

# COL106

# Data Structures and Algorithms

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# Fibonacci Heaps

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# Why Binomial/Fibonacci Heaps?

Operation	Linked List	Binary Heap	Binomial Heap	Fibonacci Heap <sup>†</sup>	Relaxed Heap
<i>make-heap</i>	1	1	1	1	1
<i>is-empty</i>	1	1	1	1	1
<i>insert</i>	1	$\log n$	$\log n$	1	1
<i>delete-min</i>	$n$	$\log n$	$\log n$	$\log n$	$\log n$
<i>decrease-key</i>	$n$	$\log n$	$\log n$	1	1
<i>delete</i>	$n$	$\log n$	$\log n$	$\log n$	$\log n$
<i>union</i>	1	$n$	$\log n$	1	1
<i>find-min</i>	$n$	1	$\log n$	1	1

$n$  = number of elements in priority queue

Runtime of  
Dijkstra's/Prim's  
Algorithm

$O(|V|^2)$

$O(|E|\log(|V|))$

$O(|E| + |V|\log(|V|))$

*Dijkstra's/Prim's*

1 make-heap

$|V|$  insert

$|V|$  delete-min

$|E|$  decrease

# Why Fibonacci Heaps?

- History. [\[Fredman and Tarjan, 1986\]](#)
  - Ingenious data structure and analysis.
  - Original motivation: improve Dijkstra's shortest path algorithm from  $O(E \log V)$  to  $O(E + V \log V)$
  - Also works for Prim's MST algorithm
- $O(1)$  decrease key operation (amortized)
- Need all your attention

# Fibonacci Heaps: Key Ideas

- Binomial trees
- Lazy merging of trees at the heap root
  - Only merge trees during deleteMin operation
  - Union of two heaps in  $O(1)$  time
- Amortized analysis
- Decrease key implemented using direct cutting of the node subtree and moving to root
  - No longer perfect binomial trees
  - Maintain nodes as marked and limit such imperfections
  - Nice properties (degrees, size) of binomial tree are preserved

# Amortized Analysis

- Consider an algorithm taking times  $t_1, t_2, \dots, t_k$  for performing  $k$  operations in sequence
- We cannot bound the worst-case time  $t_i$
- Maintain a potential function  $\phi(i)$  at every step
- $\phi(i)$  is like a computation bank.
  - You may deposit and withdraw from it to bound worst case amortized time  $at_i$
  - $\phi(i)$  may depend on the internal state of the data structures
- Amortized time at step  $i$ ,  $at_i = t_i + \phi(i+1) - \phi(i)$
- Total time =  $\sum_{i=1}^T t_i = \sum_{i=1}^T at_i - \phi(T+1) + \phi(1)$
- If  $\phi(T+1) - \phi(1)$ , then total time is same as total amortized time
- Example: Analysis of dynamic arrays

# Example: Time to Increment a Binary Number

- Given an n-bit binary number
- How long does it take to increment it?

$b_n b_{n-1} \dots b_2 b_1 b_0$

**Worst case time:**  $O(n)$  because if  $b_{n-1} \dots b_0$  are all 1's then one needs to flip all the bits

Let  $\phi$  = number of bits that are 1

**Amortized time:**

- The algo start with flipping the lsb's that are 1
- Stops when it reaches a bit that is 0 after making it 1
- Time taken: Number of 1's flopped to zero + 1
- Amortized time taken: 2

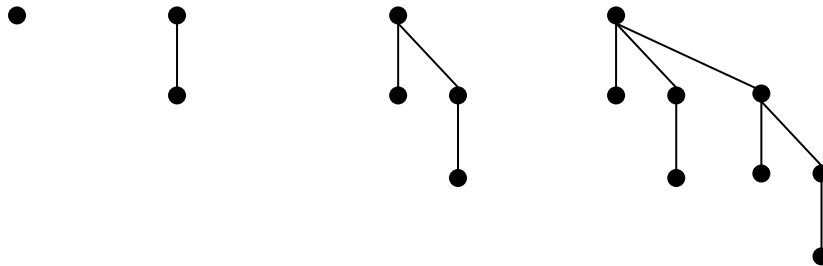
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# Fibonacci Heaps: Lazy Merging at the Root

## Basic idea.

- Similar to binomial heaps, but less rigid structure.
- Binomial heap: **eagerly** consolidate trees after each *insert*.



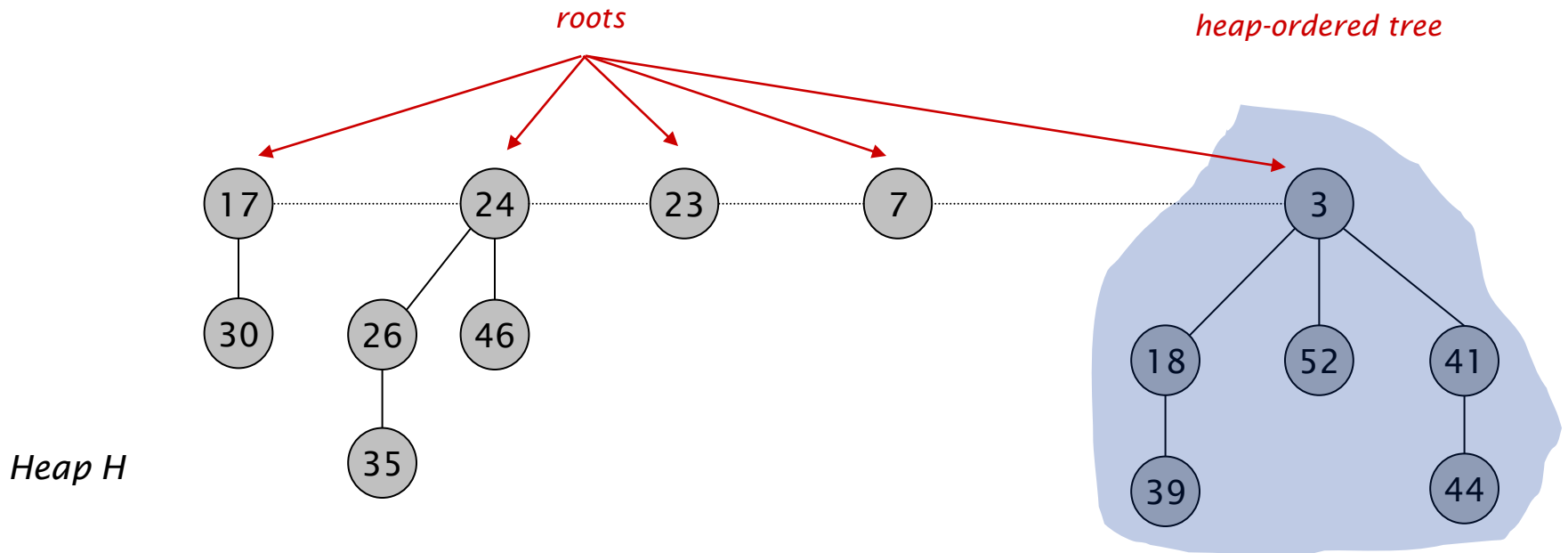
- Fibonacci heap: **lazily** defer consolidation until next *delete-min*.

# Fibonacci Heaps: Structure

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- Set of **heap-ordered** trees.
- Maintain pointer to minimum element.
- Set of marked nodes.

each parent larger than its children

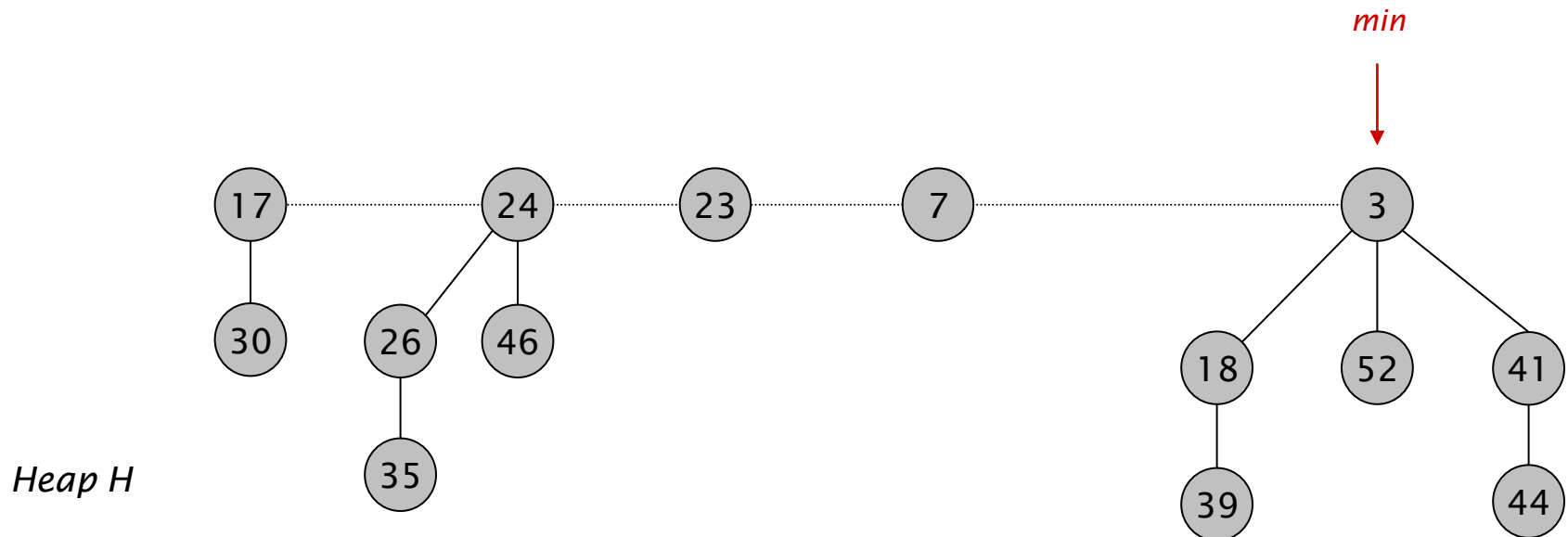


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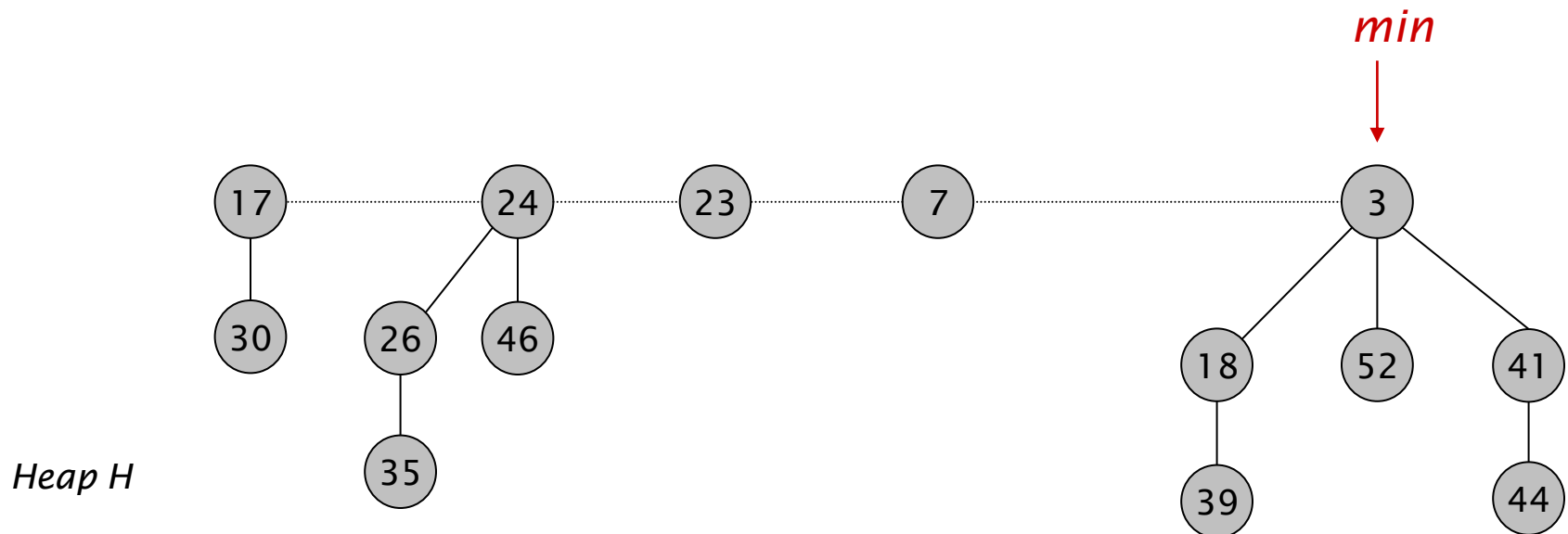


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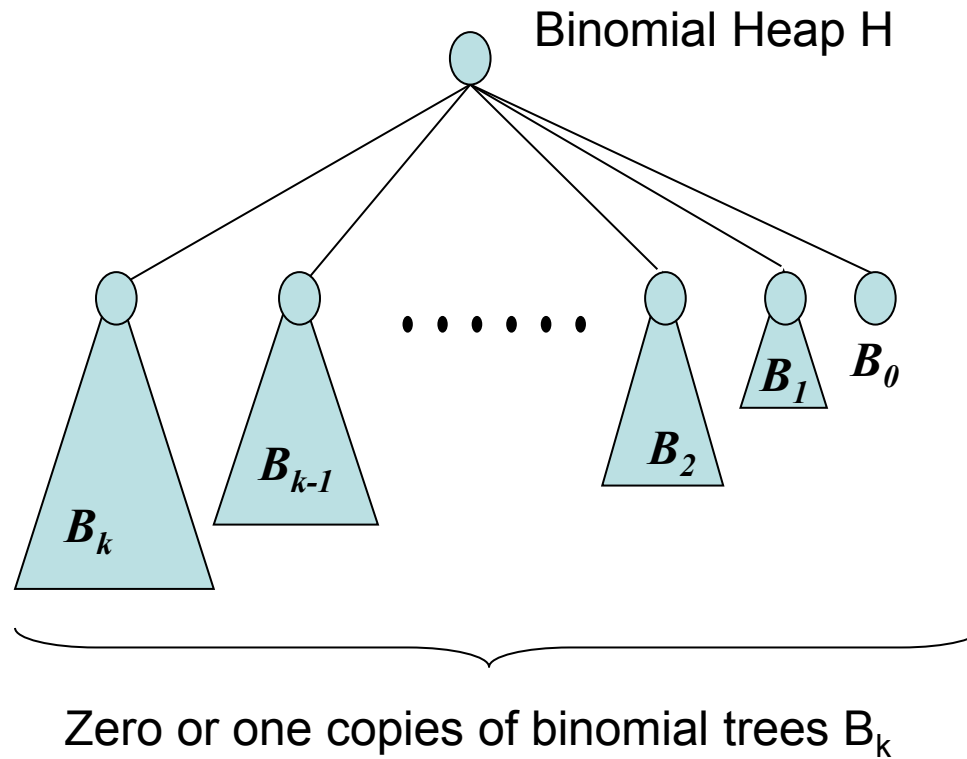
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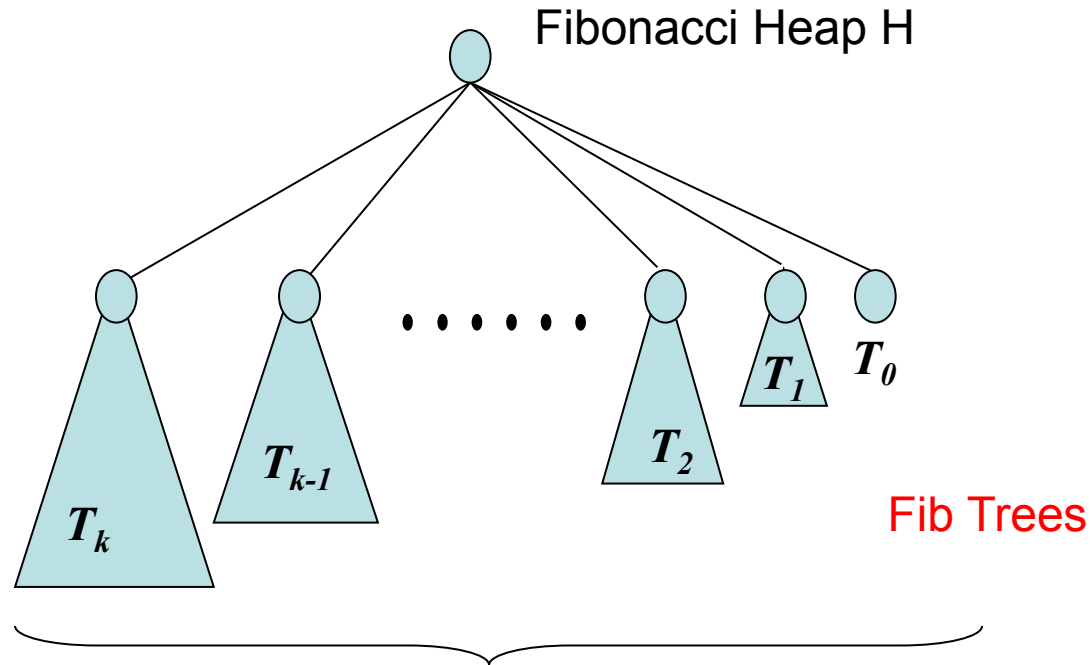
merge heaps takes  $O(1)$  time



# Binomial Heap



# Fibonacci Heap



~~Zero or one copies of binomial trees  $B_k$~~

Can have many more trees

No longer binomial trees, but “defective” binomial trees

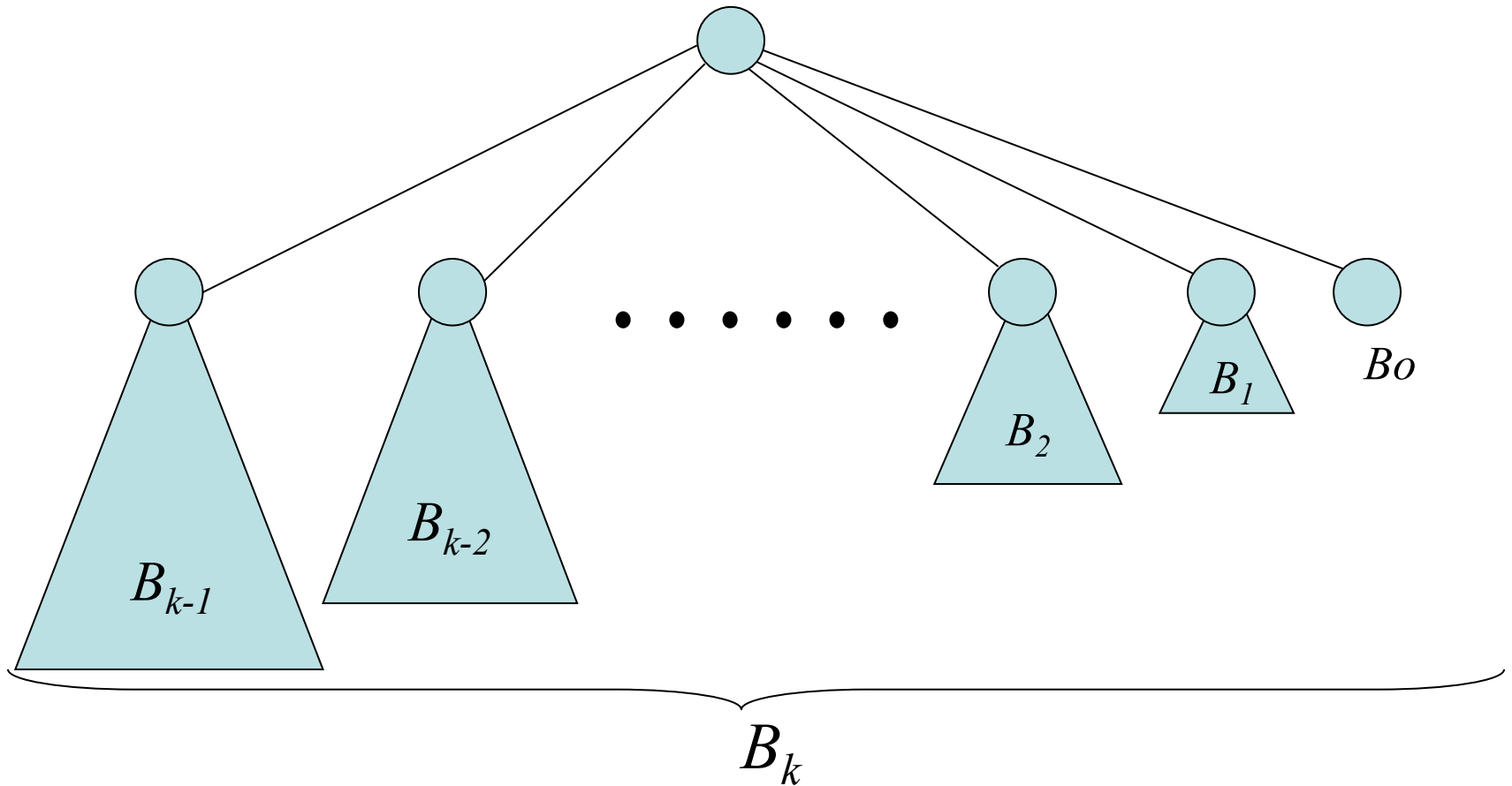
All trees satisfy the heap property

# Fib Trees

- Define rank of a tree,  $\text{rank}(T)$  as the number of children of the root of the tree  $T$
- The Fib  $F_k$  is a tree of rank( $k$ ) defined recursively
  - $F_0$  Consists of a single node
  - $F_1$  A single node with a single child
  - $\vdots$
  - $F_k$  is a Fib tree of rank  $k$  with children  $T_1, T_2, \dots, T_k$  such that

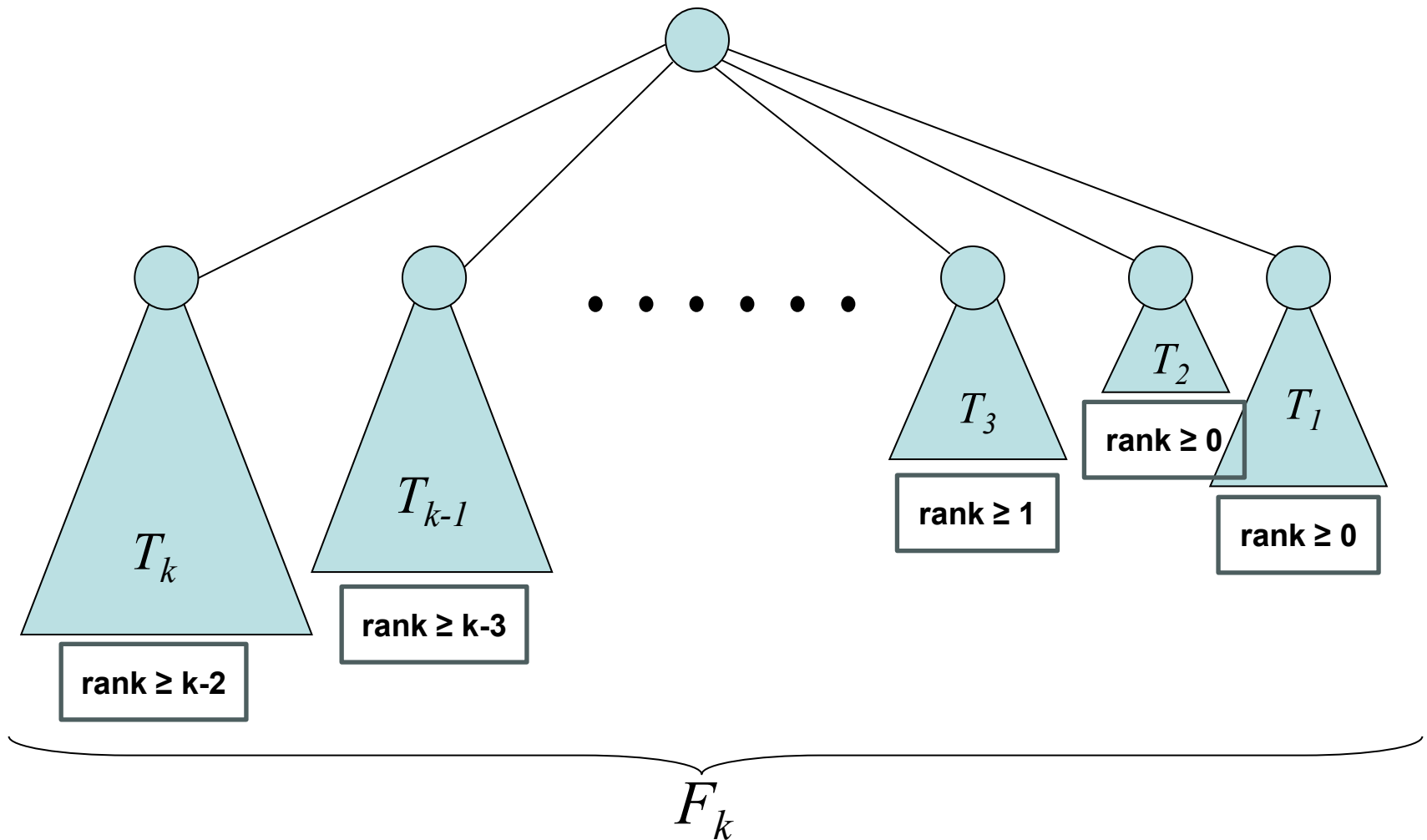
$$\text{rank}(T_i) \geq \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } i = 1 \\ i - 2, & \text{if } i \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

# Binomial Trees





# Fib Trees



# Properties of Fib Trees

*Define:  $\text{size}(T)$  as the number of nodes in  $T$*

*$D(T) = \max$  degree of the nodes in  $T$*

*Lemma: For the Fib tree  $F_k$*

1.  $\text{size}(F_k) \geq \phi^k$  where  $\phi = (1 + \sqrt{5}) / 2$
2.  $D(F_k) \leq \log_{\phi}(\text{size}(F_k))$

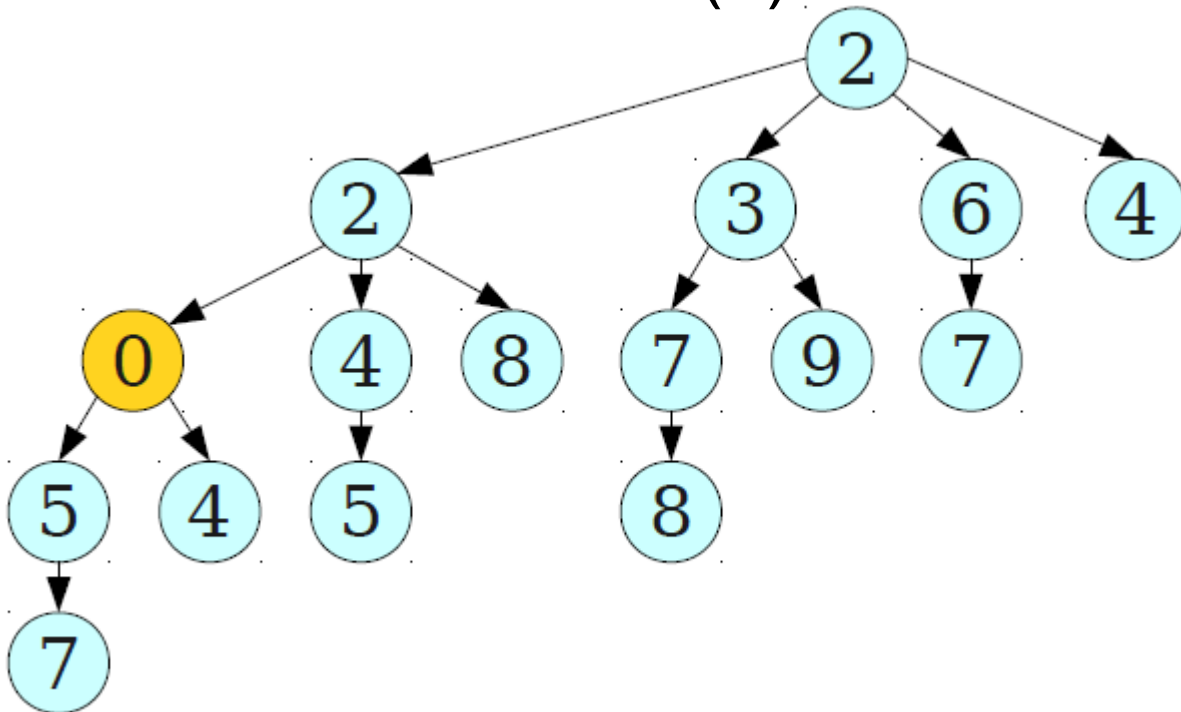
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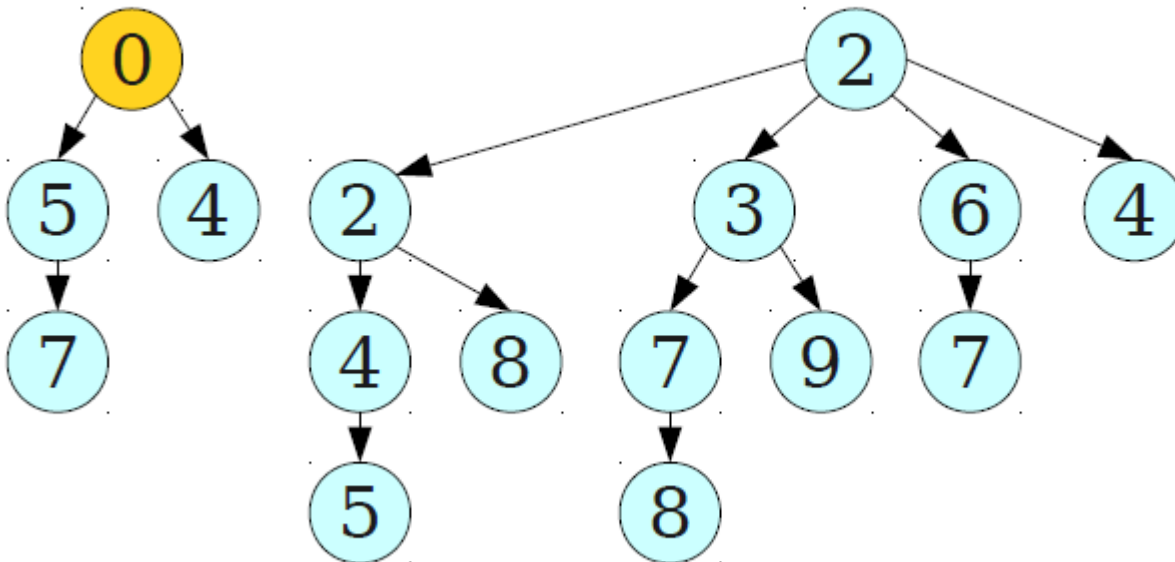
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- Naive implementation
- Compare with the parent and bubble up
- May need  $O(\log(n))$  time



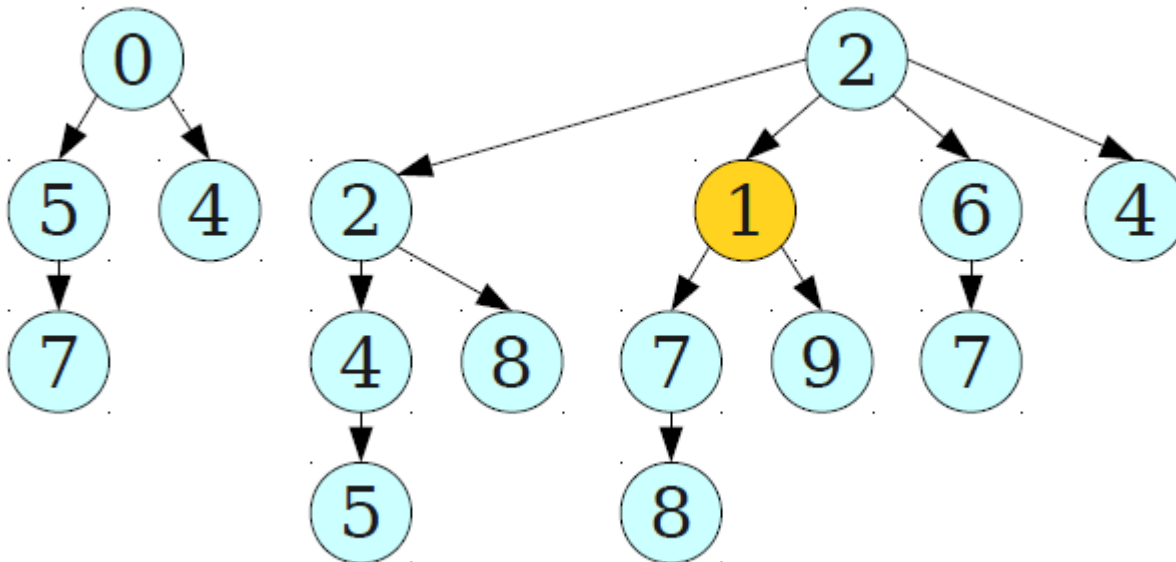
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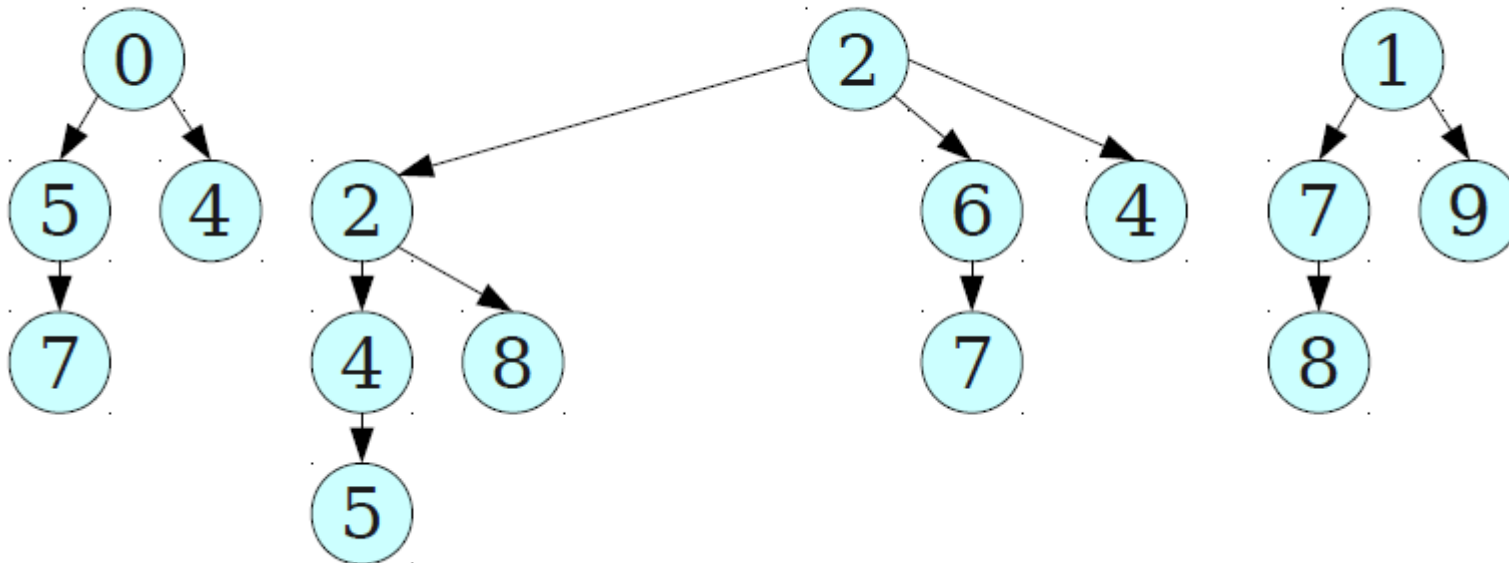


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decreaseKey(x)

- Cut the node x and move subtree to root
- $O(1)$  operation



# decreaseKey

- To implement *decrease-key* efficiently:
  - Lower the key of the specified node
  - If its key is greater than or equal to its parent's key, we're done
  - Otherwise, cut that node from its parent and hoist it up to the root list, optionally updating the min pointer
  - Time required:  $O(1)$
- This requires some changes to the tree representation



# Fibonacci Heaps: Structure

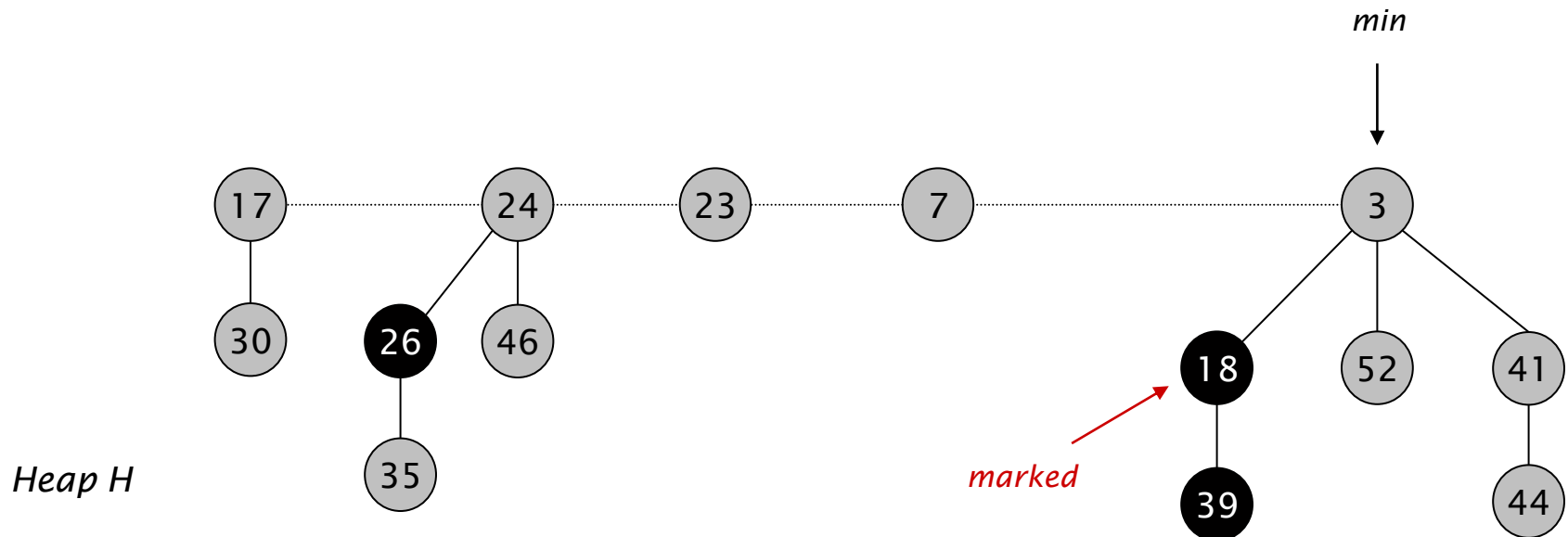
## Fibonacci heap.

- Set of heap-ordered trees.
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↖ If a node's child has been cut it is marked

No node can have more than one child cut

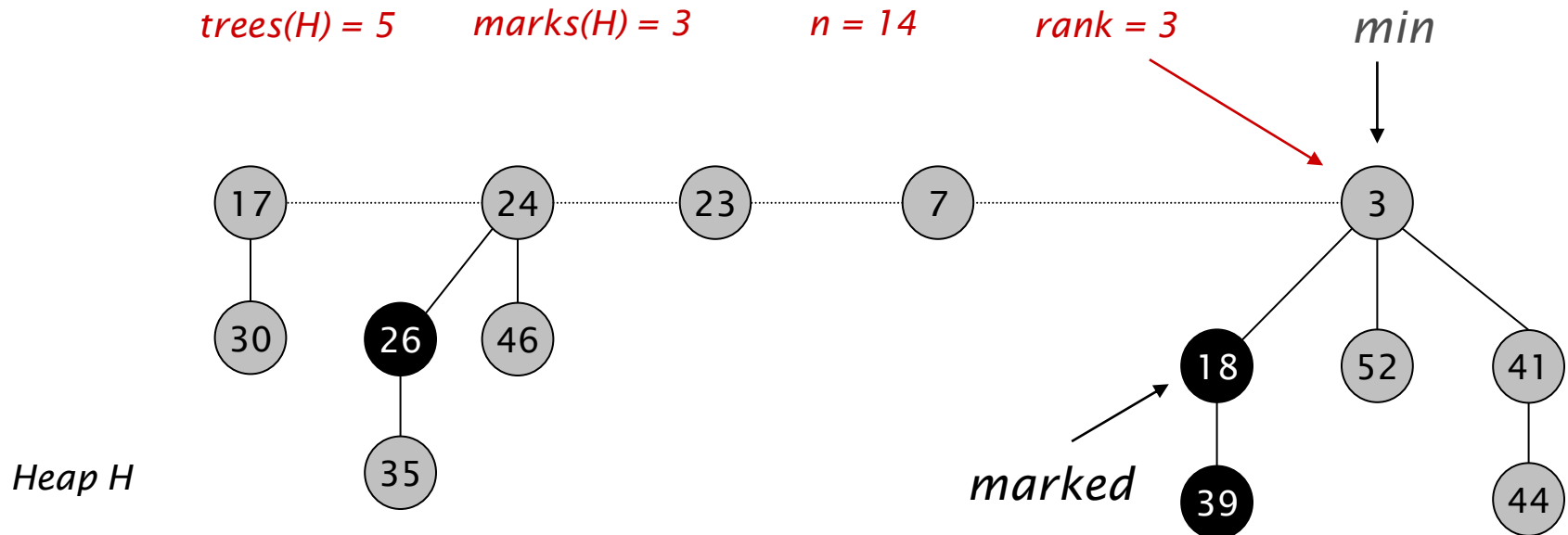
Used to keep heaps flat (stay tuned)



# Fibonacci Heaps: Notation

## Notation.

- $n$  = number of nodes in heap.
- $rank(x)$  = number of children of node  $x$ .
- $rank(H)$  = max rank of any node in heap  $H$ .
- $trees(H)$  = number of trees in heap  $H$ .
- $marks(H)$  = number of marked nodes in heap  $H$ .



# Fibonacci Heaps: Potential Function

$$\Phi(H) = \text{trees}(H) + 2 \cdot \text{marks}(H)$$

*potential of heap H*

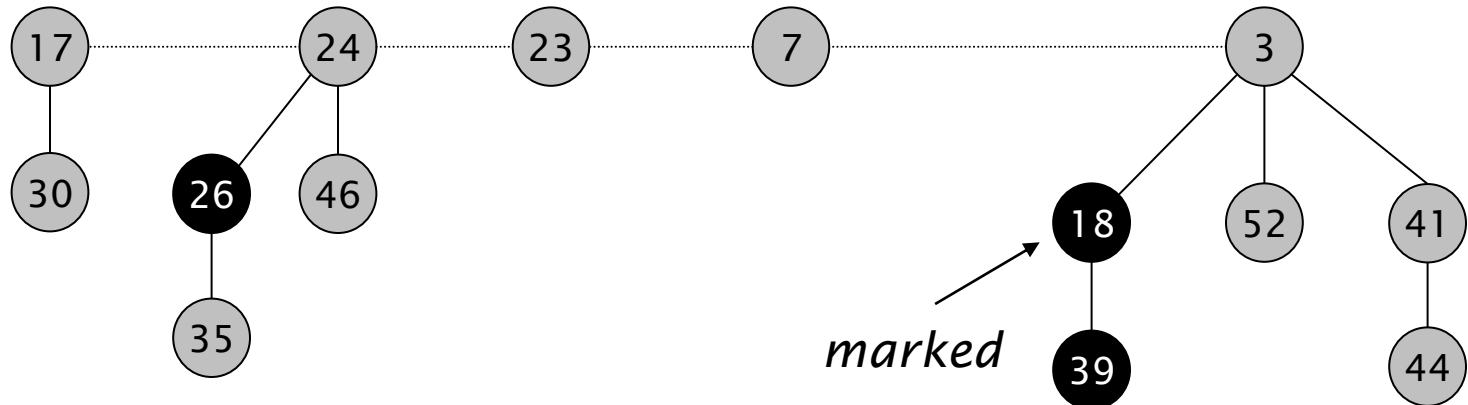
$\text{trees}(H) = 5$

$\text{marks}(H) = 3$

$\Phi(H) = 5 + 2 \cdot 3 = 11$

*min*

*Heap H*



# Insert

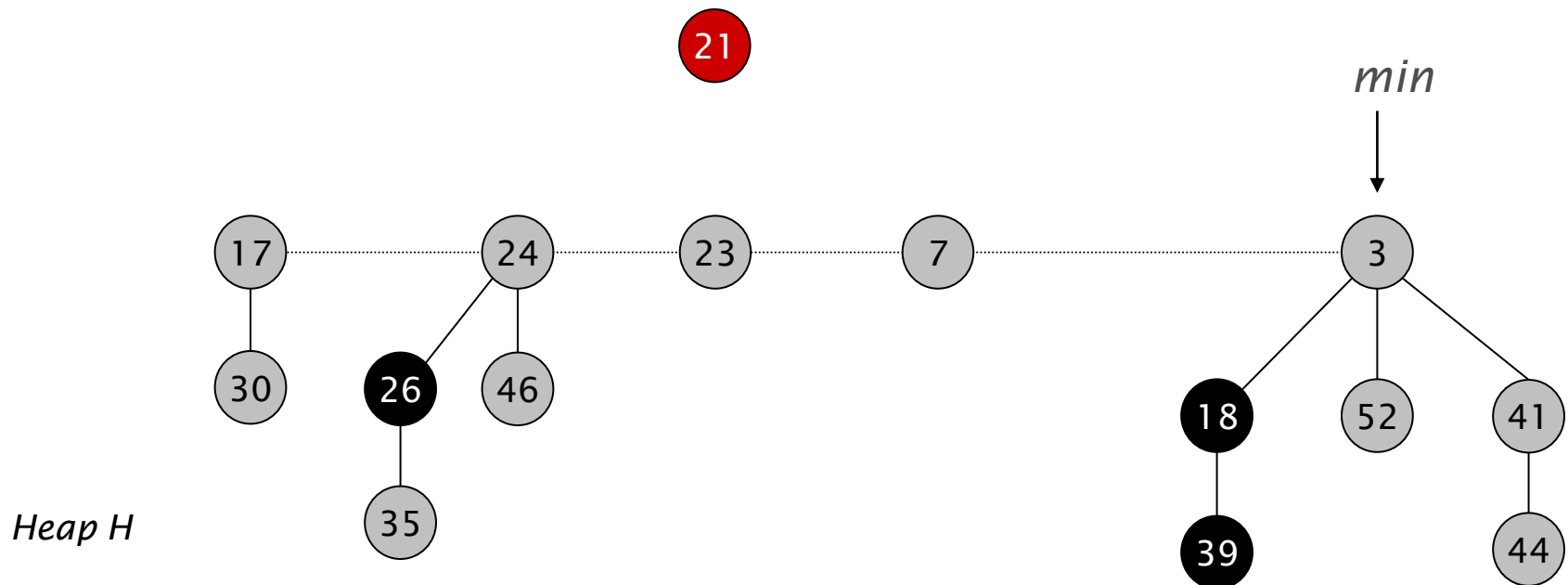
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*insert 21*

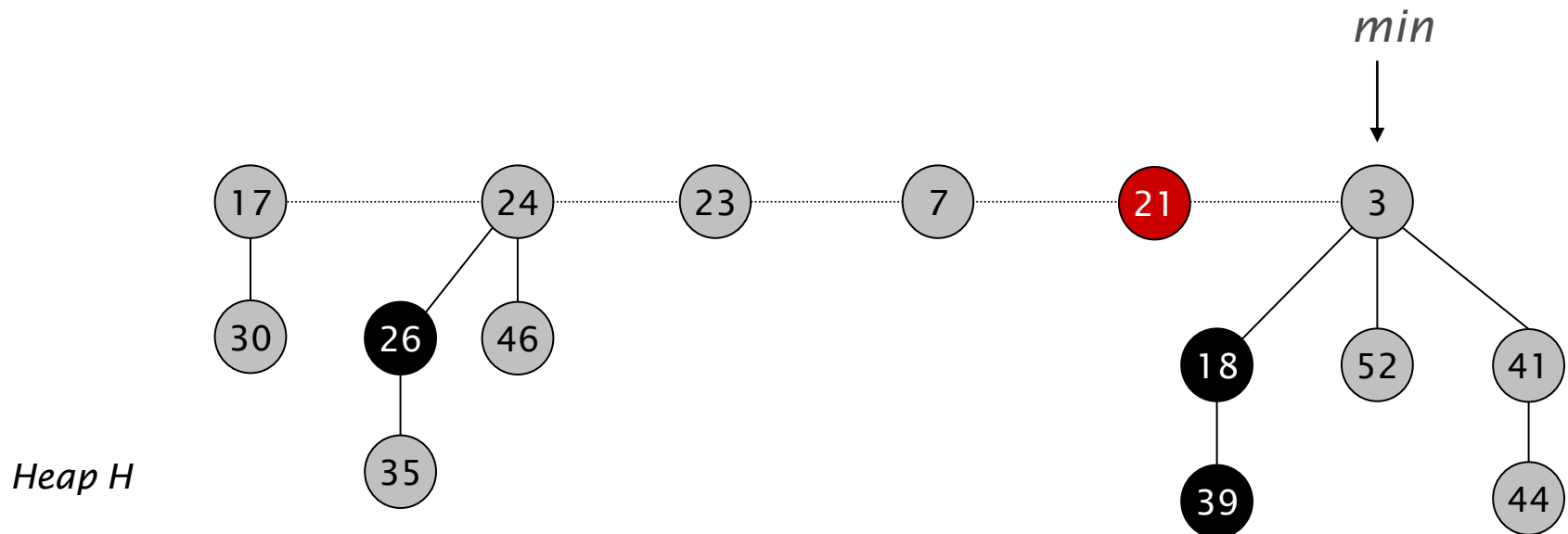


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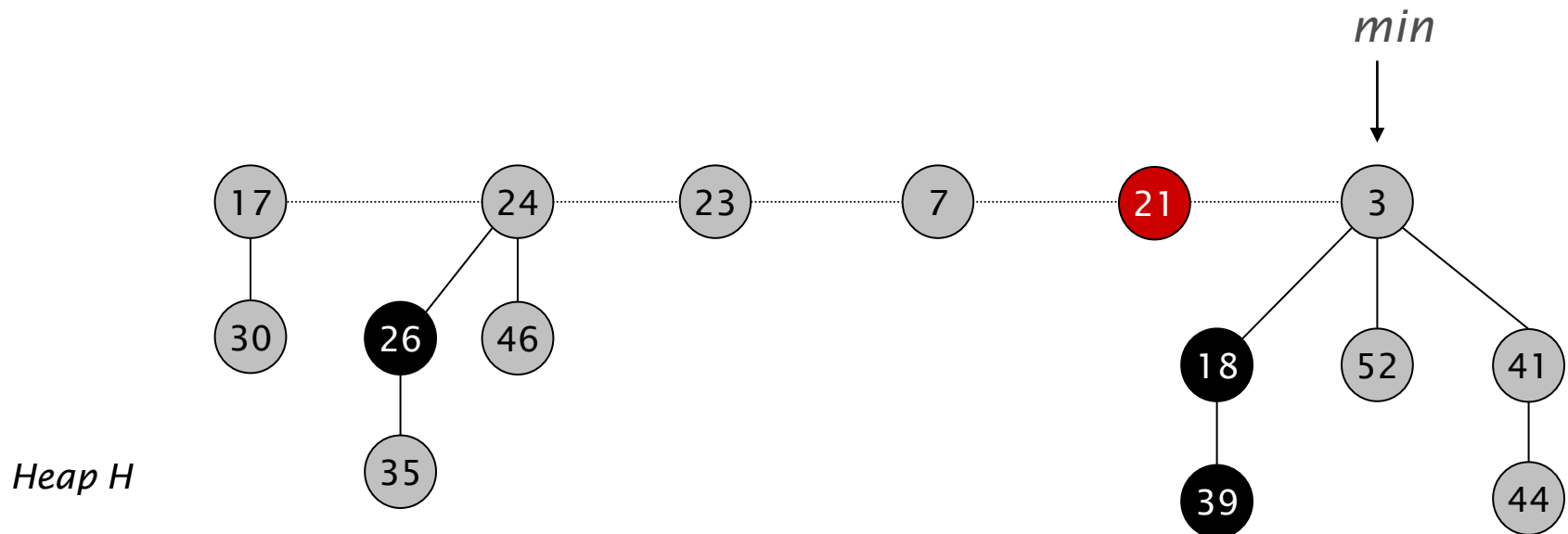
Actual cost.  $O(1)$

Change in potential.  $+1$

Amortized cost.  $O(1)$

$$\Phi(H) = \text{trees}(H) + 2 \cdot \text{marks}(H)$$

*potential of heap  $H$*



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We merge all the trees in the Heap in the deleteMin operation

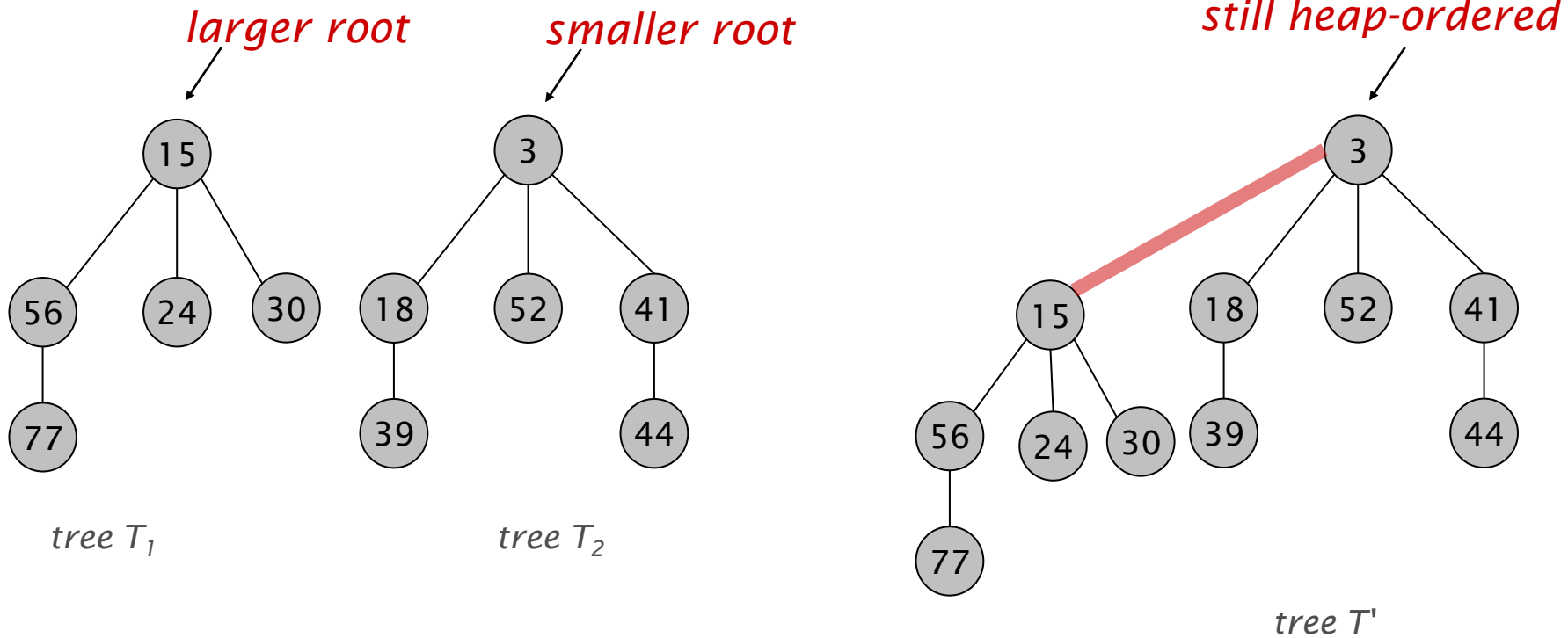
Only merge trees of the same rank

Recall  $\text{rank}(T)$  is the number of children in the root of  $T$

Make the larger root the child of the smaller root

# Linking Operation

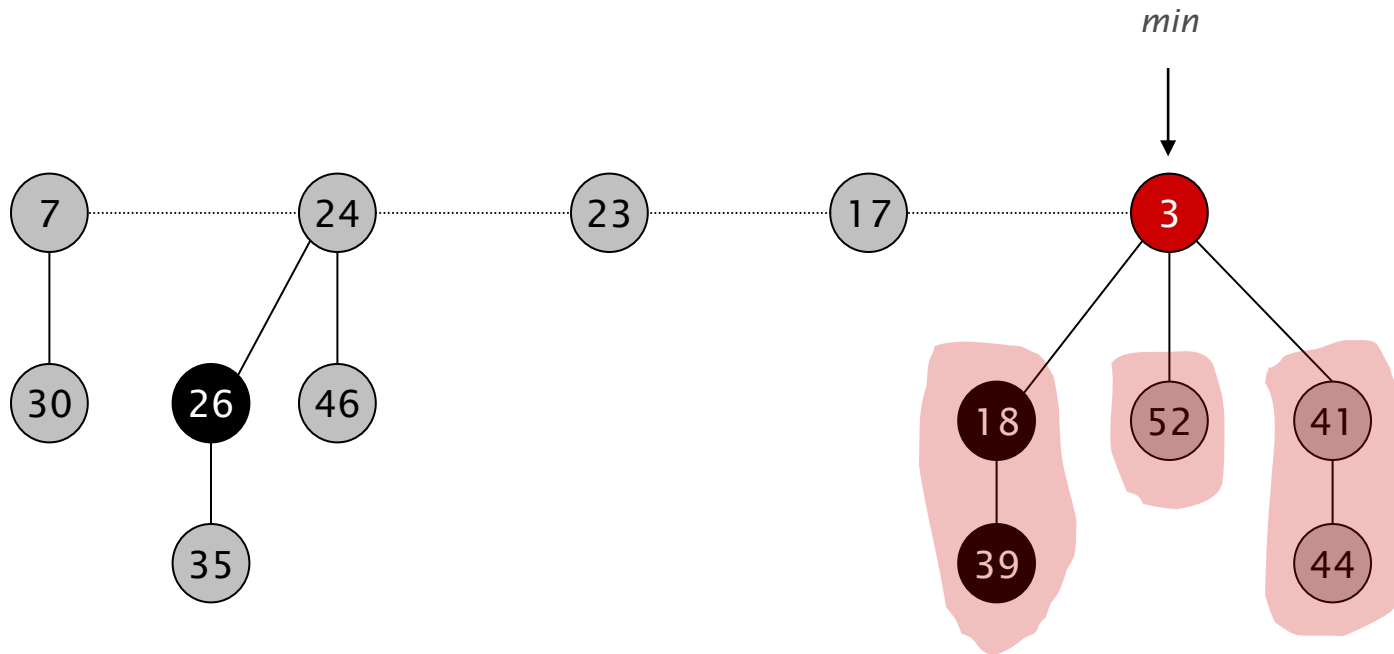
**Linking operation.** Make larger root be a child of smaller root.



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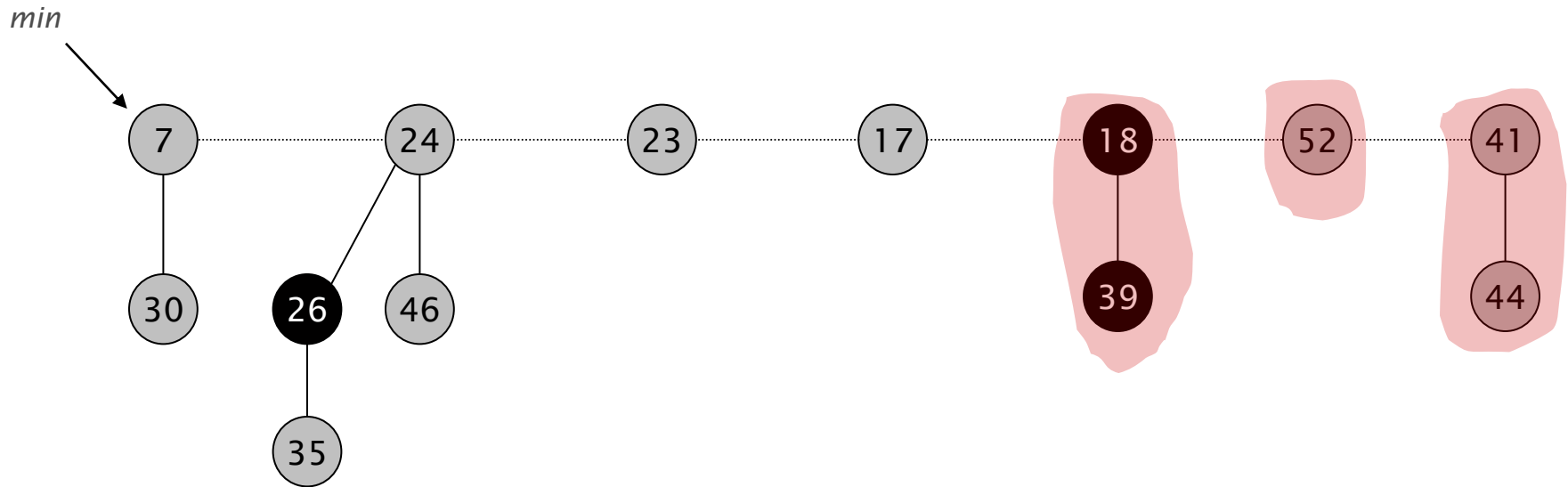
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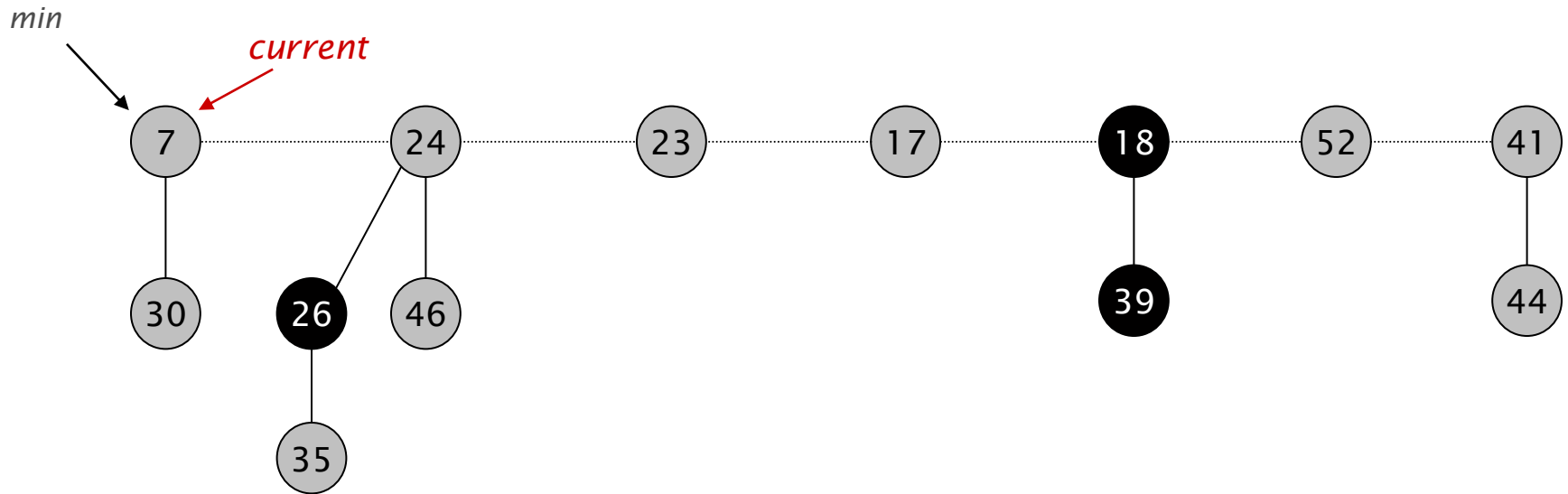
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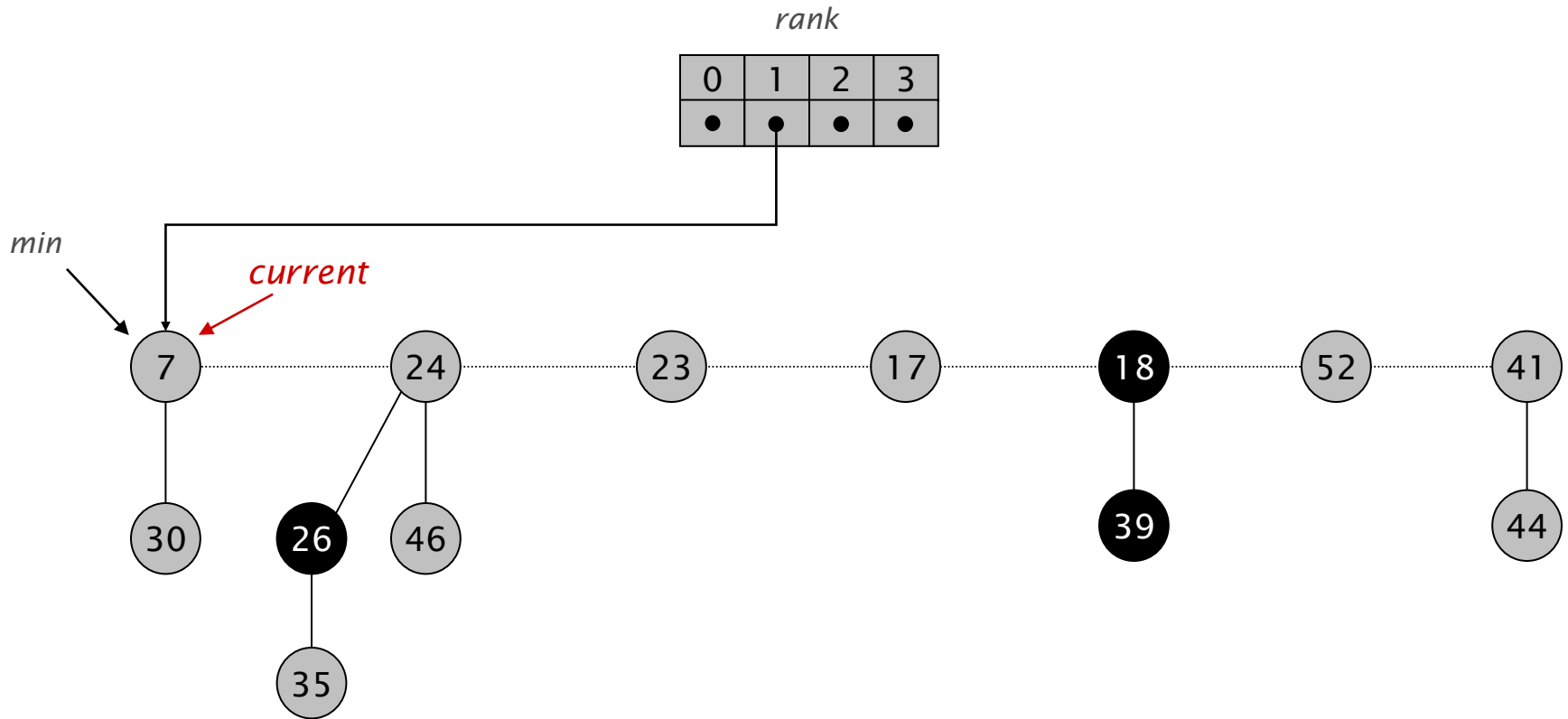
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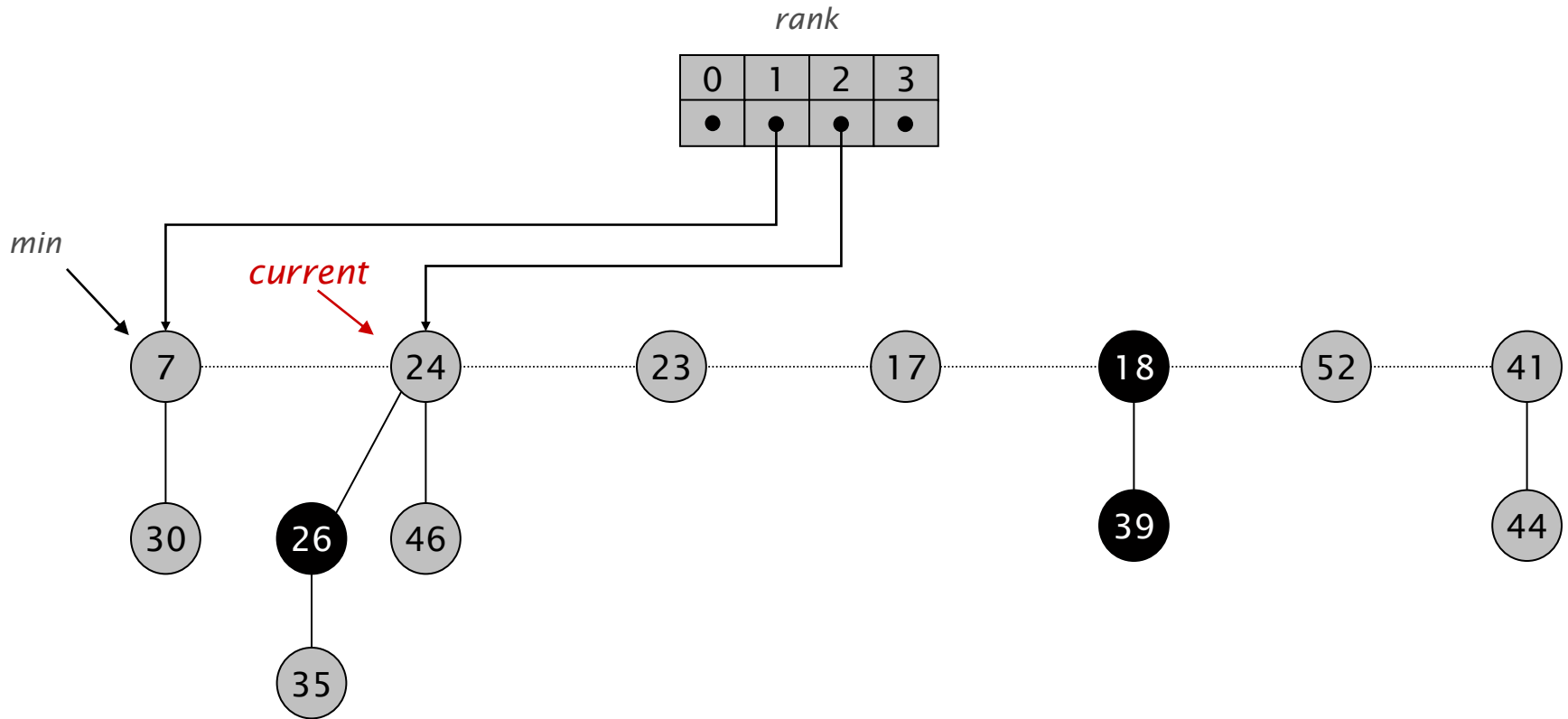
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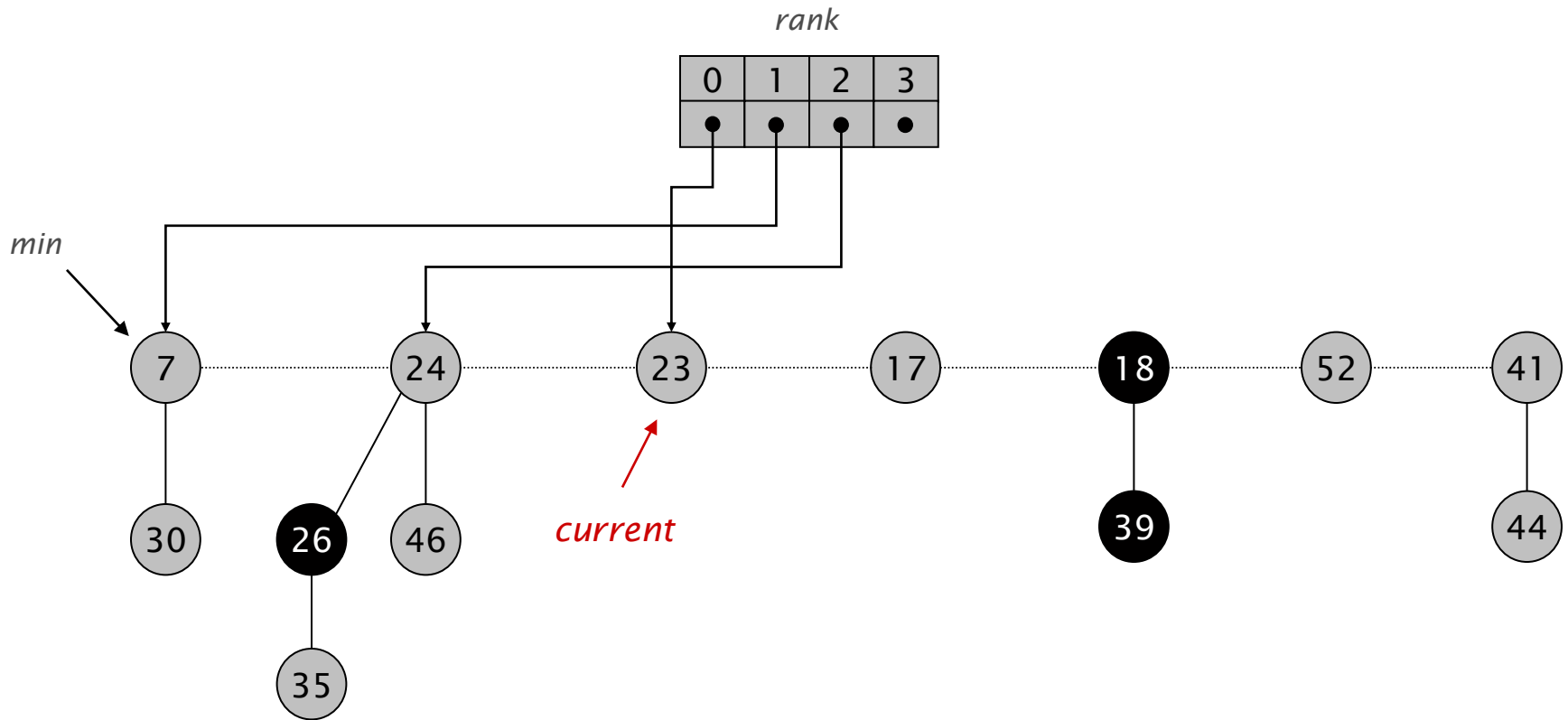
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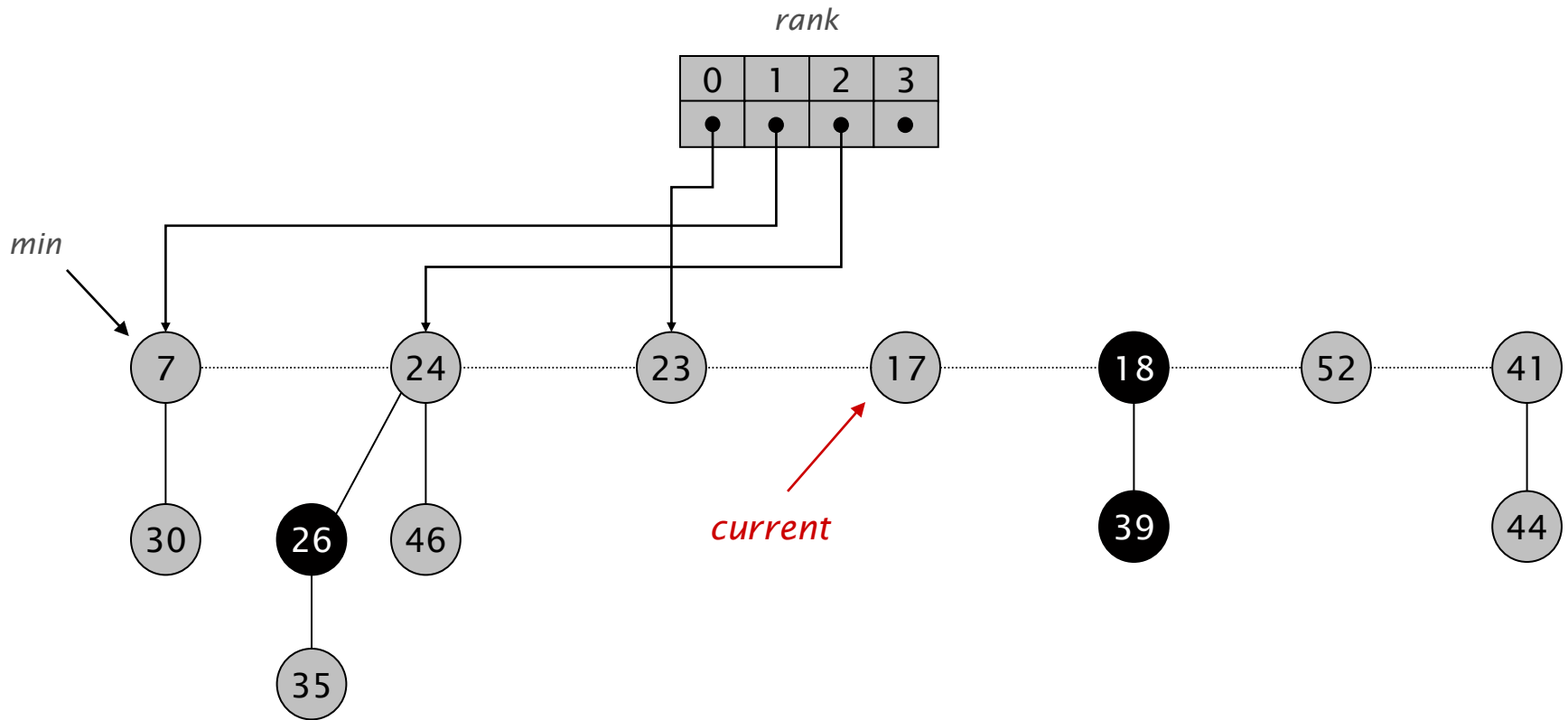




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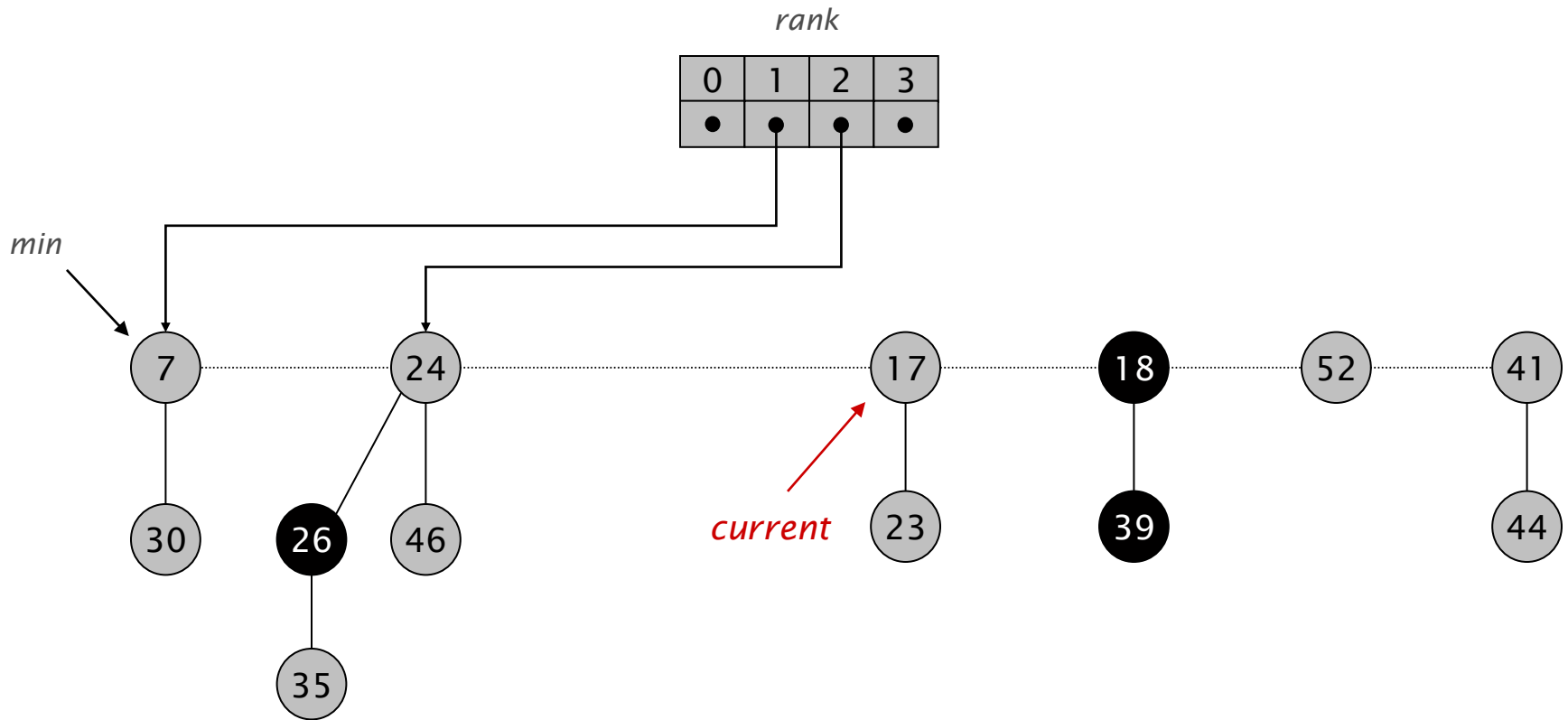


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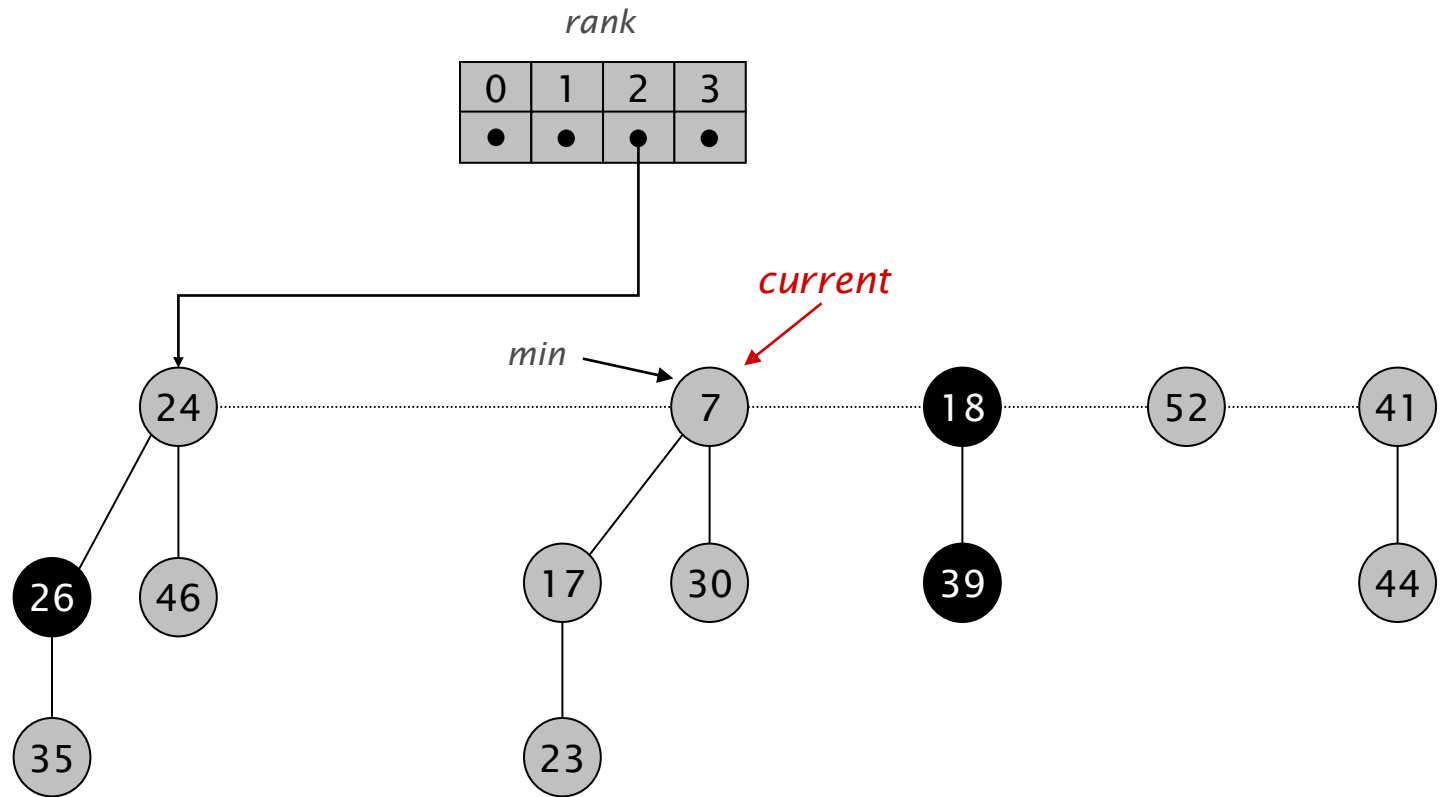


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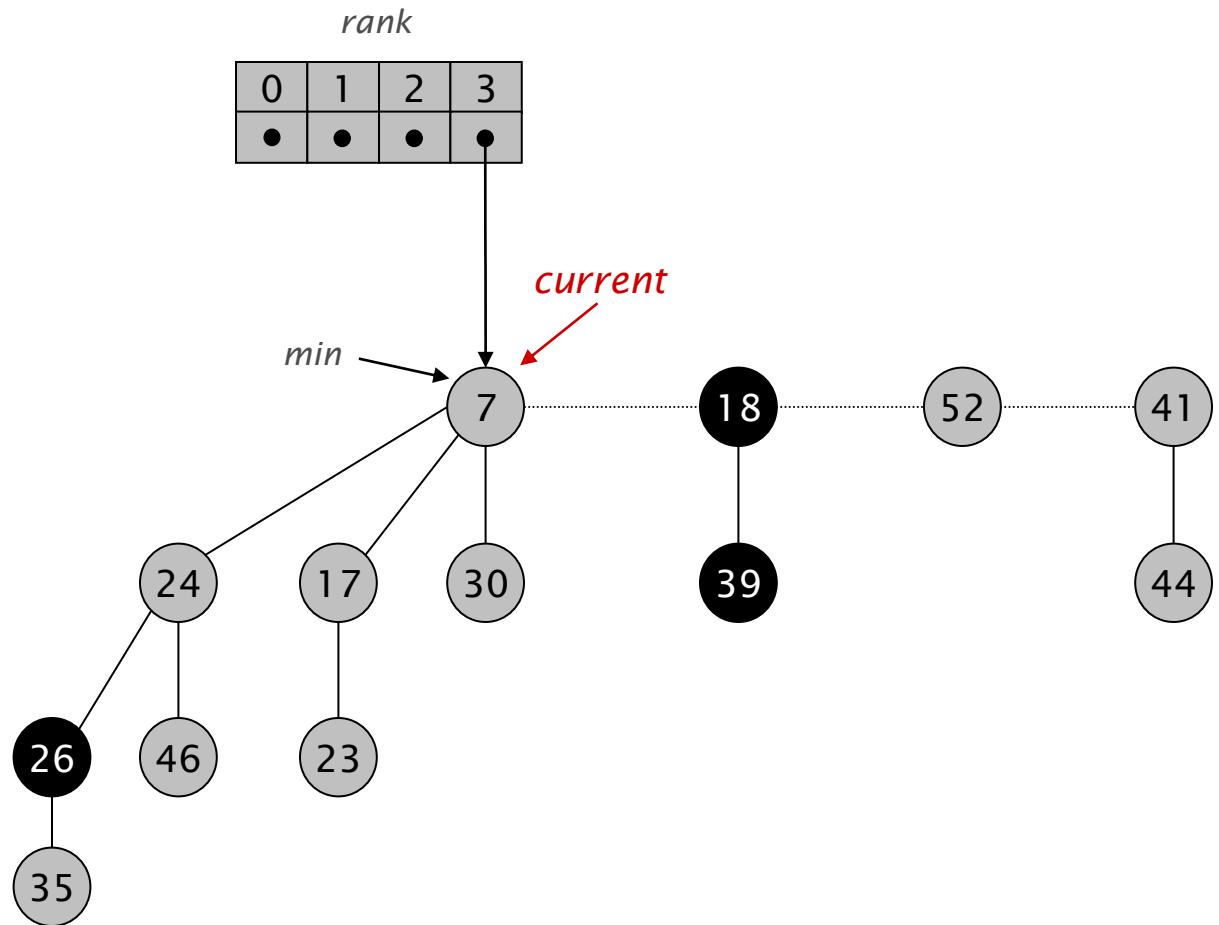


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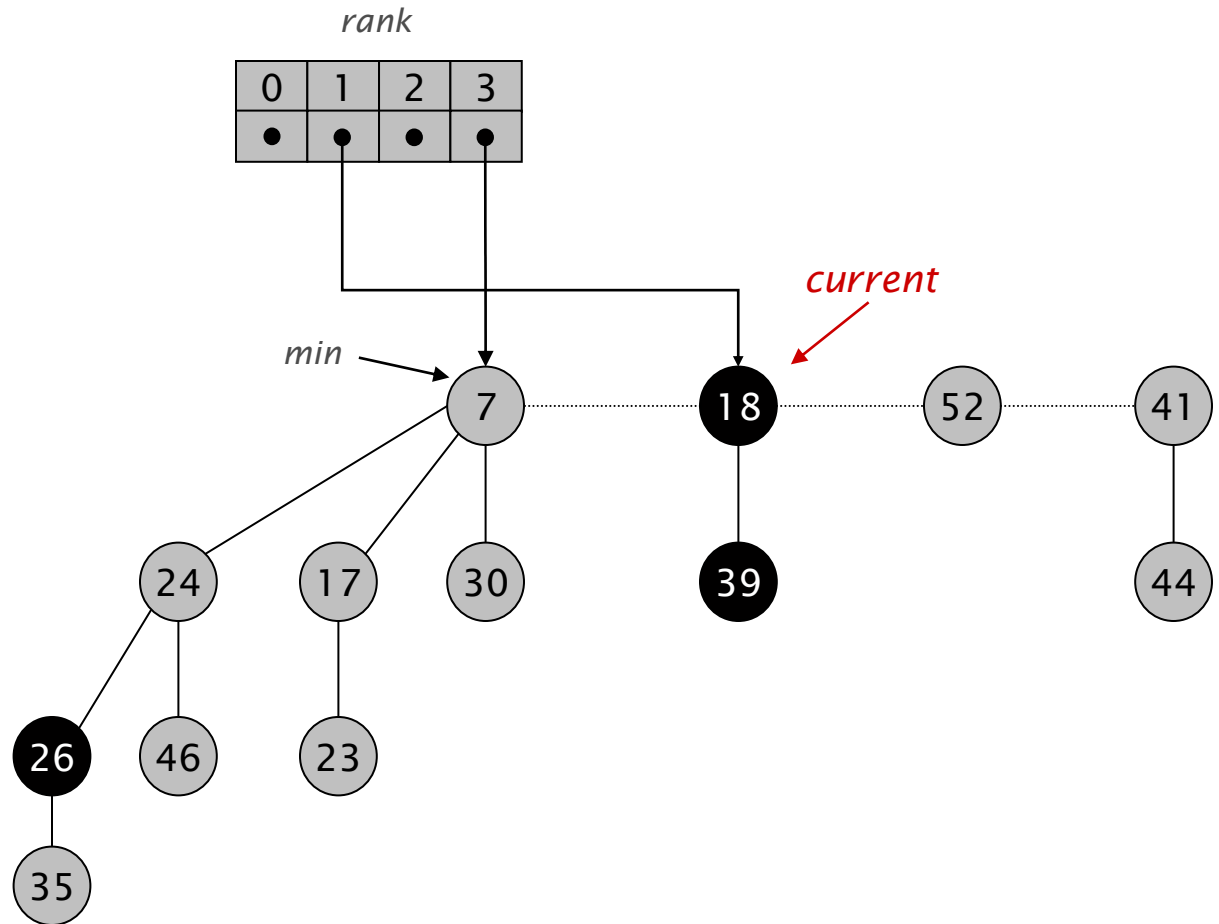
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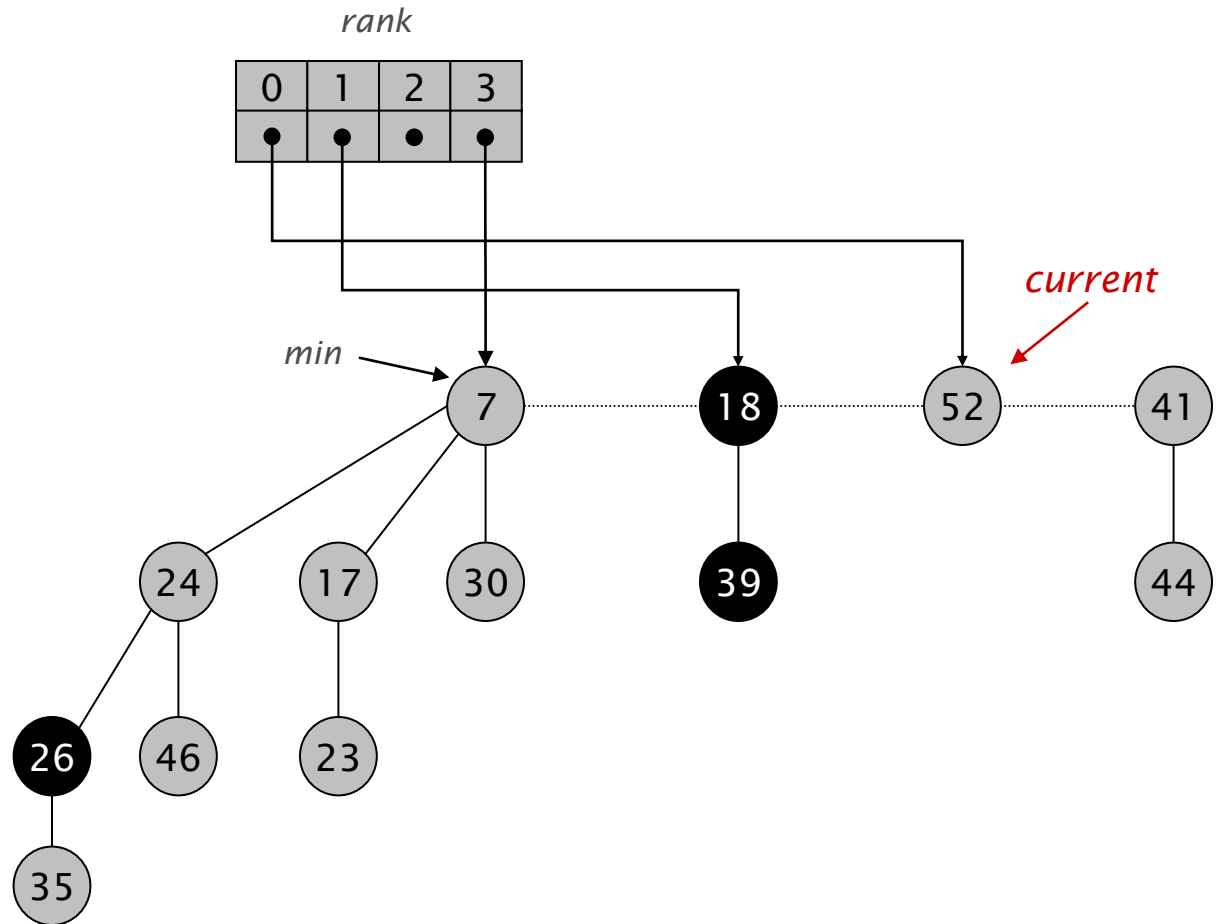
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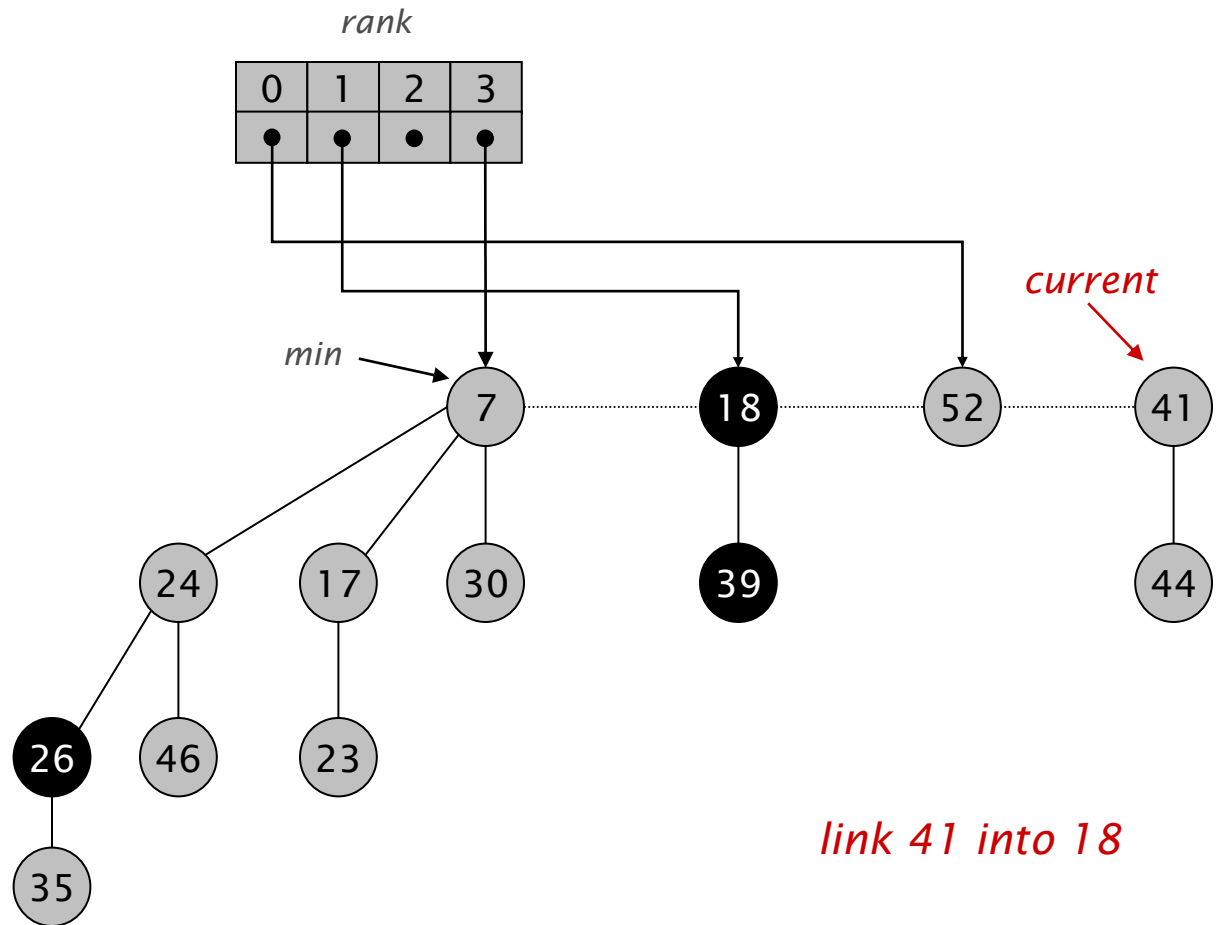
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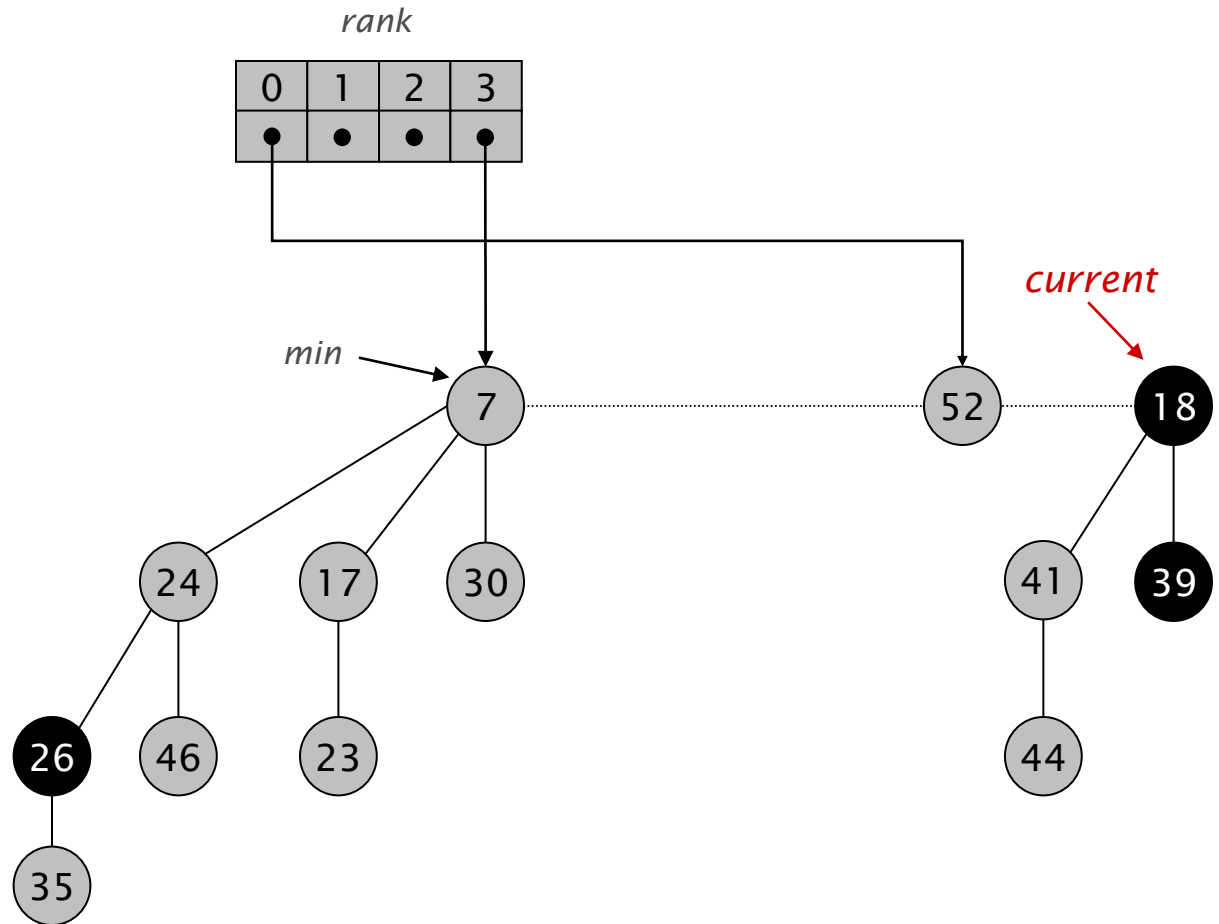
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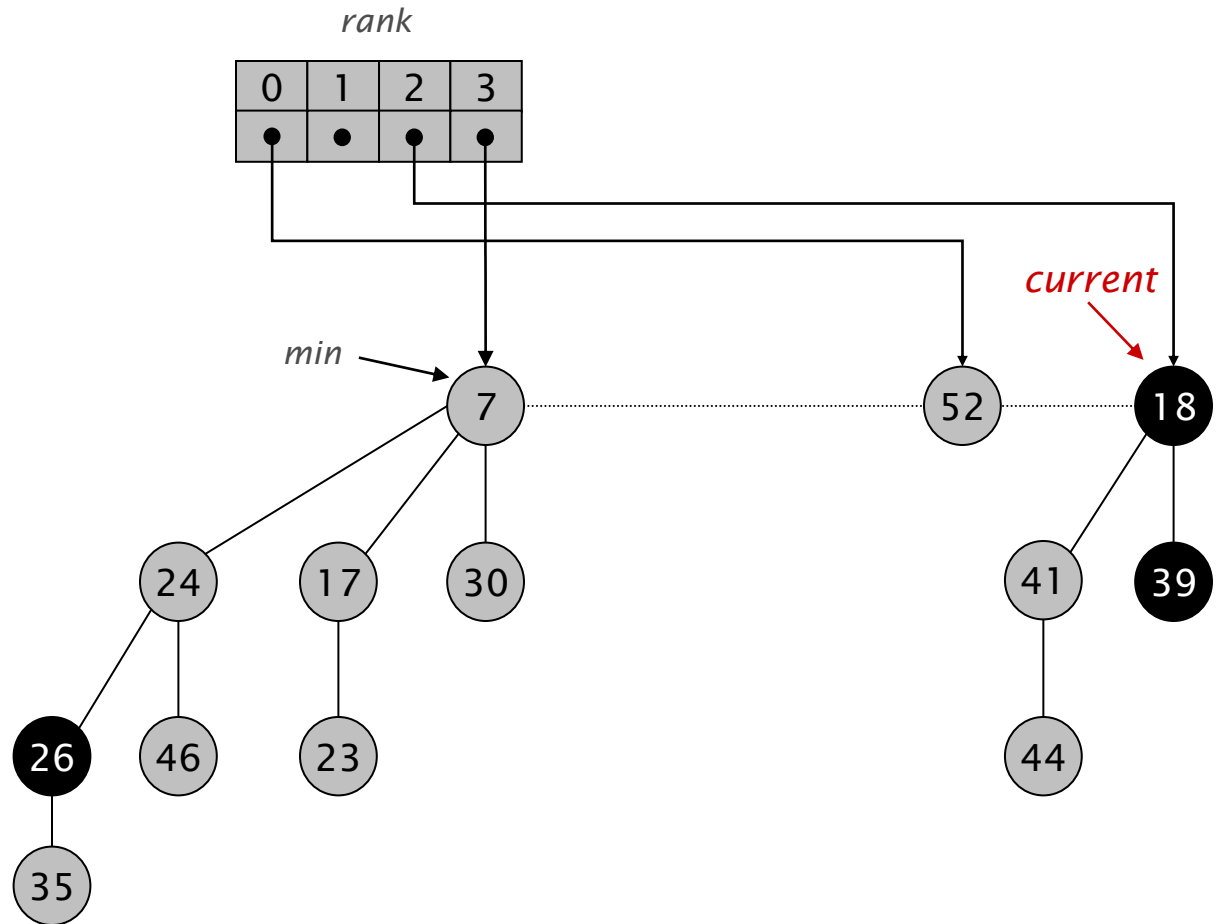




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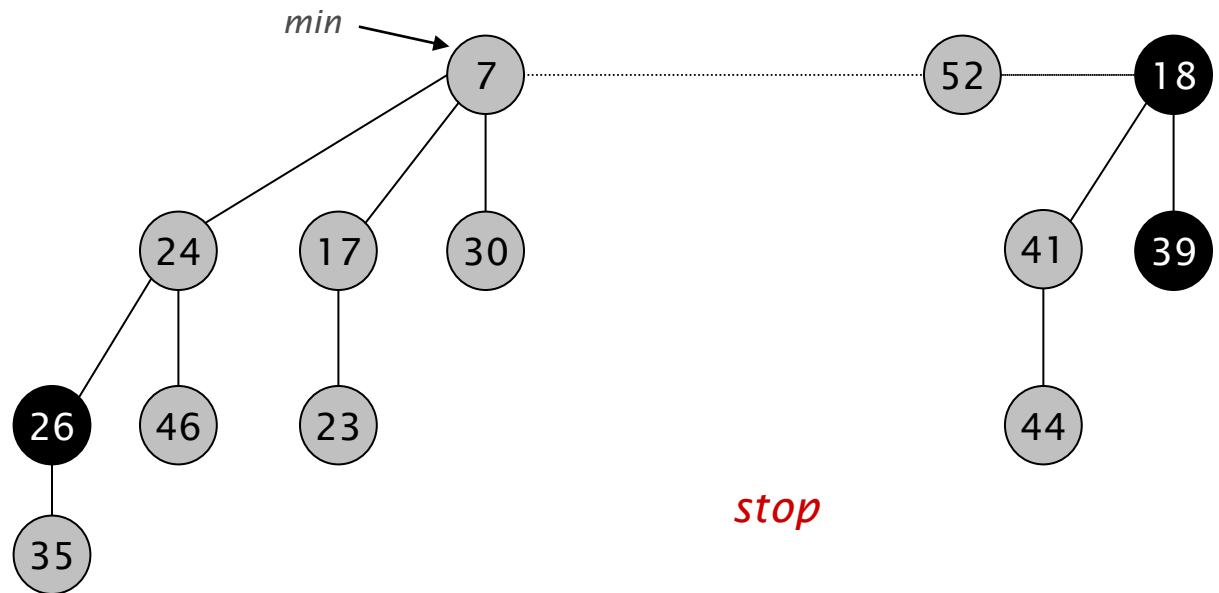
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# Fibonacci Heaps: Delete Min Analysis

Delete min.

$$\Phi(H) = \text{trees}(H) + 2 \cdot \text{marks}(H)$$

*potential function*

Actual cost.  $O(\text{rank}(H)) + O(\text{trees}(H))$

- $O(\text{rank}(H))$  to meld min's children into root list.
- $O(\text{rank}(H)) + O(\text{trees}(H))$  to update min.
- $O(\text{rank}(H)) + O(\text{trees}(H))$  to consolidate trees.

Change in potential.  $O(\text{rank}(H)) - \text{trees}(H)$

- *No change in marks(H)*
- $\text{trees}(H') \leq \text{rank}(H) + 1$  since no two trees have same rank.
- $\Delta\Phi(H) \leq \text{rank}(H) + 1 - \text{trees}(H)$ .

Amortized cost.  $O(\text{rank}(H))$

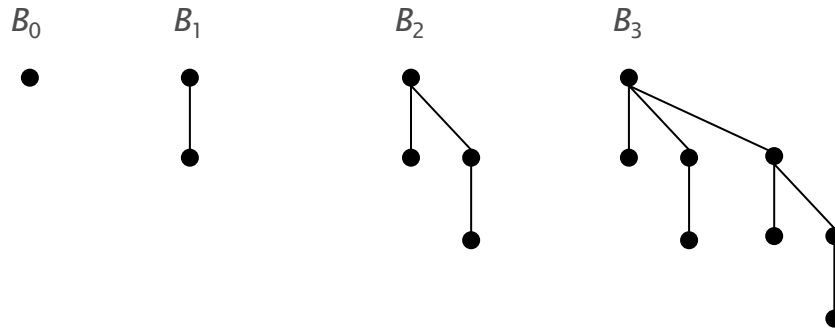
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Q. Is amortized cost of  $O(\text{rank}(H))$  good?

A. Yes, if only *insert* and *delete-min* operations.

- In this case, all trees are binomial trees.
- This implies  $\text{rank}(H) \leq \log n$ .

we only link trees of equal rank



A. Yes, with Fib trees  $\text{rank}(H) = O(\log n)$ . Need to ensure that trees remain as Fib trees if not binomial trees

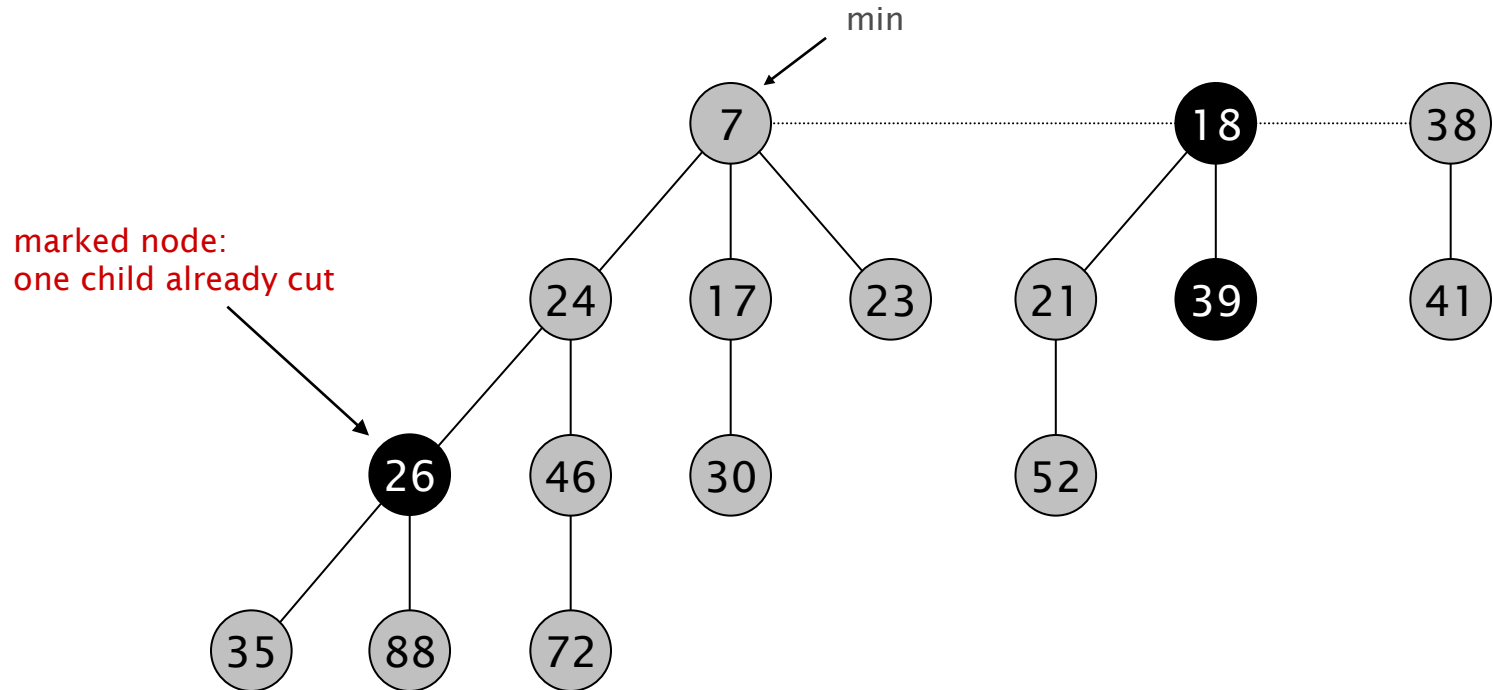
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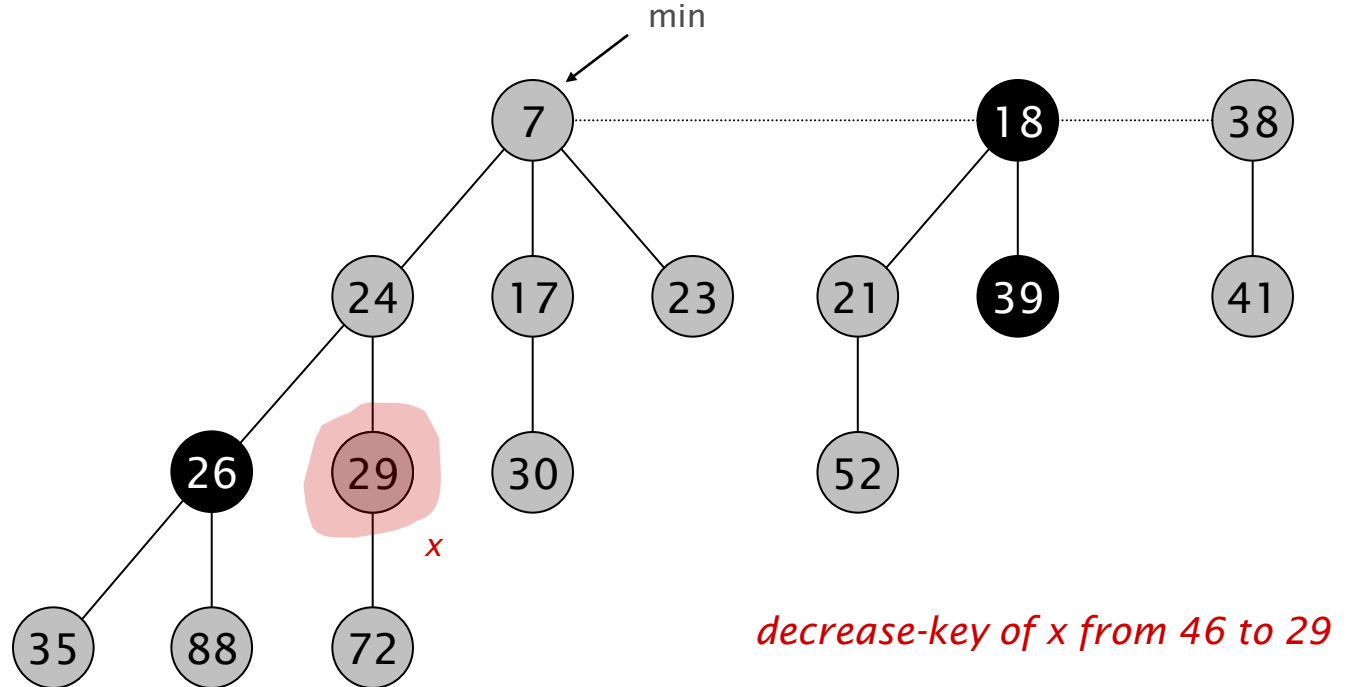
- If heap-order is not violated, just decrease the key of  $x$ .
- Otherwise, cut tree rooted at  $x$  and meld into root list.
- To keep trees flat: as soon as a node has its second child cut, cut it off and meld into root list (and unmark it).



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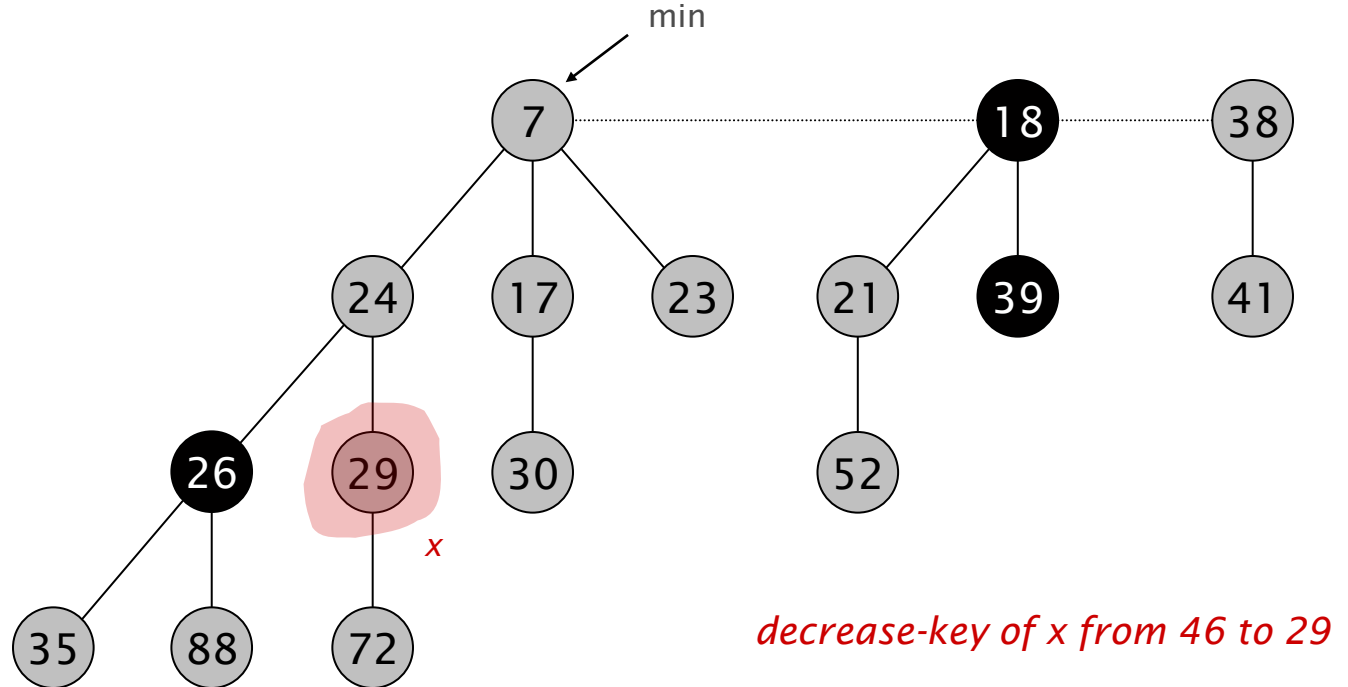
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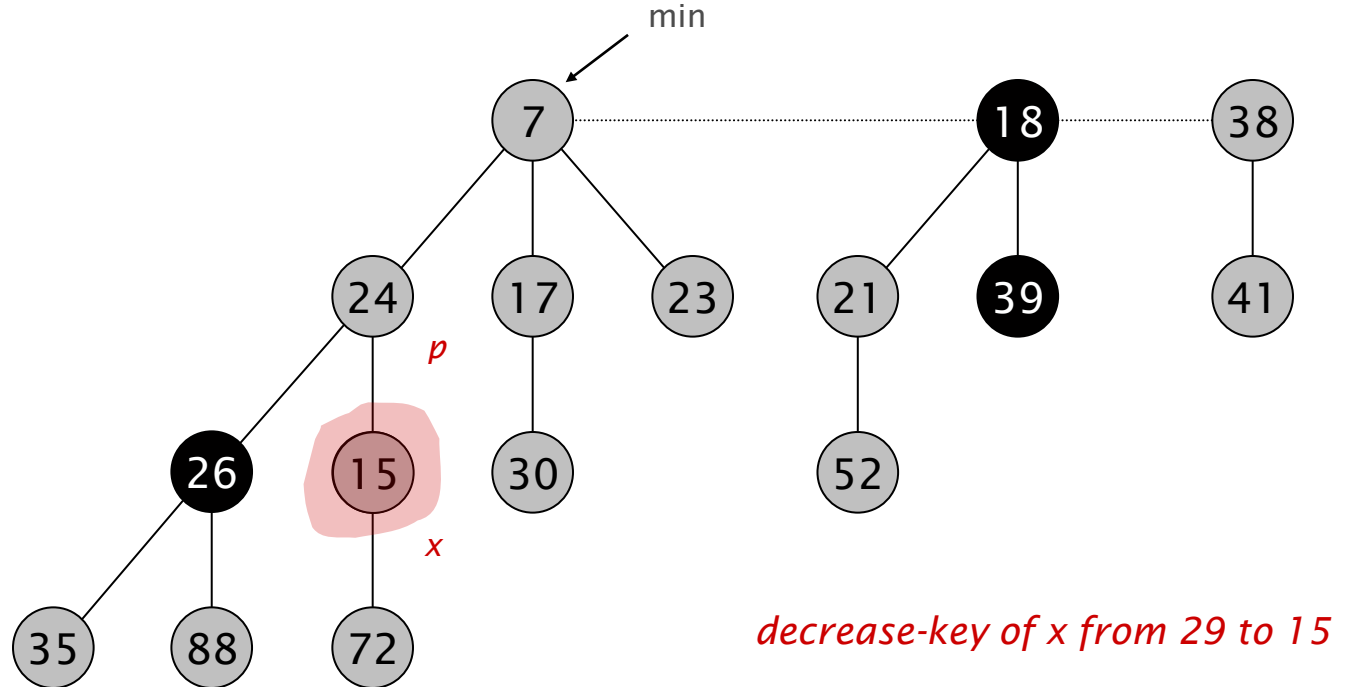




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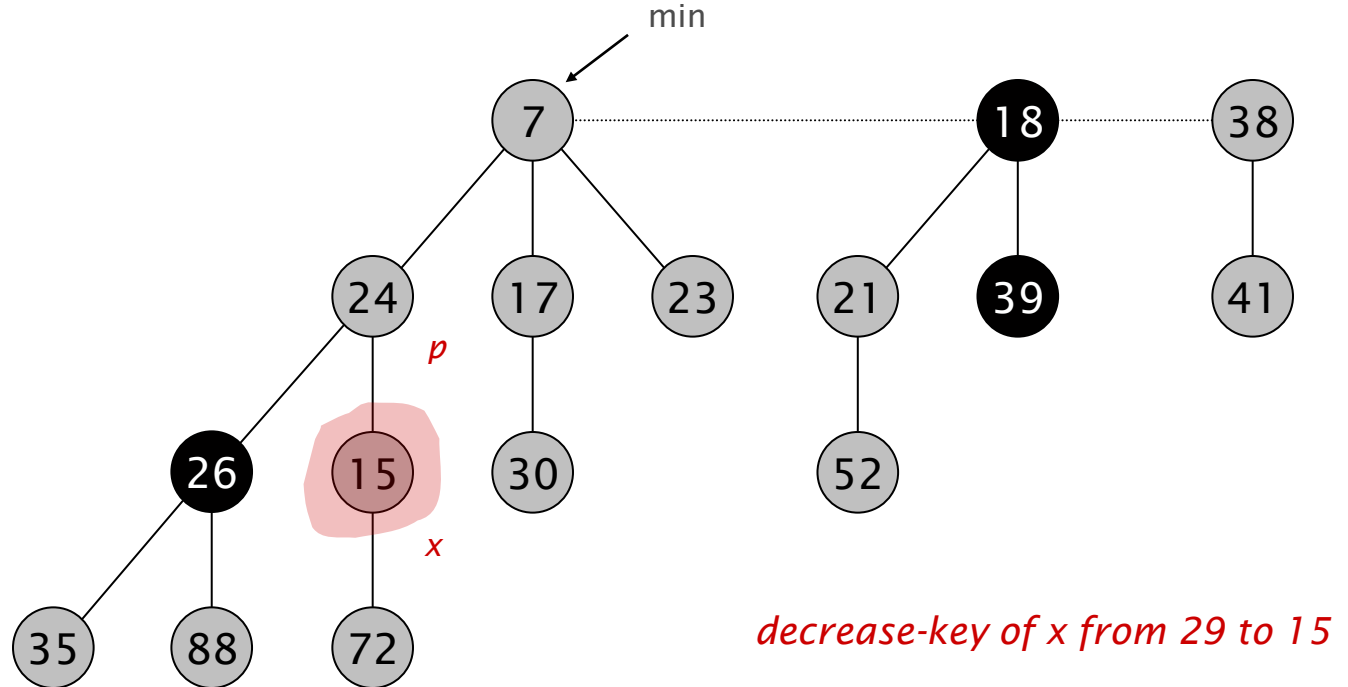
- Decrease key of  $x$ .
- Cut tree rooted at  $x$ , meld into root list, and unmark.
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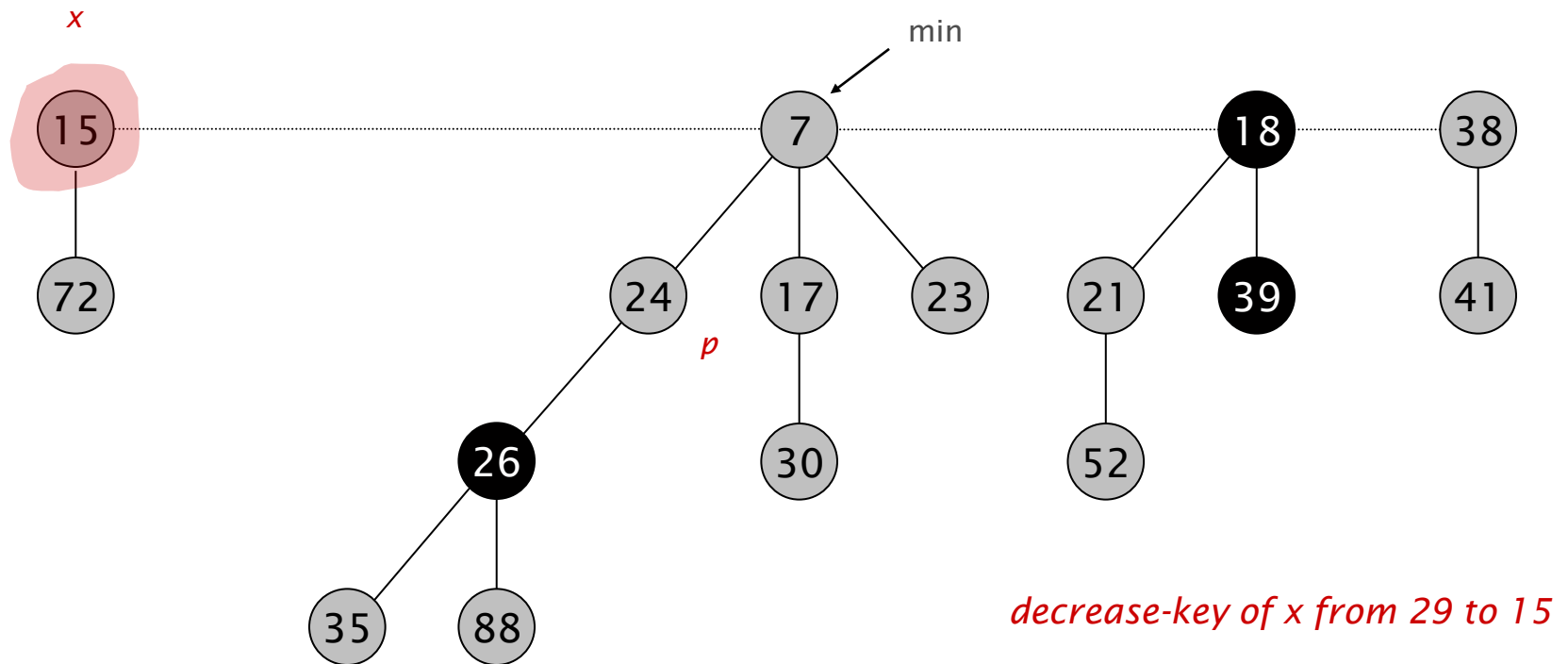
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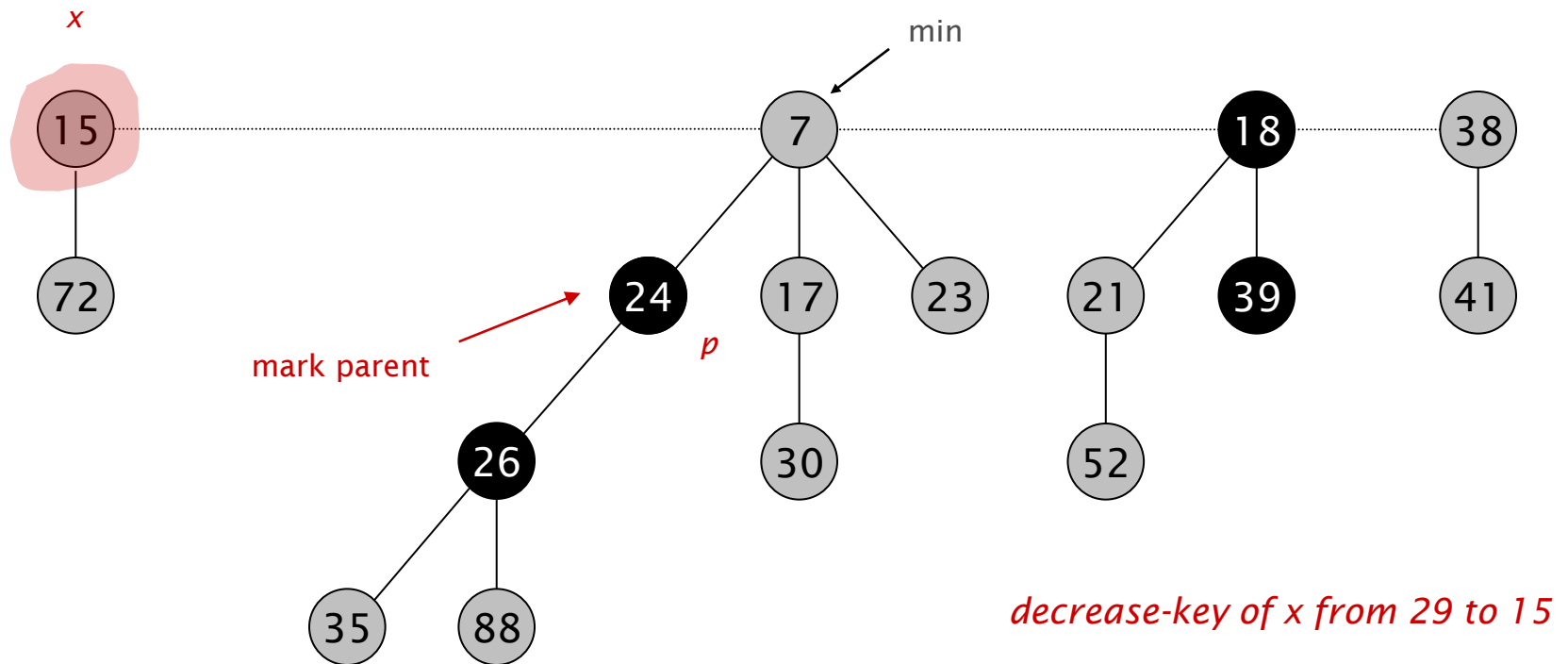
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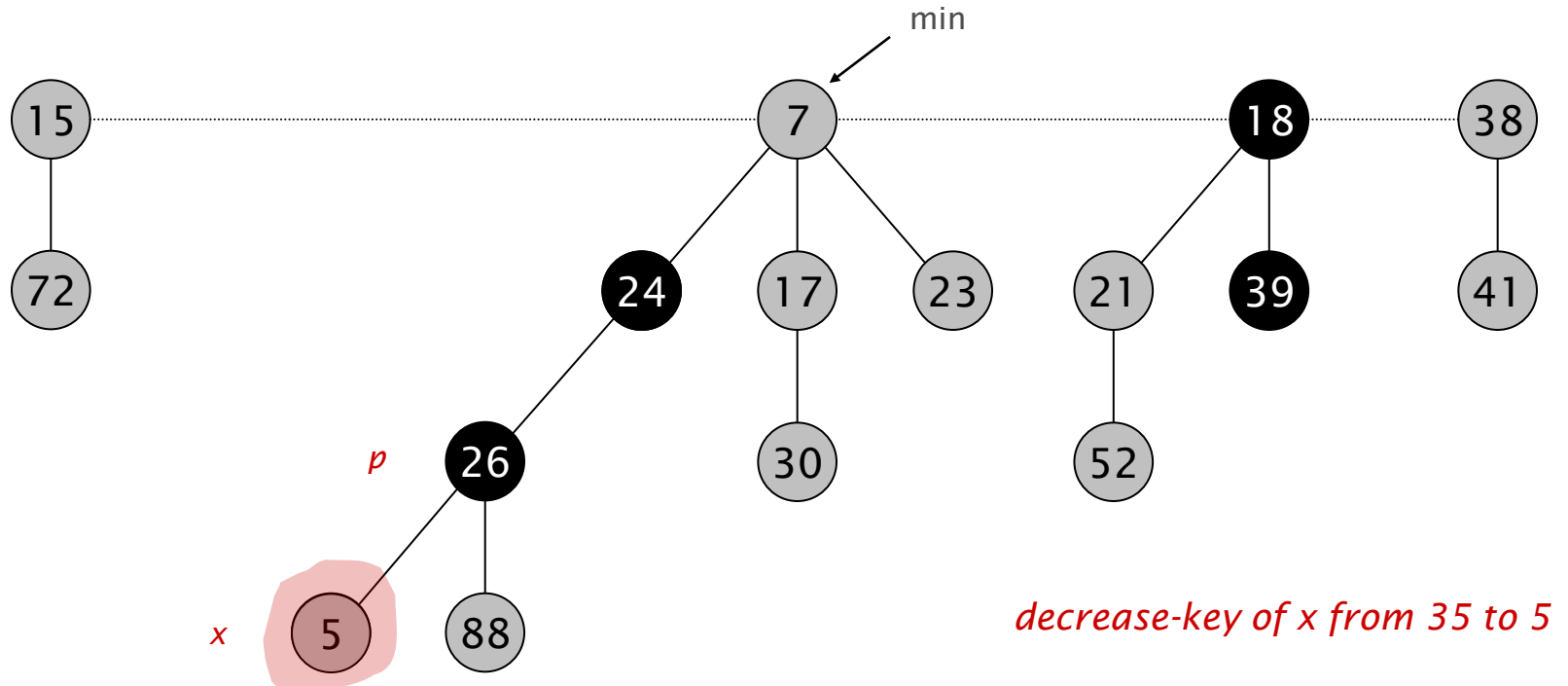
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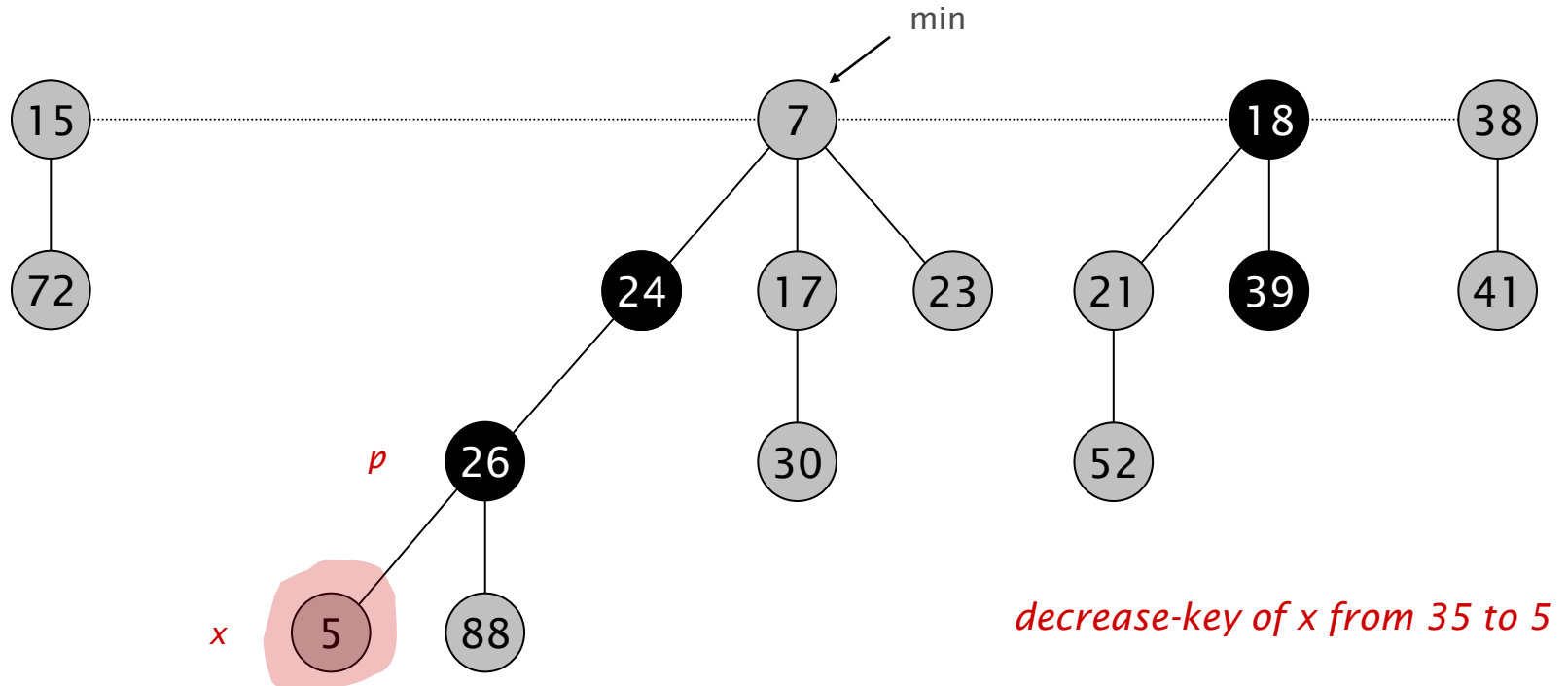
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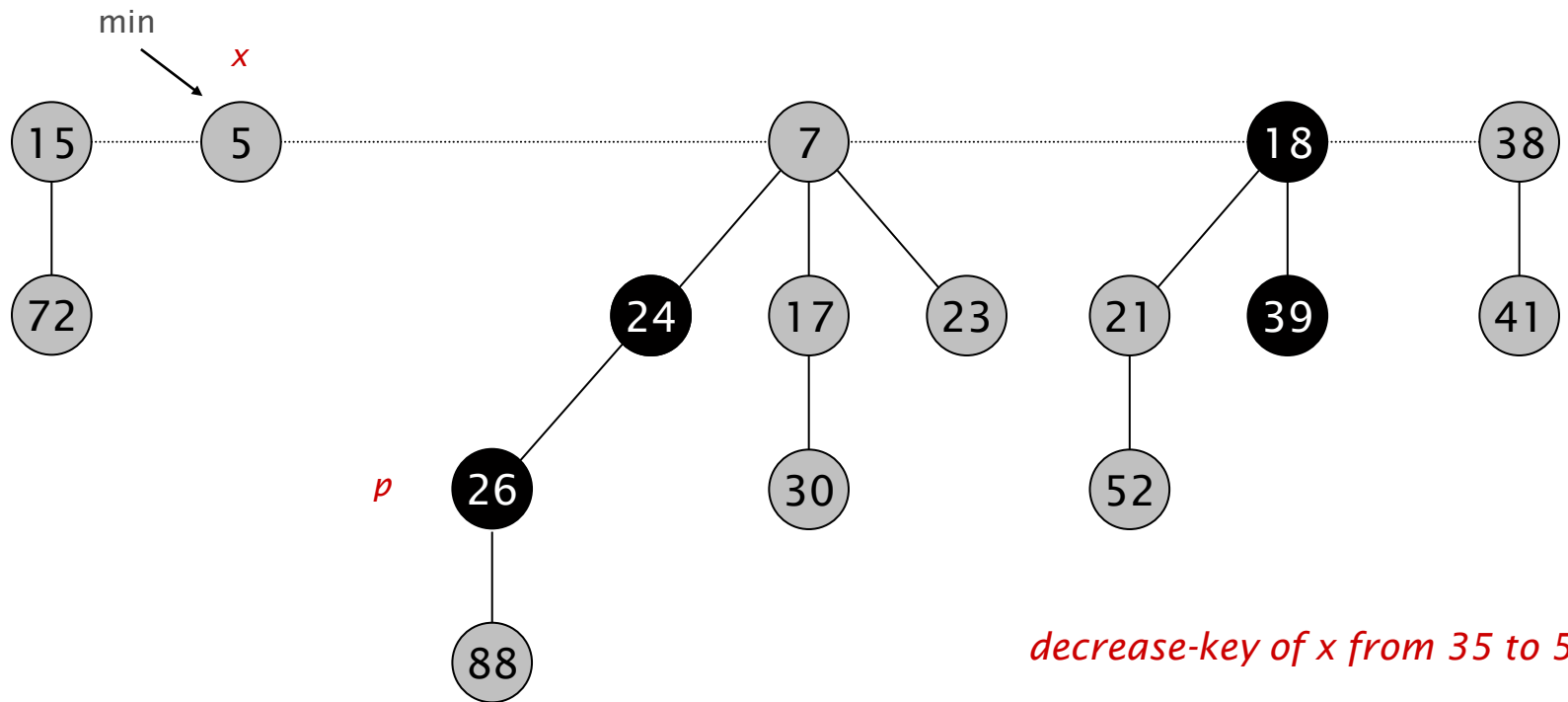
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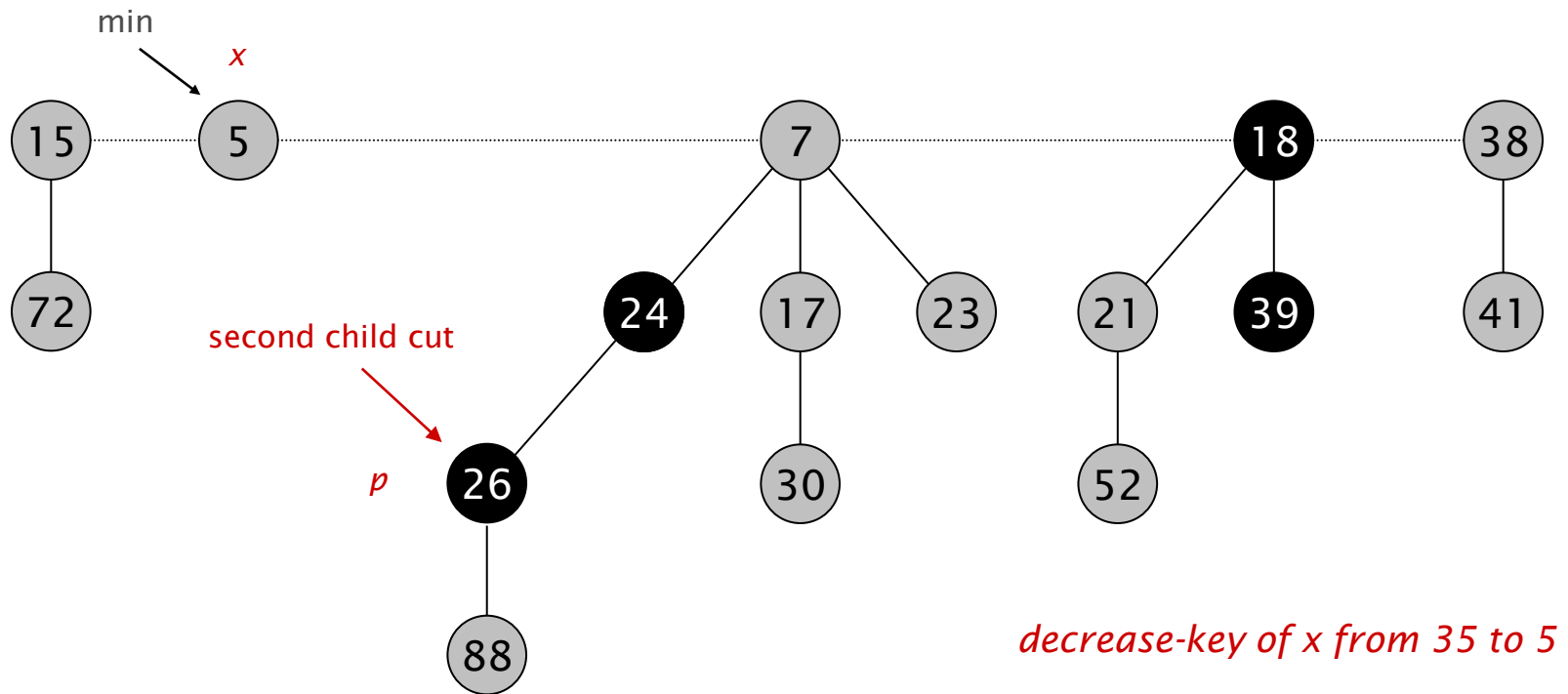
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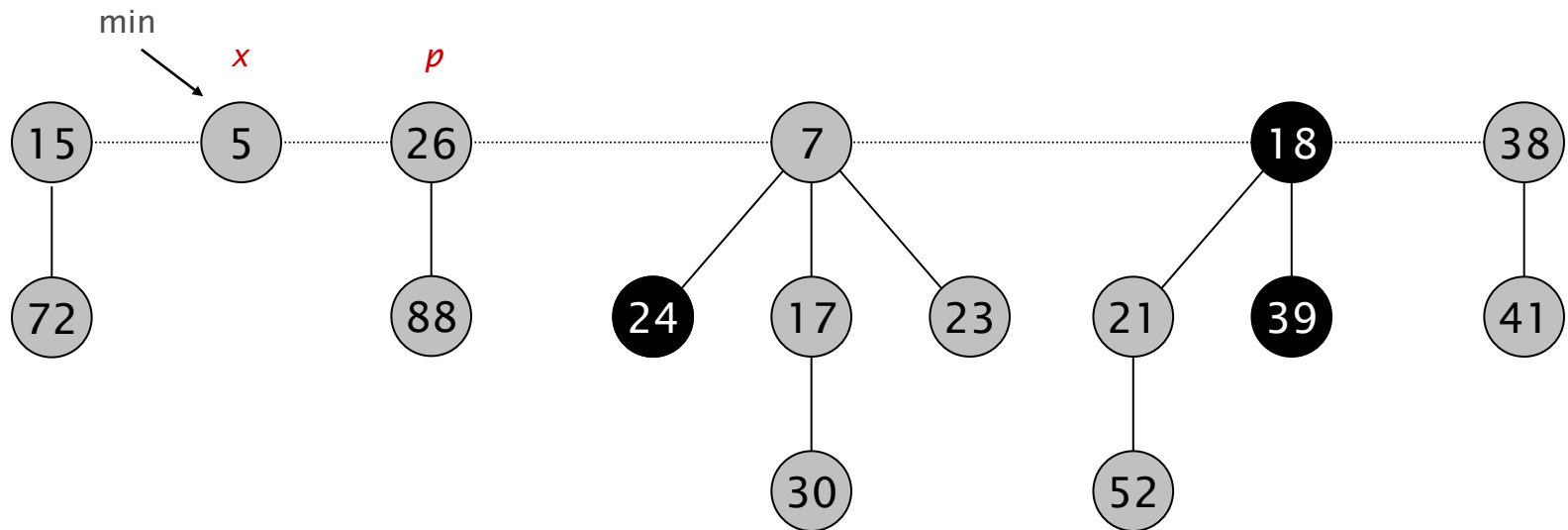




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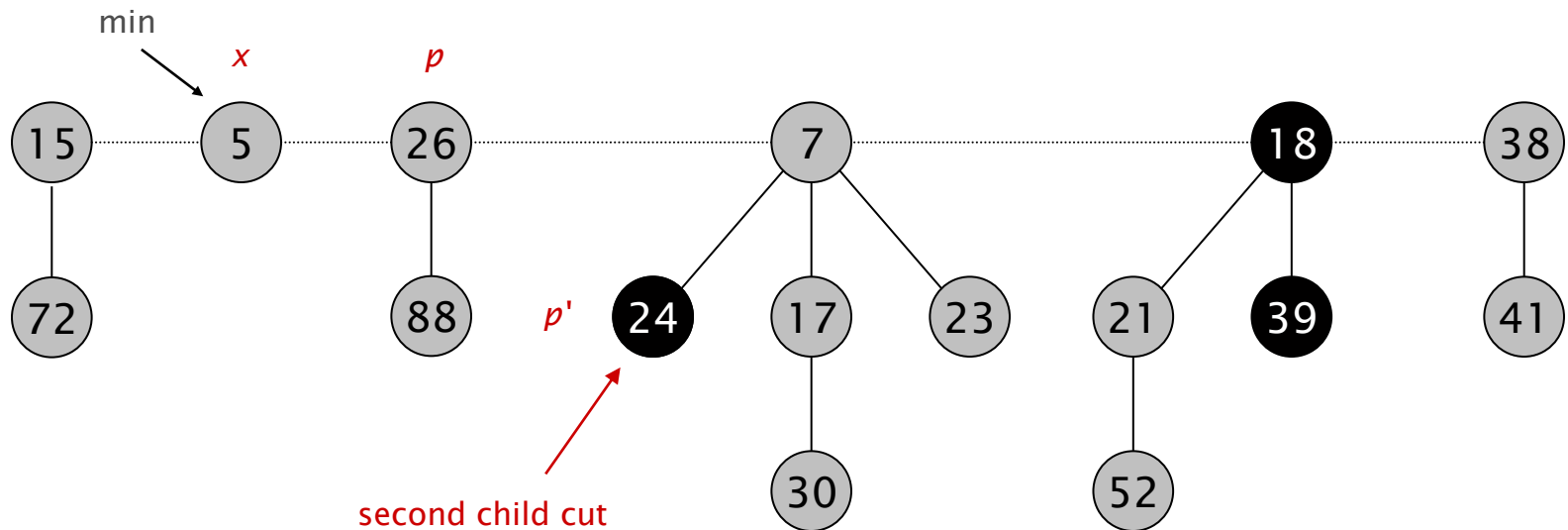


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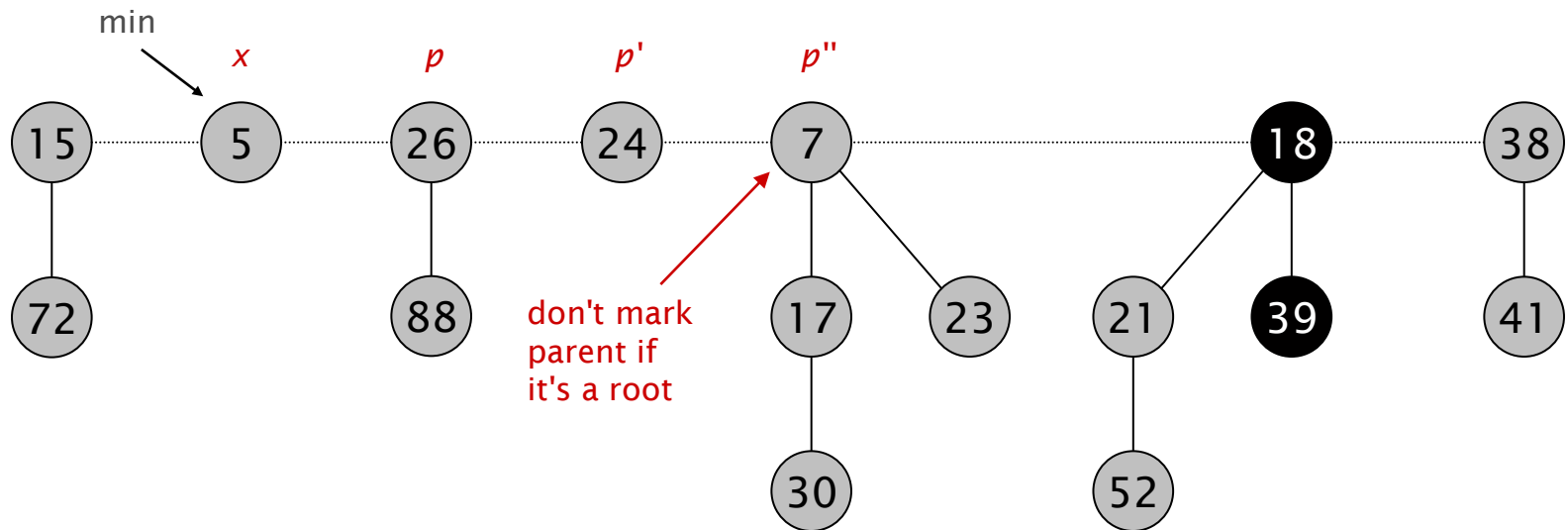


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# Fibonacci Heaps: Decrease Key Analysis

Decrease-key.

$$\Phi(H) = \text{trees}(H) + 2 \cdot \text{marks}(H)$$

*potential function*

**Actual cost.**  $O(c)$ , where  $c$  is the number of cuts needed

- $O(1)$  time for changing the key.
- $O(1)$  time for each of  $c$  cuts, plus melding into root list.

**Change in potential.**  $O(1) - c$

- $\text{trees}(H') = \text{trees}(H) + c.$
- $\text{marks}(H') \leq \text{marks}(H) - c + 2.$
- $\Delta\Phi \leq c + 2 \cdot (-c + 2) = 4 - c.$

**Amortized cost.**  $O(1)$

# Analysis

- Need to show that all the trees are Fib trees
- Need to prove the two properties of Fib trees

# Proving Fib Trees

**Lemma.** Let  $x$  be a node with rank  $k$ , and let  $y_1, \dots, y_k$  denote the children of  $x$  in the order in which they were linked to  $x$ . Then:

$$\text{rank}(y_i) \geq \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } i = 1 \\ i - 2, & \text{if } i \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

**Proof.**

- When  $y_i$  is linked to  $x$ ,  $y_1, \dots, y_{i-1}$  already linked to  $x$ ,  
 $\Rightarrow$  In that step,  $\text{rank}(x) \geq i - 1$   
 $\Rightarrow \text{rank}(y_i) \geq i - 1$  since we only link nodes of equal degree
- Since then,  $y_i$  has lost at most one child
  - otherwise it would have been cut from  $x$
- Thus,  $\text{rank}(y_i) \geq i - 2$

# Properties of Fib Trees

*Define:  $\text{size}(T)$  as the number of nodes in  $T$*

*$D(T) = \max$  degree of the nodes in  $T$*

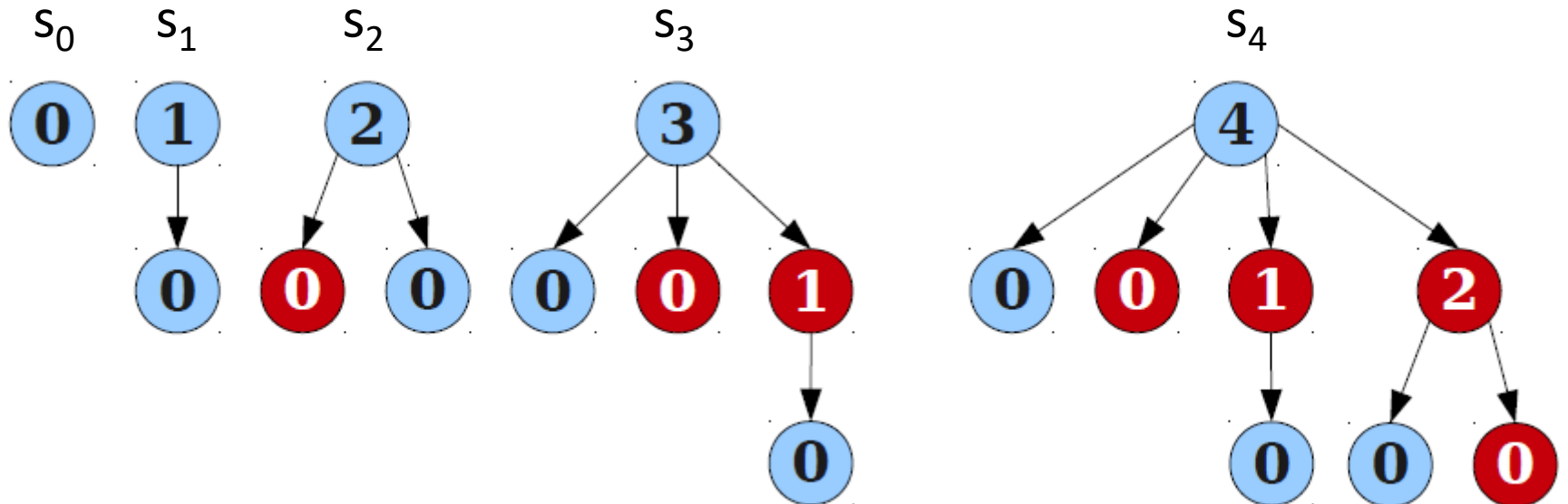
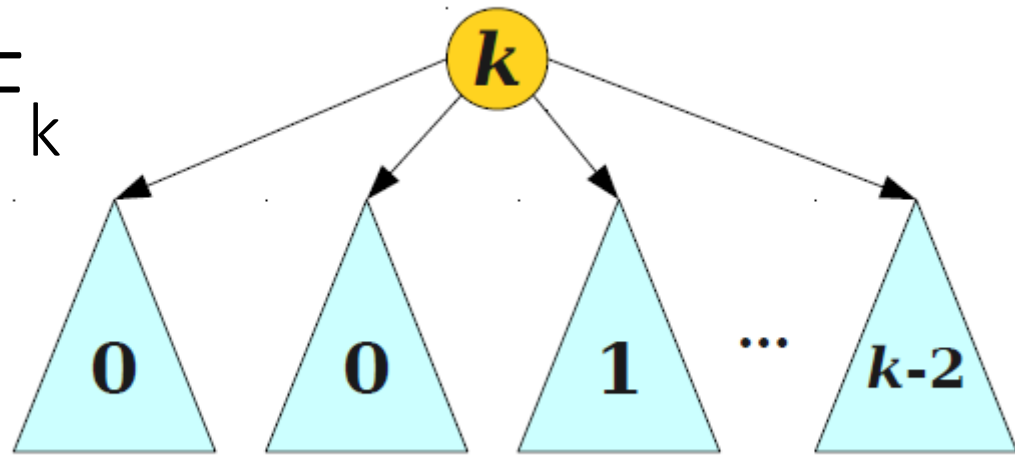
*Lemma: For the Fib tree  $F_k$*

1.  $\text{size}(F_k) \geq \phi^k$  where  $\phi = (1 + \sqrt{5}) / 2$
2.  $D(F_k) \leq \log_\phi(\text{size}(F_k))$

Homework exercise

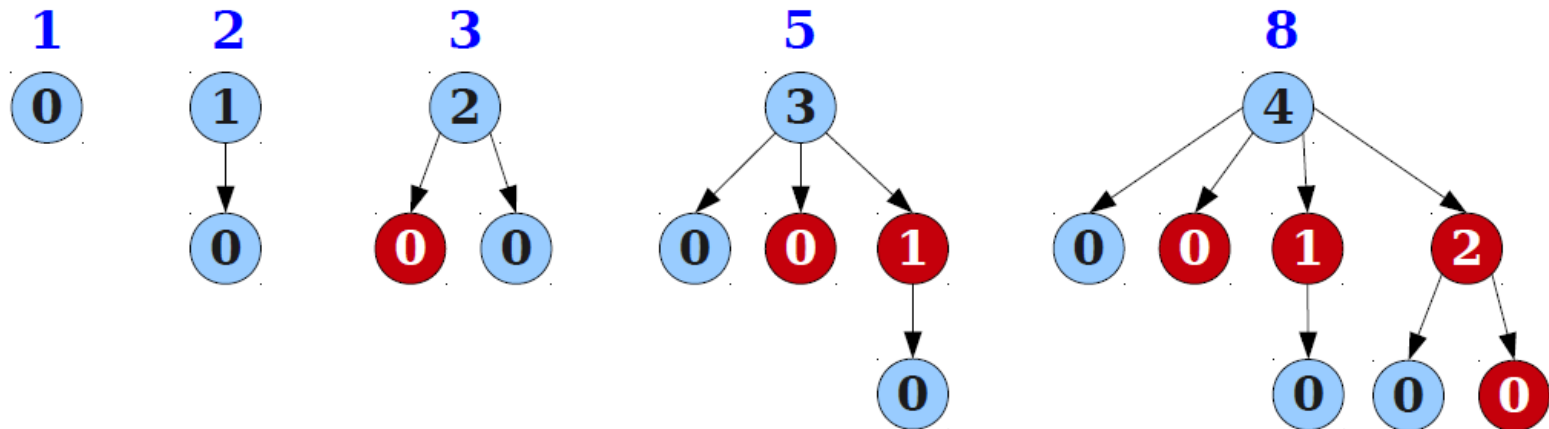
# Bounding Size of $F_k$

Let  $s_k$  be the smallest possible size of  $F_k$





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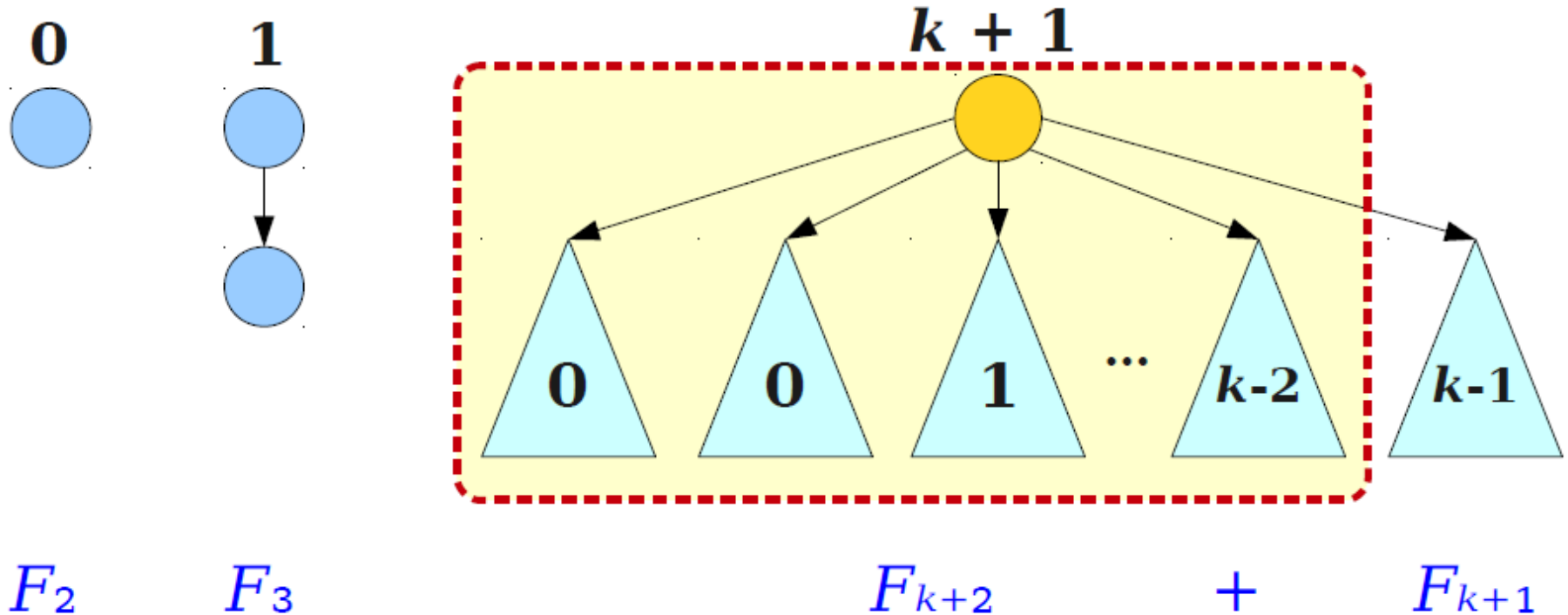


**Claim:** The minimum number of nodes in a tree of rank  $k$  is  $F_{k+2}$

# Bounding Size of $F_k$

**Theorem:** The number of nodes in a Fib tree of rank  $k$  is  $F_{k+2}$ .

**Proof:** Induction.



# Bounding the Rank of Nodes in $F_k$

- **Fact:** For  $n \geq 2$ , we have  $F_n \geq \phi^{n-2}$ , where  $\phi$  is the golden ratio:  $\phi \approx 1.61803398875\dots$
- **Claim:** In our modified data structure, we have  $\text{rank}(T) = O(\log n)$ .
- **Proof:** In a tree of rank  $k$ , there are at least  $F_{k+2} \geq \phi^k$  nodes. Therefore, the maximum rank of a tree in our data structure is  $\log_\phi n = O(\log n)$ .

# Fibonacci Heaps: Summary

Operation	Linked List	Binary Heap	Binomial Heap	Fibonacci Heap <sup>†</sup>	Relaxed Heap
<i>make-heap</i>	1	1	1	1	1
<i>is-empty</i>	1	1	1	1	1
<i>insert</i>	1	$\log n$	$\log n$	1	1
<i>delete-min</i>	$n$	$\log n$	$\log n$	$\log n$	$\log n$
<i>decrease-key</i>	$n$	$\log n$	$\log n$	1	1
<i>delete</i>	$n$	$\log n$	$\log n$	$\log n$	$\log n$
<i>union</i>	1	$n$	$\log n$	1	1
<i>find-min</i>	$n$	1	$\log n$	1	1

$n$  = number of elements in priority queue

Runtime of  
Dijkstra's/Prim's  
Algorithm

$O(|V|^2)$

$O(|E|\log(|V|))$

$O(|E| + |V|\log(|V|))$

Thank You