# Quicksort And Liner Time Sorts - Recitation 6

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#### Abstract

In this recitation we will review the new data structures you've seen - Binary search trees, and specifically AVL trees. We'll revise the different operations, go over the important concepts of balance factor and rotations and see some examples. If there's time left - we will prove that the height of an AVL tree is  $O(\log(n))$ .

### 1 AVL trees

Reminders:

A binary tree is a tree (T, r) with  $r \in V$ , such that  $\deg(v) \leq 2$  for any  $v \in V$ .

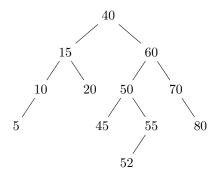
A tree's height h(T) (sometimes h(r)) is defined to be the length of the longest simple path from r to a leaf.

A binary search tree is a binary tree (T, r) such that for any node x (root of a subtree) and a node in that subtree y:

- 1. if y is in the left subtree of x then  $y.key \le x.key$
- 2. if y is in the right subtree of x then x.key < y.key

Note that this is a (relatively) local property.

For example:



Go over the properties, calculate the tree's height. Make sure you understand the definitions!

in the lecture, we've seen some operations that can be performed on BSTs, and proved correctness for some of them. These were: Search(x), Min(T), Max(T), Pred(x), Succ(x), Insert(x), Delete(x). All of these operations take O(h(T)) in the worst case.

Can do one or two examples, but this is not the heart of the recitation. The main two operations that may cause problems are *Insert* and *Delete*, as they change the tree's height (consider inserting 81, 82, 83, 84 to our working example). To address this problem, we introduce another filed: for each node v add a field of h(v) = the height of the subtree who's root is v. This allows us to maintain the AVL property:

An AVL tree is a balanced BST, such that for any node x, it's left and right subtrees' height differ in no more than 1. In other words:

$$|h(left(x)) - h(right(x))| \le 1$$

This field allows us to calculate the Balance Factor for each node in O(1):

For each node  $x \in T$ , it's Balance Factor is defined

$$hd(x) := h(left(x)) - h(right(x))$$

In AVL trees, we would like to maintain  $|hd(x)| \leq 1$ 

For our working example, the node 60's hd is h(50) - h(70) = 1, and hd(50) = h(45) - h(55) = -1. You can check and see that this is an AVL tree. So to make sure that we can actually maintain time complexity  $O(\log(n))$ , we'd want to:

- 1. Show that for an AVL tree,  $h(T) = \theta(\log(n))$  (If there's time left)
- 2. See how to correct violations in AVL property using **rotations**
- 3. See how to Delete and Insert, while maintaining the height field.

### 1.1 Rotations

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Rotations allow us to maintain the AVL property, in O(1) time (you've discussed this in the lecture - changing subtree's roots). In this schematic representation of rotations, x, y are nodes and  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  are subtrees. Note that the BST property is maintained!

The Balance factor allows us to identify if the AVL property was violated, and moreover - the exact values of the bad Balance factors will tell us which rotations to do to fix this:

Taken from last year's recitation:

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Let's analyze one of these cases:

Let's see why R rotation Fixes LL violation:

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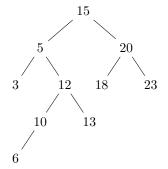
This is the general form of LL violations. Analyze the heights of subtrees. Denote h the height of  $A_L$  before inserting v. So  $A_R$ 's height has to also be h:

If it's height was h + 1, the insertion wouldn't have created a violation in B (A's height would have stayed the same). If it was h - 1, the violation would've appeared first in A (not in B). Thus, A's height is h + 1.  $B_R$ 's height is also h: If it was h + 1 or h + 2, no violation in B had occurred.

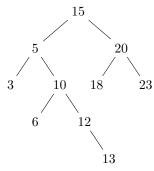
After the rotation, the tree looks like this:

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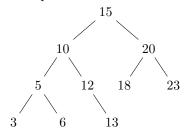
So all the nodes here maintain AVL property; why is it maintained in general? Detect the violation in the following tree, and perform the necessary rotations:



The first node in which a violation occurred is 5, this is an RL violation: Perform R rotation on the right child:



Then perform L rotation on the root of the relevant subtree (5):



### 1.2 Delete, Insert

The principles of the *Delete* and *Insert* operations are the same as in regular BST, but we will need to rebalance the tree in order to preserv AVL property. A single insertion or deletion may change the height difference of subtrees by at most 1, and might affect only the subtrees with roots along the path from r to the point of insertion/ deletion. More concretely - we will add a recursive operation of traversing the tree "back up" and checking violations. Had we found one - we'll fix it using rotations. Since rotations can be done in O(1), the entire correction process will take  $O(\log(n))$ , so we maintain a good time complexity.

#### 1.2.1 Delete

This is the regular BST delete, we will need to traverse up the tree and detect violations (if occurred).

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Go over the procedure quickly - explain the 3 cases - no children, 1 child (easy) and 2 children (using successor).

Delete 20 from the tree in the beginning of the recitation:

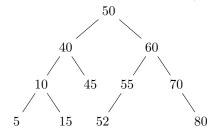
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#### 1.2.2 Insert

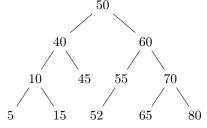
Once again - this is the regular BST insert, we will need to traverse up the tree and detect violations (if occurred).

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Insert 65 tho the previous tree (after the deletion):

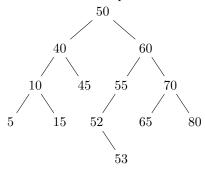


So after the insertion:

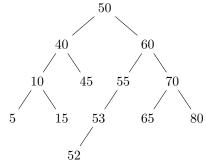


And no violation occurred.

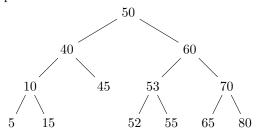
Insert 53 to the previous tree:



Detect LR violation in 55: Perform  ${\cal L}$  rotation on 52:



perform R rotation on 55:



# **Appendix**

### 1.3 AVL tree's height

Let  $n_h$  be the minimal number of nodes in an AVL tree of height h.

 $n_h$  is strictly increasing in h. Exercise.  $n_h = n_{h-1} + n_{h-2} + 1$ . For an AVL tree of height 0,  $n_0 = 1$ , and of height 1,  $n_1 = 2$  (by checking directly).

Let's look at a minimal AVL tree of height h. By the AVL property, one of it's subtrees is of height h-1 (WLOG - the left subtree) and by minimality, it's left subtree has to have  $n_{h-1}$  nodes. T's right subtree thus has to be of height h-2: It can't be of height h-1:  $n_{h-1} > n_{h-2}$  by previous theorem, and if the right subtree is of height h-1 - we could switch it with an AVL tree of height h-2, with less nodes - so less nodes in T, contradicting minimality. So the right subtree has  $n_{h-2}$  nodes (once again, by minimality), and thus the whole tree has  $n_h = n_{h-1} + n_{h-2} + 1$  (added the root) nodes.  $n_h > 2n_{h-2} + 1$   $h = O(\log(n))$  Assume k is even (why can we assume that?). It can be shown by induction that:

$$n_h > 2n_{h-2} + 1 > 2(2n_{h-4} + 1) + 1 = 4n_{h-4} + (1+2) \dots > 2^{\frac{h}{2}} + \sum_{i=0}^{\frac{h}{2}-1} 2^i = \sum_{i=1}^{\frac{h}{2}} 2^i = \frac{2^{\frac{h}{2}} - 1}{2 - 1} = 2^{\frac{h}{2}} - 1$$

So  $n_h \ge 2^{\frac{h}{2}} - 1$ , thus

$$h \le 2\log(n_h + 1)$$

and for generall AVL tree with n nodes and height h:

$$h \le 2\log(n_h + 1) \le 2\log(n + 1) = O(\log(n))$$

In fact, one can show that  $n_h > F_h$  and  $F_h$  is the h'th Fibonacci number. Recall that  $F_h = C(\varphi^h - (\psi)^h)$ , and this gives a tighter bound on  $n_h$ .