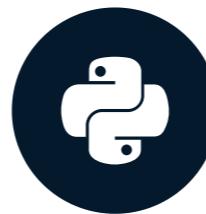


# Linear Search and Binary Search

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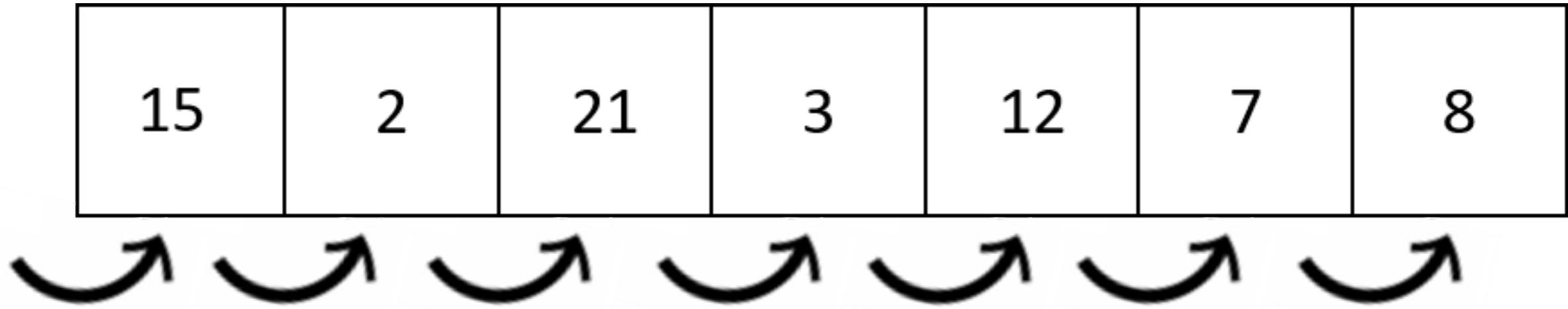
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# Searching algorithms

- Searching is an essential operation
  - Several ways
- Algorithms that search for an element within a collection:
  - Linear search
  - Binary search

# Linear search

- Looping through each element



- Element found
  - algorithm stops
  - returns the result
- Element not found
  - algorithm continues

# Linear search

```
def linear_search(unordered_list, search_value):
    for index in range(len(unordered_list)):
        if unordered_list[index] == search_value:
            return True
    return False
```

```
print(linear_search([15,2,21,3,12,7,8], 8))
```

True

```
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```

False

# Linear search - complexity

- Complexity:  $O(n)$

# Binary search

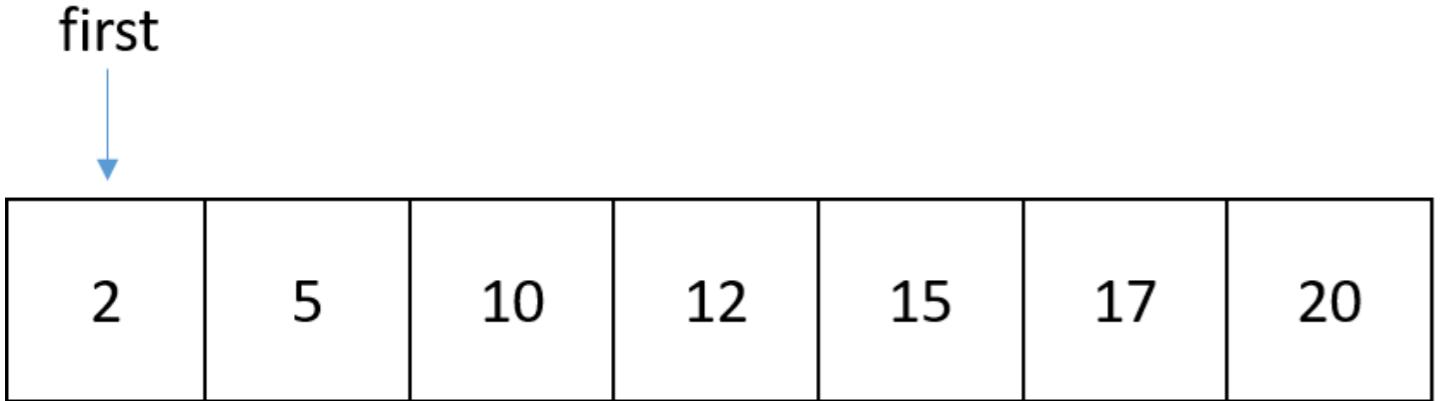
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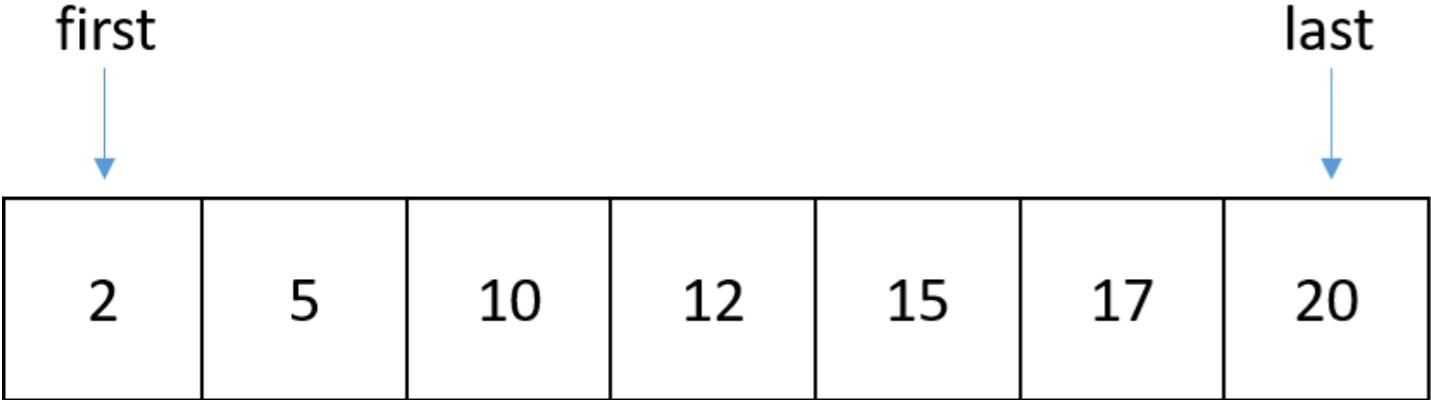


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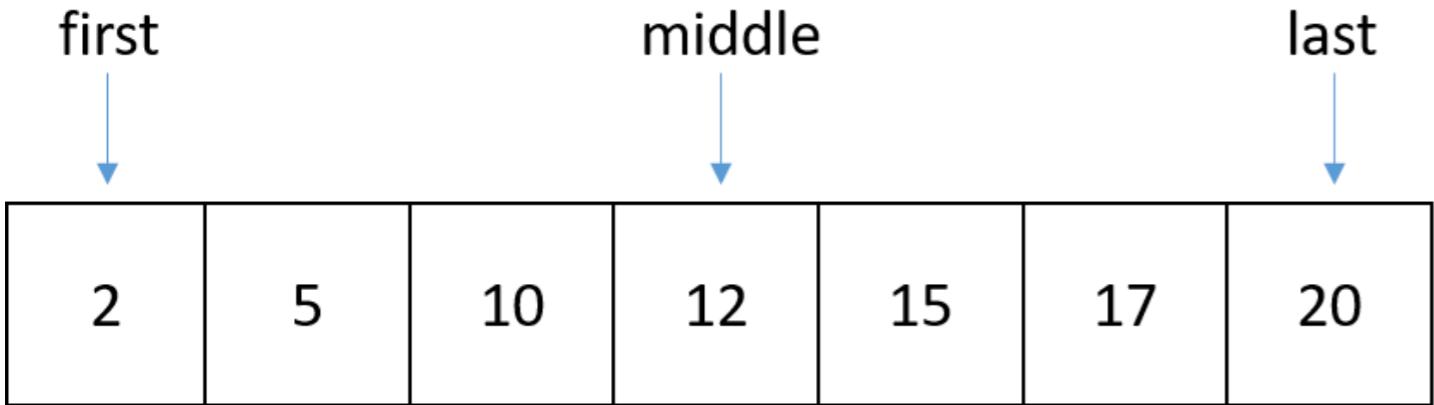


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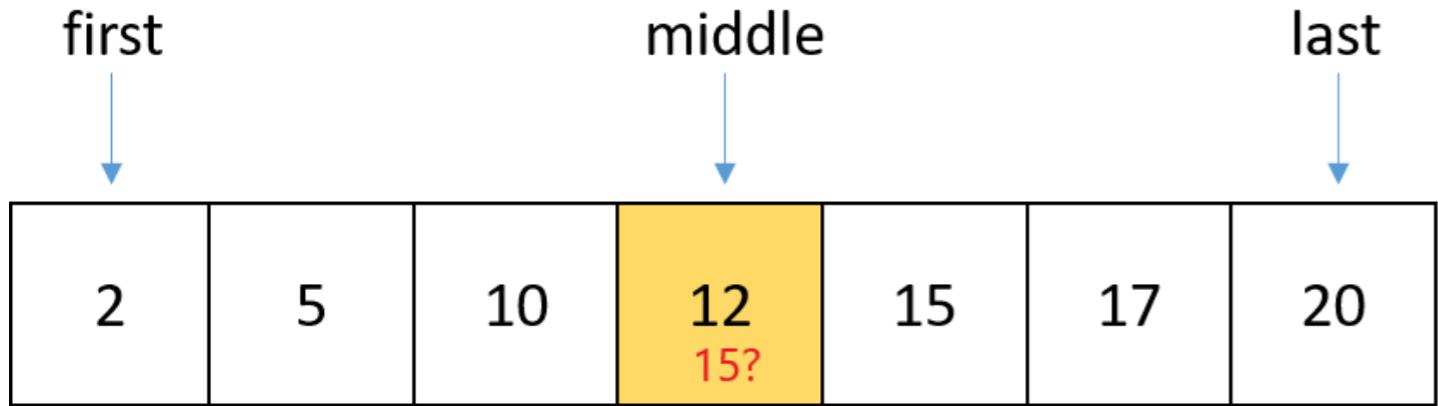


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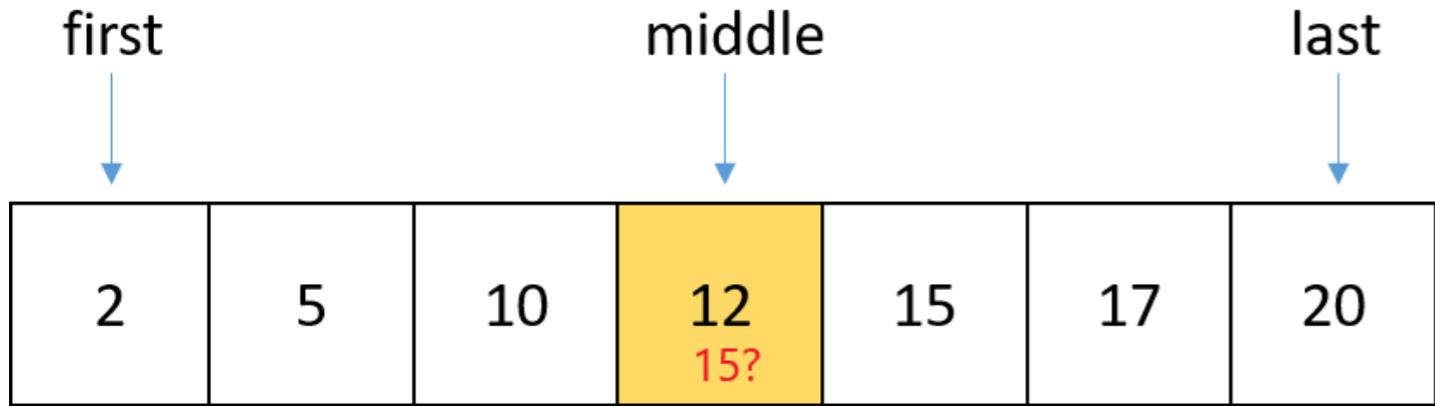


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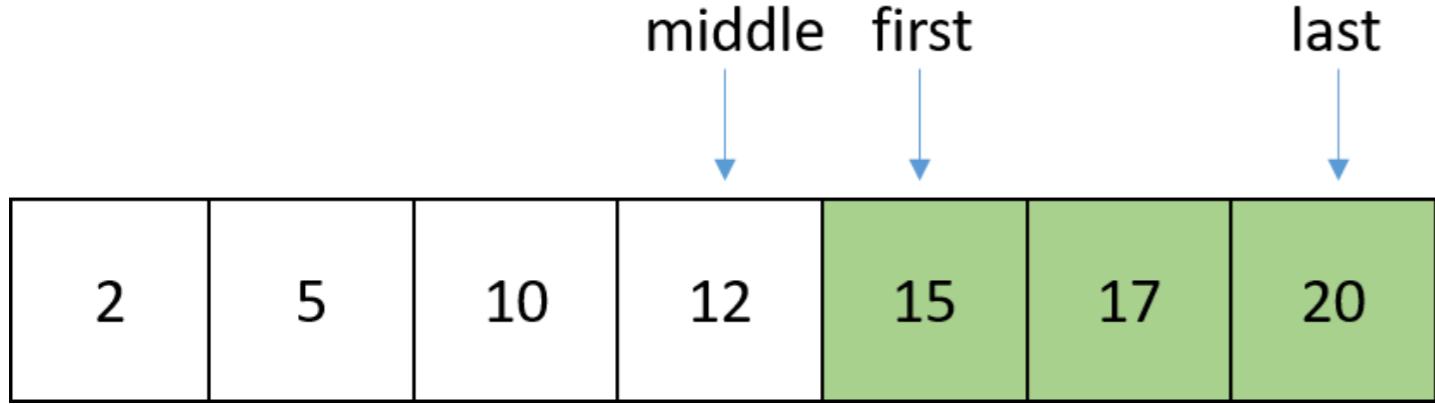


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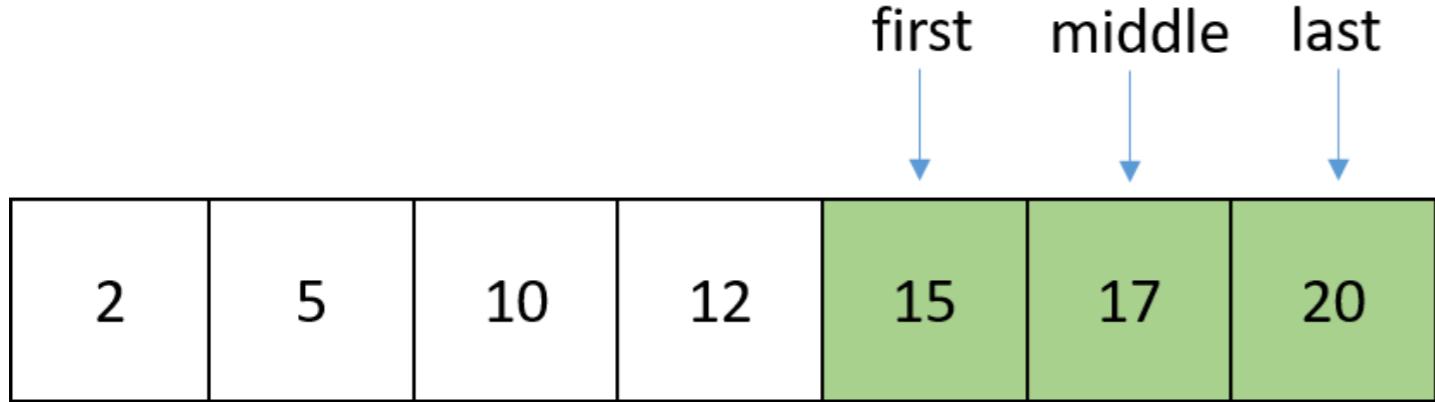


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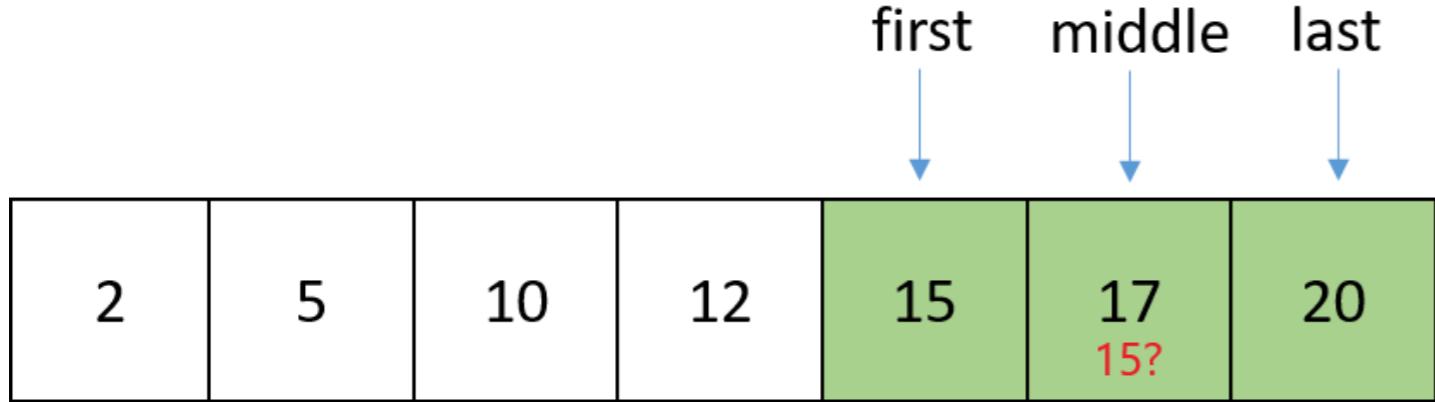


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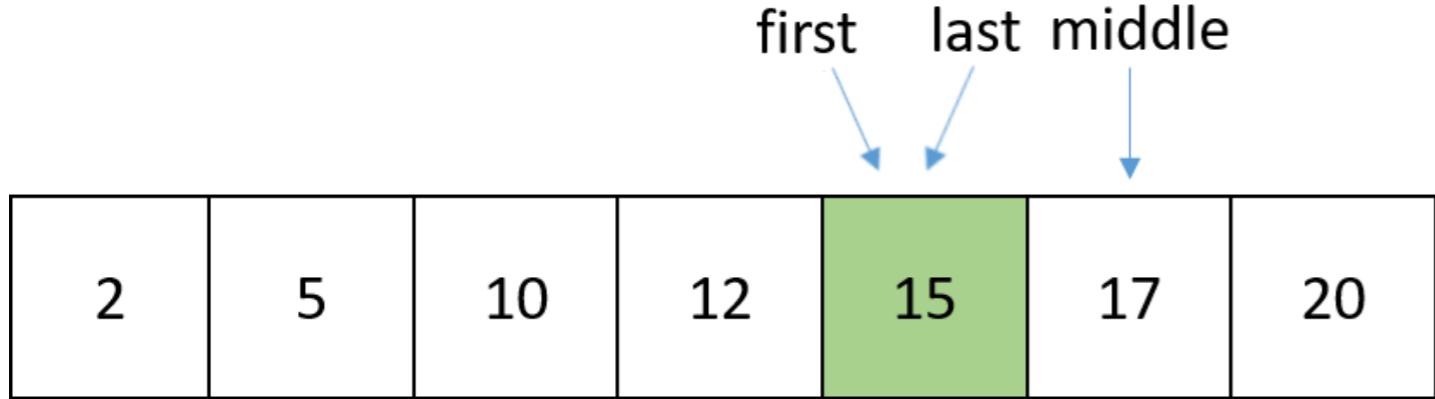


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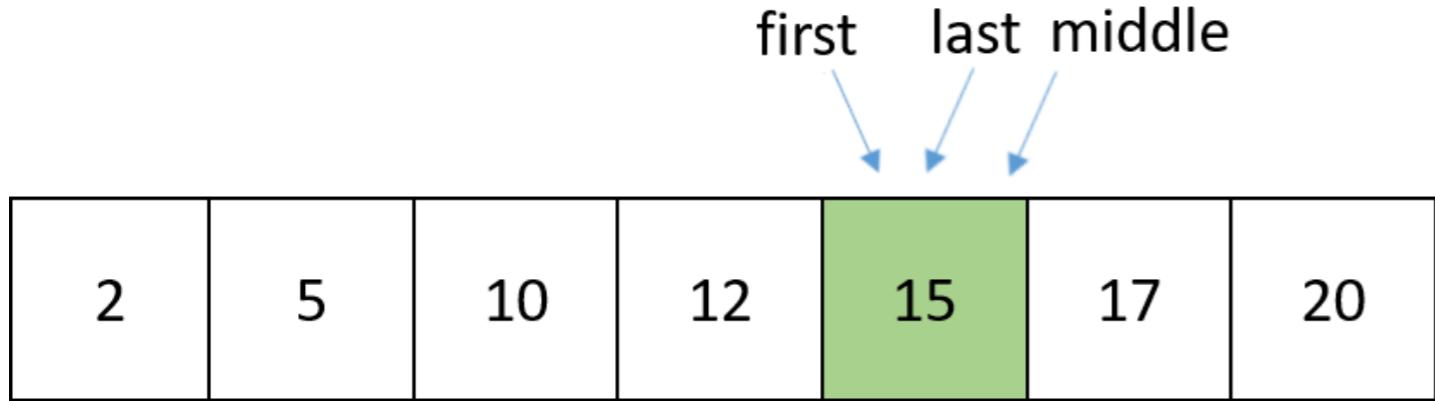


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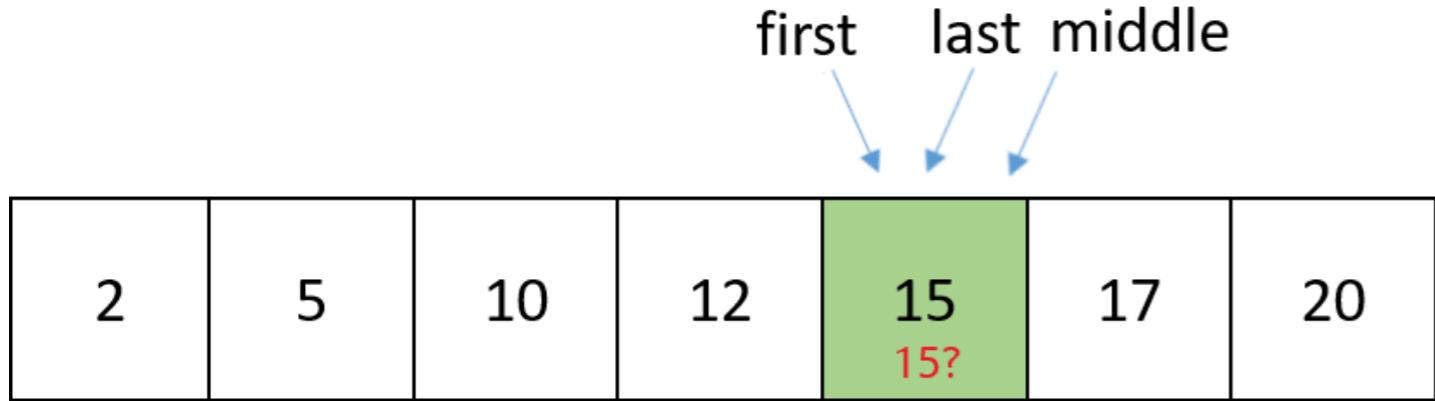


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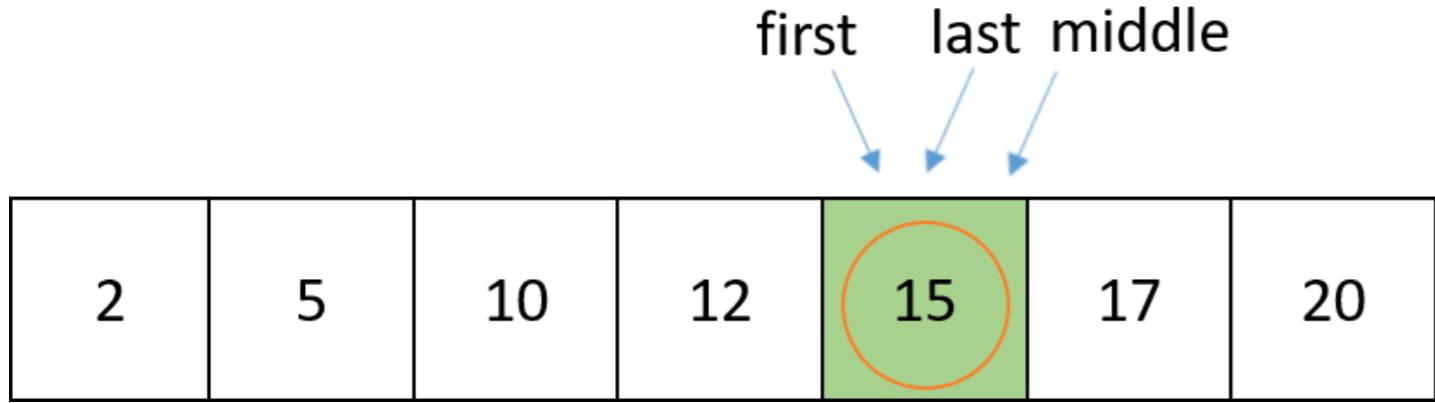


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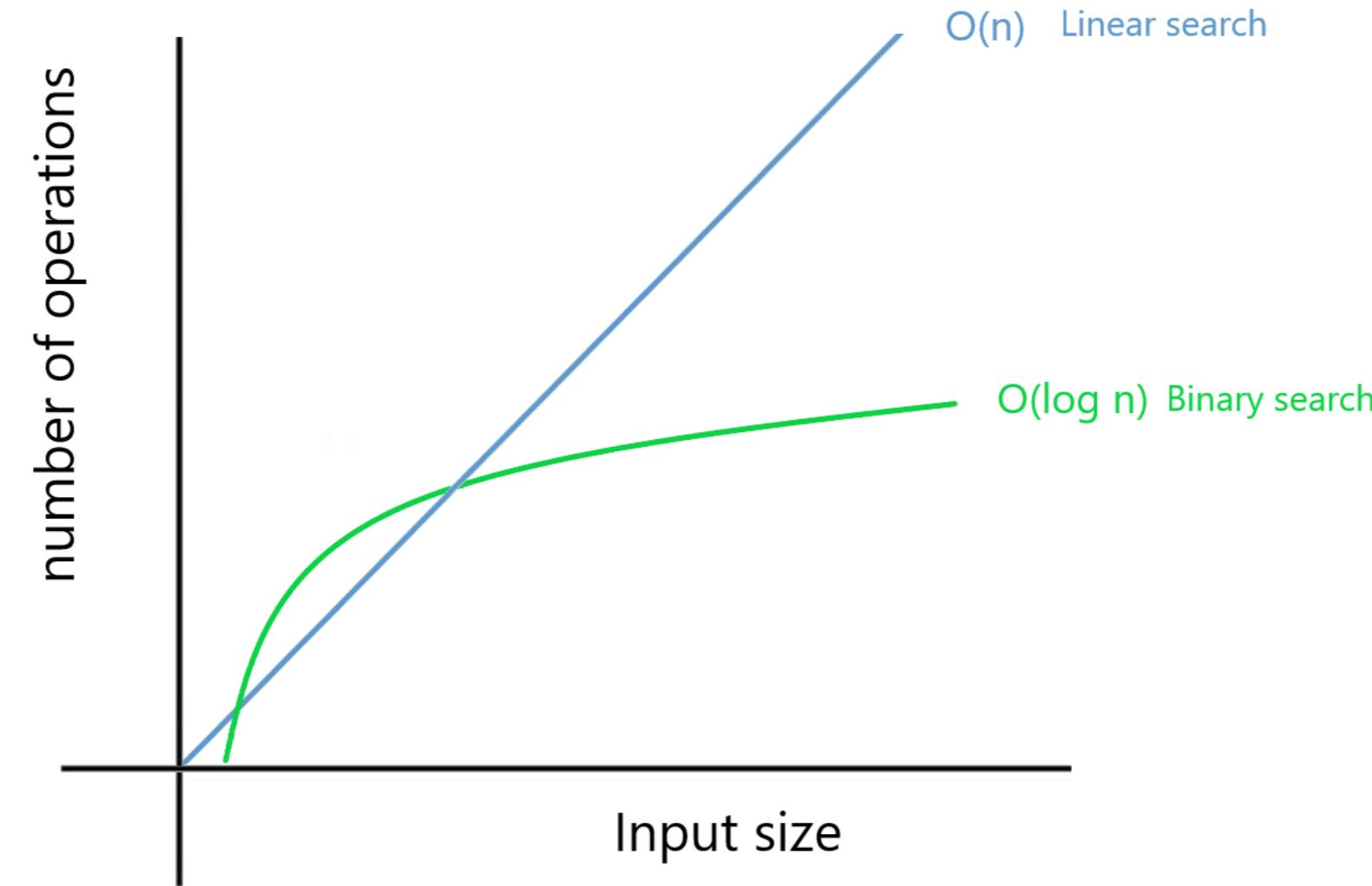


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# Binary search - complexity

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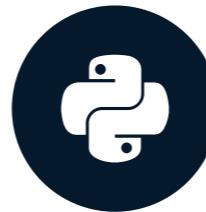


# **Let's practice!**

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# Binary Search Tree (BST)

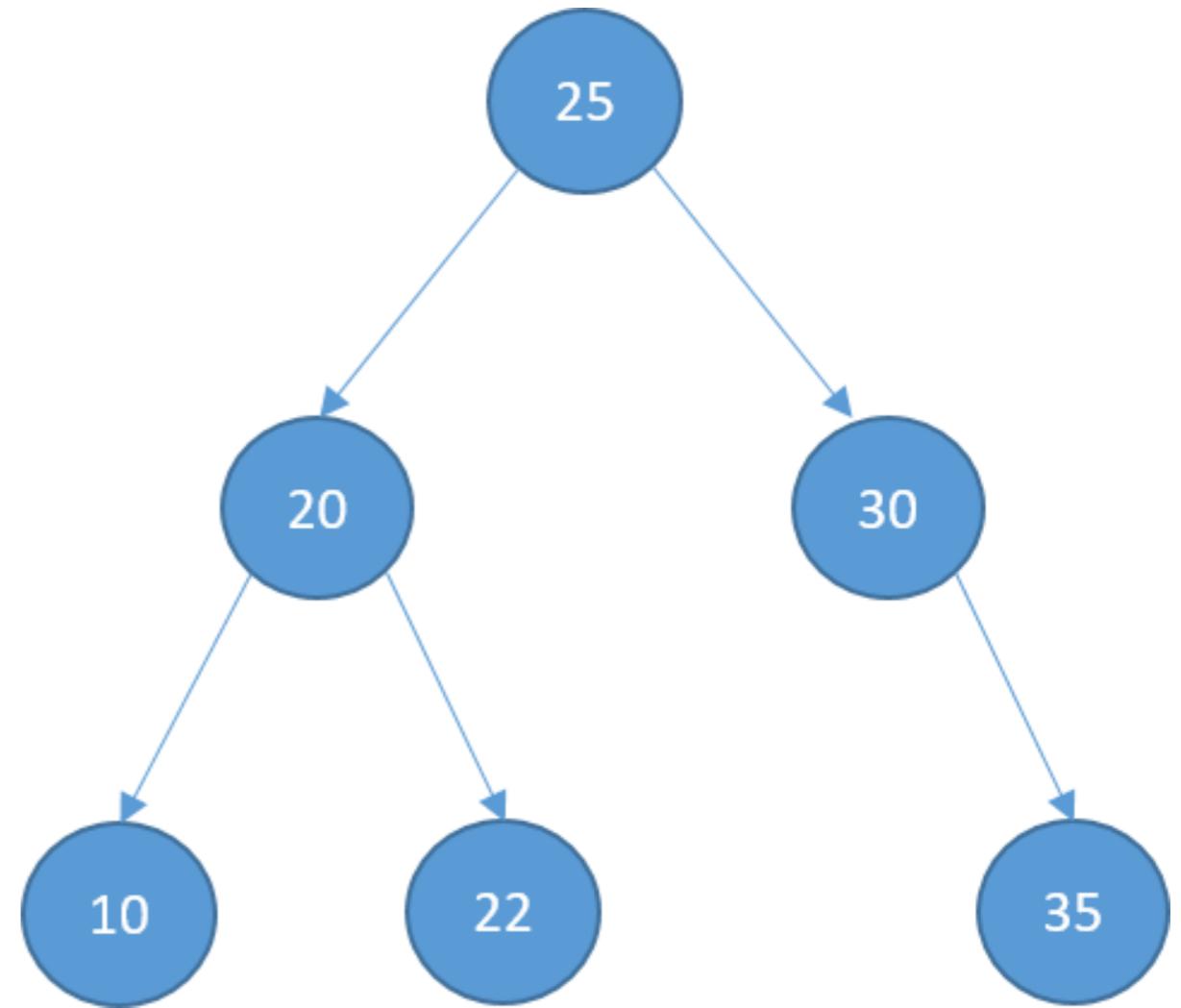
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# Definition

- **Left subtree** of a node:
  - values **less** than the node itself
- **Right subtree** of a node:
  - values **greater** than the node itself
- Left and right subtrees must be binary search trees



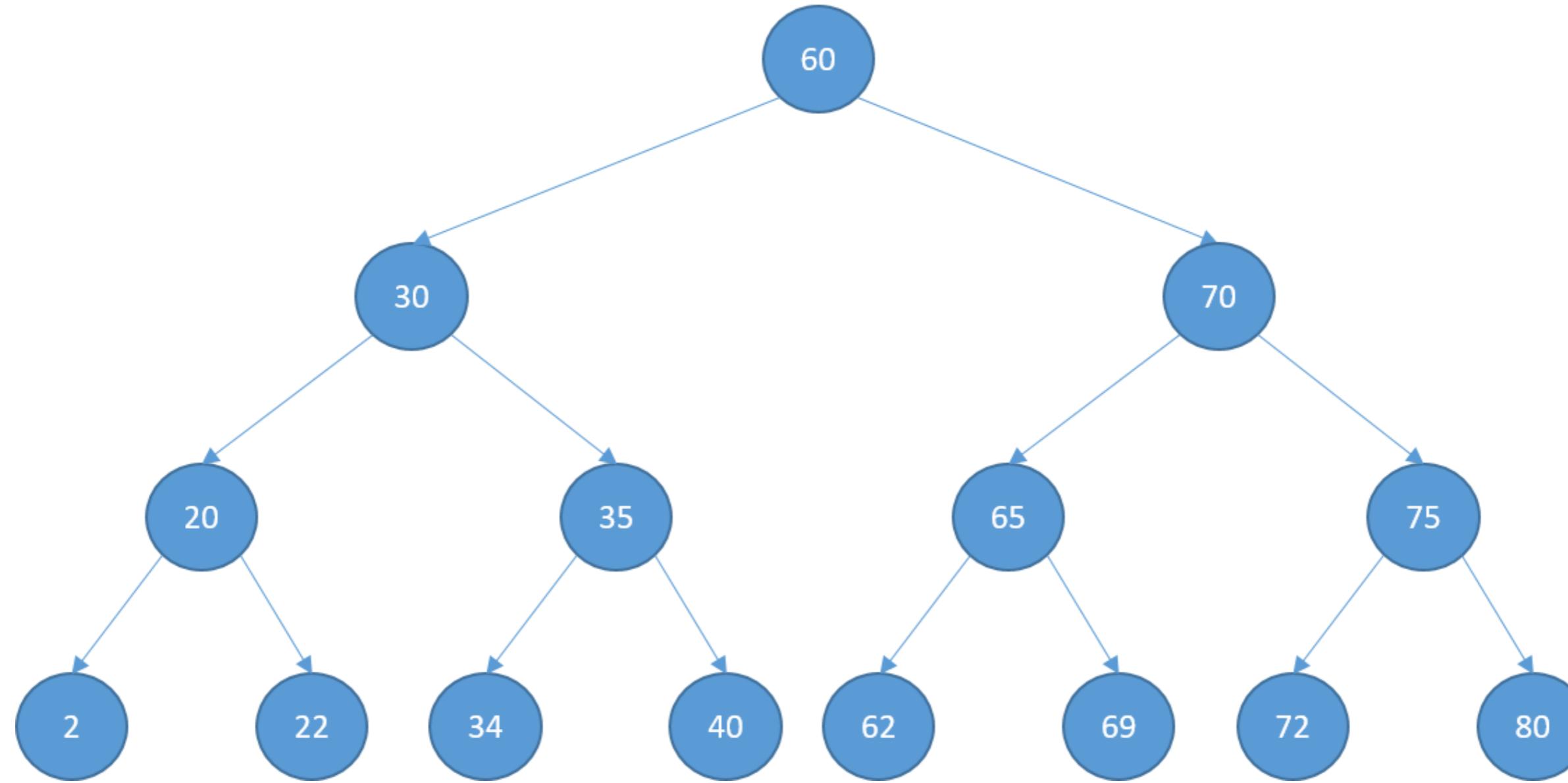
# Implementation

```
class TreeNode:  
    def __init__(self, data, left=None, right=None):  
        self.data = data  
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class BinarySearchTree:  
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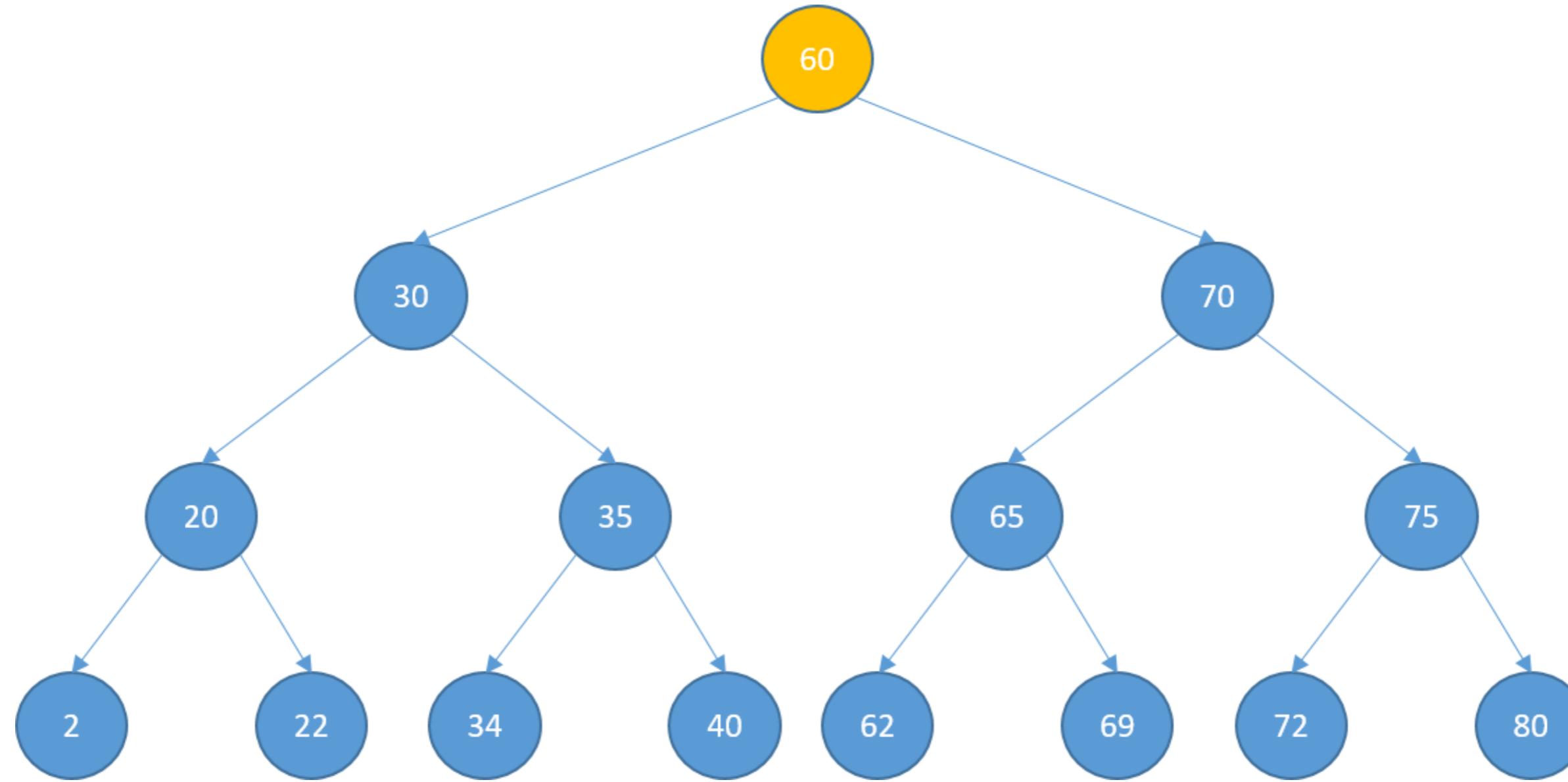
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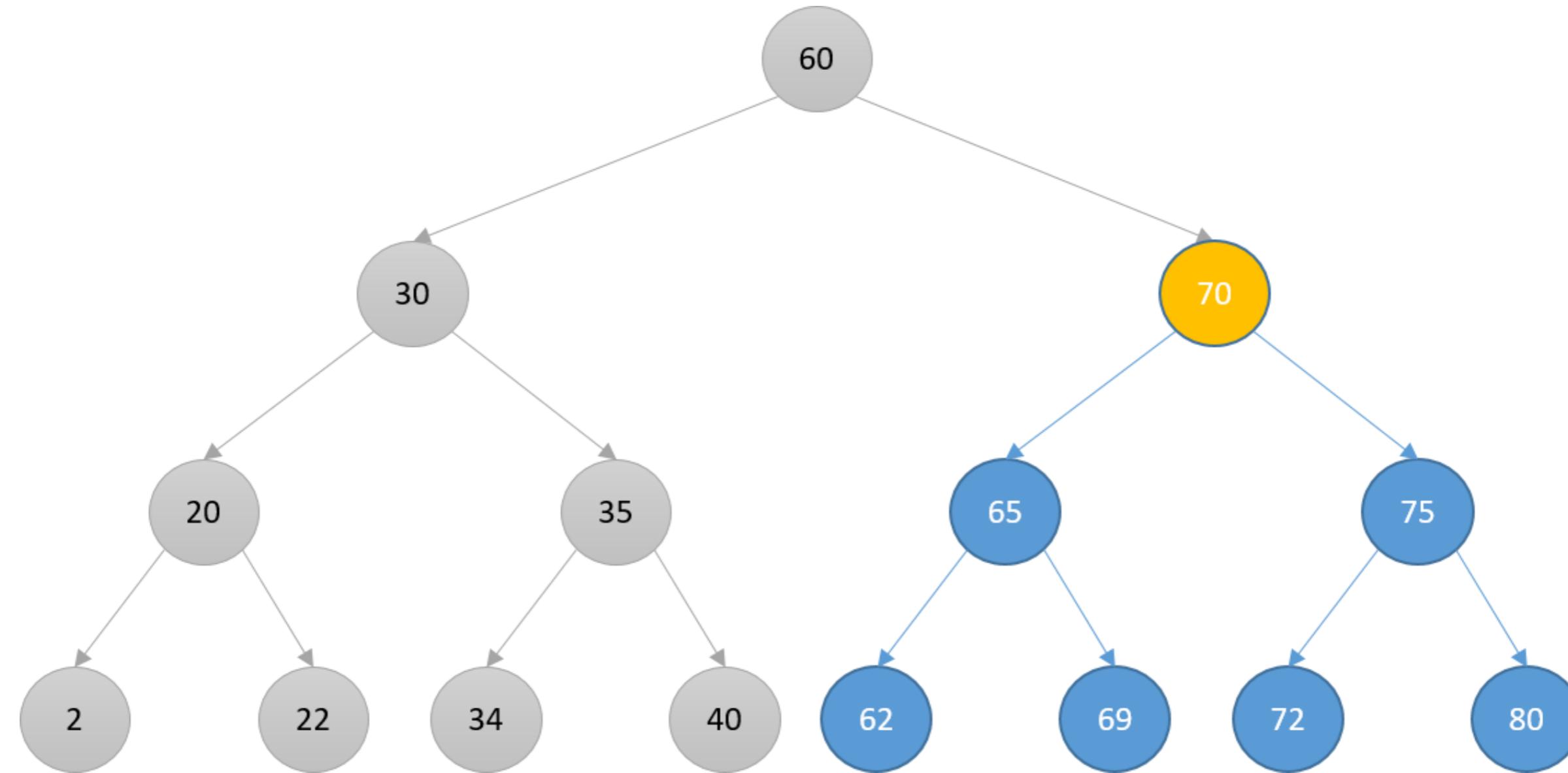
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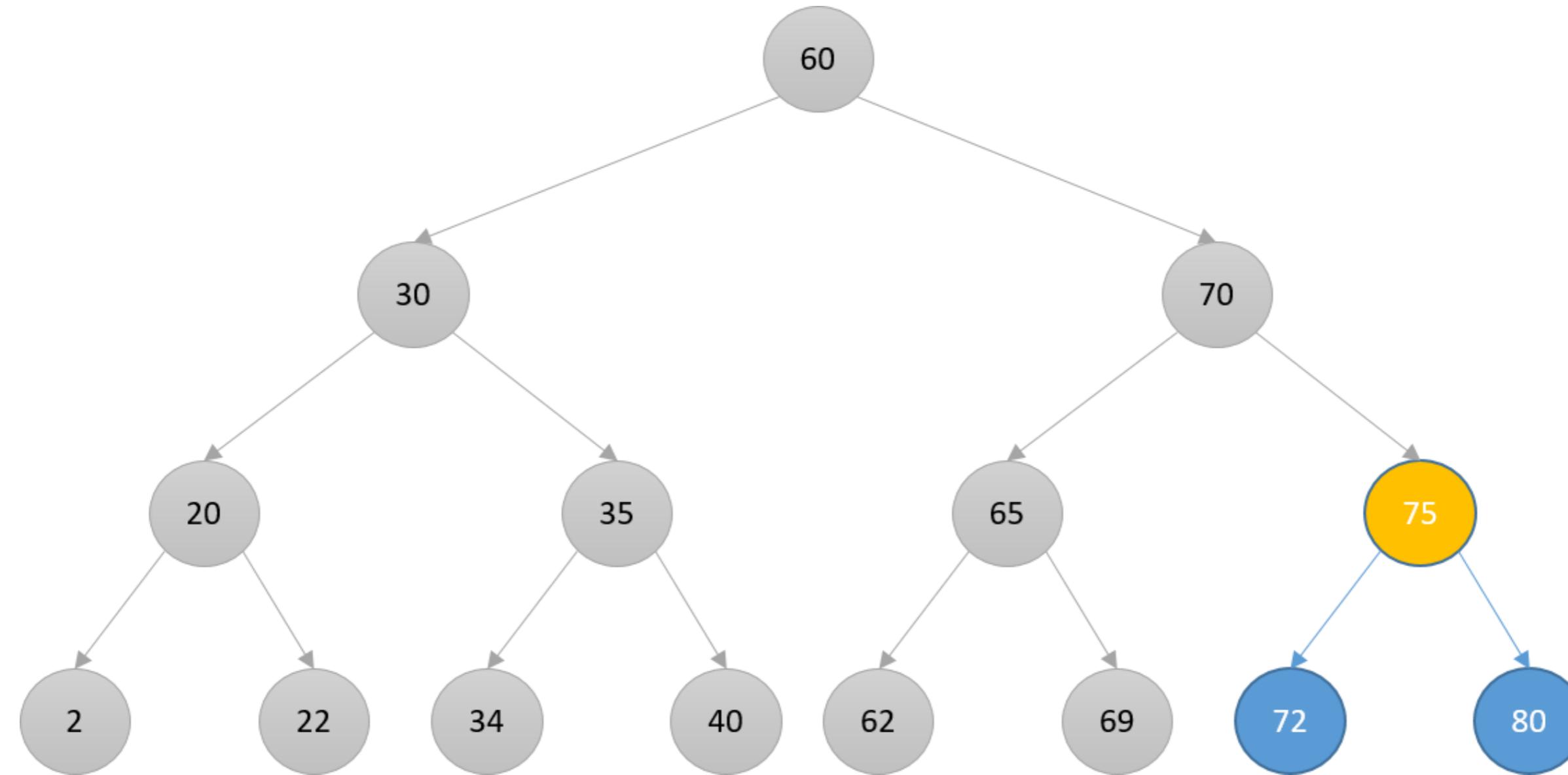
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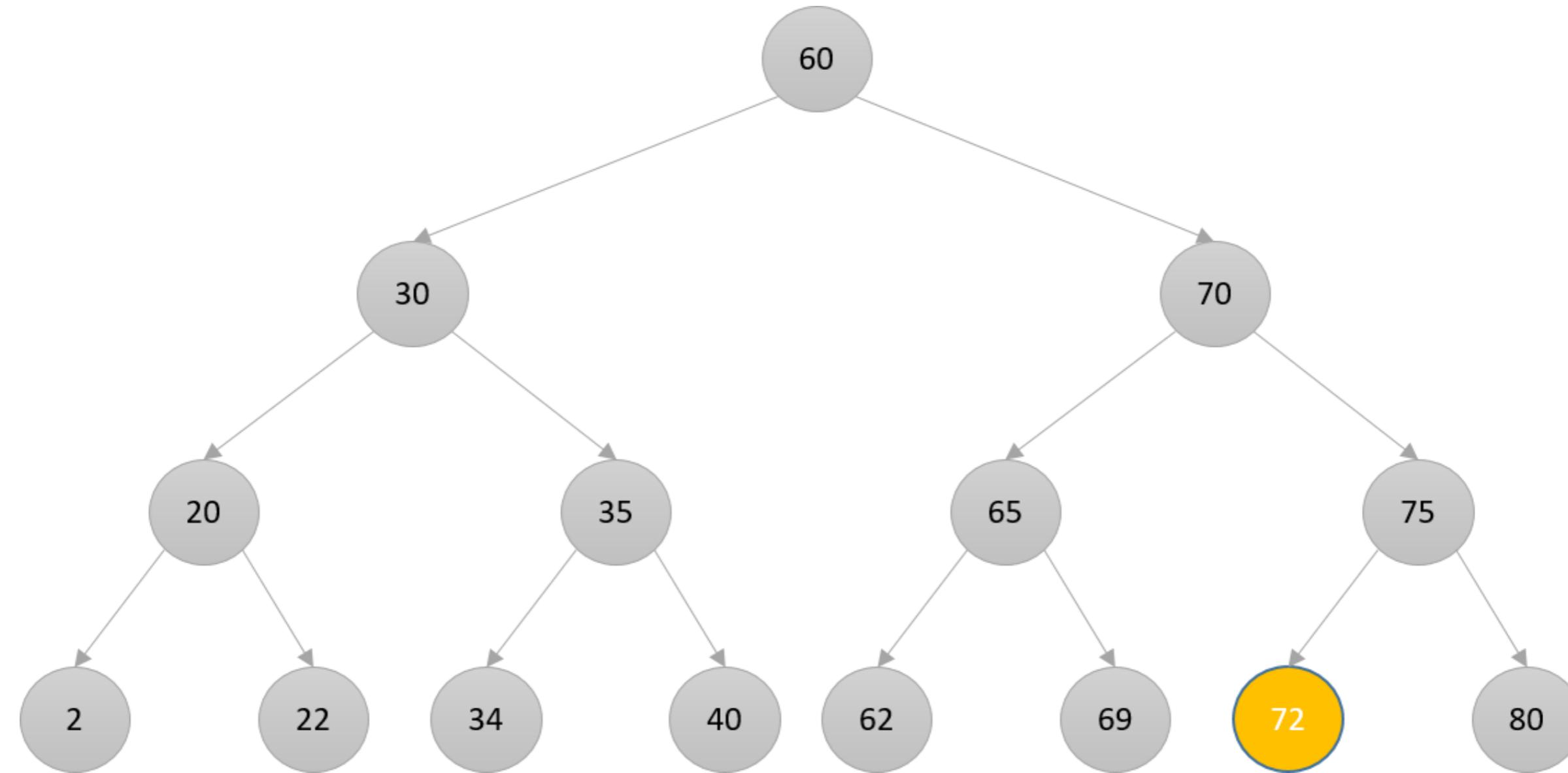
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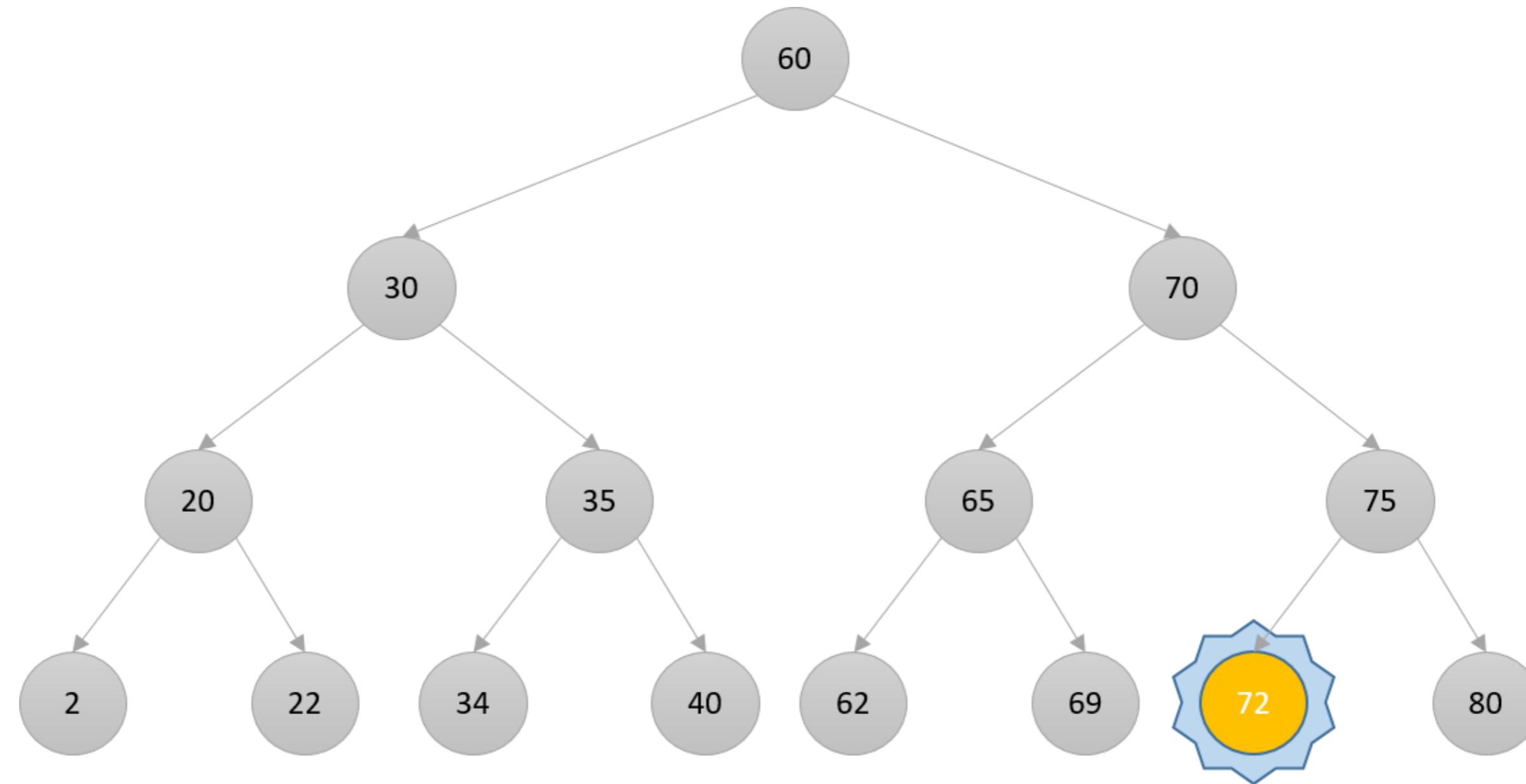
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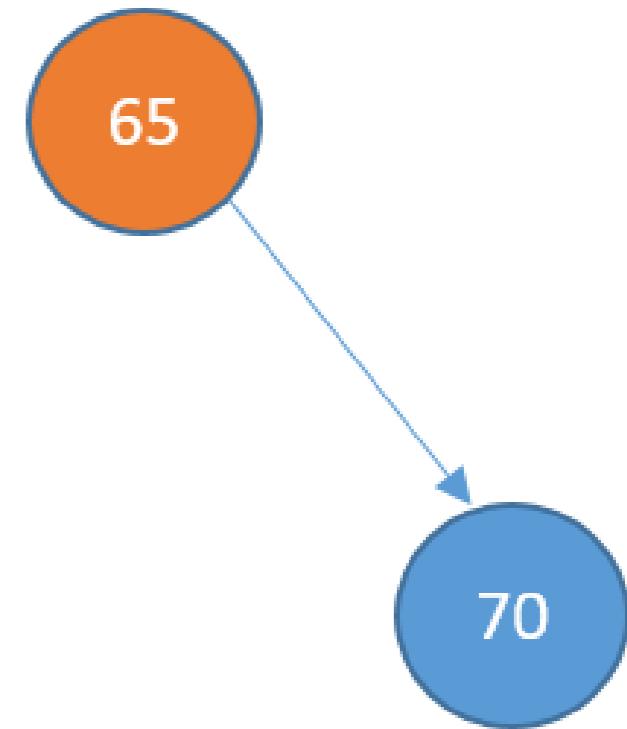
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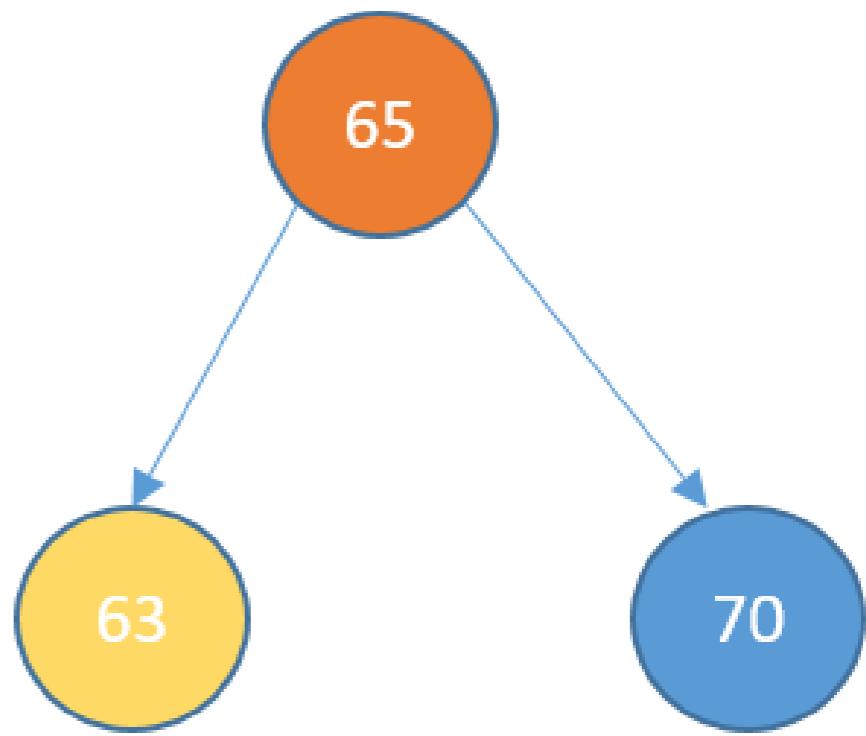


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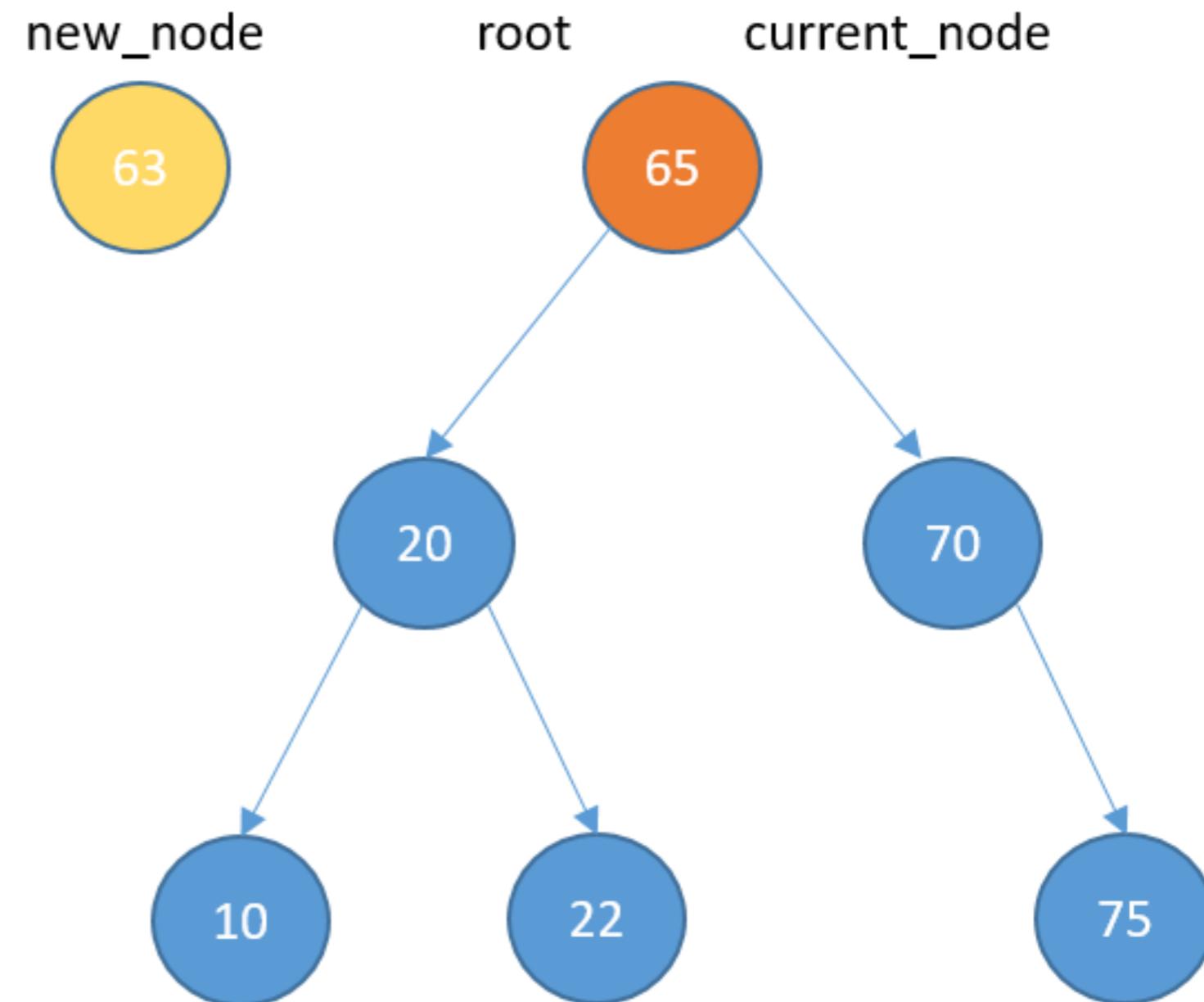
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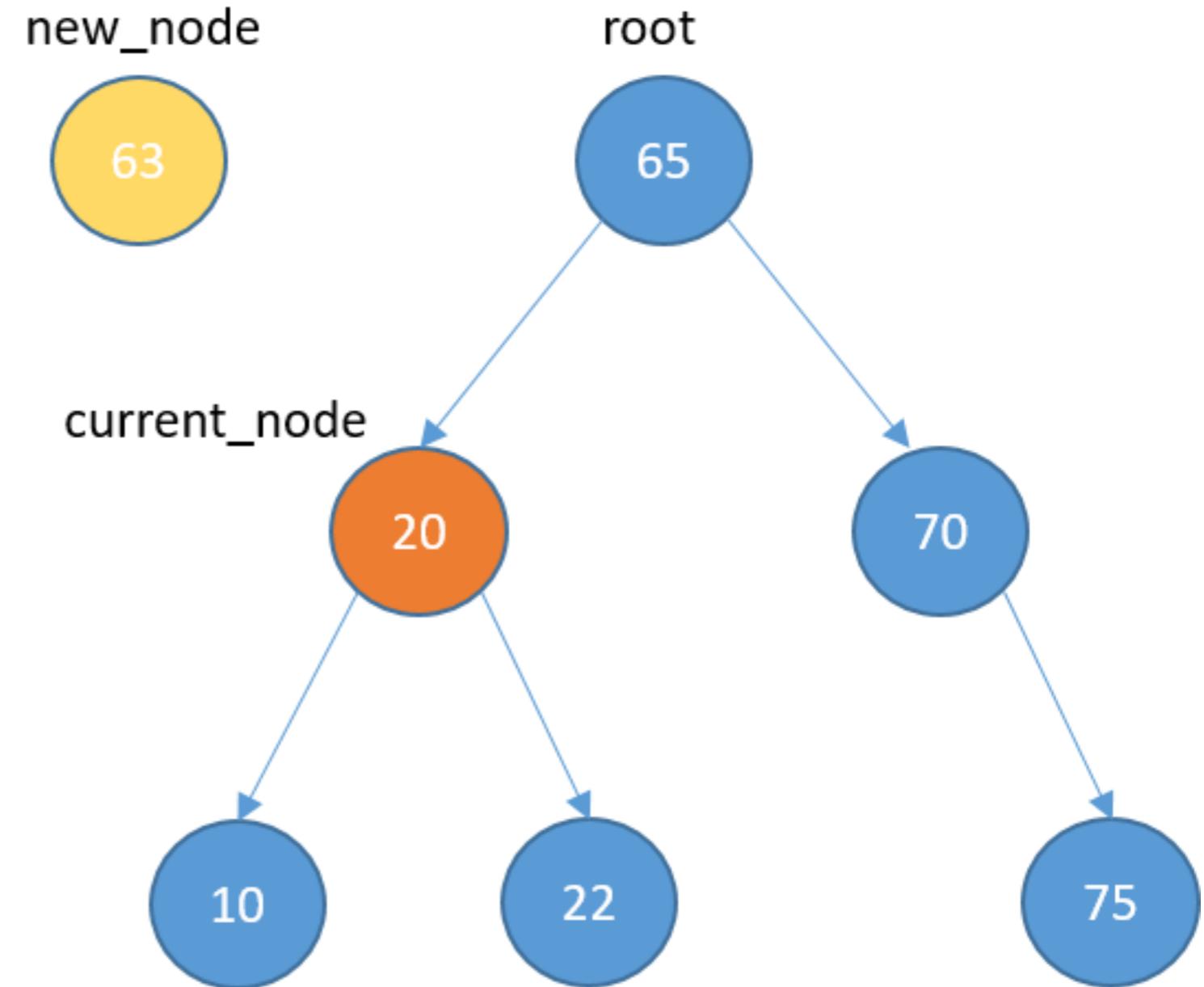
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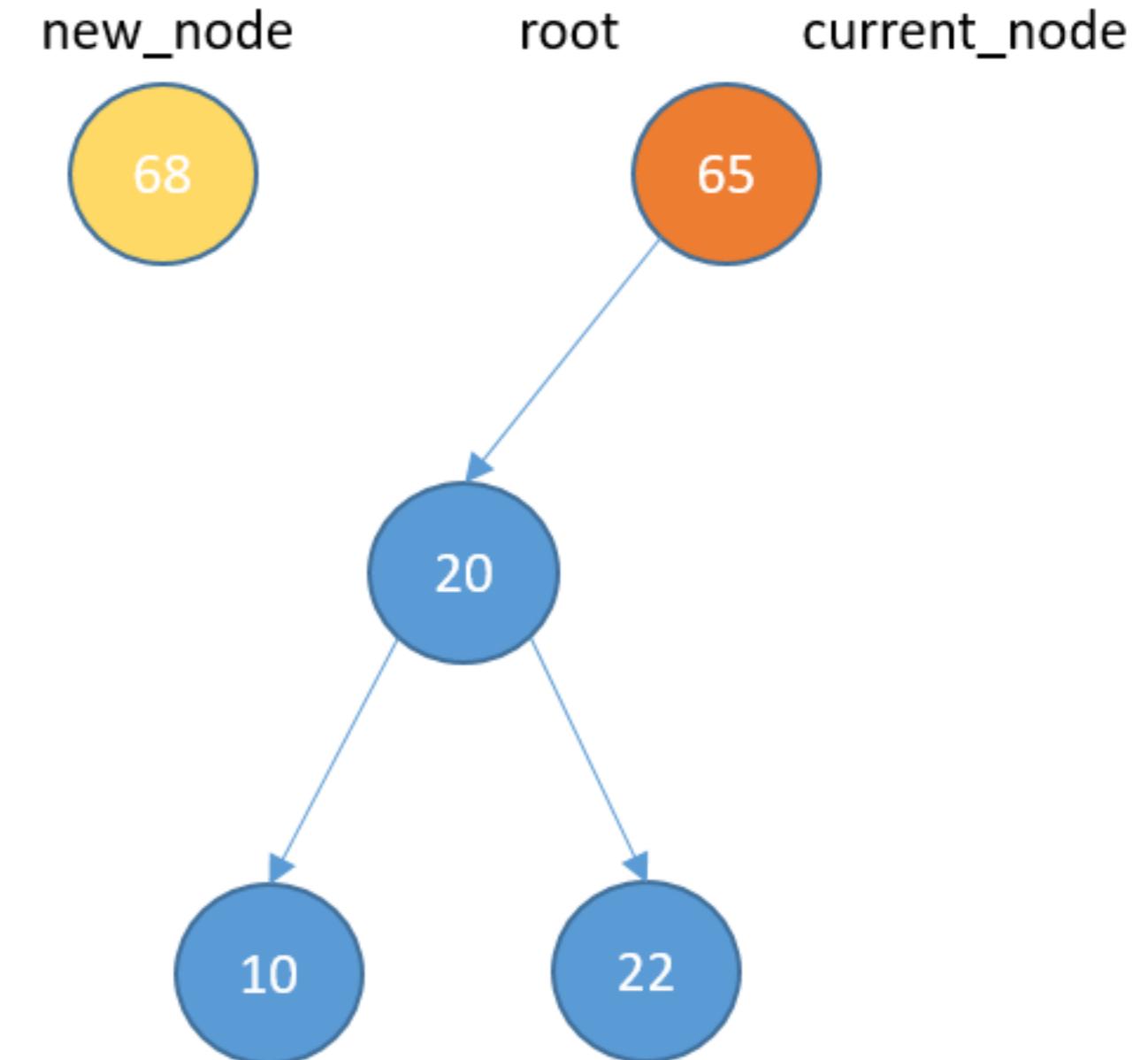
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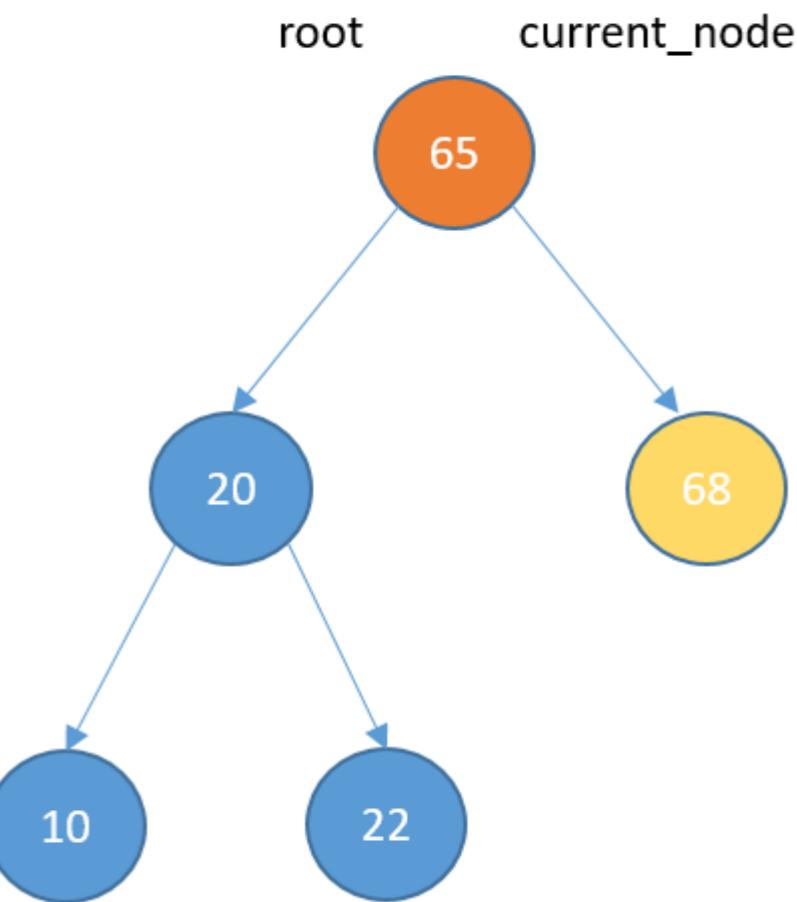
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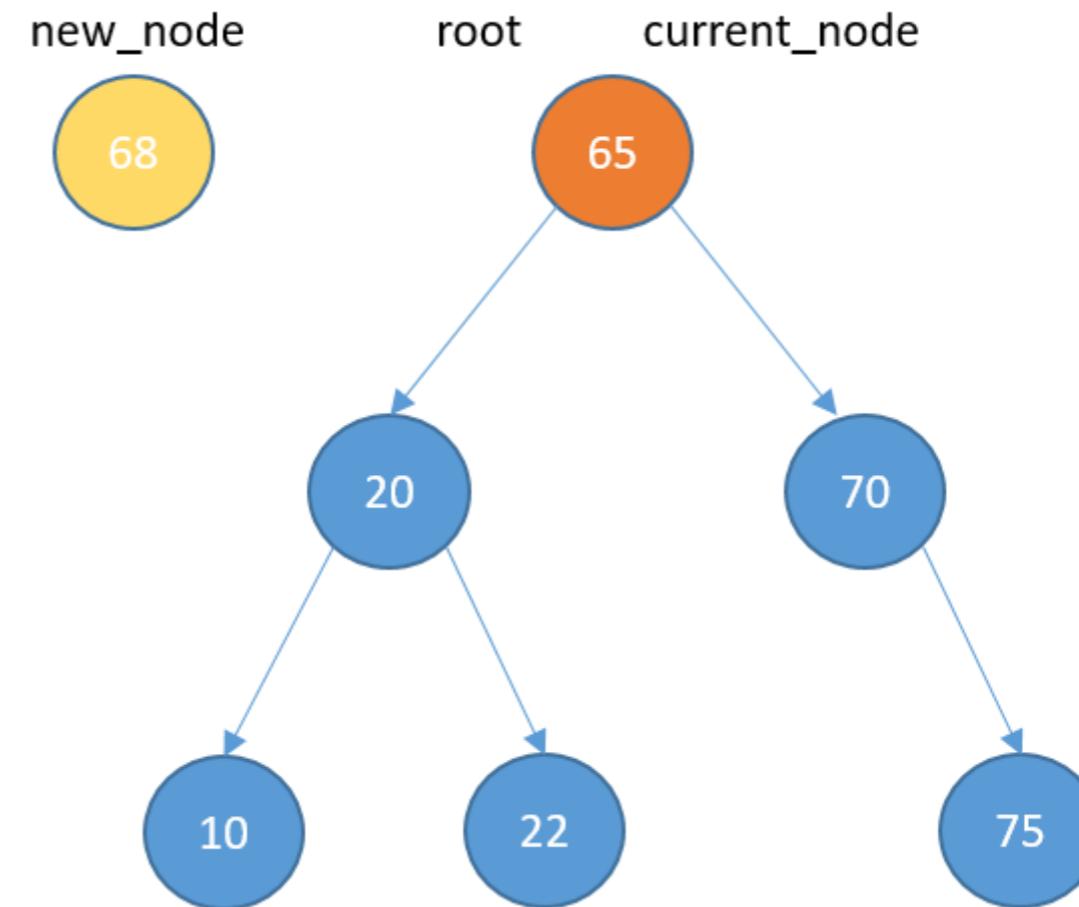
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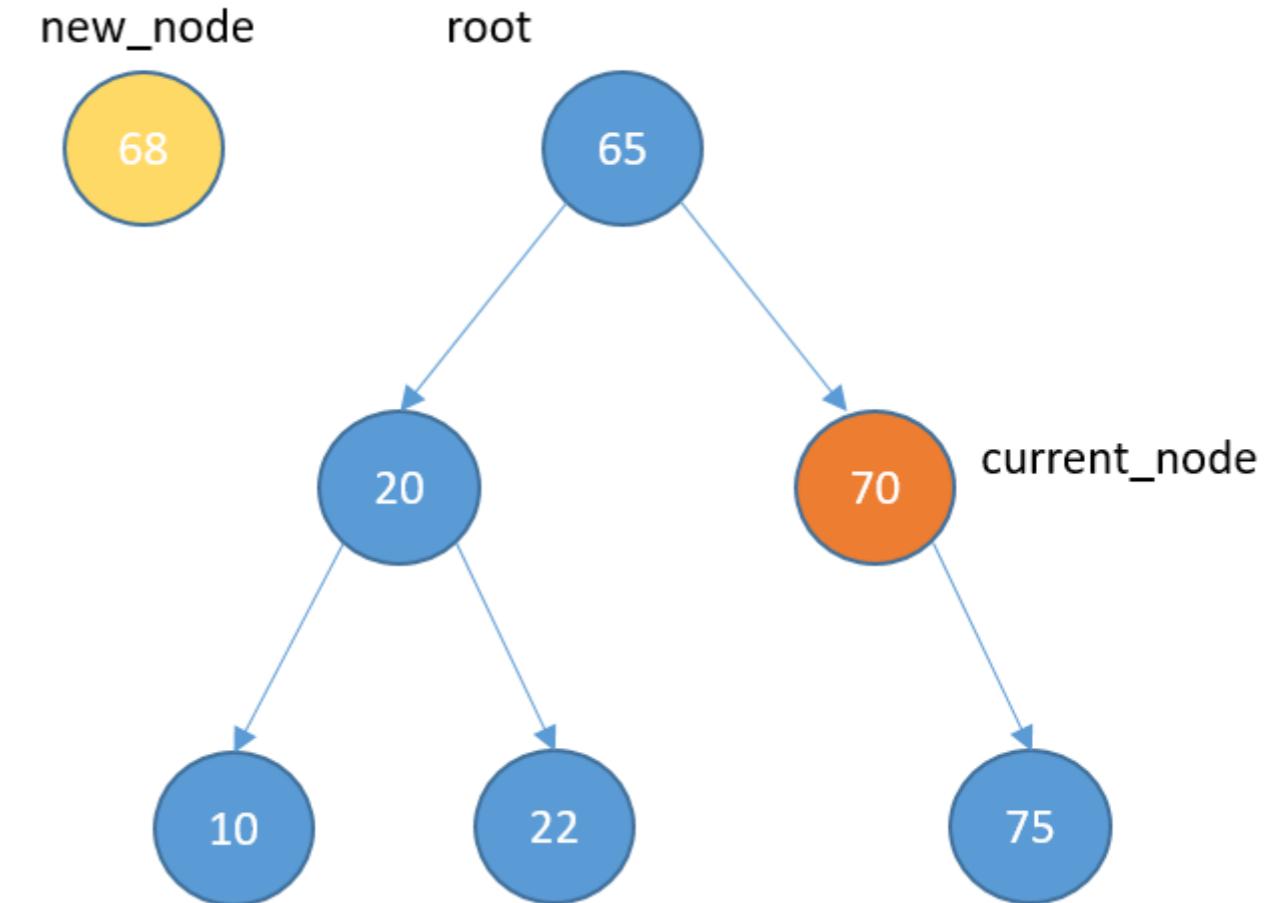
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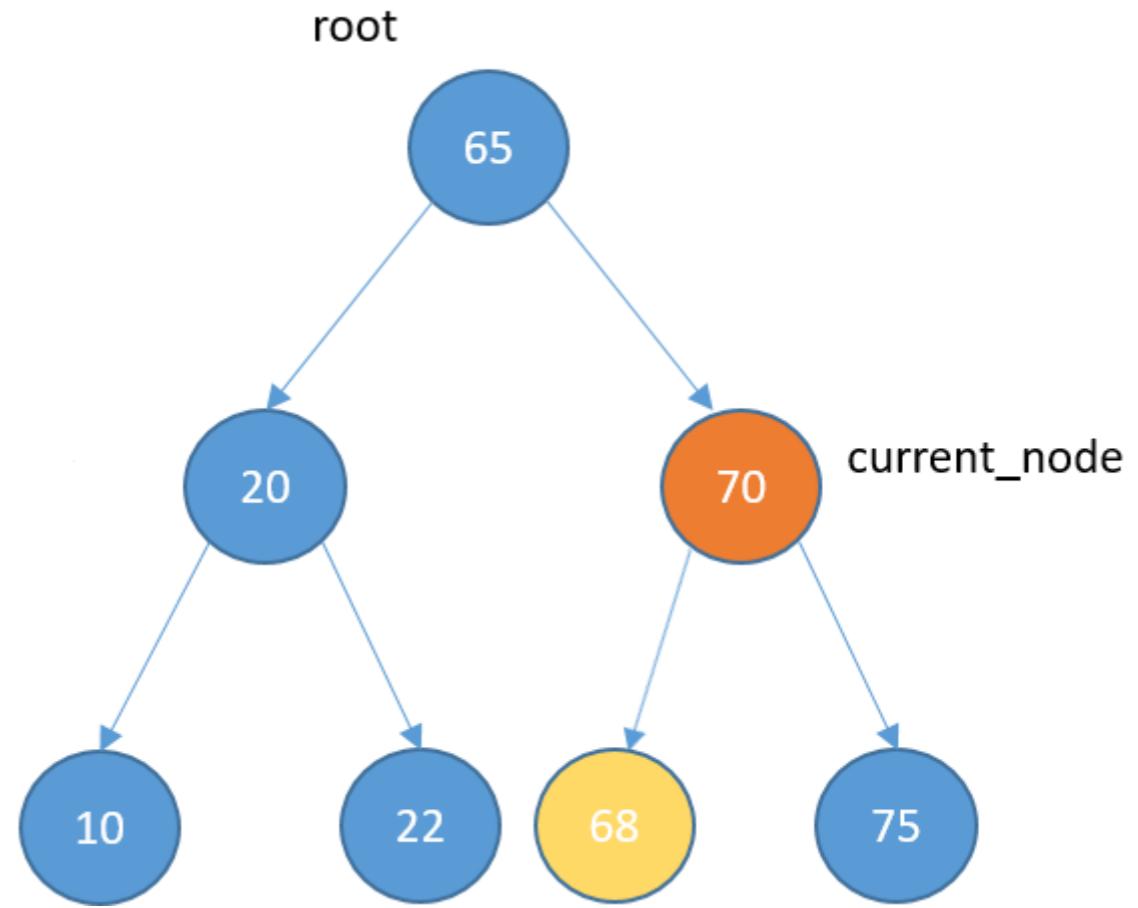
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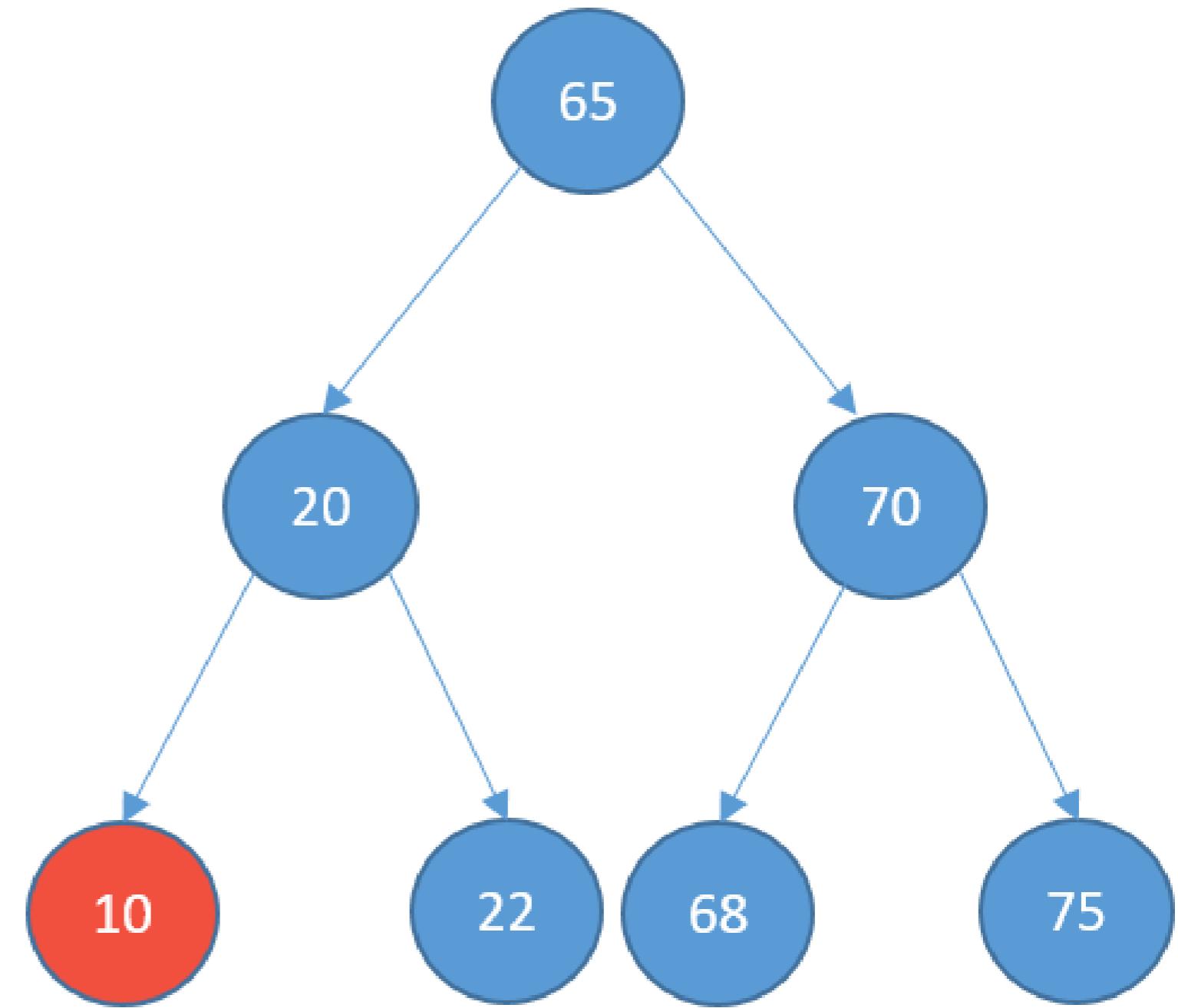
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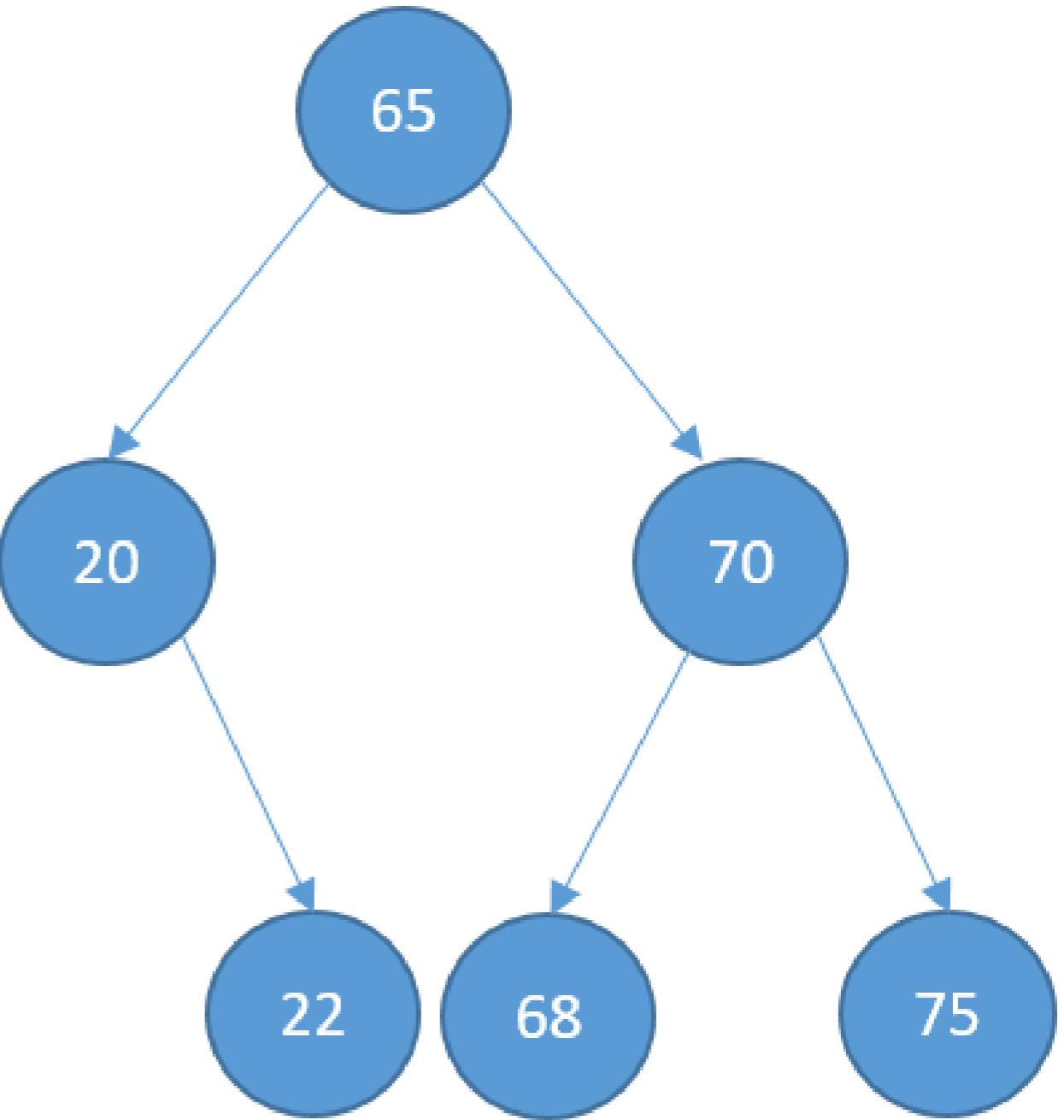
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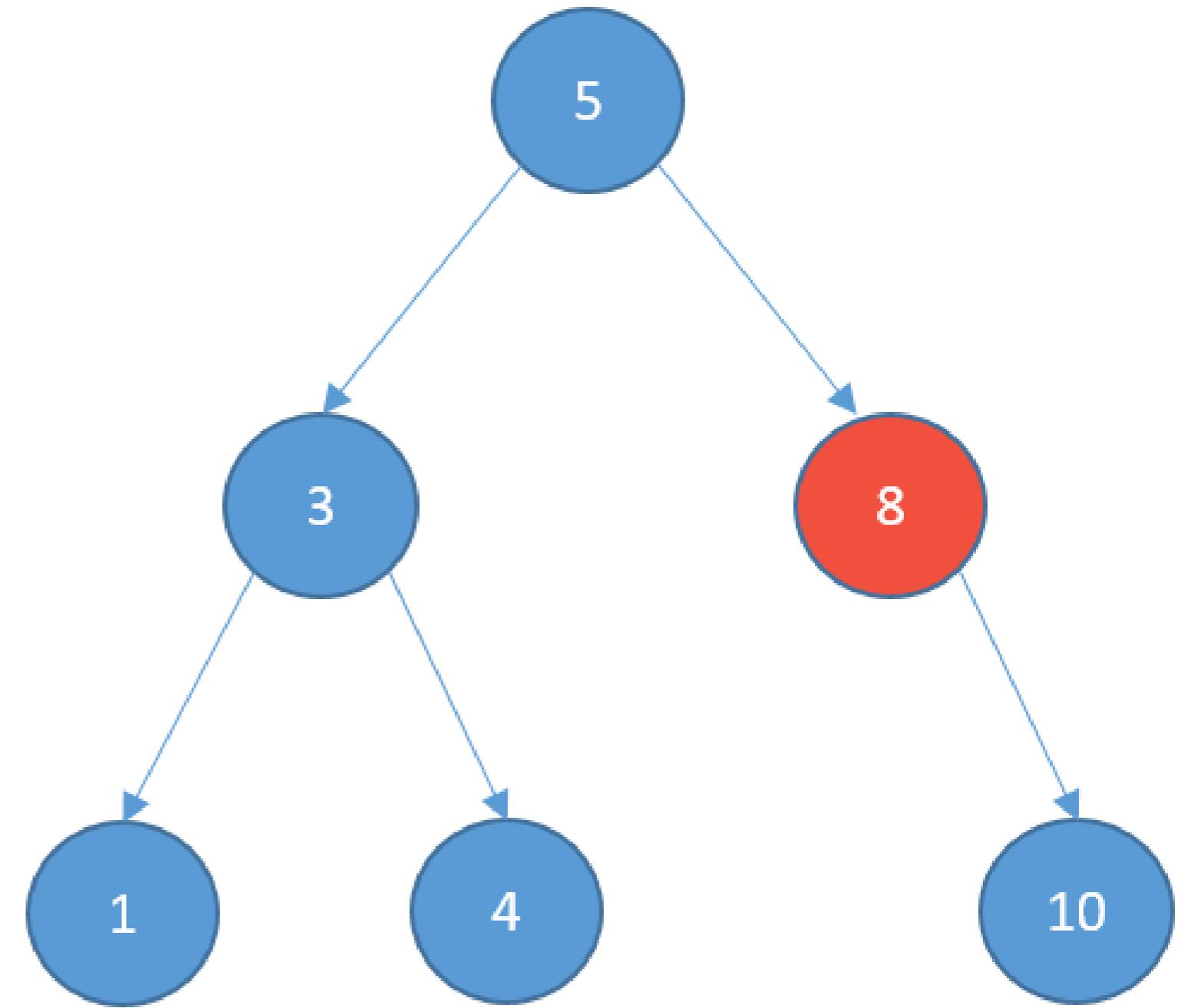
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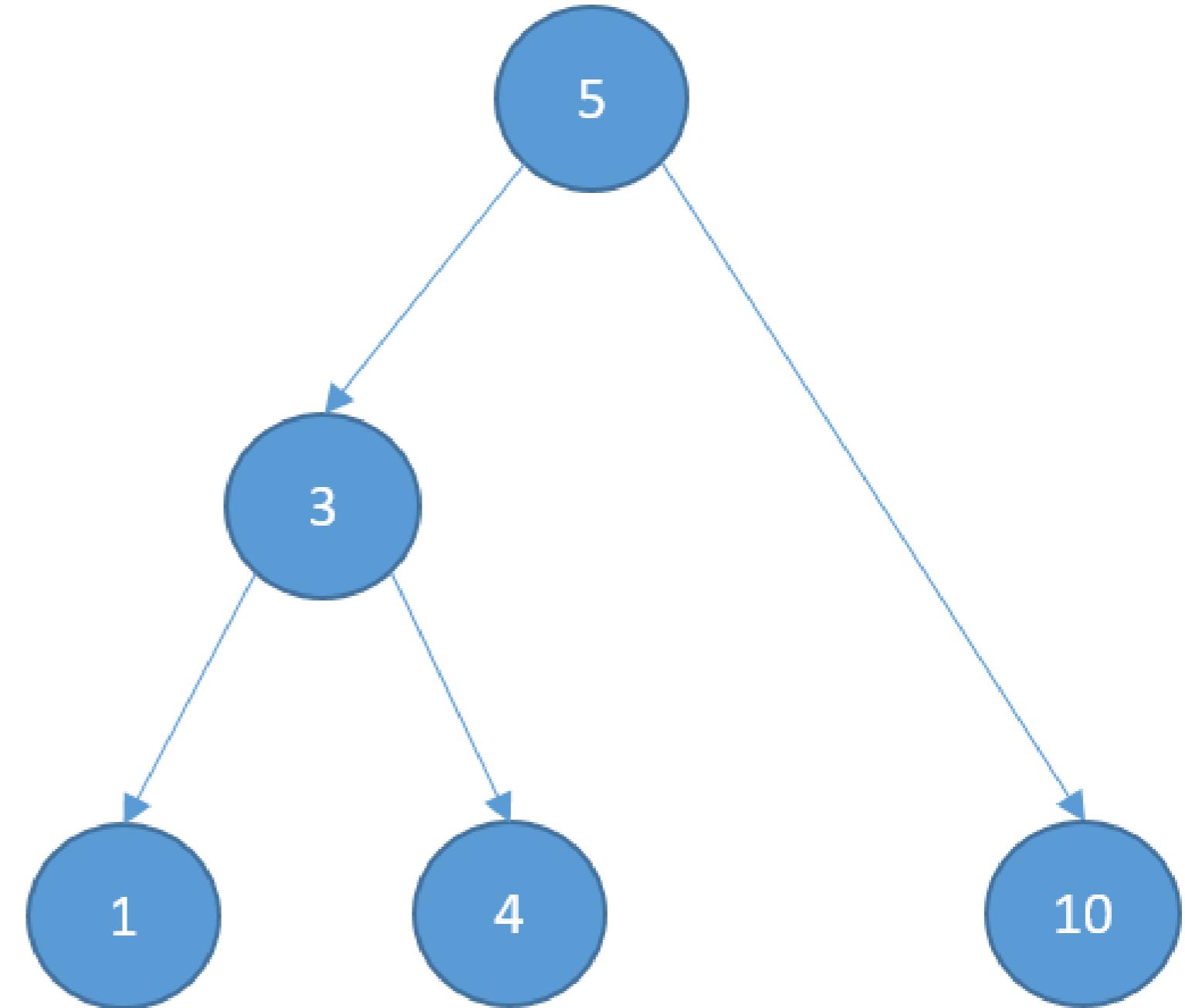
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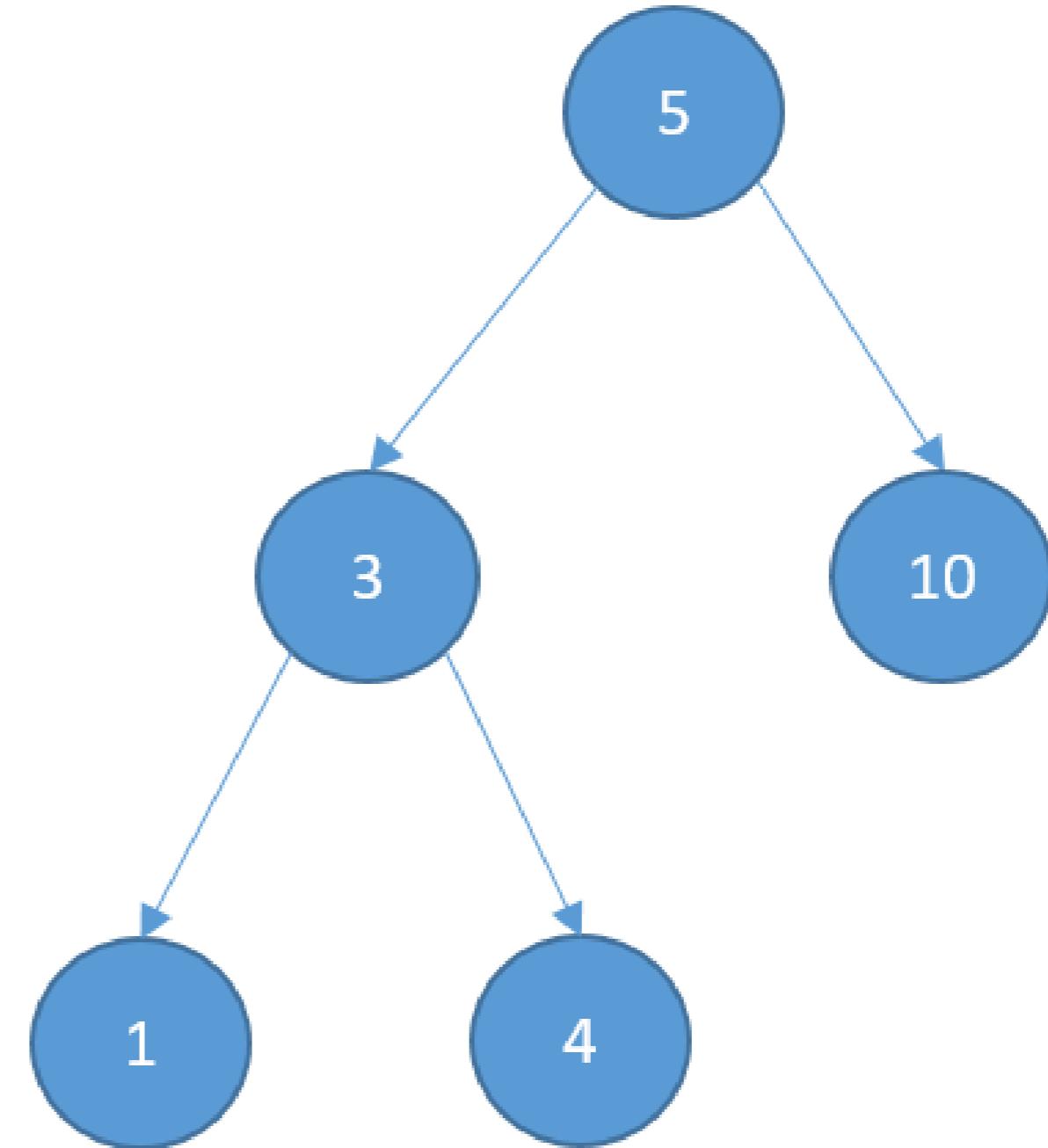
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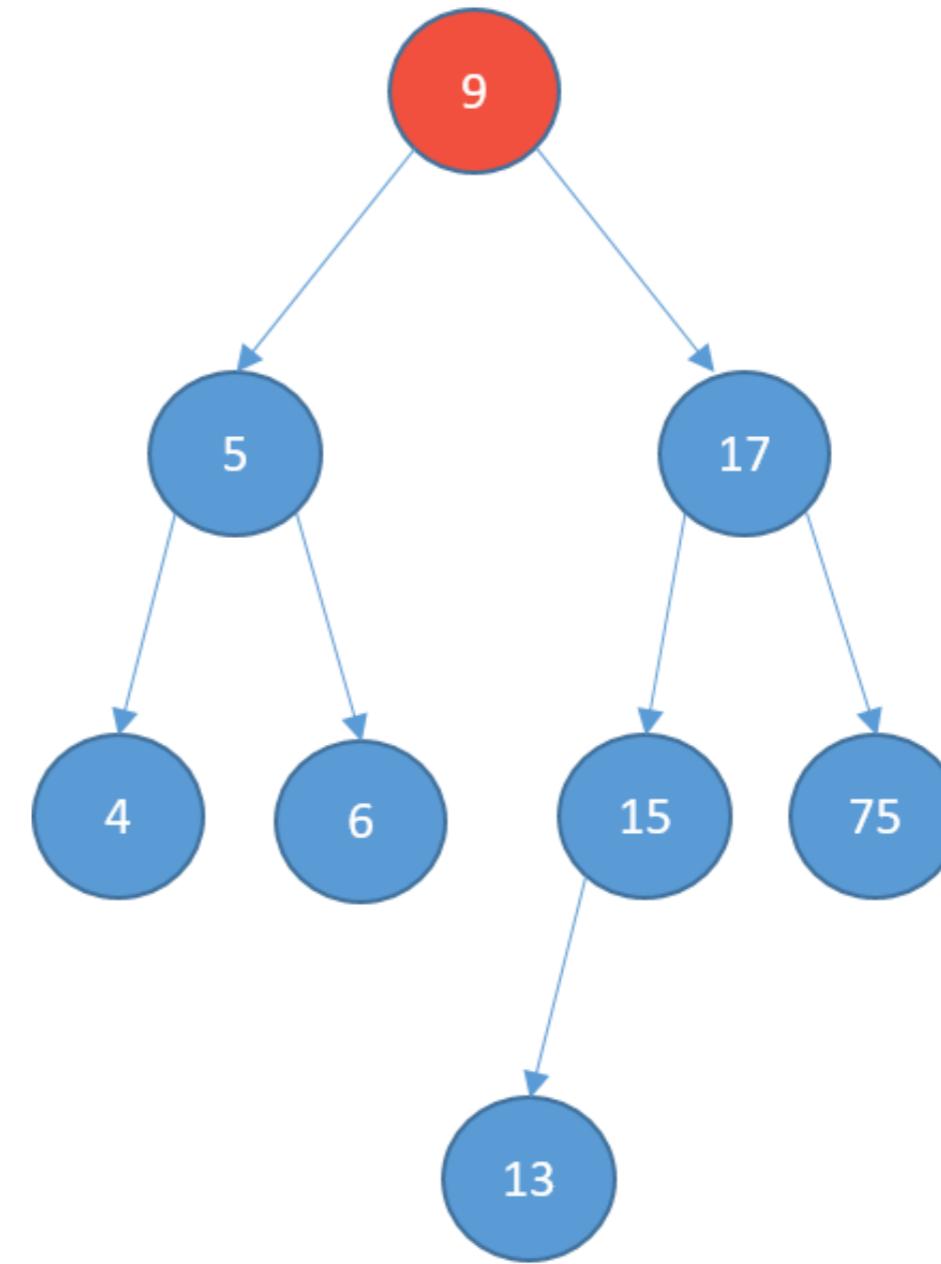
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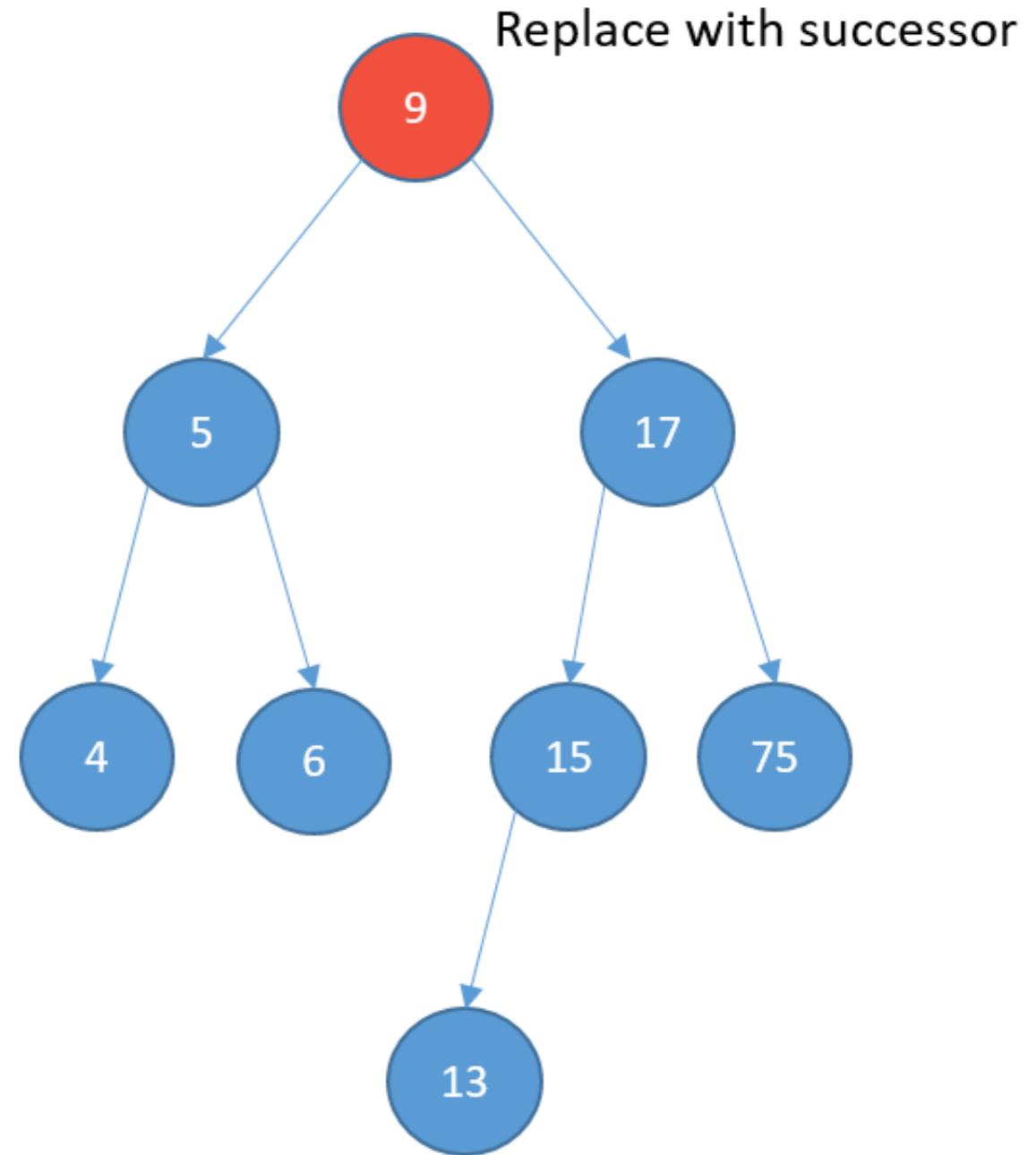
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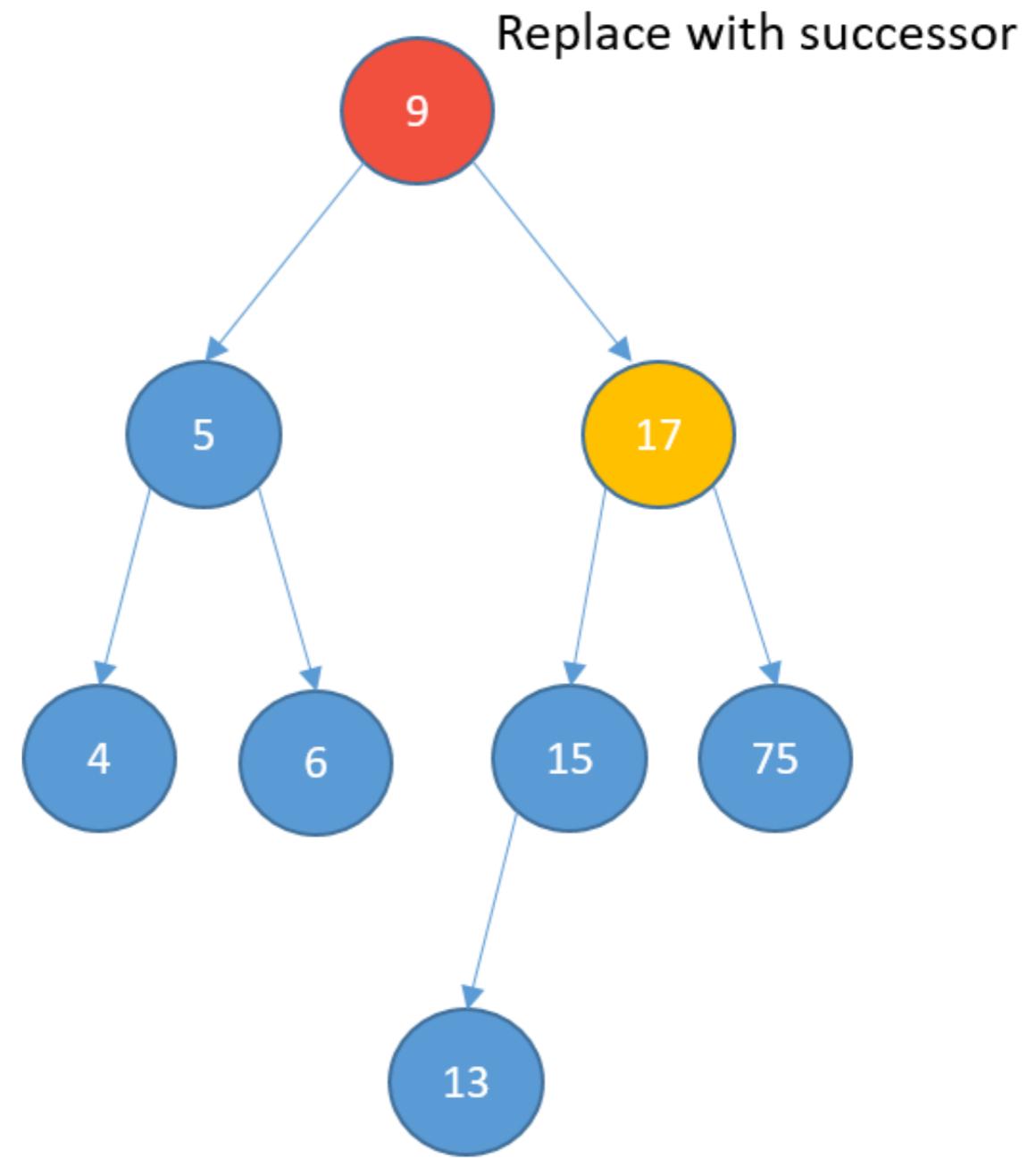
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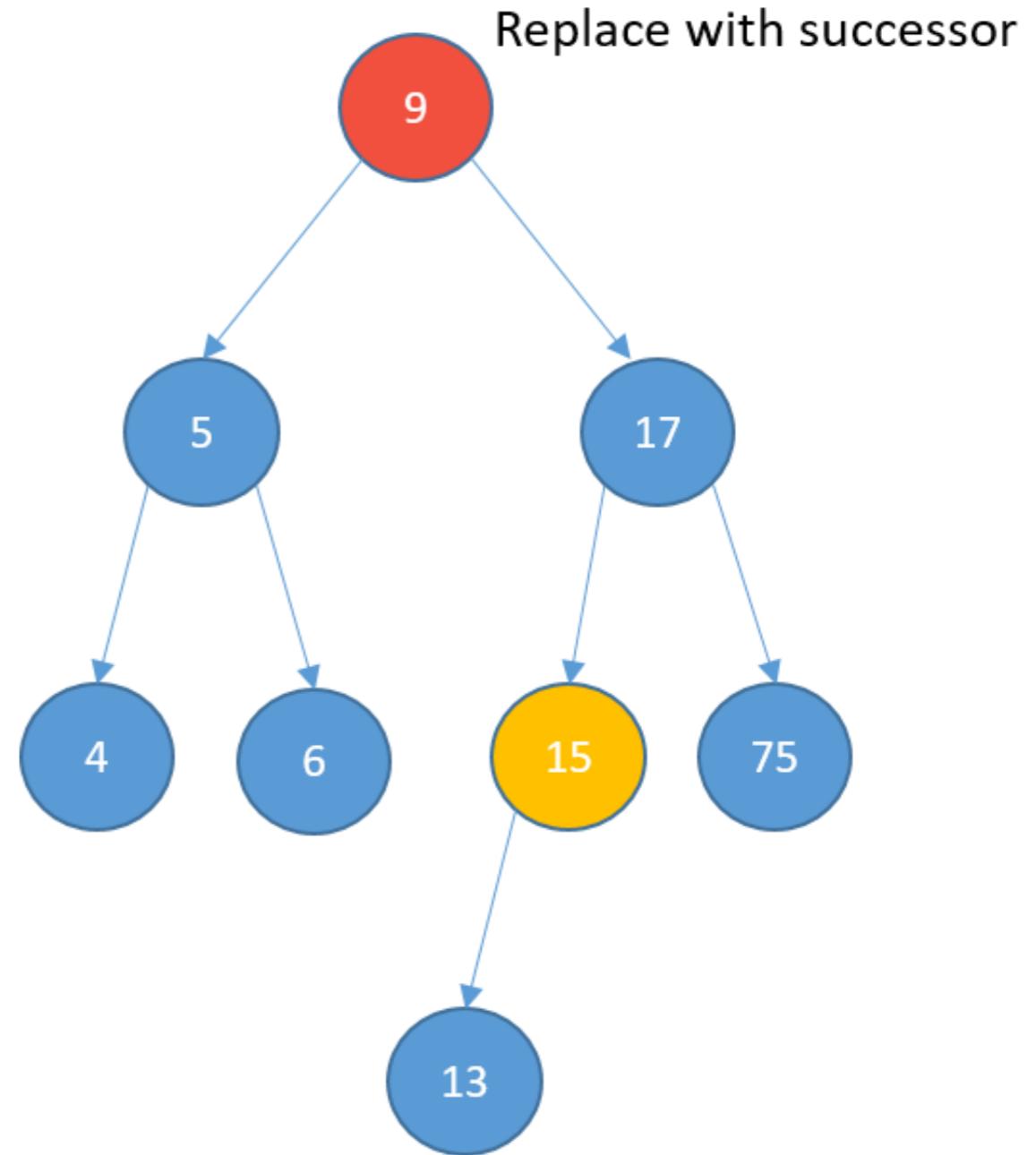
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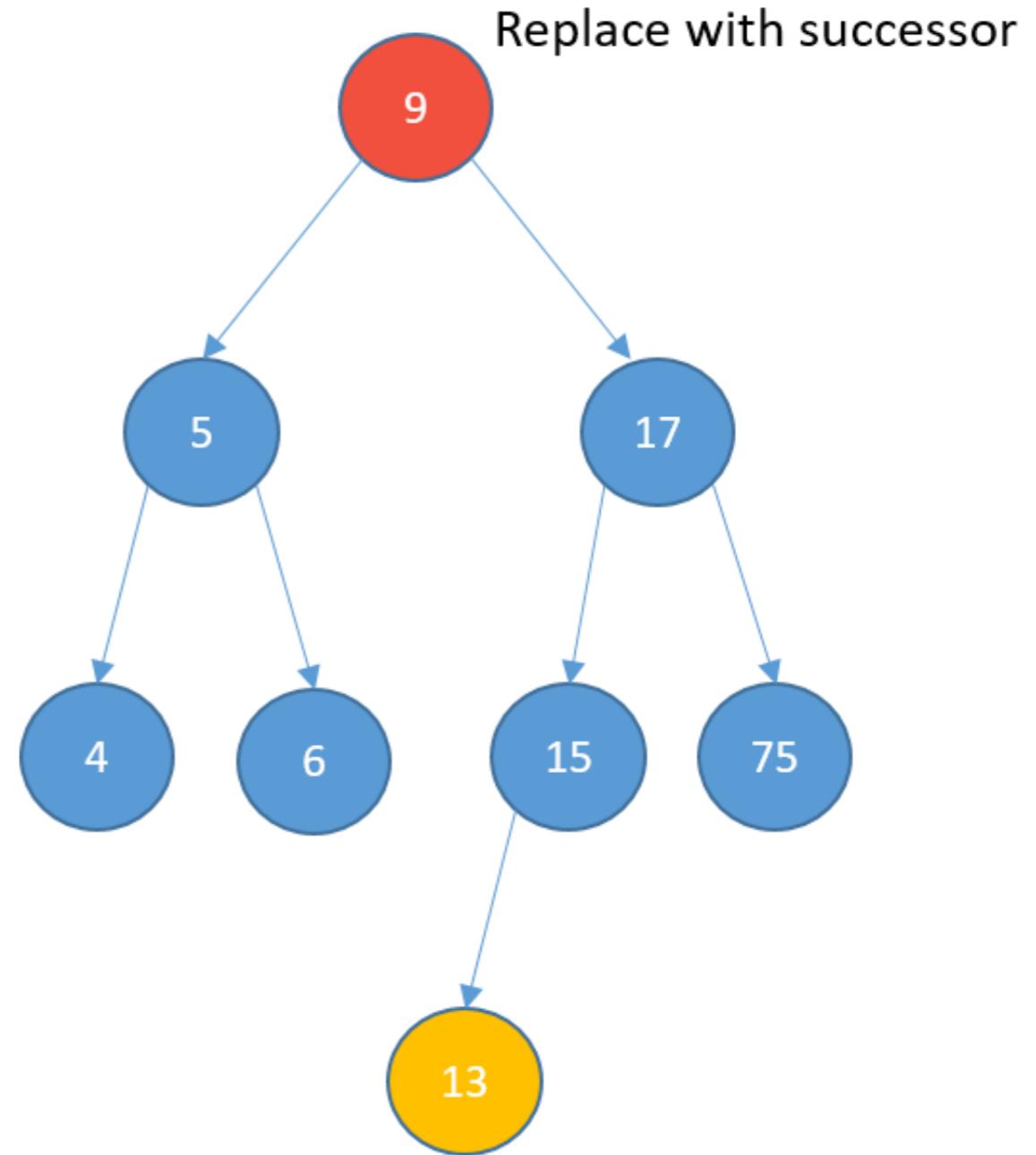
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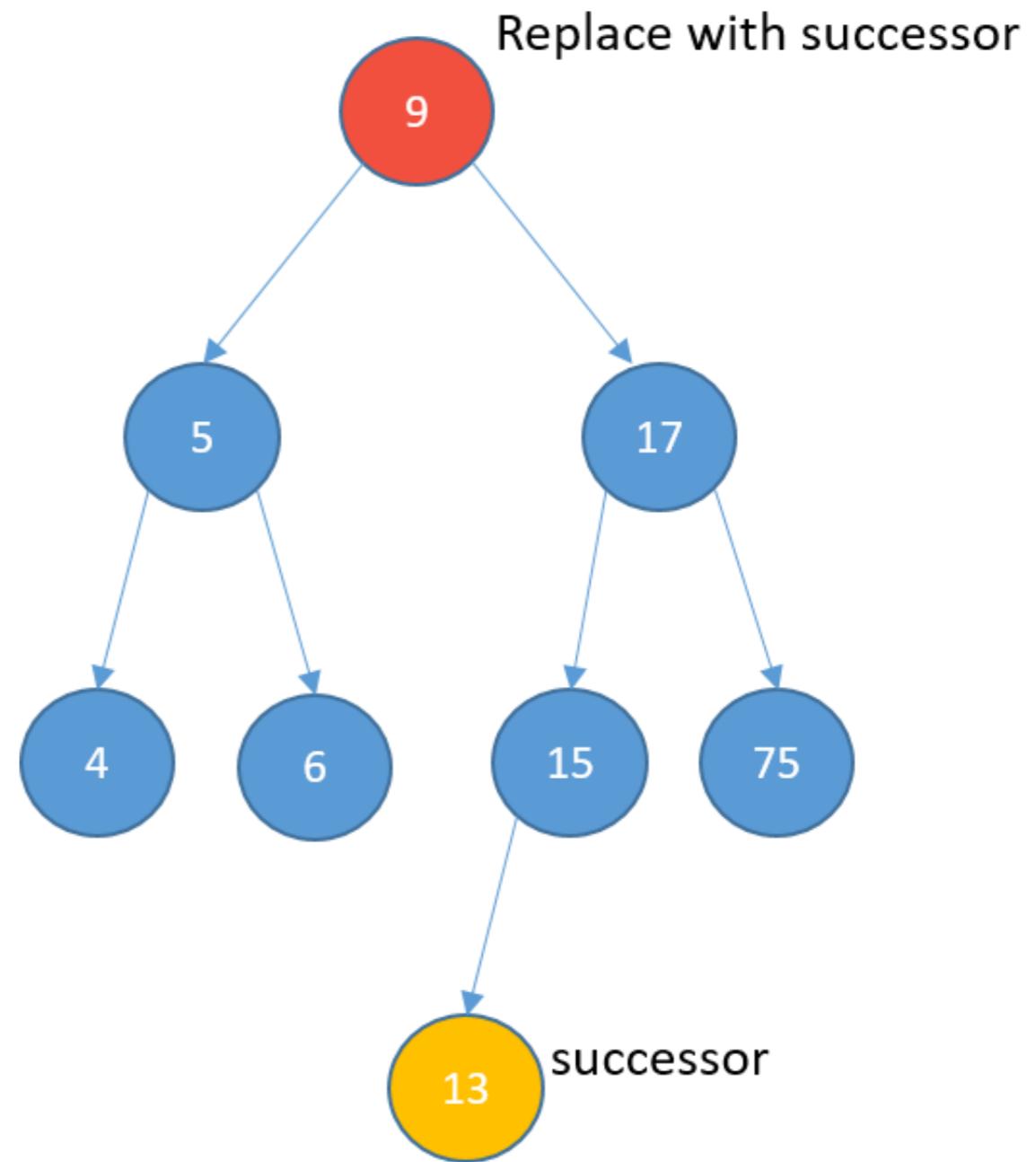
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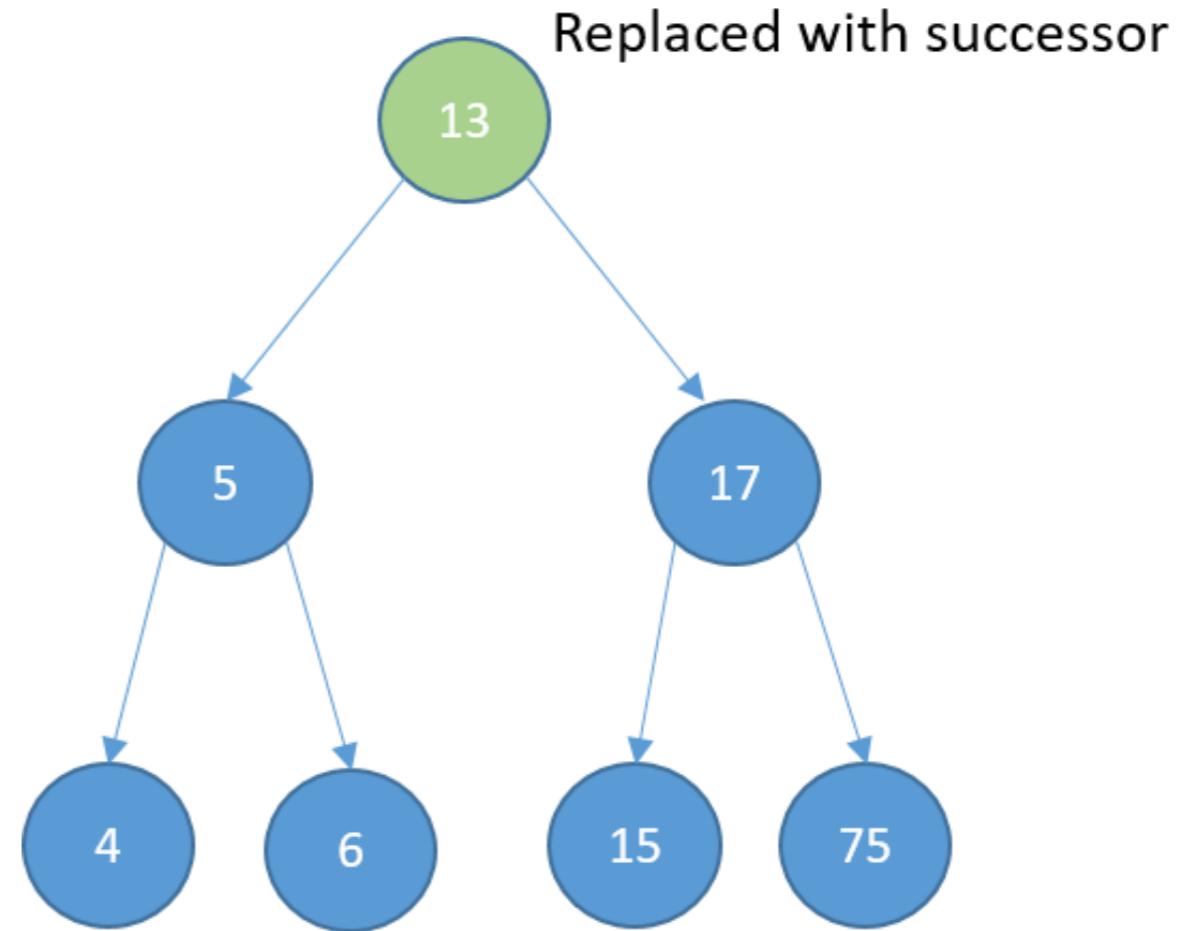
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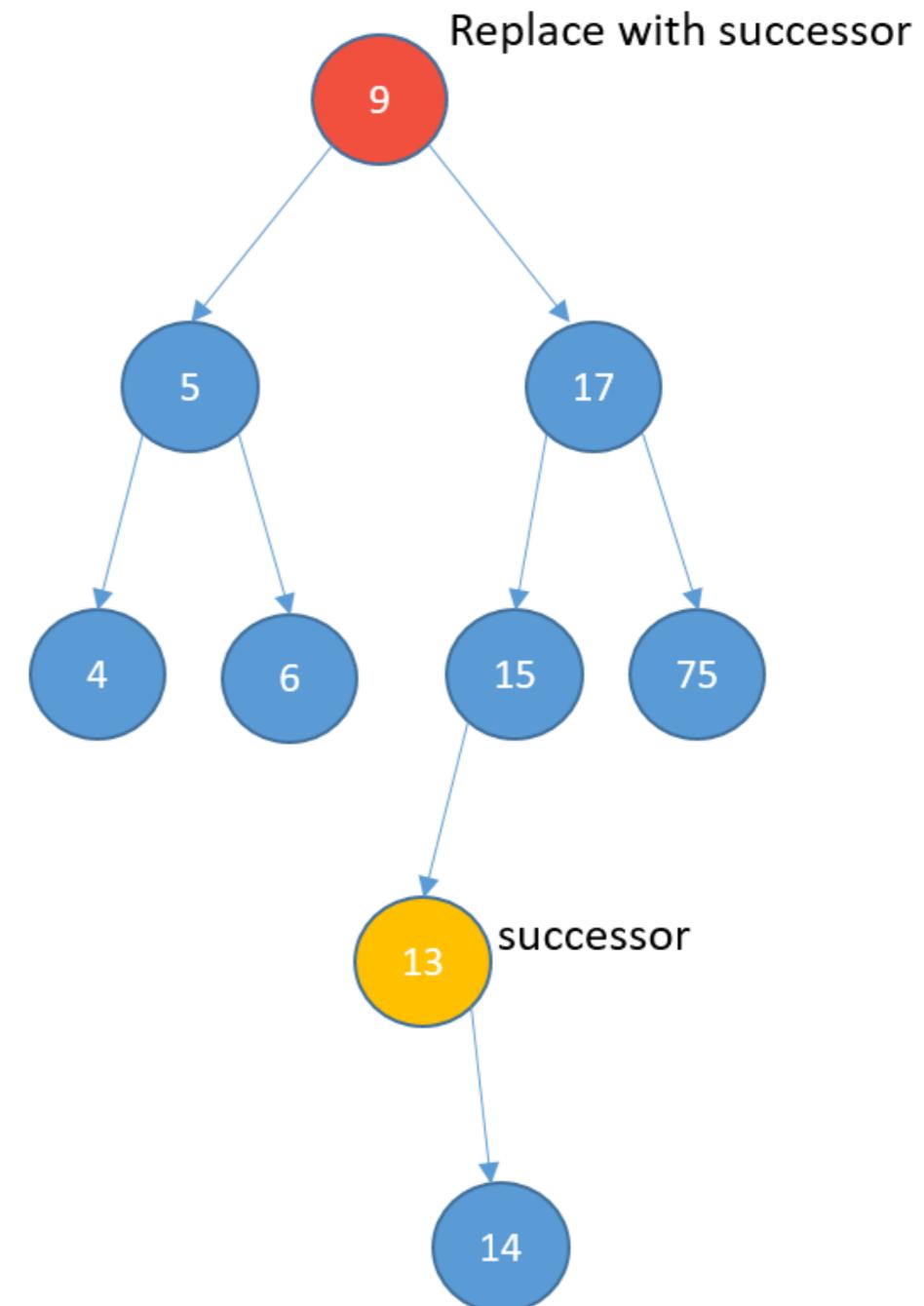
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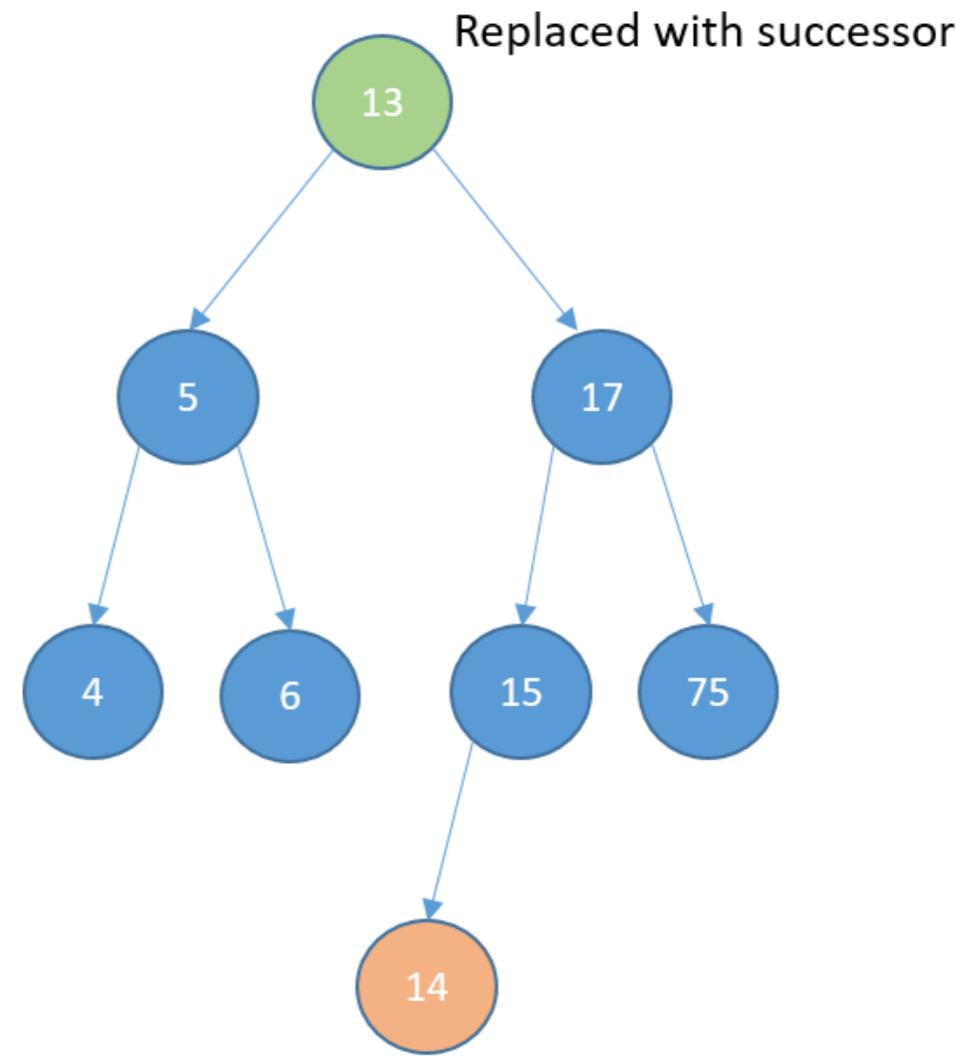
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      - child becomes the left child of successor's parent.



# Uses

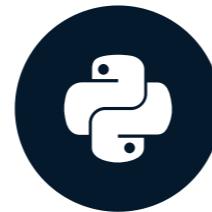
- Order lists efficiently
- Much faster at searching than arrays and linked lists
- Much faster at inserting and deleting than arrays
- Used to implement more advanced data structures:
  - dynamic sets
  - lookup tables
  - priority queues

# **Let's practice!**

**DATA STRUCTURES AND ALGORITHMS IN PYTHON**

# Depth First Search (DFS)

DATA STRUCTURES AND ALGORITHMS IN PYTHON



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# Tree/graph traversal

- Process of visiting **all nodes**
- Depth first search (DFS)
- Breadth first search (BFS)

# Depth first search - binary trees

- In-order
- Pre-order
- Post-order

# In-order traversal

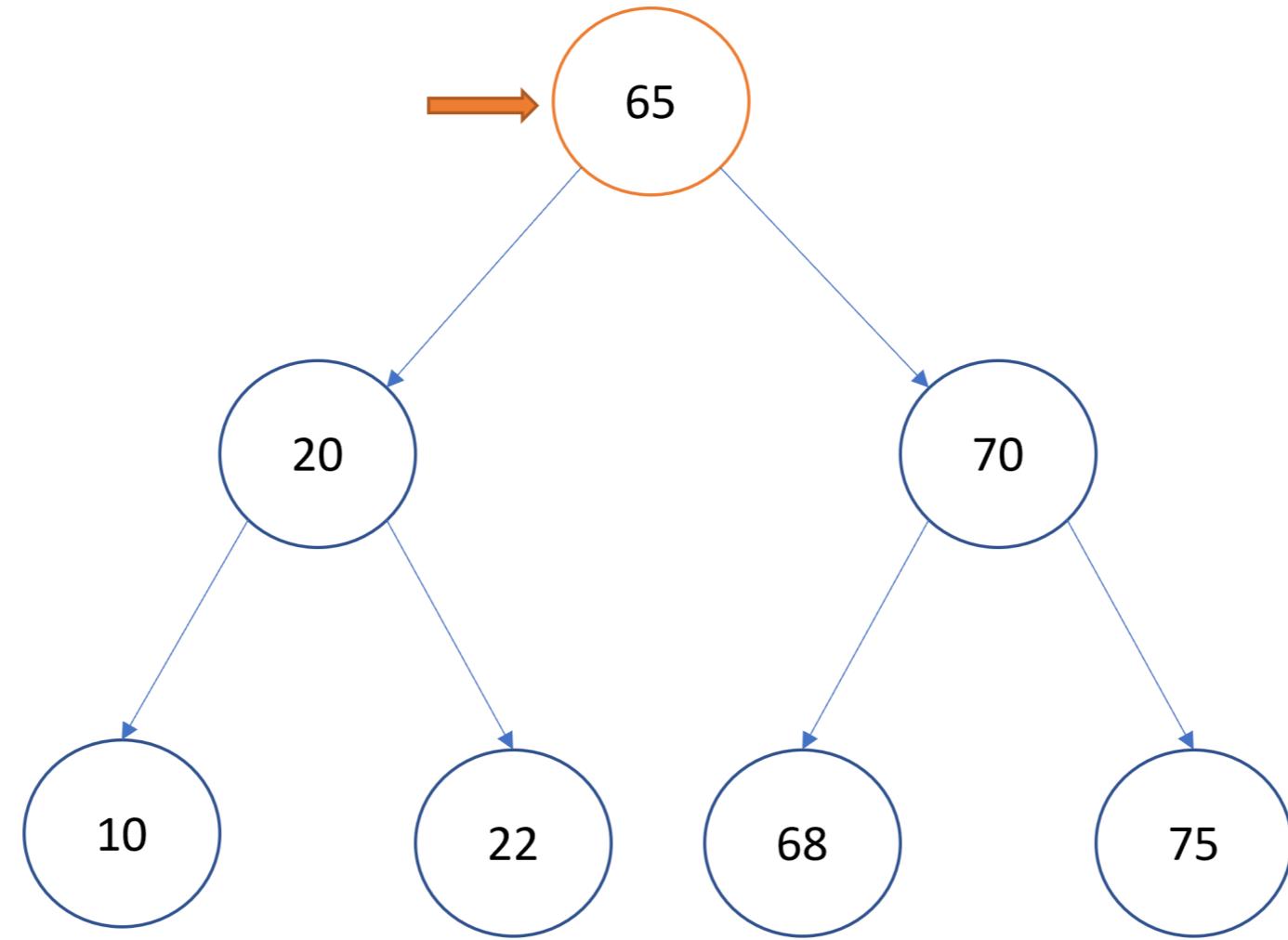
- Order: Left

# In-order traversal

- Order: Left -> Current

# In-order traversal

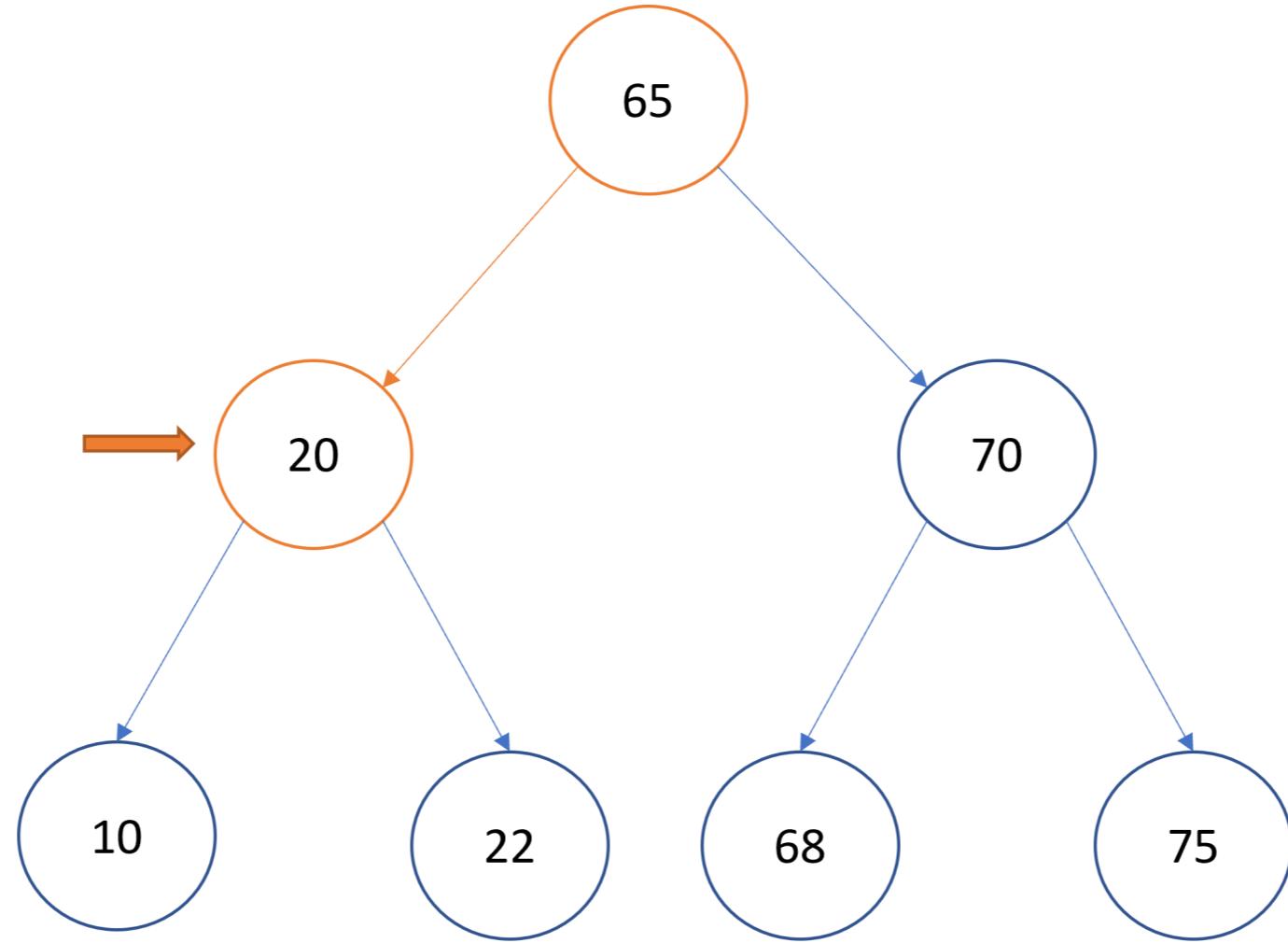
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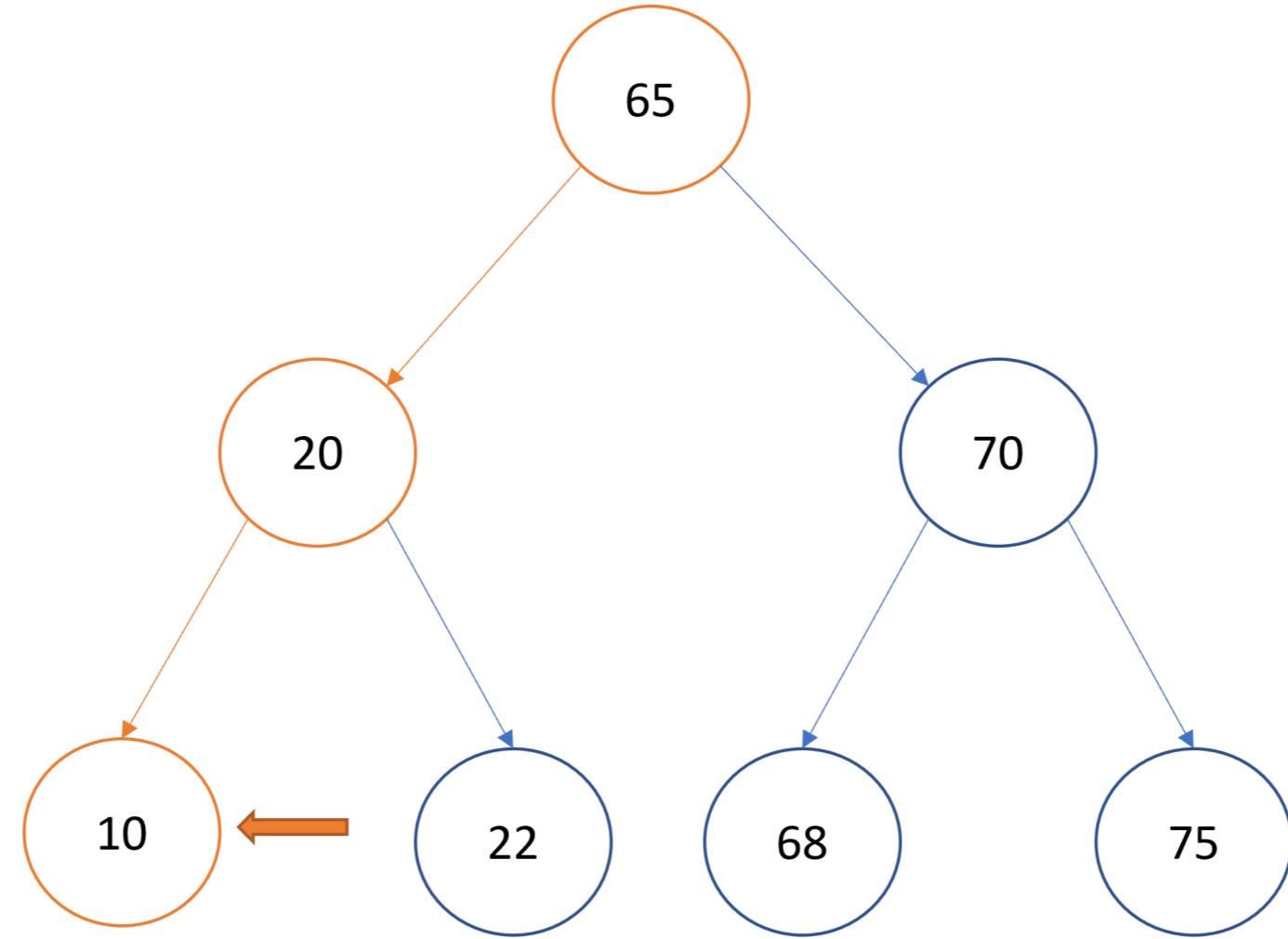
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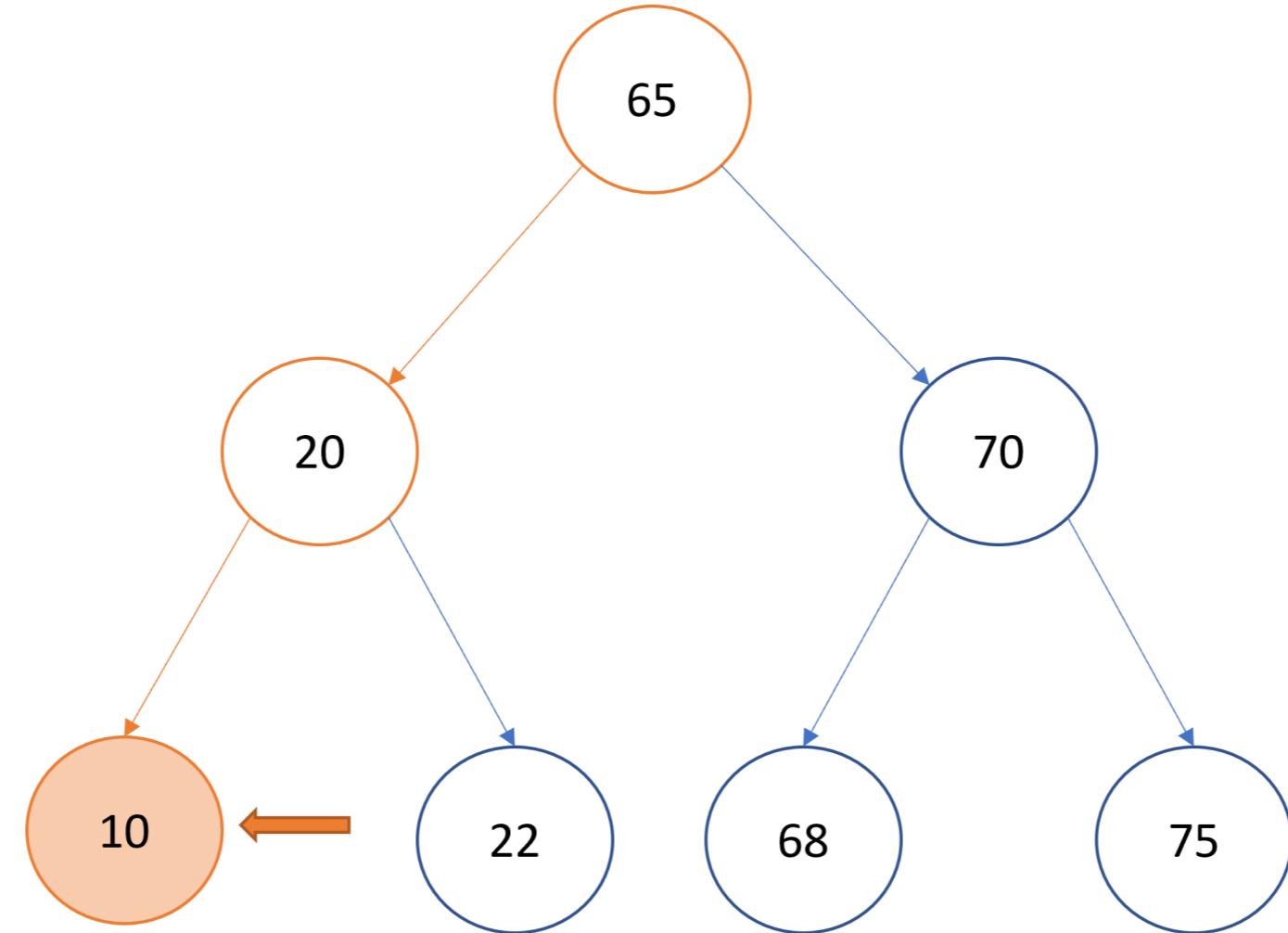
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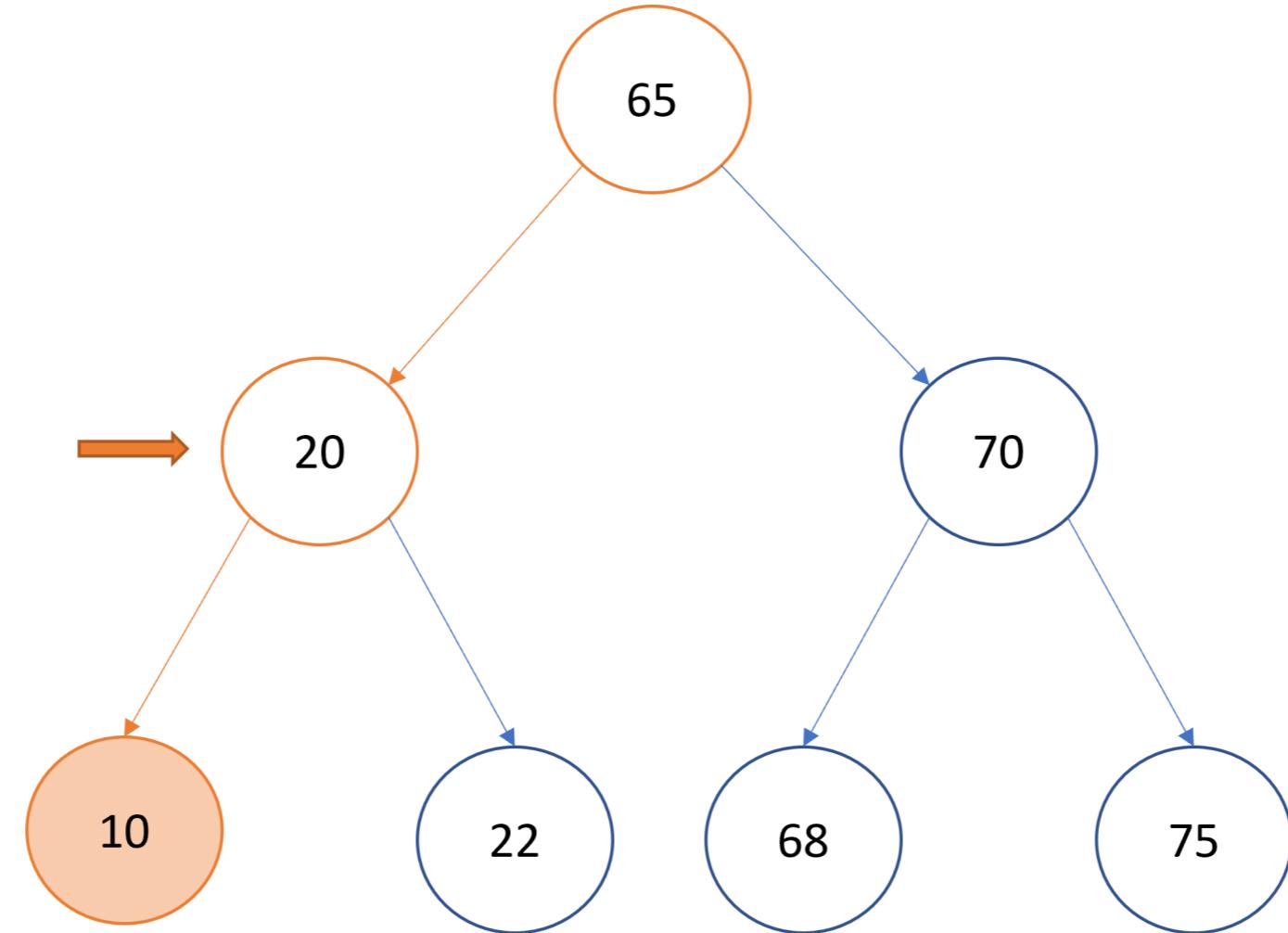
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Visited nodes: 10

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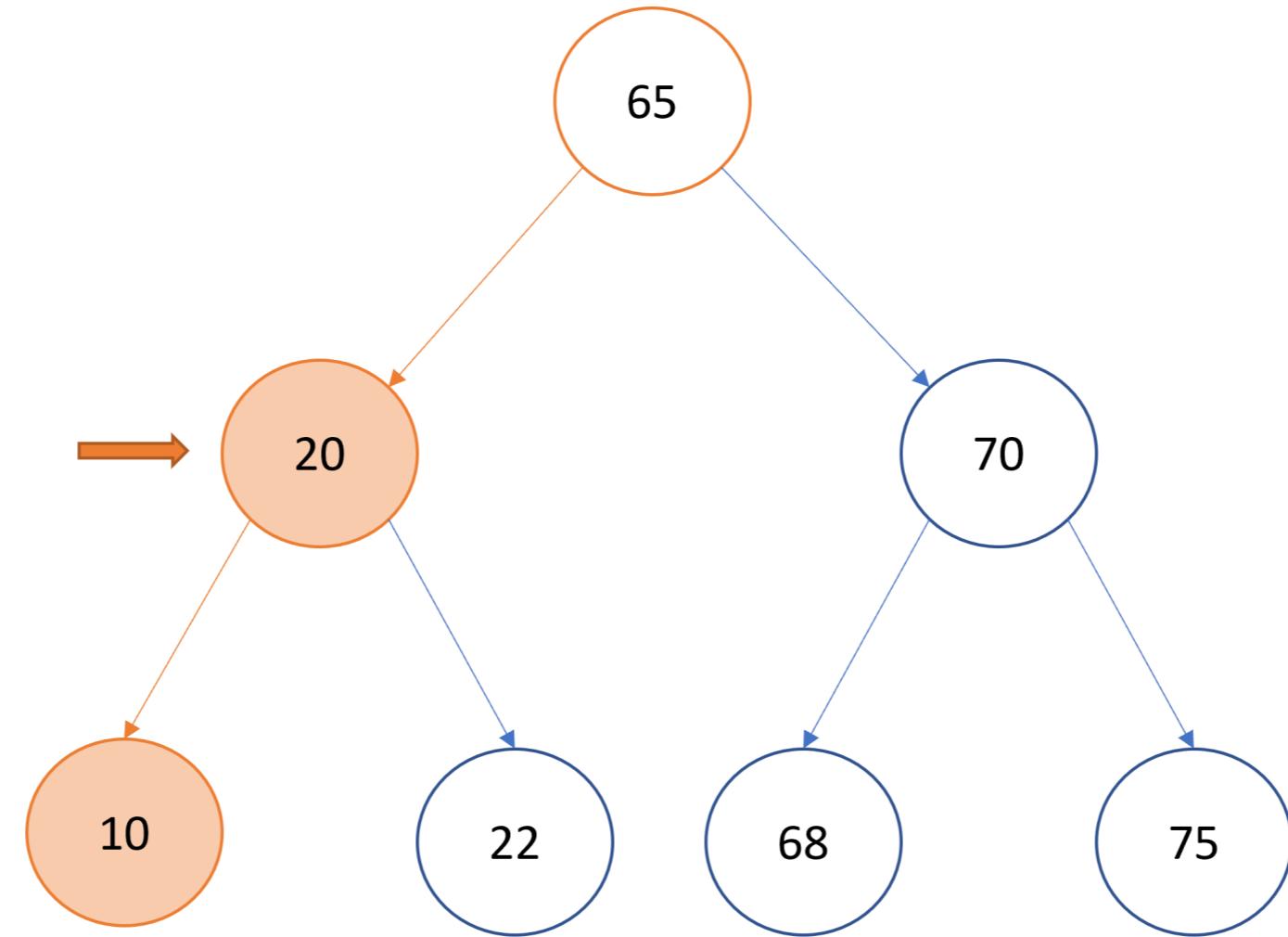
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Visited nodes: 10

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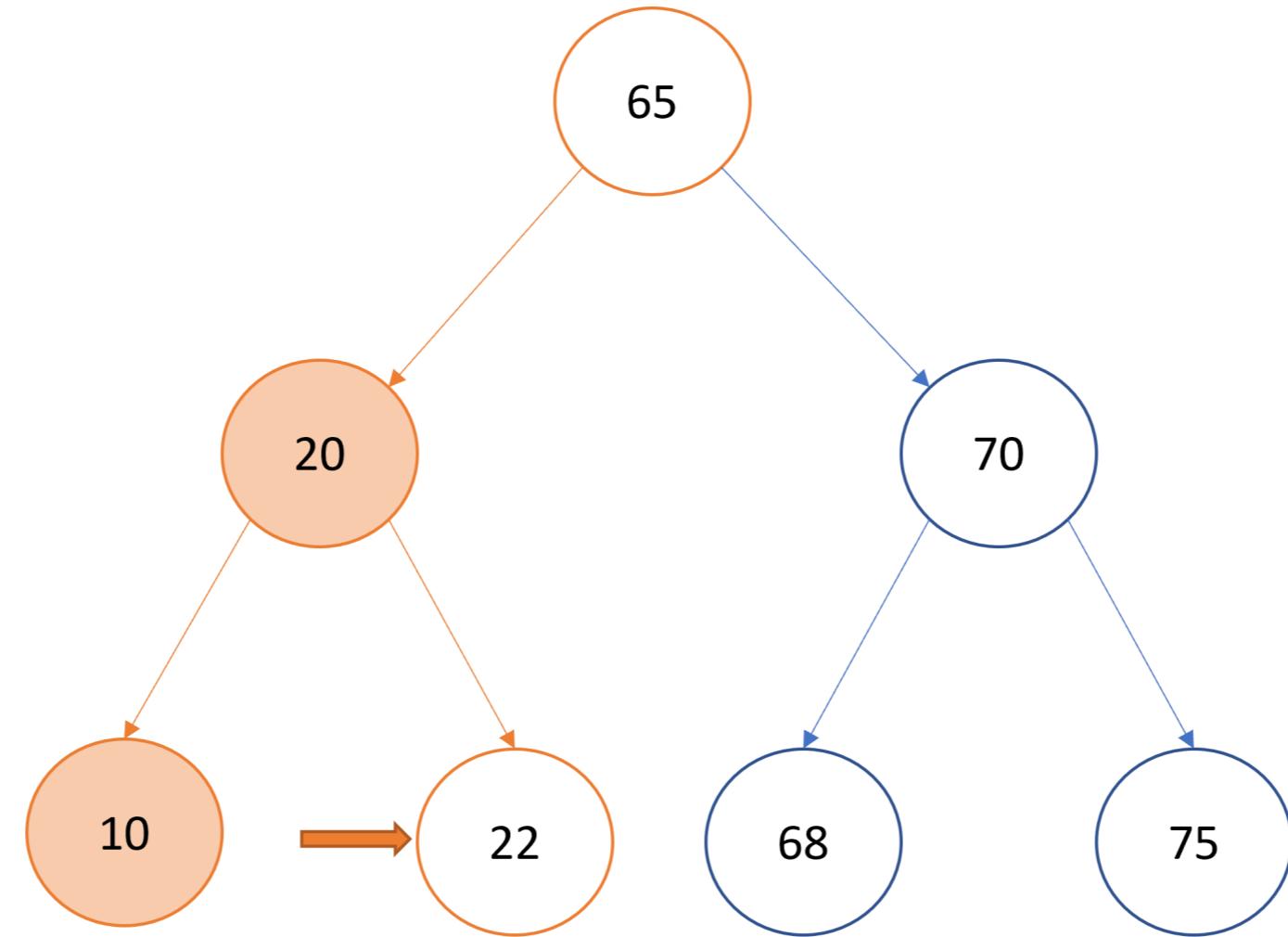
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Visited nodes: 10, 20

# In-order traversal

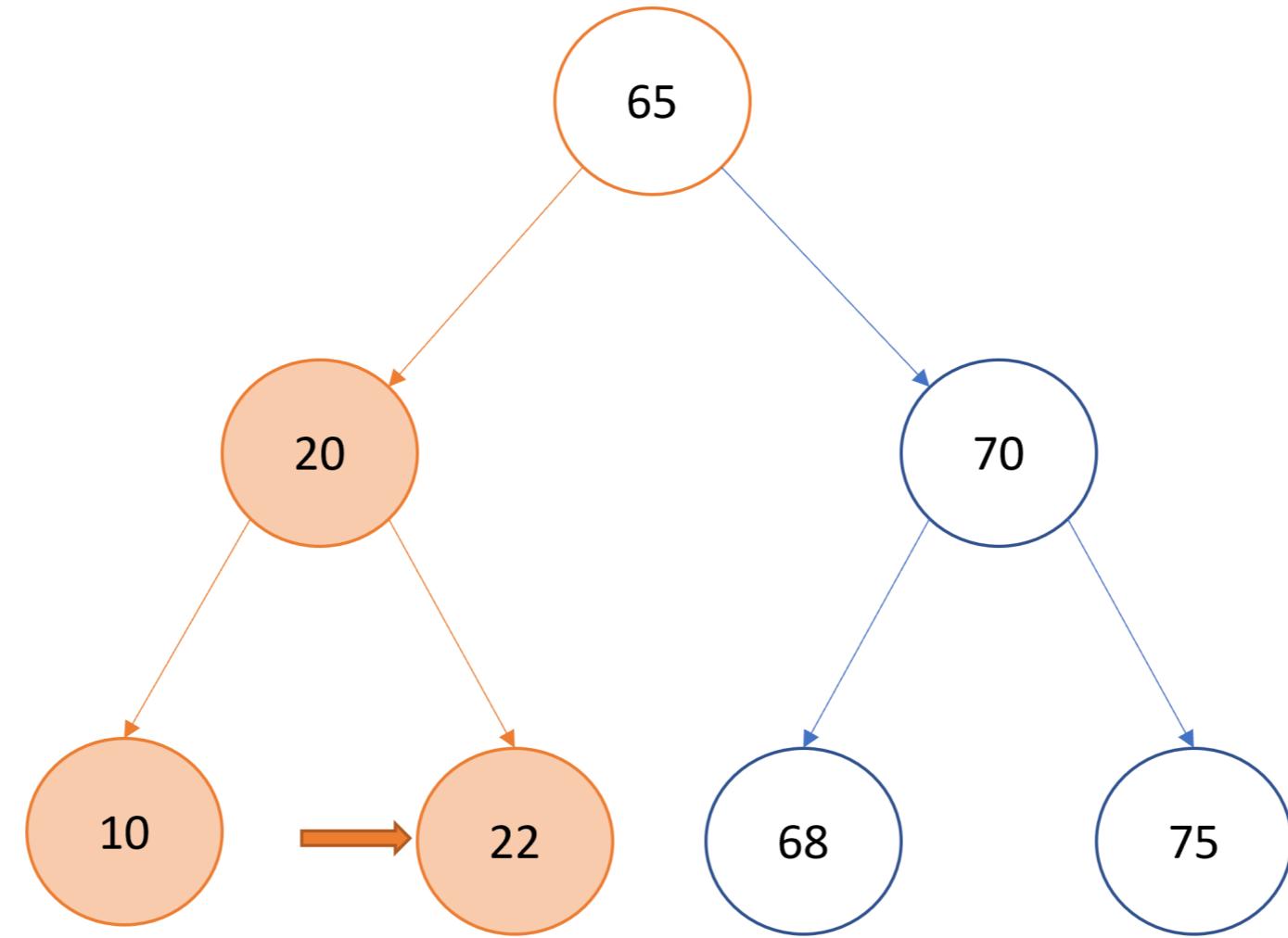
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Visited nodes: 10, 20

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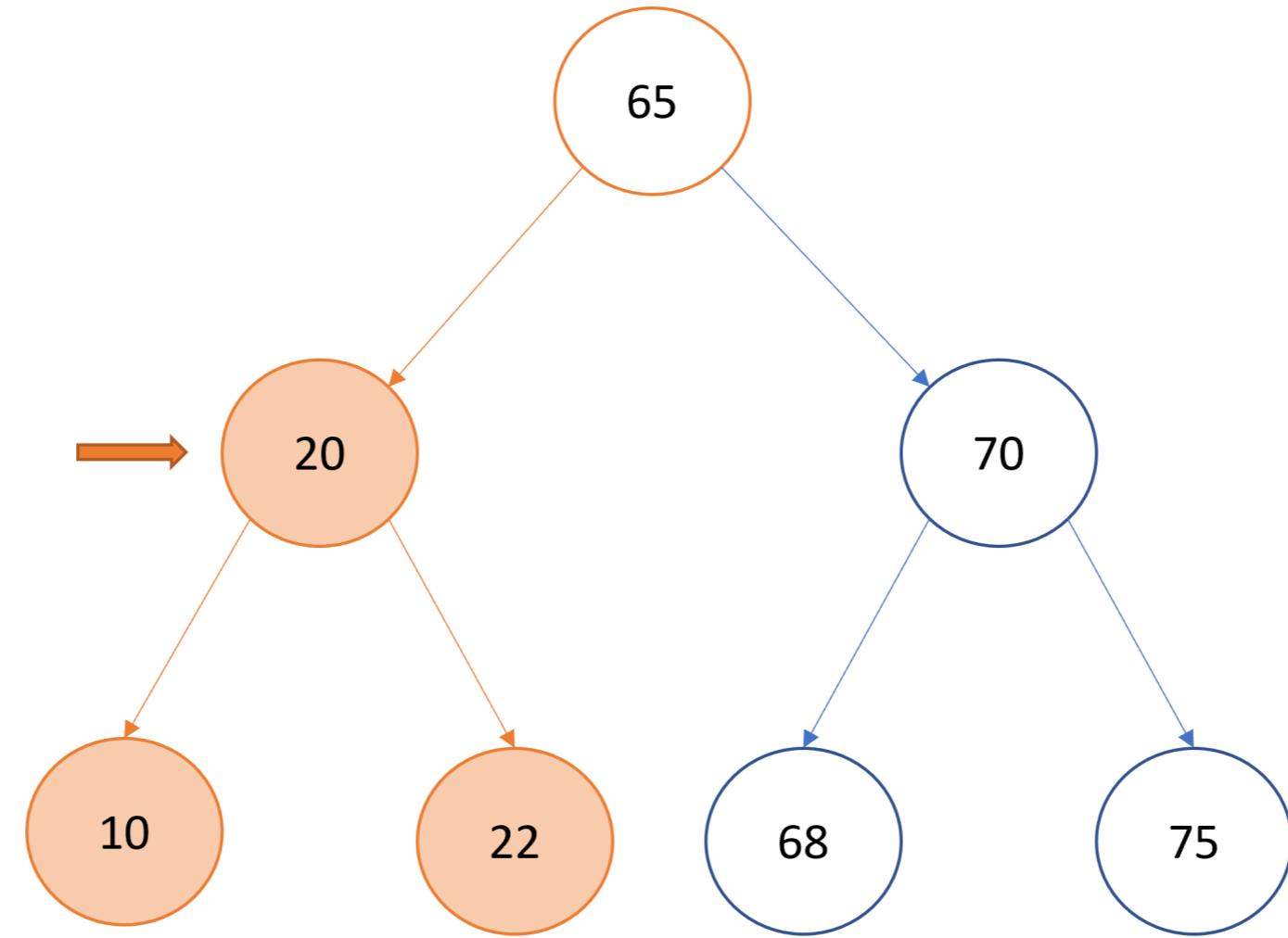
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Visited nodes: 10, 20, 22

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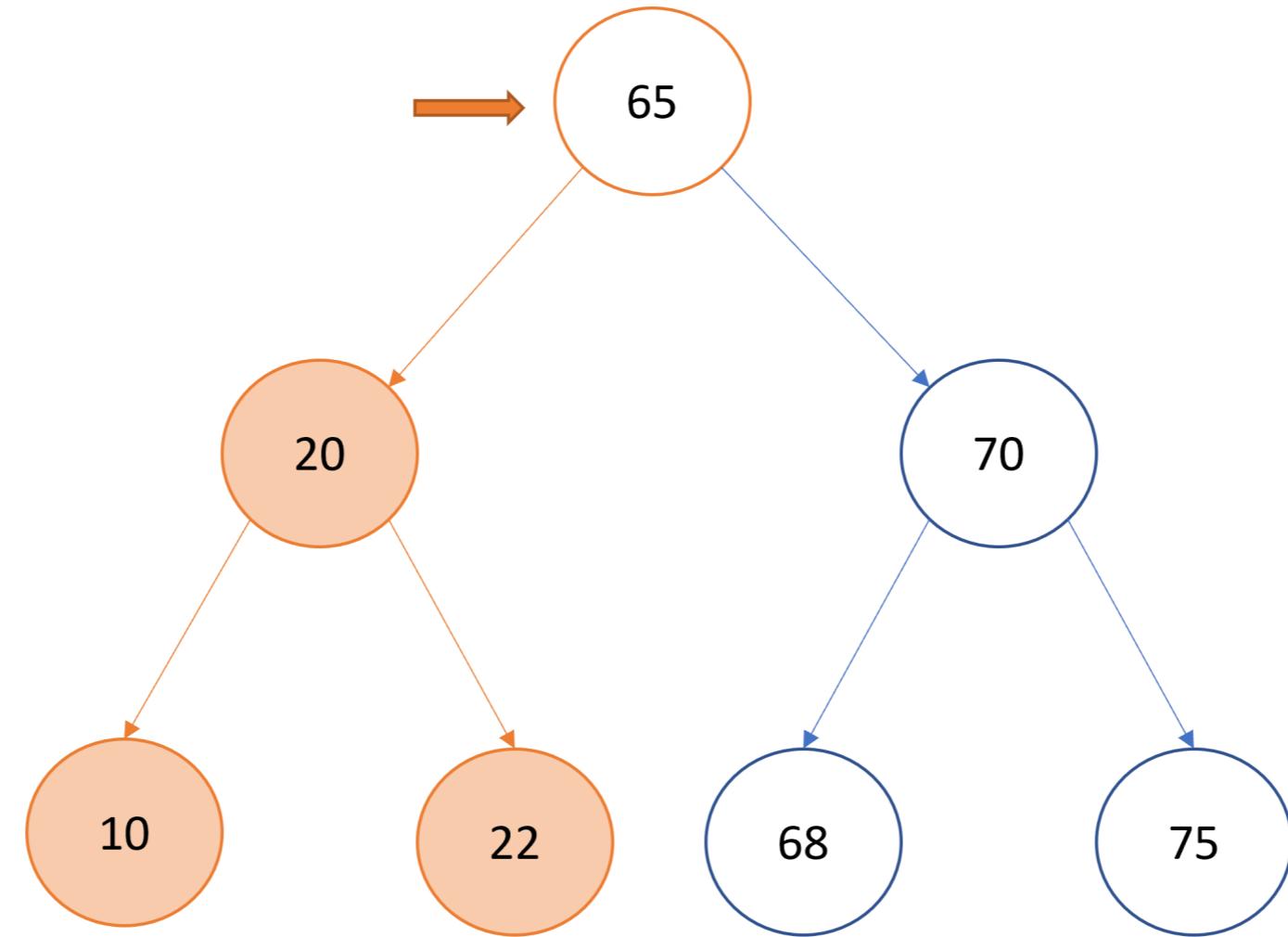
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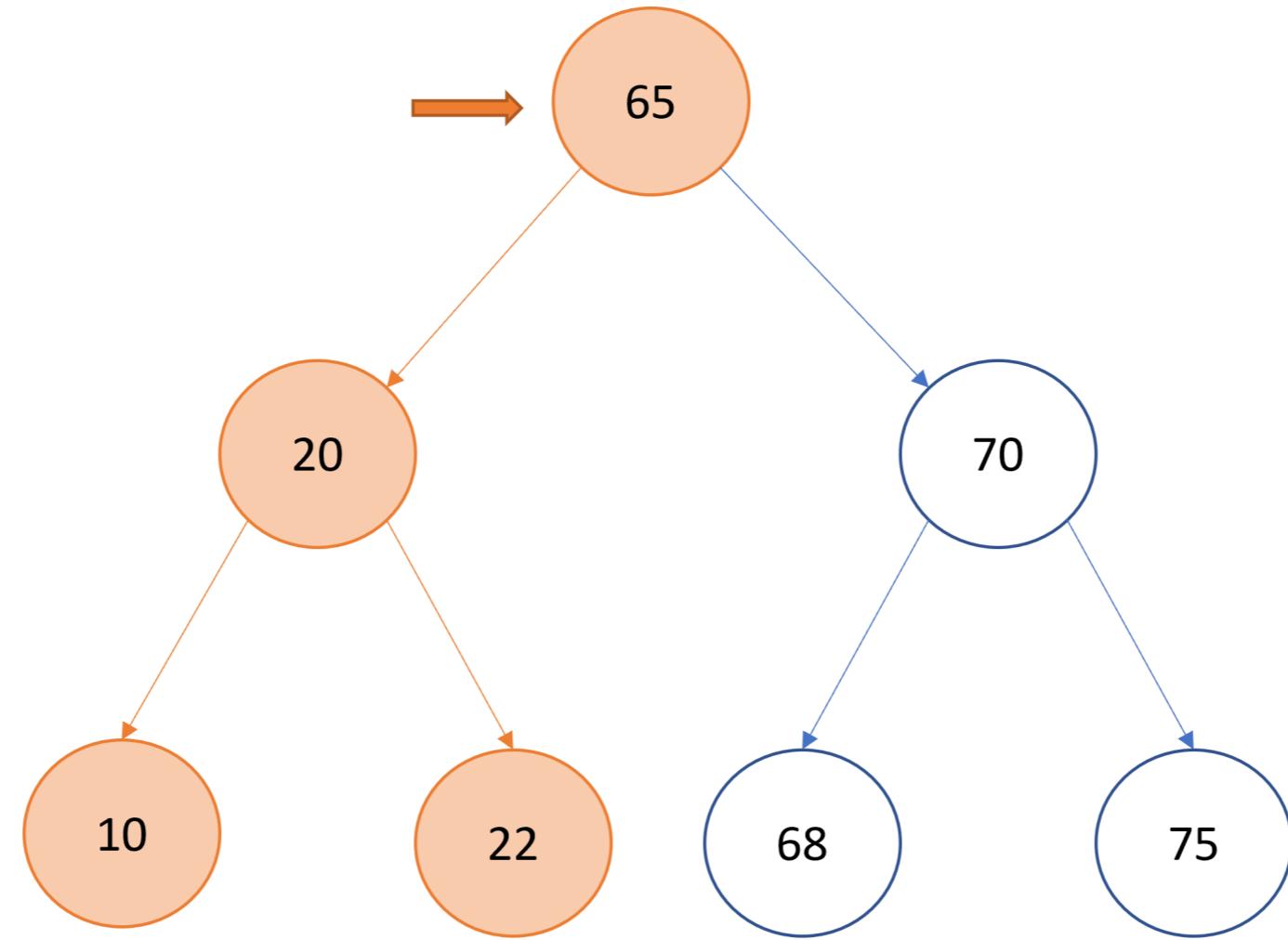
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Visited nodes: 10, 20, 22

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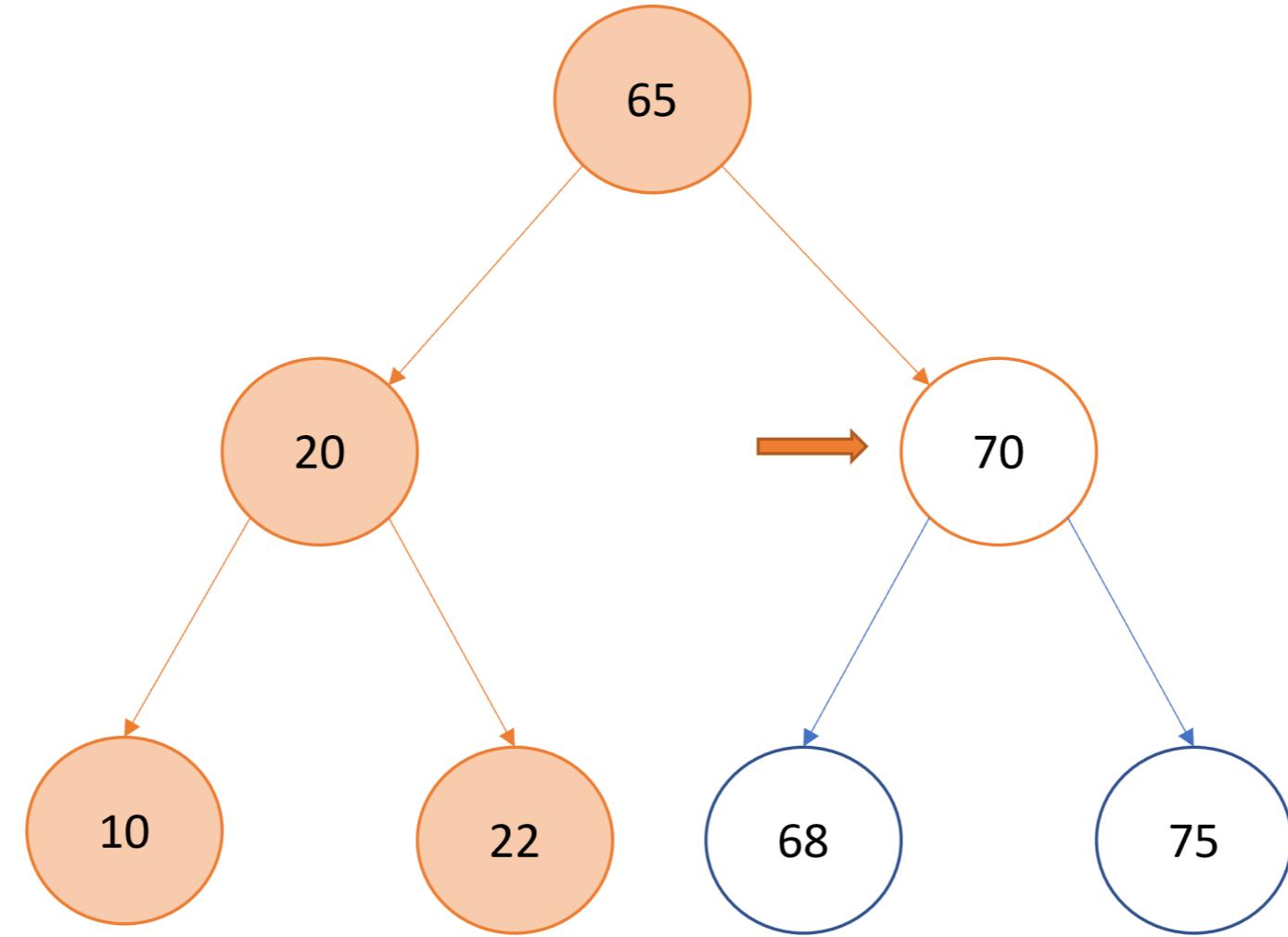
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Visited nodes: 10, 20, 22, 65

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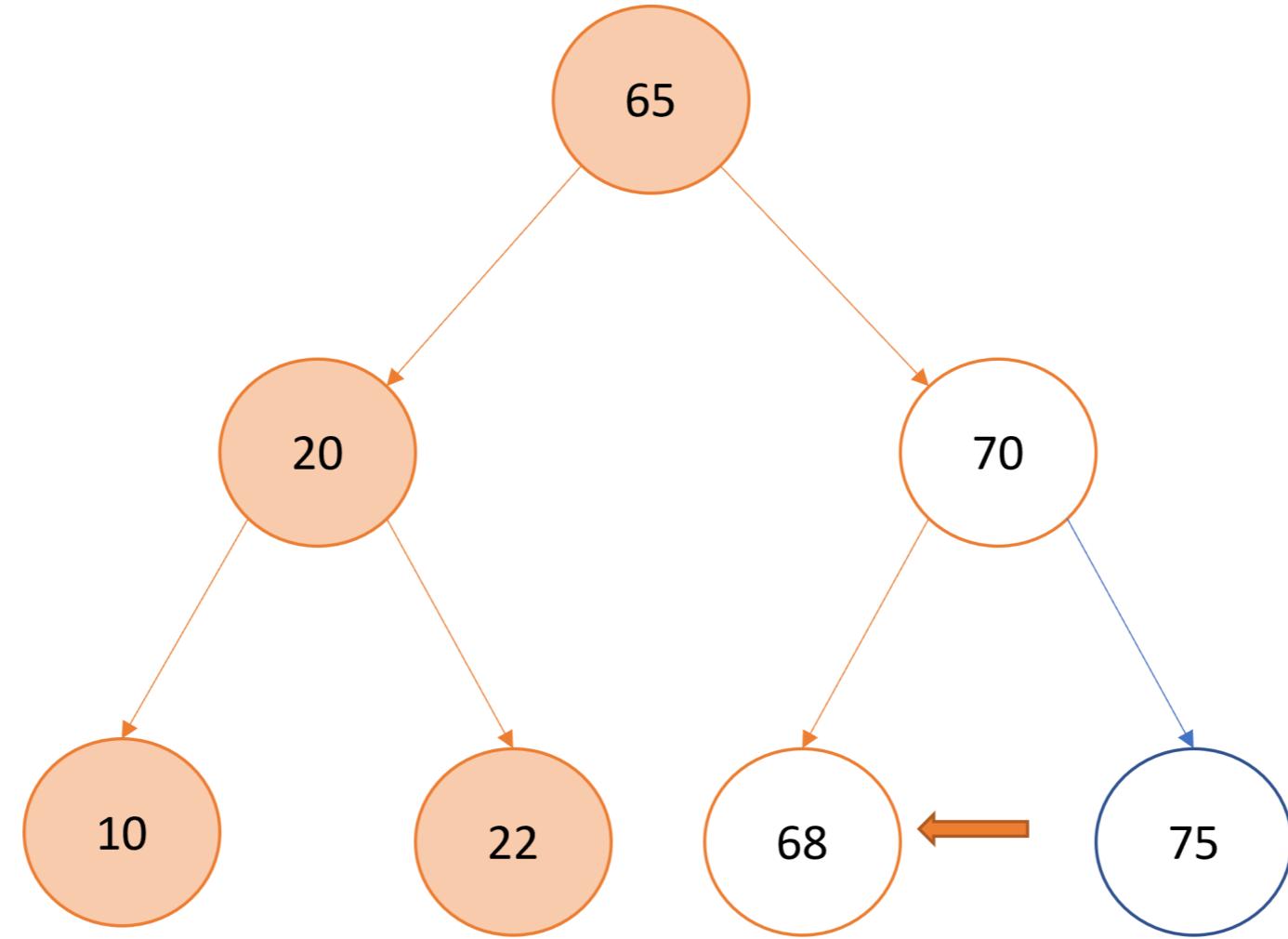
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Visited nodes: 10, 20, 22, 65

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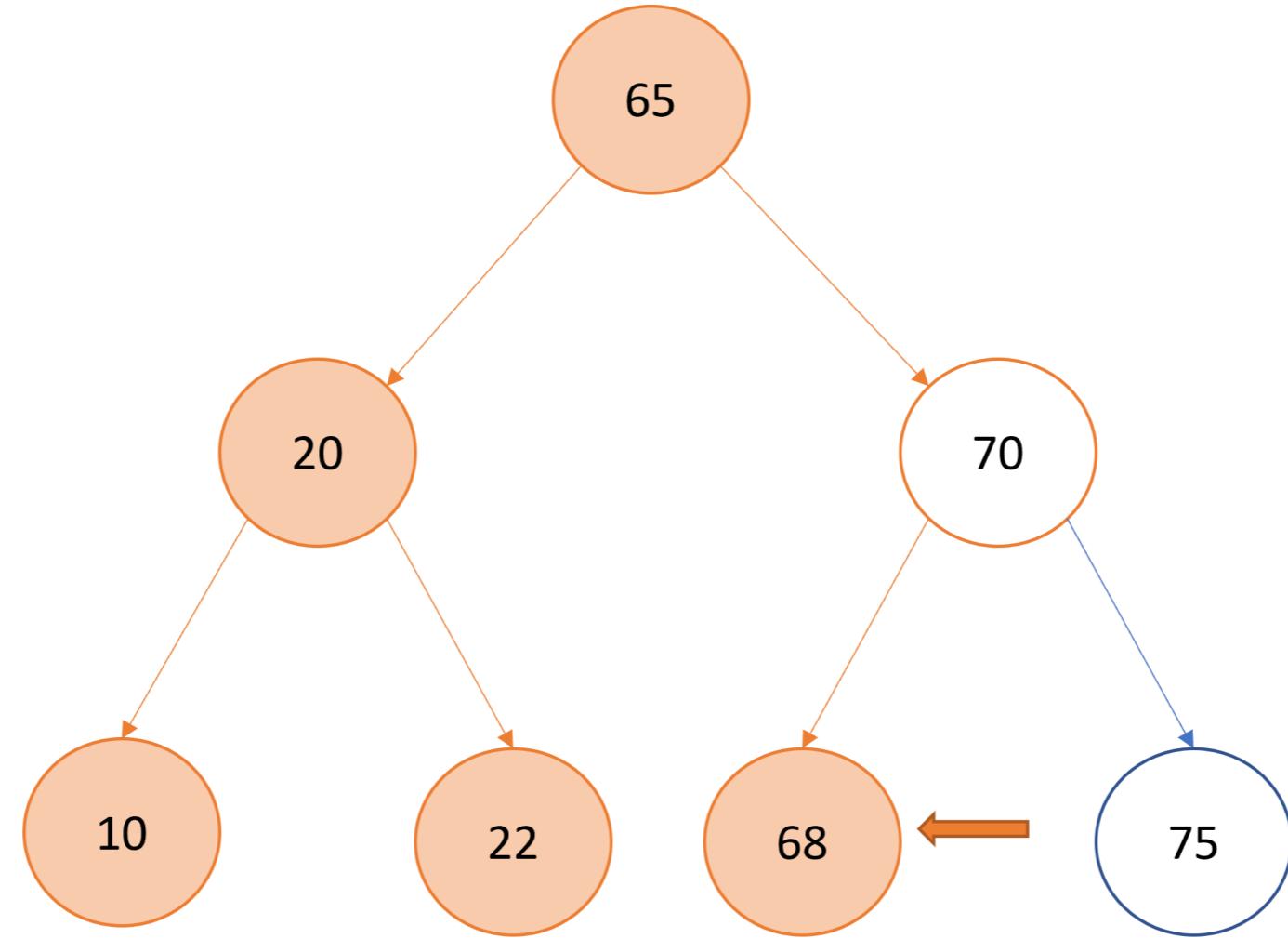
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Visited nodes: 10, 20, 22, 65

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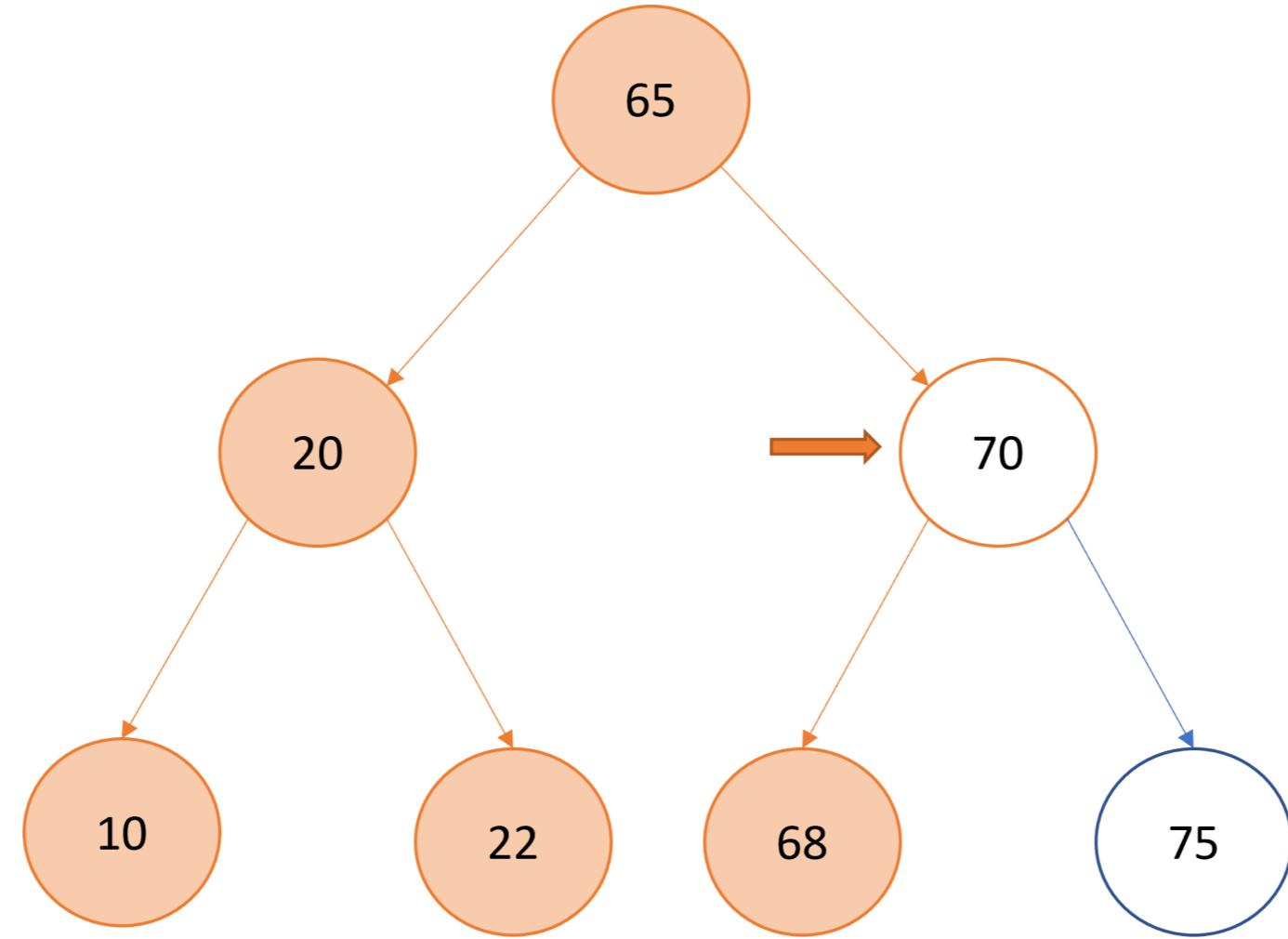
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Visited nodes: 10, 20, 22, 65, 68

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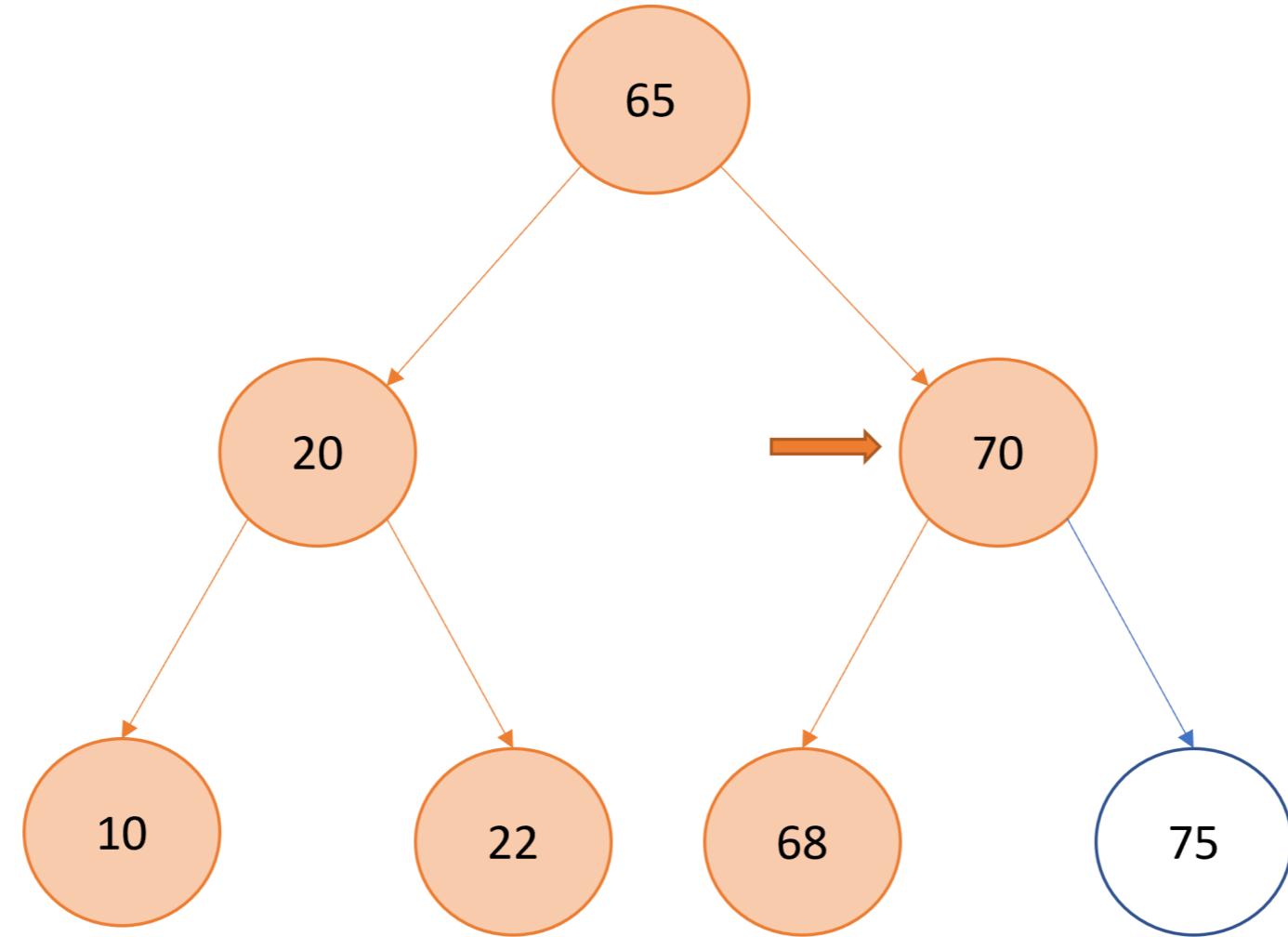
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Visited nodes: 10, 20, 22, 65, 68

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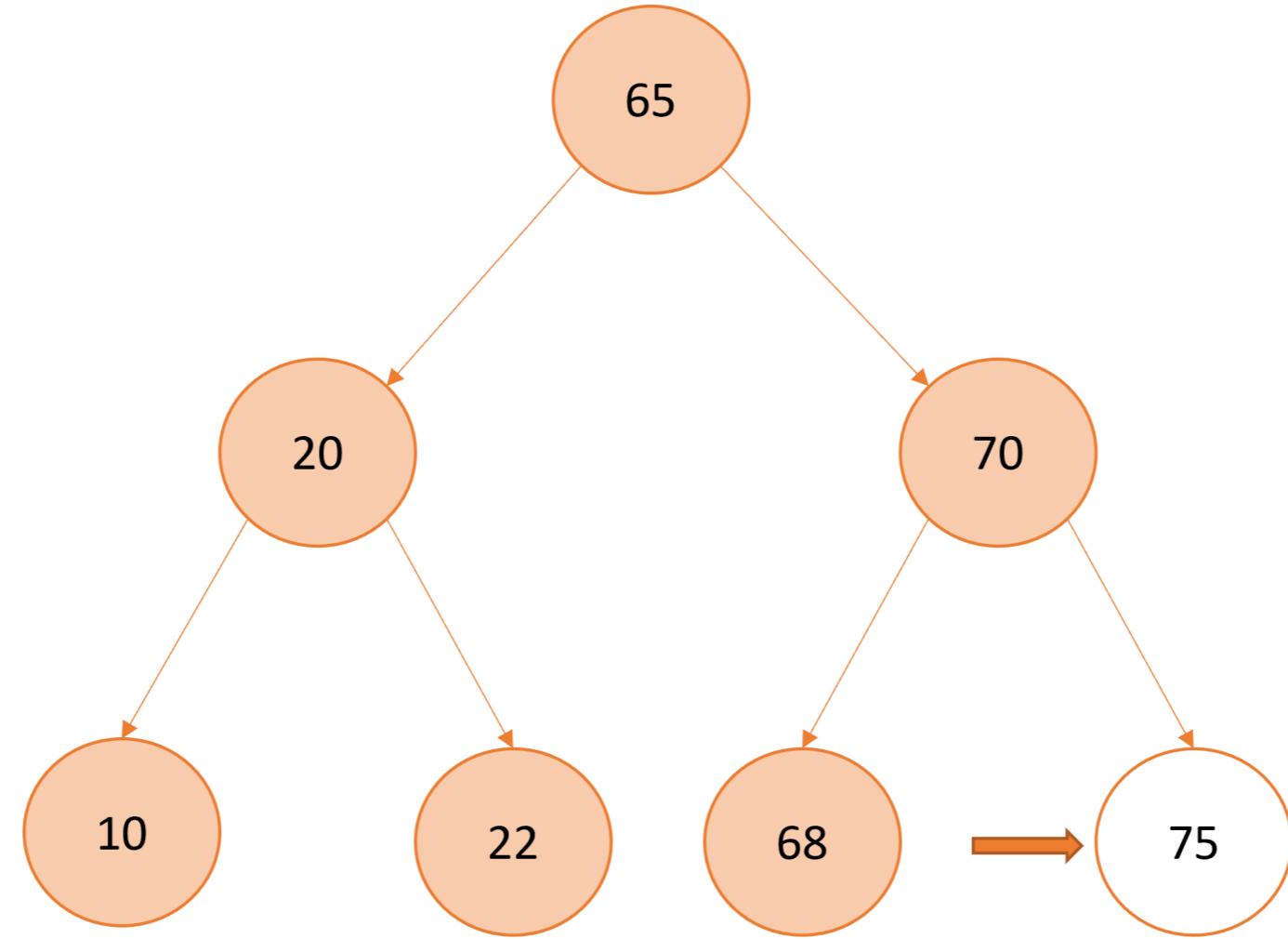
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Visited nodes: 10, 20, 22, 65, 68, 70

# In-order traversal

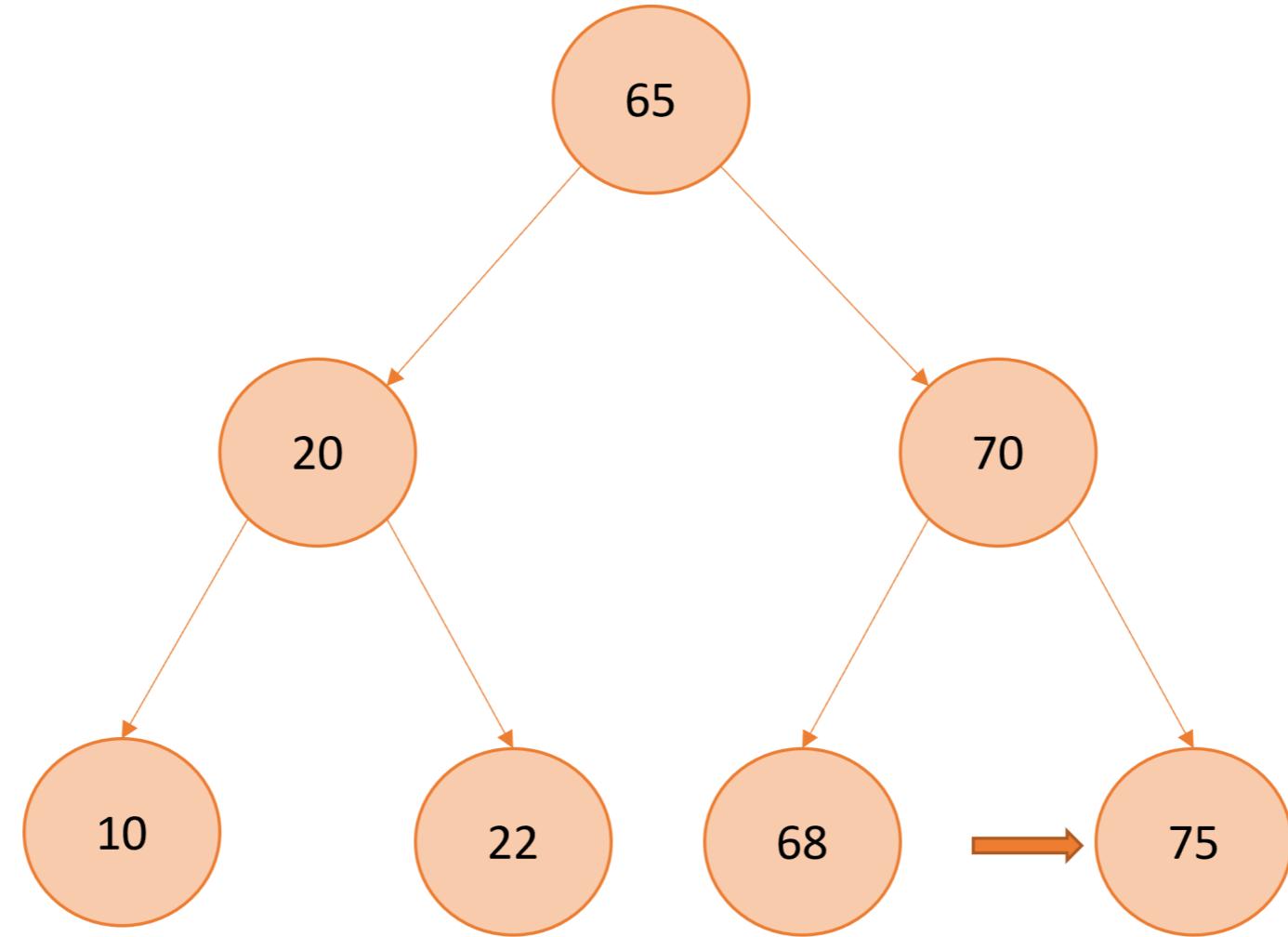
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Visited nodes: 10, 20, 22, 65, 68, 70

# In-order traversal

- Order: Left -> Current -> Right



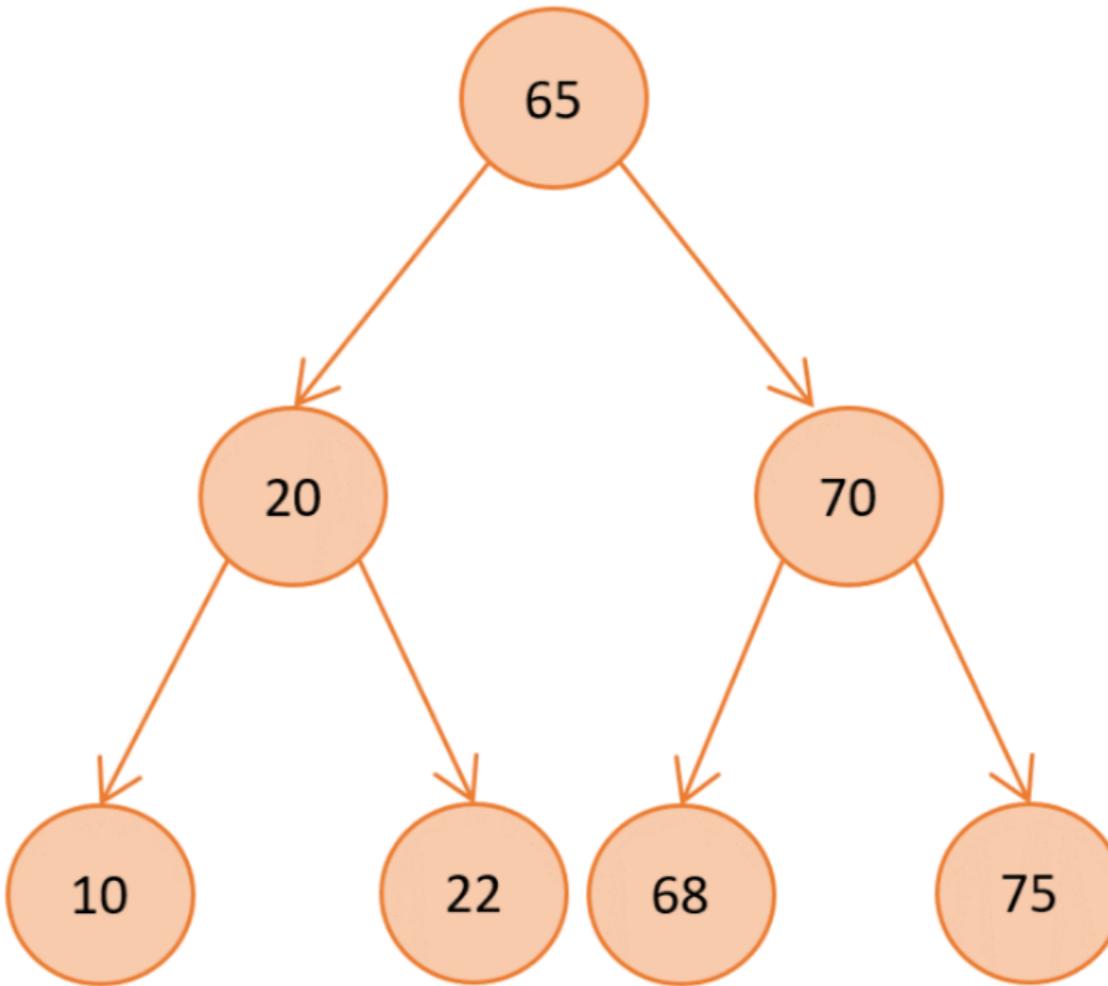
Visited nodes: 10, 20, 22, 65, 68, 70, 75

# In-order traversal - implementation

- Order: Left -> Current -> Right

```
def in_order(self, current_node):  
    if current_node:  
        self.in_order(current_node.left_child)  
        print(current_node.data)  
        self.in_order(current_node.right_child)  
  
my_tree.in_order(my_tree.root)
```

10  
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- Complexity:  $O(n)$ 
  - $n \rightarrow$  number of nodes

# Pre-order traversal

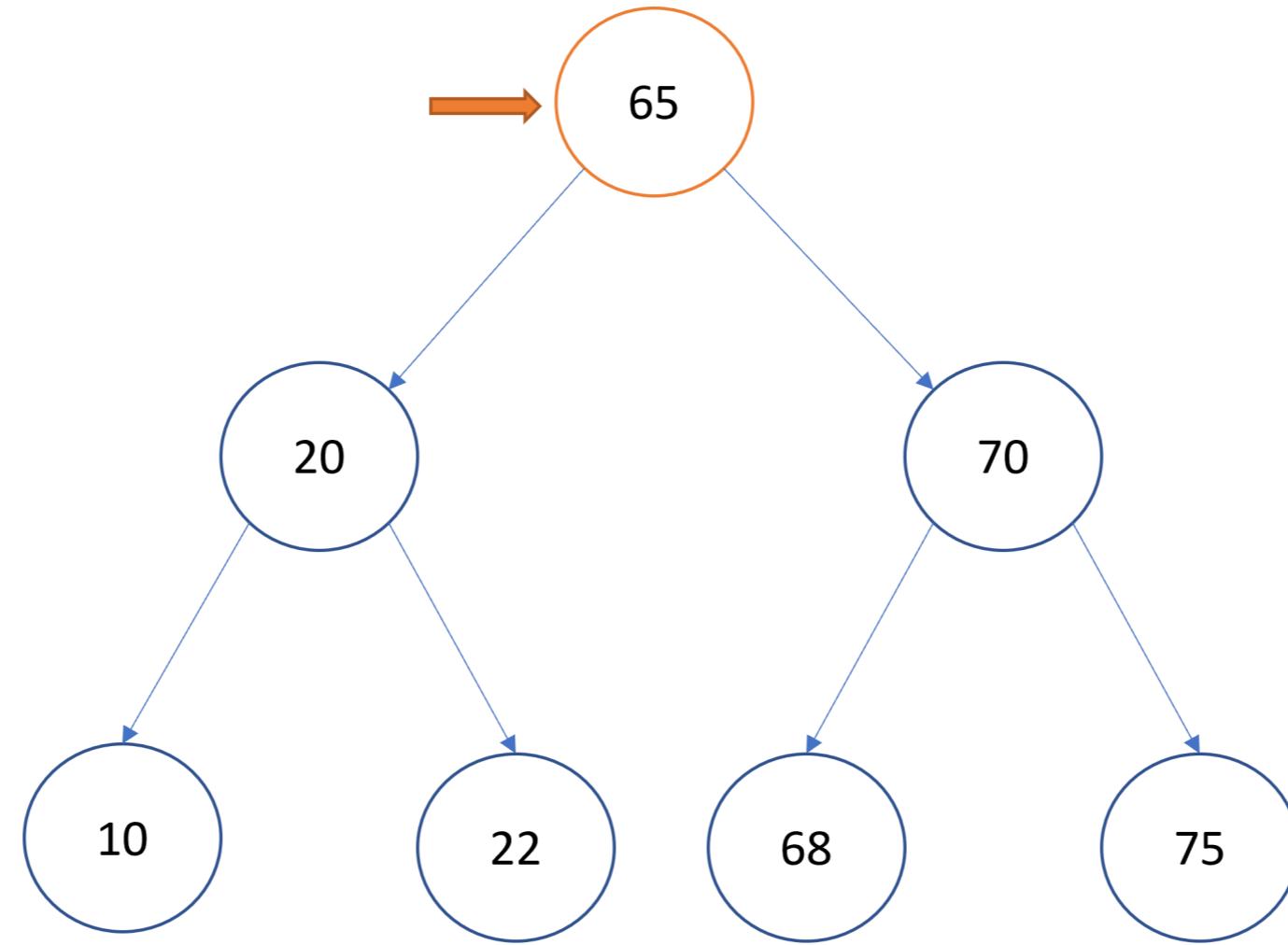
- Order: Current

# Pre-order traversal

- Order: Current -> Left

# Pre-order traversal

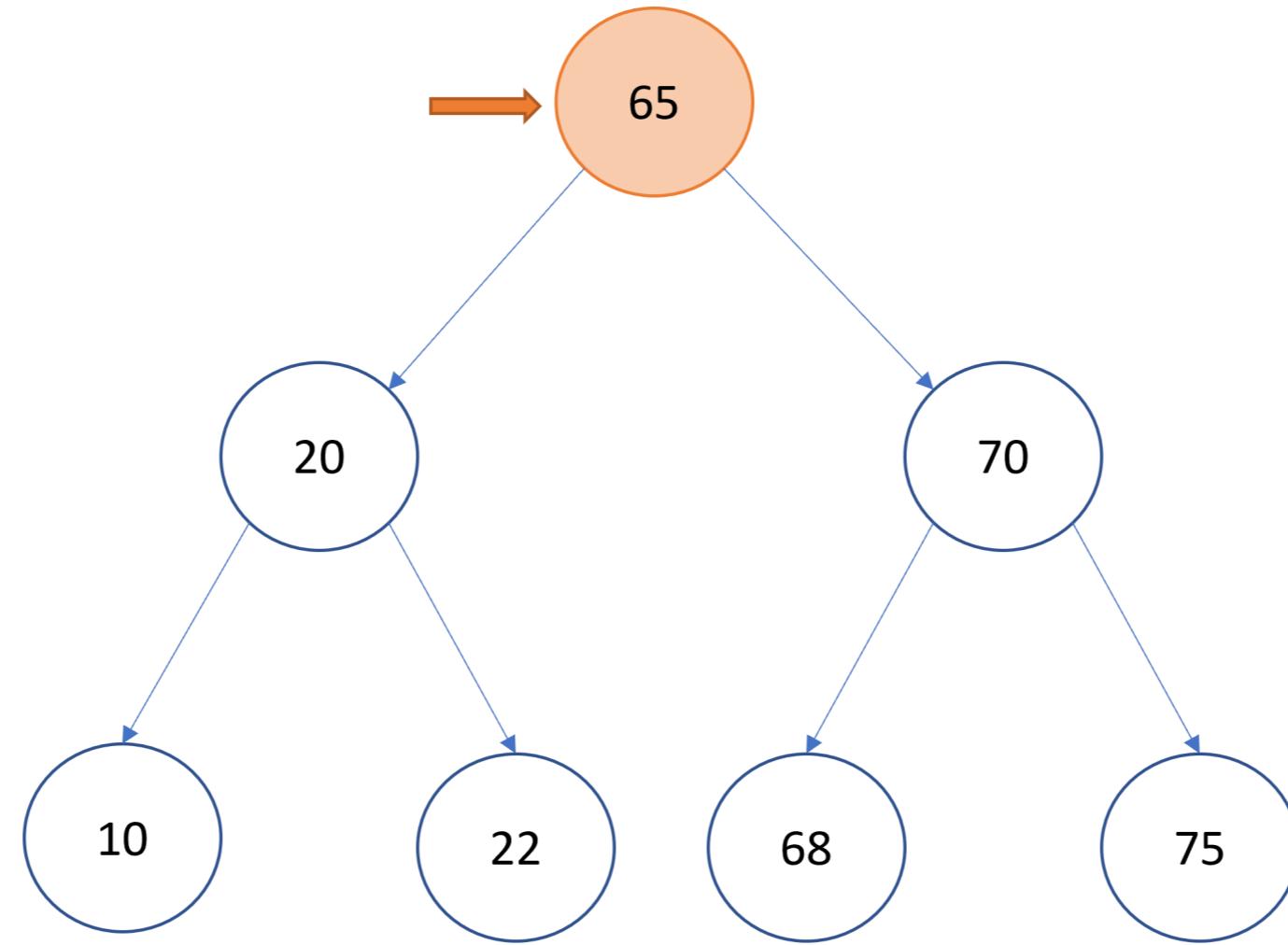
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Visited nodes:

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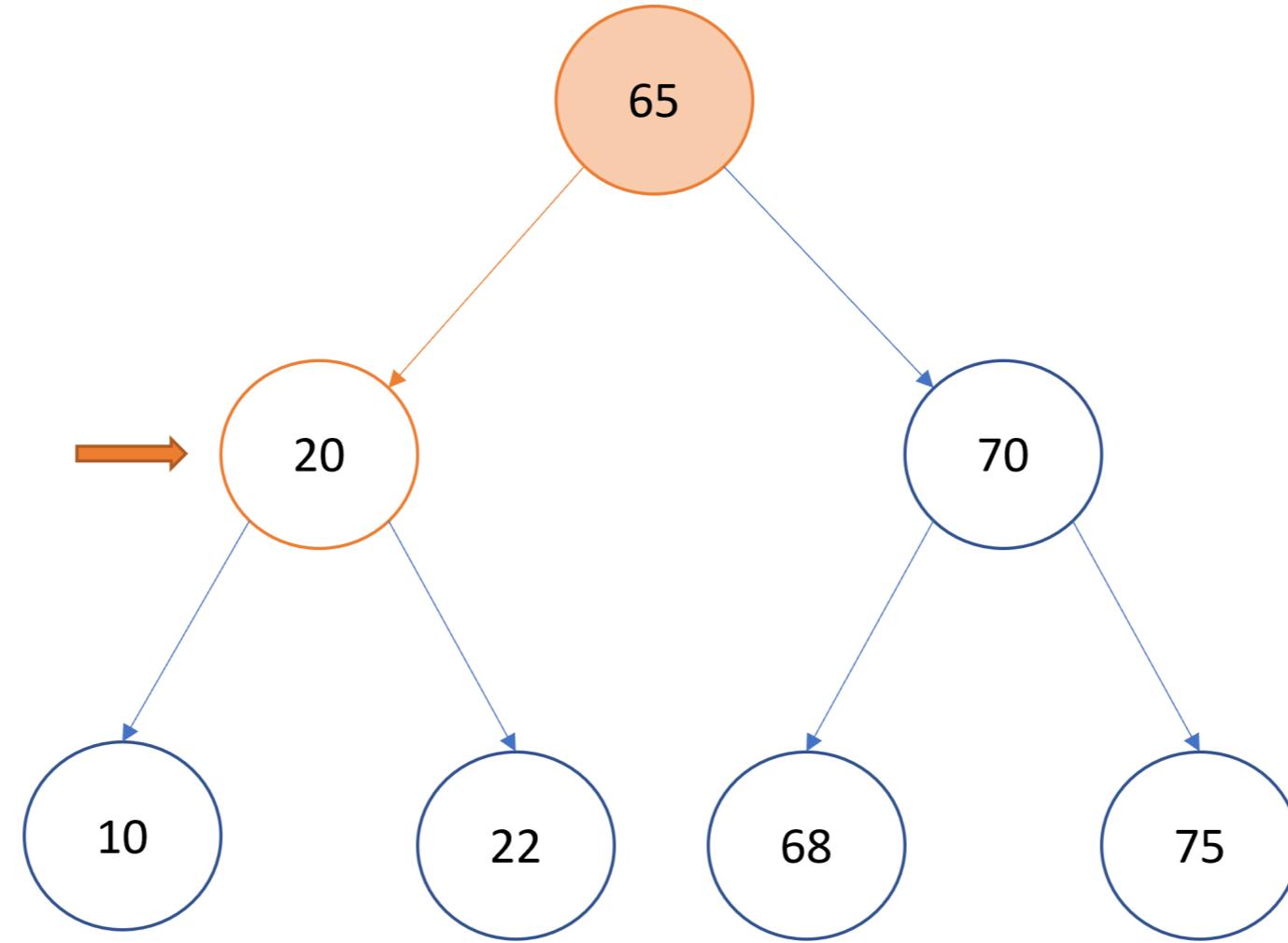
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Visited nodes: 65

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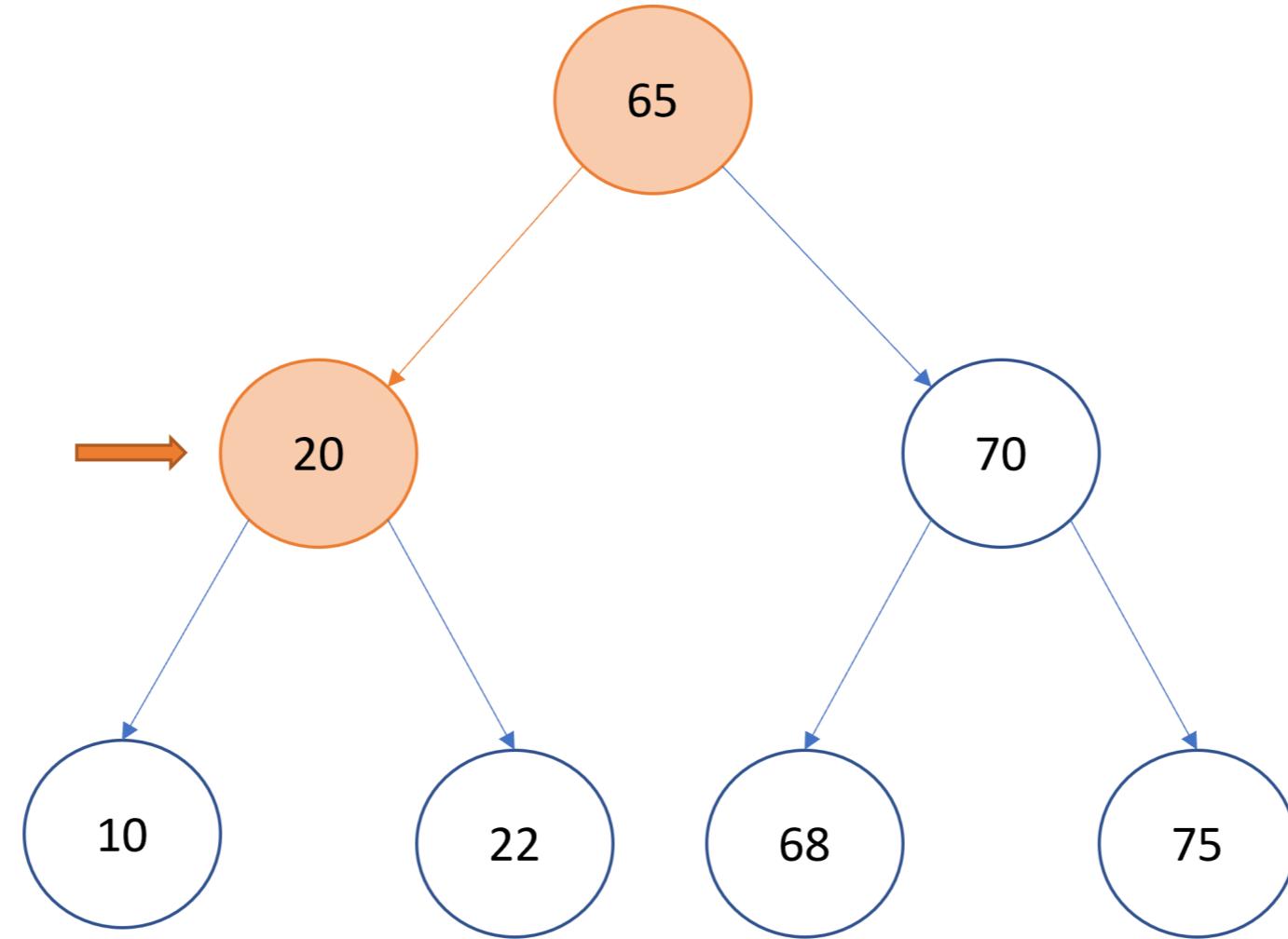
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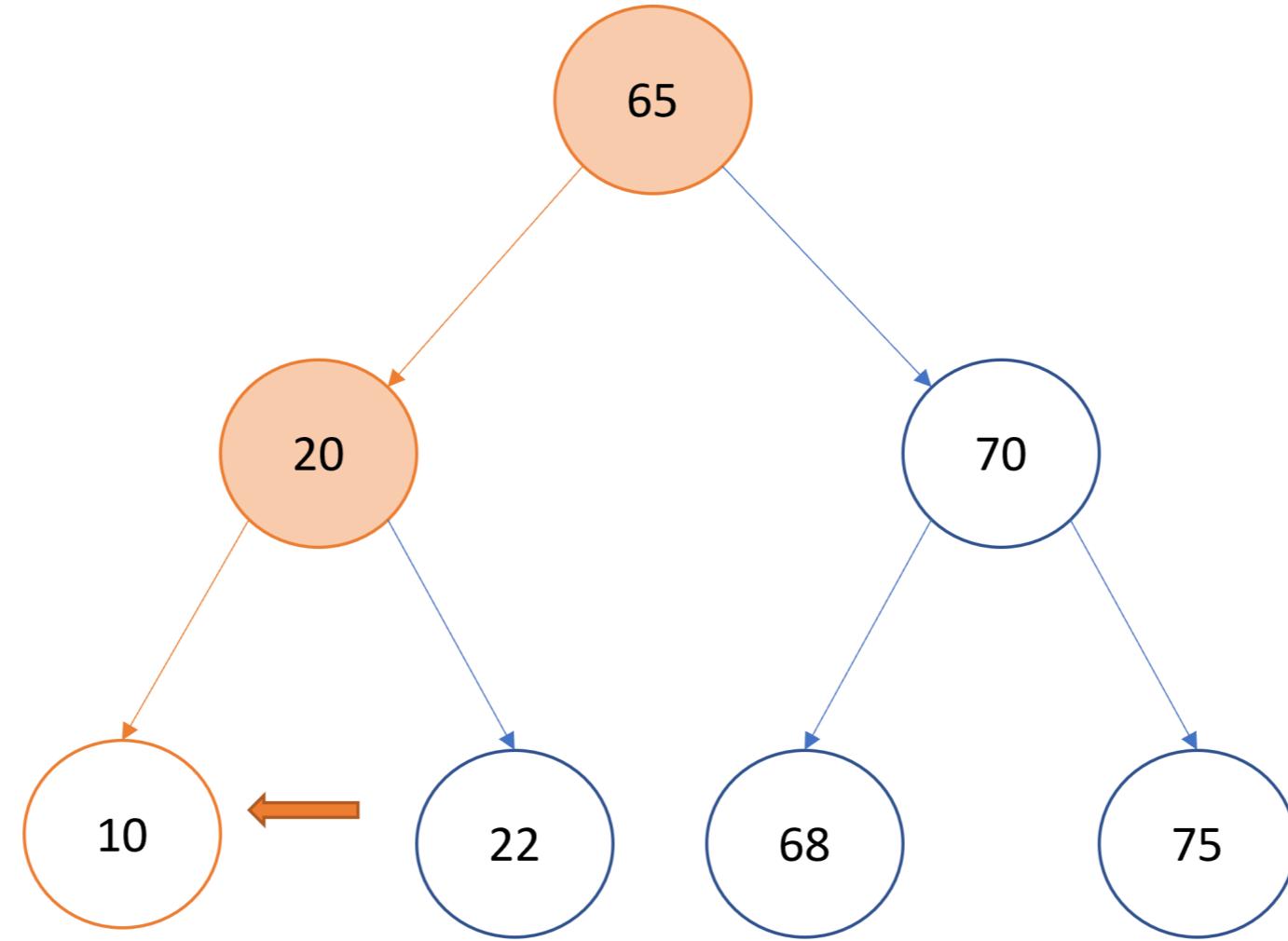
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Visited nodes: 65, 20

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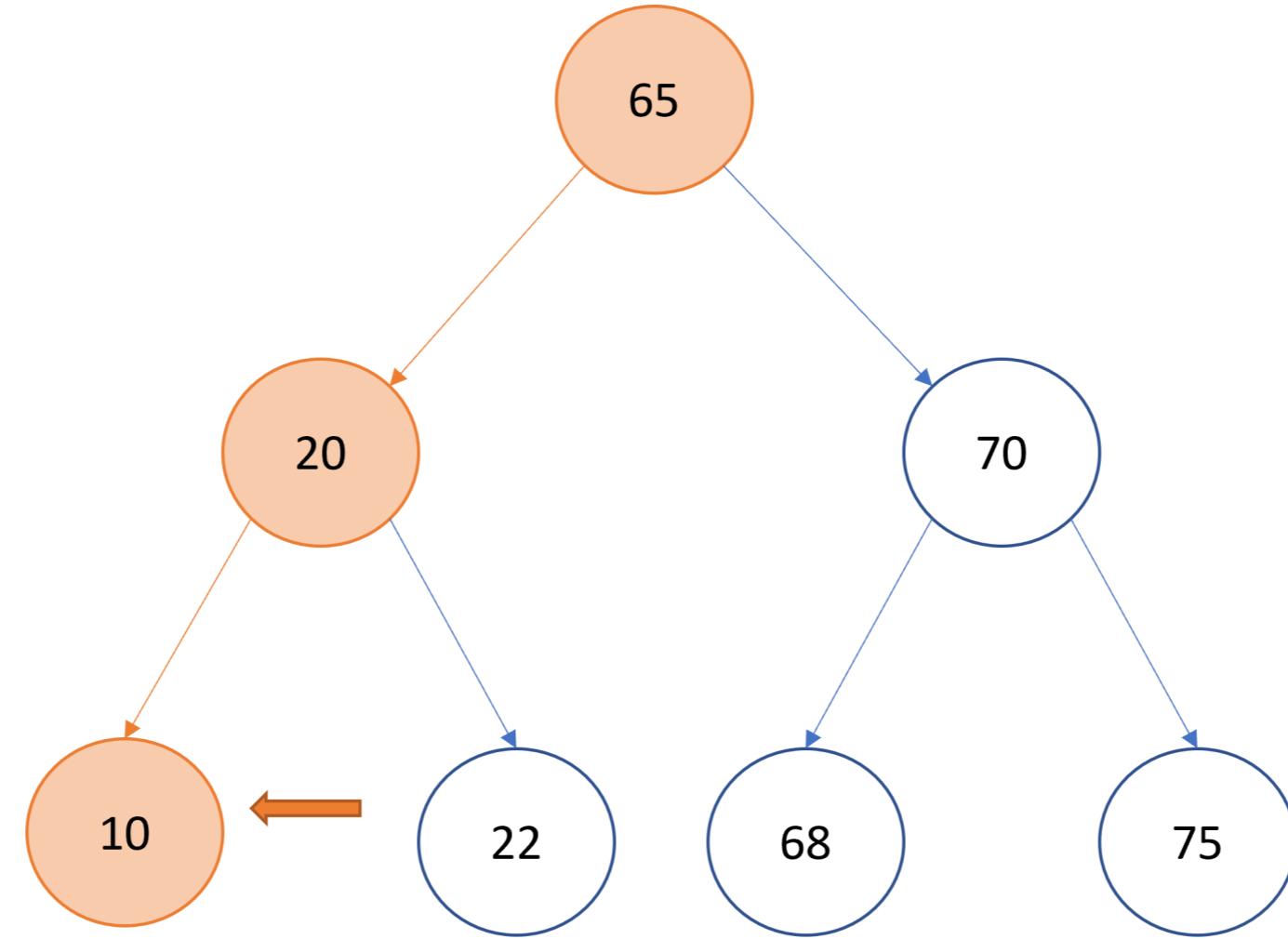
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Visited nodes: 65, 20

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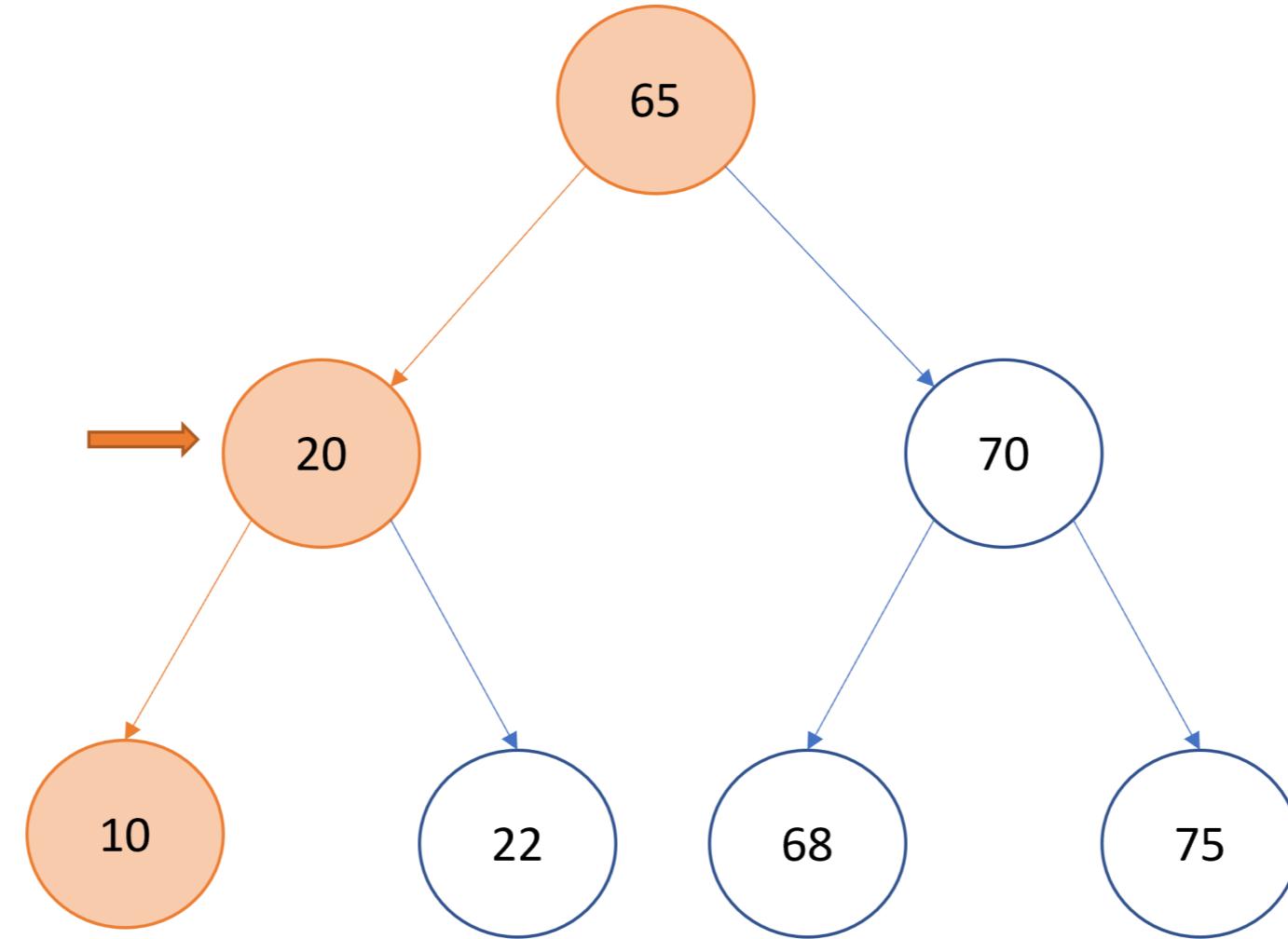
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Visited nodes: 65, 20, 10

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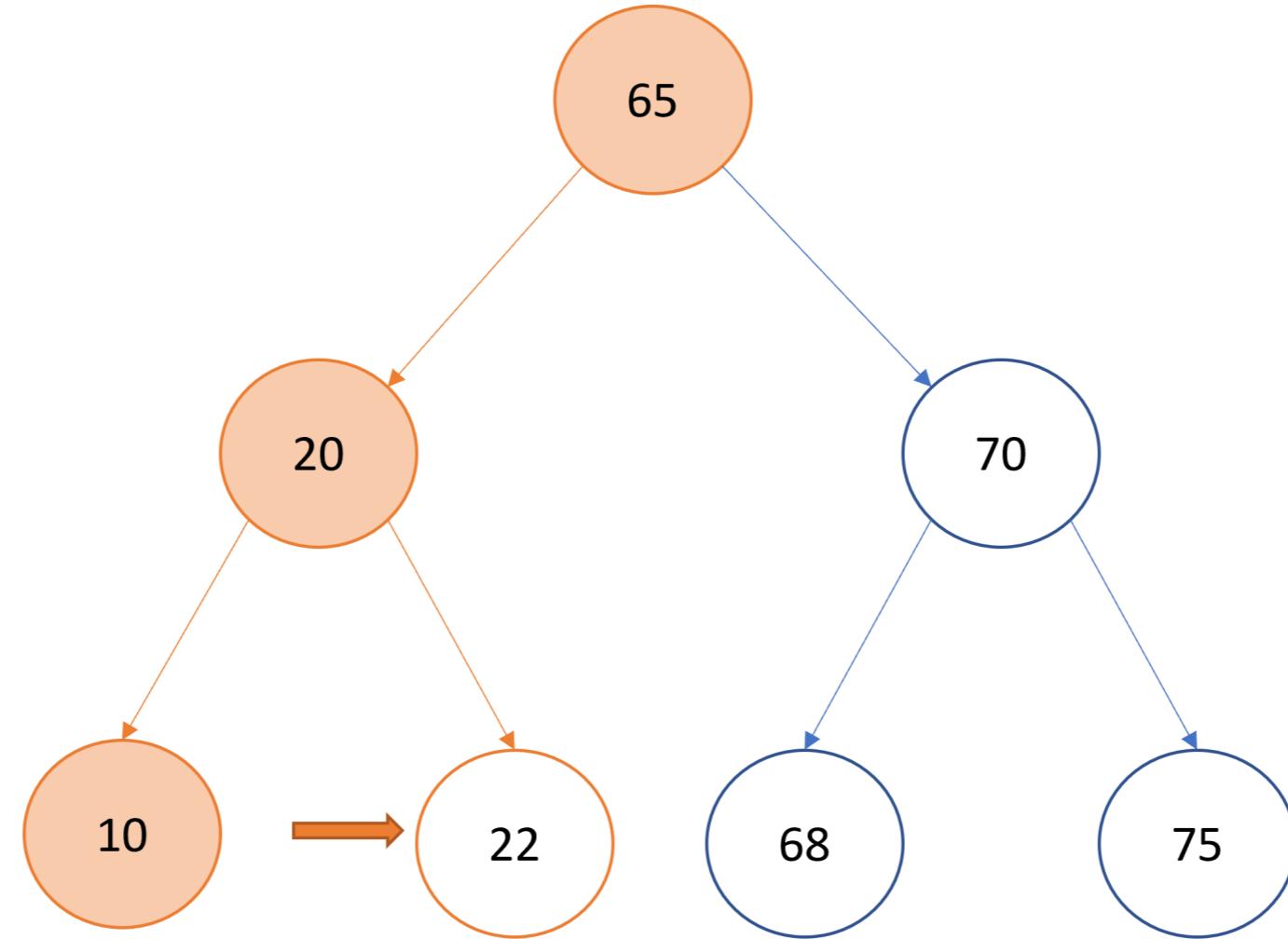
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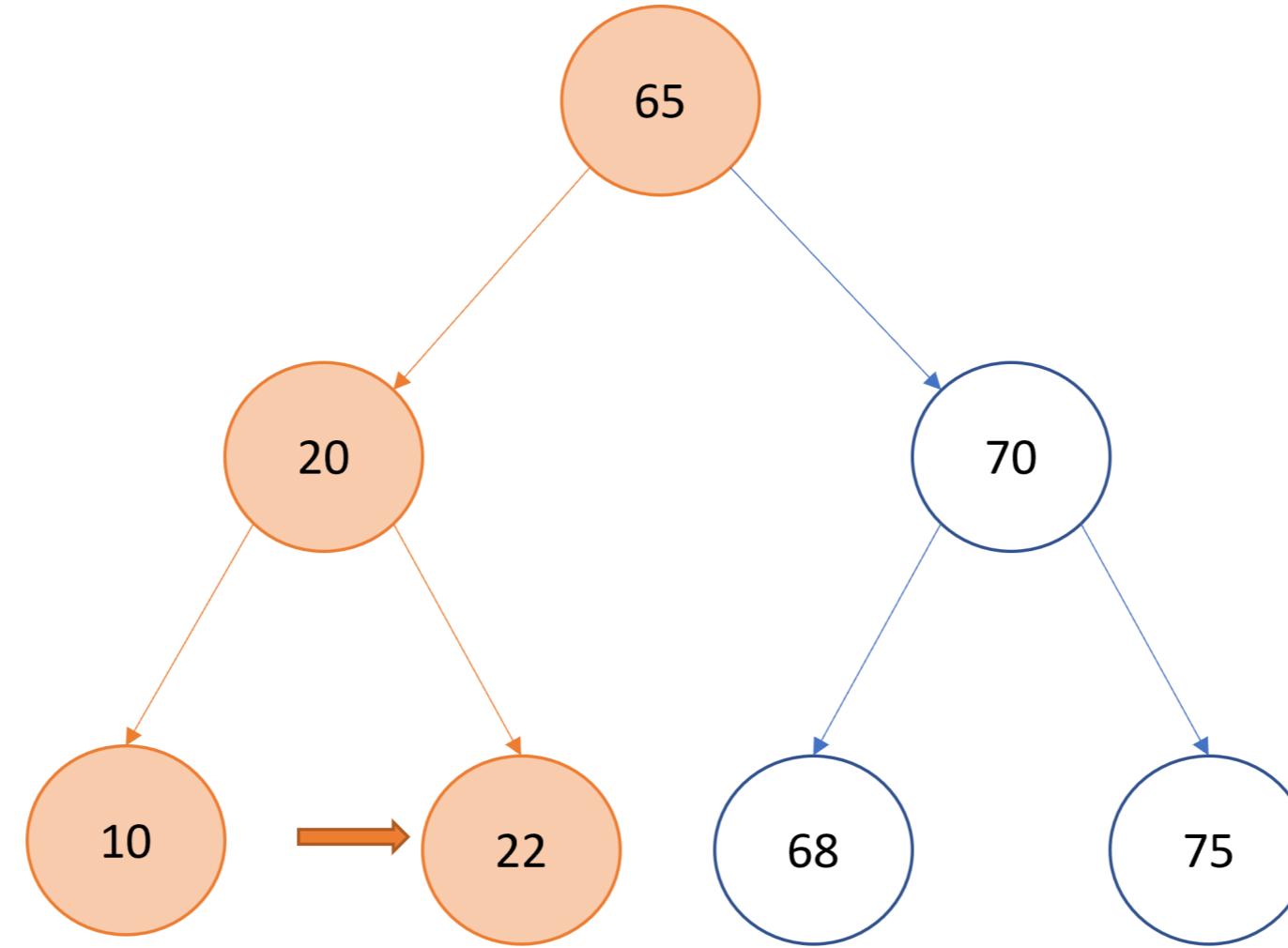
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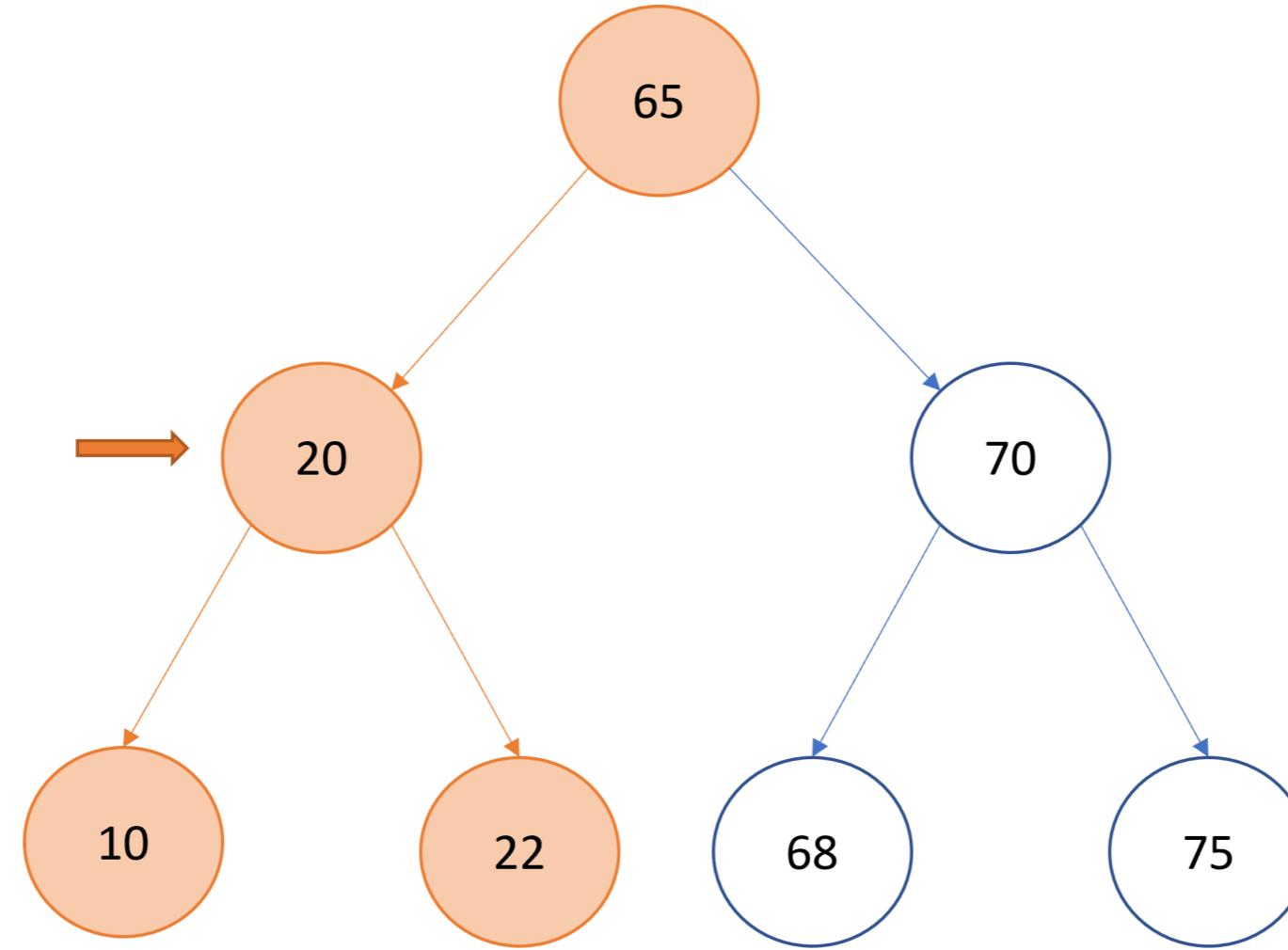
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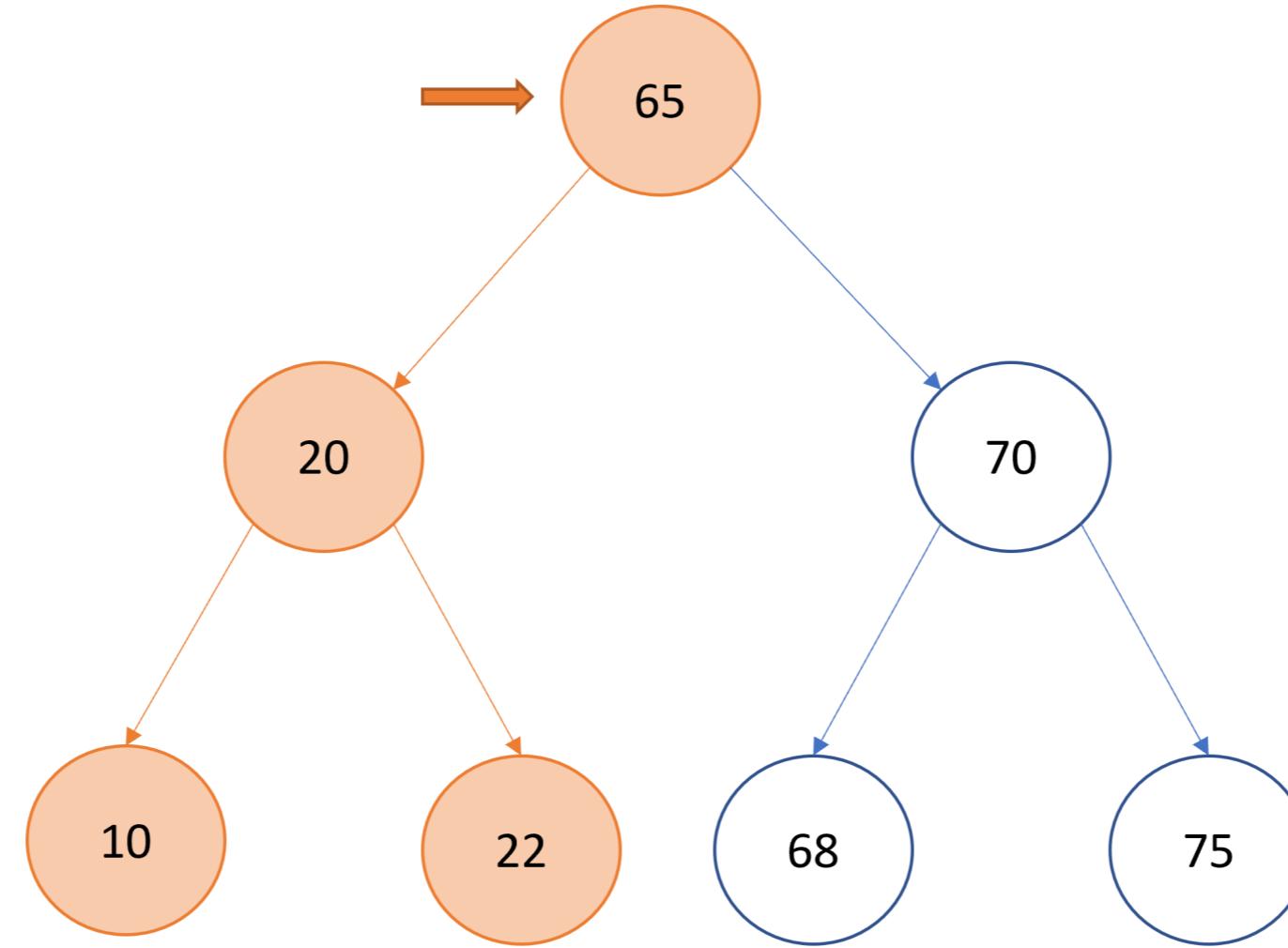
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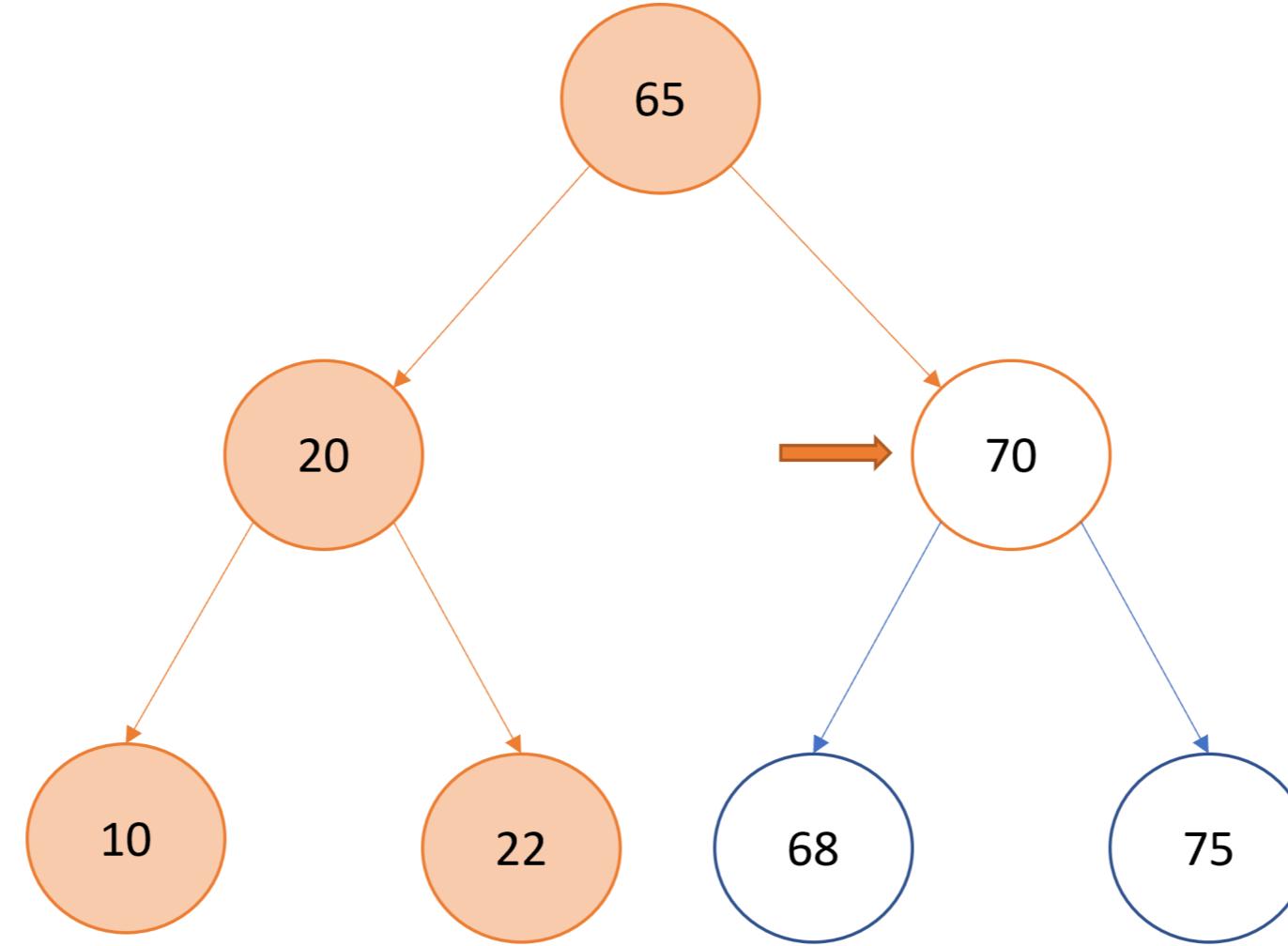
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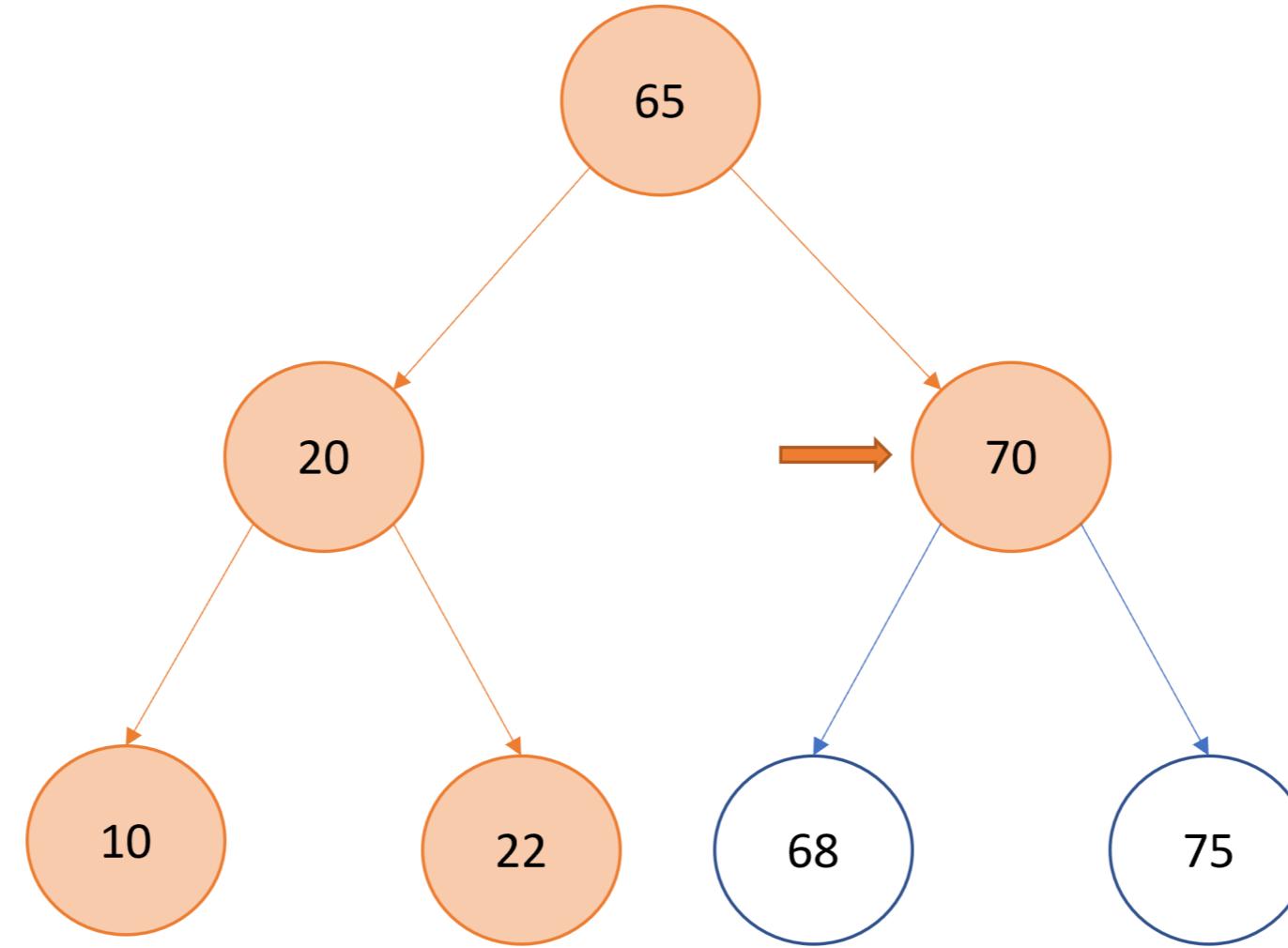
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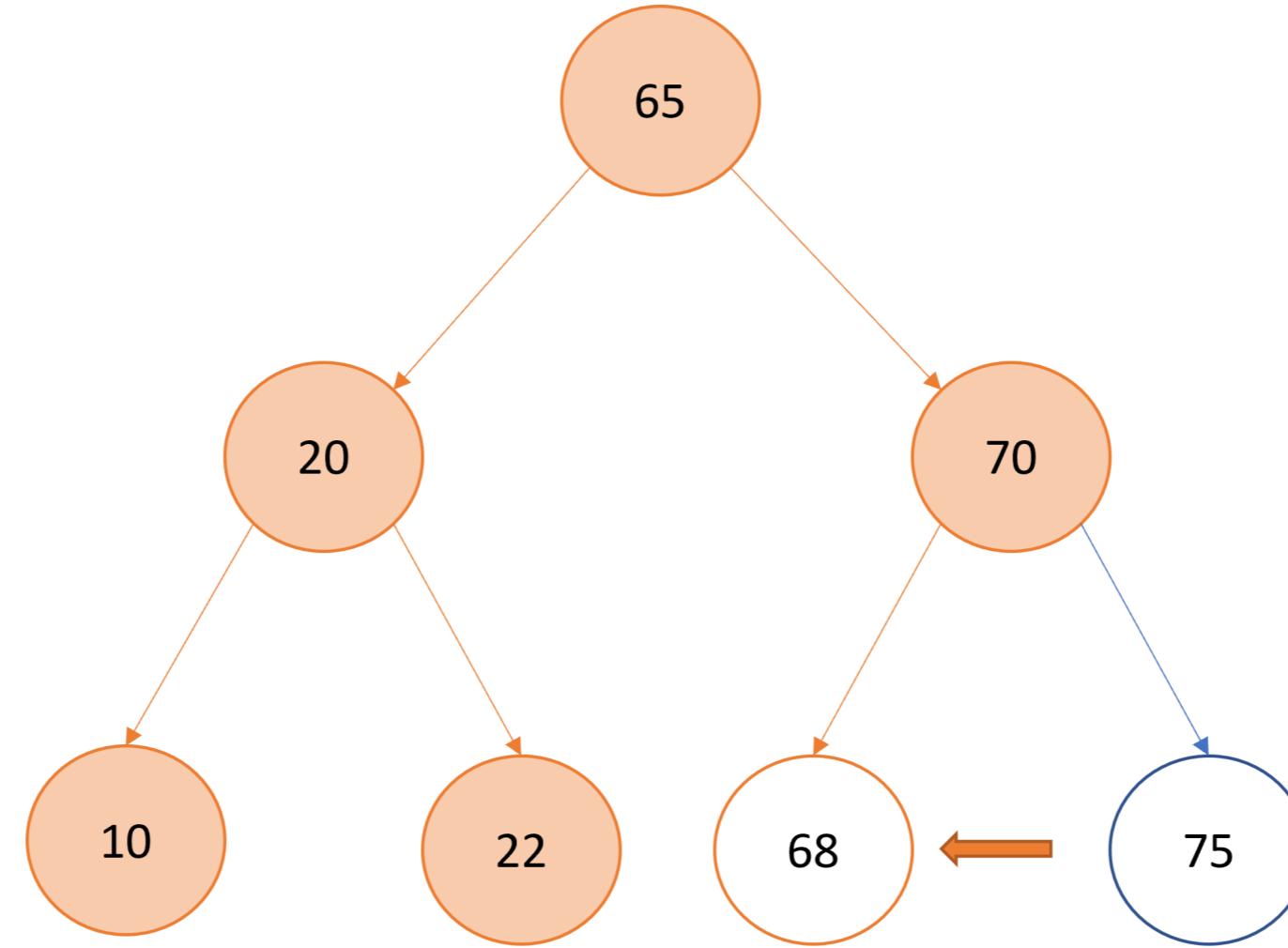
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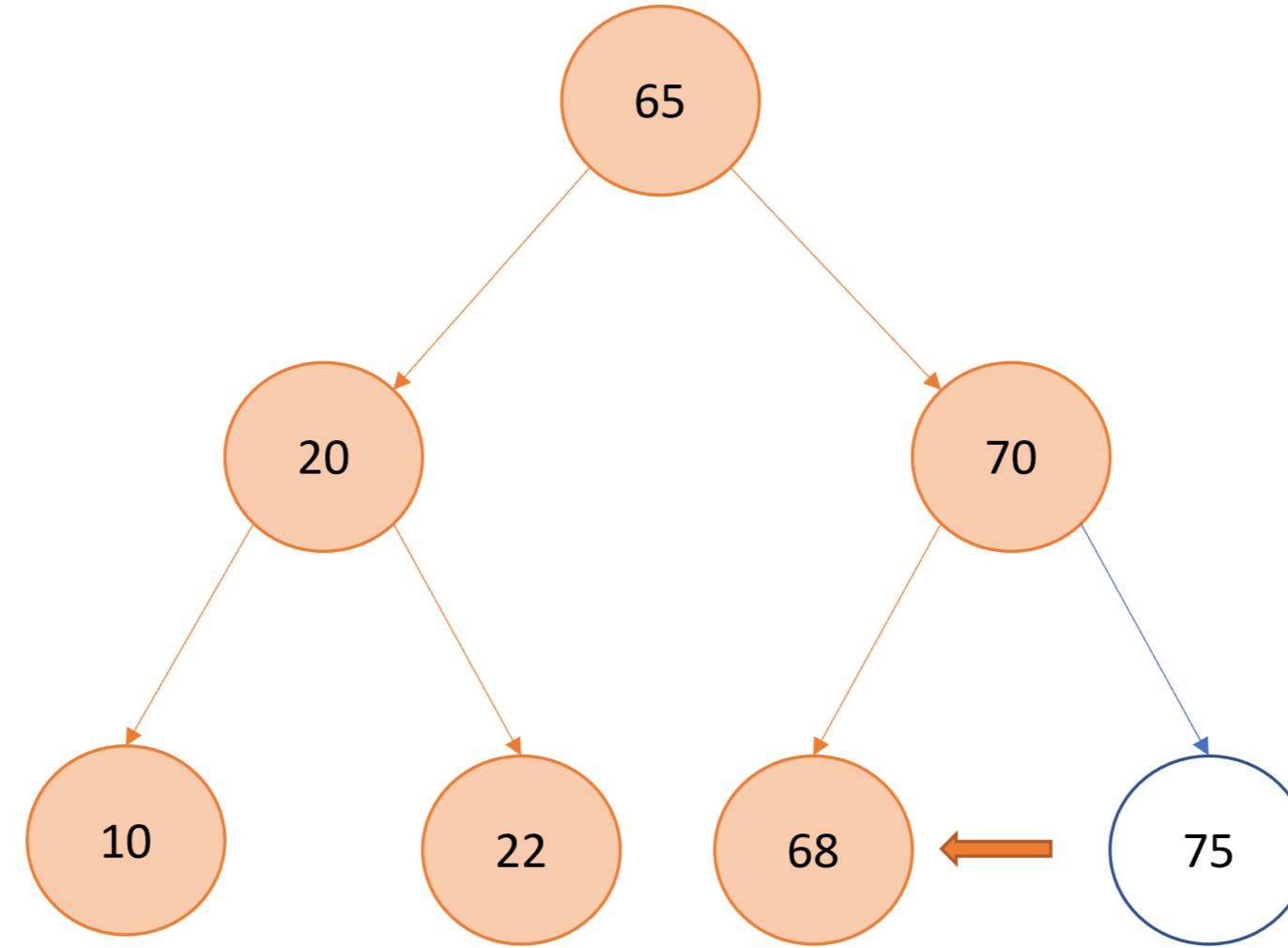
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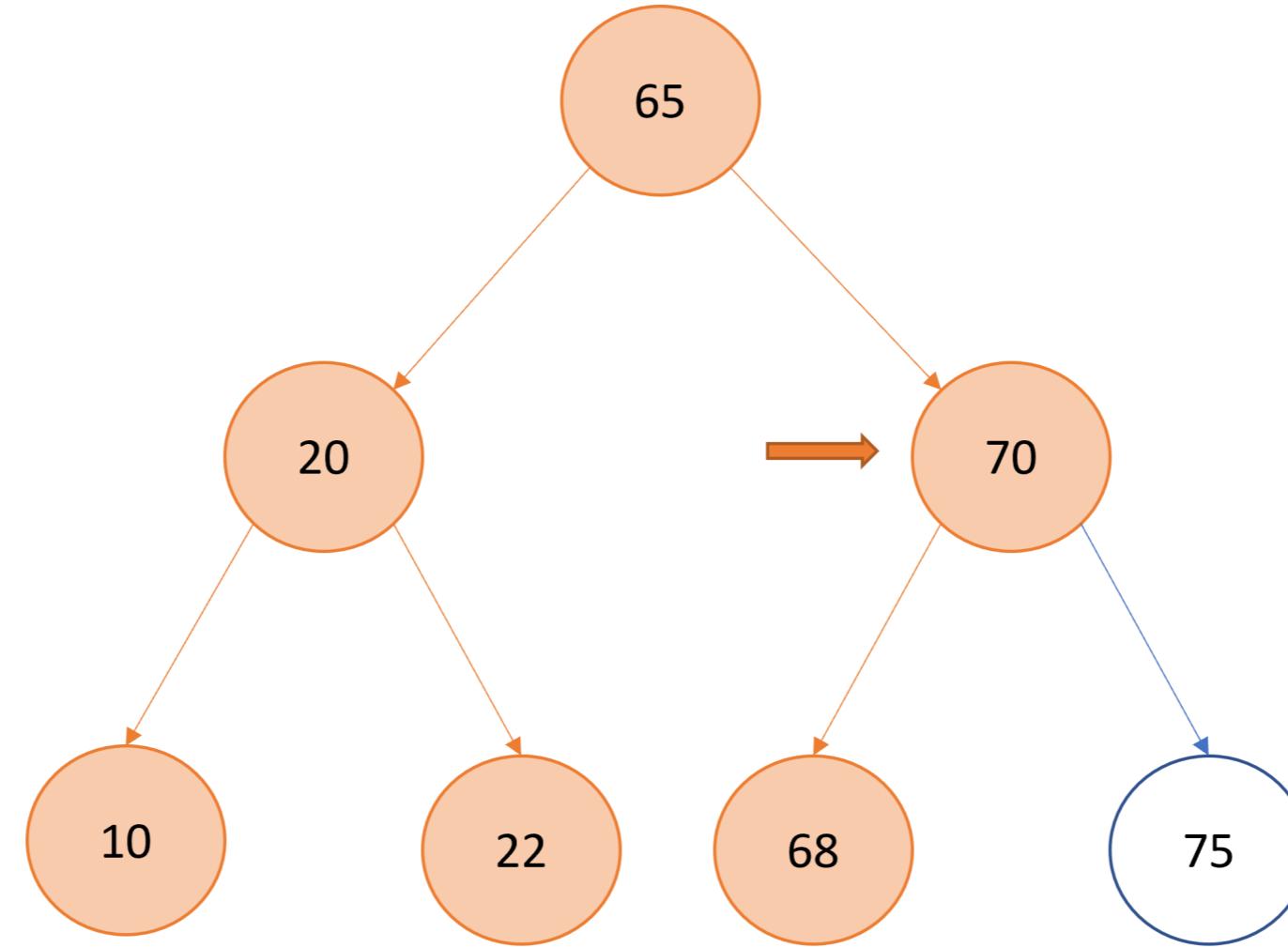
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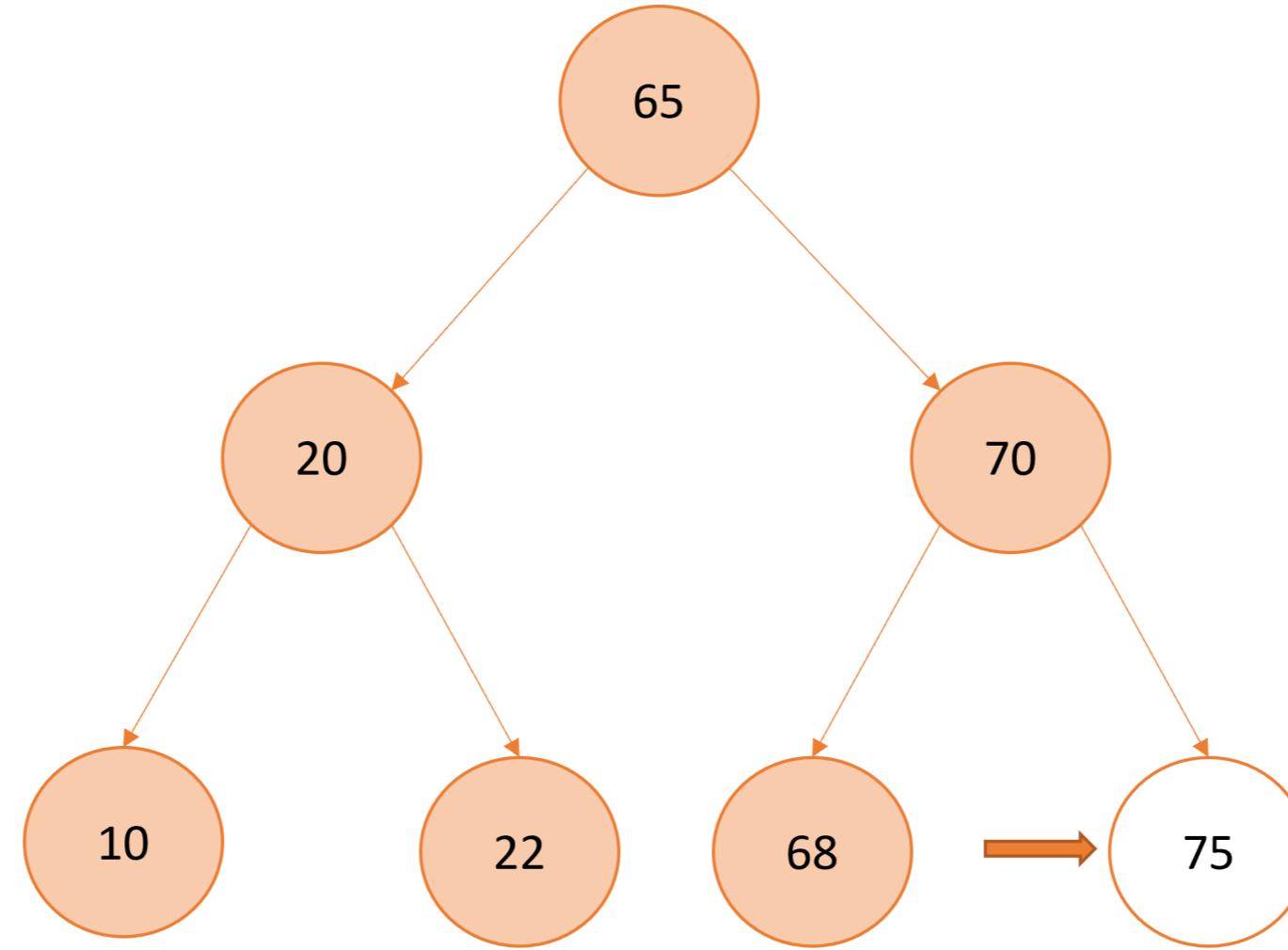
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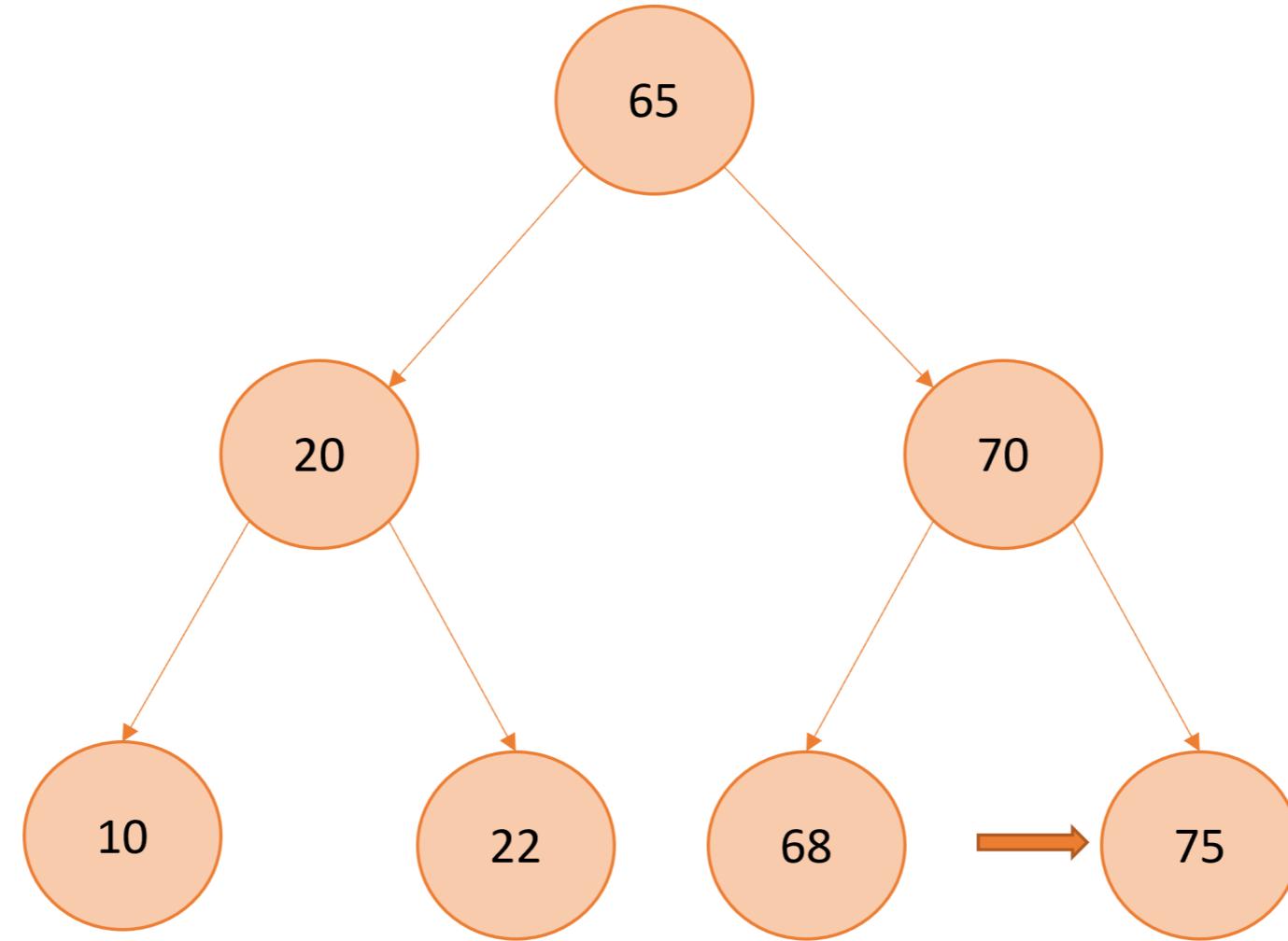
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# Pre-order traversal

- Order: Current -> Left -> Right



Visited nodes: 65, 20, 10, 22, 70, 68, 75

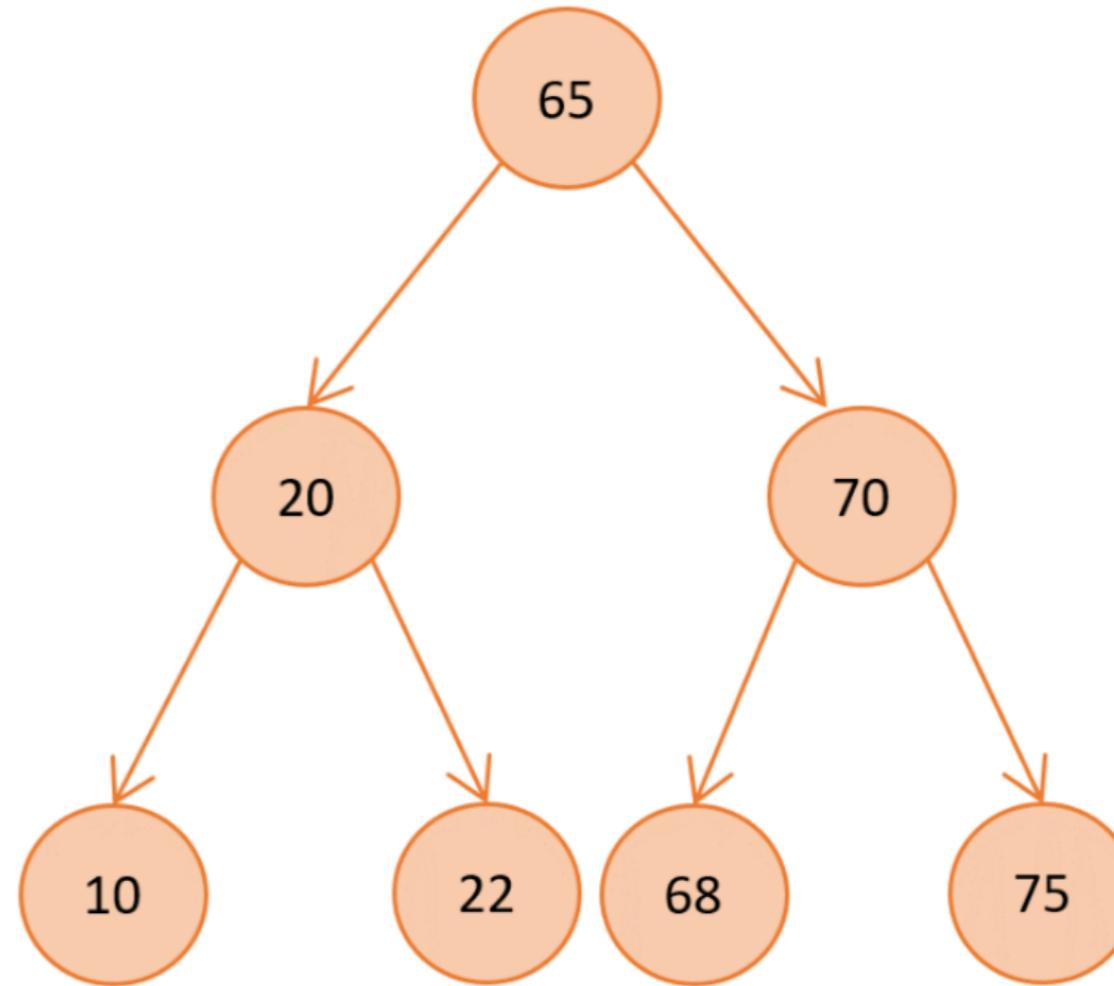
# Pre-order traversal - implementation

- Order: Root -> Left -> Right

```
def pre_order(self, current_node):  
    if current_node:  
        print(current_node.data)  
        self.pre_order(current_node.left_child)  
        self.pre_order(current_node.right_child)
```

```
my_tree.pre_order(my_tree.root)
```

```
65  
20  
10  
22  
70  
68  
75
```



- Complexity:  $O(n)$ 
  - $n \rightarrow$  number of nodes

# Post-order

- Order: Left

# Post-order

- Order: Left -> Right

# Post-order

- Order: Left -> Right -> Current
- Complexity:  $O(n)$ 
  - $n \rightarrow$  number of nodes

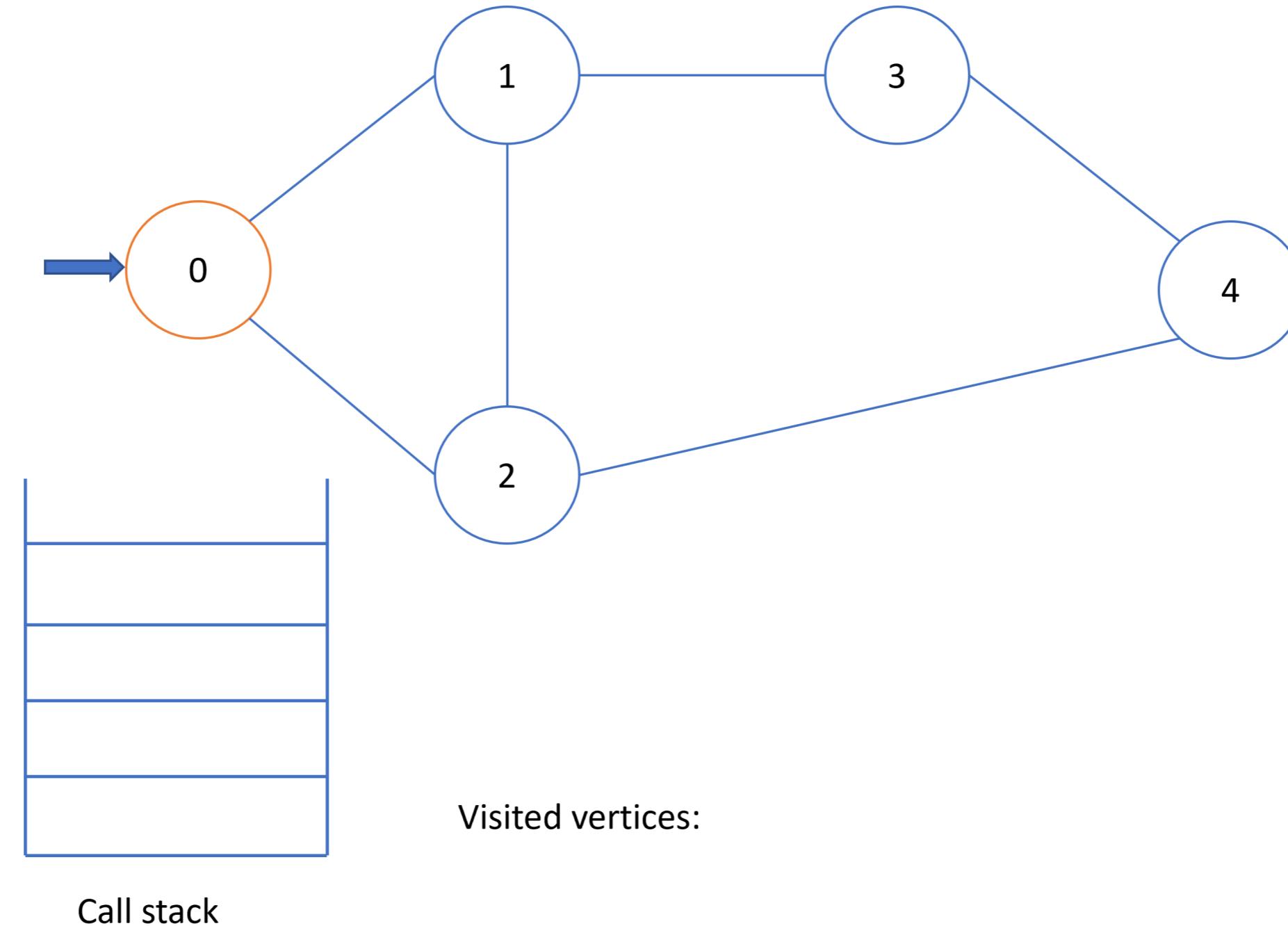
# When to use in-order, pre-order, and post-order

- **in-order**
  - used BST to obtain the node's values in ascending order
- **pre-order**
  - create copies of a tree
  - get prefix expressions
- **post-order**
  - delete binary trees
  - get postfix expressions

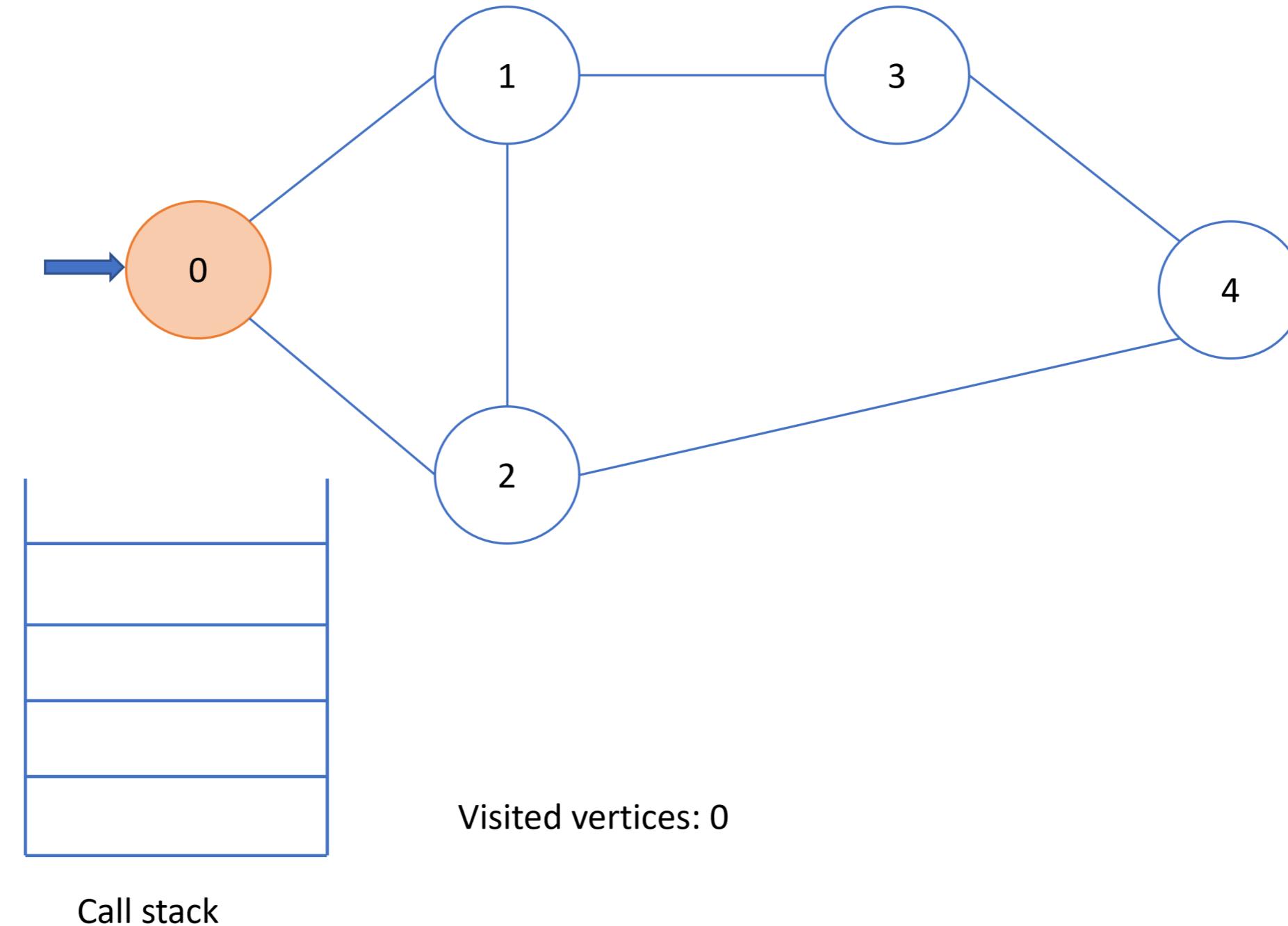
# Depth first search - graphs

- Graphs can have cycles
  - need to keep track of visited vertices
- Steps:
  1. Start at any vertex
  2. Tracks current vertex to visited vertices list
  3. For each current node's adjacent vertex
    - If it has been visited -> ignore it
    - If it hasn't been visited -> recursively perform DFS

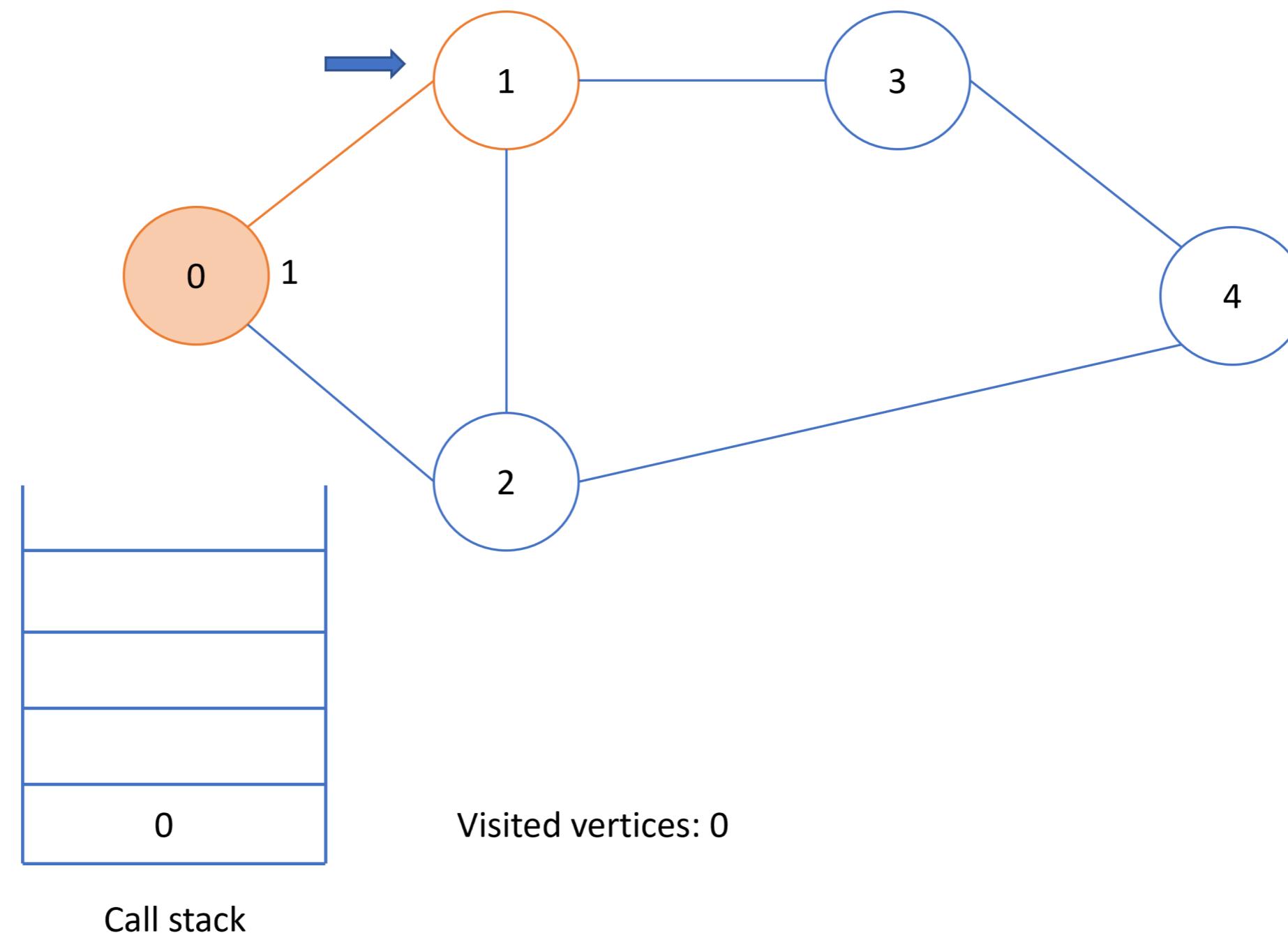
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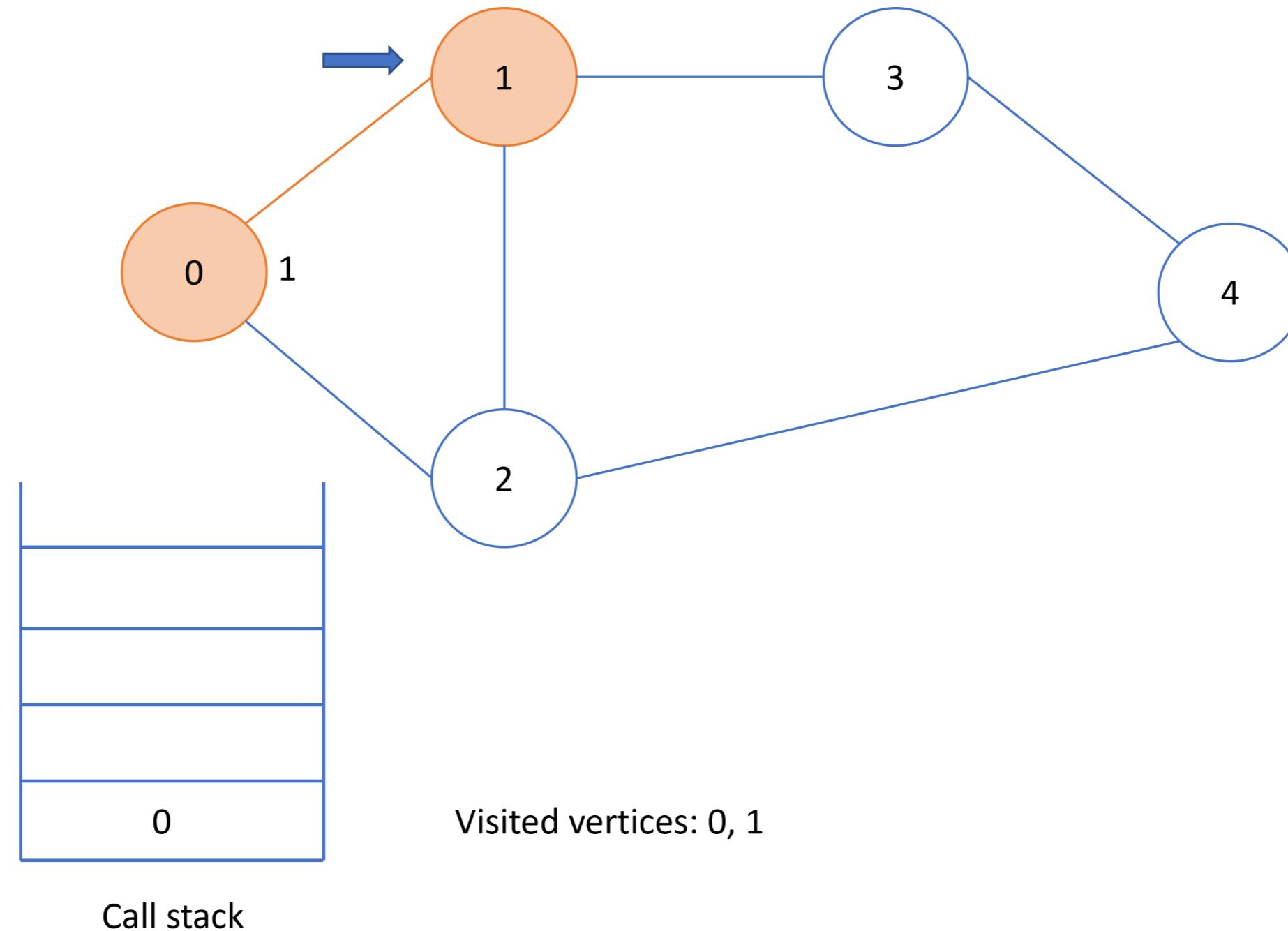
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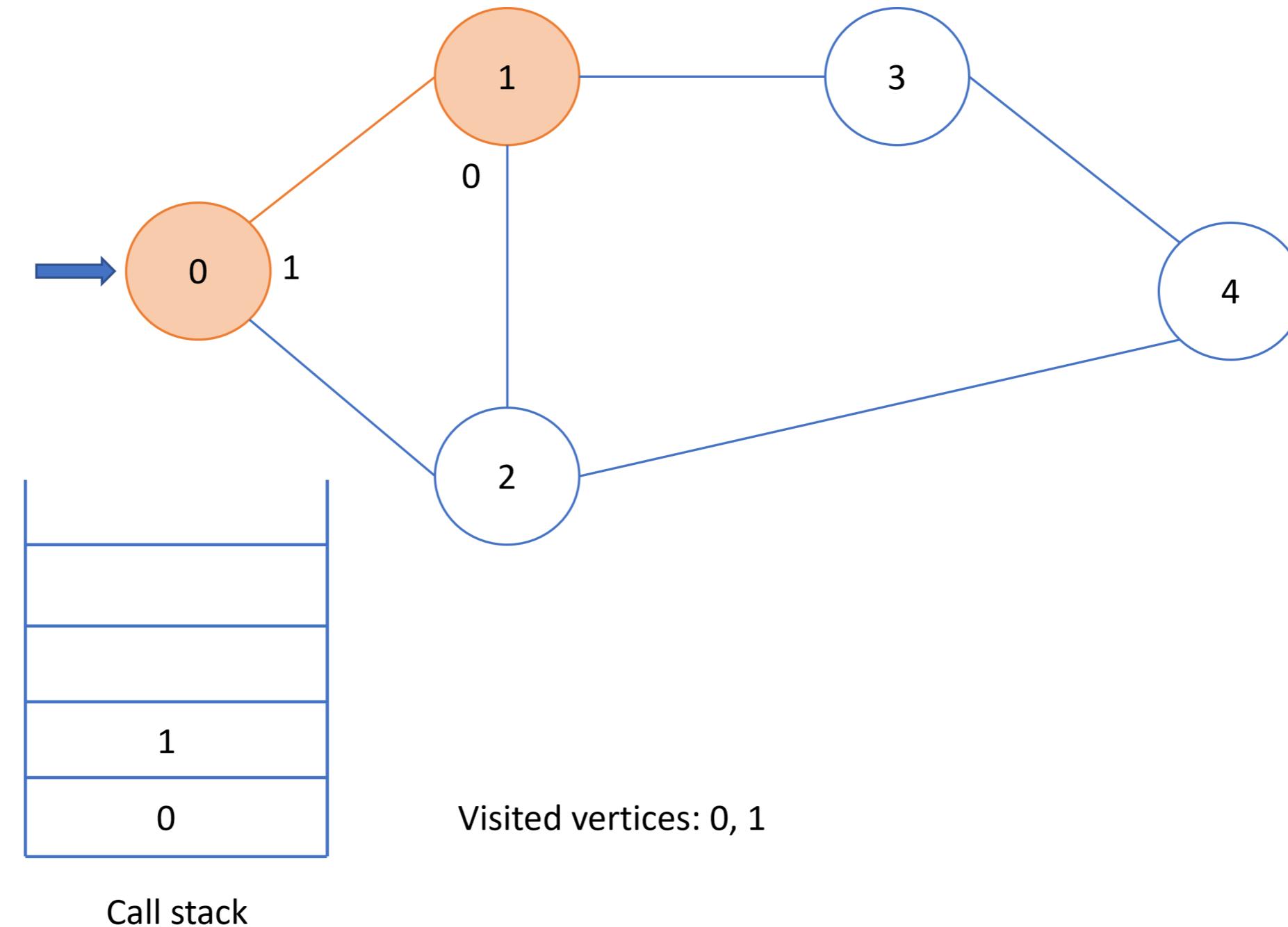
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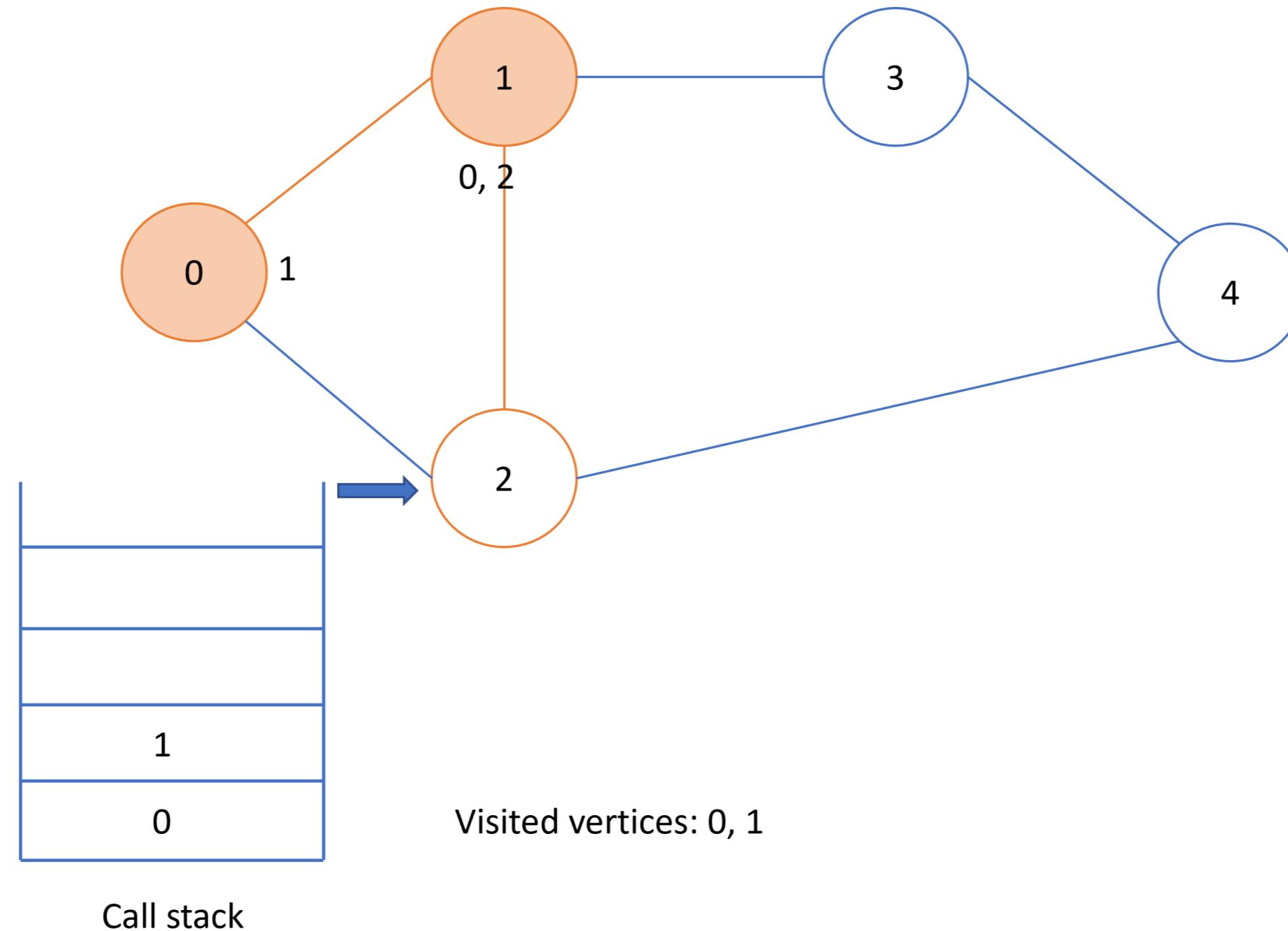
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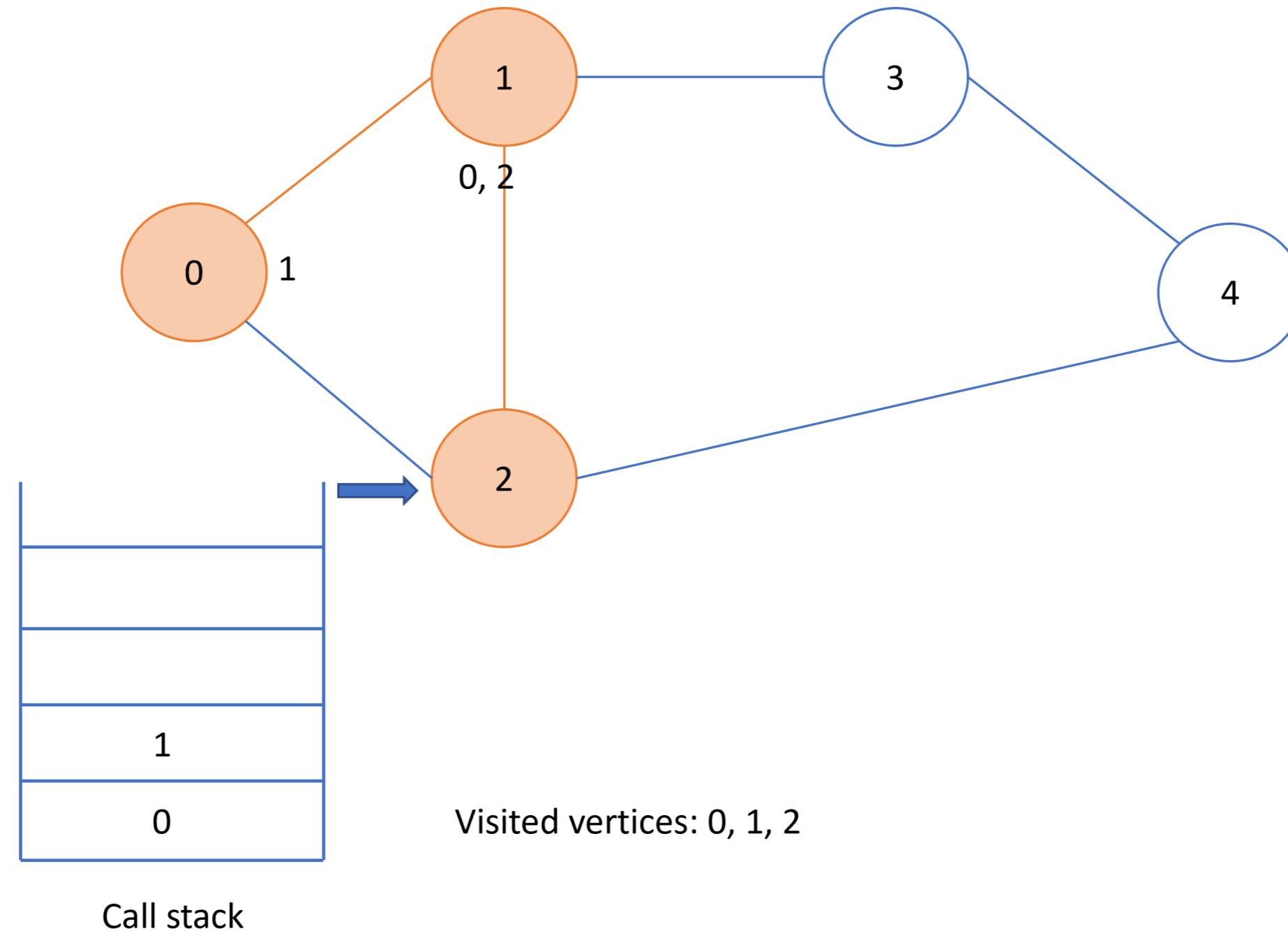
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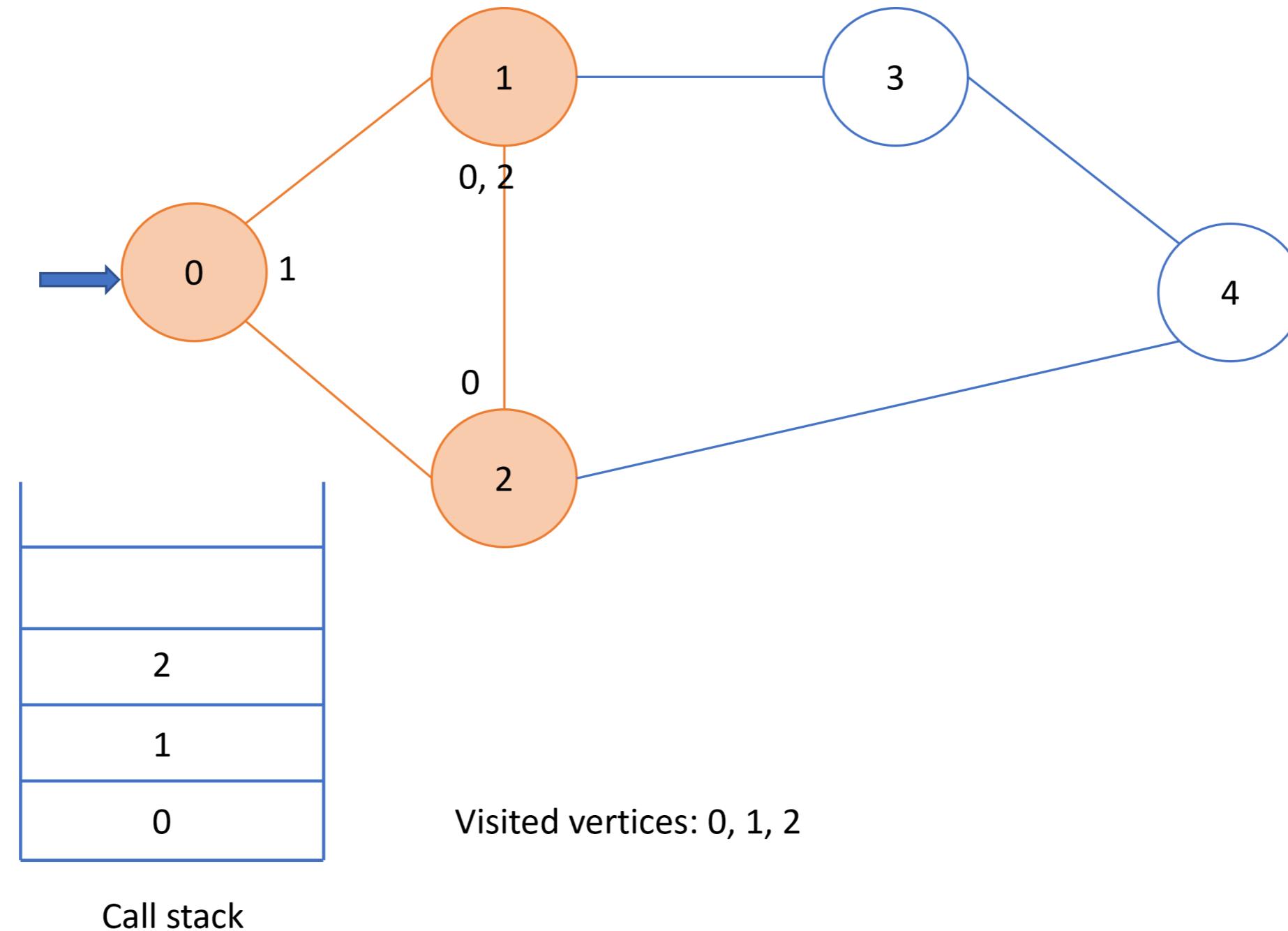
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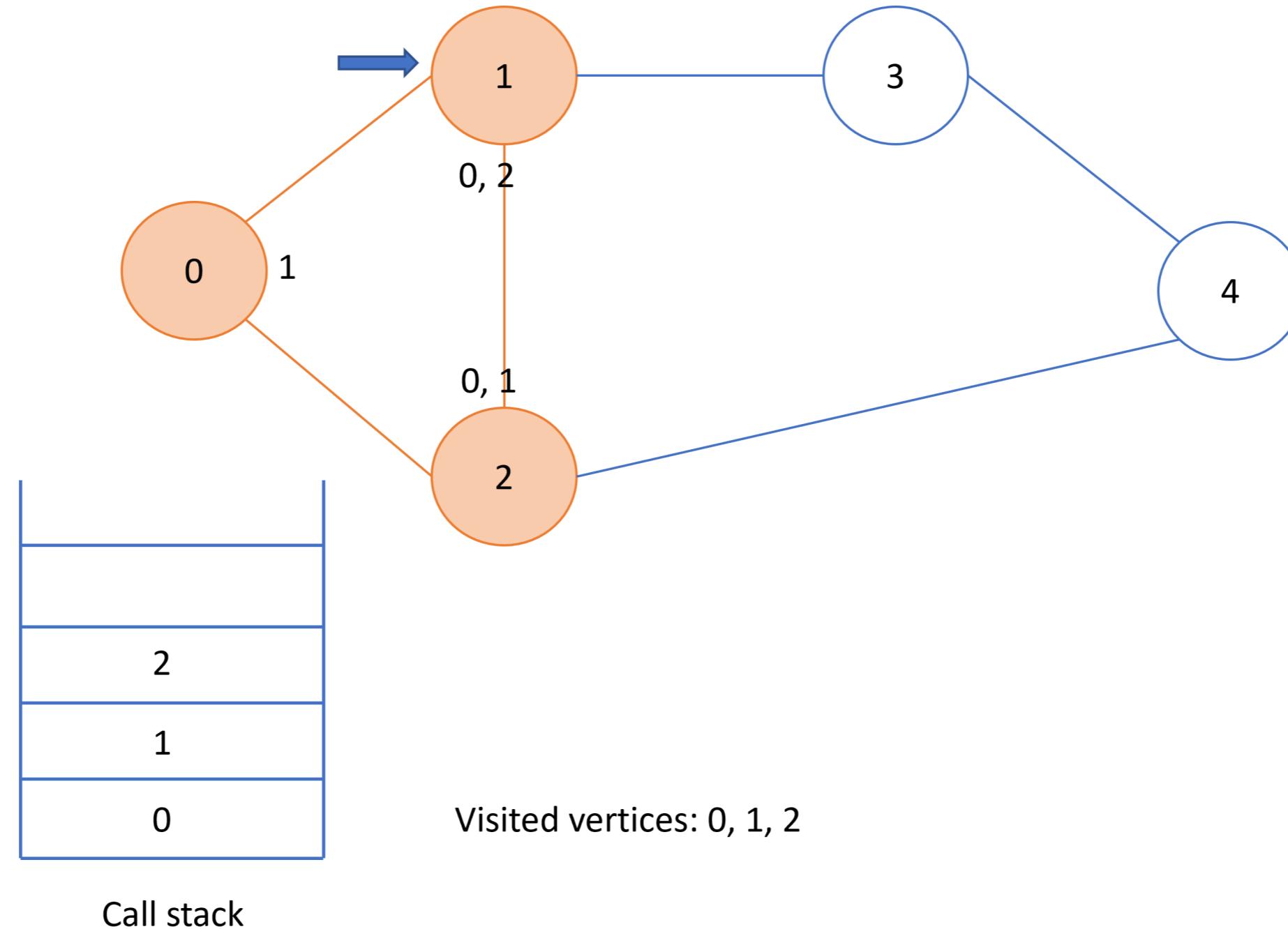
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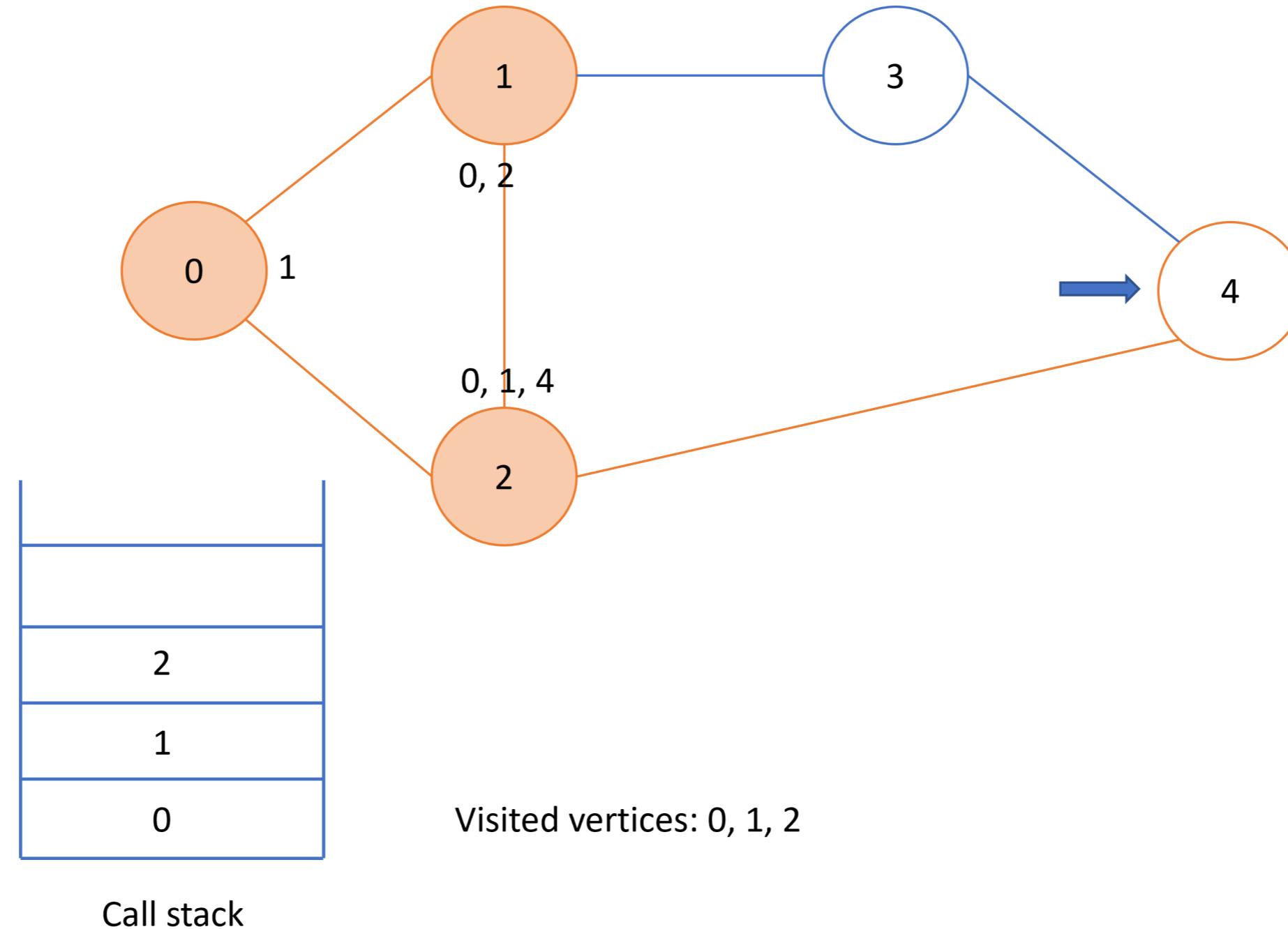
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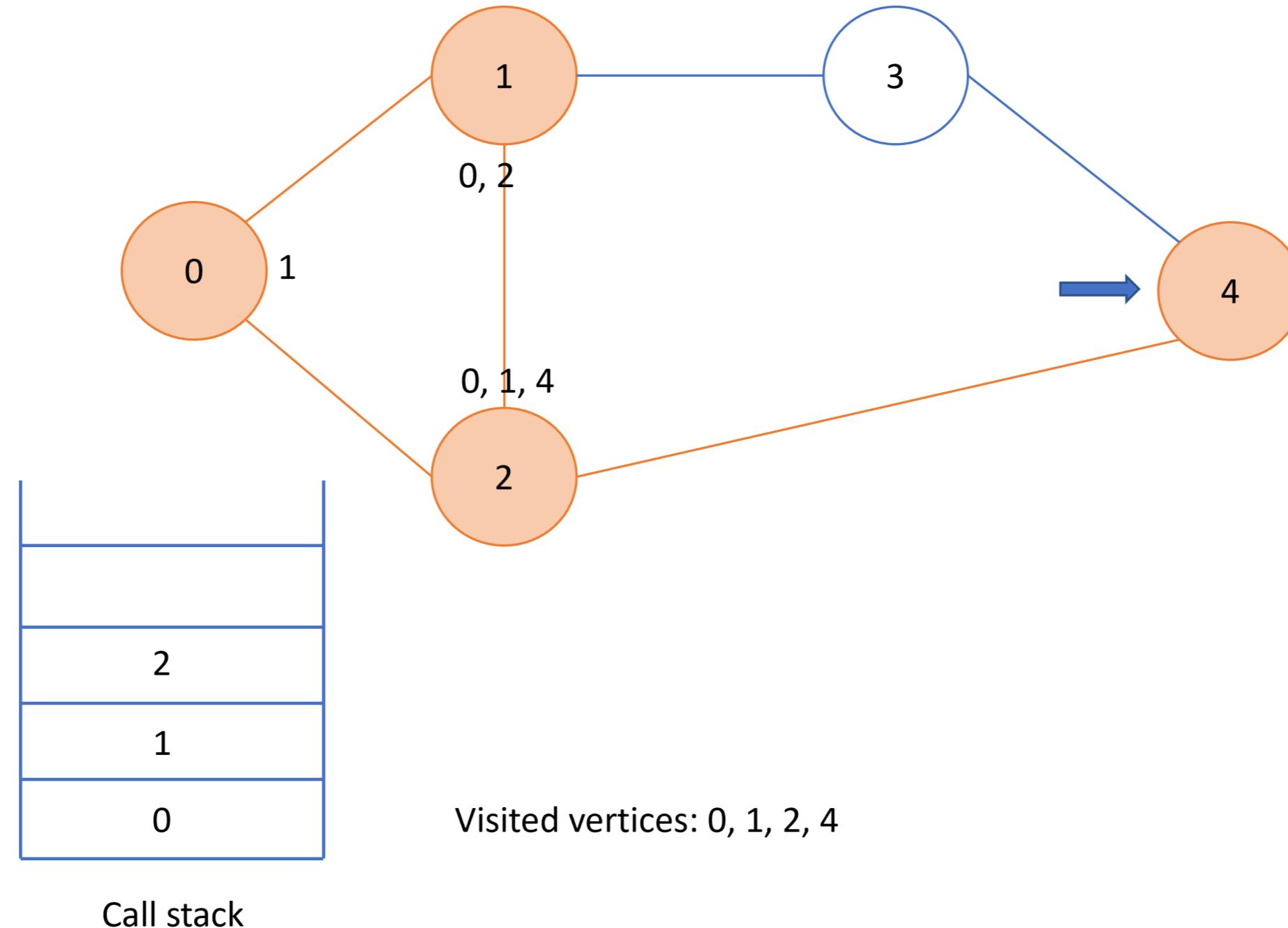
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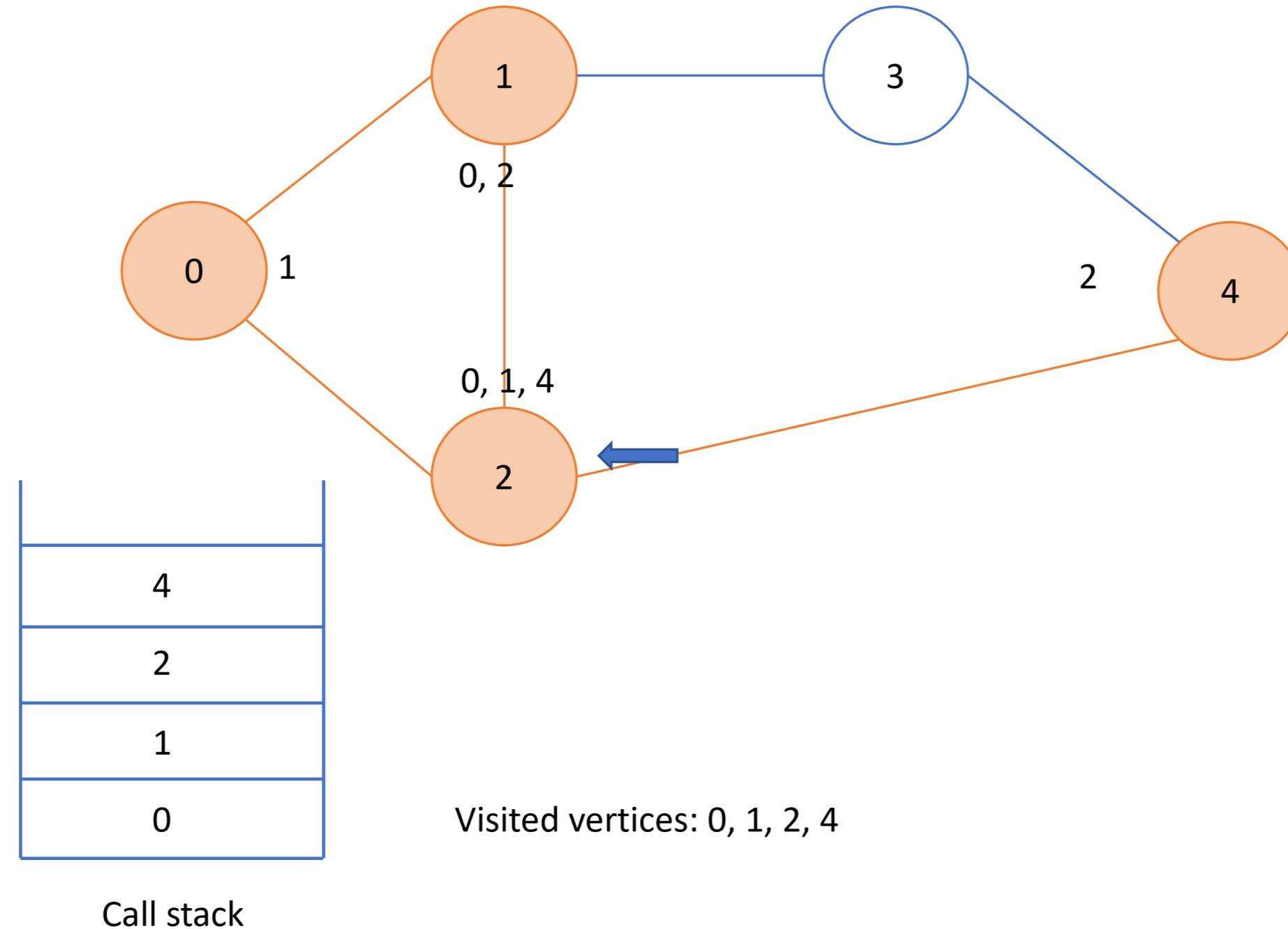
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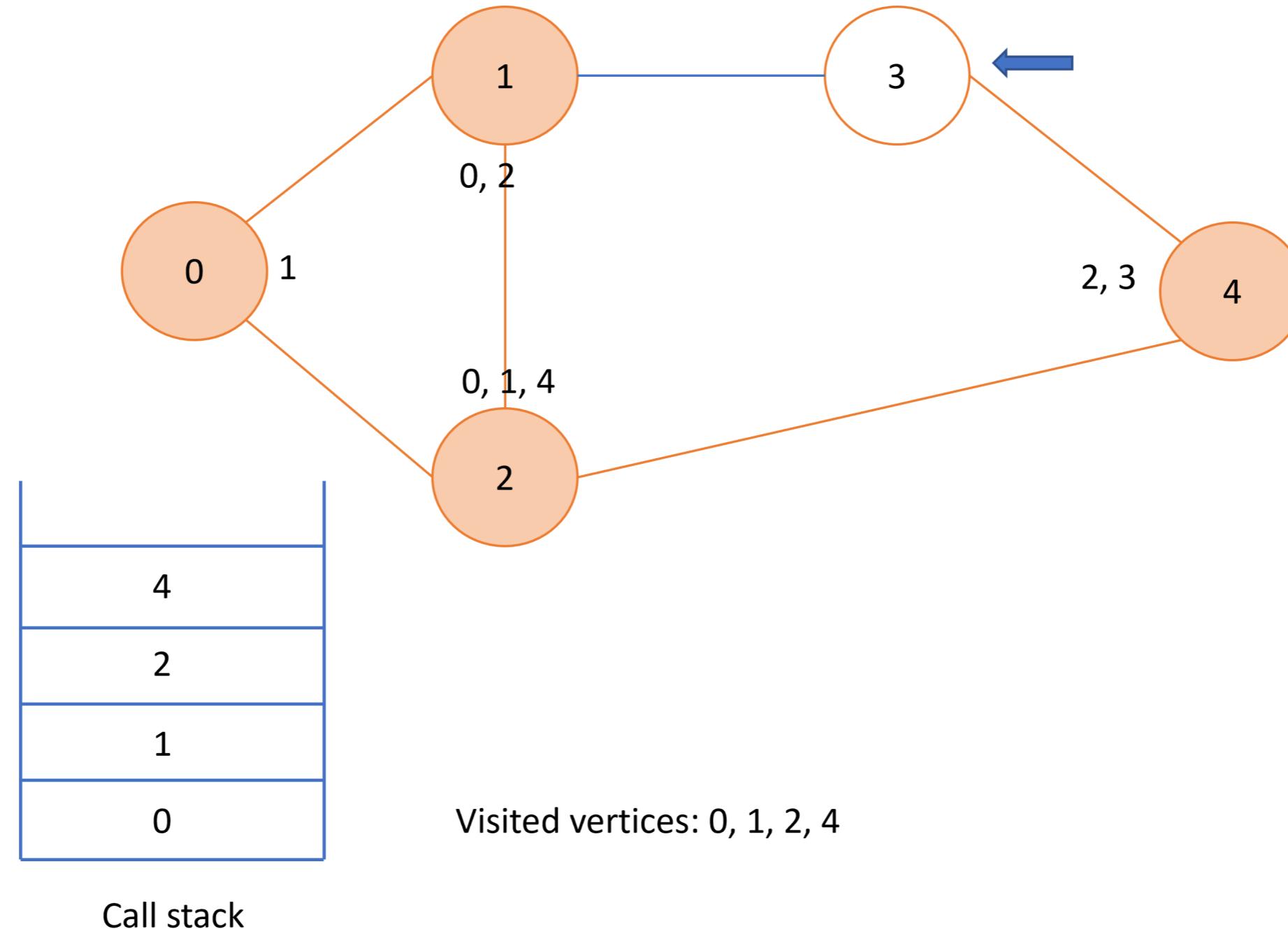
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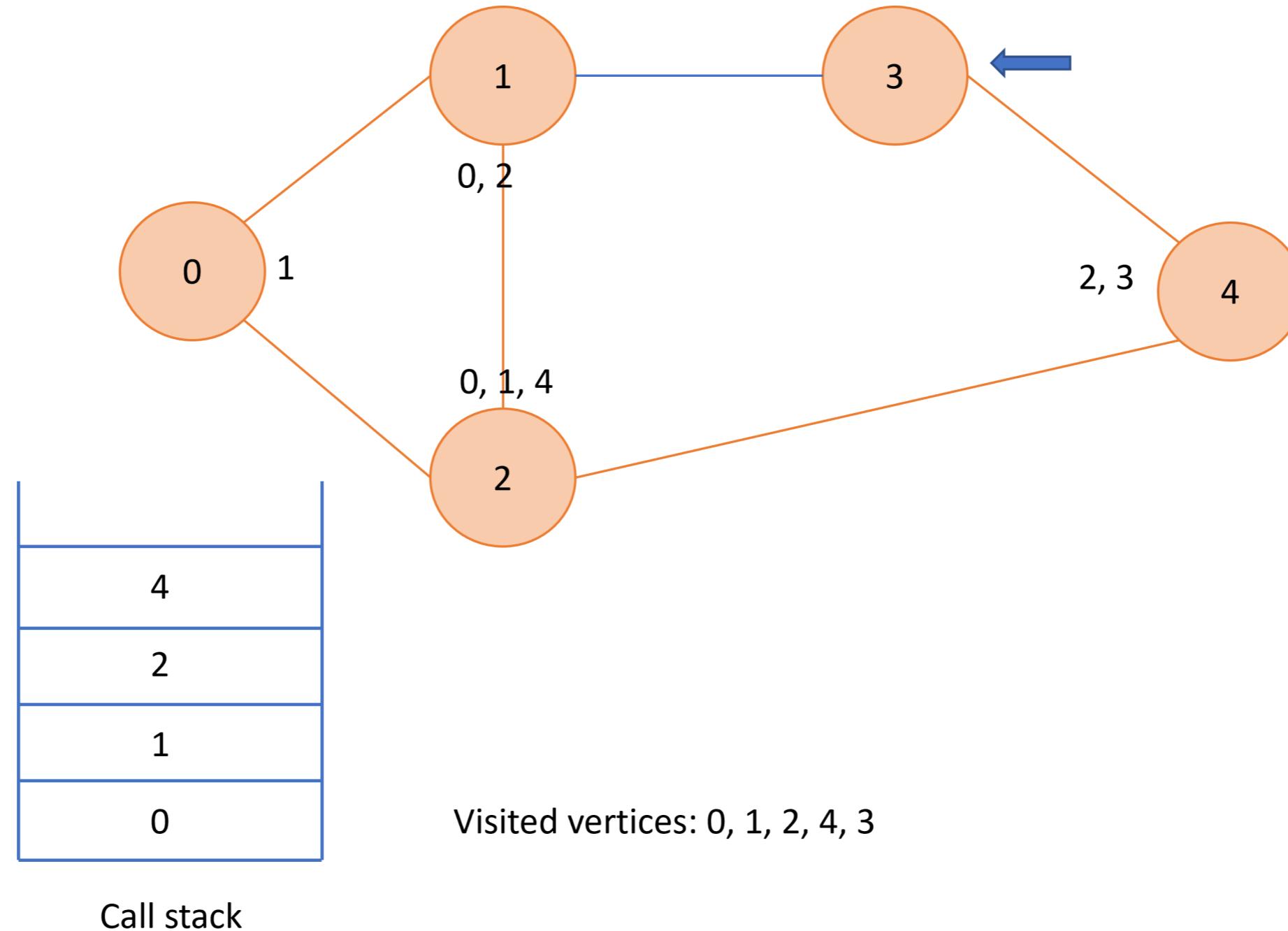
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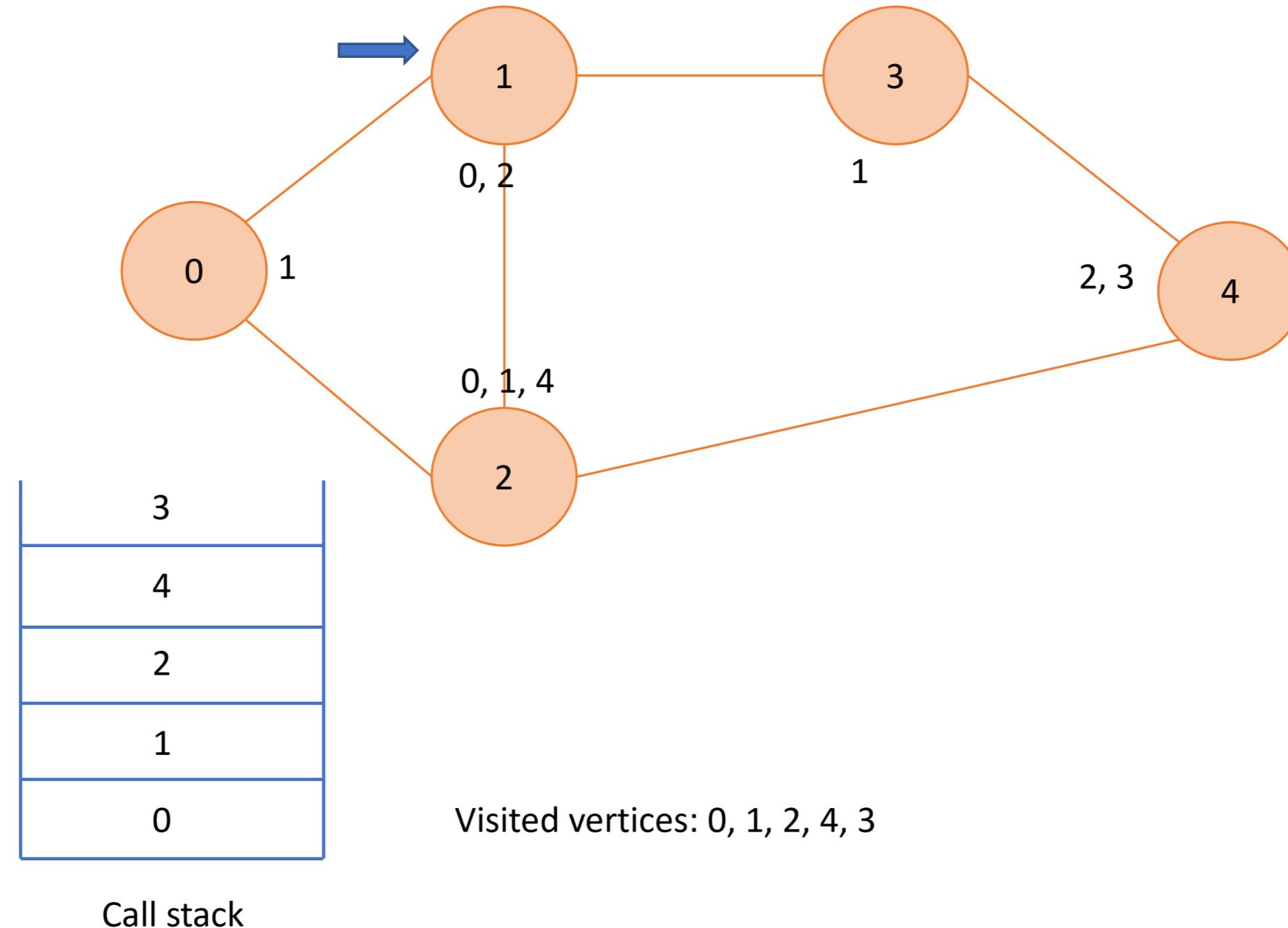
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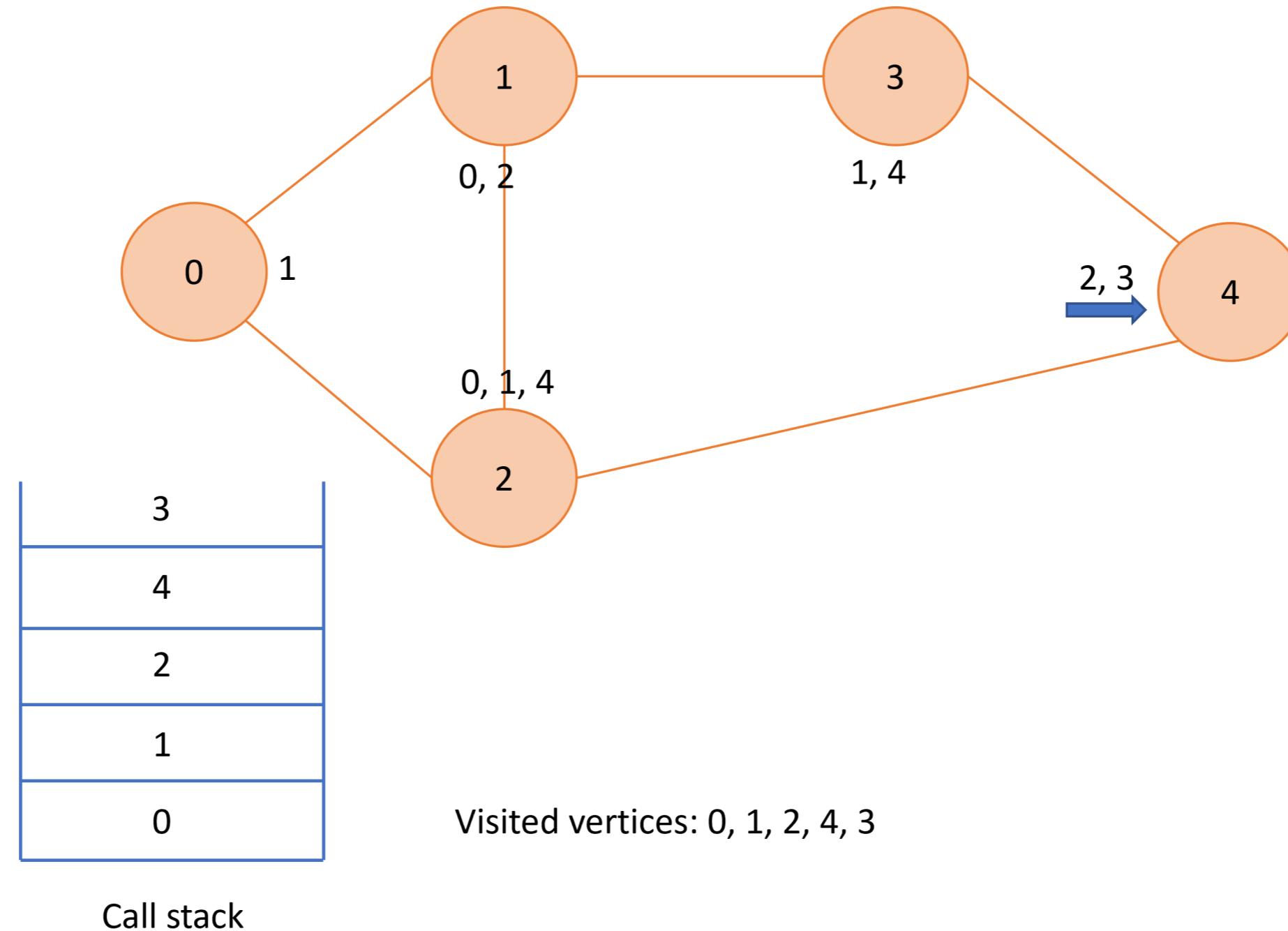
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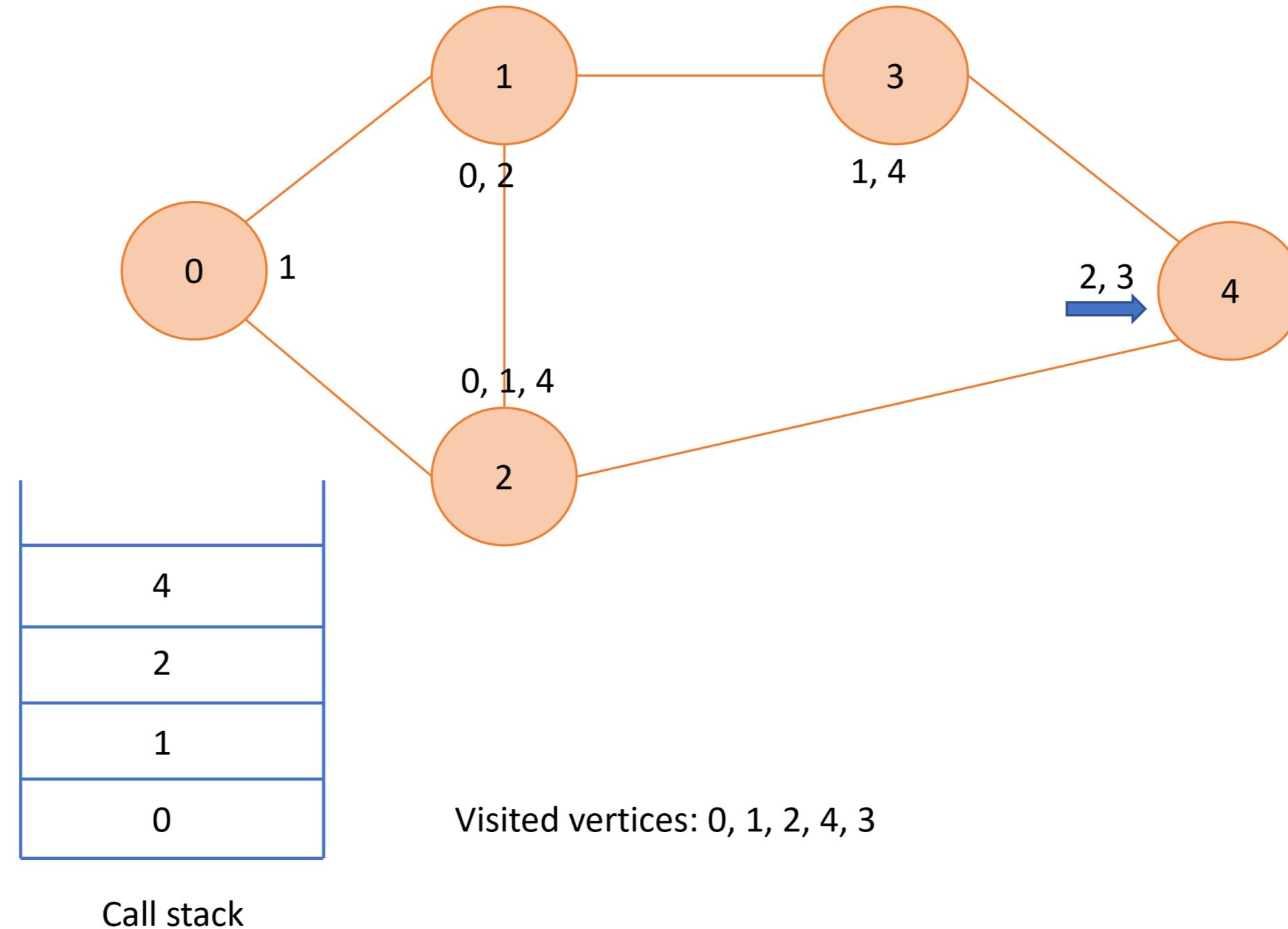
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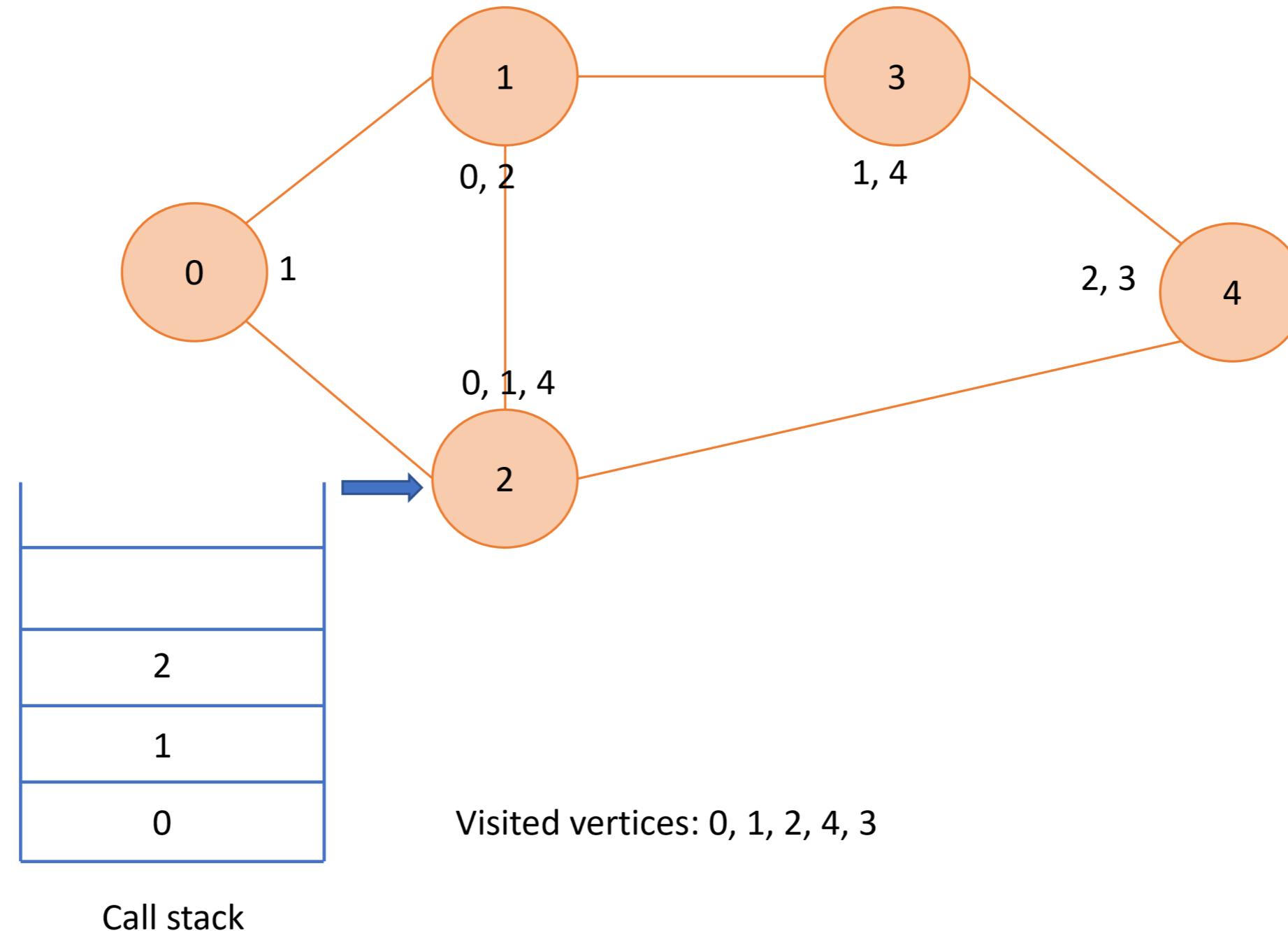
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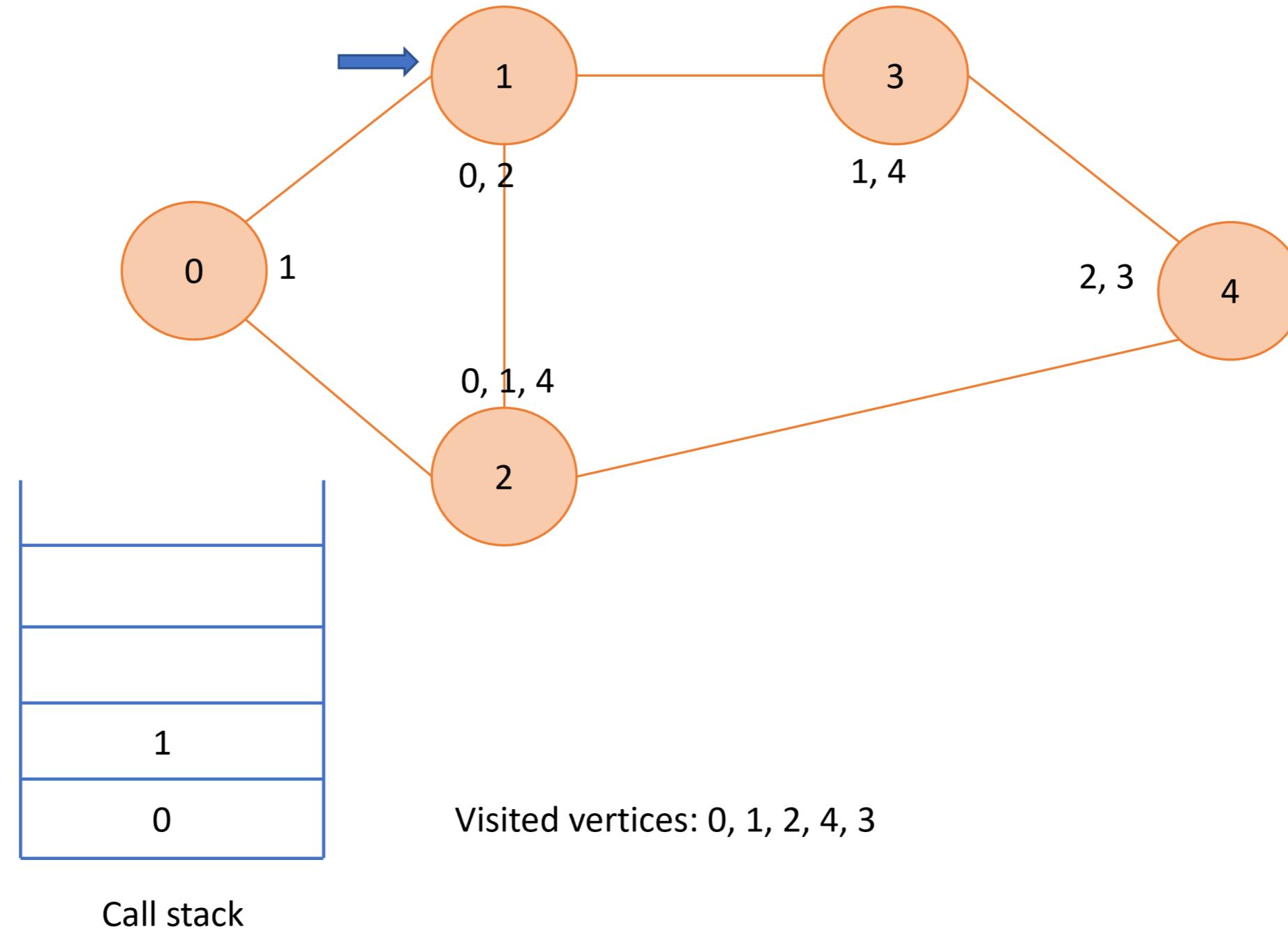
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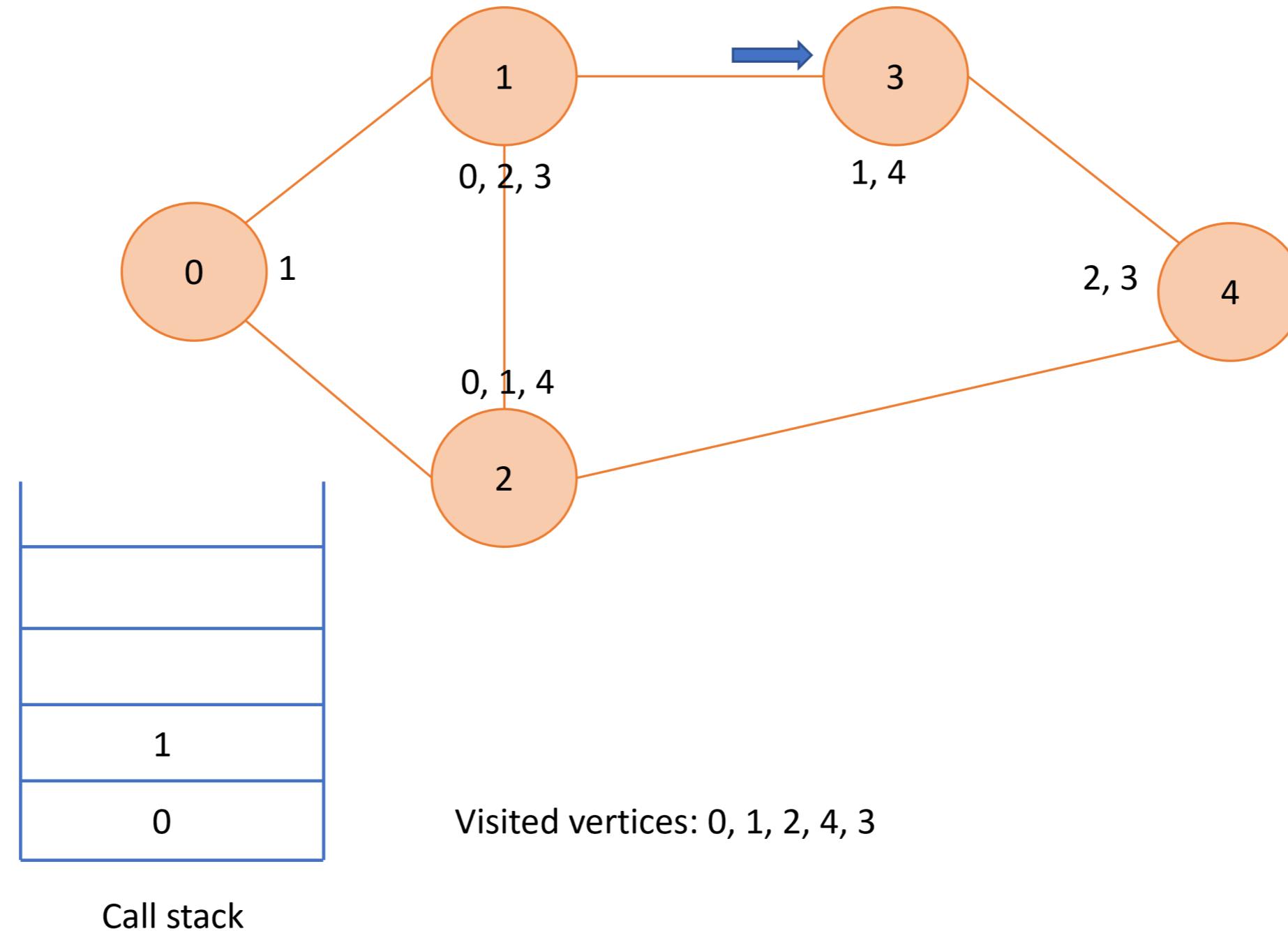
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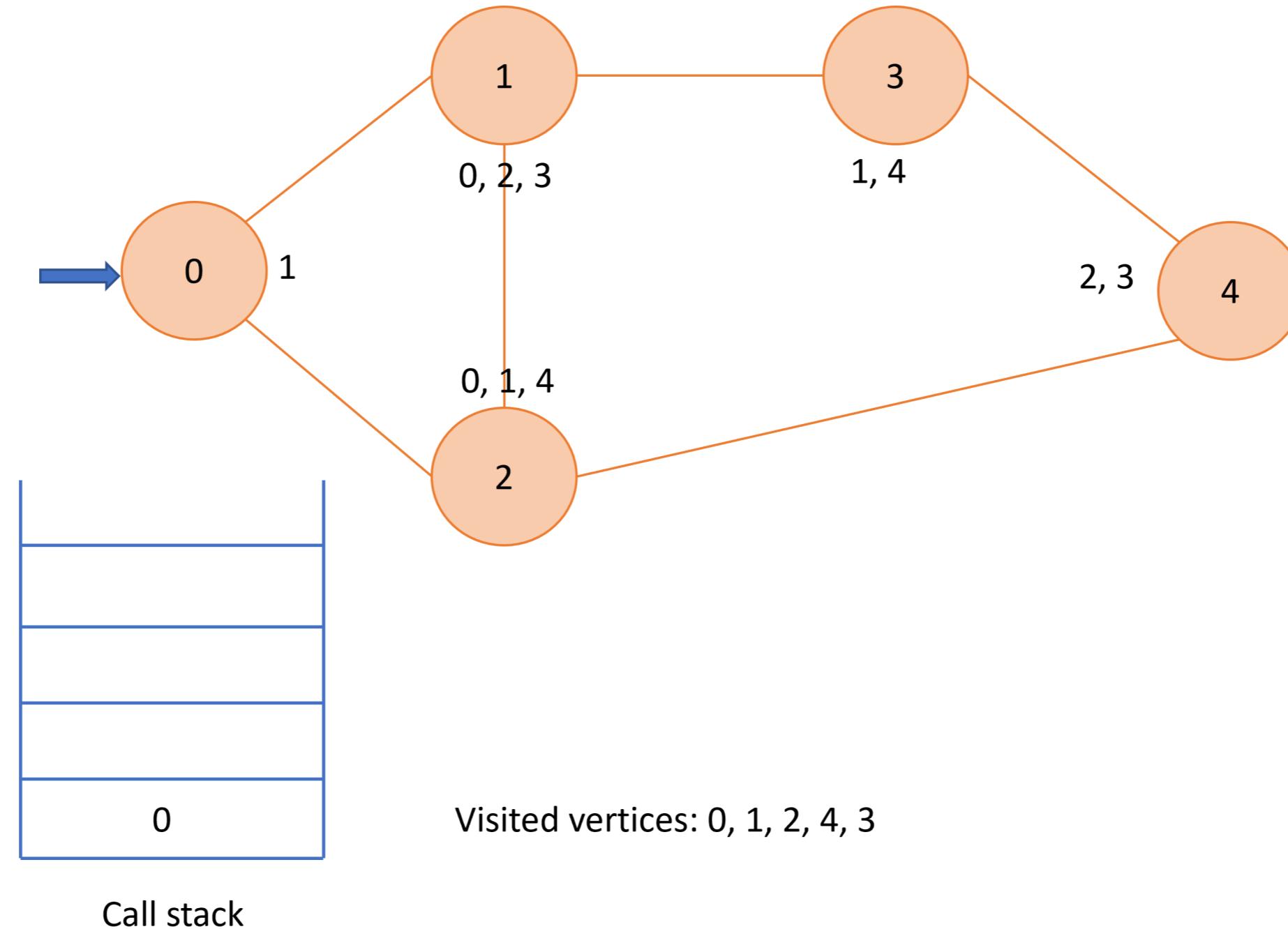
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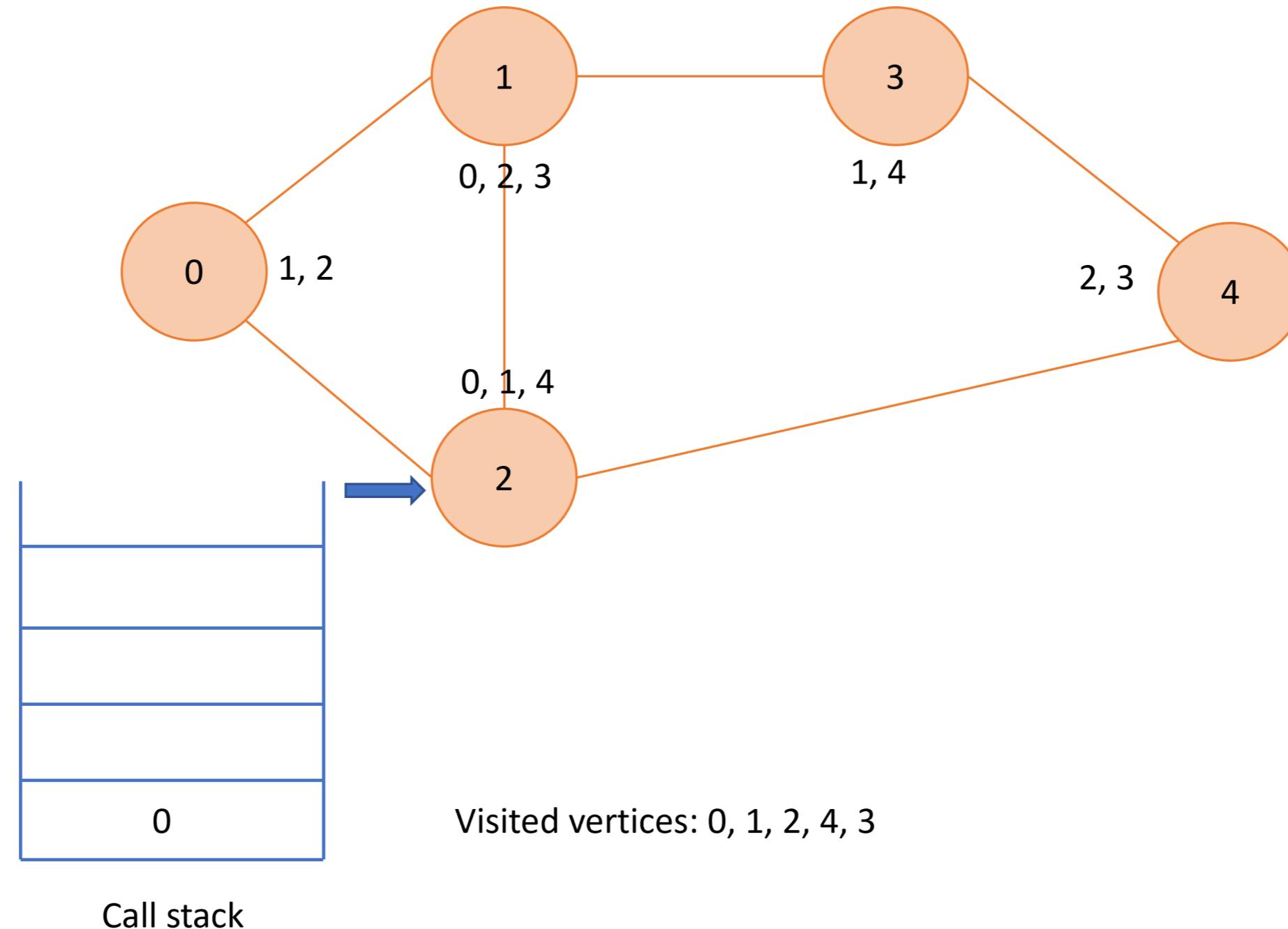
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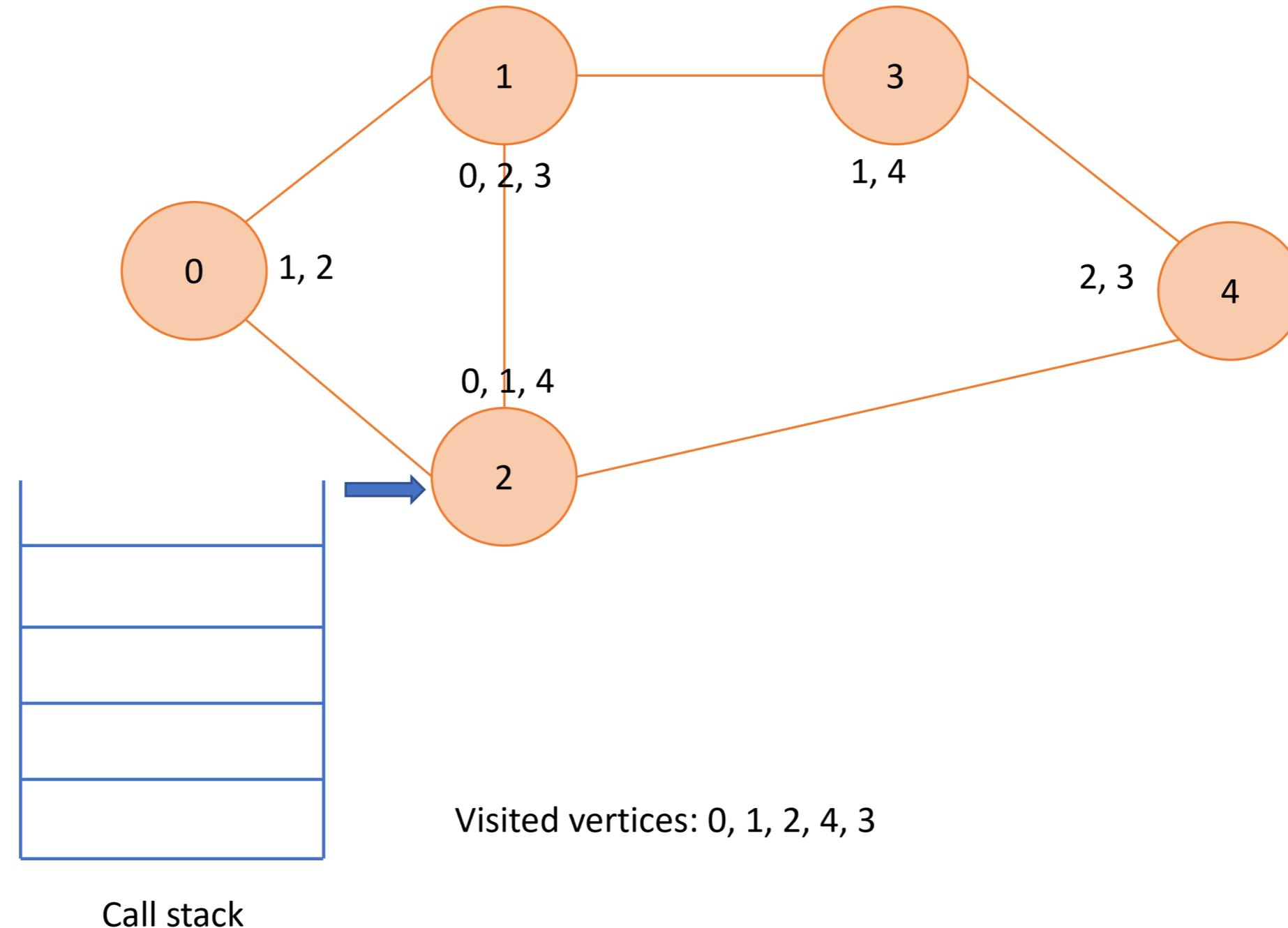
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# Depth first search - implementation

```
def dfs(visited_vertices, graph, current_vertex):
    if current_vertex not in visited_vertices:
        print(current_vertex)
        visited_vertices.add(current_vertex)
        for adjacent_vertex in graph[current_vertex]:
            dfs(visited_vertices, graph, adjacent_vertex)
```

- Complexity:  $O(V + E)$ 
  - $V$  -> number of vertices
  - $E$  -> number of edges

# **Let's practice!**

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# Breadth First Search (BFS)

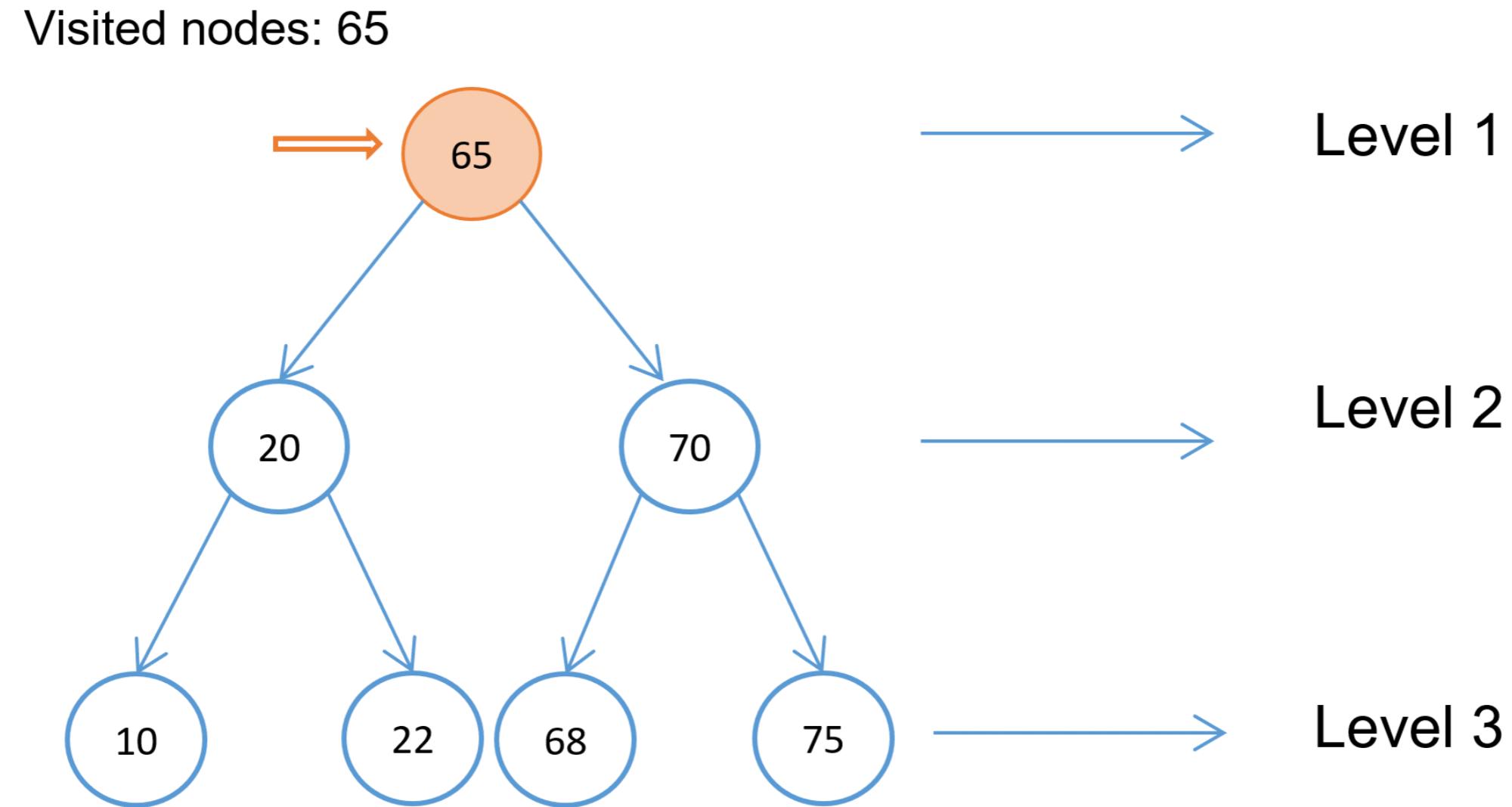
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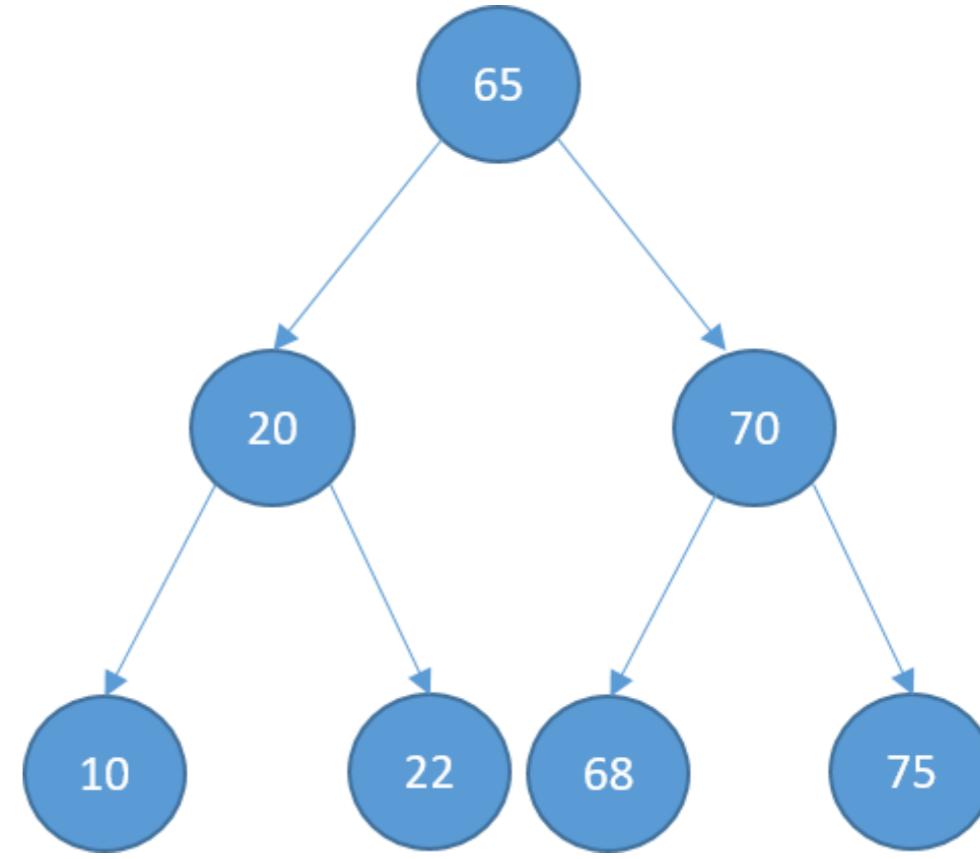
# Breadth first search - binary trees

- Starts from the root
- Visits every node of every level



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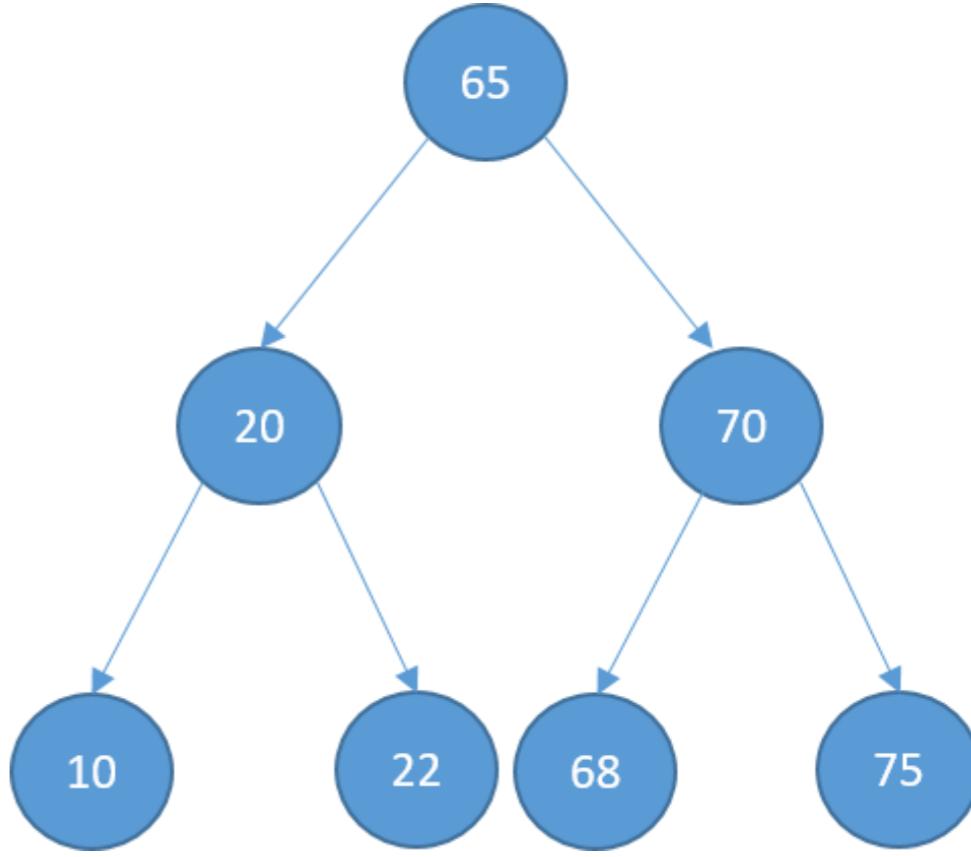
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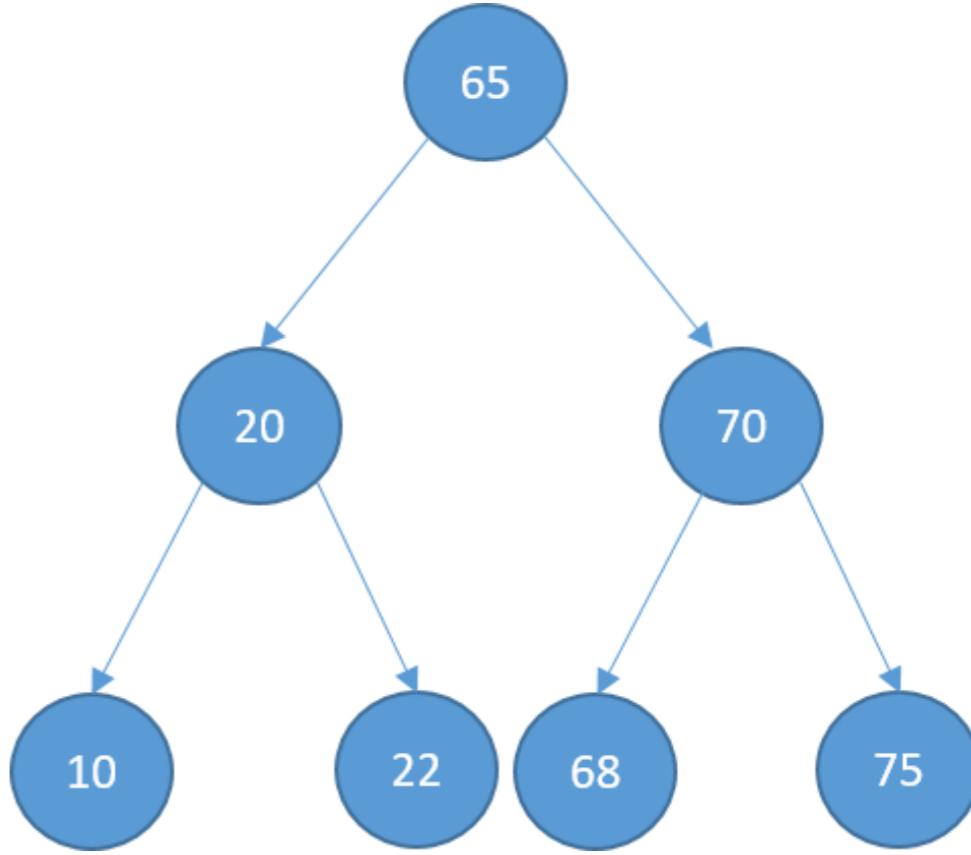
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- `visited_nodes`:
- `bfs_queue`: 65

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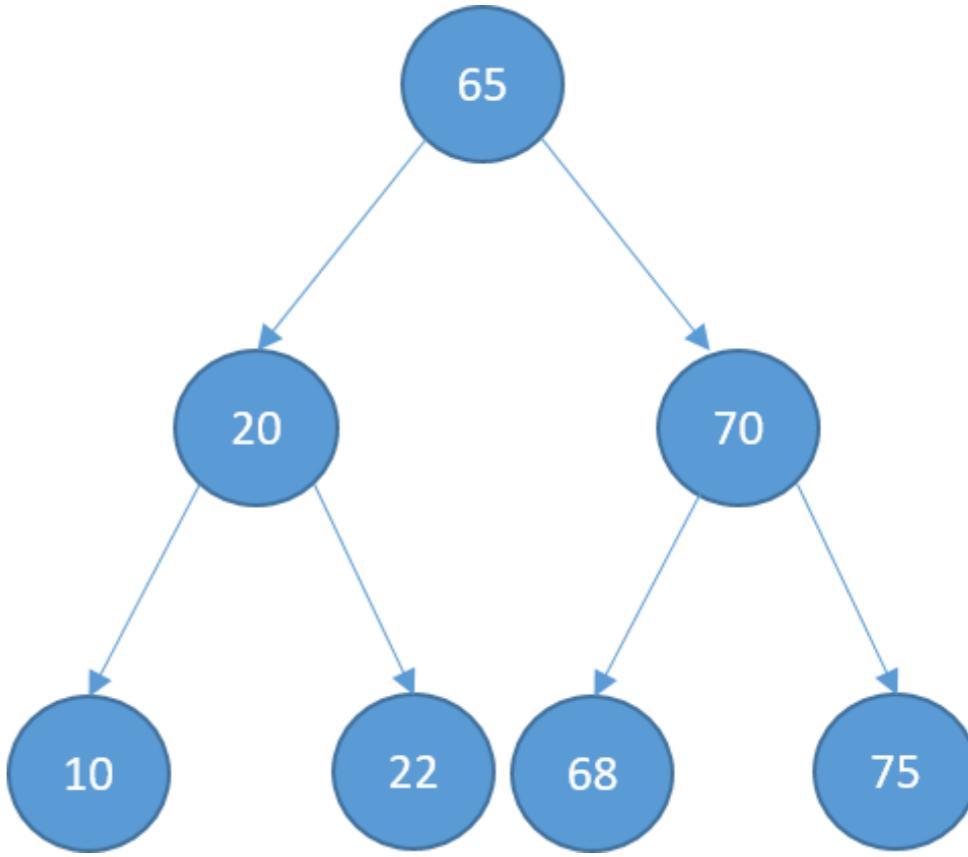
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- `visited_nodes`:
- `bfs_queue`:
- `current_node`: 65

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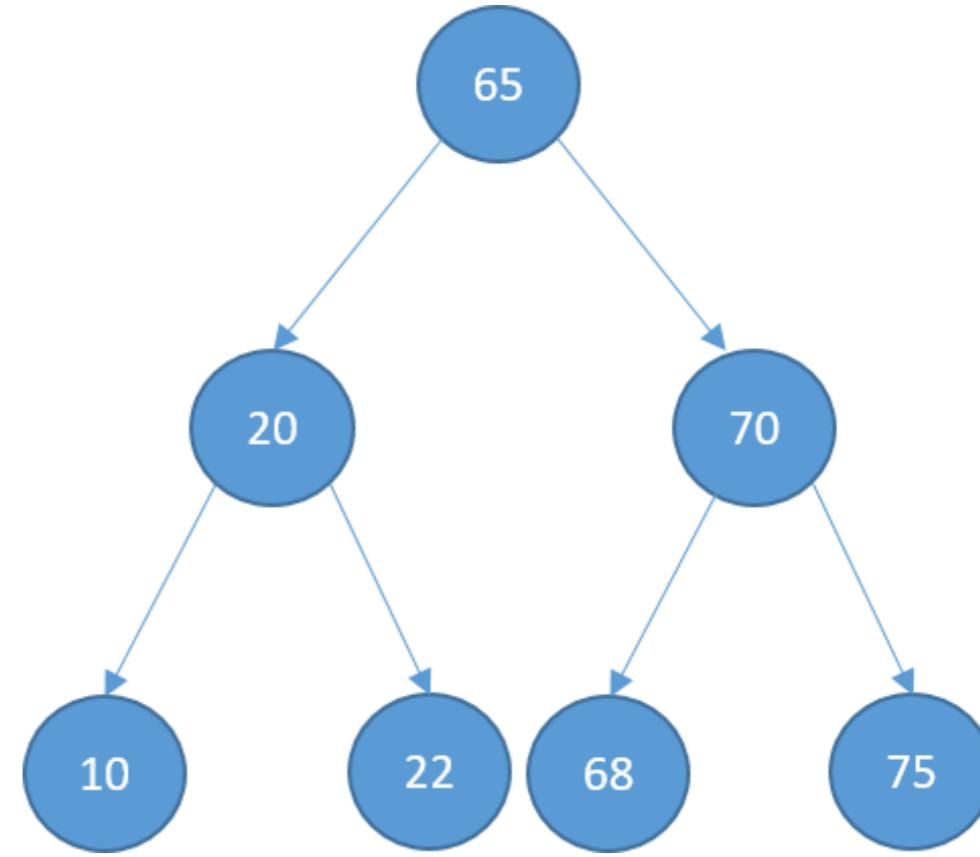
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- visited\_nodes: 65
- bfs\_queue:
- current\_node: 65

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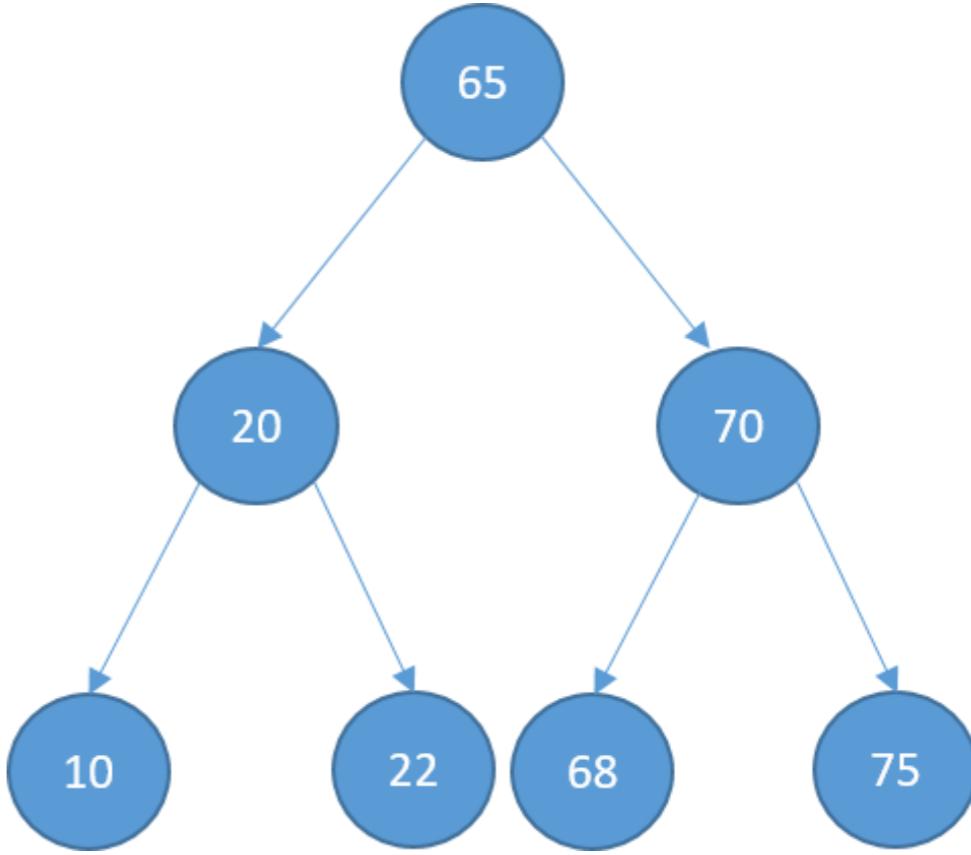
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- visited\_nodes: 65
- bfs\_queue: 20
- current\_node: 65

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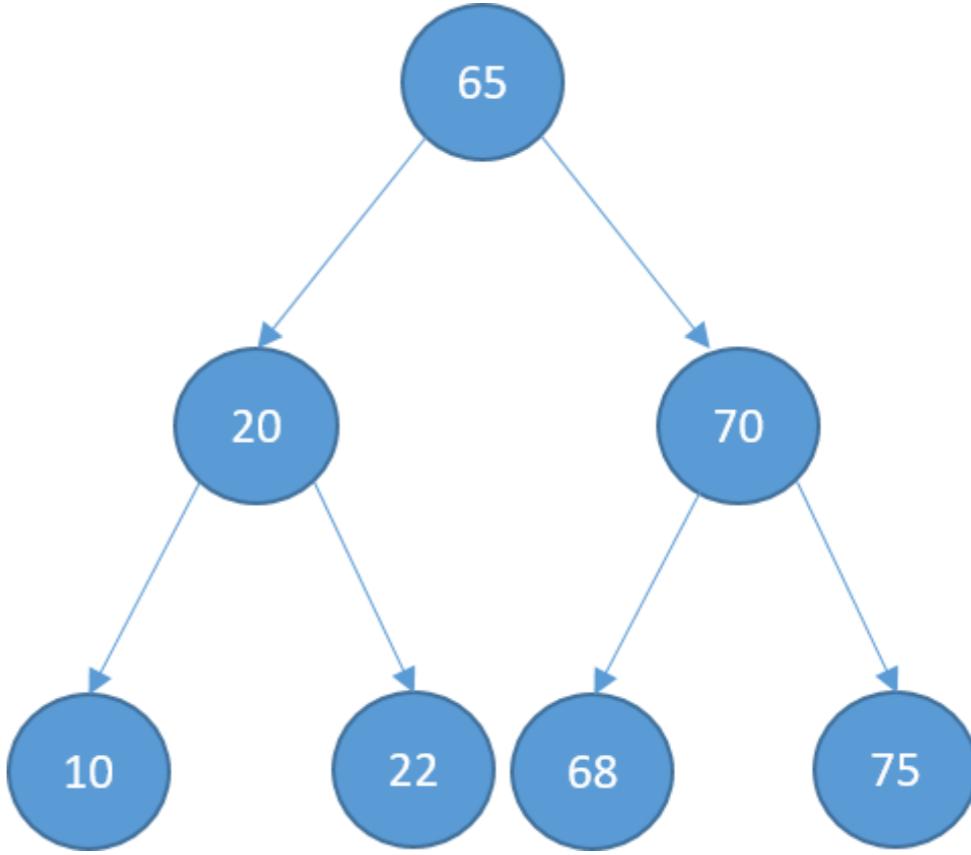
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- visited\_nodes: 65
- bfs\_queue: 20, 70
- current\_node: 65

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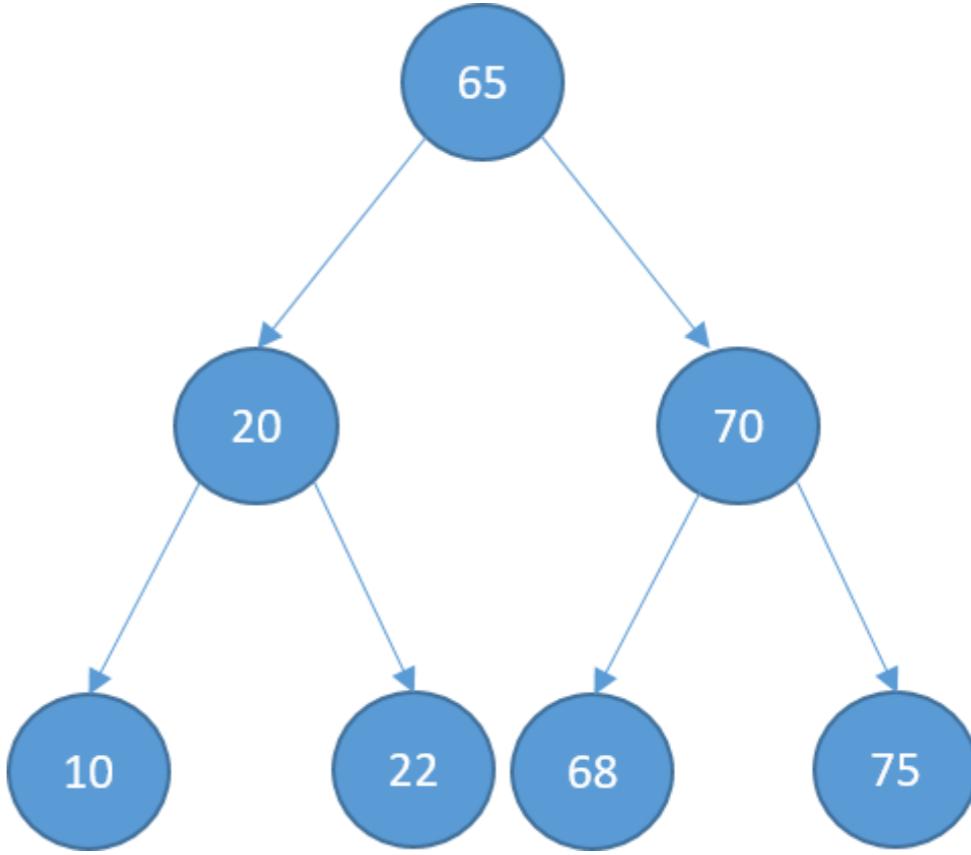
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- visited\_nodes: 65
- bfs\_queue: 70
- current\_node: 20

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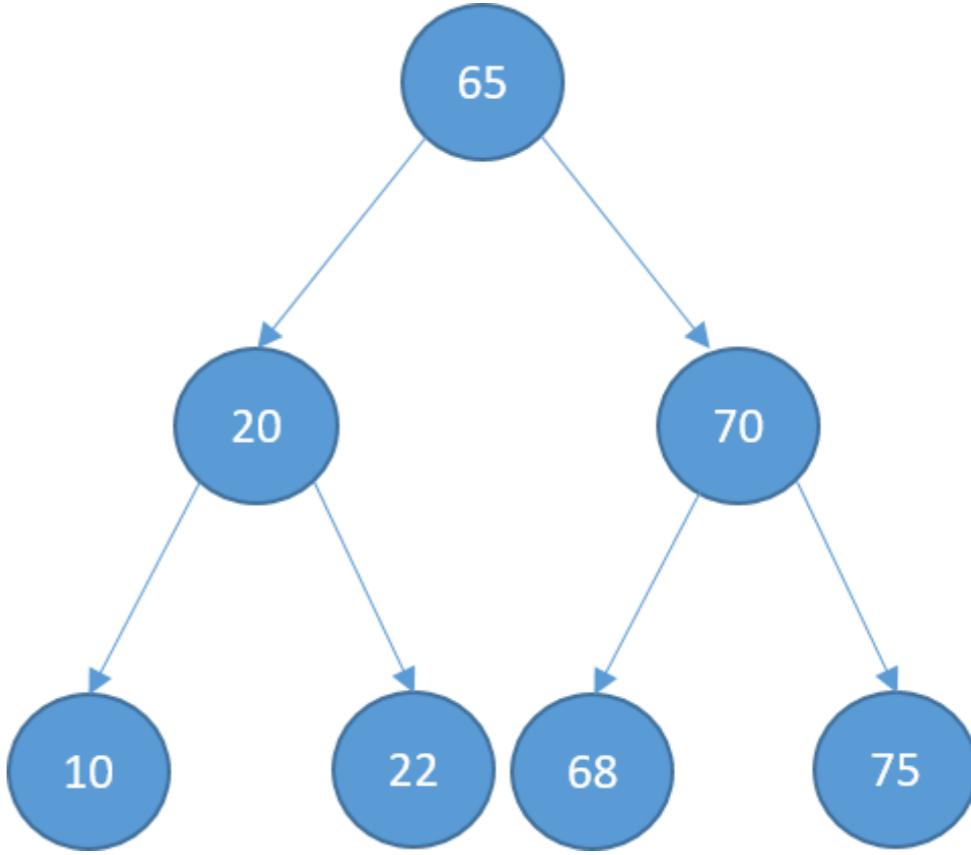
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- visited\_nodes: 65, 20
- bfs\_queue: 70
- current\_node: 20

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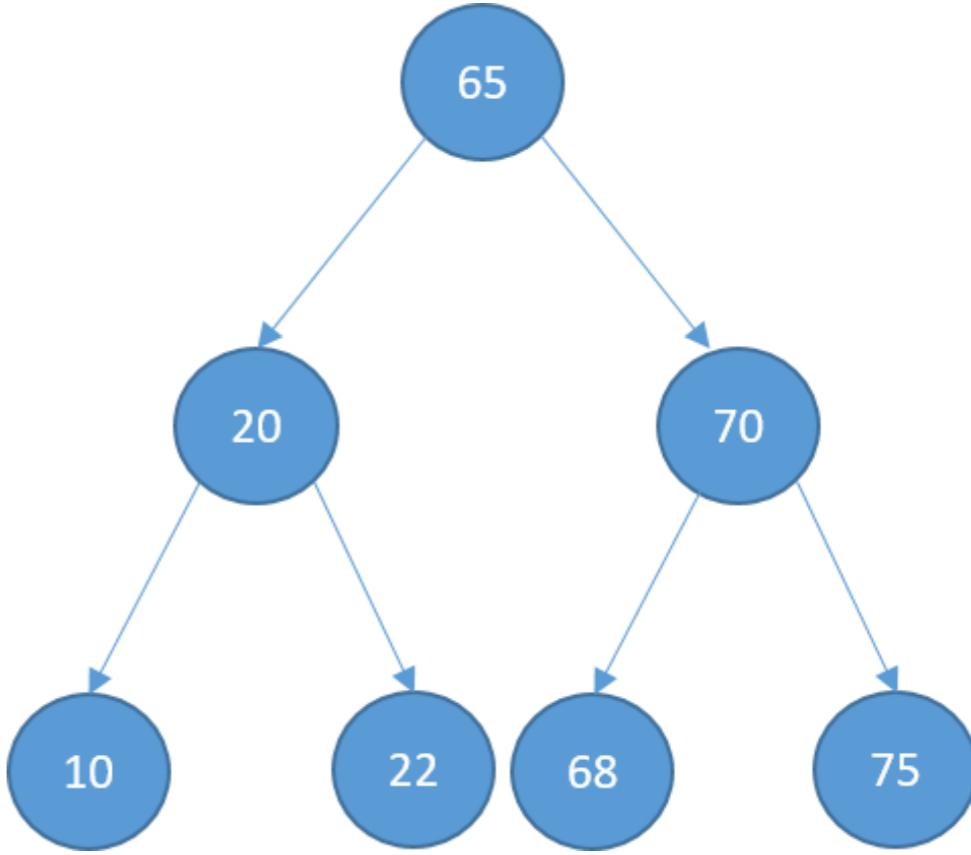
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- visited\_nodes: 65, 20
- bfs\_queue: 70, 10
- current\_node: 20

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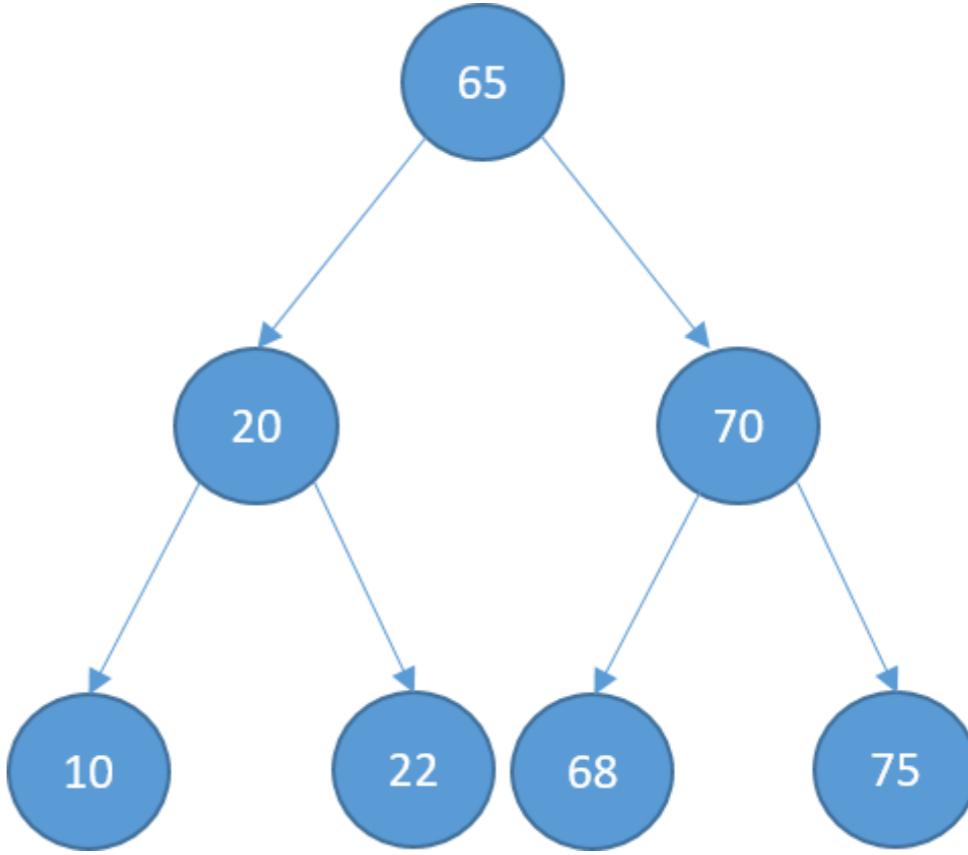
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- visited\_nodes: 65, 20
- bfs\_queue: 70, 10, 22
- current\_node: 20

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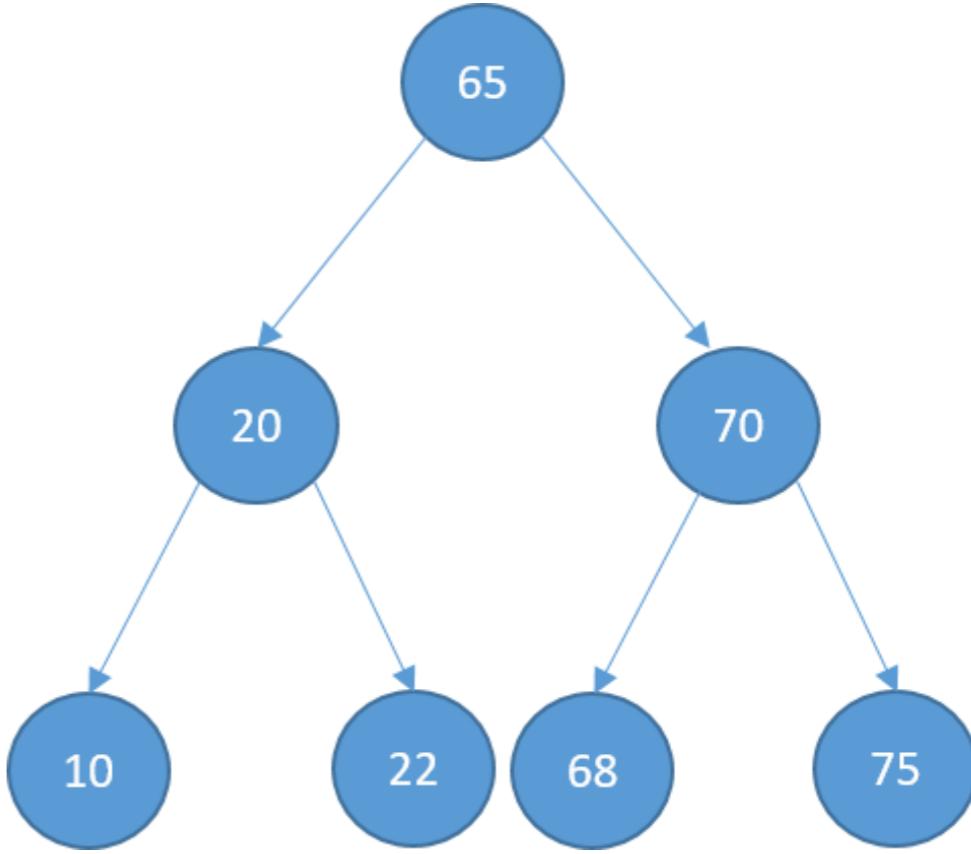
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- visited\_nodes: 65, 20
- bfs\_queue: 10, 22
- current\_node: 70

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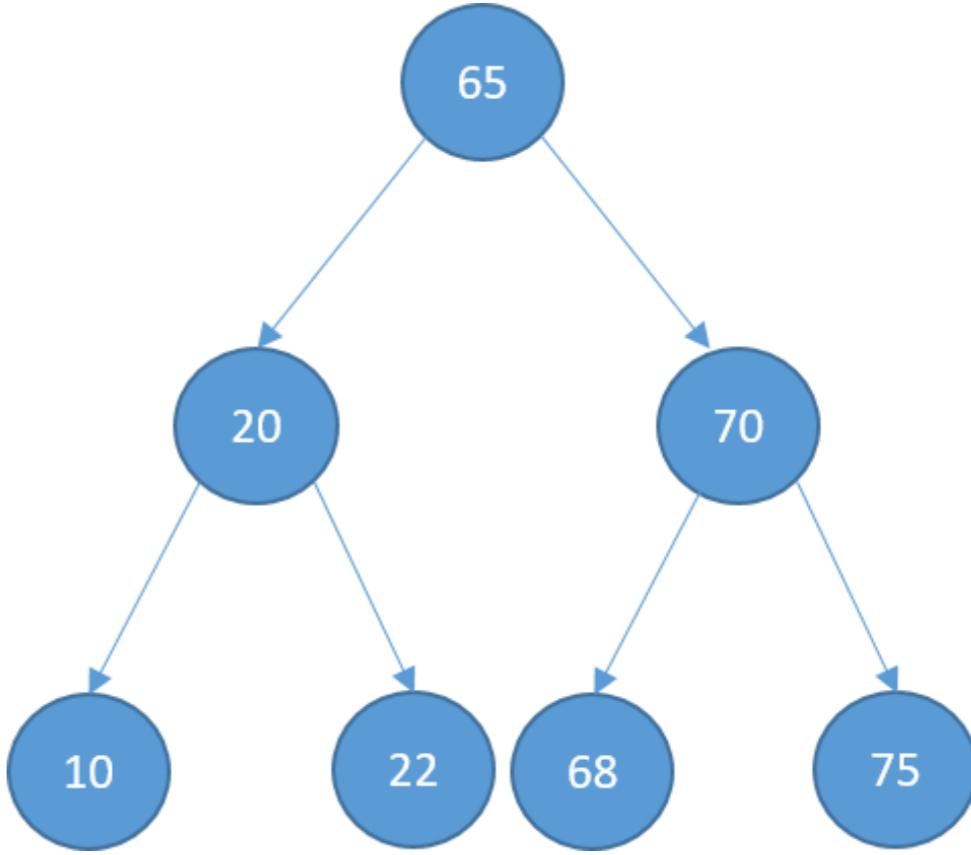
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- visited\_nodes: 65, 20, 70
- bfs\_queue: 10, 22
- current\_node: 70

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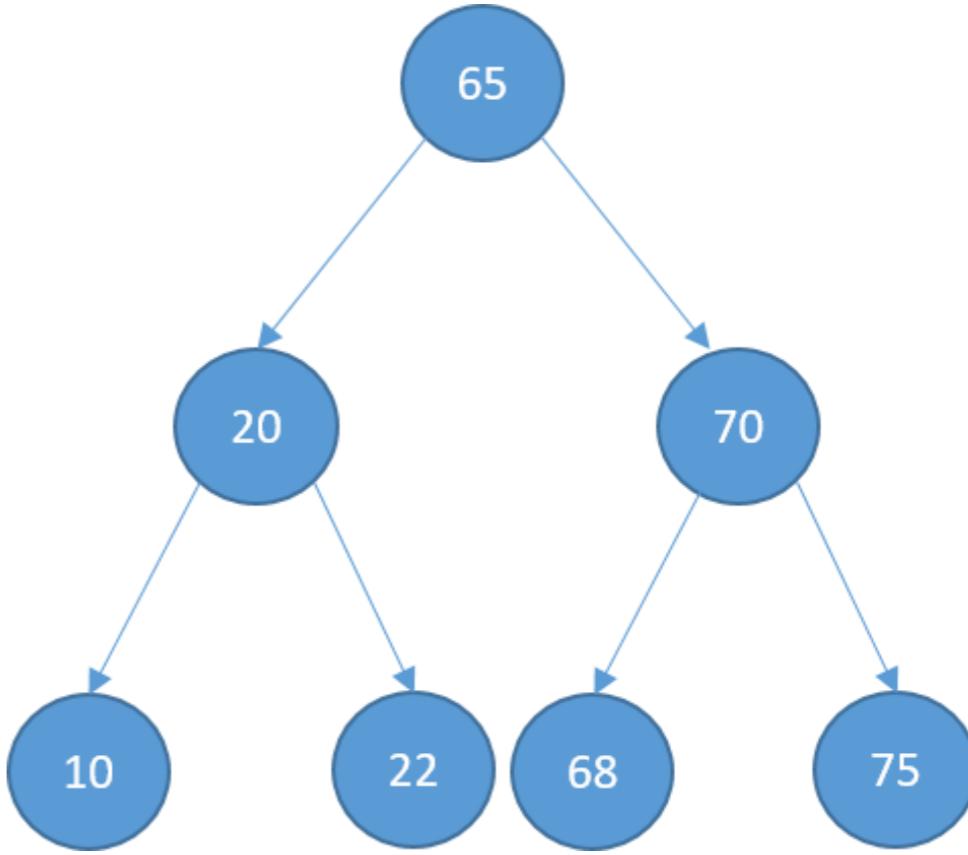
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- visited\_nodes: 65, 20, 70
- bfs\_queue: 10, 22, 68
- current\_node: 70

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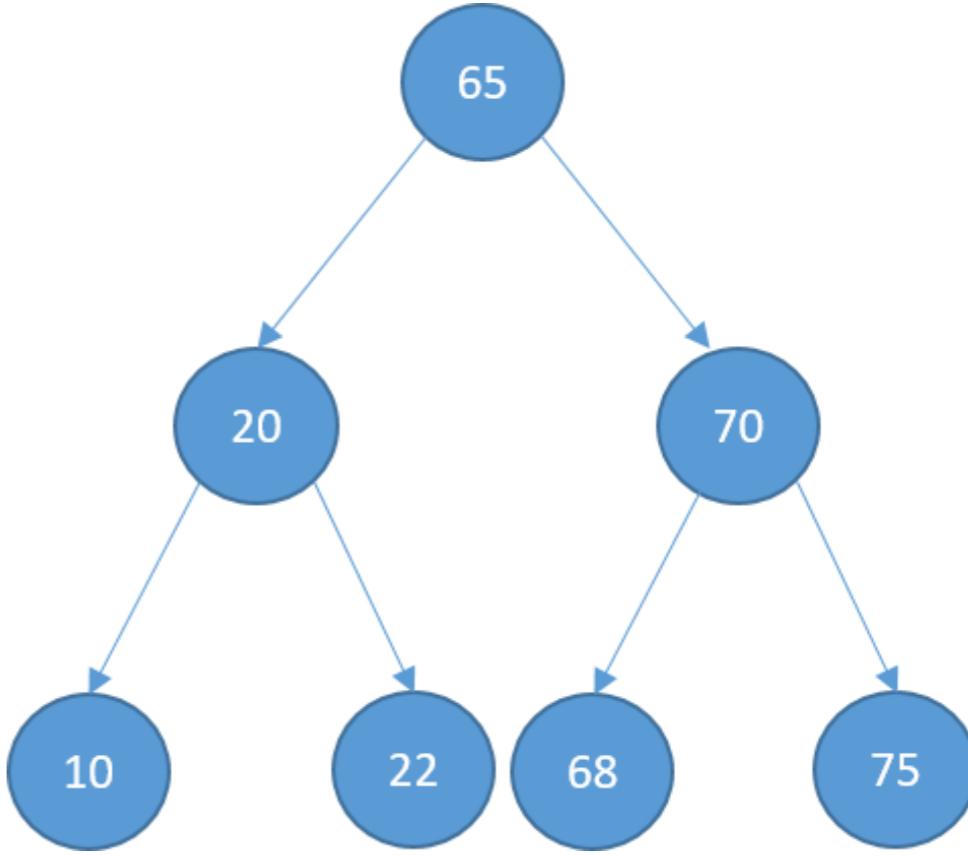
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- visited\_nodes: 65, 20, 70
- bfs\_queue: 10, 22, 68, 75
- current\_node: 70

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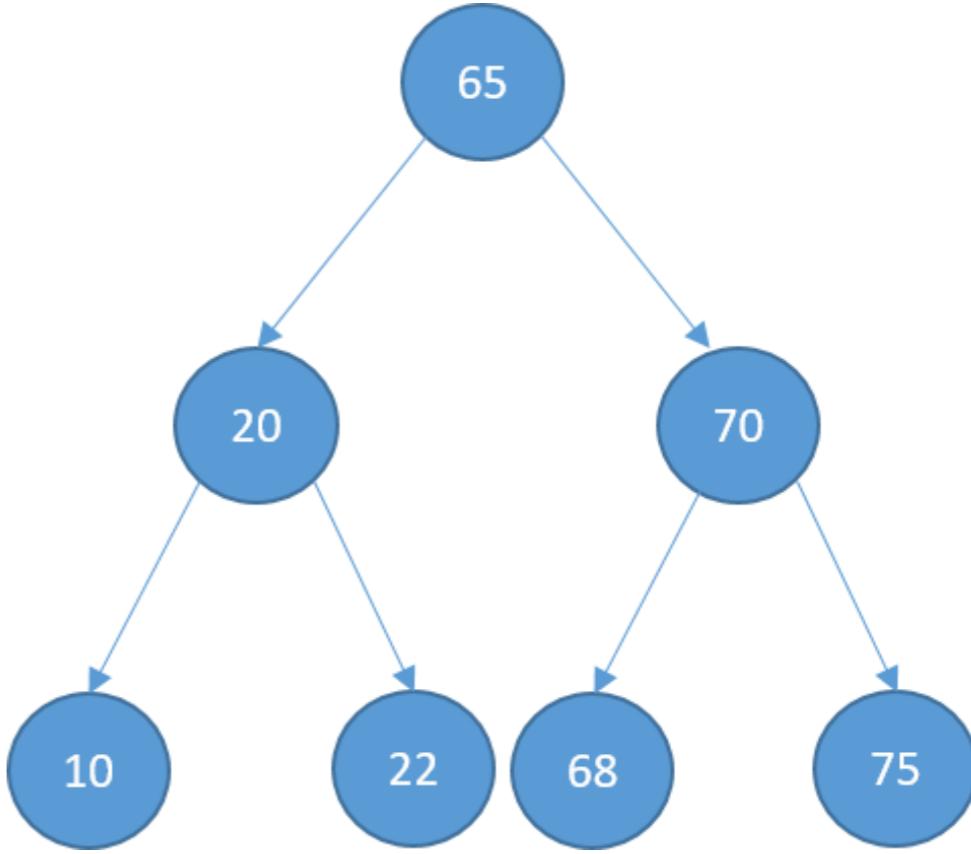
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- visited\_nodes: 65, 20, 70, 10
- bfs\_queue: 22, 68, 75
- current\_node: 10

# Breadth first search - binary trees

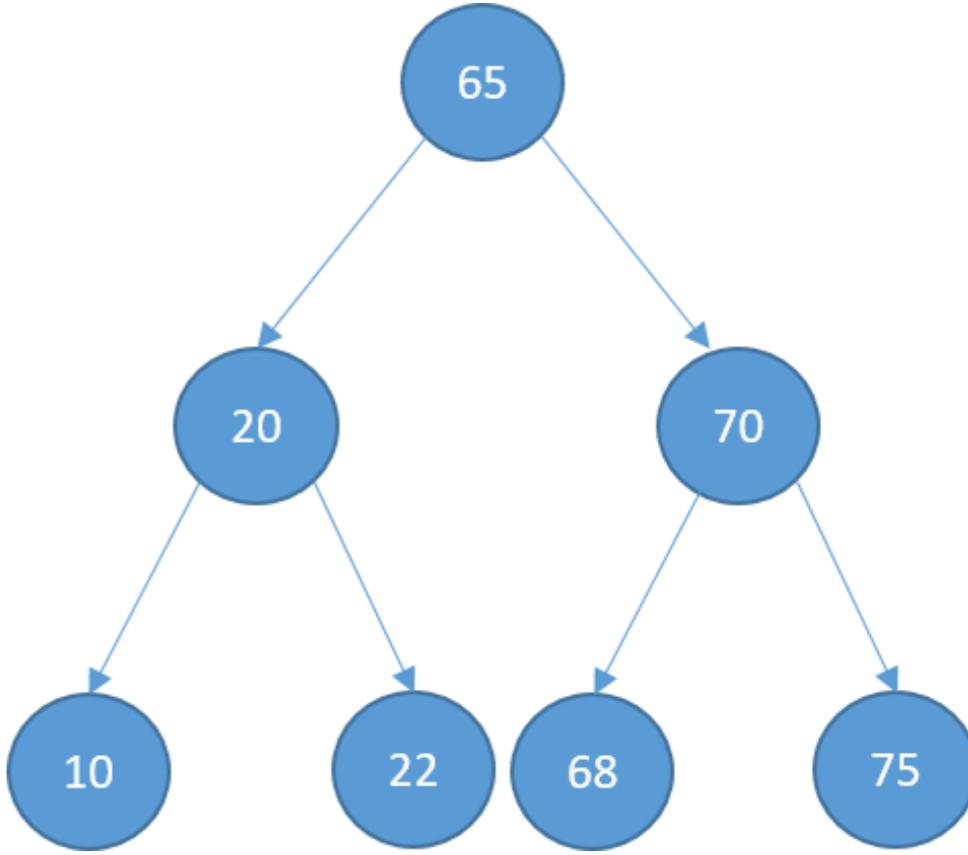
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- visited\_nodes: 65, 20, 70, 10
- bfs\_queue: 68, 75
- current\_node: 22

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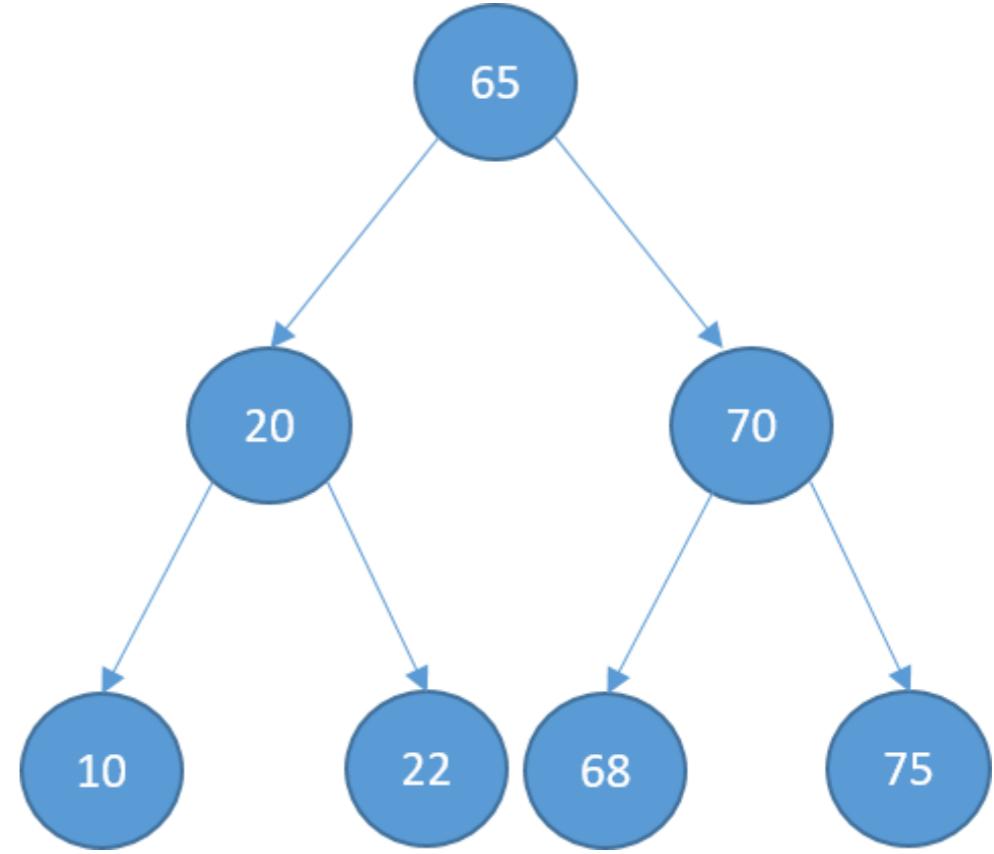
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- bfs\_queue: 68, 75
- current\_node: 22

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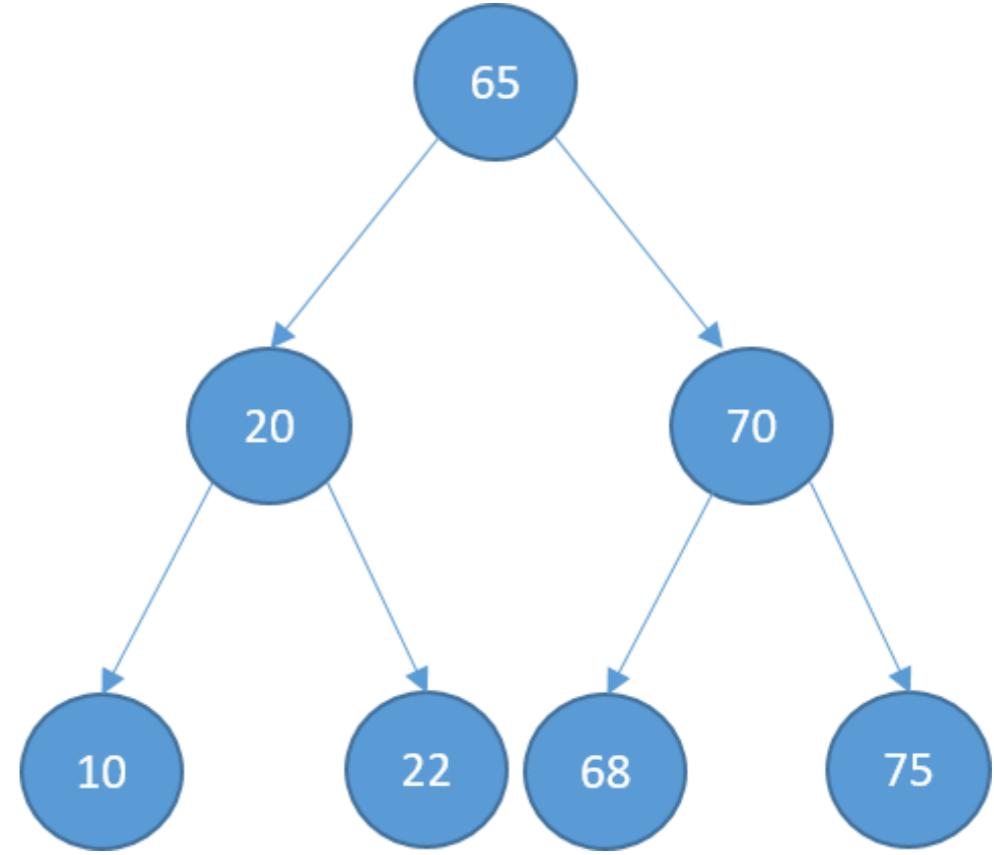
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- visited\_nodes: 65, 20, 70, 10, 22, 68
- bfs\_queue: 75
- current\_node: 68

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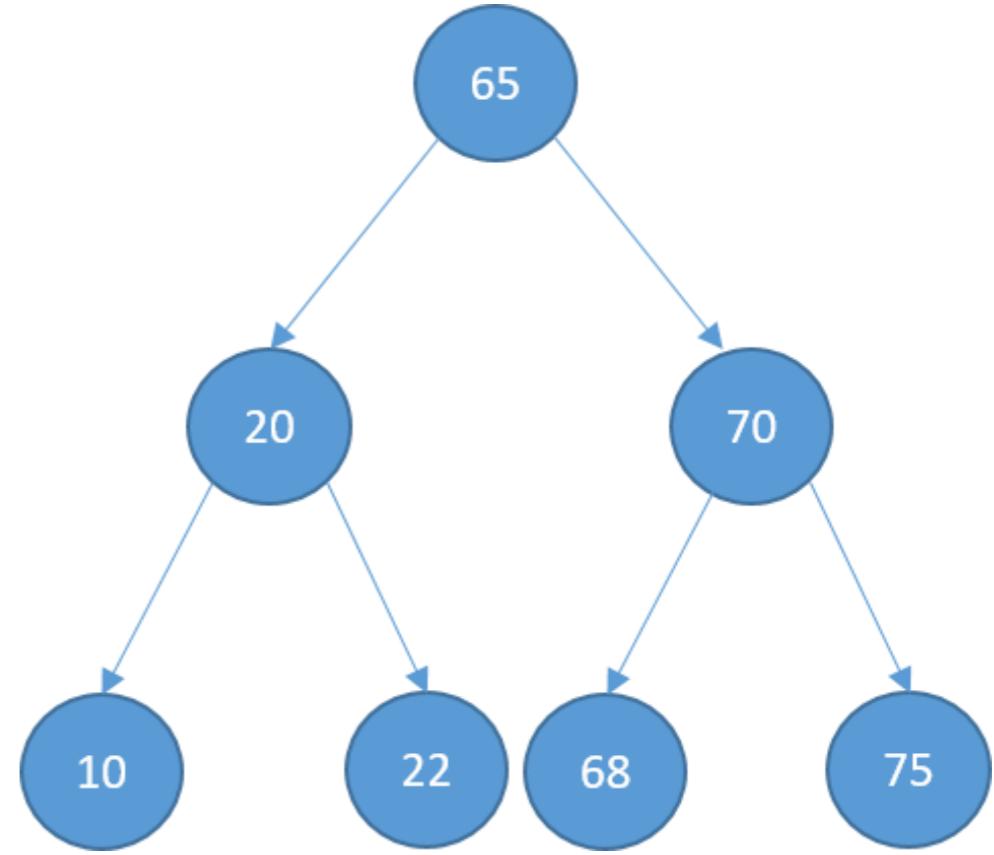
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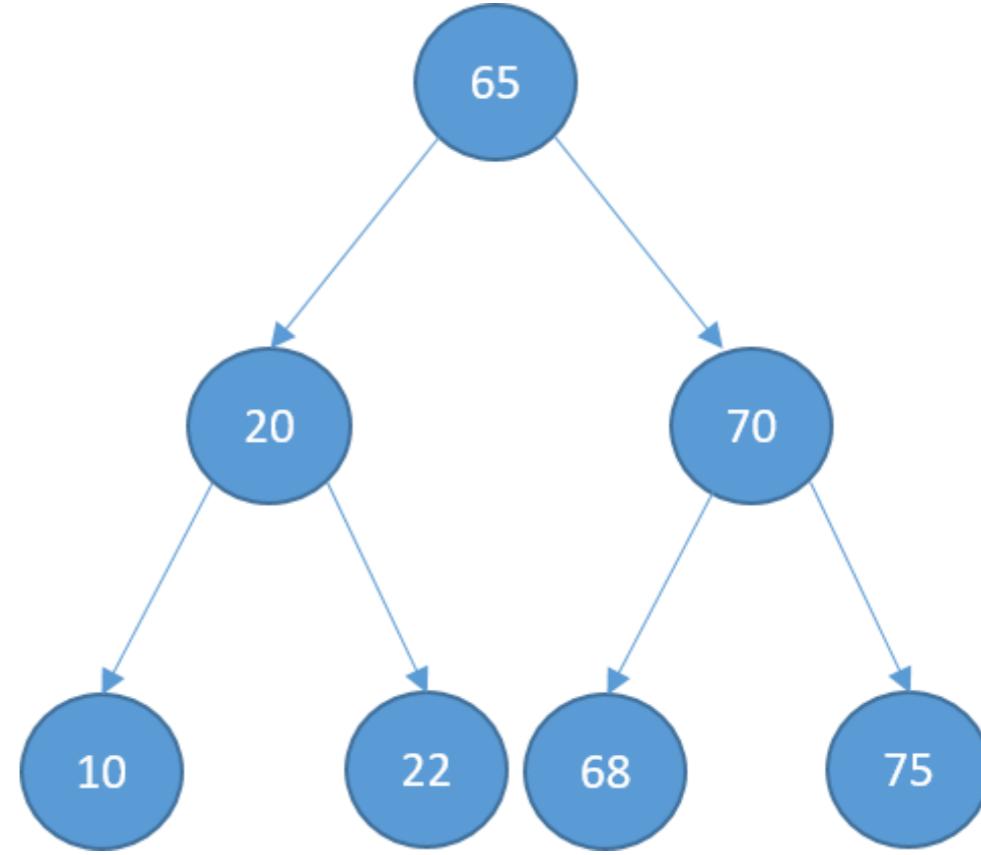


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    return visited_nodes
```

- Complexity:  $O(n)$



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# Breadth first search - graphs

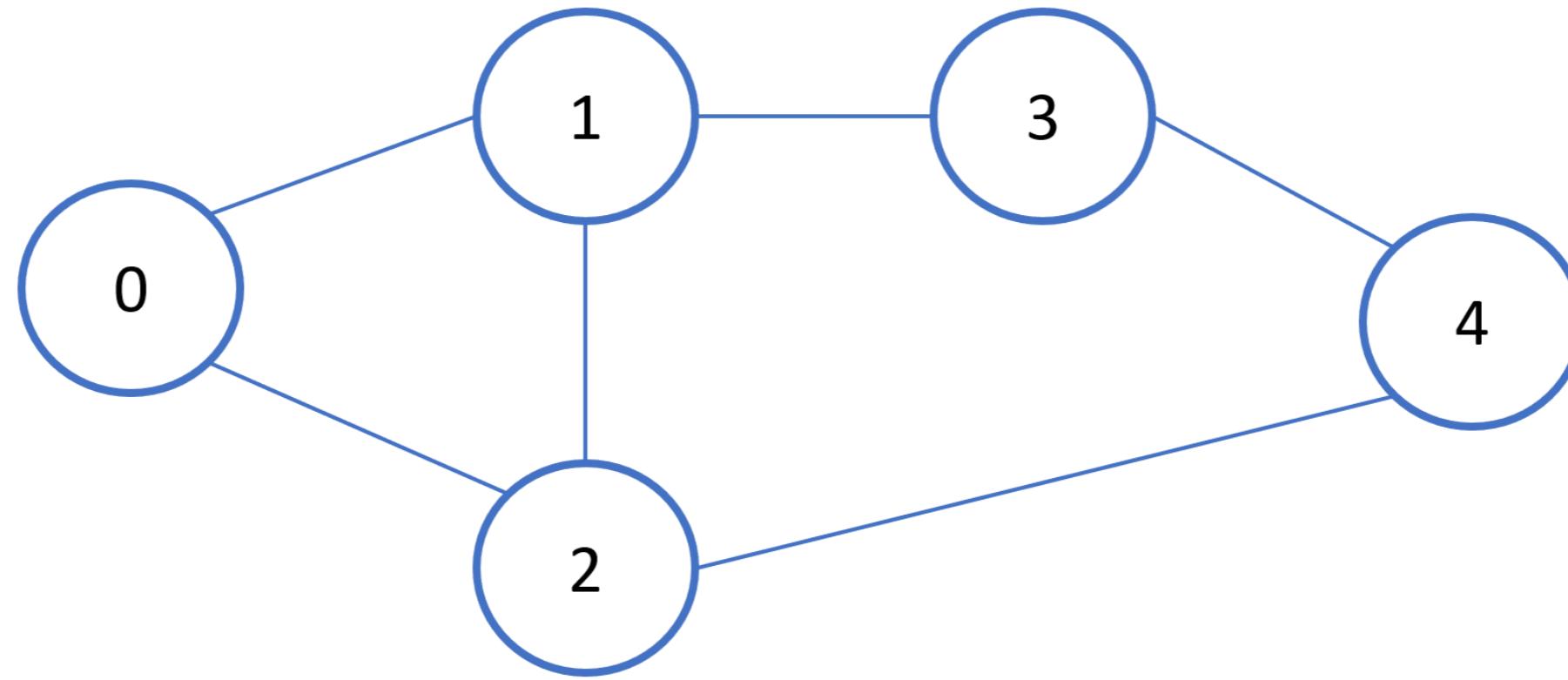
- Graphs can have cycles
  - Need to check if the vertices have already been visited

# Breadth first search - graphs

```
def bfs(graph, initial_vertex):
    visited_vertices = []
    bfs_queue = queue.SimpleQueue()
    bfs_queue.put(initial_vertex)
    visited_vertices.append(initial_vertex)
    while not bfs_queue.empty():
        current_vertex = bfs_queue.get()
        for adjacent_vertex in graph[current_vertex]:
            if adjacent_vertex not in visited_vertices:
                visited_vertices.append(adjacent_vertex)
                bfs_queue.put(adjacent_vertex)
    return visited_vertices
```

- Complexity:  $O(V + E)$ 
  - $V \rightarrow$  number of vertices
  - $E \rightarrow$  number of edges

# Breadth first search - graphs



Visited vertices:

Queue:



Current vertex:

# BFS vs DFS

## BFS

- Target **close to the starting vertex**
- Applications:
  - Web crawling
  - Finding shortest path in unweighted graphs
  - Finding connected locations using GPS
  - Used as part of other more complex algorithms

## DFS

- Target **far away from the starting vertex**
- Applications:
  - Solving puzzles with only one solution (e.g. mazes)
  - Detecting cycles in graphs
  - Finding shortest path in a weighted graph
  - Used as part of other more complex algorithms

# **Let's practice!**

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