Lecture 6. Purely Functional Data structures

Functional Programming

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Goals

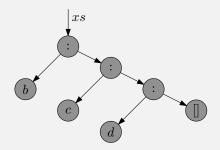
- ► Know the difference between persistent (purely functional) and ephemeral data structures,
- ▶ Be able to use persistent data structures,
- ▶ Define and work with custom data types

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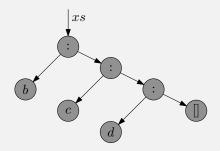
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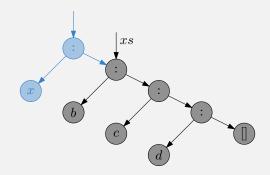
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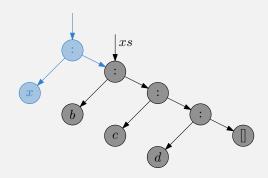
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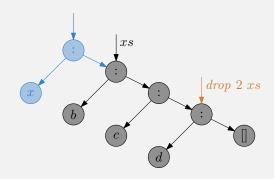
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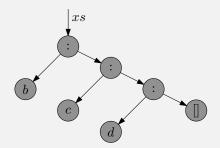
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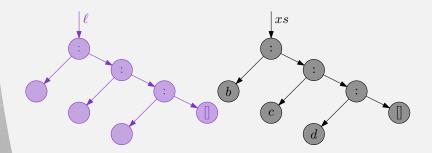
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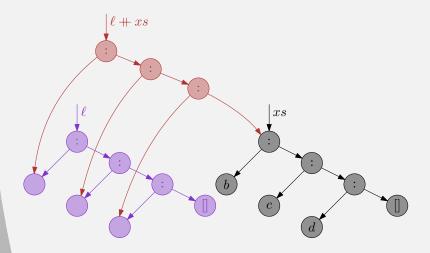
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Persistent vs Ephemeral

- Data structures in which old versions are available are persistent data structures.
- ► Traditional data structures are ephemeral.

Persistent vs Ephemeral

- Advantages of persistent data structures:
 - Convenient to have both old and new:
 - Separation of concerns;
 - Compute subexpressions independently
 - Output may contain old versions (i.e. tails)

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type Successor a = Tree a
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- ► Can we list all elements in a Tree a?
- ► Can we test if a t :: Tree a is a BST?

Warmup: Listing The elements of a Tree

```
elems :: Tree a \rightarrow [a]
elems Leaf = []
elems (Node 1 x r) = elems 1 ++ [x] ++ elems r
```

Warmup: Testing if a Tree is a BST?

- ▶ This implementation uses $O(n^2)$ time.
- ightharpoonup Exercise: write an implementation that runs in O(n) time.

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Nice if the input tree happens to be balanced, i.e. of height $O(\log n)$

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buildBalanced :: [a] -> Tree a
buildBalanced [] = Leaf
buildBalanced xs = Node 1 x r
  where
    h = length xs `div` 2
    (ls,x:rs) = splitAt h xs

l = buildBalanced ls
    r = buildBalanced rs
```

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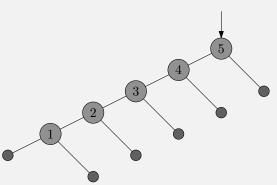
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- ▶ Notjustinsert x 1!
- ► Note that we are building new trees!

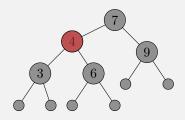
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Repeatedly inserting elements unbalances the tree

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> foldr insert Leaf [1..5]
Node (Node (Node (Node Leaf 1 Leaf) 2 Leaf) 3 Leaf)
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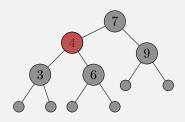
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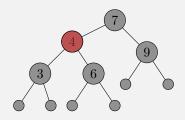
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- ightharpoonup Support queries and updates in $O(\log n)$ time.

Red Black Trees in Haskell

► Enforces property 1. Other properties are more difficult to enforce in the type.

Implementing Queries and Inserts

- succOf more or less the same as before.
- ► Insert:
 - Make sure black heights remain ok by replacing a black leaf by a red node.
 - ► The only issue is red,red violations.
 - Allow red,red violations with the root, but not below that.
 - Recolor the root black at the end.

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insert :: Ord a => a -> RBTree a -> RBTree a
insert x = blackenRoot . insert' x

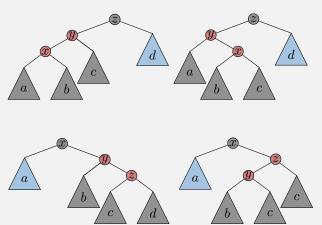
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As before, this creates an unbalanced tree. So, what's left is to rebalance the newly created trees.

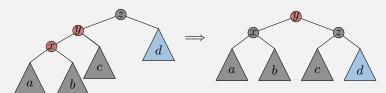
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- ▶ The only potential issue is two red nodes near the root.
- ► There are only four configurations:



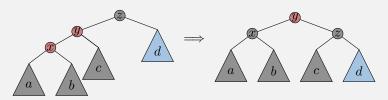
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- ightharpoonup Possible in $O(\log n)$ time with Red-Black trees, but a bit more messy.

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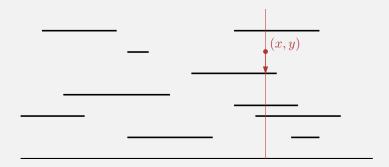
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- ► All these data structures are persistent.

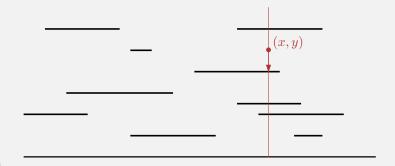
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▶ Easy if we had the platforms intersecting the vertical line at x in top-to-bottom order in a Set or Map: find successor of y.

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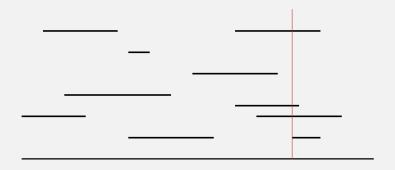
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- ▶ To answer a query: go to the version at time x using a successor query, and find successor of y.

Homework: Verifying Red-Black Tree Properties

► Write a function validRBTree :: RBTree a -> Bool that checks if a given RBTree a satisfies all red-black tree properties.