# Standard Template Library

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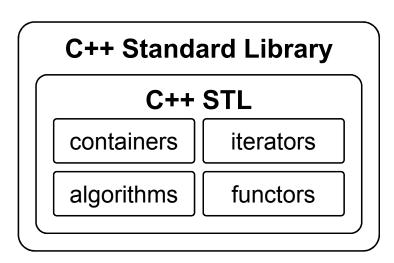
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## STL origin:

- Alexander Stepanov, 1994.
- Main part of C++ Standard Library.
- Use template extensively.
- Abstract data types and algorithms.
- Structure:
  - > Containers.
  - > Algorithms.
  - > Iterators.
  - > Functors.

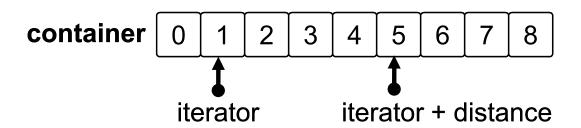


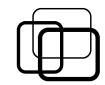




## Iterator concept:

- An abstract pointer points to container element.
- An object to access items in container.
- Pointer operations:
  - Referencing: <iterator> = <get position>.
  - De-referencing: \*<iterator>, <iterator>->.
  - > Jumping: ++/--<iterator>, <iterator> +/- <distance>.
  - Distance: <iterator 1> <iterator 2>.



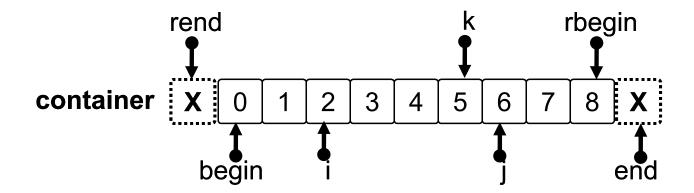


## Iterator concept:

#### ■ Referencing:

```
<container type>::iterator <iterator> = <container position> +/- k.
<container position>: begin, end, rbegin, rend.
```

```
std::vector<int> v {0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8};
std::vector<int>::iterator i = v.begin() + 2;
auto j = v.end() - 3;  // auto type deducing.
auto k = v.rbegin() + 3;  // auto type deducing.
```





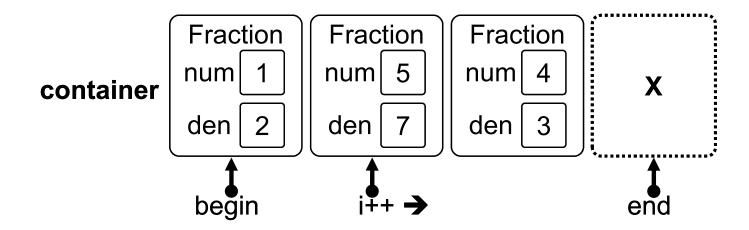
## Iterator concept:

De-referencing and jumping:

```
struct Fraction {
  int num, den;
};

std::vector<Fraction> v { {1, 2}, {5, 7}, {4, 3} };

for (auto i = v.begin(); i!= v.end(); ++i)
  std::cout << i-> num << '/' << i-> den << '\n';</pre>
```





## Iterator concept:

- Stream iterator:
  - > Treat stream like a container.
  - Read/write stream in STL way.
  - > Begin position:

```
std::istream_iterator<type>( <stream> ).
std::ostream_iterator<type>( <stream>, <delimeter string> ).
```

> End position: std::istream\_iterator<type>( ).

```
std::ifstream f("input.txt");
auto f_begin = std::istream_iterator<int>( f );
auto f_end = std::istream_iterator<int>( );
auto o = std::ostream_iterator<int>( std::cout, "\n" );
for ( auto i = f_begin; i != f_end; ++i )
    *o = *i; // Read int from f and write to std::cout.
```



## Iterator concept:

- Insert iterator:
  - > Write value to iterator = insert value to container.
  - Convenient way to insert element.
  - Back insert postion: std::back\_inserter(<container>).
  - Front insert position: std::front\_inserter(<container>).
  - > Specified position: std::inserter(<container>, <iterator pos>).
     std::ifstream f("input.txt");
     auto f\_begin = std::istream\_iterator<int>( f );
     auto f\_end = std::istream\_iterator<int>( );
     std::vector<int> v;
     auto o = std::back\_inserter( v );
     for ( auto i = f\_begin; i != f\_end; ++i )
     \*o = \*i; // Read int from f and push back to v.



## Functor concept:

- An object can be called like function.
- By defining operator ().

```
<return type> <class name>::operator ( )( <arguments> ).
                                                      int main()
class Power {
private:
                                                        Power square(2);
  int m expo;
                                                        float x = square(3);
public:
                                                        float y = square(5);
  Power( int expo ): m_expo( expo ) { }
                                                        Power cube(3);
  float operator ()( float base ) {
                                                        float z = cube(4);
     float res = 1;
     for (int i = 0; i < m_expo; ++i)
                                                        float t = cube(6);
        res *= base;
     return res;
```



## Functor concept:

A functor can store state.

```
class EvenCounter {
                                              int main()
private:
                                                std::vector<int> v {1, 2, 3, 4, 5};
  int m_count; // Functor state.
public:
                                                EvenCounter count(0);
  EvenCounter( int start ):
     m count( start ) {
                                                for (auto e: v)
                                                    count(e);
                                                 std::cout << count( 1 );
  int operator ()( int value ) {
     if ( value \% 2 == 0 )
        ++m count; // Update each call.
     return m count;
```



## Functor concept:

- Pre-defined functors (library <functional>):
  - > Arithmetics: std::plus, std::minus.
  - Comparisons: std::greater, std::less, std::equal\_to.
  - Not complement: std::not\_fn.

```
auto is_same = std::equal_to();
bool r1 = is_same(1, 1);  // r1 = true.
bool r2 = is_same(1, 2);  // r2 = false.
auto is_different = std::not_fn(is_same);
bool r3 = is_different(1, 1);  // r3 = false.
bool r4 = is_different(1, 2);  // r4 = false.
```



## Functor concept:

- Lambda expression: (C++11)
  - > An anonymous functor.
  - Defined and used in-place.
    [<captured states>] ( <arguments> ) -> <return type>
    {
     // Functor body.

<capture states>: existing or declared variables.



## Functor concept:

■ Lambda expression: (C++11)

```
int main()
{ // Anonymous functor having cnt as state.
  auto countEven = [cnt = 0] ( int value ) {
         if ( value \% 2 == 0 )
           ++cnt;
         return cnt;
  std::vector<int> v {1, 2, 3, 4, 5};
  for (auto e: v)
         countEven( e );
  std::cout << countEven( 1 );
```

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## Basic concept:

- A collections of same type elements.
- Store elements in specific data structure.
- Features:
  - > Common ways to work with different data structures.
  - General access by iterator.
  - > Dynamic memory management.

#### Classifications:

- > Sequence containers.
- > Associative containers.
- > Container adaptors.



## Sequence containers:

- Store elements in linear data structure.
- Insert orders are maintained.
- Access element by index.

Containers	Data structures	Features
std::vector	1 2 3 4 5 6	Random access Fast insert/delete end Low memory cost
std::list	1 2 2 3 2 4 2 5 2 6	Sequential access Very fast insert/delete
std::deque	1 2 3 4 5 6	Random access Fast insert/delete begin, end High memory cost



#### Associative containers:

- Store elements in binary search tree.
- Insert orders are not maintained.
- Access element by value.

Containers	Data structures	Use cases
std::set set::multiset	4 9 2 5 7	Fast search values Fast insert/delete
std::map std::multimap	6 d 4 x 9 c 2 z 5 s 7 a	Fast search pairs Fast insert/delete .



#### Unordered associative containers:

Store elements in hash table.

Faster but more memory cost.

Containers	Data structures	Use cases
std::unordered_set set::unordered_multiset	$\begin{array}{c} h(6) \\ h(4) = h(2) \\ \hline h(7) \\ \hline \end{pmatrix} \begin{array}{c} 4 \\ \hline \end{array} \begin{array}{c} 2 \\ \hline \end{array}$ $\begin{array}{c} h(7) \\ \hline \end{array} \begin{array}{c} 7 \\ \hline \end{array}$ $\begin{array}{c} h(9) = h(5) \\ \hline \end{array} \begin{array}{c} 9 \\ \hline \end{array} \begin{array}{c} 5 \\ \hline \end{array}$	Very fast search values Very fast insert/delete Very high memory cost
std::unordered_map std::unordered_multimap	$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	Very fast search pairs Very fast insert/delete Very high memory cost .



## Container adaptors:

- Wrapper of sequence container.
- Provide different API.
- std::stack: LIFO access (push, pop, top).
- std::queue: FIFO access (push, pop, front, back).

```
std::stack<Fraction> s1;  // Stack with std::deque as container.
std::queue<int, std::list<int> > s2; // Queue with std::list as container.
```



#### Construct container:

- Constructor:
  - > <container type> <container>{ element1, element2, ... }.
  - > <container type> <container>( <iter begin>, <iter end> ).
- Assign (sequence container):
  - > <container>.assign( { element1, element2, ... } ).
  - > <container>.assign( <iter begin>, <iter end> ).



#### Iteration:

■ Use iterator:

```
for (auto i = <container>.begin(); i != <container>.end(); ++i) {
            // Process each element.
■ Use range-based for (C++11):
   for (auto &e: <container>) {
            // Process each element.
   std::vector<int> v {2, 2, 1, 3, 1, 3, 5};
  for (auto &e: v)
     std::cout << e << ' ';
                                        // Print vector: 2 2 1 3 1 3 5
   std::cout << '\n';
   std::set<int> s( v.begin( ), v.end( ) );
  for (auto &e: s)
                                        // Print set: 1 2 3 5
     std::cout << e << ' ';
```



#### Insert/erase elements:

- <container>.insert:
  - Insert value: insert( <iter pos>, <value> ).
  - Insert range: insert( <iter pos>, <iter begin>, <iter end> ).
- <container>.erase:
  - Erase value: erase( <iter pos> ).
  - > Erase range: erase( <iter begin>, <iter end> ).

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#### Initialize elements:

- std::fill( <iter begin>, <iter end>, <value> ).
- std::generate( <iter begin>, <iter end>,<gen functor> ).
- std::generate\_n( <iter begin>, n, <gen functor> ).
- std::iota( <iter begin>, <iter end>, <start value> ).
- Practice:
  - > Initialize a list of N random numbers.
  - > Initialize a list of N integers from N to 1.



## Compute elements:

- std::accumulate.
- std::count.
- std::count\_if.
- std::inner\_product.
- std::sort.
- Practice:
  - > Compute distance of two N-D points.
  - > Sort a list of integers in the following order:
    - Even numbers first, then odd numbers.
    - Even numbers in ascending.
    - Odd numbers in descending.



## Copy elements:

- std::copy.
- std::copy\_if.
- std::remove\_copy\_if.
- Practice:
  - > Extract prime numbers from a list of integers.



#### ■ Find elements:

- std::find.
- std::find\_if.
- std::find\_if\_not.
- std::adjacent\_find.
- std::search.
- Practice:
  - > Check if a string contains all numbers or not.
  - > Check if a list of integers is an arithmetic sequence.



#### ■ Remove elements:

- std::remove.
- std::remove\_if.
- std::unique.
- Remove and erase idom.
- Practice:
  - > Delete all negative numbers in a list of integers.
  - > Delete multiple consecutive spaces in a string.



#### Transform elements:

- std::transform.
- std::replace.
- std::replace\_if.
- Practice:
  - > Square root all perfect numbers in a list.
  - > Capitalize first letter of each word in a string.

# Summary



#### Overview:

- Generic data types and algorithms.
- Structure: containers, algorithms, iterators, functors.

#### Iterator:

- > Pointer object pointing to container element.
- > Pointer operations: reference, de-reference, jump, distance.
- > Stream iterator, insert iterator.

#### **■** Functor:

- > Object acting like function, can store states.
- > By overload operator ().
- Lambda: anonymous in-place functor.



# Summary



#### Containers:

- Same type elements in specific data structure.
- Dynamic memory management.
- Classifications:
  - > Sequence: vector, list, deque.
  - > Associative: set, multiset, map, multimap.
  - > Unordered: unordered\_set, unordered\_map.
  - Adapter: stack, queue.

#### Operations:

- Constructor/assign.
- Iteration: iterator for, range-based for.
- > Insert/erase.



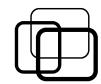
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## Algorithms:

- Initialize: fill, iota, generate, generate\_n.
- Compute: accumulate, count, count\_if, sort.
- Copy: copy, copy\_if, remove\_copy\_if.
- Find: find, find\_if, find\_if\_not, adjacent\_find, search.
- Remove: remove, remove\_if, unique.
- Transform: transform, replace, replace\_if.

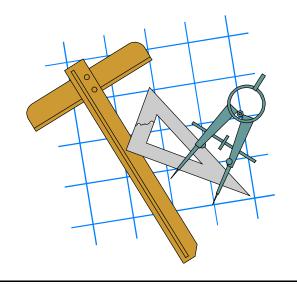




#### ■ Practice 5.1:

Write C++ functions to do the following initializations: (use Standard Template Library)

- a) Initialize a list of N integers as follow:
  - + Even indexes: [1..(N+1)/2].
  - + Odd indexes: random numbers.
- b) Initialize a list of the first N prime numbers.





#### ■ Practice 5.2:

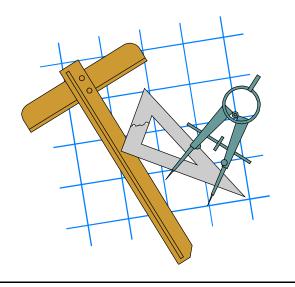
Write C++ function to check if a string is a palindrome or not.

(use Standard Template Library)

Note: a palindrome is string that reads the same backward or forward, spaces and punctuations are not counted.

#### Example:

- "Race car".
- "A man, a plan, a canal, Panama!".





#### ■ Practice 5.3:

Write C++ function to normalize string as follow:

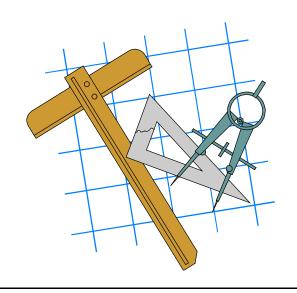
(use Standard Template Library)

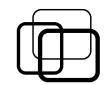
- Eliminate leading and trailing spaces.
- Eliminate multiple consecutive spaces or punctuations.
- Capitalize first letter of each words.

#### Example:

" [[[the quick,,, brown fox ]]] "

→ "[the quick, brown fox]"





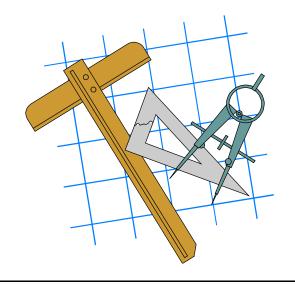
#### ■ Practice 5.4:

File "INPUT.TXT" stores integers separated by spaces.

Write C++ function to filter out prime numbers from "INPUT.TXT" and write the result to file "OUTPUT.TXT" with integers separated by '\n'. (use Standard Template Library)

INPUT.TXT		
1 3 5		
2 4		
7 13 12		
6 9 11		

# OUTPUT.TXT 1 2 4 12 6





#### ■ Practice 5.5:

A student has name and GPA.

Given a list of students, write C++ function to print student counts grouped by GPA in descending order of the counts.

(use Standard Template Library)

Student list:

{ "John", 7}, {"Eve", 9}, {"Ander", 7}, {"Dora", 8}, {"Tom", 7}, {"Alex", 9}

Result list:

GPA 7: 3 students.

GPA 9: 2 students.

GPA 8: 1 students.

