

Problem 1008: Construct Binary Search Tree from Preorder Traversal

Problem Information

Difficulty: Medium

Acceptance Rate: 83.87%

Paid Only: No

Tags: Array, Stack, Tree, Binary Search Tree, Monotonic Stack, Binary Tree

Problem Description

Given an array of integers preorder, which represents the **preorder traversal** of a BST (i.e., **binary search tree**), construct the tree and return `_its root_`.

It is **guaranteed** that there is always possible to find a binary search tree with the given requirements for the given test cases.

A **binary search tree** is a binary tree where for every node, any descendant of `'Node.left'` has a value **strictly less than** `'Node.val'`, and any descendant of `'Node.right'` has a value **strictly greater than** `'Node.val'`.

A **preorder traversal** of a binary tree displays the value of the node first, then traverses `'Node.left'`, then traverses `'Node.right'`.

Example 1:

Input: preorder = [8,5,1,7,10,12] **Output:** [8,5,10,1,7,null,12]

Example 2:

Input: preorder = [1,3] **Output:** [1,null,3]

Constraints:

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* `1 <= preorder.length <= 100` * `1 <= preorder[i] <= 1000` * All the values of `preorder` are  
**unique**.
```

Code Snippets

C++:

```
/**  
 * Definition for a binary tree node.  
 * struct TreeNode {  
 *     int val;  
 *     TreeNode *left;  
 *     TreeNode *right;  
 *     TreeNode() : val(0), left(nullptr), right(nullptr) {}  
 *     TreeNode(int x) : val(x), left(nullptr), right(nullptr) {}  
 *     TreeNode(int x, TreeNode *left, TreeNode *right) : val(x), left(left),  
 *     right(right) {}  
 * };  
 */  
class Solution {  
public:  
    TreeNode* bstFromPreorder(vector<int>& preorder) {  
  
    }  
};
```

Java:

```
/**  
 * Definition for a binary tree node.  
 * public class TreeNode {  
 *     int val;  
 *     TreeNode left;  
 *     TreeNode right;  
 *     TreeNode() {}  
 *     TreeNode(int val) { this.val = val; }  
 *     TreeNode(int val, TreeNode left, TreeNode right) {  
 *         this.val = val;  
 *         this.left = left;  
 *         this.right = right;  
 *     }  
 }
```

```
* }
*/
class Solution {
public TreeNode bstFromPreorder(int[] preorder) {

}
}
```

Python3:

```
# Definition for a binary tree node.
# class TreeNode:
#     def __init__(self, val=0, left=None, right=None):
#         self.val = val
#         self.left = left
#         self.right = right
class Solution:

    def bstFromPreorder(self, preorder: List[int]) -> Optional[TreeNode]:
```