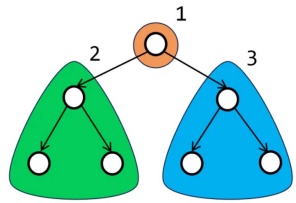


**TREE**

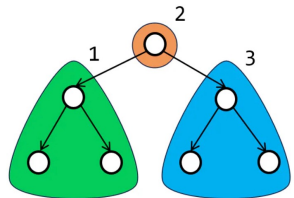
# Tree Traversals

## Depth-First Traversals

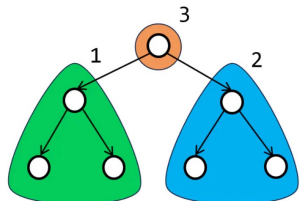
- **Pre-order:** Root - Left - Right



- **In-order:** Left - Root - Right



- **Post-order:** Left - Right - Root



## Breadth-First Traversal (Level Order Traversal)

Visit every node on a level before moving to a lower level.

# Tree Traversals

## Depth-First Traversals

Use a recursive algorithm to traverse according to the order

- **Pre-order:** Root - Left - Right



```
if (!root) return;  
doSomething();  
visit(node.left);  
visit(node.right);
```

- **In-order:** Left - Root - Right



```
if (!root) return;  
visit(node.left);  
doSomething();  
visit(node.right);
```

- **Post-order:** Left - Right - Root



```
if (!root) return;  
visit(node.left);  
visit(node.right);  
doSomething();
```

# Tree Traversals

## Example of pre-order and in-order

```
struct TreeNode {
    int val;
    TreeNode *left, *right;
    TreeNode(int x) : val(x), left(nullptr), right(nullptr) {}
};

// Pre-order traversal
void preorderTraversal(TreeNode* root) {
    if (root == nullptr) return;
    cout << root->val << " ";
    preorderTraversal(root->left);
    preorderTraversal(root->right);
}

// In-order traversal
void inorderTraversal(TreeNode* root) {
    if (root == nullptr) return;
    inorderTraversal(root->left);
    cout << root->val << " ";
    inorderTraversal(root->right);
}
```

# Tree Traversals

## Example of post-order and level-order

```
struct TreeNode {
    int val;
    TreeNode *left, *right;
    TreeNode(int x) : val(x), left(nullptr), right(nullptr) {}
};

// Post-order traversal
void postorderTraversal(TreeNode* root) {
    if (root == nullptr) return;
    postorderTraversal(root->left);
    postorderTraversal(root->right);
    cout << root->val << " ";
}

// Level-order traversal using a queue
void levelOrderTraversal(TreeNode* root) {
    if (root == nullptr) return;
    queue<TreeNode*> q;
    q.push(root);
    while (!q.empty()) {
        TreeNode* current = q.front();
        q.pop();
        cout << current->val << " ";
        if (current->left != nullptr) q.push(current->left);
        if (current->right != nullptr) q.push(current->right);
    }
}
```

# Problem – Maximum Depth of Binary Tree

Easy

 <https://leetcode.com/problems/maximum-depth-of-binary-tree>

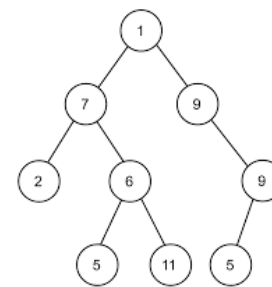
## Problem Statement

- Given the root of a binary tree, find the maximum depth

- Example:**

root = [1,7,9,2,6,null,9,null,null,5,11,5,null]

- Output:** 4



# Solution – Maximum Depth of Binary Tree

Easy

 LeetCode <https://leetcode.com/problems/maximum-depth-of-binary-tree>

## Solution

- Perform **post-order** traversal: left - right - root
- Recursively go left and right to find each value
- Return the max of each one

# Code – Maximum Depth of Binary Tree

Easy

 <https://leetcode.com/problems/maximum-depth-of-binary-tree>

```
int maxDepth(TreeNode* root) {  
    if (!root) return 0;  
    // find max left  
    int maxLeft = maxDepth(root->left);  
    // find max right  
    int maxRight = maxDepth(root->right);  
    // return max +1 (account for root)  
    return std::max(maxLeft, maxRight) + 1;  
}
```



# Problem – Kth Smallest Element in a BST

Medium

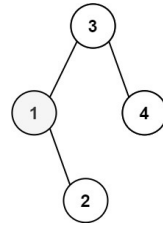
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Given the **root** of a binary search tree, and an integer **k**, return the **k<sup>th</sup>** smallest value (1-indexed) of all the values of the nodes in the tree.

## Example 1

Input: root = [3,1,4,null,2], k = 1

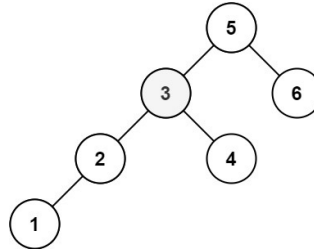
Output: 1



## Example 2

Input: root = [5,3,6,2,4,null,null,1], k = 3

Output: 3



# Solution – Maximum Depth of Binary Tree

Medium

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```
int kthSmallest(TreeNode* root, int k) {
    int count = 0;
    int output;
    traverse(root, count, output, k);
    return output;
}

// perform in-order traversal: left, node, right
void traverse(TreeNode* node, int& count, int &output, int k) {
    if (!node) return;
    traverse(node->left, count, output, k);
    count++;
    if (count == k) {
        output = node->val;
        return;
    }
    traverse(node->right, count, output, k);
}
```