

# Merge Sort for Linked List

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Given Pointer/Reference to the head of the linked list, the task is to **Sort the given linked list using Merge Sort**.

**Note:** If the length of linked list is odd, then the extra node should go in the first list while splitting.

## Example 1:

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Input: N = 5
value[] = {3,5,2,4,1}
Output: 1 2 3 4 5 Explanation: After sorting the given
linked list, the resultant matrix
will be 1->2->3->4->5.
```

## Example 2:

```
Input: N = 3
value[] = {9,15,0}
Output: 0 9 15 Explanation: After sorting the given
linked list , resultant will be
0->9->15.
```

## Your Task:

**For C++ and Python:** The task is to complete the function **mergeSort()** which sort the linked list using merge sort function.

**For Java:** The task is to complete the function **mergeSort()** and return the node which can be used to print the sorted linked list.

**Expected Time Complexity:**  $O(N \cdot \log(N))$

**Expected Auxiliary Space:**  $O(N)$

## Constraints:

$1 \leq T \leq 100$

$1 \leq N \leq 10^5$

```
class Solution:
    #Function to sort the given linked list using Merge Sort.
    def mergeSort(self, head):
        if head is None or head.next is None:
            return head
        mid = self.middleOfLL(head)
        nextHead = mid.next
        mid.next = None
```

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first = self.mergeSort(head)
second = self.mergeSort(nextHead)
return self.merge2SortedLists(first,second)
```

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def middleOfLL(self,head):
    slow = head
    fast = head

    while fast.next is not None and fast.next.next is not None:
        slow = slow.next
        fast = fast.next.next
    return slow
```

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def merge2SortedLists(self,head1,head2):
    if head1 is None or head2 is None:
        return head1 if head2 is None else head2
    dummyNode = Node(-1)
    l1 = head1
    l2 = head2
    prev = dummyNode

    while l1!=None and l2!=None:
        if l1.data>l2.data:
            prev.next = l2
            l2 = l2.next
        else:
            prev.next = l1
            l1 = l1.next
        prev = prev.next
    if l1 is None:
        prev.next = l2
    else:
        prev.next = l1
    return dummyNode.next
```