

Lecture 2

- You have reviewed merge sort from the video
- This lecture, we will cover:
 - How to analyze the run time for recursive algorithms
 - How to prove correctness for recursive algorithms using proof by induction

Merge Sort

Algo **MergeSort** (A)

n=length(A)

If n>1

Left=A[0,...,n/2-1]

Right=A[n/2,..., n-1]

Left=MergeSort(Left)

Right=MergeSort(Right)

return(Merge(Left,Right))

Return A

How do we figure out the runtime when we have recursions in the algorithm?

Short answer: we use recursion too!

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

Algo **Merge** (A,B)

i,j,k=0, n=length(A), m=length(B)

merged = array(n+m)

while i ≤ n & j ≤ m

if A[i] < B[j]

merged[k]=A[i]

i=i+1

else

merged[k]=B[j]

j=j+1

k=k+1

if i < n merged[k:end]=A[i:n-1]

if j < m merged[k: end]=B[j:m-1]

return merged

Solve recurrence relation using telescoping

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

Solve recurrence relation using recursion tree

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

What if we break the array into 3 parts?

- Recurrence relation?
- Recursion tree?