

# Ch12-Vectors

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## 1 12 Vectors

### 1.1 Topics

- what is and why vectors
- how to use vectors
- various operations and methods on vectors
- applications and example codes using vectors
- sorting vectors

### 1.2 12.1 Vectors

- vector is a collection of values where each value is identified by a number (index)
- anything that can be done by C-array (Array chapter) can be done using vectors
  - unlike C-array, vector is an advanced type like C++ string
- vector is defined in the C++ Standard Template Library (STL)
  - vector is one of my containers library - <https://en.cppreference.com/w/cpp/container>
  - array, set, map, queue, stack, priority\_queue are some other containers
- learning vector is similar to learning C++ string container
  - main difference is vector can store any type of element
  - learn all the operations provided by vector
    - \* what they are; what they do; how to use them...
  - apply it to solve problems
- vector and other containers provided in STL are templated, hence STL
  - the actual type that you're storing in those containers need to be specified
  - very similar to template struct types covered in **Structures** chapter
  - if you're interested to learn about all these STL containers and more, there are Jupyter Notebooks you can use: <https://github.com/rambasnet/STL-Notebooks>
- must include <vector> header to use vector type

### 1.3 12.2 Vector objects

- C++ vector is a type defined in <vector> header
- objects must be instantiated or declared to allocate memory before we can store data into them
- since vector uses template type, you must provide the actual type of the data
- syntax:

```
#include <vector>
```

```
vector<type> objectName;
```

```
[1]: #include <iostream>
#include <vector>
#include <string>
#include <sstream>
#include <cassert>

using namespace std;
```

```
[2]: // declare empty vectors
vector<string> names;
vector<float> tests;
vector<int> numbers;
```

```
[3]: // let's see the contents
names
```

```
[3]: {}
```

```
[4]: // declare and initialize vectors
vector<string> words = {"i", "love", "c++", "vectors"};
vector<float> prices = {1.99, 199, 2.99, 200.85, 45.71};
```

```
[5]: // let's see the contents
words
```

```
[5]: { "i", "love", "c++", "vectors" }
```

```
[6]: prices
```

```
[6]: { 1.99000f, 199.000f, 2.99000f, 200.850f, 45.7100f }
```

### 1.3.1 vectors of user-defined struct type

- vector like array can be used to store user-defined data types using **struct**

```
[7]: // define Rectangle type
// Note - the word Type is redundant! Rectangle by itself would mean a type
struct RectangleType {
    float length, width;
};
```

```
[8]: // create vector of RectangleType
vector<RectangleType> rects;
```

```
[9]: // declare and initialize rectangles vector with two rectangles
vector<RectangleType> rectangles = {{10, 5}, {8.5, 2.6}};
```

```
[10]: // define a templated Point type
template<typename T> // typename can be used as well instead of class
struct Point { // no need to say PointType
    T x, y;
};
```

```
[11]: // declare vector of Point type
vector<Point<int> > points; // Point itself is a template type!
// notice the space between > > !!required!!
// recall >> is input extraction operator
```

```
[12]: // declare and initialize vector of Point
vector<Point<int> > morePoints = {{0, 0}, {1, 1}, {2, 2}};
```

## 1.4 12.3 Accessing elements

- mostly using index just like in C-array or string
- index starts from 0 and goes to 1 less than the vector size or length
- **at(index)** : access specified element with bounds checking
- **operator[index]** : access specified element by index
- **front( )** : access the first element
- **back( )** : access the last element
- *sounds familiar? same way as accessing characters in string objects*

```
[13]: // access elements
// change i to I in words
words[0] = "I";
cout << words[1] << endl; // print 2nd word
cout << prices.at(3) << endl;
cout << prices.front() << endl;
cout << prices.back() << endl;
```

```
love
200.85
1.99
45.71
```

```
[14]: // calculate area of first rectangle stored in rectangles vector
cout << "area = " << rectangles[0].length*rectangles[1].width << endl;
```

```
area = 26
```

## 1.5 12.4 Capacity

- unlike C-array, vector provides member functions to work with the capacity of the vector objects
- the following are the commonly used methods
- **empty( )** : checks whether the container is empty; returns true if empty; false otherwise
- **size( )** : returns the number of elements or length of the vector
- **max\_size( )** : returns the maximum possible number of elements that can be stored

```
[15]: cout << boolalpha; // convert boolean to text true/false
cout << "is prices vector empty? " << prices.empty() << endl;
cout << "size of words: " << prices.size() << endl;
cout << "size of prices: " << prices.size() << endl;
cout << "max size of words: " << words.max_size() << endl;
cout << "max capacity of rectangles: " << rectangles.max_size() << endl;
```

```
is prices vector empty? false
size of words: 5
size of prices: 5
max size of words: 768614336404564650
max capacity of rectangles: 2305843009213693951
```

## 1.6 12.5 Modifying vectors

- vectors once created can be modified using various member functions or methods
- some commonly used methods are:
- **clear( )** : clears the contents
- **push\_back(element)** : adds an element to the end
- **pop\_back( )** : removes the last element
- *Note: if C-array was used, programmers would be have to implement these functions*

```
[16]: vector<int> age = {21, 34, 46, 48, 46};
```

```
[17]: // see the initial contents
age
```

```
[17]: { 21, 34, 46, 48, 46 }
```

```
[18]: // let's clear age vector
age.clear();
```

```
[19]: // is age cleared?
age
```

```
[19]: {}
```

```
[20]: // double check!  
age.empty()
```

```
[20]: true
```

```
[21]: // let's add element into the empty age vector  
age.push_back(25);
```

```
[22]: age.push_back(39);
```

```
[23]: age.push_back(45.5); // can't correctly add double to int vector
```

```
input_line_38:2:16: warning: implicit conversion from  
'double' to 'std::__1::vector<int, std::__1::allocator<int> >::value_type' (aka  
'int') changes
```

```
    value from 45.5 to 45 [-Wliteral-conversion]  
age.push_back(45.5); // can't correctly add double to int vector  
~~~~~ ^~~~
```

```
[24]: age
```

```
[24]: { 25, 39, 45 }
```

```
[25]: // let's see the last element  
age.back()
```

```
[25]: 45
```

```
[26]: // let's remove the last element  
age.pop_back();
```

```
[27]: // check if last element is gone  
age
```

```
[27]: { 25, 39 }
```

```
[28]: // push_back rectangle  
rectangles.push_back({5, 2});
```

```
[29]: // instantiate r1 object  
RectangleType r1 = {100, 50};
```

```
[30]: // add r1 object into rectangles vector  
rectangles.push_back(r1);
```

```
[31]: // Jupyter doesn't know how to display rectangle objects; it displays their
      ↪addresses
      rectangles
```

```
[31]: { @0x7fb53cf2ebe0, @0x7fb53cf2ebe8, @0x7fb53cf2ebf0, @0x7fb53cf2ebf8 }
```

## 1.7 12.6 Traversing vectors

- similar to string and C-array, vectors can be accessed from the first to last element
- use loop and index or iterators

```
[32]: for(auto val: words)
      cout << val << " ";
```

```
I; love; c++; vectors;
```

```
[33]: for(int i=0; i<words.size(); i++) {
      cout << words[i] << " is " << words[i].length() << " characters long." <<
      ↪endl;
      }
```

```
I is 1 characters long.
love is 4 characters long.
c++ is 3 characters long.
vectors is 7 characters long.
```

```
[34]: // auto also works on user-defined type
      for(auto rect: rectangles) {
          cout << "rectangle info - length x width: " << rect.length << " x " << rect.
          ↪width << endl;
      }
```

```
rectangle info - length x width: 10 x 5
rectangle info - length x width: 8.5 x 2.6
rectangle info - length x width: 5 x 2
rectangle info - length x width: 100 x 50
```

```
[35]: // same as above
      for(RectangleType rect: rectangles) {
          cout << "rectangle info - length x width: " << rect.length << " x " << rect.
          ↪width << endl;
      }
```

```
rectangle info - length x width: 10 x 5
rectangle info - length x width: 8.5 x 2.6
rectangle info - length x width: 5 x 2
rectangle info - length x width: 100 x 50
```

```
[36]: // using index
for(int i=0; i<rectangles.size(); i++) {
    cout << "rectangle area: "
        << rectangles[i].length << "x"
        << rectangles[i].width << " = "
        << rectangles[i].length*rectangles[i].width << endl;
}
```

```
rectangle area: 10x5 = 50
rectangle area: 8.5x2.6 = 22.1
rectangle area: 5x2 = 10
rectangle area: 100x50 = 5000
```

## 1.8 12.7 Iterators

- similar to string iterators, vector provides various iterators
- iterators are special pointers that let you manipulate vector
- several member function of vector uses iterator to do its operation
- let's revisit the iterators we went over in string chapter
- **begin( )** - returns iterator to the first element
- **end( )** - returns iterator to the end (past the last element)
- **rbegin( )** - returns reverse iterator to the last element
- **rend( )** - returns a reverse iterator to the beginning (prior to the first element)

```
[37]: // let's use iterator to traverse vectors
// very similar to using for loop with index
for(auto iter = words.begin(); iter != words.end(); iter++)
    cout << *iter << "; "; // iter is a pointer; so must dereference to access
    ↪ value pointed to by iter
```

```
I; love; c++; vectors;
```

```
[38]: // let's reverse traverse
for(auto iter = words.rbegin(); iter != words.rend(); iter++)
    cout << *iter << "; "; // iter is a pointer; so must dereference to access
    ↪ value pointed to by iter
```

```
vectors; c++; love; I;
```

## 1.9 12.8 Aggregate operations

- some aggregate operators such as assignment (=) and comparison operators (>, ==, etc.) are overloaded and work out of the box on vector objects as a whole
- sorta! - depends on what type of vector it is and is there predefined ordering of values in that type!
- input, output (<<, >>) operators do not work on vector objects as a whole

```

[39]: // create words_copy vector with copy assignment
vector<string> words_copy = words; // deep copies words into words_copy

[40]: vector<RectangleType> rectangles_copy;

[41]: rectangles_copy = rectangles; // deep copies rectangles into rectangles_copy

[41]: { @0x7fb53d544fa0, @0x7fb53d544fa8, @0x7fb53d544fb0, @0x7fb53d544fb8 }

[42]: // string can be compared out of the box
if (words == words_copy)
    cout << "two vectors are equal!";
else
    cout << "two vectors are not equal!";

```

two vectors are equal!

```

[43]: // each rectangle objects can't be compared.. recall struct aggregate operation
// two struct types can't be compared out of the box; can be done, however,
↳with operator overloading!!
if (rectangles_copy == rectangles)
    cout << "equal!";
else
    cout << "not equal";

```

In file included from input\_line\_5:1:

In file included from

/Users/rbasnet/anaconda3/envs/cpp/include/xeus/xinterpreter.hpp:13:

In file included from

/Users/rbasnet/anaconda3/envs/cpp/include/c++/v1/string:504:

In file included from

/Users/rbasnet/anaconda3/envs/cpp/include/c++/v1/string\_view:175:

In file included from

/Users/rbasnet/anaconda3/envs/cpp/include/c++/v1/\_\_string:56:

/Users/rbasnet/anaconda3/envs/cpp/include/c++/v1/algorithm:678:71:

**error:** invalid operands to binary expression ('const

RectangleType' and 'const RectangleType')

```

    bool operator()(const _T1& __x, const _T1& __y) const {return __x == __y;}
                                ~~~ ^

```

~~~

/Users/rbasnet/anaconda3/envs/cpp/include/c++/v1/algorithm:1262:14:

note: in instantiation of member function

'std::\_\_1::\_\_equal\_to<RectangleType, RectangleType>::operator()' requested here

```

    if (!__pred(*__first1, *__first2))

```



~/Users/rbasnet/anaconda3/envs/cpp/include/c++/v1/algorithm:1275:19:

note: in instantiation of function template specialization

```
'std::__1::equal<std::__1::__wrap_iter<const RectangleType *>,
    std::__1::__wrap_iter<const RectangleType *>,
std::__1::__equal_to<RectangleType, RectangleType> >' requested here
    return _VSTD::equal(__first1, __last1, __first2, __equal_to<__v1, __v2>());
```

~/Users/rbasnet/anaconda3/envs/cpp/include/c++/v1/vector:3368:41:

note: in instantiation of function template specialization

```
'std::__1::equal<std::__1::__wrap_iter<const RectangleType *>,
    std::__1::__wrap_iter<const RectangleType *> >' requested here
    return __sz == __y.size() && _VSTD::equal(__x.begin(), __x.end(),
__y.begin());
```

input\_line\_63:4:21: note: in instantiation of function

```
template specialization 'std::__1::operator==<RectangleType,
    std::__1::allocator<RectangleType> >' requested here
if (rectangles_copy == rectangles)
```

~/Users/rbasnet/anaconda3/envs/cpp/include/c++/v1/utility:579:1:

note: candidate template ignored: could not match 'pair<type-parameter-0-0, type-parameter-0-1>' against 'const RectangleType'  
operator==(const pair<\_T1, \_T2>& \_\_x, const pair<\_T1, \_T2>& \_\_y)

~/Users/rbasnet/anaconda3/envs/cpp/include/c++/v1/iterator:739:1:

note: candidate template ignored: could not match

```
'reverse_iterator<type-parameter-0-0>' against 'const RectangleType'  
operator==(const reverse_iterator<_Iter1>& __x, const reverse_iterator<_Iter2>& __y)
```

~/Users/rbasnet/anaconda3/envs/cpp/include/c++/v1/iterator:968:1:

note: candidate template ignored: could not match

```
'istream_iterator<type-parameter-0-0, type-parameter-0-1,
    type-parameter-0-2, type-parameter-0-3>' against 'const RectangleType'  
operator==(const istream_iterator<_Tp, _CharT, _Traits, _Distance>& __x,
```

~/Users/rbasnet/anaconda3/envs/cpp/include/c++/v1/iterator:1072:6:

note: candidate template ignored: could not match

```
'istreambuf_iterator<type-parameter-0-0, type-parameter-0-1>' against  
'const RectangleType'
```

```

bool operator==(const istreambuf_iterator<_CharT,_Traits>& __a,
~

/Users/rbasnet/anaconda3/envs/cpp/include/c++/v1/iterator:1175:1:
note: candidate template ignored: could not match
'move_iterator<type-parameter-0-0>' against 'const RectangleType'
operator==(const move_iterator<_Iter1>& __x, const move_iterator<_Iter2>& __y)
~

/Users/rbasnet/anaconda3/envs/cpp/include/c++/v1/iterator:1547:1:
note: candidate template ignored: could not match
'__wrap_iter<type-parameter-0-0>' against 'const RectangleType'
operator==(const __wrap_iter<_Iter1>& __x, const __wrap_iter<_Iter2>& __y)
_NOEXCEPT
~

/Users/rbasnet/anaconda3/envs/cpp/include/c++/v1/tuple:1139:1:
note: candidate template ignored: could not match 'tuple<type-
parameter-0-0...>' against 'const RectangleType'
operator==(const tuple<_Tp...>& __x, const tuple<_Up...>& __y)
~

/Users/rbasnet/anaconda3/envs/cpp/include/c++/v1/memory:1986:6:
note: candidate template ignored: could not match
'allocator<type-parameter-0-0>' against 'const RectangleType'
bool operator==(const allocator<_Tp>&, const allocator<_Up>&) _NOEXCEPT {return
true;}
~

/Users/rbasnet/anaconda3/envs/cpp/include/c++/v1/memory:2847:1:
note: candidate template ignored: could not match
'unique_ptr<type-parameter-0-0, type-parameter-0-1>' against
'const RectangleType'
operator==(const unique_ptr<_T1, _D1>& __x, const unique_ptr<_T2, _D2>& __y)
{return __x.get() == __y.get();}
~

/Users/rbasnet/anaconda3/envs/cpp/include/c++/v1/memory:2883:1:
note: candidate template ignored: could not match
'unique_ptr<type-parameter-0-0, type-parameter-0-1>' against
'const RectangleType'
operator==(const unique_ptr<_T1, _D1>& __x, nullptr_t) _NOEXCEPT
~

/Users/rbasnet/anaconda3/envs/cpp/include/c++/v1/memory:2891:1:
note: candidate template ignored: could not match
'unique_ptr<type-parameter-0-0, type-parameter-0-1>' against

```

```

    'const RectangleType'
operator==(nullptr_t, const unique_ptr<T1, _D1>& __x) _NOEXCEPT
~

/Users/rbasnet/anaconda3/envs/cpp/include/c++/v1/memory:4667:1:
note: candidate template ignored: could not match
'shared_ptr<type-parameter-0-0>' against 'const RectangleType'
operator==(const shared_ptr<Tp>& __x, const shared_ptr<Up>& __y) _NOEXCEPT
~

/Users/rbasnet/anaconda3/envs/cpp/include/c++/v1/memory:4721:1:
note: candidate template ignored: could not match
'shared_ptr<type-parameter-0-0>' against 'const RectangleType'
operator==(const shared_ptr<Tp>& __x, nullptr_t) _NOEXCEPT
~

/Users/rbasnet/anaconda3/envs/cpp/include/c++/v1/memory:4729:1:
note: candidate template ignored: could not match
'shared_ptr<type-parameter-0-0>' against 'const RectangleType'
operator==(nullptr_t, const shared_ptr<Tp>& __x) _NOEXCEPT
~

/Users/rbasnet/anaconda3/envs/cpp/include/c++/v1/functional:2452:1:
note: candidate template ignored: could not match
'function<type-parameter-0-0 (type-parameter-0-1...)>' against
    'const RectangleType'
operator==(const function<_Rp(_ArgTypes...)>& __f, nullptr_t) _NOEXCEPT {return
!__f;}
~

/Users/rbasnet/anaconda3/envs/cpp/include/c++/v1/functional:2457:1:
note: candidate template ignored: could not match
'function<type-parameter-0-0 (type-parameter-0-1...)>' against
    'const RectangleType'
operator==(nullptr_t, const function<_Rp(_ArgTypes...)>& __f) _NOEXCEPT {return
!__f;}
~

```

Interpreter Error:

## 1.10 12.9 Passing vectors to functions

- vector can be passed to functions by value or by reference
- unless required, it's always efficient to pass containers type such as vectors to function by

reference

- copying data can be costly (take a long time) depending on the amount of data vector has

```
[44]: // given a vector of values find and return average
float findAverage(const vector<int> & v) {
    float sum = 0;
    for (auto val: v)
        sum += val;
    return sum/v.size();
}
```

```
[45]: // let's see the values of age vector
age
```

```
[45]: { 25, 39 }
```

```
[46]: cout << "average age = " << findAverage(age);
```

```
average age = 32
```

```
[47]: // printVector function
template<class T>
void printVector(const vector<T>& v) {
    char comma[3] = {'\0', ' ', '\0'};
    cout << '[';
    for (const auto& e: v) {
        cout << comma << e;
        comma[0] = ',';
    }
    cout << "]\n";
}
```

```
[48]: printVector(words);
```

```
[I, love, c++, vectors]
```

```
[49]: printVector(age)
```

```
[25, 39]
```

## 1.11 12.10 Returning vector from functions

- since vector supports (=) copy operator, returning vector from functions is possible
- since returned vector needs to be copied (which can be costly),
  - it's best practice to use pass-by reference to get the data/results out of functions

```
[14]: // function that gets vector of integers
void getNumbers(vector<int> & numbers) {
    cout << "Enter as many whole numbers as you wish.\nEnter 'done' when done:
    ↪\n";
    int num;
    while(cin >> num) // cin will return false when it fails
        numbers.push_back(num);
}
```

```
[15]: // create an empty vector
vector<int> my_numbers;
```

```
[16]: getNumbers(my_numbers);
```

```
Enter as many whole numbers as you wish.
Enter 'done' when done:
1000
898
10
345
4232
end
```

```
[53]: my_numbers
```

```
[53]: { 10, 99, 100, 345 }
```

## 1.12 12.11 Two-dimensional vector

- if we insert vectors as an element to a vector, we essentially get a 2-d vector
  - similar to 2-d array

```
[10]: // let's declare a 2-d vector of integers
vector< vector<int> > matrix;
```

```
[11]: // add the first vector - first row
matrix.push_back({1, 2, 3, 4});
```

```
[12]: matrix[0]
```

```
[12]: { 1, 2, 3, 4 }
```

```
[13]: // let's add an empty vector as the second element or 2nd row
matrix.push_back(vector<int>());
```

```
[14]: // let's add elements to the 2nd vector or 2nd row
matrix[1].push_back(5);
```

```
matrix[1].push_back(6);  
matrix[1].push_back(7);  
matrix[1].push_back(8);
```

```
[15]: matrix[1]
```

```
[15]: { 5, 6, 7, 8 }
```

```
[16]: // access element of vector elements  
// first row, first column  
matrix[0][0]
```

```
[16]: 1
```

```
[17]: // 2nd row, fourth column  
matrix[1][3]
```

```
[17]: 8
```

### 1.13 12.12 Sort vector

- vector like array needs to be sorted often to solve many problems
- let's use built-in sort function in algorithm library
  - way better than using bubble sort, or implementing another faster algorithm such as quick sort

```
[2]: #include <vector>  
#include <algorithm> // sort()  
#include <iterator> // begin() and end()  
#include <functional> // greater<>();  
#include <iostream>  
  
using namespace std;
```

```
[3]: vector<int> some_values = { 100, 99, 85, 40, 1233, 1};
```

```
[7]: // let's sort some_values  
sort(begin(some_values), end(some_values));
```

```
[8]: some_values
```

```
[8]: { 1, 40, 85, 99, 100, 1233 }
```

```
[18]: // let's sort 1st row of matrix in reverse order  
matrix[0]
```

```
[18]: { 1, 2, 3, 4 }
```

```
[19]: // sort in increasing order
      sort(matrix[0].begin(), matrix[0].end());
```

```
[20]: matrix[0]
```

```
[20]: { 1, 2, 3, 4 }
```

```
[21]: // sort in on-increasing order
      sort(matrix[0].begin(), matrix[0].end(), greater<int>());
```

```
[22]: matrix[0]
```

```
[22]: { 4, 3, 2, 1 }
```

## 1.14 12.13 Exercises

### 1.14.1 Solve all exercises listed in Array chapter using vector instead.

1. Write a function that splits a given text/string into a vector of individual words
  - each word is sequence of characters separated by a whitespace
  - write 3 test cases

```
[23]: // Solution to Exercise 1
      void splitString(vector<string> &words, string text) {
          string word;
          stringstream ss(text);
          while (ss >> word) {
              words.push_back(word);
          }
      }
```

```
[24]: void test_splitString() {
      vector<string> answer;
      splitString(answer, "word");
      vector<string> actual = {"word"};
      assert(answer == actual);
      answer.clear();
      splitString(answer, "two word");
      vector<string> actual1 = {"two", "word"};
      assert(answer == actual1);
      answer.clear();
      splitString(answer, "A sentence with multiple words!");
      vector<string> actual2 = {"A", "sentence", "with", "multiple", "words!"};
      assert(answer == actual2);
      answer.clear();
      cerr << "all test cases is passed for splitString()\n";
  }
```

```
[25]: test_splitString();
```

all test cases is passed for splitString()

```
[26]: vector<string> tokens;
```

```
[27]: // not needed but just in case!  
tokens.clear();
```

```
[28]: splitString(tokens, "This is a long sentence so long that it's hard to_  
→comprehend!");
```

```
[29]: tokens
```

```
[29]: { "This", "is", "a", "long", "sentence", "so", "long", "that", "it's", "hard",  
"to", "comprehend!" }
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2. Write a program that computes distance between two points in Cartesian coordinates.
  - use struct to represent Point
  - prompt user to enter two points
  - use vector to store all the entered points
  - use as many function(s) as possible
  - write at least 3 test cases for each computing functions
  - program continues to run until user wants to quit
  - most of the part is done in Jupyter Notebook demo
3. Write a program to compute area and circumference of a circle using struct.
  - use struct to represent Circle
  - prompt user to enter radius of a circle
  - use vector to store all the entered circle
  - use as many function(s) as possible
  - write at least 3 test cases for each computing functions
  - program continues to run until user wants to quit
4. Write a program to compute area and perimeter of a rectangle using struct.
  - use struct to represent Rectangle
  - prompt user to enter length and width of a rectangle
  - use vector to store all the entered rectangle data
  - use as many function(s) as possible
  - write at least 3 test cases for each computing functions
  - program continues to run until user wants to quit
5. Write a program to compute area and perimeter of a triangle given 3 sides.
  - use struct to represent Triangle
  - prompt user to enter 3 sides of a triangle
  - use vector to store all the entered triangles data
  - use as many function(s) as possible
  - write at least 3 test cases for each computing functions
  - program continues to run until user wants to quit



**1.14.2** a sample solution to exercise 4 is found here [demo\\_programs/Ch12/triangle.cpp](#)

## **1.15 12.15 Kattis problems**

- problems that require to store large amount of data in sequential order in memory can use vector very effectively
  - design your solutions in a way that it can be tested writing automated test cases
1. Dice Game - <https://open.kattis.com/problems/dicegame>
  2. Falling Apart - <https://open.kattis.com/problems/fallingapart>
  3. Height Ordering - <https://open.kattis.com/problems/height>
  4. What does the fox say? - <https://open.kattis.com/problems/whatdoesthefoxsay>
  5. Army Strength (Easy) - <https://open.kattis.com/problems/armystrengtheasy>
  6. Army Strength (Hard) - <https://open.kattis.com/problems/armystrengthhard>
  7. Black Friday - <https://open.kattis.com/problems/blackfriday>
  8. Bacon, Eggs and Spam - <https://open.kattis.com/problems/baconeggsandspam>

### **1.15.1 sorting vectors with two keys**

1. Roll Call - <https://open.kattis.com/problems/rollcall>
2. Cooking Water - <https://open.kattis.com/problems/cookingwater>

## **1.16 12.16 Summary**

- this chapter covered C++ vector container STL
- vector is an easier alternative to C-array
- vector is an advanced type that you can create/instantiate objects from
- the type of the data must be mentioned as a template parameter while declaring vectors
- provides many out-of-the-box common operations in the form of member functions or methods
- vector can be passed to functions; returning a large vector may not be effective due to copying of data
- problems and sample solutions

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