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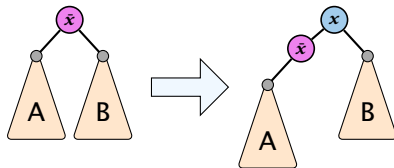
find(x)

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

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insert(x)

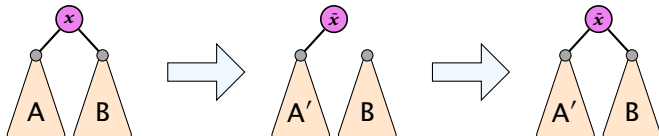
- ▶ search for x ; \bar{x} is last visited element during search (successor or predecessor of x)
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- ▶ insert x as new root



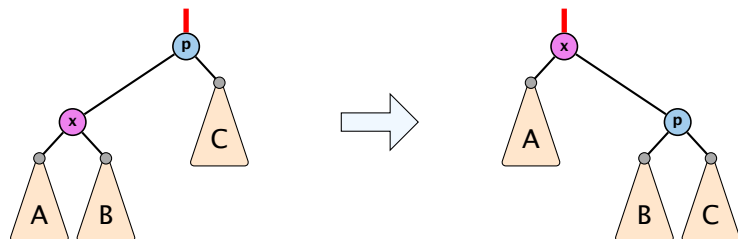
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delete(x)

- ▶ 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}



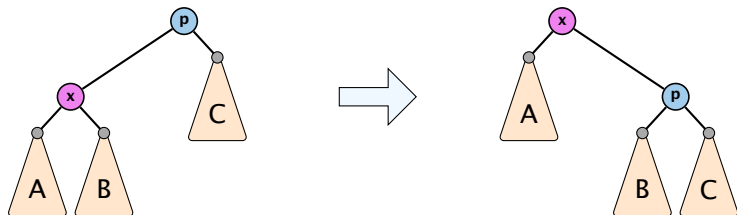
Move to Root



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

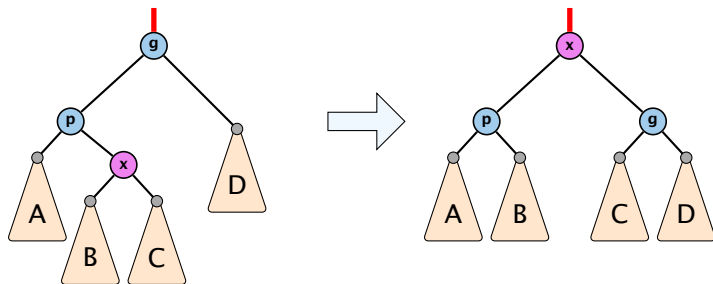
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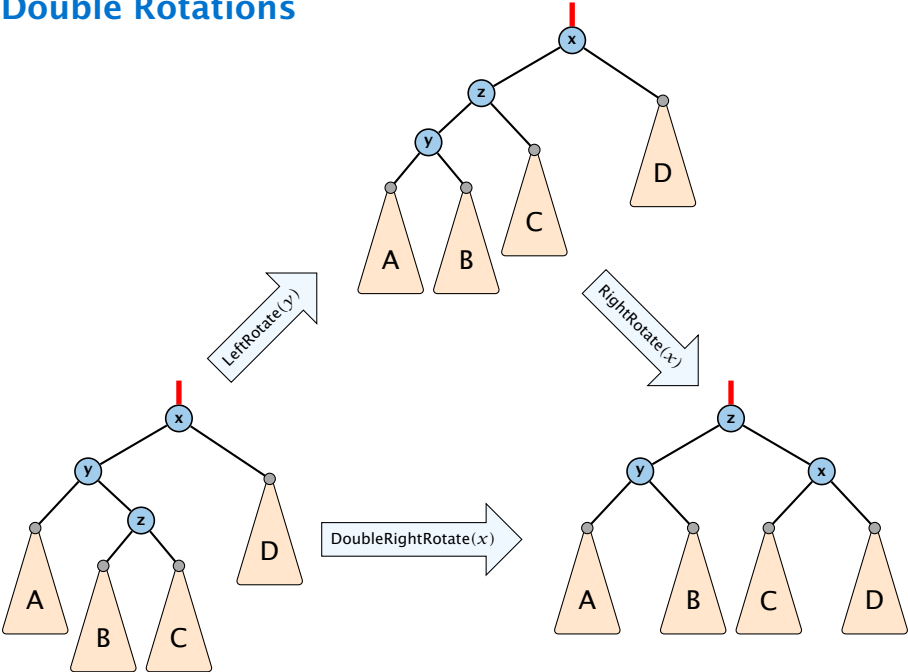
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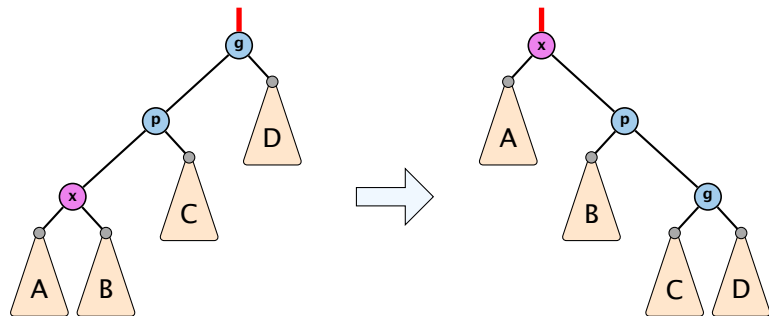
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Double Rotations



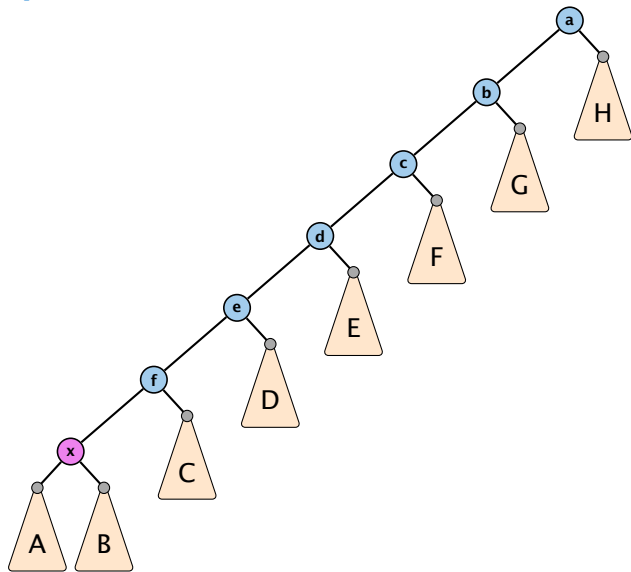
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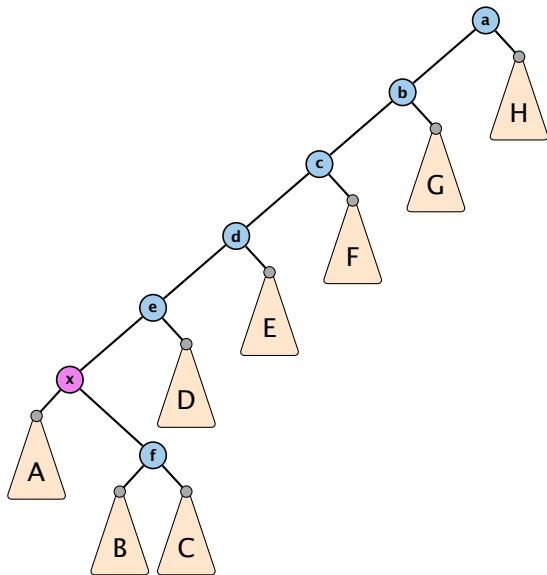
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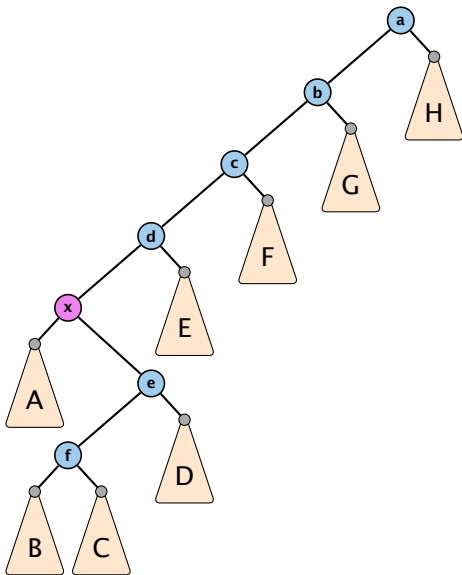
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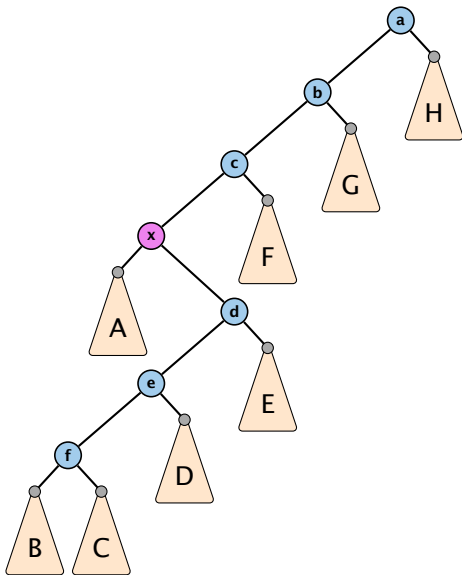
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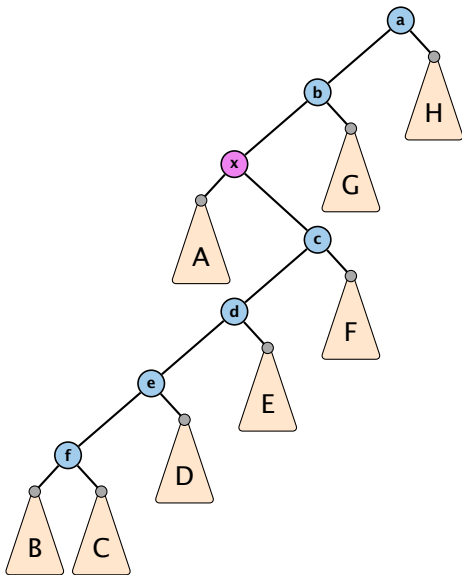
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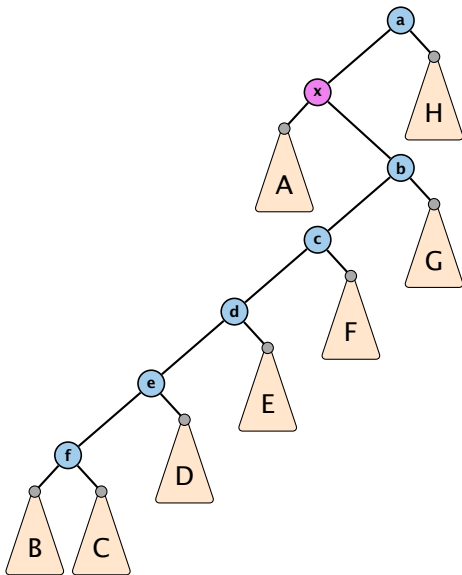
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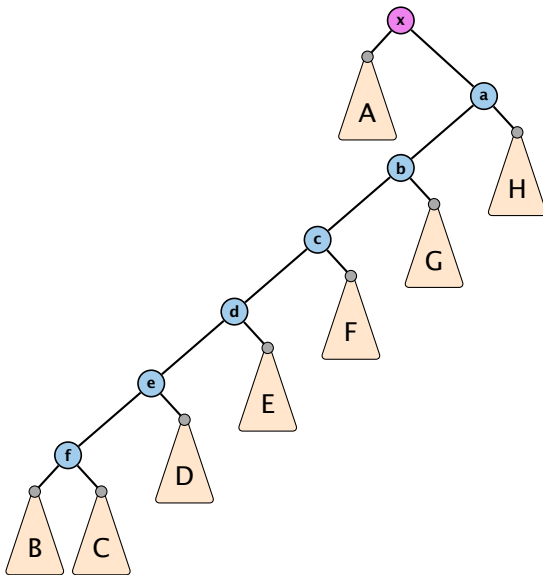
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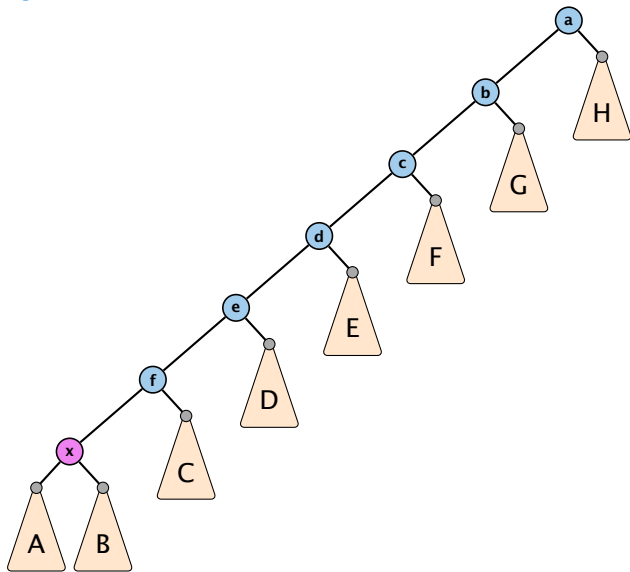
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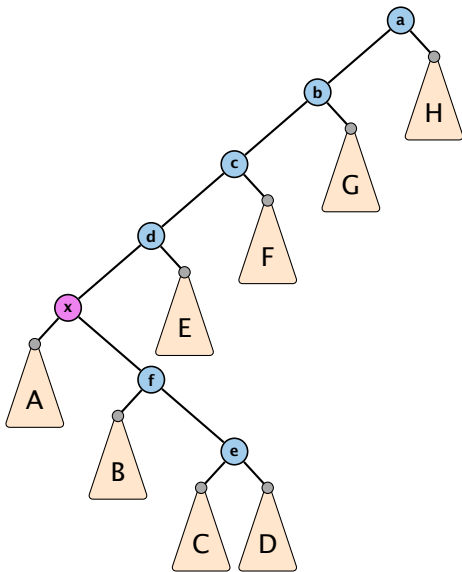
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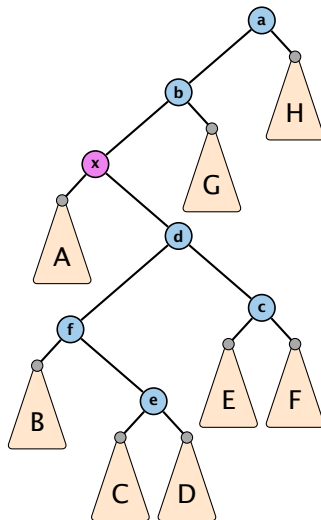
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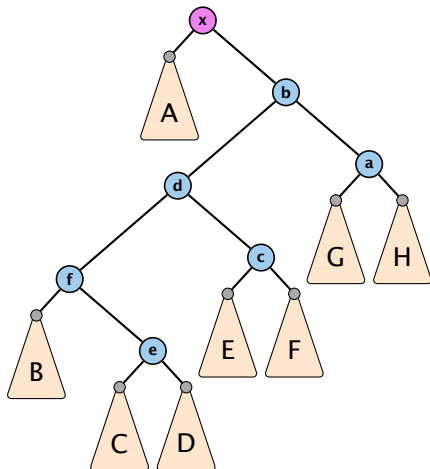
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Static Optimality

Suppose we have a sequence of m find-operations. $\text{find}(x)$ 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 $\mathcal{O}(\text{cost}(T_{\min}))$, where T_{\min} is an **optimal static search tree**.

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 1

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

Amortized Analysis

Definition 2

A data structure with operations $op_1(), \dots, op_k()$ has amortized running times t_1, \dots, 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 occurrences of $op_i()$ 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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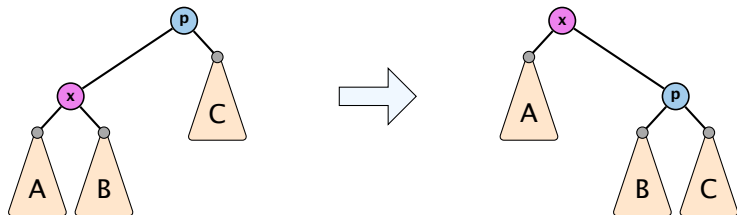
potential function for splay trees:

- ▶ size $s(x) = |T_x|$
- ▶ rank $r(x) = \log_2(s(x))$
- ▶ $\Phi(T) = \sum_{v \in T} r(v)$

amortized cost = real cost + potential change

The cost is essentially the cost of the splay-operation, which is 1 plus the number of rotations.

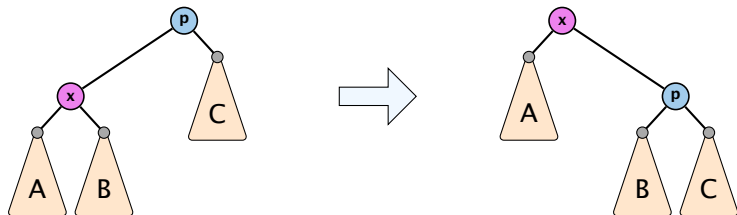
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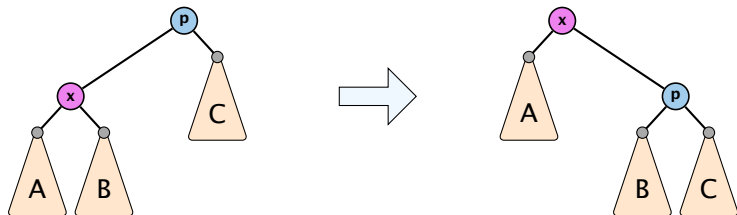
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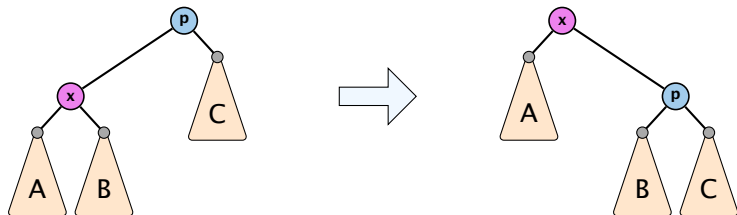
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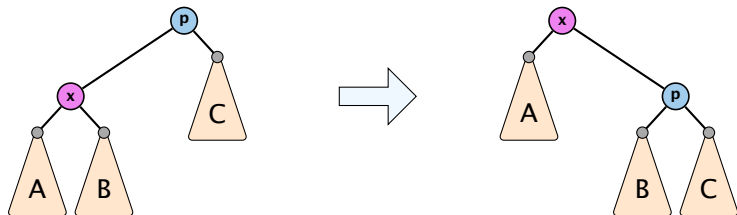
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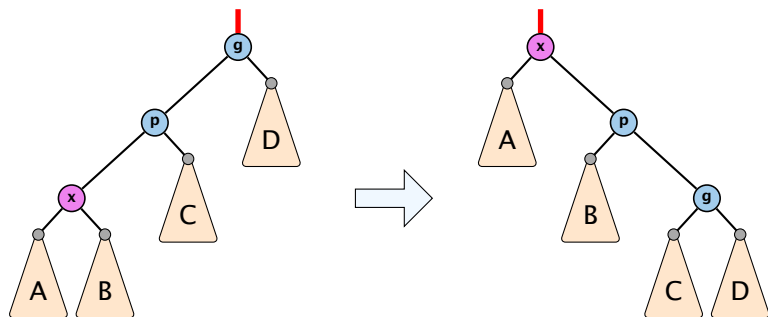
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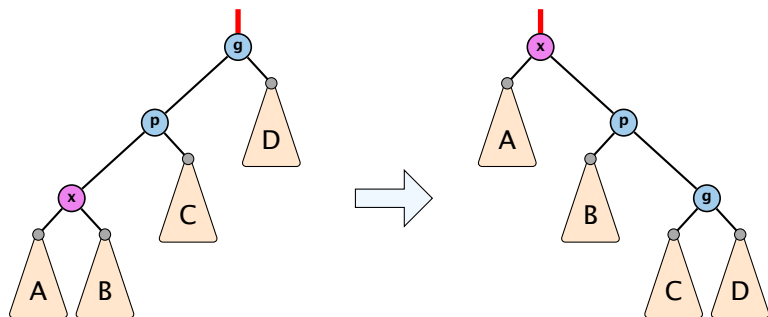
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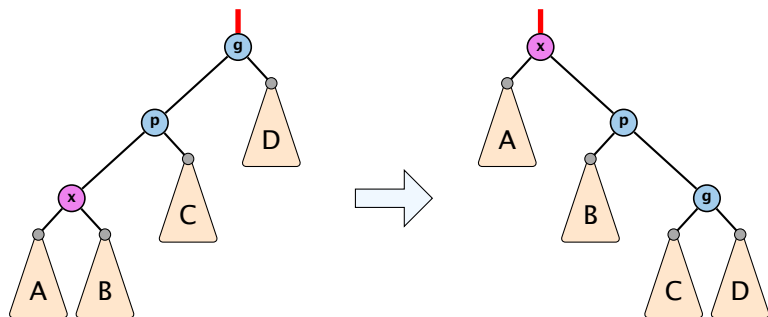
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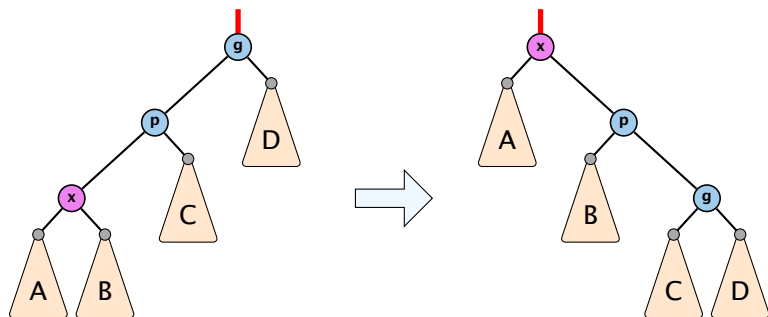
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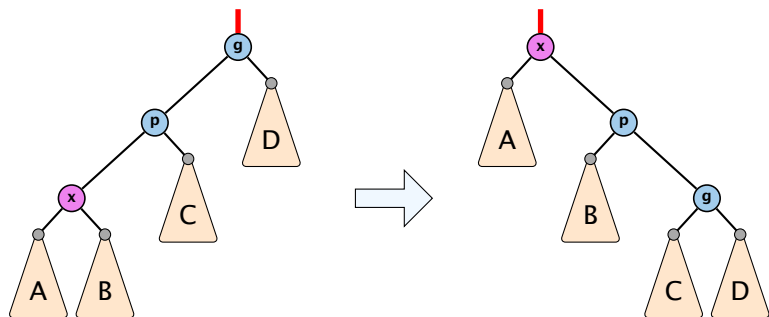
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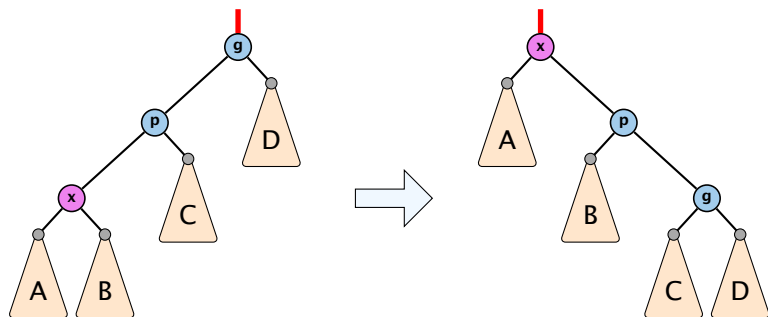
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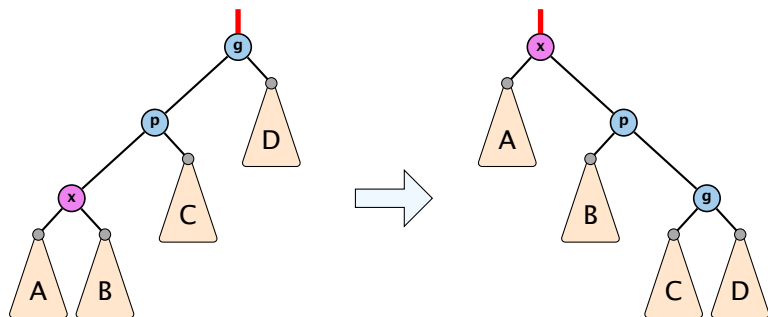
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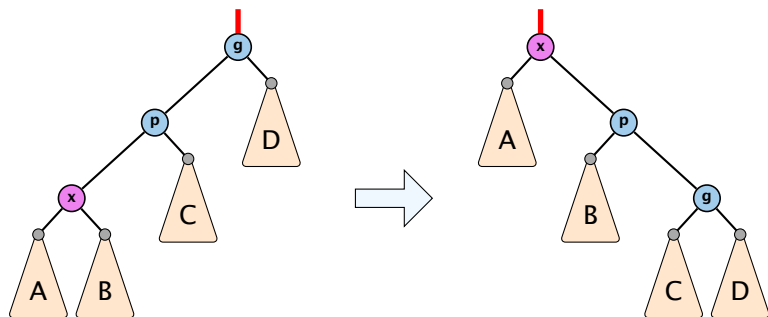
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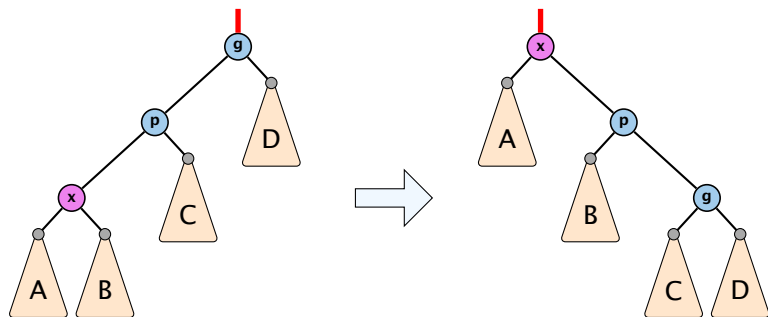
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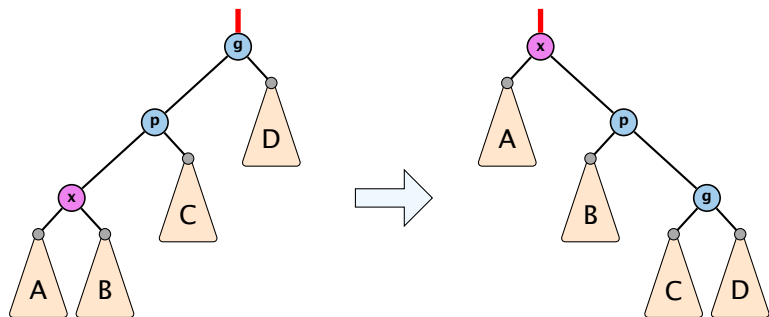
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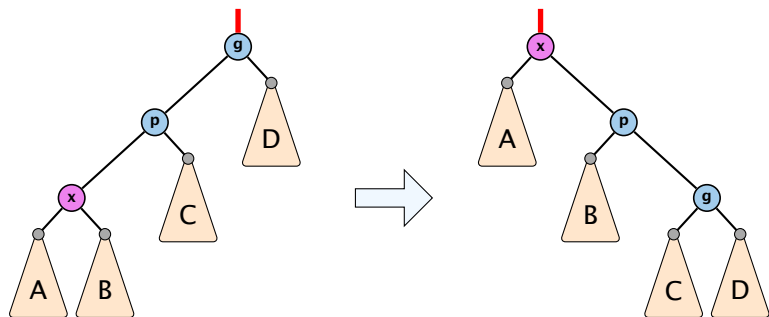
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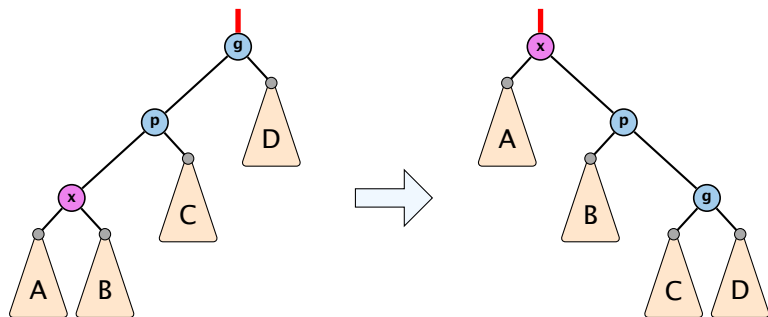
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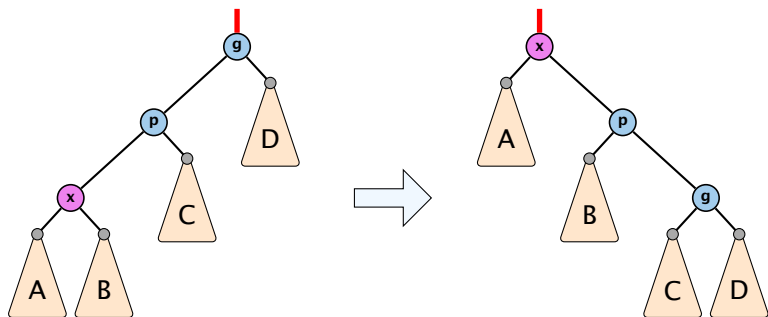
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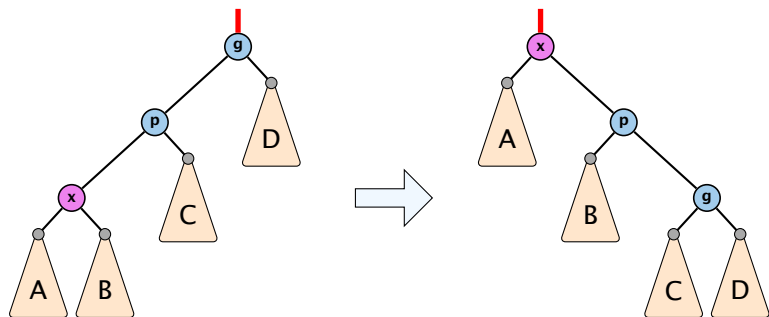
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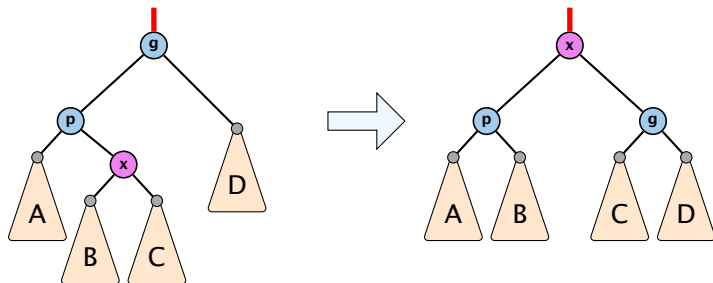
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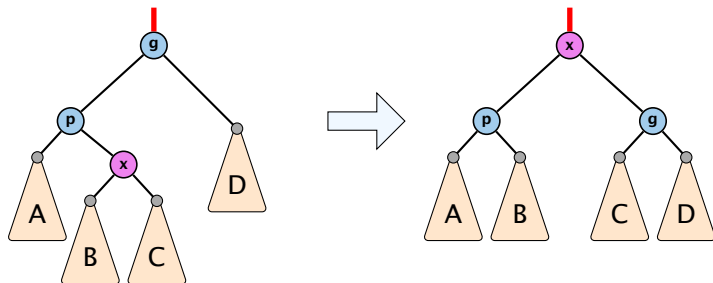
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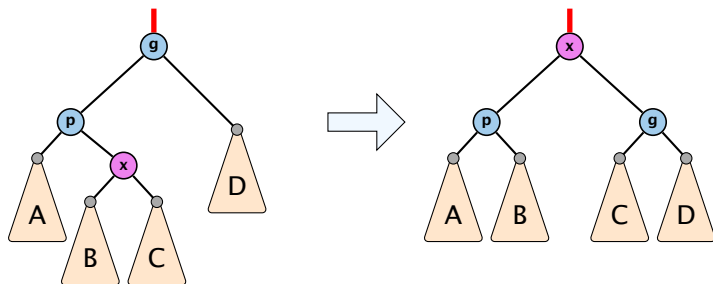
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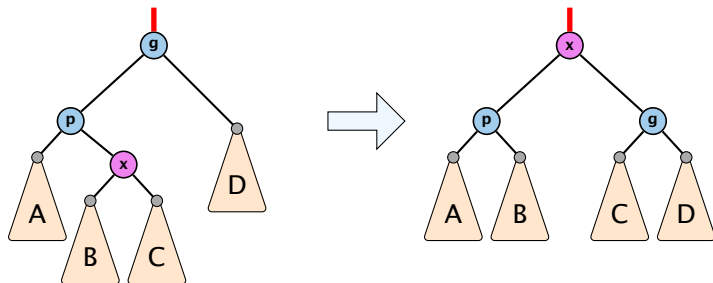
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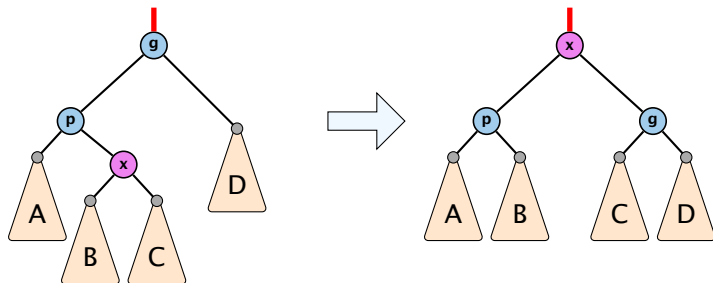
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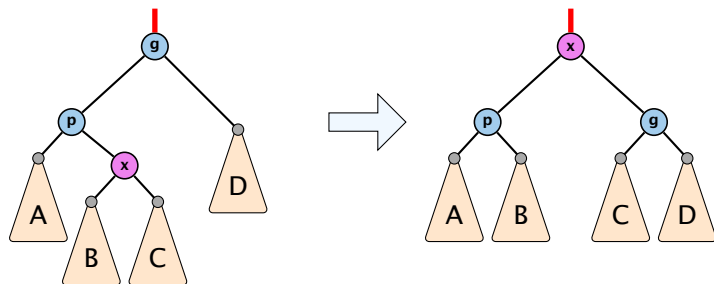
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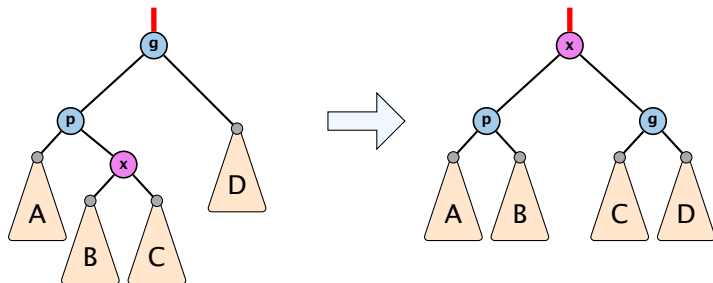
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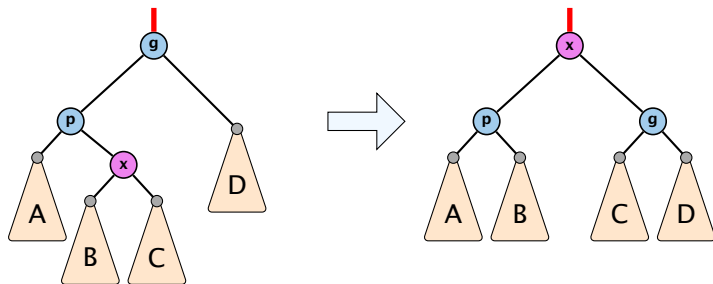
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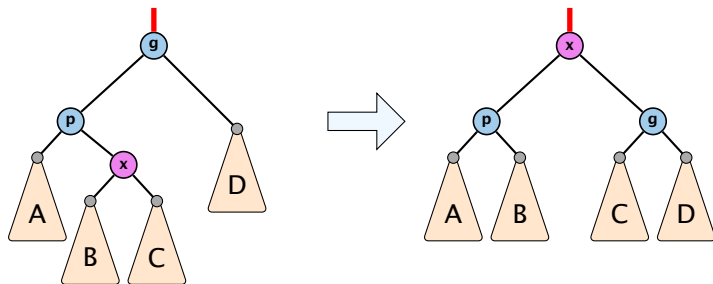
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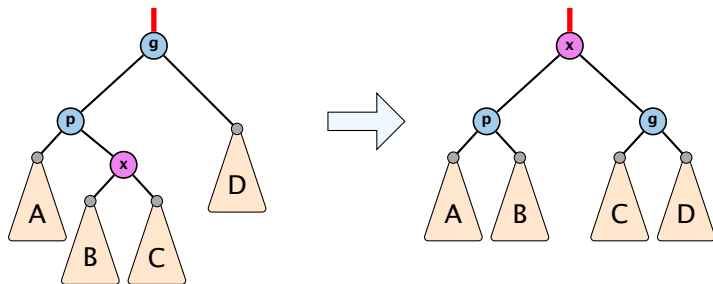
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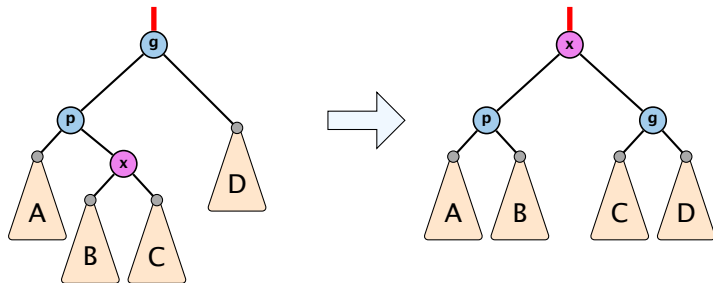
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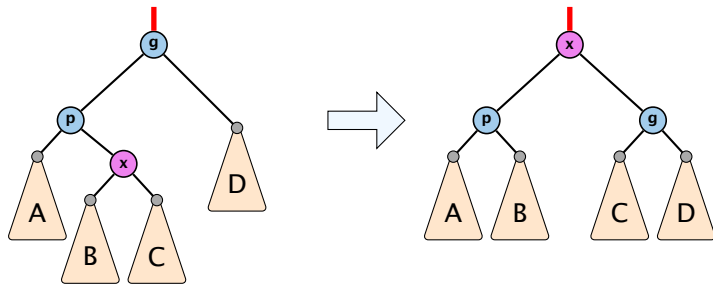
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