Section 2.2 C++14

Generic Lambdas

```
struct __lambda_2 // compiler-generated name; not visible to the user
{
    template <typename __T>
    __T operator()(__T x) const { return x; }
    // ...
};
__lambda_1 identityInt = __lambda_1();
__lambda_2 identity = __lambda_2();
```

Note that the names <u>lambda_1</u>, <u>lambda_2</u>, and <u>T</u> are for descriptive purpose and are not available to the user; the compiler might choose any name or no name for these **entities**.

A generic lambda is any lambda expression having one or more parameters declared using the placeholder type **auto**. The compiler generates a **template parameter** type for each **auto** parameter in the generic lambda, and that type is substituted for **auto** in the functioncall operator's parameter list. In the identity example above, **auto** x is replaced with

__T x, where __T is a new template parameter type. When user code subsequently calls, e.g., identity(42), normal template type deduction takes place, and operator()<int> is instantiated.

Lambda capture and mutable closures

The closure type produced by a generic lambda is not a class template. Rather, its function call operator and its conversion-to-function-pointer operator (as we'll see later in *Conversion to a pointer to function* on page 974) are function templates. In particular, the lambda capture, which creates data members within the closure type, has the same syntax and semantics for all lambda expressions, generic or not. Similarly, the mutable qualifier has the same effect for generic lambdas as for nongeneric lambdas:

```
#include <algorithm> // std::for_each
#include <iterator>
                     // std::next
template <typename FwdIter>
auto secondBiggest(FwdIter begin, FwdIter end)
   // Return the second-largest element in the range [begin, end),
    // assuming at least two elements and that all values in the range
    // are distinct.
{
    auto second = std::next(begin); // Refer to second element.
    auto ret = *second;
                                     // Set to second element.
    std::for_each(second, end,
        [biggest = *begin, &ret](const auto& element) mutable
        {
            if (biggest <= element) {</pre>
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