# CS311 Data Structures Lecture 08 — AVL tree

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## Reading

- Weiss Ch 19.1-3 BSTs
- Weiss Ch 19.4: AVL Trees

## Today

- Tree Rotations: Balancing via pointer manipulation
- AVL Trees

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# Why Worry About Insertion and Removal?

- Q: Why worry about insert/remove messing with the tree? What affect can it have on the performance of future ops on the tree?
- Q: What property of a tree dictates the runtime complexity of its operations?
- Recall from our practice footnotesize
  - Build and draw a BST by inserting these numbers in order: 5, 13, 18, 21, 23, 31, 5,7 89, 130
  - Build and draw a BST by inserting these numbers in order: 31, 18, 130, 89, 21, 5, 57, 13, 23

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# **Balancing Trees**

- add/remove/find complexity O(height(t))
- Degenerate tree has height N: a linked list
- Prevent this by re-balancing on insert/remove
- Several kinds of trees do this

AVL left/right subtree height differ by max 1 Red-black preserve 4 red/black node properties AA red-black tree + all left nodes black Splay amoritized bound on ops, very different



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The AVL tree is named after its two Soviet inventors, Georgy Adelson-Velsky and E. M. Landis, who published it in their 1962 paper "An algorithm for the organization of information". – Wikip: AVL Tree

- A self-balancing tree
- Operations
- Proof of logarithmic height

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# **AVL Balance Property**

 ${\tt T}$  is an AVL tree if and only if

- T.left and T.right differ in height by at most 1
- AND T.left and T.right are AVL trees



## Answers

- T is an AVL tree if and only if
  - T.left and T.right differ in height by at most 1
  - AND T.left and T.right are AVL trees



# Nodes and Balancing in AVL Trees

## Track Balance Factor of trees

- balance = height(t.left)
   - height(t.right);
- Must be -1, 0, or +1 for AVL
- If -2 or +2, must fix

```
class Node<T>{
   Node<t> left,right;
   T data;
   int height;
}
```

## Don't explicitly calculate height

- Adjust balance factor on insert/delete
- Recurse down to add/remove node
- Unwind recursion up to adjust balance of ancestors
- When unbalanced, rotate to adjust heights
- Single or Double rotation can *always* adjust heights by 1

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Re-balancing usually involves

- Drill down during insert/remove
- Follow path back up to make adjustments
- Adjustments even out height of subtrees
- Adjustments are usually rotations
- Rotation changes structure of tree without affecting ordering

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## **Right Rotation**

Rotation node becomes the right subtree



## Left Rotation

Rotation node becomes the left subtree



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# Fixing an Insertion with a Single Rotation

Insert 1, perform rotation to balance heights

• Right rotation at 8



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# Single Rotation Practice

## Problem 1

- 40 was just inserted
- Rebalance tree rooted at 16
- Left-rotate 16



### Problem 2

- 85 is being removed
- Rebalance tree rooted at 57
- Right rotate 57



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# Single Rotations Aren't Enough

Can we fix the following with a single rotation?



# Example: Can't fix this with single rotation



# **Double Rotation Overview**

## Left-Right

- Left Rotate at  $k_1$
- Right-rotate at k<sub>3</sub>



## **Right-Left**

- Right Rotate at k<sub>3</sub>
- Left Rotate at  $k_1$



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# Fixing an Insertion with a Double Rotation

Insert 5, perform two rotations to balance heights

- Problem is at 8: left height 3, right height 1
- Left rotate 4 (height imbalance remains)
- Right rotate 8 (height imbalance fixed)



# **Double Rotation Practice**

## Problem 3

- 35 was just inserted
- Rebalance the tree rooted at 36
- Use two rotations, at 33 and 36
- 36 should move



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```
class Node<T>{
   Node<T> left, right;
   T data;
   int height;
}
```

Write the following codes for single/double rotations:

```
// Single Right rotation
// t becomes right child, t.left becomes new
// root which is returned
Node<T> rightRotate( Node<T> t ) { ... }
```

// Left-Right Double Rotation: // left-rotate t.left, then right-rotate t Node<T> leftRightRotate( Node<T> t ){ ... }

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## **Example Rotation Codes**

```
// Single Right rotation
Node<T> rightRotate( Node<T> t ) {
 Node<T> newRoot = t.left;
 t.left = newRoot.right;
 newRoot.right = t;
 t.height = Math.max(t.left.height,
                      t.right.height)+1;
 newRoot.height = Math.max(newRoot.left.height,
                            newRoot.right.height)+1;
 return newRoot;
}
// Left-Right Double Rotation:
// left-rotate t.left, then right-rotate t
Node<T> leftRightRotate( Node<T> t ){
 t.left = leftRotate(t.left);
 return rightRotate(t);
}
```

Computational complexities of these methods?

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- Insertion works by first recursively inserting new data as a leaf
- Tree is "unstitched" waiting to assign left/right branches of intermediate nodes to answers from recursive calls
- Before returning, check height differences and perform rotations if needed
- Allows left/right branches to change the nodes to which they point

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## Excerpt of Insertion Code

- Identify subtree height differences to determine rotations
- Useful in removal as well

```
private AvlNode insert( Comparable x, AvlNode t ){
  if( t == null ){
                                                 // Found the spot to insert
    t = new AvlNode( x, null, null );
                                                 // return new node with data
  }
  else if( x.compareTo( t.element ) < 0 ) {</pre>
                                                 // Head left
    t.left = insert( x, t.left );
                                                      Recursively insert
                                                  //
  } else{
                                                  // Head right
    t.right = insert( x, t.right );
                                                      Recursively insert
                                                  11
  }
                                                  //
  if(height(t.left) - height(t.right) == 2){ // t.left deeper than t.right
    if(height(t.left.left) > t.left.right) {
                                                // outer tree unbalanced
     t = rightRotate( t );
                                                 11
                                                      single rotation
    } else {
                                                 // x went left-right:
     t = leftRightRotate( t );
                                                 // double rotation
    }
  }
  else{ ... } // Symmetric cases for t.right deeper than t.left
  return t:
```

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# Rebalance This AVL Tree



- Inserted 51
- Which node is unbalanced?
- Which rotation(s) required to fix?

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# **Rebalancing Answer**



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# Does This Accomplish our Goal?

- Proposition: Maintaining the AVL Balance Property during insert/remove will yield a tree with N nodes and height O(log N)
- Prove it: What do AVL trees have to do with rabbits?

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# AVL Properties Give log(N) height

Lemma (little theorem) (Thm 19.3 in Weiss, pg 708, adapted)

An AVL Tree of height H has at least  $F_{H+2} - 1$  nodes where  $F_i$  is the *i*th Fibonacci number.

## Definitions

- *F<sub>i</sub>*: *ith* Fibonacci number (0,1,1,2,3,5,8,13,...)
- S: size of a tree
- *H*: height (assume roots have height 1)
- $S_H$  as smallest size AVL Tree with height H

### Proof by Induction: Base Cases True

Tree	height	Min Size	Calculation
empty	H = 0	$S_0$	$F_{(0+2)} - 1 = 1 - 1 = 0$
root	H=1	$S_1$	$F_{(1+2)} - 1 = 2 - 1 = 1$
root+(left or right)	H = 2	$S_2$	$F_{(2+2)} - 1 = 3 - 1 = 2$

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## Consider an Arbitrary AVL tree T

- T has height H
- $S_H$  smallest size for tree T
- Show that the smallest size  $S_H = F_{H+2} 1$
- Assume equation true for smaller trees
  - Left/Right are smaller AVL trees
  - Left/Right differ in height by at most 1

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## Induction Part 2

- T has height H
- Assume for height h < H, smallest size of T is  $S_h = F_{h+2} - 1$
- Suppose Left is 1 higher than Right
- Left Height: h = H 1
- Left Size:

$$F_{(H-1)+2} - 1 = F_{H+1} - 1$$

- Right Height: h = H 2
- Right Size:  $F_{(H-2)+2} - 1 = F_H - 1$

$$S_H = size(Left) + size(Right) + 1$$
  
=  $(F_{H+1} - 1) + (F_H - 1) + 1$   
=  $F_{H+1} + F_H - 1$   
=  $F_{H+2} - 1$ 

## Fibonacci Growth



AVL Tree of with height H has at least  $F_{H+2} - 1$  nodes.

- How does  $F_H$  grow wrt H?
- Exponentially:  $F_H \approx \phi^H = 1.618^H$
- $\phi$ : The Golden Ratio
- So,  $\log(F_H) \approx H \log(\phi)$
- Or,  $\log(N) \approx height \times \phi$

• Or,  $\log(size) \approx height * constant$ 

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