

# VE281

Data Structures and Algorithms

## Red-black Trees

# Announcement

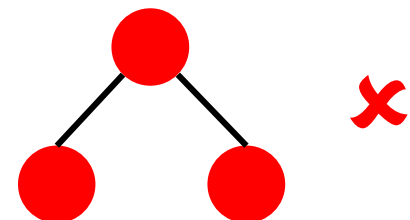
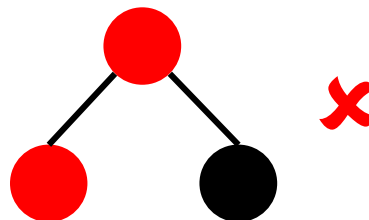
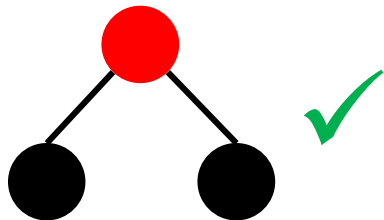
- Will have a make-up lecture this Friday 2:00 – 3:40 pm
  - Classroom: East Middle Hall 2-101

# Outline

- Red-black Trees: Basics
- Red-black Trees: Insertion

# Red-Black Tree

- A binary search tree. The data structure requires an extra one-bit color field in each node.
- Property
  1. Every node is either red or black.
  2. **Root rule**: The root is black.
  3. **Red rule**: Red node can **only have** black children.
    - Can't have two consecutive red nodes on a path.

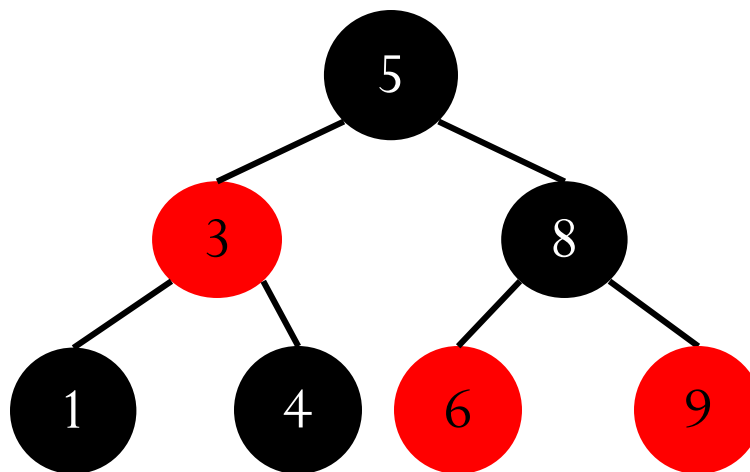


4. **Path rule**: **Every** path from a node  $x$  to NULL must have the **same number** of black nodes (including  $x$  itself).

# Red-Black Tree Example

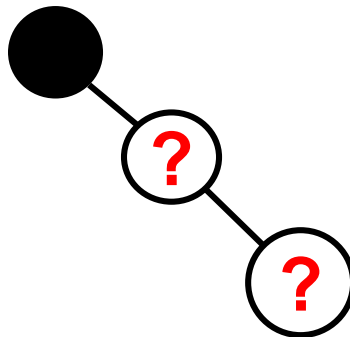
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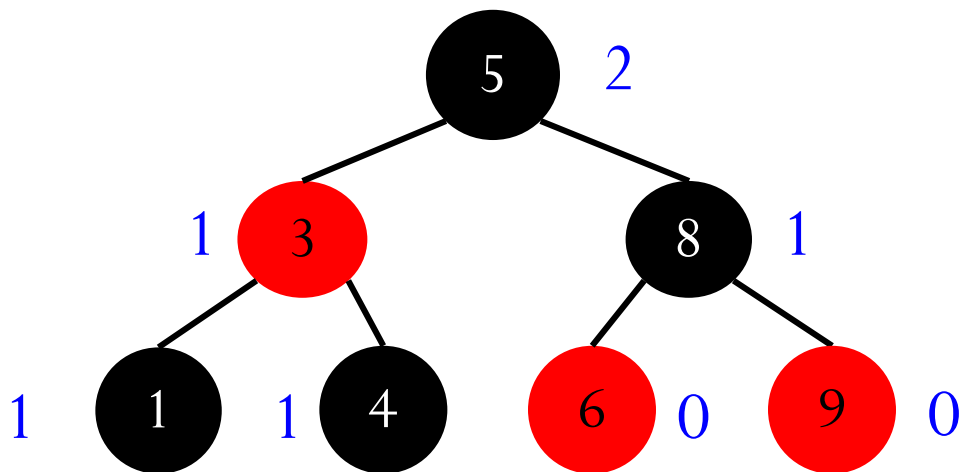
# Counter Example

- Property
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  3. **Red rule**: Red node can **only have** black children.
  4. **Path rule**: **Every** path from a node  $x$  to NULL must have the **same number** of black nodes (including  $x$  itself).
- **Claim**: a chain of length 3 cannot be a red-black tree



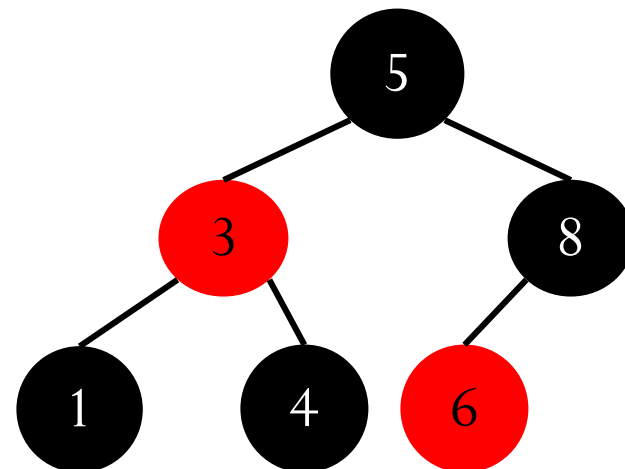
# Black Height

- **Black height** of a node  $x$  is the number of black nodes on the path from  $x$  to NULL, **including**  $x$  itself.



# Implication of the Rules

- If a **red** node has **at least one** child, it must have **two children** and they must be **black**.
  - Why?
    - A red node's child can only be black.
    - If has only one black child, then violate the **path rule**.
- If a black node has **only one** child, that child must be a **red leaf**.
  - Why?
    - Can't be black.
    - Must be a leaf.





# Height Guarantee

- **Claim**: every red-black tree with  $n$  nodes has height  $\leq 2 \log_2(n + 1)$ .
- Proof:
  - In a binary tree with  $n$  nodes, there is a root-NULL path with **at most**  $\log_2(n + 1)$  nodes. (why?)
    - **Thus**: # black nodes on that path  $\leq \log_2(n + 1)$ .
  - By **path rule**: every root-NULL path has  $\leq \log_2(n + 1)$  **black nodes**.
  - By **red rule**: every root-NULL path has  $\leq 2 \log_2(n + 1)$  **total nodes**.

Q.E.D.

# Operations on Red-Black Trees

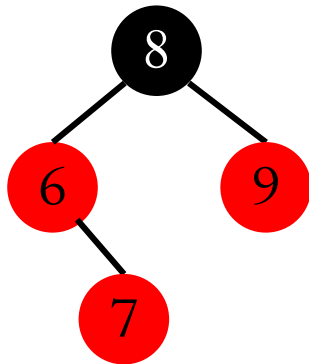
- All **query operations** (e.g., search, min, max, succ, pred) work just like those on general BST.
  - They run in  $O(\log n)$  time on a red-black trees with  $n$  nodes in the **worst case**.
- The **modifying** operations “insertion” and “removal” must maintain the red-black tree properties.
  - They are complex.

# Outline

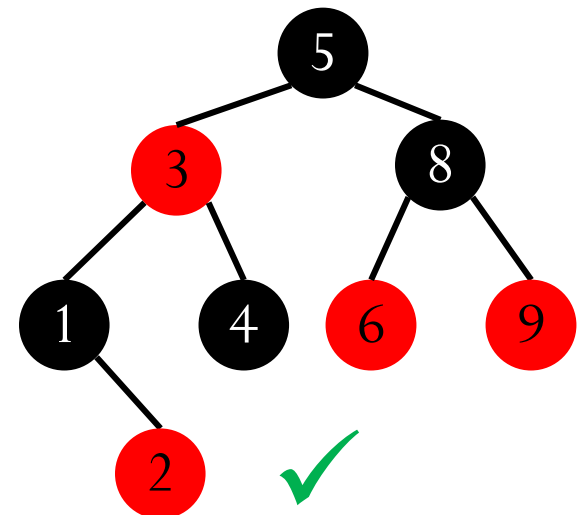
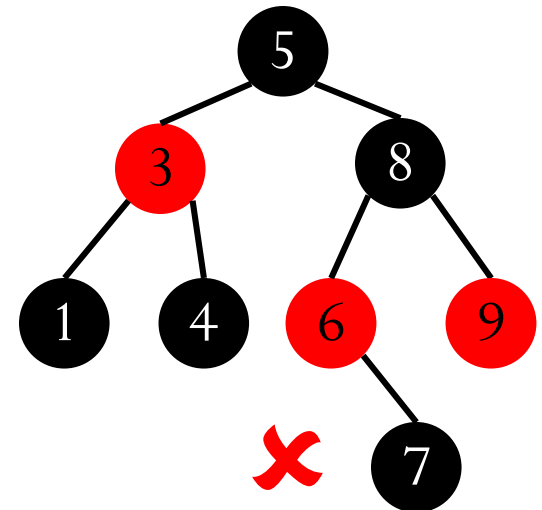
- Red-black Trees: Basics
- Red-black Trees: Insertion

# Insertion

- New node is always a **leaf**.
  - However, it can't be **black**!
    - Otherwise, violate path rule.
  - Therefore the new leaf must be **red**.
- If parent is black, done (trivial case).
- If parent is red, violate the **red rule**!

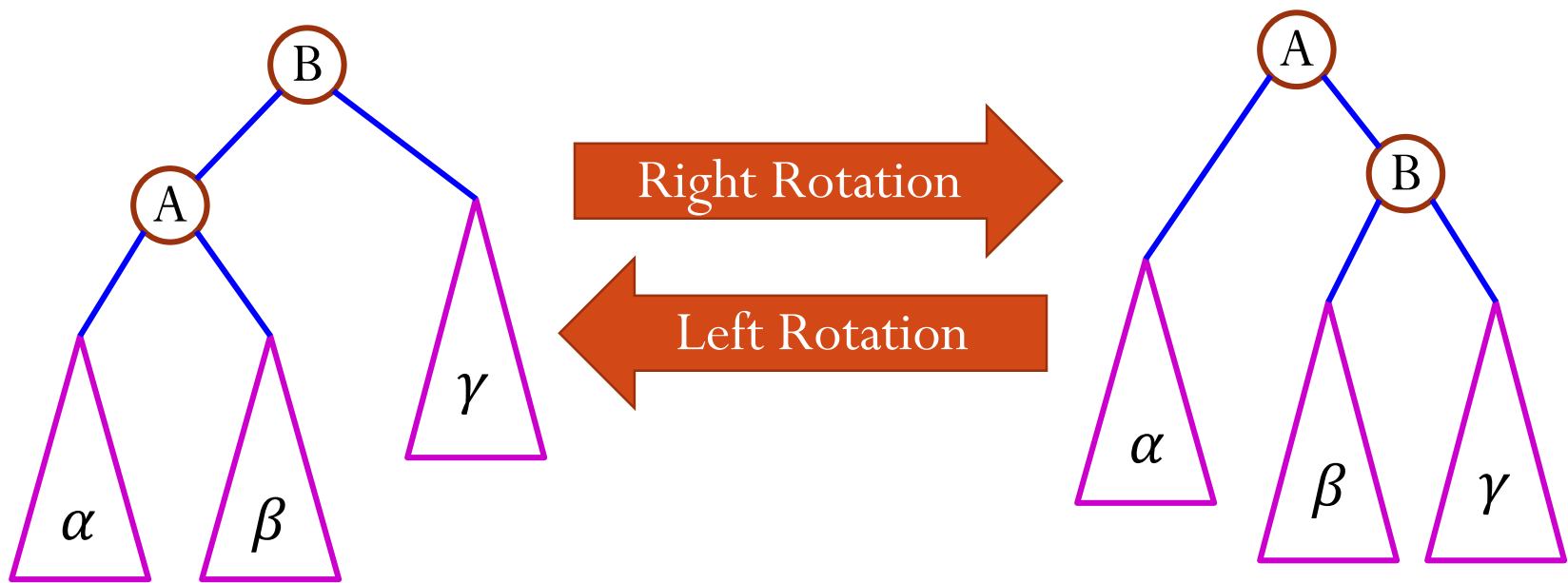


We have to do some work...

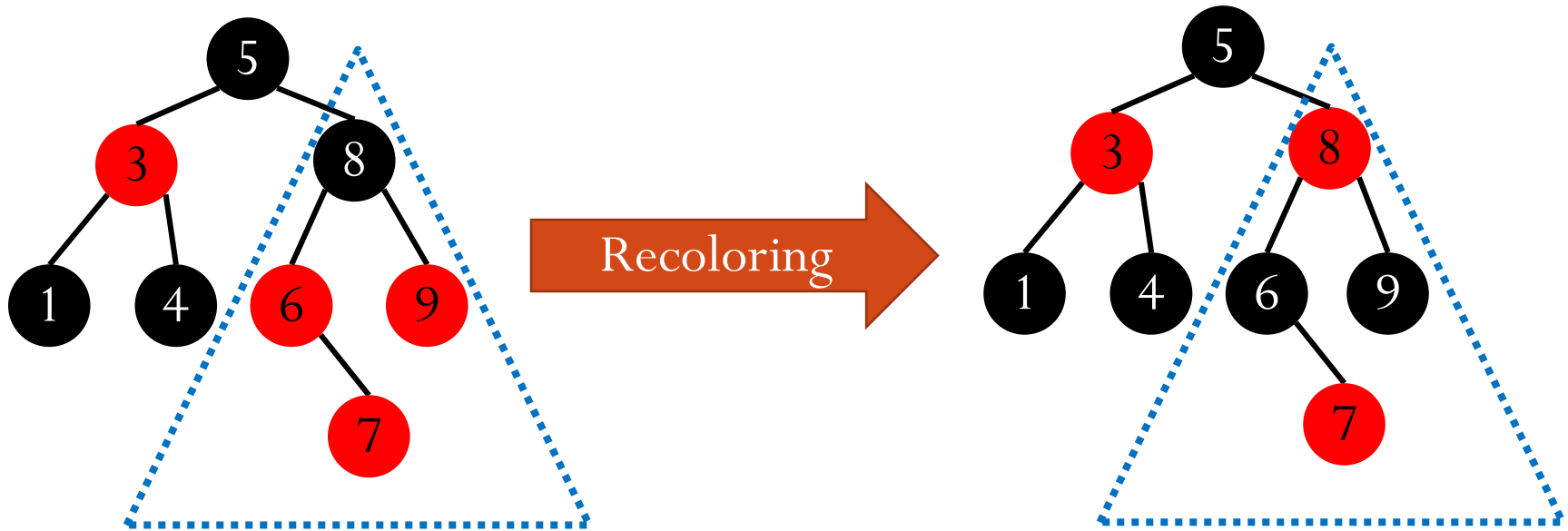


# Modification: Rotation

- Maintain the binary search tree property.
- Can be done in  $O(1)$  time.



# Modification: Recoloring

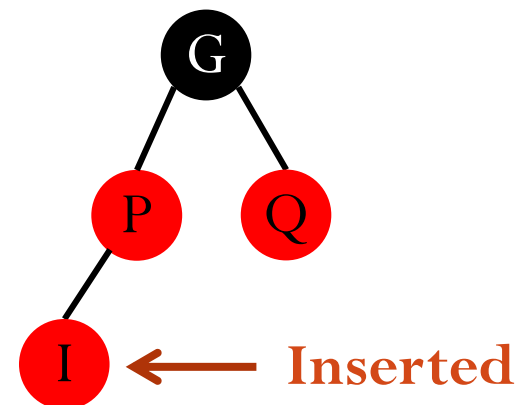


# Insertion: Sketch

- Insert  $x$  as a **leaf**.
- Color  $x$  **red**.
  - Only **red rule** may be violated.
- Move the violation **up the tree** by recoloring/rotation.
  - At some point, the violation will be fixed.

# Violation at Leaf

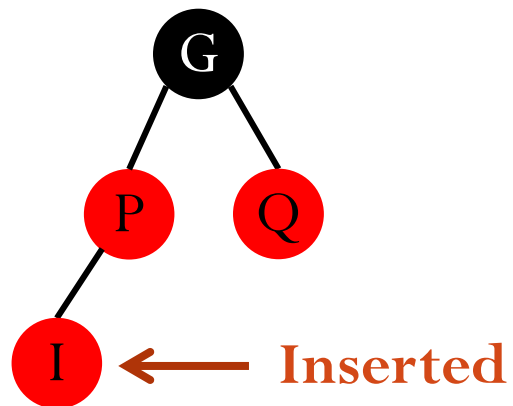
- **Note**: only **red rule** may be violated by inserting a (red) node as a leaf.
- When violating, its **parent** is **red** and its **grandparent** is **black**.
- **Denote**: the inserted node as “I”, its parent as “P”, its grandparent as “G”.
- **Claim**: in the old tree, “P” is a leaf, i.e., has no children.





# Violation at Leaf

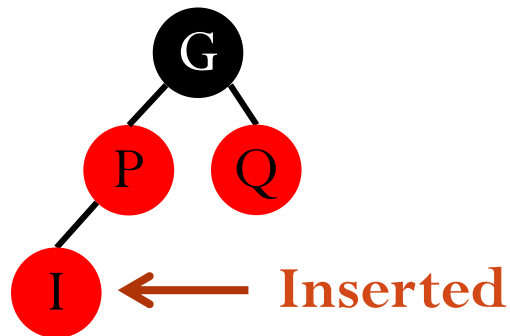
- **Assume**: the parent “P” is the **left child** of the grandparent “G”.
  - The “right child” case is **symmetric**.
- **Denote**: the right child of the grandparent to be Q.
- **Claim**: Q is either a red leaf or a NULL.
  - Why?



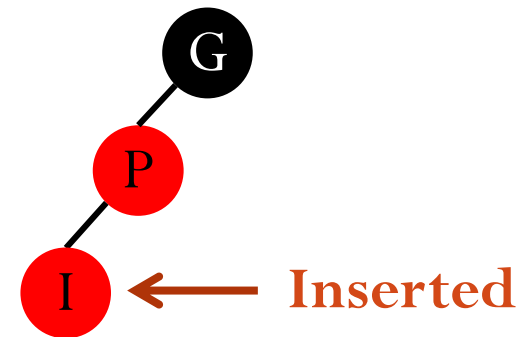
# Violation at Leaf

- Three cases:

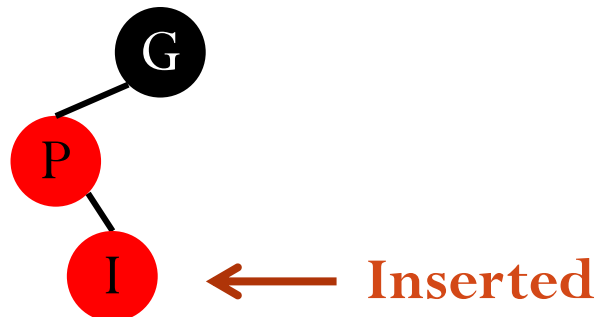
1. Q is a **red leaf**.



2. Q is empty; I is P's **left** child.

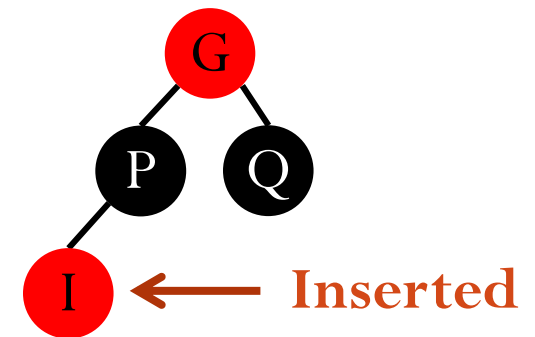
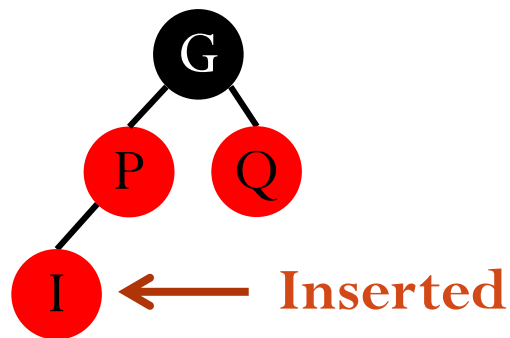


3. Q is empty; I is P's **right** child.



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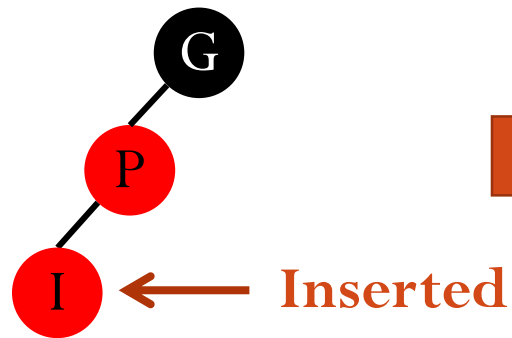
- Case 1: Q is a **red leaf**.



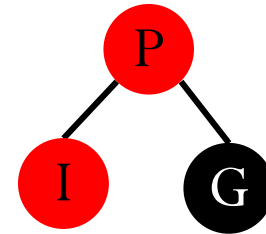
May **recurse**, since G's parent may be red.

# Violation at Leaf

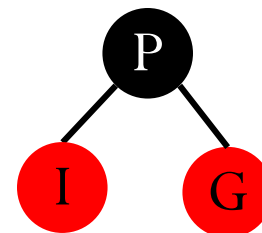
- Case 2: Q is empty; I is P's **left** child.



Right Rotation



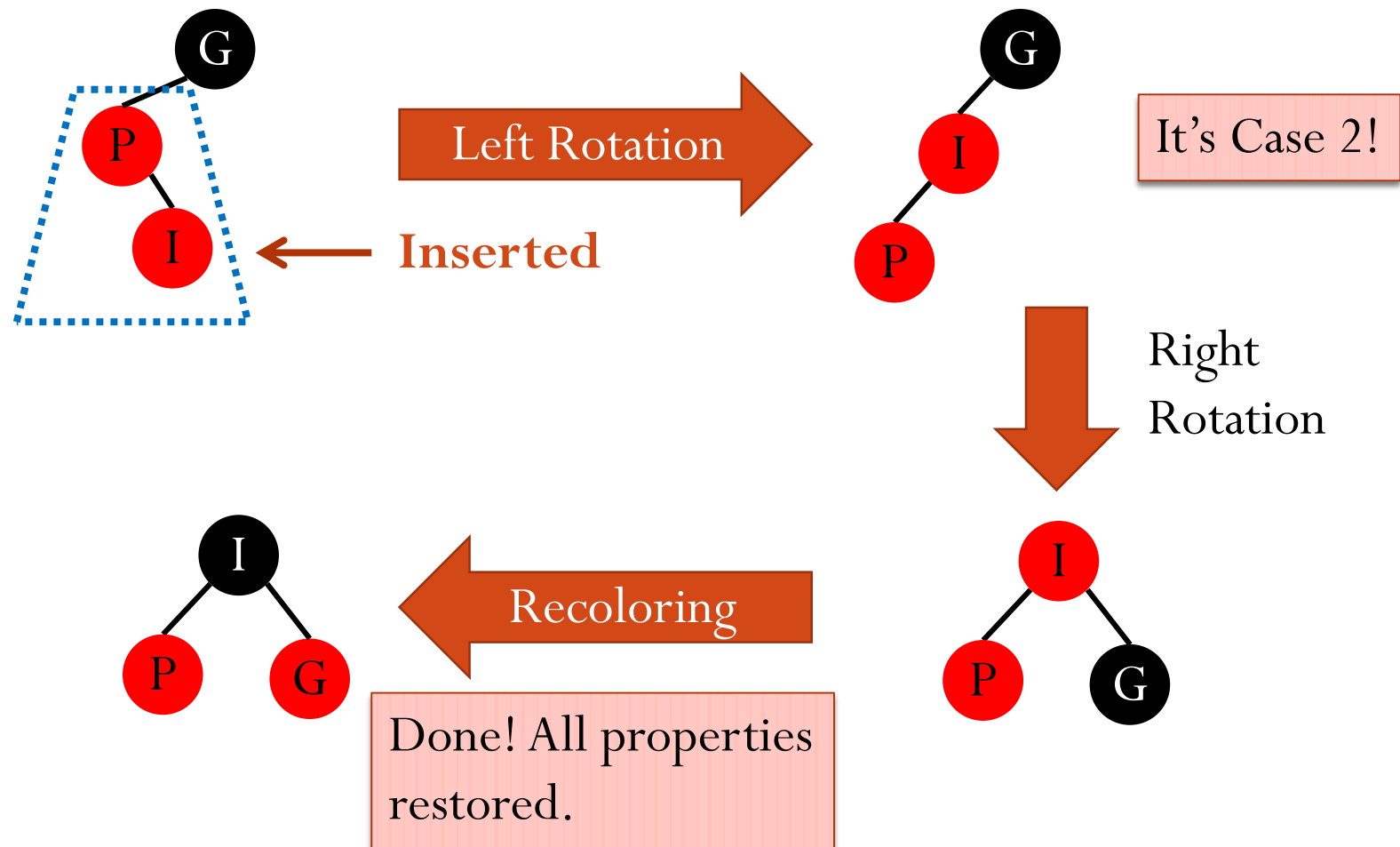
Recoloring



Done! All properties restored. (Why?)

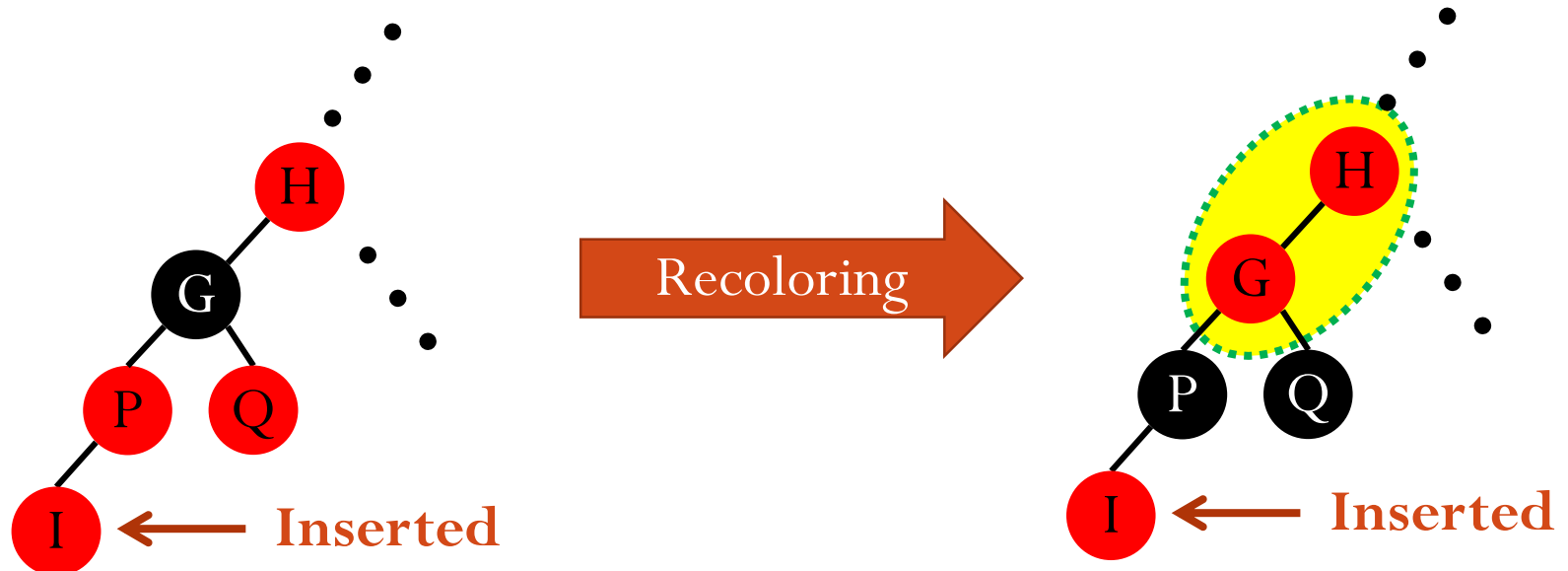
# Violation at Leaf

- Case 3: Q is empty; I is P's **right** child.



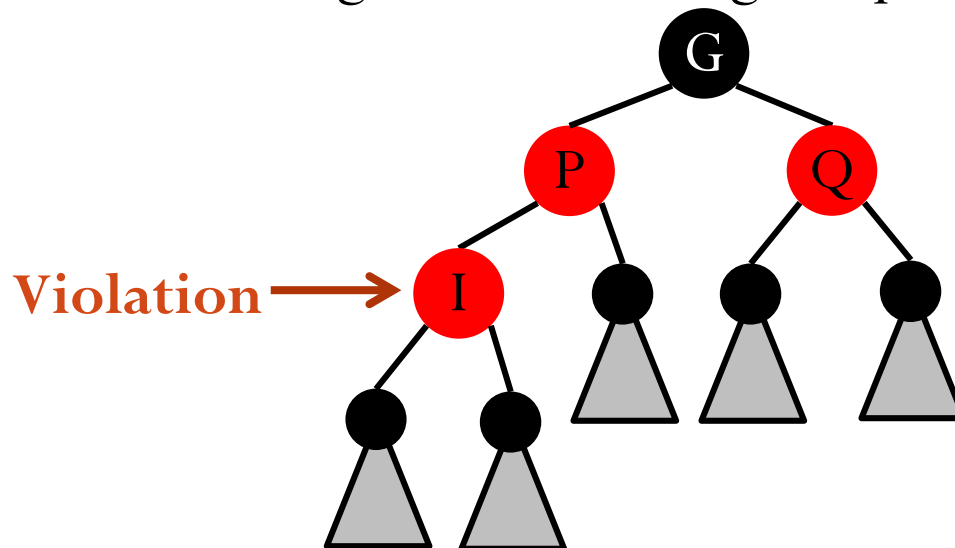
# Violation at Leaf: Summary

- For Case 2 (Q is empty; I is P's **left** child) and Case 3 (Q is empty; I is P's **right** child), **we're done**.
- For Case 1 (Q is a **red leaf**), we may recurse.
  - Violation of **red rule**.



# Violation at Internal Nodes

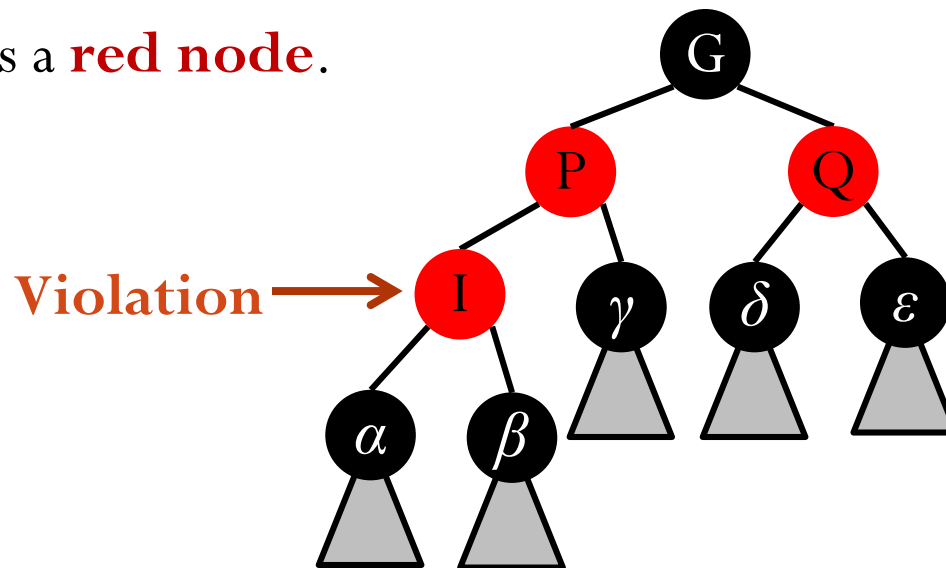
- Caused by **moving the violation up** the tree.
- When violating, its **parent** is **red** and its **grandparent** is **black**.
- **Assume**: the parent “P” is the **left child** of the grandparent “G”. (The “right child” case is **symmetric**.)
- **Denote**: the right child of the grandparent to be Q.



# Violation at Internal Nodes

- Three Cases:

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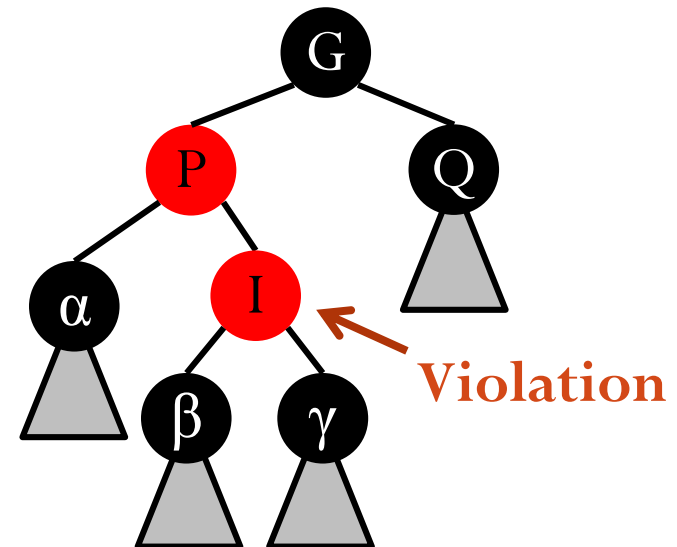
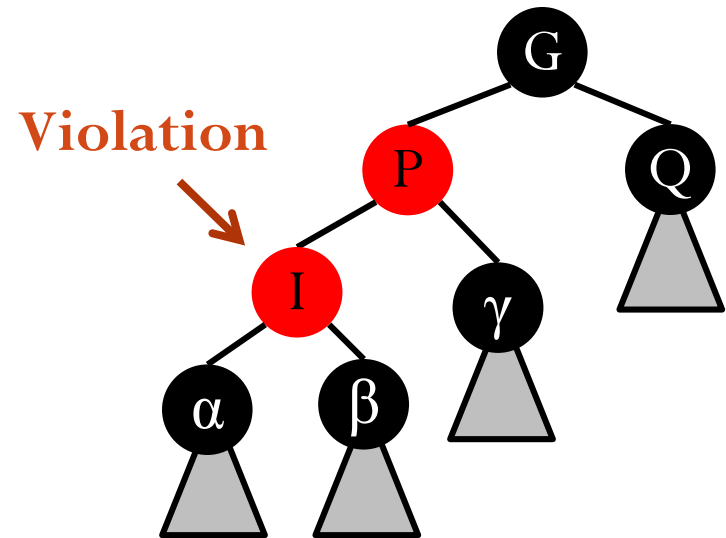
- Claim:

- $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta, \epsilon$  are trees with **black root**.
- $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta, \epsilon$  have the same **black height**.



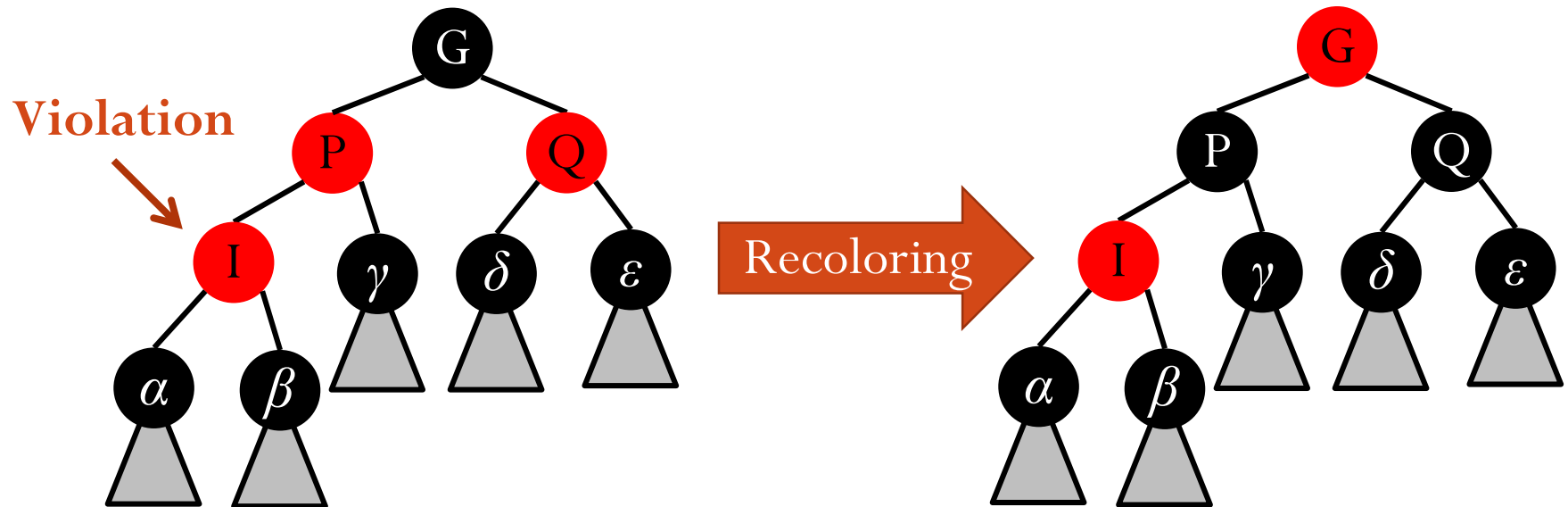
# Violation at Internal Nodes

- Three Cases:
  2. Q is a **black node**; I is P's **left** child.
  3. Q is a **black node**; I is P's **right** child.
- **Claim** for Case 2 and 3:
  - $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\gamma$ , Q are trees with **black root**.
  - $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\gamma$ , Q have the **same black height**.



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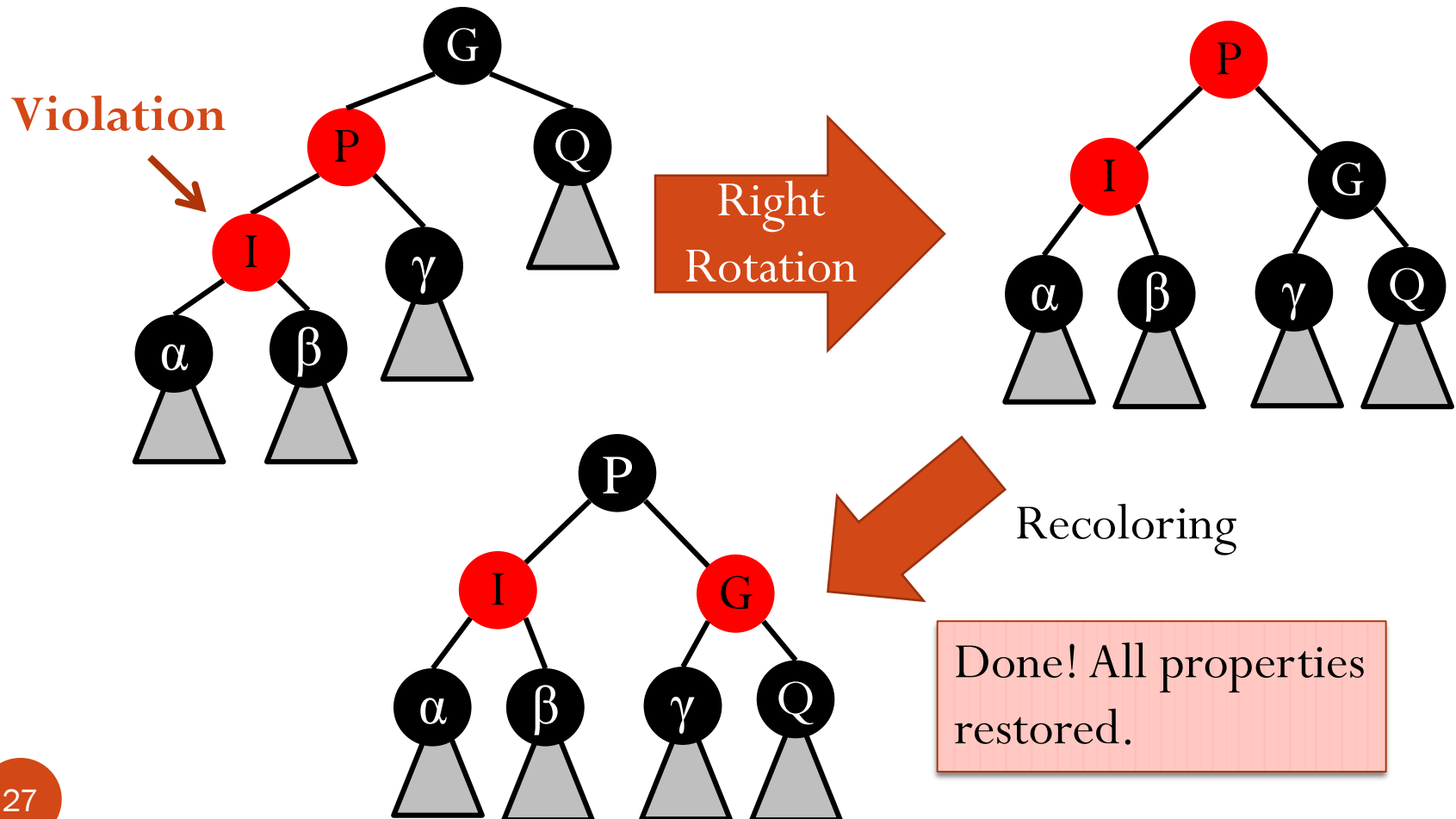
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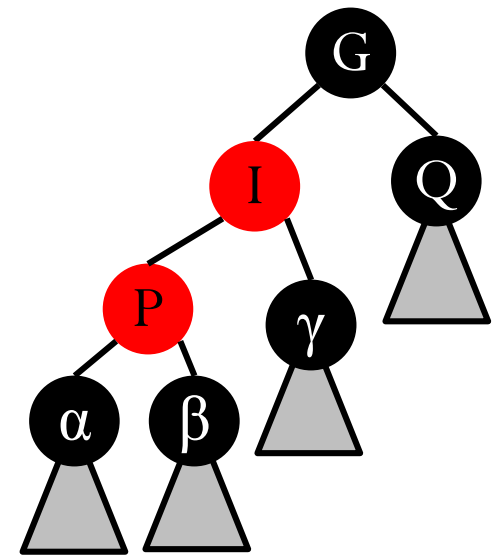
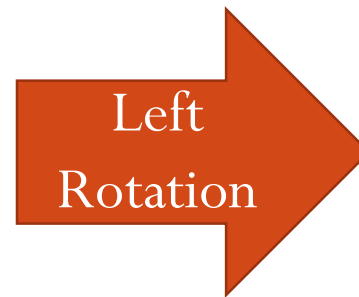
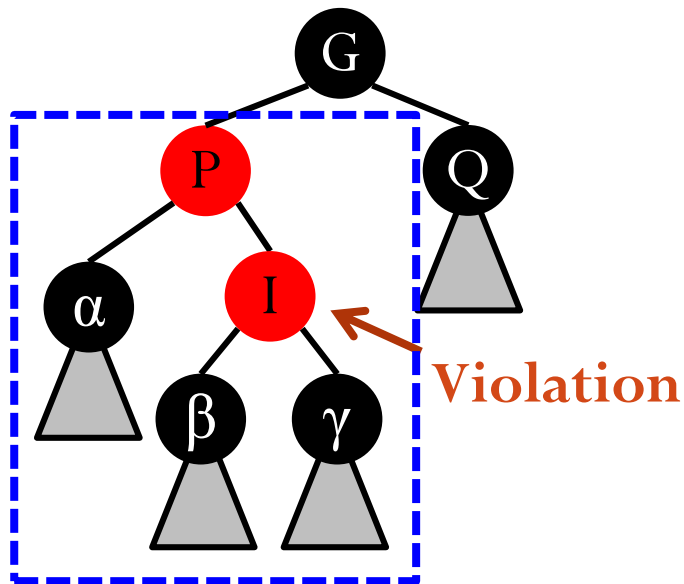
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- Case 2: Q is a **black node**; I is P's **left** child.



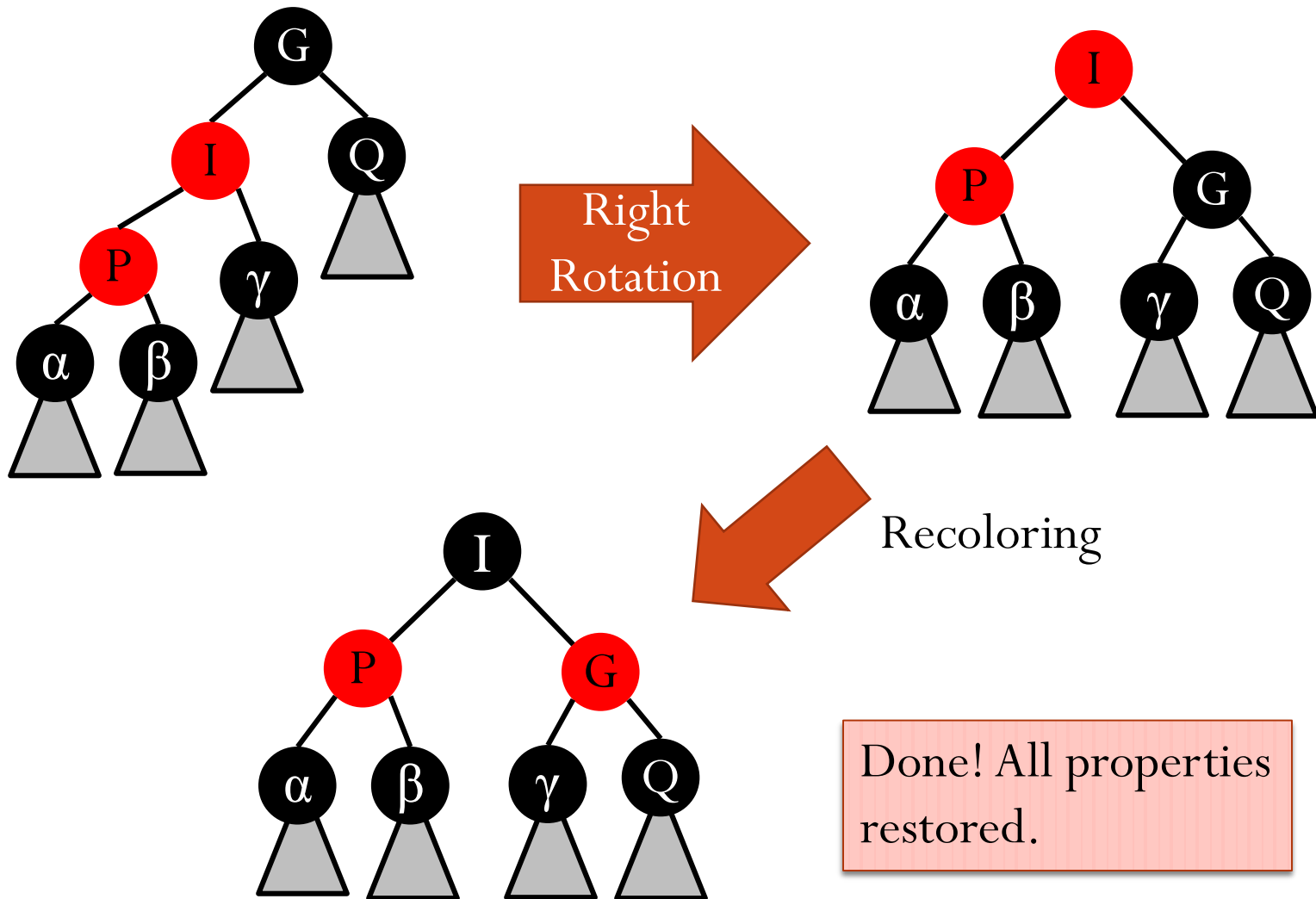
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- Case 3: Q is a **black node**; I is P's **right** child.



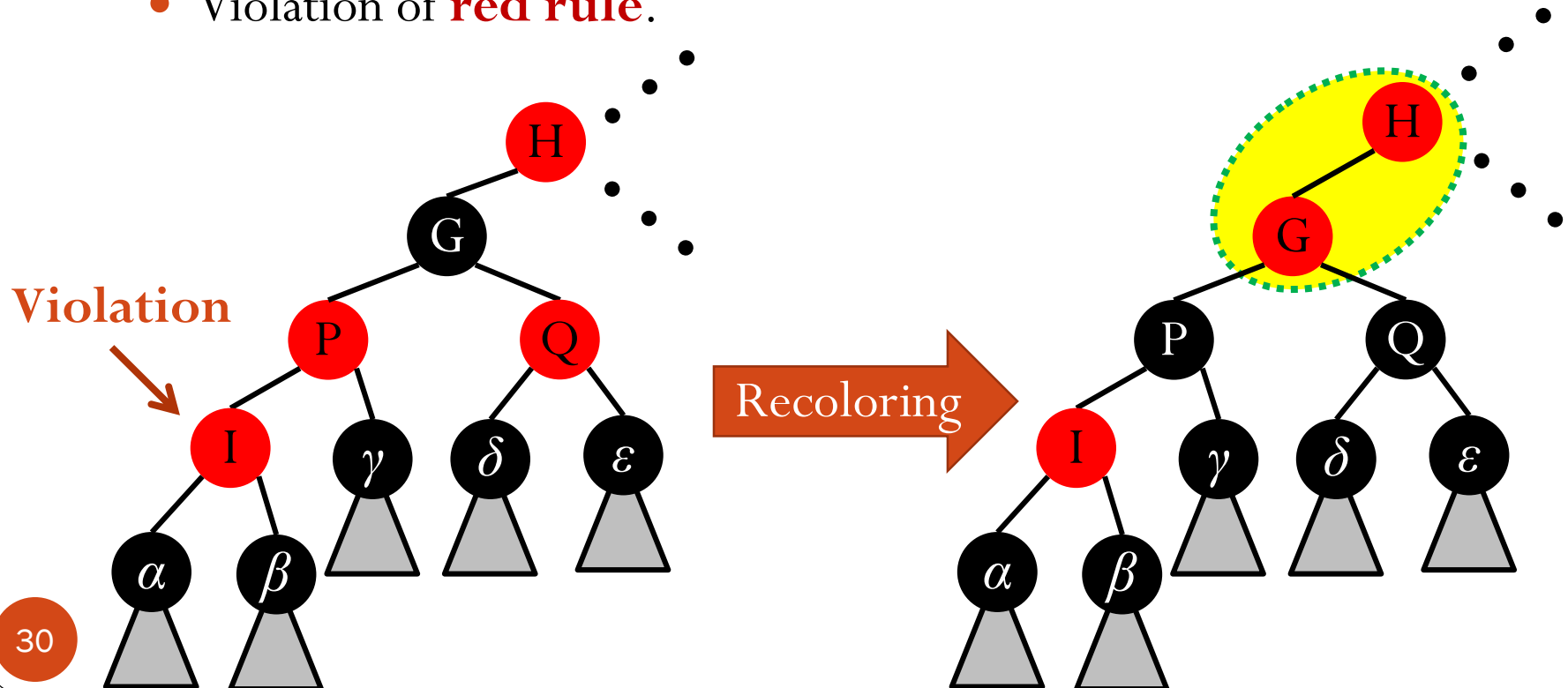
It's Case 2!

## Violation at Internal Nodes: Case 3 (cont.)



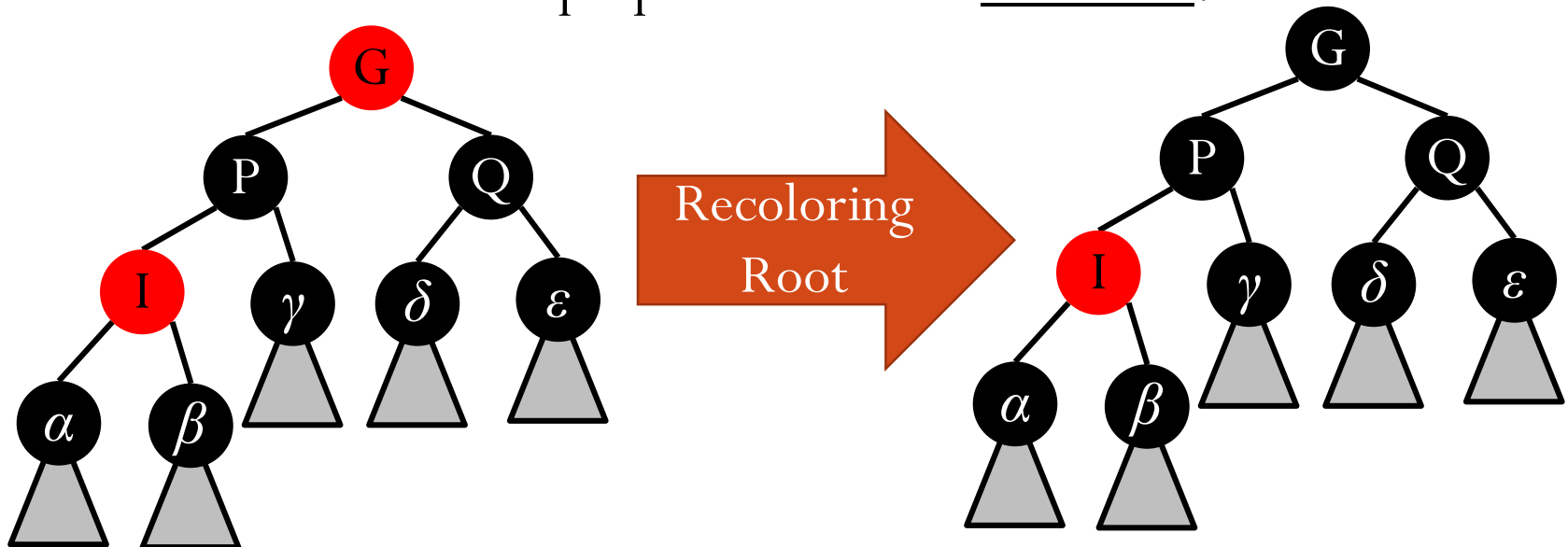
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  - Violation of **red rule**.



# Final Step: Violation Fix at the Root

- By **moving the violation up** the tree ...
  - ... the root may become **red**.
- Final step: set root to be **black**.
  - All red-black tree properties are now restored.

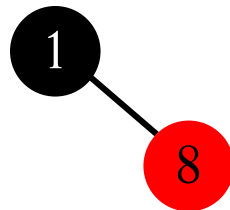


# Example

- Insert 1



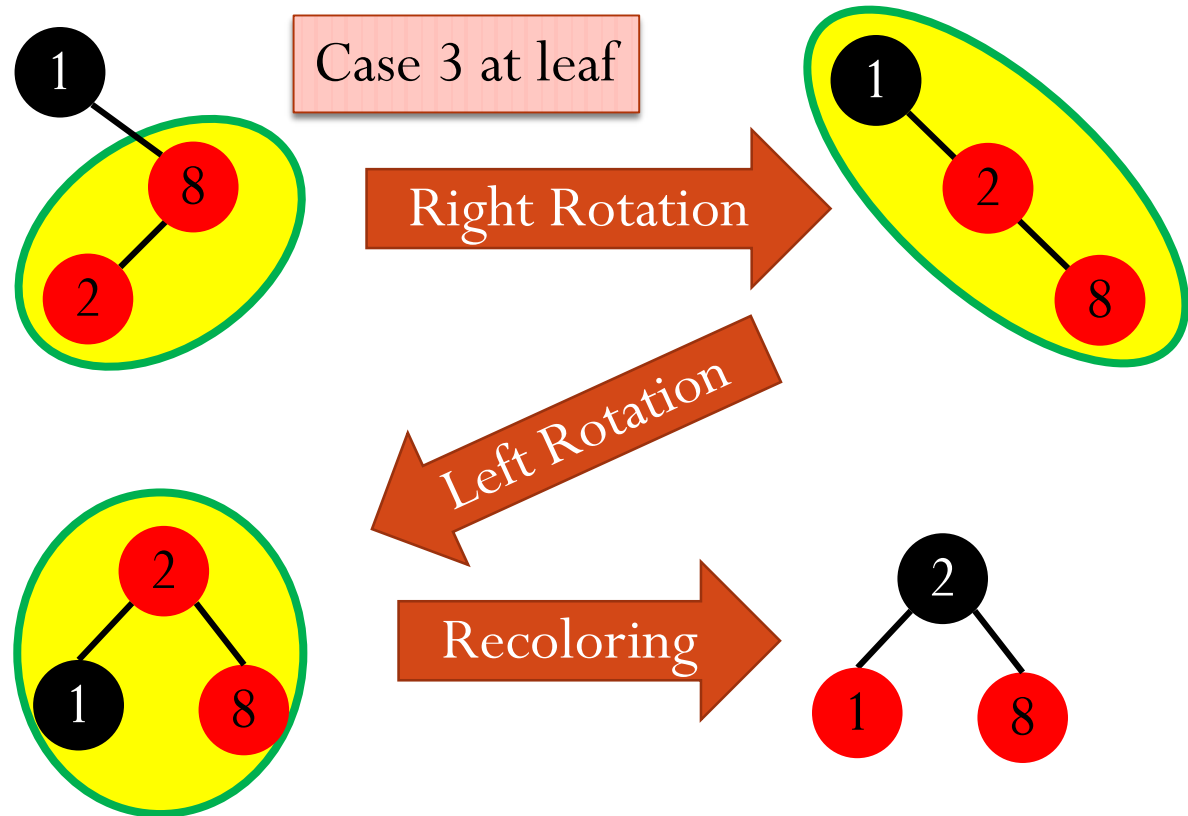
- Insert 8





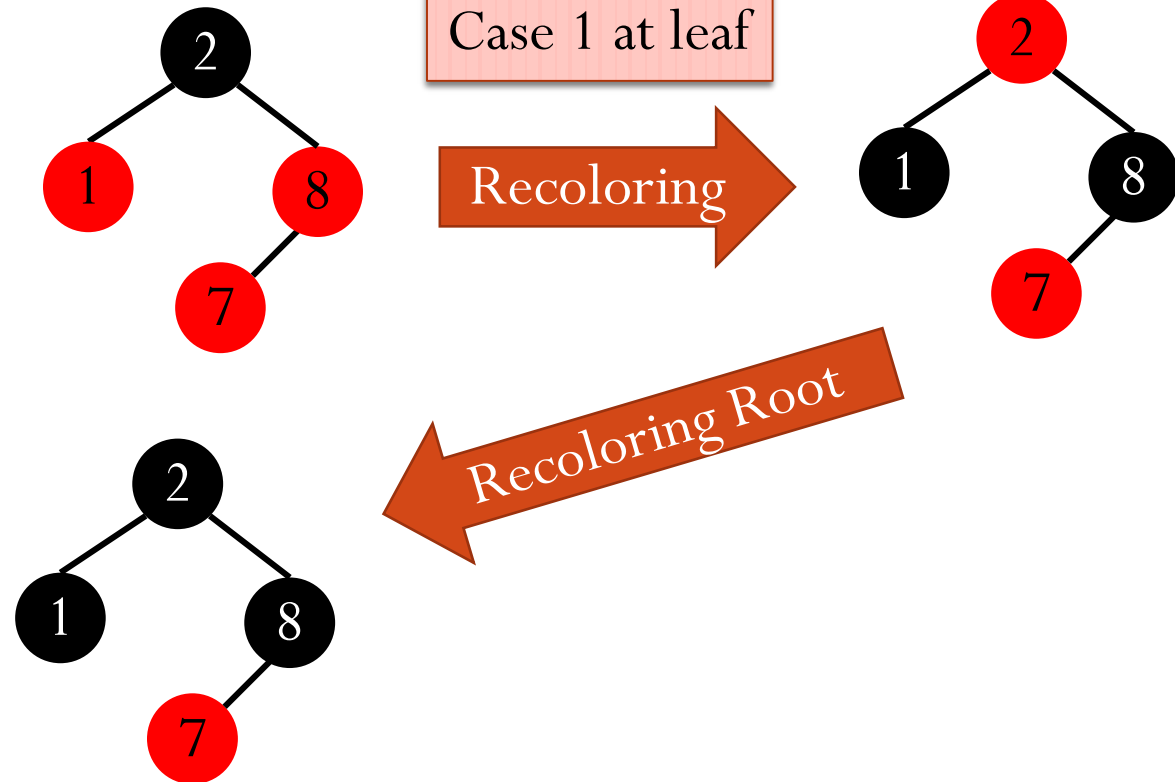
# Example (cont.)

- Insert 2



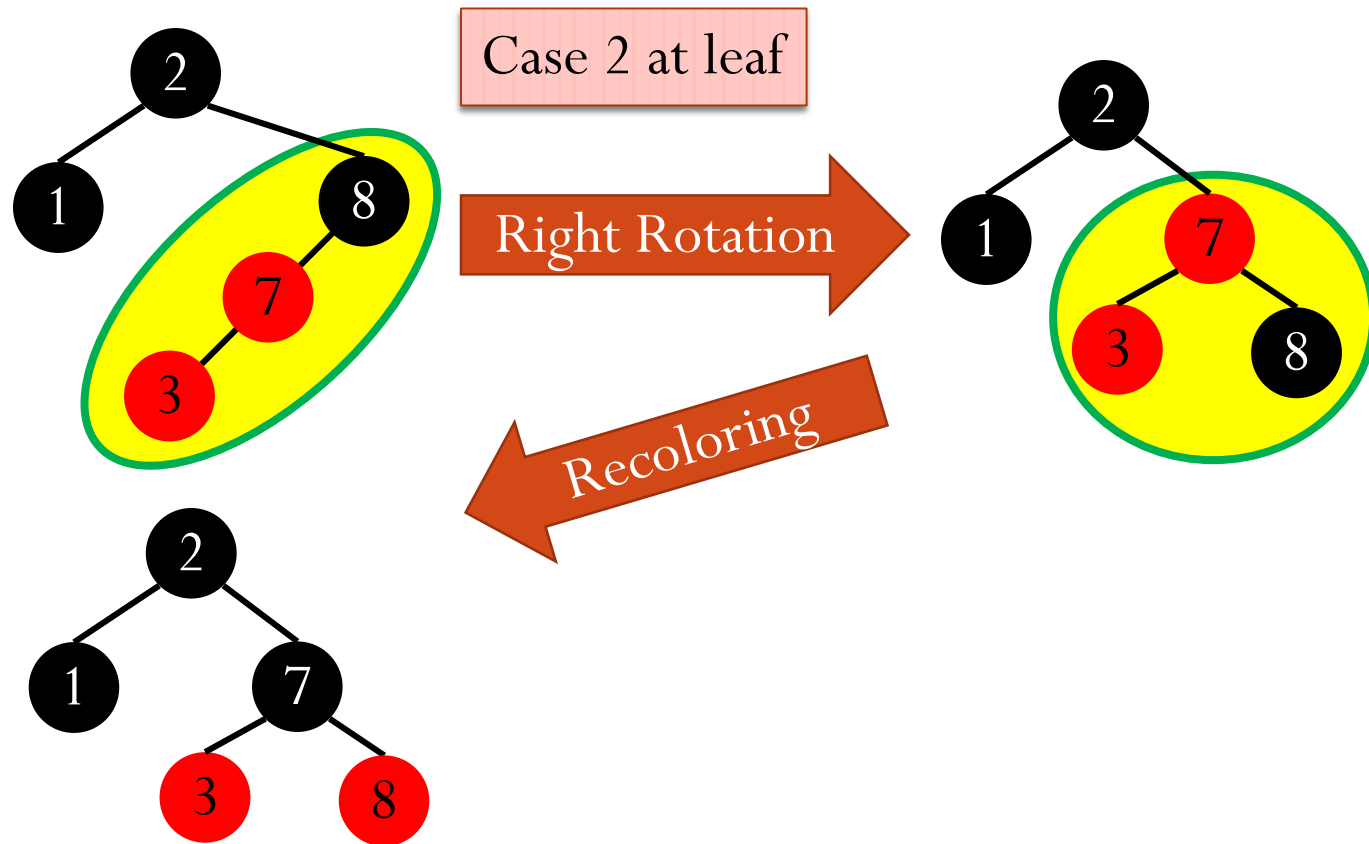
# Example (cont.)

- Insert 7



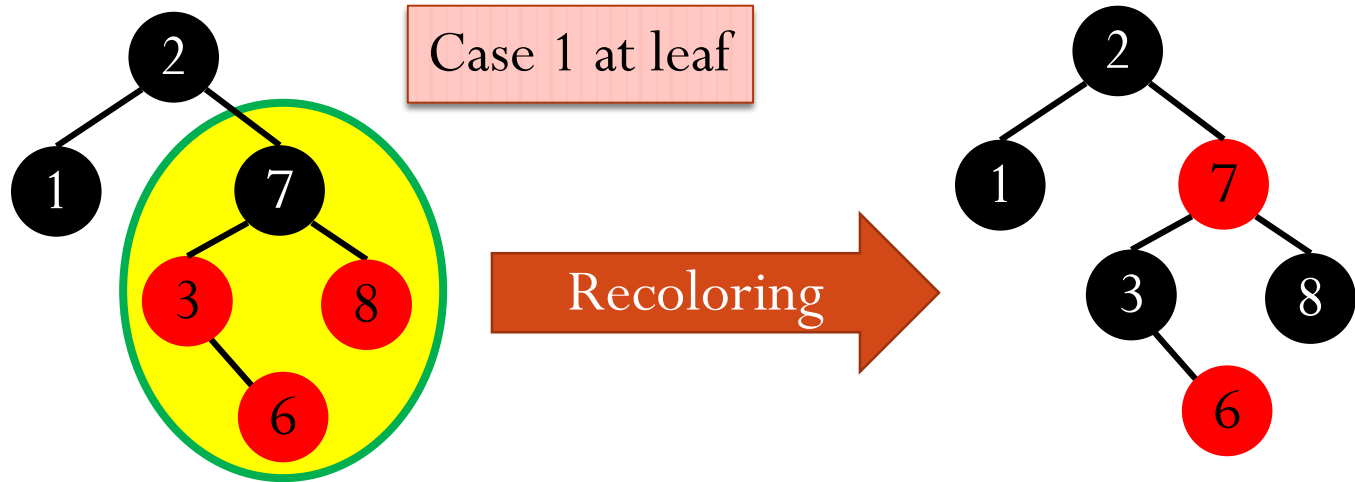
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- Insert 3



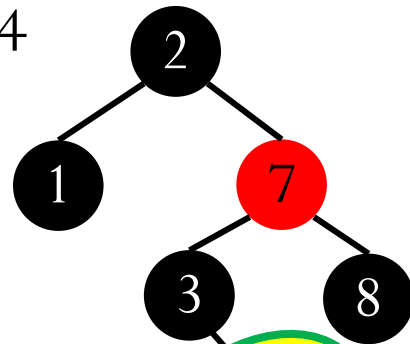
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- Insert 6



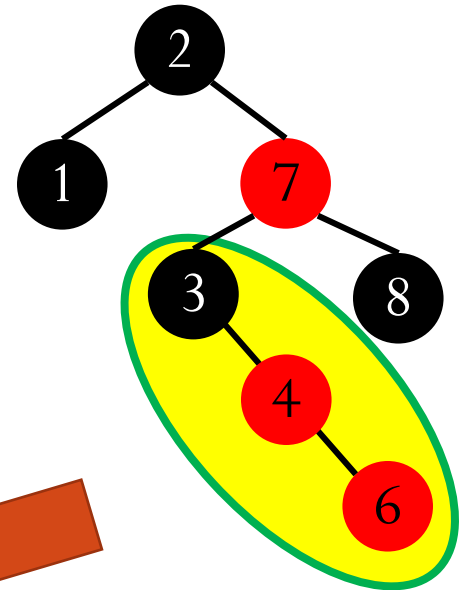
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- Insert 4

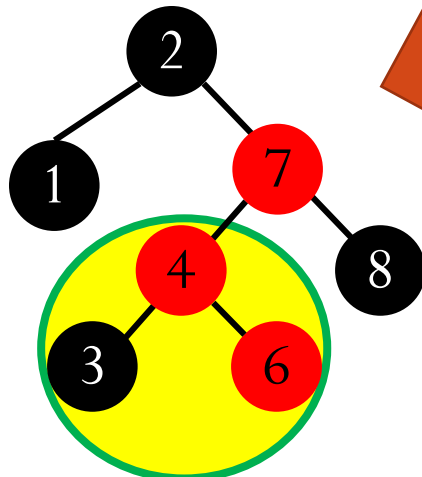


Case 3 at leaf

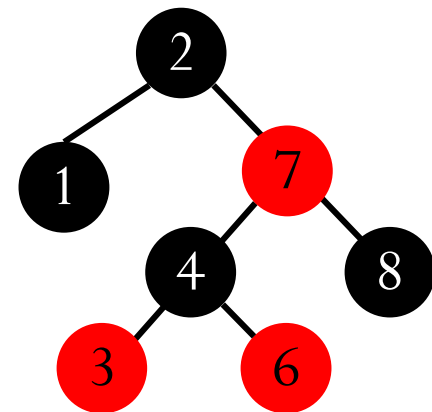
Right Rotation



Left Rotation

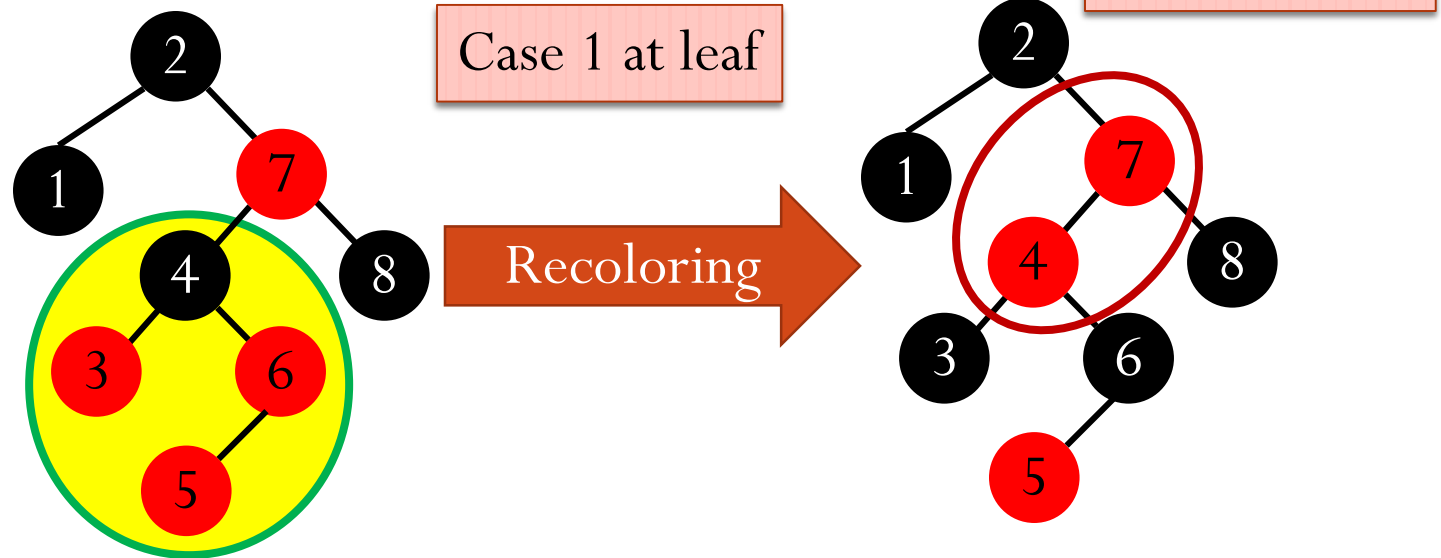


Recoloring



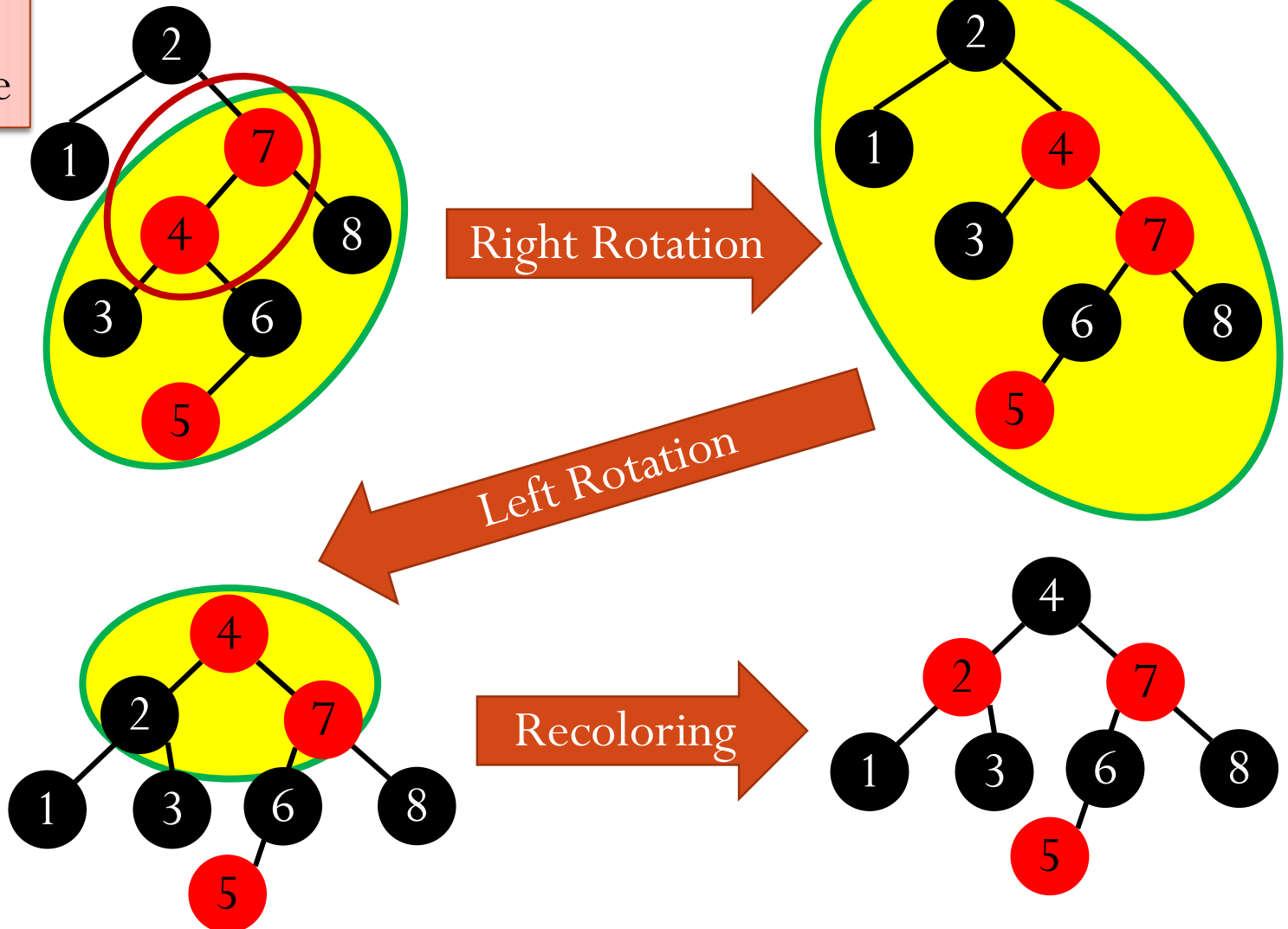
# Example (cont.)

- Insert 5



# Example (cont.)

Case 3 at  
internal node



# Runtime Complexity

- Number of rotations required
  - For case 1, only need to recolor, **no** rotation.
  - For case 2 or 3, perform 1 or 2 rotations and terminate.
  - **Thus**: # rotations =  $O(1)$ .
- Number of recoloring required
  - Worst case:  $O(\log n)$
- Runtime complexity is  $O(\log n)$ .