

How I Code and Why



C++ Now! 2012 Talk by Jon Kalb

Catch Bugs at Compile time

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Advice

- Put these (or other appropriate) tests right into your release code:

```
struct A
{
    std::string s_;
    std::vector<int> v_;
    A(const A&) = default;
};
```

```
// Howard says put these tests in! Or else!!!
static_assert(std::is_nothrow_default_constructible<A>::value, "");
static_assert(std::is_copy_constructible<A>::value, "");
static_assert(std::is_copy_assignable<A>::value, "");
static_assert(std::is_nothrow_move_constructible<A>::value, "");
static_assert(std::is_nothrow_move_assignable<A>::value, "");
static_assert(std::is_nothrow_destructible<A>::value, "");
```

The Swapperator

```
#include "esc.hpp"
```

```
struct MyType...
```

```
{
```

```
...
```

```
void AnyMember() {esc::check_swap(this); ...}
```

```
...
```

```
}
```

The Swapperator

```
template <typename T> void check_swap(T* const t = 0)
{
    static_assert(noexcept(delete t), "msg...");
    static_assert(noexcept(T(std::move(*t))), "msg...");
    static_assert(noexcept(*t = std::move(*t)), "msg...");
    using std::swap;
    static_assert(noexcept(swap(*t, *t)), "msg...");
}
```

The Swapperator

```
template <typename T> void check_swap(T* const t = 0)
{
    ...

    static_assert(
        std::is_nothrow_move_constructible<T>::value, "msg...");
    static_assert(
        std::is_nothrow_move_assignable<T>::value, "msg...");
    ...
}
```

boost::check_decl

- Just invented last night
- Both interface and implementation are “soft”
 - Please share your ideas and comments

Using `check_decl`

```
struct empty_t  
{  
private: void attributes_() {check_decl(this);}  
};
```

Using check_decl

```
struct movable_t
{
    movable_t(movable_t&&) = default;
    movable_t& operator=(movable_t&&) = default;
    movable_t(movable_t const&) = delete;
    movable_t& operator=(movable_t const&) = delete;
private:
    void attributes_()
    {check_decl<attribute(movable | not_copyable)>(this);};
};
```

check_decl

```
enum attribute
{
    minimal,
    copyable,
    movable = 2,
    swappable = 6,
    default_ctor = 8,
    all = 15,
    not_copyable = 16,
    not_movable = 32,
    singleton = 48
};
```

check_decl

```
template <attribute a = all, typename T>
void check_decl(T* const t = nullptr)
{
    static_assert(std::is_nothrow_destructible<T>::value, "");

    static_assert((not (copyable & a)) or
                  std::is_copy_constructible<T>::value, "");
    static_assert((not (copyable & a)) or
                  std::is_copy_assignable<T>::value, "");
}
```

check_decl (cont.)

```
static_assert((not (movable & a)) or  
              std::is_nothrow_move_constructible<T>::value, "");  
static_assert((not (movable & a)) or  
              std::is_nothrow_move_assignable<T>::value, "");  
static_assert((not (default_ctor & a)) or  
              std::is_nothrow_default_constructible<T>::value, "");  
static_assert((not (not_copyable & a)) or  
              (not std::is_copy_constructible<T>::value), "");
```

check_decl (cont.)

```
static_assert((not (not_copyable & a)) or  
              (not std::is_copy_assignable<T>::value), "");  
static_assert((not (not_movable & a)) or  
              (not std::is_move_constructible<T>::value), "");  
static_assert((not (not_movable & a)) or  
              (not std::is_move_assignable<T>::value), "");  
static_assert((not (swappable & a)) or  
              detail_::is_nothrow_swappable_<T>::value, "");  
}
```

Using check_decl

```
check_decl<all, std::string>();  
check_decl<all, std::vector<std::string>>>();
```

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- C++11 is the language for this