# C++ STL Map

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[1]: #include <iostream>
    using namespace std;
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# 0.1 Why Map in C++?

To understand, we'll go through a problem.

**Problem:** Given an array  $N(a_1, a_2, ...)$  positive integers. Find frequency of each number in the array.

# 0.1.1 Way 1: Brute Force Solution

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[2]: int len;
     cin >> len;
     int* N = new int[len];
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[3]: for(int i=0; i<len; i++) {
         cin >> N[i];
     }
    3
    4
    3
    3
    2
    4
    55
    2
    3
    3
[4]: // Drawback: Returns frequency of all the elements even being repetive
     for(int i=0; i<len; i++) {</pre>
         int count = 0;
         for(int j=0; j<len; j++) {</pre>
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if(N[i] == N[j])
                  count++;
         }
         cout << "Count of " << N[i] << " : " << count << endl;</pre>
     }
    Count of 3:5
    Count of 4:2
    Count of 3:5
    Count of 3 : 5
    Count of 2 : 2
    Count of 4 : 2
    Count of 55 : 1
    Count of 2 : 2
    Count of 3:5
    Count of 3:5
    0.1.2 Way 2: Using Hashing
[5]: // Create Hashing Array
     int hash_array[1000001];
[6]: for(int i=0; i<len; i++) {
         hash_array[N[i]]++;
     }
[7]: | cout << "Size of the array: " << sizeof(hash_array)/sizeof(hash_array[0]) << \square
      \rightarrowendl;
    Size of the array: 1000001
[8]: for(int i=0; i<sizeof(hash_array)/sizeof(hash_array[0]); i++) {
         if(hash_array[i] != 0)
             cout << "Count of " << N[i] << " : " << hash_array[i] << endl;</pre>
     }
    Count of 3 : 2
    Count of 3:5
    Count of 2 : 2
    Count of 873858069 : 1
    Disadvantages:
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- - 1. Memory wastage: The hash\_array array is allocated with 1000001 locations. While each location will take 4 bytes, and thus 4\*1000001 = 4000004 bytes will be allocated.
  - 2. What if the array length is larger than 1000001? In that case, this method won't work.

#### 0.1.3 Way 3: Using Map

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[9]: | #include <map>
[10]: map <int, int> map_arr;
[11]: // Originally, all elements in map_arr are initialized to 0
      for(int i=0; i<len; i++) {</pre>
          map_arr[N[i]]++;
      }
[12]: for(map <int, int>::iterator iter = map_arr.begin(); iter != map_arr.end();
       →iter++) {
          cout << "Count of " << iter->first << " : " << iter->second << endl;</pre>
      }
     Count of 2:2
     Count of 3:5
     Count of 4:2
     Count of 55 : 1
        1. In case we have array length of array > 10^7, then we can use long int instead of int. It's
           better because it saves the memory space.
        2. To access any element from the map, time complexity is O(\log N) where N is the size of map.
        3. map stores the elements in sorted order. (Logic: we do map arr[number]++ so, lesser the
          number is, earlier the location is.
[13]: // Size of map
      cout << map_arr.size();</pre>
     4
     0.2 Find in Map
     if(given key present in the map) {
          return iterator pointing to that key value pair
     } else {
          return pointer to the end of the map
[14]: auto iter = map_arr.find(3);
      // if key not found, then find function will return map arr.end()
      if(iter != map arr.end()) {
          cout << "Key " << iter->first << " found at: " << iter->second << endl;</pre>
      }
```

Key 3 found at: 5

Time complexity of find() is  $O(\log N)$ . N is size of the map.

# 0.3 Erase from the Map

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[15]: cout << "Map before erasing\n";</pre>
      for(iter = map_arr.begin(); iter != map_arr.end(); iter++) {
          cout << iter->first << ", " << iter->second << endl;</pre>
      }
     Map before erasing
     2, 2
     3, 5
     4, 2
     55, 1
[16]: // Let's erase 55 from the array
      // It doesn't fit well with the other small numbers ;)
      iter = map arr.find(55);
      if(iter != map_arr.end()) {
          cout << "Key found, and erasing." << endl;</pre>
          map_arr.erase(iter);
      } else {
          cout << "Key not found. Can't erase" << endl;</pre>
      }
     Key found, and erasing.
[17]: cout << "Map after erasing\n";</pre>
      for(iter = map_arr.begin(); iter != map_arr.end(); iter++) {
          cout << iter->first << ", " << iter->second << endl;</pre>
      }
```

Map after erasing

- 2, 2
- 3, 5
- 4, 2

Time complexity to erase:

- 1. if iterator is passed to map\_arr.erase() then it takes O(1) time.
- 2. if number is passed to map\_arr.erase() then it takes  $O(\log N)$  time.

# 0.4 Clear in Map

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[18]: // Clear all the key value pairs and make it's size to 0
      cout << "Size before clearing: " << map_arr.size() << endl;</pre>
      map_arr.clear();
      cout << "Size after clearing: " << map_arr.size() << endl;</pre>
```

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Size before clearing: 3
Size after clearing: 0
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#### 0.5 Examples

map in C++ is a little similar to dict in Python. Let's experiment with writing a snippet similar to following in C++:

```
dict_ = {1:'one', 2:'two', 3:'three', 4:'four', 5:'five', 6:'six', 7:'seven', 8:'eight', 9:'ni
     for i in dict_.keys():
         print(i, dict_[i])
     num = int(input("Enter number: "))
     print("You entered: {}".format(dict_[num]))
[19]: map<int, string> dict_;
[20]: | dict_[1] = "one";
      dict_[2] = "two";
      dict_[3] = "three";
      dict_[4] = "four";
      dict_[5] = "five";
      dict_[6] = "six";
      dict_[7] = "seven";
      dict_[8] = "eight";
      dict_[9] = "nine";
      dict_[10] = "ten";
      dict_[11] = "eleven";
      dict_[12] = "twelve";
      dict_[13] = "thirteen";
      dict [14] = "fourteen";
      dict_[15] = "fifteen";
      dict_[16] = "sixteen";
      dict_[17] = "seventeen";
      dict_[18] = "eighteen";
      dict_[19] = "ninteen";
      dict_[20] = "twenty";
      dict_[30] = "thirty";
      dict_[40] = "forty";
      dict_[50] = "fity";
      dict_[60] = "sixty";
      dict_[70] = "seventy";
      dict_[80] = "eighty";
      dict_[90] = "ninty";
[21]: map<int, string> suffix;
      suffix[100] = "hundred";
      suffix[1000] = "thousand";
[22]: int num;
      cout << "Enter number: ";</pre>
      cin >> num;
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Enter number: 4
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[23]: cout << "You entered: " << dict_[num] << endl;</pre>
     You entered: four
[24]: int _pow(int x, int y) {
          if(y == 0) {
              return 1;
          while(y > 1) {
              x = x * x;
              y = 1;
          }
          return x;
      }
[25]: void print(int num) {
          // Find unit, tenth, hundredth and so on digits
          int count = 0;
          int suf = 1;
          vector<string> output;
          while(true) {
              int rem = num % 10;
              num = int(num/10);
              if(count > 0)
                  suf = suf * 10;
              auto it = suffix.find(suf);
              if(it != suffix.end() && rem != 0) {
                  output.push_back(suffix[suf]);
                  output.push_back(dict_[rem]);
              } else {
                  output.push_back(dict_[rem * suf]);
              }
              count++;
              if(num == 0)
                  break;
          reverse(begin(output), end(output));
          for(auto it = output.begin(); it != output.end(); it++) {
              cout << *it << " ";
          }
      }
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[26]: print(1334);
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one thousand three hundred thirty four

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[27]: print(309);
    three hundred nine

[28]: print(300);
    three hundred

[29]: print(9000);
    nine thousand

[30]: print(9999);
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nine thousand nine hundred ninty nine