

# Advanced Containers and Iterators

Bad Dad Joke of the Day:

- Dad: Hey son, take some of this jerky 🤗\*
- Son: Thanks dad 😊
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# Game Plan



- Map Iterators
- Further Iterator Usages
- Announcements
- Iterator Types

# Brief Recap

# Associative Containers

Useful abstraction for “**associating**” a key with a value.

```
std::map
```

```
map<string, int> directory;    // name -> phone number
```

```
std::set
```

```
set<string> dict;              // does it contain a word?
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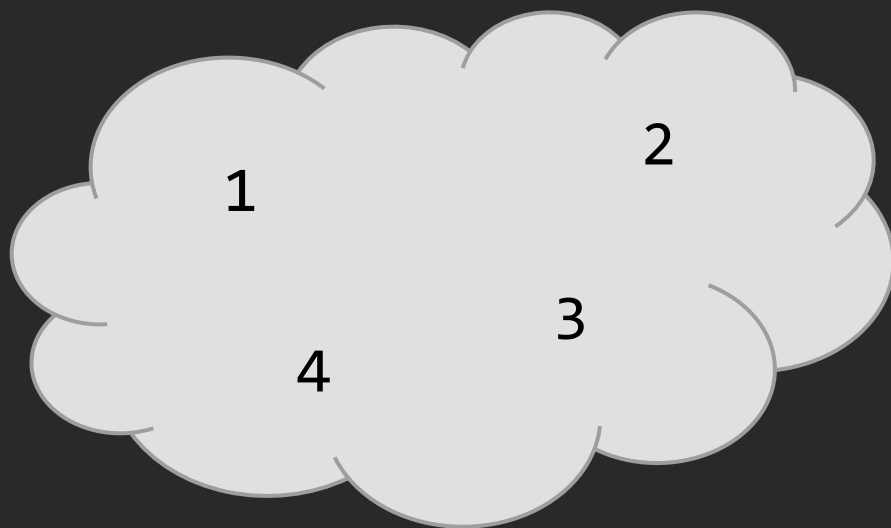
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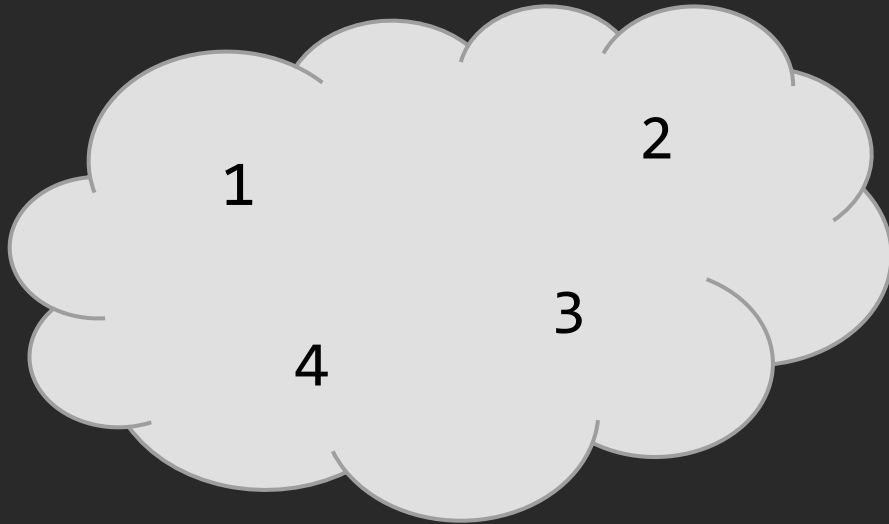


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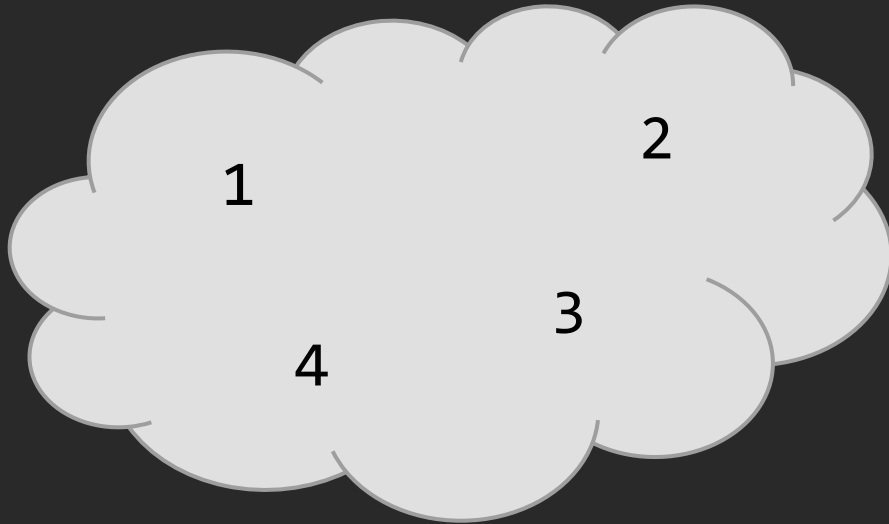
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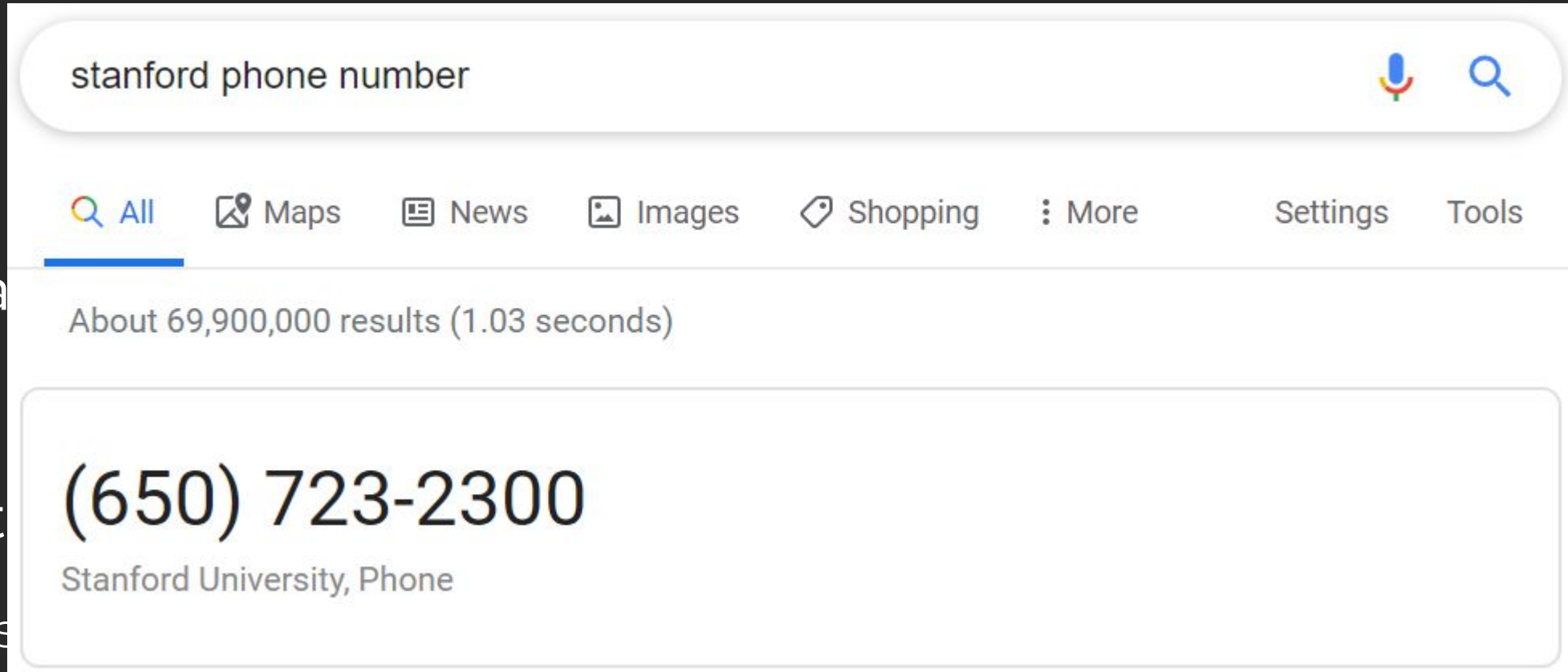
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`make_pair` automatically deduces the type!

This is a great place to use `auto`!

```
auto time = std::make_pair(1, 45);
```



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Instead, add elements by calling `.insert` on a key value `std::pair`.

```
std::multimap<int, int> myMMap;  
myMMap.insert(make_pair(3, 3));  
myMMap.insert({3, 12}); // shorter syntax  
cout << myMMap.count(3) << endl; // prints 2
```

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Map iterators are slightly different because we have both keys and values.

Dereferencing a `set<string>` iterator gives you a `string`.

Dereferencing a `map<string, int>` iterator gives you an `std::pair<string, int>`.

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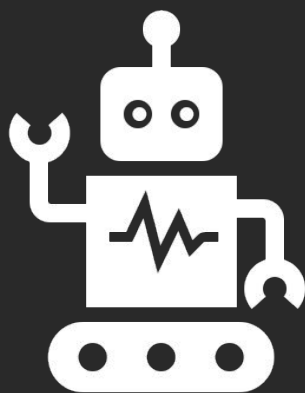
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# Further Iterator Usages

# Iterator Uses

Iterators are useful for more than just looping through an entire container!

Let's take a look...



# Example

## Iterator Uses



# Iterator Uses - Sorting

For example, we sorted a vector using

```
std::sort(vec.begin(), vec.end());
```

# Iterator Uses - Find

## Finding elements

```
const int elemToFind = 5;
vector<int>::iterator it = std::find(vec.begin(),
                                    vec.end(), elemToFind);

if(it != vec.end()) {
    cout << "Found: " << *it << endl;
} else {
    cout << "Element not found!" << endl;
}
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- `count` is actually just a call to the `find` function! So `find` is marginally faster

Of course, C++20 will bring a new `contains(key)` method... but until then, use `find`.

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## Finding elements

```
set<int>::iterator iter = mySet.lower_bound(7);  
set<int>::iterator end = mySet.lower_bound(26);  
while (iter != end) {  
    cout << *i << endl;  
    ++i;  
}
```

# Iterator Uses - Ranges

We can iterate through different ranges

	[a, b]	[a, b)	(a, b]	(a, b)
begin	lower_bound(a)	lower_bound(a)	upper_bound(a)	upper_bound(a)
end	upper_bound(b)	lower_bound(b)	upper_bound(b)	lower_bound(b)



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let *range-init* be equivalent to the *braced-init-list*. In each case, a range-based `for` statement is equivalent to

```
{  
    auto && __range = range-init;  
    for ( auto __begin = begin-expr,  
          __end = end-expr;  
          __begin != __end;  
          ++__begin ) {  
        for-range-declaration = *__begin;  
        statement  
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# Announcements

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- Office hours for Assignment 1 on Piazza!
- Feedback form #1 released! Fill out by next Thursday (1/30) for an extra late day.

<https://bit.ly/2vfV4As>

# Quick Review of Structs

for Assignment 1!

# General Struct Syntax

// Declaring the struct definition

```
struct Object {  
    type var1;  
    type var2;  
}
```

// Initializing a struct object using uniform initialization

```
struct Object objName{value1, value2};  
    // "struct" keyword is optional in C++
```

// Operating on the struct object - in this case, assigning a value

```
objName.var1 = newvalue1;
```

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```
graph.nodes.push_back( {someXValue, someYValue} );
```

```
    // automatically creates Node object + adds to vector
```

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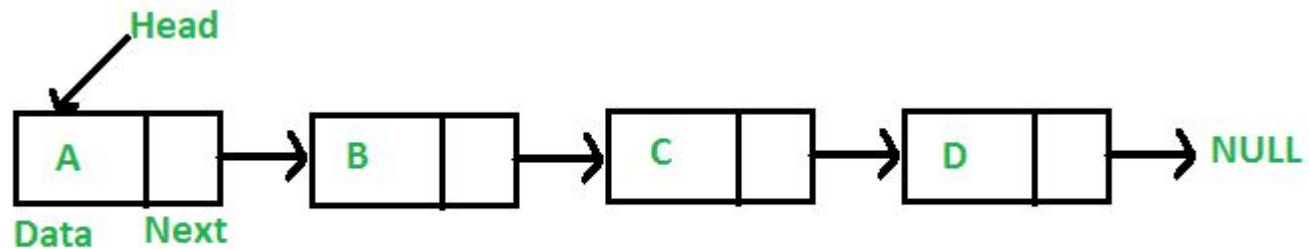
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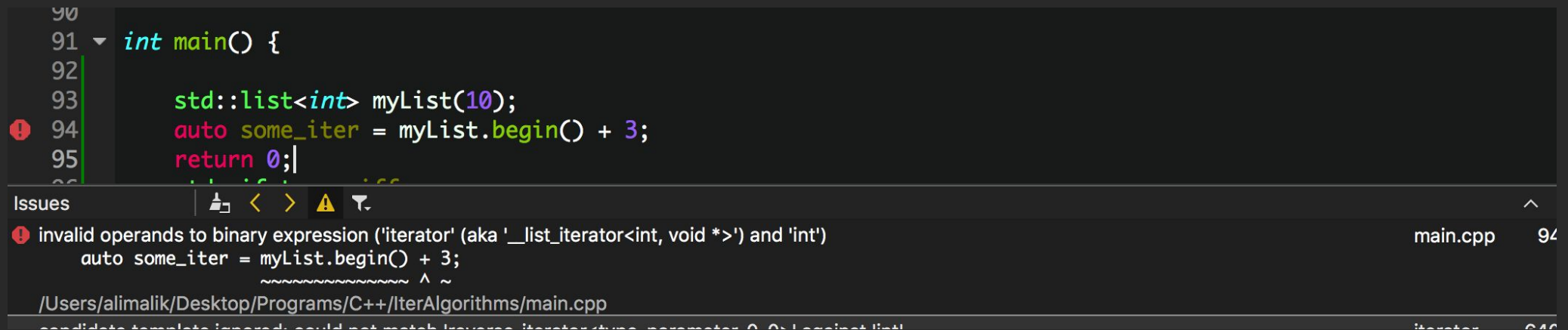
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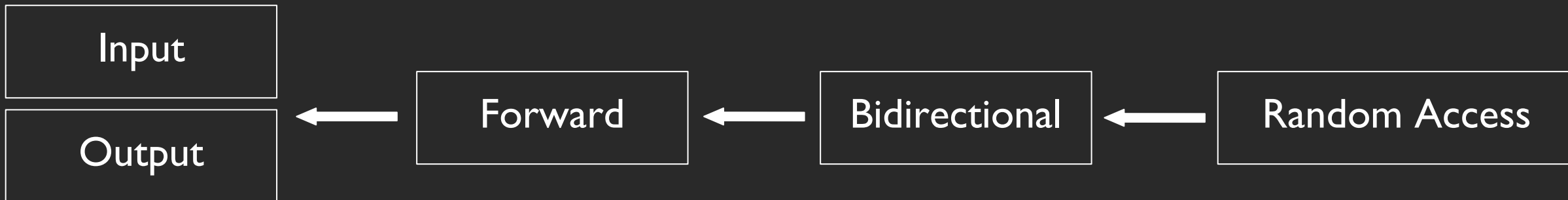
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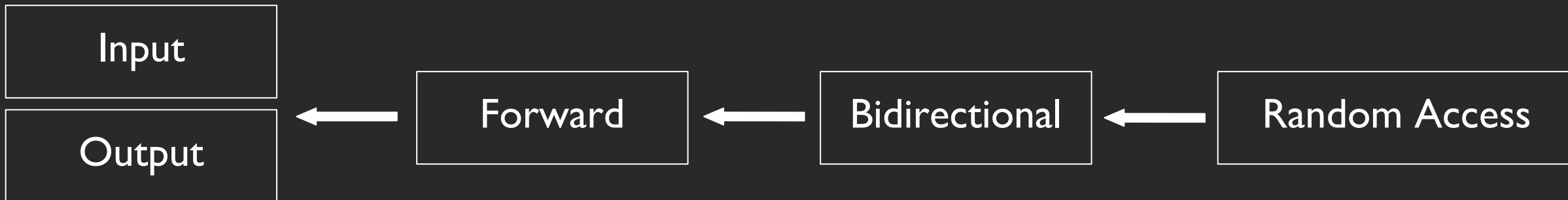
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All iterators share a few **common** traits:

Can be created from existing iterator

Can be advanced using **++**

Can be compared with **==** and **!=**

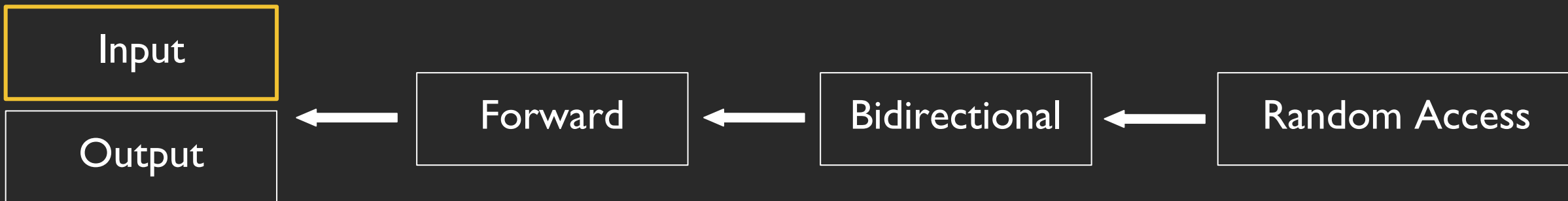


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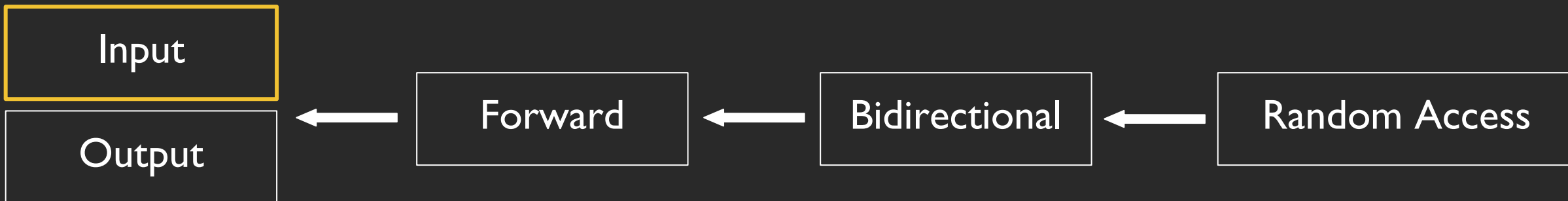


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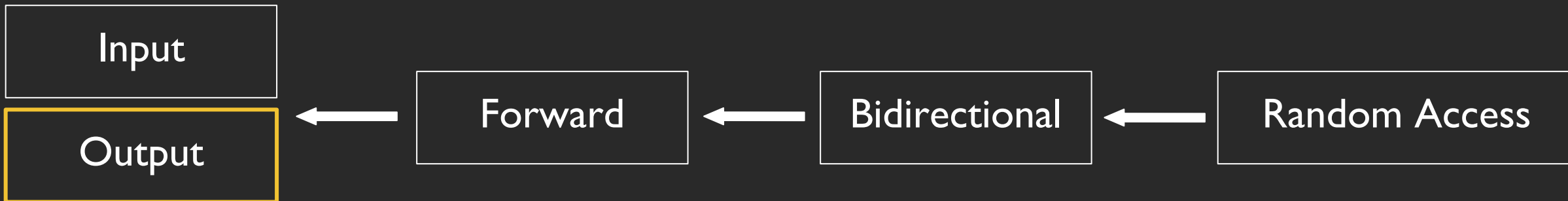


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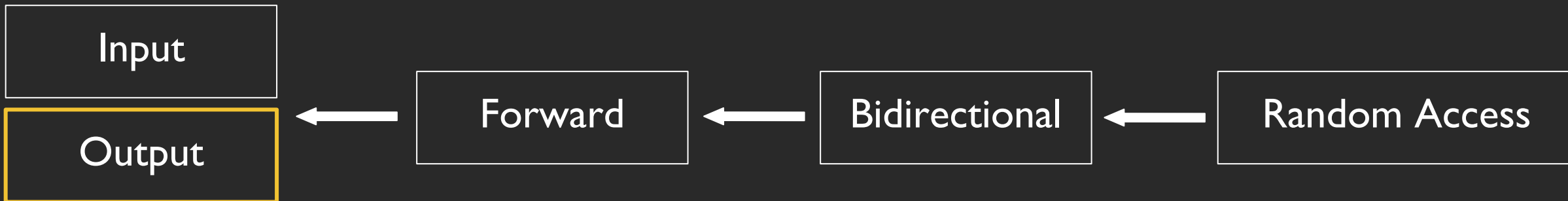
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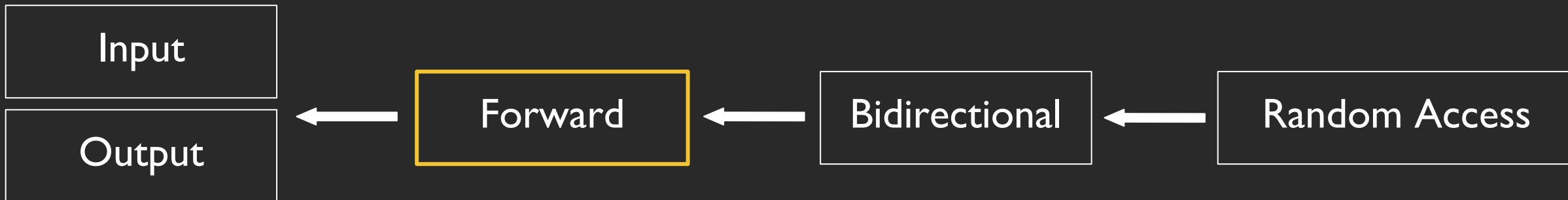


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template< class ForwardIt, class T >  
void replace( ForwardIt first, ForwardIt last,  
              const T& old_value, const T& new_value );
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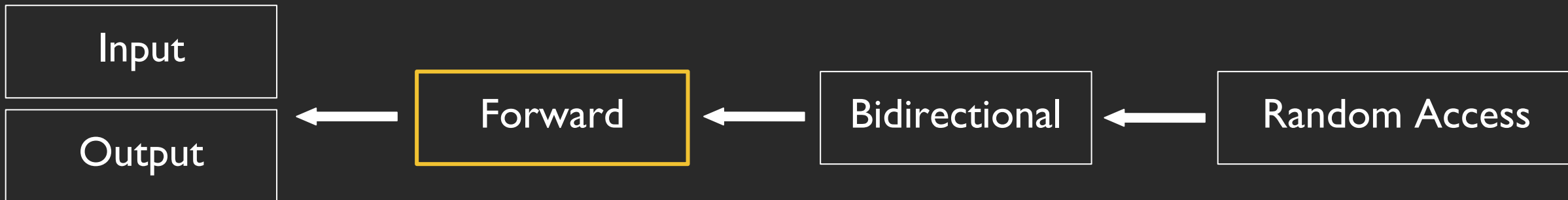
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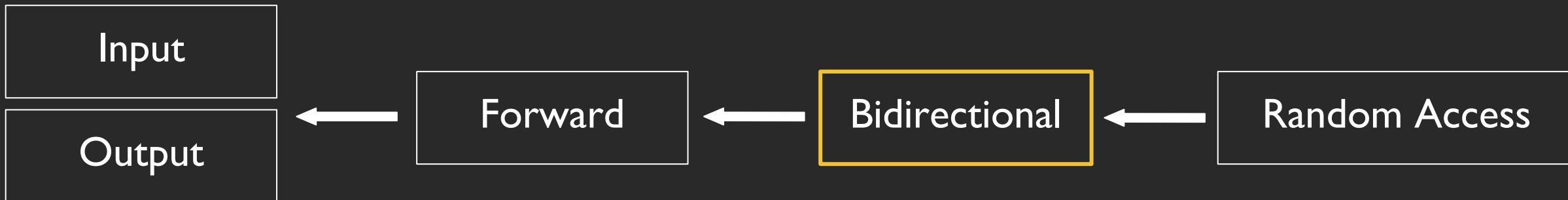
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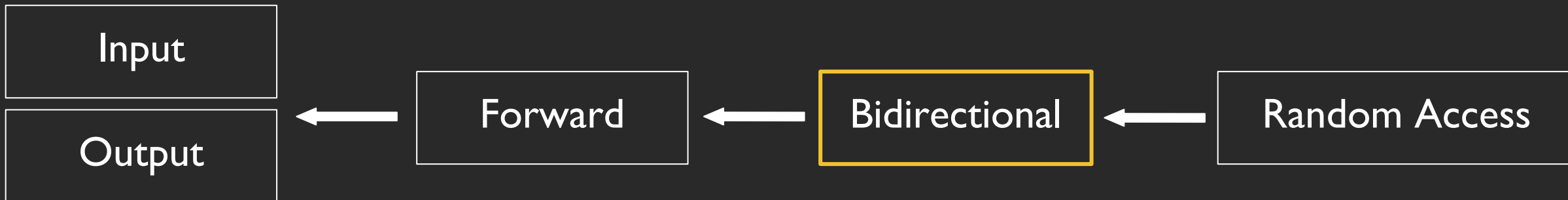
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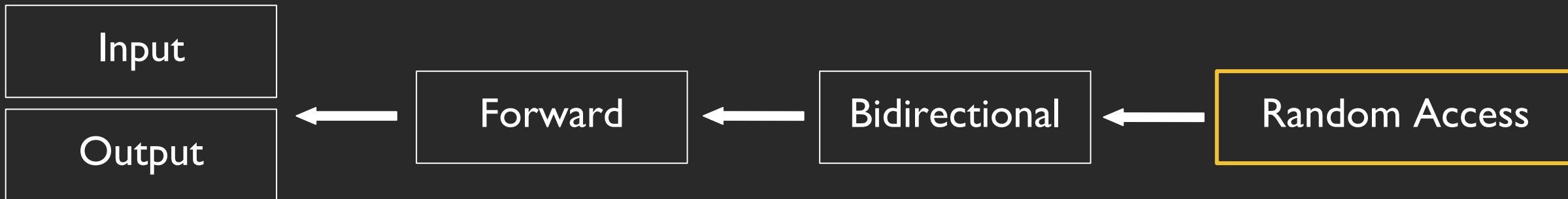
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# Random Access Iterators

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int val = *itr;  
itr = itr + 3;  
int val2 = *itr;
```



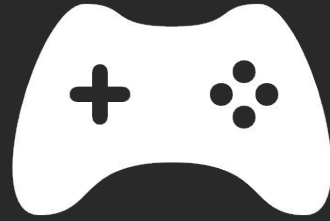
# Random Access Iterators

Same as bidirectional iterators, + can be incremented or decremented by **arbitrary** amounts using + and -.

```
vector<int> v = ...  
vector<int>::iterator itr = v.begin();  
int val = *itr;  
itr = itr + 3;  
int val2 = *itr;
```

Use cases:

- std::vector, std::deque, std::string
- Pointers!



# Next time

Templates!