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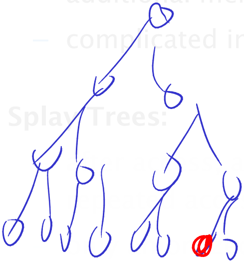

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find(x)

- search for x according to a search tree
- let $\bar{x}$ be last element on search-path
- splay($\bar{x}$)

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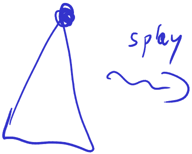
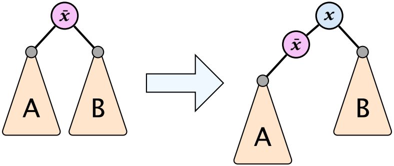
insert(x)

- search for x; $\bar{x}$ is last visited element during search (successer or predecessor of x)
- splay($\bar{x}$) moves $\bar{x}$ to the root
- insert x as new root





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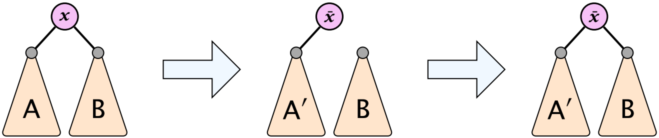
delete(x)

- search for x; splay(x); remove x
- search largest element $\bar{x}$ in A
- splay($\bar{x}$) (on subtree A)
- connect root of B as right child of $\bar{x}$



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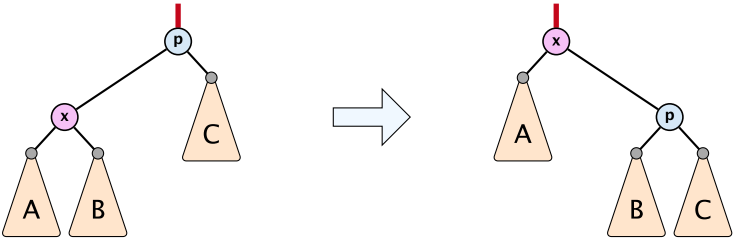

How to bring element to root?

- one (bad) option: moveToRoot(x)
- iteratively do rotation around parent of x until x is root
- if x is left child do right rotation otw. left rotation

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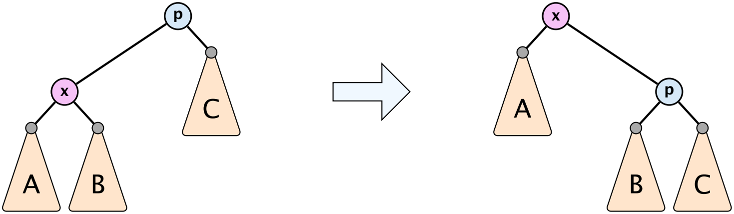

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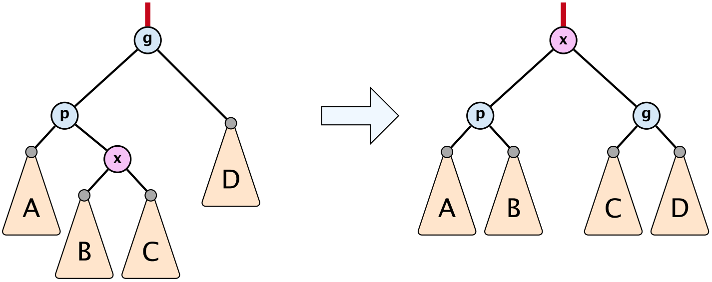

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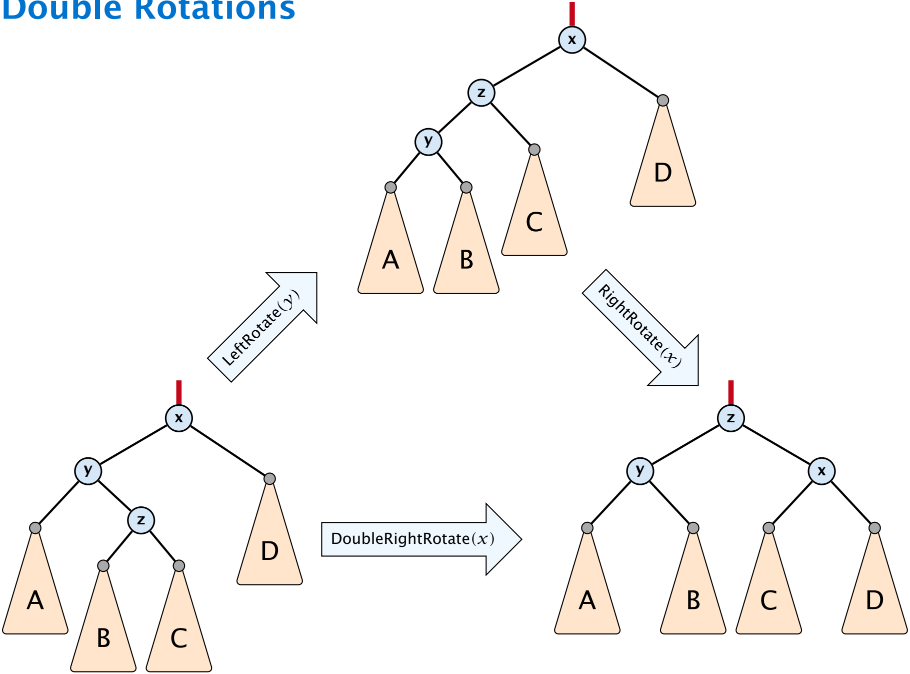

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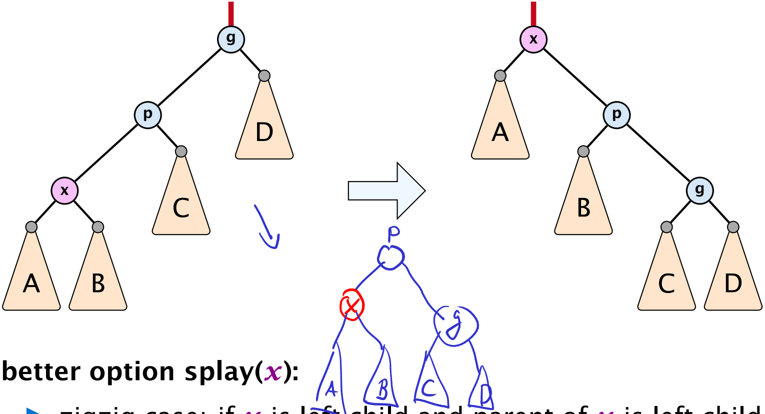

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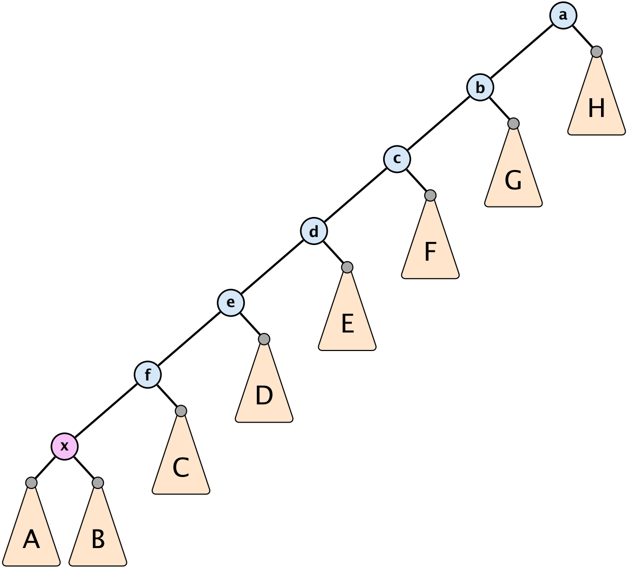

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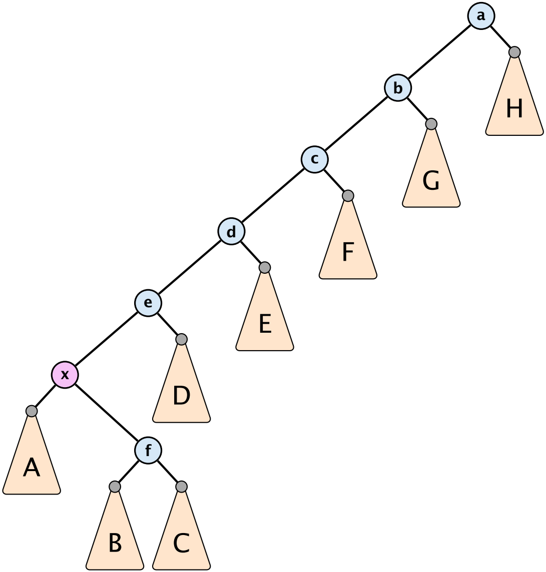

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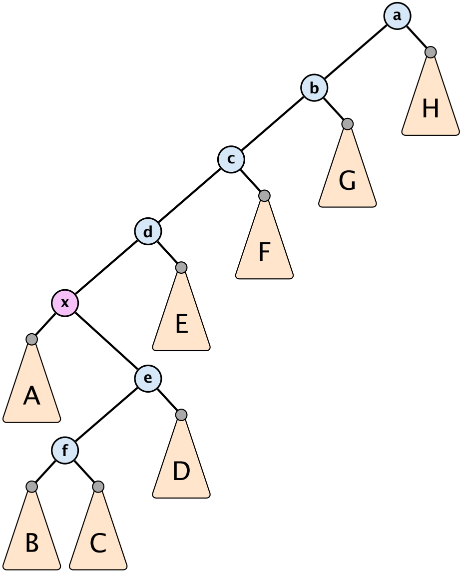

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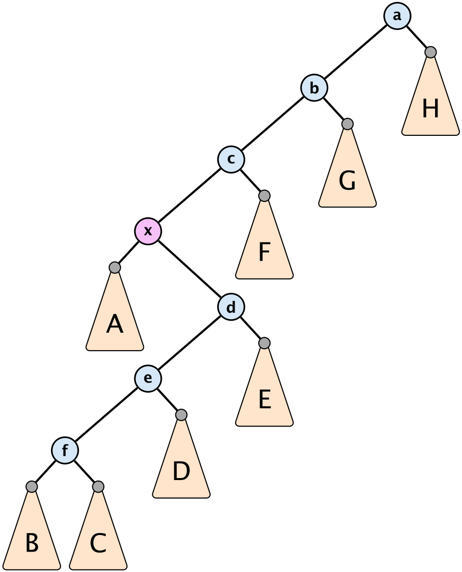

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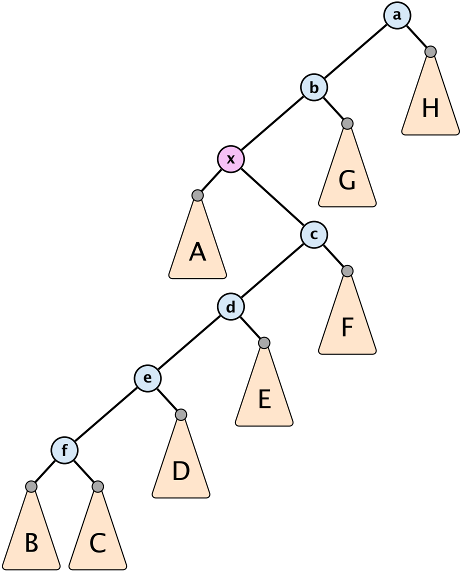

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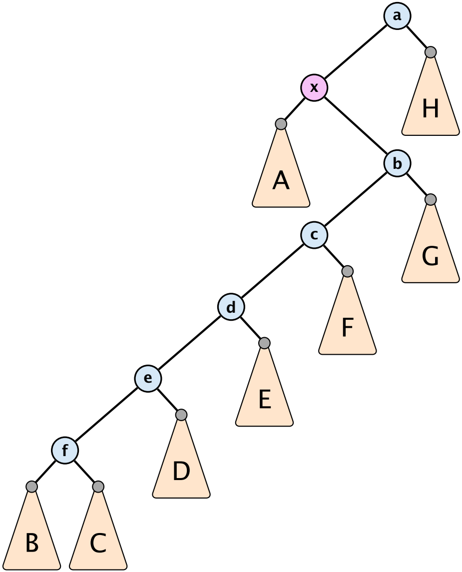

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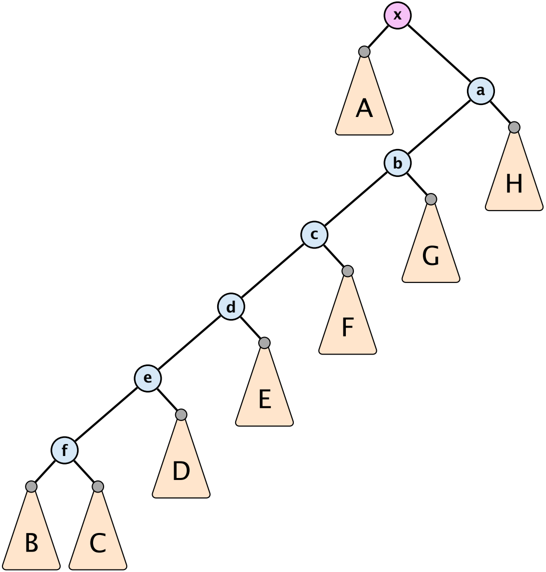

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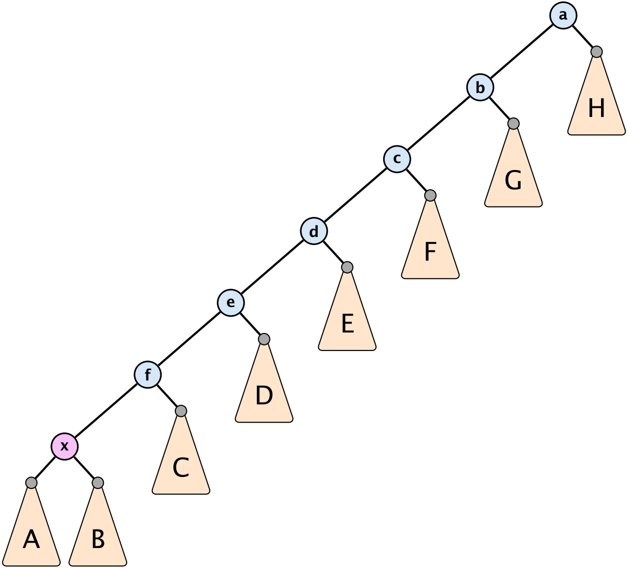

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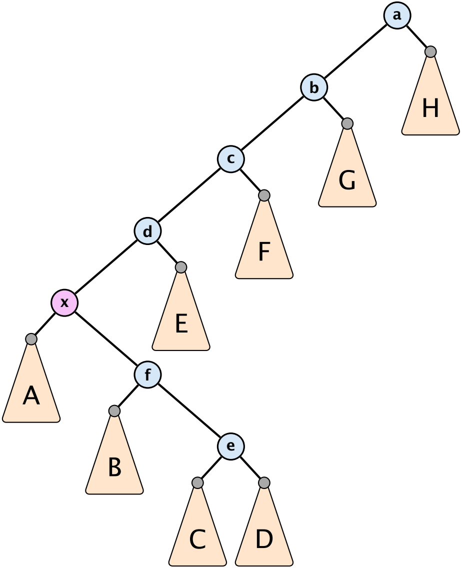

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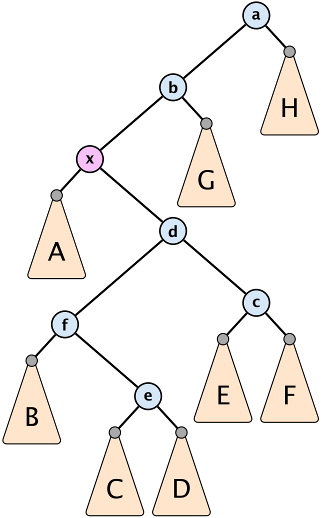

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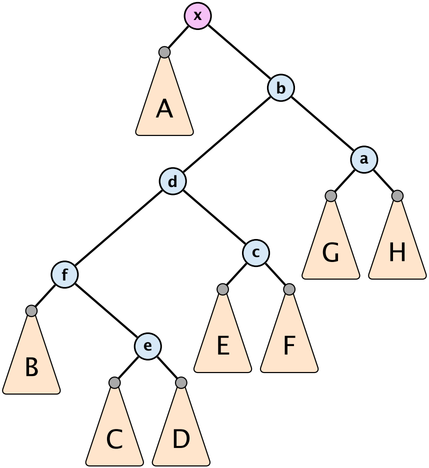

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Suppose we have a sequence of m find-operations. find(x) appears h_x times in this sequence.

The cost of a static search tree T is:

$$\text{cost}(T) = m + \sum_x h_x \,\text{depth}_T(x)$$

The total cost for processing the sequence on a splay-tree is $\mathcal{O}(\text{cost}(T_{\text{min}}))$, where T_{min} is an optimal static search tree.

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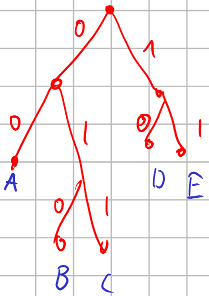

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Dynamic Optimality

Let S be a sequence with m find-operations.

Let A be a data-structure based on a search tree:

- the cost for accessing element x is $1 + \text{depth}(x)$;
- after accessing x the tree may be re-arranged through rotations;

Conjecture:

A splay tree that only contains elements from S has cost $\mathcal{O}(\text{cost}(A, S))$, for processing S.

Lemma 16

Splay Trees have an amortized running time of $\mathcal{O}(\log n)$ *for all operations.*

Amortized Analysis

Definition 17

A data structure with operations $\mathrm{op}_1(), \ldots, \mathrm{op}_k()$ has amortized running times $t_1, \ldots, t_k$ for these operations if the following holds.

Suppose you are given a sequence of operations (starting with an empty data-structure) that operate on at most n elements, and let k_i denote the number of occurences of $\mathrm{op}_i()$ within this sequence. Then the actual running time must be at most $\sum_i k_i \cdot t_i(n)$.

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This means the amortized costs can be used to derive a bound on the total cost.

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