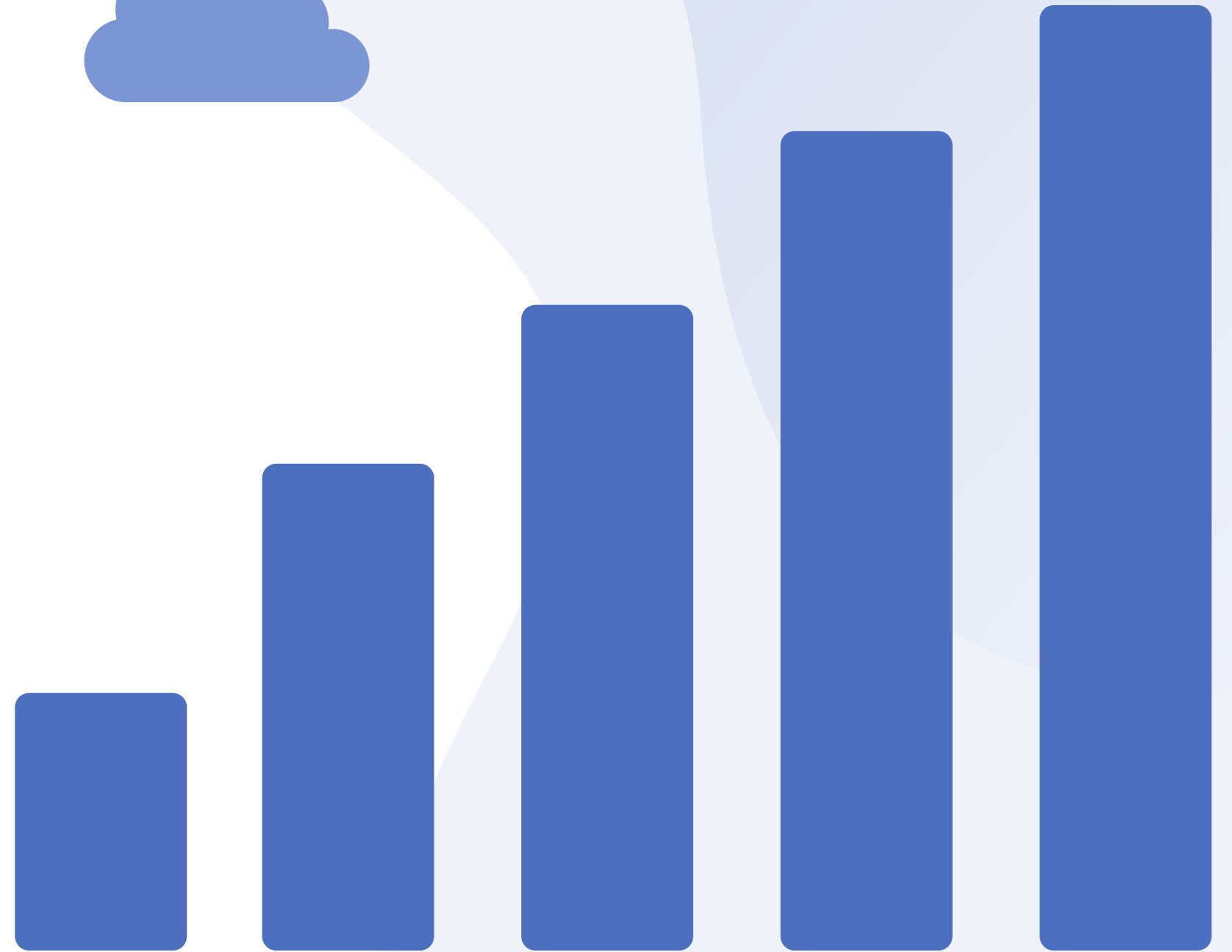


Counting Sort

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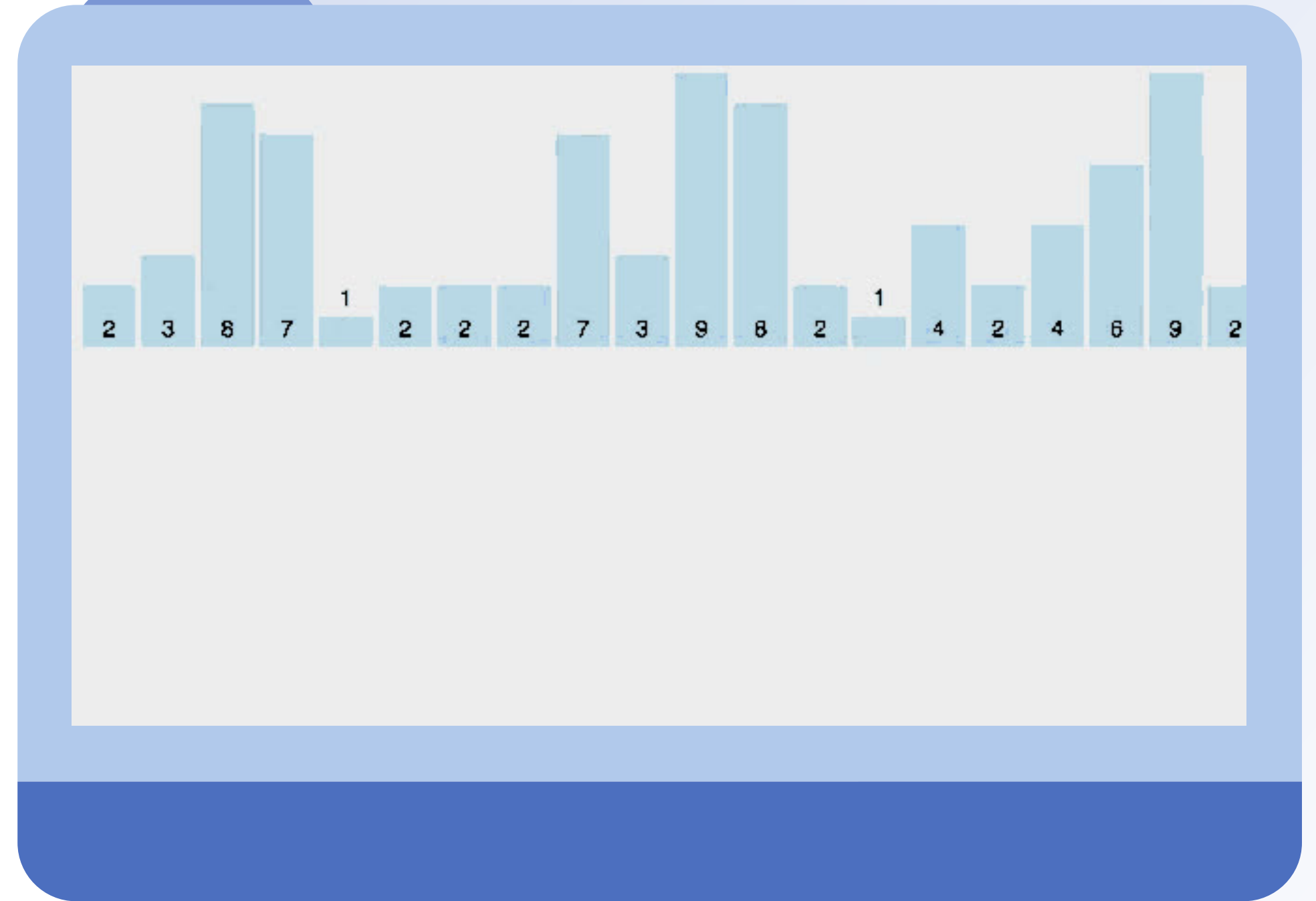


*Harold Seward first
developed Counting
Sort (and Radix Sort)
in 1954 .*



Definition

- Counting sort arranges array elements according to the number of times each distinct element appears in the array.
- It is accomplished by mapping the count as an index
- It is a non-comparison approach

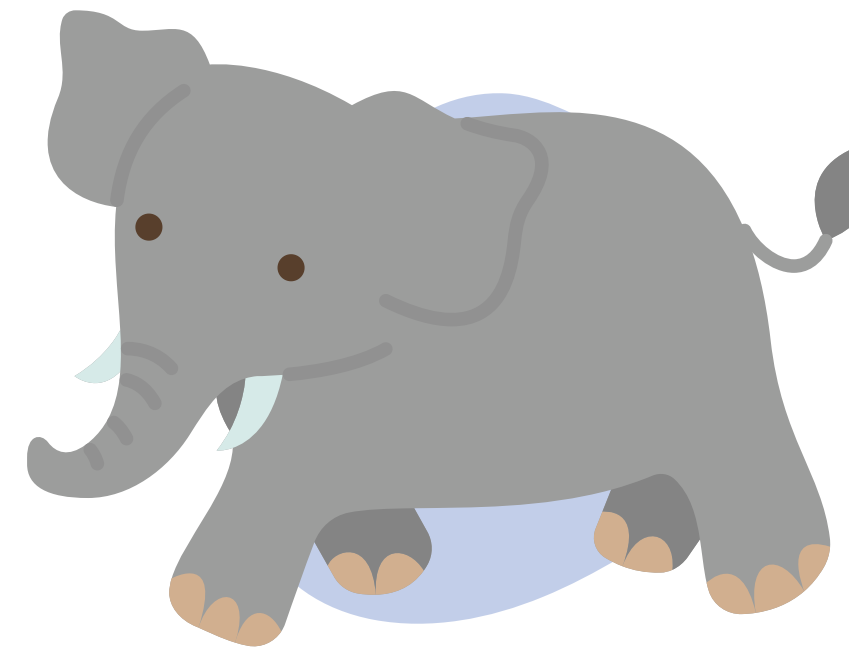


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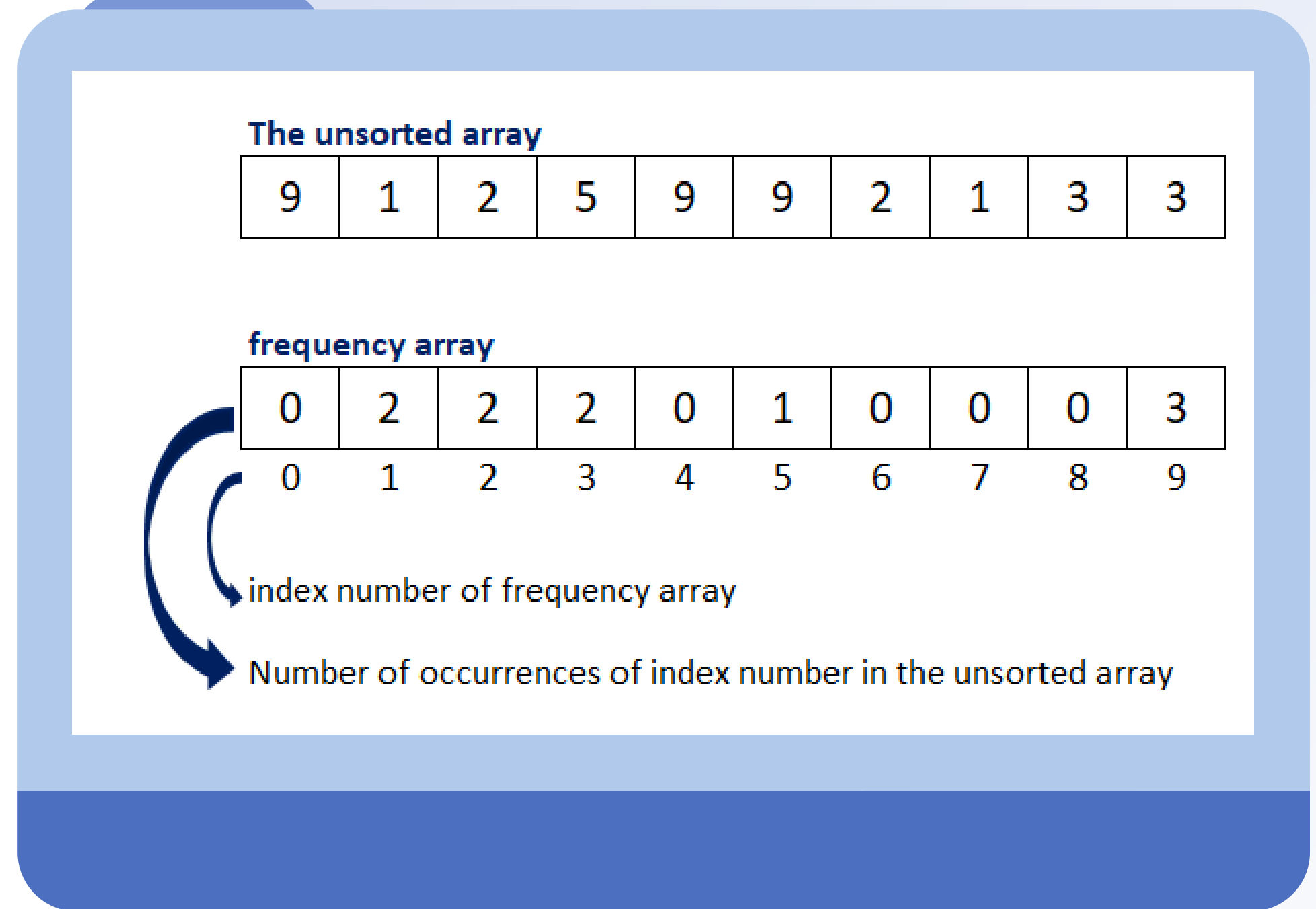
Effective when used on small-scale numbers



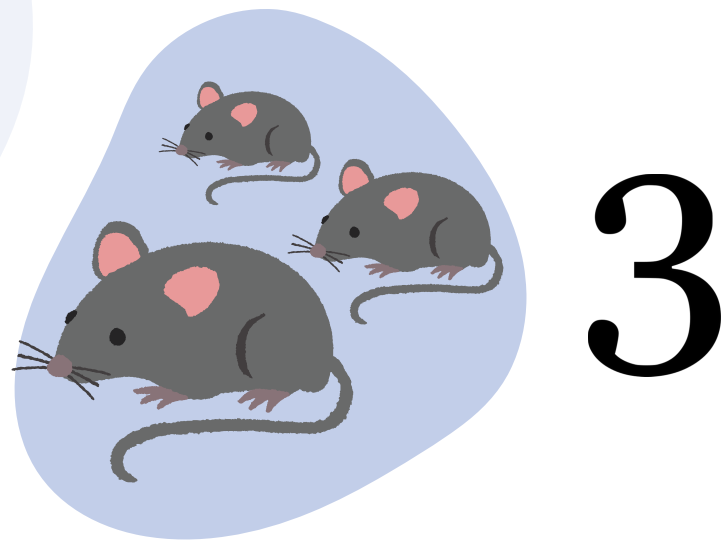
Not so when used in greater scale differences

Used when?

- The range of input values isn't significantly greater than the number of values to be sorted.
- In that scenario, the complexity of counting sort is much closer to $O(n)$, making it a linear sorting algorithm.



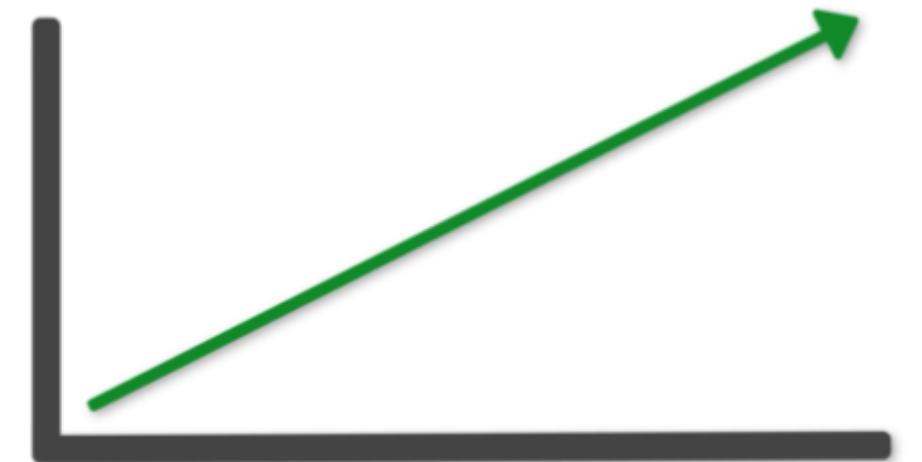
Conditions for Counting Sort



Must know the range
of the values



Can't accept negative
integers (original
code)



Linear complexity
only

Complexity: Time and Space

Time:

Best - $O(n)$

Worst - $O(k)$

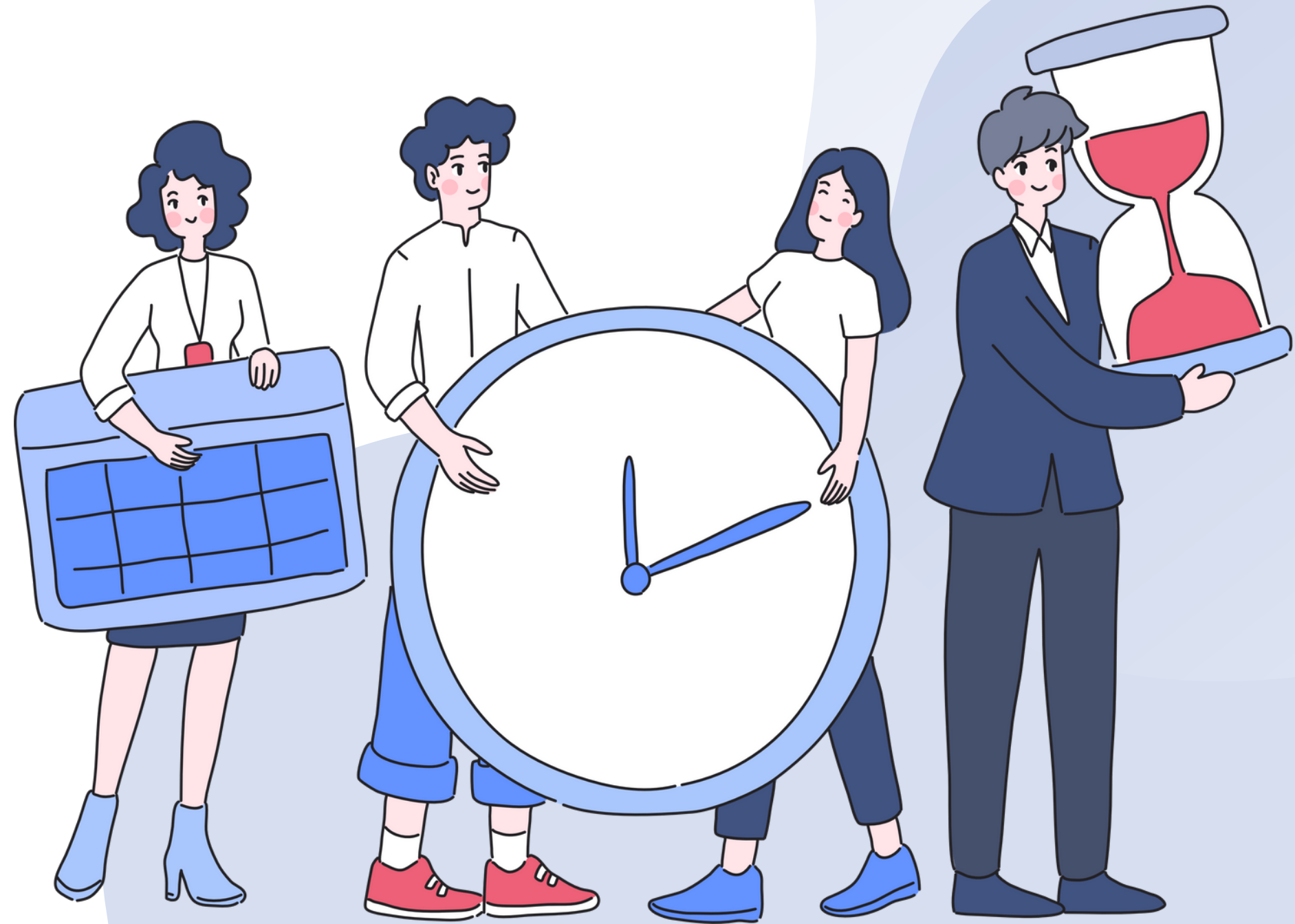
Average - $O(n+k)$

Space - $O(k)$

Where:

n - number of elements

k - range of the input



Original Version

from Algorithms 4th Edition by Robert Sedgewick, Kevin Wayne

```
int N = a.length;

String[] aux = new String[N];
int[] count = new int[R+1];

// Compute frequency counts.
for (int i = 0; i < N; i++)
    count[a[i].key() + 1]++;
// Transform counts to indices.
for (int r = 0; r < R; r++)
    count[r+1] += count[r];
// Distribute the records.
for (int i = 0; i < N; i++)
    aux[count[a[i].key()]++] = a[i];
// Copy back.
for (int i = 0; i < N; i++)
    a[i] = aux[i];
```

Key-indexed counting ($a[i].key$ is an int in $[0, R]$).

Variations

Simplified
Counting Sort

Generalized
Counting Sort



Simplified Counting Sort

```
int findMax(int array[], int SIZE) {  
    int max = array[0], x;  
  
    for (x = 1; x < SIZE; x++) {  
        if (array[x] > max)  
            max = array[x];  
    }  
}
```

```
int* countingSort(int arr[], int SIZE) {  
    int i, j, k;  
    int maxValue = findMax(arr, SIZE);  
    int count[maxValue+1]={0};  
    int newArr = (int)malloc(SIZE * sizeof(int));  
  
    for(i = 0; i < SIZE; i++){  
        count[arr[i]]++;  
    }  
  
    for(i = 0, k = 0; i < maxValue+1; i++) {  
        for(j = 0; j < count[i]; j++, k++) {  
            newArr[k] = i;  
        }  
    }  
  
    return newArr;  
}
```

Take Note

- Works only on primitive data types
- Input should only be non-negatives
- To allow negative values, apply offset technique



Generalized Counting Sort

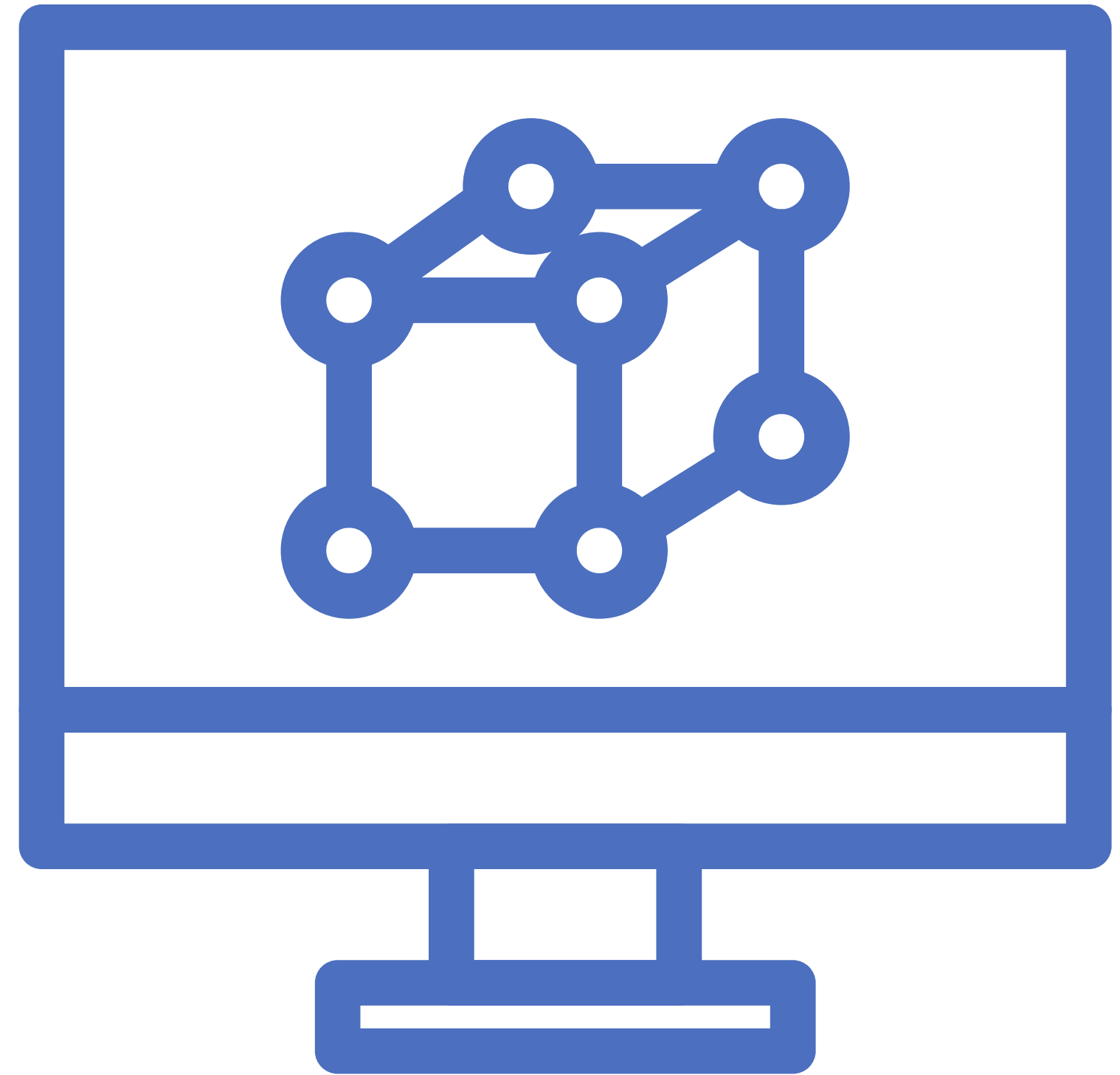
```
void countSort(int arr[], int SIZE) {  
    int i;  
    int maxValue = findMax(arr, SIZE);  
    int count[maxValue + 1]={0};  
    int newArr = (int)malloc(SIZE * sizeof(int));  
  
    for (i = 0; arr[i]; ++i)  
        ++count[arr[i]];  
  
    for (i = 1; i <= maxValue + 1; ++i)  
        count[i] += count[i - 1];  
  
    for (i = sizeof(arr)-1; i>=0; --i) {  
        newArr[count[arr[i]]-1] = arr[i];  
        --count[arr[i]];  
    }  
  
    for (i = 0; arr[i]; ++i)  
        arr[i] = newArr[i];  
}
```


Take Note

- Works on arrays of objects
- Objects have keys determined by a certain hash function or key method
- Stable algorithm



Sample Simulation



```

void countingSort(int array[], int size) {
    int output[10];
    int max = array[0];
    for (int i = 1; i < size; i++) {
        if (array[i] > max)
            max = array[i];
    }
    int count[10];
    for (int i = 0; i <= max; ++i) {
        count[i] = 0;
    }
    for (int i = 0; i < size; i++) {
        count[array[i]]++;
    }
    for (int i = 1; i <= max; i++) {
        count[i] += count[i - 1];
    }
    for (int i = size - 1; i >= 0; i--) {
        output[count[array[i]] - 1] = array[i];
        count[array[i]]--;
    }
    for (int i = 0; i < size; i++) {
        array[i] = output[i];
    }
}

```

array

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

count

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

output

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

size

8

max

5

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    for (int i = 0; i <= max; ++i) {  
        count[i] = 0;  
    }  
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        count[array[i]]++;  
    }  
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        count[i] += count[i - 1];  
    }  
    for (int i = size - 1; i >= 0; i--) {  
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<https://www.programiz.com/dsa/counting-sort>

array

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

size

8

count

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

max

8

output

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Internet Code vs. Streamline code

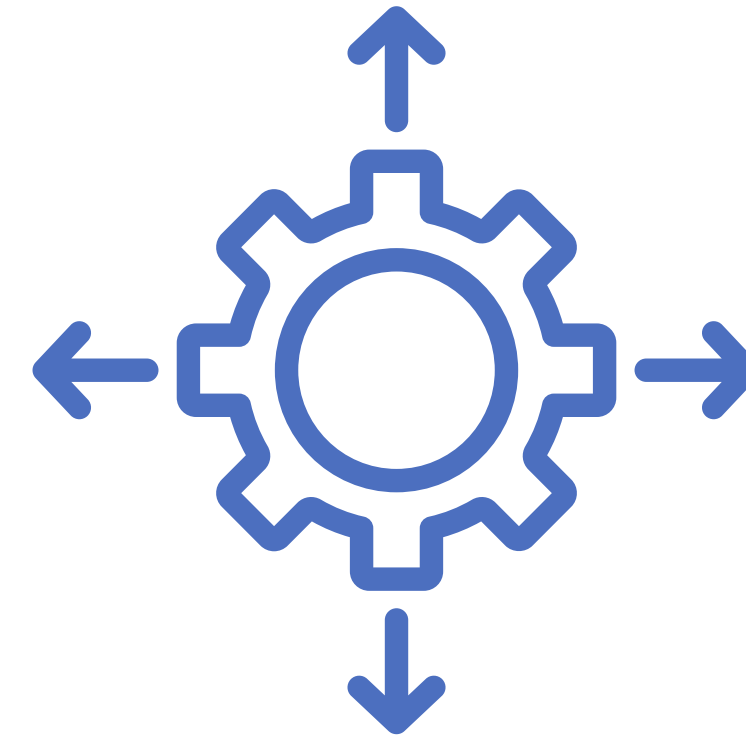


Internet Code



- Only accepts positive integers as array input
- Uses loop for assigning zero to array count

Streamline Code



- Accepts negative integer as input in the array variable
- Assignment of zero for count array no longer needs loop

```

void countingSort(int array[], int size) {
    int output[10];
    int max = array[0];
    for (int i = 1; i < size; i++) {
        if (array[i] > max)
            max = array[i];
    }
    int count[10];
    for (int i = 0; i <= max; ++i) {
        count[i] = 0;
    }
    for (int i = 0; i < size; i++) {
        count[array[i]]++;
    }
    for (int i = 1; i <= max; i++) {
        count[i] += count[i - 1];
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    }
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    }
}

```

```

void countingSort(int array[], int size) {
    int x, min = 0, max = 0;
    int *newArr = (int*)malloc(size * sizeof(int));
    for(x = 0; x < size; x++) {
        if(min > array[x])
            min = array[x];
    }
    for(x=0; x< size; x++){
        if(array[x] > max)
            max = arr[x];
    }
    min *= -1;
    int newRange = (max+1) + min;
    int* count = (int*)calloc(newRange, sizeof(int));
    for(x = 0; x < size; x++){
        count[array[x] + min]++;
    }
    for(x = 1; x < newRange; x++){
        count[x] += count[x - 1];
    }
    for(x = 0; x < size; x++) {
        newArr[count[array[x] + min] - 1] = array[x];
        count[array[x] + min]--;
    }
    for(x=0; x < size; x++){
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    }
    free(count);
}

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        count[array[x] + min]--;
    }
    for(x=0; x < size; x++){
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    }
    free(count);
}

```

INPUT

```
int arr[] = {-1,-5,-17,-17,2,3,8,7,1,2,2,2,-2,-1,7,3,9,8,2,1,4};
```

OUTPUT

```
PROBLEMS  OUTPUT  DEBUG CONSOLE  TERMINAL
[Running] cd "/Users/maileano/Documents/Algo/" && gcc countsort.c -o countsort && "/Users/maileano/Documents/Algo/"countsort
-17 -17 -5 -2 -1 -1 1 1 2 2 2 2 2 3 3 4 7 7 8 8 9
[Done] exited with code=0 in 0.337 seconds
```



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