

# Binary Search Trees: AVL Tree Implementation

Daniel Kane

Department of Computer Science and Engineering  
University of California, San Diego

Data Structures  
Data Structures and Algorithms

# Learning Objectives

- Implement AVL trees.
- Understand the cases required for rebalancing algorithms.

# Outline

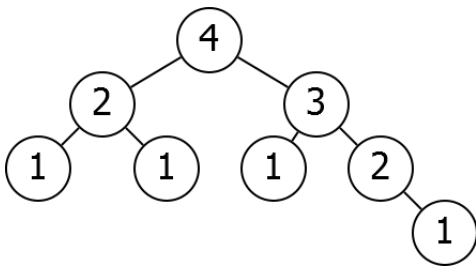
1 AVL Trees

2 Insert

3 Delete

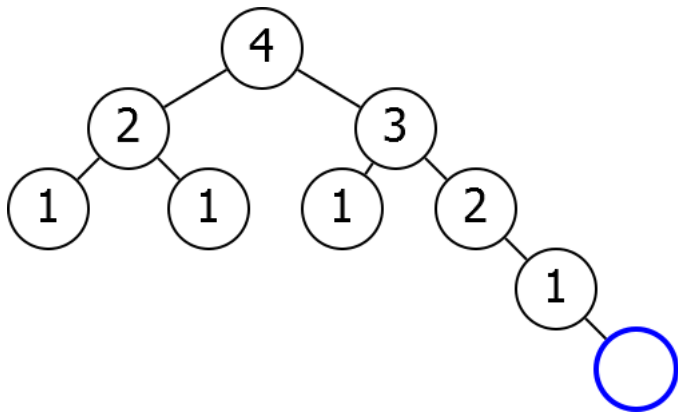
# AVL Trees

Need ensure that children have nearly the same height.



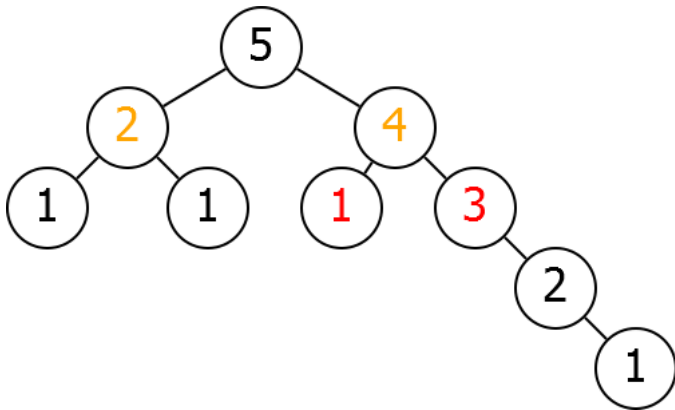
# Problem

Updates to the tree can destroy this property.



# Problem

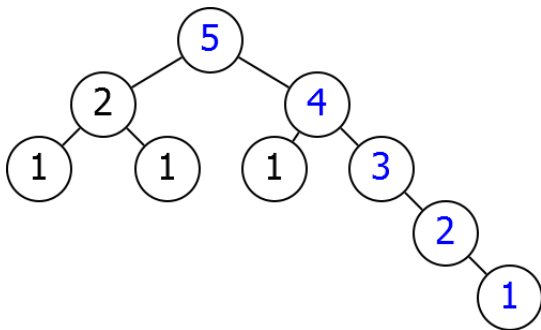
Updates to the tree can destroy this property.



Need to correct this.

# Errors

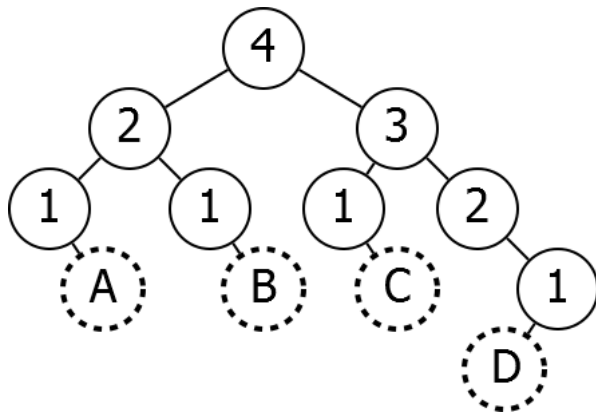
Heights stay the same except on the insertion path.



Only need to worry about this path.

# Problem

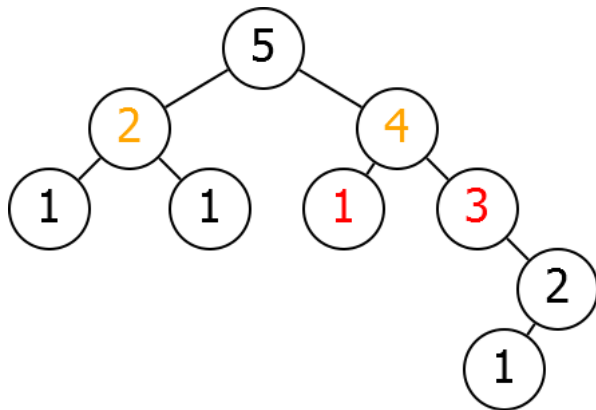
Which insertion would require the tree to be rebalanced in order to maintain the AVL property?





# Problem

Which insertion would require the tree to be rebalanced in order to maintain the AVL property?



# Outline

1 AVL Trees

2 Insert

3 Delete

# Insertion

We need a new insertion algorithm that involves rebalancing the tree to maintain the AVL property.

# Idea

**AVLInsert( $k, R$ )**

Insert( $k, R$ )

$N \leftarrow \text{Find}(k, R)$

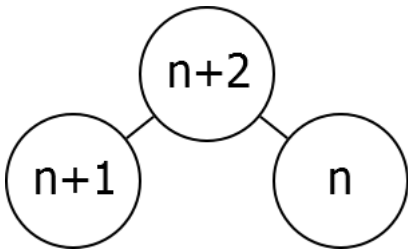
Rebalance( $N$ )

# Rebalancing

If

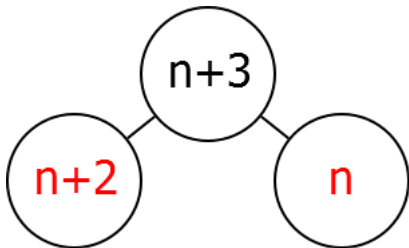
$$|N.\text{Left.Height} - N.\text{Right.Height}| \leq 1$$

fine.



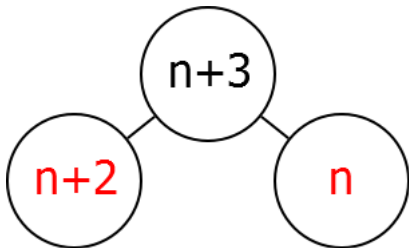
# Problem

Difficulty if heights differ by more.



# Problem

Difficulty if heights differ by more.



Never more than 2.

# Code

## Rebalance(*N*)

```
P ← N.Parent
if N.Left.Height > N.Right.Height + 1:
    RebalanceRight(N)
if N.Right.Height > N.Left.Height + 1:
    RebalanceLeft(N)
AdjustHeight(N)
if P ≠ null:
    Rebalance(P)
```



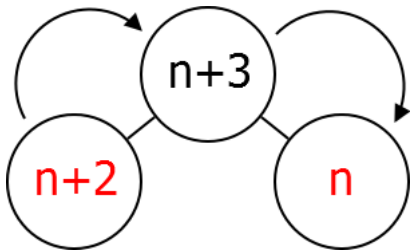
# Adjust Height

AdjustHeight( $N$ )

$$N.\text{Height} \leftarrow 1 + \max(\begin{array}{l} N.\text{Left}.\text{Height}, \\ N.\text{Right}.\text{Height} \end{array})$$

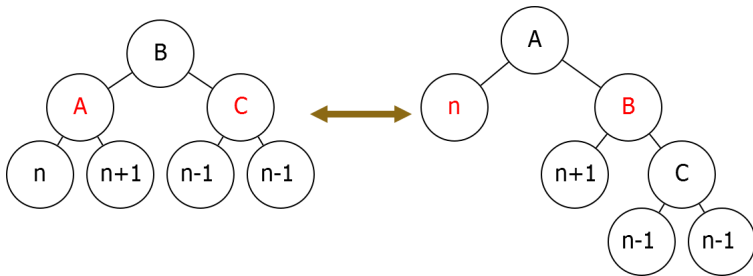
# Rebalancing

If left subtree too heavy, rotate right:



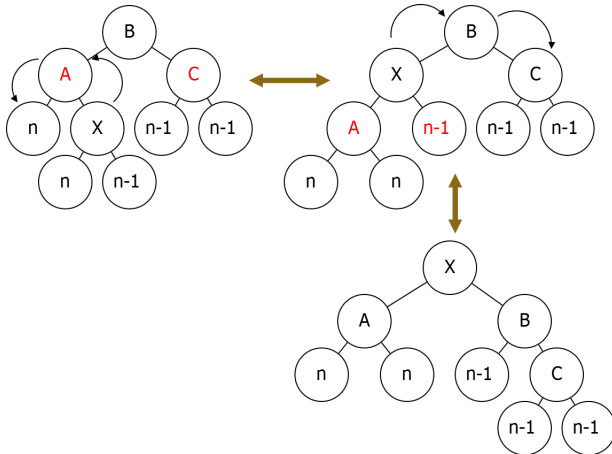
# Bad Case

Doesn't work in this case.



# Fix

Must rotate left first.



# Rebalance

## RebalanceRight( $N$ )

$M \leftarrow N.\text{Left}$

if  $M.\text{Right}.\text{Height} > M.\text{Left}.\text{Height}$ :

    RotateLeft( $M$ )

RotateRight( $N$ )

AdjustHeight on affected nodes

# Outline

① AVL Trees

② Insert

③ Delete



# New Delete

AVLDelete( $N$ )

Delete( $N$ )

$M \leftarrow$  Left child of node replacing  $N$

Rebalance( $M$ )



# Conclusion

## Summary

AVL trees can implement all of the basic operations in  $O(\log(n))$  time per operation.