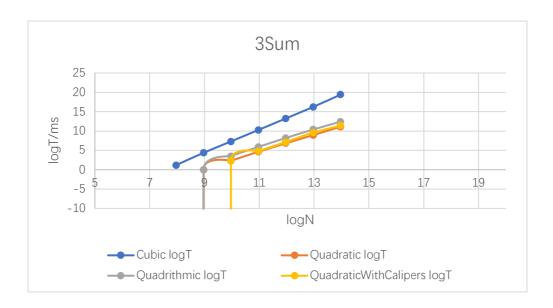
## INFO6205 - Assignment02 - 3Sum Report

Here is the Unit tests result of Quadratic and QuadraticWithCalipers Methods:

Relationship between data size N = 250, 500, 1000, 2000, 4000, 8000 and 16000 and operating time(ms) of Cubic, Quadratic, Quadrithmic and QuadriticWithCaplipers:

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N	Cubic/ms	Quadratic/ms	Quadrithmic/ms	QuadraticWithCalipers/ms
250	2.29	0	0	0
500	20.66	1	1	0
1000	159	5	11	5
2000	1240	25	59	28
4000	9719.8	114	295	143
8000	77161	492	1340	775
16000	694120	2238	5479	2669



## Explanation of why the quadratic method(s) work.

For 3SumQuadratic method, two pointers "i" and "k" will iterate in range [0, j - 1] and [j + 1, length - 1]. Because of the sorted array, if the sum of pointer "i" and "k" is smaller than -a[j], then the sum needs to be added up, so i++. If the sum of two pointers is bigger than -a[j], then the sum needs to be minus off, so j--.

```
public List<Triple> getTriples(int j) {
    List<Triple> triples = new ArrayList<>();
    // FIXME : for each candidate, test if a[i] + a[j] + a[k] = 0.
    if(j > 0) {
        int i = 0, k = length - 1, target = -a[j];
        while(i < j && k > j) {
            if(a[i] + a[k] < target) i++;
            else if(a[i] + a[k] > target) k--;
            else triples.add(new Triple(a[i++], a[j], a[k--]));
        }
    }
    // END
    return triples;
}
```

3SumQuadratic

For 3SumQuadraticWithCalipers, two pointers "l" and "r" will move in range [i + 1, r - 1] and [l + 1, length - 1] and follow the role that is same as 3SumQuadratic.

3SumQuadraticWithCalipers