

C++ STL (part 2 of 2)

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Relevant Course Information

- ❖ Homework 3 will be released today, due in **~3 weeks**
- ❖ Midterm: May 4 – May 6 (1pm)
 - Take home (Gradescope) and open notes
 - Individual, but high-level discussion allowed (“Gilligan’s Island Rule”)
 - No lecture Friday (May 5); I’ll be in lecture room to answer questions

vector/Tracer Example

vectorfun.cc

```
#include <iostream>
#include <vector>      // most containers found in libraries of same name
#include "Tracer.h"

using namespace std;

int main(int argc, char** argv) {
    Tracer a, b, c;    // construct 3 Tracer instances
    vector<Tracer> vec; // new (empty) vector container of Tracers

    cout << "vec.push_back " << a << endl;
    vec.push_back(a);
    cout << "vec.push_back " << b << endl;
    vec.push_back(b);
    cout << "vec.push_back " << c << endl;
    vec.push_back(c);

    cout << "vec[0]" << endl << vec[0] << endl;
    cout << "vec[2]" << endl << vec[2] << endl;

    return EXIT_SUCCESS;
}
```

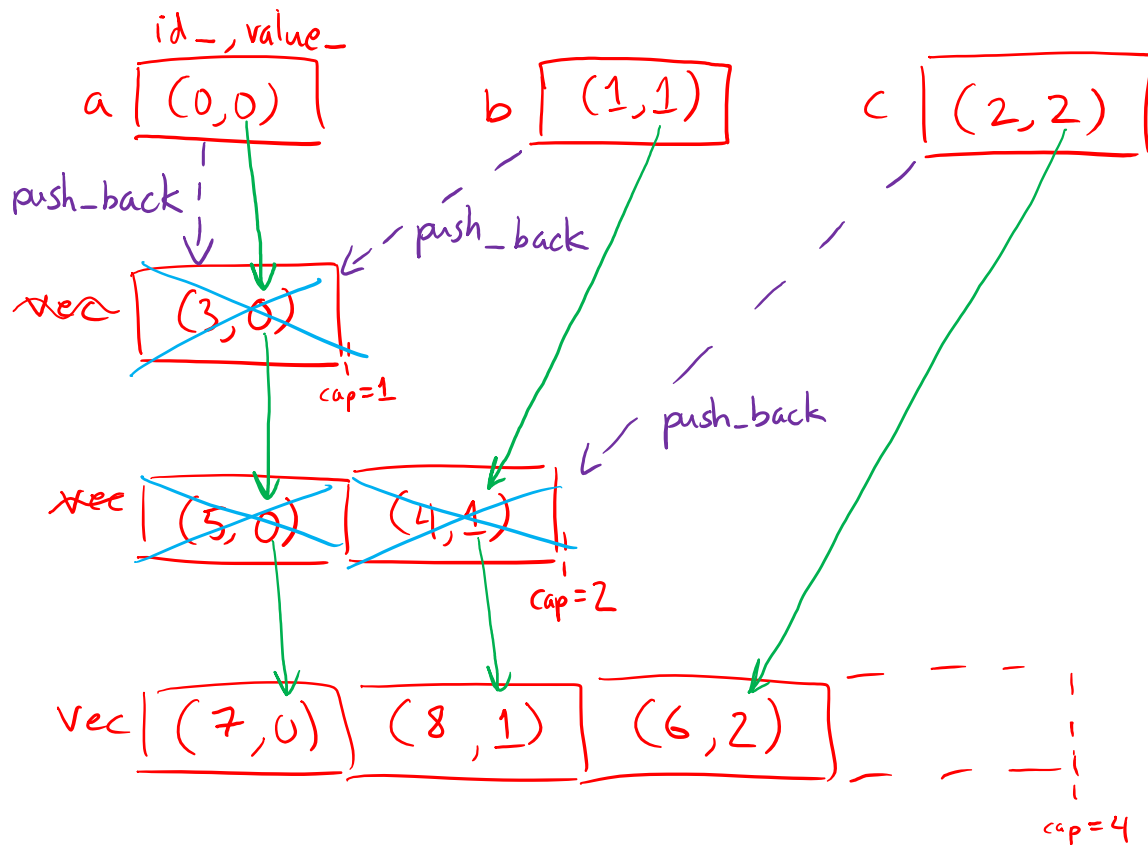
add copies of Tracers to end of container

elements can be accessed via subscript notation

verify the stored values are what we expect

Why All the Copying?

- copy construction
- destruction



push_back calls	Tracers constructed
0	3 (a, b, c)
1	4
2	6
3	9
4	10
5	15

9 Tracer objects constructed!

Note: capacity doubles here each time (not an important detail)

Note: exact ordering of construction when `vec` gets moved not important

STL iterator

an iterator specific to the container & element type

- ❖ Each container class has an associated **iterator** class (e.g., `vector<int>::iterator`) used to iterate through elements of the container
 - <https://cplusplus.com/reference/iterator/iterator/>
 - **Iterator range** is from `begin` up to `end`, i.e., `[begin, end)`
 - ✳ `end` is one past the last container element!
 - Some container iterators support more operations than others
 - All can be incremented (`++`), copied, copy-constructed
 - Some can be dereferenced on RHS (e.g., `x = *it;`)
 - Some can be dereferenced on LHS (e.g., `*it = x;`)
 - Some can be decremented (`--`)
 - Some support random access (`[]`, `+`, `-`, `+=`, `-=`, `<`, `>` operators)

iterator Example

vectoriterator.cc

```
#include <vector>

#include "Tracer.h"

using namespace std;

int main(int argc, char** argv) {
    Tracer a, b, c;
    vector<Tracer> vec;

    vec.push_back(a);
    vec.push_back(b);
    vec.push_back(c);

    cout << "Iterating:" << endl;
    vector<Tracer>::iterator it;
    for (it = vec.begin(); it < vec.end(); it++) {
        cout << *it << endl;
    }
    cout << "Done iterating!" << endl;
    return EXIT_SUCCESS;
}
```

iterator one past last element

incrementing is always legal

iterator of 1st element

"dereference" to get element

Type Inference (C++11)

- ❖ The `auto` keyword can be used to infer types
 - Simplifies your life if, for example, functions return complicated types
 - The expression using `auto` must contain explicit initialization for it to work

```
// Calculate and return a vector
// containing all factors of n
std::vector<int> Factors(int n);

void foo(void) {
    // Manually identified type
    std::vector<int> facts1 =
        Factors(324234);

    // Inferred type
    auto facts2 = Factors(12321);

    // Compiler error here
    auto facts3; ???
}
```

↙ compiler knows the return type of Factors()

auto and Iterators

- ❖ Life becomes much simpler!

```
for (vector<Tracer>::iterator it = vec.begin(); it < vec.end(); it++) {  
    cout << *it << endl;  
}
```



```
for (auto it = vec.begin(); it < vec.end(); it++) {  
    cout << *it << endl;  
}
```


Range for Statement (C++11)

- ❖ Syntactic sugar similar to Java's `foreach`

```
for ( declaration : expression ) {  
    statements  
}
```

- *declaration* defines loop variable
- *expression* is an object representing a **sequence**
 - Strings, initializer lists, arrays with an explicit length defined, STL containers that support iterators

sequence of
characters →

```
// Prints out a string, one  
// character per line  
std::string str("hello");  
  
for ( char auto c : str ) {  
    std::cout << c << std::endl;  
}
```

Updated iterator Example

vectoriterator_2011.cc

```
#include <vector>

#include "Tracer.h"

using namespace std;

int main(int argc, char** argv) {
    Tracer a, b, c;
    vector<Tracer> vec;

    vec.push_back(a);
    vec.push_back(b);
    vec.push_back(c);

    cout << "Iterating:" << endl;
    // "auto" is a C++11 feature not available on older compilers
    for (auto& p : vec) {
        cout << p << endl;
    }
    cout << "Done iterating!" << endl;
    return EXIT_SUCCESS;
}
```

*greatly simplified!
iterator, begin, end handled for you*

STL Algorithms

- ❖ A set of functions to be used on ranges of elements
 - **Range**: any sequence that can be accessed through *iterators* or *pointers*, like arrays or some of the containers
 - General form: `algorithm(begin, end, ...);`
 - additional parameters depending on the algorithm
 - iterators defining a sequence
- ❖ Algorithms operate directly on range elements rather than the containers they live in
 - Make use of elements' copy ctor, =, ==, !=, < appropriate operator(s) must be defined for element type in order to use STL algorithms
 - Some do not modify elements
 - e.g., **find, count, for_each, min_element, binary_search**
 - Some do modify elements
 - e.g., **sort, transform, copy, swap**

Algorithms Example

vectoralgos.cc

```
#include <vector>
#include <algorithm>
#include "Tracer.h"
using namespace std;

void PrintOut(const Tracer& p) {
    cout << " printout: " << p << endl;
}
```

```
int main(int argc, char** argv) {
```

```
    Tracer a, b, c;
```

```
    vector<Tracer> vec;
```

```
    vec.push_back(c);
```

```
    vec.push_back(a);
```

```
    vec.push_back(b);
```

```
    cout << "sort:" << endl;
```

```
    sort(vec.begin(), vec.end());
```

```
    cout << "done sort!" << endl;
```

```
    for_each(vec.begin(), vec.end(), &PrintOut);
```

```
    return 0;
```

out of order

"initial" vec: $(?, 2) \quad (?, 0) \quad (?, 1)$

sort ↓↓

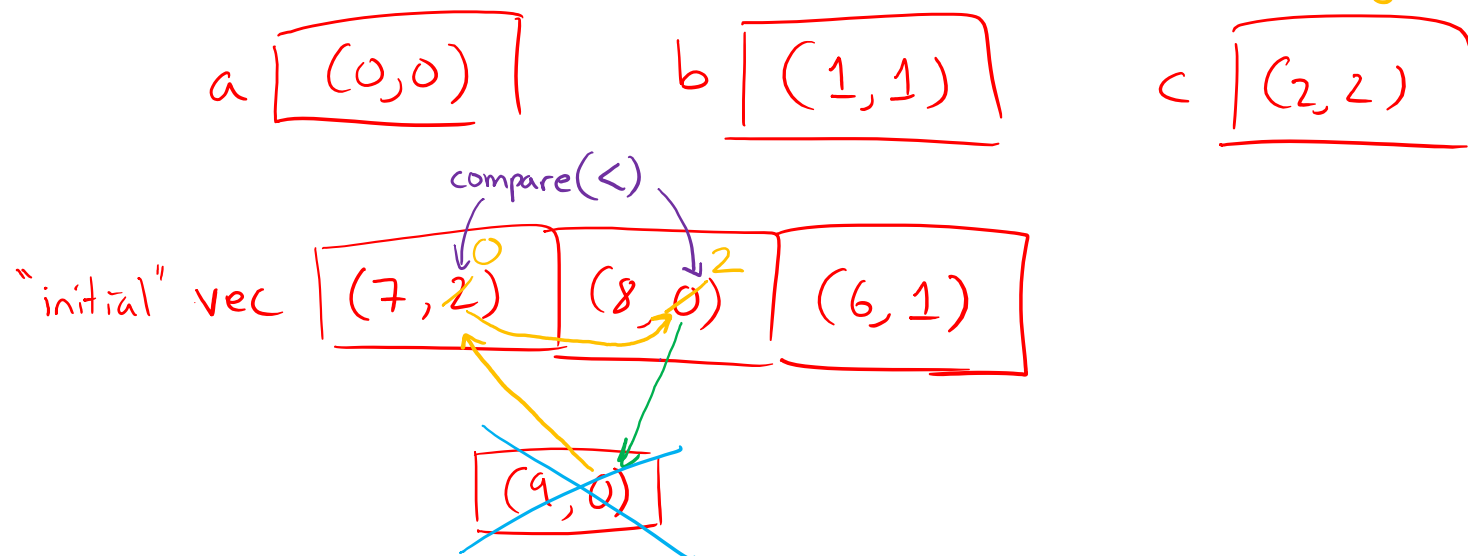
sorted vec: $(?, 0) \quad (?, 1) \quad (?, 2)$

sorts elements in range

applies function to each element in range

Copying For sort

- copy construction
- destruction
- assignment operator



Note: only first comparison shown here.
more performed to complete $\text{swap}()$ algorithm.

Iterator Question

- ❖ Write a function **OrderNext** () that takes a `vector<Tracer>` iterator and then does the compare-and-possibly-swap operation we saw in **sort** () on that element and the one *after* it
 - Hint: Iterators behave similarly to pointers!
 - Example: **OrderNext** (`vec.begin` ()) should order the first 2 elements of `vec`

```
void OrderNext (vector<Tracer>::iterator it1) {
```

```
    auto it2 = it1 + 1;
    if (*it2 < *it1) {
```

```
        auto tmp = *it1;
        *it1 = *it2;
        *it2 = tmp;
    }
```

```
    }
```

`vector<Tracer>::iterator`

`Tracer`

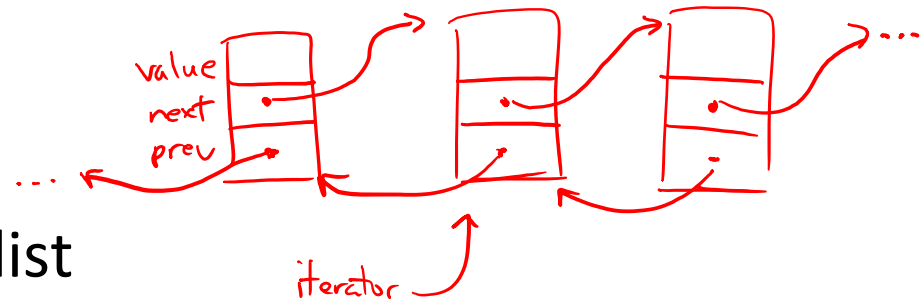
Note: there are many equivalent implementations

Note: see the template version (`vector<T>`) in `test.cc`

Lecture Outline

- ❖ STL iterators, algorithms
- ❖ **STL (finish)**
 - List
 - Map

STL `list`



❖ A generic doubly-linked list

- <https://cplusplus.com/reference/list/list/>
- Elements are **not** stored in contiguous memory locations
 - Does not support random access (e.g., cannot do `list[5]`)
- Some operations are much more efficient than vectors
 - Constant time insertion, deletion anywhere in list
 - Can iterate forward or backwards
 - (++)
 - (--)
- Has a built-in sort member function
 - Doesn't copy! Manipulates list structure instead of element values
 - ↑ copies pointers instead of list elements

list Example

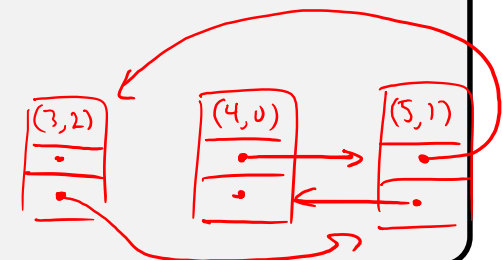
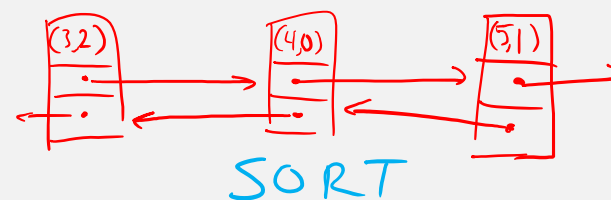
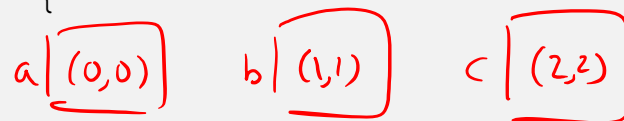
listexample.cc

```
#include <list>
#include <algorithm>
#include "Tracer.h"
using namespace std;

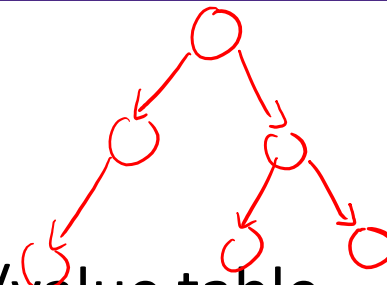
void PrintOut(const Tracer& p) {
    cout << " printout: " << p << endl;
}

int main(int argc, char** argv) {
    Tracer a, b, c;
    list<Tracer> lst;

    lst.push_back(c);
    lst.push_back(a);
    lst.push_back(b);
    cout << "sort:" << endl;
    lst.sort();
    cout << "done sort!" << endl;
    for_each(lst.begin(), lst.end(), &PrintOut);
    return EXIT_SUCCESS;
}
```



STL `map`



- ❖ One of C++'s *associative* containers: a key/value table, implemented as a search tree
 - <https://cplusplus.com/reference/map/map/>
 - General form: `map<key_type, value_type> name;`
 - Keys must be *unique*
 - `multimap` allows duplicate keys
 - Efficient lookup ($\mathcal{O}(\log n)$) and insertion ($\mathcal{O}(\log n)$)
 - Access value via `name[key]`
 - Elements are type `pair<key_type, value_type>` and are stored in sorted order (key is field `first`, value is field `second`)
 - Key type must support less-than operator (`<`)

map Example

```
#include <map>
```

mapexample.cc

```
void PrintOut(const pair<Tracer, Tracer>& p) {  
    cout << "printout: [" << p.first << ", " << p.second << "]" << endl;  
}  
  
int main(int argc, char** argv) {  
    Tracer a, b, c, d, e, f;  
    map<Tracer, Tracer> table;  
    map<Tracer, Tracer>::iterator it;  
  
    table.insert(pair<Tracer, Tracer>(a, b));  
    table[c] = d;  
    table[e] = f;  
    cout << "table[e]:" << table[e] << endl;  
    it = table.find(c); // returns iterator (end if not found)  
    // should check if found here before accessing element  
    cout << "PrintOut(*it), where it = table.find(c)" << endl;  
    PrintOut(*it);  
  
    cout << "iterating:" << endl;  
    for_each(table.begin(), table.end(), &PrintOut);  
  
    return EXIT_SUCCESS;  
}
```

type of element
in map <Tracer, Tracer>

} equivalent behavior

Basic map Usage

❖ `animals.cc`

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- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jofNR_WkoCE

Homegrown pair<>

usage we've seen:

```
pair<std::string, std::string> p;  
p.first  
p.second
```

```
template <typename T1, typename T2> struct Pair {  
    // methods here - ctor, ctor, op =, dtor as needed
```

```
    T1 first;  
    T2 second;  
};
```

Note: just a bag of data, so struct works instead of class
↳ automatically makes first & second public

Unordered Containers (C++11)

- ❖ `unordered_map`, `unordered_set`
 - And related classes `unordered_multimap`, `unordered_multiset`
 - Average case for key access is $\mathcal{O}(1)$
 - But range iterators can be less efficient than ordered `map/set`
 - See *C++ Primer*, online references for details