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## About This Book

This book provides reference material for SOMobjects. It contains a reference page for every class and method that the SOMobjects runtime library provides. It contains syntax and a brief description for every method that the SOMobjects runtime library provides.

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## Who Should Use This Book

This book is for programmers who:

- Use SOMobjects to build object-oriented class libraries.
- Code application programs that use SOMobjects class libraries or SOMobjects frameworks.

This book assumes that the reader is an experienced programmer who is familiar with basic concepts of object-oriented programming. Practical experience with an object-oriented programming language is helpful but not essential.

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## How This Book Is Organized

This book describes the classes and methods that are part of the Collection Classes.

The description of a SOMobjects class contains the following information:

<b>Purpose</b>	The purpose of the class.
<b>Member Name</b>	The member name associated with the IDL interface (.IDL) file and usage binding (.h/.xh/.hh) files for the class. The member resides in the partitioned data set (PDS) that contains the SOMobjects IDL or header library.
<b>Import Name</b>	The import name associated with the definition side deck needed by the prelink and link job for the class.
<b>Base Class</b>	The class's direct base (parent) classes.
<b>Metaclass</b>	The class's metaclass.
<b>Ancestor Classes</b>	The class's ancestor (indirect base) classes.
<b>Subclasses</b>	Classes that inherit attributes of parent classes; also called <i>child classes</i> .
<b>Types</b>	Actual data types; descriptions of what each class looks like to the user and the compiler.
<b>Attributes</b>	The content of a class or object. Also called <i>data</i> .
<b>New Methods</b>	The names of the methods that the class introduces (grouped roughly according to purpose). Each new method is documented on a separate reference page.
<b>Overriding Methods</b>	The names of the methods that the class overrides from ancestor classes.

The description of a SOMobjects method contains the following information:

<b>Purpose</b>	The purpose of the method.
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<b>Syntax</b>	The method's C/C++ procedure prototype (which includes the method procedure's return type and the names and types of its parameters). The in/out/inout keywords associated with each of the method's parameters in the method's IDL declaration are also shown. These keywords are shown for information only; they are not actually present in the method procedure prototype.
<b>Parameters</b>	Descriptions of parameters for each method.
<b>Restrictions and Limitations</b>	Descriptions of restrictions and limitations associated with calling each method.
<b>Returned Values</b>	A description of the method's return value.
<b>Example</b>	An example of using or overriding the method, written in C or C++ language. (Methods of SOMobjects classes can be issued from any language that can use SOMobjects.) See <i>OS/390 SOMobjects Programmer's Guide</i> for information about SOMobjects naming conventions.
<b>Original Class</b>	The name of the class that introduces the method (the class is documented separately in this book).
<b>Related Information</b>	Related methods and functions (and macros, for the SOMobjects kernel) that can be found in this book.

## Where to Find More Information

The book references the following publications using the shortened version of the book title. The following table lists the shortened titles, complete titles, and order numbers of the books you might need while you are using this book.

Short Title Used in This Book	Title	Order Number
<i>OS/390 SOMobjects: Getting Started</i>	<i>OS/390 SOMobjects: Getting Started</i>	GA22-7248
<i>OS/390 SOMobjects Messages, Codes, and Diagnosis</i>	<i>OS/390 SOMobjects Messages, Codes, and Diagnosis</i>	SC28-1996
<i>OS/390 SOMobjects Object Services</i>	<i>OS/390 SOMobjects Object Services</i>	SC28-1995
<i>OS/390 SOMobjects Programmer's Reference, Volume 1</i>	<i>OS/390 SOMobjects Programmer's Reference, Volume 1</i>	SC28-1997
<i>OS/390 SOMobjects Programmer's Reference, Volume 2</i>	<i>OS/390 SOMobjects Programmer's Reference, Volume 2</i>	SC28-1998
<i>OS/390 SOMobjects Configuration and Administration Guide</i>	<i>OS/390 SOMobjects Configuration and Administration Guide</i>	GC28-1851
<i>OS/390 SOMobjects Programmer's Guide</i>	<i>OS/390 SOMobjects Programmer's Guide</i>	GC28-1859



## **CORBA Publications**

- *The Common Object Request Broker: Architecture and Specification*, published by the Object Management Group and X/Open.

## **C++ Publications**

- *Algorithms in C++* published by Addison-Wesley.



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## Summary of Changes

### **Summary of Changes for SC28-1999-01 OS/390 Release 4**

This book contains information previously presented in *OS/390 SOMobjects Programmer's Reference, Volume 3*, SC28-1999-00, which supports Version 1 Release 3.

This book includes terminology, maintenance, and editorial changes. Technical changes or additions to the text and illustrations are indicated by a vertical line to the left of the change.

#### ***New Information***

- Import Name was added to each class.
- Part 1. Inheritance Hierarchy of the Collection Classes



# Inheritance Hierarchy of the Collection Classes

The inheritance hierarchy for the collection classes is depicted in the following figure. The diagram does not illustrate all of the classes, only those that have some position in the inheritance hierarchy of the set. Classes not shown include `somf_TPrimitiveLinkedList`, `somf_TPrimitiveLinkedListIterator`, and `somf_TsortedSequenceNode`; all of which inherit directly from `SOMObject`.

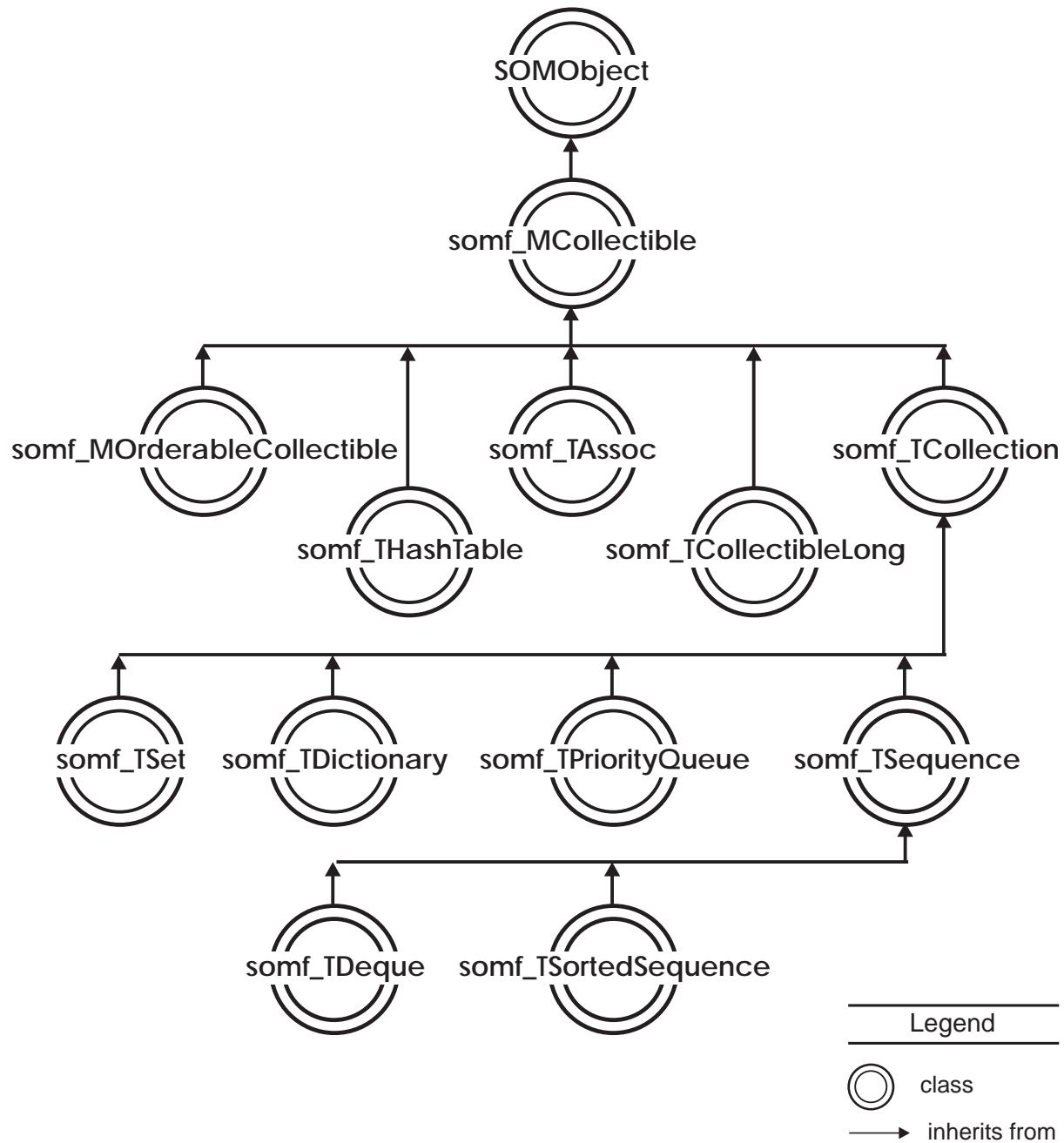
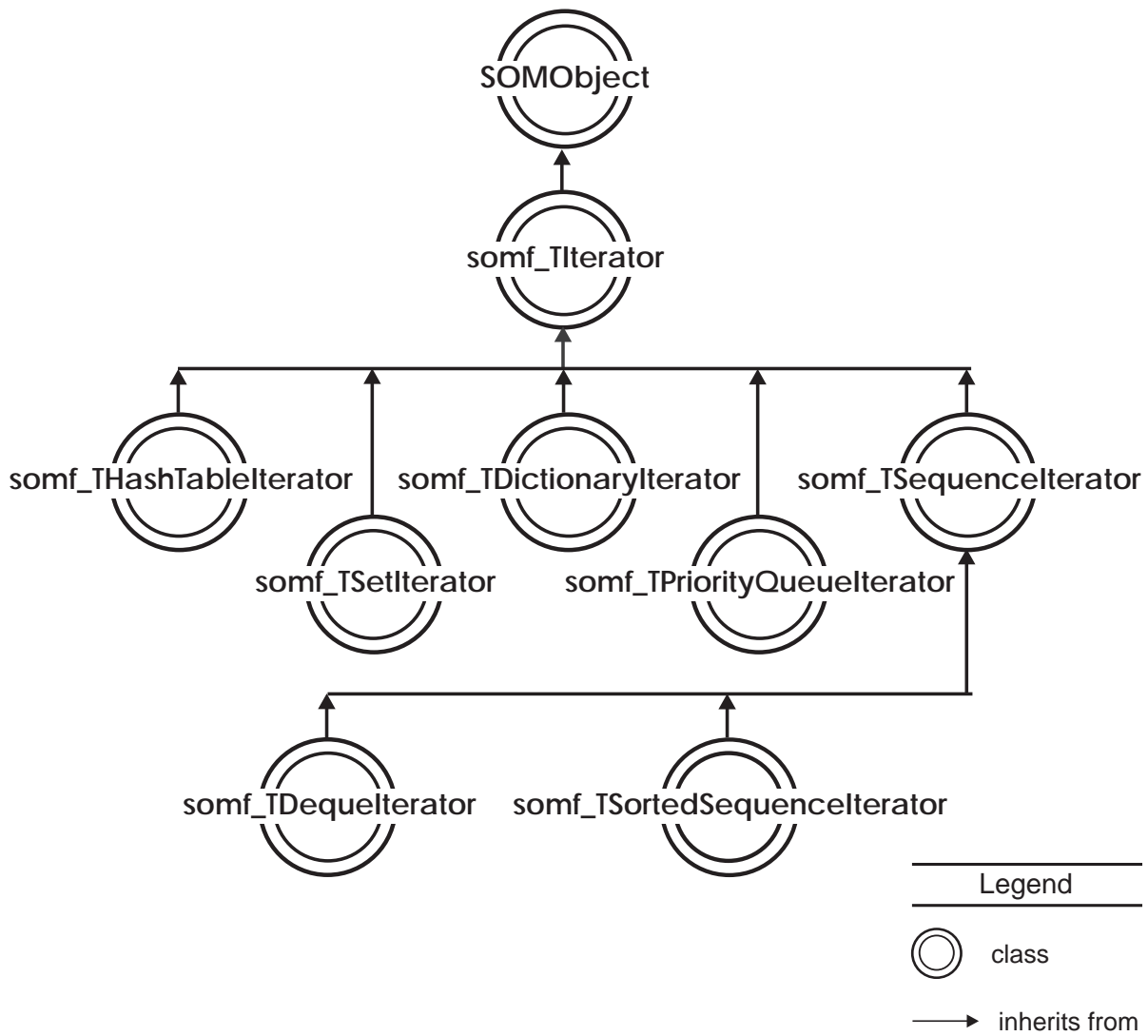


Figure 1. Inheritance Hierarchy of Collection Classes, Part One



| Figure 2. Inheritance Hierarchy of Collection Classes, Part Two

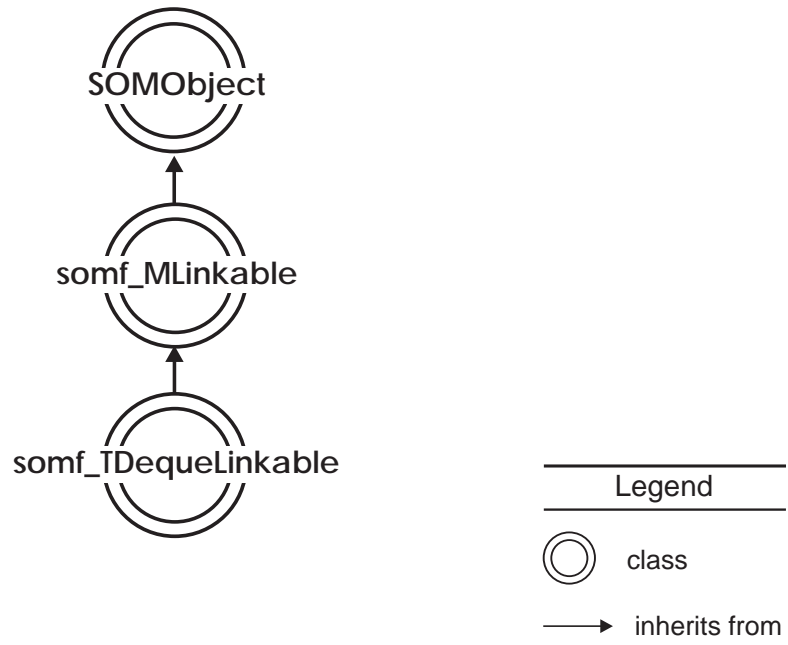


Figure 3. Inheritance Hierarchy of Collection Classes, Part Three





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## Chapter 1. somf\_MCollectible Class

The somf\_MCollectible class represents the generic class from which most other collection classes are derived. It can be critical for subclasses to define some or all of the methods presented below.

The reason new classes inherit from somf\_MCollectible is that instances of the inheriting class can be inserted into a main collection classes. All classes that inherit from somf\_MCollectible must override either somflsEqual Method or somflsSame Method, depending on the method the new class plans to use for comparison. The somfHash Method will probably need to be overridden. This class is not thread-safe.

### Member Name:

mcollect

### Import Name:

GOSSOMUC

### Base Class:

SOMObject

### Metaclass:

SOMClass

### Ancestor Classes:

SOMObject

### Subclasses:

None.

### Types:

The following typedefs are defined in the somf\_MCollectible class:

#### **somf\_MCollectibleCompareFn**

A method pointer to a somflsEqual or somflsSame method.

#### **somf\_MCollectibleHashFn**

A method pointer to a somfHash method.

### Attributes:

The following defines originate in this class:

**SOMF\_NIL** A representation of nil used by the collection classes.

#### **SOMF\_CALL\_COMPARE\_FN**

A define to help call the method pointed to by somf\_MCollectibleCompareFn.

## **SOMF\_CALL\_HASH\_FN**

A define to help call the method pointed to by  
somf\_MCollectibleHashFn.

### **New Methods:**

- somfClone
- somfClonePointer
- somfHash
- somflsEqual
- somflsSame
- somflsNotEqual

### **Overriding Methods:**

None.

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## somfClone Method

### Purpose

Provides a general polymorphic duplication operation.

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfClone ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_MCollectible.  
**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to a new object of the same class as the receiver. The receiving object must be an object of the somf\_MCollectible class or of a class that inherits from somf\_MCollectible. The somfClone method determines the true class of the receiver and creates a new instance of that class, and then returns a pointer to that instance.

### Example

```
somf_MCollectible clone;  
somf_TSortedSequence ss;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
ss = somf_TSortedSequenceNew();  
clone = _somfClone(ss, ev);  
somPrintf("\n Clone returned Class %s\n",  
          _somGetClassName(clone));  
_somFree (ss);  
_somFree (clone);
```

### Original Class

somf\_MCollectible

### Related Information

somfClonePointer

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## somfClonePointer Method

### Purpose

Returns a pointer to a Clone.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfClonePointer(  
    in somf_MCollectible clonee);
```

### Parameters

- receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_MCollectible.
- ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
- clonee** A pointer to the somf\_MCollectible to be cloned.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

There are two possible valid return values for this method:

**somf\_MCollectible**

A pointer to a new instance of the calling class, which inherits from the somf\_MCollectible class.

**SOMF\_NIL** The clonee is nil, so a clone could not be created.

### Example

```
somf_MCollectible clone;  
somf_TSortedSequence ss;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
ss = somf_TSortedSequenceNew();  
clone = _somfClonePointer(ss, ev, ss);  
somPrintf("\n Clone returned Class %s\n",  
    _somGetClassName(clone));  
_somFree (ss);  
_somFree (clone);
```

### Original Class

somf\_MCollectible

## Related Information

somfClone

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## somfHash Method

### Purpose

Returns a value suitable for use as a hashing probe for the receiving object.

This method should be overridden if a class inherits from `somf_MCollectible`. The default function will simply return the address of the object. The default function is almost certainly not adequate if you are overriding `somfIsEqual` Method, because you need to make sure that all objects that are equal to each other return the same hash value.

### Syntax

```
long somfHash ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_MCollectible`.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns the hash value for the receiving object.

### Example

```
<Your class which inherits from somf_MCollectible> obj;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
obj = <Your class which inherits from somf_MCollectible>New();  
somPrintf(" The Hashing probe for obj is %d\n", _somfHash(obj,ev));  
_somFree (obj);
```

### Original Class

`somf_MCollectible`

### Related Information

None.

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## somflsEqual Method

### Purpose

Returns TRUE if a given *obj* is isomorphic to the receiving object.

Most utility classes allow you to specify what methods to use when comparing objects for insertion, deletion. The choice is to use either the `somflsEqual` method, or the `somflsSame` Method.

This method must be overridden if a class inherits from `somf_MCollectible`. If it is not overridden, and this method is used, an error message is written and processing will end.

### Syntax

```
boolean somflsEqual(  
    in somf_MCollectible obj);
```

### Parameters

- receiver** A pointer to an object of class `somf_MCollectible`.
- ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
- obj** A pointer to the `somf_MCollectible` object that the receiving object will be compared against.

### Restrictions and Limitations

You cannot use this method directly from this class; it must be overridden. If you invoke this method directly, an error message is written and processing will end.

### Returned Values

This method returns a boolean value:

- TRUE** *Obj* is equal to the receiving object.
- FALSE** *Obj* is not equal to the receiving object.

### Example

The following example shows how to use this method once it is overridden.

```
<Your class which inherits from somf_MCollectible> obj;  
<Your class which inherits from somf_MCollectible> obj2;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
obj = <Your class which inherits from somf_MCollectible>New();  
obj2 = <Your class which inherits from somf_MCollectible>New();  
if (_somflsEqual(obj, ev, obj2))  
    somPrintf(" obj is equal to obj2\n");  
_somFree (obj);  
_somFree (obj2);
```

## Original Class

somf\_MCollectible

## Related Information

somflsNotEqual



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## somflsNotEqual Method

### Purpose

Returns TRUE if a specified *obj* is not isomorphic to the receiving object. This method uses *somflsEqual*. If a class inherits from *somf\_MCollectible*, *somflsEqual* must be overridden for this method to work.

### Syntax

```
boolean somflsNotEqual(  
    in somf_MCollectible obj);
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class *somf\_MCollectible*.  
**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**obj** A pointer to the *somf\_MCollectible* object that the receiving object will be compared against.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a boolean value:

**TRUE** *Obj* is not equal to the receiving object.  
**FALSE** *Obj* is equal to the receiving object.

### Example

```
<Your class which inherits from somf_MCollectible> obj;  
<Your class which inherits from somf_MCollectible> obj2;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
obj = <Your class which inherits from somf_MCollectible>New();  
obj2 = <Your class which inherits from somf_MCollectible>New();  
if (_somflsNotEqual(obj, ev, obj2))  
    somPrintf(" obj is NOT equal to obj2\n");  
_somFree (obj);  
_somFree (obj2);
```

### Original Class

*somf\_MCollectible*

## Related Information

somflsEqual

---

## somflsSame Method

### Purpose

Performs a pointer comparison between the receiving object and another specified object, *obj*.

### Syntax

```
boolean somflsSame(  
    in somf_MCollectible obj);
```

### Parameters

- receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_MCollectible.
- ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
- obj** A pointer to the somf\_MCollectible object that the receiving object will be compared against.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a boolean value:

- TRUE** *Obj* is the same as the receiving object.
- FALSE** *Obj* is not the same as the receiving object.

### Example

```
<Your class which inherits from somf_MCollectible> obj;  
<Your class which inherits from somf_MCollectible> obj2;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
obj = <Your class which inherits from somf_MCollectible>New();  
obj2 = <Your class which inherits from somf_MCollectible>New();  
if (_somflsSame(obj, ev, obj2))  
    somPrintf(" obj is the same as obj2\n");  
_somFree (obj);  
_somFree (obj2);
```

### Original Class

somf\_MCollectible

## Related Information

None.

---

## Chapter 2. somf\_MLinkable Class

This class defines the general characteristics of objects that contain links. For example, somf\_TPrimitiveLinkedListIterator Class uses somf\_MLinkable.

Other classes would inherit from somf\_MLinkable if the user plans to link one class to another class, either in a somf\_TPrimitiveLinkedList or through another class.

This class is not thread-safe.

### Member Name:

mLink

### Import Name:

GOSSOMUC

### Base Class:

SOMObject

### Metaclass:

SOMClass

### Ancestor Classes:

SOMObject

### Subclasses:

None.

### Types:

None.

### Attributes:

None.

### New Methods:

- somfGetNext
- somfGetPrevious
- somfMLinkableInit
- somfSetNext
- somfSetPrevious

### Overriding Methods:

somDefaultInit

---

## somfGetNext Method

### Purpose

Gets a pointer to the next somf\_MLinkable object.

### Syntax

```
somf_MLinkable somfGetNext ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class somf\_MLinkable.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns the pointer to the next somf\_MLinkable object.

### Example

```
somf_MLinkable m1;  
somf_MLinkable m2;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
m1 = somf_MLinkableNew();  
/* Determine m1's next pointer */  
m2 = _somfGetNext(m1, ev);  
_somFree (m1);
```

### Original Class

somf\_MLinkable

### Related Information

somfSetNext  
somfSetPrevious

---

## somfGetPrevious Method

### Purpose

Gets a pointer to the previous somf\_MLinkable object.

### Syntax

```
somf_MLinkable somfGetPrevious ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_MLinkable.  
**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns the pointer the previous somf\_MLinkable object.

### Example

```
somf_MLinkable m1;  
somf_MLinkable m2;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
m1 = somf_MLinkableNew();  
/* Determine m1's previous pointer */  
m2 = _somfGetPrevious(m1, ev);  
_somFree (m1);
```

### Original Class

somf\_MLinkable

### Related Information

somfGetNext  
somfSetPrevious

---

## somfMLinkableInit Method

### Purpose

Initializes a new somf\_MLinkable object, given pointers to its next and previous objects.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
somf_MLinkable somfMLinkableInit (  
    in somf_MLinkable n,  
    in somf_MLinkable p);
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class somf\_MLinkable.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**n**              A pointer to the next somf\_MLinkable object.  
**p**              A pointer to the previous somf\_MLinkable object.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to an initialized somf\_MLinkable object.

### Example

```
somf_MLinkable ml;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
ml = somf_MLinkableNew();  
_somfMLinkableInit(ml, ev, SOMF_NIL, SOMF_NIL);  
_somFree (ml);
```

### Original Class

somf\_MLinkable

### Related Information

None.



---

## somfSetNext Method

### Purpose

Sets a link pointer to the next somf\_MLinkable object, given a pointer to the object that should come after the receiving object.

### Syntax

```
void somfSetNext(  
    in somf_MLinkable aLink);
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_MLinkable.  
**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**aLink** A pointer to the somf\_MLinkable object which should be next after the receiving object.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
somf_MLinkable m1;  
somf_MLinkable m2;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
m1 = somf_MLinkableNew();  
m2 = somf_MLinkableNew();  
/* Set m1's next and previous pointers */  
/* Set m2 to point to m1 as the next link */  
_somfSetNext(m2, ev, m1);  
_somFree (m1);  
_somFree (m2);
```

### Original Class

somf\_MLinkable

### Related Information

somfGetNext  
somfSetPrevious

---

## somfSetPrevious Method

### Purpose

Sets a link pointer to the previous somf\_MLinkable object, given a pointer to the object that should come before the receiving object.

### Syntax

```
void somfSetPrevious(  
    in somf_MLinkable aLink);
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_MLinkable.

**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

**aLink** A pointer to the somf\_MLinkable object, which should be previous to the receiving object.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
somf_MLinkable m1;  
somf_MLinkable m2;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
m1 = somf_MLinkableNew();  
m2 = somf_MLinkableNew();  
/* Set m1's next and previous pointers */  
/* Set m2 to point to m1 as the previous link */  
_somfSetPrevious(m2, ev, m1);  
_somFree (m1);  
_somFree (m2);
```

### Original Class

somf\_MLinkable

### Related Information

somfGetPrevious  
somfSetNext

---

## Chapter 3. somf\_MOrderableCollectible Class

Characteristics of the somf\_MOrderableCollectible class should be mixed into objects that might need to be ordered. Objects passed to an instance of somf\_TPriorityQueue Class or somf\_TSortedSequence Class must have somf\_MOrderableCollectible mixed into them.

A class will inherit from somf\_MOrderableCollectible if it represents an element in an ordered collection. All classes that inherit from somf\_MOrderableCollectible must override the somfIsEqual method that is inherited from somf\_MCollectible Class, and somfIsLessThan and somfIsGreaterThan methods. This class is not thread-safe.

### Member Name:

morder

### Import Name:

GOSSOMUC

### Base Class:

somf\_MCollectible

### Metaclass:

SOMClass

### Ancestor Classes:

somf\_MCollectible  
SOMObject

### Subclasses:

None.

### Types:

The following typedefs are defined in the somf\_MOrderableCollectible class:

#### **somf\_MOrderableCompareFn**

A method pointer to a somfIsLessThan or somfIsGreaterThan method.

#### **somf\_MBetterOrderableCompareFn**

A method pointer to a somfCompare method.

### Attributes:

The following defines originate in this class:

#### **SOMF\_CALL\_ORDERABLE\_COMPARE\_FN**

A define to help call the method pointed to by somf\_MOrderableCompareFn.

## **SOMF\_CALL\_BETTER\_ORDERABLE\_COMPARE\_FN**

A define to help call the method pointed to by  
somf\_MBetterOrderableCompareFn.

### **New Methods:**

- somflsGreaterThan
- somflsLessThan
- somfCompare
- somflsGreaterThanOrEqualTo
- somflsGreaterThanOrEqualTo

---

## somfCompare Method

### Purpose

Compares a specified *obj* to the receiving object, and returns a value indicating *obj*'s comparative size.

The return value indicates whether *obj* is greater than, less than, or equal to the receiving object.

The `somfIsEqual` method inherited from `somf_MCollectible` Class, as well as methods `somfIsLessThan` and `somfIsGreaterThan` of the `somf_MOrderableCollectible` class, must be overridden before this method will work.

### Syntax

```
EComparisonResult somfCompare(  
    in somf_MOrderableCollectible  
    obj);
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class `somf_MOrderableCollectible`.  
**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**obj** A pointer to the object to which the receiving object will be compared.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

There are three possible valid return values for this method:

**kLessThan** *Obj* is less than the receiving object.

**kEqual** *Obj* is equal to the receiving object.

**kGreaterThan**  
*Obj* is greater than the receiving object.

### Example

```

<Your Class which inherits from somf_MOrderableCollectible> a1;
<Your Class which inherits from somf_MOrderableCollectible> a2;
Environment *ev;
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();
a1 = <Your Class which inherits from
    somf_MOrderableCollectible>New();
a2 = <Your Class which inherits from
    somf_MOrderableCollectible>New();
/* Set a1 and a2 as you wish */
/* Compare a1 and a2 */
if ( _somfCompare(a2,ev,a1) == \n
    somf_MOrderableCollectible_kLessThan)
    somPrintf(" a1 is less than a2);
else
    somPrintf(" a1 is NOT less than a2);
if ( _somfCompare(a1,ev,a2) == \n
    somf_MOrderableCollectible_kGreaterThan)
    somPrintf(" a2 is greater than a1);
else
    somPrintf(" a2 is NOT greater than a1");
if ( _somfCompare(a2,ev,a2) == somf_MOrderableCollectible_kEqual)
    somPrintf(" a2 is equal a2);
else
    somPrintf(" a2 is NOT equal to a2");
_somFree (a1);
_somFree (a2);

```

## Original Class

somf\_MOrderableCollectible

## Related Information

[somflsEqual](#)  
[somflsGreaterThan](#)  
[somflsLessThan](#)

---

## somflsGreaterTan Method

### Purpose

Compares two objects and returns TRUE if a given *obj* is "greater than" the receiving object.

This method must be overridden if a class inherits from *somf\_MOrderableCollectible*. If not, an error message is written and processing will end.

### Syntax

```
boolean somflsGreaterTan(  
    in somf_MOrderableCollectible  
    obj);
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class *somf\_MOrderableCollectible*.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**obj**            A pointer to the object to which the receiving object will be compared.

### Restrictions and Limitations

You cannot use this method directly from this class; it must be overridden.

### Returned Values

This method returns the boolean values TRUE or FALSE, depending on if *obj* "Is Greater Than" the receiving object.

### Example

The following example shows how you would use this method once it is overridden.

```
<Your Class which inherits from somf_MOrderableCollectible> a1;  
<Your Class which inherits from somf_MOrderableCollectible> a2;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
a1 = <Your Class which inherits from  
                                     somf_MOrderableCollectible>New();  
a2 = <Your Class which inherits from  
                                     somf_MOrderableCollectible>New();  
/* Set a1 and a2 as you wish */  
/* Compare a1 and a2 */  
if ( _somflsGreaterTan(a2, ev, a1)  
    somPrintf(" a1 is greater than a2\n");  
else  
    somPrintf(" a1 is NOT greater than a2\n");  
_somFree (a1);  
_somFree (a2);
```

## Original Class

somf\_MOrderableCollectible

## Related Information

somflsEqual

somflsGreaterThanOrEqualTo

somflsLessThan





## Original Class

somf\_MOrderableCollectible

## Related Information

somflsEqual  
somflsGreaterThan  
somflsLessThan

---

## somflsLessThan Method

### Purpose

Compares two objects and returns TRUE if a given *obj* is "less than" the receiving object.

This method must be overridden if a class inherits from `somf_MOrderableCollectible`. If not, an error message is written and processing will end.

### Syntax

```
boolean somflsLessThan(  
    in somf_MOrderableCollectible  
    obj);
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class `somf_MOrderableCollectible`.  
**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**obj** A pointer to the object to which the receiving object will be compared.

### Restrictions and Limitations

You cannot use this method directly from this class; it must be overridden.

### Returned Values

This method returns the boolean values TRUE or FALSE, depending on whether *obj* "Is Less Than" the receiving object.

### Example

The following example shows how you would use this method once it is overridden.

```
<Your Class which inherits from somf_MOrderableCollectible> a1;  
<Your Class which inherits from somf_MOrderableCollectible> a2;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
a1 = <Your Class which inherits from  
    somf_MOrderableCollectible>New();  
a2 = <Your Class which inherits from  
    somf_MOrderableCollectible>New();  
/* Set a1 and a2 as you wish */  
/* Compare a1 and a2 */  
if ( _somflsLessThan(a2, ev, a1))  
    somPrintf(" a1 is less than a2\n");  
else  
    somPrintf(" a1 is NOT less than a2\n");  
_somFree (a1);  
_somFree (a2);
```

## Original Class

somf\_MOrderableCollectible

## Related Information

somflsEqual

somflsGreaterThan

somflsLessThanOrEqualTo



## Original Class

somf\_MOrderableCollectible

## Related Information

somflsLessThan  
somflsGreaterThan  
somflsEqual

---

## Chapter 4. somf\_TAssoc Class

An object of class somf\_TAssoc is used to hold a (*key, value*) pair of objects. Typically, these structures are owned by some other higher-level object; specifically, the somf\_THashTable Class and somf\_TDictionary Class use pairs that are actually objects of the somf\_TAssoc class.

Objects of the somf\_TAssoc class are usually not returned to the user. However, users implementing their own classes to hold pairs of objects might wish to use somf\_TAssoc in their implementations.

This class is not thread-safe.

### Member Name:

tassoc

### Import Name:

GOSSOMUC

### Base Class:

somf\_MCollectible

### Metaclass:

SOMClass

### Ancestor Classes:

somf\_MCollectible  
SOMObject

### Subclasses:

None.

### Types:

None.

### Attributes:

None.

### New Methods:

somfGetKey  
somfGetValue  
somfSetKey  
somfSetValue  
somfTAssocInitM  
somfTAssocInitMM

**Overriding Methods:**

    somDefaultInit  
    somDestruct



---

## somfGetKey Method

### Purpose

The somfGetKey method obtains the key of the associated pair represented by the receiving object.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfGetKey ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TAssoc.

**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to the key of the associated pair.

### Example

```
Environment *ev;  
somf_TAssoc obj;  
somf_MCollectible key;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
obj = somf_TAssocNew();  
/* Add the key and value to obj */  
/* Determine the key of obj */  
key = _somfGetKey(obj, ev);  
_somFree (obj);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TAssoc

### Related Information

somfSetKey  
somfSetValue  
somfGetValue

---

## somfGetValue Method

### Purpose

The somfGetValue method gets the value to the associated pair represented by the receiving object.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfGetValue ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class somf\_TAssoc.

**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to the value of the associated pair.

### Example

```
Environment *ev;  
somf_TAssoc obj;  
somf_MCollectible value;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
obj = somf_TAssocNew();  
/* Add the value and value to obj */  
/* Determine the value of obj */  
value = _somfGetValue(obj, ev);  
_somFree (obj);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TAssoc

### Related Information

somfSetValue  
somfSetKey  
somfGetKey

---

## somfSetKey Method

### Purpose

The somfSetKey method sets the key of an associated pair represented by the receiving object.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
void somfSetKey(  
    in somf_MCollectible k);
```

### Parameters

- receiver**     A pointer to an object of class somf\_TAssoc.
- ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
- k**              A pointer to an object of class somf\_MCollectible Class which will be the key of the associated pair.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
Environment *ev;  
somf_TAssoc obj;  
somf_MCollectible key;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
obj = somf_TAssocNew();  
key = somf_MCollectibleNew();  
/* Add the key to obj */  
_somfSetKey(obj, ev, key);  
_somFree (obj);  
_somFree (key);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TAssoc

### Related Information

somfGetKey  
somfSetValue  
somfGetValue

---

## somfSetValue Method

### Purpose

Sets the value to an associated (key, value) pair represented by the receiving object.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
void somfSetValue(  
    in somf_MCollectible v);
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class somf\_TAssoc.

**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

**v**               A pointer to an object of class somf\_MCollectible Class which will be the value of the associated pair.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
Environment *ev;  
somf_TAssoc obj;  
somf_MCollectible value;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
obj = somf_TAssocNew();  
value = somf_MCollectibleNew();  
/* Add the value to obj */  
_somfSetValue(obj, ev, value);  
_somFree (obj);  
_somFree (value);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TAssoc

### Related Information

somfGetValue  
somfGetKey  
somfSetKey

---

## somfTAssocInitM Method

### Purpose

Initializes a somf\_TAssoc object to a given key (k). The value (v) is set to SOMF\_NIL. An object of class somf\_TAssoc is a pair.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
somf_TAssoc somfTAssocInitM(  
    in somf_MCollectible k);
```

### Parameters

- receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TAssoc.
- ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
- k** A pointer to an object of class somf\_MCollectible Class that will be the key of the associated pair.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to an initialized somf\_TAssoc object.

### Example

```
Environment *ev;  
somf_TAssoc obj;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
obj = somf_TAssocNew();  
_somfTAssocInitM(obj, ev, SOMF_NIL);  
_somFree (obj);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TAssoc

### Related Information

somfTAssocInitMM

---

## somfTAssocInitMM Method

### Purpose

Initializes a somf\_TAssoc object to a given key (k) and value (v). An object of class somf\_TAssoc is a pair.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
somf_TAssoc somfTAssocInitMM(  
    in somf_MCollectible k,  
    in somf_MCollectible v);
```

### Parameters

- receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TAssoc.
- ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
- k** A pointer to an object of class somf\_MCollectible Class that will be the key of the associated pair.
- v** A pointer to an object of class somf\_MCollectible that will be the value of the associated pair.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to an initialized somf\_TAssoc object.

### Example

```
Environment *ev;  
somf_TAssoc obj;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
obj = somf_TAssocNew();  
_somfTAssocInitMM(obj, ev, SOMF_NIL, SOMF_NIL);  
_somFree (obj);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TAssoc

### Related Information

somfTAssocInitM

---

## Chapter 5. somf\_TCollectibleLong Class

This class provides the user with a generic somf\_MCollectible containing a long value.

This class is not thread-safe.

This class is reentrant.

### Member Name:

tclong

### Import Name:

GOSSOMUC

### Base Class:

somf\_MCollectible

### Metaclass:

SOMClass

### Ancestor Classes:

somf\_MCollectible  
SOMObject

### Subclasses:

None.

### Types:

None.

### Attributes:

None.

### New Methods:

somfGetValue  
somfSetValue  
somfTCollectibleLongInit

### Overriding Methods:

somDefaultInit  
somflsEqual  
somfHash

---

## somfGetValue Method

### Purpose

Gets the value of the long in the receiving object.

### Syntax

```
long somfGetValue ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**    A pointer to an object of class somf\_TCollectibleLong.  
**ev**            A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

Returns the value of the long.

### Example

```
somf_TCollectibleLong l;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
l = somf_TCollectibleLongNew();  
somPrintf("\n Value of l= %d\n", _somfGetValue(l,ev));  
_somFree (l);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TCollectibleLong

### Related Information

somfSetValue  
somflsEqual



---

## somfHash Method

### Purpose

Returns a long value suitable for use as a hashing probe for the receiving object.

### Syntax

```
long somfHash ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TCollectibleLong.  
**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns the hash value for the receiving object.

### Example

```
somf_TCollectibleLong l;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
l = somf_TCollectibleLongNew();  
somPrintf("\n Hash Value of l= %d\n", _somfHash(l,ev));  
_somFree (l);
```

### Original Class

somf\_MCollectible

### Related Information

somfGetValue  
somfSetValue  
somfTCollectibleLongInit  
somflsEqual

---

## somflsEqual Method

### Purpose

Compares two objects and returns TRUE if a given *obj* is isomorphic to the receiving object.

The `somflsEqual` method returns TRUE if a specified object *obj* is isomorphic to the receiving object.

All of the utility classes allow you to specify what methods to use when comparing objects for insertion, deletion and so forth.

### Syntax

```
boolean somflsEqual(  
    in somf_MCollectible obj);
```

### Parameters

- receiver**    A pointer to an object of class `somf_TCollectibleLong`.
- ev**            A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
- obj**            A pointer to the `somf_MCollectible` Class object that the receiving object will be compared against.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

- TRUE**        *Obj* is equal to the receiving object.
- FALSE**       *Obj* is not equal to the receiving object.

### Example

```
somf_TCollectibleLong l;  
somf_TCollectibleLong ll;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
l = somf_TCollectibleLongNew();  
ll = somf_TCollectibleLongNew();  
_somfTCollectibleLongInit(ll, ev, 220);  
/* if (*l == *ll) */  
if (_somflsEqual(l, ev, ll))  
    somPrintf("\n Why is l == ll?\n");  
else  
    somPrintf("\n l != ll\n");  
_somFree (l);  
_somFree (ll);
```

## Original Class

somf\_MCollectible

## Related Information

somfGetValue

somfSetValue

somfTCollectibleLongInit

---

## somfSetValue Method

### Purpose

Sets the long value in an object of class somf\_TCollectibleLong.

### Syntax

```
void somfSetValue(  
    in long v);
```

### Parameters

**receiver**    A pointer to an object of class somf\_TCollectibleLong.  
**ev**            A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**v**             The value of the long.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
somf_TCollectibleLong l;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
l = somf_TCollectibleLongNew();  
_somfSetValue(l, ev, 220);  
somPrintf("\n Value of l= %d\n", _somfGetValue(l, ev));  
_somFree (l);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TCollectibleLong

### Related Information

somfGetValue  
somflsEqual  
somfTCollectibleLongInit

---

## somfTCollectibleLongInit Method

### Purpose

Initializes a new somf\_TCollectibleLong object.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
somf_TCollectibleLong  
somfTCollectibleLongInit(  
    in long v);
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class somf\_TCollectibleLong.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**v**               A pointer to the initial value of the somf\_TCollectibleLong.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to an initialized object of class somf\_TCollectibleLong.

### Example

```
somf_TCollectibleLong l;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
l = somf_TCollectibleLongNew();  
_somfTCollectibleLongInit(l, ev, 44);  
_somFree (l);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TCollectibleLong

### Related Information

somfSetValue  
somfGetValue  
somflsEqual  
somfHash



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## Chapter 6. somf\_TCollection Class

This class represents a group of objects. It is implemented as an abstract class from which almost all main collection classes inherit methods.

When creating an unordered collection, your classes should inherit from somf\_TCollection. When creating an ordered collection, your classes should inherit from somf\_TSequence Class. The somf\_TCollection class provides the pure virtual functions that constitute the framework for the methods that should be available in an unordered collection.

**Note:** The somf\_TCollection class uses the somflsEqual method as the default comparison function. (That is, if key1="Bart" and key2="Bart", then key1 and key2 are equal.) If you do not want to use the somflsEqual Method to equate entries, use the initialization methods to change to the somflsSame Method.

### Member Name:

tcollect

### Import Name:

GOSSOMUC

### Base Class:

somf\_MCollectible

### Metaclass:

SOMClass

### Ancestor Classes:

somf\_MCollectible  
SOMObject

### Subclasses:

None.

### Types:

None.

### Attributes:

None.

### New Methods:

somfAdd  
somfAddAll  
somfRemove  
somfRemoveAll  
somfDeleteAll

somfCount  
somfMember  
somfCreateIterator  
somfTestFunction  
somfSetTestFunction  
somfTCollectionInit

**Overriding Methods:**

somfIsEqual



---

## somfAdd Method

### Purpose

Adds a specified object *obj* to the collection represented by the receiving object.

Every class that inherits from this class must override this method for that class to work correctly.

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfAdd(  
    in somf_MCollectible obj);
```

### Parameters

- receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TCollection.
- ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
- obj** A pointer to an object of class somf\_MCollectible that will be added to the receiving object.

### Restrictions and Limitations

You cannot use this method directly from this class; it must be overridden. If you invoke this method directly, an error message is written and processing will end.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MCollectible**

A pointer to the somf\_MCollectible Class object that had to be removed in order to add *obj*. (Recall that some of the main collection classes will only accept one occurrence of an object where the somflsEqual Method or somflsSame Method would be TRUE.)

**SOMF\_NIL** No somf\_MCollectible had to be removed in order to add *obj*.

### Example

For examples of how this method looks when it is invoked, see somf\_TDeque Class, somf\_TDictionary Class, or any of the other classes that inherit from somf\_TCollection.

### Original Class

somf\_TCollection

## Related Information

somfAddAll

---

## somfAddAll Method

### Purpose

Adds all of the objects from a specified collection to the receiving object. Essentially, this is equivalent to passing in an iterator for the collection and then adding each element of the collection to the receiving object.

### Syntax

```
void somfAddAll(  
    in somf_TCollection col);
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TCollection.  
**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**col** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TCollection. All of the objects in the collection pointed to by *col* will be added to the receiving object.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
somf_TSet s1;  
somf_TSet s2;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
s1 = somf_TSetNew();  
s2 = somf_TSetNew();  
/* Add All of the objects in s2 to s1 */  
_somfAddAll(s1, ev, s2);  
_somFree (s1);  
_somFree (s2);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TCollection

### Related Information

somfAdd

---

## somfCount Method

### Purpose

Gets the number of objects in the collection represented by the receiving object, and returns that number.

Every class that inherits from the somf\_TCollection class must override this method for that class to work correctly.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. Thus, if any child of somf\_TCollection is used with somf\_THashTable, then the name of the method must be fully qualified (example: somf\_TDictionary\_somfCount). This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you can reference this method as:  
d->somfCount(ev);

### Syntax

```
long somfCount ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class somf\_TCollection.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

You cannot use this method directly from the somf\_TCollection class; it must be overridden. If you invoke this method directly, an error message is written and processing will end.

### Returned Values

This method returns a long indicating the number of objects in the receiving object.

### Example

For examples of how this method looks when it is invoked, see somf\_TDeque Class or somf\_TDictionary Class or any of the other classes that inherit from somf\_TCollection.

### Original Class

somf\_TCollection

## Related Information

None.

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## somfCreateliterator Method

### Purpose

Returns a new iterator that is suitable for iterating over the objects in this collection.

Every class that inherits from the somf\_TCollection class must override this method for that class to work correctly.

### Syntax

```
somf_Tliterator somfCreateliterator ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TCollection.

**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

You cannot use this method directly from the somf\_TCollection class; it must be overridden. If you invoke this method directly, an error message is written and processing will end.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to the new iterator.

### Example

For examples of how this method looks when it is invoked, see somf\_TDeque Class or somf\_TDictionary Class or any of the other classes that inherit from somf\_TCollection.

### Original Class

somf\_TCollection

### Related Information

None.

---

## somfDeleteAll Method

### Purpose

Removes all of the objects from the receiving object and deallocates the storage that these objects might have owned.

Be careful with `somfDeleteAll`. Since a collection only contains pointers to objects (rather than the objects themselves), `somfDeleteAll` can cause a problem if a pointer to an object appears more than once. For example, if multiple pointers to A exists, or if a single pointer to A is in the collection multiple times, the behavior of the code is undefined, because it will try to delete A multiple times. If you think there is a chance that an object could appear in the collection more than once, you should consider using `somfRemoveAll` Method to remove the objects from the collection and deleting them some other way.

Every class that inherits from the `somf_TCollection` class must override this method for that class to work correctly.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. Thus, if any child of `somf_TCollection` is used with `somf_THashTable`, then the name of the method will have to be fully qualified (example: `somf_TDictionary_somfDeleteAll`). This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you can reference this method as:

```
d->somfDeleteAll (ev);
```

### Syntax

```
void somfDeleteAll ();
```

### Parameters

- receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_TCollection`.
- ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

You cannot use this method directly from the `somf_TCollection` class; it must be overridden. If you invoke this method directly, an error message is written and processing will end.

### Returned Values

None.

## Example

For examples of how this method looks when it is invoked, see `somf_TDeque Class` or `somf_TDictionary Class` or any of the other classes that inherit from `somf_TCollection`.

## Original Class

`somf_TCollection`

## Related Information

None.



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## somflsEqual Method

### Purpose

Compares two objects and returns TRUE if a specified *obj* is isomorphic to the receiving object.

All of the utility classes allow you to specify what methods to use when comparing objects for insertion, deletion, and so forth.

### Syntax

```
boolean somflsEqual(  
    in somf_MCollectible obj);
```

### Parameters

- receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TCollection.
- ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
- obj** A pointer to the somf\_MCollectible Class object that the receiving object will be compared against.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

- TRUE** *Obj* is equal to the receiving object.
- FALSE** *Obj* is not equal to the receiving object.

### Example

None.

### Original Class

somf\_MCollectible

### Related Information

None.

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## somfMember Method

### Purpose

Gets an *obj* in the collection.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. Thus, if any child of `somf_TCollection` is used with `somf_THashTable`, then the name of the method will have to be fully qualified (example: `somf_TDictionary_somfMember`). This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you can reference this method as:

```
d->somfMember(ev, obj);
```

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfMember(  
    in somf_MCollectible obj);
```

### Parameters

- receiver** A pointer to an object of class `somf_TCollection`.
- ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
- obj** A pointer to the object of class `somf_MCollectible` Class that may or may not be a member of the collection.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

- somf\_MCollectible** A pointer to the object the method determined as the member.
- SOMF\_NIL** Indicates the object was not found.

### Example

```
somf_TDeque dq;  
<Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible> obj;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
dq = somf_TDequeNew();  
obj = <Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible>New();  
/* See if obj is in dq */  
if ( _somfMember(dq, ev, obj) != SOMF_NIL)  
    somPrintf("\n obj is a Member\n");  
else  
    somPrintf("\n ERROR: obj should be a Member\n");  
_somFree (dq);  
_somFree (obj);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TCollection

## Related Information

None.

---

## somfRemove Method

### Purpose

Removes an object from a collection.

Every class that inherits from the `somf_TCollection` class must override this method for that class to work correctly.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. `somfRemove` is a method name declared in multiple parents. You will probably have to fully qualify the method name. This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you can reference this method as:

```
d->somfRemove(ev, obj);
```

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfRemove(  
    in somf_MCollectible obj);
```

### Parameters

- receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_TCollection`.
- ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
- obj**            A pointer to the object of class `somf_MCollectible` Class to be removed from the collection.

### Restrictions and Limitations

You cannot use this method directly from the `somf_TCollection` class; it must be overridden. If you invoke this method directly, an error message is written and processing will end.

### Returned Values

- somf\_MCollectible**  
                  A pointer to the object that was removed.
- SOMF\_NIL**     Indicates the specified object was not found.

### Example

For examples of how this method looks when it is invoked, see `somf_TDeque` Class or `somf_TDictionary` Class or any of the other classes that inherit from `somf_TCollection`.

## Original Class

somf\_TCollection

## Related Information

somfRemoveAll

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## somfRemoveAll Method

### Purpose

Removes all of the objects from a collection.

Every class that inherits from the somf\_TCollection class must override this method for that class to work correctly.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. Thus, if any child of somf\_TCollection is used with somf\_THashTable, then the name of the method will have to be fully qualified (example: somf\_TDictionary\_somfRemoveAll). This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you can reference this method as:

```
d->somfRemoveAll (ev);
```

### Syntax

```
void somfRemoveAll ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class somf\_TCollection.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

You cannot use this method directly from the somf\_TCollection class; it must be overridden. If you invoke this method directly, an error message is written and processing will end.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

For examples of how this method looks when it is invoked, see somf\_TDeque Class or somf\_TDictionary Class or any of the other classes that inherit from somf\_TCollection.

### Original Class

somf\_TCollection

## Related Information

`somfRemove`

---

## somfSetTestFunction Method

### Purpose

Sets the test method for a collection.

### Syntax

```
void somfSetTestFunction(  
    in somf_MCollectibleCompareFn  
    testfn);
```

### Parameters

- receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TCollection.
- ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
- testfn** A method pointer specifying either a somflsEqual Method or a somflsSame Method.
- This argument should always be set to either `somf_MCollectibleClassData.somflsSame` or `somf_MCollectibleClassData.somflsEqual` because SOM needs a pointer to the original declaration of the method, which resides in somf\_MCollectible Class. The somf\_TCollection object will use this pointer to access the somflsSame or somflsEqual method that was declared and defined in the object being inserted into, or removed from, the somf\_TCollection object.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

None.

### Original Class

somf\_TCollection



## Related Information

`somfTestFunction`

---

## somfTCollectionInit Method

### Purpose

Initializes a new object of class somf\_TCollection.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
somf_TCollection somfTCollectionInit(  
    in somf_MCollectibleCompareFn  
    testfn);
```

### Parameters

- receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TCollection.
- ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
- testfn** A method pointer specifying either a somflsEqual Method or a somflsSame Method.

This argument should always be set to either

somf\_MCollectibleClassData.somflsSame or  
somf\_MCollectibleClassData.somflsEqual

because SOM needs a pointer to the original declaration of the method, which resides in somf\_MCollectible Class. The somf\_TCollection object will use this pointer to access the somflsSame or somflsEqual method that was declared and defined in the object being inserted into, or removed from, the somf\_TCollection object.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to an initialized object of class somf\_TCollection.

### Example

None.

### Original Class

somf\_TCollection

## Related Information

None.

---

## somfTestFunction Method

### Purpose

Determines the method that a collection uses for comparison testing.

Comparison testing is performed on objects already contained in the collection and/or on objects being tested for eligibility.

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectibleCompareFn  
somfTestFunction ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TCollection.

**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to the method that a somf\_TCollection collection uses to compare two (existing or potential) objects of the collection. This test is usually either somfIsSame Method or somfIsEqual Method.

### Example

None.

### Original Class

somf\_TCollection

### Related Information

somfSetTestFunction

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## Chapter 7. somf\_TDeque Class

A somf\_TDeque class is a child of somf\_TSequence Class. It is ordered based on the order in which objects are added to, or removed from, the collection. The somf\_TDeque class can also be used as a queue or a stack.

Each of these data structures are implemented in the somf\_TDeque class, with different methods processing the logically different structures. However, the somf\_TDeque class is more than all three data structures combined, because objects can be inserted and removed from any point in the somf\_TDeque. In addition, the somf\_TDeque is probably the most flexible of the data structures, because an object can appear in it more than once, and the only ordering in the data structure is determined by how elements are inserted into it.

Objects of the somf\_MCollectible Class that are inserted into a somf\_TDeque collection could override the somflsSame method.

**Note:** The somf\_TDeque class uses the somflsSame method as the default comparison function. That is, if key1="Bart" and key2="Bart", key1 and key2 are not the same. Only *key1* is the same as *key1*. If you do not want to use the somflsSame method to equate entries, use one of the initialization methods to change to the somflsEqual method. Just be aware that if the comparison methods are changed, the objects inserted into the somf\_TDeque must have somflsEqual and somfHash overridden.

### Member Name:

tdeq

### Import Name:

GOSSOMUC

### Base Class:

somf\_TSequence

### Metaclass:

SOMClass

### Ancestor Classes:

somf\_TSequence  
somf\_TCollection  
somf\_MCollectible  
SOMObject

### Subclasses:

None.

### Types:

None.

**Attributes:**

None.

**New Methods:**

- somfAddAfter
- somfAddBefore
- somfAddLast
- somfAddFirst
- somfRemoveLast
- somfRemoveFirst
- somfCreateSequenceliterator
- somfRemoveQ
- somfInsert
- somfPop
- somfPush
- somfCreateNewLink
- somfAssign
- somfTDequelnitF
- somfTDequelnitD

**Overriding Methods:**

- somDefaultInit
- somDestruct
- somfAdd
- somfRemove
- somfDeleteAll
- somfRemoveAll
- somfCount
- somfAfter
- somfBefore
- somfLast
- somfFirst
- somfMember
- somfCreateliterator

---

## somfAdd Method

### Purpose

Adds an object to a deque collection.

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfAdd(  
    in somf_MCollectible obj);
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TDeque.  
**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**obj** A pointer to a somf\_MCollectible object that will be added to the receiving object.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to the somf\_MCollectible object that was added.

### Example

```
somf_TDeque dq;  
<Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible> obj  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
dq = somf_TDequeNew();  
obj = <Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible>New();  
_somfAdd(dq, ev, obj);  
_somFree (dq);  
_somFree (obj);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TCollection

### Related Information

somfAddAfter  
somfAddBefore  
somfAddFirst  
somfAddLast

---

## somfAddAfter Method

### Purpose

Adds a new object to a deque collection after a specified existing object.

### Syntax

```
void somfAddAfter (  
    in somf_MCollectible existingobj,  
    in somf_MCollectible tobeadded);
```

### Parameters

- receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TDeque.
- ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
- existingobj** A pointer to the existing somf\_MCollectible object after which the new object will be added.
- tobeadded** A pointer to the new somf\_MCollectible object to be added to the deque.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
somf_TDeque dq;  
<Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible> obj1;  
<Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible> obj2;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
dq = somf_TDequeNew();  
obj1 = <Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible>New();  
obj2 = <Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible>New();  
_somfAddFirst(dq, ev, obj1);  
_somfAddAfter(dq, ev, obj1, obj2);  
_somFree (dq);  
_somFree (obj1);  
_somFree (obj2);
```



## Original Class

somf\_TDeque

## Related Information

somfAdd  
somfAddBefore  
somfAddFirst  
somfAddLast

---

## somfAddBefore Method

### Purpose

Adds a new object to a deque collection before a specified existing object.

### Syntax

```
void somfAddBefore (  
    in somf_MCollectible existobj,  
    in somf_MCollectible tobeadded);
```

### Parameters

- receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TDeque.
- ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
- existobj** A pointer to the existing somf\_MCollectible object before which the new object will be added.
- tobeadded** A pointer to the new somf\_MCollectible object to be added to the deque.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
somf_TDeque dq;  
<Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible> obj1;  
<Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible> obj2;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
dq = somf_TDequeNew();  
obj1 = <Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible>New();  
obj2 = <Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible>New();  
_somfAddFirst(dq, ev, obj1);  
_somfAddBefore(dq, ev, obj1, obj2);  
_somFree (dq);  
_somFree (obj1);  
_somFree (obj2);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TDeque

## Related Information

somfAdd  
somfAddAfter  
somfAddFirst  
somfAddLast

---

## somfAddFirst Method

### Purpose

Adds a new object as the first object in a deque collection.

### Syntax

```
void somfAddFirst(  
    in somf_MCollectible obj);
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TDeque.  
**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**obj** A pointer to the object of class somf\_MCollectible to be added to the deque.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
somf_TDeque dq;  
<Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible> obj;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
dq = somf_TDequeNew();  
obj = <Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible>New();  
_somfAddFirst(dq, ev, obj);  
_somFree (dq);  
_somFree (obj);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TDeque

### Related Information

somfAdd  
somfAddAfter  
somfAddBefore  
somfAddLast

---

## somfAddLast Method

### Purpose

Adds a new object as the last object in a deque collection.

### Syntax

```
void somfAddLast(  
    in somf_MCollectible obj);
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TDeque.  
**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**obj** A pointer to the object of class somf\_MCollectible to be added to the deque.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
somf_TDeque dq;  
<Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible> obj;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
dq = somf_TDequeNew();  
obj = <Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible>New();  
_somfAddLast(dq, ev, obj);  
_somFree (dq);  
_somFree (obj);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TDeque

### Related Information

somfAdd  
somfAddAfter  
somfAddBefore  
somfAddFirst

---

## somfAfter Method

### Purpose

Gets the object found after a specified object in a deque collection.

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfAfter(  
    in somf_MCollectible obj);
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TDeque.  
**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**obj** A pointer to the somf\_MCollectible that is in front of the returned *obj*.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MCollectible** A pointer to the object of class somf\_MCollectible that comes after *obj*.  
**SOMF\_NIL** *Obj* is the last object in the collection or could not be found.

### Example

```
somf_TDeque dq;  
somf_MCollectible obj;  
Environment *ev;  
<Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible> a1;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
dq = somf_TDequeNew();  
a1 = <Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible>New();  
/* Add some objects to dq */  
/* set obj to point to the object after a1 */  
obj = _somfAfter(dq, ev, a1);  
_somFree (dq);  
_somFree (a1);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TSequence

## Related Information

somfBefore  
somfFirst  
somfLast

---

## somfAssign Method

### Purpose

Assigns a deque collection as being equal to a given source deque. That is, the method sets or resets the instance variables of the receiver to the values of the source. This operation is logically equivalent to using the equal (=) operator.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. Thus, if any child of `somf_TCollection` is used with `somf_THashTable`, then the name of the method will have to be fully qualified (example: `somf_TDeque_somfAssign`). This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you can reference this method as:

```
d->somfAssign(ev, obj);
```

### Syntax

```
void somfAssign (in somf_TDeque);
```

### Parameters

<b>receiver</b>	A pointer to an object of class <code>somf_TDeque</code> .
<b>ev</b>	A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
<b>s</b>	A pointer to the <code>somf_TDeque</code> object to which the receiving object will be set equal.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
somf_TDeque dq1;
somf_TDeque dq2;
Environment *ev;
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();
dq1 = somf_TDequeNew();
dq2 = somf_TDequeNew();
/* Add som objects to dq1 */
/* Assign dq2 = dq1 */
somf_TDeque_somfAssign(dq2, ev, dq1);
_somFree (dq1);
_somFree (dq2);
```



## Original Class

somf\_TDeque

## Related Information

None.

---

## somfBefore Method

### Purpose

Gets the object found before a specified object in a deque collection.

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfBefore(  
    in somf_MCollectible obj);
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TDeque.  
**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**obj** A pointer to the somf\_MCollectible that is behind the returned *obj*.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MCollectible** A pointer to the somf\_MCollectible object that precedes *obj*.  
**SOMF\_NIL** The *obj* is the first object in the receiving object or could not be found.

### Example

```
somf_TDeque dq;  
somf_MCollectible obj;  
Environment *ev;  
<Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible> a1;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
dq = somf_TDequeNew();  
a1 = <Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible>New();  
/* Add some objects to dq */  
/* set obj to point to the object before a1 */  
obj = _somfBefore(dq, ev, a1);  
_somFree (dq);  
_somFree (a1);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TSequence (overridden here)

## Related Information

someAfter  
someFirst  
someLast

---

## somfCount Method

### Purpose

Gets the number of objects in a deque collection.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. Thus, if any child of somf\_TCollection is used with somf\_THashTable, then the name of the method will have to be fully qualified (example: somf\_TDeque\_somfCount). This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you can reference this method as:

```
d->somfCount(ev);
```

### Syntax

```
long somfCount ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class somf\_TDeque.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Return Value

This method returns the number of objects in the receiving object.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
somf_TDeque dq;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
dq = somf_TDequeNew();  
somPrintf("\n Count of dq= %d\n", _somfCount(dq,ev));  
_somFree (dq);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TCollection (overridden here)

## Related Information

None.

---

## somfCreateliterator Method

### Purpose

Returns a new iterator that is suitable for iterating over the objects in this deque collection.

**Note:** This is one of three ways to initialize a somf\_TDequeliterator Class to point to an instance of a somf\_TDeque. One other way is to use the somf\_TDequeliterator initializer method, and the final way is to use somfCreateSequenceliterator Method.

### Syntax

```
somf_Tliterator somfCreateliterator ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class somf\_TDeque.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to the new iterator.

### Example

```
somf_TDeque dq;  
Environment *ev;  
somf_TDequeIterator itr;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
dq = somf_TDequeNew();  
itr = (somf_TDequeIterator*) _somfCreateIterator(dq,ev);  
_somFree (dq);  
_somFree (itr);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TCollection

### Related Information

somfCreateSequenceliterator

---

## somfCreateNewLink Method

### Purpose

Creates a new link in a somf\_TDeque collection, given two objects as the previous and next somf\_TDequeLinkable Class links, and the value of the new link.

When inheriting from this class, this method can be overridden if you want to customize how a somf\_TDeque object creates a new link in your derived class.

### Syntax

```
somf_TDequeLinkable  
somfCreateNewLink(  
    in somf_TDequeLinkable p,  
    in somf_TDequeLinkable n,  
    in somf_MCollectible v);
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TDeque.

**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

**p** A pointer to the somf\_TDequeLinkable object before this one.

**n** A pointer to the somf\_TDequeLinkable object after this one.

**v** A pointer to the somf\_MCollectible object that represents the value of the new somf\_TDequeLinkable.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to the new somf\_TDequeLinkable object.

### Example

None.

### Original Class

somf\_TDeque

### Related Information

None.

---

## somfCreateSequenceliterator Method

### Purpose

Returns a new iterator that is suitable for iterating over the objects in the given deque collection.

**Note:** This is one of three ways to initialize a somf\_TDequeliterator Class to point to an instance of a somf\_TDeque. One other way is to use somf\_TDequeliterator's initializer method, and the final way is to use the somf\_TDeque's somfCreateliterator Method.

This method is identical to somfCreateliterator; you could use either one. The only difference is that the type of the return value for this method is a somf\_TSequenceliterator Class, and the return type for the return value of somfCreateliterator is a somf\_TIterator Class. However, both methods return an instance of a somf\_TDequeliterator that has been typed correctly.

### Syntax

```
somf_TSequenceliterator  
somfCreateSequenceliterator ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class somf\_TDeque.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to the new iterator.

### Example

```
somf_TDeque dq;  
Environment *ev;  
somf_TDequeIterator itr;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
dq = somf_TDequeNew();  
itr = (somf_TDequeIterator*) _somfCreateSequenceIterator(dq,ev);  
_somFree (dq);  
_somFree (itr);
```



## Original Class

`somf_TDeque`

## Related Information

`somfCreateliterator`

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## somfDeleteAll Method

### Purpose

Removes all of the objects from a deque collection and deallocates the storage that these objects might have owned. That is, the destructor function is called for each object in the collection. Also, it deallocates the storage that these objects might have owned; that is, the destructor function is called for each object in the collection.

Be careful with `somfDeleteAll`. Since a collection only contains pointers to objects, rather than the objects themselves, `somfDeleteAll` can cause a problem if a pointer to an object appears more than once. For example, if multiple pointers to *A* exists, or if a single pointer to *A* is in the collection multiple times, the behavior of the code is undefined, because it will try to delete *A* multiple times. If you think there is a chance that an object could appear in the collection more than once, you should consider using `somfRemoveAll` Method to remove the objects from the collection and deleting them some other way.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. Thus, if any child of `somf_TCollection` is used with `somf_THashTable`, then the name of the method will have to be fully qualified (example: `somf_TDeque_somfDeleteAll`). This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you can reference this method as:

```
d->somfDeleteAll(ev);
```

### Syntax

```
void somfDeleteAll ();
```

### Parameters

- receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_TDeque`.
- ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
somf_TDeque dq;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
dq = somf_TDequeNew();  
/* Add some objects to dq */  
/* Remove all objects in dq AND DELETE ALL INSTANCES */  
_somfDeleteAll(dq,ev);  
_somFree (dq);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TCollection

## Related Information

None.

---

## somfFirst Method

### Purpose

Gets the first object in a deque collection.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. `somfFirst` is a method name declared in multiple parents (example: `somf_TSequence`, `somf_TIterator` and so forth.). You will probably have to fully qualify the method name (example: `somf_TDeque_somfFirst`). This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you can reference this method as:

```
seq->somfFirst(ev);
```

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfFirst ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_TDeque`.  
**ev**            A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MCollectible**     A pointer to the first `somf_MCollectible` object in the collection.  
**SOMF\_NIL**     Nothing is in the collection.

### Example

```
somf_TDeque dq;  
Environment *ev;  
somf_MCollectible first;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
dq = somf_TDequeNew();  
/* Add some objects to dq */  
first = somf_TDeque_somfFirst(dq,ev);  
/* do something with the first object in the somf_TDeque */  
_somFree (dq);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TSequence

## Related Information

somfAddAfter

somfBefore

somfLast

---

## somfInsert Method

### Purpose

Adds an object to the end of the deque/queue.

This method can be used with somfRemoveQ Method to simulate a queue.

### Syntax

```
void somfInsert(  
    in somf_MCollectible obj);
```

### Parameters

**receiver**    A pointer to an object of class somf\_TDeque.  
**ev**            A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**obj**            A pointer to the somf\_MCollectible object to be added to the deque.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
somf_TDeque dq;  
<Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible> obj;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
dq = somf_TDequeNew();  
obj = <Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible>New();  
_somfInsert(dq, ev, obj);  
_somFree (dq);  
_somFree (obj);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TDeque

### Related Information

somfRemoveQ

---

## somfLast Method

### Purpose

Gets the last object in a given deque collection.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. Thus, if any child of `somf_TSequence` is used with a child of `somf_TSequenceIterator` or with `somf_TPrimitiveLinkedListIterator`, then the name of the method must be fully qualified (for example: `somf_TDeque_somfLast`). This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you can reference this method as:  
`seq->somfLast(ev);`

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfLast();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_TDeque`.  
**ev**            A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MCollectible**     A pointer to the last `somf_MCollectible` object in the collection.  
**SOMF\_NIL**     Nothing is in the collection.

### Example

```
somf_TDeque dq;  
Environment *ev;  
somf_MCollectible last;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
dq = somf_TDequeNew();  
/* Add some objects to dq */  
last = somf_TDeque_somfLast(dq,ev);  
/* do something with the last object in the somf_TDeque */  
_somFree (dq);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TSequence

## Related Information

somfAfter  
somfBefore  
somfFirst



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## somfMember Method

### Purpose

Gets an object in a deque collection.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. Thus, if any child of somf\_TCollection is used with somf\_THashTable, then the name of the method will have to be fully qualified (example: somf\_TDeque\_somfMember). This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you can reference this method as:

```
d->somfMember(ev, obj);
```

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfMember(  
    in somf_MCollectible obj);
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TDeque.

**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

**obj** A pointer to the somf\_MCollectible object that may or may not be a member of the deque collection.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MCollectible** A pointer to the object the method determined as the member.

**SOMF\_NIL** *Obj* was not found.

### Example

```
somf_TDeque dq;  
<Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible> obj;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
dq = somf_TDequeNew();  
obj = <Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible>New();  
/* See if obj is in dq */  
if ( _somfMember(dq, ev, obj) != SOMF_NIL)  
    somPrintf("\n obj is a Member\n");  
else  
    somPrintf("\n ERROR: obj should be a Member\n");  
_somFree (dq);  
_somFree (obj);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TCollection

## Related Information

None.

---

## somfPop Method

### Purpose

Removes the object on top of a deque/stack.

**Note:** This call can be used to simulate a stack.

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfPop ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TDeque.

**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to the somf\_MCollectible object removed from the deque or stack. Or, SOMF\_NIL is returned if the collection is empty.

### Example

```
somf_TDeque dq;  
somf_MCollectible obj;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
dq = somf_TDequeNew();  
/* Use _somfPush to push objects onto the stack */  
/* Pop an object from the stack */  
obj = _somfPop(dq,ev);  
_somFree (dq);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TDeque

### Related Information

somfPush

---

## somfPush Method

### Purpose

Adds an object to the top of a deque/stack.

**Note:** This call can be used to simulate a stack.

### Syntax

```
void somfPush(  
    in somf_MCollectible obj);
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class somf\_TDeque.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**obj**            A pointer to the somf\_MCollectible object to be added to the deque.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
somf_TDeque dq;  
<Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible> obj;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
dq = somf_TDequeNew();  
obj = <Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible>New();  
_somfPush(dq, ev, obj);  
_somFree (dq);  
_somFree (obj);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TDeque

### Related Information

somfPop

---

## somfRemove Method

### Purpose

Removes an object from a deque collection.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. `somfRemove` is a method name declared in multiple parents (example: `somf_TCollection`, `somf_THashTable`, `somf_TIterator`). You will probably have to fully qualify the method name. This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you can reference this method as:

```
d->somfRemove(ev, obj);
```

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfRemove(  
    in somf_MCollectible obj);
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class `somf_TDeque`.

**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

**obj** A pointer to the `somf_MCollectible` object to be removed from the deque collection.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MCollectible** A pointer to the object that was removed.

**SOMF\_NIL** The object was not found.

### Example

```
somf_TDeque dq;  
<Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible> obj;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
dq = somf_TDequeNew();  
obj = <Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible>New();  
/* Add some values to dq */  
somf_TDeque_somfRemove(dq, ev, obj);  
_somFree (dq);  
_somFree (obj);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TCollection (overridden here)

## Related Information

somfRemoveAll  
somfRemoveFirst  
somfRemoveLast

---

## somfRemoveAll Method

### Purpose

Removes all of the objects from a deque collection.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. Thus, if any child of somf\_TCollection is used with somf\_THashTable, then the name of the method must be fully qualified. This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you can reference this method as:

```
d->somfRemoveAll(ev);
```

### Syntax

```
void somfRemoveAll ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class somf\_TDeque.

**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
somf_TDeque dq;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somf_GetGlobalEnvironment();  
dq = somf_TDequeNew();  
/* Add some objects to dq */  
/* Remove all of the objects in dq */  
_somfRemoveAll(dq, ev);  
_somfFree (dq);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TCollection

### Related Information

somfRemove  
somfRemoveFirst  
somfRemoveLast

---

## somfRemoveFirst Method

### Purpose

Removes the first object in a deque collection.

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfRemoveFirst ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TDeque.  
**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MCollectible** A pointer to the somf\_MCollectible object that was removed.  
**SOMF\_NIL** The collection is empty.

### Example

```
somf_TDeque dq;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
dq = somf_TDequeNew();  
/* Add some objects to dq */  
if (_somfRemoveFirst(dq,ev) == SOMF_NIL)  
    somPrintf(  
        " ERROR: The first object should have been removed.\n");  
_somFree (dq);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TDeque

### Related Information

somfRemove  
somfRemoveAll  
somfRemoveLast



---

## somfRemoveLast Method

### Purpose

Removes the last object in a deque collection.

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfRemoveLast ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TDeque.  
**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MCollectible** A pointer to the somf\_MCollectible object that was removed.  
**SOMF\_NIL** The collection is empty.

### Example

```
somf_TDeque dq;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
dq = somf_TDequeNew();  
/* Add some objects to dq */  
if (_somfRemoveLast(dq, ev) == SOMF_NIL)  
    somPrintf(  
        " ERROR: The last object should have been removed.\n");  
_somFree (dq);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TDeque

### Related Information

somfRemove  
somfRemoveAll  
somfRemoveFirst

---

## somfRemoveQ Method

### Purpose

Removes the first object from a deque/queue.

**Note:** This method can be used with somfInsert to simulate a queue.

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfRemoveQ ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class somf\_TDeque.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MCollectible**  
A pointer to the object that was removed.  
**SOMF\_NIL**     The object was not found.

### Example

```
somf_TDeque dq;  
somf_MCollectible obj;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
dq = somf_TDequeNew();  
/* Use _somfInsert to insert objects into the queue */  
/* Remove an object from the queue */  
obj = _somfRemoveQ(dq, ev);  
_somFree (dq);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TDeque

### Related Information

somfInsert

---

## somfTDequeInitD Method

### Purpose

Initializes a new deque, setting it equal to a given somf\_TDeque source object. The method also sets the new deque equal to a specified somf\_TDeque source object. This implies that the instance data of the new deque will be set equal to those of the source deque.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
somf_TDeque somfTDequeInitD(  
    in somf_TDeque s);
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TDeque.

**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

**s** A pointer to the source deque to which the receiving object will be set equal.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to an initialized somf\_TDeque object.

### Example

```
somf_TDeque dq1;  
somf_TDeque dq2;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
dq1 = somf_TDequeNew();  
dq2 = somf_TDequeNew();  
_somfTDequeInitD(dq2, ev, dq1);  
_somFree (dq1);  
_somFree (dq2);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TDeque

## Related Information

somfTDequelnitF

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## somfTDequeInitF Method

### Purpose

Initializes a new deque collection, specifying the comparison method that it will use. The method also establishes the comparison method that the new deque will use to compare current/potential objects for the collection, as determined by the *testfn* argument.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
somf_TDeque somfTDequeInitF(  
    in somf_MCollectibleCompareFn  
    testfn);
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TDeque.

**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

**testfn** A method pointer specifying either a somflsEqual or somflsSame method.

This argument should always be set to either

somf\_MCollectibleClassData.somflsSame or  
somf\_MCollectibleClassData.somflsEqual.

This specification is necessary because SOM needs a pointer to the original declaration of the method, residing in somf\_MCollectible Class. The somf\_TDeque object will use this pointer to access the somflsSame Method or somflsEqual Method that was declared and defined in the object being inserted into, or removed from, the somf\_TDeque object.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to an initialized somf\_TDeque.

### Example

```
somf_TDeque dq1;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
dq1 = somf_TDequeNew();  
_somfTDequeInitF(dq1, ev,  
    somf_MCollectibleClassData.somflsSame);  
_somFree (dq1);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TDeque

## Related Information

somfTDequeInitD

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## Chapter 8. somf\_TDequeIterator Class

An iterator for the somf\_TDeque Class that will iterate over all of the objects in a deque.

**Member Name:**

tdeqitr

**Import Name:**

GOSSOMUC

**Base Class:**

somf\_TSequenceIterator Class

**Metaclass:**

SOMClass

**Ancestor Classes:**

somf\_TSequenceIterator  
somf\_TIterator  
SOMObject

**Subclasses:**

somfTDequeIteratorInit

**Types:**

None.

**Attributes:**

None.

**New Methods:**

None.

**Overriding Methods:**

somfFirst  
somfNext  
somfLast  
somfPrevious  
somfRemove

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## somfFirst Method

### Purpose

Resets the iterator and returns the first object from a deque collection. This resets the iterator to the beginning of the collection even if other operations on the collection cause the iterator to be invalidated. In the second case, this revalidates the iterator.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. `somfFirst` is a method name declared in multiple parents, and you will probably have to fully qualify it. This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you can reference this method as:

```
itr->somfFirst(ev);
```

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfFirst ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_TDequeIterator`.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MCollectible**     A pointer to the first `somf_MCollectible` object in the collection.  
**SOMF\_NIL**     Is returned if the collection is empty.

### Example



```

sopf_TDeque dq;
Environment *ev;
sopf_TDequeIterator itr;
sopf_MCollectible itrobj;
ev = somf_GetGlobalEnvironment();
dq = somf_TDequeNew();
itr = somf_TDequeIteratorNew();
_sopfTDequeIteratorInit(itr, ev, dq);
/* Add some object to dq */
/* Iterate through the TDeque */
itrobj = somf_TDequeIterator_sopfFirst(itr, ev);
while (itrobj != SOMF_NIL)
{
    /* Do something with itrobj */
    itrobj = _sopfNext(itr, ev);
}
_sopfFree (dq);
_sopfFree (itr);

```

## Original Class

sopf\_TIterator

## Related Information

sopfNext

---

## somfLast Method

### Purpose

Gets the last object in the deque collection.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. `somfLast` is a method name declared in multiple parents (for example: `somf_TSequenceIterator`, `somf_TSequence`). You will probably have to fully qualify the name of the method. This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you can reference this method as:

```
itr->somfLast(ev);
```

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfLast ();
```

### Parameters

- receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_TDequeIterator`.
- ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to the last `somf_MCollectible` object in the deque collection.

### Example

```
somf_TDeque dq;
somf_TDequeIterator itr;
somf_MCollectible itrobj;
Environment *ev;
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();
dq = somf_TDequeNew();
itr = somf_TDequeIteratorNew();
_somfTDequeIteratorInit(itr, ev, dq);
/* Add some objects to dq */
/* set obj to point to the last object in dq */
itrobj = somf_TDequeIterator_somfLast(itr, ev);
_somFree (dq);
_somFree (itr);
```

## Original Class

`somf_TSequenceIterator` (overridden here)

## Related Information

`somfPrevious`

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## somfNext Method

### Purpose

Gets the next object in a deque collection. The method also returns a pointer to the next object, if found. Objects are retrieved in an order that reflects the "orderedness" of the collection, or the lack of ordering on the collection objects.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. Thus, if any child of `somf_TIterator` is used with `somf_TPrimitiveLinkedListIterator`, then the name of the method must be fully qualified. This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you can reference this method as:

```
itr->somfNext(ev);
```

If the `somf_TDeque` Class collection has changed (other than through the use of the `somfRemove` Method of this iterator) since the last time the `somfFirst` Method or `somfLast` Method was called, the iterator becomes invalid and will fail when asked to find the next object. If the collection's `somfAdd` Method were called after starting to iterate through the collection, the iterator would not allow iteration to continue. The iterator must be reset, and the easiest way to do that is to call the iterator's `somfFirst` method and start over.

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfNext ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class `somf_TDequeIterator`.  
**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MCollectible** A pointer to the next `somf_MCollectible` Class object in the collection.  
**SOMF\_NIL** The end of the collection has been reached.

### Example

```
somf_TDeque dq;
Environment *ev;
somf_TDequeIterator itr;
somf_MCollectible itrobj;
ev = somf_GetGlobalEnvironment();
dq = somf_TDequeNew();
itr = somf_TDequeIteratorNew();
_somfTDequeIteratorInit(itr, ev, dq);
/* Add some object to dq */
/* Iterate through the TDeque */
itrobj = somf_TDequeIterator_somfFirst(itr, ev);
while (itrobj != SOMF_NIL)
{
    /* Do something with itrobj */
    itrobj = _somfNext(itr, ev);
}
_somfFree (dq);
_somfFree (itr);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TIterator

## Related Information

somfFirst

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## somfPrevious Method

### Purpose

Gets the previous object in a deque collection. The method returns a pointer to the previous object, if found.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. If any child of `somf_TSequenceIterator` is used with `somf_TPrimitiveLinkedListIterator`, then the name of the method must be fully qualified so the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++, for you can reference the method as:

```
itr->somfPrevious(ev);
```

If the `somf_TDeque` Class collection changes while using this iterator, it becomes invalid and will fail to find the previous object. If the collection's `somfAdd` Method is called after starting to iterate through the collection, it will not allow iteration to continue. The iterator must be reset, and the easiest way is to call the iterator's `somfLast` Method.

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfPrevious ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class `somf_TDequeIterator`.  
**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MCollectible** A pointer to the previous `somf_MCollectible` Class object in the collection.  
**SOMF\_NIL** The beginning of the collection has been reached.

### Example

```
somf_TDeque dq;
somf_TDequeIterator itr;
somf_MCollectible itrobj;
Environment *ev;
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();
dq = somf_TDequeNew();
itr = somf_TDequeIteratorNew();
_somfTDequeIteratorInit(itr, ev, dq);
/* Add some objects to dq */
/* set itrobj to point to the next to last object in dq */
somf_TDequeIterator_somfLast(itr, ev);
itrobj = _somfPrevious(itr, ev);
_somFree (dq);
_somFree (itr);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TSequenceIterator (overridden here)

## Related Information

somfLast

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## somfRemove Method

### Purpose

Removes the current object from a deque collection. `somfRemove` is the only way to remove an object from a collection during iteration. If multiple iterators are in process, all the other iterators are invalidated.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. `somfRemove` is a method name declared in multiple parents. You will probably have to fully qualify the method name so the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you can reference this method as:

```
itr->somfRemove(ev);
```

If the `somf_TDeque` Class collection has changed since the last time the `somfFirst` Method or `somfLast` Method was called, the iterator becomes invalid and will fail if asked to remove an object. If the collection's `somfAdd` Method were called after starting to iterate through the collection, it would not allow iteration to continue. The iterator must be reset, and the easiest way is to call the iterator's `somfFirst` or `somfLast` method and restart.

### Syntax

```
void somfRemove ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_TDequeIterator`.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example



```
somf_TDeque dq;
Environment *ev;
somf_TDequeIterator itr;
somf_MCollectible itrobj;
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();
dq = somf_TDequeNew();
itr = somf_TDequeIteratorNew();
_somfTDequeIteratorInit(itr, ev, dq);
/* Add some objects to dq */
/* Use the Iterator's Remove to remove the first object */
itrobj = somf_TDequeIterator_somfFirst(itr, ev);
somf_TDequeIterator_somfRemove(itr, ev);
_somFree (dq);
_somFree (itr);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TIterator

## Related Information

None.

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## somfTDequelteratorInit Method

### Purpose

Initializes a somf\_TDequelterator for a deque collection.

This is one of three ways to initialize a somf\_TDequelterator to point to an instance of a somf\_TDeque collection. One other way is to use the somfCreateltemtor Method of the somf\_TDeque class, and the final way is to use the somf\_TDeque class's somfCreateSequenceltemtor Method.

**Note:** You cannot override this method

### Syntax

```
somf_TDequelterator  
somfTDequelteratorInit(  
    in somf_TDeque h);
```

### Parameters

- receiver**     A pointer to an object of class somf\_TDequelterator.
- ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
- h**              A pointer to the deque object that the receiving object will iterate over.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to an initialized somf\_TDequelterator object.

### Example

```
somf_TDeque dq;  
Environment *ev;  
somf_TDequeIterator itr;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
dq = somf_TDequeNew();  
itr = somf_TDequeIteratorNew();  
_somfTDequelteratorInit(itr, ev, dq);  
_somFree (dq);  
_somFree (itr);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TDequelterator

## Related Information

None.



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## Chapter 9. somf\_TDequeLinkable Class

The somf\_TDequeLinkable class is a subclass of somf\_MLinkable Class. It provides a generic somf\_MLinkable class to contain somf\_MCollectible Class. An object of class somf\_TDequeLinkable is used (transparently) by the somf\_TDeque Class for each node of a deque collection. The somf\_TDequeLinkable object provides the linkability (the left and right links) to its two adjacent nodes in the collection.

The somf\_TDequeLinkable class and methods will probably be of interest to programmers only in two situations:

- if you are creating a new class that needs linkable nodes between objects of the class
- if you are creating a new class that inherits from somf\_TDeque, and it would be appropriate to override some methods of the somf\_TDequeLinkable class to define additional functionality for those methods.

This class is not thread-safe.

This class is reentrant.

### Member Name:

tdeqlink

### Import Name:

GOSSOMUC

### Base Class:

somf\_MLinkable

### Metaclass:

SOMClass

### Ancestor Classes:

somf\_MLinkable Class  
SOMObject

### Subclasses:

None.

### Types:

None.

### Attributes:

None.

**New Methods:**

somfGetValue  
somfSetValue  
somfTDequeLinkableInitDDM  
somfTDequeLinkableInitDD

**Overriding Methods:**

somDefaultInit

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## somfGetValue Method

### Purpose

Gets the value from a somf\_TDequeLinkable node. The method returns a pointer to a somf\_MCollectible Class object containing the value.

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfGetValue ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TDequeLinkable.  
**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to a somf\_MCollectible object containing the value obtained from the somf\_TDequeLinkable object.

### Example

```
somf_TDequeLinkable d1;  
<Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible> obj;  
<Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible> obj2;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
obj = <Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible>New();  
d1 = somf_TDequeLinkableNew();  
_somfSetValue(d1, ev, obj);  
obj2 = (<Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible>*)  
        _somfGetValue(d1, ev);  
_somFree (d1);  
_somFree (obj);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TDequeLinkable

### Related Information

somfSetValue

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## somfSetValue Method

### Purpose

Sets the v alue of a given somf\_TDequeLinkable node.

### Syntax

```
void somfSetValue(  
    in somf_MCollectible v);
```

### Parameters

**receiver**    A pointer to an object of class somf\_TDequeLinkable.  
**ev**            A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**v**             A pointer to the new value of the somf\_TDequeLinkable object.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
somf_TDequeLinkable d1;  
<Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible> obj;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
obj = <Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible>New();  
d1 = somf_TDequeLinkableNew();  
_somfSetValue(d1, ev, obj);  
_somFree (d1);  
_somFree (obj);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TDequeLinkable

### Related Information

somfGetValue



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## somfTDequeLinkableInitDD Method

### Purpose

Initializes a new somf\_TDequeLinkable node, by specifying the adjacent nodes to which it will link. This method does not set a value for the node. The method specifies the previous and next nodes to which the new node will link. However, it does not set a value for the node.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
somf_TDequeLinkable  
somfTDequeLinkableInitDD(  
    in somf_TDequeLinkable previous,  
    in somf_TDequeLinkable next);
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TDequeLinkable.  
**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**previous** A pointer to the somf\_TDequeLinkable before this one.  
**next** A pointer to the somf\_TDequeLinkable after this one.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to the initialized somf\_TDequeLinkable object that represents a node in a deque collection.

### Example

```
somf_TDequeLinkable dll;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
dll = somf_TDequeLinkableNew();  
_somfTDequeLinkableInitDD(dll, ev, SOMF_NIL, SOMF_NIL);  
_somFree (dll);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TDequeLinkable

## Related Information

`somfTDequeLinkableInitDDM`

---

## somfTDequeLinkableInitDDM Method

### Purpose

Initializes a new somf\_TDequeLinkable node. This includes specifying the adjacent nodes and setting the value of the node. The method specifies the previous and next nodes to which the new node will link, and it also passes a value for the new node.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
somf_TDequeLinkable  
somfTDequeLinkableInitDDM(  
    in somf_TDequeLinkable previous,  
    in somf_TDequeLinkable next,  
    in somf_MCollectible value);
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TDequeLinkable.

**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

**previous** A pointer to the somf\_TDequeLinkable before this one.

**value** A pointer to the value of this somf\_TDequeLinkable object that represents a node in a deque collection.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to the initialized somf\_TDequeLinkable object (node).

### Example

```
somf_TDequeLinkable d12;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
d12 = somf_TDequeLinkableNew();  
_somfTDequeLinkableInitDDM(d12, ev, SOMF_NIL, SOMF_NIL, SOMF_NIL);  
_somFree (d12);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TDequeLinkable

## Related Information

`somfTDequeLinkableInitDD`

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## Chapter 10. somf\_TDictionary Class

This class represents a collection of (key, value) pairs. Because dictionaries are sometimes used to represent a bijective mapping, functions for retrieving a *key* given its corresponding *value* are provided, along with the usual access functions. However, this process will probably be slow.

As for the somf\_THashTable Class, each entry in a somf\_TDictionary is actually an object of the somf\_TAssoc Class that holds a pair. In most cases, this use of a somf\_TAssoc object is transparent to the user. However, you need to be aware of this somf\_TAssoc usage, because some somf\_TDictionary methods address the data as separate *key* and *value* parts of a pair, whereas other methods accept or return a single somf\_TAssoc object representing the pair.

The somf\_TDictionary class is very similar to somf\_THashTable. The primary difference is that somf\_TDictionary inherits from somf\_TCollection Class, whereas somf\_THashTable does not. The other distinction is that the somf\_TDictionary class uses the somflsEqual Method as its default comparison function, whereas somf\_THashTable uses somflsSame Method. The somf\_TDictionary class's use of somflsEqual means that equal keys can only appear in the dictionary once.

Objects inserted into a somf\_TDictionary collection must inherit from class somf\_MCollectible Class. In addition, they must override the somfHash Method and the somflsEqual method. These methods are used internally by collections of the somf\_TDictionary class.

Because somf\_TDictionary takes somf\_MCollectible objects as members, any class that inherits from somf\_MCollectible can be a member of the dictionary. This means that you can have a dictionary containing objects of any main collection class.

**Note:** The somf\_TDictionary class uses the somflsEqual. method as the default comparison function. (That is, if *key1*="Bart" and *key2*="Bart", then *key1* and *key2* are equal.) If you do not want to use the somflsEqual method to equate entries, use the initialization methods to change to the somflsSame method.

**Note:** The somf\_TDictionary class does not allow two entries have equal keys. Two separate, distinct entries can hash to the same hash value, but the original keys must not be equal.

### Member Name:

tdict

### Import Name:

GOSSOMUC

### Base Class:

somf\_TCollection

### Metaclass:

SOMClass

**Ancestor Classes:**

somf\_TCollection  
somf\_MCollectible  
SOMObject

**Subclasses:**

None.

**Types:**

None.

**Attributes:**

None.

**New Methods:**

somfAddKeyValuePairMM  
somfAddKeyValuePairMMB  
somfAssign  
somfCopyImplementation  
somfCreateNewImplementationF  
somfCreateNewImplementationFL  
somfCreateNewImplementationFLL  
somfCreateNewImplementationFLLL  
somfDeleteAllKeys  
somfDeleteAllValues  
somfDeleteKey  
somfGetHashFunction  
somfKeyAtM  
somfKeyAtMF  
somfSetHashFunction  
somfTDictionaryInitD  
somfTDictionaryInitF  
somfTDictionaryInitFL  
somfTDictionaryInitFLL  
somfTDictionaryInitL  
somfTDictionaryInitLL  
somfTDictionaryInitLLF  
somfValueAt

**Overriding Methods:**

somDefaultInit  
somDestruct  
somfAdd  
somfCount  
somfCreateIterator  
somfDeleteAll  
somfMember  
somfRemove  
somfRemoveAll

---

## somfAdd Method

### Purpose

Adds a specified *obj* to the dictionary. Do not be misled by this method's interface, which is inherited from the `somf_TCollection` Class. The only objects you can add with `somfAdd` are pairs of the `somf_TAssoc` Class. You cannot use this interface to add a generic `somf_MCollectible` Class object.

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfAdd(  
    in somf_MCollectible obj);
```

### Parameters

- receiver** A pointer to an object of class `somf_TDictionary`.
- ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
- obj** A pointer to an object that inherits from `somf_MCollectible` that will be added to the receiving object.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

`somf_MCollectible`, a pointer to the `somf_MCollectible` object that was added, provided a duplicate object does not exist. Otherwise, it returns a pointer to the value of the duplicate object, if *obj* could not be added because a duplicate is already in the collection.

### Example

```
somf_TDictionary d;  
<Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible> obj;  
<Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible> obj2;  
somf_TAssoc tassoc;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
obj = <Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible>New();  
obj2 = <Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible>New();  
d = somf_TDictionaryNew();  
tassoc = somf_TAssocNew();  
_somfSetKey(tassoc, ev, obj);  
_somfSetValue(tassoc, ev, obj2);  
_somfAdd(d, ev, tassoc);  
_somFree (d);  
_somFree (obj);  
_somFree (obj2);  
_somFree (tassoc);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TCollection (overridden here)

## Related Information

somfAddKeyValuePairMM  
somfAddKeyValuePairMMB



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## somfAddKeyValuePairMM Method

### Purpose

Adds a pair to the receiving dictionary object, and returns a removed object, if removal was necessary. The method also returns the value of the conflicting object (if any) that existed in the dictionary before this call.

Using the specified *key* and *val* arguments, this method transparently creates an object of the somf\_TAssoc Class, before adding the new pair to the dictionary.

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible  
somfAddKeyValuePairMM(  
    in somf_MCollectible key,  
    in somf_MCollectible val);
```

### Parameters

- receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TDictionary.
- ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
- key** A pointer to a somf\_MCollectible object that will be the key of the associated pair.
- val** A pointer to a somf\_MCollectible object that will be the value of the associated pair.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

- somf\_MCollectible** A pointer to the somf\_MCollectible value that had to be removed in order for a new pair to be added.
- SOMF\_NIL** No somf\_MCollectible value had to be removed in order to add the pair.

### Example

```
somf_TDictionary d;  
<Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible> obj;  
<Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible> obj2;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
obj = <Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible>New();  
obj2 = <Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible>New();  
d = somf_TDictionaryNew();  
if (_somfAddKeyValuePairMM(d, ev, obj, obj2) != SOMF_NIL)  
    somPrintf("\n problem adding obj,obj2 to d\n");  
_somFree (d);  
_somFree (obj);  
_somFree (obj2);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TDictionary

## Related Information

somfAdd

somfAddKeyValuePairMMB

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## somfAddKeyValuePairMMB Method

### Purpose

Adds a (key, value) pair to a dictionary, unless the boolean argument prohibits replacement of a conflicting pair.

The `somfAddKeyValuePairMMB` method adds the stipulated pair to the dictionary represented by the receiving object, unless the boolean argument `replace` prohibits this replacement.

If `replace=TRUE`, the pair is added to the dictionary regardless of whether a conflicting pair exists. Otherwise, if `replace = FALSE`, then the pair is added to the dictionary only if there is not a conflicting pair.

Using the specified `key` and `val` arguments, this method transparently creates an object of the `somf_TAssoc` Class, before adding the new pair to the dictionary.

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible  
somfAddKeyValuePairMMB(  
  in somf_MCollectible key,  
  in somf_MCollectible val,  
  in boolean replace);
```

### Parameters

<b>receiver</b>	A pointer to an object of class <code>somf_TDictionary</code> .
<b>ev</b>	A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
<b>key</b>	A pointer to a <code>somf_MCollectible</code> object that is the key of the associated pair.
<b>val</b>	A pointer to a <code>somf_MCollectible</code> object that is the value of the associated pair.
<b>replace</b>	A boolean that indicates if an existing pair with an identical key should be replaced.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

<b>somf_MCollectible</b>	A pointer to the <code>somf_MCollectible</code> value that had to be removed in order for a new pair to be added.
<b>SOMF_NIL</b>	no <code>somf_MCollectible</code> value had to be removed in order to add the pair.

## Example

```
somf_TDictionary d;  
<Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible> obj2;  
<Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible> obj3;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
obj2 = <Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible>New();  
obj3 = <Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible>New();  
d = somf_TDictionaryNew();  
if (_somfAddKeyValuePairMMB(d, ev, obj2, obj3, TRUE)  
    != SOMF_NIL)  
    somPrintf("\n problem adding obj2,obj3 to d\n");  
_somFree (d);  
_somFree (obj2);  
_somFree (obj3);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TDictionary

## Related Information

somfAdd  
somfAddKeyValuePairMM

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## somfAssign Method

### Purpose

Assigns a dictionary as being "equal" to a given source dictionary. The method sets/resets the instance variables of the receiver to the values of the source. This operation is logically equivalent to using the equal (=) operator.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. Thus, if any child of `somf_TDictionary` is used with any other main collection class, then the name of the method must be fully qualified. This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
d->somfAssign(ev, obj);
```

### Syntax

```
void somfAssign(  
    in somf_TDictionary source);
```

### Parameters

<b>receiver</b>	A pointer to an object of class <code>somf_TDictionary</code> .
<b>ev</b>	A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
<b>source</b>	A pointer to the <code>somf_TDictionary</code> object to which the receiving object will be set equal.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
somf_TDictionary d;  
somf_TDictionary d2;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
d = somf_TDictionaryNew();  
d2 = somf_TDictionaryNew();  
/* Add some objects to d */  
/* Assign d2 = d */  
somf_TDictionary_somfAssign(d2, ev, d);  
_somFree (d);  
_somFree (d2);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TDictionary

---

## somfCopyImplementation Method

### Purpose

Returns a hash table that is a copy of the hash table in a given dictionary. Normally, a client program will not need to invoke this method.

### Syntax

```
somf_THashTable  
somfCopyImplementation ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class somf\_TDictionary.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to the new somf\_THashTable initialized to look like the hash table of the receiving object.

### Example

None.

### Original Class

somf\_TDictionary

### Related Information

None.

---

## somfCount Method

### Purpose

Gets the number of objects in a dictionary.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. Since `somf_TDictionary` uses `somf_THashTable`, the name of the method must be fully qualified. This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
d->somfCount(ev);
```

### Syntax

```
long somfCount ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_TDictionary`.  
**ev**            A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns the number of objects in the receiving object.

### Example

```
somf_TDictionary d;  
<Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible> obj;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
d = somf_TDictionaryNew();  
obj = <Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible>New();  
somPrintf("\n Count of d= %d\n", somf_TDictionary_somfCount(d,ev));  
_somFree (d);  
_somFree (obj);
```

### Original Class

`somf_TCollection` (overridden here)



## Related Information

None.

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## somfCreateliterator Method

### Purpose

Returns a new iterator that is suitable for iterating over the objects in this dictionary.

This is one of two ways to initialize a somf\_TDictionaryIterator Class to point to an instance of a somf\_TDictionary. The other way is to use the somf\_TDictionaryIterator's initializer method.

### Syntax

```
somf_TIterator somfCreateliterator ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TDictionary.  
**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to the new iterator.

### Example

```
somf_TDictionary d;  
Environment *ev;  
somf_TDictionaryIterator itr;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
d = somf_TDictionaryNew();  
itr = (somf_TDictionaryIterator*) _somfCreateIterator(d,ev);  
_somFree (d);  
_somFree (itr);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TCollection (overridden here)

### Related Information

None.

---

## somfCreateNewImplementationF Method

### Purpose

Creates a new hash table for a dictionary, given its comparison test method. The method also includes an argument that defines the comparison test method applied to current/potential dictionary objects.

Normally, a client program does not invoke this method. However, if you create a new class that inherits from this class, you might consider overriding this method in order to customize how a somf\_TDictionary object creates a new implementation.

When a somfCreateNewImplementation method does not include arguments for the dictionary's table size, growth rate or rehash threshold, a default number of pairs is assumed for the initial size, and the table subsequently grows by a default number of pairs once the dictionary contains a number of pairs that approaches the current table size.

### Syntax

```
somf_THashTable  
somfCreateNewImplementationF(  
    in somf_MCollectibleCompareFn  
    testfn);
```

### Parameters

- receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TDictionary.
- ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
- testfn** A method pointer specifying either a somflsEqual or a somflsSame method.

This argument should always be set to either  
somf\_MCollectibleClassData.somflsSame or  
somf\_MCollectibleClassData.somflsEqual

This specification is necessary because SOM needs a pointer to the original declaration of the method, which resides in somf\_MCollectible Class. The somf\_TDictionary object will use this pointer to access the somflsSame Method or somflsEqual Method that was declared and defined in the object being inserted into, or removed from, the somf\_TDictionary object.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

## Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to the new hash table.

## Example

```
somf_THashTable ht2;
somf_TDictionary d;
Environment *ev;
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();
d = somf_TDictionaryNew();
ht2 = _somfCreateNewImplementationF
      (d, ev, somf_MCollectibleClassData.somfIsEqual);
_somFree (d);
_somFree (ht2);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TDictionary

## Related Information

somfCreateNewImplementationFL  
somfCreateNewImplementationFLL  
somfCreateNewImplementationFLLL

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## somfCreateNewImplementationFL Method

### Purpose

Creates a new hash table for a dictionary, given its comparison test method and its initial table size. The method includes arguments that define the comparison test method applied to current/potential dictionary objects, and the initial size of the hash table.

Normally, a client program does not invoke this method. However, if you create a new class that inherits from this class, you might consider overriding this method in order to customize how a somf\_TDictionary object creates a new implementation.

When a somfCreateNewImplementation method does not include arguments for the dictionary's growth rate or rehash threshold, the initial table size will grow by a default number of pairs once the table contains a number of pairs that approaches the specified size.

### Syntax

```
somf_THashTable  
somfCreateNewImplementationFL(  
    in somf_MCollectibleCompareFn  
    testfn,  
    in long tablesize);
```

### Parameters

- receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TDictionary.
- ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
- testfn** A method pointer specifying either a somflsEqual or a somflsSame method.
- This argument should always be set to either  
somf\_MCollectibleClassData.somflsSame or  
somf\_MCollectibleClassData.somflsEqual  
because SOM needs a pointer to the original declaration of the method, which resides in somf\_MCollectible Class. The somf\_TDictionary object will use this pointer to access the somflsSame Method or somflsEqual Method that was declared and defined in the object being inserted into, or removed from, the somf\_TDictionary object.
- tablesiz**e The initial size of the hash table in the dictionary, expressed as the number of pairs to expect.

## Restrictions and Limitations

None.

## Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to the new hash table.

## Example

```
somf_THashTable ht3;  
somf_TDictionary d;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
d = somf_TDictionaryNew();  
ht3 = _somfCreateNewImplementationFL(  
    d, ev, somf_MCollectibleClassData.somfIsEqual, 23);  
_somFree (d);  
_somFree (ht3);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TDictionary

## Related Information

somfCreateNewImplementationF  
somfCreateNewImplementationFLL  
somfCreateNewImplementationFLLL

---

## somfCreateNewImplementationFLL Method

### Purpose

Creates a new hash table for a dictionary, given its comparison test method, the initial table size, and the table's growth rate. The method includes arguments that define the comparison test method applied to current/potential dictionary objects, the initial table size, and the table's growth rate.

Normally, a client program does not invoke this method. However, if you create a new class that inherits from this class, you might consider overriding this method in order to customize how a somf\_TDictionary object creates a new implementation.

When a somfCreateNewImplementation... method does not include an argument for the dictionary's rehash threshold, the initial table size will increment by the number of pairs given as the growth rate, once the table contains a number of pairs that approaches the specified size.

### Syntax

```
somf_THashTable  
somfCreateNewImplementationFLL(  
    in somf_MCollectibleCompareFn  
    testfn,  
    in long tablesize,  
    in long rate);
```

### Parameters

- receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TDictionary.
- ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
- testfn** A method pointer specifying either a somflsEqual or a somflsSame method.
- This argument should always be set to either  
somf\_MCollectibleClassData.somfIsSame or  
somf\_MCollectibleClassData.somfIsEqual  
because SOM needs a pointer to the original declaration of the method, which resides in somf\_MCollectible Class. The somf\_TDictionary object will use this pointer to access the somflsSame Method or somflsEqual Method that was declared and defined in the object being inserted into, or removed from, the somf\_TDictionary object.
- tablesize** The initial size of the hash table in the dictionary, expressed as the number of pairs to expect.
- rate** The growth rate of the hash table in the dictionary, expressed as the number of pairs by which to increment the allocated size when growth occurs.

## Restrictions and Limitations

None.

## Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to the new hash table.

## Example

```
somf_THashTable ht4;
somf_TDictionary d;
Environment *ev;
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();
d = somf_TDictionaryNew();
ht4 = _somfCreateNewImplementationFLL(
    d, ev, somf_MCollectibleClassData.somfIsEqual, 23, 20);
_somFree (d);
_somFree (ht4);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TDictionary

## Related Information

somfCreateNewImplementationF  
somfCreateNewImplementationFL  
somfCreateNewImplementationFLLL



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## somfCreateNewImplementationFLLL Method

### Purpose

Creates a new hash table for a dictionary, given its comparison test method, the initial table size, the table's growth rate, and the table's rehash threshold. The hash table is fully specified by arguments that define the comparison test method applied to current/potential dictionary objects, the initial table size, the table's growth rate, and the table's rehash threshold.

Normally, a client program does not invoke this method. However, if you create a new class that inherits from this class, you might consider overriding this method in order to customize how a somf\_TDictionary object creates a new implementation.

### Syntax

```
somf_THashTable  
somfCreateNewImplementationFLLL(  
    in somf_MCollectibleCompareFn  
    testfn,  
    in long tablesize,  
    in long rate,  
    in long threshold);
```

### Parameters

- receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TDictionary.
- ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
- testfn** A method pointer specifying either a somflsEqual or a somflsSame method.
- This argument should always be set to either somf\_MCollectibleClassData.somflsSame or somf\_MCollectibleClassData.somflsEqual because SOM needs a pointer to the original declaration of the method, which resides in somf\_MCollectible Class. The somf\_TDictionary object will use this pointer to access the somflsSame Method or somflsEqual Method that was declared and defined in the object being inserted into, or removed from, the somf\_TDictionary object.
- tablesize** The initial size of the hash table in the dictionary, expressed as the number of pairs to expect.
- rate** The growth rate of the hash table in the dictionary, expressed as the number of pairs by which to increment the allocated size when growth occurs.
- threshold** The rehash threshold of the hash table in the dictionary, expressed as the percentage of how full the dictionary may become before it grows in allocated size.

## Restrictions and Limitations

None.

## Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to the new hash table.

## Example

```
somf_THashTable ht1;
somf_TDictionary d;
Environment *ev;
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();
d = somf_TDictionaryNew();
ht1 = _somfCreateNewImplementationFLLL(
    d, ev, somf_MCollectibleClassData.somfIsEqual,
    23, 20, 80);
_somFree (d);
_somFree (ht1);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TDictionary

## Related Information

somfCreateNewImplementationF  
somfCreateNewImplementationFL  
somfCreateNewImplementationFLL

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## somfDeleteAll Method

### Purpose

Removes all of the pairs from a dictionary and deallocates the storage that these objects might have owned. Also, it deallocates the storage that these objects might have owned.

Be careful with `somfDeleteAll`. Since a collection only contains pointers to objects, rather than the objects themselves, `somfDeleteAll` can cause a problem if a pointer to an object appears more than once. For example, if multiple pointers to *A* exists, or if a single pointer to *A* is in the collection multiple times, the behavior of the code is undefined, because it will try to delete *A* multiple times. If you think there is a chance that an object could appear in the collection more than once, you should consider using `somfRemoveAll` Method to remove the objects from the collection and deleting them some other way.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. Since `somf_TDictionary` uses `somf_THashTable`, then the name of this method must be fully qualified. This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
d->somfDeleteAll(ev);
```

### Syntax

```
void somfDeleteAll ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_TDictionary`.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
somf_TDictionary d;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
d = somf_TDictionaryNew();  
/* Add some objects in the somf_TDictionary */  
/* Remove all the objects AND DELETE THEM */  
somf_TDictionary_somfDeleteAll(d,ev);  
_somFree (d);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TCollection (overridden here)

## Related Information

somfDeleteAllKeys  
somfDeleteAllValues  
somfDeleteKey

---

## somfDeleteAllKeys Method

### Purpose

Removes all of the pairs from a dictionary. The procedure resets the count to zero and calls the destructor on every key in the dictionary. The procedure resets the count to zero and calls the destructor on every key in the dictionary.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. Since `somf_TDictionary` uses `somf_THashTable`, then the name of this method must be fully qualified. This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
d->somfDeleteAllKeys(ev);
```

### Syntax

```
void somfDeleteAllKeys ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_TDictionary`.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
somf_TDictionary d;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
d = somf_TDictionaryNew();  
/* Add some objects in the somf_TDictionary */  
/* Remove all the objects AND DELETE ALL THE KEYS */  
somf_TDictionary_somfDeleteAllKeys(d,ev);  
_somFree (d);
```

### Original Class

`somf_TDictionary`

## Related Information

`somfDeleteAll`  
`somfDeleteAllValues`  
`somfDeleteKey`

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## somfDeleteAllValues Method

### Purpose

Removes all of the pairs from a dictionary. The procedure resets the count to zero and calls the destructor on every value in the hash table. However, the program still owns the objects representing the keys of the pairs.

Because a dictionary only contains pointers to objects, rather than the objects themselves, `somfDeleteAllValues` can cause a problem if a pointer to an object appears more than once. For example, if pointer *A* exists in the collection multiple times, the behavior of the code is undefined, because it will try to delete *A* multiple times. If you think there is a chance that an object could appear more than once, you should consider using `somfRemoveAll` Method to remove the objects from the dictionary and deleting them some other way.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. Since `somf_TDictionary` uses `somf_THashTable`, the name of this method will have to be fully qualified. This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
d->somfDeleteAllValues(ev);
```

### Syntax

```
void somfDeleteAllValues ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_TDictionary`.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
somf_TDictionary d;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somfGetGlobalEnvironment();  
d = somf_TDictionaryNew();  
/* Add some objects in the somf_TDictionary */  
/* Remove all the objects AND DELETE ALL THE VALUES */  
somf_TDictionary_somfDeleteAllValues(d,ev);  
_somFree (d);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TDictionary

## Related Information

somfDeleteAll  
somfDeleteAllKeys  
somfDeleteKey



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## somfDeleteKey Method

### Purpose

Deletes a specified key from the associated pair, and removes the pair from the dictionary. The method also removes the pair from the dictionary represented by the receiving object. The method returns a pointer to the value from the pair.

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfDeleteKey(  
    in somf_MCollectible key);
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TDictionary.  
**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**key** A pointer to a somf\_MCollectible object that is the key of the associated pair to be deleted.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MCollectible** A pointer to the value that was removed because the key was deleted.  
**SOMF\_NIL** The key object was not found.

### Example

```
somf_TDictionary d;  
<Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible> obj;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
obj = <Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible>New();  
d = somf_TDictionaryNew();  
/* Remove the key,value pair AND DELETE THE KEY */  
if (_somfDeleteKey(d, ev, obj) == SOMF_NIL)  
    somPrintf(" Why did DeleteKey say obj wasn't in d? \n");  
_somFree (d);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TDictionary

## Related Information

`somfDeleteAll`  
`somfDeleteAllKeys`  
`somfDeleteAllValues`

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## somfGetHashFunction Method

### Purpose

Returns a pointer to the hash function used by a given dictionary.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. Since `somf_TDictionary` uses `somf_THashTable`, the name of this method will have to be fully qualified. This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
d->somfGetHashFunction(ev);
```

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectibleHashFn  
somfGetHashFunction ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_TDictionary`.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MCollectible**  
This method returns a pointer to the `somfHash` Method used by this dictionary.

### Example

```
somf_TDictionary d;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
d = somf_TDictionaryNew();  
if ((somf_TDictionary_somfGetHashFunction(d,ev)) !=  
    somf_MCollectibleClassData.somfHash)  
    somPrintf("\n What Hash Function are we using?\n");  
_somFree (d);
```

### Original Class

`somf_TDictionary`

## Related Information

`somfSetHashFunction`

---

## somfKeyAtM Method

### Purpose

Gets a dictionary's first key that has a specified val as its associated value.

**Note:** This method involves a slow search.

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfKeyAtM(  
    in somf_MCollectible val);
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TDictionary.  
**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**val** A pointer to a somf\_MCollectible Class that is the value to be searched for.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MCollectible** A pointer to the dictionary's first key that has val as the value of the associated (key, value) pair.  
**SOMF\_NIL** The value was not found in the dictionary.

### Example

```
somf_TDictionary d;  
<Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible> key;  
<Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible> value;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
d = somf_TDictionaryNew();  
value = <Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible>New();  
/* Add a lot of objects to d */  
key = _somfKeyAtM(d, ev, value);  
if (key == SOMF_NIL)  
    somPrintf(" value is no longer in d\n");  
else  
{  
    /* do something with the key */  
}  
_somFree (d);  
_somFree (value);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TDictionary

## Related Information

somfKeyAtMF

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## somfKeyAtMF Method

### Purpose

Gets a dictionary's first key that has a specified val as its associated value. The method includes an argument specifying the method to be used for comparing the values.

**Note:** This method involves a slow search.

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfKeyAtMF(  
  in somf_MCollectible val,  
  in somf_MCollectibleCompareFn  
  testfn);
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TDictionary.

**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

**val** A pointer to a somf\_MCollectible Class object that is the value to be searched for.

**testfn** A method pointer specifying either a somflsEqual or a somflsSame method.

This argument should always be set to either:

somf\_MCollectibleClassData.somflsSame or  
somf\_MCollectibleClassData.somflsEqual.

This specification is necessary because SOM needs a pointer to the original declaration of the method, which resides in somf\_MCollectible. The somf\_TDictionary object will use this pointer to access the somflsSame or somflsEqual method that was declared and defined in the object being inserted into, or removed from, the somf\_TDictionary object.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MCollectible**

A pointer to the dictionary's first key that has val as the value of the associated (key, value) pair.

**SOMF\_NIL** The value was not found in the dictionary.

## Example

```
somf_TDictionary d;
<Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible> key;
<Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible> value;
Environment *ev;
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();
d = somf_TDictionaryNew();
value = <Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible>New();
/* Add a lot of objects to d */
key = _somfKeyAtMF(d, ev, value,
                  somf_MCollectibleClassData.somfIsEqual)
if (key == SOMF_NIL)
    somPrintf(" value is no longer in d\n");
else
{
    /* do something with the key */
}
_somFree (d);
_somFree (value);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TDictionary

## Related Information

somfKeyAtM



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## somfMember Method

### Purpose

Gets the key of a (key, value) pair in the dictionary, if it is found.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. Since `somf_TDictionary` uses `somf_THashTable`, then the name of the method will have to be fully qualified. This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
d->somfMember(ev, obj);
```

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfMember(  
    in somf_MCollectible obj);
```

### Parameters

- receiver** A pointer to an object of class `somf_TDictionary`.
- ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
- key** A pointer to the `somf_MCollectible` Class key of the (key, value) pair that may or may not be in the dictionary.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

- somf\_MCollectible** A pointer to the key of the (key, value) pair that the method determined as the member.
- SOMF\_NIL** The object was not found.

### Example

```
somf_TDictionary d;  
<Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible> obj;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
d = somf_TDictionaryNew();  
obj = <Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible>New();  
/* Add some objects to d */  
/* See if obj is in d */  
if (somf_TDictionary_somfMember(d, ev, obj) == SOMF_NIL)  
    somPrintf("\n obj is NOT in d\n");  
else  
    somPrintf("\n obj IS in d\n");  
_somFree (d);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TCollection (overridden here)

## Related Information

None.

---

## somfRemove Method

### Purpose

Removes from the dictionary the (key, value) pair associated with a given key.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. Since `somf_TDictionary` uses `somf_THashTable`, then the name of the method will have to be fully qualified. This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
d->somfRemove(ev, obj);
```

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfRemove(  
    in somf_MCollectible key);
```

### Parameters

- receiver** A pointer to an object of class `somf_TDictionary`.
- ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
- key** A pointer to the `somf_MCollectible` Class object representing the key to be removed from the dictionary.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

- somf\_MCollectible** A pointer to the value of the (key, value) pair that was removed.
- SOMF\_NIL** The key object was not found

### Example

```
somf_TDictionary d;  
<Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible> key;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
d = somf_TDictionaryNew();  
key = <Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible>New();  
/* Add a lot of objects to d */  
if (somf_TDictionary_somfRemove(d, ev, key) == SOMF_NIL)  
    somPrintf(" Why did Remove say key was not removed?\n");  
_somFree (d);  
_somFree (key);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TCollection (overridden here)

## Related Information

somfRemoveAll

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## somfRemoveAll Method

### Purpose

Removes all of the (key, value) pairs from a dictionary.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. Since `somf_TDictionary` uses `somf_THashTable`, the name of the method will have to be fully qualified. This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
d->somfRemoveAll(ev);
```

### Syntax

```
void somfRemoveAll ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_TDictionary`.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
somf_TDictionary d;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
d = somf_TDictionaryNew();  
/* Add a lot of objects to d */  
/* remove all the objects from d */  
somf_TDictionary_somfRemoveAll(d, ev);  
_somFree (d);
```

### Original Class

`somf_TCollection` (overridden here)

### Related Information

`somfRemove`

---

## somfSetHashFunction Method

### Purpose

Sets a dictionary's hash-function pointer to a given method. By default, this pointer is set to somf\_MCollectible's somfHash Method, which is usually overridden in the objects that are added to the hash table. Normally, a client program does not invoke this method.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. Since somf\_TDictionary uses somf\_THashTable, the name of this method will have to be fully qualified. This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
d->somfSetHashFunction(ev);
```

### Syntax

```
void somfSetHashFunction(  
    in somf_MCollectibleHashFn fn);
```

### Parameters

- |                 |  |
|-----------------|--|
| <b>receiver</b> | A pointer to an object of class somf_TDictionary.  |
| <b>ev</b>       | A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.   |
| <b>fn</b>       | A method pointer specifying a somfHash type method.<br><br>This argument should always be set to<br>somf_MCollectibleClassData.somfHash<br><br>This specification is necessary because SOM needs a pointer to the original declaration of the method, which resides in somf_MCollectible Class. The somf_TDictionary object will use this pointer to access the somfHash Method that was declared and defined in the object being inserted into, or removed from, the somf_TDictionary object. |

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

## Example

```
somf_TDictionary d;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
d = somf_TDictionaryNew();  
somf_TDictionary_somfSetHashFunction(d, ev,  
                                     somf_MCollectibleClassData.somfHash);  
_somFree (d);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TDictionary

## Related Information

somfGetHashFunction

---

## somfTDictionaryInitD Method

### Purpose

Initializes a new dictionary, setting it equal to another specified dictionary. The method also sets the new dictionary equal to another specified dictionary. This implies that the instance data of the new dictionary will be set equal to those of the source dictionary.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
somf_TDictionary  
somfTDictionaryInitD(  
    in somf_TDictionary dictionary);
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TDictionary.  
**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**dictionary** A pointer to the dictionary the receiving object will be equal to.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to an initialized somf\_TDictionary object representing the new dictionary.

### Example

```
somf_TDictionary d2;  
somf_TDictionary d7;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
d2 = somf_TDictionaryNew();  
d7 = somf_TDictionaryNew();  
_somfTDictionaryInitD(d7, ev, d2);  
_somFree (d2);  
_somFree (d7);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TDictionary



## Related Information

`somfTDictionaryInitF`  
`somfTDictionaryInitFL`  
`somfTDictionaryInitFLL`  
`somfTDictionaryInitL`  
`somfTDictionaryInitLL`  
`somfTDictionaryInitLLF`

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## somfTDictionaryInitF Method

### Purpose

Initializes a new dictionary, given its comparison test method. When a `somfDictionaryInit` method does not include arguments for the dictionary's table size or growth rate, a default number of (key, value) pairs is assumed for the initial size, and the table subsequently grows by a default number of pairs once the dictionary contains a number of pairs approaching the current table size.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
somf_TDictionary  
somfTDictionaryInitF(  
    in somf_MCollectibleCompareFn  
    testfn);
```

### Parameters

- receiver** A pointer to an object of class `somf_TDictionary`.
- ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
- testfn** A method pointer specifying either a `somflsEqual` or a `somflsSame` method.
- This argument should always be set to either `somf_MCollectibleClassData.somflsSame` or `somf_MCollectibleClassData.somflsEqual` because SOM needs a pointer to the original declaration of the method, which resides in `somf_MCollectible Class`. The `somf_TDictionary` object will use this pointer to access the `somflsSame Method` or `somflsEqual Method` that was declared and defined in the inserted or removed object.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

A pointer to an initialized `somf_TDictionary` object representing the new dictionary.

### Example

```
somf_TDictionary d3;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
d3 = somf_TDictionaryNew();  
_somfTDictionaryInitF(d3, ev,  
    somf_MCollectibleClassData.somflsEqual);  
_somFree (d3);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TDictionary

## Related Information

None.

---

## somfTDictionaryInitFL Method

### Purpose

Initializes a new dictionary, given its comparison test method and its initial size.

When a somfDictionaryInit method does not include an argument for the dictionary's growth rate, the initial table size will grow by a default number of pairs once the table contains a number of pairs that approaches the specified size.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
somf_TDictionary  
somfTDictionaryInitFL(  
    in somf_MCollectibleCompareFn  
    testfn,  
    in long sizeHint);
```

### Parameters

- receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TDictionary.
- ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
- testfn** A method pointer specifying either a somflsEqual or a somflsSame method.
- This argument should always be set to either somf\_MCollectibleClassData.somflsSame or somf\_MCollectibleClassData.somflsEqual because SOM needs a pointer to the original declaration of the method, which resides in somf\_MCollectible Class. The somf\_TDictionary object will use this pointer to access the somflsSame Method or somflsEqual Method that was declared and defined in the inserted or removed object.
- sizeHint** The initial size of the dictionary, expressed as the number of (key, value) pairs to expect.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to an initialized somf\_TDictionary object representing the new dictionary.

## Example

```
somf_TDictionary d2;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
d2 = somf_TDictionaryNew();  
_somfTDictionaryInitFL(d2, ev,  
                        somf_MCollectibleClassData.somfIsEqual, 8);  
_somFree (d2);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TDictionary

## Related Information

- somfTDictionaryInitD
- somfTDictionaryInitF
- somfTDictionaryInitFLL
- somfTDictionaryInitL
- somfTDictionaryInitLL
- somfTDictionaryInitLLF

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## somfTDictionaryInitFLL Method

### Purpose

Initializes a new dictionary, given its comparison test method, its initial size, and its initial growth rate.

**Note:** This method is equivalent to the somfTDictionaryInitLLF Method.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
somf_TDictionary  
somfTDictionaryInitFLL(  
    in somf_MCollectibleCompareFn  
    testfn,  
    in long sizeHint,  
    in long growthRate);
```

### Parameters

- receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TDictionary.
- ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
- testfn** A method pointer specifying either a somflsEqual or a somflsSame method.
- This argument should always be set to either somf\_MCollectibleClassData.somflsSame or somf\_MCollectibleClassData.somflsEqual because SOM needs a pointer to the original declaration of the method, which resides in somf\_MCollectible Class. The somf\_TDictionary object will use this pointer to access the somflsSame Method or somflsEqual Method that was declared and defined in the inserted or removed object.
- sizeHint** The initial size of the dictionary, expressed as the number of (key, value) pairs to expect.
- growthRate** The initial growth rate, expressed as the number of (key, value) pairs by which to increment the allocated size when growth occurs.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

## Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to the initialized `somf_TDictionary` object representing the new dictionary.

## Example

```
somf_TDictionary d1;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
d1 = somf_TDictionaryNew();  
_somfTDictionaryInitFLL(d1, ev,  
    somf_MCollectibleClassData.somfIsEqual, 8, 8);  
_somFree (d1);
```

## Original Class

`somf_TDictionary`

## Related Information

- `somfTDictionaryInitD`
- `somfTDictionaryInitF`
- `somfTDictionaryInitFL`
- `somfTDictionaryInitL`
- `somfTDictionaryInitLL`
- `somfTDictionaryInitLLF`

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## somfTDictionaryInitL Method

### Purpose

Initializes a new dictionary, given its initial size.

When a somfDictionaryInit... method does not include an argument for the dictionary's growth rate, the initial table size will grow by a default number of pairs once the table contains a number of pairs that approaches the specified size. When a comparison method is not specified, the default somflsEqual Method is used unless the somfSetHashFunction Method has changed it to somflsSame Method.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
somf_TDictionary  
somfTDictionaryInitL(  
    in long sizeHint);
```

### Parameters

- receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TDictionary.
- ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
- sizeHint** The initial size of the dictionary, expressed as the number of (key, value) pairs to expect.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to an initialized somf\_TDictionary object representing the new dictionary.

### Example

```
somf_TDictionary d6;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
d6 = somf_TDictionaryNew();  
_somfTDictionaryInitL(d6, ev, 8);  
_somFree (d6);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TDictionary



## Related Information

`somfTDictionaryInitD`  
`somfTDictionaryInitF`  
`somfTDictionaryInitFL`  
`somfTDictionaryInitFLL`  
`somfTDictionaryInitLL`  
`somfTDictionaryInitLLF`

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## somfTDictionaryInitLL Method

### Purpose

Initializes a new dictionary, given its initial size and its initial growth rate. The default somflsEqual Method is used as the comparison method, unless the somfSetHashFunction Method has changed it to somflsSame Method.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
somf_TDictionary  
somfTDictionaryInitLL(  
    in long sizeHint,  
    in long growthRate);
```

### Parameters

- receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TDictionary.
- ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
- sizeHint** The initial size of the dictionary, expressed as the number of (key, value) pairs to expect.
- growthRate** The initial growth rate, expressed as the number of (key, value) pairs by which to increment the allocated size when growth occurs.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to an initialized somf\_TDictionary object representing the new dictionary.

### Example

```
somf_TDictionary d5;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
d5 = somf_TDictionaryNew();  
_somfTDictionaryInitLL(d5, ev, 8, 8);  
_somFree (d5);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TDictionary

## Related Information

`somfTDictionaryInitD`  
`somfTDictionaryInitF`  
`somfTDictionaryInitFL`  
`somfTDictionaryInitFLL`  
`somfTDictionaryInitL`  
`somfTDictionaryInitLLF`

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## somfTDictionaryInitLLF Method

### Purpose

Initializes a new dictionary, given its initial size, its initial growth rate, and its comparison test method.

**Note:** This method is equivalent to the somfTDictionaryInitFLL Method. method.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
somf_TDictionary  
somfTDictionaryInitLLF(  
    in long sizeHint,  
    in long growthRate,  
    in somf_MCollectibleCompareFn  
    testfn);
```

### Parameters

- receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TDictionary.
- ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
- sizeHint** The initial size of the dictionary, expressed as the number of (key, value) pairs to expect.
- growthRate** The initial growth rate, expressed as the number of (key, value) pairs by which to increment the allocated size when growth occurs.
- testfn** A method pointer specifying either a somflsEqual or somflsSame method.

This argument should always be set to either  
somf\_MCollectibleClassData.somflsSame or  
somf\_MCollectibleClassData.somflsEqual.

because SOM needs a pointer to the original declaration of the method, which resides in somf\_MCollectible Class. The somf\_TDictionary object will use this pointer to access the somflsSame Method or somflsEqual Method that was declared and defined in the inserted or removed object.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

## Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to an initialized `somf_TDictionary` object representing the new dictionary.

## Example

```
somf_TDictionary d4;
Environment *ev;
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();
d4 = somf_TDictionaryNew();
_somfTDictionaryInitLLF(d4, ev, 8, 8,
                        somf_MCollectibleClassData.somfIsEqual);
_somFree (d4);
```

## Original Class

`somf_TDictionary`

## Related Information

- `somfTDictionaryInitD`
- `somfTDictionaryInitF`
- `somfTDictionaryInitFL`
- `somfTDictionaryInitFLL`
- `somfTDictionaryInitL`
- `somfTDictionaryInitLL`

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## somfValueAt Method

### Purpose

Gets the value associated with a given key for a (key, value) pair in a dictionary.

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfValueAt  
    (in somf_MCollectible key);
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TDictionary.  
**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**key** A pointer to a somf\_MCollectible Class object that is the key to be searched for.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MCollectible** A pointer to the somf\_MCollectible object that is the value associated with the key.  
**SOMF\_NIL** The key was not found in the dictionary.

### Example

```
somf_TDictionary d;  
somf_MCollectible value;  
<Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible> key;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
d = somf_TDictionaryNew();  
key = <Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible>New();  
/* Add a lot of objects to d */  
value = _somfValueAt(d, ev, key);  
_somFree (d);  
_somFree (key);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TDictionary

## Related Information

None.





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## Chapter 11. somf\_TDictionaryIteator Class

The somf\_TDictionaryIteator class defines an iterator for the somf\_TDictionary Class that will iterate over all of the objects in a dictionary.

**Note:** Do not be misled by the interface of methods in this class. Recall that each entry in a somf\_TDictionary is actually an object of the somf\_TAssoc Class that holds a (key, value) pair. Thus, the somfFirst and somfNext methods in the somf\_TDictionaryIteator class actually return somf\_TAssoc objects, not simply objects of the somf\_MCollectible Class. You must handle the return values as if they were somf\_TAssoc's.

Although the methods in this class are reentrant, the class is not thread-safe on multi-thread applications. If a pointer to an instance of this class will be passed to multiple threads, the code in those threads must guarantee thread-safe usage of the class.

### Member Name:

tdictitr

### Import Name:

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### Base Class:

somf\_TIteator

### Metaclass:

SOMClass

### Ancestor Classes:

somf\_TIteator  
SOMObject

### Subclasses:

None.

### Types:

None.

### Attributes:

None.

### New Methods:

somfTDictionaryIteatorInit

### Overriding Methods:

somDefaultInit  
somDestruct  
somfFirst  
somfNext  
somfRemove

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## somfFirst Method

### Purpose

Resets the iterator and returns the first (key, value) pair from a dictionary.

This resets the iterator to the beginning of the dictionary. This is true not only for the first time you use the iterator; it is also true if other operations on the dictionary cause the iterator to be invalidated. In the second case, the method also revalidates the iterator.

Do not be misled by this method's interface, which is inherited from the `somf_TIterator` Class. The only objects returned with `somfFirst` are (key, value) pairs of the `somf_TAssoc` Class. You cannot use the return value as a generic `somf_MCollectible` Class object.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. `somfFirst` is a method name declared in multiple parents (example: `somf_TSequence`, `somf_TIterator`). You will probably have to fully qualify the method name (for example: `somf_TDictionaryIterator_somfFirst`). This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
itr->somfFirst(ev);
```

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfFirst ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_TDictionaryIterator`.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MCollectible**     A pointer to the first `somf_MCollectible` object in the dictionary.  
**SOMF\_NIL**     Is returned if the collection is empty.

## Example

```
somf_TDictionary d;
Environment *ev;
somf_TDictionaryIterator itr;
somf_TAssoc itrobj;
somf_MCollectible objk;
somf_MCollectible objv;
ev = somf_GetGlobalEnvironment();
d = somf_TDictionaryNew();
itr = somf_TDictionaryIteratorNew();
_somf_TDictionaryIteratorInit(itr, ev, d);
/* Add some object to d */
/* Iterate through the TDictionary */
itrobj = somf_TDictionaryIterator_somfFirst(itr, ev);
while (itrobj != SOMF_NIL)
{
    objk = _somf_GetKey(itrobj, ev);
    objv = _somf_GetValue(itrobj, ev);
    /* Do something with objk or objv */
    itrobj = _somfNext(itr, ev);
}
_somfFree (d);
_somfFree (itr);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TIterator (overridden here)

## Related Information

somfNext

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## somfNext Method

### Purpose

Gets the next (key, value) pair in the dictionary of a given dictionary iterator. The method also returns a pointer to the next (key, value) pair, if found. Objects are retrieved in an order that reflects the "ordered-ness" of the dictionary (or the lack of ordering on the dictionary objects).

Do not be misled by this method's interface, which is inherited from the `somf_TIterator` Class. The only objects returned with `somfNext` are (key, value) pairs of the `somf_TAssoc` Class. You cannot use the return value as a generic `somf_MCollectible` Class object.

If the dictionary has changed since the last time `somfFirst` was called (other than through the use of the `somfRemove` Method method of this iterator), this method will fail.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. Thus, if any child of `somf_TIterator` is used with an object of the `somf_TPrimitiveLinkedListIterator` class, then the name of the method must be fully qualified (example: `somf_TDictionaryIterator_somfNext`). This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
itr->somfNext(ev);
```

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfNext ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class `somf_TDictionaryIterator`.  
**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MCollectible** A pointer to the next `somf_MCollectible` object in the dictionary.  
**SOMF\_NIL** The end of the dictionary has been reached.

## Example

```
somf_TDictionary d;
Environment *ev;
somf_TDictionaryIterator itr;
somf_TAssoc itrobj;
somf_MCollectible objk;
somf_MCollectible objv;
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();
d = somf_TDictionaryNew();
itr = somf_TDictionaryIteratorNew();
_somfTDictionaryIteratorInit(itr, ev, d);
/* Add some object to d */
/* Iterate through the TDictionary */
itrobj = somf_TDictionaryIterator_somfFirst(itr, ev);
while (itrobj != SOMF_NIL)
{
    objk = _somfGetKey(itrobj, ev);
    objv = _somfGetValue(objk, ev);
    /* Do something with objk or objv */
    itrobj = _somfNext(itr, ev);
}
_somfFree (d);
_somfFree (itr);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TIterator (overridden here)

## Related Information

somfFirst

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## somfRemove Method

### Purpose

Removes the current (key, value) pair, the one just returned by somfFirst or somfNext, from the dictionary.

The somfRemove method is the only way to remove a (key, value) object from a dictionary during iteration. However, if multiple iterators are in process, all the other iterators are invalidated, just as if some other kind of change had occurred in the dictionary.

If the dictionary has changed since the last time somfFirst was called (other than through the use of the somfRemove method of this iterator), this method will fail.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. somfRemove is a method name declared in multiple parents. You will probably have to fully qualify the method name. This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
itr->somfRemove(ev);
```

### Syntax

```
void somfRemove ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class somf\_TDictionaryIterator.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
somf_TDictionary d;
Environment *ev;
somf_TDictionaryIterator itr;
somf_MCollectible itrobj;
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();
d = somfdictionaryinit();
itr = somf_TDictionaryIteratorNew();
_somfTDictionaryIteratorInit(itr, ev, d);
/* Add some objects to d */
/* Use the Iterator's Remove to remove the first object */
itrobj = somf_TDictionaryIterator_somfFirst(itr, ev);
somf_TDictionaryIterator_somfRemove(itr, ev);
_somFree (d);
_somFree (itr);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TIterator

## Related Information

None.



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## somfTDictionarylteratorInit Method

### Purpose

Initializes a somf\_TDictionarylterator iterator for a specified dictionary.

This is one of two ways to initialize a somf\_TDictionarylterator to point to an instance of a somf\_TDictionary dictionary. The other way is to use the somf\_TDictionary class's somfCreatelterator Method.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
somf_TDictionarylterator  
somfTDictionarylteratorInit(  
    in somf_TDictionary h);
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TDictionarylterator.

**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

**h** A pointer to the dictionary object that the receiving object will iterate over.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to an initialized somf\_TDictionarylterator object.

### Example

```
somf_TDictionary d;  
Environment *ev;  
somf_TDictionarylterator itr;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
d = somf_TDictionaryNew();  
itr = somf_TDictionarylteratorNew();  
_somfTDictionarylteratorInit (itr, ev, d);  
_somFree (d);  
_somFree (itr);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TDictionarylterator

## Related Information

None.

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## Chapter 12. somf\_THashTable Class

Every hash table contains a set of (key, value) pairs that associate a key with a value. Hash tables provide fast lookup of a value when given its associated key, even if there are a large number of entries in the table. Methods are provided for the usual operations and for controlling when rehashing will occur, and the growth of the table when a rehash occurs.

As for the somf\_TDictionary Class, each entry in a somf\_THashTable is an object of the somf\_TAssoc Class that holds a pair. In most cases, this use of a somf\_TAssoc object is transparent to the user. However, you need to be aware of this somf\_TAssoc usage, because some somf\_THashTable methods address the data as separate *key* and *value* parts of a pair, whereas other methods accept or return a single somf\_TAssoc object representing the pair.

The somf\_THashTable class is very similar to somf\_TDictionary. The primary difference is that somf\_THashTable inherits directly from the somf\_MCollectible Class, whereas somf\_TDictionary is another level down, inheriting from somf\_TCollection Class. The other distinction is that the somf\_THashTable class uses the somflsSame Method as its default comparison function, whereas somf\_TDictionary uses somflsEqual Method.

Objects inserted into a somf\_THashTable collection must inherit from somf\_MCollectible. In addition, they should override the somfHash Method, and the somflsEqual method. These methods are used internally by objects of the somf\_THashTable class.

Because somf\_THashTable takes somf\_MCollectible objects as members, any class that inherits from somf\_MCollectible can be a member of the hash table. This means you can have a hash table containing objects of any main collection class.

**Note:** The somf\_THashTable class uses the somflsSame method as the default comparison function. That is, if *key1*="Bart" and *key2*="Bart", *key1* and *key2* are not the same. Only *key1* is the same as *key1*. If you do not want to use the somflsSame method to equate entries, use one of the initialization methods to change to the somflsEqual method. Just be aware that if the comparison methods are changed, the objects inserted into the somf\_THashTable must have somflsEqual and somfHash overridden.

**Note:** This Hash Table does not allow two pairs to have the same key. Two separate, distinct pairs can hash to the same hash value, but the instantiation of each original key must be unique.

Although the methods in this class are reentrant, the class is not thread-safe on multi-thread applications. If a pointer to an instance of this class will be passed to multiple threads, the code in those threads must guarantee thread-safe usage of the class.

### Member Name:

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**Base Class:**

somf\_MCollectible

**Metaclass:**

SOMClass

**Ancestor Classes:**

somf\_MCollectible  
SOMObject

**Subclasses:**

None.

**Types:**

None.

**Attributes:**

None.

**New Methods:**

somfCount  
somfRemove  
somfDelete  
somfMember  
somfRemoveAll  
somfDeleteAll  
somfDeleteAllKeys  
somfDeleteAllValues  
somfAddMMB  
somfAddMM  
somfGrow  
somfRetrieve  
somfGetRehashThreshold  
somfSetRehashThreshold  
somfGetGrowthRate  
somfSetGrowthRate  
somfGetHashFunction  
somfSetHashFunction  
somfAssign  
somfTHashTableInitFLLL  
somfTHashTableInitFLL  
somfTHashTableInitFL  
somfTHashTableInitH

**Overriding Methods:**

somDefaultInit  
somDestruct

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## somfAddMM Method

### Purpose

Adds a pair to the hash table. This method will replace a copy if one already exists. Using the arguments, this method transparently creates an object of the `somf_TAssoc` Class, before adding the new pair to the hash table.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfAddMM(  
    in somf_MCollectible key,  
    in somf_MCollectible value);
```

### Parameters

- receiver** A pointer to an object of class `somf_THashTable`.
- ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
- key** A pointer to a `somf_MCollectible` object that will be the key of the associated pair.
- value** A pointer to a `somf_MCollectible` object that will be the value of the associated pair.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

- somf\_MCollectible** A pointer to the `somf_MCollectible` object that was removed when *value* was inserted.
- SOMF\_NIL** No object had to be removed to add the new pair.

### Example

```
somf_THashTable ht;  
<Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible> obj;  
<Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible> obj2;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
obj = <Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible>New();  
obj2 = <Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible>New();  
ht = somf_THashTableNew();  
if (_somfAddMM(ht, ev, obj, obj2) != SOMF_NIL)  
    somPrintf("\n problem adding obj,obj2 to ht\n");  
_somFree (ht);  
_somFree (obj);  
_somFree (obj2);
```

## Original Class

`somf_THashTable`

## Related Information

`somfAddMMB`

---

## somfAddMMB Method

### Purpose

Adds a pair to the hash table, unless the boolean argument prohibits replacement of a copy (a pair with the same key).

If *replace* = TRUE, the pair is added to the hash table regardless of whether a copy (a pair having the same key) already exists. Otherwise, if *replace* = FALSE, then the pair is added to the hash table only if a copy does not exist. Using the specified *key* and *value* arguments, this method transparently creates an object of the *somf\_TAssoc* Class, before adding the new pair to the hash table.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfAddMMB(  
  in somf_MCollectible key,  
  in somf_MCollectible value,  
  in boolean replace);
```

### Parameters

- |                 |   |
|-----------------|---|
| <b>receiver</b> | A pointer to an object of class <i>somf_THashTable</i> .  |
| <b>ev</b>       | A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.                                  |
| <b>key</b>      | A pointer to a <i>somf_MCollectible</i> object that is the key of the associated pair.          |
| <b>value</b>    | A pointer to a <i>somf_MCollectible</i> object that is the value of the associated pair.        |
| <b>replace</b>  | A boolean indicating whether an already existing pair with an identical key should be replaced. |

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MCollectible**

A pointer to the *somf\_MCollectible* value that had to be removed in order to add a new pair.

**SOMF\_NIL**

No *somf\_MCollectible* value had to be removed in order to add the pair.



## Example

```
somf_THashTable ht;
<Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible> obj2;
<Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible> obj3;
Environment *ev;
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();
obj2 = <Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible>New();
obj3 = <Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible>New();
ht = somf_THashTableNew();
if (_somfAddMMB(ht, ev, obj2, obj3, FALSE) != SOMF_NIL)
    somPrintf("\n problem adding obj2,obj3 to ht\n");
_somFree (ht);
_somFree (obj2);
_somFree (obj3);
```

## Original Class

somf\_THashTable

## Related Information

somfAddMM

---

## somfAssign Method

### Purpose

Assigns a hash table as being equal to a given source hash table. The method sets/resets the instance variables of the receiver to the values of the source. This operation is logically equivalent to using the equal (=) operator.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. Thus, if any child of `somf_THashTable` is used with any other main collection class, then the name of the method must be fully qualified. This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
d->somfAssign(ev, obj);
```

### Syntax

```
void somfAssign(  
    in somf_THashTable source);
```

### Parameters

<b>receiver</b>	A pointer to an object of class <code>somf_THashTable</code> .
<b>ev</b>	A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
<b>source</b>	A pointer to the <code>somf_THashTable</code> to which the receiving object should be set equal.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
somf_THashTable h1;  
somf_THashTable h2;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
h1 = somf_THashTableNew();  
h2 = somf_THashTableNew();  
/* Add a lot of objects to h1 */  
/* Assign h2 to the contents of h1 */  
somf_THashTable_somfAssign(h2, ev, h1);  
_somFree (h1);  
_somFree (h2);
```

## Original Class

somf\_THashTable

## Related Information

None.

---

## somfCount Method

### Purpose

Gets the number of objects in the hash table.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. Thus, if any child of somf\_TCollection is used with a child of somf\_THashTable, then the name of the method will have to be fully qualified. This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
d->somfCount(ev);
```

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
long somfCount ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_THashTable.  
**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns the number of objects in the hash table.

### Example

```
somf_THashTable ht;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
ht = somf_THashTableNew();  
/* Add some objects to ht */  
/* Print the number of objects in ht */  
somPrintf("\n Count of ht= %d\n",  
          somf_THashTable_somfCount(ht,ev));  
_somFree (ht)
```

### Original Class

somf\_THashTable

## Related Information

None.

---

## somfDelete Method

### Purpose

Deletes a given key and removes the associated pair from a hash table, returning a pointer to the value that was removed.

A hash table does not contain copies of the objects, but pointers to the objects. Using `somfDelete` deletes the original object. If an attempt is made to delete a `somf_MCollectible` Class object already deleted, this will cause a segmentation violation.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfDelete(  
    in somf_MCollectible key);
```

### Parameters

- receiver** A pointer to an object of class `somf_THashTable`.
- ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
- key** A pointer to a `somf_MCollectible` object that is the key of the pair to be deleted.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

- somf\_MCollectible** A pointer to the value that was removed because the key was deleted.
- SOMF\_NIL** The key object was not found.

### Example

```
somf_THashTable ht;  
<Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible> obj;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
obj = <Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible>New();  
ht = somf_THashTableNew();  
/* Add a lot of objects to ht */  
/* Remove all occurrences of obj from ht AND DELETE obj */  
if (_somfDelete(ht, ev, obj) == SOMF_NIL)  
    somPrintf(" Why did Delete say obj wasn't in ht? \n");  
_somFree (ht);
```

## Original Class

somf\_THashTable

## Related Information

somfDeleteAll  
somfDeleteAllKeys  
somfDeleteAllValues

---

## somfDeleteAll Method

### Purpose

Removes all of the pairs from a hash table and deallocates the storage that these pairs might have owned. It also deallocates the storage that these pairs might have owned (that is, the destructor function is called for each object in the hash table).

Be careful with `somfDeleteAll`. Since a collection only contains pointers to objects (rather than the objects themselves), `somfDeleteAll` can cause a problem if a pointer to an object appears more than once. For example, if multiple pointers to *A* exists, or if a single pointer to *A* is in the collection multiple times, the behavior of the code is undefined, because it will try to delete *A* multiple times. If you think there is a chance that an object could appear in the collection more than once, you should consider using `somfRemoveAll` Method to remove the objects from the collection and deleting them some other way.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. Thus, if any child of `somf_TCollection` is used with a child of `somf_THashTable`, then the name of the method will have to be fully qualified (example: `somf_THashTable_somfDeleteAll`). This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
d->somfDeleteAll(ev);
```

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
void somfDeleteAll ();
```

### Parameters

- receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_THashTable`.
- ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.



## Example

```
somf_THashTable ht;
Environment *ev;
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();
ht = somf_THashTableNew();
/* Add a lot of objects to ht */
/* Remove all objects from ht AND DELETE THEM */
somf_THashTable_somfDeleteAll(ht,ev);
_somFree (ht);
```

## Original Class

somf\_THashTable

## Related Information

somfDelete  
somfDeleteAllKeys  
somfDeleteAllValues

---

## somfDeleteAllKeys Method

### Purpose

Removes all of the pairs from a hash-table receiving object. However, the program still owns the values of the pairs. However, the program still owns the values of the pairs. The destructor function is called for each key in the hash table. However, the program still owns the objects representing the values of the pairs.

Be careful with `somfDeleteAllKeys`. A hash table does not contain copies of the objects; it contains pointers to the objects. Using `somfDeleteAllKeys` deletes the original object. If an attempt is made to delete a `somf_MCollectible` Class object that has already been deleted, this will cause a segmentation violation.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. Thus, if any child of `somf_TCollection` is used with a child of `somf_THashTable`, then the name of the method will have to be fully qualified. This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
d->somfDeleteAllKeys(ev);
```

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
void somfDeleteAllKeys ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_THashTable`.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
somf_THashTable ht;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
ht = somf_THashTableNew();  
/* Add a lot of objects to ht */  
/* Remove all objects from ht AND DELETE ALL THE KEYS */  
somf_THashTable_somfDeleteAllKeys(ht,ev);  
_somFree (ht);
```

## Original Class

somf\_THashTable

## Related Information

somfDeleteAll  
somfDelete  
somfDeleteAllValues

---

## somfDeleteAllValues Method

### Purpose

Removes all of the pairs from a hash table. However, the program still owns the keys of the pairs. It also deallocates the storage that these objects might have owned and resets the count to zero. The destructor function is called for each value in the hash table. However, the program still owns the objects representing the keys of the pairs.

Be careful with `somfDeleteAllValues`. A hash table does not contain copies of the objects; it contains pointers to the objects. Using `somfDeleteAllValues` deletes the original object. If an attempt is made to delete a `somf_MCollectible` Class object that has already been deleted, this will cause a segmentation violation.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. Thus, if any child of `somf_TCollection` is used with a child of `somf_THashTable`, then the name of the method will have to be fully qualified. This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
d->somfDeleteAllValues(ev);
```

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
void somfDeleteAllValues ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_THashTable`.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
somf_THashTable ht;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
ht = somf_THashTableNew();  
/* Add a lot of objects to ht */  
/* Remove all objects from ht AND DELETE ALL THE VALUES */  
somf_THashTable_somfDeleteAllValues(ht, ev);  
_somFree (ht);
```

## Original Class

somf\_THashTable

## Related Information

somfDeleteAll  
somfDeleteAllKeys  
somfDelete

---

## somfGetGrowthRate Method

### Purpose

Gets the growth rate of a given hash table.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
long somfGetGrowthRate ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_THashTable.

**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns the growth rate for the hash table.

### Example

```
somf_THashTable ht;
Environment *ev;
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();
ht = somf_THashTableNew();
somPrintf(" Rate should be 20 and is %d \n",
          _somfGetGrowthRate(ht,ev);
_somFree (ht);
```

### Original Class

somf\_THashTable

### Related Information

somfSetGrowthRate

---

## somfGetHashFunction Method

### Purpose

Gets the hash function used by a given hash table.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. Thus, if a child of `somf_THashTable` is used with a child of `somf_TDictionary` or `somf_TSet`, then the name of the method will have to be fully qualified. This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
d->somfGetHashFunction(ev);
```

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectibleHashFn  
somfGetHashFunction ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_THashTable`.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to the hash function.

### Example

```
somf_THashTable ht;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somfGetGlobalEnvironment();  
ht = somf_THashTableNew();  
if ((somf_THashTable_somfGetHashFunction(ht, ev)) !=  
    somf_MCollectibleClassData.somfHash)  
    somfPrintf("\n What Hash Function are we using?\n");  
_somfFree (ht);
```

### Original Class

`somf_THashTable`

## Related Information

`somfSetHashFunction`



---

## somfGetRehashThreshold Method

### Purpose

Gets the rehash threshold of a given hash table. The rehash threshold is the percentage of how full the hash table should be before it needs to grow. For example: 80 means 80% of the hash table should be full before the table needs to grow.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
long somfGetRehashThreshold ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_THashTable.

**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns the rehash threshold of the hash table.

### Example

```
somf_THashTable ht;
Environment *ev;
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();
ht = somf_THashTableNew();
somPrintf(" RehashThreshold should be 80 and is %d \n",
         _somfGetRehashThreshold(ht,ev));
_somFree (ht);
```

### Original Class

somf\_THashTable

### Related Information

somfSetRehashThreshold

---

## somfGrow Method

### Purpose

Grows a given hash table.

The somfGrow method increases the size allocation for the hash table represented by the receiving object. Growth is determined by the growth rate argument (if any) specified in the initialization method for the hash table, or by the growth rate in the somfSetGrowthRate Method.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
void somfGrow ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class somf\_THashTable.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
somf_THashTable ht;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
ht = somf_THashTableNew();  
/* Add a lot of objects to ht */  
_somfGrow(ht, ev);  
_somFree (ht);
```

### Original Class

somf\_THashTable

### Related Information

None.

---

## somfMember Method

### Purpose

Gets the key of a pair in a hash table, if it is found.

The `somfMember` method determines whether the pair corresponding to a specified *key* is in the hash table represented by the receiving object and, if so, returns a pointer to the key object.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. Thus, if any child of `somf_TCollection` is used with a child of `somf_THashTable`, then the name of the method will have to be fully qualified. This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
d->somfMember(ev, key);
```

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfMember(  
    in somf_MCollectible key);
```

### Parameters

- receiver** A pointer to an object of class `somf_THashTable`.
- ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
- key** A pointer to the `somf_MCollectible` key of the pair that may or may not be a member of the Hash Table.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

- somf\_MCollectible** A pointer to the key of the pair the method determined as the member.
- SOMF\_NIL** The object was not found.

### Example

```
somf_THashTable ht;
<Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible> obj;
Environment *ev;
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();
obj = <Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible>New();
ht = somf_THashTableNew();
/* Add a lot of objects to ht */
/* See if obj is in ht */
if (somf_THashTable_somfMember(ht, ev,obj) != SOMF_NIL)
    somPrintf("\n obj IS in ht\n");
else
    somPrintf("\n obj is NOT in ht\n");
_somFree (ht);
```

## Original Class

somf\_THashTable

## Related Information

None.

---

## somfRemove Method

### Purpose

Removes from the hash table the pair associated with a given key.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. `somfRemove` is a method name declared in multiple parents. You will probably have to fully qualify the method name. This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
d->somfremoveall(ev, key);
```

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfRemove(  
    in somf_MCollectible key);
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class `somf_THashTable`.  
**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**key** A pointer to the `somf_MCollectible` key of the pair to be removed.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MCollectible** A pointer to the value of the pair that was removed.  
**SOMF\_NIL** The *key* object was not found.

### Example

```
somf_THashTable ht;  
<Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible> key;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
ht = somf_THashTableNew();  
key = <Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible>New();  
/* Add a lot of objects to ht */  
if (somf_THashTable_somfRemove(ht, ev, key) == SOMF_NIL)  
    somPrintf(" Why did Remove say key was not removed?\n");  
_somFree (ht);  
_somFree (key);
```

## Original Class

somf\_THashTable

## Related Information

somfRemoveAll

---

## somfRemoveAll Method

### Purpose

Removes all of the (key, value) pairs from a hash table.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. Thus, if any child of somf\_TCollection is used with a child of somf\_THashTable, then the name of the method will have to be fully qualified. This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
d->somfRemoveAll(ev);
```

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
void somfRemoveAll ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_THashTable.

**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
somf_THashTable ht;
Environment *ev;
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();
ht = somf_THashTableNew();
/* Add a lot of objects to ht */
/* Remove all the objects from ht */
somf_THashTable_somfRemoveAll(ht, ev);
_somFree (ht);
```

### Original Class

somf\_THashTable

## Related Information

`somfRemove`



---

## somfRetrieve Method

### Purpose

Retrieves the value associated with a given key for a (key, value) pair in a hash table.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfRetrieve(  
    in somf_MCollectible key);
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_THashTable.

**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

**key** A pointer to the somf\_MCollectible key for the associated value to be retrieved.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MCollectible** A pointer to the value associated with the given key.

**SOMF\_NIL** The key was not found in the hash table.

### Example

```
somf_THashTable ht;  
<Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible> key;  
<Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible> value;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
key = <Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible>New();  
ht = somf_THashTableNew();  
/* Add some objects to ht */  
/* Determine the value associated with key */  
value = _somfRetrieve(ht, ev, key);  
_somFree (ht);  
_somFree (key);
```

## Original Class

somf\_THashTable

## Related Information

None.

---

## somfSetGrowthRate Method

### Purpose

Sets the growth rate of a hash table.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
void somfSetGrowthRate(  
    in long rate);
```

### Parameters

- receiver**     A pointer to an object of class somf\_THashTable.
- ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
- rate**           The growth rate, expressed as the number of pairs by which to expand the table size when it grows.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
somf_THashTable ht;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
ht = somf_THashTableNew();  
_somfSetGrowthRate(ht, ev, 20);  
_somFree (ht);
```

### Original Class

somf\_THashTable

### Related Information

somfGetGrowthRate

---

## somfSetHashFunction Method

### Purpose

Sets a hash table's hash function to a given function. By default, this pointer is set to somf\_MCollectible's somfHash method (which is usually overridden in the objects that are added to the hash table). Normally, a client program does not invoke this method.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. Thus, if a child of somf\_THashTable is used with a child of somf\_TDictionary or somf\_TSet, then the name of the method will have to be fully qualified (example: somf\_THashTable\_somfSetHashFunction). This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
d->somfSetHashFunction(ev, fn);
```

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
void somfSetHashFunction(  
    in somf_MCollectibleHashFn fn);
```

### Parameters

- receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_THashTable.
- ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
- fn** A method pointer specifying a somfHash type method.

This argument should always be set to  
somf\_MCollectibleClassData.somfHash

because SOM needs a pointer to the original declaration of the method, which resides in somf\_MCollectible. The somf\_THashTable object will use this pointer to access the somfHash Method that was declared and defined in the inserted or removed object.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

## Example

```
somf_THashTable ht;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
ht = somf_THashTableNew();  
somf_THashTable_somfSetHashFunction(ht, ev,  
                                     somf_MCollectibleClassData.somfHash);  
_somFree (ht);
```

## Original Class

somf\_THashTable

## Related Information

somfGetHashFunction

---

## somfSetRehashThreshold Method

### Purpose

Sets the rehash threshold of a hash table.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
void somfSetRehashThreshold(  
    in long threshold);
```

### Parameters

- receiver** A pointer to an object of class `somf_THashTable`.
- ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
- threshold** The rehash threshold, expressed as the percentage of how full the hash table may become before it grows in size. For example: 80 means 80%.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
somf_THashTable ht;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
ht = somf_THashTableNew();  
_somfSetRehashThreshold(ht, ev, 80);  
_somFree (ht);
```

### Original Class

`somf_THashTable`

### Related Information

`somfGetRehashThreshold`

---

## somfTHashTableInitFL Method

### Purpose

Initializes a new hash table, given its comparison test method and its initial table size.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
somf_THashTable somfTHashTableInitFL(  
    in somf_MCollectibleCompareFn  
    testfn,  
    in long tablesize);
```

### Parameters

- receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_THashTable.
- ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
- testfn** A method pointer specifying either a somflsEqual or a somflsSame method. This method is used to compare two keys in the hash table. This argument should always be set to either somf\_MCollectibleClassData.somflsSame or somf\_MCollectibleClassData.somflsEqual. because SOM needs a pointer to the original declaration of the method, which resides in somf\_MCollectible. The somf\_THashTable object will use this pointer to access the somflsSame Method or somflsEqual Method that was declared and defined in the inserted or removed object.
- tablesiz** The initial size of the hash table, expressed as the number of pairs that are expected.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to an initialized somf\_THashTable object.

### Example

```
somf_THashTable h3;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
h3 = somf_THashTableNew();  
_somfTHashTableInitFL(h3, ev,  
    somf_MCollectibleClassData.somflsEqual, 23);  
_somFree (h3);
```

## Original Class

`somf_THashTable`

## Related Information

`somfTHashTableInitFLLL`

`somfTHashTableInitFLL`

`somfTHashTableInitH`



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## somfTHashTableInitFLL Method

### Purpose

Initializes a new hash table, given its comparison test method, its initial table size, and its initial growth rate.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
somf_THashTable  
somfTHashTableInitFLL(  
    in somf_MCollectibleCompareFn  
    testfn,  
    in long tablesize,  
    in long rate);
```

### Parameters

- receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_THashTable.
- ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
- testfn** A method pointer specifying either a somflsEqual or a somflsSame method. This method is used to compare two keys in the hash table. This argument should always be set to either somf\_MCollectibleClassData.somflsSame or somf\_MCollectibleClassData.somflsEqual. because SOM needs a pointer to the original declaration of the method, which resides in somf\_MCollectible. The somf\_THashTable object will use this pointer to access the somflsSame Method or somflsEqual Method that was declared and defined in the object being inserted into, or removed from, the somf\_THashTable object.
- tablesize** The initial size of the hash table, expressed as the number of pairs that are expected.
- rate** The growth rate, expressed as the number of pairs by which to expand the table size when it grows.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to an initialized somf\_THashTable object.

## Example

```
somf_THashTable h2;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
h2 = somf_THashTableNew();  
_somfTHashTableInitFLL(h2, ev,  
    somf_MCollectibleClassData.somfIsEqual, 23, 20);  
_somFree (h2);
```

## Original Class

somf\_THashTable

## Related Information

somfTHashTableInitFLLL  
somfTHashTableInitFL  
somfTHashTableInitH

---

## somfTHashTableInitFLLL Method

### Purpose

Initializes a new hash table, given its comparison test method, its initial table size, its initial growth rate, and its rehash threshold.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
somf_THashTable  
somfTHashTableInitFLLL(  
    in somf_MCollectibleCompareFn  
    testfn,  
    in long tablesize,  
    in long rate,  
    in long threshold);
```

### Parameters

- receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_THashTable.
- ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
- testfn** A method pointer specifying either a somflsEqual or a somflsSame method. This method is used to compare two keys in the hash table. This argument should always be set to either somf\_MCollectibleClassData.somflsSame or somf\_MCollectibleClassData.somflsEqual. This specification is necessary because SOM needs a pointer to the original declaration of the method, which resides in somf\_MCollectible. The somf\_THashTable object will use this pointer to access the somflsSame Method or somflsEqual Method that was declared and defined in the object being inserted into, or removed from, the somf\_THashTable object.
- tablesize** The initial size of the hash table, expressed as the number of pairs that are expected.
- rate** The growth rate, expressed as the number of pairs by which to expand the table size when it grows.
- threshold** The rehash threshold, expressed as the percentage of how full the hash table may become before it grows in size.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

## Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to an initialized `somf_THashTable` object.

## Example

```
somf_THashTable h1;
Environment *ev;
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();
h1 = somf_THashTableNew();
_somfTHashTableInitFLLL(h1, ev,
    somf_MCollectibleClassData.somfIsEqual, 23, 20, 80);
_somFree (h1);
```

## Original Class

`somf_THashTable`

## Related Information

- `somfTHashTableInitFLL`
- `somfTHashTableInitFL`
- `somfTHashTableInitH`

---

## somfTHashTableInitH Method

### Purpose

Initializes a new hash table, setting it equal to another specified hash table. The method also sets the new hash table equal to another specified hash table. This implies that the instance data of the new hash table will be set equal to those of the source hash table.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
somf_THashTable  
somfTHashTableInitH(  
    in somf_THashTable h);
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class somf\_THashTable.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**h**              A pointer to the hash table the receiving object will be equal to.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to an initialized somf\_THashTable object.

### Example

```
somf_THashTable h4;  
somf_THashTable h2;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
h2 = somf_THashTableNew();  
h4 = somf_THashTableNew();  
_somfTHashTableInitH(h4, ev, h2);  
_somFree (h2);  
_somFree (h4);
```

### Original Class

somf\_THashTable

## Related Information

somfTHashTableInitFLLL  
somfTHashTableInitFLL  
somfTHashTableInitFL

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## Chapter 13. somf\_THashTableIterator Class

The somf\_THashTableIterator class defines an iterator for the somf\_THashTable Class that will iterate over all of the objects in a hash table.

- Do not be misled by the interface of methods in this class. Recall that each entry in a somf\_THashTable is actually an object of the somf\_TAssoc Class that holds a (key, value) pair. Thus, the somfFirst and somfNext methods in the somf\_THashTableIterator class actually return somf\_TAssoc objects, not simply objects of the somf\_MCollectible Class. You must handle the return values as if they were somf\_TAssoc's.

Although the methods in this class are reentrant, the class is not thread-safe on multi-thread applications. If a pointer to an instance of this class is to be passed to multiple threads, the code in those threads must guarantee thread-safe usage of the class.

### Member Name:

thashitr

### Import Name:

GOSSOMUC

### Base Class:

somf\_TIterator Class

### Metaclass:

SOMClass

### Ancestor Classes:

somf\_TIterator Class  
SOMObject

### Subclasses:

None.

### Types:

None.

### Attributes:

None.

### New Methods:

somfTHashTableIteratorInit

### Overriding Methods:

somDefaultInit  
somDestruct  
somfFirst  
somfNext  
somfRemove



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## somfFirst Method

### Purpose

Resets the iterator and returns the first (key, value) pair of a hash table. This is true not only for the first time you use the iterator; it is also true if other operations on the hash table cause the iterator to be invalidated. In the second case, the method also revalidates the iterator.

Do not be misled by this method's interface, which is inherited from the `somf_TIterator` Class. The only objects returned with `somfFirst` are (key, value) pairs of the `somf_TAssoc` Class. You cannot use the return value as a generic `somf_MCollectible` object.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. `somfFirst` is a method name declared in multiple parents. You will probably have to fully qualify the method name. This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
itr->somfFirst(ev);
```

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfFirst ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_THashTableIterator`.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to the first `somf_MCollectible` in the hash table. Or, `SOMF_NIL` is returned if the collection is empty.

### Example

```

sopf_THashTable ht;
Environment *ev;
sopf_THashTableIterator itr;
sopf_TAssoc itrobj;
sopf_MCollectible objk;
sopf_MCollectible objv;
ev = somf_GetGlobalEnvironment();
ht = somf_THashTableNew();
itr = somf_THashTableIteratorNew();
_sopf_THashTableIteratorInit(itr, ev, ht);
/* Add some object to d */
/* Iterate through the THashTable */
itrobj = somf_THashTableIterator_sopf_First(itr, ev);
while (itrobj != SOMF_NIL)
{
    objk = _sopf_GetKey(itrobj, ev);
    objv = _sopf_GetValue(itrobj, ev);
    /* Do something with objk or objv */
    itrobj = _sopf_Next(itr, ev);
}
_sopf_Free (ht);
_sopf_Free (itr);

```

## Original Class

sopf\_TIterator

## Related Information

sopf\_Next

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## somfNext Method

### Purpose

Gets the next (key, value) pair from the hash table of a given hash-table iterator. The method returns a pointer to the next (key, value) pair, if found. Objects are retrieved in an order that reflects the "ordered-ness" of the hash table.

Do not be misled by this method's interface, which is inherited from the `somf_TIterator` Class. The only objects returned with `somfNext` are (key, value) pairs of the `somf_TAssoc` class. You cannot use the return value as a generic `somf_MCollectible` object.

If the `somf_THashTable` Class has changed (other than through the use of the `somfRemove` method of this iterator) since the last time the `somfFirst` method was called, the iterator becomes invalid and will fail if asked to find the next object. If `somfAdd` were called after starting to iterate through the hash table, the iterator then would not allow iteration to continue. The iterator must be reset, and the easiest way to do that is to call the iterator's `somfFirst` method and start over.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. If any child of `somf_TIterator` is used with a child of `somf_TPrimitiveLinkedListIterator`, then the name of the method will have to be fully qualified. This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
itr->somfNext(ev);
```

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfNext ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class `somf_THashTableIterator`.  
**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MCollectible** A pointer to the next `somf_MCollectible` object in the collection.  
**SOMF\_NIL** The end of the collection has been reached.

## Example

```
somf_THashTable ht;
Environment *ev;
somf_THashTableIterator itr;
somf_TAssoc itrobj;
somf_MCollectible objk;
somf_MCollectible objv;
ev = somf_GetGlobalEnvironment();
ht = somf_THashTableNew();
itr = somf_THashTableIteratorNew();
_somfTHashTableIteratorInit(itr, ev, ht);
/* Add some object to d */
/* Iterate through the THashTable */
itrobj = somf_THashTableIterator_somfFirst(itr, ev);
while (itrobj != SOMF_NIL)
{
    objk = _somfGetKey(itrobj, ev);
    objv = _somfGetValue(itrobj, ev);
    /* Do something with objk or objv */
    itrobj = _somfNext(itr, ev);
}
_somfFree (ht);
_somfFree (itr);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TIterator

## Related Information

somfFirst

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## somfRemove Method

### Purpose

Removes the current (key, value) pair (the one just returned by somfFirst or somfNext) from the hash table.

The somfRemove method is the only way to remove a (key, value) object from a hash table during iteration. However, if multiple iterators are in process, all the other iterators are invalidated, just as if some other kind of change had occurred in the hash table. If the hash table has changed since the last time somfFirst was called (other than through the use of the somfRemove method of this iterator), this method will fail.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. somfRemove is a method name declared in multiple parents. You will probably have to fully qualify the method name. This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
itr->somfRemove(ev);
```

### Syntax

```
void somfRemove ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class somf\_THashTableIterator.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
somf_THashTable ht;
Environment *ev;
somf_THashTableIterator itr;
somf_MCollectible itrobj;
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();
ht = somf_THashTableNew();
itr = somf_THashTableIteratorNew();
_somfTHashTableIteratorInit(itr, ev, ht);
/* Add some objects to ht */
/* Use the Iterator's Remove to remove the first object */
itrobj = somf_THashTableIterator_somfFirst(itr, ev);
somf_THashTableIterator_somfRemove(itr, ev);
_somFree (ht);
_somFree (itr);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TIterator

## Related Information

None.

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## somfTHashTableIteratorInit Method

### Purpose

Initializes a somf\_THashTableIterator iterator, given its corresponding hash table.

This is the only way to initialize a somf\_THashTableIterator iterator to point to an instance of a somf\_THashTable object.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

```
somf_THashTableIterator  
somfTHashTableIteratorInit(  
    in somf_THashTable h);
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_THashTableIterator.  
**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**h** A pointer to the hash table the receiving object will iterate over.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to an initialized somf\_THashTableIterator object.

### Example

```
somf_THashTable ht;  
Environment *ev;  
somf_THashTableIterator itr;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
ht = somf_THashTableNew();  
itr = somf_THashTableIteratorNew();  
_somfTHashTableIteratorInit(itr, ev, ht);  
_somFree (ht);  
_somFree (itr);
```

### Original Class

somf\_THashTableIterator

### Related Information

None.





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## Chapter 14. somf\_TIterator Class

Each of the main collection classes has a corresponding iterator class. An iterator for a particular collection object (data structure) will iterate over all of the objects contained therein. The somf\_TIterator class is the abstract base class for all iterator classes, defining the generic methods used for iteration.

If you create classes that inherit from the somf\_TIterator class, the new classes must override the methods somfFirst and somfNext.

When creating an iterator for an unordered collection, your classes should inherit from somf\_TIterator. (When creating an iterator for an ordered collection, your classes should inherit from somf\_TSequenceIterator Class). The somf\_TIterator class provides the pure virtual functions that constitute the framework for the methods that should be available in an iterator for an unordered collection.

### Member Name:

titeratr

### Import Name:

GOSSOMUC

### Base Class:

SOMObject

### Metaclass:

SOMClass

### Ancestor Classes:

SOMObject

### Subclasses:

None.

### Types:

None.

### Attributes:

None.

### New Methods:

somfNext  
somfFirst  
somfRemove

### Overriding Methods:

None.

---

## somfFirst Method

### Purpose

Resets the iterator and returns the first object of a collection. This is true not only for the first time you use the iterator; it is also true if other operations on the collection cause the iterator to be invalidated. In the second case, the method also revalidates the iterator.

Every class that inherits from this class must override this method for the class to work correctly.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. `somfFirst` is a method name declared in multiple parents (example: `somf_TSequence`, `somf_TIterator`, etc.). You will probably have to fully qualify the method name (example: `somf_TDictionaryIterator_somfFirst`). This is the only way the linker can tell them apart.

This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
itr->somfFirst(ev);
```

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfFirst ();
```

### Parameters

- receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_TIterator`.
- ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

You cannot use this method directly from this class; it must be overridden. If you invoke this method directly, an error message is written and processing will end.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to the first `somf_MCollectible` object in the collection.

### Example

For examples of how this method looks when it is invoked, see `somf_TSetIterator` Class or `somf_TDictionaryIterator` Class, or any of the other classes that inherit from `somf_TIterator`.

## Original Class

somf\_TIterator

## Related Information

somfNext

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## somfNext Method

### Purpose

Gets the next object in a collection. Objects are retrieved in an order that reflects the "ordered-ness" of the collection (or the lack of ordering on the collection objects).

Every class that inherits from this class must override this method for the class to work correctly.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. Thus, if any child of `somf_TIterator` is used with a child of `somf_TPrimitiveLinkedListIterator`, then the name of the method will have to be fully qualified (example: `somf_TDictionaryIterator_somfNext`). This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
itr->somfNext(ev);
```

If the collection has changed since the last time `somfFirst Method` was called (other than through the use of the `somfRemove Method` of this iterator), this method will fail.

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfNext ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class `somf_TIterator`.

**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

You cannot use this method directly from this class; it must be overridden. If you invoke this method directly, an error message is written and processing will end.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MCollectible**

A pointer to the next `somf_MCollectible` object in the collection.

**SOMF\_NIL** The end of the collection has been reached.

### Example

For examples of how this method looks when it is invoked, see `somf_TSetIterator Class` or `somf_TDictionaryIterator Class`, or any of the other classes that inherit from `somf_TIterator`.

## Original Class

somf\_Tliterator

## Related Information

somfFirst

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## somfRemove Method

### Purpose

Removes the current object (the one just returned by `somfFirst` or `somfNext`) from a collection.

Every class that inherits from this class must override this method for the class to work correctly.

This method is the only way to remove an object from a collection during iteration. However, if multiple iterators are in process, all other iterators are invalidated, just as if some other kind of change had occurred in the collection.

If the collection has changed since the last time `somfFirst` was called (other than through the use of the `somfRemove` method of this iterator), this method will fail.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. `somfRemove` is a method name declared in multiple parents (example: `somf_TCollection`, `somf_THashTable`, `somf_TIterator`, etc.) You will probably have to fully qualify the method name. This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
itr->somfRemove(ev);
```

### Syntax

```
void somfRemove ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_TIterator`.

**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

You cannot use this method directly from this class; it must be overridden. If you invoke this method directly, an error message is written and processing will end.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

For examples of how this method looks when it is invoked, see `somf_TSetIterator` Class or `yliterator` Class, or any of the other classes that inherit from `somf_TIterator`.

## Original Class

somf\_Tliterator

## Related Information

None.



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## Chapter 15. somf\_TPrimitiveLinkedList Class

This class describes a primitive linked list; a sequence of zero or more items, each linked to the item in front and to the item behind it.

Objects that are inserted into a collection object of the somf\_TPrimitiveLinkedList class

**Note:** The somf\_TPrimitiveLinkedList class uses the left and right pointers of the somf\_MLinkable characteristics to link together the objects in a list. This means no object can appear in the list more than once, since it only has one set of pointers to indicate its position in the somf\_TPrimitiveLinkedList. If you insert an object more than once, the behavior is undefined, and could result in an infinite loop. If you need to insert an object more than once, you should consider using a somf\_TDeque collection instead. For the same reasons, an item cannot appear in two different linked lists, because the same undefined behavior would result.

Although the methods in this class are reentrant, the class is not thread-safe on multi-thread applications. If a pointer to an instance of this class will be passed to multiple threads, the code in those threads must guarantee thread-safe usage of the class.

### Member Name:

tpll

### Import Name:

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### Base Class:

SOMObject

### Metaclass:

SOMClass

### Ancestor Classes:

SOMObject

### Subclasses:

None.

### Types:

None.

### Attributes:

None.

### New Methods:

somfCount  
somfRemove  
somfRemoveAll  
somfRemoveFirst  
somfLast  
somfAddBefore  
somfAddAfter  
somfAddFirst  
somfAddLast  
somfAfter  
somfBefore  
somfFirst  
somfLast

**Overriding Methods:**

somDefaultInit  
somDestruct

---

## somfAddAfter Method

### Purpose

Adds an object into a list after a given existing object.

### Syntax

```
void somfAddAfter(
    in somf_MLinkable existing,
    in somf_MLinkable obj);
```

### Parameters

- receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TPrimitiveLinkedList.
- ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
- existing** A pointer to the somf\_MLinkable object that obj will be added in front of.
- obj** A pointer to the somf\_MLinkable object that will be added.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
somf_TPrimitiveLinkedList l;
<Your Class which inherits from MLinkable> obj;
<Your Class which inherits from MLinkable> obj2;
Environment *ev;
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();
l = somf_TPrimitiveLinkedListNew();
obj = <Your Class which inherits from MLinkable>New();
obj2 = <Your Class which inherits from MLinkable>New();
/* Add obj2 to l after obj */
_somfAddFirst(l, ev, obj);
_somfAddAfter(l, ev, obj, obj2);
_somFree (l);
_somFree (obj);
_somFree (obj2);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TPrimitiveLinkedList

## Related Information

somfAddBefore  
somfAddFirst  
somfAddLast

---

## somfAddBefore Method

### Purpose

The somfAddBefore method adds the object obj into the specified list before the designated existing object.

### Syntax

```
void somfAddBefore(  
    in somf_MLinkable existing,  
    in somf_MLinkable obj);
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TPrimitiveLinkedList.  
**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**existing** pointer to the somf\_MLinkable object that obj will be added in front of.  
**obj** A pointer to the somf\_MLinkable object that will be added.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
somf_TPrimitiveLinkedList l;  
<Your Class which inherits from MLinkable> obj;  
<Your Class which inherits from MLinkable> obj2;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
l = somf_TPrimitiveLinkedListNew();  
obj = <Your Class which inherits from MLinkable>New();  
obj2 = <Your Class which inherits from MLinkable>New();  
/* Add obj2 to l before obj */  
_somfAddFirst(l, ev, obj);  
_somfAddBefore(l, ev, obj, obj2);  
_somFree (l);  
_somFree (obj);  
_somFree (obj2);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TPrimitiveLinkedList

## Related Information

somfAddAfter  
somfAddFirst  
somfAddLast

---

## somfAddFirst Method

### Purpose

Adds an object as the first object in a list.

### Syntax

```
void somfAddFirst(  
    in somf_MLinkable obj);
```

### Parameters

**receiver**    A pointer to an object of class somf\_TPrimitiveLinkedList.  
**ev**            A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**obj**            A pointer to the somf\_MLinkable that will be added.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
somf_TPrimitiveLinkedList l;  
<Your Class which inherits from MLinkable> obj;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
l = somf_TPrimitiveLinkedListNew();  
obj = <Your Class which inherits from MLinkable>New();  
/* Add obj to the front of l */  
_somfAddFirst(l, ev, obj);  
_somFree (l);  
_somFree (obj);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TPrimitiveLinkedList

### Related Information

somfAddAfter  
somfAddBefore  
somfAddLast

---

## somfAddLast Method

### Purpose

Adds an object as the last object in a given list.

### Syntax

```
void somfAddLast(  
    in somf_MLinkable obj);
```

### Parameters

**receiver**    A pointer to an object of class somf\_TPrimitiveLinkedList.  
**ev**            A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**obj**            A pointer to the somf\_MLinkable that will be added.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
somf_TPrimitiveLinkedList l;  
<Your Class which inherits from MLinkable> obj;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
l = somf_TPrimitiveLinkedListNew();  
obj = <Your Class which inherits from MLinkable>New();  
/* Add obj to the end of l */  
_somfAddLast(l, ev, obj);  
_somFree (l);  
_somFree (obj);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TPrimitiveLinkedList

### Related Information

somfAddAfter  
somfAddBefore  
somfAddFirst



---

## somfAfter Method

### Purpose

Gets the object that comes after a given existing object in a list.

### Syntax

```
somf_MLinkable somfAfter(  
    in somf_MLinkable existingobj);
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TPrimitiveLinkedList.  
**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**existingobj** A pointer to the somf\_MLinkable that is in front of the returned *obj*.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MLinkable** A pointer to the somf\_MLinkable object after the *existingobj* object.  
**SOMF\_NIL** Nothing is after *existingobj*.

### Example

```
somf_TPrimitiveLinkedList l;  
<Your Class which inherits from MLinkable> obj;  
somf_MLinkable obj2;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
l = somf_TPrimitiveLinkedListNew();  
obj = <Your Class which inherits from MLinkable>New();  
/* Add a lot of objects to l */  
/* Determine the object in l after obj */  
obj2 = _somfAfter(l, ev, obj);  
_somFree (l);  
_somFree (obj);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TPrimitiveLinkedList

## Related Information

somfBefore

---

## somfBefore Method

### Purpose

Returns the object that comes before a given existing object in a list.

### Syntax

```
somf_MLinkable somfBefore(  
    in somf_MLinkable existingobj);
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TPrimitiveLinkedList.  
**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**existingobj** A pointer to the somf\_MLinkable object that comes after the returned *obj*.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MLinkable** A pointer to the somf\_MLinkable object before the *existingobj* object.  
**SOMF\_NIL** Nothing is before the *existingobj*.

### Example

```
somf_TPrimitiveLinkedList l;  
<Your Class which inherits from MLinkable> obj;  
somf_MLinkable obj2;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
l = somf_TPrimitiveLinkedListNew();  
obj = <Your Class which inherits from MLinkable>New();  
/* Add a lot of objects to l */  
/* Determine the object in l before obj */  
obj2 = _somfBefore(l, ev, obj);  
_somFree (l);  
_somFree (obj);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TPrimitiveLinkedList

## Related Information

somfAfter

---

## somfCount Method

### Purpose

Gets the number of objects in a given list.

### Syntax

```
unsigned long somfCount ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class somf\_TPrimitiveLinkedList.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns the number of objects in the specified list.

### Example

```
somf_TPrimitiveLinkedList l;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
l = somf_TPrimitiveLinkedListNew();  
/* Add some objects to l */  
/* Print the number of objects in ht */  
somPrintf("\n Count of l= d\n",  
          somf_TPrimitiveLinkedList_somfCount(l,ev));  
_somFree (l);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TPrimitiveLinkedList

### Related Information

None.

---

## somfFirst Method

### Purpose

Gets the first object in a given list.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. `somfFirst` is a method name declared in multiple parents (for example: `somf_TSequence`, `somf_TIterator`, etc.). You will probably have to fully qualify the method name (for example: `somf_TPrimitiveLinkedList_somfFirst`). This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
p11->somfFirst(ev);
```

### Syntax

```
somf_MLinkable somfFirst ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_TPrimitiveLinkedList`.  
**ev**            A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MLinkable**     A pointer to the first `somf_MLinkable` object in the list.  
**SOMF\_NIL**     Nothing is in the list.

### Example

```
somf_TPrimitiveLinkedList l;  
somf_MLinkable obj;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
l = somf_TPrimitiveLinkedListNew();  
/* Add a lot of objects to l */  
/* Determine the first object in l */  
obj = somf_TPrimitiveLinkedList_somfFirst(l,ev);  
_somFree (l);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TPrimitiveLinkedList

## Related Information

somfLast

---

## somfLast Method

### Purpose

Gets the last object in a given list.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. `somfLast` is a method name declared in multiple parents (for example: `somf_TSequenceliterator`, `somf_TSequence`). You will probably have to fully qualify the name of the method. This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
p11->somfLast(ev);
```

### Syntax

```
somf_MLinkable somfLast ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_TPrimitiveLinkedList`.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MLinkable**     A pointer to the last `somf_MLinkable` object in the list.  
**SOMF\_NIL**     Nothing is in the list.

### Example

```
somf_TPrimitiveLinkedList l;  
somf_MLinkable obj;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
l = somf_TPrimitiveLinkedListNew();  
/* Add a lot of objects to l */  
/* Determine the last object in l */  
obj = somf_TPrimitiveLinkedList_somfLast(l, ev);  
_somFree (l);
```



## Original Class

somf\_TPrimitiveLinkedList

## Related Information

somfFirst

---

## somfRemove Method

### Purpose

Removes a somf\_MLinkable object from a given list.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. somfRemove is a method name declared in multiple parents. You will probably have to fully qualify the name of the method. This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
p11->somfRemove(ev, obj);
```

### Syntax

```
void somfRemove(  
    in somf_MLinkable aLink);
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class somf\_TPrimitiveLinkedList.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**aLink**          A pointer to the somf\_MLinkable object to be removed.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
somf_TPrimitiveLinkedList l;  
<Your Class which inherits from MLinkable> obj;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
l = somf_TPrimitiveLinkedListNew();  
obj = <Your Class which inherits from MLinkable>New();  
/* Add a lot of objects to l */  
/* Remove obj from l */  
somf_TPrimitiveLinkedList_somfRemove(l, ev, obj);  
_somFree (l);  
_somFree (obj);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TPrimitiveLinkedList

## Related Information

somfRemoveAll  
somfRemoveFirst  
somfRemoveLast

---

## somfRemoveAll Method

### Purpose

Removes all of the objects from a given list.

### Syntax

```
void somfRemoveAll ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class somf\_TPrimitiveLinkedList.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
somf_TPrimitiveLinkedList l;  
<Your Class which inherits from MLinkable> obj;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
l = somf_TPrimitiveLinkedListNew();  
obj = <Your Class which inherits from MLinkable>New();  
/* Add a lot of objects to l */  
/* Remove all of the objects from l */  
somf_TPrimitiveLinkedList_somfRemoveAll(l,ev);  
_somFree (l);  
_somFree (obj);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TPrimitiveLinkedList

### Related Information

somfRemove  
somfRemoveFirst  
somfRemoveLast

---

## somfRemoveFirst Method

### Purpose

Removes the first object from a given list.

### Syntax

```
somf_MLinkable somfRemoveFirst ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TPrimitiveLinkedList.  
**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MLinkable** A pointer to the somf\_MLinkable object removed from the list.  
**SOMF\_NIL** Nothing is in the list.

### Example

```
somf_TPrimitiveLinkedList l;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
l = somf_TPrimitiveLinkedListNew();  
/* Add some objects to l */  
/* Remove the first object */  
if (_somfRemoveFirst(l, ev) == SOMF_NIL)  
    somPrintf(" The list is empty\n");  
_somFree (l);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TPrimitiveLinkedList

### Related Information

somfRemove  
somfRemoveAll  
somfRemoveLast

---

## somfRemoveLast Method

### Purpose

Removes the last object from a given list.

### Syntax

```
somf_MLinkable somfRemoveLast ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TPrimitiveLinkedList.  
**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MLinkable** A pointer to the somf\_MLinkable object removed from the list.  
**SOMF\_NIL** Nothing is in the list.

### Example

```
somf_TPrimitiveLinkedList l;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
l = somf_TPrimitiveLinkedListNew();  
/* Add some objects to l */  
/* Remove the last object */  
if (_somfRemoveLast(l, ev) == SOMF_NIL)  
    somPrintf(" The list is empty\n");  
_somFree (l);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TPrimitiveLinkedList

### Related Information

somfRemove  
somfRemoveAll  
somfRemoveFirst

---

## Chapter 16. somf\_TPprimitiveLinkedListIterator Class

This class defines an iterator for the somf\_TPprimitiveLinkedList Class that will iterate over all of the objects in a primitive linked list.

**Member Name:**

tpllitr

**Import Name:**

GOSSOMUC

**Base Class:**

SOMObject

**Metaclass:**

SOMClass

**Ancestor Classes:**

SOMObject

**Subclasses:**

None.

**Types:**

None.

**Attributes:**

None.

**New Methods:**

somfFirst  
somfNext  
somfLast  
somfPrevious  
somfTPprimitiveLinkedListIteratorInit

**Overriding Methods:**

somDestruct

---

## somfFirst Method

### Purpose

Resets the iterator and returns the first element of a given list. The `somf_TPrimitiveLinkedListIterator` class does not inherit from `somf_TIterator` Class. This method may look like the `somf_TIterator` method, but there is no connection.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. `somfFirst` is a method name declared in multiple parents. You will probably have to fully qualify the name of the method. This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
itr->somfFirst(ev);
```

### Syntax

```
somf_MLinkable somfFirst ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_TPrimitiveLinkedListIterator`.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MLinkable**     A pointer to the first `somf_MLinkable` object in the list.  
**SOMF\_NIL**     Nothing is in the list.

### Example



```

somf_TPrimitiveLinkedList l;
somf_MLinkable obj;
somf_TPrimitiveLinkedListIterator itr;
Environment *ev;
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();
l = somf_TPrimitiveLinkedListNew();
itr = somf_TPrimitiveLinkedListIteratorNew();
_somfTPrimitiveLinkedListIteratorInit(itr, ev, l);
/* Add a lot of objects to l */
/* Iterate through l */
obj = somf_TPrimitiveLinkedListIterator_somfFirst(itr, ev);
while (obj != SOMF_NIL)
{
    /* do something with obj */
    obj = _somfNext(itr, ev);
}
_somFree (l);
_somFree (itr);

```

## Original Class

somf\_TPrimitiveLinkedListIterator

## Related Information

somfNext

---

## somfLast Method

### Purpose

Retrieves the last object from a given list.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. `somfLast` is a method name declared in multiple parents. You will probably have to fully qualify the name of the method. This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
itr->somfLast(ev);
```

### Syntax

```
somf_MLinkable somfLast ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_TPrimitiveLinkedListIterator`.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MLinkable**     A pointer to the last `somf_MLinkable` object in the list.  
**SOMF\_NIL**     Nothing is in the list.

### Example

```
somf_TPrimitiveLinkedList l;  
somf_MLinkable obj;  
somf_TPrimitiveLinkedListIterator itr;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somf_GetGlobalEnvironment();  
l = somf_TPrimitiveLinkedListNew();  
itr = somf_TPrimitiveLinkedListIteratorNew();  
_somf_TPrimitiveLinkedListIteratorInit(itr, ev, l);  
/* Add a lot of objects to l */  
/* Find the last object in l */  
obj = somf_TPrimitiveLinkedList_somfLast(l, ev);  
_somfFree (l);  
_somfFree (itr);
```

## Original Class

`somf_TPrimitiveLinkedListIterator`

## Related Information

`somfPrevious`

---

## somfNext Method

### Purpose

Gets the next object in a list. The `somf_TPrimitiveLinkedListIterator` class does not inherit from `somf_TIterator` Class.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. If any child of `somf_TPrimitiveLinkedListIterator` is used with `somf_TIterator`, then the name of the method will have to be fully qualified. This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
itr->somfNext(ev);
```

### Syntax

```
somf_MLinkable somfNext ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class `somf_TPrimitiveLinkedListIterator`.  
**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MLinkable** A pointer to the next `somf_MLinkable` object in the list.  
**SOMF\_NIL** The end of the list has been reached.

### Example

```

somf_TPrimitiveLinkedList l;
somf_MLinkable obj;
somf_TPrimitiveLinkedListIterator itr;
Environment *ev;
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();
l = somf_TPrimitiveLinkedListNew();
itr = somf_TPrimitiveLinkedListIteratorNew();
_somfTPrimitiveLinkedListIteratorInit(itr, ev, l);
/* Add a lot of objects to l */
/* Iterate through l */
obj = somf_TPrimitiveLinkedListIterator_somfFirst(itr, ev);
while (obj != SOMF_NIL)
{
    /* do something with obj */
    obj = _somfNext(itr, ev);
}
_somfFree (l);
_somfFree (itr);

```

## Original Class

somf\_TPrimitiveLinkedListIterator

## Related Information

somfFirst

---

## somfPrevious Method

### Purpose

Gets the previous object from a given list.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. Thus, if any child of `somf_TPrimitiveLinkedListIterator` is used with `somf_TSequenceIterator`, then the name of the method will have to be fully qualified (for example: `somf_TPrimitiveLinkedListIterator_somfPrevious`). This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
itr->somfPrevious(ev);
```

### Syntax

```
somf_MLinkable somfPrevious ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_TPrimitiveLinkedListIterator`.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MLinkable**     A pointer to the `somf_MLinkable` object before the receiving object.  
**SOMF\_NIL**     The beginning of the list has been reached.

### Example

```
somf_TPrimitiveLinkedList l;  
somf_MLinkable obj;  
somf_TPrimitiveLinkedListIterator itr;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
l = somf_TPrimitiveLinkedListNew();  
itr = somf_TPrimitiveLinkedListIteratorNew();  
_somfTPrimitiveLinkedListIteratorInit(itr, ev, l);  
/* Add a lot of objects to l */  
/* Find the next to the last object in l */  
somf_TPrimitiveLinkedList_somfLast(l, ev);  
obj = _somfPrevious(next, ev);  
_somFree (l);  
_somFree (itr);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TPrimitiveLinkedListIterator

## Related Information

somfLast

---

## somfTPrimitiveLinkedListIteratorInit Method

### Purpose

Initializes a somf\_TPrimitiveLinkedListIterator object, establishing it as the iterator for a given somf\_TPrimitiveLinkedList Class linked list.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
somf_TPrimitiveLinkedListIterator  
somfTPrimitiveLinkedListIteratorInit(  
    in somf_TPrimitiveLinkedList  
    list);
```

### Parameters

- |                |  |
|----------------|--|
| <b>receive</b> | A pointer to an object of class somf_TPrimitiveLinkedListIterator.                         |
| <b>ev</b>      | A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.                             |
| <b>list</b>    | A pointer to the primitive linked list object that the receiving object will iterate over. |

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to an initialized somf\_TPrimitiveLinkedListIterator iterator.

### Example

```
somf_TPrimitiveLinkedList l;  
Environment *ev;  
somf_TPrimitiveLinkedListIterator itr;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
l = somf_TPrimitiveLinkedListNew();  
itr = somf_TPrimitiveLinkedListIteratorNew();  
_somfTPrimitiveLinkedListIteratorInit(itr, ev, l);  
_somFree (l);  
_somFree (itr);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TPrimitiveLinkedListIterator



## Related Information

None.



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## Chapter 17. `somf_TPriorityQueue` Class

The `somf_TPriorityQueue` class is a subclass of `somf_TCollection` that keeps the objects of a collection ordered based on some ordering function. Actually, the objects are partially ordered in storage, but the `somf_TPriorityQueue` methods adjust for the partially ordered state.

In *Algorithms in C++* Robert Sedgewick describes a *priority queue* as follows:

In many applications, records with keys must be processed in order, but not necessarily in full sorted order and not necessarily all at once. Often a set of records must be collected, then the largest processed, then perhaps more records collected, then the next largest processed. An appropriate data structure in such an environment is one that supports the operations of inserting a new element and deleting the largest element. Such a data structure, which can be contrasted with queues and stacks is called a priority queue.

**Note:** The `somf_TPriorityQueue` class uses the `somflsEqual: epk.` method as the default comparison function. (That is, if `key1="Bart"` and `key2="Bart"`, then `key1` and `key2` are equal.) If you do not want to use the `somflsEqual` method to equate entries, use the initialization methods to change to the `somlsSame` method.

Objects that are inserted into a `somf_TPriorityQueue` collection should override the methods `somflsEqual`, `somflsLessThan`, `somflsGreaterThan` and `somfHash`.

### Member Name:

`tpq`

### Import Name:

`GOSSOMUC`

### Base Class:

`somf_TCollection` Class

### Metaclass:

`SOMClass`

### Ancestor Classes:

`somf_TCollection`  
`somf_MCollectible`  
`SOMObject`

### Subclasses:

None.

### Types:

None.

**Attributes:**

None.

**New Methods:**

- somfInsert
- somfPeek
- somfPop
- somfReplace
- somfSetEqualityComparisonFunction
- somfGetEqualityComparisonFunction
- somfAssign
- somfTPriorityQueueInitF
- somfTPriorityQueueInitP

**Overriding Methods:**

- somDefaultInit
- somDestruct
- somfAdd
- somfRemove
- somfRemoveAll
- somfDeleteAll
- somfCount
- somfMember
- somfCreateIterator

---

## somfAdd Method

### Purpose

Adds a given *obj* to a priority queue.

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfAdd(  
    in somf_MCollectible obj);
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TPriorityQueue.  
**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**obj** A pointer to a somf\_MCollectible Class object that will be added to the receiving object.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to the somf\_MCollectible object added.

### Example

```
somf_TPriorityQueue pq;  
<Your Class which inherits from somf_MOrderableCollectible> obj;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
pq = somf_TPriorityQueueNew();  
obj = <Your Class which inherits from  
    somf_MOrderableCollectible>New();  
/* Add obj to pq */  
_somfAdd(pq, ev, obj);  
_somFree (pq);  
_somFree (obj);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TCollection (overridden here)

### Related Information

somfInsert

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## somfAssign Method

### Purpose

Assigns a priority-queue receiving object as being equal to a given source priority queue. That is, the method sets/resets the instance variables of the receiver to the values of the source. This operation is logically equivalent to using the equal (=) operator.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. Thus, if any child of `somf_TPriorityQueue` is used with any other main collection class, then the name of the method will have to be fully qualified (example: `somf_TPriorityQueue_somfAssign`). This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
d->somfAssign(ev, obj);
```

### Syntax

```
void somfAssign(  
    in somf_TPriorityQueue source);
```

### Parameters

<b>receiver</b>	A pointer to an object of class <code>somf_TPriorityQueue</code> .
<b>ev</b>	A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
<b>source</b>	A pointer to the <code>somf_TPriorityQueue</code> object the receiving object will be equal to.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
somf_TPriorityQueue pq1;  
somf_TPriorityQueue pq2;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
pq1 = somf_TPriorityQueueNew();  
pq2 = somf_TPriorityQueueNew();  
/* Add some objects to pq1 */  
/* Assign pq2 = pq1 */  
somf_TPriorityQueue_somfAssign(pq2, ev, pq1);  
_somFree (pq1);  
_somFree (pq2);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TPriorityQueue

## Related Information

None.

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## somfCount Method

### Purpose

Gets the number of objects in a given priority queue.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. Thus, if any child of somf\_TCollection is used with somf\_THashTable, then the name of the method will have to be fully qualified (example: somf\_TDictionary\_somfCount). This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
d->somfCount(ev);
```

### Syntax

```
long somfCount ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class somf\_TPriorityQueue.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns the number of objects in the receiving object.

### Example

```
somf_TPriorityQueue pq;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
pq = somf_TPriorityQueueNew();  
/* Add some objects to pq */  
/* Count the number of objects in pq */  
somPrintf("\n Count of pq= %d\n", _somfCount(pq,ev));  
_somFree (pq);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TCollection (overridden here)



## Related Information

None.

---

## somfCreateliterator Method

### Purpose

Returns a new iterator that is suitable for iterating over the objects in a given priority queue.

**Note:** This is one of two ways to initialize a `somf_TPriorityQueueeliterator` Class to point to an instance of the `somf_TPriorityQueue` class. The other way is to use the `somf_TPriorityQueueeliterator`'s initializer method.

### Syntax

```
somf_Tliterator somfCreateliterator ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_TPriorityQueue`.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to the new iterator.

### Example

```
somf_TPriorityQueue pq;  
Environment *ev;  
somf_TPriorityQueueIterator itr;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
pq = somf_TPriorityQueueNew();  
itr = (somf_TPriorityQueueIterator*)  
      _somfCreateIterator(pq, ev);  
_somFree (pq);  
_somFree (itr);
```

### Original Class

`somf_TCollection` (overridden here)

### Related Information

None.

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## somfDeleteAll Method

### Purpose

Removes all of the objects from a priority-queue receiving object and deallocates the storage that these objects might have owned. (That is, the destructor function is called for each object in the collection.) The method also deallocates the storage that these objects might have owned (that is, the destructor function is called for each object in the collection).

Be careful with `somfDeleteAll`. Since a collection only contains pointers to objects (rather than the objects themselves), `somfDeleteAll` can cause a problem if a pointer to an object appears more than once. For example, if multiple pointers to A exists, or if a single pointer to A is in the collection multiple times, the behavior of the code is undefined, because it will try to delete A multiple times. If you think there is a chance that an object could appear in the collection more than once, you should consider using `somfRemoveAll` Method to remove the objects from the collection and deleting them some other way.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. Thus, if any child of `somf_TCollection` is used with `somf_THashTable`, then the name of the method will have to be fully qualified (example: `somf_TDictionary_somfDeleteAll`). This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
d->somfDeleteAll (ev);
```

### Syntax

```
void somfDeleteAll ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_TPriorityQueue`.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
somf_TPriorityQueue pq;
Environment *ev;
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();
pq = somf_TPriorityQueueNew();
/* Add objects to pq */
/* Remove all the objects from pq AND DELETE THEM */
_somfDeleteAll(pq,ev);
_somFree (pq);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TCollection (overridden here)

## Related Information

None.

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## somfGetEqualityComparisonFunction Method

### Purpose

Gets the equality comparison function being used by the priority queue. The default equality compare function is the somf\_MCollectible Class class's somfIsEqual Method.

**Note:** Do not confuse this "equality compare function" with the somfCompare Method method. This input argument is not used to determine priority.

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectibleCompareFn  
somfGetEqualityComparisonFunction ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class somf\_TPriorityQueue.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to the equality compare function being used by this instance of the priority queue class.

### Example

```
somf_TPriorityQueue pq;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somfGetGlobalEnvironment();  
pq = somf_TPriorityQueueNew();  
/* Add some objects to pq */  
if (_somfGetEqualityComparisonFunction(pq, ev) !=  
    somf_MCollectibleClassData.somfIsEqual)  
{  
    somPrintf("\n What Compare Function are we using?\n");  
}  
_somFree (pq);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TPriorityQueue

## Related Information

`somfSetEqualityComparisonFunction`

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## somfInsert Method

### Purpose

Inserts an object *obj* into the priority queue. This method is just like the *somfAdd* method, except that it does not return a pointer to the *somf\_MCollectible* object added.

### Syntax

```
void somfInsert(  
    in somf_MOrderableCollectible  
    obj);
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class *somf\_TPriorityQueue*.

**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

**obj** A pointer to a *somf\_MOrderableCollectible* object that will be added to the receiving object.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
somf_TPriorityQueue pq;  
<Your Class which inherits from somf_MOrderableCollectible> obj;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
pq = somf_TPriorityQueueNew();  
obj = <Your Class which inherits from  
    somf_MOrderableCollectible>New();  
/* Add obj to pq */  
_somfInsert(pq, ev, obj);  
_somFree (pq);  
_somFree (obj);
```

### Original Class

*somf\_TPriorityQueue*

## Related Information

somfAdd



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## somfMember Method

### Purpose

Gets an object from a given priority queue.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. Thus, if any child of `somf_TCollection` is used with `somf_THashTable`, then the name of the method will have to be fully qualified (example: `somf_TDictionary_somfMember`). This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
d->somfMember(ev, obj);
```

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfMember(  
    in somf_MCollectible obj);
```

### Parameters

<b>receiver</b>	A pointer to an object of class <code>somf_TPriorityQueue</code> .
<b>ev</b>	A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
<b>obj</b>	A pointer to the <code>somf_MCollectible</code> that may or may not be a member of the collection.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

<b>somf_MCollectible</b>	A pointer to the object the method determined as the member.
<b>SOMF_NIL</b>	The object was not found.

### Example

```
somf_TPriorityQueue pq;
<Your Class which inherits from somf_MOrderableCollectible> obj;
Environment *ev;
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();
pq = somf_TPriorityQueueNew();
obj = <Your Class which inherits from
    somf_MOrderableCollectible>New();
/* Add some objects to pq */
/* See if obj is in pq */
if (somf_TPriorityQueue_somfMember(pq, ev, obj) == SOMF_NIL)
    somPrintf("\n obj is NOT in d\n");
else
    somPrintf("\n obj IS in d\n");
_somFree (pq);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TCollection (overridden here)

## Related Information

None.

---

## somfPeek Method

### Purpose

Determines the object with the "highest" priority in the priority queue, but does not remove it.

### Syntax

```
somf_MOrderableCollectible  
somfPeek ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TPriorityQueue.  
**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MOrderableCollectible** A pointer to the object with the "highest" priority in the priority queue.  
**SOMF\_NIL** No object remains in the priority queue.

### Example

```
somf_TPriorityQueue pq;  
somf_MOrderableCollectible obj;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
pq = somf_TPriorityQueueNew();  
/* Add some objects to pq */  
/* Look at the highest priority object */  
if ((obj = (_somfPeek(pq, ev))) == SOMF_NIL)  
    somPrintf(" Nothing is in pq\n");  
_somFree (pq);  
_somFree (obj);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TPriorityQueue

### Related Information

somfPop

---

## somfPop Method

### Purpose

Gets the object with the "highest" priority from a given priority queue.

### Syntax

```
somf_MOrderableCollectible  
somfPop ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class somf\_TPriorityQueue.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MOrderableCollectible**  
A pointer to the highest-priority object that was removed from the priority queue.  
**SOMF\_NIL**     No object remains in the priority queue.

### Example

```
somf_TPriorityQueue pq;  
somf_MOrderableCollectible obj;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
pq = somf_TPriorityQueueNew();  
/* Add some objects to pq */  
/* Get the highest priority object */  
if ((obj = (_somfPop(pq,ev))) == SOMF_NIL)  
    somPrintf(" Nothing is in pq\n");  
_somFree (pq);  
_somFree (obj);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TPriorityQueue

### Related Information

somfPeek  
somfReplace

---

## somfRemove Method

### Purpose

Removes an object *obj* from a given priority queue.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. `somfRemove` is a method name declared in multiple parents. You will probably have to fully qualify the name of the method. This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
d->somfRemove(ev, obj);
```

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfRemove(  
    in somf_MCollectible obj);
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class `somf_TPriorityQueue`.

**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

**obj** A pointer to the `somf_MCollectible` object to be removed from the priority queue.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MCollectible** A pointer to the object that was actually removed.

**SOMF\_NIL** The specified object was not found.

### Example

```
somf_TPriorityQueue pq;  
<Your Class which inherits from somf_MOrderableCollectible> obj;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
pq = somf_TPriorityQueueNew();  
obj = <Your Class that inherits from  
    somf_MOrderableCollectible>New();  
/* Add objects to pq */  
/* Remove obj from pq */  
if (somf_TPriorityQueue_somfRemove(pq, ev, obj) == SOMF_NIL)  
    somPrintf(" obj was not in pq\n");  
_somFree (pq);  
_somFree (obj);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TCollection (overridden here)

## Related Information

somfRemoveAll

---

## somfRemoveAll Method

### Purpose

Removes all of the objects from a given priority queue.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. Thus, if any child of somf\_TCollection is used with somf\_THashTable, then the name of the method will have to be fully qualified (example: somf\_TPriorityQueue\_somfRemoveAll). This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
d->somfRemoveAll(ev);
```

### Syntax

```
void somfRemoveAll ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class somf\_TPriorityQueue.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
somf_TPriorityQueue pq;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
pq = somf_TPriorityQueueNew();  
/* Add objects to pq */  
/* Remove all the objects from pq */  
_somfRemoveAll(pq, ev);  
_somFree (pq);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TCollection (overridden here)

## Related Information

`somfRemove`



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## somfReplace Method

### Purpose

Removes the object with the highest priority from a given priority queue, and then inserts an object *obj* into the priority queue. It then inserts the given object *obj* into the priority queue.

### Syntax

```
somf_MOrderableCollectible  
somfReplace(  
    in somf_MOrderableCollectible  
    obj);
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TPriorityQueue.  
**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**obj** A pointer to a somf\_MOrderableCollectible that will be added to the receiving object.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MOrderableCollectible** A pointer to the object with the "highest" priority that was removed from the priority queue.  
**SOMF\_NIL** No object remained in the priority queue when the object *obj* was inserted.

### Example

```
somf_TPriorityQueue pq;  
<Your Class which inherits from somf_MOrderableCollectible> obj;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
pq = somf_TPriorityQueueNew();  
obj = <Your Class which inherits from  
    somf_MOrderableCollectible>New();  
/* Add objects to pq */  
if ((somfReplace(pq, ev, obj)) == SOMF_NIL)  
    somPrintf(" pq was empty\n");  
_somFree (pq);  
_somFree (obj);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TPriorityQueue

## Related Information

somfPop  
somfInsert

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## somfSetEqualityComparisonFunction Method

### Purpose

Sets a method to be called as the equality comparison function when removing objects from the queue, checking whether a given object is a member, and so on. The default method is `somflsEqual`. Normally, this default function will not need to be changed.

**Note:** Do not confuse this "equality comparison function" with the `somfCompare` Method in `somf_MOrderableCollectible` Class. This input parameter is not used to determine priority.

### Syntax

```
void  
somfSetEqualityComparisonFunction(  
    in somf_MCollectibleCompareFn  
    testfn);
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class `somf_TPriorityQueue`.

**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

**testfn** A method pointer specifying either a `somflsEqual` Method or `somflsSame` Method.

This argument should always be set to either `somf_MCollectibleClassData.somflsSame` or `somf_MCollectibleClassData.somflsEqual`.

This specification is necessary because SOM needs a pointer to the original declaration of the method, which resides in `somf_MCollectible` Class. The `somf_TPriorityQueue` object will use this pointer to access the `somflsSame` or `somflsEqual` method that was declared and defined in the object being inserted into, or removed from, the `somf_TPriorityQueue` object.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

## Example

```
somf_TPriorityQueue pq;
Environment *ev;
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();
pq = somf_TPriorityQueueNew();
/* Add some objects to pq */
_somfSetEqualityComparisonFunction(pq, ev,
                                   somf_MCollectibleClassData.somfIsEqual);
_somFree (pq);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TPriorityQueue

## Related Information

somfGetEqualityComparisonFunction

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## somfTPriorityQueueInitF Method

### Purpose

Initializes a new priority queue, given a comparison test method. This is the only way to set the comparison function used to determine priority for instances of the class. If this method is not used, `somflsLessThan` is used.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
somf_TPriorityQueue
somfTPriorityQueueInitF(
    in somf_MOrderableCompareFn
    testfn);
```

### Parameters

- receiver** A pointer to an object of class `somf_TPriorityQueue`.
- ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
- testfn** The method to be used to determine the priority of the objects in the queue. This determines whether "higher priority" objects are removed first or last. Using the `somflsLessThan` Method means that smaller objects are removed first and larger objects are removed last. Using the `somflsGreaterThan` Method reverses this.

This should always be set to either

```
somf_MOrderableCollectibleClassData.
                                     somflsLessThan or
somf_MOrderableCollectibleClassData.
                                     somflsGreaterThan
```

because SOM needs a pointer to the original declaration of the method, which resides in `somf_MOrderableCollectible Class`. The `somf_TPriorityQueue` object will use this pointer to access the `somflsLessThan` or `somflsGreaterThan` method that was declared and defined in the inserted or removed object.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to an initialized `somf_TPriorityQueue` object.

## Example

```
somf_TPriorityQueue pq1;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
pq1 = somf_TPriorityQueueNew();  
_somfTPriorityQueueInitF(pq1, ev,  
    somf_MOrderableCollectibleClassData.somfIsLessThan);  
_somFree (pq1);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TPriorityQueue

## Related Information

somfTPriorityQueueInitP

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## somfTPriorityQueueInitP Method

### Purpose

Initializes a new priority queue, setting it equal to another specified priority queue. The method also sets the new priority queue equal to another specified priority queue. This implies that the instance data of the new priority queue will be set equal to those of the source priority queue.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
somf_TPriorityQueue  
somfTPriorityQueueInitP(  
    in somf_TPriorityQueue q);
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TPriorityQueue.  
**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**q** A pointer to the existing instance of somf\_TPriorityQueue to which the new priority queue will be set equal.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to an initialized somf\_TPriorityQueue object.

### Example

```
somf_TPriorityQueue pq1;  
somf_TPriorityQueue pq2;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
pq1 = somf_TPriorityQueueNew();  
pq2 = somf_TPriorityQueueNew();  
_somfTPriorityQueueInitP(pq2, ev, pq1);  
_somFree (pq1);  
_somFree (pq2);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TPriorityQueue

## Related Information

`somfTPriorityQueueInitF`



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## Chapter 18. somf\_TPriorityQueueIterator Class

The somf\_TPriorityQueueIterator class defines an iterator for somf\_TPriorityQueue Class that will iterate over all of the objects in a priority queue.

**Note:** A somf\_TPriorityQueueIterator iterator does not return objects in order, because a somf\_TPriorityQueue is only partially ordered in storage.

### Member Name:

tpqitr

### Import Name:

GOSSOMUC

### Base Class:

somf\_TIterator

### Metaclass:

SOMClass

### Ancestor Classes:

somf\_TIterator  
SOMClass

### Subclasses:

None.

### Types:

None.

### Attributes:

None.

### New Methods:

somfTPriorityQueueIteratorInit

### Overriding Methods:

somfNext  
somfFirst  
somfRemove

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## somfFirst Method

### Purpose

Resets the iterator and returns the first object in a priority queue. The method returns the first object of the priority queue that corresponds to the specified iterator. This method resets the iterator to the beginning even if other operations on the collection cause the iterator to be invalidated.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. `somfFirst` is a method name declared in multiple parents. You will probably have to fully qualify the method name. This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
itr->somfFirst(ev);
```

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfFirst ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_TPriorityQueueIterator`.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to the first `somf_MCollectible` object in the priority queue collection. Or, `SOMF_NIL` is returned if the collection is empty.

### Example

```

sopf_TPriorityQueue pq;
Environment *ev;
sopf_TPriorityQueueIterator itr;
sopf_MOrderableCollectible itrobj;
ev = somf_GetGlobalEnvironment();
pq = somf_TPriorityQueueNew();
itr = somf_TPriorityQueueIteratorNew();
_sopf_TPriorityQueueIteratorInit(itr, ev, pq);
/* Add some object to pq */
/* Iterate through the TPriorityQueue */
itrobj = _sopf_First(itr, ev);
while (itrobj != SOMF_NIL)
{
    /* do something with itrobj */
    itrobj = _sopf_Next(itr, ev);
}
_sopf_Free (pq);
_sopf_Free (itr);

```

## Original Class

sopf\_TIterator (overridden here)

## Related Information

sopf\_Next

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## somfNext Method

### Purpose

Gets the next object in a priority queue.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. If any child of `somf_TIterator` is used with a child of `somf_TPrimitiveLinkedListIterator`, then the name of the method will have to be fully qualified. This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
itr->somfNext(ev);
```

If the priority queue has changed since the last time `somfFirst` was called (other than through the `somfRemove` Method of this iterator), this method will fail.

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfNext ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_TPriorityQueueIterator`.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MCollectible**     A pointer to the next `somf_MCollectible` in the queue.  
**SOMF\_NIL**     The end of the collection has been reached.

### Example

```

somf_TPriorityQueue pq;
Environment *ev;
somf_TPriorityQueueIterator itr;
somf_MOrderableCollectible itrobj;
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();
pq = somf_TPriorityQueueNew();
itr = somf_TPriorityQueueIteratorNew();
_somfTPriorityQueueIteratorInit(itr, ev, pq);
/* Add some object to pq */
/* Iterate through the TPriorityQueue */
itrobj = _somfFirst(itr, ev);
while (itrobj != SOMF_NIL)
{
    /* do something with itrobj */
    itrobj = _somfNext(itr, ev);
}
_somfFree (pq);
_somfFree (itr);

```

## Original Class

somf\_TIterator (overridden here)

## Related Information

somfFirst

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## somfRemove Method

### Purpose

Removes the current object (the one just returned by a `somfFirst` or `somfNext` method) from a priority queue.

The `somfRemove` method is the only way to remove an object from a priority queue during iteration. However, if multiple iterators are in process, all other iterators are invalidated, just as if some other kind of change had occurred in the priority queue.

If the collection has changed (other than through the use of the `somfRemove` method of this iterator) since the last time `somfFirst` Method was called, this method will fail.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. `somfRemove` is a method name declared in multiple parents. You will probably have to fully qualify the method name. This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
itr->somfRemove(ev);
```

### Syntax

```
void somfRemove ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_TPriorityQueueIterator`.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Example

```
somf_TPriorityQueue pq;  
Environment *ev;  
somf_TPriorityQueueIterator itr;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
pq = somf_TPriorityQueueNew();  
itr = somf_TPriorityQueueIteratorNew();  
_somfTPriorityQueueIteratorInit(itr, ev, pq);  
/* Add some object to pq */  
/* Remove the first object in pq */  
_somfFirst(itr, ev);  
somf_TPriorityQueueIterator_somfRemove(itr, ev);  
_somFree (pq);  
_somFree (itr);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TIterator

## Related Information

None.

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## somfTPriorityQueueIteratorInit Method

### Purpose

Initializes a new priority queue iterator, given the priority queue over which it will iterate. This is one of two ways to initialize a somf\_TPriorityQueueIterator iterator to point to an instance of a somf\_TPriorityQueue priority queue collection. The other is to use the somf\_TPriorityQueue class's somfCreateIterator Method.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
somf_TPriorityQueueIterator  
somfTPriorityQueueIteratorInit(  
    in somf_TPriorityQueue h);
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TPriorityQueueIterator.  
**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**h** A pointer to the somf\_TPriorityQueue object over which the receiving object will iterate.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to an initialized somf\_TPriorityQueueIterator object.

### Example

```
somf_TPriorityQueue pq;  
Environment *ev;  
somf_TPriorityQueueIterator itr;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
pq = somf_TPriorityQueueNew();  
itr = somf_TPriorityQueueIteratorNew();  
_somfTPriorityQueueIteratorInit(itr, ev, pq);  
_somFree (pq);  
_somFree (itr);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TPriorityQueueIterator



## Related Information

None.



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## Chapter 19. somf\_TSequence Class

The somf\_TSequence class is an abstract superclass for collections whose objects are ordered.

When creating a collection whose objects are ordered, your classes should inherit from somf\_TSequence. When creating an unordered collection, your classes should inherit from somf\_TCollection. The somf\_TSequence class's pure virtual functions provide the framework for the methods that should be available in an ordered collection.

### Member Name:

tseq

### Import Name:

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### Base Class:

somf\_TCollection

### Metaclass:

SOMClass

### Ancestor Classes:

somf\_TCollection  
somf\_MCollectible  
SOMObject

### Subclasses:

None.

### Types:

None.

### Attributes:

None.

### New Methods:

somfFirst  
somfAfter  
somfBefore  
somfLast  
somfOccurrencesOf  
somfTSequenceInit

### Overriding Methods:

somfAdd  
somfRemove  
somfRemoveAll  
somfDeleteAll  
somfCount  
somfCreateIterator  
somDefaultInit

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## somfAdd Method

### Purpose

Adds an object to a given ordered collection. Every class that inherits from the `somf_TSequence` class must override this method for that class to work correctly.

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfAdd(  
    in somf_MCollectible obj);
```

### Parameters

- receiver** A pointer to an object of class `somf_TSequence`.
- ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
- obj** A pointer to a `somf_MCollectible` object that will be added to the receiving object.

### Restrictions and Limitations

You cannot use this method directly from this class; it must be overridden. If you invoke this method directly, an error message is written and processing will end.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MCollectible**

A pointer to the `somf_MCollectible` object that had to be removed in order to add *obj*. Recall that some of the main collection classes will only accept one occurrence of an object where the `somfIsEqual` Method or `somfIsSame` Method would be TRUE.

**SOMF\_NIL** No `somf_MCollectible` object had to be removed in order to add *obj*.

### Example

For examples of how this method looks when it is invoked, see `somf_TDeque` Class or `somf_TSortedSequence` Class.

### Original Class

`somf_TCollection` (overridden here)

### Related Information

None.

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## somfAfter Method

### Purpose

Gets the object found after a given object *obj* in an ordered collection. Every class that inherits from the `somf_TSequence` class must override this method for that class to work correctly.

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfAfter(  
    in somf_MCollectible obj);
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class `somf_TSequence`.  
**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**obj** A pointer to the `somf_MCollectible` object that is in front of the returned `obj`.

### Restrictions and Limitations

You cannot use this method directly from this class; it must be overridden. If you invoke this method directly, an error message is written and processing will end.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MCollectible** A pointer to the `somf_MCollectible` object after `obj`.  
**SOMF\_NIL** The `obj` is the last object in this collection or could not be found.

### Example

For examples of how this method is invoked, see `somf_TDeque` Class or `somf_TSortedSequence` Class.

### Original Class

`somf_TSequence`

### Related Information

`somfBefore`  
`somfFirst`  
`somfLast`

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## somfBefore Method

### Purpose

Gets the object found before a given *obj* in an ordered collection. Every class that inherits from the `somf_TSequence` class must override this method for that class to work correctly.

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfBefore(  
    in somf_MCollectible obj);
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class `somf_TSequence`.  
**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**obj** A pointer to the `somf_MCollectible` object that is behind the returned object.

### Restrictions and Limitations

You cannot use this method directly from this class; it must be overridden. If you invoke this method directly, an error message is written and processing will end.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MCollectible** A pointer to the `somf_MCollectible` object that precedes *obj*.  
**SOMF\_NIL** The *obj* is the first object in this collection or could not be found.

### Example

For examples of how this method is invoked, see `somf_TDeque` Class or `somf_TSortedSequence` Class.

### Original Class

`somf_TSequence`

### Related Information

`somfAfter`  
`somfFirst`  
`somfLast`

---

## somfCount Method

### Purpose

Gets the number of objects in this ordered collection. Every class that inherits from the `somf_TSequence` class must override this method for that class to work correctly.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. Thus, if any child of `somf_TCollection` is used with a child of `somf_THashTable`, then the name of the method will have to be fully qualified (example: `somf_TSequence_somfCount`). This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
d->somfCount(ev);
```

### Syntax

```
long somfCount ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_TSequence`.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

You cannot use this method directly from this class; it must be overridden. If you invoke this method directly, an error message is written and processing will end.

### Returned Values

This method returns the number of objects in the ordered collection.

### Example

For examples of how this method is invoked, see `somf_TDeque Class` or `somf_TSortedSequence Class`.

### Original Class

`somf_TCollection` (overridden here)

### Related Information

None.



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## somfCreateliterator Method

### Purpose

Returns a new iterator that is suitable for iterating over the objects in an ordered collection. Every class that inherits from the somf\_TSequence class must override this method for that class to work correctly.

### Syntax

```
somf_Tliterator somfCreateliterator ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TSequence.  
**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

You cannot use this method directly from this class; it must be overridden. If you invoke this method directly, an error message is written and processing will end.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to the new iterator.

### Example

For examples of how this method is invoked, see somf\_TDeque Class or somf\_TSortedSequence Class.

### Original Class

somf\_TCollection (overridden here)

### Related Information

None.

---

## somfDeleteAll Method

### Purpose

Removes all of the objects from an ordered collection and deallocates the storage that these objects might have owned. (That is, the destructor function is called for each object in the collection.) The method also deallocates the storage that these objects might have owned (that is, the destructor function is called for each object in the collection). Every class that inherits from the `somf_TSequence` class must override this method for that class to work correctly.

Be careful with `somfDeleteAll`. Since a collection only contains pointers to objects (rather than the objects themselves), `somfDeleteAll` can cause a problem if a pointer to an object appears more than once. For example, if multiple pointers to *A* exists, or if a single pointer to *A* is in the collection multiple times, the behavior of the code is undefined, because it will try to delete *A* multiple times. If you think there is a chance that an object could appear in the collection more than once, you should consider using `somfRemoveAll` Method to remove the objects from the collection and deleting them some other way.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. Thus, if any child of `somf_TCollection` is used with `somf_THashTable`, then the name of the method will have to be fully qualified (example: `somf_TDictionary_somfDeleteAll`). This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
d->somfDeleteAll(ev);
```

### Syntax

```
void somfDeleteAll ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_TSequence`.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

You cannot use this method directly from this class; it must be overridden. If you invoke this method directly, an error message is written and processing will end.

### Returned Values

None.

## Example

For examples of how this method is invoked, see `somf_TDeque` Class or `somf_TSortedSequence` Class.

## Original Class

`somf_TCollection` (overridden here)

## Related Information

None.

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## somfFirst Method

### Purpose

Gets the first object in an ordered collection. Every class that inherits from the `somf_TSequence` class must override this method for that class to work correctly.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. `somfFirst` is a method name declared in multiple parents (example: `somf_TSequence`, `somf_TIterator`). You will probably have to fully qualify the method name (example: `somf_TDeque_somfFirst`). This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
seq->somfFirst(ev);
```

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfFirst ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_TSequence`.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MCollectible**  
A pointer to the first `somf_MCollectible` object in the ordered collection.  
**SOMF\_NIL**     Nothing is in the collection.

### Restrictions and Limitations

You cannot use this method directly from this class; it must be overridden. If you invoke this method directly, an error message is written and processing will end.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

For examples of how this method is invoked, see `somf_TDeque Class` or `somf_TSortedSequence Class`.

## Original Class

somf\_TSequence

## Related Information

somfLast  
somfAfter  
somfBefore

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## somfLast Method

### Purpose

Gets the last object in an ordered collection. Every class that inherits from the `somf_TSequence` class must override this method for that class to work correctly.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. `somfLast` is a method name declared in multiple parents (example: `somf_TSequenceIterator`, `somf_TSequence`, etc.). You will probably have to fully qualify the method name (example: `somf_TDeque_somfLast`). This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
seq->somfLast(ev);
```

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfLast ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_TSequence`.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

You cannot use this method directly from this class; it must be overridden. If you invoke this method directly, an error message is written and processing will end.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MCollectible**  
A pointer to the last `somf_MCollectible` object in the ordered collection.

**SOMF\_NIL**     Nothing is in the collection.

### Example

For examples of how this method is invoked, see `somf_TDeque Class` or `somf_TSortedSequence Class`.

### Original Class

`somf_TSequence`

## Related Information

somfAfter  
somfBefore  
somfFirst

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## somfOccurrencesOf Method

### Purpose

Determines the number of times an object `obj` is contained in an ordered collection.

### Syntax

```
long somfOccurrencesOf(  
    in somf_MCollectible obj);
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class `somf_TSequence`.  
**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**obj** A pointer to the `somf_MCollectible` object to look for in the collection.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a number indicating how many times `obj` occurs in the collection.

### Example

```
somf_TDeque dq;  
<Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible> obj;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
dq = somf_TDequeNew();  
obj = <Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible>New();  
_somfAddFirst(dq, ev, obj);  
somPrintf("\n There are %d OccurrencesOf obj\n",  
          _somfOccurrencesOf(dq, ev, obj));  
  
_somFree (dq);  
_somFree (obj);
```

### Original Class

`somf_TSequence`

### Related Information

None.



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## somfRemove Method

### Purpose

Removes an object from an ordered collection. Every class that inherits from the `somf_TSequence` Class must override this method for that class to work correctly.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. `somfRemove` is a method name declared in multiple parents (example: `somf_TCollection`, `somf_THashTable`, `somf_TIterator`). You will probably have to fully qualify the method name (for example: `somf_TDictionary_somfRemove`). This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
d->somfRemove(ev, obj);
```

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfRemove(  
    in somf_MCollectible obj);
```

### Parameters

- receiver** A pointer to an object of class `somf_TSequence`.
- ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
- obj** A pointer to the `somf_MCollectible` object to be removed from the collection.

### Restrictions and Limitations

You cannot use this method directly from this class; it must be overridden. If you invoke this method directly, an error message is written and processing will end.

### Returned Values

- somf\_MCollectible** A pointer to the object which was removed.
- SOMF\_NIL** The object was not found.

### Example

For examples of how this method is invoked, see `somf_TDeque` Class or `somf_TSortedSequence` Class.

## Original Class

somf\_TCollection (overridden here)

## Related Information

somfRemoveAll

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## somfRemoveAll Method

### Purpose

Removes all of the objects from an ordered collection. Every class that inherits from the `somf_TSequence` class must override this method for that class to work correctly.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. Thus, if any child of `somf_TCollection` is used with `somf_THashTable`, then the name of the method will have to be fully qualified (example: `somf_TDictionary_somfRemoveAll`). This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
d->somfRemoveAll (ev);
```

### Syntax

```
void somfRemoveAll ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_TSequence`.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

You cannot use this method directly from this class; it must be overridden. If you invoke this method directly, an error message is written and processing will end.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

For examples of how this method is invoked, see `somf_TDeque Class` or `somf_TSortedSequence Class`.

### Original Class

`somf_TCollection` (overridden here)

### Related Information

`somfRemove`

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## somfTSequenceInit Method

### Purpose

Initializes a new ordered collection of class `somf_TSequence`, given a comparison method for the collection to use. The method also establishes the comparison method that the new ordered collection will use to compare current potential objects for the collection, as determined by the *testfn* argument.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
somf_TSequence somfTSequenceInit(  
    in somf_MCollectibleCompareFn  
    testfn);
```

### Parameters

- receiver** A pointer to an object of class `somf_TSequence`.
- ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
- testfn** A method pointer specifying either a `somflsEqual` or a `somflsSame` method.
- This argument should always be set to either `somf_MCollectibleClassData.somflsSame` or `somf_MCollectibleClassData.somflsEqual`.
- This specification is necessary because SOM needs a pointer to the original declaration of the method, which resides in `somf_MCollectible`. The `somf_TSequence` object will use this pointer to access the `somflsSame` Method or `somflsEqual` Method that was declared and defined in the object being inserted into, or removed from, the `somf_TSequence` object.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to an initialized `somf_TSequence` object.

### Original Class

`somf_TSequence`

## Related Information

None.



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## Chapter 20. somf\_TSequenceliterator Class

The somf\_TSequenceliterator class is an abstract base class that defines an iterator for the abstract base class somf\_TSequence Class. The methods defined in somf\_TSequenceliterator will iterate over all of the objects in a sequence.

When creating an iterator for an ordered collection, your classes should inherit from the somf\_TSequenceliterator class. (When creating an iterator for an unordered collection, your classes should inherit from somf\_TIterator.) The somf\_TSequenceliterator class's pure virtual functions provide the framework for the methods that should be available in an iterator for an ordered collection.

### Member Name:

tseqitr

### Import Name:

GOSSOMUC

### Base Class:

somf\_TIterator

### Metaclass:

SOMClass

### Ancestor Classes:

somf\_TIterator  
SOMObject

### Subclasses:

None.

### Types:

None.

### Attributes:

None.

### New Methods:

somfLast  
somfPrevious

### Overriding Methods:

somfFirst  
somfNext  
somfRemove

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## somfFirst Method

### Purpose

Resets the iterator and gets the first object of an ordered collection.

The `somfFirst` method resets the iterator to the beginning of the collection. This is true not only for the first time the iterator is used; it is also true if other operations on the collection cause the iterator to be invalidated. In the second case, the method also revalidates the iterator.

Every class that inherits from the `somf_TSequenceIterator` class must override this method for that class to work correctly.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. `somfFirst` is a method name declared in multiple parents (example: `somf_TSequence`, `somf_TIterator`, etc.). You will probably have to fully qualify the method name (example: `somf_TDequeueIterator_somfFirst`). This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:  
`itr->somfFirst(ev);`

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfFirst ();
```

### Parameters

- receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_TSequenceIterator`.
- ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

You cannot use this method directly from this class; it must be overridden. If you invoke this method directly, an error message is written and processing will end.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to the first `somf_MCollectible` object in the ordered collection.

### Example

For examples of how this method is invoked, see `somf_TDequeueIterator Class` or `somf_TSortedSequenceIterator Class`.



## Original Class

somf\_TIterator (overridden here)

## Related Information

somfNext

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## somfLast Method

### Purpose

Gets the last object in an ordered collection. Every class that inherits from the `somf_TSequenceliterator` class must override this method for that class to work correctly.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. `somfLast` is a method name declared in multiple parents (for example: `somf_TSequenceliterator`, `somf_TSequence`). You will probably have to fully qualify the name of the method (for example: `somf_TSortedSequenceliterator_somfLast`). This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
itr->somfLast(ev);
```

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfLast ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_TSequenceliterator`.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

You cannot use this method directly from this class; it must be overridden. If you invoke this method directly, an error message is written and processing will end.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to the last `somf_MCollectible` in the collection.

### Example

For examples of how this method is invoked, see `somf_TDequelerator Class` or `somf_TSortedSequenceliterator Class`.

### Original Class

`somf_TSequenceliterator`

### Related Information

`somfPrevious`

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## somfNext Method

### Purpose

Gets the next object in an ordered collection. The method also returns a pointer to the next object, if found. Objects are retrieved in an order that reflects the "ordered-ness" of the collection (or the lack of ordering on the collection elements).

Every class that inherits from the `somf_TSequenceIterator` class must override this method for that class to work correctly.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. Thus, if any child of `somf_TIterator` is used with a child of `somf_TPrimitiveLinkedListIterator`, then the name of the method will have to be fully qualified (example: `somf_TDictionaryIterator_somfNext`). This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
itr->somfNext(ev);
```

If the collection has changed since the last time `somfFirst` was called (other than through the use of the `somfRemove` Method of this iterator), this method will fail.

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfNext ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_TSequenceIterator`.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

You cannot use this method directly from this class; it must be overridden. If you invoke this method directly, an error message is written and processing will end.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MCollectible**     A pointer to the next `somf_MCollectible` object in the collection.  
**SOMF\_NIL**     The end of the collection has been reached.

### Example

For examples of how this method is invoked, see `somf_TDequeueIterator` Class or `somf_TSortedSequenceIterator` Class.

## Original Class

somf\_TIterator (overridden here)

## Related Information

somfFirst

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## somfPrevious Method

### Purpose

Gets the previous object in an ordered collection. Every class that inherits from the `somf_TSequenceliterator` class must override this method for that class to work correctly.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. Thus, if any child of `somf_TSequenceliterator` is used with `somf_TPrimitiveLinkedListliterator`, then the name of the method will have to be fully qualified (example: `somf_TSortedSequenceliterator_somfPrevious`). This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
itr->somfPrevious(ev);
```

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfPrevious ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class `somf_TSequenceliterator`.  
**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

You cannot use this method directly from this class; it must be overridden. If you invoke this method directly, an error message is written and processing will end.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MCollectible** A pointer to the previous `somf_MCollectible` object in the collection.  
**SOMF\_NIL** The beginning of the collection has been reached.

### Example

For examples of how this method is invoked, see `somf_TDequelerator Class` or `somf_TSortedSequenceliterator Class`.

### Original Class

`somf_TSequenceliterator`

## Related Information

somfLast

---

## somfRemove Method

### Purpose

Removes the current object from an ordered collection.

The `somfRemove` method is the only way to remove an object from an ordered collection during iteration. However, if multiple iterators are in process, all other iterators are invalidated, just as if some other kind of change had occurred in the collection.

If the collection has changed (other than through the use of the `somfRemove` method of this iterator) since the last time `somfFirst` or `somfLast` was called, this method will fail.

Every class that inherits from the `somf_TSequenceIterator` class must override this method for that class to work correctly.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. `somfRemove` is a method name declared in multiple parents (example: `somf_TCollection`, `somf_THashTable`, `somf_TIterator`). You will probably have to fully qualify the method name (for example: `somf_TDictionaryIterator_somfRemove`). This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
itr->somfRemove(ev);
```

### Syntax

```
void somfRemove ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_TSequenceIterator`.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

You cannot use this method directly from this class; it must be overridden. If you invoke this method directly, an error message is written and processing will end.

### Returned Values

None.

## Example

For examples of how this method is invoked, see `somf_TDequelterator Class` or `somf_TSortedSequenceIterator Class`.

## Original Class

`somf_TIterator` (overridden here)

## Related Information

None.



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## Chapter 21. somf\_TSet Class

The somf\_TSet class is a subclass of somf\_TCollection. It represents an unordered collection of objects in which objects can appear only once.

Because somf\_TSet takes objects of somf\_MCollectible as members, any class that inherits from somf\_MCollectible can be an element of the set. This means, for example, that you can have a set containing somf\_TDeque Class objects, or a set of somf\_TDictionary Class objects, or objects of any main collection class.

Objects that are inserted into the somf\_TSet collection must inherit from somf\_MCollectible. In addition, they must override the somfHash Method, and the somfIsEqual Method method. These are used internally by collections of the somf\_TSet class.

The somf\_TSet class uses somfIsEqual as the default comparison function. If key1="Bart" and key2="Bart", then key1 and key2 are equal. If you do not want to use this method to equate entries, use an initialization methods to change to somfIsSame.

**Note:** The somf\_TSet class only allows objects to be in the collection once. If an object will be needed in the set more than once, you should consider using a somf\_TDeque instead.

### Member Name:

tset

### Import Name:

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### Base Class:

somf\_TCollection

### Metaclass:

SOMClass

### Ancestor Classes:

somf\_TCollection  
somf\_MCollectible  
SOMObject

### Subclasses:

None.

### Types:

None.

### Attributes:

None.

**New Methods:**

- somfDifferenceS
- somfDifferenceSS
- somfIntersectionS
- somfIntersectionSS
- somfUnionS
- somfUnionSS
- somfXorS
- somfXorSS
- somfSetHashFunction
- somfGetHashFunction
- somfRehash
- somfAssign
- somfTSetInitFL
- somfTSetInitF
- somfTSetInitLF
- somfTSetInitL
- somfTSetInitS

**Overriding Methods:**

- somDefaultInit
- somDestruct
- somfAdd
- somfRemove
- somfRemoveAll
- somfDeleteAll
- somfCount
- somfMember
- somfCreateIterator

---

## somfAdd Method

### Purpose

Adds an object to a given set.

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfAdd(  
    in somf_MCollectible obj);
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TSet.  
**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**obj** A pointer to the somf\_MCollectible Class object that will be added to the set.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MCollectible** A pointer to the somf\_MCollectible object that had to be removed in order to add obj.  
**SOMF\_NIL** No somf\_MCollectible object had to be removed in order to add *obj*.

### Example

```
somf_TSet s;  
<Your class which inherits from somf_MCollectible> obj;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
s = somf_TSetNew();  
obj = <Your class which inherits from somf_MCollectible>New();  
/* Add obj to s */  
if (_somfAdd(s, ev, obj) != SOMF_NIL)  
    somPrintf("\n problem adding obj to s\n");  
_somFree (s);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TCollection (overridden here)

## Related Information

None.

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## somfAssign Method

### Purpose

Assigns a set as being equal to a given source set. That is, the method sets/resets the instance variables of the receiver to the values of the source. This operation is logically equivalent to using the equal (=) operator.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. Thus, if any child of somf\_TSet is used with any other main collection class, then the name of the method will have to be fully qualified (example: somf\_TSet\_somfAssign). This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
d->somfAssign(ev, d2);
```

### Syntax

```
void somfAssign (  
    in somf_TSet source);
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class somf\_TSet.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**source**         A pointer to the set to which the receiving object will be made equal.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
somf_TSet s1;  
somf_TSet s2;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
s1 = somf_TSetNew();  
s2 = somf_TSetNew();  
/* Add som objects to s1 */  
/* Assign s2 = s1 */  
somf_TSet_somfAssign(s2, ev, s1);  
_somFree (s1);  
_somFree (s2);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TSet

## Related Information

None.

---

## somfCount Method

### Purpose

Gets the number of objects in a given set.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. Thus, if any child of `somf_TCollection` is used with `somf_THashTable`, then the name of the method will have to be fully qualified (example: `somf_TDictionary_somfCount`). This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
d->somfCount(ev);
```

### Syntax

```
long somfCount ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_TSet`.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns the number of objects contained in the set.

### Example

```
somf_TSet s;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
s = somf_TSetNew();  
somPrintf("\n Count of s= %d\n", _somfCount(s,ev));  
_somFree (s);
```

### Original Class

`somf_TCollection` (overridden here)

### Related Information

None.

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## somfCreateliterator Method

### Purpose

Returns a new iterator that is suitable for iterating over the objects in this set.

**Note:** This is one of two ways to initialize a somf\_TSetliterator Class iterator to point to an instance of somf\_TSet. The other way is to use the somf\_TSetliterator class's initializer method.

### Syntax

```
somf_Tliterator somfCreateliterator ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class somf\_TSet.

**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to the new iterator.

### Example

```
somf_TSet s;  
Environment *ev;  
somf_TSetIterator itr;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
s = somf_TSetNew();  
itr = (somf_TSetIterator*) _somfCreateIterator(s,ev);  
_somFree (s);  
_somFree (itr);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TCollection (overridden here)

### Related Information

None.



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## somfDeleteAll Method

### Purpose

Removes all of the objects from a set and deallocates the storage that these objects might have owned. (That is, the destructor function is called for each object in the set.) The method also deallocates the storage that these objects might have owned. The destructor function is called for each object in the collection.

Since a collection only contains pointers to objects, rather than the objects themselves, `somfDeleteAll` can cause a problem if a pointer to an object appears more than once. If multiple pointers to A exist, or if a single pointer to A is in the collection multiple times, the behavior of the code is undefined, because it will try to delete A multiple times. If you think there is a chance that an object could appear in the collection more than once, you should consider using `somfRemoveAll` Method to remove the objects from the collection and deleting them some other way.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. Thus, if any child of `somf_TCollection` is used with `somf_THashTable`, then the name of the method will have to be fully qualified (example: `somf_TSet_somfDeleteAll`). This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
d->somfDeleteAll(ev);
```

### Syntax

```
void somfDeleteAll ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_TSet`.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
somf_TSet s;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somfGetGlobalEnvironment();  
s = somf_TSetNew();  
/* Add some objects to s */  
/* Remove all of the objects from s AND DELETE THEM */  
_somfDeleteAll(s,ev);  
_somFree (s);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TCollection (overridden here)

## Related Information

None.

---

## somfDifferenceS Method

### Purpose

Determines the elements of a given set that do not appear in another specified set, and modifies the first set to contain only those different elements. The set used as the receiving object is destructively modified to contain only those elements that do not appear in set1.

### Syntax

```
void somfDifferenceS(  
    in somf_TSet set1);
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class somf\_TSet.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**set1**           A pointer to the set that the receiving object will be compared against.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
somf_TSet s1;  
somf_TSet s2;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
s1 = somf_TSetNew();  
s2 = somf_TSetNew();  
/* Find the differences between s1 and s2, and put in s1 */  
_somfDifferenceS(s1, ev, s2);  
_somFree (s1);  
_somFree (s2);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TSet

### Related Information

somfDifferenceSS

---

## somfDifferenceSS Method

### Purpose

Determines the elements of a given set that do not appear in another specified set, and places those different elements in a third set. Those elements that do not appear in set are then placed in set *resultSet*. The original receiving-object set remains unchanged.

### Syntax

```
void somfDifferenceSS (  
    in somf_TSet set1,  
    in somf_TSet resultSet);
```

### Parameters

- receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TSet.
- ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
- set1** A pointer to the set that the receiving object set will be compared against.
- resultSet** A pointer to the set containing the results of the operation.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
somf_TSet s1;  
somf_TSet s2;  
somf_TSet s3;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
s1 = somf_TSetNew();  
s2 = somf_TSetNew();  
s3 = somf_TSetNew();  
/* Find the differences between s1 and s2, and put in s3 */  
_somfDifferenceSS(s1, ev, s2, s3);  
_somFree (s1);  
_somFree (s2);  
_somFree (s3);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TSet

## Related Information

somfDifferenceS

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## somfGetHashFunction Method

### Purpose

Gets a pointer to the hash function used by a set.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. If `somf_TSet` is used with a child of `somf_THashTable` or `somf_TDictionary`, then the name of the method will have to be fully qualified (example: `somf_TSet_somfGetHashFunction`). This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
d->somfGetHashFunction(ev);
```

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectibleHashFn  
somfGetHashFunction ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_TSet`.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to the hash function.

### Example

```
somf_TSet s;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somf_GetGlobalEnvironment();  
s = somf_TSetNew();  
if ((somf_TSet_somfGetHashFunction(s, ev)) !=  
    somf_MCollectibleClassData.somfHash)  
    somf_Printf("\n What Hash Function are we using?\n");  
_somfFree (s);
```

### Original Class

`somf_TSet`

## Related Information

`somfSetHashFunction`

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## somfIntersectionS Method

### Purpose

Gets those elements that are members of both a given set and another set, *set1*, and modifies the first set to contain only those common elements.

The `somfIntersectionS` method determines, given the receiving-object set and *set1*, which elements are contained in both sets. The set used as the receiving object is then destructively modified to contain only those common elements.

### Syntax

```
void somfIntersectionS(  
    in somf_TSet set1);
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_TSet`.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**set1**           A pointer to the set that the receiving object will be compared against.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
somf_TSet s1;  
somf_TSet s2;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somf_GetGlobalEnvironment();  
s1 = somf_TSetNew();  
s2 = somf_TSetNew();  
/* Find the intersection between s1 and s2, and put in s1 */  
_somfIntersectionS(s1, ev, s2);  
_somFree (s1);  
_somFree (s2);
```

### Original Class

`somf_TSet`



## Related Information

`somfIntersectionSS`

---

## somfIntersectionSS Method

### Purpose

Gets those elements that are members of both a given set and another set, *set1*, and places those common elements in a third set.

The `somfIntersectionSS` method determines, given the receiving-object set and *set1*, which elements are contained in both sets. The common elements are then placed in `resultSet`. The original receiving-object set and *set1* remain unchanged.

### Syntax

```
void somfIntersectionSS(  
    in somf_TSet set1,  
    in somf_TSet resultSet);
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class `somf_TSet`.  
**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**set1** A pointer to the set this instance will be compared against.  
**resultSet** A pointer to the set containing the results of the operation.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
somf_TSet s1;  
somf_TSet s2;  
somf_TSet s3;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
s1 = somf_TSetNew();  
s2 = somf_TSetNew();  
s3 = somf_TSetNew();  
/* Find the intersection between s1 and s2, and put in s3 */  
_somfIntersectionSS(s1, ev, s2, s3);  
_somFree (s1);  
_somFree (s2);  
_somFree (s3);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TSet

## Related Information

somfIntersectionS

---

## somfMember Method

### Purpose

Gets an object from a set.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. Thus, if any child of somf\_TCollection is used with somf\_THashTable, then the name of the method will have to be fully qualified (example: somf\_TSet\_somfMember). This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
d->somfMember(ev, obj);
```

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfMember(  
    in somf_MCollectible obj);
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TSet.

**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

**obj** A pointer to the somf\_MCollectible that may or may not be a member of the Collection.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MCollectible** A pointer to the object the method determined as the member.

**SOMF\_NIL** The object was not found.

### Example

```
somf_TSet s;  
<Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible> obj;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
s = somf_TSetNew();  
obj = <Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible>New();  
_somfAdd(s, ev, obj);  
if (_somfMember(s, ev, obj) != SOMF_NIL)  
    somPrintf("\n obj is a Member\n");  
else  
    somPrintf("\n ERROR: obj should be a Member\n");  
_somFree (s);  
_somFree (obj);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TCollection (overridden here)

## Related Information

None.

---

## somfRehash Method

### Purpose

Rehashes a set, cleaning up for any objects that were marked for deletion.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
void somfRehash ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class somf\_TSet.

**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
somf_TSet s;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
s = somf_TSetNew();  
_somfRehash(s, ev);  
_somFree (s);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TSet

### Related Information

None.

---

## somfRemove Method

### Purpose

Removes an object from a given set.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. `somfRemove` is a method name declared in multiple parents (example: `somf_TCollection`, `somf_THashTable`, `somf_TIterator`, etc.). You will probably have to fully qualify the name of the method. This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
d->somfRemove(ev, obj);
```

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfRemove(  
    in somf_MCollectible obj);
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_TSet`.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**obj**            A pointer to the `somf_MCollectible` object to be removed from the set.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MCollectible**     A pointer to the object that was removed.  
**SOMF\_NIL**     The object was not found.

### Example

```
somf_TSet s;  
<Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible> obj;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somf_GetGlobalEnvironment();  
s = somf_TSetNew();  
obj = <Your Class which inherits from somf_MCollectible>New();  
_somfAdd(s, ev, obj);  
if (somf_TSet_somfRemove(s, ev, obj) == SOMF_NIL)  
    somf_Printf("\n problem removing obj from s\n");  
_somfFree (s);  
_somfFree (obj);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TCollection (overridden here)

## Related Information

somfRemoveAll



---

## somfRemoveAll Method

### Purpose

Removes all of the objects from a given set.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. Thus, if any child of somf\_TCollection is used with a child of somf\_THashTable, then the name of the method will have to be fully qualified (example: somf\_TSet\_somfRemoveAll). This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
d->somfRemoveAll(ev);
```

### Syntax

```
void somfRemoveAll ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class somf\_TSet.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
somf_TSet s;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
s = somf_TSetNew();  
/* Remove All of the objects in s */  
_somfRemoveAll(s, ev);  
_somFree (s);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TCollection (overridden here)

### Related Information

somfRemove

---

## somfSetHashFunction Method

### Purpose

Sets the hash function of a set.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. Thus, if a child of `somf_TDictionary` is used with a child of `somf_THashTable` or `somf_TSet`, then the name of the method will have to be fully qualified (example: `somf_TSet_somfSetHashFunction`). This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
d->somfSetHashFunction(ev);
```

### Syntax

```
void somfSetHashFunction(  
    in somf_MCollectibleHashFn fn);
```

### Parameters

- receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_TSet`.
- ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
- fn**             A function pointer specifying a `somfHash` Method type function.

This argument should always be set to

```
somf_MCollectibleClassData.somfHash
```

This specification is necessary because SOM needs a pointer to the original declaration of the method, which resides in `somf_MCollectible` Class. The `somf_TSet` object will use this pointer to access the `somfHash` method that was declared and defined in the object being inserted into, or removed from, the `somf_TSet` object.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
somf_TSet s;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
s = somf_TSetNew();  
somf_TSet_somfSetHashFunction(s, ev,  
                               somf_MCollectibleClassData.somfHash);  
_somFree (s);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TSet

## Related Information

somfGetHashFunction

---

## somfTSetInitF Method

### Purpose

Initializes a new set, given its comparison test method. The method assumes a default number of objects as the set size.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
somf_TSet somfTSetInitF(  
    in somf_MCollectibleCompareFn  
    testfn);
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TSet.

**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

**testfn** A method pointer specifying either a somflsEqual or a somflsSame method.

This argument should always be set to either  
somf\_MCollectibleClassData.somflsSame or  
somf\_MCollectibleClassData.somflsEqual.

This specification is necessary because SOM needs a pointer to the original declaration of the method, which resides in somf\_MCollectible Class. The somf\_TSet object will use this pointer to access the somflsSame Method or somflsEqual Method that was declared and defined in the object being inserted into, or removed from, the somf\_TSet object.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to an initialized somf\_TSet object.

### Example

```
somf_TSet s2;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
s2 = somf_TSetNew();  
_somfTSetInitF(s2, ev, somf_MCollectibleClassData.somflsEqual);  
_somFree (s2);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TSet

## Related Information

somfTSetInitFL  
somfTSetInitLF  
somfTSetInitL  
somfTSetInitS

---

## somfTSetInitFL Method

### Purpose

Initializes a new set, given the comparison test method and the initial set size. This method is equivalent of the somfTSetInitFL method.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
somf_TSet somfTSetInitFL(  
    in somf_MCollectibleCompareFn  
    testfn,  
    in long setSizeHint);
```

### Parameters

- receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TSet.
- ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
- testfn** A method pointer specifying either a somflsEqual or a somflsSame method.
- This argument should always be set to either somf\_MCollectibleClassData.somflsSame or somf\_MCollectibleClassData.somflsEqual.
- This specification is necessary because SOM needs a pointer to the original declaration of the method, which resides in somf\_MCollectible Class. The somf\_TSet object will use this pointer to access the somflsSame Method or somflsEqual Method that was declared and defined in the object being inserted into, or removed from, the somf\_TSet object.
- setSizeHint** The initial size of the set, the number of objects the set is expected to contain.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to an initialized somf\_TSet object.

### Example

```
somf_TSet s1;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
s1 = somf_TSetNew();  
_somfTSetInitFL(s1, ev, somf_MCollectibleClassData.somflsEqual, 8);  
_somFree (s1);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TSet

## Related Information

somfTSetInitLF  
somfTSetInitF  
somfTSetInitL  
somfTSetInitS

---

## somfTSetInitL Method

### Purpose

Initializes a new set, given the initial set size. The method assumes the somf\_TSet class's default comparison test function of somflsEqual.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
somf_TSet somfTSetInitL(  
    in long setSizeHint);
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TSet.

**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

**setSizeHint** The initial size of the set, the number of objects the set is expected to contain.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to an initialized somf\_TSet.

### Example

```
somf_TSet s4;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
s4 = somf_TSetNew();  
_somfTSetInitL(s4, ev, 8);  
_somFree (s4);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TSet

### Related Information

somfTSetInitFL  
somfTSetInitLF  
somfTSetInitF  
somfTSetInitS



---

## somfTSetInitLF Method

### Purpose

Initializes a new set, given the initial set size and the comparison test method. This method is equivalent to somfTSetInitFL.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
somf_TSet somfTSetInitLF(  
    in long setSizeHint,  
    in somf_MCollectibleCompareFn  
    testfn);
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TSet.

**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

**testfn** A method pointer specifying either a somfIsEqual or a somfIsSame method.

This argument should always be set to either somf\_MCollectibleClassData.somfIsSame or somf\_MCollectibleClassData.somfIsEqual.

This specification is necessary because SOM needs a pointer to the original declaration of the method, which resides in somf\_MCollectible Class. The somf\_TSet object will use this pointer to access the somfIsSame Method or somfIsEqual Method that was declared and defined in the object being inserted into, or removed from, the somf\_TSet object.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to an initialized somf\_TSet object.

### Example

```
somf_TSet s3;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
s3 = somf_TSetNew();  
_somfTSetInitLF(s3, ev, 8,  
                somf_MCollectibleClassData.somfIsEqual);  
_somFree (s3);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TSet

## Related Information

somfTSetInitFL  
somfTSetInitF  
somfTSetInitL  
somfTSetInitS

---

## somfTSetInitS Method

### Purpose

Initializes a new set, establishing it as equal to another given set. The method also establishes the new set as equal to the specified source set. This implies that the instance data of the new set will be equal to those of the source set.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
somf_TSet somfTSetInitS(  
    in somf_TSet s);
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class somf\_TSet.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**s**                A pointer to the set to which the receiving object will be equal.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to an initialized somf\_TSet object.

### Example

```
somf_TSet s4;  
somf_TSet s5;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
s4 = somf_TSetNew();  
s5 = somf_TSetNew();  
_somfTSetInitS(s5, ev, s4);  
_somFree (s4);  
_somFree (s5);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TSet

### Related Information

somfTSetInitFL  
somfTSetInitLF  
somfTSetInitF  
somfTSetInitL

---

## somfUnionS Method

### Purpose

Gets those elements that are members of either a given set or another set, *set1*, and modifies the first set to contain all elements from both sets. The set used as the receiving object is then destructively modified to contain all of those elements from both sets.

### Syntax

```
void somfUnionS(  
    in somf_TSet set1);
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class somf\_TSet.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**set1**           A pointer to the set that the receiving object will be compared against.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
somf_TSet s1;  
somf_TSet s2;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
s1 = somf_TSetNew();  
s2 = somf_TSetNew();  
/* Find the union between s1 and s2, and put it in s1 */  
_somfUnionS(s1, ev, s2);  
_somFree (s1);  
_somFree (s2);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TSet

### Related Information

somfUnionSS

---

## somfUnionSS Method

### Purpose

Gets those elements that are members of either a given set and another set, *set1*, and places all those elements in a third set.

The `somfUnionSS` method determines the set of elements that are contained either in the receiving-object set or in *set1*. All of those elements are then placed in set *resultSet*. The original receiving-object set and *set1* remain unchanged.

### Syntax

```
void somfUnionSS(
    in somf_TSet set1,
    in somf_TSet resultSet);
```

### Parameters

- receiver** A pointer to an object of class `somf_TSet`.
- ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
- set1** A pointer to the set that the receiving object will be compared against.
- resultSet** A pointer to the set containing the results of the operation.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
somf_TSet s1;
somf_TSet s2;
somf_TSet s3;
Environment *ev;
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();
s1 = somf_TSetNew();
s2 = somf_TSetNew();
s3 = somf_TSetNew();
/* Find the union between s1 and s2, and put it in s3 */
_somfUnionSS(s1, ev, s2, s3);
_somFree (s1);
_somFree (s2);
_somFree (s3);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TSet

## Related Information

somfUnionS

---

## somfXorS Method

### Purpose

Determines a set wherein each member is an element either of a given set or of another set *set1*, but not of both, and modifies the first set to contain the elements of the new set. The receiving object set is then modified to contain all of the elements of the newly determined set.

### Syntax

```
void somfXorS(  
    in somf_TSet set1);
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class somf\_TSet.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**set1**           A pointer to the set that the receiving object will be compared against.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
somf_TSet s1;  
somf_TSet s2;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
s1 = somf_TSetNew();  
s2 = somf_TSetNew();  
/* Find the exclusive or of s1 and s2, and put it in s1 */  
_somfXorS(s1, ev, s2);  
_somFree (s1);  
_somFree (s2);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TSet

### Related Information

somfXorSS

---

## somfXorSS Method

### Purpose

Determines a set where each member is an element either of a given set or of another set *set1*, but not of both, and places all of those elements in a third set. All elements of the newly determined set are then placed in set *resultSet*. The receiving-object set and *set1* remain unchanged.

### Syntax

```
void somfXorSS(
    in somf_TSet set1,
    in somf_TSet resultSet);
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class `somf_TSet`.

**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

**set1** A pointer to the set that the receiving object will be compared against.

**resultSet** A pointer to the set containing the results of the operation.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
somf_TSet s1;
somf_TSet s2;
somf_TSet s3;
Environment *ev;
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();
s1 = somf_TSetNew();
s2 = somf_TSetNew();
s3 = somf_TSetNew();
/* Find the exclusive or of s1 and s2, and put it in s3 */
_somfXorSS(s1, ev, s2, s3);
_somFree (s1);
_somFree (s2);
_somFree (s3);
```



## Original Class

somf\_TSet

## Related Information

somfXorS



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## Chapter 22. somf\_TSetIterator Class

The somf\_TSetIterator class defines an iterator for the somf\_TSet Class that will iterate over all of the objects in a set.

### Member Name:

tsetitr

### Import Name:

GOSSOMUC

### Base Class:

somf\_TIterator

### Metaclass:

SOMClass

### Ancestor Classes:

somf\_TIterator  
SOMObject

### Subclasses:

None.

### Types:

None.

### Attributes:

None.

### New Methods:

somfTSetIteratorInit

### Overriding Methods:

somDestruct  
somfNext  
somfFirst  
somfRemove

---

## somfFirst Method

### Purpose

Resets the iterator and returns the first element of a set. `somfFirst` resets the iterator to the beginning of the set even if other operations on the collection cause the iterator to be invalidated. In the second case, the method revalidates the iterator.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. `somfFirst` is a method name declared in multiple parents. You will probably have to fully qualify the method name. This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you can referenced this method as:

```
itr->somfFirst(ev);
```

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfFirst ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_TSetIterator`.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MCollectible**     A pointer to the first `somf_MCollectible` object in the set.  
**SOMF\_NIL**     Is returned if the collection is empty.

### Example

```

sopf_TSet s;
Environment *ev;
sopf_TSetIterator itr;
sopf_MCollectible itrobj;
ev = somf_GetGlobalEnvironment();
s = somf_TSetNew();
itr = somf_TSetIteratorNew();
_sopfTSetIteratorInit(itr, ev, s);
/* Add some object to s */
/* Iterate through the TSet */
itrobj = somf_TSetIterator_sopfFirst(itr, ev);
while (itrobj != SOMF_NIL)
{
    /* Do something with itrobj */
    itrobj = _sopfNext(itr, ev);
}
_sopfFree (s);
_sopfFree (itr);

```

## Original Class

sopf\_TIterator

## Related Information

sopfNext

---

## somfNext Method

### Purpose

Gets the next object in a set. Objects are retrieved in an order reflecting the "ordered-ness" of the set (or the lack of ordering on the set elements).

If the `somf_TSet` Class collection has changed (other than through the use of the `somfRemove` Method of this iterator) since the last time the `somfFirst` Method was called, the iterator becomes invalid and will fail if asked to find the next object. For example, if the collection's `somfAdd` Method were called after starting to iterate through the collection, the iterator then would not allow iteration to continue. The iterator must be reset, and the easiest way to do that is to call the iterator's `somfFirst` method and start over.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. Thus, if any child of `somf_TIterator` is used with a child of `somf_TPrimitiveLinkedListIterator`, then the name of the method will have to be fully qualified (example: `somf_TSetIterator_somfNext`). This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
itr->somfNext(ev);
```

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfNext ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_TSetIterator`.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MCollectible**     A pointer to the next `somf_MCollectible` object in the set.  
**SOMF\_NIL**     The end of the set has been reached.

### Example

```

sopf_TSet s;
Environment *ev;
sopf_TSetIterator itr;
sopf_MCollectible itrobj;
ev = somf_GetGlobalEnvironment();
s = somf_TSetNew();
itr = somf_TSetIteratorNew();
_sopf_TSetIteratorInit(itr, ev, s);
/* Add some object to s */
/* Iterate through the TSet */
itrobj = somf_TSetIterator_sopf_First(itr, ev);
while (itrobj != SOMF_NIL)
{
    /* Do something with itrobj */
    itrobj = _sopf_Next(itr, ev);
}
_sopf_Free (s);
_sopf_Free (itr);

```

## Original Class

sopf\_TIterator

## Related Information

sopf\_First

---

## somfRemove Method

### Purpose

Removes the current object, the one just returned by `somfFirst` or `somfNext`, from a set.

This method is the only way to remove an object from a set during iteration. However, if multiple iterators are in process, all other iterators are invalidated, just as if some other kind of change had occurred in the collection.

If the collection has changed since the last time `somfFirst` was called (other than through the use of the `somfRemove` method of this iterator), this method will fail.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. `somfRemove` is a method name declared in multiple parents (example: `somf_TCollection`, `somf_THashTable`, `somf_TIterator`). You will probably have to fully qualify the method name. This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
itr->somfRemove(ev);
```

### Syntax

```
void somfRemove ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_TSetIterator`.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example



```
somf_TSet s;  
Environment *ev;  
somf_TSetIterator itr;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
s = somf_TSetNew();  
itr = somf_TSetIteratorNew();  
_somfTSetIteratorInit(itr, ev, s);  
/* Remove the first object in s */  
/* Iterate through the TSet */  
somf_TSetIterator_somfFirst(itr, ev);  
somf_TSetIterator_somfRemove(itr, ev);  
_somFree (s);  
_somFree (itr);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TIterator

## Related Information

None.

---

## somfTSetIteratorInit Method

### Purpose

Initializes somf\_TSetIterator object, establishing it as the iterator for a given somf\_TSet set.

This is one of two ways to initialize a somf\_TSetIterator to point to an instance of a somf\_TSet set. The other way is to use the somf\_TSet class's somfCreateIterator Method.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
somf_TSetIterator  
somfTSetIteratorInit(  
    in somf_TSet h);
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class somf\_TSetIterator.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**h**              A pointer to the set that the receiving object will iterate over.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to an initialized somf\_TSetIterator object.

### Example

```
somf_TSet s;  
Environment *ev;  
somf_TSetIterator itr;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
s = somf_TSetNew();  
itr = somf_TSetIteratorNew();  
_somfTSetIteratorInit(itr, ev, s);  
_somFree (s);  
_somFree (itr);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TSetIterator

## Related Information

None.



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## Chapter 23. somf\_TSortedSequence Class

The somf\_TSortedSequence class is a child of the somf\_TSequence class. Ordering of objects in a sorted sequence collection is based on how the objects relate to each other, ranging from largest to smallest. Any object in the somf\_TSortedSequence "IsGreaterThan" or "IsEqualTo" the object behind it, and "IsLessThan" or "IsEqualTo" the element in front of it.

Note: Do not be misled by the interface of methods in this class, many of which are overridden from the somf\_TSequence or somf\_TCollection. All objects placed into a somf\_TSortedSequence collection must be instances of the somf\_MOrderableCollectible. If you attempt to add a somf\_MCollectible object to a sorted sequence, the class method will abend.

All somf\_MOrderableCollectible objects inserted into a somf\_TSortedSequence collection should override somfIsEqual, somfIsLessThan, somfIsGreaterThan and somfHash.

The somf\_TSortedSequence class uses somfIsEqual to compare objects in the collection. You cannot override or change this to the somfIsSame.

### Member Name:

tss

### Import Name:

GOSSOMUC

### Base Class:

somf\_TSequence

### Metaclass:

SOMClass

### Ancestor Classes:

somf\_TSequence  
somf\_TCollection  
somf\_MCollectible  
SOMObject

### Subclasses:

None.

### Types:

None.

### Attributes:

None.

**New Methods:**

somfAssign  
somfCreateSequenceIterator  
somfCreateSortedSequenceNode  
somfGetSequencingFunction  
somfSetSequencingFunction  
somfTSortedSequenceInitF  
somfTSortedSequenceInitS

**Overriding Methods;**

somDefaultInit  
somDestruct  
somfAdd  
somfAfter  
somfBefore  
somfCount  
somfCreateIterator  
somfDeleteAll  
somfFirst  
somfLast  
somfMember  
somfOccurrencesOf  
somfRemove  
somfRemoveAll

---

## somfAdd Method

### Purpose

Adds an obj to a sorted sequence.

Notice that the somfAdd method does not include an argument specifying where to add the object, because the sequence will be ordered based on how the elements relate to each other.

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfAdd(  
    in somf_MCollectible obj);
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class somf\_TSortedSequence  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**obj**             A pointer to an somf\_MCollectible that will be added to this instance.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to the somf\_MCollectible object added.

### Example

```
somf_TSortedSequence ss;  
<Your class inheriting from somf_MOrderableCollectible> obj;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
ss = somf_TSortedSequenceNew();  
obj =  
    <Your class inheriting from somf_MOrderableCollectible>New();  
/* Add obj to ss */  
_somfAdd(ss, ev, obj);  
_somFree (ss);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TCollection

## Related Information

None.



---

## somfAfter Method

### Purpose

Gets the object found after a given object in a sorted sequence.

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfAfter(  
    in somf_MCollectible obj);
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TSortedSequence.  
**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**obj** A pointer to the somf\_MCollectible object that precedes the returned *obj*.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MCollectible**

A pointer to the somf\_MCollectible object after *obj*.

**SOMF\_NIL** The designated *obj* is the last object in this collection, or not found.

### Example

```
somf_TSortedSequence ss;  
<Your class inheriting from somf_MOrderableCollectible> obj;  
<Your class inheriting from somf_MOrderableCollectible> objptr;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
ss = somf_TSortedSequenceNew();  
obj = <Your class that inherits from \n  
somf_MOrderableCollectible>New();  
/* Determine what object comes after obj */  
objptr =  
    (<Your class inheriting from somf_MOrderableCollectible>*)  
    _somfAfter(ss, ev, obj);  
_somFree (ss);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TSortedSequence (overridden here)

## Related Information

somfBefore  
somfFirst  
somfLast

---

## somfAssign Method

### Purpose

Assigns a sorted sequence as equal to a given source sorted sequence. That is, the method sets or resets the instance variables of the receiver to the values of the source. This operation is logically equivalent to using the equals (=) operator.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. Thus, if any child of `somf_TSortedSequence` is used with any other main collection class, then the name of the method will have to be fully qualified (example: `somf_TSortedSequence_somfAssign`). This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as

```
d->somfAssign(ev, d2);
```

### Syntax

```
void somfAssign(  
    in somf_TSortedSequences);
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_TSortedSequence`.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**s**                A pointer to the sorted sequence to which the receiver will be equal.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
somf_TSortedSequence s1;  
somf_TSortedSequence s2;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
s1 = somf_TSortedSequenceNew();  
s2 = somf_TSortedSequenceNew();  
/* Add som objects to s1 */  
/* Assign s2 = s1 */  
somf_TSortedSequence_somfAssign(s2, ev, s1);  
_somFree (s1);  
_somFree (s2);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TSortedSequence

## Related Information

None.

---

## somfBefore Method

### Purpose

Returns the object found before a given object in a sorted sequence.

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfBefore(  
    in somf_MCollectible obj);
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TSortedSequence.  
**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**obj** A pointer to the somf\_MCollectible object that is behind the returned *obj*.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MCollectible** A pointer to the somf\_MCollectible object that precedes *obj*.  
**SOMF\_NIL** The designated *obj* is the first object in the sequence, or not found.

### Example

```
somf_TSortedSequence ss;  
<Your class inheriting from somf_MOrderableCollectible> obj;  
<Your class inheriting from somf_MOrderableCollectible> objptr;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
ss = somf_TSortedSequenceNew();  
obj =  
    <Your class inheriting from somf_MOrderableCollectible>New();  
/* Determine what object comes before obj */  
objptr =  
    (<Your class inheriting from somf_MOrderableCollectible>*)  
    _somfBefore(ss, ev, obj);  
_somFree (ss);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TSequence

## Related Information

somfAfter  
somfFirst  
somfLast

---

## somfCount Method

### Purpose

The somfCount method determines the number of objects in the sorted sequence given as the receiving object, and returns that number.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. Thus, if any child of somf\_TCollection is used with a child of somf\_THashTable, then the name of the method will have to be fully qualified (for example, somf\_TDictionary\_somfCount). This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
d->somfCount(ev);
```

### Syntax

```
long somfCount ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class somf\_TSorted Sequence.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns the number of objects in this sorted sequence.

### Example

```
somf_TSortedSequence ss;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
ss = somf_TSortedSequenceNew();  
somPrintf("\n Count of ss= %d\n", _somfCount(ss,ev));  
_somFree (ss);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TCollection (overridden here)

### Related Information

None.

---

## somfCreateliterator Method

### Purpose

Returns a new iterator that is suitable for iterating over the objects in a sorted sequence.

**Note:** This is one of three ways to initialize a `somf_TSortedSequenceIterator` to point to an instance of a `somf_TSortedSequence`. One other way is to use the `initializer` method of the `somf_TSortedSequenceIterator` class. The final way is to use the `somf_TSortedSequence` class's `somfCreateSequenceIterator` method.

### Syntax

```
somf_TIterator somfCreateliterator ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_TSortedSequence`.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to the new iterator.

### Example

```
somf_TSortedSequence ss;  
Environment *ev;  
somf_TSortedSequenceIterator itr;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
ss = somf_TSortedSequenceNew();  
itr = (somf_TSortedSequenceIterator*) _somfCreateIterator(ss, ev);  
_somFree (ss);  
_somFree (itr);
```

### Original Class

`somf_TCollection`

### Related Information

`somfCreateSequenceIterator`



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## somfCreateSequenceliterator Method

### Purpose

Returns a new iterator that is suitable for iterating over the objects in a sorted sequence.

**Note:** This is one of three ways to initialize a `somf_TSortedSequenceliterator` Class to point to an instance of a `somf_TSortedSequence`. One other way is to use the initializer method for the `somf_TSortedSequenceliterator` class. The final way is to use the `somf_TSortedSequence` class's `somfCreateliterator`.

This method is virtually identical to the `somfCreateliterator` method; thus, you could use either one. The only difference between the methods is the indicated type of their return value: the current method returns a `somf_TSortedSequenceliterator` object, whereas the `somfCreateliterator` method returns a `somf_TIterator` object. In reality, however, both methods return an instance of a `somf_TSortedSequenceliterator` that has been typed correctly.

### Syntax

```
somf_TSequenceliterator  
somfCreateSequenceliterator ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_TSortedSequence`.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to the new sorted-sequence iterator.

### Example

```
somf_TSortedSequence ss;  
Environment *ev;  
somf_TSortedSequenceIterator itr;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
ss = somf_TSortedSequenceNew();  
itr = (somf_TSortedSequenceIterator*)  
                                  _somfCreateSequenceIterator(ss,ev);  
_somFree (ss);  
_somFree (itr);
```

## Original Class

`somf_TSortedSequence`

## Related Information

`somfCreateliterator`

---

## somfCreateSortedSequenceNode Method

### Purpose

Creates a new `somf_TSortedSequenceNode` in a `somf_TSortedSequence` collection, given a key to the new node and its left and right children. The method call also specifies a `somf_MOrderableCollectible` object to be used as the key to the new node, as well as two `somf_TSortedSequenceNode` objects to be used as the left and right children of the new node.

If you create a new class that inherits from the `somf_TSortedSequence` class, you might consider overriding this method in order to customize how an instance of your new class creates a new node.

### Syntax

```
somf_TSortedSequenceNode
somfCreateSortedSequenceNode(
    in somf_TSortedSequenceNode n1,
    in somf_MOrderableCollectible
    obj,
    in somf_TSortedSequenceNode n2);
```

### Parameters

- |                 |   |
|-----------------|---|
| <b>receiver</b> | A pointer to an object of class <code>somf_TSortedSequence</code> .                   |
| <b>ev</b>       | A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.                        |
| <b>n1</b>       | A pointer to the left child of the new <code>somf_TSortedSequenceNode</code> object.  |
| <b>ob</b>       | A pointer to the key of the new <code>somf_TSortedSequenceNode</code> object.         |
| <b>n2</b>       | A pointer to the right child of the new <code>somf_TSortedSequenceNode</code> object. |

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to the new `somf_TSortedSequenceNode` created.

### Example

None.

## Original Class

somf\_TSortedSequence

## Related Information

None.

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## somfDeleteAll Method

### Purpose

Removes all objects from a sorted sequence and deallocates the storage that these objects might have owned. The destructor function is called for each object in the collection.

Be careful with `somfDeleteAll`. Since a collection only contains pointers to objects (rather than the objects themselves), `somfDeleteAll` can cause a problem if a pointer to an object appears more than once. For example, if multiple pointers to "A" exists, or if a single pointer to "A" is in the collection multiple times, the behavior of the code is undefined, because it will try to delete "A" multiple times. If you think there is a chance that an object could appear in the collection more than once, you should consider using `somfRemoveAll` Method to remove the objects from the collection and deleting them some other way.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. Thus, if any child of `somf_TCollection` is used with `somf_THashTable`, then the name of the method will have to be fully qualified (example: `somf_TDictionary_somfDeleteAll`). This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
d->somfDeleteAll(ev);
```

### Syntax

```
void somfDeleteAll ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_TSortedSequence`.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
somf_TSortedSequence ss;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
ss = somf_TSortedSequenceNew();  
/* Remove all the objects from ss AND DELETE THEM */  
somf_TSortedSequence_somfDeleteAll(ss,ev);  
_somFree (ss);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TCollection

## Related Information

None.

---

## somfFirst Method

### Purpose

Gets the first object in a sorted sequence.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. `somfFirst` is a method name declared in multiple parents (for example: `somf_TSequence`, `somf_TIterator`.). You will probably have to fully qualify the name of the method (for example: `somf_TSortedSequence_somfFirst`). This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
seq->somfFirst(ev);
```

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfFirst ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_TSortedSequence`.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MCollectible**     A pointer to the first `somf_MCollectible` object in the sorted sequence.  
**SOMF\_NIL**     Nothing is in the collection.

### Example

```
somf_TSortedSequence ss;  
Environment *ev;  
somf_MOrderableCollectible obj;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
ss = somf_TSortedSequenceNew();  
/* Determine the first object in ss */  
obj = somf_TSortedSequence_somfFirst(ss,ev);  
_somFree (ss);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TSequence (overridden here)

## Related Information

somfAfter  
somfBefore  
somfLast



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## somfGetSequencingFunction Method

### Purpose

Gets a pointer to the function used to compare objects in a sorted sequence, and consequently determines the sequence of the collection. This consequently reveals the sequence of the collection.

### Syntax

```
somf_MBetterOrderableCompareFn  
somfGetSequencingFunction ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class somf\_TSortedSequence.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to the compare method used by this somf\_TSortedSequence object.

### Example

```
somf_TSortedSequence ss;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somf_GetGlobalEnvironment();  
ss = somf_TSortedSequenceNew();  
if (_somfGetSequencingFunction(ss, ev) !=  
    somf_MOrderableCollectibleClassData.somfCompare)  
{  
    somf_Printf("\n What Compare Function are we using?\n");  
}  
_somfFree (ss);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TSortedSequence

### Related Information

somfSetSequencingFunction

---

## somfLast Method

### Purpose

Gets the last object in a sorted sequence.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. `somfLast` is a method name declared in multiple parents (for example: `somf_TSequenceIterator`, `somf_TSequence`). You will probably have to fully qualify the name of the method (for example, `somf_TSortedSequence_somfLast`). This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
seq->somfLast(ev);
```

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfLast ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_TSortedSequence`.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MCollectible**     A pointer to the last `somf_MCollectible` object in the collection.  
**SOMF\_NIL**     Nothing is in the collection.

### Example

```
somf_TSortedSequence ss;  
Environment *ev;  
somf_MOrderableCollectible obj;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
ss = somf_TSortedSequenceNew();  
/* Determine the last object in ss */  
obj = somf_TSortedSequence_somfLast(ss, ev);  
_somFree (ss);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TSequence

## Related Information

somfAfter  
somfBefore  
somfFirst

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## somfMember Method

### Purpose

Gets an object in a sorted sequence.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. If any child of `somf_TCollection` is used with `somf_THashTable`, then the name of the method will have to be fully qualified, so the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
d->somfMember(ev, obj);
```

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfMember(  
    in somf_MCollectible obj);
```

### Parameters

- receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_TSortedSequence`.
- ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
- obj**            A pointer to the `somf_MCollectible` object that may be a member.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

- somf\_MCollectible**     A pointer to the object the method determined as a member.
- SOMF\_NIL**     The object was not found.

### Example

```
somf_TSortedSequence ss;  
<Your Class inheriting from somf_MOrderableCollectible> obj;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
ss = somf_TSortedSequenceNew();  
obj =  
    <Your Class inheriting from somf_MOrderableCollectible>New();  
_somfAdd(ss, ev, obj);  
if (_somfMember(ss, ev, obj) != SOMF_NIL)  
    somPrintf("\n obj is a Member\n");  
else  
    somPrintf("\n ERROR: obj should be a Member\n");  
_somfFree (ss);  
_somfFree (obj);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TCollection

## Related Information

somfOccurrencesOf

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## somfOccurrencesOf Method

### Purpose

Determines the number of times an object is in a sorted sequence.

### Syntax

```
long somfOccurrencesOf(  
    in somf_MCollectible obj);
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TSortedSequence  
**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**obj** A pointer to the somf\_MCollectible to look for in the collection.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns the number of times obj occurs in the sorted sequence.

### Example

```
somf_TSortedSequence ss;  
<Your Class which inherits from somf_MOrderableCollectible> obj;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
ss = somf_TSortedSequenceNew();  
obj = <Your Class which inherits from  
        somf_MOrderableCollectible>New();  
somPrintf("\n There are %d OccurrencesOf obj\n",  
        _somfOccurrencesOf(ss, ev, obj));  
_somFree (ss);  
_somFree (obj);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TSequence

### Related Information

somfMember

---

## somfRemove Method

### Purpose

Removes an object from a sorted sequence.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. `somfRemove` is a method name declared in multiple parents. You will probably have to fully qualify the method name. This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
d->somfRemove(ev, obj);
```

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfRemove(  
    in somf_MCollectible obj);
```

### Parameters

- receiver** A pointer to an object of class `somf_TSortedSequence`.
- ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
- obj** A pointer to the `somf_MCollectible` object to be removed from the collection.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

There are two possible valid return values for this method:

**somf\_MCollectible**

A pointer to the object that was actually removed.

**SOMF\_NIL** The specified object was not found.

### Example

```
somf_TSortedSequence ss;  
<Your Class which inherits from somf_MOrderableCollectible> obj;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
ss = somf_TSortedSequenceNew();  
obj = <Your Class which inherits from  
        somf_MOrderableCollectible>New();  
/* Remove obj from ss */  
somf_TSortedSequence_somfRemove(ss, ev, obj);  
_somFree (ss);  
_somFree (obj);
```

## Original Class

somf\_TCollection

## Related Information

**somf\_MCollectible**

somfRemoveAll



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## somfRemoveAll Method

### Purpose

Removes all of the objects from a sorted sequence.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. Thus, if any child of somf\_TCollection is used with somf\_THashTable, then the name of the method will have to be fully qualified. This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
d->somfRemoveAll(ev);
```

### Syntax

```
void somfRemoveAll ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class somf\_TSortedSequence.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
somf_TSortedSequence ss;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
ss = somf_TSortedSequenceNew();  
/* Remove all the objects from ss */  
somf_TSortedSequence_somfRemoveAll(ss, ev);  
_somFree (ss);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TCollection

### Related Information

somfRemove

---

## somfSetSequencingFunction Method

### Purpose

Sets a pointer to the method used to compare objects in a sorted sequence, and consequently determines the sequence of the collection. This consequently determines the sequence of the collection.

### Syntax

```
void somfSetSequencingFunction(  
    in somf_MBetterOrderableCompareFn  
    fn);
```

### Parameters

- receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TSortedSequence.
- ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
- fn** A pointer to the compare method that will be used by this somf\_TSortedSequence object.

This should always be set to:

```
somf_MOrderableCollectibleClassData.somfCompare.
```

This specification is necessary because SOM needs a pointer to the original declaration of the method, which resides in somf\_MOrderableCollectible Class. The somf\_TSortedSequence object will use this pointer to access the somfCompare Method that was declared and defined in the object being inserted into, or removed from, the somf\_TSortedSequence object.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```
somf_TSortedSequence ss;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
ss = somf_TSortedSequenceNew();  
_somfSetSequencingFunction(ss, ev,  
    somf_MOrderableCollectibleClassData.somfCompare);  
_somFree (ss);
```

## Original Class

`somf_TSortedSequence`

## Related Information

`somfGetSequencingFunction`

---

## somfTSortedSequenceInitF Method

### Purpose

Initializes a new sorted sequence, given the comparison method that it will use.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
somf_TSortedSequence  
somfTSortedSequenceInitF(  
    in somf_MBetterOrderableCompareFn  
    testfn);
```

### Parameters

- receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TSortedSequence.
- ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
- testfn** A pointer to the compare method that will be used by this somf\_TSortedSequence object.

This should always be set to:

```
somf_MOrderableCollectibleClassData.somfCompare.
```

This specification is necessary because SOM needs a pointer to the original declaration of the method, which resides in somf\_MOrderableCollectible Class. The somf\_TSortedSequence object will use this pointer to access the somfCompare Method that was declared and defined in the object being inserted into, or removed from, the somf\_TSortedSequence object.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to an initialized somf\_TSortedSequence object.

### Example

```
somf_TSortedSequence s1;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
s1 = somf_TSortedSequenceNew();  
_somfTSortedSequenceInitF(s1, ev,  
    somf_MOrderableCollectibleClassData.somfCompare);  
_somFree (s1);
```

## Original Class

`somf_TSortedSequence`

## Related Information

`somfTSortedSequenceInitS`

---

## somfTSortedSequenceInitS Method

### Purpose

Initializes a new sorted sequence, setting it equal to another given sorted sequence. The method sets the new sorted sequence equal to a specified source sorted sequence.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
somf_TSortedSequence  
somfTSortedSequenceInitS(  
    in somf_TSortedSequences);
```

### Parameters

- receiver**     A pointer to an object of class somf\_TSortedSequence.
- ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
- s**               A pointer to the somf\_TSortedSequence object to which the new sorted sequence will be equal.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to an initialized somf\_TSortedSequence object.

### Example

```
somf_TSortedSequence s1;  
somf_TSortedSequence s2;  
Environment *ev;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
s1 = somf_TSortedSequenceNew();  
s2 = somf_TSortedSequenceNew();  
_somfTSortedSequenceInitS(s2, ev, s1);  
_somFree (s1);  
_somFree (s2);
```

### Original Class

somf\_TSortedSequence

## Related Information

`somfTSortedSequenceInitF`





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## Chapter 24. somf\_TSortedSequenceliterator Class

This class defines an iterator for the somf\_TSortedSequence Class that will iterate over all of the objects in a sorted sequence.

**Member Name:**

tssitr

**Import Name:**

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**Base Class:**

somf\_TSequenceliterator

**Metaclass:**

SOMClass

**Ancestor Classes:**

somf\_TSequenceliterator  
somf\_TIterator  
SOMObject

**Subclasses:**

None.

**Types:**

None.

**Attributes:**

None.

**New Methods:**

somfStartHere  
somfTSortedSequenceliteratorInit

**Overriding Methods:**

somfFirst  
somfLast  
somfNext  
somfPrevious  
somfRemove

---

## somfFirst Method

### Purpose

Resets the iterator and returns the first object of a sorted sequence. The method returns the first object of the `somf_TSortedSequence` collection that corresponds to the specified iterator.

This method resets the iterator to the beginning of the sorted sequence even when other operations on the collection cause the iterator to be invalidated. In the second case, this method revalidates the iterator.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. `somfFirst` is a method name declared in multiple parents. You will probably have to fully qualify the name of the method. This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
itr->somfFirst(ev);
```

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfFirst ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class `somf_TSortedSequenceIterator`.  
**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MCollectible** A pointer to the first `somf_MCollectible` object in the sorted sequence  
**SOMF\_NIL** Is returned if the collection is empty.

### Example

```

somf_TSortedSequence ss;
Environment *ev;
somf_TSortedSequenceIterator itr;
<Your class inheriting from somf_MOrderableCollectible> itrobj;
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();
ss = somf_TSortedSequenceNew();
itr = somf_TSortedSequenceIteratorNew();
_somfTSortedSequenceIteratorInit(itr, ev, ss);
/* Iterate through the TSortedSequence */
itrobj =
    (<Your class that inherits from somf_MOrderableCollectible>*)
    somf_TSortedSequenceIterator_somfFirst(itr, ev);
while (itrobj != SOMF_NIL)
/* Do something with itrobj */
{itrobj =
    (<Your class inheriting from somf_MOrderableCollectible>*)
    _somfNext(itr, ev);}
_somFree (ss);
_somFree (itr);

```

## Original Class

somf\_TIterator

## Related Information

somfNext  
somfStartHere

---

## somfLast Method

### Purpose

Gets the last object in a sorted sequence.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. `somfLast` is a method name declared in multiple parents (for example: `somf_TSequenceIterator`, `somf_TSequence`). You will probably have to fully qualify the name of the method. This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
itr->somfLast(ev);
```

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfLast ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class `somf_TSortedSequenceIterator`.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MCollectible**

A pointer to the last `somf_MCollectible` object in the sorted sequence.

**SOMF\_NIL**     Is returned if the collection is empty.

### Example

```
somf_TSortedSequence ss;  
Environment *ev;  
somf_TSortedSequenceIterator itr;  
<Your class inheriting from somf_MOrderableCollectible> itrobj;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
ss = somf_TSortedSequenceNew();  
itr = somf_TSortedSequenceIteratorNew();  
_somfTSortedSequenceIteratorInit(itr, ev, ss);  
/* Go to the last object in ss */  
itrobj =  
    (<Your class which inherits from somf_MOrderableCollectible>*)  
    somf_TSortedSequenceIterator_somfLast(itr, ev);  
_somFree (ss);  
_somFree (itr);
```

## Original Class

`somf_TSequenceIterator` (overridden here)

## Related Information

`somfPrevious`

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## somfNext Method

### Purpose

Gets the next object in a sorted sequence. Objects are retrieved in an order that reflects the "ordered-ness" of the sorted sequence (or the lack of ordering on the sorted sequence objects).

If the `somf_TSortedSequence` collection has changed since the last time the `somfFirst` method was called, the iterator becomes invalid and will fail if asked to find the next object. For example, if the collection's `somfAdd` method were called after starting to iterate through the collection, the iterator then would not allow iteration to continue. The iterator must be reset, and the easiest way to do that is to call the iterator's `somfFirst` method and start over.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. Thus, if any child of `somf_TIterator` is used with a child of `somf_TPrimitiveLinkedListIterator`, then the name of the method will have to be fully qualified. This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
itr->somfNext(ev);
```

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfNext ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class `somf_TSortedSequenceIterator`.  
**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MCollectible** A pointer to the next `somf_MCollectible` object in the sorted sequence.  
**SOMF\_NIL** The end of the collection has been reached.

### Example

```

sopf_TSortedSequence ss;
Environment *ev;
sopf_TSortedSequenceIterator itr;
<Your class inheriting from somf_MOrderableCollectible> itrobj;
ev = somf_GetGlobalEnvironment();
ss = somf_TSortedSequenceNew();
itr = somf_TSortedSequenceIteratorNew();
_sopf_TSortedSequenceIteratorInit(itr, ev, ss);
/* Iterate through the TSortedSequence */
itrobj =
    (<Your class inheriting from somf_MOrderableCollectible>*)
    somf_TSortedSequenceIterator_sopf_First(itr, ev);
while (itrobj != SOMF_NIL)
{
    /* Do something with itrobj */
    itrobj =
        (<Your class inheriting from somf_MOrderableCollectible>*)
        _sopf_Next(itr, ev);
}
_sopf_Free (ss);
_sopf_Free (itr);

```

## Original Class

sopf\_TIterator

## Related Information

sopf\_First  
sopf\_StartHere

---

## somfPrevious Method

### Purpose

Gets the previous object in a sorted sequence.

If the `somf_TSortedSequence` collection has changed since `somfLast` was called, the iterator becomes invalid and will fail if asked to find the previous object. If the collection's `somfAdd` method were called after starting to iterate through the collection, the iterator then would not allow iteration to continue. The iterator must be reset. The easiest way is to call the iterator's `somfLast` method and restart.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. If any child of `somf_TSequenceIterator` is used with `somf_TPrimitiveLinkedListIterator`, the name of the method will have to be fully qualified, so the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you can referenced this method as:

```
itr->somfPrevious(ev);
```

### Syntax

```
somf_MCollectible somfPrevious ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class `somf_TSortedSequenceIterator`.  
**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MCollectible** A pointer to the previous object in the sorted sequence collection.  
**SOMF\_NIL** The beginning of the collection has been reached.

### Example



```

somf_TSortedSequence ss;
Environment *ev;
somf_TSortedSequenceIterator itr;
<Your class inheriting from somf_MOrderableCollectible> itrobj;
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();
ss = somf_TSortedSequenceNew();
itr = somf_TSortedSequenceIteratorNew();
_somfTSortedSequenceIteratorInit(itr, ev, ss);
/* Go to the next to the last object in ss */
somf_TSortedSequenceIterator_somfLast(itr, ev);
itrobj =
    (<Your class which inherits from somf_MOrderableCollectible>*)
    _somfPrevious(itr, ev);
_somFree (ss);
_somFree (itr);

```

## Original Class

somf\_TSortedSequenceIterator (overridden here)

## Related Information

somfLast

---

## somfRemove Method

### Purpose

Removes the current object just returned by a previous method from a sorted sequence.

somfRemove is the only way to remove an object from a sorted sequence during iteration. However, if multiple iterators are in process, all other iterators are invalidated, just as if some other kind of change had occurred in the sorted sequence.

If the collection has changed (other than through the use of somfRemove of this iterator) since the last time somfFirst or somfLast was called, this method will fail.

C cannot handle methods from different classes having the same name when they inherit the name from different parents. somfRemove is a method name declared in multiple parents. You will probably have to fully qualify the method name. This is the only way the linker can tell them apart. This is not a problem in C++. In C++ you could have referenced this method as:

```
itr->somfRemove(ev);
```

### Syntax

```
void somfRemove ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class somf\_TSortedSequenceIterator.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

```

sopf_TSortedSequence ss;
Environment *ev;
sopf_TSortedSequenceIterator itr;
<Your class inheriting from somf_MOrderableCollectible> itrobj;
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();
ss = somf_TSortedSequenceNew();
itr = somf_TSortedSequenceIteratorNew();
_sopfTSortedSequenceIteratorInit(itr, ev, ss);
/* Use the Iterator's Remove to remove the next to last object */
itrobj =
    (<Your class which inherits from somf_MOrderableCollectible>*)
        somf_TSortedSequenceIterator_sopfLast(itr, ev);
itrobj =
    (<Your class which inherits from somf_MOrderableCollectible>*)
        _sopfPrevious(itr, ev);
sopf_TSortedSequenceIterator_sopfRemove(itr, ev);
_sopfFree (ss);
_sopfFree (itr);

```

## Original Class

sopf\_TIterator

## Related Information

None.

---

## somfStartHere Method

### Purpose

Begins Iterating through a somf\_TSortedSequence Class, starting at a given object. Iteration begins at the given object.

### Syntax

```
somf_MOrderableCollectible  
somfStartHere(  
    in  
    somf_MOrderableCollectible obj);
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TSortedSequenceIterator.  
**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**obj** A pointer to the somf\_MOrderableCollectible object where iteration will begin.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

**somf\_MCollectible** A pointer to the somf\_MCollectible object where iteration started  
**SOMF\_NIL** Is returned if the collection is empty.

### Example

```

sopf_TSortedSequence ss;
Environment *ev;
sopf_TSortedSequenceIterator itr;
<Your class inheriting from somf_MOrderableCollectible> obj;
<Your class inheriting from somf_MOrderableCollectible> itrobj;
ev = somf_GetGlobalEnvironment();
ss = somf_TSortedSequenceNew();
obj = <Your Class that inherits from \n
sopf_MOrderableCollectible>New();
itr = somf_TSortedSequenceIteratorNew();
_sopf_TSortedSequenceIteratorInit(itr, ev, ss);
/* Iterate through the TSortedSequence starting at obj */
itrobj =
    (<Your class which inherits from somf_MOrderableCollectible>*)
    _sopf_StartHere(itr, ev, obj);
while (itrobj != SOMF_NIL)
{
    /* Do something with itrobj */
    itrobj =
        (<Your class inheriting from somf_MOrderableCollectible>*)
        _sopf_Next(itr, ev);
}
_sopf_Free (ss);
_sopf_Free (itr);

```

## Original Class

sopf\_TSortedSequenceIterator

## Related Information

sopfFirst  
sopfNext

---

## somfTSortedSequenceIteratorInit Method

### Purpose

Initializes a new somf\_TSortedSequenceIterator object, given the collection of class somf\_TSortedSequence Class over which it will iterate.

This is one of three ways to initialize a somf\_TSortedSequenceIterator to point to an instance of a somf\_TSortedSequence. The other two ways are:

- to use the somf\_TSortedSequence class's somfCreateSequenceIterator method.
- to use somf\_TSortedSequence's somfCreateIterator Method.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
somf_TSortedSequenceIterator  
somfTSortedSequenceIteratorInit(  
    in somf_TSortedSequence h);
```

### Parameters

- receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TSortedSequenceIterator.
- ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
- h** A pointer to the sorted sequence that the receiving object will iterate over.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to an initialized somf\_TSortedSequenceIterator object.

### Example

```
somf_TSortedSequence ss;  
Environment *ev;  
somf_TSortedSequenceIterator itr;  
ev = somGetGlobalEnvironment();  
ss = somf_TSortedSequenceNew();  
itr = somf_TSortedSequenceIteratorNew();  
_somfTSortedSequenceIteratorInit(itr, ev, ss);  
_somFree (ss);  
_somFree (itr);
```

## Original Class

some\_TSortedSequenceIterator

## Related Information

None.





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## Chapter 25. somf\_TSortedSequenceNode Class

The somf\_TSortedSequenceNode class defines a node in a tree. Objects inserted into a node must be of the somf\_MOrderableCollectible Class. Each node contains a key and links to a left child and a right child. An object of class somf\_TSortedSequenceNode is used by the somf\_TSortedSequence Class

somf\_TSortedSequenceNode class and methods are for creating a new class that:

- needs linkable nodes between objects of the class
- inherits from somf\_TSortedSequence, and it would be appropriate to override some methods of the somf\_TSortedSequence class to define additional functionality for those methods.

This class is not thread-safe.

This class is reentrant.

### Member Name:

tssnode

### Import Name:

GOSSOMUC

### Base Class:

SOMObject

### Metaclass:

SOMClass

### Ancestor Classes:

SOMObject

### Subclasses:

None.

### Types:

None.

### Attributes:

None.

### New Methods:

somfGetLeftChild  
somfGetRightChild  
somfGetParent

somfGetKey  
somfGetRed  
somfSetParent  
somfSetLeftChild  
somfSetRightChild  
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somfSetRed  
somfSetRedOn  
somfTSortedSequenceNodeInitTMT  
somfTSortedSequenceNodeInitTM  
somfTSortedSequenceNodeInitT

**Overriding Methods:**

somDefaultInit

---

## somfGetKey Method

### Purpose

Gets the key to a node.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
somf_MOrderableCollectible  
somfGetKey ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TSortedSequenceNode.

**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to the somf\_MOrderableCollectible key.

### Original Class

somf\_TSortedSequenceNode

### Related Information

somfSetKey

---

## somfGetLeftChild Method

### Purpose

Gets the left child of a node.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
somf_TSortedSequenceNode  
somfGetLeftChild();
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TSortedSequenceNode.

**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to the left child of the node.

### Original Class

somf\_TSortedSequenceNode

### Related Information

somfSetLeftChild

---

## somfGetParent Method

### Purpose

Gets the parent of a node.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
somf_TSortedSequenceNode  
somfGetParent ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TSortedSequenceNode.

**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to the parent of the node.

### Original Class

somf\_TSortedSequenceNode

### Related Information

somfSetParent

---

## somfGetRed Method

### Purpose

Determines whether a node is red or black.

**Note:** For a discussion of Red-Black Trees, you can refer to *Algorithms in C++* by Robert Sedgwick (Addison-Wesley Publishing Company, 1992).

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
boolean somfGetRed ();
```

### Parameters

<b>receiver</b>	A pointer to an object of class somf_TSortedSequenceNode.
<b>ev</b>	A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
<b>on</b>	One of these two choices:
<b>TRUE</b>	The node is red.
<b>FALSE</b>	The node is black.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Original Class

somf\_TSortedSequenceNode

### Related Information

somfSetRed  
somfSetRedOn

---

## somfGetRightChild Method

### Purpose

Gets the right child of a node.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
somf_TSortedSequenceNode  
somfGetRightChild ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TSortedSequenceNode.

**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns the pointer to the right child of the node.

### Original Class

somf\_TSortedSequenceNode

### Related Information

somfSetRightChild

---

## somfSetKey Method

### Purpose

Sets the key to a node, given a pointer to a key object.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
void somfSetKey(  
    in somf_MOrderableCollectible k);
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class somf\_TSortedSequenceNode.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**k**               A pointer to the somf\_MOrderableCollectible key.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

None.

### Original Class

somf\_TSortedSequenceNode

### Related Information

somfGetKey



---

## somfSetLeftChild Method

### Purpose

Sets the left child of a node, given a pointer to an object that will be the left child.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
void somfSetLeftChild(  
    in somf_TSortedSequenceNode n);
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class somf\_TSortedSequenceNode.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**n**               A pointer to the left child of the node.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

None.

### Original Class

somf\_TSortedSequenceNode

### Related Information

somfGetLeftChild

---

## somfSetParent Method

### Purpose

Sets the parent of a node, given an object to be used as the parent node.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
void somfSetParent(  
    in somf_TSortedSequenceNode n);
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class somf\_TSortedSequenceNode.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**n**               A pointer to the parent node of the receiving-object node.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

None.

### Original Class

somf\_TSortedSequenceNode

### Related Information

somfGetParent

---

## somfSetRed Method

### Purpose

Sets a node to red or black.

**Note:** For a discussion of Red-Black Trees, you can refer to *Algorithms in C++* by Robert Sedgwick (Addison-Wesley Publishing Company, 1992).

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
void somfSetRed (in boolean on);
```

### Parameters

<b>receiver</b>	A pointer to an object of class <code>somf_TSortedSequenceNode</code>
<b>ev</b>	A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
<b>on</b>	One of these two choices: <b>TRUE</b> The node is red. <b>FALSE</b> The node is black.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

None.

### Original Class

`somf_TSortedSequenceNode`

### Related Information

`somfSetRedOn`  
`somfGetRed`

---

## somfSetRedOn Method

### Purpose

Sets a node to red.

**Note:** For a discussion of Red-Black Trees, you can refer to *Algorithms in C++* by Robert Sedgwick (Addison-Wesley Publishing Company, 1992).

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
void somfSetRedOn ();
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class `somf_TSortedSequenceNode`.

**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

None.

### Original Class

`somf_TSortedSequenceNode`

### Related Information

`somfSetRed`

`somfGetRed`

---

## somfSetRightChild Method

### Purpose

Sets the right child of a node, given a pointer to an object that will be the right child.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
void somfSetRightChild(  
    in somf_TSortedSequenceNode n);
```

### Parameters

**receiver**     A pointer to an object of class somf\_TSortedSequenceNode.  
**ev**             A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**n**                A pointer to the right child of the node.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

None.

### Example

None.

### Original Class

somf\_TSortedSequenceNode

### Related Information

somfGetRightChild

---

## somfTSortedSequenceNodeInitT Method

### Purpose

Initializes a new somf\_TSortedSequenceNode node, given its left child. The method call also specifies a somf\_TSortedSequenceNode object to be used as the left child of the new node.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
somf_TSortedSequenceNode  
somfTSortedSequenceNodeInitT  
in somf_TSortedSequenceNode n1);
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class somf\_TSortedSequenceNode.  
**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**n1** A pointer to the left child of the new somf\_TSortedSequenceNode object.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to an initialized somf\_TSortedSequenceNode object.

### Example

None.

### Original Class

somf\_TSortedSequenceNode

### Related Information

somfTSortedSequenceNodeInitTMT  
somfTSortedSequenceNodeInitTM

---

## somfTSortedSequenceNodeInitTM Method

### Purpose

Initializes a new `somf_TSortedSequenceNode` node, given its left child and a key to the new node. The method call also specifies a `somf_TSortedSequenceNode` object to be used as the left child of the new node, and a `somf_MOrderableCollectible` object to be used as the key to the new node.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
somf_TSortedSequenceNode  
somfTSortedSequenceNodeInitTM  
  in somf_TSortedSequenceNode n1,  
  in  
  somf_MOrderableCollectible obj);
```

### Parameters

**receiver** A pointer to an object of class `somf_TSortedSequenceNode`.  
**ev** A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.  
**n1** A pointer to the left child of the new `somf_TSortedSequenceNode` object.  
**obj** A pointer to the key of the new `somf_TSortedSequenceNode` object.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to an initialized `somf_TSortedSequenceNode` object.

### Example

None.

### Original Class

`somf_TSortedSequenceNode`

### Related Information

`somfTSortedSequenceNodeInitTMT`  
`somfTSortedSequenceNodeInitT`

---

## somfTSortedSequenceNodeInitTMT Method

### Purpose

Initializes a new `somf_TSortedSequenceNode` node, given a key to the new node and its left and right children. The method call specifies a `somf_MOrderableCollectible` object to be used as the key to the new node, and two `somf_TSortedSequenceNode` objects to be used as the left and right children of the new node.

**Note:** You cannot override this method.

### Syntax

```
somf_TSortedSequenceNode  
somfTSortedSequenceNodeInitTMT  
  in somf_TSortedSequenceNode n1,  
  in somf_MOrderableCollectible  
  obj,  
  in somf_TSortedSequenceNode n2);
```

### Parameters

<b>receiver</b>	A pointer to an object of class <code>somf_TSortedSequenceNode</code> .
<b>ev</b>	A pointer to the Environment structure for the calling method.
<b>n1</b>	A pointer to the left child of the new <code>somf_TSortedSequenceNode</code> object.
<b>obj</b>	A pointer to the key of the new <code>somf_TSortedSequenceNode</code> object.
<b>n2</b>	A pointer to the right child of the new <code>somf_TSortedSequenceNode</code> object.

### Restrictions and Limitations

None.

### Returned Values

This method returns a pointer to an initialized `somf_TSortedSequenceNode` object.

### Example

None.

### Original Class

`somf_TSortedSequenceNode`



## Related Information

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`somfTSortedSequenceNodeInitT`



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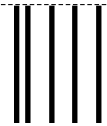


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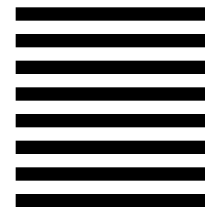
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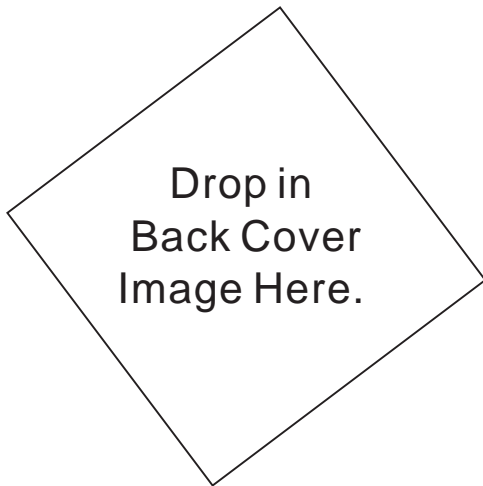




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