

## Map Interface:

- A Map is a collection in java used for storing key-value pairs.
- Each key must be unique, but values can be duplicated.
- It is a part of java.util package
- Common implementations: HashTable, HashMap, LinkedHashMap, TreeMap.

## Why?

- Efficient retrieval of data using a key.
- Suitable for scenarios where a relationship exists between key, value pairs.

## Key Methods in the Map Interface:

- `put(K key, V value)` : Adds a key-value pair to the map
- `get(Object key)` : retrieve the value associated with the key.
- `remove(Object key)` : Removes the key-value pair

- `containsKey(Object key)` : Checks if a key is present
- `containsValue(Object value)` : Check if a value is present
- `values()` : Returns a collection of values.

[Map \(Java SE 21 & JDK 21\)](#)

## 1. Hashtable:

Features:

- Synchronized and thread-safe
- Does not allow null keys or values
- Suitable for multi-threaded environments

```

• package Map;

import java.util.Hashtable;

public class HashtableMethodsExample {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        //creating a Hashtable
        Hashtable<Integer, String> table = new
        Hashtable<>();

        //put() method to add key-value pairs
        table.put(1, "JAVA");
        table.put(2, "Python");
        table.put(3, "C++");

        // get() method to retrieve value by key
        System.out.println("Value of 2nd key : "+
        table.get(2));

        // containsKey() method - check if a key exists
        or not
        System.out.println("Contains key 4 : "+
        table.containsKey(3));
    }
}

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        // containsValue() method -
        //To remove key value pair
        table.remove(1);
        System.out.println("After Removal : " + table);
    }
}

```

## 2. HashMap

Features :

- Not synchronized (Not thread-safe)
- Allows one null key and multiple null values
- Faster than HashTable in single threaded environments
- Maintains no order of elements

```

package Map;

import java.util.HashMap;

public class HashMapMethodsExample {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        //Creating a HashMap
        HashMap<String, Integer> map = new HashMap<>();

        //put() method to add key-value pairs
        map.put("Apple", 100);
        map.put("Banana", 50 );
        map.put("Cherry", 75);

        //get() method to retrieve value by key
        System.out.println("Price of Banana : " +
map.get("Banana"));

        //containsKey() method to check if key exists
        System.out.println("Does it contains 'Apple '? "+
map.containsKey("Apple"));
    }
}

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        //containsValue()
        //remove()

        // values() method to get all values
        System.out.println("Values : "+ map.values());

        //entrySet() method to get all key-value pairs
        System.out.println("Entries : "+ map.entrySet());
    }
}

```

## 4. LinkedHashMap

Features:

- Maintains the insertion order
- Not synchronized(Not thread-safe)
- Allows one null key and multiple null values
- Slightly slower than HashMap due to insertion order

```

• package Map;

import java.util.LinkedHashMap;

public class LinkedHashMapExample {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        //Creating a LHM
        LinkedHashMap<String, String> linkedMap = new
        LinkedHashMap<>();

        // put() method to add key-value pairs
        linkedMap.put("Krishna", "Manager");
        linkedMap.put("Govind", "Developer");
        linkedMap.put("Gopal", "Tester");

        //get() method - Retrieves value by key
        System.out.println("Role of Krishna : "+
        linkedMap.get("Krishna"));

        //containsKey()
        //containsValue()
    }
}

```

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        //remove()  
        //keySet()  
  
        //values() method - Get all values  
        System.out.println("Values : " +  
linkedMap.values());  
  
        //entrySet()  
    }  
}
```