

# CS180 - AVL trees

Note Title

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## Announcements

- HW - due tomorrow

- Next HW is up, due in 1 week  
may work with partner

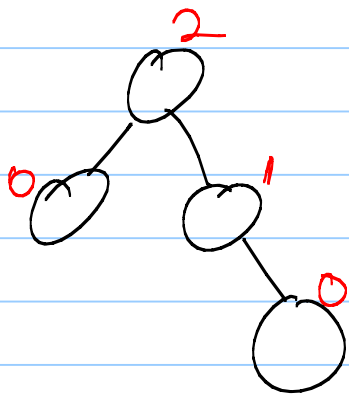
↳ Lab tomorrow

- Test in 2 weeks (on Monday)

# AVL Trees : BST with :

Height - Balance Property :  
For every node of  $T$ , the heights of the children differ by at most 1.

$$\Rightarrow \text{max height} \leq 2 \lceil \log_2 n \rceil$$

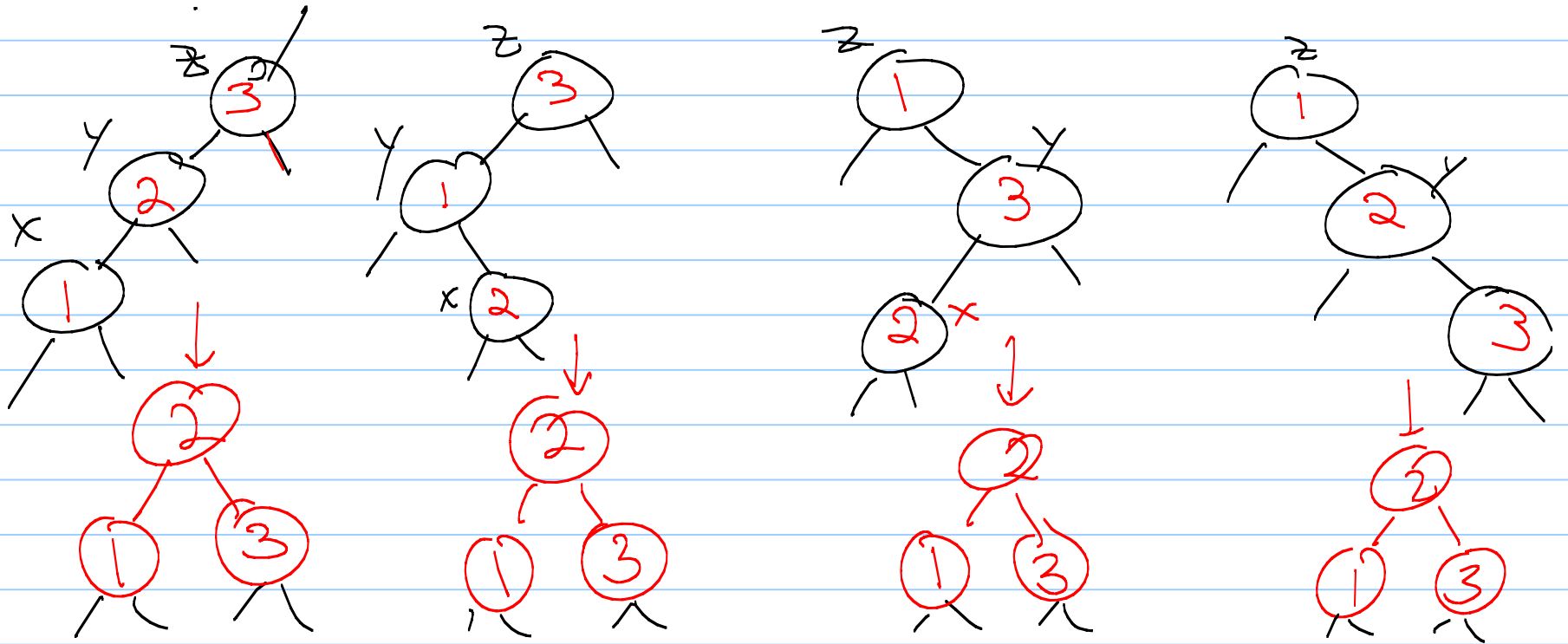


(How do we calculate height again?)

$$h(v) = \max(h(\text{left}(v)), h(\text{right}(v))) + 1$$

Insert: Do BST insert.

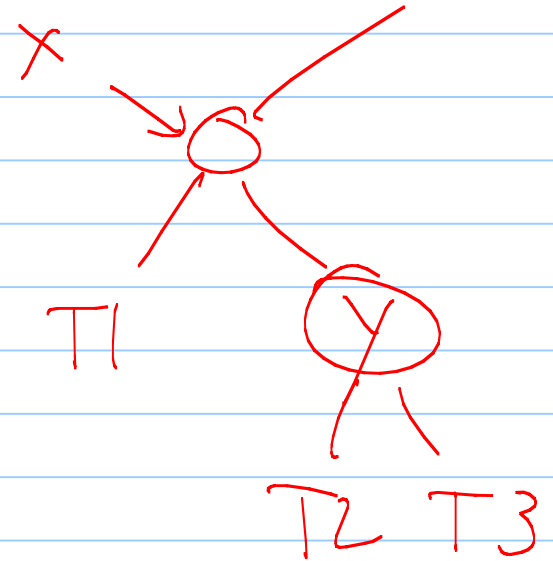
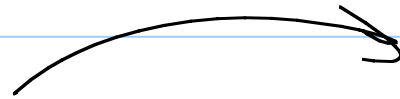
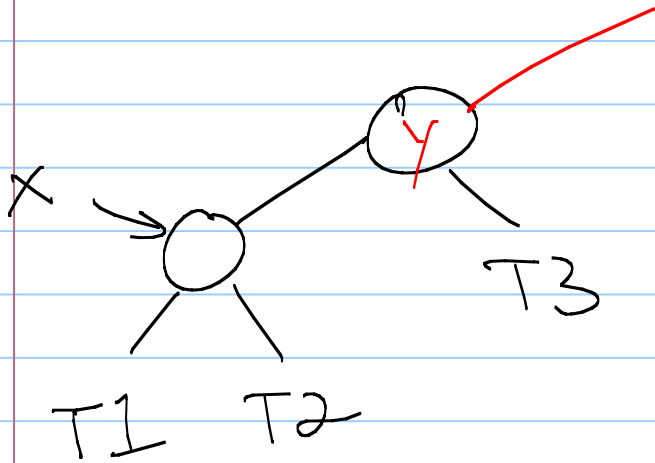
Then find lowest unbalanced node  $z$ :

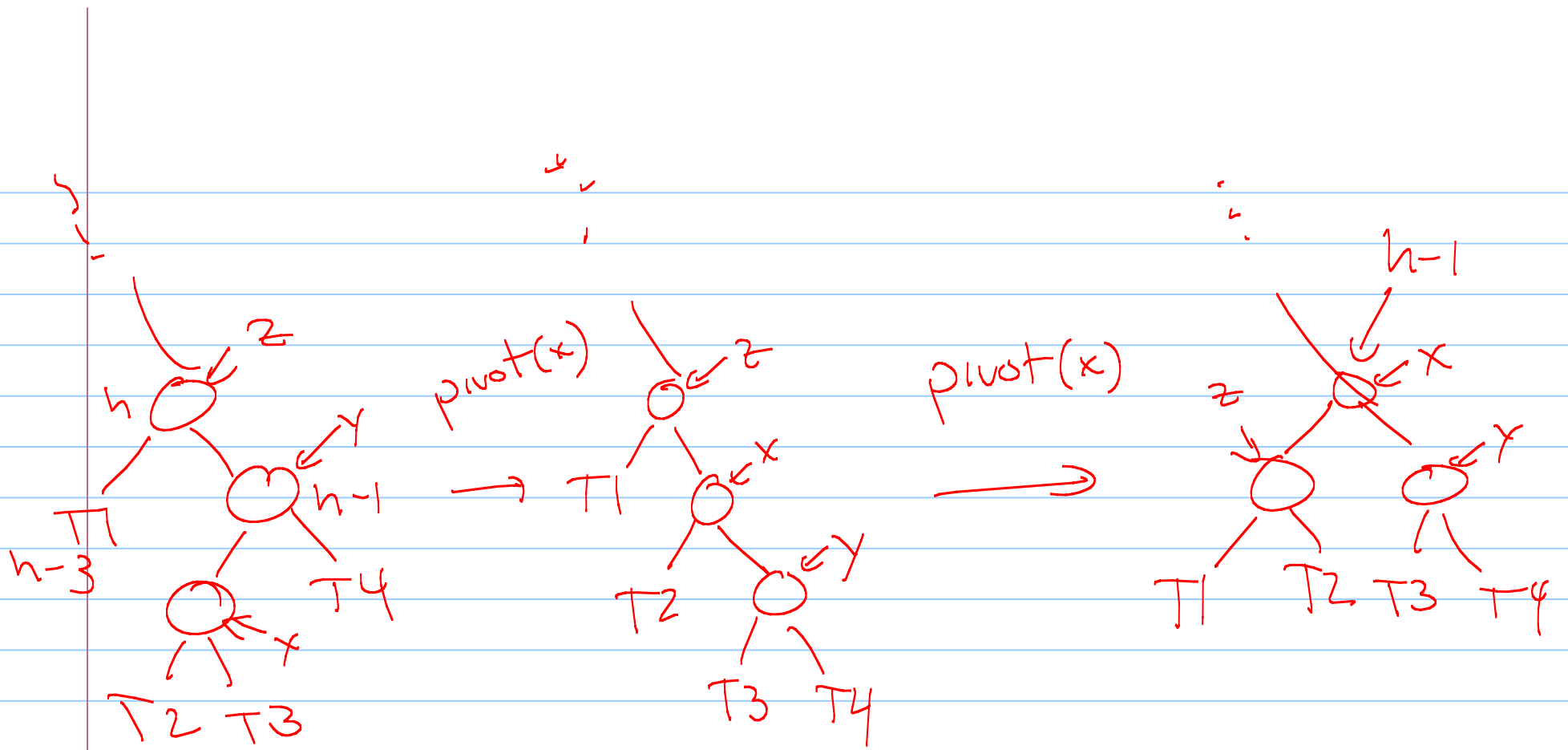


# Key operation:

- pivot (x)

runtime?  $O(1)$





## Removing in AVL trees

Step 1: Remove - just like in BST

Step 2: Re-balance (if removal violated H-B property.)

-note: start just above node actually deleted

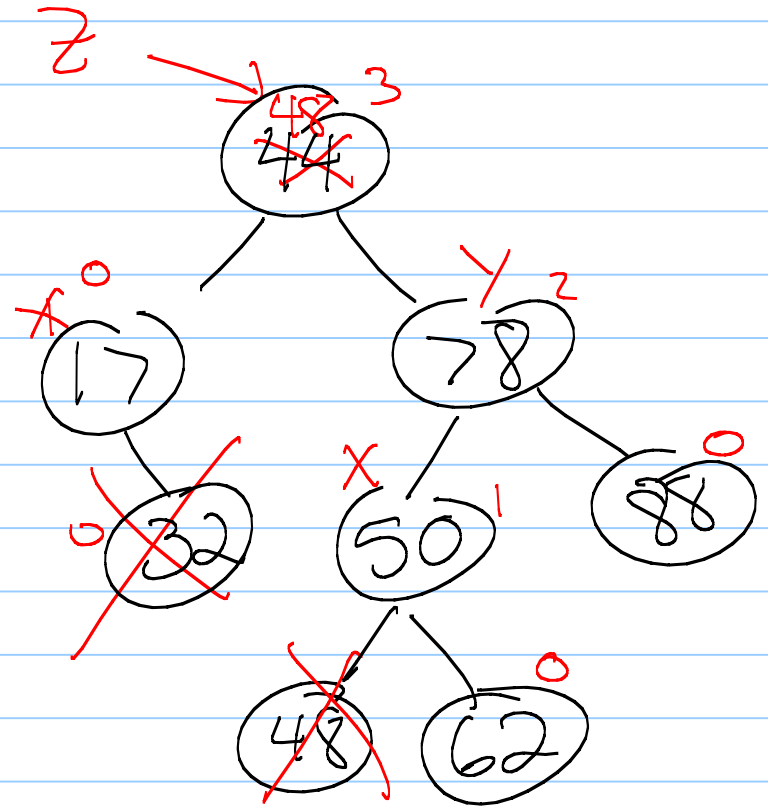
Note: Unlike insert, remove could actually unbalance all the way to the root.

Example:

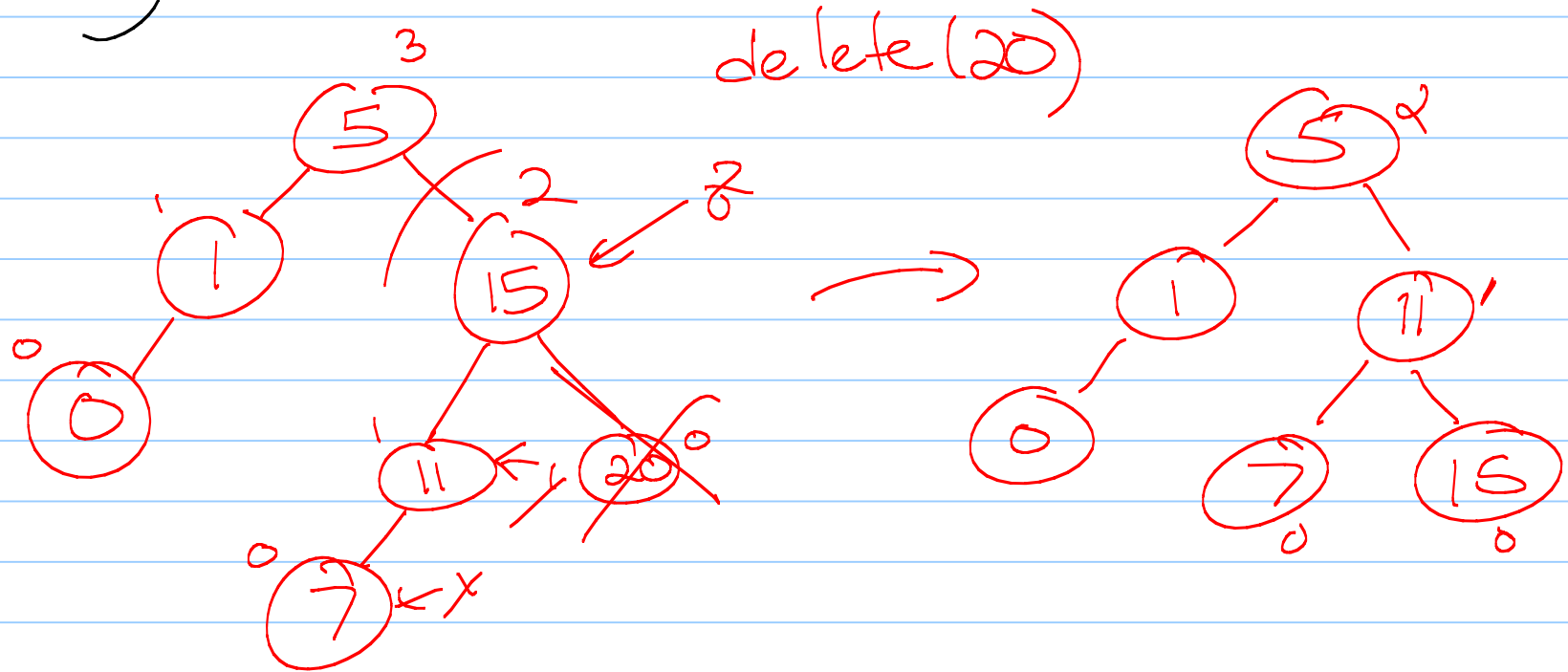
remove(44)

remove(32)

↳ pivot x  
twice



# Fixing the tree





## Algorithm to remove

- Remove as in BST
- Track lower node that was removed.
- Travel up tree, searching for unbalanced nodes (+ fixing) until you reach the root.

## Performance

For insert & delete, follow root to leaf path at most 3 times:

- find
- next in inorder (for remove)
- travel back up tree balancing

At each node:  $O(1)$  time:  $\leq 2$  pivots  
& bunch of checks/updates

How large is root to leaf path?

Total time:  $O(\log n)$   $\rightarrow 2 \cdot \log_2 n$