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C++ STL

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Relevant Course Information

- Homework 2 due **tomorrow** night (7/20) @ 11:59pm
  - Don't forget to clone your repo to double-/triple-/quadruple-check compilation!
  - Use late days if you can't finish & polish your submission! They exist for a reason
- Homework 3 will be released on Friday (7/21), due Thursday (8/03) @ 11:59pm
- Quiz 2: Monday (7/24) – Wednesday (7/26)
  - Take home (Gradescope) and open notes
  - Individual, but high-level discussion allowed ("Gilligan's Island Rule")

C++'s Standard Library

- C++'s Standard Library consists of four major pieces:

1) The entire C standard library

2) C++'s input/output stream library
   - `std::cin`, `std::cout`, `stringstreams`, `fstreams`, etc.

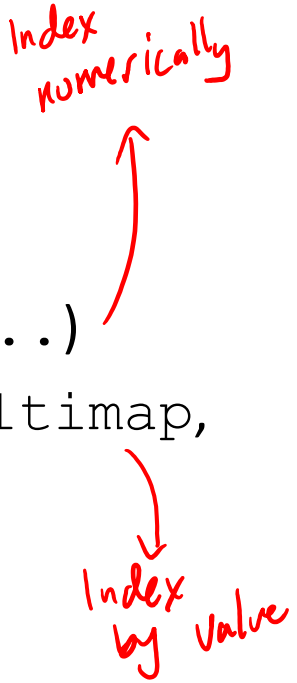
3) C++'s standard template library (**STL**) ☜
   - Containers, iterators, algorithms (sort, find, etc.), numerics

4) C++'s miscellaneous library
   - Strings, exceptions, memory allocation, localization

STL Containers ☺

- A container is an object that stores (in memory) a collection of other objects (elements)
  - Implemented as class templates, so hugely flexible
  - More info in *C++ Primer* §9.2, 11.2

- Several different classes of container
  - Sequence containers (`vector`, `deque`, `list`, `...`)
  - Associative containers (`set`, `map`, `multiset`, `multimap`, `bitset`, `...`)
  - Differ in algorithmic cost and supported operations



STL Containers ☹

Lots of copies!

- STL containers store by *value*, not by *reference*
  - When you insert an object, the container makes a *copy*
  - If the container needs to rearrange objects, it makes copies
    - *e.g.*, if you sort a `vector`, it will make many, many copies
    - *e.g.*, if you insert into a `map`, that may trigger several copies
  - What if you don't want this (disabled copy constructor or copying is expensive)?
    - You can insert a wrapper object with a pointer to the object
      - We'll learn about these "smart pointers" soon

Our Tracer Class

- Wrapper class for an `unsigned int value_`
  - Also holds unique `unsigned int id_` (increasing from `0`)
  - Default ctor, cctor, dtor, `op=`, `op<` defined
  - `friend` function `operator<<` defined
  - Private helper method **`PrintID`**`()` to return `"(id_,value_)"` as a string
  - Class and member definitions can be found in `Tracer.h` and `Tracer.cc`

- Useful for tracing behaviors of containers
  - All methods print identifying messages
  - Unique `id_` allows you to follow individual instances

STL `vector`

- A generic, dynamically resizable array
  - https://cplusplus.com/reference/vector/vector/
  - Elements are stored in *contiguous* memory locations
    - Elements can be accessed using pointer arithmetic if you'd like
    - Random access is O(1) time → Pointer arithmetic + dereference
  - Adding/removing from the end is cheap (amortized constant time)
  - Inserting/deleting from the middle or start is expensive (linear time)
    → Need to copy everything after modified element

vector/Tracer Example

vectorfun.cc

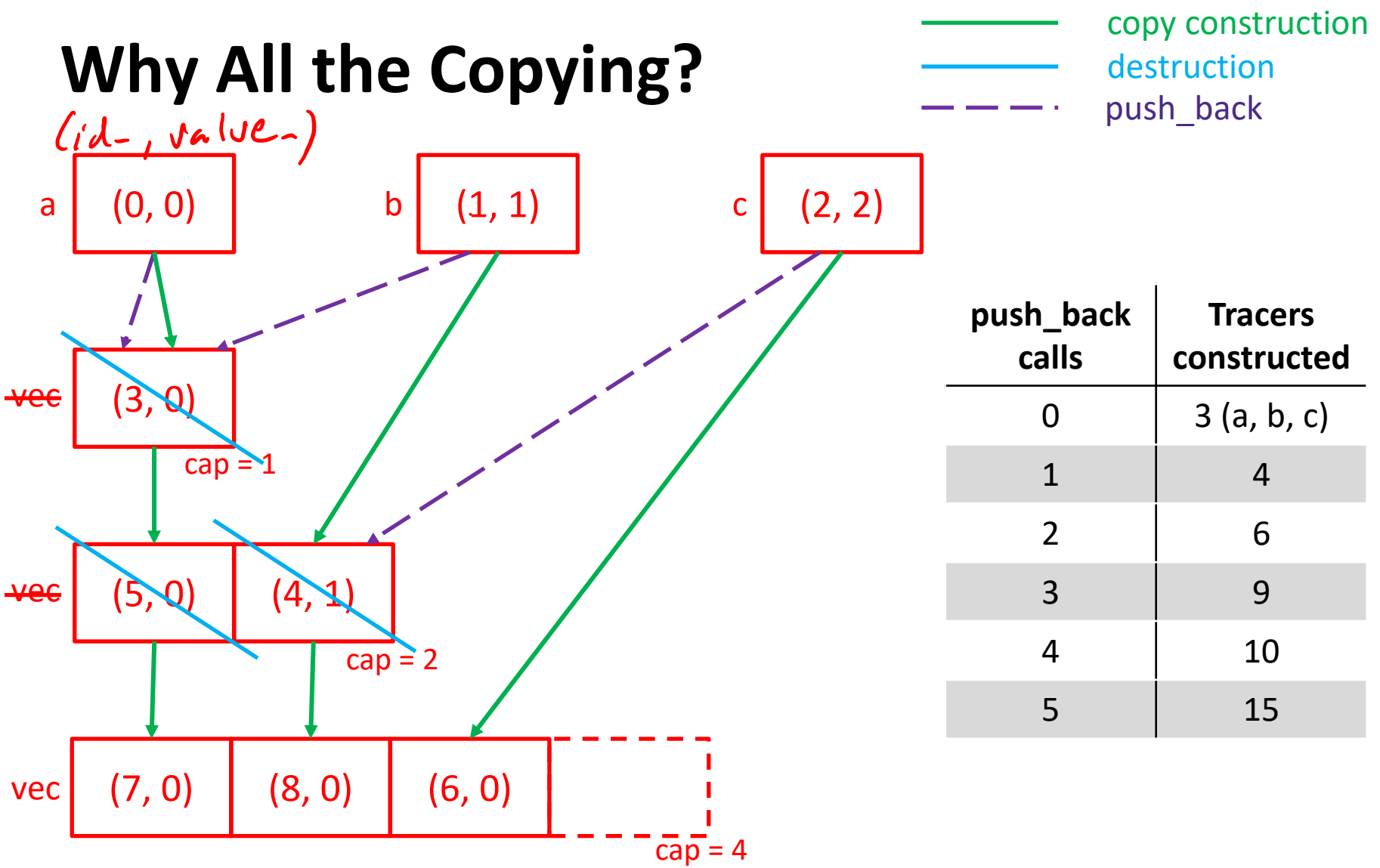
```
#include <iostream>
#include <vector> // most STL modules found in library of same name
#include "Tracer.h"

using namespace std;

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

  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;
}
```

Append Tracers to vector

access via subscript notation

Verify vector values

Why All the Copying?



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`

- 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 to first element

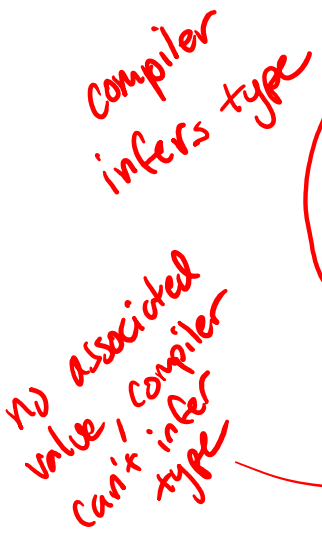
iterator to one past last elem

increment always legal

"dereference" to access values

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;
}
```

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

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

sequence of characters

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;
}
```

loop var as reference to reduce copies made

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, ...);`

iterators here

extra params for algo

- Algorithms operate directly on range *elements* rather than the containers they live in
  - Make use of elements' copy ctor, =, ==, !=, <

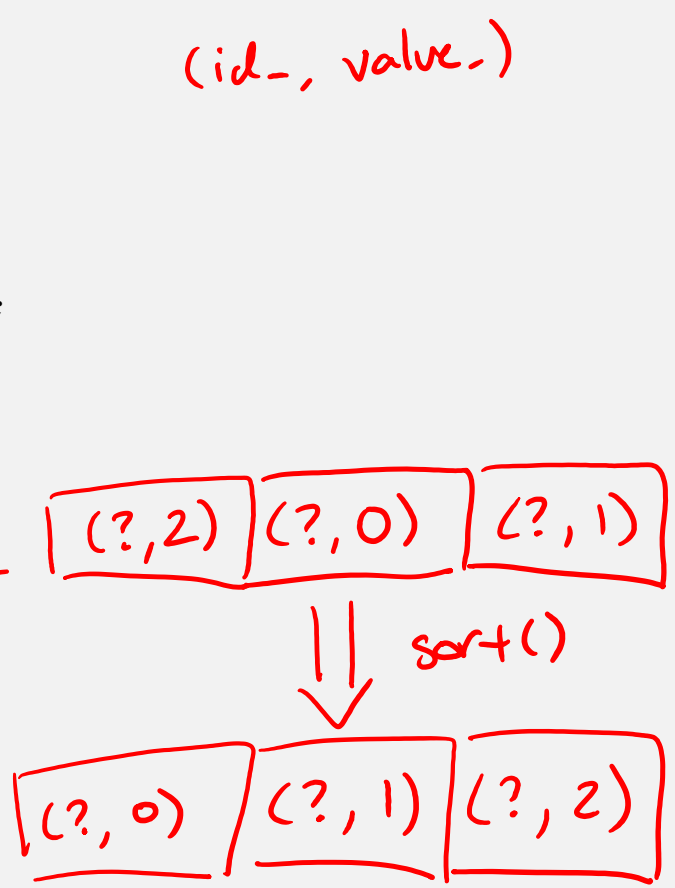
must support these operations!

  - 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;
}
```



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

STL `list`

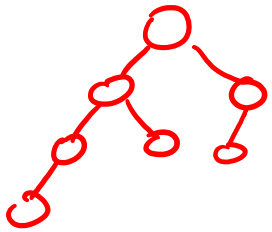
- A generic doubly-linked list
  - https://cplusplus.com/reference/list/list/
  - Elements are ***not*** stored in contiguous memory locations
    - Does not support random access (*e.g.*, cannot do `list[5]`)
  - Some operations are much more efficient than vectors
    - Constant time insertion, deletion 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

`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;`
    - key_type, value_type: independent types
  - 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 (<)
      - needs to be "sortable"

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);
  //should check if it == table.end() here
  cout << "PrintOut(*it), where it = table.find(c)" << endl;
  PrintOut(*it);

  cout << "iterating:" << endl;
  for_each(table.begin(), table.end(), &PrintOut);

  return EXIT_SUCCESS;
}
```

key

value

equivalent operations, all insert

//if not found, returns end of iterator

don't dereference unless sure not end of iterator

Basic `map` Usage

- `animals.cc`

- 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, cctor, 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

Extra Exercise #1

- Using the `Tracer.h`/`.cc` files from lecture:
  - Construct a vector of lists of Tracers
    - *i.e.*, a `vector` container with each element being a `list` of `Tracer`s
  - Observe how many copies happen ☺
    - Use the sort algorithm to sort the vector
    - Use the `list.sort()` function to sort each list