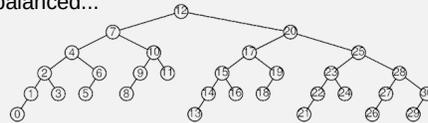
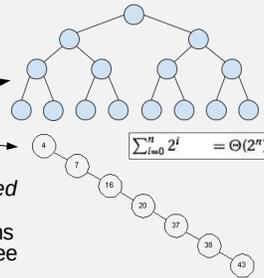


## BST Height

- height of a binary search tree
  - best case is  $O(\log n)$
  - worst case is  $O(n)$
- whether a BST of a given size is *balanced* ( $O(\log n)$  height) or *unbalanced* ( $O(n)$  height) depends on the order of insertions and removals, not the elements in the tree
- can we do better?
  - try to keep the tree balanced...



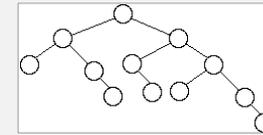
## AVL Trees

- invented by Georgy Adelson-Velsky and Evgenii Landis in 1962
- first known balanced BST data structure



An AVL tree is a BST + a height balance property:

- for every node, the height of the node's left subtree is no more than one different from the height of the node's right subtree



The height balance property ensures that the height of an AVL tree with  $n$  nodes is  $O(\log n)$ .

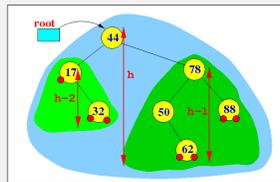
## Height of AVL Trees

Let  $N(h)$  be the minimum number of nodes in an AVL tree of height  $h$ .

- a tree with the minimum number of nodes for its height is also the tallest possible for that number of nodes

Then

- $N(h) = 1 + N(h-1) + N(h-2)$ 
  - one child must have height  $h-1$  in order for the whole tree to have height  $h$ , and  $N(h-1)$  is the minimum number of nodes that subtree can have
  - the other child's height can be no more than one different, so it can't have height less than  $h-2$ , and  $N(h-2)$  is the minimum number of nodes that subtree can have
  - +1 for the root
- $N(1) = 1, N(2) = 2$ 
  - can't have fewer than one node per level of the tree



<http://www.cs.emory.edu/~cheung/Courses/253/Syllabus/Trees/AVL-height.html>

## Height of AVL Trees

- $N(h) = 1 + N(h-1) + N(h-2) \leq 1 + 2N(h-1)$

$$T(n) = a T(n-b) + f(n) \text{ where } f(n) = \Theta(n^c \log^d n)$$

Cases are based on the number of subproblems and  $f(n)$ .

a	f(n)	behavior	solution
> 1	any	base case dominates (too many leaves)	$T(n) = \Theta(a^{n/b})$
1	$\geq 1$	all levels are important	$T(n) = \Theta(n f(n))$

$$N(h) = O(2^h) \\ \rightarrow h = \log(N(h))$$

## Operations on AVL Trees

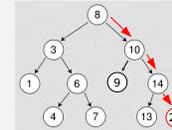
An AVL tree is a BST, so the find operation is no different.

For insert and remove:

- insert/remove as dictated by the (BST) structural and ordering rules
- fix up the broken balance property as needed

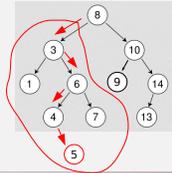
## Insert

- structural property dictates that insertion only occurs at a leaf
- ordering property dictates where



insert 20

no height-balance violations – we're done!

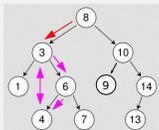


insert 5

height-balance property violated – uh oh!

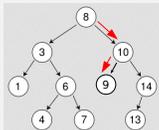
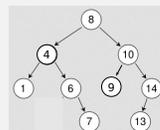
## Remove

- structural property dictates that removal only occurs above a leaf
  - may need to swap desired element with next larger/smaller in order to satisfy the structural property



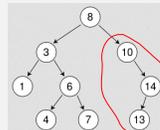
remove 3

swap with 4 and remove  
no height-balance violations –  
we're done!



remove 9

height-balance property  
violated – uh oh!

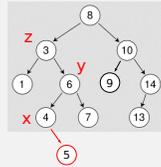


## Restructuring

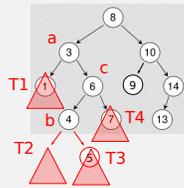
Both insertion and deletion may break the height balance property.

Restore it by performing one or more *restructuring operations* (or *rotations*).

## Restructuring



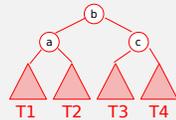
let  $z$  be the first unbalanced node (working up the tree from the point of insertion/deletion)  
 let  $y$  be  $z$ 's tallest child  
 let  $x$  be  $y$ 's tallest child



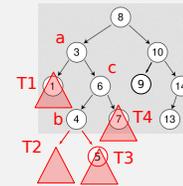
relabel  $x, y, z$  as  $a, b, c$  according to their correct sorted order

label the other subtree children of  $a, b, c$  as  $T1, T2, T3, T4$  according to their correct sorted order

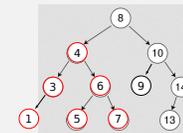
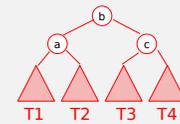
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## Restructuring



rearrange as shown:



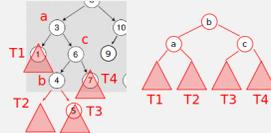
height balance property restored!

## Restructuring

How many restructuring operations are needed?

Observation.

- restructuring reduces the height of a subtree



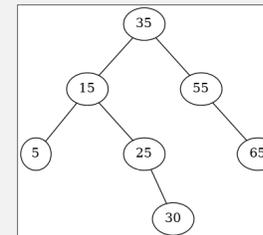
Insertion –

- insertion increases the height of a subtree, so one restructuring is sufficient to shorten it and restore balance

Removal –

- removal decreases the height of a subtree, so one restructuring may result in only pushing the imbalance higher up the tree
- $O(\log n)$  restructurings may be required

## Insert Examples

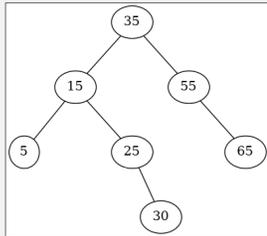


insert 50  
 insert 10  
 insert 20  
 insert 60

- insert/remove as normal for a BST, then fix the balance property if broken
- must check from the inserted/removed node back up to the root to find unbalanced nodes – what becomes unbalanced might not be directly above the new/removed node
- at most one restructuring needed for insertion, but have to check the whole removed node to root path for removal (may need multiple restructurings)

## Delete Examples

swap with successor



delete 30  
delete 25

delete 15  
delete 55

- insert/remove as normal for a BST, then fix the balance property if broken
- must check from the inserted/removed node back up to the root to find unbalanced nodes - what becomes unbalanced might not be directly above the new/removed node
- at most one restructuring needed for insertion, but have to check the whole removed node to root path for removal (may need multiple restructurings)

## Running Time

- initial BST insert/remove -  $O(\log n)$
- number of nodes to check for balance -  $O(\log n)$
- time to perform a balance check -  $O(1)$  if height info is stored for each node
- time to perform one restructuring -  $O(1)$
- number of restructurings performed - 1 for insertion,  $O(\log n)$  for removal
- time to update stored balance information -  $O(\log n)$  nodes affected,  $O(1)$  per

Total time:  $O(\log n)$  for insert/remove

Dictionary operation	Unsorted array	Sorted array	Singly linked		balanced BST
			unsorted	sorted	
Search( $A, k$ )	$O(n)$	$O(\log n)$	$O(n)$	$O(n)$	$O(\log n)$
Insert( $A, x$ )	$O(1)$	$O(n)$	$O(1)$	$O(n)$	$O(\log n)$
Delete( $A, x$ ) or Delete( $A, k$ ) (given location of $x$ )	$O(1)^*$	$O(n)$	$O(1)^*$	$O(1)^*$	$O(\log n)$
Remove( $A, x$ ) or Remove( $A, k$ ) (not given location of $x$ )	$O(n)$	$O(n)$	$O(n)$	$O(n)$	$O(\log n)$

requires search + delete