C++ Software Engineering

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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					

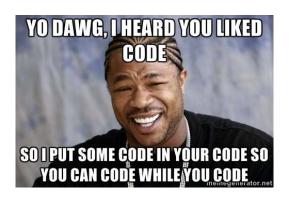
Utilities library	
<cstdlib></cstdlib>	General purpose utilities: program control, dynamic memory allocation random numbers, sort and search
<csignal></csignal>	Functions and macro constants for signal management
<csetjmp></csetjmp>	Macro (and function) that saves (and jumps) to an execution context
<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: <u>https://en.cppreference.com/w/cpp/header</u>
- <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.



• 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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```
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 same functionalities in templateparameter. There are some special scenarios where these keywords have specific usages, dependent types: such as https://stackoverflow.com/ques tions/2023977/difference-ofkeywords-typename-and-classin-templates

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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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 Compiler will try to deduce the types automatically wherever needed, as good as it could.

```
int main() {
    std::cout << std::boolalpha;

true
false
false
true
std::cout << isBigger<float, int>(100.22,100) << std::endl;

true
std::cout << isBigger<int>(100.22,100) << std::endl;

true
std::cout << isBigger<int,char>(100.22,'a') << std::endl;

true
std::cout << isBigger<("HelloWord","GoodByeWorld") << std::endl;

true
std::cout << isBigger<char[10],char[10]>("abcdeasdf","aasdbcdef") << std::endl;

false
std::cout << isBigger<std::string,std::string>("abcdeasdf","absdbcdef") << std::endl;

return 0;
}</pre>
```

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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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- 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;
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    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;
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                 return true;
                                 Uniform initialization
        T fetch(size t i) {
                                  ensures invocation
                                  of the constructor.
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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

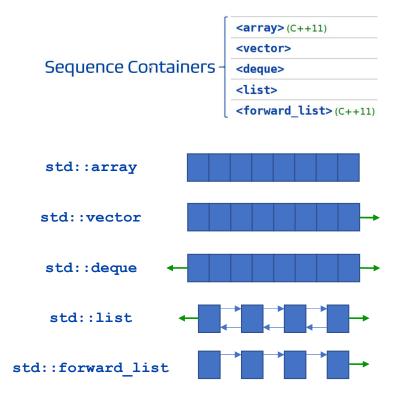
Containers library

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 seuguence container.
 - deque [dεk]: 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.

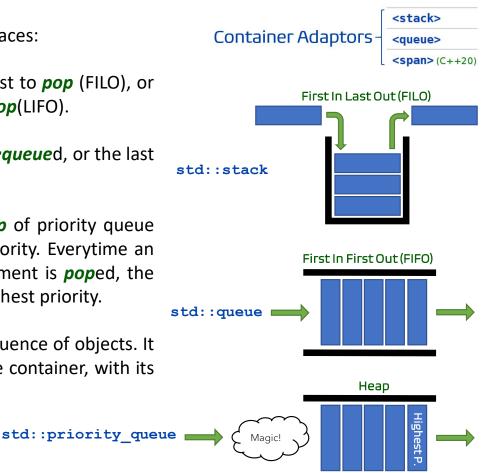


"[...] use std::vector for everything unless you have a real reason to do otherwise. When you find a case where you're thinking, "Gee, std::vector doesn't work well here because of X", go on the basis of X." https://stackoverflow.com/a/473572

Container Adaptors



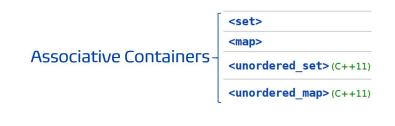
- Wrappers for sequential containers with different interfaces:
 - stack: First element *push*ed to the stack is the last to *pop* (FILO), or the last element which was *push*ed is the first to *pop*(LIFO).
 - queue: First element *enqueue*d is the first to be *dequeue*d, or the last *enqueue*d element is the last to be *dequeue*d.
 - priority_queue: The element placed in the top of priority queue (root) is always the element with the hightest priority. Everytime an element is pushed to the queue or the front element is poped, 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 beginning 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.

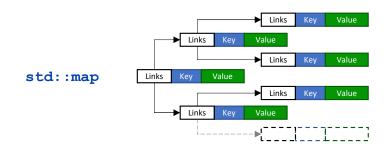


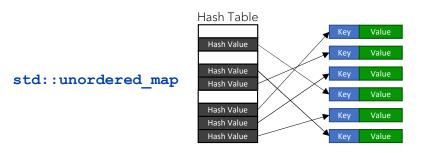
Associative Container



- 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.

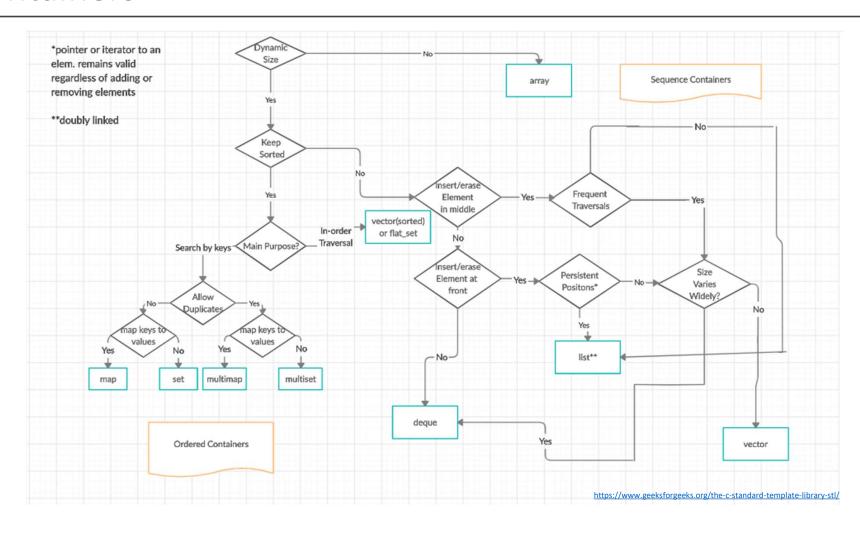






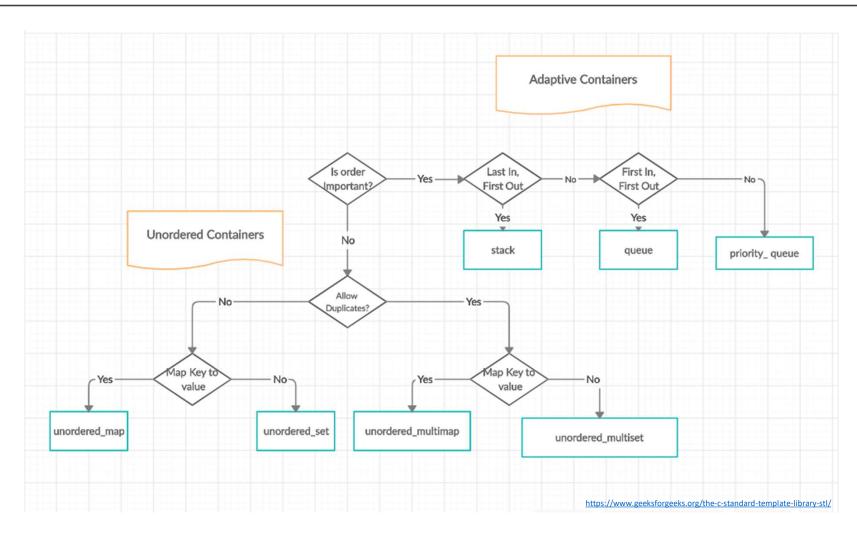
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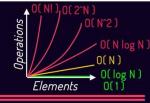


Cheat Sheet!





BIG-O CHEATSHEET



DATA STRUCTURES OPERATIONS		TIME Complexity					9	SPACE Complexity	ARRAY SORTING ALGORITHMS		(TIME Complexity		SPACE Complexity	
_	Average				Worst									
	Access	Search	Insertion	Deletion	Access	Search	Insertion	Deletion			Best	Average	Worst	Worst
A	0(1)	O(N)	O(N)	O(N)	0(1)	O(N)	O(N)	O(N)	O(N)	Quicksort	O(N log N)	O(N log N)	O(N^2)	O(log N)
Array Stack	O(N)	O(N)	O(N) O(1)	0(N) 0(1)	O(N)	O(N)	O(N) O(1)	0(1)	O(N)	Mergesort	O(N log N)	O(N log N)	O(N log N)	O(N)
Queue	O(N)	O(N)	0(1)	0(1)	O(N)	O(N)	0(1)	0(1)	O(N)	Timsort	O(N)	O(N log N)	O(N log N)	0(1)
Singly-Linked List	O(N)	O(N)	0(1)	0(1)	O(N)	O(N)	0(1)	0(1)	O(N)	Heapsort	O(N log N)	O(N log N)	O(N log N)	0(1)
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)	O(N^2)	0(1)
Skip List		O(log N)	O(log N)	O(log N)	O(N)	O(N)	O(N)	O(N)	O(N log N)	Insertion Sort	O(N)	O(N^2)	O(N-2)	0(1)
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)	O(N^2)	0(1)
	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)	O(N log N)	O(N^2)	O(N)
Cartesian Tree	N/A	O(log N)		O(log N)	N/A	O(N)	O(N)	O(N)	O(N)	Shell Sort	O(N log N)	O(N*(log N)^2)	O(N*(log N)^2)	0(1)
B+ Tree	O(log N)	O(log N)	O(log N)	O(log N)	O(log N)	O(log N)	O(log N)	O(log N)	O(N)	Bucket Sort	O(N+k)	O(N+k)	O(N^2)	O(N)
Red-Black Tree	O(log N)	O(log N)	O(log N)	O(log N)	O(log N)	0(log N)	O(log N)	0(log N)	O(N)	Radix Sort	0(Nk)	0(Nk)	0(Nk)	O(N+k)
Splay Tree	N/A	O(log N)	O(log N)	O(log N)	N/A	O(log N)	O(log N)	O(log N)	O(N)		0(N+k)	O(N+k)	O(N+k)	0(k)
AVL Tree	O(log N)	O(log N)	O(log N)	O(log N)	O(log N)	O(log N)	O(log N)	0(log N)		Counting sort				
KD Tree	O(log N)	O(log N)	O(log N)	O(log N)	O(N)	O(N)	O(N)	O(N)	O(N)	Cubesort	O(N)	O(N log N)	O(N log N)	O(N)

https://imgur.com/gallery/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!





Function Template

```
template <typename T>
void sum(const T &_a, const T &_b) {
    T c = _a + _b;
    std::cout << c << std::endl;
}
struct A {
    A() = default;
    A(const int &_a, const int &_b):a(_a),b(_b){}
    int a,b;
};
A 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) {
    return _os << _m.a << " " << _m.b;
}</pre>
```

```
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;
}

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;
            return true;
        }
        bool add (const char &_e) {
            Data+=_e;
            return true;
        }
        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];
            return ret;
        }
        private:
        std::string Data;
};</pre>
```

```
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;
}

return 0;
}</pre>
```

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;
```

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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

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```
#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.tellg() - 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;
   output.write(restOfTheFile, size);
   output.close();
   input.close();
   return 0;
```