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Algorithm and Complexities Lab Report 02

on

**'Quick & Merge Sort - Time Complexities'** 

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## 1. Purpose

Implementation, testing and performance measurement of sorting algorithms.

#### 2. Tasks

Implementing the following sorting algorithms [Code in Python]:

- 2.1. Implementing the following sorting algorithms:
- 2.2. Also some test cases have been added to my program.

#### 2.2.1. Quick sort

```
def quick_sort(arr):
      pivot = arr[len(arr) // 2]
       right = [x for x in arr if x > pivot]
```

```
[10, 7, 8, 9, 1, 5], # Random list
[5, 4, 3, 2, 1], # Reversed list
[1, 2, 3, 4, 5], # Already sorted list
]

for i, arr in enumerate(test_cases):
    print(f"Test case {i + 1}: {arr}")
    sorted_arr = quick_sort(arr)
    print(f"Sorted: {sorted_arr}\n")

# Run the tests
run_tests()
```

```
(base) reewajkhanal.rk10@RK10 LAB02 % python task01.py
Test case 1: []
Sorted: []

Test case 2: [5]
Sorted: [5]

Test case 3: [3, 6, 8, 10, 1, 2, 1]
Sorted: [1, 1, 2, 3, 6, 8, 10]

Test case 4: [10, 7, 8, 9, 1, 5]
Sorted: [1, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10]

Test case 5: [5, 4, 3, 2, 1]
Sorted: [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]

Test case 6: [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
Sorted: [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
(base) reewajkhanal.rk10@RK10 LAB02 % []
```

Code: Inputs and Outputs with Test Cases

## 2.2.2. Merge sort

```
def merge_sort(arr):
  left = merge_sort(arr[:mid])
  right = merge_sort(arr[mid:])
  return merge(left, right)
def merge(left, right):
  while i < len(left) and j < len(right):</pre>
       if left[i] < right[j]:</pre>
          result.append(left[i])
          result.append(right[j])
```

```
result.extend(left[i:])
  result.extend(right[j:])
def run_tests():
      sorted_arr = merge_sort(arr)
      print(f"Sorted: {sorted_arr}\n")
run tests()
```

```
(base) reewajkhanal.rk10@RK10 LAB02 % python task02.py
Test case 1: []
Sorted: []

Test case 2: [5]
Sorted: [5]

Test case 3: [3, 6, 8, 10, 1, 2, 1]
Sorted: [1, 1, 2, 3, 6, 8, 10]

Test case 4: [10, 7, 8, 9, 1, 5]
Sorted: [1, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10]

Test case 5: [5, 4, 3, 2, 1]
Sorted: [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]

Test case 6: [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
Sorted: [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
```

Code: Inputs and Outputs with Test Cases

2.3. Generated some random inputs for my program and applied both quick sort and merge sort algorithms to sort the generated sequence of data. Recorded the execution times of both algorithms for best and worst cases on inputs of different sizes. Plotted an input-size vs execution-time graph.

```
import time
import random
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

# Quick Sort Implementation

def quick_sort(arr):
   if len(arr) <= 1:
      return arr

else:</pre>
```

```
pivot = arr[len(arr) // 2]
       left = [x for x in arr if x < pivot]</pre>
      middle = [x for x in arr if x == pivot]
       right = [x for x in arr if x > pivot]
      return quick_sort(left) + middle + quick_sort(right)
def merge_sort(arr):
  left = merge_sort(arr[:mid])
  right = merge_sort(arr[mid:])
  return merge(left, right)
def merge(left, right):
  while i < len(left) and j < len(right):</pre>
      if left[i] < right[j]:</pre>
          result.append(left[i])
```

```
i += 1
          result.append(right[j])
  result.extend(left[i:])
  result.extend(right[j:])
def generate_random_input(size):
def measure_execution_time(sort_function, arr):
def generate quick sort best case(size):
  return list(range(1, size+1))
```

```
def generate quick sort worst case(size):
  return list(range(size, 0, -1))
def plot best worst case():
  merge sort best case times = []
  merge sort worst case times = []
  for size in sizes:
      quick_sort_best_case_data = generate_quick_sort_best_case(size)
      quick_sort_best_case_time = measure_execution_time(quick_sort,
quick_sort_best_case_data)
      quick_sort_best_case_times.append(quick_sort_best_case_time)
      quick_sort_worst_case_data = generate_quick_sort_worst_case(size)
      quick_sort_worst_case_time = measure_execution_time(quick_sort,
quick_sort_worst_case_data)
      quick sort worst case times.append(quick sort worst case time)
```

```
merge_sort_best_case_data = quick_sort_best_case_data.copy() #
      merge_sort_best_case_time = measure_execution_time(merge_sort,
merge_sort_best_case_data)
      merge sort best case times.append(merge sort best case time)
      merge_sort_worst_case_data = quick_sort_worst_case_data.copy() #
      merge_sort_worst_case_time = measure_execution_time(merge_sort,
merge_sort_worst_case_data)
      merge_sort_worst_case_times.append(merge_sort_worst_case_time)
  plt.figure(figsize=(12, 6))
  plt.subplot(1, 2, 1)
  plt.plot(sizes, quick_sort_best_case_times, label='Best Case')
  plt.plot(sizes, quick sort worst case times, label='Worst Case')
  plt.xlabel('Input Size')
  plt.ylabel('Execution Time (s)')
  plt.title('Quick Sort: Best and Worst Case Execution Times')
  plt.legend()
```

```
plt.subplot(1, 2, 2)
  plt.plot(sizes, merge_sort_best_case_times, label='Best Case')
  plt.plot(sizes, merge_sort_worst_case_times, label='Worst Case')
  plt.xlabel('Input Size')
  plt.ylabel('Execution Time (s)')
  plt.title('Merge Sort: Best and Worst Case Execution Times')
  plt.legend()
  plt.tight_layout()
sizes = [1000, 2000, 3000, 4000, 5000]
quick_sort_times = []
merge_sort_times = []
for size in sizes:
 data = generate random input(size)
  quick_sort_time = measure_execution_time(quick_sort, data.copy())
  quick sort times.append(quick sort time)
```

```
merge_sort_time = measure_execution_time(merge_sort, data.copy())
  merge_sort_times.append(merge_sort_time)
plt.plot(sizes, quick_sort_times, label='Quick Sort')
plt.plot(sizes, merge_sort_times, label='Merge Sort')
plt.xlabel('Input Size')
plt.ylabel('Execution Time (s)')
plt.title('Input Size vs. Execution Time for Quick Sort and Merge Sort')
plt.legend()
plt.show()
plot_best_worst_case()
```

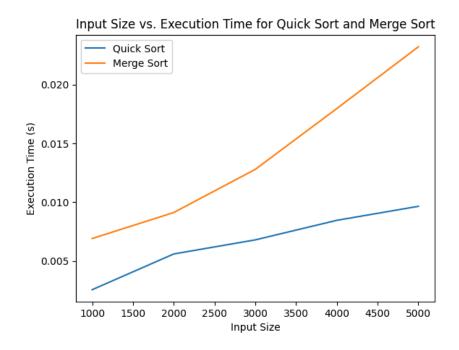


Fig: Input-size vs execution-time graph

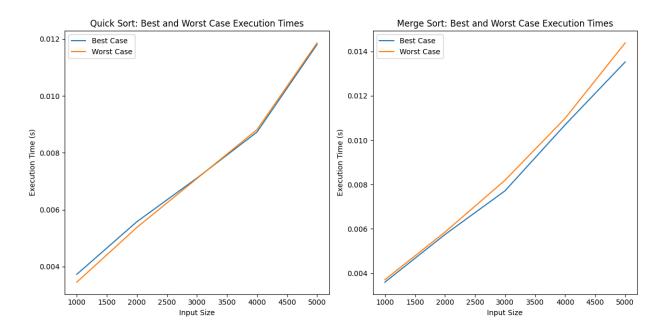


Fig: Best and Worst Case execution-time graph

2.4. Compare your results with those from Lab 1, and explain your observations.

```
import time
import random
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
def insertion_sort(arr):
      while j >= 0 and key < arr[j]:</pre>
          arr[j + 1] = arr[j]
```

```
def quick_sort(arr, low, high):
 if low < high:
      pi = partition(arr, low, high)
      quick_sort(arr, low, pi - 1)
      quick_sort(arr, pi + 1, high)
def partition(arr, low, high):
  pivot = arr[high]
  for j in range(low, high):
      if arr[j] < pivot:</pre>
          arr[i], arr[j] = arr[j], arr[i]
  arr[i + 1], arr[high] = arr[high], arr[i + 1]
def merge_sort(arr):
  left = merge sort(arr[:middle])
  right = merge_sort(arr[middle:])
```

```
return merge(left, right)
def merge(left, right):
  while i < len(left) and j < len(right):</pre>
      if left[i] < right[j]:</pre>
         result.append(left[i])
           result.append(right[j])
  result.extend(left[i:])
  result.extend(right[j:])
def generate random input(size):
def measure_execution_time(sort_function, arr, *args):
```

```
sort_function(arr, *args)
  end_time = time.time()
 return end_time - start_time
num_test_cases = 10
array_size = 100
insertion_times = []
selection_times = []
quick_times = []
merge\_times = []
for _ in range(num_test_cases):
 data = generate_random_input(array_size)
  insertion_data = data.copy()
```

```
insertion_time = measure_execution_time(insertion_sort,
insertion data)
  insertion_times.append(insertion_time)
  selection_data = data.copy()
  selection time = measure execution time(selection sort,
selection data)
  selection times.append(selection time)
  quick data = data.copy()
  quick time = measure execution time(quick sort, quick data, 0,
len(quick data) - 1)
  quick_times.append(quick_time)
  merge_data = data.copy()
  merge_time = measure_execution_time(merge_sort, merge_data)
  merge times.append(merge time)
plt.plot(range(1, num test cases + 1), insertion times, label='Insertion
Sort')
plt.plot(range(1, num_test_cases + 1), selection_times, label='Selection
Sort')
```

```
plt.plot(range(1, num_test_cases + 1), quick_times, label='Quick Sort')
plt.plot(range(1, num_test_cases + 1), merge_times, label='Merge Sort')
plt.xlabel('Test Case')
plt.ylabel('Execution Time (s)')
plt.xticks(range(1, num_test_cases + 1))
plt.title('Execution Time for Sorting Algorithms (Array Size: 100)')
plt.legend()
plt.show()
```

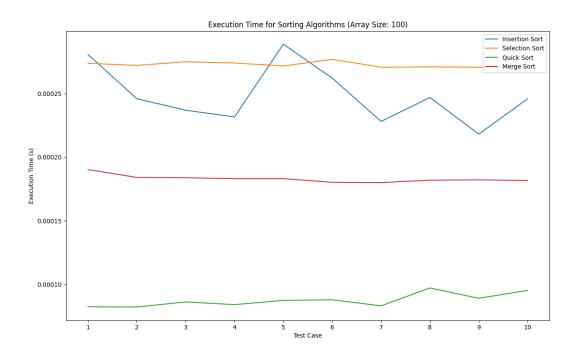


Fig: Result Comparisons of Execution Time for Sorting Algorithms from LAB01 and LAB02 (data set may vary from previous labs)

## 3. My observations.

The graph illustrates the time complexities of various sorting algorithms concerning array size. Insertion Sort and Selection Sort display  $O(n^2)$  worst-case time complexities, while Quick Sort also exhibits  $O(n^2)$  but generally outperforms the former due to its average-case efficiency. However, Merge Sort consistently boasts  $O(n \log n)$  complexity, making it the top performer among the algorithms considered. Thus, while Quick Sort is often favored, Merge Sort emerges as the optimal choice across all scenarios.