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- Addition of the `sample` algorithm.
  - Addition of new random-number generation facilities, and algorithms which use them.
  - Addition of algorithms for uniform container erasure.
  - Addition of function template `not_fn`.
  - Addition of logical operator type traits `conjunction`, `disjunction`, and `negation`.
  - Addition of templates to support the "detection idiom".
  - Addition of the `propagate_const` class template.
  - Addition of the `observer_ptr` class template.
  - Addition of the `make_array` and `to_array` function templates.
  - Addition of the `ostream_joiner` class template.
  - Addition of the `gcd` and `lcm` algorithms.
  - Addition of the `source_location` struct.
  - Changes to the return types of search algorithms.
  - Moving all libraries to the inline namespace `fundamentals_v2`.
  - Miscellaneous defect resolutions.

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# 1 General

**[general]**

## 1.1 Scope

**[general.scope]**

- <sup>1</sup> This technical specification describes extensions to the C++ Standard Library (1.2). These extensions are classes and functions that are likely to be used widely within a program and/or on the interface boundaries between libraries written by different organizations.
- <sup>2</sup> This technical specification is non-normative. Some of the library components in this technical specification may be considered for standardization in a future version of C++, but they are not currently part of any C++ standard. Some of the components in this technical specification may never be standardized, and others may be standardized in a substantially changed form.
- <sup>3</sup> The goal of this technical specification is to build more widespread existing practice for an expanded C++ standard library. It gives advice on extensions to those vendors who wish to provide them.

## 1.2 Normative references

**[general.references]**

- <sup>1</sup> The following referenced document is indispensable for the application of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.
  - ISO/IEC 14882:2014, *Programming Language — C++*
- <sup>2</sup> ISO/IEC 14882:2014 is herein called the *C++ Standard*. References to clauses within the C++ Standard are written as "C++14 §3.2". The library described in ISO/IEC 14882:2014 clauses 17–30 is herein called the *C++ Standard Library*.
- <sup>3</sup> Unless otherwise specified, the whole of the C++ Standard's Library introduction (C++14 §17) is included into this Technical Specification by reference.

## 1.3 Namespaces, headers, and modifications to standard classes

**[general.namespaces]**

- <sup>1</sup> Since the extensions described in this technical specification are experimental and not part of the C++ standard library, they should not be declared directly within namespace `std`. Unless otherwise specified, all components described in this technical specification either:
  - modify an existing interface in the C++ Standard Library in-place,
  - are declared in a namespace whose name appends `::experimental::fundamentals_v2` to a namespace defined in the C++ Standard Library, such as `std` or `std::chrono`, or
  - are declared in a subnamespace of a namespace described in the previous bullet, whose name is not the same as an existing subnamespace of namespace `std`.

[ *Example:* This TS does not define `std::experimental::fundamentals_v2::chrono` because the C++ Standard Library defines `std::chrono`. This TS does not define `std::pmr::experimental::fundamentals_v2` because the C++ Standard Library does not define `std::pmr`. — *end example* ]

- <sup>2</sup> Each header described in this technical specification shall import the contents of `std::experimental::fundamentals_v2` into `std::experimental` as if by

```
namespace std {
  namespace experimental {
    inline namespace fundamentals_v2 {}
  }
}
```

```

}
}

```

- 3 This technical specification also describes some experimental modifications to existing interfaces in the C++ Standard Library. These modifications are described by quoting the affected parts of the standard and using underlining to represent added text and ~~strike-through~~ to represent deleted text.
- 4 Unless otherwise specified, references to other entities described in this technical specification are assumed to be qualified with `std::experimental::fundamentals_v2::`, and references to entities described in the standard are assumed to be qualified with `std::`.
- 5 Extensions that are expected to eventually be added to an existing header `<meow>` are provided inside the `<experimental/meow>` header, which shall include the standard contents of `<meow>` as if by

```
#include <meow>
```
- 6 New headers are also provided in the `<experimental/>` directory, but without such an `#include`.

Table 1 — C++ library headers

<code>&lt;experimental/algorithm&gt;</code>	<code>&lt;experimental/map&gt;</code>	<code>&lt;experimental/string&gt;</code>
<code>&lt;experimental/any&gt;</code>	<code>&lt;experimental/memory&gt;</code>	<code>&lt;experimental/string_view&gt;</code>
<code>&lt;experimental/array&gt;</code>	<code>&lt;experimental/memory_resource&gt;</code>	<code>&lt;experimental/system_error&gt;</code>
<code>&lt;experimental/chrono&gt;</code>	<code>&lt;experimental/optional&gt;</code>	<code>&lt;experimental/tuple&gt;</code>
<code>&lt;experimental/deque&gt;</code>	<code>&lt;experimental/propagate_const&gt;</code>	<code>&lt;experimental/type_traits&gt;</code>
<code>&lt;experimental/forward_list&gt;</code>	<code>&lt;experimental/random&gt;</code>	<code>&lt;experimental/unordered_map&gt;</code>
<code>&lt;experimental/functional&gt;</code>	<code>&lt;experimental/ratio&gt;</code>	<code>&lt;experimental/unordered_set&gt;</code>
<code>&lt;experimental/future&gt;</code>	<code>&lt;experimental/regex&gt;</code>	<code>&lt;experimental/utility&gt;</code>
<code>&lt;experimental/iterator&gt;</code>	<code>&lt;experimental/set&gt;</code>	<code>&lt;experimental/vector&gt;</code>
<code>&lt;experimental/list&gt;</code>	<code>&lt;experimental/source_location&gt;</code>	

## 1.4 Terms and definitions

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[general.defns]

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- 1 For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in the C++ Standard and the following apply.

### 1.4.1

[general.defns.direct-non-list-init]

#### direct-non-list-initialization

A direct-initialization that is not list-initialization.

## 1.5 Future plans (Informative)

[general.plans]

- 1 This section describes tentative plans for future versions of this technical specification and plans for moving content into future versions of the C++ Standard.
- 2 The C++ committee intends to release a new version of this technical specification approximately every year, containing the library extensions we hope to add to a near-future version of the C++ Standard. Future versions will define their contents in `std::experimental::fundamentals_v3`, `std::experimental::fundamentals_v4`, etc., with the most recent implemented version inlined into `std::experimental`.
- 3 When an extension defined in this or a future version of this technical specification represents enough existing practice, it will be moved into the next version of the C++ Standard by removing the `experimental::fundamentals_vN` segment of its namespace and by removing the `experimental/` prefix from its header's path.

## 1.6 Feature-testing recommendations (Informative)

[\[general.feature.test\]](#)

- <sup>1</sup> For the sake of improved portability between partial implementations of various C++ standards, WG21 (the ISO technical committee for the C++ programming language) recommends that implementers and programmers follow the guidelines in this section concerning feature-test macros. [ *Note*: WG21's SD-6 makes similar recommendations for the C++ Standard itself. — *end note* ]
- <sup>2</sup> Implementers who provide a new standard feature should define a macro with the recommended name, in the same circumstances under which the feature is available (for example, taking into account relevant command-line options), to indicate the presence of support for that feature. Implementers should define that macro with the value specified in the most recent version of this technical specification that they have implemented. The recommended macro name is "`__cpp_lib_experimental_`" followed by the string in the "Macro Name Suffix" column.
- <sup>3</sup> Programmers who wish to determine whether a feature is available in an implementation should base that determination on the presence of the header (determined with `__has_include(<header/name>)`) and the state of the macro with the recommended name. (The absence of a tested feature may result in a program with decreased functionality, or the relevant functionality may be provided in a different way. A program that strictly depends on support for a feature can just try to use the feature unconditionally; presumably, on an implementation lacking necessary support, translation will fail.)

Table 2 — Significant features in this technical specification

Doc. No.	Title	Primary Section	Macro Name Suffix	Value	Header
N3915	apply() call a function with arguments from a tuple	3.2.2	apply	201402	<experimental/tuple>
N3932	Variable Templates For Type Traits	3.3.1	type_trait_variable_templates	201402	<experimental/type_traits>
N3866	Invocation type traits	3.3.2	invocation_type	201406	<experimental/type_traits>
P0013R1	Logical Operator Type Traits	3.3.3	logical_traits	201511	<experimental/type_traits>
N4502	The C++ Detection Idiom	3.3.4	detect	201505	<experimental/type_traits>
N4388	A Proposal to Add a Const-Propagating Wrapper to the Standard Library	3.7	propagate_const	201505	<experimental/propagate_const>
N3916	Type-erased allocator for <code>std::function</code>	4.2	function_erased_allocator	201406	<experimental/functional>
N3905	Extending <code>std::search</code> to use Additional Searching Algorithms	4.3	boyer_moore_searching	201411	<experimental/functional>
N4076	A proposal to add a generalized callable negator	4.4	not_fn	201406	<experimental/functional>
N3672, N3793	A utility class to represent optional objects	5	optional	201411	<experimental/optional>
N3804	Any Library Proposal	6	any	201411	<experimental/any>

Doc. No.	Title	Primary Section	Macro Name Suffix	Value	Header
N3921	string_view: a non-owning reference to a string	7	string_view	201411	<experimental/string_view>
N3920	Extending shared_ptr to Support Arrays	8.2	shared_ptr_arrays	201406	<experimental/memory>
N3916	Polymorphic Memory Resources	8.4	memory_resources	201402	<experimental/memory_resource>
N4282	The World's Dumbest Smart Pointer	8.12	observer_ptr	201411	<experimental/memory>
N4273	Uniform Container Erasure	9.1	erase_if	201411	<experimental/vector>
N4391	make_array	9.2.2	make_array	201505	<experimental/array>
N4257	Delimited iterators	10.2	ostream_joiner	201411	<experimental/iterator>
N3916	Type-erased allocator for std::promise	11.2	promise_erased_allocator	201406	<experimental/future>
N3916	Type-erased allocator for std::packaged_task	11.3	packaged_task_erased_allocator	201406	<experimental/future>
N3925	A sample Proposal	12.3	sample	201402	<experimental/algorithm>
N4061	Greatest Common Divisor and Least Common Multiple	13.1.2, 13.1.3	gcd_lcm	201411	<experimental/numeric>
N4531	std::rand replacement	13.2.2.1	randint	201511	<experimental/random>
N4519	Source-Code Information Capture	14.1	source_location	201505	<experimental/source_location>

## 2 Modifications to the C++ Standard Library

[mods]

- <sup>1</sup> Implementations that conform to this technical specification shall behave as if the modifications contained in this section are made to the C++ Standard.

### 2.1 Uses-allocator construction

[mods.allocator.uses]

- <sup>1</sup> The following changes to the `uses_allocator` trait and to the description of uses-allocator construction allow a `memory_resource` pointer act as an allocator in many circumstances. [ *Note*: Existing programs that use standard allocators would be unaffected by this change. — *end note* ]

#### 20.7.7 `uses_allocator` [allocator.uses]

##### 20.7.7.1 `uses_allocator` trait [allocator.uses.trait]

```
template <class T, class Alloc> struct uses_allocator;
```

*Remarks:* Automatically detects whether `T` has a nested `allocator_type` that is convertible from `Alloc`. Meets the BinaryTypeTrait requirements (C++14 §20.10.1). The implementation shall provide a definition that is derived from `true_type` if a type `T::allocator_type` exists and either `is_convertible_v<Alloc, T::allocator_type> != false` or `T::allocator_type` is an alias for `std::experimental::erased_type` (3.1.2), otherwise it shall be derived from `false_type`. A program may specialize this template to derive from `true_type` for a user-defined type `T` that does not have a nested `allocator_type` but nonetheless can be constructed with an allocator where either:

- the first argument of a constructor has type `allocator_arg_t` and the second argument has type `Alloc` or
- the last argument of a constructor has type `Alloc`.

##### 20.7.7.2 uses-allocator construction [allocator.uses.construction]

*Uses-allocator construction* with allocator `Alloc` refers to the construction of an object `obj` of type `T`, using constructor arguments `v1, v2, ..., vN` of types `V1, V2, ..., VN`, respectively, and an allocator `alloc` of type `Alloc`, where `Alloc` either (1) meets the requirements of an allocator (C++14 §17.6.3.5), or (2) is a pointer type convertible to `std::experimental::pmr::memory_resource*` (8.5), according to the following rules:

## 3 General utilities library

[\[utilities\]](#)

### 3.1 Utility components

[\[utility\]](#)

#### 3.1.1 Header <experimental/utility> synopsis

[\[utility.synop\]](#)

```
#include <utility>

namespace std {
namespace experimental {
inline namespace fundamentals_v2 {

    // 3.1.2, Class erased_type
    struct erased_type { };

} // namespace fundamentals_v2
} // namespace experimental
} // namespace std
```

#### 3.1.2 Class `erased_type`

[\[utility.erased.type\]](#)

```
1 struct erased_type { };
```

<sup>2</sup> The `erased_type` struct is an empty struct that serves as a placeholder for a type `T` in situations where the actual type `T` is determined at runtime. For example, the nested type, `allocator_type`, is an alias for `erased_type` in classes that use *type-erased allocators* (see 8.3).

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## 3.2 Tuples

[\[tuple\]](#)

#### 3.2.1 Header <experimental/tuple> synopsis

[\[header.tuple.synop\]](#)

```
#include <tuple>

namespace std {
namespace experimental {
inline namespace fundamentals_v2 {

    // See C++14 §20.4.2.5, tuple helper classes
    template <class T> constexpr size_t tuple_size_v
        = tuple_size<T>::value;

    // 3.2.2, Calling a function with a tuple of arguments
    template <class F, class Tuple>
    constexpr decltype(auto) apply(F&& f, Tuple&& t);

} // namespace fundamentals_v2
} // namespace experimental
} // namespace std
```

### 3.2.2 Calling a function with a `tuple` of arguments

[[tuple.apply](#)]

```
1 template <class F, class Tuple>
  constexpr decltype(auto) apply(F&& f, Tuple&& t);

2 Effects: Given the exposition only function

   template <class F, class Tuple, size_t... I>
   constexpr decltype(auto) apply_impl( // exposition only
     F&& f, Tuple&& t, index_sequence<I...>) {
     return INVOKE(std::forward<F>(f), std::get<I>(std::forward<Tuple>(t))...);
   }
```

Equivalent to

```
return apply_impl(std::forward<F>(f), std::forward<Tuple>(t),
  make_index_sequence<tuple_size_v<decay_t<Tuple>>>());
```

### 3.3 Metaprogramming and type traits

[[meta](#)]

#### 3.3.1 Header `<experimental/type_traits>` synopsis

[[meta.type.synop](#)]

```
#include <type_traits>

namespace std {
  namespace experimental {
    inline namespace fundamentals_v2 {
      // See C++14 §20.10.4.1, primary type categories
      template <class T> constexpr bool is_void_v
        = is_void<T>::value;
      template <class T> constexpr bool is_null_pointer_v
        = is_null_pointer<T>::value;
      template <class T> constexpr bool is_integral_v
        = is_integral<T>::value;
      template <class T> constexpr bool is_floating_point_v
        = is_floating_point<T>::value;
      template <class T> constexpr bool is_array_v
        = is_array<T>::value;
      template <class T> constexpr bool is_pointer_v
        = is_pointer<T>::value;
      template <class T> constexpr bool is_lvalue_reference_v
        = is_lvalue_reference<T>::value;
      template <class T> constexpr bool is_rvalue_reference_v
        = is_rvalue_reference<T>::value;
      template <class T> constexpr bool is_member_object_pointer_v
        = is_member_object_pointer<T>::value;
      template <class T> constexpr bool is_member_function_pointer_v
        = is_member_function_pointer<T>::value;
      template <class T> constexpr bool is_enum_v
        = is_enum<T>::value;
      template <class T> constexpr bool is_union_v
        = is_union<T>::value;
      template <class T> constexpr bool is_class_v
```