

# Lab07-Trees

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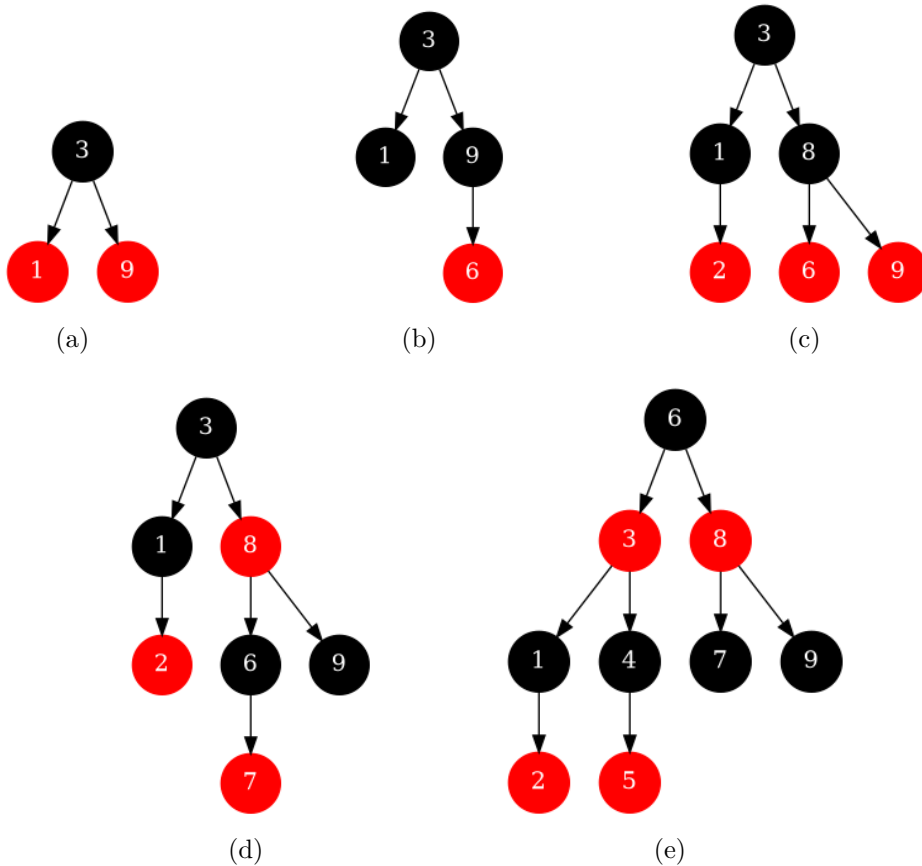
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## 1. Red-black Tree

- (a) Suppose that we insert a sequence of keys 9, 3, 1 into an initially empty red-black tree. Draw the resulting red-black tree.
- (b) Suppose that we further insert key 6 into the red-black tree you get in Problem (1-a). Draw the resulting red-black tree.
- (c) Suppose that we further insert keys 2, 8 into the red-black tree you get in Problem (1-b). Draw the resulting red-black tree.
- (d) Suppose that we further insert key 7 into the red-black tree you get in Problem (1-c). Draw the resulting red-black tree.
- (e) Suppose that we further insert keys 4, 5 into the red-black tree you get in Problem (1-d). Draw the resulting red-black tree.

When you draw the red-black tree, please indicate the color of each node in the tree. For example, you can color each node or put a letter **b**/**r** near each node.

**Solution.**

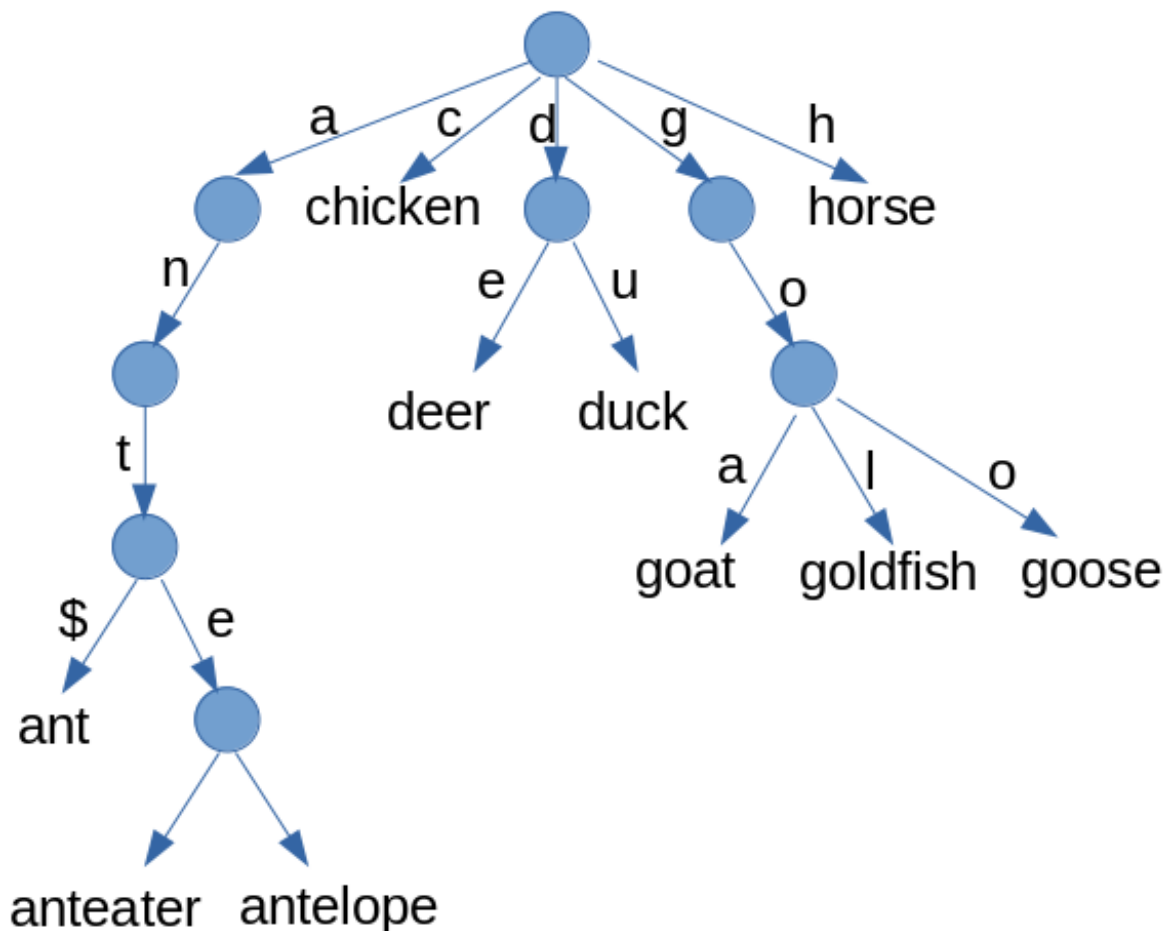


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2. Show the alphabet trie for the following collection of words: {chicken, goose, deer, horse, antelope, anteater, goldfish, ant, goat, duck}.

**Solution.**

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3. Show that any arbitrary  $n$ -node binary search tree can be transformed into any other arbitrary  $n$ -node binary search tree using  $O(n)$  rotations.

**Hint:** First show that at most  $n-1$  right rotations suffice to transform the tree into a right-skewed binary search tree.

**Solution.**

a). Each right rotation will increase the length of the rightmost chain by at least 1. Therefore, for an arbitrary  $n$ -node BST, in the worst case (the right most chain has only 1 node), it needs  $n - 1$  right rotations to transform the BST into a right-skewed BST.

b). Suppose we start from  $T_1$ , and transform  $T_1$  into  $T_2$ . From  $T_1$  to right-skewed BST, we need  $m$  right rotations, and From  $T_2$  to right-skewed BST, we need  $k$  right rotations. Since rotation is reversible, we can do  $k$  steps of reverse right rotations to transform right-skewed BST to  $T_2$ . Therefore, in total, we need  $m + k < (n - 1) + (n - 1) = 2n - 2 = O(n)$  rotations to transform  $T_1$  into  $T_2$ .

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4. Suppose that an AVL tree insertion breaks the AVL balance condition. Suppose node  $P$  is the first node that has a balance condition violation in the insertion access path from the leaf. Assume the key is inserted into the left subtree of  $P$  and the left child of  $P$  is node  $A$ . Prove the following claims:

- (a) Before insertion, the balance factor of node  $P$  is 1. After insertion and before applying rotation to fix the violation, the balance factor of node  $P$  is 2.
- (b) Before insertion, the balance factor of node  $A$  is 0. After insertion and before applying rotation to fix the violation, the balance factor of node  $A$  cannot be 0.

**Solution.**

- (a) Suppose before insertion,  $B_P = h_{P,l} - h_{P,r}$ ,  $B_A = h_{A,l} - h_{A,r}$ .

After insertion,  $B'_P = h'_{P,l} - h'_{P,r}$ ,  $B'_A = h'_{A,l} - h'_{A,r}$ .

Since the key is inserted into the left subtree of  $P$ ,  $h'_{P,r} = h_{P,r}$ , and  $0 \leq h'_{P,l} - h_{P,l} \leq 1$ .

Therefore, we have  $0 \leq B'_P - B_P \leq 1$ ,

Since  $P$  is balanced before insertion,  $-1 \leq B_P \leq B'_P \leq B_P + 1 \leq 2$ .

But since  $P$  is not balanced after insertion,  $|B'_P| \geq 2 \Rightarrow B'_P = 2$ .

Then  $2 \leq B_P + 1 \leq 2 \Rightarrow B_P = 1$ .

- (b) We have  $B_P = h_{P,l} - h_{P,r} = \max\{h_{A,l}, h_{A,r}\} - h_{P,r} = 1$ .

$B'_P = \max\{h'_{A,l}, h'_{A,r}\} - h'_{P,r} = \max\{h'_{A,l}, h'_{A,r}\} - h_{P,r} = 2$ .

Therefore,  $\max\{h'_{A,l}, h'_{A,r}\} = \max\{h_{A,l}, h_{A,r}\} + 1$ .

Suppose the key is inserted into the left subtree of node  $A$ :

Then,  $h'_{A,r} = h_{A,r} \Rightarrow \max\{h'_{A,l}, h_{A,r}\} = \max\{h_{A,l}, h_{A,r}\} + 1$

If  $h'_{A,l} < h_{A,r}$

then  $h_{A,r} = \max\{h_{A,l}, h_{A,r}\} + 1$

$\Rightarrow h'_{A,l} < h_{A,r} = h_{A,l} + 1$

which is impossible because the key is inserted into the left subtree of  $A$ .

So,  $h'_{A,l} = \max\{h_{A,l}, h_{A,r}\} + 1$

So,  $h'_{A,l} - h_{A,l} = \max\{h_{A,l}, h_{A,r}\} - h_{A,l} + 1 \geq 1 \Rightarrow h'_{A,l} - h_{A,l} = 1$

Therefore,  $B'_A = B_A + 1 \leq 1$ .

If  $B_A = -1$ , then the key must be inserted into the left of node  $A$ , or it will violate the balance condition.

Then,  $h'_{P,l} = h_{P,l}$ ,  $B'_P = B_P = 1$ , which contradicts to what we proved in (a).

Therefore,  $B_A = 0$ ,  $B'_A = 1$ .

Similarly, if the key is inserted into the right of node  $A$ , we can get  $B_A = 0$ ,  $B'_A = -1$ .

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