

Prompt

Scratchpad

Our Solution(s)

Video Explanation

**Difficulty:** ■ **Category:** Binary Trees **Successful Submissions:** 45,893+

## Branch Sums

Write a function that takes in a Binary Tree and returns a list of its branch sums ordered from leftmost branch sum to rightmost branch sum.

A branch sum is the sum of all values in a Binary Tree branch. A Binary Tree branch is a path of nodes in a tree that starts at the root node and ends at any leaf node.

Each `BinaryTree` node has an integer `value`, a `left` child node, and a `right` child node. Children nodes can either be `BinaryTree` nodes themselves or `None` / `null`.

### Sample Input

```
tree =      1
           /  \
          2    3
         /  \  /  \
        4    5 6    7
       /  \  /
      8   9 10
```

### Sample Output

```
[15, 16, 18, 10, 11]
// 15 == 1 + 2 + 4 + 8
// 16 == 1 + 2 + 4 + 9
// 18 == 1 + 2 + 5 + 10
// 10 == 1 + 3 + 6
// 11 == 1 + 3 + 7
```

# Hints

## Hint 1



Try traversing the Binary Tree in a depth-first-search-like fashion.

## Hint 2



Recursively traverse the Binary Tree in a depth-first-search-like fashion, and pass a running sum of the values of every previously-visited node to each node that you're traversing.

## Hint 3



As you recursively traverse the tree, if you reach a leaf node (a node with no "left" or "right" Binary Tree nodes), add the relevant running sum that you've calculated to a list of sums (which you'll also have to pass to the recursive function). If you reach a node that isn't a leaf node, keep recursively traversing its children nodes, passing the correctly updated running sum to them.

## Optimal Space & Time Complexity



$O(n)$  time |  $O(n)$  space - where  $n$  is the number of nodes in the Binary Tree