Immutability FTW!

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(I told you so...)

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PROGRAMMING

You're Doing It Completely Wrong.

Change is the only constant.

Heraclitus

You cannot step twice into the same river.

Heraclitus

Time is like a river, but frozen not flowing. Eddies, pools and falls are fixed in place, timeless and immutable.

Kevlin Henney

"Remembrance of Things Past" http://www.spec-fiction.ca/remembrance-of-things-past/ When it is not necessary to change, it is necessary not to change.

Lucius Cary





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public class Ellipse

private double semiMajor, semiMinor; public Ellipse(double a, double b) ... public double semiMajorAxis() ... public double semiMinorAxis() ... public void semiMajorAxis(double a) ... public void semiMinorAxis(double b) ...

```
public class Circle extends Ellipse
{
    public Circle(double r) ...
    public double radius() ...
    public void radius(double r) ...
    ...
```

public class Ellipse

}

```
public void semiMajorAxis(double a) ...
public void semiMinorAxis(double b) ...
```

```
public class Circle extends Ellipse
```

```
@Override
public void semiMajorAxis(double a)
```

```
throw new UnsupportedOperationException();
}
@Override
public void semiMinorAxis(double b) ...
```

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We are so confident that we understand the mathematical concepts behind circles and ellipses that we have not bothered to ask any more questions of that domain.

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In the case of circles and ellipses, the circle is simply an ellipse with specialised invariants. There is no additional state and none of the members of an ellipse need overriding as they apply equally well to a circle.

```
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```

{

}

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```
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    public double radius() ...
    ...
}
```



```
public interface Ellipse
{
    double semiMajorAxis();
    double semiMinorAxis();
    ...
}
```

```
public interface Circle extends Ellipse
{
    double radius();
    ...
}
```

```
public class ??? implements Ellipse
{
    private double semiMajorAxis, semiMinorAxis;
}
public class ??? implements Circle
{
    private double radius;
```

}

public class ??? implements Ellipse

[...]

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The Naming of Cats is a difficult matter, It isn't just one of your holiday games; You may think at first I'm as mad as a hatter When I tell you, a cat must have THREE DIFFERENT NAMES. [...] But above and beyond there's still one name left over, And that is the name that you never will guess; The name that no human research can discover—

But THE CAT HIMSELF KNOWS, and will never confess.

T S Eliot

public class Ellipse

{

}

private double semiMajor, semiMinor; public Ellipse(double a, double b) ... public double semiMajorAxis() ... public double semiMinorAxis() ...

```
public class Circle
{
    private double radius;
    public Circle(double r) ...
    public double radius() ...
    public Ellipse toEllipse() ...
    ...
```

public class Ellipse

{

}

private double semiMajor, semiMinor; public Ellipse(double a, double b) ... public double semiMajorAxis() ... public double semiMinorAxis() ... public boolean isCircle() ...



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Individual: An individual is a phenomenon that can be named and is distinct from every other individual: for example, the number 17, George III, or Deep Blue's first move against Kasparov.

Value: A value is an intangible individual that exists outside time and space, and is not subject to change.



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Immutable Value

References to value objects are commonly distributed and stored in fields. However, state changes to a value caused by one object can have unexpected and unwanted sideeffects for any other object sharing the same value instance. Copying the value can reduce the synchronization overhead, but can also incur object creation overhead.

Therefore:

Define a value object type whose instances are immutable. The internal state of a value object is set at construction and no subsequent modifications are allowed.

```
public class Date implements ...
{
    ...
    public int getYear() ...
    public int getMonth() ...
    public int getDayInMonth() ...
    public void setYear(int newYear) ...
    public void setMonth(int newMonth) ...
    public void setDayInMonth(int newDayInMonth) ...
}
```

```
public class Date implements ...
ł
    public int getYear() ...
    public int getMonth() ...
    public int getWeekInYear() ...
    public int getDayInYear() ...
    public int getDayInMonth() ...
    public int getDayInWeek() ...
    public void setYear(int newYear) ...
    public void setMonth(int newMonth) ...
    public void setWeekInYear(int newWeek) ...
```

public void setDayInYear(int newDayInYear) ...

public void setDayInMonth(int newDayInMonth) ...

public void setDayInWeek(int newDayInWeek) ...

• • •

```
public final class Date implements ...
{
    public int getYear() ...
    public int getMonth() ...
    public int getWeekInYear() ...
    public int getDayInYear() ...
    public int getDayInMonth() ...
    public int getDayInWeek() ...
```
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reset, n. ²		
reset, v.1	(riːˈsɛt)	IIII
reset, v. ²	Also re-set	
resetment	Also re set.	
resettable, a.	[RE- 5 a.]	
resetter		
resettle, v.	trans. To set again, in various senses of the verb.	
resettlement	1 a To replace (esp. gems) in a (former or new) setting	
reseve	1 1 u ro replace (esp. genis) in a (former of new) setting.	
resew, v.	1655 FULLER Ch. Hist. v. iv. §7 Elizabeth,finding so fair a	
resew, reseyve	flowerfallen out of her Crown, was careful quickly to gather it up	
reseyt	again, and get it re-sett therein. 1684 R. WALLER Nat. Exper. Pref.,	8 - C
resgat 📳	till they are again reset in their proper places 1830 Lytron P	
resh	Clifford xix, A stray trinket or two—not of sufficient worth to be re-	
reshape, v.	set. 1883 HALDANE Worksh. Rec. Ser. II. 371/2 The hair can be aga	in
reshaper	reset as firmly as it was before [etc.].	
reshare, v.	h Curre To got (a broken limb) again	
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unset, v. unset, ppl. a. unsete, a. unsett unsetting, ppl. a. unsettleable, a. unsettledness unsettledness unsettlement unsettling, vbl. n unsety, a. unseven, v. unsever, v. unsever, v. unseverable, a. unsevered, ppl. i	 un'set, v. [UN-² 3, 7. Cf. OE. <i>unsettan</i> (once), to take down.] 1. <i>trans</i>. To put out of place or position; to undo the setting of. 1602 MARSTON Ant. & Mel. III. Wks. 1856 I. 37 O, you spoyle my ruffe, unset my haire. 1611 CorcR., Desplanter,to vnplant, vnset remoue. 1761 GRAY Lett. (1900) II. 204 The man was sent for: he unset it; it was a paste not worth 40 shillings. 1775 MRs. DELANY in Life & Corr. Ser. II. (1862) II. 105 There is some hazard in unsetting enamel for fear of chipping the edges. 1836 MARRYAT Midsh. Easy xxxii, How could he put the young men to fresh tortures by removing splints and unsetting limbs? 1884 Law Times 1 Nov. 8/3 On the morning in question Dawson had unset the gun. 2. <i>intr</i>. To get out of place or position. 1703 THORESBY Let. to Ray, Spelk, a wooden splinter tied on, to keep a broken bone from bending or unsetting again.

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Copied Value

Value objects are commonly distributed and stored in fields. If value objects are shared between threads, however, state changes caused by one object to a value can have unexpected and unwanted side effects for any other object sharing the same value instance. In a multithreaded environment shared state must be synchronized between threads, but this introduces costly overhead for frequent access.

Therefore:

Douglas C. Schmi

Define a value object type whose instances are copyable. When a value is used in communication with another thread, ensure that the value is copied.

```
class date
public:
    date(int year, int month, int day in month);
    date(const date &);
    date & operator=(const date &);
    • • •
    int year() const;
    int month() const;
    int day in month() const;
    • • •
    void year(int);
    void month(int);
    void day in month(int);
    • • •
```

};

```
class date
public:
    date(int year, int month, int day in month);
    date(const date &);
    date & operator=(const date &);
    int year() const;
    int month() const;
    int day in month() const;
    void set(int year, int month, int day in month);
    • • •
};
```

today.set(2014, 4, 11);

```
class date
{
public:
    date(int year, int month, int day_in_month);
    date(const date &);
    date & operator=(const date &);
    int year() const;
    int month() const;
    int day_in_month() const;
    ...
};
```

today = date(2014, 4, 11);



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Referential transparency is a very desirable property: it implies that functions consistently yield the same results given the same input, irrespective of where and when they are invoked. That is, function evaluation depends less-ideally, not at all-on the side effects of mutable state. 97件事

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Apply Functional Programming Principles"

Edward Garson

A book is simply the container of an idea like a bottle; what is inside the book is what matters.

Angela Carter

// "FTL" (Functional Template Library)
// container style

```
template<typename ValueType>
class container
{
public:
    typedef const ValueType value type;
    typedef ... iterator;
    bool empty() const;
    std::size_t size() const;
    iterator begin() const;
    iterator end() const;
    container & operator=(const container &);
    . . .
```

```
template<typename ValueType>
                                 set<int> c = { 2, 9, 9, 7, 9, 2, 4, 5, 8 };
class set
Ł
public:
    typedef const ValueType * iterator;
    . . .
    set(std::initializer list<ValueType> values);
    . . .
    bool empty() const;
    std::size t size() const;
    iterator begin() const;
    iterator end() const;
    iterator find(const ValueType &) const;
    std::size t count(const ValueType &) const;
    iterator lower bound(const ValueType &) const;
    iterator upper bound(const ValueType &) const;
    pair<iterator, iterator> equal range(const ValueType &) const;
    . . .
private:
    ValueType * members;
    std::size t cardinality;
};
```

```
template<typename ValueType>
                               array<int> c = { 2, 9, 9, 7, 9, 2, 4, 5, 8 };
class array
{
public:
    typedef const ValueType * iterator;
    . . .
    array(std::initializer list<ValueType> values);
    . . .
    bool empty() const;
    std::size t size() const;
    iterator begin() const;
    iterator end() const;
    const ValueType & operator[](std::size t) const;
    const ValueType & front() const;
    const ValueType & back() const;
    const ValueType * data() const;
private:
    ValueType * elements;
    std::size t length;
};
```

```
template<typename ValueType>
class vector
{
public:
    typedef const ValueType * iterator;
    . . .
    bool empty() const;
    std::size t size() const;
    iterator begin() const;
    iterator end() const;
    const ValueType & operator[](std::size_t) const;
    const ValueType & front() const;
    const ValueType & back() const;
    const ValueType * data() const;
    vector popped front() const;
    vector popped back() const;
    . . .
private:
    ValueType * anchor;
    iterator from, until;
};
```

In computing, a persistent data structure is a data structure that always preserves the previous version of itself when it is modified. Such data structures are effectively immutable, as their operations do not (visibly) update the structure in-place, but instead always yield a new updated structure.

(A persistent data structure is not a data structure committed to persistent storage, such as a disk; this is a different and unrelated sense of the word "persistent.")

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Persistent_data_structure

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    iterator end() const;
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    const ValueType & front() const;
    const ValueType & back() const;
    const ValueType * data() const;
    vector popped front() const;
    vector popped back() const;
    void pop front();
    void pop back();
private:
    ValueType * anchor;
    iterator from, until;
};
```

LISP 1.5 Programmer's Manual

The Computation Center and Research Laboratory of Electronics

Massachusetts Institute of Technology





I still have a deep fondness for the Lisp model. It is simple, elegant, and something with which all developers should have an infatuation at least once in their programming life.

> Kevlin Henney "A Fair Share (Part I)", *CUJ C++ Experts Forum*, October 2002



```
template<typename ValueType>
class list
{
public:
    class iterator;
    . . .
    std::size t size() const;
    iterator begin() const;
    iterator end() const;
    const ValueType & front() const;
    list popped front() const;
    list pushed front() const;
    void pop front();
    void push front(const ValueType &);
    . . .
private:
    struct link
    {
        link(const ValueType & value, link * next);
        ValueType value;
        link * next;
    };
    link * head;
    std::size t length;
};
```

Hamlet: Yea, from the table of my memory I'll wipe away all trivial fond records.

William Shakespeare The Tragedy of Hamlet [Act I, Scene 5] Garbage collection [...] is optional in C++; that is, a garbage collector is not a compulsory part of an implementation.

> Bjarne Stroustrup http://stroustrup.com/C++11FAQ.html

assert(
 std::get_pointer_safety() ==
 std::pointer_safety::strict);

```
public interface RecentlyUsedList
{
    static final RecentlyUsedList nil = new Null();
    boolean isEmpty();
    int size();
    String get(int index);
    RecentlyUsedList add(String newItem);
    RecentlyUsedList remove(String toRemove);
}
```

```
RecentlyUsedList list =
    nil.add("Alice").add("Bob").add("Alice");
assert list.size() == 2;
assert list.get(0).equals("Alice");
assert list.get(1).equals("Bob");
```

Ophelia: 'Tis in my memory locked, and you yourself shall keep the key of it.

William Shakespeare The Tragedy of Hamlet [Act I, Scene 3] A use-counted class is more complicated than a non-usecounted equivalent, and all of this horsing around with use counts takes a significant amount of processing time.

> Robert Murray C++ Strategies and Tactics

```
template<typename ValueType>
class vector
public:
    typedef const ValueType * iterator;
    bool empty() const;
    std::size t size() const;
    iterator begin() const;
    iterator end() const;
    const ValueType & operator[](std::size_t) const;
    const ValueType & front() const;
    const ValueType & back() const;
    const ValueType * data() const;
    vector popped front() const;
                                     Uses std::default_delete<ValueType[]>, but
    vector popped back() const;
                                     cannot be initialised from std::make_shared.
    void pop front();
    void pop back();
    . . .
private:
    std::shared ptr<ValueType> anchor;
    iterator from, until;
};
```

template<typename CharType> class string;

template<typename CharType>
class string<const CharType>;

"Distinctly Qualified", CUJ C++ Experts Forum, May 2001

template<typename CharType>
class string;

```
template<typename ValueType>
class list
{
public:
    class iterator;
    . . .
    std::size t size() const;
    iterator begin() const;
    iterator end() const;
    const ValueType & front() const;
    list popped front() const;
    list pushed front() const;
    void pop front();
    void push front(const ValueType &);
    . . .
private:
    struct link
    {
        link(const ValueType & value, std::shared ptr<link> next);
        ValueType value;
        std::shared ptr<link> next;
    };
    std::shared ptr<link> head;
    std::size t length;
};
```

list<Anything> chain; std::fill_n(std::front_inserter(chain), how_many, something);

On destruction, deletion of links is recursive through each link, causing the stack to blow up for surprisingly small values of how_many.

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Algorithms + Data Structures = Programs

Niklaus Wirth



paraskevidekatriaphobia, noun

- The superstitious fear of Friday 13th.
- Contrary to popular myth, this superstition is relatively recent (19th century) and did not originate during or before the medieval times.
- Paraskevidekatriaphobia (or friggatriskaidekaphobia) also reflects a particularly egocentric attributional bias: the universe is prepared to rearrange causality and probability around the believer based on an arbitrary and changeable calendar system, in a way that is sensitive to geography, culture and time zone.
```
struct tm next_friday_13th(const struct tm * after)
{
```

```
struct tm next = *after;
enum { daily secs = 24 * 60 * 60 };
time t seconds =
    mktime(&next) +
    (next.tm mday == 13 ? daily secs : 0);
do
{
    seconds += daily secs;
    next = *localtime(&seconds);
}
while(next.tm mday != 13 || next.tm wday != 5);
return next;
```

```
std::find_if(
    ++begin, day_iterator(),
    [](const std::tm & day)
    {
        return day.tm_mday == 13 && day.tm_wday == 5;
    });
```

```
class day iterator : public std::iterator<...>
{
public:
    day iterator() ...
    explicit day_iterator(const std::tm & start) ...
    const std::tm & operator*() const
    ł
        return day;
    const std::tm * operator->() const
        return &day;
    }
    day iterator & operator++()
    ť
        std::time t seconds = std::mktime(&day) + 24 * 60 * 60;
        day = *std::localtime(&seconds);
        return *this;
    }
    day iterator operator++(int) ...
    ...
};
```

```
var friday13ths =
  from day in Days.After(start)
  where day.Day == 13
  where day.Day0fWeek == Day0fWeek.Friday
  select day;
```

```
foreach(var irrationalBelief in friday13ths)
{
    ...
}
```

```
public class Days : IEnumerable<DateTime>
    public static Days After(DateTime startDay)
        return new Days(startDay.AddDays(1));
    }
    public IEnumerator<DateTime> GetEnumerator()
    ί.
        for(var next = startDay;; next = next.AddDays(1))
            yield return next;
    }
    private DateTime startDay;
}
```

Iterator

Clients often want to traverse elements that are encapsulated within an aggregate, such as the elements maintained by a collection. Clients may not wish, however, to depend on the aggregate's internal structure to access components of interest.

Therefore:

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Objectify the strategy to access and traverse the components maintained by the aggregate into a separate iterator component. Let this iterator be the only means for clients to access the component.

Enumeration Method

Some types of aggregate [...] have representations that do not conveniently support Iterator-based traversal. Similarly, using an Iterator approach to access the elements of an aggregate that is shared between threads can incur unnecessary overhead from repeated locking. Therefore:

Bring the iteration inside the aggregate and encapsulate it in a single enumeration method that is responsible for complete traversal. Pass the task of the loop—the action to be executed on each element of the aggregate—as an argument to the enumeration method, and apply it to each element in turn.

Lifecycle Callback

The lifecycle of some objects is simple: their clients create them before they are used, they stay alive as long as they are used, and they are disposed of by their clients when no longer used. However, some objects have a much more complex lifecycle, driven by the needs and events of their component environment. Therefore:

Define key lifecycle events as callbacks in an interface that is supported by framework objects. The framework uses the callbacks to control the objects' lifecycle explicitly.

```
public interface IObservable<out T>
{
    IDisposable Subscribe(IObserver<T> observer);
}
public interface IObserver<in T>
{
    void OnCompleted();
    void OnError(Exception error);
```

```
void OnNext(T value);
```

}

```
IDisposable subscription =
   source.Subscribe(
    value => handle element,
    error => handle exception,
    () => handle completion);
```

Observer

Consumer objects sometimes depend on the state of, or data maintained by, another provider object. If the state of the provider object changes without notice, however, the state of the dependent consumer objects can become inconsistent.

Therefore:

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Define a change-propagation mechanism in which the provider—known as the 'subject'—notifies registered consumers—known as the 'observers'—whenever its state changes, so that the notified observers can perform whatever actions they deem necessary. void run(const function tests[], const char * label, listener & sink);

```
// precondition: tests is a non-null null-terminated array
// execution:
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// (test executed ->
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// sink.assertion_failed(...) |
// sink.exception_thrown(...)))
// sink.after_test(...)) ->
// sink.finish_testing(label)
```

void run(const function tests[], const char * label, listener & sink);

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C. A.R. Hoare **Communicating Sequential Processes**

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Some people, when confronted with a problem, think, "I know, I'll use threads," and then two they hav erpoblesms.

Ned Batchelder https://twitter.com/#!/nedbat/status/194873829825327104

Shared memory is like a canvas where threads collaborate in painting images, except that they stand on the opposite sides of the canvas and use guns rather than brushes. The only way they can avoid killing each other is if they shout "duck!" before opening fire.

> Bartosz Milewski "Functional Data Structures and Concurrency in C++" http://bartoszmilewski.com/2013/12/10/functional-data-structures-and-concurrency-in-c/



Instead of using threads and shared memory as our programming model, we can use processes and message passing. Process here just means a protected independent state with executing code, not necessarily an operating system process.

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OOP to me means only messaging, local retention and protection and hiding of state-process, and extreme late-binding of all things. It can be done in Smalltalk and in LISP. There are possibly other

systems in which this is possible, but I'm not aware of them.

Alan Kay

Languages such as Erlang (and occam before it) have shown that processes are a very successful mechanism for programming concurrent and parallel systems. Such systems do not have all the synchronization stresses that shared-memory, multithreaded systems have.

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Multithreading is just one damn thing after, before, or simultaneous with another.

Andrei Alexandrescu

Actor-based concurrency is just one damn message after another.



Concatenative programming is so called because **it uses function** *composition* **instead of function** *application*—a non-concatenative language is thus called *applicative*.

> Jon Purdy http://evincarofautumn.blogspot.in/2012/02/ why-concatenative-programming-matters.html



 $(f \circ g \circ h)(x)$





$h \mid g \mid f$

This is the basic reason Unix pipes are so powerful: they form a rudimentary string-based concatenative programming language.

> Jon Purdy http://evincarofautumn.blogspot.in/2012/02/ why-concatenative-programming-matters.html

10 Summery--what's most Important To put my strongest concerns in a nutabell: 1. We should have some ways of coupling programs bike garden hose-screw in another segment when it becomes when it becomes necessary to massage data in eacher way. ÷. Shis is the way of 10 also. 2. Our loader should be able to do link-loading and controlled establishment. 3. Our library filing scheme should allow for rather general indexing, responsibility, generations, data path ewitching. 4. It should be possible th get private system components (all routines are sytem components) for buggering around with. M. D. McIlroy Oct. 11#1964

Pipes and Filters

Some applications process streams of data: input data streams are transformed stepwise into output data streams. However, using common and familiar request/response semantics for structuring such types of application is typically impractical. Instead we must specify an appropriate data flow model for them. Therefore:

Divide the application's task into several self-contained data processing steps and connect these steps to a data processing pipeline via intermediate data buffers.


function GetNextFriday13th(\$from) {
[DateTime[]] \$friday13ths =
 (1..500) |
 %{ \$from.AddDays(\$_) } |
 %{ \$from.AddDays(\$_) } |
 ?{ \$_.Day -eq 13} |
 ?{ \$_.Day0fWeek -eq [Day0fWeek]::Friday }
 return \$friday13ths[0]

}

[DateTime[][]] \$inputsWithExpectations =

```
$inputsWithExpectations | ?{
[String] $actual = GetNextFriday13th($_[0])
[String] $expected = $_[1]
$actual -ne $expected
```

}

Everything flows, nothing stands still.

Heraclitus







Queens of the Stone Age