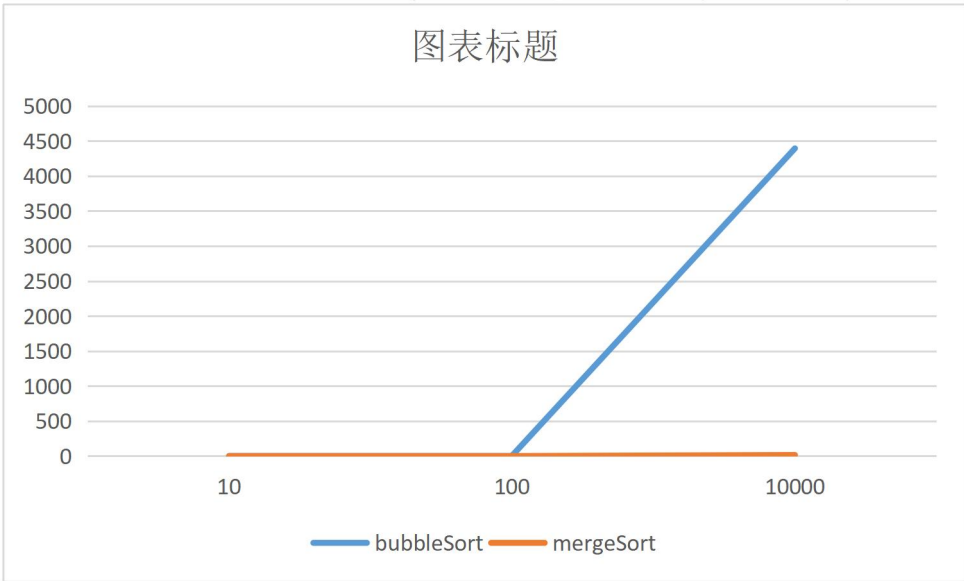


	10	100	10000
bubbleSort	0	4	4394
mergeSort	0	0	15



BubbleSort and MergeSort Complexity Reflection

When examining the performance of sorting algorithms,it's crucial to consider their time complexity in relation to the size of the input data.BubbleSort and MergeSort offer a stark contrast in this regard.BubbleSort has a time complexity of $O(n^2)$,where n is the number of items to be sorted.This quadratic growth means that as the input size increases,the time required to sort the data grows exponentially.In practice,this makes BubbleSort inefficient for large datasets.The sortComparison results for sort10.txt,sort1000.txt,and sort10000.txt clearly demonstrate this trend,with execution times increasing dramatically as the file size grows from 10 to 10,000 elements.

On the other hand,MergeSort exhibits a more favorable time complexity of $O(n \log n)$,which is significantly better than BubbleSort's for large input sizes.The divide-and-conquer approach of MergeSort allows it to break down the sorting task into smaller,more manageable sub-problems,and then merge them back together in a sorted manner.This methodical approach results in a much more scalable algorithm that performs consistently well across the different input sizes tested.The sortComparison results reflect this,showing that MergeSort's execution time increases at a much slower rate compared to BubbleSort,especially as the number of elements grows into the thousands.

The image plot included in this document visually represents these performance differences,with two distinct lines representing the execution times of BubbleSort and MergeSort.The plot vividly illustrates the exponential growth of BubbleSort and the logarithmic growth of MergeSort,highlighting the importance of choosing the right algorithm based on the expected input size.As the complexity discussion and the results from sortComparison indicate,for small datasets,the difference in performance may be negligible,but as the dataset grows,the efficiency of MergeSort becomes increasingly apparent.