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Today Learned:

[Introduction of Algorithms lecture 2](#)

(Corresponding to the 3rd chapters of the book)

Today Exercise:

[Inorder-Traversal of Binary Tree \(From LeetCode\)](#)

Source Code:

```
void traversal(struct TreeNode* cur, int* rslt, int* resSize)
{
    if (!cur) return;
    traversal(cur->left, rslt, resSize);
    rslt[(*resSize)++] = cur->val;
    traversal(cur->right, rslt, resSize);
}

int* inorderTraversal(struct TreeNode* root, int* returnSize){
    int* rslt = malloc(sizeof(int)*501);
    *returnSize = 0;
    traversal(root, rslt, returnSize);
    return rslt;
}
```

Coding Notes:

Binary tree inorder traversal (recursive)

```
void traversal (struct Treenode* root, int* res, int* resSize) {
```

We use pointer instead of global variables, which has the advantage of high security and can be used in all levels of recursion.

```
    if (!root) return; // if the leaf node is null, return the upper level,
```

```
    traversal (root, res, resSize);
```

```
    res[(*resSize)++] = root->val; // return value of this node
```

Here is a trick involved: the pointer can point to the counter and make it self-increase. // How about we limit the resSize is smaller than the value we set?

```
    traversal (root, res, resSize);
```

```
}
```

In the main function, we should do two important things:

1. initialize the "returnSize" and use it as "resSize".
2. initialize a result array whose size is "enough" with malloc and sizeof.

```
int* inordertraversal (struct Treenode* root, int* returnSize) {
```

```
    *returnSize = 0 // 1.
```

```
    int* res = malloc (sizeof(int)*501); // 2.
```

```
    traversal (root, res, returnSize);
```

```
    return res;
```

```
}
```