C++ Training

2. STL Algorithms

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2. STL Algorithms - Terminology

2.1. Terminology

Terminology

Standard Library:

The Standard Library is the official collection of classes and functions described in and provided with the C++ standard. In parts, the STL is a subset of the Standard Library.





Standard Template Library (STL):

The *STL* is a template-based C++ library developed in the 80s and 90s by Dave Musser, Alexander Stepanov and Meng Lee. Many concepts, ideas, classes, etc., were introduced into the C++ standard library.

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2.2. Motivation

Example: std::copy

The copy algorithm ...

```
template< typename InputIt, typename OutputIt >
OutputIt copy( InputIt begin, InputIt end, OutputIt dst );
```

- can be used with all data types that adhere to the required concepts
- is not depending on any data structure (no inheritance!)
- adheres to the Single-Responsibility Principle (SRP)
- adheres to the Open-Closed Principle (OCP)
- adheres to the Interface Segregation Principle (ISP)
- adheres to the Dependency Inversion Principle (DIP)

The Expert's View on the STL

"There was never any question that the [standard template] library represented a breakthrough in efficient and extensible design."

(Scott Meyers, Effective STL)

The Expert's Advice



"If you want to improve code quality in your organization, I would say, take all your coding guidelines and replace them with the one goal. That's how important I think this one goal is: No Raw Loops. This will make the biggest change in code quality within your organization."

(Sean Parent, C++ Seasoning, Going Native 2013)

2.3. Overview of the STL

The STL in a Nutshell

The STL consists of the following six concepts:

- Containers: Implementations of the classical data collections
- Algorithms: work on the data contained in containers
- Iterators: The glue between containers and algorithms
- Functors: Provide flexibility and customizability
- Adapters: Adapting the basic containers to special purposes
- Allocators: Generalization and customization of memory allocation

The STL in a Nutshell



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2.4. STL Algorithms

STL Algorithms

- Free functions, not member functions
- Operate on half open ranges
- Algorithms are decoupled from containers
- Provide an intuitive naming and parameter convention

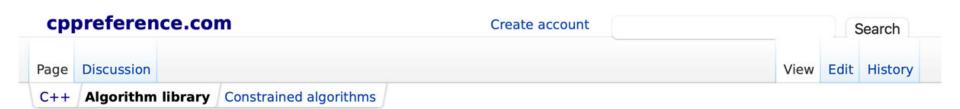
```
namespace std {

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

template< class InputIt, class OutputIt >
OutputIt copy( InputIt first, InputIt last, OutputIt d_first );

template< class InputIt, class UnaryPredicate >
InputIt find_if( InputIt first, InputIt last, UnaryPredicate p );
} // namespace std
```

STL Algorithms



Algorithms library

The algorithms library defines functions for a variety of purposes (e.g. searching, sorting, counting, manipulating) that operate on ranges of elements. Note that a range is defined as [first, last) where last refers to the element past the last element to inspect or modify.

Non-modifying sequence operations

| Defined in header <algorithm></algorithm> | |
|--|---|
| all_of (C++11) any_of (C++11) none_of (C++11) | checks if a predicate is true for all, any or none of the elements in a range (function template) |
| <pre>ranges::all_of (C++20) ranges::any_of (C++20) ranges::none_of (C++20)</pre> | checks if a predicate is true for all, any or none of the elements in a range (niebloid) |
| for_each | applies a function to a range of elements (function template) |
| ranges::for_each (C++20) | applies a function to a range of elements (niebloid) |
| for_each_n (C++17) | applies a function object to the first n elements of a sequence (function template) |
| ranges::for_each_n (C++20) | applies a function object to the first n elements of a sequence (niebloid) |
| count | returns the number of elements satisfying specific criteria |

Copy from a vector to a deque

```
std::copy( vec.begin(), vec.end(), deq.begin() );
```

Sort the elements in a vector

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

Reverse the order of elements

```
std::reverse( vec.begin(), vec.end() );
```

• Find the value 5 in a list

```
std::find( lst.begin(), lst.end(), 5 );
```

Copy from a vector of integers to std::cout

```
std::copy( vec.begin(), vec.end()
    , std::ostream_iterator<int>( std::cout, "\n" ) );
```

Removing all duplicates from a range

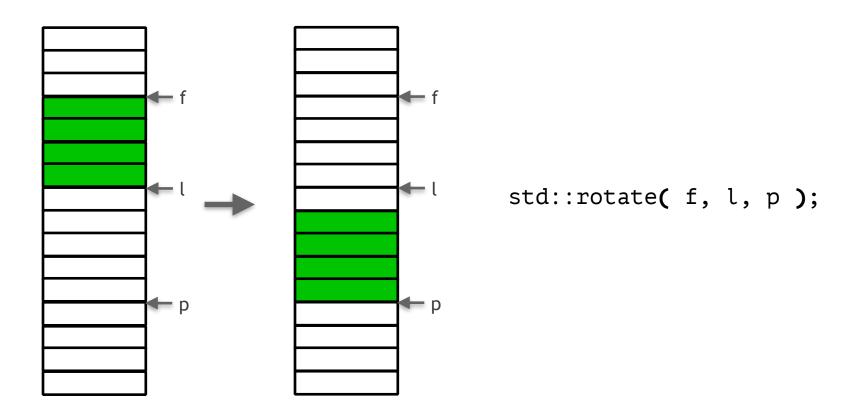
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std::sort( vec.begin(), vec.end() );
vec.erase( std::unique( vec.begin(), vec.end() ), vec.end() );
```

Find the first odd integer in a list

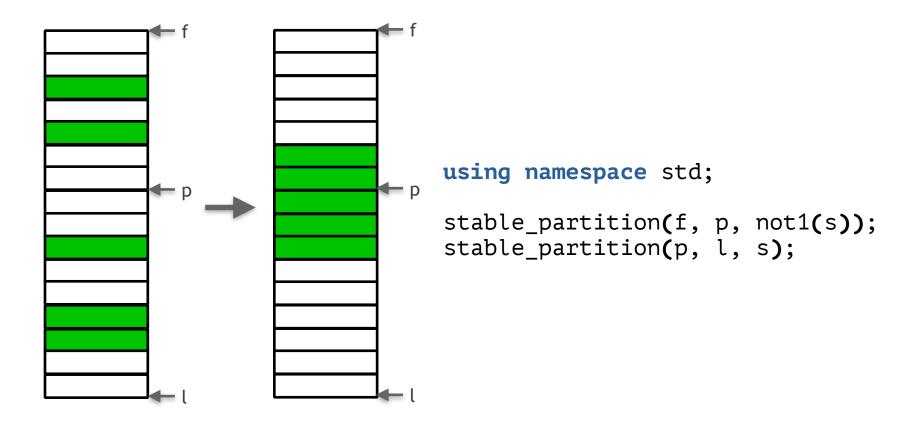
```
struct IsOdd {
    bool operator()( int i ) const { return i & 0x1; }
};

std::find_if( lst.begin(), lst.end(), IsOdd{} );
```

• Move a number of consecutive elements in a vector



Gather an arbitrary number of element at a specific position



Task (2_STL_Algorithms/STLintro): Solve the following tasks on a vector of integers by means of STL algorithms:

- Print the contents of the vector to the screen
- Reverse the order of elements in the vector
- Find the first element with the value 5
- Count the elements with the value 5
- Replace all 5s by 2s
- Sort the vector
- Determine the range of 2s

Hint: Use either of the following two web pages as reference.

www.cppreference.com www.cplusplus.com

Task (2_STL_Algorithms/STLpro): Solve the following tasks on a vector of integers by means of STL algorithms:

- Compute the product of all elements in the vector
- Extract all numbers <= 5 from the vector
- Compute the (numerical) length of the vector
- Compute the ratios v[i+1]/v[i] for all elements v[i] in v
- Move the range [v[3], v[5]] to the beginning of the vector

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Task (2_STL_Algorithms/Simpson): Implement the empty functions to perform the following operations on the Simpson characters:

- Print all characters to the screen
- Randomize their order
- Find the youngest character
- Order them by first name
- Order them by last name without affecting the order of first names
- Order them by age without affecting the order of first and last names
- Put all Simpsons first without affecting the general order of characters
- Compute the total age of all characters
- Put the last character first, without changing the order of the others
- Determine the third oldest character as quickly as possible

Task (2_STL_Algorithms/SimpsonPro): Implement the empty functions to perform the following operations on the Simpson characters:

- Print all characters to the screen
- Randomize their order
- Find the youngest character
- Order them by last name without affecting the order of first names
- Highlight the last name of all persons with the given name
- Put all children first
- Compute the total length of all last names
- Check if two adjacent characters have the same age
- Compute the maximum age difference between two adjacent characters
- Determine the median age of all characters
- After ordering all persons by last name, find all the Simpsons

Task (2_STL_Algorithms/Accumulate):

Step 1: Implement the accumulate() algorithm. The algorithm should take a pair of iterators, an initial value for the reduction operation, and a binary operation that performs the elementwise reduction.

Step 2: Implement an overload of the accumulate() algorithm that uses std::plus as the default binary operation.

Step 3: Implement an overload of the accumulate() algorithm that uses the default of the underlying data type as initial value and std::plus as the default binary operation.

Step 4: Test your implementation with a custom binary operation (e.g. Times).

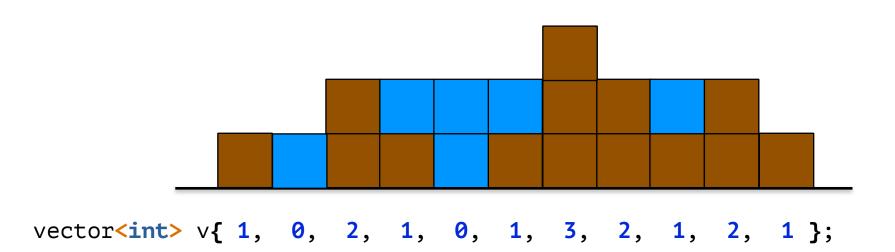
Task (2_STL_Algorithms/Partition): Implement the partition() algorithm that separates two groups of elements. The algorithm should take a pair of iterators and a predicate that identifies the elements of the first group.

Task (2_STL_Algorithms/SortSubrange): Implement the sort_subrange() algorithm in the following example. The algorithm should take four iterators, which specify the total range of elements and the subrange to be sorted.

Task (2_STL_Algorithms/ExtractStrings): Implement the extract_strings() algorithm. The algorithm should extract all strings from a long string of space-separated words.

Task (2_STL_Algorithms/LongestStreak): Determine the longest streak of consecutive equal values in the given range of elements.

Task (2_STL_Algorithms/Trap): Implement the following trap() algorithm for a given vector of non-negative integers. The given vector represents an elevation map, where the width of each bar is 1. The trap() algorithm should compute how much water can be trapped in between the peaks.



Task (2_STL_Algorithms/IsPalindrome):

Step 1: Implement the is_palindrome() algorithm in the following example. The algorithm should detect if the given range is the same when traversed forward and backward. The algorithm should return true only for true palindromes, and false for empty ranges and non-palindromes.

Step 2: Restrict the algorithm to bidirectional iterators by means of C++20 concepts.

Task (2_STL_Algorithms/AlgorithmPerformance1): Copy-and-paste the following code into godbolt.org. Compare the generated assembly code for the following three different solutions:

- an iterator-based manual for loop;
- the STL accumulate() algorithm;
- an index-based manual for loop.

Task (2_STL_Algorithms/AlgorithmPerformance2): Copy-and-paste the following code into <u>quick-bench.com</u>. Benchmark the time to sort a std::vector of integers.

Algorithm Guidelines

Guideline: "No raw loops" (Sean Parent)

Guideline: "Prefer to use algorithms or embed your raw loop in named functions" (Klaus Iglberger)

Guideline: Use algorithms to reduce duplication (DRY).

Guideline: Know the standard algorithms. They can handle all basic tasks elegantly and efficiently (zero cost abstraction).

Guideline: Use the right algorithm for the right task.

Algorithm Guidelines

Guideline: Consider the design of the STL: It follows SRP, OCP, DRY and builds on the Strategy and Command design patterns.

Core Guideline P.3: Express intent

Core Guideline T.40: Use function objects to pass operations to algorithms

Core Guideline T.141: Use an unnamed lambda if you need a simple function object in one place only

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Limitations of STL Algorithms

Limitations of STL Algorithms - Example 1

Task (2_STL_Algorithms/BadCopy): Explain the error in the following
program.

std::vector<int> vec;
std::list<int> lst;

// ... Initialization of lst
std::copy(lst.begin(), lst.end(), vec.begin());

Limitations of STL Algorithms - Example 1

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```

- copy() assumes that the target holds enough elements for all elements to be copied
- Reasonable assumption since it is not possible to change the size of a container via the given iterators
- In case the target vector is empty, we enter the realm of undefined behavior

Either resize the vector accordingly ...

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

// ... Initialization of lst

vec.resize( lst.size() );
std::copy( lst.begin(), lst.end(), vec.begin() );
```

... or use the following approach:

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

// ... Initialization of lst

vec.reserve( lst.size() ); // Optional
std::copy( lst.begin(), lst.end(), std::back_inserter(vec) );
```

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Limitations of STL Algorithms - Example 1

Guideline: Beware that algorithms cannot add new elements to a container.

```
Task (2_STL_Algorithms/BadTransform): Explain the error in the
following program.
    int transmogrify( int x );
    std::vector<int> values;
    // ... Put data into the vector
    std::vector<int> results;
    // Apply 'transmogrify' to each object in values,
    // appending the return values to results
    std::transform( values.begin(), values.end(),
                    results.end(), transmogrify );
```

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    std::transform( values.begin(), values.end(),
                    results.end(), transmogrify );
```

Same problem as in the previous task: The target vector has not enough elements → undefined behavior.

Task (continued): Ok, now that we have repaired the access violation, there is an easy way to considerably improve performance. Show how this can be achieved.

If we turn the transmogrify function into a functor, the compiler can take advantage of the inline function definition and inline the function call. This is **not** possible in case of a function pointer.

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Limitations of STL Algorithms - Example 2

Core Guideline T.40: Use function objects to pass operations to algorithms

```
Task (2_STL_Algorithms/BadAccumulate): Explain the error in the
following program:
    std::vector<double> vec;
    // ... Adding elements to vec
    const double sum =
        std::accumulate( vec.begin(), vec.end(), 0 );
```

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```

- The type of the third parameter defines the type of the accumulator
- adding double values to an int strips away the floating point part
- the final result is wrong!

Make sure to use the right type for the init argument:

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

// ... Adding elements to vec

const double sum =
   std::accumulate( vec.begin(), vec.end(), double{} );
```

Guideline: Beware the power of the third argument of
std::accumulate(), std::reduce(), and similar algorithms.

Task (2_STL_Algorithms/BadRemove): Explain the error in the following program:

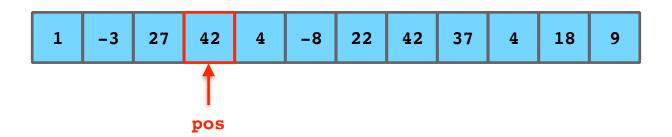
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std::vector<int> vec{ 1, -3, 27, 42, 4, -8, 22, 42, 37, 4, 18, 9 };
const auto pos = std::max_element( begin(vec), end(vec) );
vec.erase( std::remove( begin(vec), end(vec), *pos ), end(vec) );
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vec.erase( std::remove( begin(vec), end(vec), *pos ), end(vec) );
```

- std::remove() takes its third argument by reference
- passing a reference to the value to be removed may result in aliasing effects
- In case of aliasing final result may be wrong!

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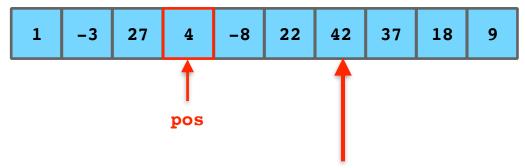
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```



The old maximum is still present!

Make sure to evaluate the the value in case there is aliasing:

```
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const auto pos = std::max_element( begin(vec), end(vec) );
vec.erase( std::remove( begin(vec), end(vec), int{*pos} ), end(vec) );
```

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Limitations of STL Algorithms - Example 4

Guideline: Beware the few reference arguments in the STL.

```
Task (2_STL_Algorithms/Simpson): Consider the following
implementation for the Simpson order_by_lastname() function:

std::stable_sort( std::begin(table), std::end(table),
    std::not_fn( []( const Person& lhs, const Person& rhs ) {
        return lhs.lastname < rhs.lastname;
        } ) );

Explain the error in the implementation.</pre>
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```

- All sorting algorithms (including std::nth_element) are based on equivalence (!(a<b) && !(b<a)), not on equality (a == b)
- The negation of the lambda result in a >= comparison (including equality!)
- That comparison does not adhere to the sorting requirements: Undefined behavior!

Possible output:

```
Enter command: r
Bart
           Simpson
                       10
           Simpson
                       34
Marge
Hans
           Moleman
                       33
Ralph
           Wiggum
Montgomery Burns
                      104
                                    // Random order of characters after
                                    // a call to std::shuffle
Homer
           Simpson
                       38
Lisa
           Simpson
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Maggie
           Simpson
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Jeff
           Albertson
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Enter command: l
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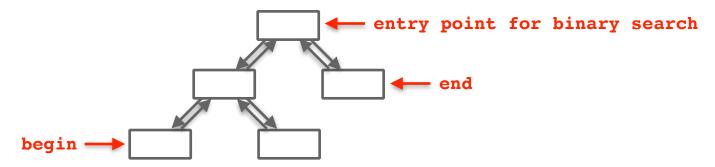
Task (2_STL_Algorithms/BadFind): Explain the problem in the following program.

```
std::set<int> s{ /*...*/ };
const auto pos = std::find( std::begin(s), std::end(s), 42 );
```

Task (2_STL_Algorithms/BadFind): Explain the problem in the following program.

```
std::set<int> s{ /*...*/ };
const auto pos = std::find( std::begin(s), std::end(s), 42 );
```

 All find() algorithm cannot exploit the tree structure of the std::set due to the begin and end iterators



This results in a linear search instead of a binary search

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Guidelines

Guideline: If available, prefer member functions to general algorithms (find(), lower_bound(), upper_bound(), ...).

Wait a Second...

Can't I overload the free find() algorithm to call the member function?

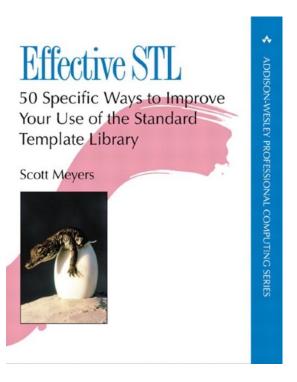
Things to Remember

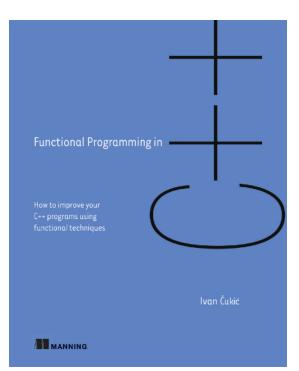
- Familiarize yourself with the STL and STL-style code
- Prefer algorithms over handwritten loops

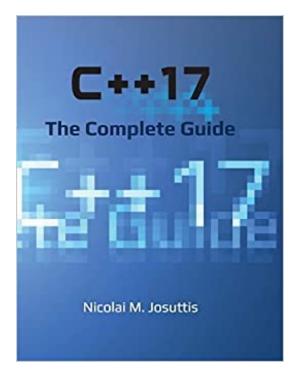
• Remember the conventions and possible pitfalls of algorithms



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- C++ Core Guidelines: <u>isocpp.github.io/CppCoreGuidelines/CppCoreGuidelines</u>
- Stackoverflow: www.stackoverflow.com
- Compiler Explorer: www.godbolt.org
- Quick-Bench: <u>www.quick-bench.com</u>
- C++ Insights: <u>www.cppinsights.io</u>
- Build-Bench: <u>www.build-bench.com</u>
- C++ Shell: cpp.sh
- Wandbox: wandbox.org
- repl.it: repl.it
- Intel Intrinsics Guide: <u>software.intel.com/sites/landingpage/IntrinsicsGuide</u>
- x86/x64 SIMD Instruction List: https://www.officedaytime.com/simd512e/

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- More C++ Idioms: https://en.wikibooks.org/wiki/More_C%2B%2B_Idioms
- Codewars: https://www.codewars.com
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