

Problem 2277: Closest Node to Path in Tree

Problem Information

Difficulty: Hard

Acceptance Rate: 62.21%

Paid Only: Yes

Tags: Array, Tree, Depth-First Search, Breadth-First Search

Problem Description

You are given a positive integer `n` representing the number of nodes in a tree, numbered from `0` to `n - 1` (**inclusive**). You are also given a 2D integer array `edges` of length `n - 1`, where `edges[i] = [node1i, node2i]` denotes that there is a **bidirectional** edge connecting `node1i` and `node2i` in the tree.

You are given a **0-indexed** integer array `query` of length `m` where `query[i] = [starti, endi, nodei]` means that for the `i`th query, you are tasked with finding the node on the path from `starti` to `endi` that is **closest** to `nodei`.

Return an integer array `answer` of length `m`, where `answer[i]` is the answer to the `i`th query.

Example 1:



Input: `n = 7, edges = [[0,1],[0,2],[0,3],[1,4],[2,5],[2,6]], query = [[5,3,4],[5,3,6]]` **Output:** `[0,2]` **Explanation:** The path from node 5 to node 3 consists of the nodes 5, 2, 0, and 3. The distance between node 4 and node 0 is 2. Node 0 is the node on the path closest to node 4, so the answer to the first query is 0. The distance between node 6 and node 2 is 1. Node 2 is the node on the path closest to node 6, so the answer to the second query is 2.

Example 2:



Input: n = 3, edges = [[0,1],[1,2]], query = [[0,1,2]] **Output:** [1] **Explanation:** The path from node 0 to node 1 consists of the nodes 0, 1. The distance between node 2 and node 1 is 1. Node 1 is the node on the path closest to node 2, so the answer to the first query is 1.

Example 3:



Input: n = 3, edges = [[0,1],[1,2]], query = [[0,0,0]] **Output:** [0] **Explanation:** The path from node 0 to node 0 consists of the node 0. Since 0 is the only node on the path, the answer to the first query is 0.

Constraints:

$1 \leq n \leq 1000$ * $\text{edges.length} == n - 1$ * $\text{edges}[i].\text{length} == 2$ * $0 \leq \text{node1}_i, \text{node2}_i \leq n - 1$ * $\text{node1}_i \neq \text{node2}_i$ * $1 \leq \text{query.length} \leq 1000$ * $\text{query}[i].\text{length} == 3$ * $0 \leq \text{start}_i, \text{end}_i, \text{node}_i \leq n - 1$ * The graph is a tree.

Code Snippets

C++:

```
class Solution {
public:
    vector<int> closestNode(int n, vector<vector<int>>& edges,
        vector<vector<int>>& query) {

    }
};
```

Java:

```
class Solution {
    public int[] closestNode(int n, int[][] edges, int[][] query) {

    }
}
```

Python3:

```
class Solution:
    def closestNode(self, n: int, edges: List[List[int]], query: List[List[int]])
        -> List[int]:
```