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## Divide and Conquer Algorithms: Merge Sort January, 2018

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MERGESORT (A, p, r)
1  if p < r
2    q = ⌊(p+r)/2⌋
3    MERGESORT(A, p, q)
4    MERGESORT(A, q+1, r)
5    MERGE(A, p, q, r)

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Annotations:   
 - Line 2: divide   
 - Lines 3-4: conquer   
 - Line 5: combine

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MERGE (A, p, q, r)
1  n1 = q - p + 1
2  n2 = r - q
3  Create two new temporary arrays L1[1... (n1 + 1)] and L2[1... (n2 + 1)]
4  L1[1... n1] := A[p... q]
5  L2[1... n2] := A[(q + 1)... r]
6  L1[n1 + 1] = ∞
7  L2[n2 + 1] = ∞
8  i = 1
9  j = 1
10 for k = p to r
11   if L1[i] ≤ L2[j]
12     A[k] = L1[i]
13     i = i + 1
14   else
15     A[k] = L2[j]
16     j = j + 1

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Annotations:   
 - Line 1: 1 time step   
 - Line 2: 1 time step   
 - Line 3: 1 time step   
 - Line 4: ~ n/2 time step   
 - Line 5: ~ n/2 time step   
 - Line 6: 1 time step   
 - Line 7: 1 time step   
 - Line 8: 1 time step   
 - Line 9: 1 time step   
 - Line 10: n times   
 - Lines 11-13: 3-time steps   
 - Lines 14-16: 3 time steps

Total time for merge procedure

$$T_{merge}(n) = 1 + 1 + 1 + \frac{1}{2}n + \frac{1}{2}n + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1$$

$$= 4n + Const$$

$$\Rightarrow T_{merge}(n) = \Theta(n)$$

### Complexity Analysis of Mergesort (Worst case)

$$T(n) = \text{Time for divide} + \text{Time for conquer} + \text{Time for merge}$$

$$= 1 + T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + \Theta(n)$$

$$= 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + cn + 1$$

T(1) = 1 → Base condition

using substitution method,

$$\begin{aligned}
 T(n) &= 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + cn + 1 \\
 &= 2\left[2T\left(\frac{n}{2^2}\right) + c\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + 1\right] + cn + 1 \\
 &= 2^2 T\left(\frac{n}{2^2}\right) + (cn + 2) + (cn + 1) \\
 &= 2^2 \left[2T\left(\frac{n}{2^3}\right) + c\left(\frac{n}{2^3}\right) + 1\right] + (cn + 2) + (cn + 1) \\
 &= 2^3 T\left(\frac{n}{2^3}\right) + (cn + 2^2) + (cn + 2) + (cn + 1) \\
 &= 2^3 T\left(\frac{n}{2^3}\right) + 3cn + 2^2 + 2 + 1 \\
 &\vdots \\
 &= 2^k T\left(\frac{n}{2^k}\right) + kcn + 2^{k-1} + \dots + 2^2 + 2 + 1
 \end{aligned}$$

Put  $\frac{n}{2^k} = 1 \Rightarrow 2^k = n \Rightarrow k = \log_2 n$

$$\Rightarrow T(n) = nT(1) + (\log_2 n)cn + \frac{2^k - 1}{2 - 1}$$

$$\Rightarrow T(n) = nT(1) + cn \log_2 n + (n - 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow T(n) = n + cn \log_2 n + (n - 1)$$

$$= 2n + cn \log_2 n - 1$$

$$\leq \frac{(c+2)n \log_2 n}{c'}$$

$$\Rightarrow T(n) \text{ is } O(n \log_2 n)$$

for  $n \geq 1$ ;  $2n - 1 > 0$

$$\Rightarrow T(n) = cn \log_2 n + (2n - 1) \geq cn \log_2 n$$

$$\Rightarrow T(n) \text{ is } \Omega(n \log_2 n)$$

$T(n) \text{ is } \Theta(n \log_2 n)$