## CSE 674 Advanced Data Structures

## Binary Search Trees

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#### We will discuss

- 1. The implementation of the main operations of a Binary Search Trees
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## Search Trees: Introduction

- 1. A tree structures that store objects that are identified by a key
- 2. two keys can be compared in constant time
- 3. comparisons are used to guide the search
- 4. Often used to implement a dictionary data structure
- 5. have different models
  - go left when the query key is smaller than node key; otherwise take the right branch
  - go left when the query key is smaller than node key; go right if the query key is larger than the node key and take the object store in the node if they are equal

## Binary Search Trees

In an object oriented langauage (e.g. C++), Binary Search Trees are typically implemented via two classes:

- 1. A class that represent a node
- 2. A class that represent the binary search tree

**Example** We will walk through a typical textbook example here. Note that the implementation of the major operations are often divided into several functions

## Binary Search Trees

Recall that the following questions last time: the three major operations are:

- 1. Insertion
- 2. Deletion
- 3. Search

Can you write down the pseudocode of the following operations?

## The contains (Search) operation

#### **Discussions**

```
/**
    * Internal method to test if an item is in a subtree.
   * x is item to search for.
     * t is the node that roots the subtree.
    bool contains (const Comparable & x, BinaryNode *t) const
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        if( t == nullptr )
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            return false:
10
        else if( x < t->element )
            return contains (x, t->left);
11
        else if( t->element < x )
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            return contains(x, t->right);
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        else
15
            return true: // Match
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```

Figure 4.18 contains operation for binary search trees

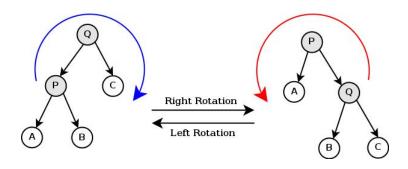
## Binary Search Trees

What are the worst case running time of the following operations if the binary search trees contain n keys?

- 1. Insert
- 2. delete
- 3. search

How can we improve the performance of these operations?

## Rotations



Note: The ordering of the nodes (in-order) is preserved but the height of the tree may be changed

## DSW Algorithm

**Definition** A binary search tree T is said to be balanced when the difference between the heights of its subtrees (i.e. left and right subtrees) is at most 1.

DSW algorithm will turn a binary search tree into a balanced binary search tree in O(n) time.

(Example handout provides an example and the pseudocode for DSW.

Question When will we apply DSW algorithm?

## AVL Trees: a self-balancing Binary Search Tree

#### **AVL Trees**

- 1. named after Adelson, Velskii and Landis
- 2. It show that, we can applying balancing technical incrementally so that the binary search trees is guaranteed to have  $O(\lg n)$  height, irrespective of the order of insertions and deletions
- 3. It uses the following *balance condition*:
  For every node of the tree, the height of its left subtree and right subtree differ by at most 1.
- 4. The height of the empty tree is -1, by convention

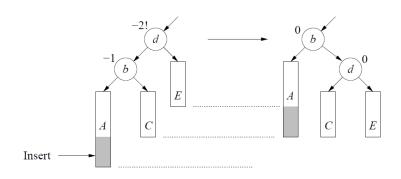
## **AVL: Rebalancing Operations**

#### Main idea for AVL tree

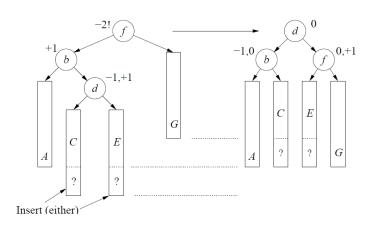
- 1. keep track of balancing information
- 2. Each time after an operation (insert or delete) is performed, if it cause imbalance, apply an appropriate rebalancing operations (a suitable type of rotations)
- 3. Type of rotations: single rotation (left, right); double rotation (left-right, right-left);

Let"s begin with an animation: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aQS9DqLWxw4

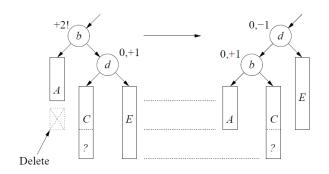
# Rebalancing operations I: Single Rotation for insertion



# Rebalancing operations II: Left-Right Double Rotation for insertion



# Rebalancing operations III: Single Rotation (deletion)



# Rebalancing operations IV: Double Rotation (deletion)

