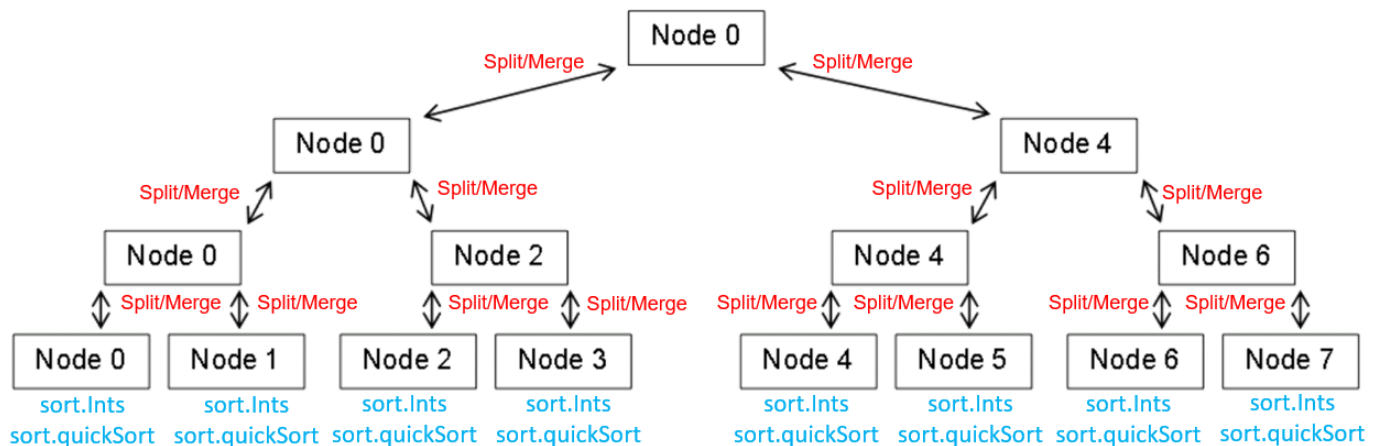


# 1. Idea

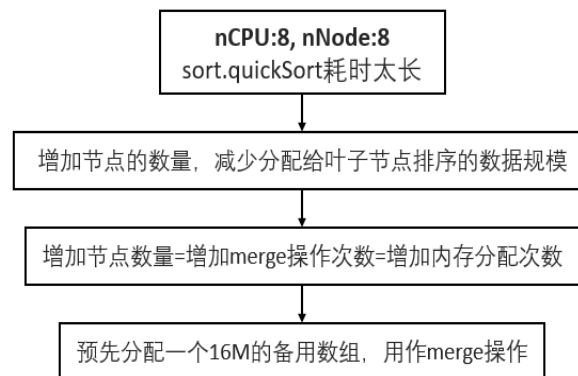
基本思路如下图所示：

1. 中间节点从父节点收到自己负责的数据块后，将数据块一分为二，自己负责左半部分数据块的排序，将右半部分分给儿子节点；
2. 如此递归下去，直到叶子节点，叶子节点采用golang sort包提供的sort函数对数据块进行排序；
3. 当儿子节点完成自己负责的数据块排序后，父节点再对左右两个数据块进行merge操作。merge行为的协同由wg.waitGroup来实现；



# 2. PProf

基本优化思路如下图所示。因内存占用情况和routine race的情况都正常，所以下面只分析了CPU Profile的结果。



**Phase 1:** node的数量=CPU的数量，每次merge操作临时开辟内存

我的电脑是8线程的，有8个node参加了底层的sort.quickSort排序，相当于每个sort.quickSort的数据规模是2M，2048个整数。CPU Profile的结果如下图所示，可以看到在quickSort的doPivot阶段花了相当一部分时间，于是想增加叶子节点，减小每个叶子节点排序的数据规模，以减少doPivot花费的时间。

```
(pprof) top20 -cum
Showing nodes accounting for 450ms, 83.33% of 540ms total
Showing top 20 nodes out of 40
      flat flat% sum%        cum cum%
    30ms   5.56%  5.56%    470ms  87.04%  main.mergesort
       0      0%  5.56%    400ms  74.07%  sort.Slice
    20ms   3.70%  9.26%    400ms  74.07%  sort.quickSort_func
   130ms  24.07% 33.33%    300ms  55.56%  sort.doPivot_func
   150ms  27.78% 61.11%    150ms  27.78%  main.mergesort.func1
       0      0% 61.11%     60ms  11.11%  main.main
    60ms  11.11% 72.22%     60ms  11.11%  reflect.Swapper.func5
       0      0% 72.22%     60ms  11.11%  runtime.main
    20ms   3.70% 75.93%     50ms   9.26%  sort.insertionSort_func
    10ms   1.85% 77.78%     30ms   5.56%  main.ffprepare
       0      0% 77.78%     30ms   5.56%  runtime.makeslice
       0      0% 77.78%     30ms   5.56%  runtime.mallocgc
    30ms   5.56% 83.33%     30ms   5.56%  runtime.memmove
       0      0% 83.33%     30ms   5.56%  runtime.systemstack
       0      0% 83.33%     20ms   3.70%  math/rand.(*Rand).Int63
       0      0% 83.33%     20ms   3.70%  math/rand.(*lockedSource).Int63
       0      0% 83.33%     20ms   3.70%  math/rand.Int63
       0      0% 83.33%     20ms   3.70%  runtime.(*mheap).alloc
       0      0% 83.33%     20ms   3.70%  runtime.largeAlloc
       0      0% 83.33%     20ms   3.70%  runtime.mallocgc.func1
```

### Phase 2：node的数量=n\*CPU的数量

在8线程，16GB RAM的电脑上，分别尝试node数量为8, 16, 32, 64, 128的情况，发现64是一个凹点（此时每个node要排256个数据），CPU Profile输出的结果如下图所示。可以看出quickSort的时间减少了100ms，但在runtime.systemstack上的时间却增多了，多出来的这些时间又大多在内存分配上。故想办法减少内存的分配次数。

```
(pprof) top20 -cum
Showing nodes accounting for 440ms, 88.00% of 500ms total
Showing top 20 nodes out of 42
      flat flat% sum%        cum cum%
    80ms  16.00% 16.00%    400ms  80.00%  main.mergesort
       0      0% 16.00%    300ms  60.00%  sort.Slice
       0      0% 16.00%    300ms  60.00%  sort.quickSort_func
   180ms  36.00% 52.00%    260ms  52.00%  sort.doPivot_func
    90ms  18.00% 70.00%     90ms  18.00%  main.mergesort.func1
       0      0% 70.00%     60ms  12.00%  runtime.systemstack
       0      0% 70.00%     50ms  10.00%  main.main
       0      0% 70.00%     50ms  10.00%  runtime.main
    10ms   2.00% 72.00%     40ms   8.00%  main.ffprepare
       0      0% 72.00%     40ms   8.00%  runtime.gcBgMarkWorker
       0      0% 72.00%     40ms   8.00%  runtime.gcBgMarkWorker.func2
       0      0% 72.00%     40ms   8.00%  runtime.gcDrain
    30ms   6.00% 78.00%     40ms   8.00%  sort.insertionSort_func
       0      0% 78.00%     30ms   6.00%  math/rand.(*Rand).Int63
       0      0% 78.00%     30ms   6.00%  math/rand.(*lockedSource).Int63
       0      0% 78.00%     30ms   6.00%  math/rand.Int63
    20ms   4.00% 82.00%     30ms   6.00%  runtime.scanobject
    30ms   6.00% 88.00%     30ms   6.00%  sync.(*Mutex).Unlock
       0      0% 88.00%     20ms   4.00%  runtime.(*mheap).alloc
       0      0% 88.00%     20ms   4.00%  runtime.largeAlloc
```

### Phase 3: node的数量=n\*CPU的数量，预分配用于merge的备用数组

为了避免merge结果的拷贝，将merge数组和存放源数据的数组src交替使用，最终得到的CPU Profile的输出结果如下，可以看到runtime.systemstack的开销已大大降低。

```

Duration: 308.60ms, Total samples = 400ms (129.62%)
Entering interactive mode (type "help" for commands, "o" for options)
(pprof) top20 -cum
Showing nodes accounting for 360ms, 90.00% of 400ms total
Showing top 20 nodes out of 26

```

	flat	flat%	sum%		cum	cum%	
	70ms	17.50%	17.50%		350ms	87.50%	main.mergesort
	0	0%	17.50%		280ms	70.00%	sort.Slice
	20ms	5.00%	22.50%		280ms	70.00%	sort.quickSort_func
	160ms	40.00%	62.50%		240ms	60.00%	sort.doPivot_func
	0	0%	62.50%		50ms	12.50%	main.main
	50ms	12.50%	75.00%		50ms	12.50%	main.mergesort.func1
	0	0%	75.00%		50ms	12.50%	runtime.main
	40ms	10.00%	85.00%		40ms	10.00%	reflect.Swapper.func5
	10ms	2.50%	87.50%		30ms	7.50%	main.ffprepare
	0	0%	87.50%		20ms	5.00%	math/rand.(*Rand).Int63
	0	0%	87.50%		20ms	5.00%	math/rand.(*lockedSource).Int63
	0	0%	87.50%		20ms	5.00%	math/rand.Int63
	0	0%	87.50%		20ms	5.00%	sort.insertionSort_func
	10ms	2.50%	90.00%		20ms	5.00%	sort.medianOfThree_func
	0	0%	90.00%		10ms	2.50%	main.MergeSort
	0	0%	90.00%		10ms	2.50%	main.mergeSort
	0	0%	90.00%		10ms	2.50%	runtime.(*mheap).alloc
	0	0%	90.00%		10ms	2.50%	runtime.largeAlloc
	0	0%	90.00%		10ms	2.50%	runtime.makeslice
	0	0%	90.00%		10ms	2.50%	runtime.mallocgc