

#13: Iterators

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Iterators

In C++, iterators provide an interface for client code access to data in a way that abstracts away the internals of the data structure.

An instance of an iterator is a current location in a pass through the data structure:

Туре	Cur. Location	Current Data	Next
Linked List			
Array			
Hypercube			

The iterator minimally implements three member functions: operator*, Returns the current data operator++, Advance to the next data operator!=, Determines if the iterator is at a different location

Implementing an Iterator

A class that implements an iterator must have two pieces:

1. [Implementing Class]: Must implement:

2. [Implementing Class' Iterator]: A separate class (usually an internal class) that extends std::iterator and implements an iterator. This requires:

Locations of ::begin and ::end iterators:

Туре	::begin()	::end()
Linked List		
Array		

Using an Iterator

stlList.cpp			
1	<pre>#include <vector></vector></pre>		
2	<pre>#include <string></string></pre>		
3	<pre>#include <iostream></iostream></pre>		
4			
5	struct Animal {		
6	<pre>std::string name, food;</pre>		
7	bool big;		
8	Animal(std::string name = "blob", std::string food = "you",		
	bool big = true) :		
9	name(name), food(food), big(big) { /* nothing */ }		
10	};		
11			
12	<pre>int main() {</pre>		
13	Animal g("giraffe", "leaves", true),		
	<pre>p("penguin", "fish", false), b("bear");</pre>		
14	<pre>std::vector<animal> zoo;</animal></pre>		
15			
16	zoo.push_back(g);		
17	zoo.push_back(p); // std::vector's insertAtEnd		
18	zoo.push_back(b);		
19			
20	<pre>for (std::vector<animal>::iterator it = zoo.begin();</animal></pre>		
	it != zoo.end(); it++) {		
21	std::cout << (*it).name << " " << (*it).food << std::endl;		
22	}		
23			
24	return 0;		
25	}		

Q: What does the above code do?

For-Each loop with Iterators

stlList-forEach.cpp		
20	for (const Animal & animal : zoo) {	
21	<pre>std::cout << animal.name << " " << animal.food << std::endl;</pre>	
22	}	

Trees!

- "The most important non-linear data structure in computer science."
- David Knuth, The Art of Programming, Vol. 1

Tree Property: Tree Height

We will primarily talk about **binary trees:**

- What's the longest **English word** you can make using the **vertex** labels in the tree (repeats allowed)?
- Find an **edge** that is not on the longest **path** in the tree. Give that edge a reasonable name.
- One of the vertices is called the **root** of the tree. Which one?
- How many parents does each vertex have?
- Which vertex has the fewest **children**?
- Which vertex has the most **ancestors**?
- Which vertex has the most **descendants**?
- List all the vertices is b's left **subtree**.
- List all the **leaves** in the tree.

Definition: Binary Tree

A *binary tree* **T** is either:





Tree Property: Full



Tree Property: Complete



CS 225 – Things To Be Doing:

- 1. mp_lists extra credit deadline is Monday!
- **2.** lab_quacks in lab this week
- **3.** Exam 2 next Friday
- 4. Daily POTDs practice for Exam 2