

Binary Search Tree

Disclaimer: I haven't coded this problem, so not sure the following will work correctly.

Since a connected component of a binary tree is also a binary tree, the only necessary condition for it to be a binary search tree is that the keys should be in increasing order.

We write a method `dfs(Node u)` that returns the maximum binary search tree rooted at node `u`. The outline of the algorithm looks like following:

```
Tree dfs(Node u) {  
    Tree left = dfs(left_child(u))  
    Tree right = dfs(right_child(u))  
  
    return build_result(left, right)  
}
```

There are still two things that need to be taken care of:

- How to represent a tree efficiently? Since we know that it is always a binary tree, and only the order is important, you can represent it with an array of integers, containing the keys of the tree.
- How to build result for Node `u` from result of its left child and right child? To contain node `u`, we can only use nodes in left subtree having keys less than node `u`. Similarly, we can only use nodes in right subtree that have keys greater than node `u`. So, from the result of left subtree, we remove all nodes that have keys greater or equal to node `u`. Similar for right subtree, and then we can combine these keys to get the result for node `u`.

Now, we have something that can run in $O(N^2)$. To optimize it to $O(N * \log N)$, you can do the following:

When you get the 2 arrays from left subtree and right subtree, reuse the bigger one (adding necessary values to the other one, and return that array)

Code from team ThanQ+: [here](#).