124. Binary Tree Maximum Path Sum

Given a **non-empty** binary tree, find the maximum path sum.

For this problem, a path is defined as any sequence of nodes from some starting node to any node in the tree along the parent-child connections. The path must contain **at least one node** and does not need to go through the root.

Example 1:

```
Input: [1,2,3]

       1
      / \
     2   3

Output: 6
```

Example 2:

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

   -10
   / \
  9  20
    /  \
   15   7

Output: 42
```

Time: O(n)

Space:O(lgn) n = nodes #

```
class Solution {
    int max;
    public int maxPathSum(TreeNode root) {
        max = Integer.MIN_VALUE;
        helper(root);
        return max;
    }
    private int helper(TreeNode root) {
        if (root == null) return 0;
        int l = Math.max(0, helper(root.left));
        int r = Math.max(0, helper(root.right));
        max = Math.max(max, l + r + root.val);
        return Math.max(l, r) + root.val;
    }
}
```

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