Counting sort

Counting-sort(A, B, k): Given input array A and k such that $0 \le A[i] \le k$ for all i $(1 \le i \le length(A))$, outputs the sorted permutation of A in array B.

Counting-sort(A, B, k):

- 1. % the following for-loop initializes counting array C:
- 2. for x from 0 to k do

3. $C[x] \leftarrow 0$

- 4. end for
- 5. % the next for-loop makes each C[x] be the number of i such that A[i] = x:
- 6. for *i* from 1 to length(A) do

7.
$$C[A[i]] \leftarrow C[A[i]] + 1$$

- 8. end for
- 9. % sum up: each C[x] will be the number of i such that $A[i] \leq x$:
- 10. for x from 1 to k do

11.
$$C[x] \leftarrow C[x] + C[x-1]$$

- 12. end for
- 13. % now put each A[i] into the right place:
- 14. for *i* from length(A) down to 1 do

15.
$$B[C[A[i]]] \leftarrow A[i]$$

16. $C[A[i]] \leftarrow C[A[i]] - 1$

17. end for