

Lecture 8: Files Advertising

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Insperaøving 1

- Insperaøving 1:
 - Week 9 (27.02 – 03.03)
 - No lectures and no assignment that week
 - Not mandatory, but highly recommended
- **Insperaøving 2: Mandatory to be able to take the exam**

Details are in the announcement posted on Blackboard
(also sent out by mail)

Follow along on Blackboard for any additional information

Last time

- **Object-Oriented Programing**
- Classes
- Enumerations (enum)

What's an object?

We have already seen a number of them previously!

```
std::vector  
std::array  
std::string  
std::random_device  
std::default_random_engine  
std::uniform_int_distribution
```

```
TDT4102::AnimationWindow
```

More concretely: objects are a combination of data (variables) hidden inside the object, and functions that modify the data in specific ways.

Procedure vs. Object-Oriented Programming

The two styles differ in where program data is stored, and how that program data can be modified.

- Procedure-Oriented Programming:
 - Data is stored inside functions
 - Functions apply modifications on data provided to them as a parameter
- Object-Oriented Programming:
 - Data is hidden within objects
 - Objects have functions that modify the data within

Example: Procedure-Oriented Programming

- Procedure-Oriented Programming:
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 - Functions apply modifications on data provided to them as a parameter

```
void increment(int& number) {  
    number++;  
}
```

```
int main() {  
    int number = 0;  
    increment(number);  
    return 0;  
}
```

Example: Object-Oriented Programming

- Object-Oriented Programming:
 - Data is hidden within objects
 - Objects have functions that modify the data within

```
int main() {  
    AnimationWindow window;  
    window.draw_circle({100, 100}, 50);  
    window.wait_for_close();  
    return 0;  
}
```


Comparison

Object-Oriented Programming

```
int main() {  
    AnimationWindow window;  
    window.draw_circle({100, 100}, 50);  
    window.wait_for_close();  
    return 0;  
}
```

The **object** controls what happens to the data, and can define if and how it is allowed to be modified (example: cannot change width)

Procedure-Oriented Programming

```
int main() {  
    AnimationWindow window = open_wimdown();  
    draw_circle(window, {100, 100}, 50);  
    window.width = 50;   
    wait_for_close(window);  
    return 0;  
}
```

The **function** controls what happens to the data, and is free to modify it however it wants

Both can be valid choices

Object-Oriented Programming	Procedure-Oriented Programming
<p>Control:</p> <p>The object defines what can and cannot be done with the data that is hidden inside</p>	<p>Freedom:</p> <p>A function can do whatever it needs to with any data it processes</p>
<p>Grouping:</p> <p>Data and the functions modifying that data are located together</p>	<p>Granularity:</p> <p>Each function can be independently reused across the entire program</p>
<p>Modularity:</p> <p>As all data and functionality is abstracted away, it can easily be swapped where necessary.</p>	<p>Flexibility:</p> <p>Very few problems can be abstracted neatly, and functions can ensure each edge case is handled</p>

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Today

- **Files and paths**
- **std::filesystem**
- Streams
- std::unordered_map

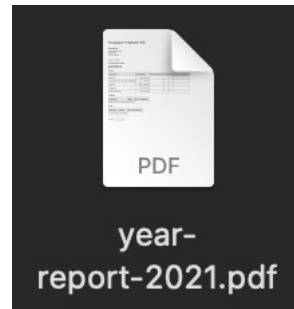


Files



Files

- Purpose:
 - Storing data for future use
 - Mechanism to exchange data between programs
- Can be arbitrarily small or large (empty to many gigabytes in size)
- Can only be created in a directory that already exists



File name

Extension (.pdf): indicates the file type

File formats

The contents of a file usually follow a specific format, identified by the file's extension, which programs that support the format can interpret

Web page (.html)

```
1 <!DOCTYPE html>
2 <html class="ltr yui3-js-enabled gecko js firefox firefox109 firefox109-0 mac secure" dir="ltr"
  lang="nb-NO"><head>
3   <title>NTNU: Norges teknisk-naturvitenskapelige universitet - NTNU</title>
4   <meta content="initial-scale=1.0, width=device-width" name="viewport">
5
6   <meta name="mobile-web-app-capable" content="yes">
7   <meta name="application-name" content="NTNU">
8
9   <meta name="apple-mobile-web-app-capable" content="yes">
10  <meta name="apple-mobile-web-app-title" content="NTNU">
11  <meta name="apple-mobile-web-app-status-bar-style" content="default">
12
13  <link rel="apple-touch-icon" href="https://www.ntnu.no/ntnu-theme/images/
```

Document (.pdf)

```
1 %PDF-1.6
2 %âãÏÓ
3 1 0 obj
4 <</Metadata 2 0 R/OCProperties<</D<</ON[7 0 R]/Order 8 0 R/RBGroups[]>>/OCGs[7 0 R]>>/Pages 3 0
  R/Type/Catalog>>
5 endobj
6 2 0 obj
7 <</Length 62334/Subtype/XML/Type/Metadata>>stream
8 <?xml:packet begin="ï¿" id="W5M0MpCehiHzreSzNTczkc9d"?>
9 <x:xmpmeta xmlns:x="adobe:ns:meta/" x:xmptk="Adobe XMP Core 7.2-c000 79.1b65a79, 2022/06/
  13-17:46:14">
10   <rdf:RDF xmlns:rdf="http://www.w3.org/1999/02/22-rdf-syntax-ns#"
11     <rdf:Description rdf:about=""
12       xmlns:dc="http://purl.org/dc/elements/1.1/"
13       xmlns:xmp="http://ns.adobe.com/xap/1.0/"
```


std::filesystem::path

NOTE: std::filesystem
is not in the book!

- Stores a path to a file or directory
- std::string can also be used, but std::filesystem::path communicates that the variable is intended to store a path

Declaring a variable:

```
std::filesystem::path pathToFile{"input/temps.txt"};
```

Declaring a path step by step:

```
std::filesystem::path inputDirectory {"input"};  
std::filesystem::path inputFile =  
    inputDirectory / "measurements" / "temps.txt";
```

Absolute and Relative paths

- Absolute path:
 - A path to a file or directory that starts at the root of the file system
 - Windows: `C:/Users/user/Documents/workspaces/dev`
 - MacOS: `/Users/user/Documents/workspaces/dev`
- Relative path:
 - A path to a file or directory that starts in the working directory of the program
 - Windows: `../../workspaces/dev`
 - MacOS: `../../workspaces/dev`



The .. means «one directory up»

Absolute and Relative paths

- Convert relative to absolute path:

```
std::filesystem::path relative {"builddir"};  
std::filesystem::path absPath = std::filesystem::absolute(relative);
```
- Get the program's working directory:

```
std::filesystem::path workDir = std::filesystem::current_path();
```
- Check if two paths are equivalent:

```
std::filesystem::path relative {"builddir"};  
std::filesystem::path absPath = std::filesystem::absolute(relative);  
  
bool areEquivalent = std::filesystem::equivalent(relative, absPath);  
std::cout << areEquivalent << std::endl; // prints '1'
```

Path utilities

- Check if file or directory exists:

```
std::filesystem::path filePath {"builddir/build.ninja"};  
if(std::filesystem::exists(filePath)) {  
    std::cout << "File exists!" << std::endl;  
}
```

- Print a path:

```
std::filesystem::path buildDirectory {"builddir"};  
std::cout << buildDirectory.string() << std::endl;
```

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- Streams
- std::unordered_map

std::filesystem utilities

- Copy a file or directory:

```
std::filesystem::path sourceFile {"main.cpp"};  
std::filesystem::path destinationFile {"other.cpp"};  
std::filesystem::copy(sourceFile, destinationFile,  
                      std::filesystem::copy_options::recursive);
```



Not required, but recommended for directories

- Create a directory (including nested ones):

```
std::filesystem::path directoryToCreate {"src/core/main"};  
std::filesystem::create_directories(directoryToCreate);
```

std::filesystem utilities

- Delete a file or directory:

```
std::filesystem::path directoryToDelete {"builddir"};  
std::filesystem::remove_all(directoryToDelete);
```

- Rename a file or directory:

```
std::filesystem::path currentPath {"main.cpp"};  
std::filesystem::path destinationPath {"bettermain.cpp"};  
std::filesystem::rename(currentPath, destinationPath);
```

- Get the size of a file in bytes:

```
std::filesystem::path pathToFile {"main.cpp"};  
unsigned long fileSize = std::filesystem::file_size(pathToFile);  
std::cout << "File size: " << fileSize << std::endl;
```

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Output file stream (std::ofstream)

- Used for writing files.
 - If the file does not yet exist, it is created automatically
 - The containing directory must already exist
- Requires the `<fstream>` header to be included
- Writing to an output file works the same as `std::cout`!

```
std::filesystem::path filePath {"results.txt"};  
std::ofstream outputStream {filePath};
```

```
outputStream << "This will be in the output file" << std::endl;
```

Input file stream (std::ifstream)

- Used for reading files
- Also requires the `<fstream>` header to be included

- Used in the same way as `std::cin`!

```
std::filesystem::path inputFilePath {"measurements.txt"};  
std::ifstream inputStream {inputFilePath};
```

```
std::string word;  
inputStream >> word;  
std::cout << word << std::endl;
```

Remember: `std::cin`
reads one word at a time

```
std::string line;  
std::getline(inputStream, line);  
std::cout << line << std::endl;
```

The `std::getline()` function can
be used to read a line of text

Spoiler Alert!




Using any data type with streams

Using operator overloading (more details next week), we can use any data type with `std::cout` or `std::ofstream`!

```
struct Point {  
    double x = 0;  
    double y = 0;  
};
```

Put the data type that you want
to use with `std::cout` here



```
std::ostream& operator<< (std::ostream& stream, Point point) {  
    stream << "[" << point.x << ", " << point.y << "];"  
    return stream;  
}
```

Use the stream variable as you would use `std::cout`



And remember to return the stream



Using any data type with streams

Printing out private fields of a class is also possible, although it requires declaring the **operator**<< function as a **friend** (explained next week)

```
class Point {  
    double x = 0;  
    double y = 0;  
    friend std::ostream& operator<< (std::ostream& stream,  
                                     Point point);  
};  
  
std::ostream& operator<< (std::ostream& stream, Point point) {  
    stream << "[" << point.x << ", " << point.y << "];"  
    return stream;  
}
```

Using any data type with streams

For using `std::cin` and `std::ifstream`, the **operator>>** function can be used.

```
struct Point {  
    double x = 0;  
    double y = 0;  
    friend std::istream& operator>> (std::istream& stream,  
                                     Point& point)  
};  
  
std::istream& operator>> (std::istream& stream, Point& point) {  
    stream >> point.x;  
    stream >> point.y;  
    return stream;  
}
```

↑
It is important the value being
read is passed by reference!



...and now for something completely different

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- **`std::unordered_map`**

std::unordered_map and std::map

- Maps connect a unique “key” value to an associated and not necessarily unique “value”
- Include the <map> or <unordered_map> header
- The C++ equivalent of a dictionary in Python

Jalapeno	→	5,000
Serrano	→	15,000
Cayenne	→	40,000
Ghost pepper	→	900,000
Carolina reaper	→	2,200,000

std::unordered_map and std::map

- Declaring a map:

```
std::unordered_map<std::string, std::string> opposites;
```

Data type of key values

Data type of mapped values

- Insert a value into the map:

```
opposites.insert({"true", "false"});
```

```
opposites.insert({"false", "true"});
```

- Read a value:

```
std::string value = opposites.at("false");
```

```
std::cout << value << std::endl; // prints true
```

std::unordered_map and std::map

- **Do NOT use the [] operator!**

```
std::unordered_map<std::string, double> strengths;  
if(strengths["Cayenne"] < 1000) {  
    std::cout << "Cayenne is under 1000" << std::endl;  
}
```

When using the [] operator, if the value being requested is not in the map, *it is created implicitly* even when you are not explicitly assigning a value.

Always use insert() and at() instead.

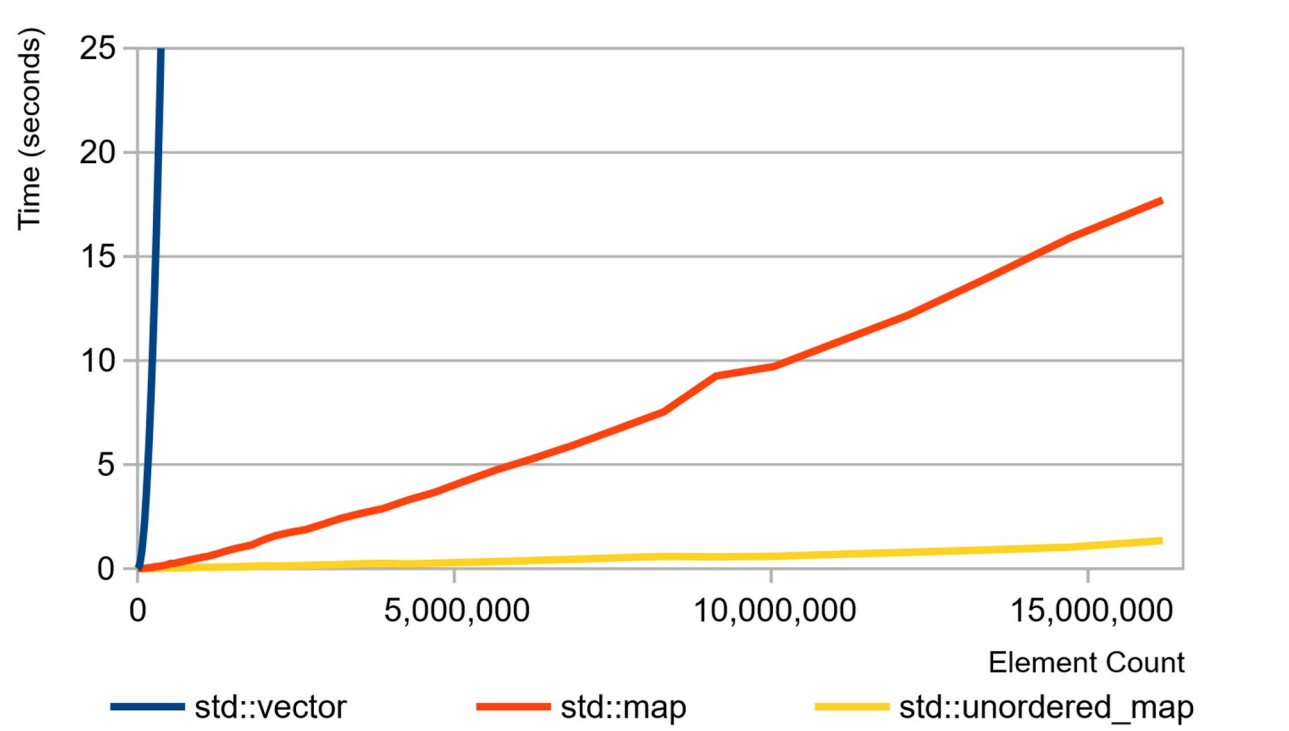
std::unordered_map and std::map

Initialisation and iterating over contents:

```
std::unordered_map<std::string, double> strengths {  
    {"Jalapeno", 5000.0},  
    {"Serrano", 15000.0},  
    {"Cayenne", 40000.0}  
};  
  
for(const std::pair<std::string, double> entry : strengths)  
{  
    std::cout << entry.first << " -> "  
              << entry.second << std::endl;  
}
```

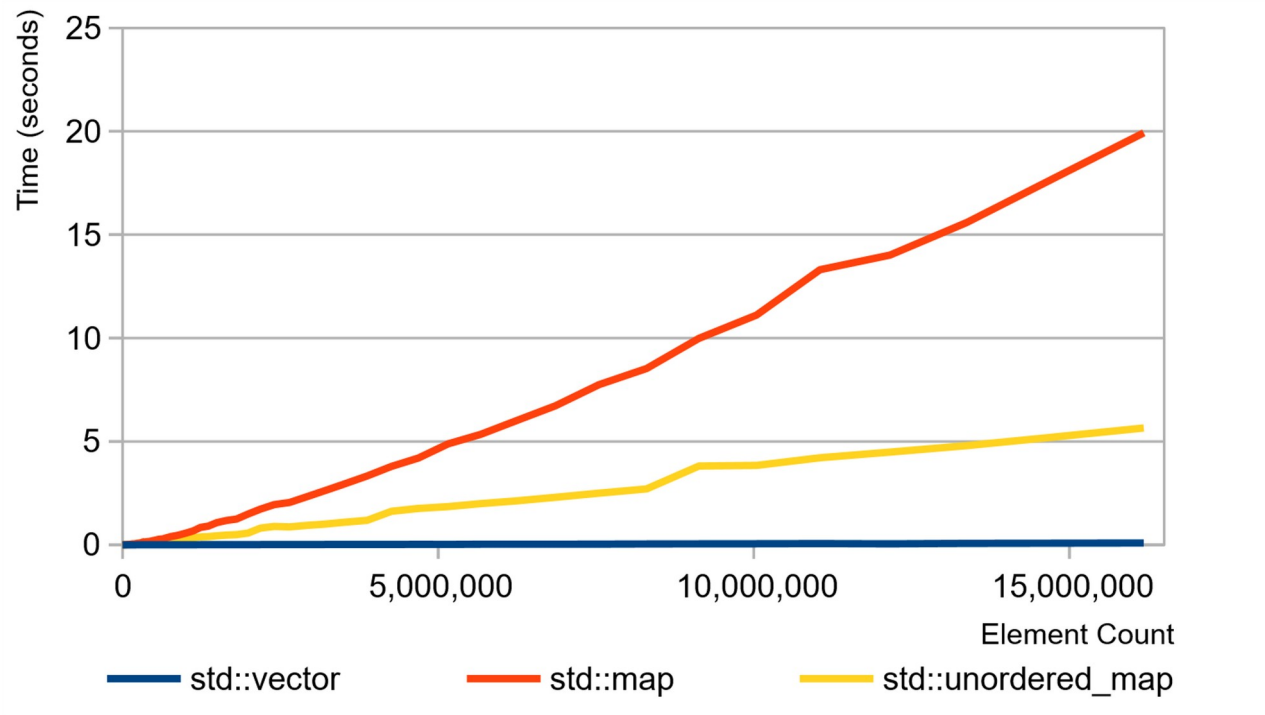
`std::unordered_map` is usually faster than `std::map`

Searching / retrieving each element



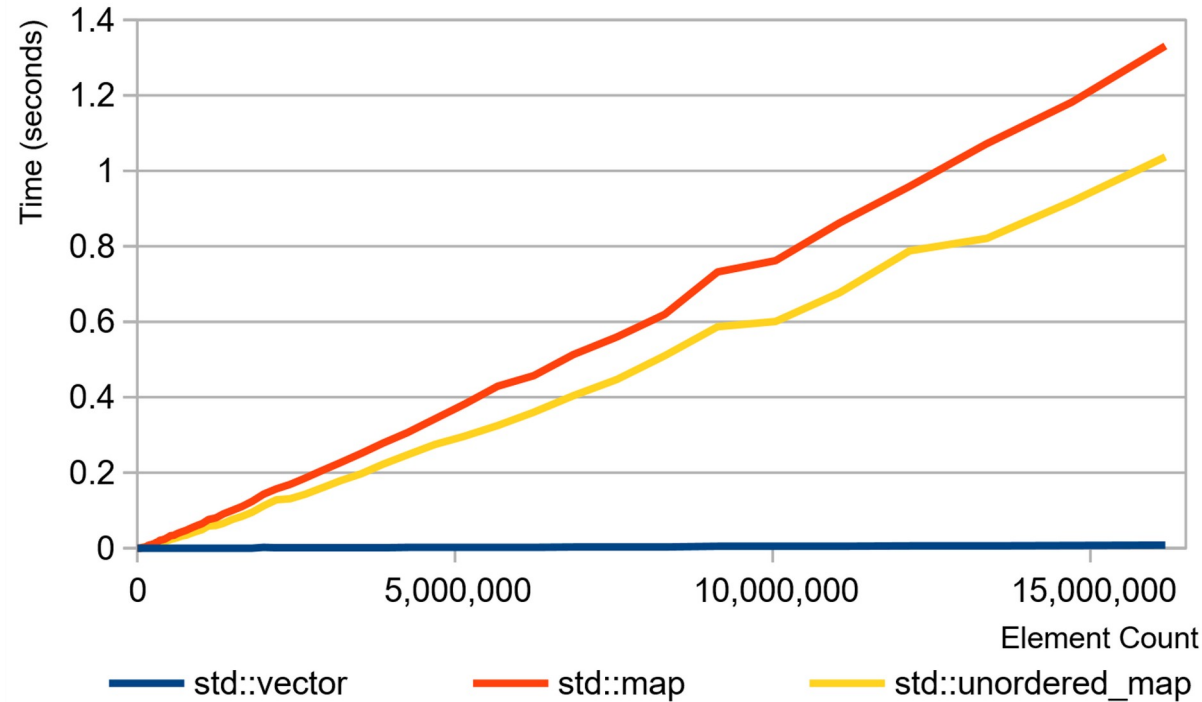
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Inserting elements



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Iterating over all elements



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Next week

- Inheritance
- Operator overloading
- Friend keyword