && convertible_from<R, R2>)
    function_ref(R2 (*ptr)(Args2...));
};


```

Convert from each Arg to corresponding Arg2.
Convert from R2 to R.

Free Functions

```
template <typename To, typename From>
concept convertible_from =
```

Can I create a To value using a From value?

Free Functions

```
template <typename To, typename From>
concept convertible_from =
    std::same_as<To, From> ||
```

Are To and From the same?

Free Functions

```
template <typename To, typename From>
concept convertible_from =
    std::same_as<To, From> ||  
    requires(From (&start)())
```

start creates a From value.

Free Functions

```
template <typename To, typename From>
concept convertible_from =
    std::same_as<To, From> ||  
    requires(From (&start)(), void (&finish)(To))
```

start creates a From value.
finish takes a To value.

Free Functions

```
template <typename To, typename From>
concept convertible_from =
    std::same_as<To, From> ||
    requires(From (&start)(), void (&finish)(To)) {
        finish(start());
    };
```

start creates a From value.
finish takes a To value.

Free Functions

```
template <typename R, typename... Args>
class function_ref<R(Args...)> {

    template // ...
    requires // ...
    function_ref(R2 (*ptr)(Args2...))

};

};
```

Free Functions

```
template <typename R, typename... Args>
class function_ref<R(Args...)> {

    template // ...
    requires // ...
    function_ref(R2 (*ptr)(Args2...))
        : m_bound(reinterpret_cast<void*>(ptr)) // This line is highlighted with a yellow box

};

};
```

Free Functions

```
template <typename R, typename... Args>
class function_ref<R(Args...)> {

    template // ...
    requires // ...
    function_ref(R2 (*ptr)(Args2...))
        : m_bound(reinterpret_cast<void*>(ptr))
        , m_thunk(&free_fun<R2(Args2...)>::thunk) {}

};

};
```

Free Functions

```
template <typename R2, typename... Args2>
struct free_fun<R2(Args2...)> {
    static R thunk
};

Forwards arguments to function.
```

Free Functions

```
template <typename R2, typename... Args2>
struct free_fun<R2(Args2...)> {
    static R thunk(void* bound,
```

Points to original function.

```
};
```

Free Functions

```
template <typename R2, typename... Args2>
struct free_fun<R2(Args2...)> {

    static R thunk(void* bound,
                  thunk_arg_t<Args>... args) {

    }

};
```

Free Functions

```
template <typename R2, typename... Args2>
struct free_fun<R2(Args2...)> {
    static R thunk(void* bound,
                  thunk_arg_t<Args>... args) {
}
};
```

The type of the original function.

Free Functions

```
template <typename R2, typename... Args2>
struct free_fun<R2(Args2...)> {

    static R thunk(void* bound,
                  thunk_arg_t<Args>... args) {
        using fun_t = R2(*)(thunk_arg_t<Args2>...);

        fun_t is not the exact original function type.
    }

};
```

Free Functions

```
template <typename R2, typename... Args2>
struct free_fun<R2(Args2...)> {

    static R thunk(void* bound,
                  thunk_arg_t<Args>... args) {
        using fun_t = R2(*)(thunk_arg_t<Args2>...);
    }
};
```

The trick: convert non-trivial values into rvalue references.

Free Functions

```
template <typename R2, typename... Args2>
struct free_fun<R2(Args2...)> {

    static R thunk(void* bound,
                  thunk_arg_t<Args>... args) {
        using fun_t = R2(*)(thunk_arg_t<Args2>...);

        return reinterpret_cast<fun_t>(bound)
            (std::forward<Args>(args)...);
    }
};
```

Free Functions

```
void normal_function(Mountain m) {  
    m.climb();  
}
```

By value.

Free Functions

```
void normal_function(Mountain m) {  
    m.climb();  
}  
  
int main(int, char**) {  
    function_ref<void(Mountain)> fun(&normal_function);  
}  
}
```

Free Functions

```
void normal_function(Mountain m) {  
    m.climb();  
}  
  
int main(int, char**) {  
    function_ref<void(Mountain)> fun(&normal_function);  
  
    fun(Mountain("Kilimanjaro"));  
}
```

Member Functions

```
int main(int, char**) {  
    Class object;  
  
}
```

Member Functions

```
int main(int, char**) {  
    Class object;  
  
    function_ref<void(Mountain)> fun  
}  
}
```

Member Functions

```
int main(int, char**) {  
    Class object;  
  
    function_ref<void(Mountain)> fun(  
        nontype<&Class::member_function>,  
        object);  
  
}
```

Member Functions

```
int main(int, char**) {
    Class object;

    function_ref<void(Mountain)> fun(
        nontype<&Class::member_function>,
        object);

    fun(Mountain("Blanc"));
}
```

Member Functions

```
function_ref(nontype_t<MemFun>, Class& obj);
```

Member Functions

```
template <
    typename R2,
    typename Class,
    typename... Args2,
    function_ref(nontype_t<MemFun>, Class& obj);
```

The member function return type

Member Functions

```
template <
    typename R2,
    typename Class,
    typename... Args2,
    function_ref(nontype_t<MemFun>, Class& obj);
```

The member function return type
The class type

Member Functions

```
template <
    typename R2,
    typename Class,
    typename... Args2,
```

The member function return type
The class type
The member function argument types

```
function_ref(nontype_t<MemFun>, Class& obj);
```

Member Functions

```
template <  
    typename R2,  
    typename Class,  
    typename... Args2,  
    R2 (Class::*MemFun)(Args2...) >
```

The member function

```
function_ref(nontype_t<MemFun>, Class& obj);
```

Member Functions

```
template <
    typename R2,
    typename Class,
    typename... Args2,
    R2 (Class::*MemFun)(Args2...)>
requires (convertible_from<Args2, Args>

function_ref(nontype_t<MemFun>, Class& obj);
```

Convert from each Arg to corresponding Arg2.

Member Functions

```
template <
    typename R2,
    typename Class,
    typename... Args2,
    R2 (Class::*MemFun)(Args2...)>
requires (convertible_from<Args2, Args> && ...
    && convertible_from<R, R2>)
function_ref(nontype_t<MemFun>, Class& obj);
```

Convert from each Arg to corresponding Arg2.
Convert from R2 to R.

Member Functions

```
template <typename R, typename... Args>
class function_ref<R(Args...)> {

    template // ...
    requires // ...
    function_ref(nontype_t<MemFun>, Class& obj)

};

};
```

Member Functions

```
template <typename R, typename... Args>
class function_ref<R(Args...)> {

    template // ...
    requires // ...
    function_ref(nontype_t<MemFun>, Class& obj)
        : m_bound(std::addressof(obj)) // This line is highlighted with a yellow box

};
```

Member Functions

```
template <typename R, typename... Args>
class function_ref<R(Args...)> {

    template // ...
    requires // ...
    function_ref(nontype_t<MemFun>, Class& obj)
        : m_bound(std::addressof(obj))
        , m_thunk(&mem_fun<MemFun>::thunk) {}

};

};
```

Member Functions

```
template // ...
struct mem_fun<MemFun> {
    static R thunk
};

};
```

Forwards arguments to member function.

Member Functions

```
template // ...
struct mem_fun<MemFun> {
    static R thunk(void* bound
});
```

Points to object.

Member Functions

```
template // ...
struct mem_fun<MemFun> {
    static R thunk(void* bound,
                  thunk_arg_t<Args>... args) {
}
};
```

Member Functions

```
template // ...
struct mem_fun<MemFun> {
    static R thunk(void* bound,
                  thunk_arg_t<Args>... args) {
    }
};
```

The original member function.

Member Functions

```
template // ...
struct mem_fun<MemFun> {
    static R thunk(void* bound,
                  thunk_arg_t<Args>... args) {
        using fun_t = R2(Class::*)(thunk_arg_t<Args2>...);
    }
};
```

fun_t is not the same type as MemFun.

Member Functions

```
template // ...
struct mem_fun<MemFun> {
    static R thunk(void* bound,
                  thunk_arg_t<Args>... args) {
        using fun_t = R2(Class::*)(thunk_arg_t<Args2>...);
    }
};
```

The trick: convert non-trivial values into rvalue references.

Member Functions

```
template // ...
struct mem_fun<MemFun> {
    static R thunk(void* bound,
                  thunk_arg_t<Args>... args) {
        using fun_t = R2(Class::*)(thunk_arg_t<Args2>...);

        return (static_cast<Class*>(bound)->*
                reinterpret_cast<fun_t>(MemFun))
                (std::forward<Args>(args)...);
    }
};
```

Member Functions

```
struct Class {  
    void member_function(Mountain m);  
};
```

By value.

Member Functions

```
struct Class {  
    void member_function(Mountain m);  
};
```

```
int main(int, char**) {  
    Class object;  
}
```

Member Functions

```
struct Class {  
    void member_function(Mountain m);  
};  
  
int main(int, char**) {  
    Class object;  
  
    function_ref<void(Mountain)> fun(  
        nontype<&Class::member_function>,  
        object);  
  
}  
}
```

Member Functions

```
struct Class {  
    void member_function(Mountain m);  
};  
  
int main(int, char**) {  
    Class object;  
  
    function_ref<void(Mountain)> fun(  
        nontype<&Class::member_function>,  
        object);  
  
    fun(Mountain("Toubkal"));  
}
```

Function Objects

```
struct Class {  
    void operator()(Mountain m);  
};
```

By value.

Function Objects

```
struct Class {  
    void operator()(Mountain m);  
};  
  
int main(int, char**) {  
    Class object;  
  
    function_ref<void(Mountain)> fun(object);  
}
```

Function Objects

```
struct Class {  
    void operator()(Mountain m);  
};  
  
int main(int, char**) {  
    Class object;  
  
    function_ref<void(Mountain)> fun(object);  
  
    fun(Mountain("Elbrus"));  
}
```

Calls Class::operator()

Function Objects

```
struct Class {  
    void operator()(Mountain m);  
};  
  
int main(int, char**) {  
    function_ref<void(Mountain)> fun(  
        nontype<&Class::operator()>,  
        object);  
}
```

Call this member function.

Function Objects

```
struct Class {  
    void operator()(Mountain m);  
    void operator()(int);  
};  
  
int main(int, char**) {  
    function_ref<void(Mountain)> fun(  
        nontype<&Class::operator()>,  
        object);  
}
```

Ambiguous.

Function Objects

```
struct Class {  
  
    template <typename T>  
    void operator()(T);  
};  
  
int main(int, char**) {  
    function_ref<void(Mountain)> fun(  
        nontype<&Class::operator()>,  
        object);  
}
```

Cannot deduce T.

Function Objects

```
struct Class {
```

Need pointer to member function that would be invoked.

```
};
```

```
int main(int, char**) {
    function_ref<void(Mountain)> fun(
        nontype<&Class::operator()>,
        object);
}
```

Matching Function Signatures

```
template <typename T>
void high_order_function(void (*fun)(T));
```

Matching Function Signatures

```
template <typename T>
void high_order_function(void (*fun)(T));
```

```
void normal_function(int);
```

Matching Function Signatures

```
template <typename T>
void high_order_function(void (*fun)(T));  
  
void normal_function(int);  
  
int main(int, char**) {  
    high_order_function(&normal_function);  
}
```

Unambiguous. Deduces $T = \text{int}$.

Matching Function Signatures

```
template <typename T>
void high_order_function(void (*fun)(T));
```

```
void normal_function(int);
void normal_function(long);
```

```
int main(int, char**) {
    high_order_function(&normal_function);
}
```

Matching Function Signatures

```
template <typename T>
void high_order_function(void (*fun)(T));
```

```
void normal_function(int);
void normal_function(long);
```

```
int main(int, char**) {
    high_order_function(&normal_function);
}
```

Ambiguous. Cannot deduce T.

Matching Function Signatures

Not a template.

```
void high_order_function(void (*fun)(int));
```

```
void normal_function(int);  
void normal_function(long);
```

```
int main(int, char**) {  
    high_order_function(&normal_function);  
}
```

Matching Function Signatures

```
void high_order_function(void (*fun)(int));
```

```
void normal_function(int);  
void normal_function(long);
```

```
int main(int, char**) {  
    high_order_function(&normal_function);  
}
```

Selects matching overload.

Matching Function Signatures

```
struct Class {  
    void operator()(Mountain);  
    void operator()(int);  
};  
  
int main(int, char**) {  
    Class object;  
  
    function_ref<void(Mountain)> fun(object);  
}
```

Not viable.

Matching Function Signatures

```
struct Class {
```

```
    void operator()(Mountain &&);
```

```
    void operator()(Mountain const&);
```

```
};
```

```
int main(int, char**) {
    Class object;
```

```
    function_ref<void(Mountain)> fun(object);
```

```
}
```

Best match.

Viable, not best match.

Matching Function Signatures

```
// function_ref // Class::operator()  
void(Arg) -> void(Arg)
```

Accept this signature.

Matching Function Signatures

```
// function_ref // Class::operator()  
void(Arg)      -> void(Arg)
```

void(Arg const&)

Accept this signature.

Matching Function Signatures

```
// function_ref // Class::operator()  
void(Arg) -> void(Arg) // 1 Prefer this.
```

```
void(Arg const&) // 2
```

Accept this signature.

Matching Function Signatures

```
// function_ref // Class::operator()  
void(Arg)      -> void(Arg)           // 1 Same rank.  
                  void(Arg&&)        // 1 Same rank.  
                  void(Arg const&)  // 2
```

Matching Function Signatures

```
// function_ref // Class::operator()  
void(Arg)      -> void(Arg)           // 1  
                  void(Arg&&)        // 1  
                  void(Arg const&)  // 2  
  
void(Arg&&)   -> void(Arg&&)       // 1
```

Matching Function Signatures

```
// function_ref // Class::operator()
void(Arg)      -> void(Arg)           // 1
                  void(Arg&&)        // 1
                  void(Arg const&)    // 2

void(Arg&&)   -> void(Arg&&)     // 1
                  void(Arg const&)  // 2
```

Matching Function Signatures

```
// function_ref // Class::operator()
void(Arg)      -> void(Arg)           // 1
                    void(Arg&&)        // 1
                    void(Arg const&)    // 2

void(Arg&&)   -> void(Arg&&)    // 1
                    void(Arg)           // 1
If move constructible. void(Arg const&) // 2
```

Matching Function Signatures

```
// function_ref // Class::operator()
void(Arg)      -> void(Arg)           // 1
                  void(Arg&&)        // 1
                  void(Arg const&)    // 2

void(Arg&&)   -> void(Arg&&)    // 1
                  void(Arg)           // 1
                  void(Arg const&)  // 2

void(Arg const&) -> void(Arg const&) // 1
```

Matching Function Signatures

```
// function_ref // Class::operator()
void(Arg)      -> void(Arg)           // 1
                    void(Arg&&)        // 1
                    void(Arg const&)    // 2

void(Arg&&)   -> void(Arg&&)     // 1
                    void(Arg)           // 1
                    void(Arg const&)    // 2

void(Arg const&) -> void(Arg const&) // 1
                    void(Arg)           // 2
```

If copy constructible.

Matching Function Signatures

```
void overloaded1(Mountain&&      );  
void overloaded1(Mountain const&);
```

Best match for Mountain value?

Matching Function Signatures

```
void overloaded1(Mountain&&      );
void overloaded1(Mountain const&);
```

Tag<true> inherits from Tag<false>.

```
void match_signature(void (*)(Mountain), Tag<true>);
void match_signature(void (*)(Mountain&&), Tag<true>);
void match_signature(void (*)(Mountain const&), Tag<false>);
```

Matching Function Signatures

```
void overloaded1(Mountain&&      );
void overloaded1(Mountain const&);
```

```
void match_signature(void (*)(Mountain), Tag<true>);
void match_signature(void (*)(Mountain&&), Tag<true>);
void match_signature(void (*)(Mountain const&), Tag<false>);

int main(int, char**) {
    match_signature(&overloaded1, Tag<true>{});
```

}

Matching Function Signatures

```
void overloaded1(Mountain&& ) ;  
void overloaded1(Mountain const&);
```

match_signature corresponds to best overloaded1.

```
void match_signature(void (*)(Mountain), Tag<true>);  
void match_signature(void (*)(Mountain&&), Tag<true>);  
void match_signature(void (*)(Mountain const&), Tag<false>);
```

```
int main(int, char**) {  
    match_signature(&overloaded1, Tag<true>{});  
}
```

Matching Function Signatures

```
void overloaded2(Mountain);  
void overloaded2(int);
```

```
void match_signature(void (*)(Mountain), Tag<true>);  
void match_signature(void (*)(Mountain&&), Tag<true>);  
void match_signature(void (*)(Mountain const&), Tag<false>);
```

```
int main(int, char**) {  
}
```

Matching Function Signatures

```
void overloaded2(Mountain);  
void overloaded2(int);
```

```
void match_signature(void (*)(Mountain), Tag<true>);  
void match_signature(void (*)(Mountain&&), Tag<true>);  
void match_signature(void (*)(Mountain const&), Tag<false>);
```

```
int main(int, char**) {  
    match_signature(&overloaded2, Tag<true>{});  
}
```

Matching Function Signatures

```
void overloaded2(Mountain);  
void overloaded2(int);
```

```
void match_signature(void (*)(Mountain), Tag<true>);  
void match_signature(void (*)(Mountain&&), Tag<true>);  
void match_signature(void (*)(Mountain const&), Tag<false>);  
  
int main(int, char**) {  
    match_signature(&overloaded2, Tag<true>{});  
}
```

Matching Function Signatures

```
auto ptr_to_mem_fun =
```

Matching Function Signatures

```
auto ptr_to_mem_fun =  
    MatchSignature<Args...>
```

Matching Function Signatures

```
auto ptr_to_mem_fun =  
    MatchSignature<Args...>::template match<R, Class>
```

Matching Function Signatures

```
auto ptr_to_mem_fun =  
    MatchSignature<Args...>::template match<R, Class>(  
        &Class::operator(), Tag_v<Args>...);
```

Selects best overload.

Matching Function Signatures

```
template <typename T>
inline constexpr Tag<true> Tag_v{};
```

```
auto ptr_to_mem_fun =
    MatchSignature<Args...>::template match<R, Class>(
        &Class::operator(), Tag_v<Args>...);
```

Prefer better match.

Matching Function Signatures

```
template <typename T>
inline constexpr Tag<true> Tag_v{};
```

```
auto ptr_to_mem_fun =
    MatchSignature<Args...>::template match<R, Class>(
        &Class::operator(), Tag_v<Args>...);
```

```
template <typename... Args>
using MatchSignature =
    MatchSignatureImpl<TypeList<Args...>>;
```

Matching Function Signatures

struct MatchSignatureImpl

Matching Function Signatures

```
template <  
    typename First,  
    typename... Rest
```

```
struct MatchSignatureImpl<  
    TypeList<First, Rest...>
```

Examine arguments one at a time.

Matching Function Signatures

```
template <
    typename First,
    typename... Rest,
    typename... Accum>
struct MatchSignatureImpl<
    TypeList<First, Rest...>, TypeList<Accum...>>
```

Accumulate results of examining each argument.

Matching Function Signatures

```
template <
    typename First,
    typename... Rest,
    typename... Accum>
struct MatchSignatureImpl<
    TypeList<First, Rest...>, TypeList<Accum...>>
: MatchSignatureImpl</* ... */>
, MatchSignatureImpl</* ... */>
, MatchSignatureImpl</* ... */> {};
```

Recurse until all arguments examined.

Matching Function Signatures

```
template // ...
struct MatchSignatureImpl<
    TypeList<First const&, Rest...>, TypeList<Accum...>>
```

Specialize for const&.

Matching Function Signatures

```
template // ...
struct MatchSignatureImpl<
    TypeList<First const&, Rest...>, TypeList<Accum...>>
: MatchSignatureImpl<
    TypeList<Rest...>
```

Remove first argument.

Matching Function Signatures

```
template // ...
struct MatchSignatureImpl<
    TypeList<First const&, Rest...>, TypeList<Accum...>>
: MatchSignatureImpl<
    TypeList<Rest...>,
    TypeList<
        Accum...,
        Tagged<First const&, true>>> {};
```

Corresponding argument in match.

Matching Function Signatures

```
template // ...
requires convertible_from<First, First const&>
struct MatchSignatureImpl<
    TypeList<First const&, Rest...>, TypeList<Accum...>>
```

Specialize when First is copyable.

Matching Function Signatures

```
template // ...
requires convertible_from<First, First const&>
struct MatchSignatureImpl<
    TypeList<First const&, Rest...>, TypeList<Accum...>>
: MatchSignatureImpl<
    TypeList<Rest...>,
    TypeList<Accum..., Tagged<First const&, true>>>
```

Matching Function Signatures

```
template // ...
requires convertible_from<First, First const&>
struct MatchSignatureImpl<
    TypeList<First const&, Rest...>, TypeList<Accum...>>
: MatchSignatureImpl<
    TypeList<Rest...>,
    TypeList<Accum..., Tagged<First const&, true>>>
, MatchSignatureImpl<
    TypeList<Rest...>,
    TypeList<Accum..., Tagged<First, false>>> {};
```

Corresponding argument can be a value.
Worse match than const&.

Matching Function Signatures

```
template // ...
struct MatchSignatureImpl<
    TypeList<>, TypeList<Tagged<Args, Tags>...> {
    All arguments examined.
};

}
```

Matching Function Signatures

```
template // ...
struct MatchSignatureImpl<
    TypeList<>, TypeList<Tagged<Args, Tags>...> {
    template <typename R, typename Class>
    static constexpr auto match
};

};
```

Matching Function Signatures

```
template // ...
struct MatchSignatureImpl<
    TypeList<>, TypeList<Tagged<Args, Tags>...> {
    template <typename R, typename Class>
    static constexpr auto match(
        R (Class::*mem_fun)(Args...))
    };
```

Matched function pointer.

Matching Function Signatures

```
template // ...
struct MatchSignatureImpl<
    TypeList<>, TypeList<Tagged<Args, Tags>...> {

    template <typename R, typename Class>
    static constexpr auto match(
        R (Class::*mem_fun)(Args...),
        Tag<Tags>...)
};

};
```

Matching Function Signatures

```
template // ...
struct MatchSignatureImpl<
    TypeList<>, TypeList<Tagged<Args, Tags>...> {

    template <typename R, typename Class>
    static constexpr auto match(
        R (Class::*mem_fun)(Args...),
        Tag<Tags>...) {
        return mem_fun;
    }
}
```

We have the correct overload address.

```
};
```

Matching Function Signatures

```
template <typename Class, typename... Args>
using invoke_result_t =
```

Customized `invoke_result_t`. Differs from
`std::invoke_result_t`.

Matching Function Signatures

```
template <typename Class, typename... Args>
using invoke_result_t = decltype(
    std::declval<Class&>())
```

Invoke a reference to Class.

Matching Function Signatures

```
template <typename Class, typename... Args>
using invoke_result_t = decltype(
    std::declval<Class&>()
        std::declval<Args(&)()>()()...));
```

Pass it Args values.

Matching Function Signatures

```
template <typename Class, typename... Args>
constexpr auto match_signature()
```

Returns pointer to best overload of operator().

Matching Function Signatures

```
template <typename Class, typename... Args>
constexpr auto match_signature()
-> decltype(MatchSignature<Args...>::template match
```

Matching Function Signatures

```
template <typename Class, typename... Args>
constexpr auto match_signature()
    -> decltype(MatchSignature<Args...>::template match<
        invoke_result_t<Class, Args...>
```

Must explicitly specify return type.

Matching Function Signatures

```
template <typename Class, typename... Args>
constexpr auto match_signature()
    -> decltype(MatchSignature<Args...>::template match<
        invoke_result_t<Class, Args...>, Class>
```

Must explicitly specify class type.

Matching Function Signatures

```
template <typename Class, typename... Args>
constexpr auto match_signature()
    -> decltype(MatchSignature<Args...>::template match<
        invoke_result_t<Class, Args...>, Class>(
            &Class::operator())
```

Matching Function Signatures

```
template <typename Class, typename... Args>
constexpr auto match_signature()
    -> decltype(MatchSignature<Args...>::template match<
        invoke_result_t<Class, Args...>, Class>(
            &Class::operator(),
            Tag_v<Args>...))
```

Matching Function Signatures

```
template <typename Class, typename... Args>
constexpr auto match_signature()
    -> decltype(MatchSignature<Args...>::template match<
        invoke_result_t<Class, Args...>, Class>(
            &Class::operator(),
            Tag_v<Args>...)) {
    return MatchSignature<Args...>::template match<
        invoke_result_t<Class, Args...>, Class>(
            &Class::operator(),
            Tag_v<Args>...);
}
```

Function Objects

```
template <typename R, typename... Args>
class function_ref<R(Args...)> {
    template <typename Class>
        function_ref(Class& obj);
};
```

Function Objects

```
template <typename R, typename... Args>
class function_ref<R(Args...)> {
    template <typename Class>
    requires
        convertible_from<R, invoke_result_t<Class, Args...>>
```

Convert from whatever Class returns to R.

```
function_ref(Class& obj);
};
```

Function Objects

```
template <typename R, typename... Args>
class function_ref<R(Args...)> {
    template <typename Class>
    requires
        convertible_from<R, invoke_result_t<Class, Args...>>
    && requires() {
        match_signature<Class, Args...>();
    }
    function_ref(Class& obj);
};
```

match_signature() can find the best overload.

Function Objects

```
template <typename R, typename... Args>
class function_ref<R(Args...) {  
  
    template // ...  
    function_ref(Class& obj)  
  
};
```

Function Objects

```
template <typename R, typename... Args>
class function_ref<R(Args...) {  
  
    template // ...  
    function_ref(Class& obj) : function_ref  
  
        Delegate to another constructor.  
  
};
```

Function Objects

```
template <typename R, typename... Args>
class function_ref<R(Args...) {  
  
    template // ...  
    function_ref(Class& obj) : function_ref(  
        nontype<match_signature<Class, Args...>()>  
  
        Address of best overload.  
    };
```

Function Objects

```
template <typename R, typename... Args>
class function_ref<R(Args...) {  
  
    template // ...  
    function_ref(Class& obj) : function_ref(  
        nontype<match_signature<Class, Args...>(),  
        obj) {}  
  
};
```

Function Objects

```
int main(int, char**) {  
    auto lambda = [](Mountain m) { m.climb(); }  
}  
}
```

Function Objects

```
int main(int, char**) {  
    auto lambda = [](Mountain m) { m.climb(); };  
  
    By value.  
  
}
```

Function Objects

```
int main(int, char**) {  
    auto lambda = [](Mountain m) { m.climb(); };  
  
    function_ref<void(Mountain)> fun(lambda);  
}  
}
```

Function Objects

```
int main(int, char**) {  
    auto lambda = [](Mountain m) { m.climb(); };  
  
    function_ref<void(Mountain)> fun(lambda);  
  
    fun(Mountain("Aconcagua"));  
}
```

Thank You



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