

Lab 3

Data Structures C++ for C Coders

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function overloading
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Lab 3: string, and vector<string>

Step 1: Write two functions that take **argc** and **argv** as arguments and return the same information in their return type, respectively.

- **string *args_to_strArray()**
- **vector<string> args_to_strVector()**

Step 2: Write two functions that print its arguments.

- **void print_args(vector<string> args)**
- **void print_args(string *args, int argc)**

Step 3: Once you code them, move four functions developed above into a new file called **args_to.cpp**.

Step 4: To test your functions in multiple files, build an executable with two files, **args.cpp** and **args_to.cpp**.

```
// args.cpp
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;

int main(const int argc, char** argv) {
    cout << "You entered: "
         << argc << " arguments:" << endl;

    for (int i = 0; i < argc; ++i)
        cout << argv[i] << endl;
    return 0;
}
```

Lab 3 C++ class: string, and vector<string>

```
string *args_to_strArray(int argc, char **argv);  
void print_args(int argc, string *strs);
```

```
vector<string> args_to_strVector(int argc, char **argv);  
void print_args(vector<string> strs);
```

Using new & delete

- The **new** operator allocates memory, and **delete** frees it.

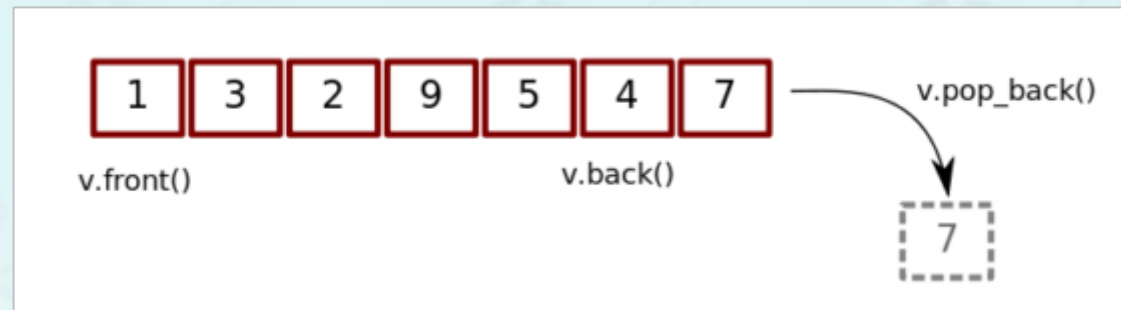
```
int *pi = new int;           // pi points to uninitialized int
int *pi = new int(7);        // which pi points has value 7
string *ps = new string("hello"); // ps points "hello", *ps = hello

int *pia = new int[7];       // array of seven uninitialized ints
int *pia = new int[7]();     // array of seven ints values initialized to 0

string *psa = new string[5]; // array of 5 empty strings
string *psa = new string[5](); // array of 5 empty strings
int *pia = new int[5]{0, 1, 2, 3, 4}; // array of 5 ints initialized
string *psa = new string[2]{"a", "the"}; // array of 2 strings initialized
delete pi;
delete[] pia;
```

Using vector and vector<string>

- In general, arrays are non-dynamic. It is static. That is to say, they are of fixed size. Vector in C++, however, allows us to store data in dynamic arrays.
- Vectors can resize itself automatically when an element is inserted or deleted depending on the need of the task to be executed.



```
#include <vector>
int main() {
    std::vector<int> v;
    v.push_back(1); v.push_back(3);
    ...
    std::cout << v.pop_back() << std::endl;
```

```
    for (int i = 0; i < v.size(); i++)
        std::cout << v[i] << std::endl;

    for (auto e = v.begin(); e != v.end(); e++)
        std::cout << *e << std::endl;

    return 0
}
```

Multiple Source Files

- If you have multiple files to compile and link, for example,
 - Filename: **args.cpp**
 - Filename: **args_to.cpp**
- Compile and execute

```
$ g++ args.cpp args_to.cpp -o args
$ ./args
```

Lab 03:

- Files to submit:
 - `args.cpp`, `args_to.cpp`
- Due:
 - 11:55 pm, on the day the lecture is presented
- Grade:
 - 0.5

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