

# 50+ Red Black Tree MCQs with FREE PDF

1. *What are the operations that could be performed in  $O(\log n)$  time complexity by red-black tree?*

- a) insertion, deletion, finding predecessor, successor
- b) only insertion
- c) only finding predecessor, successor
- d) for sorting

**Answer:** insertion, deletion, finding predecessor, successor

2. *When to choose Red-Black tree, AVL tree and B-trees?*

- a) many inserts, many searches and when managing more items respectively
- b) many searches, when managing more items respectively and many inserts respectively
- c) sorting, sorting and retrieval respectively
- d) retrieval, sorting and retrieval respectively

**Answer:** many inserts, many searches and when managing more items respectively

3. *Which of the following is an application of Red-black trees and why?*

- a) used to store strings efficiently
- b) used to store integers efficiently
- c) can be used in process schedulers, maps, sets
- d) for efficient sorting

**Answer:** can be used in process schedulers, maps, sets

4. *When it would be optimal to prefer Red-black trees over AVL trees?*

- a) when there are more insertions or deletions
- b) when more search is needed
- c) when tree must be balanced
- d) when  $\log(\text{nodes})$  time complexity is needed

**Answer:** when there are more insertions or deletions

5. *What is the below pseudo code trying to do, where pt is a node pointer and root pointer?*

```
redblack(Node root, Node pt) :
    if (root == NULL)
        return pt

    if (pt.data < root.data)
    {
        root.left = redblack(root.left, pt);
        root.left.parent = root
    }
    else if (pt.data > root.data)
    {
        root.right = redblackt(root.right, pt)
```

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    root.right.parent = root
}
return root

```

- a) insert a new node
- b) delete a node
- c) search a node
- d) count the number of nodes

**Answer:** insert a new node

*6. Why Red-black trees are preferred over hash tables though hash tables have constant time complexity?*

- a) no they are not preferred
- b) because of resizing issues of hash table and better ordering in redblack trees
- c) because they can be implemented using trees
- d) because they are balanced

**Answer:** because of resizing issues of hash table and better ordering in redblack trees

*7. How can you save memory when storing color information in Red-Black tree?*

- a) using least significant bit of one of the pointers in the node for color information
- b) using another array with colors of each node
- c) storing color information in the node structure
- d) using negative and positive numbering

**Answer:** using least significant bit of one of the pointers in the node for color information

*8. What is the special property of red-black trees and what root should always be?*

- a) a color which is either red or black and root should always be black color only
- b) height of the tree
- c) pointer to next node
- d) a color which is either green or black

**Answer:** a color which is either red or black and root should always be black color only

*9. Why do we impose restrictions like*

- . root property is black
  - . every leaf is black
  - . children of red node are black
  - . all leaves have same black
- a) to get logarithm time complexity

- b) to get linear time complexity
- c) to get exponential time complexity
- d) to get constant time complexity

**Answer:** to get logarithm time complexity

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