

# Proposed Wording for Concepts (Revision 5)

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## Introduction

This document provides proposed wording for concepts. Readers unfamiliar with concepts are encouraged to read the complete proposal [2]. It is recommended that readers “tour” this concepts wording using N2399=07-0259, which provides an examples-directed view of the major language features involved in concepts, cross-referenced with this document. This document provides wording for changes to the core language. Changes to the standard library are discussed in separate documents:

- N2618=08-0128: Concepts for the C++0x Standard Library: Introduction (Revision 1)
- N2619=08-0129: Concepts for the C++0x Standard Library: Language Support Library
- N2620=08-0130: Concepts for the C++0x Standard Library: Diagnostics library
- N2621=08-0131: Core Concepts for the C++0x Standard Library (Revision 2)
- N2622=08-0132: Concepts for the C++0x Standard Library: Utilities (Revision 3)
- N2623=08-0133: Concepts for the C++0x Standard Library: Containers (Revision 1)
- N2624=08-0134: Iterator Concepts for the C++0x Standard Library (Revision 2)
- N2625=08-0135: Concepts for the C++0x Standard Library: Algorithms (Revision 2)
- N2626=08-0136: Concepts for the C++0x Standard Library: Numerics (Revision 2)
- N2641=08-0151: Allocator Concepts

## Changes from N2501

- Incorporate wording for “option #2”, corresponding to the “Eliminate Forwarding Functions” option described in N2576 [1].
- Clarified that member templates of constrained templates are constrained templates (14.5.2) but that the templates are an unconstrained context (14.10); their bodies are constrained contexts.

- Clarified and simplified how requirements are satisfied by concept maps, including a major cleanup of the specification of concept map lookup (14.10.1.1).
- Add text to cope with inheriting constructors (12.9).
- Update handling of deleted special member functions to cope with unrestricted unions (clause 12).
- Clarify that a class template partial specialization of a constrained class template is not necessarily a constrained template (14.10.1.2).
- Clarify that a *qualified-id* can refer to a type within a concept instance without the use of typename.
- Expanded the checking required to determine whether the concept maps used to satisfy the requirements of a template are consistent, to now include consistency with the results of concept map lookup. As part of this change, this text has moved to the template argument deduction section (14.8.2).
- Large cleanup to the wording for satisfying associated functions (14.9.2.1).
- Cope with template aliases as archetypes.
- Introduced the terms "requirement members" and "satisfier members" (14.9.2) of concept maps. The definitions are meant to help explicitly spell out some existing notions about what goes into the scope of a concept map.

### Typographical conventions

Within the proposed wording, text that has been added will be presented in blue and underlined when possible. Text that has been removed will be presented ~~in red, with strike-through when possible~~. Wording new to this revision will be underlined in green. Take *that*, angry fruit salad.

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# Chapter 1 General

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[intro]

## 1.3 Definitions

[intro.defs]

### 1.3.1

[defns.signature]

#### signature

the name and the *parameter-type-list* (8.3.5) of a function, as well as the class, [concept](#), [concept map](#), or namespace of which it is a member. If a function or function template is a class member its signature additionally includes the *cv-qualifiers* (if any) and the *ref-qualifier* (if any) on the function or function template itself. [If a function or function template is a concept map member its signature additionally includes its status as a requirement member or a satisfier member.](#) The signature of a function template additionally includes its return type ~~and~~ its template parameter list, [and its template requirements \(if any\)](#). The signature of a function template specialization includes the signature of the template of which it is a specialization and its template arguments (whether explicitly specified or deduced). [Note: Signatures are used as a basis for name mangling and linking. — end note ]



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## Chapter 2 Lexical conventions

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[lex]

### 2.11 Keywords

[key]

- 1 The identifiers shown in Table 3 are reserved for use as keywords (that is, they are unconditionally treated as keywords in phase 7):

Table 3: keywords

asm	continue	friend	register	throw
auto	default	goto	reinterpret_cast	true
<a href="#">axiom</a>	delete	if	<a href="#">requires</a>	try
bool	do	inline	return	typedef
break	double	int	short	typeid
case	dynamic_cast	<a href="#">late_check</a>	signed	typename
catch	else	long	sizeof	union
char	enum	mutable	static	unsigned
char16_t	explicit	namespace	static_assert	using
char32_t	export	new	static_cast	virtual
class	extern	operator	struct	void
<a href="#">concept</a>	false	private	switch	volatile
<a href="#">concept_map</a>	float	protected	template	wchar_t
const	for	public	this	while
const_cast				



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## Chapter 3 Basic concepts

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[basic]

- 3 An *entity* is a value, object, subobject, base class subobject, array element, variable, function, instance of a function, enumerator, type, class member, template, namespace, ~~or~~-parameter pack, [concept](#), or [concept map](#).
- 6 Some names denote types, classes, [concepts](#), [concept map names](#), enumerations, or templates. In general, it is necessary to determine whether or not a name denotes one of these entities before parsing the program that contains it. The process that determines this is called *name lookup* (3.4).

### 3.2 One definition rule

[basic.def.odr]

- 1 No translation unit shall contain more than one definition of any variable, function, class type, [concept](#), [concept map](#), enumeration type or template.
- 5 There can be more than one definition of a class type (clause 9), [concept](#) (14.9), [concept map](#) (14.9.2), enumeration type ([`dcl.enum`]), inline function with external linkage ([`dcl.fct.spec`]), class template (clause 14), non-static function template (14.5.6), static data member of a class template ([`temp.static`]), member function of a class template ([`temp.mem.func`]), or template specialization for which some template parameters are not specified (14.7, 14.5.5) in a program provided that each definition appears in a different translation unit, and provided the definitions satisfy the following requirements. Given such an entity named D defined in more than one translation unit, then

### 3.3 Declarative regions and scopes

[basic.scope]

#### 3.3.1 Point of declaration

[basic.scope.pdecl]

- 10 [The point of declaration for a concept](#) (14.9) is immediately after the identifier in the *concept-definition*. [The point of declaration for a concept map](#) (14.9.2) is immediately after the *concept-id* in the *concept-map-definition*.

Add the following new sections to 3.3 [basic.scope] after [basic.scope.class]:

#### 3.3.8 Concept scope

[basic.scope.concept]

- 1 [The following rules describe the scope of names declared in concepts and concept maps](#).
  - 1) [The potential scope of a name declared in a concept or concept map consists not only of the declarative region following the name's point of declaration, but also of all associated function bodies in that concept or concept map](#).
  - 2) [A name N used in a concept or concept map S shall refer to the same declaration in its context and when re-evaluated in the completed scope of S. No diagnostic is required for a violation of this rule](#).
  - 3) [If reordering declarations in a concept or concept map yields an alternate valid program under \(1\), the program is ill-formed, no diagnostic is required](#).

- 4) A name declared within an associated function definition hides a declaration of the same name whose scope extends to or past the end of the associated function's concept or concept map.
- 2 The name of a concept member shall only be used as follows:
- in the scope of its concept (as described above) or a concept refining (14.9.3) its concept,
  - after the :: scope resolution operator (5.1) applied to the name of a concept map or template type parameter (14.1).

### 3.3.9 Requirements scope

[basic.scope.req]

- 1 In a constrained template (14.10), the names of all associated functions inside the concepts named by the concept requirements in the template's requirements are visible in the scope of the template declaration. [Example:

```

concept Integral<typename T> {
    T::(const T&);
    T operator-(T);
}

concept RAIterator<typename Iter> {
    Integral difference_type;
    difference_type operator-(Iter, Iter);
}

template<RAIterator Iter>
RAIterator<Iter>::difference_type distance(Iter first, Iter last) {
    return -(first - last); // okay: name lookup for operator- finds RAIterator<Iter>::operator-
                           // and Integral<RAIterator<Iter>::difference_type>::operator-
                           // overload resolution picks the appropriate operator for both uses of -
}

```

— end example ]

- 2 [Note: Function names can be found within the concept map archetypes ([temp.archetype]) corresponding to a template's requirements. [Example:

```

concept A<class B> {
    void g( const B& );
}

template< class T, class U >
requires A<U>
void f( T & x, U & y ) {
    g( y ); // binds to A<U'>::g( const U' & )
    g( x ); // error: no overload of g takes T' values.
}

```



*— end example ] — end note ]*

### 3.3.10 Name hiding

[basic.scope.hiding]

- 1 A name can be hidden by an explicit declaration of that same name in a nested declarative region, [refining concept \(14.9.3\)](#), or derived class ([class.member.lookup]).

Add the following new paragraph:

- 6 [In an associated function definition, the declaration of a local name hides the declaration of a member of the concept or concept map with the same name; see 3.3.8.](#)

### 3.4 Name lookup

[basic.lookup]

- 1 The name lookup rules apply uniformly to all names (including *typedef-names* ([dcl.typedef]), *namespace-names* ([basic.namespace]), *concept-names* (14.9), *concept-map-names* (14.9.2), and *class-names* ([class.name]) wherever the grammar allows such names in the context discussed by a particular rule. Name lookup associates the use of a name with a declaration ([basic.def]) of that name. Name lookup shall find an unambiguous declaration for the name (see [class.member.lookup]). Name lookup may associate more than one declaration with a name if it finds the name to be a function name; the declarations are said to form a set of overloaded functions (13.1). Overload resolution (13.3) takes place after name lookup has succeeded. The access rules (clause [class.access]) are considered only once name lookup and function overload resolution (if applicable) have succeeded. Only after name lookup, function overload resolution (if applicable) and access checking have succeeded are the attributes introduced by the name's declaration used further in expression processing (clause 5).

#### 3.4.1 Unqualified name lookup

[basic.lookup.unqual]

Add the following new paragraphs:

- 16 [A name used in the definition of a concept or concept map X outside of an associated function body shall be declared in one of the following ways:](#)
- [before its use in the concept or concept map X or be a member of a refined concept of X, or](#)
  - [if X is a member of namespace N, before the definition of concept or concept map X in namespace N or in one of N's enclosing namespaces.](#)

[Example:

```
concept Callable<class F, class T1> {
    result_type operator() (F&, T1)
    typename result_type; // error result_type used before declared
}
```

*— end example ]*

- 17 [A name used in the definition of an associated function \(14.9.1.1\) of a concept or concept map X following the associated function's \*declarator-id\* shall be declared in one of the following ways:](#)
- [before its use in the block in which it is used or in an enclosing block \(\[stmt.block\]\), or](#)

- shall be a member of concept or concept map  $X$  or be a member of a refined concept of  $X$ , or
- if  $X$  is a member of namespace  $N$ , before the associated function definition, in namespace  $N$  or in one of  $N$ 's enclosing namespaces.

### 3.4.3 Qualified name lookup

[basic.lookup.qual]

- 1 The name of a class, concept map (but not concept), or namespace member or enumerator can be referred to after the `::` scope resolution operator (5.1) applied to a *nested-name-specifier* that nominates its class, concept map, namespace, or enumeration. During the lookup for a name preceding the `::` scope resolution operator, object, function, and enumerator names are ignored. If the name found does not designate a namespace, concept map, or a class, enumeration, or dependent type, the program is ill-formed.

Add the following paragraph to Qualified name lookup [basic.lookup.qual]

- 6 In a constrained template (14.10), a name prefixed by a *nested-name-specifier* that nominates a template type parameter  $T$  is looked up in each concept named by a concept requirement (14.10.1) in the template requirements whose template argument list contains  $T$ . That name shall refer to one or more associated types (names of associated functions are ignored) that are all equivalent (14.4). [Example:

```
concept C<typename T> {
    typename assoc_type;
}

template<typename T, typename U> requires C<T> && C<U>
    T::assoc_type    // okay: refers to C<T>::assoc_type
    f();
```

— end example ]

If qualified name lookup for associated types does not find any associated type names, qualified name lookup (3.4.3) can still find the name within the archetype (14.10.2) of  $T$  when the name lookup is performed in a constrained context (14.10).

Add the following subsection to Qualified name lookup [basic.lookup.qual]

#### 3.4.3.3 Concept map members

[concept.qual]

- 1 If the *nested-name-specifier* of a *qualified-id* nominates a concept map (not a concept), the name specified after the *nested-name-specifier* is looked up in the scope of the concept map (3.3.8) or any of the concept maps for concepts instances its concept instance refines (14.9.3.1). Concept map lookup (14.10.1.1) determines which concept map the *nested-name-specifier* refers to. The name shall represent a member one or more members of that concept map or the concept maps corresponding to the concept refinements [Note: Outside of a constrained context, this means that one or more requirement members (14.9.2) will be found, and since those names are synonyms for sets of other names, the result of name lookup is the union of each of those sets. — end note ]. [Note: a concept map member can be referred to using a *qualified-id* at any point in its potential scope (3.3.8). [Example:

```
concept Callable1<typename F, typename T1> {
    typename result_type;
    result_type operator()(F&, T1);
```

```

}

template<typename F, typename T1>
requires Callable1<F, T1>
Callable1<F, T1>::result_type
forward(F& f, const T1& t1) {
    return f(t1);
}

```

*— end example ] — end note ]*

- 2 A concept map member name hidden by a name in a nested declarative region or by the name of a refining concept member can still be found if qualified by the name of its concept map followed by the :: operator.

### 3.5 Program and linkage

[basic.link]

- 5 In addition, a member function, static data member, a named class or enumeration of class scope, or an unnamed class or enumeration defined in a class-scope typedef declaration such that the class or enumeration has the typedef name for linkage purposes ([dcl.typedef]), has external linkage if the name of the class has external linkage. ~~An associated function definition (14.9.2.1) has external linkage.~~

### 3.9 Types

[basic.types]

- 1 [*Note: 3.9 and the subclasses thereof impose requirements on implementations regarding the representation of types. There are two kinds of types: fundamental types and compound types. Types describe objects ([intro.object]), references (8.3.2), or functions (8.3.5). In a constrained context (14.10), type archetypes can behave like different kinds of types, e.g., object types, scalar types, literal types, etc. — end note ]*



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# Chapter 5 Expressions

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[expr]

## 5.1 Primary expressions

[expr.prim]

- 7 An *identifier* is an *id-expression* provided it has been suitably declared (clause 7). [ *Note:* for *operator-function-ids*, see 13.5; for *conversion-function-ids*, see 12.3.2; for *template-ids*, see [temp.names]. A *class-name* prefixed by  $\sim$  denotes a destructor; see 12.4. Within the definition of a non-static member function, an *identifier* that names a non-static member is transformed to a class member access expression ([class.mfct.non-static]). — *end note* ] The type of the expression is the type of the *identifier*. The result is the entity denoted by the identifier. The result is an lvalue if the entity is a function, variable, or data member.

*qualified-id:*

```
::opt nested-name-specifier templateopt unqualified-id
:: identifier
:: operator-function-id
:: template-id
```

*nested-name-specifier:*

```
type-name ::
namespace-name ::
nested-name-specifier identifier ::
nested-name-specifier templateopt template-id ::
nested-name-specifieropt concept-id ::
```

## 5.2 Postfix expressions

[expr.post]

### 5.2.2 Function call

[expr.call]

## 5.3 Unary expressions

[expr.unary]

### 5.3.1 Unary operators

[expr.unary.op]

- 2 The result of the unary  $\&$  operator is a pointer to its operand. The operand shall be an lvalue or a *qualified-id*. In the first case, if the type of the expression is “T,” the type of the result is “pointer to T.” In particular, the address of an object of type “*cv* T” is “pointer to *cv* T,” with the same *cv*-qualifiers. For a *qualified-id*, if the member is a static member of type “T”, the type of the result is plain “pointer to T.” If the member is a non-static member of class C of type T, the type of the result is “pointer to member of class C of type T.” [The address of a member of a concept map \(14.9.2\) shall not be taken, either implicitly or explicitly.](#) [ *Example:*

```
struct A { int i; };
struct B : A { };
... &B::i ...           //has type int A::*
```

— *end example* ] [ *Note*: a pointer to member formed from a mutable non-static data member ([dcl.stc]) does not reflect the mutable specifier associated with the non-static data member. — *end note* ]

**5.19 Constant expressions****[expr.const]**

- 3 A constant expression is an *integral constant expression* if it is of integral or enumeration type, or, in a constrained template (14.10), if it is of a type *cv T* that is an archetype and if the concept requirement `IntegralConstantExpressionType<T>` ([concept.support]) is part of the template's requirements. [ *Note*: such expressions may be used as array bounds (8.3.4, 5.3.4), as case expressions (6.4.2), as bit-field lengths (9.6), as enumerator initializers (7.2), as static member initializers (9.4.2), and as integral or enumeration non-type template arguments (14.3). — *end note* ]

- 1 Except as indicated, statements are executed in sequence.

*statement:*

*labeled-statement*  
*expression-statement*  
*compound-statement*  
*selection-statement*  
*iteration-statement*  
*jump-statement*  
*declaration-statement*  
*try-block*  
*late-check-block*

### 6.9 Late-checked block

[stmt.late]

- 1 In a constrained context (14.10), a late-checked block treats the enclosed statements as if they were not in a constrained in an unconstrained context. Outside of a constrained context, the late-checked block has no effect. [*Note: in a late-checked block, template parameters do not behave as if they were replaced with their corresponding archetypes. Thus, template parameters imply the existence of dependent types, type-dependent expressions, and dependent names as in an unconstrained template. — end note*]

*late-check-block:*

`late_check compound-statement`

- 2 [Example:

```
concept Semigroup<typename T> {
    T::T(const T&);
    T operator+(T, T);
}

concept_map Semigroup<int> {
    int operator+(int x, int y) { return x * y; }
}

template<Semigroup T>
T add(T x, T y) {
    T r = x + y; // uses Semigroup<T>::operator+
    late_check {
        r = x + y; // uses operator+ found at instantiation time (not considering Semigroup<T>::operator+)
    }
}
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    return r;  
}
```

— *end example* ]



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# Chapter 7 Declarations

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[dcl.dcl]

- 1 Declarations specify how names are to be interpreted. Declarations have the form

*declaration-seq:*  
    *declaration*  
    *declaration-seq declaration*

*declaration:*  
    *block-declaration*  
    *function-definition*  
    *template-declaration*  
    *explicit-instantiation*  
    *explicit-specialization*  
    *linkage-specification*  
    *namespace-definition*  
    *concept-definition*  
    *concept-map-definition*

*block-declaration:*  
    *simple-declaration*  
    *asm-definition*  
    *namespace-alias-definition*  
    *using-declaration*  
    *using-directive*  
    *static\_assert-declaration*  
    *alias-declaration*

*alias-declaration:*  
    using *identifier* = *type-id*

*simple-declaration:*  
    *decl-specifier-seq*<sub>opt</sub> *init-declarator-list*<sub>opt</sub> ;

*static\_assert-declaration:*  
    static\_assert ( *constant-expression* , *string-literal* ) ;

[*Note: asm-definitions* are described in [dcl.asm], and *linkage-specifications* are described in [dcl.link]. *Function-definitions* are described in [dcl.fct.def] and *template-declarations* are described in clause 14. *Namespace-definitions* are described in [namespace.def], *concept-definitions* are described in 14.9.1, *concept-map-definitions* are described in 14.9.2, *using-declarations* are described in 7.3.3 and *using-directives* are described in [namespace.udir]. — end note ]  
The *simple-declaration*

*decl-specifier-seq*<sub>opt</sub> *init-declarator-list*<sub>opt</sub> ;

is divided into two parts: *decl-specifiers*, the components of a *decl-specifier-seq*, are described in [dcl.spec] and *declarators*, the components of an *init-declarator-list*, are described in clause 8.

- 2 A declaration occurs in a scope (3.3); the scope rules are summarized in 3.4. A declaration that declares a function or defines a class, [concept](#), [concept map](#), namespace, template, or function also has one or more scopes nested within it. These nested scopes, in turn, can have declarations nested within them. Unless otherwise stated, utterances in clause 7 about components in, of, or contained by a declaration or subcomponent thereof refer only to those components of the declaration that are *not* nested within scopes nested within the declaration.

### 7.3.3 The using declaration

[namespace.udecl]

- 1 A *using-declaration* introduces a name into the declarative region in which the *using-declaration* appears. That name is a synonym for the name of some entity declared elsewhere.

*using-declaration*:

```
using typenameopt :: opt nested-name-specifier unqualified-id ;
using :: unqualified-id ;
using :: opt nested-name-specifieropt concept_map :: opt nested-name-specifieropt concept-id ;
using :: opt nested-name-specifieropt concept_map :: opt nested-name-specifieropt concept-nameopt ;
using :: opt nested-name-specifieropt concept-name ;
```

- 21 A *using-declaration* for a concept map is an alias to the concept map that matches (14.5.8) the concept instance corresponding to the *concept-id* from the specified namespace. [ *Example*:

```
namespace N1 {
    concept C<typename T> { }
}
namespace N2 {
    concept_map N1::C<int> { } //A
    template<typename T> concept_map N1::C<T*> { } //B
}
namespace N3 {
    using N2::concept_map N1::C<int>; // aliases A
    using N2::concept_map N1::C<int*>; // aliases B, instantiated with T=int
}
```

— end example ]

- 22 A *using-declaration* for a concept map that specifies a *concept-name* (and not a *concept-id*) brings all of the concept maps and concept map templates from the specified namespace for the given concept into the scope in which the *using-declaration* appears. [ *Example*:

```
namespace N1 {
    concept C<typename T> { }
    template<C T> void f(T) { }
}
namespace N2 {
    concept_map N1::C<int> { } //A
    template<typename T> concept_map N1::C<T*> { } //B
}
namespace N3 {
    using N2::concept_map N1::C; // aliases A and B
}
```

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```
void g() {
    f(1); // uses concept map N1::C<int> from A
    f(new int); // uses concept map N1::C<int*> instantiated from B with T=int
}
}
```

— end example ]

- 23 If no concept is specified in the concept map using declaration, all concept maps from the specified namespace are brought into scope. [ Example:

```
namespace N1 {
    concept C<typename T> { }
    template<C T> void f(T) { }
}
namespace N2 {
    concept D<typename T> { }
}
namespace N3 {
    concept_map N1::C<int> { } // A
    template<typename T> concept_map N1::C<T*> { } // B
    concept_map N2::D<int> { } // C
}
namespace N4 {
    using N3::concept_map; // aliases A, B, and C
}
```

— end example ]

- 24 If the second *nested-name-specifier* is specified but no concept is specified, then all concept maps in the namespace specified by the first *nested-name-specifier* for all concepts in the namespace specified by the second *nested-name-specifier* are brought into scope.
- 25 [ Note: a *using-directive* for a namespace brings the concept maps of that namespace into scope, just like other entities. — end note ] [ Example:

```
namespace N1 {
    concept C<typename T> { }
}
namespace N2 {
    concept_map N1::C<int> { }
}
namespace N3 {
    using namespace N2;

    template<N1::C T> void foo(T) { };

    void bar() {
        foo(17); // ok, finds the concept map from N2
    }
}
```

— end example ]

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[dcl.decl]

## 8.3 Meaning of declarators

[dcl.meaning]

- 7 In a constrained template (14.10), a type archetype *cv* T shall only be used as the type of a variable if the template has a concept requirement `VariableType<T>`.

### 8.3.1 Pointers

[dcl.ptr]

- 5 In a constrained template (14.10), a type archetype *cv* T shall only be used to form a type “pointer to *cv* T” if the template has a concept requirement `PointeeType<T>`.

### 8.3.2 References

[dcl.ref]

- 6 In a constrained template (14.10), a type archetype *cv* T shall only be used to form a type “reference to *cv* T” if the template has a concept requirement `ReferentType<T>`.

### 8.3.3 Pointers to members

[dcl.mptr]

- 3 A pointer to member shall not point to a static member of a class ([class.static]), a member with reference type, or “*cv* void.” In a constrained template (14.10), a pointer to member shall only point to a type archetype *cv* T if the template has a concept requirement `ReferentType<T>MemberPointeeType<T>`. [ *Note*: see also 5.3 and [expr.mptr.oper]. The type “pointer to member” is distinct from the type “pointer”, that is, a pointer to member is declared only by the pointer to member declarator syntax, and never by the pointer declarator syntax. There is no “reference-to-member” type in C++. — *end note* ]

### 8.3.4 Arrays

[dcl.array]

- 2 An array can be constructed from one of the fundamental types (except `void`), from a pointer, from a pointer to member, from a class, from an enumeration type, or from another array. In a constrained template (14.10), an array shall only be constructed from a type archetype *cv* T if the template has a concept requirement `ObjectType<T>`.

### 8.3.5 Functions

[dcl.fct]

- 6 If the type of a parameter includes a type of the form “pointer to array of unknown bound of T” or “reference to array of unknown bound of T,” the program is ill-formed.<sup>1)</sup> Functions shall not have a return type of type array or function, although they may have a return type of type pointer or reference to such things. There shall be no arrays of functions, although there can be arrays of pointers to functions. In a constrained template (14.10), a type archetype *cv* T shall only be used as the return type of a function type if the template has a concept requirement `Returnable<T>`. Types shall not

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<sup>1)</sup> This excludes parameters of type “*ptr-arr-seq* T2” where T2 is “pointer to array of unknown bound of T” and where *ptr-arr-seq* means any sequence of “pointer to” and “array of” derived declarator types. This exclusion applies to the parameters of the function, and if a parameter is a pointer to function or pointer to member function then to its parameters also, etc.

be defined in return or parameter types. The type of a parameter or the return type for a function definition shall not be an incomplete class type (possibly cv-qualified) unless the function definition is nested within the *member-specification* for that class (including definitions in nested classes defined within the class).

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# Chapter 9 Classes

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[class]

## 9.2 Class members

[class.mem]

*member-specification:*

*member-declaration member-specification<sub>opt</sub>*  
*access-specifier : member-specification<sub>opt</sub>*

*member-declaration:*

*member-requirement<sub>opt</sub> decl-specifier-seq<sub>opt</sub> member-declarator-list<sub>opt</sub> ;*  
*member-requirement<sub>opt</sub> function-definition ;<sub>opt</sub>*  
*::<sub>opt</sub> nested-name-specifier template<sub>opt</sub> unqualified-id ;*  
*using-declaration*  
*static\_assert-declaration*  
*template-declaration*

*member-requirement:*

*requires-clause*

*member-declarator-list:*

*member-declarator*  
*member-declarator-list , member-declarator*

*member-declarator:*

*declarator pure-specifier<sub>opt</sub>*  
*declarator constant-initializer<sub>opt</sub>*  
*identifier<sub>opt</sub> : constant-expression*

*pure-specifier:*

*= 0*

*constant-initializer:*

*= constant-expression*

Add the following new paragraphs to 9 [class]

- 19 A non-template *member-declaration* that has a *member-requirement* (14.10.1) is a *constrained member* and shall only occur in a class template (14.5.1) or nested class thereof. A constrained member shall be a member function. A constrained member is treated as a constrained template (14.10).





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# Chapter 12 Special member functions [special]

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## 12.1 Constructors

[class.ctor]

- 5 A *default* constructor for a class X is a constructor of class X that can be called without an argument. If there is no user-declared constructor for class X, a constructor having no parameters is implicitly declared. An implicitly-declared default constructor is an inline public member of its class. ~~For a union-like class that has a variant member with a non-trivial default constructor, an implicitly-declared default constructor is defined as deleted ([del.fct.def]).~~ A default constructor is *trivial* if it is implicitly-declared and if:
- its class has no virtual functions ([class.virtual]) and no virtual base classes ([class.mi]), and
  - all the direct base classes of its class have trivial default constructors, and
  - for all the non-static data members of its class that are of class type (or array thereof), each such class has a trivial default constructor.

An implicitly-declared default constructor for class X is deleted if:

- X is a union-like class that has a variant member with a non-trivial default constructor,
  - any non-static data member is of reference type,
  - any non-static data member of const-qualified type (or array thereof) does not have a user-provided default constructor, or
  - any non-static data member or direct or virtual base class has class type M (or array thereof) and M has no default constructor, or if overload resolution (13.3) as applied to M's default constructor, results in an ambiguity or a function that is deleted or inaccessible from the implicitly-declared default constructor.
- 7 A non-user-provided default constructor for a class is *implicitly defined* when it is used (3.2) to create an object of its class type ([intro.object]). The implicitly-defined or explicitly-defaulted default constructor performs the set of initializations of the class that would be performed by a user-written default constructor for that class with an empty *mem-initializer-list* ([class.base.init]) and an empty function body. If the implicitly-defined copy constructor is explicitly defaulted, but the corresponding implicit declaration would have been deleted, the program is ill-formed. If that user-written default constructor would satisfy the requirements of a constexpr constructor ([decl.constexpr]), the implicitly-defined default constructor is constexpr. Before the non-user-provided default constructor for a class is implicitly defined, all the non-user-provided default constructors for its base classes and its non-static data members shall have been implicitly defined. [ *Note:* an implicitly-declared default constructor has an *exception-specification* ([except.spec]). An explicitly-defaulted definition has no implicit *exception-specification*. — end note ]

## 12.3 Conversions

[class.conv]

## 12.3.2 Conversion functions

[class.conv.fct]

- 1 A member function of a class X having no parameters or an associated function of a concept whose sole parameter is of type X, and with a name of the form

```

conversion-function-id:
    operator conversion-type-id

conversion-type-id:
    type-specifier-seq conversion-declaratoropt

conversion-declarator:
    ptr-operator conversion-declaratoropt

```

specifies a conversion from X to the type specified by the *conversion-type-id*. Such **member** functions are called conversion functions. Classes, enumerations, and *typedef-names* shall not be declared in the *type-specifier-seq*. **Neither parameter types nor** **No** return type can be specified. The type of a conversion function (8.3.5) is “function taking no parameter (if the conversion function is a member function) or a parameter of type X (if the conversion function is an associated function) returning *conversion-type-id*.” A conversion function is never used to convert a (possibly cv-qualified) object to the (possibly cv-qualified) same object type (or a reference to it), to a (possibly cv-qualified) base class of that type (or a reference to it), or to (possibly cv-qualified) void.<sup>2)</sup>

[Example:

```

class X {
    // ...
public:
    operator int();
};

void f(X a)
{
    int i = int(a);
    i = (int)a;
    i = a;
}

```

In all three cases the value assigned will be converted by `X::operator int()`. —end example ]

## 12.4 Destructors

[class.dtor]

- 3 If a class has no user-declared destructor, a destructor is declared implicitly. An implicitly-declared destructor is an inline public member of its class. ~~If the class is a union-like class that has a variant member with a non-trivial destructor, an implicitly-declared destructor is defined as deleted ([del.fct.def]).~~ A destructor is *trivial* if it is implicitly-declared and if:

— all of the direct base classes of its class have trivial destructors and

<sup>2)</sup> Even though never directly called to perform a conversion, such conversion functions can be declared and can potentially be reached through a call to a virtual conversion function in a base class

- for all of the non-static data members of its class that are of class type (or array thereof), each such class has a trivial destructor.

An implicitly-declared destructor for a class *X* is deleted if:

- *X* is a union-like class that has a variant member with a non-trivial destructor,
- any of the non-static data members has class type *M* (or array thereof) and *M* has a deleted destructor or a destructor that is inaccessible from the implicitly-declared destructor, or
- any direct or virtual base class has a deleted destructor or a destructor that is inaccessible from the implicitly-declared destructor.

- 5 An implicitly-declared destructor is *implicitly defined* when it is used to destroy an object of its class type ([basic.stc]). A program is ill-formed ~~if the class for which a destructor is implicitly defined has~~ if the implicitly-defined constructor is explicitly defaulted, but the corresponding implicit declaration would have been deleted.

- ~~a non-static data member of class type (or array thereof) with an inaccessible destructor, or~~
- ~~a base class with an inaccessible destructor.~~

Before the implicitly-declared destructor for a class is implicitly defined, all the implicitly-declared destructors for its base classes and its non-static data members shall have been implicitly defined. [ *Note*: an implicitly-declared destructor has an *exception-specification* ([except.spec]). — *end note* ]

## 12.8 Copying class objects

[class.copy]

- 4 If the class definition does not explicitly declare a copy constructor, one is declared *implicitly*. ~~If the class is a union-like class that has a variant member with a non-trivial copy constructor, an implicitly-declared copy constructor is defined as deleted ([del.fct.def]).~~ Thus, for the class definition

```
struct X {
    X(const X&, int);
};
```

a copy constructor is implicitly-declared. If the user-declared constructor is later defined as

```
X::X(const X& x, int i =0) { /* ... */ }
```

then any use of *X*'s copy constructor is ill-formed because of the ambiguity; no diagnostic is required.

- 5 The implicitly-declared copy constructor for a class *X* will have the form

```
X::X(const X&)
```

if

- each direct or virtual base class *B* of *X* has a copy constructor whose first parameter is of type `const B&` or `const volatile B&`, and
- for all the non-static data members of *X* that are of a class type *M* (or array thereof), each such class type has a copy constructor whose first parameter is of type `const M&` or `const volatile M&`.<sup>3)</sup>

<sup>3)</sup> This implies that the reference parameter of the implicitly-declared copy constructor cannot bind to a `volatile lvalue`; see [diff.special].

Otherwise, the implicitly declared copy constructor will have the form

```
X : X(X&)
```

An implicitly-declared copy constructor is an inline public member of its class. An implicitly-declared copy constructor for a class X is deleted if X has:

- a variant member with a non-trivial copy constructor and X is a union-like class,
- a non-static data member of class type M (or array thereof) that cannot be copied because overload resolution (13.3), as applied to M's copy constructor, results in an ambiguity or a function that is deleted or inaccessible from the implicitly-declared copy constructor, or
- a direct or virtual base class B that cannot be copied because overload resolution (13.3), as applied to B's copy constructor, results in an ambiguity or a function that is deleted or inaccessible from the implicitly-declared copy constructor.

- 7 A non-user-provided copy constructor is *implicitly defined* if it is used to initialize an object of its class type from a copy of an object of its class type or of a class type derived from its class type<sup>4)</sup>. [Note: the copy constructor is implicitly defined even if the implementation elided its use ([class.temporary]). — end note ] A program is ill-formed ~~if the class for which a copy constructor is implicitly defined or explicitly defaulted has:~~ if the implicitly-defined copy constructor is explicitly defaulted, but the corresponding implicit declaration would have been deleted.

- ~~a non-static data member of class type (or array thereof) with an inaccessible or ambiguous copy constructor, or~~
- ~~a base class with an inaccessible or ambiguous copy constructor.~~

Before the non-user-provided copy constructor for a class is implicitly defined, all non-user-provided copy constructors for its direct and virtual base classes and its non-static data members shall have been implicitly defined. [Note: an implicitly-declared copy constructor has an *exception-specification* ([except.spec]). An explicitly-defaulted definitions has no implicit *exception-specification*. — end note ]

- 10 If the class definition does not explicitly declare a copy assignment operator, one is declared *implicitly*. ~~If the class is a union-like class that has a variant member with a non-trivial copy assignment operator, an implicitly-declared copy assignment operator is defined as deleted ([del.fct.def]).~~ The implicitly-declared copy assignment operator for a class X will have the form

```
X& X::operator=(const X&)
```

if

- each direct base class B of X has a copy assignment operator whose parameter is of type const B&, const volatile B& or B, and
- for all the non-static data members of X that are of a class type M (or array thereof), each such class type has a copy assignment operator whose parameter is of type const M&, const volatile M& or M.<sup>5)</sup>

Otherwise, the implicitly declared copy assignment operator will have the form

```
X& X::operator=(X&)
```

<sup>4)</sup> See [dcl.init] for more details on direct and copy initialization.

<sup>5)</sup> This implies that the reference parameter of the implicitly-declared copy assignment operator cannot bind to a volatile lvalue; see [diff.special].

The implicitly-declared copy assignment operator for class *X* has the return type *X*&; it returns the object for which the assignment operator is invoked, that is, the object assigned to. An implicitly-declared copy assignment operator is an inline public member of its class. An implicitly-declared copy assignment operator for class *X* is deleted if *X* has:

- a variant member with a non-trivial copy constructor and *X* is a union-like class,
- a non-static data member of const non-class type (or array thereof), or
- a non-static data member of reference type, or
- a non-static data member of class type *M* (or array thereof) that cannot be copied because overload resolution (13.3), as applied to *M*'s copy assignment operator, results in an ambiguity or a function that is deleted or inaccessible from the implicitly-declared copy assignment operator, or
- a direct or virtual base class *B* that cannot be copied because overload resolution (13.3), as applied to *B*'s copy assignment operator, results in an ambiguity or a function that is deleted or inaccessible from the implicitly-declared copy assignment operator.

Because a copy assignment operator is implicitly declared for a class if not declared by the user, a base class copy assignment operator is always hidden by the copy assignment operator of a derived class ([over.ass]). A *using-declaration* (7.3.3) that brings in from a base class an assignment operator with a parameter type that could be that of a copy-assignment operator for the derived class is not considered an explicit declaration of a copy-assignment operator and does not suppress the implicit declaration of the derived class copy-assignment operator; the operator introduced by the *using-declaration* is hidden by the implicitly-declared copy-assignment operator in the derived class.

- 12 A non-user-provided copy assignment operator is *implicitly defined* when an object of its class type is assigned a value of its class type or a value of a class type derived from its class type. A program is ill-formed ~~if the class for which a copy assignment operator is implicitly defined has:~~ if the implicitly-defined copy constructor is explicitly defaulted, but the corresponding implicit declaration would have been deleted.

- ~~a non-static data member of const type, or~~
- ~~a non-static data member of reference type, or~~
- ~~a non-static data member of class type (or array thereof) with an inaccessible copy assignment operator, or~~
- ~~a base class with an inaccessible copy assignment operator.~~

Before the non-user-provided copy assignment operator for a class is implicitly defined, all non-user-provided copy assignment operators for its direct base classes and its non-static data members shall have been implicitly defined. [ *Note:* an implicitly-declared copy assignment operator has an *exception-specification* ([except.spec]). An explicitly-defaulted definition has no implicit *exception-specification*. — end note ]

## 12.9 Inheriting Constructors

[class.inhctor]

- 2 The *constructor characteristics* of a constructor or constructor template are
- the template parameter list (14.1), if any,
  - the template requirements (14.10.1), if any,
  - the *parameter-type-list* ([decl.fct]),

- the *exception-specification* ([except.spec]),
- absence or presence of `explicit` ([class.conv.ctor]), and
- absence or presence of `constexpr` ([dcl.constexpr]).

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# Chapter 13 Overloading

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[over]

## 13.1 Overloadable declarations

[over.load]

2 Certain function declarations cannot be overloaded:

- Function declarations that differ only in the return type cannot be overloaded.
- Member function declarations with the same name ~~and~~, the same *parameter-type-list* and the same template requirements (if any), the same cannot be overloaded if any of them is a `static` member function declaration ([`class.static`]). Likewise, member function template declarations with the same name, the same parameter-type-list, ~~and~~ the same template parameter lists, and the same template requirements (if any) cannot be overloaded if any of them is a `static` member function template declaration. The types of the implicit object parameters constructed for the member functions for the purpose of overload resolution (13.3.1) are not considered when comparing parameter-type-lists for enforcement of this rule. In contrast, if there is no `static` member function declaration among a set of member function declarations with the same name and the same parameter-type-list, then these member function declarations can be overloaded if they differ in the type of their implicit object parameter. [*Example*: the following illustrates this distinction:

```
class X {
    static void f();
    void f();                // ill-formed
    void f() const;         // ill-formed
    void f() const volatile; // ill-formed
    void g();
    void g() const;         // OK: no static g
    void g() const volatile; // OK: no static g
};
```

— *end example* ]

- Member function declarations with the same name and the same *parameter-type-list* as well as member function template declarations with the same name, the same *parameter-type-list*, ~~and~~ the same template parameter lists, and the same template requirements, cannot be overloaded if any of them, but not all, have a *ref-qualifier* (8.3.5). [*Example*:

```
class Y {
    void h() &;
    void h() const &; // OK
    void h() &&; // OK, all declarations have a ref-qualifier
    void i() &;
    void f() const; // ill-formed, prior declaration of i
```

```

    };
    // has a ref-qualifier
— end example ]

```

### 13.3 Overload resolution [over.match]

#### 13.3.1 Candidate functions and argument lists [over.match.funcs]

- 1 The subclauses of 13.3.1 describe the set of candidate functions and the argument list submitted to overload resolution in each of the seven contexts in which overload resolution is used. [\[Note: With concepts \(14.9\) and constrained templates, the set of candidate functions can be determined by an associated function candidate set or a retained candidate set \(14.10.3\). — end note\]](#) The source transformations and constructions defined in these subclauses are only for the purpose of describing the overload resolution process. An implementation is not required to use such transformations and constructions.

### 13.5 Overloaded operators [over.oper]

#### 13.5.4 Function call [over.call]

- 1 [If declared in a class type](#), `operator()` shall be a non-static member function with an arbitrary number of parameters. It can have default arguments. It implements the function call syntax

*postfix-expression* ( *expression-list<sub>opt</sub>* )

where the *postfix-expression* evaluates to a class object and the possibly empty *expression-list* matches the parameter list of an `operator()` member function of the class. Thus, a call `x(arg1, ...)` is interpreted as `x.operator()(arg1, ...)` for a class object `x` of type `T` if `T::operator()(T1, T2, T3)` exists and if the operator is selected as the best match function by the overload resolution mechanism ([over.match.best]).

- 2 [If declared in a concept or concept map](#), `operator()` shall be a non-member associated function with one or more parameters. It implements the function call syntax

*postfix-expression* ( *expression-list<sub>opt</sub>* )

where the *postfix-expression* evaluates to an object and the possibly empty *expression-list* matches the parameter list of the `operator()` associated function after the first parameter of the parameter list has been removed. Thus, a call `x(arg1, ...)` is interpreted as `operator()(x, arg1, ...)` for an object `x` of type `T` if `operator()(T, T1, T2, T3)` exists and if the operator is selected as the best match function by the overload resolution mechanism ([over.match.best]).

#### 13.5.5 Subscripting [over.sub]

- 1 [If declared in a class type](#), `operator[]` shall be a non-static member function with exactly one parameter. It implements the subscripting syntax

*postfix-expression* [ *expression* ]

Thus, a subscripting expression `x[y]` is interpreted as `x.operator[](y)` for a class object `x` of type `T` if `T::operator[](T1)` exists and if the operator is selected as the best match function by the overload resolution mechanism ([over.match.best]).



- 2 If declared in a concept or concept map, operator[] shall be a non-member associated function with exactly two parameters. It implements the subscripting syntax

*postfix-expression [ expression ]*

Thus, a subscripting expression  $x[y]$  is interpreted as  $\text{operator}[](x, y)$  for an object  $x$  of type  $T$  if  $\text{operator}[](T, T1)$  exists and if the operator is selected as the best match function by the overload resolution mechanism ([over.match.best]).

### 13.5.6 Class member access

[over.ref]

- 1 If declared in a class type, operator-> shall be a non-static member function taking no parameters. It implements class member access using ->

*postfix-expression -> id-expression*

An expression  $x\text{->}m$  is interpreted as  $(x.\text{operator->}())\text{->}m$  for a class object  $x$  of type  $T$  if  $T:\text{operator->}()$  exists and if the operator is selected as the best match function by the overload resolution mechanism (13.3).

- 2 If declared in a concept or concept map, operator-> shall be a non member associated function taking exactly one parameter. It implements class member access using ->

*postfix-expression -> id-expression*

An expression  $x\text{->}m$  is interpreted as  $(\text{operator->}(x))\text{->}m$  for an object  $x$  of type  $T$  if  $\text{operator->}(T)$  exists and if the operator is selected as the best match function by the overload resolution mechanism (13.3).

### 13.6 Built-in operators

[over.built]

- 1 The candidate operator functions that represent the built-in operators defined in clause 5 are specified in this subclause. These candidate functions participate in the operator overload resolution process as described in [over.match.oper] and are used for no other purpose. **No built-in operators are defined for archetypes (14.10.2), even though template requirements naming compiler-supported concepts ([concept.support]) can classify archetypes as non-class types.** [ *Note:* because built-in operators take only operands with non-class type, and operator overload resolution occurs only when an operand expression originally has class or enumeration type, operator overload resolution can resolve to a built-in operator only when an operand has a class type that has a user-defined conversion to a non-class type appropriate for the operator, or when an operand has an enumeration type that can be converted to a type appropriate for the operator. Also note that some of the candidate operator functions given in this subclause are more permissive than the built-in operators themselves. As described in [over.match.oper], after a built-in operator is selected by overload resolution the expression is subject to the requirements for the built-in operator given in clause 5, and therefore to any additional semantic constraints given there. If there is a user-written candidate with the same name and parameter types as a built-in candidate operator function, the built-in operator function is hidden and is not included in the set of candidate functions. — *end note* ]



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# Chapter 14 Templates

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[temp]

- 1 A *template* defines a family of classes ~~or functions~~, [functions](#), or [concept maps](#), or an alias for a family of types.

*template-declaration*:

```
exportopt template < template-parameter-list > requires-clauseopt declaration
```

*template-parameter-list*:

*template-parameter*

*template-parameter-list* , *template-parameter*

The *declaration* in a *template-declaration* shall

- declare or define a function or a class, or
- define a member function, a member class or a static data member of a class template or of a class nested within a class template, or
- define a member template of a class or class template, or
- be an *alias-declaration*, or
- [define a concept map](#).

A *template-declaration* is a *declaration*. A *template-declaration* is also a definition if its *declaration* defines a function, a class, [a concept map](#), or a static data member.

- 5 A class template shall not have the same name as any other template, class, [concept](#), function, object, enumeration, enumerator, namespace, or type in the same scope (3.3), except as specified in (14.5.5). Except that a function template can be overloaded either by (non-template) functions with the same name or by other function templates with the same name ([temp.over]), a template name declared in namespace scope or in class scope shall be unique in that scope.

Add the following new paragraphs to [temp]:

- 12 [A \*template-declaration\* with a `requires` keyword is a constrained template \(14.10\). The \*requires-clause\* specifies \[template requirements \\(14.10.1\\)\]\(#\).](#)

## 14.1 Template parameters

[temp.param]

- 1 The syntax for *template-parameters* is:

*template-parameter*:

*type-parameter*

*parameter-declaration*

*type-parameter:*

```
class ...opt identifieropt
class identifieropt = type-id
typename ...opt identifieropt
typename identifieropt = type-id
template < template-parameter-list > class ...opt identifieropt
template < template-parameter-list > class identifieropt = id-expression
::opt nested-name-specifieropt concept-name ...opt identifieropt
::opt nested-name-specifieropt concept-name identifieropt = type-id
::opt nested-name-specifieropt concept-name < simple-requirement-argument-list > ...opt identifier
::opt nested-name-specifieropt concept-name < simple-requirement-argument-list > identifier = type-id
```

simple-requirement-argument-list:

```
auto
auto , template-argument-list
```

- 4 A non-type *template-parameter* shall have one of the following (optionally *cv-qualified*) types:
- integral or enumeration type,
  - pointer to object or pointer to function,
  - reference to object or reference to function,
  - pointer to member, or
  - in a constrained template (14.10), a type archetype T for which the concept requirement `NonTypeTemplateParameterType<T>` ([concept.support]) is part of the template's requirements.

Add the following new paragraph to 14.1 [temp.param]

- 18 A *type-parameter* declared with a *concept-name* is a template type parameter or parameter pack that specifies a template requirement (14.10.1) using the *simple form* of template requirements. A template type parameter or parameter pack written `::opt nested-name-specifieropt C ...opt T`, where C is a *concept-name*, is equivalent to a template type parameter or parameter pack written as `typename T` or `typename ... T`, respectively, with the template requirement or pack expansion `::opt nested-name-specifieropt C<T> ...opt` added to the template requirements. A template type parameter or parameter pack written `::opt nested-name-specifieropt C<auto, T2, T3, ..., TN>...opt T`, is equivalent to a template type parameter or parameter pack written as `typename T` or `typename ... T`, respectively, with the template requirement `::opt nested-name-specifieropt C<T, T2, T3, ..., TN>...opt` added to the template requirements. The first concept parameter of concept C shall be a type parameter, and all concept parameters not otherwise specified shall have default values.

[Example:

```
concept C<typename T> { ... }
concept D<typename T, typename U> { ... }
concept E<typename T, typename U, typename V = U> { ... }

template<C T, D<auto, T> P> void f(T, P);
// equivalent to
template<class T, class P> requires C<T> && D<P, T> void f(T, P);

template<C T, E<auto, T> P> void f(T, P);
// equivalent to
template<class T, class P> requires C<T> && E<P, T, T> void f(T, P);
```

*— end example ]*

When the *type-parameter* is a template type parameter pack, the equivalent requirement is a pack expansion (14.5.3).

[ *Example:*

```
concept C<typename T> { }

template<C... Args> void g(Args const&...);
// equivalent to
template<typename... Args> requires C<Args>... void g(Args const&...);
```

*— end example ]*

## 14.4 Type equivalence

[temp.type]

Add the following new paragraph to 14.4 [temp.type]

- 2 In a constrained **template context** (14.10), two types are the same type if some same-type requirement makes them equivalent (14.10.1).

## 14.5 Template declarations

[temp.decls]

### 14.5.1 Class templates

[temp.class]

Add the following new paragraph to 14.5.1 [temp.class]

- 5 A constrained member (9.2) in a class template is declared only in class template specializations in which its template requirements (14.10.1) are satisfied. If there exist multiple overloads of the constrained member with identical signatures, ignoring the template requirements, only the most specialized overload, as determined by partial ordering of the template requirements (14.5.6.1), will be declared in the instantiation. If partial ordering results in an ambiguity, use of the function results in an ambiguity. [ *Example:*

```
auto concept LessThanComparable<typename T> {
    bool operator<(T, T);
}

concept Radix<T> : LessThanComparable<T> { /* ... */ }

template<typename T>
class list {
    requires LessThanComparable<T> void sort(); // #1
    requires Radix<T> void sort(); // #2
};

struct X { };
concept_map Radix<int> { /* ... */ }

void f(list<float> lf, list<int> li, list<X> lX)
{
    lf.sort(); // okay: LessThanComparable<float> implicitly defined, calls #1
    li.sort(); // okay: calls #2, which is more specialized than #1
    lX.sort(); // error: no 'sort' member in list<X>
```

```
}

```

— end example ]

### 14.5.2 Member templates

[temp.mem]

- 10 A member template of a constrained class template is itself a constrained template (14.10). [Note: The template requirements of the member template are the template requirements of its enclosing constrained template and any requirements specified or implied by the member template itself. — end note ]

### 14.5.3 Variadic templates

[temp.variadic]

- 1 A *template parameter pack* is a template parameter that accepts zero or more template arguments. [Example:

```
template<class ... Types> struct Tuple { };

Tuple<> t0;           //Types contains no arguments
Tuple<int> t1;       //Types contains one argument: int
Tuple<int, float> t2; //Types contains two arguments: int and float
Tuple<0> error;      //error: 0 is not a type

```

— end example ]

[Note: a template parameter pack can also occur in a concept parameter list (14.9.1). [Example:

```
auto concept Callable<typename F, typename... Args> {
    typename result_type;
    result_type operator()(F&, Args...);
}

```

— end example ] — end note ]

- 4 A *pack expansion* is a sequence of tokens that names one or more parameter packs, followed by an ellipsis. The sequence of tokens is called the *pattern of the expansion*; its syntax depends on the context in which the expansion occurs. Pack expansions can occur in the following contexts:

- In an *expression-list* (5.2); the pattern is an *assignment-expression*.
- In an *initializer-list* ([dcl.init]); the pattern is an *initializer-clause*.
- In a *base-specifier-list* ([class.derived]); the pattern is a *base-specifier*.
- In a *mem-initializer-list* ([class.base.init]); the pattern is a *mem-initializer*.
- In a *template-argument-list* ([temp.arg]); the pattern is a *template-argument*.
- In an *exception-specification* ([except.spec]); the pattern is a *type-id*.
- In a *requirement-list* (14.10.1); the pattern is a *requirement*.

- 6 The instantiation of an expansion produces a **comma-separated** list  $E_1, \oplus E_2, \oplus \dots, \oplus E_N$ , where  $N$  is the number of elements in the pack expansion parameters and  $\oplus$  is the syntactically-appropriate separator for the list. Each  $E_i$  is generated by instantiating the pattern and replacing each pack expansion parameter with its  $i$ th element. All of the  $E_i$  become elements in the enclosing list. [Note: The variety of list varies with the context: *expression-list*, *base-specifier-list*, *template-argument-list*, *requirement-list*, etc. — end note ]

## 14.5.5 Class template partial specializations

[temp.class.spec]

9 Within the argument list of a class template partial specialization, the following restrictions apply:

- A partially specialized non-type argument expression shall not involve a template parameter of the partial specialization except when the argument expression is a simple *identifier*. [ *Example*:

```
template <int I, int J> struct A {};
template <int I> struct A<I+5, I*2> {}; // error
```

```
template <int I, int J> struct B {};
template <int I> struct B<I, I> {};    // OK
```

— *end example* ]

- The type of a template parameter corresponding to a specialized non-type argument shall not be dependent on a parameter of the specialization. [ *Example*:

```
template <class T, T t> struct C {};
template <class T> struct C<T, 1>;    // error
```

```
template< int X, int (*array_ptr)[X] > class A {};
int array[5];
template< int X > class A<X,&array> { };    // error
```

— *end example* ]

- The argument list of the specialization shall not be identical to the implicit argument list of the primary template, unless the specialization contains template requirements that are more specific (14.5.6.1) than the primary template's requirements. [ *Example*:

```
concept Hashable<typename T> { int hash(T); }

template<typename T> class X { /* ... */ }; // #6
template<typename T> requires Hashable<T> class X<T> { /* ... */ }; // #7, okay
```

— *end example* ]

The template parameter list of a specialization shall not contain default template argument values.<sup>6)</sup>

- An argument shall not contain an unexpanded parameter pack. If an argument is a pack expansion (14.5.3), it shall be the last argument in the template argument list.

10 The template requirements of a primary class template are implied (14.10.1.2) in its class template partial specializations. [ *Example*:

```
concept LessThanComparable<typename T> { /* ... */ }
concept Hashable<typename T> { /* ... */ }

template<typename T> requires LessThanComparable<T> class Y { /* ... */ };
template<typename T>
```

<sup>6)</sup> There is no way in which they could be used.

```
requires Hashable<T> // same as requires LessThanComparable<T> && Hashable<T>
class Y<T> { /* ... */ };
```

— end example ]

### 14.5.5.1 Matching of class template partial specializations

[temp.class.spec.match]

- 2 A partial specialization matches a given actual template argument list if the template arguments of the partial specialization can be deduced from the actual template argument list (14.8.2) and the deduced template arguments satisfy the partial specialization’s template requirements (if any). [Example:

```
A<int, int, 1> a1;           // uses #1
A<int, int*, 1> a2;        // uses #2, T is int, I is 1
A<int, char*, 5> a3;       // uses #4, T is char
A<int, char*, 1> a4;       // uses #5, T1 is int, T2 is char, I is 1
A<int*, int*, 2> a5;       // ambiguous: matches #3 and #5
```

```
concept_map Hashable<int> { /*...*/ }
struct Y { };
```

```
X<int> x1;                 // uses #7
X<Y> x2;                  // uses #6
```

— end example ]

- 4 In a type name that refers to a class template specialization, (e.g., `A<int, int, 1>`) the argument list must match the template parameter list of the primary template. If the primary template has template requirements, the arguments shall satisfy those requirements. The template arguments of a specialization are deduced from the arguments of the primary template.

### 14.5.5.2 Partial ordering of class template specializations

[temp.class.order]

- 2 [Example:

```
concept Con1<typename T> { }
concept Con2<typename T> : Con1<T> { }
template<int I, int J, class T> class X { };
template<int I, int J>          class X<I, J, int> { }; // #1
template<int I>                class X<I, I, int> { }; // #2
template<int I, int J, class T> requires Con1<T> class X<I, J, T> { }; // #3
template<int I, int J, class T> requires Con2<T> class X<I, J, T> { }; // #4

template<int I, int J> void f(X<I, J, int>);           // #A
template<int I>       void f(X<I, I, int>);           // #B
template<int I, int J, class T> requires Con1<T> void f(X<I, J, T>); // C
template<int I, int J, class T> requires Con2<T> void f(X<I, J, T>); // D
```

The partial specialization #2 is more specialized than the partial specialization #1 because the function template #B is more specialized than the function template #A according to the ordering rules for function templates. The partial



specialization #4 is more specialized than the partial specialization #3 because the function template D is more specialized than the function template C according to the partial ordering rules for function templates. — end example ]

### 14.5.6 Function templates

[temp.fct]

- 7 Two function templates are *equivalent* if they are declared in the same scope, have the same name, have identical template parameter lists, have identical template requirements, and have return types and parameter lists that are equivalent using the rules described above to compare expressions involving template parameters. Two function templates are *functionally equivalent* if they are equivalent except that one or more expressions that involve template parameters in the return types, **and** parameter lists, and template requirements (if any) are functionally equivalent using the rules described above to compare expressions involving template parameters. If a program contains declarations of function templates that are functionally equivalent but not equivalent, the program is ill-formed; no diagnostic is required.

#### 14.5.6.1 Partial ordering of function templates

[temp.func.order]

- 2 Partial ordering selects which of two function templates is more specialized than the other by transforming each template in turn (see next paragraph) and performing template argument deduction using the function parameter types, or in the case of a conversion function the return type. [Note: if template argument deduction succeeds, the deduced arguments were used to determine if the requirements of the template are satisfied. — end note ] The deduction process determines whether one of the templates is more specialized than the other. If so, the more specialized template is the one chosen by the partial ordering process.
- 3 To produce the transformed template, for each type, non-type, or template template parameter (including template parameter packs thereof) synthesize a unique type, value, or class template respectively and substitute it for each occurrence of that parameter in the function type of the template. When the template is a constrained template, the unique type is an archetype and concept maps for each of the requirements stated in or implied by its template requirements are also synthesized; see 14.10. [Note: because the unique types are archetypes, two template type parameters may share the same archetype due to same-type constraints. — end note ]
- 4 Using the transformed function template's function parameter list, or in the case of a conversion function its transformed return type, perform type deduction against the function parameter list (or return type) of the other function. The mechanism for performing these deductions is given in [temp.deduct.partial].

[Example:

```
template<class T> struct A { A(); };

template<class T> void f(T);
template<class T> void f(T*);
template<class T> void f(const T*);

template<class T> void g(T);
template<class T> void g(T&);

template<class T> void h(const T&);
template<class T> void h(A<T>&);
void m() {
    int *p;
    f(p);           // f(const T*) is more specialized than f(T) or f(T*)
    float x;
    g(x);           // Ambiguous: g(T) or g(T&)
```

```

A<int> z;
h(z);           // overload resolution selects h(A<T>&)
const A<int> z2;
h(z2);         // h(const T&) is called because h(A<T>&) is not callable
}

```

— end example ]

[*Note*: when two constrained templates have identical signatures (ignoring template requirements), the partial ordering is based on those template requirements. Similarly, a constrained template is more specialized than an unconstrained template because it has more stringent requirements. — end note ] [ *Example*:

```

auto concept CopyConstructible<typename T> {
    T::T(const T&);
}

template<CopyConstructible T> struct A { A(); };

concept C<typename T> { }
concept D<typename T> : C<T> { }
concept_map C<int*> { }
concept_map D<float> { }
template<typename T> concept_map D<A<T>> { }

template<class T> requires C<T> void f(T&) { } // #1
template<class T> requires D<T> void f(T&) { } // #2
template<class T> requires C<A<T>> void f(A<T>&) { } // #3
template<class T> void f(T&); // #4

void m() {
    int *p;
    f(p);           // calls #1: template argument deductions fails #2 and #3, and #1 is more specialized than #4
    float x;
    f(x);           // #2 is called because #3 is not callable and #2 is more specialized than #1 and #4
    A<int> z;
    f(z);           // ambiguous: no partial ordering between #2 and #3
}

```

— end example ]

Add the following new subsection to Template declarations [temp.decls]

### 14.5.8 Concept map templates

[temp.concept.map]

- 1 A *concept map template* defines an unbounded set of concept maps with a common set of associated function, associated type, and associated template definitions. [ *Example*:

```

concept F<typename T> {
    typename type;
    type f(T);
}

```

```

}

template<typename T>
concept_map F<T*> {
    typedef T& type;
    T& f(T*);
}

```

— end example ]

- 2 A concept map template is a constrained template (14.10) [ Note: a concept map template is a constrained template even if it does not have template requirements. — end note ]
- 3 Within the *template-argument-list* of the *concept-id* in a concept map template (including nested template argument lists), the following restrictions apply:
  - A non-type argument expression shall not involve a template parameter of the concept map except when the argument expression is a simple *identifier*.
  - The type of a template parameter corresponding to a non-type argument shall not be dependent on a parameter of the concept map.
  - The template parameter list of a concept map template shall not contain default template argument values.<sup>7)</sup>
- 4 During concept map lookup (14.10.1.1), concept map matching determines whether a particular concept map template can be used. Concept map matching matches the concept arguments in the *concept instance* to the concept arguments in the concept map template, using matching of class template partial specializations (14.5.5.1).
- 5 If more than one concept map template matches a specific *concept instance*, partial ordering of concept map templates proceeds as partial ordering of class template specializations (14.5.5.2). [ Example:

```

concept C<typename T> { }
template<typename T> requires C<T> void f(T);

template<typename T> concept_map C<T*> { /*...*/ } // #1

concept Ptr<typename T> { }
concept_map Ptr<int*> { /*...*/ }

template<typename T> requires Ptr<T> concept_map C<T> { /*...*/ } // #2

void g(int* p)
{
    f(g); // okay: concept map C<int*> instantiated from #1, which is more specialized than #2
}

```

— end example ]

When writing a template constrained; keep your parameter types plain; because with a type pattern, adaptation you will shatter; tho' the compiler has not even complained.

<sup>7)</sup> There is no way in which they could be used.

- 6 A concept map template shall satisfy the requirements of its corresponding concept (14.9.2) at the time of definition of the concept map template. [Example:

```

concept C<typename T> { }

concept F<typename T> {
    void f(T);
}

template<C T> struct X;

template<F T> void f(X<T>); // #1

template<typename T>
concept_map F<X<T>> { } // error: requirement for f(X<T>) not satisfied

template<F T>
concept_map F<X<T>> { } // okay: uses #1 to satisfy requirement for f(X<T>)

```

— end example ]

- 7 If the definition of a concept map template uses an instantiated archetype (14.10.2), and instantiation of the concept map template results in a different specialization of that class template with an incompatible definition, the program is ill-formed. The specialization is considered to have an incompatible definition if the specialization's definition causes a different definition of any associated type or associated template in the concept map, if its definition causes any of the associated function definitions to be ill-formed, or if the resulting concept map fails to satisfy the axioms of the corresponding concept. [Example:

```

concept Stack<typename X> {
    typename value_type;
    value_type& top(X&);
    // ...
}

template<typename T> struct dynarray {
    T& top();
};

template<> struct dynarray<bool> {
    bool top();
};

template<typename T>
concept_map Stack<dynarray<T>> {
    typedef T value_type;
    T& top(dynarray<T>& x) { return x.top(); }
}

template<Stack X>
void f(X& x) {

```

```

    X::value_type& t = top(x);
}

void g(dynarray<int>& x1, dynarray<bool>& x2) {
    f(x1); // okay
    f(x2); // error: Stack<dynarray<bool> > uses the dynarray<bool> class specialization
           // rather than the dynarray primary class template, and the two
           // have incompatible signatures for top()
}

```

— end example ]

- 8 A concept map template shall be declared before the first use of a concept map that would make use of the concept map template as the result of an implicit or explicit instantiation in every translation unit in which such a use occurs; no diagnostic is required.

## 14.6 Name resolution

[temp.res]

- 3 When a *qualified-id* is intended to refer to a type that is not a member of the current instantiation (14.6.2.1) and its *nested-name-specifier* is not a concept instance (14.9) and depends on a *template-parameter* (14.6.2), it shall be prefixed by the keyword `typename`, forming a *typename-specifier*. If the *qualified-id* in a *typename-specifier* does not denote a type, the program is ill-formed. When the *nested-name-specifier* refers to a concept instance, name lookup into the corresponding concept determines whether the *qualified-id* refers to a type or a value.

### 14.6.3 Non-dependent names

[temp.nondep]

Add the following new paragraph to Non-dependent names [temp.nondep]

- 2 [Note: if a template contains template requirements, name lookup of non-dependent names in ~~the template definition~~ its constrained contexts (14.10) can find the names of associated functions in the requirements scope (3.3.9). — end note ]

## 14.7 Template instantiation and specialization

[temp.spec]

- 1 The act of instantiating a function, a class, a concept map, a member of a class template or a member template is referred to as *template instantiation*.
- 2 A function instantiated from a function template is called an instantiated function. A class instantiated from a class template is called an instantiated class. A concept map instantiated from a concept map template is called an instantiated concept map. A member function, a member class, or a static data member of a class template instantiated from the member definition of the class template is called, respectively, an instantiated member function, member class or static data member. A member function instantiated from a member function template is called an instantiated member function. A member class instantiated from a member class template is called an instantiated member class.

### 14.7.1 Implicit instantiation

[temp.inst]

- 5 If the overload resolution process can determine the correct function to call without instantiating a class template definition or concept map template definition, it is unspecified whether that instantiation actually takes place. [Example:

```

template <class T> struct S {
    operator int();
};

```

```

void f(int);
void f(S<int>&);
void f(S<float>);

void g(S<int>& sr) {
    f(sr);                // instantiation of S<int> allowed but not required
    // instantiation of S<float> allowed but not required
};

```

— end example ]

- 9 An implementation shall not implicitly instantiate a function template, a member template, a non-virtual member function, [concept map template](#), a member class or a static data member of a class template that does not require instantiation. It is unspecified whether or not an implementation implicitly instantiates a virtual member function of a class template if the virtual member function would not otherwise be instantiated. The use of a template specialization in a default argument shall not cause the template to be implicitly instantiated except that a class template may be instantiated where its complete type is needed to determine the correctness of the default argument. The use of a default argument in a function call causes specializations in the default argument to be implicitly instantiated.
- 10 Implicitly instantiated class, [concept map](#), and function template specializations are placed in the namespace where the template is defined. Implicitly instantiated specializations for members of a class template are placed in the namespace where the enclosing class template is defined. Implicitly instantiated member templates are placed in the namespace where the enclosing class or class template is defined. [ *Example*:

```

namespace N {
    template<class T> class List {
    public:
        T* get();
        // ...
    };
}

template<class K, class V> class Map {
    N::List<V> lt;
    V get(K);
    // ...
};

void g(Map<char*,int>& m)
{
    int i = m.get("Nicholas");
    // ...
}

```

a call of `lt.get()` from `Map<char*,int>::get()` would place `List<int>::get()` in the namespace `N` rather than in the global namespace. — end example ]

Add the following new paragraph to [temp.inst]

- 15 If no concept map exists for a given concept instance, and there exists a concept map template that matches the concept instance, the concept map is implicitly instantiated when the concept map is referenced in a context that requires the

concept map definition, either to satisfy a concept requirement (14.10.1) or when name lookup finds a concept map member.

### 14.7.2 Explicit specialization

[temp.expl.spec]

Add the following new paragraph to [temp.expl.spec]:

- 23 [Note: The template arguments provided for an explicit specialization shall satisfy the template requirements of the primary template (14.5.5.1). [Example:

```
concept C<typename T> { }
concept_map C<float> { }

template<typename T> requires C<T> void f(T);

template<> void f<float>(float); // okay: concept_map C<float> satisfies requirement
template<> void f<int>(int); // ill-formed: no concept map satisfies the requirement for C<int>
```

— end example ] — end note ]

## 14.8 Function template specializations

[temp.fct.spec]

### 14.8.2 Template argument deduction

[temp.deduct]

- 2 When an explicit template argument list is specified, the template arguments must be compatible with the template parameter list and must result in a valid function type as described below; otherwise type deduction fails. Specifically, the following steps are performed when evaluating an explicitly specified template argument list with respect to a given function template:

- The specified template arguments must match the template parameters in kind (i.e., type, non-type, template). There must not be more arguments than there are parameters, unless at least one parameter is a template parameter pack, and there shall be an argument for each non-pack parameter. Otherwise type deduction fails.
- Non-type arguments must match the types of the corresponding non-type template parameters, or must be convertible to the types of the corresponding non-type parameters as specified in [temp.arg.nontype], otherwise type deduction fails.
- All references in the function type [and template requirements](#) of the function template to the corresponding template parameters are replaced by the specified template argument values. If a substitution in a template parameter, [the template requirements \(if any\)](#), or in the function type of the function template results in an invalid type, type deduction fails. [Note: The equivalent substitution in exception specifications is done only when the function is instantiated, at which point a program is ill-formed if the substitution results in an invalid type.] Type deduction may fail for the following reasons:
  - Attempting to instantiate a pack expansion containing multiple parameter packs of differing lengths.
  - Attempting to create an array with an element type that is void, a function type, a reference type, or an abstract class type, or attempting to create an array with a size that is zero or negative. [Example:

```
template <class T> int f(T[5]);
int I = f<int>(0);
int j = f<void>(0); // invalid array
```

— *end example* ]

- Attempting to use a type that is not a class type in a qualified name. [ *Example:*

```
template <class T> int f(typename T::B*);
int i = f<int>(0);
```

— *end example* ]

- Attempting to use a type in a nested-name-specifier of a qualified-id when that type does not contain the specified member, or
  - the specified member is not a type where a type is required, or
  - the specified member is not a template where a template is required, or
  - the specified member is not a non-type where a non-type is required.

[ *Example:*

```
template <int I> struct X { };
template <template <class T> class> struct Z { };
template <class T> void f(typename T::Y*){}
template <class T> void g(X<T::N>*){}
template <class T> void h(Z<T::template TT>*){}
struct A {};
struct B { int Y; };
struct C {
    typedef int N;
};
struct D {
    typedef int TT;
};

int main()
{
    // Deduction fails in each of these cases:
    f<A>(0); // A does not contain a member Y
    f<B>(0); // The Y member of B is not a type
    g<C>(0); // The N member of C is not a non-type
    h<D>(0); // The TT member of D is not a template
}
```

— *end example* ]

- Attempting to create a pointer to reference type.
- Attempting to create a reference to void.
- Attempting to create “pointer to member of T” when T is not a class type. [ *Example:*

```
template <class T> int f(int T::*);
int i = f<int>(0);
```



— *end example* ]

- Attempting to give an invalid type to a non-type template parameter. [ *Example:*

```
template <class T, T> struct S {};
template <class T> int f(S<T, T()>*&);
struct X {};
int i0 = f<X>(0);
```

— *end example* ]

- Attempting to perform an invalid conversion in either a template argument expression, or an expression used in the function declaration. [ *Example:*

```
template <class T, T*> int f(int); int i2 = f<int,1>(0); // can't conv 1 to int*
```

— *end example* ]

- Attempting to create a function type in which a parameter has a type of void.
- Attempting to use a type in a *nested-name-specifier* of a *qualified-id* that refers to a member in a concept instance, for which there is no concept map lookup (14.10.1.1) does not find a concept map corresponding to that concept instance.
- Attempting to use a class or function template with template arguments that do not are not used to satisfy the template requirements. [ *Example:*

```
concept C<typename T> { /* ... */ }

template<typename T> requires C<T> class X { /*... */ };

template<typename T> int f(X<T>*&); // #1
template<typename> int f(...); // #2
int i0 = f<int>(0); // okay: calls #2
```

— *end example* ]

- If the specified template arguments do not satisfy the requirements of the template (14.10.1), type deduction fails.
- If a concept requirement appears (directly or indirectly) multiple times in the requirements of the template, the program is ill-formed and if the concept maps (14.9.2) used to satisfy the multiple occurrences of the concept requirement are not the same concept map or are different from the concept map that would be determined by concept map lookup (14.10.1.1), type deduction fails. [ *Example:*

```
concept A<typename T> { }
concept B<typename T> {
    typename X;
    requires A<X>;
}
concept C<typename T> {
    typename X;
    requires A<X>;
}
```

```

namespace N1 {
    concept_map A<int> { } // #1
    concept_map B<int> { } // uses #1 to satisfy the requirement for A<int>
}
namespace N2 {
    concept_map A<int> { } // #2
    concept_map C<int> { } // uses #2 to satisfy the requirement for A<int>
}
template<typename T> requires B<T> && C<T>
struct S { };
using N1::concept_map B<int>;
using N2::concept_map C<int>;
S<int> s; // ill-formed, two different concept maps for A<int>, #1 and #2

```

— end example ]

Add the following new sections to 14 [temp]:

## 14.9 Concepts

[concept]

- 1 Concepts describe an abstract interface that can be used to constrain templates (14.10). Concepts state certain syntactic and semantic requirements (14.9.1) on a set of template type, non-type, and template template parameters.

concept-id:

concept-name < template-argument-list<sub>opt</sub> >

concept-name:

identifier

- 2 A *concept-id* names a specific use of a concept by its *concept-name* and a set of concept arguments. The concept and its concept arguments, together, are referred to as a *concept instance*. [Example: CopyConstructible<int> is a *concept-id* if name lookup (3.4) determines that the identifier CopyConstructible refers to a *concept-name*; then, CopyConstructible<int> is a concept instance that refers to the CopyConstructible concept used with the type int. — end example ]
- 3 A *concept* is a *constrained template* (14.10). The template requirements for the concept consist of a concept requirement for the concept's concept instance (14.10.1) and the template requirements implied by that concept requirement (14.10.1.2).

### 14.9.1 Concept definitions

[concept.def]

- 1 The grammar for a *concept-definition* is:

concept-definition:

auto<sub>opt</sub> concept identifier < template-parameter-list > refinement-clause<sub>opt</sub> concept-body ;<sub>opt</sub>

- 2 *Concept-definitions* are used to declare *concept-names*. A *concept-name* is inserted into the scope in which it is declared immediately after the *concept-name* is seen. A concept is considered defined after the closing brace of its *concept-body*. A *full concept name* is an identifier that is treated as if it were composed of the concept name and the sequence of its enclosing namespaces.
- 3 Concepts shall only be defined at namespace scope.

- 4 A *concept-definition* that starts with `auto` defines an *implicit concept*, otherwise it defines an *explicit concept*.
- 5 The *template-parameter-list* of a *concept-definition* shall not contain any requirements specified in the simple form (14.10.1).

6

*concept-body*:

{ *concept-member-specification<sub>opt</sub>* }

*concept-member-specification*:

*concept-member-specifier* *concept-member-specification<sub>opt</sub>*

*concept-member-specifier*:

*associated-function*

*type-parameter* ;

*associated-requirements*

*axiom-definition*

The body of a concept contains associated functions (14.9.1.1), associated types (14.9.1.2), associated templates, associated requirements (14.9.1.3), and axioms (14.9.1.3). A name `x` declared in the body of a concept shall refer to only one of: an associated type, an associated template, an axiom, ~~the name of the concept~~, or one or more associated functions that have been overloaded (clause 13).

### 14.9.1.1 Associated functions

[concept.fct]

- 1 Associated functions describe functions, member functions, or operators (including templates thereof) that specify the functional behavior of the concept arguments and associated types and templates (14.9.1.2). A concept map (14.9.2) for a given concept must provide, either implicitly (14.9.2) or explicitly (14.9.2.1), definitions for satisfy each associated function in the concept (14.9.2.1).

*associated-function*:

*simple-declaration*

*function-definition*

*template-declaration*

- 2 An *associated-function* shall declare a function or function template. If the *declarator-id* of the declaration is a *qualified-id*, its *nested-name-specifier* shall name a template parameter of the enclosing concept; the declaration declares a member function or member function template. An associated function shall not be `extern` or `static` ([dcl.stc]), `inline` ([dcl.fct.spec]), explicitly-defaulted or deleted ([dcl.fct.def]), or a friend function ([class.friend]). An associated function shall not contain an *exception-specification* ([except.spec]).
- 3 Associated functions may specify requirements for non-member functions and operators. [ *Example*:

```
concept Monoid<typename T> {
    T operator+(T, T);
    T identity();
}
```

— end example ]

- 4 With the exception of the assignment operator ([over.ass]) and operators `new`, `new []`, `delete`, and `delete []`, associated functions shall specify requirements for operators as non-member functions. [ *Note*: This restriction applies even to the

operators `()`, `[]`, and `->`, which can otherwise only be declared as non-static member functions (13.5): [ *Example:*

```
concept Convertible<typename T, typename U> {
    operator U(T); // okay: conversion from T to U
    T::operator U*() const; // error: cannot specify requirement for member operator
}
```

*— end example ] — end note ]*

- 5 Associated functions may specify requirements for static or non-static member functions, constructors, and destructors.

[ *Example:*

```
concept Container<typename X> {
    X::X(int n);
    X::~~X();
    bool X::empty() const;
    static size_t X::max_size();
}
```

*— end example ]*

- 6 Associated functions may specify requirements for `new` and `delete`. [ *Example:*

```
concept HeapAllocatable<typename T> {
    void* T::operator new(std::size_t);
    void* T::operator new[](std::size_t);
    void T::operator delete(void*);
    void T::operator delete[](void*);
}
```

*— end example ]*

- 7 Associated functions may specify requirements for function templates and member function templates. [ *Example:*

```
concept Sequence<typename X> {
    typename value_type;

    template<InputIterator Iter>
    requires Convertible<InputIterator<Iter>::value_type, Sequence<X>::value_type>
    X::X(Iter first, Iter last);
};
```

*— end example ]*

- 8 Concepts may contain overloaded associated functions (clause 13). [ *Example:*

```
concept C<typename X> {
    void f(X);
    void f(X, X); // okay
    int f(X, X); // error: differs only by return type
};
```

— end example ]

- 9 Associated member functions with the same name and the same *parameter-type-list*, as well as associated member function templates with the same name, the same *parameter-type-list*, the same template parameter lists, and the same template requirements (if any), cannot be overloaded if any of them, but not all, have a *ref-qualifier* (8.3.5).
- 10 Associated functions may have a default implementation. This implementation will be instantiated when *implicit definition of an implementation* (14.9.2) *for* needed to satisfy the associated function *requirement* (14.9.2.1) fails. A default implementation of an associated function is a constrained template (14.10). [ *Example:*

```
concept EqualityComparable<typename T> {
    bool operator==(T, T);
    bool operator!=(T x, T y) { return !(x == y); }
};

class X {};
bool operator==(const X&, const X&);

concept_map EqualityComparable<X> { }; // okay, operator!= uses default
```

— end example ]

### 14.9.1.2 Associated types and templates

[concept.assoc]

- 1 Associated types and associated templates are types and templates, respectively, defined in the concept body and used in the description of the concept.
- 2 An associated type specifies a type in a concept body. Associated types are typically used to express the parameter and return types of associated functions. [ *Example:*

```
concept Callable1<typename F, typename T1> {
    typename result_type;
    result_type operator()(F&&, T1);
}
```

— end example ]

- 3 An associated template specifies a template in a concept map. [ *Example:*

```
concept C<typename T> {
    template<ObjectType U> class X;
}
```

— end example ]

- 4 Associated types and templates may be provided with a default value. The default value will be used to define the associated type or template when no corresponding definition is provided in a concept map (14.9.2.2). [ *Example:*

```
concept Iterator<typename Iter> {
    typename difference_type = int;
}

concept_map Iterator<int*> { } // okay, difference_type is int
```

— end example ]

- 5 Associated types may use the simple form to specify requirements (14.10.1) on the associated type. The simple form is equivalent to a declaration of the associated type followed by an associated requirement (14.9.1.3) stated using the general form (14.10.1). [ Example:

```
concept InputIterator<typename Iter> { /* ... */ }

concept Container<typename X> {
    InputIterator iterator; // same as typename iterator; requires InputIterator<iterator>;
}
```

— end example ]

### 14.9.1.3 Associated requirements

[concept.req]

- 1 Associated requirements place additional requirements on concept parameters, associated types, and associated templates. Associated requirements have the same form and behavior as template requirements in a constrained template (14.10).

associated-requirements:  
requires-clause ;

[ Example:

```
concept Iterator<typename Iter> {
    typename difference_type;
    requires SignedIntegral<difference_type>;
}
```

— end example ]

### 14.9.1.4 Axioms

[concept.axiom]

- 1 Axioms allow the expression of the semantic properties of concepts.

axiom-definition:  
requires-clause<sub>opt</sub> axiom identifier ( parameter-declaration-clause ) axiom-body

axiom-body:  
{ axiom-seq<sub>opt</sub> }

axiom-seq:  
axiom axiom-seq<sub>opt</sub>

axiom:  
expression-statement  
if ( expression ) expression-statement

An axiom-definition defines a new semantic axiom whose name is specified by its identifier. [ Example:

```
concept Semigroup<typename Op, typename T> : CopyConstructible<T> {
    T operator()(Op, T, T);

    axiom Associativity(Op op, T x, T y, T z) {
```

```

    op(x, op(y, z)) == op(op(x, y), z);
  }
}

concept Monoid<typename Op, typename T> : Semigroup<Op, T> {
  T identity_element(Op);

  axiom Identity(Op op, T x) {
    op(x, identity_element(op)) == x;
    op(identity_element(op), x) == x;
  }
}

```

— end example ]

- 2 Within the body of an *axiom-definition*, equality (==) and inequality (!=) operators are available for each concept type parameter and associated type T. These implicitly-defined operators have the form:

```

bool operator==(const T&, const T&);
bool operator!=(const T&, const T&);

```

[ Example:

```

concept CopyConstructible<typename T> {
  T::T(const T&);

  axiom CopyEquivalence(T x) {
    T(x) == x; // okay, uses implicit ==
  }
}

```

— end example ]

- 3 Name lookup within an axiom will only find the implicitly-declared == and != operators if the corresponding operation is not declared as an associated function (14.9.1.1) in the concept, one of the concepts it refines (14.9.3), or in an associated requirement (14.9.1.3). [ Example:

```

concept EqualityComparable<typename T> {
  bool operator==(T, T);
  bool operator!=(T, T);

  axiom Reflexivity(T x) {
    x == x; // okay: refers to EqualityComparable<T>::operator==
  }
}

```

— end example ]

- 4 Where axioms state the equality of two expressions, implementations are permitted to replace one expression with the other. [ Example:

```
template<typename Op, typename T> requires Monoid<Op, T>
  T identity(const Op& op, const T& t) {
    return op(t, identity_element(op)); // equivalent to "return t;"
  }
```

— end example ]

- 5 Axioms can state conditional semantics using if statements. The *expression* is contextually converted to `bool` (clause [conv]). When the condition can be proven true, and the *expression-statement* states the equality of two expressions, implementations are permitted to replace one expression with the other. [ Example:

```
concept TotalOrder<typename Op, typename T> {
  bool operator()(Op, T, T);

  axiom Antisymmetry(Op op, T x, T y) { if (op(x, y) && op(y, x)) x == y; }
  axiom Transitivity(Op op, T x, T y, T z) { if (op(x, y) && op(y, z)) op(x, z) == true; }
  axiom Totality(Op op, T x, T y) { (op(x, y) || op(y, x)) == true; }
}
```

— end example ]

- 6 An axiom containing a *requires-clause* only applies when the specified template requirements are satisfied. [ Example:

```
concept EqualityComparable2<typename T, typename U = T> {
  bool operator==(T, U);
  bool operator!=(T, U);

  requires SameType<T, U> axiom Reflexivity(T x) {
    x == x; // okay: T and U have the same type
  }
}
```

— end example ]

- 7 Whether an implementation replaces any expression according to an axiom is implementation-defined. With the exception of such substitutions, the presence of an axiom shall have no effect on the observable behavior of the program. [ Note: the intent of axioms is to provide a mechanism to express the semantics of concepts. Such semantic information can be used for optimization, software verification, software testing, and other program analyses and transformations, all of which are outside the scope of this International Standard. — end note ]

### 14.9.2 Concept maps

[concept.map]

- 1 The grammar for a *concept-map-definition* is:



concept-map-definition:

concept\_map : : *opt* nested-name-specifier<sub>*opt*</sub> concept-id { concept-map-member-specification<sub>*opt*</sub> } ; *opt*

concept-map-member-specification:

concept-map-member concept-map-member-specification<sub>*opt*</sub>

concept-map-member:

simple-declaration

function-definition

template-declaration

- 2 Concept maps describe how a set of template arguments satisfy the requirements stated in the body of a concept definition (14.9.1). Whenever a constrained template specialization (14.10) is named, there shall be a concept map corresponding to that satisfies each concept requirement in the template requirements (14.10.1.1). This concept map may be written explicitly (14.9.2), instantiated from a concept map template (14.5.8), or generated implicitly (14.9.2). The concept map is inserted into the scope in which the concept map or concept map template (14.5.8) is defined immediately after the *concept-id* is seen. The name of the concept map is the full concept name of the concept in the corresponding concept instance. [Example:

```
class student_record {
public:
    string id;
    string name;
    string address;
};

concept EqualityComparable<typename T> {
    bool operator==(T, T);
}

concept_map EqualityComparable<student_record> {
    bool operator==(const student_record& a, const student_record& b) {
        return a.id == b.id;
    }
};

template<typename T> requires EqualityComparable<T> void f(T);

f(student_record()); // okay, have concept_map EqualityComparable<student_record>
```

— end example ]

- 3 A concept map that is not a concept map archetype may contain two kinds of members: *requirement members* and *satisfier members*.
- 4 A requirement member represents a requirement to satisfy (as described below) a single associated function (14.9.1.1), associated type or associated template (14.9.1.2) from the corresponding concept. The set of requirement members is the set of associated functions, associated types and associated templates from the concept after substitution of the concept parameters with the corresponding concept arguments. [Note: There is no way to explicitly declare a requirement member. — end note ]

- 5 The *concept-map-member-specification* in a *concept-map-definition* declares the full set of satisfier members of the concept map; no satisfier member can be added elsewhere.
- 6 After a requirement is satisfied, the requirement member serves as a synonym for the set of entities (possibly satisfier members) that satisfies the requirement. Each requirement member is visible during qualified name lookup (3.4.3.3).
- 7 A satisfier member shall satisfy ([*concept.map.fct*], [*concept.map.assoc*]) at least one requirement member of its enclosing concept map or at least one unsatisfied requirement member from a refined concept map. A satisfier member cannot be found by any form of name lookup (3.4).
- 8 A concept map archetype (14.10.2) does not contain any requirement members or satisfier members. The set of members of a concept map archetype is the set of associated functions, associated types and associated templates from the concept after substitution of the concept parameters with the corresponding concept arguments of the concept map archetype. Within a constrained template, these members are treated as if they were real functions, types and templates for the purposes of syntactic and semantic analysis.
- 9 Concept maps shall provide a definition for every associated function (14.9.1.1), associated type (14.9.1.2), and associated templatesatisfy every associated function (14.9.1.1), associated type and associated template requirement (14.9.1.2) of the concept named by its concept instance and all of the requirements inherited from its refined concepts instances (14.9.3). [ *Example*:

```
concept C<typename T, typename U> { T f(T); U f(U); }

concept_map C<int, int> {
    int f(int); // okay: matches requirement for f in concept instance C<int, int>
}
```

— end example ]

- 10 Concept maps shall not contain declarations that do not satisfy any requirement in their corresponding concept or its refined concepts. [ *Example*:

```
concept C<typename T> { }
```

```
concept_map C<int> {
    int f(int); // error: no requirement for function f
}
```

— end example ]

- 11 At the point of definition of a concept map, all associated requirements (14.9.1.3) of the corresponding concept and its refined concepts (14.9.3) shall be satisfied (14.10.1.1). [ *Example*:

```
concept SignedIntegral<typename T> { /* ... */ }
```

```
concept ForwardIterator<typename Iter> {
    typename difference_type;
    requires SignedIntegral<difference_type>;
}
```

```
concept_map SignedIntegral<ptrdiff_t> { };
```

```

concept_map ForwardIterator<int*> {
    typedef ptrdiff_t difference_type;
} // okay: there exists a concept_map SignedIntegral<ptrdiff_t>

class file_iterator { ... };

concept_map ForwardIterator<file_iterator> {
    typedef long difference_type;
} // error: no concept_map SignedIntegral<long> if ptrdiff_t is not long

```

— end example ]

- 12 A concept map for an implicit concept is implicitly defined when it is needed by concept map lookup (14.10.1.1). If any requirement of the concept or its refinements is not satisfied by the implicitly-defined concept map, concept map lookup fails. The implicitly-defined concept map is defined in the namespace of the concept. [ Example:

```

auto concept Addable<typename T> {
    T::T(const T&);
    T operator+(T, T);
}

template<typename T>
requires Addable<T>
T add(T x, T y) {
    return x + y;
}

int f(int x, int y) {
    return add(x, y); // okay: concept map Addable<int> implicitly defined
}

```

— end example ]

- 13 [ Note: Failure to implicitly define a concept map does not imply that the program is ill-formed. — end note ] [ Example:

```

auto concept F<typename T> {
    void f(T);
}

auto concept G<typename T> {
    void g(T);
}

template<typename T> requires F<T> void h(T); // #1
template<typename T> requires G<T> void h(T); // #2

struct X { };
void g(X);

void func(X x) {

```

```

    h(x); // okay: implicit concept map F<X> fails, causing template argument deduction to fail for #1; calls #2
}

```

— end example ]

- 14 If a concept map is provided for a particular concept instance, then that concept map shall be defined before a constrained template referring to that concept instance is instantiated. If the introduction of a concept map changes a previous result (e.g., in template argument deduction (14.8.2)), the program is ill-formed, no diagnostic required. Concept map templates must be instantiated if doing so would affect the semantics of the program. A concept map for a particular concept instance shall not be defined both implicitly and explicitly in the same namespace in a program. If one translation unit of a program contains an explicitly-defined concept map for that concept instance, and a different translation unit contains an implicitly-defined concept map for that concept instance, then the program is ill-formed, no diagnostic required.
- 15 The implicit or explicit definition of a concept map asserts that the axioms (14.9.1.4) stated in its corresponding concept (and the refinements of that concept) hold, permitting an implementation to perform the transformations described in 14.9.1.4. If an axiom is violated, the behavior of the program is undefined.

#### 14.9.2.1 Associated function definitions

[concept.map.fct]

- 1 Function definitions in the concept map can be used to adapt the syntax of the concept arguments to the syntax expected by the concept. [Example:

```

concept Stack<typename S> {
    typename value_type;
    bool empty(S const&);
    void push(S&, value_type);
    void pop(S&);
    value_type& top(S&);
}

// Make a vector behave like a stack
template<Regular T>
concept_map Stack<std::vector<T> > {
    typedef T value_type;
    bool empty(std::vector<T> const& vec) { return vec.empty(); }
    void push(std::vector<T>& vec, value_type const& value) {
        vec.push_back(value);
    }
    void pop(std::vector<T>& vec) { vec.pop_back(); }
    value_type& top(std::vector<T>& vec) { return vec.back(); }
}

```

— end example ]

- 2 A function or function template defined in a concept map is *inline*.
- 3 An associated function (or function template) requirement is satisfied as follows. Given an associated function (call it *f*), let *R* be the return type of *f*, after substitution of concept arguments for their corresponding concept parameters. Construct an expression *E* in the scope of the concept map, defined below. Then, the associated function requirement is satisfied if:

- if  $R$  is *cv* void and the expression  $E$  is well-formed,
- if  $R$  is not *cv* void and the expression “ $E$  implicitly converted to  $R$ ” is well-formed, or
- if  $f$  has a default implementation.

- 4 The expression  $E$  is defined differently depending on the associated function and the concept map definition. Let  $\text{parm}1, \text{parm}2, \dots, \text{parm}N$  be the parameters of  $f$  (after substitution of the concept map arguments) and  $\text{parm}1', \text{parm}2', \dots, \text{parm}N'$  be expressions, where each  $\text{parm}i'$  is an *id-expression* naming  $\text{parm}i$ . If the declared type of  $\text{parm}i$  is an lvalue reference type, then  $\text{parm}i'$  is treated as an lvalue, otherwise,  $\text{parm}i'$  is treated as an rvalue.

For an associated member function (or member function template) in a type  $X$  (after substitution of the concept map arguments into the associated member function or member function template), let  $x$  be an object of type *cv*  $X$ , where *cv* are the *cv-qualifiers* on the associated member function (or member function template). If the requirement has no *ref-qualifier* or if its *ref-qualifier* is  $\&$ ,  $x$  is an lvalue; otherwise,  $x$  is an rvalue.

The expression  $E$  is defined as follows:

- If  $f$  is an associated non-member function or function template and the concept map contains one or more function or function template definitions with the same name as  $f$ ,  $E$  is  $f(\text{parm}1', \text{parm}2', \dots, \text{parm}N')$ , and the overload set of entities  $f$  consists of the definitions of  $f$  in the concept map (and unqualified lookup 3.4.1 and argument dependent lookup [basic.lookup.argdep] are suppressed),
- if  $f$  is a non-static associated member function and the concept map contains one or more member function or member function template definitions in the type  $X$  and with the same name as  $f$ ,  $E$  is  $x.f(\text{parm}1', \text{parm}2', \dots, \text{parm}N')$ , where name lookup of  $x.f$  refers to the definitions of  $X::f$  in the concept map,
- if  $f$  is a static associated member function and the concept map contains one or more member function or member function template definitions in the type  $X$  and with the same name as  $f$ ,  $E$  is  $X::f(\text{parm}1', \text{parm}2', \dots, \text{parm}N')$ , where name lookup of  $X::f$  refers to the static definitions of  $X::f$  in the concept map,
- if the associated function or function template is a prefix unary operator  $Op$ ,  $E$  is  $Op \text{parm}1'$ ,
- if the associated function or function template is a postfix unary operator  $Op$ ,  $E$  is  $\text{parm}1' Op$ ,
- if the associated function or function template is a binary operator  $Op$ ,  $E$  is  $\text{parm}1' Op \text{parm}2'$ ,
- if the associated function or function template is the function call operator,  $E$  is  $\text{parm}1'(\text{parm}2', \text{parm}3', \dots, \text{parm}N')$ ,
- if the associated function is a conversion operator,  $E$  is  $\text{parm}1'$  if the conversion operator requirement is not *explicit* and  $(R)\text{parm}1'$  if the conversion operator requirement is *explicit*, where  $R$  is the return type of the conversion operator,
- if the associated function or function template is a non-member function or function template,  $E$  is an unqualified call  $f(\text{parm}1', \text{parm}2', \dots, \text{parm}N')$ ,
- if the associated function or function template is a static member function or function template in the type  $X$ ,  $E$  is a call  $X::f(\text{parm}1', \text{parm}2', \dots, \text{parm}N')$ ,
- **if the constructor requirement** if the associated function is a constructor or constructor template that is *explicit* or has  $N \neq 1$  parameters,  $E$  is  $X(\text{parm}1', \text{parm}2', \dots, \text{parm}N')$ . [Example:

```

concept TwoIntConstructible<typename T> {
    T::T(int, int);
}

struct X { X(long, int); };
concept_map TwoIntConstructible<X> { } // okay: X has a constructor that can accept two ints
                                        // (the first is converted to a long)

```

— end example ]

- if the constructor requirement if the associated function is a constructor or constructor template that has one parameter (and is not `explicit`), E is “`parm1` implicitly converted to X”. [ *Example:*

```

concept IC<typename T> {
    T::T(int);
}

concept EC<typename T> {
    explicit T::T(int);
}

struct X {
    X(int);
};

struct Y {
    explicit Y(int);
};

concept_map IC<X> { } // okay
concept_map EC<X> { } // okay
concept_map IC<Y> { } // error: cannot copy-initialize Y from an int
concept_map EC<Y> { } // okay

```

— end example ]

- if the associated function is a destructor, E is `x.~X()`. [ *Example:*

```

concept Destructible<typename T> {
    T::~T();
}

concept_map Destructible<int> { } // okay: int is not a class type

struct X { };
concept_map Destructible<X> { } // okay: X has implicitly-declared, public destructor

struct Y { private: ~Y(); };
concept_map Destructible<Y> { } // error: Y's destructor is inaccessible

```

— end example ]

- if the associated member function requirement is a requirement for an operator `new` or `new []`, E is `operator new(parm1', parm2', ..., parmN')` or `operator new [] (parm1')`, respectively. Name lookup for the allocation function occurs in the scope of X; if this lookup fails to find the name, the allocation function's name is looked up in the global scope.
  - if the associated member function requirement is a requirement for an operator `delete` or `delete []`, E is `operator delete(parm1', parm2', ..., parmN')` or `operator delete [] (parm1')`, respectively. Name lookup for the deallocation function occurs in the scope of X; if this lookup fails to find the name, the deallocation function's name is looked up in the global scope.
  - otherwise, E is `x.f(parm1', parm2', ..., parmN')`.
- 5 Each satisfied associated function (or function template) requirement has a corresponding associated function candidate set. An *associated function candidate set* is a candidate set (14.10.3) representing the functions or operations used to satisfy the requirement. The seed of the associated function candidate set is determined based on the expression E used to determine that the requirement was satisfied.
- if the evaluation of E involves overload resolution at the top level, the seed is the candidate function (13.3.1) determined by the outermost application of overload resolution (clause 13), or
  - if E is a pseudo destructor call ([`expr.pseudo`]), the seed is a *pseudo-destructor-name*, otherwise
  - the seed is the initialization of an object.

### 14.9.2.2 Associated type and template definitions

[`concept.map.assoc`]

- 1 Definitions in the concept map provide types and templates that satisfy requirements for associated types and templates (14.9.1.2), respectively.
- 2 Associated type parameter requirements are satisfied by type definitions in the body of a concept map. [ *Example*:

```
concept ForwardIterator<typename Iter> {
    typename difference_type;
}

concept_map ForwardIterator<int*> {
    typedef ptrdiff_t difference_type;
}
```

— *end example* ]

- 3 Associated template requirements are satisfied by class template definitions or template aliases ([`temp.alias`]) in the body of the concept map. [ *Example*:

```
concept Allocator<typename Alloc> {
    template<class T> class rebind;
}

template<typename T>
concept_map Allocator<my_allocator<T>> {
    template<class U>
```

```

class rebind {
public:
    typedef my_allocator<U> type;
};
};

```

— *end example* ]

- 4 A concept map member that satisfies an associated type or template requirement can be implicitly defined using template argument deduction (14.8.2) with one or more associated function requirements (14.9.2.1). The definition of the associated type or template is determined using the rules of template argument deduction from a type ([temp.deduct.type]). Let P be the return type of an associated function after substitution of the concept parameters specified by the concept map with their concept arguments, and where each undefined associated type and associated template has been replaced with a newly invented type or template template parameter, respectively. Let A be the return type of the seed in the associated function candidate set corresponding to the associated function. If the deduction fails, no concept map members are implicitly defined by that associated function. If the results of deduction produced by different associated functions yield more than one possible value, that associated type or template is not implicitly defined. [ *Example:*

```

auto concept Dereferenceable<typename T> {
    typename value_type;
    value_type& operator*(T&);
}

template<typename T> requires Dereferenceable<T> void f(T&);

void g(int* x) {
    f(x); // okay: Dereferenceable<int*> implicitly defined
        // implicitly-defined Dereferenceable<int*>::operator* calls built-in * for integer pointers
        // implicitly-defined Dereferenceable<int*>::value_type is int
}

```

— *end example* ]

- 5 If an associated type or template (14.9.1.2) has a default argument, a concept map member satisfying the associated type or template requirement shall be implicitly defined by substituting the concept map arguments into the default argument. If this substitution does not produce a valid type or template (14.8.2), the concept map member is not implicitly defined. [ *Example:*

```

auto concept A<typename T> {
    typename result_type = typename T::result_type;
}

auto concept B<typename T> {
    T::T(const T&);
}

template<typename T> requires A<T> void f(const T&); // #1
template<typename T> requires B<T> void f(const T&); // #2

struct X {};

```



```
void g(X x) {
    f(x); // okay: A<X> cannot satisfy result_type requirement, and is not implicitly defined, calls #2
}
```

— end example ]

### 14.9.3 Concept refinement

[concept.refine]

- 1 The grammar for a *refinement-clause* is:

*refinement-clause*:

: *refinement-specifier-list*

*refinement-specifier-list*:

*refinement-specifier* , *refinement-specifier-list*  
*refinement-specifier*

*refinement-specifier*:

::<sub>opt</sub> *nested-name-specifier*<sub>opt</sub> *concept-id*

- 2 Refinements specify an inheritance relationship among concepts. A concept B named in a *refinement-specifier* of concept D is a *refined concept* of D and D is a *refining concept* of B. A concept refinement inherits all requirements in the body of a concept (14.9.1), such that the requirements of the refining concept are a superset of the requirements of the refined concept. [Note: when a concept D refines a concept B, every set of concept arguments that satisfies the requirements of D also satisfies the requirements of B. The refinement relationship is transitive. — end note ] [Example: In the following example, EquilateralPolygon refines Polygon. Thus, every EquilateralPolygon is a Polygon, and constrained templates (14.10) that are well-formed with a Polygon constraint are well-formed when given an EquilateralPolygon.

```
concept Polygon<typename P> { /* ... */ }

concept EquilateralPolygon<typename P> : Polygon<P> { /* ... */ }
```

— end example ]

- 3 A *refinement-specifier* shall refer to a defined concept. [Example:

```
concept C<typename T> : C<vector<T>> { /* ... */ } // error: concept C is not defined
```

— end example ]

- 4 A *refinement-specifier* in the refinement clause shall not refer to associated types.

- 5 The *template-argument-list* of a *refinement-specifier*'s *concept-id* shall refer to at least one of the concept parameters. [Example:

```
concept InputIterator<typename Iter>
    : Incrementable<int> // error: Incrementable<int> uses no concept parameters
{
    // ...
}
```

— end example ]

- 6 Within the definition of a concept, a concept map archetype (14.10.2) is synthesized for each *refinement-specifier* in the concept's *refinement-clause* (if any).

### 14.9.3.1 Concept member lookup

[concept.member.lookup]

- 1 Concept member lookup determines the meaning of a name (*id-expression*) in concept scope (3.3.8). The following steps define the result of name lookup for a member name *f* in concept scope *C*.  $C_R$  is the set of concept scopes corresponding to the concepts refined by the concept whose scope is *C*.
- 2 If the name *f* is declared in concept scope *C*, and *f* refers to an associated type or template (14.9.1.2), then the result of name lookup is the associated type or template.
- 3 If the name *f* is declared in concept scope *C*, and *f* refers to one or more associated functions (14.9.1.1), then the result of name lookup is the set consisting of the associated functions in *C* in addition to the associated functions in each concept scope in  $C_R$  for which name lookup of *f* results in a set of associated functions. [ *Example*:

```
concept C1<typename T> : CopyConstructible<T> {
    T f(T); // #1
}

concept C2<typename T> {
    typename f;
}

concept D<typename T> : C1<T>, C2<T> {
    T f(T, T); // #2
}

template<typename T>
requires D<T>
void f(T x)
{
    D<T>::f(x); // name lookup finds #1 and #2, overload resolution selects #1
}
```

— end example ]

- 4 If the name *f* is not declared in *C*, name lookup searches for *f* in the scopes of each of the refined concepts ( $C_R$ ). If name lookup of *f* is ambiguous in any concept scope  $C_R$ , name lookup of *f* in *C* is ambiguous. Otherwise, the set of concept scopes  $C_{R'}$  is a subset of  $C_R$  containing only those concept scopes for which name lookup finds *f*. The result of name lookup for *f* in *C* is defined by:
  - if  $C_{R'}$  is empty, name lookup of *f* in *C* returns no result, or
  - if  $C_{R'}$  contains only a single concept scope, name lookup for *f* in *C* is the result of name lookup for *f* in that concept scope, or
  - if *f* refers to one or more functions in all of the concept scopes in  $C_{R'}$ , then *f* refers to the set consisting of all associated functions from all of the concept scopes in  $C_{R'}$ , or

- if `f` refers to an associated type in all concept scopes in  $C_{R'}$ , and all of the associated types are equivalent (14.10.1), the result is the associated type `f` found first by a depth-first traversal of the refinement clauses,
- otherwise, name lookup of `f` in `C` is ambiguous.

[*Example:*

```
concept A<typename T> { typename t; }

concept B<typename T> { typename t; }

concept C<typename T> : A<T>, B<T> {
    f(t); // error: ambiguous, the two t's are not equivalent
    f(A<T>::t); // okay
}
```

— end example ]

- 5 When name lookup in a concept scope `C` results in a set of associated functions, duplicate associated functions are removed from the set. If more than one associated function in the set has the same signature, the associated function found first by a depth-first traversal of the refinement clauses of `C` starting at `C` will be retained and the other associated functions will be removed as duplicates. [*Example:*

```
concept A<typename T> {
    T f(T); // #1a
}

concept B<typename T> {
    T f(T); // #1b
    T g(T); // #2a
}

concept C<typename T> : A<T>, B<T> {
    T g(T); // #2b
}

template<typename T>
requires C<T>
void h(T x) {
    C<T>::f(x); // overload set contains #1a; #1b was removed as a duplicate
    C<T>::g(x); // overload set contains #2b; #2a was removed as a duplicate
}
```

— end example ]

### 14.9.3.2 Implicit concept maps for refined concepts

[concept.refine.maps]

- 1 When a concept map is defined for a concept `C` that has a refinement clause, concept maps for each of the concepts refined by concept instances in the refinement clause of `C` are implicitly defined in the namespace of which the

concept map is a member unless already defined. If a concept map for a given concept instance in the refinement clause has not been defined in the namespace of the refining concept map, it is defined implicitly. [Example:

```
concept A<typename T> { }
concept B<typename T> : A<T> { }

concept_map B<int> { } // implicitly defines concept map A<int>
```

— end example ]

- 2 When a concept map is implicitly defined for a refinement, definitions in the concept map for the refining concept can also be used to satisfy the requirements of the refined concept (14.9.2). [Note: a single function definition in a concept map can be used to satisfy multiple requirements. — end note] [Example: in this example, the concept map D<int> implicitly defines the concept map C<int>.

```
concept C<typename T> {
    T f(T);
    void g(T);
}

concept D<typename T> : C<T> {
    void g(T);
}

concept_map D<int> {
    int f(int x) { return -x; } // satisfies requirement for C<int>::f
    void g(int x) { } // satisfies requirement for C<int>::g and D<int>::g
}
```

— end example ]

- 3 Concept map templates (14.5.8) are implicitly defined only for certain refinements of the concept corresponding to the concept map template. A concept map template for a particular refined concept is defined in the namespace of the concept map if all of the template parameters of the refining concept map template can be deduced from the template-argument-list of the refinement-specifier's corresponding concept instance ([temp.deduct.type]). If template argument deduction fails, then a concept map template corresponding to the refined concept shall have been defined in the namespace of the concept map. [Example:

```
concept C<typename T> { }
concept D<typename T, typename U> : C<T> { }

template<typename T> struct A { };

template<typename T> concept_map D<A<T>, T> { }
// implicitly defines:
template<typename T> concept_map C<A<T>> { }

template<typename T, typename U>
concept_map D<T, A<U>> { } // ill-formed: cannot deduce template parameter U from C<T>
// and there is no concept map template C<T>
```

— end example ]

- 4 Each concept map or concept map template shall provide only definitions corresponding to requirements of the refinements of its concept that are compatible with the definitions provided by the concept map or concept map template named by the refinement. A definition in the refining concept map or concept map template is compatible with its corresponding definition in the refined concept map or concept map template if
- the definition in the refined concept map or concept map template was implicitly defined from **an explicit definition** in the refining concept map or concept map template,
  - the definition was explicitly provided in the refined concept map or concept map template and implicitly defined in the refining concept map or concept map template, or
  - the definitions satisfy an associated type or template requirement (14.9.1.2) and both definitions name the same type or template, respectively.

If a program contains definitions in a concept map or concept map template that are not compatible with their corresponding definitions in a refined concept map or concept map template, the program is ill-formed. [Note: if the concept maps or concept map templates with definitions that are not compatible occur in different translation units, no diagnostic is required. — end note ] [Example:

```

concept C<typename T> {
    typename assoc;
    assoc f(T);
}

concept D<typename T> : C<T> {
    int g(T);
}

concept E<typename T> : D<T> { }

concept_map C<int> {
    typedef int assoc;
    int f(int x) { return x; }
}

concept_map D<int> {
    typedef int assoc; // okay: same type as C<int>::assoc
    // okay: f is not defined in D<int>
    int g(int x) { return -x; } // okay: satisfies D<int>::g
}

concept_map E<int> {
    typedef float assoc; // error: E<int>::assoc and D<int>::assoc are not the same type
    // okay: f is not defined in D<int>
    int g(int x) { return x; } // error: D<int>::g already defined in concept map D<int>
}

```

— end example ]

## 14.10 Constrained templates

[temp.constrained]

- 1 A template that has a *requires-clause* (or declares any template type parameters using the simple form of requirements (14.1)) is a *constrained template*. A constrained template can only be instantiated with template arguments that satisfy its template requirements. The template definitions of constrained templates are similarly constrained, requiring names to be found through name lookup at template definition time (3.4). [ *Note*: Names can be found in the template requirements of a constrained template (3.3.9). The practical effect of constrained templates is that they provide improved diagnostics at template definition time, such that any use of the constrained template that satisfies the template's requirements is likely to result in a well-formed instantiation. — *end note* ]
- 2 A template that is not a constrained template is an *unconstrained template*.
- 3 A *constrained context* is a part of a constrained template in which all name lookup is resolved at template definition time. Names that would be dependent outside of a constrained context shall be found in the current scope, which includes the template requirements of the constrained template (3.3.9). [ *Note*: Within a constrained context, template parameters behave as if aliased to their corresponding archetypes (14.10.2) so there are no dependent types ([temp.dep.type]), and no type-dependent values ([temp.dep.expr]) or dependent names ([temp.dep]). Instantiation in constrained contexts (14.10.4) still substitutes types, templates and values for template parameters, but the substitution does not require additional name lookup (3.4). — *end note* ] A constrained context is:
  - the body of a constrained function template,
  - the *expression* in a *decltype* type or *sizeof* or *alignof* expression that occurs within the signature of a constrained function template,
  - the *base-clause* (if any) of a constrained class template,
  - a member of a constrained class template,
  - the body of a concept map template,
  - a member of a concept map template,
  - the body of a concept,
  - a member of a concept.
- 4 Any context that is not a constrained context is an *unconstrained context*. Within a constrained context, several constructs provide unconstrained contexts:
  - a late-checked block (6.9) indicates a compound statement that is an unconstrained context,
  - a default template argument in a *template-parameter* is an unconstrained context,
  - a default argument in a *parameter-declaration*, unless that default argument occurs within a local class ([class.local]),
  - the *requires-clause*, *type-specifier*, and *declarator* of a constrained member (9.2), and
  - a member template of a constrained template (14.5.2). [ *Note*: The member template itself will still be a constrained template, and its body will be a constrained context. — *end note* ]
- 5 If a type or expression within the signature of a constrained template, the *template-parameter-list* of a constrained template, or the *requires-clause* of a constrained template (if any) would be ill-formed if the associated context were a constrained context, the program is ill-formed. [ *Example*:

```

concept C<typename T> {
    typename type;
}

template<typename T> requires C<T>
typename C<T>::type::inner_type f(T const&); // error: typename C<T>::type::inner_type would be ill-formed
// in a constrained context

```

— end example ]

- 6 Within a constrained context, a program shall not refer to an unconstrained template.

### 14.10.1 Template requirements

[temp.req]

- 1 A template has *template requirements* if it contains a *requires-clause* or any of its template parameters is specified using the simple form of requirements (14.1). Template requirements state the conditions under which the template can be used.

*requires-clause:*

```

requires requirement-list
requires ( requirement-list )

```

*requirement-list:*

```

requirement . . .opt && requirement-list
requirement . . .opt

```

*requirement:*

```

::opt nested-name-specifieropt concept-id
! ::opt nested-name-specifieropt concept-id

```

- 2 A *requires-clause* contains a list of requirements, all of which must be satisfied by the template arguments for the template. [Note: Requirement satisfaction is described in 14.10.1.1. — end note ] A *requirement* not containing a ! is a *concept requirement*. A *requirement* containing a ! is a *negative requirement*.

- 3 A concept requirement that refers to the SameType concept ([concept.support]) is a *same-type requirement*. A *same-type requirement* is satisfied when its two concept arguments refer to the same type (including the same *cv* qualifiers). In a constrained template (14.10), a *same-type requirement* SameType<T1, T2> makes the types T1 and T2 equivalent. [Note: type equivalence is a congruence relation, thus

- SameType<T1, T2> implies SameType<T2, T1>,
- SameType<T1, T2> and SameType<T2, T3> implies SameType<T1, T3>,
- SameType<T1, T1> is trivially true,
- SameType<T1\*, T2\*> implies SameType<T1, T2> and SameType<T1\*\*, T2\*\*>, etc.

— end note ] [ Example:

```

concept C<typename T> {
    typename assoc;
    assoc a(T);
}

```

```

}

concept D<typename T> {
    T::T(const T&);
    T operator+(T, T);
}

template<typename T, typename U>
requires C<T> && C<U> && SameType<C<T>::assoc, C<U>::assoc> && D<C<T>::assoc>
C<T>::assoc f(T t, U u) {
    return a(t) + a(u); //okay: C<T>::assoc and C<U>::assoc are the same type
}

```

— end example ]

- 4 A requirement followed by an ellipsis is a pack expansion (14.5.3). Requirement pack expansions place requirements on all of the arguments in one or more template parameter packs. [ Example:

```

auto concept OutputStreamable<typename T> {
    std::ostream& operator<<(std::ostream&, const T&);
}

template<typename T, typename... Rest>
requires OutputStreamable<T> && OutputStreamable<Rest>...
void print(const T& t, const Rest&... rest) {
    std::cout << t;
    print(rest);
}

template<typename T>
requires OutputStreamable<T>
void print(const T& t) {
    std::cout << t;
}

void f(int x, float y) {
    print(17, " ", " ", 3.14159); //okay: implicitly-generated OutputStreamable<int>, OutputStreamable<const char[3]>,
                                //and OutputStreamable<double>
    print(17, " ", std::cout); //error: no concept map OutputStreamable<std::ostream>
}

```

— end example ]

- 5 If the requirements of a template are inconsistent, such that no set of template arguments can satisfy all of the requirements, the program is ill-formed, no diagnostic required. [ Example:

```

concept C<typename T> { }

template<typename T>
requires C<T> && !C<T>
void f(const T&); //error: no type can satisfy both C<T> && !C<T>, no diagnostic required

```



— end example ]

### 14.10.1.1 Requirement satisfaction

[temp.req.sat]

- 1 During template argument deduction (14.8.2) against a constrained template, it is necessary to determine whether each of the requirements of the constrained template can be satisfied by the template arguments.
- 2 A concept requirement is *satisfied* if concept map lookup (described below) finds a unique concept map with the same full concept name as the concept named by the concept requirement and whose template argument list is the same as the template argument list of the concept requirement, after substitution of the constrained template’s template arguments into the concept requirement’s template argument list. Concept maps used to satisfy a concept requirement can be defined explicitly (14.9.2), instantiated from a concept map template (14.5.8), or defined implicitly (14.9.2). [Example:

```

concept A<typename T> { }
auto concept B<typename T> { T operator+(T, T); }
concept C<typename T> { }
concept D<typename T> { }

concept_map A<float> { }
concept_map B<float> { }
template<typename T> concept_map C<T*> { }
template<typename T> requires B<T> concept_map D<T> { }

template<typename T> requires A<T> void f(T);
template<typename T> requires B<T> void g(T);
template<typename T> requires C<T> void h(T);
template<typename T> requires D<T> void i(T);

struct X { };
void h(float x, int y, int X::* p, int *q) {
    f(x); // okay: uses concept map A<float>
    f(y); // error: no concept map A<int>; requirement not satisfied
    g(x); // okay: uses concept map B<float>
    g(y); // okay: implicitly defines and uses concept map B<int>
    g(p); // error: no implicit definition of concept map B<int X::*>; requirement not satisfied
    h(q); // okay: instantiates concept map C<T*> with T=int to satisfy requirement C<T>
    i(p); // error: i can't get no satisfaction; the concept map template D<T> does not apply because B<int X::*> is not satisfied
}

```

— end example ]

- 3 A negative requirement is satisfied if concept map lookup fails to find a concept map that would satisfy the corresponding concept requirement. [Note: If concept map lookup results in an ambiguity, concept map lookup halts and the negative requirement is not satisfied. — end note ] [Example:

```

concept A<typename T> { }
auto concept B<typename T> { T operator+(T, T); }

concept_map A<float> { }
concept_map B<float> { }

```

```

template<typename T> requires !A<T> void f(T);
template<typename T> requires !B<T> void g(T);

struct X { };
void h(float x, int y, int X::* p) {
    f(x); // error: concept map A<float> has been defined
    f(y); // okay: no concept map A<int>
    g(x); // error: concept map B<float> has been defined
    g(y); // error: implicitly defines concept map B<int>, requirement not satisfied
    g(p); // okay: concept map B<int X::*> cannot be implicitly defined
}

```

— end example ]

- 4 Concept map lookup attempts to find a concept map that corresponds to the concept instance (call it I) formed from the concept of a requirement and its template argument list after substitution of template arguments for their corresponding template parameters. There is an associated full concept name of I; call it N. Concept map lookup searches an ordered sequence Q (defined below) where each element is a set of concept maps called S. For each element in Q (progressing from the lowest to the highest-numbered element of Q), concept map lookup attempts to find within S

- exactly one matching non-template concept map or, if one does not exist,
- exactly one most-specific matching concept map template according to concept map matching rules (14.5.8).

If no matching concept map is found within a set S in Q, concept map lookup proceeds to the next set in Q. If partial ordering of concept map templates results in an ambiguity, concept map lookup returns no result.

- 5 When concept map lookup is performed during the instantiation of a constrained template (14.10.4), Q is defined as the following ordered sequence:

1. S is the set of concept maps, each with name N, that have replaced the concept map archetypes used in the constrained template.
2. S is the set of concept maps found by searching for N in the namespaces of which certain concept maps in (1) are members and in the associated namespaces of those namespaces ([namespace.def]); *using-directives* in those namespaces are not followed during this search. Only those concept maps in (1) that were explicitly defined or were instantiated from concept map templates are considered when determining which namespaces to search.
3. If a concept map for I can be implicitly defined (14.9.2), S contains the implicitly-defined concept map for I. Otherwise, S is empty.

[ Example:

```

concept C<typename T> { }
concept D<typename T> { }

namespace N1 {
    concept_map C<int> { }
    concept_map D<int> { }
}
namespace N2 {

```

```

template<C T> void f(T); // #1
template<C T> requires D<T> void f(T); // #2
template<C T> void g(T x) {
    f(x);
}
using N1::concept_map C<int>;
void h() {
    g(1); // inside g's call to f, concept map lookup for D<int> finds N1::D<int>; calls #2
}
}

```

— end example ]

6 In all other cases, Q is defined as the ordered sequence:

1. S is formed by performing unqualified name lookup (3.4.1) for N.
2. S is the set of concept maps found by searching for N in the namespace of which the concept of I is a member and its associated namespaces ([namespace.def]); *using-directives* in these namespaces are not followed during this search and all names found by way of *using-declarations* are ignored.
3. If a concept map for I can be implicitly defined (14.9.2), S contains the implicitly-defined concept map for I. Otherwise, S is empty.

[Note: When concept map lookup is performed within a constrained context (14.10), concept map archetypes, whose names are placed at the same scope as template parameters, can be found by unqualified lookup. — end note ]

7 If concept map lookup finds a matching concept map in a set S within Q, concept map lookup succeeds and the remaining elements of Q are ignored. [ Note: The ordering of name-finding methods in Q can effect a kind of "concept map hiding" behavior. [ Example:

```

namespace N1 {
    concept C<typename T> { }
    concept_map C<int> { } // #1

    template<C T> void f(T x);
}
namespace N2 {
    concept_map N1::C<int> { } // #2

namespace N3 {
    concept_map N1::C<int> { } // #3

    void g() {
        N1::f(1); // uses #3 to satisfy concept requirement N1::C<int>
    }
}
}
}

```

— end example ] — end note ]

- 8 [Note: Concept maps declared in the namespace of the concept itself will be found last by concept map lookup. Example:]

```
namespace N1 {
    concept C<typename T> { };
    concept_map C<int> { };
}
template<N1::C T> void f(T x);
void g() {
    f(1); // Ok, finds N1::concept_map C<int> because it is in the same namespace as concept N1::C.
}
```

— end example ] — end note ]

### 14.10.1.2 Requirement implication

[temp.req.impl]

- 1 The declaration of a constrained template implies additional template requirements that are available within the body of the template. A requirement is *implied* if the absence of that requirement would render the constrained template declaration ill-formed. Template requirements are implied from:
    - the type of a constrained function template,
    - the types named by an *exception-specification* (if any) of a constrained function template,
    - the template arguments of a constrained class template partial specialization,
    - the template arguments of a concept map template,
    - the template parameters of a constrained template,
    - the requirements of a constrained template (including implied requirements),
    - the associated requirements *and refinements* of a concept, and
    - the type of an associated function requirement.
  - 2 For every concept requirement in a template's requirements (including implied requirements), requirements for the refinements and associated requirements of the concept named by the concept instance (14.9.3, 14.9.1.3) are implied.
  - 3 The formation of types within the declaration of a constrained template implies the template requirements needed to ensure that the types themselves are well-formed within any instantiation. The following type constructions imply template requirements:
    - For every *template-id* X<A1, A2, ..., AN>, where X is a constrained template, the requirements of X (after substitution of the arguments A1, A2, ..., AN) are implied. [Example:

```
template<LessThanComparable T> class set { /* ... */ };

template<CopyConstructible T>
void maybe_add_to_set(std::set<T>& s, const T& value);
// use of std::set<T> implicitly adds requirement LessThanComparable<T>
```
- end example ]

- If the formation of a type containing an archetype T will be ill-formed due to a missing requirement C<T>, where C is a compiler-supported concept ([concept.support]), the requirement C<T> is implied. [ Example:

```
concept C<typename T> { typename assoc; }

template<typename T>
requires C<T>
C<T>::assoc //implies Returnable<C<T>::assoc>
f(T*, T&); //implies PointeeType<T> and ReferentType<T>
```

— end example ]

- For every *qualified-id* that names an associated type or template, a concept requirement for the concept instance containing that associated type or template is implied. [ Example:

```
concept Addable<typename T, typename U> {
    CopyConstructible result_type;
    result_type operator+(T, U);
}

template<CopyConstructible T, CopyConstructible U>
Addable<T, U>::result_type //implies Addable<T, U>
add(T t, U u) {
    return t + u;
}
```

- For every type archetype T that is the type of a parameter in a function type, the requirement MoveConstructible<T> is implied. — end example ]

- 4 In the definition of a **constrained** class template partial specialization, the requirements of its primary class template (14.5.5), after substitution of the template arguments of the class template partial specialization, are implied. ~~{Note: this rule ensures that a class template partial specialization of a constrained template is a constrained template, even if does not have template requirements explicitly specified. — end note}~~ If this substitution results in a requirement that does not depend on any template parameter, then the requirement must be satisfied (14.10.1); otherwise, the program is ill-formed. [ Example:

```
template<typename T>
requires EqualityComparable<T>
class simple_set { };

template<std::ObjectType T>
class simple_set<T*> //implies EqualityComparable<T*>
{
};
```

— end example ]

- 5 The template requirements for two templates are *identical* if they contain the same concept, negative, and same-type requirements in arbitrary order. Two requirements are the same if they have the same kind, name the same concept, and have the same template argument lists.

## 14.10.2 Archetypes

[temp.archetype]

- 1 An *archetype* is a non-dependent type, template, or value whose behavior is defined by the template requirements (14.10.1) of its constrained template. Within a constrained context (14.10), a template parameter behaves as if it were its archetype. [Note: this substitution of archetypes (which are not dependent) for their corresponding types, templates, or values (which would be dependent in an unconstrained template) effectively treats all types and templates (and therefore both expressions and names) in a constrained context as “non-dependent”. — end note ]
- 2 The archetype of a type is a type, the archetype of a template is a class template, and the archetype of a value is a value.
- 3 A type in a constrained template aliases an archetype if it is:
  - a template type parameter (14.1),
  - an associated type (14.9.1.2), or
  - a class template specialization involving one or more archetypes.
- 4 A template in a constrained template aliases an archetype if it is:
  - a template template parameter (14.1) or
  - an associated template (14.9.1.2).
- 5 A value in a constrained template aliases an archetype if it is a *constant-expression* (5.19) whose value depends on a template parameter.
- 6 If two types, T1 and T2, both alias archetypes and are the same (e.g., due to one or more same-type requirements (14.10.1)), then T1 and T2 alias the same archetype T'. [Note: there is no mechanism to specify the relationships between different value archetypes, because such a mechanism would introduce the need for equational reasoning within the translation process. — end note ]
- 7 An archetype T' for a type T is
  - an object type ([intro.object]), if the template contains the requirement `ObjectType<T>`,
  - a class type (clause 9), if the template contains the requirement `ClassType<T>`,
  - a class (clause 9), if the template contains the requirement `Class<T>`,
  - a union ([class.union]), if the template contains the requirement `Union<T>`,
  - a trivial type (3.9), if the template contains the requirement `TrivialType<T>`,
  - a standard layout type (3.9), if the template contains the requirement `StandardLayoutType<T>`,
  - a literal type (3.9), if the template contains the requirement `LiteralType<T>`,
  - a scalar type (3.9), if the template contains the requirement `ScalarType<T>`,
  - an integral type ([basic.fundamental]), if the template contains the requirement `IntegralType<T>`, and
  - an enumeration type ([dcl.enum]), if the template contains the requirement `EnumerationType<T>`.
- 8 The archetype T' of T contains a public member function or member function template corresponding to each member function or member function template of each concept map archetype corresponding to a concept requirement that names T (14.10.1). [Example:

```

concept CopyConstructible<typename T> {
    T::T(const T&);
}

concept MemSwappable<typename T> {
    void T::swap(T&);
}

template<typename T>
requires CopyConstructible<T> && MemSwappable<T>
void foo(T& x) {
    // archetype T' of T contains a copy constructor T'::T'(const T' &) from CopyConstructible<T>
    // and a member function void swap(T' &) from MemSwappable<T>
    T y(x);
    y.swap(x);
}

```

— end example ]

- 9 If no requirement specifies a copy constructor for a type T, a copy constructor is implicitly declared (12.8) in the archetype of T with the following signature:

```
T(const T&) = delete;
```

[ Example:

```

concept DefaultConstructible<typename T> {
    T::T();
}

concept MoveConstructible<typename T> {
    T::T(T&&);
}

template<typename T>
requires DefaultConstructible<T> && MoveConstructible<T>
void f(T x) {
    T y = T(); // okay: move-constructs y from default-constructed T
    T z(x); // error: overload resolution selects implicitly-declared
            // copy constructor, which is deleted
}

```

— end example ]

- 10 If no requirement specifies a copy assignment operator for a type T, a copy assignment operator is implicitly declared (12.8) in the archetype of T with the following signature:

```
T& T::operator=(const T&) = delete;
```

- 11 If no requirement specifies a destructor for a type T, a destructor is implicitly declared (12.4) in the archetype of T with the following signature:

```
~T() = delete;
```

- 12 If no requirement specifies a unary & operator for a type T, a unary member operator & is implicitly declared in the archetype of T for each cv that is a valid cv-qualifier-seq:

```
cv T* operator&() cv = delete;
```

- 13 For each of the allocation functions new, new[], delete, and delete[] ([class.free]), if no requirement specifies the corresponding operator with a signature below, that allocation function is implicitly declared as a member function in the archetype T' of T with the corresponding signature from the following list:

```
static void* T'::operator new(std::size_t) = delete;
static void* T'::operator new(std::size_t, void*) = delete;
static void* T'::operator new(std::size_t, const std::nothrow_t&) throw() = delete;
static void* T'::operator new[](std::size_t) = delete;
static void* T'::operator new[](std::size_t, void*) = delete;
static void* T'::operator new[](std::size_t, const std::nothrow_t&) throw() = delete;
static void T'::operator delete(void*) = delete;
static void T'::operator delete(void*, void*) = delete;
static void T'::operator delete(void*, const std::nothrow_t&) throw() = delete;
static void T'::operator delete[](void*) = delete;
static void T'::operator delete[](void*, void*) = delete;
static void T'::operator delete[](void*, const std::nothrow_t&) throw() = delete;
```

- 14 If the template requirements contain a requirement DerivedFrom<T, Base>, then the archetype of T is publicly derived from the archetype of Base. If the same DerivedFrom<T, Base> requirement occurs more than once within the template requirements, the repeated DerivedFrom<T, Base> requirements are ignored.
- 15 If two associated member function or member function template requirements that name a constructor or destructor for a type T have the same signature, the duplicate signature is ignored.
- 16 If a class template specialization is an archetype that does not appear as a template argument of any explicitly-specified requirement in the template requirements and whose template is not itself an archetype, then the archetype is an instantiated archetype. An *instantiated archetype* is an archetype whose definition is provided by the instantiation of its template with its template arguments (which involve archetypes). The template shall not be an unconstrained template. [Note: Partial ordering of class template partial specializations (14.5.5.2) will depend on the properties of the archetypes, as defined by the requirements of the constrained template. When the constrained template is instantiated (14.10.4), partial ordering of class template partial specializations will occur a second time based on the actual template arguments. — end note ] [Example:

```
template<EqualityComparable T>
struct simple_multiset {
    bool includes(const T&);
    void insert(const T&);
    // ...
};

template<LessThanComparable T>
struct simple_multiset<T> { //A
    bool includes(const T&);
```



```

    void insert(const T&);
    // ...
};

template<LessThanComparable T>
bool first_access(const T& x) {
    static simple_multiset<T> set; // instantiates simple_multiset<T'>, where T' is the archetype of T,
                                   // from the partial specialization of simple_multiset marked 'A'
    return set.includes(x)? false : (set.insert(x), true);
}

```

— end example ]

[Note: Class template specializations for which template requirements are specified behave as normal archetypes.

— end note ] [Example:

```

auto concept CopyConstructible<typename T> {
    T::T(const T&);
}

template<CopyConstructible T> struct vector;

auto concept VectorLike<typename X> {
    typename value_type = typename X::value_type;
    X::X();
    void X::push_back(const value_type&);
    value_type& X::front();
}

template<CopyConstructible T>
requires VectorLike<vector<T>> // vector<T> is an archetype (but not an instantiated archetype)
void f(const T& value) {
    vector<T> x; // okay: default constructor in VectorLike<vector<T>>
    x.push_back(value); // okay: push_back in VectorLike<vector<T>>
    VectorLike<vector<T>::value_type& val = x.front(); // okay: front in VectorLike<vector<T>>
}

```

— end example ]

- 17 [Note: Constrained class templates involving recursive definitions are ill-formed if the recursive class template specialization is an instantiated archetype. Constrained class templates involving recursive definitions can be specified by adding template requirements on the recursive class template specializations, making them archetypes that are not instantiated archetypes. [Example:

```

template<CopyConstructible... T> class tuple;

template<CopyConstructible Head, CopyConstructible... Tail>
class tuple<Head, Tail...> : tuple<Tail...> // ill-formed: tuple<Tail...> is an instantiated archetype,
                                           // but it is an incomplete type
{
    Head head;
}

```

```

    // ...
};

template<> class tuple<> { /*...*/ };

```

— end example ] — end note ]

- 18 In a constrained template context, for each concept requirement that is stated in or implied by the template corresponding requirements, a concept map archetype for that requirement is synthesized by substituting the archetype of T for each occurrence of T within the concept arguments of the requirement. The concept map archetype acts as a concept map, and is used to resolve name lookup into requirements scope (3.3.9) and satisfy the requirements of templates used inside the definition of the constrained template constrained context. [ *Example:*

```

concept SignedIntegral<typename T> {
    T::T(const T&);
    T operator-(T);
}

concept RandomAccessIterator<typename T> {
    SignedIntegral difference_type;
    difference_type operator-(T, T);
}

template<SignedIntegral T> T negate(const T& t) { return -t; }

template<RandomAccessIterator Iter>
RandomAccessIterator<Iter>::difference_type distance(Iter f, Iter l) {
    typedef RandomAccessIterator<Iter>::difference_type D;
    D dist = f - l; // okay: - operator resolves to synthesized operator- in
                   // the concept map archetype RandomAccessIterator<Iter'>,
                   // where Iter' is the archetype of Iter
    return negate(dist); // okay, concept map archetype RandomAccessIterator<Iter'>
                          // implies the concept map archetype SignedIntegral<D'>,
                          // where D' is the archetype of D
}

```

— end example ]

### 14.10.3 Candidate sets

[temp.constrained.set]

- 1 A candidate set is a set containing functions and function templates that is defined in a constrained template (a retained candidate set, 14.10.4) or as the result of satisfying an associated function requirement in a concept map (an associated function candidate set, 14.9.2.1). Candidate sets are used to capture a set of candidate functions that will be used in the instantiation of a constrained template (14.10.4) or when referring to members in a concept map (14.9.2). [ *Note:* For the purposes of this section, candidate operator functions (13.6) are considered functions. — end note ]
- 2 Each candidate set has a seed, which provides the basis for the candidate set itself. All functions and function templates that are consistent with the seed are contained in the candidate set. The seed is determined as part of the definition of the candidate set, and will be one of:
  - a function,
  - the initialization of an object ([`dcl.init`]), or

— a *pseudo-destructor-name* ([*expr.pseudo*]).

3 A function is *consistent with the seed* if

- it has the same name as the seed,
- its enclosing namespace is the same as the enclosing namespace of the seed,
- the seed has a return type of *cv void* or the function has the same return type as the seed, after the reference (if any) and then top-level *cv-qualifiers* (if any) have been removed from the return types of the seed and the function, and
- it has the same *parameter-type-list* as the seed, after making the following adjustments to both *parameter-type-lists*:
  - for a non-static member function, add the implicit object parameter (13.3.1) as the first parameter in the *parameter-type-list*,
  - for each parameter type, remove the top-level reference (if any) and then top-level *cv-qualifiers* (if any),
  - if the function has  $M$  parameters, the seed has  $N$  parameters, and  $M > N$ , remove each of the last  $M - N$  parameters that has a default argument from the *parameter-type-list*, and
  - remove the ellipsis, if any.

[*Note*:No function or function template is consistent with a non-function seed. A seed that is a function is consistent with itself. — *end note* ]

4 A function template is consistent with the seed if:

- it has the same name as the seed, and
- its enclosing namespace is the same as the enclosing namespace of the seed.

5 A candidate set is a set of overloaded functions. Overload resolution (13.3) for a candidate set is subject to the following additional conditions:

- the set of candidate functions for overload resolution is the set of functions in the candidate set, and
- if template argument deduction on a candidate function produces a function template specialization that is not consistent with the seed of the candidate set, the function template specialization is not a viable function ([*over.match.viable*]).

#### 14.10.4 Instantiation of constrained templates

[*temp.constrained.inst*]

- 1 Instantiation of a constrained template replaces each template parameter within the definition of the template with its corresponding template argument, using the same process as for unconstrained templates (14.7).
- 2 Instantiation of a constrained template also replaces each concept map archetype with the concept map that satisfied the corresponding template requirement. [*Note*: A concept member that had resolved to a member of a concept map archetype now refers to a member of the corresponding concept map. — *end note* ]
- 3 In the instantiation of a constrained template, a call to a function that resolves to an associated function in a concept map archetype (14.10.2) will be instantiated as a call to the associated function candidate set (14.10.3) that satisfies the corresponding associated function requirement in the concept map that replaces the concept map archetype. [*Example*:

```

concept F<typename T> {
    T::T();
    void f(T const&);
};

template<typename T> requires F<T>
void g(T const& x) {
    f(x);    // calls F<T>::f. When instantiated with T=X, calls #1
    f(T()); // calls F<T>::f. When instantiated with T=X, calls #2
}

struct X {};
void f(X const&); // #1
void f(X&&); // #2

concept_map F<X> { } // associated function candidate set for f(X const&) contains #1 and #2, seed is #1

void h(X const& x) {
    g(x);
}

```

— end example ]

- 4 [A function template specialization in a constrained template instantiates to a reference to that function template specialization's retained candidate set. The \*retained candidate set\* is a candidate set \(14.10.3\) whose seed is determined by the function template specialization from the definition of the constrained template, after substitution of the constrained template's template arguments for their corresponding archetypes. \[ \*Example:\*](#)

```

concept InputIterator<typename Iter> {
    typename difference_type;
}
concept BidirectionalIterator<typename Iter> : InputIterator<Iter> { }
concept RandomAccessIterator<typename Iter> : BidirectionalIterator<Iter> { }

template<InputIterator Iter> void advance(Iter& i, Iter::difference_type n); // #1
template<BidirectionalIterator Iter> void advance(Iter& i, Iter::difference_type n); // #2

template<BidirectionalIterator Iter> void f(Iter i) {
    advance(i, 1); // seed function is #2
}

concept_map RandomAccessIterator<int*> {
    typedef std::ptrdiff_t difference_type;
}

template<RandomAccessIterator Iter> void advance(Iter& i, Iter::difference_type n); // #3

void g(int* i) {
    f(i); // in the call to advance(), #1 is the seed of the retained candidate set, the retained candidate set contains #1, #2,
        // and #3, and partial ordering of function templates selects #3.
}

```

```
    }
```

*— end example ] — end note ]*

- 5 In the instantiation of a constrained template, a template specialization whose template arguments involve archetypes (14.10.2) will be replaced by the template specialization that results from replacing each occurrence of an archetype with its corresponding type. *[ Note: If the template specialization is a template alias ([temp.alias]), the substitution will occur in the type-id of the template alias. — end note ]* The resulting ~~template specialization~~type (call it A) shall be compatible with the ~~template specialization~~type involving archetypes (call it A') that it replaced, otherwise the program is ill-formed. The template specializations are compatible if all of the following conditions hold:
- for each function, function template, or data member *m* of A' referenced by the constrained template, there exists a member named *m* in A that is accessible from the constrained template and whose type, storage specifiers, template parameters (if any), and template requirements (if any) are the same as the those of A' : : *m* after replacing the archetypes with their actual template argument types,
  - for each member type *t* of A' referenced by the constrained template, there exists a member type *t* in A that is accessible from the constrained template and is compatible with the member type A' : : *t* as specified herein, and
  - for each base class B' of A' referenced by a derived-to-base conversion ([conv.ptr]) in the constrained template, there exists an unambiguous base class B of A that is accessible from the constrained template, where B is the type produced by replacing the archetypes in B' with their template argument types.

*[ Example:*

```
auto concept CopyConstructible<typename T> {
    T::T(const T&);
}

template<CopyConstructible T>
struct vector { //A
    vector(int, T const &);
    T& front();
};

template<typename T>
struct vector<T*> { //B
    vector(int, T* const &);
    T*& front();
};

template<>
struct vector<bool> { //C
    vector(int, bool);
    bool front();
};

template<CopyConstructible T>
void f(const T& x) {
    vector<T> vec(1, x);
    T& ref = vec.front();
}
```

```
}  
  
void g(int i, int* ip, bool b) {  
    f(i); // okay: instantiation of f<int> uses vector<int>, instantiated from A  
    f(ip); // okay: instantiation of f<int*> uses vector<int*>, instantiated from B  
    f(b); // ill-formed, detected in the instantiation of f<bool>, which uses the vector<bool> specialization C:  
        // vector<bool>::front is not compatible with vector<T>::front (where T=bool)  
}
```

— end example ]

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# Appendix B (informative)

## Implementation quantities

[implimits]

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Add the following bullet to paragraph 2

- [Recursively nested implicit concept map definitions \[1024\]](#)

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