

# Linear time sorting

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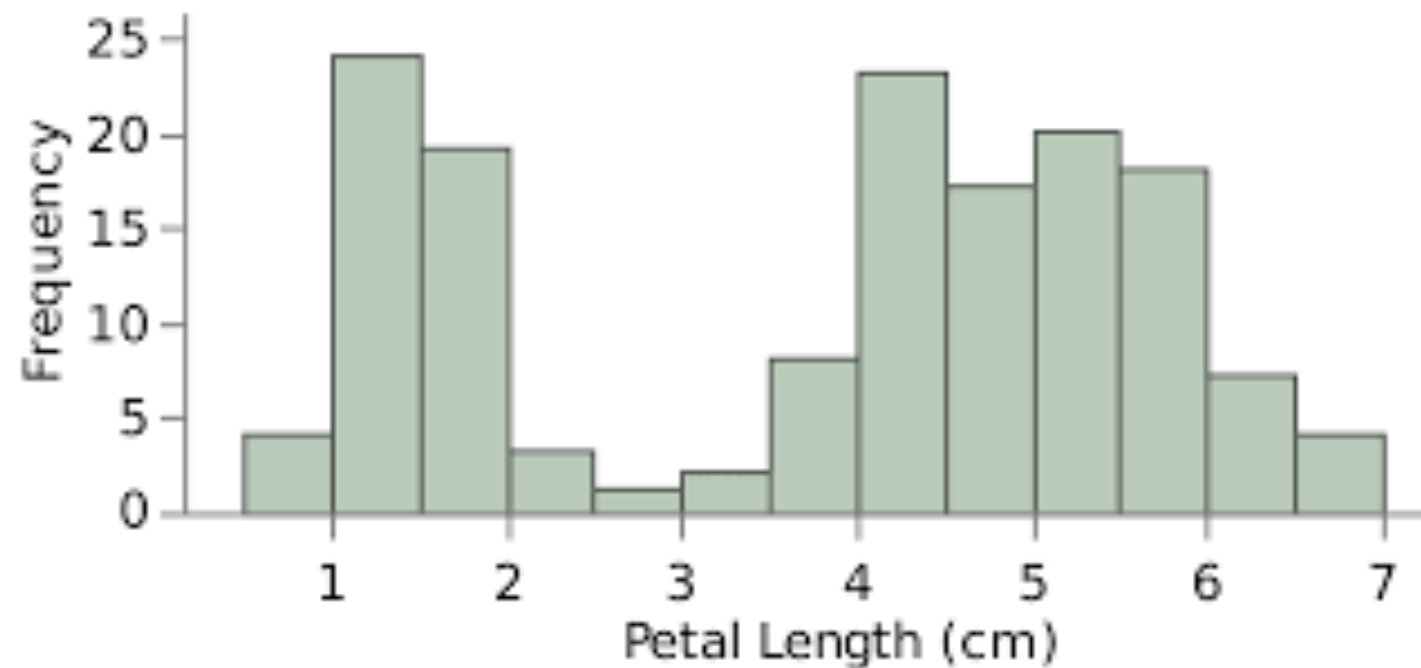
# Today

- counting sort
- bucket sort
- radix sort

Last time...  
How would you sort...

1 trillion integers, all of which are between 1 and 10?

# Counting sort



idea  
build a  
histogram

**input:** list of integers, **upper bound on these ints**

**output:** list of integers, sorted

Time:  $\Theta(n+k)$ ,  $n$  = number of ints,  $k$  = upper bound

# Bucket sort

**input:** list of integers

**a function by which to sort by**  
**upper bound on the range of the function**

**output:** list of integers, sorted according to the function



number of  
buckets

Time:  **$\Theta(n+B)$** ,  $n$  = number of ints,  $B$  = upper bound  
of sort-by function

# Stable sorting algorithm

a sorting algorithm which preserves the input order among equal elements.

Bucket sort is stable. Why?

# Card sort

<https://youtu.be/VQueCt114Gk?t=261>

# Radix sort

**input:** list of integers, **upper bound on these ints**

**algorithm parameter** : radix or base  $b$

**output:** list of integers, sorted

Time:  $\Theta(dn)$ ,  $n$  = number of ints, input values  $\leq n^d$