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Module CppTmpl C++ Review: Templates, STL, & Containers

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Templates

- Templates are functions, structs, classes, etc. with generic types
- The template sum below will work for any type that is defined for the operator +

```
template <class T>
T sum (T a, T b) {
    return (a+b);
}
...
int i = sum<int>(1,2);
double f = sum<double>(3.14,2.71);
string s = sum<string>("Hello ", "World!");
```

- See <http://www.cplusplus.com/doc/tutorial/templates/>

STL Containers

- STL - Standard Template Library
 - » Standard in any C++ compiler
- STL Containers
 - » A set of objects that collect other objects
 - » Most common:
 - vector
 - map
- See
<http://www.cplusplus.com/reference/stl/>

Vector

- `push_back()` to add elements to list, `pop_back()` to remove
- Use `[]` to access elements
- Use iterator to traverse all elements
 - » acts as a pointer to current element, but also has `begin()` and `end()` methods

```
#include <vector>
#include <string>
#include <iostream>

vector<string> days;
days.push_back( "Monday" );
days.push_back( "Tuesday" );

cout << days[1] << endl;
vector<string>::iterator it;
for (it= days.begin(); it < days.end(); it++)
    cout << *it << endl;
```

Map

- Map uses first element to index the second element

```
#include <map>
#include <string>
#include <iostream>

map<string,int> months;
months["March"]=3;
months["June"]=6;
```

- Use "first" field of iterator to get the index
- Use "second" field of iterator to get the value

```
map<string,int>::iterator it;
for (it= months.begin(); it != months.end(); it++)
    cout << it->first << ' ' << it->second << endl;
```

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