

Problem 700: Search in a Binary Search Tree

Problem Information

Difficulty: [Easy](#)

Acceptance Rate: 0.00%

Paid Only: No

Problem Description

You are given the

root

of a binary search tree (BST) and an integer

val

.

Find the node in the BST that the node's value equals

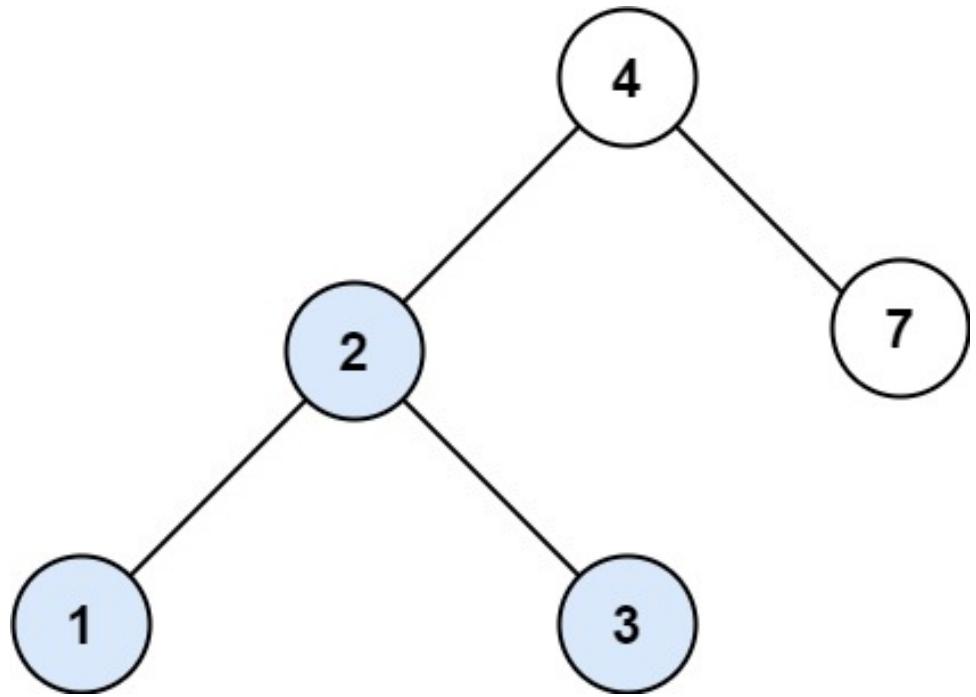
val

and return the subtree rooted with that node. If such a node does not exist, return

null

.

Example 1:



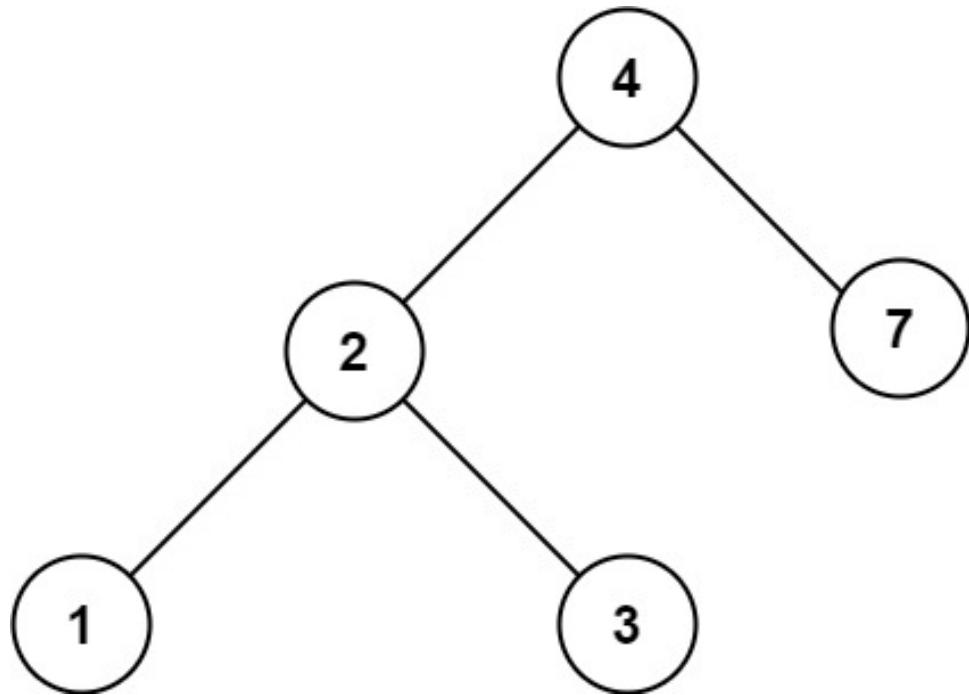
Input:

root = [4,2,7,1,3], val = 2

Output:

[2,1,3]

Example 2:



Input:

root = [4,2,7,1,3], val = 5

Output:

[]

Constraints:

The number of nodes in the tree is in the range

[1, 5000]

1 <= Node.val <= 10

7

root

is a binary search tree.

$1 \leq val \leq 10$

7

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* searchBST(TreeNode* root, int val) {
        if (root == nullptr) return nullptr;
        if (root->val == val) return root;
        if (root->val < val) return searchBST(root->right, val);
        if (root->val > val) return searchBST(root->left, val);
    }
};
```

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 searchBST(TreeNode root, int val) {

}
}

```

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 searchBST(self, root: Optional[TreeNode], val: int) ->
        Optional[TreeNode]:

```

Python:

```

# Definition for a binary tree node.
# class TreeNode(object):
#     def __init__(self, val=0, left=None, right=None):
#         self.val = val
#         self.left = left
#         self.right = right
class Solution(object):
    def searchBST(self, root, val):
        """
:type root: Optional[TreeNode]
:type val: int
:rtype: Optional[TreeNode]
"""

```

JavaScript:

```

/**
 * Definition for a binary tree node.
 * function TreeNode(val, left, right) {

```

```

* this.val = (val==undefined ? 0 : val)
* this.left = (left==undefined ? null : left)
* this.right = (right==undefined ? null : right)
* }
*/
/***
* @param {TreeNode} root
* @param {number} val
* @return {TreeNode}
*/
var searchBST = function(root, val) {

};


```

TypeScript:

```

/**
* Definition for a binary tree node.
* class TreeNode {
* val: number
* left: TreeNode | null
* right: TreeNode | null
* constructor(val?: number, left?: TreeNode | null, right?: TreeNode | null)
{
* this.val = (val==undefined ? 0 : val)
* this.left = (left==undefined ? null : left)
* this.right = (right==undefined ? null : right)
* }
* }
*/

function searchBST(root: TreeNode | null, val: number): TreeNode | null {

};


```

C#:

```

/**
* Definition for a binary tree node.
* public class TreeNode {
* public int val;
* public TreeNode left;
```

```

* public TreeNode right;
* public TreeNode(int val=0, TreeNode left=null, TreeNode right=null) {
*   this.val = val;
*   this.left = left;
*   this.right = right;
* }
* }
*/
public class Solution {
  public TreeNode SearchBST(TreeNode root, int val) {
    }

}
}

```

C:

```

/**
 * Definition for a binary tree node.
 * struct TreeNode {
 *   int val;
 *   struct TreeNode *left;
 *   struct TreeNode *right;
 * };
 */
struct TreeNode* searchBST(struct TreeNode* root, int val) {
  }

}

```

Go:

```

/**
 * Definition for a binary tree node.
 * type TreeNode struct {
 *   Val int
 *   Left *TreeNode
 *   Right *TreeNode
 * }
 */
func searchBST(root *TreeNode, val int) *TreeNode {
  }

}

```

Kotlin:

```
/**
 * Example:
 * var ti = TreeNode(5)
 * var v = ti.`val`
 * Definition for a binary tree node.
 * class TreeNode(var `val`: Int) {
 *     var left: TreeNode? = null
 *     var right: TreeNode? = null
 * }
 */
class Solution {

    fun searchBST(root: TreeNode?, `val`: Int): TreeNode? {

    }
}
```

Swift:

```
/**
 * Definition for a binary tree node.
 * public class TreeNode {
 *     public var val: Int
 *     public var left: TreeNode?
 *     public var right: TreeNode?
 *     public init() { self.val = 0; self.left = nil; self.right = nil; }
 *     public init(_ val: Int) { self.val = val; self.left = nil; self.right = nil; }
 *     public init(_ val: Int, _ left: TreeNode?, _ right: TreeNode?) {
 *         self.val = val
 *         self.left = left
 *         self.right = right
 *     }
 * }
 *
class Solution {

    func searchBST(_ root: TreeNode?, _ val: Int) -> TreeNode? {

    }
}
```

Rust:

```

// Definition for a binary tree node.
// #[derive(Debug, PartialEq, Eq)]
// pub struct TreeNode {
//     pub val: i32,
//     pub left: Option<Rc<RefCell<TreeNode>>>,
//     pub right: Option<Rc<RefCell<TreeNode>>>,
// }
//
// impl TreeNode {
//     #[inline]
//     pub fn new(val: i32) -> Self {
//         TreeNode {
//             val,
//             left: None,
//             right: None
//         }
//     }
// }
use std::rc::Rc;
use std::cell::RefCell;
impl Solution {
    pub fn search_bst(root: Option<Rc<RefCell<TreeNode>>>, val: i32) -> Option<Rc<RefCell<TreeNode>>> {
        }
    }
}

```

Ruby:

```

# Definition for a binary tree node.
# class TreeNode
# attr_accessor :val, :left, :right
# def initialize(val = 0, left = nil, right = nil)
#   @val = val
#   @left = left
#   @right = right
# end
# end
# @param {TreeNode} root
# @param {Integer} val
# @return {TreeNode}
def search_bst(root, val)

```

```
end
```

PHP:

```
/**  
 * Definition for a binary tree node.  
 * class TreeNode {  
 *     public $val = null;  
 *     public $left = null;  
 *     public $right = null;  
 *     function __construct($val = 0, $left = null, $right = null) {  
 *         $this->val = $val;  
 *         $this->left = $left;  
 *         $this->right = $right;  
 *     }  
 * }  
 */  
class Solution {  
  
    /**  
     * @param TreeNode $root  
     * @param Integer $val  
     * @return TreeNode  
     */  
    function searchBST($root, $val) {  
  
        }  
    }  
}
```

Dart:

```
/**  
 * Definition for a binary tree node.  
 * class TreeNode {  
 *     int val;  
 *     TreeNode? left;  
 *     TreeNode? right;  
 *     TreeNode([this.val = 0, this.left, this.right]);  
 * }  
 */  
class Solution {  
    TreeNode? searchBST(TreeNode? root, int val) {  
    }
```

```
}
```

```
}
```

Scala:

```
/**  
 * Definition for a binary tree node.  
 * class TreeNode(_value: Int = 0, _left: TreeNode = null, _right: TreeNode =  
 * null) {  
 * var value: Int = _value  
 * var left: TreeNode = _left  
 * var right: TreeNode = _right  
 * }  
 */  
object Solution {  
def searchBST(root: TreeNode, `val`: Int): TreeNode = {  
  
}  
}  
}
```

Elixir:

```
# Definition for a binary tree node.  
#  
# defmodule TreeNode do  
# @type t :: %__MODULE__{  
# val: integer,  
# left: TreeNode.t() | nil,  
# right: TreeNode.t() | nil  
# }  
# defstruct val: 0, left: nil, right: nil  
# end  
  
defmodule Solution do  
@spec search_bst(TreeNode.t() | nil, integer) :: TreeNode.t() | nil  
def search_bst(root, val) do  
  
end  
end
```

Erlang:

```
%% Definition for a binary tree node.  
%%  
%% -record(tree_node, {val = 0 :: integer(),  
%% left = null :: 'null' | #tree_node{},  
%% right = null :: 'null' | #tree_node{}}).  
  
-spec search_bst(Root :: #tree_node{} | null, Val :: integer()) ->  
#tree_node{} | null.  
search_bst(Root, Val) ->  
.
```

Racket:

```
; Definition for a binary tree node.  
#|  
  
; val : integer?  
; left : (or/c tree-node? #f)  
; right : (or/c tree-node? #f)  
(struct tree-node  
(val left right) #:mutable #:transparent)  
  
; constructor  
(define (make-tree-node [val 0])  
(tree-node val #f #f))  
  
|#  
  
(define/contract (search-bst root val)  
(-> (or/c tree-node? #f) exact-integer? (or/c tree-node? #f))  
)
```

Solutions

C++ Solution:

```
/*  
* Problem: Search in a Binary Search Tree  
* Difficulty: Easy
```

```

* Tags: tree, search
*
* Approach: DFS or BFS traversal
* Time Complexity: O(n) where n is number of nodes
* Space Complexity: O(h) for recursion stack where h is height
*/

/**
* 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* searchBST(TreeNode* root, int val) {
}
};

```

Java Solution:

```

/** 
* Problem: Search in a Binary Search Tree
* Difficulty: Easy
* Tags: tree, search
*
* Approach: DFS or BFS traversal
* Time Complexity: O(n) where n is number of nodes
* Space Complexity: O(h) for recursion stack where h is height
*/

/**
* Definition for a binary tree node.
* public class TreeNode {

```

```

* int val;
* TreeNode left;
* TreeNode right;
* TreeNode() {
// TODO: Implement optimized solution
return 0;
}
* 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 searchBST(TreeNode root, int val) {

}
}

```

Python3 Solution:

```

"""
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Difficulty: Easy
Tags: tree, search

Approach: DFS or BFS traversal
Time Complexity: O(n) where n is number of nodes
Space Complexity: O(h) for recursion stack where h is height
"""


```

```

# 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 searchBST(self, root: Optional[TreeNode], val: int) ->

```

```
Optional[TreeNode]:  
# TODO: Implement optimized solution  
pass
```

Python Solution:

```
# Definition for a binary tree node.  
# class TreeNode(object):  
#     def __init__(self, val=0, left=None, right=None):  
#         self.val = val  
#         self.left = left  
#         self.right = right  
class Solution(object):  
    def searchBST(self, root, val):  
        """  
        :type root: Optional[TreeNode]  
        :type val: int  
        :rtype: Optional[TreeNode]  
        """
```

JavaScript Solution:

```
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 * Difficulty: Easy  
 * Tags: tree, search  
 *  
 * Approach: DFS or BFS traversal  
 * Time Complexity: O(n) where n is number of nodes  
 * Space Complexity: O(h) for recursion stack where h is height  
 */  
  
/**  
 * Definition for a binary tree node.  
 * function TreeNode(val, left, right) {  
 *     this.val = (val===undefined ? 0 : val)  
 *     this.left = (left===undefined ? null : left)  
 *     this.right = (right===undefined ? null : right)  
 * }  
 */  
/**  
 * @param {TreeNode} root
```

```

* @param {number} val
* @return {TreeNode}
*/
var searchBST = function(root, val) {

};

```

TypeScript Solution:

```

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 * Problem: Search in a Binary Search Tree
 * Difficulty: Easy
 * Tags: tree, search
 *
 * Approach: DFS or BFS traversal
 * Time Complexity: O(n) where n is number of nodes
 * Space Complexity: O(h) for recursion stack where h is height
 */

/**
 * Definition for a binary tree node.
 * class TreeNode {
 *   val: number
 *   left: TreeNode | null
 *   right: TreeNode | null
 *   constructor(val?: number, left?: TreeNode | null, right?: TreeNode | null) {
 *     this.val = (val==undefined ? 0 : val)
 *     this.left = (left==undefined ? null : left)
 *     this.right = (right==undefined ? null : right)
 *   }
 * }
 */

function searchBST(root: TreeNode | null, val: number): TreeNode | null {

};

```

C# Solution:

```

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 * Difficulty: Easy
 * Tags: tree, search
 *
 * Approach: DFS or BFS traversal
 * Time Complexity: O(n) where n is number of nodes
 * Space Complexity: O(h) for recursion stack where h is height
 */

/**
 * Definition for a binary tree node.
 * public class TreeNode {
 *     public int val;
 *     public TreeNode left;
 *     public TreeNode right;
 *     public TreeNode(int val=0, TreeNode left=null, TreeNode right=null) {
 *         this.val = val;
 *         this.left = left;
 *         this.right = right;
 *     }
 * }
 *
 * public class Solution {
 *     public TreeNode SearchBST(TreeNode root, int val) {
 *
 *     }
 * }
 */

```

C Solution:

```

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 * Approach: DFS or BFS traversal
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 */

/**

```

```

* Definition for a binary tree node.
* struct TreeNode {
*     int val;
*     struct TreeNode *left;
*     struct TreeNode *right;
* };
*/
struct TreeNode* searchBST(struct TreeNode* root, int val) {

}

```

Go Solution:

```

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// Difficulty: Easy
// Tags: tree, search
//
// Approach: DFS or BFS traversal
// Time Complexity: O(n) where n is number of nodes
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/**
* Definition for a binary tree node.
* type TreeNode struct {
*     Val int
*     Left *TreeNode
*     Right *TreeNode
* }
*/
func searchBST(root *TreeNode, val int) *TreeNode {

}

```

Kotlin Solution:

```

/***
* Example:
* var ti = TreeNode(5)
* var v = ti.`val`
* Definition for a binary tree node.
* class TreeNode(var `val`: Int) {

```

```

* var left: TreeNode? = null
* var right: TreeNode? = null
* }
*/
class Solution {
fun searchBST(root: TreeNode?, `val`: Int): TreeNode? {
}
}

```

Swift Solution:

```

/**
* Definition for a binary tree node.
* public class TreeNode {
* public var val: Int
* public var left: TreeNode?
* public var right: TreeNode?
* public init() { self.val = 0; self.left = nil; self.right = nil; }
* public init(_ val: Int) { self.val = val; self.left = nil; self.right = nil; }
* public init(_ val: Int, _ left: TreeNode?, _ right: TreeNode?) {
* self.val = val
* self.left = left
* self.right = right
* }
* }
*/
class Solution {
func searchBST(_ root: TreeNode?, _ val: Int) -> TreeNode? {
}
}

```

Rust Solution:

```

// Problem: Search in a Binary Search Tree
// Difficulty: Easy
// Tags: tree, search
//
// Approach: DFS or BFS traversal

```

```

// Time Complexity: O(n) where n is number of nodes
// Space Complexity: O(h) for recursion stack where h is height

// Definition for a binary tree node.
// #[derive(Debug, PartialEq, Eq)]
// pub struct TreeNode {
//     pub val: i32,
//     pub left: Option<Rc<RefCell<TreeNode>>,
//     pub right: Option<Rc<RefCell<TreeNode>>,
// }
//
// impl TreeNode {
//     #[inline]
//     pub fn new(val: i32) -> Self {
//         TreeNode {
//             val,
//             left: None,
//             right: None
//         }
//     }
// }
use std::rc::Rc;
use std::cell::RefCell;
impl Solution {
    pub fn search_bst(root: Option<Rc<RefCell<TreeNode>>, val: i32) -> Option<Rc<RefCell<TreeNode>> {
        }
    }
}

```

Ruby Solution:

```

# Definition for a binary tree node.
# class TreeNode
# attr_accessor :val, :left, :right
# def initialize(val = 0, left = nil, right = nil)
#   @val = val
#   @left = left
#   @right = right
# end
# end

```

```

# @param {TreeNode} root
# @param {Integer} val
# @return {TreeNode}
def search_bst(root, val)

end

```

PHP Solution:

```

/**
 * Definition for a binary tree node.
 * class TreeNode {
 *     public $val = null;
 *     public $left = null;
 *     public $right = null;
 *     function __construct($val = 0, $left = null, $right = null) {
 *         $this->val = $val;
 *         $this->left = $left;
 *         $this->right = $right;
 *     }
 * }
 */
class Solution {

/**
 * @param TreeNode $root
 * @param Integer $val
 * @return TreeNode
 */
function searchBST($root, $val) {

}

}
}

```

Dart Solution:

```

/**
 * Definition for a binary tree node.
 * class TreeNode {
 *     int val;
 *     TreeNode? left;
 *     TreeNode? right;
 * }
 */

```

```

* TreeNode? right;
* TreeNode([this.val = 0, this.left, this.right]);
* }
*/
class Solution {
TreeNode? searchBST(TreeNode? root, int val) {
}

}

```

Scala Solution:

```

/***
* Definition for a binary tree node.
* class TreeNode(_value: Int = 0, _left: TreeNode = null, _right: TreeNode =
null) {
* var value: Int = _value
* var left: TreeNode = _left
* var right: TreeNode = _right
* }
*/
object Solution {
def searchBST(root: TreeNode, `val`: Int): TreeNode = {

}
}

```

Elixir Solution:

```

# Definition for a binary tree node.
#
# defmodule TreeNode do
# @type t :: %__MODULE__{
#   val: integer,
#   left: TreeNode.t() | nil,
#   right: TreeNode.t() | nil
# }
# defstruct val: 0, left: nil, right: nil
# end

defmodule Solution do

```

```

@spec search_bst(root :: TreeNode.t | nil, val :: integer) :: TreeNode.t | nil
def search_bst(root, val) do

end
end

```

Erlang Solution:

```

%% Definition for a binary tree node.

%% -record(tree_node, {val = 0 :: integer(),
%% left = null :: 'null' | #tree_node{},
%% right = null :: 'null' | #tree_node{}}).

-spec search_bst(Root :: #tree_node{} | null, Val :: integer()) ->
#tree_node{} | null.
search_bst(Root, Val) ->
.
.
```

Racket Solution:

```

; Definition for a binary tree node.
#|
; val : integer?
; left : (or/c tree-node? #f)
; right : (or/c tree-node? #f)
(struct tree-node
  (val left right) #:mutable #:transparent)

; constructor
(define (make-tree-node [val 0])
  (tree-node val #f #f))

|#
(define/contract (search-bst root val)
  (-> (or/c tree-node? #f) exact-integer? (or/c tree-node? #f)))
)
```