Iterators and Ranges for numerical problems

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Introduction

Iterators

Unique way to traverse containers Unique way to apply iterative IO Unique way of expressing algorithms

Example – basic use

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    iter != values.end() ;
    ++iter )
{
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C++11 - use range based for

```
for( auto v : values )
{
    cout << v << endl;
}</pre>
```

Example – Container traversal

```
list< double > values;
list< double > values2( values.size() );
```

Can be used in

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```
vector< double > values;
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```

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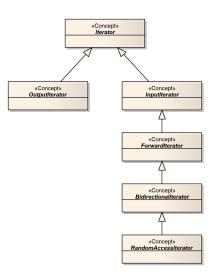
Examples – IO

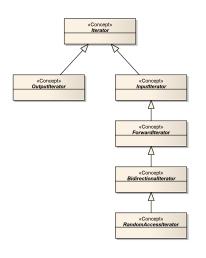
Input

Output

Examples – Combine algorithms

Find a nice real life example.

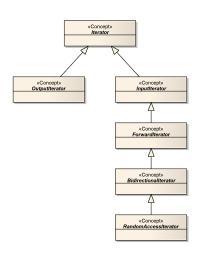




OutputIterator

```
*i = 0;
*i++ = 0;
i++;
++i;
```

Are special, back_inserter,
ostream_iterator,...

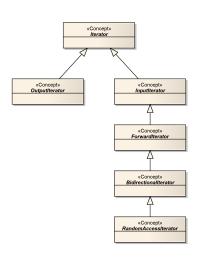


InputIterator a.k.a. Single-Pass Iterator

```
bool r = i != j;
val x = *i;
iterator j = ++i;
i++;
val x = *i++;
```

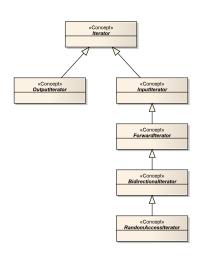
istream_iterator,
istreambuf_iterator

But, if
$$i == j$$
 then $++i$ $!= ++j$



ForwardIterator

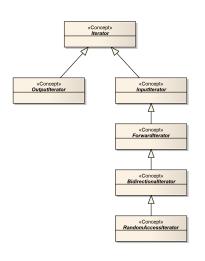
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BidirectionalIterator

```
iterator j = --i;
iterator j = i--;
val x = *i--;
```

```
map< K , V >::iterator,
list< T >::iterator
```



RandomAccessIterator

```
i += n;
i -= n;
val x = i[n];
long dist = i - j;
bool b = i < j;</pre>
```

vector< T >::iterator

Algorithms

F find_end F iter_swap R nth element B new I,F find_first_if B reverse F lower_bound F ion F adjacent_find B,O reverse_copy F upper_bound F ion F search F rotate F search_n F,O rotate_copy I,O copy R random_shuffle I,O more I,O copy_n F unique I includes I,O unique_copy I,O set_difference I,O set_difference I,O set_symmetric_difference I,O transform F generate I includes I,O set_unition I,O set_				
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```
s_heap
s heap until
ake_heap
ush_heap
op_heap
ort_heap
ax element
in element
inmax element
exicographical_compare
s_permutation
ext_permutation
rev_permutation
ccumulate
nner_product
adjacent_difference
partial sum
```

Ranges

Simplifying iterators
Generalization of iterators
First defined in Boost
Soon in the standard library?

Ranges – more examples from boost

Filters complicated algorithms

Ranges in Boost

Ranges are pairs of iterators. Memory overhead Filters grow exponential in size

Ranges for the native C++

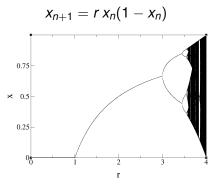
Introduces new concepts:
Iterable, Container, Sentinel
The range is the main abstraction not the iterator
It holds all informations
Concepts, asymmetric algorithms, sentinels have their own type.

Iterators and ranges for dynamical systems

Dynamical systems - Maps

$$x_{n+1} = f(x_n)$$

Example: Logistic map

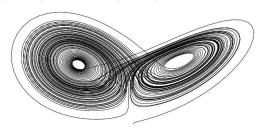


Dynamical systems – ODEs

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}x}{\mathrm{d}t}=f(x,t)$$

Example: Lorenz attractor

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \sigma(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{x})$$
 , $\dot{\mathbf{y}} = \mathbf{x}(\rho - \mathbf{z}) - \mathbf{y}$, $\dot{\mathbf{z}} = \mathbf{x}\mathbf{y} - \beta\mathbf{z}$



Numerical solution: $x(t + \Delta t) = F(x(t))$

Newton method

Find the root: 0 = f(x)

Newtons method

- Choose x₀
- Iterate $x_{n+1} = x_n \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)}$

Map range

Abstraction for $x_{n+1} = f(x_n)$

Two versions:

- map_range stop predicate
- 2 counted_map_range iterates n-times

Models the SinglePassRange concept

Map range – implementation

Range algorithms redirect to iterator algorithms:

```
template< typename R , typename F >
void for_each( R const& r , F f ) {
   std::for_each( r.begin() , e.end() , f );
}
```

Map range

```
template< typename T , typename F , typename C >
class map_range
   struct iterator { ... };
  public:
    map_range( T value , F func , C condition )
    : m value { std::move( value ) }
    , m_func { std::move(func) }
    , m_condition( condition )
    { }
    iterator begin() const { return iterator( this ); }
    iterator end() const { return iterator( nullptr ); }
private:
    mutable T m_value;
    mutable F m_func;
    C m condition;
};
```

Map range

```
struct iterator {
   iterator( map_range const* _r ) : r( _r ) {}
    iterator& operator++() {
        r->m value = r->m func( r->m value );
        if ( r->m condition ( r->m value ) ) {
            r = nullptr:
        return *this:
    T& operator*() const {
        return r->m value; }
   bool operator == ( iterator const& o ) const {
        return ( r == o.r ); }
    bool operator!=( iterator const& o ) const {
        return ! ( *this == o );
    map_range const* r;
};
```

Counted map range

```
template < typename T , typename F >
class counted map range
    struct iterator { ... };
public:
    counted map range ( T value , F func , size t
        max iterations )
    : m current iteration { 0 }
    , m max iterations { max iterations }
    , m_value { std::move( value ) }
    , m func { std::move(func) }
    { }
    iterator begin() const { return iterator( this ); }
    iterator end( void ) { return iterator( nullptr ); }
private:
    mutable size_t m_current_iteration = 0;
    const size_t m_max_iterations;
    mutable T m value;
    mutable F m_func;
};
```

Factory functions

```
template< typename T , typename F , typename C >
auto make_map_range( T t , F f , C condition )
{
   return map_range< T , F , C >(
        std::move( t ) ,
        std::move( f ) ,
        std::move( condition ) );
}
```

```
template< typename T , typename F >
auto make_counted_map_range( T t , F f , size_t
    max_iterations )
{
    return counted_map_range< T , F >(
        std::move( t ) ,
        std::move( f ) ,
        max_iterations );
}
```

Examples – generalized iota

Generalized lota:

```
size_t n = 10;
auto iota = make_counted_map_range( 1 , []( auto x ) {
    return x * 2; } , 10 );

std::vector< int > values;
boost::copy( iota_range , std::back_inserter( values ) );
for( auto i : values ) { cout << i << endl; }</pre>
```

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Introduce a projected map range.

Example - logistic map

```
double r = 3.2;

auto l = [r] ( auto x ) {return r * x * (1.0 - x); };

auto range = make_counted_map_range(0.5, l, 1000);

for(auto x: range) { cout << x << endl; }
```

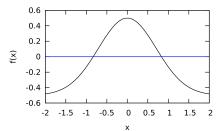
Example – Newton method

```
auto newton_range(
   auto x , auto f , auto df ,
   auto break_condition )
{
   return make_map_range(
          x ,
          [f,df]( auto x ) { return x - f( x ) / df( x ); } ,
          break_condition );
}
```

Example – Newton method

```
auto f = []( auto x ) { return exp(-x*x) - 0.5; };
auto df = []( auto x ) { return -2.0*x * exp(-x*x); };
auto cond = [f]( auto x ) {
   return std::abs(f(x)) < 1.0e-12; };
auto range = newton_range( 1.0 , f , df , cond );

for( auto r : range )
   std::cout << r << " : " << f( r ) << std::endl;</pre>
```



Example – ODE solver

Solve $\dot{x} = f(x, t)$, Solver $F : x(t + \delta t) = F(x(t))$ Example Boost.Odeint:

Integrate functions:

```
auto obs = []( auto x , auto t ) { std::cout << t << " " << x[0] << "\n"; }; odeint::integrate_const( stepper , lorenz , x , 0.0 , 10.0 , dt , obs );
```

Example – ODE Solver

```
auto make_ode_range( auto sys , auto stepper , auto x ,
    auto t0 , auto dt , auto t1 )
{
    auto solve = [sys,stepper,dt]( auto x ) mutable {
        stepper.do_step( sys , x.first , x.second , dt );
        x.second += dt;
        return x; );
    auto cond = [t1]( auto const& x ) { return x.second > t1; };
    auto range = make_map_range( std::make_pair(x,t0) , solver , cond );
    return range;
}
```

Can be used as

```
state_type x {{ 10.0 , 10.0 , 10.0 }};
stepper_type stepper;
auto range = make_ode_range( lorenz , stepper , x , 0.0 , 0.1 , 100.0 );

for( auto r : range )
    std::cout << r.second << " " << r.first[0] << " " << r.first[1] << "\n";</pre>
```

ODE ranges

Superior to integrate functions:

- Break conditions are easy
- ODE-Ranges can be used in a natural C++ way, find, transform, etc.

But, the implementation has some drawbacks -> custom range implementations

- Better performance.
- Step size control complicated iteration.
- Break condition can use the last two values.

Map range - applications

- Generalized iota
- Ordinary differential equations
- Maps (dynamical maps)
- Functional random number generators
- Opmization methods
 - Genetic algorithms, Simulated annealing, ...

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Iterators for GPUs algorithms

High-level libraries for GPUs

- Thrust
- VexCL
- Boost.Compute
- ViennaCL
- Cuda-MTL

Thrust

Thrust is STL-like library for Cuda – Based on iterators.

```
thrust::host_vector<int> h_vec( 1024 );
std::generate(h_vec.begin(), h_vec.end(), rand);
thrust::device_vector<int> d_vec = h_vec;
thrust::sort(d_vec.begin(), d_vec.end());
thrust::copy(d_vec.begin(), d_vec.end(), h_vec.begin());
```

Iterators in Thrust

- device_vector< T >::iterator
- host_vector< T >::iterator
- Special (fancy) iterator
 - zip_iterator
 - transform_iterator
 - permutation_iterator
 - constant_iterator, counting_iterator, discard_iterator, reverse_iterator

Custom algorithms

Special iterators for Thrust

Calculate the norm of a vector

$$||x|| = \sum_{i=1}^{N} x_i^2$$

```
thrust::device_vector< double > x;
// fill x
double n = thrust::reduce(x.begin(), x.end(), 0.0); // ?
```

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thrust::device_vector< double > x;
// fill x

auto op = []( auto x , auto y ) { return x + y*y; };
double n = thrust::reduce(x.begin() ,x.end() ,0.0 ,op); //
?
```

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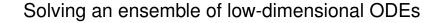
op = []( auto x ) { return x*x; };
double n = thrust::reduce(
    thrust::make_transform_iterator(x.begin(), op) ,
    thrust::make_transform_iterator(x.end(), op), 0.0);
// correct
```

SAXPY

$$s = ax + y$$

Special problems - and solutions

Bucket sort



Lorenz example and ODEs

Conclusion

Outlook

References