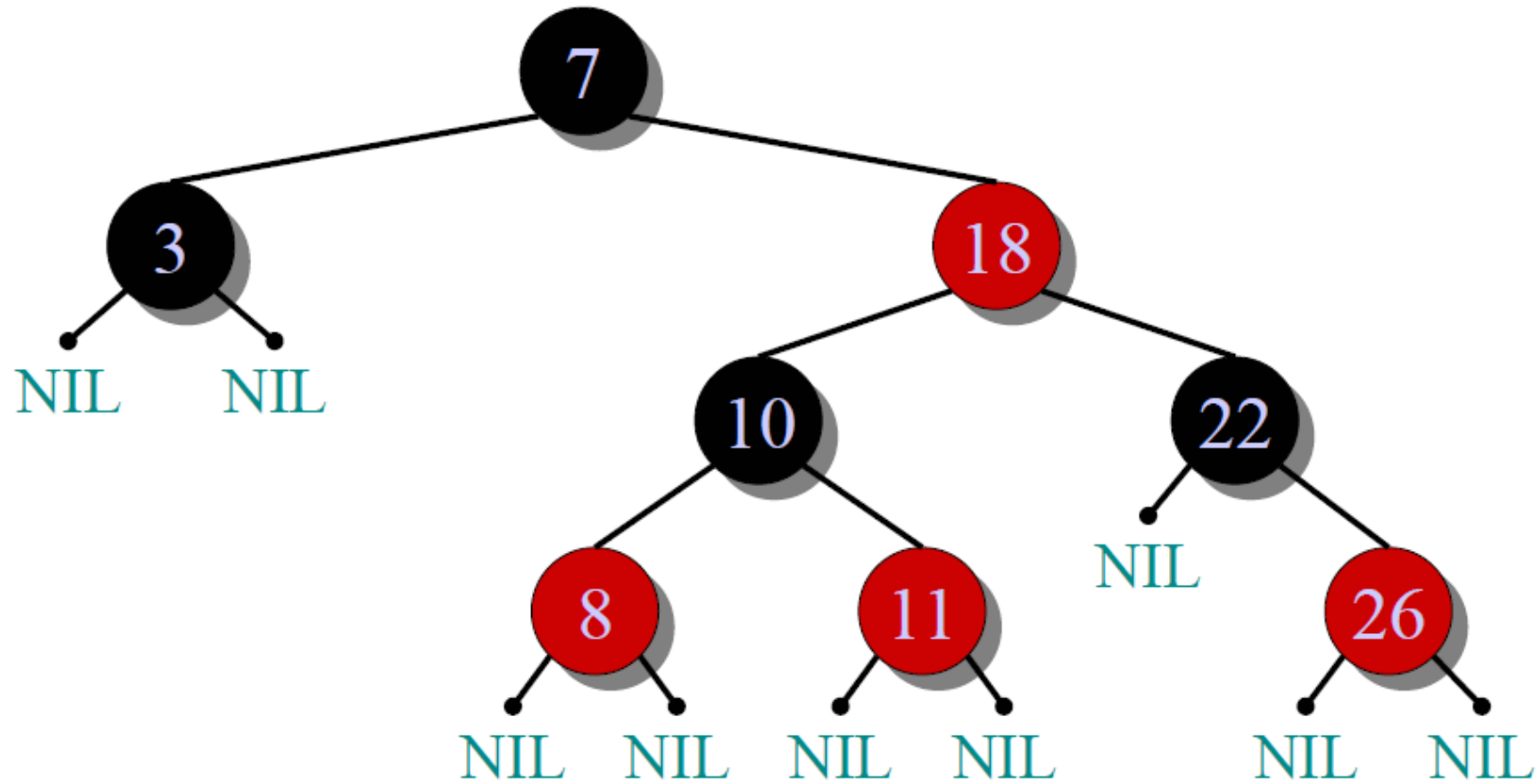


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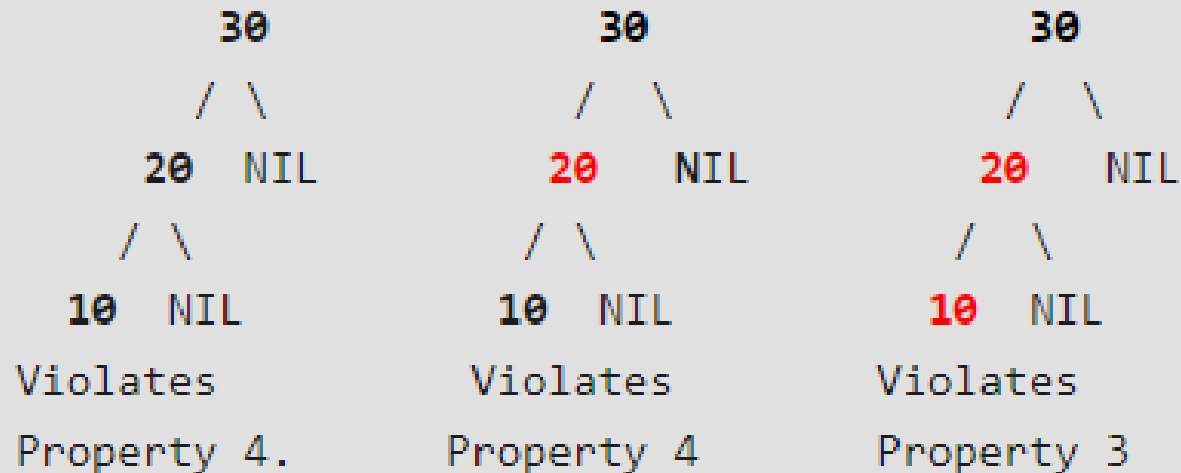
→ **Red-Black Tree is not always a balanced tree.**



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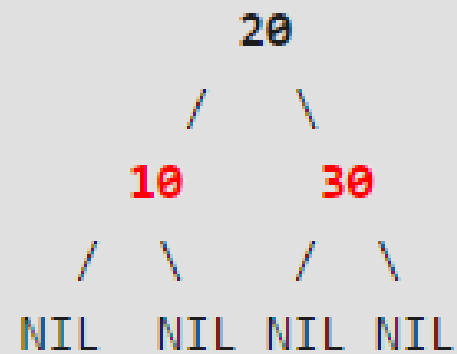
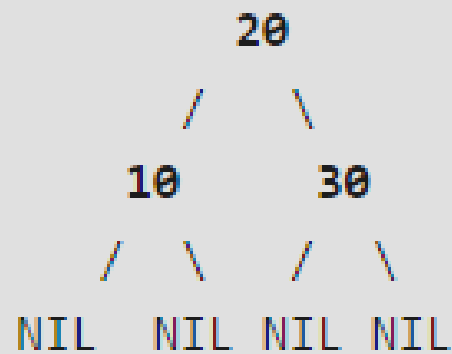
A chain of 3 nodes is not possible in Red-Black Trees.  
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# Insertion

**The goal of the insert operation is to insert key  $K$  into tree  $T$ , maintaining  $T$ 's red-black tree properties**

# Insertion

**If  $T$  is a non-empty tree, then we do the following:**

- 1. Use the BST insert algorithm to add  $K$  to the tree**
- 2. Color the node containing  $K$  red**
- 3. Restore red-black tree properties (if necessary)**

# Insertion

**To restore the violated property, we use:**

- 1. Recoloring**
- 2. Rotation (Left, Right, Double)**

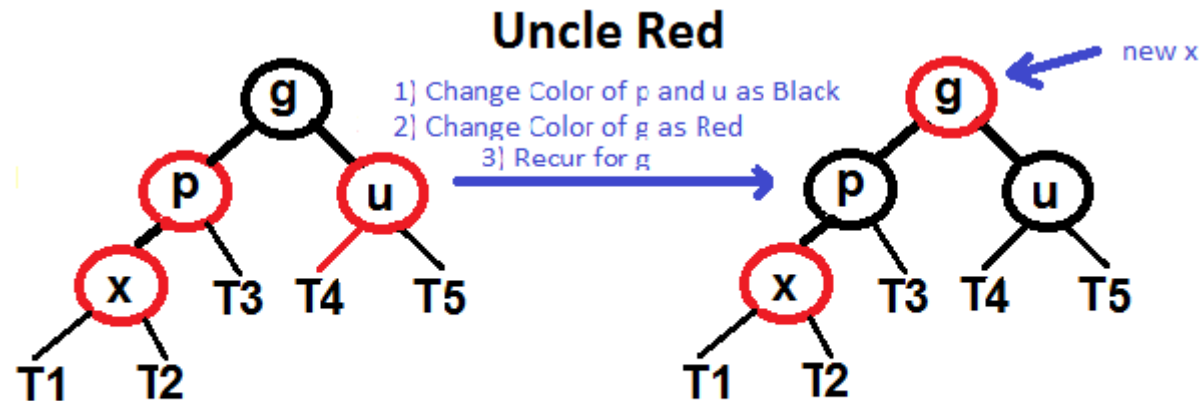
**We try recoloring first, if recoloring doesn't work, then we go for rotation.**

# Insertion

- 1) **Perform standard BST insertion and make the color of newly inserted nodes as RED.**
- 2) **If x is root, change color of x as BLACK (Black height of complete tree increases by 1).**
- 3) **Do following if color of x's parent is not BLACK and x is not root.**

# Insertion

- a. If x's uncle is RED (Grand parent must have been black from property 4)
- I. Change color of parent and uncle as BLACK.
  - II. color of grand parent as RED.
  - III. Change x = x's grandparent, repeat steps 2 and 3 for new x.



x: Current Node, p: Parent, u: Uncle, g: Grandparent

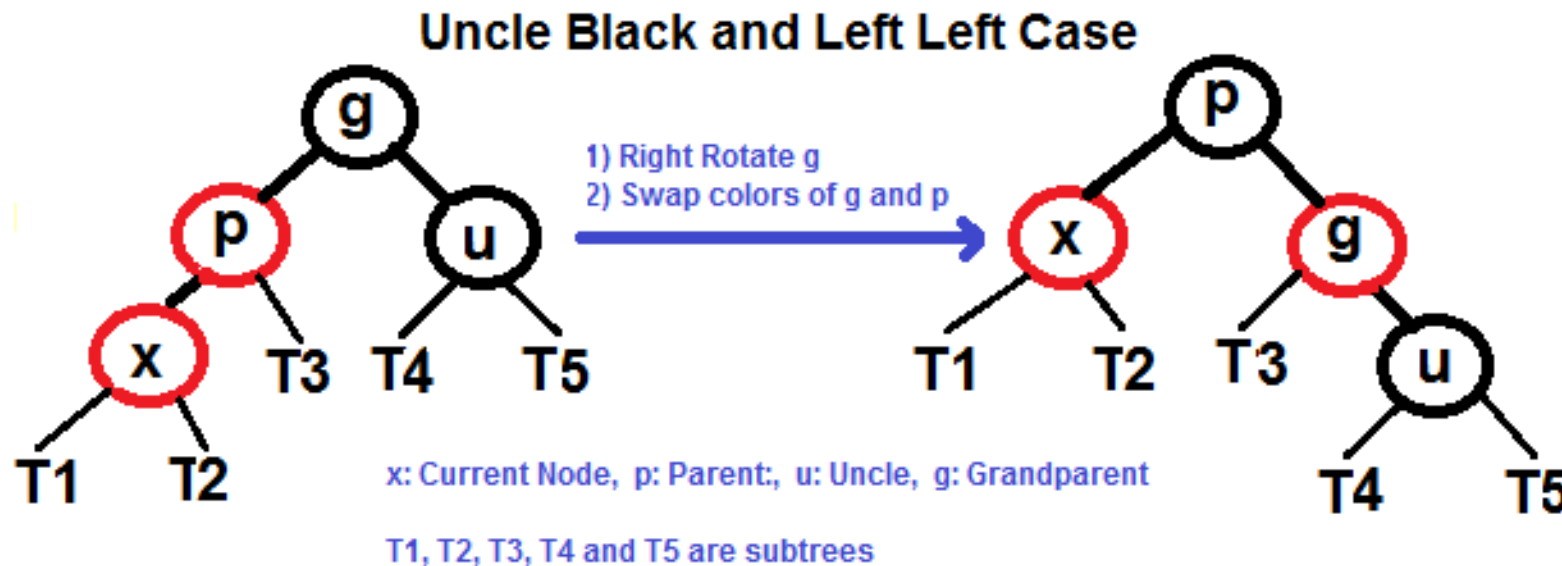
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# Insertion

- b. If x's uncle is BLACK, then there can be four configurations for x, x's parent (p) and x's grandparent (g)**
  - I. Left Left Case (p is left child of g and x is left child of p)**
  - II. Left Right Case (p is left child of g and x is right child of p)**
  - III. Right Right Case (Mirror of case i)**
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# Insertion

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`rotateRight(root, g)`  
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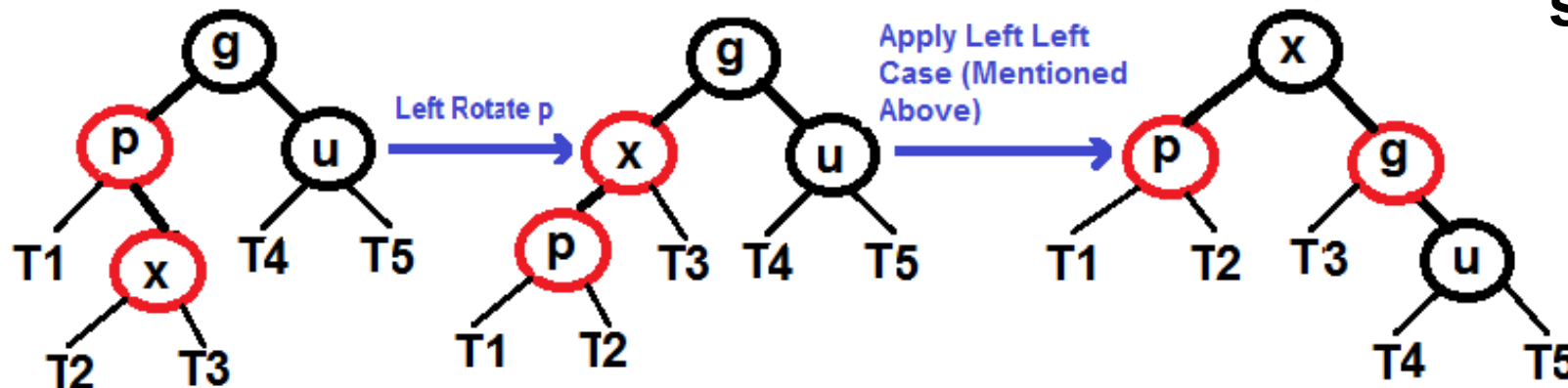


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Uncle Black and Left Right Case



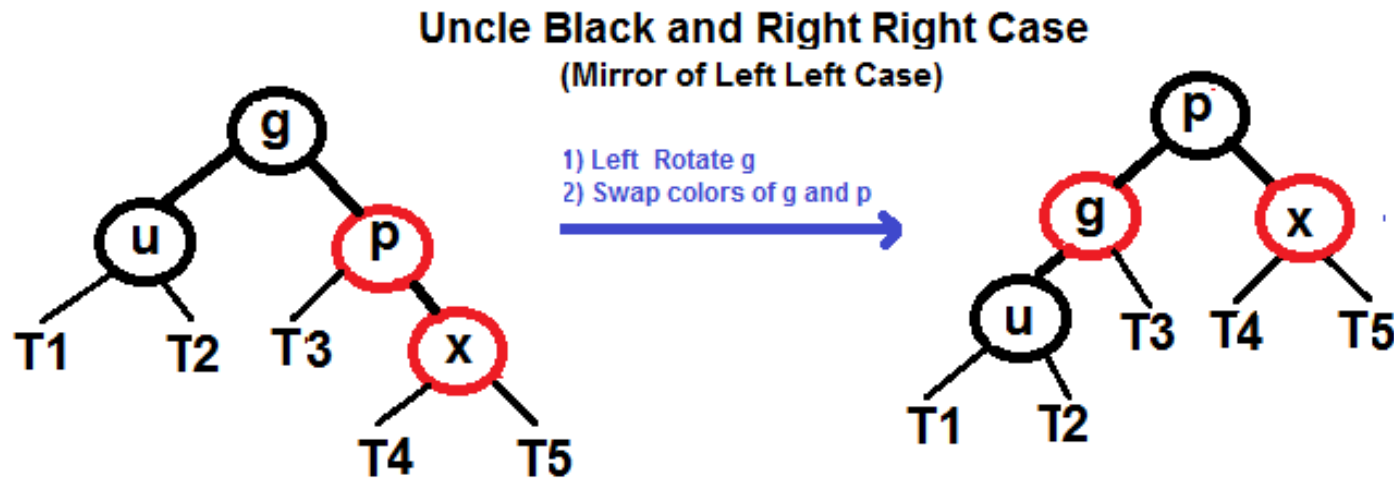
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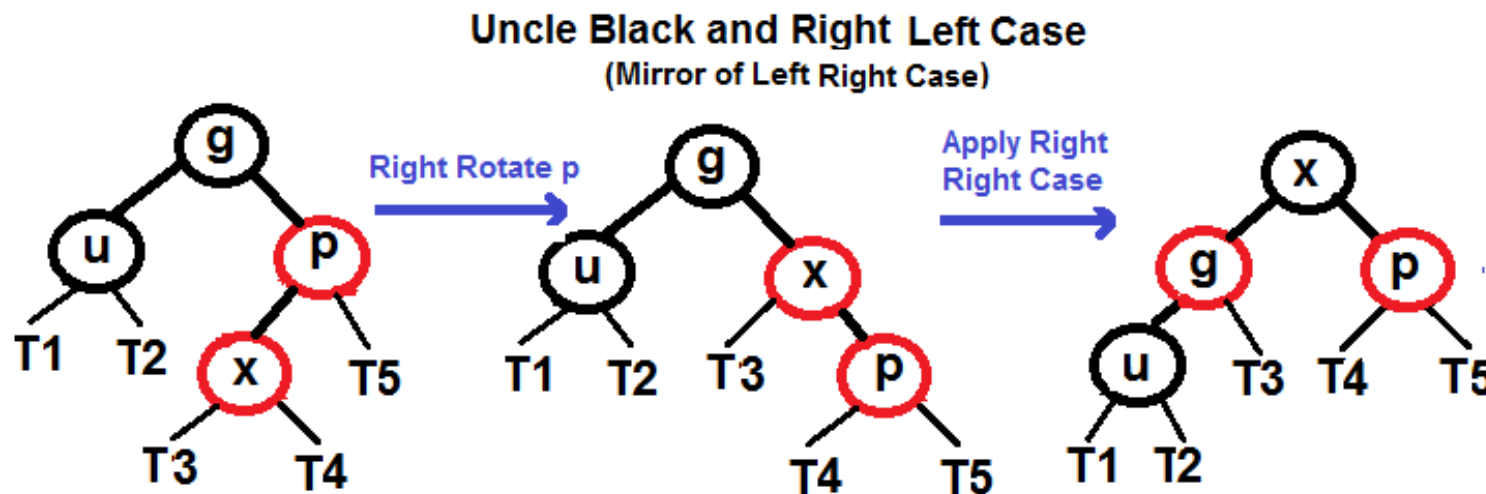


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# Insertion Analysis

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

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

# Example of Insertion

11  
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14  
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15

# Example of Insertion

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**Insert 11**

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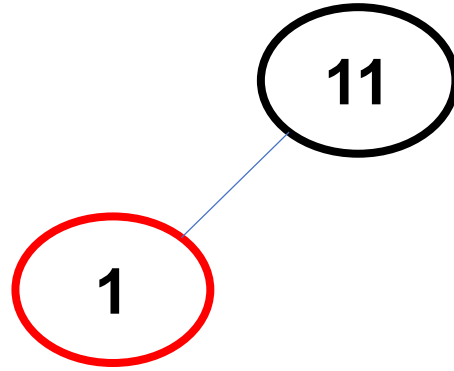
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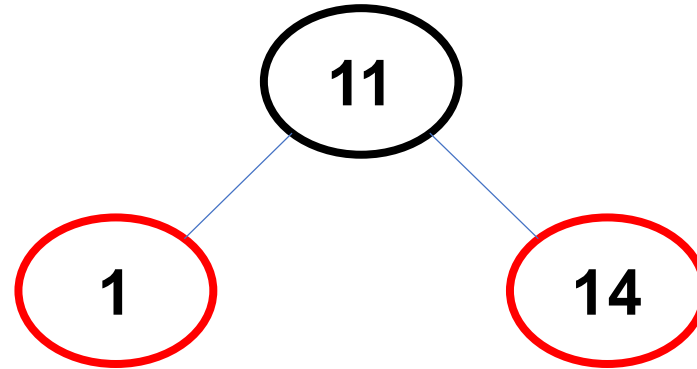


**Insert 1**

**11**  
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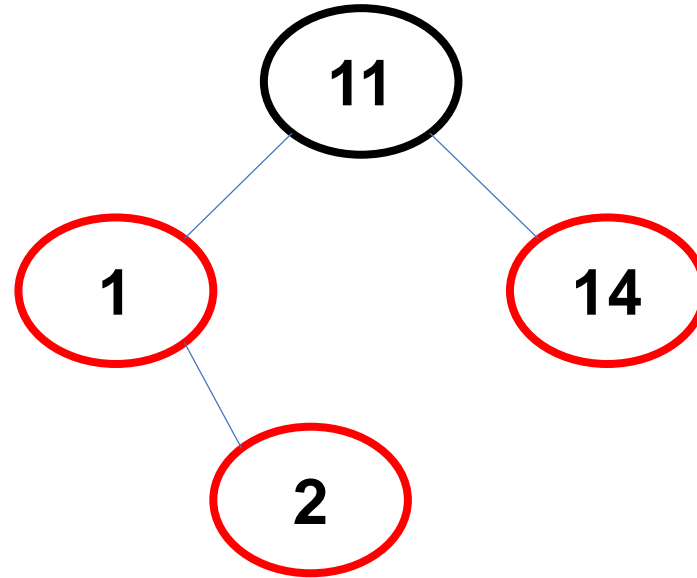
# Example of Insertion



**Insert 14**

**11**  
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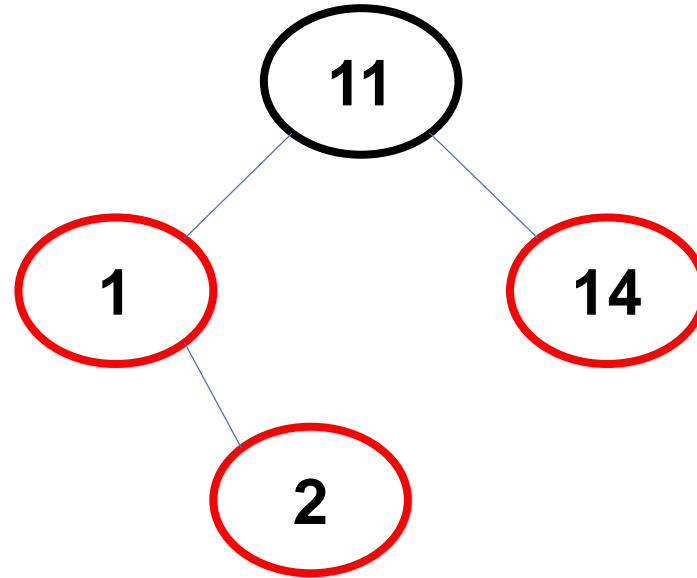
# Example of Insertion



**Insert 2**

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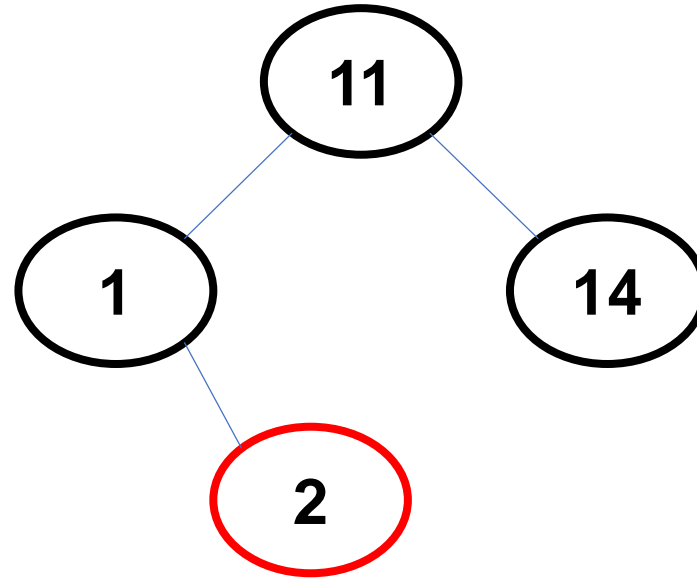


If X's uncle is RED and X's parent is not BLACK,  
change color of parent and uncle as BLACK

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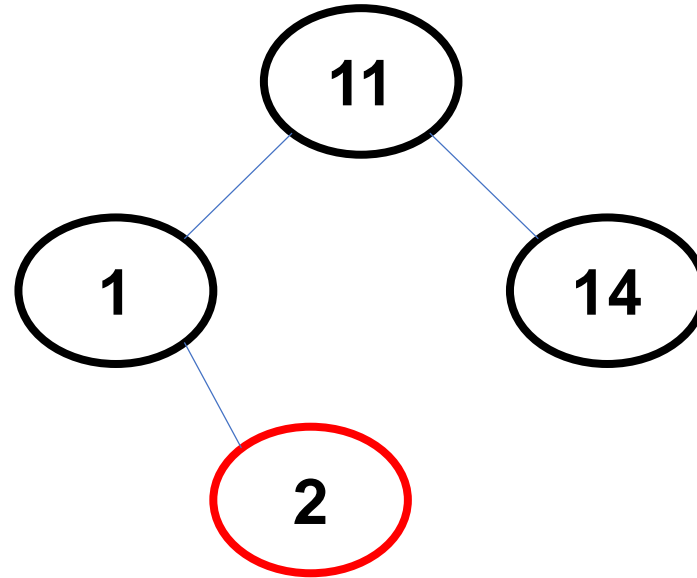
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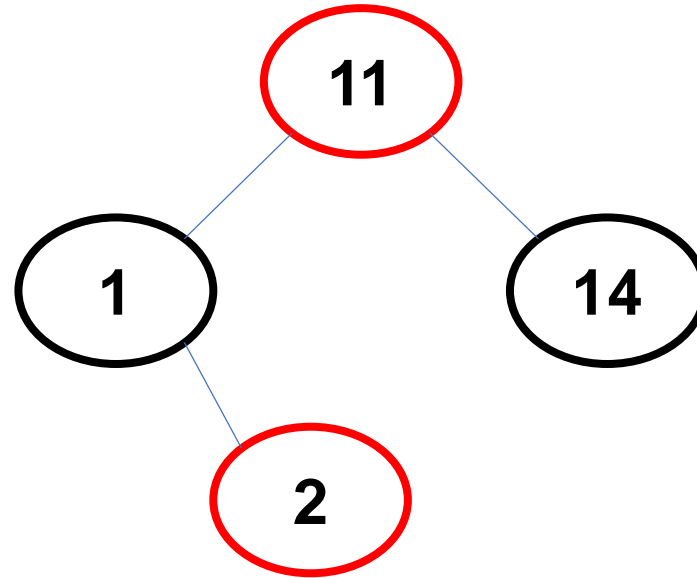


Color of Grand parent as RED

Insert 2

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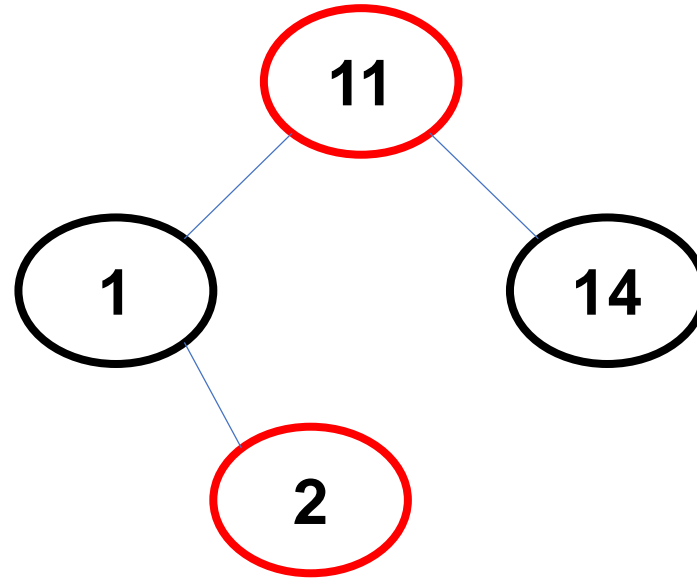
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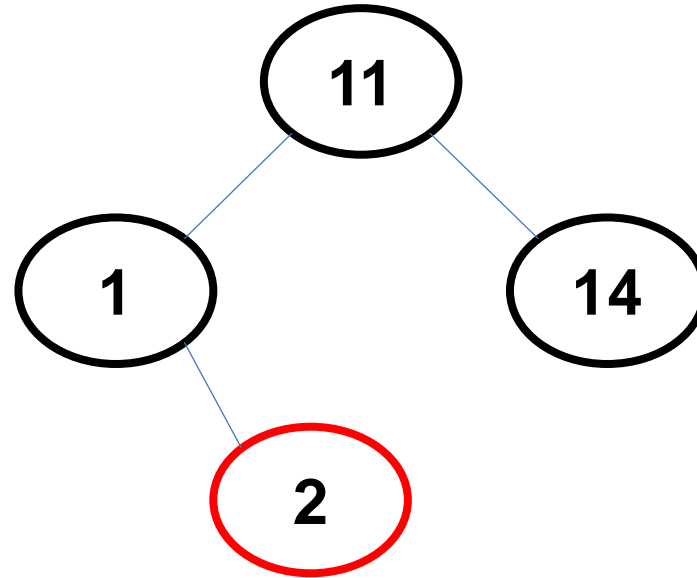


**Insert 2**

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**As 11 is a root node, change its color to black**

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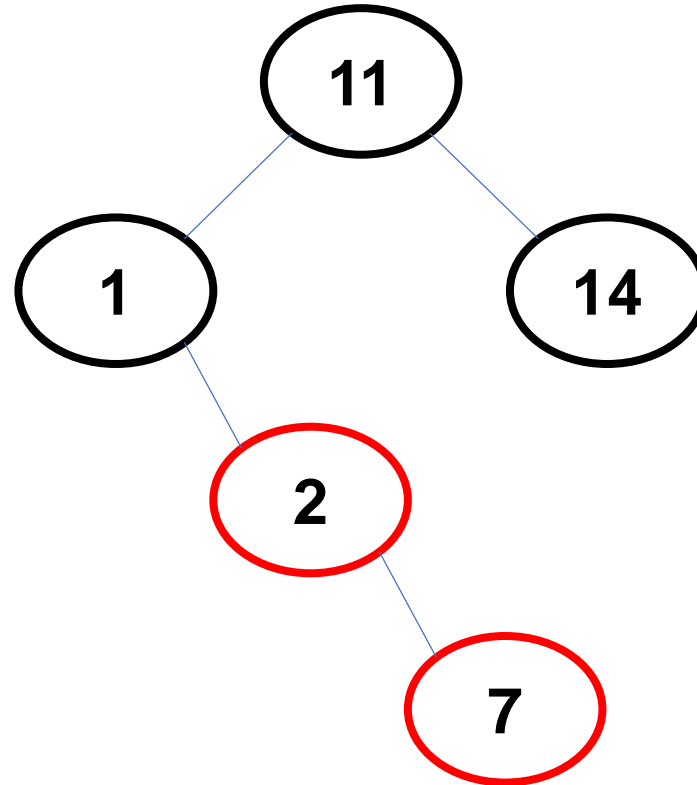


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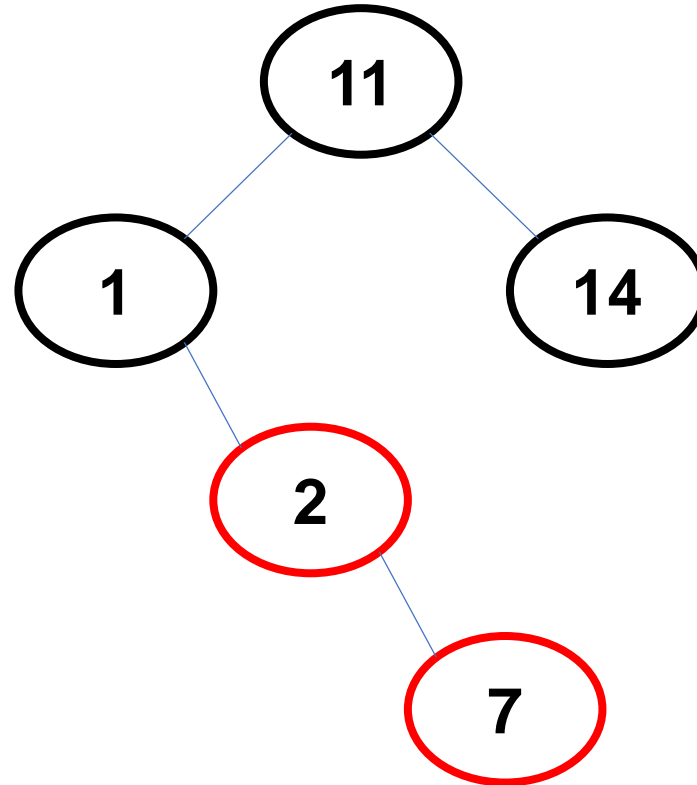
# Example of Insertion



**Insert 7**

**11  
1  
14  
2  
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15**

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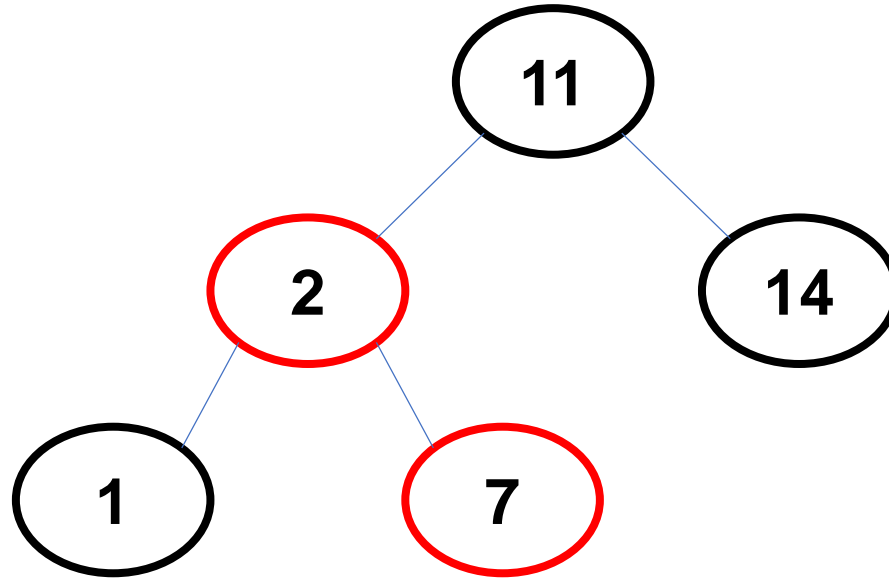


Left rotate(2) and recolor nodes

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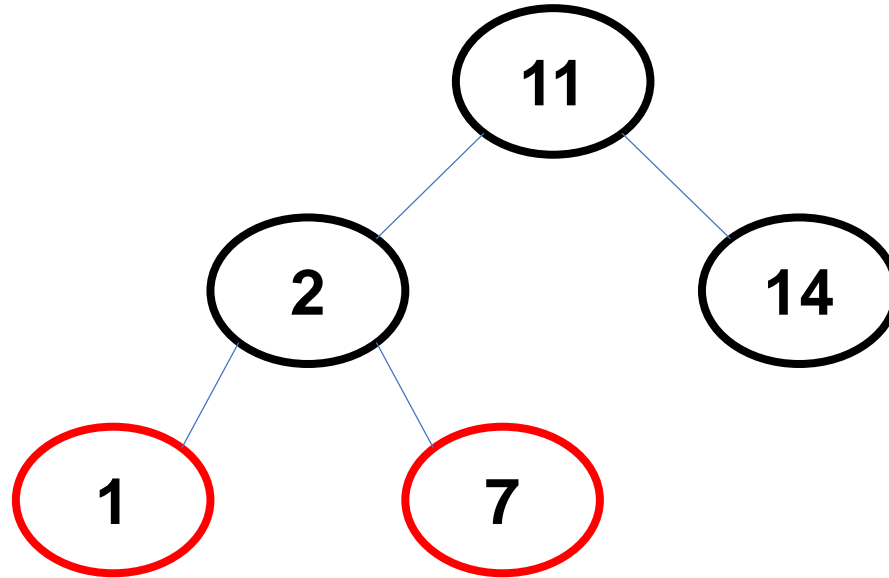
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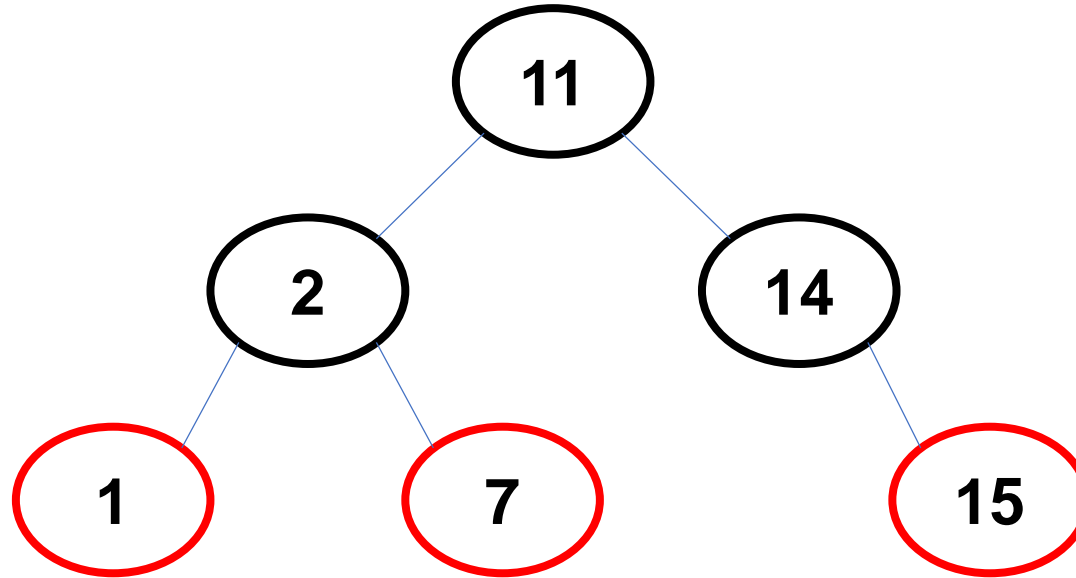
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**Insert 15**

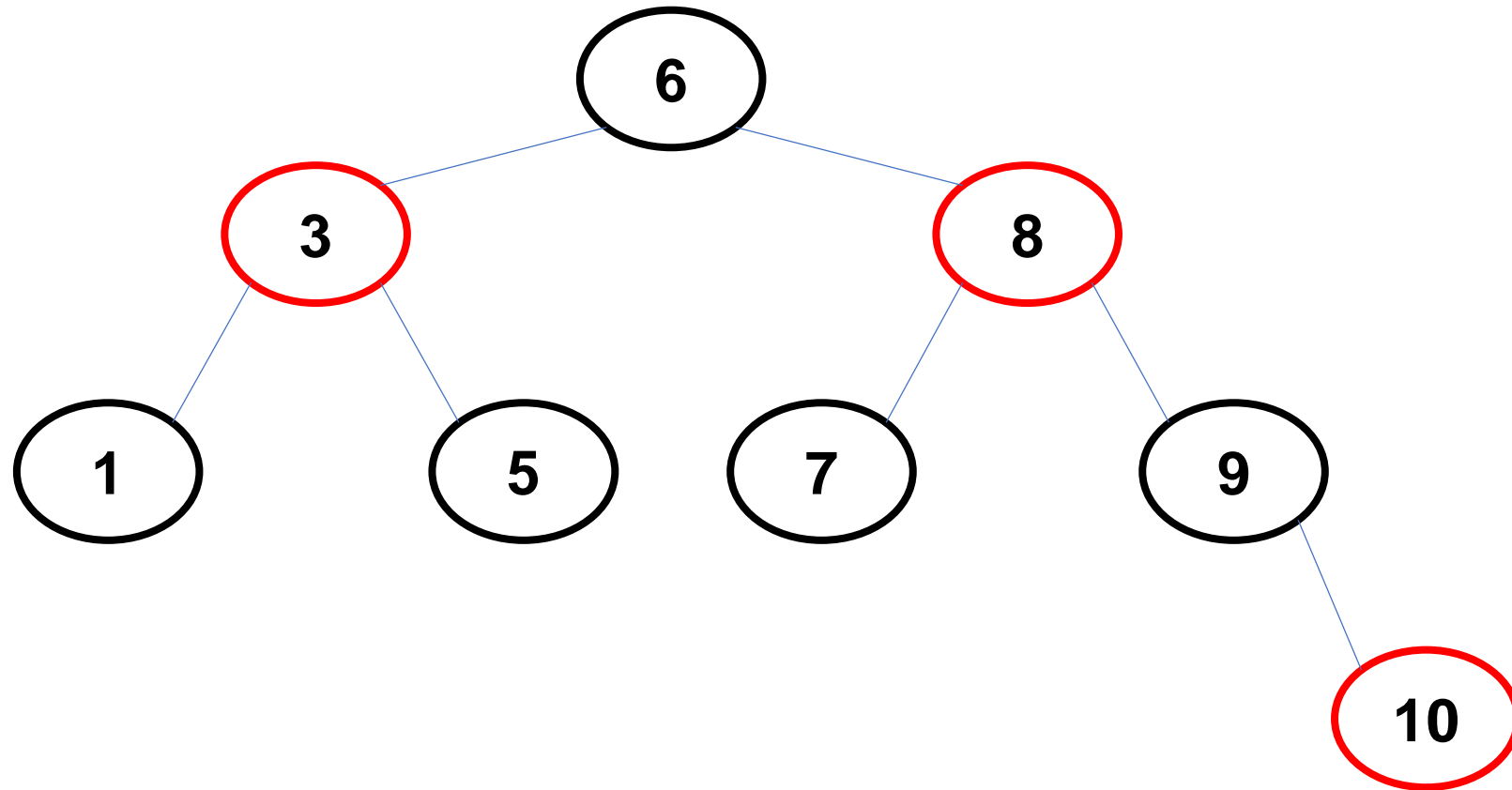
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# Exercise

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# Deletion

Like Insertion, recoloring and rotations are used to maintain the Red-Black properties.

In delete operation, **we check color of sibling** to decide the appropriate case.

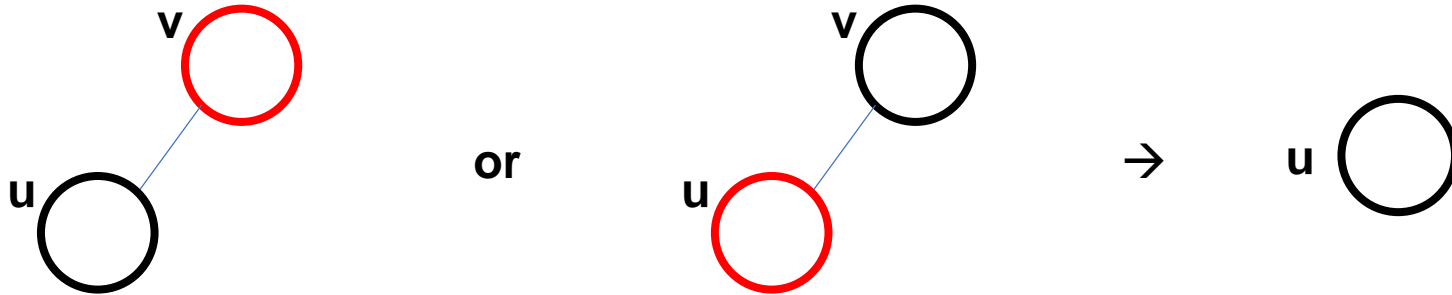


# Deletion

- **Delete as we delete from BST.**
  - **End up deleting the node which is either a leaf or has one child**
- **We delete an internal node from a BST simply by replacing it by its inorder successor and then we recursively call delete operation on inorder susccessor node.**
- **v: deleted node, u: the child that replaces v**

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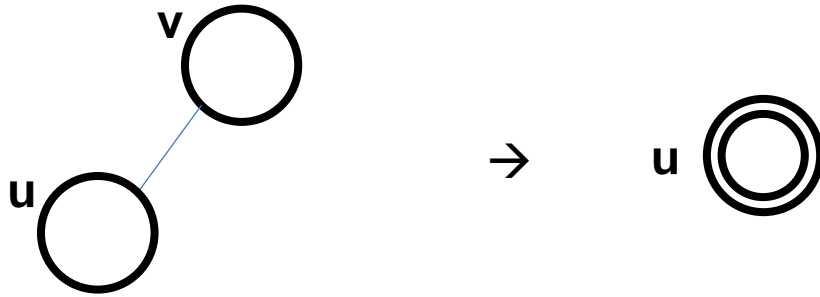
Either u or v is **RED**



$\rightarrow$  Replace  $v$  by  $u$ ,  $u$  will be a black node

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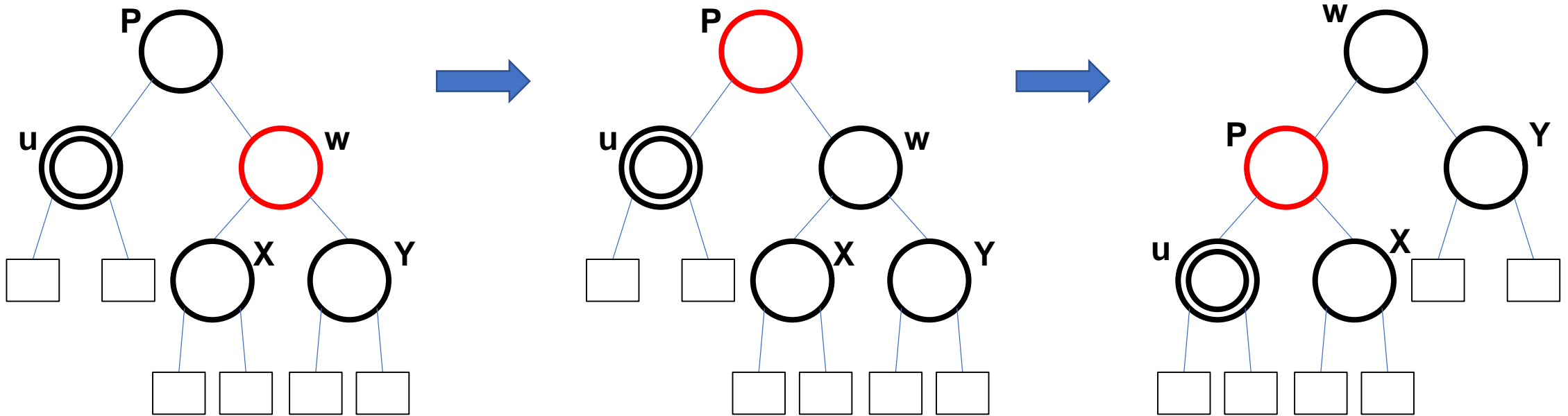
Both u and v are BLACK



→ If node u is root, make it single black

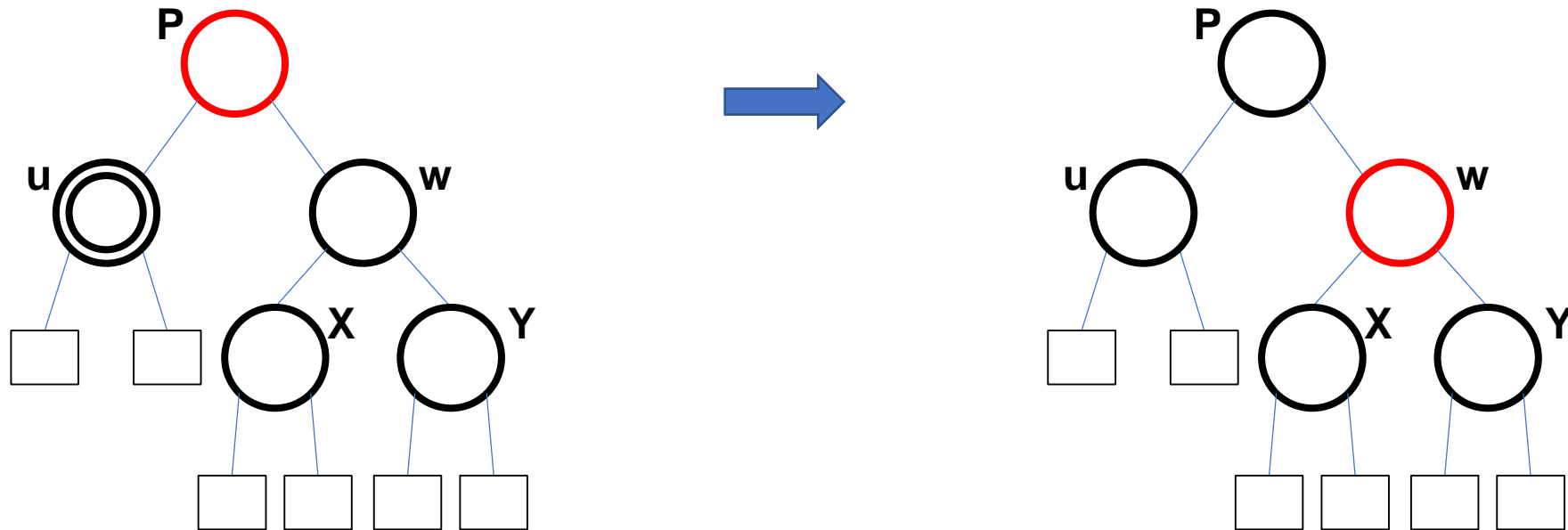
# Deletion (Case 1)

Node u's sibling w is **RED**



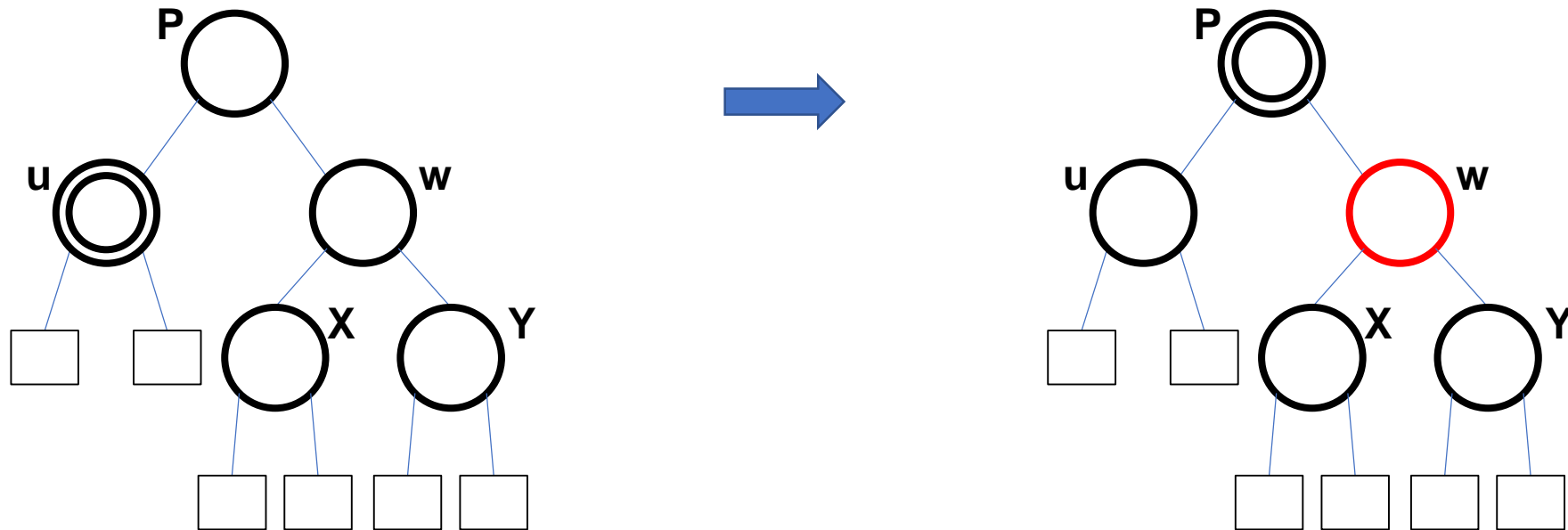
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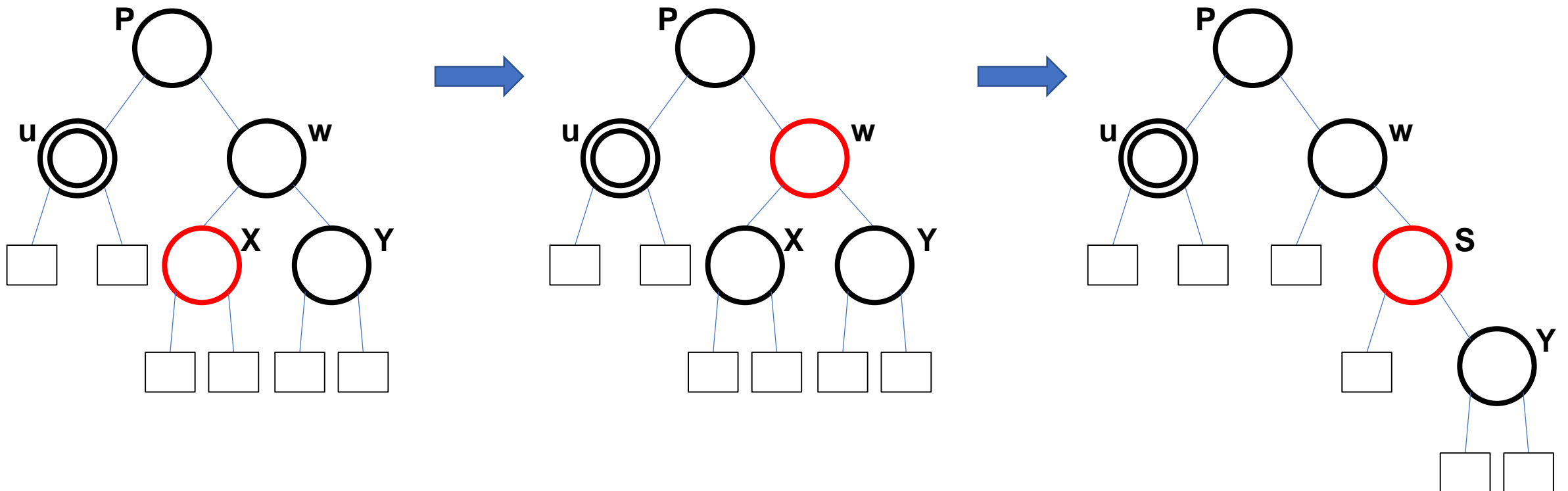
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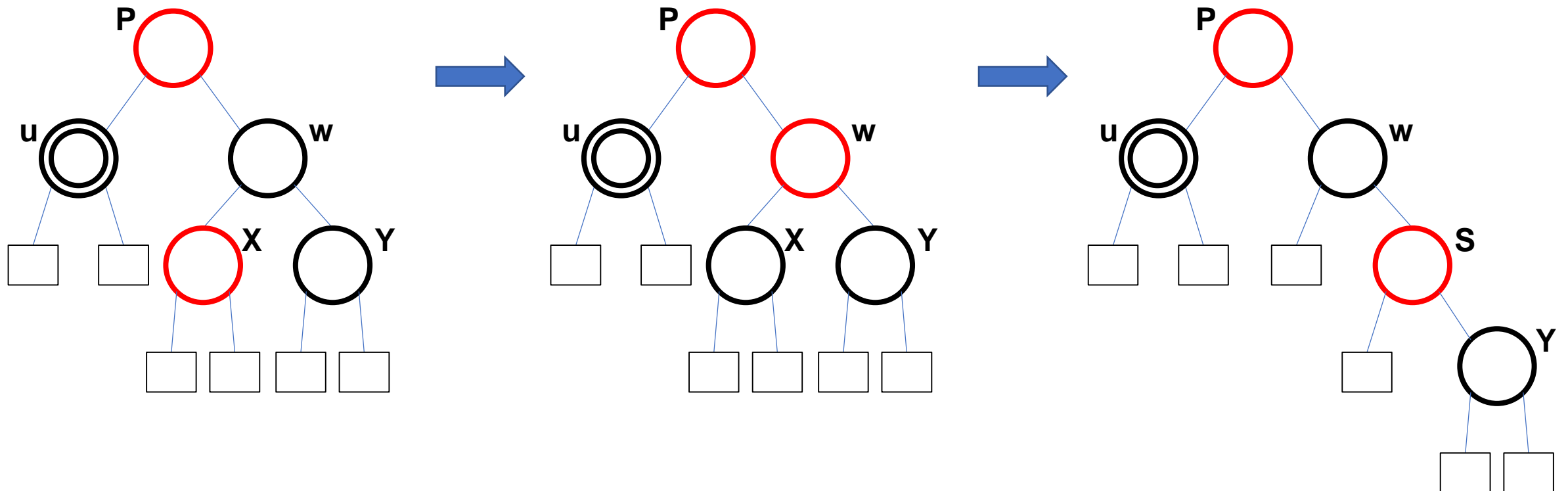
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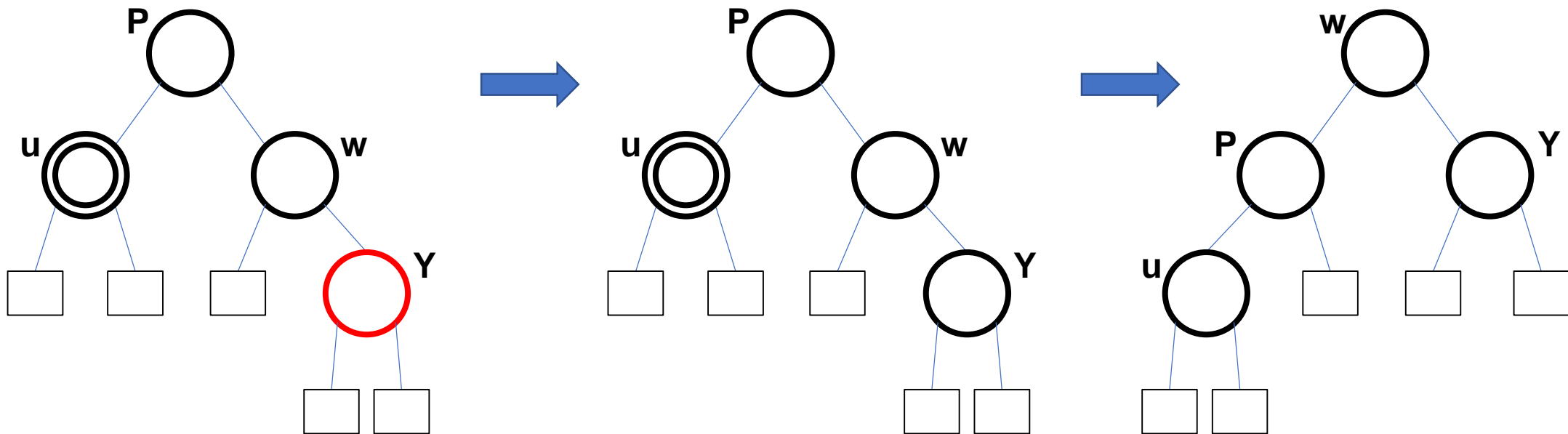
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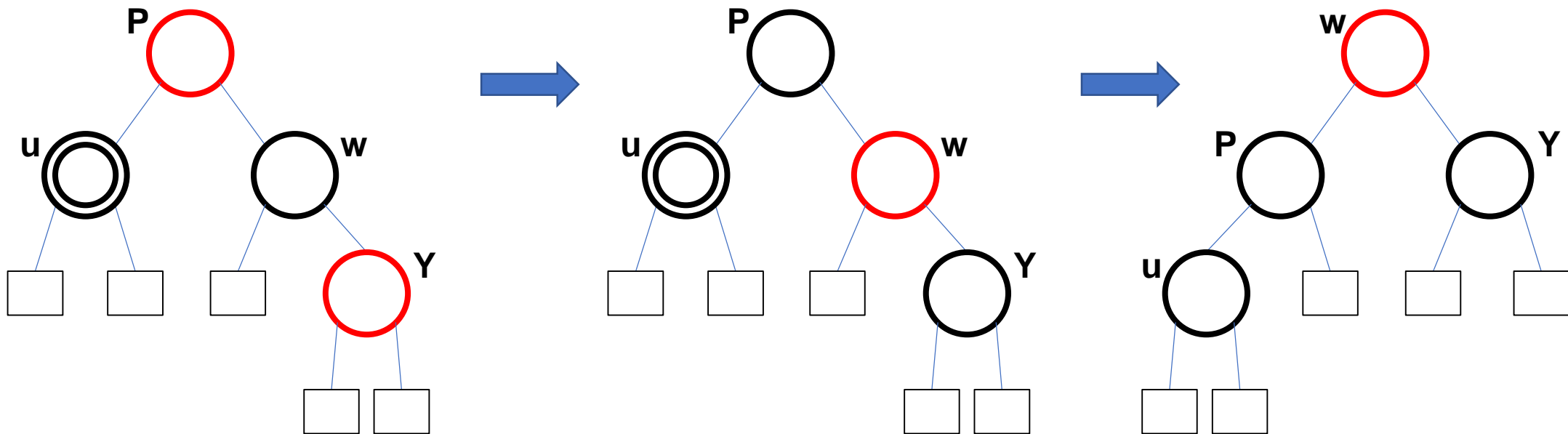
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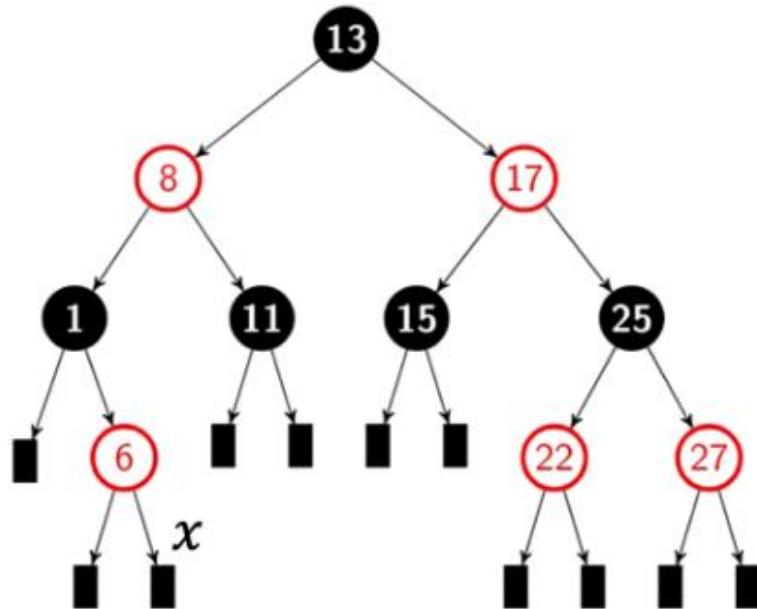


# Deletion Analysis

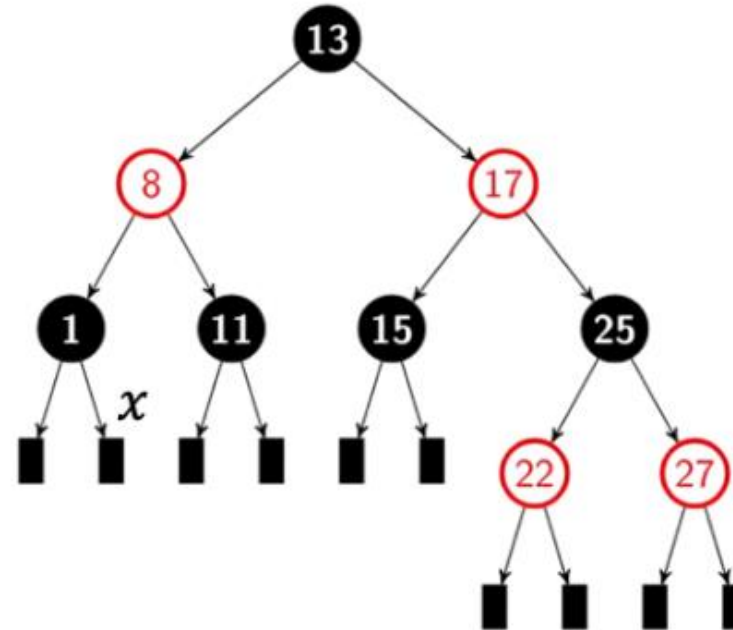
- Case 2 is the only case in which more iterations occur.  
→  $u$  moves up 1 level. Hence,  $O(\log n)$  iterations.
  - Each of cases 1, 3, and 4 has 1 rotation  
→  $\leq 3$  rotations in all
- Running time:  $O(\log n)$

# Example of Deletion (1)

Before deleting 6:

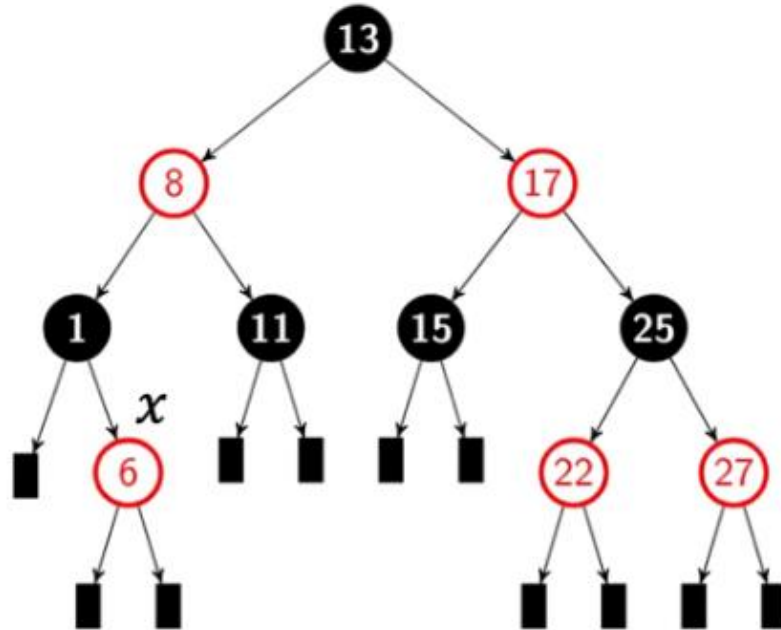


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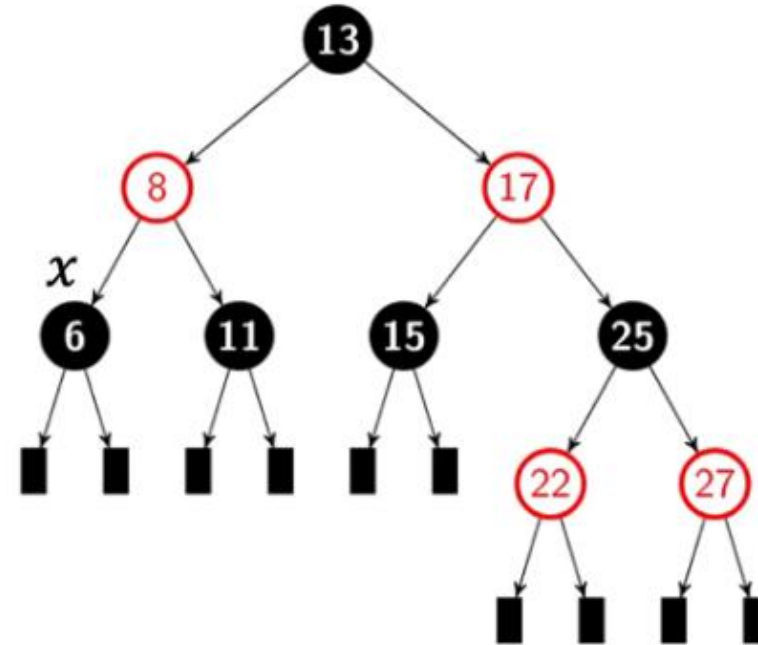


# Example of Deletion (2)

Before deleting 1:

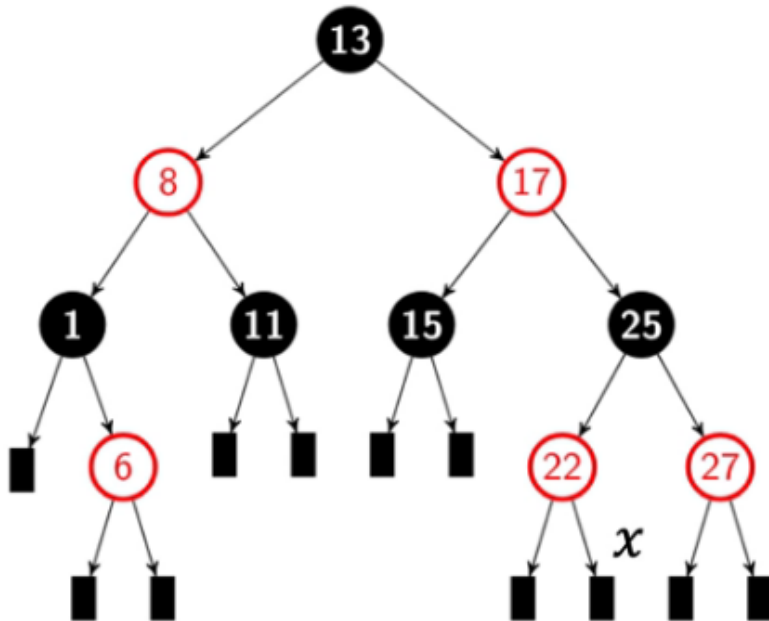


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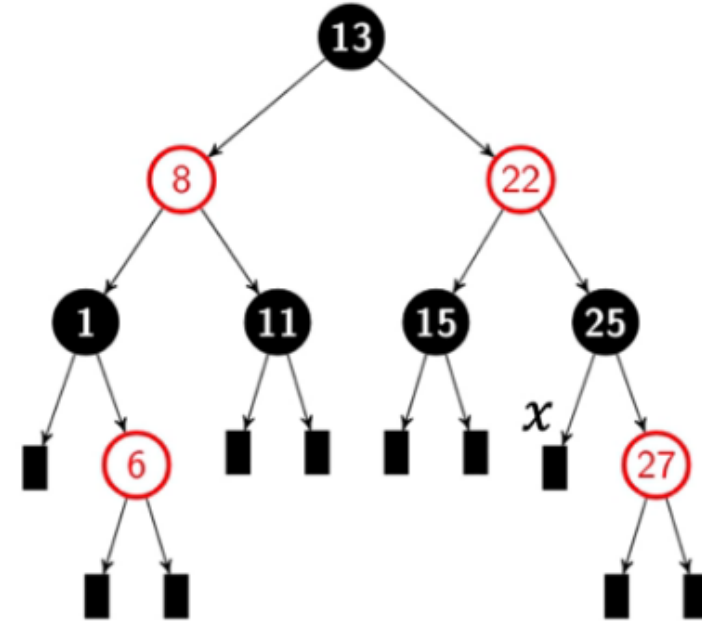


# Example of Deletion (3)

Before deleting 17:

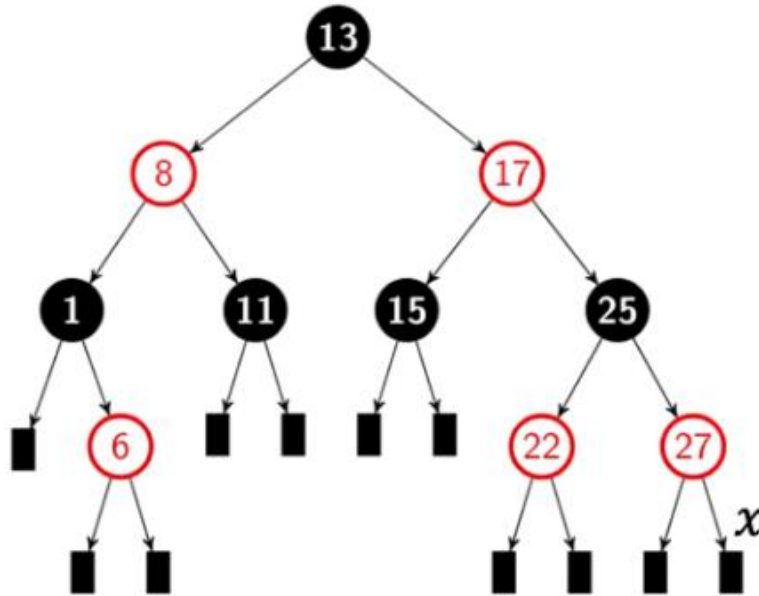


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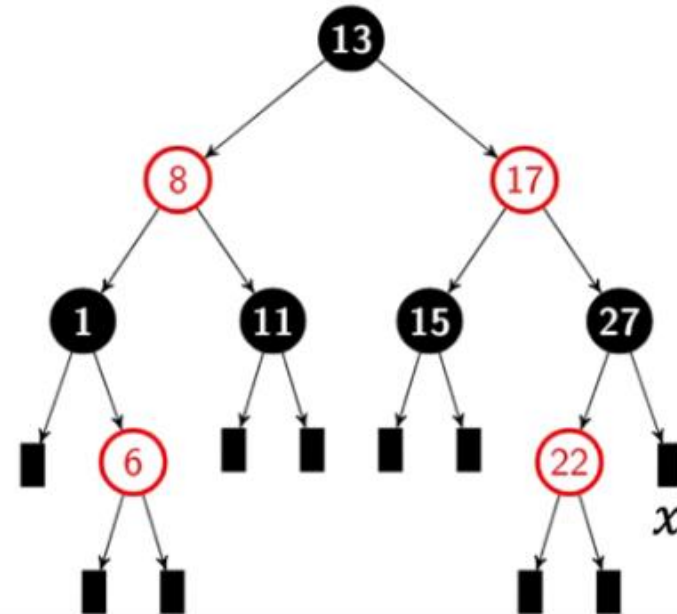


# Example of Deletion (4)

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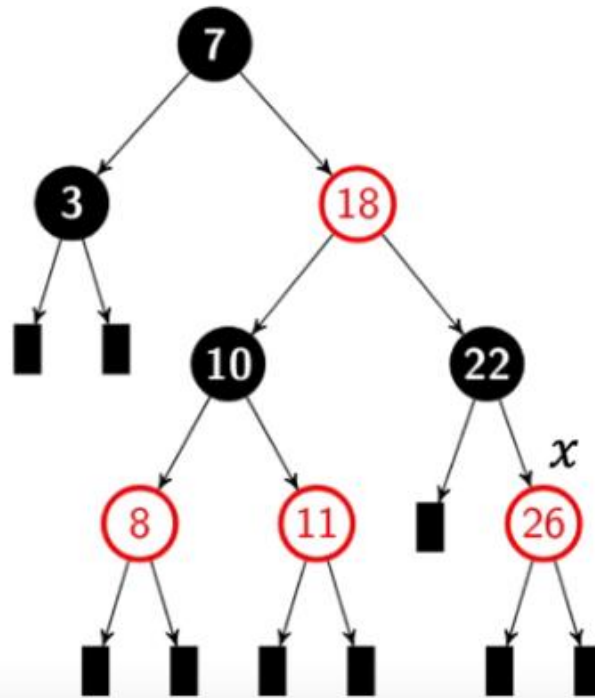


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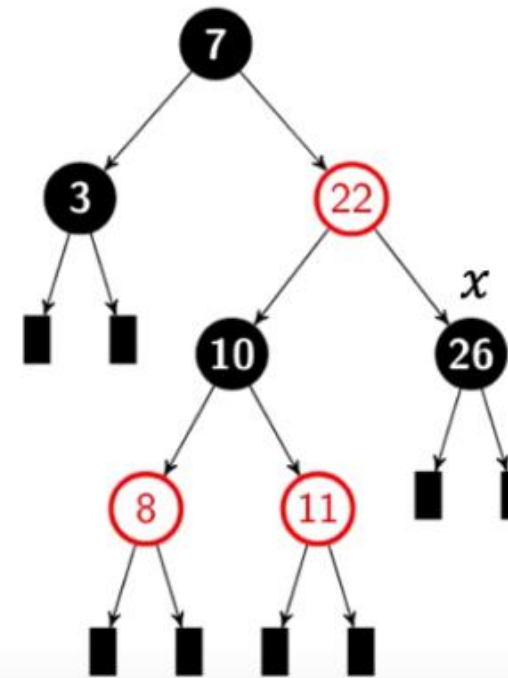


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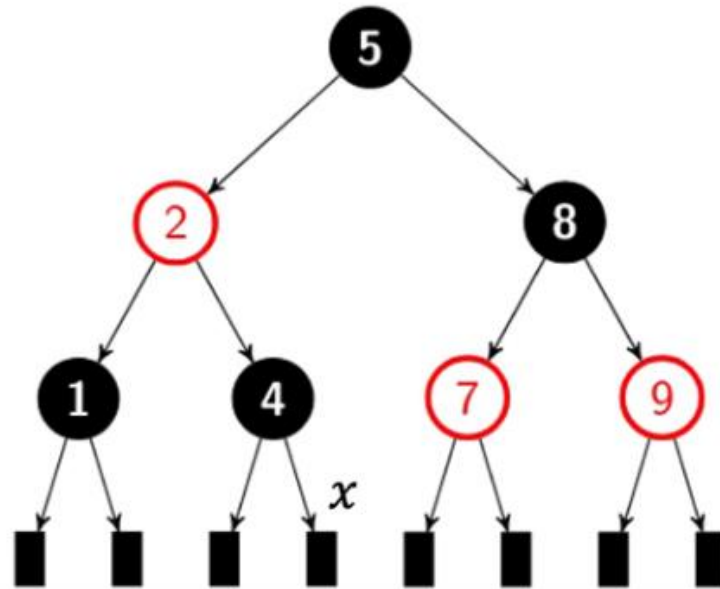
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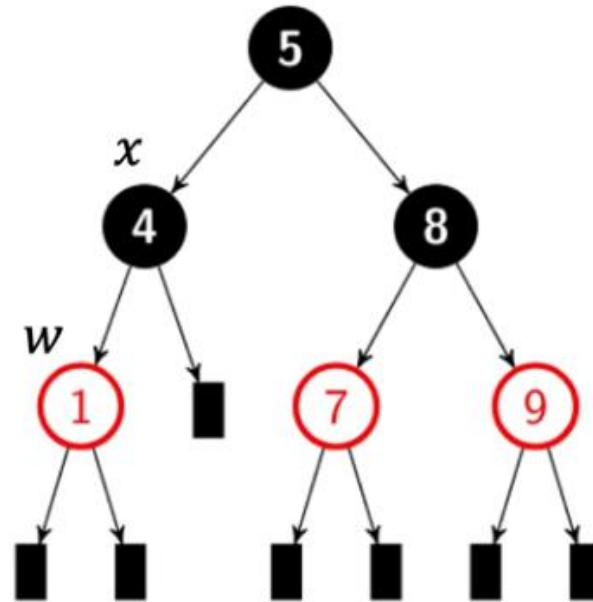


# Example of Deletion (6)

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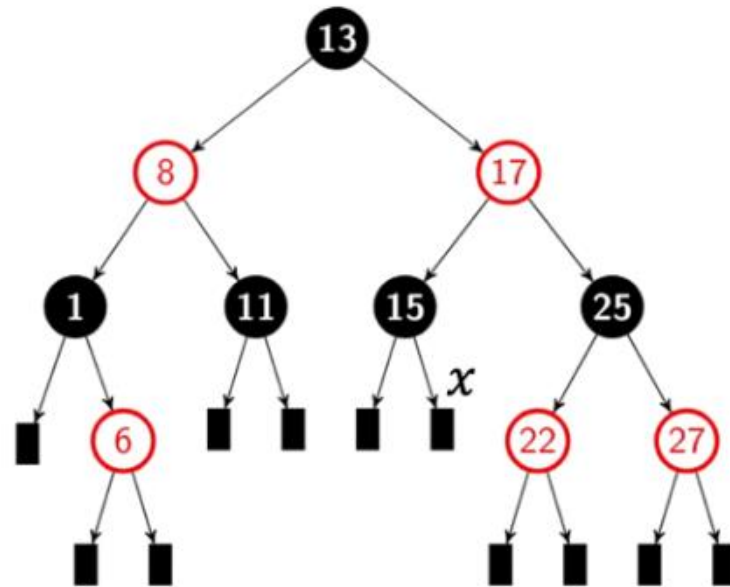


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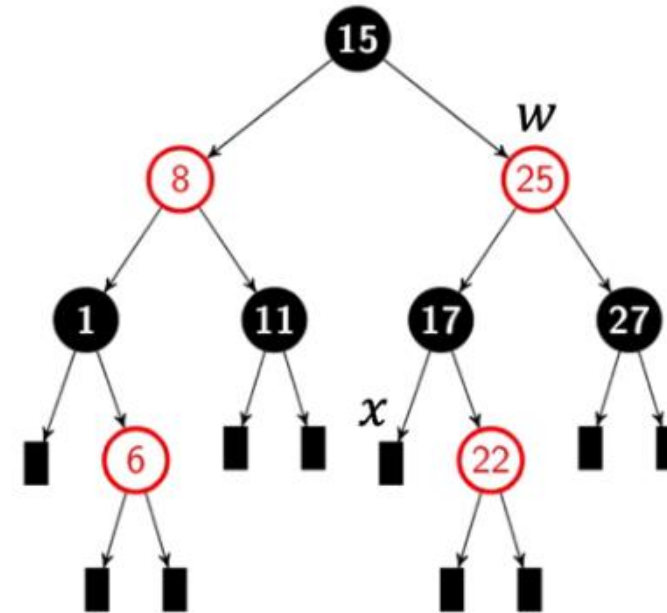


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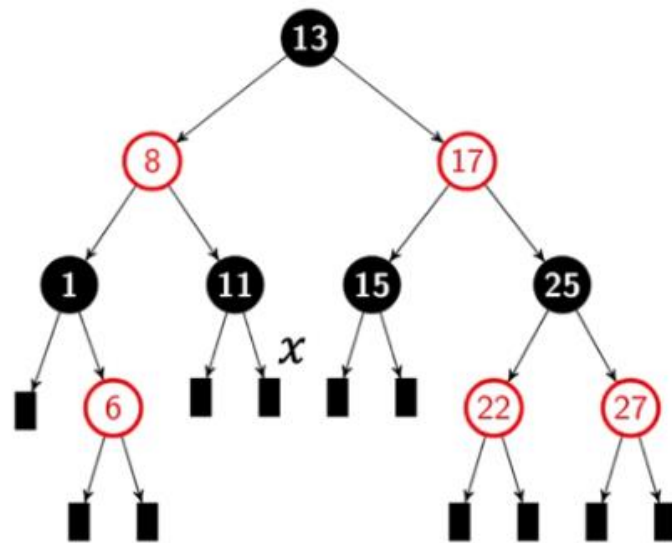


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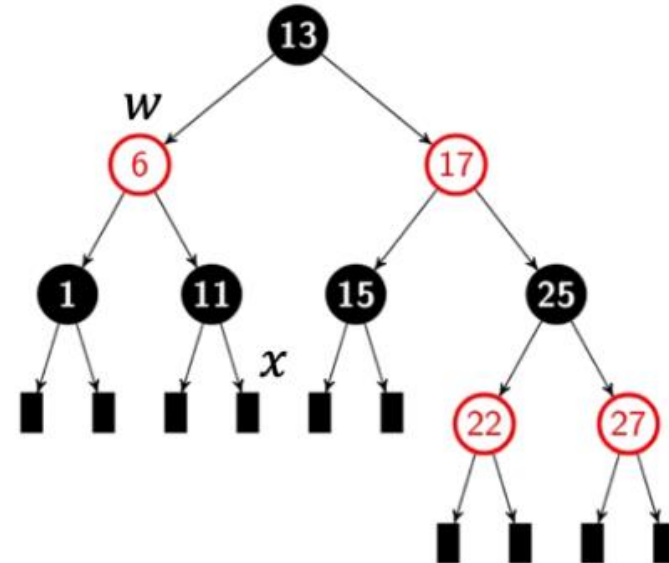


# Example of Deletion (8)

Before deleting 8:

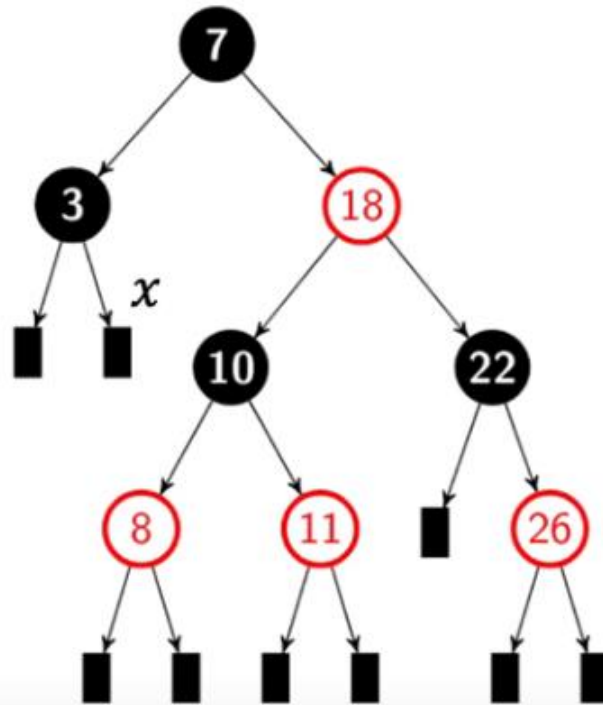


After deleting 8:

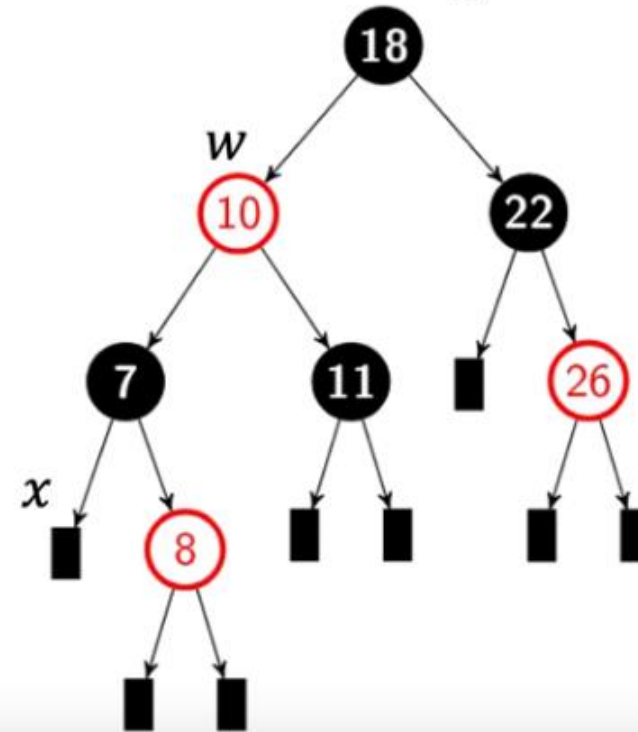


# Example of Deletion (9)

Before deleting 3:

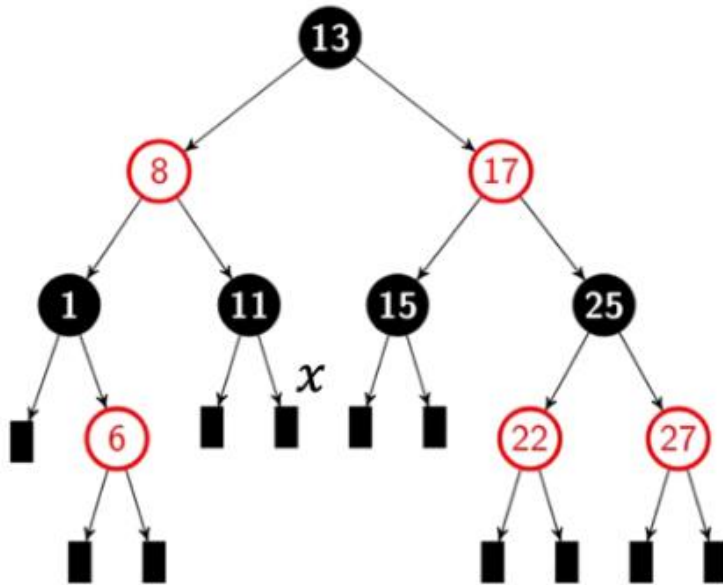


After deleting 3:

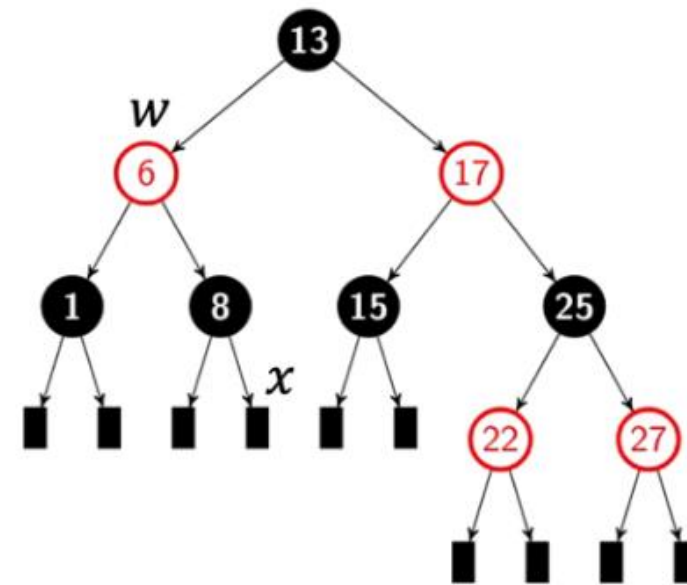


# Example of Deletion (10)

Before deleting 11:



After deleting 11:



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