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SG14: Low Latency/Games/Embedded/Financial Trading virtual Meeting Minutes 2025/04/09-2025/05/07

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Meeting notes

On Tue, Apr 8, 2025 at 10:40 AM Michael Wong <fraggamuffin_at_[hidden]> wrote:

> Hi all, for tomorrow's SG14 meeting, we can discuss Patrice game paper, or

- > specifically any news on P3442 [[invalidate_dereferencing]] which was
- > approved by SG23 in Hagenberg and heading to EWG.
- > Are there any other papers of interest? Thanks.
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> 2.2 Paper reviews

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- The Hagenberg face-to-face meeting is described as the second-last meeting for C++26, with a possibility of admitting more features.
- Contracts were admitted into C++26, with a sweeping vote, and are
- likely to be in the draft.
- Safety profiles did not enter C++26, and there was a last-minute
- motion to create a white paper.
- The transactional memory TS was abandoned due to nitpicky editorial staff, and a white paper is being considered.

Straw Polls and Finance Discussion

- MW reviews the straw polls, noting that transactional memory TS went
- to a white paper and contracts were applied.
- MW asks for thoughts on the polls and finance-related questions before
- Patrice joins.
- MW inquires about finance experience among the participants, leading
- to discussions about their roles and responsibilities.
- Participants share their backgrounds in finance, including market
- making, trading systems, and low latency networks.

- MW discusses the need for a new finance group chair and asks for

- volunteers. Bryan is now the Finance SIG chair
- Participants express interest in contributing to finance-related
- topics, including performance measurements and data structures.
- MW analyzes flat map (which entered C++23) and ring buffer proposals.
- discussing their suitability for finance applications.
- The flat map is described as suitable for read-mostly scenarios with
- good cache locality but poor for frequent insertions and deletions.

Ring Buffer Proposal and Implementation

- The ring buffer proposal is introduced, highlighting its non-owning,

fixed-size container adapter using a FIFO queue.

- The ring buffer eliminates dynamic allocation and provides excellent

cache locality, but it is fixed size and lacks built-in thread safety.

- Participants discuss the potential use cases for the ring buffer,

including interprocess communication buffers and delay lines.

- The null popper implementation is mentioned, allowing for

customization of the ring buffer behavior.

Signal Processing and Hardware Interaction

- Participants discuss the use of ring buffers in signal processing and

the potential for hardware interaction.

- The distinction between software-based ring buffers and hardware-based

schedulers is clarified.

- The benefits of using external allocators for resource management are highlighted.

- The discussion shifts to the potential integration of AI and machine learning with finance applications.

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- > Code and proposal Staging area
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The meeting discussed the proposal to enhance the inline keyword in C++ to provide standardized inlining behavior, reducing the need for compiler-specific attributes. Key points included the need for backward compatibility, the potential for a "force inline" attribute, and the importance of maintaining performance. The second proposal aimed to standardize floating-point arithmetic for reproducible results, considering options like new library types, functions, and pairwise reduction techniques. Feedback emphasized the need for clear specifications and compatibility with existing code, and the importance of addressing performance implications.

Action Items

- [] Incorporate the feedback and prepare revision 3 of the inline keyword proposal.

- [] Send the updated proposal to the reflector and SG6 for further review.

Outline Introduction to Paper P3676 - Khalil introduces the paper P3676, focusing on enhancing the inline keyword in C++.

- The paper aims to provide a standard inline keyword to hint the compiler about inlining, reducing the need for compiler-specific attributes.

- Khalil explains the current limitations of the inline keyword and the proposed changes to make it more versatile.

- The paper includes examples and use cases, highlighting the benefits of standardizing inline behavior.

Feedback and Discussion on the Inline Proposal

- concerns about the compatibility of the inline keyword with existing code and the need for backward compatibility.

- suggests separating the semantic meaning of the inline keyword from the non-semantic meaning, using attributes for the latter.

- discuss the potential need for a "force inline" attribute to ensure compilers adhere to the specified behavior.

- Khalil acknowledges the feedback and mentions the possibility of revising the paper based on the discussion.

Reproducible Floating Point Results Proposal

- Guy introduces the proposal for reproducible floating point results in C++, addressing the lack of standardization in floating point arithmetic.

- The proposal aims to ensure that floating point operations produce the same results on different platforms, crucial for applications like scientific computing and video games.

- Guy outlines various approaches, including using compiler options, fences, and new library types, to achieve reproducibility.

- The discussion includes feedback from other participants, suggesting

the use of functions instead of new types and the importance of maintaining performance.

Pairwise Reduction Techniques

- introduces the concept of pairwise reduction to improve the accuracy of floating point operations.

- The technique involves splitting the summation of floating point values into pairs, reducing the accumulation errors.

- discuss the implementation details and the potential benefits of pairwise reduction.

- The conversation highlights the need for a well-defined sequence to ensure reproducibility across different instruction sets.

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