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Merge function of Merge sort



Given two sorted arrays, the task is to merge them in a sorted manner.

Examples:

Input: arr1[] = { 1, 3, 4, 5}, arr2[] = {2, 4, 6, 8}

Output: arr3[] = {1, 2, 3, 4, 4, 5, 6, 8}

Input: arr1[] = { 5, 8, 9}, arr2[] = {4, 7, 8}

Output: arr3[] = {4, 5, 7, 8, 8, 9}

Method 1 ($O(n_1 * n_2)$ Time and $O(n_1+n_2)$ Extra Space)

1. Create an array arr3[] of size $n_1 + n_2$.
2. Copy all n_1 elements of arr1[] to arr3[]
3. Traverse arr2[] and one by one insert elements (like insertion sort) of arr3[] to arr1[]. This step take $O(n_1 * n_2)$ time.

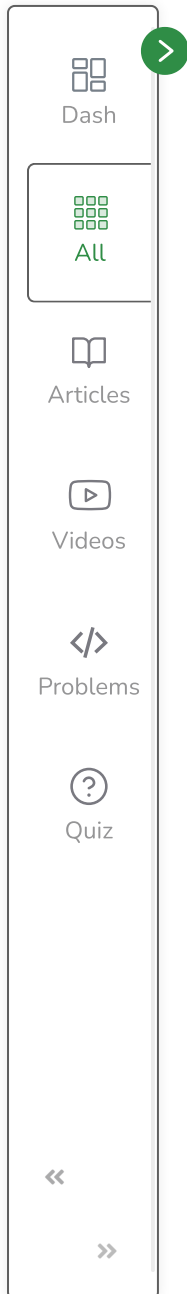
We have discussed implementation of above method in Merge two sorted arrays with $O(1)$ extra space

Method 2 ($O(n_1 + n_2)$ Time and $O(n_1 + n_2)$ Extra Space)

The idea is to use Merge function of Merge sort.

1. Create an array `arr3[]` of size $n1 + n2$.
2. Simultaneously traverse `arr1[]` and `arr2[]`.
 - Pick smaller of current elements in `arr1[]` and `arr2[]`, copy this smaller element to next position in `arr3[]` and move ahead in `arr3[]` and the array whose element is picked.
3. If there are remaining elements in `arr1[]` or `arr2[]`, copy them also in `arr3[]`.

Below image is a dry run of the above approach:





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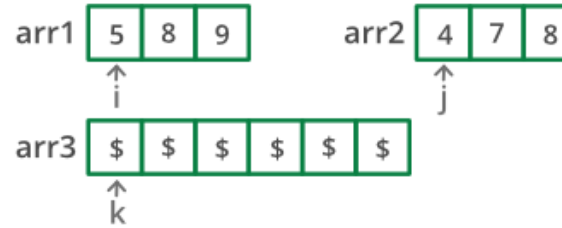


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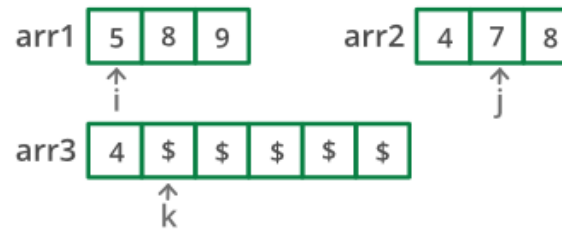
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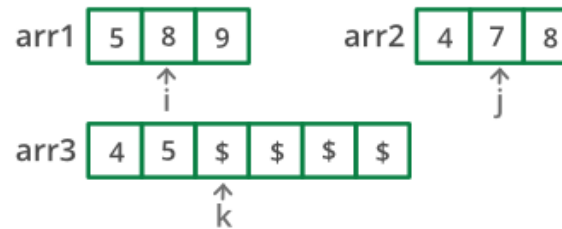
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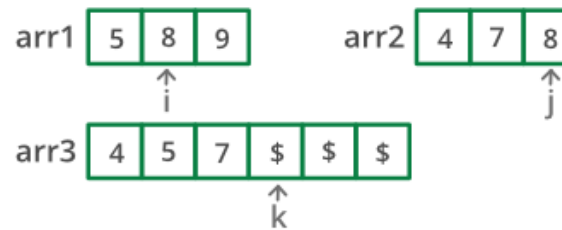
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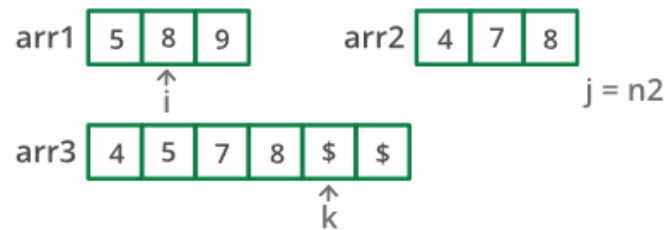
Step 2:



Step 3:



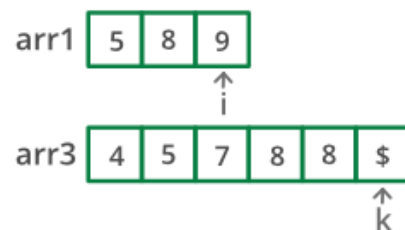
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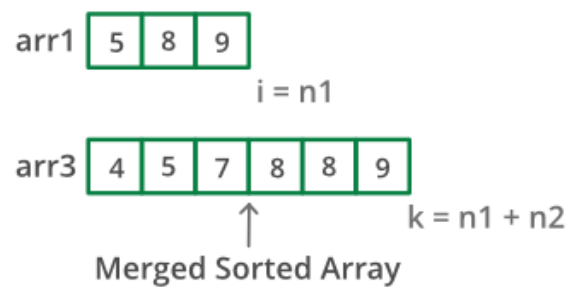
The first while loop breaks

Second while loop copies all elements from arr1 to arr3

Step 5:



Step 6:



Below is the implementation of the above approach:

C++

Java

```
// Java program to merge two sorted arrays  
import java.util.*;
```



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```
import java.lang.*;
import java.io.*;

class MergeTwoSorted
{
    // Merge arr1[0..n1-1] and arr2[0..n2-1]
    // into arr3[0..n1+n2-1]
    public static void mergeArrays(int[] arr1, int[] arr2, int n1,
                                   int n2, int[] arr3)
    {
        int i = 0, j = 0, k = 0;

        // Traverse both array
        while (i < n1 && j < n2)
        {
            // Check if current element of first
            // array is smaller than current element
            // of second array. If yes, store first
            // array element and increment first array
            // index. Otherwise do same with second array
            if (arr1[i] < arr2[j])
                arr3[k++] = arr1[i++];
            else
                arr3[k++] = arr2[j++];
        }

        // Store remaining elements of first array
        while (i < n1)
            arr3[k++] = arr1[i++];
```





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```
// Store remaining elements of second array
while (j < n2)
    arr3[k++] = arr2[j++];
}

public static void main (String[] args)
{
    int[] arr1 = {1, 3, 5, 7};
    int n1 = arr1.length;

    int[] arr2 = {2, 4, 6, 8};
    int n2 = arr2.length;

    int[] arr3 = new int[n1+n2];

    mergeArrays(arr1, arr2, n1, n2, arr3);

    System.out.println("Array after merging");
    for (int i=0; i < n1+n2; i++)
        System.out.print(arr3[i] + " ");
}
}

/* This code is contributed by Mr. Somesh Awasthi */
```

Output:

Array after merging

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

Time Complexity : $O(n_1 + n_2)$

Auxiliary Space : $O(n_1 + n_2)$

Array after merging

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2. Print the keys of the map.

Below is the implementation of above approach.

CPP

Java

```
// Java program to merge two sorted arrays
//using maps
import java.io.*;
import java.util.*;

class GFG {

    // Function to merge arrays
    static void mergeArrays(int a[], int b[], int n, int m)
    {

        // Declaring a map.
```



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```
// using map as a inbuilt tool
// to store elements in sorted order.
Map<Integer,Boolean> mp = new TreeMap<Integer,Boolean>();

// Inserting values to a map.
for(int i = 0; i < n; i++)
{
    mp.put(a[i], true);
}
for(int i = 0; i < m; i++)
{
    mp.put(b[i], true);
}

// Printing keys of the map.
for (Map.Entry<Integer,Boolean> me : mp.entrySet())
{
    System.out.print(me.getKey() + " ");
}
}

// Driver Code
public static void main (String[] args)
{
    int a[] = {1, 3, 5, 7}, b[] = {2, 4, 6, 8};
    int size = a.length;
    int size1 = b.length;

    // Function call
```




```
mergeArrays(a, b, size, size1);  
}  
}
```

// This code is contributed by rag2127

Output:

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

Time Complexity: $O(n \log(n) + m \log(m))$

Auxiliary Space: $O(N)$

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