

EDAF30 – Programming in C++

5. Functions. The standard library.

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Outline

- 1 Standard library algorithms
 - Algorithms
 - Insert iterators
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 - Different kinds of iterators
 - stream iterators
- 3 Algorithms and function objects

Algorithms

Standard library algorithms

```
#include <algorithm>
```

Numeric algorithms:

```
#include <numeric>
```

Random number generation

```
#include <random>
```

Appendix A.2 in Lippman gives an overview

Main categories of algorithms

- 1 Search, count
- 2 Compare, iterate
- 3 Generate new data
- 4 Copying and moving elements
- 5 Changing and reordering elements
- 6 Sorting
- 7 Operations on sorted sequences
- 8 Operations on sets
- 9 Numeric algorithms

Algorithm limitations

- ▶ Algorithms may *modify container elements*. E.g.,
 - ▶ `std::sort`
 - ▶ `std::replace`
 - ▶ `std::copy`
 - ▶ `std::remove` (sic!)
- ▶ No algorithm *inserts or removes container elements*.
 - ▶ That requires operating on the actual container object
 - ▶ or using an *insert iterator* that knows about the container (cf. `std::back_inserter`)

Algorithms

Exempel: find

```
template <class InputIterator, class T>
InputIterator
find (InputIterator first, InputIterator last, const T& val);
```

Exempel:

```
vector<std::string> s{"Kalle", "Pelle", "Lisa", "Kim"};

auto it = std::find(s.begin(), s.end(), "Pelle");

if(it != s.end())
    cout << "Found " << *it << endl;
else
    cout << "Not found"<< endl;

Found Pelle
```

Algorithms

Example: find_if

```
template <class InputIterator, class UnaryPredicate>
InputIterator find_if (InputIterator first, InputIterator last,
                     UnaryPredicate pred);
```

Exempel:

```
bool is_odd(int i) { return (i % 2) == 1; }

void test_find_if()
{
    vector<int> v{2,4,6,5,3};

    auto it = std::find_if(v.begin(), v.end(), is_odd);

    if(it != v.end())
        cout << "Found " << *it << endl;
    else
        cout << "Not found"<< endl;
}
```

Found 5

Function pointer

Count elements, in a data structure, that satisfy some predicate

- ▶ `std::count(first, last, value)`
 - ▶ elements equal to value
- ▶ `std::count_if(first, last, predicate)`
 - ▶ elements for which predicate is true

Algorithms

Example: copy and copy_if

```
template <class InputIterator, class OutputIterator>  
OutputIterator copy (InputIterator first, InputIterator last,  
                    OutputIterator result);
```

Example:

```
vector<int> a(8,1);  
  
print_seq(a);           length = 8: [1][1][1][1][1][1][1][1]  
  
vector<int> b{5,4,3,2};  
  
std::copy(b.begin(), b.end(), a.begin()+2);  
print_seq(a);           length = 8: [1][1][5][4][3][2][1][1]
```

copy_if with predicate, as previous slide

Remove elements equal to a value or matching a predicate.

- ▶ `std::remove` et al. do not actually remove anything. They
 - ▶ move the “retained” elements to the front
 - ▶ return an iterator to the first “removed” element
- ▶ To actually remove from a container, use the `erase` member function, e.g `std::vector::erase()`

The erase-remove idiom

```
auto new_end = std::remove_if(c.begin(), c.end(), pred);  
c.erase(new_end, c.end());
```

or

```
c.erase(std::remove_if(c.begin(), c.end(), pred), c.end());
```

Algorithms

Insert iterators (in <iterator>)

Example:

```
vector<int> v{1, 2, 3, 4};
```

```
vector<int> e;  
std::copy(v.begin(), v.end(), std::back_inserter(e));  
print_seq(e);  
length = 4: [1][2][3][4]
```

```
deque<int> e2;  
std::copy(v.begin(), v.end(), std::front_inserter(e2));  
print_seq(e2);  
length = 4: [4][3][2][1]
```

```
std::copy(v.begin(), v.end(), std::inserter(e2, e2.end()));  
print_seq(e2);  
length = 8: [4][3][2][1][1][2][3][4]
```

Requirements on iterators

The standard library algorithms put requirements on iterators.
For instance, `std::find` requires its arguments to be

`CopyConstructible` (and `Destructible`) as it is passed by value

`EqualityComparable` to have `operator!=`

`Dereferencable` to have `operator*` (for reading)

`Incrementable` to have `operator++`

The requirements are often specified using iterator concepts.

Iterator concepts

- ▶ Input Iterator (++, ==, !=) (dereference as *rvalue*: *a, a->)
- ▶ Output Iterator (++) (dereference as *lvalue*: *a=t)
- ▶ Forward Iterator (Input- and Output Iterator, reusable)
- ▶ Bidirectional Iterator (as Forward Iterator with --)
- ▶ Random-access Iterator (+=, -=, a[n], <, <=, >, >=)

Different iterators for a container type (con is one of the containers `vektor`, `deque`, or `list` with the element type `T`)

<code>con<T>::iterator</code>	runs forward
<code>con<T>::const_iterator</code>	runs forward, only for reading
<code>con<T>::reverse_iterator</code>	runs backwards
<code>con<T>::const_reverse_iterator</code>	runs backwards, only for reading

Iterator validity

In general, if the structure an iterator is referring to is changed *the iterator is invalidated*. Example:

- ▶ insertion
 - ▶ sequences
 - ▶ vector, deque* : all iterators are invalidated
 - ▶ list : iterators are unaffected
 - ▶ associative containers (set, map)
 - ▶ iterators are unaffected
- ▶ removal
 - ▶ sequences
 - ▶ vector : iterators *after* the removed elements are invalidated
 - ▶ deque : all iterators invalidated (in principle*)
 - ▶ list : iterators to the removed elements are invalidated
 - ▶ associative containers (set, map)
 - ▶ iterators are unaffected
- ▶ resize: as insertion/removal

istream_iterator<T> : constructors

```
istream_iterator(); // gives an end-of-stream istream iterator  
istream_iterator (istream_type& s);
```

```
#include <iterator>
```

```
stringstream ss{"1 2 12 123 1234\n17\n\t42"};
```

```
istream_iterator<int> iit(ss);
```

```
istream_iterator<int> iit_end;
```

```
while(iit != iit_end) {  
    cout << *iit++ << endl;
```

```
}
```

```
1
```

```
2
```

```
12
```

```
123
```

```
1234
```

```
17
```

```
42
```

Example: use to initialize a vector<int>:

```
stringstream ss{"1 2 12 123 1234\n17\n\r42"};

istream_iterator<int> iit(ss);
istream_iterator<int> iit_end;

vector<int> v(iit, iit_end);

for(auto a : v) {
    cout << a << " ";
}
cout << endl;
```

1 2 12 123 1234 17 42

Example: counting words in a string s:

Straight-forward counting

```
istringstream ss{s};  
int words{0};  
string tmp;  
while(ss >> tmp) ++words;
```

Using the standard library

```
istringstream ss{s};  
int words = distance(istream_iterator<string>{ss},  
                    istream_iterator<string>{});
```

`std::distance` gives the distance (in number of elements) between two iterators. (UB if the second argument cannot be reached by incrementing the first.)

istream_iterator

Handling errors

```
stringstream ss2{"1 17 kalle 2 nisse 3 pelle\n"};
istream_iterator<int> iit2{ss2};
istream_iterator<int> iit_end;
while(!ss2.eof()) {
    while(iit2 != iit_end) { cout << *iit2++ << endl; }
    if(ss2.fail()){
        ss2.clear();
        string s;
        ss2 >> s;
        cout << "ss2: not an int: " << s << endl;
        iit2 = istream_iterator<int>(ss2); // create new iterator
    }
}
```

```
cout << boolalpha << "ss2.eof(): " << ss2.eof() << endl;
```

```
1
17
ss2: not an int: kalle
2
ss2: not an int: nisse
3
ss2: not an int: pelle
ss2.eof(): true
```

- ▶ on failure, the fail-bit is set in the stream
- ▶ the iterator is set to end
- ▶ if the stream is changed, a new iterator must be created

ostream_iterator

```
ostream_iterator (ostream_type& s);  
ostream_iterator (ostream_type& s, const char_type* delimiter);
```

```
std::vector<int> v{1,2,12,1234,17,42};  
cout << fixed << setprecision(2);  
ostream_iterator<double> oit{cout, " <-> "};
```

```
std::copy(begin(v), end(v), oit);
```

```
1.00 <-> 2.00 <-> 12.00 <-> 1234.00 <-> 17.00 <-> 42.00 <->
```

Iterate over a sequence, apply a function to each element and write the result to a sequence (cf. *“map” in functional programming languages*)

```
template < class InputIt, class OutputIt, class UnaryOperation >
OutputIt transform( InputIt first, InputIt last, OutputIt d_first,
                   UnaryOperation unary_op );
```

```
template < class InputIt1, class InputIt2, class OutputIt,
           class BinaryOperation >
OutputIt transform( InputIt1 first1, InputIt1 last1, InputIt2 first2,
                   OutputIt d_first, BinaryOperation binary_op );
```

A function object is an object that can be called as a function.,

- ▶ function pointers
- ▶ function objects (*“functor”*)

The algorithm transform can handle both function pointers and functors.

Example with function pointer

```
int square(int x) {
    return x*x;
}

vector<int> v{1, 2, 3, 5, 8};
vector<int> w; // w is empty!

transform(v.begin(), v.end(), back_inserter(w), square);

// w = {1, 4, 9, 25, 64}
```

Function objects

A function object is an object that has `operator()`

Previous example with a function object

```
struct {
    int operator() (int x) const {
        return x*x;
    }
} sq;

vector<int> v{1, 2, 3, 5, 8};
vector<int> ww; // ww empty!

transform(v.begin(), v.end(), back_inserter(ww), sq);

// ww = {1, 4, 9, 25, 64}
```

Anonymous struct – *the type* has no name, only *the object*.

Function objects

The value of a lambda expression is a function object

Previous function object

```
struct {
    int operator() (int x) const {
        return x*x;
    }
} sq;
transform(v.begin(), v.end(), back_inserter(ww), sq);
```

Previous example with a lambda

```
auto sq = [](int x){return x*x;};
transform(v.begin(), v.end(), back_inserter(ww), sq);
```

Function objects

functions with state

Function objects can be used to create functions with state (more flexible than static local variables).

Example

```
struct {
    int operator()(int x) {return val+=x;}
    int get_sum() const {return val;}
    void reset() {val=0;}
    int val=0;
} accum;

std::vector<int> v{1,2,3,4,5};

for(auto x : v) {
    cout << "sum is " << accum(x) << endl;
}
cout << "Total sum is " << accum.get_sum() << endl;
```


Random numbers

<cstdlib>

Example: dice with the C standard lib

```
#include <iostream>
#include <cstdlib>
#include <ctime>

using std::cout;
using std::endl;

int main( )
{
    unsigned int seed = time(0);
    srand(seed);
    int n{20};
    for (int i=0; i<n; i++) {
        cout << rand()%6+1 << " ";
    }
    cout << endl;
}
```

Random numbers

Better C++: encapsulate in an object – “function with state”

Assume that we have a class `Rand_int` giving random numbers in the interval $[min, max]$.

with RandInt object

```
int main()
{
    unsigned long seed = time(0);
    Rand_int dice{1,6, seed};
    int n{20};
    for(int i = 0; i != n; ++i) {
        cout << dice() << " ";
    }
    cout << endl;
}
```

The C version

```
int main( )
{
    unsigned int seed = time(0);
    srand(seed);
    int n{20};
    for (int i=0; i<n; i++) {
        cout << rand()%6+1 << " ";
    }
    cout << endl;
}
```

Random numbers

Example of a random integer class

Example: Rand_int

```
#include <random>

class Rand_int {
public:
    Rand_int(int low, int high) :dist{low,high} {}
    Rand_int(int low, int high, unsigned long seed)
        :re{seed}, dist{low,high} {}
    int operator()() {return dist(re);}
private:
    std::default_random_engine re;
    std::uniform_int_distribution<> dist;
};
```

Function objects

lambda expressions

syntax:

```
[capture] (parameters) -> return type {statements}
```

where

capture specifies by value (`[=]`) or by reference (`[&]`),
default or for each named variable (e.g., `[&x, y]`)

parameters are like normal function parameter declaration

return type can be inferred from **return** statements if
unambiguous

Example

```
auto plus = [](int a, int b) {return a + b;}  
  
int x = 10;  
auto plus_x = [=](int a) {return a + x;} // x is captured
```

Function objects

Predefined function objects: `<functional>`

Functions:

`plus`, `minus`, `multiplies`, `divides`, `modulus`, `negate`,
`equal_to`, `not_equal_to`, `greater`, `less`, `greater_equal`,
`less_equal`, `logical_and`, `logical_or`, `logical_not`

Predefined function object creation

`operation<type>()`

E.g.,

```
auto f = std::plus<int>();
```

Function objects

Example: `std::plus` from `<functional>`

transform with binary function

```
vector<int> v1{1,2,3,4,5};  
vector<int> v2(10,10);  
  
vector<int> res2;  
auto it = std::back_inserter(res2);  
auto f = std::plus<int>();  
std::transform(v1.begin(), v1.end(), v2.begin(), it, f);  
  
print_seq(res2);  
  
length = 5: [11][12][13][14][15]
```

Example with `accumulate` `<numeric>`

```
auto mul = std::multiplies<int>();  
int prod = std::accumulate(v1.begin(), v1.end(), 1, mul);  
  
cout << "product(v1) = " << prod << endl;  
  
product(v1) = 120
```

Function objects

Example: a function object class template

```
template<typename T>
class Less_than {
    const T val;
public:
    Less_than(const T& v) :val{v} {}
    bool operator()(const T& x) {return x < val;}
};

void use_less_than()
    auto lt5 = Less_than<int>(5);      // or Less_than<int> lt5{5}
    std::vector<int> v{1, 7, 6, 2, 8, 4, 9, 3};
    std::vector<int> small;

    std::copy_if(begin(v), end(v), std::back_inserter(small), lt5);

    for (auto x : small) {
        cout << x << " ";
    }
    cout << endl;
}
```

Custom comparator for `std::set`

A `std::set<T>` is sorted

- ▶ using `operator<` by default
- ▶ or with a custom binary predicate

The predicate should be of the form `bool (const T&, const T&)`, and can be given as

- ▶ a function pointer
- ▶ a functor
 - ▶ an object of a class with `operator()(const T&, const T&)`
 - ▶ the value of a lambda expression

The type parameters

```
template< class Key,  
          class Compare    = std::less<Key>,  
          class Allocator  = std::allocator<Key>  
> class set;
```

And some constructors:

```
set();
```

```
explicit set( const Compare& comp,  
              const Allocator& alloc = Allocator() );
```

```
set( std::initializer_list<value_type> init,  
     const Compare& comp = Compare(),  
     const Allocator& alloc = Allocator() )
```

Custom comparator for `std::set`

```
struct Longest_Str{
    bool operator()(const string& l, const string &r) const {
        return l.size() > r.size();}
};

bool short_str(const string& l, const string& r)
{
    return l.size() < r.size();
}
```

```
#include <set>

std::set<string, Longest_Str> s{"a", "bb"};
std::set<string, Longest_Str> s2;

using StrComp = bool (*)(const string&, const string&);
std::set<string, StrComp> t({"x", "yy"}, short_str);
std::set<string, StrComp> t2(short_str);
```

Suggested reading

References to sections in Lippman

Function templates 16.1.1

Algorithms 10 – 10.3.1, 10.5

Iterators 10.4

Function objects 14.8

Random numbers 17.4.1

Resource management

References to sections in Lippman

Dynamic memory and smart pointers 12.1

Dynamically allocated arrays 12.2.1

Classes, resource management 13.1, 13.2

swap 13.3

Copying and moving objects 13.4, 13.6