## **AVL Tree**

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## Balanced binary tree

- ➤ The disadvantage of a binary search tree is that its height can be as large as N-1
- ➤ Time needed to perform insertion and deletion and many other operations can be O(N) in the worst case
- Goal is to keep the height of a binary search tree balanced
- > Such trees are called balanced binary search trees. Examples are AVL tree, red-black tree

#### **AVL Tree**

- Named after Adelson-Velskii and Landis
- > The first dynamically balanced trees
- ➤ Its Binary search tree with **balance condition** in which the sub-trees of each node can differ by **at most 1** in their height i.e in the range -1 to 1
- balancefactor = height(right-subtree) height(left-subtree)
- If balanceFactor is **negative**, the node is **"heavy on the left"** since the height of the left subtree is greater than the height of the right subtree
- With balanceFactor positive, the node is "heavy on the right"
- > A balanced node has balancefactor = 0

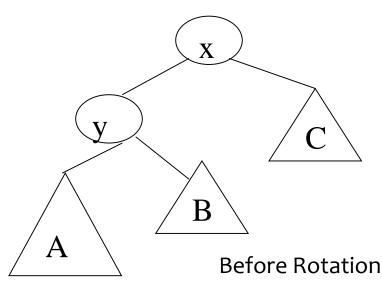
#### **Balance Factor**

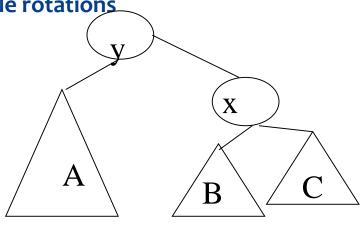
- > The value of the field is the **difference** between the height of the **right** and **left subtrees** of the node
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#### Rotations

When the tree structure changes (e.g., insertion or deletion), we need to transform the tree to restore the AVL tree property

This is done by using single rotations or double rotations.





After Rotation

#### Rotations

- Since an insertion/deletion involves adding/deleting a single node, this can only increase/decrease the height of some subtree by 1
- ➤ If the AVL tree property is violated at a node x, it means that the heights of left(x) ad right(x) differ by exactly 2
- Rotation will be applied to x to restore the AVL tree property

# Rebalancing

- Suppose the node to be rebalanced is **X**. There are **4 cases** that we might have to fix (two are the mirror images of the other two):
  - 1. An insertion in the **left subtree** of the **left child** of X
  - 2. An insertion in the **right subtree** of the **left child** of X
  - 3. An insertion in the **left subtree** of the **right child** of X
  - 4. An insertion in the **right subtree** of the **right child** of X

## Balancing Operations: Rotations

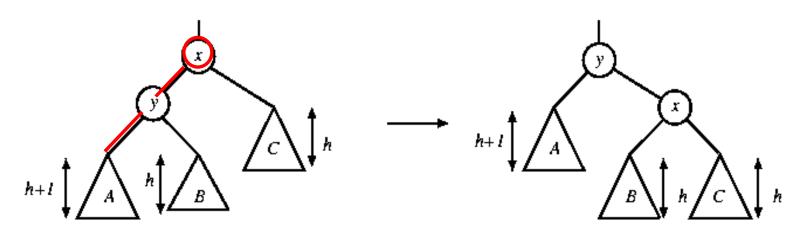
- Case 1 and case 4 are symmetric and requires the same operation for balance
  - Cases 1,4 are handled by single rotation
- Case 2 and case 3 are symmetric and requires the same operation for balance
  - Cases 2,3 are handled by double rotation

## Single Rotation

- ➤ A single rotation switches the roles of the parent and child while maintaining the search order
- Rotate between a node and its child
  - Child becomes parent. Parent becomes right child in case 1, left child in case 4

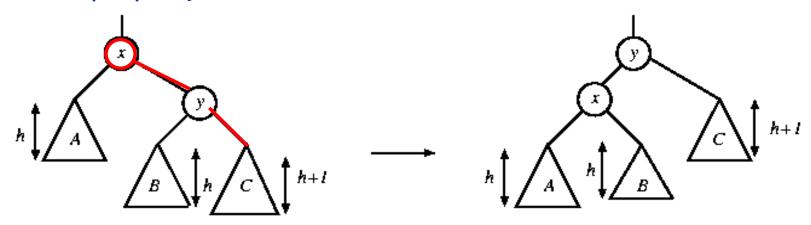
# Single rotation

- The new key is inserted in the **subtree A**.
- ➤ The AVL-property is **violated at x**
- $\rightarrow$  Height of left(x) is **h+2**
- Height of right(x) is h



# Single rotation

- The new key is inserted in the **subtree C**
- ➤ The AVL-property is **violated at x**



Rotate with right child

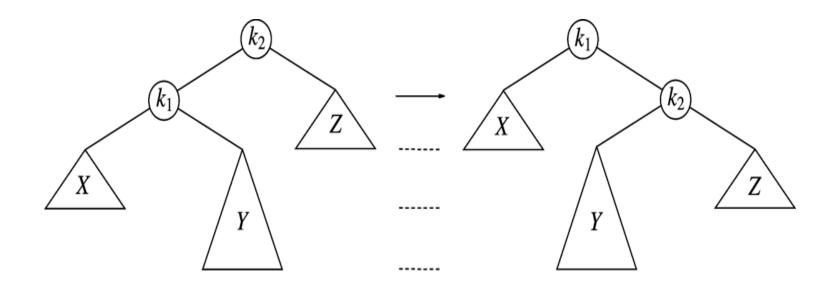
Single rotation takes O(1) time. Insertion takes O(log N) time.

# Single Rotation

```
/**
          * Rotate binary tree node with left child.
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          * For AVL trees, this is a single rotation for case 1.
 4
          * Update heights, then set new root.
 5
 6
         void rotateWithLeftChild( AvlNode * & k2 )
8
             AvlNode *k1 = k2 -> left:
 9
             k2->left = k1->right;
10
             k1->right = k2;
11
             k2->height = max( height( k2->left ), height( k2->right ) ) + 1;
             k1->height = max(height(k1->left), k2->height) + 1;
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             k2 = k1;
14
                       (k_1)
```

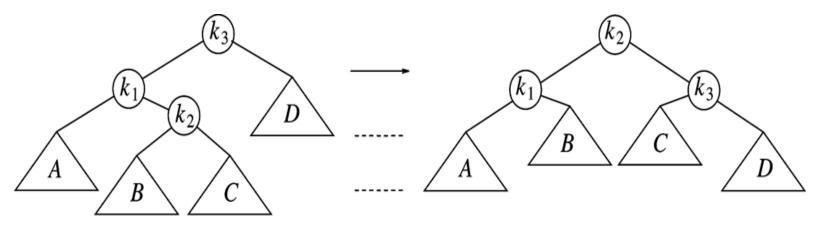
# Single Rotation Will Not Work for the Other Case

- For case 2
- ➤ After single rotation, k₁ still **not balanced**
- ➤ Double rotations needed for case 2 and case 3



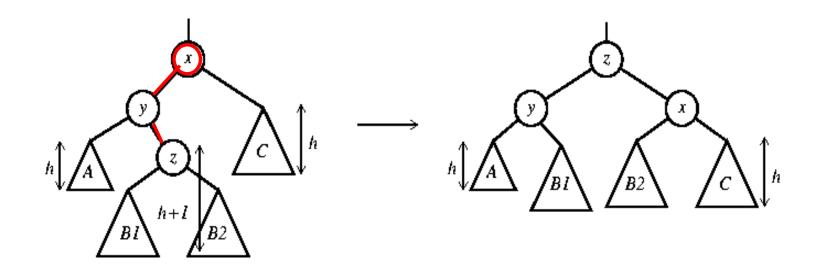
#### **Double Rotation**

- Left-right double rotation to fix case 2
- First rotate between k₁ and k₂
- $\triangleright$  Then rotate between  $\mathbf{k}_2$  and  $\mathbf{k}_3$
- Case 3 is similar



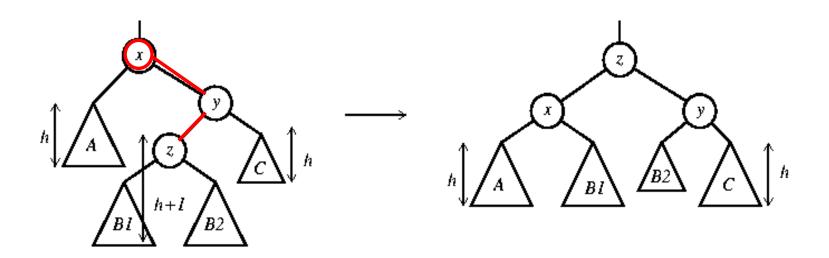
#### Double rotation

- The new key is inserted in the subtree B1 or B2
- ➤ The AVL-property is violated at x
- >x-y-z forms a zig-zag shape



### Double rotation

- ➤ The new key is inserted in the subtree B1 or B2
- ➤ The AVL-property is violated at x



#### Node declaration for AVL trees

```
template <class Comparable>
class AvlTree;
template <class Comparable>
class AvlNode
   Comparable element;
  AvlNode *left;
  AvlNode *right;
   int height;
  AvlNode (const Comparable & theElement, AvlNode *lt,
            AvlNode *rt, int h = 0)
     : element ( the Element ), left ( lt ), right ( rt ),
                height(h) { }
   friend class AvlTree<Comparable>;
```

# Height

```
template class <Comparable>
int AvlTree<Comparable>::height(
  AvlNode<Comparable> *t) const
{
  return t == NULL ? -1 : t->height;
}
```

#### **Double Rotation**

```
/ * *
 * Double rotate binary tree node: first left child.
 * with its right child; then node k3 with new left child.
  For AVL trees, this is a double rotation for case 2.
 * Update heights, then set new root.
 * /
template <class Comparable>
void AvlTree<Comparable>::doubleWithLeftChild(
  AvlNode<Comparable> * & k3 ) const
   rotateWithRightChild( k3->left );
   rotateWithLeftChild( k3 );
```

```
/* Internal method to insert into a subtree.
* x is the item to insert.
 * t is the node that roots the tree.
template <class Comparable>
void AvlTree<Comparable>::insert( const Comparable & x, AvlNode<Comparable> * & t
  ) const
   if ( t == NULL )
     t = new AvlNode<Comparable>( x, NULL, NULL );
   else if (x < t->element)
     insert( x, t->left );
     if (height (t->left) - height (t->right) == 2)
       if (x < t->left->element)
           rotateWithLeftChild( t );
       else
           doubleWithLeftChild( t );
   else if (t->element < x)
       insert( x, t->right );
       if( height( t->right ) - height( t->left ) == 2 )
          if( t->right->element < x )</pre>
             rotateWithRightChild( t );
          else
             doubleWithRightChild( t );
    else
          // Duplicate; do nothing
    t->height = max(height(t->left), height(t->right)) + 1;
```

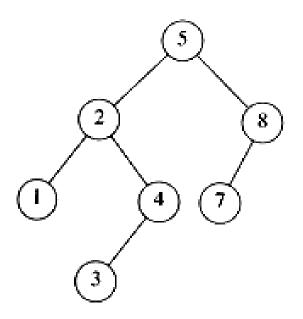
#### Insertion

- First, insert the new key as a new leaf just as in ordinary binary search tree
- Then trace the path from the new leaf towards the root. For each node x encountered, check if heights of left(x) and right(x) differ by at most 1
- ➢ If yes, proceed to parent(x). If not, restructure by doing either a single rotation or a double rotation
- For insertion, once we perform a rotation at a node x, we won't need to perform any rotation at any ancestor of x

#### Insertion

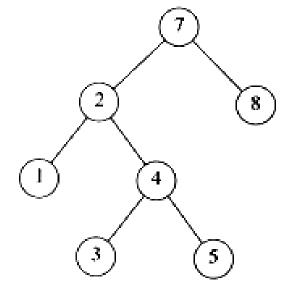
- $\triangleright$  Let x be the node at which left(x) and right(x) differ by more than 1
- > Assume that the height of x is h+3
- > There are 4 cases
  - Height of left(x) is h+2 (i.e. height of right(x) is h)
    - \* Height of left(left(x)) is  $h+1 \Rightarrow$  single rotate with left child
    - \* Height of right(left(x)) is  $h+1 \Rightarrow$  double rotate with left child
  - Height of right(x) is h+2 (i.e. height of left(x) is h)
    - \* Height of right(right(x)) is  $h+1 \Rightarrow$  single rotate with right child
    - \* Height of left(right(x)) is  $h+1 \Rightarrow$  double rotate with right child

## AVL tree?



#### **YES**

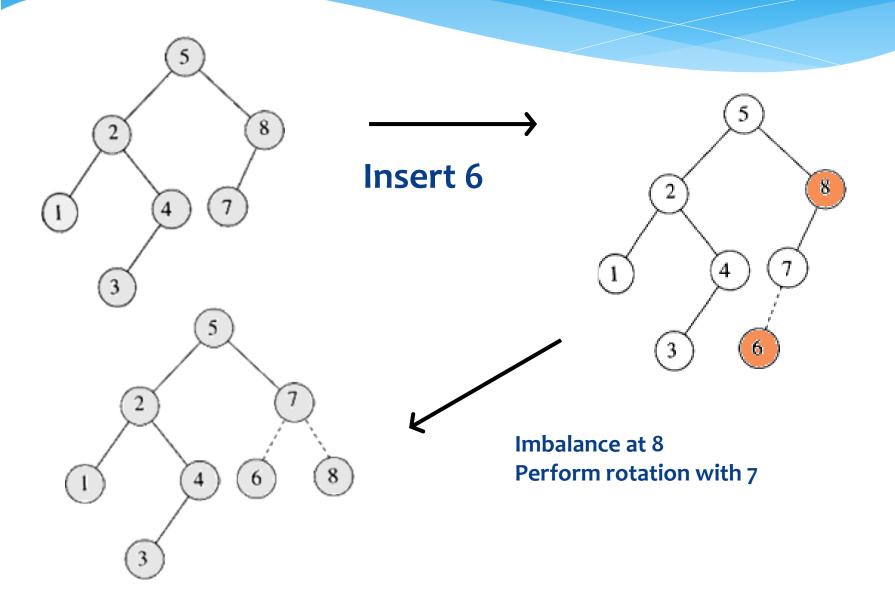
Each left sub-tree has height 1 greater than each right sub-tree

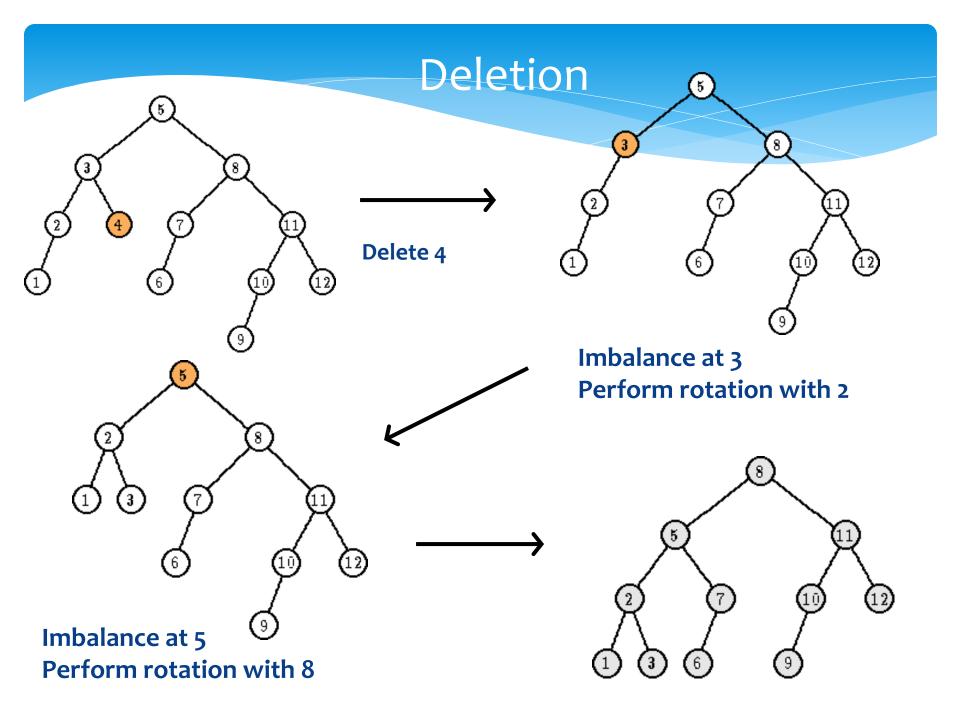


#### NO N

Left sub-tree has height 3, but right sub-tree has height 1

## Insertion





#### Insert 3,2,1,4,5,6,7, 16,15,14

