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## 【Ch9】 Sequential Container

### 9.3.6 Container Operations May Invalidate Iterators

Operations that add or remove elements from a container **can invalidate pointers, references, or iterators to container elements.**

**After an operation that adds elements to a container:**

- Iterators, pointers, and references to a `vector` or `string` are invalid **if the container was reallocated**. If no reallocation happens, indirect references to elements before the insertion remain valid; those to elements after the insertion are invalid.
- Iterators, pointers, and references to a `deque` are invalid if we add elements anywhere but at the front or back. If we add at the front or back, **iterators are invalidated**, but references and pointers to existing elements are not
- Iterators, pointers, and references to a `list` or `forward_list` **remain valid**.

**Warning:** *It is a serious run-time error to use an iterator, pointer, or reference that has been invalidated.*

#### *Advice: Managing Iterators*

When we use an iterator(or a reference or pointer to a container element), it is a good idea to **minimize the part of the program during which an iterator must stay valid.**

Because code that adds or removes elements to a container can invalidate iterators, you need to **ensure that the iterator is repositioned**, as appropriate, after each operation

that changes the container. This advice is especially important for vector, string, and deque.

### *Writing Loops that Change a Container*

Loops that add or remove elements of a vector, string, or deque must cater to the fact that **iterators, references, or pointers might be invalidated**.

The program must ensure that the iterator, reference, or pointer is refreshed on each trip through the loop.

Refreshing an iterator is easy if the loop calls insert or erase. **Those operations return iterators, which we can use to reset the iterator:**

```
vector<int> vi = {0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8};
auto iter = vi.begin();
while(iter != vi.end()) {
    if(*iter %2) {
        iter = vi.insert(iter, *iter); //duplicate the element
        iter += 2;
    } else {
        iter = vi.erase(iter);
        //don't advance the iterator; iter denotes the element after the one we erased
    }
}
```

### *Avoid Storing the Iterator Returned from end*

Loops that add or remove elements should always call **end** rather than use a stored copy. Partly for this reason, C++ standard libraries are usually implemented so that calling **end()** is a very fast operation.

*Tip: Don't cache the iterator returned from end() in loops that insert or delete elements in a deque, string, or vector.*

### *Exercise*

**Exercise 9.31:** The program on page 354 to remove even-valued elements and duplicate odd ones will not work on a `list` or `forward_list`. Why? Revise the program so that it works on these types as well.

`forward_list`:

```
#include <iostream>
#include <string>
#include <forward_list>

int main(int argc, char **argv) {
    std::forward_list<int> flst = { 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 };
    auto prev = flst.before_begin();
    auto cur = flst.begin();
    while(cur != flst.end()) {
        if(*cur % 2) {
            prev = flst.insert_after(prev, *cur);
            cur++;
            prev++;
        } else {
            cur = flst.erase_after(prev);
        }
    }

    for(auto a : flst)
        std::cout << a << " ";
    return 0;
}
```

`list`:

```
#include <iostream>
#include <string>
#include <forward_list>
#include <list>

int main(int argc, char **argv) {
    std::list<int> lst = {0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8};
    auto begin = lst.begin();
    while(begin != lst.end()) {
        if(*begin % 2) {
            begin = lst.insert(begin, *begin);
            begin++; begin++;
            //begin+=2 list doesn't support iterator arithmetic
        } else {
            begin = lst.erase(begin);
        }
    }
}
```

```

    }
}

for(auto a : lst)
    std::cout << a << " ";
return 0;
}

```

**Exercise 9.33:** In the final example in this section what would happen if we did not assign the result of `insert` to `begin`? Write a program that omits this assignment to see if your expectation was correct.

If we don't update `begin`, `begin` will become invalid after the first insertion and any following operation on `begin` would be **undefined**.

**Exercise 9.34:** Assuming `vi` is a container of `ints` that includes even and odd values, predict the behavior of the following loop. After you've analyzed this loop, write a program to test whether your expectations were correct.

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```

iter = vi.begin();
while (iter != vi.end())
    if (*iter % 2)
        iter = vi.insert(iter, *iter);
        ++iter;

```

If the container contains any odd number, then the program will run infinitely. `iter` points to the newly copied odd number, incrementing it have **it point to the original element**.