

# Vector

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**Disadvantage of Array?** : We can not change the size of Array during runtime.

In C++, the Vector data structure is preferred over Arrays due to its **Dynamic memory allocation**.

Unlike Arrays, **Vectors allow us to change their size during runtime, providing flexibility**.

Additionally, Vectors come with built-in functions that are helpful for tasks such as inserting and sorting data efficiently.

Note: **Vector library file is required for using vector datatype.**

**Code:**

```
#include<iostream>
#include <bits/stdc++.h>
#include<vector>                //Vector library required

using namespace std;

int main()
{
    //-----
    //Creating vector with "int" datatype and name "v".
    vector<int> v; //No memory (byte) allocation during creation
    cout << "Size of vector v = "<<v.size() << endl;
    //-----

    //-----
    //insert elemnts during runtime
    v.push_back(1);           //Element with value "1" push at the end of vector
    v.push_back(2);           //Element with value "2" push at the end of vector
    v.push_back(3);           //Element with value "3" push at the end of vector
    //-----

    //-----
    //print size after new elements
    cout << "Size of integer = " << sizeof(int) << endl;
    cout << "New Size of vector v (In terms of element) = "<<v.size() << endl;
    //Here siz means number of elemnts
    //-----

    //-----
    //print vector
    for(int a =0; a < v.size(); a++)
    {
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        //Access of element just like array
        cout << v[a] << endl;           //Print vector individual element value
    }
    //-----

    //-----
    //Another way of accessing elements using iterator
    //An iterator is an object (like a pointer) that points to an element inside the container. We
    can use iterators to move through the contents of the container
    cout << endl << "Access using iterator " << endl;
    vector<int> :: iterator itr; //create iterator (Pointer to point element of vector type)
    for(itr = v.begin(); itr != v.end(); itr++)
    {
        cout << *itr << endl;           //Access using iterator
    }
    //-----

    //-----
    //Remove elements for vector
    v.pop_back(); //Last element and its memory now removed from vector v
    cout << endl << "After popping last element from vector new data = " << endl;
    for(itr = v.begin(); itr != v.end(); itr++)
    {
        cout << *itr << endl;           //Access using iterator
    }
    //-----

    //-----
    //Swap two vector elements
    //Syntax vector_name(size,value)
    vector<int> v2(3,12); //Vector v2 with size=3 and all element with value 12
    cout << endl << "Vector with size 3 and value 12 of all elements" << endl;
    vector<int> :: iterator itr2;
    for(itr2 = v2.begin(); itr2 != v2.end(); itr2++)
    {
        cout << *itr2 << endl;
    }

    //Swap
    swap(v,v2);
    //After swapping print both vector
    cout << endl << "After swapping V1: " << endl;
    for(itr2 = v.begin(); itr2 != v.end(); itr2++)
    {
        cout << *itr2 << endl;
    }

    cout << endl << "After swapping V2: " << endl;
    for(itr2 = v2.begin(); itr2 != v2.end(); itr2++)
    {
        cout << *itr2 << endl;
    }

```

```

//-----

//-----
//Change the elements of vector
//This way you can only allocate value whose memory already allocated, v[3] = x will not
work here
v[0] = 15;
v[1] = 11;
v[2] = 13;

//Ascending order sorting
sort(v.begin(),v.end());
cout<<endl <<"After sorting in v2: "<<endl;
for(itr2 = v.begin();itr2 != v.end(); itr2++)
{
    cout << *itr2 << endl;
}
//-----
return 0;
}

```

**OUTPUT:**

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```
Size of vector v = 0
Size of integer = 4
New Size of vector v (In terms of element) = 3
1
2
3

Access using iterator
1
2
3

After popping last element from vector new data =
1
2

Vector with size 3 and value 12 of all elements
12
12
12

After swapping V1:
12
12
12

After swapping V2:
1
2

After sorting in v2:
11
13
15

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Process exited after 0.04748 seconds with return value 0
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```

### Some other useful function:

1) `erase()` - To remove particular element / range of elements from vector container.

Example : `v.erase(3)` //Delete element whose position is #3.

Example : `v.erase(start_pos,end_pos)` // Deletion in range

**NOTE:** Because of dynamic memory allocation used in vector concept, need to remove allocated memory after completion of usage of vector. Otherwise lead to Heap flow during creating any of new vector.

`v.clear()` = Remove all elements from vector container

Example:

```
v.clear();
if(v.empty())
{
    cout << " \n Vector is empty ";
}
```

Example 2:

```
while(!v.empty())
{
    v.pop_back();
}
if(v.empty())
{
    cout << " \n Vector is empty ";
}
```