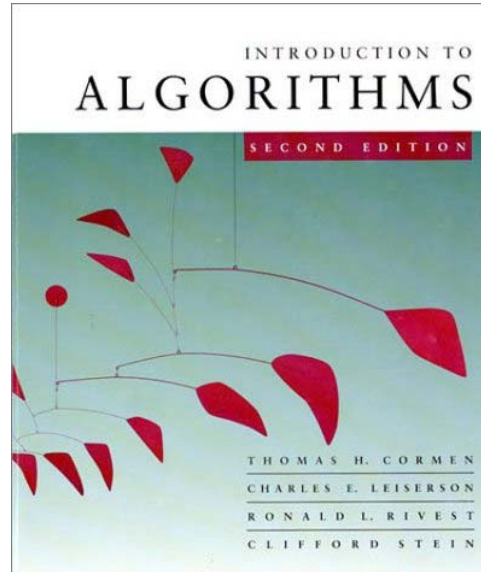


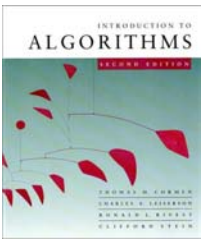
# CS 5633 -- Spring 2008



## *Red-black trees*

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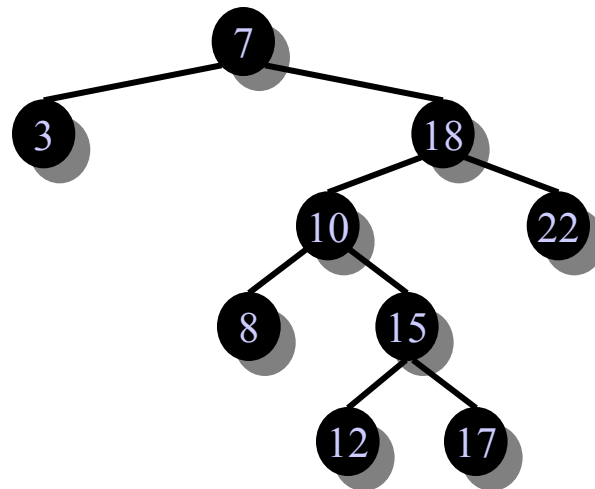


# Search Trees

- A binary search tree is a binary tree. Each node stores a key. The tree fulfills the **binary search tree property**:

For every node  $x$  holds:

- $y \leq x$ , for all  $y$  in the subtree left of  $x$
- $x < y$ , for all  $y$  in the subtree right of  $x$

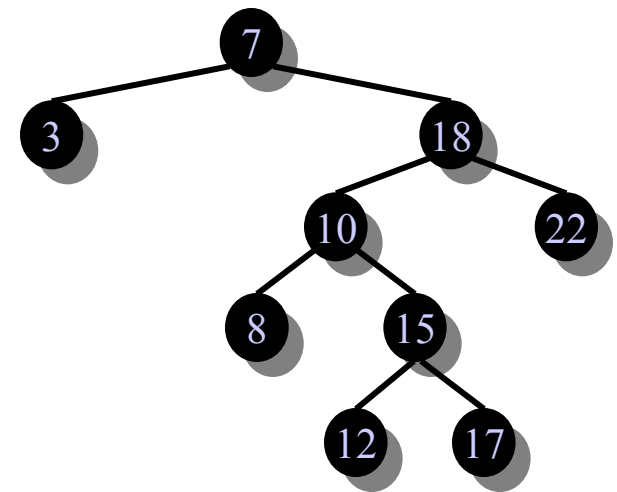




# Search Trees

Different variants of search trees:

- Balanced search trees (guarantee height of  $\log n$  for  $n$  elements)
- $k$ -ary search trees (such as B-trees, 2-3-4-trees)
- Search trees that store the keys only in the leaves, and store additional split-values in the internal nodes



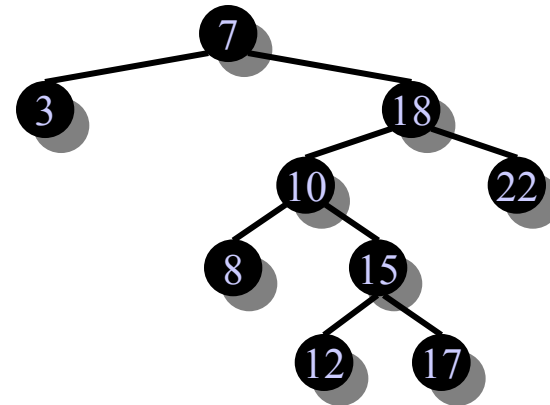


# ADT Dictionary / Dynamic Set

**Abstract data type (ADT) Dictionary**  
(also called **Dynamic Set**):

A data structure which supports operations

- Insert
- Delete
- Find



Using **balanced binary search trees** we can implement a dictionary data structure such that each operation takes  $O(\log n)$  time.



# Balanced search trees

***Balanced search tree:*** A search-tree data structure for which a height of  $O(\log n)$  is guaranteed when implementing a dynamic set of  $n$  items.

## **Examples:**

- AVL trees
- 2-3 trees
- 2-3-4 trees
- B-trees
- Red-black trees

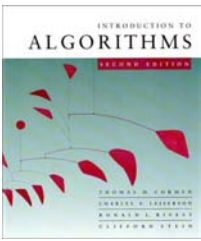


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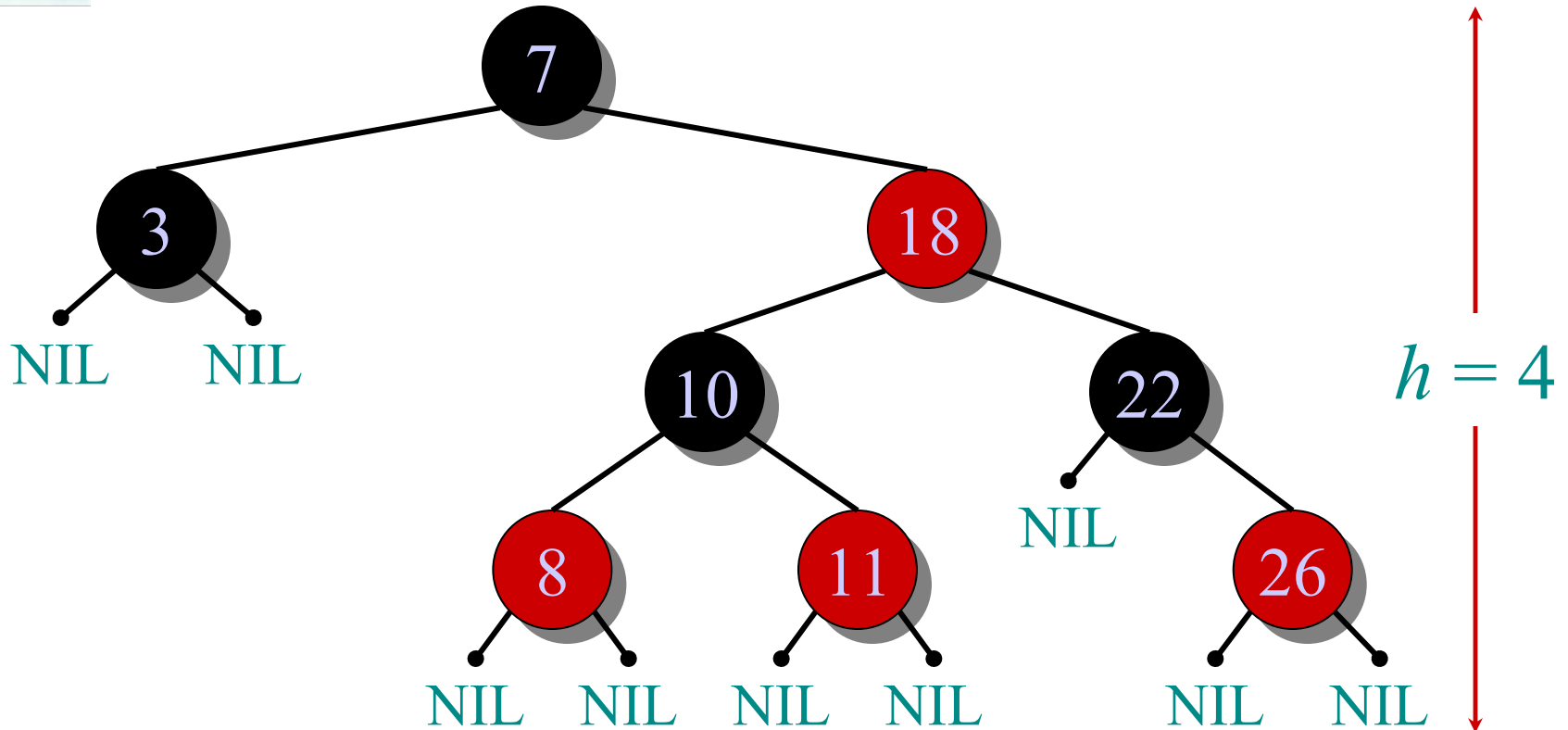
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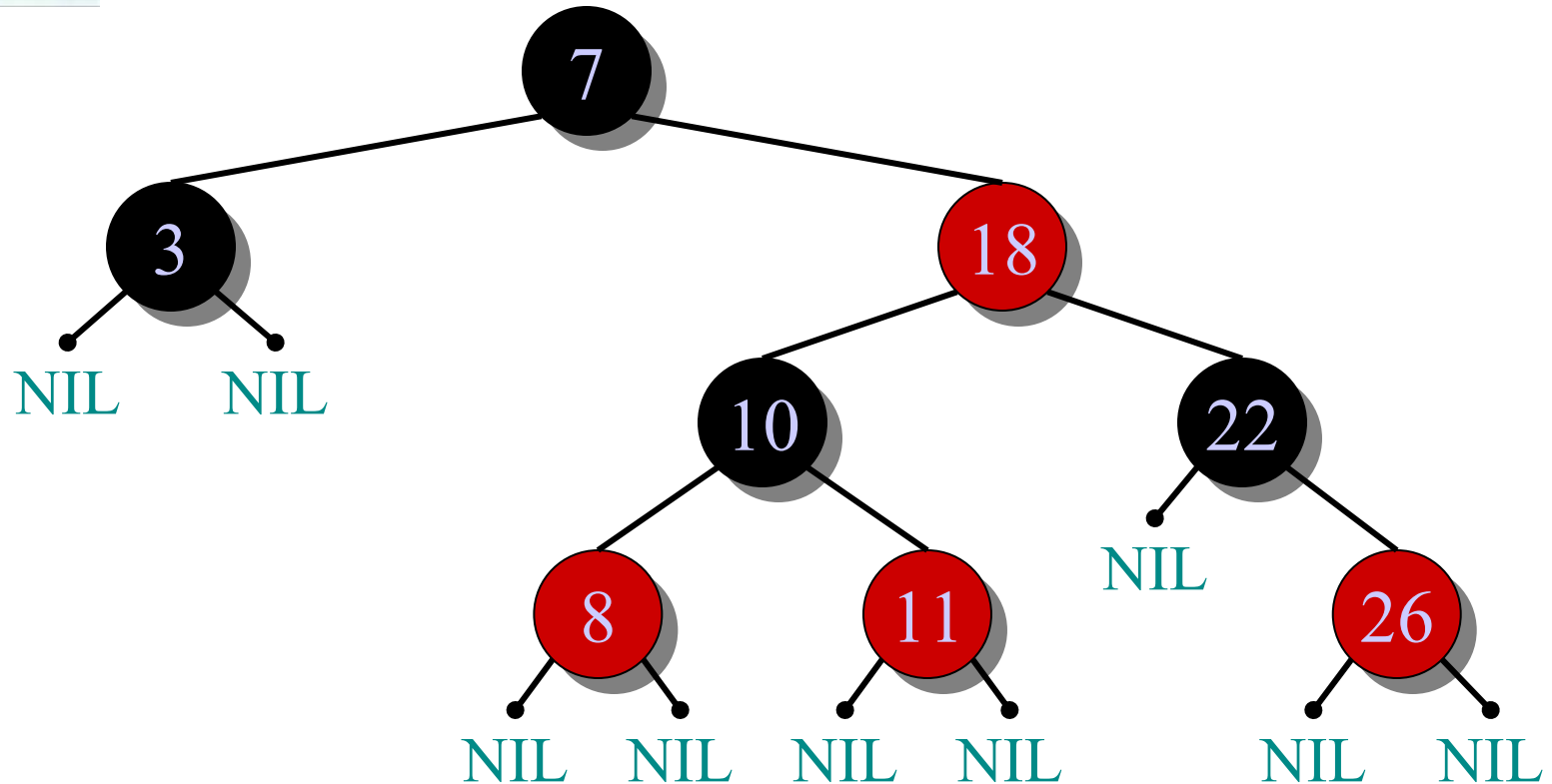


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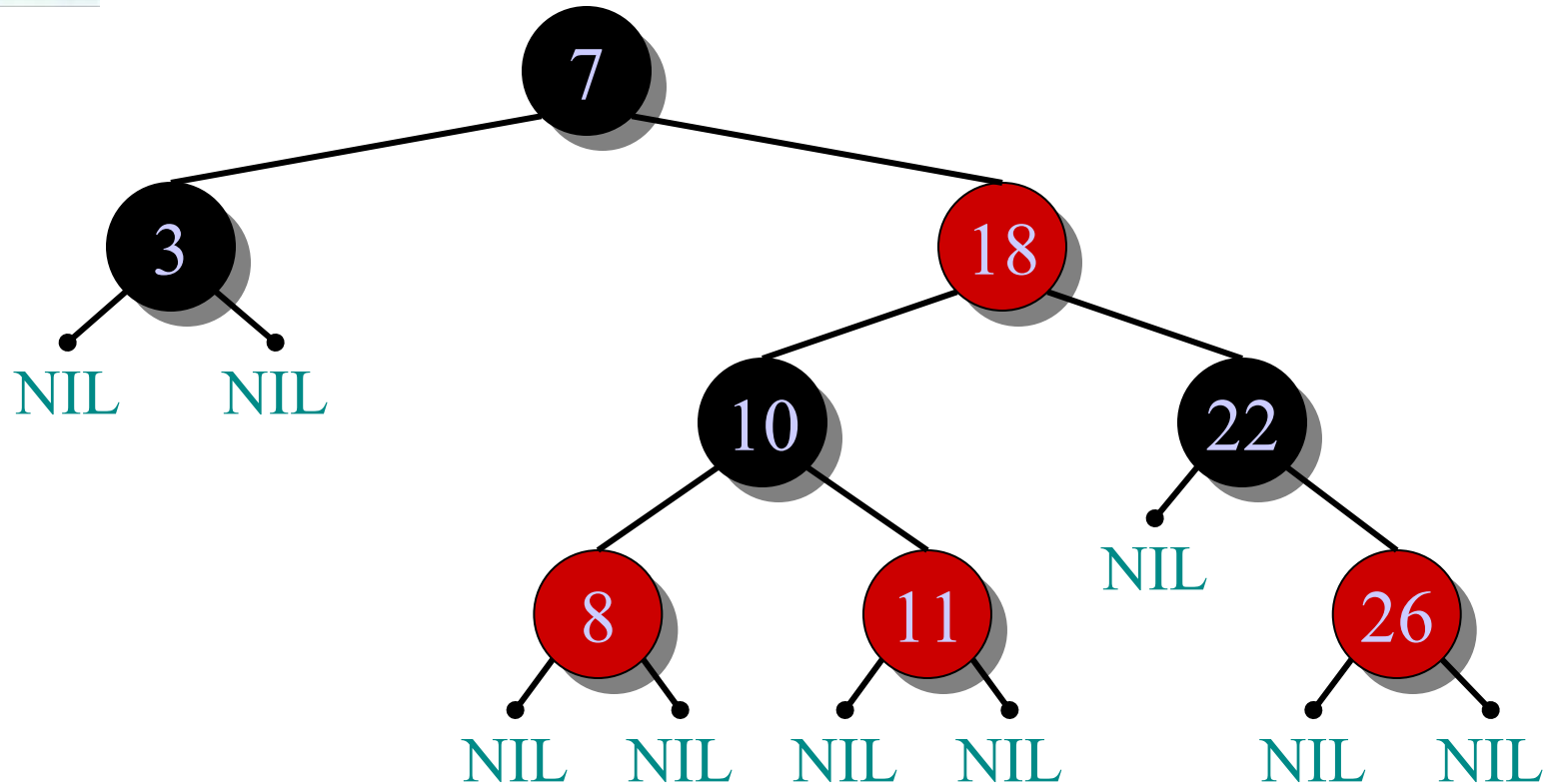


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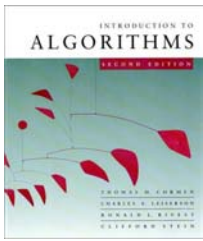




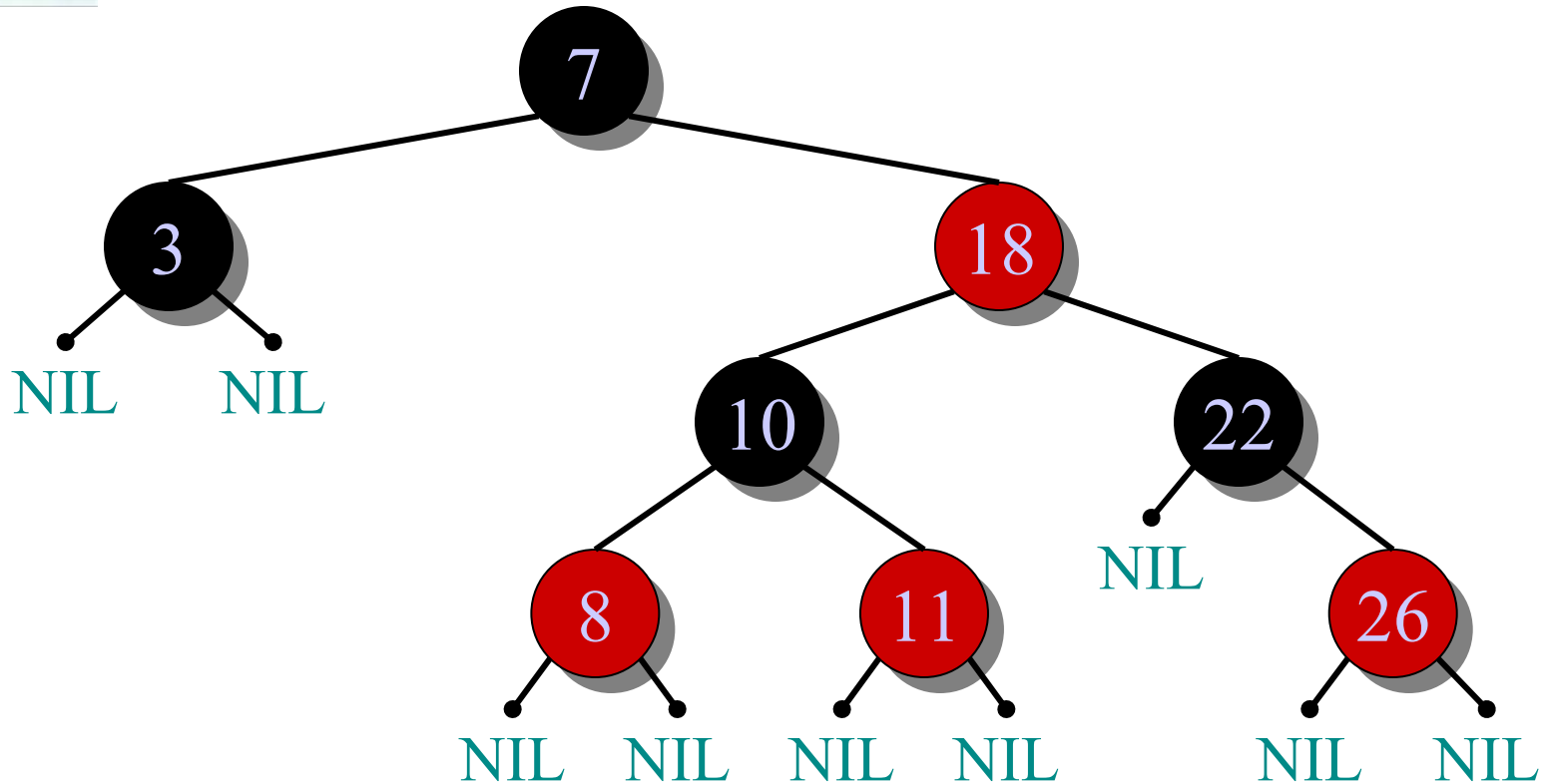
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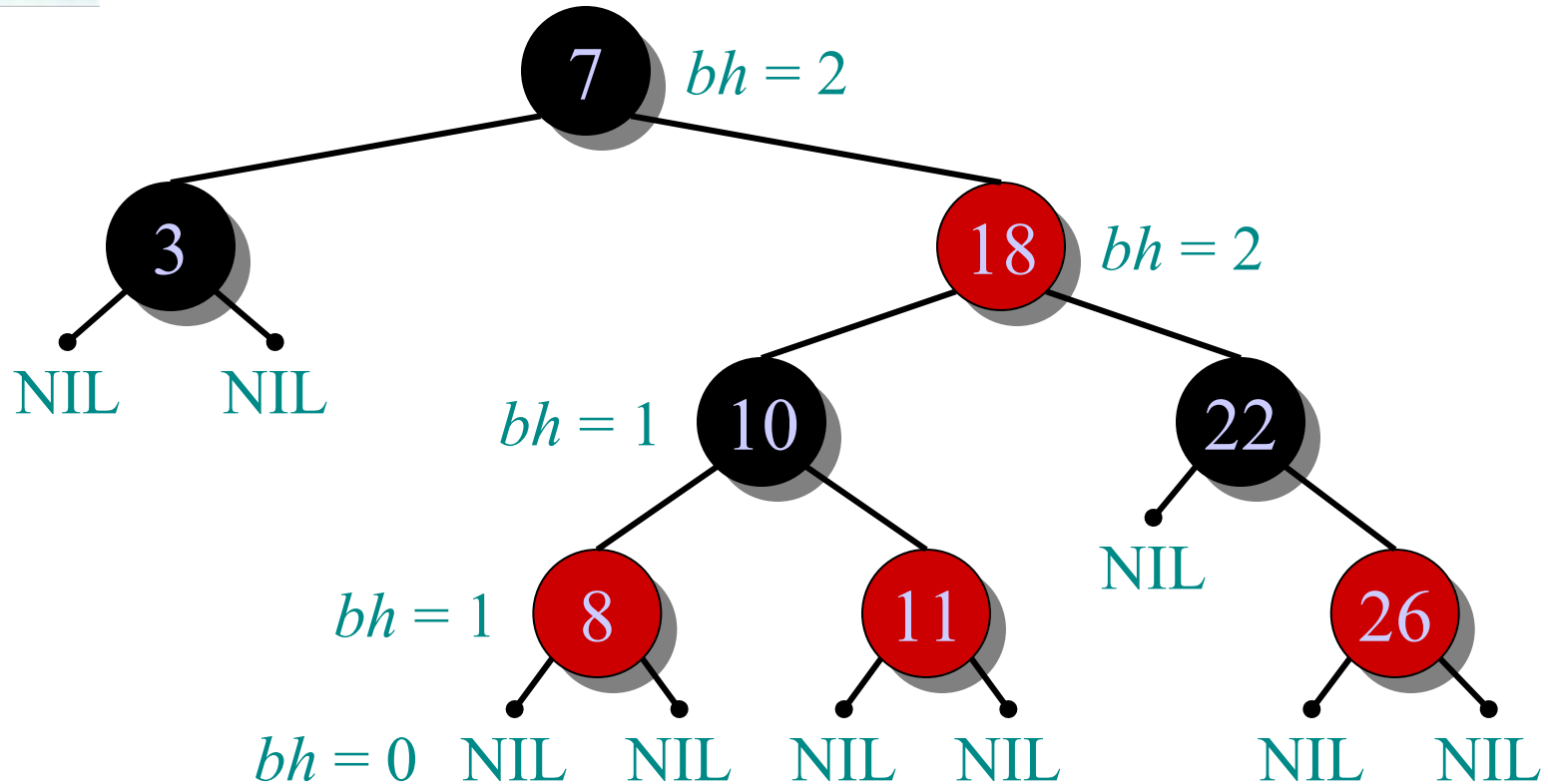


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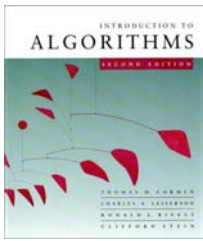


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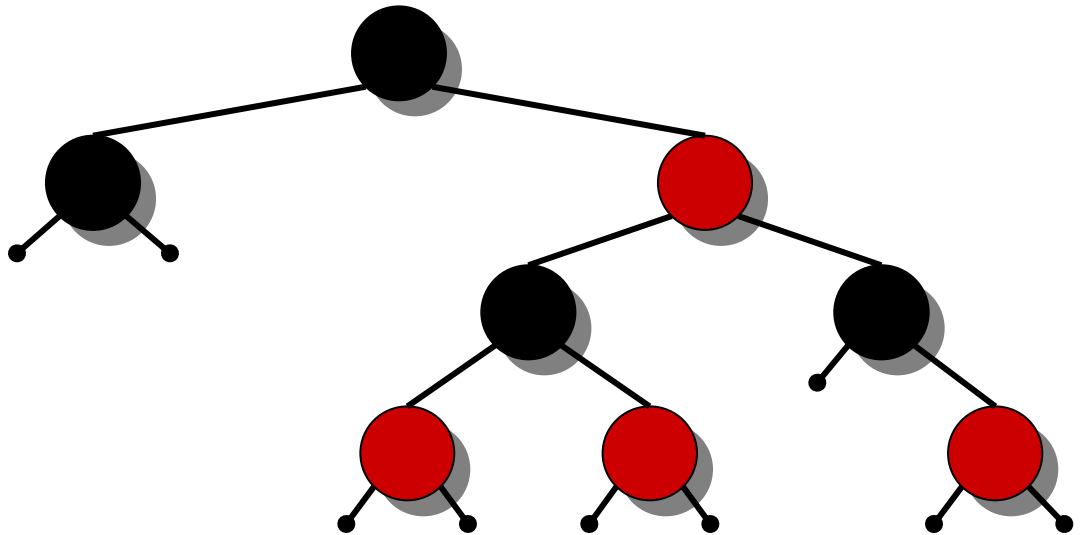
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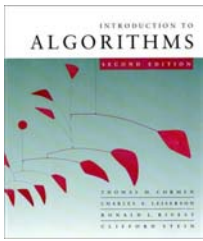
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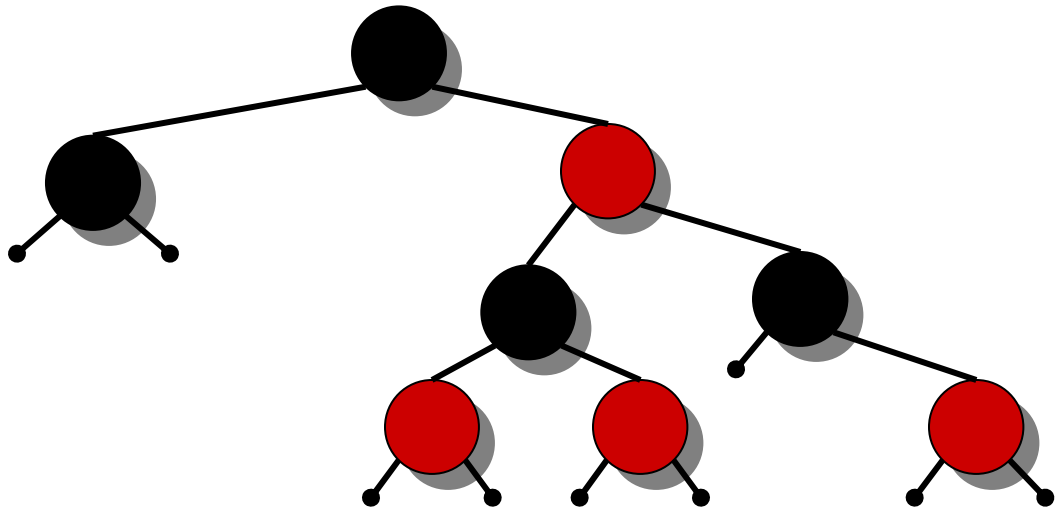
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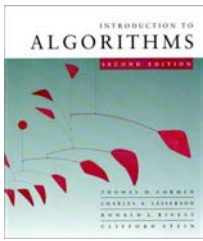
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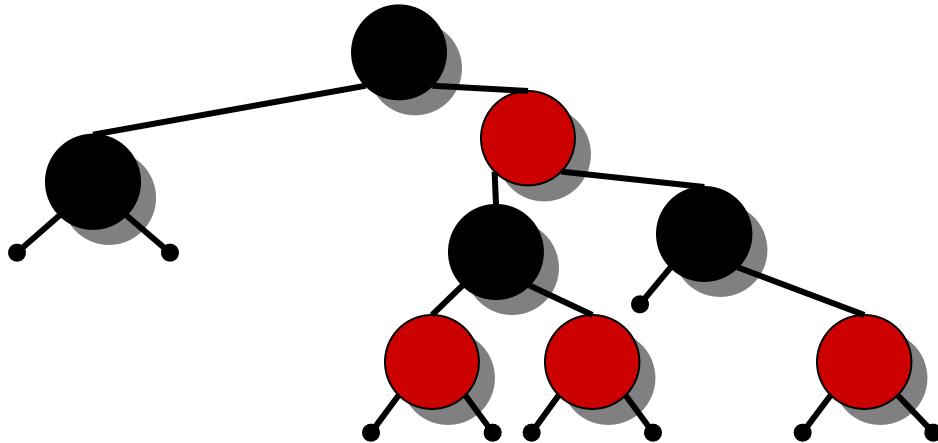
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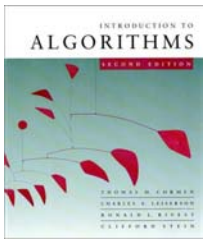
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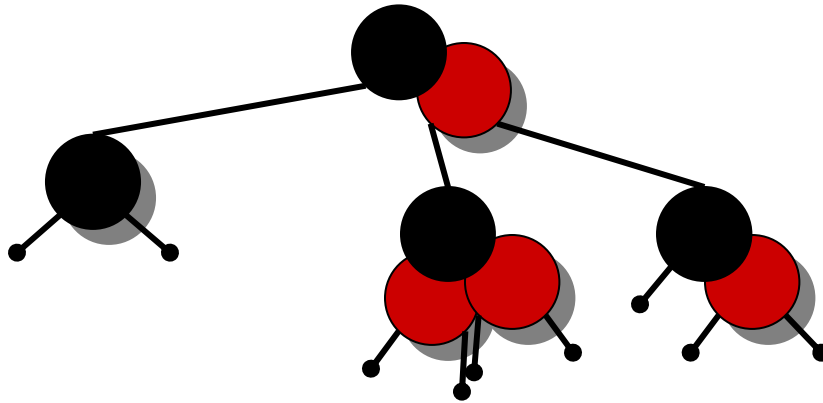
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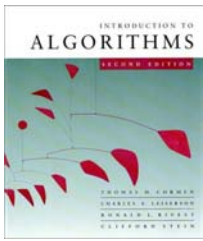
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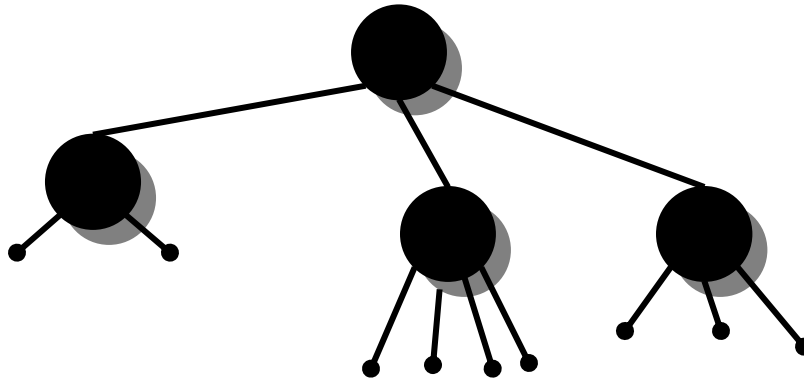
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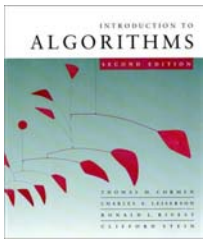
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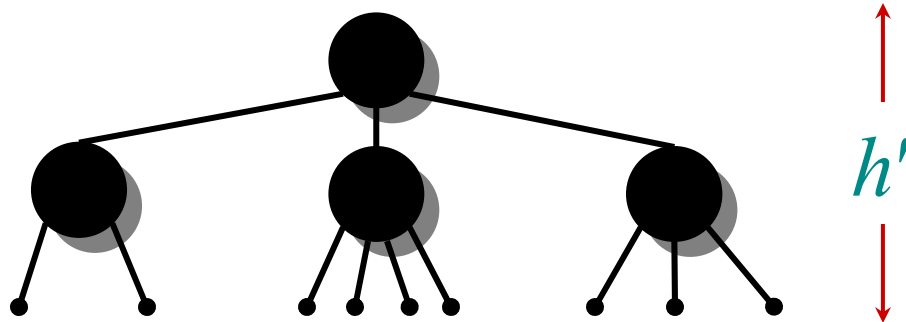
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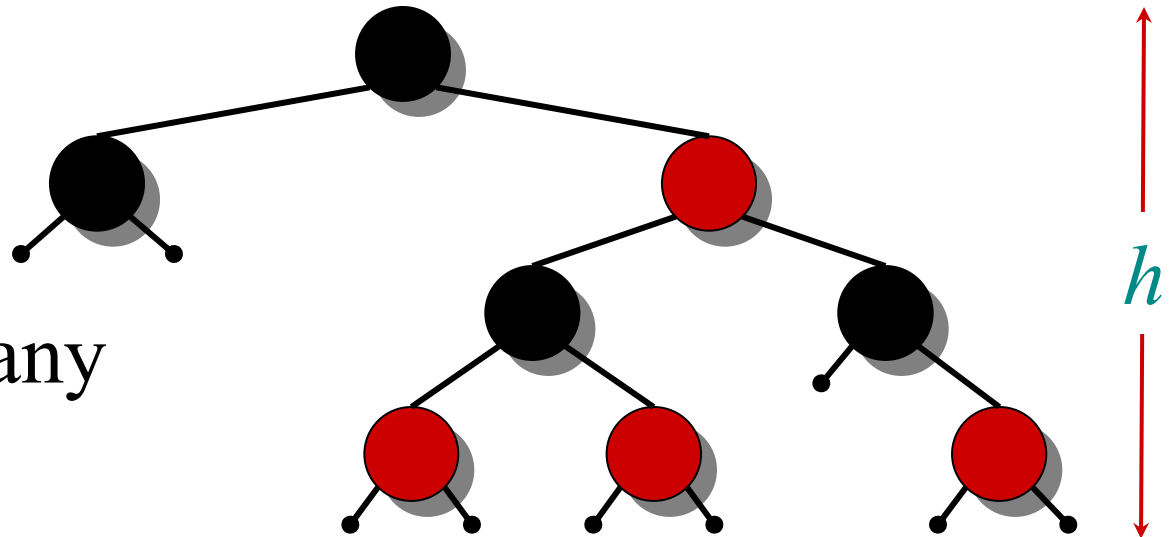
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- This process produces a tree in which each node has 2, 3, or 4 children.
- The 2-3-4 tree has uniform depth  $h'$  of leaves.

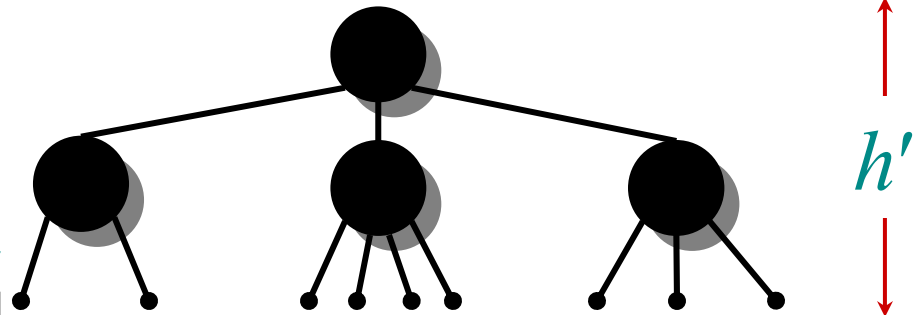


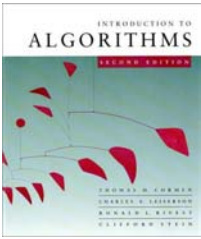
# Proof (continued)

- We have  $h' \geq h/2$ , since at most half the vertices on any path are red.



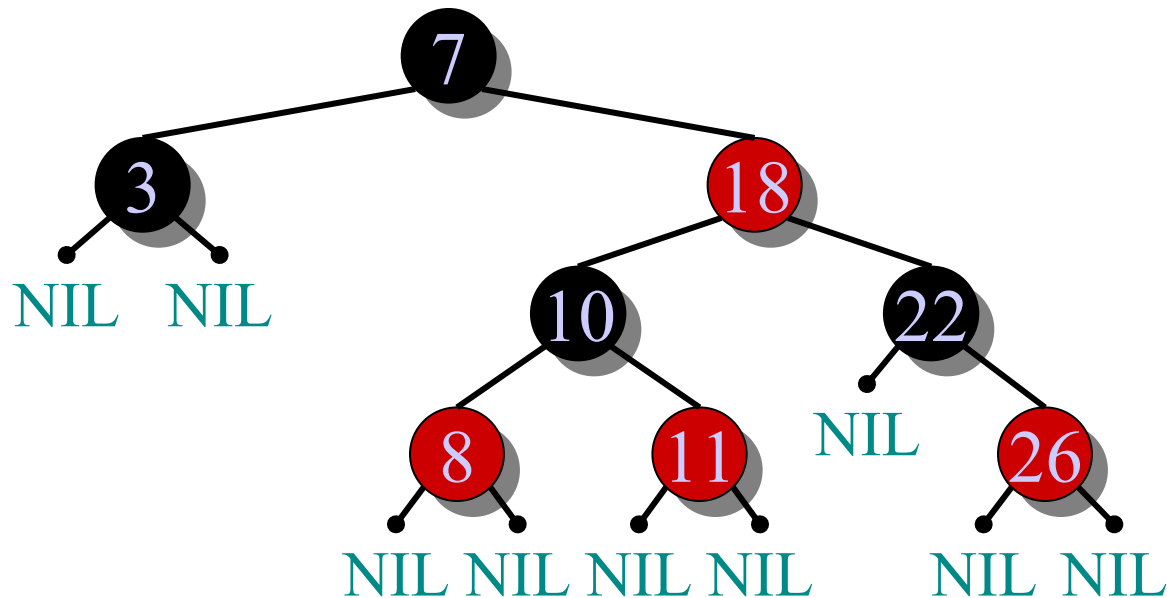
- The number of leaves in each tree is  $n + 1$ 
  - $\Rightarrow n + 1 \geq 2^{h'}$
  - $\Rightarrow \log(n + 1) \geq h' \geq h/2$
  - $\Rightarrow h \leq 2 \log(n + 1)$ . □





# Query operations

**Corollary.** The queries SEARCH, MIN, MAX, SUCCESSOR, and PREDECESSOR all run in  $O(\log n)$  time on a red-black tree with  $n$  nodes.





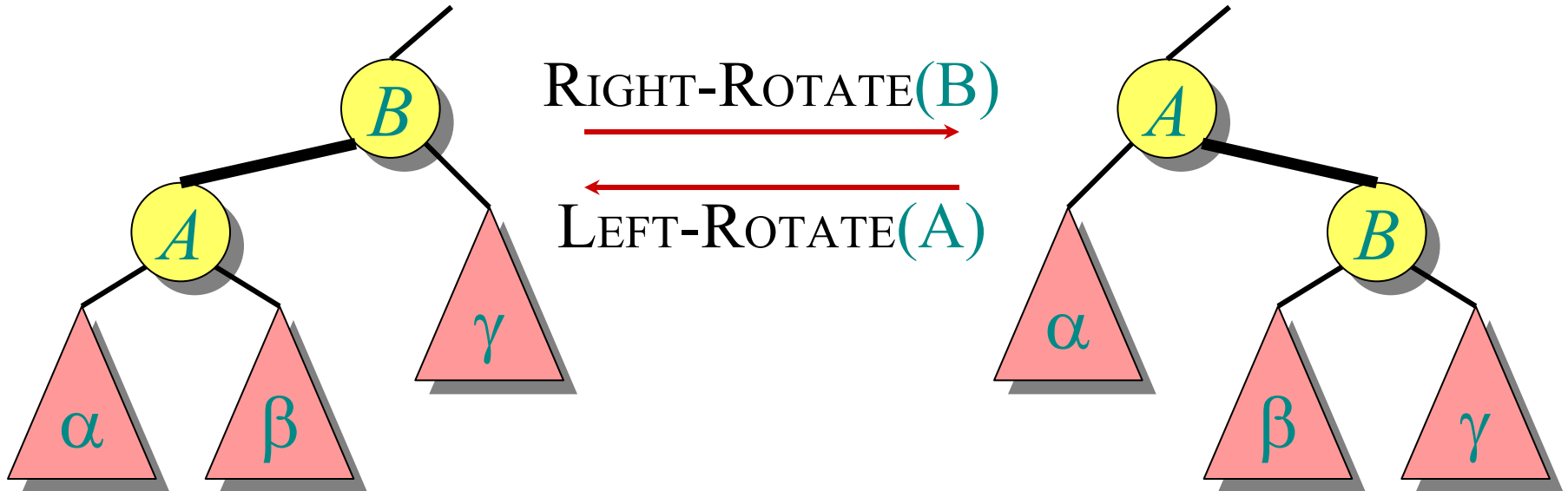
# Modifying operations

The operations INSERT and DELETE cause modifications to the red-black tree:

1. the operation itself,
2. color changes,
3. restructuring the links of the tree via *“rotations”*.



# Rotations



- Rotations maintain the inorder ordering of keys:  
 $a \in \alpha, b \in \beta, c \in \gamma \Rightarrow a \leq A \leq b \leq B \leq c.$
- Rotations maintain the binary search tree property
- A rotation can be performed in  $O(1)$  time.



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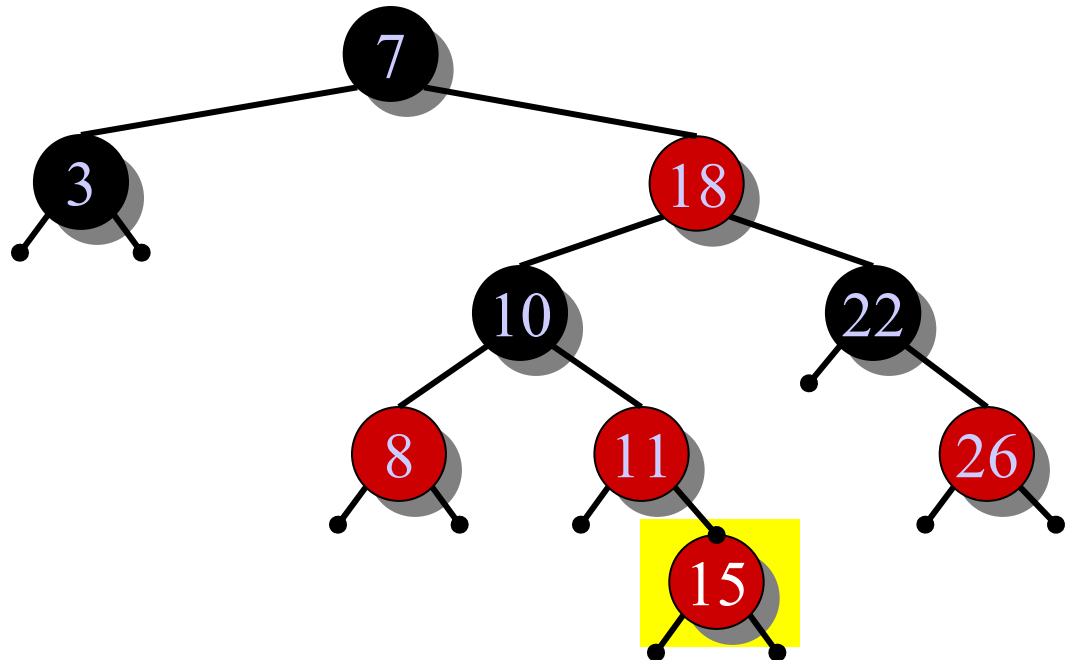


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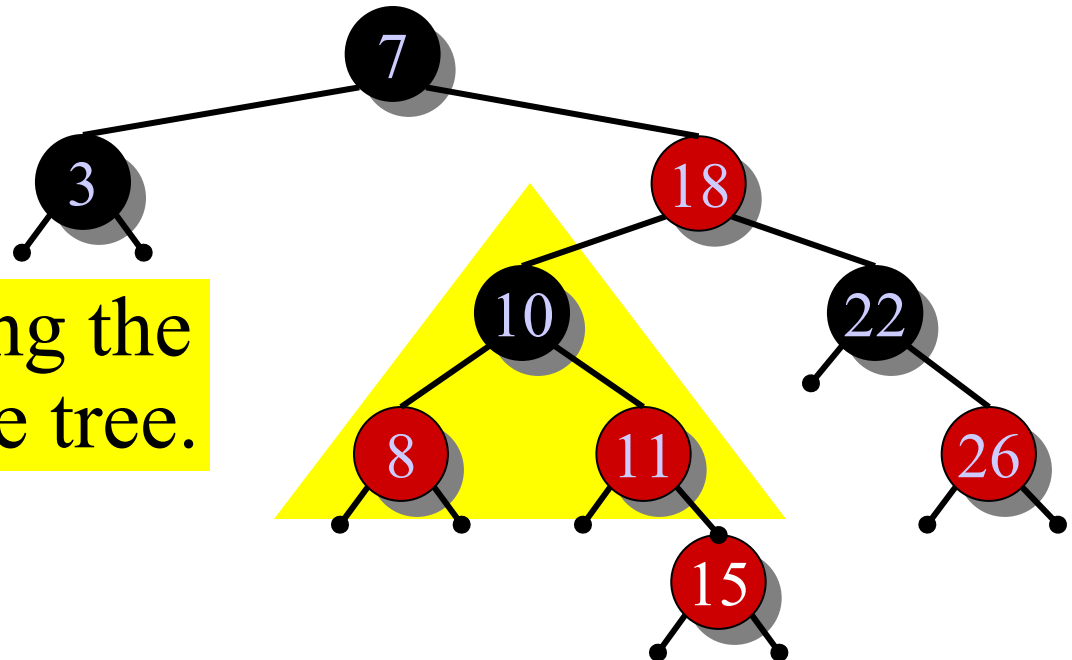


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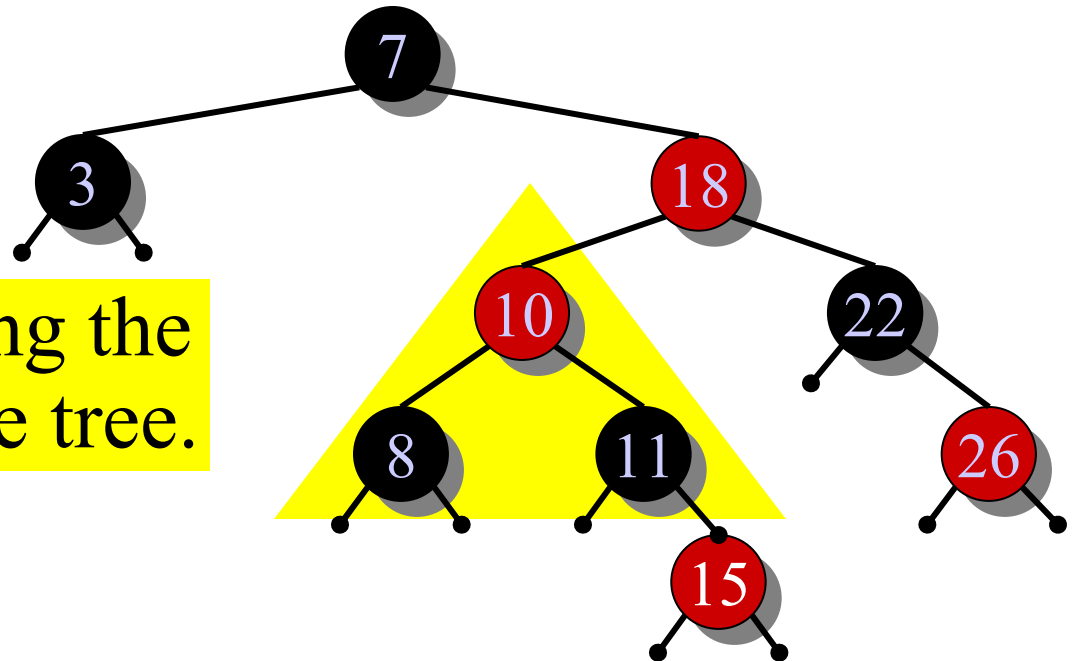


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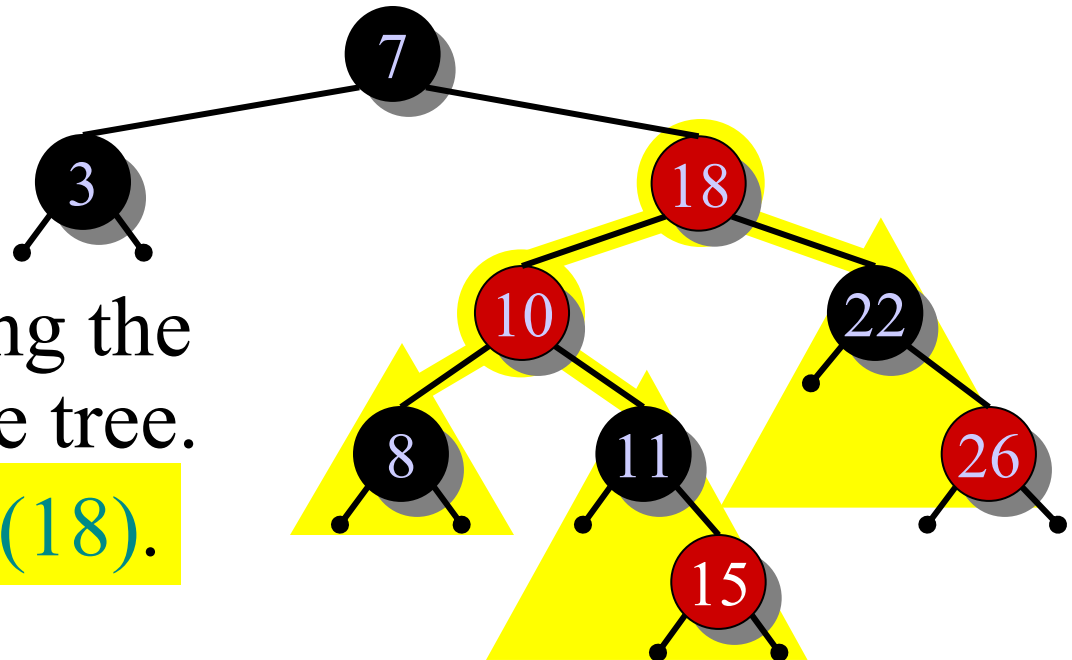


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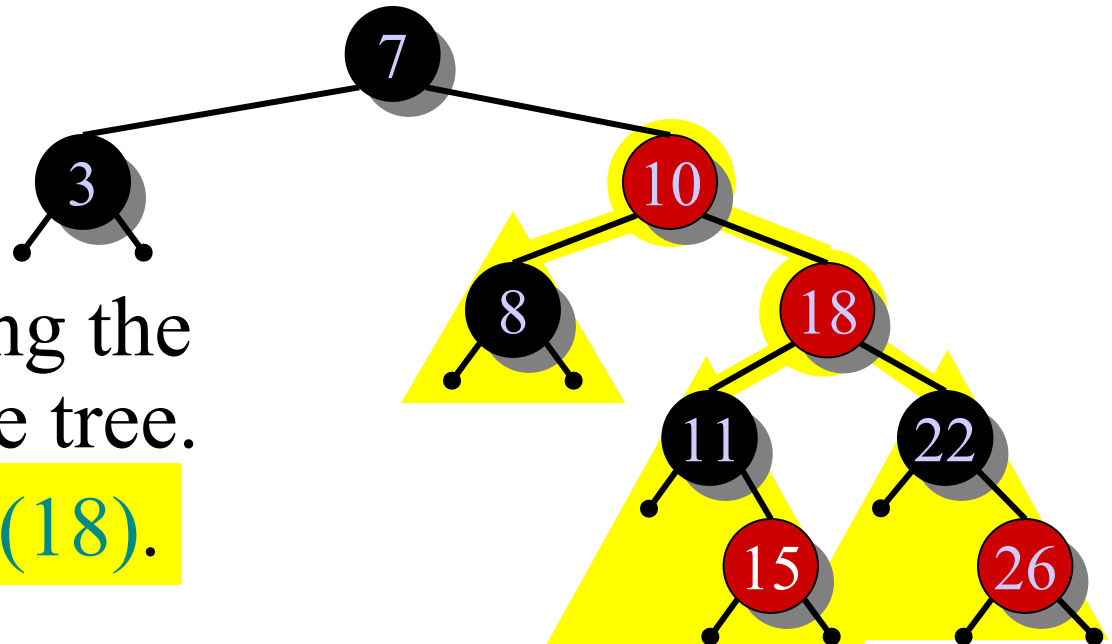


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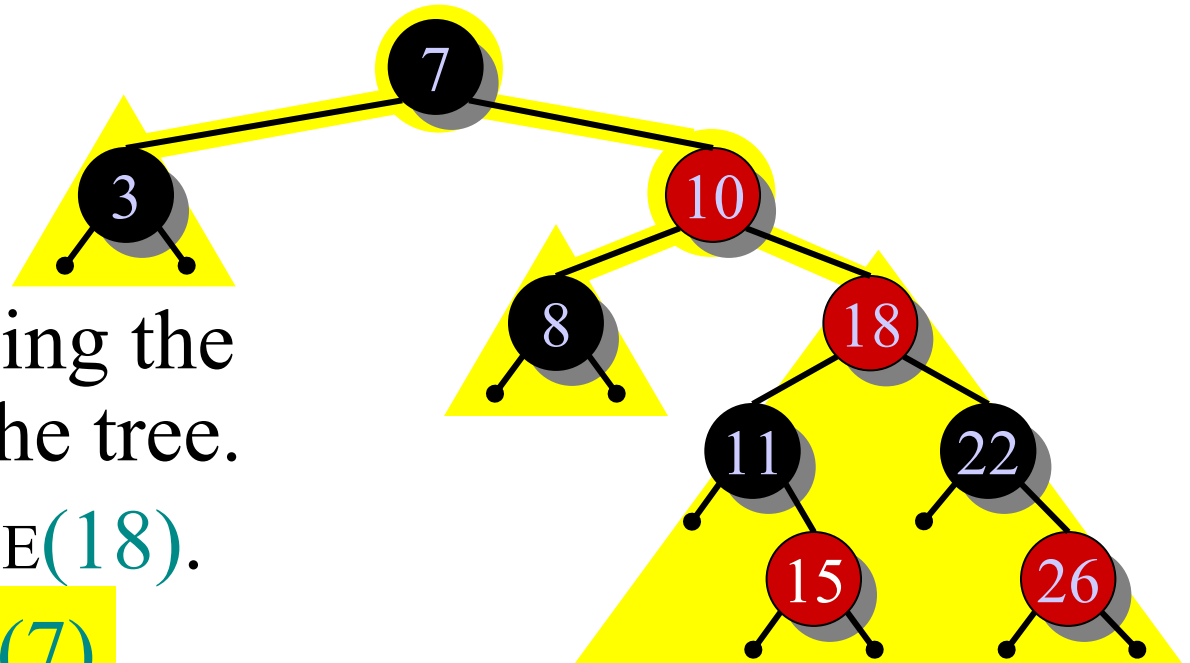


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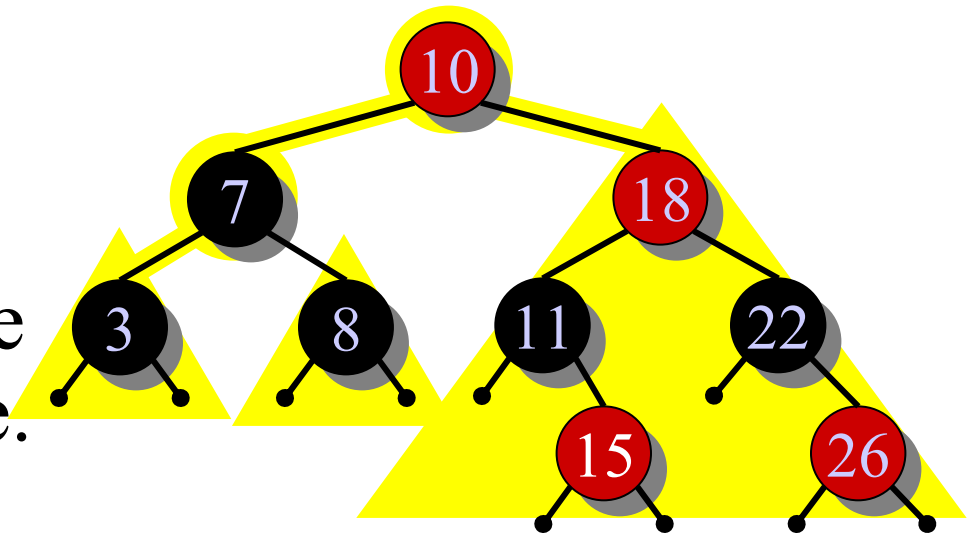


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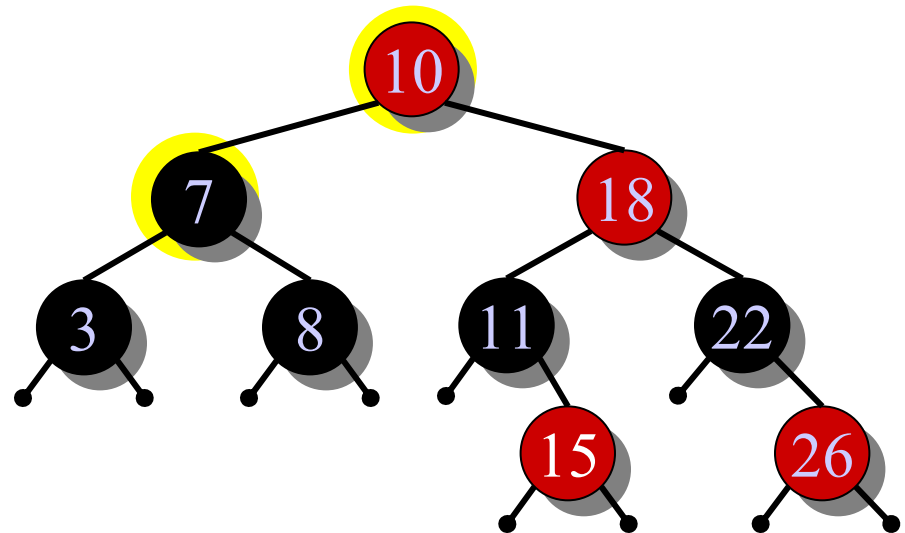


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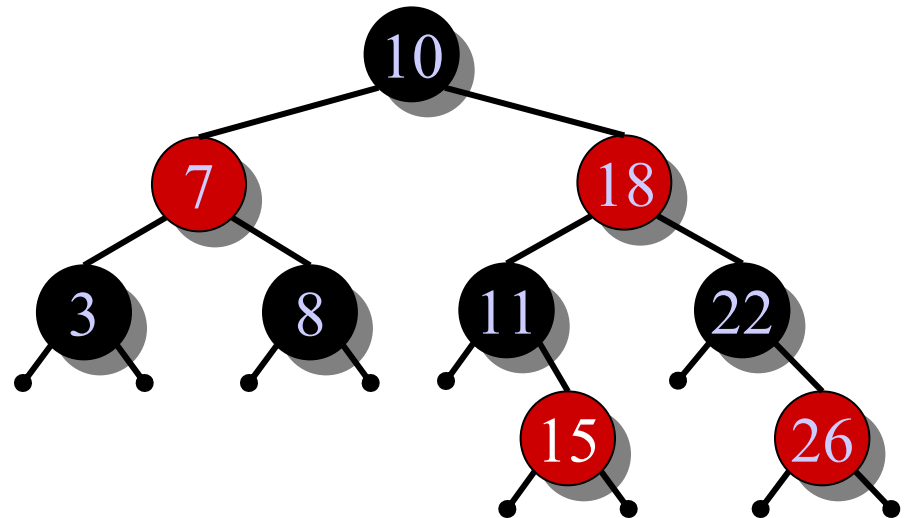


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# Pseudocode

RB-INSERT( $T, x$ )

  TREE-INSERT( $T, x$ )

$color[x] \leftarrow \text{RED}$    ▷ only RB property 4 can be violated

**while**  $x \neq root[T]$  and  $color[p[x]] = \text{RED}$

**do if**  $p[x] = left[p[p[x]]]$

**then**  $y \leftarrow right[p[p[x]]]$    ▷  $y =$  aunt/uncle of  $x$

**if**  $color[y] = \text{RED}$

**then** **⟨Case 1⟩**

**else if**  $x = right[p[x]]$

**then** **⟨Case 2⟩**   ▷ Case 2 falls into Case 3

**⟨Case 3⟩**

**else** **⟨“then” clause with “left” and “right” swapped⟩**

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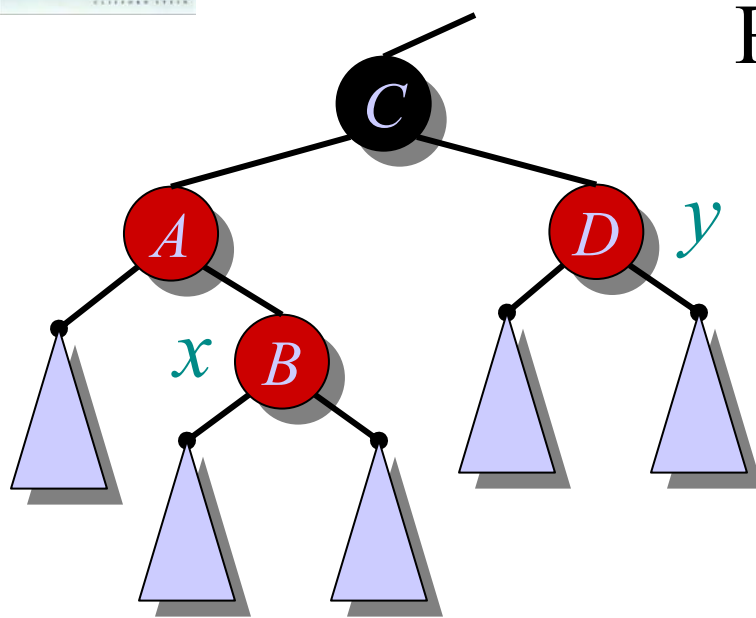
# Graphical notation

Let  denote a subtree with a black root.

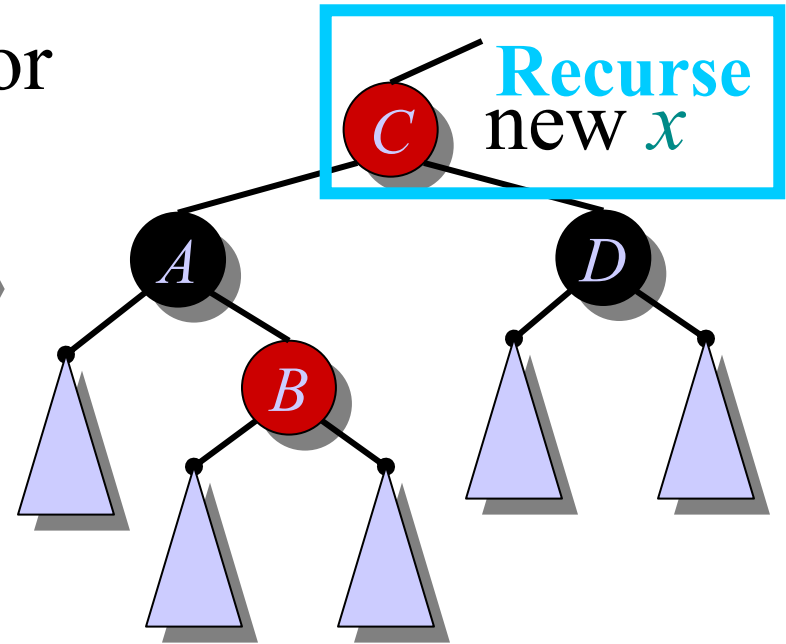
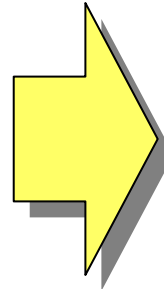
All 's have the same black-height.



# Case 1



Recolor



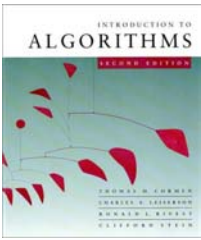
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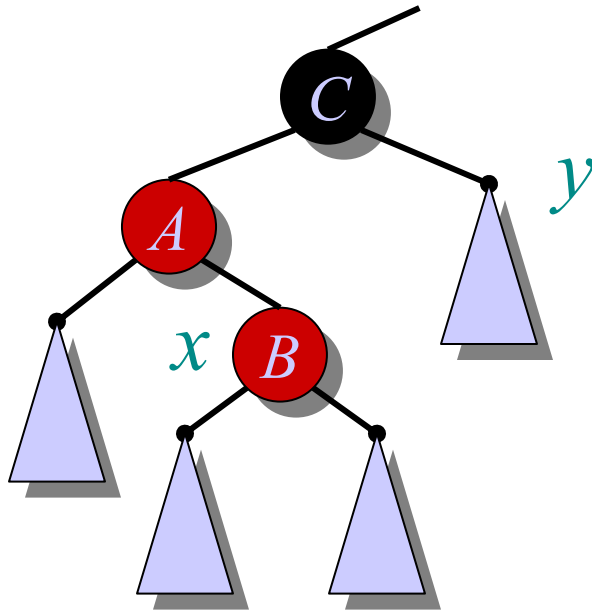
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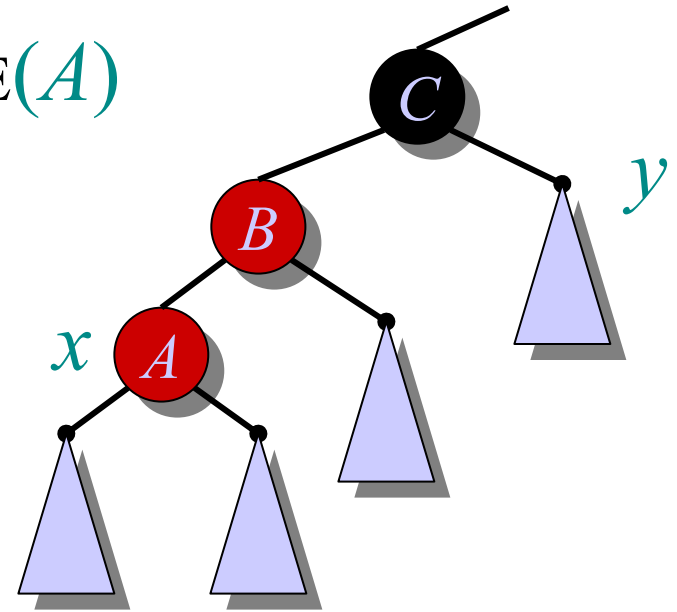
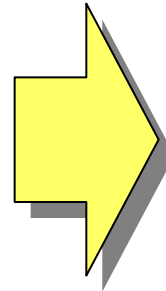
Push  $C$ 's black onto  $A$  and  $D$ , and recurse, since  $C$ 's parent may be red.



# Case 2

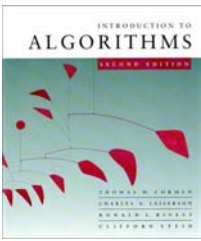


LEFT-ROTATE(*A*)

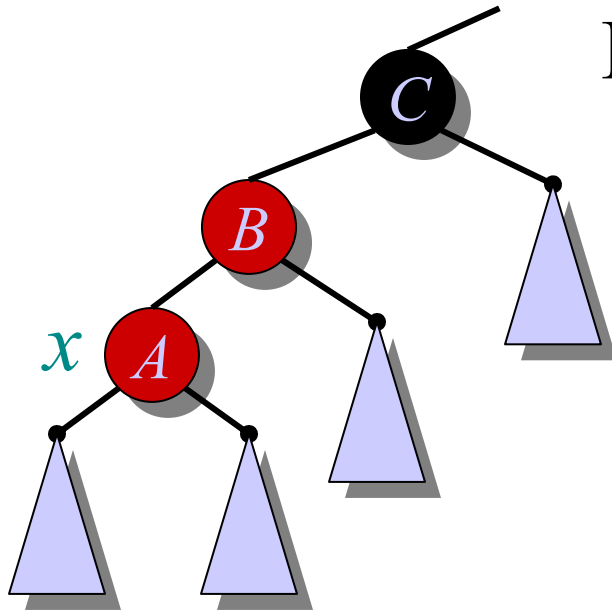


$p[x] = \text{left}[p[p[x]]]$   
 $y = \text{right}[p[p[x]]]$   
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 $x = \text{right}[p[x]]$

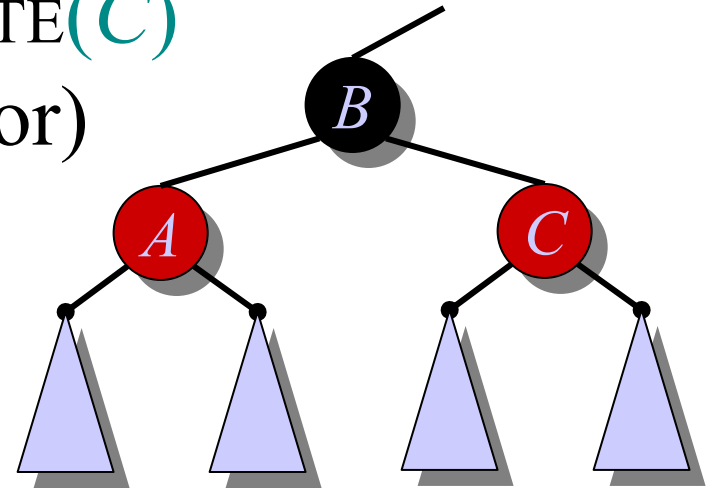
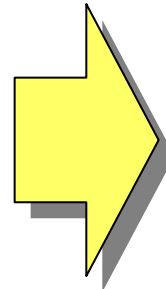
Transform to Case 3.



# Case 3



RIGHT-ROTATE(*C*)  
*y* (and recolor)



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Done! No more violations of RB property 4 are possible.



# Analysis

- Go up the tree performing Case 1, which only recolors nodes.
- If Case 2 or Case 3 occurs, perform 1 or 2 rotations, and terminate.

**Running time:**  $O(\log n)$  with  $O(1)$  rotations.

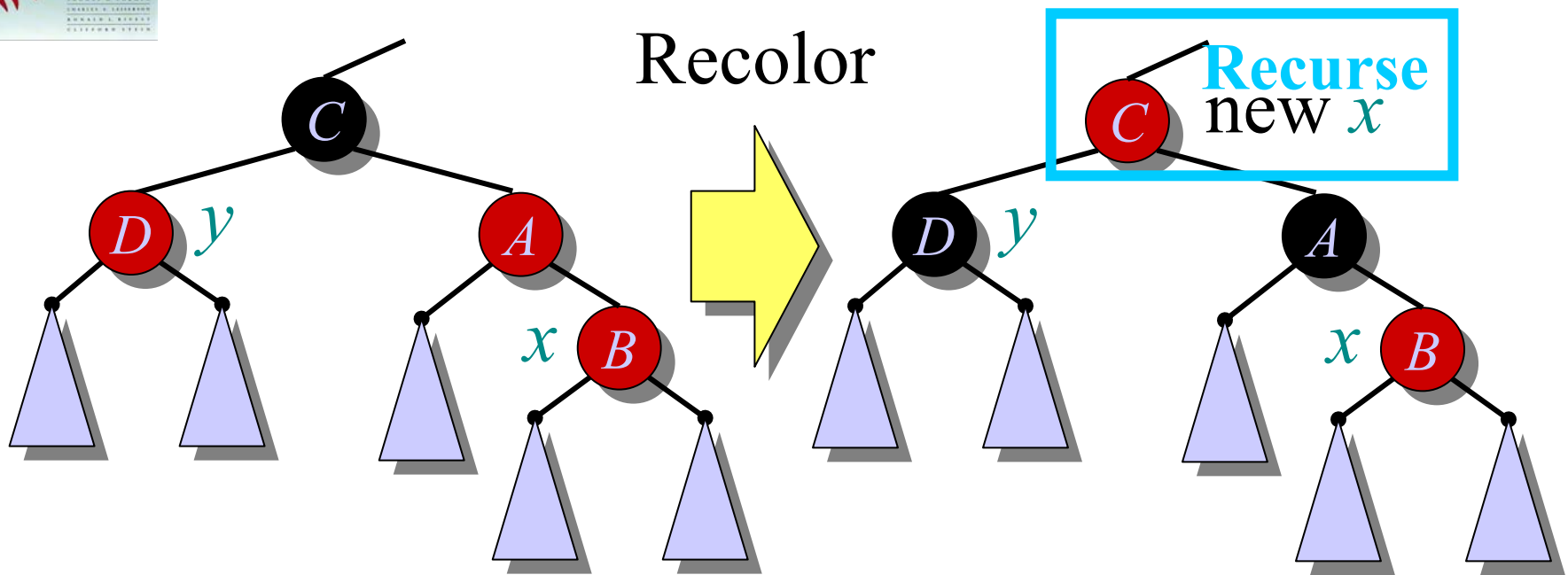
RB-DELETE — same asymptotic running time and number of rotations as RB-INSERT (see textbook).



# Pseudocode (part II)

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else ⟨“then” clause with “left” and “right” swapped⟩
▷  $p[x] = \text{right}[p[p[x]]]$ 
then  $y \leftarrow \text{left}[p[p[x]]]$            ▷  $y = \text{aunt/uncle of } x$ 
    if  $\text{color}[y] = \text{RED}$ 
    then ⟨Case 1'⟩
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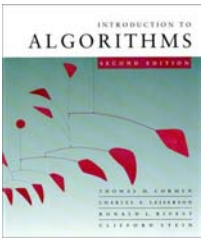
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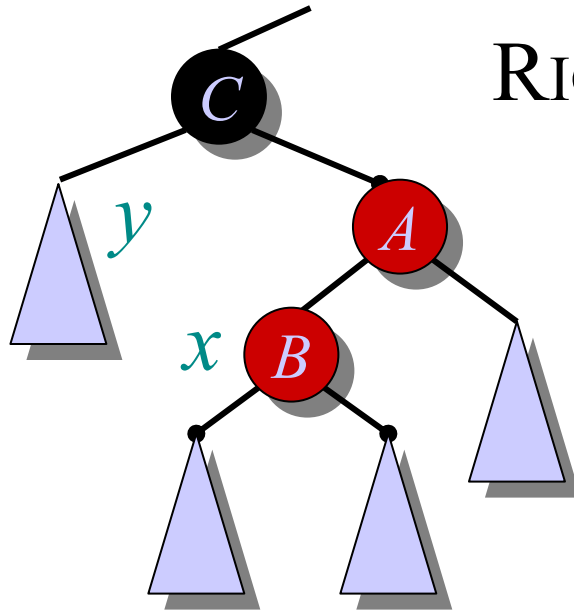
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$$\text{color}[y] = \text{RED}$$

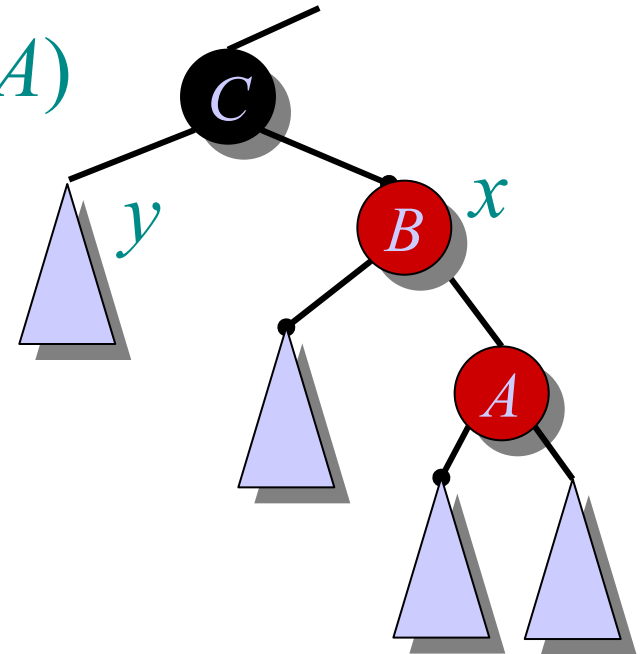
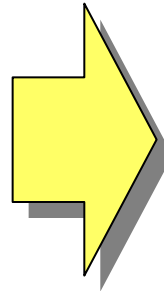
Push  $C$ 's black onto  $A$  and  $D$ , and recurse, since  $C$ 's parent may be red.



# Case 2'



RIGHT-ROTATE(*A*)



$p[x] = \text{right}[p[p[x]]]$

$y = \text{left}[p[p[x]]]$

$\text{color}[y] = \text{BLACK}$

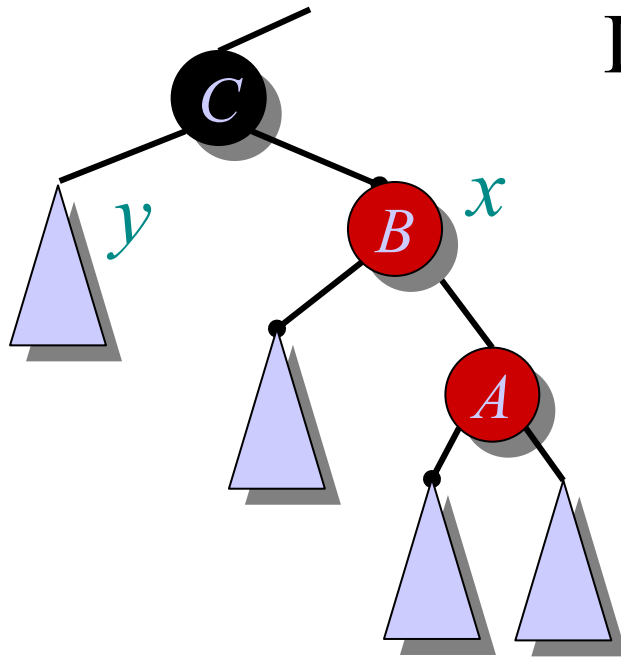
$x = \text{left}[p[x]]$

Transform to Case 3'.

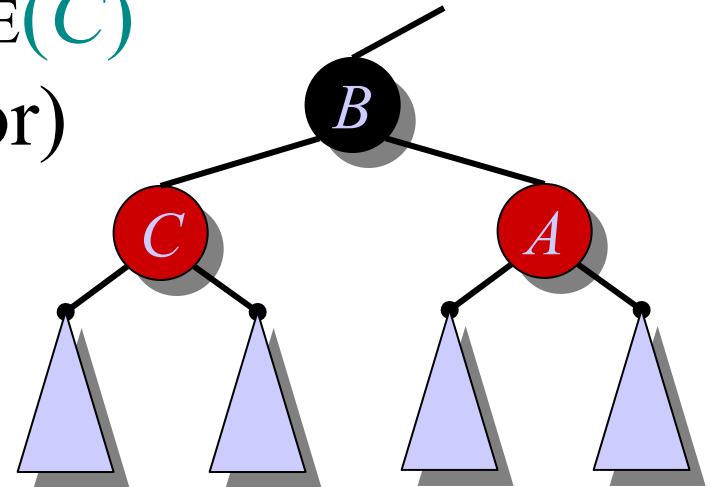
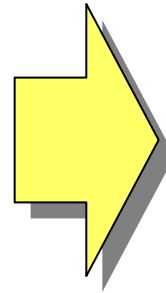




# Case 3'



LEFT-ROTATE(*C*)  
(and recolor)



$p[x] = \text{right}[p[p[x]]]$

$y = \text{left}[p[p[x]]]$

$\text{color}[y] = \text{BLACK}$

$x = \text{right}[p[x]]$

Done! No more violations of RB property 4 are possible.