

JAC444 - Lecture 9

Java Collections Segment 4 - Map

The Map<K, V> Interface

A **Map** is an object that maps keys to values.

A map cannot contain duplicate keys – The collection of keys is a set

Each key can map to at most one value – Mathematical *function abstraction*

Implementations:

HashMap Hashtable and the constant-time implementation

TreeMap The map is sorting according to the natural ordering of its keys

LinkedHashMap Hashtable with linked list implementation of **Map** interface

The Map<K,V> Interface

```
public interface Map<K,V> {  
    // Basic Operations  
    Object put(K key, V value);  
    V get(Object key);  
    Object remove(Object key);  
    boolean containsKey(Object key);  
    boolean containsValue(Object value);  
    int size();  
    boolean isEmpty();  
  
    // Bulk Operations  
    void putAll(Map<? extends K, ? extends V> m);  
    void clear();  
  
    // Collection Views  
    public Set<K> keySet();  
    public Collection<V> values();  
    public Set<Map.Entry<K,V>> entrySet();  
  
    // Interface for entrySet elements  
    public interface Entry<K,V> {  
        K getKey();  
        V getValue();  
        V setValue(V value);  
    }  
}
```

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Basic

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Interface

Collection Views of Map<K, V>

The **Collection** view methods allow a **Map** to be viewed as a **Collection** in these three ways:

keySet — the **Set** of keys contained in the **Map**

values — the **Collection** of values contained in the **Map**

entrySet — the **Set** of key-value pairs contained in the **Map**

The **Map** interface has a nested interface called **Map.Entry**

The standard **Map** conversion constructor. If there is an object **m** of type **Map**

```
Map<K, V> copy = new HashMap<K, V>(m)
```

creates an object **copy** of type **HashMap** that contains the same key-value as **m**

Basic Map Operations

```
import java.util.*;

public class Rate {

    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Map<String, Integer> m = new HashMap<>();

        for (String key : args) {
            Integer val = m.get(key);
            Integer newVal = (val == null) ? 1 : val + 1;
            m.put(key, newVal);
        }

        for (Map.Entry<String, Integer> e : m.entrySet())
            System.out.println(e.getKey() + "---> " + e.getValue());
    }
}
```

Common Idioms for Map<K, V>

How to check if two maps objects `m1` and `m2` have the same keys:

Answer: `m1.keySet().equals(m2.keySet())`

How to find the common keys of two maps objects `m1` and `m2`

Answer: `Set<K> commonKeys = new HashSet<K>(m1.keySet());
commonKeys.retainAll(m2.keySet());`

Iterating over key-value pairs:

```
for (Map.Entry<K, V> e : m.entrySet())  
    System.out.println(e.getKey() + ": " + e.getValue());
```

Map Implementations

To build an object of type `Map` one needs to use the implementations without exposing the implementation

Idioms:

```
Map<K,V> m1 = new HashMap<K,V>();
```

```
Map<K,V> m2 = new TreeMap<K,V>();
```

```
Map<K,V> m2 = new LinkedHashMap<K,V>();
```