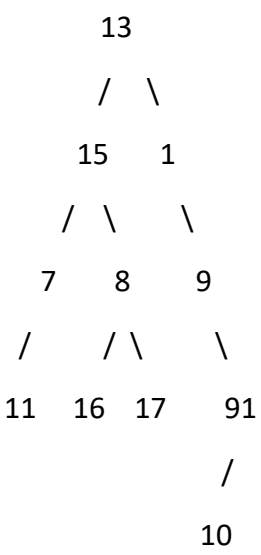
Count Leaf Nodes of Binary Tree GFG

Given a Binary Tree of size **N**, You have to count leaves in it.

Example:



Output: The Leaves Count: 4

Approach 1: Function to count leaves recursively

- The **countLeavesRecursively** function counts the leaf nodes in the binary tree recursively.
- It initializes a count variable to 0 and then calls the helper function **inorderCount**.
- The **inorderCount** function performs an inorder traversal of the tree.
- In the traversal, if a node is a leaf node (i.e., it has no left or right children), it increments the leaf count.
- Finally, it returns the leaf count.

Time Complexity: O(N), where N is the number of nodes in the binary tree. You visit each node once.

Space Complexity: O(H), where H is the height of the binary tree due to the function call stack.

Approach 2: Function to count leaves iteratively

- The **countLeavesIteratively** function counts the leaf nodes in the binary tree iteratively using a stack.

- It initializes a stack with the root node and a count variable to 0.
- In each iteration, it pops a node from the stack and checks if it is a leaf node (no left or right children). If it is, it increments the leaf count.
- It then pushes the left and right children onto the stack for further processing.
- The loop continues until the stack is empty.
- Finally, it returns the leaf count.

Time Complexity: O(N), where N is the number of nodes in the binary tree. You visit each node once.

Space Complexity: O(W), where W is the maximum width of the binary tree at any level due to the stack.