

## CSCI 3412 – Algorithms

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### Problem Set 1 – Sorting Algorithms

#### Part 1 – Select Sorting Algorithms

For my naive sort  $O(n^2)$  I selected bubble sort for familiarity. For my  $O(n \ln(n))$  sort I chose Merge sort for ease of implementation and consistent behavior. For my  $O(n)$  sort I chose counting sort for simplicity.

#### Part 2 – Write Pseudo-Code for each of the algorithms

- Bubble Sort

```
BUBBLESORT(A)
1  for i = 1 to A.length - 1
2      for j = A.length downto i + 1
3          if A[j] < A[j - 1]
4              exchange A[j] with A[j - 1]
```

Taken from page 40 of the textbook. This algorithm swaps elements one at a time to cause the smallest values to "bubble" up to the top.

- Merge Sort

Taken from pages 30-34 of the textbook. This algorithm is made up of 2 distinct methods. MergeSort and Merge.

- MergeSort

```
MERGE-SORT(A, p, r)
1  if p < r
2      q =  $\lfloor (p + r) / 2 \rfloor$ 
3      MERGE-SORT(A, p, q)
4      MERGE-SORT(A, q + 1, r)
5      MERGE(A, p, q, r)
```

This method receives an array and two integers to serve a top and bottom indexes for a subarray. If that sub array has 2 or more elements in it the sub array is divided in half and both halves recursively call the method. This recursive call is the main loop that will be discussed in part 3.

- Merge

```

MERGE( $A, p, q, r$ )
1   $n_1 = q - p + 1$ 
2   $n_2 = r - q$ 
3  let  $L[1 \dots n_1 + 1]$  and  $R[1 \dots n_2 + 1]$  be new arrays
4  for  $i = 1$  to  $n_1$ 
5       $L[i] = A[p + i - 1]$ 
6  for  $j = 1$  to  $n_2$ 
7       $R[j] = A[q + j]$ 
8   $L[n_1 + 1] = \infty$ 
9   $R[n_2 + 1] = \infty$ 
10  $i = 1$ 
11  $j = 1$ 
12 for  $k = p$  to  $r$ 
13     if  $L[i] \leq R[j]$ 
14          $A[k] = L[i]$ 
15          $i = i + 1$ 
16     else  $A[k] = R[j]$ 
17          $j = j + 1$ 

```

This method is a subloop of the MergeSort method. It takes two sorted subarrays and combines them into a signal array. It does this by looking at the first element of each moving the smaller one into the new array and looping this behavior until both are empty. This Pseudo-code contains a feature I never implanted where you make the last element of each subarray an arbitrarily large number to speed up merging. For more complete explications see pages 30-34 of the text.

- Counting Sort

There was no available version of this to be references so I wrote it myself. I likely didn't look hard enough.

CountingSort( $A$ )

1.  $B$  = array with indexes 1 to  $x$  where  $x$  is the max value of an element in  $A$
2. for  $i = 1$  to  $A.length$
3.      $n = A[i]$
4.      $B[n-1]++$

This algorithm simply increments the value of an index  $n-1$  in  $B$  for every  $n$  that is an element of  $A$ . It only works if the elements are integers, with both an upper, and lower bound.

## Part 3 – Static Analysis

- Bubble Sort
  - The loop invariant for the main loop (lines 1-4) of Bubble sort is:  
The smallest value from index  $i$  to index  $A.length-1$  is not yet known to be in index  $i$ .
  - Initialization: Initially no values have been evaluated so the lowest value can't be known to be in index 1.
  - Maintenance: Assume that  $i \neq A.length$ . Between these two indexes there must be a lowest value to be moved to the lowest position. After that is done  $i$  is incremented and the loop restarts.
  - Termination: The loop terminates when  $i = A.length$ . At this point all of the previous sub arrays of  $i$  to  $A.length$  have had their smallest value moved to the first index of the array must be sorted.
- Merge Sort
  - The loop invariant for the main loop (lines 1-5) of Merge sort is:  
The sub array  $A[p]$  to  $A[r]$  contains more than 1 element.
  - Initialization: Initially no sub arrays have been split. Thus any unsorted set  $A$  must have more than 1 element.
  - Maintenance: Assume that the subarray used to call MergeSort has more than 1 element in it. The function then calls itself recursively with 2 new smaller sub arrays
  - Termination: The loop terminates when the recursive tree hits the level of sub arrays with 1 or 0 elements at which point all the respective Merge methods are called.
- Counting Sort
  - The loop invariant for the main loop (lines 2-4) of Counting sort is:  
There is another value in set  $A$  to be sorted.
  - Initialization: Initially no values have been sorted so if set  $A$  exists there must be a next value.
  - Maintenance: Assume that  $i \leq A.length$ . The value is sorted and the loop restarts.
  - Termination: The loop terminates when  $i = A.length$ . At this point all of the previous elements of  $A$  must have been sorted, thus the array is sorted.

## Part 4 – Implementation

All three algorithms were coded in Java in 3 separate files. One for running bubble sort on the million value file. Another for running all files on the three sorts. The third for running various sizes on all three sorts. As a result of my lack of Java experience there are a few oddities with this code

- The sorts are implemented inside of try blocks because I don't yet know the proper way to get around the required try catch in Java file io.
- In order to count the operations and swaps I needed to pass an int by reference to MergeSort and Merge. To do this I used 1 element arrays.
- Merge doesn't have the lower bound optimization of the above Pseudo-Code

## Bubble\_alg\_HW1.java

```
1
2 package bubble_alg_hw1;
3
4 import java.io.BufferedReader;
5 import java.io.FileNotFoundException;
6 import java.io.FileReader;
7 import java.io.IOException;
8
9 /**
10  *
11  * @author Jeremy G Diamond
12  */
13 public class Bubble_alg_HW1 {
14
15     /**
16      * @param args the command line arguments
17      */
18     public static void main(String[] args) {
19         int numOfComps = 0;
20         String file = "one-million-randoms.txt";
21
22
23         bubble(file);
24     }
25
26     public static void bubble(String fileName) {
27         int[] toBeSorted;
28         String currentLine = null;
29         int convert = 0;
30         int counter = 0;
31         int size = 0;
32         long compCounter = 0;
33         long swapCounter = 0;
34
35         try{
36
37             FileReader reader = new FileReader(fileName); // reads text file
38
39             BufferedReader bufferedReader =
40                 new BufferedReader(reader);
41
42             currentLine = bufferedReader.readLine(); //skips first line
43
44             currentLine = bufferedReader.readLine(); // reads in size as a string
45             convert = Integer.parseInt(currentLine); // converts string to int
46             toBeSorted = new int[convert]; // allowcates array
47             size = convert; // sets the size of the array
48
```

```

48
49
50 while((currentLine = bufferedReader.readLine()) != null) {
51     convert = Integer.parseInt(currentLine);
52     toBeSorted[counter] = convert;
53
54     counter++;
55     //System.out.println(currentLine);
56 }
57
58 for (int i = 0; i < size-1; i++)// bubble sort algor
59     for (int j = 0; j < size-i-1; j++){
60         compCounter++;
61         if (toBeSorted[j] > toBeSorted[j+1])
62         {
63             // swap temp and arr[i]
64             int temp = toBeSorted[j];
65             toBeSorted[j] = toBeSorted[j+1];
66             toBeSorted[j+1] = temp;
67             swapCounter++;
68         }
69     }
70 //for (int i = 0; i < size; i++) //print results used for testing
71 // System.out.println(toBeSorted[i]);
72 System.out.println("num of comps is");
73 System.out.println(compCounter);
74 System.out.println("num of swaps is");
75 System.out.println(swapCounter);
76
77 }
78 catch(FileNotFoundException ex) { // default catch for FileNotFoundException
79     System.out.println(
80         "Unable to open file '" +
81         fileName + "'");
82 }
83
84 catch(IOException ex) { // default catch for IOException
85     System.out.println(
86         "Error reading file '"
87         + fileName + "'");
88     // Or we could just do this:
89     // ex.printStackTrace();
90 }
91
92 }
93
94 }
95

```

## MultiSize.java

```
1
2 package multisize;
3
4 import java.io.BufferedReader;
5 import java.io.FileNotFoundException;
6 import java.io.FileReader;
7 import java.io.IOException;
8
9
10 public class MultiSize {
11
12
13     public static void main(String[] args) {
14
15         for (int i = 1; i < 1000000; i = i*10 ){
16
17             System.out.print(i);
18             System.out.println(" elements");
19             mergeHead(i);
20             countSort(i);
21             bubble(i); //commented out to save time
22             System.out.println("");
23         }
24     }
25
26
27     public static void bubble(int sizeOf) {
28
29         String fileName = "one-million-randoms.txt";
30         int[] toBeSorted;
31         toBeSorted = new int[sizeOf]; // allowcates array
32         String currentLine = null;
33         int convert = 0;
34         int counter = 0;
35         int size = 0;
36         long compCounter = 0;
37         long swapCounter = 0;
38
39         try{
40
41             FileReader reader = new FileReader(fileName); // reads text file
42
43             BufferedReader bufferedReader =
44                 new BufferedReader(reader);
45
46             currentLine = bufferedReader.readLine(); //skips first line
47
48             currentLine = bufferedReader.readLine(); // reads in size as a string
49             convert = Integer.parseInt(currentLine); // converts string to int
50
51         } catch (IOException e) {
52             e.printStackTrace();
53         }
54     }
55 }
```

```

50
51 size = convert; // sets the size of the array
52
53 for (int i = 0; i < sizeOf; i++)
54 {
55     currentLine = bufferedReader.readLine();
56     convert = Integer.parseInt(currentLine);
57     toBeSorted[i] = convert;
58 }
59
60
61 for (int i = 0; i < sizeOf-1; i++) // bubble sort algor
62 for (int j = 0; j < sizeOf-i-1; j++){
63     compCounter++;
64     if (toBeSorted[j] > toBeSorted[j+1])
65     {
66         // swap temp and arr[i]
67         swapCounter++;
68         int temp = toBeSorted[j];
69         toBeSorted[j] = toBeSorted[j+1];
70         toBeSorted[j+1] = temp;
71     }
72 }
73 //for (int i = 0; i < size; i++) //print results used for testing
74 // System.out.println(toBeSorted[i]);
75 System.out.println("num of comps for bubble is");
76 System.out.println(compCounter);
77 System.out.println("num of swaps for bubble is");
78 System.out.println(swapCounter);
79
80 }
81 catch(FileNotFoundException ex) { // default catch for FileNotFoundException
82     System.out.println(
83         "Unable to open file '" +
84         fileName + "'");
85 }
86
87 catch(IOException ex) { // default catch for IOException
88     System.out.println(
89         "Error reading file '"
90         + fileName + "'");
91     // Or we could just do this:
92     // ex.printStackTrace();
93 }
94
95
96
97
98 }
99

```

```

99
100 public static void meargeHead(int sizeOf) {
101
102     String fileName = "one-million-randoms.txt";
103     int[] toBeSorted;
104     toBeSorted = new int[sizeOf]; // allowcates array
105     String currentLine = null;
106     int convert = 0;
107     int counter = 0;
108     int size = 0;
109     int[] compCounter = new int[1]; //this is hacked up way to pass a pointer to an int
110     compCounter[0] = 0;
111     int[] swapCounter = new int[1]; //this is hacked up way to pass a pointer to an int
112     swapCounter[0] = 0;
113
114     try{
115
116         FileReader reader = new FileReader(fileName); // reads text file
117
118         BufferedReader bufferedReader =
119             new BufferedReader(reader);
120
121         currentLine = bufferedReader.readLine(); //skips first line
122
123         currentLine = bufferedReader.readLine(); // reads in size as a string
124         convert = Integer.parseInt(currentLine); // converts string to int
125         size = convert; // sets the size of the array
126
127
128         for (int i = 0; i < sizeOf; i++)
129         {
130             currentLine = bufferedReader.readLine();
131             convert = Integer.parseInt(currentLine);
132             toBeSorted[i] = convert;
133         }
134
135         mergeSort (toBeSorted, 0, sizeOf-1, compCounter, swapCounter);
136
137         //for (int i = 0; i < size; i++) //print results used for testing
138         //    System.out.println(toBeSorted[i]);
139         System.out.println("num of comps for merge is");
140         System.out.println(compCounter[0]);
141         System.out.println("num of swaps for merge is");
142         System.out.println(swapCounter[0]);
143
144     }
145
146     catch(FileNotFoundException ex) { // default catch for FileNotFoundException
147         System.out.println(
148             "Unable to open file '" +

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149         fileName + "");
150     }
151
152     catch(IOException ex) { // default catch for IOException
153         System.out.println(
154             "Error reading file '"
155             + fileName + "'");
156         // Or we could just do this:
157         // ex.printStackTrace();
158     }
159
160
161 }
162
163 public static void countSort(int sizeOf) {
164
165     String fileName = "one-million-randoms.txt";
166     String currentLine = null;
167     int convert = 0;
168     int counter = 0;
169     int size = 0;
170     int swapCounter = 0;
171     int[] countArr = new int[100];
172
173     for (int i = 0; i < 100; i++) // set default value of array
174         countArr[i] = 0;
175
176     try{
177
178         FileReader reader = new FileReader(fileName); // reads text file
179
180         BufferedReader bufferedReader =
181             new BufferedReader(reader);
182
183         currentLine = bufferedReader.readLine(); // skips first line
184
185         currentLine = bufferedReader.readLine(); // reads in size as a string
186         convert = Integer.parseInt(currentLine); // converts string to int
187         size = convert; // sets the size of the array
188
189
190         for (int i = 0; i < sizeOf; i++)
191         {
192             currentLine = bufferedReader.readLine();
193             convert = Integer.parseInt(currentLine);
194             countArr[convert]++;
195             swapCounter++;
196         }
197
198
199

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194         countArr[convert]++;
195         swapCounter++;
196     }
197
198
199
200
201     //for (int i = 0; i < size; i++) //print results used for testing
202     // System.out.println(toBeSorted[i]);
203     System.out.println("num of comps for count is");
204     System.out.println("0");//hard coded to save time and space
205     System.out.println("num of swaps for count is");
206     System.out.println(swapCounter);
207
208 }
209 catch(FileNotFoundException ex) { // default catch for FileNotFoundException
210     System.out.println(
211         "Unable to open file '" +
212         fileName + "'");
213 }
214
215 catch(IOException ex) { // default catch for IOException
216     System.out.println(
217         "Error reading file '"
218         + fileName + "'");
219     // Or we could just do this:
220     // ex.printStackTrace();
221 }
222
223
224
225 }
226
227 public static void mergeSort(int arrToSort[], int x, int y, int daCount[], int swaCount[]){
228     daCount[0]++;
229     if (x < y) {
230
231         int m = (x + y) / 2; // Find the mid
232
233         mergeSort(arrToSort, x, m, daCount, swaCount); // Sort both halves
234         mergeSort(arrToSort, m + 1, y, daCount, swaCount);
235
236         merge(arrToSort, x, m, y, daCount, swaCount); // Merge the sorted halves
237     }
238 }
239
240
241 public static void merge(int arrToSort[], int x, int m, int y, int daCount[], int swaCount[]){
242
243     int s1 = m - x + 1; // set sizes of two subarrays

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243     int s1 = m - x + 1; // set sizes of two subarrays
244     int s2 = y - m;
245
246     int left[] = new int [s1]; // temp arrays
247     int right[] = new int [s2];
248
249
250     for (int i=0; i<s1; ++i) //Copy data to temp arrays
251         left[i] = arrToSort[ x + i];
252     for (int j=0; j<s2; ++j)
253         right[j] = arrToSort[m + 1+ j];
254
255
256     int i = 0, j = 0; //indexes of first and second subarrays
257
258     int k = x ;// index of merged array
259
260     while (i < s1 && j < s2) //merge the 2 arrays
261     {
262         swaCount[0]++;
263         daCount[0]++;
264         if (left[i] <= right[j])
265         {
266             arrToSort[k] = left[i];
267             i++;
268         }
269         else
270         {
271             arrToSort[k] = right[j];
272             j++;
273         }
274         k++;
275     }
276
277     while (i < s1)
278     {
279         daCount[0]++;
280         arrToSort[k] = left[i];
281         i++;
282         k++;
283     }
284
285     while (j < s2)//copy extra elements
286     {
287         daCount[0]++;
288         arrToSort[k] = right[j];
289         j++;
290         k++;
291     }
292 }
293
294
295 }
296

```

Jeremy\_Diamond\_algor\_HW1.java

```
1  package jeremy_diamond_algor_hw1;
2
3  import java.io.*;
4  public class Jeremy_Diamond_algor_HW1 {
5
6      public static void main(String args[]) {
7
8          String file = "shuffled.txt";
9          System.out.println(file);
10         mergeHead(file);
11         countSort(file);
12         bubble(file);
13         System.out.println("");
14
15         file = "duplicate.txt";
16         System.out.println(file);
17         mergeHead(file);
18         countSort(file);
19         bubble(file);
20         System.out.println("");
21
22         file = "nearly-sorted.txt";
23         System.out.println(file);
24         mergeHead(file);
25         countSort(file);
26         bubble(file);
27         System.out.println("");
28
29         file = "nearly-unsorted.txt";
30         System.out.println(file);
31         mergeHead(file);
32         countSort(file);
33         bubble(file);
34         System.out.println("");
35
36         file = "sorted.txt";
37         System.out.println(file);
38         mergeHead(file);
39         countSort(file);
40         bubble(file);
41         System.out.println("");
42
43         file = "unsorted.txt";
44         System.out.println(file);
45         mergeHead(file);
46         countSort(file);
47         bubble(file);
48         System.out.println("");
49
50         file = "one-million-randoms.txt";
```

```

51      System.out.println(file);
52      mergeHead(file);
53      countSort(file);
54      //bubble(file); //commented out to save time
55      System.out.println("");
56  }
57
58  public static void bubble(String fileName) {
59      int[] toBeSorted;
60      String currentLine = null;
61      int convert = 0;
62      int counter = 0;
63      int size = 0;
64      int compCounter = 0;
65      int swapCounter = 0;
66
67      try{
68
69          FileReader reader = new FileReader(fileName); // reads text file
70
71          BufferedReader bufferedReader =
72              new BufferedReader(reader);
73
74          currentLine = bufferedReader.readLine(); //skips first line
75
76          currentLine = bufferedReader.readLine(); // reads in size as a string
77          convert = Integer.parseInt(currentLine); // converts string to int
78          toBeSorted = new int[convert]; // allocates array
79          size = convert; // sets the size of the array
80
81
82          while((currentLine = bufferedReader.readLine()) != null) {
83              convert = Integer.parseInt(currentLine);
84              toBeSorted[counter] = convert;
85
86              counter++;
87              //System.out.println(currentLine);
88          }
89
90          for (int i = 0; i < size-1; i++) // bubble sort algor
91              for (int j = 0; j < size-i-1; j++){
92                  compCounter++;
93                  if (toBeSorted[j] > toBeSorted[j+1])
94                  {
95                      // swap temp and arr[i]
96                      swapCounter++;
97                      int temp = toBeSorted[j];
98                      toBeSorted[j] = toBeSorted[j+1];
99                      toBeSorted[j+1] = temp;
100              }

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```

101     }
102     //for (int i = 0; i < size; i++) //print results used for testing
103     // System.out.println(toBeSorted[i]);
104     System.out.println("num of comps for bubble is");
105     System.out.println(compCounter);
106     System.out.println("num of swaps for bubble is");
107     System.out.println(swapCounter);
108
109 }
110 catch(FileNotFoundException ex) { // default catch for FileNotFoundException
111     System.out.println(
112         "Unable to open file " +
113         fileName + "");
114 }
115
116 catch(IOException ex) { // default catch for IOException
117     System.out.println(
118         "Error reading file "
119         + fileName + "");
120     // Or we could just do this:
121     // ex.printStackTrace();
122 }
123
124
125
126
127 }
128
129 public static void mergeHead(String fileName) {
130
131     int[] toBeSorted;
132     String currentLine = null;
133     int convert = 0;
134     int counter = 0;
135     int size = 0;
136     int[] compCounter = new int[1]; //this is hacked up way to pass a pointer to an int
137     compCounter[0] = 0;
138     int[] swapCounter = new int[1]; //this is hacked up way to pass a pointer to an int
139     swapCounter[0] = 0;
140
141     try{
142
143         FileReader reader = new FileReader(fileName); // reads text file
144
145         BufferedReader bufferedReader =
146             new BufferedReader(reader);
147
148         currentLine = bufferedReader.readLine(); //skips first line
149
150         currentLine = bufferedReader.readLine(); // reads in size as a string

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```

201     int swapCounter = 0;
202     int[] countArr = new int[100];
203
204     for (int i = 0; i < 100; i++) // set default value of array
205         countArr[i] = 0;
206
207     try{
208
209         FileReader reader = new FileReader(fileName); // reads text file
210
211         BufferedReader bufferedReader =
212             new BufferedReader(reader);
213
214         currentLine = bufferedReader.readLine(); //skips first line
215
216         currentLine = bufferedReader.readLine(); // reads in size as a string
217         convert = Integer.parseInt(currentLine); // converts string to int
218         size = convert; // sets the size of the array
219
220
221         while((currentLine = bufferedReader.readLine()) != null) {
222             convert = Integer.parseInt(currentLine);
223             countArr[convert]++;
224             swapCounter++;
225
226             //System.out.println(currentLine);
227         }
228
229
230
231
232         //for (int i = 0; i < size; i++) //print results used for testing
233             // System.out.println(toBeSorted[i]);
234         System.out.println("num of comps for count is");
235         System.out.println("0"); //hard coded to save time and space
236         System.out.println("num of swaps for count is");
237         System.out.println(swapCounter);
238
239     }
240     catch(FileNotFoundException ex) { // default catch for FileNotFoundException
241         System.out.println(
242             "Unable to open file '" +
243             fileName + "'");
244     }
245
246     catch(IOException ex) { // default catch for IOException
247         System.out.println(
248             "Error reading file '"
249             + fileName + "'");
250         // Or we could just do this:

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```

251         // ex.printStackTrace();
252     }
253
254
255
256 }
257
258 public static void mergeSort(int arrToSort[], int x, int y, int daCount[], int swaCount[]){
259     daCount[0]++;
260     if (x < y) {
261
262         int m = (x + y) / 2; // Find the mid
263
264         mergeSort(arrToSort, x, m, daCount, swaCount); // Sort both halves
265         mergeSort(arrToSort, m + 1, y, daCount, swaCount);
266
267         merge(arrToSort, x, m, y, daCount, swaCount); // Merge the sorted halves
268     }
269
270 }
271
272 public static void merge(int arrToSort[], int x, int m, int y, int daCount[], int swaCount[]){
273
274     int s1 = m - x + 1; // set sizes of two subarrays
275     int s2 = y - m;
276
277     int left[] = new int [s1]; // temp arrays
278     int right[] = new int [s2];
279
280
281     for (int i=0; i<s1; ++i) //Copy data to temp arrays
282         left[i] = arrToSort[ x + i];
283     for (int j=0; j<s2; ++j)
284         right[j] = arrToSort[m + 1+ j];
285
286
287     int i = 0, j = 0; //indexes of first and second subarrays
288
289     int k = x; // index of merged array
290
291     while (i < s1 && j < s2) //merge the 2 arrays
292     {
293         swaCount[0]++;
294         daCount[0]++;
295         if (left[i] <= right[j])
296         {
297             arrToSort[k] = left[i];
298             i++;
299         }
300         else
301         {
302             arrToSort[k] = right[j];
303             j++;
304         }
305         k++;
306     }
307
308     while (i < s1)
309     {
310         daCount[0]++;
311         arrToSort[k] = left[i];
312         i++;
313         k++;
314     }
315
316     while (j < s2) //copy extra elements
317     {
318         daCount[0]++;
319         arrToSort[k] = right[j];
320         j++;
321         k++;
322     }
323 }
324
325 }

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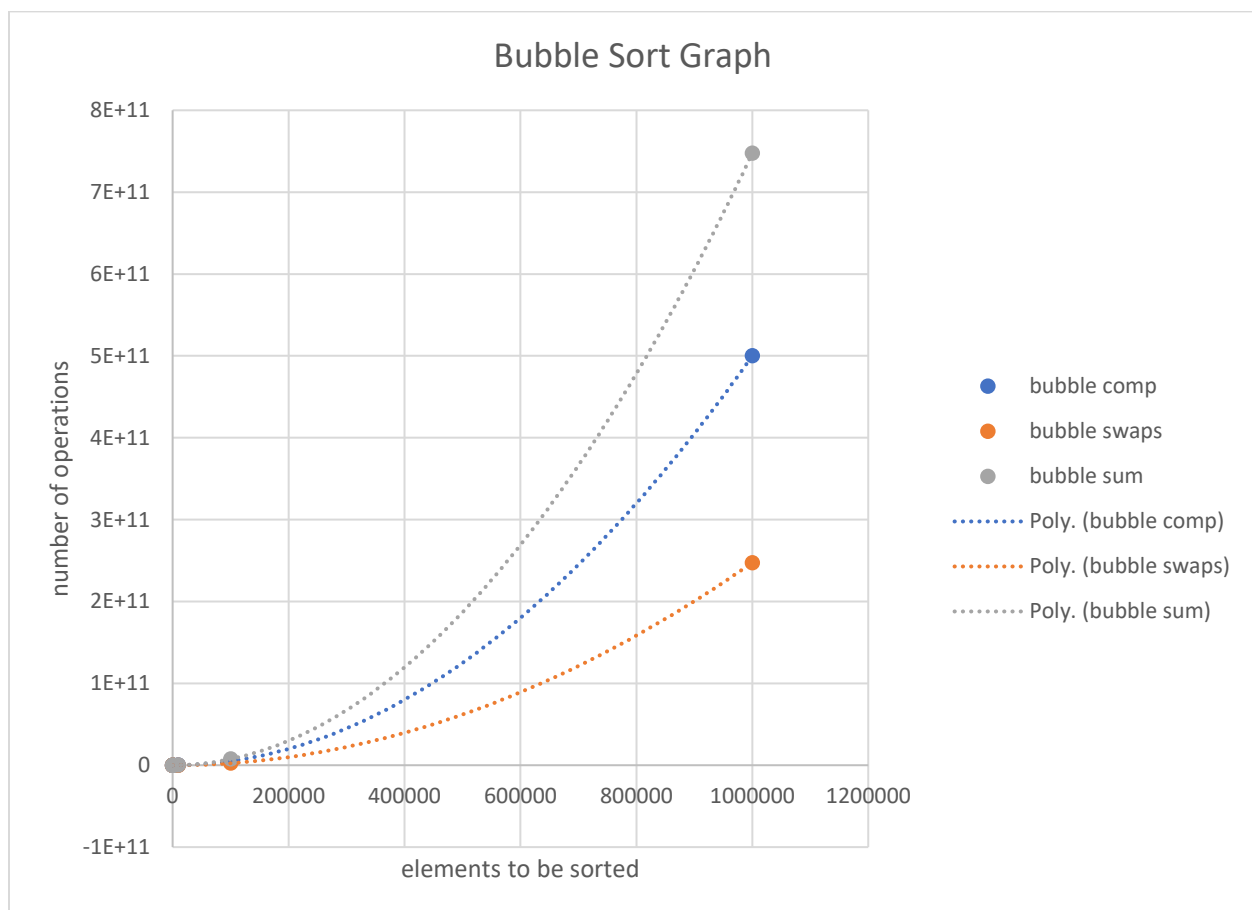
## Part 5 – Analysis

- Analysis of Growth

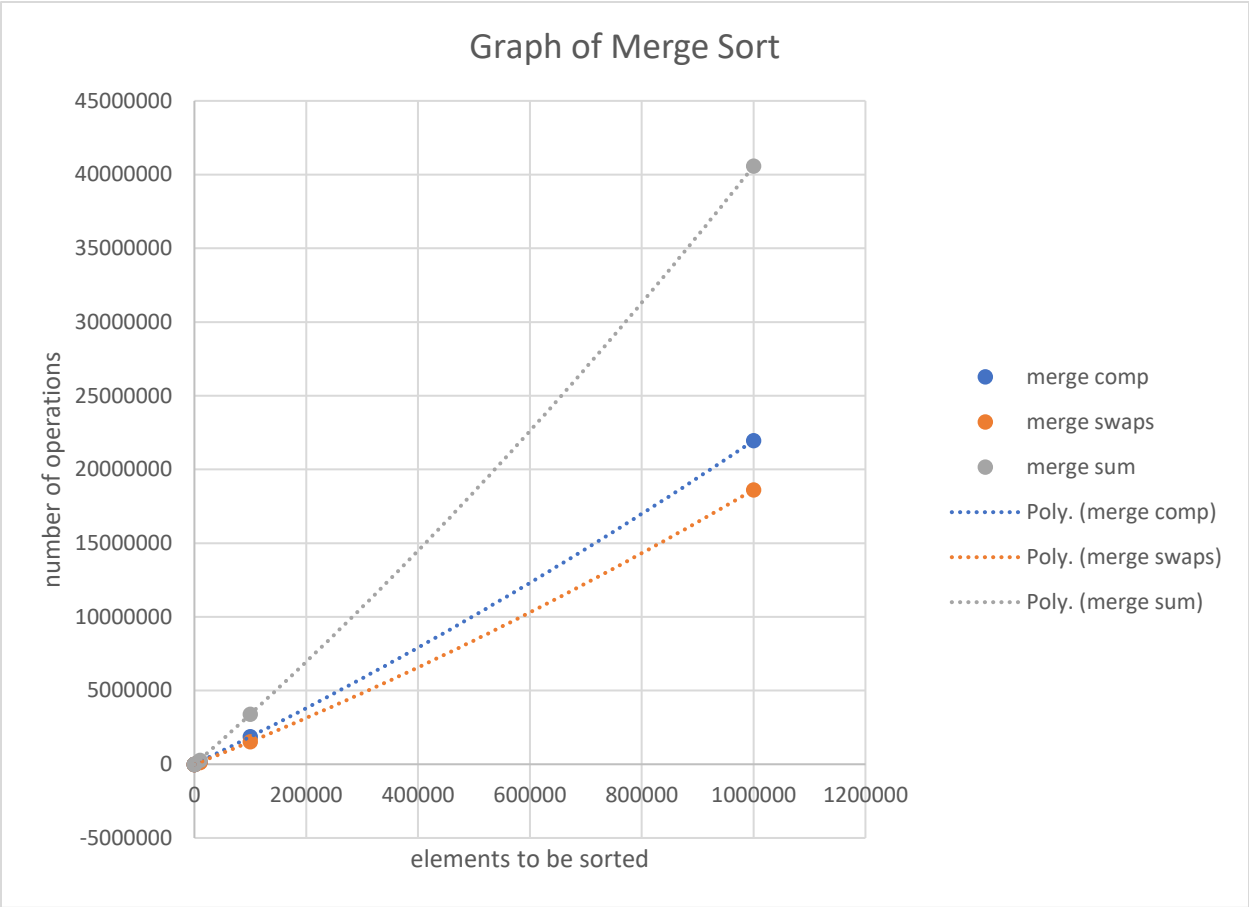
Growth was paprbolic on bubble sort was  $n \ln(n)$  on Merge Sort and constant on Counting Sort see the graphs and table below.

n	bubble comp	merge comp	count comp	bubble swaps	merge swaps	count swaps	bubble sum	merge sum	count sum
1	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	1
10	45	53	0	17	24	10	62	77	10
100	4950	871	0	2319	549	100	7269	1420	100
1000	499500	11975	0	245606	8710	1000	745106	20685	1000
10000	49995000	153615	0	24694055	120315	10000	74689055	273930	10000
100000	4999950000	1868927	0	2485926493	1532834	100000	7485876493	3401761	100000
1000000	5E+11	21951423	0	2.47471E+11	18620724	1000000	7.4747E+11	40572147	1000000

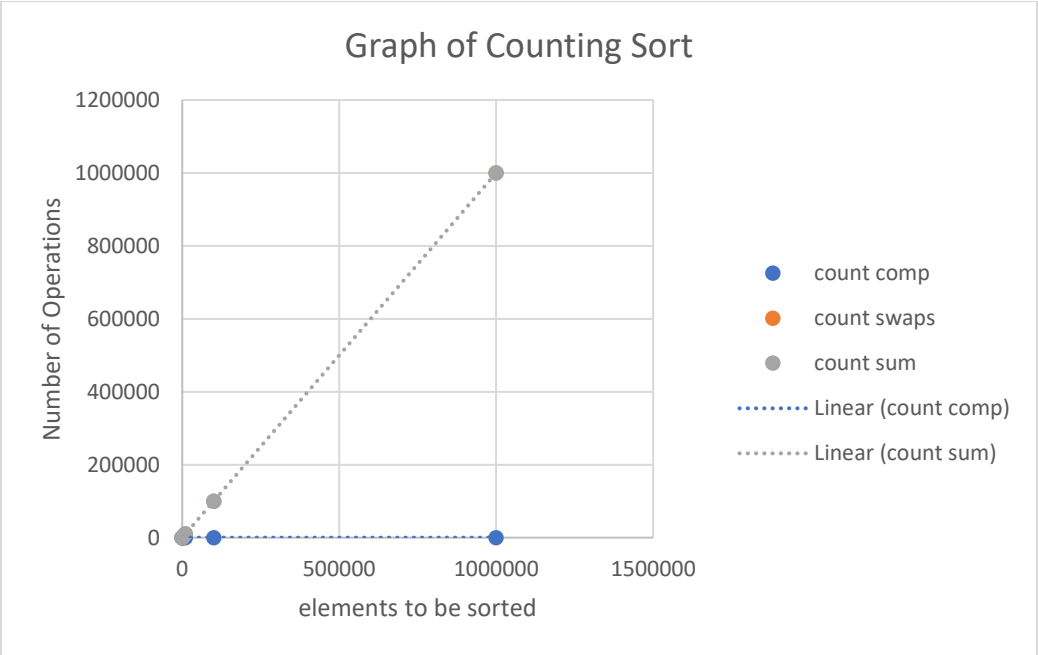
Graph of bubble sort



Graph of Merge Sort



Graph of comparison sort



As can be plainly seen from the data and graphs the sorts all perform in practice as is predicted by the above analysis.

- Comparison Across Data Sets

All three Sorts performed identically for every dataset of size 100. By this I mean bubble sort did not vary, in number of comparisons or swaps, with different files of the same length. The same holds true for counting sort and merge sort. I suspect there are lower bound optimizations that I didn't consider before implantation.

- Conclusions

If ever possible use information about the set to reduce the sorting time. If ever in a situation where the previous just isn't possible use a  $O(n \ln(n))$  sort so other don't use a bad sort by mistake.