#### mergeCells (Merge Cells)

This collection expresses all the merged cells in the sheet.

[Example:

This example shows that three ranges are merged. The formatting and content for the merged range is always stored in the top left cell.

<mergeCells>  
 <[mergeCell](mergeCell.docx) ref="C2:F2"/>  
 <[mergeCell](mergeCell.docx) ref="B19:C20"/>  
 <[mergeCell](mergeCell.docx) ref="E19:G19"/>  
</mergeCells>

end example]

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| Parent Elements |
| [worksheet](worksheet.docx) (§) |

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| Child Elements | Subclause |
| [mergeCell](mergeCell.docx) (Merged Cell) | § |

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| Attributes | Description |
| count (Count) | A count of merged [cell](cell.docx) collections.  The possible values for this attribute are defined by the XML [Schema](Schema.docx) unsignedInt datatype. |

The following XML [Schema](Schema.docx) fragment defines the contents of this element:

<complexType [name](name.docx)="CT\_MergeCells">

<sequence>

<element name="[mergeCell](mergeCell.docx)" type="CT\_MergeCell" minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>

</sequence>

<attribute [name](name.docx)="count" type="xsd:unsignedInt" use="optional"/>

</complexType>