

Lecture 18

Radix Sort & Counting Sort

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Monday

Radix Sort

MOTIVATION

- Radix sort is a popular way of sorting used in everyday life.
 - To sort library cards
 - Create as many piles as many alphabets
 - Each card goes to the pile according to the starting alphabet
 - In early computers, it was used to sort 80-column cards of coding information
 - Sorting mail, as all zip codes have equal length.
- What about sorting list of integers. As they might have unequal length.
 - Consider [23 123 234 567 3]

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- If we apply the same technique of piles of integers, we may end up like this
 - [123 23 234 3 567]
 - We can add zeros in front of each number.
 - [003 023 123 234 567]
 - Or we can look at each number as strings of bits, this way all numbers will have equal length.

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- When sorting integers
 - 10 Piles numbered 0 through 9 are created.
 - In first pass, integers are put in appropriate pile according to their rightmost digit. E.g., 59 will go into pile: 9.
 - When all digits are put in piles, then piles are combined.
 - The process is repeated, now for the second rightmost digit. E.g., 59 now will go to the pile: 5.
 - The process ends after the leftmost digit of the longest number is processed.

PSEUDOCODE

RadixSort ()

for $d = 1$ to the position of the leftmost digit of longest number

 distribute all numbers among piles 0 through 9 according to the d^{th} digit

 put all integers on one list.

PILES IMPLEMENTATION MATTERS

- The key to obtain the proper outcome
 - How 10 piles are implemented and then combined.
- If we follow First In Last Out Order (LIFO).
 - then 93 63 64 94
 - First pass:
 - pile 3: 63 93
 - pile 4: 94 64
 - Combined list: 63 93 94 64
 - Second pass
 - pile 6: 64 63
 - pile 9: 94 93
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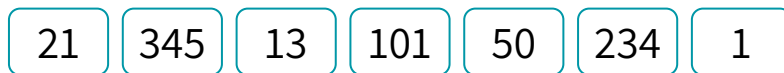
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- However, if we follow First In First Out (FIFO), the relative order of elements in the list is retained.
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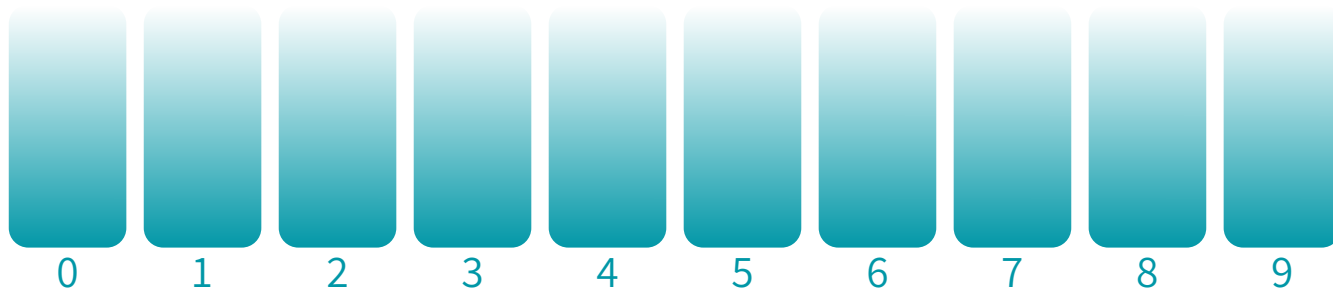
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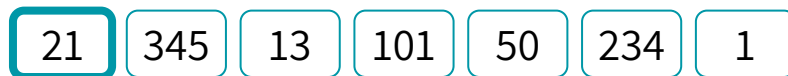
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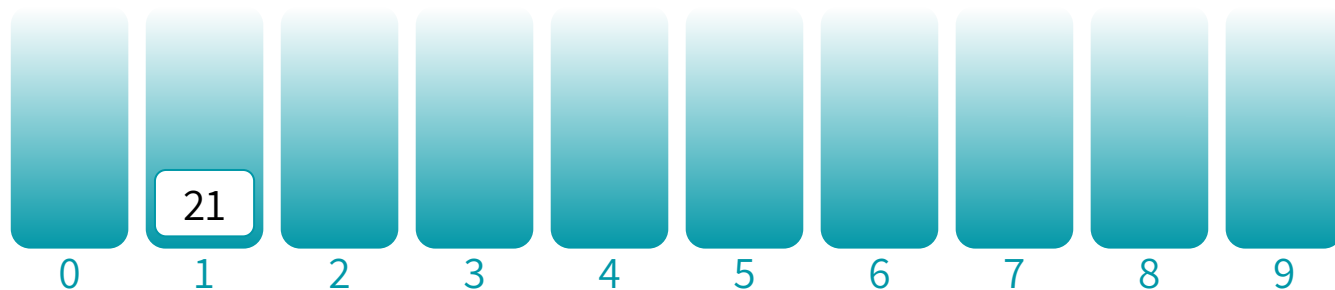
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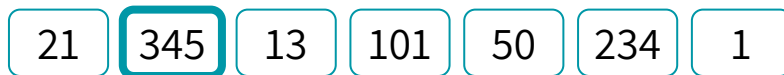
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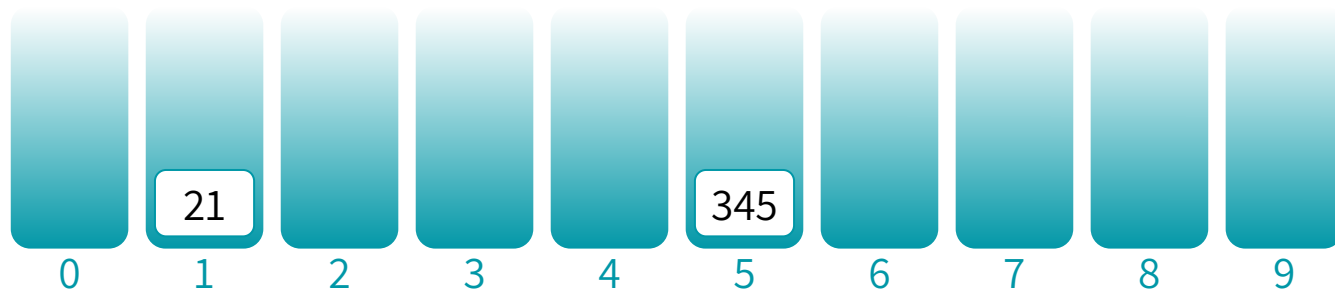
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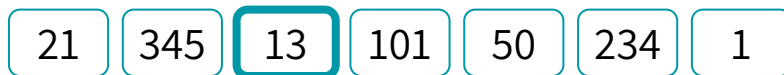
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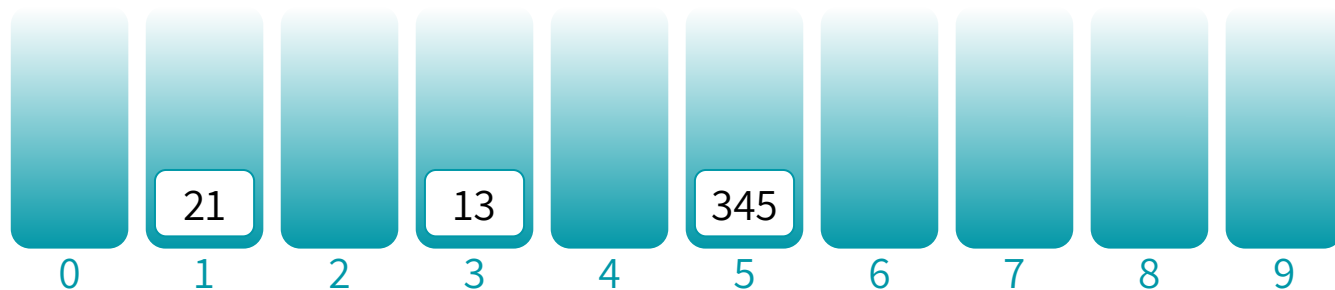
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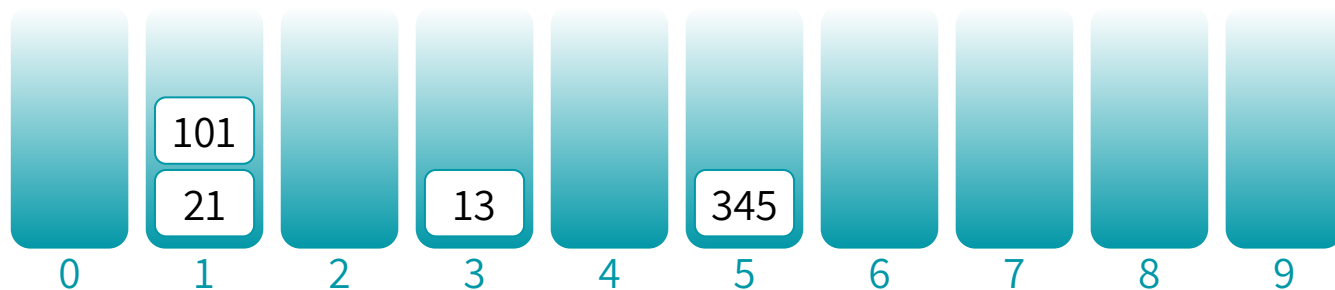
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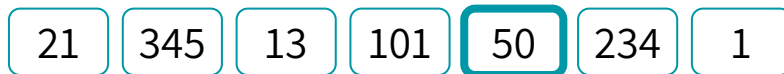
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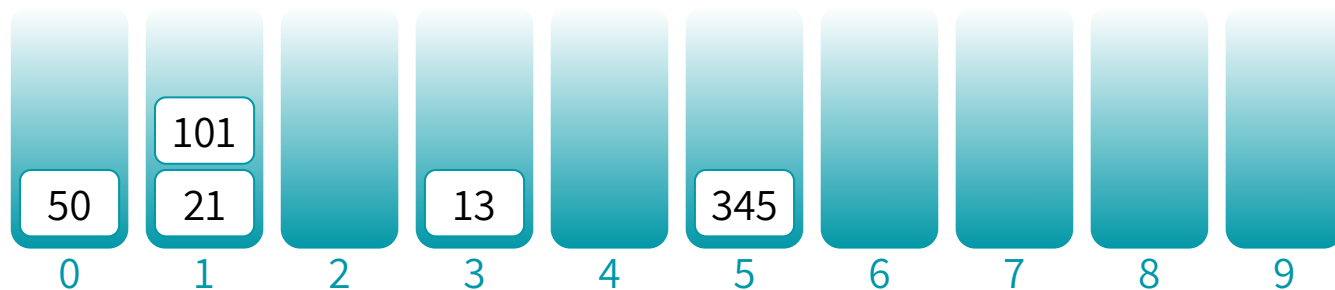
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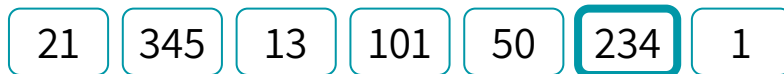
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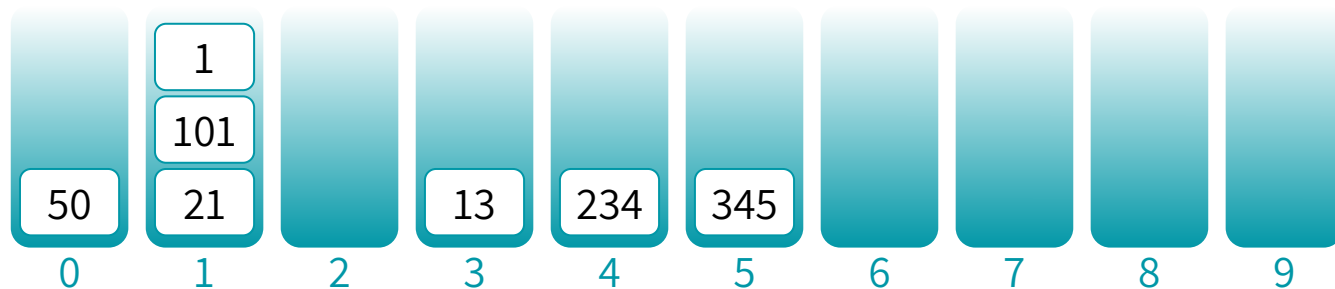
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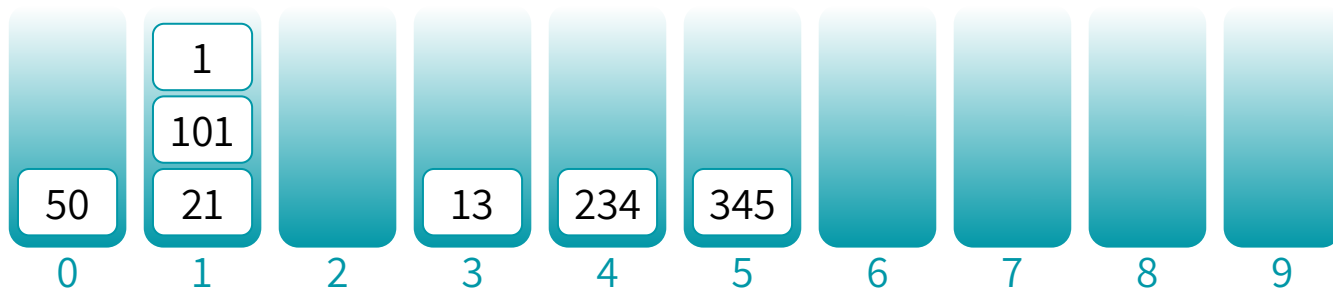
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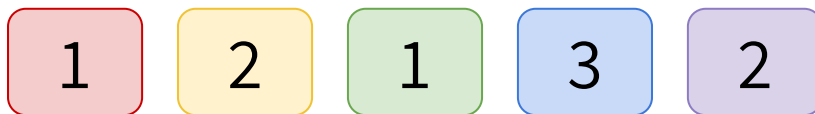
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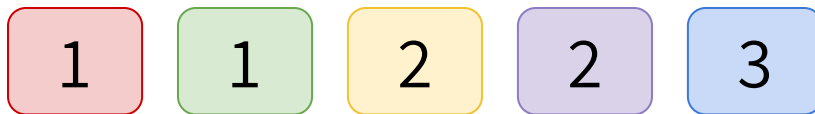
QUICK ASIDE: STABLE SORTING

We say a sorting algorithm is **STABLE** if two objects with equal values appear in the same order in the sorted output as they appear in the input.

Input:



Sorted Output:
(if algorithm is stable)



The red 1 appeared before the green 1 in the input, so they have to also appear in this order in the output!

The yellow 2 appeared before the purple 2 in the input, so they have to also appear in this order in the output!

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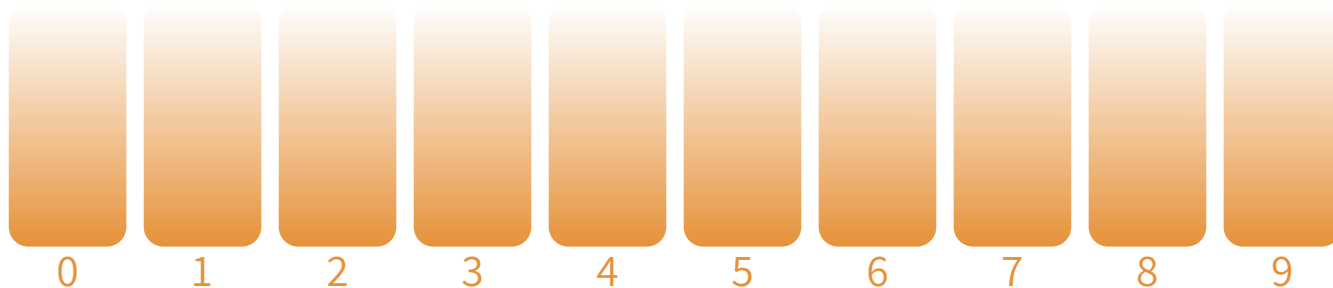
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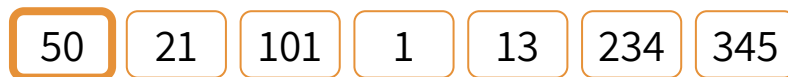


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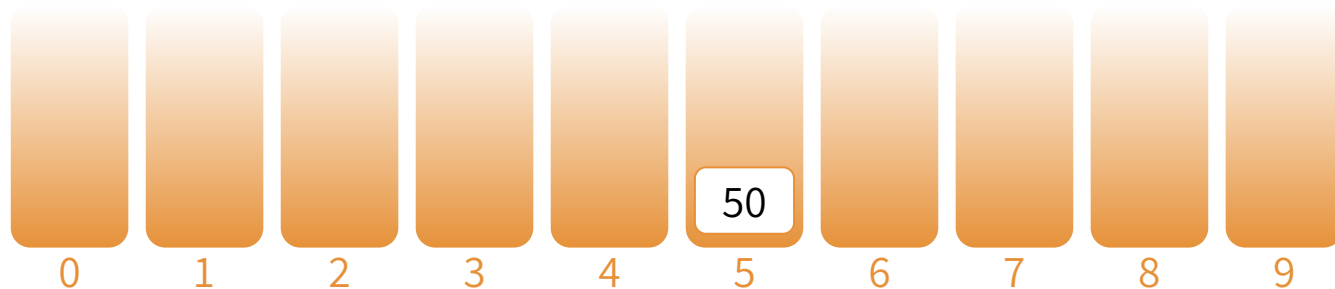
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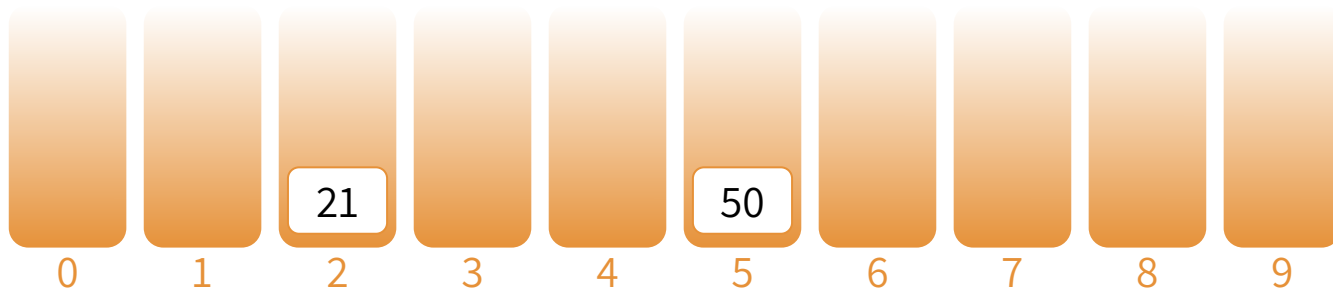
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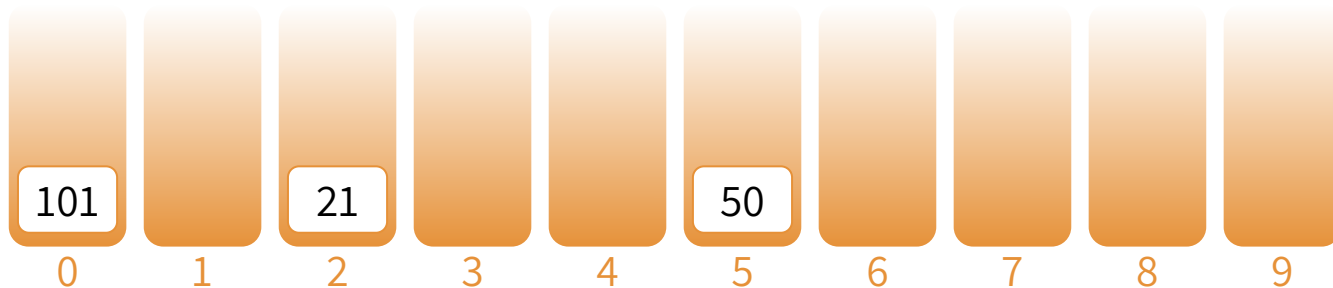
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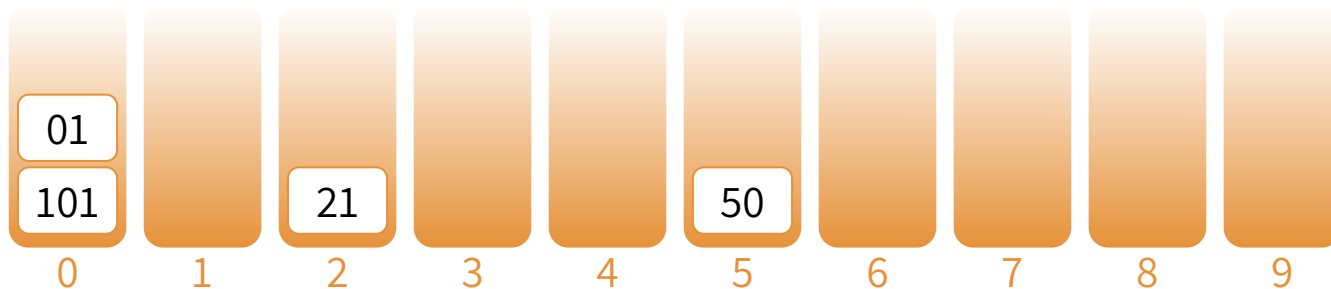
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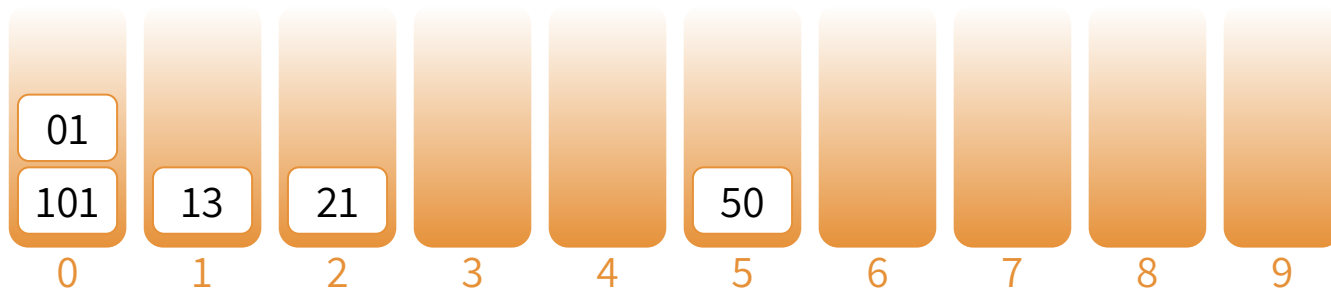
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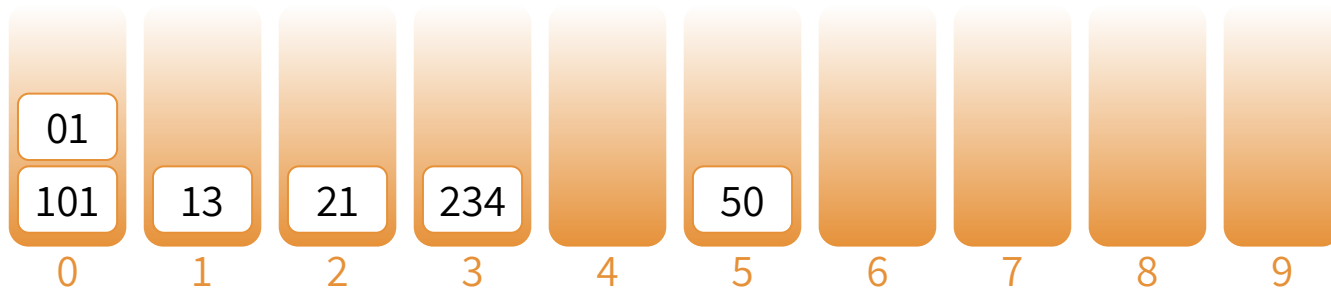
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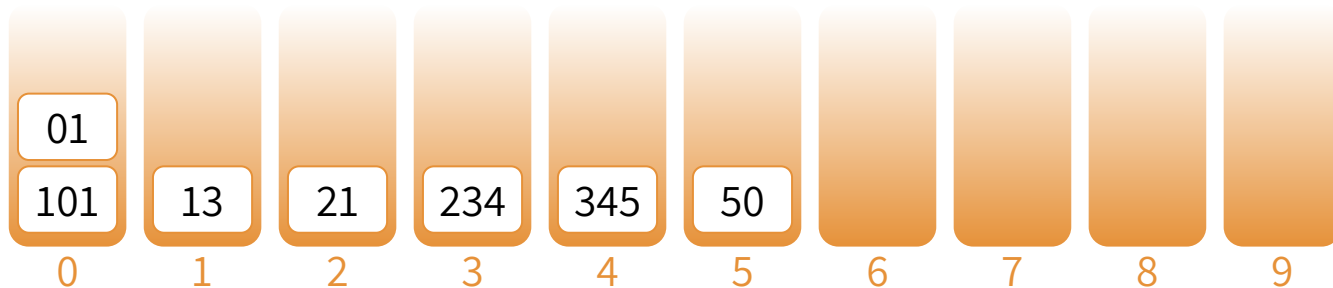
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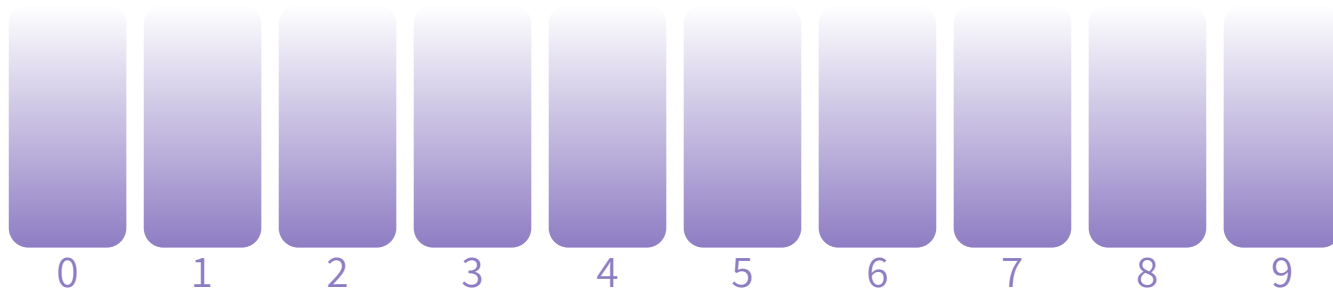
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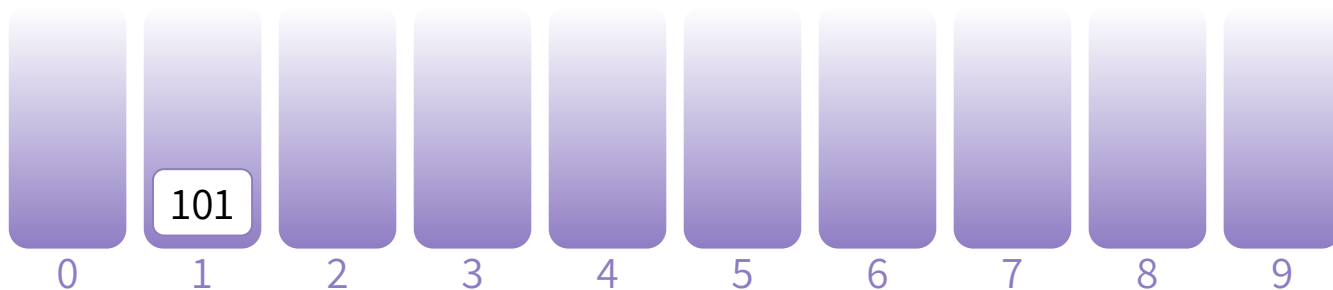
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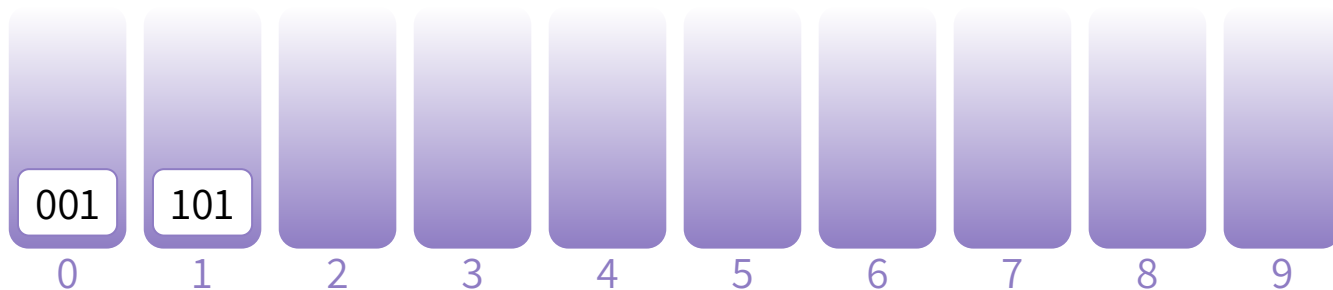
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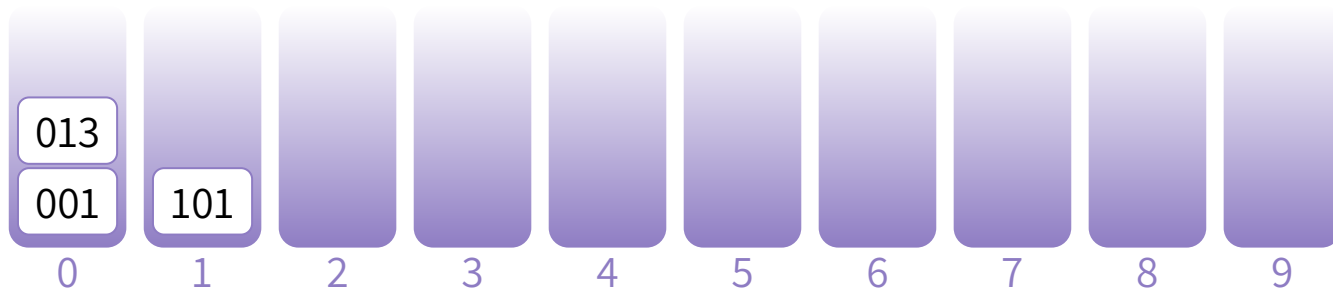
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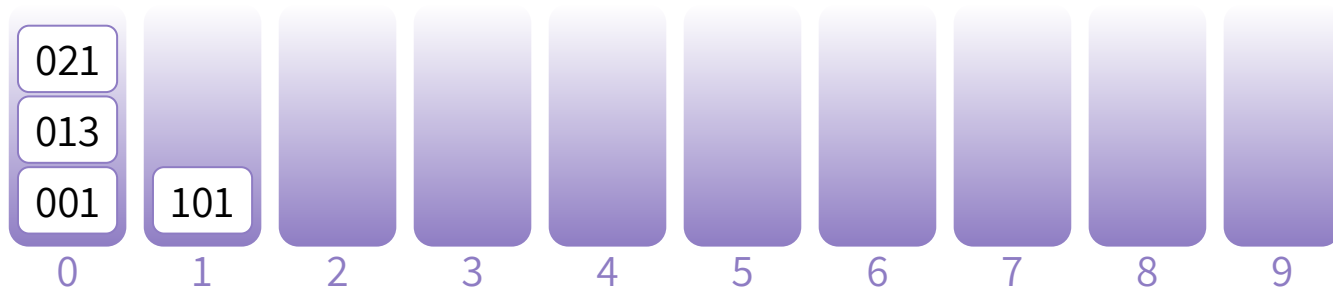
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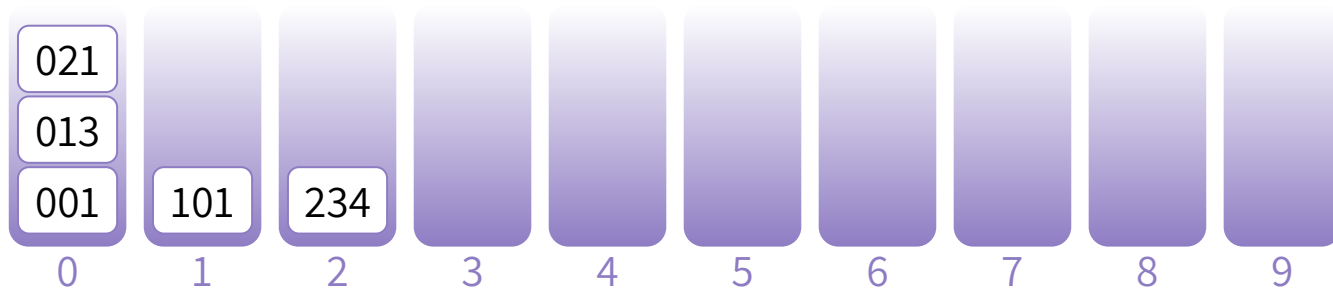
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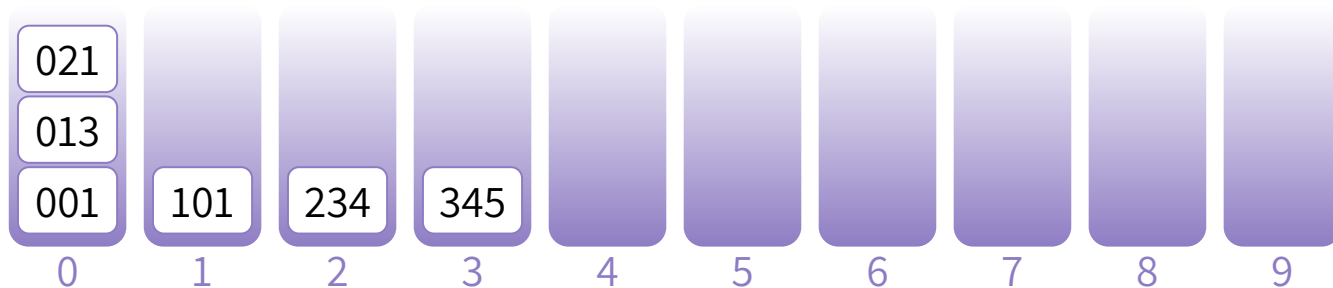
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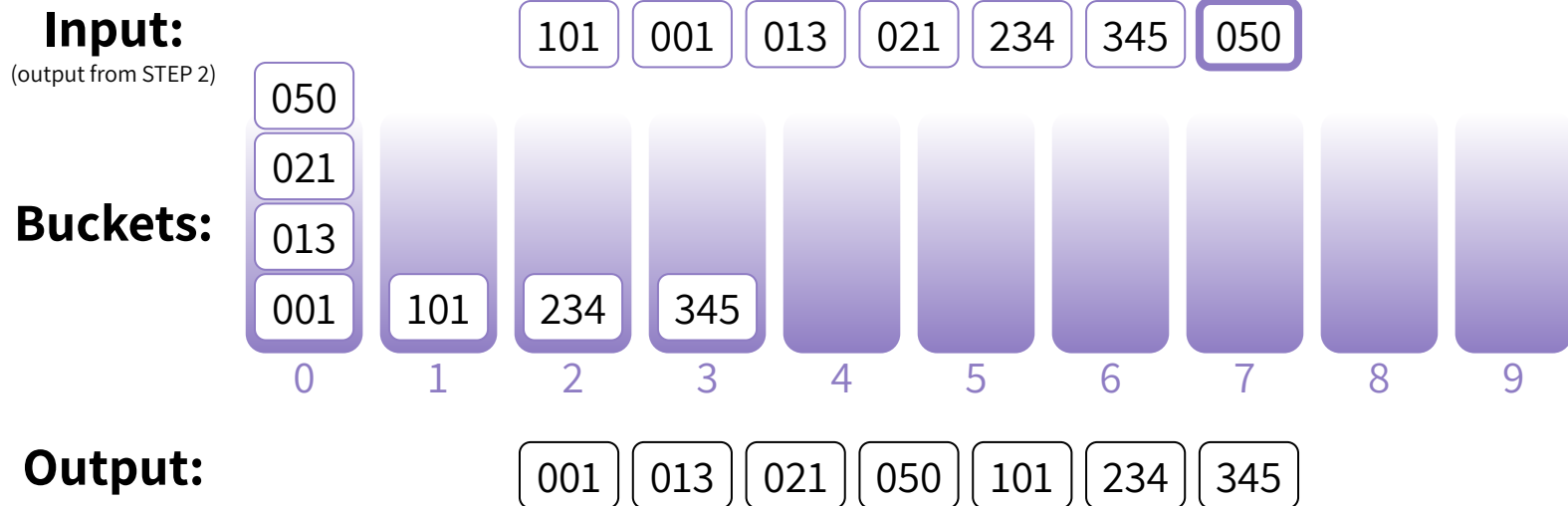
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It worked! But why does it work???

POINT TO FOCUS

- When integers are sorted according to the digit in position d .
 - Then within each pile, integers are sorted to the part of the integer extending from digit 1 to $d-1$.
 - Consider the pile 5 after third pass containing items
 - 12534, 554, 3590.
 - This pile is ordered with respect to two rightmost digits of each number

IMPLEMENTATION

```
Void RadixSort ( long data [ ], int n)
    register int d, j, k, factor;
    const int radix = 10;  const int digits = 10;
    Queue<long>  queues [ radix ];

    for ( d = 0, factor = 1; d < digits; factor *= radix, d++) {
        for ( j = 0; j < n; j++ )
            queues [ ( data [ j ] / factor ) % radix ].enqueue (data [ j ] );

        for ( j = k = 0; j < radix; j++ )
            while ( ! queues [ j ].empty ( ) )
                data [ k++ ] = queues [ j ].dequeue ( ) ;
    }
}
```

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Figure 9.15

TIME COMPLEXITY

- The algorithm does not rely on data comparison as did the previous sorting methods did.
- For each integer from *data* [], two operations are performed.
 - Division by a factor, to disregard digits following the digit *d*
 - Modulus by a radix, to disregard digits preceding the digit *d*
 - For a total of $2n$ digits = **$O(n)$** operations.
 - All integers are moved to piles and then back to *data* [],
 - For a total of $2n$ digits = **$O(n)$** moves.

TIME COMPLEXITY

- Since the implementation uses only *for* loops with counters.
 - Therefore, it requires the same amount of passes for each case.
 - Best, Average and Worst Case are equal.
- The body of the only while loop is executed n times to dequeue integers from all queues.

LIMITATIONS OF LINKED LISTS APPROACH

- The algorithm requires additional space for pointers.
 - Which is implemented as linked lists
 - Occupying kn bytes depending on the size k of the pointers.

A BETTER APPROACH

- A better approach is an array of size n for each queue.
 - This requires creating these queues only once.
- The efficiency of the algorithm depends only on the number of exchanges.
 - Copying data to the queues.
 - Copying data from the queues.
- What if **radix r** is a large number and a large amount of data has to be stored, then the solution requires r queues of size n .
 - The number $(r + 1) \cdot n$ may become unrealistically large.



A BETTER APPROACH

- The next stage orders data according to the information gathered in *queues*
 - Copies all the data from the original array to some temporary storage and then back to this array.
- The improvement is significant because the new implementation runs several times faster than the implementation that uses queues.

3. 백의 자릿수를 기준으로 각 버킷에 넣고 순서대로 뺀다.



Counting Sort

COUNTING SORT

- The Counting Sort counts the number of times each number occurs in the array `data []`.
 - Using an array `count []`.
 - `count []` is indexed with numbers from `data []`.
 - Counters indicating the number of integers $\leq i$ are added and stored in `count [i]`
 - This way `count [i] - 1` indicates the home position of `i` in `data []`.

IMPLEMENTATION

CPP FILE IS PROVIDED

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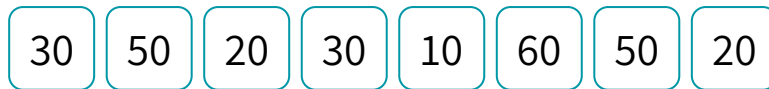
- Counting sort is linear in $\max(n, \text{largest number in data } [])$
- This means that, even for small arrays it can be very expensive
 - If at least one number in data is very large.
 - Consider: `[1, 2, 1, 10000]`.
 - Count would have 10001 cells all of them would have to be processed.
- If it can be guaranteed that all numbers in data `[]` are small
 - Then counting sort is very efficient even for very large arrays.

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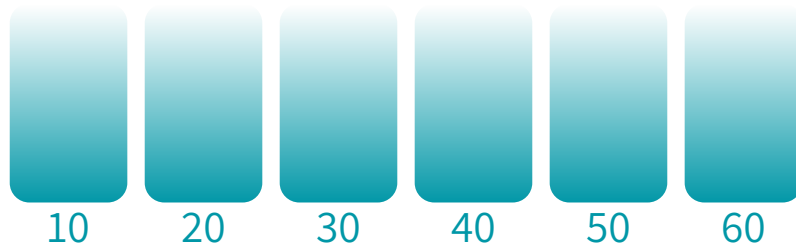
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For example: elements are integers in $\{10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60\}$

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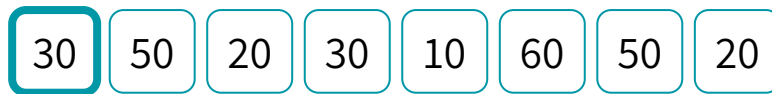


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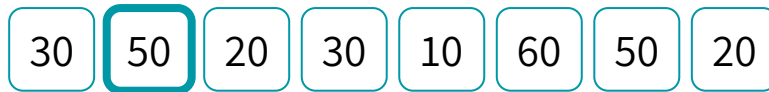


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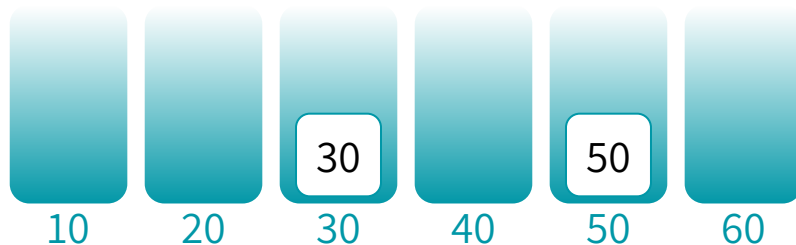
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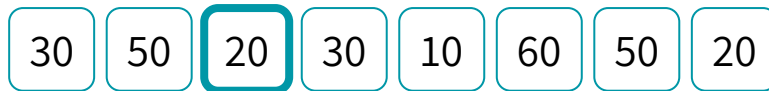


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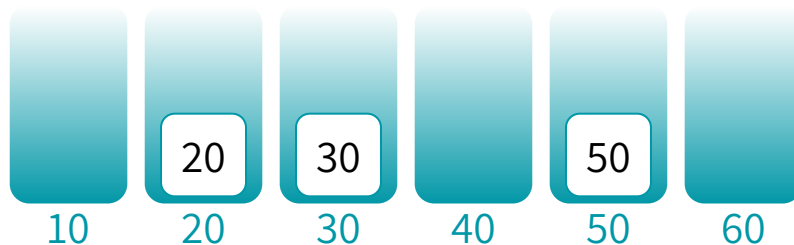
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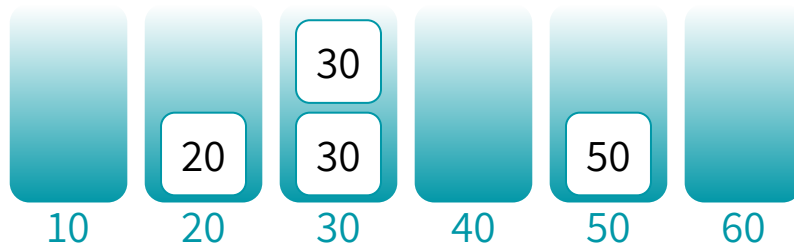
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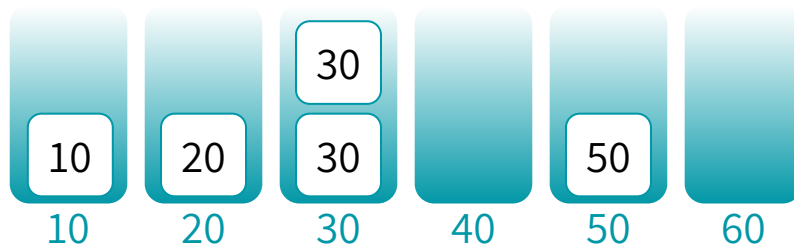
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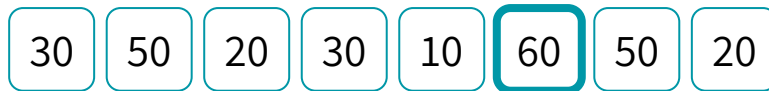


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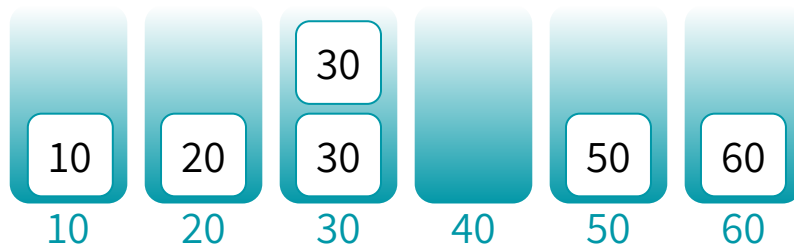
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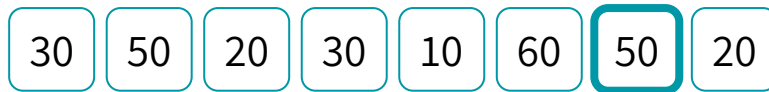


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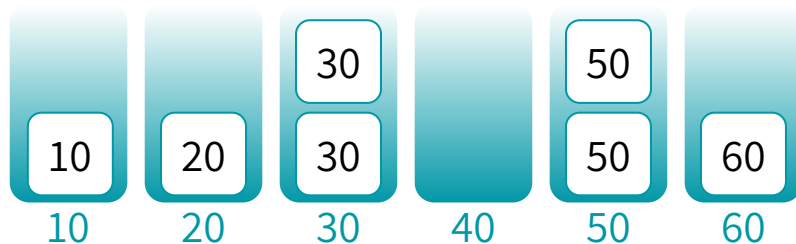
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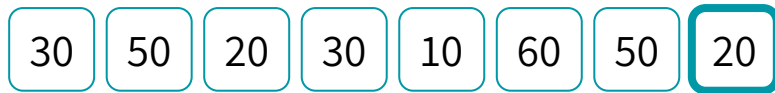


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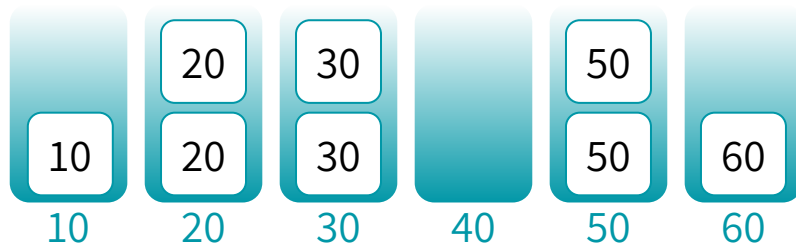
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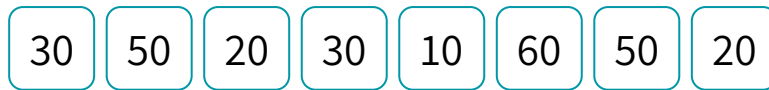


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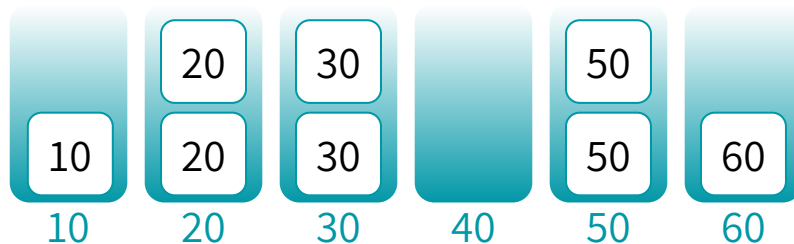
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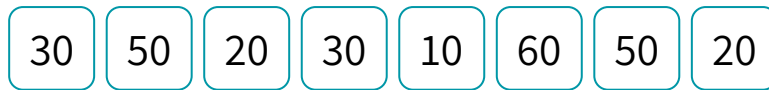
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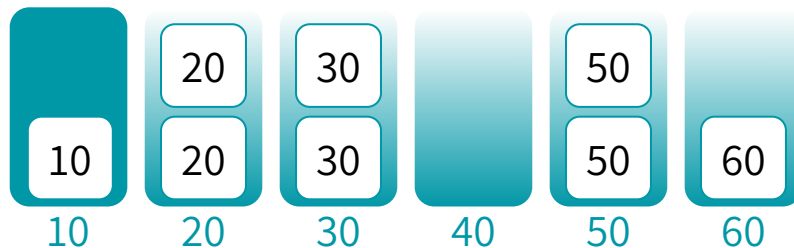
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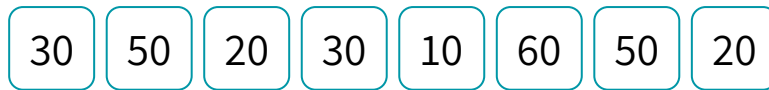


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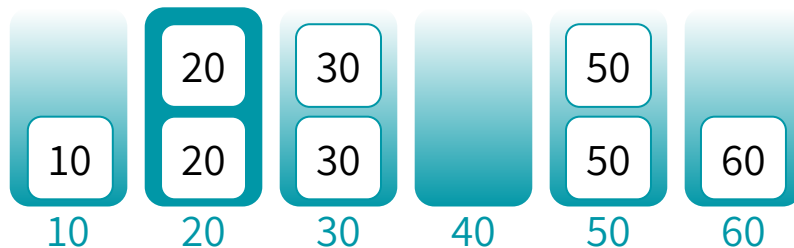
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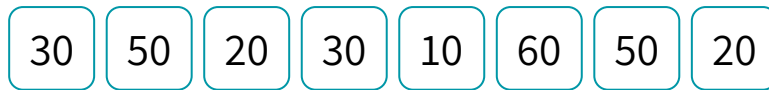


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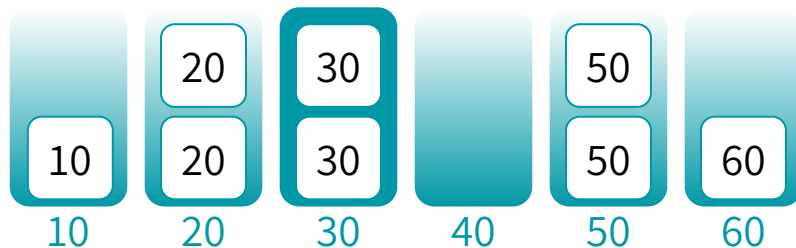
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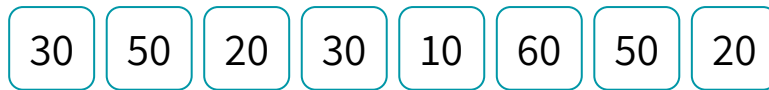


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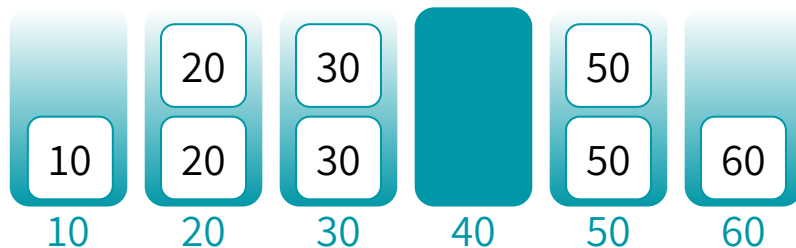
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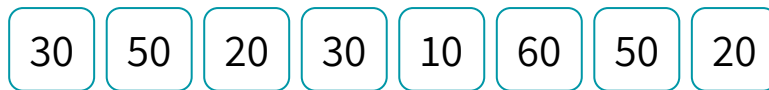


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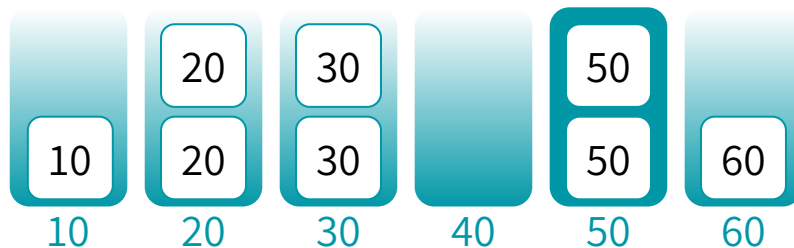
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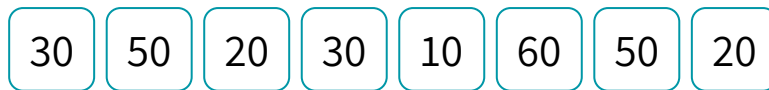


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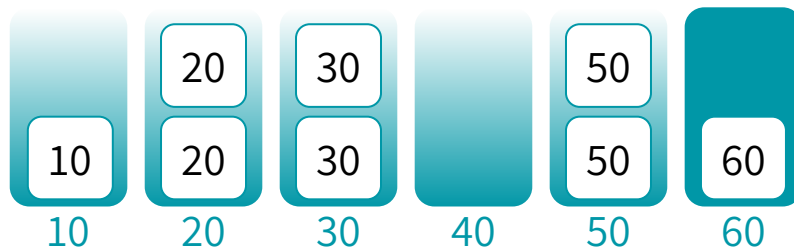
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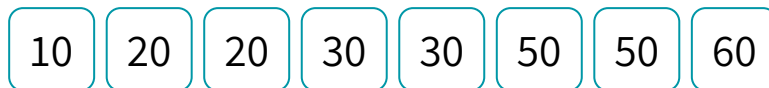
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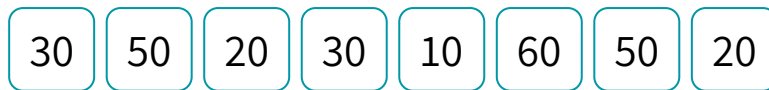


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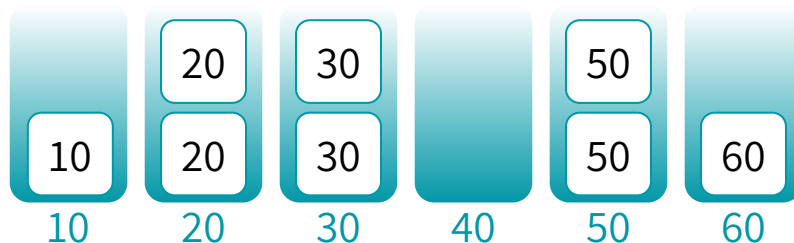
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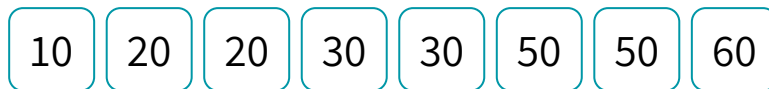
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Sorted in time:
 $O(n)$

COUNTING SORT

- Counting sort can be embedded with Radix Sort
 - Because it is stable.
 - Partial order obtained in one pass is not disturbed by a next pass.

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Figure 9.17

TIME COMPLEXITIES SORTING ALGORITHMS

Sort	Best	Average	Worst	Space	Stable
Insertion	$O(n)$	$O(n^2)$	$O(n^2)$	$O(1)$	Yes
Selection	$O(n^2)$	$O(n^2)$	$O(n^2)$	$O(1)$	No
Bubble	$O(n^2)$	$O(n^2)$	$O(n^2)$	$O(1)$	Yes
Shell	$O(n \log n)$	$O(n \log n)$	$O(n^2)$	$O(1)$	No
Quick	$O(n \log n)$	$O(n \log n)$	$O(n^2)$	$O(1)$	No
Merge	$O(n \log n)$	$O(n \log n)$	$O(n \log n)$	$O(n)$	Yes
Radix	$O(n)$	$O(d(n+r))$	$O(d(n+r))$	$O(n+b)$	Yes
Counting	$O(n)$	$O(n)$	$O(n)$	$O(n+r)$	Yes