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Ryan Vollmer - CS 325 - HW 1
1)
 8n^2 = 64nlgn
 8n = 64lgn
                # / n
 n = 8lgn
              #/8
 n = 1.1 and 43.6
 therefore with rounding,
 2 < n < 43
 in which 8n^2 is faster than 64nlgn
2)
 a) big-o - n^{(1/4)} grows at a slower rate than n^{(1/2)}
 b) omega - n grows at a faster rate than log(n)
 c) theta - both have log growth rate
 d) theta - both are n^2 growth rate
 e) big-o - log(n) grows at a slower rate than sqrt(n),
     therefore, n*log(n) will also grow at a slower rate than n*sqrt(n)
 f) theta - both grow at exponential rate of n
 g) big-o - 2^n grows at a slower rate than 2^n(n+1)
 h) big-o - 2^n grows at a slower rate than 2^2
 i) big-o - 2<sup>n</sup> grows at a slower rate than n!
 j) big-o - log(n) grows at a slower rate than sqrt(n)
3)
 a)
  // Breaks all values into n/2 min and max
  // then gets min of all mins,
  // then gets max of all maxs,
  // returns min and max
  MIN MAX(A)
   min = A[A.length-1], max = A[A.length-1]
   mins = [], maxs = []
   // deal with odd input length (1)
   if A.length is odd
     len = A.length - 1
   else
    len = A.length
   // sort into mins and maxs (n/2)
   for i=0 to len step 2
     if A[i] > A[i+1]
      add A[i+1] to mins
      add A[i] to maxs
     else
      add A[i] to mins
      add A[i+1] to maxs
   // get min from mins
   for i=0 to mins.length (n/2)
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if mins[i] < min
      min = mins[i]
   // get max from maxs (n/2)
   for i=0 to max.length
    if maxs[i] > max
      max = maxs[i]
   return (min, max)
 b)
  sort mins and max = n/2 comparisons
  get min from mins = n/2 comparisons
  get max from maxs = n/2 comparisons
  total = 3(n/2) comparisons = 1.5n comparisons
 c)
  L=[9,3,5,10,1,7,12] #n=7
  # 0 compares, 0 total
  min=12, max=12
  mins=[], maxs=[]
  # 1 compare, 1 total
  len=6
  # first loop -> 3 compares, 4 total
  i=0, mins=[3], maxs=[9]
  i=2, mins=[3,5], maxs=[9,10]
  i=4, mins=[3,5,1] maxs=[9,10,7]
  # second loop -> 3 compares, 7 total
  i=0, min=3
  i=1, min=3
  i=2, min=1
  # third loop -> 3 compares, 10 total
  i=0, min=12
  i=1, min=12
  i=2, min=12
  # 0 compares, total 10 -> total(10) / n(7) = 1.42n
  return min, max #1,12
4)
  To prove: if f1(n) = O(g(n)) and f2(n) = O(g(n)) then f1(n) = theta(f2(n))
  1. By definition, f1(n) = O(g(n)) implies there exists some positive
  constants c1 and n0 such that 0 \le f1(n) \le c1*g(n) for all n \ge n0.
  2. Similarly, f_2(n) = O(g(n)) implies there is some positive constants c2
  and n1 such that 0 \le f2(n) \le c2*g(n) for all n \ge n1.
  3. By definition f1(n) = theta(f2(n)) implies there exists some constants
  c3,c4, and n2 such that 0 \le c3*f2(g(n)) \le f1(g(n)) \le c4*f2(g(n))
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for all $n \ge n2$.

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By counter example, let f1(n) = n, f2(n) = n^2, and g(n) = n^2.
  f1(n) =
  O(n^2) holds true,
  f2(n) = O(n^2) holds true,
  f1(n) = theta(n^2) does not hold true therefore the implication is false.
 b)
  if f1(n) = O(g1(n)) and f2(n) = O(g2(n)) then f1(n) + f2(n) = O(max\{g1(n), g2(n)\})
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  and n1 such that 0 \le f2(n) \le c2*g2(n) for all n \ge n1.
  In the case g1(n) \ge g2(n), then:
  c2*g2(n) \le c1*g1(n) for all n \ge n0 and all n \ge n1.
  This implies g2(n) = O(g1(n)), and f1(n) + f2(n) = O(g1(n)) holds true.
  In the case g2(n) \ge g1(n), then:
  c1*g1(n) \le c2*g2(n) for all n \ge n0 and all n \ge n1.
  This implies g1(n) = O(g2(n)), and f1(n) + f2(n) = O(g2(n)) holds true.
  Since both cases of f1(n) + f2(n) = O(max\{g1(n), g2(n)\}) hold true,
  the hypothesis is correct.
5)
 a) see q5.py (mergeSort,insertionSort)
 b) see q5.py (main,test)
 c) see q5.xlsx (Average Case). I think the combined graph better represents
   the data on a grander scale/if comparing which algorithm is more efficient.
 d) nlgn best represents the runtime of mergeSort
   n^2 best represents the runtime of insertionSort
   see q5.xlsx for equations of trend.
 e) they ran fairly accurately, with R^2 being 0.99 in both cases. The graph trend
   lines look fairly close to what they should be.
 extra) see q5.xlxs (worse case/best case).
      Worst case:
       insertionSort = n^2
       mergeSort = nlgn
       I think the comparison graph best displays the data, as it
       shows the large difference in growth
      Best Case:
       insertionSort = n
       mergeSort = nlgn
       I think the comparison graph best displays the data, as it
       shows the large difference in growth
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