

# Sorting Practice – Count sort, Radix sort, Bucket sort - SOLUTION

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For all sorting algorithms: **Time and Space complexity. Stable? Adaptive? (Data moves)**

**NCS1.** (6 points) You are using count sort to sort an array of N numbers, where each number is from the range [0,M]. What is the time complexity (as Theta) of the number of data moves? (For example swapping two records requires 3 data moves.). Briefly justify your answer.

**“Data” are the records in the original array, A. => 2N moves (N to put in sorted order in the copy array and another N to copy back into A.) =>  $\Theta(N)$**

**NCS2.** (9 points) (Radix sort)

Show how **LSD radix sort** sorts the following numbers in the given representation (base 10). Show the numbers after each complete round of count sort.

Index:	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
Original Array:	513	145	320	235	141	433	2
	320	141	2	513	433	145	235
	2	513	320	433	235	141	145
	2	141	145	235	320	433	513

**NCS3.** (4 points) What is the operation you do to map/scale values from range [A,B] to range [X,Y]? You can assume that  $A < B$  and  $X < Y$ . (E.g. [47,49] -> [20,30], [5,10] -> [21,23])

**new** =  $\frac{curr-A}{B-A}(Y-X) + X$  (**wrong with  $X-Y$ :  $\frac{curr-A}{B-A}(X-Y) + X$** ) See slides for more details.

**NCS4.** (5 pts) Assume you want to use bucket sort to sort an array A, that has integers in the range [-100, 350]. (i.e.  $A[i] \geq -100$  and  $A[i] \leq 350$ , for all valid i). You will use 50 buckets. Write the formula to find the index, `bucketIdx`, for the bucket where A[i] should go.

Make sure you indicate any rounding (up or down) if necessary.

$$bucketIdx = \left\lfloor \frac{A[i] - (-100)}{1 + 350 - (-100)} * 50 \right\rfloor \quad \text{where } \lfloor \rfloor \text{ means rounded down}$$

**NCS5.** (6 pts) Fill in the arrays to show the required processing with count sort for the data below.

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
Original array	C, Alice	B, Jane	A, Jane	F, John	A, Matt	D, Sam	B, Tom

Counts array after part 1 (counts of each key):

Index:	0	1	2	3	4	5
	A	B	C	D	E	F
Counts array:	2	2	1	1	0	1

Counts array after part 2 (after cumulative sum):

Index:	0	1	2	3	4	5
	A	B	C	D	E	F
Counts array:	2	4	5	6	6	7

Show the counts array and the copy array after each of the next 2 big steps of count sort as shown in slide 6 (i.e. after a first element is placed in the copy array, and after a second element is placed in the copy array). Create columns as needed in the tables below.

Index:	0	1	2	3	4	5
	A	B	C	D	E	F
Counts array:	2	3	5	6	6	7
Counts array:	2	3	5	5	6	7

Index:	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
Copy array:				B, Tom			
Copy array:				B, Tom		D, Sam	

**NCS6.** a) We run bucket sort (version covered in class) on the array [0.3, 0.15, 0.27, 0.8, 0.61]. How many buckets will be created? What are the elements in each bucket? ? Here we assume the numbers in the array are in the range [0,1) and we map these to the bucket indexes (like in the pseudocode). We do NOT use the min and max from the array.

When giving the elements in a bucket, give them in SORTED order, separated by commas and with no extra spaces. Say *empty* if the bucket is empty.

5 buckets (The default is to use as many as the number of elements in the array)

Formula for finding the bucket:  $\text{floor}(\text{elem} * \text{buckets})$  (e.g.  $\text{floor}(0.3 * 5) = \text{floor}(1.5) = 1$ ,  $\text{floor}(0.15 * 5) = 0$ , etc)

Bucket[0]: 0.15

Bucket[1]: 0.27, 0.3,

Bucket[2]: empty

Bucket[3]: 0.61, ~~0.8~~

Bucket[4]: 0.8 ~~empty~~

b) What if 10 buckets were created?

Bucket[0]: empty

Bucket[1]: 0.15

Bucket[2]: 0.27

Bucket[3]: 0.3

Bucket[4]: empty

Bucket[5]: empty

Bucket[6]: 0.61

Bucket[7]: empty

Bucket[8]: 0.8

Bucket[9]: empty