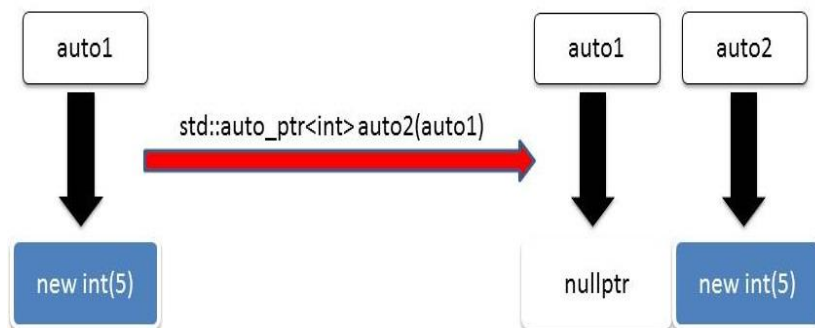


std::auto_ptr versus std::unique_ptr

std::auto_ptr

```
std::auto_ptr<int> auto1(new int(5));  
std::auto_ptr<int> auto2(auto1);
```



std::unique_ptr

```
std::unique_ptr<int> unique1(new int(5));  
std::unique_ptr<int> unique2(std::move(unique1));
```



std::unique_ptr

The `std::unique_ptr` automatically manages the lifetime of its resource, following the RAI-Idiom.

- `std::unique_ptr`
 - is the replacement for the *deprecated* `std::auto_ptr`.
 - ➔ `std::unique_ptr` can not be copied.
 - can be used in the STL container.
 - ➔ container must not have copy semantic.
 - has *minimal* management overhead.
 - can be parametrized by a delete: `std::unique_ptr<T, Deleter>`.
 - is specialized for C arrays: `std::unique_ptr<T[]>`.

std::unique_ptr

Member Function	Description
<code>uniq.release()</code>	Returns a pointer to the resource and release it.
<code>uniq.get()</code>	Returns a pointer to the resource.
<code>uniq.reset(ptr)</code>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Replaces the resource.▪ Destructs the old resource.
<code>uniq.swap(uniq2)</code>	Swaps to <code>std::unique_ptr</code> .
<code>uniq.get_deleter()</code>	Returns the delete function.
<code>std::make_unique(...)</code>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Generates the resource and returns a <code>std::unique_ptr</code>.▪ Is available since C++14.