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THE WORST CASE SCENARIO

- In the worst case, a binary search tree looks like a linked list, with all the links going the same way.
- The performance of the important methods (find, insert,

delete) is $\Theta(n)$.

IMPROVING THE WORST-CASE PERFORMANCE FOR BSTs

GOAL: KEEPING ANY BST "BALANCED"

- Ideally, to prevent a BST from becoming too unbalanced, it would be filled so that as many nodes as possible have left and right subtrees. This would be equivalent to being a complete binary tree.
- This is impractical, since it would take too long to rearrange the nodes for the tree to keep this shape every time a new node gets added or deleted.

IMPROVING THE WORST-CASE PERFORMANCE FOR BSTs

A WORKABLE COMPROMISE

- We will only insist that, for a BST to be "balanced", any node will have the property that the depths of its left and right subtrees will differ by one level at most.
- This can be efficiently enforced each time a node is inserted or deleted.
- The worst case height is about $1.44 \log(n)$.
- The performance of the insert, delete, and find operations is $\Theta(\log n)$.

BASIC FACTS

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INVENTORS

Such a tree is called an AVL Tree after its two co-inventors, G. M. Adelson-Velskii and E. M. Landis.

AVL TREES: INSERTION

NORMAL BST INSERTION

- A value gets inserted into a BST by comparing its value with the current node (starting with the root).
- If the value is less, it changes the current node to the left subtree if it exists.
- If the value is greater, it changes the current node to the right subtree if it exists.
- If the value is equal, an error has occurred: value is already in the tree.
- The new node is made a leaf when the subtree on that side doesn't exist.

AVL TREES: INSERTION

AVL INSERTION: OVERVIEW

- The height of each subtree is saved as a new attribute of every TreeNode object.
- Perform the insertion to the proper subtree (say, the left subtree).
- If the left subtree height is now 2 more than the right subtree, rebalance the tree at the current node.
- Similarly for the right subtree.
- Height of the current node = max(height left subtree, height right subtree)+1.

AVL TREES: INSERTION

AVL INSERTION: OVERVIEW

```
void AVLTree::insert(int value)
{
    _root = _insertRec(_root, value);
}
```

AVL TREES: INSERTION

AVL REBALANCING

```
TreeNode *AVLTree::_insertRec(TreeNode* t, int value)
  if (t == NULL)
      t = new TreeNode(value, NULL, NULL);
  else if (value < t->_item)
     t->_left = _insertRec(t->_left, value);
      if (getHeight(t->_left) - getHeight(t->_right) == 2)
//rebalance?
      { // inserted into which subtree of left child?
         if (value < t-> left-> item)
            t = _leftSingleRotate(t); // left subtree
         else
            t = _rightLeftRotate(t); // right subtree
```

AVL TREES: INSERTION

AVL REBALANCING: DOUBLE ROTATION

```
TreeNode *AVLTree::
    _rightLeftRotate(TreeNode *t)
{
    t->_left = _rightSingleRotate(t->_left);
    t = _leftSingleRotate(t);
    return t;
}
```



AVL TREES: INSERTION

AVL RIGHT SUBTREE INSERTION: REBALANCING AT NODE T

```
TreeNode *AVLTree::
    _rightSingleRotate(TreeNode *t)
{
    TreeNode *grandparent = t;
    TreeNode *parent = t->_right;
    grandparent->_right = parent->_left;
    parent->_left = grandparent;
    t = parent;
    // adjust heights of grandparent,
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    return t;
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