

# std::set

Defined in header <set>

```
template<
    class Key,
    class Compare = std::less<Key>,
    class Allocator = std::allocator<Key>
> class set;
```

std::set is an associative container that contains a sorted set of unique objects of type Key. Sorting is done using the key comparison function Compare. Search, removal, and insertion operations have logarithmic complexity. Sets are usually implemented as red-black trees .

std::set meets the requirements of Container, AllocatorAwareContainer, AssociativeContainer and ReversibleContainer.

## Member types

Member type	Definition
key_type	Key
value_type	Key
size_type	Unsigned integral type (usually std::size_t)
difference_type	Signed integer type (usually std::ptrdiff_t)
key_compare	Compare
value_compare	Compare
allocator_type	Allocator
reference	Allocator::reference (until C++11) value_type& (since C++11)
const_reference	Allocator::const_reference (until C++11) const value_type& (since C++11)
pointer	Allocator::pointer (until C++11) std::allocator_traits<Allocator>::pointer (since C++11)
const_pointer	Allocator::const_pointer (until C++11) std::allocator_traits<Allocator>::const_pointer (since C++11)
iterator	BidirectionalIterator (until C++11) Constant BidirectionalIterator (since C++11)
const_iterator	Constant bidirectional iterator
reverse_iterator	std::reverse_iterator<iterator>
const_reverse_iterator	std::reverse_iterator<const_iterator>

## Member functions

(constructor)	constructs the set (public member function)
(destructor)	destructs the set (public member function)
operator=	assigns values to the container (public member function)
get_allocator	returns the associated allocator (public member function)

### Iterators

begin cbegin	returns an iterator to the beginning (public member function)
end cend	returns an iterator to the end (public member function)
rbegin crbegin	returns a reverse iterator to the beginning (public member function)

**rend**  
**crend** returns a reverse iterator to the end  
(public member function)

#### Capacity

<b>empty</b>	checks whether the container is empty (public member function)
<b>size</b>	returns the number of elements (public member function)
<b>max_size</b>	returns the maximum possible number of elements (public member function)

#### Modifiers

<b>clear</b>	clears the contents (public member function)
<b>insert</b>	inserts elements (public member function)
<b>emplace</b> (C++11)	constructs element in-place (public member function)
<b>emplace_hint</b> (C++11)	constructs elements in-place using a hint (public member function)
<b>erase</b>	erases elements (public member function)
<b>swap</b>	swaps the contents (public member function)

#### Lookup

<b>count</b>	returns the number of elements matching specific key (public member function)
<b>find</b>	finds element with specific key (public member function)
<b>equal_range</b>	returns range of elements matching a specific key (public member function)
<b>lower_bound</b>	returns an iterator to the first element <i>not less</i> than the given key (public member function)
<b>upper_bound</b>	returns an iterator to the first element <i>greater</i> than the given key (public member function)

#### Observers

<b>key_comp</b>	returns the function that compares keys (public member function)
<b>value_comp</b>	returns the function that compares keys in objects of type value_type (public member function)

### Non-member functions

<b>operator==</b> <b>operator!=</b> <b>operator&lt;</b> <b>operator&lt;=</b> <b>operator&gt;</b> <b>operator&gt;=</b>	lexicographically compares the values in the set (function template)
<b>std::swap</b> (std::set)	specializes the std::swap algorithm (function template)

### Notes

The member types `iterator` and `const_iterator` may be aliases to the same type. Since `iterator` is convertible to `const_iterator`, `const_iterator` should be used in function parameter lists to avoid violations of the One Definition Rule.

Retrieved from "http://en.cppreference.com/mwiki/index.php?title=cpp/container/set&oldid=57301"

# std::set::set

<code>explicit set( const Compare&amp; comp = Compare(),               const Allocator&amp; alloc = Allocator() );</code>	(until C++14)
<code>set() : set( Compare() ) {}</code>	(1)
<code>explicit set( const Compare&amp; comp,               const Allocator&amp; alloc = Allocator() );</code>	(since C++14)
<code>explicit set( const Allocator&amp; alloc );</code>	(1) (since C++11)
<code>template&lt; class InputIt &gt; set( InputIt first, InputIt last,      const Compare&amp; comp = Compare(),      const Allocator&amp; alloc = Allocator() );</code>	(2)
<code>template&lt; class InputIt &gt; set( InputIt first, InputIt last, const Allocator&amp; alloc)   : set( first, last, Compare(), alloc ) {}</code>	(since C++14)
<code>set( const set&amp; other );</code>	(3)
<code>set( const set&amp; other, const Allocator&amp; alloc );</code>	(3) (since C++11)
<code>set( set&amp;&amp; other );</code>	(4) (since C++11)
<code>set( set&amp;&amp; other, const Allocator&amp; alloc );</code>	(4) (since C++11)
<code>set( std::initializer_list&lt;value_type&gt; init,      const Compare&amp; comp = Compare(),      const Allocator&amp; alloc = Allocator() );</code>	(5) (since C++11)
<code>set( std::initializer_list&lt;value_type&gt; init, const Allocator&amp; alloc )   : set( init, Compare(), alloc ) {}</code>	(since C++14)

Constructs new container from a variety of data sources and optionally using user supplied allocator `alloc` or comparison function object `comp`.

- 1) Default constructor. Constructs empty container.
- 2) Range constructor. Constructs the container with the contents of the range `[first, last)`.
- 3) Copy constructor. Constructs the container with the copy of the contents of `other`. If `alloc` is not provided, allocator is obtained by calling  
`std::allocator_traits<allocator_type>::select_on_container_copy_construction(other.get_allocator())`
- 4) Move constructor. Constructs the container with the contents of `other` using move semantics. If `alloc` is not provided, allocator is obtained by move-construction from the allocator belonging to `other`.
- 5) Initializer-list constructor. Constructs the container with the contents of the initializer list `init`.

## Parameters

- alloc** - allocator to use for all memory allocations of this container
- comp** - comparison function object to use for all comparisons of keys
- first, last** - the range to copy the elements from
- other** - another container to be used as source to initialize the elements of the container with
- init** - initializer list to initialize the elements of the container with

## Type requirements

- `InputIt` must meet the requirements of `InputIterator`.
- `Compare` must meet the requirements of `Compare`.
- `Allocator` must meet the requirements of `Allocator`.

## Complexity

- 1) Constant
- 2)  $N \log(N)$  where `N = std::distance(first, last)` in general, linear in `N` if the range is already sorted by `value_comp()`.

- 3) Linear in size of other
- 4) Constant. If alloc is given and `alloc != other.get_allocator()`, then linear.
- 5)  $N \log(N)$  where `N = init.size()` in general, linear in N if init is already sorted by `value_comp()`.

## Example

Run this code

```
#include <iostream>
#include <string>
#include <set>

// Helper function for printing pairs.
template<class Ch, class Tr, class A, class B> inline
std::basic_ostream<Ch, Tr>& operator<<(std::basic_ostream<Ch, Tr>& stream, std::pair<A,B> p)
{
    return stream << '(' << p.first << ", " << p.second << ')';
}

// Helper function for printing containers.
template<class Ch, class Tr, class Co>
std::basic_ostream<Ch, Tr>& operator<<(std::basic_ostream<Ch, Tr>& stream, Co& c)
{
    stream << '{' << *c.begin();

    for(auto it = ++(c.begin()); it != c.end(); ++it)
        stream << ", " << *it;

    stream << '}' << std::endl;
    return stream;
}

int main()
{
    // (1) Default constructor
    std::set<std::string> a;
    a.insert("something");
    a.insert("anything");
    a.insert("that thing");
    std::cout << "a = " << a;

    // (2) Iterator constructor
    std::set<std::string> b(a.find("anything"), a.end());
    std::cout << std::string(80, '-') << std::endl;
    std::cout << "b = " << b;

    // (3) Copy constructor
    std::set<std::string> c(a);
    c.insert("another thing");
    std::cout << std::string(80, '-') << std::endl;
    std::cout << "a = " << a;
    std::cout << "c = " << c;

    // (4) Move constructor
    std::set<std::string> d(std::move(a));
    std::cout << std::string(80, '-') << std::endl;
    std::cout << "a = nullptr" << std::endl;
    std::cout << "d = " << d;

    // (5) Initializer list constructor
    std::set<std::string> e{
        "one", "two", "three", "five", "eight"
    };
    std::cout << std::string(80, '-') << std::endl;
    std::cout << "e = " << e;
}
```

Output:

```
a = {anything, something, that thing}
-----
b = {anything, something, that thing}
-----
a = {anything, something, that thing}
c = {another thing, anything, something, that thing}
-----
a = nullptr
d = {anything, something, that thing}
-----
e = {eight, five, one, three, two}
```

## See also

---

**operator=** assigns values to the container  
([public member function](#))

---

Retrieved from "<http://en.cppreference.com/mwiki/index.php?title=c++/container/set/set&oldid=71728>"

## std::set::~~set

---

```
~set();
```

---

Destructs the container. The destructors of the elements are called and the used storage is deallocated. Note, that if the elements are pointers, the pointed-to objects are not destroyed.

### Complexity

Linear in the size of the container.

---

Retrieved from "<http://en.cppreference.com/mwiki/index.php?title=c++/container/set/%7Eset&oldid=50667>"

## std::set::operator=

<code>set&amp; operator=( const set&amp; other );</code>	(1)
<code>set&amp; operator=( set&amp;&amp; other );</code>	(2) (since C++11)
<code>set&amp; operator=( std::initializer_list&lt;value_type&gt; ilist );</code>	(3) (since C++11)

Replaces the contents of the container.

- 1) Copy assignment operator. Replaces the contents with a copy of the contents of `other`. If `std::allocator_traits<allocator_type>::propagate_on_container_copy_assignment()` is `true`, the target allocator is replaced by a copy of the source allocator. If the target and the source allocators do not compare equal, the target ( `*this` ) allocator is used to deallocate the memory, then `other`'s allocator is used to allocate it before copying the elements. (since C++11)
- 2) Move assignment operator. Replaces the contents with those of `other` using move semantics (i.e. the data in `other` is moved from `other` into this container). `other` is in a valid but unspecified state afterwards. If `std::allocator_traits<allocator_type>::propagate_on_container_move_assignment()` is `true`, the target allocator is replaced by a copy of the source allocator. If it is `false` and the source and the target allocators do not compare equal, the target cannot take ownership of the source memory and must move-assign each element individually, allocating additional memory using its own allocator as needed.
- 3) Replaces the contents with those identified by initializer list `ilist`.

### Parameters

**other** - another container to use as data source  
**ilist** - initializer list to use as data source

### Return value

`*this`

### Complexity

- 1) Linear in the size of the `other`.
- 2) Constant unless `std::allocator_traits<allocator_type>::propagate_on_container_move_assignment()` is false and the allocators do not compare equal (in which case linear).
- 3) Linear in the size of `ilist`.

### Exceptions

- 2) `noexcept` specification: (since C++17)  
`noexcept(std::allocator_traits<Allocator>::is_always_equal::value && std::is_nothrow_move_assignable<Compare>::value)`

### Example

The following code uses to assign one `std::set` to another:

Run this code

```
#include <set>
#include <iostream>

void display_sizes(const std::set<int> &nums1,
                  const std::set<int> &nums2,
```

```
        const std::set<int> &nums3)
{
    std::cout << "nums1: " << nums1.size()
               << " nums2: " << nums2.size()
               << " nums3: " << nums3.size() << '\n';
}

int main()
{
    std::set<int> nums1 {3, 1, 4, 6, 5, 9};
    std::set<int> nums2;
    std::set<int> nums3;

    std::cout << "Initially:\n";
    display_sizes(nums1, nums2, nums3);

    // copy assignment copies data from nums1 to nums2
    nums2 = nums1;

    std::cout << "After assignment:\n";
    display_sizes(nums1, nums2, nums3);

    // move assignment moves data from nums1 to nums3,
    // modifying both nums1 and nums3
    nums3 = std::move(nums1);

    std::cout << "After move assignment:\n";
    display_sizes(nums1, nums2, nums3);
}
```

Output:

```
Initially:
nums1: 6 nums2: 0 nums3: 0
After assignment:
nums1: 6 nums2: 6 nums3: 0
After move assignment:
nums1: 0 nums2: 6 nums3: 6
```

## See also

(constructor) [constructs the set](#)  
(public member function)

Retrieved from "http://en.cppreference.com/mwiki/index.php?title=c++/container/set/operator%3D&oldid=41686"



## std::set::get\_allocator

---

```
allocator_type get_allocator() const;
```

---

Returns the allocator associated with the container.

### Parameters

(none)

### Return value

The associated allocator.

### Complexity

Constant.

---

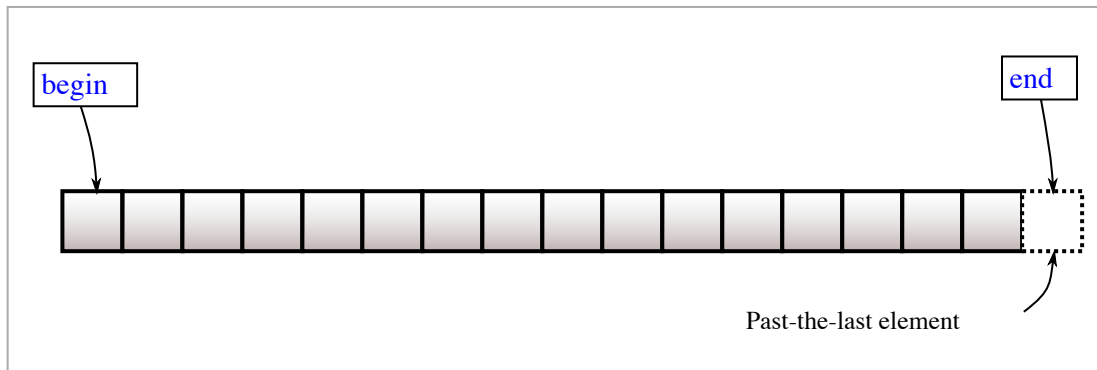
Retrieved from "[http://en.cppreference.com/mwiki/index.php?title=c++/container/set/get\\_allocator&oldid=50654](http://en.cppreference.com/mwiki/index.php?title=c++/container/set/get_allocator&oldid=50654)"

# std::set::begin, std::set::cbegin

```
iterator begin();
const_iterator begin() const;
const_iterator cbegin() const;    (since C++11)
```

Returns an iterator to the first element of the container.

If the container is empty, the returned iterator will be equal to `end()`.



## Parameters

(none)

## Return value

Iterator to the first element

## Exceptions

(none)	(until C++11)
noexcept specification:	<code>noexcept</code> (since C++11)

## Complexity

Constant

## Example

This section is incomplete  
Reason: no example

## See also

**end** returns an iterator to the end  
**cend** (public member function)

Retrieved from "http://en.cppreference.com/mwiki/index.php?title=c++/container/set/begin&oldid=50644"

## std::set::end, std::set::cend

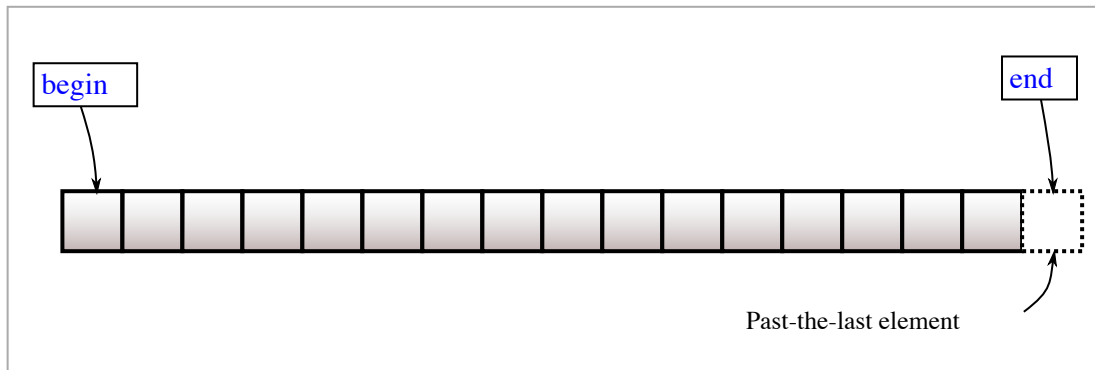
---

```
iterator end();
const_iterator end() const;
const_iterator cend() const;    (since C++11)
```

---

Returns an iterator to the element following the last element of the container.

This element acts as a placeholder; attempting to access it results in undefined behavior.



### Parameters

(none)

### Return value

Iterator to the element following the last element.

### Exceptions

(none)	(until C++11)
noexcept specification:	<code>noexcept</code> (since C++11)

### Complexity

Constant.

### See also

---

**begin** returns an iterator to the beginning  
**cbegin** (public member function)

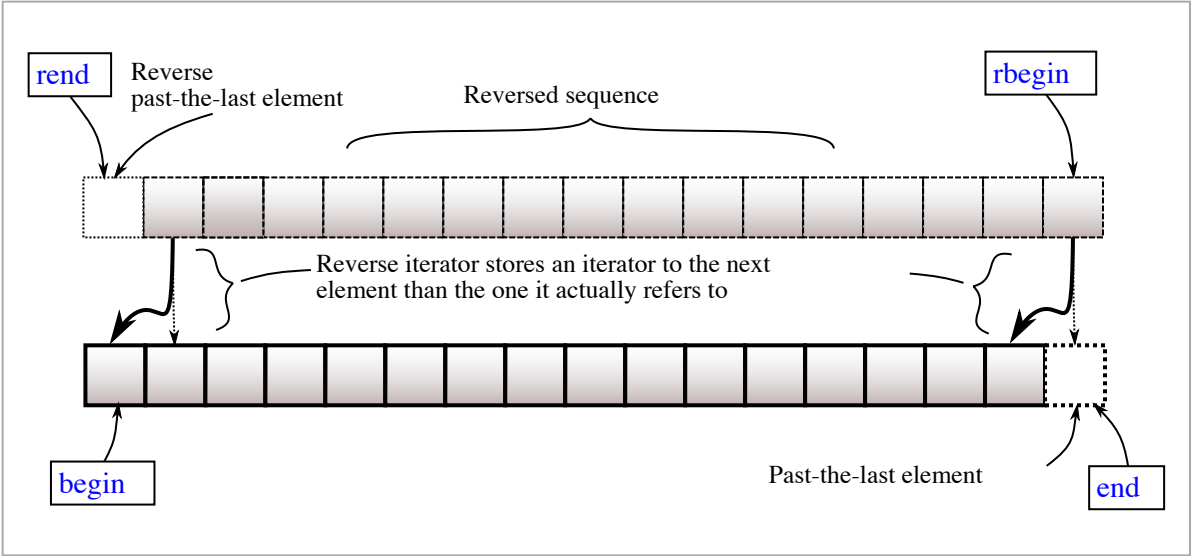
---

Retrieved from "http://en.cppreference.com/mwiki/index.php?title=c++/container/set/end&oldid=50650"

# std::set::rbegin, std::set::crbegin

```
reverse_iterator rbegin();  
const_reverse_iterator rbegin() const;  
const_reverse_iterator crbegin() const; (since C++11)
```

Returns a reverse iterator to the first element of the reversed container. It corresponds to the last element of the non-reversed container.



## Parameters

(none)

## Return value

Reverse iterator to the first element.

## Exceptions

(none)	(until C++11)
noexcept specification:	<code>noexcept</code> (since C++11)

## Complexity

Constant.

## See also

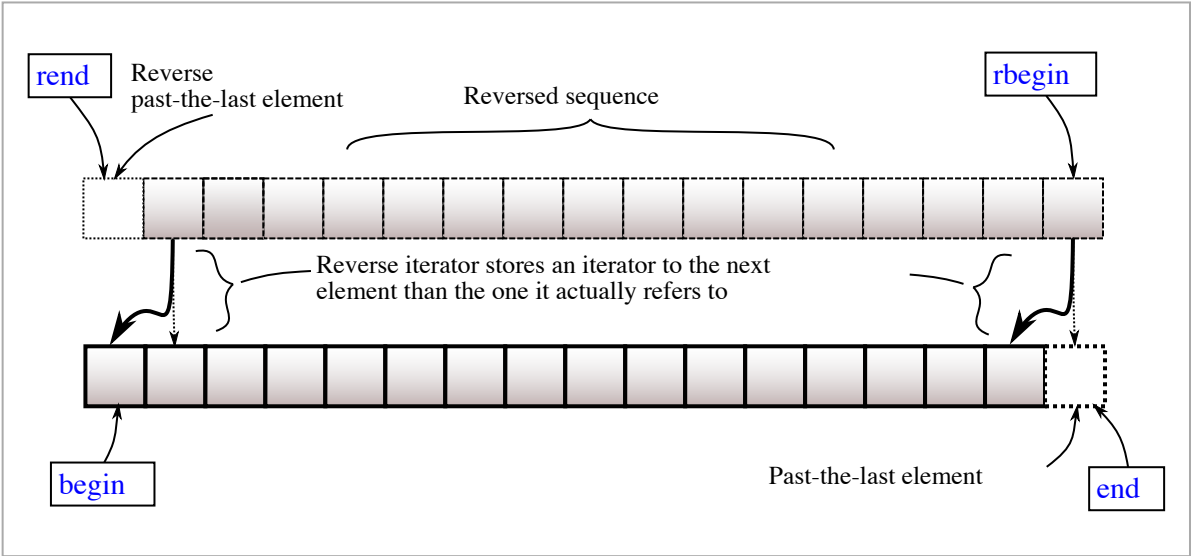
<code>rend</code>	returns a reverse iterator to the end
<code>crend</code>	(public member function)

Retrieved from "http://en.cppreference.com/mwiki/index.php?title=c++/container/set/rbegin&oldid=50659"

# std::set::rend, std::set::crend

```
reverse_iterator rend();  
const_reverse_iterator rend() const;  
const_reverse_iterator crend() const;    (since C++11)
```

Returns a reverse iterator to the element following the last element of the reversed container. It corresponds to the element preceding the first element of the non-reversed container. This element acts as a placeholder, attempting to access it results in undefined behavior.



## Parameters

(none)

## Return value

Reverse iterator to the element following the last element.

## Exceptions

(none)	(until C++11)
noexcept specification:	<code>noexcept</code> (since C++11)

## Complexity

Constant.

## See also

<code>rbegin</code>	returns a reverse iterator to the beginning
<code>crbegin</code>	(public member function)

Retrieved from "http://en.cppreference.com/mwiki/index.php?title=c++/container/set/rend&oldid=50660"

# std::set::empty

```
bool empty() const;
```

Checks if the container has no elements, i.e. whether `begin() == end()`.

## Parameters

(none)

## Return value

`true` if the container is empty, `false` otherwise

## Exceptions

(none)	(until C++11)
noexcept specification:	<code>noexcept</code> (since C++11)

## Complexity

Constant.

## Example

The following code uses `empty` to check if a `std::set<int>` contains any elements:

Run this code

```
#include <set>
#include <iostream>

int main()
{
    std::set<int> numbers;
    std::cout << "Initially, numbers.empty(): " << numbers.empty() << '\n';

    numbers.insert(42);
    numbers.insert(13317);
    std::cout << "After adding elements, numbers.empty(): " << numbers.empty() << '\n';
}
```

Output:

```
Initially, numbers.empty(): 1
After adding elements, numbers.empty(): 0
```

## See also

**size** returns the number of elements  
(public member function)

Retrieved from "http://en.cppreference.com/mwiki/index.php?title=c++/container/set/empty&oldid=50649"

## std::set::size

```
size_type size() const;
```

Returns the number of elements in the container, i.e. `std::distance(begin(), end())`.

### Parameters

(none)

### Return value

The number of elements in the container.

### Exceptions

(none)	(until C++11)
noexcept specification:	<code>noexcept</code> (since C++11)

### Complexity

Constant.

### Example

The following code uses `size` to display the number of elements in a `std::set<int>`:

Run this code

```
#include <set>
#include <iostream>

int main()
{
    std::set<int> nums {1, 3, 5, 7};

    std::cout << "nums contains " << nums.size() << " elements.\n";
}
```

Output:

```
nums contains 4 elements.
```

### See also

<b>empty</b>	checks whether the container is empty (public member function)
<b>max_size</b>	returns the maximum possible number of elements (public member function)

Retrieved from "http://en.cppreference.com/mwiki/index.php?title=c++/container/set/size&oldid=50662"

# std::set::max\_size

```
size_type max_size() const;
```

Returns the maximum number of elements the container is able to hold due to system or library implementation limitations, i.e. `std::distance(begin(), end())` for the largest container.

## Parameters

(none)

## Return value

Maximum number of elements.

## Exceptions

(none)	(until C++11)
noexcept specification:	<code>noexcept</code> (since C++11)

## Complexity

Constant.

## Notes

This value is typically equal to `std::numeric_limits<size_type>::max()`, and reflects the theoretical limit on the size of the container. At runtime, the size of the container may be limited to a value smaller than `max_size()` by the amount of RAM available.

## Example

Run this code

```
#include <iostream>
#include <set>

int main()
{
    std::set<char> s;
    std::cout << "Maximum size of a 'set' is " << s.max_size() << "\n";
}
```

Possible output:

```
Maximum size of a 'set' is 18446744073709551615
```

## See also

**size** returns the number of elements  
(public member function)

Retrieved from "http://en.cppreference.com/mwiki/index.php?title=c++/container/set/max\_size&oldid=50657"



# std::set::clear

---

```
void clear();
```

---

Removes all elements from the container.

Invalidates any references, pointers, or iterators referring to contained elements. May invalidate any past-the-end iterators.

## Parameters

(none)

## Return value

(none)

## Exceptions

(none)	(until C++11)
noexcept specification:	<u>noexcept</u> (since C++11)

## Complexity

Linear in the size of the container.

## See also

---

<b>erase</b>	erases elements (public member function)
--------------	---------------------------------------------

---

Retrieved from "http://en.cppreference.com/mwiki/index.php?title=c++/container/set/clear&oldid=50645"

# std::set::insert

<code>std::pair&lt;iterator, bool&gt; insert( const value_type&amp; value );</code>	(1)	
<code>std::pair&lt;iterator, bool&gt; insert( value_type&amp;&amp; value );</code>	(2)	(since C++11)
<code>iterator insert( iterator hint, const value_type&amp; value );</code>	(3)	(until C++11)
<code>iterator insert( const_iterator hint, const value_type&amp; value );</code>		(since C++11)
<code>iterator insert( const_iterator hint, value_type&amp;&amp; value );</code>	(4)	(since C++11)
<code>template&lt; class InputIt &gt; void insert( InputIt first, InputIt last );</code>	(5)	
<code>void insert( std::initializer_list&lt;value_type&gt; ilist );</code>	(6)	(since C++11)

Inserts element(s) into the container, if the container doesn't already contain an element with an equivalent key.

- 1-2) inserts value.
- 3-4) inserts value in the position as close as possible, just prior(since C++11), to hint.
- 5) Inserts elements from range [first, last).
- 6) Inserts elements from initializer list ilist.

No iterators or references are invalidated.

## Parameters

<b>hint</b>	-	iterator, used as a suggestion as to where to start the search (until C++11) iterator to the position before which the new element will be inserted (since C++11)
<b>value</b>	-	element value to insert
<b>first, last</b>	-	range of elements to insert
<b>ilist</b>	-	initializer list to insert the values from

## Type requirements

- InputIt must meet the requirements of InputIterator.

## Return value

- 1-2) Returns a pair consisting of an iterator to the inserted element (or to the element that prevented the insertion) and a `bool` denoting whether the insertion took place.
- 3-4) Returns an iterator to the inserted element, or to the element that prevented the insertion.
- 5-6) (none)

## Exceptions

- 1-4) If an exception is thrown by any operation, the insertion has no effect.

This section is incomplete Reason: cases 5-6
-------------------------------------------------

## Complexity

- 1-2) Logarithmic in the size of the container,  $O(\log(\text{size()}))$ .

3-4) Amortized constant if the insertion happens in the position just <i>after</i> the hint, logarithmic in the size of the container otherwise.	(until C++11)
3-4) Amortized constant if the insertion happens in the position just <i>before</i> the hint, logarithmic in the size of the container otherwise.	(since C++11)

- 5-6)  $O(N \cdot \log(\text{size()} + N))$ , where N is the number of elements to insert.

## Notes

The overloads (5-6) are often implemented as a loop that calls the overload (3) with `end()` as the hint; they are optimized for appending a sorted sequence (such as another set) whose smallest element is greater than the last element in `*this`.

## Example

[Run this code](#)

```
#include <set>
#include <cassert>
#include <iostream>

int main()
{
    std::set<int> set;

    auto result_1 = set.insert(3);
    assert(result_1.first != set.end()); // it's a valid iterator
    assert(*result_1.first == 3);
    if (result_1.second)
        std::cout << "insert done\n";

    auto result_2 = set.insert(3);
    assert(result_2.first == result_1.first); // same iterator
    assert(*result_2.first == 3);
    if (!result_2.second)
        std::cout << "no insertion\n";
}
```

Output:

```
insert done
no insertion
```

## See also

<b>emplace</b> (C++11)	constructs element in-place (public member function)
<b>emplace_hint</b> (C++11)	constructs elements in-place using a hint (public member function)

Retrieved from "<http://en.cppreference.com/mwiki/index.php?title=c++/container/set/insert&oldid=73445>"

# std::set::emplace

---

```
template< class... Args >  
std::pair<iterator, bool> emplace( Args&&... args );           (since C++11)
```

---

Inserts a new element into the container by constructing it in-place with the given `args` if there is no element with the key in the container.

Careful use of `emplace` allows the new element to be constructed while avoiding unnecessary copy or move operations. The constructor of the new element is called with exactly the same arguments as supplied to `emplace`, forwarded via `std::forward<Args>(args)...`.

No iterators or references are invalidated.

## Parameters

**args** - arguments to forward to the constructor of the element

## Return value

Returns a pair consisting of an iterator to the inserted element, or the already-existing element if no insertion happened, and a `bool` denoting whether the insertion took place.

## Exceptions

If an exception is thrown by any operation, this function has no effect.

## Complexity

Logarithmic in the size of the container.

## Example

This section is incomplete  
Reason: no example

## See also

---

<b>emplace_hint</b> (C++11)	constructs elements in-place using a hint (public member function)
<b>insert</b>	inserts elements (public member function)

---

Retrieved from "http://en.cppreference.com/mwiki/index.php?title=c++/container/set/emplace&oldid=50647"

# std::set::emplace\_hint

```
template <class... Args>
iterator emplace_hint( const_iterator hint, Args&&... args ); (since C++11)
```

Inserts a new element into the container as close as possible to the position just before `hint`. The element is constructed in-place, i.e. no copy or move operations are performed.

The constructor of the element is called with exactly the same arguments as supplied to the function, forwarded with `std::forward<Args>(args)...`.

No iterators or references are invalidated.

## Parameters

**hint** - iterator to the position before which the new element will be inserted  
**args** - arguments to forward to the constructor of the element

## Return value

Returns an iterator to the newly inserted element.

If the insertion failed because the element already exists, returns an iterator to the already existing element with the equivalent key.

## Complexity

Logarithmic in the size of the container in general, but amortized constant if the new element is inserted just before `hint`.

## Example

Run this code

```
#include <set>
#include <chrono>
#include <iostream>
#include <iomanip>
#include <functional>

const int nof_operations = 100500;

int set_emplace() {
    std::set<int> set;
    for(int i = 0; i < nof_operations; ++i) {
        set.emplace(i);
    }
    return set.size();
}

int set_emplace_hint() {
    std::set<int> set;
    auto it = set.begin();
    for(int i = 0; i < nof_operations; ++i) {
        set.emplace_hint(it, i);
        it = set.end();
    }
    return set.size();
}

int set_emplace_hint_wrong() {
    std::set<int> set;
    auto it = set.begin();
    for(int i = nof_operations; i > 0; --i) {
        set.emplace_hint(it, i);
    }
}
```

```

        it = set.end();
    }
    return set.size();
}

int set_emplace_hint_corrected() {
    std::set<int> set;
    auto it = set.begin();
    for(int i = nof_operations; i > 0; --i) {
        set.emplace_hint(it, i);
        it = set.begin();
    }
    return set.size();
}

int set_emplace_hint_closest() {
    std::set<int> set;
    auto it = set.begin();
    for(int i = 0; i < nof_operations; ++i) {
        it = set.emplace_hint(it, i);
    }
    return set.size();
}

void timeit(std::function<int()> set_test, std::string what = "") {
    auto start = std::chrono::system_clock::now();
    int setsize = set_test();
    auto stop = std::chrono::system_clock::now();
    std::chrono::duration<double, std::milli> time = stop - start;
    if (what.size() > 0 && setsize > 0) {
        std::cout << std::fixed << std::setprecision(2)
            << time.count() << " ms for " << what << '\n';
    }
}

int main() {
    timeit(set_emplace); // stack warmup
    timeit(set_emplace, "plain emplace");
    timeit(set_emplace_hint, "emplace with correct hint");
    timeit(set_emplace_hint_wrong, "emplace with wrong hint");
    timeit(set_emplace_hint_corrected, "corrected emplace");
    timeit(set_emplace_hint_closest, "emplace using returned iterator");
}

```

Possible output:

```

18.96 ms for plain emplace
7.95 ms for emplace with correct hint
19.39 ms for emplace with wrong hint
8.39 ms for corrected emplace
7.90 ms for emplace using returned iterator

```

## See also

<b>emplace</b> (C++11)	constructs element in-place (public member function)
<b>insert</b>	inserts elements (public member function)

Retrieved from "http://en.cppreference.com/mwiki/index.php?title=c++/container/set/emplace\_hint&oldid=77824"

## std::set::erase

<code>void erase( iterator pos );</code>		(until C++11)
<code>iterator erase( iterator pos );</code>	(1)	(since C++17)
<code>iterator erase( const_iterator pos );</code>		(since C++11)
<code>void erase( iterator first, iterator last );</code>		(until C++11)
<code>iterator erase( const_iterator first, const_iterator last );</code>	(2)	(since C++17)
<code>size_type erase( const key_type&amp; key );</code>	(3)	

Removes specified elements from the container.

- 1) Removes the element at `pos`.
- 2) Removes the elements in the range `[ first, last )`, which must be a valid range in `*this`.
- 3) Removes the element (if one exists) with the key equivalent to `key`.

References and iterators to the erased elements are invalidated. Other references and iterators are not affected.

The iterator `pos` must be valid and dereferenceable. Thus the `end()` iterator (which is valid, but is not dereferenceable) cannot be used as a value for `pos`.

### Parameters

- pos** - iterator to the element to remove
- first, last** - range of elements to remove
- key** - key value of the elements to remove

### Return value

- 1-2) Iterator following the last removed element.
- 3) Number of elements removed.

### Exceptions

- 1,2) (none)
- 3) Any exceptions thrown by the Compare object.

### Complexity

Given an instance `c` of `set`:

- 1) Amortized constant
- 2) `log(c.size()) + std::distance(first, last)`
- 3) `log(c.size()) + c.count(k)`

### Example

Run this code

```
#include <set>
#include <iostream>
int main()
{
    std::set<int> c = {1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9};
    // erase all odd numbers from c
    for(auto it = c.begin(); it != c.end(); )
```

```
    if(*it % 2 == 1)
        it = c.erase(it);
    else
        ++it;
    for(int n : c)
        std::cout << n << ' ';
}
```

Output:

```
2 4 6 8
```

## See also

**clear** clears the contents  
(public member function)

---

Retrieved from "http://en.cppreference.com/mwiki/index.php?title=c++/container/set/erase&oldid=50652"



## std::set::swap

```
void swap( set& other );
```

Exchanges the contents of the container with those of `other`. Does not invoke any move, copy, or swap operations on individual elements.

All iterators and references remain valid. The past-the-end iterator is invalidated.

The `Pred` objects must be swappable, and they are exchanged using unqualified call to non-member `swap`.

If `std::allocator_traits<allocator_type>::propagate_on_container_swap::value` is true, then the allocators are exchanged using an unqualified call to non-member `swap`. Otherwise, (since C++11) they are not swapped (and if `get_allocator() != other.get_allocator()`, the behavior is undefined).

### Parameters

**other** - container to exchange the contents with

### Return value

(none)

### Exceptions

Any exception thrown by the swap of the Compare objects.

(until C++17)

`noexcept` specification:

```
noexcept(std::allocator_traits<Allocator>::is_always_equal::value
&& noexcept(std::swap(std::declval<Compare>(), std::declval<Compare>())))
```

(since C++17)

### Complexity

Constant.

### See also

**std::swap**(`std::set`) specializes the `std::swap` algorithm  
(function template)

Retrieved from "http://en.cppreference.com/mwiki/index.php?title=c++/container/set/swap&oldid=50663"

# std::set::count

<code>size_type count( const Key&amp; key ) const;</code>	(1)
<code>template&lt; class K &gt;</code>	
<code>size_type count( const K&amp; x ) const;</code>	(2) (since C++14)

- 1) Returns the number of elements with key `key`, which is either 1 or 0 since this container does not allow duplicates
- 2) Returns the number of elements with key that compares *equivalent* to the value `x`. This overload only participates in overload resolution if the qualified-id `Compare::is_transparent` is valid and denotes a type. They allow calling this function without constructing an instance of `Key`.

## Parameters

- key** - key value of the elements to count
- x** - alternative value to compare to the keys

## Return value

Number of elements with key `key`, that is either 1 or 0

## Complexity

Logarithmic in the size of the container.

## See also

<b>find</b>	finds element with specific key (public member function)
<b>equal_range</b>	returns range of elements matching a specific key (public member function)

Retrieved from "http://en.cppreference.com/mwiki/index.php?title=c++/container/set/count&oldid=65131"

## std::set::find

iterator find( const Key& key );	(1)
const_iterator find( const Key& key ) const;	(2)
template< class K > iterator find( const K& x );	(3) (since C++14)
template< class K > const_iterator find( const K& x ) const;	(4) (since C++14)

1,2) Finds an element with key equivalent to key.

3,4) Finds an element with key that compares *equivalent* to the value x. This overload only participates in overload resolution if the qualified-id `Compare::is_transparent` is valid and denotes a type. It allows calling this function without constructing an instance of Key

### Parameters

- key** - key value of the element to search for
- x** - a value of any type that can be transparently compared with a key

### Return value

Iterator to an element with key equivalent to key. If no such element is found, past-the-end (see `end()`) iterator is returned.

### Complexity

Logarithmic in the size of the container.

### Example

Run this code

```
#include <iostream>
#include <set>

int main()
{
    std::set<int> example = {1, 2, 3, 4};

    auto search = example.find(2);
    if(search != example.end()) {
        std::cout << "Found " << (*search) << '\n';
    }
    else {
        std::cout << "Not found\n";
    }
}
```

Output:

Found 2

### See also

<b>count</b>	returns the number of elements matching specific key (public member function)
<b>equal_range</b>	returns range of elements matching a specific key (public member function)

Retrieved from "http://en.cppreference.com/mwiki/index.php?title=c++/container/set/find&oldid=50653"

# std::set::equal\_range

std::pair<iterator,iterator> equal_range( const Key& key );	(1)	
std::pair<const_iterator,const_iterator> equal_range( const Key& key ) const;	(2)	
template< class K > std::pair<iterator,iterator> equal_range( const K& x );	(3)	(since C++14)
template< class K > std::pair<const_iterator,const_iterator> equal_range( const K& x ) const;	(4)	(since C++14)

Returns a range containing all elements with the given key in the container. The range is defined by two iterators, one pointing to the first element that is *not less* than key and another pointing to the first element *greater* than key. Alternatively, the first iterator may be obtained with lower\_bound( ), and the second with upper\_bound( ).

- 1,2) Compares the keys to key.
- 3,4) Compares the keys to the value x. This overload only participates in overload resolution if the qualified-id Compare::is\_transparent is valid and denotes a type. They allow calling this function without constructing an instance of Key.

This section is incomplete  
Reason: explain better

## Parameters

- key - key value to compare the elements to
- x - alternative value that can be compared to Key

## Return value

std::pair containing a pair of iterators defining the wanted range: the first pointing to the first element that is not *less* than key and the second pointing to the first element *greater* than key.

If there are no elements *not less* than key, past-the-end (see end( )) iterator is returned as the first element. Similarly if there are no elements *greater* than key, past-the-end iterator is returned as the second element.

## Complexity

Logarithmic in the size of the container.

## Example

This section is incomplete  
Reason: no example

## See also

find	finds element with specific key (public member function)
upper_bound	returns an iterator to the first element <i>greater</i> than the given key (public member function)
lower_bound	returns an iterator to the first element <i>not less</i> than the given key (public member function)

Retrieved from "http://en.cppreference.com/mwiki/index.php?title=c++/container/set/equal\_range&oldid=65099"

## std::set::lower\_bound

<code>iterator lower_bound( const Key&amp; key );</code>	(1)
<code>const_iterator lower_bound( const Key&amp; key ) const;</code>	(1)
<code>template&lt; class K &gt;</code> <code>iterator lower_bound(const K&amp; x);</code>	(2) (since C++14)
<code>template&lt; class K &gt;</code> <code>const_iterator lower_bound(const K&amp; x) const;</code>	(2) (since C++14)

- 1) Returns an iterator pointing to the first element that is *not less* than `key`.
- 2) Returns an iterator pointing to the first element that compares *not less* to the value `x`. This overload only participates in overload resolution if the qualified-id `Compare::is_transparent` is valid and denotes a type. They allow calling this function without constructing an instance of `Key`.

### Parameters

- key** - key value to compare the elements to
- x** - alternative value that can be compared to `Key`

### Return value

Iterator pointing to the first element that is not *less* than `key`. If no such element is found, a past-the-end iterator (see `end()`) is returned.

### Complexity

Logarithmic in the size of the container.

### See also

<b>equal_range</b>	returns range of elements matching a specific key (public member function)
<b>upper_bound</b>	returns an iterator to the first element <i>greater</i> than the given key (public member function)

Retrieved from "http://en.cppreference.com/mwiki/index.php?title=c++/container/set/lower\_bound&oldid=50656"

# std::set::upper\_bound

<code>iterator upper_bound( const Key&amp; key );</code>	(1)
<code>const_iterator upper_bound( const Key&amp; key ) const;</code>	(1)
<code>template&lt; class K &gt;</code> <code>iterator upper_bound( const K&amp; x );</code>	(2) (since C++14)
<code>template&lt; class K &gt;</code> <code>const_iterator upper_bound( const K&amp; x ) const;</code>	(2) (since C++14)

- 1) Returns an iterator pointing to the first element that is *greater* than *key*.
- 2) Returns an iterator pointing to the first element that compares *greater* to the value *x*. This overload only participates in overload resolution if the qualified-id `Compare::is_transparent` is valid and denotes a type. They allow calling this function without constructing an instance of *Key*.

## Parameters

- key** - key value to compare the elements to
- x** - alternative value that can be compared to *Key*

## Return value

Iterator pointing to the first element that is *greater* than *key*. If no such element is found, past-the-end (see `end()`) iterator is returned.

## Complexity

Logarithmic in the size of the container.

## See also

<b>equal_range</b>	returns range of elements matching a specific key (public member function)
<b>lower_bound</b>	returns an iterator to the first element <i>not less</i> than the given key (public member function)

Retrieved from "http://en.cppreference.com/mwiki/index.php?title=c++/container/set/upper\_bound&oldid=50665"

## std::set::key\_comp

---

```
key_compare key_comp() const;
```

---

Returns the function object that compares the keys, which is a copy of this container's constructor argument `comp`. It is the same as `value_comp`.

### Parameters

(none)

### Return value

The key comparison function object.

### Complexity

Constant.

### See also

---

<b>value_comp</b>	returns the function that compares keys in objects of type <code>value_type</code> (public member function)
-------------------	----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------

---

Retrieved from "http://en.cppreference.com/mwiki/index.php?title=cpp/container/set/key\_comp&oldid=50655"

## std::set::value\_comp

---

```
std::set::value_compare value_comp() const;
```

---

Returns the function object that compares the values. It is the same as `key_comp`.

### Parameters

(none)

### Return value

The value comparison function object.

### Complexity

Constant.

### See also

---

**key\_comp** returns the function that compares keys  
(public member function)

---

Retrieved from "http://en.cppreference.com/mwiki/index.php?title=cpp/container/set/value\_comp&oldid=50666"



## operator==,!=,<,<=,>,>=(std::set)

---

```
template< class Key, class Compare, class Alloc >
bool operator==( const set<Key,Compare,Alloc>& lhs,      (1)
                 const set<Key,Compare,Alloc>& rhs );
```

---

```
template< class Key, class Compare, class Alloc >
bool operator!=( const set<Key,Compare,Alloc>& lhs,      (2)
                 const set<Key,Compare,Alloc>& rhs );
```

---

```
template< class Key, class Compare, class Alloc >
bool operator<( const set<Key,Compare,Alloc>& lhs,        (3)
                const set<Key,Compare,Alloc>& rhs );
```

---

```
template< class Key, class Compare, class Alloc >
bool operator<=( const set<Key,Compare,Alloc>& lhs,       (4)
                 const set<Key,Compare,Alloc>& rhs );
```

---

```
template< class Key, class Compare, class Alloc >
bool operator>( const set<Key,Compare,Alloc>& lhs,        (5)
                const set<Key,Compare,Alloc>& rhs );
```

---

```
template< class Key, class Compare, class Alloc >
bool operator>=( const set<Key,Compare,Alloc>& lhs,       (6)
                 const set<Key,Compare,Alloc>& rhs );
```

---

Compares the contents of two containers.

- 1-2) Checks if the contents of lhs and rhs are equal, that is, whether `lhs.size() == rhs.size()` and each element in lhs compares equal with the element in rhs at the same position.
- 3-6) Compares the contents of lhs and rhs lexicographically. The comparison is performed by a function equivalent to `std::lexicographical_compare`.

### Parameters

**lhs, rhs** - containers whose contents to compare

- Key must meet the requirements of EqualityComparable in order to use overloads (1-2).

### Return value

- 1) `true` if the contents of the containers are equal, `false` otherwise
- 2) `true` if the contents of the containers are not equal, `false` otherwise
- 3) `true` if the contents of the lhs are lexicographically *less* than the contents of rhs, `false` otherwise
- 4) `true` if the contents of the lhs are lexicographically *less* than or *equal* the contents of rhs, `false` otherwise
- 5) `true` if the contents of the lhs are lexicographically *greater* than the contents of rhs, `false` otherwise
- 6) `true` if the contents of the lhs are lexicographically *greater* than or *equal* the contents of rhs, `false` otherwise

### Complexity

Linear in the size of the container

---

Retrieved from "[http://en.cppreference.com/mwiki/index.php?title=c++/container/set/operator\\_cmp&oldid=50658](http://en.cppreference.com/mwiki/index.php?title=c++/container/set/operator_cmp&oldid=50658)"

## std::swap(std::set)

---

```
template< class Key, class Compare, class Alloc >
void swap( set<Key,Compare,Alloc>& lhs,
           set<Key,Compare,Alloc>& rhs );
```

---

Specializes the `std::swap` algorithm for `std::set`. Swaps the contents of `lhs` and `rhs`. Calls `lhs.swap(rhs)`.

### Parameters

**lhs, rhs** - containers whose contents to swap

### Return value

(none)

### Complexity

Constant.

### Exceptions

noexcept specification: (since C++17)

---

```
noexcept( noexcept( lhs.swap( rhs ) ) )
```

---

### See also

---

**swap** swaps the contents  
(public member function)

---

Retrieved from "http://en.cppreference.com/mwiki/index.php?title=c++/container/set/swap2&oldid=50664"