

CSE 326: Data Structures  
Lecture #10  
Amazingly Vexing Letters

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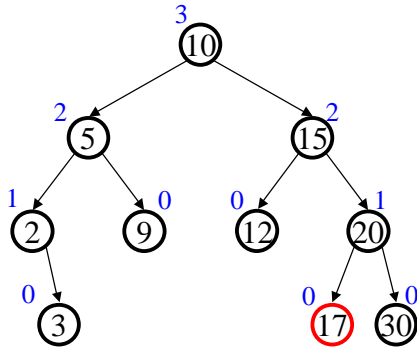
Today's Outline

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- AVL Trees
  - Deletion
  - buildTree
  - Thinking about AVL trees
- Splay Trees

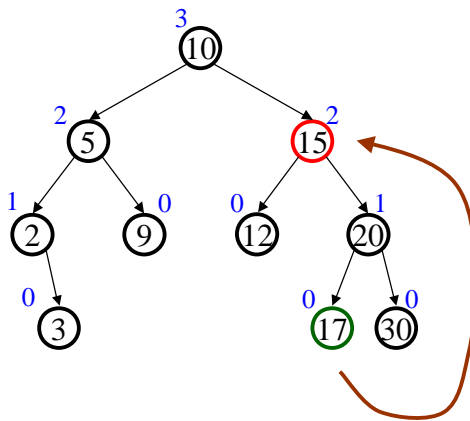
## Deletion (Really Easy Case)

Delete(17)



## Deletion (Pretty Easy Case)

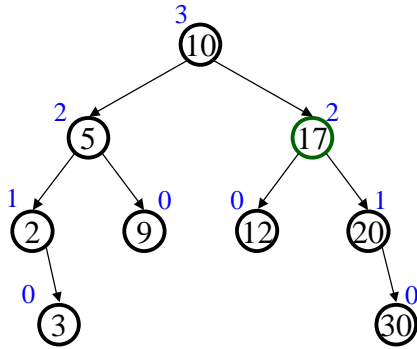
Delete(15)



## Deletion (Pretty Easy Case *cont.*)

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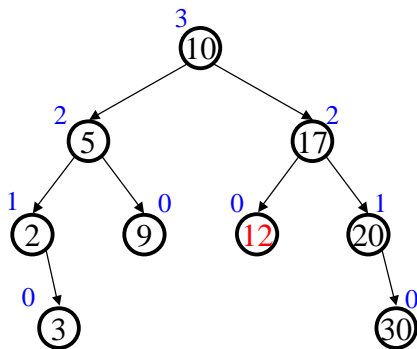
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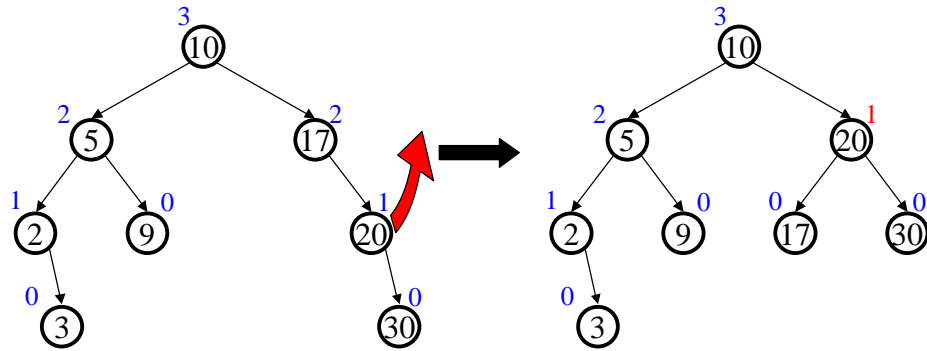
## Deletion (Hard Case #1)

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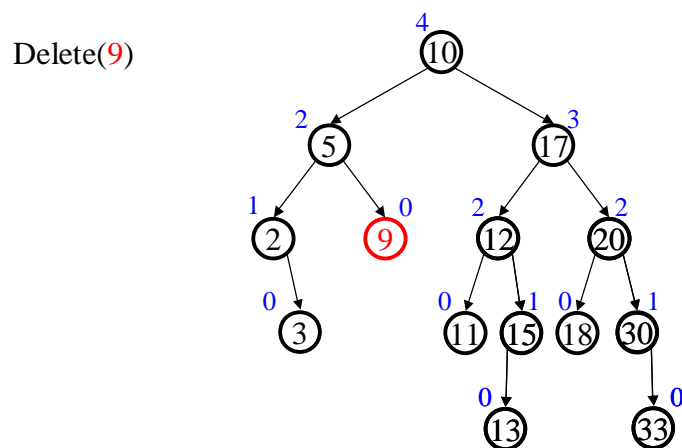


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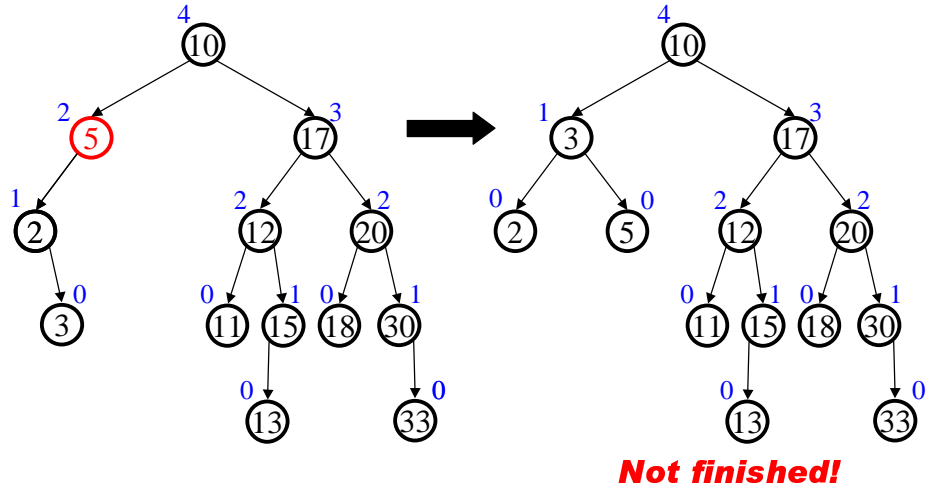


What is **different** about deletion than insertion?

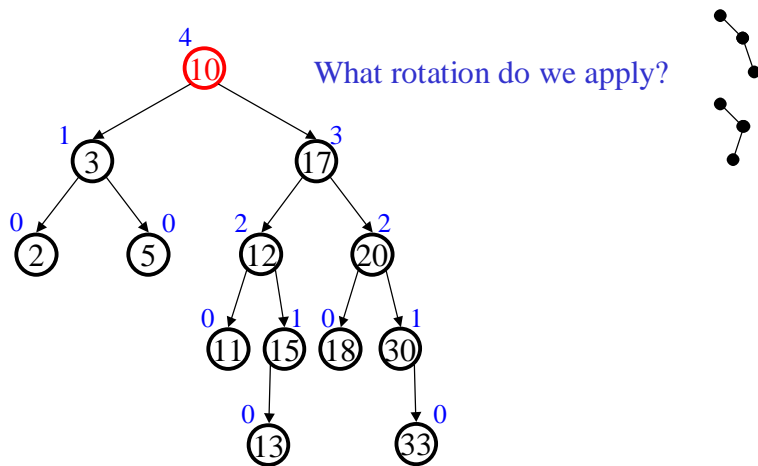
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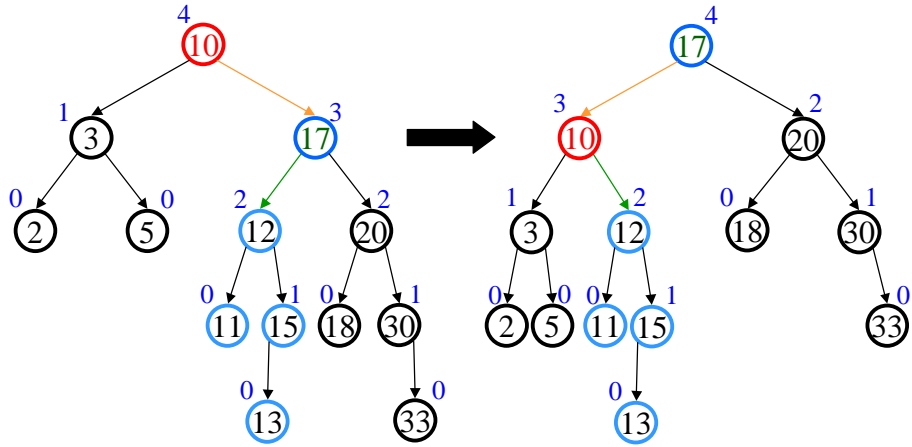
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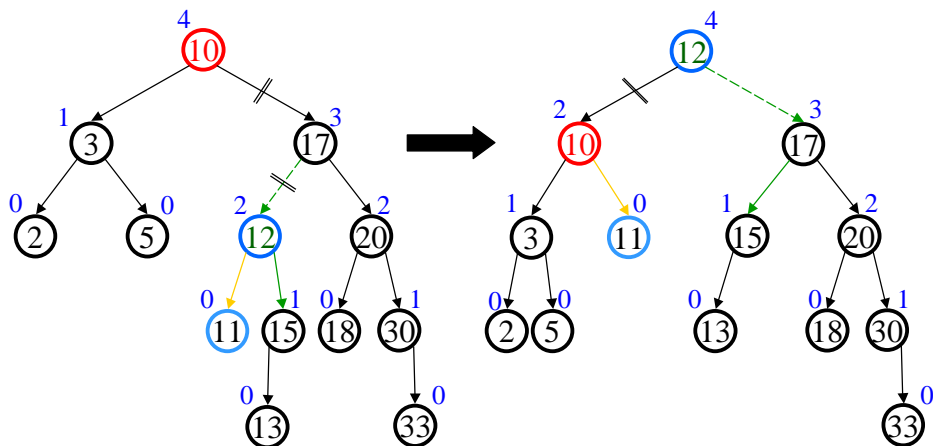
## Deletion with Propagation



## Propagated Single Rotation



## Propagated Double Rotation



## AVL Deletion Algorithm

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### *Recursive*

1. If at node, delete it
2. Otherwise recurse to find it
3. Correct heights
  - a. If imbalance #1, single rotate
  - b. If imbalance #2 (or don't care), double rotate

### *Iterative*

1. Search downward for node, **stacking parent nodes**
2. Delete node
3. Unwind stack, correcting heights
  - a. If imbalance #1, single rotate
  - b. If imbalance #2 (or don't care) double rotate

## Fun with AVL Trees

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To Insert a sequence of n keys (unordered)

19 3 4 18 7

into initially empty AVL tree takes

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \log i \leq \sum_{i=1}^n \log n = O(n \log n)$$

If we then print using inorder traversal taking

$O(n)$

what do we get?

## What can we improve?

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Printing every node is  $O(n)$ , nothing to do

What about building a tree?

– Can we do it in less than  $O(n \log n)$

- What if the input is sorted?

3 4 7 18 19

If it is sorted, why bother?  
We'll see in a moment!

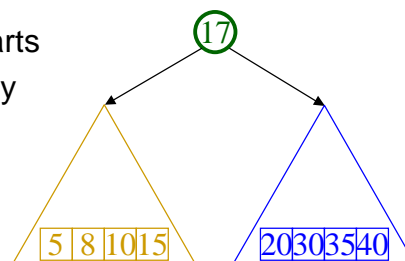
## AVL buildTree

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### Divide & Conquer

- Divide the problem into parts
- Solve each part recursively
- Merge the parts into a general solution



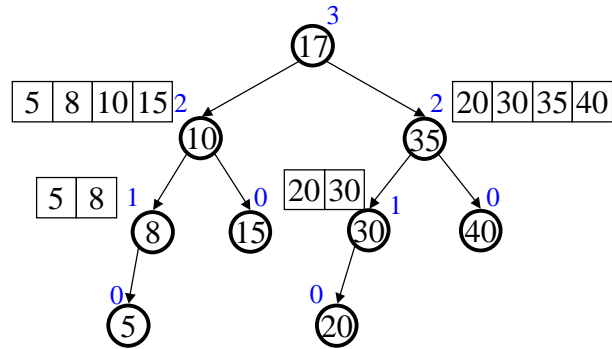
How long does  
divide & conquer take?



## BuildTree Example

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## BuildTree Analysis (Approximate)

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$$T(1) = 1$$

$$T(n) = 2T(n/2) + 1$$

## BuildTree Analysis (Exact)

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Precise Analysis:  $T(0) = b$

$$T(n) = T(\lceil \frac{n-1}{2} \rceil) + T(\lfloor \frac{n-1}{2} \rfloor) + c$$

By induction on  $n$ :

$$T(n) = (b+c)n + b$$

Base case:

$$T(0) = b = (b+c)0 + b$$

Induction step:

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= (b+c) \lceil \frac{n-1}{2} \rceil + \boxed{b} + \left( \lceil \frac{n-1}{2} \rceil + \lfloor \frac{n-1}{2} \rfloor = n-1 \right) \\ &\quad (b+c) \lfloor \frac{n-1}{2} \rfloor + \boxed{b} + c \\ &= (b+c)n + b \end{aligned}$$

QED:  $T(n) = (b+c)n + b = \Theta(n)$

## Application: Batch Deletion

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- Suppose we are using **lazy** deletion
- When there are **lots** of deleted nodes ( $n/2$ ), need to **flush** them all out
- Batch deletion:
  - Print non-deleted nodes into an array  
*How?*
  - Divide & conquer AVL Treebuild
  - Total time:

Why we cared!

## Thinking About AVL

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- Observations
  - + Worst case height of an AVL tree is about  $1.44 \log n$
  - + Insert, Find, Delete in worst case  $O(\log n)$
  - + Only one (single or double) rotation needed on insertion
  - $O(\log n)$  rotations needed on deletion
  - + Compatible with lazy deletion
  - Height fields must be maintained (or 2-bit balance)

## Alternatives to AVL Trees

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- Change the balance criteria:
  - Weight balanced trees
    - keep about the same number of nodes in each subtree
    - not nearly as nice
- Change the maintenance procedure:
  - Splay trees
    - “blind” adjusting version of AVL trees
      - no height information maintained!
    - insert/find always rotates node *to the root!*
    - worst case time is  $O(n)$
    - amortized time for all operations is  $O(\log n)$
    - mysterious, but often faster than AVL trees in practice (better low-order terms)

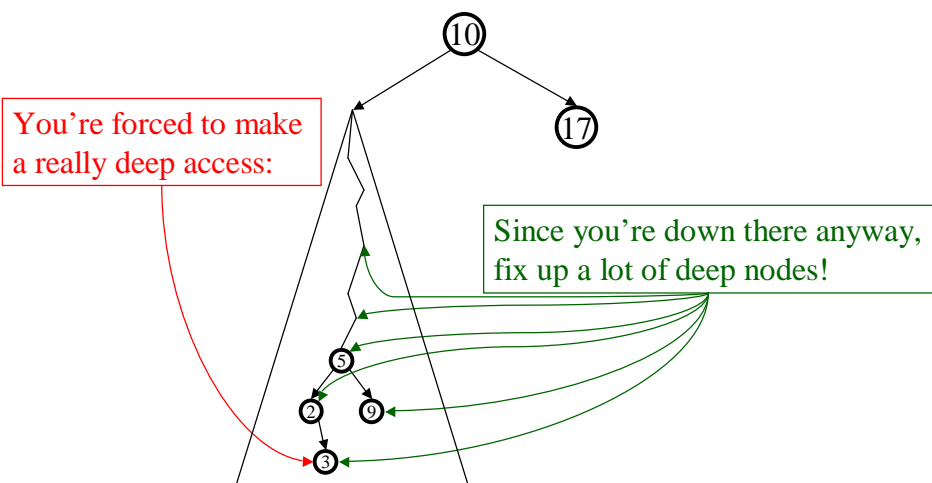
# Splay Trees

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- “blind” rebalancing
  - no height or balance information stored
- amortized time for all operations is  $O(\log n)$
- worst case time is  $O(n)$
- insert/find always rotates node *to the root!*
  - Good locality
    - most common keys move high in tree

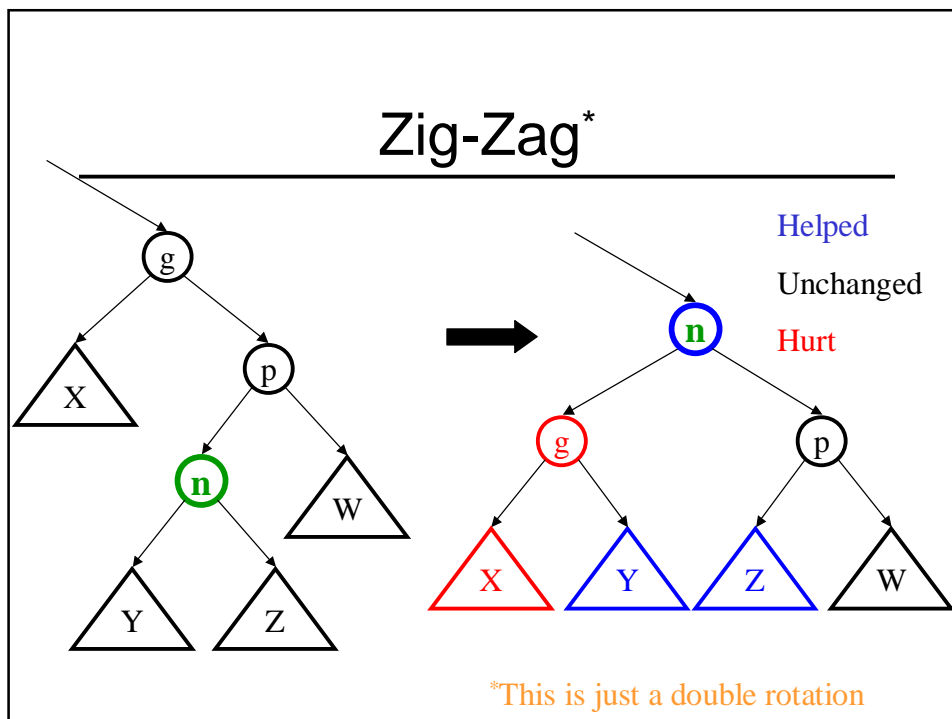
## Idea

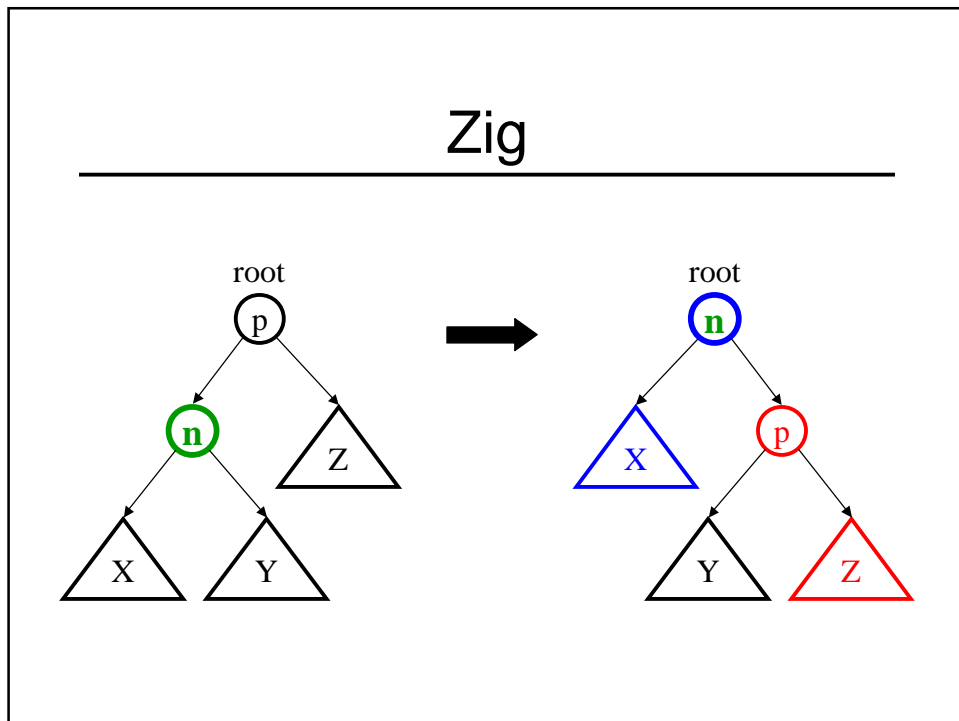
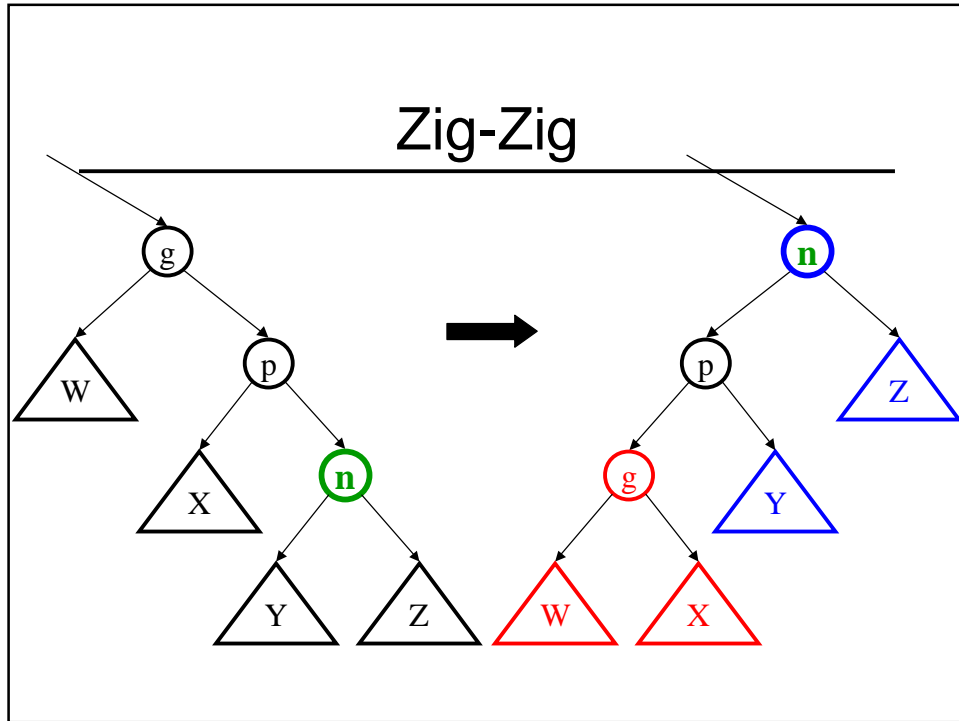
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## Splay Operations: Find

- Find(x)
  1. do a normal BST search to find n such that  
n->key = x
  2. move n to root by series of **zig-zag** and **zig-zig** rotations, followed by a final **zig** if necessary





## Why Splaying Helps

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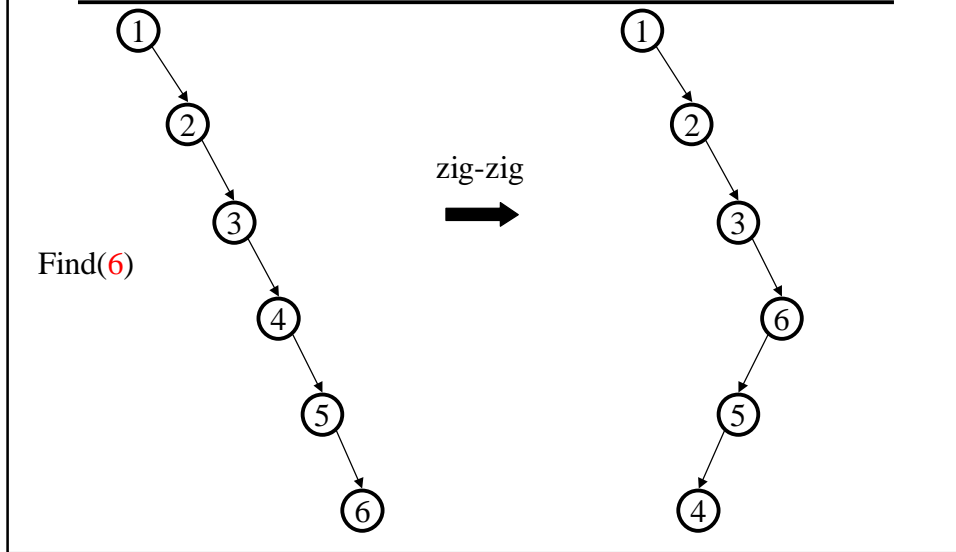
- Node  $n$  and its children are always helped (raised)
- Except for final zig, nodes that are hurt by a zig-zag or zig-zig are later helped by a rotation higher up the tree!
- Result:
  - shallow (zig) nodes may increase depth by one or two
  - helped nodes may decrease depth by a large amount
- If a node  $n$  on the access path is at depth  $d$  before the splay, it's at about depth  $d/2$  after the splay
  - Exceptions are the root, the child of the root, and the node splayed

## Locality

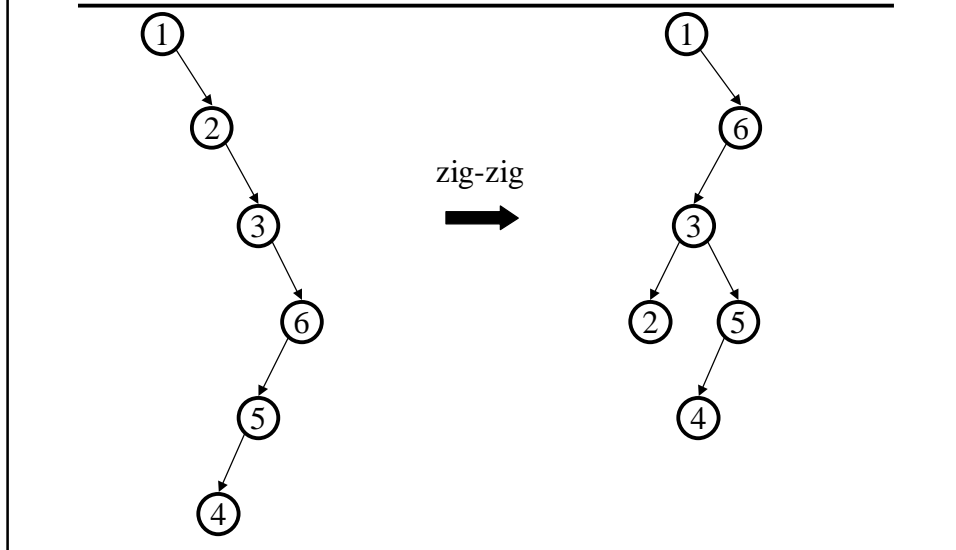
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- Assume  $m \geq n$  access in a tree of size  $n$ 
  - Total amortized time  $O(m \log n)$
  - $O(\log n)$  per access on average
- Gets better when you only access  $k$  distinct items in the  $m$  accesses.
  - Exercise.

## Splaying Example



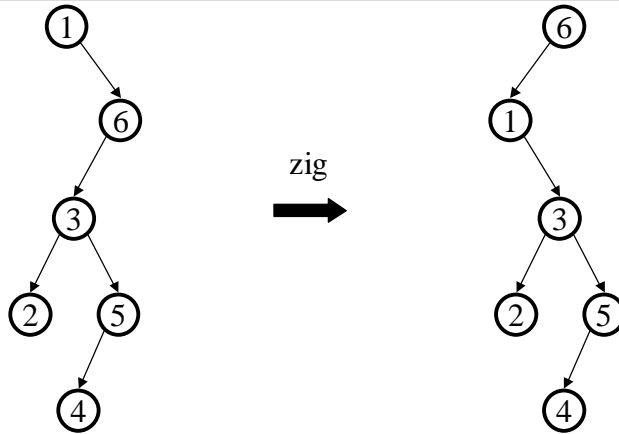
## Still Splaying 6





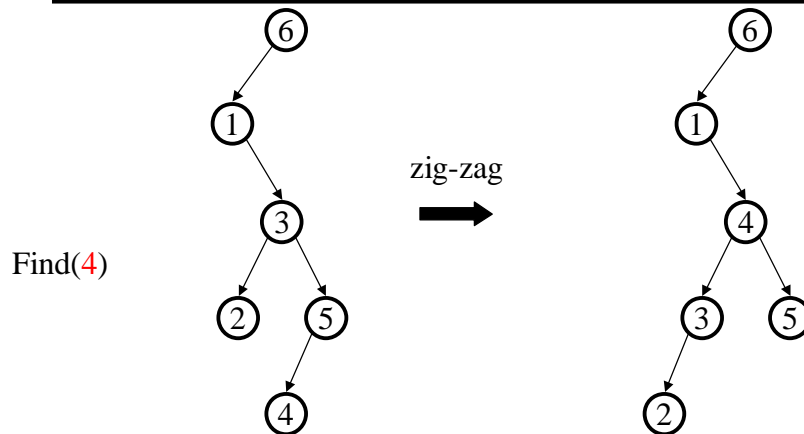
## Almost There, Stay on Target

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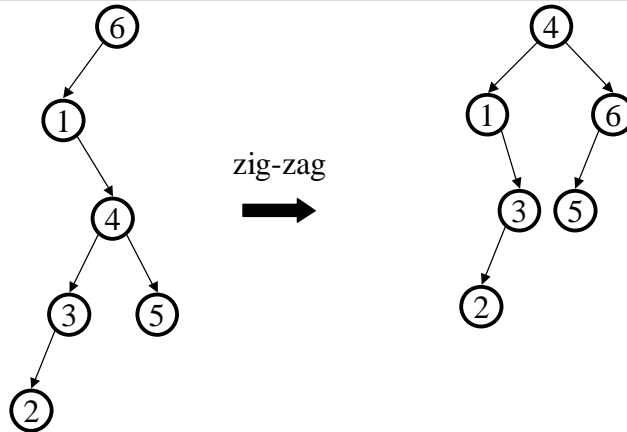
## Splay Again

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## Example Splayed Out

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## Splay Tree Summary

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- All operations are in amortized  $O(\log n)$  time
- Splaying can be done top-down; better because:
  - only one pass
  - no recursion or parent pointers necessary
- Invented by Sleator and Tarjan (1985), now widely used in place of AVL trees
- Splay trees are *very* effective search trees
  - relatively simple
  - no extra fields required
  - **excellent *locality* properties**: frequently accessed keys are cheap to find

## To Do

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- Study for midterm!
- Read through section 4.7 in the book
- Comments & Feedback
- Homework IV (studying)
- Project II – part B

## Coming Up

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- Midterm next Wednesday
- A **Huge** Search Tree Data Structure  
(not on the midterm)