

# Problem 1660: Correct a Binary Tree

## Problem Information

**Difficulty:** Medium

**Acceptance Rate:** 0.00%

**Paid Only:** No

## Problem Description

You have a binary tree with a small defect. There is

exactly one

invalid node where its right child incorrectly points to another node at the

same depth

but to the

invalid node's right

Given the root of the binary tree with this defect,

root

, return

the root of the binary tree after

removing

this invalid node

and every node underneath it  
(minus the node it incorrectly points to).

Custom testing:

The test input is read as 3 lines:

TreeNode root

int fromNode

(

not available to

correctBinaryTree

)

int toNode

(

not available to

correctBinaryTree

)

After the binary tree rooted at

root

is parsed, the

TreeNode

with value of

fromNode

will have its right child pointer pointing to the

TreeNode

with a value of

toNode

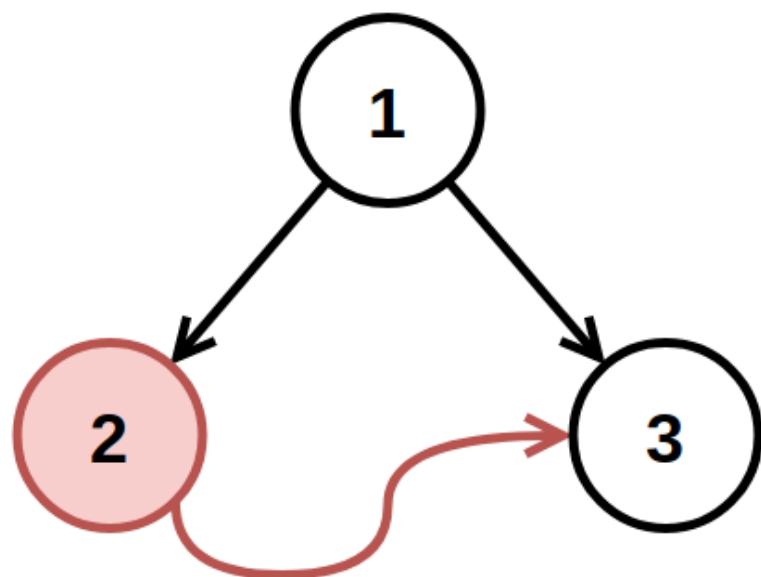
. Then,

root

is passed to

correctBinaryTree

Example 1:



Input:

root = [1,2,3], fromNode = 2, toNode = 3

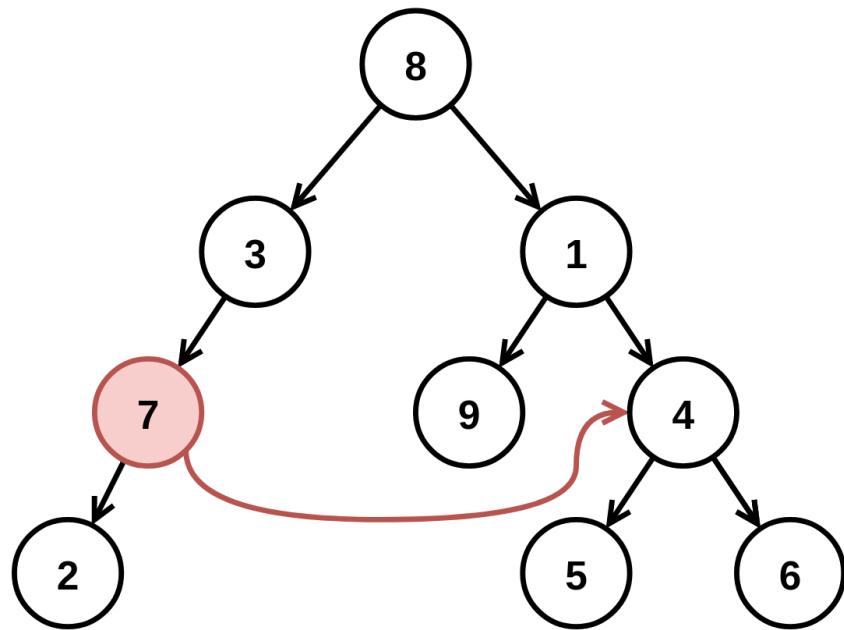
Output:

[1,null,3]

Explanation:

The node with value 2 is invalid, so remove it.

Example 2:



Input:

root = [8,3,1,7,null,9,4,2,null,null,null,5,6], fromNode = 7, toNode = 4

Output:

[8,3,1,null,null,9,4,null,null,5,6]

Explanation:

The node with value 7 is invalid, so remove it and the node underneath it, node 2.

Constraints:

The number of nodes in the tree is in the range

[3, 10

4

]

-10

9

$\leq \text{Node.val} \leq 10$

9

All

`Node.val`

are

unique

`fromNode != toNode`

`fromNode`

and

`toNode`

will exist in the tree and will be on the same depth.

toNode

is to the

right

of

fromNode

.

fromNode.right

is

null

in the initial tree from the test data.

## Code Snippets

**C++:**

```
/**
 * Definition for a binary tree node.
 * struct TreeNode {
 *     int val;
 *     TreeNode *left;
 *     TreeNode *right;
 *     TreeNode() : val(0), left(nullptr), right(nullptr) {}
 *     TreeNode(int x) : val(x), left(nullptr), right(nullptr) {}
 *     TreeNode(int x, TreeNode *left, TreeNode *right) : val(x), left(left),
 *     right(right) {}
 * };
 */
class Solution {
```

```
public:  
TreeNode* correctBinaryTree(TreeNode* root) {  
  
}  
};
```

### Java:

```
/**  
 * Definition for a binary tree node.  
 * public class TreeNode {  
 * int val;  
 * TreeNode left;  
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 * TreeNode() {}  
 * TreeNode(int val) { this.val = val; }  
 * TreeNode(int val, TreeNode left, TreeNode right) {  
 * this.val = val;  
 * this.left = left;  
 * this.right = right;  
 * }  
 * }  
 */  
class Solution {  
public TreeNode correctBinaryTree(TreeNode root) {  
  
}  
}
```

### Python3:

```
# Definition for a binary tree node.  
# class TreeNode:  
#     def __init__(self, val=0, left=None, right=None):  
#         self.val = val  
#         self.left = left  
#         self.right = right  
class Solution:  
    def correctBinaryTree(self, root: TreeNode) -> TreeNode:
```

### Python:

```

# Definition for a binary tree node.
# class TreeNode(object):
#     def __init__(self, val=0, left=None, right=None):
#         self.val = val
#         self.left = left
#         self.right = right
class Solution(object):
    def correctBinaryTree(self, root):
        """
        :type root: TreeNode
        :rtype: TreeNode
        """

```

### JavaScript:

```

/**
 * Definition for a binary tree node.
 * function TreeNode(val, left, right) {
 *     this.val = (val===undefined ? 0 : val)
 *     this.left = (left===undefined ? null : left)
 *     this.right = (right===undefined ? null : right)
 * }
 */
/**
 * @param {TreeNode} root
 * @param {number} from
 * @param {number} to
 * @return {TreeNode}
 */
var correctBinaryTree = function(root) {

};


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 *         this.val = val;
 *     }
 * }

```

```

* this.left = left;
* this.right = right;
* }
* }
*/
public class Solution {
public TreeNode CorrectBinaryTree(TreeNode root) {

}
}

```

## Solutions

### C++ Solution:

```

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 * Difficulty: Medium
 * Tags: tree, hash, search
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 * Approach: DFS or BFS traversal
 * Time Complexity: O(n) where n is number of nodes
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 *     TreeNode() {  
 *         // TODO: Implement optimized solution  
 *         return 0;  
 *     }  
 *     TreeNode(int val) { this.val = val; }  
 *     TreeNode(int val, TreeNode left, TreeNode right) {  
 *         this.val = val;  
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class Solution {  
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    }  
}
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        # TODO: Implement optimized solution
        pass

```

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 *   public int val;
 *   public TreeNode left;

```

```
* public TreeNode right;
* public TreeNode(int val=0, TreeNode left=null, TreeNode right=null) {
*     this.val = val;
*     this.left = left;
*     this.right = right;
* }
* }
*/
public class Solution {
    public TreeNode CorrectBinaryTree(TreeNode root) {
        }
    }
}
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