

Section 2.1 C++11

Rvalue References

2. A move-assignment operator for a type X is a nonstatic, nontemplate member function named **operator**= with exactly one parameter that is a cv-qualified rvalue reference to X, i.e., either X&&, **const** X&&, **volatile** X&&, or **const volatile** X&&. Any return type and value is valid for a move-assignment operator, but the common convention is to have a return type of X& and to return *this.

Just as with other special member functions, when not declared explicitly, it is possible for the move constructor and move-assignment operator to be declared implicitly 10 for a class, or struct, X.

- Supplying any of a **user-declared** copy or move constructor, copy or move assignment operator, or destructor will suppress the implicit generation of both **move operations**.
- The default move constructor will have the function prototype X::X(X&&). The default move-assignment operator will have the signature X& operator=(X&&).
- The exception specification and triviality of both move operations are determined by the exception specification and triviality of the corresponding operation on all base classes and nonstatic data members of X.
- The default implementation will apply the corresponding operation to each base class and nonstatic data member.

The rules governing special-member-function generation for a union are similar to those for a class or struct with the added proviso that *any* of the union's six special member functions that are not declared explicitly will be deleted (see Section 1.1."Deleted Functions" on page 53) if they correspond to a *non*trivial special member function of one or more of the union's *non*static data members:

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struct S \{ S(S&\&); \}; // S \text{ has a user-provided } (non_trivial) \text{ move ctor.}
union U \{ S s; \}; // U's \text{ implicitly declared move ctor is deleted.}
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Note that a **trivial move operation** and a **trivial copy operation** on a union have the same behavior: a bitwise copy. For a much more detailed discussion of both **union**s and **triviality**, see Section 3.1."**union** '11" on page 1174 and Section 2.1."Generalized PODs '11" on page 401.

¹⁰For more on the implicit generation of special member functions, see Section 1.1. "Defaulted Functions" on page 33