

Counting sort treats the element as just one digit

## Radix Sort

From least to most significant digit  
 $d = 0$  to  $b-1$

apply counting sort where we access digit  $d$

ex

329  
457  
657  
839  
436  
720  
355

→  
phase 0  
using  
counting  
sort on  
digit 0

720  
355  
436  
457  
657  
329  
839

phase  
1  
→  
place  
1

720  
329  
436  
839  
355  
457  
657

→  
look  
at  
place  
2

329  
355  
436  
457  
657  
720  
839

# Radix Counting Sort (input, output, k) {

for d = 0 to #digits - 1

int n = input.length;

for (i = 0; i < k; i++)

count[i] = 0;

for (j = 0; j < n; j++)

count[input[j]]++;

for (i = 1; i < k; i++)

count[i] += count[i-1];

for (j = n-1; j >= 0; j--)

output[--count[input[j]]] = input[j];

radix  
sort }

digitizer.getDigit(input[j], d) current digit

array of same length

at end

count[i] is # of elements that are  $\leq i$

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## Correctness Highlights.

Prove following holds using induction

After first  $p$  phases, numbers  
when looking at least significant  
 $p$  digits are sorted

base: true after 1 phase by <sup>correctness of</sup> counting sort

inductive step: combined inductive hyp,  
correctness of counting sort + stability of counting sort

What's the asymptotic time complexity?

$n$  # elements

$d$  max # of digits of elements  
(pad accordingly within digitizer)

$b$  base of each digit ( $0, 1, \dots, b-1$ )

$$\Theta(d(n+b))$$

Return to the ex.

$n = \#$  social security #s to sort

$d = 9$   
 $b = 10$  ) treat each base-10  
digit as a digit  
for radix sort

$$\Theta(\underline{9}(n+10)) = \Theta(n)$$

$$\Theta(9(n+10))$$

$\underbrace{XXX}_{\text{base 1000 number}} \underbrace{XXX}_{\text{digit}} \underbrace{XXX}_{\text{digit}}$

0, ..., 999

roughly  
3 times  
faster  
for "large" n

Time complexity with the digitizer

$$\Theta(3(n+1000))$$

Consider sorting #s that begin  
in binary (base 2)

$n$  #s

$b$  bits ( $b=32$ , 32-bit #)

group  $r$  bits into a digit

$$\# \text{ digits} = \frac{b}{r}$$

$$\text{base per digit} = 2^r$$



$$\Theta\left(\frac{b}{r}(n+2^r)\right)$$

time complexity

$$\frac{C \cdot b}{r}(n+2^r)$$

} could even work out constants more carefully

min with respect to  $r$ .

roughly optimizes when  $r = \Theta(\log_2 n)$

# ADT Taxonomy Part II

Note Title

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## Plan for today

- Finish discussion of radix sort
- Briefly discuss bucket sort
- Return to ADT Taxonomy
- Introduce Set ADT  
(if time permits)

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protected void radixSortImpl(Digitizer<? super E> digitizer) {
    Object[] from = new Object[getSize()];           //elements start in from
    Object[] to = new Object[getSize()];           //placed in sorted order into to
    int b = digitizer.getBase();                   //base for digitizer
    int count[] = new int[b];                     //counter for each possible value
    int numDigits = 0;                             //maximum number of digits in any element
    for (int i = 0; i < getSize(); i++) {
        from[i] = a[getPosition(i)];               //move position i into index i of from
        numDigits = max(numDigits, digitizer.numDigits((E) from[i]));
    }
    for (int d = 0; d < numDigits; d++) {          //digit to use in current pass
        Arrays.fill(count, 0);                     //reset all counts to 0
        for (Object x : from)                      //count # elements with
            count[digitizer.getDigit((E) x, d)]++; //each value for digit d
        for (int i = 1; i < b; i++)                //update to cumulative count
            count[i] += count[i-1];
        for (int i = getSize()-1; i ≥ 0; i--)      //put elements in array to
            to[-count[digitizer.getDigit((E) from[i], d)]] = from[i];
        Object[] temp = from; from = to; to = temp; //swap the "from" and "to" arrays
    }
    for (int i = 0; i < getSize(); i++)            //put sorted elements back into the collection
        put(getPosition(i), from[i]);
    version.increment();                           //invalidate locators for iteration
}

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Counting  
Sort

Optimizing radix sort

time complexity  $C \cdot \frac{b}{r} (n + 2^r)$

# bits  $\rightarrow$   $b$

base for a  $r$ -bit digit  $\rightarrow$   $r$

# bits/digit  $\rightarrow$   $\frac{b}{r}$

intuitively want to set  $r$  so  $n = 2^r$  so you reduce # digits while not making base too high

Solving for  $r$  in  $n = 2^r$  yields  $r = \log_2 n$

Example: let  $c=5$ ,  $n=1,000,000$   
 32 bit numbers

	<u># bits / digit</u>	<u># digits</u>	<u>base<sup>k</sup></u>	<u><math>c \cdot d(n+k)</math></u>
basic radix sort	1	32	2	160,000,300
	2	16	4	80,000,320
	4	8	16	40,000,640
	8	4	256	20,005,120
	16	2	65536	10,655,360
Counting Sort	32	1	$> 4 \times 10^9$	$> 4,000,000,000$

What are the limitations of radix sort?

Requires that you can digitize all elements.

Instead of using a comparator to compare entire elements, a digitizer is used to extract each digit.

Think about these costs.