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/ http://inferno.bell-labs.com/cm/cs/who/bwk/interps/pap.html

/ do one million increments on initial state 0
\t do[1000000;i+:1]

/ ackermann's
\t {${x;.z.s[x-1;${y;.z.s[x;y-1];1}];y+1}}[3;7]

/ array indexed forwards and backwards
\t x(x;reverse x:til 200000)

/ while(x>count string) join chop join ... on "abcdef"
f:{{500000>count x}{{(i - x),(1+i:floor .5*count x)#x:raze("123";x←
; "456";x;"789")}}/x}
\t do[10;f"abcdef"]

/ lookup hex strings in decimal strings
\t {sum("0123456789abcdef"16 vs'x)in string x}til 200000

'f 0:(30000?300)#\:"king "; /james

/ write read file
\t 'f 0:read0'f

/ (lines;words;chars) file
\t (count;sum sum each" "=;sum count each)@\:read0'f

/ write reverse read file
\t 'f 0:reverse read0'f

'f 0:100000#enlist"-123.456"; / some numbers

/ sum float-from-ascii file
\t sum"F"$read0'f

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/ approximate times on 100MHZ pentium (32MB)
t:( 2 10 .15 2.2 1 3.5 3.2 4 5.7 /q
.3 1 .8 5 25 80 50 125 15 /java
3 40 8 1 6 4 15 8 10. /perl
100 1000 100 20 12 80 15 70 50. ) /tcl

the 9 tests are loops, text-processing and text file io.

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even though q avoids all these
loops — rare, e.g. none in kdb+.
text — we prefer data. binary is better.
stdio — we prefer mmap to read/write.
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q is faster (sum of times)
q(32) perl(95) java(300) tcl(1400+)
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q is shorter (lines of code)
q(9) awk(66) perl(96) tcl(105) scheme(170) vb(200) java(350)
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