

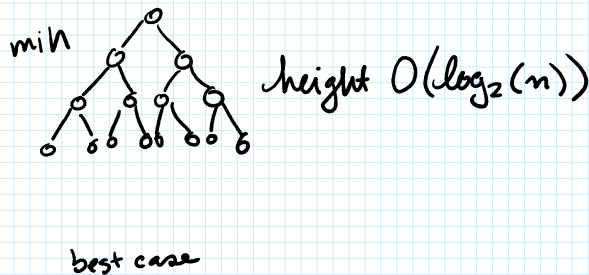
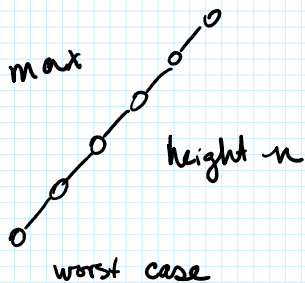
Reminder: test 2 in lab today, don't be late!

TODAY: how to rebalance a BST (at least!)

## REBALANCING A BST

We previously observed that for a BST of height  $h$  and size  $n$ , the "get" operation took  $O(h)$ .

Q: What is the maximum height of a BST of size  $n$ ?  
What is the minimum height of a BST of size  $n$ ?



A BST of size  $n$  has height  $h$  anywhere between  $O(\log_2(n))$  and  $n$ .

We'd like to guarantee that the BST is balanced so that all operations which are  $O(h)$  are  $O(\log_2(n))$ .

### AVL tree (Adelson-Velskii and Landis)

Idea: add another invariant to the BST.

An AVL tree: - is a BST (binary & BST property as invariant)  
- for every node, the height of its left subtree and the height of its right subtree differ by at most 1.

So now we need a way to keep track of the heights of subtrees. Let's store it within each node!

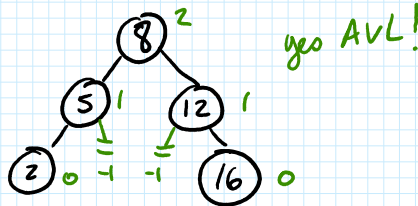
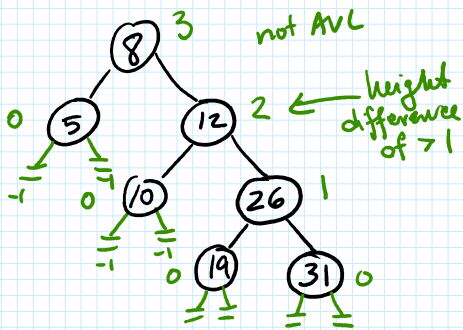
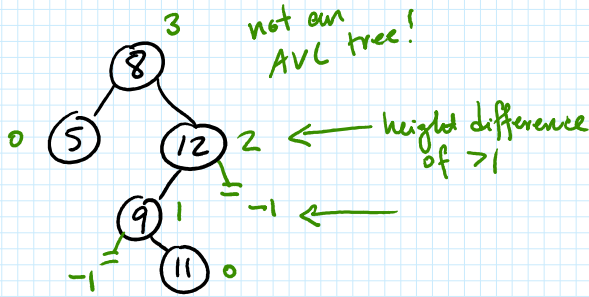
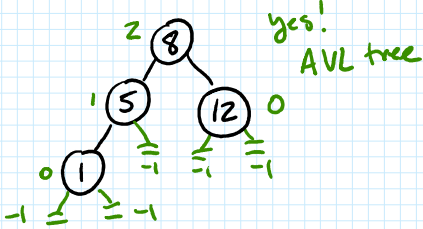
node now stores:

- value
- left

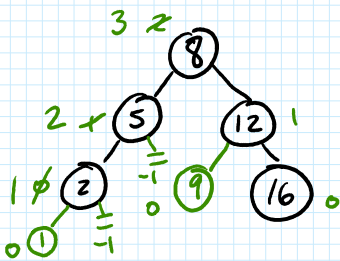
- right
- height

Reminder: The height is the depth of the deepest node.  
 Height of a single node is zero. Height of an empty tree is -1.

Are the following BSTs also AVL trees?



Suppose we start with an AVL tree:



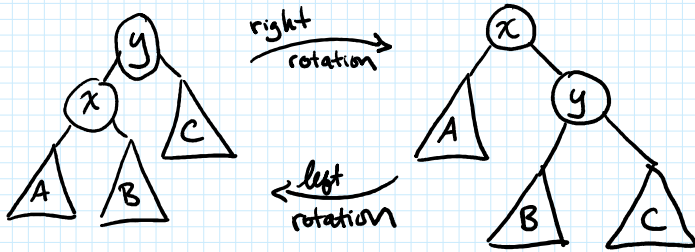
... and insert 9. Is it still an AVL tree? yes

Next we insert 1. Is it still an AVL tree? No, 5 node has imbalanced subtrees

Once we have an AVL tree, the AVL invariant can only be broken by the insert and remove operations. So we need a way to "rebalance" the AVL tree after an insert or remove.

# REBALANCING TREES WITH ROTATIONS

Imagine putting your hands on a steering wheel at  $x$  and  $y$ , then turn:

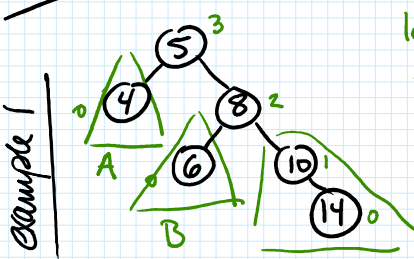


See an animation of left/right rotation:  
[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Binary\\_Tree\\_Rotation\\_\(animated\).gif](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Binary_Tree_Rotation_(animated).gif)

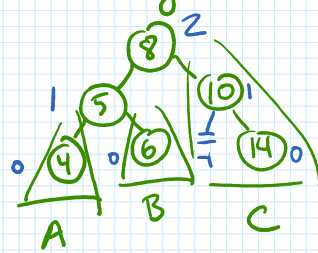
We are rebalancing the height while maintaining the BST property:  $A < x < B < y < C$

As long as the rebalancing takes only  $O(\log_2(n))$  work, all operations on the AVL tree will be  $O(\log_2(n))$ , which was our goal.

practice: rebalance the following BSTs to be AVLs:

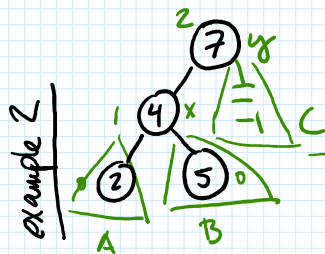
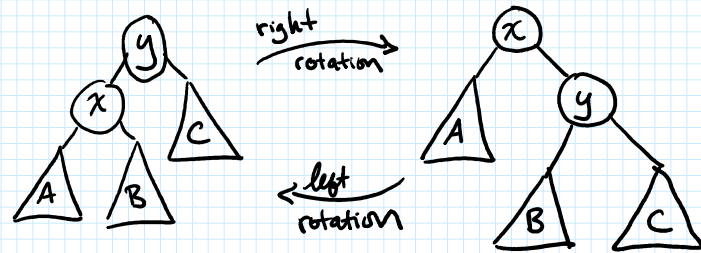


left rotation (5)  
 node 5 is  $x$   
 node 8 is  $y$

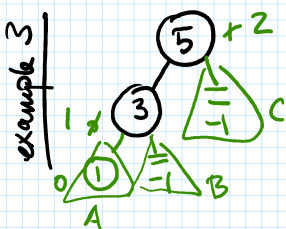
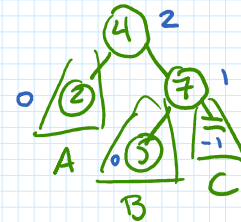


balanced AVL tree!

rotation plan:

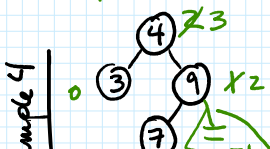
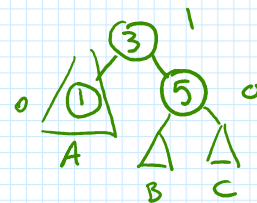


right rotation (7)



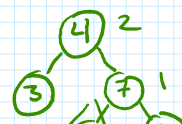
Is this an AVL tree? yes  
 insert (1)  
 Now is it an AVL tree? no  
 if not, rebalance

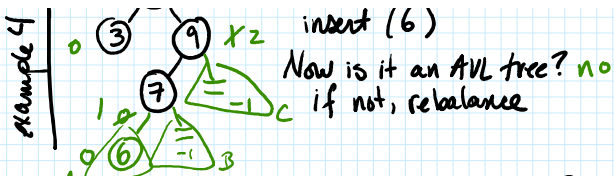
right rotate (5)



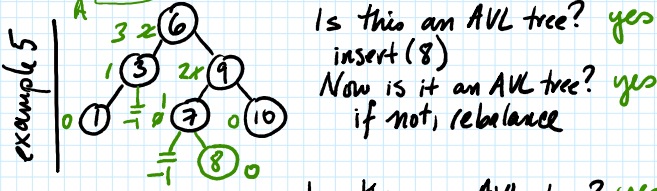
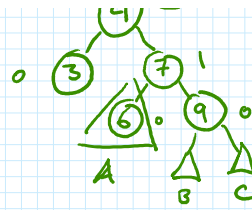
Is this an AVL tree? yes  
 insert (6)  
 Now is it an AVL tree? no  
 if not, rebalance

right rotate (9)



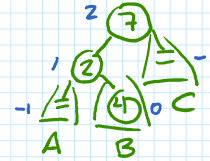


right rotate (9)



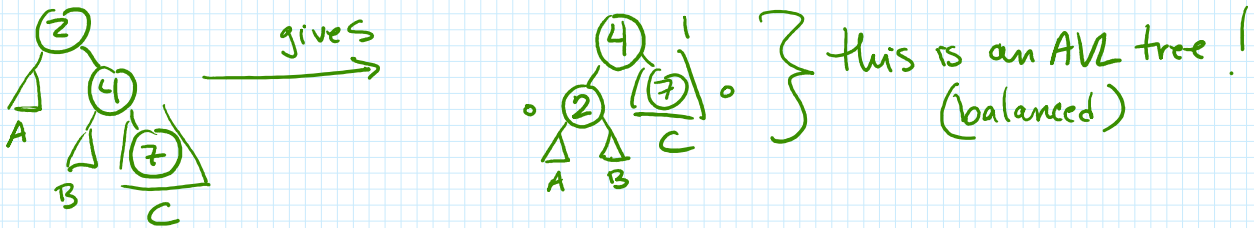
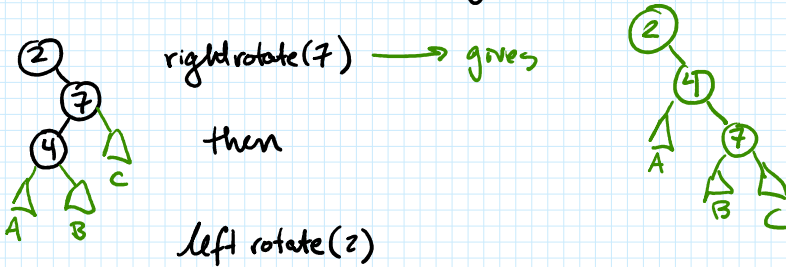
Is this an AVL tree? yes  
insert (4)  
Now is it an AVL tree? no  
if not rebalance

left rotate (2)



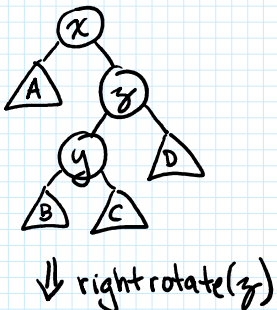
Some configurations require TWO rotations to rebalance.

- first get a linear structure
- then do a rotation to fix the height imbalance

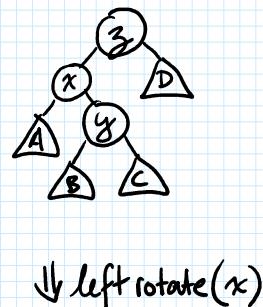


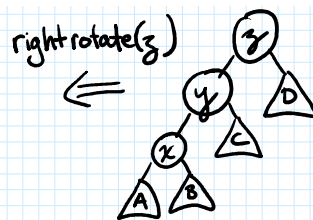
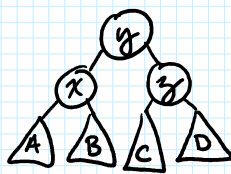
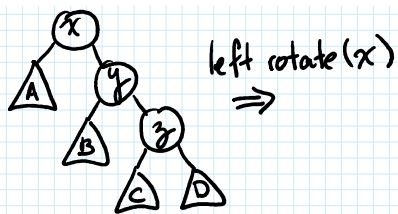
OVERALL REBALANCING SCHEME : <sup>BST property:</sup>  $(A < x < B < y < C < z < D)$

If the right subtree is too high:



If the left subtree is too high:





BALANCED AT LAST!

### pseudocode for rebalancing

Note: if subtree heights differ by at most 1, does nothing (no rebalancing necessary).

void rebalance (node)

delta = (height of right subtree) - (height of left subtree)

if delta > 1 // right subtree is too high

    if node's right's left height > node's right's right height

        set node's right to rightRotate (node's right)

    node = leftRotate (node)

else if delta < -1 // left subtree is too high

    if node's left's left height < node's left's right height

        set node's left to leftRotate (node's left)

    node = rightRotate (node)

How much work does this require? left and right rotate take constant work

Overall, rebalance also takes constant work.

### pseudocode for recalculating height of a node

void recalculateHeight (node)

if node's left is null

    left-H = -1

else

    left-H = node's left's height

if node's right is null

    right-H = -1

else

    right-H = node's right's height

node's height = max(left-H, right-H) + 1

How much work does this require? **constant**

pseudocode for insert **UPDATED FOR AVL trees**

```
void insert(K key, V value) // public method
```

// insert changes the structure of the tree, so we update root

```
root = insertInSubtree(root, key, value)
```

```
increment size
```

```
node* insertInSubtree(current, key, value) // private helper
```

```
// base case
```

```
if current is null
```

```
create a new node to store key and value, with height 0
```

```
return a pointer to that node
```

```
if key is equal to current key
```

```
throw error "no duplicate keys allowed!"
```

```
// recursive cases
```

```
if key < current's key
```

```
set current's left to insertInSubtree(current's left, key, value)
```

```
return current
```

```
recalculate Height (current)  
rebalance (current)
```

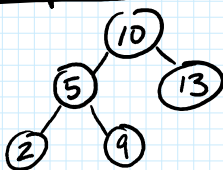
```
if key > current's key
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```
set current's right to insertInSubtree(current's right, key, value)
```

```
return current
```

```
recalculate Height (current)  
rebalance (current)
```

example



Start with an AVL tree

insert (7)

## AVL tree efficiency

- rebalance and recalculate height are  $O(1)$  operations
- we may have to rebalance and recalculate height on every node along the path from the root
- There are  $O(h)$  many nodes along that path
- $O(h) \times O(1) = O(h)$  total work to repair the tree after an insert or remove
- AVL invariant maintains that height is  $O(\log_2(n))$   
↳ thus insert and remove are  $O(\log_2(n))$  operations!

We now have an efficient Dictionary implementation. Woohoo!