

function 1 in the previous code example, so these functions do not work for aggregates prior to C++20.

Uniform member initialization in generic code

With the addition of general braced initialization to C++11, class authors should consider whether constructors should use *direct* initialization or *direct list* initialization to initialize their bases and members. Note that since copy initialization and copy list initialization are not options, whether or not the constructor for a given base or member is **explicit** will never be a concern.

Prior to C++11, writing code that initialized aggregate subobjects, including arrays, with a set of data in the constructor's member initializer list was not really possible. We could only *default*-initialize, *value*-initialize, or *direct*-initialize from another aggregate of the same type.

Starting with C++11, we are able to initialize aggregate members with a list of values, using aggregate initialization in place of direct list initialization for members that are aggregates:

```
struct S
{
    int
                i;
    std::string str;
};
class C
{
    int j;
    int a[3];
    S
      s;
public:
   C(int x, int y, int z, int n, const std::string t)
    , a{ x, y, z } // ill formed in C++03, OK in C++11
     s{ n, t } // ill formed in C++03, OK in C++11
    {
    }
};
```

Note that as the initializer for C.j shows in the code example above, there is no requirement to consistently use either braces or parentheses for all member initializers.

As with the case of factory functions, the class-author must make a choice for constructors between adding support for initializing aggregates versus narrowing conversion being ill formed. As mentioned earlier, since member initialization supports only *direct* list initialization, there is never a concern regarding **explicit** conversions in this context: