

CS261 Data Structures

Maps (or Dictionaries)



Goals

- Introduce the Map(or Dictionary) ADT
- Introduce an implementation of the map with a Dynamic Array



So Far....

- Emphasis on values themselves
 - e.g. store names in an AVL tree to quickly lookup club members
 - e.g. store numbers in an AVL tree for a tree sort
- Often, however, we want to associate something else (ie. a value) with the lookup value (ie. a key)
 - e.g. phonebook, dictionary, student roster, etc.







Map or Dictionary ADT

• A Map stores not just values, but *Key-Value pairs*

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void put (KT key , VT value)

VT get (KT key)

int containsKey(KT key)

void removeKey (KT key)

Struct Association {
    KT key;
    VT value;
    void removeKey (KT key)
```

All comparisons done on the key
All returned values are VT
Can implement with AVLTree, HashTable, DynArr,
etc.

Dynamic Array Map: Contains



Map or Dictionary

- A Map stores not just values, but *Key-Value pairs*
- Example Application: Concordance
 - Count the number of times each word appears in a selection of text (ie. a concordance)
 - Keys: unique words form the text
 - Value: count of each word





Your Turn – Worksheet 36: Dynamic Array Implementation of the Map

- Internally, store Struct Associations
- Put
 - Ensure that each element in the dictionary has a unique key
- ContainsKey
 - Loop until you find the 'key' and then return true, else false
- Get
 - Loop until you find the 'key' then return the value
- RemoveKey
 - Loop until you find the 'key', then remove the entire association