| Property  | Hash Map  | Linked Hash Map  | Tree Map   |
|---|---|--|--|
| Time<br>Complexity (Big O<br>notation) Get, Put,<br>Contains Key and<br>Remove method | 0(1)  | 0(1)   | 0(1)   |
| Iteration Order   | Random  | Sorted according to either<br>Insertion Order of Access<br>Order (as specified during<br>construction) | Sorted according to either natural Order of keys or comparator (as specified during construction)  |
| Null Keys   | allowed   | allowed  | Not allowed if keys uses Natural Ordering or Comparator does not support comparison on null Keys.  |
| Interface   | Мар   | Мар  | Map, Sorted Map and<br>Navigable Map   |
| Synchronization   | None, use<br>Collections. Synchronized<br>Map()   | None, use<br>Collections. Synchronized<br>Map()  | None, use<br>Collections. Synchronized<br>Map()  |
| Data Structure  | List of buckets, if more than 8<br>entries in bucket then Java 8<br>will switch to balanced tree<br>from linked list          | Doubly Linked List of Buckets  | Red-Black(a kind of self-balancing binary search tree) implementation of Binary Tree. This data structure offers O(log n) for insert, Delte and Search operations and O(n) space complexity. |
| Applications  | General Purpose, fast retrieval,<br>non-synchronized.<br>Concurrent Hash Map can be<br>used where concurrency is<br>involved. | Can be used for LRU cache,<br>other places where insertion<br>or access order matters                  | Algorithms where Sorted or<br>Navigable features are<br>required. For example, find<br>among the list of employees<br>whose salary is next to given<br>employee, Range Search, etc.          |
| Requirements for<br>Keys  | Equals() and hash Code()<br>needs to be overwritten.  | Equals() and hash Code() needs to be overwritten.  | Comparator needs to be supplied for key implementation, otherwise natural order will be used to sort the keys.   |
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