#### C++ STL Cheatsheet - Version 1.0.0

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## Containers

## Vector (vector)

- $\textbf{Operations:} \ \operatorname{Access} \ (\texttt{O(1)}), \ \operatorname{Insert/Delete} \ \operatorname{at end} \ (\texttt{O(1)} \ \operatorname{amortized}), \ \operatorname{Insert/Delete}$ elsewhere (O(n)).
- Note: vector is implemented as a dynamic array.

```
#include <vector>
std::vector<int> vec; // Declaration
vec.push_back(10); // Insert at the end - Amortized `O(1)`
vec.size(); // Get the number of elements - `O(1)
vec.insert(vec.begin() + i, 20); // Insert at index i (0-based) - `O(n)` vec.erase(vec.begin() + i); // Remove at index i (0-based) - `O(n)` vec.pop_back(); // Remove the last element - `O(1)` vec.clear(); // Remove all elements - `O(n)`
Set (set)
```

- Operations: Insert/Delete/Search (O(log n)).
- Note: set is implemented as a balanced binary search tree (Red-Black Tree).

```
#include <set>
std::set<int> s;
s.insert(1); // Insert an element - `O(log n)`
s.find(1); // Insert on element of cog n/s
s.find(1); // Find an element - `O(log n)`
s.erase(1); // Remove an element - `O(log n)`
s.clear(); // Remove all elements - `O(n)`
s.size(); // Get the number of elements - `O(1)`
```

- Map (map)
- Operations: Insert/Delete/Search by key (O(log n)).
- Note: map is implemented as a balanced binary search tree (Red-Black Tree).

# #include <map> std::map<int, int> m; m[1] = 2; // Insert or update a key-value pair - `O(log n)` m.emplace(1, 2); // Insert a key-value pair - `O(log n) m.find(1); // Find an element by key - `O(log n)` m.erase(1); // Remove an element by key - `O(log n) m.clear(); // Remove all elements - `O(n)` m.size(); // Get the number of elements - `O(1)`

### Unordered Set (unordered\_set)

- Operations: Insert/Delete/Search (Average: O(1), Worst: O(n)).
- Note: unordered\_set is implemented as a hash table.

```
#include <unordered set>
 std::unordered_set<int> us;
us.insert(1); // Insert an element - `Average: O(1)`, Worst: `O(n)` us.find(1); // Find an element - `Average: O(1)`, Worst: `O(n)` us.erase(1); // Remove an element - `Average: O(1)`, Worst: `O(n)` us.clear(); // Remove all elements - `O(n)` us.size(); // Get the number of elements - `O(1)`
```

### Unordered Map (unordered\_map)

- Operations: Insert/Delete/Search by key (Average: O(1), Worst: O(n)).
- Note: unordered\_map is implemented as a hash table.

```
#include <unordered_map>
    std::unordered_map<int, int> um;
um[1] = 2; // Insert or update a key-value pair-`Average: O(1)`, Worst: `O(n)` um.emplace(1, 2); // Insert a key-value pair - `Average: O(1)`, Worst: `O(n)` um.find(1); // Find an element by key - `Average: O(1)`, Worst: `O(n)` um.erase(1); // Remove an element by key - `Average: O(1)`, Worst: `O(n)` um.clear(); // Remove all elements - `O(n)` um.clear(); // Remove all el
  um.size(); // Get the number of elements - `O(1)`
```

# Stack (stack)

- ${\bf Operations:} \ {\rm Push/Pop/Top} \ ({\tt O(1)}).$
- Note: stack is implemented as a deque (double-ended queue).

```
#include <stack>
   std::stack<int> st;
std::stack<:nt> st;
st.push(10); // Push an element - `O(1)`
st.pop(); // Pop an element - `O(1)`
st.top(); // Get the top element - `O(1)`
st.size(); // Get the number of elements - `O(1)`
st.empty(); // Check if the stack is empty - `O(1)`
st.clear(); // Remove all elements - `O(n)`
```

## Queue (queue)

#include <queue>

- ${\bf Operations:} \ {\rm Enqueue/Dequeue/Front} \ ({\tt O(1)}).$
- Note: queue is implemented as a deque (double-ended queue).

```
#include <queue>
std::queue<int> q;
q.push(10); // Enqueue an element - `O(1)`
q.pop(); // Dequeue an element - `O(1)`
q.front(); // Get the front element - `O(1)`
q.size(); // Get the number of elements - `O(1)`
q.empty(); // Check if the queue is empty -
q.clear(); // Remove all elements - `O(n)
```

## Priority Queue (priority\_queue)

- $\label{eq:operations: Insert/Delete Max (O(log n)), Get Max (O(1)). }$
- Note: priority\_queue is implemented as a heap.

```
std::priority_queue<int> pq;
pq.push(10); // Insert an element - `O(log n)` pq.pop(); // Remove the top element - `O(log n)` pq.top(); // Get the top element - `O(1)`
pq.size(); // Get the number of elements - `O(1)`
pq.empty(); // Check if the priority queue is empty - `O(1)`
pq.clear(); // Remove all elements - `O(n)`
```

## Algorithms

#### Sort

- Time Complexity: O(n log n).
- Note: By default, it sorts in ascending order, algorithm used is IntroSort.

```
#include <algorithm>
std::sort(vec.begin(), vec.end()); // Ascending
std::sort(vec.begin(), vec.end(), std::greater<int>()); // Descending
```

## Binary Search (binary\_search)

- Time Complexity: O(log n).
- Note: The array must be sorted.

std::binary\_search(vec.begin(), vec.end(), val);

#### Lower Bound and Upper Bound

- Time Complexity: O(log n).
- Note: The array must be sorted.

```
auto 1b = std::lower_bound(vec.begin(), vec.end(), val); // Not less than val
auto ub = std::upper_bound(vec.begin(), vec.end(), val); // Greater than val
```

#### Max Element and Min Element

- Time Complexity: O(n).
- Note: Returns an iterator to the maximum/minimum element.

```
auto max it = std::max element(vec.begin(), vec.end());
auto min_it = std::min_element(vec.begin(), vec.end());
```

#### Utilities Pair (pair)

# Simple container to store two values.

```
#include <utility>
std::pair<int, int> p = {1, 2};
```

#### Tuple (tuple)

• Generalization of pair to hold more than two items.

```
#include <tuple>
std::tuple<int, char, double> t = {1, 'a', 2.0};
```

#### Swap

• Exchange the values of two variables. O(1).

```
std::swap(a, b);
```

#### Reverse

Reverse the elements of a container. O(n).

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

## **Next Permutation and Previous Permutation**

Rearrange the elements into the next/previous lexicographically greater permutation. O(n).

```
std::next_permutation(vec.begin(), vec.end());
std::prev_permutation(vec.begin(), vec.end());
```

Assigns the given value to the elements in the range. O(n).

```
std::fill(vec.begin(), vec.end(), val);
```

#### Memory Set

Fills the first n bytes of the memory area pointed to by ptr with the constant byte val. O(n).

```
#include <cstring>
std::memset(ptr, val, n); // Entire with val std::memset(ptr, -1, sizeof(ptr));
```

· Returns the minimum/maximum of two values.

```
std::min(a, b);
std::max(a, b);
```

#### Absolute

· Returns the absolute value of a number.

```
std::abs(val);
```

## String Stream

Used to manipulate strings as if they were input/output streams.

```
#include <sstream>
std::stringstream ss;
ss<<"Hello";
ss>>str;
```

## **String Functions**

- stoi, stol, stoll, stoul, stoull, stof, stod, stold: Convert string to integer/long/long long/unsigned long/unsigned long long/float/double/long double.
- to\_string: Convert number to string.
- getline: Read a line from input stream. std::stoi("10");

```
std::to_string(10);
std::getline(std::cin, str);
```

#### Count

· Count the number of occurrences of a value in a range. std::count(vec.begin(), vec.end(), val);