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Please list all sources: web pages, people, books or any printed material, which you used to prepare a report and implementation of algorithms for the project.

Type of sources:	
People	
Web Material (give URL)	
Printed Material	Data Structures & Algorithms 2nd edition Michael T. Goodrich
Other Sources	CSCE 221 Class slides by Dr. Leyk

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CSCE 221 Programming Assignment 2 (200 points)

*Programs due September 26th by 11:59pm
Reports due on the first lab of the week of 29th*

- **Objective**

In this assignment, you will implement five sorting algorithms: selection sort, insertion sort, bubble sort, shell sort and radix sort in C++. You will test your code using varied input cases, time the implementation of sorts, record number of comparisons performed in the sorts, and compare these computational results with the running time of implemented algorithms using Big-O asymptotic notation.

- **General Guidelines**

1. This project can be done in groups of at most three students. Please use the cover sheet at the previous page for your hardcopy report.
2. The supplementary program is packed in `221-A2-code.tar` which can be downloaded from the course website. You may untar the file using the following command on Unix or using 7-Zip software on Windows.

```
tar xfv 221-A2-code.tar
```

3. Make sure your code can be compiled using GNU C++ compiler before submission because your programs will be tested on a CSE Linux machine. Use Makefile provided with supplementary program by typing the following command on Linux

```
make clean  
make
```

4. When you run your program on the Linux server, use Ctrl+C to stop the program. Do NOT use Ctrl+Z, as it just suspends the program and does not kill it. We do not want to see the department server down because of this assignment.
5. Supplementary reading
 - (a) Lecture note: Introduction to Analysis of Algorithms
 - (b) Lecture note: Sorting in Linear Time
 - (c) Powerpoint slides: Tracing Sorting Algorithms
6. Submission guidelines
 - (a) Electronic copy of all the code, the 15 types of input integer sequences, and reports in Lyx and PDF format
 - (b) Hardcopy report, the code of 5 sort functions, and the code that generates integer sequences
7. Your program will be tested on TA's input files.

- **Code**

1. In this assignment, the sort program reads a sequence of integers either from the screen (standard input) or from a file, and outputs the sorted sequence to the screen (standard output) or to a file. The program can be configured to show total running time and/or total number of comparisons done in the sort.
2. This program does not have a menu but takes arguments from the command line. The code for interface is completed in the template programs, so you only have to know how to execute the program using the command line.

The program usage is as follows. *Note that options do not need to be specified in a fixed order.*

Usage:

```
./sort [-a ALGORITHM] [-f INPUTFILE] [-o OUTPUTFILE] [-h] [-d] [-p] [-t] [-c]
```

Example:

```
./sort -h
./sort -a S -f input.txt -o output.txt -d -t -c -p
./sort -a I -t -c
./sort
```

Options:

-a ALGORITHM: Use ALGORITHM to sort.

ALGORITHM is a single character representing an algorithm:

S for selection sort

B for bubble sort

I for insertion sort

H for shell sort

R for radix sort

-f INPUTFILE: Obtain integers from INPUTFILE instead of STDIN

-o OUTPUTFILE: Place output data into OUTPUTFILE instead of STDOUT

-h: Display this help and exit

-d: Display input: unsorted integer sequence

-p: Display output: sorted integer sequence

-t: Display running time of the chosen algorithm in milliseconds

-c: Display number of comparisons (excluding radix sort)

3. **Format of the input data.** The first line of the input contains a number n which is the number of integers to sort. Subsequent n numbers are written one per line which are the numbers to sort. Here is an example of input data:

```
5 // this is the number of lines below = number of integers to sort
7
-8
4
0
-2
```

4. **Format of the output data.** The sorted integers are printed one per line in increasing order. Here is the output corresponding to the above input:

```
-8
-2
0
4
7
```

5. (50 points) Your tasks include implementing the following five sorting algorithms in corresponding cpp files.

(a) selection sort in selection-sort.cpp

(b) insertion sort in insertion-sort.cpp

(c) bubble sort in bubble-sort.cpp

(d) shell sort in shell-sort.cpp

(e) radix sort in radix-sort.cpp

i. Implement the radix sort algorithm that can sort 0 to $(2^{16} - 1)$ but takes input -2^{15} to $(2^{15} - 1)$.

ii. About radix sort of negative numbers: "You can shift input to all positive numbers by adding a number which makes the smallest negative number zero. Apply radix sort and next make a reverse shift to get the initial input."

6. (20 points) Generate several sets of 10^2 , 10^3 , 10^4 , and 10^5 integers in three different orders.

- (a) random order
- (b) increasing order
- (c) decreasing order

HINT: The standard library `<cstdlib>` provides functions `srand()` and `rand()` to generate random numbers.

7. Measure the average number of comparisons (excluding radix sort) and average running times of each algorithms on the 15 integer sequences.

(a) (20 points) Insert additional code into each sort (excluding radix sort) to count the number of **comparisons performed on input integers**. The following tips should help you with determining how many comparisons are performed.

- i. You will measure 3 times for each algorithm on each sequence and take average
- ii. Insert the code that increases number of comparison `num_cmps++` typically in an `if` or a loop statement
- iii. Remember that C++ uses the shortcut rule for evaluating boolean expressions. A way to count comparisons accurately is to use comma expressions. For instance

```
while (i < n && (num_cmps++, a[i] < b))
```

HINT: If you modify `sort.cpp` and run several sorting algorithms subsequently, you have to call `resetNumCmps()` to reset number of comparisons between every two calls to `s->sort()`.

(b) Modify the code in `sort.cpp` so that it repeatedly measures the running time of `s->sort()`.

- i. You will measure roughly 10^7 times for each algorithm on each sequence and take the average. You have to run for the same number of rounds for each algorithm on each sequence, and make sure that each result is not 0.
- ii. When you measure the running time of sorting algorithms, please reuse the input array but fill with different numbers. Do not allocate a new array every time, that will dramatically slower the program.
- iii. To time a certain part of the program, you may use functions `clock()` defined in header file `<ctime>`, or `gettimeofday()` defined in `<sys/time.h>`. Here are the examples of how to use these functions. The timing part is also completed in the template programs. However, you will apply these function to future assignments.

The example using `clock()` in `<ctime>`:

```
#include <ctime>

...
clock_t t1, t2;
t1 = clock(); // start timing
...
/* operations you want to measure the running time */
...
t2 = clock(); // end of timing
double diff = (double)(t2 - t1)/CLOCKS_PER_SEC;
cout << "The timing is " << diff << " ms" << endl;
```

The example using `gettimeofday()` in `<sys/time.h>`:

```
#include <sys/time.h>

...
struct timeval start, end;
...
gettimeofday(&start,0); // start timing
...
/* operations you want to measure the running time*/
...
gettimeofday(&end,0); // end of timing
```

```
double diff = (end.tv_sec - start.tv_sec)
              + (double)(end.tv_usec - start.tv_usec)/1e6;
cout << "The timing is " << diff << " sec" << endl;
```

• Report (110 points)

Write a report that includes all following elements in your report.

1. (5 points) A brief description of assignment purpose, assignment description, how to run your programs, what to input and output.
 - (a) In this assignment, we will implement five sorting algorithms: selection sort, insertion sort, bubble sort, shell sort and radix sort in C++. We also will test our code using varied input cases, time the implementation of sorts, record number of comparisons performed in the sorts, and compare these computational results with the running time of implemented algorithms using Big-O asymptotic notation. The purpose of this assignment is to compare running times of different sorting algorithms from different size of inputs, as well as from sequences with orders (increasing, decreasing, and random order), so that we can conclude the most efficient algorithms for different cases. We also will compare the experimental results with theoretical analysis from textbook. To run the program, use `./sort [-a ALGORITHM] [-f INPUTFILE] [-o OUTPUTFILE] [-h] [-d] [-p] [-t] [-c]`
2. (5 points) Explanation of splitting the program into classes and *a description of C++ object oriented features or generic programming used in this assignment.*
 - (a) To compare different sorting algorithms in this assignment, we used the divide and conquer approach in order to reduce a single large problem into multiple simple independent subproblems. We created classes for different sorting algorithms, then defined each class within individual cpp files according to how each sorting algorithm works. That way, every time we needed to change some part of one class, we only needed to compile that specific file instead of compiling all the files. Object oriented programming is a programming style that is associated with the concept of objects, having datafields and related member functions. Basics of object oriented programming include Abstraction, Encapsulation, PolyMorphism, and Inheritance. In this assignment, classes we created provide methods to the outside world, but the variables are hidden. Inheritance principle is to reuse the code again and again.
3. (5 points) **Algorithms.** Briefly describe the features of each of the five sorting algorithms.
 - (a) Selection Sort Algorithms:

Suppose we compare n elements. Set k=1, select an index of the smallest object in the sequence of elements in positions from k to n. Exchange the smallest object with the object in the k-th position, increase k by one, finally, repeat the operations until k=n. This algorithm always performs same amount of iterations regardless of the order of the elements in the sequence.
 - (b) Insertion Sort Algorithm:

In this algorithm, we want to insert the k-th element in a proper place in order to preserve the order. The number of comparisons and swaps depends on initial order of the elements. Best case is sequence is already sorted, and worst case is when the sequence is in the reverse order.
 - (c) Bubble Sort Algorithm:

Similar to selection sort. Best case occurs when the sequence is already sorted, causing bubble sort to need one iteration. the worst case occurs when the sequence is sorted in reverse order, causing bubble sort to need all n-1 iterations.
 - (d) Shell Sort Algorithm:

In this algorithm, we divide the sequence into several segments and sort each segment using insertion sort, then divide the sequence again then sort each segment and so on. The idea of this algorithm is based on sorting of subsequences instead of sorting the whole sequence.
 - (e) Radix Sort Algorithm:

Radix sort can be used for sorting integers or strings. It sorts on the least significant digit first, if an input sequence consist of (at most) d-digit numbers, then radix sort needs d passes to sort these numbers. We used array with size of 19 (-9,-8,...,0,...,8,9) to represent each digit.

4. (20 points) **Theoretical Analysis.** Theoretically analyze the time complexity of the sorting algorithms with input integers in decreasing, random and increasing orders and fill the second table. Fill in the first table with the time complexity of the sorting algorithms when inputting the best case, average case and worst case. Some of the input orders are exactly the best case, average case and worst case of the sorting algorithms. State what input orders correspond to which cases. You should use big-O asymptotic notation when writing the time complexity (running time).

	Complexity	best	average	worst
	Selection Sort	$O(n)$	$O(n^2)$	$O(n^2)$
	Insertion Sort	$O(n)$	$O(n^2)$	$O(n^2)$
	Bubble Sort	$O(n)$	$O(n^2)$	$O(n^2)$
	Shell Sort	varies with gap	varies with gap	$O(n^2)$
	Radix Sort	$O(n)$	$O(n)$	$O(dn)$

	Complexity	inc	ran	dec
	Selection Sort	$O(n)$	$O(n^2)$	$O(n^2)$
	Insertion Sort	$O(n)$	$O(n^2)$	$O(n^2)$
	Bubble Sort	$O(n)$	$O(n^2)$	$O(n^2)$
	Shell Sort	$O(n)$	$O(n^2)$	$O(n^2)$
	Radix Sort	$O(n)$	$O(n)$	$O(dn)$

inc: increasing order; dec: decreasing order; ran: random order * d represents digit.

5. (65 points) **Experiments.**

- (a) Briefly describe the experiments. Present the experimental running times (**RT**) and number of comparisons (**#COMP**) performed on input data using the following tables.

RT(ms)	Selection Sort			Insertion Sort			Bubble Sort		
n	inc	ran	dec	inc	ran	dec	inc	ran	dec
100	0.188	0.187	0.188	0.006	0.006	0.006	0.004	0.004	0.004
10^3	15.831	16.637	16.758	0.057	0.057	0.059	0.042	0.045	0.045
10^4	1722	1636	1678	0.566	0.66	0.764	0.414	0.689	0.758
10^5	190940	187210	202470	5.789	16.029	26.37	4.17	32.759	39.006

RT	Shell Sort			Radix Sort		
n	inc	ran	dec	inc	ran	dec
100	0.029	0.027	0.026	0.398	0.398	0.398
10^3	0.446	0.449	0.446	3.926	3.915	3.922
10^4	6.693	6.739	6.783	39.499	39.249	39.275
10^5	89.3	90.7	89.6	392.9	393.8	392.6

#COMP	Selection Sort			Insertion Sort		
n	inc	ran	dec	inc	ran	dec
100	4950	4950	4950	99	2920	4950
10^3	499500	499500	499500	999	248896	499500
10^4	49995000	49995000	49995000	9999	24863101	49994971
10^5	704982704	704982704	704982704	99999	2497399175	704955288

#COMP	Bubble Sort			Shell Sort		
n	inc	ran	dec	inc	ran	dec
100	99	4950	4950	503	914	668
10^3	999	499224	499500	8006	14920	11710
10^4	9999	49994979	49995000	120005	278621	172279
10^5	99999	704755229	704982703	1500006	4360823	2203411

inc: increasing order; dec: decreasing order; ran: random order

When n is small, for example, when $n=100$, the running time was 0ms. In order to measure it precisely, the sort function was being called for multiple times (such as $10^7, 10^6$, depending on single call running time), then the running time = total time/# of calls.

- (b) For each of the five sort algorithms, graph the running times over the three input cases (inc, ran, dec) versus the input sizes (n); and for each of the first four algorithms graph the numbers of comparisons versus the input sizes, totaling in 9 graphs.

HINT: To get a better view of the plots, use *logarithmic scales* for both x and y axes.

Graphs are at the end of the report.

- (c) To compare performance of the sorting algorithms you need to have another 3 graphs to plot the results of all sorts for the running times for *each* of the input cases (inc, ran, dec) separately.

HINT: To get a better view of the plots, use *logarithmic scales* for both x and y axes.
Graphs are at the end of the report.

6. (5 points) **Discussion.** Comment on how the experimental results relate to the theoretical analysis and explain any discrepancies you note. Do your computational results match the theoretical analysis you learned from class or textbook? Justify your answer. Also compare radix sort's running time with the running time of four comparison-based algorithms.

According to the data we obtained from the programs, our result matches the theoretical analysis from the textbook. For selection sort, bubble sort, and insertion sort, we got $O(n^2)$ running time for the worst case (reversed order), which matches the data from lecture. For shell sort algorithm, it was a little hard to verify the data since the running time depends on the gap. According to the experimental data (Figure 9, 10, 11), the running time of Radix sort is higher than other sorts when the input size is small, however, with the increase of input size, its running time becomes linear, while the running time of other sort alg. increases quadratically. When the input size becomes large, Radix sort running time is smaller than comparison-based algorithms.

7. (5 points) **Conclusions.** Give your observations and conclusion. For instance, which sorting algorithm seems to perform better on which case? Do the experimental results agree with the theoretical analysis you learned from class or textbook? What factors can affect your experimental results?

According to our experimental data, when input size is small, Bubble sort algorithm is the fastest one. When the input size becomes bigger, Radix sort has more advantage since its running time is growing linearly. This proves the Lower Bound Theory, which states that the best worst case for comparison-based sorting algorithms is greater than or equal to $O(n \log n)$, and Radix sort is a non-comparison sort. For the case where the data is already sorted, bubble sort has the smallest runtime. Selection sort performs the same amount of iterations regardless of the order of the elements, and its runtime is always $O(n^2)$. Insertion sort is the fastest when data is already sorted and it performs $n-1$ comparisons. The worst case for insertion sort is when data is in reversed order, with $O(n^2)$ comparisons. The best case of bubble sort is when the data is already sorted and it performs 1 iteration with $n-1$ comparisons. And again, the worst case occurs when data is in reversed order. Overall, the experimental data we obtained agrees with the theoretical analysis we learned from class and textbook.



Figure 1: Insertion Sort



Figure 2: Shell Sort

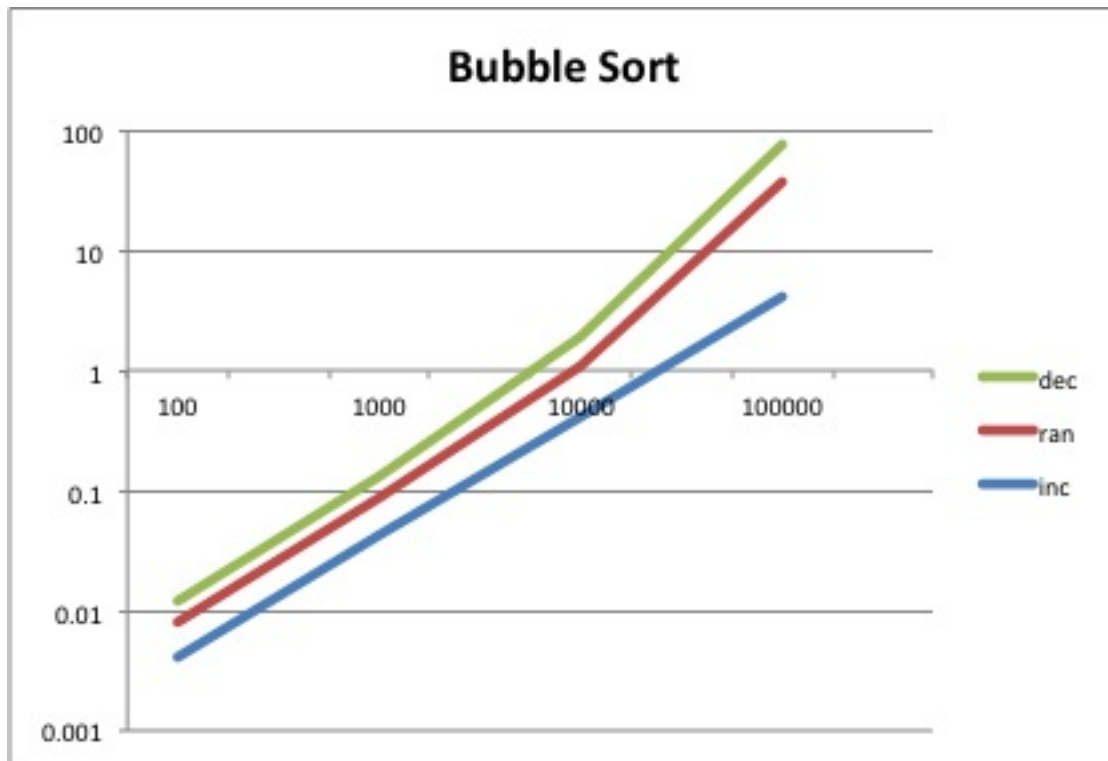


Figure 3: Bubble Sort

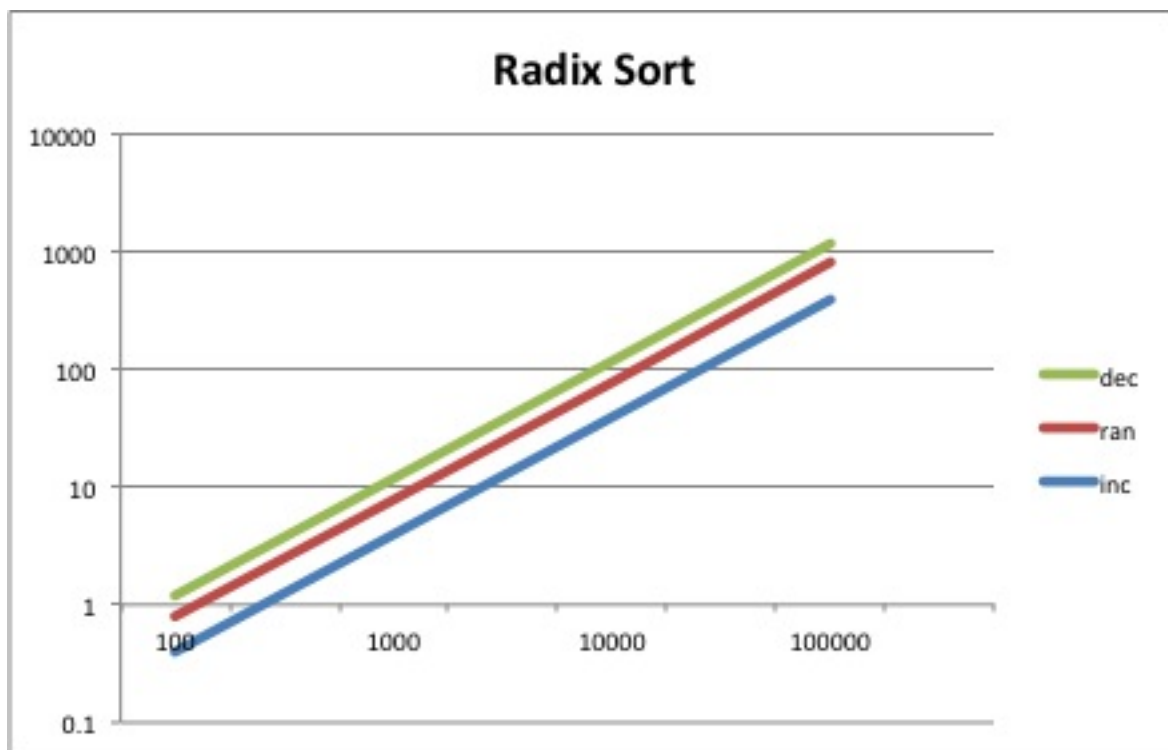


Figure 4: Radix Sort

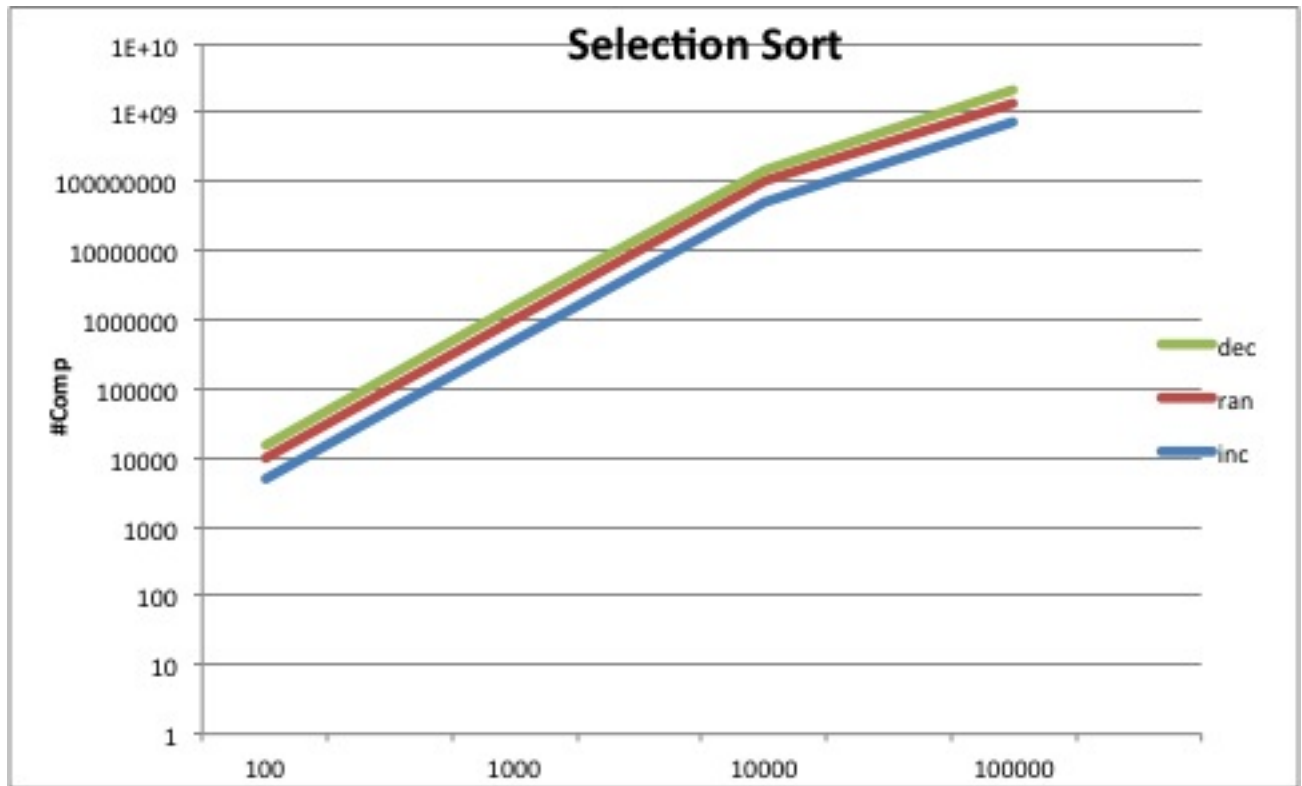


Figure 5: Selection Sort: #COMP vs. input size



Figure 6: Insertion Sort: #COMP vs. input size

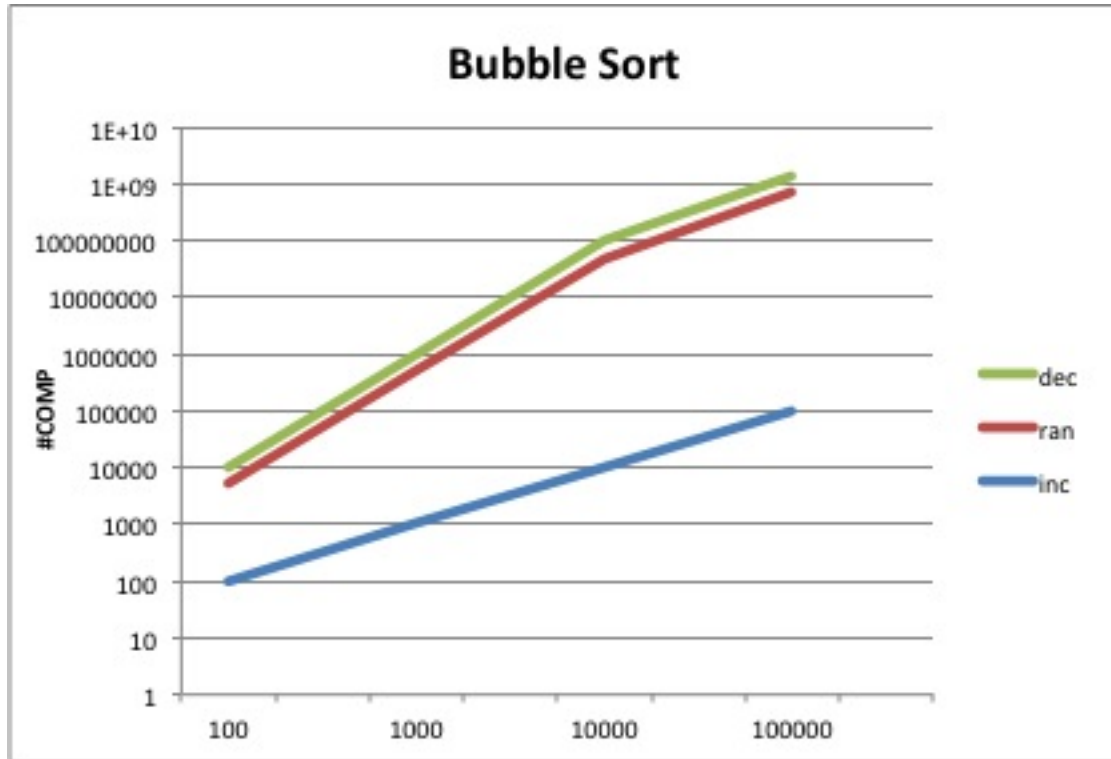


Figure 7: Bubble Sort: #COMP vs. input size

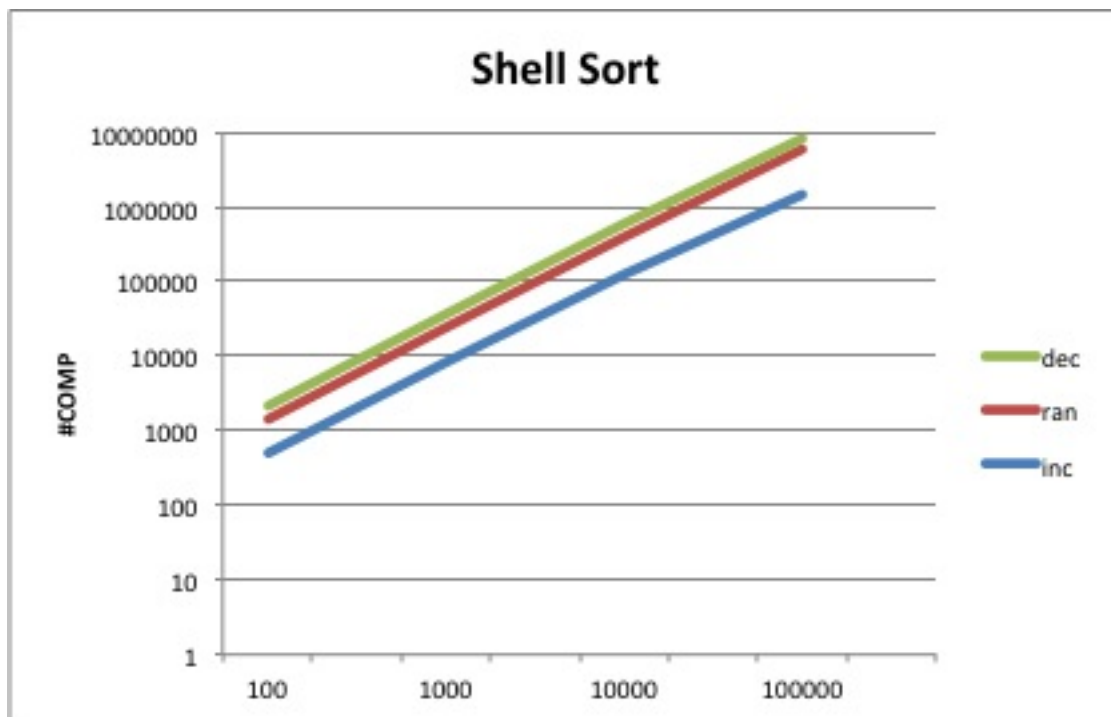


Figure 8: Shell Sort: #COMP vs.input size

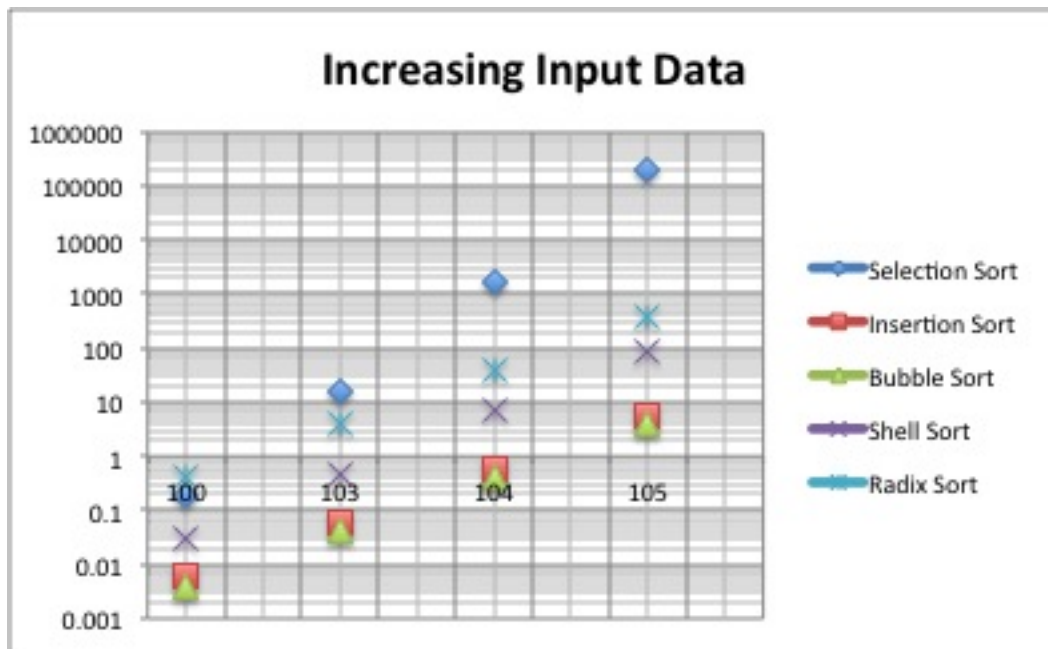


Figure 9: Increasing data

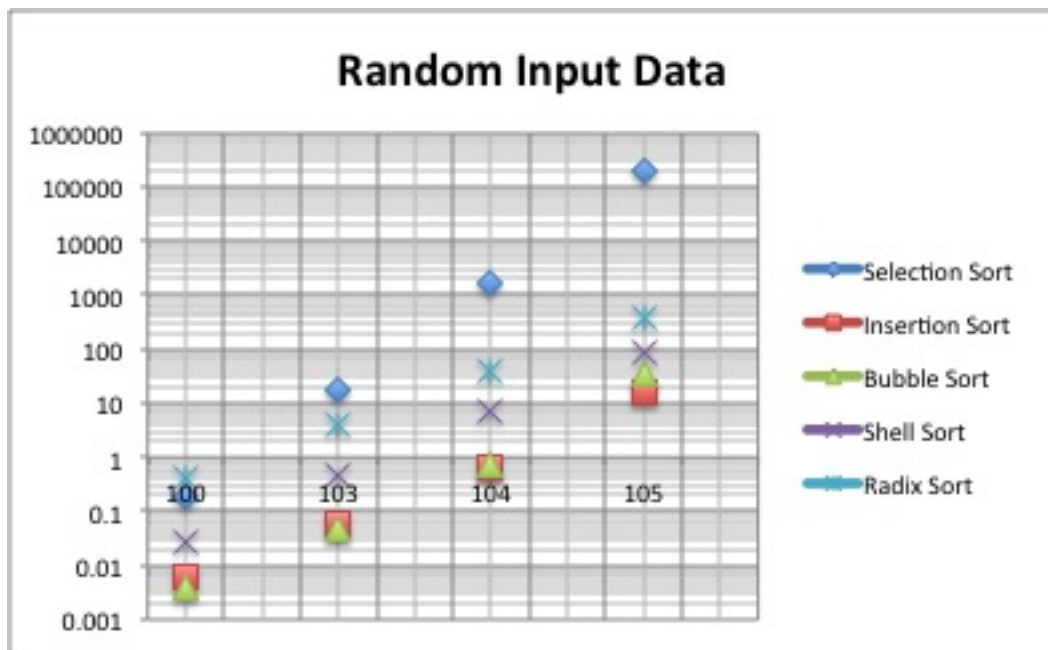


Figure 10: Random data

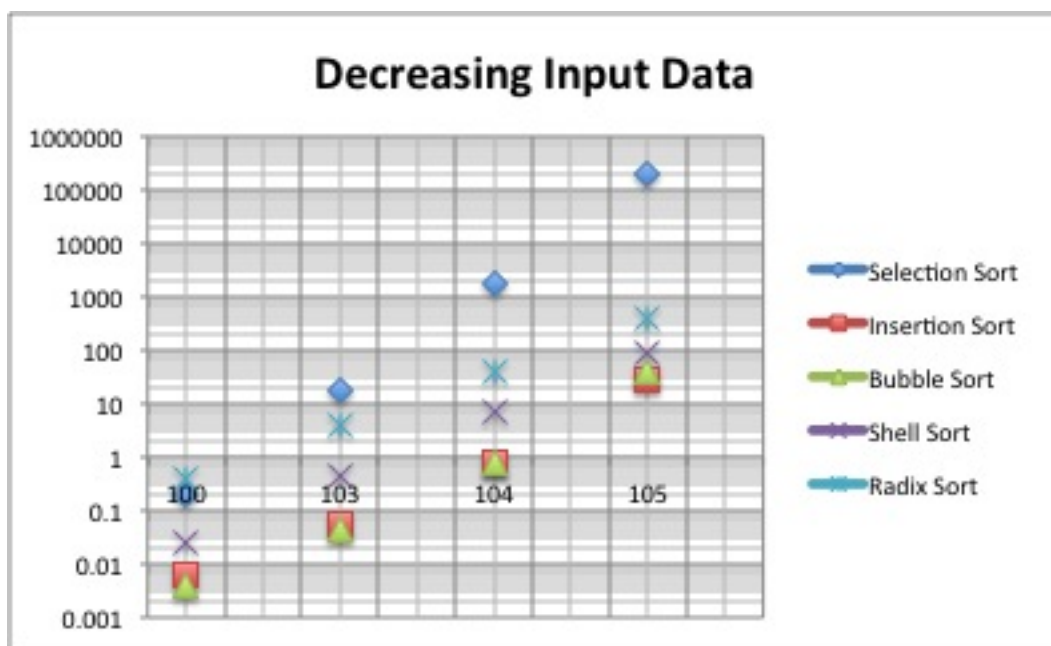


Figure 11: Decreasing data