COMP 3522

Object Oriented Programming in C++
Week 6

Agenda

- l.auto keyword
- 2. Ranged for
- 3. Intro to the STL
- 4. STL containers

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auto KEYWORD

The auto keyword

- When used as a variable type, auto specifies that the type of the variable will be deduced automatically from its initializer.
- When used as a function return type, auto specifies that the return type will be deduced from the return statements

auto

```
double sum = 5.0;
auto a; //ERROR, auto requires initializer
auto d = 5.0;
auto i = 1 + 2;
int add(int x, int y) { return x + y; }
int main()
    auto sum = add(5, 6);
```

auto can't be used with function parameters

```
void add_and_print(auto x, auto y)
{
    std::cout << x + y;
}</pre>
```

This won't work because the compiler can't infer types for function parameters x and y at compile time

auto can be used with function return types

```
auto add(int x, int y)
{
    return x + y;
}
```

I would like to discourage this:

- Using auto for variables is fine because the object is right there
- Using auto for functions means we have to dig into the function to find out what it's supposed to be returning.

Some programmers like to do this:

```
Instead of this:
int add(int x, int y);
They like to do this:
auto add(int x, int y) -> int;
```

In this case, auto does not perform type inference, it is just part of the syntax to use a **trailing return type**. But why, though?

So we can do this (so easy to read!)

```
auto add(int x, int y) -> int;
auto divide(double x, double y) -> double;
auto print_something() -> void;
auto calculate_that(int x, double d) -> string;
```

Additional reading: http://en.cppreference.com/w/cpp/language/auto

RANGED FOR

- Identical to Java
- Some of you have already been using it
- Formally it executes a for loop over a specified range

```
std::vector<int> v = {0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5};

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

for (const int i : v) //i is a copy of element in v
    std::cout << i << ` `;</pre>
```

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

for (const int& i : v) // const reference
    std::cout << i << ' ';</pre>
```

```
std::vector<int> v = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5\};
for (auto i : v) // access by value, i is int
    std::cout << i << ' ';
// the initializer may be a braced-init-list
for (int n : {0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5})
    std::cout << n << ' ';
std::cout << '\n';
```

```
// the initializer may be an array
int a[] = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5\};
for (int n : a)
     std::cout << n << ' ';
// the loop variable doesn't have to be used
for (int n : a)
     std::cout << something unrelated << ' ';</pre>
std::cout << '\n';</pre>
```

INTRO TO THE STL

Standard Template Library

- C++ **STL**
- Like the Java Collections Framework SUPERPOWERED
- One of the most fun and interesting reasons to work with C++
- Composed of:
 - 1. Containers classes that store objects and data
 - 2. Iterators used for working on a sequence of values
 - 3. Algorithms functions specially designed to be used on a range of elements

About the STL

- Uses value semantics containers get a copy of the object we are putting in it
- This means our element class must have:
 - Copy constructor
 - Assignment operator
 - Destructor
- STL performs almost no checking the programmer is responsible for meeting preconditions
- STL uses half-open ranges [included, not included)
 - Imagine array size 5. array[0,5)
 - When iterating through include 0th index, exclude 5th index

Containers

1. Sequence containers

- 1. We specify the order
- array, vector, deque, list, forward_list

2. Associative containers

- 1. Objects are automatically sorted
- 2. Can be searched with O(log n) complexity
- set, multiset, map, multimap

3. Unordered associative containers

- 1. Stored using hash
- 2. Can be searched O(1) to O(n) worst case
- unordered_set, unordered_multiset, unordered_map, unordered_multimap

Suppose we have a container object c...

c.insert(x); // Inserts a copy of x into an associative container
c.insert(position, x); // Inserts a copy of x into a sequence
container

- **c.begin()**; // Returns an iterator pointing to the first element in the container if it exists
- **c.end()**; // Returns an iterator one past the end of the container

```
for (auto it = c.begin(); it != c.end(); ++it) { // process! }
```

About vectors (again...)

A vector is a **dynamic array** that offers random access and insertion/deletion

```
#include <vector>
vector<int> v;
v.push_back(2);

for (vector<int>::iterator it = v.begin(); it != v.end(); ++it) {
    cout << *it << endl;
}</pre>
```

More about vectors...

```
vector<int> v2 {2, 4, 6, 8, 10};
v2.insert(v2.begin(), 6); // 6, 2, 4, 6, 8, 10
v2.insert(v2.begin() + 3, -4); // 6, 2, 4, -4, 6, 8, 10
v2.erase(v2.begin() + 1); //6, 4, -4, 6, 8, 10
int a [] = { 3, 6, 9, 12, 15 };
vector<int> v3 {a, a + 5 }; // copies in the range [first, last)
```

(Re-)familiarize yourself with the vector

- empty()
- size()
- capacity()
- clear()
- insert()
- push_back() and pop_back()
- front() and back()

STL CONTAINERS

I'm so tired of vectors

- We've talked about vectors enough
- Let's visit some different containers in the STL
- Java has the Java Collections Framework
- C++ has the **Standard Template Library**
- Java has collections
- C++ has containers

Container classes

First-class containers

- Vector
- List
- Deque
- Map and Multimap
- **Set** and Multiset
- Container adaptors (modify and restrict first class container)
 - Stack (default implementation is the *deque*)
 - Queue (default implementation is also the *deque*)
 - Priority_queue (default implementation is the *vector*)

STL CONTAINERS: Pair, map

Side-note: pair

- <utility>
- Object that can hold two values of different types
- Has member functions (accessors) called first and second
- See pair.cpp for a sample

• There is a built-in C++ function to simplify the creation of a pair: **make_pair**.

http://www.cplusplus.com/reference/utility/pair/

map

- <map>
- std::map
- Sorted associative container
- Provides a collection of 1-to-1 mappings, i.e. a collection of key/value pair objects
- value_type is a pair type that combines key and value
- Keys must be unique
- Keys are sorted using a comparison function (like the Java Comparator)
- Logarithmic speed for search, insertion, and removal (fast!)

map

- The value type of a map is a Pair
- How do we add something to a map?
- Suppose we have a phonebook that maps strings to strings:

```
phonebook.insert(map<string, string>::value_type("Sam", "6045551212"));
```

• This fails if an element with the same key is already in the map:

```
phonebook.insert(make_pair("Sam", "2505551212"));
```

Map.cpp

STL CONTAINERS: Set

Set

- <set>
- std::set
- Associative container. Contains a sorted set of **unique** objects of type Key
- The value of an element also identifies it
- Elements cannot be edited after being added (are const)
- Sorting performed using key comparison function
- Logarithmic speed for search, insertion, and remove (fast!)
- Typically implemented as a binary search tree

Comparing (and sorting) set elements

- The C++ compare concept:
 - Type T satisfies Compare if it:
 - 1. Satisfies **BinaryPredicate** (evaluates to true/false)
 - 2. Induces a strict weak ordering
- Suppose we have a struct called myPair that stores 2 ints, x and y
- We need to write a < operator to use it in a set

```
bool operator<(const myPair& lhs, const myPair& rhs) {
    return lhs.x + lhs.y < rhs.x + rhs.y;
} // Sorts myPairs by sum of components</pre>
```

^{*} https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Weak_ordering#Strict_weak_orderings

STRICT WEAK ORDERING

Note: Strict weak ordering

- Almost all C++ STL functions/containers require the ordering to satisfy the standard mathematical definition of a strict weak ordering.
- It satisfies strict weak ordering if your logic follows all three rules
- Let lessThan(left, right) be a comparison function. The compare function is in strict weak ordering iff:

1. IRREFLEXIVITY: lessThan(x, x) == false

- If x is passed into both parameters, the expected output is false
- x can not be less than itself

Note: Strict weak ordering

- 2. <u>ANTISYMMETRY</u>: if lessThan(x, y) then !lessThan(y, x)
 - If x is less than y, then y can not be less than x

- 3. TRANSITIVITY: if lessThan(x, y) and lessThan(y, z) then lessThan(x, z)
 - If x is less than y, and y is less than z, then x is less than z

Defining strict weak ordering

- We can do this in three ways:
- 1. Define **operator**<(const Obj& lhs, const Obj& rhs) inside the class
- 2. Define a **custom comparison function** that is a binary predicate (takes two elements and returns a boolean)
- 3. Implement **operator()** as a comparison function in a separate struct
 - Functor object that behaves like a function

STL CONTAINERS & TYPEDEFS

Review: typedef

The **typedef** keyword creates an **alias** that can be used anywhere instead of a (possibly) complex type name

```
typedef int int_t; // declares int_t to be an alias for the type int
int_t myT; //initializes an int

typedef int arr_t[3]; // arr_t is array of 3 int
arr_t myArr; //initializes an int array of size 3

myArr[0] = 999;
myArr[1] = 1;
myArr[2] = 5;
```

Review: typedef

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Fast Food
- LCDMenu

Fancy Restaurant
- PaperMenu

Food Truck
- BoardMenu

What's a menu?

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Me:

Can I get a menu?

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OK!

What's an **LCDmenu**?

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Me:

Can I get an **LCDMenu**?

Fast Food

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typedef
 LCDMenu menu

Fancy Restaurant

- PaperMenu

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typedefBoardMenu menu

//All restaurants implement a typedef so that "menu" is a common name/alias for their internal implementation of menu

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Vector*

- RandomAccessIterator
- typedefRandomAccessIterator<u>iterator</u>

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typedefs.cpp

Containers and typedefs

- STL containers have standard typedefs
 - size_type
 - value_type
 - iterator
 - pointer
 - reference and const_reference
 - difference_type, etc.
- This makes it possible to write generic functions that work on containers
- If we create a container, we should implement these standard typedefs

Why? Consistency!

- Using the typedef mechanism means we can give the Same name to the same conceptual entity across different container classes
- For example, consider the iterator:
 - vector<int>::iterator gives us a random access iterator for a vector of integers
 - list<string>::iterator gives us a bidirectional iterator for a list of strings

size_type

- Unsigned integer type
- Sufficiently large to hold the size of any object of that class
- Appears in all first-class containers and in the container adaptors.

Loop iteration with int using vector

```
void print(const vector<int>& vec)
    for (int i = 0; i < vec.size(); ++i) {
        cout << vec[i] << ';
    cout << endl;</pre>
```

Loop iteration with size_type using vector

```
void print(const vector<int>& vec)
    for (vector<int>::size_type i = 0; i < vec.size(); ++i) {</pre>
        cout << vec[i] << ';
    cout << endl;</pre>
```

iterator

• An iterator of the default type for a (first-class) container type

```
vector<int> myVec = {1,2,3};
vector<int>::iterator vecIter = myVec.begin();
```

const_iterator

- A const iterator of the default type for a (first-class) container type
 - Prevents modification to elements during iteration

reverse_iterator

- A reverse iterator of the default type for a (first-class) container type
 - Iterates backwards starting from last element with rbegin()
 - Incrementing moves the iterator towards beginning of the container

```
vector<int>::reverse_iterator = myVec.rbegin();
```

const_reverse_iterator

- A const iterator of the default type for a (first-class) container type
 - Prevents modification to elements during iteration

Agenda

- 1. STL Iterators
- 2. Algorithms

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STL ITERATORS

What about iterators?

- We've looked at first-class containers and container adaptors
- We've looked at the STL standard typedefs
- We still have to look at iterators

Reminder: what's an iterator?

- An object
- Points to some element in a range of elements
- Can iterate (loop) through the range of elements
- Has operators like increment (++) and dereference (*)
- Why important?
 - Iterate through containers generically
 - Extensively used when calling STL algorithms some_algorithm(iterBegin, iterEnd, func)

```
vector <int> intVec = {9};
vector <int>::iterator itBegin = intVec.begin();
vector <int>::iterator itEnd = intVec.end();
for(itBegin; itBegin != itEnd; itBegin++)
    cout << *itBegin << endl;</pre>
                   itBegin
                                   itEnd
                                         That doesn't look right...
```

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vector <int>::iterator itEnd = intVec.end();
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    cout << *itBegin << endl;</pre>
                          itBegin itEnd
```

end() returns iterator pointing to theoretical one element past last element in range of values

itEnd does not point to element. Don't dereference end

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vector <int>::iterator itBegin = intVec.begin();
vector <int>::iterator itEnd = intVec.end();
for(itBegin; itBegin != itEnd; itBegin++)
   cout << *itBegin << endl;</pre>
                                            1st pass:
                        itBegin
                                 itEnd
                                            itBegin != itEnd
                                            Do loop code
                                            Output: 9
```

```
vector <int> intVec = {9};
vector <int>::iterator itBegin = intVec.begin();
vector <int>::iterator itEnd = intVec.end();
for(itBegin; itBegin != itEnd; itBegin++)
   cout << *itBegin << endl;</pre>
                                              2<sup>nd</sup> pass:
                         itBegin itEnd
                                              itBegin == itEnd
                                              Leave loop
                                              Output: 9
```

```
vector <int> intVec = {9, 10, 11};
vector <int>::iterator itBegin = intVec.begin();
vector <int>::iterator itEnd = intVec.end();
for(itBegin; itBegin != itEnd; itBegin++)
   cout << *itBegin << endl;</pre>
                                              itEnd
                         itBegin
                           {9, 10, 11}
```

Example of more than 1 element in vector

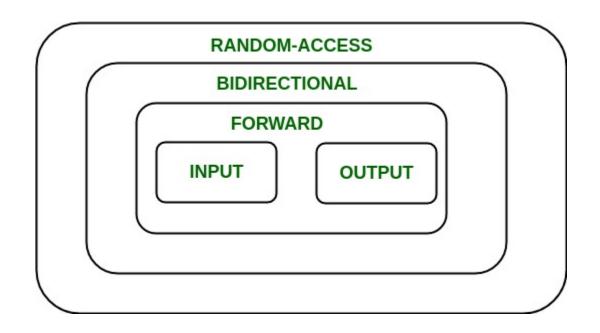
```
vector <int> intVec = {};
vector <int>::iterator itBegin = intVec.begin();
vector <int>::iterator itEnd = intVec.end();
for(itBegin; itBegin != itEnd; itBegin++)
    cout << *itBegin << endl;</pre>
                           itBegin itEnd
```

If empty:
itBegin == itEnd

Reminder: what's an iterator?

There are 5 kinds of iterators in C++

- Input Iterators
- Output Iterators
- Forward Iterators
- Bidirectional Iterators
- Random Access Iterators



https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/introduction-iterators-c/

Characteristics of iterators

- Each kind of iterator is defined by the operations that can be performed on it
 - 1. Read
 - 2. Write
 - 3. Increment (with or without multiple passes)
 - 4. Decrement
 - 5. Random access.

INPUT & OUTPUT ITERATORS

1. Input iterator I

- **Single pass** forward direction sequential input operations: ==,!=, ++, *it
- Only reading
- Incrementing

• **Note**: there is not a single type of input iterator. Each container defines its own specific iterator type that can loop through and access all the elements.

1. Input iterator II -i and j are iterators

| Supported Expression | Returns | Equivalent Expression |
|-------------------------|------------|---|
| i != j | bool | !(i == j) |
| *i | value_type | |
| i->m | m | (*i).m |
| ++i, | It | ++i; return It temp = i ; |
| i ++ | It | It temp = i; ++i; return temp; |
| *i++ | value_type | value_type x = *i; ++i; return x; |

2. Output iterator I

- **Single pass** forward direction sequential output operations: *it, ++, *it = value
- Only writing
- Incrementing
- **Note**: there is not a single type of output iterator, either. Each container defines its own specific iterator type that can loop through and access all the elements.

2. Output iterator II — i is an iterator

| Supported Expression | Returns | Equivalent Expression |
|-------------------------|---------|--------------------------------------|
| *i = some value | | |
| ++ <u>i</u> | It | ++i; return It temp = $i;$ |
| <u>i</u> ++ | It | It temp = i; ++i; return temp; |
| *i++ = some value | | *i = some value; ++i; |

FORWARD, BIDIRECTIONAL, & RANDOM ITERATORS

3. Forward iterator

- **Multi-pass** forward direction sequential output operations: ==, !=, ++, *it, *it = value
- Reading AND Writing, Incrementing
- We can make a copy of the iterator and dereference the same iterant:

```
iterSaved = iter; //copies iter to iterSaved
iter++;
cout << "Previous element is " << (*iterSaved) << endl;
cout << "Current element is " << (*iter) << endl;</pre>
```

4. Bidirectional iterator I

- **Multi-pass** bidirectional direction sequential output operations: ==,!=, ++, --, *it, *it = value
- Reading AND Writing
- Incrementing, **Decrementing**
- **Note**: there is not a single type of bidirectional iterator, either. Each container defines its own specific iterator type that can loop through and access all the elements.

iterator.cpp

4. Bidirectional iterator II - i is an iterator

 Can be used like an input iterator, output iterator, forward iterator, and supports the following additional expressions:

| Supported Expression | Returns | Equivalent Expression |
|-------------------------|------------|------------------------------------|
| i | It | |
| i | It | It temp = i; i; return temp; |
| *i | value_type | |

5. Random access iterator l

- **Multi-pass** random access output operations: ==,!=,++, --,*it,*it = value, it + n or it n where n is an int, <, <=, ...
- Reading AND Writing
- Incrementing and Decrementing
- Random access(HOORAY!)
- **Note**: there is not a single type of random access iterator, either. Each container defines its own specific iterator type that can loop through and access all the elements.

5. Random access iterator II

• Can be used like bidirectional iterator, and supports the following additional expressions:

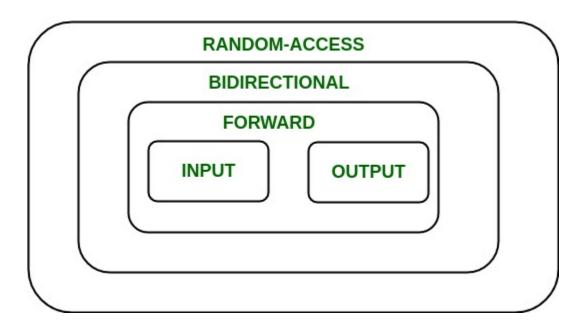
| Supported Expression | Returns | Equivalent Expression |
|--------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------------|
| i += n, i -= n where i = It& | It | |
| i + n, i – n | It | It temp = i; return temp += n; |
| i - j | difference_type | return difference |
| i[n] | value_type | *(i + n) |
| i < j, i <= j, i > j, i >= j | bool | |

i is an iterator, j is another iterator, n is a number

RandomAccessIterator.cpp

Some notes

- Only random-access iterators permit an integer value to be added to or subtracted from an iterator (iter1 - 5)
- Only random access iterators permit one iterator to be subtracted from another (results in a difference_type) (iter1 – iter2)



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ALGORITHMS

The algorithm

- I cannot possibly do justice to what you will learn in your algorithms course
- So...
- We will explore some of the common algorithms in C++
- We will identify some patterns (parameters, what they do, etc.)

The STL algorithm

- Used on an array or an STL container
- A function that can be used on a range of elements
- Always in the range [first, last)
- Does not change the size of the container
- Used with iterators or pointers

Use www.cplusplus.com/reference/algorithm

Types of algorithms I of II

- 1. Sequential, non-modifying (find(), for_each())
- 2. Sequential, modifying (copy(), remove_if())
- 3. Partitioning (partition(), is_partitioned())
- 4. Sorting (sort(), is_sorted())

Types of algorithms II of II

- 5. Binary Search (binary_search())
- 6. Merge (merge(), inplace_merge())
- 7. Heap (make_heap(), push_heap())
- 8. Min/Max (min(), max())
- 9. Generalized numeric operations

Where are they?

- 1. <algorithm> (most of them)
- 2. <numeric> (a few generalized numeric operations)

PARTITION ALGORITHM

Let's explore an algorithm

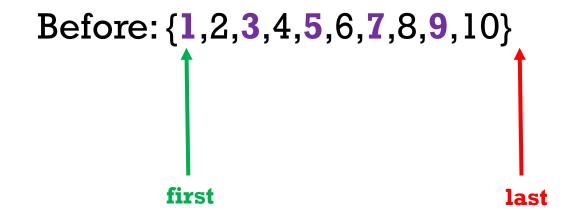
- Let's check out **std::partition** in <algorithm>
- My top two sources of information are always:
 - http://www.cplusplus.com/reference/algorithm/partition/
 - http://en.cppreference.com/w/cpp/algorithm/partition
- Reorders the elements in [first, last). The elements for which a predicate p is true all precede elements for which the predicate p returns false
- Translation:
 - Sorts the elements using a function
 - The function evaluates each element and returns true or false
 - All the elements that are "true" come before elements that are "false"

Partitions

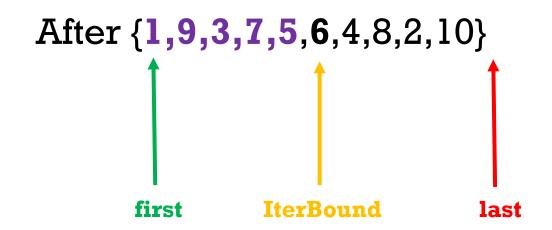
- Relative ordering of the elements is not maintained
- There are three parameters
 - 1. An iterator or pointer to the **first element** in the range
 - 2. An iterator or pointer to one past the final element in the range
 - 3. A pointer to a **function** that accepts a single parameter of the type being iterated over and returns a boolean
- Returns an iterator pointing to the first element in the second group (the "false" group), or the end of the container if there are no members of this group

- Vector with 10 numbers
- Create a function IsOdd to return true/false if number is odd
- Want to partition the vector so odd numbers appear first
- What should happen after calling std::partition(vector.begin(), vector.end(), IsOdd)
 - Vector re-ordered and iterator returned (iterBound), pointing to first even number.

Partition odd numbers example



Odd numbers appear before even numbers. **IterBound** points to first **EVEN** number



"Possible" implementation *

```
template<class ForwardIt, class UnaryPredicate>
ForwardIt partition(ForwardIt first, ForwardIt last, UnaryPredicate p)
      first = std::find_if_not(first, last, p); //find first false
      if (first == last) return first;
      for (ForwardIt i = std::next(first); i != last; ++i)
            if (p(*i)) {
                  std::iter swap(i, first);
                  ++first;
     return first;
                 * http://en.cppreference.com/w/cpp/algorithm/partition
```

GOAL

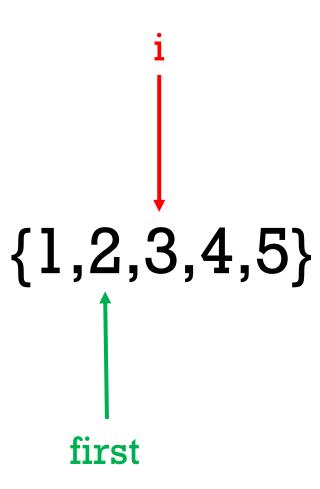
$$\{1,2,3,4,5\}$$

- Sort all odd numbers to the front of the list
- Even numbers in the back
- Provide
 - Iterator to beginning of list (first)
 - Iterator to end (last)
 - Function to determine if number is odd (IsOdd())

- Move iterator to first even number
- p is our function IsOdd()

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- Move iterator i to number next to first
- Iterator i will seek ahead for odd numbers

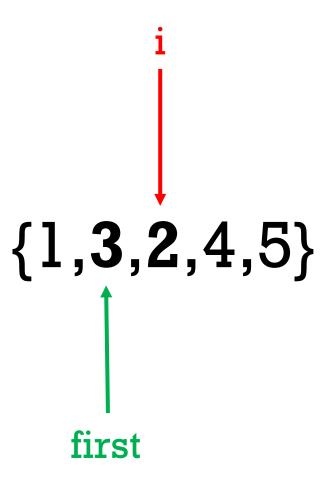


- Check if number i points at is an odd number
- p is our function IsOdd()

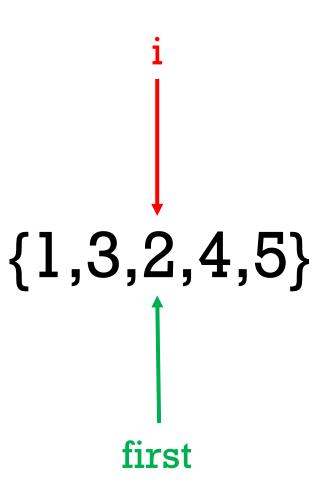
```
{1,2,3,4,5}
  first
```

```
p(*i) //isOdd(3)? TRUE
```

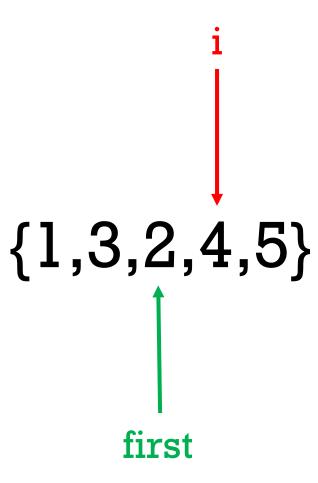
 Swap the number iterators i and first are pointing at since we've found an odd number

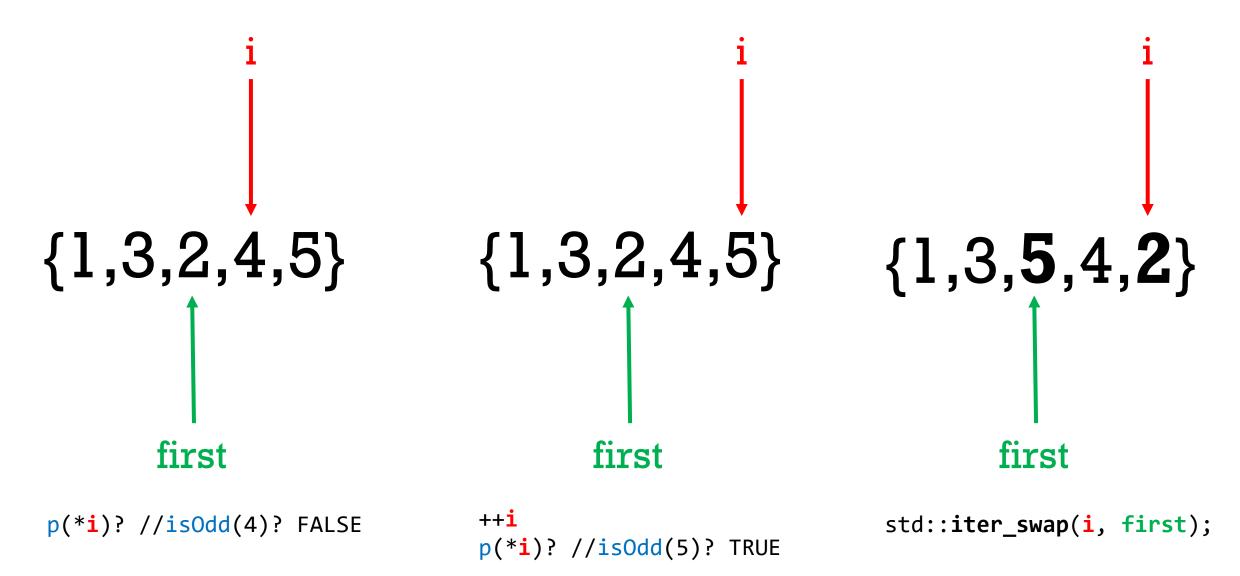


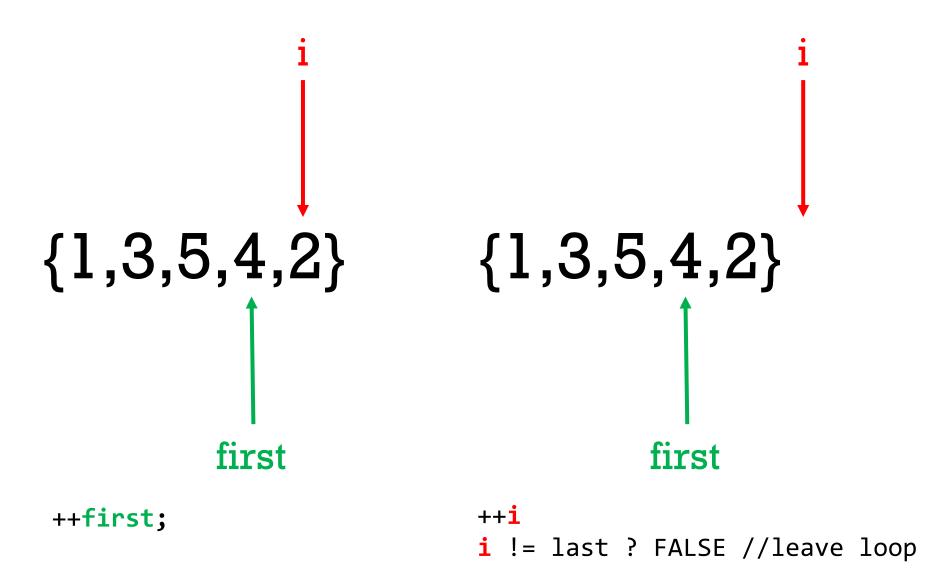
 After the swap, increment first to point to the next number



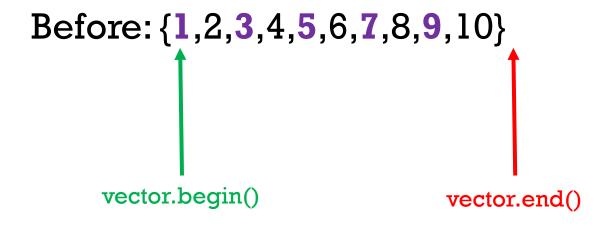
 Increment i to continue searching for the next odd number

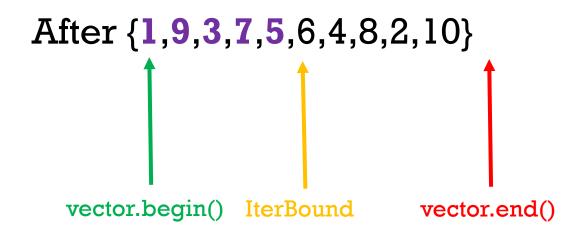






- Vector with 10 numbers
- Create a function IsOdd to return true/false if number is odd
- Want to partition the vector so odd numbers appear first
- What should happen after calling std::partition(vector.begin(), vector.end(), IsOdd)
 - Vector re-ordered and iterator returned (iterBound), pointing to first even number.





partitionOdd.cpp

ACTIVITY

- 1. Examine partition.cpp
- 2. This program generates cities in 2D space and partitions them based on distance
- 3. Examine how it uses different algorithms to achieve its output
 - partition algorithm
 - for_each algorithm

ACTIVITY

- 1. I made a simple Date class
- 2. Examine Date.hpp, Date.cpp, DateTester.cpp
- 3. Implement operator< in Date so that it has a strict weak ordering.
- 4. What is happening in the main method? Comment the code.

ACTIVITY

- 1. Select TWO data structures from the STL
- 2. Open the webpage http://www.cplusplus.com/reference/algorithm/
- 3. Select TWO algorithms
- 4. Write TWO little programs. Each program should use ONE data structure to demonstrate how ONE of the algorithms works.