simulation. O(n).

note. if the two sorted lists are represented as finger search trees, with size n and m (wlog assume  $n \le m$ ), can merge in  $O(n \log \frac{m}{n})$  time and get a result list with the same format [1].

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