### VE281

Data Structures and Algorithms

#### **Red-black Trees**

#### **Learning Objectives:**

- Know what a red-black tree is and its properties
- Know how to do insertion for a red-black tree

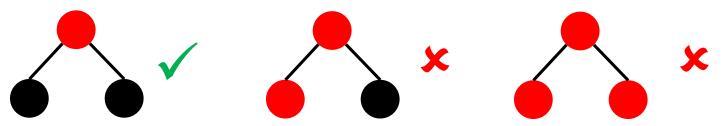
# Outline

• Red-black Trees: Basics

• Red-black Trees: Insertion

#### Red-Black Tree

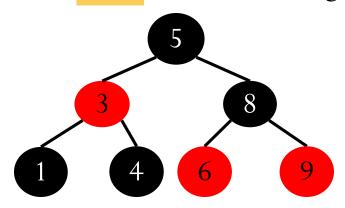
- A binary search tree. The data structure requires an extra one-bit color field in each node.
- Property
- 1. Every node is either red or black.
- 2. Root rule: The root is black.
- 3. Red rule: Red node can only have black children.
  - Can't have two consecutive red nodes on a path.



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

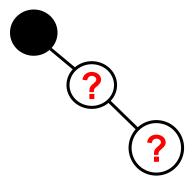
## Red-Black Tree Example

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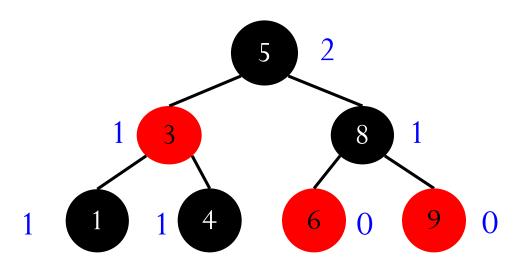
# Counter Example

- Property
- 1. A binary search tree
- 2. Every node is either red or black.
- 3. Root rule: The root is black.
- 4. Red rule: Red node can only have black children.
- 5. 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.





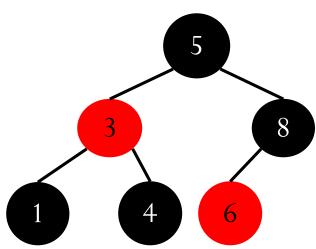
# Which Statements Are Correct?

- **A.** It is possible for a **red** node to have a single child.
- **B.** It is possible for a **black** node to have a single child.
- **C.** It is possible for a node to have two children of different colors.
- **D.** It is possible for a node to have two children and the node and its children are all of the same color.



# Implication of the Rules

- If a red node has at least one child, it <u>must have</u> 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.

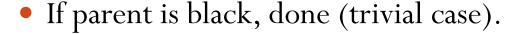
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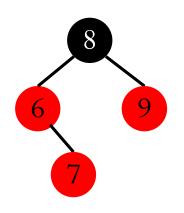
• Red-black Trees: Insertion

#### Insertion

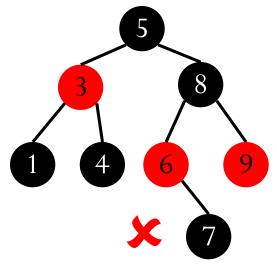
- New node is always a **leaf**.
  - However, it can't be black!
    - Otherwise, violate path rule.
  - Therefore the new leaf must be **red**.

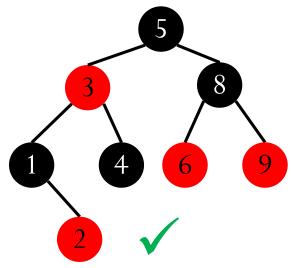


• If parent is red, violate the red rule!



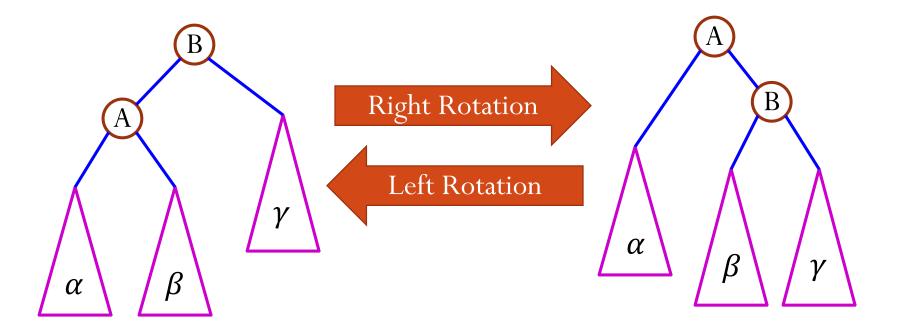
We have to do some work...



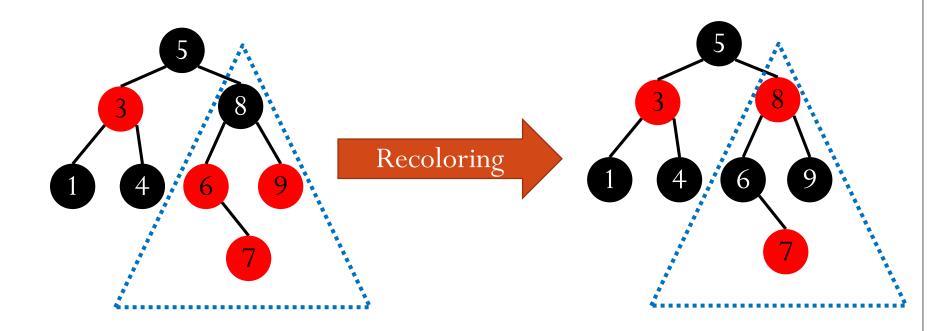


#### Modification: Rotation

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



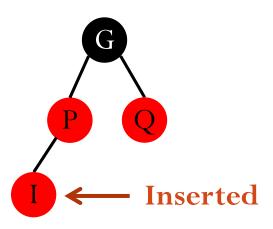
# Modification: Recoloring



#### 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.

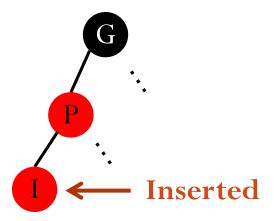
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- When violating, its parent is red and its grandparent is black.
- <u>Denote</u>: the inserted node as "I", its parent as "P", its grandparent as "G".





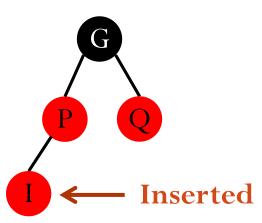
### Which Statements Are Correct?

- Suppose there is a violation at the leaf. Suppose the parent of the inserted node is "P". Select all the correct statements.
- A. P could be a non-leaf in the original tree.
- **B.** P could have a sibling.
- **C.** P cannot have a sibling.
- D. P could have a sibling and that sibling must be a leaf node.

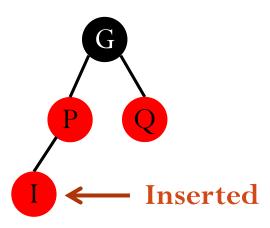




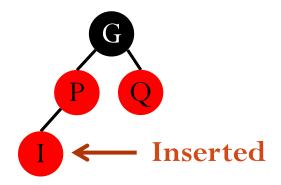
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- Claim: in the old tree, "P" is a leaf, i.e., has no children.



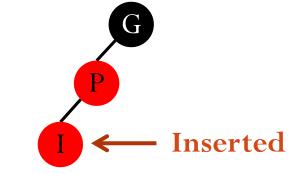
- Assume: the parent "P" is the left child of the grandparent "G".
  - The "right child" case is **symmetric**.
- **<u>Denote</u>**: the right child of the grandparent to be Q.
- <u>Claim</u>: Q is either a red leaf or a NULL.
  - Why?



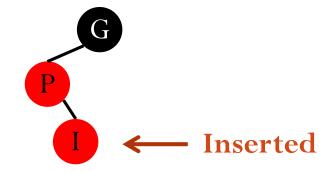
- Three cases:
  - 1. Q is a red leaf.



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



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

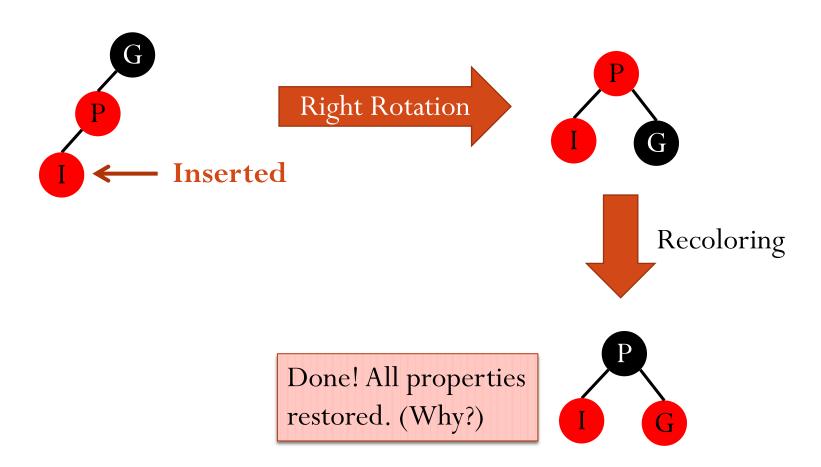


• Case 1: Q is a **red leaf**.

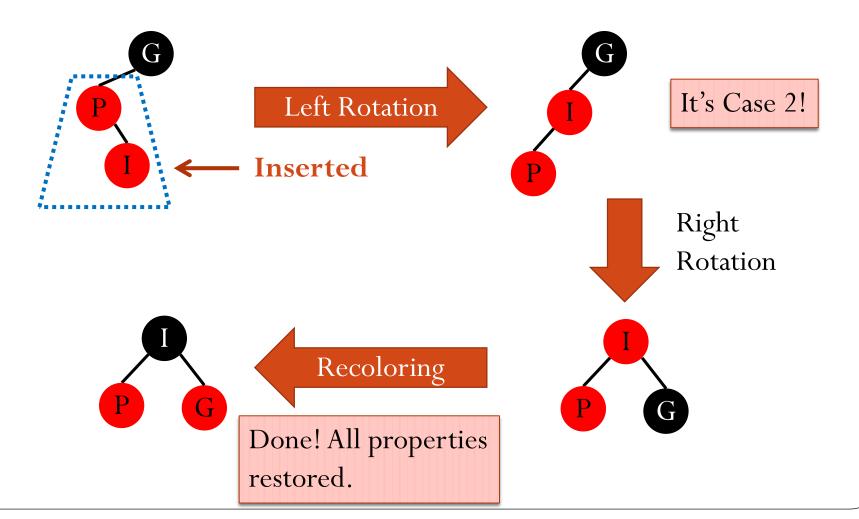


May **recurse**, since G's parent may be red.

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

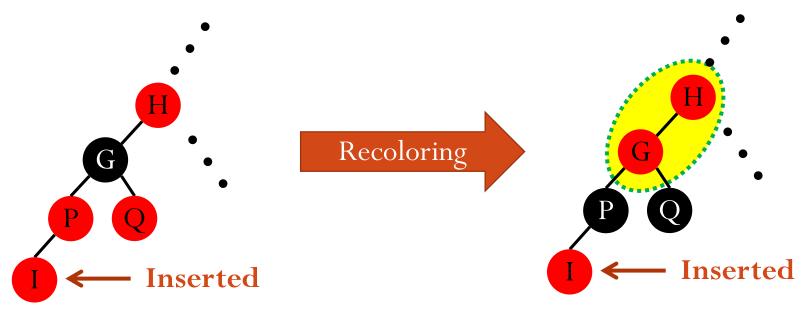


• Case 3: Q is empty; I is P's **right** child.

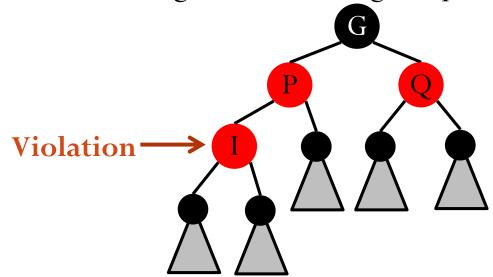


# Violation at Leaf: Summary

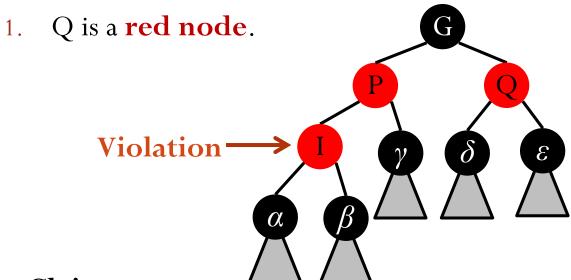
- For Case 2 (Q is empty; I is P's **left** child) and Case 3 (Q is empty; I is P's **right** child), **we're done**.
- For Case 1 (Q is a **red leaf**), we may recurse.
  - Violation of red rule.



- Caused by moving the violation up the tree.
- When violating, its **parent** is **red** and its **grandparent** is **black**.
- <u>Assume</u>: 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.

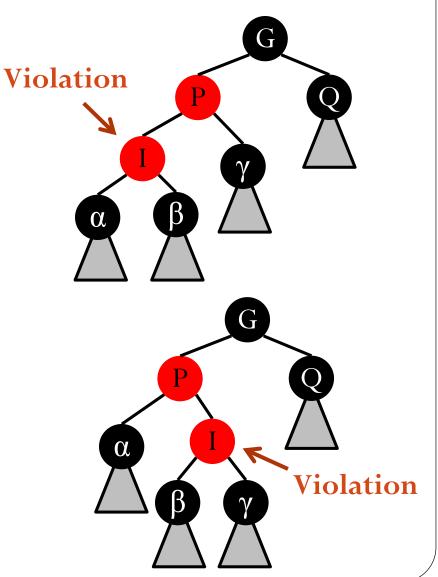


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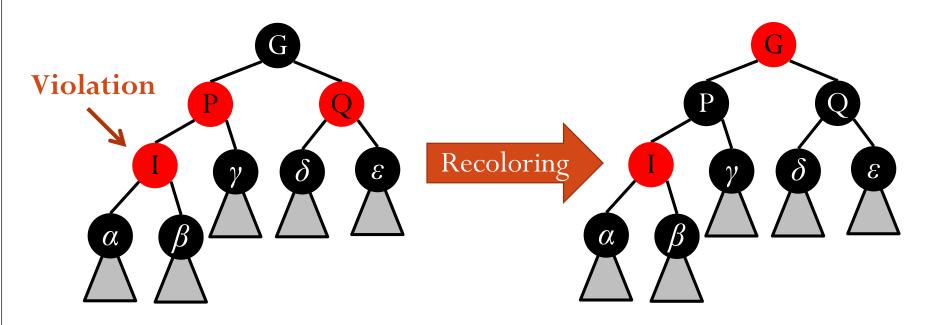


- Claim:
  - $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\gamma$ ,  $\delta$ ,  $\epsilon$  are trees with black root.
  - $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\gamma$ ,  $\delta$ ,  $\epsilon$  have the <u>same</u> black height.

- 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 <u>same</u> <u>black</u> <u>height</u>.

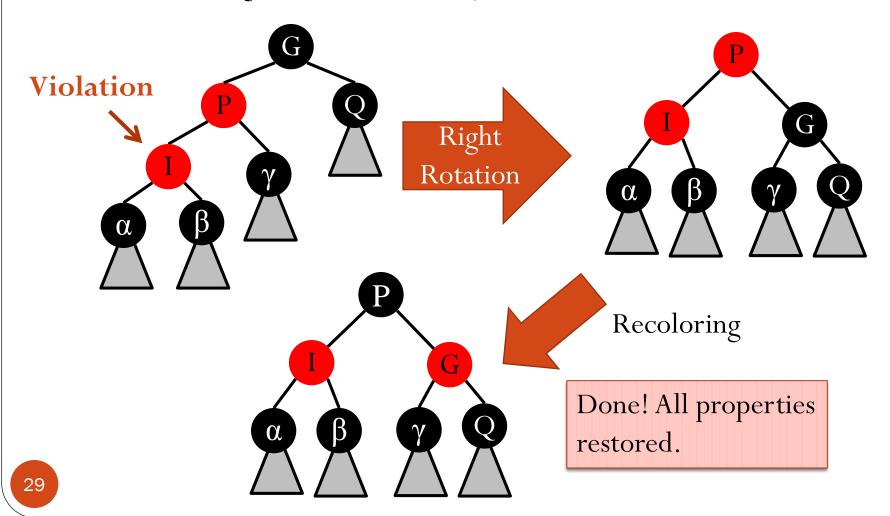


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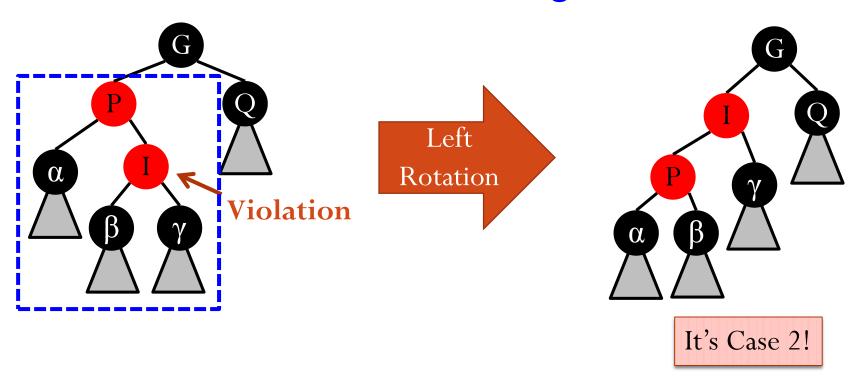


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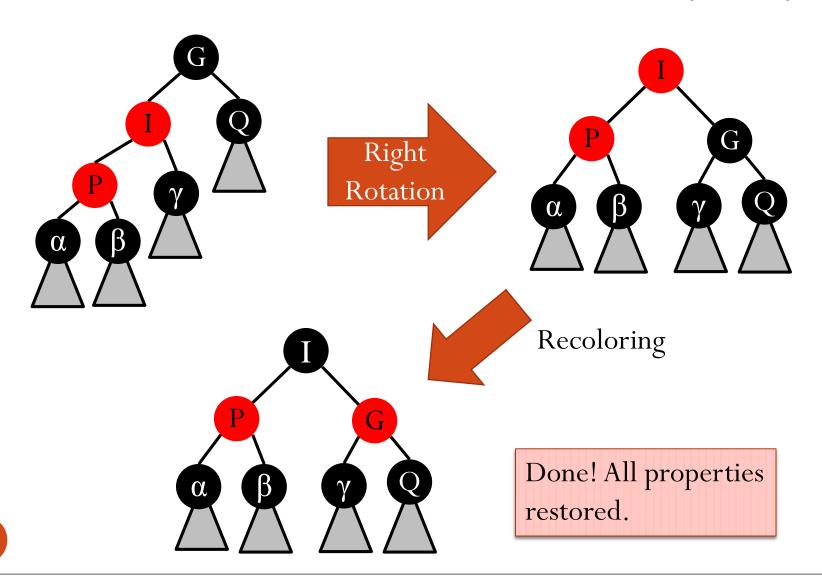
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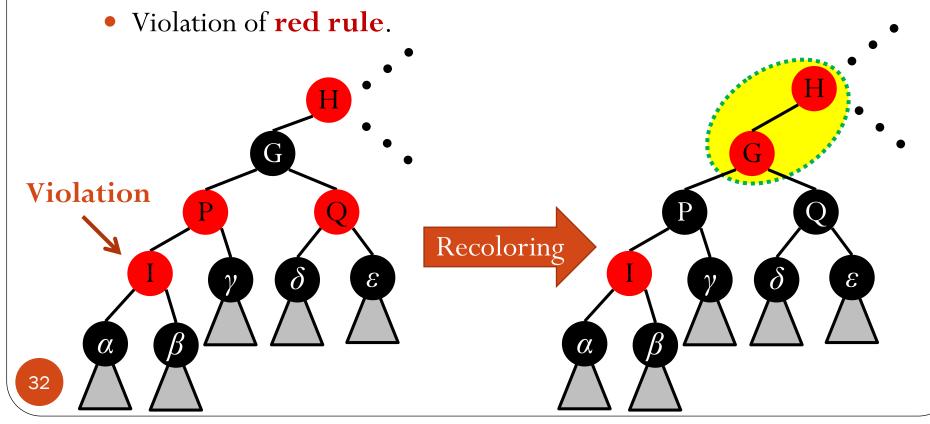


#### Violation at Internal Nodes: Case 3 (cont.)



### Violation at Internal Nodes: Summary

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



# 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.

Recoloring
Root

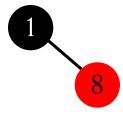
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# Example

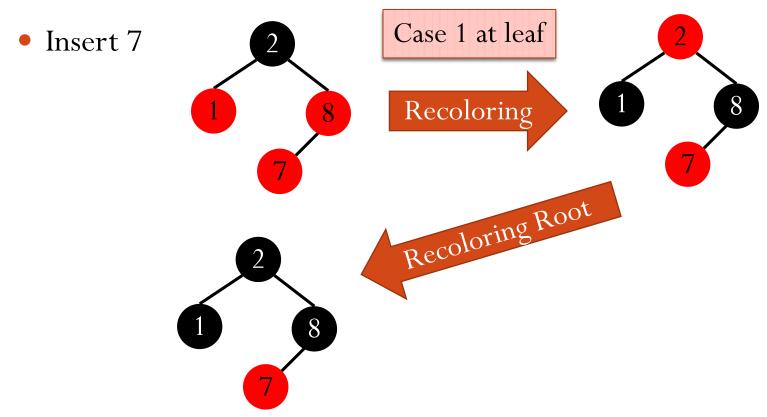
• Insert 1



• Insert 8

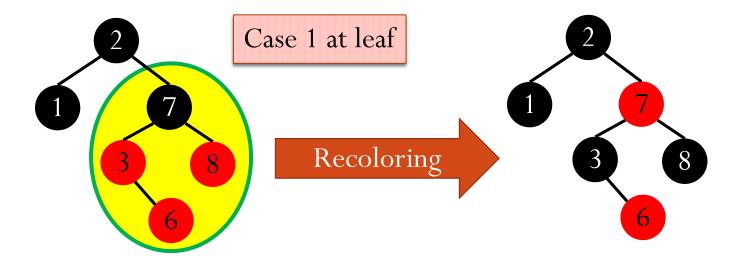


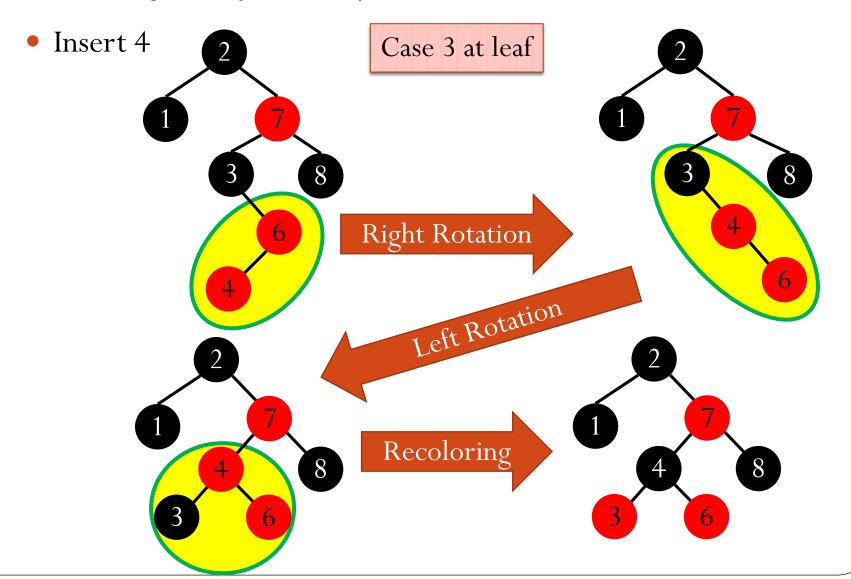
• Insert 2 Case 3 at leaf Right Rotation Left Rotation Recoloring

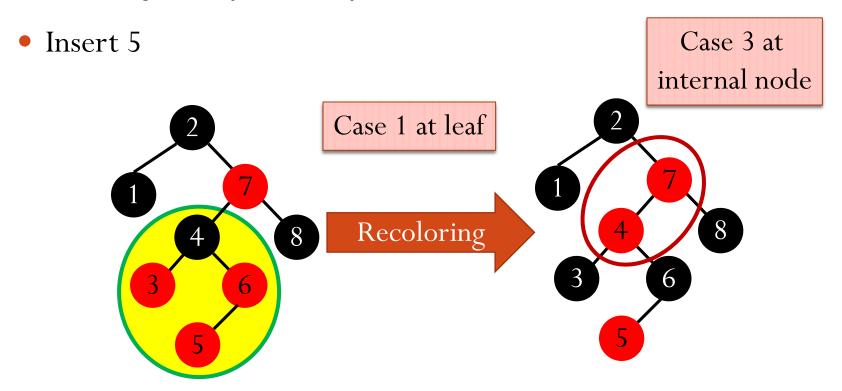


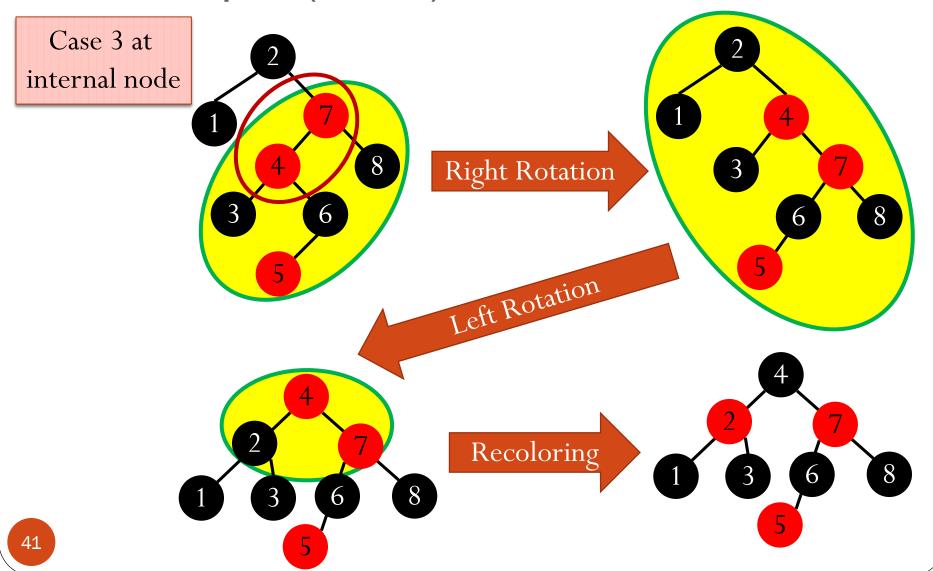
• Insert 3 Case 2 at leaf Right Rotation Recoloring

• Insert 6









# 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  $O(\log n)$ .