

AVL Tree

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Idea

- The performance (Search, Insertion, Deletion):
 - of binary tree depends on the balance
 - Indeed it is possible to build a nearly balanced tree if all the nodes are available at the beginning.
- AVL tree is a mechanism where a tree can be kept nearly balanced while trees are dynamically added or deleted.
 - The height of an AVL tree will never exceed $1.44 \log n$.
- AVL: Two Russian Mathematicians G.M. ADELSON_VELSKII and E.M. LANDIS developed this tree in 1962.



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AVL Tree

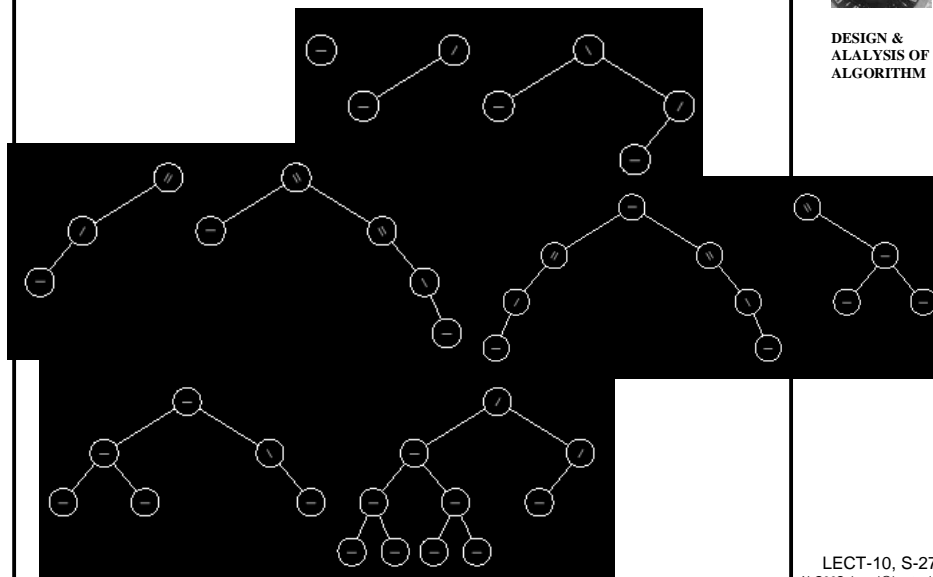
- An *AVL tree* is a binary search tree in which the heights of the left and right subtrees of the root differ by at most 1 and in which the left and right subtrees are again AVL trees.
- With each node of an AVL tree is associated a **balance factor** that is *left higher*, *equal*, or *right higher* according, respectively, as the left subtree has height greater than, equal to, or less than that of the right subtree.
- In each node structure there is an extra field:
BalanceFactor bf;



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Examples: Which one are AVL?



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Insertion in AVL

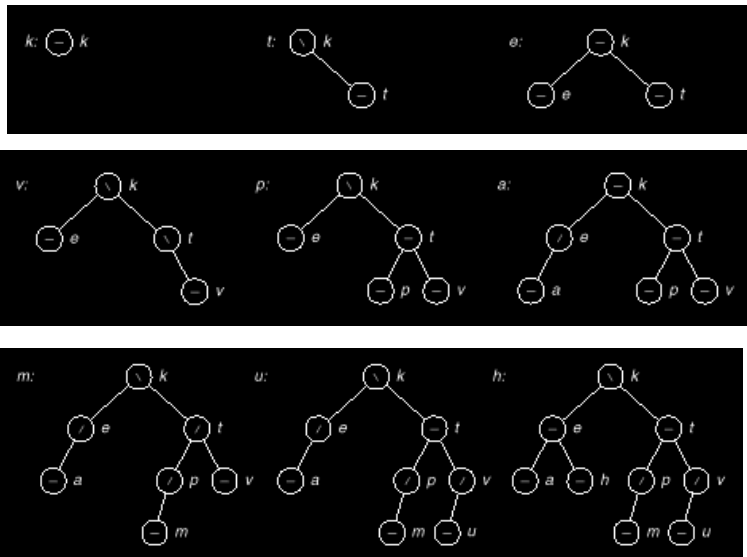
- Usual Binary tree insertion should work.
 - Check if the new key will go left or right.
 - Insert it recursively in left or right subtree as needed.
- What about the Height?
 - Often it will not result in any increase of the subtree height, do nothing.
 - If it increases the height of the shorter subtree, still do nothing except update the BF of the root.
 - Only if it increases the height of the taller subtree then need to do something special.



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Simple Insertion



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InsertAVL

```
TreeNode *InsertAVL(TreeNode *root, TreeNode *newnode, Boolean *taller)
{
    if (!root) {
        root = newnode;
        root->left = root->right = NULL;
        root->bf = EH;
        *taller = TRUE;
    }
    else if (EQ(newnode->entry.key, root->entry.key)) {
        Error("Duplicate key is not allowed in AVL tree.");
    }
    else if (LT(newnode->entry.key, root->entry.key)) {
        root->left = InsertAVL(root->left, newnode, taller);
        if (*taller) /* Left subtree is taller. */
            switch(root->bf) {
                case LH: /* Node was left high. */
                    root = LeftBalance(root, taller); break;
                case EH:
                    root->bf = LH; break; /* Node is now left high. */
                case RH:
                    root->bf = EH; /* Node now has balanced height.*/
                    *taller = FALSE; break;
            }
    }
    else {
        (continued...)
    }
}
```

First node.

If smaller key

If the height of the left subtree increases

If greater key...



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InsertAVL (continued..)

```
TreeNode *InsertAVL(TreeNode *root, TreeNode *newnode, Boolean *taller)
{
    (continued..)
}
else {
    root->right = InsertAVL(root->right, newnode, taller);
    if (*taller) /* Right subtree is taller. */
        switch(root->bf) {
            case LH:
                root->bf = EH; /* Node now has balanced height.*/
                *taller = FALSE; break;
            case EH:
                root->bf = RH; break; /* Node is right high. */
            case RH:
                /* Node was right high. */
                root = RightBalance(root, taller); break;
        }
    }
    return root;
}
```

If Key goes
in right sub-tree



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Balancing unbalanced AVL

- Problem:
 - let us assume we have used InsertAVL
 - now the right subtree height has grown one and the right subtree was already taller!
 - How to restore the balance?
- Solution:
 - there can be three situations:
 - the right subtree itself is now left heavy
 - the right subtree itself is now right heavy
 - the right subtree now has equal heights in both sides..

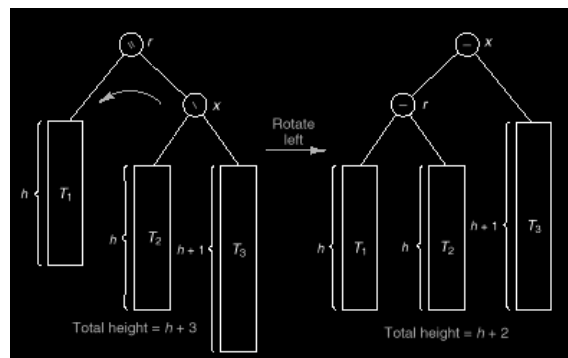


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Case-1: Right Higher

- Left Rotation:

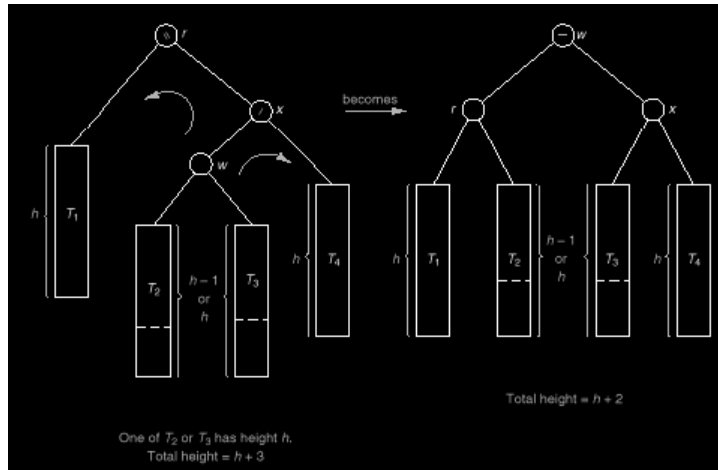


```
TreeNode *RotateLeft(TreeNode *p)
{
    TreeNode *rightchild = p;
    if (!p)
        Error("It's impossible
to rotate an empty tree in
rotateLeft.");
    else if (!p->right)
        Error("It's impossible
to make an empty subtree the root
in RotateLeft.");
    else {
        rightchild = p->right;
        p->right = rightchild->left;
        rightchild->left = p;
    }
    return rightchild;
}
```

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Case-2: Left Higher

- Double Left Rotation:



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Behavior of Algorithm

- The number of times the function InsertSVL calls itself recursively a new node can be as large as the height of the tree.
- How many times the routine RightBalance or LeftBalance will be called?
 - Both of them makes the BF of the root EQ.
 - Thus it will not further increase the tree height for outer recursive calls.
 - Only once they will be called!
 - Most insertion will induce no rotation.
 - Even when, they usually occur near the leaf.

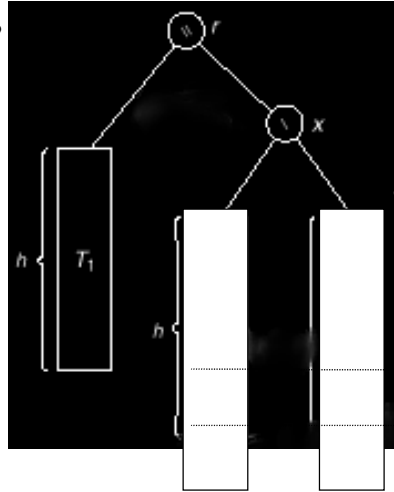


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Case-3: Equal Height

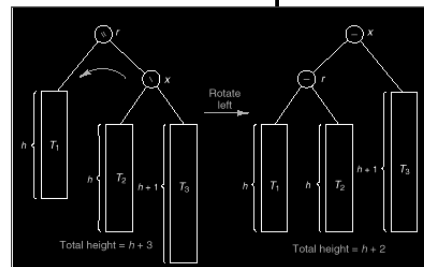
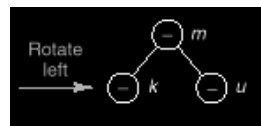
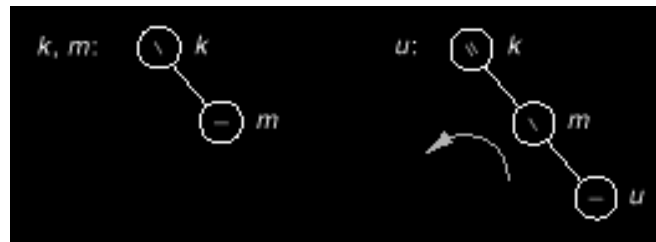
- Can it Happen?



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Example-1



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Deletion of a Node

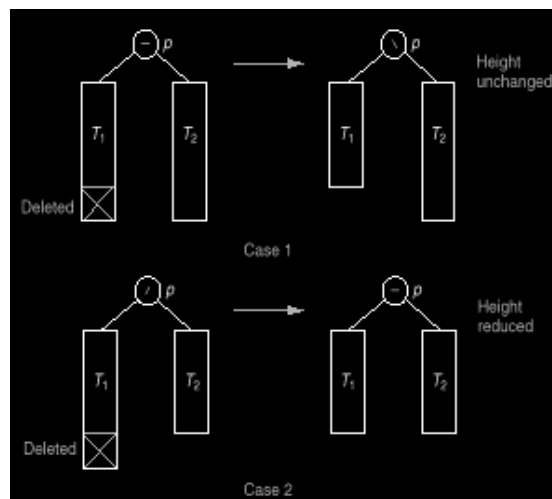
4. *Case 1:* Node p has balance factor equal.
5. *Case 2:* The balance factor of p is not equal, and the taller subtree was shortened.
6. *Case 3:* The balance factor of p is not equal, and the shorter subtree was shortened. Apply a rotation as follows to restore balance. Let q be the root of the taller subtree of p .
7. *Case 3a:* The balance factor of q is equal.
8. *Case 3b:* The balance factor of q is the same as that of p .
9. *Case 3c:* The balance factors of p and q are opposite.



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Deletion-1



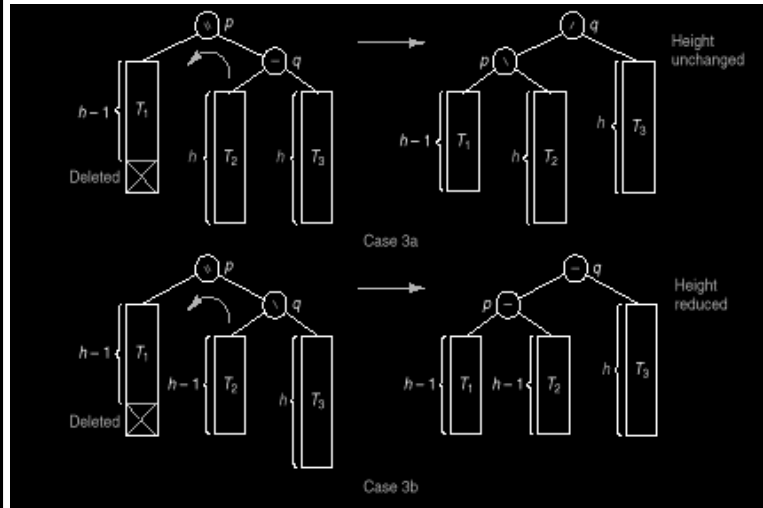
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Deletion-2



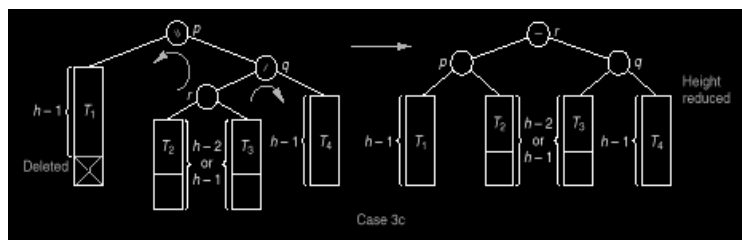
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Deletion-3



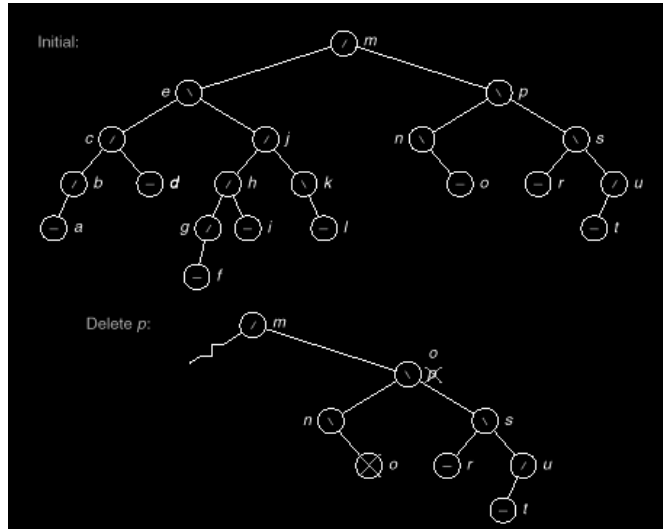
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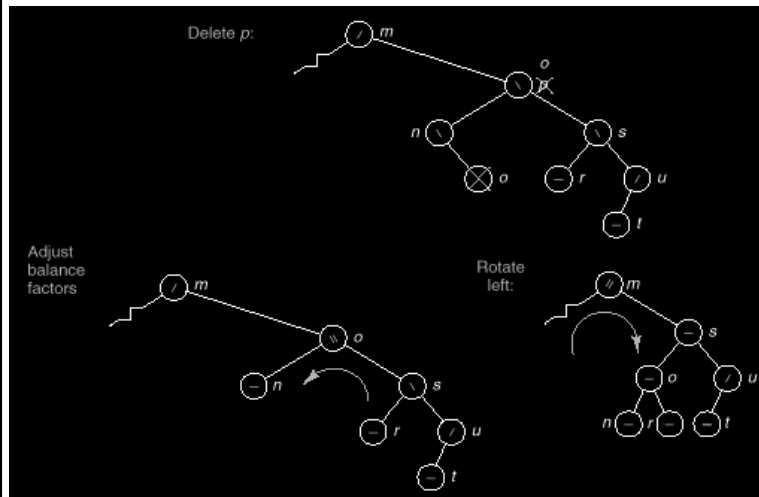
Example



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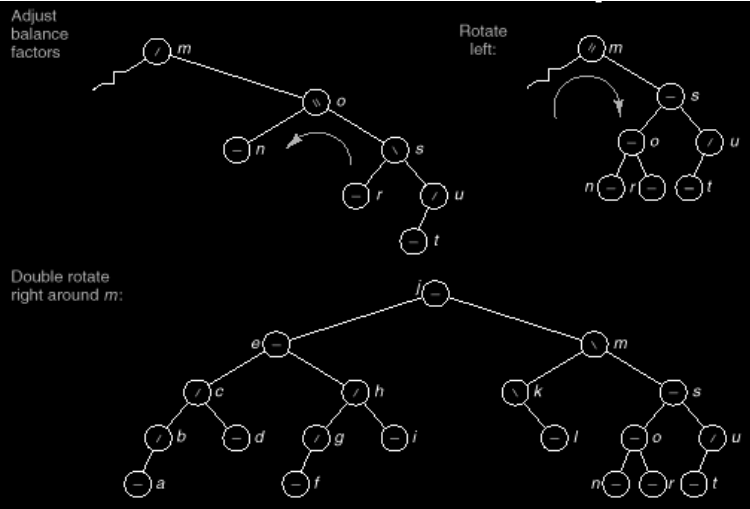
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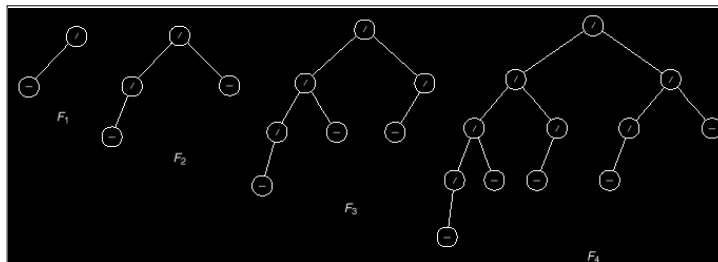
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The Height of AVL Tree (WC)

- Let F_h be the minimum number of nodes that a AVL tree of height h can have. Then:

$$|F_h| = |F_{h-1}| + |F_{h-2}| + 1$$



$|F_0| = 1$ $|F_1| = 2$ **Fibonacci Trees**



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The Height of AVL Tree (WC)

- Fibonacci vs. Our Series ($n=h+2$)

Our Series: $F_{-3}, F_{-2}, F_{-1}, F_0 = 1, F_1 = 2, \dots, F_{h-2}, F_{h-1}, F_h$

Fibonacci: $f_0 = 0, f_1 = 1, f_2 = 1, f_3 = 2, f_4 = 3, \dots, f_{h+1}, f_{h+2}$

- $|F_h| + 1$ satisfies the definition of Fibonacci number.

$$(|F_h| + 1) = (|F_{h-1}| + 1) + (|F_{h-2}| + 1)$$

- By evaluation Fibonacci:

$$(|F_h| + 1) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \left[\frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2} \right]^{h+2} = \frac{(GR)^{h+2}}{\sqrt{5}}$$

- By taking log in both sides: $h \approx 1.44 \log |F_h|$
- In the worst case AVL will perform no more than 44% more of the perfect case!



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