

Red-Black Trees

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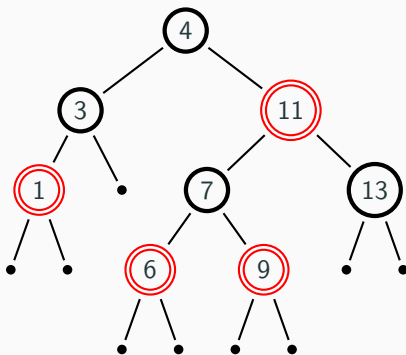
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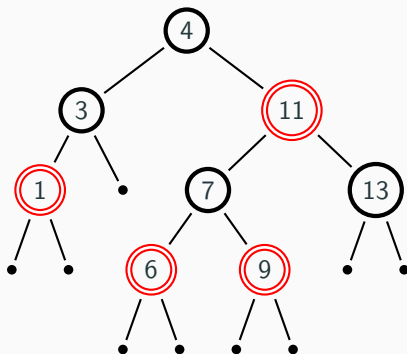
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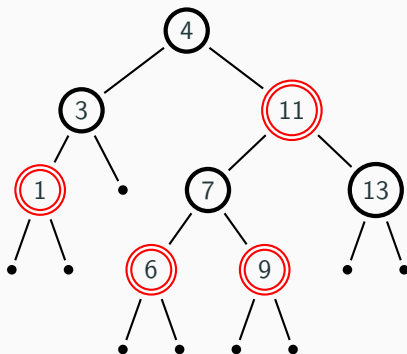


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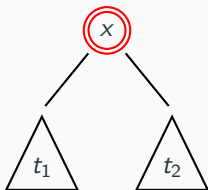

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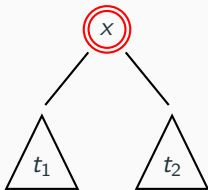
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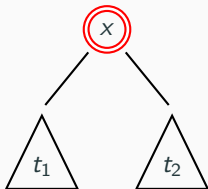
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The element must be a correct **Binary Search Tree** and

It must satisfy the extra **Red-Black properties**

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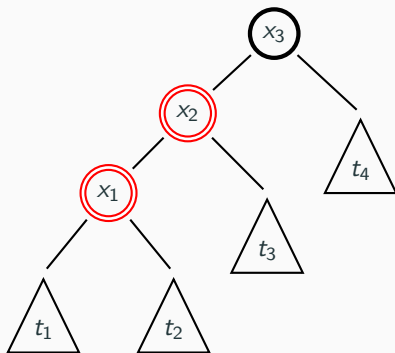
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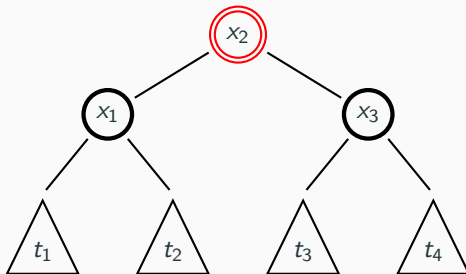
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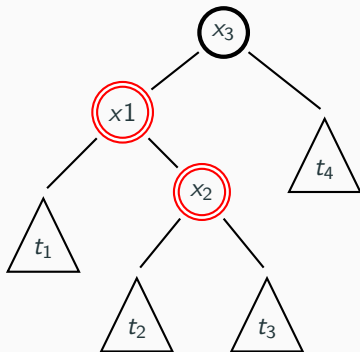
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No consecutive red nodes any more

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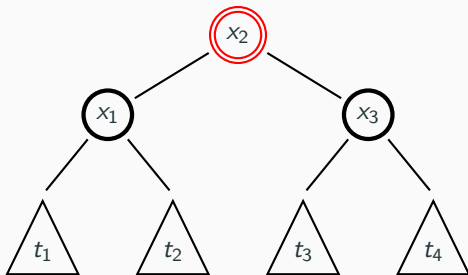


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Haskell program that fixes one double occurrence of red nodes:
It receives the input tree already divided into
color, left-child, key, right-child

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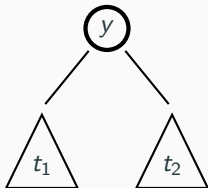
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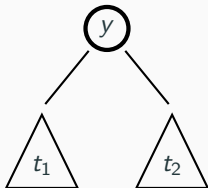
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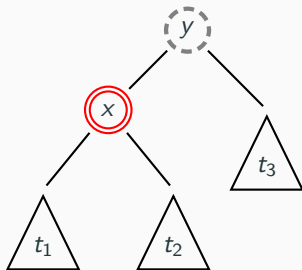
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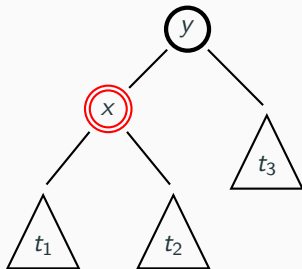
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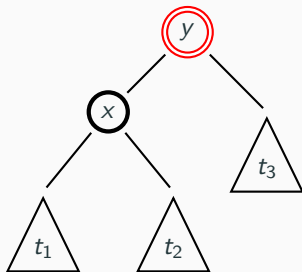
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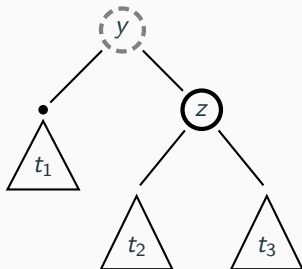


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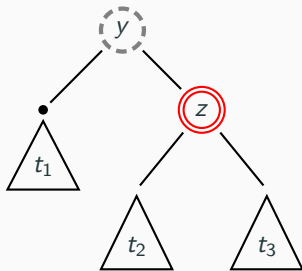
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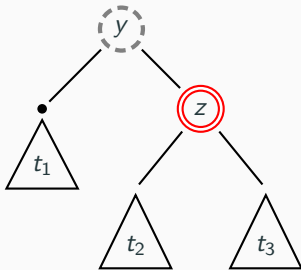
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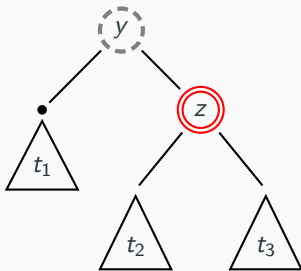


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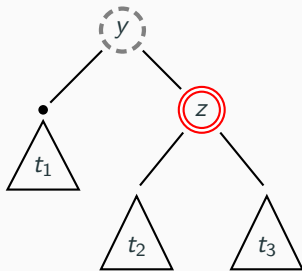
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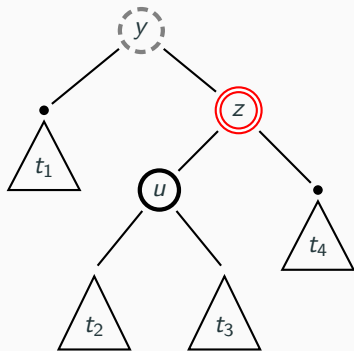
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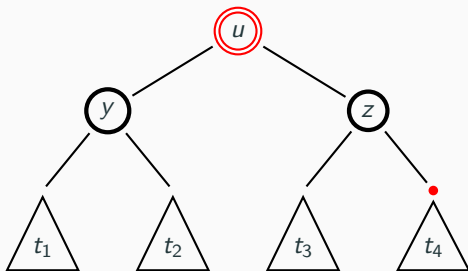


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      (balance Black t3 z (redRoot t4))
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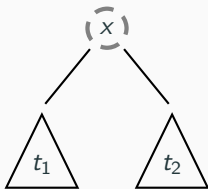
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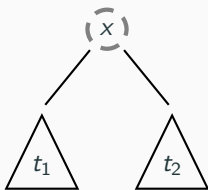


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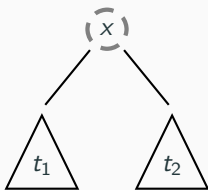
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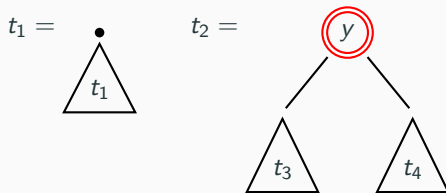
We must come up with a cleverer way of fusing t_1 and t_2

`fuse :: RBTREE -> RBTREE -> RBTREE`

We know that all elements of t_1 are smaller than all elements of t_2

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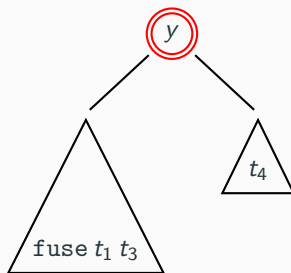
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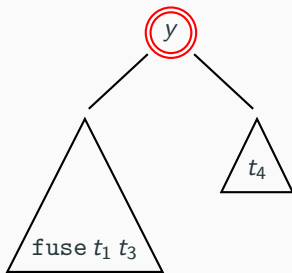
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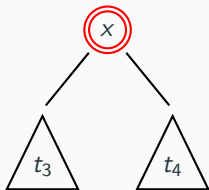
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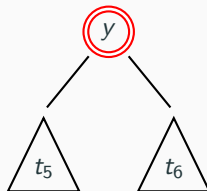
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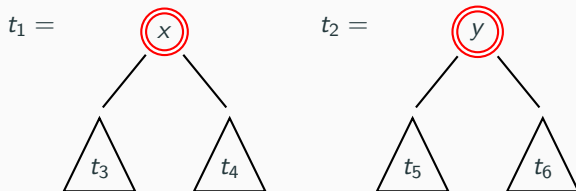


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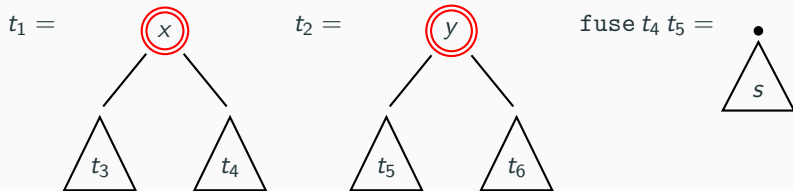
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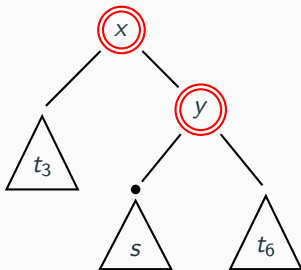


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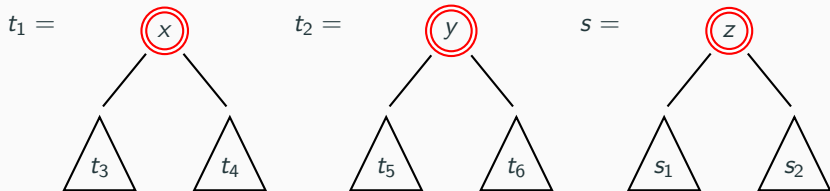


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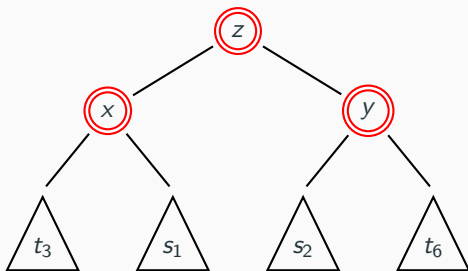


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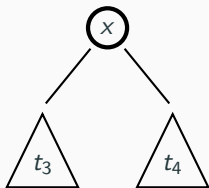
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There are double red nodes on both sides, but the top node will be recolored black either by `balL` or `balR` or `delete`, according to where we deleted: left, right, or root

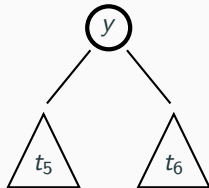
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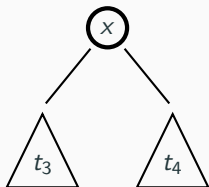
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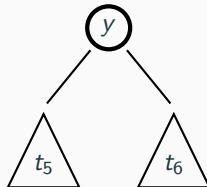
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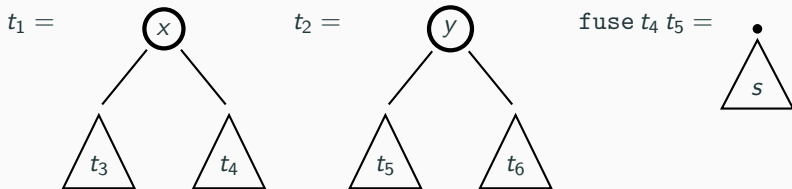
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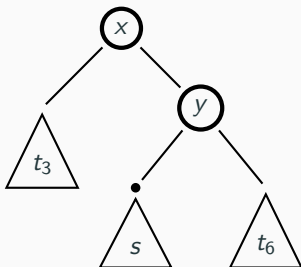


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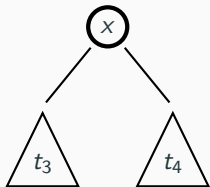
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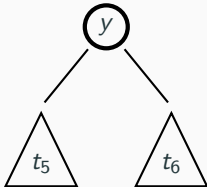
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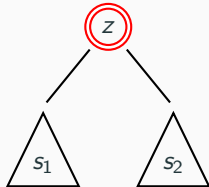
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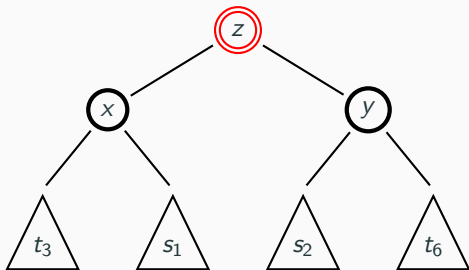


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The main delete function

Having defined all the auxiliary functions, we can now simply implement the main delete function:

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delete x t = blackRoot (del x t)

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del x LeafRB = LeafRB
del x (NodeRB _ t1 y t2)
  | x < y = delL x t1 y t2      -- delete from left child
  | x > y = delR x t1 y t2      -- delete from right child
  | otherwise = fuse t1 t2      -- delete root, fuse children
```