ADSA Module 3

Divide and Conquer AND Greedy Algorithms

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Module 3: Divide and Conquer AND Greedy Algorithms: (9 Hrs)

- 1. Introduction to Divide and Conquer
 - Analysis of:
- 2. Binary search
- 3. Merge sort and Quick sort
- 4. Finding the minimum and maximum algorithm

Self-learning Topics:
Implementation of minimum and maximum algorithm,
Knapsack problem, Job sequencing using deadlines.

- 3. Introduction to Greedy Algorithms
- 4. Knapsack problem
- 5. Job sequencing with deadlines
- 6. Optimal storage on tape
- 7. Optimal merge pattern
- 8. Analysis of All these algorithms and problem solving.

Contents of Module 3 : Divide and Conquer :

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Divide and Conquer:

Q. Explain Divide and Conquer strategy. List any four problems that can be solved using D&C. (10M)

Divide and Conquer is an algorithmic paradigm.

A typical Divide and Conquer algorithm solves a problem using following three steps.

- 1. Divide: Break the given problem into smaller sub-problems of same or related type.
- 2. Conquer: Recursively solve these sub-problems

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problem.
                                                                           subproblem
Algo DC (P)
        If P is too small then
                                                                   conquer
                                                                                 , subproblem
                  return solution of P
                                                                            solution to
        else
                                                                           subproblem
                  divide P into P1,P2,P3,.....Pn
                  where n \ge 1
                  Apply DC to each sub-problem
                  Return Combine ( DC(P1), DC(P2),.....DC(Pn) )
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3. Combine: Combine the solution of the sub-problems problem divide subproblem solve subproblem solution to subproblem combine solution to problem

Following standard algorithms are Divide and Conquer algorithms.

1) Binary Search is a searching algorithm.

In each step, the algorithm compares the input element x with the value of the middle element in array. If the values match, return the index of middle. Otherwise, if x is less than the middle element, then the algorithm recurs for left side of middle element, else recurs for right side of middle element.

2) Quicksort is a sorting algorithm.

The algorithm picks a pivot element, rearranges the array elements in such a way that all elements smaller than the picked pivot element move to left side of pivot, and all greater elements move to right side. Finally, the algorithm recursively sorts the subarrays on left and right of pivot element.

3) Merge Sort is also a sorting algorithm.

The algorithm divides the array in two halves, recursively sorts them and finally merges the two sorted halves.

4) Strassen's Algorithm is an efficient algorithm to multiply two matrices.

A simple method to multiply two matrices need 3 nested loops and is O(n^3).

Strassen's algorithm multiplies two matrices in O(n^2.8974) time.

Advantage and disadvantage of Divide and Conquer Approach:

Advantage:

Divide and conquer approach supports parallelism as sub-problems are independent.

Hence, an algorithm, which is designed using this technique, can run on the multiprocessor system or in different machines simultaneously.

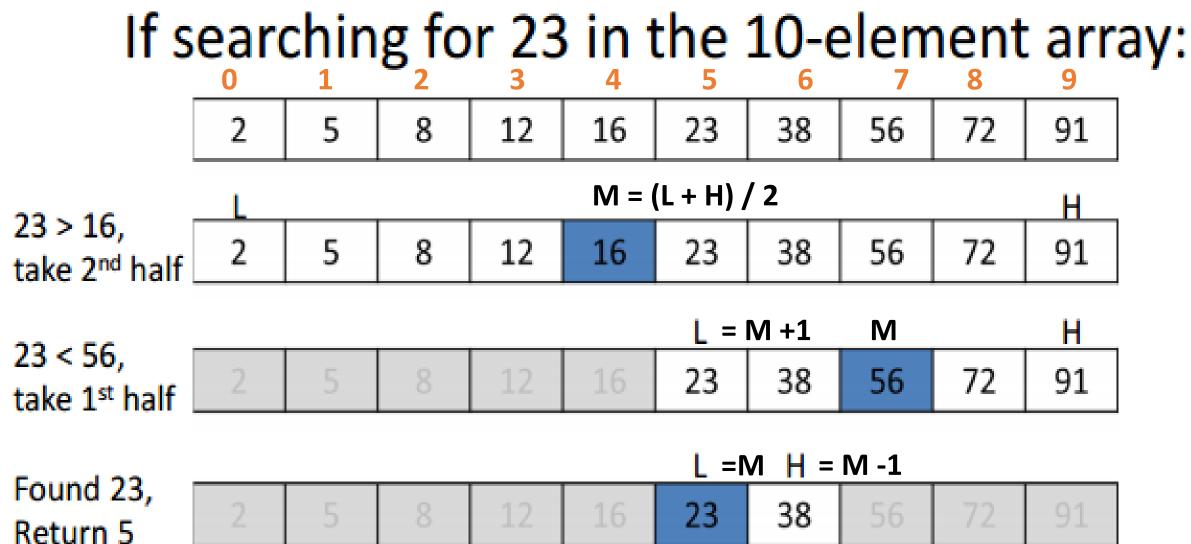
Disadvantage:

In this approach, most of the algorithms are designed using recursion, hence memory requirement is very high.

For recursive function stack is used, where function state needs to be stored.

Divide and Conquer: Recursive Binary Search: Q. Describe binary search. Derive its time complexity (10M)

Q. Write the algorithm and derive the complexity of Binary search algorithm. (10M)



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Divide and Conquer: recursive Binary Search: If element x is present in given array
                            arr[l..r], then returns location of x in array arr[l..r], otherwise -1.
int binarySearchRecursive (int arr[], int I, int r, int x)
                                                                                    r = n-1
T(n)
                                 // r = array.length - 1
\{ int | l = 0; int | r = n-1 \}
 if ( l < = r )
                            int mid = (l + r) / 2;
    if (x == arr[mid])
                                  // If the element is present at the middle
       return mid;
    else if (x < arr[mid]) // If element is smaller than mid, then it can only be present in
       return binarySearchRecursive (arr, I, mid-1, x); T(n/2) // LEFT SUB- ARRAY
    else if (x > arr[mid]) // Else the element can only be present in RIGHT SUB- ARRAY
       return binarySearchRecursive (arr, mid+1, r, x); T(n/2)
             // We reach here when element is not present in array
 result, = binarySearchRecursive (arr, Q, n-1, x); Gadhikar
                                                               // Function call
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Time Complexity:

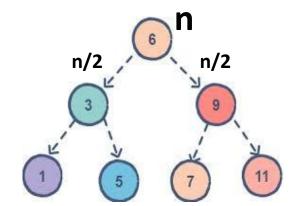
The time complexity of Binary Search can be written as

The above recurrence can be solved either using Recurrence Tree method or Master method.

It falls in case II of Master Method and solution of the recurrence is Theta(Log n).

$$a = 1, b = 2, k = 0, p = 0$$

 $1 = 2^0$
 $1 = 1 \text{ case 2 } p = 0 > -1 \text{ then}$ $T(n) = \Theta (n^{\log_b a} \log^{p+1} n)$
 $= \Theta (\log n)$



Auxiliary Space: O(1) in case of iterative implementation.

In case of recursive implementation, O(Log n) recursion call stack space.

Max $no_{2} o f_{2}$ recursive calls = eq. to height of tree = $O(h_{2})$, h = log n, Space (n) = O(log n)

Finding the minimum and maximum from a list using D & C: Example:

Q. Write an algorithm for finding maximum and minimum number from a given set.(10M)

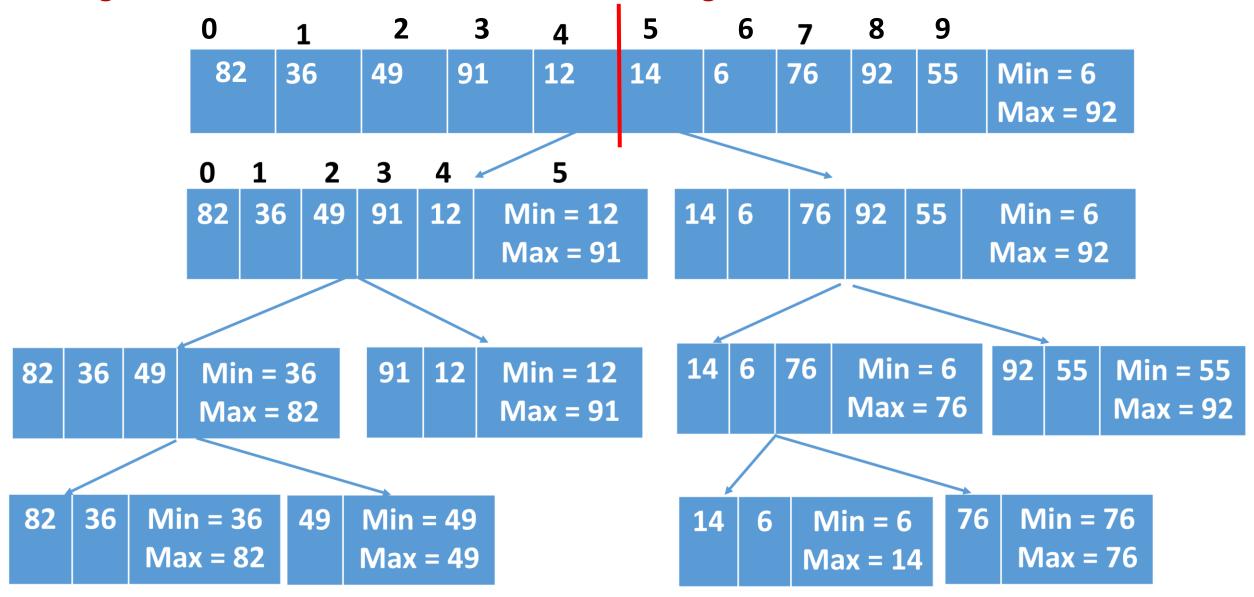
Three approaches to find the minimum and maximum from a list are:

- 1. Sort the array. Min = 1^{st} element, Max = last element
- 2. Assign min = 999999max = 0Iteratively check min and max with each element of the array.
- 3. Divide and Conquer:
 Gives better complexity compared to 1 & 2.

Divide the array into two parts and compare the maximums and minimums of the two parts to get the maximum and the minimum of the whole array.

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Pair MaxMin(array, array_size) T(n)
 if array size = 1
   return element as both max and min (T(1) = 0)
                                                                       20
  else if array size = 2
   one comparison to determine max and min (T(2) = 1)
   return that pair
 else /* array size > 2 */
   recur for max and min of left half
                                         (T(n/2))
   recur for max and min of right half (T(n/2))
  one comparison determines true max of the two candidates (C = 1)
   one comparison determines true min of the two candidates (C = 1)
   return the pair of max and min
```

Finding the minimum and maximum from a list using D & C:



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// Base case 2: If there are two elements
// structure pair is used to return two values : MIN and
MAX from minMax()
                                                       if (high == low + 1)
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struct pair
                                  12
                                       20
                                             27
                                                  34
                                                         if (arr[low] > arr[high])
 int min;
 int max;
                                                           minmax.max = arr[low];
                                                           minmax.min = arr[high];
struct pair getMinMax(int arr[], int low, int high)
                                                         else
 struct pair minmax, mml, mmr;
                                      int mid;
                                                           minmax.max = arr[high];
/* Base case 1: If there is only one element */
                                                           minmax.min = arr[low];
 if (low == high)
                                                         return minmax;
  minmax.max = arr[low];
  minmax.min = arr[low];
  return minmax;
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/* If there are more than 2 elements */
                                                 struct pair
else
\{ mid = (low + high)/2; \}
                                                  int min;
 mml = getMinMax(arr, low, mid);
                                                  int max;
 mmr = getMinMax(arr, mid+1, high);
 /* compare minimums of two parts*/
                                                 struct pair minmax, mml, mmr;
if (mml.min < mmr.min)</pre>
  minmax.min = mml.min;
                                                 CALL:
                                                 struct pair minmax = getMinMax(arr, 0,
 else
  minmax.min = mmr.min;
                                                 arr_size-1);
/* compare maximums of two parts*/
                                                                MID
 if (mml.max > mmr.max)
                                                                      12
                                                                           20
                                                                                     34
                                                                 9
  minmax.max = mml.max;
                                                      mml
 else
  minmax.max = mmr.max;
  return<sub>4</sub>minmax;
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Divide the array into two parts and compare the maximums and minimums of the two parts to get the maximum and the minimum of the whole array.

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  one comparison determines true min of the two candidates (C = 1)
   return the pair of max and min
```

Time Complexity of Divide and Conquer MIN-MAX Algo: O(n)

Total number of comparisons: let number of comparisons be T(n). T(n) can be written as follows:

$$T(n) = T(n/2) + T(n/2) + 2$$

 $T(2) = 1$
 $T(1) = 0$

$$T(n) = 2T(n/2) + 2$$

After solving above recursion using master's theorem, we get

$$a = 2$$
, $b = 2$, $k = 0$, $p = 0$
 $a b^k$
 $2 > 2^0 Condition 1 => T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a})$
 $= \Theta(n^{\log_2 2})$
 $= \Theta(n)$

Merge Sort:

Q1. Sort the list of elements in ascending order using merge-sort technique. Give output for each pass.

- i. 90,20,80,89,70,65,85,74
- ii. 100,20,38,14,48,07,17,57,93,35

(Any one) (10M)

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Merge Sort:
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Like QuickSort, Merge Sort is a Divide and Conquer algorithm. The merge sort algo is composed of two independent parts.

Merge: merge(arr, I, m, r) and mergeSort(arr, I, r)

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MergeSort: -divides input array in two halves, calls itself for the two halves and -then calls merge function to merge the two sorted halves.

-MergeSort uses merge to sort a list (array) of elements.
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```
void mergeSort(int arr[], int I, int r) T(n)
  if (I < r)
    int m = (l + r) / 2;
    // Sort first and second halves
    mergeSort(arr, I, m);
                                  T(n/2)
                                  T(n/2)
    mergeSort(arr, m+1, r);
    merge(arr, I, m, r);
                                Theta(n)
```

Merge: function is used for merging the two halves.

The merge() function merges two sorted arrays to give another sorted array.

The merge(arr, I, m, r) process assumes that arr[I..m] and arr[m+1..r] (eventually single element arrays) are sorted and merges the two sorted sub-arrays into another sorted array.

Merge Sort Algorithm: The array is recursively divided in two halves till the size becomes 1. Once the size becomes 1, the merge processes comes into action and starts merging arrays back till the complete array is merged.

```
MergeSort(arr[], I, r)
```

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If I < r // divide the array till u get single element arrays i.e. // when I = r = single ele arr=> stop split ( recursion )
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- 1. Find the middle point to divide array into two halves: middle m = (l+r)/2
- 2. Call mergeSort for first half: Call mergeSort(arr, I, m)
- 3. Call mergeSort for second half: Call mergeSort(arr, m+1, r)
- 4. Merge the two halves sorted in step 2 and 3: Call merge(arr, I, m, r)

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void mergeSort(int arr[], int I, int r) T(n)
  if (l < r)
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    // Sort first and second halves
    mergeSort(arr, I, m);
                                  T(n/2)
    mergeSort(arr, m+1, r);
                                   T(n/2)
    merge(arr, I, m, r);
                                Theta(n)
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The array is recursively Divided in two halves till the size becomes 1.

Once the size becomes 1,

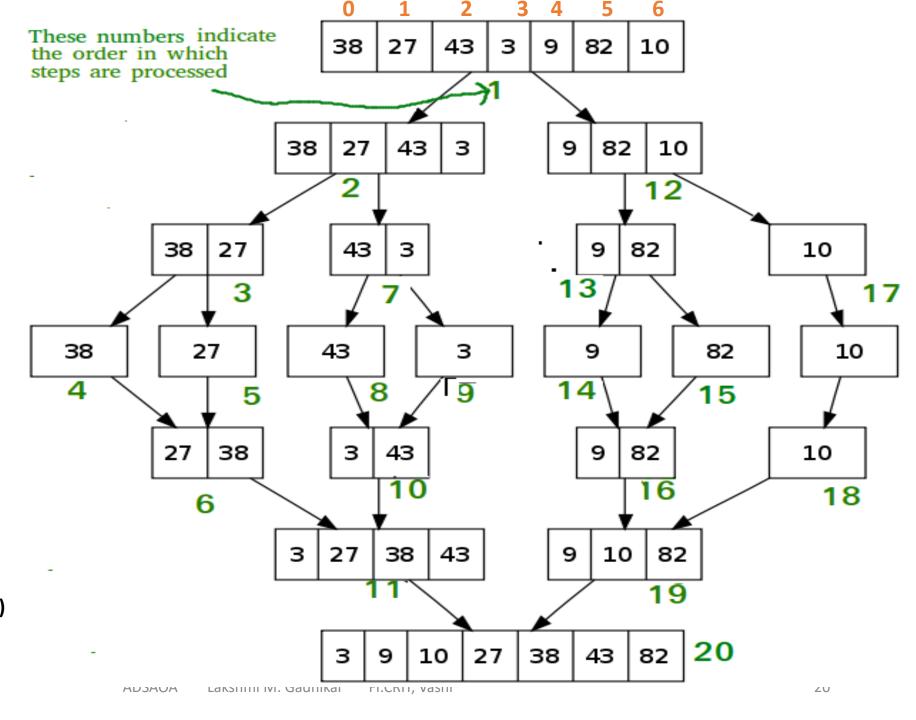
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```
void mergeSort(int arr[], int l, int r)
{
   if (l < r)
   {
     int m = (l+r)/2;

     // Sort first and second halves
     mergeSort(arr, l, m);
     mergeSort(arr, m+1, r);
     T(n/2)

   merge(arr, l, m, r);
}</pre>
```



```
// Merges two subarrays of arr[].
// First subarray is arr[l..m]
// Second subarray is arr[m+1..r]
void merge(int arr[], int I, int m, int r)
  int i, j, k;
  int n1 = m - l + 1;
  int n2 = r - m;
  int L[n1], R[n2]; /* create temp arrays */
  /* Copy data to temp arrays L[] and R[] */
  for (i = 0; i < n1; i++)
    L[i] = arr[l + i];
  for (j = 0; j < n2; j++)
    R[j] = arr[m + 1 + j];
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/* Merge the temp arrays back into arr[l..r]*/
         i = 0; // Initial index of first subarray
                // Initial index of second subarray
                // Initial index of merged subarray
         while (i < n1 && j < n2)
                                                0123456
         { if (L[i] < R[j])
                                                38 27 43 3 9 82 10
                    arr[k] = L[i];
                    i++;
           else if (R[j] < L[i])
                   arr[k] = R[j];
                   j++;
                                           27 38
                                                             10
           else // if ( R[j] == L[i]
                   arr[k] = L[i];
                                               3 27 38 43
                                                       9 10 82
                   i++; j++;
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/* Copy the remaining elements of L[], if there /* I is for left index and r is right index of the
                                                                sub-array of arr to be sorted */
     are any */
                                         | 38 | 27 | 43 | 3 | 9 | 82 | 10
   while (i < n1)
                                                              void mergeSort(int arr[], int I, int r)
                                                                                                             T(n)
     arr[k] = L[i];
                                       | 38 | 27 | 43 | 3 |
                                                 9 | 82 | 10
                                                                 if (l < r)
     i++;
     k++;
                                                  9 82
                                  38 27
                                         43 3
                                                                    int m = (l + r) / 2;
/* Copy the remaining
                                                                    // Sort first and second halves
   elements of R[],
                                                                    mergeSort(arr, I, m);
                                                                                                             T(n/2)
   if there are any */
                                                                                                             T(n/2)
                                                                    mergeSort(arr, m+1, r);
                                  27 | 38
                                         3 43
                                                  9 82
   while (j < n2)
                                                                    merge(arr, I, m, r);
                                                                                                             Theta(n)
                                       3 27 38 43
                                                 9 10 82
     arr[k] = R[j];
      j++;
                                         3 | 9 | 10 | 27 | 38 | 43 | 82 | 20
      k++;
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/* Driver program to test above functions */
int main()
  int arr[] = {12, 11, 13, 5, 6, 7};
  int arr_size = sizeof(arr)/sizeof(arr[0]);
  printf("Given array is \n");
  printArray(arr, arr size);
  mergeSort(arr, 0, arr_size - 1);
  printf("\nSorted array is \n");
  printArray(arr, arr_size);
  return 0;
```

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/* UTILITY FUNCTIONS */
/* Function to print an array */
void printArray(int A[], int size)
  int i;
  for (i=0; i < size; i++)
    printf("%d ", A[i]);
  printf("\n");
```

Time Complexity:

Merge Sort is a recursive algorithm and time complexity can be expressed as following recurrence relation.

T(n) = 2T(n/2) + Theta(n): The above recurrence can be solved either using Recurrence Tree method or Master method.

Time complexity of Merge Sort is = $\Theta(n \log n)$ in all 3 cases (worst, average and best) as :

merge sort always divides the array in two halves and take linear time to merge two halves irrespective of whether the i/p array is already sorted or unsorted.

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Space complexity of Merge Sort:
Auxiliary Space:
       Space for merge function = n + C
       (n = n1 + n2) and (c = 5 \text{ for I}, j, k, n1, n2)
                                    = O(n)
        Stack space for recursion of mergeSort function= O( log n )
       Stack space for recursion = height of recursion tree
                  = O (log n ), n = no of elements in array.
So, total auxiliary space = n + log n = O(n)
Parameter space: for merge function = n + 3 (arr[] = n \cdot l,r,m = 3)
                for mergeSort function = n + 2 (arr[] = n \cdot l, r = 2)
So, total Parameter space = n+3 + n+2
                            = 2n + 5 = O(n)
Total space = Parameter space + Auxiliary Space
             = O(n) + O(n)
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  if (l < r)
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     mergeSort(arr, I, m);
                                  T(n/2)
     mergeSort(arr, m+1, r); T(n/2)
    merge(arr, I, m, r);
                             Theta(n)
void merge(int arr[], int I, int m, int r)
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  int n2 = r - m;
// create temp arrays
  int L[n1], R[n2];
// Copy data to temp arrays L[] and R[]
  for (i = 0; i < n1; i++)
    L[i] = arr[l + i];
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```

Applications of Merge Sort :

- 1. Merge Sort is useful for sorting linked lists in O(n Log n) time.
- 2. Used in External Sorting
- 3. Inversion Count Problem:

Inversion Count for an array indicates – how far (or close) the array is from being sorted.

If array is already sorted then inversion count is 0.

If array is sorted in reverse order that inversion count is the maximum.

Two elements a[i] and a[j] form an inversion if a[i] > a[j] and i < j.

Example:

The sequence 2, 4, 1, 3, 5 has three inversions (2, 1), (4, 1), (4, 3).

Complexity of merge sort is same as that of the average case complexity of quick sort. However, the memory requirement of this merge sort algorithm is too large and hence considered generally as less efficient

Quick sort : [Cormen]

Q1. Sort the following using quick sort also derive its time complexity show all passes of execution. (10M)
i. 50,31,71,38,77,81,12,33
ii. 65,70,75,80,85,60,55,50,45.

Q2. Explain Quick sort algorithm. Dive its time complexity with suitable example.

Quick sort : [Cormen]

Like Merge Sort, QuickSort is a Divide and Conquer algorithm.

It picks an element as pivot and partitions the given array around the picked pivot.

There are many different versions of quickSort that pick pivot in different ways.

Always pick first element as pivot.

Always pick last element as pivot (Cormen: implemented below)

Pick a random element as pivot.

Pick median as pivot.

The key process in quickSort is partition().

Function of partition: Given an array and an element x of array as pivot,

put x at its correct position in sorted array and put all elements smaller than x, before x, and put all elements greater than x, after x. All this should be done in linear time.

Pseudo Code for recursive QuickSort function:

```
/* low --> Starting index,
                                                                                                            High
                                              Low
                                                                                          2
                                                       6
                                                                5
                                                                                  8
   high --> Ending index */
                                                                         0
                                                                                                    4
quickSort(arr[], low, high)
                                                       5
                                                                                          9
                                                                                                   8
                                                                0
                                                                                                            High
                                               Low
  if (low < high)
// pi is partitioning index, arr[pi] is now at right place
                                                                              partition (arr[], low, high)
                                                                              pivot Element to be placed at its right position
     pi = partition(arr, low, high);
                                                                                pivot = arr[high];
                                                                                i = (low - 1) // Index of smaller element
                                                                                for (j = low; j <= high- 1; j++)
     quickSort(arr, low, pi - 1);
                                                         // Before pi
     quickSort(arr, pi + 1, high);
                                                        // After pi
                                                                                  if (arr[j] <= pivot)</pre>
                                                                                             swap arr[i] and arr[j]; }
                                                                                    i++;
                                                                                swap arr[i + 1] and arr[high])
                                                                                return (i + 1)
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i	J	A[i]	A[j]	<	piv ot	Action	1 = low	2	3	4	5	6	7	8= high = pivot
0	1		9	4	7	J++	9	6	5	0	8	2	4	7
							9	6	5	0	8	2	4	7
0	2		6	<	7	i++ => i=1 , swap a[1] & a[2]	9	6	5	0	8	2	4	7
							6	9	5	0	8	2	4	7
1	3	6	5	<	7	i++ => i=2 , swap a[2] & a[3]	6	9	5	0	8	2	4	7
2							6	5	9	0	8	2	4	7
2	4	9	0	<	7	i++ => i=3 , swap a[3] & a[4]	6	5	9	0	8	2	4	7
3							6	5	0	9	8	2	4	7
3	5	0	8	<	7	J++	6	5	0	9	8	2	4	7

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partition (arr[], low, high)
{// pivot Element to be placed at its
right position
  pivot = arr[high];
  i = (low - 1) // Index of smaller
element
  for (j = low; j <= high- 1; j++)
    if (arr[j] <= pivot)</pre>
        i++;
        swap arr[i] and arr[j] ;
  swap arr[i + 1] and arr[high])
  return (i + 1)
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3	5	0	8	<	7	J++	6	5	0	9	8	2	4	7	
3	6	0	2	<	7	i++ => i=4, swap a[4] & a[6]	6	5	0	9	8	2	4	7	
4							6	5	0	2	8	9	4	7	
4	7	2	4	<	7	i++ => i=5, swap a[5] & a[7]	6	5	0	2	8	9	4	7	
							6	5	0	2	4	9	8	7	
5	8					Swap a[6] & a[high = 8]	6	5	0	2	4	9	8	7	
							6	5	0	2	4	7	8	9	
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        i++;
        swap arr[i] and arr[j] ;
  swap arr[i + 1] and arr[high])
  return (i + 1)
```

Pi =i+1

Partition Algorithm:

The logic is simple, we start from the

leftmost element and keep track of index of smaller (or equal to) elements as i.

This function takes last element as pivot,

places the pivot element at its correct position in sorted array, and

places all elements smaller than pivot to left of pivot and

all elements greater than pivot element to right of pivot.

```
partition (arr[], low, high)
  // pivot Element to be placed at its right position
  pivot = arr[high];
  i = (low - 1)
                           // Index of smaller element
  for (j = low; j <= high- 1; j++)
    // If current element is smaller than or
    // equal to pivot
    if (arr[j] <= pivot)
      i++; // increment index of smaller element
      swap arr[i] and arr[j]
// Place pivot ele : arr[high] in its right place arr[i+1]
  swap arr[i + 1] and arr[high])
  return (i + 1)
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Psudo Code for D & C i.e. Recursive Quicksort:
/* low --> Starting index,
   high --> Ending index */
quickSort(arr[], low, high)
                                           T(n)
                                               High
  if (low < high) d
    // pi is partitioning index,
    // arr[pi] is now at right place
     pi = partition(arr, low, high);
                                           \Theta(n)
     quickSort(arr, low, pi - 1); // Before pi T(k)
     quickSort(arr, pi + 1, high); // After pi T(n-k-1)
```

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  // pivot Element to be placed at its right position
  pivot = arr[high];
                            // Index of smaller element
  i = (low - 1)
  for (j = low; j <= high- 1; j++)
    // If current element is smaller than or
    // equal to pivot
    if (arr[j] <= pivot)</pre>
      i++; // increment index of smaller element
      swap arr[i] and arr[j]
// Place pivot ele : arr[high] in its right place arr[i+1]
  swap arr[i + 1] and arr[high])
  return (i + 1)
```



Analysis of QuickSort:

Time taken by QuickSort in general can be written as following.

```
T(n) = T(k) + T(n-k-1) + \Theta(n) // T(n-k-1) : -1 because 1 element is pivot
The first two terms are for two recursive calls, the last term: \Theta(n) is for the partition process.
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k is the number of elements which are smaller than pivot.

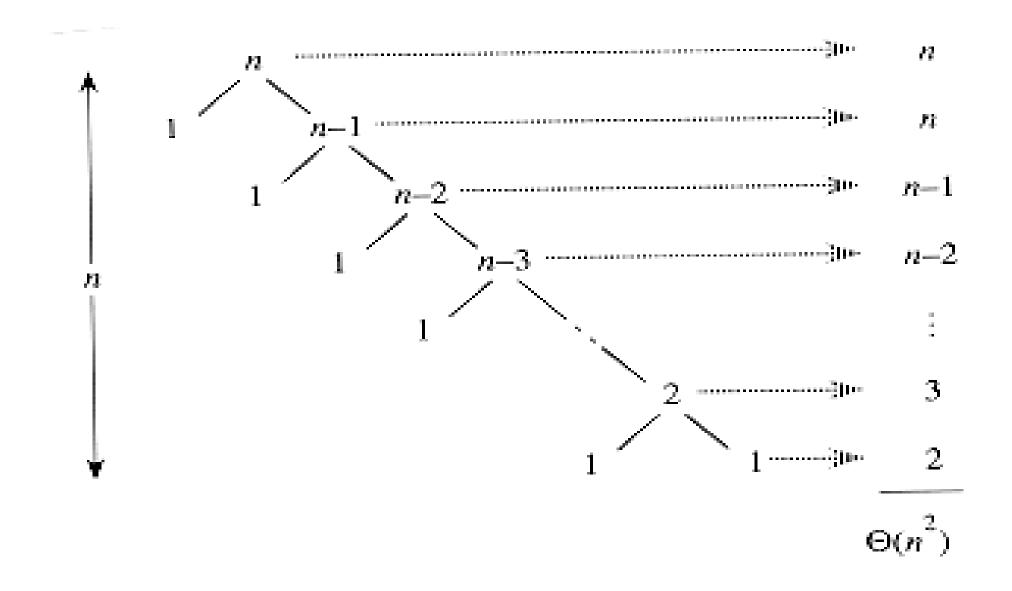
The time taken by Quick Sort depends upon the input array and partition strategy.

Worst Case: The worst case occurs when the partition process always picks greatest or smallest element as pivot.

If we consider above partition strategy where last element is always picked as pivot, the worst case would occur when the array is already sorted in increasing or decreasing order. Following is recurrence for worst case.

```
T(n) = T(0) + T(n-1) + \Theta(n) // T(n-1) because 1 ele is pivot 
 T(n) = T(n-1) + \Theta(n) The solution of above recurrence using substitution is = \Theta(n^2).
```

Worst case:



Best case => pivot is middle element =>

It partitions array in two almost equal halves of size (n/2) each.

So, T(n) = 2T(n/2) + n as in case of Merge Sort
The above recurrence can be solved either using Recurrence Tree method or Master method.

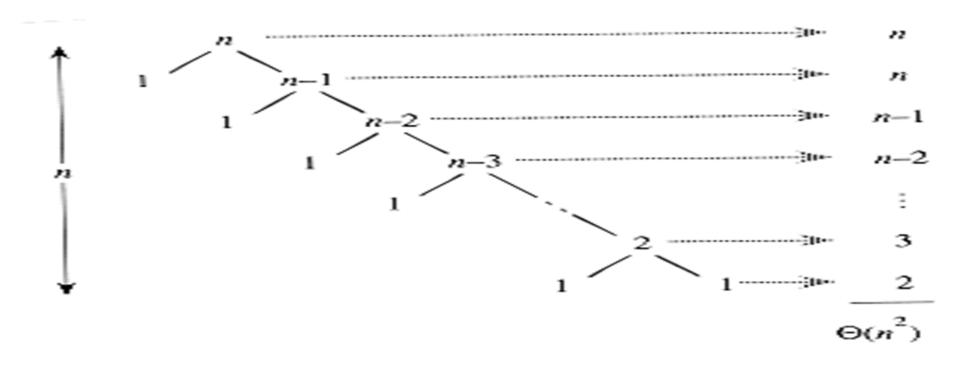
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= 2T(n/2) + n \qquad a = 2 , b = 2 , k = 1, p = 0 ; a : b^k ; 2 = 2^1 = 2; p = 0 > -1 = 2a
2. If a = b^k then a. If p > -1 then T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a} \log^{p+1} n) i.e It falls in case II of Master Method. = \Omega(n \log n).
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Best Case Time complexity of Quick Sort is = $\Omega(n \log n)$ Worst Case Time complexity of Quick Sort is = $\Theta(n^2)$.

Space Complexity of Quick sort:

In best case, as it partitions array in two equal halves of size (n/2) each. => balanced tree of height = log n = > Space = O(log n) in best case.

In worst case, every time it may partition the array in two partitions of size 1 and (n-2) elements resp. => height of tree (skewed on one side) = n = > Space = O(n) in worst case.



BASIS FOR COMPARISON	QUICK SORT	MERGE SORT
Partitioning of the elements in the array	The splitting of a list of elements is not necessarily divided into half.	Array is always divided into half (n/2).
Worst case complexity	O(n ²)	O(n log n) (worst, average and best)
Works well on	Smaller array	Operates fine in any type of array.
Speed	Faster than other sorting algorithms for small data set.	Consistent speed in all type of data sets.
Additional storage space requirement	Less	More
Efficiency	Inefficient for larger arrays.	More efficient.
Sorting method	Internal	External

Divide and Conquer Algorithm	Time Complexity	Space Complexity
Binary Search	Θ (log n)	O (log n)
MIN-MAX Algorithm	Θ(n)	
Merge Sort	worst, average and best : Θ(n Log n)	O(n)
Quick Sort	Best Case : Ω(n Log n) Worst Case : O(n²)	Best Case : Ω (log n) Worst Case : O(n)
	vvoist case. O(ii)	Worst Case . O(II)
Matrix Multiplication (Naïve)	O(N ²)	vvoist case . O(ii)
Matrix Multiplication (Naïve) Matrix Multiplication D & C	O(N ³) O(N ³)	vvoist case . O(ii)