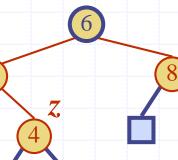
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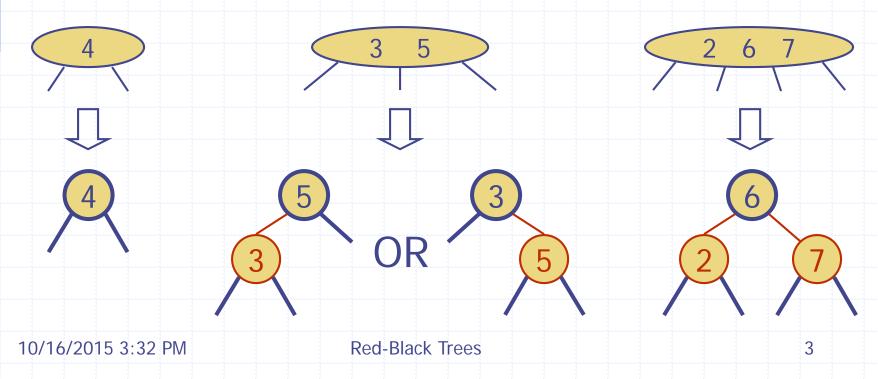
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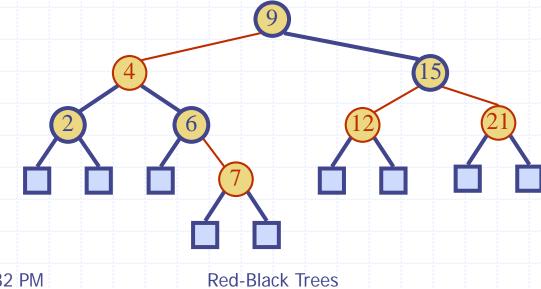
# From (2,4) to Red-Black Trees

- A red-black tree is a representation of a (2,4) tree by means of a binary tree whose nodes are colored red or black
- In comparison with its associated (2,4) tree, a red-black tree has
  - same logarithmic time performance
  - simpler implementation with a single node type



#### **Red-Black Tree**

- A red-black tree can also be defined as a binary search tree that satisfies the following properties:
  - Root Property: the root is black
  - External Property: every leaf is black
  - Internal Property: the children of a red node are black
  - Depth Property: all the leaves have the same black depth



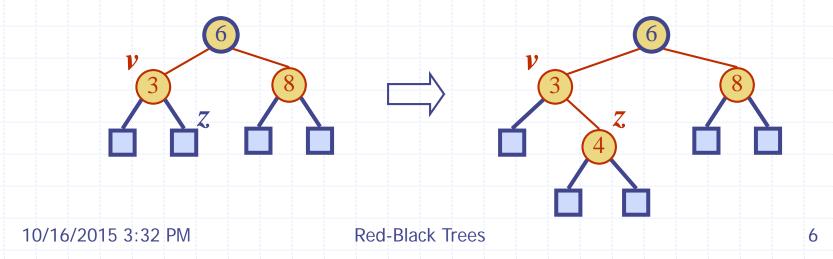
# Height of a Red-Black Tree

- Theorem: A red-black tree storing *n* items has height
  O(log n)
  - Proof:
    - The height of a red-black tree is at most twice the height of its associated (2,4) tree, which is O(log n)
- The search algorithm for a binary search tree is the same as that for a binary search tree
- By the above theorem, searching in a red-black tree takes O(log n) time

#### Insertion

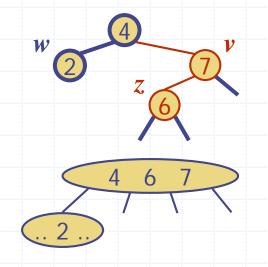
- To perform operation insertItem(k, o), we execute the insertion algorithm for binary search trees and color red the newly inserted node z unless it is the root
  - We preserve the root, external, and depth properties
  - If the parent v of z is black, we also preserve the internal property and we are done
  - Else (v is red) we have a double red (i.e., a violation of the internal property), which requires a reorganization of the tree

Example where the insertion of 4 causes a double red:



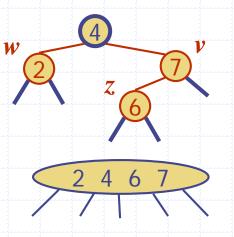
# Remedying a Double Red

- Consider a double red with child z and parent v, and let w be the sibling of v
- Case 1: w is black
  - The double red is an incorrect replacement of a 4-node
  - Restructuring: we change the 4-node replacement



#### Case 2: w is red

- The double red corresponds to an overflow
- Recoloring: we perform the equivalent of a split

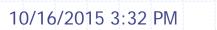


### Restructuring

- A restructuring remedies a child-parent double red when the parent red node has a black sibling
- It is equivalent to restoring the correct replacement of a 4-node

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The internal property is restored and the other properties are preserved



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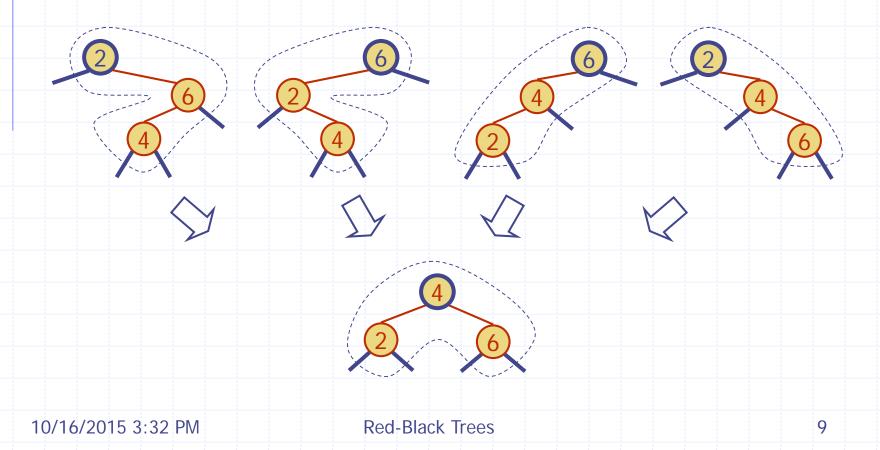
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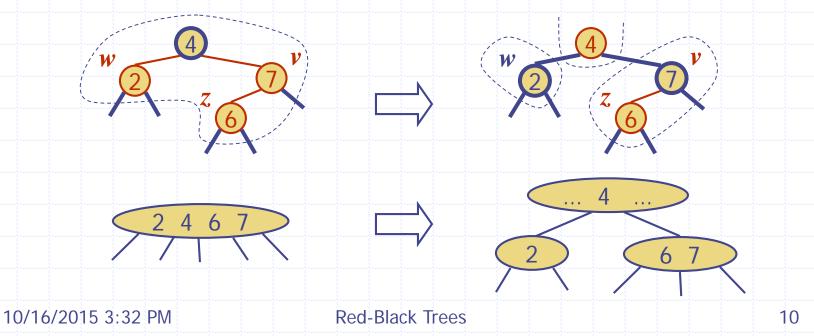
# Restructuring (cont.)

There are four restructuring configurations depending on whether the double red nodes are left or right children



### Recoloring

- A recoloring remedies a child-parent double red when the parent red node has a red sibling
- The parent v and its sibling w become black and the grandparent u becomes red, unless it is the root
- It is equivalent to performing a split on a 5-node
- The double red violation may propagate to the grandparent u



## Analysis of Insertion

#### Algorithm *insertItem*(k, o)

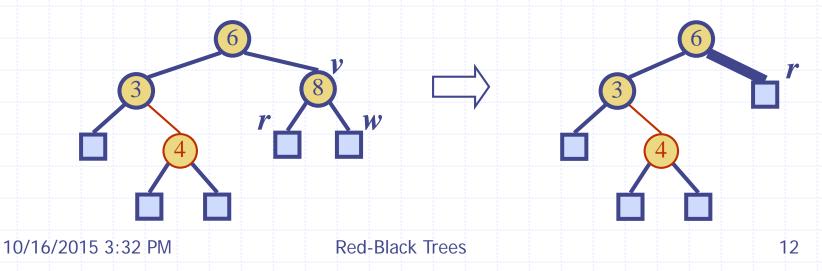
- 1. We search for key k to locate the insertion node z
- 2. We add the new item (*k*, *o*) at node *z* and color *z* red
- 3. while doubleRed(z) if isBlack(sibling(parent(z))) z ← restructure(z) return else { sibling(parent(z) is red } z ← recolor(z)

- Recall that a red-black tree has O(log n) height
- Step 1 takes O(log n) time because we visit O(log n) nodes
- Step 2 takes O(1) time
- Step 3 takes O(log n) time
  because we perform
  - O(log n) recolorings, each taking O(1) time, and
  - at most one restructuring taking O(1) time
- Thus, an insertion in a redblack tree takes O(log n) time

#### Deletion

- To perform operation remove(k), we first execute the deletion algorithm for binary search trees
- Let v be the internal node removed, w the external node removed, and r the sibling of w
  - If either *v* of *r* was red, we color *r* black and we are done
  - Else (v and r were both black) we color r double black, which is a violation of the internal property requiring a reorganization of the tree

Example where the deletion of 8 causes a double black:



# Remedying a Double Black

- The algorithm for remedying a double black node w with sibling y considers three cases
  - Case 1: y is black and has a red child
    - We perform a restructuring, equivalent to a transfer , and we are done

Case 2: y is black and its children are both black

 We perform a recoloring, equivalent to a fusion, which may propagate up the double black violation

Case 3: y is red

 We perform an adjustment, equivalent to choosing a different representation of a 3-node, after which either Case 1 or Case 2 applies

• Deletion in a red-black tree takes  $O(\log n)$  time

# **Red-Black Tree Reorganization**

Insertion remedy double red		
Red-black tree action	(2,4) tree action	result
restructuring	change of 4-node representation	double red removed
recoloring	split	double red removed or propagated up
Deletion remedy double black		
Red-black tree action	(2,4) tree action	result
restructuring	transfer	double black removed
recoloring	fusion	double black removed or propagated up
adjustment	change of 3-node representation	restructuring or recoloring follows
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