

# Sorting Methods III

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# Non Comparison Based Sorting Methods

Some examples:

1. Counting Sort
2. Radix Sort
3. Bucket Sort
4. Reading: CLRS Chapter 8 and Chapter 9

**Note the assumption(s) each of these methods made**

# Counting Sort: Ideas

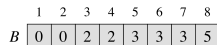
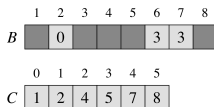
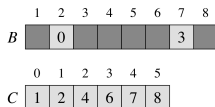
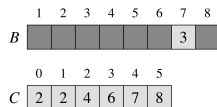
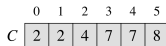
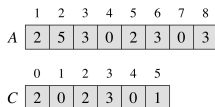


Figure : How Counting Sort Works

# Counting Sort: Pseudocode

```
COUNTING-SORT( $A, B, n, k$ )  
  let  $C[0..k]$  be a new array  
  for  $i = 0$  to  $k$   
     $C[i] = 0$   
  for  $j = 1$  to  $n$   
     $C[A[j]] = C[A[j]] + 1$   
  for  $i = 1$  to  $k$   
     $C[i] = C[i] + C[i - 1]$   
  for  $j = n$  downto  $1$   
     $B[C[A[j]]] = A[j]$   
     $C[A[j]] = C[A[j]] - 1$ 
```

Figure : Pseudocode: Counting Sort

Worst Case Complexity:  $\Theta(k + n)$  time

## Radix Sort: Idea

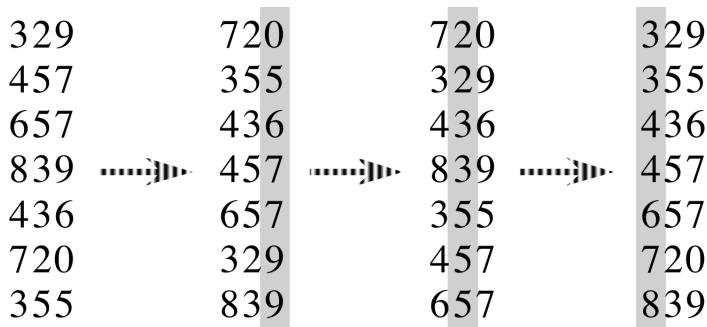


Figure : Radix Sort: Ideas

# Radix Sort: Pseudocode and Complexity

**RADIX-SORT**( $A, d$ )

```
1  for  $i = 1$  to  $d$   
2      use a stable sort to sort array  $A$  on digit  $i$ 
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## ***Lemma 8.3***

Given  $n$   $d$ -digit numbers in which each digit can take on up to  $k$  possible values, **RADIX-SORT** correctly sorts these numbers in  $\Theta(d(n + k))$  time if the stable sort it uses takes  $\Theta(n + k)$  time.

Figure : Radix Sort Results

# Bucket Sort: Idea

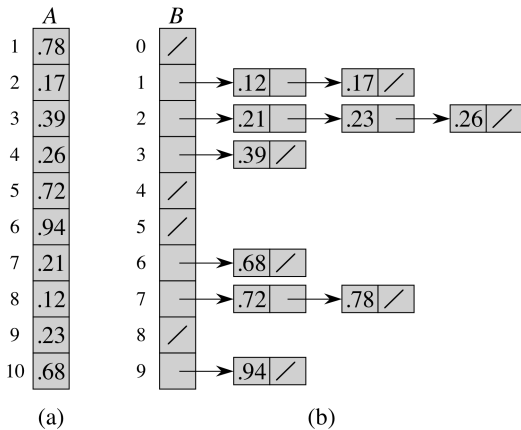


Figure : Bucket Sort: Ideas

# Bucket Sort: Pseudocode and Complexity

BUCKET-SORT( $A$ )

```
1  let  $B[0..n-1]$  be a new array
2   $n = A.length$ 
3  for  $i = 0$  to  $n - 1$ 
4      make  $B[i]$  an empty list
5  for  $i = 1$  to  $n$ 
6      insert  $A[i]$  into list  $B[\lfloor nA[i] \rfloor]$ 
7  for  $i = 0$  to  $n - 1$ 
8      sort list  $B[i]$  with insertion sort
9  concatenate the lists  $B[0], B[1], \dots, B[n-1]$  together in order
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Figure : Pseudocode    Note: *Average Case Running Time:  $O(n)$*



# Selection Problems

**Discussions:** Can we improve quick sort so that the worst case running time is  $O(n \lg n)$  ?

What if we can *select* the **median** as *pivot* each time when we perform the partition step ?

# The Select algorithm: Ideas

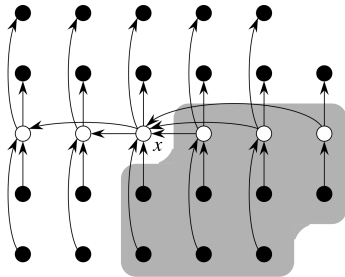


Figure : The ideas behind the algorithm Select

# The Select algorithm: Sketches of Pseudocode

The SELECT algorithm determines the  $i$ th smallest of an input array of  $n > 1$  distinct elements by executing the following steps. (If  $n = 1$ , then SELECT merely returns its only input value as the  $i$ th smallest.)

1. Divide the  $n$  elements of the input array into  $\lfloor n/5 \rfloor$  groups of 5 elements each and at most one group made up of the remaining  $n \bmod 5$  elements.
2. Find the median of each of the  $\lfloor n/5 \rfloor$  groups by first insertion-sorting the elements of each group (of which there are at most 5) and then picking the median from the sorted list of group elements.
3. Use SELECT recursively to find the median  $x$  of the  $\lfloor n/5 \rfloor$  medians found in step 2. (If there are an even number of medians, then by our convention,  $x$  is the lower median.)
4. Partition the input array around the median-of-medians  $x$  using the modified version of PARTITION. Let  $k$  be one more than the number of elements on the low side of the partition, so that  $x$  is the  $k$ th smallest element and there are  $n - k$  elements on the high side of the partition.
5. If  $i = k$ , then return  $x$ . Otherwise, use SELECT recursively to find the  $i$ th smallest element on the low side if  $i < k$ , or the  $(i - k)$ th smallest element on the high side if  $i > k$ .

Figure : The algorithm Select: Main Steps