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#include <iostream>
using namespace std ;

// -----
int * merge( int list0[], int n0, int list1[], int n1 )
{
    int * r ;
    int i0, il, ir ;

    r = new int [ n0 + n1 ] ;
    i0 = 0 ; il = 0 ; ir = 0 ;

    while ( ( i0 < n0 ) && ( il < n1 ) ) {
        if ( list0[i0] < list1[il] ) {
            r[ir] = list0[i0] ;
            i0++ ; ir++ ;
        }
        else {
            r[ir] = list1[il] ;
            il++ ; ir++ ;
        }
    }

    // One of the lists has run out. Copy remaining elements.

    while ( i0 < n0 ) {           // If list0 is finished, loop is not entered.
        r[ir] = list0[i0] ;
        i0++ ; ir++ ;
    }

    while ( il < n1 ) {           // If list1 is finished, loop is not entered.
        r[ir] = list1[il] ;
        il++ ; ir++ ;
    }

    return(r) ;
}

// -----
// Split the list in half. Recursively sort both halves, and merge the
// partial results back together. This approach to solving a problem
// is often called "divide and conquer".
// -----
int * mergesort( int * a, const int n )
{
    int n0, n1 ;
    int * r0, * r1, *r ;

    if ( n == 1 ) {
        r = new int [1] ;
        r[0] = a[0] ;
        return r ;
    }
    else {
        n0 = n / 2 ;
        n1 = n - n0 ;
        r0 = mergesort( a, n0 ) ;
        r1 = mergesort( (a+n0), n1 ) ;
        r = merge( r0, n0, r1, n1 ) ;
        delete [] r0 ; delete [] r1 ;
        return r ;
    }
}
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// -----
int main()
{
    int i ;
    const int n = 12 ;
    int * sort_a ;
    int a[n] = { 17, 28, 3, 17, 12, 5, 9, 2, 23, 11, 7, 8 } ;

    sort_a = mergesort( a, n ) ;

    cout << endl ;
    cout << "a = [ " ;
    for ( i = 0 ; i < n ; i++ ) {
        cout << a[i] ;
        if ( (i+1) < n ) cout << ", " ;
    }
    cout << " ]" << endl << endl ;

    cout << "sort_a = [ " ;
    for ( i = 0 ; i < n ; i++ ) {
        cout << sort_a[i] ;
        if ( (i+1) < n ) cout << ", " ;
    }
    cout << " ]" << endl << endl ;
}
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----- Sample session -----
atlas%
atlas% g++ mergesort.cc
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a = [ 17, 28, 3, 17, 12, 5, 9, 2, 23, 11, 7, 8 ]

sort_a = [ 2, 3, 5, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 17, 17, 23, 28 ]
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