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(hash('Murat')%3)+1
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# PARAPHRASE THE PROBLEM IN YOUR OWN WORDS
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# Inspect a binary tree starting from its root to understand if any duplicate values are present.
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# If duplicates are found, return the value of the duplicate node closest to the root.
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# If there are multiple duplicates, choose the one with the shortest distance to the root.
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# If no duplicates are found, return -1.
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# IN THE QUESTION 1 CONTAINING YOUR PROBLEM, THERE ARE EXAMPLES THAT ILLUSTRATE HOW THE CODE SHOULD WORK. CREATE 2 NEW EXAMPLES THAT DEMONST
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# Question 1 Example 1: Input: root = [1, 2, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7]
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# Question 1 Example 2: Input: root = [1, 10, 2, 3, 10, 12, 12]
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# Question 1 New Example 1: [1, 2, 2, 3, 4, 4, 3]
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# The tree is symmetric, and there are duplicate values (2 and 4). Closest duplicate to the root is 2.
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# 1
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# 2 2
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# 3 4 4 3
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# Question 1 New Example 2: [1, 2, 3, 4, 4, 3]
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# The tree is symmetric and there are duplicate values (4 and 3). Closest duplicate to the root is 4.
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# 1
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# 2 3
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# 4 4 3
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# CODE THE SOLUTION TO YOUR ASSIGNED PROBLEM IN PYTHON (CODE CHUNK). TRY TO FIND THE BEST TIME AND SPACE COMPLEXITY SOLUTION!
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# Definition for a binary tree node.
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class TreeNode:
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    def __init__(self, val=0, left=None, right=None):
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        self.val = val
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        self.left = left
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        self.right = right
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def is_symmetric(root: TreeNode) -> int:
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    if not root:
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        return -1
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    def dfs(node, seen):
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        if not node:
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            return -1
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        if node.val in seen:
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            return node.val
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        seen.add(node.val)
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        left_result = dfs(node.left, seen)
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        right_result = dfs(node.right, seen)
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        if left_result != -1:
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            return left_result
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        if right_result != -1:
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            return right_result
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        return -1
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    return dfs(root, set())
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# Example 1:
root = TreeNode(1)
root.left = TreeNode(2)
root.right = TreeNode(2)
root.left.left = TreeNode(3)
root.left.right = TreeNode(5)
root.right.left = TreeNode(6)
root.right.right = TreeNode(7)

result = is_symmetric(root)
if result != -1:
    print("The closest duplicate value to the root is:", result)
else:
    print("No duplicate values found.")

    The closest duplicate value to the root is: 2
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# Example 2:
root = TreeNode(1)
root.left = TreeNode(10)
root.right = TreeNode(2)
root.left.left = TreeNode(3)
root.left.right = TreeNode(10)
root.right.left = TreeNode(12)
root.right.right = TreeNode(12)

result = is_symmetric(root)
if result != -1:
    print("The closest duplicate value to the root is:", result)
else:
    print("No duplicate values found.")

    The closest duplicate value to the root is: 10
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# New Example 1:
root = TreeNode(1)
root.left = TreeNode(2)
root.right = TreeNode(2)
root.left.left = TreeNode(3)
root.left.right = TreeNode(4)
root.right.left = TreeNode(4)
root.right.right = TreeNode(3)

result = is_symmetric(root)
if result != -1:
    print("The closest duplicate value to the root is:", result)
else:
    print("No duplicate values found.")

    The closest duplicate value to the root is: 2
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# New Example 2:
root = TreeNode(1)
root.left = TreeNode(2)
root.right = TreeNode(3)
root.left.left = TreeNode(4)
root.left.right = TreeNode(4)
root.right.left = TreeNode(3)

result = is_symmetric(root)
if result != -1:
    print("The closest duplicate value to the root is:", result)
else:
    print("No duplicate values found.")

    The closest duplicate value to the root is: 4
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EXPLAIN WHY YOUR SOLUTION WORKS

The solution functions as recursively traversing the tree. It is controlled whether node's value is already in the seen values, at each node.
 # If so, it returns that value, and indicates that a duplicate closest to the root. Otherwise, it proceeds with subtrees.
 # If there is a duplicate, it returns that value. If there is no duplicate, it returns -1.

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# EXPLAIN THE PROBLEM'S AND SPACE COMPLEXITY
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# Time complexity: These notes are from our lesson slides: "The time complexity of recursion depends on the number of time the function call  
# Factorial: the fact is called n times before reaching the base case so its  $O(1n) = O(n)$  If a recursive function called itself twice, then  
# In this problem complexity; time complexity is  $O(n)$ . As in the notes, n is the number of nodes. We traverse each node once.
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# Space complexity: These are from our lesson slides: Space complexity of recursion
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# Notice the call stack takes up space in memory. How much depends on the depth of the recursion. Think about the maximum amount of space th  
# Factorial:  $O(n)$ , when recursion reaches the base case Even when you have multiple branches, it's possible only 1 branch at depth n is in m  
# Here, the space complexity is also  $O(n)$  due to the recursion stack and the set used to store values.
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# EXPLAIN THE THINKING TO AN ALTERNATIVE SOLUTION (NO CODING REQUIRED, BUT A CLASSMATE READING THIS SHOULD BE ABLE TO CODE IT UP BASED OFF Y
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# A breadth-first search (BFS) traversal of the tree can be used. It checks for duplicates level by level.
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# A queue to perform BFS traversal can be used.
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# At every level, we can keep track of seen values.
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# Whenever a duplicate value comes, we return it as closest duplicate to the root.
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