

# DEVELOPMENT OF AGGREGATION METHOD OF PARTIALLY ORDERED SETS

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# Real life application



pepe



pepa



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# real life application

best



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pepe



pepo

worst

# motivation

n	combinations
3	6
4	24
5	120
6	720
7	5040
8	40320
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10	3628800
11	39916800
12	479001600

Np-hard

# Basic concepts

# Partially ordered set or *poset*

Set  $p$  with a binary relation

Reflexivity

Antisymmetry

transitivity



# Partially ordered set or *poset*

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$$x \leq x$$

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$$x \leq y, y \leq x \Rightarrow x = y$$

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$$x \leq y, y \leq z \Rightarrow x \leq z$$

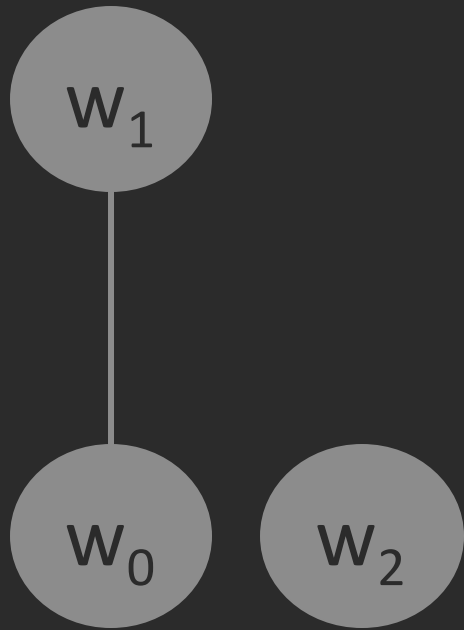
# Comparable objects

$$x \leq y$$

or

$$y \leq x$$

# *poset* representation



Hasse diagram

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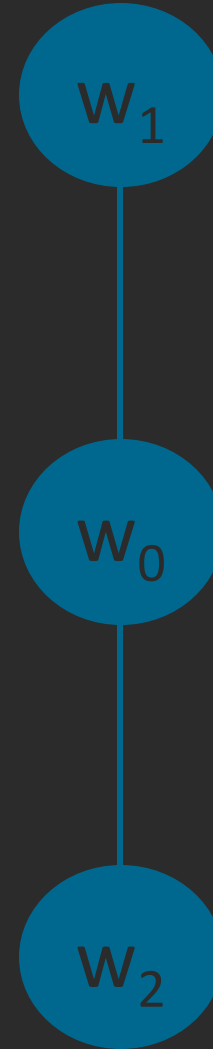
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matrix

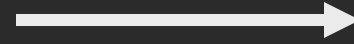
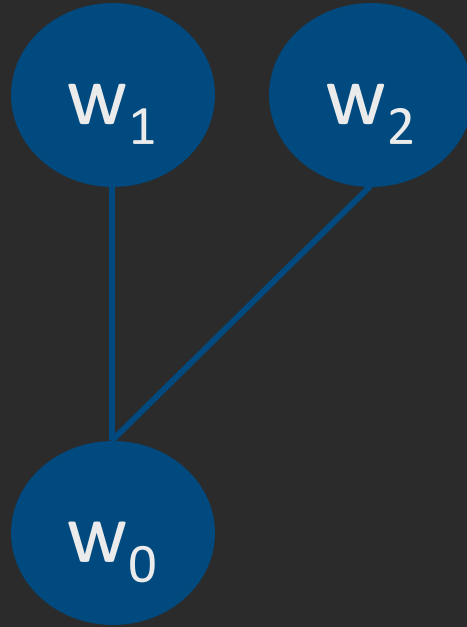
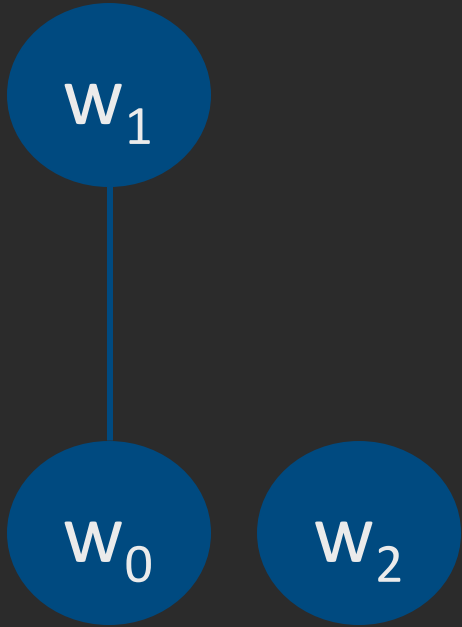
# Linear extension

Total order  
relationship

All elements are  
comparable to each  
other



# Aggregation of *posets*



# Aggregation matrix

$w_1$



$w_0$

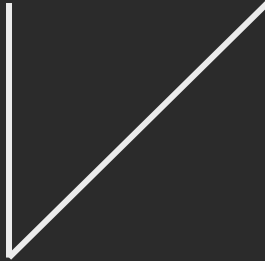
$w_2$

$w_1$

$w_2$



$w_0$





# Aggregation matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

# Aggregation matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

# Cost of an aggregation

Not optimal

Partial restrictions  
violated by the linear  
extension

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$w_0$   
|  
 $w_1$   
|  
 $w_2$

Cost =

# Cost of an aggregation

Not optimal

Partial restrictions  
violated by the linear  
extension

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$w_0$

$w_1$

$w_2$

Cost = 0

# Cost of an aggregation

Not optimal

Partial restrictions  
violated by the linear  
extension

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$w_0$

$w_1$

$w_2$

$$\text{Cost} = 0 + 1$$

# Cost of an aggregation

Not optimal

Partial restrictions  
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extension

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$w_0$

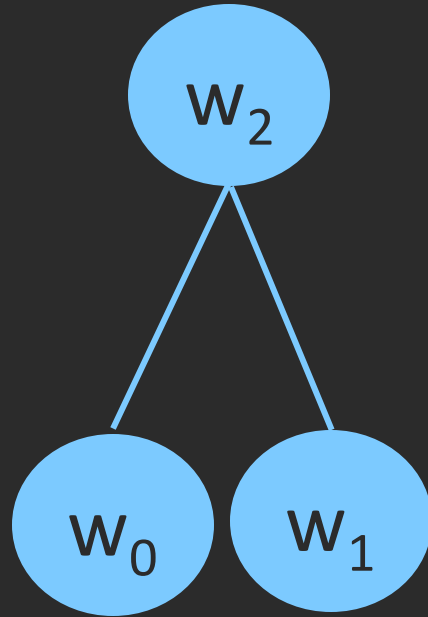
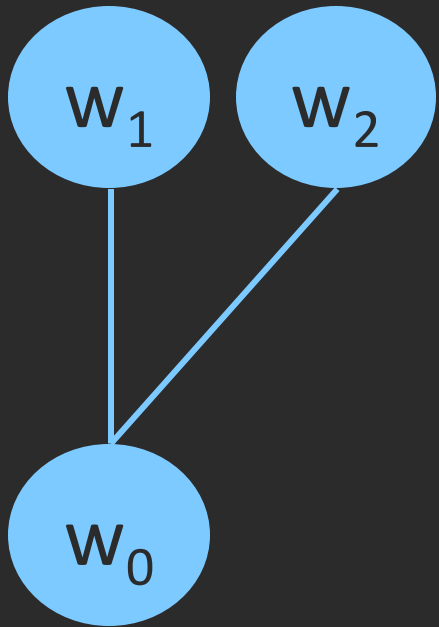
$w_1$

$w_2$

$$\text{Cost} = 0 + 1 + 2 = 3$$

algorithms

# example



$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$



# Mincost st

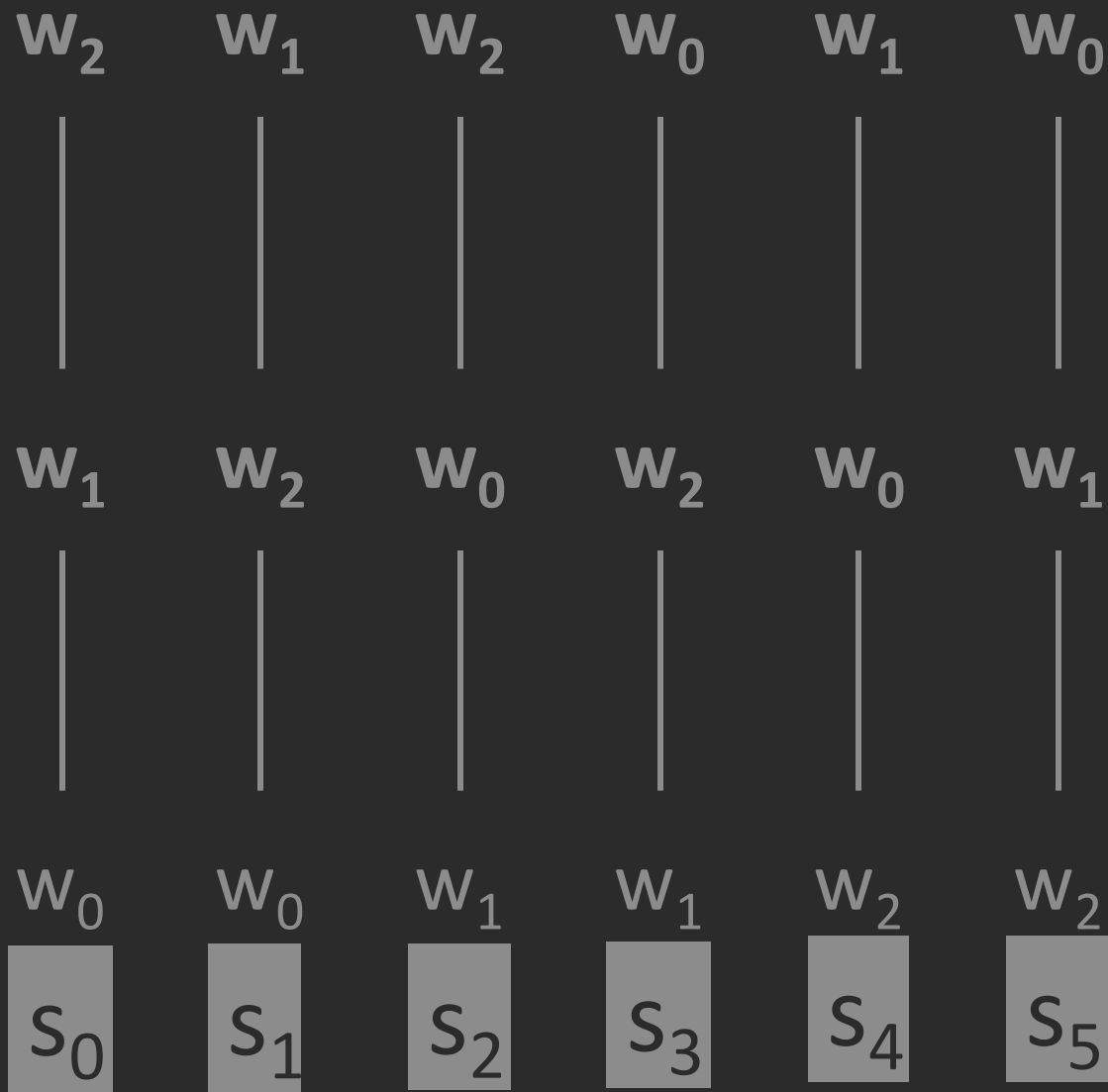
Computing all the  
possible linear  
extensions and

Optimal algorithm

Sequentially  
calculates the cost

High execution times

# Mincost st - example



Possible solution	Cost
$S_0$	3
$S_1$	3
$S_2$	4
$S_3$	3
$S_4$	4
$S_5$	4

# minimals<sup>4</sup>

What is a *minimal* element

An element  $a \in P$  is a *minimal* element if there is no  $b \in P$

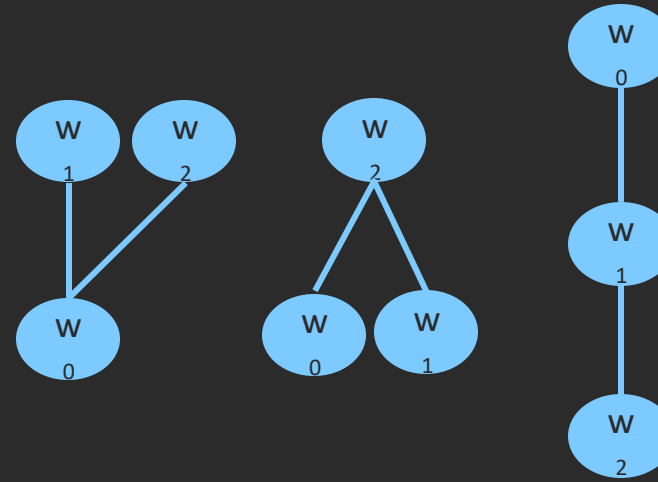
# Minimals - initialization

Vector up

Vector  
down

Bound  
constant

Used  
vector



$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

# Minimals - initialization

Vector up

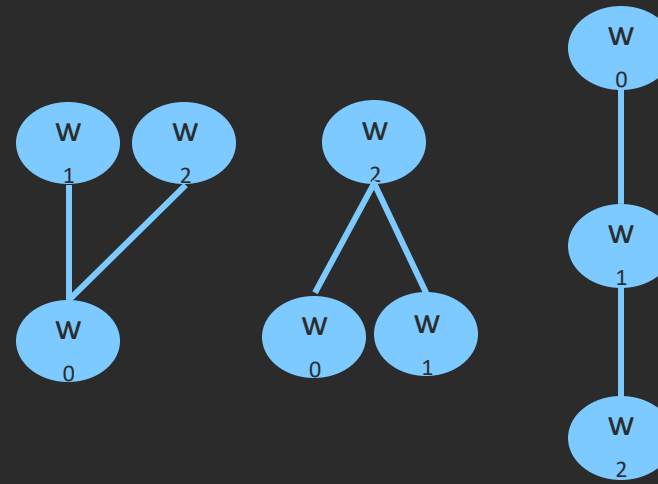
Vector down

Bound constant

Used vector



$$up[i] = \sum_j^n A[i, j] \quad up = [6, 5, 5]$$



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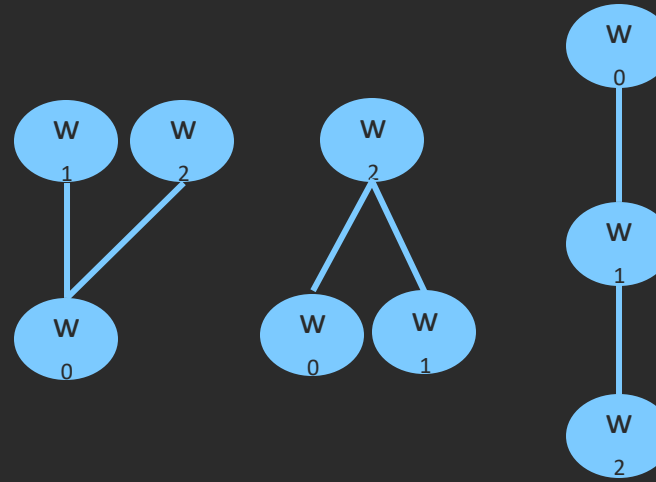
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$$\text{down}[i] = \sum_j^n A[j, i] \quad \text{down} = [5, 5, 6]$$



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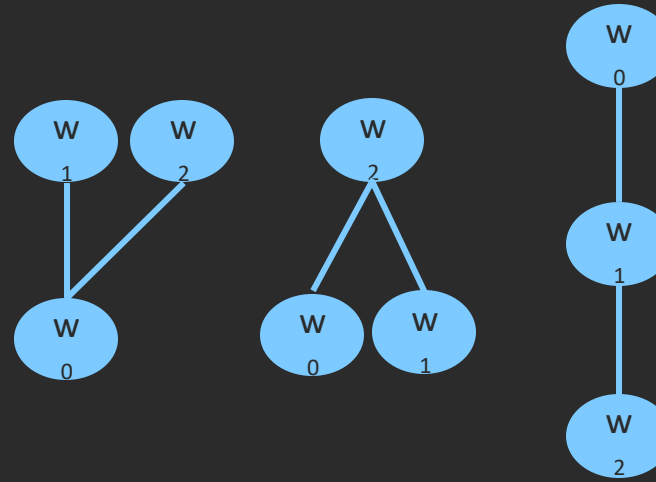
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$$\text{bound} = \sum_j^n \text{up}[i] \quad \text{bound} = 16$$



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# Minimals - initialization

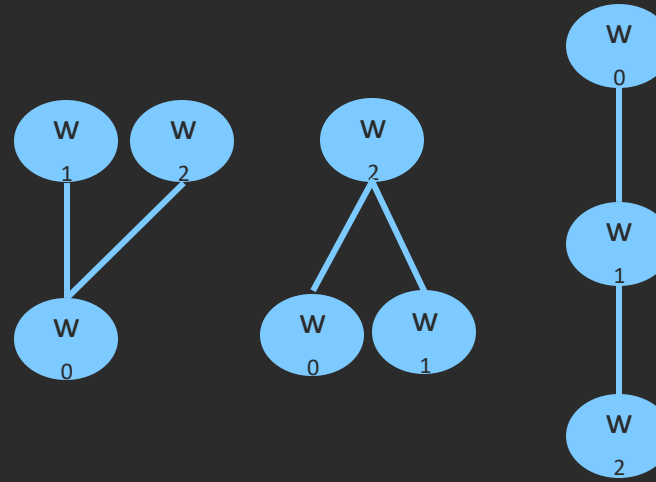
Vector up

Vector  
down

Bound  
constant

Used  
vector

$used = [False, False, False]$



$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$



# Minimals – search of the minimal

1º) Lowest number  
Elements below

Min =

$$P(i) = \frac{up[i]}{\sum_{j \text{ minimal}} up[i]}$$

2º) *minimal*

Minimals = [w<sub>0</sub>,

3º) Choose *minimal*

probabilities = [ $\frac{6}{11}$ ,

w<sub>1</sub>

4º) update

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

	w <sub>0</sub>	w <sub>1</sub>	w <sub>2</sub>
up	6	5	5
down	5	5	6
used	False	False	False

Bound =

# Minimals – search of the minimals

1º) Lowest number  
Elements below

Min =

2º) *minim*

Minimals =  $[w_0,$

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probabilities =  $[\frac{6}{11},$

$w_1$

4º) update

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

	$w_0$	$w_1$	$w_2$
up	$6-1 = 5$	$5-3 = 2$	$5-1 = 4$
down	$5-1 = 4$	$5-3 = 2$	$6-1=5$
used	false	true	False

Bound =

# Minimals – search of the minimals

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Elements below

Min =

2º) *minim*

Minimals = [

3º) Choose *min*

probabilities =

$w_0$   
|  
 $w_1$

4º) update

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

	$w_0$	$w_1$	$w_2$
up	5	2	4
down	4	2	5
used	false	true	False

Bound =

# Minimals – search of the minimals

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Elements below

Min =

2º) *minim*

Minimals = [

3º) Choose *min*

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$w_0$   
|  
 $w_1$

4º) update

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

	$w_0$	$w_1$	$w_2$
up	$5-3 = 2$	$2-1 = 1$	$4-1 = 3$
down	$4-3 = 1$	$2-1 = 1$	$5-2 = 3$
used	true	true	False

Bound =

# Minimals – search of the minimals

1º) Lowest number  
Elements below

Min =

2º) *minim*

Minimals =

3º) Choose *min*

probabilities =

4º) update



$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

	$w_0$	$w_1$	$w_2$
up	2	1	3
down	1	1	3
used	true	true	False

Bound =

# Minimals – search of the minimals

1º) Lowest number  
Elements below

Min =

2º) *minim*

Minimals =

3º) Choose *min*

probabilities =

4º) update



$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

	$w_0$	$w_1$	$w_2$
up	2-2=0	1-1=0	3-3=0
down	1-1=0	1-1=0	3-3=0
used	true	true	true

Bound =

# Minimals random

Randomly cho

~~Vector u~~

# Minimals random - example

minima

Minimals =  $[w_0]$

probabilities =  $[\frac{6}{11}]$

Minimals random

Minimals =  $[w_0]$

probabilities =  $[\frac{1}{2}]$

$$P(i) = P(i) = \frac{1^i}{k_{ul} up[i]}$$



# mincost mt

Based on mincost st

parallel<sup>5</sup>

5) e. ouellet and o. Saad “fast implementations and a new indexing...” (2018)

# Sorting algorithms

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# Sorting algorithms – comparison a

only take into  
account the times  
an  $i$  element is

lower or greater  
than another  $i$

lower  $\rightarrow A[i, j]$

$$P(i \leq j) = \begin{cases} \frac{\text{lower}}{\text{lower} + \text{greater}} & \text{if } \text{lower} + \text{greater} \neq 0 \\ 0.5 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

greater  $\rightarrow A[j, i]$

# Sorting algorithms – comparison b

the times an  $i$   
element is lower or  
greater than

The times objects  $i$   
and  $j$  are not  
comparable

$$P(i \leq j) = \frac{\text{lower} + 0.5 \times \text{notCompared}}{\text{total}}$$

lower  $\rightarrow A[i, j]$  greater  $\rightarrow A[j, i]$

total  $\rightarrow A[i, i]$

Not compared  $\rightarrow \text{total} - (\text{lower} + \text{greater})$

# Sorting algorithms – example

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Comparison a

Comparison b

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{A[0,1]}{A[0,1] + A[1,0]} & \frac{A[0,2]}{A[0,2] + A[2,0]} \\ \frac{A[1,0]}{A[1,0] + A[0,1]} & 1 & \frac{A[1,2]}{A[1,2] + A[2,1]} \\ \frac{A[2,0]}{A[2,0] + A[0,2]} & \frac{A[2,1]}{A[2,1] + A[1,2]} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{A[0,1] + 0.5 \times 1}{3} & \frac{A[0,2] + 0.5 \times 0}{3} \\ \frac{A[1,0] + 0.5 \times 1}{3} & 1 & \frac{A[1,2] + 0.5 \times 1}{3} \\ \frac{A[2,0] + 0.5 \times 0}{3} & \frac{A[2,1] + 0.5 \times 1}{3} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Sorting algorithms – example

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Comparison a

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{2}{3} \\ \frac{1}{2} & 1 & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{2} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Comparison b

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{2}{3} \\ \frac{1}{2} & 1 & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{2} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

# simulated annealing<sup>6</sup>

Optimization algorithm



Initial solution

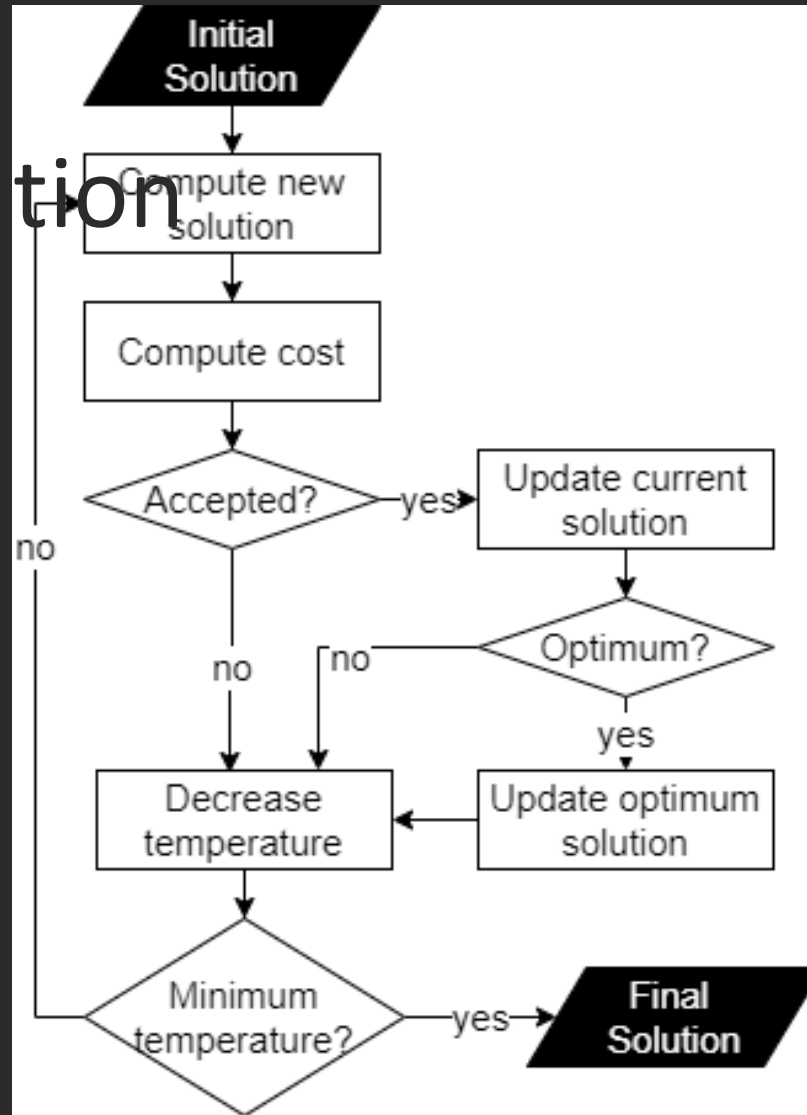
6) d.t. pham and d. karaboga "Intelligent optimisation techniques: genetics..." (2000)

# simulated annealing - flowchart

Compute new solution

Compute cost

Accept and update



Update optimum

Lower temperature



# simulated annealing – calculate new so

Swap two positi

$[w_0, w_2, v$

$[w_1, w_2, v$

$l = \text{random}(n)$

simulated annealing – calculate cost so

Algorithm of the c

# simulated annealing – accept and update

Newcost  $\leq$  current

$$P(\text{accepted}) = 1$$

Newcost  $>$  current

$$P^7(\text{accepted}) = e^{\frac{-\Delta cost}{T}}$$

# simulated annealing – update best

Keep best solution

# simulated annealing – lower temperature

Initial temperature

Cooling system

Limit temperature

$$T_{i+1} = \beta T_i$$

# linear programming – 4 concepts<sup>6</sup>

Decision  
variable

s

- Vector  
 $\mathbf{x}$

Domain

- $\mathbf{x} \geq 0$

Constrai  
nts

- $\mathbf{Ax} \leq \mathbf{b}$

Objectiv  
e  
function

- $\mathbf{c}^T \mathbf{x}$

# linear programming – standard form<sup>7</sup>

$$\max\{\mathbf{c}^T \mid \mathbf{Ax} \leq \mathbf{b} \wedge \mathbf{x} \geq 0\}$$

$$\min\{\mathbf{c}^T \mid \mathbf{Ax} \leq \mathbf{b} \wedge \mathbf{x} \geq 0\}$$

# linear programming – example

variables

3 objects

V matrix n x n size

$$V = \begin{bmatrix} V_{o,o} & V_{o,1} & V_{o,2} \\ V_{1,0} & V_{1,1} & V_{1,2} \\ V_{2,0} & V_{2,1} & V_{2,2} \end{bmatrix}$$



# linear programming – example

domain

binary

zero-one linear  
programming

$$D = \{0, 1\}$$

# linear programming – example

constraints

Constraint	Type
$V[0,0] = 1$	Diagonal
$V[1,1] = 1$	Diagonal
$V[2,2] = 1$	Diagonal
$V[0,1] + V[1,0] = 1$	No cycles
$V[0,2] + V[2,0] = 1$	No cycles
$V[2,1] + V[1,2] = 1$	No cycles
$V[0,1] + V[1,2] - V[0,2] \leq 1$	Transitivity
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$V[1,2] + V[2,0] - V[1,0] \leq 1$	Transitivity

# linear programming – example

Objective function

Cost of the  
aggregation

minimise

variable x partial  
cost

$$\text{objectiveFunction}(V, A) = \sum_{i,j}^n V[i,j] \times A[j,i] = V[0,1] \times A[1,0] + V[0,2] \times A[2,0] + \dots + V[2,1] \times A[1,2]$$

$$\forall i \neq j$$

experiments

# parameters

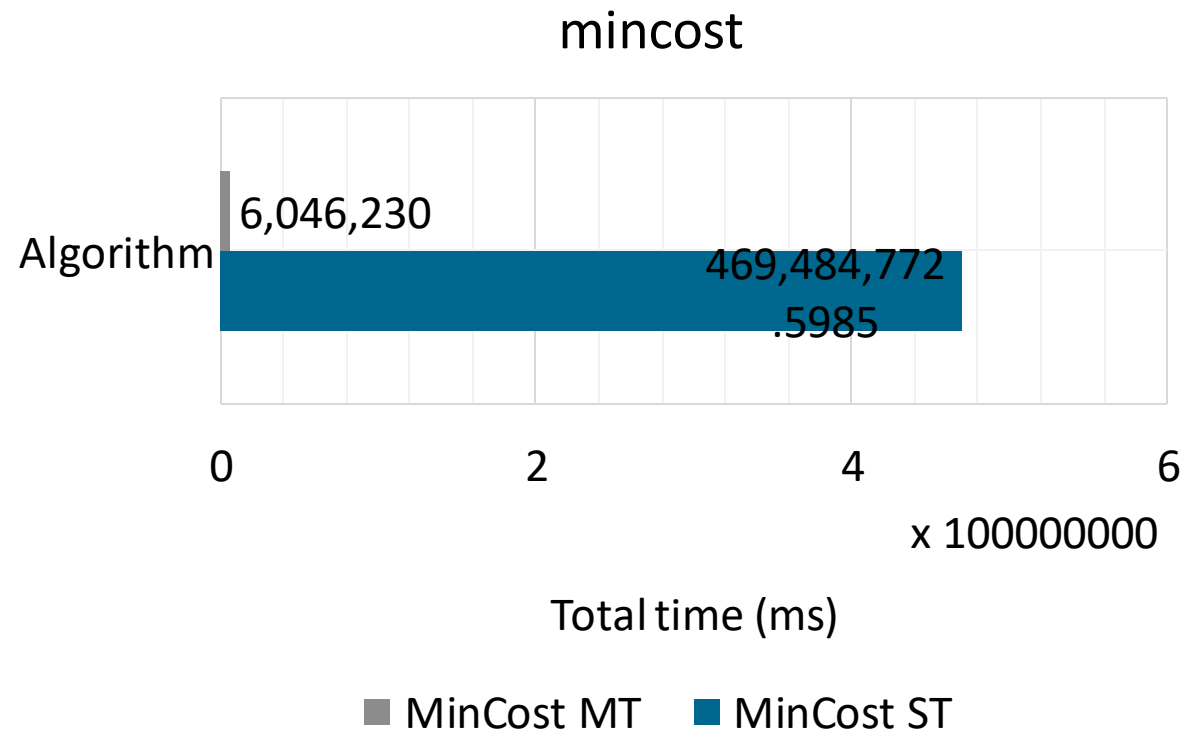
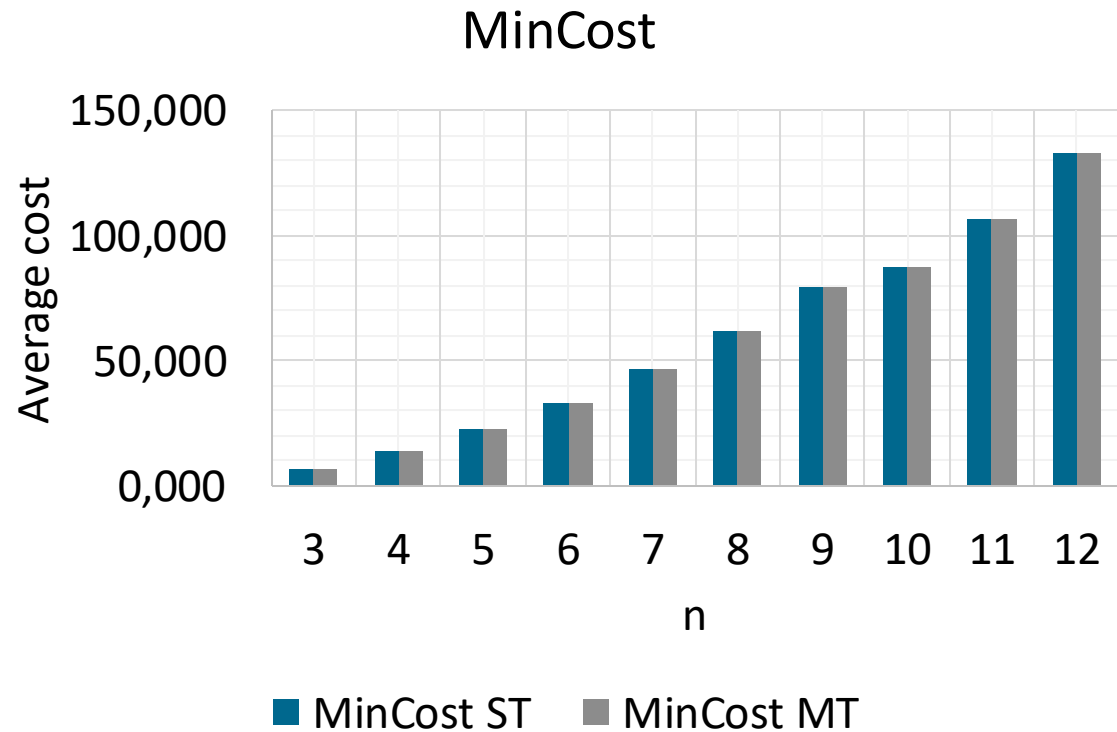
Size of the pos

Amount of pos

# results

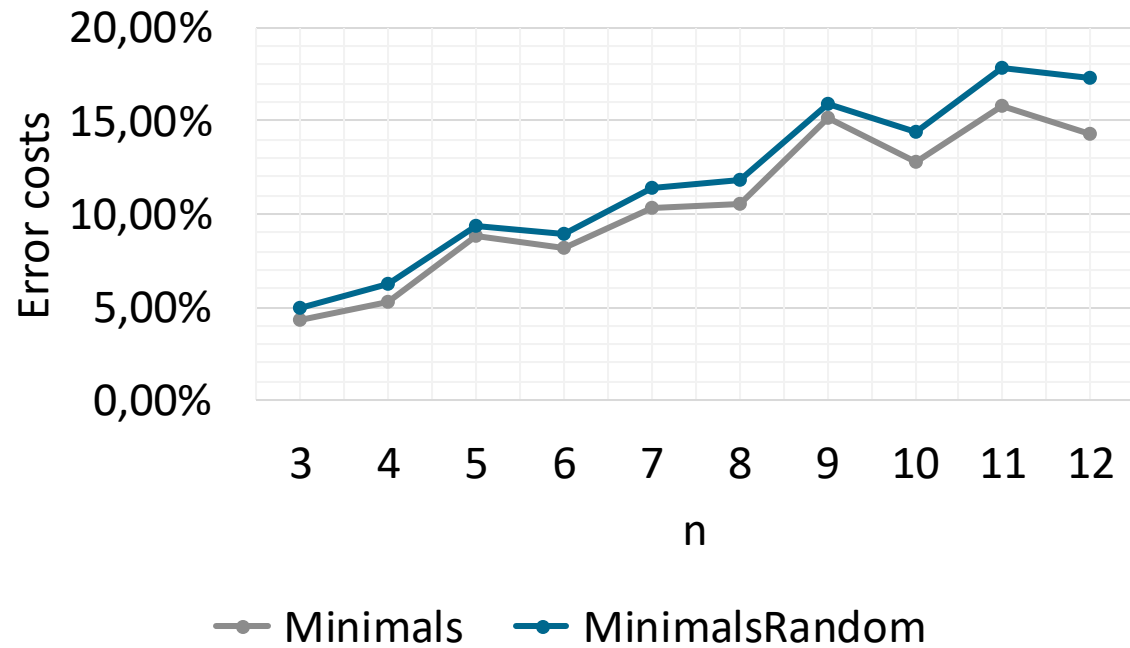
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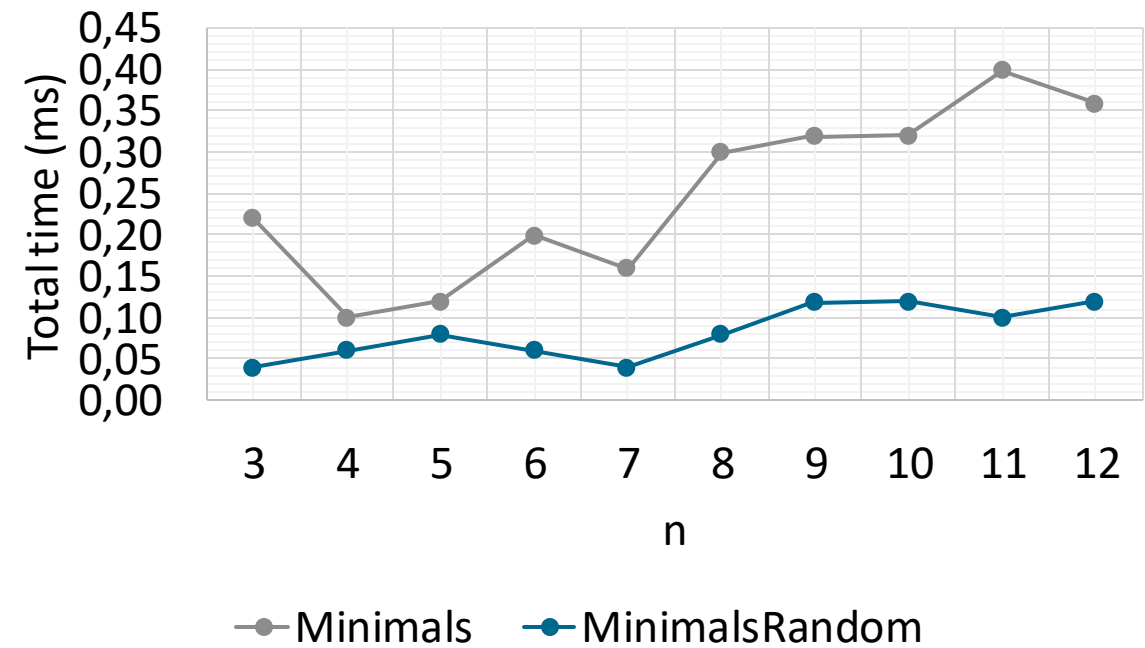


# Minimals vs minimals random

Minimals vs MinimalRandom

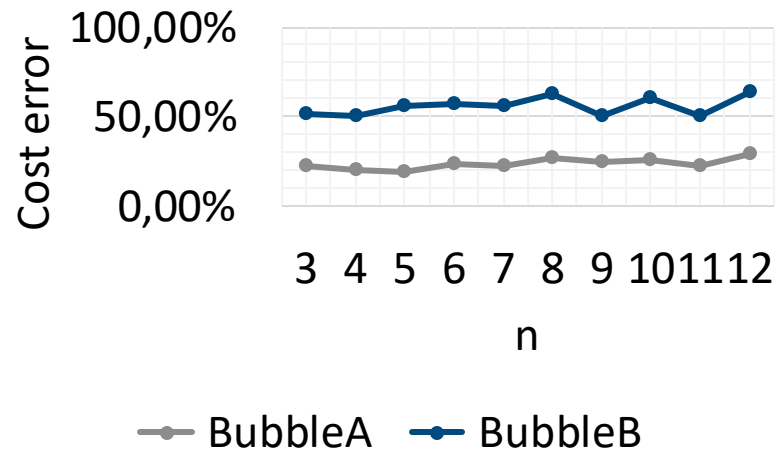


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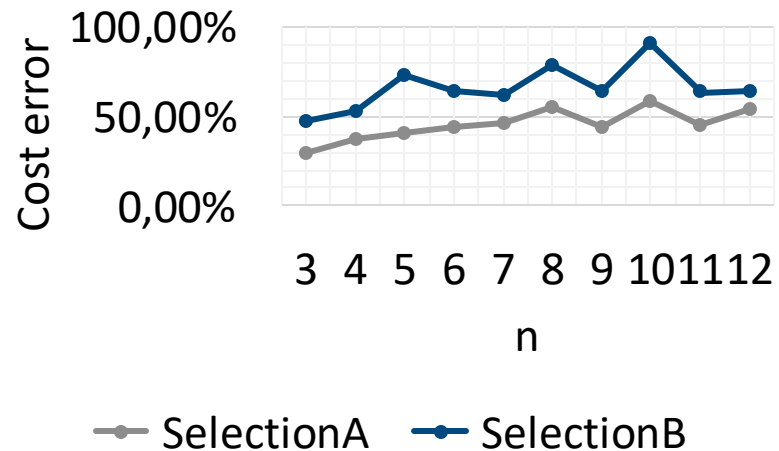


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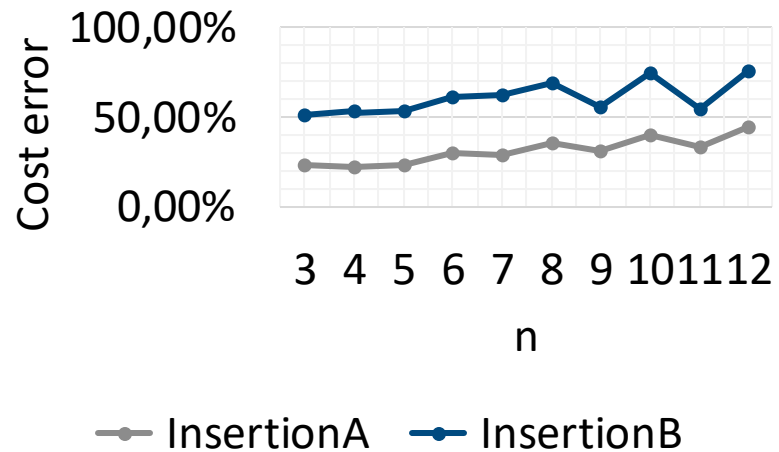
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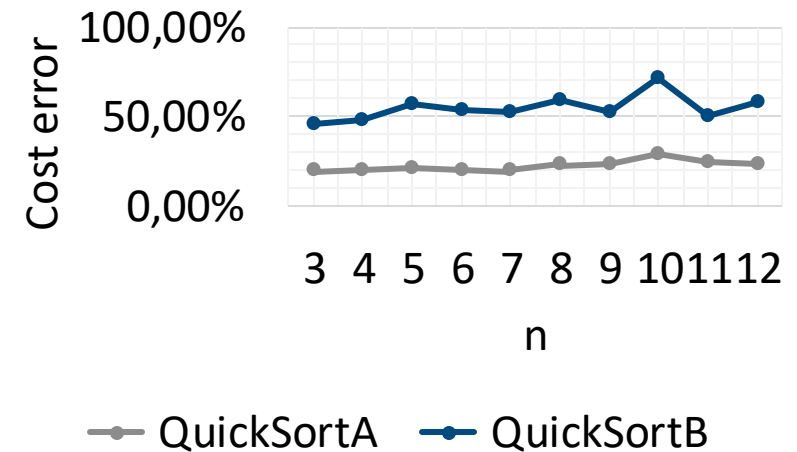
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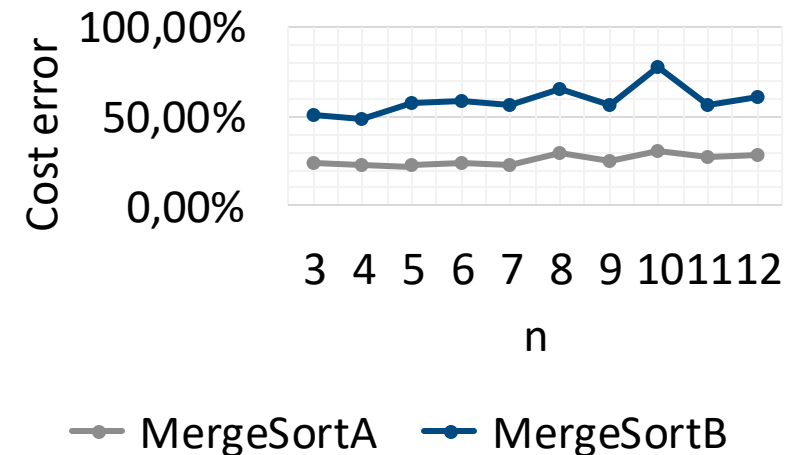
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quicksort

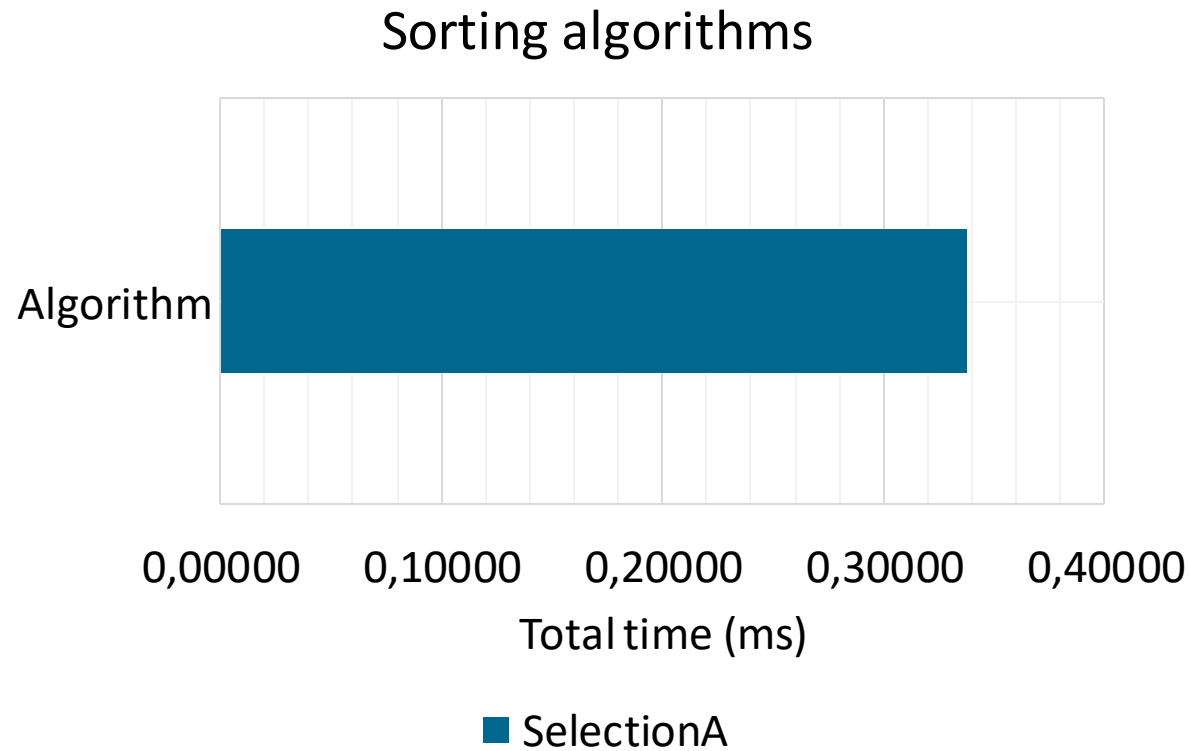
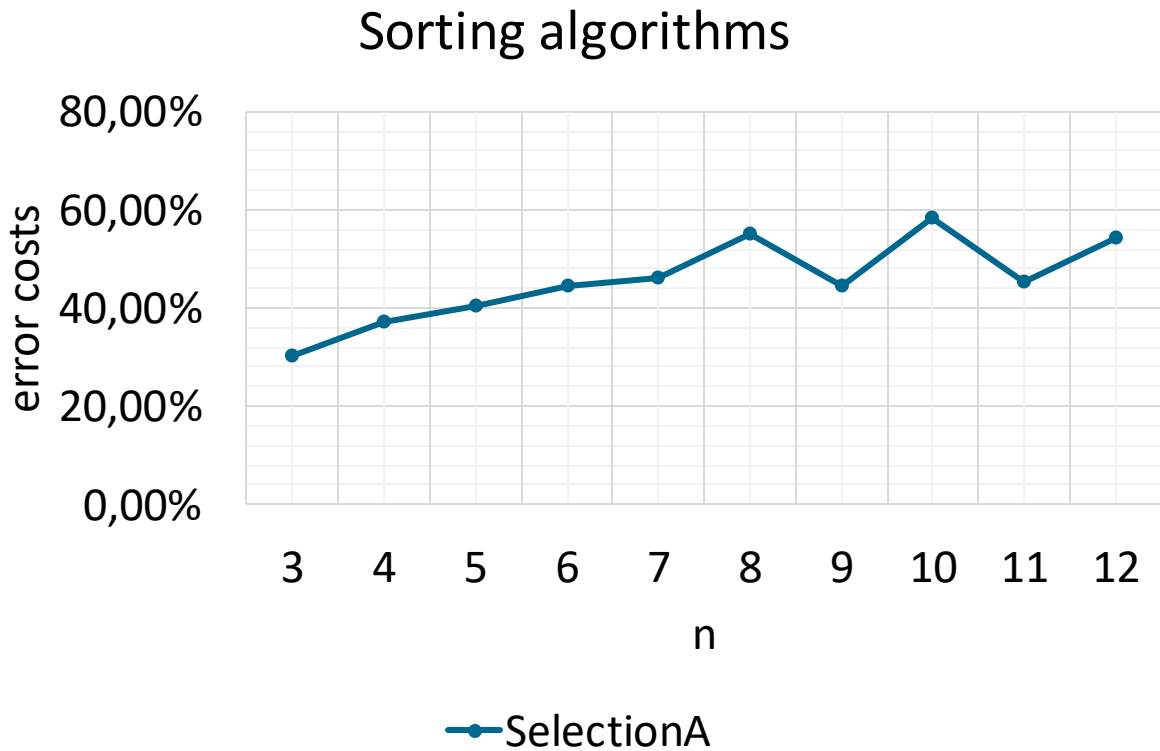


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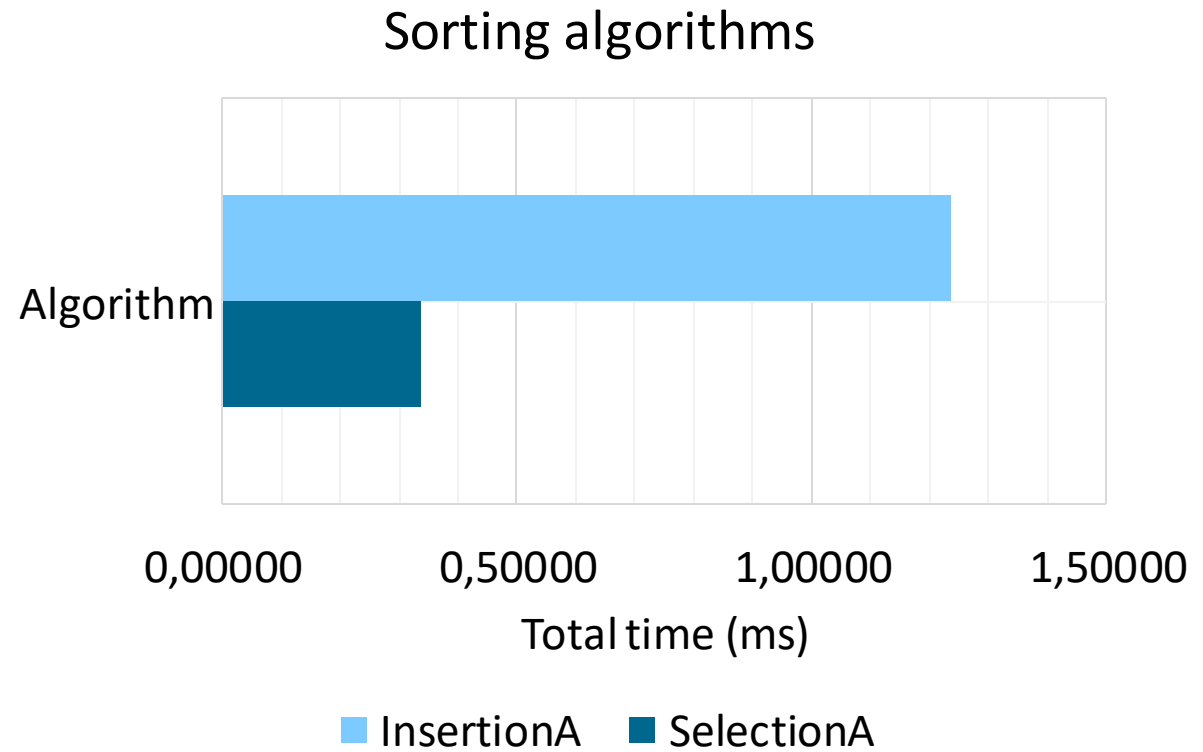
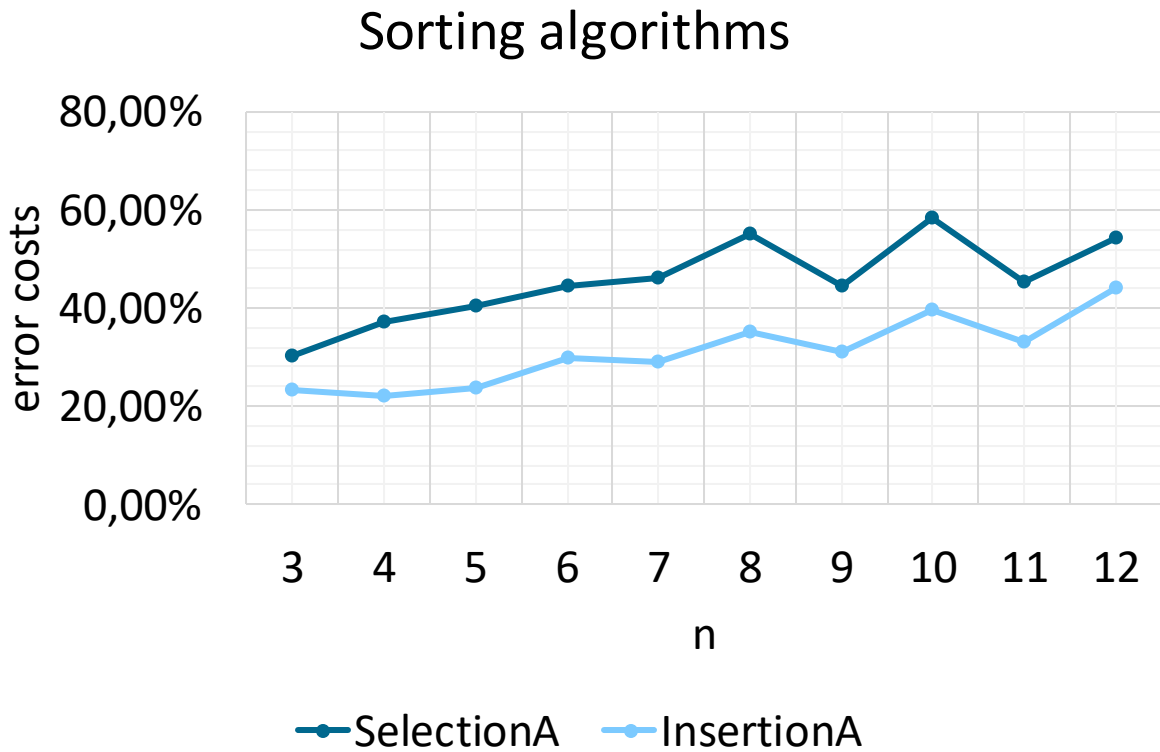


# Sorting algorithms: general



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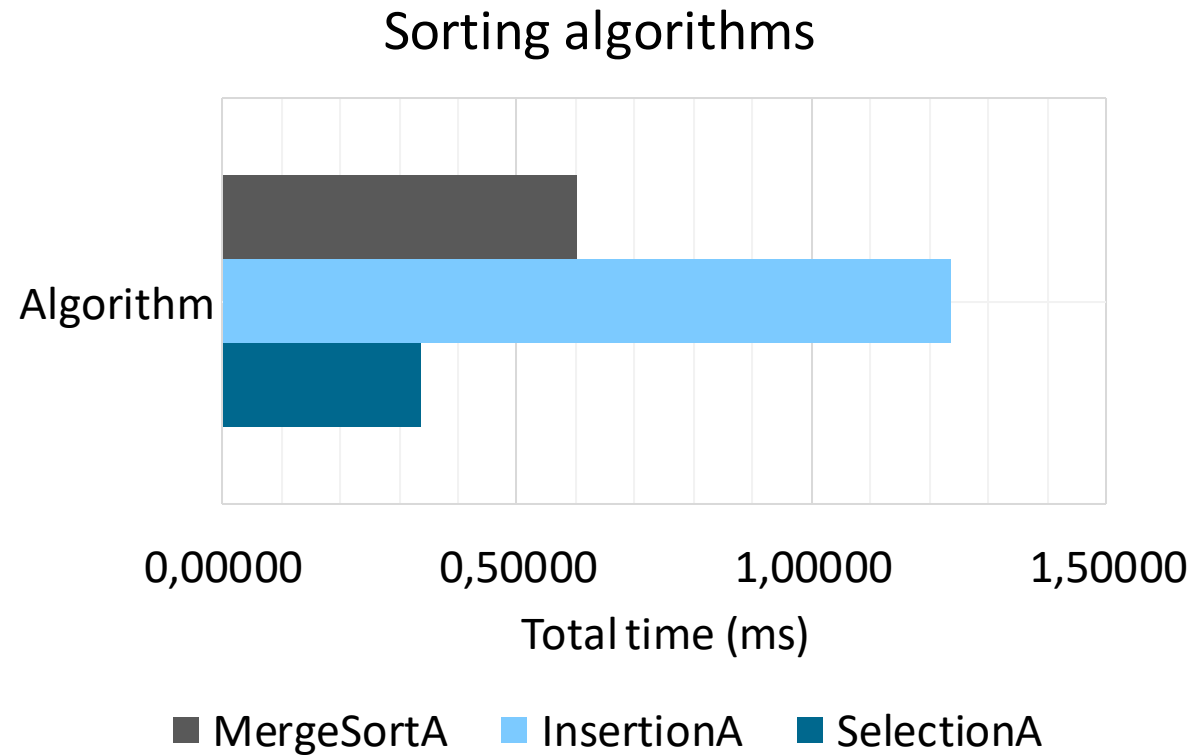
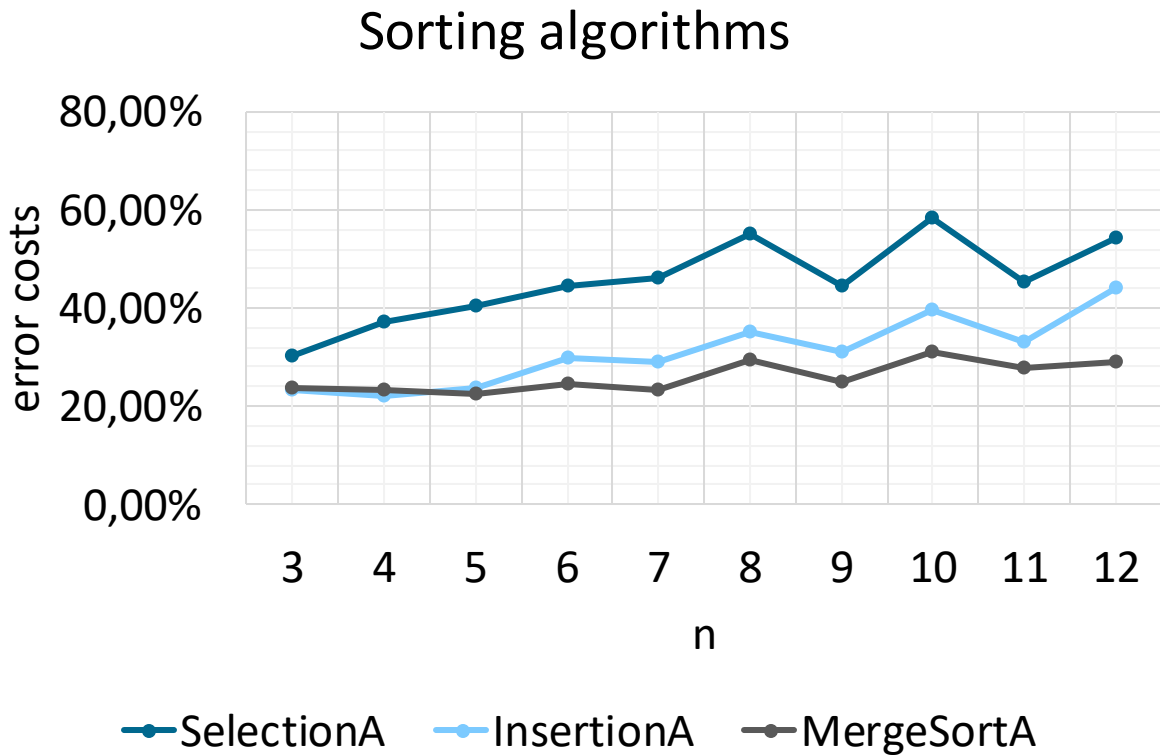


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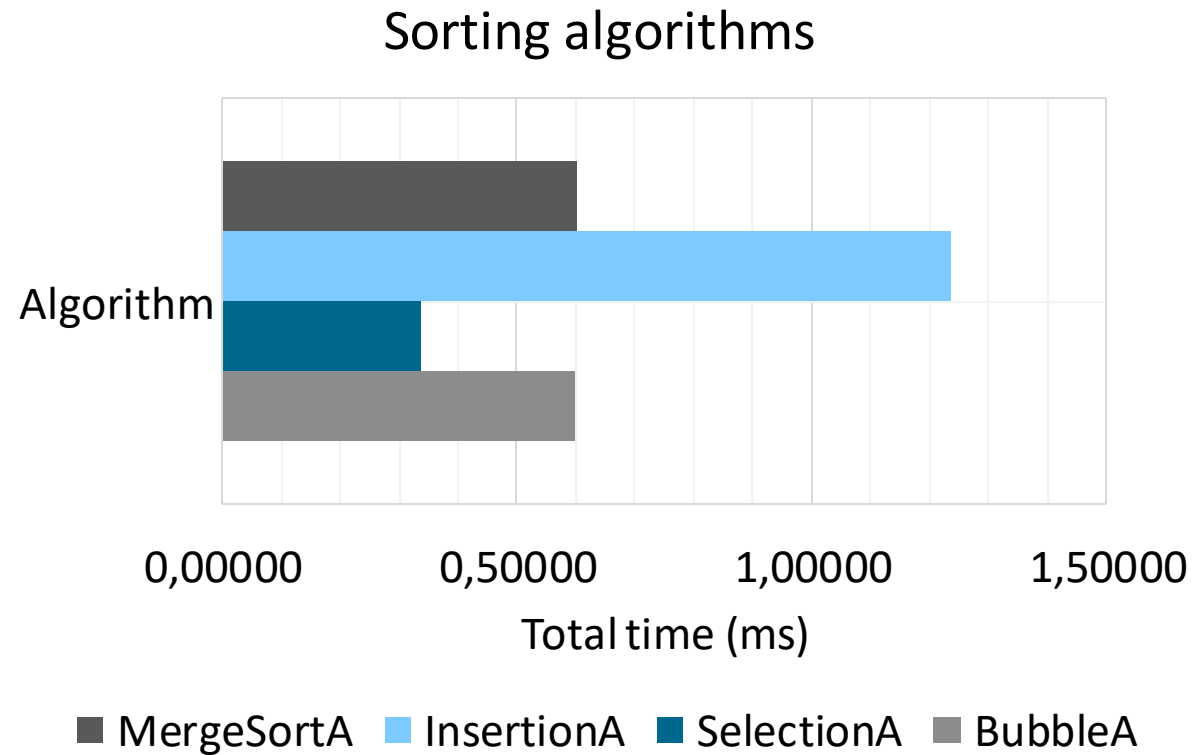
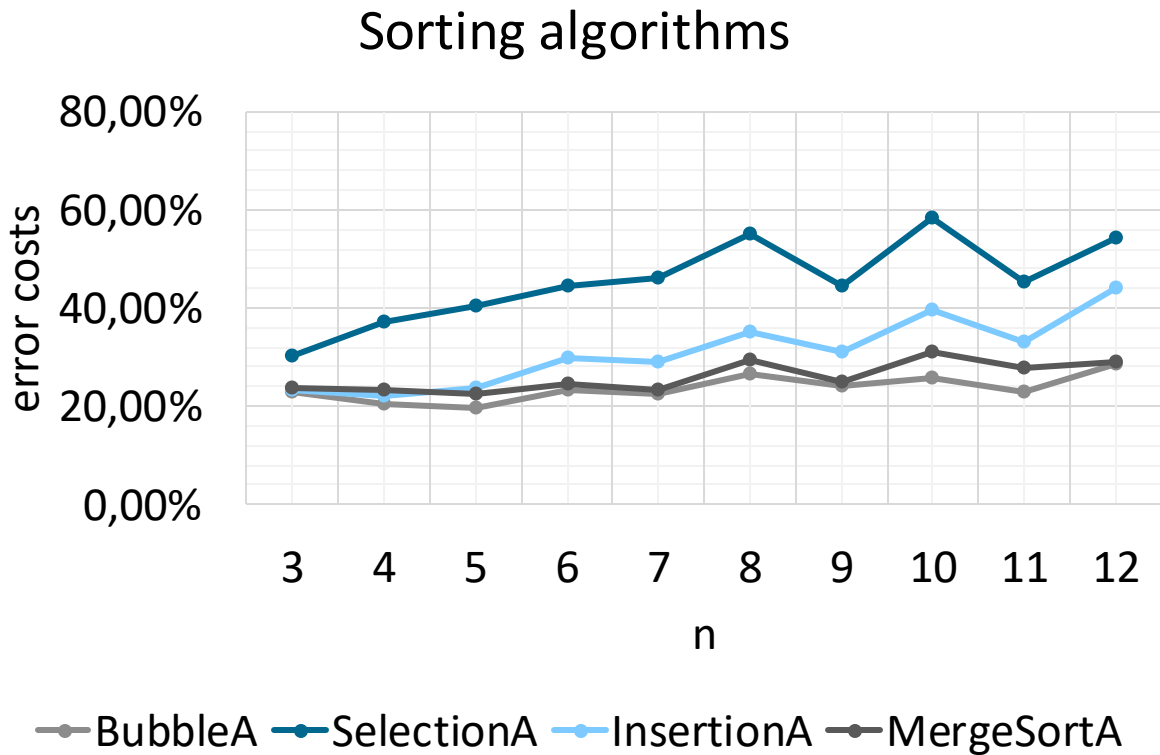


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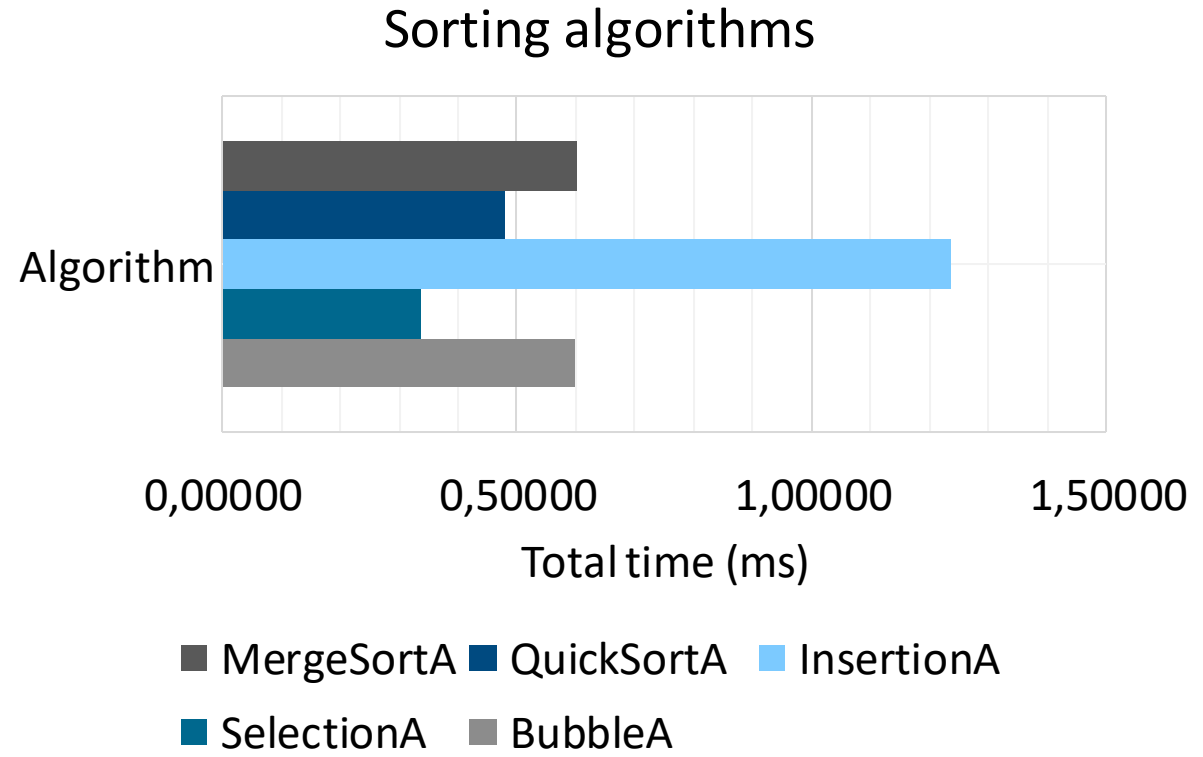
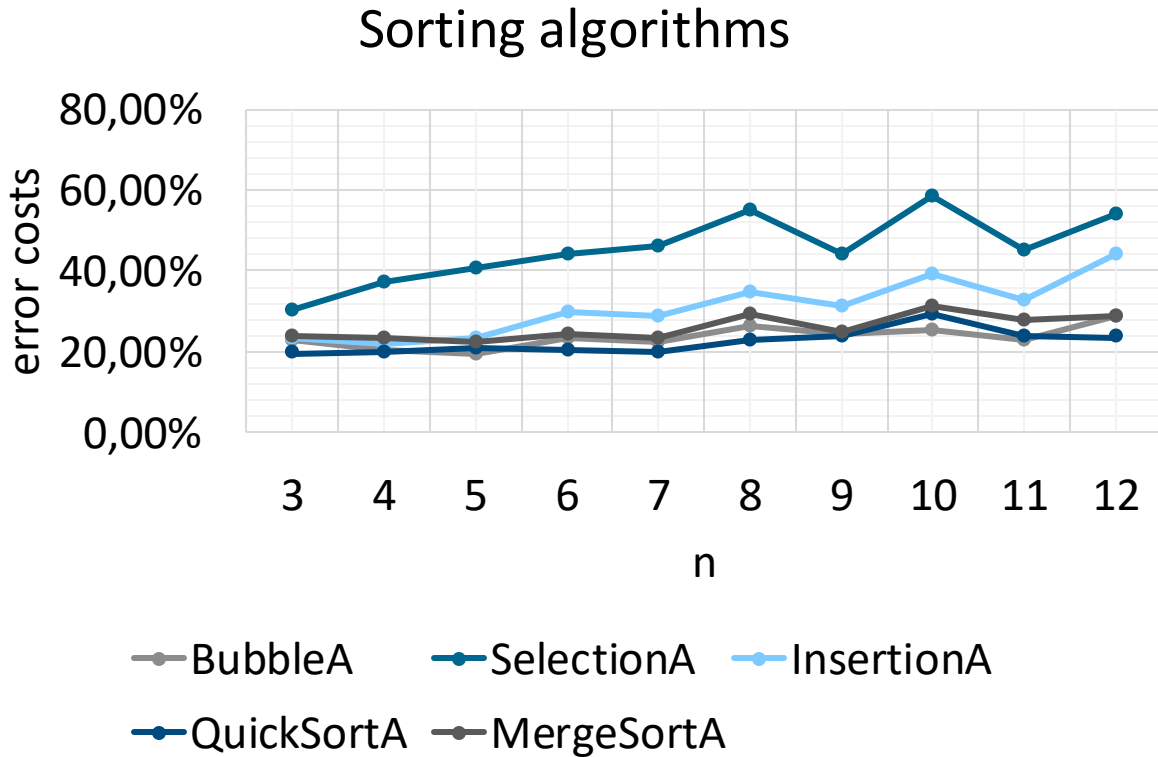
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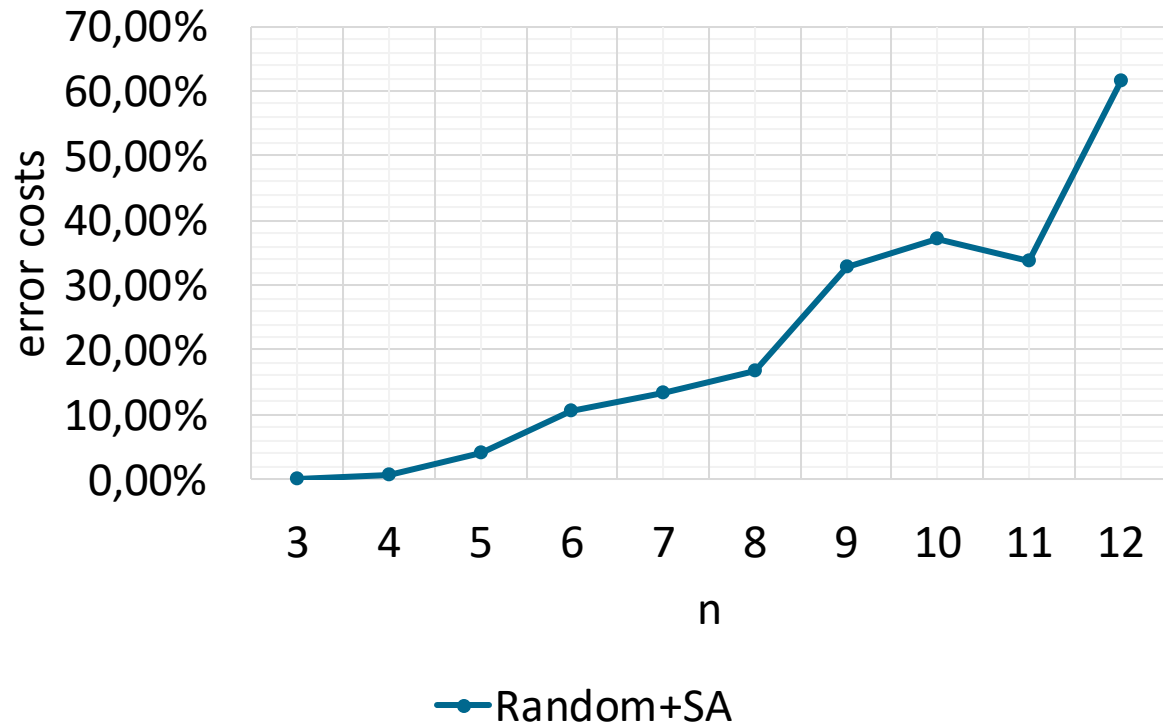
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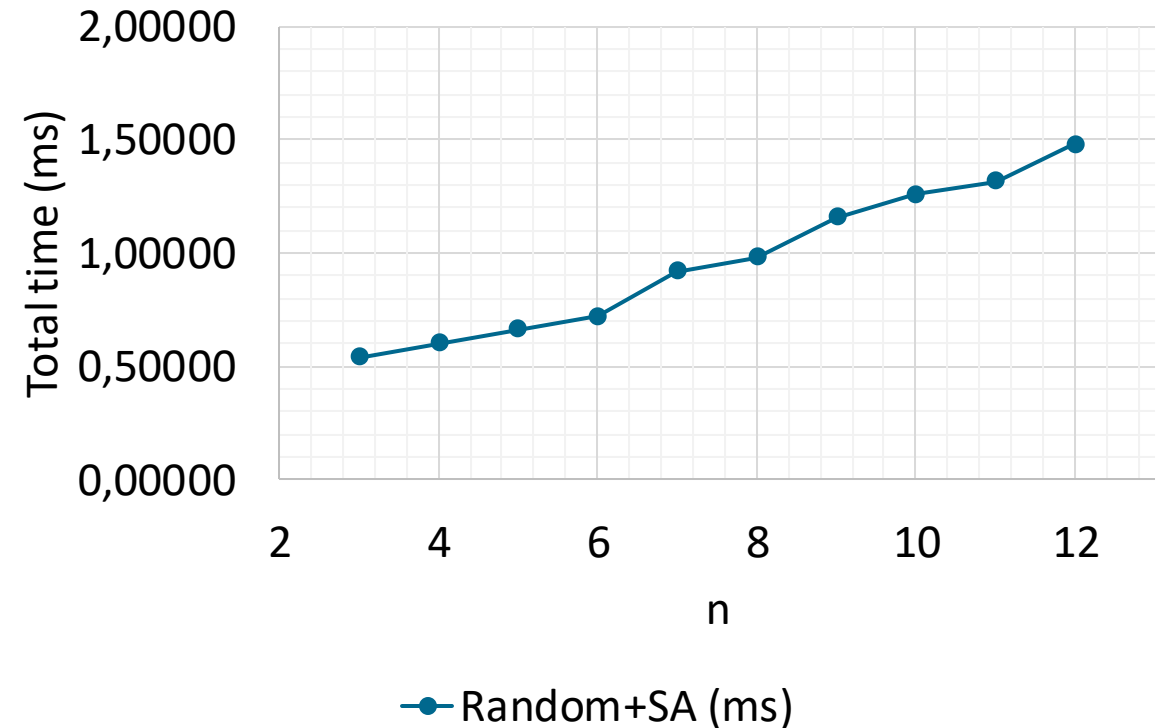
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# Simulated annealing: initial algorithm

simulated annealing:  $t=4$   $\beta=0.97$



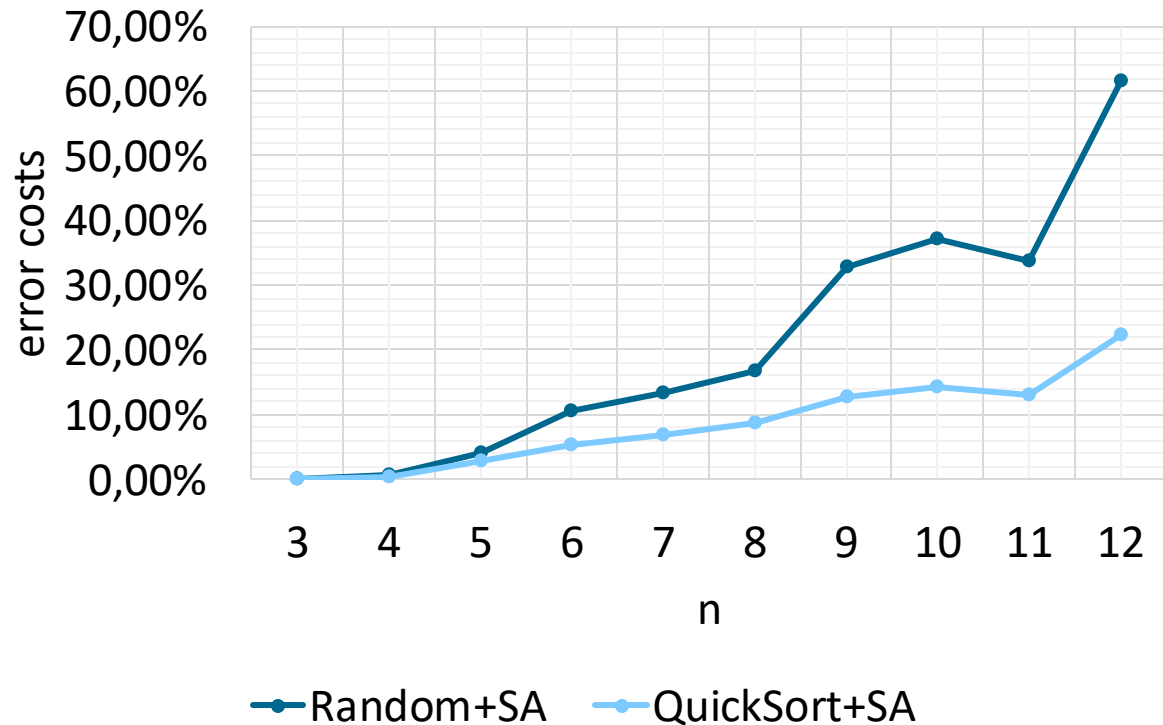
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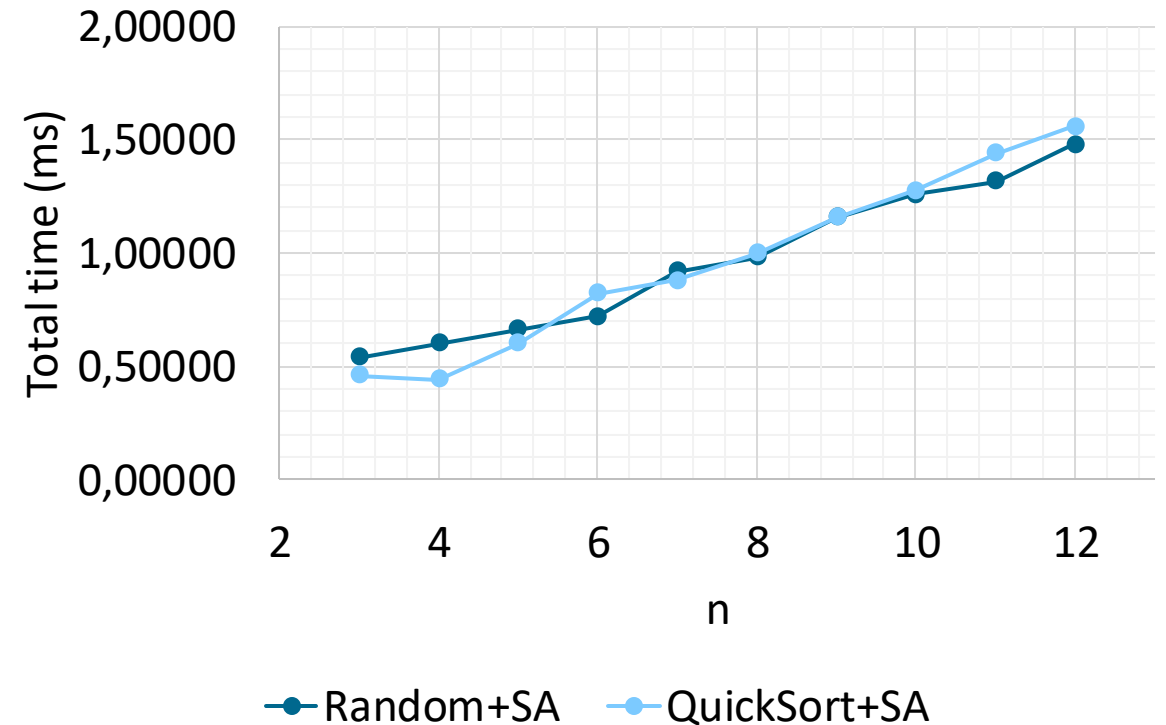
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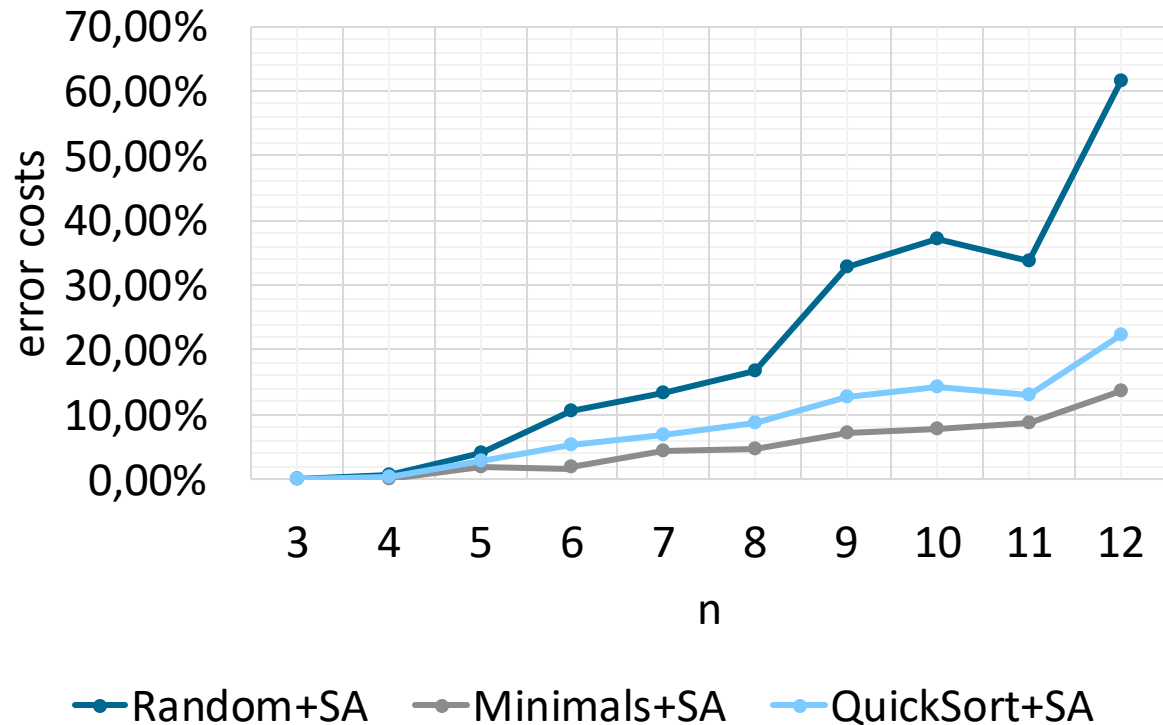
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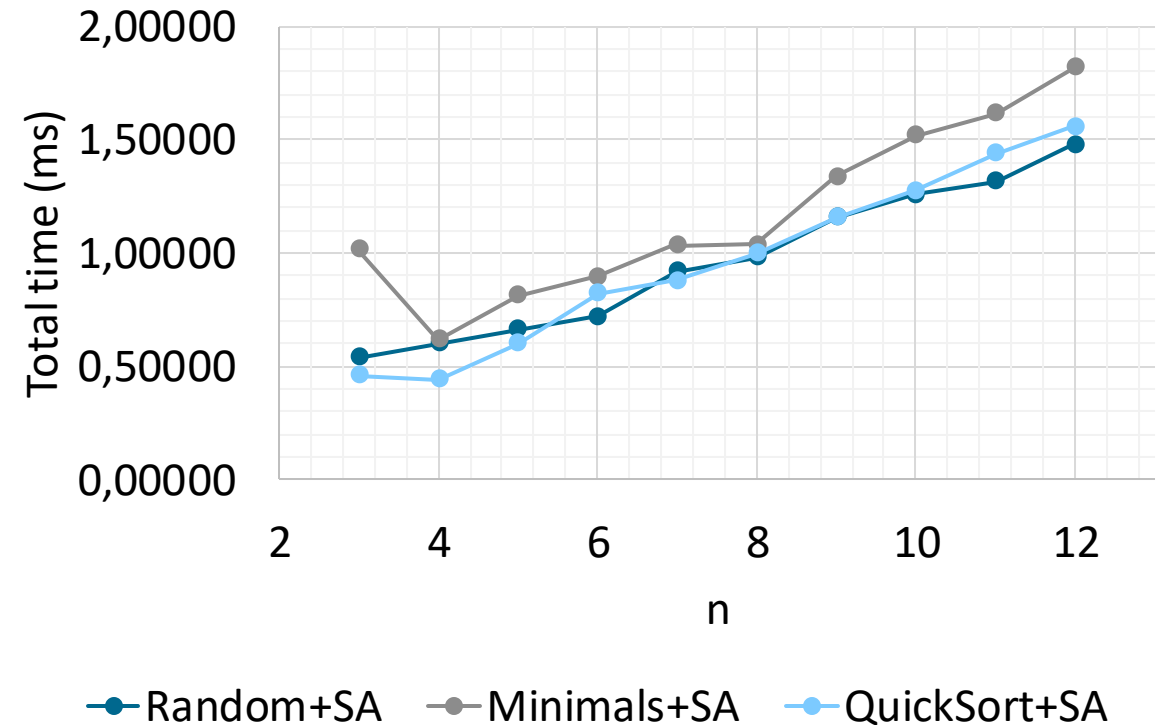
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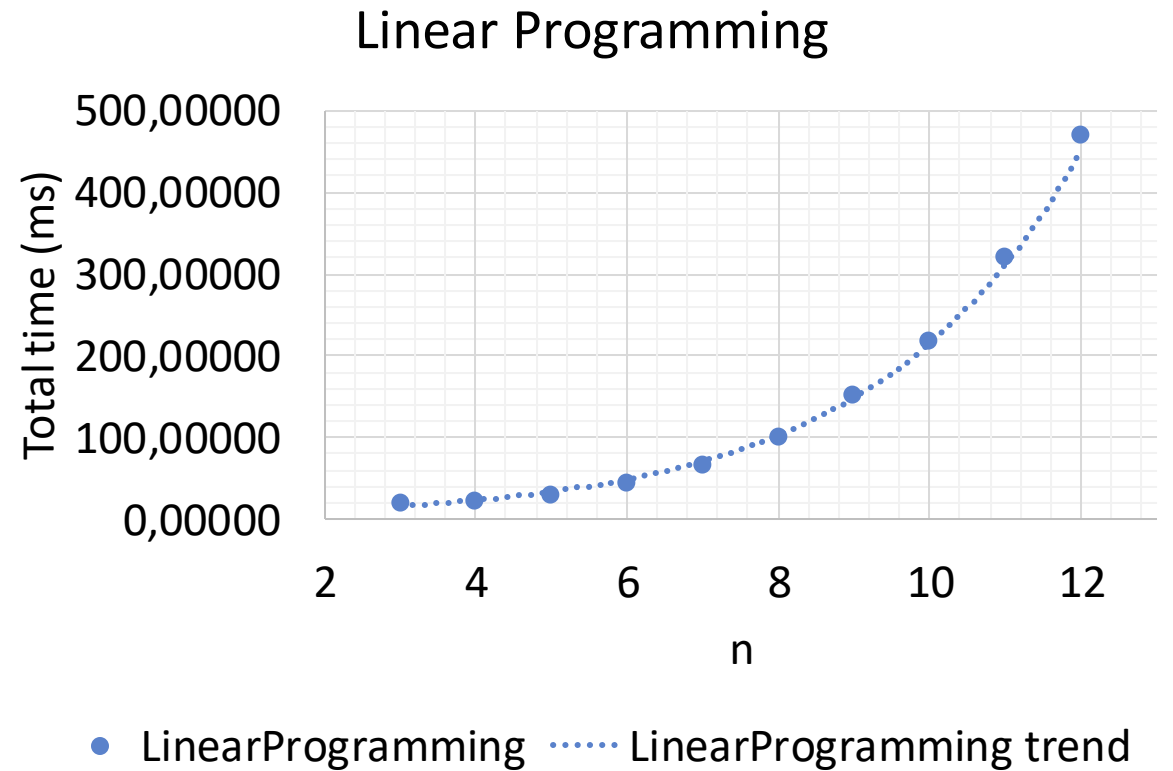
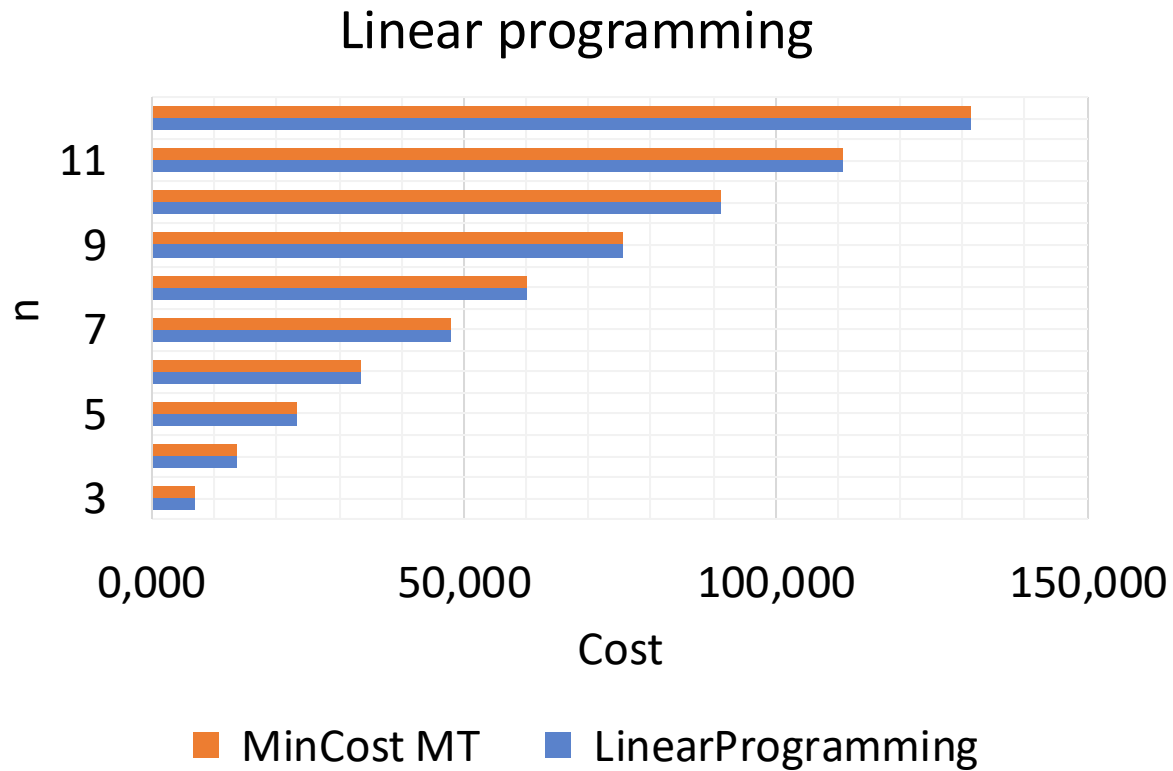
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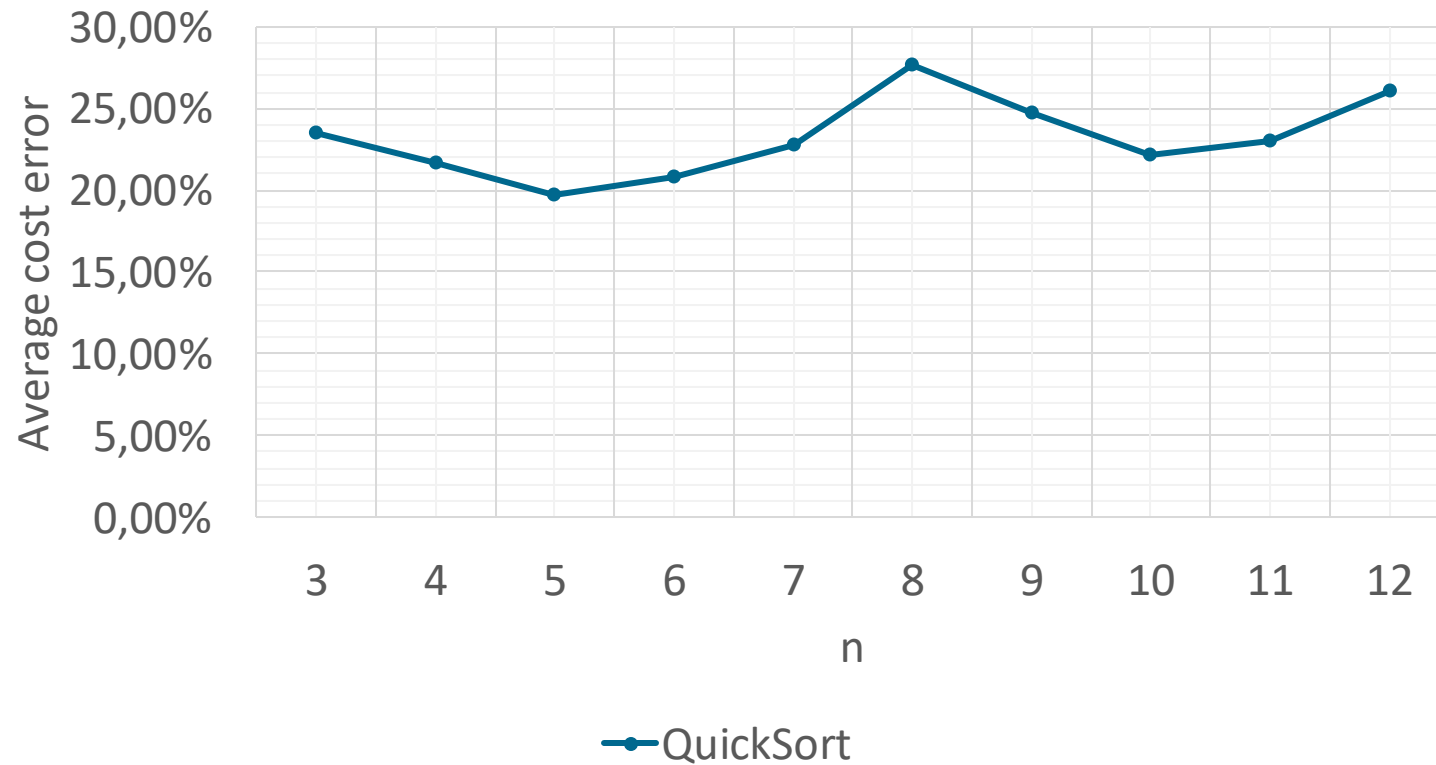


# Linear programming



# Best aggregation method

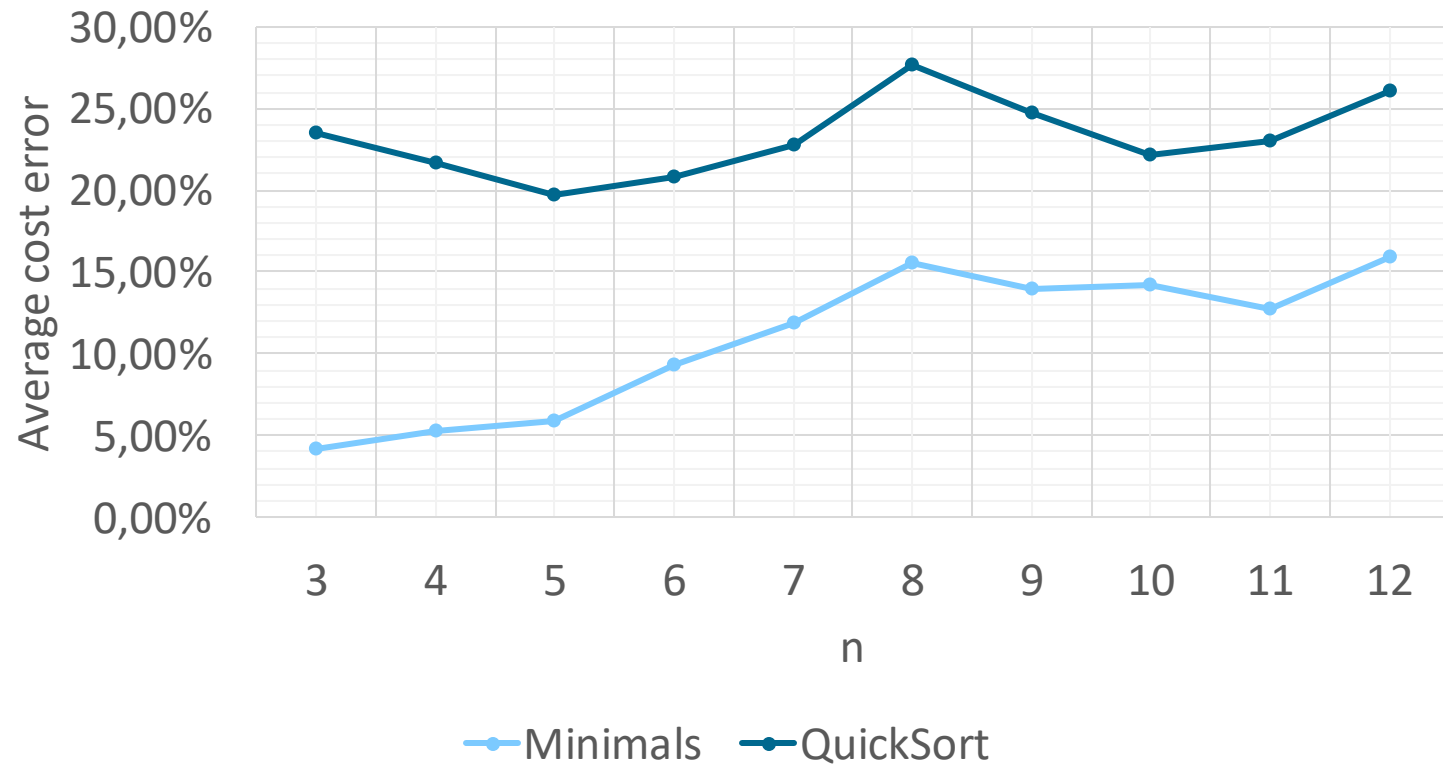
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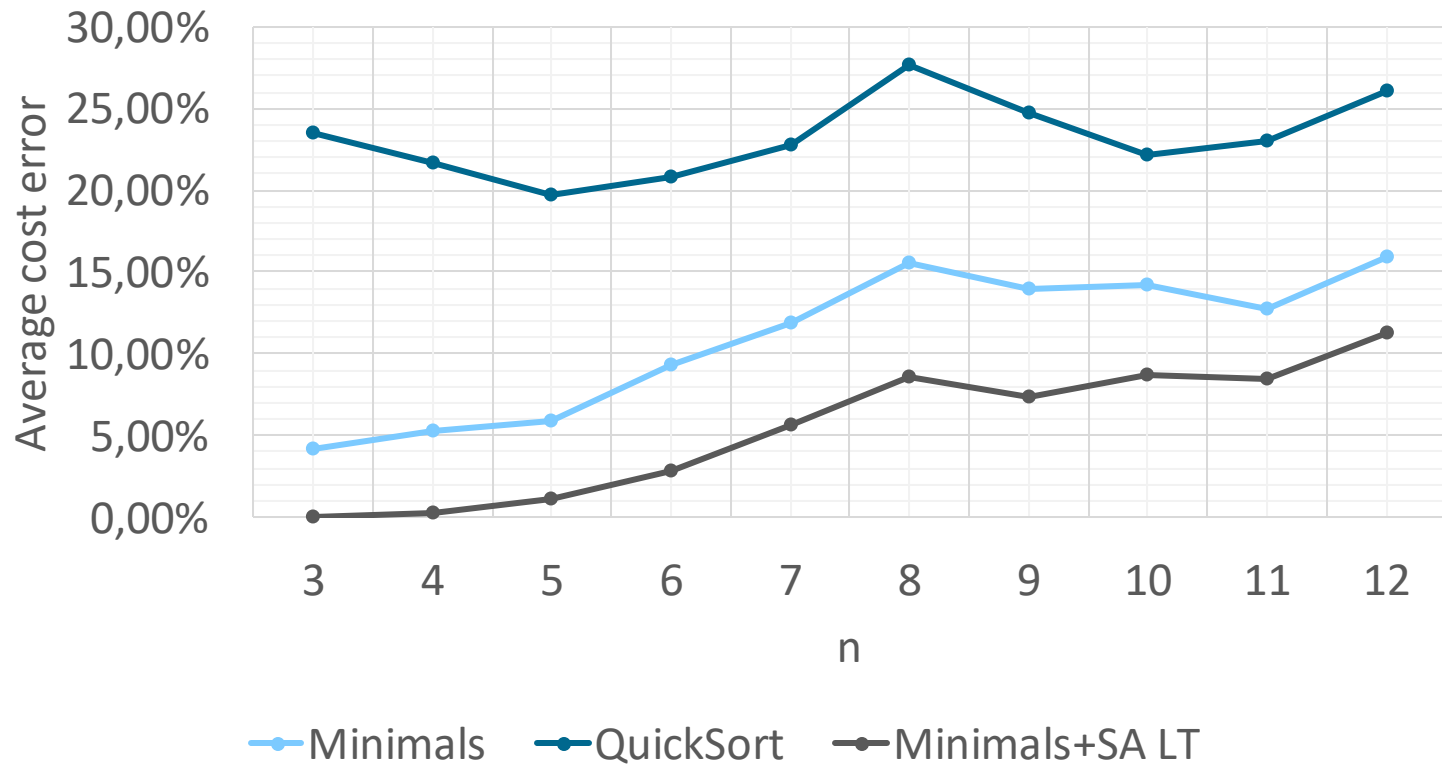


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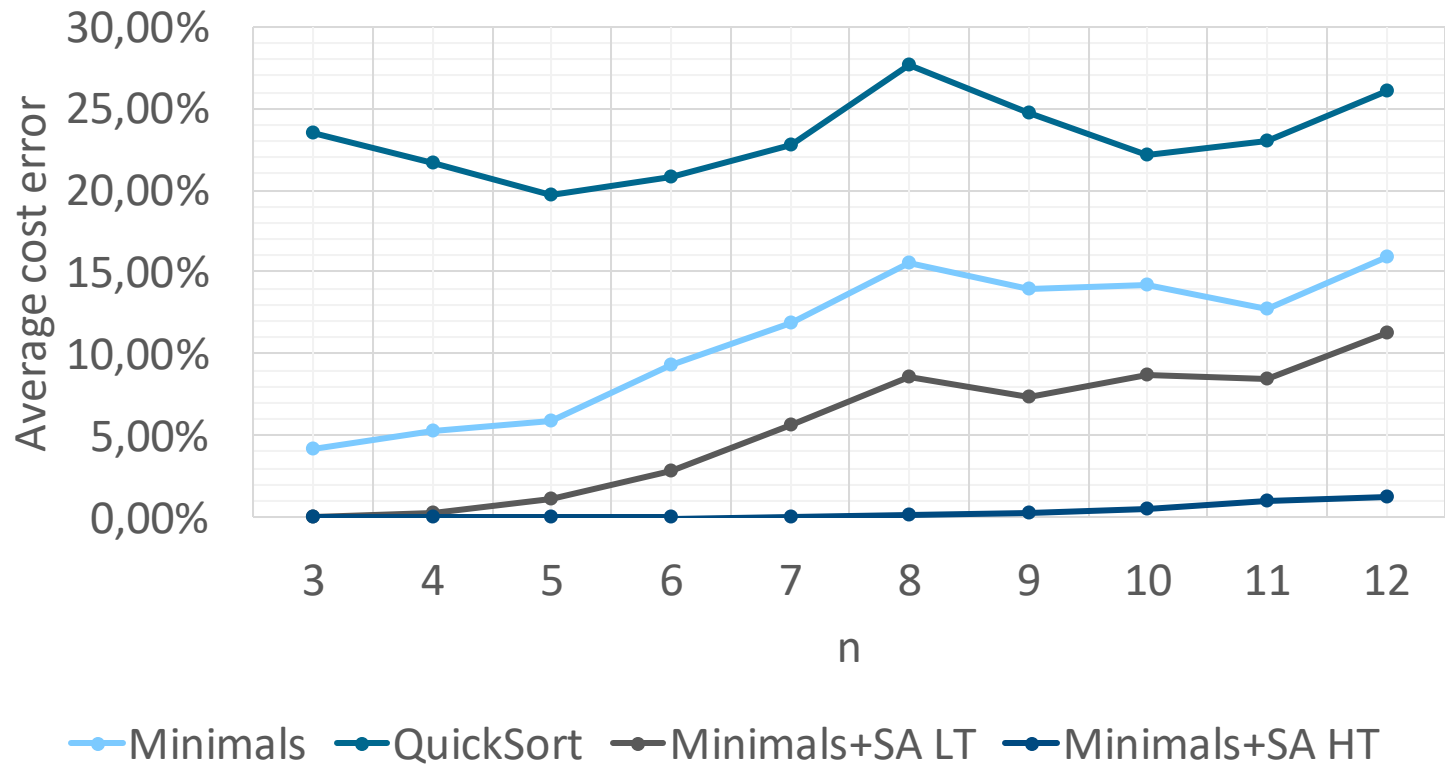
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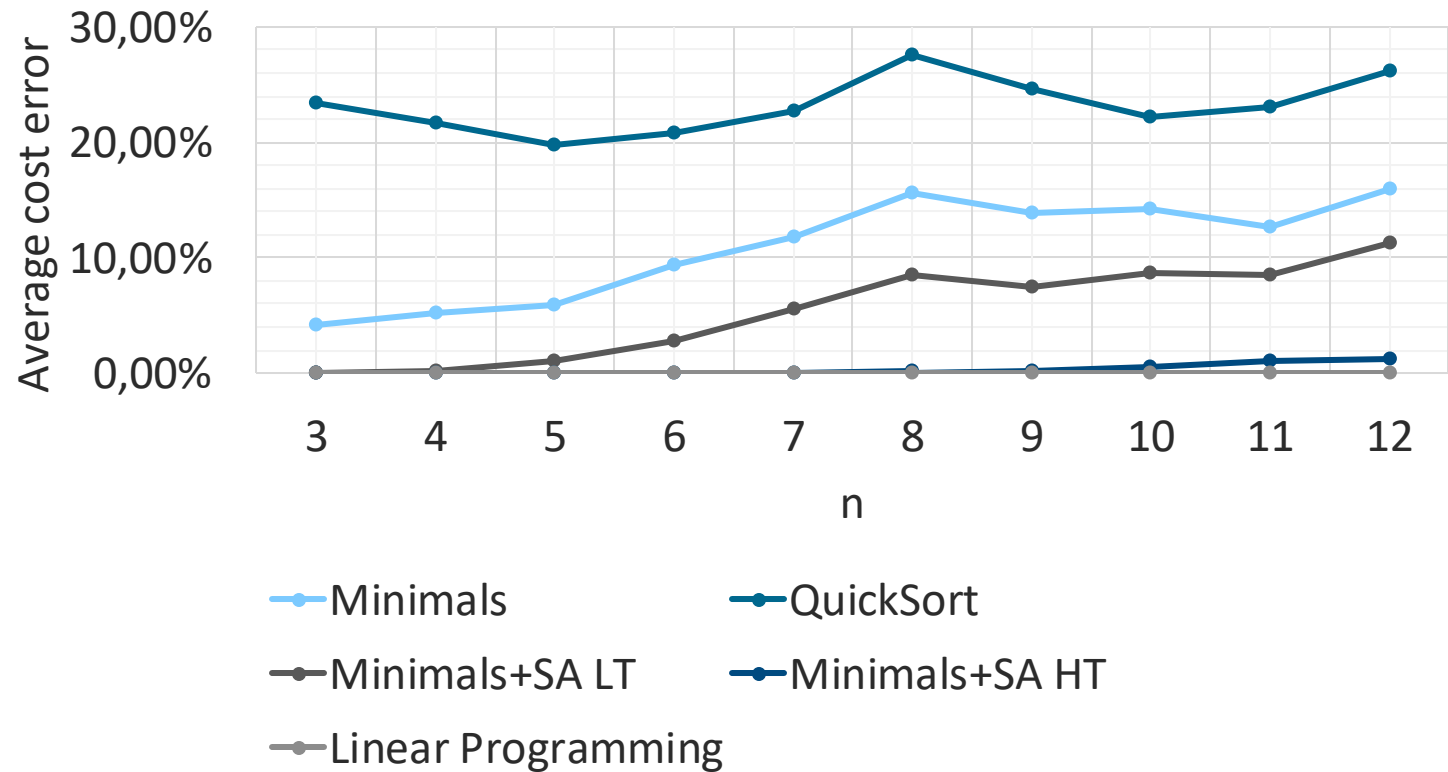
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# Best aggregation method

N	Minimals (ms)	QuickSort(m s)	Minimals+SA LT (ms)	Minimals+SA HT (ms)	Linear Programming (ms)	MinCost MT (ms)
3	0,19894	0,03990	0,63184	55,24363	6963,14810	32,82010
4	0,09810	0,01943	0,52893	61,15640	6234,57310	0,97050
5	0,19574	0,01995	0,60648	79,48764	6438,74210	1,99220
6	0,19478	0,05738	0,69495	89,79747	7002,72700	12,14280
7	0,25991	0,04095	0,96700	97,62566	7868,88970	41,58960
8	0,19948	0,05933	1,00327	106,92099	9126,45090	264,87810
9	0,27718	0,05987	1,24245	134,00389	11065,30240	2569,49330
10	0,35919	0,05987	1,39723	148,50157	13921,74060	27600,38580
11	0,35117	0,09916	1,60339	158,93650	18212,21800	275991,06630
12	0,47300	0,06042	1,74745	172,52270	23393,36860	3147048,23830
<b>Total time (ms)</b>	2,60750	0,51625	10,42301	1104,19646	110227,16050	3453563,57700

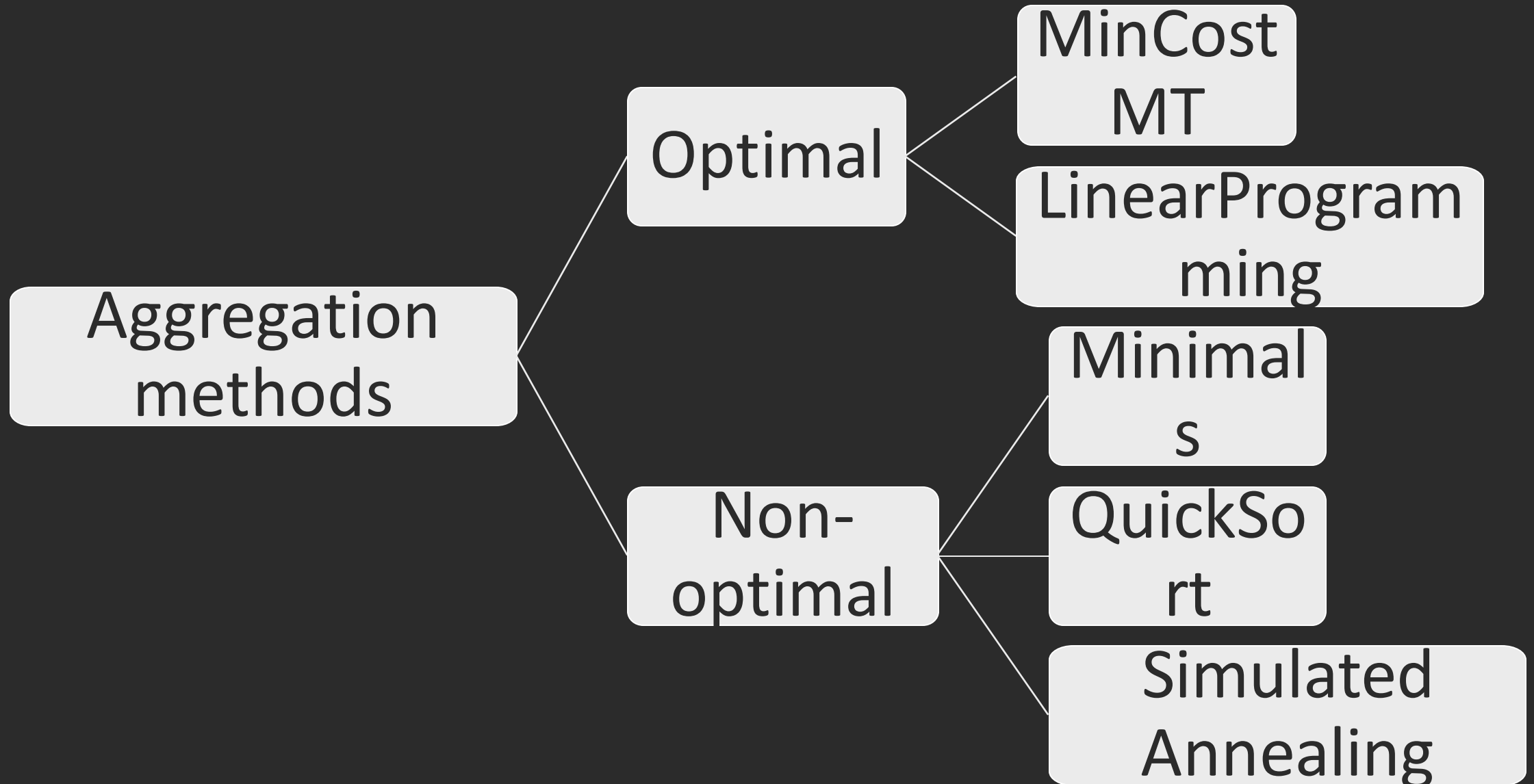
conclusions



# summary



# Two categories of algorithms



# Simulated annealing

Quality of the initial solution

temperature and cooling coefficient

# Optimal algorithms

minCost mT or LinearProgra

# Non-Optimal algorithms

Minimals + simulated an

# What is the best aggregation method?



# What is the best aggregation method?

Minimals + simulated annealing

High temperature  
low cooling constant

