
USING THE STANDARD TEMPLATE LIBRARY (STL)

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```
#include<algorithm>
#include<vector>

int main ( const int, const char** const ) {
    const unsigned short myArray[5] = { 4, 7, 1, 1, 42 };
    std::vector<unsigned short> myVec ( myArray, myArray+5 );
    std::shuffle ( myVec.begin(), myVec.end(), std::mt19937 ( 23 ) );
    std::vector<unsigned short>::const_iterator
        it = std::find ( myVec.begin(), myVec.end(), 42 );
    return ( EXIT_SUCCESS );
}
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(compiled on gcc-4.6.3, clang 3.6, and Visual Studio 2013)
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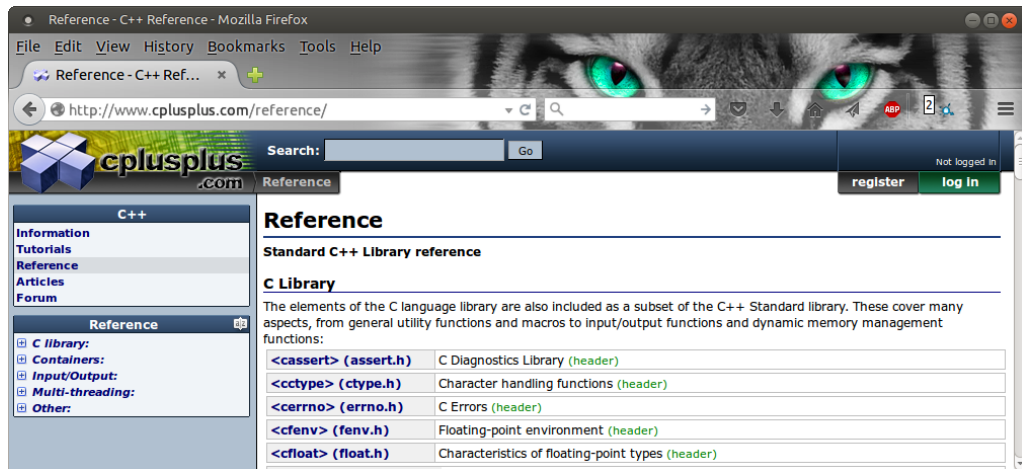
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... but

- I'm not a native STL speaker
- not exhaustive about STL
- no reference, see <http://www.cplusplus.com/reference> instead
- some observations may not be guaranteed
- boost or other libraries may offer better solutions for your needs
- example code quality not optimal
- not covered:
 - STL smart pointers
 - multithreading
 - exception handling
 - strings, stringstream

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Standard C++ Library reference

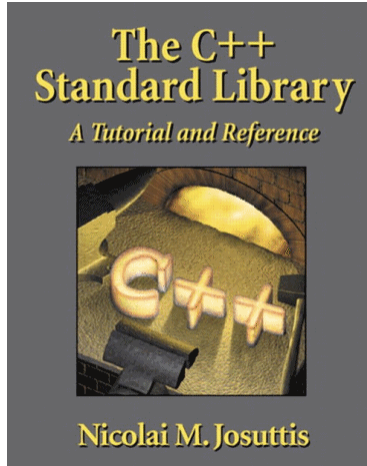
C Library

The elements of the C language library are also included as a subset of the C++ Standard library. These cover many aspects, from general utility functions and macros to input/output functions and dynamic memory management functions:

<code><cassert> (assert.h)</code>	C Diagnostics Library (header)
<code><cctype> (ctype.h)</code>	Character handling functions (header)
<code><cerrno> (errno.h)</code>	C Errors (header)
<code><cfenv> (fenv.h)</code>	Floating-point environment (header)
<code><cfloat> (float.h)</code>	Characteristics of floating-point types (header)

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- complexity guarantees

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First Example

```
#include<cstdlib>
#include<vector>

int main ( const int, const char** const ) {
    const unsigned int size = 10;
    std::vector<unsigned int> myVec(size);
    for ( unsigned int i = 0; i < size; ++i ) {
        myVec[i] = 42*i+23;
    }
    return ( EXIT_SUCCESS );
}
```

↪ STLSimple.cpp

✗ not very STLish

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Vectors

`std::vector<DataType>`

- one-dimensional array with dynamic size
- random access via index
- special `std::vector<bool>`

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Vector 1

```
#include<vector>
// ...
std::vector<unsigned int> myVec(size); // create, 0-initialized

myVec[5] = 42; // random access
myVec.at(3) = 23; // random access with bounds checking

myVec.resize(12); // change size

myVec.push_back(23); // insert at (change size)
myVec.pop_back();    // remove last element

myVec.reserve(120); // allocation is logarithmic, but still ...

// iterate, note the "auto" keyword (C++ 11)
for ( auto it = myVec.begin(); it != myVec.end(); ++it ) {
    std::cout << *it << std::endl;
}

myVec.clear(); // resize to 0
```

↪ STLVector_Basic.cpp

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Vector 2

```
#include<vector>
#include<algorithm>
// ...
std::vector<signed int> myVecA, myVecB;
// ... // fill vectors

// insert via iterator
std::vector<signed int>::iterator destPos = myVecA.begin();
++destPos; ++destPos;
myVecA.insert ( destPos, myVecB.rbegin(), myVecB.rend() );

// delete values (not indices) 60 (included) ... 275 (excluded!)
signed int
    firstEntryToDelete = 60,
    firstEntryAfterDeletion = 275;
std::vector<signed int>::iterator
    rangeBegin = std::find ( myVecA.begin(), myVecA.end(), firstEntryToDelete ),
    rangeEnd = std::find ( myVecA.begin(), myVecA.end(), firstEntryAfterDeletion );
myVecA.erase ( rangeBegin, rangeEnd );
```

↪ STLVector_Advanced.cpp

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Lists

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List 1

```
#include<list>

std::list<unsigned int> myList; // no size

for ( int i = 0; i < 12; ++i ) {
    myList.push_back ( 4 * i + 3 );
}

std::cout << "myList is of size " << myList.size() << std::endl;
// iterate over list
for ( auto it = myList.begin(); it != myList.end(); ++it ) {
    std::cout << *it << std::endl;
}
```

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List 2

```
std::list<unsigned int>::iterator it = myList.begin();
++it; ++it;
myList.insert ( it, 21859275 ); // insert new entry before it
                                // this is cheaper than for vectors
--it;
myList.erase ( it );

myList.push_front ( 4711 );
myList.push_back ( 28359 );

myList.pop_back();
myList.pop_front();

myList.clear(); // resize to 0
```

↪ STList_Basic.cpp

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List 3

```
#include<list>

struct isOdd {
    template<typename IntegerType>
    bool operator() ( const IntegerType &Value ) {
        return ( ( Value % 2 ) == 1 );
    }
};

// in main program:
std::list<signed long int> myListA, myListB;

std::list<signed long int>::iterator myIt = myListA.begin();
std::advance ( myIt, 3 );
myListA.splice ( myIt, myListB );

myListA.sort();           // list-specific variants of generic
myListA.remove ( 65 );    // sort, remove, unique, remove_if
myListA.unique();
myListA.remove_if ( isOdd() );
```

↪ STLList_Advanced.cpp

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Vector vs. List 1

When using objects that are expensive to handle ...

```
struct ExpensiveToCreate {
    ExpensiveToCreate ( ) : _val ( 0 ) {
        std::cout << "EXPENSIVE_create" << std::endl;
    }
    ExpensiveToCreate ( const size_t Val ) : _val ( Val ) {
        std::cout << "EXPENSIVE_create" << std::endl;
    }
    // ...
    // similar for destructor, copy constructor, operator=

    bool operator< ( const ExpensiveToCreate& Other ) const {
        return ( ( this->_val < Other._val ) );
    }
private:
    size_t _val;
};
```

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Vector vs. List 2

... choose an efficient data structure!

```
const size_t mySize = 4;

std::vector<ExpensiveToCreate> myVector ( mySize );
for ( size_t i = 0; i < mySize; ++i ) {
    myVector[i] = ExpensiveToCreate ( mySize - i );
}
std::sort ( myVector.begin(), myVector.end() );

std::list<ExpensiveToCreate> myList;
for ( size_t i = 0; i < mySize; ++i ) {
    myList.emplace_back ( i );
}
myList.sort();
```

⇒ STLVectorVsList.cpp

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Benchmark: List vs. Forward List

```
std::list<signed long int> myListC;  
fillWithSomeData ( myListC );  
std::cout << "Modifying list..." << std::flush;  
std::chrono::high_resolution_clock::time_point  
    t1 = std::chrono::high_resolution_clock::now();  
  
for ( size_t i = 0; i < ListSize; ++i ) {  
    typename std::list<signed long int>::iterator it = myListC.begin();  
    ++it;  
    myListC.insert ( it, 4711 );  
}  
  
std::chrono::high_resolution_clock::time_point  
    t2 = std::chrono::high_resolution_clock::now();  
const std::chrono::duration<double>  
    timeSpan = std::chrono::duration_cast<std::chrono::duration<double>>(t2 - t1);  
std::cout << "done, took" << timeSpan.count() << std::endl;
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```
std::forward_list<signed long int> myListD;  
fillWithSomeData ( myListD );  
std::cout << "Modifying forward_list..." << std::flush;  
std::chrono::high_resolution_clock::time_point  
    t1 = std::chrono::high_resolution_clock::now();  
  
for ( size_t i = 0; i < ListSize; ++i ) {  
    typename std::forward_list<signed long int>::iterator it = myListD.begin();  
    ++it;  
    myListD.insert_after ( it, 4711 );  
}  
  
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    t2 = std::chrono::high_resolution_clock::now();  
const std::chrono::duration<double>  
    timeSpan = std::chrono::duration_cast<std::chrono::duration<double>>(t2 - t1);  
std::cout << "done, took" << timeSpan.count() << std::endl;
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↪ [STLForwardList.cpp](#)

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"More computing sins are committed in the name of efficiency (without necessarily achieving it) than for any other single reason—including blind stupidity." (William Wulf)

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Sets

`std::set<DataType>`

- mathematical set: objects contained once
- internally sorted according to comparison
- no direct (write) access
- fast find
- extensions
 - `std::multiset<DataType>` can contain multiple instances
 - `std::unordered_set<DataType>` hashed, not sorted

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Set 1

```
#include<set>
// ...
std::set<short int> mySet;
for ( int i = 0; i < 25; ++i ) {
    const short int val = ( 12 * i + 2 ) % 26;
    mySet.insert ( val );
}
std::cout << "mySet is of size " << mySet.size() << std::endl;
// note: no random access

std::cout << "Removed " << mySet.erase ( 12 ) << "times entry 12." << std::endl
          << "Removed " << mySet.erase ( 13 ) << "times entry 13." << std::endl;
```

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Set 2

```
// iterate over set, as before
for ( auto it = mySet.begin(); it != mySet.end(); ++it ) {
    std::cout << *it << std::endl;
}

std::set<short int>::iterator pos = mySet.find ( 16 );
std::cout << "16 found: " << *pos << std::endl;

std::set<short int>::iterator otherPos = mySet.find ( 23 );
if ( otherPos == mySet.end() ) {
    std::cout << "the following results in undefined behavior" << std::endl;
    std::cout << "23 not found: " << *otherPos << std::endl; // dereferencing undefined!
}
```

↪ STLSet_Basic.cpp

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Unordered Set and Multiset 1

```
template<typename SetType>
void fillAndPrint ( ) {
    SetType mySet;

    for ( int i = 0; i < 25; ++i ) {
        const short int val = ( 12 * i + 2 ) % 26;
        std::cout << "inserting_" << val << std::endl;
        mySet.insert ( val );
    }

    std::cout << "mySet_is_of_size_" << mySet.size() << std::endl;

    for ( auto it = mySet.begin(); it != mySet.end(); ++it ) {
        std::cout << *it << std::endl;
    }
    std::cout << std::endl;
}
```

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Unordered Set and Multiset 2

```
#include<set>
#include<unordered_set>
// ...
std::cout << "Multiset:_" << std::endl;
fillAndPrint < std::multiset<short int> > ();

std::cout << "Unordered_Set:_" << std::endl;
fillAndPrint < std::unordered_set<short int> > ();

std::cout << "Unordered_Multiset:_" << std::endl;
fillAndPrint < std::unordered_multiset<short int> > ();
```

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Unordered Set: More about Hashing

```
#include<set>
#include<unordered_set>
// ...

std::unordered_set<std::string> myUnorderedSet;

for ( int i = 0; i < 25; ++i ) {
    std::string number = "Number_" + std::to_string ( i );
    std::cout << "inserting_" << number << "_with_hash_"
                << myUnorderedSet.hash_function() ( number ) << std::endl;
    myUnorderedSet.insert ( number );
}

std::cout << "Load_factor_is_" << myUnorderedSet.load_factor()
          << ",_there_are_" << myUnorderedSet.bucket_count() << "_buckets." << std::endl;

std::string num23 ( "Number_23" );
std::cout << num23 << "_is_in_bucket_" << myUnorderedSet.bucket ( num23 ) << std::endl;
```

→ STLSet_Extensions.cpp

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Maps

`std::map<KeyType, ValueType>`

- “dictionary”, values for unique keys
- internally sorted according to comparison
- fast lookup
- access via `operator[]` somewhat tricky
- extensions
 - `std::multimap<KeyType, ValueType>` can contain multiple value per key
 - `std::unordered_map<KeyType, ValueType>` hashed, not sorted

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Map 1

```
#include<map>
#include<string>
// ...
std::map<short int, std::string> myMap;
myMap[1] = "One"; // inserting elements works via operator[]
myMap.insert ( std::pair<short int, std::string> ( 2, "Two" ) );
myMap.insert ( std::make_pair ( 3, "Three" ) );

std::cout << "1:_ " << myMap[1] << std::endl; // access also works via operator[]

std::cout << "4:_ " << myMap[4] << std::endl;
// there is no const access, default object created instead!

auto it = myMap.find ( 1 );
std::cout << it->first << "_ " << it->second << std::endl; // iterator points to pair

it = myMap.find ( 5 );
std::cout << ( it == myMap.end() ) << std::endl;
```

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Map 2

```
#include<map>
#include<string>
// ...
std::map< std::string, short int>
    myOtherMap = { { "Zero", 0 },
                  { "One", 1 },
// ...
                  { "Eight", 8 },
                  { "Nine", 9 } };
// alternative form of initialization

// this is how one can iterate over a map
for ( auto it = myOtherMap.begin(); it != myOtherMap.end(); ++it ) {
    std::cout << it->first << " " << it->second << std::endl;
} // note: the map is sorted
```

↪ STLMap_Basic.cpp

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Map 3

```
#include<map>
#include<string>
// ...
std::map<short int, std::string> myMap;
myMap[1] = "One"; // inserting elements works via operator[]
myMap[2] = "Two";
std::string dwarf = myMap[3];

// access including existence check and const access via at()
for ( short int i = 0; i < 5; ++i ) {
    std::string myString;
    try {
        myString = myMap.at ( i );
    } catch ( std::exception &ex ) {
        std::cout << "exception caught: " << ex.what() << std::endl;
        myString = "not found";
    }
    std::cout << i << ": " << myString << std::endl;
}
```

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Unordered Map

```
#include<unordered_map>
#include<string>
// ...
std::unordered_map< std::string, short int>
myOtherMap = { { "Zero", 0 },
               { "One", 1 },
               { "Two", 2 },
               { "Three", 3 },
               { "Four", 4 },
               { "Five", 5 },
               { "Six", 6 },
               { "Seven", 7 },
               { "Eight", 8 },
               { "Nine", 9 } };
// alternative form of initialization

// iteration as usual (for maps)
for ( auto it = myOtherMap.begin(); it != myOtherMap.end(); ++it ) {
    std::cout << it->first << " " << it->second << std::endl;
}
```

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Multimap 1

```
#include<map>
#include<string>
// ...
std::multimap<unsigned int, std::string>
    myMap = { { 1, "one" },
              { 1, "eins" },
// ...
              { 3, "three" },
              { 3, "drei" } };
// no access via operator[]
for ( auto it = myMap.begin(); it != myMap.end(); ++it ) {
    std::cout << it->first << " " << it->second << std::endl;
}
```

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Multimap 2

```
std::cout << "number_of_occurrences_of_1_and_4:"  
    << myMap.count ( 1 ) << " " << myMap.count ( 4 ) << std::endl;  
  
// here's how to iterate over values with the same key  
typedef std::multimap<unsigned int, std::string>::const_iterator citType;  
std::pair< citType, citType >  
    range = myMap.equal_range ( 2 );  
for ( citType it = range.first; it != range.second; ++it ) {  
    std::cout << it->first << " " << it->second << std::endl;  
}
```

↪ STLMap_Advanced.cpp

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Caution: Set and Map with Floating Point Numbers

```
const double
    oneThirdA = 1.0/3.0f,
    oneThirdB = A::getOneOverThirty() / 2 + 9.5f * A::getOneOverThirty(),
    oneThirdC = 10.0f * A::getOneOverThirty();

std::map<double, std::string> myMap;
myMap [ oneThirdA ] = "one_third_A";
myMap [ oneThirdB ] = "one_third_B";

std::cout << "should_be_oneThird_A_or_B:"
    << myMap [ 10.0f * A::getOneOverThirty() ] << std::endl;

myMap [ oneThirdC ] = "one_third_C";

for ( auto it = myMap.begin(); it != myMap.end(); ++it ) {
    std::cout << it->first << " " << it->second << " ";
    printAsHex ( it->first );
    std::cout << std::endl;
}
```

→ STLMap_HowNotTo.cpp

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- `const_iterator` vs. `iterator`

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Debugging Support

compiler define `_GLIBCXX_DEBUG`:

```
g++ -std=c++0x -g -D_GLIBCXX_DEBUG  
-lm -o STLDebugging.bin_d STLDebugging.cpp
```

```
#include<cstdlib>  
#include<iostream>  
#include<vector>  
  
int main ( const int, const char** const ) {  
    const unsigned int size = 2;  
    std::vector<unsigned int> myVec(size);  
    myVec.clear();  
    myVec[1] = 42;  
    // myVec.at(1) = 42;  
    return ( EXIT_SUCCESS );  
}
```

↪ STLDebugging.cpp

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Predicates

- functions returning Boolean value
- always return same value (no internal state)
- e.g., comparison for sorting

```
bool isDivisibleByFour ( const int &Arg ) {  
    return ( ( Arg % 4 ) == 0 );  
}
```

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Functors (Function Objects)

- object with `operator()`
- behave like a function, but more general

```
class UniqueNumberGenerator {  
public:  
    UniqueNumberGenerator() : _num ( 0 ) {  
    }  
  
    int operator()() {  
        _num += 3;  
        return ( _num );  
    }  
  
private:  
    int _num;  
};
```

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Algorithms

- some examples of container methods seen above
- STL offers **generic** algorithms independent of STL data structures
- access via iterators or iterator-likes

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Pairs

```
#include<list>
#include<limits>

template<typename T>
std::pair<T, unsigned int> findMaximumAndItsPosition ( std::list<T> &Arg ) {
    std::pair<T, unsigned int> res ( - std::numeric_limits<T>::infinity(),
                                     std::numeric_limits<unsigned int>::max() );

    unsigned int i = 0;
    for ( typename std::list<T>::const_iterator it = Arg.begin();
          it != Arg.end(); ++it, ++i ) {
        if ( (*it) > (res.first) ) {
            res.first = (*it);
            res.second = i;
        }
    }
    return ( res );
}

// ...
std::pair<double, unsigned int> maxAndPos = findMaximumAndItsPosition ( myList );
```

↪ STLUtilities_Pair.cpp

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Min, Max, Swap

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

int main ( const int, const char** const ) {
    int a = 23, b = 42;
    std::cout << "Maximum is " << std::max ( a, b ) << std::endl;
    std::cout << "Maximum is " << std::min ( a, b ) << std::endl;

    std::swap ( a, b );
    std::cout << "Now a=" << a << ", b=" << b << std::endl;

    return ( EXIT_SUCCESS );
}
```

↪ STLUtilities_MinMaxSwap.cpp

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Maximum with Comparator

```
int weightedTimeSinceMeal ( const int Hour ) {
    static const int hPD = 24; // hours per day

    const int hour = Hour % hPD;
    if ( hour < 8 ) { return ( ( hPD + hour - 20 ) % hPD ) / 2 ); }
    else if ( hour < 12 ) { return ( 2 * ( hour - 8 ) ); }
    else if ( hour < 20 ) { return ( ( hour - 12 ) ); }
    else { return ( ( hour - 20 ) % hPD ) / 2 ); }
}

bool hungerCompare ( const int HourA, const int HourB ) {
    return ( weightedTimeSinceMeal ( HourA ) < weightedTimeSinceMeal ( HourB ) );
}
// ...

const int timeA = 11, timeB = 14;

std::cout << "Comparing " << timeA << " and " << timeB
    << ", more hungry at " << std::max ( 11, 14, hungerCompare ) << std::endl;
```

↪ STLUtilities_Compare.cpp

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Sorting 1

```
#include<vector>
#include<set>
#include<algorithm>

const size_t mySize = 8;
const float myArray[mySize] = { 0.2, 0.8, 1.9, 1.7, 0.3, 1.1, 1.5, 0.4 };

std::vector<float> myVector ( myArray, myArray+mySize );
std::sort ( myVector.begin(), myVector.end() );

std::sort ( myVector.begin(), myVector.end(), std::greater<float>() );

std::set<float, std::greater<float> > mySet ( myArray, myArray+mySize );
```

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Sorting 2

```
#include<vector>
#include<algorithm>

template<typename FloatDataType>
struct lessAsInt {
    bool operator() ( const FloatDataType A, const FloatDataType B ) const {
        return ( ( static_cast<int> ( A ) < static_cast<int> ( B ) ) );
    }
};

std::vector<float> myVectorB ( myArray, myArray+mySize );
std::sort ( myVectorB.begin(), myVectorB.end(), lessAsInt<float>() );

std::sort ( myArray, myArray+mySize ); // sort C array
```

↪ STLAlgorithms_Sorting.cpp

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Generators 1

```
int consecutiveNumber() {  
    static int counter = 0;  
    return ( counter++ );  
}  
  
class UniqueNumberGenerator {  
public:  
    UniqueNumberGenerator() : _num ( 0 ) {  
    }  
  
    int operator()() {  
        _num += 3;  
        return ( _num );  
    }  
  
private:  
    int _num;  
};
```

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Generators 2, Transform, Accumulate

```
#include<vector>
#include<algorithm>
#include<functional>
// ...
const size_t mySize = 10;
std::vector<int> myVectorA ( mySize );
std::generate ( myVectorA.begin(), myVectorA.end(), consecutiveNumber );

std::vector<int> myVectorB ( mySize );
std::generate ( myVectorB.begin(), myVectorB.end(), UniqueNumberGenerator() );

std::vector<int> myVectorC ( mySize );
std::transform ( myVectorA.begin(), myVectorA.end(),
                 myVectorB.begin(), myVectorC.rbegin(), std::plus<int>() );

const int
    init = 50,
    result = std::accumulate ( myVectorA.begin(), myVectorA.end(),
                              init, std::minus<int>() );

std::cout << "result_ = " << result << std::endl;
```

↪ STLAlgorithms_Generate.cpp

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Find and Iterator Arithmetics

```
#include<vector>
#include<algorithm>

typedef unsigned short ushort;
const size_t mySize = 10;

// std::find works with C arrays as well as STL data structures

const ushort myArray[mySize] = { 0, 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 12, 12 };
const ushort* p = std::find ( myArray, myArray+mySize, 12 );
if ( ( p - myArray ) < mySize ) {
    std::cout << "Found_" << *p << "_at_position_" << p - myArray << std::endl;
} // else, p == myArray+mySize indicating not found

std::vector<ushort> myVector ( myArray, myArray+mySize );
std::vector<ushort>::iterator
    pos = std::find ( myVector.begin(), myVector.end(), 14 );
if ( pos != myVector.end() ) {
    std::cout << "Found_" << *pos << "_at_position_"
        << pos - myVector.begin() << std::endl; // iterator difference
} // else not found
```

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Count, Shuffle and Minmax_Element

```
#include<ctime>
#include<random>
// ...

const int numCount = std::count ( myArray, myArray+mySize, 12 );
std::cout << "12 is contained " << numCount << " times." << std::endl;

unsigned int mySeed = static_cast<int> ( std::time(0) );
std::shuffle ( myVector.begin(), myVector.end(), std::mt19937 ( mySeed ) );

std::pair< std::vector<ushort>::iterator,
           std::vector<ushort>::iterator >
minMax = std::minmax_element ( myVector.begin(), myVector.end() );

std::cout << "Minimum of " << * ( minMax.first )
          << " at " << minMax.first - myVector.begin() << ", "
          << "maximum of " << * ( minMax.second )
          << " at " << minMax.second - myVector.begin() << std::endl << std::endl;
```

similarly: `std::count_if`, `std::min_element`, `std::max_element`

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Partitioning and Binary Search

```
bool isDivisibleByFour ( const ushort &Arg ) {  
    return ( ( Arg % 4 ) == 0 );  
}  
  
bool veryExpensiveComparison ( const ushort &A, const ushort &B ) {  
    std::cout << "VERY_EXPENSIVE_COMPARISON" << std::endl;  
    return ( ( A < B ) );  
}  
  
// ...  
  
std::vector<ushort> myVector2 ( myVector );  
  
std::partition ( myVector2.begin(), myVector2.end(), isDivisibleByFour );  
  
std::stable_partition ( myVector.begin(), myVector.end(), isDivisibleByFour );  
  
bool found = std::binary_search ( myVector.begin(), myVector.end(),  
                                  14, veryExpensiveComparison );
```

↪ STLAlgorithms_Misc.cpp

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