

# C++ Maps Cheat Sheet

## 1. Declaring a Map

```
#include <map>

std::map<int, int> m1;           // Empty map with int keys and values
std::map<std::string, int> m2;   // Map with string keys and int values
std::map<int, int> m3 = {{1, 2}, {3, 4}}; // Map initialized with key-value pairs
```

## 2. Basic Functions

```
m.size();           // Returns the number of elements
m.empty();          // Returns true if the map is empty
m.clear();          // Removes all elements from the map
m.insert({key, value}); // Inserts a key-value pair
m.erase(key);       // Removes element with specified key
m.find(key);         // Returns iterator to element with specified key (or m.end())
```

## 3. Accessing Elements

```
m[key];             // Access or insert element with 'key'
m.at(key);           // Access element with 'key' (throws an exception if key doesn't exist)
```

## 4. Iterators

```
m.begin();          // Iterator to the beginning
m.end();             // Iterator to the end (one past the last element)
m.rbegin();          // Reverse iterator to the beginning (last element)
m.rend();            // Reverse iterator to the end (before first element)
```

## 5. Modifying Elements

```
m.insert({key, value}); // Inserts a key-value pair

m.erase(it);           // Removes element at iterator position 'it'

m.erase(startIt, endIt); // Removes elements in the range [startIt, endIt)

m.swap(m2);             // Swaps elements with another map m2

std::swap(m1, m2);      // Alternative to swap two maps
```

## 6. Capacity Functions

```
m.max_size(); // Returns the maximum number of elements
```

## 7. Searching and Counting

```
m.find(key); // Finds an element by key, returns iterator

bool exists = (m.find(key) != m.end()); // Check if key exists

m.count(key); // Returns 1 if key exists, 0 otherwise
```

## 8. Common Operations

```
for (const auto &pair : m) { // Loop through map with range-based for loop
    std::cout << pair.first << ": " << pair.second << std::endl;
}

auto it = m.find(key); // Find element by key

if (it != m.end()) { std::cout << it->second; } // Access value if found
```

## 9. Looping through a Map

```
// Using a range-based for loop

for (const auto &pair : m) {

    std::cout << pair.first << ": " << pair.second << std::endl;

}

// Using iterators

for (auto it = m.begin(); it != m.end(); ++it) {

    std::cout << it->first << ": " << it->second << std::endl;

}
```