## CSCI-GA.1170-001/002 Fundamental Algorithms

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Solutions to Problem 2 of Homework 5 (10 (+5) points)

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Assume you are given a binary search tree T of height h and with n elements in it. For simplicity, assume all the elements are distinct.

(a) (5 pts) Use a slight modification of the PostOrder-Tree-Walk procedure to argue that in time  $\Theta(n)$  you can compute, for every node v, the number of even nodes (call it even(v)) in v's sub-tree.

(**Hint**: In addition to even(v), also compute the total number of nodes in v's subtree.)

## **Solution:**

Let T be the given tree and x be T.root, then number of even nodes in x, even(x) will be

- If x.value is even, then even(x.left) + even(x.right) + 1
- If x.value is odd, then even(x.left) + even(x.right)

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1 Algorithm: NumEvenNodes(T)
2 x \leftarrow T.root
3 if x is NULL then
4 | Return 0
5 even_l \leftarrow \text{NumEvenNodes}(x.left)
6 even_r \leftarrow \text{NumEvenNodes}(x.right)
7 if x.value is divisible by 2 then
8 | even(x) \leftarrow even_l + even_r + 1
9 else
10 | even(x) \leftarrow even_l + even_r
11 Return even(x)
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**Algorithm 2:** Algorithm to calculate number of even nodes in a Tree T

(b) (5 pts) Now that each node v contains the value even(v), show how to keep maintaining this value for each successive Insert operation. Namely, show how to perform an Insert operation in time O(h), while correctly maintaining all the even(v) values.

## Solution:

Let z be the node being inserted

- If z.key is odd then just insert z at the appropriate position. This step takes O(h) time
- If z.key is even, then for every node v, z visits while being inserted add 1 to even(v). This step takes O(h) time

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Therefore, the updated Insert algorithm takes O(h) time

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1 Algorithm: Insert(T, z)
 y \leftarrow \text{NULL}
 x \leftarrow T.root
 4 if z.key is divisible by 2 then
       z.even = 1
 6 else
      z.even = 0
 8 while x is not NULL do
       if z.key is divisible by 2 then
          x.even = x.even + 1
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       y = x
       if z.key < x.key then
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          x = x.left
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       else
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       x = x.right
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16 end
17 z.p = y
18 if y is NULL then
      T.root \leftarrow z
20 else if z.key < y.key then
21 y.left \leftarrow z
22 else
      y.right \leftarrow z
\mathbf{23}
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**Algorithm 3:** Insert procedure in O(h) while maintaining all the even(v) values

(c)\* (5 pts) (**Extra Credit:**) Similar to part (b), but do it for the *Delete* operation. Namely, show how to perform a *Delete* operation in time O(h), while correctly maintaining all the even(v) values.

## **Solution:**

Let z be the node to be deleted. Then we have the following 4 cases and in all the cases first we do the following operation

If z.key is even then starting from z go up until the root and for each node v in the path, decrease even(v) by 1. Therefore, this takes O(h) time

- Node z has no left child. We replace z by its right child r which may or may not be NIL. This takes only O(1) time

- Node z has a left child l but no right child. We replace z by l. This takes only O(1) time

- Node z has two children, its left child is node l, its right child is its successor y and y's right child is node x. We replace z by y, updating y's left child to become l, but leaving x as y's right child and update even(y) = even(y) + even(l). This takes only O(1) time

update even(y) = even(y) + even(l). Therefore, this takes O(h) time

- Node z has two children (left child l and right child r), and its successor  $y \neq r$  lies within the subtree rooted at r. If y is even then for each node u starting from y.p to r decrease even(u) by 1 and replace y by it's own right child x, set y to be r's parent and update even(y) = 1 + even(r).

Then set y to be q's child and again update even(y) = even(y) + even(l). This, takes O(h) time

Therefore by adding some extra computations which take O(h) time we can still perform the delete operation while correctly maintaining the even(v) values in O(h) time