S2 - PATTERN RECOGNITION

Assignment grading. Grading will be divided into parts A (15%), B (25%), C (60%) and D (10%, bonus). Grading will depend on correctness, speed, report, and memory usage. Grading for *correctness* will be done only by Mooshak. Grading for *speed* and *space* usage will be done by hand; it will merely check if you are implementing an approach that has the intended time $\mathcal{O}(N^2 \log(N))$ and space complexity $\mathcal{O}(N)$, with a very small constant.

Hand-in

Submit the following in Canvas [Updated 12 Sep] :

1. Your programs to problems A (`Point.java`), B (`Brute.java`), C (`Fast.java`) and optionally D (`Fast2.java`). These should also be tested on Mooshak.
2. The report.

S2: Pattern recognition

Acknowledgement: This assignment follows *Programming Assignment 3: Collinear Points* on Coursera, with some modifications. The original assignment was developed by Kevin Wayne. Copyright (C) 2005.

Computer vision involves analysing patterns in visual images and reconstructing the real-world objects that produced them. The process in often broken up into two phases: feature detection and pattern recognition. Feature detection involves selecting important features of the image; pattern recognition involves discovering patterns in the features. We will investigate a particularly clean pattern recognition problem involving points and line segments. This kind of pattern recognition arises in many other applications such as statistical data analysis.

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The problem.

Given a set of N distinct points in the plane, find all line segments that connects a subset of 4 or more points.
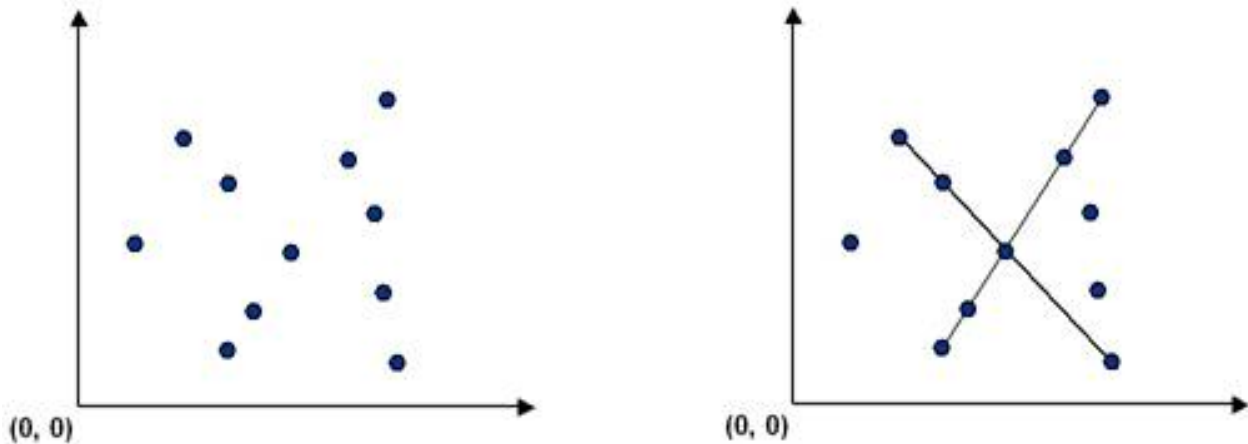
Mynd 1.

A. Point.java

Create an immutable data type Point that represents a point in the plane by implementing the following API

```java
public class Point implements Comparable<Point> {
    // compare points by slope to this point
    public final Comparator<Point> SLOPE_ORDER;

    // construct the point (x, y)
    public Point(int x, int y)

    // draw this point
    public void draw()

    // draw line segment from this point to that point
    public void drawTo(Point that)

    // string representation
    public String toString()

    // is this point lexicographically smaller than that point?
    public int compareTo(Point that)

    // the slope between this point and that point
    public double slopeTo(Point that)
}
```

To get started, use the attached data type Point.java, which implements the constructor and the draw(), drawTo(), and toString() methods. Your job is to add the following components.

1. The `compareTo()` method should compare points by their y-coordinates, breaking ties by their x-coordinates. Formally, the invoking point (x_0, y_0) is less than the argument point (x_1, y_1) if and only if either $y_0 < y_1$ or if $y_0 = y_1$ and $x_0 < x_1$.

2. The `slopeTo()` method should return the slope between the invoking point (x_0, y_0) and the argument point (x_1, y_1), which is given by the formula $(y_1 - y_0)/(x_1 - x_0)$. Treat the slope of a horizontal line segment as positive zero; treat the slope of a vertical line segment as positive infinity; treat the slope of a degenerate line segment (between a point and itself) as negative infinity.

3. The `SLOPE_ORDER` comparator should compare points by the slopes they make with the invoking point (x_0, y_0). Formally, the point (x_1, y_1) is less than the point (x_2, y_2) if and only if the slope $(y_1 - y_0)/(x_1 - x_0)$ is less than the slope $(y_2 - y_0)/(x_2 - x_0)$. Treat horizontal, vertical, and degenerate line segments as in the *slopeTo()* method.

Input: First comes an integer N, followed by N pairs of integers x y, each between 0 and 32,767.

```
1   10
2     4000  30000
3     3500  28000
4     3000  26000
5     2000  22000
6     1000  18000
7    13000  21000
8    23000  16000
9    28000  13500
10   28000   5000
11   28000   1000
```

Output:. You are provided with a `Point.java` program containing a `main` method, *do not modify this method.* Three methods are evaluated, `slopeTo`, `compareTo` and the `SLOPE_ORDER` comparator.

```
1    Testing slopeTo method...
2    4.0
3    4.0
4    4.0
5    4.0
6    0.25
7    -0.5
8    -0.5
9    Infinity
10   Infinity
11   Testing compareTo method...
12   -1
13   -1
14   -1
15   -1
16   1
17   -1
18   -1
19   -1
20   -1
21   Testing SLOPE_ORDER comparator...
22   0
23   0
24   0
25   1
26   -1
27   0
28   1
29   0
```

B. Brute.java

Write a program `Brute.java` that examines 4 points at a time and checks whether they all lie on the same line segment, printing out any such line segments to standard output. To check whether the 4 points p, q, r, and s are collinear, check whether the slopes between p and q, between p and r, and between p and s are all equal.

The order of growth of the running time of your program should be $\mathcal{O}(N^4)$ in the worst case and it should use space proportional to N.

Input: First comes an integer N, followed by N pairs of integers xy, each between 0 and 32,767.

```
 1   15
 2   10  0
 3   8   2
 4   2   8
 5   0   10
 6
 7   20 0
 8   18 2
 9   2 18
10
11   10 20
12   30 0
13   0   30
14   20 10
15
16   13 0
17   11 3
18   5   12
19   9   6
```

Output: Print out all line segments. The output *must be sorted*, meaning

1. The points within each pattern produced must be given in default sorted order, and
2. The order of the patterns output must be in default sorted order.

The default sorted order is the one that you implement in `Point.compareTo()`.

Correct output from the above input:

```
 1   (10, 0) -> (13, 0) -> (20, 0) -> (30, 0)
 2   (10, 0) -> (8, 2) -> (2, 8) -> (0, 10)
 3   (13, 0) -> (11, 3) -> (9, 6) -> (5, 12)
 4   (30, 0) -> (20, 10) -> (10, 20) -> (0, 30)
```
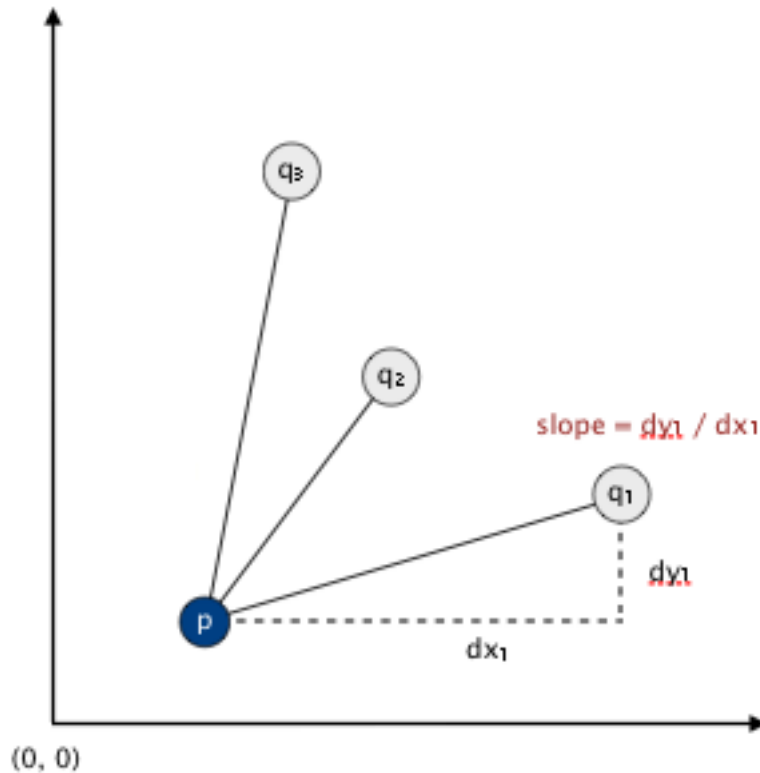
C. Fast.java

A faster, sorting-based solution. Remarkably, it is possible to solve the problem much faster than the brute-force solution described above. Given a point p, the following method determines whether p participates in a set of 4 or more collinear points.

- Think of p as the origin.
- For each other point q, determine the slope it makes with p.
- Sort the points according to the slopes they makes with p.
- Check if any 3 (or more) adjacent points in the sorted order have equal slopes with respect to p. If so, these points, together with p, are collinear.

Applying this method for each of the N points in turn yields an efficient algorithm to the problem. The algorithm solves the problem because points that have equal slopes with respect to p are collinear, and sorting brings such points together. The algorithm is fast because the bottleneck operation is sorting.

Mynd 2.

Write a program Fast.java that implements this algorithm. The order of growth of the running time of your program should be $\mathcal{O}(N^2 \log(N))$ in the worst case and it should use space proportional to N.

Input: Same as input for B.

Output: Print out all line segments. The output *must be sorted*, meaning

1. The points within each pattern produced must be given in default sorted order, and

2. The order of the patterns output must also be in default sorted order by the **first point** in each line, breaking ties with the slope of the patterns.

The default sorted order is the one that you implement in `Point.compareTo()`.

Correct output from the above input:

```
1  (10, 0) -> (8, 2) -> (2, 8) -> (0, 10)
2  (10, 0) -> (13, 0) -> (20, 0) -> (30, 0)
3  (13, 0) -> (11, 3) -> (9, 6) -> (5, 12)
4  (30, 0) -> (20, 10) -> (10, 20) -> (0, 30)
```

Examples of incorrect output from the above input:

```
1   # Example 1: Breaks the first rule
2   (10, 0) -> (0, 10) -> (2, 8) -> (8, 2)
3   (10, 0) -> (20, 0) -> (30, 0) -> (13, 0)
4   (13, 0) -> (5, 12) -> (9, 6) -> (11, 3)
5   (30, 0) -> (0, 30) -> (10, 20) -> (20, 10)
6
7   # Example 2: Patterns not sorted by their first point
8   (30, 0) -> (20, 10) -> (10, 20) -> (0, 30)
9   (13, 0) -> (11, 3) -> (9, 6) -> (5, 12)
10  (10, 0) -> (13, 0) -> (20, 0) -> (30, 0)
11  (10, 0) -> (8, 2) -> (2, 8) -> (0, 10)
12
13  # Example 3: The first pattern has slope 0
14  # while the second pattern has slope -1
15  (10, 0) -> (13, 0) -> (20, 0) -> (30, 0)
16  (10, 0) -> (8, 2) -> (2, 8) -> (0, 10)
17  (13, 0) -> (11, 3) -> (9, 6) -> (5, 12)
18  (30, 0) -> (20, 10) -> (10, 20) -> (0, 30)
```

D. Fast2.java

Do not print or plot subsegments of a line segment containing 5 or more points (e.g., if you output $p \rightarrow q \rightarrow r \rightarrow s \rightarrow t$, do not also output either $p \rightarrow q \rightarrow s \rightarrow t$ or $q \rightarrow r \rightarrow s \rightarrow t$). Same input specification as for $[B, C]$

Example. If `Fast.java` prints out the patterns

```
1  (0,0)->(5,0)->(10,0)->(15,0)->(20,0)->(25,0)->(30,0)
2  (5,0)->(10,0)->(15,0)->(20,0)->(25,0)->(30,0)
3  (10,0)->(15,0)->(20,0)->(25,0)->(30,0)
4  (15,0)->(20,0)->(25,0)->(30,0)
```

then `Fast2.java` should only print out the first pattern

```
1  (0,0)->(5,0)->(10,0)->(15,0)->(20,0)->(25,0)->(30,0)
```

Input/Output: Same as for **C**.