

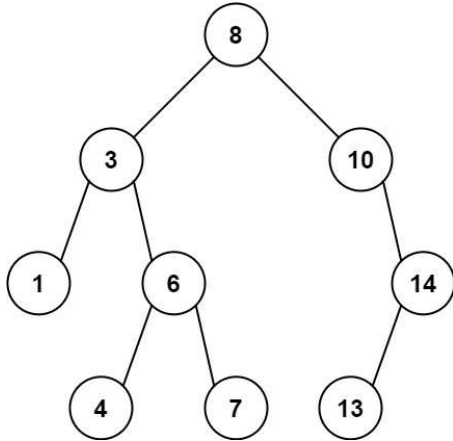
1026. Maximum Difference Between Node and Ancestor

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Given the `root` of a binary tree, find the maximum value `v` for which there exist **different** nodes `a` and `b` where $v = |a.val - b.val|$ and `a` is an ancestor of `b`.

A node `a` is an ancestor of `b` if either: any child of `a` is equal to `b` or any child of `a` is an ancestor of `b`.

Example 1:



Input: `root = [8,3,10,1,6,null,14,null,null,4,7,13]`

Output: 7

Explanation: We have various ancestor-node differences, some of which are given below :

$|8 - 3| = 5$

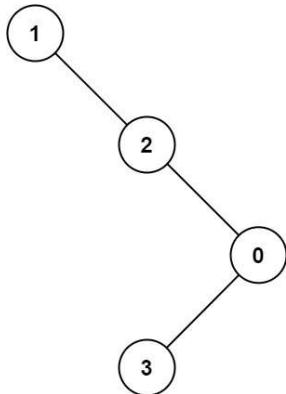
$|3 - 7| = 4$

$|8 - 1| = 7$

$|10 - 13| = 3$

Among all possible differences, the maximum value of 7 is obtained by $|8 - 1| = 7$.

Example 2:



Input: `root = [1,null,2,null,0,3]`

Output: 3

Constraints:

- The number of nodes in the tree is in the range $[2, 5000]$.
- $0 \leq \text{Node.val} \leq 10^5$

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1  /**
2   * Definition for a binary tree node.
3   * public class TreeNode {
4   *     int val;
5   *     TreeNode left;
6   *     TreeNode right;
7   *     TreeNode() {}
8   *     TreeNode(int val) { this.val = val; }
9   *     TreeNode(int val, TreeNode left, TreeNode right) {
10  *         this.val = val;
11  *         this.left = left;
12  *         this.right = right;
13  *     }
14  * }
15  */
16  class Solution {
17  *     public int maxAncestorDiff(TreeNode root) {
18  *     }
19  * }
20  }
```