

## Preview

- ▣ What is STL?
- ▣ Iterator and Containers
- ▣ Vector Container
- ▣ Vector Container Members

## What is the Standard Template Library

- ▣ The Standard Template Library (STL) was developed by Alexander Stepanov and Meng Lee (1995) at HP.
- ▣ The **STL** is a fundamental part of the C++ which is defined as standard in the 1997.
- ▣ The **STL** is a collection C++ libraries that allow you to use several well known kinds of data structures (Stack, Queue, Linked List, Vector,...)without having to program them.

## What is the Standard Template Library

Library	Description
<vector>	A dynamic array
<list>	A randomly changing sequence of items
<stack>	A sequence of items with <b>pop</b> and <b>push</b> at one end only
<queue>	A Sequence of items with <b>pop</b> and <b>push</b> at opposite ends
<deque>	Double Ended Queue with pop and push at both ends
<bitset>	A subset of a fixed and small set of items
<set>	An unordered collection of items
<map>	An collection of pairs of items indexed by the first one

## What is the Standard Template Library

- ▣ The STL has been adopted as a standard by the ISO/IEC and ANSI.
- ▣ However current implementation of the STL are not totally portable.
- ▣ The concept of STL come from reusability
- ▣ Using STL, can save time and effort to develop a software.
- ▣ There are components of STL:
  - Containers
  - Iterators

## Iterators and Containers

### Containers

- ▣ A Container is a data structure that holds a number of object of the same type or class.
- ▣ Ex) **Lists, Vectors, Stacks, Queues**, etc are all **Containers**
- ▣ STL has been carefully designed so that each containers provides space for data

## Iterators and Containers

### Iterators

- ▣ Items in **Containers** are referred to be special objects called: *iterators*.
- ▣ **iterators** are generalization of pointers.

## Vector Container

- Vectors are a kind of **sequence containers** - like regular array, their elements stored in contiguous storage locations (that means elements can be accessed not only using iterators but also using offsets on regular pointers)
- Vector containers are implemented as **dynamic arrays** - unlike regular array, size of vector automatically being expanded and contracted

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## Vector Container

- Vector provide almost the same performance as array plus have ability to easily resized.
- Vector usually consume more memory than arrays in order to accommodate for extra storage space for future growth

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## Vector Container Member Function

<b>(constructor)</b>	Construct vector (public member function)
<b>(destructor)</b>	Vector destructor (public member function)
<b>operator=</b>	Copy vector content (public member function)
<b>Iterators:</b>	
<b>begin</b>	Return iterator to beginning (public member type)
<b>end</b>	Return iterator to end (public member function)
<b>rbegin</b>	Return reverse iterator to reverse beginning (public member function)
<b>rend</b>	Return reverse iterator to reverse end (public member function)
<b>Capacity:</b>	
<b>size</b>	Return size (public member function)
<b>max_size</b>	Return maximum size (public member function)
<b>resize</b>	Change size (public member function)
<b>capacity</b>	Return size of allocated storage capacity (public member function)
<b>empty</b>	Test whether vector is empty (public member function)
<b>reserve</b>	Request a change in capacity (public member function)

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## Vector Container Member Function

<b>Element access:</b>	
<b>operator[]</b>	Access element (public member function)
<b>at</b>	Access element (public member function)
<b>front</b>	Access first element (public member function)
<b>back</b>	Access last element (public member function)
<b>Modifiers:</b>	
<b>assign</b>	Assign vector content (public member function)
<b>push_back</b>	Add element at the end (public member function)
<b>pop_back</b>	Delete last element (public member function)
<b>insert</b>	Insert elements (public member function)
<b>erase</b>	Erase elements (public member function)
<b>swap</b>	Swap content (public member function)
<b>clear</b>	Clear content (public member function)
<b>Allocator:</b>	
<b>get_allocator</b>	Get allocator (public member function)

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```
// vector.cpp Testing Standard library vector class template
#include <iostream>
#include <vector>
using namespace std;

int main()
{
    const int SIZE = 100;
    vector< int > v, w;

    cout << "The initial size of v is: " << v.size() << endl;
    cout << "The initial capacity of v is: " << v.capacity() << endl;

    for (int i = 1; i <= SIZE; i++)
    {
        v.push_back(i);
        cout << "Now, the capacity of v becomes " << v.capacity() << endl;
        cout << "Now, the size of v becomes " << v.size() << endl << endl;
    }

    // using iterator for display element of vector
    cout << "Contents of vector v using iterator notation: ";
    vector< int >::iterator p1;
    for (p1=v.begin(); p1 != v.end(); p1++)
        cout << *p1 << " ";
    cout << endl << endl;

    // using reversed iterator for display element of vector
    cout << "Reversed contents of vector v using reverse_iterator notation: ";
    vector< int >::reverse_iterator p2;
    for (p2 = v.rbegin(); p2 != v.rend(); ++p2)
        cout << *p2 << " ";
    cout << endl;

    w = v; // use overloaded operator in vector STL;
    cout << "Contents of vector w using iterator notation: ";
    for (p1=w.begin(); p1 != w.end(); p1++)
        cout << *p1 << " ";

    cout << endl;
    return 0;
}
```

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```
// vector1.cpp Testing Standard library vector class template
#include <iostream>
#include <vector>
using namespace std;

template < class T >
void printVec(vector< T > &vec) {

template < class T >
void printVecRev(vector< T > &vec) {

int main()
{
    const int SIZE = 100;
    vector< int > v, w;

    cout << "The initial size of v is: " << v.size() << endl;
    cout << "The initial capacity of v is: " << v.capacity() << endl;

    for (int i = 1; i <= SIZE; i++)
    {
        v.push_back(i);
        cout << "Now, the capacity of v becomes " << v.capacity() << endl;
        cout << "Now, the size of v becomes " << v.size() << endl << endl;
    }

    // using iterator for display element of vector
    cout << "Contents of vector v using iterator notation: ";
    printVec(v);

    // using reversed iterator for display element of vector
    cout << "Reversed contents of vector v using reverse_iterator notation: ";
    printVecRev(v);

    w = v; // use overloaded operator in vector STL;
    cout << "Contents of vector w using iterator notation: ";
    printVec(w);

    return 0;
}
```

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## Vector Container Member Function

```
template < class T >
void printVec(vector< T > &vec )
{
    vector<int>::iterator p;
    for ( p = vec.begin(); p != vec.end(); p++ )
        cout << *p << ' ';
    cout << endl;
}

template < class T >
void printVecRev(vector< T > &v )
{
    vector< T >::reverse_iterator p2;

    for ( p2 = v.rbegin(); p2 != v.rend(); ++p2 )
        cout << *p2 << ' ';
    cout << endl;
}
```

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## Vector Container Member Function

```
// vector2.cpp comparing size, capacity and max_size
#include <iostream>
#include <vector>
using namespace std;

int main ()
{
    vector<int> myvector;

    // set some content in the vector:
    for (int i=0; i<100; i++) myvector.push_back(i);

    cout << "size: " << (int) myvector.size() << endl;
    cout << "capacity: " << (int) myvector.capacity() << endl;
    cout << "max_size: " << (int) myvector.max_size() << endl;
    return 0;
}
```

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```
// vector3.cpp vector container member functions resize(), push_back()
#include <iostream>
#include <vector>
using namespace std;

template <class T>
void printVec(vector<T> &);

int main ()
{
    vector<int> myvector;

    // set some initial content:
    for (int i=1; i<10; i++)
        myvector.push_back(i); // 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9

    printVec(myvector);
    myvector.resize(5); // 1, 2, 3, 4, 5
    printVec(myvector);

    myvector.resize(8,100); // 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 100, 100, 100
    printVec(myvector);

    myvector.resize(12); // 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 100, 100, 100, 0, 0, 0
    printVec(myvector);

    return 0;
}

// function for print vector
template <class T>
void printVec(vector<T> &v)
{
    for (int i=0; i<v.size(); i++)
        cout << " " << v[i];
    cout << endl;
}
```

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## Vector Container Member Function

```
// vector4.cpp front(): access front
// back(): access back
#include <iostream>
#include <vector>
using namespace std;

int main ()
{
    vector<int> myvector;

    myvector.push_back(77); // 77
    myvector.push_back(16); // 77, 16

    myvector.front() == myvector.back(); // 61, 16

    cout << "myvector.front() is now " << myvector.front() << endl;

    return 0;
}
```

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```
// vector5.cpp insert() inserting into a vector
#include <iostream>
#include <vector>
using namespace std;

int main ()
{
    vector<int> myvector (3,100); //create myvector with initial values 100 100 100
    vector<int>::iterator it;

    it = myvector.begin();
    it = myvector.insert ( it , 200 ); // now myvector is 200 100 100 100

    myvector.insert ( it,2,300); // now vecot is 300 300 200 100 100 100

    // "it" no longer valid, get a new one:
    it = myvector.begin();

    vector<int> anothervector (2,400); // new vecor with 400 400
    myvector.insert ( it+2,anothervector.begin(),anothervector.end());
    // now myvector is 300 300 400 400 200 100 100 100
    int myarray [] = { 501,502,503 };
    myvector.insert (myvector.begin(), myarray, myarray+3);
    // now myvector is 501 502 503 300 300 400 400 200 100 100 100
    cout << "myvector contains:";
    for (it=myvector.begin(); it<myvector.end(); it++)
        cout << " " << *it;
    cout << endl;

    return 0;
}
```

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## Vector for Structured Data Type

```
// vector6.cpp vector container member functions with structured data type
#include <iostream>
#include <vector>
using namespace std;

struct Student {
    char LastName[20]; //last name
    char FirstName[20]; // First Name
    int IDNumber; // Student ID
    Student(); // Constructor
    bool operator == (const Student);
    bool operator > (const Student);
    bool operator < (const Student);
    friend ostream& operator << (ostream &stream, const Student &student);
};

// Student Constructor
Student::Student()
{
    cout << "What is the student's Last Name: ";
    cin >> LastName;
    cout << "What is the student's First Name: ";
    cin >> FirstName;
    cout << "What is the student's ID#: ";
    cin >> IDNumber;
}
```

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```

// == Operator Overloader: checks if the numbers are equal
bool Student::operator == (Student x)
{
    return (x.IDNumber == IDNumber);
}

// > Operator Overloader: checks if the number is greater than
bool Student::operator > (Student x)
{
    return (IDNumber > x.IDNumber);
}

// < Operator Overloader: checks if the number is less than
bool Student::operator < (Student x)
{
    return (IDNumber < x.IDNumber);
}

// << Operator Overloader: displays the structures information
ostream& operator << (ostream &stream, const Student &student)
{
    stream << "ID#: " << student.IDNumber << " - " << student.LastName << ", " <<
    student.FirstName << endl;
    return(stream);
}

int main ()
{
    // vector for Student structure
    vector<Student> StdVec;

    for (int i= 1; i <3; i++)
    {
        Student *ptr;
        ptr = new Student;
        StdVec.push_back(*ptr);
    }

    for (int i =1; i < 3; i++)
        cout << StdVec[i-1];
}

```