C++ Software Engineering

for engineers of other disciplines

Module 3
"C++Templates"
1st Lecture: std::



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std::



- C++ Standard Template Library (STL) is a collection of headers providing "basic necessary" functionalities.
- The library is mostly template based.
- The library is implemented in **std** namespace.
- Each new C++ version, expands the library.

Dynamic memory management

<new></new>	Low-level memory management utilities		
<memory></memory>	High-level memory management utilities		
<pre><scoped_allocator>(C++11)</scoped_allocator></pre>	Nested allocator class		
<pre><memory_resource>(C++17)</memory_resource></pre>	Polymorphic allocators and memory resources		
Numeric limits			
<climits></climits>	Limits of integral types		
<cfloat></cfloat>	Limits of floating-point types		
<cstdint>(C++11)</cstdint>	Fixed-width integer types and limits of other types		
<cinttypes>(C++11)</cinttypes>	Formatting macros, intmax_t and uintmax_t math and conversions		
	Uniform way to query properties of arithmetic types		
Error handling			
<exception></exception>	Exception handling utilities		
<stdexcept></stdexcept>	Standard exception objects		
<cassert></cassert>	Conditionally compiled macro that compares its argument to zero		
<pre><system_error> (C++11)</system_error></pre>	Defines std::error_code, a platform-dependent error code		
<cerrno></cerrno>	Macro containing the last error number		

Utilities library

<cstdlib></cstdlib>	General purpose utilities: program control, dynamic memory allocation random numbers, sort and search		
<csignal></csignal>	Functions and macro constants for signal management		
<csetjmp></csetjmp>	Macro (and function) that saves (and jumps) to an execution context		
<cstdarg></cstdarg>	Handling of variable length argument lists		
<typeinfo></typeinfo>	Runtime type information utilities		
<typeindex>(C++11)</typeindex>	std::type_index		
<type_traits>(C++11)</type_traits>	Compile-time type information		
 ditset>	std::bitset class template		
Input/output library			
<iosfwd></iosfwd>	Forward declarations of all classes in the input/output library		
<ios></ios>	std::ios_base class, std::basic_ios class template and several typedefs		
<istream></istream>	std::basic_istream class template and several typedefs		
<ostream></ostream>	<pre>std::basic_ostream, std::basic_iostream class templates and several typedefs</pre>		
<iostream></iostream>	Several standard stream objects		
<fstream></fstream>	<pre>std::basic_fstream, std::basic_ifstream, std::basic_ofstream class templates and several typedefs</pre>		
<sstream></sstream>	<pre>std::basic_stringstream, std::basic_istringstream, std::basic_ostringstream class templates and several typedefs</pre>		
<syncstream>(C++20)</syncstream>	<pre>std::basic_osyncstream, std::basic_syncbuf, and typedefs</pre>		
<strstream> (deprecated in C++98)</strstream>	std::strstream, std::istrstream, std::ostrstream		
<iomanip></iomanip>	Helper functions to control the format of input and output		
<streambuf></streambuf>	std::basic_streambuf class template		
<cstdio></cstdio>	C-style input-output functions		

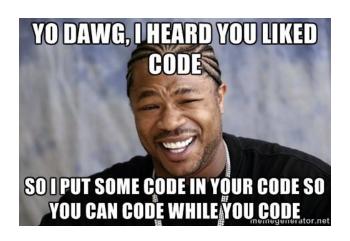
- List of all the headers in STL could be found here: https://en.cppreference.com/w/cpp/header
- **<iostream>** is one of many headers of STL's Input/Output library, providing console output through **cout**.

template<>



- In C++ template <> keyword is used for both Metaprograming and Generic Programing.
- **Programming**: Writing a program that creates, transforms, filters, aggregates and otherwise manipulates data.
- Metaprogramming: Writing a program that creates, transforms, filters, aggregates and otherwise manipulates programs.
- Generic Programming: Writing a program that creates, transforms, filters, aggregates and otherwise manipulates data, but makes only the minimum assumptions about the structure of the data, thus maximizing reuse across a wide range of datatypes.

 https://stackoverflow.com/a/3937852



In C++, *Metaprogramming* could happen both at compile time and run time, while *Generic Programing* is a compile time procedure.

Generic Programming



C++ offers generic programming with template parameters

template <GenericParameterList> Declaration

- **template** provides developers with the opportunity of implementing algorithms or defining objects in classes independent of data types.
- Compilers, depending on whether the function is used and what actual data types has substituted the generic parameters, will generate the necessary code, this procedure is called instantiation of a template and has nothing to do with objects. Each instantiation is called a specializing of that template for that specific type.
- Although, autogenerated code by the compiler raises some concerns, yet templates are very popular specially for implementing libraries, frameworks, and/or SDKs. It is a favorite choice for huge code bases as well due to the reusability and flexibility it provides. Specialization of a template could happen explicitly by the developer as well, to avoid code generation by the compiler.

"Generic programming is a style of computer programming in which algorithms are written in terms of types to-be-specified-later that are then instantiated when needed for specific types provided as parameters." https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Generic programming

Templates



- There are two main types of templates:
 - Function templates:
 - Declared as below:

```
template <class GenericType,...> FunctionSignature;
template <typename GenericType,...> FunctionSignature;
```

Invoked using the actual (concrete) type(s):
 FunctionName <ActualTypes> (InputParameters);

- Class templates:
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• Instantiated using the actual (concrete) type(s):

ClassName <ActualTypes> VariableName (InputParameters);

- There are other uses of templates which are out of the scope of this course. Those are: Variable templates, Variadic template, and template aliases.
- Both class and typename provide the exact same functionalities in templateparameter. There are some special scenarios where these keywords have specific usages, such as dependent types: https://stackoverflow.com/ques tions/2023977/difference-ofkeywords-typename-and-class-<u>in-templates</u>

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```
template <typename T1, class T2>
bool isBigger (T1 const& a, T2 const& b) {
   return a > b ? true : false;
}
```

- The syntax for conditional ternary operator is as follows condition ? Result1: Result2;
- Conditional Ternary Operator evaluates a condition and returns Result1 if the condition holds; otherwise, it returns Result2.

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• If the type does not provide the implantation specified in the template function, the compiler will generate compilation error and terminates.



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VariableName(InputParameters);
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- Fundamental datatypes could be used as template parameters as well; the actual value of the fundamental datatypes should be provided upon declaring the template type (class).
- Type deduction cannot happen for classes and the actual types should be explicitly defined. In some very rare cases, the constructor of the class could receive the type of the template argument and then some compiler could deduce the types.

```
template <typename T, size_t SIZE>
class Container {
    public:
        bool add (const T & element, size t i) {
            if ( i > SIZE) return false;
            else {
                Data[ i] = element;
                return true;
        T fetch(size t i) {
            T ret;
            if ( i < SIZE) ret = Data[ i];</pre>
            return ret;
        ~Container() {
            delete [] Data;
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```
int main() {
    std::cout << std::boolalpha;
    Container<int,10> intContaier_10;
    for (size_t i = 0; i < 10; i++)
        intContaier_10.add(i,(i+3)*100);
    std::cout << intContaier_10.add(100,100) << false ndl;
    std::cout << intContaier_10.fetch(2) << std 500
    std::cout << intContaier_10.fetch(20) << st(32652);
    std::cout << intContaier_10.add("TEXT",1) << std::endl;
    return 0;
}</pre>
```

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            else {
                 Data[ i] = element;
                 return true;
                                 Uniform initialization
        T fetch(size t i) {
                                 ensures invocation
                                 of the constructor.
            T ret{};
            if ( i < SIZE) ret = Data[ i];</pre>
            return ret;
        ~Container() {
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DEMO!





Function Template



```
template <typename T>
void sum(const T & a, const T & b) {
   Tc = a + b;
   std::cout << c << std::endl;</pre>
struct A {
   A() = default;
   A(const int & a, const int & b):a( a),b( b){}
   int a,b;
 operator +(const A & o, const A & f) {
   return A(f.a + o.a, f.b + o.b);
std::ostream& operator<<(std::ostream & os,const A & m)</pre>
    return os << m.a << " " << m.b;
```

```
struct C {
    int a;
    std::string s;
    C():a(-2),s("Initialized!"){}
};
template<>
void sum<C>(const C & a, const C & b) {
    std::cout << "Nothing to see here!" << std::endl;</pre>
int main() {
    sum<>(2.02,1.89);
    sum<int> (12,12);
    sum<std::string> ("Hello ", "World!");
    sum < A > (A(2,3),A(1,4));
    sum<C>(C(),C());
    return 0;
```

```
template <typename T, size t SIZE = 2>
class Container {
   public:
       bool add (const T & element, size t i) {
           bool ret = false;
          if ( i >= SIZE);
           else {
               Data[ i] = element;
               ret = true;
           return ret;
       T fetch(size t _i) {
           T ret{};
           if ( i < SIZE) ret = Data[ i];</pre>
           return ret;
       ~Container() {delete [] Data;}
   private:
       T *Data = new T[SIZE];
```

```
if (_i > SIZE) return false;
else {
```

```
template <>
class Container<char> {
   public:
       bool add (const char * e) {
           Data+= e;
       bool add (const char & e) {
           Data+= e;
       const char *fetch(size t from, size t to) {
           std::string ret = "";
           if ( from > Data.length() || to > Data.length() || from > to);
           else {
               ret = Data.substr( from, to);
           return ret.c str();
       char fetch(size t i) {
           char ret = 0x00;
           if ( i < Data.length()) ret = Data[ i];</pre>
           return ret;
   private:
       std::string Data;
```

```
Container<int> intPair;
Container<char> charContainer;
Container<int,5> intContainer;
charContainer.add("Hello World!");
for (size_t i = 0; intPair.add( i+((i+1)*10), i); i++) {
```

std::vector



placeholder type specifiers (since C++11)

For variables, specifies that the type of the variable that is being declared will be automatically deduced from its initializer.

For functions, specifies that the return type will be deduced from its return statements. (since C++14)

For non-type template parameters, specifies that the type will be deduced from the argument. (since C++17)

https://en.cppreference.com/w/cpp/language/auto

```
int main() {
    std::vector< std::vector<int> > v;
    std::vector<int> a,b = \{-5,-4,-3,-2,-1,0,1\};
    a.insert(a.begin(),b.cbegin(),b.cbegin()+4);
    b.pop back();
    v.push back(a);
    v.push back(b);
    v[0].push back(11);
    v[1][2] = 13;
    for (std::vector<int> e: v) {
        std::cout << ">>> ";
        for (auto i = e.cbegin(); i < e.cend(); i ++)
            std::cout << *i << " ":
        std::cout << std::endl;</pre>
    return 0;
```

Assignment 1



• Write a function template which receives two of any *shapes* from last week's assignment, compares them, and prints out the result.

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std::[container]



- STL's containers library is a collection of headers providing different types of "storages in RAM" to collect data or objects -- In computer science these are known as data structure.
- These containers are classified as follows:
 - Sequence Containers
 - Container Adaptors
 - Associative Containers
 - Ordered
 - Unordered

- Containers perform memory management themselves, thus, unlike C-Style arrays, some of them could have varying size.
- Containers provide member functions for basic functionalities such as Traversing, Searching, Insertion, Deletion, Sorting, Merging
- The program interaction with the data decides which container (structre) to use to store data e.g. How frequent data is going to be accessed what not

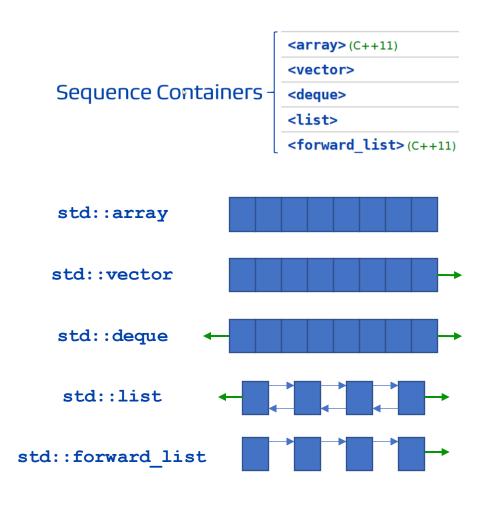
Containers library

Sequence Containers -	<array> (C++11)</array>	std::array container		
	<vector></vector>	std::vector container		
	<deque></deque>	std::deque container		
		std::list container		
	<forward_list>(C++11)</forward_list>	std::forward_list container		
Associative Containers -	<set></set>	std::set and std::multiset associative containers		
	<map></map>	std::map and std::multimap associative containers		
	<pre><unordered_set>(C++11)</unordered_set></pre>	<pre>std::unordered_set and std::unordered_multiset unordered associative containers</pre>		
	<pre><unordered_map>(C++11)</unordered_map></pre>	<pre>std::unordered_map and std::unordered_multimap unordered associative containers</pre>		
Container Adaptors	<stack></stack>	std::stack container adaptor		
	<queue></queue>	std::queue and std::priority_queue container adaptors		
	 (C++20)	std::span view		

Sequence Containers



- Data structures which could be accessed sequentially:
 - array: Fixed-size linear sequence container.
 - **vector**: Flexible-size linear seuquence container.
 - **deque** [dɛk]: Double ended queue.
 - list: Doubly-linked list.
 - forward list: Forward List: Linked list.
 - Arrays and Vectors are guaranteed to be stored in contiguous storage locations. This provides access through pointer like classic arrays.
 - Lists provide super fast constant time i.e. O(1), insertion and deletion of their elements.

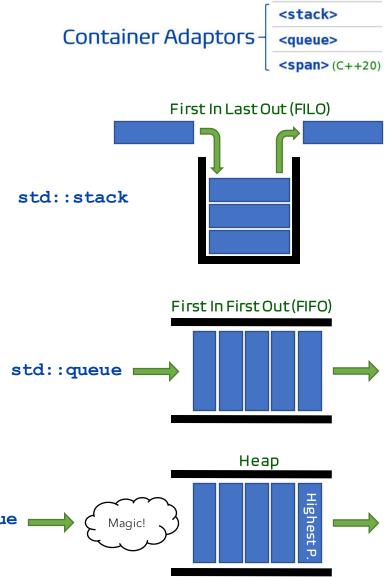


"[...] use std::vector for everything unless you have a real reason to do otherwise. When you find a case where you're thinking, "Gee, std::vector doesn't work well here because of X", go on the basis of X." https://stackoverflow.com/a/473572

Container Adaptors



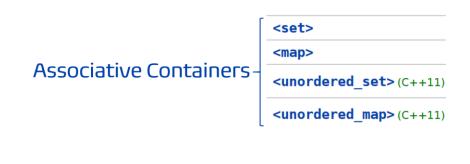
- Wrappers for sequential containers with different interfaces:
 - **stack**: First element *push*ed to the stack is the last to *pop* (FILO), or the last element which was **push**ed is the first to **pop**(LIFO).
 - queue: First element *enqueue*d is the first to be *dequeue*d, or the last enqueued element is the last to be dequeued.
 - priority queue: The element placed in the *top* of priority queue (root) is always the element with the hightest priority. Everytime an element is *push*ed to the queue or the *front* element is *pop*ed, the new root (top element) is the element with the highest priority.
 - span: An object which referes to a contiguous sequence of objects. It could be conceptualized as a subset of a sequence container, with its own begining point and endpoint.
 - Priority Queues are usually implemented in tree structure data types. Heap implemented based on a binary tree, is an efficient implementation of a priority queue.

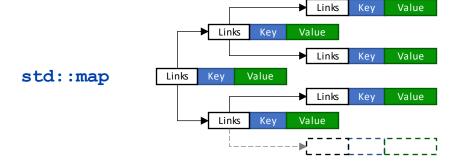


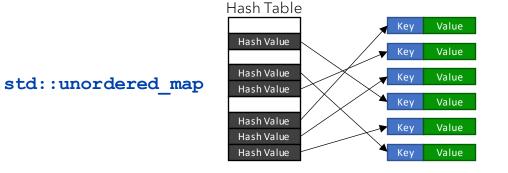
Associative Container



- Containers suitable for lookups:
 - map: collection of key-value pairs a.k.a. dictionary. Elements are sorted by keys and stored in a balanced binary tree datastructure; hence lookup is reasonably fast i.e. O(log(n)), yet worst case insertion have the same complexity.
 - unordered_map: collection of key-value pairs, and a hash table of the keys which links to corresponding element; hence lookup and insertion takes as long as a hashing the key i.e. *O(1)*.
- Hash functions are one-way functions, which *digest* an input from a *large domain* into a smaller *codomain*.
- **set** is *similar* as **map**; it only stores keys with no values.
- In **multimap** and **multiset** allow keys are not unique they allow for multiple keys.

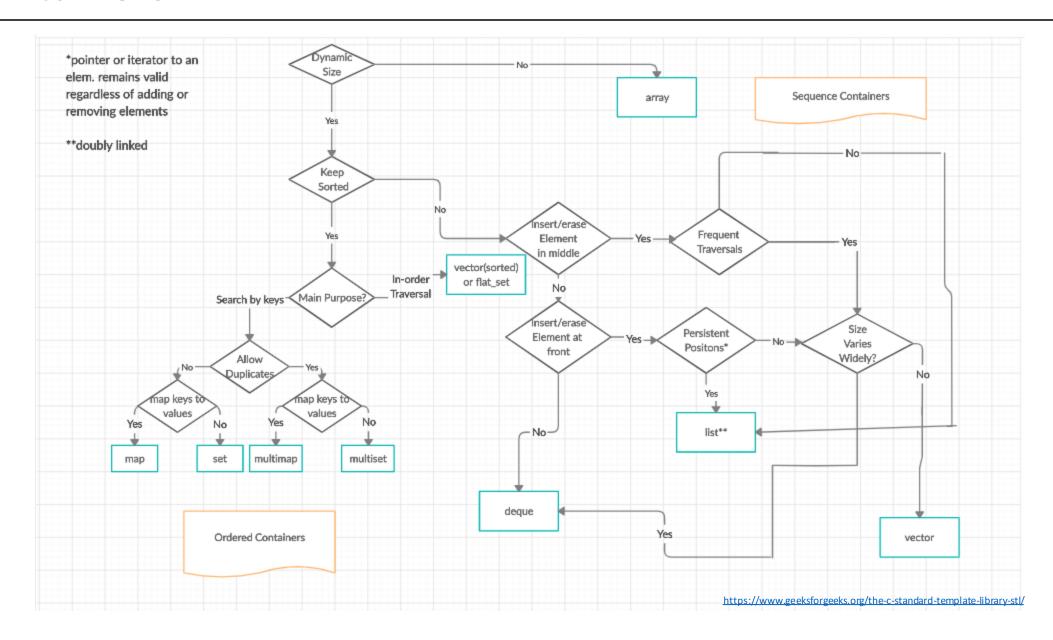


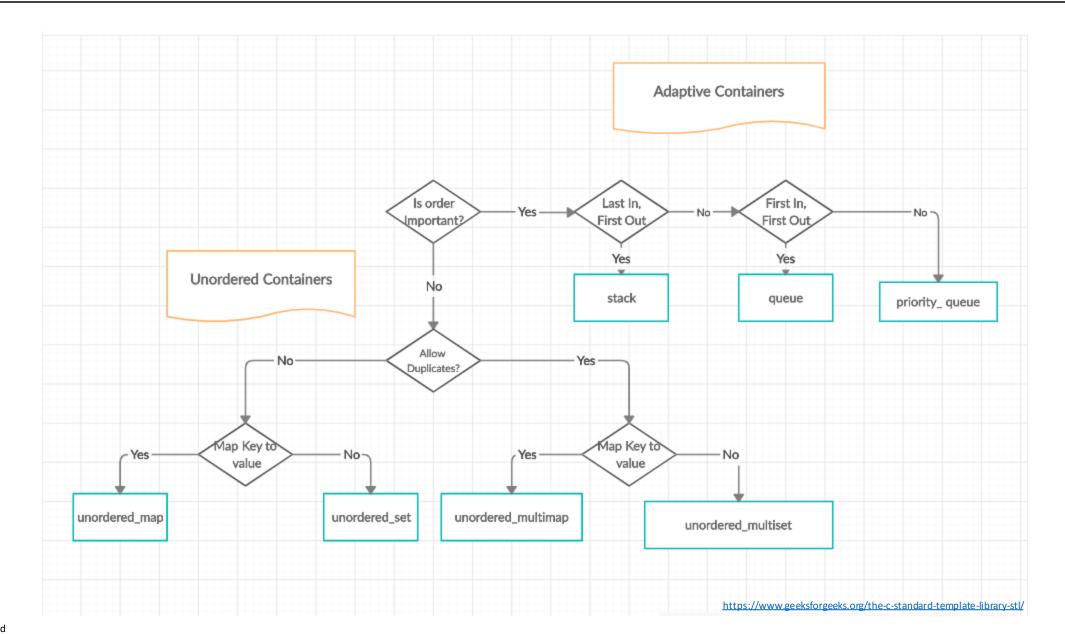




Containers





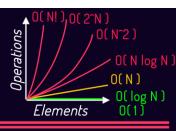


Cheat Sheet!





BIG-O CHEATSHEET



DATA STRUCTURE OPERATIONS	.5			TIME C	Complexity			P	SPACE Complexity	ARRAY SORTII ALGORITHMS	٧G	TIME Comp
OI LIMITONS		Ave	erage				W	orst		ALUUKITIINS		TIME Comp
	Access	Search	Insertion	Deletion	Access	Search	Insertion	Deletion		_	Best	Average
A	0(1)	O(N)	O(N)	O(N)	0(1)	O(N)	O(N)	O(N)	O(N)	Quicksort	O(N log N)	0(N log N)
Array Stack	O(N)	O(N)	0(1)	0(1)	O(N)	O(N)	0(1)	0(1)	O(N)	Mergesort	O(N log N)	0(N log N)
Queue	O(N)	O(N)	0(1)	0(1)	O(N)	O(N)	0(1)	0(1)	O(N)	Timsort	O(N)	0(N log N)
Singly-Linked List	O(N)	O(N)	0(1)	0(1)	O(N)	O(N)	0(1)	0(1)	O(N)	Heapsort	0(N log N)	0(N log N)
Doubly-Linked List	O(N)	O(N)	0(1)	0(1)	O(N)	O(N)	0(1)	0(1)	O(N)	Bubble Sort	O(N)	O(N^2)
Skip List	O(log N)	O(log N)	0(log N)	O(log N)	O(N)	O(N)	O(N)	O(N)	O(N log N)	Insertion Sort	O(N)	O(N^2)
Hash Table	N/A	0(1)	0(1)	0(1)	N/A	O(N)	O(N)	O(N)	O(N)	Selection Sort	O(N^2)	O(N^2)
B-Tree	O(log N)	O(log N)	O(log N)	O(log N)	O(N)	O(N)	O(N)	O(N)	O(N)	Tree Sort	O(N log N)	0(N log N)
Cartesian Tree	N/A	O(log N)	•		N/A	O(N)	O(N)	O(N)	O(N)	Shell Sort	O(N log N)	0(N*(log N)^2
B+ Tree		O(log N)		O(log N)	•	0(log N)	O(log N)	O(log N)	O(N)	Bucket Sort	O(N+k)	0(N+k)
Red-Black Tree	0	O(log N)	•	O(log N)	•	•	O(log N)	O(log N)	O(N)	Radix Sort	0(Nk)	0(Nk)
Splay Tree	N/A	0(log N)	•	O(log N)	N/A		0(log N)	0(log N)	O(N)	Counting sort	O(N+k)	O(N+k)
AVL Tree KD Tree	•	O(log N) O(log N)	O(log N)	O(log N) O(log N)	O(log N) O(N)	O(N) O(N)	Cubesort	O(N)	0(N log N)			

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Mergesort	O(N log N)	0(N log N)	O(N log N)	O(N)
Timsort	O(N)	O(N log N)	O(N log N)	0(1)
Heapsort	O(N log N)	O(N log N)	O(N log N)	0(1)
Bubble Sort	O(N)	O(N^2)	O(N^2)	0(1)
Insertion Sort	O(N)	O(N^2)	O(N^2)	0(1)
Selection Sort	O(N^2)	O(N^2)	O(N^2)	0(1)
Tree Sort	O(N log N)	O(N log N)	O(N^2)	O(N)
Shell Sort	O(N log N)	O(N*(log N)^2)	O(N*(log N)^2)	0(1)
Bucket Sort	O(N+k)	0(N+k)	O(N^2)	O(N)
Radix Sort	O(Nk)	O(Nk)	0(Nk)	O(N+k)
Counting sort	O(N+k)	0(N+k)	O(N+k)	0(k)
Cubesort	O(N)	O(N log N)	O(N log N)	O(N)

https://imgur.com/gallerv/EZZngZl

std::*fstream



- STL's Input/Output (IO) library includes iostream :
 - std::ofstream: Output writes on file
 - std::ifstream:Inputs reads from file
 - std::fstream: File Stream reads/write
 - Files must be closed before the application terminates.

Mode	Description		
ios::in	Open for input operations.		
ios::out	Open for output operations.		
ios::binary	Open in binary mode.		
ios::ate	Set the initial position at the end of the file if not set, the initial position is the beginning of the file.		
ios::app	Appending mode.		
ios::trunc	Truncating mode.		

```
std::fstream file;
file.open("example.text", std::fstream::in | std::fstream::out | std::fstream::trunc);
file.write("Awsome\n",7);
file << "Easy way!" << std::endl;
char a[30];
file.read(a,30);
file.close();</pre>
```

DEMO!





std::map



```
#include <map>
#include <iostream>
struct Point {
    double longi, latti;
    Point() = default;
    Point(const double &a, const double &b):longi(a),latti(b){}
int main() {
    std::map<std::string, Point> myFavoritePlaces;
    myFavoritePlaces["Gym"] = Point(56.435345,10.921311);
    auto work = std::make pair<std::string,Point>("ALTEN",Point(57.706170, 11.944811));
    myFavoritePlaces.insert(work);
    myFavoritePlaces.insert(std::pair<std::string, Point>("Home",Point(55.43200,12.2331)));
    for (auto &e: myFavoritePlaces) {
        std::cout << e.first << " is located at longitude: " <<</pre>
                     e.second.longi << " latitude:" << e.second.latti << std::endl;</pre>
    return 0;
```

Sensitivity: C2-Restricted

std::fstream



Functions to move the File Pointer

seekg()	Moves get_pointer(input pointer) to a specified location.
seekp()	Moves put_pointer(output pointer) to a specified location.
tellg()	Gives the current position to the get_pointer
tellp()	Gives the current position to the put_pointer

#include <fstream> #include <iostream> int main() { std::fstream input, output; input.open("input.txt",std::fstream::in); if (!input.is open()) { std::cout << "Input file is not open." << std::endl;</pre> return 0; std::string line; std::getline(input,line); std::streampos index = input.tellg(); input.seekg(0,std::ios::end); std::streampos size = input.tellq() - index; std::cout << input.tellg()<< " "<< index<< " "<<size << std::endl;</pre> input.seekg(index); char *restOfTheFile = new char[size]; input.read(restOfTheFile, size); output.open("output.txt",std::fstream::out | std::fstream::trunc); output << line;</pre> output.write(restOfTheFile, size); output.close(); input.close(); return 0;

Assignment 2



• Generate random numbers between 0-33, ten thousand times, then print how many duplicates of each number you have generated -- print in ascending order.

• Hint: results should be stored in ascending order in your container.

Assignment 3



• We want to generate 1024 random integers, then given a *new* random number; find two integers which are the closest to the given number (smaller, and bigger) with less than twelve lookups.

• Create *a sorted* container and populate it, then pick a random integer and look for the *boundaries* – implement your own logarithmic search if you are in the mood for it ©

Bonus



• Write a program which receives the name of two text files as input argument. The program shall count the number of occurrences of the words of the first file, in the second file, and then print the result at the end of the second file.

Hint: Google C++ strings tokenization!