



Introduction to Trees 2

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DFS Problem 1

$N-1$ edges
 N nodes



You're given a tree with nodes numbered from 0 to $N - 1$, rooted at 0.

Find the level of each node assuming level of root = 0

A diagram of a tree with four nodes. The root node is at the top left. To its right are two children, each with a red double underline above it. Below the root are two more children, also with red double underlines above them. A red arrow points from the text below to the third child node, which has a red double underline above it.
$$\text{level}(x) = \text{dist}(\text{root}, x)$$

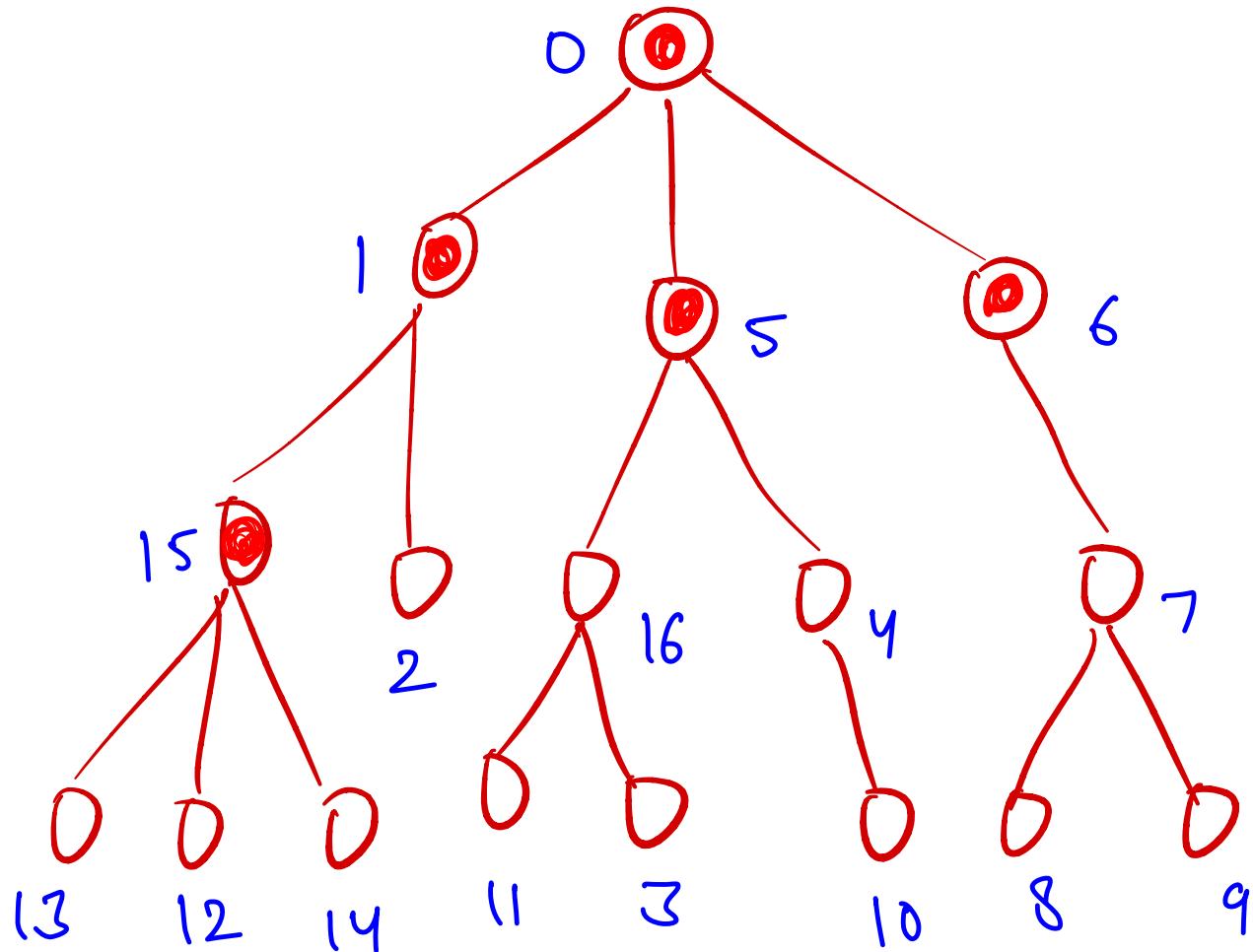
$$\text{level}(x) = k$$

$$\text{level}(p(x)) = k-1$$

$$\text{level}(c(x)) = k+1$$

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0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16			

level



DFS Problem 2



You're given a tree with nodes numbered from 0 to $N - 1$, rooted at 0.

Find the parent of each node assuming parent of root = -1

V. Easy Based on problem 1

DFS Problem 3



You're given a tree with nodes numbered from 0 to $N - 1$, rooted at 0.

Find the number of children of each node

① find out no. of times we did the dfs call going down from the current node

②

$\text{edges}[i].size()$ → no. of neighbours

— root node → $\text{edges}[i].size()$, non-root → $\text{edges}[i].size() - 1$

DFS Problem 4

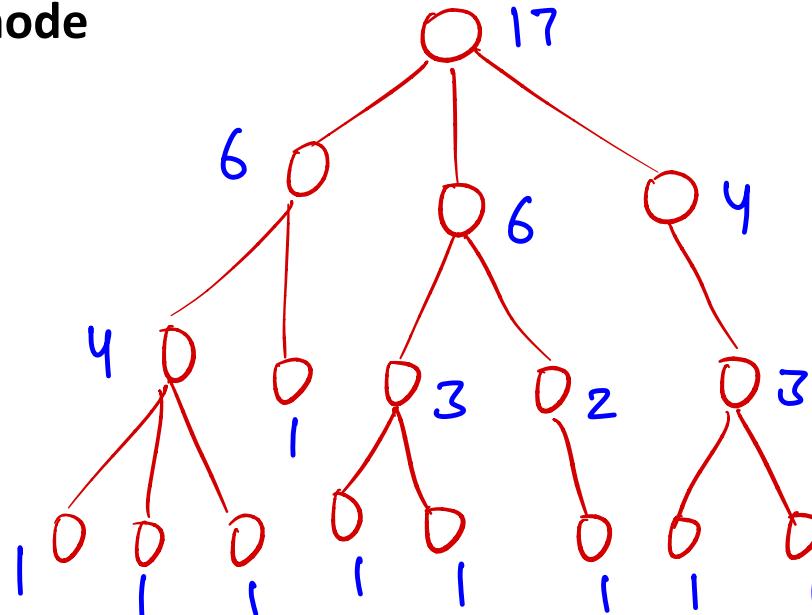
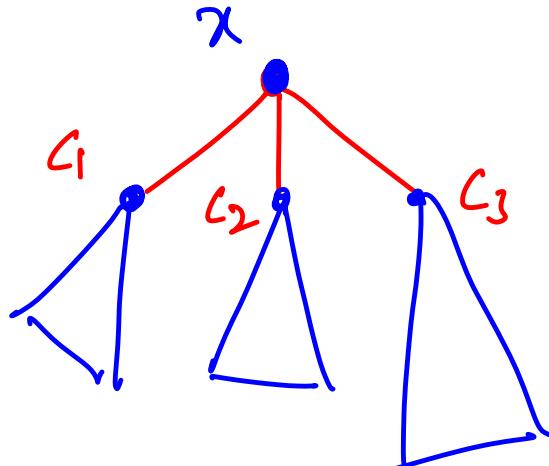
$$\text{sub}[\text{leaf}] = 1$$

$$\text{sub}[x] = 1 + \sum_{c_i \in \text{children}(x)} \text{sub}[c_i]$$



You're given a tree with nodes numbered from 0 to N - 1, rooted at 0.

Find the subtree size of each node



non (leaf node ← $f(x) = 1 + \max(f(\text{child}))$

DFS Problem 5

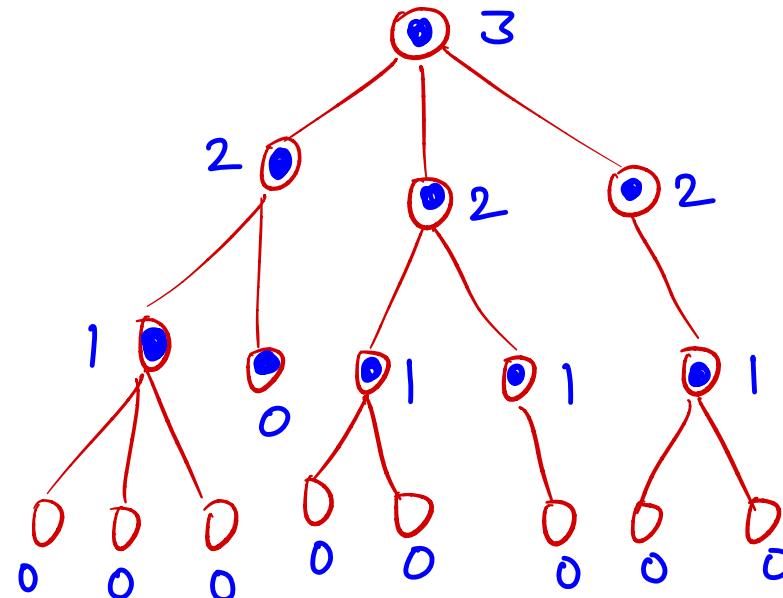
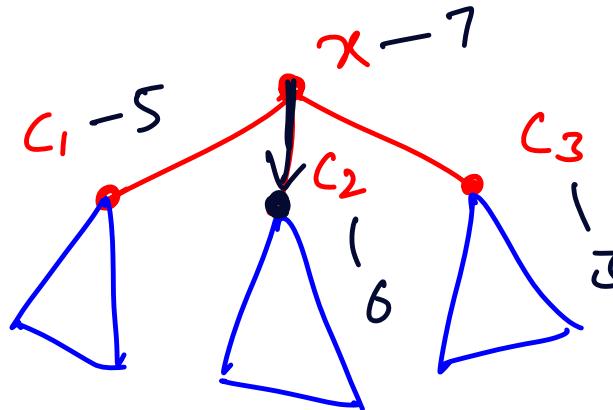
$$f(\text{leaf}) = 0$$



You're given a tree with nodes numbered from 0 to $N - 1$, rooted at 0.

Find the farthest leaf node from each node in its subtree

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distance of



DFS

②

①

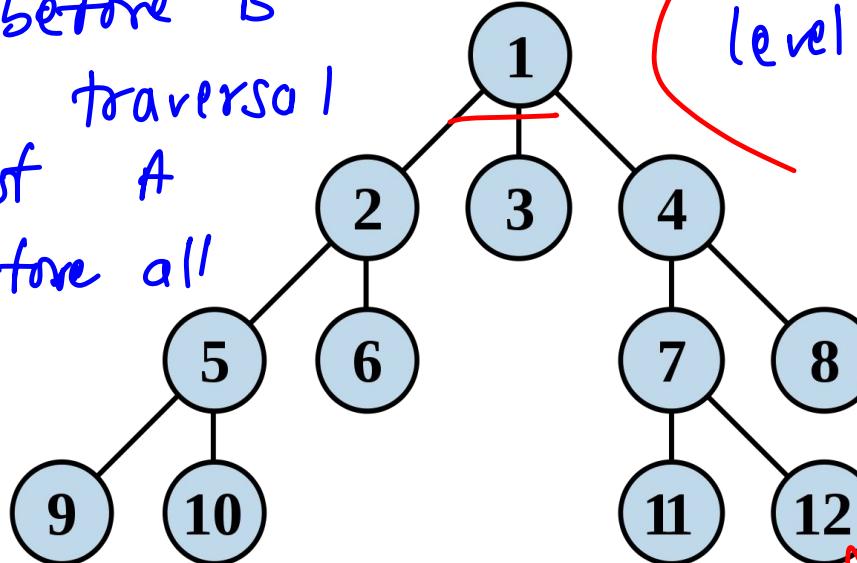
ans of curr node depends
upon ans of descendants

ans of curr node
depends upon ans of ancestors

↓

BFS Traversal in a Tree

if A comes before B
in the BFS traversal
all children of A
must come before all
children of B



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BFS



vs
level order traversal

order of nodes
in the same
level matters

for BFS and does
not matter
for level order

Nodes are numbered in the order in which they are visited

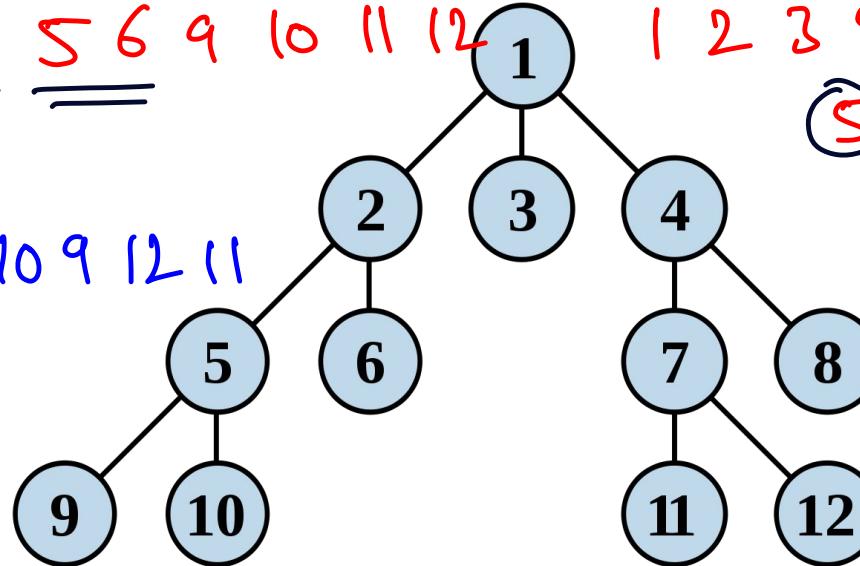
BFS Traversal in a Tree

(Examples)



1 2 3 4 7 8
5 6 9 10 11 12

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BFS Traversal in a Tree - Code O(N)

```
void solve(){
    int n; cin >> n;
    vector<vector<int>> adj(n);
    for(int i = 0; i < n - 1; i++){
        int u, v;
        cin >> u >> v;
        u--, v--;
        adj[u].push_back(v);
        adj[v].push_back(u);
    }
    int root = 0; cin >> root;
    vector<int> bfs_traversal;
    queue<int> qu;
    vector<bool> visited(n, false);
    qu.push(root);
    visited[root] = true;
    while(!qu.empty()){
        int currentNode = qu.front();
        qu.pop();
        bfs_traversal.push_back(currentNode);
        for(int neighbour : adj[currentNode]){
            if(!visited[neighbour]){
                visited[neighbour] = true;
                qu.push(neighbour);
            }
        }
    }
}
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Diameter of a Tree

(any 2 points which have
the maximum distance b/w them)



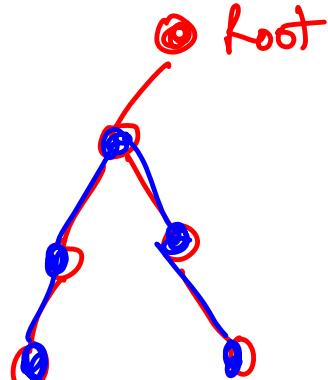
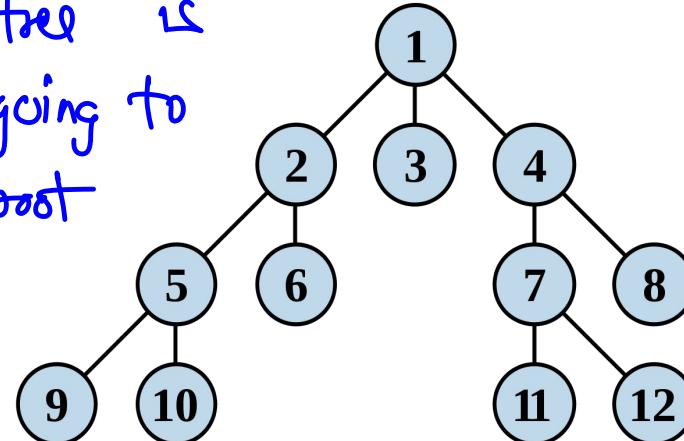
Diameter of a tree is the maximum distance between any 2 nodes in the tree.

Example: Diameter of the tree below is 6 (9 to 12)

Note: 9 to 11, 10 to 11, 10 to 12 also form the diameters of the tree.

diameter of tree is
not necessarily
pass from the
root

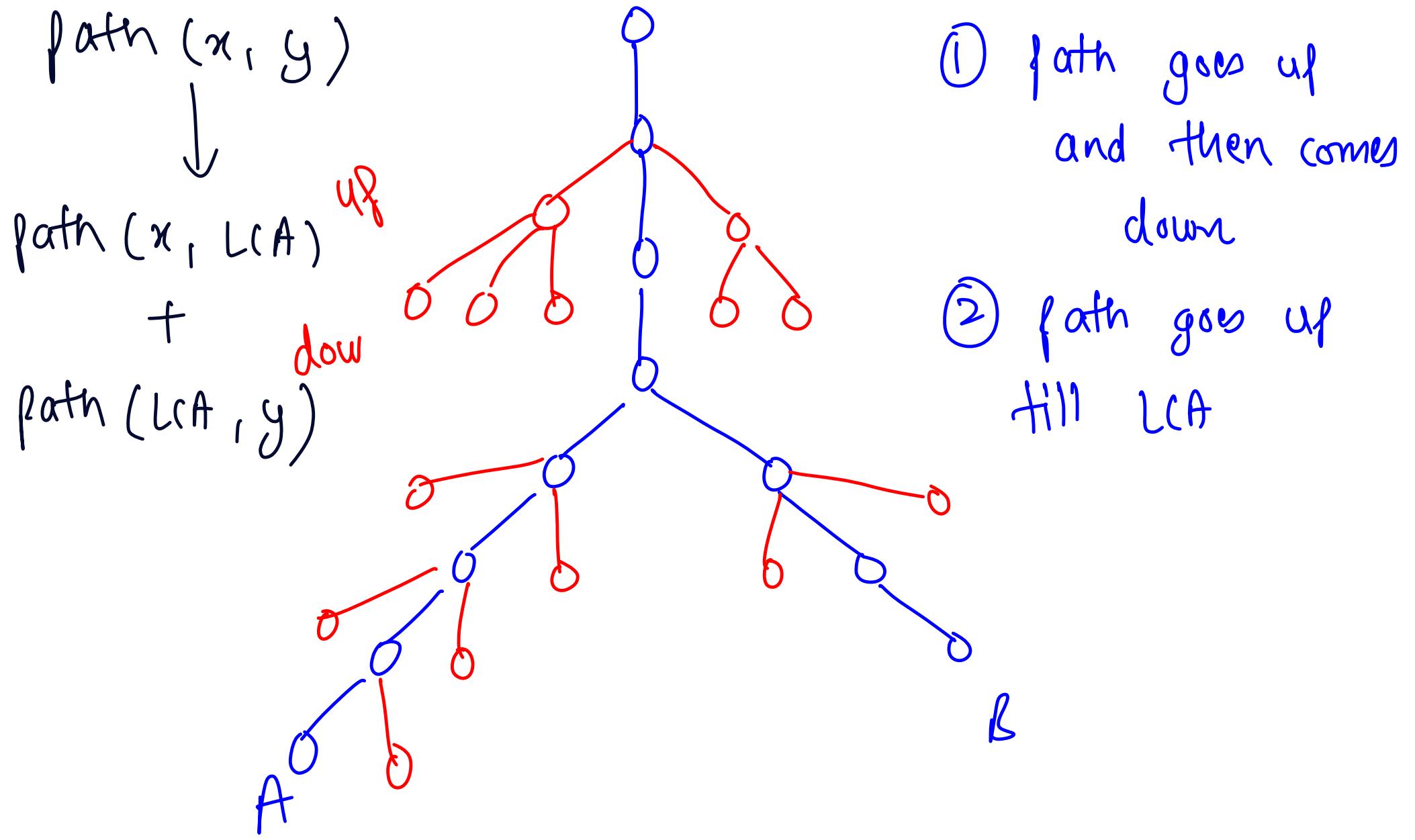
diameter is a
path

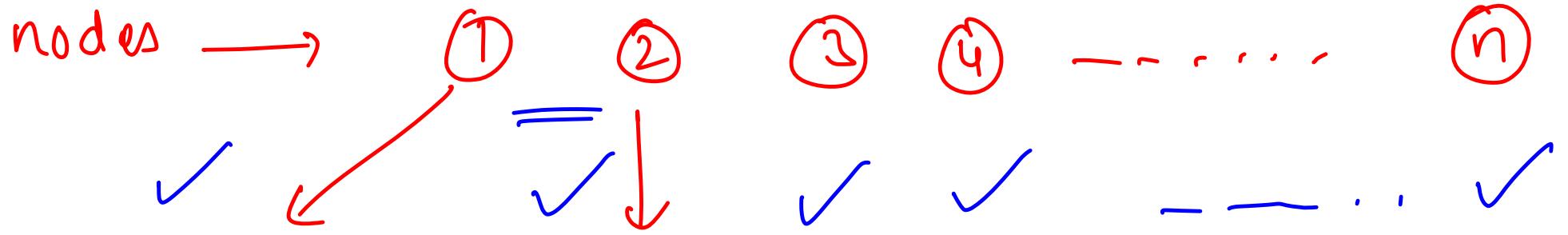




Finding Diameter - Approach 1

- Find the longest path passing through each node in which that node is the LCA.
 - Longest path for X = Sum of distances of farthest 2 leaves in the subtree of X such that the 2 leaves are not chosen from the same child of X
- Diameter = length of longest path passing through any node in which that node is the LCA



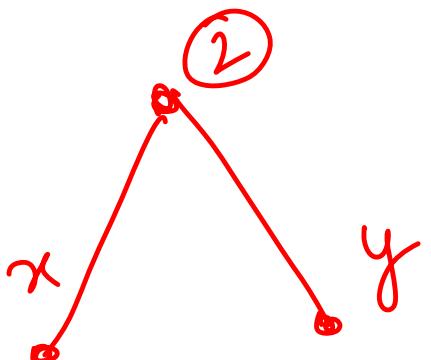
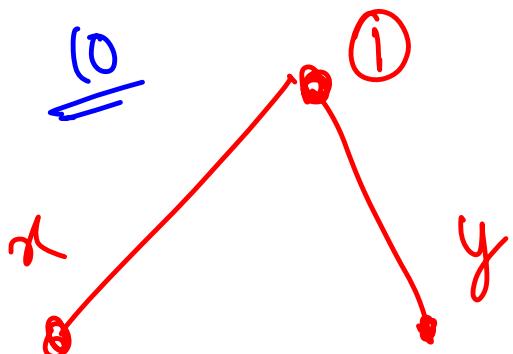


LCA in some paths

LCA in some paths

m_3

$\text{paths}_i \cap \text{path}_j = \emptyset$
 $i \neq j$



path in which
1 is LCA and has
maximum distance among
all paths in which 1 is
the LCA

$\bigcup_{i=1}^N \text{paths}_i = \text{all paths}$
in the tree

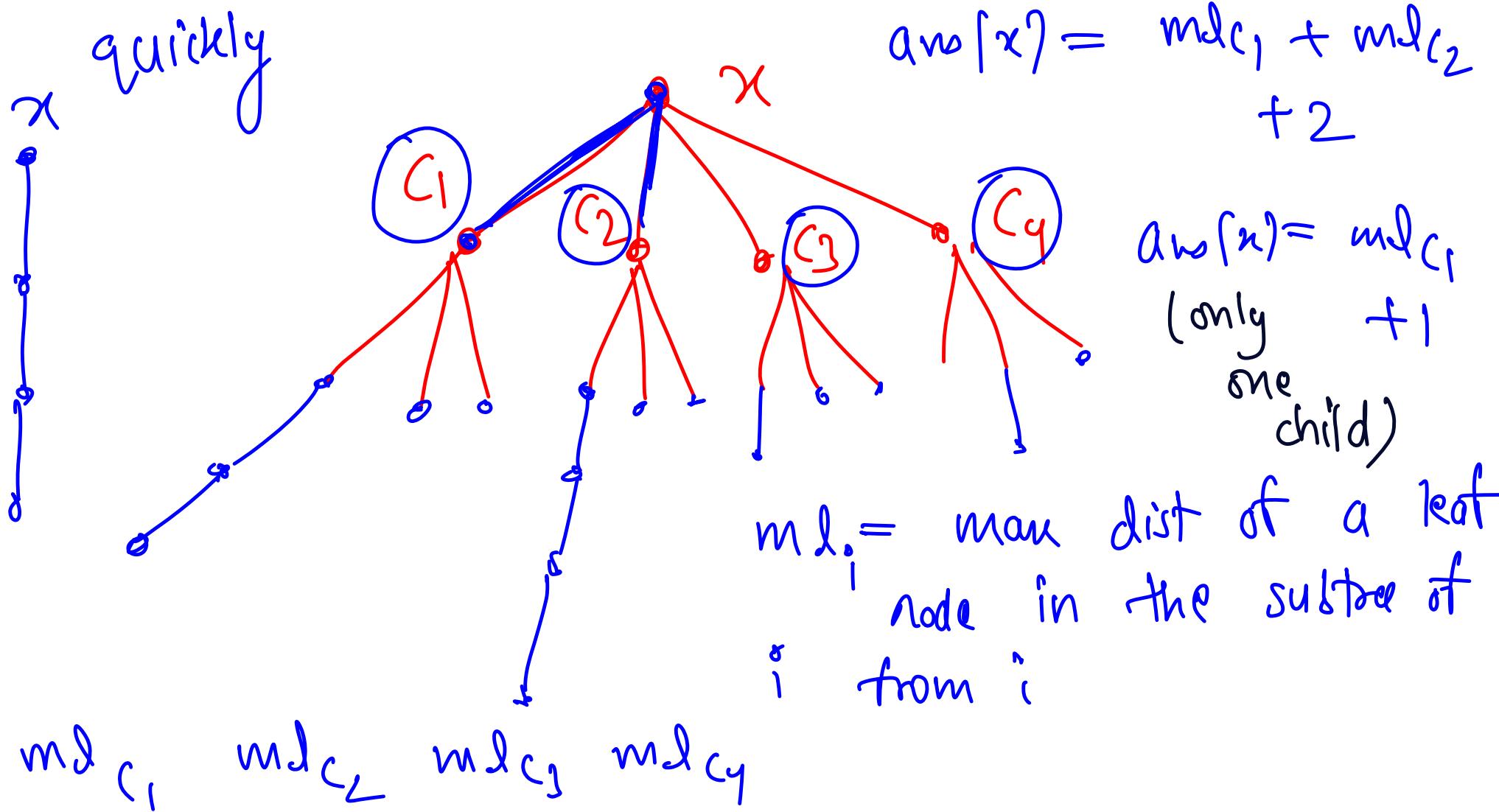
m_2

m_1

diameter = $\max(m_1, m_2, \dots, m_n)$

node $\rightarrow x$

find out the path with maximum distance
such that x is the LCA in that path



Rooted tree \rightarrow farthest node from the deepest node in the tree



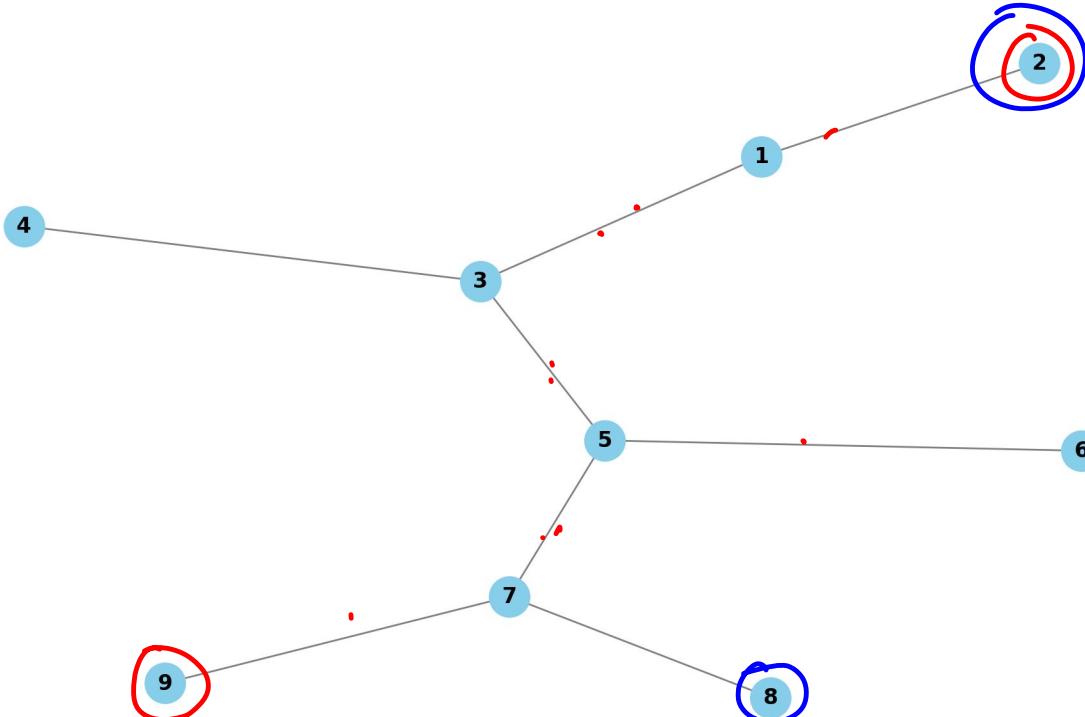
Finding Diameter - Approach 2

- Pick any node X
- Find the distance to every node in the tree from X call it DistX[i]
- Find the node which has the highest value of DistX[i] and call it Y
 - If multiple such nodes exist, pick any of them
- Find the distance to every node in the tree from Y call it DistY[i]
- Find the node which has the highest value of DistY[i] and call it Z
 - If multiple such nodes exist, pick any of them
- Diameter = Length of path between Y and Z



Visualising Approach 2

X	Y
4	9,8
3	9,8
5	2
7	2
8	2
9	2
6	2
1	9,8
2	9,8





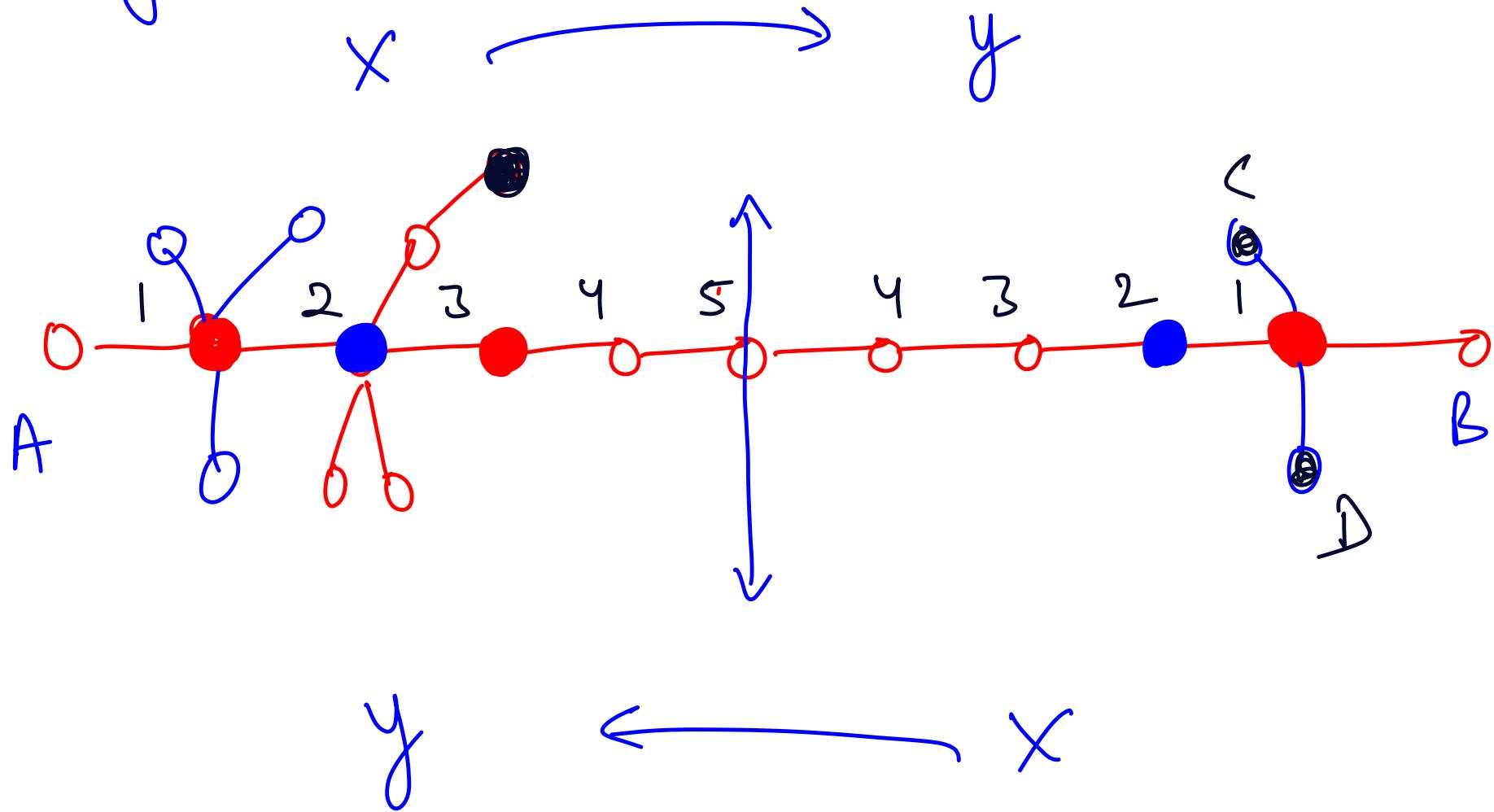
Idea of Proof of Correctness

Node Y is bound to be one of the endpoints of a diameter.

- Node Z is bound to be the other endpoint of the diameter.

requires a proof

Assuming A, B is the diameter



Ancestor Problem

$x, y \rightarrow LCA(x, y) = x$ → can't solve it right now



You're given a tree with N nodes numbered from 0 to N - 1, rooted at 0.

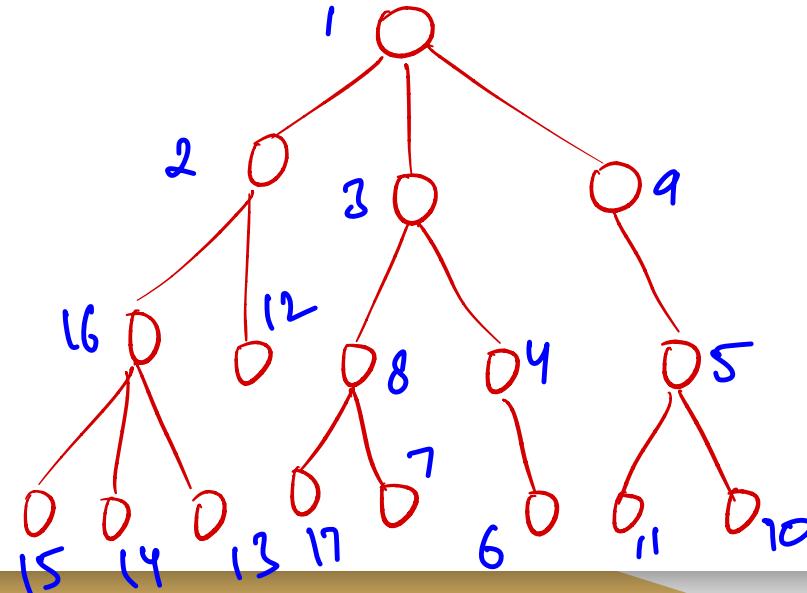
Process Q queries such that in each query you get X_i and Y_i . Find out if X_i is an ancestor of Y_i or not.

$1 \leq N, Q \leq 10^5$

(1, 12) → yes

(2, 12) → no

(8, 1) → no



0 1 13

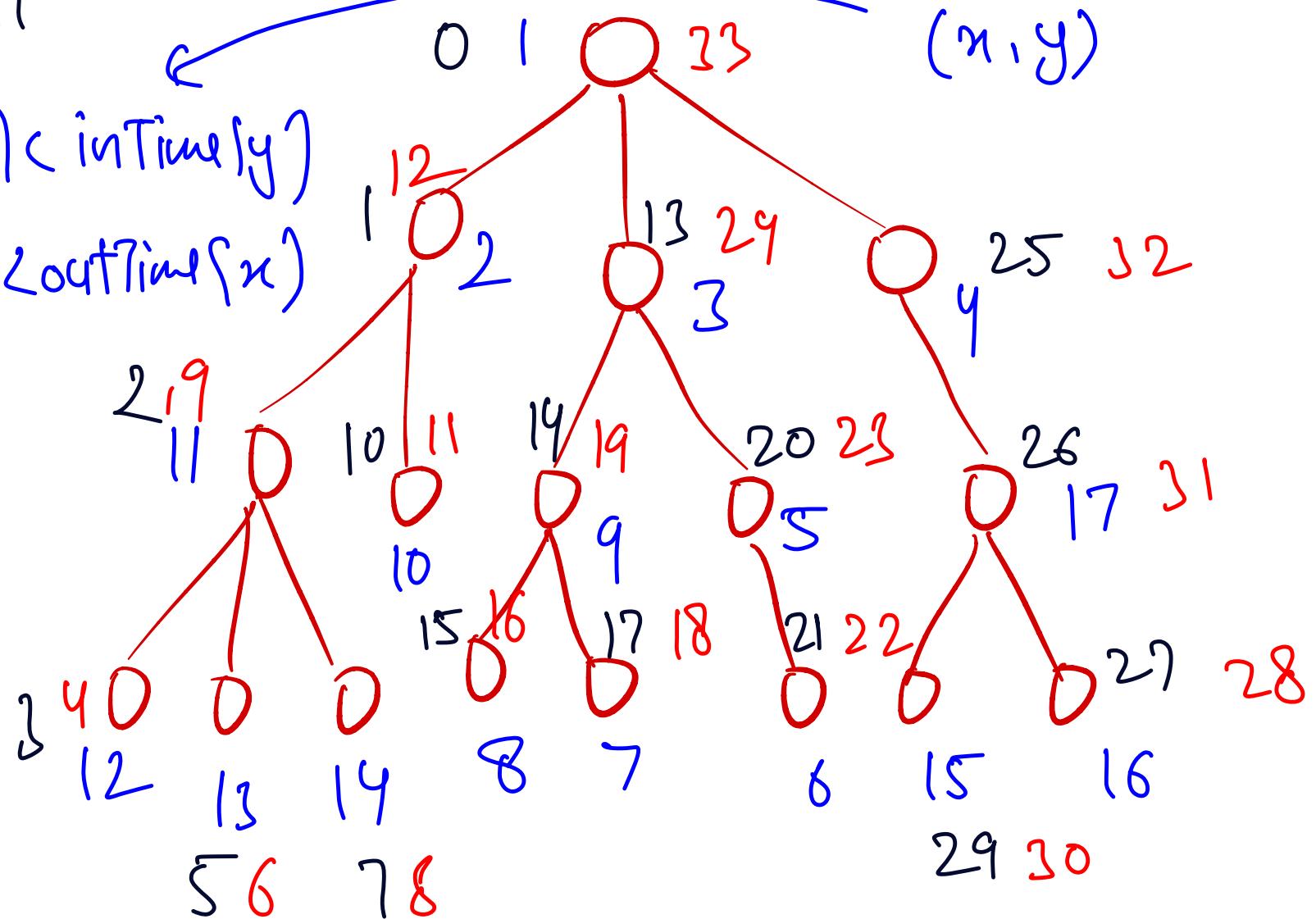
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12

18 26 19 11 9 4 6 8

in out

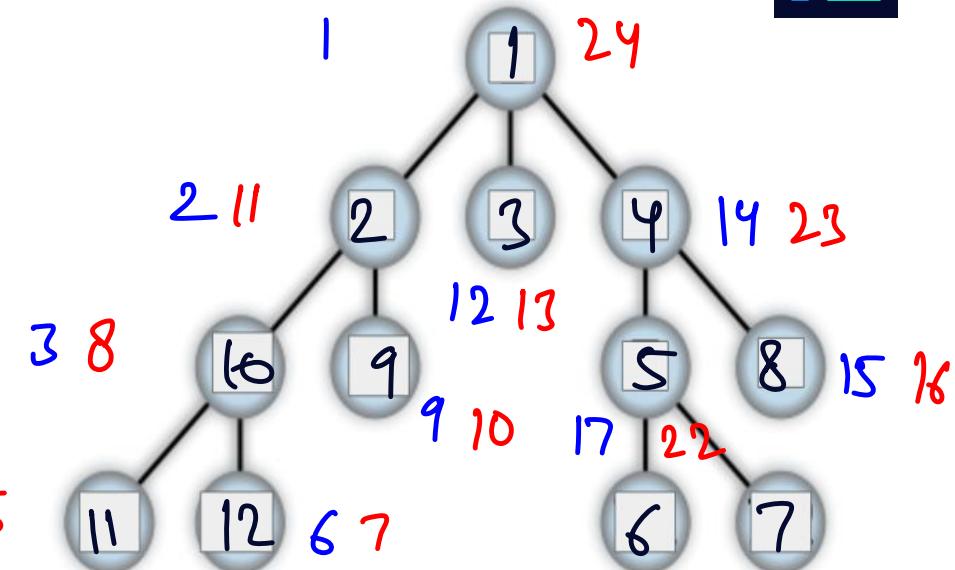
intime[x] < intime[y]
outTime[y] > outTime[x]





In - Out Time trick

- Do a DFS traversal.
- Store the following information for each node:
- First visited time = In time
- Last visited time = out time



$\text{intime}[4] < \text{intime}[6] < \text{outTime}[6] < \text{outTime}[4]$

14 18 19 23 18 19 20 21

Solve the Ancestor Problem In - Out Time



If X is an ancestor of Y

$$X_{\text{in time}} < Y_{\text{in time}} < Y_{\text{out time}} < X_{\text{out time}}$$