## **Program Structure and Algorithms**

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### **Assignment 4**

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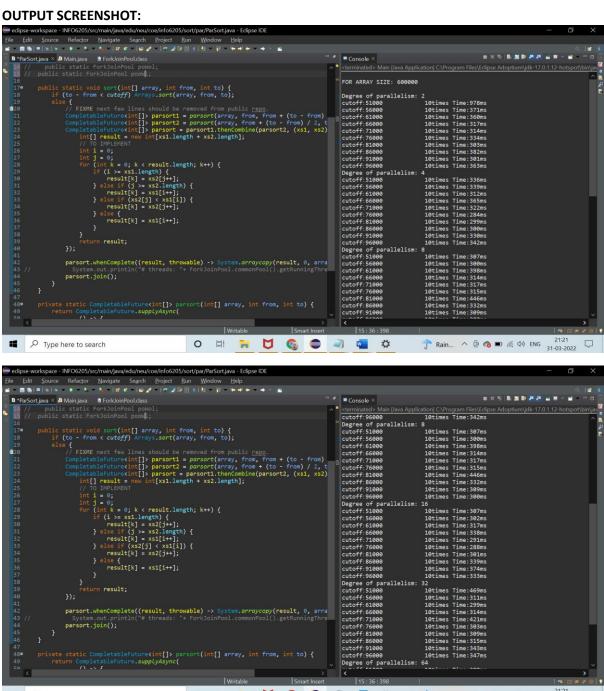
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**Task:** Your task is to implement a parallel sorting algorithm such that each partition of the array is sorted in parallel. You will consider two different schemes for deciding whether to sort in parallel.

- 1. 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).
- 3. An appropriate combination of these.

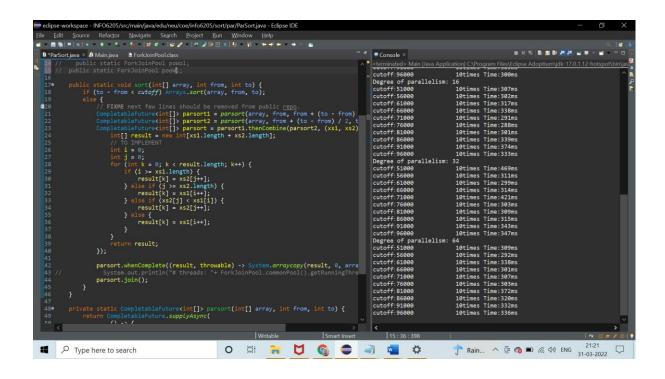
There is a *Main* class and the *ParSort* class in the *sort.par* package of the INFO6205 repository. The *Main* class can be used as is but the *ParSort* class needs to be implemented where you see "TODO..." [it turns out that these TODOs are already implemented]. Unless you have a good reason not to, you should just go along with the Java8-style future implementations provided for you in the class repository.

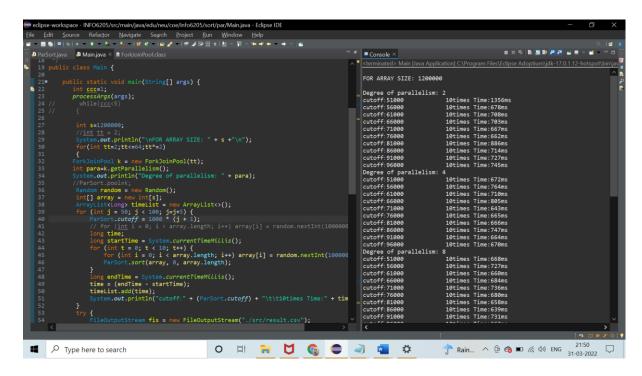
You must prepare a report that shows the results of your experiments and draws a conclusion (or more) about the efficacy of this method of parallelizing sort. Your experiments should involve sorting arrays of sufficient size for the parallel sort to make a difference. You should run with many different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

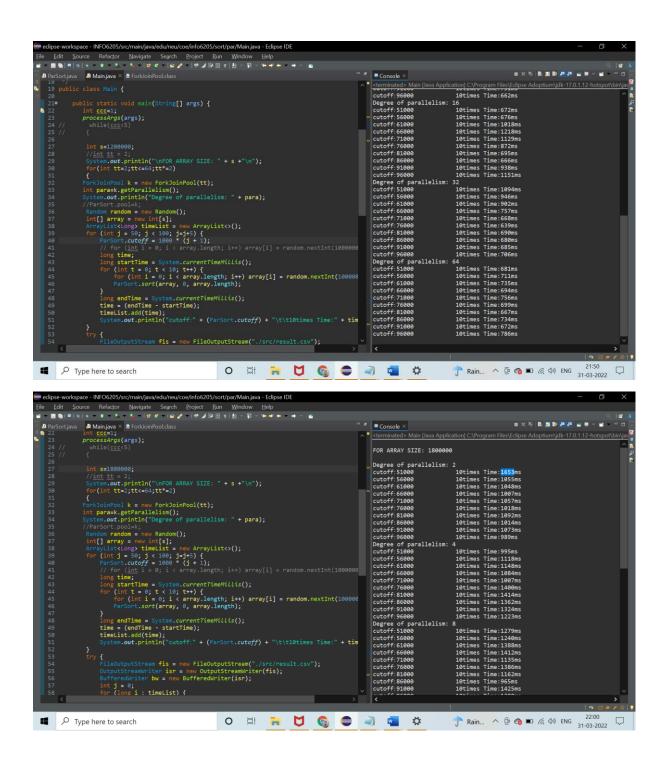


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### **Console Output:**

FOR ARRAY SIZE: 600000

Degree of parallelism: 2	
cutoff: 51000	10times Time:978ms
cutoff: 56000	10times Time:371ms
cutoff: 61000	10times Time:360ms
cutoff: 66000	10times Time:317ms
cutoff: 71000	10times Time:314ms
cutoff: 76000	10times Time:334ms
cutoff: 81000	10times Time:303ms
cutoff: 86000	10times Time:382ms
cutoff: 91000	10times Time:301ms
cutoff: 96000	10times Time:363ms
Degree of parallelism: 4	
cutoff : 51000	10times Time:336ms
cutoff : 56000	10times Time:339ms
cutoff: 61000	10times Time:312ms
cutoff: 66000	10times Time:365ms
cutoff: 71000	10times Time:322ms
cutoff: 76000	10times Time:284ms
cutoff: 81000	10times Time:299ms
cutoff: 86000	10times Time:300ms
cutoff: 91000	10times Time:330ms
cutoff: 96000	10times Time:342ms
Degree of parallelism: 8	
cutoff: 51000	10times Time:307ms
cutoff : 56000	10times Time:300ms
cutoff: 61000	10times Time:398ms
cutoff: 66000	10times Time:314ms
cutoff: 71000	10times Time:317ms
cutoff: 76000	10times Time:315ms
cutoff: 81000	10times Time:446ms
cutoff: 86000	10times Time:332ms
cutoff: 91000	10times Time:309ms
cutoff: 96000	10times Time:300ms

Degree of parallelism: 16

cutoff: 51000 10times Time: 307ms cutoff: 56000 10times Time: 302 ms cutoff: 61000 10times Time: 317ms cutoff: 66000 10times Time: 338ms cutoff: 71000 10times Time: 291 ms cutoff: 76000 10times Time: 288ms cutoff: 81000 10times Time: 301ms cutoff: 86000 10times Time: 339ms cutoff: 91000 10times Time: 374ms cutoff: 96000 10times Time: 333ms

Degree of parallelism: 32

cutoff: 51000 10times Time:469ms cutoff: 56000 10times Time:311ms cutoff: 61000 10times Time:299ms cutoff: 66000 10times Time:314ms cutoff: 71000 10times Time:421ms cutoff: 76000 10times Time:303ms cutoff: 81000 10times Time:309ms cutoff: 86000 10times Time:315ms cutoff: 91000 10times Time:343ms cutoff: 96000 10times Time:347ms

Degree of parallelism: 64

cutoff: 51000 10times Time:309ms cutoff: 56000 10times Time:292ms cutoff: 61000 10times Time:338ms cutoff: 66000 10times Time:301ms cutoff: 71000 10times Time:307ms cutoff: 76000 10times Time:303ms cutoff: 81000 10times Time:372ms cutoff: 86000 10times Time:320ms cutoff: 91000 10times Time:332ms cutoff: 96000 10times Time:336ms

## FOR ARRAY SIZE: 1200000

Degree of parallelism: 2

cutoff: 51000 10times Time:1356ms cutoff: 56000 10times Time: 678ms cutoff: 61000 10times Time:708ms cutoff: 66000 10times Time: 703ms cutoff: 71000 10times Time:667ms cutoff: 76000 10times Time:662ms cutoff: 81000 10times Time:886ms cutoff: 86000 10times Time:714ms cutoff: 91000 10times Time:727ms cutoff: 96000 10times Time:745ms

Degree of parallelism: 4

cutoff: 51000 10times Time:672ms cutoff: 56000 10times Time:764ms cutoff: 61000 10times Time:710ms cutoff: 66000 10times Time:805ms cutoff: 71000 10times Time:643ms cutoff: 76000 10times Time:665ms cutoff: 81000 10times Time:666ms cutoff: 86000 10times Time:747ms cutoff: 91000 10times Time:664ms cutoff: 96000 10times Time:670ms

Degree of parallelism: 8

cutoff: 51000 10times Time:668ms cutoff: 56000 10times Time:727ms

cutoff: 61000	10times Time:660ms
cutoff: 66000	10times Time:684ms
cutoff: 71000	10times Time:736ms
cutoff: 76000	10times Time:680ms
cutoff: 81000	10times Time:658ms
cutoff: 86000	10times Time:639ms
cutoff: 91000	10times Time:731ms
cutoff: 96000	10times Time:662ms
Degree of parallelism: 16	
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Degree of parallelism: 32

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Degree of parallelism: 64

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### FOR ARRAY SIZE: 1800000

Degree of parallelism: 2

cutoff: 51000 10times Time:1653ms cutoff: 56000 10times Time:1055ms cutoff: 61000 10times Time:1048ms cutoff: 66000 10times Time:1007ms cutoff: 71000 10times Time:1057ms cutoff: 76000 10times Time:1018ms cutoff: 81000 10times Time: 1092 ms cutoff: 86000 10times Time: 1014ms cutoff: 91000 10times Time:1073ms cutoff: 96000 10times Time:989ms

Degree of parallelism: 4

 cutoff: 51000
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 cutoff: 56000
 10times Time:1118ms

 cutoff: 61000
 10times Time:1148ms

 cutoff: 66000
 10times Time:1084ms

 cutoff: 71000
 10times Time:1007ms

cutoff: 76000	10times Time:1400ms
cutoff: 81000	10times Time:1414ms
cutoff: 86000	10times Time:1362ms
cutoff: 91000	10times Time:1324ms
cutoff: 96000	10times Time:1223ms
Degree of parallelism: 8	
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cutoff: 56000	10times Time:1240ms
cutoff: 61000	10times Time:1388ms
cutoff: 66000	10times Time:1412ms
cutoff: 71000	10times Time:1135ms
cutoff: 76000	10times Time:1386ms
cutoff: 81000	10times Time:1162ms
cutoff: 86000	10times Time:965ms
cutoff: 91000	10times Time:1425ms
cutoff: 96000	10times Time:1200ms
Degree of parallelism: 16	
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cutoff : 66000	10times Time:1211ms
cutoff: 71000	10times Time:1025ms
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cutoff: 76000	10times Time:1417 ms
cutoff: 81000	10times Time:996ms
cutoff: 86000	10times Time:989ms
cutoff: 91000	10times Time:1175ms
cutoff : 96000	10times Time:1300ms

# **Relationship/Conclusion:**

It is quite evident from the above outputs that even with the different cutoff values, array sizes there is no rich difference in the time taken after 4 threads, it all comes out to be the same (approximately). That is there is significant increase (especially when the cutoff value is least) in performance when threads are increased from 2 to 4 but not much difference is there when it(threads) is increased subsequently.

Thus, better performance is achieved when cutoff values increases and threads are increased from 2 to 4. But as stated below performance is best in certain cutoff range.

As depicted in the graph, the optimal cutoff range for which the best performance is archived is when it is between 0.20 to 0.40 percentage of the array size.

The performance takes a hit when it is between .50 and 1.

- 1) Best performance is when threads are 4 (optimal choice)
- 2) Best performance is when cutoff range is .20 .40 % of the array size.
- 3) Thus, to have overall best performance in terms of threads and cutoff range I would say with 4 threads and cutoff of .30% of array size would give us the best performance.

**Evidence**: Below are the graphs to prove the relationship depicted above.

X axix: Cut off and Y-axis: Time(ms)

Three graphs for three different array sizes.

