

Programming

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Iterators

Sequence containers like *vectors* or *strings* offer random access iterators for either ordered traversal using `begin` and `end`, or reversed traversal with `rbegin` and `rend`.

```
c = some container
for (auto it = c.begin(); it != c.end(); i++) ...
for (auto rit = c.rbegin(); rit != c.rend(); i++)
    // use *rit
```

Remark. Such containers can be used for *range-based* for loops.

Range-Based For Loop

Range-based for loops are used to execute statements through any `range` defined by *iterators* `begin` and `end`.

```
for (auto & i : c) ...
```

Remark. Using a reference `&` is almost always preferred. For *read-only* purposes, preface with `const`.

Element Access

Noteworthy element access functions are `front` and `back` which return a direct reference for respectively the first and last element of a sequence container.

```
c = some container  
c.front() += 10;  
c.back() = 42;
```

Remark. Complement basic functions `operator[]` and `at`.

Vector

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