



Enhancement of Classical Shell-Sort Algorithm Performance by Tuning in Partition Number based on Number of Input Data

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Abstract

To enhance the performance of shell-sort algorithm that has the best performance experimentally compared to other four classical sorting algorithms can be accomplished by adjusting the partition number as a tune in parameter based on the number of input data to be sorted.

Keywords

shell-sort algorithm, algorithm performance, tune in parameter, partition number, sorting algorithm comparison

Introduction

Sorting algorithm is still open to be discussed. The comparison among the classical sorting algorithms is always interesting to be analyzed. Some of them still can be tuned in their algorithm performance to be enhanced. The specification and the CPU utilization of machine used in the experiment in this paper can be seen in Figure-1 and 2 respectively.

There are many researchers presenting their paper related to the sorting algorithm comparison and the combination of two or more algorithms to enhance their performance. Chadha, A.R. et.al. proposed ARC Sort which has better performance compared to selection, insertion and bubble aborting algorithms by reducing the number of unnecessary comparison and swaps through the use of 2 dimensional arrays [1]. Alyasseri, Z.A.A. et.al. proposed the use of message passing interface (MPI) to enhance the parallelize bubble and merge sort algorithms that depend on the data structure approach [2]. Mohammed, A.S. et.al. proposed bidirectional conditional insertion sort (BCIS) which has better performance compared to the classical insertion sort and even compared to quicksort [3]. Abhay, G. et.al. proposed a method to combine two string algorithms, the bucket and shell sort algorithms in a way taking the advantage of strength of each to improve overall performance [4]. Fitro, A. compared three data sorting algorithm, insertion sort, quick sort and merge sort with random data to be sorted ranging from 1000 to 20,000 and showing that the insertion sort is better than the others and the merge sort is the worst among them by using MathLab programming language [5]. Alnihoud, J. & Mansi, R. proposed two new enhancement sorting algorithms, the selection sort and bubble sort by reducing the number of swaps and consequently reducing time of execution [6]. Wang, Z. et.al. accomplished an experimental study of an optimization and analysis of a large scale data sorting algorithm based on Hadoop by using more than two rounds of MapReduce [7]. Markina, M. & Buzdalov, M combined merge-sort and insertion sort or combine the divide-and-conquer algorithm and the best order sort algorithm applied to non-dominated sorting and compared to the original algorithms for large numbers data showing the performance better at least 20% [8]. Chen, F. et.al. developed an efficient sorting algorithm namely as ultimate heapsort (UHS) which has two parts, building and adjusting heaps. Through the asymptotic analysis and experimental analysis, time complexity of the algorithm can reach $n \cdot \log(n)$ and space complexity is only $O(1)$ and showing superiority to all previous algorithms [9]. Shirazi, S.M & Bagheri, A. applied sorting algorithm on finding minimum feedback arc set problem in tournaments or FAST problem by introducing pseudo insertion sort and merge sort algorithms that showed the average number of all backward edges in output

decreased [10]. Olukanmi, P. et.al. presented a useful connection between sorting and clustering that led to a general approach for accelerating sorting algorithms as an effective way to implement the divide-and-conquer strategy. They proposed a simplified one-pass k-means-type algorithm comprising a single iteration of Lloyds standard k-means algorithm and proved the improvement experimentally against the insertion sort, bubble sort and selection sort [11]. Durrani, O.K. & Hayan, S.A. implemented popular sorting algorithm using C++, Python and Java languages showing merge sort doing well in Python instead of quick sort, but in Java quicksort still doing well and in C++ all performing as per the verified behaviors. There are the indicated some miss behaviors made by Java and Python implementation results [12].

The special discussion on the sorting algorithm topic, especially on the quick sort algorithm discussed by many researchers, also on another popular sorting algorithm such as selection sort and a new technique. Roychoudhury, J. & Yadav, J. proposed efficient algorithms for sorting in trees by improving the lower and upper bounds on partially ordered sets [13]. Hayfron-Acquah, J.B & Riverson, K. proposed an improved selection sort algorithm by taking the distinct values in the dataset into consideration instead of solely based on the size of the list, especially when there are redundancies in the list [14]. Juge, V. presented a new sorting algorithm, called adaptive ShiversSort, that exploits the existence of monotonic runs for sorting efficiently partially sorted data as the variant of well-known algorithm the TimSort or k-aware merge-sort algorithm [15]. Singh, N.K. & Chakraborty, S. proposed a smart sort as a robust version of quick sort algorithm by doing fusion of heap construction procedures of heap sort algorithm into the conventional partition function of quick sort algorithm [16]. Jha, S.K. revisited the calculation of moments of number of comparisons used by the randomized quick sort algorithm helping in calculating these quantities with less computation [17]. Fasha, M. presented a comparison for the performance of sequential sorting algorithms under four different modes of execution, the sequential processing mode, a conventional multi-threading implementation and multi-threading with OpenMP Library as parallel computation on a supercomputer. The quick sort algorithm was selected to run the experiments performed by this effort [18]. Wang, D. proposed an efficient implementation of the quick sort algorithm based on java multi-thread technology for multi-core computer systems. On dual-core CPU performance of the implementation increased by about 40% and better performance on the more core of computer [19]. Pathak, N. & Tiwari, S. presented the work on the selection sorting technique for double ended selection sort, that programmatically analysis show performance enhancement due to the selection of the minimum and maximum elements accomplished simultaneously [20].

Methods

The method of this paper can be divided into three steps. The first step is selection of the best sort algorithm among four classical sort algorithms. The

second step is determining the key factor of the algorithm that can be adjusted as a parameter. The last step is the selection of the optimum parameter implementation based on the key factor. The comparison of four known classical sorting algorithms (insertion, quick, shell and selection sort algorithms) as the starting point of discussion is presented in Figure-4 at the Appendix based on the series of their running time with different numbers of input data by java programming experiment. It seems the shell-sort algorithm is superior compared to other sorting algorithms. Let's look closely at the shell-sort algorithm represented by the coding in the Java programming language as can be seen in Figure-1 below. The partition number p can be chosen to be the key factor that can be adjusted based on the number of input data.

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static void shell (int [] a, int p) {  
    int in, out, h=1;  
    while (h <= a.length /p) h=h*p+1;  
    while (h>0) {  
    for (out=h; out < a.length; out++) {  
        int t=a[out]; in=out;  
        while (in > h-1 && a[in-h]>=t) {  
            a[in]=a[in-h]; in-=h;  
        }//end of while  
        a[in]=t;  
    }//end of for  
        h=(h-1)/p;  
    }//end of while  
    }//end of shell sort procedure  
    //p=partition number
```

Figure-1. The code portion of shell-sort algorithm in java coding with partition number as one of two parameters as key factor

To have the optimal value of the partition number, the partition number as a variable can be adjusted and the running time of execution can be displayed along with the variation numbers of input data. Based on the result of experiments with a series of random data as the input, the best performance of the execution which has the lowest running time of execution then the partition number value can be selected as the optimum one as discussed more detail in the results and discussion below.

Results and discussion

As already mentioned above, a series of experiments is conducted with the result showing that the optimal partition number depends on the number of random data to be sorted accordingly. The performance of shell-sort based on the tune in the number of partitions with various numbers of data can be observed in three

clusters as represented by three tables at the Appendix. Table-1 as the representation of the low number of input data, table-2 as the representation of the medium number of input data and table-3 as the representation of the high number of input data.

The value of partition number 5 looks superior compared to the value of partition number 4 and 6 in the case of a low number of input data (see the first column and last row of table-1). The value of partition number 4 looks superior compared to the value of partition number 5 and 6 in the case of medium number of input data (see the first column and last row of table-2). The value of partition number 5 looks superior compared to the value of partition number 4 and 6 in the case of a high number of input data (see the first column and last row of table-3).

Conclusion

The performance of the shell-sort algorithm still can be enhanced by tuning in the partition number parameter in it based on the number of input data to be sorted. From the majority point of view in the case of number of input data, it is looked like the value of partition number 5 is the optimum one based on the experimental result.

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Appendix

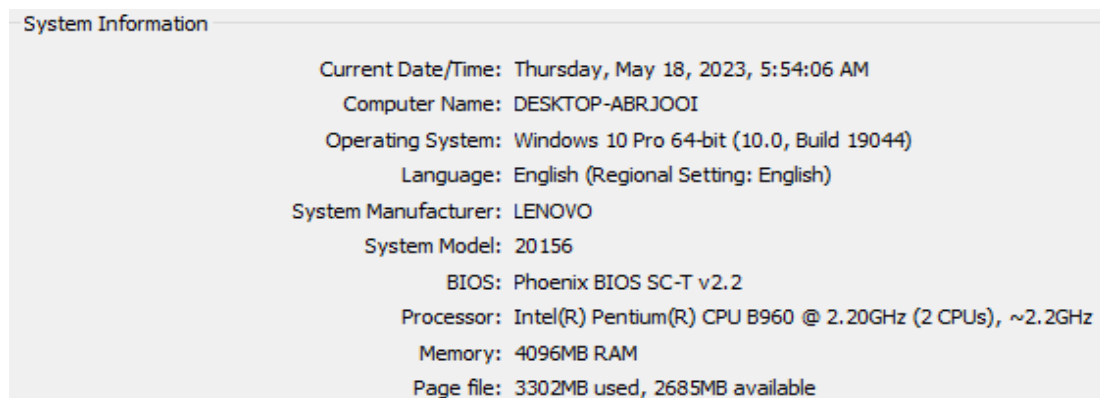


Figure-2. The specification of CPU used in experiment

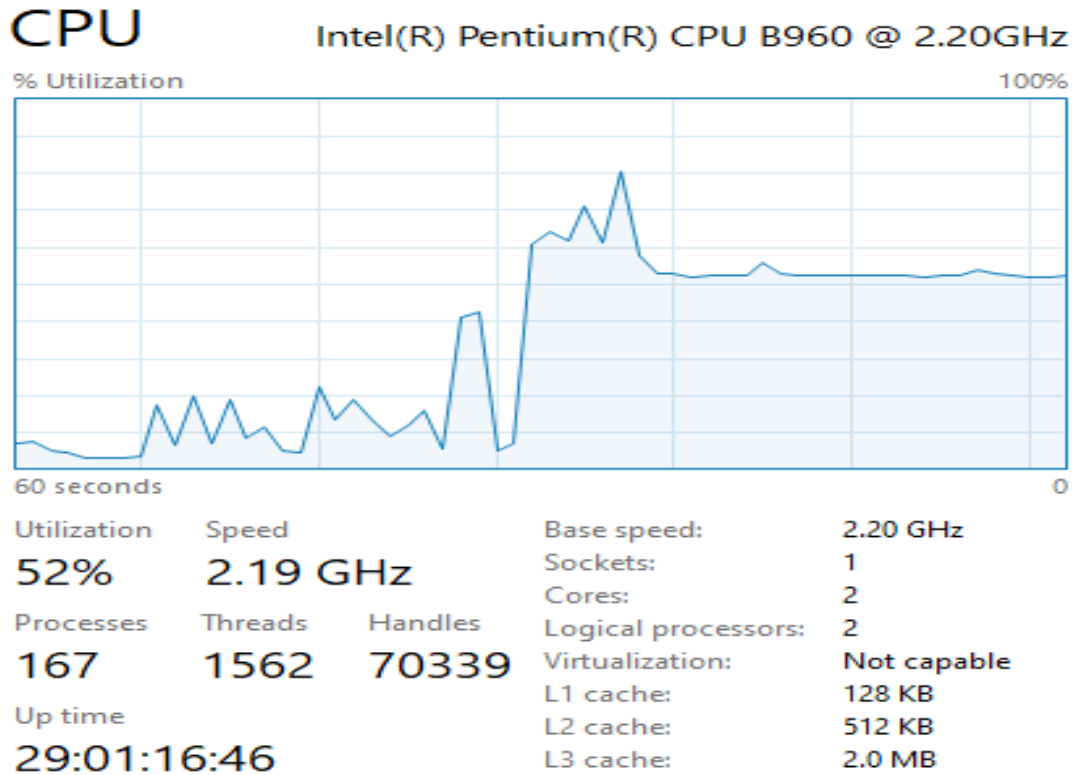


Figure-3. The CPU utilization transition before and during sorting execution at 9 million number of data

COMPARISON OF TIME SORTING: 1000 TO 12000 RANDOM DATA BY 4 CLASSICAL SORTING ALGORITHM (*)

InsSrt(1000):1463 micros === QckSrt(1000):815 micros === ShlSrt(1000):475 micros === SelSrt(1000):358 micros Sorting 1000 random data	InsSrt(2000):2893 micros === QckSrt(2000):2278 micros === ShlSrt(2000):752 micros === SelSrt(2000):1409 micros Sorting 2000 random data	InsSrt(3000):5435 micros === QckSrt(3000):4513 micros === ShlSrt(3000):973 micros === SelSrt(3000):3429 micros Sorting 3000 random data
InsSrt(4000):8533 micros === QckSrt(4000):8289 micros === ShlSrt(4000):1301 micros === SelSrt(4000):5656 micros Sorting 4000 random data	InsSrt(5000):12597 micros === QckSrt(5000):12578 micros === ShlSrt(5000):1421 micros === SelSrt(5000):9102 micros Sorting 5000 random data	InsSrt(6000):17887 micros === QckSrt(6000):17680 micros === ShlSrt(6000):3566 micros === SelSrt(6000):12869 micros Sorting 6000 random data
InsSrt(7000):24134 micros === QckSrt(7000):23762 micros === ShlSrt(7000):2029 micros === SelSrt(7000):18053 micros Sorting 7000 random data	InsSrt(8000):31296 micros === QckSrt(8000):34073 micros === ShlSrt(8000):2251 micros === SelSrt(8000):23871 micros Sorting 8000 random data	InsSrt(9000):38864 micros === QckSrt(9000):39624 micros === ShlSrt(9000):2612 micros === SelSrt(9000):28309 micros Sorting 9000 random data
InsSrt(10000):48405 micros === QckSrt(10000):48696 micros === ShlSrt(10000):3312 micros === SelSrt(10000):35326 micros Sorting 10000 random data	InsSrt(11000):58171 micros === QckSrt(11000):56904 micros === ShlSrt(11000):3470 micros === SelSrt(11000):42428 micros Sorting 11000 random data	InsSrt(12000):69987 micros === QckSrt(12000):68659 micros === ShlSrt(12000):3886 micros === SelSrt(12000):50529 micros Sorting 12000 random data

(*) Insertion, Quick, Shell and Selection sort algorithms (Processor: Intel® Pentium® CPU B960 Duo-core-2.20 GHz)

Figure-4. The performance comparison of four classical sorting algorithm based on running time for various number of input data

Table-1. Performance comparison of shell-sort algorithm in various partition number values based on the number of random data to be sorted with the range of 400 to 3000 (for the optimum partition number see the bold one and for the summary see the last row)

partition=2->T(400):315 microSpartition=3->T(400):307 microSpartition=4->T(400):35 microSpartition=5->T(400):34 microSpartition=6->T(400):35 microSpartition=7->T(400):32 microSpartition=8->T(400):35 microSpartition=9->T(400):33 microSpartition=10->T(400):33 <u>microSpartition=15->T(400):37</u> microSpartition=20->T(400):39 microS	partition=2->T(400):312 microSpartition=3->T(400):314 microSpartition=4->T(400):36 microSpartition=5->T(400):35 microSpartition=6->T(400):34 microSpartition=7->T(400):33 microSpartition=8->T(400):32 microSpartition=9->T(400):34 microSpartition=10->T(400):34 <u>microSpartition=15->T(400):36</u> microSpartition=20->T(400):39 microS	partition=2->T(400):563 microSpartition=3->T(400):371 microSpartition=4->T(400):37 microSpartition=5->T(400):120 microSpartition=6->T(400):35 microSpartition=7->T(400):33 microSpartition=8->T(400):34 microSpartition=9->T(400):32 microSpartition=10->T(400):34 <u>microSpartition=15->T(400):39</u> microSpartition=20->T(400):42 microS
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Table-2. Performance comparison of shell-sort algorithm in various partition number values based on the number of random data to be sorted with the range of 6000 to 100.000 (for the optimum partition number see the bold one and for the summary see the last row)

partition=2->T(6000):2366 microS	partition=2->T(6000):2398 microS	partition=2->T(6000):2467 microS
partition=3->T(6000):2433 microS	partition=3->T(6000):5028 microS	partition=3->T(6000):2248 microS
partition=4->T(6000):826 microS	partition=4->T(6000):925 microS	partition=4->T(6000):830 microS
partition=5->T(6000):841 microS	partition=5->T(6000):800 microS	partition=5->T(6000):893 microS
partition=6->T(6000):817 microS	partition=6->T(6000):810 microS	partition=6->T(6000):803 microS
partition=7->T(6000):842 microS	partition=7->T(6000):881 microS	partition=7->T(6000):853 microS
partition=8->T(6000):1105 microS	partition=8->T(6000):825 microS	partition=8->T(6000):842 microS
partition=9->T(6000):907 microS	partition=9->T(6000):850 microS	partition=9->T(6000):915 microS
partition=10->T(6000):981 microS	partition=10->T(6000):895 microS	partition=10->T(6000):915 microS
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partition=8->T(100000):24052 micro	partition=8->T(100000):44122 micro	partition=8->T(100000):29634 microS
partition=9->T(100000):25995 micro	partition=9->T(100000):34648 micro	partition=9->T(100000):24684 microS
partition=10->T(100000):26684 mico	partition=10->T(100000):28139 micr	partition=10->T(100000):26266 micro
Partition=3 ->1 Partition=4 ->6 Partition=5 ->3 Partition=6 ->5	100000 25000(3),50000(1),100000(2) 6000,10000 6000(2),10000(2),50000(2)	6000 ->5,6,6 -> 800 (@0.1333) 10000 ->5,6,6 -> 1464 (@0.1464) 25000 ->4,4,4 -> 4319 (@0.1728) 50000 ->4,5,6 -> 10079 (@0,2016) 100000->3,4,4-> 22962 (@0.2296)

Table-3. Performance comparison of shell-sort algorithm in various partition number values based on the number of random data to be sorted with the range of 1 to 15 million (for the optimum see the bold one and for the summary see the last row)

partition=2->T(1000000):371 milliS	partition=2->T(2000000):896 milliS	partition=2->T(3000000):1426 milliS
partition=3->T(1000000):343 milliS	partition=3->T(2000000):763 milliS	partition=3->T(3000000):1220 milliS
partition=4->T(1000000):303 milliS	partition=4->T(2000000):706 milliS	partition=4->T(3000000):1103 milli
partition=5->T(1000000):295 milli	partition=5->T(2000000):695 milli	partition=5->T(3000000):1138 milliS
partition=6->T(1000000):319 milliS	partition=6->T(2000000):737 milliS	partition=6->T(3000000):1175 milliS
partition=7->T(1000000):312 milliS	partition=7->T(2000000):791 milliS	partition=7->T(3000000):1248 milliS
partition=8->T(1000000):352 milliS	partition=8->T(2000000):834 milliS	partition=8->T(3000000):1369 milliS
partition=9->T(1000000):388 milliS	partition=9->T(2000000):877 milliS	partition=9->T(3000000):1432 milliS
partition=10->T(1000000):373 milliS	partition=10->T(2000000):884 milliS	partition=10->T(3000000):1644 milli

partition=2->T(4000000):2062 milliS	partition=2->T(5000000):2376 milliS	partition=2->T(6000000):2890 milliS
partition=3->T(4000000):1717 milliS	partition=3->T(5000000):1909 milli	partition=3->T(6000000):2425 milli
partition=4->T(4000000):1634 milliS	partition=4->T(5000000):2052 milliS	partition=4->T(6000000):2597 milliS
partition=5->T(4000000):1593 milli	partition=5->T(5000000):2047 milliS	partition=5->T(6000000):2724 milliS
partition=6->T(4000000):1737 milliS	partition=6->T(5000000):2313 milliS	partition=6->T(6000000):2784 milliS
partition=7->T(4000000):1901 milliS	partition=7->T(5000000):2334 milliS	partition=7->T(6000000):2931 milliS
partition=8->T(4000000):1860 milliS	partition=8->T(5000000):2666 milliS	partition=8->T(6000000):3206 milliS
partition=9->T(4000000):2048 milliS	partition=9->T(5000000):2698 milliS	partition=9->T(6000000):3734 milliS
partition=10->T(4000000):2164 mill	partition=10->T(5000000):2813 milli	partition=10->T(6000000):3525 milli
partition=2->T(7000000):3970 milliS	partition=2->T(8000000):4687 milliS	partition=2->T(9000000):5756 milliS
partition=3->T(7000000):3223 milliS	partition=3->T(8000000):4014 milli	partition=3->T(9000000):3940 milli
partition=4->T(7000000):3069 milli	partition=4->T(8000000):4116 milliS	partition=4->T(9000000):4182 milliS
partition=5->T(7000000):3196 milliS	partition=5->T(8000000):3827 milliS	partition=5->T(9000000):4024 milliS
partition=6->T(7000000):3361 milliS	partition=6->T(8000000):4004 milliS	partition=6->T(9000000):4577 milliS
partition=7->T(7000000):3620 milliS	partition=7->T(8000000):4153 milliS	partition=7->T(9000000):4700 milliS
partition=8->T(7000000):4352 milliS	partition=8->T(8000000):5136 milliS	partition=8->T(9000000):5702 milliS
partition=9->T(7000000):4533 milliS	partition=9->T(8000000):4977 milliS	partition=9->T(9000000):5237 milliS
partition=10->T(7000000):4567 mill	partition=10->T(8000000):5673 milli	partition=10->T(9000000):6279 milli
partition=2->T(10000000):6312 mill	partition=2->T(11000000):7242 milli	partition=2->T(12000000):8091 milli
partition=3->T(10000000):4724 mil	partition=3->T(11000000):6055 milli	partition=3->T(12000000):6358 milli
partition=4->T(10000000):5121 mill	partition=4->T(11000000):5306 mil	partition=4->T(12000000):6080 milli
partition=5->T(10000000):4853 mill	partition=5->T(11000000):5769 milli	partition=5->T(12000000):6043 mill
partition=6->T(10000000):5430 mill	partition=6->T(11000000):5841 milli	partition=6->T(12000000):6726 milli
partition=7->T(10000000):5895 mill	partition=7->T(11000000):6287 milli	partition=7->T(12000000):7133 milli
partition=8->T(10000000):6364 mill	partition=8->T(11000000):8120 milli	partition=8->T(12000000):8513 milli
partition=9->T(10000000):6530 mill	partition=9->T(11000000):7439 milli	partition=9->T(12000000):9013 milli
partition=10->T(10000000):7729 mi	partition=10->T(11000000):7978 mil	partition=10->T(12000000):8794 mil

partition=2->T(13000000):7575 mill	partition=2->T(14000000):8212 milli	partition=2->T(15000000):9381 milli
partition=3->T(13000000):7211 mill	partition=3->T(14000000):6726 mil	partition=3->T(15000000):8332 milli
partition=4->T(13000000):6533 mil	partition=4->T(14000000):7238 milli	partition=4->T(15000000):8067 milli
partition=5->T(13000000):6600 mill	partition=5->T(14000000):8355 milli	partition=5->T(15000000):7966 mill
partition=6->T(13000000):7000 mill	partition=6->T(14000000):7926 milli	partition=6->T(15000000):8405 milli
partition=7->T(13000000):8109 mill	partition=7->T(14000000):8709 milli	partition=7->T(15000000):8988 milli
partition=8->T(13000000):9478 mill	partition=8->T(14000000):9108 milli	partition=8->T(15000000):11952 mil
partition=9->T(13000000):8717 mill	partition=9->T(14000000):10552 mil	partition=9->T(15000000):11021 mil
partition=10->T(13000000):9791 m	partition=10>T(14000000):10964 mi	partition=10>T(15000000):11530 mi
Partition=3->5 Partition=4->4 Partition=5->6	5M,6M,9M,10M,14M 3M,7M,11M,13M 1M,2M,4M,8M,12M,15M	1M->0.295S(@0.29); 8M->3.83S(@0.478) 2M->0.60S(@0.298); 9M->3.94S(@0.438) 3M->1.10S(@0.37); 10M->4.72S(@0.472) 4M->1.593S(@0.4); 11M->5.30S(@0.487) 5M->1.91S(@0.382); 12M->6.04S(@0.50) 6M->2.43S(@0.404); 13M->6.53S(@0.50) 7M->3.07S(@0.438); 14M->6.73S(@0.48) 15M->7.97S(@0.53)