**COMP 2210 Assignment 3 Part B**

Group 46

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**Abstract**

In this report, we performed a repeatable experimental procedure to empirically discover the sorting algorithms implemented by the five methods of the SortingLab client — sort1, sort2, sort3, sort4, sort5. The five sorting algorithms implemented are merge sort, randomized quicksort, non-randomized quicksort, selection sort, and insertion sort.

1. **Problem Review**

In class, we learned four different sorting methods-selection sort, insertion sort, merge sort and quicksort. We studied their properties in two aspects-time complexity and stability. Selection sort is supposed to have a O() complexity for all cases and is unstable. Insertion sort is supposed to have a O()complexity for the average case and worst case, but has a O(n) complexity for the best case, in which the array is fully or almost fully sorted. It is a stable sorting. Merge sort is the default sorting method used to sort reference data in Java. It is said to have a O() complexity for all cases and is stable. The quicksort is a little bit more complex than the other sorting methods. Its complexity depends on the choice of pivot. For the average and best case, it picks the median value or a random value which, in most cases, is close to the median as the pivot and will have a O() complexity. For the worst case, it picks the extreme value of the array as the pivot and has a complexity of O(). Regardless of the choice of pivot, quick sort is an unstable sorting method. In this assignment, we used five sorting methods- sort1, sort2, sort3, sort4 and sort5. Each of these methods had to be empirically tested in order to determine the exact sorting method. Note that quicksort have two implementations, both of which choose the left-most element of a partition (e.g., a[left]) as the pivot for that partition. Both use the same partition algorithm, but the randomized quicksort implementation makes the worst case probabilistically unlikely by randomly permuting the array elements before the quicksort algorithm begins. The nonrandomized quicksort might expose the algorithm’s worst case by never shuffling the array elements for an already sorted array.

1. **Experimental Procedures**

All calculations were performed on Intel(R) Core™ i5-4210 2.40GHz CPU, with a 6GB RAM in a 64-bit Windows 10 operating system on a personal HP Pavilion laptop. Our experimental procedures are as follows:

First, we made experimental discovery of running time for all of the 5 sorting methods. To do that, we generated an array of size N containing integer only by using psudo random number generator, and systematically increased the array size N in ***SortingLabClient.java*** file and recorded the elapsed time. In class, we learned the growth rate of a time complexity function is a measure of how the amount algorithm does changes as its input size changes. A useful way of thinking about a growth rate for a time complexity function T(N) is to think about the change in T(N) as N doubles. And if we take the ratio of the elapsed time of successive program runs, we will get an approximate value of 2 for a NlogN growth rate(Equation 1), 4 for a growth rate(Equation 2), and a constant value 2 for a N growth rate(Equation 3). In this case, we started from N=1000, then 2000, 4000, 8000, etc. Also note the used inner key is set to be 46, the assigned group number.

Equation 1 

Equation 2 

Equation 3 

Since the big-O(h) actually calculates the worst case time complexity, when performed in experiment, the ratio will be close to these constant instead of being the exact value.

As the order converges, this would give us the average case for the 5 sorting methods. So we can distinguish Selection Sort and Insertion Sort, which have time complexity O(), from the other three, which have time complexity O(). To distinguish all the 5 methods, the next thing we need to do is to take a look at the best case as well as the worst case. So we also tested the 5 sorting methods on the already sorted integer arrays of size N (i.e., in increasing order), which we called sorted case, and again, we systematically increased the array size N in ***SortingLabClient.java*** file and recorded the elapsed time. Then we tested the sorting methods on decreasing order sorted integer arrays, which we called reversed case. We know that in best case, Insertion Sort has running time of O(n), while Selection Sort would always perform as O(), so we can distinguish Selection Sort from Insertion Sort. Also, the non-randomized QuickSort would perform as in its worst case, and we can distinguish it from the other two, i.e., randomized QuickSort and MergeSort.

Lastly, we are going to check the stability of the sorting methods. To do so, we generated our own data type—Pair, which implemented Comparable interface. It contains two integer elements, but the compare method only operates on the first integer, ignoring the second. We created 7 new data elements {(5,1), (4,2), (3,3),(5,4),(2,5),(1,6),(5,7)}. Three of them have the identical first elements but different second ones. After performing a stable sort, it is supposed to be ordered as {(1,6),(2,5),(3,3),(4,2),(5,1),(5,4),(5,7)}. But after an unstable sorting, it should be something other than that. By doing that, we can distinguish the stable sorting methods from the unstable ones. We know that MergeSort and InsertionSort are stable, while the other three are not.

1. **Data Collection and Analysis**

The results were put in Table 3.1-Table 3.6 and schemed in Figure 1-Figure 5. Table 3.6 showed the result of the stability test, while table 3.1-Table 3.5 showed the sorting time needed for each sorting methods to sort an integer array of size N. Each table represents the results for random ordered arrays, sorted ordered arrays, and reversed ordered arrays, respectively. And for each part (i.e., the big column), the first sub-column is the size (N) of array in each run, the second column (Time) shows the elapsed time for each run, the third sub-column provides the ratio of the elapsed time(in second) of current run and previous run, and the last sub-column (K) calculates the logarithm of the ratio. Our aim is to find the converging value of K for each sorting method.

**3.1 Sort 1 Results**

**Table 3.1 Results for Sort 1**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Sort1** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Random Ordered Array** | | | | **Sorted Ordered Array** | | | | **Reverse Ordered Array** | | | |
| N | Time | Ratio | ***K*** | N | Time | Ratio | ***K*** | N | Time | Ratio | ***K*** |
| 1000 | 0.003 |  |  | 1000 | 0.002 |  |  | 1000 | 0.002 |  |  |
| 2000 | 0.002 | 0.654 | ***-0.612*** | 2000 | 0.001 | 0.631 | ***-0.664*** | 2000 | 0.001 | 0.628 | ***-0.671*** |
| 4000 | 0.003 | 1.974 | ***0.981*** | 4000 | 0.002 | 2.022 | ***1.016*** | 4000 | 0.008 | 7.545 | ***2.916*** |
| 8000 | 0.008 | 2.462 | ***1.300*** | 8000 | 0.019 | 8.495 | ***3.087*** | 8000 | 0.017 | 2.089 | ***1.062*** |
| 16000 | 0.048 | 5.767 | ***2.528*** | 16000 | 0.014 | 0.723 | ***-0.468*** | 16000 | 0.013 | 0.723 | ***-0.467*** |
| 32000 | 0.073 | 1.531 | ***0.614*** | 32000 | 0.054 | 3.986 | ***1.995*** | 32000 | 0.039 | 3.102 | ***1.633*** |
| 64000 | 0.027 | 0.373 | ***-1.423*** | 64000 | 0.020 | 0.366 | ***-1.449*** | 64000 | 0.023 | 0.576 | ***-0.797*** |
| 128000 | 0.075 | 2.761 | ***1.465*** | 128000 | 0.039 | 1.980 | ***0.985*** | 128000 | 0.047 | 2.080 | ***1.056*** |
| 256000 | 0.113 | 1.510 | ***0.594*** | 256000 | 0.062 | 1.571 | ***0.652*** | 256000 | 0.071 | 1.519 | ***0.603*** |
| 512000 | 0.213 | 1.882 | ***0.912*** | 512000 | 0.168 | 2.724 | ***1.446*** | 512000 | 0.169 | 2.376 | ***1.249*** |
| 1024000 | 0.440 | 2.067 | ***1.048*** | 1024000 | 0.404 | 2.398 | ***1.262*** | 1024000 | 0.428 | 2.528 | ***1.338*** |
| 2048000 | 1.986 | 4.513 | ***2.174*** | 2048000 | 0.977 | 2.422 | ***1.276*** | 2048000 | 1.034 | 2.414 | ***1.272*** |
| 4096000 | 2.023 | 1.019 | ***0.027*** | 4096000 | 1.390 | 1.422 | ***0.508*** | 4096000 | 2.312 | 2.236 | ***1.161*** |
| 8192000 | 4.623 | 2.285 | ***1.192*** | 8192000 | 2.742 | 2.132 | ***1.047*** | 8192000 | 3.665 | 1.585 | ***0.665*** |

**Figure 1**

According to table 3.1 and figure 1, we see that sort1 sorted all the 3 types of arrays quite fast. The logarithm value is approximately slight larger than 1. Let us denoted it as 1.x, i.e.,

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Random Ordered Array** | **Sorted Ordered Array** | **Reverse Ordered Array** |
| **K** | ***1.x*** | ***1.x*** | ***1.x*** |

* 1. **Sort 2 Results**

**Table 3.2 Results for Sort 2**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Sort2** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Random Ordered Array** | | | | **Sorted Ordered Array** | | | | **Reverse Ordered Array** | | | |
| N | Time | Ratio | ***K*** | N | Time | Ratio | ***K*** | N | Time | Ratio | ***K*** |
| 1000 | 0.018 |  |  | 1000 | 0.000 |  |  | 1000 | 0.018 |  |  |
| 2000 | 0.018 | 0.957 | -0.063 | 2000 | 0.000 | 0.338 | -1.565 | 2000 | 0.024 | 1.342 | 0.424 |
| 4000 | 0.026 | 1.470 | 0.555 | 4000 | 0.000 | 2.686 | 1.425 | 4000 | 0.053 | 2.235 | 1.161 |
| 8000 | 0.099 | 3.806 | 1.928 | 8000 | 0.001 | 1.706 | 0.770 | 8000 | 0.247 | 4.641 | 2.214 |
| 16000 | 0.353 | 3.573 | 1.837 | 16000 | 0.002 | 2.125 | 1.087 | 16000 | 0.699 | 2.826 | 1.499 |
| 32000 | 1.374 | 3.894 | 1.961 | 32000 | 0.005 | 3.375 | 1.755 | 32000 | 3.404 | 4.873 | 2.285 |
| 64000 | 7.009 | 5.101 | 2.351 | 64000 | 0.004 | 0.720 | -0.474 | 64000 | 15.265 | 4.485 | 2.165 |
| 128000 | 30.772 | 4.390 | 2.134 | 128000 | 0.002 | 0.449 | -1.156 | 128000 | 65.469 | 4.289 | 2.101 |
| 256000 | 169.166 | 5.497 | 2.459 | 256000 | 0.003 | 1.515 | 0.599 | 256000 | 509.077 | 7.776 | 2.959 |
|  |  |  |  | 512000 | 0.001 | 0.521 | -0.941 |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 1024000 | 0.003 | 2.233 | 1.159 |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 2048000 | 0.033 | 10.803 | 3.433 |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 4096000 | 0.077 | 2.332 | 1.222 |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 8192000 | 0.166 | 2.159 | 1.111 |  |  |  |  |

**Figure 2**

According to table 3.2 and figure 2, we see that for the sorted array, sort2 is quite fast and has time complexity is of order 1.x. However, that is the only case it performs so well. For random ordered array, as well as reversed ordered array, the order of its time complexity is converging to 2, i.e.,

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Random Ordered Array** | **Sorted Ordered Array** | **Reverse Ordered Array** |
| **K** | ***2*** | ***1.x*** | ***2*** |

**3.3 Sort 3 Results**

**Table 3.3 Results for Sort 3**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Sort3** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Random Ordered Array** | | | | **Sorted Ordered Array** | | | | **Reverse Ordered Array** | | | |
| N | Time | Ratio | ***K*** | N | Time | Ratio | ***K*** | N | Time | Ratio | ***K*** |
| 1000 | 0.004 |  |  | 1000 | 0.003 |  |  | 1000 | 0.003 |  |  |
| 2000 | 0.001 | 0.371 | -1.431 | 2000 | 0.001 | 0.480 | -1.060 | 2000 | 0.002 | 0.508 | -0.976 |
| 4000 | 0.003 | 2.130 | 1.091 | 4000 | 0.003 | 2.231 | 1.158 | 4000 | 0.008 | 5.383 | 2.428 |
| 8000 | 0.006 | 2.249 | 1.170 | 8000 | 0.010 | 3.333 | 1.737 | 8000 | 0.010 | 1.232 | 0.300 |
| 16000 | 0.017 | 2.652 | 1.407 | 16000 | 0.015 | 1.526 | 0.610 | 16000 | 0.017 | 1.695 | 0.761 |
| 32000 | 0.020 | 1.207 | 0.271 | 32000 | 0.030 | 2.066 | 1.047 | 32000 | 0.022 | 1.269 | 0.344 |
| 64000 | 0.024 | 1.166 | 0.221 | 64000 | 0.031 | 1.023 | 0.033 | 64000 | 0.031 | 1.426 | 0.512 |
| 128000 | 0.054 | 2.266 | 1.180 | 128000 | 0.053 | 1.703 | 0.768 | 128000 | 0.043 | 1.404 | 0.490 |
| 256000 | 0.100 | 1.860 | 0.895 | 256000 | 0.080 | 1.513 | 0.598 | 256000 | 0.072 | 1.650 | 0.723 |
| 512000 | 0.221 | 2.204 | 1.140 | 512000 | 0.166 | 2.066 | 1.047 | 512000 | 0.187 | 2.614 | 1.386 |
| 1024000 | 0.435 | 1.971 | 0.979 | 1024000 | 0.363 | 2.185 | 1.128 | 1024000 | 0.444 | 2.369 | 1.244 |
| 2048000 | 1.065 | 2.447 | 1.291 | 2048000 | 1.112 | 3.064 | 1.616 | 2048000 | 0.956 | 2.155 | 1.108 |
| 4096000 | 2.376 | 2.230 | 1.157 | 4096000 | 2.708 | 2.435 | 1.284 | 4096000 | 1.873 | 1.959 | 0.970 |
| 8192000 | 5.585 | 2.351 | 1.233 | 8192000 | 6.611 | 2.442 | 1.288 | 8192000 | 4.828 | 2.578 | 1.366 |

**Figure3**

According to table 3.3, we see that sort3 also sorted all the 3 types of arrays very fast. The logarithm values are all 1.x, i.e.,

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Random Ordered Array** | **Sorted Ordered Array** | **Reverse Ordered Array** |
| **K** | ***1.x*** | ***1.x*** | ***1.x*** |

**3.4 Sort 4 Results**

**Table 3.4 Results for Sort 4**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Sort4** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Random Ordered Array** | | | | **Sorted Ordered Array** | | | | **Reverse Ordered Array** | | | |
| N | Time | Ratio | ***K*** | N | Time | Ratio | ***K*** | N | Time | Ratio | ***K*** |
| 1000 | 0.003 |  |  | 1000 | 0.012 |  |  | 1000 | 0.012 |  |  |
| 2000 | 0.001 | 0.254 | -1.976 | 2000 | 0.005 | 0.399 | -1.327 | 2000 | 0.051 | 4.358 | 2.124 |
| 4000 | 0.002 | 2.835 | 1.503 | 4000 | 0.060 | 12.704 | 3.667 | 4000 | 0.038 | 0.755 | -0.405 |
| 8000 | 0.005 | 2.119 | 1.083 | 8000 | 0.049 | 0.815 | -0.296 | 8000 | 0.081 | 2.117 | 1.082 |
| 16000 | 0.030 | 6.348 | 2.666 | 16000 | 0.253 | 5.146 | 2.363 | 16000 | 0.330 | 4.074 | 2.027 |
| 32000 | 0.063 | 2.139 | 1.097 | 32000 | 1.045 | 4.138 | 2.049 | 32000 | 1.524 | 4.614 | 2.206 |
| 64000 | 0.072 | 1.136 | 0.184 | 64000 | 4.251 | 4.069 | 2.025 | 64000 | 13.653 | 8.959 | 3.163 |
| 128000 | 0.051 | 0.702 | -0.511 | 128000 | 20.477 | 4.817 | 2.268 | 128000 | 36.166 | 2.649 | 1.405 |
| 256000 | 0.076 | 1.503 | 0.588 | 256000 | 183.467 | 8.960 | 3.163 | 256000 | 322.974 | 8.930 | 3.159 |
| 512000 | 0.140 | 1.848 | 0.886 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1024000 | 0.297 | 2.118 | 1.083 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2048000 | 0.691 | 2.325 | 1.217 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4096000 | 1.593 | 2.305 | 1.205 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 8192000 | 3.663 | 2.299 | 1.201 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

**Figure 4**

According to table 3.4 and figure 4, we see that for the random ordered array, sort4 is quite fast and has time complexity is of order 1.x. However, when the array becomes ordered, no matter in increased or decreased order, the order of its time complexity is converging to 2, i.e.,

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Random Ordered Array** | **Sorted Ordered Array** | **Reverse Ordered Array** |
| **K** | ***1.x*** | ***2*** | ***2*** |

**3.5 Sort 5 Results**

**Table 3.5 Results for Sort 5**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Sort5** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Random Ordered Array** | | | | **Sorted Ordered Array** | | | | **Reverse Ordered Array** | | | |
| N | Time | Ratio | ***K*** | N | Time | Ratio | ***K*** | N | Time | Ratio | ***K*** |
| 1000 | 0.012 |  |  | 1000 | 0.018 |  |  | 1000 | 0.015 |  |  |
| 2000 | 0.009 | 0.783 | ***-0.352*** | 2000 | 0.006 | 0.316 | ***-1.662*** | 2000 | 0.005 | 0.319 | ***-1.649*** |
| 4000 | 0.032 | 3.455 | ***1.789*** | 4000 | 0.013 | 2.241 | ***1.164*** | 4000 | 0.018 | 3.666 | ***1.874*** |
| 8000 | 0.112 | 3.506 | ***1.810*** | 8000 | 0.062 | 4.855 | ***2.279*** | 8000 | 0.084 | 4.644 | ***2.215*** |
| 16000 | 0.484 | 4.339 | ***2.117*** | 16000 | 0.204 | 3.304 | ***1.724*** | 16000 | 0.265 | 3.168 | ***1.663*** |
| 32000 | 1.666 | 3.439 | ***1.782*** | 32000 | 0.928 | 4.541 | ***2.183*** | 32000 | 1.032 | 3.892 | ***1.960*** |
| 64000 | 6.819 | 4.094 | ***2.034*** | 64000 | 4.236 | 4.565 | ***2.191*** | 64000 | 4.444 | 4.306 | ***2.106*** |
| 128000 | 21.251 | 3.116 | ***1.640*** | 128000 | 23.034 | 5.437 | ***2.443*** | 128000 | 20.701 | 4.658 | ***2.220*** |
| 256000 | 197.504 | 9.294 | ***3.216*** | 256000 | 190.953 | 8.290 | ***3.051*** | 256000 | 193.411 | 9.343 | ***3.224*** |

**Figure 5**

Sort 5 seems to be a quite slow method all the time, and in all 3 cases, the order of its time complexity is converging to 2, i.e.,

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Random Ordered Array** | **Sorted Ordered Array** | **Reverse Ordered Array** |
| **K** | ***2*** | ***2*** | ***2*** |

Note that since we know the best comparison based sorting algorithm has O() complexity, we conclude that the *1.x* order is of complexity O(). Also, the order 2 methods has complexity O().

Also note that since we gathered data for several times to make sure the performance to be consistent, the data in the figures is not exactly same as the data in the tables. However, the trend for each part is the same.

**3.6 Stability Test Results**

**Table 3.6 Stability Test Results for Sorting Methods**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Array index | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | Stability |
| Sort1 | (1, 6) | (2, 5) | (3, 3) | (4, 2) | (5, 1) | (5, 4) | (5, 7) | **Stable** |
| Sort2 | (1, 6) | (2, 5) | (3, 3) | (4, 2) | (5, 1) | (5, 4) | (5, 7) | **Stable** |
| Sort3 | (1, 6) | (2, 5) | (3, 3) | (4, 2) | (5, 7) | (5, 1) | (5, 4) | **Unstable** |
| Sort4 | (1, 6) | (2, 5) | (3, 3) | (4, 2) | (5, 7) | (5, 1) | (5, 4) | **Unstable** |
| Sort5 | (1, 6) | (2, 5) | (3, 3) | (4, 2) | (5, 4) | (5, 1) | (5, 7) | **Unstable** |

According to table 3.6, sort1 and sort2 generated the same output while the second elements were kept in the original order, i.e., sort1 and sort 2 kept the original order of the second elements of {(5,1),(5,4) and (5,7)}. So one of them will be insertion sort and the other is merge sort. Also from table 1, we notice that sort3, sort4 and sort5 were unstable sorting methods, since the order of the second elements for the same first elements has been changed.

1. **Interpretation**

Based on the results shown in part 3, we could now make our inference.

Sort 5 always got a logarithm of ratio approaching to constant 2 for all the three cases when N was systematically doubled. We know the selection sort method had a time complexity of O() for all of the best, the average and the worst case. So sort 5 was the selection sort.

The overall performance of sort 2 is not quite well. However, when working on the sorted array, its performance is prominent. We know that the Insertion Sort has this property, which has a linear running time for best case, but O() performance for both average and worst cases.

Sort 4’s performance for the already sorted array and reverse ordered array is quite poor, both running time are about O(), but it performed well for the random array. We say sort 4 must be non-randomized quick sort. The performance of quicksort depends on the choice of pivot. A best choice of pivot is the median or some value close to the median. A worst choice will be the extreme value, such as minimum or maximum. The implementation of non-randomized quick sort use the most left element of the array, which will leads to worst choice of pivot in the already sorted array or the reverse ordered array. In this case, the time complexity is O(), while for the random case, it has time complexity of O(). Randomized quicksort permutes the array elements before the algorithm begins. This makes choice of the worst pivot be probabilistically impossible. Thus for randomized quicksort, we will always have best case, in probability.

The left two methods now are Merge Sort and Randomized Quick Sort. According to the experimental data, they both performs very well in all cases, which we say they both have O() performance in all cases. However, with the help of the stability tests, we can easily distinguish them. We know that Merge Sort is a stable algorithm which does not switch the original relative order of the duplicate elements, while Quick Sort is not. During the experiment, we see that sort1 kept the original order of the second elements of {(5,1),(5,4) and (5,7)}, while sort 3 did not. So sort 1 must be merge sort and therefore, sort 3 is Randomized Quick Sort, which completes our argument.

To make it clear, we summarize our interpretation and conclusion in the following table:

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Random** | **Sorted** | **Reversed** | **Stable ?** |  |
| **Sort 1** | *1.x* | *1.x* | *1.x* | Yes | **Merge Sort** |
| **Sort 2** | *2* | *1.x* | *1.x* | Yes | **Insertion Sort** |
| **Sort 3** | *1.x* | *1.x* | *1.x* | No | **Randomized Quick Sort** |
| **Sort 4** | *1.x* | *1.x* | *1.x* | No | **Non-Randomized Quick Sort** |
| **Sort 5** | *2* | *2* | *2* | No | **Selection Sort** |

In conclusion, an empirical analysis of algorithm of SortingLab.jar was performed to get the big-O running time complexity of and stability of five sorting methods—merge sort, selection sort, insertion sort, random quicksort and non-randomized quicksort. Based on the results, we successfully identified the five sorting methods. Sort 1 is merge sort, sort 2 is insertion sort, and sort 3 is randomized quicksort, sort4 is non-randomized quick sort, while sort 5 was selection sort.

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**Appendix A**

* **Random Ordered Client**

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| import java.util.Arrays; import java.util.Collection; import java.util.Comparator;  public final class SortingLabClient {   /\*\* Drives execution. \*/  public static void main(String[] args) {  int key = 46;  // run one sort on an array of Strings  /\*String[] as = {"D", "B", "E", "C", "A"};  SortingLab<String> sls = new SortingLab<String>(key);  sls.sort1(as);\*/    Pair[] a = {new Pair(5,1), new Pair(4,2), new Pair(3,3),   new Pair(5,4),new Pair(2,5), new Pair(1,6), new Pair(5,7)};    SortingLab<Pair> sl2 = new SortingLab<>(key);  sl2.sort1(a);  System.out.println("========sort 1===========================");  for (int i = 0; i < 7; i++){  System.out.print(a[i] + "\t");  }      // run a sort on multiple Integer arrays of increasing length  SortingLab<Integer> sli = new SortingLab<Integer>(key);  int M = 500000; //2000000; // max capacity for array  int N = 1000; //10000; // initial size of array  double start;  double elapsedTime;    double[] t = new double[100];  double R;  double k;    //for (; N < M; N \*= 2) {  for (int i = 0; i < 16; i++) {  Integer[] ai = getIntegerArray(N, Integer.MAX\_VALUE);  start = System.nanoTime();  sli.sort5(ai);  elapsedTime = (System.nanoTime() - start) / 1000000000d;  System.out.print(N + "\t");  System.out.printf("%4.3f\t", elapsedTime);    t[i] = elapsedTime;  if (i >= 1) {  R = t[i] / t[i - 1];  k = Math.log(R) / Math.log(2);  System.out.printf("%4.3f\t", R);  System.out.printf("%4.3f\n", k);  }  else {System.out.print("\n");}  N \*= 2;  }   }    /\*\*   \* Returns an array of size N filled with Integer values  \* in the range 0 .. max - 1.  \*/  private static Integer[] getIntegerArray(int N, int max) {  Integer[] a = new Integer[N];  java.util.Random rng = new java.util.Random();  for (int i = 0; i < N; i++) {  a[i] = rng.nextInt(max);  }  /\*Arrays.sort(a);  Integer[] b = new Integer[N];  for (int i = 0; i < N; i++) {  b[i] = a[N - i - 1];  }  return b;\*/  return a;  }   } |

* **Ordered Array Method**

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* **Reversed Order Method**

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| private static Integer[] getIntegerArray(int N, int max) {  Integer[] a = new Integer[N];  java.util.Random rng = new java.util.Random();  for (int i = 0; i < N; i++) {  a[i] = rng.nextInt(max);  }  Arrays.sort(a);  Integer[] b = new Integer[N];  for (int i = 0; i < N; i++) {  b[i] = a[N - i - 1];  }  return b;  //return a;  } |

* **Pair Class**

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| public class Pair implements Comparable<Pair> {  private int val1;  private int val2;    public Pair(int v1, int v2) {  this.val1 = v1;  this.val2 = v2;  }   public int compareTo(Pair other) {  //return (this.val1).compareTo(other.val1);  if (this.val1 < other.val1)  return -1;  else if (this.val1 > other.val1)  return 1;  else  return 0;  }    public String toString() {  return String.format("(" + val1 + ", " + val2 +")");  }  } |