

Answer for Q1:

// **A** & **B** are the 2 given n-sized sorted arrays & **C** is the final output array for 2n elements

def **Merge**(A,B,C,n):

 i=n

 j=n

Combine(A,i,B,j,C,n)

// **A** & **B** are the 2 given n-sized sorted arrays & **C** is the final output array for 2n elements

// i & j denotes the pointer to the smallest element of **A** & **B** respectively.

def **Combine**(A,i,B,j,C,n):

 if i==0 and j==0:

 return

 if i>0 and j>0:

 if A[n - i] < B[n - j]:

 C[2*n - i - j] = A [n-i]

Combine(A,i-1,B,j,C,n)

 return

 else:

 C[2*n - i - j] = B[n - j]

Combine(A,i,B,j-1,C,n)

 return

 if i != 0:

 C[2*n - i - j] = A [n-i]

Combine(A,i-1,B,j,C,n)

 return

 if j != 0 :

 C[2*n - i - j] = B[n - j]

Combine(A,i,B,j-1,C,n)

 return

Answer for Q2:

Let the time complexity of **Combine** be **T(i,j)**, where i, j & k denote the index of the arrays **A**, **B** & **C** respectively.

$T(i, j) = T(i - 1, j) \text{ [when } A[i] < B[j]]$

or

$T(i, j - 1) \text{ [when } A[i] > B[j]]$

i >= 0, j >= 0;

Base Case: $T(0, 0) = 1$

The **Combine** function is designed such, that at a time only one element either from array **A** or **B** will be copied to **C**. Hence, in the above recurrence relation, only one of **i** and **j** changes at a time, while the other remains constant.

Since **i** and **j** are moving independently, it's better to solve this problem in terms of the array size. Here

$$\Rightarrow i+j = n + n; \Rightarrow i+j = 2*n;$$

If the array **A** & **B** has n elements each, the merged array **C** will have $n + n = 2n$ elements. The above **Combine** function traverses the two given arrays (each of size n) and copies them to a single sorted array depending upon which element is smaller. Therefore, the **Combine** function will have to traverse $2*n$ elements in total for the entire operation.

Let $2n = m$, $T(m)$ denote the time complexity of the **Combine** function.

Base case: when there are no elements left in either of the array i.e. $T(0) = 1$

Each time an element is traversed in **A** or **B**, the size of the array **C** is decreased until the complete array is filled.

$$T(m) = T(m - 1) + d \quad [\text{where } d \text{ is a constant}]$$

$$T(m - 1) = T(m - 2) + d$$

$$T(m) = T(m - 2) + (d + d)$$

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$$T(m) = T(m - k) + k(d)$$

$$\text{Let } m - k = 0, \Rightarrow m = k$$

$$T(m) = T(0) + m * d \Rightarrow T(m) = 1 + m * d \quad [\text{where } m=2n]$$

$$T(m) = 1 + 2 * m * d$$

$$\text{Let } d' = 2 * d$$

$$T(m) = 1 + n * d'$$

$$T(m) = O(n)$$

Hence complexity of **Combine** function is order of n i.e. **O(n)**, where n is the number of elements in the given arrays.

Let the complexity of the **Merge** function is **M(n)**, where n is the number of elements in the given arrays.

M(n) = 2 + O(n) because the **Merge** function is calling the **Combine** function whose complexity is $O(n)$. So complexity of **Merge** function is $O(n)$