

Lemma: An AVL tree with height h

has at least F_{h+2} nodes (F_k is Fibonacci number)

$$F_0=0 \quad F_1=1 \quad F_2=1 \quad F_3=2 \quad F_k = F_{k-1} + F_{k-2}$$

$$F_{h-2} \geq \phi^{h-2} \quad \boxed{F_{h+2} \geq \phi^{h-2}} \quad \phi = \text{Golden Ratio} = \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \approx 1.6$$

If an AVL tree has n nodes, what is a bound on the height? $\leq \log_{\phi} n = \Theta(\lg n)$

$\log_2 n \leftarrow$ Perfectly balanced

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{F_n}{\phi^n} = \Theta(1)$$

$$2 > \phi \approx 1.618$$

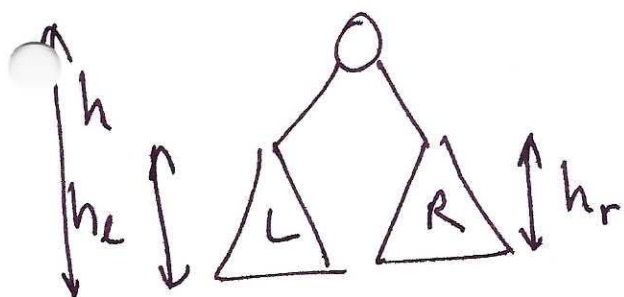
$$F_n \sim \frac{\phi^n}{\sqrt{5}}$$

Lemma: An AVL Tree of height h has at least F_{h+2} nodes

$$F_{-2}=0 \quad F_{-1}=0 \quad F_0=0 \quad F_1=1 \quad F_2=1 \quad F_3=2 \quad \dots \quad F_k = F_{k-1} + F_{k-2}$$

Proof: When $h=2$, the tree has at least 1 node.
 $F_{h-2} = 0$. (Base case true)

Induction: Consider tree of height h ($h > 3$)



$$h = \max(h_l, h_r) + 1$$

By induction hypothesis,

$$\# \text{ nodes} \geq 1 + (\# \text{ nodes in L}) + (\# \text{ nodes in R})$$

$$\geq 1 + F_{h_l} - 1 + F_{h_r} - 1 = F_{h_l} + F_{h_r} - 1$$

Two cases:

Case 1: $h_l = h_r = h - 1$. $\# \text{ nodes} \geq F_{h-1} + F_{h-1} - 1$

$$\geq F_{h-1} + F_{h-2} - 1 = F_h - 1$$

Case 2: $h_l = h - 1$, $h_r = h - 2$ (or other way around)

AVL property

$$\# \text{ nodes} \geq F_{h-1} + F_{h-2} + 1 = F_h - 1$$

Proof completed.



We want to show that #nodes in an AVL tree grows exponentially in h .

$$\# \text{nodes in AVL tree of height } h \geq F_{h-2} - 1$$

$$F_h = F_{h-1} + F_{h-2}$$

$$F_h \geq 2F_{h-2} \geq 2^2 F_{h-4}$$

$$\geq F_{h-2} + F_{h-2} = 2F_{h-2}$$

$$\geq 2^3 F_{h-6}$$

By induction, $F_h \geq 2^{h/2} = (\sqrt{2})^h \approx (1.4)^h$

(A more careful analysis of F_h gives ϕ^h .)

If the tree has n nodes and height is h

$$n = \# \text{ nodes} \geq (1.4)^h - 1$$

$$h \leq \log_{1.4}(n+1) = \log_2(n+1) \times \boxed{\log_{1.4} 2}$$

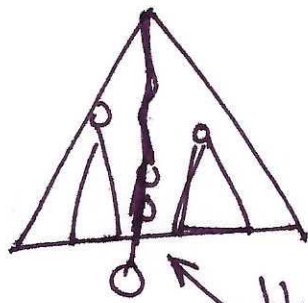
$$= O(\log n)$$

How to maintain AVL property

Insert/delete like a standard BST

Q. When you insert a node in an AVL tree, (height h , nodes n), for how many nodes does the balance factor change?

(R) $\Theta(1)$ ~~(A) $\Theta(h)$~~ (B) $\Theta(n)$



When a node is inserted, heights change only for ancestors of inserted node.

$\Theta(h)$ such nodes $\Theta(\log n)$

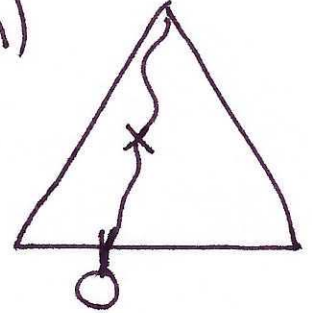
Same is true for delete

- 1) Insert/delete like a standard BST
- 2) Find all nodes where balance factor is NOT in $\{-1, 0, 1\}$. (Ancestors of a modified node)
- 3) For each node, fix the problem.

Q. After an insert/delete, by how much can the balance factor change? \rightarrow for a single node

- (A) $\Theta(1)$ (B) $\Theta(\log n)$ (C) $\Theta(n)$

Heights only change by 1.
So balance factor changes by at most 1.



We fix problem bottom-up.

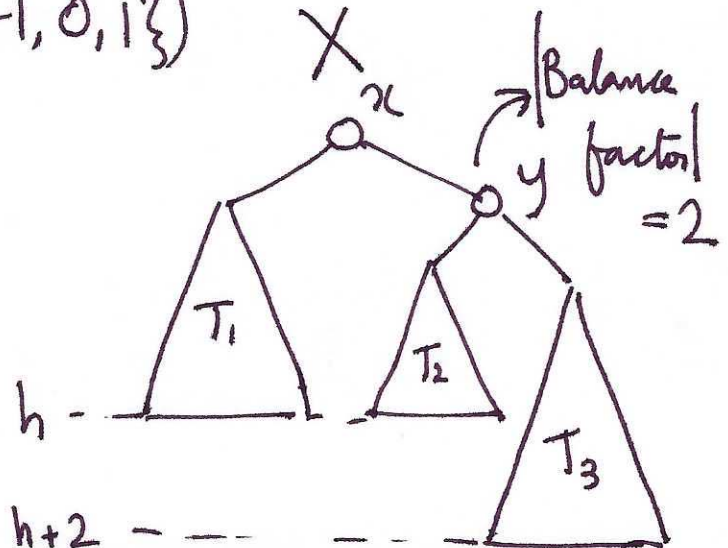
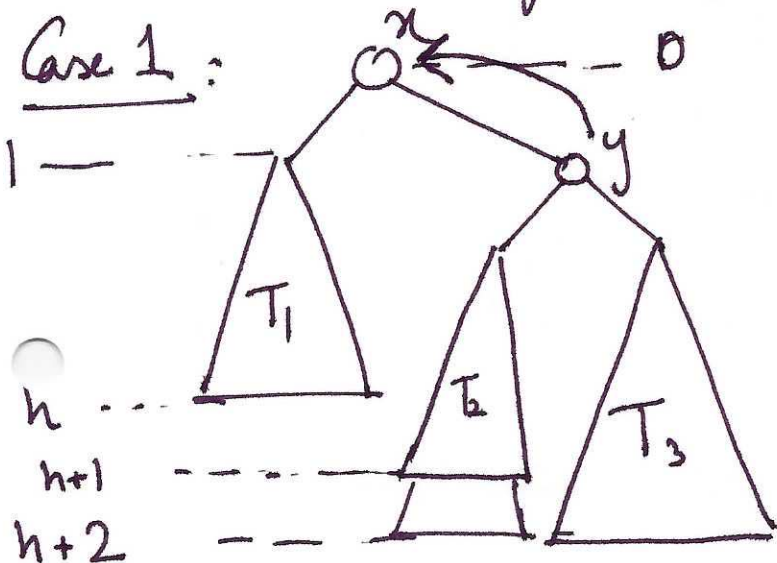
Suppose ~~a~~ balance factor ^{of x} is -2 .

$$\text{Height of left subtree} - \text{Height of right subtree} = -2$$

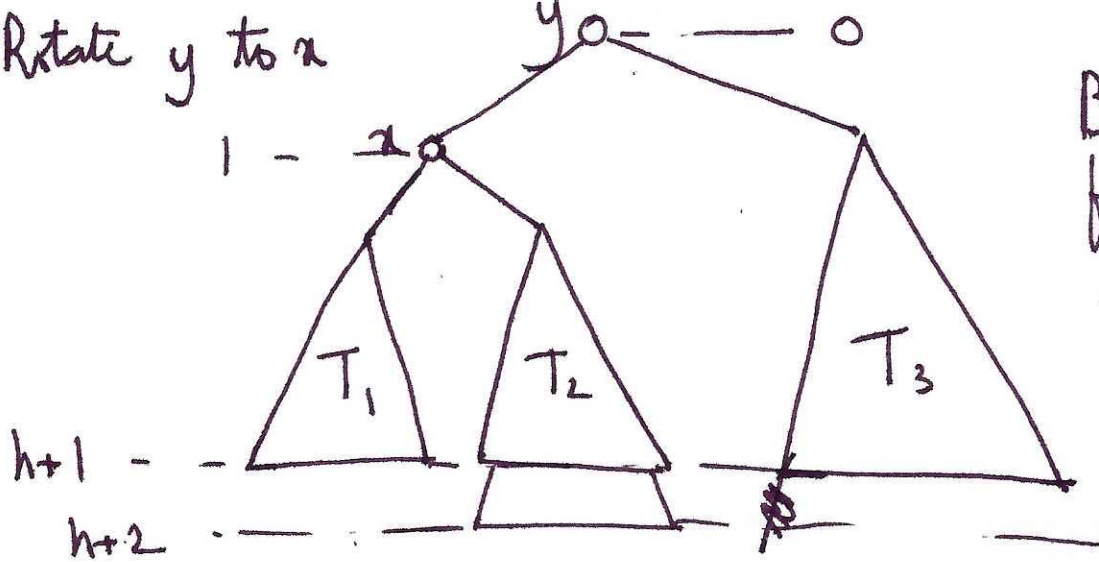
At x : $\text{Height of right} = \text{Height of left} + 2$

Assume all (strict) descendants of x have a correct balance factor ($\in \{-1, 0, 1\}$)

Case 1:



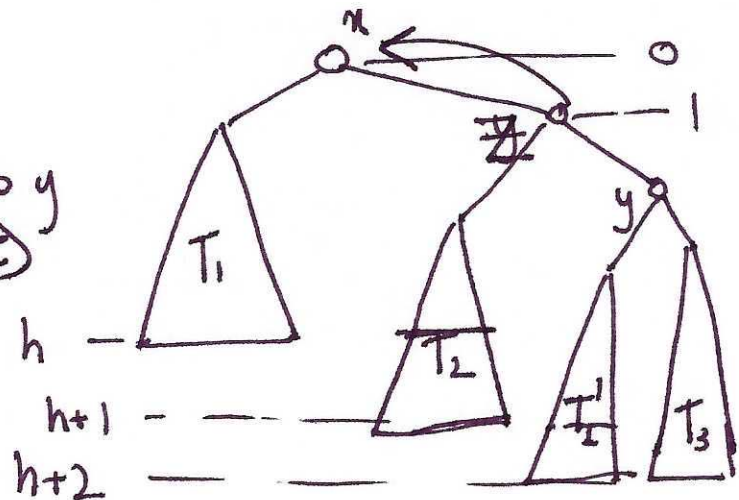
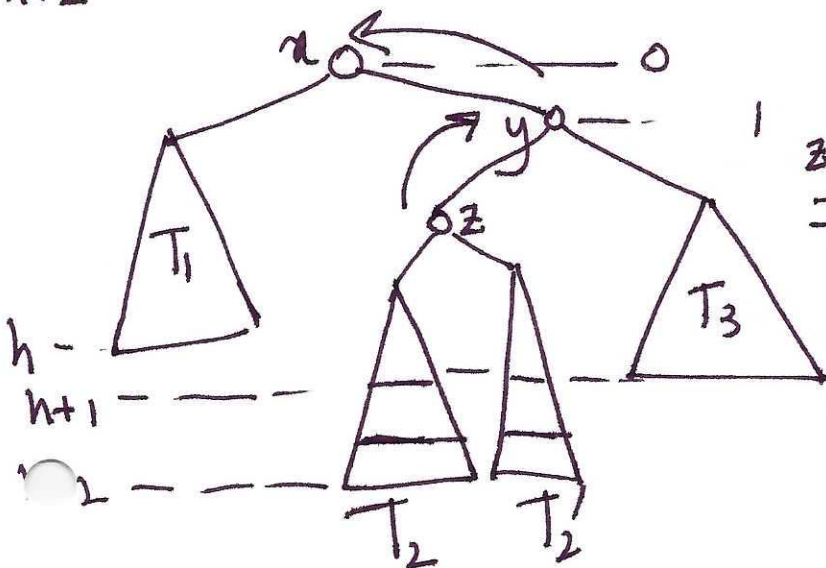
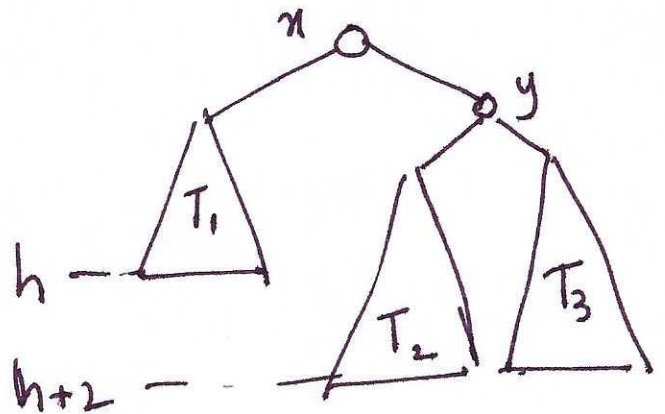
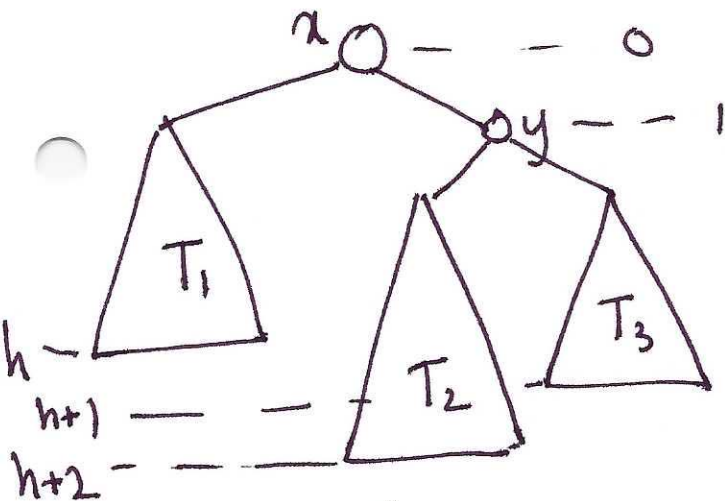
Rotate y to x



Case 1: T_3 is the highest

Case 2: T_2 is the highest

(Done in Case 1)
What about



Case 1