THE STANDARD TEMPLATE LIBRARY (STL - PART 2)

CS 250 – C++ Programming 2

More Containers

- This time we will look at:
 - Class pair
 - Used by map and multimap
 - Associative containers
 - o set and multiset
 - o map and multimap

CLASS pair

- The class pair combines <u>two</u> values in a single unit
- Every object of type pair has **two member variables**:
 - first and second
 - Can be <u>different</u> types
 - Both member variables are public
 - This means that first and second can be accessed without using an accessor function.
- Need to include <utility>

- The class pair has 3 constructors:
 - The default constructor:

```
pair<T1,T2> pairObj;
```

An overloaded constructor with two parameters:

```
pair<T1,T2> pairObj(T1,T2);
```

• A copy constructor:

```
pair<T1,T2> pairObj(otherPairObj);
```

• Note that the class **pair** can have **different types** for the pair.

```
#include <utility>
...
void someFunction()
{
    pair<int,double> pair1(3, 5.4);

    cout << pair1.first << " " << pair1.second << endl;
}</pre>
```

OUTPUT: 3 5.4

• Another example

```
#include <utility>
...

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...

void someFunction()

{
    pair<int,MyClass> pair1; // default values

cout << pair1.first << " " << pair1.second << endl;</pre>
```

class MyClass

public:

The program will crash. Why?

• Another example

```
#include <utility>
...

void someFunction()
{
   pair<int,MyClass> pair1; // default values

   cout << pair1.first << " " << pair1.second << endl;</pre>
```

class MyClass

public:

private:

Because the **insertion operator** needs to be **overloaded** in the class **MyClass** to print an object of that class.

CLASS pair – ANOTHER EXAMPLE

```
#include <utility>
...
pair<int,double> p1;
p1.first = 3;
p1.second = 4.0;

pair<int,double> p2(13, 45.9);
pair<string,int> student("Bob", 1234);

cout << student.first; //Output: Bob
cout << student.second; //Output: 1234</pre>
```

member variables are public

ASSOCIATIVE CONTAINERS

• Associative containers

- Automatically sorted
- Default ordering criterion
 - The relational operator < (less than)
 - Ascending order
 - Can be changed to other criteria

• STL associative containers:

- Sets and multisets
- Maps and multimaps

SETS AND MULTISETS

- The STL set and multiset classes automatically sort their elements according to some criteria
 - By **default**, the sorting is done in **ascending order**
 - But it can also be specified according to a different sorting criterion
- The only difference between **sets** and **multisets** is that **multiset** allows **duplicates**

Maps and Multimaps

- The STL map and multimap classes manage their elements in the form key/value (a given ordered pair)
 - The elements are *automatically* sorted according to some sort criteria applied on the **key**
 - By default, the sorting is done in ascending order
 - But it can also be specified according to a different sorting criterion
- The only difference between **maps** and **multimaps** is that a **multimap** allows **duplicates**

HOW TO INITIALIZE A MAP

o Using insert and make_pair

```
map<int,int> intMap;

for (int i = 1; i < 10; ++i)  // insert integers
        intMap.insert( make_pair(i, (100 / i)) );

map<int,int>::const_iterator it = intMap.cbegin();
map<int,int>::const_iterator itEnd = intMap.cend();

for (it; it != itEnd; ++ it)
        cout << it->first << " " << it->second << endl;</pre>
```

The **map** will contain the following elements: $\{(1, 100), (2, 50), \dots (8, 12), (9, 11)\}$

HOW TO INITIALIZE A MAP (CONT.)

o Using an initializer list

HOW TO INITIALIZE A MAP (CONT.)

• A pair of elements at a time

CONSTRUCTORS

• Project: 10_stl_2_files

