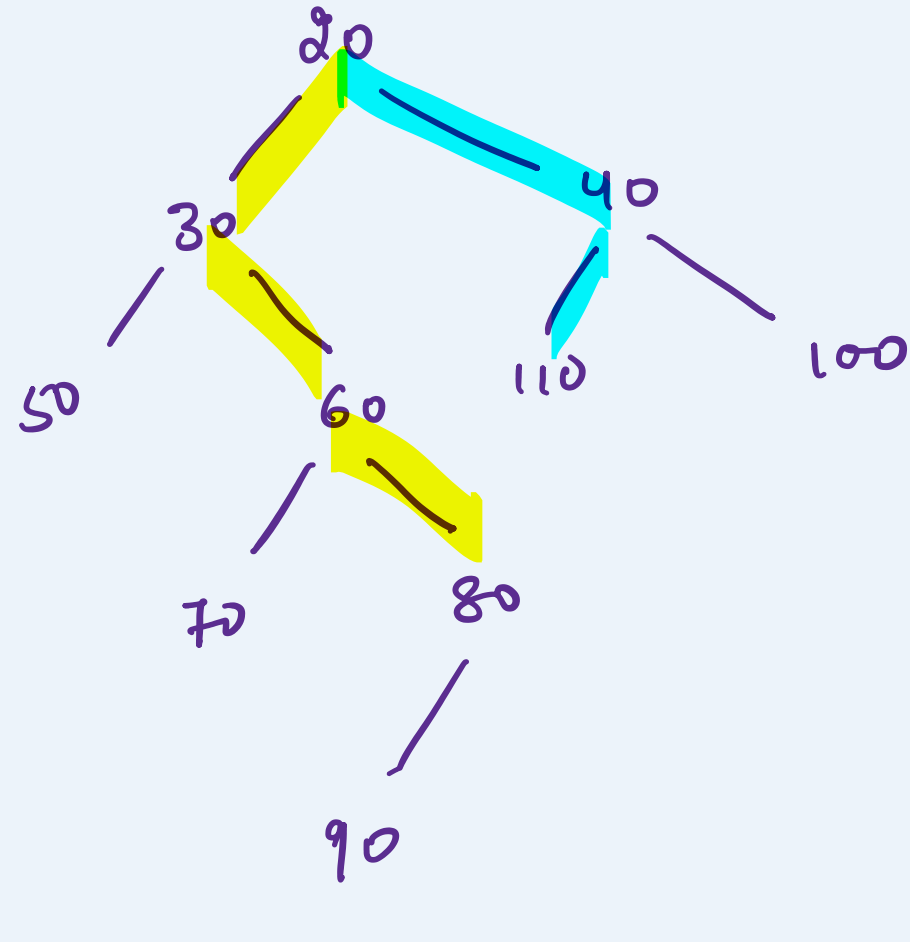


Q Given a BT, find the path from root to a given node



findPath(80)
↓
20, 30, 60, 80

findPath(110)
↓
20, 40, 110

hasPath (root, Arraylist arr, x) {

if (root == null)
return false;

arr.add (root.data);

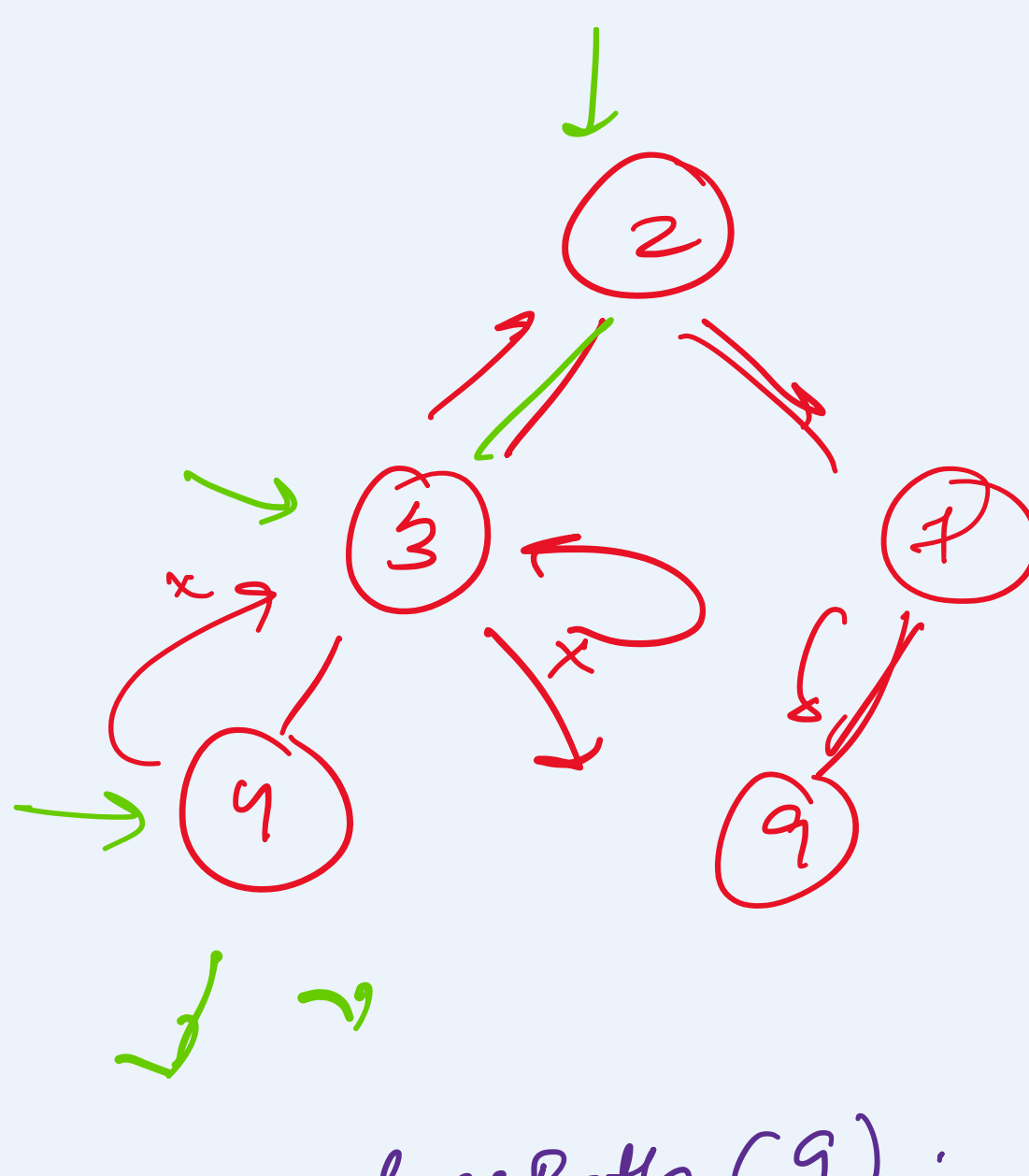
if (root.data == x) return true;

if (hasPath (root.left, arr, x) ||
hasPath (root.right, arr, x))
return true;

arr.remove (arr.size()-1);

return false;

}

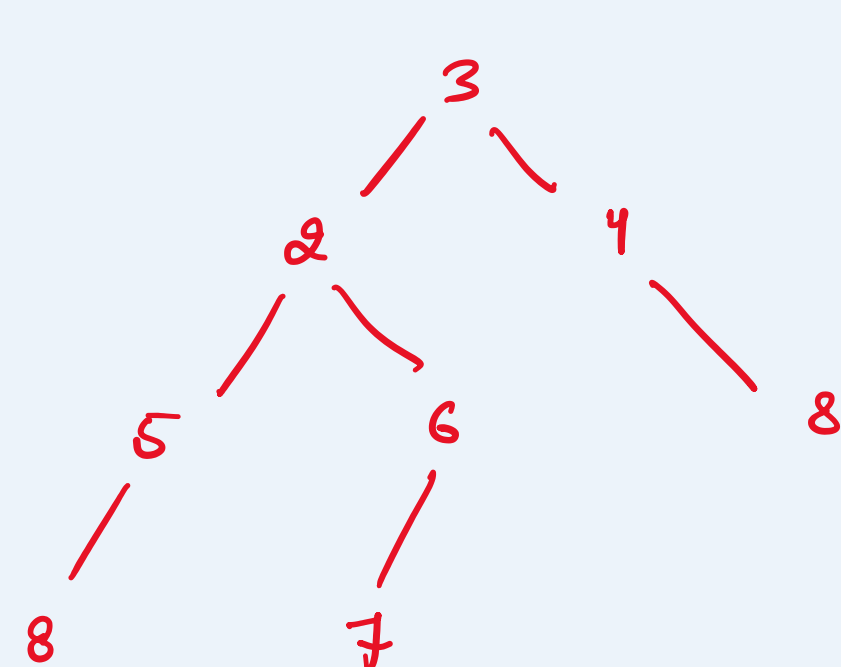


hasPath(9);

[2, 3, 9]

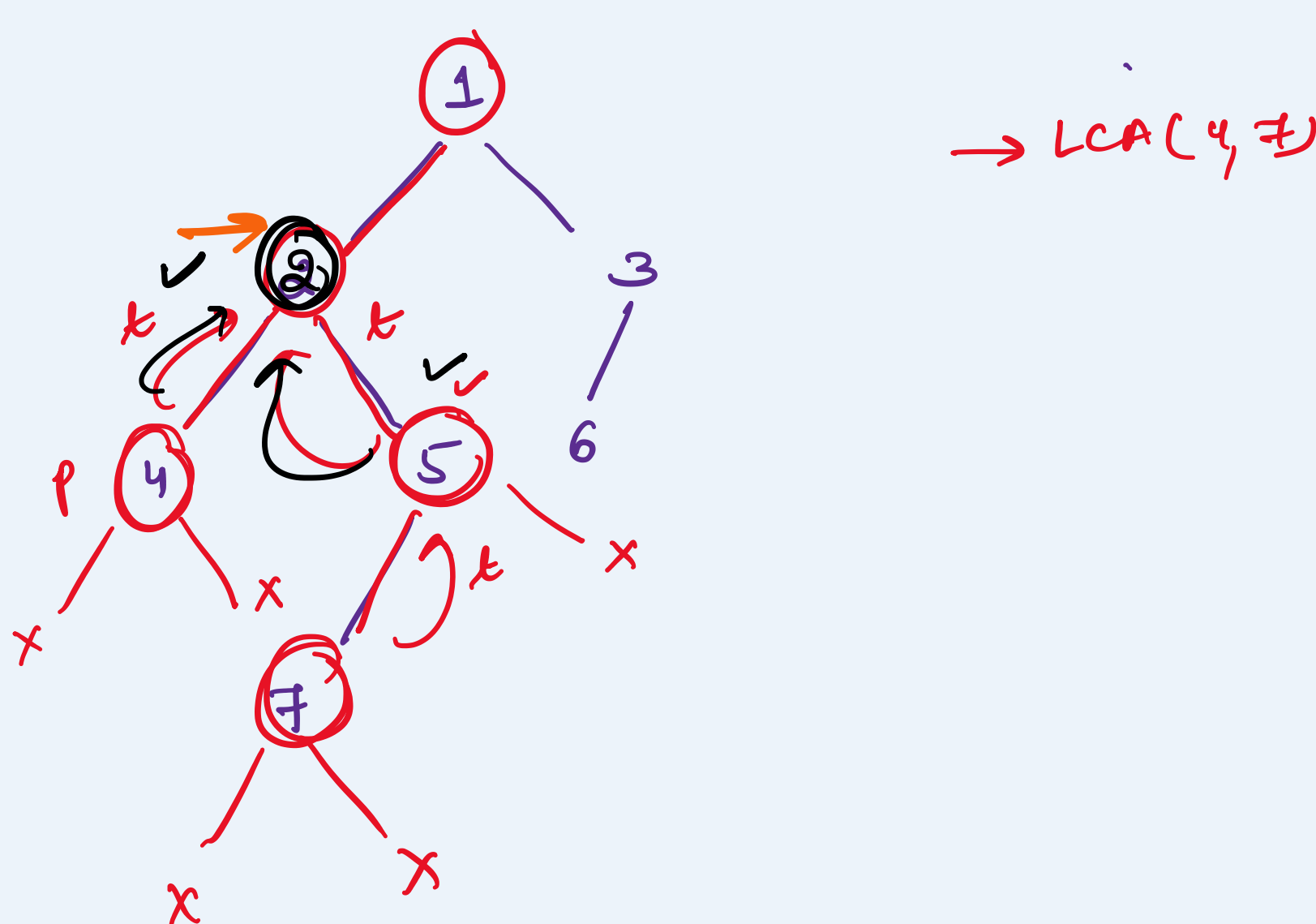
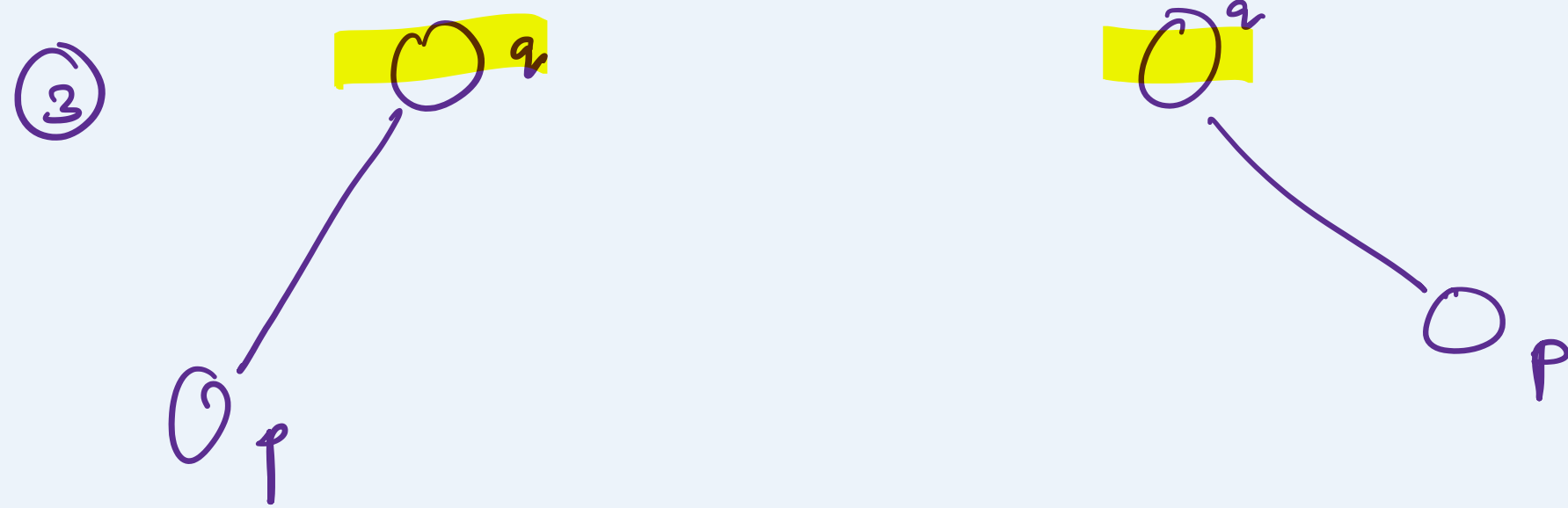
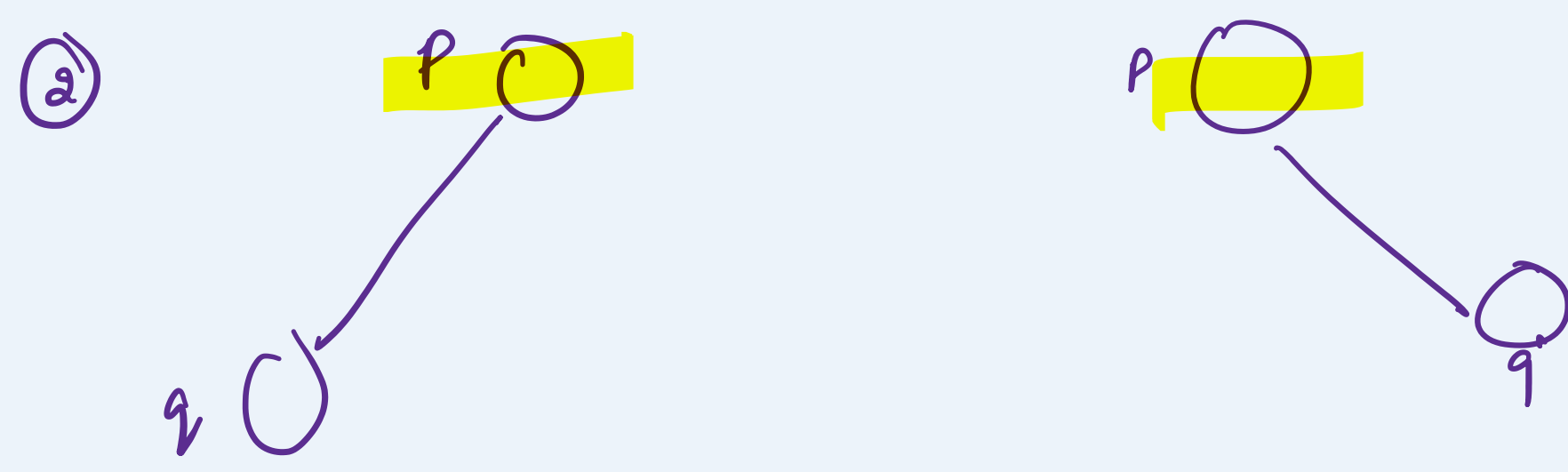
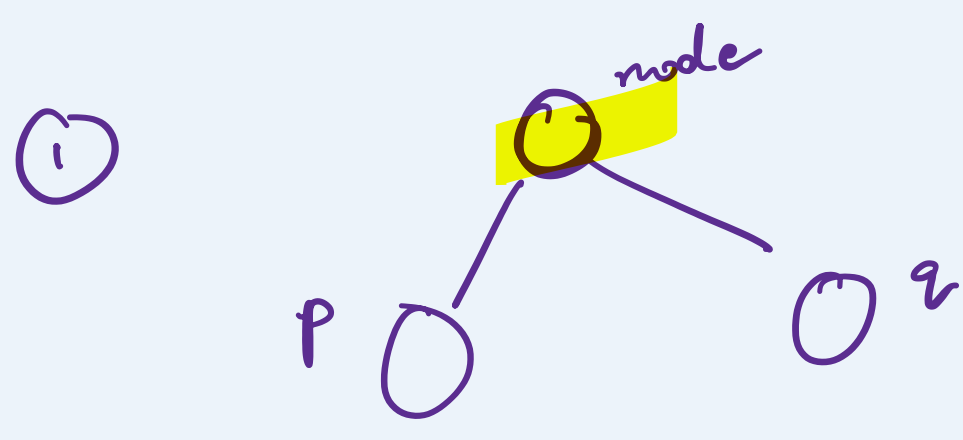
Q Given a BT, find the lowest common ancestor (LCA) of given two nodes.

LCA: defined as the lowest node in a tree that has both p & q as descendants.



LCA (5, 7) → 2
LCA (3, 8) → 3
LCA (5, 8) → 5

Optimised approach :



→ LCA(4, 7)

Node ans = null
LCA (root, p, q) {

if (root == null) return false;

int left = LCA (root.left, p, q) ? 1 : 0

int right = LCA (root.right, p, q) ? 1 : 0

int mid = (root.data == p ||
root.data == q) ? 1 : 0;

if (mid + left + right ≥ 2)
ans = root;

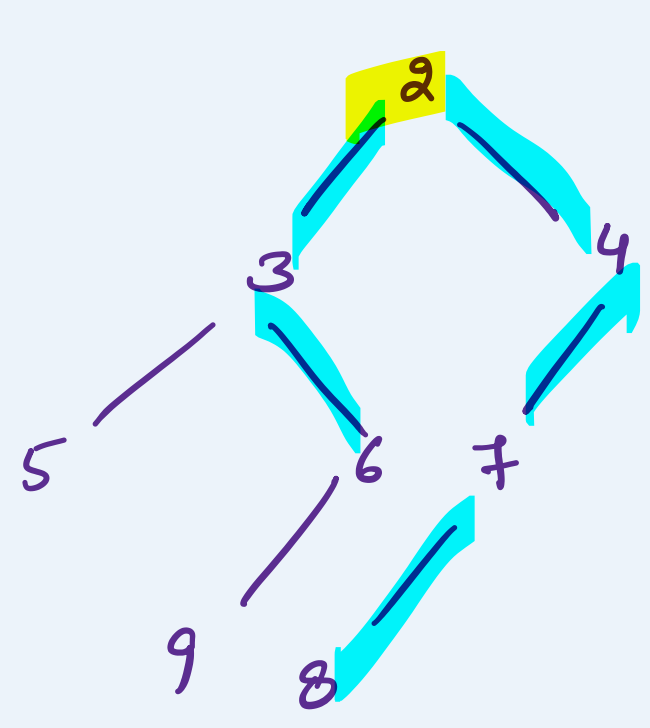
return (mid + left + right > 0);

}

TC → O(n)

SC → O(n)

Q Given a BST, and two nodes, find the distance b/w 2 nodes.



find (6, 8) = 5
find (5, 4) = 3
find (4, 8) = 2

Approach ①:

Dist (n₁, n₂) = Dist (root, n₁) + Dist (root, n₂)
- 2 * Dist (root, LCA)

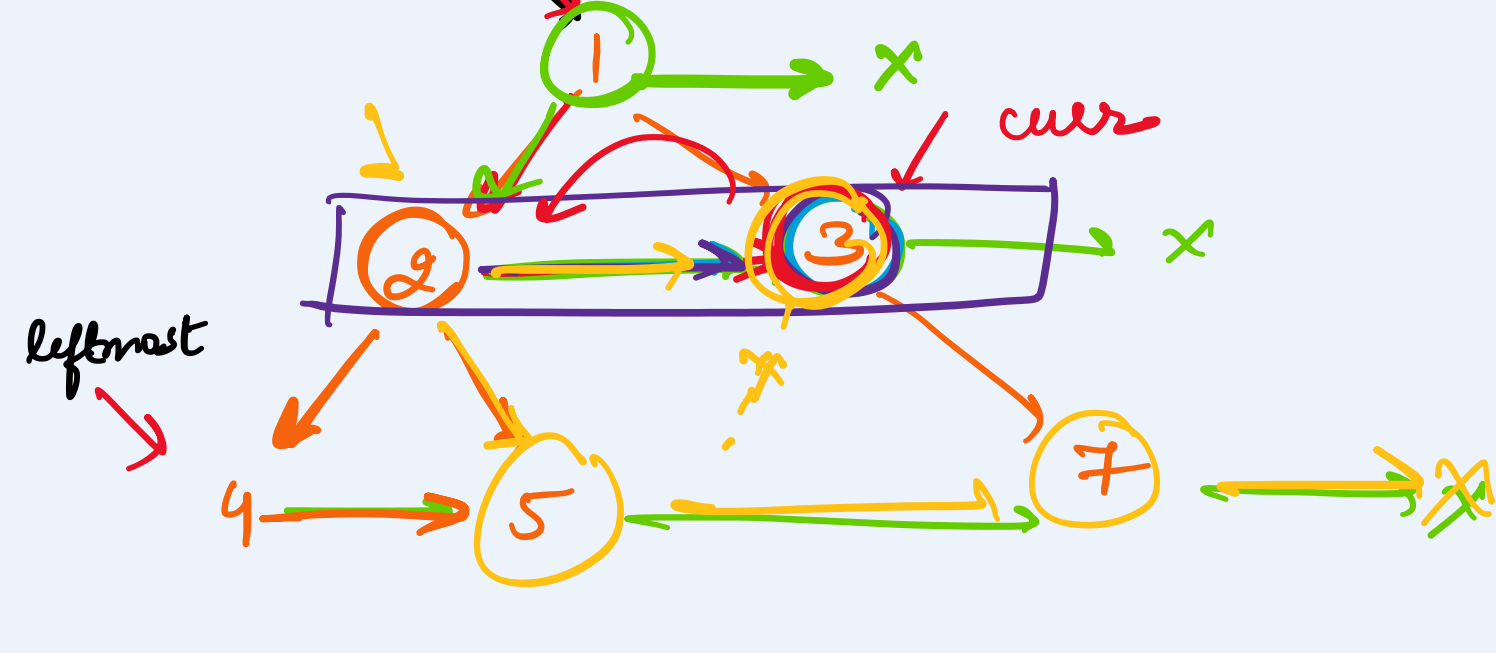
2 + 3 - 2 * 0 = 5

Approach ②:

Dist (n₁, n₂) = Dist (n₁, LCA) + Dist (n₂, LCA)

2 + 3 → 5

Q Populating right next pointers.



leftmost = root

while (leftmost != null)

curr = leftmost;

prev = null;

while (curr != null) {

→ process left child

→ process right child

→ move leftmost to next level

curr = curr.next;

}