

Lecture 7: AVL Trees

BST Review

- BST maintains a sorted order on a dynamic set

Data Structure	insert(k)	delete(k)	find_min()	find(k)	find_next(k)
Array	1*	n	n	n	n
Sorted Array	n	n	1	$\log n$	$\log n$
Binary Heap	$\log n$	n	1	n	n
BST	h	h	h	h	h
Today!	$\log n$	$\log n$	1	$\log n$	$\log n$

- Worst case $O(h)$ per operation, where h is height, can be $h = O(n)$... :(
- Today:
 - How to make height $O(\log n)$?
 - Data structure augmentation
- Many ways to achieve ‘logarithmic’ height (red-black, B-trees, splay trees, skip lists, etc.)
- AVL trees was first (1962), and still perhaps one of the simplest

AVL Property

- Adel’son-Vel’skiĭ & Landis
- **AVL Property:** Sub-tree heights of a node’s left and right children differ by at most one.
 - **node height:** #edges in longest path **down**, a.k.a., height of node’s subtree. (Leaves have height 0.)
 - * Don’t confuse this with **node depth:** #edges in longest path **up**. (Root has depth 0.)
 - **node skew:** $\text{height}(\text{node.right}) - \text{height}(\text{node.left})$ (missing child contributes height -1)
- AVL property restated: $\text{skew} \in \{-1, 0, 1\}$
- **Claim:** Every node satisfies AVL Property \implies height is $O(\log n)$
 - Want largest height for given number of nodes (i.e. fewest nodes for fixed height)

- Let $S(h)$ be the minimum number of nodes in height h AVL tree
- Worst case, when every node is skewed, with fewest nodes for height
- $S(h) = S(h-1) + S(h-2) + 1 \geq 2S(h-2)$
- $S'(h) = 2S'(h-2)$ has solution $S'(h) = 2^{h/2}$
- $S(h) \geq S'(h) = 2^{h/2} \implies h \leq 2 \log S(h) \leq 2 \log n = O(\log n)$
- Exercise: What is $S(h)$ exactly? (It's related to the Fibonacci numbers!)

Augmentation

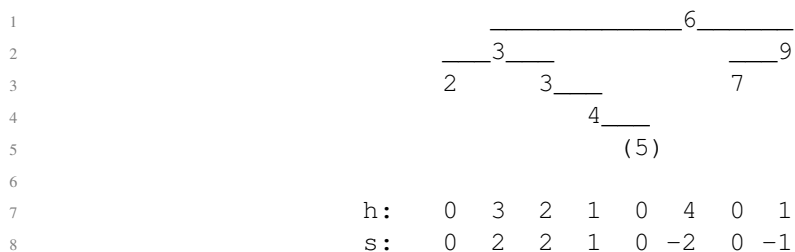
- To speed up computation, store height (and skew) at each node
- How to maintain these?
- Sub-tree properties may change for any node effected by the change
- i.e. any ancestor of node inserted or removed
- Update sub-tree properties of ancestors going up the tree
- Other common augmentations computable from children, such as min, max, height, sum, count

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1 # Assumes node's descendants are updated
2 def update(node):
3     left_height = node.left.height if node.left else -1
4     right_height = node.right.height if node.right else -1
5     node.height = 1 + max(left_height, right_height)
6     node.skew = right_height - left_height
7
8 # Assumes node and its ancestors are the
9 # only nodes that need updating
10 def maintain(node):
11     update(node)
12     if node.parent:
13         maintain(node.parent)

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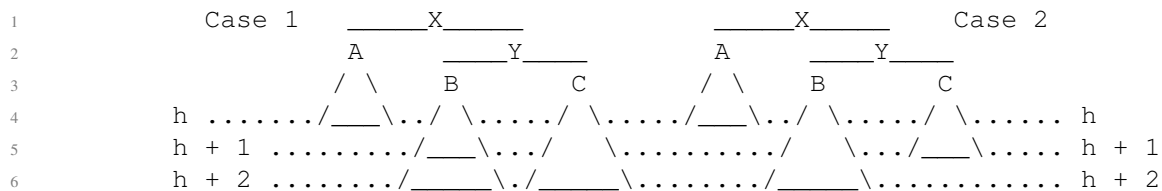
- **Example:** Add keys [6, 3, 9, 2, 3, 7, 4] and maintain height, skew



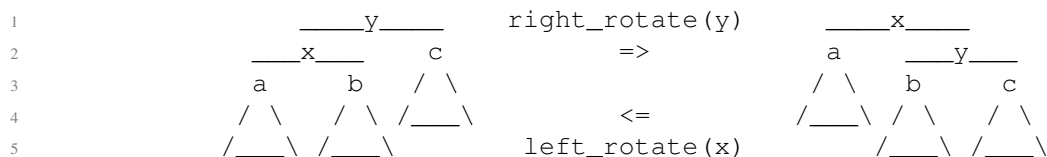
- Insert key 5. Uh oh! Now some nodes do not satisfy AVL Property!
- How to fix skew while maintaining BST Property?

Rotations

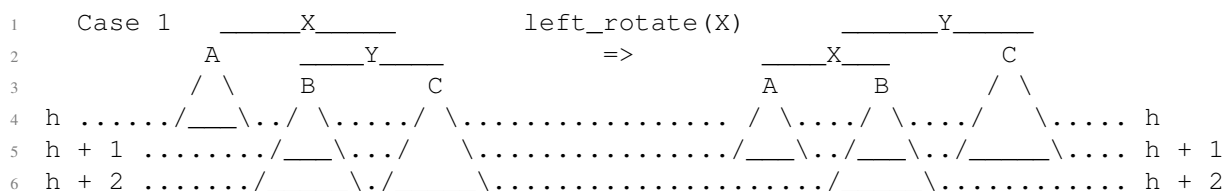
- **Invariant:** tree is AVL before and after dynamic operation
- Consider lowest node X violating AVL after insert or delete
- Skew magnitude is two: without loss of generality assume positive
- Either heavier sub-tree has non-opposite (same or equal) or opposite skew



- If heavier sub-tree same or equal, rotation!
- A rotation rearranges attached sub-trees to maintain the BST property (confirm)



- For case 1, rotate left at X . A and X move down, B stays same, C and Y moves up
- Restores balance!



- For case 2, rotate right at Y . C moves down, B moves up or stays same
- Now looks like case 1! A left rotation at X restores balance!

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1 Case 1      _____X_____      right_rotate(Y)      _____X_____
2              A              _____Y_____      =>      A              _____B_____
3              / \              _____      / \              D              _____Y_____
4 h ...../___\.....D.....E...../ \...../___\...../___\.....E..... C .. h
5 h + 1 ...../_\...../_\...../___\...../___\...../_\...../_\..... h + 1
6 h + 2 ...../___\./___\...../___\...../___\...../___\..... h + 2

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- Call update on X and Y after rotation as sub-trees have changed
- Continue walking up the tree to repeatedly find and fix lowest violation in $O(\log n)$ time
- Note: might need to rebalance multiple times on the way up!

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1 # Assumes all nodes other than node and its ancestors
2 # are updated and AVL
3 def maintain(node):
4     update(node)
5     balance(node)
6     if node.parent:
7         maintain(node.parent)
8
9 # Assumes node and descendants are updated,
10 # and descendants satisfy AVL property
11 def balance(node):
12     if node.skew == 2:
13         if node.right.skew == -1:
14             right_rotate(node.right)
15             left_rotate(node)
16     if node.skew == -2:
17         if node.left.skew == 1:
18             left_rotate(node.left)
19             right_rotate(node)

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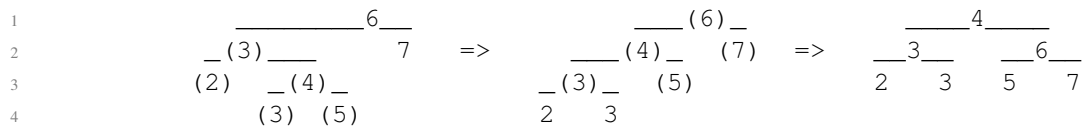
- **Example:** Balance insertion of key 5

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1      _____6_____
2      |_____|_____|_____|
3      2  (3)  _  7          =>  2  |_____|_____|_____|
4      |_____|_____|_____|      |_____|_____|_____|
5      (4)  _  3  5          3  4  5  7
6      (5)

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- **Example:** Balance deletion of key 9



AVL Sort

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1 def AVL_sort(A):
2     T = AVL()
3     for a in A:                # n times
4         T.insert(a)            # O(log n)
5     return in_order_traversal(T) # O(n)

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- Maintaining that height is $O(\log n)$ ensures insertion is also $O(\log n)$
- AVL sort runs in $O(n \log n)$ time.
- Can we do better? Next time!

Data Structure	Static Set		Dynamic Set		D.O.S.	Ordered Set			Space ~
	find-key(k)	iter()	insert(x)	delete-key(k)	delete-min/max()	find-next/prev(k)	find-min/max()	order-iter()	
static array	$\Theta(n)$	$\Theta(n)$	$\Theta(n)$	$\Theta(n)$	$\Theta(n)$	$\Theta(n)$	$\Theta(n)$	$\Theta(n \lg n)$	$1 \cdot n$
linked list	$\Theta(n)$	$\Theta(n)$	$\Theta(1)$	$\Theta(n)$	$\Theta(n)$	$\Theta(n)$	$\Theta(n)$	$\Theta(n \lg n)$	$3 \cdot n$
dynam. array	$\Theta(n)$	$\Theta(n)$	$\Theta(1)$ _{a.}	$\Theta(n)$	$\Theta(n)$	$\Theta(n)$	$\Theta(n)$	$\Theta(n \lg n)$	$[n, 4n]$
sorted array	$\Theta(\lg n)$	$\Theta(n)$	$\Theta(n)$	$\Theta(n)$	$\Theta(n)$	$\Theta(\lg n)$	$\Theta(1)$	$\Theta(n)$	$1 \cdot n$
binary heap	$\Theta(n)$	$\Theta(n)$	$\Theta(\lg n)$ _{a.}	$\Theta(n)$	one in $\Theta(\lg n)$	$\Theta(n)$	one in $\Theta(1)$	$\Theta(n \lg n)$	$1 \cdot n$
AVL tree	$\Theta(\lg n)$	$\Theta(n)$	$\Theta(\lg n)$	$\Theta(\lg n)$	$\Theta(\lg n)$	$\Theta(\lg n)$	$\Theta(\lg n)$	$\Theta(n)$	$5 \cdot n$

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Assumes node's children are updated

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def update(node):
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    lh = node.left.height if node.left else -1
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    rh = node.right.height if node.right else -1
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    node.height = 1 + max(lh, rh)
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    node.skew = rh - lh
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Assumes only node and ancestors need updating

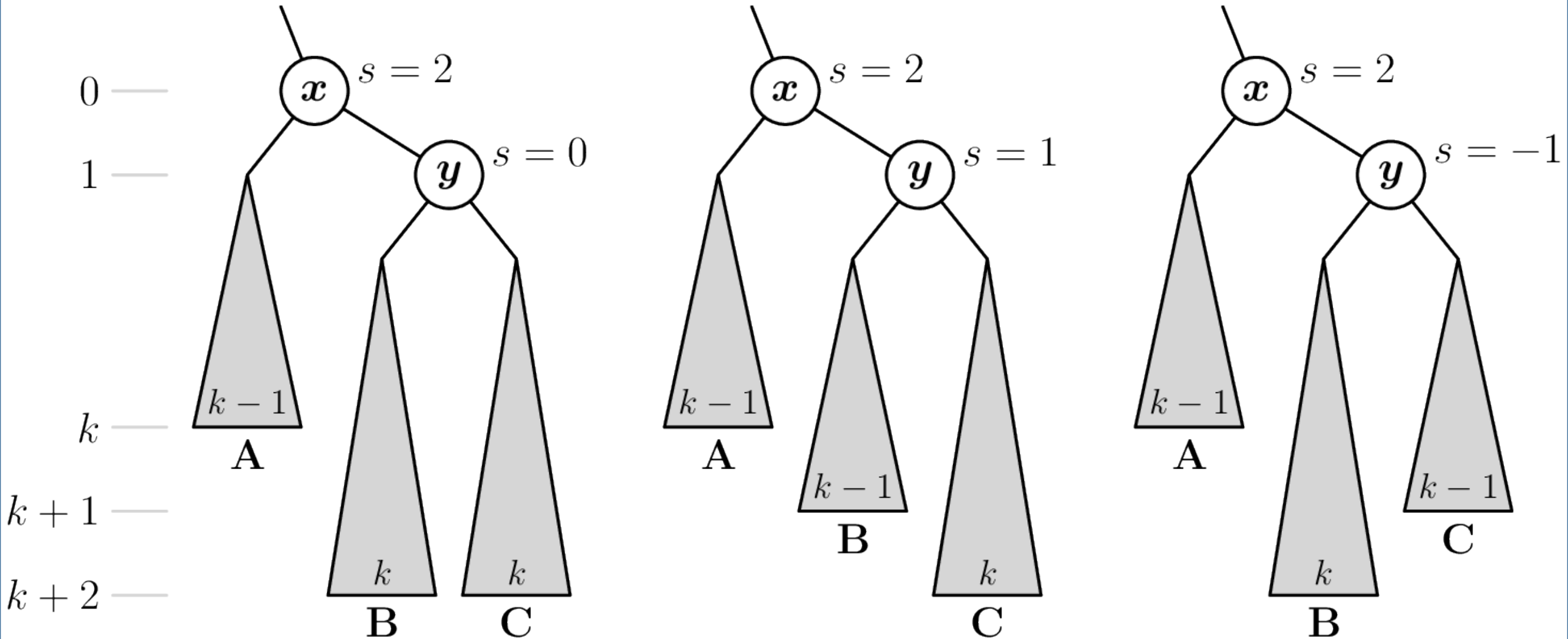
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def maintain(node):
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    update(node)
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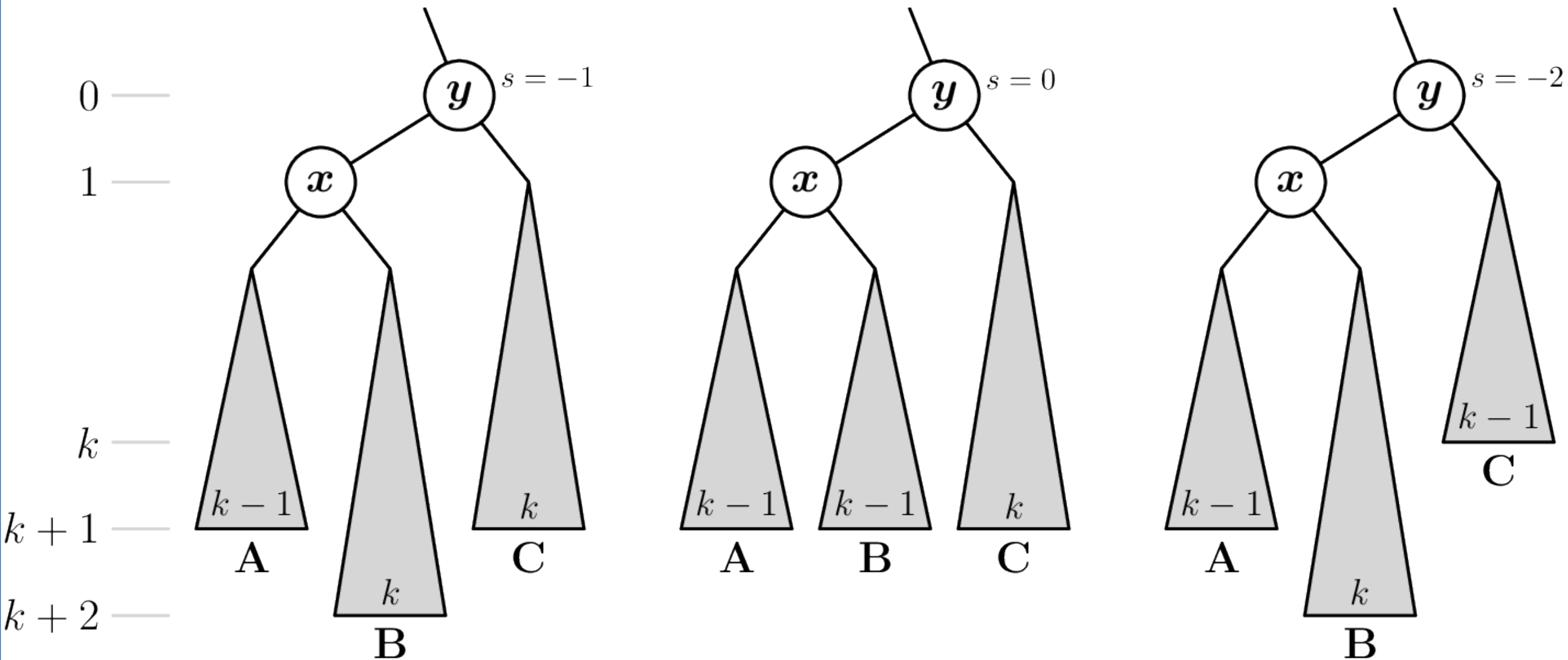
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    if node.parent:
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        maintain(node.parent)
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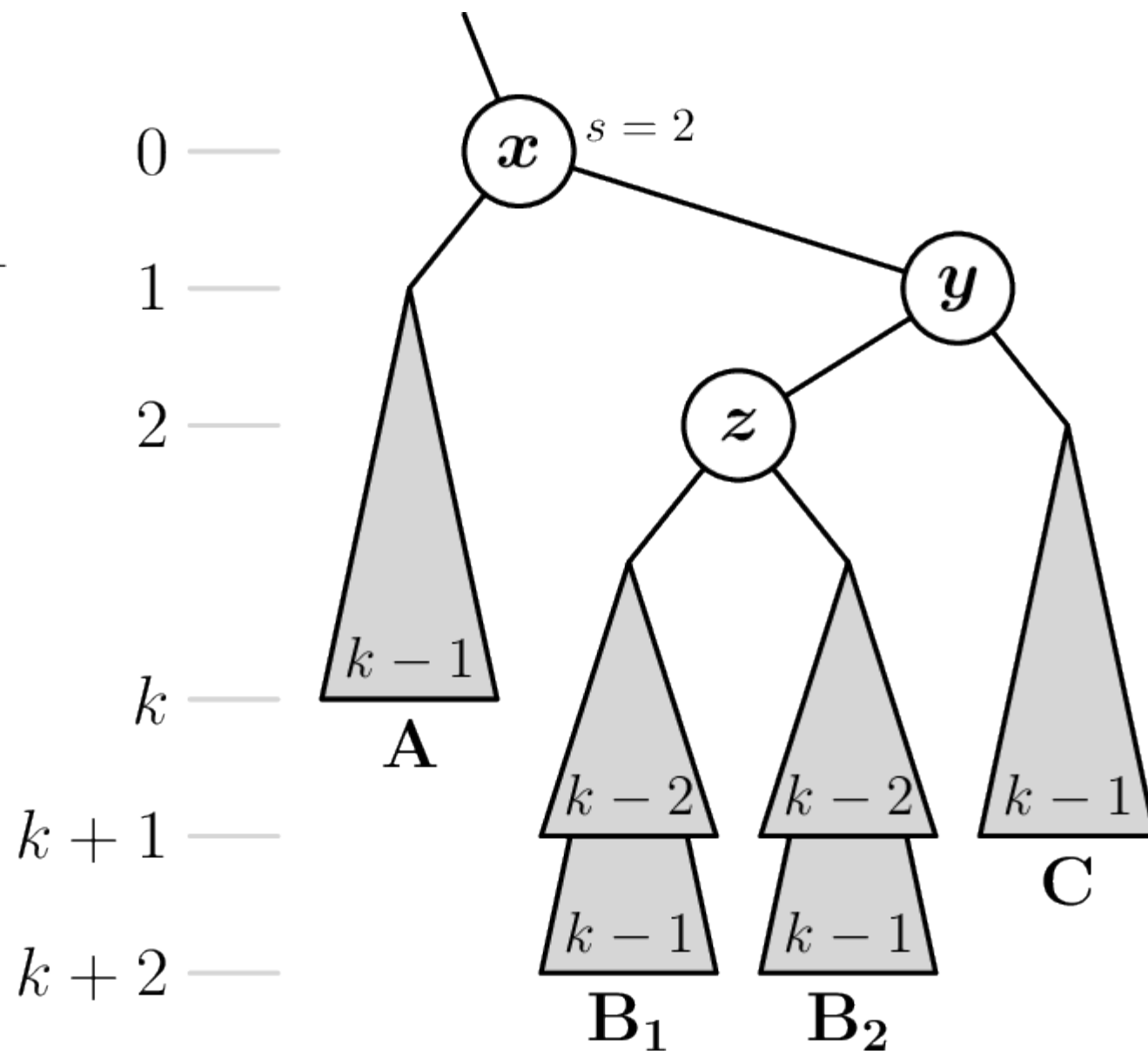
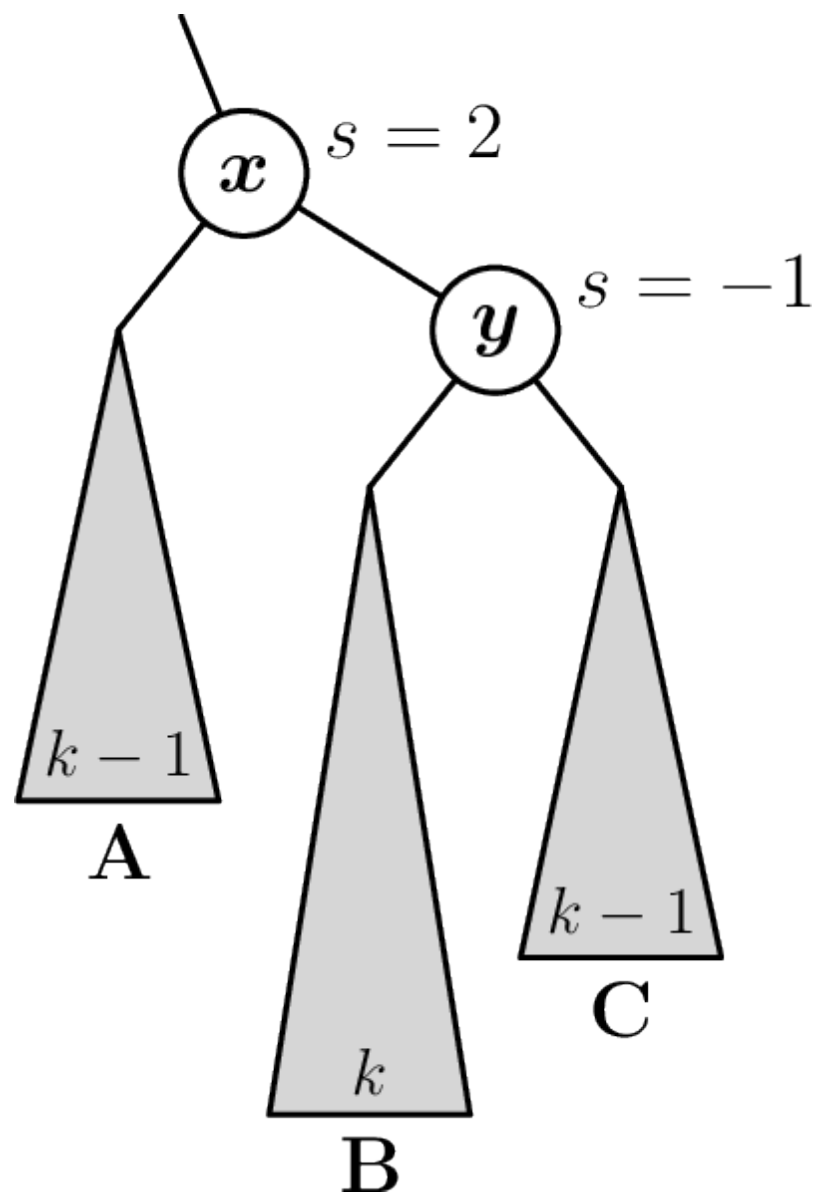

All 3 ways for x to have skew 2



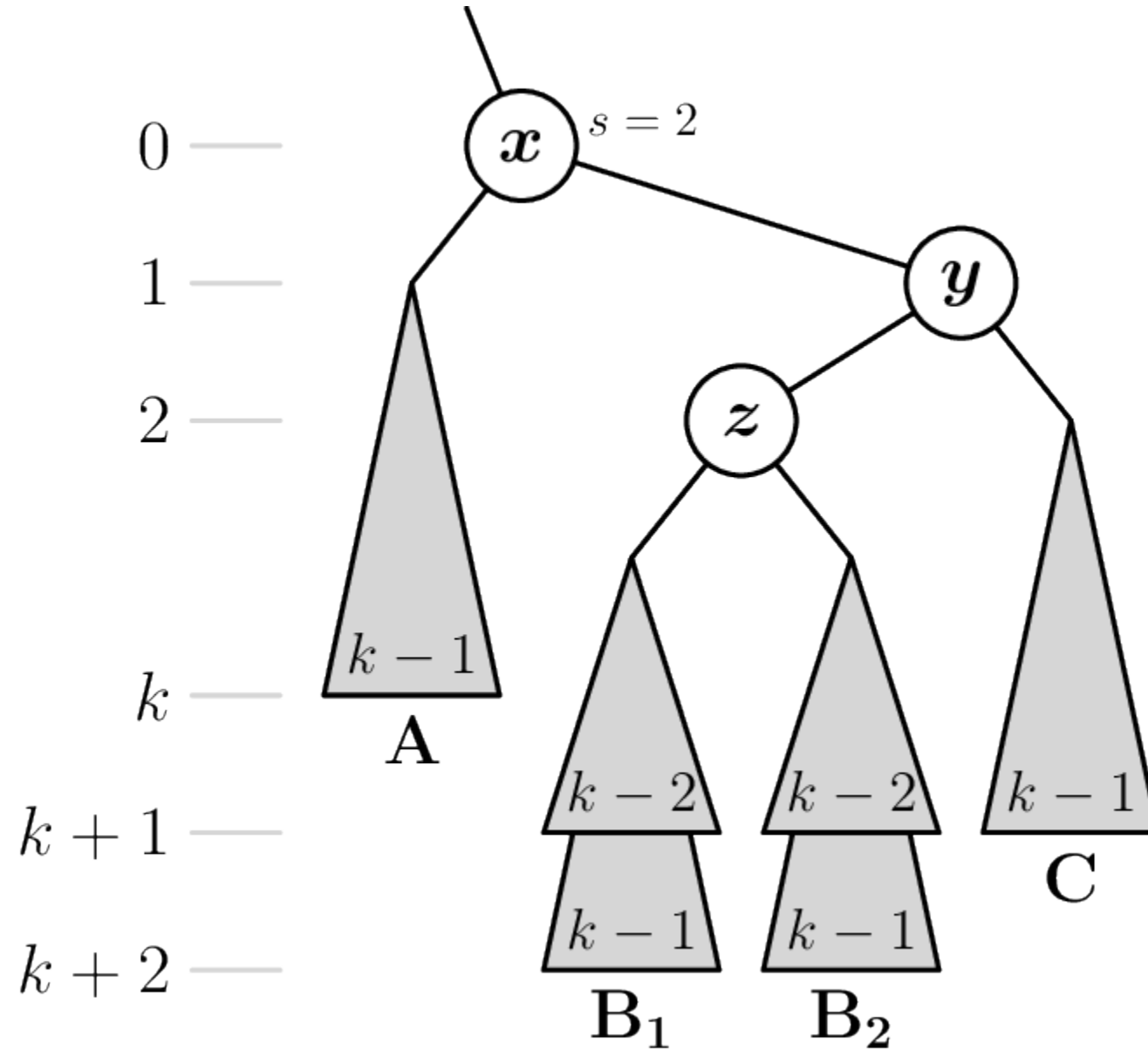
After rotating x left



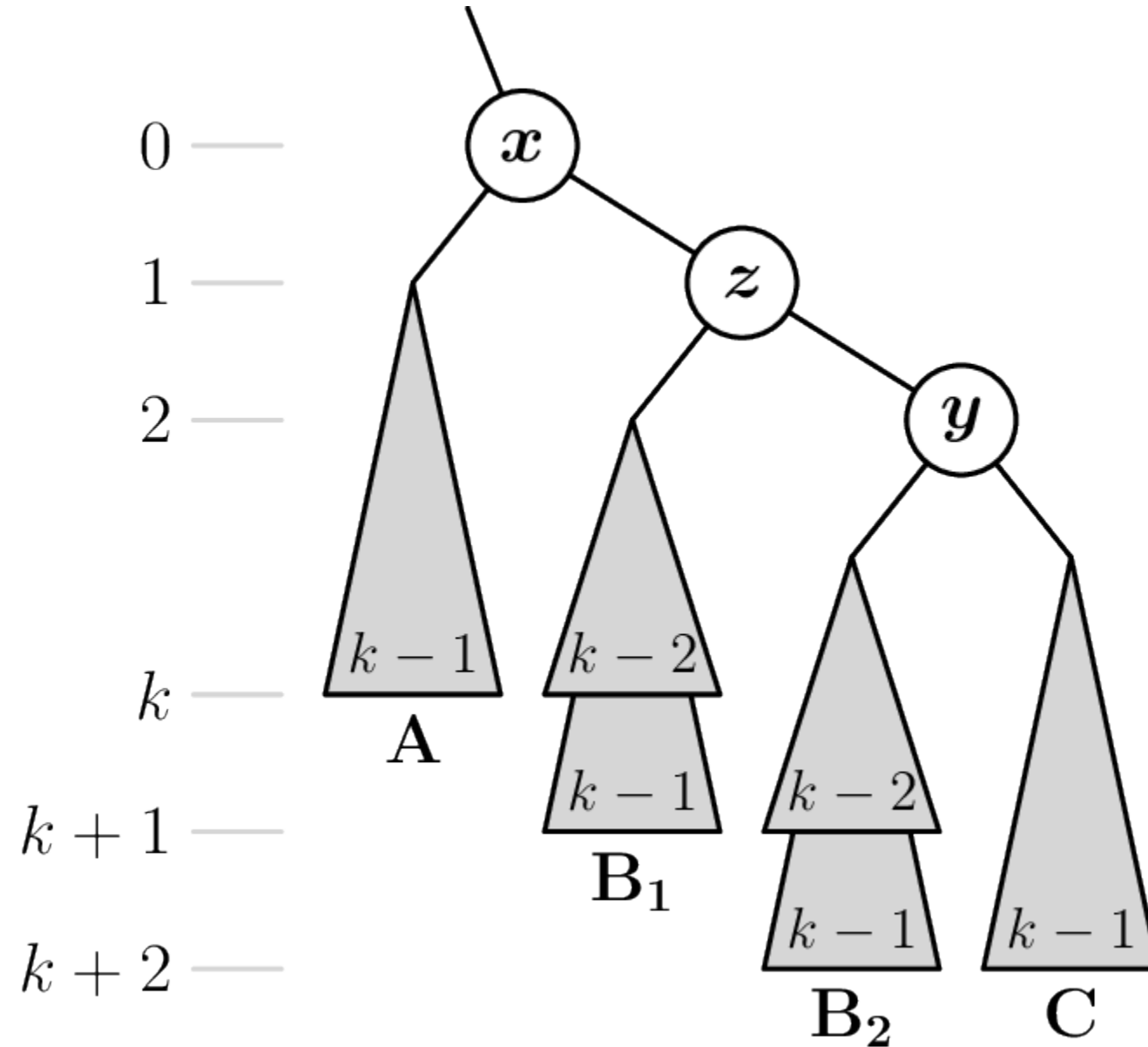
The harder case, dissected



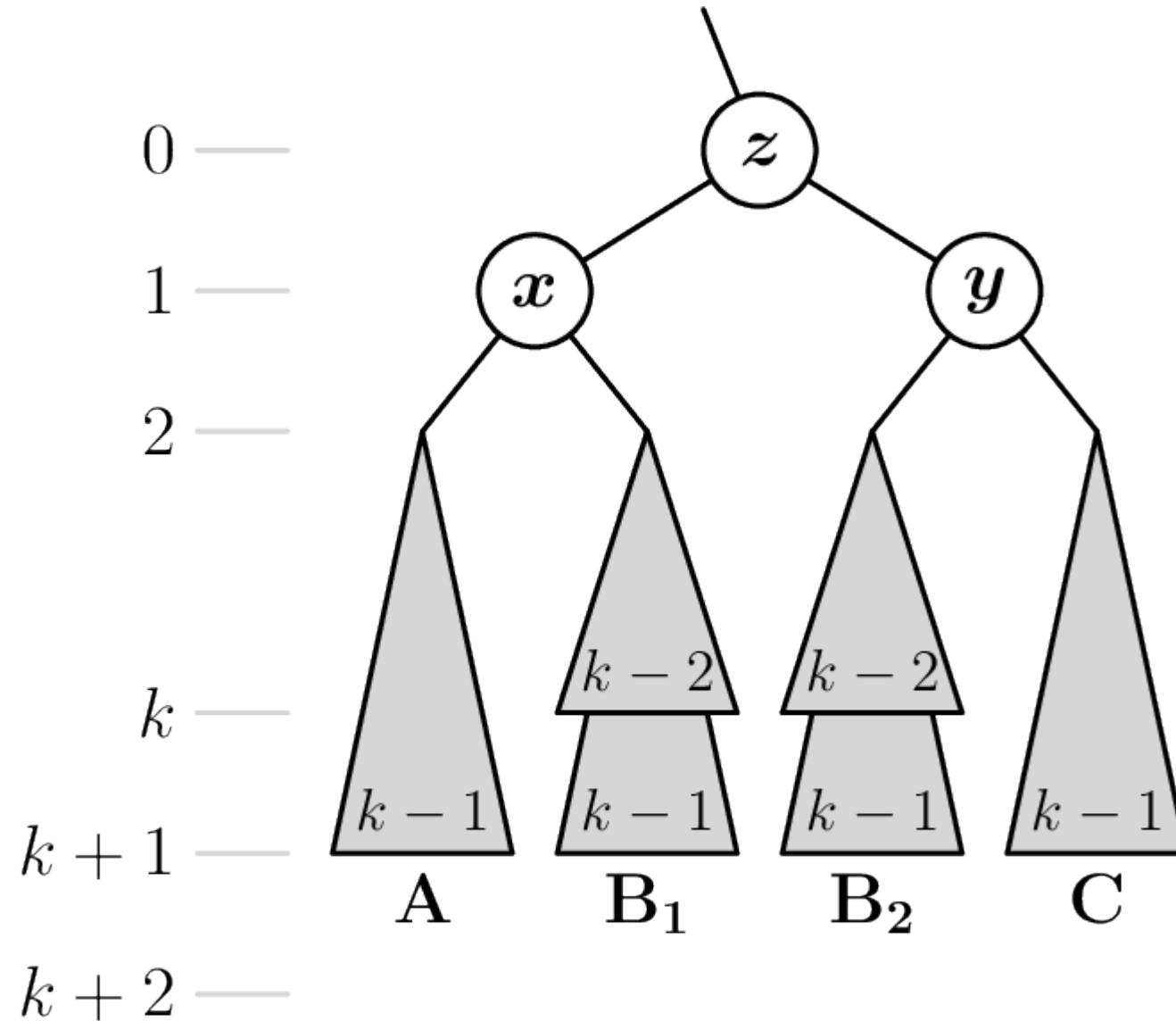
The harder case



After rotating y right



After rotating x left



```
def balance(node):      # node and descendants
    if node.skew == 2:   # are updated, and node's
        if node.right.skew == -1:  # descendants
            rotate_right(node.right) # are AVL
            rotate_left(node)
        elif node.skew == -2:
            <symmetrical>
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```
def maintain(node):     # Assumes node's descendants
    update(node)         # are updated and AVL
    balance(node)
    if node.parent:
        maintain(node.parent)
```

