

C++ STL

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Notation

- X → A container
- T → X::value_type
- K → X::key_type
- C → X::key_compare
- p → Iterators to a.
- p1, p2 → Iterator rng to a.
- i, i2, i3 → Integral index
- NTS → Null term string
- o1, o2, o3 → Random objects
- pU → 1 arg predicate
- fU → 1 arg function
- CMP → Binary compare (-1 for <, 0 for ==, 1 for >)
- n, n1, n2 → Object of type X::size_type
- a, b → Objects of type X
- t → Object of type T
- k → Object of type K
- c → Object of type C
- q → Iterators to b.
- q1, q2 → Iterator rng to b.
- ch → A char (charT)
- st → Simple string
- N → Number of elements
- bU → binary predicate

Basic Attributes

- Assignable: o1 = o2 is a valid expression
- Default Constructible: A no-arg constructor exists
- Equality Comparable: o1 == o2 is a valid boolean-like expression
 - Derived operator: o1 != o2 equivalent to !(o1 == o2)
 - Invariants:
 - Identity: &o1==&o2 ⇒ o1==o2
 - Reflexivity: o1 == o2
 - Symmetry: o1==o2 ⇔ o2==o1
 - Transitivity: o1==o2 && o2==o3 ⇒ o1==o3
- LessThan Comparable: o1 < o2 is a valid boolean-like expression
 - Derived binary operators:
 - o1 > o2 equivalent to (o2 < o1)
 - o1 <= o2 equivalent to !(o2 < o1)
 - o1 >= o2 equivalent to !(o1 < o2)
 - Invariants:
 - Irreflexivity: o1 < o2 must be false
 - Antisymmetry: o1 < o2 ⇒ !(o2 < o1)
 - Transitivity: o1 < o2 && o2 < o3 ⇒ o1 < o3

Container

- X: X::allocator_type K: X::value_type K: X::difference_type
- X: X::iterator K: X::const_iterator K: X::size_type
- X: X::pointer K: X::const_pointer
- X: X::reference K: X::const_reference
- G: X(b) → Copy all elements from b. O(b.size())
- E: a.begin() → O(1) E: a.end() → O(1)
- E: a.size() → O(N) E: a.max_size() → O(N)
- E: a.empty() → O(1) E: a.swap(b) → O(N)

Forward Container

- If T is Equality Comparable, then X is too (elementwise, O(N)). Note: a==b ⇒ (a.size()==b.size())
- If T is LessThan Comparable, then X is too (elementwise, O(N)). Note: a < b == lexicographical_compare(a,b).
- Iterators for X are Forward Iterators.

Reversible Container

- K: reverse_iterator K: const_reverse_iterator
- E: a.rbegin() → same as X::reverse_iterator(a.end())
- E: a.rend() → same as X::reverse_iterator(a.begin())
- Iterators for X are Bidirectional Iterators.

Random Access Container

- E: a[n] → Access to element n, 0 <= n < N [reference if a is mutable]
- E: a.at(n) → Access to element at n.
- Iterators for X are Random Access Iterators

Sequence

- G: X(n, t) → Construct X with n copies of t O(n)
- G: X(q1, q2) → Copy range [q1, q2) into new object. O(q2-q1)
- E: a.front() → Same as *(a.first()) AO(1)
- E: a.insert(p, t) → Insert a copy of t before p.
- E: a.insert(p, n, t) → Insert n copies of t before p.
- E: a.insert(p, q1, q2) → Inserts stuff from [q1, q2) before p
- E: a.erase(p) → Erases element at p, returns ++p
- E: a.erase(p1, p2) → Erases [p1, p2). returns ++p
- E: a.clear() → Same as a.erase(a.begin(), a.end())
- E: a.resize(n, t=T()) → Resize adding copies of t if required

Front Insertion Sequence

- E: a.push_front(t) → same as a.insert(a.begin(), t) AO(1)
- E: a.pop_front() → same as a.erase(a.begin()). AO(1)

Back Insertion Sequence

- E: a.back() → same as *(--a.end()) AO(1)
- E: a.push_back(t) → same as a.insert(a.end(), t) AO(1)
- E: a.pop_back() → same as a.erase(--a.end()) AO(1)

Associative Container

- G: X(c) → Construct with c as compare
- G: X(q1, q2, c) → Copy from [q1, q2) and use c as compare
- K: key_type K: value_compare K: compare_type
- E: a.erase(k) → Destroy elements with key k (returns nothing)
- E: a.erase(p) → Destroy element at p (returns nothing) AO(1)
- E: a.erase(p1, p2) → Destroy elements in [p, q) (returns nothing)
- E: a.clear() → Same as a.erase(a.begin(), a.end())
- E: a.find(k) →
- E: a.count(k) → Return number of elements with key equal to k
- E: a.equal_range(k) →

Simple Associative Container

- X::key_type and X::value_type must be the same
- X::iterator is the same as X::const_iterator (i.e. not mutable)

Pair Associative Container

- K: X::mapped_type → Same as T K: X::value_type → pair<const Key, T>

Unique Associative Container

- No two elements can have equivalent key.
- Equality is based on the order for sorted UACs.

Sorted Associative Container

- K: X::key_compare K: X::value_compare
- E: a.lower_bound(k) Return iterator to first key not less than k. O(logN)
- E: a.upper_bound(k) Return iterator to first key greater less than k. O(logN)
- E: a.equal_range(k) Return pair(lower_bound(k), upper_bound(k)). O(logN)
- The keys must be LessThan Comparable.
- Iterators are bidirectional (ordered induced by key order)
- find and count members are O(logN)
- The keys are const -- (or at least no order changing modifications)

vector

- #include <vector>
- vector<typename T, typename Allocator=allocator<T> >
- E: a.capacity() → Return the current storage capacity. O(1)
- E: a.reserve(n) → Make space for n elements (invalidating iterators) O(N)
 - Insert at the end is AO(1), while insert beginning is AO(N).
 - Iterators can be invalidated by most any insert.
 - Element access is O(1).

deque (pronounced DECK)

- #include <deque>
- deque<typename T, typename Allocator=allocator<T> >
- Insert at the beginning or end is AO(1), others as bad as AO(N).
- Iterators can be invalidated by most any insert.
- Element access is O(1).

list

- #include <list>
- list<typename T, typename Allocator=allocator<T> >
- E: a.splice(p, &b)
- E: a.splice(p, &b, q)
- E: a.splice(p, &b, q1, q2)
- E: a.remove(t) → Remove all occurrences of t. O(N)
- E: a.remove_if(pU) → Remove if f(*i) is true
- E: a.unique() → Keep first element of equal subsequences
- E: a.unique(pB)
- E: a.merge(b)
- E: a.merge(b, pB)
- E: a.reverse() → Reverse the list. O(N)
- E: a.sort() → Sort the list. O(NlogN)
- E: a.sort(pB)
- Inserting an element ANYPLACE is O(1).
- Insertion and removal do not invalidate iterators.

set

- #include <set>
- set<Key, Compare=less<>, typename Allocator=allocator<T> >
- A map with, logically, key==value for every element.

map

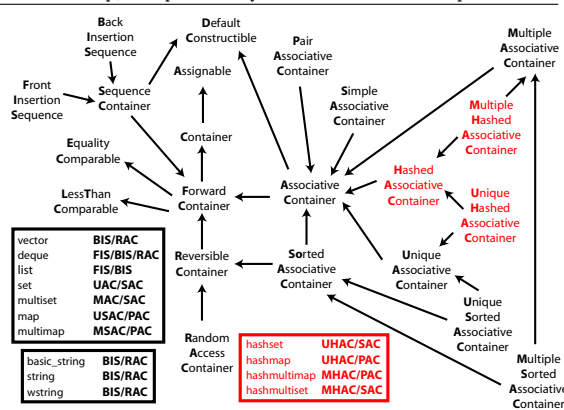
- #include <map>
- map<typename Key, typename T, Compare=less<>, typename Allocator=allocator<T> >
- E: a[k] → Access the reference to data part of elements. Insert pair(k,T()) if missing.
- Inserts do not invalidate iterators, pointers, or references.
- Element erasure invalidates iterators-like things pointing to the thing being eliminated.

multiset

- #include <multiset>
- multiset<typename Key, Compare=less<>, typename Allocator=allocator<T> >
- Just like a set, except that keys do not have to be unique.

multimap

- #include <multimap>
- map<typename Key, typename T, Compare=less<>, typename Allocator=allocator<T> >
- Just like a map, except that keys do not have to be unique.



stack (LIFO)

- #include <stack>
- stack<T, Container=deque<T> > -- Container adapter
- E: stack(X a=X()) → Copy content of a into stack O(a.size())
- K: value_type K: size_type K: container_type
- Mf: empty() →
- Mf: pop() → on back O(1) Mf: top() → the back O(1)
- Mf: push() → off back O(1)
- Mf: size() → This one can be O(1), but can be as bad as O(N)

priority queue

- #include <queue>
- priority_queue<T, Container=deque<T>, Compare=less<T> > -- Container adapter
- E: priority_queue(X a=X()) → Copy content of a into stack
- K: value_type K: size_type K: container_type
- Mf: empty() → O(1) Mf: top() → O(1)
- Mf: pop() → from back O(?) Mf: push() → sorted O(?)
- Mf: size() → This one can be O(1), but can be as bad as O(N)

queue (FIFO)

- queue<T, Container=deque<T> > -- Container adapter
- E: queue(X a=X()) → Copy content of a into stack O(a.size())
- K: value_type K: size_type K: container_type
- Mf: back() → O(1) Mf: empty() → O(1) Mf: top() → O(1)
- Mf: pop() → from back O(1) Mf: push() → on front O(1)
- Mf: size() → This one can be O(1), but can be as bad as O(N)

pair

- #include <utility>
- pair<K, T> -- Contain a pair of objects
- G: pair(k, t) G: pair() G: pair(pair<K,T>)
- K: first_type K: second_type
- Mf: first() Mf: second() Mf: make_pair(k, t)
- If K and T are equality comparable then so is the pair
- If K and T are LessThan comparable then so is the pair

Input Iterator

Expressions:

$\&: ++p$ \mapsto Preincrement
 $\&: (\text{void})p++$ \mapsto Postincrement
 $\&: *p++$ \mapsto Postincrement and dereference
 $\&: *p$ \mapsto dereference. Can't read any element more than once.
 $\&: p \rightarrow m$ \mapsto member access

Output Iterator

$\&: ++p$ \mapsto Preincrement
 $\&: (\text{void})p++$ \mapsto Postincrement
 $\&: *p=t$ \mapsto Dereference assignment. Only one time per element.

Forward Iterator

- Elements may be dereferenced multiple times and they can be assigned to (via a dereference assignment) multiple times.
- May be used any place an Output iterator or Input iterator can.

Bidirectional Iterator

$\&: p--$ \mapsto Postdecrement
 $\&: --p$ \mapsto Predecrement

Random Access Iterator

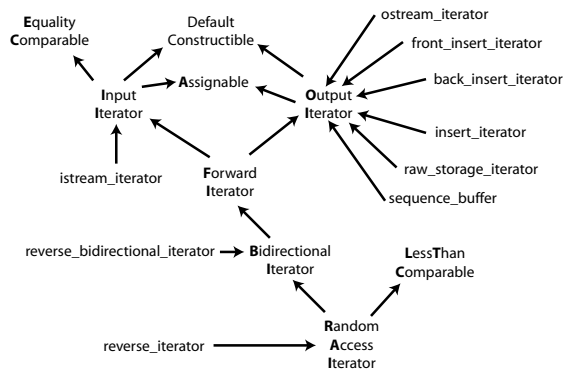
$\&: p += n$ \mapsto Increment n times
 $\&: p -= n$ \mapsto Decrement n times
 $\&: p+n$ \mapsto same as $p+n$ ($n+p$ is OK too)
 $\&: p-n$ \mapsto same as $p-n$
 $\&: p1 - p2$ \mapsto Returns integral distance
 $\&: p[n]$ \mapsto Get n-th value
 $\&: p[n]=t$ \mapsto Set the n-th value

- A pointer IS a random access iterator and may be used in just about any place a RAI can be used.

Iterator Adapters

- front_insert_iterator
- back_insert_iterator
- insert_iterator
- reverse_iterator
- reverse_bidirectional_iterator

Iterator Diagram



Algorithms: Non-modifying

\bar{M} : count(p1, p2, t) \mapsto Number of times in [p1, p2) element ==t
 \bar{M} : count_if(p1, p2, pU) \mapsto Number of times in [p1, p2) pU is true
 \bar{M} : for_each(p1, p2, fU) \mapsto Evaluates fU on each thing in [p1, p2)
 \bar{M} : find(p1, p2, t)
 \bar{M} : find_if(p1, p2, pB)
• (* \mapsto (o1, o2), (o1, o2, c) \bar{M} : min(*) \bar{M} : max(*)
 \bar{M} : min_element(*) \bar{M} : max_element(*)
• (* \mapsto (p1, p2, t), (p1, p2, t, c) \bar{M} : equal_reverse(*) \bar{M} : lower_bound(*) \bar{M} : upper_bound(*)
• (* \mapsto (p1, p2, q), (p1, p2, q, pB) \bar{M} : equal(*) \bar{M} : mismatch(*)
• (* \mapsto (p1, p2, q1, q2), (p1, p2, q1, q2, pB) \bar{M} : find_end(*) \bar{M} : find_first_of(*) \bar{M} : search(*)
• (* \mapsto (p1, p2), (p1, p2, pB) \bar{M} : adjacent_find(*)
• (* \mapsto (p1, p2, n, t), (p1, p2, n, pB) \bar{M} : search_n(*)
• (* \mapsto (p1, p2, t), (p1, p2, c) \bar{M} : binary_search(*)
• (* \mapsto (p1, p2, q1, q2), (p1, p2, q1, q2, c) \bar{M} : lexicographical_compare(*)

Algorithms: Modifying

• (* \mapsto (p1, p2, q) \bar{M} : copy(*) \bar{M} : copy_backward(*) \bar{M} : uninitialized_copy(*)
 \bar{M} : swap_ranges(*)
 \bar{M} : reverse_copy(*) \bar{M} : unique_copy(*)
• (* \mapsto (p1, p2) \bar{M} : stable_sort(*) \bar{M} : unique(*) \bar{M} : sort(*)
 \bar{M} : iter_swap(*) \bar{M} : random_shuffle(*) \bar{M} : reverse(*)
• (* \mapsto (p1, p2, pB) \bar{M} : partition(*) \bar{M} : unique(*) \bar{M} : stable_partition(*)
• (* \mapsto (p1, p2, c) \bar{M} : sort(*) \bar{M} : stable_sort(*)
• (* \mapsto (p1, p2, t) \bar{M} : fill \bar{M} : remove(*) \bar{M} : uninitialized_fill(*)
• (* \mapsto (p1, p2, pU, t) \bar{M} : replace_copy_if(*) \bar{M} : replace_if(*)
• (* \mapsto (first, middle, last), (first, middle, last, q) \bar{M} : rotate(*) \bar{M} : rotate_copy(*)
• (* \mapsto (p1, p2, q, unryOp), (p1, p2, p3, q, binOp) \bar{M} : transform(*) \bar{M} : transform(*)
• (* \mapsto (first, middle, last), (first, middle, last, c) \bar{M} : partial_sort(*)
 \bar{M} : partial_sort_copy(first, last, result_first, result_last)
 \bar{M} : partial_sort_copy(first, last, result_first, result_last, c)
 \bar{M} : remove_copy(p1, p2, q, t)
 \bar{M} : remove_copy_if(p1, p2, q, pU)
 \bar{M} : generate(p1, p2, gen)
 \bar{M} : generate_n(p1, n, gen)
 \bar{M} : fill_n(p1, n, t)
 \bar{M} : random_shuffle(p1, p2, rand)
 \bar{M} : remove_if(p1, p2, pU)
 \bar{M} : replace(p1, p2, old_val, new_val)
 \bar{M} : replace_copy(p1, p2, q, old_val, new_val)
 \bar{M} : unique_copy(p1, p2, q, pB)
 \bar{M} : uninitialized_copy(p1, n, t)

Algorithms: Set Stuff

• includes(p1, p2, q1, q2, c=less<>) \mapsto true if [q1,q2) is a subset of [p1, p2)
• (* \mapsto (p1, p2, q1, q2, w) (p1, p2, q1, q2, w, c) [output is placed at w]
 \bar{M} : set_difference \bar{M} : set_intersection
 \bar{M} : set_symmetric_difference \bar{M} : set_union

Algorithms: Random Stuff

• (* \mapsto (p1, p2, init_val), (p1, p2, init_val, binOp) \bar{M} : accumulate
• (* \mapsto (p1, p2, p3, init_val), (p1, p2, p3, init_val, binOp1, binOp2) \bar{M} : inner_product
• (* \mapsto (p1, p2, q), (p1, p2, q, binOp) \bar{M} : adjacent_difference \bar{M} : partial_sum
• (* \mapsto (p1, p2), (p1, p2, c) \bar{M} : next_permutation \bar{M} : prev_permutation
 \bar{M} : swapI(t1, t2)

Strings

• typedefs: • typedef basic_string<char> string
• typedef basic_string<wchar_t> wstring
• Strings are ALMOST containers!
• The string name behaves like a random access iterator
• Don't support pop_back, back, front
 $\&: a = o1$ \mapsto Construct out of o1 (a charT or NTS)
 $\&: a += o1$ \mapsto call append with o1 as argument
 $\&: a.c_str()$ \mapsto Return pointer null terminated, c-style, string
 $\&: a.data()$ \mapsto Return pointer array of charT (not null terminated)
 $M_f: \text{copy}(\text{charT}^* \text{dst}, n, \text{pos}=0)$ \mapsto Copy n chrs of a starting at pos to dst.
 $M_f: \text{length}()$ \mapsto returns size()
 $M_f: \text{reserve}(n=0)$
 $M_f: \text{resize}(n, \text{ch}=\text{charT}())$
• (* \mapsto (pos=0, n=npos) $M_f: \text{substr}(* M_f: \text{erase}(*$
• (* \mapsto (bs, pos=0), (nts, pos, n), (nts, pos=0), (ch, pos=0) $M_f: \text{find}(* M_f: \text{find_first_not_of}(* M_f: \text{find_first_of}(*$
 $M_f: \text{rfind}(* M_f: \text{find_last_not_of}(* M_f: \text{find_last_of}(*$
• (* \mapsto (bs), (bs, pos, n), (nts), (nts, n), (n, ch), (q1, q2) $M_f: \text{assign}(* M_f: \text{append}(*$
• (* \mapsto (pos1,n2,bs,pos2,n2), (pos1,n1,bs), (pos1,n1,nts), (pos1,n1,nts,n2), (pos1,n1,n2,ch) (p1,p2,q1,q2), (p1,p2,bs), (p1,p2,nts), (p1,p2,nts,n), (p1,p2,n,ch) $M_f: \text{replace}(*$
• (* \mapsto (pos, bs), (pos, bs, pos2, n), (pos, nts), (pos, nts, n), (pos, n, ch) $M_f: \text{insert}(*$
• (* \mapsto (bs), (pos1,n,bs), (nts), (pos1,n1,bs,pos2,n2), (pos1,n1,nts,n2), (pos1,n1,nts) $M_f: \text{compare}(*$