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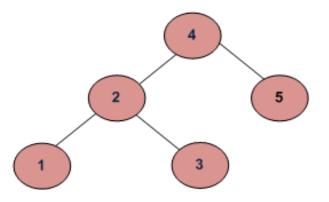
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# Sorted order printing of a given array that represents a **BST**

Given an array that stores a complete Binary Search Tree, write a function that efficiently prints the given array in ascending order.

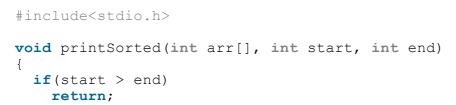
For example, given an array [4, 2, 5, 1, 3], the function should print 1, 2, 3, 4, 5



#### Solution:

Inorder traversal of BST prints it in ascending order. The only trick is to modify recursion termination condition in standard Inorder Tree Traversal.

### Implementation:







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// print left subtree
 printSorted(arr, start*2 + 1, end);
 // print root
 printf("%d ", arr[start]);
  // print right subtree
  printSorted(arr, start*2 + 2, end);
int main()
 int arr[] = \{4, 2, 5, 1, 3\};
  int arr size = sizeof(arr)/sizeof(int);
 printSorted(arr, 0, arr size-1);
  getchar();
  return 0;
```

#### Time Complexity: O(n)

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**simple\_mind** • 6 months ago

The above solution doesn't work for the input ={4, 2, 5, 3, 6}



Babaji → simple mind • 2 months ago

Cause an array can only represent a complete binary tree as most not right (2i + 2) child.



Karan Verma • 9 months ago

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sonali gupta • 10 months ago
#include<stdio.h>
#include<conio.h>
void printSorted(int arr[],int root, int size)
{if(root<=size)
printSorted(arr,2*root+1,size);
printf("%d ",arr[root]);
printSorted(arr,2*root+2,size);}
int main()
int arr[] = \{4, 2, 5, 1, 3\};
int arr size = sizeof(arr)/sizeof(int);
printSorted(arr, 0, arr size-1);
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a
\b

[a, NULL, b]

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#### Purushotham • a year ago

In the above code, it is implemented that children of the node 'n' will be stored considering the case how to derive the parent when index of child is given.

for (2n+1)/2 gives n

but (2n+2)/2 gives n+1. Both the children nodes are giving different parent indi-

Hence the correct approach is leave the '0' index null. Put the root at 1. And ch

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syang • a year ago
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static void inorder(int[] a, int idx) {
    if (idx >= a.length) return;
    inorder(a, 2*idx+1);
    System.out.print(a[idx] + " ");
    inorder(a, 2*idx+2);
}

public static void main(String[] args) {
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int[] a = {4, 2, 5, 1, 3};
              inorder(a, 0);
              System.out.println();

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neelverma • 2 years ago

Can't we directly sort this array by using merge sort or quick sort? I mean both same thing



kartik → neelverma • 2 years ago

Direct sorting is definitely an option. The time complexity of sorting will given above takes O(n) time. So the given solution is more efficient.



shiv · 2 years ago

can anyone tell me wats d logic behind this implementation?????



**Ashu** → shiv · 2 years ago

if we do inorder traversal of a binary search tree than we get the nodes implementation does the same. it is slightly modified version of the inor is given. Hope you got it.



rocky · 2 years ago

```
int n;
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vector<int> arr;

```
void printSorted(int x) {
     if( \times > n) return;
     printSorted(2*x);
     print arr[x];
     printSorted(2*x + 1);
     return;
 }
 int main(void) {
     cin >> n;
     int tmp;
     arr.push_back(-1) ; // dummy value.
     for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)</pre>
        cin >> tmp;
        arr.push_back(tmp);
     printSorted(1);
     return 0;
 }
```



**Agniswar** • 3 years ago

Then this is a great sorting algorithm..as far i am seeing we are sorting an arra better than counting sort..lsnt it ??



**bansal** → Agniswar · 2 years ago

but cost of creating a BST is O(nlogn) and can be O(n<sup>2</sup>) in worst case

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ashish • 3 years ago

I think output will be reversed printed...



GeeksforGeeks → ashish • 3 years ago

@ashish: The above program prints the output in ascending order only



anomynous • 3 years ago

i think in order traversal is the answer if we consider the node of tree to be

int data;

node \*left,\*right;



bala · 3 years ago

What if the array of interest starts from index other than "0"(Zero)? Something the array starts only from index 4.

I am not sure if such a condition will arise. Will it?



Akp ⋅ 3 years ago

Is the array here zero based or 1 based array (index)?



GeeksforGeeks → Akp · 3 years ago

Array indexes start from 0. For array  $arr[] = \{4, 2, 5, 1, 3\}$ , arr[0] = 4, arr



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gunjan • 3 years ago
Tree:
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1
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Array:[5,4,6,2,1]

But it is not giving correct result is input array represents BST?



Nikhil → gunjan · 3 years ago

that tree will be represented as:

Array: [5 4 6 2 0 0 0 1]

0 is for nodes with no value. And u can make a check in algo to print or answer then.



GeeksforGeeks → gunjan · 3 years ago

@gunjan: The given solution works only for Complete Binary Search T every level, except possibly the last, is completely filled, and all nodes a http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/B...



rahul → GeeksforGeeks • a year ago



So we can apply the same method for the question like "constru level order traversal"..correct me if i m wrong



Sandeep → GeeksforGeeks · 3 years ago

It would be good if we can add these kind of conditions in/after (





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