

Data Structure:

Disjoint Set

Skipped list

equivalence relations

- a relation on a set is **equivalence relation** if it is **reflexive, symmetric, and transitive**

show $R = \{(a, b) \mid a \equiv b \pmod{m}\}$ is an equivalence relation on the set of integers

$a \equiv b \pmod{m}$ iff $b - a = km$

reflexive: $(a - a) = 0 \cdot m$

symmetric: if $a - b = k \cdot m$, $b - a = -k \cdot m$

transitive: $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$ and $b \equiv c \pmod{m}$

$$a - b = k \cdot m, \quad b - c = l \cdot m$$

$$(a - b) + (b - c) = (a - c) = (k + l) \cdot m$$

thus, $a \equiv c \pmod{m}$

equivalence classes

■ the set of all elements that are related to an element a of A is the **equivalence class** of a

■ the equivalence class of a with respect to R is denoted by $[a]_R$

$$[a]_R = \{s \mid (a, s) \in R\}$$

what is the equivalence classes for congruence modulo 4?

$$[0] = \{\dots, -8, -4, 0, 4, 8, \dots\}$$

$$[1] = \{\dots, -7, -3, 1, 5, 9, \dots\}$$

$$[2] = \{\dots, -6, -2, 2, 6, 10, \dots\}$$

$$[3] = \{\dots, -5, -1, 3, 7, 11, \dots\}$$

equivalence classes and partitions

■ R is an equivalence relation on a set A , a and $b \in A$

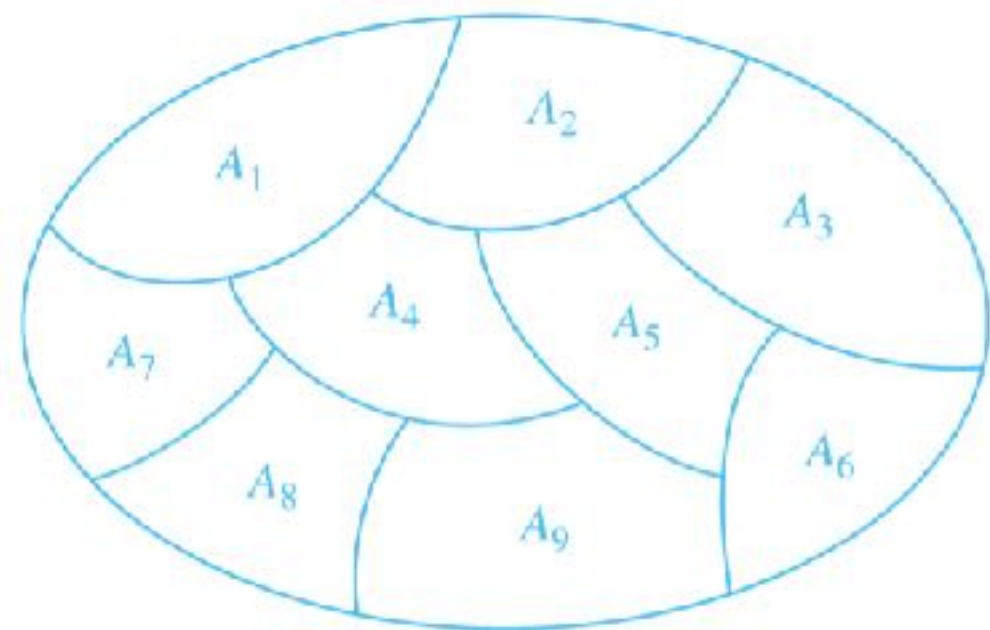
■ aRb

■ $[a] = [b]$

■ equivalence relation partitions a set, p and $q \in A$

■ when $[p]_R \neq [q]_R, [p] \cap [q] = \emptyset$

■
$$\bigcup_{k \in A} [k]_R = A$$



Disjoint sets

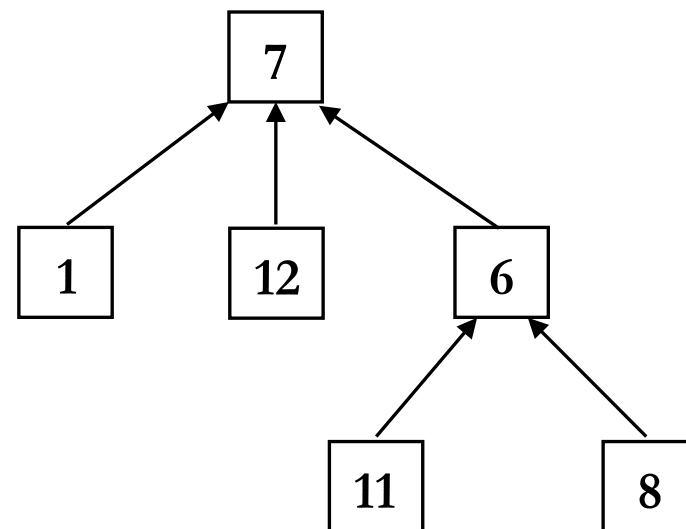
- We assume that the sets being represented are pairwise disjoint.
- If S_i and S_j are two sets and $i \neq j$, then there is no element that is in both S_i and S_j
- Basic operations needed for Disjoint Set
 - union
 - find

$$S_1 = \{0, 6, 7, 8\}, S_2 = \{1, 4, 9\}, S_3 = \{2, 3, 5\}$$

$$S_1 \cup S_2 = \{0, 6, 7, 8, 1, 4, 9\}$$

Union-Find in disjoint sets

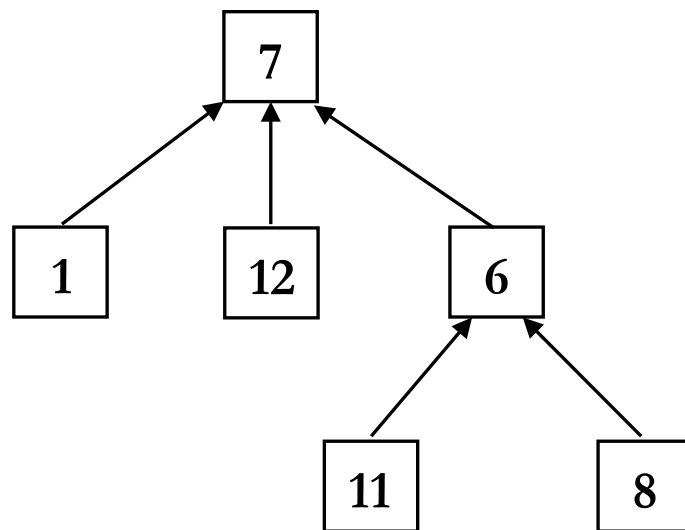
- maintain elements of S in a forest of inverted trees
 - pointers in the tree are directed towards the root.
 - the root of a tree has a NULL parent pointer
 - two elements are in the same set iff they are in the same tree.



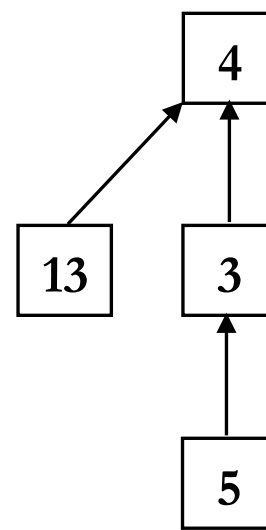
$$S_1 = \{1, 6, 7, 8, 11, 12\}$$

Union-Find in disjoint sets

- Find(S, i)
 - find the node containing i
 - follow the parent links up to the root.
 - return the root node as the “name” of the set.



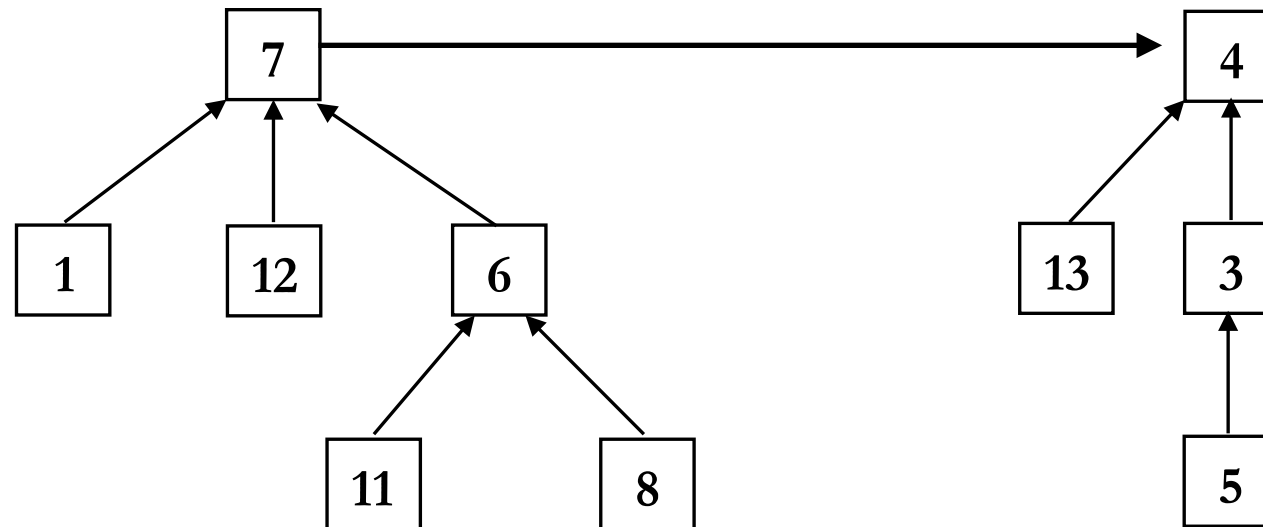
$$S_1 = \{1, 6, 7, 8, 11, 12\}$$



$$S_2 = \{4, 3, 5, 13\}$$

Union-Find in disjoint sets

■ Union(i, j)



$$S_1 = \{1, 6, 7, 8, 11, 12\}$$

$$S_2 = \{4, 3, 5, 13\}$$

$$S_1 \cup S_2 = \{1, 6, 7, 8, 11, 12, 4, 3, 5, 13\}$$

Union-Find in disjoint sets

- Init(S): set all parent to 0

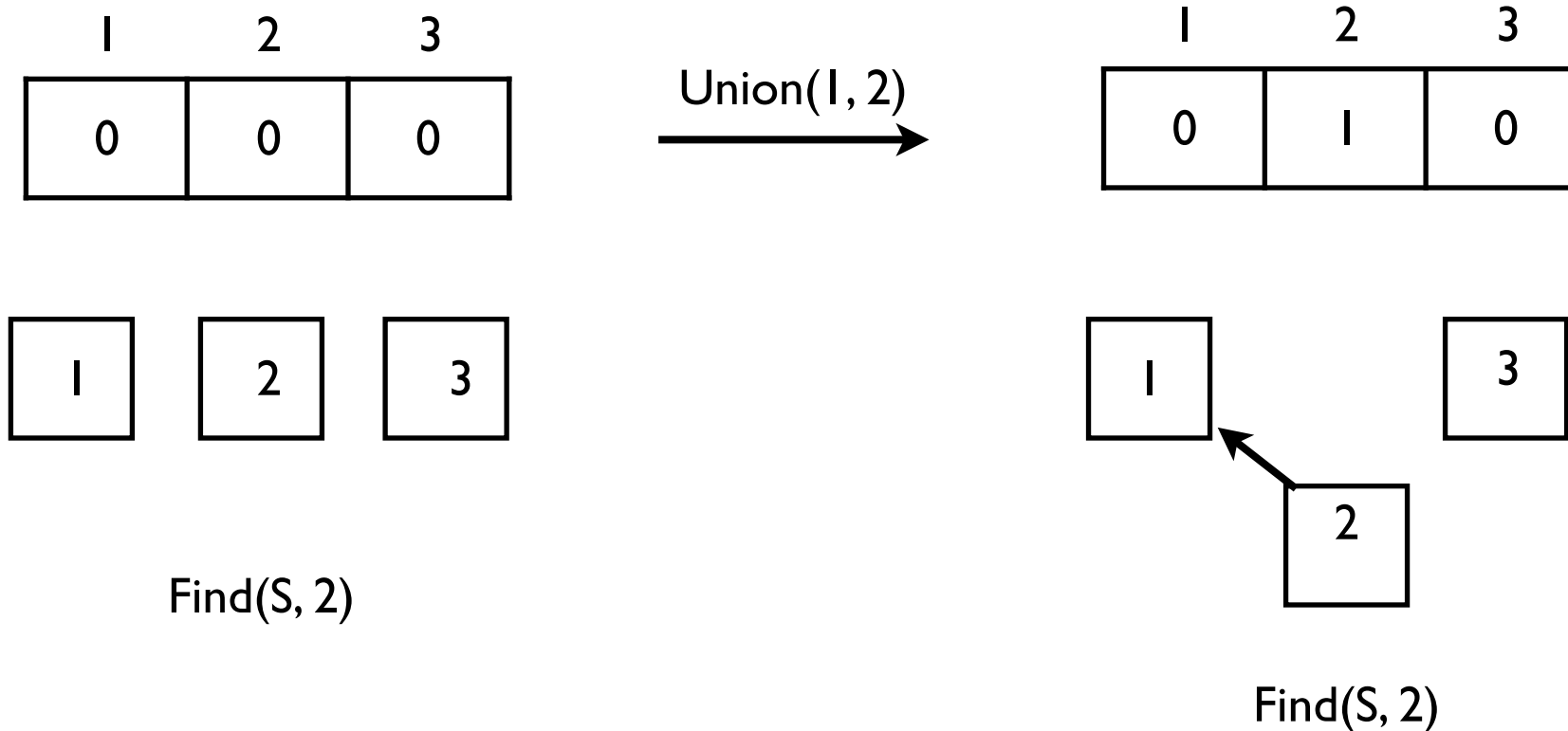
ex) when $S = \{1, 2, 3\}$, $[1] = \{1\}$, $[2] = \{2\}$, $[3] = \{3\}$

- Find(S, i): follow the parent link

ex) Union(1, 2): $[1] = \{1, 2\}$, $[3] = \{3\}$

- Union(S, t) link the root of one tree into the root of the other tree

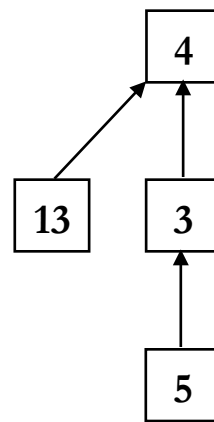
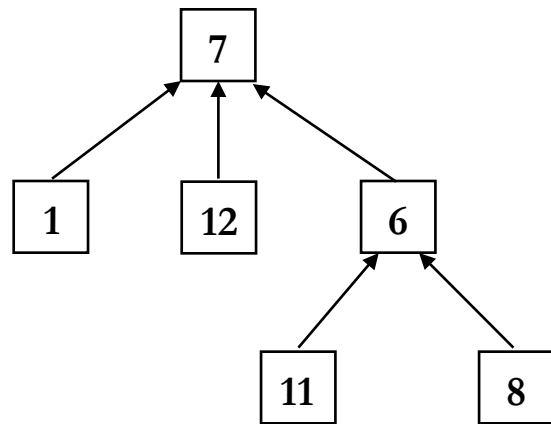
ex) $\text{Find}(S, 1) = 1$, $\text{Find}(S, 2) = 1$, $\text{Find}(S, 1) = \text{Find}(S, 2)$



Union-Find in disjoint sets

$S = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13\}$

the current partition: $\{1, 6, 7, 8, 11, 12\}, \{2\}, \{3, 4, 5, 13\}, \{9, 10\}$



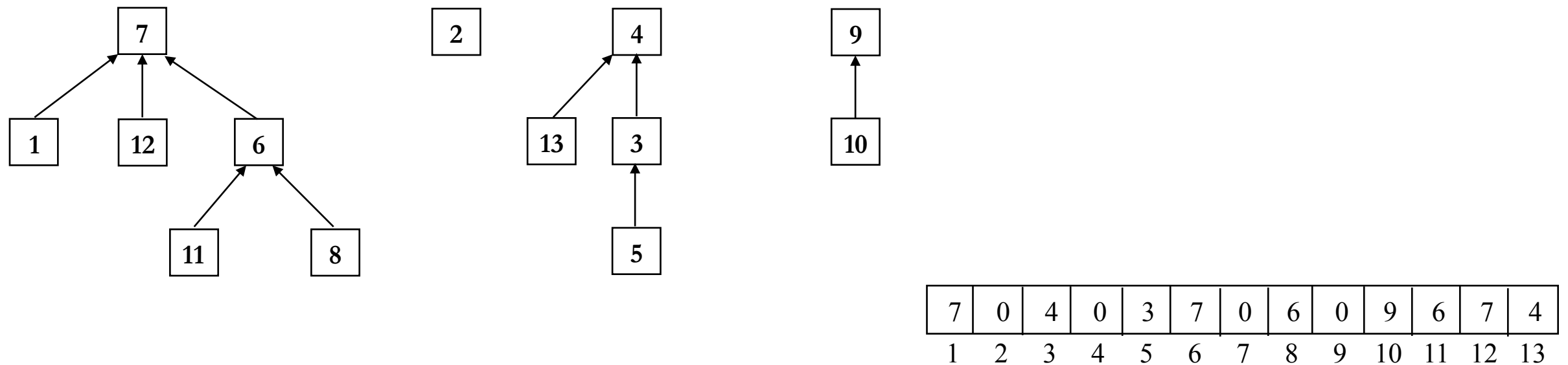
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| 7 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 7 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 9 | 6 | 7 | 4 |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |

- there is no order how the tree should be structured
- the element is an index, not a *key*
- for each element, the array $S[1..n]$ stores the index of the parent in the tree
- index of 0 means a null pointer

Union-Find in disjoint sets

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■ What is the time complexity for union?

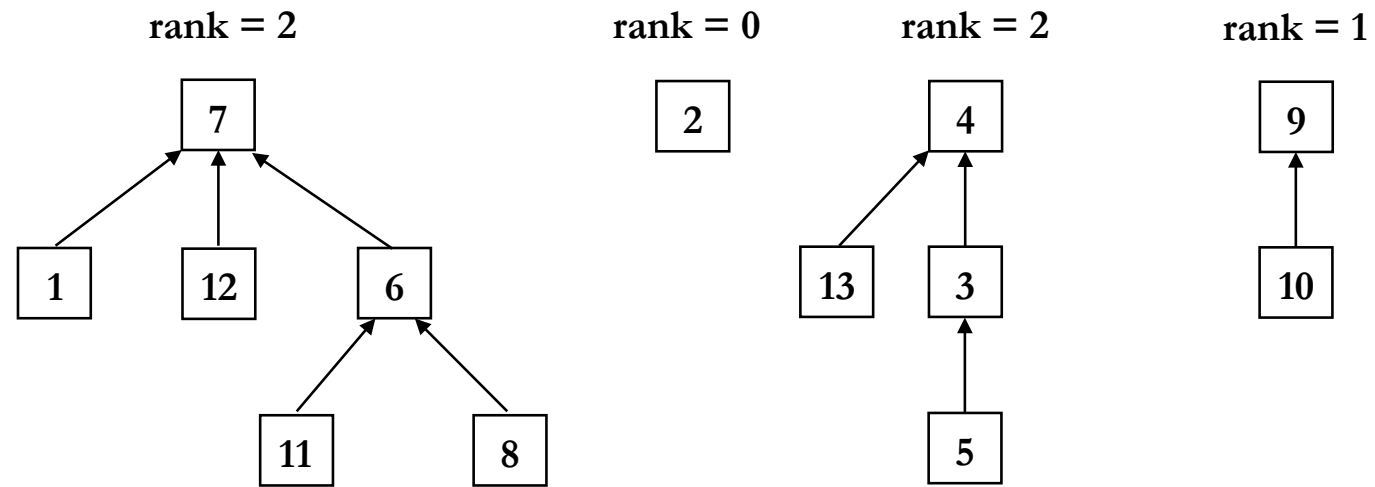
■ $\text{Union}(\{2\}, \{9, 10\})$

If we link $\{9, 10\}$ into $\{2\}$, the resulting height is 2

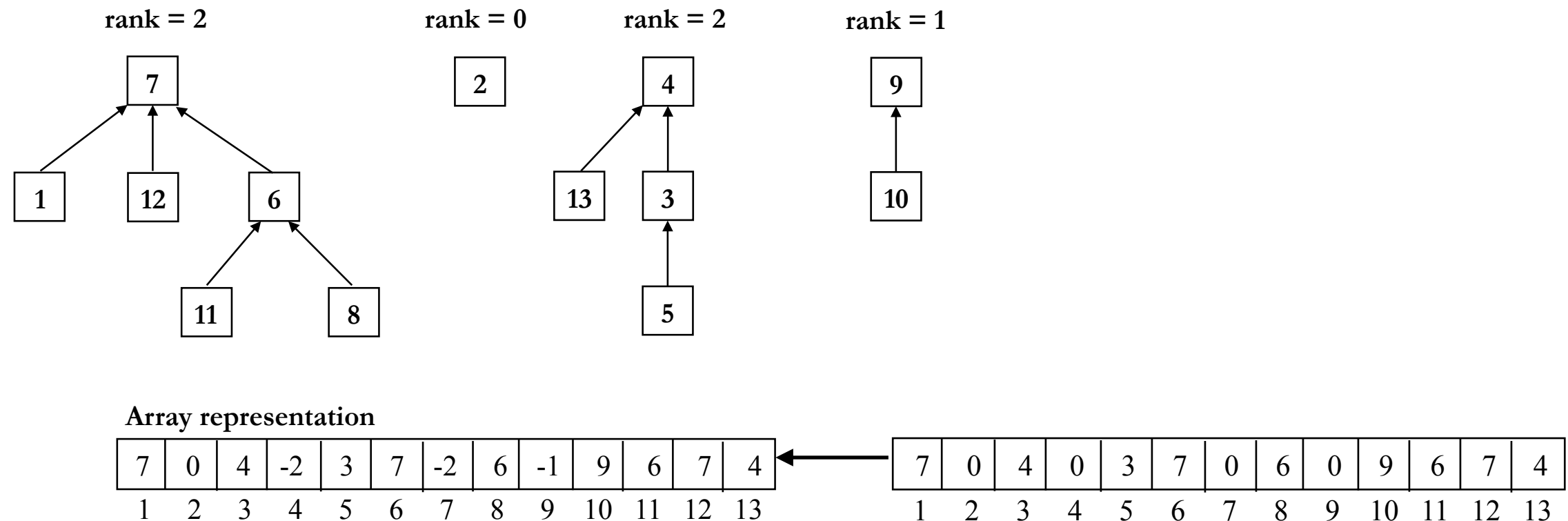
If we link $\{2\}$ into $\{9, 10\}$, the resulting height is 1

■ How can we improve the simple union?

Union-Find in disjoint sets ADT



Union-Find in disjoint sets ADT



- to perform smart Union, each tree includes an extra information called *rank*, which is the height of the tree.
- link the tree with smaller rank to the tree with larger rank.
- where do we store the rank?
 - We only need to maintain the rank for the root nodes
 - One clever way is to store the negative of rank at the root node
 - if $S[i]$ is strictly positive it is a parent pointer.
 - Otherwise, i is a root and $-S[i]$ is the rank of the tree.

Union-Find in disjoint sets ADT

$S = \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$

Perform the following operation in order

`union(0, 1)`, `union(1, 2)`, `union(2, 3)`, `union(3, 4)`

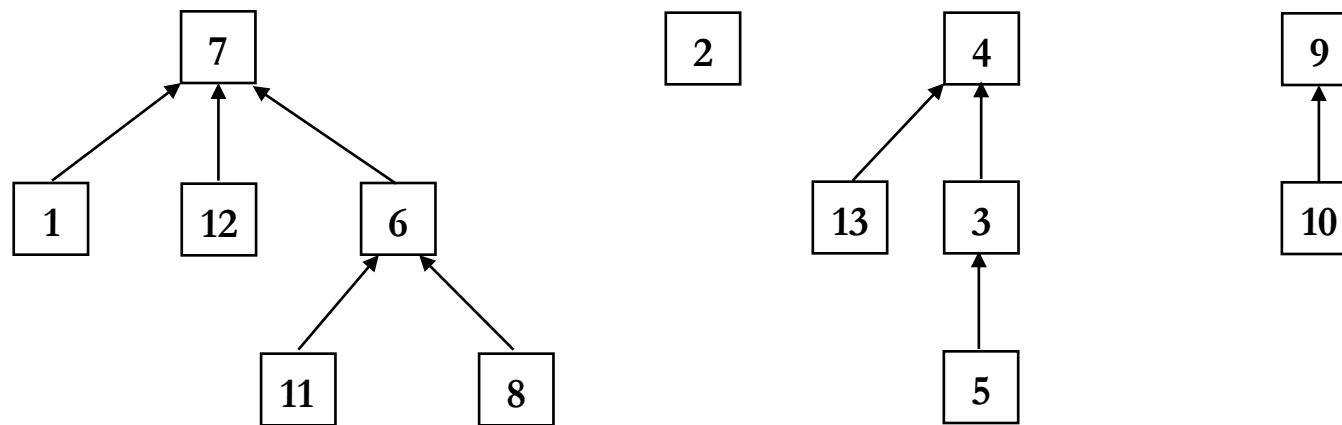
Union-Find in disjoint sets ADT

```
Disj_Sets S[n];  
void init(Disj_Sets *S)  
{  
    for (i = 1; i <= n; i++) S[i] = 0;  
}
```

```
Set_Type Find1(Elt_Type x, Disj_Sets *S)  
{  
    while (S[x] > 0)  
        x = S[x];  
    return x;  
}
```

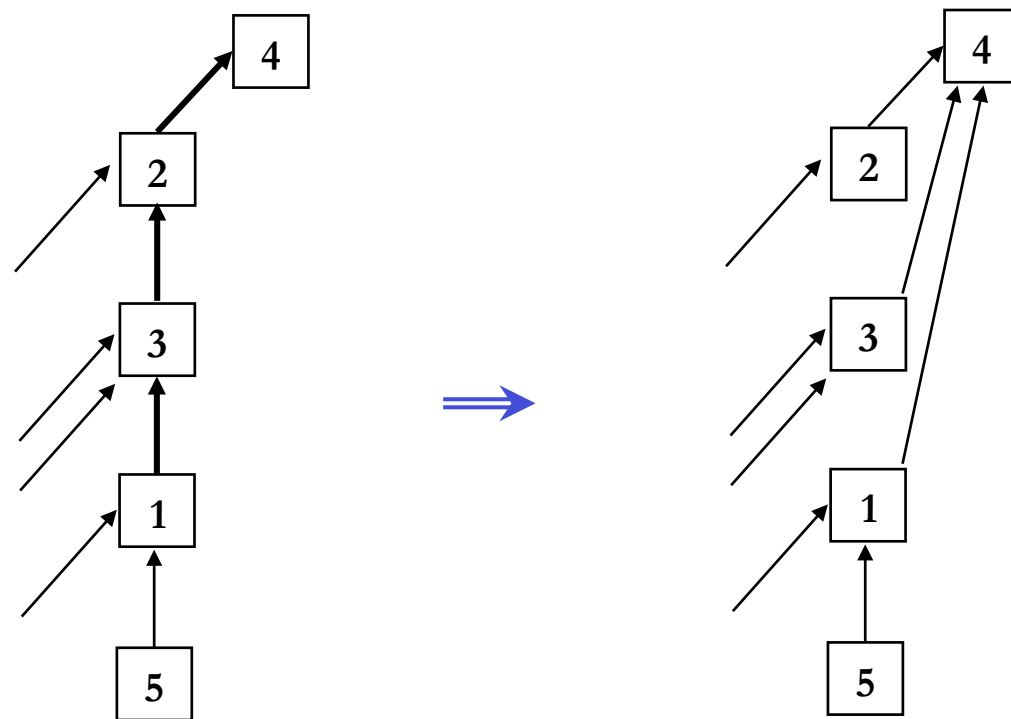
Union-Find in disjoint sets ADT

```
void Union(Disj_Sets *S, Set_Type r1, Set_Type r2)
{
    if (S[r2] < S[r1])
        S[r1] = r2;          /* if |S[r2]| > |S[r1]|, add r1 to r2 */
    else
    {
        if (S[r2] == S[r1])
            S[r1]--;
        S[r2] = r1;          /* add r2 to r1 */
    }
}
```



path compression

- a simple heuristic to improve running time significantly (ALMOST gets rid of the $\log n$ factor in the running time $O(n \log n)$)
- If we compress the paths on each Find(), subsequent Find() will go much faster.
- “Compress the path” means that when we find the root we set all parent pointers of the node on our find path to the root.



```
Set_Type Find2(Elt_Type x, Disj_Sets S)
{
    if (S[x] <= 0)
        return x;
    else
        return (S[x] = Find2(S[x], S));
}
```

- running time of Find2() is still proportional to the height of the tree
- each time you spend lots of time in Find2(), you make the tree flatter, thus making subsequent Find2() faster.

disjoint sets ADT



disjoint sets ADT

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| Start | | | | | |
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| | | | | | End |

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|-------|----|----|----|----|----|-----|
| Start | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 |
| | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 |
| | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 |
| | 31 | 32 | 33 | 34 | 35 | 36 |
| | | | | | | End |

Union-Find in disjoint sets ADT

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| Start | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
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| | | | | | | End |

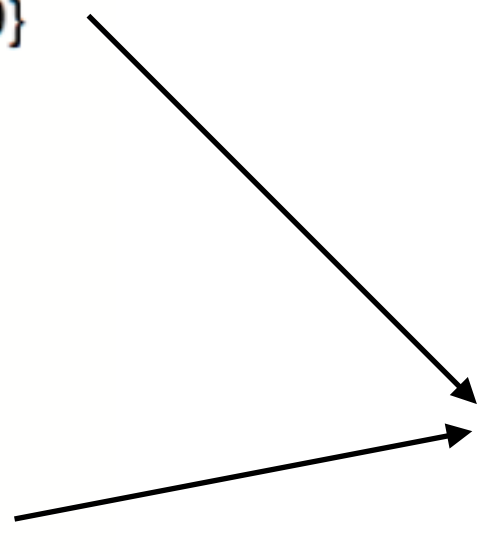
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| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | ... | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | ... |
| | | | | | | -5 | 7 | | 20 | | | | | | | -3 | |

- {1,2,7,8,9,13,19}
- {3}
- {4}
- {5}
- {6}
- {10}
- {11,17}
- {12}
- {14,20,26,27}
- {15,16,21}
- .
- .
- {22,23,24,29,30,32
- 33,34,35,36}

Union(8, 14)

Find(8) = 7, Find(14) = 20

{1,2,7,8,9,13,19, 14, 20, 26, 27}



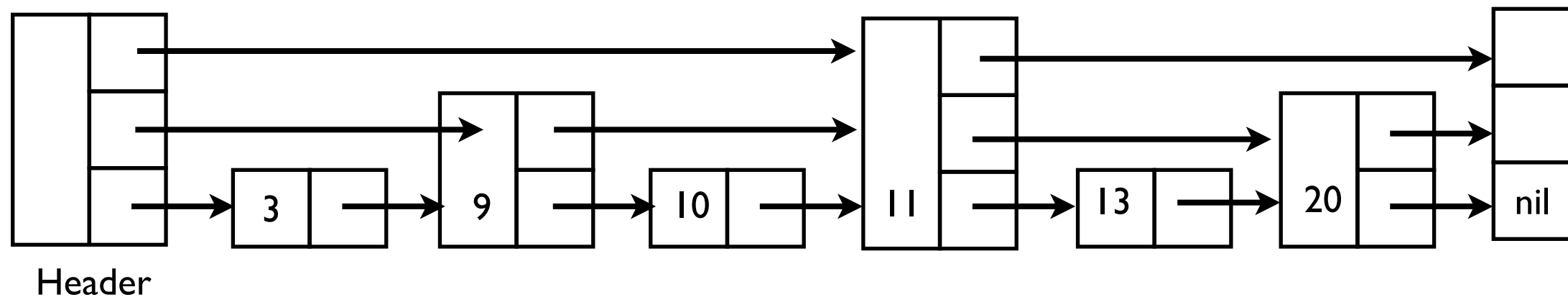
skip lists

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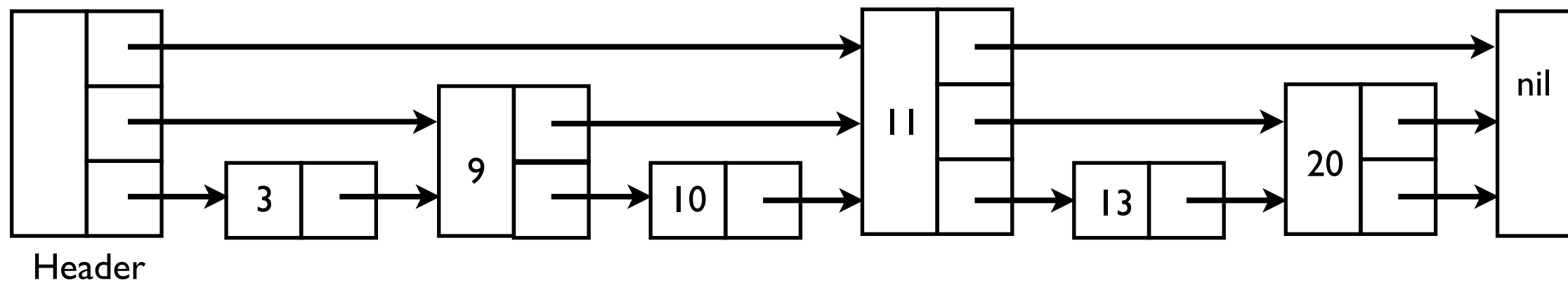
- linked lists do
 - insertion and deletion in $O(1)$, but find in $O(n)$
 - not store sorted lists
- how can we make linked lists better?
- store in sorted linked lists?
- a randomized data structure: it uses the random number generator
- skip lists
 - use hierarchy of sorted linked lists
 - skip over lots of items to find an element
 - expected search time is $O(\log n)$ with high probability

perfect skip lists

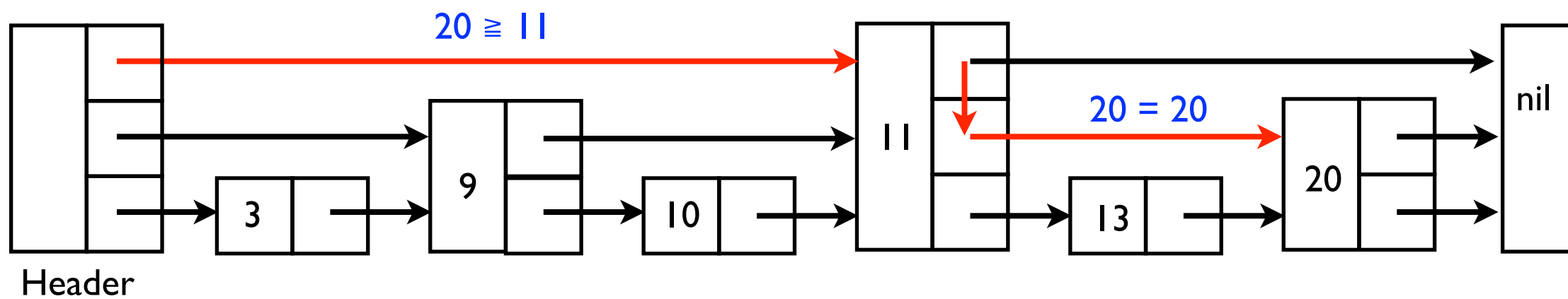
- nodes are of variable size, including 1 and $O(\log n)$ pointers
- search(k)
 - if $k = \text{key}$, done
 - if $k < \text{next key}$, go down a level
 - if $k \geq \text{next key}$, go right
- In the worst case,
 - we have to go through all $\log n$ levels
 - at each level, we visit at most 2 nodes: $O(\log n)$



perfect skip lists: search



search(20)



How about search(14)?

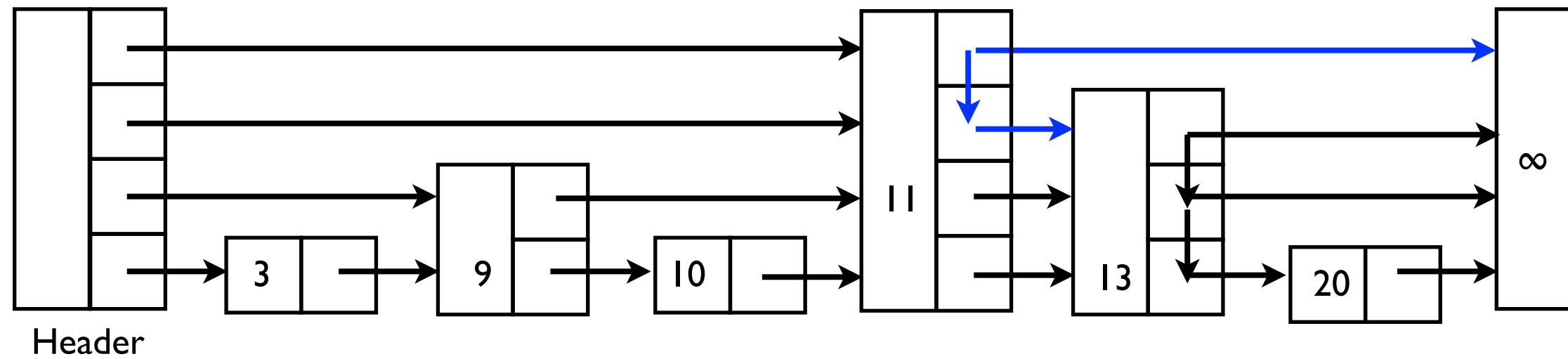
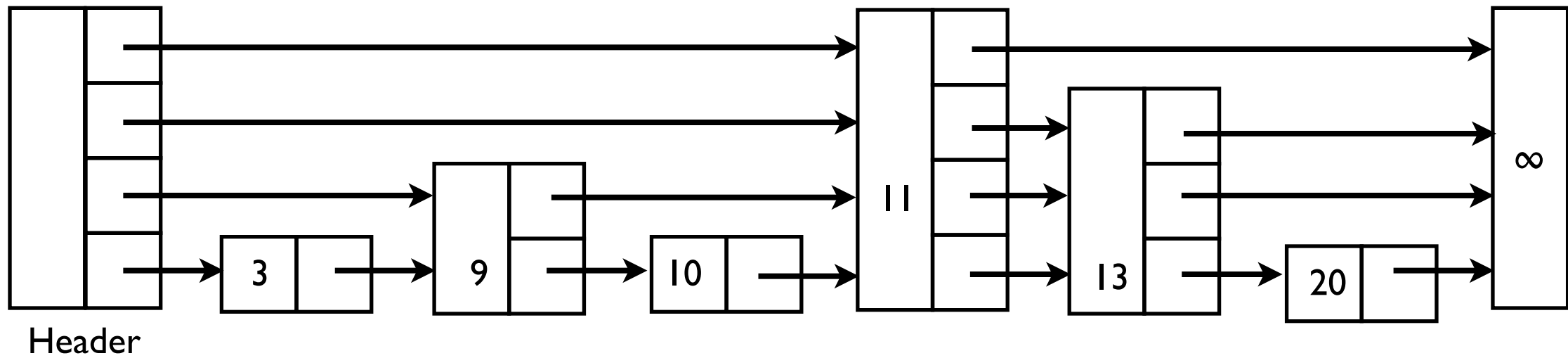
randomized skip lists

- perfect skip lists need to rearrange the entire list after insertion and deletion
- to insert or delete x ,
 - search for x in the skip list
 - find the position p_0, p_1, \dots, p_i of the items that has the largest key less than x in each level $0, 1, \dots, i$
- The maximum level (the size of header node) should be $\log n$ when n is the maximum number of nodes allowed

```
struct skip_node {  
    element_type    element;  
    int    level;  
    struct skip_node    **forward;  
} *s;  
  
s = (skip_node*)malloc( sizeof(struct skip_node) );  
s->forward = (skip_node**)malloc( sizeof(skip_node *)*(level+1) );
```

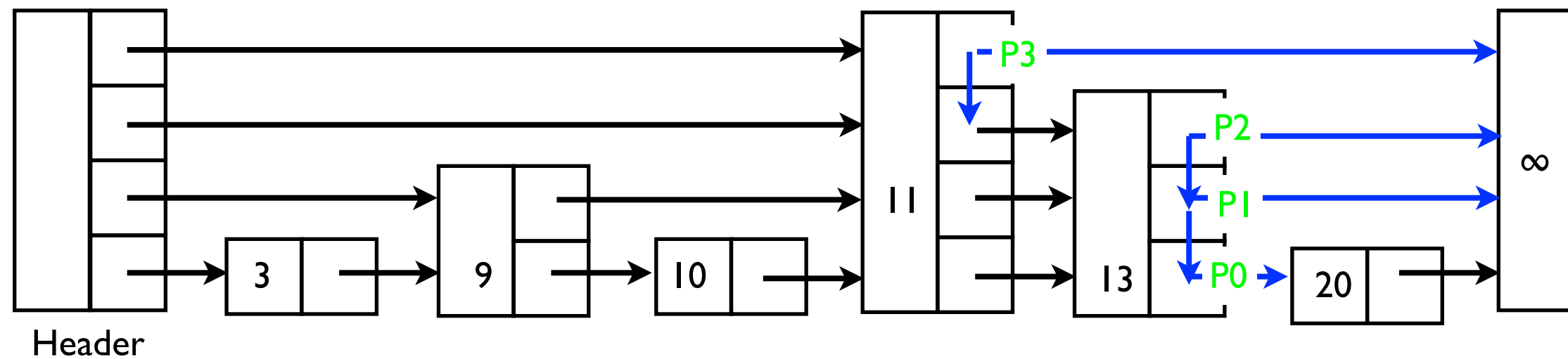
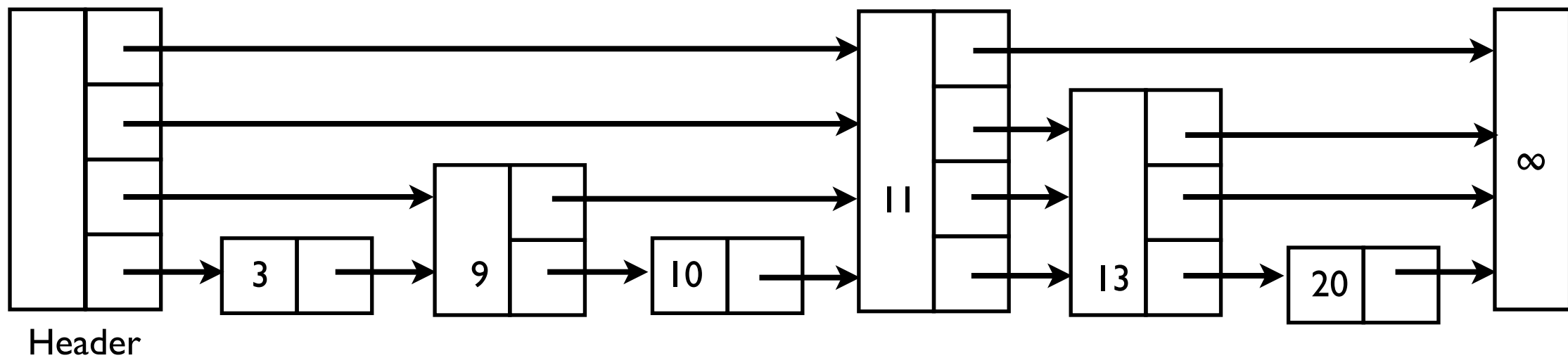
randomized skip lists: search

search(13)



randomized skip lists: insert

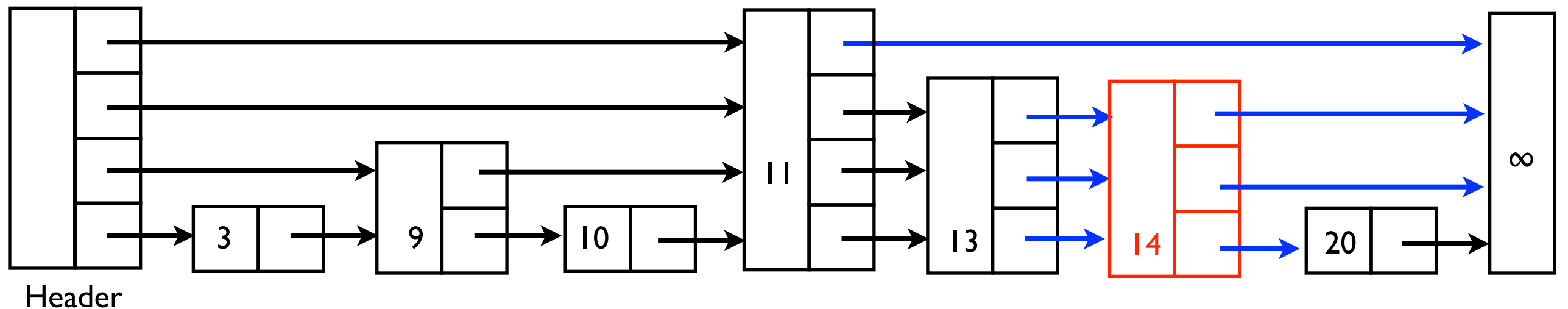
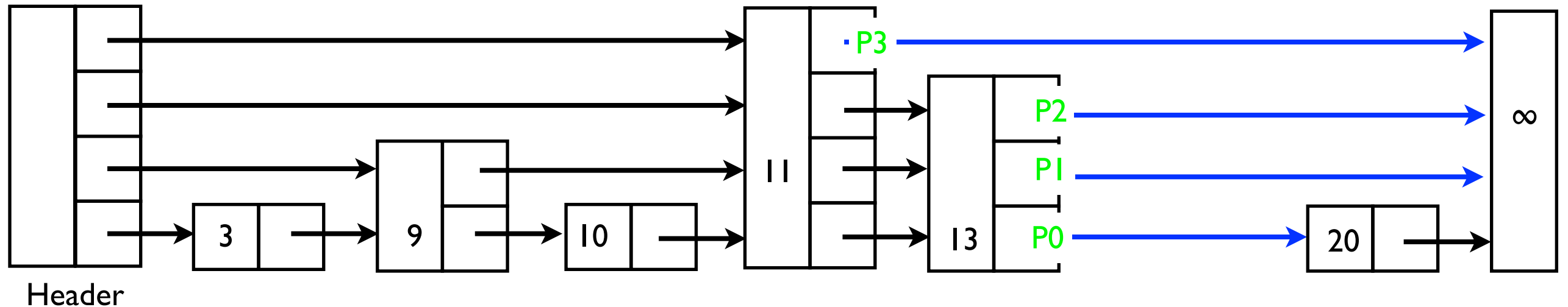
insert(14)



found the place for insertion!

randomized skip lists: insert

insert(14) at level 2



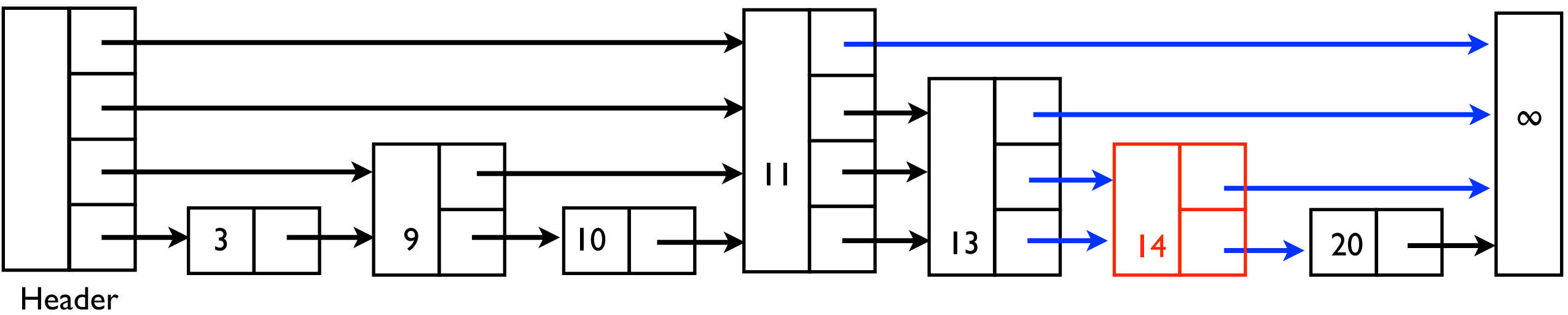
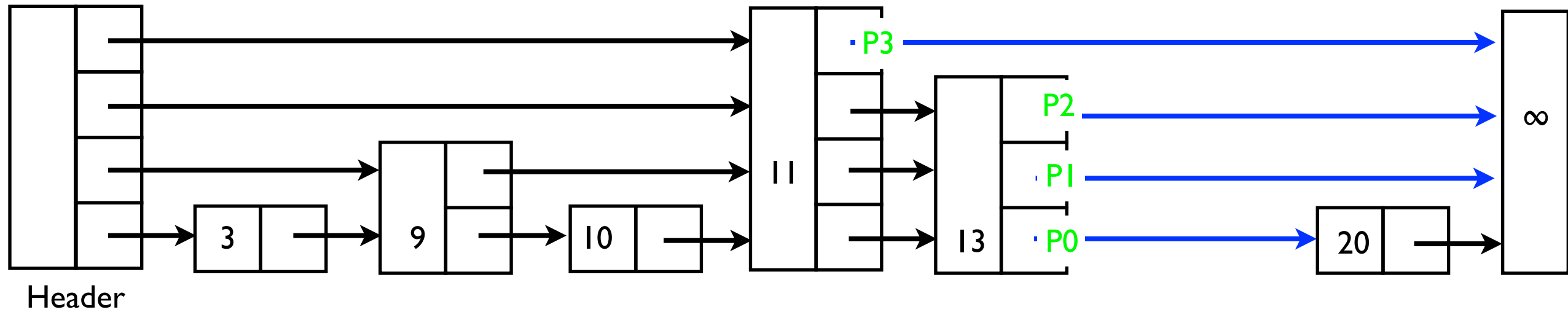
```
search(x);
level = 0;
while (FLIP() == "heads")
    level ++;
```

```
# find x
# insert node in level 0

# move the level of the new node up
```

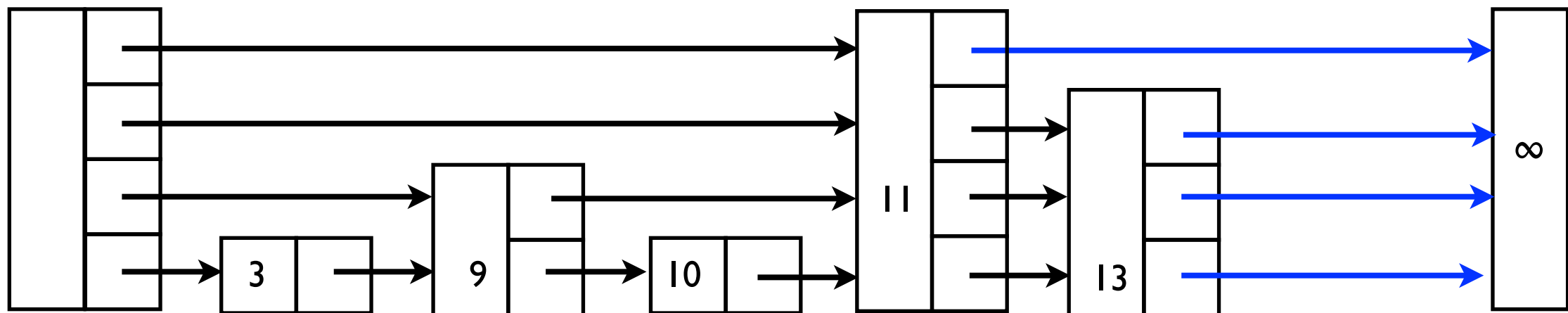
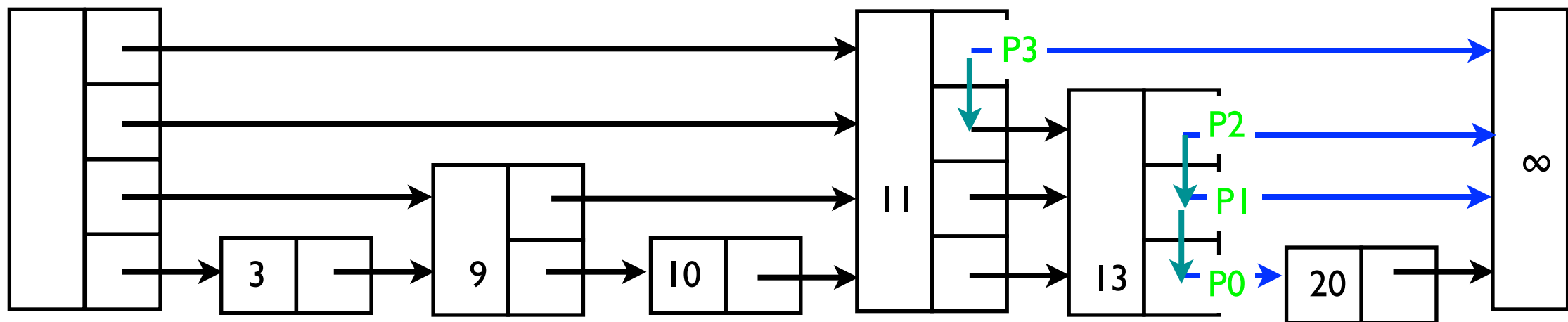
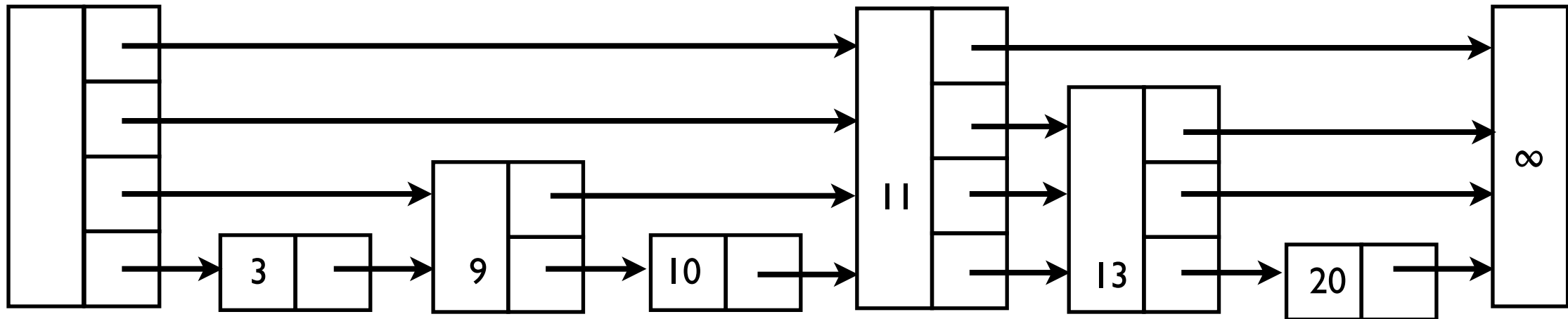
randomized skip lists: insert

insert(14) at level 1



randomized skip lists: delete

delete(20)



randomized skip lists: delete

delete(9)

