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Assignment 2: Benchmarking/Insertion Sort

1. <u>Task</u>

Your task for this assignment is in three parts.

 (Part 1) You are to implement three methods of a class called *Timer*. Please see the skeleton class that I created in the repository. *Timer* is invoked from a class called *Benchmark_Timer* which implements the *Benchmark* interface. The APIs of these class are as follows:

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public interface Benchmark<T> {
    default double run(T t, int m) {
        return runFromSupplier(() -> t, m);
    double runFromSupplier(Supplier<T> supplier, int m);
}
public class Benchmark_Timer<T> implements Benchmark<T> {
public Benchmark Timer(String description, UnaryOperator<T> fPre, Consumer<T> fRun, C
onsumer<T> fPost)
public Benchmark_Timer(String description, UnaryOperator<T> fPre, Consumer<T> fRun)
public Benchmark_Timer(String description, Consumer<T> fRun, Consumer<T> fPost)
public Benchmark_Timer(String description, Consumer<T> f)
public class Timer {
... // see below for methods to be implemented...
public <T, U> double repeat(int n, Supplier<T> supplier, Function<T, U> function, Una
ryOperator<T> preFunction, Consumer<U> postFunction) {
// TO BE IMPLEMENTED
}
private static long getClock() {
    // TO BE IMPLEMENTED
private static double toMillisecs(long ticks) {
    // TO BE IMPLEMENTED
```

The function to be timed, hereinafter the "target" function, is the *Consumer* function fRun (or just f) passed in to one or other of the constructors. For example, you might create a function which sorts an array with n elements.

The generic type *T* is that of the input to the target function.

The first parameter to the first run method signature is the parameter that will, in turn, be passed to target function. In the second signature, *supplier* will be invoked each time to get a *t* which is passed to the other run method.

The second parameter to the *run* function (*m*) is the number of times the target function will be called.

The return value from *run* is the average number of milliseconds taken for each run of the target function.

Don't forget to check your implementation by running the unit tests in *BenchmarkTest* and *TimerTest*.

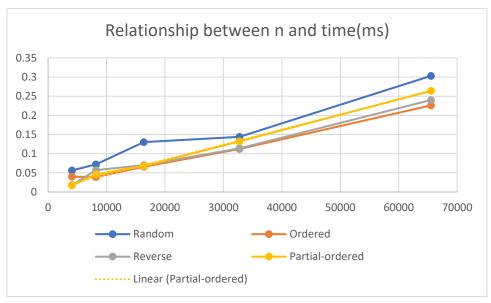
- (Part 2) Implement *InsertionSort* (in the *InsertionSort* class) by simply looking up the insertion code used by *Arrays.sort*. You should use the *helper.swap* method although you could also just copy that from the same source code. You should of course run the unit tests in *InsertionSortTest*.
- (Part 3) Implement a main program (or you could do it via your own unit tests) to actually run the following benchmarks: measure the running times of this sort, using four different initial array ordering situations: random, ordered, partially-ordered and reverse-ordered. I suggest that your arrays to be sorted are of type *Integer*. Use the doubling method for choosing *n* and test for at least five values of *n*. Draw any conclusions from your observations regarding the order of growth.

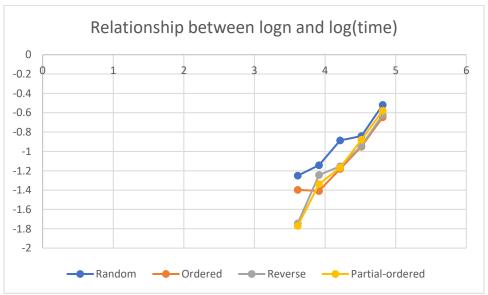
2. Conclusion

- Based on the theory and experiments ran which I will show below, the relationship between array size (N) and time running(ms) is **exponential growth (On^2).** Or as we said, as the array size of input increase double, the running time will be increase by 4 times.
- About particular running time, as the array size(N) getting bigger, the general conclusion about running time of 4 different array sequences:
 - + ordered < partial ordered ~ random < reverse ordered. This also strengthen what we learnt as reverse ordered array would be the worst case for insertion sort. Thus, it will have larger average running time.

3. Evidence

				Partial-
Log(N)	Random	Ordered	Reverse	ordered
3.61235995	-1.2503	-1.3979	-1.7447	-1.769551079
3.91338994	-1.1421	-1.4089	-1.2441	-1.337242168
4.21441994	-0.8861	-1.1805	-1.1549	-1.167491087
4.51544993	-0.8416	-0.9508	-0.9431	-0.879426069
4.81647993	-0.5186	-0.6459	-0.6198	-0.578396073





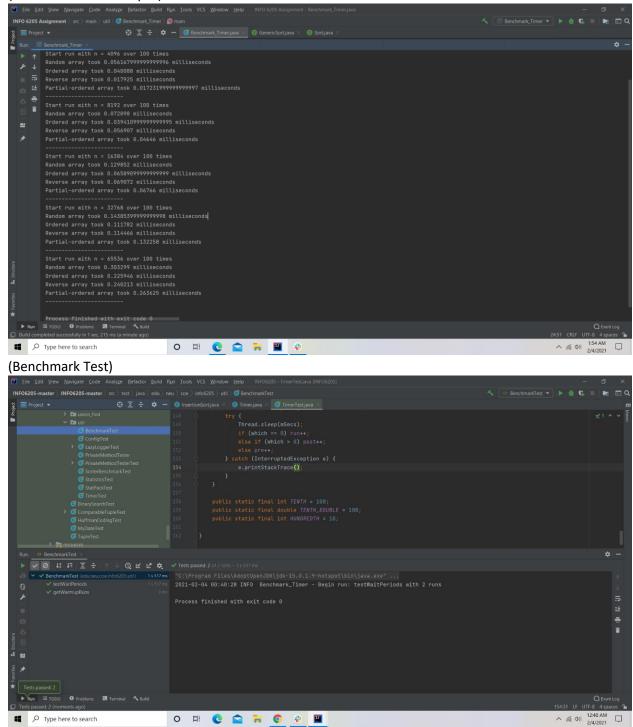
Although the 1st chart didn't show a clear relationship for n and time, the 2nd chart taking logn and log(time) def prove that this is close to an exponential growth (On^2) rather than a linear growth (On).

4. Code

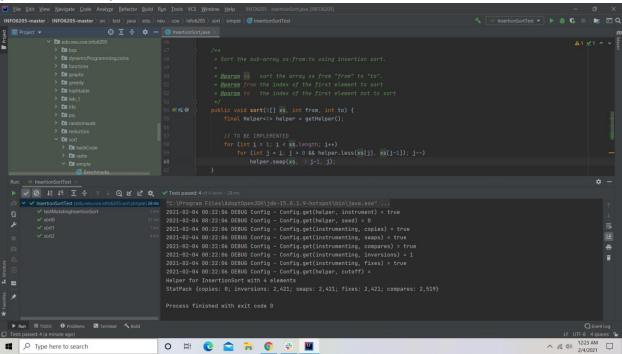
File modified including Timer.java, Benchmark_Timer.java & InsertionSort.java. I also changed the required running time in TimerTest due to hardware running time difference. I have uploaded 2 version on github. One with just assignment 2 related files. If you have trouble running it. Please download the master folder on repo for running/testing.

5. Unit Test

(Benchmark Main output)



(InsertionSort Test)



(Timer Test)

