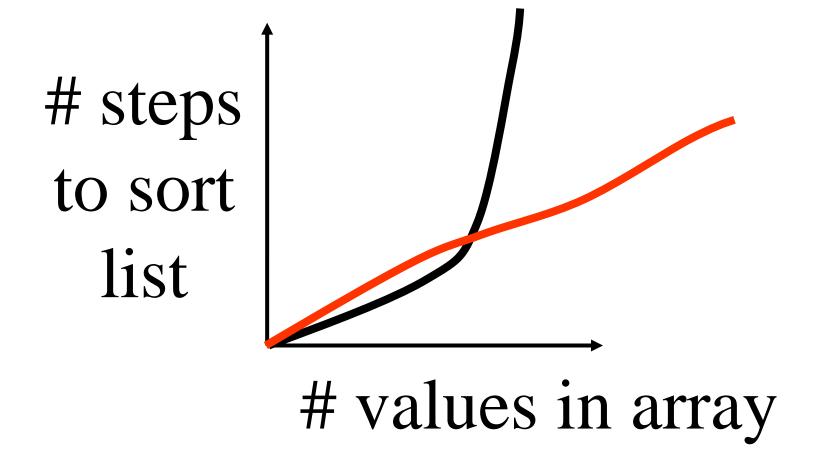
Step Into Java: Merge Sort and More...

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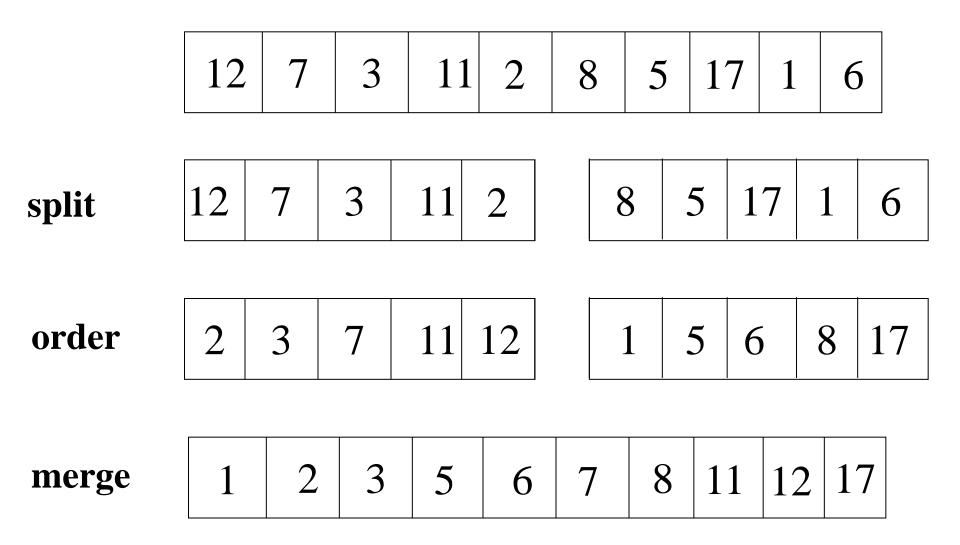
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Merge Sort Pseudo Code

```
void mergeSort(int A[], int first, int last)
// find middle index of A
// sort the first half of A
// sort the second half of A
// merge the first and second halves of A
```

An Example: nonrecursive MergeSort



Pseudo Code for Merge

- A) List A is done, get value from List B
- B) List B is done, get value from List A
- C) Neither is done, if List A[i] < B[k], then get value from List A
- D) Neither is done, if List B[k] <= List A[i] then get value from List B

Recursive MergeSort

Recursive Merge Sort Pseudo Code

void mergeSort(int A[], int first, int last) if(sublist has only one value) do nothing else if(sublist has two values) sort it if necessary else find midpoint of current sublist call mergeSort and process left sublist call mergeSort and process right sublist

merge left and right sublists

12 7 3 11 2 8 5 17 1

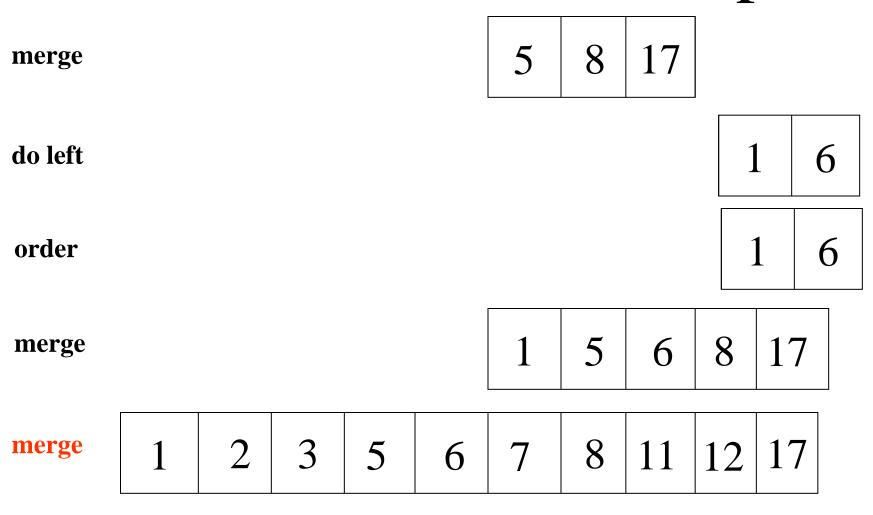
divide

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order	7	12			
do nothing				3	
merge	3	7	12		
do right				1	1 2
order				2	11
merge	2	3	7	11	12

do right	8	5	17	1	6
divide	8	5	17		
divide	8	5			
order	5	8			
do left			17	7	

do nothing



Recursive Merge Sort Solution

(see handout)

Why put things in order?

Consider a sequential search of an unordered array....

How long would it take to find a value?

Consider a sequential search of an ordered array....

How long would it take to find a value?

Split in Half, split in half,

split in half.... Kevork '04

How about a book?

How many steps would it take to find page 81 in your English book?

This is called a binary search...the list MUST be in order.

Order of Recursive Merge...what does the graph look like?

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