CS 240 – Data Structures and Data Management

Module 4: Dictionaries

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Dictionary ADT

Dictionary: An ADT consisting of a collection of items, each of which contains

- a key
- some data (the "value")

and is called a *key-value pair* (KVP). Keys can be compared and are (typically) unique.

Operations:

- search(k) (also called findElement(k))
- insert(k, v) (also called insertItem(k, v))
- delete(k) (also called removeElement(k)))
- optional: closestKeyBefore, join, isEmpty, size, etc.

Elementary Implementations

Common assumptions:

- Dictionary has n KVPs
- Each KVP uses constant space
- Keys can be compared in constant time

Unordered array or linked list

```
search \Theta(n)
insert \Theta(1) (except array occasionally needs to resize)
delete \Theta(n) (need to search)
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Ordered array

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search \Theta(\log n) (via binary search)
insert \Theta(n)
delete \Theta(n)
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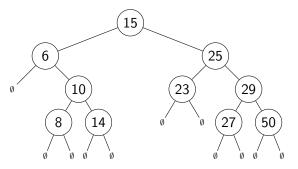
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Binary Search Trees (review)

Structure Binary tree: all nodes have two (possibly empty) subtrees
Every node stores a KVP
Empty subtrees usually not shown

Ordering Every key k in T.left is less than the root key. Every key k in T.right is greater than the root key.



In our examples we only show the keys, and we show them directly in the node. A more accurate picture would be (w) (key = 15, <other info>)

BST as realization of ADT Dictionary

BST::search(k) Start at root, compare k to current node's key. Stop if found or subtree is empty, else recurse at subtree.

BST::insert(k, v) Search for k, then insert (k, v) as new node

Example:

Deletion in a BST

- First search for the node x that contains the key.
- If x is a **leaf** (both subtrees are empty), delete it.
- If x has one non-empty subtree, move child up
- Else, swap key at x with key at successor or predecessor node and then delete that node

Height of a BST

BST::search, BST::insert, BST::delete all have cost $\Theta(h)$, where h = height of the tree = max. path length from root to leaf

If n items are inserted one-at-a-time, how big is h?

- Worst-case: $n-1 = \Theta(n)$
- Best-case: $\Theta(\log n)$. Any binary tree with n nodes has height $\geq \log(n+1)-1$
- Average-case: Can show $\Theta(\log n)$ for elements inserted in random order

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AVL Trees

Introduced by Adel'son-Vel'skiĭ and Landis in 1962, an **AVL Tree** is a BST with an additional **height-balance property** at every node:

The heights of the left and right subtree differ by at most 1.

(The height of an empty tree is defined to be -1.)

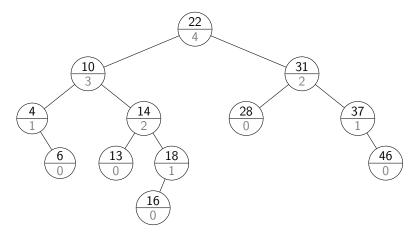
Rephrase: If node v has left subtree L and right subtree R, then

balance(
$$v$$
) := $height(R) - height(L)$ must be in $\{-1, 0, 1\}$
 $balance(v) = -1$ means v is $left$ -heavy
 $balance(v) = +1$ means v is $right$ -heavy

- Need to store at each node v the height of the subtree rooted at it
- Can show: It suffices to store balance(v) instead
 - uses fewer bits, but code gets more complicated

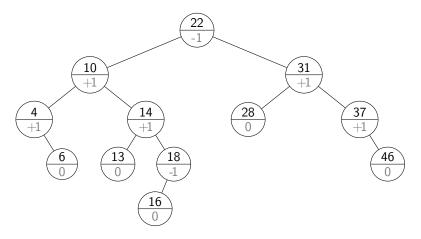
AVL tree example

(The lower numbers indicate the height of the subtree.)



AVL tree example

Alternative: store balance (instead of height) at each node.



Height of an AVL tree

Theorem: An AVL tree on n nodes has $\Theta(\log n)$ height.

 \Rightarrow search, insert, delete all cost $\Theta(\log n)$ in the worst case!

Proof:

- Define N(h) to be the *least* number of nodes in a height-h AVL tree.
- What is a recurrence relation for N(h)?
- What does this recurrence relation resolve to?

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AVL insertion

To perform AVL::insert(k, v):

- First, insert (k, v) with the usual BST insertion.
- ullet We assume that this returns the new leaf z where the key was stored.
- Then, move up the tree from z, updating heights.
 - ► We assume for this that we have parent-links. This can be avoided if BST::Insert returns the full path to z.
- If the height difference becomes ± 2 at node z, then z is **unbalanced**. Must re-structure the tree to rebalance.

AVL insertion

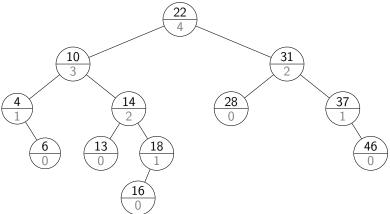
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AVL::insert(k, v)
1. z \leftarrow BST::insert(k, v) // leaf where k is now stored
2. while (z is not NIL)
           if (|z.left.height - z.right.height| > 1) then
4.
                Let y be taller child of z
5.
                Let x be taller child of y
                z \leftarrow restructure(x, y, z) // see later
6.
7.
                break // can argue that we are done
        setHeightFromSubtrees(z)
8.
9
           z \leftarrow z.parent
```

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setHeightFromSubtrees(u)

1. u.height \leftarrow 1 + max\{u.left.height, u.right.height\}
```

AVL Insertion Example

Example:

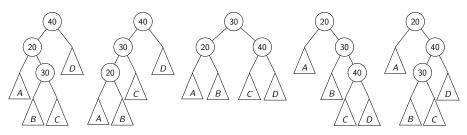


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How to "fix" an unbalanced AVL tree

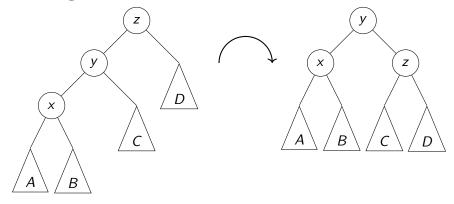
Note: there are many different BSTs with the same keys.



Goal: change the *structure* among three nodes without changing the *order* and such that the subtree becomes balanced.

Right Rotation

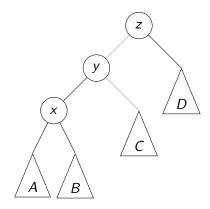
This is a right rotation on node z:



rotate-right(z)

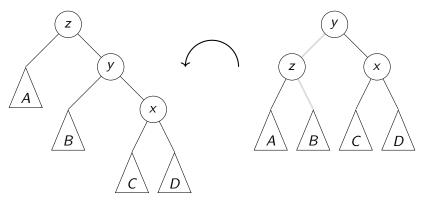
- 1. $y \leftarrow z.left, z.left \leftarrow y.right, y.right \leftarrow z$
- 2. setHeightFromSubtrees(z), setHeightFromSubtrees(y)
- 3. **return** y // returns new root of subtree

Why do we call this a rotation?



Left Rotation

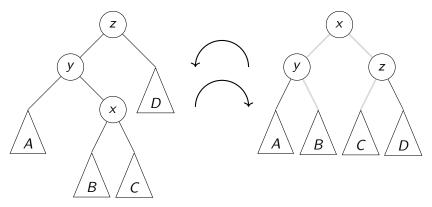
Symmetrically, this is a **left rotation** on node z:



Again, only two links need to be changed and two heights updated. Useful to fix right-right imbalance.

Double Right Rotation

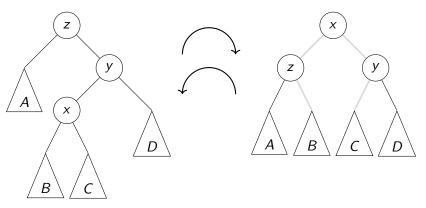
This is a **double right rotation** on node *z*:



First, a left rotation at y. Second, a right rotation at z.

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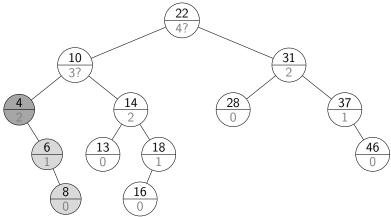
Fixing a slightly-unbalanced AVL tree

```
restructure(x, y, z)
node x has parent y and grandparent z
       case
        : // Right rotation
          return rotate-right(z)
       : // Double-right rotation
      z.left \leftarrow rotate-left(y)
          return rotate-right(z)
       : // Double-left rotation
       z.right \leftarrow rotate-right(y)
          return rotate-left(z)
      : // Left rotation return rotate-left(z)
```

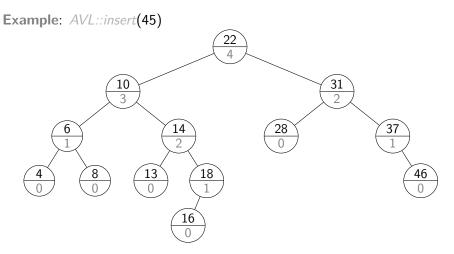
Rule: The middle key of x, y, z becomes the new root.

AVL Insertion Example revisited

Example:



AVL Insertion: Second example



AVL Deletion

Remove the key k with BST::delete.

Find node where *structural* change happened.

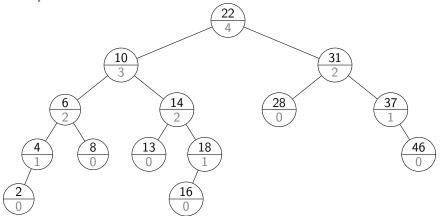
(This is not necessarily near the node that had k.)

Go back up to root, update heights, and rotate if needed.

```
AVL::delete(k)
        1. z \leftarrow BST::delete(k)
        2. // Assume z is the parent of the BST node that was removed
        3.
                                               while (z \text{ is not NIL})
                                                                                                              if (|z| \cdot |z| \cdot 
        4.
                                                                                                                                                            Let v be taller child of z
        5.
        6.
                                                                                                                                                            Let x be taller child of y (break ties to prefer single rotation)
        7.
                                                                                                                                                          z \leftarrow restructure(x, y, z)
                                                                                                           // Always continue up the path and fix if needed.
        8.
                                                                                                           setHeightFromSubtrees(z)
        9.
        10.
                                                                                                            z \leftarrow z.parent
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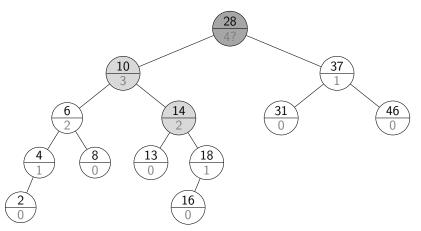
AVL Deletion Example

Example:



AVL Deletion Example

Important: Ties *must* be broken to prefer single rotation. Consider again the above example. If we applied double-rotation:



Resulting tree is not an AVL-tree.

AVL Tree Operations Runtime

search: Just like in BSTs, costs $\Theta(height)$

insert: BST::insert, then check & update along path to new leaf

- total cost $\Theta(height)$
- restructure restores the height of the subtree to what it was,
- so restructure will be called at most once.

delete: BST::delete, then check & update along path to deleted node

- total cost $\Theta(height)$
- restructure may be called $\Theta(height)$ times.

Worst-case cost for all operations is $\Theta(height) = \Theta(\log n)$.

But in practice, the constant is quite large.