## CSI 33 LECTURE NOTES (Ojakian)

## Topic 10: AVL Trees

## **OUTLINE**

(References: 13.3)

- 1. AVL Trees Definition and key fact
- 2. Compare to BST and Heap

## 1. AVL Trees

- (a) Definition: Height of a tree (note: Just a root means height 0)
- (b) Definition (AVL tree): A BST with an extra requirement At all nodes, the left subtree and right subtree have heights that differ by at most one.

**PROBLEM 1.** In Section 13.3 (page 455) see figure 13.5. Why is one of them an AVL tree and the other not?

(c) Key Fact: The height of an AVL tree is O(log n).

PROBLEM 2. As an example of what is avoided with AVL Tree, consider:

- i. The result in inserting 5, 4, 3, 2, 1 in order into a BST
- ii. In Section 13.3 (page 454) see figure 13.4. Why is this NOT an AVL tree?
- (d) Insertion and Deletion for AVL Skipping! (Insertion is in the book, deletion is not)
- (e) Sorting the various kinds of trees.

**PROBLEM 3.** Draw some examples of binary trees. For each example, which is it - BST? AVL Tree? Heap? None of these?