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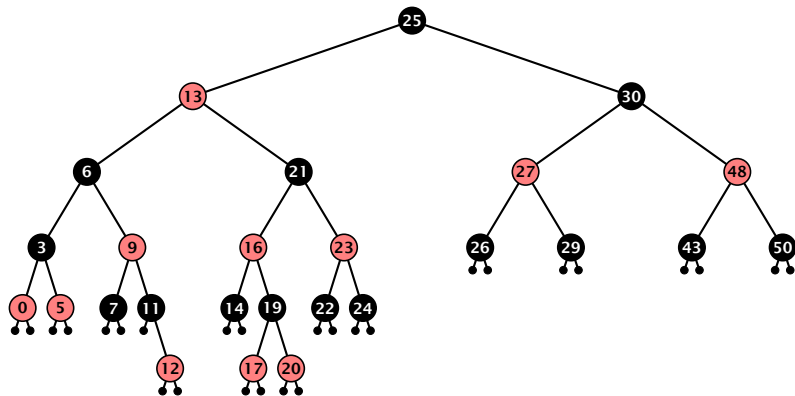
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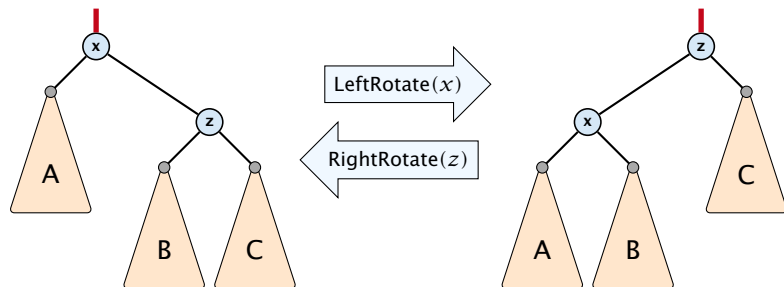
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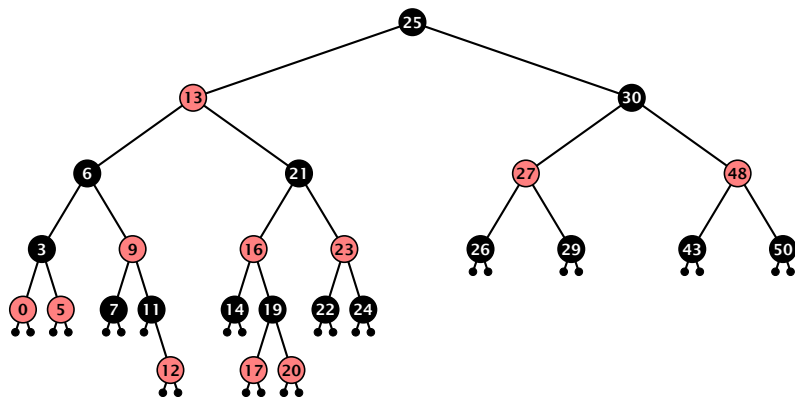
We need to adapt the insert and delete operations so that the red black properties are maintained.

Rotations

The properties will be maintained through rotations:



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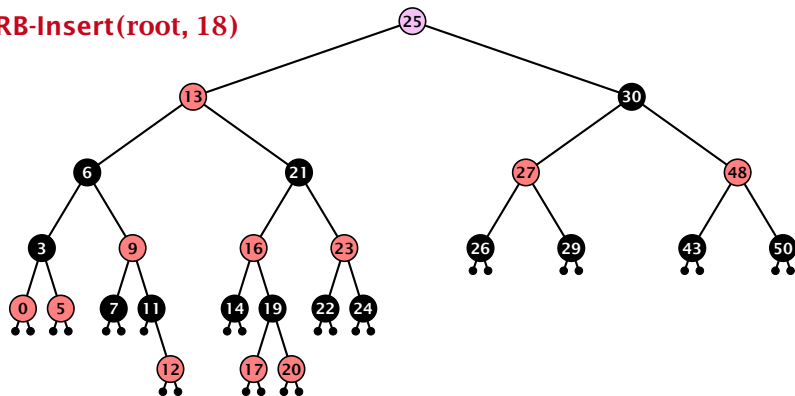


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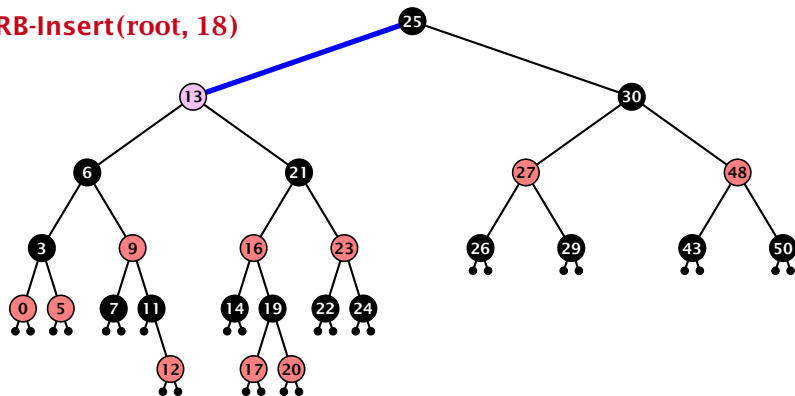


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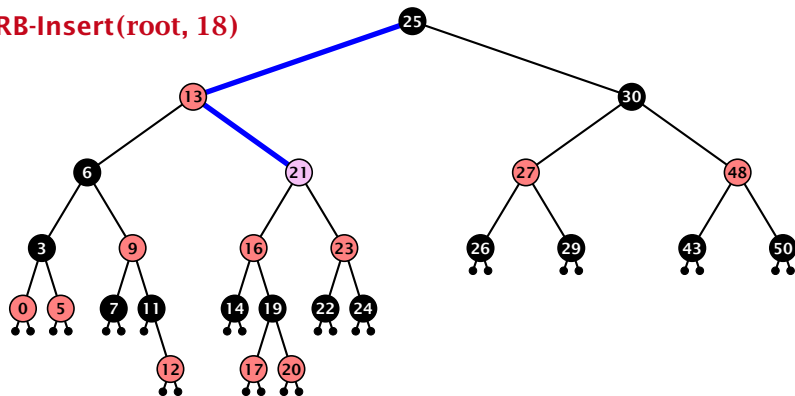


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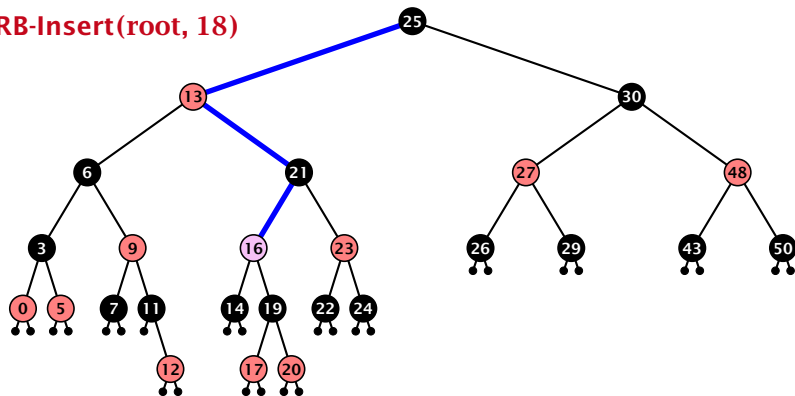


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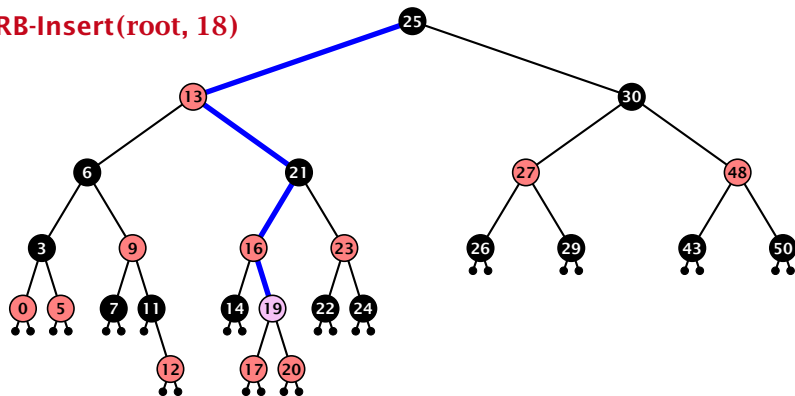


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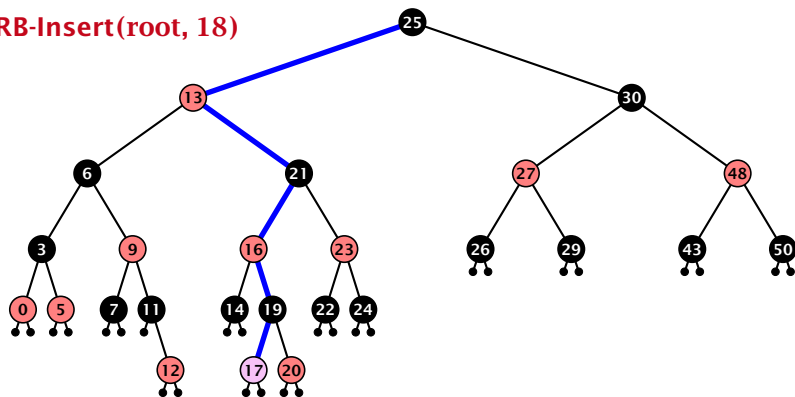


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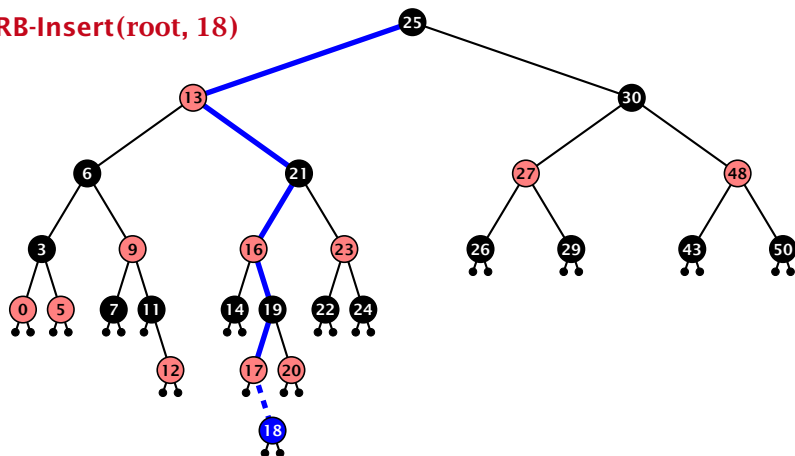


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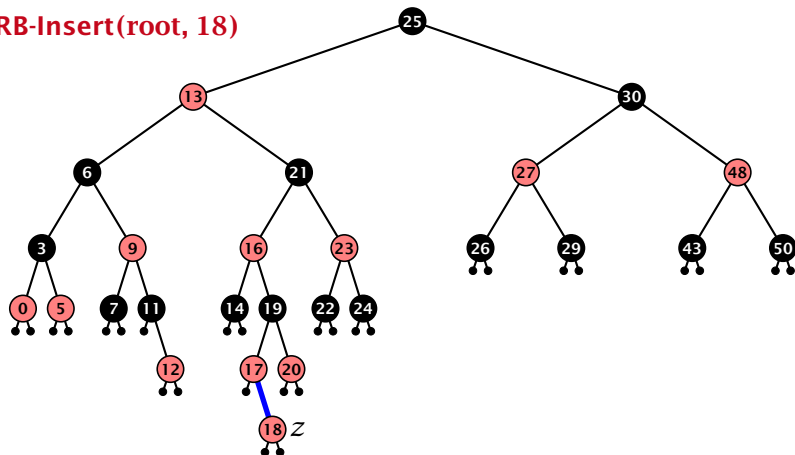


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If z has a parent but no grand-parent we could simply color the parent/root black; however this case never happens.

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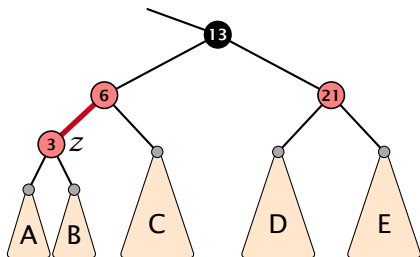
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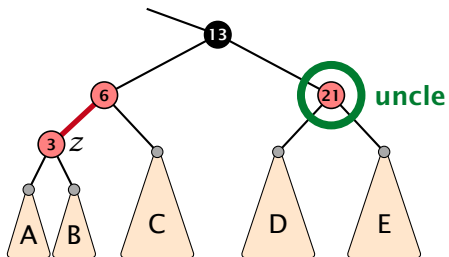
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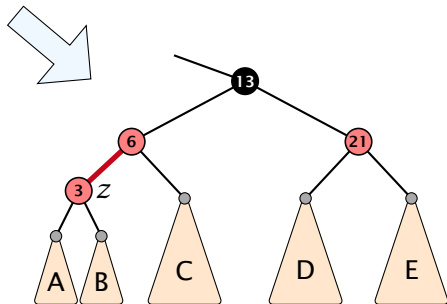
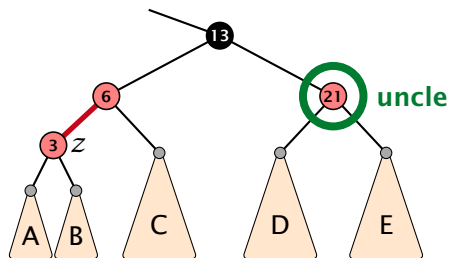
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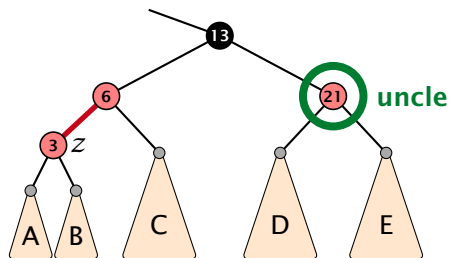
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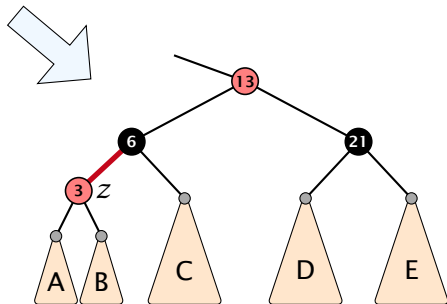
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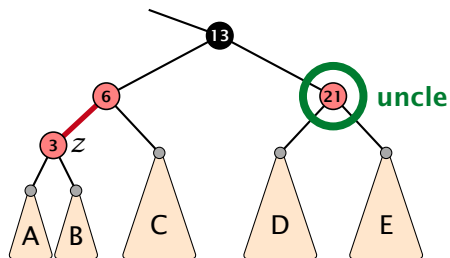
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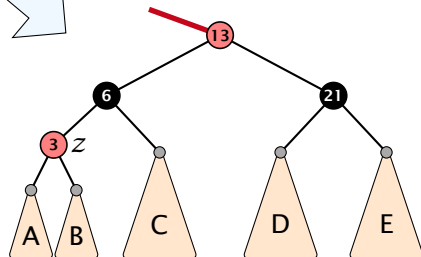
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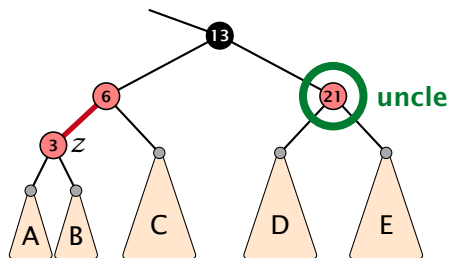
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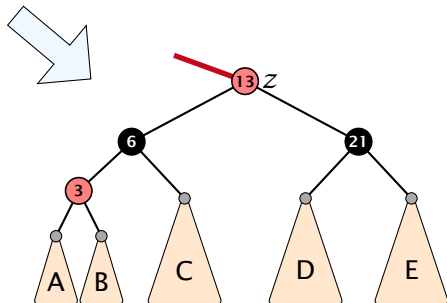
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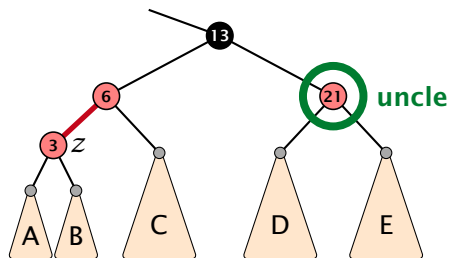
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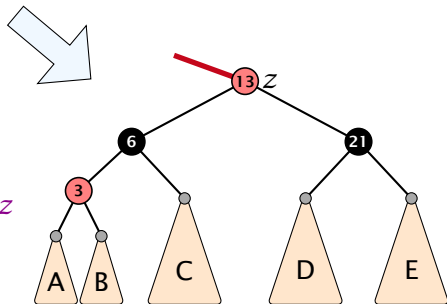
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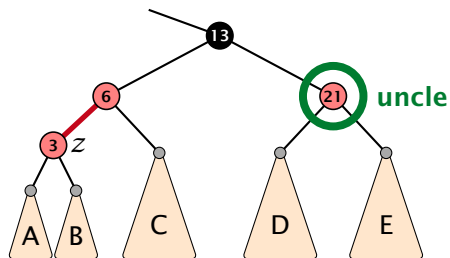
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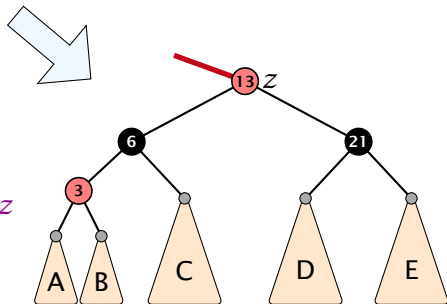
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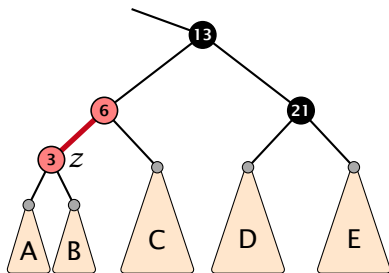
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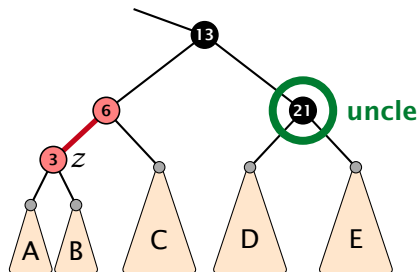
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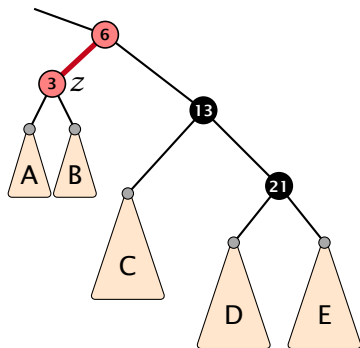
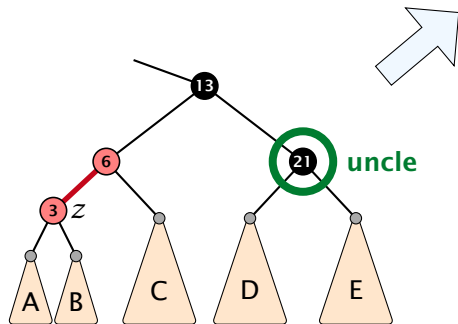


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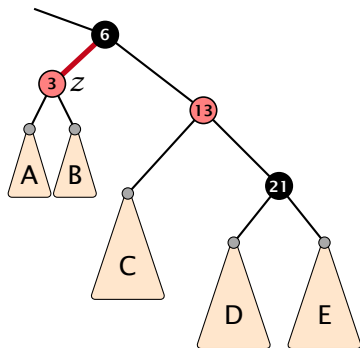
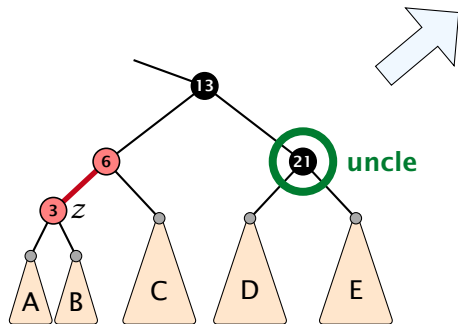
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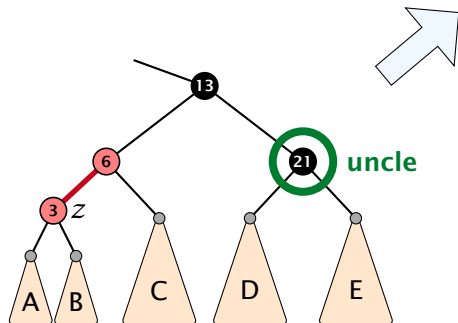
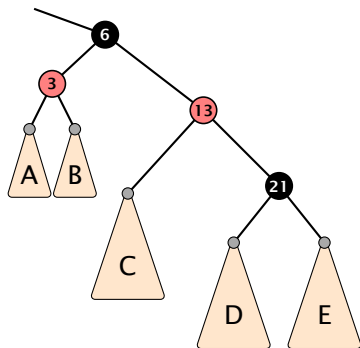
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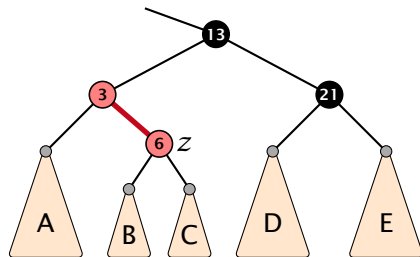


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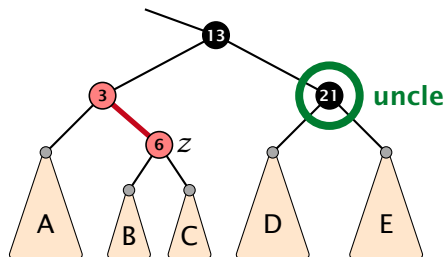
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Case 2a: Black uncle and z is right child

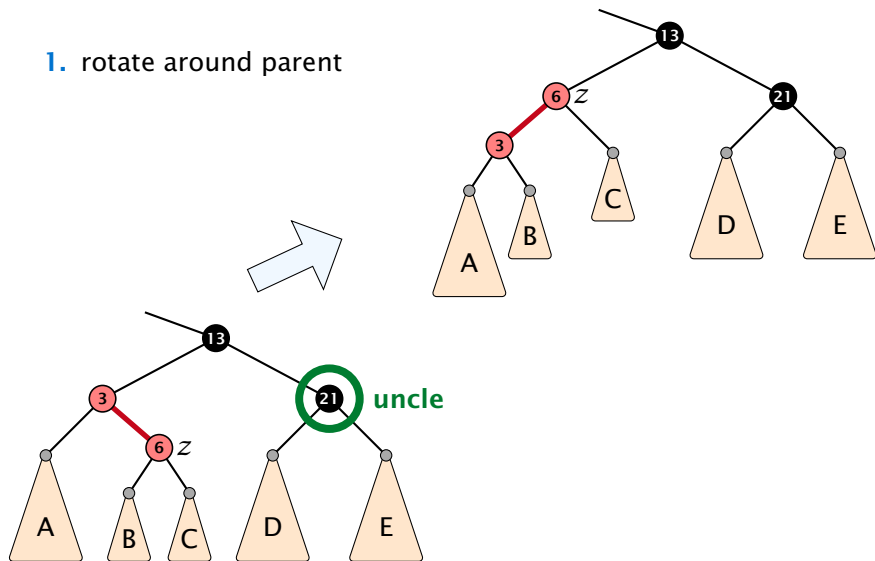


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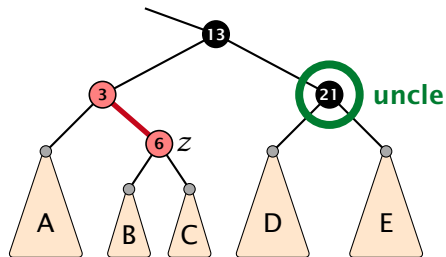
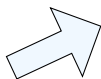
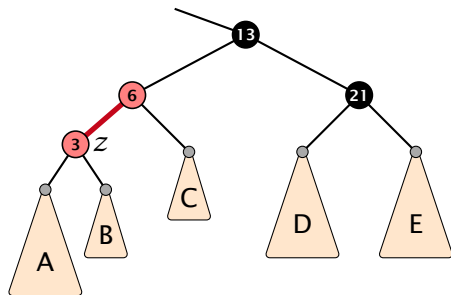
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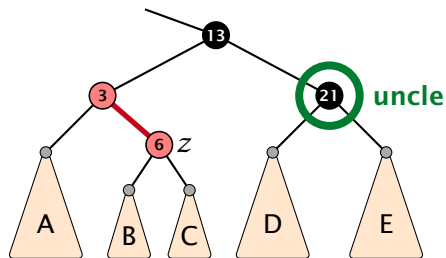
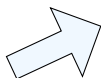
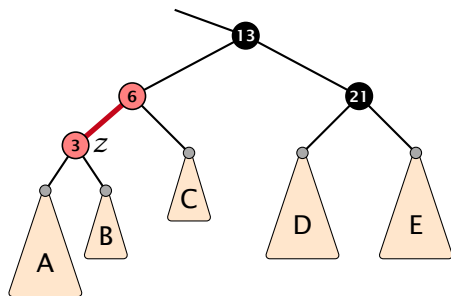
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Performing Case 1 at most $\mathcal{O}(\log n)$ times and every other case at most once, we get a red-black tree. Hence $\mathcal{O}(\log n)$ re-colorings and at most 2 rotations.

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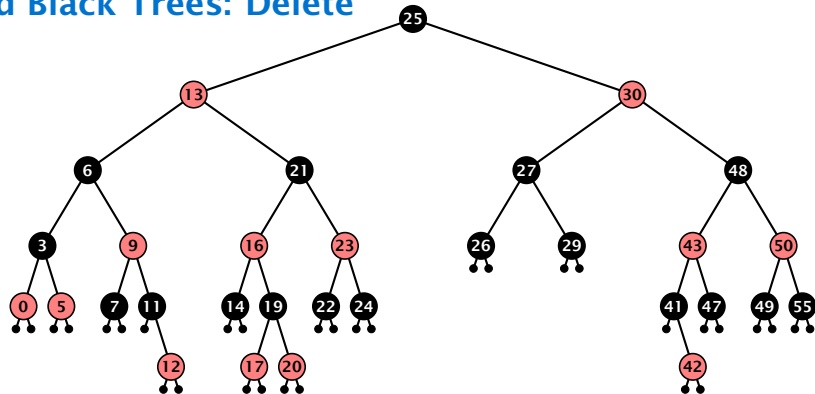
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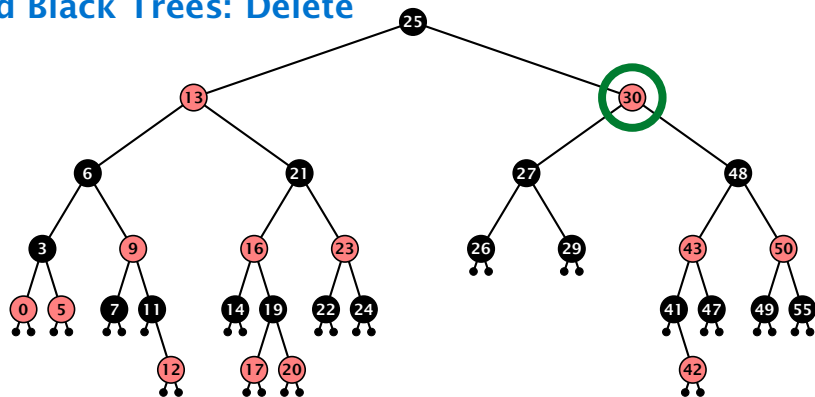
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- ▶ Every path from an ancestor of x to a descendant leaf of x changes the number of black nodes. Black height property might be violated.

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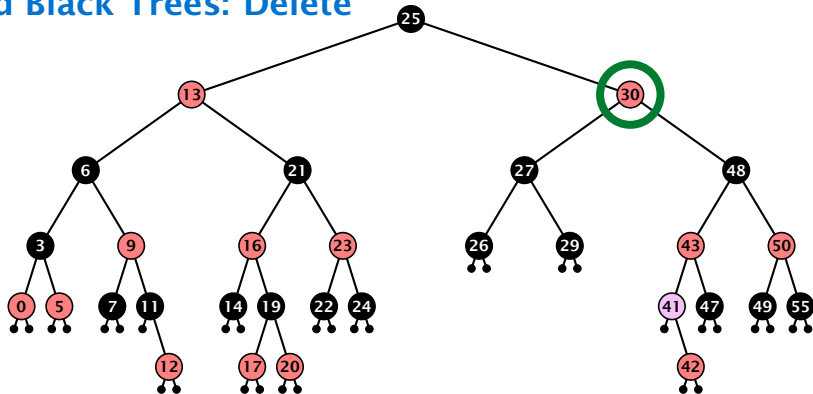


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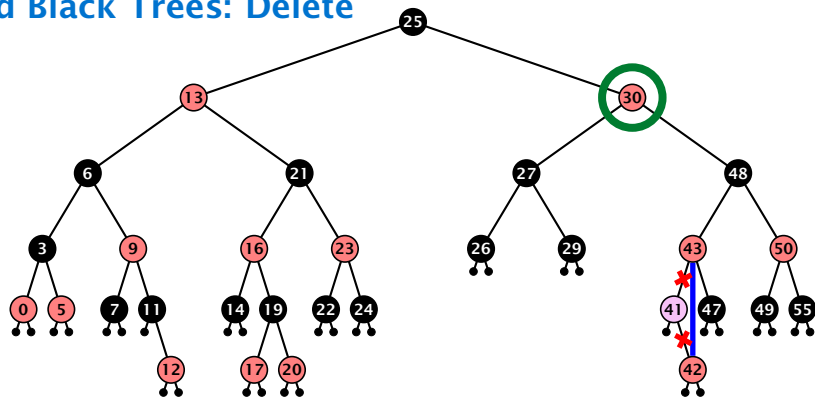


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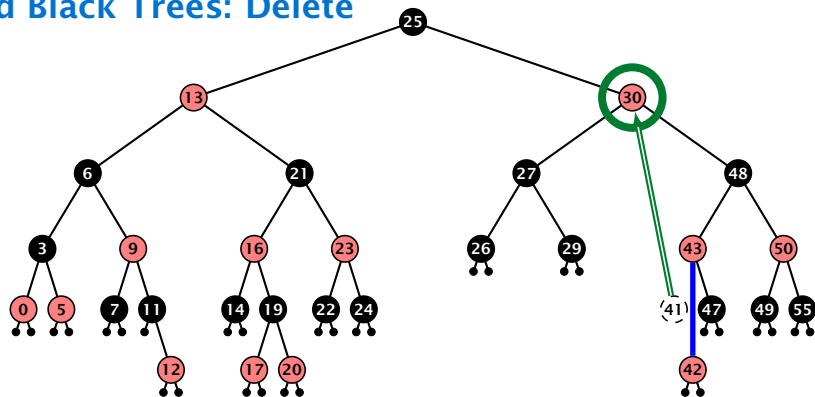


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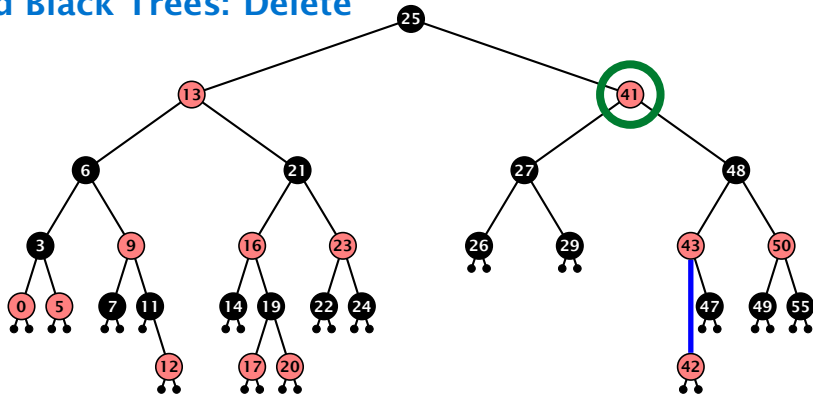


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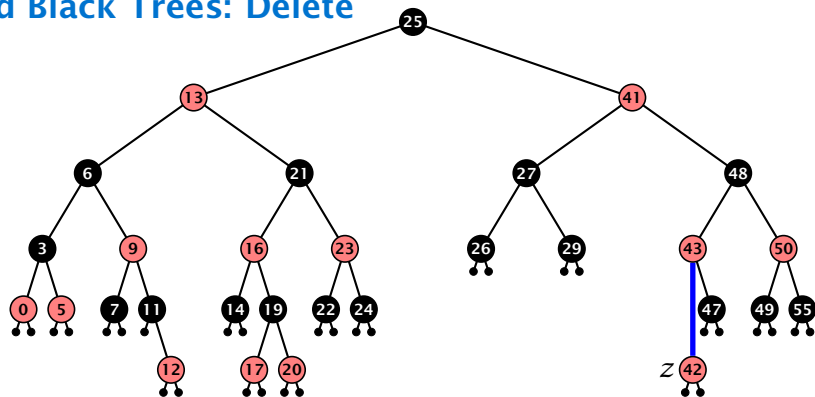


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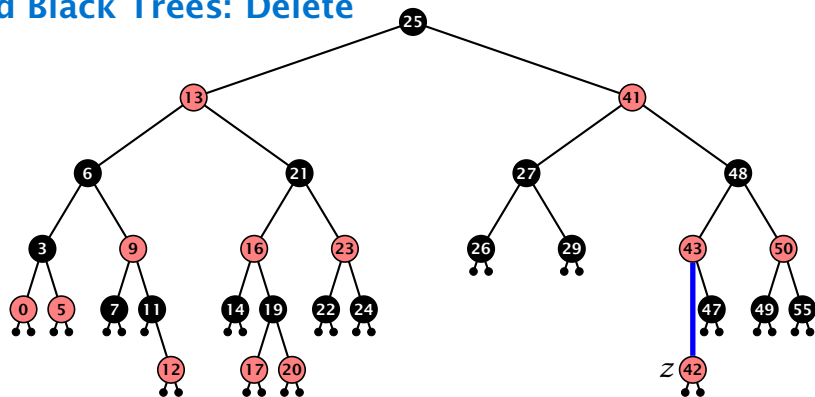
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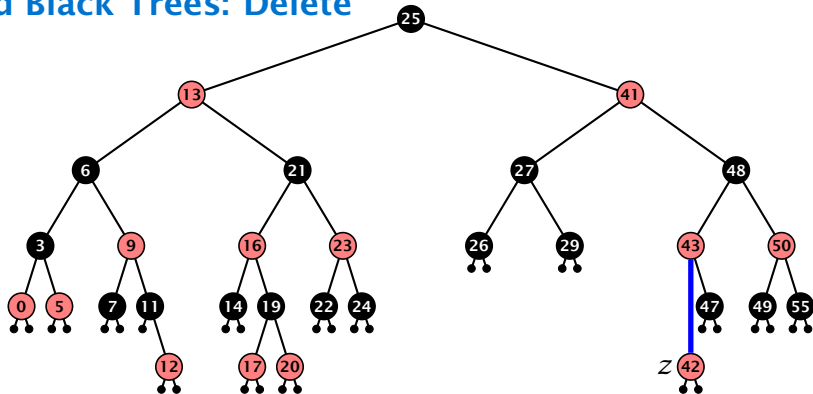
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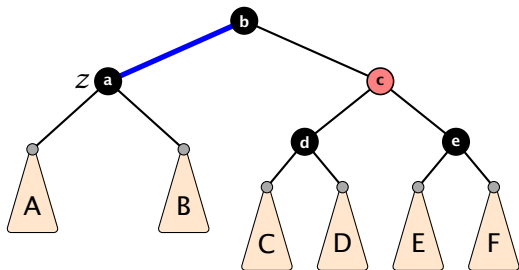
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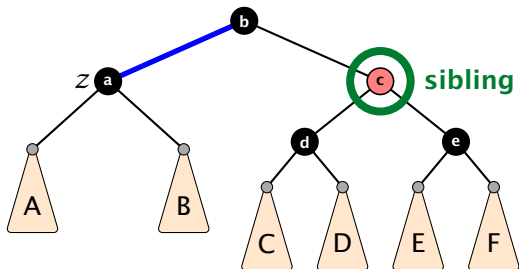
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Goal: make rotations in such a way that you at some point can remove the fake black unit from the edge.

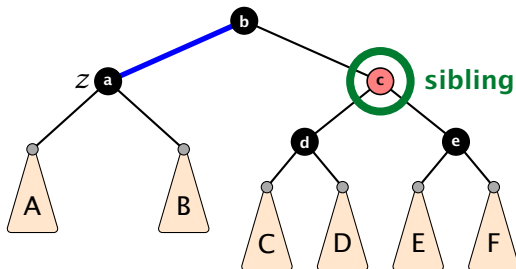
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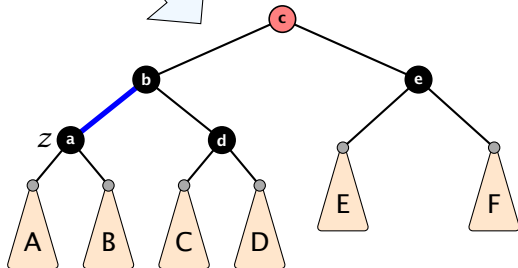
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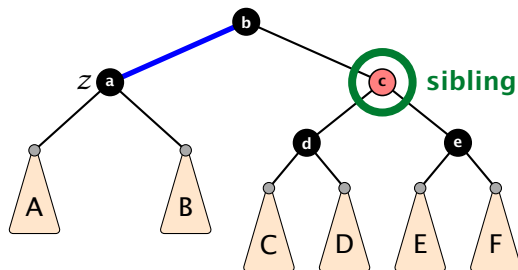
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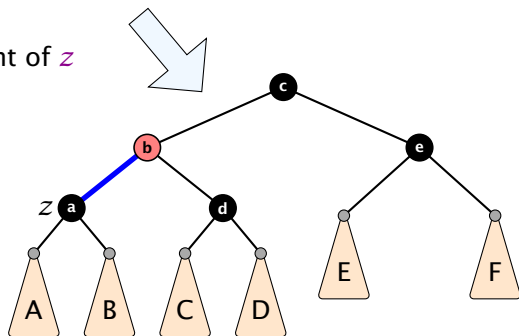
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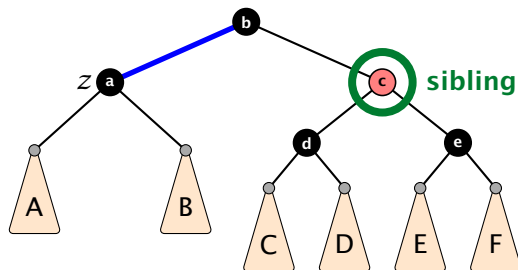
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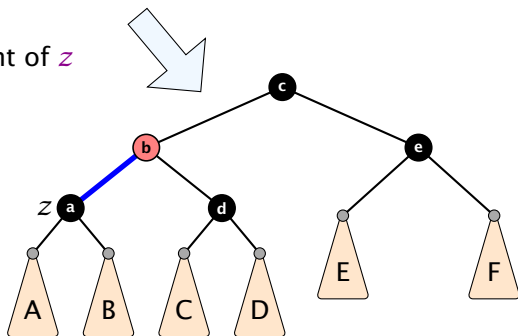
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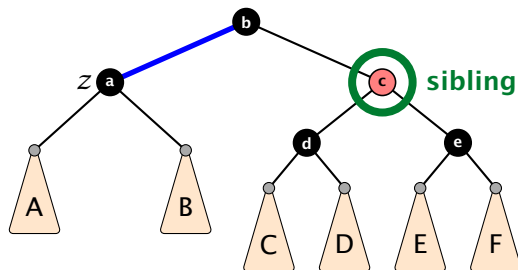
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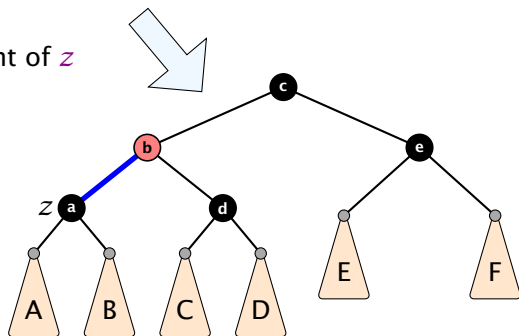
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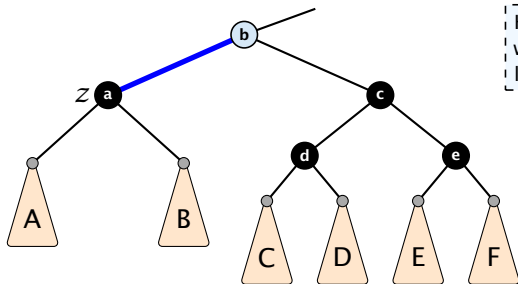
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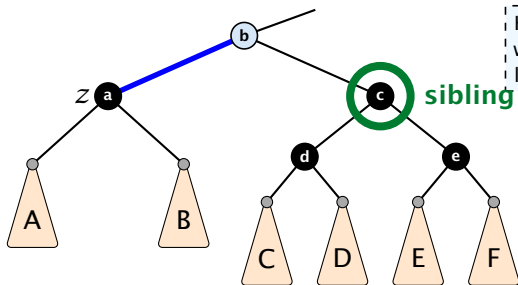


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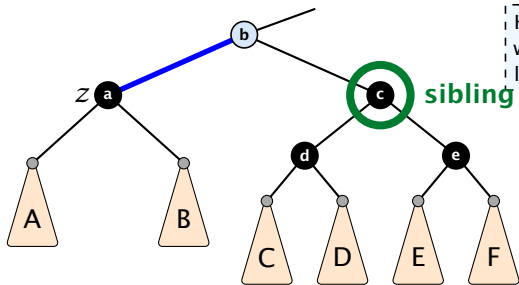
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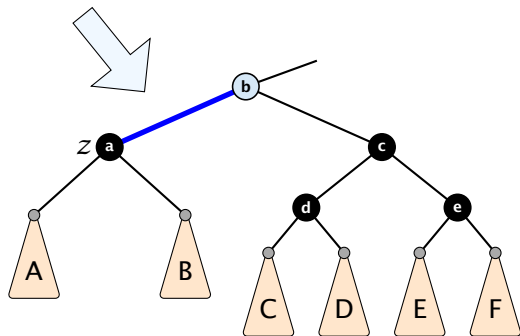


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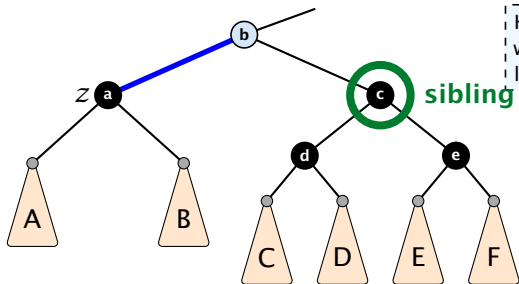
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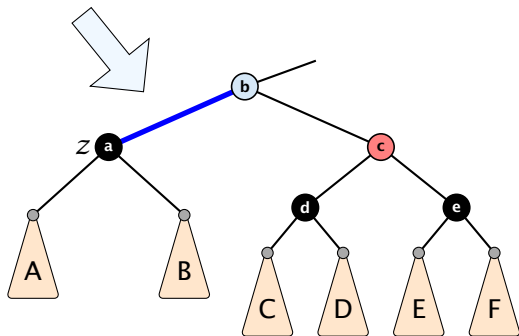


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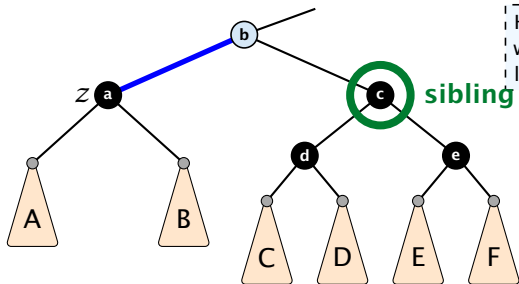


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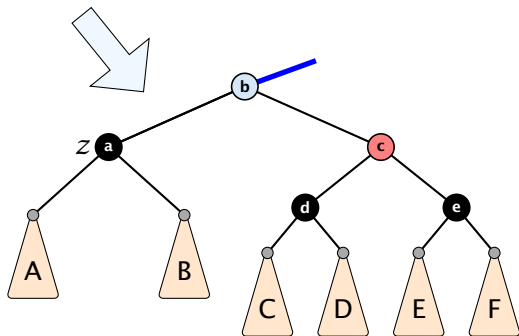


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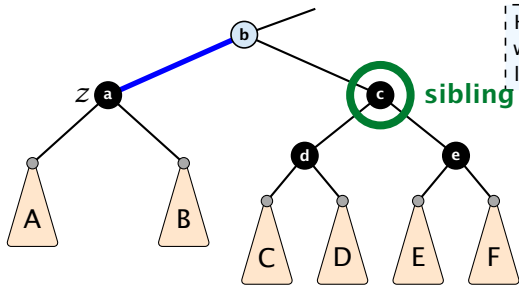


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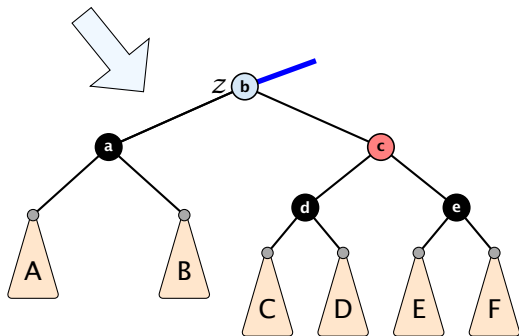


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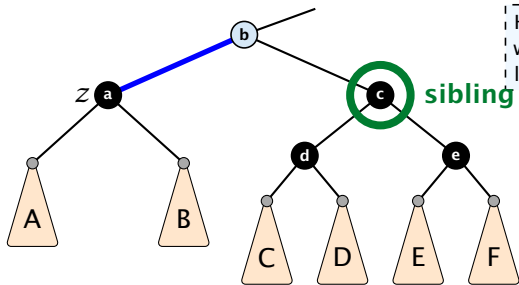


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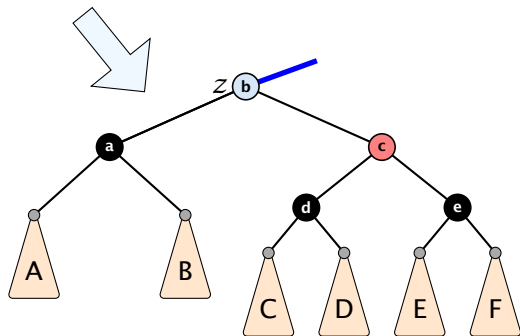


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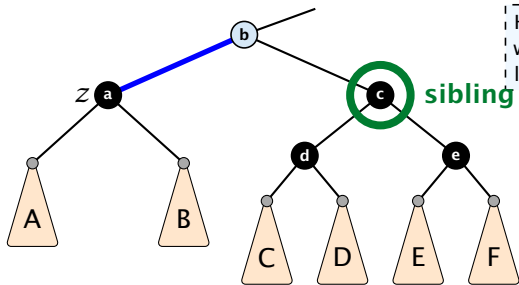


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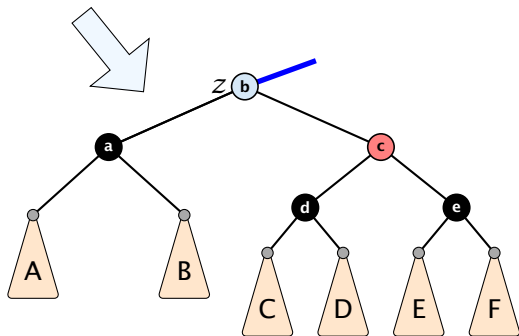


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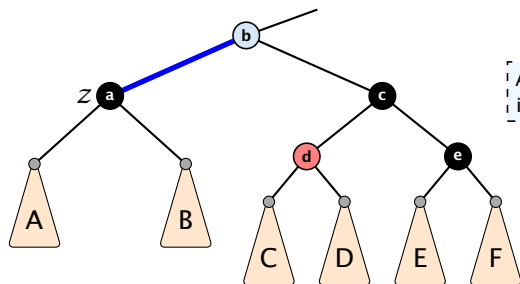


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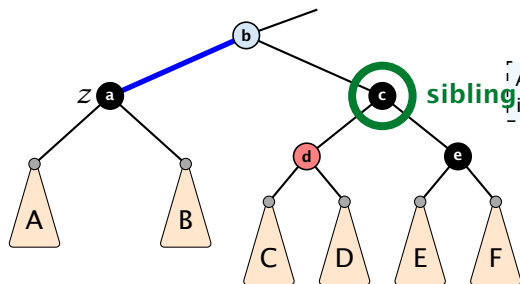


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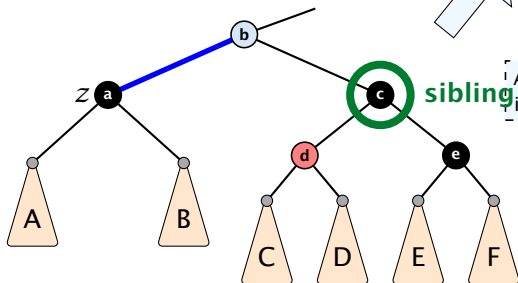
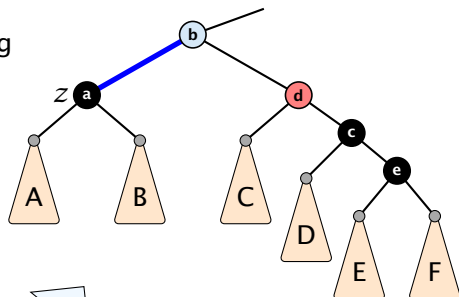
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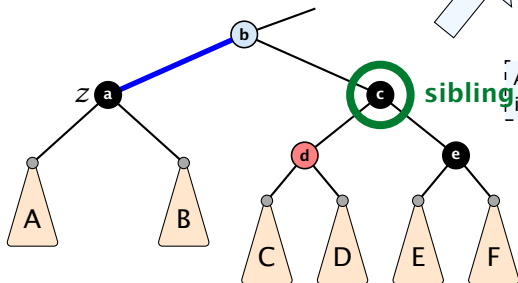
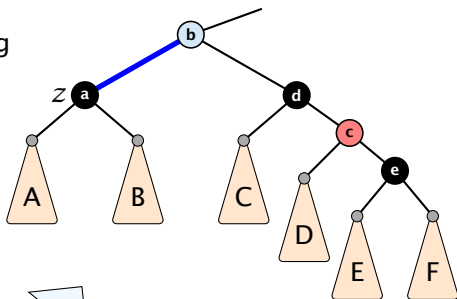
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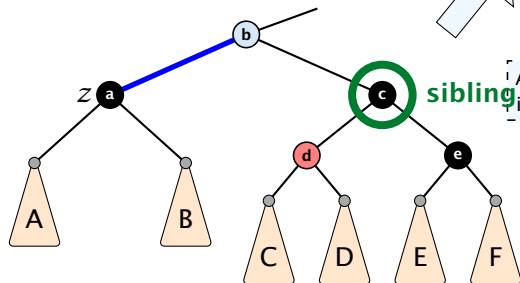
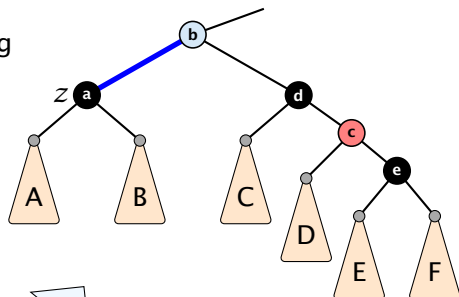
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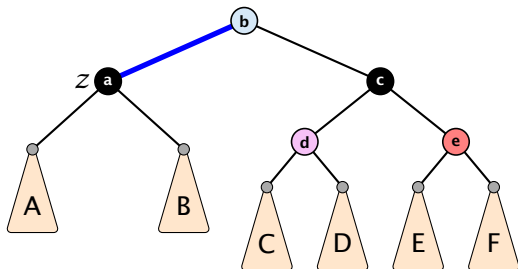
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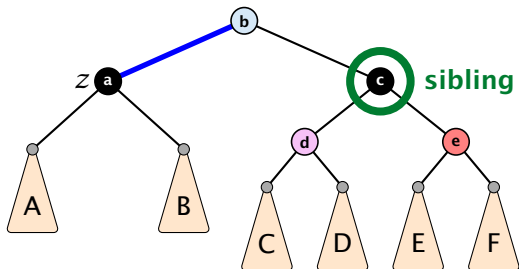
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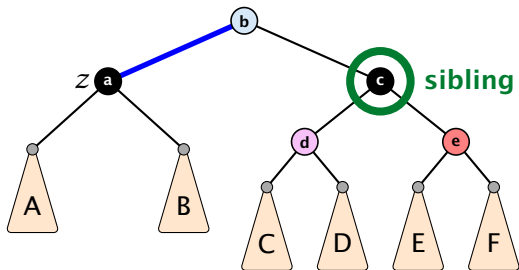
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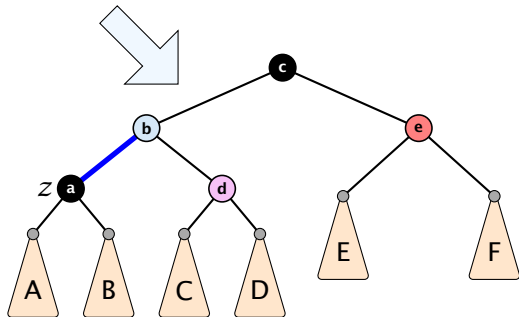
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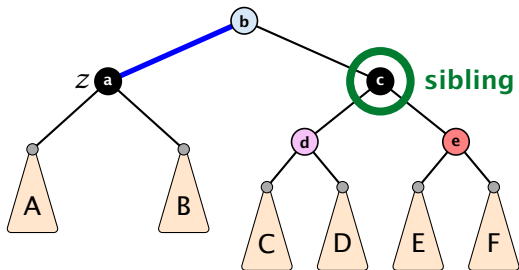


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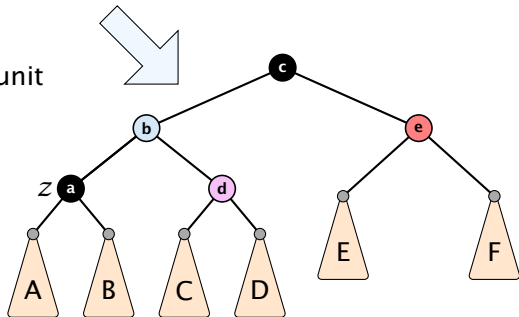


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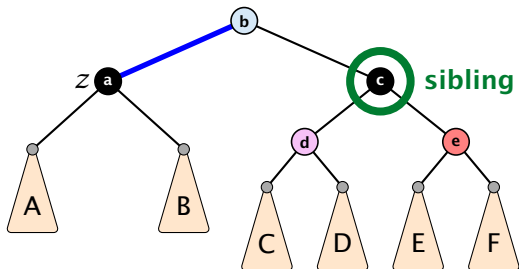


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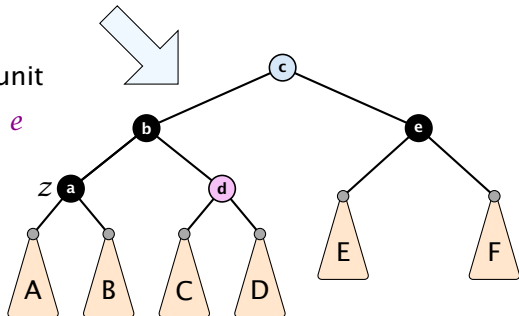


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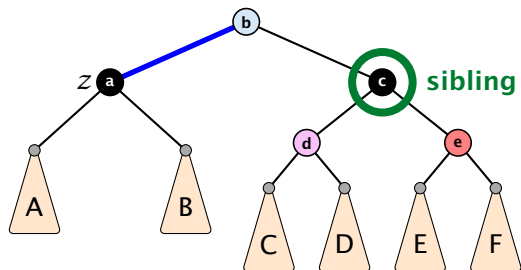


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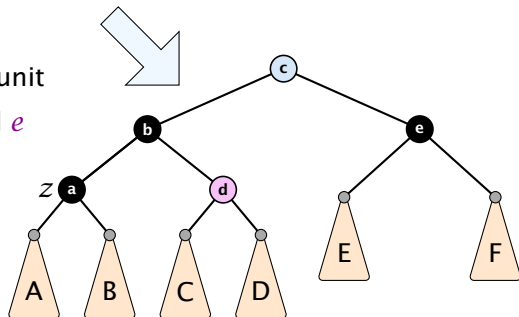


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Performing Case 2 at most $\mathcal{O}(\log n)$ times and every other step at most once, we get a red black tree. Hence, $\mathcal{O}(\log n)$ re-colorings and at most 3 rotations.