# **AVL Tree Rotations**

• In an AVL tree (Adelson-Velsky and Landis tree), rotations are used to maintain the balance property after insertion or deletion. An AVL tree is a type of self-balancing binary search tree where the difference in heights between the left and right subtrees of any node (called the balance factor) is at most 1.

When an imbalance is detected (balance factor becomes +2 or -2), rotations are performed to restore balance. There are four types of rotations:

- Right Rotation (Single Rotation)
- Left Rotation (Single Rotation)
- Left-Right Rotation (Double Rotation)
- Right-Left Rotation (Double Rotation)

# Right Rotation (Single Rotation)

This is used when there is a **left-heavy imbalance** (the left subtree of a node has more height).

### • Case: Left-Left (LL) Imbalance

If the imbalance occurs in the left subtree of the left child, we use a **right rotation**.

## • Steps:

The left child of the unbalanced node becomes the new root.

The unbalanced node becomes the right child of the new root.

```
Before Right Rotation (LL imbalance):
    z
    /
    y
    /
    x

After Right Rotation:
    y
    / \
    x    z
```

# Left Rotation (Single Rotation)

This is used when there is a **right-heavy imbalance** (the right subtree of a node has more height).

#### **Case: Right-Right (RR) Imbalance**

•If the imbalance occurs in the right subtree of the right child, we use a **left rotation**.

#### **Steps**:

- •The right child of the unbalanced node becomes the new root.
- •The unbalanced node becomes the left child of the new root.

```
Before Left Rotation (RR imbalance):
    z
    \
    y
    \
    x

After Left Rotation:
    y
    / \
    z    x
```

# Left-Right Rotation (Double Rotation)

• This is used when there is a **left-right imbalance** (the left child has a right-heavy subtree).

### **Case: Left-Right (LR) Imbalance**

- •The left subtree of the node has more height, but the right child of the left subtree is the problem.
- •First, perform a **left rotation** on the left child, then a **right rotation** on the unbalanced node.

### **Steps**:

- 1.Perform a left rotation on the left child.
- 2.Perform a right rotation on the unbalanced node.

```
Before Left-Right Rotation (LR imbalance):
      Z
      X
After Left Rotation on y:
      Z
    Х
After Right Rotation on z:
      X
```

# Right-Left Rotation (Double Rotation)

This is used when there is a **right-left imbalance** (the right child has a left-heavy subtree).

#### **Case: Right-Left (RL) Imbalance**

- •The right subtree of the node has more height, but the left child of the right subtree is the problem.
- •First, perform a **right rotation** on the right child, then a **left rotation** on the unbalanced node.

#### **Steps**:

- 1.Perform a right rotation on the right child.
- 2.Perform a left rotation on the unbalanced node.

```
Before Right-Left Rotation (RL imbalance):
    Z
      У
    Х
After Right Rotation on y:
    Z
      Х
After Left Rotation on z:
      Х
```