

SortedDictionary Class in C#

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In C#, the `SortedDictionary<TKey,TValue>` class is used to represent the collection of key/value pairs. This pair is in sorted form and the sorting is done on the key. This class is defined under `System.Collections.Generic` namespace. In `SortedDictionary` class, the keys are immutable, always unique, and cannot be null. You are allowed to use null in value if the type of value is of reference type. The `SortedDictionary` class provides the fastest insertion and removal operations for unsorted data. The key/value pair of the `SortedDictionary` class is retrieved by using the `KeyValuePair` structure.

Constructors

Constructor	Description
<code>SortedDictionary<TKey,TValue>()</code>	Initializes a new instance of the <code>SortedDictionary</code> class that is empty and uses the default <code>Comparer</code> implementation for the key type.
<code>SortedDictionary<TKey,TValue>(IComparer)</code>	Initializes a new instance of the <code>SortedDictionary</code> class that is empty and uses the specified <code>IComparer</code> implementation to compare keys.
<code>SortedDictionary<TKey,TValue>(IDictionary)</code>	Initializes a new instance of the <code>SortedDictionary</code> class that contains elements copied from the specified <code>IDictionary</code> and uses the default <code>Comparer</code> implementation for the key type.
<code>SortedDictionary<TKey,TValue>(IDictionary, IComparer)</code>	Initializes a new instance of the <code>SortedDictionary</code> class that contains elements copied from the specified <code>IDictionary</code> and uses the specified <code>IComparer</code> implementation to compare keys.

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```
using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
public class GFG {
static public void Main()
{
    SortedDictionary< string , string > myDr =
    new SortedDictionary< string , string >();
    myDr.Add( "One" , "C" );
    myDr.Add( "Two" , "C++" );
    myDr.Add( "Three" , "C#" );
    foreach (KeyValuePair< string , string > pair in myDr)
    {
        Console.WriteLine( "Key: {0} and Value: {1}" ,
        pair.Key, pair.Value);
    }
}
}
```

Output:

Key: One and Value: C
Key: Three and Value: C#
Key: Two and Value: C++

Properties

Property	Description
Comparer	Gets the IComparer used to order the elements of the SortedDictionary.
<u>Count</u>	Gets the number of key/value pairs contained in the SortedDictionary.
<u>Item[TKey]</u>	Gets or sets the value associated with the specified key.
<u>Keys</u>	Gets a collection containing the keys in the SortedDictionary.
<u>Values</u>	Gets a collection containing the values in the SortedDictionary.

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using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
public class GFG {
static public void Main()
{
SortedDictionary< int , string > myDr =
new SortedDictionary< int , string >();
myDr.Add(1. "Dog" );
myDr.Add(2. "Cat" );
myDr.Add(3. "Birds" );
myDr.Add(4. "Rabbits" );
myDr.Add(5. "Fish" );
myDr.Add(6. "Hamster" );
myDr.Add(7. "Turtle" );
Console.WriteLine( "Total number of pairs " +
"present in myDr : {0}" , myDr.Count);
}
}
```

Output:

Total number of pairs present in myDr : 7

Methods

Method	Description
<u>Add(TKey, TValue)</u>	Adds an element with the specified key and value into the SortedDictionary.
<u>Clear()</u>	Removes all elements from the SortedDictionary.
<u>ContainsKey(TKey)</u>	Determines whether the SortedDictionary contains an element with the specified key.
<u>ContainsValue(TValue)</u>	Determines whether the SortedDictionary contains an element with the specified value.
<u>CopyTo(KeyValuePair<TKey,TValue> [], Int32)</u>	Copies the elements of the SortedDictionary to the specified array of KeyValuePair structures, starting at the specified index.

<u>Equals(Object)</u>	Determines whether the specified object is equal to the current object.
<u>GetEnumerator()</u>	Returns an enumerator that iterates through the SortedDictionary.
GetHashCode()	Serves as the default hash function.
GetType()	Gets the Type of the current instance.
MemberwiseClone()	Creates a shallow copy of the current Object.
<u>Remove(TKey)</u>	Removes the element with the specified key from the SortedDictionary.
ToString()	Returns a string that represents the current object.
TryGetValue(TKey, TValue)	Gets the value associated with the specified key.

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myDr.Add(7. "Turtle" );
Console.WriteLine( "Pet animals list:" );
foreach (KeyValuePair< int , string > pair in myDr)
{
Console.WriteLine( "Key:{0} and Value: {1}" ,
pair.Key, pair.Value);
}
}
}

```

Output:

Pet animals list:
 Key:1 and Value: Dog
 Key:2 and Value: Cat
 Key:3 and Value: Birds
 Key:4 and Value: Rabbits
 Key:5 and Value: Fish
 Key:6 and Value: Hamster
 Key:7 and Value: Turtle

Reference:

<https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/dotnet/api/system.collections.generic.sorteddictionary-2?view=netframework-4.7.2#definition>

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