

Section 2.1 C++11

Lambdas

```

auto c6 = [&, b]{ return a * b; };
    // a is implicitly captured by reference, and b is explicitly
    // captured by copy.
auto c7 = [=, &b]{ return a * b; };
    // a is implicitly captured by copy, and b is explicitly
    // captured by reference.
auto c8 = [a]{ return a * b; };
    // Error, a is explicitly captured by copy, but b is not captured.
}

```

When a lambda expression appears within a **nonstatic member function**, the **this** pointer can be captured as a special case:

```

class Class1
{
public:
    void mf()
    {
        auto c12 = [this]{ return this; }; // Explicitly capture this.
        auto c13 = [=] { return this; }; // Implicitly capture this.
    }
};

```

Both implicit and explicit capture of **this** capture the pointer **value** of **this** and do not make a copy of the object pointed to by **this**. Redundant captures are not allowed; the same name (or **this**) cannot appear twice in the lambda capture. Moreover, if the capture default is **&**, then none of the explicitly captured variables may be captured by reference, and if the capture default is **=**, then any explicitly captured entities can be neither captured by copy nor **this**⁴:

```

class Class2
{
public:
    void mf()
    {
        int a = 0;
        auto c1 = [a, &a]{ /*...*/ }; // Error, a is captured twice.
        auto c2 = [=, a]{ /*...*/ };
            // Error, explicit capture of a by copy is redundant.
        auto c3 = [&,&a]{ /*...*/ };
            // Error, explicit capture of a by reference is redundant.
        auto c4 = [=, this]{ return this; };
            // Error, explicit capture of this with = capture default
    }
};

```

⁴C++20 removed the prohibition on explicit capture of **this** with an **=** capture default. In fact, C++20 deprecated implicit capture of **this** when the capture default is **=** and instead requires **[=, this]** to capture **this** in such situations.