1. The idea about doing sorting by merge sort.

First, we divided an array into many subarray, note that our main is to divide the array until all the array become only have one element.

Next step, we are going to merge the divided array, at the same time, we will sorting the array, the way merged the array is that we choose the first element of the two merge array, compare them, then put the smaller one back to the original array, after the element is put back to the original array, we choose the next element in the same array, repeat this step until all the subarray be merge into one.

2. About divide the array, let an array contain n elements divide into n array each contain only one element need to do (n-1) time., so the complexity of merge are equal to (n-1).

About merge the array and sorting at the same time, merge n number into one array, we need n steps, and the n steps merge we need to do logn time, so the complexity of merge are equal to nlogn.

To sum up, sorting an n elements array by merge sort, plus the steps about divide and merge, we need (n-1)+(nlogn) steps to finish the sorting, so the complexity of merge sort equal to nlogn.

3. 50 個 random number 使用 merge sort 做 sorting 後的結果(before & after)(10%)

4. 用文字解釋如何使用程式碼實作 merge sort(實作細節需如同附錄的 pdf 所述)(50%)

First, create a recursive function called MergeSort, this is the main implement function to do the Merge Sort. In my code, I use the method that divide the array from the mid each time, until each array only contain one element, in other word, Incompatible the condition (start<end).

Second, we do the action that merge each one element array into one array, select the element from the start of both Leftchild and Rightchild, each time compare, than choose bigger one put into the merge array, and change the select element to the next element of the child.

The main function, we use random method to create a fifty element array, than call the MergeSort function to do the array merge sorting.