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## Abstract

This is a short report of Exercises 6 and 7 in Assignment 4 in the course 1DV507 – Programming and Data Structures. The task of exercise 6 is to find how many strings can be concatenated using "+" and append using string builder in one second, and what is the difference between short string and long string. The task of exercise 7 is to find how many integers and strings can be sorted in 1 second when using: a) insertion sort b) merge sort.

# 1 Exercises

The task of exercise 6 is to find how many strings can be concatenation using "+" and append using string builder in one second, and what is difference in time between short string and long string. The task of exercise 7 is to find how many integers and strings can be sorted in 1 second when using: a) insertion sort b) merge sort. The method of insertion sort and merge sort are defined in assignment 3.

## 2 Experimental Setup

All experiments was done on a MacBook Pro with an Intel Core i5 processor (2.3GHz) with 8GB of memory. We used JavaSE-1.8 and during the experiments we also allowed the Java Virtual Machine to use a heap space of 4GB using the VM arguments: -Xmx4096m -Xms4096m. Furthermore, we closed all other applications while performing the experiments and made sure that neither input data generation nor print-outs was done during the time measurements. We used the clock `System.currentTimeMillis()` in all our measurements.

We used the same approach in all experiments. Each time measurement is an average of 10 consecutive runs (i.e., sorting an array or a list) and we always make sure to generate our input data (random arrays/lists) before the time measurements start.

## 3 String Concatenation

Short concatenation

	times	length
Execute 1	40253	40253
Execute 2	43574	43574
Execute 3	44078	44078
Execute 4	41085	41085
Execute 5	44115	44115

Long concatenation

	times	length
Execute 1	5916	473280
Execute 2	5944	475520
Execute 3	5966	477280
Execute 4	5383	430640
Execute 5	5730	458400

Short append

	times	length
Execute 1	31068707	31068707
Execute 2	31757842	31757842

Execute 3	30206849	30206849
Execute 4	29080799	29080799
Execute 5	29491905	29491905

Long concatenation

	times	length
Execute 1	3441603	275328240
Execute 2	4061225	324898000
Execute 3	3798701	303896080
Execute 4	3944985	315598800
Execute 5	3415591	273247280

Average

	times	length
Short concatenation	42621	42621
Long concatenation	5787	463024
Short append	30321220	30321220
Long append	3732421	298593296

String builder is faster, since in java the length of java is unchangeable. Whenever using “+” to concatenate string, a new string object will be made by adding the old string and new string. The old string will be deleted by garbage collector.

On the other hand, string builder is changeable, therefore adding a new string will directly adding into the string builder. The only extra word for string builder is converting it to string.

## 4 Sort

Insertion sort int array

Size = 98733 ==> Time = 1.001,

Size = 97411 ==> Time = 0.982,

Size = 97216 ==> Time = 1.009,

Size = 96106 ==> Time = 0.99,

Size = 99203 ==> Time = 1.012

Average

Size = 97733 ==> Time = 0.998

Insertion sort string array

Size = 16875==> Time = 0.976,

Size = 15198 ==> Time = 1.02,

Size = 16666 ==> Time = 0.989,

Size = 15399 ==> Time = 0.975,

Size = 16881 ==> Time = 1.017,

Average

Size = 16203 ==> Time = 0.995

Merge sort int array

Size = 7014082==> Time = 0.989,

Size = 6568290 ==> Time = 1.002,

Size = 7014082 ==> Time = 1.014,

Size = 7592313 ==> Time = 1.021,

Size = 6568290 ==> Time = 0.978,

Average

Size = 6951411 ==> Time = 1.0

Merge sort int array

Size = 1872526 ==> Time = 0.98,

Size = 1946160 ==> Time = 1.024,

Size = 1753519 ==> Time = 0.997,

Size = 1872526 ==> Time = 1.016,

Size = 1642072==> Time = 0.989,

Average

Size = 1817360 ==> Time = 1.0