

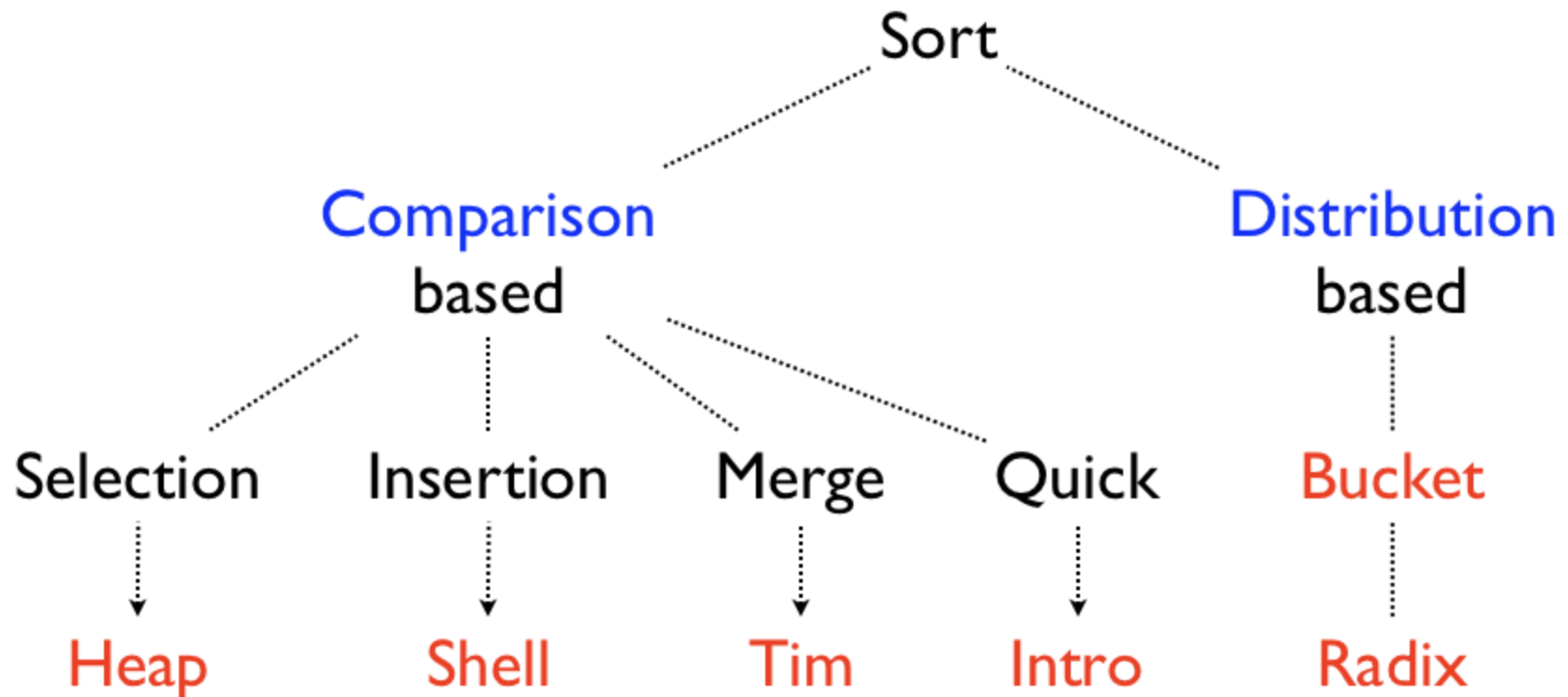
Sort: Distribution-based

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Sorting Algorithms

- What is the best sorting algorithm?



Bucket Sort

Source: `BucketSort.java`

```
public abstract class BucketSort<T extends Comparable<T>> extends AbstractSort<T> {  
    protected List<Deque<T>> buckets;  
  
    /** @param numBuckets the total number of buckets. */  
    public BucketSort(int numBuckets) {  
        super(null);  
  
        buckets = Stream.generate(ArrayDeque<T>::new)  
                        .limit(numBuckets)  
                        .collect(Collectors.toList());  
    }  
}
```

- Comparator?
- How many buckets need to be initialized?
- Base API: `ArrayDeque` .

```

protected void sort(T[] array, int beginIndex, int endIndex, Function<T, T> f) {
    // add each element in the input array to the corresponding bucket
    for (int i = beginIndex; i < endIndex; i++)
        buckets.get(getBucketIndex(array[i], f)).add(array[i]);

    // merge elements in all buckets to the input array
    for (Deque<T> bucket : buckets) {
        while (!bucket.isEmpty())
            array[beginIndex++] = bucket.remove();
    }
}

/**
 * @param key a comparable key.
 * @param f takes one argument of type T, and return a value of type T (optional).
 * @return the index of the bucket that the key should be inserted.
 */
abstract protected int getBucketIndex(T key, Function<T, T> f);

```

- Method: `getBucketIndex()` , `bucket.removeLast()` .

Integer Bucket Sort

Source: IntegerBucketSort.java

```
public class IntegerBucketSort extends BucketSort<Integer> {
    private final int GAP;

    /**
     * @param min the minimum integer (inclusive).
     * @param max the maximum integer (exclusive).
     */
    public IntegerBucketSort(int min, int max) {
        super(max - min);
        GAP = -min;
    }

    @Override
    public void sort(Integer[] array, int beginIndex, int endIndex) {
        sort(array, beginIndex, endIndex, null);
    }

    @Override
    protected int getBucketIndex(Integer key, Function<Integer, Integer> f) {
        return key + GAP;
    }
}
```

- The purpose of GAP ?

Radix Sort

Source: RadixSort.java

```
public abstract class RadixSort extends BucketSort<Integer> {  
    public RadixSort() { super(10); }  
  
    @Override  
    protected int getBucketIndex(Integer key, Function<Integer, Integer> f) {  
        return f.apply(key) % 10;  
    }  
  
    protected int getMaxBit(Integer[] array, int beginIndex, int endIndex) {  
        Integer max = Arrays.stream(array, beginIndex, endIndex)  
            .reduce(Integer::max)  
            .orElse(null);  
        return (max != null && max > 0) ? (int) Math.log10(max) + 1 : 0;  
    }  
}
```

- Exception handling: `throw new UnsupportedOperationException()`.
- `getMaxBit()` : return the order of the most significant digit in the input array.

LSD Radix Sort

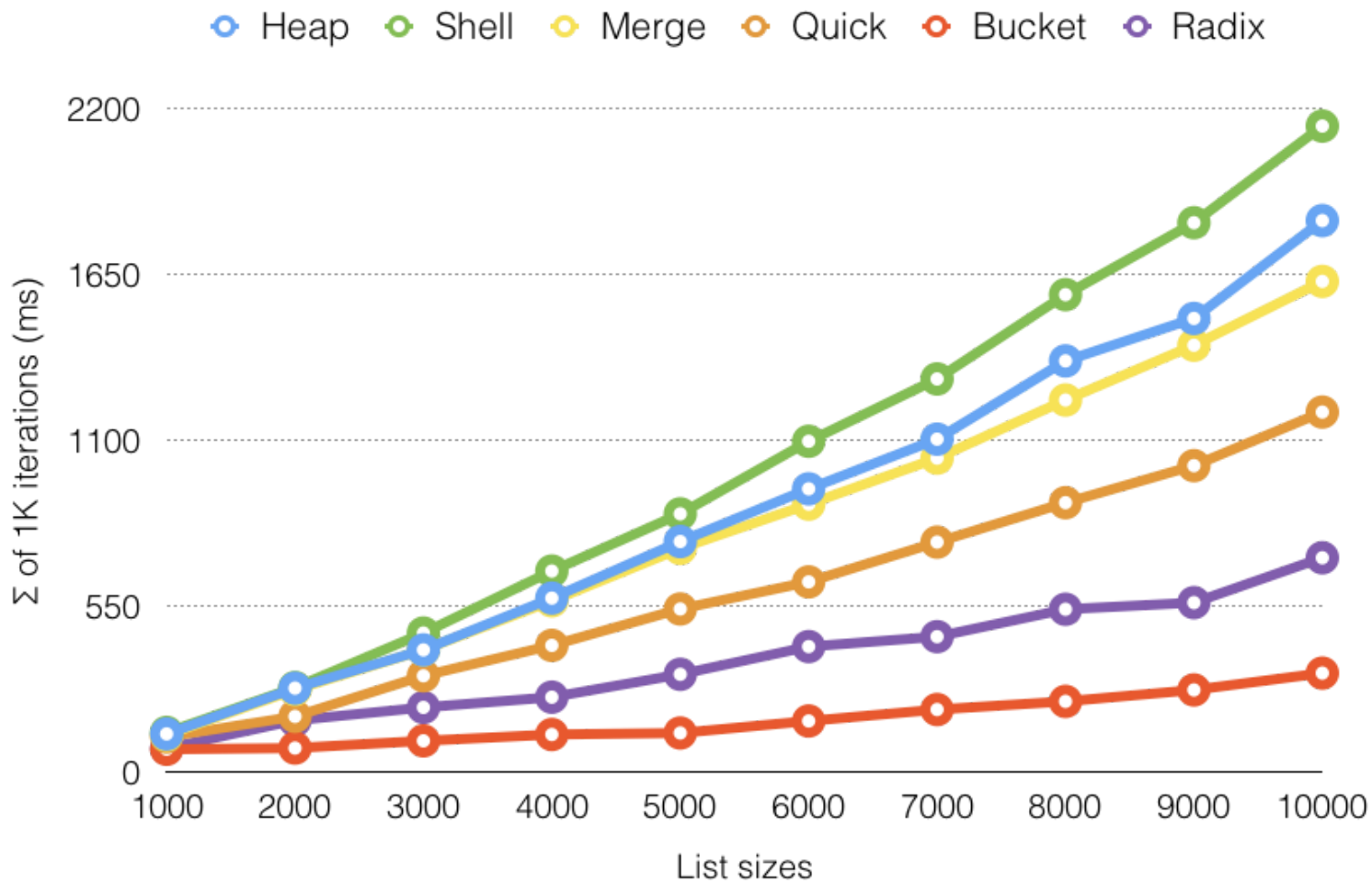
Source: `LSDRadixSort.java`

```
public class LSDRadixSort extends RadixSort {  
    @Override  
    public void sort(Integer[] array, int beginIndex, int endIndex) {  
        int maxBit = getMaxBit(array, beginIndex, endIndex);  
        for (int bit = 0; bit < maxBit; bit++) {  
            int div = (int) Math.pow(10, bit);  
            sort(array, beginIndex, endIndex, k -> k / div);  
        }  
    }  
}
```

- Lambda function: `k -> k / div` .

Benchmarks

Speed Comparison



References

- [Bucket sort.](#)
- [Radix sort.](#)