

# P1208R6 Adopt `source_location` for C++20

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## 1 Changes and Discussions made in Cologne 2019

A summary of changes made in Cologne to the Latex version (this) by Robert, Daniel, and Peter. This is also based on feedback given by Casey Carter.

- Base the text on N4820.
- Introduce exposition-only member variables to be able to name the return values of the functions.
- Reorder members and descriptions as in LFTS V3. But we got rid of the separate code representation of the header and class synopsis.
- specify more properly the concepts/qualities of the type `source_location`.
- We internally discussed if `source_location` should be trivially copyable or `nothrow_copyable`, but only specified the obvious *Cpp17xxx* and swappable requirements for the type, because we do not want to close the design space for implementors.
- While preparing the update for the paper we discussed if the functions in `source_location` are signal safe as with `initializer_list`, but did not dare to specify it at this point.
- For the default constructor of `source_location` we reduced the guarantees from "implementation-defined" values to "unspecified but valid" values, because we want to keep the door open for a possible future where these values could potentially be defined in a more concrete manner.
- provide explicit description of the intended represented values in the remarks section of `current()`.

## 2 Instructions to the Editor

Introduce a new header `<source_location>` in subclause ([headers]): Table 19 ([tab:headers.cpp]), and subclause ([compliance]) Table 22 ([tab:headers.cpp.fs]) between 17.7 and 17.8 add a new line:

Add the feature test macro `__cpp_lib_source_location` to Table 17 ([tab:cpp.predefined.ft]) with the corresponding value for header `<source_location>`.

Create a new subclause 17.x ([reflection.src\_loc]) in section 17 ([language.support]) before 17.8 ([support.contract]) with the following content:

## 2.1 Class `source_location` [reflection.src\_loc]

The header `<source_location>` defines the class `source_location` that provides a means to obtain source location information.

### 2.1.1 Header `<source_location>` Synopsis [reflection.src\_loc.synop]

```
namespace std {
    struct source_location {
        // source location construction
        static constexpr source_location current() noexcept;
        constexpr source_location() noexcept;

        // source location field access
        constexpr uint_least32_t line() const noexcept;
        constexpr uint_least32_t column() const noexcept;
        constexpr const char* file_name() const noexcept;
        constexpr const char* function_name() const noexcept;

    private:
        uint_least32_t line_;           // exposition only
        uint_least32_t column_;        // exposition only
        const char* file_name_;        // exposition only
        const char* function_name_;    // exposition only
    };
}
```

- <sup>1</sup> The type `source_location` meets the *Cpp17DefaultConstructible*, *Cpp17CopyConstructible*, *Cpp17CopyAssignable*, and *Cpp17Destructible* requirements.
- <sup>2</sup> Lvalues of type `source_location` are swappable ([swappable.requirements]).
- <sup>3</sup> All of the following conditions are true:
  - (3.1) — `is_nothrow_move_constructible_v<source_location>`
  - (3.2) — `is_nothrow_move_assignable_v<source_location>`
  - (3.3) — `is_nothrow_swappable_v<source_location>`
- <sup>4</sup> [Note: The intent of `source_location` is to have a small size and efficient copying.— end note]
- <sup>5</sup> The data members `file_name_` and `function_name_` always each refer to an NTBS.
- <sup>6</sup> The copy/move constructors and the copy/move assignment operators of `source_location` meet the following postconditions: Given two objects `lhs` and `rhs` of type `source_location`, where `lhs`

is a copy/move result of `rhs`, and where `rhs_p` is a value denoting the state of `rhs` before the corresponding copy/move operation, then each of the following conditions is true:

- (6.1) — `strcmp(lhs.file_name(), rhs_p.file_name()) == 0`
- (6.2) — `strcmp(lhs.function_name(), rhs_p.function_name()) == 0`
- (6.3) — `lhs.line() == rhs_p.line()`
- (6.4) — `lhs.column() == rhs_p.column()`

### 2.1.2 source\_location creation [reflection.src\_loc.creation]

```
static constexpr source_location current() noexcept;
```

1 *Returns:*

- (1.1) — When invoked by a function call whose *postfix-expression* is a (possibly parenthesized) *id-expression* naming `current`, returns a `source_location` with an implementation-defined value. The value should be affected by `#line` ([cpp.line]) in the same manner as for `__LINE__` and `__FILE__`. The values of the exposition-only data members of the returned `source_location` object denote the following information:

`line_` a presumed line number ([cpp.predefined]). Line numbers are presumed to be 1-indexed; however, an implementation is encouraged to use 0 when the line number is unknown.

`column_` an implementation-defined value denoting some offset from the start of the line denoted by `line_`. Column numbers are presumed to be 1-indexed; however, an implementation is encouraged to use 0 when the column number is unknown.

`file_name_` a presumed name of the current source file ([cpp.predefined]) as an NTBS.

`function_name_` a name of the current function such as in `__func__` ([dcl.fct.def.general]) if any, an empty string otherwise.

- (1.2) — Otherwise, that is, when invoked in some other way, returns a `source_location` whose data members are initialized with valid but unspecified values.

2 *Remarks:* When a *brace-or-equal-initializer* is used to initialize a non-static data member, any calls to `current` should correspond to the location of the constructor or aggregate initialization that initializes the member.

3 [*Note:* When used as a default argument ([dcl.fct.default]), the value of the `source_location` will be the location of the call to `current` at the call site. — *end note*]

4 [*Example:*

```
struct s {
    source_location member = source_location::current();
    int other_member;
    s(source_location loc = source_location::current())
        : member(loc) // values of member will be from call-site
    {}
    s(int blather) : // values of member should be hereabouts
        other_member(blather)
    {}
};
```

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    s(double) // values of member should be hereabouts
    {}
};
void f(source_location a = source_location::current()) {
    source_location b = source_location::current(); // values in b represent this line
}

void g() {
    f(); // f's first argument corresponds to this line of code

    source_location c = source_location::current();
    f(c); // f's first argument gets the same values as c, above
}
— end example]

```

```
constexpr source_location() noexcept;
```

5       *Effects:* The data members are initialized with valid but unspecified values.

### 2.1.3 source\_location field access [reflection.src\_loc.fields]

```
constexpr uint_least32_t line() const noexcept;
```

1       *Returns:* line\_.

```
constexpr uint_least32_t column() const noexcept;
```

2       *Returns:* column\_.

```
constexpr const char* file_name() const noexcept;
```

3       *Returns:* file\_name\_.

```
constexpr const char* function_name() const noexcept;
```

4       *Returns:* function\_name\_.