Lab. 7 Efficient Array Sorting

1. Read Lists from files

Read a file with several numbers, one per line, into a list of numbers (a vector). Use the following signature

def read_list_from_file (fname):

that should return a list of numbers.

Test your code with files "**dados_X.txt**", for different values of X, available in the web site, to yield the corresponding lists **L_X**.

2. Adapt Merge Sort

Adapt the implementation of Merge Sort presented in the slides of class 7, with a function with signature

```
def merge_sort_info(L, inc):
```

that includes an extra **True / False** Boolean parameter **inc**, specifying whether the sorting of list V is done in **increasing / decreasing** order, respectively.

The function returns a triple (**S**, **nc**, **tm**), where

- **S** is the sorted list, and
- **nc** is the number of comparisons made (e.g. when merging two sorted lists)
- **tm** is the process time (Note: use **process_time()** function from module **time**)

Check the correctness of your implementation with lists L_x.

3. Adapt Quick Sort

Adapt the implementation of Quick Sort presented in the slides of class 7, with a function with signature

```
def quick_sort_info(L, inc):
```

that includes an extra **True / False** Boolean parameter **inc**, specifying whether the sorting of list V is done in **increasing / decreasing** order, respectively.

The function returns a quadruple (S, nb, ns, tm), where

- **S** is the sorted list, and
- **nc** is the number of comparisons made, and
- **ns** is the number of swaps made while partitioning the list.
- **tm** is the process time (Note: use **process_time()** function from module **time**)

Check the correctness of your implementation with lists L_x.copy().

4. Assess efficiency of Quick Sort and Merge Sort

Check the efficiency (and correctness) of your implementation of the previous functions

- a. For large lists (L_1000, L_10000 and L_100000);
- b. When the input lists are already sorted either in increasing or decreasing order.

5. Graphics

Specify a function with signature

def draw_complexity(n, xlin, ylin):

to draw a graph allowing the comparison of complexities O(n), $O(log(n), o(n^2)$ and O(n log(n)), where

- **n** defines the range of **x** values (note: from 1 to n); and
- xlin, ylin are Booleans that specify whether the axes use a linear or logarithmic scale.

Hint: Use commands **xscale('linear')/yscale('linear')** or **yxscale('log')/yscale('log')** from library **mathplotlib.pyplot** to specify the type of scales to be used in the **x** and **y** axes.