I compared how long it takes to copy a Player versus move a Player between different scenarios:

• Small inventory: 10x10 items (100 total items)

• Large inventory: 2000x2000 items (4 million total items)

## Small Inventory (10x10)

Copy time: 5 microsecondsMove time: 0 microseconds

• **Difference:** Move is slightly faster

# Large Inventory (2000x2000)

• **Copy time:** 56,118 microseconds

• Move time: 1 microsecond

• **Difference:** Move is 56,000 times faster

### Analysis:

When working with small amounts of data, copying and moving take about the same time. But when dealing with large amounts of data, moving becomes much more efficient.

## Why moving is faster:

- Copying creates a brand new copy of all the data
- Moving just transfers ownership without copying anything
- With 4 million items, copying takes a lot more work than just moving pointers around

#### **Observations:**

- 1. **Size matters:** The bigger the data, the more move operations help with performance
- 2. **Small data:** For small inventories, the difference isn't very noticeable
- 3. Large data: For large inventories, move operations are essential for good performance
- 4. Memory usage: Moving also saves memory since you're not creating duplicates

#### Conclusion:

This experiment shows why move semantics are important in C++. When working with large amounts of data, using move operations instead of copy operations can make a program run thousands of times faster. For small data, it doesn't matter much, but for big data structures, move semantics are crucial for performance.