Counting Sort 1

Comparison Sorting

Quicksort usually has a running time of $n \times log(n)$, but is there an algorithm that can sort even faster? In general, this is not possible. Most sorting algorithms are *comparison sorts*, i.e. they sort a list just by comparing the elements to one another. A comparison sort algorithm cannot beat $n \times log(n)$ (worst-case) running time, since $n \times log(n)$ represents the minimum number of comparisons needed to know where to place each element. For more details, you can see these notes (PDF).

Alternative Sorting

Another sorting method, the *counting sort*, does not require comparison. Instead, you create an integer array whose index range covers the entire range of values in your array to sort. Each time a value occurs in the original array, you increment the counter at that index. At the end, run through your counting array, printing the value of each non-zero valued index that number of times.

Example

 $arr = \left[1, 1, 3, 2, 1
ight]$

All of the values are in the range [0...3], so create an array of zeros, result = [0, 0, 0, 0]. The results of each iteration follow:

i	arr[i]	result				
0	1	[0,	1,	Ο,	0]	
1	1	[0,	2,	Ο,	0]	
2	3	[0,	2,	Ο,	1]	
3	2	[0,	2,	1,	1]	
4	1	[0,	З,	1,	1]	

The frequency array is [0, 3, 1, 1]. These values can be used to create the sorted array as well: sorted = [1, 1, 1, 2, 3].

Note

For this exercise, always return a frequency array with 100 elements. The example above shows only the first 4 elements, the remainder being zeros.

Challenge

Given a list of integers, count and return the number of times each value appears as an array of integers.

Function Description

Complete the *countingSort* function in the editor below.

countingSort has the following parameter(s):

• arr[n]: an array of integers

Returns

• int[100]: a frequency array

Input Format

The first line contains an integer n, the number of items in arr. Each of the next n lines contains an integer arr[i] where $0 \le i < n$.

Constraints

 $egin{arr} 100 \leq n \leq 10^6 \ 0 \leq arr[i] < 100 \end{array}$

Sample Input

100	
63 25 73 1 98 73 56 84 86 57 16 83 8 25 81 56 9 53 98 67 99 12 83 89 80 91 39 86 76 85 74 39 25 90 59 10 5)4
32 44 3 89 30 27 79 46 96 27 32 18 21 92 69 81 40 40 34 68 78 24 87 42 69 23 41 78 22 6 90 99 89 50 30 20	1
43 3 70 95 33 46 44 9 69 48 33 60 65 16 82 67 61 32 21 79 75 75 13 87 70 33	

Sample Output

Explanation

Each of the resulting values result[i] represents the number of times i appeared in arr.