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CS 590 Homework 2:  
Application Exercises

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### **Problem 2.5.32:**

Based on the problem instructions, we have the following information:

- 1) x and y are the employees, who wants to date one another
- 2) T is the Tree
- 3) z is the tree root (it is the supervisor of all employees)

**From the above and from my analysis,  
Algorithm pseudocode is below:**

**Algorithm LCA(z, x, y):**

**Input: x, y, z, and T**

**Output: The Lowest Common Ancestor (LCA)  
between x and y**

**if (z=0) then  
    return NULL**

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if(z = x or z = y) then  
    return z
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Left ← LCA(z->left, x, y)  
Right ← LCA(z->right, x, y)
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if(Left and Right) then  
    return z
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return Left ? Left : Right
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Since we are calling the Algorithm recursively multiple times, the running time of the Algorithm will be  $O(n)$ .