

The Standard C++ Library

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Main Ideas

- Purpose
- Flexibility
- Efficiency
- Simple & Uniform Interface

**Q: What types can we put
in a template param?**

**A: Type which models the
requested concept.**

Concepts - Example

- Consider:

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- The problem:
cryptic error messages
from the implementation of the function
instead of a clear error message

Concepts – What we would like it to be:

- **Not C++ syntax:**

```
template<LessThanComparable T> const T& min(const T& x,  
                                             const T& y)  
{  
    return x < y? x : y;  
}
```

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Concepts

- Concepts are not a yet part of the C++ language,
- Currently there is no (standard) way to declare a concept in a program, or to declare that a particular type is a model of a concept
- “were not ready” for C++11,C++14,C++17
- C++-20 ?

Concepts - advanced

- gcc has a new mechanism for concept checking.

To activate it define: **`_GLIBCXX_CONCEPT_CHECKS`**

Warning: not clear if it helps or not.

- Boost library has a Concept Check Library:

http://www.boost.org/libs/concept_check/concept_check.htm

```
template<typename T> const T& min(const T& x,  
                                const T& y)  
{  
    BOOST_CONCEPT_ASSERT((LessThanComparable <T>));  
    return x < y? x : y;  
}
```


Concepts

- A concept is a list of requirements on a type.
- STL defines a hierarchy of concepts for containers, iterators, and element types.
- Concepts for element types include:

Equality Comparable -
types with operator== ,...

LessThan Comparable -
types with operator< ,...

Assignable -
types with operator=
and copy Ctor

Concepts

- Cleanly separate interface from implementation.
- Primitives can also conform to a concept.

Concepts refinement

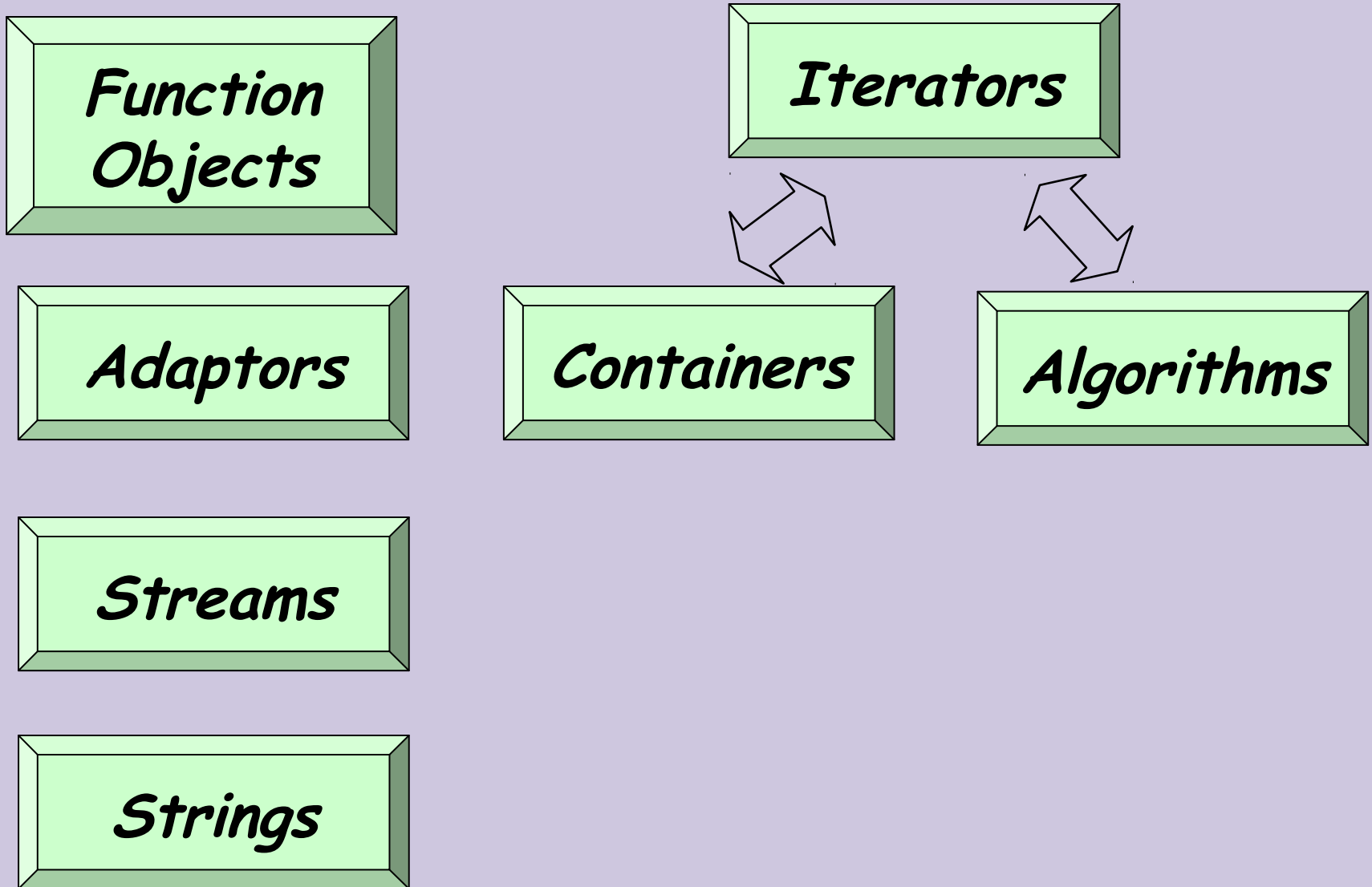
Concept B **is a refinement of concept A**



Concept B **imposes some additional requirements** on A

- Similar to inheritance.

Main Components



Containers

- Holds **copies** of elements.
- **Assumes** elements have:
Copy Ctor & operator =
- The standard defines the **interface**.
- Two main classes
 - **Sequential containers:**
list, vector,
 - **Associative containers:**
map, set ...

Assignable -
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Containers documentation

(see cplusplus website –
get to know the documentation)

Sequential Containers

- Maintain a linear sequence of objects

Sequential Containers

list - a linked list of objects

- Efficient insertion/deletion in front/end/middle

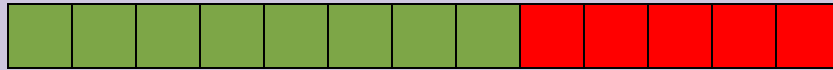
vector - an extendable sequence of objects

- Efficient insertion/deletion at end
- Random access

deque – double-ended queue

- Efficient insertion/deletion at front/end
- Random access

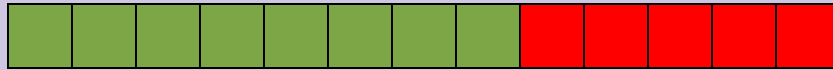
vector<T>



- Contiguous array of elements of type T
- Random access
- Can grow on as needed basis

```
std::vector<int> v(2);  
v[0]= 45;  
v[1]= 32;  
v.emplace_back(60); //C++11
```

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```
std::vector<int> v(2);  
v[0]= 45;  
v[1]= 32;  
v.push_back(60); // old style,  
// we will talk about  
// the difference
```

emplace_back / push_back

Average Time Complexity

If we inserted n elements we paid:

$$1+2+1+4+1+1+1+8+\dots+n =$$

$$O(n) + 1+2+4+\dots+n$$

$$1+2+4+\dots+n = ?$$

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$$a = 2n - 1$$

emplace_back / push_back

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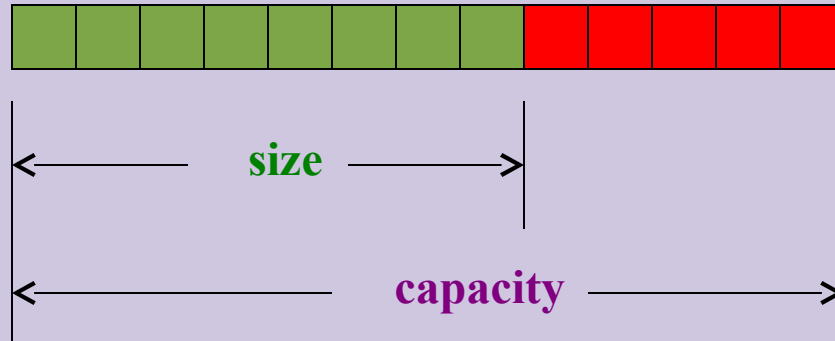
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$$O(n) + 1+2+4+\dots+n =$$

$$O(n)$$

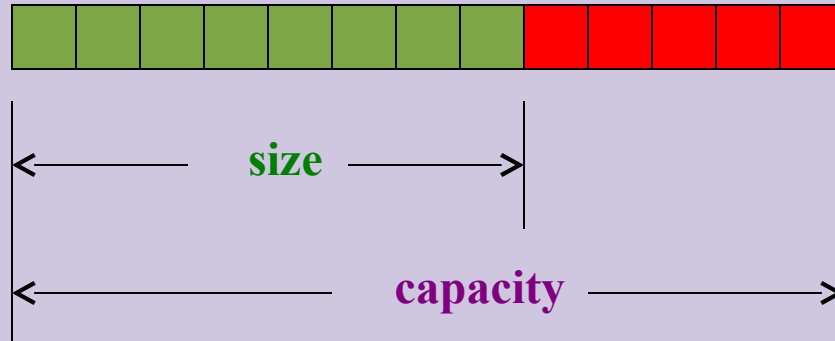
On average an each insertion cost $O(1)$

size and capacity



- The first “size” elements are constructed (initialized)
- The last “capacity - size” elements are uninitialized

size and capacity



- `size_type` **size**() `const`
- `size_type` **capacity**() `const`

C++ vs. Java

- Look at cplusplus documentation of vector.
- Look at Java documentation of Vector.
- Differences:
 - Simple class vs. interface and vtable.
 - Simple elements vs. class element.
 - Two accessors (with and without range check) vs. a single accessor

Creating vectors

- Empty vector:

```
std::vector<int> vec;
```

- vector with 10 ints each one of value int()==0:

```
std::vector<int> vec(10);
```

```
std::vector<int> vec(10,0); // better
```

- vector with 10 ints with the value of 42:

```
std::vector<int> vec(10, 42);
```

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Notice: int() is NOT a default constructor of int. Uninitialized ints (int k;) contain junk.

Creating vectors

- Empty vector:

```
std::vector<Fred> vec;
```

- vector with 10 default constructed Fred objects. i.e: 10 Fred() objects:

```
std::vector<Fred> vec(10);
```

- vector with 10 non-default constructed Fred objects:

```
std::vector<Fred> vec(10, Fred(5,7));
```

Creating vectors: C++11

- vector with different ints inside it:

```
std::vector<int> vec{1, 5, 10, -2, 0, 3};
```

- vector with different Fred objects:

```
std::vector<Fred> vec{Fred(5,7), Fred(2,1) }
```

Or

```
std::vector<Fred> vec{ {5,7}, {2,1} }
```


Associated types in vector

`vector<typename T>::`

- `value_type` - The type of object, T, stored
- `reference` - Reference to T
- `const_reference` - const Reference to T
- `iterator` - Iterator used to iterate through a vector (*how would you write it?*)
- ...
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[break in first week]

Time complexity

- Random access to elements.
- Amortized constant time insertion and removal of elements at the end.
- Linear time insertion and removal of elements at the beginning or in the middle.
- vector is the simplest of the STL container classes, and in many cases the most efficient.

Adding elements

- Inserts a new element at the end:

`void push_back(const T&)`

- `a.push_back(t)`
 - equivalent to:
 - `a.insert(a.end(), t)`
- } amortized constant time

- `insert` is linear time in the beginning or in the middle.

Adding elements-C++11

- Construct and insert a new element at the end:

```
template<typename... Args>
```

```
void emplace_back(Args&&... args)
```

- **a.emplace_back(t)**
 - equivalent to:
 - **a.emplace(a.end(), t)**
- } amortized constant time

- **emplace** is linear time in the beginning or in the middle.

Accessing elements

Without boundary checking:

- `reference operator[](size_type n)`
- `const_reference operator[](size_type n) const`

With boundary checking:

- `reference at(size_type n)`
- `const_reference at(size_type n) const`

What about checking boundaries only in DEBUG mode? - Linux

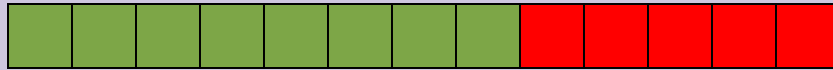
- g++ has a standard library in DEBUG mode, to activate it define `_GLIBCXX_DEBUG`
(`g++ -D_GLIBCXX_DEBUG ...`)
- stlport is an implementation of the standard library which includes DEBUG mode (havn't checked it myself yet):

<http://www.stlport.org/>

What about checking boundaries only in DEBUG mode? - MS

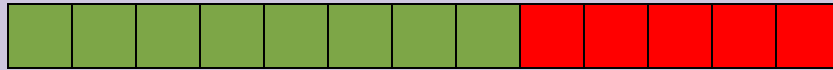
- In MSVS 2012 Debug build is automatically safe and Release build mode is not
- Other versions also have these kind of “Safe STL” modes but might require defining some flags to turn off or on.

vector<T>



- **Contiguous** array of elements of type T
- We can get the underlining T* pointer:
 - if `size()>0`
`T* p= &(v[0])`
 - `c++11`:
`T* p= v.data()`

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Useful for interfacing
with C
or wrappers that work
with C
like Matlab's mex

vector<T> v

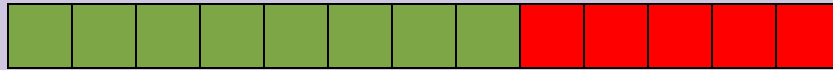


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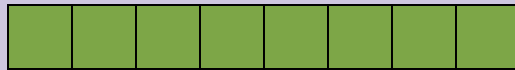


v.shrink_to_fit() // c++11

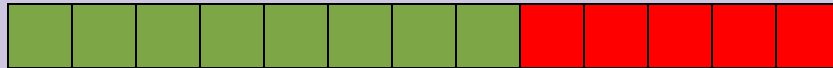
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or



Associative Containers

- Supports efficient retrieval of elements (values) based on keys.
- (Typical) Implementation:
red-black binary trees
hash-table (added in c++11)

Sorted Associative Containers

Set

- A set of unique keys

Map

- Associate a value to key (associative array)
- Unique value of each key

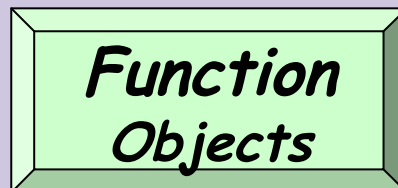
Multiset

Multimap

- Same, but allow multiple values

Sorted Associative Containers & Order

- Sorted Associative containers use operator< as default order
- We can control order by using our own comparison function
- To understand this issue, we need to use **function object**



Function Objects

Anything that can be called as if a function.

For example:

- Pointer to function
- A class that implements `operator()`
- Lambda expressions (c++11)

Example

```
class c_str_less {  
public:  
    bool operator() (const char* s1,  
                     const char* s2) {  
        return (strcmp(s1,s2) < 0);  
    }  
};
```

```
c_str_less cmp; // declare an object
```

```
if (cmp("aa","ab"))
```

```
...
```

```
if( c_str_less() ("a","b") )
```

Creates temporary objects, and then call operator()

Template comparator example

```
template<typename T>
class less {
public:
    bool operator()(const T& lhs, const T& rhs)
    { return lhs < rhs; }
};
```

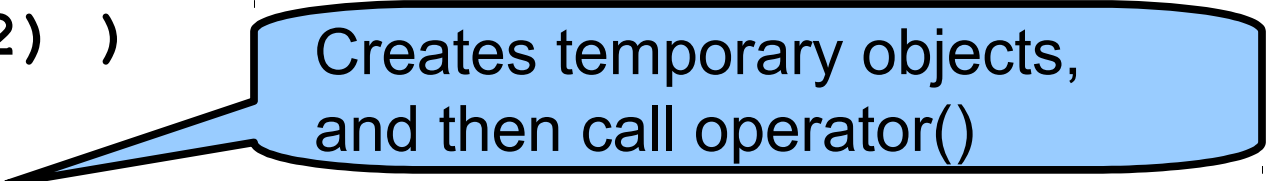
```
less<int> cmp;    // declare an object
```

```
if( cmp(1,2) )
```

```
...
```

```
if( less<int>()(1,2) )
```

```
...
```



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Using Comparators

```
// ascending order
// uses operator < for comparison
set<int> s1;
set<int, less<int>> s1; // same

// descending order
// uses operator > for comparison
set<int, greater<int>> s2;
```

Using Comparators

```
set<int, MyComp> s3;
```

Creates a default constructed MyComp object.

```
MyComp cmp(42);
```

```
set<int, MyComp> s4(cmp);
```

Use given MyComp object.

Why should we use classes as function objects?

- So we get the “power” of classes.
- Examples:
 - Inheritance.
 - To parameterize our functions in run time or in compile time.
 - To accumulate information.

**Why should we use classes
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Function object example: dice code example

Iterators

input

Trivial Iterator

++,
input

++,
output

Input Iterator

Output Iterator

Forward Iterator

++, I/O

Bi-directional Iterator

++, --,
I/O

Random-Access Iterator

Pointer
arithmetic

Iterator Types

	Output	Input	Forward	Bi-directional	Random
Read		<code>x = *i</code>	<code>x = *i</code>	<code>x = *i</code>	<code>x = *i</code>
Write	<code>*i = x</code>		<code>*i = x</code>	<code>*i = x</code>	<code>*i = x</code>
Iteration	<code>++</code>	<code>++</code>	<code>++</code>	<code>++</code> , <code>--</code>	<code>++</code> , <code>--</code> , <code>+</code> , <code>-</code> , <code>+=</code> , <code>-=</code>
Comparison		<code>==</code> , <code>!=</code>	<code>==</code> , <code>!=</code>	<code>==</code> , <code>!=</code>	<code>==</code> , <code>!=</code> , <code><</code> , <code>></code> , <code><=</code> , <code>>=</code>

- Output: write only and can write only once
- Input: read many times each item
- Forward supports both read and write
- Bi-directional support also decrement
- Random supports random access
(just like C pointer)

Iterators & Containers

Bidirectional iterators:

- list, map, set

Random access iterators:

- vector

Input/output/forward iterators:

- iostreams

Iterators & Containers

```
class NameOfContainer {  
    ...  
    typedef ... iterator; // iterator type  
    iterator begin();      // first element  
    iterator end();        // element after last
```

```
NameOfContainer<...> c  
  
...  
  
NameOfContainer<...>::iterator it;  
for( it= c.begin(); it!=c.end(); ++it)  
    // do something that changes *it
```

Iterators & Containers: **c++11**

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for(auto it= c.begin(); it!=c.end(); ++it)  
    // do something that changes *it
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```

```
NameOfContainer<...> c
```

```
...
```

```
for(auto& val : c)
```

```
    // do something that changes val
```

const_iterators & Containers

```
class NameOfContainer {  
    ...  
    typedef ... const_iterator; // iterator type  
    const_iterator begin() const;    // first element  
    const_iterator end() const;      // element after last
```

```
    NameOfContainer<...> c  
  
    ...  
  
    NameOfContainer<...>::const_iterator it;  
    for( it= c.begin(); it!=c.end(); ++it)  
        // do something that does not change *it
```

const_iterators & Containers: c++11

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class NameOfContainer {  
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    typedef ... const_iterator; // iterator type  
    const_iterator cbegin() const;    // first element  
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```

```
    ...
```

```
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```

```
    ...
```

```
    for(const auto& val : c)
```

```
        // do something that does not change val
```


const_iterators & Containers

...

```
const_iterator cbegin() const;  
const_iterator cend() const;  
const_iterator begin() const;  
const_iterator end() const;
```

...

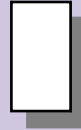
```
iterator begin();  
iterator end();
```

Note that the `begin()` and `end()` methods that return regular iterator are not **const** methods. i.e: if we get a container by `const` (`const ref`, ...) we can't use these methods. We have to use the methods that return **const_iterator**

[end of first week?]

IntBufferSwap example revisited

Iterators & Sequence Containers

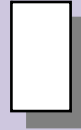


```
SeqContainerName<...> c;
```

```
SeqContainerName<...>::iterator i, j;
```

- `c.insert(i, x)` – inserts `x` before `i`
- `c.insert(i, first, last)`
 - inserts elements in `[first, last)` before `i`
- `c.erase(i)` – erases the element that `i` points to
- `c.erase(i, j)`
 - erase elements in range `[i, j)`

Iterators & Sequence Containers **c++11**



```
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```

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```

- `c.emplace(i, p1, ..., pn):`

Constructs and inserts before `i` an object with a constructor that gets `p1, ..., pn` parameters

Iterators & other Containers

- insert and erase has the same ideas, except they keep the invariants of the specific container.
- For example, a Sorted Associative Container will remain sorted after insertions and erases.

Iterators & other Containers

- So what does `c.insert(pos, x)` does, when `c` is a Unique Sorted Associative Container ?
- Inserts `x` into the set, using `pos` as a `hint` to where it will be inserted.

Iterators & other Containers: **c++11**

- So what does `c.emplace_hint(pos, x)` does, when `c` is a Unique Sorted Associative Container?
- Constructs and Inserts `x` into the set, using `pos` as a `hint` to where it will be inserted.

Iterator validity

- When working with iterators, we have to remember that their validity can change

What is wrong with this code?

```
Container<...> c;
```

```
...
```

```
for(auto i= c.begin(); i!=c.end(); ++i )
```

```
    if( f( *i ) ) { // some test
```

```
        c.erase(i) ;
```

```
    }
```


Iterator validity

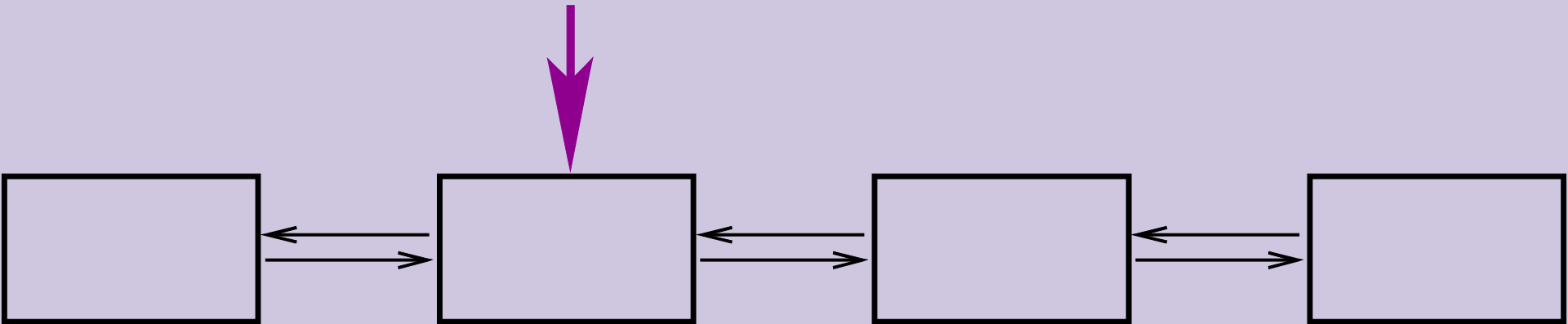
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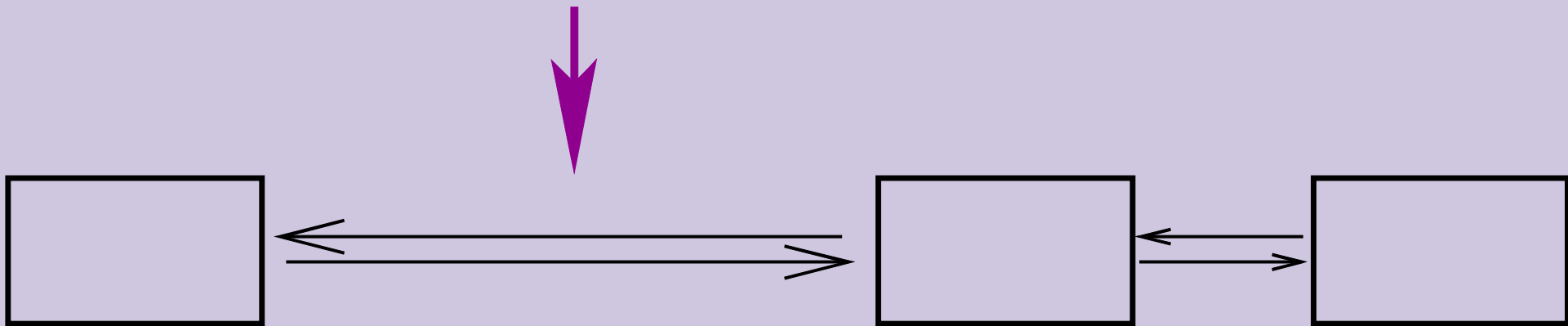
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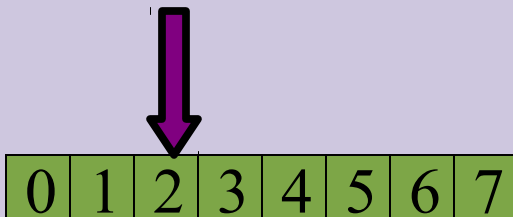
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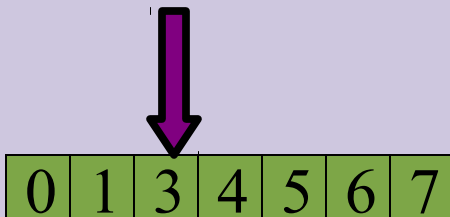
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**In either case,
this is not what we want...**

Iterator validity – second try...

```
Container<...> c;  
auto i= c.begin();  
while( i!=c.end() ) {  
    auto j= i;  
    ++i;  
    if( f( *j ) ) { // some test  
        c.erase(j);  
        ...  
    }  
}
```

Works for set, map, list, **not** vector or deque

Iterators & Map

Suppose we work with:

```
map<string,int> dictionary;  
map<string,int>::iterator it;  
...  
it = dictionary.begin();
```

What is the type of `*it` ?

Iterators & Map

Every STL container type Container defines

`Container::value_type`

Type of elements stored in container

- This is the type returned by an iterator

`Container::value_type operator*() ;`

Iterators & Map

- Ok, so what type of elements does a map return?
- `map<KeyType, ValueType>` keeps pairs
 - `KeyType key` – “key” of entry
 - `ValueType value` – “value” of entry

Pairs

```
template< typename T1, typename T2>
struct pair {
    typedef T1 first_type;
    typedef T2 second_type;

    T1 first;
    T2 second;

    pair( const T1& x, const T2& y )
        : first(x), second(y)
    {}
};
```

Map value_type

```
template< typename Key, typename T,  
          typename Cmp = less<Key> >  
class map {  
public:  
    typedef pair<const Key, T> value_type;  
  
    typedef Key key_type;  
    typedef T mapped_type;  
    typedef Cmp key_compare;  
};
```

Using map iterator

```
map<string,int> dict;  
...  
  
for( auto i = dict.cbegin();  
    i != dict.cend();  
    ++i )  
{  
    cout << i->first << " "  
        << i->second << "\n";  
}
```

Using map iterator

```
map<string,int> dict;
```

```
...
```

```
for( const auto& val : dict) {
```

```
    cout << val.first << " "
```

```
        << val.second << "\n";
```

```
}
```

Iterators and Assoc. Containers

Additional set of operations:

- `iterator C::find(key_type const& key)`

Return iterator to first element with **key**.

Return `end()` if not found

- `iterator C::lower_bound(key_type const& key)`

Return iterator to first element greater or equal to **key**

- `iterator C::upper_bound(key_type const& key)`

Return iterator to first element greater than **key**

Adaptors

- Good functionality, wrong interface
- For example, adaptors of basic containers with limited interface:

stack<T,Seq>

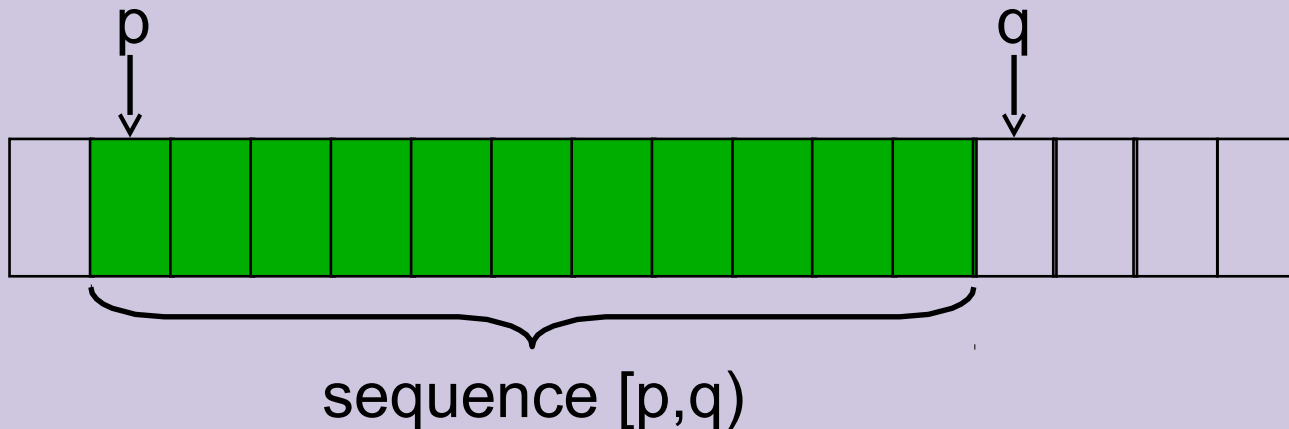
queue<T,Seq>

stack<T,Seq>

- provides `emplace`, `push`, `pop`, `top`, `size`, `empty`, ...
- Notice that unlike java, `pop`, is not returning a value. i.e: it's a void function.
- The reason (historic with c++-11?):
to make `pop` return a value it would be either inefficient or wrong:
<http://www.sgi.com/tech/stl/stack.html#3>

Algorithms

- Most STL algorithms work on sequences
- Sequences are passed as two iterators:
 - beginning element
 - element one after last



- Algorithms depend on iterator type
not on container type

Example – merge documentation

copy

```
template< typename In, typename Out>
Out copy(In first, In last, Out res)
{
    while (first != last)
        *res++ = *first++;
    return res;
}
```

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What's wrong with this ?

```
void foo(const vector<char>& v) {
    vector<char> v2;
    ...
    copy(v.begin(), v.end(), v2.begin());
}
```

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OUT OF BOUND !

So how can we copy and insert ?

Solution #1: Use insert explicitly

```
void foo(const vector<char>& v) {  
    vector<char> v2;  
    ...  
    v2.insert(v2.end(), v.begin(), v.end());  
}
```

So how can we copy and insert ?

Solution #2: Use `insert_iterator<Container>`. In my humble opinion, not so good as it's not so readable):

```
void foo(const vector<char>& v) {  
    vector<char> v2;  
    ...  
    copy(v.begin(), v.end(),  
        insert_iterator<vector<char>>(v2, v2.begin()))  
    ;  
}
```


sort – using operator <

```
template <class RandomAccessIterator>
void sort(RandomAccessIterator first,
          RandomAccessIterator last);
```

Example usage(the hard way):

```
sort< vector<int>::iterator >
      (vec.begin(), vec.end());
```

sort – using operator <

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template <class RandomAccessIterator>
void sort(RandomAccessIterator first,
          RandomAccessIterator last);
```

Example usage:

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

sort – using comparator

```
template <class RandomAccessIterator,  
          class StrictWeakOrdering>  
void sort(RandomAccessIterator first,  
          RandomAccessIterator last,  
          StrictWeakOrdering comp) ;
```

Example usage:

```
sort(vec.begin() , vec.end() , greater<int>() ) ;
```

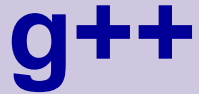
sort – compile error

```
list<int> l(nums, nums+SIZE);  
sort(l.begin(), l.end());
```

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list iterators are bidirectional and not random access !



```
/usr/lib/gcc/i486-linux-gnu/4.1.2/../../../../include/c++/4.1.2/bits/stl_algo.h: In function 'void
std::sort(_RandomAccessIterator, _RandomAccessIterator) [with _RandomAccessIterator =
std::_List_iterator<int>]':
```

```
Main.cpp:17: instantiated from here
```

```
/usr/lib/gcc/i486-linux-gnu/4.1.2/../../../../include/c++/4.1.2/bits/stl_algo.h:2713: error: no match for
'operator-' in '___last - ___first'
```

```
/usr/lib/gcc/i486-linux-gnu/4.1.2/../../../../include/c++/4.1.2/bits/stl_bvector.h:182: note: candidates are:
ptrdiff_t std::operator-(const std::_Bit_iterator_base&, const std::_Bit_iterator_base&)
```

```
/usr/lib/gcc/i486-linux-gnu/4.1.2/../../../../include/c++/4.1.2/bits/stl_algo.h: In function 'void
std::__final_insertion_sort(_RandomAccessIterator, _RandomAccessIterator) [with
_RandomAccessIterator = std::_List_iterator<int>]':
```

```
/usr/lib/gcc/i486-linux-gnu/4.1.2/../../../../include/c++/4.1.2/bits/stl_algo.h:2714: instantiated from 'void
std::sort(_RandomAccessIterator, _RandomAccessIterator) [with _RandomAccessIterator =
std::_List_iterator<int>]'
```

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```

```
/usr/lib/gcc/i486-linux-gnu/4.1.2/../../../../include/c++/4.1.2/bits/stl_algo.h:2357: error: no match for
'operator-' in '___last - ___first'
```

g++

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```

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std::__final_insertion  
_RandomAccessIter
```

???

```
82: note: candidates are:  
ator_base&)
```

```
unction 'void  
ator) [with
```

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...

g++ -D_GLIBCXX_CONCEPT_CHECKS and STLfilt

BD Software STL Message Decryptor v2.47a for gcc
stl_algo.h: In function 'void sort(_List_iterator<int>,
_List_iterator<
int>)':

Main.cpp:17: instantiated from here

stl_algo.h:2713: error: no match for 'operator-' in '__last - __first'

stl_algo.h: In function 'void __final_insertion_sort(
_List_iterator<int>, _List_iterator<int>)':

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_List_iterator<int>, _List_iterator<int>)'

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...

Main.cpp:17: instantiated from here

boost_concept_check.h:223: error: **conversion
from ‘**

**bidirectional_iterator_tag’ to non-scalar
type ‘**

random_access_iterator_tag’ requested

Cryptic error messages

STLFilt:

An STL Error Message Decryptor for C++:

<http://www.bdsoft.com/tools/stlfilt.html>

Cryptic error messages

Different compilers:

clang++ (free)

intel c++ (not free)