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1 Introduction

This proposal is to change template classes `stack`, `queue`, and `priority queue` in sections from 23.1.9 to 23.1.11. With the current design, users have to provide container class with the data type, for example, `stack<deque<int> >`. The change makes it possible to specify the data type only, that is, `stack<int>`. In addition, with the current vector and stack design, `vector<T>` is a vector of T's and `stack<T>` is a stack implemented by T, this would cause needless confusion. The change makes that `stack<T>` is a stack of T's with the same meaning as of `vector<T>`. Notice that apart from the change in the template parameters, the new design is the same as the current one.

1.1 Stack

Any sequence supporting operations `back`, `push_back` and `pop_back` can be used to instantiate the type parameter `Sequence` in `stack`. In particular, `vector`, `list` and `deque` can be used. `deque` is the default.

```
template <class T, template<class Element> class Sequence = deque,  
         class Allocator = allocator>  
class stack {  
friend bool operator==(const stack<T, Sequence, Allocator>& x,  
                       const stack<T, Sequence, Allocator>& y);  
friend bool operator<(const stack<T, Sequence, Allocator>& x,  
                     const stack<T, Sequence, Allocator>& y);  
protected:  
    typedef Sequence<T, Allocator> Container;  
    Container c;  
public:  
    typedef Container::value_type value_type;  
    typedef Container::size_type size_type;  
    bool empty() const { return c.empty(); }  
    size_type size() const { return c.size(); }  
    value_type& top() { return c.back(); }  
    const value_type& top() const { return c.back(); }  
    void push(const value_type& x) { c.push_back(x); }  
    void pop() { c.pop_back(); }  
};  
  
template <class T, template<class Element> class Sequence, class Allocator>  
bool operator==(const stack<T, Sequence, Allocator>& x,  
               const stack<T, Sequence, Allocator>& y) {  
    return x.c == y.c;  
}  
  
template <class T, template<class Element> class Sequence, class Allocator>  
bool operator<(const stack<T, Sequence, Allocator>& x,  
              const stack<T, Sequence, Allocator>& y) {  
    return x.c < y.c;  
}
```

For example, `stack<int>` is an integer stack made out of `deque`, and `stack<char, vector>` is a character stack made out of `vector`.

1.2 Queue

Any sequence supporting operations `front`, `back`, `push_back` and `pop_front` can be used to instantiate the type parameter `Sequence` in `queue`. In particular, `list` and `deque` can be used. `deque` is the default since it takes less space.

```
template <class T, template<class Element> class Sequence = deque,
         class Allocator = allocator>
class queue {
friend bool operator==(const queue<T, Sequence, Allocator>& x,
                      const queue<T, Sequence, Allocator>& y);
friend bool operator<(const queue<T, Sequence, Allocator>& x,
                    const queue<T, Sequence, Allocator>& y);
protected:
    typedef Sequence<T, Allocator> Container;
    Container c;
public:
    typedef Container::value_type value_type;
    typedef Container::size_type size_type;
    bool empty() const { return c.empty(); }
    size_type size() const { return c.size(); }
    value_type& front() { return c.front(); }
    const value_type& front() const { return c.front(); }
    value_type& back() { return c.back(); }
    const value_type& back() const { return c.back(); }
    void push(const value_type& x) { c.push_back(x); }
    void pop() { c.pop_front(); }
};

template <class T, template<class Element> class Sequence, class Allocator>
bool operator==(const queue<T, Sequence, Allocator>& x,
               const queue<T, Sequence, Allocator>& y) {
    return x.c == y.c;
}

template <class T, template<class Element> class Sequence, class Allocator>
bool operator<(const queue<T, Sequence, Allocator>& x,
              const queue<T, Sequence, Allocator>& y) {
    return x.c < y.c;
}
```

For example, `queue<int>` is an integer queue made out of `deque`, and `queue<double, list>` is a double queue made out of `list`.

1.3 Priority queue

Any sequence with random access iterator and supporting operations `front`, `push_back` and `pop_back` can be used to instantiate the type parameter `Sequence` in `priority_queue`. In particular, `vector` and `deque` can be used. `vector` is the default since random access on `vector` takes less time than on `deque`.

```
template <class T, class Compare = less<T>,
         template<class Element> class Sequence = vector,
         class Allocator = allocator>
class priority_queue {
protected:
    typedef Sequence<T, Allocator> Container;
    Container c;
    Compare comp;
public:
```

```

typedef Container::value_type value_type;
typedef Container::size_type size_type;
priority_queue(const Compare& x = Compare()) : c(), comp(x) {}
template <class InputIterator>
priority_queue(InputIterator first, InputIterator last,
               const Compare& x = Compare()) : c(first, last), comp(x) {
    make_heap(c.begin(), c.end(), comp);
}
bool empty() const { return c.empty(); }
size_type size() const { return c.size(); }
const value_type& top() const { return c.front(); }
void push(const value_type& x) {
    c.push_back(x);
    push_heap(c.begin(), c.end(), comp);
}
void pop() {
    pop_heap(c.begin(), c.end(), comp);
    c.pop_back();
}
};

// no equality or less_than operators

```

For example, `priority_queue<int>` is an integer priority queue made out of vector, and `priority_queue<short, deque>` is a short stack made out of deque.

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