

## Glossary

- class type** – a kind of user-defined type (UDT) whose definition is introduced using a class key (one of `class`, `struct`, or `union`). [alignas](#) (168), [Generalized PODs '11](#) (405), [friend '11](#) (1031)
- closure** – a (1) closure object or (2) closure type. [Local Types '11](#) (87), [Lambdas](#) (578), [Generic Lambdas](#) (982), [Lambda Captures](#) (986), [auto Return](#) (1197)
- closure object** – a callable object created via a lambda expression. [Lambdas](#) (578), [Generic Lambdas](#) (968), [auto Return](#) (1197)
- closure type** – the (unnamed) type of a closure object produced by a lambda expression. [Lambdas](#) (578), [Generic Lambdas](#) (968)
- code bloat** – excessive object code as might result from (1) the inlining of a large function body invoked from numerous call sites or (2) many similar but not identical instantiations of a function template, say, when employing perfect forwarding of string literals (see Section 2.1. “Forwarding References” on page 377). [extern template](#) (353), [friend '11](#) (1054)
- code elision** – a compiler optimization whereby code that provably can never execute is simply omitted from the generated object code. [noexcept Specifier](#) (1136)
- code motion** – a general term for compiler optimizations that reorder provably independent evaluations to potentially improve performance, based on the capabilities of hardware on which the code will execute. [noexcept Specifier](#) (1136)
- code point** – a single character (e.g., glyph, control character, or modifier) in a character set. Unicode comprises 1,114,112 code points. ASCII comprises 128 code points. [Unicode Literals](#) (129)
- code unit** – the smallest subdivision of a code point for a specific encoding. In Unicode, for example, the UTF-8 encoding uses 8-bit code units (one to four code units to represent each code point), and the UTF-32 encoding uses 32-bit code units (one per code point). [Generalized PODs '11](#) (476)
- cold path** – a segment of generated object code that is executed only rarely or in exceptional cases (e.g., code within a `catch` block); such exceptional code is sometimes relegated to physically separate locations in memory so as to eliminate *any* added runtime cost associated with its existence (e.g., zero-cost-exception model). [noexcept Specifier](#) (1103)
- Collatz conjecture** – one that states that for all positive integers  $N$ , the Collatz sequence is finite. Note that the length, however, varies widely with successive values  $N$ .
- Collatz function** – one that, given an integer  $N$ , returns  $N/2$  if  $N$  is even and  $3N + 1$  if  $N$  is odd; see also Collatz conjecture. [constexpr Variables](#) (313)
- Collatz length** – the cardinality of the shortest Collatz sequence starting with  $N$  that contains 1; note that the length varies widely with successive values of  $N$ . [constexpr Variables](#) (313)
- Collatz sequence** – one in which each successive element is obtained by starting with  $N$  and repeatedly applying the Collatz function to obtain the next element in the sequence. [constexpr Variables](#) (313)
- comma operator** – (1) the built-in sequencing operator that evaluates and discards the result of its left-hand side expression and then unconditionally evaluates its right-hand side expression, which becomes the result of evaluating the operator or (2) an *overloaded* operator, having the name `operator`, that unconditionally evaluates both of its arguments and returns a result as determined by its user-provided definition. [constexpr Functions](#) (268)
- common initial member sequence (CIMS)** – the longest *initial* sequence (in declaration order) of `nonstatic` data members and bit fields within a class type that is the same between two standard-layout types. [Generalized PODs '11](#) (406)