

124. Binary Tree Maximum Path Sum

Difficulty : Hard

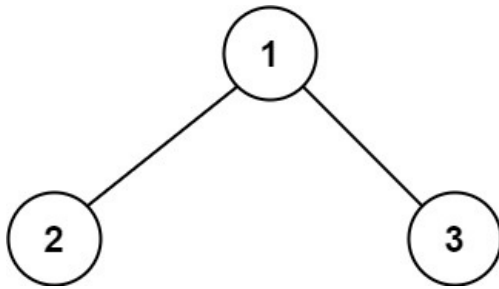
<https://leetcode.com/problems/binary-tree-maximum-path-sum>

A **path** in a binary tree is a sequence of nodes where each pair of adjacent nodes in the sequence has an edge connecting them. A node can only appear in the sequence **at most once**. Note that the path does not need to pass through the root.

The **path sum** of a path is the sum of the node's values in the path.

Given the root of a binary tree, return *the maximum **path sum** of any **non-empty** path*.

Example 1:

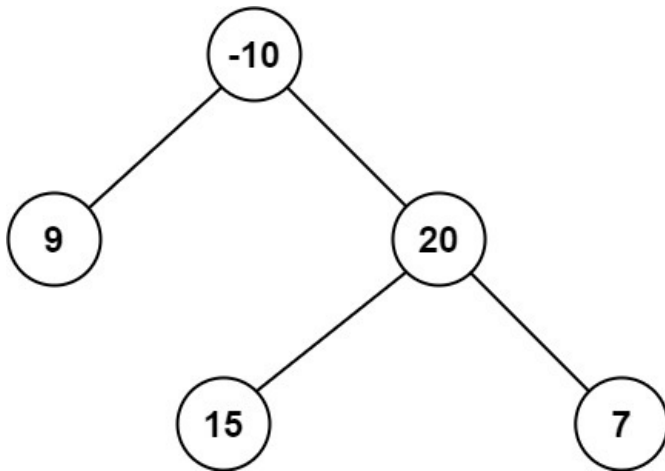


Input: root = [1,2,3]

Output: 6

Explanation: The optimal path is 2 -> 1 -> 3 with a path sum of 2 + 1 + 3 = 6.

Example 2:



Input: root = [-10,9,20,null,null,15,7]

Output: 42

Explanation: The optimal path is 15 -> 20 -> 7 with a path sum of 15 + 20 + 7 = 42.

Constraints:

- The number of nodes in the tree is in the range [1, 3 * 10⁴].
- -1000 <= Node.val <= 1000