

# Assignment 5

Please see the presentation on Assignment on Parallel Sorting under the Exams. etc. module. Your task is to implement a parallel sorting algorithm such that each partition of the array is sorted in parallel. You will consider two different schemes for deciding whether to sort in parallel. A cutoff (defaults to, say, 1000) which you will update according to the first argument in the command line when running. It's your job to experiment and come up with a good value for this cutoff. If there are fewer elements to sort than the cutoff, then you should use the system sort instead.

Recursion depth or the number of available threads. Using this determination, you might decide on an ideal number ( $t$ ) of separate threads (stick to powers of 2) and arrange for that number of partitions to be parallelized (by preventing recursion after the depth of  $\lg t$  is reached).

An appropriate combination of these.

There is a Main class and the ParSort class in the sort.par package of the INFO6205 repository. The Main class can be used as is but the ParSort class needs to be implemented where you see "TODO..." [it turns out that these TODOs are already implemented].

Unless you have a good reason not to, you should just go along with the Java8-style future implementations provided for you in the class repository.

You must prepare a report that shows the results of your experiments and draws a conclusion (or more) about the efficacy of this method of parallelizing sort. Your experiments should involve sorting arrays of sufficient size for the parallel sort to make a difference. You should run with many different array sizes (they must be sufficiently large to make parallel sorting worthwhile, obviously) and different cutoff schemes.

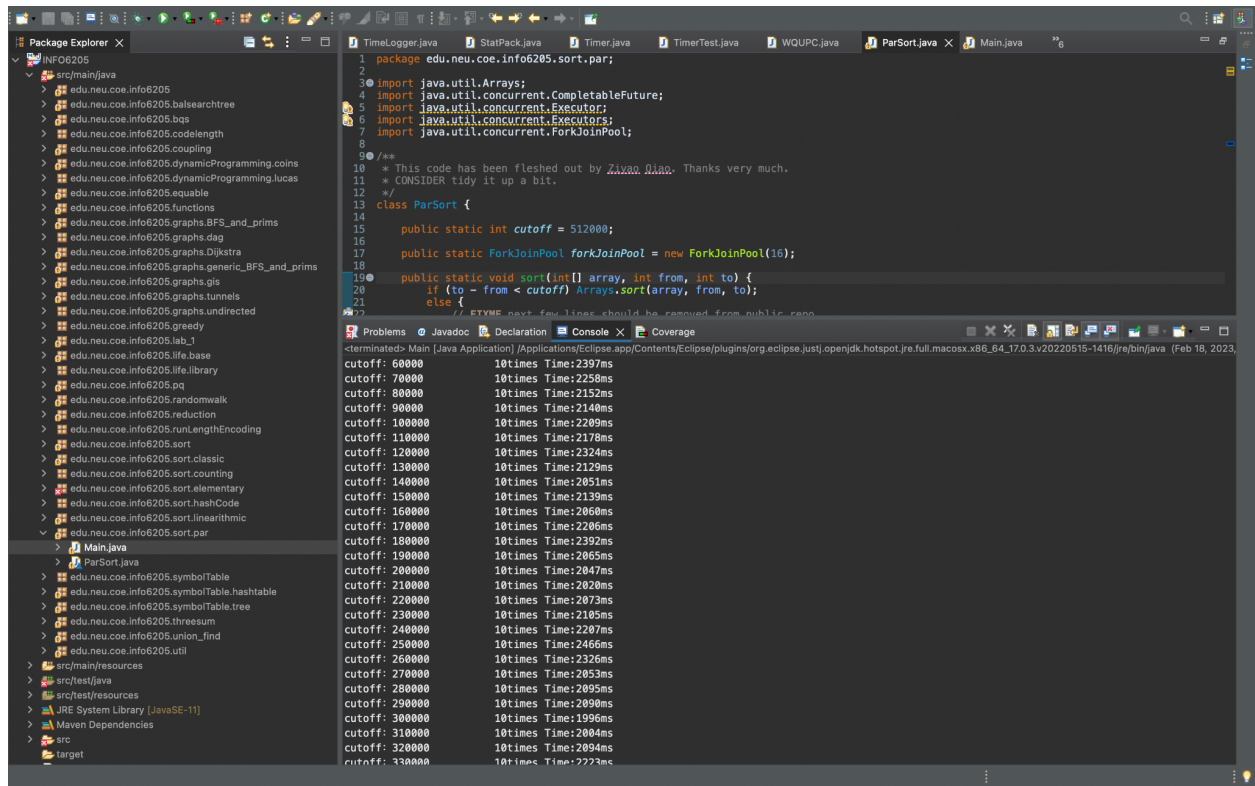
For varying the number of threads available, you might want to consult the following resources:

<https://www.callicoder.com/java-8-completablefuture-tutorial/#a-note-about-executor-and-thread-pool> Links to an external site.

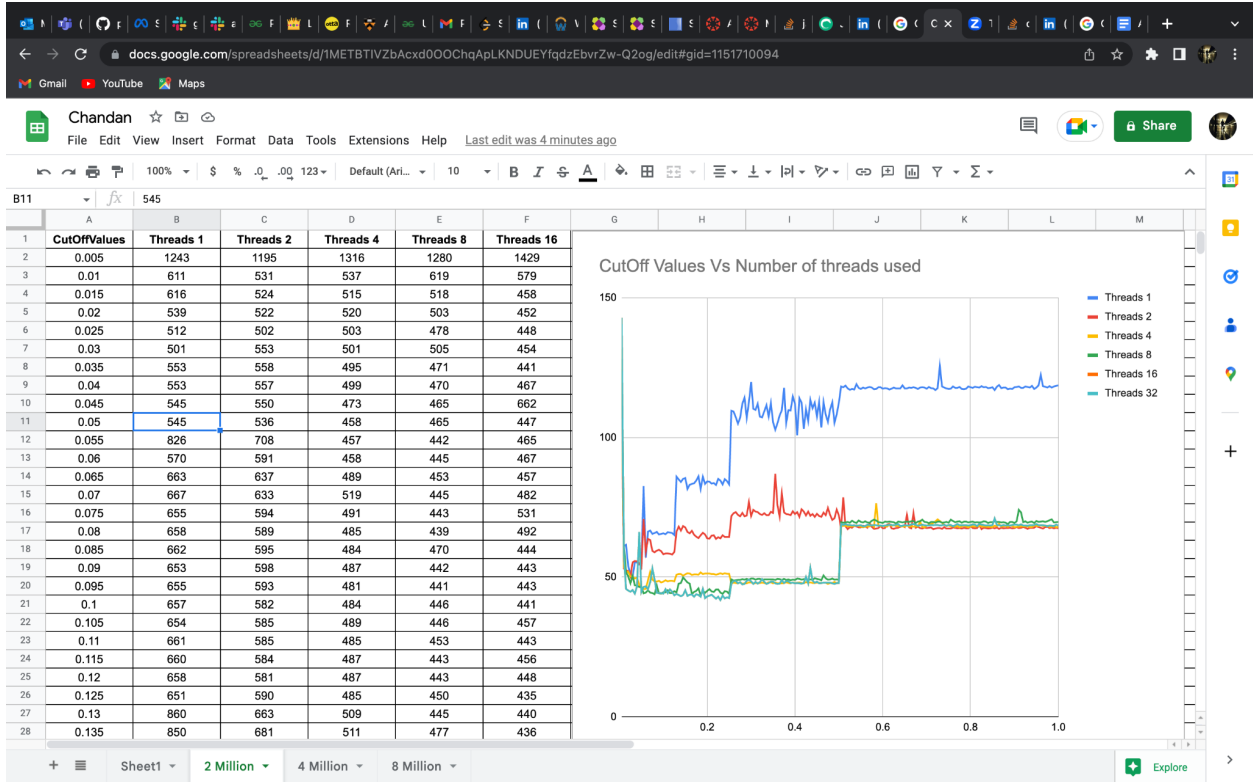
<https://stackoverflow.com/questions/36569775/how-to-set-forkjoinpool-with-the-desired-number-of-worker-threads-in-completable> Links to an external site.

Good luck and enjoy.

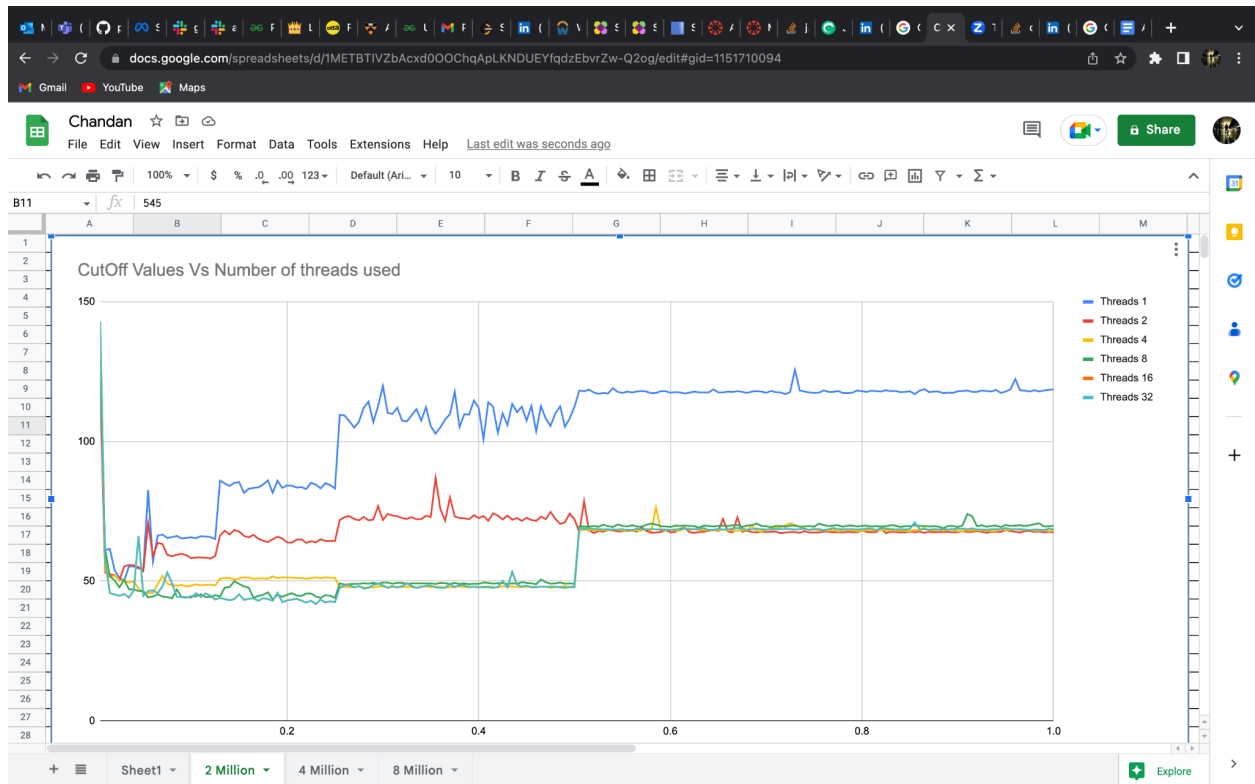
Answer ;



This is the sample data which was taken from the console and the csv file which was generated from the code



This is the sample data that are taken the cutoff for each trial is considered as 10% for the total size of the array for example the trial which is taking 200000 as the array size then the cut off value is around 20000 so that we can easily identify the values.

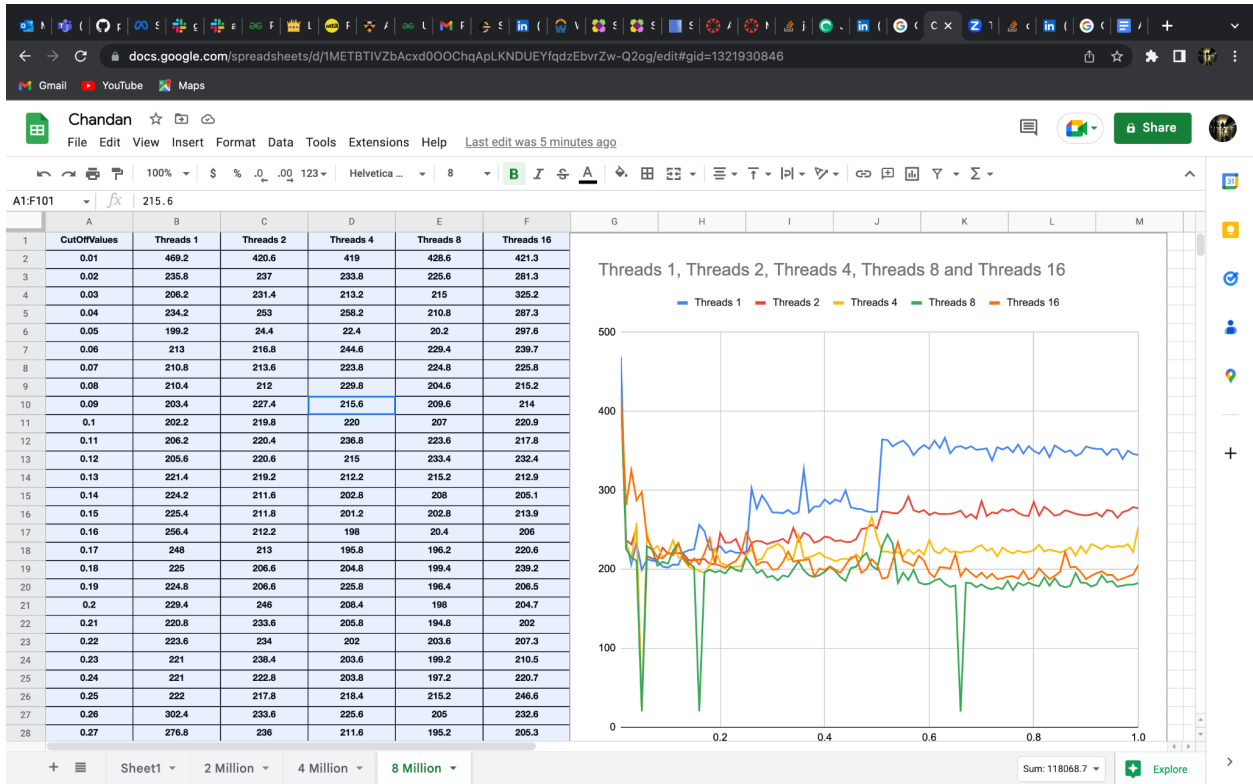


Form the above graph for a array size of 2million we have taken the cut off as 10000 which is equal to 5% for the total array.

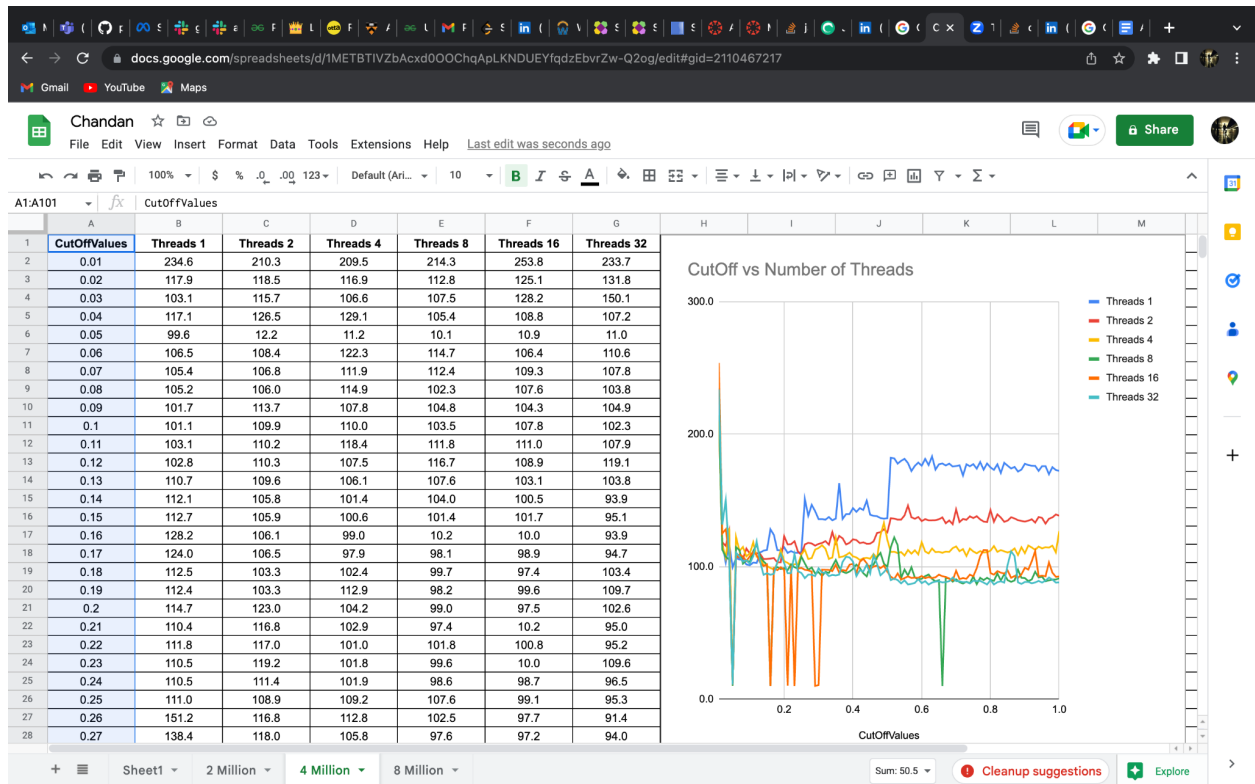
From the above graph we can see that after increasing the number of threads we can see there is no improvement in the performance and therefore the value remains almost constant and the time taken by thread 4 and thread taken almost similar time to execute.

From the above graph the time taken by the single thread takes more time and compared to the other threads where the initial cutoff values are small when the number of threads keeps on increasing the time taken will decrease only to a particular point and later on the graph when the size of the array is large and the number of threads will not make any difference for larger arrays usually the array size when it crosses the cut off value which is around 50%, of the total array size and the number of thread which is idea will be close to 8 threads where after the 8 threads the performance of 16 and 32 threads are almost the same.

These are the data :



The above graphs which has a arrays capacity of 8 million.



This is the graph obtained after changing the array size to 4 million and therefore the from the above graphs we can conclude that for a 4 million the cutoff value is around 0.5 which is 50 percent of the total array size. And the from the number of threads single threads takes more time which is followed by 2 threads and 4 threads and after the fourths thread the threads which are qual to and greater than 8 threads takes the same time as the rest of other threads and therefore the there is not significant increase in performance after increasing the number of threads from 8 Therefore the ideal cutoff values range is almost around 50 % and the number of threads which are good and to give maximum performance is 8 threads.