

## Process of Interviews

Top 1 companies:

1<sup>st</sup> Round → DSA coding Round + MCQ's  
(2 Problems)

[Amazon, Google, Facebook]  
(Easy - Moderate)

2<sup>nd</sup> Round → DSA (Technical Aspects)

↳ Fundamentals

(45 mins) BFS or Merge sort or time complexity  
Interview Questions

↳ Easy → Medium → Hard

↳ Leetcode → Easy + Medium  
Direct Questions

System Design

3<sup>rd</sup> Round → Industry Projects,  
Real time Projects → End to End  
Pipeline.

4<sup>th</sup> Round → Behavioral Round

5<sup>th</sup> Round → HR Round

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▷ Google → Easy → Collinear points

$$\begin{array}{l} (x_1, y_1) = (1, 6) \\ (x_2, y_2) = (1, 0) \\ (x_3, y_3) = (1, 9) \end{array} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \rightarrow P_1 \\ \rightarrow P_2 \\ \rightarrow P_3 \end{array} \right.$$

Collinear → lie on the straight line.  
Like slope?

→ Slope formula

$$\frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} \rightarrow \frac{y_3 - y_2}{x_3 - x_2}$$

$(y_2 - y_1) * (x_3 - x_2)$	$= (x_2 - x_1) * (y_3 - y_2)$
LHS	RHS

∴ If LHS == RHS then collinear.

collinear → Area of triangle = 0

$$\text{Area} = \frac{1}{2} (x_1 * (y_2 - y_3) + x_2 * (y_3 - y_1) + x_3 * (y_1 - y_2))$$

if area == 0:

print('yes')

else:

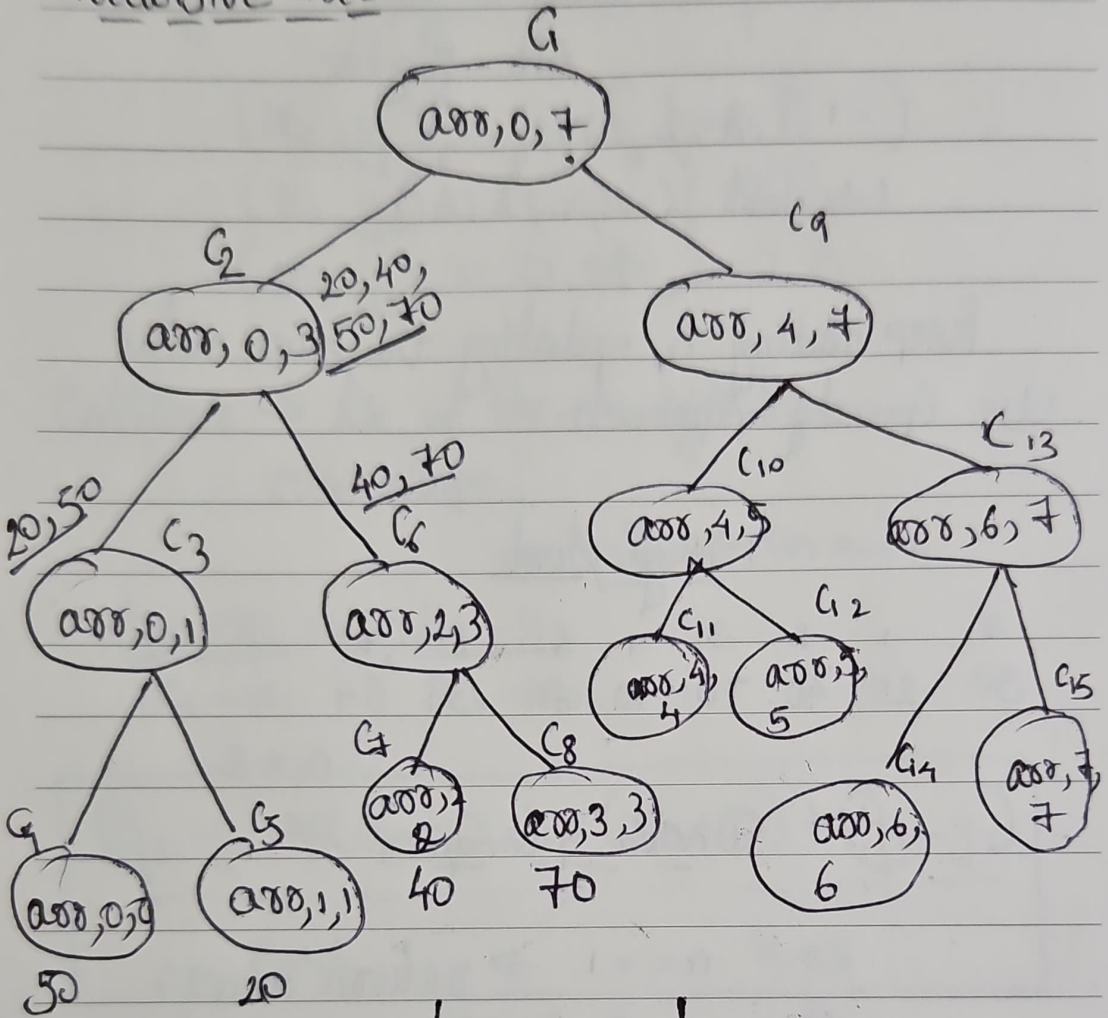
print('no')



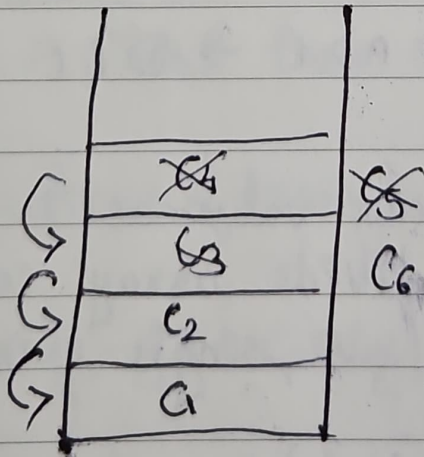


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## Recursive Tree



Stack  
L → RIFO



Merge Procedure → will do combine part

Left Subarray 20, 50  
 $\uparrow \rightarrow \uparrow$   
 $i$   $\rightarrow$  Merge Procedure

20 | 40 | 50 | 70

Right Subarray 40, 70  
 $\uparrow, \uparrow$   
 $i \rightarrow i$

extra array

20, 40  
 50, 40  
 50, 70

Merge Procedure  
 $m \geq 4$   $LS$   $RS$   $n \geq 4$

10 | 20 | 30 | 40 | 11 | 21 | 31 | 41  
 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7  
 $i \rightarrow i \rightarrow i \rightarrow i$   $i \rightarrow i \rightarrow i \rightarrow i$

new extra array  
 10 | 11 | 20 | 21 | 30 | 31 | 40 | 41  
 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7

$k \rightarrow k \rightarrow k \rightarrow k \rightarrow k \rightarrow k \rightarrow k$

Worst case =  $m + n - 1$

no. of comparisons

$LS = m$   $m + n = N$

$RS = n$

10, 11  $\rightarrow$  ①

20, 11  $\rightarrow$  ②

20, 21  $\rightarrow$  ③

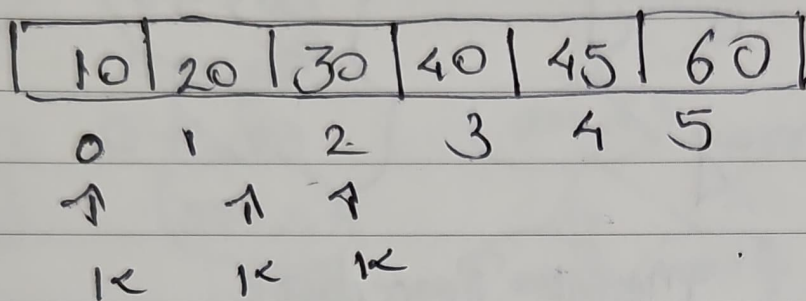
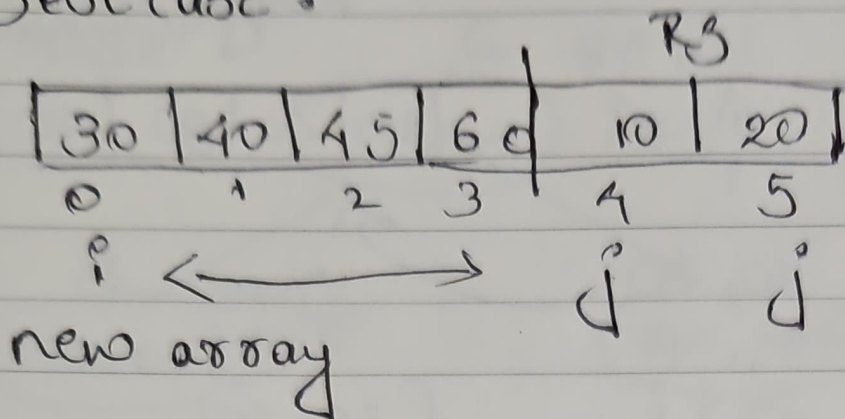
30, 21  $\rightarrow$  ④

30, 31  $\rightarrow$  ⑤

40, 31  $\rightarrow$  ⑥

40, 41  $\rightarrow$  ⑦

Best case :



$$\begin{cases} 30, 10 - \textcircled{1} \\ 30, 20 - \textcircled{2} \end{cases}$$

Best case  $\Rightarrow$  # of comparisons  $\neq$   
 $\min(m, n)$   
 $\min(4, 2) = 2$

# movements  $= m + n$

Time complexity = # of comparisons +  
 # of movements

Worst case

$$\rightarrow (m+n-1) + (m+n)$$

$$\rightarrow O(m+n)$$

$$\rightarrow O(N) \Rightarrow m+n=N$$



Best case  $\rightarrow \min(m, n) + cm + n$   
 $\Rightarrow O(N)$

Pseudocode :-

mergesort(arr, p, q)

Small  $\rightarrow C$  Problem  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{if } p == q : \\ \text{return arr[p]} \end{array} \right.$

Divide  $\rightarrow C$   $\leftarrow \text{mid} = p + (q - p) / 2$

conquer  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{mergesort(arr, p, mid)} \\ \text{mergesort(arr, mid+1, q)} \end{array} \right.$

Combine  $\rightarrow$  mergeProcedure(arr, p, mid, q)

return arr

Recurrence Relation

$$T(N) = \begin{cases} C & ; N=1 \\ 2T(N/2) + N & ; N>1 \end{cases}$$

$$a = 2$$

$$\log_a = \log_2^2 = 1$$

$$b = 2$$

$$K = 1$$

$$\log_a^b = K \text{ case 2}$$

$$p = 0$$

$$p > -1$$

Every case

$$\leftarrow \underline{\underline{O(N \log N)}}$$

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other cases  $\rightarrow O(n^2) \rightarrow$  Sorting  
Merge sort  $\rightarrow O(n \log n)$   
 $\hookrightarrow$  Better.

Space complexity  $\rightarrow$  Outplace sorting  
 $\hookrightarrow$  extra space + stack algo space  
 $\hookrightarrow O(N) \quad \hookrightarrow \log N$   
 $\Rightarrow O(N)$

$\rightarrow$  Stable Algorithm  
 $\hookrightarrow$  Retain pattern with index

Formula  $\rightarrow \text{mid} - i + 1$   
 $\hookrightarrow$  To calculate no. of elements  
in array

$\frac{\text{Higher Index} - \text{Lower Index} + 1}{}$

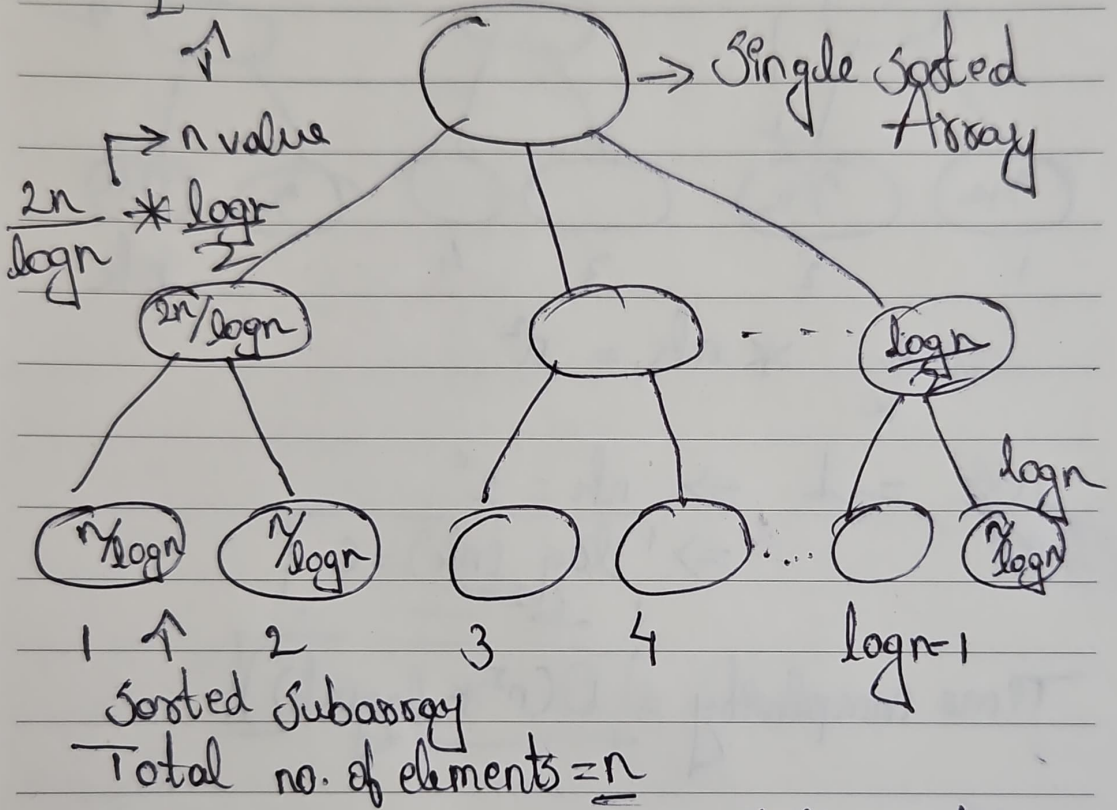
$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow I + (m - i) + 1 \\ &\Rightarrow I - \text{mid} - i + 1 \\ &\Rightarrow \underline{I - \text{mid}} \end{aligned}$$



## Merge Sort Questions:-

1)  $\log n$  sorted subarrays each of size  $n/\log n$   
 $\Rightarrow$  time complexity of single sorted array?

$$\frac{\log n}{2^k} = 1 \rightarrow \text{single sorted array}$$



$$\frac{n}{\log n} * \log n = n \rightarrow \text{Total size of the array}$$

$\downarrow$  size

$\downarrow$  Subarrays

Every level value of  $n$  is same.

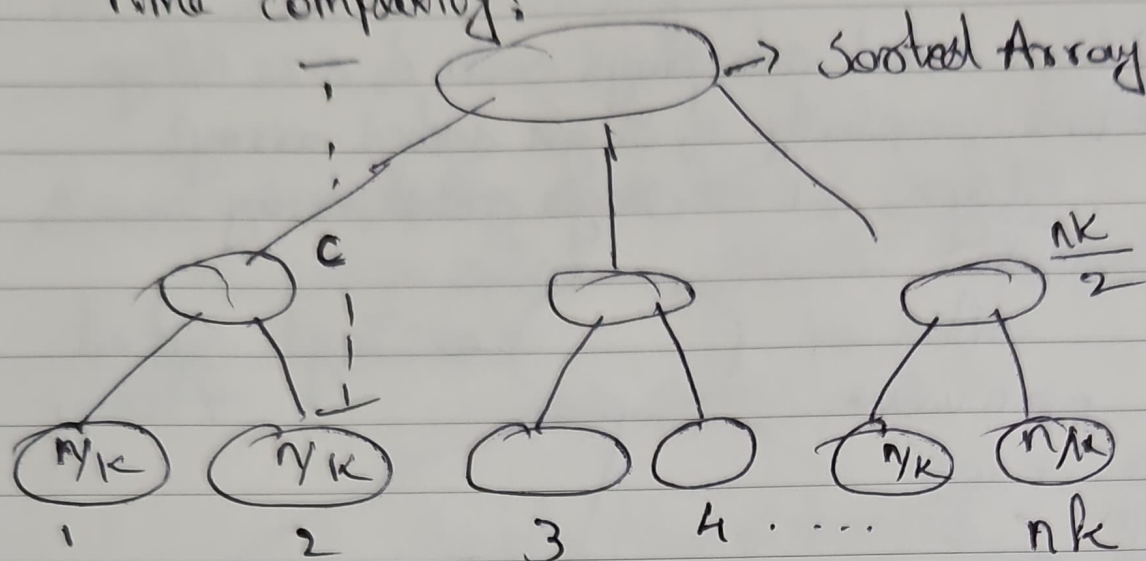
$$\frac{\log n}{2^k} = 1$$

$$\log n = 2^k \Rightarrow k = \log(\log n)$$

$$\text{Time Complexity} = O(n \log(\log n))$$

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2)  $n/k$  sorted subarrays each of size  $n/k$   
Time complexity?



$$\frac{n}{k} * nk = n^2$$

$$\frac{nk}{2^c} = 1 \Rightarrow nk = 2^c$$
$$\Rightarrow \log_2(nk) = c$$

$$\text{Time complexity} = O(n^2 * \log(nk))$$