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Balanced Trees

AVL

$$h \geq 1 + \lfloor \log_2 n \rfloor$$

$$h \leq \frac{1}{\log_2 a} \cdot \log_2(n+1) + \log_a \sqrt{5}$$

Complete trees

$$h = 1 + \lfloor \log_2 n \rfloor$$

$$\text{where } a = \left(\frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2} \right)$$

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$$1 + \lfloor \log_2 n \rfloor \leq h \leq 2 \log_2(n+1)$$

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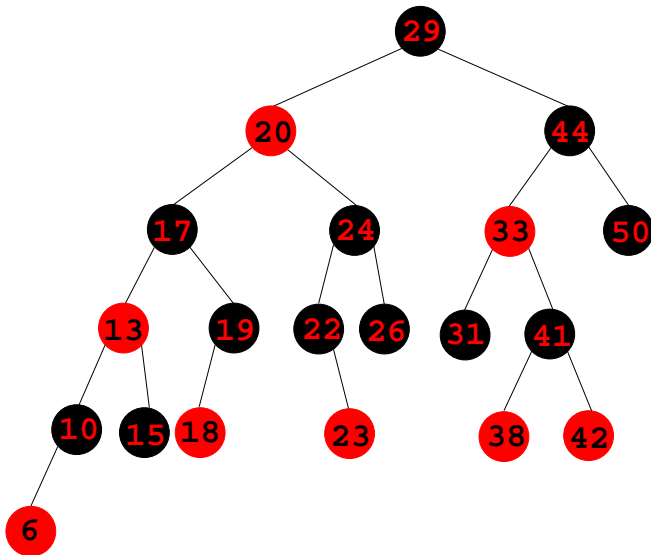
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Example of Red-Black Tree

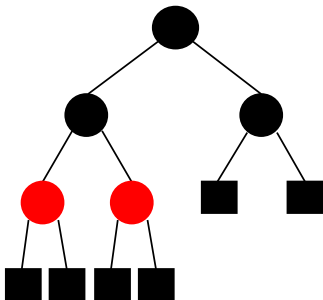


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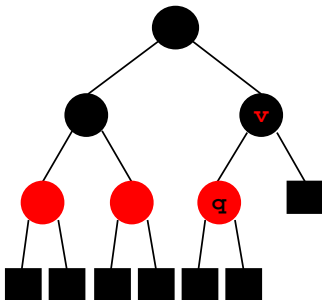


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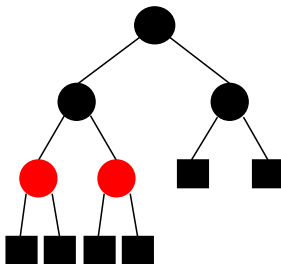
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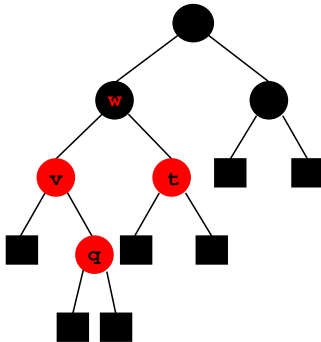
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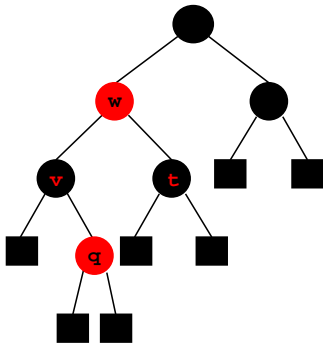
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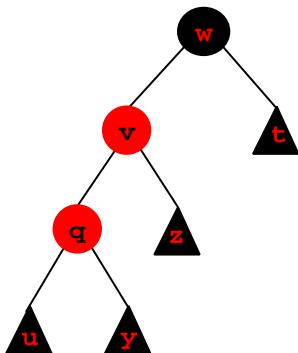
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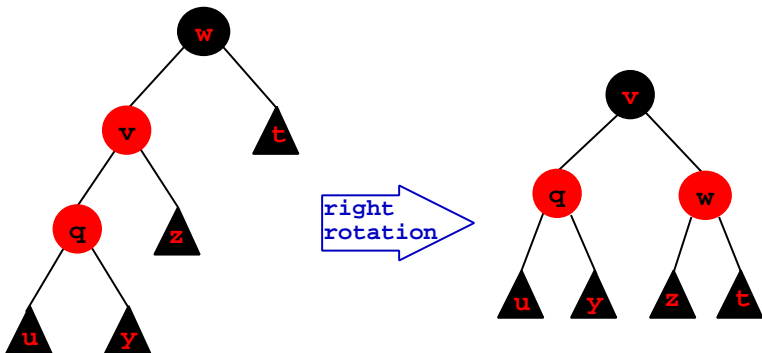
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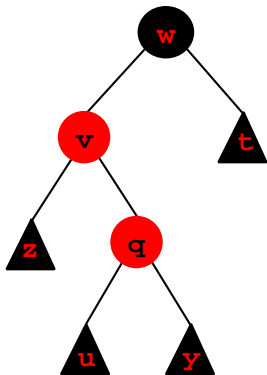
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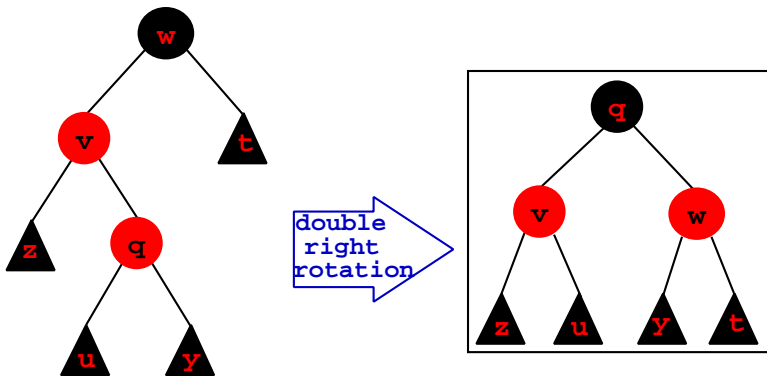
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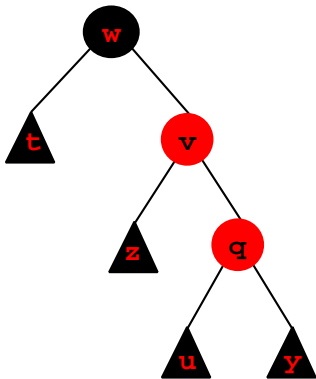
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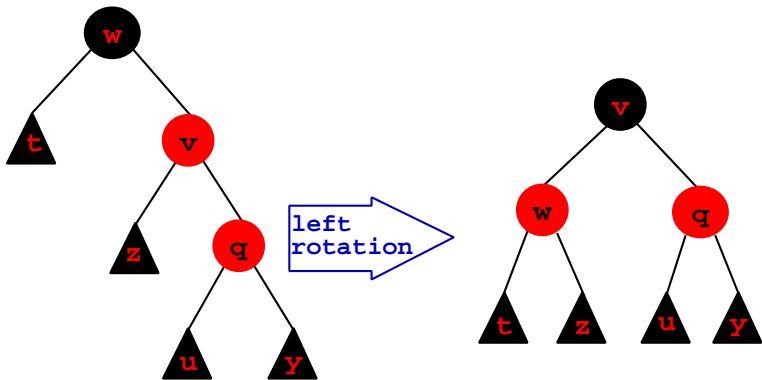
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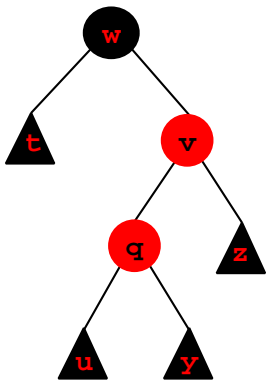
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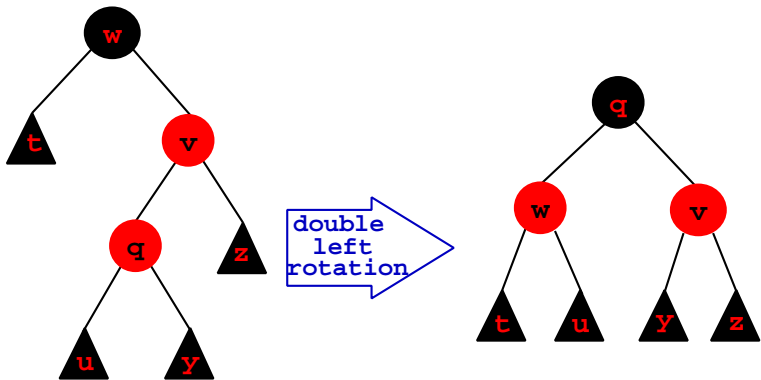
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Red-Black Trees: insertion algorithm

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1 InsertionRB( $x, p_{tv}, p_{tw}, p_{tr}, a$ ):
2   if  $p_{tv} = \text{external}$  then
3      $\text{new}(p_{tv})$ 
4      $p_{tv} \uparrow .\text{left} \leftarrow p_{tv} \uparrow .\text{right} \leftarrow \text{external}$ 
5      $p_{tv} \uparrow .\text{key} \leftarrow x$ ;  $p_{tv} \uparrow .\text{color} \leftarrow R$ 
6     if  $p_{troot} = \text{external}$  then
7        $p_{tv} \uparrow .\text{color} \leftarrow B$ ;  $p_{troot} \leftarrow p_{tv}$ 
8     else if  $x < p_{tw} \uparrow .\text{key}$  then
9        $p_{tw} \uparrow .\text{left} \leftarrow p_{tv}$ 
10    else  $p_{tw} \uparrow .\text{right} \leftarrow p_{tv}$ 
11  else if  $x \neq p_{tv} \uparrow .\text{key}$  then
12    if  $x < p_{tv} \uparrow .\text{key}$  then  $p_{tq} \leftarrow p_{tv} \uparrow .\text{left}$ 
13    else  $p_{tq} \leftarrow p_{tv} \uparrow .\text{right}$ 
14    InsertionRB( $x, p_{tq}, p_{tv}, p_{tw}, a$ )
15    if  $a = 1$  then route( $p_{tq}, p_{tv}, p_{tw}, p_{tr}, a$ )
16    else if  $a = 0$  then  $a = 1$ 
17    else "Invalid Insertion"
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Comparison: AVL trees are more strictly balanced than Red-Black trees, making insertion and deletion slower but retrieval (search) faster;

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