

Growing & Shrinking

Unlike the built-in array type, the size of a **vector** is **not fixed**; it can grow or shrink at runtime. The `push_back()` member function appends a new element **to the end** of the **vector**. If the **vector** is full, **it is expanded**. Here's an example:

```
vector<int> v;      // size is 0
v.push_back(1);    // size is now 1
v.push_back(2);    // size is now 2
v.push_back(5);    // size is now 3
```

If **v** is an empty **vector<int>**, executing the code above adds these three elements to the end of **v**. Afterwards, **v** looks like the illustration here.

0	1	2
1	2	5

You can add additional elements at any time. Later, for example, you could call `v.push_back(4)`; which would add the value **4** to the end of the **vector**, like this.

0	1	2	3
1	2	5	4

The `pop_back()` member function removes the element at **the end** of the **vector** and **decreases** its size. If the **vector** is empty, calling `pop_back()` is undefined behavior. After calling `v.pop_back()` on the **vector**, its contents and size are back where it started.

0	1	2
1	2	5



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