

Practical -15

Write a Program for Building a Function ISVALID to VALIDATE BST

Algorithm to Validate a BST

1. **Define a Recursive Helper Function:**

- Create a function **isValidBSTHelper(node, min, max)** that takes a node and the valid range defined by **min** and **max**.

2. **Base Case:**

- If the **node** is **null**, return **true** (an empty tree is a valid BST).

3. **Check Current Node:**

- If the value of the **node** is less than or equal to **min** or greater than or equal to **max**, return **false** (the current node violates the BST property).

4. **Recur for Subtrees:**

- Recursively call **isValidBSTHelper** for the left child with an updated maximum value (**node.val** as the new max).
- Recursively call **isValidBSTHelper** for the right child with an updated minimum value (**node.val** as the new min).

5. **Combine Results:**

- Return the logical AND of the results from the left and right subtree checks.

6. **Initial Call:**

- Call the helper function from the main function with the root node and the initial range of **Long.MIN_VALUE** to **Long.MAX_VALUE**.

Code:-

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class TreeNode {
    int val;
    TreeNode left;
    TreeNode right;

    TreeNode(int x) {
        val = x;
    }
}

public class ValidateBST {

    public boolean isValidBST(TreeNode root) {
        return isValidBSTHelper(root, Long.MIN_VALUE, Long.MAX_VALUE);
    }

    private boolean isValidBSTHelper(TreeNode node, long min, long max) {
        // Base case: an empty node is a valid BST
        if (node == null) {
            return true;
        }

        // Check if the current node's value is within the valid range
        if (node.val <= min || node.val >= max) {
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        return false;
    }

    // Recursively check the left and right subtrees
    return isValidBSTHelper(node.left, min, node.val) &&
        isValidBSTHelper(node.right, node.val, max);
}

public static void main(String[] args) {
    // Example usage:
    TreeNode root = new TreeNode(2);
    root.left = new TreeNode(1);
    root.right = new TreeNode(3);

    ValidateBST validator = new ValidateBST();
    System.out.println(validator.isValidBST(root)); // Output: true

    // Example of an invalid BST
    TreeNode invalidRoot = new TreeNode(5);
    invalidRoot.left = new TreeNode(1);
    invalidRoot.right = new TreeNode(4);
    invalidRoot.right.left = new TreeNode(3);
    invalidRoot.right.right = new TreeNode(6);

    System.out.println(validator.isValidBST(invalidRoot)); // Output: false
}

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}
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true
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false
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