

Golang Training Pointers

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Golang: Maps

Overview

- > Map is an unordered collection of key/value pairs
 - Known as associative arrays in Php, hash tables in Java, or dictionaries in Python
- > Used to look up a value by its associated key
- > Store values into the map based on a key
- > Map retrieves data quickly based on the key
- > Key works like an index, pointing to the value
- > A map is implemented using a hash table
- > Maps are not safe for concurrent use

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Overview

- > Maps are unordered collection
- > Can not predict the order in which the key/value pairs will be returned
- > Every iteration over a map could return a different order.

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Initialization: Empty map

- > Maps are written with curly brackets, and they have keys and value

Syntax:

```
var <map-variable-name> = map[key-type]value-type{}
```

e.g. `var employee = map[string]int{}`

employee: Map variable name

string : Data type of key

int: data type of value

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Declaration with make

> make function takes as argument the type of the map and it returns an initialized map

Syntax

```
var <map-variable> = make (map[key-type]value-type)
```

```
var serviceFQDNs = make(map[string][string])
```

```
serviceFQDNs["auth-url"] = "https://auth.mavenir.com:443/authenticate"
```

```
serviceFQDNs["db-conn"] = "https://auth.mavenir.com:5656/database"
```

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length

- > Determine how many items (key-value pairs) a map has
 - Use built-in len() function

E.g

```
var employee = make(map[string]int)
```

```
employee["Vijay"] = 10
```

```
employee["Anil"] = 20
```

```
employeeList := make(map[string]int)
```

```
fmt.Println(len(employee)) // 2
```

```
fmt.Println(len(employeeList)) // 0
```

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Accessing Items

- > Can access the items of a map, by referring to its key name, inside square brackets

Eg.

```
var employee = map[string]int{"Vijay": 10, "Anil": 20}  
  
fmt.Println(employee["Mark"])
```

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Adding Items

- > Item can be added by using a new index key and assigning a value to it

E.g.

```
var employee = map[string]int{"Anil": 10, "Vijay": 20}
```

```
fmt.Println(employee) // Initial Map
```

```
employee["Vishal"] = 30 // Add element
```

```
employee["Sanjay"] = 40
```


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Update values

- > Update the value of a specific item by referring to its key name

E.g.

```
var employee = map[string]int{"Vijay": 10, "Vinay": 20}
```

```
fmt.Println(employee) // Initial Map
```

```
employee["Vijay"] = 50 // Edit item or rewrite item
```

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Delete

- > Built-in delete function deletes an item from a given map associated with the provided key.

E.g.

```
var employee = make(map[string]int)
```

```
employee["Vijay"] = 10
```

```
employee["Vishal"] = 20
```

```
fmt.Println(employee)
```

```
delete(employee, "Vijay") // deletes key-value pair "Vijay" 10
```

```
fmt.Println(employee)
```

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Iterate over a Map

- > The for...range loop statement can be used to fetch the index and element of a map.

```
var employee = map[string]int{"Vijay": 10, "Mayur": 20,
```

```
    "Vishal": 30, "Arun": 40, "Ajay": 50}
```

```
for key, element := range employee {
```

```
    fmt.Println("Key:", key, "=>", "Element:", element)
```

```
}
```

- > Maps can't be iterated using len loop

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Truncate map

> There are two ways to clear all items from a Map.

- Deleting Items by iterating
- Reinitializing map using make()

```
var employee = map[string]int{"Vishal": 10, "Ajay": 20,  
  
    "Prabhat": 30, "Kailash": 40, "Manasa": 50}
```

```
// Method - I
```

```
for k := range employee {  
  
    delete(employee, k)  
  
}
```

```
employee = make(map[string]int)
```

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Sort Map Values

- > Sort the key values of a map, you need to store them in Slice and then sort the slice

```
unSortedMap := map[string]int{"India": 20, "Canada": 70, "Germany": 15}

// Int slice to store values of map.
values := make([]int, 0, len(unSortedMap))

for _, v := range unSortedMap {
    values = append(values, v)
}

// Sort slice values.
sort.Ints(values)

// Print values of sorted Slice.
for _, v := range values {
    fmt.Println(v)
}
```

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Sort Map

- > Sort Map By keys
- > Sort Map By Values

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Merge Map

```
first := map[string]int{"a": 1, "b": 2, "c": 3}
```

```
second := map[string]int{"a": 1, "e": 5, "c": 3, "d": 4}
```

```
for k, v := range second {
```

```
    first[k] = v
```

```
}
```

```
fmt.Println(first)
```

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Allowed Value types

- > Map key can be any type that is comparable
 - boolean
 - numeric
 - string,
 - pointer
 - channel
 - interface types
 - structs – if all it's field type is comparable
 - array – if the type of value of array element is comparable
- > Slice, Map, Function are not allowed key types

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Operations

- > Add a key-value pair
- > Update a key
- > Get the value corresponding to a key
- > Delete a key-value pair
- > Check if a key exists