

# **Presentation**



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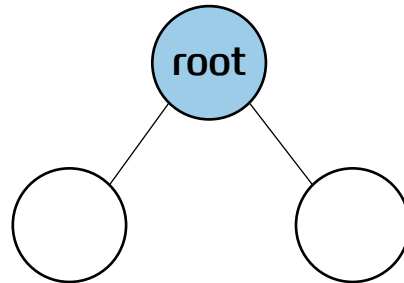
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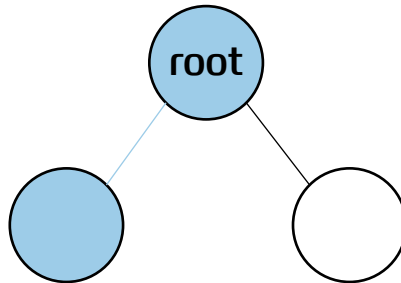
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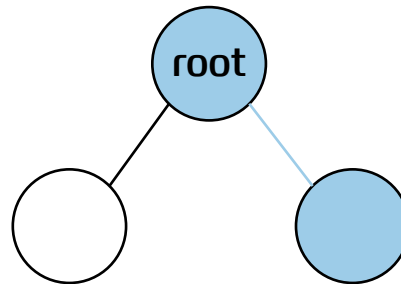
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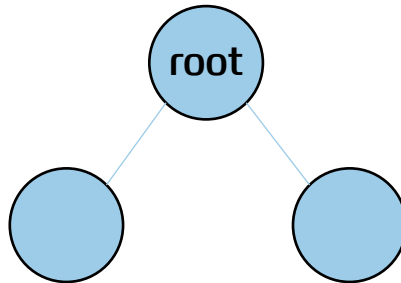
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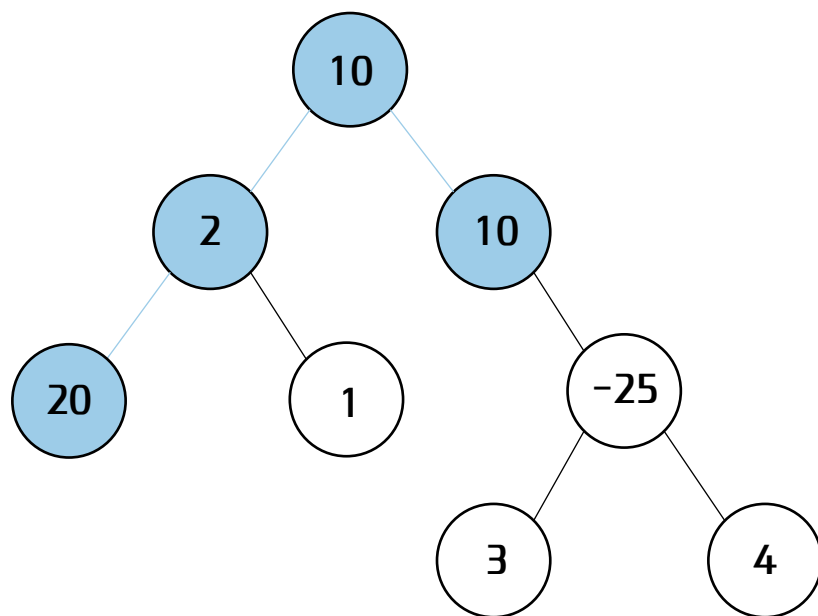
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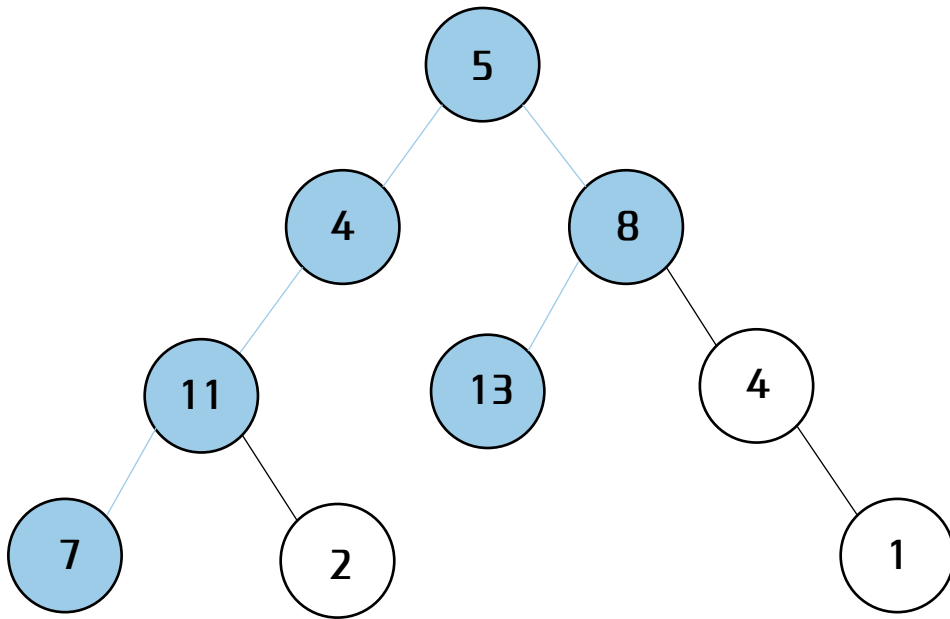
# Problem Example



Input: {0:10, 1:2, 2:10, 3:20, 4:1, 6:-25, 13:3, 14:4}

Output: 42

# Problem Example



Input: {0:5, 1:4, 2:8, 3:11, 5:13, 6:4, 7:7, 8:2, 14:1}

Output: 48



# Solve the problem

## Skeleton Code (Python)

```
def maxPathSum(root, res=-sys.maxsize):  
    if root is None:  
        return 0, res  
    # TODO  
  
if __name__ == '__main__':  
    nodes = {0:10, 1:2, 2:10, 3:20, 4:1, 6:-25, 13:3, 14:4}  
    T = Tree()  
    T.build(nodes)  
    res = maxPathSum(T.root)[1]  
    print(res)
```

- **Hint 1**

Use recursive function

- **Hint 2**

Traverse the tree in a bottom-up manner

# Solution

## Solution 1. Simple solution

Traverse the tree and, for every node, calculate the maximum sum path starting from it and passing through its left and right child.

- Time complexity:  $O(n^2)$
- Space complexity:  $O(n)$

Where  $n$  is the number of the nodes

## Solution 2. Recursive approach

We can reduce the time complexity to linear by traversing the tree in a bottom-up manner. Each node returns the maximum path sum starting at that node to its parent.

# Solution

## Solution Code (Python)

```
def maxPathSum(root, res=-sys.maxsize):  
    if root is None:  
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```

```
    l, res = maxPathSum(root.left, res)  
    r, res = maxPathSum(root.right, res)
```

```
    res = max(res, root.data)  
    res = max(res, root.data+l)  
    res = max(res, root.data+r)  
    res = max(res, root.data+l+r)
```

```
    return max(root.data, root.data+max(l,r)), res
```

Initialize the parameter

Base case

Find maximum path sum starting from the left or right child

Four cases of sequence and updated result to maximum sum

return the maximum path sum starting from the given node and result

- Time complexity:  $O(n)$ , where  $n$  is the number of the nodes
- Space complexity:  $O(h)$ , where  $h$  is the height of the tree

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**Thank you**

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