

Map

Collection of key - value pairs

Map consists of key-value pairs

Map is a collection of key-value pairs.

Like a dict in Python.

Example: map contact names to e-mail address.

```
key (name) --> value (e-mail)
"jim" --> "j.brucker@ku.th"
"bill" --> "bill.gates@msft.com"
```

Keys and values can be anything -- not just String.

Python Dict vs Java Map

Python Dict is a "map"

```
map = {}
map["bill"] = "bill.gates@msft.com"

# get value of a key
email = map["bill"]
```

Map in Java

```
Map<String, String> map = new HashMap<>();
// put a key - value in map
map.put("bill", "bill.gates@msft.com");
// get value of a key
Sting email = map.get("bill");
```

Getting values from a map

map.get(key) - get value for this key, or null

Defining a Map reference

Map is an interface type (like List).

Map of words (String) to numbers (Long):

Map<String,Long> map = ...

key type is String

value type is

Long

Map has 2 type parameters: one for key, one for value.

They can be any reference type, but not primitive types.

Creating a Map Object

HashMap is a concrete Map class.

Map of words (String) to numbers (Long):

```
Map<String,Long> map =
```

new HashMap<String,Long>();

<> shortcut: you can omit the type parameters on the right-hand side if they are same as left-hand side:

Depend on Interfaces

Design principle:

"depend on a specification, not an implementation", or: "program to an interface, not to an implementation."

```
Map is an interface
    HashMap is an implementation

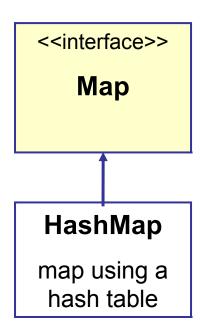
Map<String,Long> map =
    new HashMap<String,Long>();
```

What can a Map do?

Map keys to values

key → value

```
clear()
                           boolean
containsKey(key)
get(key) return value or null
getOrDefault(key, default)
keySet() get a Set of all keys
put(key, value)
replace (key, value) only if has key
remove (key)
size()
values() a Collection of values
```



Map Classes

HashMap - uses a hash table for keys (fast)

TreeMap - map in which keys are always sorted

Hashtable - older Map class using hash table

Properties - key-value properties that can be read and written using Streams. Used for configuration data. Key and value are Strings.

Example: count money

- Count <u>how many</u> items in Purse for each currency.
- List<Valuable> money = list of items in Purse, that implement the Valuable interface.

```
// key = currency, value = how many for this currency
Map<String,Integer> map = new TreeMap<>();
for(Valuable item: money) {
    String currency = item.getCurrency();
    // get the count, or 0 if currency not in map
    int howmany = map.getOrDefault(currency, 0);
    // update the count for this currency
    map.put( currency, howmany+1);
```

Example: print the currency counts

- Print how many items for each currency ("Baht", ...)
- keySet() returns Set of keys. For TreeMap the keys are returned as a TreeSet, which is sorted.

```
// key = currency
Set<String> keys = map.keySet();
// iterate over the keys (currency) and print values
for(String key: keys) {
   int count = map.get(key);
   System.out.printf("%2d %s\n", count, key);
}
```

- 11 Baht
 - 4 Ringgit
 - 2 Yen

Longer Example

Process command line arguments:

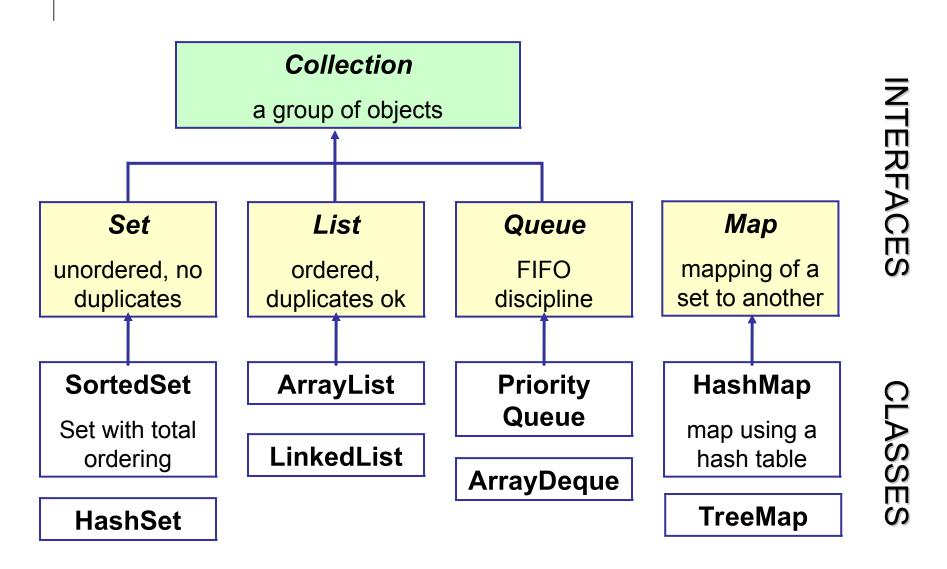
```
Crypt -mode enc|dec
  -alg shift|unicode
  -key num
  -in file1 -data "string" -out file2
```

Can we write a method to return key-values?

key = option name, without "-"

value = the argument after the key

Java Collections



Resource

"Collections Trail" in the Java Tutorial http://java.sun.com/docs/books/tutorial/index.html