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Q2.3 (1)

Bubble sort: 3185us

recursiveMergesort: 462us

speedup=3185/462=6.8939

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knwong@workbench:~/as1/q3$ ./main 1 256
This is the BEGINNING of the program.
n: 1; max_num: 256.
Sort (((4^n)*max_num) = 1024 integers.
Start timing recursiveMergesort...
End timing.
The elapsed time (us) is 462
Start timing bubble_sort...
End timing.
The elapsed time (us) is 3185
The sort result by merge sort is corrent, verified by bubble sort.
This is the END of the program.
knwong@workbench:~/as1/q3$
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Q2.3 (2)

Bubble sort: 17207350us

recursiveMergesort: 3705us

speedup=17207350/3705=4644.3589

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knwong@workbench:~/as1/q3$ ./main 2 4096
This is the BEGINNING of the program.
n: 2; max_num: 4096.
Sort (((4^n)*max_num) = 65536 integers.
Start timing recursiveMergesort...
End timing.
The elapsed time (us) is 3705
Start timing bubble_sort...
End timing.
The elapsed time (us) is 17207350
The sort result by merge sort is corrent, verified by bubble sort.
This is the END of the program.
knwong@workbench:~/as1/q3$
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Q2.3 (3)

Bubble sort: 17397014us

recursiveMergesort: 4072us

speedup=17397014/4072=4272.3511

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knwong@workbench:~/as1/q3$ ./main 3 1024
This is the BEGINNING of the program.
n: 3; max_num: 1024.
Sort (((4^n)*max_num) = 65536 integers.
Start timing recursiveMergesort...
End timing.
The elapsed time (us) is 4072
Start timing bubble_sort...
End timing.
The elapsed time (us) is 17397014
The sort result by merge sort is corrent, verified by bubble sort.
This is the END of the program.
knwong@workbench:~/as1/q3$
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Q2.3 (4)

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knwong@workbench:~/as1/q3$ ./main 1 100
This is the BEGINNING of the program.
n: 1; max_num: 100.
Sort (((4^n)*max_num) = 400 integers.
Start timing recursiveMergesort...
End timing.
The elapsed time (us) is 479
Start timing bubble_sort...
End timing.
The elapsed time (us) is 520
The sort result by merge sort is corrent, verified by bubble sort.
This is the END of the program.
knwong@workbench:~/as1/q3$ ./main 1 96
This is the BEGINNING of the program.
n: 1; max_num: 96.
Sort (((4^n)*max_num) = 384 integers.
Start timing recursiveMergesort...
End timing.
The elapsed time (us) is 399
Start timing bubble_sort...
End timing.
The elapsed time (us) is 474
The sort result by merge sort is corrent, verified by bubble sort.
This is the END of the program.
knwong@workbench:~/as1/q3$ ./main 1 92
This is the BEGINNING of the program.
n: 1; max_num: 92.
Sort (((4^n)*max_num) = 368 integers.
Start timing recursiveMergesort...
End timing.
The elapsed time (us) is 426
Start timing bubble_sort...
End timing.
The elapsed time (us) is 538
The sort result by merge sort is corrent, verified by bubble sort.
This is the END of the program.
knwong@workbench:~/as1/q3$ ./main 1 88
This is the BEGINNING of the program.
n: 1; max_num: 88.
Sort (((4^n)*max_num) = 352 integers.
Start timing recursiveMergesort...
End timing.
The elapsed time (us) is 492
Start timing bubble_sort...
End timing.
The elapsed time (us) is 406
The sort result by merge sort is corrent, verified by bubble sort.
This is the END of the program.
knwong@workbench:~/as1/q3$
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(1) $\text{speedup} = 3185 / 462 = 6.8939$

(2) $\text{speedup} = 17207350 / 3705 = 4644.3589$

(3) $\text{speedup} = 17397014 / 4072 = 4272.3511$

When $n=1$, $\text{max_num}=92-100$, 4-way merge-sort and sequential bubble sort runs in similar time but 4-way merge-sort is slightly faster. When max_num is less than 92, bubble sort is faster. When the number is getting bigger, 4-way merge-sort outperforms bubble sort, as seen in (1)(2)(3).

Let the total number of integers be n . The time complexity of bubble sort is $\Theta(n^2)$, but the time complexity of 4-way merge-sort is $\Theta(n \log_4 n)$. The ratio of time complexity (which also represents the speedup) is $\Theta(n / \log_4 n)$. So when n is small, the speedup is small and sequential bubble sort outperforms 4-way merge-sort. However, when n gets bigger, after some n , the speedup is huge and 4-way merge-sort is faster than sequential bubble sort.