

## Glossary

associated **lifetime extension** that would ensue. [Range for](#) (701), [Rvalue References](#) (710), [Lambda Captures](#) (993), [noexcept Specifier](#) (1118)

**lvalue-to-rvalue conversion** – the implicit conversion that occurs when a *prvalue* is needed from an expression whose **value category** is *glvalue* — effectively, the process of reading the **value** of an object. [Generalized PODs '11](#) (501), [Rvalue References](#) (814)

**managed allocator** – one that keeps track of each active allocation made through it such that it is able to unilaterally release all outstanding memory at destruction or, perhaps, via a single (e.g., `release`) operation (a.k.a. *winking out*). As of C++17, the C++ Standard Library supports this sort of functionality via two concrete classes derived from `std::pmr::memory_resource`: (1) a (special-purpose) **monotonic-allocator** resource that treats each individual deallocation as a no-op and (2) a (general-purpose) **multipool-allocator** resource that is substitutable for the global allocator supplied by the C++ run time. [final](#) (1021)

**mandatory RVO** – a requirement, as of C++17, for functions returning objects by value (a form of **guaranteed copy elision**) that, when the **value** in a unique **return statement** is a *prvalue*, the object, instead of being copied or moved, is constructed in place in its final destination in the calling function’s context. [Rvalue References](#) (807)

**mangled name** – one created by the compiler and potentially used by the linker to uniquely identify distinct **entities** having the same name but **defined** in different contexts, e.g., **entities** having the same name but **declared** in multiple scopes or an (overloaded) function having multiple **signatures**. This feature of the ABI also enables *type-safe linkage*, which helps to avoid mismatches across **translation units** — e.g., that a function **defined** to take an **int** cannot be bound to (the use of) a declaration of a function having the same name but taking a **long**. A function **template**, in addition to its parameters, necessarily incorporates the return type as part of the **mangled name**. The use of C linkage eliminates such mangling, thereby preventing the overloading of such functions and function templates. Note that a global variable, e.g., a **double**, declared at file or namespace scope might, but is not required to, use a **mangled name** to identify its type in the ABI; hence, *type-safe linkage* cannot be relied upon to detect such mismatches; see local declarations. [inline namespace](#) (1056), [noexcept Specifier](#) (1114)

**manifestly constant evaluated** – implies, for a given **expression**, that it is used in a context that requires it be evaluated at compile time, such as an array bound or as an **argument** for a non-type template parameter; see also **constant expression**. [constexpr Functions](#) (258)

**mantissa** – the part of a floating-point representation that contains the significant digits; note that, when represented in binary, the leading 1 can be omitted. [Digit Separators](#) (155)

**materialize** – the act of temporary materialization — i.e., that of the compiler creating a temporary object in the address space to represent a given *prvalue*. [Rvalue References](#) (717), [Ref-Qualifiers](#) (1163)

**maximal fundamental alignment** – that of `std::max_align_t`, which, for any given platform, is at least as strict as that of every scalar type. [alignof](#) (193)

**mechanism** – a term used to characterize a class type capable of instantiating objects and whose purpose it is to provide a service, such as **scoped guard**, *lock*, *socket*, etc. A **mechanism** does not attempt to represent a **platonic value**, such as does `std::complex<double>`, nor even an in-process one (e.g., one whose **value** incorporates a memory address as a salient attribute). [Delegating Constructors](#) (51), [Opaque enums](#) (663), [Rvalue References](#) (789)