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Program Structures & Algorithms
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Assignment No. 5

- Task (List down the tasks performed in the Assignment)
 - Added code to enable control of parallelism -
Class UF_HWQUPC.java
setCustomParallelism() -

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15     private static ForkJoinPool pool = new ForkJoinPool();  
16  
17     public static void setCustomParallelism(int threadCount) { pool = new ForkJoinPool(threadCount); }  
18  
19     public static void sort(int[] array, int from, int to) {
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- Created a method “trials()” to perform the experiments and write results to a CSV file, and called the method it in main method-

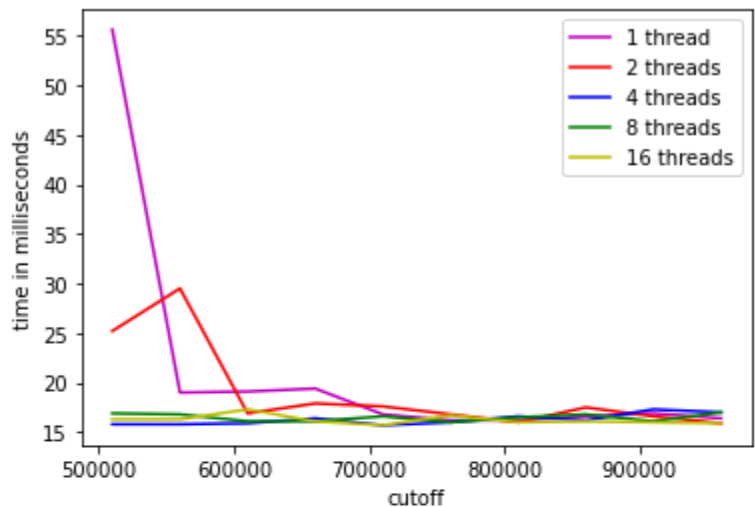
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17 public static void main(String[] args) {
18     trials();
19 }
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21 public static void trials() {
22     FileWriter writer = null;
23     try {
24         writer = new FileWriter(Paths.get( first: "assignment_reports",
25         ...more: "assignment5_Tanay_Saxena", "par_sort.csv").toString());
26         writer.write( str: "size,thread_count,cutoff,time\n");
27         Random random = new Random();
28         for (int pw = 18; pw <= 24; pw++) {
29             int size = 1<<pw;
30             int[] array = new int[size];
31             for (int p = 1; p <= 16; p *= 2) {
32                 ParSort.setCustomParallelism(p);
33                 for (int j = 50; j < 100; j += 5) {
34                     ParSort.cutoff = 10000 * (j + 1);
35                     double time;
36                     long startTime = System.currentTimeMillis();
37                     for (int t = 0; t < 10; t++) {
38                         for (int i = 0; i < array.length; i++) array[i] = random.nextInt( bound: 10000000);
39                         ParSort.sort(array, from: 0, array.length);
40                     }
41                     long endTime = System.currentTimeMillis();
42                     time = (double) (endTime - startTime) / 10;
43                     writer.write( str: size + "," + p + "," + ParSort.cutoff + "," + time + "\n");
44                     System.out.println("cutoff: " + ParSort.cutoff + "\t\tTime:" + time + "ms");
45                 }
46             }
47         }
48         writer.close();
49     }
50     catch (Exception e) {
51         e.printStackTrace();
52     }
53 }
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- Generated the output by executing the main method -

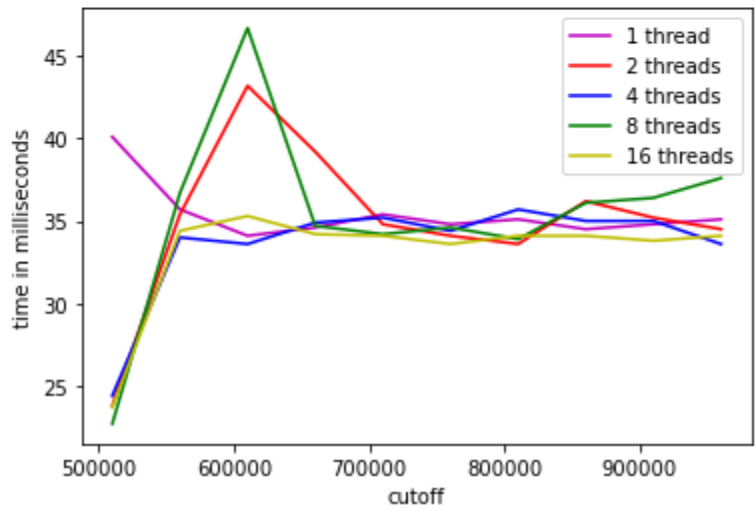
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and cutoff value chosen for the experiments have been represented by the y-axis and x-axis respectively.

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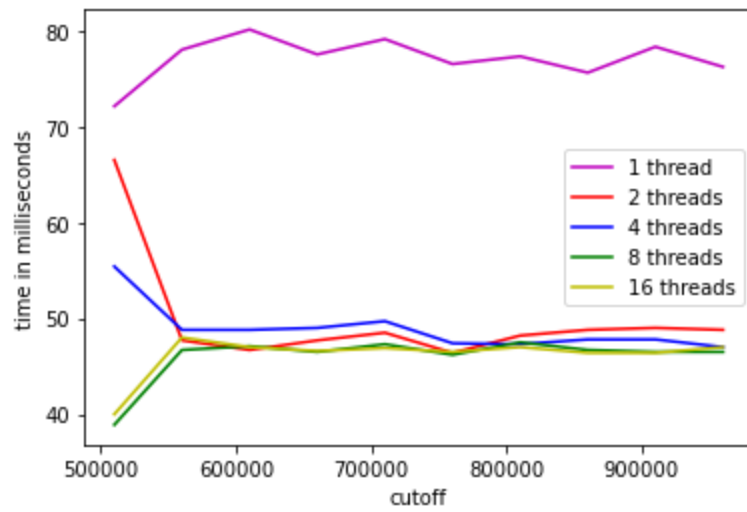


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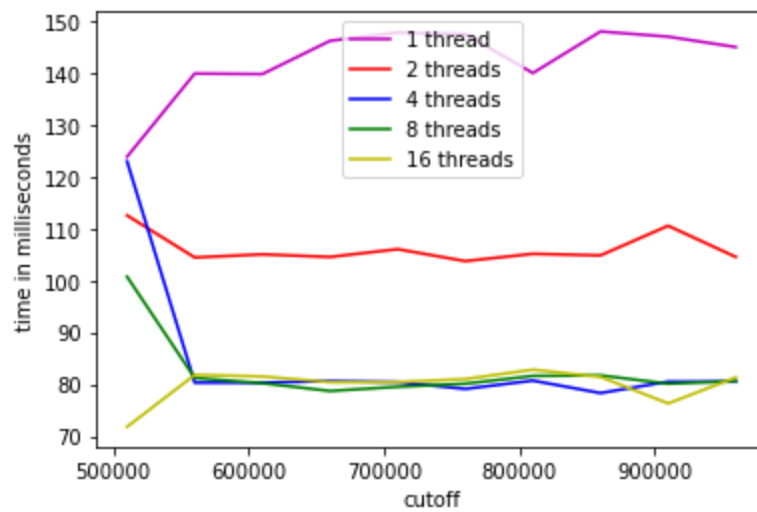


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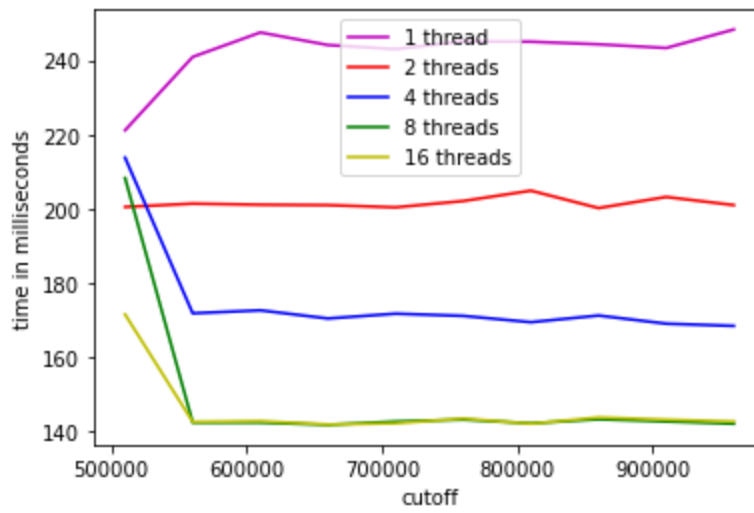


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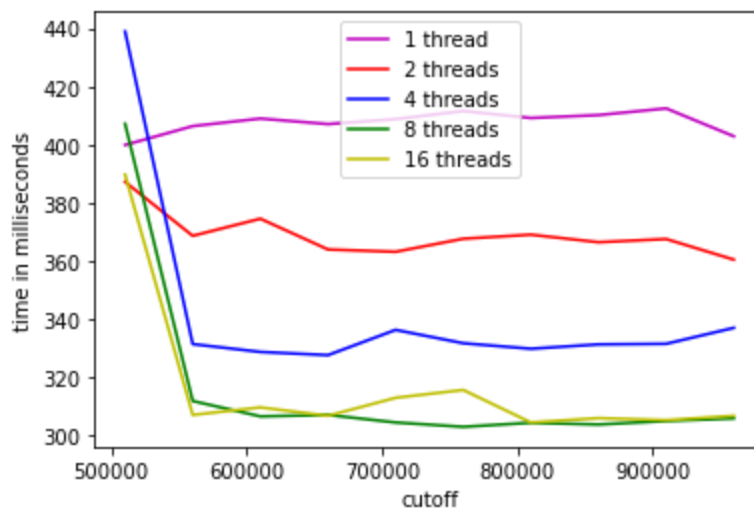


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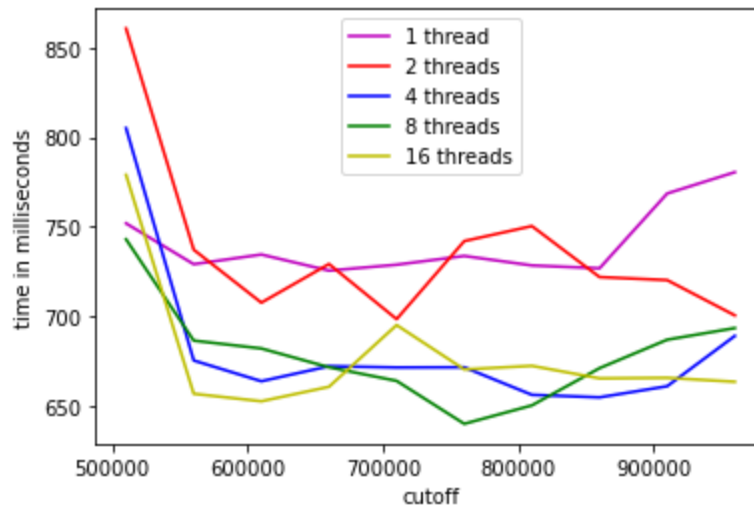
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- Conclusion:
 - The CPU used for this experiment has **4 cores running at 4.1 GHz, 8 system threads via intel's hyperthreading** (Intel core i5 8300h).
 - As we can see for smaller array sizes, and cutoff values > 600K, all the different thread count configurations work similarly.
 - Additionally, for all the input sizes, the single-threaded configuration performs worse (represented by magenta color) as compared to other configs. , for obvious reasons, it works close to the regular merge sort algorithm.
 - Also, note that as we increase the number of threads (8, 16) for the experiment, the performance gain diminishes, this could be caused by only 8 system threads available to the processor.
 - Hence, in this case, the optimal number should be 8 user threads, one for each system thread.
 - Also, for higher sizes of the input array, all the cutoff > 600K work almost the same across thread configurations
 - Hence, the optimal algorithm should use **threads equal to system thread count and cutoff should be in the range 600K-900K.**
- Evidence to support the conclusion:
 1. Output (Snapshot of Code output in the terminal)

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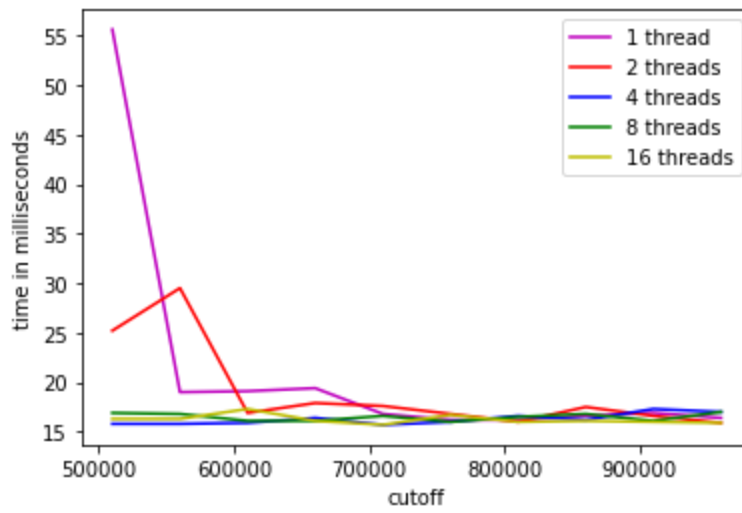
n: Main x
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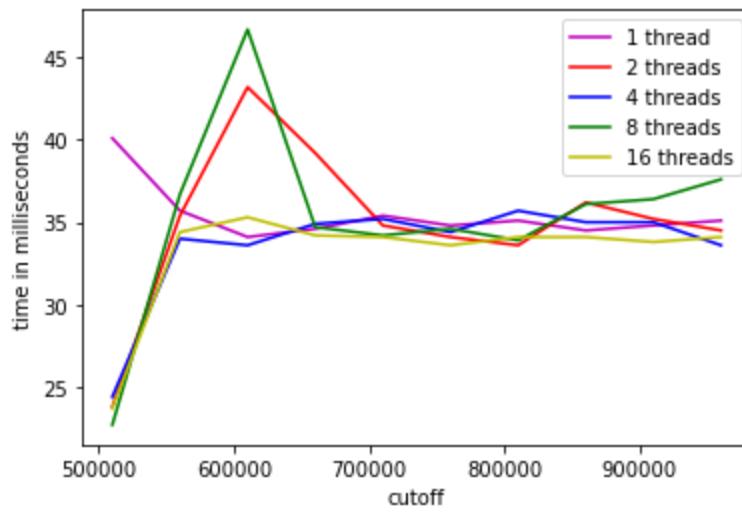
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2. Graphical Representation(Observations)

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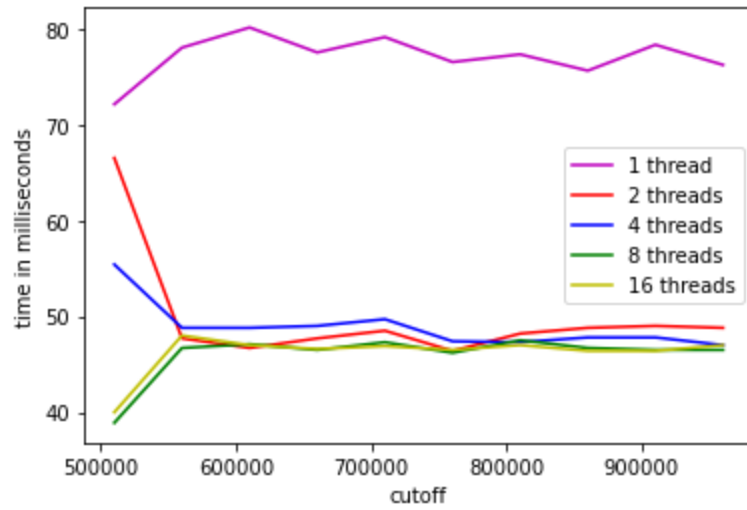


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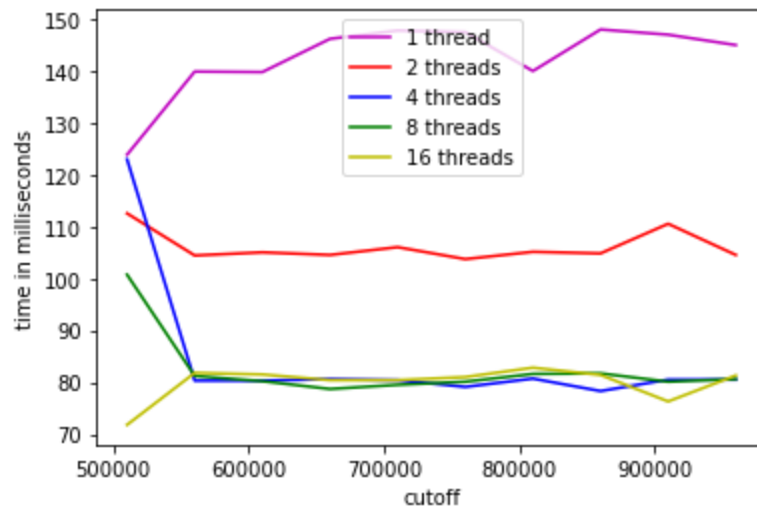


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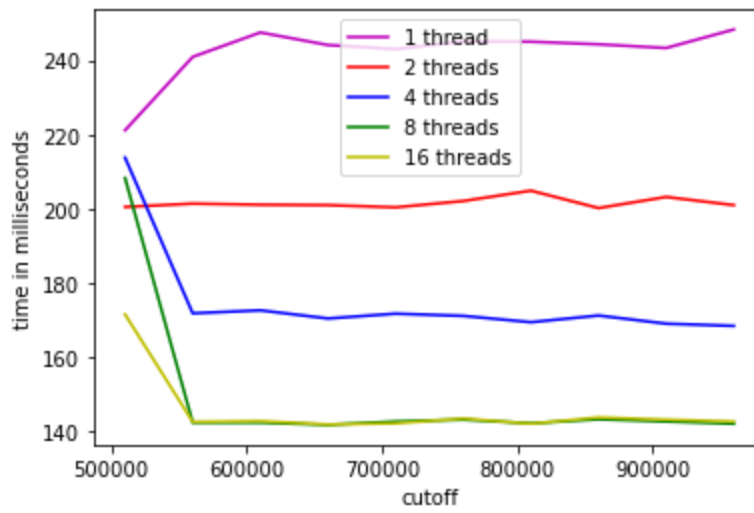


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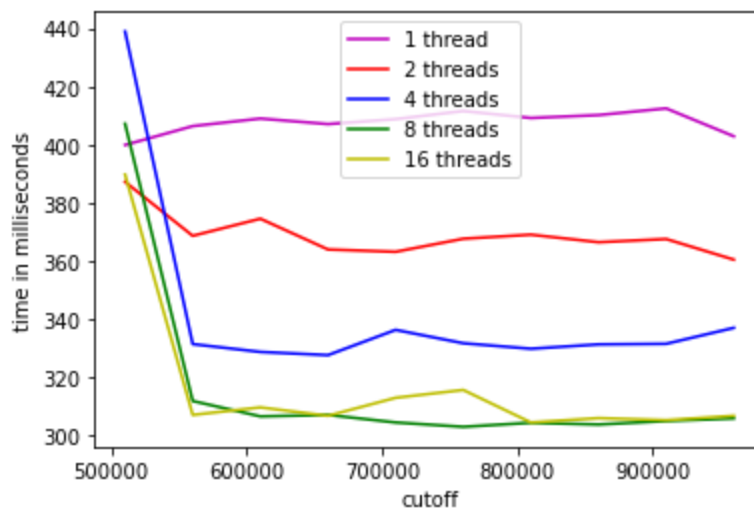


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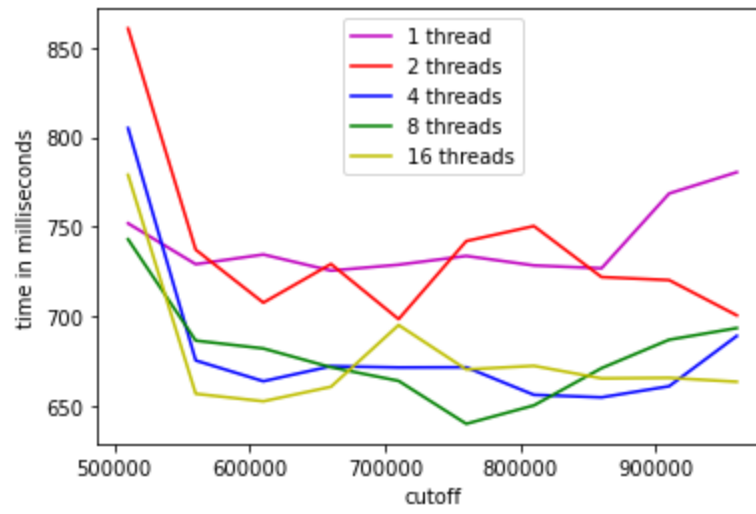


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