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# Working Draft, Technical Specification for C++ Extensions for Coroutines

**Note:** this is an early draft. It's known to be incomplet and incorrekt, and it has lots of bad fomattting.

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# 1 General

[intro]

## 1.1 Scope

[intro.scope]

- <sup>1</sup> This Technical Specification describes extensions to the C++ Programming Language (1.3) that enable definition of coroutines. These extensions include new syntactic forms and modifications to existing language semantics.
- <sup>2</sup> The International Standard, ISO/IEC 14882, provides important context and specification for this Technical Specification. This document is written as a set of changes against that specification. Instructions to modify or add paragraphs are written as explicit instructions. Modifications made directly to existing text from the International Standard use underlining to represent added text and ~~striketrough~~ to represent deleted text.

## 1.2 Acknowledgements

[intro.ack]

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## 1.3 Normative references

[intro.refs]

- <sup>1</sup> The following referenced document is indispensable for the application of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies.
  - (1.1) — ISO/IEC 14882:2014, *Programming Languages – C++*

ISO/IEC 14882:2014 is hereafter called the *C++ Standard*. Beginning with section 1.9 below, all clause and section numbers, titles, and symbolic references in [brackets] refer to the corresponding elements of the C++ Standard. Sections 1.1 through 1.5 of this Technical Specification are introductory material and are unrelated to the similarly-numbered sections of the C++ Standard.

## 1.4 Implementation compliance

[intro.compliance]

- <sup>1</sup> Conformance requirements for this specification are the same as those defined in section 1.4 of the C++ Standard. [*Note*: Conformance is defined in terms of the behavior of programs. — *end note*]

## 1.5 Feature testing

[intro.features]

An implementation that provides support for this Technical Specification shall define the feature test macro in Table 1.

Table 1 — Feature-test macro

Name	Value	Header
<code>__cpp_coroutines</code>	201606	<i>predeclared</i>

## 1.9 Program execution

[intro.execution]

Modify paragraph 7 to read:

- <sup>7</sup> An instance of each object with automatic storage duration (3.7.3) is associated with each entry into its block. Such an object exists and retains its last-stored value during the execution of the block and while the block is suspended (by a call of a function, [suspension of a coroutine \(5.3.8\)](#), or receipt of a signal).

## 2 Lexical conventions

[lex]

### 2.12 Keywords

[lex.key]

Add the keywords `co_await`, `co_yield`, and `co_return` to Table 4 "Keywords".

## 3 Basic concepts

[basic]

### 3.6.1 Main function

[basic.start.main]

Add underlined text to paragraph 3.

- 3 The function `main` shall not be used within a program. The linkage (3.5) of `main` is implementation-defined. A program that defines `main` as deleted or that declares `main` to be `inline`, `static`, or `constexpr` is ill-formed. The function `main` shall not be a coroutine (8.4.4). The name `main` is not otherwise reserved. [*Example*: member functions, classes, and enumerations can be called `main`, as can entities in other namespaces. — *end example*]

#### 3.7.4.1 Allocation functions

[basic.stc.dynamic.allocation]

Modify paragraph 4 as follows:

4

A global allocation function is only called as the result of a new expression (5.3.4), ~~or~~ called directly using the function call syntax (5.2.2), called indirectly to allocate storage for a coroutine frame (8.4.4), or called indirectly through calls to the functions in the C++ standard library. [*Note*: In particular, a global allocation function is not called to allocate storage for objects with static storage duration (3.7.1), for objects or references with thread storage duration (3.7.2), for objects of type `std::type_info` (5.2.8), or for an exception object (15.1). — *end note*]

## 5 Expressions

[expr]

### 5.3 Unary expressions

[expr.unary]

Add *await-expression* to the grammar production *unary-expression*:

```

unary-expression:
    postfix-expression
    ++ cast-expression
    -- cast-expression
    await-expression
    unary-operator cast-expression
    sizeof unary-expression
    sizeof ( type-id )
    sizeof ... ( identifier )
    alignof ( type-id )
    noexcept-expression
    new-expression
    delete-expression

```

#### 5.3.8 Await

[expr.await]

Add this section to 5.3.

- <sup>1</sup> The `co_await` expression is used to suspend evaluation of a coroutine (8.4.4) while awaiting completion of the computation represented by the operand expression.

```

await-expression:
    co_await cast-expression

```

- <sup>2</sup> An *await-expression* shall appear only in a potentially-evaluated expression within the *compound-statement* of a *function-body* outside of a *handler* (15). In a *declaration-statement* or in the *simple-declaration* (if any) of a *for-init-statement*, an *await-expression* shall appear only in an *initializer* of that *declaration-statement* or *simple-declaration*. An *await-expression* shall not appear in a default argument (8.3.6). A context within a function where an *await-expression* can appear is called a *suspension context* of the function.

- <sup>3</sup> Evaluation of an *await-expression* involves the following auxiliary types, expressions, and objects:

- (3.1) — *p* is an lvalue naming the promise object (8.4.4) of the enclosing coroutine and *P* is the type of that object.
- (3.2) — *a* is the *cast-expression* if the *await-expression* was implicitly produced by a *yield-expression* (5.20), an initial suspend point, or a final suspend point (8.4.4). Otherwise, the *unqualified-id* `await_transform` is looked up within the scope of *P* by class member access lookup (3.4.5), and if this lookup finds at least one declaration, then *a* is `p.await_transform(cast-expression)`; otherwise, *a* is the *cast-expression*.
- (3.3) — *o* is determined by enumerating the applicable `operator co_await` functions for an argument *a* (13.3.1.2), and choosing the best one through overload resolution (13.3). If overload resolution is ambiguous, the program is ill-formed. If no viable functions are found, *o* is *a*. Otherwise, *o* is a call to the selected function.
- (3.4) — *e* is a temporary object copy-initialized from *o* if *o* is a prvalue; otherwise *e* is an lvalue referring to the result of evaluating *o*.



- (3.5) — *h* is an object of type `std::experimental::coroutine_handle<P>` referring to the enclosing coroutine.
- (3.6) — *await-ready* is the expression `e.await_ready()`, contextually converted to `bool`.
- (3.7) — *await-suspend* is the expression `e.await_suspend(h)`, which shall be a prvalue of type `void` or `bool`.
- (3.8) — *await-resume* is the expression `e.await_resume()`.
- 4 The *await-expression* has the same type and value category as the `await-resume` expression.
- 5 The *await-expression* evaluates the *await-ready* expression, then:
- (5.1) — If the result is `false`, the coroutine is considered suspended. Then, the *await-suspend* expression is evaluated. If that expression has type `bool` and evaluates to `false`, the coroutine is resumed. If that expression exits via an exception, the exception is caught, the coroutine is resumed, and the exception is immediately re-thrown (15.1). Otherwise, control flow returns to the current caller or resumer (8.4.4) without exiting any scopes (6.6).
- (5.2) — If the result is `true`, or when the coroutine is resumed, the *await-resume* expression is evaluated, and its result is the result of the *await-expression*.

6 [ *Example:*

```

template <typename T>
struct my_future {
    ...
    bool await_ready();
    void await_suspend(std::experimental::coroutine_handle<>);
    T await_resume();
};

template <class Rep, class Period>
auto operator co_await(std::chrono::duration<Rep, Period> d) {
    structawaiter {
        std::chrono::system_clock::duration duration;
        ...
       awaiter(std::chrono::system_clock::duration d) : duration(d){}
        bool await_ready() const { return duration.count() <= 0; }
        void await_resume() {}
        void await_suspend(std::experimental::coroutine_handle<> h){...}
    };
    returnawaiter{d};
}

using namespace std::chrono;

my_future<int> h();

my_future<void> g() {
    std::cout << "just about go to sleep...\n";
    co_await 10ms;
    std::cout << "resumed\n";
    co_await h();
}

auto f(int x = co_await h()); // error: await-expression outside of function suspension context
int a[] = { co_await h() }; // error: await-expression outside of function suspension context
— end example ]

```

## 5.17 Assignment and compound assignment operators

[expr.ass]

Add *yield-expression* to the grammar production *assignment-expression*.

```

assignment-expression:
    conditional-expression
    logical-or-expression assignment-operator initializer-clause
    throw-expression
    yield-expression

```

## 5.19 Constant expressions

[expr.const]

Add bullets prohibiting *await-expression* and *yield-expression* to paragraph 2.

- an *await-expression* (5.3.8);
- a *yield-expression* (5.20);

## 5.20 Yield

[expr.yield]

Add a new section to Clause 5.

```

yield-expression:
    co_yield assignment-expression
    co_yield braced-init-list

```

- <sup>1</sup> A *yield-expression* shall appear only within a suspension context of a function (5.3.8). Let *e* be the operand of the *yield-expression* and *p* be an lvalue naming the promise object of the enclosing coroutine (8.4.4), then the *yield-expression* is equivalent to the expression `co_await p.yield_value(e)`.

[Example:

```

template <typename T>
struct my_generator {
    struct promise_type {
        T current_value;
        ...
        auto yield_value(T v) {
            current_value = std::move(v);
            return std::experimental::suspend_always{};
        }
    };
};

struct iterator { ... };
iterator begin();
iterator end();
};

my_generator<pair<int,int>> g1() {
    for (int i = i; i < 10; ++i) co_yield {i,i};
}
my_generator<pair<int,int>> g2() {
    for (int i = i; i < 10; ++i) co_yield make_pair(i,i);
}

auto f(int x = co_yield 5); // error: yield-expression outside of function suspension context
int a[] = { co_yield 1 }; // error: yield-expression outside of function suspension context

int main() {
    auto r1 = g1();

```

```
    auto r2 = g2();  
    assert(std::equal(r1.begin(), r1.end(), r2.begin(), r2.end()));  
}
```

— *end example*]

## 6 Statements

[stmt.stmt]

### 6.5 Iteration statements

[stmt.iter]

Add the underlined text to paragraph 1.

- <sup>1</sup> Iteration statements specify looping.

```

iteration-statement:
    while ( condition ) statement
    do statement while ( expression ) ;
    for ( for-init-statement conditionopt; expressionopt ) statement
    for co_awaitopt ( for-range-declaration : for-range-initializer ) statement

```

#### 6.5.4 The range-based for statement

[stmt.ranged]

Add the underlined text to paragraph 1.

- <sup>1</sup> For a range-based for statement of the form

```
for co_awaitopt ( for-range-declaration : expression ) statement
```

let *range-init* be equivalent to the *expression* surrounded by parentheses<sup>1</sup>

```
( expression )
```

and for a range-based for statement of the form

```
for co_awaitopt ( for-range-declaration : braced-init-list ) statement
```

let *range-init* be equivalent to the *braced-init-list*. In each case, a range-based for statement is equivalent to

```

{
    auto && __range = range-init;
    for ( auto __begin = co_awaitopt begin-expr,
        __end = end-expr;
        __begin != __end;
        co_awaitopt ++__begin ) {
        for-range-declaration = *__begin;
        statement
    }
}

```

where co\_await is present if and only if it appears immediately after the for keyword, and \_\_range, \_\_begin, and \_\_end are variables defined for exposition only, and \_RangeT is the type of the expression, and begin-expr and end-expr are determined as follows: ...

Add the following paragraph after paragraph 2.

- <sup>3</sup> A range-based for statement with `co_await` shall appear only within a suspension context of a function (5.3.8).

---

<sup>1</sup>) this ensures that a top-level comma operator cannot be reinterpreted as a delimiter between *init-declarators* in the declaration of `__range`.

## 6.6 Jump statements

[stmt.jump]

In paragraph 1 add two productions to the grammar:

```

jump-statement:
    break ;
    continue ;
    return expressionopt;
    return braced-init-list ;
    coroutine-return-statement
    goto identifier ;

```

Add the underlined text to paragraph 2:

- 2 On exit from a scope (however accomplished), objects with automatic storage duration (3.7.3) that have been constructed in that scope are destroyed in the reverse order of their construction. [Note: A suspension of a coroutine (5.3.8) is not considered to be an exit from a scope. — end note] ...

### 6.6.3 The return statement

[stmt.return]

Add the underlined text to the last sentence of paragraph 2:

- 2 ... Flowing off the end of a function that is not a coroutine is equivalent to a `return` with no value; this results in undefined behavior in a value-returning function.

#### 6.6.3.1 The `co_return` statement

[stmt.return.coroutine]

Add this section to 6.6.

```

coroutine-return-statement:
    co_return expressionopt;
    co_return braced-init-list;

```

- 1 A coroutine returns to its caller or resumer (8.4.4) by the `co_return` statement or when suspended (5.3.8). A coroutine shall not return to its caller or resumer by a `return` statement (6.6.3).
- 2 The *expression* or *braced-init-list* of a `co_return` statement is called its operand. Let *p* be an lvalue naming the coroutine promise object (8.4.4) and *P* be the type of that object, then a `co_return` statement is equivalent to:

```
{ S; goto final_suspend; }
```

where *final\_suspend* is as defined in 8.4.4 and *S* is an expression defined as follows:

- (2.1) — *S* is `p.return_value(braced-init-list)`, if the operand is a *braced-init-list*;
- (2.2) — *S* is `p.return_value(expression)`, if the operand is an expression of non-void type;
- (2.3) — *S* is `p.return_void()`, otherwise;

*S* shall be a prvalue of type `void`.

- 3 If `p.return_void()` is a valid expression, flowing off the end of a coroutine is equivalent to a `co_return` with no operand; otherwise flowing off the end of a coroutine results in undefined behavior.

## 7 Declarations

[dcl.dcl]

### 7.1.5 The `constexpr` specifier

[dcl.constexpr]

Insert a new bullet after paragraph 3 bullet 1.

- 3 The definition of a `constexpr` function shall satisfy the following constraints:
- (3.1) — it shall not be virtual (10.3);
  - (3.2) — [it shall not be a coroutine \(8.4.4\)](#);
  - (3.3) — ...

#### 7.1.6.4 `auto` specifier

[dcl.spec.auto]

Add the following paragraph.

- 15 A function declared with a return type that uses a placeholder type shall not be a coroutine (8.4.4).

## 8 Declarators

[dcl.decl]

### 8.4 Function definitions

[dcl.fct.def]

#### 8.4.4 Coroutines

[dcl.fct.def.coroutine]

Add this section to 8.4.

1 A function is a *coroutine* if it contains a *coroutine-return-statement* (6.6.3.1), an *await-expression* (5.3.8), a *yield-expression* (5.20), or a range-based *for* (6.5.4) with `co_await`. The *parameter-declaration-clause* of the coroutine shall not terminate with an ellipsis that is not part of a *parameter-declaration*.

2 [Example:

```

task<int> f();

task<void> g1() {
    int i = co_await f();
    std::cout << "f() => " << i << std::endl;
}

template <typename... Args>
task<void> g2(Args&&...) { // OK: ellipsis is a pack expansion
    int i = co_await f();
    std::cout << "f() => " << i << std::endl;
}

task<void> g3(int a, ...) { // error: variable parameter list not allowed
    int i = co_await f();
    std::cout << "f() => " << i << std::endl;
}

```

— end example ]

3 For a coroutine  $f$  that is a non-static member function, let  $P_1$  denote the type of the implicit object parameter (13.3.1) and  $P_2 \dots P_n$  be the types of the function parameters; otherwise let  $P_1 \dots P_n$  be the types of the function parameters. Let  $p_1 \dots p_n$  be lvalues denoting those objects. Let  $R$  be the return type and  $F$  be the *function-body* of  $f$ ,  $T$  be the type `std::experimental::coroutine_traits<R, P1, ..., Pn>`, and  $P$  be the class type denoted by `T::promise_type`. Then, the coroutine behaves as if its body were:

```

{
    P p;
    co_await p.initial_suspend(); // initial suspend point
    try { F } catch(...) { p.unhandled_exception(); }
    final_suspend:
    co_await p.final_suspend(); // final suspend point
}

```

where an object denoted as  $p$  is the *promise object* of the coroutine and its type  $P$  is the *promise type* of the coroutine.

4 The *unqualified-ids* `return_void` and `return_value` are looked up in the scope of class  $P$ . If both are found, the program is ill-formed. If the *unqualified-id* `return_void` is found, flowing

off the end of a coroutine is equivalent to a `co_return` with no operand. Otherwise, flowing off the end of a coroutine results in undefined behavior.

- 5 When a coroutine returns to its caller, the return value is produced by a call to `p.get_return_object()`. A call to a `get_return_object` is sequenced before the call to `initial_suspend` and is invoked at most once.
- 6 A suspended coroutine can be resumed to continue execution by invoking a resumption member function (18.11.2.5) of an object of type `coroutine_handle<P>` associated with this instance of the coroutine. The function that invoked a resumption member function is called *resumer*. Invoking a resumption member function for a coroutine that is not suspended results in undefined behavior.
- 7 An implementation may need to allocate additional storage for a coroutine. This storage is known as the *coroutine state* and is obtained by calling a non-array allocation function (3.7.4.1). The allocation function's name is looked up in the scope of *P*. If this lookup fails, the allocation function's name is looked up in the global scope. If the lookup finds an allocation function in the scope of *P*, overload resolution is performed on a function call created by assembling an argument list. The first argument is the amount of space requested, and has type `std::size_t`. The lvalues  $p_1 \dots p_n$  are the succeeding arguments. If no matching function is found, overload resolution is performed again on a function call created by passing just the amount of space required as an argument of type `std::size_t`.
- 8 The *unqualified-id* `get_return_object_on_allocation_failure` is looked up in the scope of class *P* by class member access lookup (3.4.5). If a declaration is found, then the result of a call to an allocation function used to obtain storage for the coroutine state is assumed to return `nullptr` if it fails to obtain storage, and if a global allocation function is selected, the `::operator new(size_t, nothrow_t)` form shall be used. If an allocation function returns `nullptr`, the coroutine returns control to the caller of the coroutine and the return value is obtained by a call to `P::get_return_object_on_allocation_failure()`. The allocation function used in this case must have a non-throwing *noexcept-specification*.
- 9 The coroutine state is destroyed when control flows off the end of the coroutine or the `destroy` member function (18.11.2.5) of an object of type `std::experimental::coroutine_handle<P>` associated with this coroutine is invoked. In the latter case objects with automatic storage duration that are in scope at the suspend point are destroyed in the reverse order of the construction. The storage for the coroutine state is released by calling a non-array deallocation function (3.7.4.2). If `destroy` is called for a coroutine that is not suspended, the program has undefined behavior.
- 10 The deallocation function's name is looked up in the scope of *P*. If this lookup fails, the deallocation function's name is looked up in the global scope. If deallocation function lookup finds both a usual deallocation function with only a pointer parameter and a usual deallocation function with both a pointer parameter and a size parameter, then the selected deallocation function shall be the one with two parameters. Otherwise, the selected deallocation function shall be the function with one parameter. If no usual deallocation function is found, the program is ill-formed. The selected deallocation function shall be called with the address of the block of storage to be reclaimed as its first argument. If a deallocation function with a parameter of type `std::size_t` is used, the size of the block is passed as the corresponding argument.
- 11 When a coroutine is invoked, an implementation may create a copy of one or more coroutine parameters. Each such copy is direct-initialized from an lvalue referring to the corresponding parameter if it is an lvalue reference, and an xvalue referring to it otherwise. A reference to a parameter in the function-body of the coroutine is replaced by a reference to its copy. Initializations of parameter copies are sequenced before the call to the coroutine promise constructor and indeterminately sequenced with respect to each other. The lifetime of parameter copies



ends immediately after the coroutine promise object lifetime ends. [ *Note*: If a coroutine has a parameter passed by reference, resuming the coroutine after the lifetime of the entity referred to by that parameter has ended is likely to result in undefined behavior. — *end note* ]

[ *Example*:

```
// ::operator new(size_t, nothrow_t) will be used if allocation is needed
struct generator {
    struct promise_type;
    using handle = std::experimental::coroutine_handle<promise_type>;
    struct promise_type {
        int current_value;
        static auto get_return_object_on_allocation_failure() { return generator{nullptr}; }
        auto get_return_object() { return generator{handle::from_promise(*this)}; }
        auto initial_suspend() { return std::experimental::suspend_always{}; }
        auto final_suspend() { return std::experimental::suspend_always{}; }
        auto yield_value(int value) {
            current_value = value;
            return std::experimental::suspend_always{};
        }
    };
    bool move_next() { return coro ? (coro.resume(), !coro.done()) : false; }
    int current_value() { return coro.promise().current_value; }
    ~generator() { if(coro) coro.destroy(); }
private:
    generator(handle h) : coro(h) {}
    handle coro;
};
generator f() { co_yield 1; co_yield 2; }

int main() {
    auto g = f();
    while (g.move_next()) std::cout << g.current_value() << std::endl;
}
```

— *end example* ]

12

[ *Example*:

```
// using a stateful allocator
class Arena;
struct my_coroutine {
    struct promise_type {
        ...
        template <typename... TheRest>
        void* operator new(std::size_t size, Arena& pool, TheRest const&...) {
            return pool.allocate(size);
        }
        void operator delete(void* p, std::size_t size) {
            // reference to a pool is not available
            // to the delete operator and should be stored
            // by the allocator as a part of the allocation
            Arena::deallocate(p, size);
        }
    };
};
```

```
my_coroutine (Arena& a) {  
    // will call my_coroutine::promise_type::operator new(<required-size>, a)  
    // to obtain storage for the coroutine state  
    co_yield 1;  
}
```

```
int main() {  
    Pool memPool;  
    for (int i = 0; i < 1'000'000; ++i) my_coroutine(memPool);  
};
```

— *end example*]

## 12 Special member functions [special]

### 12.1 Constructors [class.ctor]

Add new paragraph after paragraph 5.

- 6        A constructor shall not be a coroutine.

### 12.4 Destructors [class.dtor]

Add new paragraph after paragraph 16.

- 17       A destructor shall not be a coroutine.

### 12.8 Copying and moving class objects [class.copy]

Modify paragraph 33 as follows:

- 33       When the criteria for elision of a copy/move operation are met, but not for an *exception-declaration*, and the object to be copied is designated by an lvalue, or when the *expression* in a `return` or `co_return` statement is a (possibly parenthesized) *id-expression* that names an object with automatic storage duration declared in the body or *parameter-declaration-clause* of the innermost enclosing function or *lambda-expression*, overload resolution to select the constructor for the copy or the return value overload to call is first performed as if the object were designated by an rvalue. If the first overload resolution fails or was not performed, or if the type of the first parameter of the selected constructor or return value overload is not an rvalue reference to the object's type (possibly cv-qualified), overload resolution is performed again, considering the object as an lvalue. [*Note*: This two-stage overload resolution must be performed regardless of whether copy elision will occur. It determines the constructor or return value overload to be called if elision is not performed, and the selected constructor or return value overload must be accessible even if the call is elided. — *end note*]

# 13 Overloading

[over]

## 13.5 Overloaded operators

[over.oper]

Add `co_await` to the list of operators in paragraph 1 before operators `()` and `[]`.

Add the following paragraph after paragraph 5.

- <sup>6</sup> The `co_await` operator is described completely in [5.3.8](#). The attributes and restrictions found in the rest of this subclause do not apply to it unless explicitly stated in [5.3.8](#).

# 17 Library introduction

[library]

## 17.6.1.3 Freestanding implementations

[compliance]

Add a row to Table 16 for coroutine support header `<experimental/coroutine>`.

Table 16 — C++ headers for freestanding implementations

Subclause		Header(s)
		<code>&lt;ciso646&gt;</code>
18.2	Types	<code>&lt;cstdint&gt;</code>
18.3	Implementation properties	<code>&lt;cfloating&gt;</code> <code>&lt;limits&gt;</code> <code>&lt;climits&gt;</code>
18.4	Integer types	<code>&lt;cstdint&gt;</code>
18.5	Start and termination	<code>&lt;cstdlib&gt;</code>
18.6	Dynamic memory management	<code>&lt;new&gt;</code>
18.7	Type identification	<code>&lt;typeinfo&gt;</code>
18.8	Exception handling	<code>&lt;exception&gt;</code>
18.9	Initializer lists	<code>&lt;initializer_list&gt;</code>
18.10	Other runtime support	<code>&lt;cstdint&gt;</code> <code>&lt;cstdlib&gt;</code> <code>&lt;stdbool&gt;</code>
<a href="#">18.11</a>	<a href="#">Coroutines support</a>	<a href="#">&lt;experimental/coroutine&gt;</a>
20.10	Type traits	<code>&lt;type_traits&gt;</code>
	Atomics	<code>&lt;atomic&gt;</code>

# 18 Language support library

## [language.support]

### 18.1 General

[support.general]

Add a row to Table 30 for coroutine support header `<experimental/coroutine>`.

Table 30 — Language support library summary

Subclause	Header(s)
18.2 Types	<code>&lt;cstddef&gt;</code>
18.3 Implementation properties	<code>&lt;limits&gt;</code> <code>&lt;climits&gt;</code> <code>&lt;cfloat&gt;</code>
18.4 Integer types	<code>&lt;cstdint&gt;</code>
18.5 Start and termination	<code>&lt;cstdlib&gt;</code>
18.6 Dynamic memory management	<code>&lt;new&gt;</code>
18.7 Type identification	<code>&lt;typeinfo&gt;</code>
18.8 Exception handling	<code>&lt;exception&gt;</code>
18.9 Initializer lists	<code>&lt;initializer_list&gt;</code>
<u>18.11 Coroutines support</u>	<u><code>&lt;experimental/coroutine&gt;</code></u>
18.10 Other runtime support	<code>&lt;csignal&gt;</code> <code>&lt;csetjmp&gt;</code> <code>&lt;cstdalign&gt;</code> <code>&lt;cstdarg&gt;</code> <code>&lt;cstdbool&gt;</code> <code>&lt;cstdlib&gt;</code> <code>&lt;ctime&gt;</code>

### 18.10 Other runtime support

[support.runtime]

Add underlined text to paragraph 4.

- <sup>4</sup> The function signature `longjmp(jmp_buf jbuf, int val)` has more restricted behavior in this International Standard. A `setjmp/longjmp` call pair has undefined behavior if replacing the `setjmp` and `longjmp` by `catch` and `throw` would invoke any non-trivial destructors for any automatic objects. A call to `setjmp` or `longjmp` has undefined behavior if invoked in a suspension context of a coroutine (5.3.8).

SEE ALSO: ISO C 7.10.4, 7.8, 7.6, 7.12.

### 18.11 Coroutines support library

[support.coroutine]

Add this section to clause 18.

- <sup>1</sup> The header `<experimental/coroutine>` defines several types providing compile and run-time support for coroutines in a C++ program.

**Header `<experimental/coroutine>` synopsis**

```

namespace std {
namespace experimental {
inline namespace coroutines_v1 {

    // 18.11.1 coroutine traits
    template <typename R, typename... ArgTypes>
        struct coroutine_traits;

    // 18.11.2 coroutine handle
    template <typename Promise = void>
        struct coroutine_handle;

    // 18.11.2.7 comparison operators:
    bool operator==(coroutine_handle<> x, coroutine_handle<> y) noexcept;
    bool operator!=(coroutine_handle<> x, coroutine_handle<> y) noexcept;
    bool operator<(coroutine_handle<> x, coroutine_handle<> y) noexcept;
    bool operator<=(coroutine_handle<> x, coroutine_handle<> y) noexcept;
    bool operator>=(coroutine_handle<> x, coroutine_handle<> y) noexcept;
    bool operator>(coroutine_handle<> x, coroutine_handle<> y) noexcept;

    // 18.11.3 trivial awaitables
    struct suspend_never;
    struct suspend_always;

} // namespace coroutines_v1
} // namespace experimental

// 18.11.2.8 hash support:
template <class T> struct hash;
template <class P> struct hash<std::experimental::coroutine_handle<P>>;

} // namespace std

```

### 18.11.1 Coroutine traits [coroutine.traits]

1 This subclause defines requirements on classes representing *coroutine traits*, and defines the class template `coroutine_traits` that satisfies those requirements.

2 Users may specialize `coroutine_traits` to customize the semantics of coroutines.

#### 18.11.1.1 Struct template `coroutine_traits` [coroutine.traits.primary]

1 The header `<experimental/coroutine>` defines the primary template `coroutine_traits` such that if `ArgTypes` is a parameter pack of types and if `R` is a type that has a valid (14.8.2) member type `promise_type`, then `coroutine_traits<R,ArgTypes...>` has the following publicly accessible member:

```
using promise_type = typename R::promise_type;
```

Otherwise, `coroutine_traits<R,ArgTypes...>` has no members.

### 18.11.2 Struct template `coroutine_handle` [coroutine.handle]

```

namespace std {
namespace experimental {
inline namespace coroutines_v1 {

```

```

template <>
struct coroutine_handle<void>
{
    // 18.11.2.1 construct/reset
    constexpr coroutine_handle() noexcept;
    constexpr coroutine_handle(nullptr_t) noexcept;
    coroutine_handle& operator=(nullptr_t) noexcept;

    // 18.11.2.2 export/import
    constexpr void* address() const noexcept;
    constexpr static coroutine_handle from_address(void* addr);

    // 18.11.2.4 observers
    constexpr explicit operator bool() const noexcept;
    bool done() const;

    // 18.11.2.5 resumption
    void operator()();
    void resume();
    void destroy();

private:
    void* ptr; // exposition only
};

template <typename Promise>
struct coroutine_handle : coroutine_handle<>
{
    // 18.11.2.1 construct/reset
    using coroutine_handle<>::coroutine_handle;
    static coroutine_handle from_promise(Promise&);
    coroutine_handle& operator=(nullptr_t) noexcept;

    // 18.11.2.3 import
    constexpr static coroutine_handle from_address(void* addr);

    // 18.11.2.6 promise access
    Promise& promise() const;
};

} // namespace coroutines_v1
} // namespace experimental
} // namespace std

```

- <sup>1</sup> Let  $P$  be the promise type of a coroutine (8.4.4). An object of type `coroutine_handle<P>` is called a *coroutine handle* and can be used to refer to a suspended or executing coroutine. A default constructed `coroutine_handle` object does not refer to any coroutine.

#### 18.11.2.1 `coroutine_handle` construct/reset [`coroutine.handle.con`]

```

constexpr coroutine_handle() noexcept;
constexpr coroutine_handle(nullptr_t) noexcept;

```

- <sup>1</sup> *Postconditions:* `address() == nullptr`.

```

static coroutine_handle from_promise(Promise& p);

```

- <sup>2</sup> *Requires:* `p` is a reference to a promise object of a coroutine.



3           *Returns:* a coroutine handle *h* referring to the coroutine.  
 4           *Postconditions:* `addressof(h.promise()) == addressof(p)`.

`coroutine_handle& operator=(nullptr_t) noexcept;`

5           *Postconditions:* `address() == nullptr`.

6           *Returns:* `*this`.

#### 18.11.2.2 `coroutine_handle` export/import           [`coroutine.handle.import.export`]

`constexpr void* address() const noexcept;`

1           *Returns:* `ptr`.

`static coroutine_handle from_address(void* addr);`

2           *Requires:* `addr` was obtained via a prior call to `address()`.

3           *Postconditions:* `from_address(address()) == *this`.

#### 18.11.2.3 `coroutine_handle` import                           [`coroutine.handle.import`]

`static coroutine_handle from_address(void* addr);`

1           *Requires:* `addr` was obtained via a prior call to `address()`.

2           *Postconditions:* `from_address(address()) == *this`.

#### 18.11.2.4 `coroutine_handle` observers                   [`coroutine.handle.observers`]

`constexpr explicit operator bool() const noexcept;`

1           *Returns:* `true` if `address() != nullptr`, otherwise `false`.

`bool done() const;`

2           *Requires:* `*this` refers to a suspended coroutine.

3           *Returns:* `true` if the coroutine is suspended at its final suspend point, otherwise `false`.

#### 18.11.2.5 `coroutine_handle` resumption                   [`coroutine.handle.resumption`]

`void operator()();`

`void resume();`

1           *Requires:* `*this` refers to a suspended coroutine.

2           *Effects:* resumes the execution of the coroutine. If the coroutine was suspended at its final suspend point, behavior is undefined.

3           *Synchronization:* a concurrent resumption of a coroutine by multiple threads may result in a data race.

`void destroy();`

4           *Requires:* `*this` refers to a suspended coroutine.

5           *Effects:* destroys the coroutine (8.4.4).

6           *Synchronization:* a concurrent resumption of a coroutine by multiple threads may result in a data race.

#### 18.11.2.6 `coroutine_handle` promise access                   [`coroutine.handle.promise`]

`Promise& promise() const;`

1           *Requires:* `*this` refers to a coroutine.

2           *Returns:* a reference to the promise of the coroutine.

### 18.11.2.7 Comparison operators [coroutine.handle.compare]

```

bool operator==(coroutine_handle<> x, coroutine_handle<> y) noexcept;
1     Returns: x.address() == y.address().

bool operator<(coroutine_handle<> x, coroutine_handle<> y) noexcept;
2     Returns: less<void*>()(x.address(), y.address()).

bool operator!=(coroutine_handle<> x, coroutine_handle<> y) noexcept;
3     Returns: !(x == y).

bool operator>(coroutine_handle<> x, coroutine_handle<> y) noexcept;
4     Returns: (y < x).

bool operator<=(coroutine_handle<> x, coroutine_handle<> y) noexcept;
5     Returns: !(x > y).

bool operator>=(coroutine_handle<> x, coroutine_handle<> y) noexcept;
6     Returns: !(x < y).

```

### 18.11.2.8 Hash support [coroutine.handle.hash]

```

template <class P> struct hash<experimental::coroutine_handle<P>>;
1     The template specialization shall meet the requirements of class template hash (20.9.12).

```

### 18.11.3 Trivial awaitables [coroutine.trivial.awaitables]

The header `<experimental/coroutine>` defines `suspend_never` and `suspend_always` as follows.

```

namespace std {
namespace experimental {
inline namespace coroutines_v1 {

    struct suspend_never {
        constexpr bool await_ready() const noexcept { return true; }
        constexpr void await_suspend(coroutine_handle<>) const noexcept {}
        constexpr void await_resume() const noexcept {}
    };

    struct suspend_always {
        constexpr bool await_ready() const noexcept { return false; }
        constexpr void await_suspend(coroutine_handle<>) const noexcept {}
        constexpr void await_resume() const noexcept {}
    };

} // namespace coroutines_v1
} // namespace experimental
} // namespace std

```