

# Huffman Coding and Red-Black Tree

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## Huffman Coding

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- Are used to compress information.
  - Like WinZip (although WinZip doesn't use the Huffman algorithm).
  - JPEGs do use Huffman as part of their compression process.
- **Basic idea:** Instead of storing characters in a file as 8-bit ASCII value, store the more frequently occurring characters using fewer bits and less frequently occurring characters using more bits
  - On average this should decrease the filesize (usually by 1/2).

# Huffman Coding (Cont.)

**An Example:** Consider the string,  
“duke blue devils”

- Do a frequency count of the characters:

e	d	u	l	space	k	b	v	i	s
3	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1

- Next we use a **Greedy algorithm** to build up a Huffman Tree.
  - Start with nodes for each character.



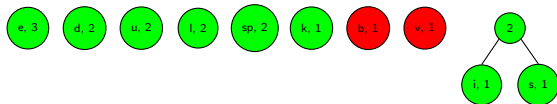
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- Pick the nodes with the smallest frequency and combine them together to form a new node.
  - The selection of these nodes is the Greedy part.
- Remove the two selected nodes are from the set and replace it with a combined node.
- Continue until only 1 node left in the set.

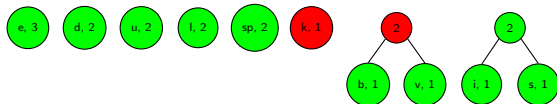
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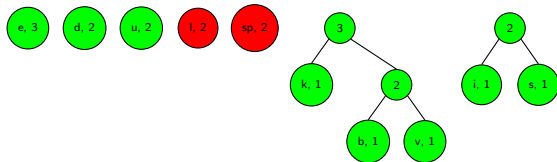


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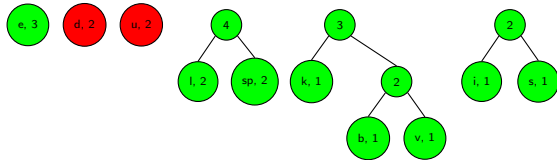




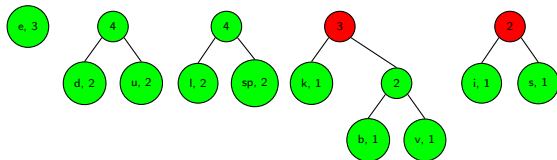
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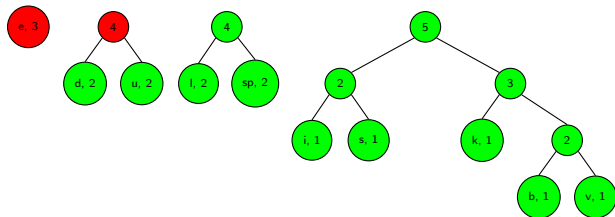
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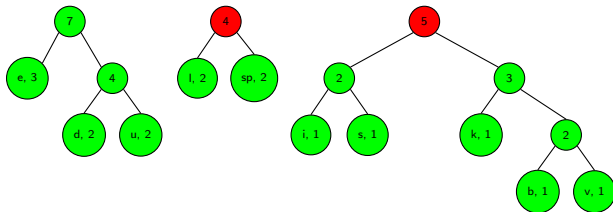
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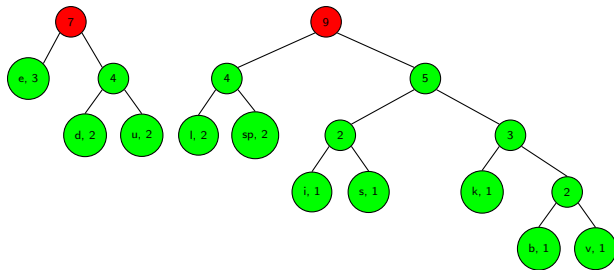
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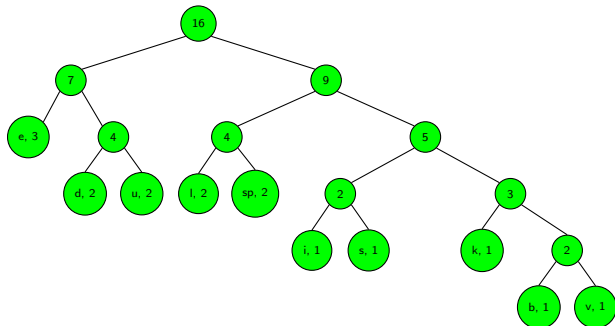
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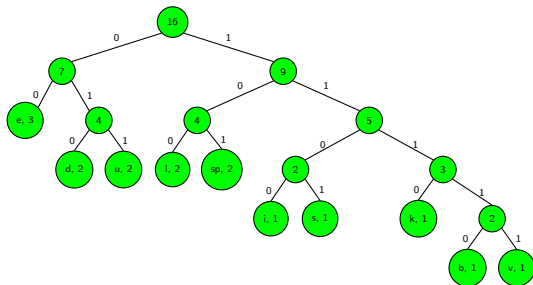


# Huffman Coding: Assign Codes

- **Assign codes to the tree:**
  - 0: For left child.
  - 1: For Right child.
- A traversal of the tree from root to leaf gives the Huffman code for that particular leaf character.
- **Note:** No code is the prefix of another code.



# Huffman Coding: Code Assignment



e	d	u	l	space	i	s	k	b	v
00	010	011	100	101	1100	1101	1110	11110	11111

# Huffman Coding: Compression

- Use these codes to encode the string.
- Encoding of “duke blue devils”:

010 011 1110 00 101 11110 100 011 00 101 010 00 11111 1100 100 1101

- Grouped then into bytes:

01001111 10001011 11101000 11001010 10001111 11100100 1101xxxx

- $\therefore$  it takes 7 bytes of space.
- In contrast, the uncompressed string takes  $16 \text{ characters} \times 1 \text{ byte/char} = 16 \text{ bytes}$ .

# Huffman Decoding: Uncompression

- Reading the compressed file bit by bit.
  - Start at the root of the tree.
  - If a 0 is read, head left.
  - If a 1 is read, head right.
  - When a leaf is reached decode that character and start over again at the root of the tree
- $\therefore$  Huffman table information needs to be saved as a header in the compressed file.
  - Doesn't add a significant amount of size to the file for large files (which are the ones you want to compress anyway).
  - Or we could use a fixed universal set of codes/frequencies.

# Homework

- Implement Huffman encoding and decoding in C.
- Using it create a compression software that takes as input a text file and outputs a compressed file with the Huffman encoding table in the header of the file.
- Also create a uncompression software that will take the compressed file created above and output the original text file.

## Red-Black Tree (RBT)

# Properties

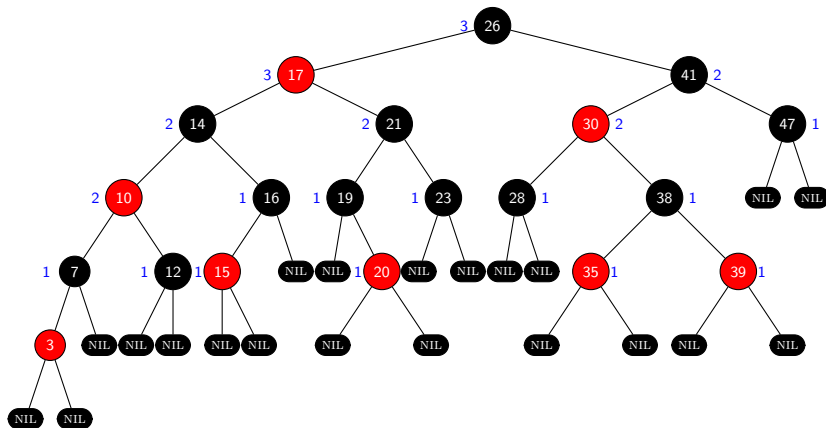
- Another example of balanced tree.
- Like AVL tree, ensures basic dynamic-set operations take  $\mathcal{O}(\log n)$  in the worst case.
- It is a BST satisfying the following properties.
  - ① Every node is either **red** or **black**.
  - ② **Root** is **black**.
  - ③ Every **leaf** is **black**.

**Note:** Only the null pointers are considered as leaf nodes. All other nodes are considered as internal nodes.

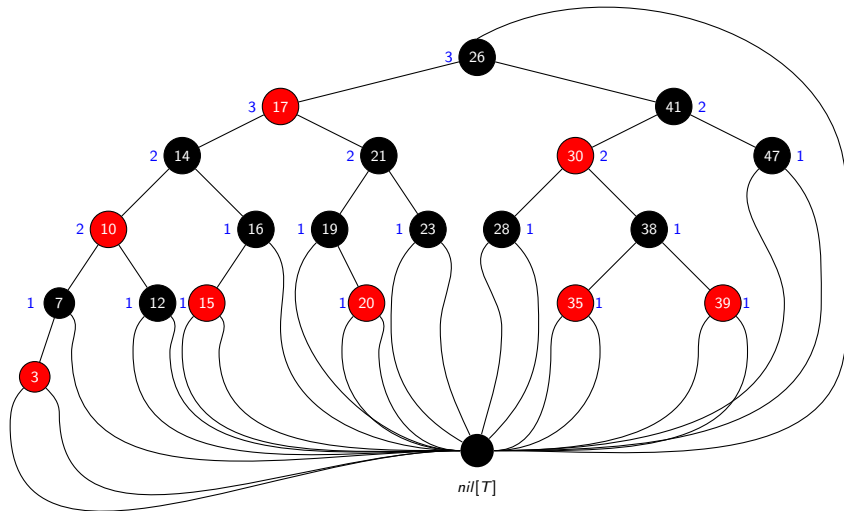
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**Black-height:** # black node on any path from, but not including, a node  $x$  down to a leaf. It is denoted by  $bh(x)$ .

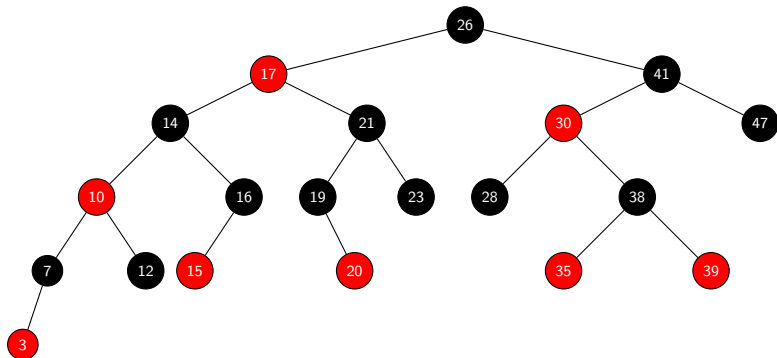


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# RBT Node in C

```
typedef struct RBTNode {  
    int nKey;  
    int nColour;           // 0 - Red and 1 - black  
    struct RBTNode *pParent;  
    struct RBTNode *pLeft;  
    struct RBTNode *pRight;  
} RBTNode;
```

**Sentinel** *nil*[*T*]:

- It is a RBTNode.
- Color = Black, i.e., *nColour* = 1.
- *nKey*, *pParent*, *pLeft*, *pRight* can be set to arbitrary values.

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**Claim:** A subtree rooted at any node  $x$  contains at least  $2^{bh(x)} - 1$  internal nodes.

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*Proof of the claim:* The proof is by induction on the height of  $x$ .

**Base Case** ( $bh(x) = 0$ ): Then  $x$  must be a leaf ( $nil[T]$ ) node  $\Rightarrow$  # of internal nodes is at least  $2^0 - 1 = 0$ .

**Inductive Step:** Height of the children of  $x$  is either  $bh(x)$  or  $bh(x) - 1$ .

Then by the inductive hypothesis a sub-tree rooted at  $x$  contains at least

$$(2^{bh(x)-1} - 1) + (2^{bh(x)-1} - 1) + 1 = 2^{bh(x)} - 1$$

internal nodes.

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*Proof of the Lemma:* Let  $h$  be the height of the tree.

By Property 4, at least half of the nodes on any simple path from the root to a leaf, not including the root, must be black

$$\Rightarrow bh(x) \geq h/2.$$

$$\therefore n \geq 2^{h/2} - 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad h \leq \lg(n + 1).$$

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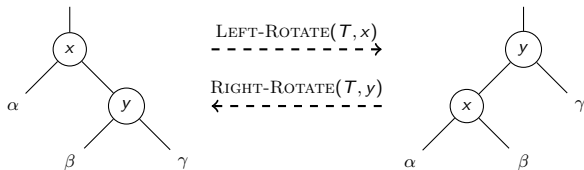
- Insert and Delete operations may violate the red-black property.
- Can be restored by
  - changing the colours of some of the nodes and
  - also change the pointer structure.
- The pointer structure is changed via the following two types of rotation.
  - Left rotation.
  - Right rotation.



# Left and Right Rotations

**Left-Rotate:**  $right[x] \neq nil[T]$  and  $p[root] = nil[T]$ .

**Right-Rotate:**  $left[x] \neq nil[T]$  and  $p[root] = nil[T]$ .



**Complexity:**  $\mathcal{O}(1)$ .

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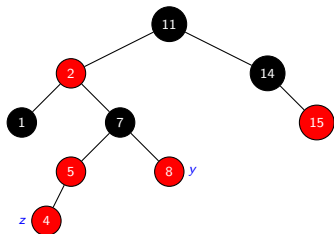
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- Insert the  $z$  into the RBT  $T$  as if it was a BST.
- Colour the node  $z$  as red.

**Note:** Colouring  $z$  as red does not effect the black height!

- Call an auxiliary procedure RB-INSERT-FIXUP to recolour nodes and perform rotations.

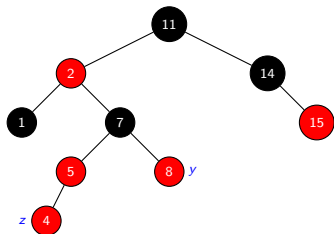
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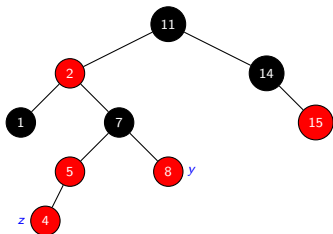
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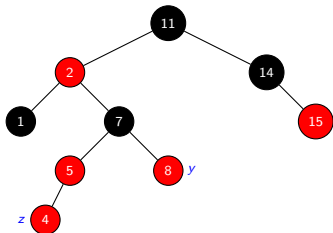


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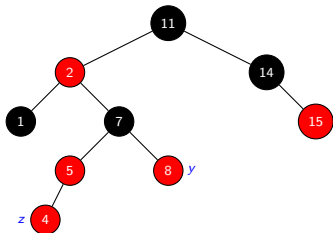
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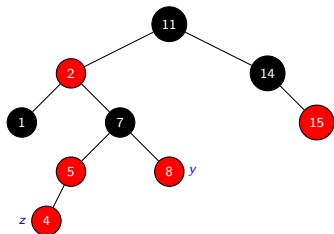
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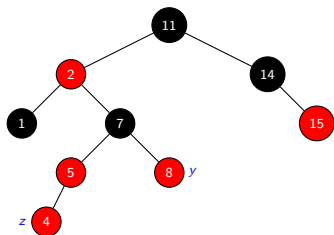
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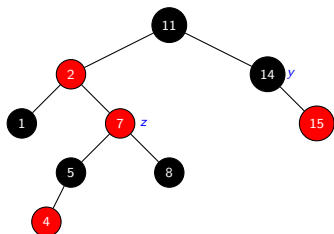


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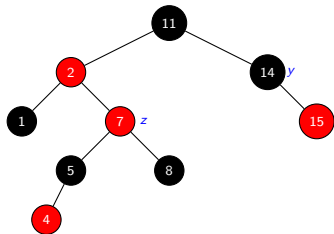


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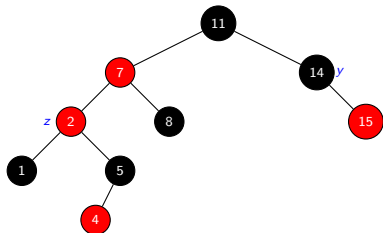


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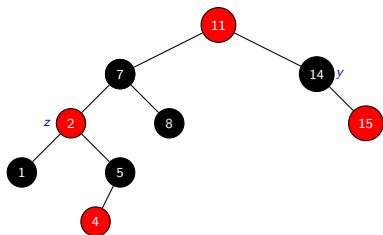


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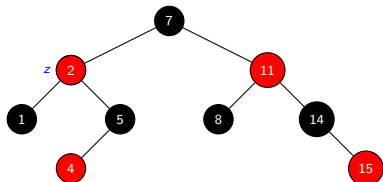
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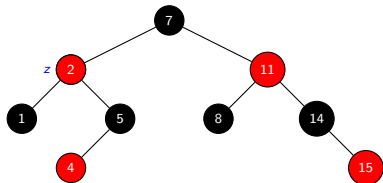


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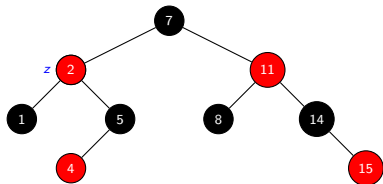


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Thank You for your kind attention!

# Books and Other Materials Consulted

- ① Huffman Coding part taken from the following [website](#).
- ② Red-Black Tree part taken from Chapter 13 of the *Introduction to Algorithms* book by [Thomas H Cormen](#), [Charles E Leiserson](#), [Ronald L Rivest](#), [Clifford Stein](#).

# Questions!!