

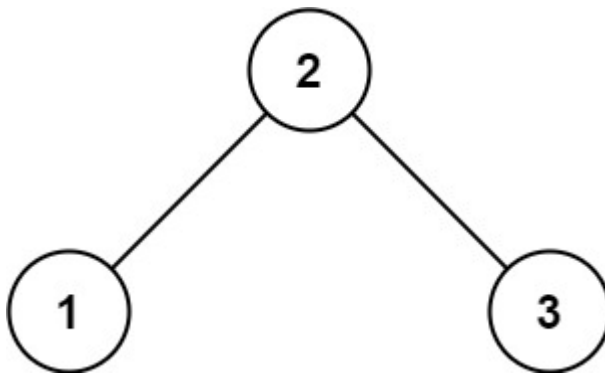
## **98. Validate Binary Search Tree**

Given the root of a binary tree, determine if it is a valid binary search tree (BST).

*A valid BST is defined as follows:*

- The left subtree of a node contains only nodes with keys less than the node's key.
- The right subtree of a node contains only nodes with keys greater than the node's key.
- Both the left and right subtrees must also be binary search trees.

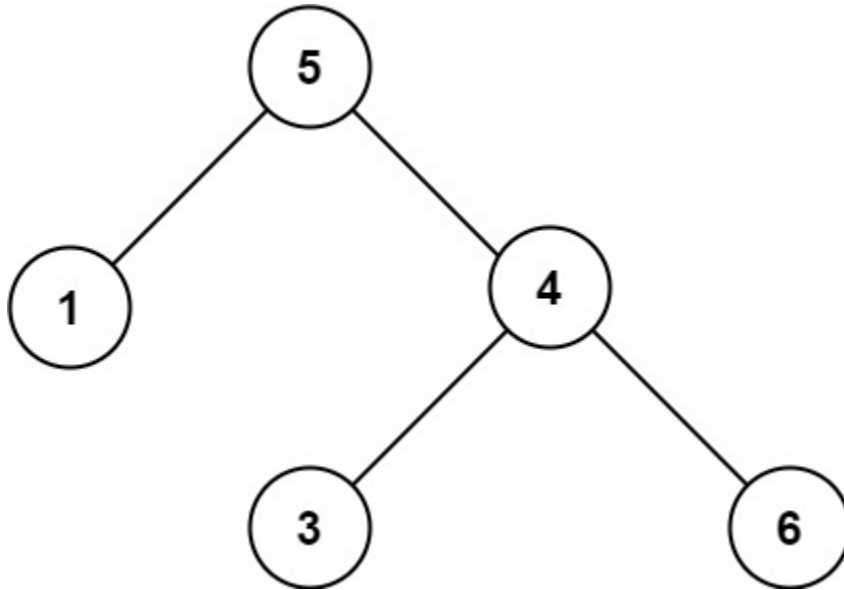
### **Example 1:**



**Input:** root = [2,1,3]

**Output:** true

### **Example 2:**



**Input:** root = [5,1,4,null,null,3,6]

**Output:** false

**Explanation:** The root node's value is 5 but its right child's value is 4.

### **Constraints:**

- The number of nodes in the tree is in the range [1, 104].
- $-2^{31} \leq \text{Node.val} \leq 2^{31} - 1$