CSI33 Data Structures

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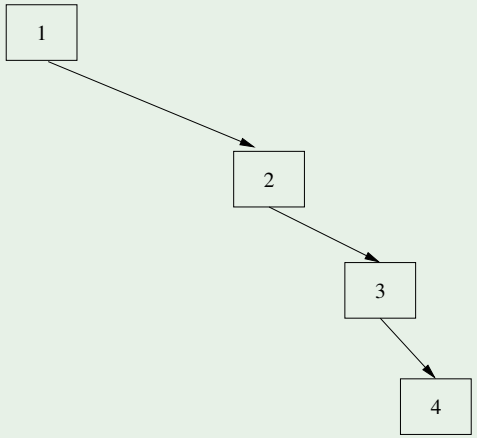
Outline

Improving The Worst-Case Performance for BSTs

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.

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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 solutions was developed by G.M. Adelson-Velskii and E.M. Landis in 1960s)*.
- This can be efficiently enforced each time a node is inserted or deleted.
- The worst case height is about $1.44 \lg(n)$.
- The performance of the insert, delete, and find operations is $\Theta(\lg n)$.

Basic Facts

The AVL Tree property

An AVL tree is a binary search tree, with the additional property: for every node, the depths of its left and right subtrees can differ by at most one level.

Inventors

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

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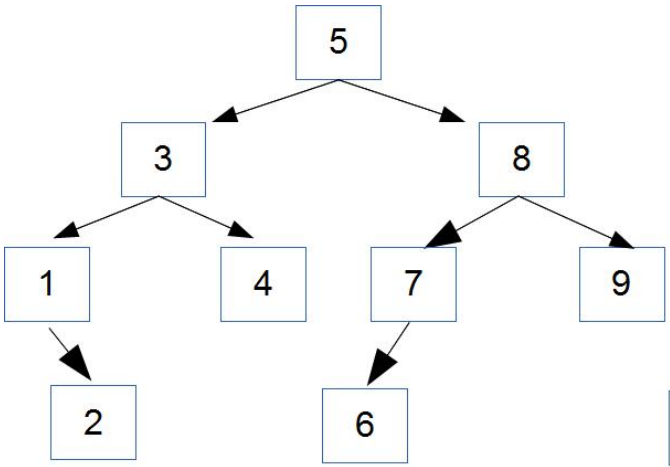
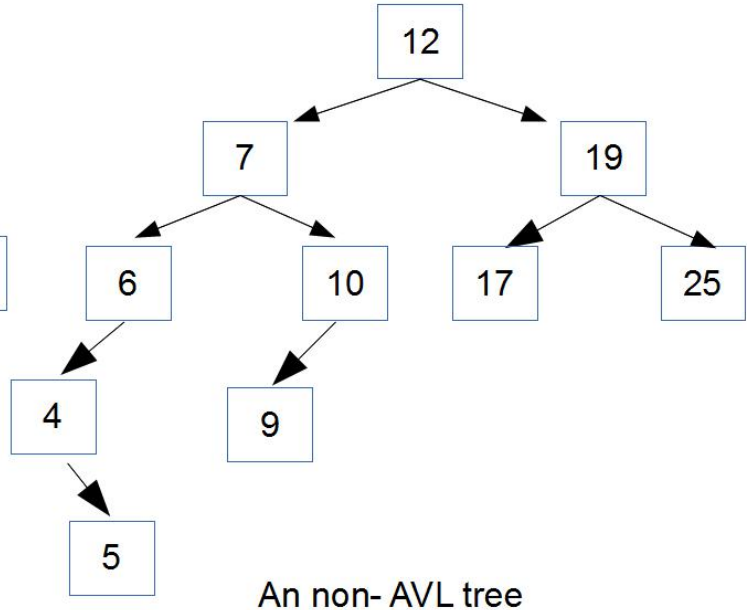


An AVL tree



An non- AVL tree

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.

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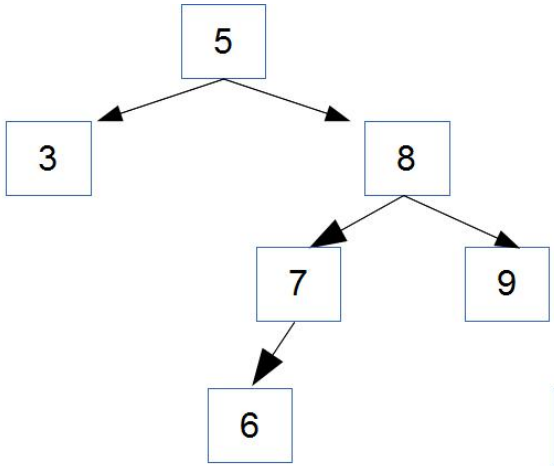
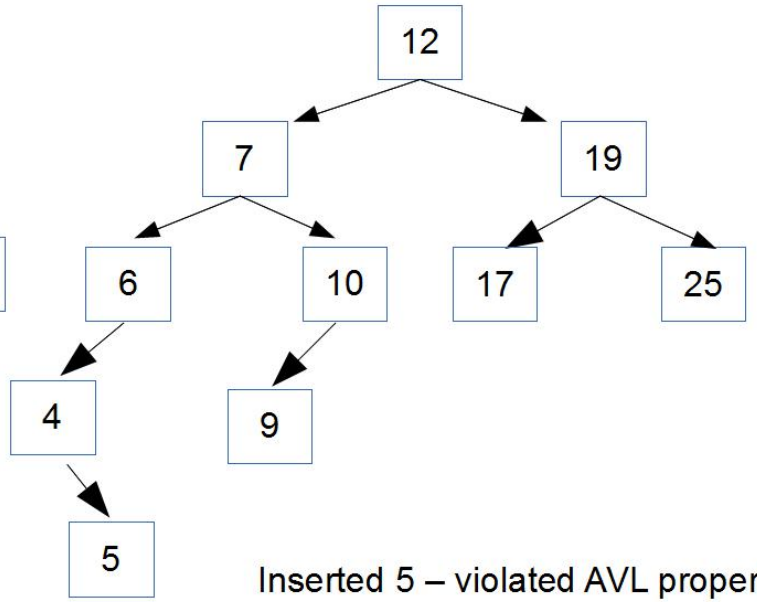
When is AVL property violated:

- we are **inserting a node into an existing leaf node**, and at nodes:

5 (Tree1) and 6(Tree2) AVL property is violated



Inserted 6 – violated AVL property



Inserted 5 – violated AVL property

Note that in both cases the AVL property is violated at a node which **has a subtree with a depth at least two**

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

Modification of TreeNode class: Python

```
class TreeNode(object):
    def __init__(self, data=None, left=None, right=None, height=0):
        self.item = data
        self.left = left
        self.right = right
        self.height = height

    def get_height(t):
        if t is None:
            return -1
        else:
            return t.height
```

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Modification of TreeNode class: C++

```
class TreeNode {
   friend int getHeight(TreeNode *t);

public:
   TreeNode(int item, TreeNode* left = NULL, TreeNode* right =
NULL);
    TreeNode();

private:
   int _item;
   TreeNode* _left;
   TreeNode* _right;
   int _height;
};
```

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AVL property failure and rotations

Depending on the "direction" of insertion (after which AVL property fails) there are different rotations that re-balance the tree:

- inserting into the left subtree of the left child
  $\rightarrow$ single rotation
- inserting into the right subtree of the right child
  $\rightarrow$ single rotation
- inserting into the left subtree of the right child
  $\rightarrow$ double rotation
- inserting into the right subtree of the left child
  $\rightarrow$ double rotation

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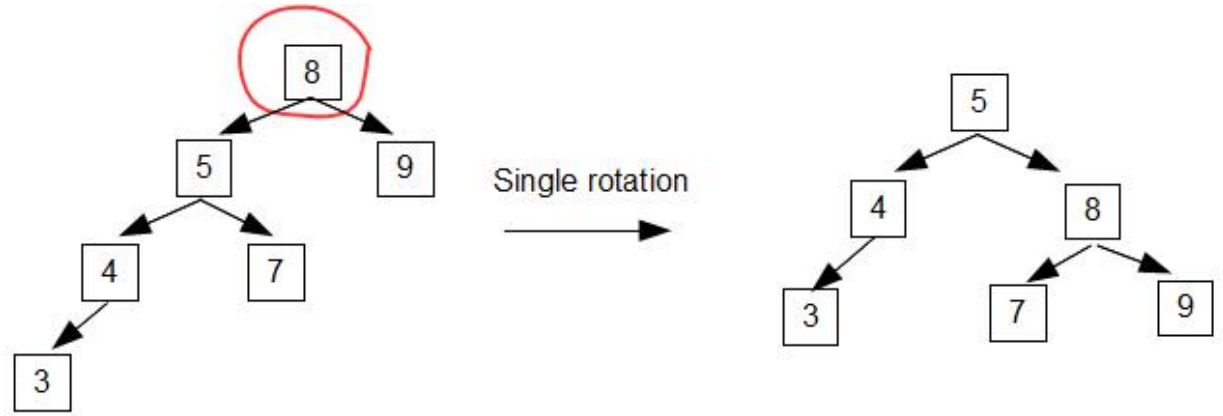
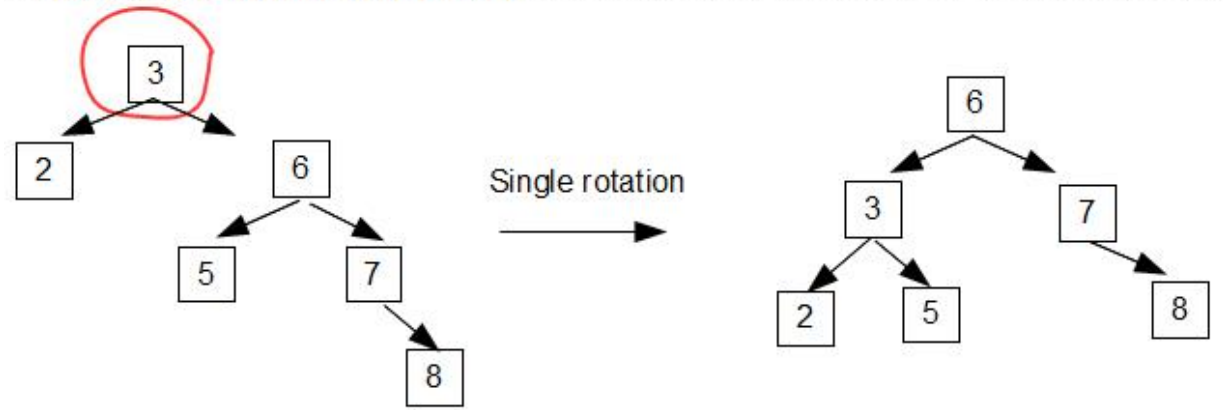
Single Rotations 2 cases:



Inserting 3: left subtree of left child



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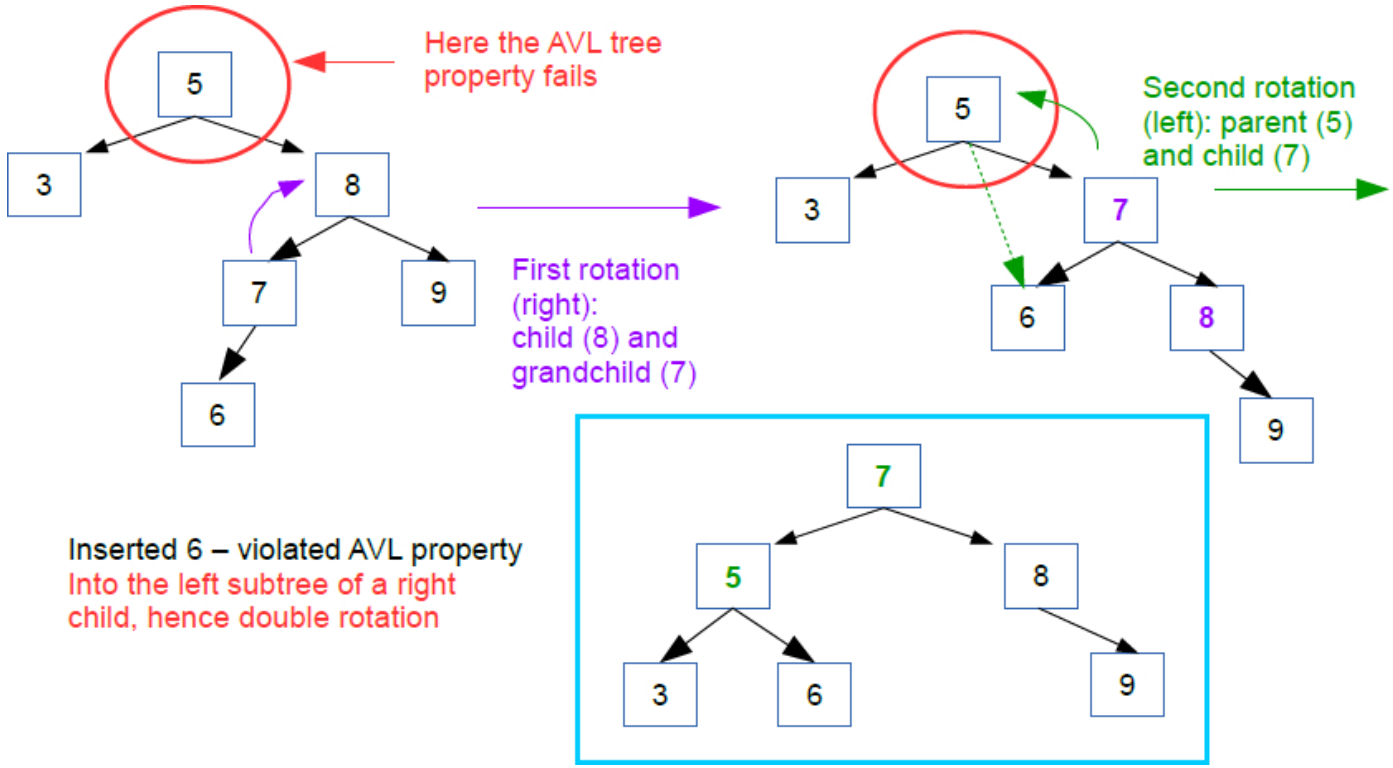
Double rotation example:



AVL Trees: Insertion implementation

AVL Insertion : in Python

```
def insert(self, value):
    self.root = self._insert_help(self.root, value)
 def _insert_help(self, t, value):
    if t is None:
        t = TreeNode(value)
    elif value < t.item:# inserting into the left subtree
        t.left = self._insert_help(t.left, value)
        if get_height(t.left) - get_height(t.right) == 2:
            if value < t.left.item:  #left subtree of left child
                t = self._left_single_rotate(t)
            else:  t = self._right_left_rotate(t)
    else:  # exercise for reader, inserting into the right subtree
    t.height = max(get_height(t.left), get_height(t.right)) + 1
    return t
```

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AVL Rebalancing: Double Rotation

```
  def _right_left_rotate(self, t):
    t.left =
self._right_single_rotate(t.left)
    t = self._left_single_rotate(t)
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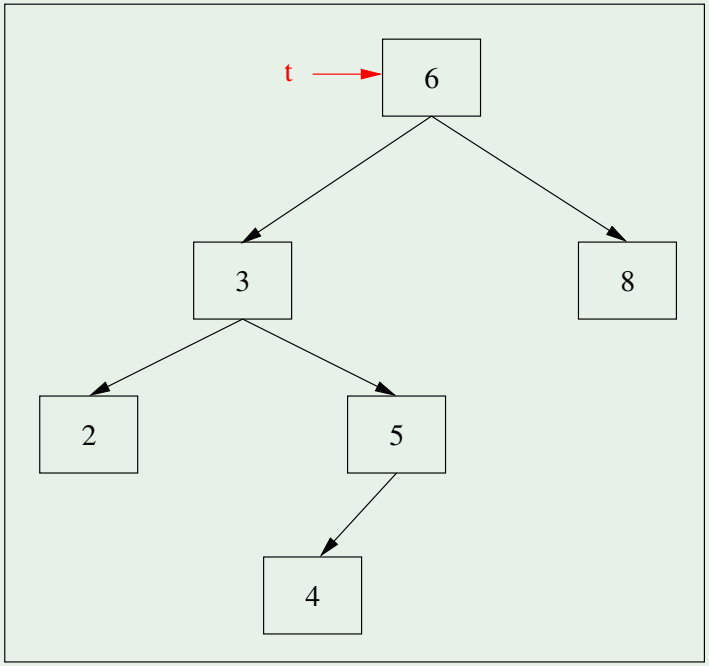

AVL Trees: Insertion implementation

AVL Right Subtree Insertion: Rebalancing at node t

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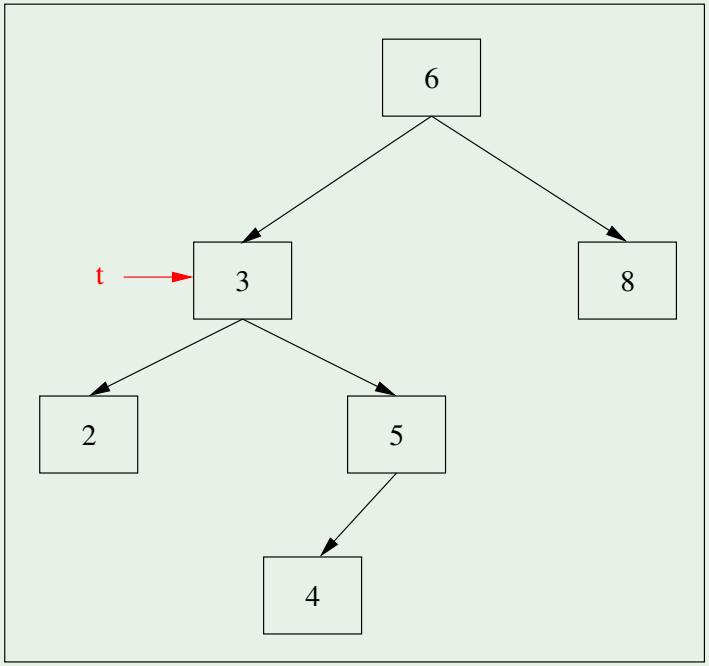

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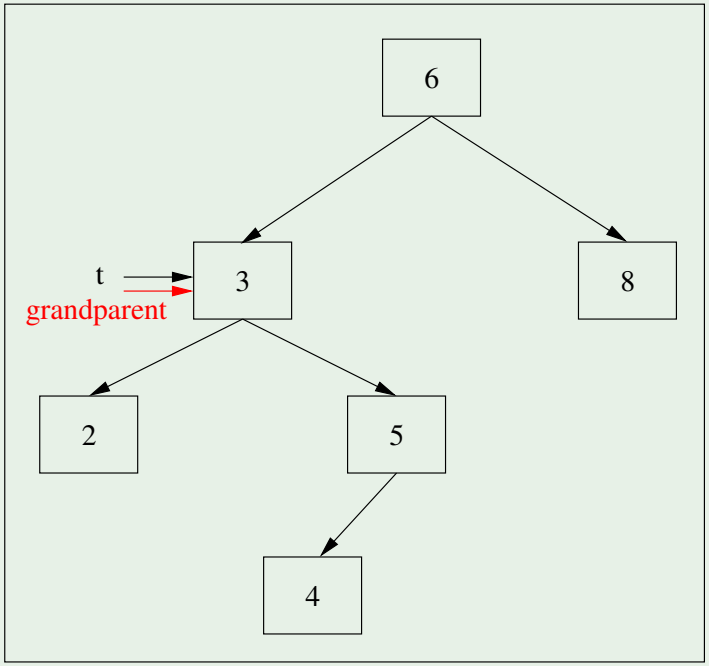

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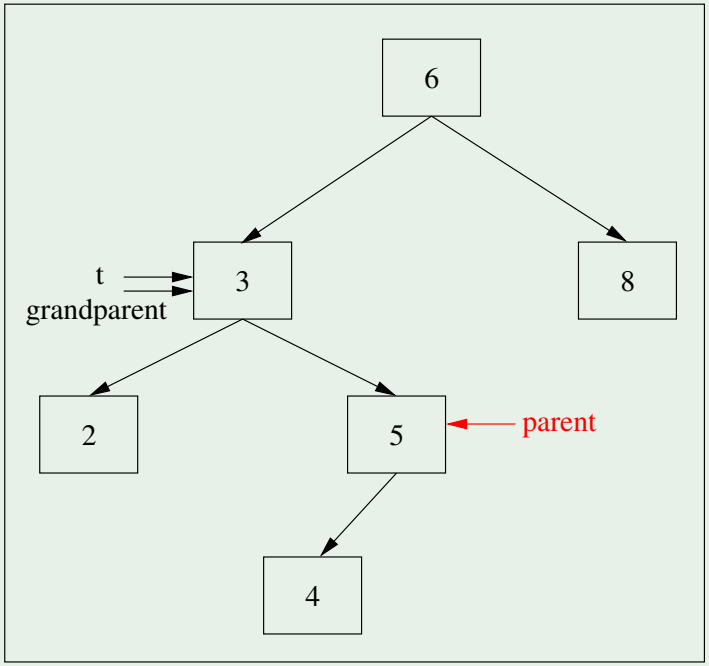

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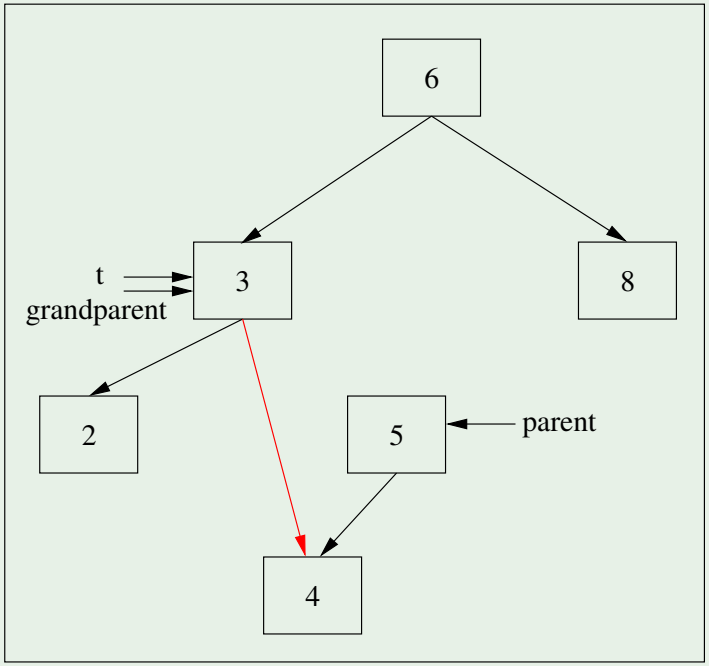

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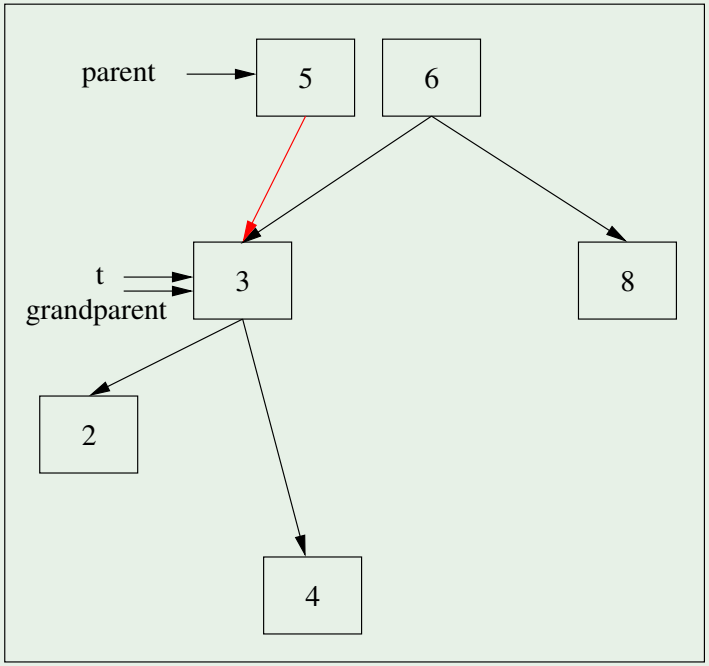

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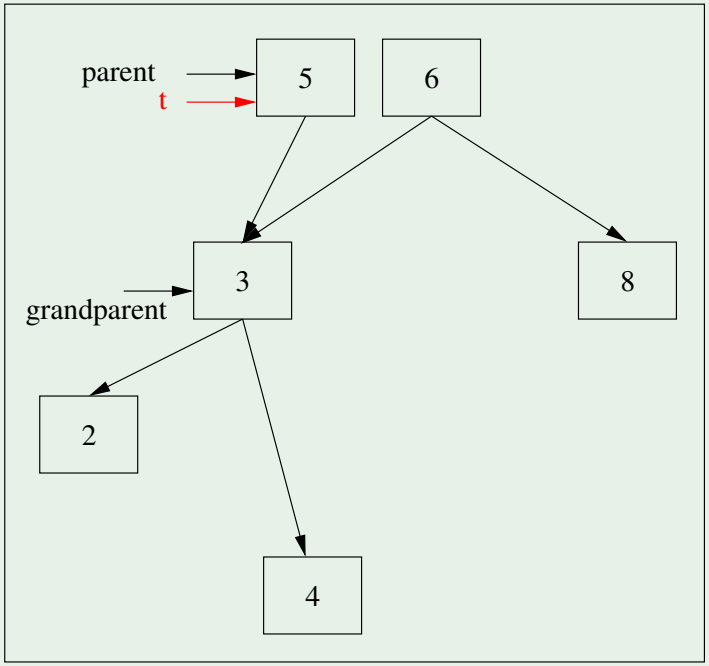

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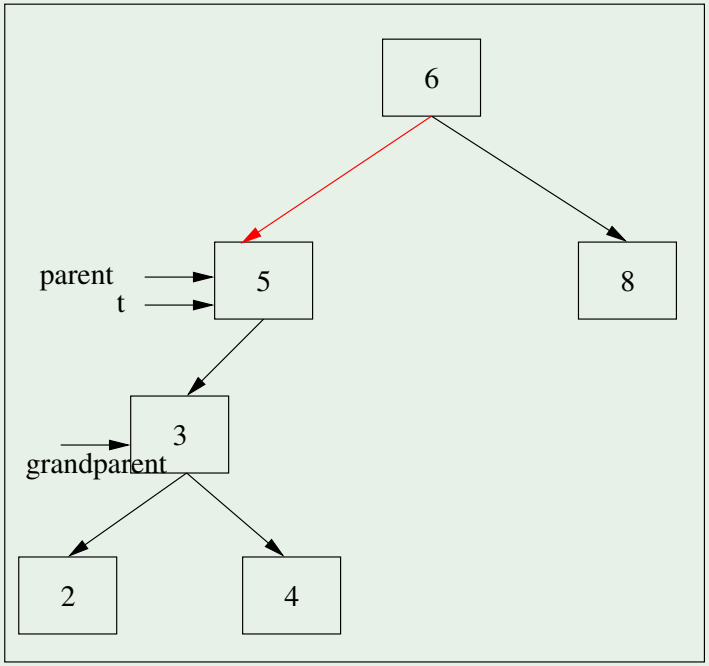

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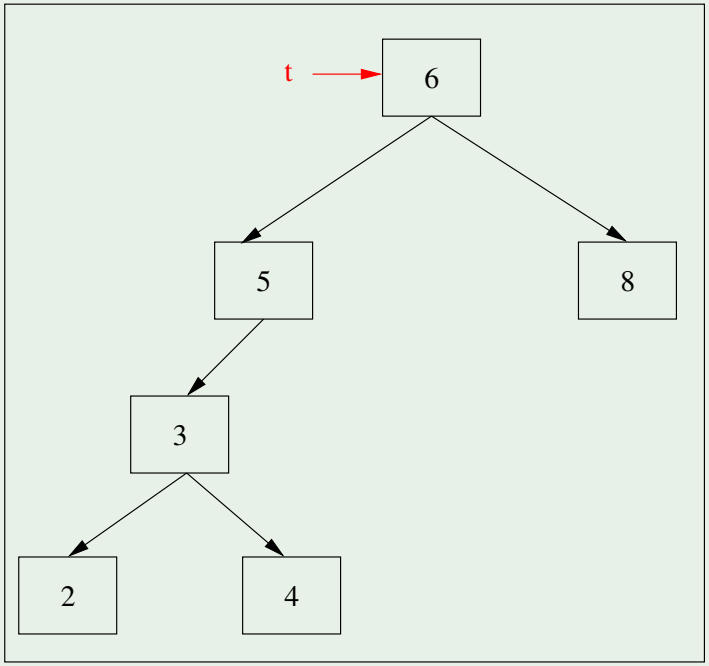

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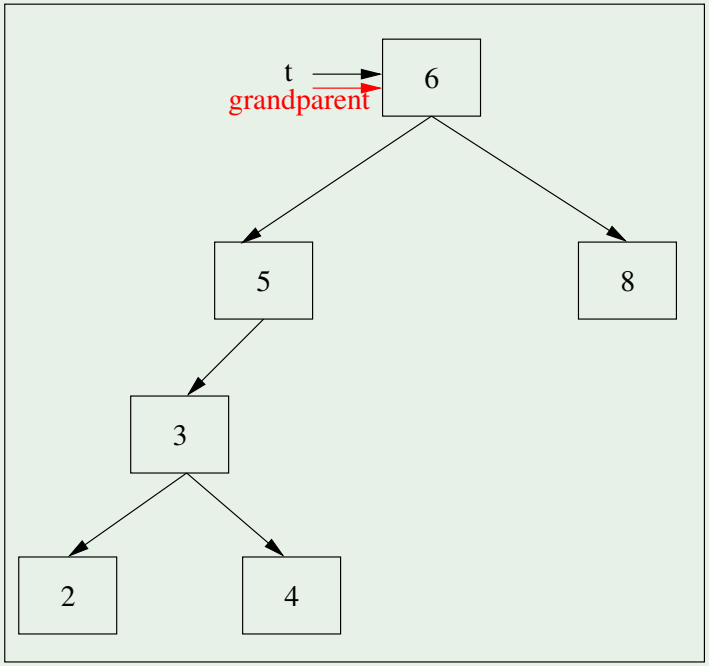

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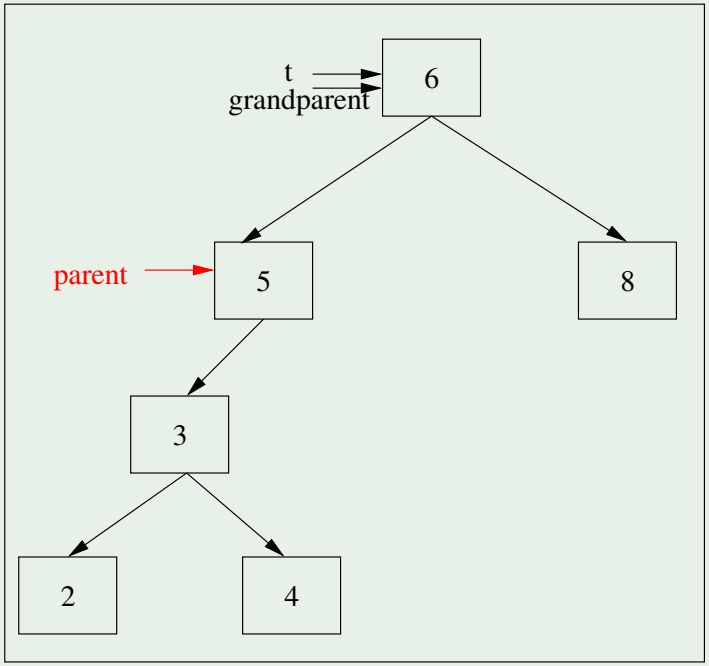

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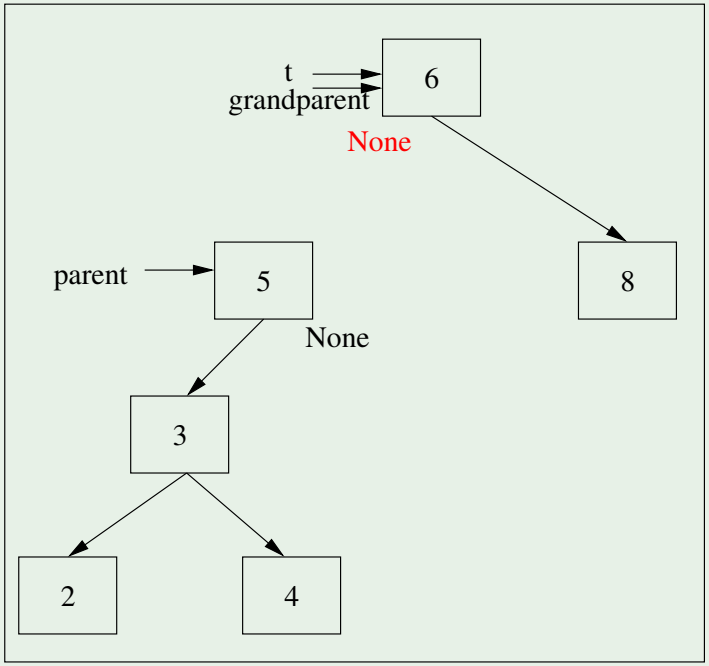

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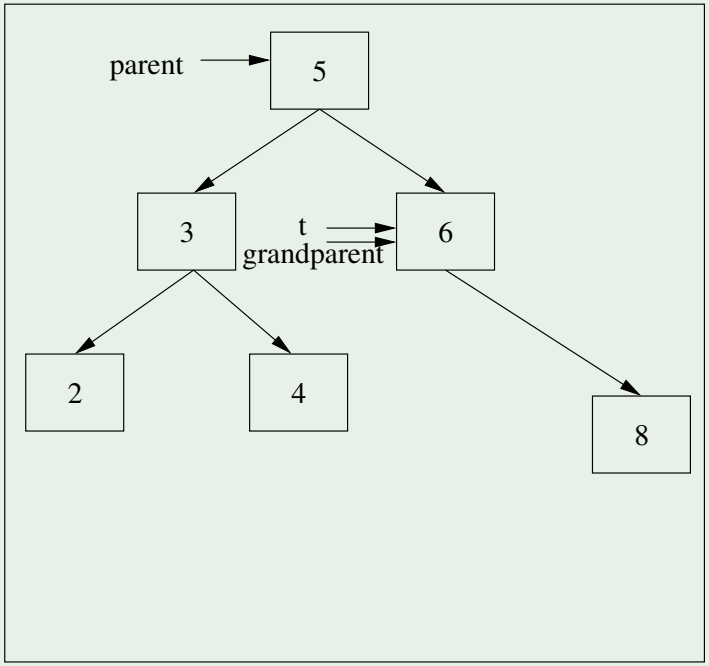

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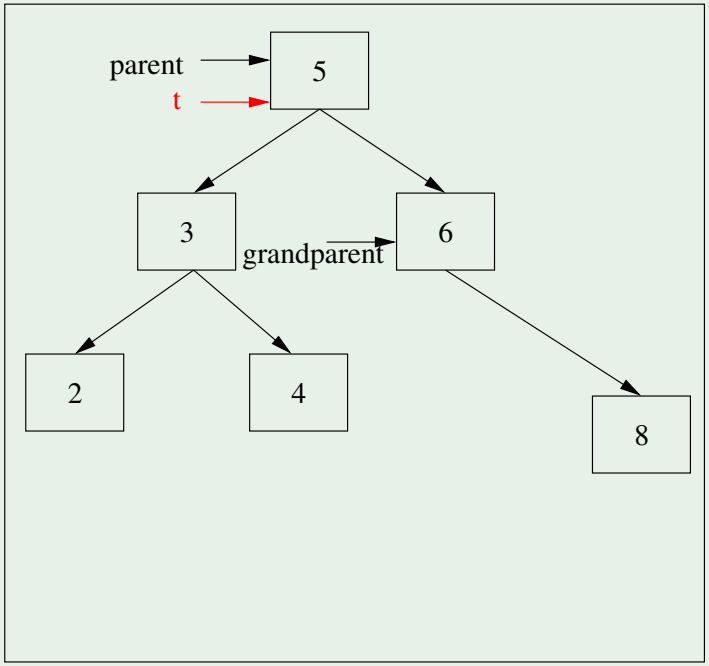

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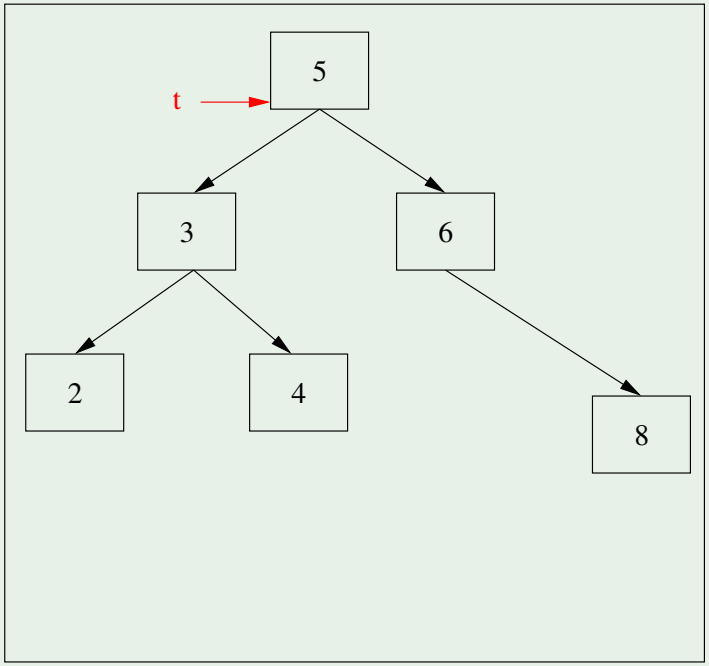

What is done and what is not done

in Python:

The code of AVLTree is not complete. Two rotations are absent, conversion to list and generator are not defined.

Deletion operation is absent (and not even discussed in class)

in C++:

The code of AVLTree is complete.

AVL trees

Practicing on re-balancing

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