Sort Benchmark Home Page

New: We are happy to announce the 2022 winners listed below. The new, 2022 records are listed in green. Congratulations to the winners!

Background

Until 2007, the sort benchmarks were primarily defined, sponsored and administered by Jim Gray. Following Jim's disappearance at sea in January 2007, the sort benchmarks have been continued by a committee of past colleagues and sort benchmark winners. The Sort Benchmark committee members include:

- Chris Nyberg of Ordinal Technology Corp
- Mehul Shah of Aryn.ai
- George Porter of UC San Diego Computer Science & Engineering Dept

Top Results

	Daytona	Indy	
Gray	Tencent Sort 100 TB in 134 Seconds 512 nodes x (2 OpenPOWER 10-core POWER8 2.926 GHz, 512 GB memory, 4x Huawei ES3600P V3 1.2TB NVMe SSD, 100Gb Mellanox ConnectX4-EN) Jie Jiang, Lixiong Zheng, Junfeng Pu, Xiong Cheng, Chongqing Zhao Tencent Corporation Mark R. Nutter, Jeremy D. Schaub 2016, \$1.44 / TB NADSort 100 TB for \$144 394 Alibaba Cloud ECS ecs.n1.large nodes x (Haswell E5-2680 v3, 8 GB memory, 40GB Ultra Cloud Disk, 4x 135GB SSD Cloud Disk) Qian Wang, Rong Gu, Yihua Huang Nanjing University Reynold Xin Databricks Inc. Wei Wu, Jun Song, Junluan Xia Alibaba Group Inc.	2016, 60.7 TB/min Tencent Sort 100 TB in 98.8 Seconds 512 nodes x (2 OpenPOWER 10-core POWER8 2.926 GHz, 512 GB memory, 4x Huawei ES3600P V3 1.2TB NVMe SSD, 100Gb Mellanox ConnectX4-EN) Jie Jiang, Lixiong Zheng, Junfeng Pu, Xiong Cheng, Chongqing Zhao Tencent Corporation Mark R. Nutter, Jeremy D. Schaub 2022, \$0.97 / TB Exoshuffle-CloudSort 100 TB for \$97 40 Amazon EC2 i4i.4xlarge nodes 1 Amazon EC2 r6i.2xlarge node Amazon S3 storage Frank Sifei Luan UC Berkeley Stephanie Wang UC Berkeley and Anyscale Samyukta Yagati, Sean Kim, Kenneth Lien, Isaac Ong, Tony Hong UC Berkeley SangBin Cho, Eric Liang Anyscale Ion Stoica	
Minute	2016, 37 TB Tencent Sort 512 nodes x (2 OpenPOWER 10-core POWER8 2.926 GHz, 512 GB memory, 4x Huawei ES3600P V3 1.2TB NVMe SSD, 100Gb Mellanox ConnectX4-EN) Jie Jiang, Lixiong Zheng, Junfeng Pu, Xiong Cheng, Chongqing Zhao Tencent Corporation Mark R. Nutter, Jeremy D. Schaub	UC Berkeley and Anyscale 2016, 55 TB Tencent Sort 512 nodes x (2 OpenPOWER 10-core POWER8 2.926 GHz, 512 GB memory, 4x Huawei ES3600P V3 1.2TB NVMe SSD, 100Gb Mellanox ConnectX4-EN) Jie Jiang, Lixiong Zheng, Junfeng Pu, Xiong Cheng, Chongqing Zhao Tencent Corporation	
Joule 10 ¹⁰ recs	RezSort 72 K records sorted / joule Intel i7-10700, 16GB RAM, Nsort, Ubuntu 18.04.5 LTS, 2 SK hynix Gold P31 1TB SSDs, 1 Samsung 980 Pro 2TB SSD Waleed Reda Université catholique de Louvain, KTH Royal Institute of Technology Dejan Kostić KTH Royal Institute of Technology	Mark R. Nutter, Jeremy D. Schaub 2022, 63 KJoules ELSAR 159 K records sorted / joule Intel Core i5-12600K, 32GB RAM, Ubuntu 20.04 Server, 4 WD_BLACK SN850 2TB Ani Kristo, Brown University Padmanabhan Pillai, Intel Labs Tim Kraska, MIT and Amazon	

Common Rules

All the sort benchmarks share the following ground rules:

- $\bullet\,$ Must sort to and from operating system files on secondary storage.
- No raw disk usage allowed since we are trying to test the IO subsystem.
- File or device striping (RAID 0) are allowed (encouraged) to get bandwidth. If file striping is used then the concatenated files must form a sorted file
- The output file must be created as part of the sort.
- Time includes the launching of the sort program.

- The sort input records must be 100 bytes in length, with the first 10 bytes being a random key.
- Use the gensort record generator to create the input records.
- The sort output file must be validated for correct key order and checksum.
- The hardware used should be commercially available (off-the-shelf), and unmodified (e.g. no processor over or under clocking).

Sort Benchmarks

GraySort	Metric: Sort rate (TBs / minute) achieved while sorting a very large amount of data (currently 100 TB minimum).	
CloudSort	Metric: Minimum cost for sorting a very large amount of data on a public cloud. (currently 100 TB). Complete rules in the CloudSort short paper.	
MinuteSort	Metric: Amount of data that can be sorted in 60.00 seconds or less. Originally defined in AlphaSort paper.	
JouleSort	Metric: Amount of energy required to sort 10 ⁸ , 10 ⁹ , 10 ¹⁰ , or 10 ¹² records (10 GB, 100 GB, 1 TB, or 100TB). Originally defined in JouleSort paper. The 10 ⁸ , 10 ⁹ and 10 ¹² records JouleSort benchmarks are now deprecated.	
PennySort	Metric: Amount of data that can be sorted for a penny's worth of system time. Originally defined in AlphaSort paper. PennySort is now deprecated.	
TeraByte Sort	Metric: Elapsed time to sort 10 ¹² bytes of data. The TeraByte benchmark is now deprecated because it became essentially the same as MinuteSort.	
Datamation Sort	Metric: Amount of time to sort one million records (100 MB). This is the original sort benchmark, defined in A Measure of Transaction Processing Power With 25 others Datamation, V 31.7, April 1985, pp 112-118. Originally, winners took 1 hour, now 1 second! So the benchmark is deprecated.	

Benchmark Categories

For each sort benchmark, there are two categories:

Daytona (stock car)	Indy (formula 1)	
Sort code must be general purpose.	Need only sort 100-byte records with 10-byte keys.	

Complete Rules

For the detailed rules, see the frequently asked questions (FAQ).

Process

Entries must include a document describing the algorithm and the hardware in enough detail so that others could reproduce the result. Click on the title of any previous winning sort to view sort description document.

New Entries

The submission deadline for the 2022 contest is still being decided.

Past Winners

 Daytona	Indy	
2015, 15.9 TB/min	2015, 18.2 TB/min	
FuxiSort	FuxiSort	
100 TB in 377 seconds	100 TB in 329 seconds	
3,134 nodes x (2 Xeon E5-2630 2.30Ghz,	3,134 nodes x (2 Xeon E5-2630 2.30Ghz,	
96 GB memory, 12x2 TB SATA HD, 10 Gb/s Ethernet)	96 GB memory, 12x2 TB SATA HD, 10 Gb/s Ethernet)	
+ 243 nodes x (2 Xeon E5-2650v2 2.60Ghz,	+ 243 nodes x (2 Xeon E5-2650v2 2.60Ghz,	
128 GB memory, 12x2 TB SATA HD, 10 Gb/s Ethernet)	128 GB memory, 12x2 TB SATA HD, 10 Gb/s Ethernet)	
Jiamang Wang, Yongjun Wu, Hua Cai, Zhipeng Tang, Zhiqiang Lv,	Jiamang Wang, Yongjun Wu, Hua Cai, Zhipeng Tang, Zhiqiang Lv,	
Bin Lu, Yangyu Tao, Chao Li, Jingren Zhou, Hong Tang	Bin Lu, Yangyu Tao, Chao Li, Jingren Zhou, Hong Tang	
Alibaba Group Inc	Alibaba Group Inc	
2014, 4.35 TB/min	2014, 8.38 TB/min	
TritonSort	BaiduSort	

186 Amazon EC2 i2.8xlarge nodes x 982 nodes x (32 vCores - 2.50Ghz Intel Xeon E5-2670 v2, 244GB memory, 8x800 (2 2.10Ghz Intel Xeon E5-2450, 192 GB memory, 8x3TB 7200 RPM GB SSD) SATA) Michael Conley, Amin Vahdat, Dasheng Jiang **George Porter** Baidu Inc. and Peking University University of California, San Diego 2013, 1.42 TB/min 2014, 4.27 TB/min Hadoop **Apache Spark** 102.5 TB in 4,328 seconds 100 TB in 1,406 seconds 2100 nodes x 207 Amazon EC2 i2.8xlarge nodes x (2 2.3Ghz hexcore Xeon E5-2630, 64 GB memory, 12x3TB disks) (32 vCores - 2.5Ghz Intel Xeon E5-2670 v2, 244GB memory, 8x800 **Thomas Graves** Yahoo! Inc. GB SSD) Reynold Xin, Parviz Deyhim, Xiangrui Meng, Ali Ghodsi, Matei Zaharia 2011, 0.938 TB/min Databricks Grav **TritonSort** 2013, 1.42 TB/min 100 TB in 6,395 seconds 52 nodes x Hadoop (2 Quadcore processors, 24 GB memory, 16x500GB disks) 102.5 TB in 4.328 seconds Cisco Nexus 5096 switch 2100 nodes x Alex Rasmussen, Michael Conley, (2 2.3Ghz hexcore Xeon E5-2630, 64 GB memory, 12x3TB disks) George Porter, Amin Vahdat, **Thomas Graves** University of California, San Diego Yahoo! Inc. 2010, 0.582 TB/min 2011, 0.725 TB/min **TritonSort TritonSort** 100 TB in 10,318 seconds 100 TB in 8,274 seconds 47 nodes x 52 nodes x (2 Quadcore processors, 24 GB memory, 16x500GB disks) (2 Quadcore processors, 24 GB memory, 16x500GB disks) Cisco Nexus 5020 switch Cisco Nexus 5096 switch Alex Rasmussen, Radhika Niranjan Mysore, Alex Rasmussen, Michael Conley, Harsha V. Madhyastha, Michael Conley, George Porter, Amin Vahdat, George Porter, Amin Vahdat, University of California, San Diego University of California, San Diego 2009, 0.578 TB/min **Alexander Pucher** Vienna University of Technology Hadoop 100 TB in 173 minutes 2009, 0.564 TB/min 3452 nodes x (2 Quadcore Xeons, 8 GB memory, 4 SATA) **DEMSort** Owen O'Malley and Arun Murthy 100 TB in 10.628 seconds Yahoo Inc. 195 nodes x (2 Quadcore processors, 16 GB memory, 4x250GB disks) 288-port InfiniBand 4xDDR switch Mirko Rahn, Peter Sanders, Johannes Singler and Tim Kieritz Karlsruhe Institute of Technology, Germany 2016, \$1.44 / TB 2014, \$4.51 / TB **TritonSort NADSort** 100 TB for \$451 100 TB for \$144 330 Amazon EC2 r3.4xlarge nodes x 394 Alibaba Cloud ECS ecs.n1.large nodes x (16 vCores - 2.50Ghz Intel Xeon E5-2670 v2, 122 GB memory, 320GB (Haswell E5-2680 v3, 8 GB memory, 40GB Ultra Cloud Disk, 4x 135GB SSD Cloud Disk) SSD, 8x135GB EBS gp2) Michael Conley, Amin Vahdat, Qian Wang, Rong Gu, Yihua Huang Nanjing University **George Porter** University of California, San Diego Reynold Xin Databricks Inc. Wei Wu, Jun Song, Junluan Xia Cloud Alibaba Group Inc. 2014, \$4.51 / TB **TritonSort** 100 TB for \$451 330 Amazon EC2 r3.4xlarge nodes x (16 vCores - 2.50Ghz Intel Xeon E5-2670 v2, 122 GB memory, 320GB SSD, 8x135GB EBS gp2) Michael Conley, Amin Vahdat, **George Porter** University of California, San Diego 2015, 7.7 TB 2015, 11 TB **FuxiSort FuxiSort** 3,134 nodes x (2 Xeon E5-2630 2.30Ghz, 3,134 nodes x (2 Xeon E5-2630 2.30Ghz, 96 GB memory, 12x2 TB SATA HD, 10 Gb/s Ethernet) 96 GB memory, 12x2 TB SATA HD, 10 Gb/s Ethernet) + 243 nodes x (2 Xeon E5-2650v2 2.60Ghz, + 243 nodes x (2 Xeon E5-2650v2 2.60Ghz, 128 GB memory, 12x2 TB SATA HD, 10 Gb/s Ethernet) 128 GB memory, 12x2 TB SATA HD, 10 Gb/s Ethernet)

100 TB in 716 seconds

Jiamang Wang, Yongjun Wu, Hua Cai, Zhipeng Tang, Zhiqiang Lv,

100 TB in 1,378 seconds

Jiamang Wang, Yongjun Wu, Hua Cai, Zhipeng Tang, Zhiqiang Lv,

Bin Lu, Yangyu Tao, Chao Li, Jingren Zhou, Hong Tang Alibaba Group Inc

2014, 3.7 TB

DeepSort

384 nodes x

(2 2.10Ghz Intel Xeon hexa-core, 64 GB memory, 8 7200 RPM hard drives)

Zheng Li, Juhan Lee Samsung

2012, 1,401 GB

Flat Datacenter Storage

256 heterogeneous nodes, 1033 disks Johnson Apacible, Rich Draves, Jeremy Elson, Jinliang Fan, Owen Hofmann, Jon Howell, Ed Nightingale, Reuben Olinksy, Yutaka Suzue Microsoft Research

2009, 500 GB

Hadoop

1406 nodes x (2 Quadcore Xeons, 8 GB memory, 4 SATA)

Owen O'Malley and Arun Murthy

Yahoo Inc.

2007, 214 GB

TokuSampleSort

tx2500 disk cluster 400 nodes x (2 processors, 6-disk RAID, 8 GB memory) Bradley C. Kuszmaul, MIT

2006, 40 GB

NeoSort

Windows, Fujitsu 32 Itanium2, 128 SAN disks Chris Nyberg, Charles Koester Ordinal Technology Corp

2004, 34 GB

Nsort

Windows, 32 Itanium2, 2,350 disks Chris Nyberg, Charles Koester Ordinal

2000, 12 GB

Nsort

SGI 32 cpu Origin IRIX

1998, 5.8 GB

Nsort

SGI 32 cpu Origin IRIX

1997, 3.5 GB

Nsort

IRIX Challenge Ordinal Technology Corp

1995, 1.1 GB

AlphaSort

Nyberg

Bin Lu, Yangyu Tao, Chao Li, Jingren Zhou, Hong Tang Alibaba Group Inc

2014, 7.0 TB

BaiduSort

993 nodes x

(2 2.10Ghz Intel Xeon E5-2450, 192 GB memory, 8x3TB 7200 RPM SATA)

Dasheng Jiang Baidu Inc. and Peking University

2012, 1,470 GB

Flat Datacenter Storage

256 heterogeneous nodes, 1033 disks Johnson Apacible, Rich Draves, Jeremy Elson, Jinliang Fan, Owen Hofmann, Jon Howell, Ed Nightingale, Reuben Olinksy, Yutaka Suzue Microsoft Research

2011, 1353GB

TritonSort

52 nodes x

(2 Quadcore processors, 24 GB memory, 16x500GB disks)
Cisco Nexus 5096 switch
Alex Rasmussen, Michael Conley,

George Porter, Amin Vahdat, University of California, San Diego

2010, 1014 GB

TritonSort

52 nodes x

(2 Quadcore processors, 24 GB memory, 16x500GB disks)
Cisco Nexus 5020 switch
Alex Rasmussen, Radhika Niranjan Mysore,
Harsha V. Madhyastha, Michael Conley,
George Porter, Amin Vahdat,
University of California, San Diego
Alexander Pucher
Vienna University of Technology

2009, 955 GB

DEMSort

195 nodes x

(2 Quadcore processors, 16 GB memory, 4x250GB disks)
288-port InfiniBand 4xDDR switch
Mirko Rahn, Peter Sanders,
Johannes Singler and Tim Kieritz
Karlsruhe Institute of Technology, Germany

2007, 264 GB

TokuSampleSort

tx2500 disk cluster

400 nodes x (2 processors, 6-disk RAID, 8 GB memory)
Bradley C. Kuszmaul, MIT

2005, 125 GB

SCS

Linux, 80 Itanium2, 2,520 SAN disks Jim Wyllie, IBM Almaden Research

2004, 32 GB

Nsort

32 x Itanium2 WinServer Chris Nyberg, Charles Koester Ordinal Technology

2000, 21.8 GB

NOW+HPVMsort

64 nodes WinNT Luis Rivera, Xianan Zhang, Andrew Chien UCSD

1999, 10,3 GB

NOW+MPI HPVMsort

Luis Rivera, UIUC Andrew Chien, UCSD

1998, 8.41 GB

Minute

NowSort

95 UltraSparc + MyrinetSolaris UC Berkeley

1997, 3.5 GB

Nsort

SGI/Nyberg,Koester Nsort/Irix/Challenge

1995, 1.08 GB

AlphaSort

Nyberg

2013, 889 Joules

NTOSort

112,545 records sorted / joule Lenovo X220, 2.8 Ghz Intel i5-2640M, 16GB RAM, Nsort, Windows 8, 1 OCZ 120GB mSATA Nocti SSD, 2 Samsung 840 Pro 256GB SSDs Andreas Ebert Microsoft

2012, 1,393 Joules

FAWNSort

71,800 records sorted / joule
Intel Core i7-2700K 3.5 GHz, 16GB RAM, Nsort,

16 x 300 GB Intel 710 Series SSDs, 1 160 GB Intel 510 Series SSD
Padmanabhan Pillai, Michael Kaminsky, Michael A. Kozuch,
Intel Labs Pittsburgh
David Andersen
Carnegie Mellon University

2011, 1,430 Joules

FAWNSort

69,900 records sorted / joule
Intel Core i5-2400S 2.5 GHz, 16GB RAM, Nsort,
7 x 120 GB Intel 510 Series SSDs
Padmanabhan Pillai, Michael Kaminsky, Michael A. Kozuch,
Intel Labs Pittsburgh
Vijay Vasudevan, Lawrence Tan, David Andersen
Carnegie Mellon University

2010, 2.2 KJoules

FAWNSort

44,900 records sorted / joule
Intel Xeon L3426 1.86GHz, 12GB RAM, Nsort,
Fusion-io ioDrive (80GB), 4 x Intel X25-E (3 x 32GB, 1 x 64GB)
Vijay Vasudevan, Lawrence Tan, David Andersen
Carnegie Mellon University
Michael Kaminsky, Michael A. Kozuch, Padmanabhan Pillai
Intel Labs Pittsburgh

2010 Jan 1, 4.0 KJoules

2007, 8.6 KJoules

FlashSort

24,800 records sorted / joule Quad Core AMD Opteron 2373 2.01GHz, 16GB RAM 80GB FusionIO John D. Davis (Microsoft Research) Suzanne Rivoire (Sonoma State University)

CoolSort

11,600 records sorted / joule Mobile Core 2 Duo, 13 SATA laptop disks, 2GB RAM, Nsort Suzanne Rivoire (Stanford), Mehul A. Shah (HP Labs), Partha Ranganathan (HP Labs), Christos Kozyrakis (Stanford) 2013, 889 Joules

NTOSort

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Lenovo X220, 2.8 Ghz Intel i5-2640M, 16GB RAM, Nsort, Windows 8,
1 OCZ 120GB mSATA Nocti SSD, 2 Samsung 840 Pro 256GB SSDs
Andreas Ebert
Microsoft

2012, 1,393 Joules

FAWNSort

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Padmanabhan Pillai, Michael Kaminsky, Michael A. Kozuch,
Intel Labs Pittsburgh
David Andersen
Carnegie Mellon University

2011, 1,430 Joules

FAWNSort

69,900 records sorted / joule
Intel Core i5-2400S 2.5 GHz, 16GB RAM, Nsort,
7 x 120 GB Intel 510 Series SSDs
Padmanabhan Pillai, Michael Kaminsky, Michael A. Kozuch,
Intel Labs Pittsburgh
Vijay Vasudevan, Lawrence Tan, David Andersen
Carnegie Mellon University

2010, 2.2 KJoules

FAWNSort

44,900 records sorted / joule
Intel Xeon L3426 1.86GHz, 12GB RAM, Nsort,
Fusion-io ioDrive (80GB), 4 x Intel X25-E (3 x 32GB, 1 x 64GB)
Vijay Vasudevan, Lawrence Tan, David Andersen
Carnegie Mellon University
Michael Kaminsky, Michael A. Kozuch, Padmanabhan Pillai
Intel Labs Pittsburgh

2010, 2.3 KJoules

EcoSort

42,600 records sorted / joule
Intel Atom 330 1.6GHz, 4GB RAM,
4 x Super Talent UltraDrive GX MLC 256GB
Andreas Beckmann, Ulrich Meyer
Goethe University Frankfurt am Main, Germany
Peter Sanders, Johannes Singler
Karlsruhe Institute of Technology, Germany

2010 Jan 1, 2.8 KJoules

EcoSort

35,500 records sorted / joule
Intel Atom 330 1.6GHz, 4GB RAM,
4 x SuperTalent UltraDrive GX MLC 256GB
Andreas Beckmann, Ulrich Meyer
Goethe University Frankfurt am Main, Germany
Peter Sanders, Johannes Singler
Karlsruhe Institute of Technology, Germany

2013, 12,092 Joules

NTOSort

82,697 records sorted / joule Lenovo X220, 2.8 Ghz Intel i5-2640M, 16GB RAM, Nsort, Windows 8, 1 OCZ 120GB mSATA Nocti SSD, 2 Samsung 840 Pro 256GB SSDs Andreas Ebert Microsoft

2013, 12,092 Joules

NTOSort

82,697 records sorted / joule Lenovo X220, 2.8 Ghz Intel i5-2640M, 16GB RAM, Nsort, Windows 8, 1 OCZ 120GB mSATA Nocti SSD, 2 Samsung 840 Pro 256GB SSDs Andreas Ebert Microsoft

Joule 10⁸ recs (deprecated) 2012, 21.0 KJoules

FAWNSort

47,500 records sorted / joule
Intel Core i7-2700K 3.5 GHz, 8GB RAM, Nsort,

16 x 300 GB Intel 710 Series SSDs, 1 160 GB Intel 510 Series SSD
Padmanabhan Pillai, Michael Kaminsky, Michael A. Kozuch,
Intel Labs Pittsburgh
David Andersen
Carnegie Mellon University

2010, 27.9 KJoules

Joule

10⁹ recs

(deprecated)

Nsort

35,800 records sorted / joule
Intel Atom 330 1.6GHz, 4GB RAM,
4 x Super Talent UltraDrive GX MLC 256GB
Andreas Beckmann, Ulrich Meyer
Goethe University Frankfurt am Main, Germany
Peter Sanders, Johannes Singler
Karlsruhe Institute of Technology, Germany

2007, 88 KJoules

CoolSort

11,300 records sorted / joule Mobile Core 2 Duo, 13 SATA laptop disks, 2GB RAM, Nsort Suzanne Rivoire (Stanford), Mehul A. Shah (HP Labs), Partha Ranganathan (HP Labs), Christos Kozyrakis (Stanford) 2012, 21.0 KJoules

FAWNSort

47,500 records sorted / joule
Intel Core i7-2700K 3.5 GHz, 8GB RAM, Nsort,
16 x 300 GB Intel 710 Series SSDs, 1 160 GB Intel 510 Series SSD
Padmanabhan Pillai, Michael Kaminsky, Michael A. Kozuch,
Intel Labs Pittsburgh
David Andersen
Carnegie Mellon University

2010, 25.1 KJoules

EcoSort

39,900 records sorted / joule
Intel Atom 330 1.6GHz, 4GB RAM,
4 x Super Talent UltraDrive GX MLC 256GB
Andreas Beckmann, Ulrich Meyer
Goethe University Frankfurt am Main, Germany
Peter Sanders, Johannes Singler
Karlsruhe Institute of Technology, Germany

2010 Jan 1, 27.5 KJoules

EcoSort

36,400 records sorted / joule
Intel Atom 330 1.6GHz, 4GB RAM,
4 x SuperTalent UltraDrive GX MLC 256GB
Andreas Beckmann, Ulrich Meyer
Goethe University Frankfurt am Main, Germany
Peter Sanders, Johannes Singler
Karlsruhe Institute of Technology, Germany

2009, 87 KJoules

OzSort

11,600 records sorted / joule
2.6 Ghz AMD Athlon LE-1640, 4GB RAM,
7x160 GB 7200 RPM SATA, Linux
Nikolas Askitis and Ranjan Sinha
Univ. Melbourne, Australia

2019, 163 KJoules

TaichiSort

61 K records sorted / joule
Intel i7-9700, 32GB RAM, Nsort, Ubuntu 16.04.3 LTS,
2 Intel DC 3600 series PCIe NVMe SSD (1.2 TB), 1 Intel DC 3600
series PCIe NVMe SSD (2.0 TB)
Ming Liu, Kaiyuan Zhang, Arvind Krishnamurthy
University of Washington
Simon Peter
University of Texas at Austin

2013, 168 KJoules

NTOSort

59 K records sorted / joule
Intel i7-3770K, 16GB RAM, Nsort, Windows 8,
16 Samsung 840 Pro 256GB SSDs, 1 Samsung 840 Pro 128GB SSD
Andreas Ebert
Microsoft

2012, 229 KJoules

Joule

10¹⁰ recs

FAWNSort

43,700 records sorted / joule
Intel Core i7-2700K 3.5 GHz, 8GB RAM, Nsort,

16 x 300 GB Intel 710 Series SSDs, 1 160 GB Intel 510 Series SSD
Padmanabhan Pillai, Michael Kaminsky, Michael A. Kozuch,
Intel Labs Pittsburgh
David Andersen
Carnegie Mellon University

2011, 1,900 KJoules

Nsort

5,273 records sorted / joule
2 x Intel Xeon X5550 2.67 GHz, 48 GB RAM
8 x 1TB Seagate 7200RPM SATA HDD
Andreas Beckmann, Ulrich Meyer
Goethe University Frankfurt am Main, Germany
Peter Sanders, Johannes Singler
Karlsruhe Institute of Technology, Germany

2007, 2920 KJoules

2019, 89 KJoules

KioxiaSort

112 K records sorted / joule
Intel i9-9900K, 64GB RAM, Ubuntu 19.04 Server,
8 CFD CSSD-M2B1TPG3VNF (1TB), 1 Toshiba XG5-P KXG50PNV2T04
(2TB)

Shintaro Sano, Tomoya Suzuki Kioxia Corporation Zaid Mahmoud Princess Sumaya University for Technology

2013, 168 KJoules

NTOSort

59,444 records sorted / joule
Intel i7-3770K, 16GB RAM, Nsort, Windows 8,
16 Samsung 840 Pro 256GB SSDs, 1 Samsung 840 Pro 128GB SSD
Andreas Ebert
Microsoft

2012, 229 KJoules

FAWNSort

43,700 records sorted / joule
Intel Core i7-2700K 3.5 GHz, 8GB RAM, Nsort,
16 x 300 GB Intel 710 Series SSDs, 1 160 GB Intel 510 Series SSD
Padmanabhan Pillai, Michael Kaminsky, Michael A. Kozuch,
Intel Labs Pittsburgh
David Andersen
Carnegie Mellon University

2010, 572 KJoules

DEMSort

17,500 records sorted / joule
Intel Atom 330 1.6GHz, 4GB RAM,
4 x Super Talent UltraDrive GX MLC 256GB
Andreas Beckmann, Ulrich Meyer
Goethe University Frankfurt am Main, Germany
Peter Sanders, Johannes Singler
Karlsruhe Institute of Technology, Germany

2010 Jan 1, 724 KJoules

CoolSort **DEMSort** 3,425 records sorted / joule 13,800 records sorted / joule Intel Xeon 5130 2GHz, 4GB RAM, Intel Atom 330 1.6GHz, 4GB RAM, 12 x Seagate Barracuda ES 7200rpm 500GB, Nsort 4 x SuperTalent UltraDrive GX MLC 256GB Suzanne Rivoire (Stanford), Mehul A. Shah (HP Labs), Andreas Beckmann, Ulrich Meyer Partha Ranganathan (HP Labs), Christos Kozyrakis (Stanford) Goethe University Frankfurt am Main, Germany Peter Sanders, Johannes Singler Karlsruhe Institute of Technology, Germany 2011, 132 MJoules 2011, 103 MJoules **TritonSort TritonSort** 9,700 records sorted / joule 7,595 records sorted / joule Joule 52 nodes x 52 nodes x 10¹² recs (2 Quadcore processors, 24 GB memory, 16x500GB disks) (2 Quadcore processors, 24 GB memory, 16x500GB disks) (deprecated) Cisco Nexus 5096 switch Cisco Nexus 5096 switch Alex Rasmussen, Michael Conley, Alex Rasmussen, Michael Conley, George Porter, Amin Vahdat, George Porter, Amin Vahdat, University of California, San Diego University of California, San Diego 2011, 286 GB 2011, 334 GB psort psort 2.7 Ghz AMD Sempron, 4 GB RAM, 2.7 Ghz AMD Sempron, 4 GB RAM, 5x320 GB 7200 RPM Samsung SpinPoint F4 HD332GJ, Linux 5x320 GB 7200 RPM Samsung SpinPoint F4 HD332GJ, Linux Paolo Bertasi, Federica Bogo, Marco Bressan and Enoch Peserico Paolo Bertasi, Federica Bogo, Marco Bressan and Enoch Peserico Univ. Padova, Italy Univ. Padova, Italy 2009, 223 GB 2010, 252 GB OzSort 2.0 psort 2.6 Ghz AMD Athlon LE 1640, 4 GB RAM, 2.8 Ghz AMD Athlon II 240, 4GB RAM, 5x160 GB 7200 RPM SATA, Linux 6x160 GB 7200 RPM SATA-II, Linux Paolo Bertasi, Marco Bressan and Enoch Peserico Nikolas Askitis Univ. Padova, Italy Univ. Melbourne, Australia 2008, 181 GB 2009, 248 GB 1,812 M records in 2,408 seconds psort psort 2.6 Ghz AMD Athlon LE 1640, 4 GB RAM, 2.4 Ghz AMD Athlon 64, 2 GB RAM, 4x160GB SATA disks 5x160 GB 7200 RPM SATA, Linux Paolo Bertasi, Marco Bressan and Enoch Peserico Paolo Bertasi, Marco Bressan and Enoch Peserico Univ. Padova, Italy Univ. Padova, Italy 2009, 246 GB 2007, 39 GB **OzSort TokuMergeSort** 2.7 Ghz AMD Kuma X2 7750+, 4GB RAM, 330\$ system 5x160 GB 7200 RPM SATA, Linux 2 Ghz AMD Athlon 4200+, 512 MB RAM, Nikolas Askitis and Ranjan Sinha 2x80GB SATA disks Univ. Melbourne, Australia Bradley C. Kuszmaul, MIT 2008, 190 GB 2006, 34 GB psort Bytes-Split-Index Sort (BSIS) 2.4 Ghz AMD Athlon 64, 2 GB RAM, 4x160GB SATA disks, Linux \$760 system Paolo Bertasi, Marco Bressan and Enoch Peserico 1.8 GHz AMD, 1 GB RAM, 4x80GB SATA disks, WindowsXP Univ. Padova, Italy Penny Xing Huang and BinHeng Song (deprecated) School of Software, Tsinghua U., Beijing, China 2006, 59 GB **Bo Huang GpuTeraSort** Math & CS, Hunan U. of Technology, Zhuzhou, China 3 GHz Pentium IV, 2 GB RAM, 7800GT Nvidia graphics card, 9x80GB SATA disks (4 data and 5 runs) WindowsXP 2005, 15 GB Naga Govindaraju, Ritesh Kumar, **PostManSort** Dinesh Manocha, Jim Gray 979 sec on a \$951 Wintel 2 SATA U. North Carolina at Chapel Hill, USA **Robert Ramey** 2003, 43 GB 2004, 10 GB SheenkSort **THsort** Linux/AMD system (105 million records) Lei Yang, Hui Huang, 1098 seconds on a \$857 Linux/AMD Zheng Wan, Tao Song Peng Liu, Yao Shi, Li Zhang, Kuo Zhang, Tian Wang, Tsinghua University, Beijing, China ZunChong Tian, Hao Wang, Xiaoge Wang Tsinghua University, Beijing, China 2001, 12 GB **DMsort** 2000, 4.5 GB Araron Darling, Alex Mohr, **HMsort** U. Wisconsin, Madison Brad Helmkamp, Keith McCready Stenograph LLC 2000, 4.5 GB **HMsort** 1999, 2.6 GB Brad Helmkamp, Keith McCready **HMsort** Stenograph LLC

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	1998, 1.3 GB PostmanSort/NT	HMsort Brad Helmkamp, Keith McCready
	Robert Ramey Software	Stenograph LLC
		1998, 1.5 GB NT Sort Microsoft
	2008, 3.48 minutes	2007, 3.28 minutes
	Hadoop 910 nodes x (4 dual-core processors, 4 disks, 8 GB memory) Owen OMalley, Yahoo	TokuSampleSort tx2500 disk cluster 400 nodes x (2 processors, 6-disk RAID, 8 GB memory) Bradley C. Kuszmaul , MIT
	2007, 4.95 min TokuSampleSort tx2500 disk cluster	2005, 7.25 min SCS
	400 nodes x (2 processors, 6-disk RAID, 8 GB memory) Bradley C. Kuszmaul , MIT	Linux, 80 Itanium2, 2,520 SAN disks Jim Wyllie , IBM Almaden Research
	2004, 33 min Nsort	2000, 18 min SPsort
TeraByte	Windows, 32 Itanium2, 2,350 SAN disks Chris Nyberg, Charles Koester	1952 SP cluster 2168 disks Jim Wyllie , IBM Almaden Research
	Ordinal Technology 2000, 49 min	1998, 151 min Nsort
	Tandem FastSort 68x2 Compaq Tandem Sandia Daivd Cossock , Sam Fineberg, Pankaj Mehra , John Peck Tandem	SGI 32x Origin 2000 Chris Nyberg, Charles Koester Ordinal Technology
	1998, 151 min	
	Nsort SGI 32x Origin 2000 Chris Nyberg, Charles Koester Ordinal Technology	
		2001, .44 sec Datamation 2001: A Sorting Odyssey
		NOW-sort on 32 Linux PCs (2xP3(550 MHz), 1 GB, 5x9GB disks). Florentina Popovici, John Bent, Brian Forney, Andrea Arpaci Dusseau, Remzi Arpaci Dusseau
		2000, .998 sec Mitsubishi DIAPRISM Hardware Sorter
		HP 4 x 550MHz Xeon PC server + 32 SCSI disks, Windows NT4 Shinsuke Azuma, Takao Sakuma, Tetsuya Takeo, Takaaki Ando, Kenji Shirai Mitsubishi Electric Corp.
		1999, 1.18 sec
		Millennium Sort 16x2 Dell NT Myrinet Phillip Buonadonna, Spencer Low, Josh Coates UC Berkeley
		1997, 2.4 sec
Datamation (deprecated)		NowSort Arpaci-Dusseau UC Berkeley
		1996, 4.2 sec
		Nsort SGI Challenge Chris Nyberg, Charles Koester Ordinal Technology
		1994, 7 sec
		AlphaSort Nyberg, DEC
		1993, 9 sec AlphaSort Nyberg, DEC
		1988, 28 sec

		Cray1 Weinberger
	1987, 980 sec	
		Tandem Tsukerman

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