

L15 - Counting Sort

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Non comparison based sorting

There are *no comparisons among the elements of the list*.

Counting Sort assumes that each of its elements is in the range 0..k, for some *positive integer k*. If k is of the order of $O(n)$, then it sorts in Linear Time.

In other words, Counting Sort is applicable only on positive integers.

For each element x of the list , it counts the number of x occurring in the list as well as the number of elements less than and equal to x.

It requires two additional arrays B[1..n] and C[0..k], where B is the output array and C keeps count of the number of elements that are less than each element in the list.

A 1 2 8

2 ₁	9	5 ₁	7	2 ₂	2 ₃	0	5 ₂
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1. //Initialize the C array with zero
2. for i = 0 to k
3. C[i] = 0
4. //Count and store the number of each element in A
5. for j = 1 to A. length
6. C[A[j]] = C[A[j]] + 1

C

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

C

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1	0	1+2 3	0	0	1+2	0	1	0	1

7. //Find the number of elements less than or equal to x
8. for j = 1 to k
9. C[j] = C[j] + C[j - 1]

C

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1	1	4	4	4	6	6	7	7	8

10. for j = A.length downto 1 // for j=1 to A.length

11. B[C[A[j]]] = A[j]

12. C[A[j]] = C[A[j]] - 1

A

2 ₁	9	5 ₁	7	2 ₂	2 ₃	0	5 ₂
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B[C[A[j]]] = B[C[A[8]]] = B[C[5]] = B[6]

B

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
					5 ₂		

C

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1	1	4	4	4	6 5	6	7	7	8

B

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
0					5 ₂		

C

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1 0	1	4	4	4	6 5	6	7	7	8

B

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
0			2 ₃		5 ₂		

C

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1 0	1	4 3	4	4	6 5	6	7	7	8

B

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
0		2 ₂	2 ₃		5 ₂		

C

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1 0	1	4 3 2	4	4	6 5	6	7	7	8

B

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
0		2 ₂	2 ₃		5 ₂	7	

C

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1 0	1	4 3 2	4	4	6 5	6	7 6	7	8

B

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
0		2 ₂	2 ₃	5 ₁	5 ₂	7	

C

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1 0	1	4 3 2	4	4	6 54	6	7 6	7	8

B

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
0		2 ₂	2 ₃	5 ₁	5 ₂	7	9

C

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1 0	1	4 3 2	4	4	5 43	6	7 6	7	8 7

B

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
0	2 ₁	2 ₂	2 ₃	5 ₁	5 ₂	7	9

C

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1 0	1	4 3 21	4	4	5 43	6	7 6	7	8 7

Counting-Sort(A, B, k)

1. let $C[0..k]$ be a dynamically allocated array of length $k+1$
2. //Initialize the C array with zero
3. for $i = 0$ to k $| O(k)$
4. $C[i] = 0$
5. //Count and store the number of each element in A
6. for $j = 1$ to A. length $| O(n)$
7. $C[A[j]] = C[A[j]] + 1$
8. //Find the number of elements less than or equal to x
9. for $j = 1$ to k $| O(k)$
10. $C[j] = C[j] + C[j - 1]$
11. for $j = A. \text{length}$ downto 1 $| O(n)$
12. $B[C[A[j]]] = A[j]$
13. $C[A[j]] = C[A[j]] - 1$

$$T(n) = O(n) + O(n) + O(k) + O(k) = 2c_1n + 2c_2k = O(n + k)$$

N=10

K=1000

5 5 4 1
1 5 4 5
1 4 5 5

6 5 5 8
5 6 5 8
5 5 6 8

Stable Sort:

A Sorting algorithm is **STABLE** if the **order of duplicate elements** in the input is preserved in the sorted output.

Quick Sort	non-Stable
Merge Sort	Stable
Insertion Sort	Stable
Selection Sort	non-Stable
Bubble Sort	Stable