
Fibonacci Heaps

Chapter 19

Priority Queues Performance Cost Summary

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

n = number of elements in priority queue

† amortized

Theorem. Starting from empty Fibonacci heap, any sequence of a_1 insert, a_2 delete-min, and a_3 decrease-key operations takes $O(a_1 + a_2 \log n + a_3)$ time.

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

↖ V insert, V delete-min, E decrease-key

Basic idea.

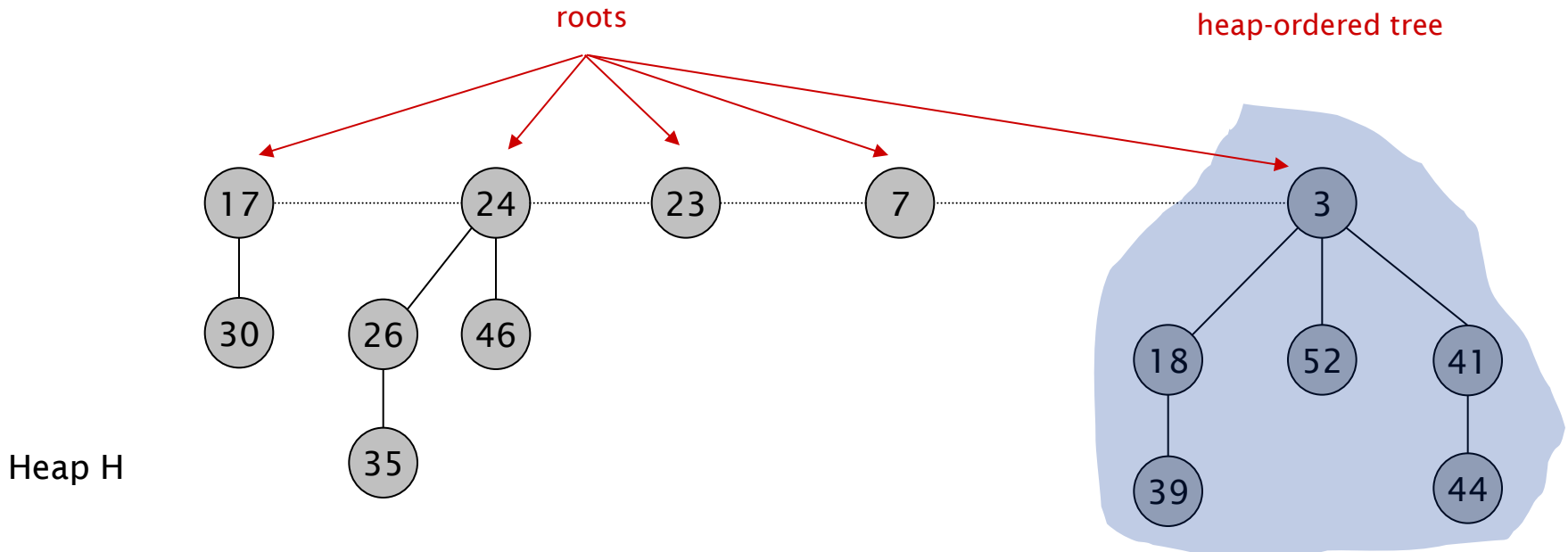
- It is a collection of rooted trees that are min-ordered
- Each node points to its parent and its children
- The children are linked together in a circular, doubled linked-list
- Fibonacci heap: **lazily** defer consolidation until next delete-min.

Fibonacci Heaps: Structure

Fibonacci heap.

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

each parent larger than its children

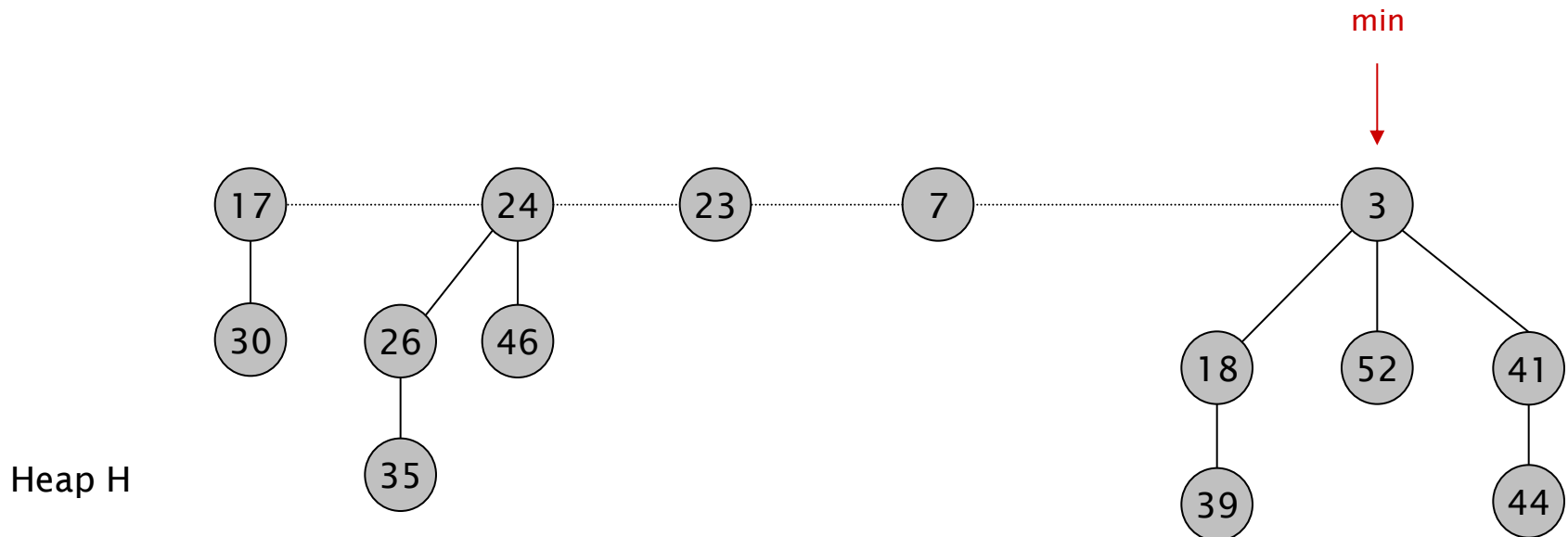


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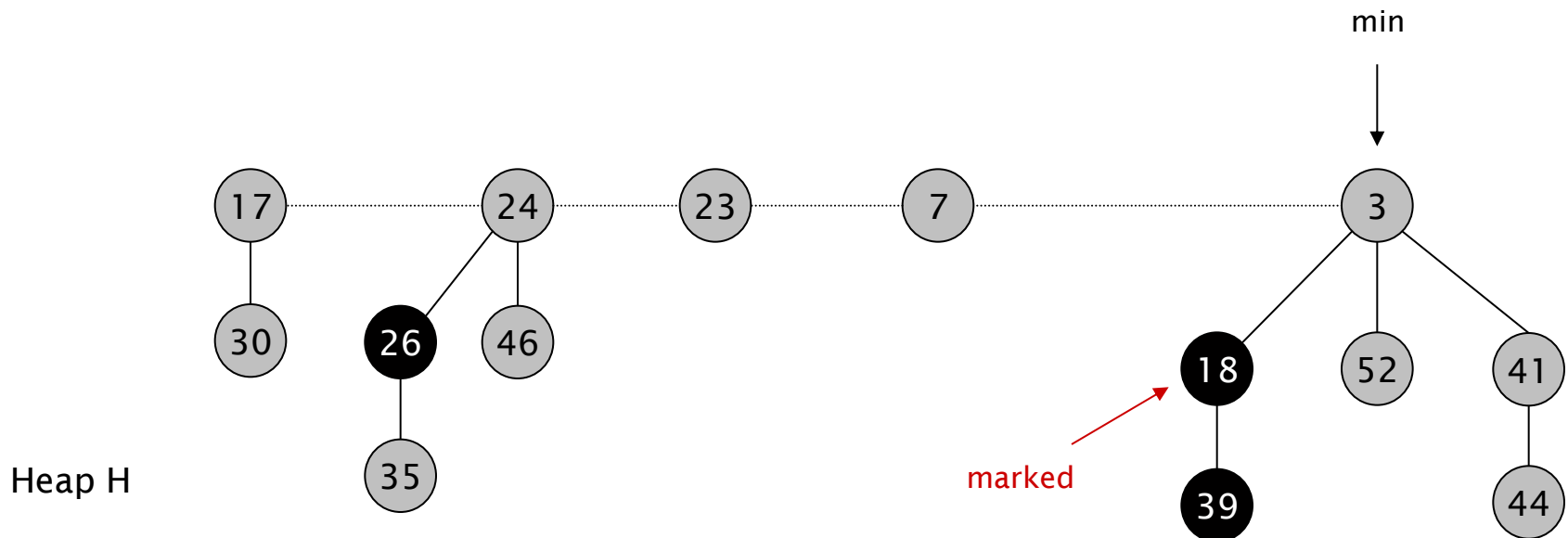


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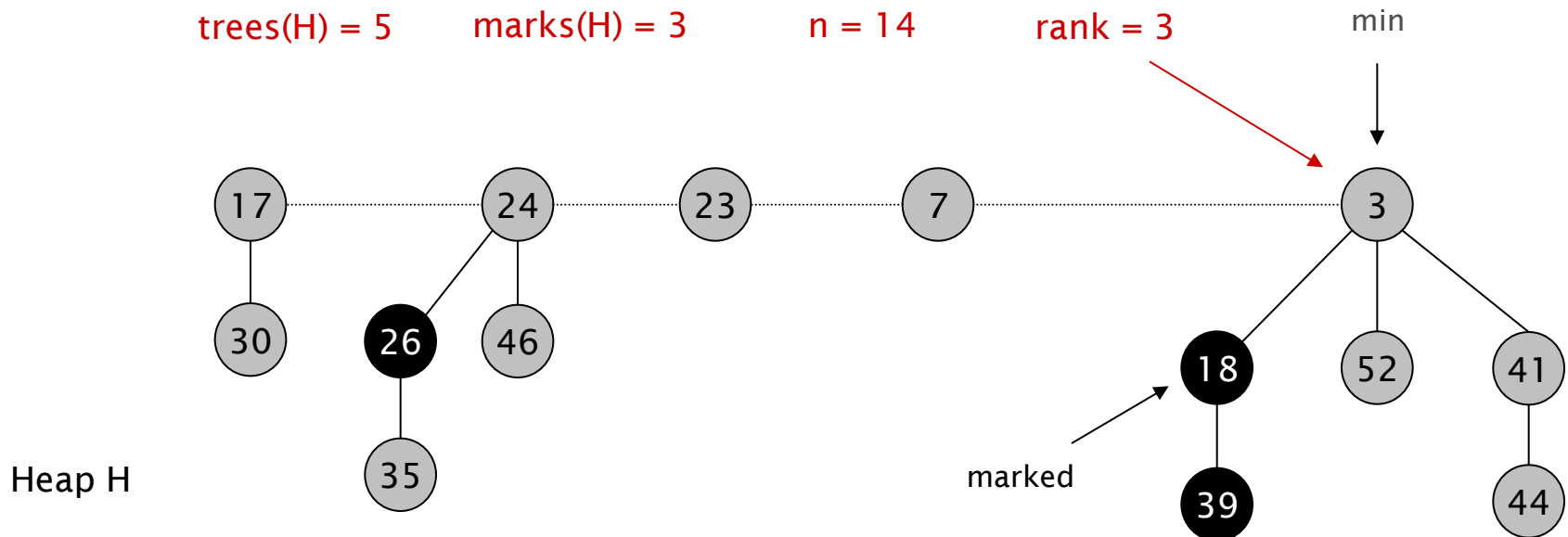
use to keep heaps flat (stay tuned)



Fibonacci Heaps: Notation

Notation.

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

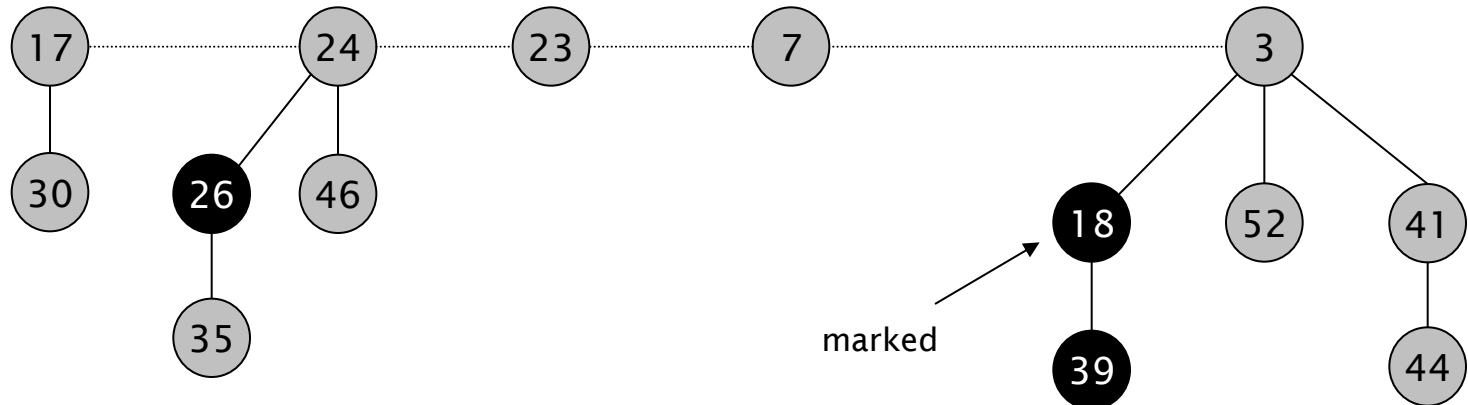
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$\text{marks}(H) = 3$

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min

Heap H



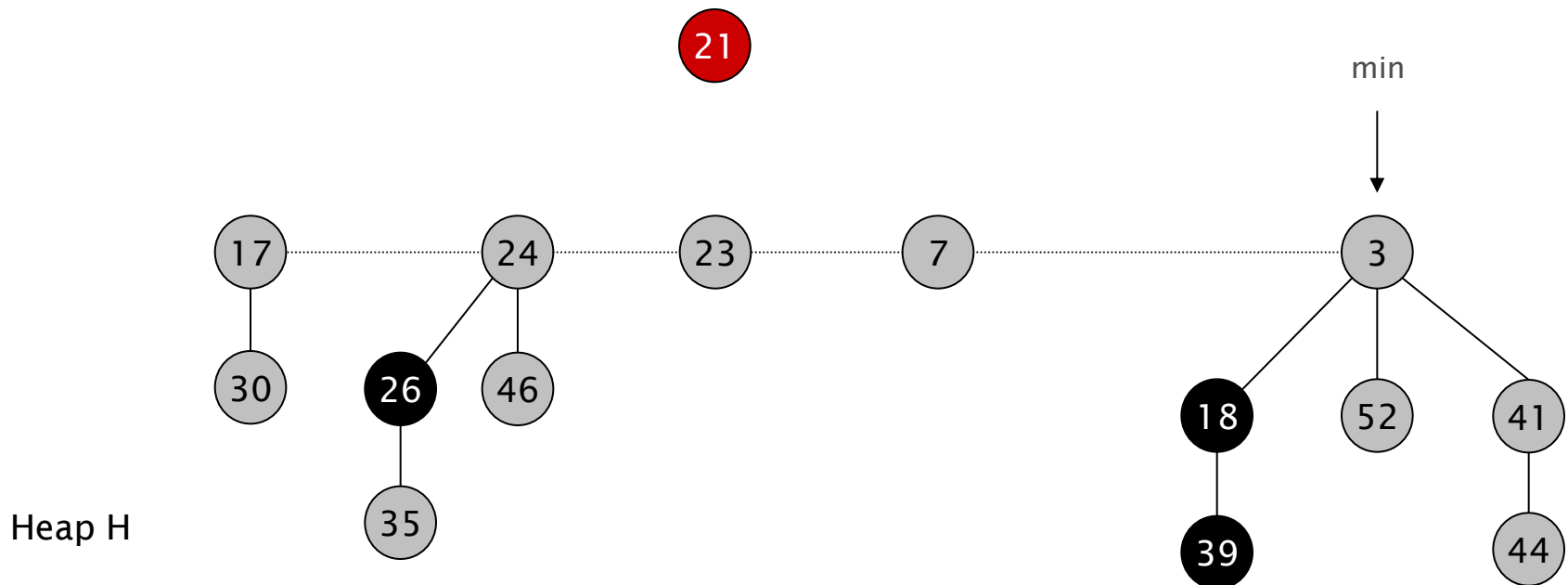
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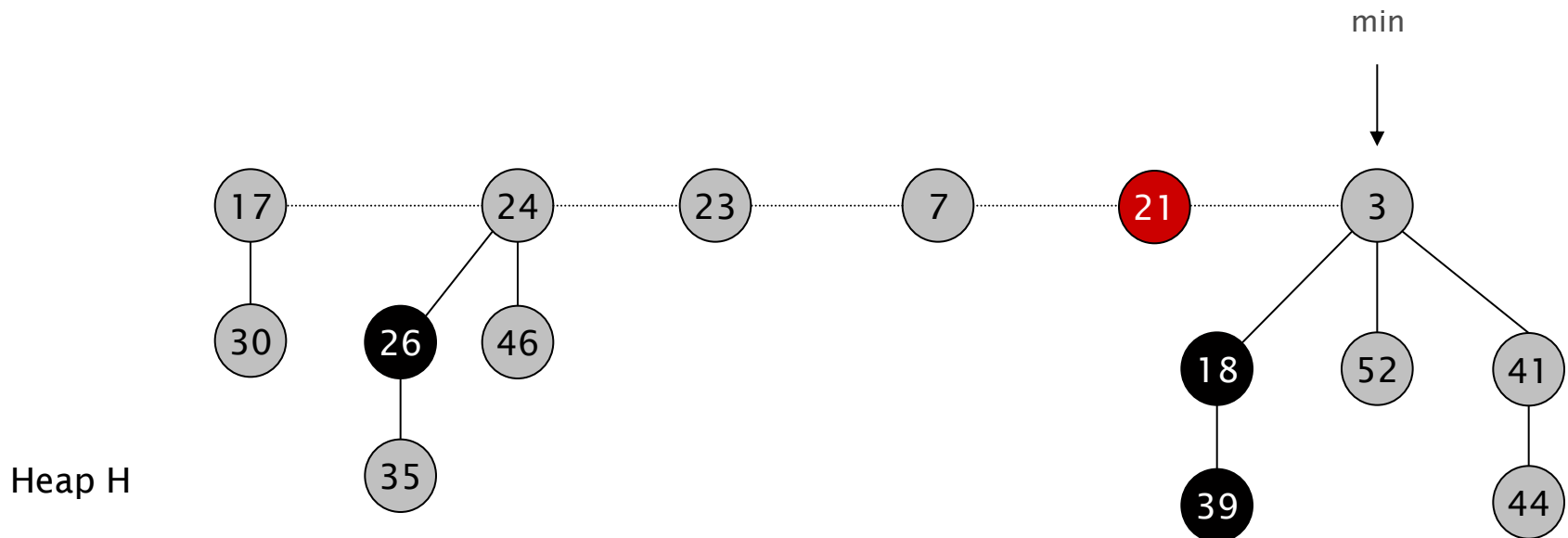


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Amortized cost. $O(1) + 1 = O(1)$

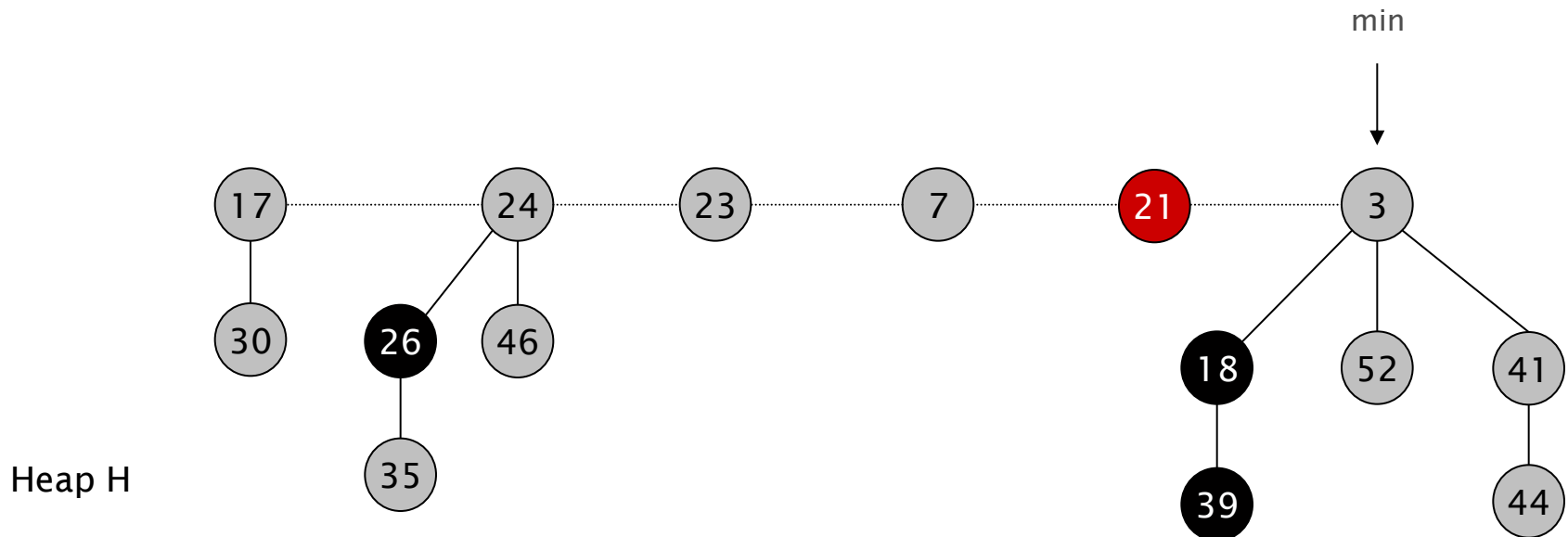
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$$\Phi(H') = 6 + 2 \cdot 3 = 12$$

$$\text{Change in potential} = +1$$

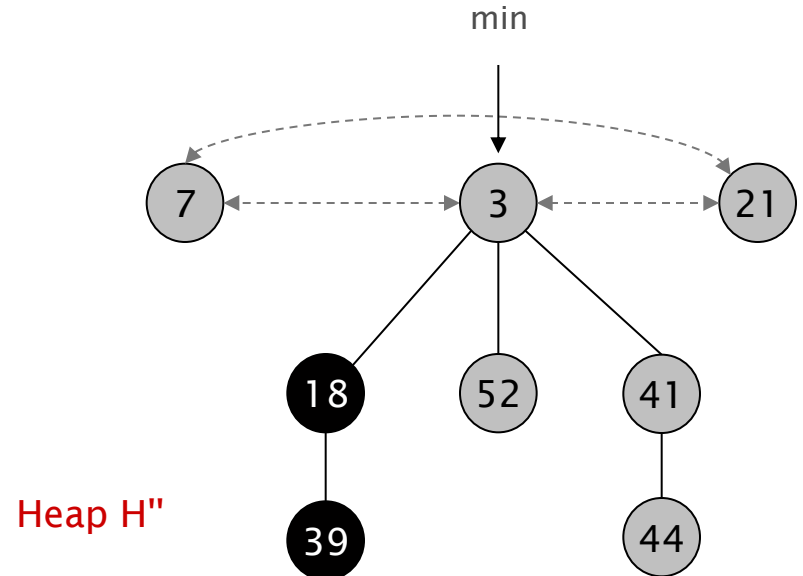
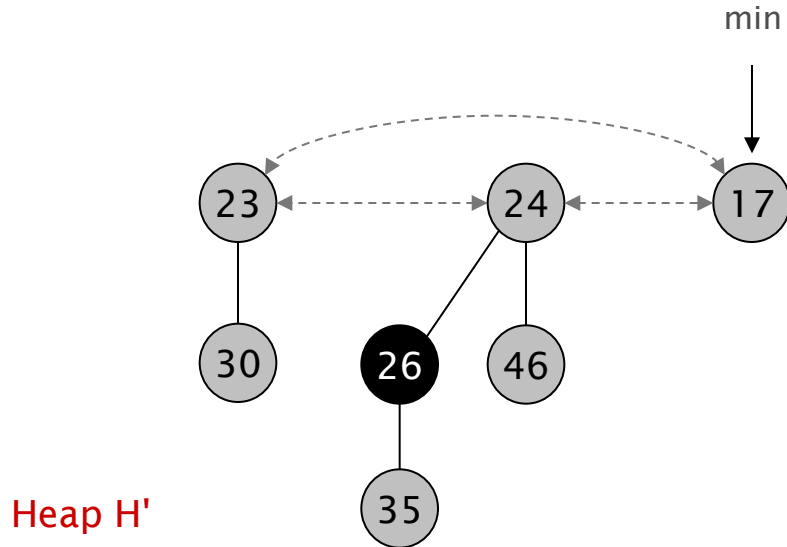


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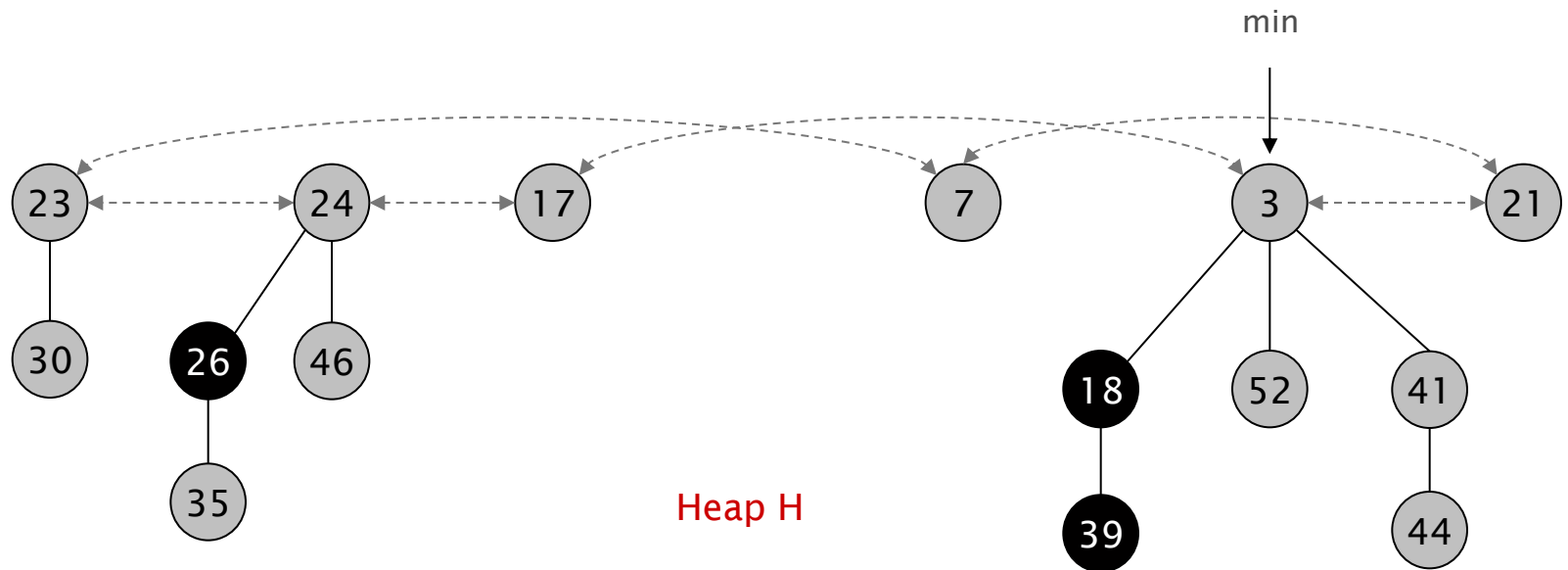
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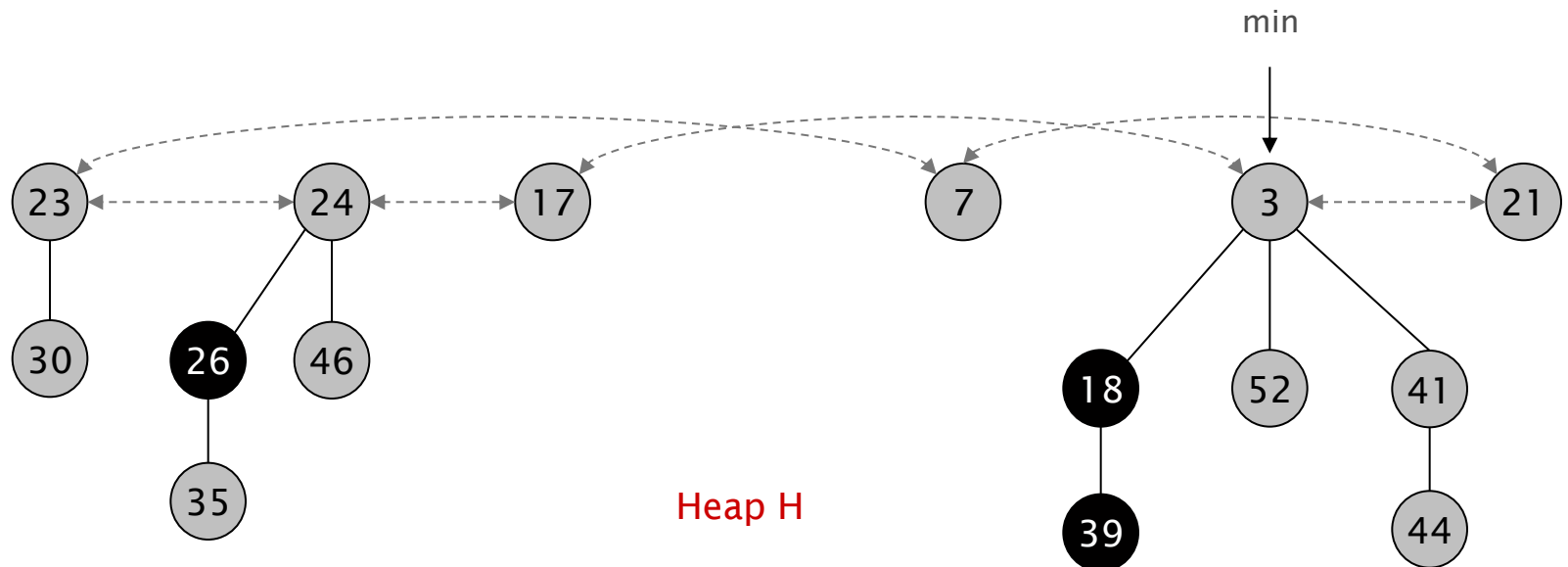
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potential function

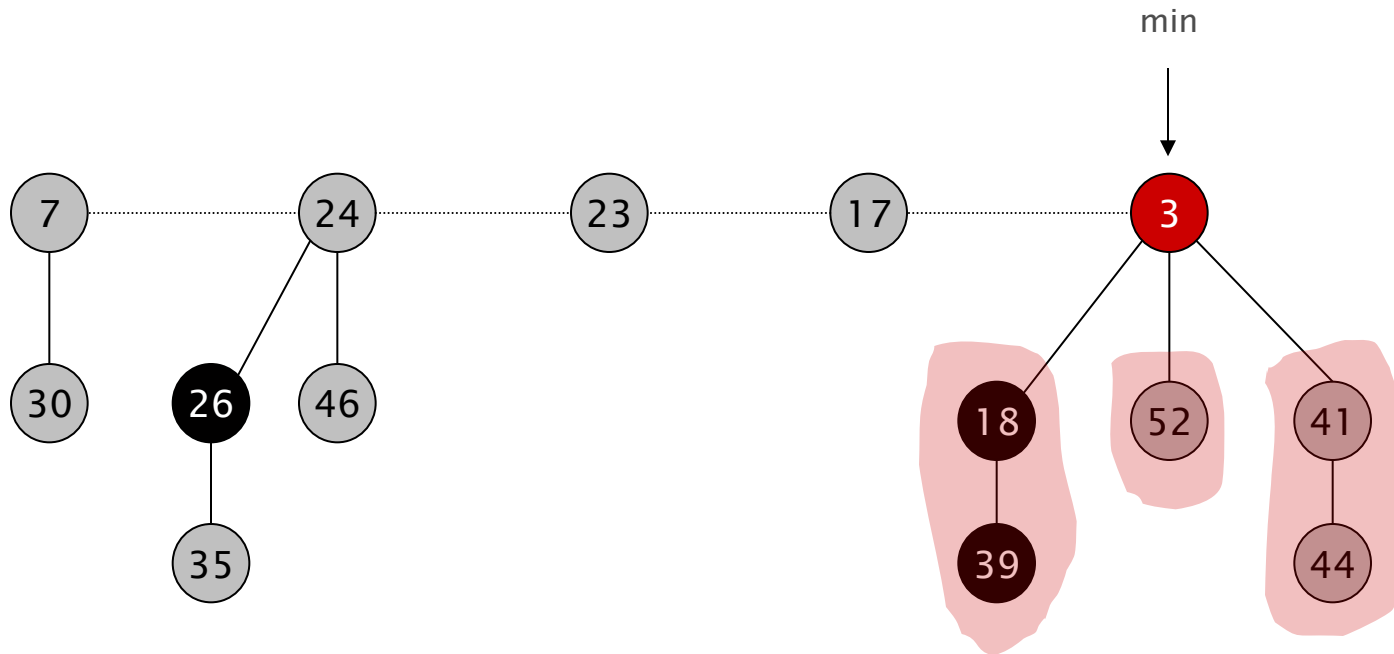


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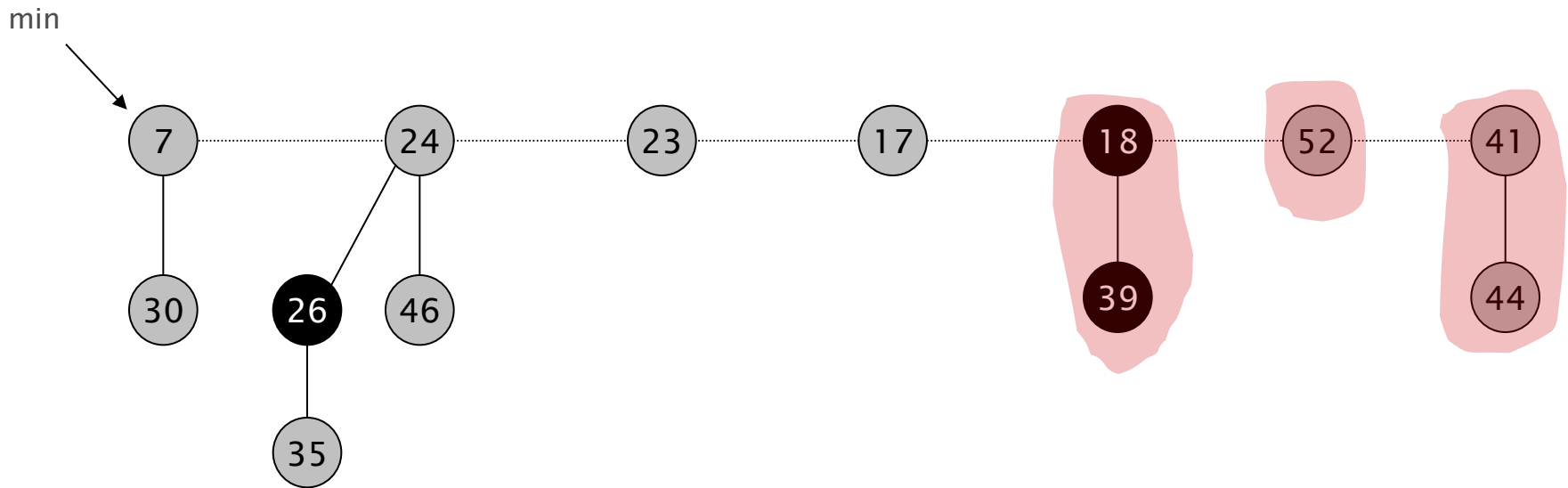
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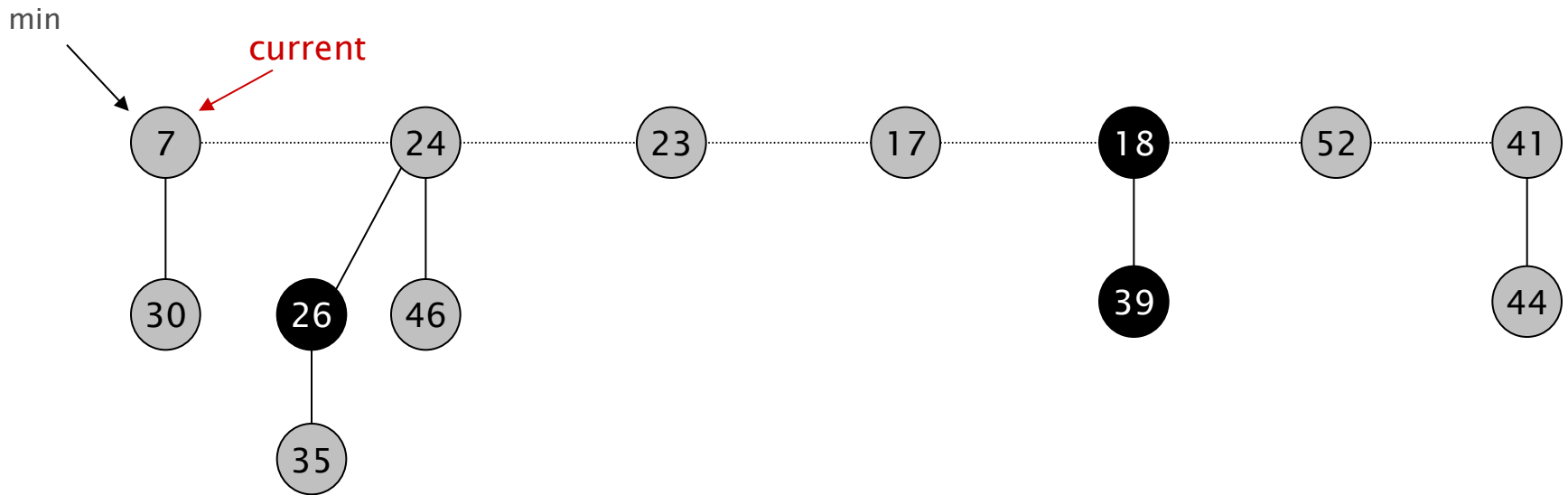
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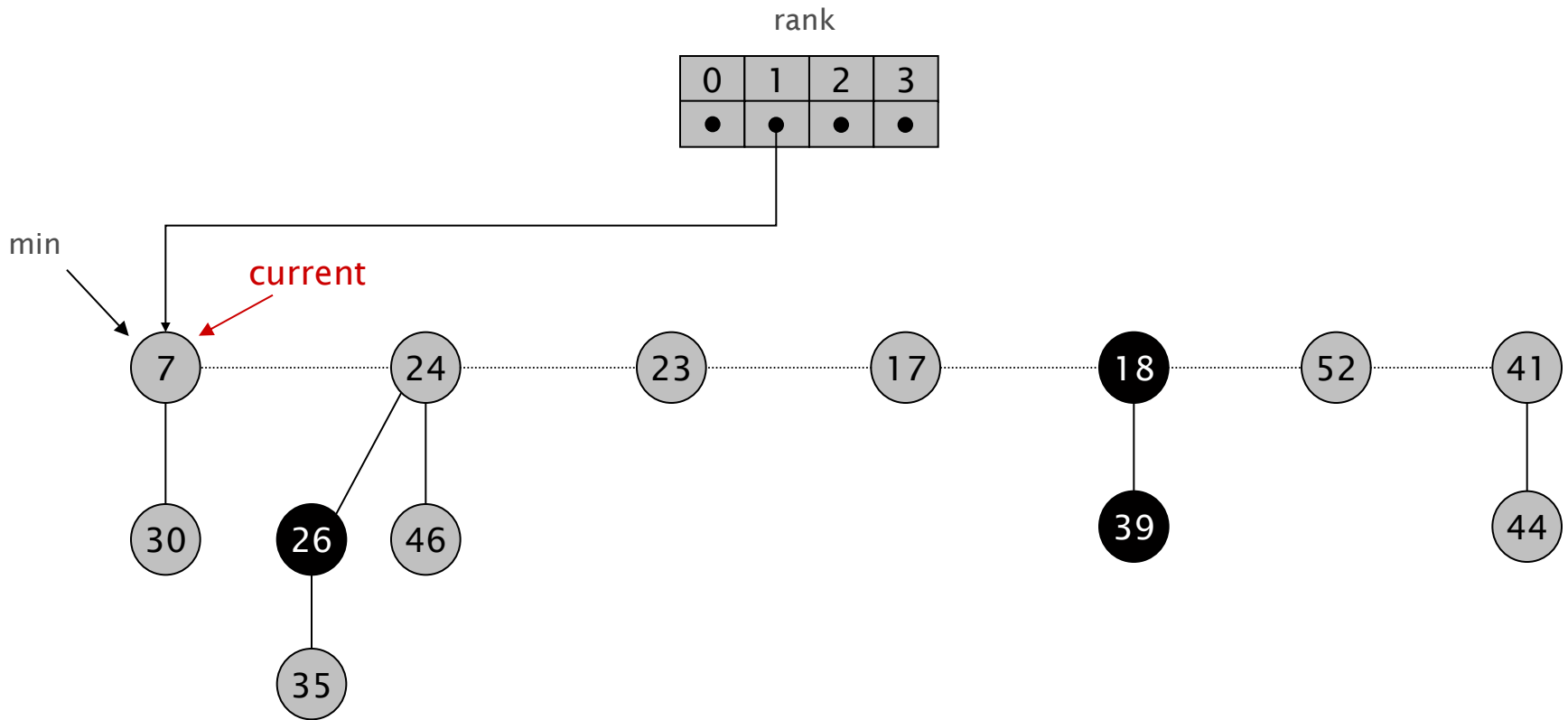
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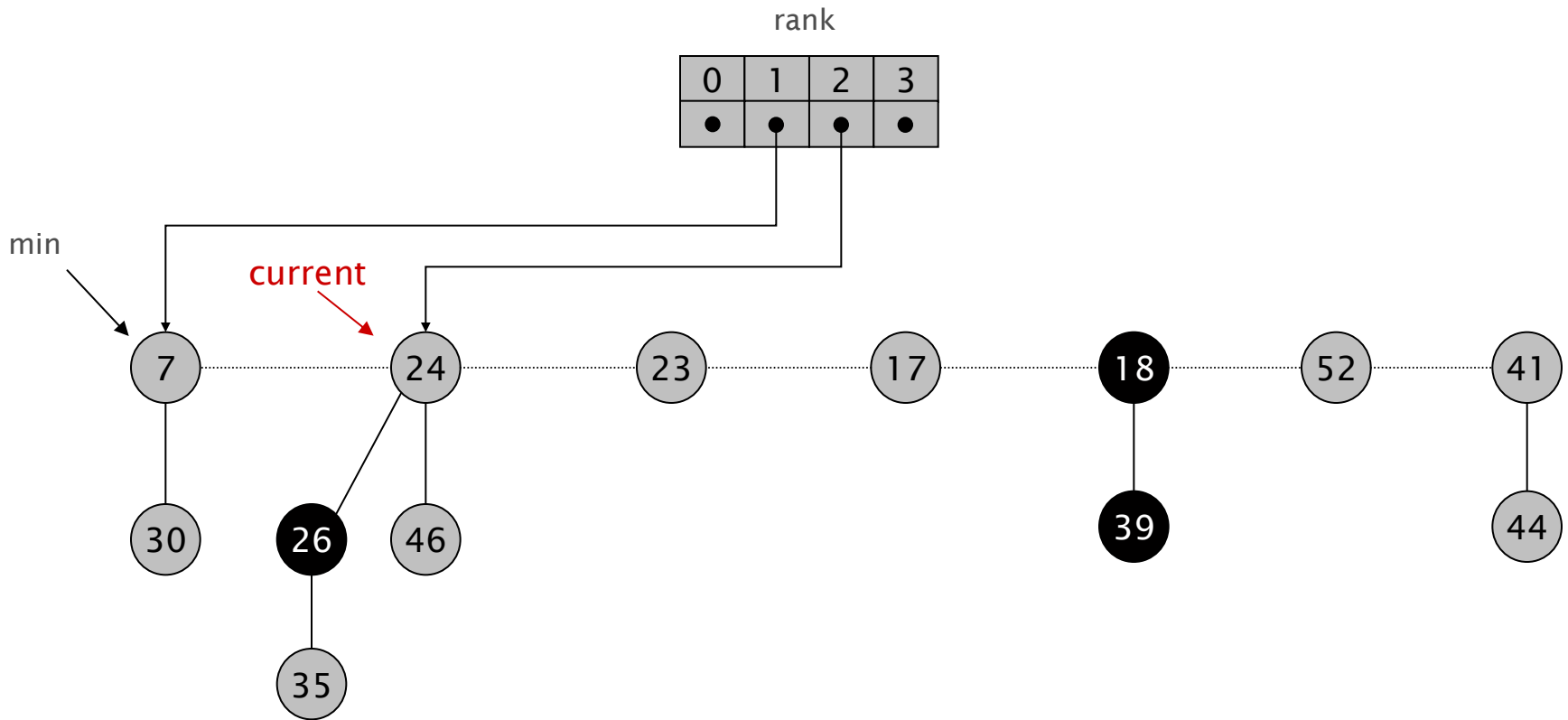
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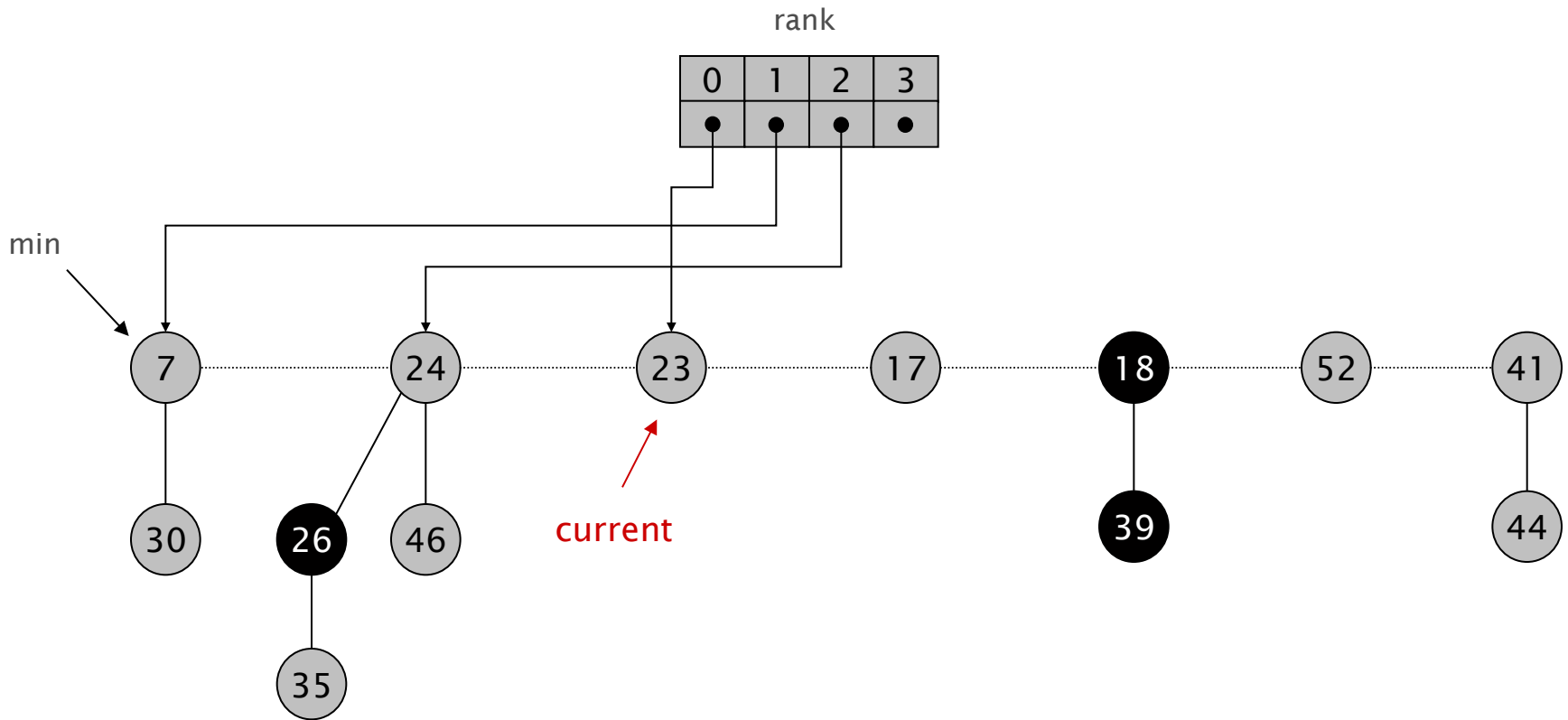
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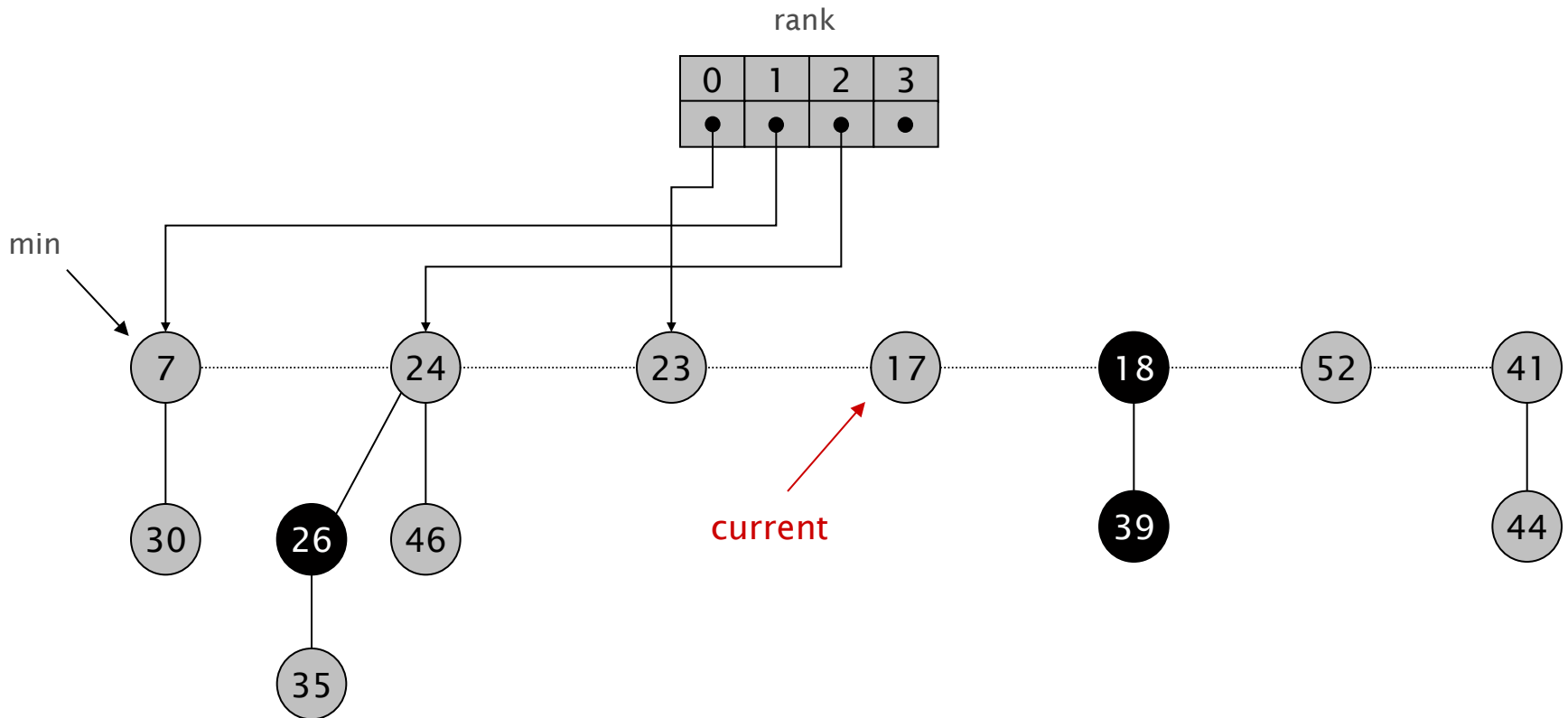
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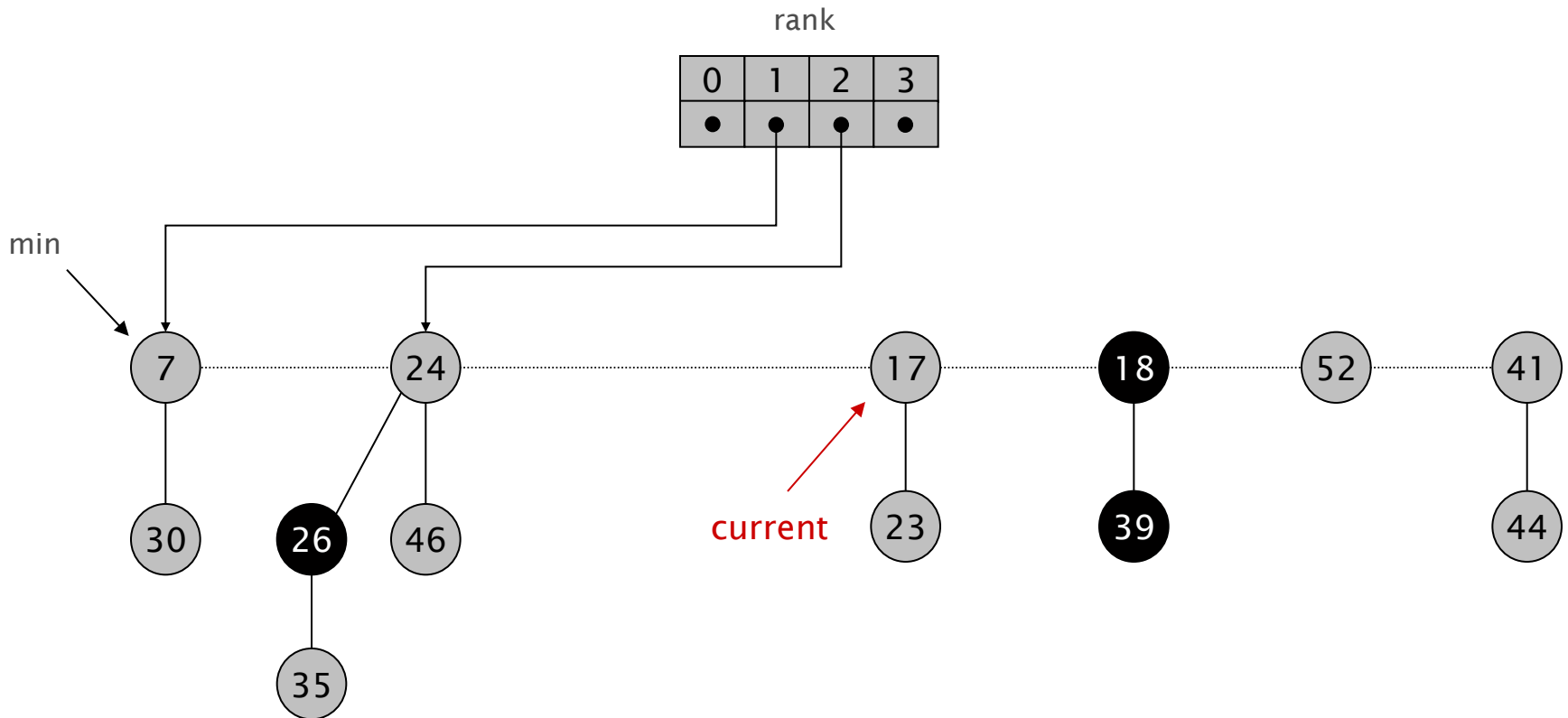


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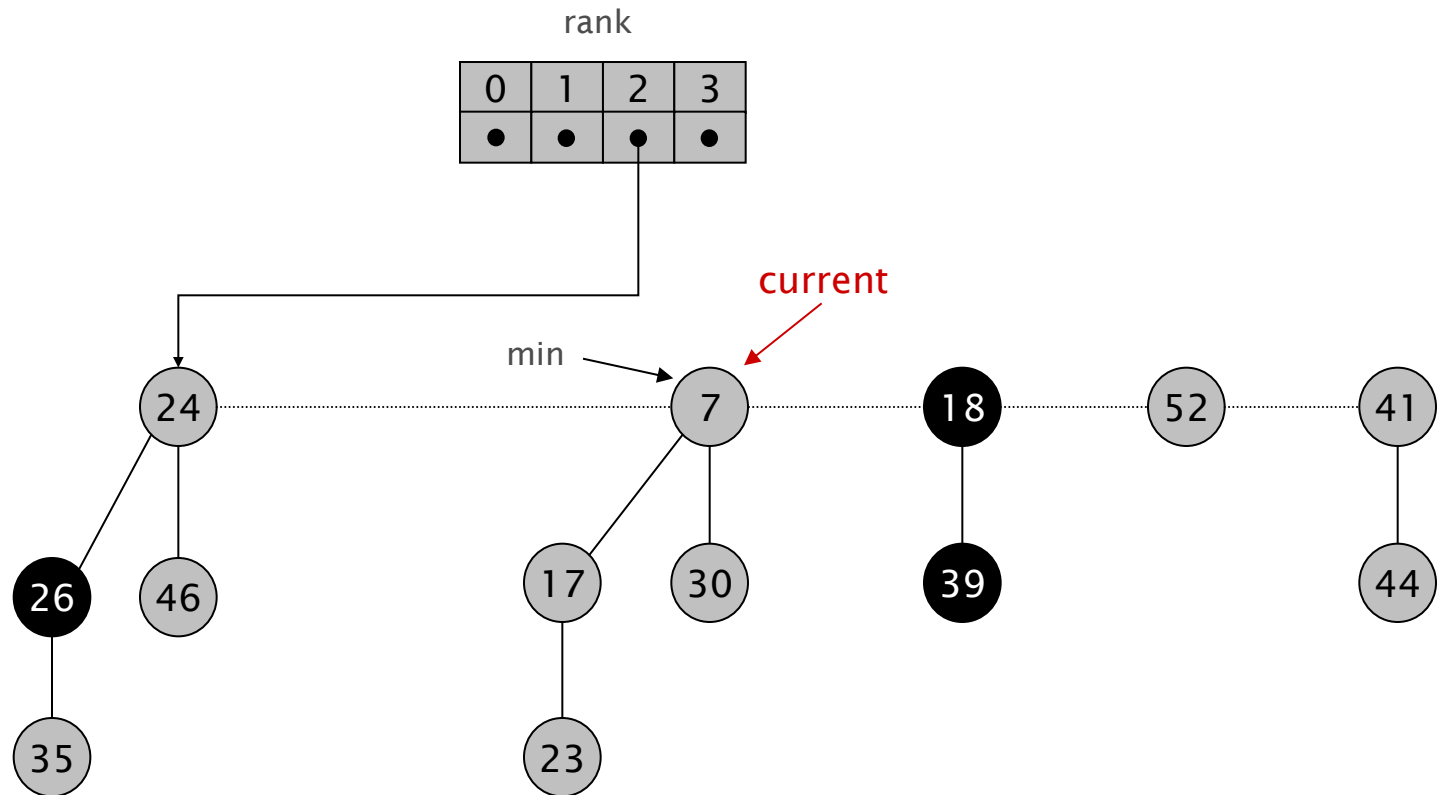
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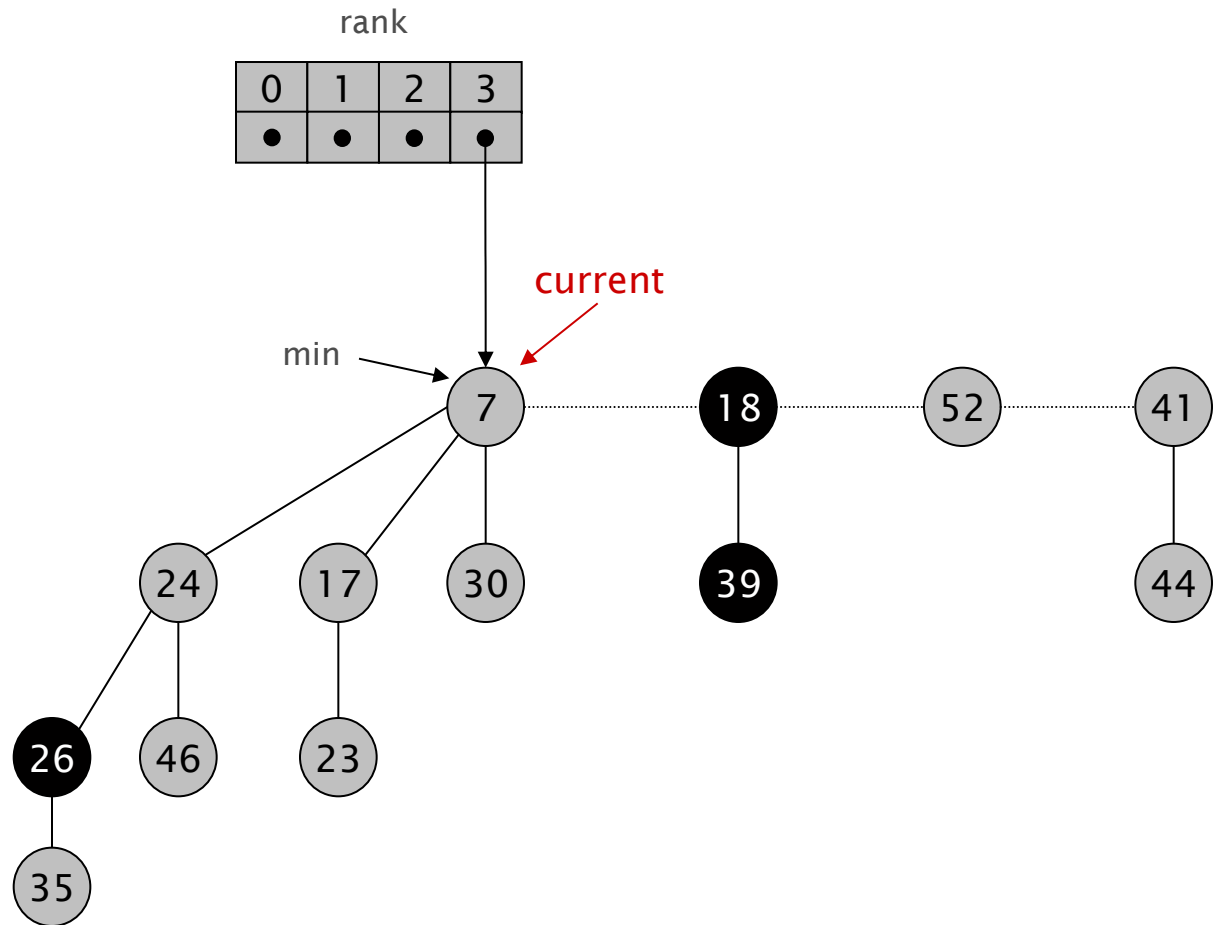
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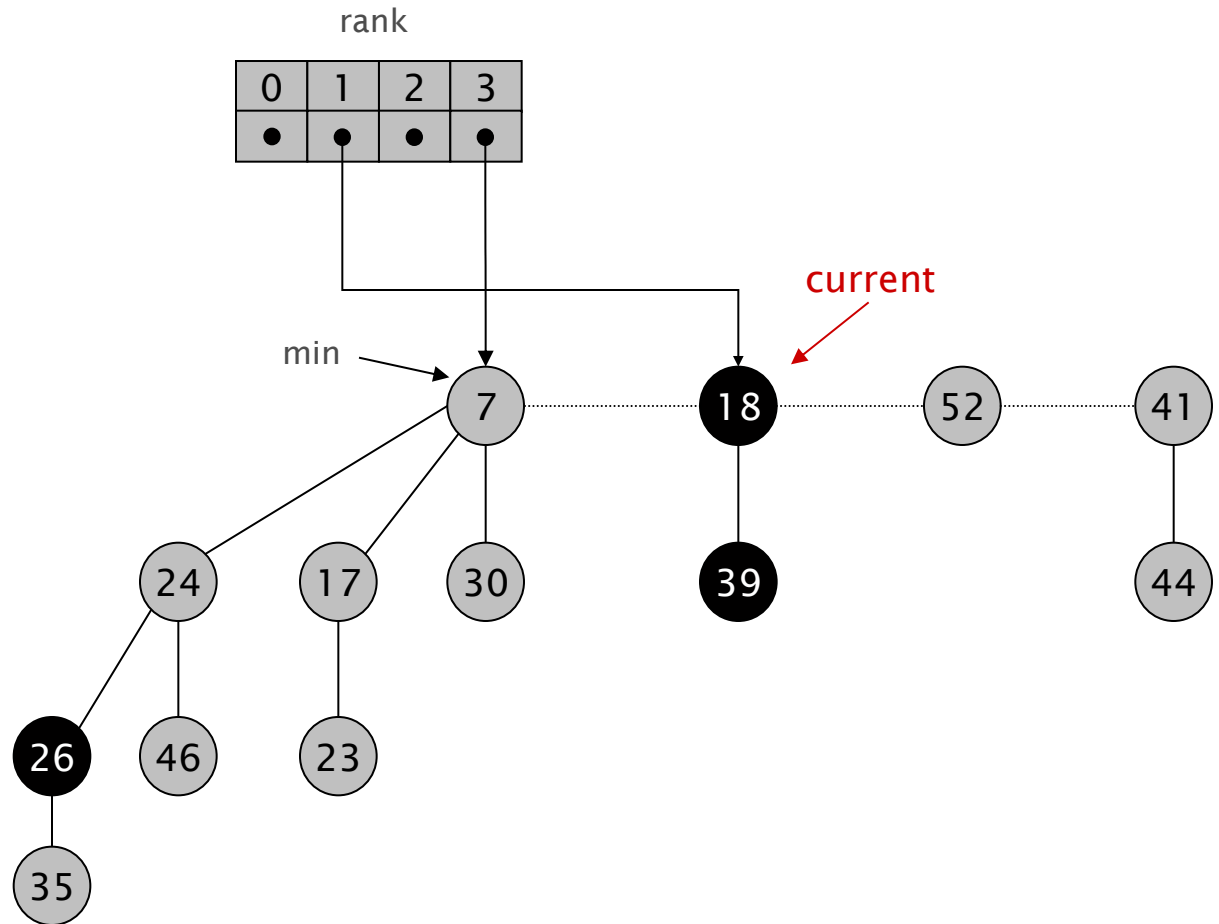
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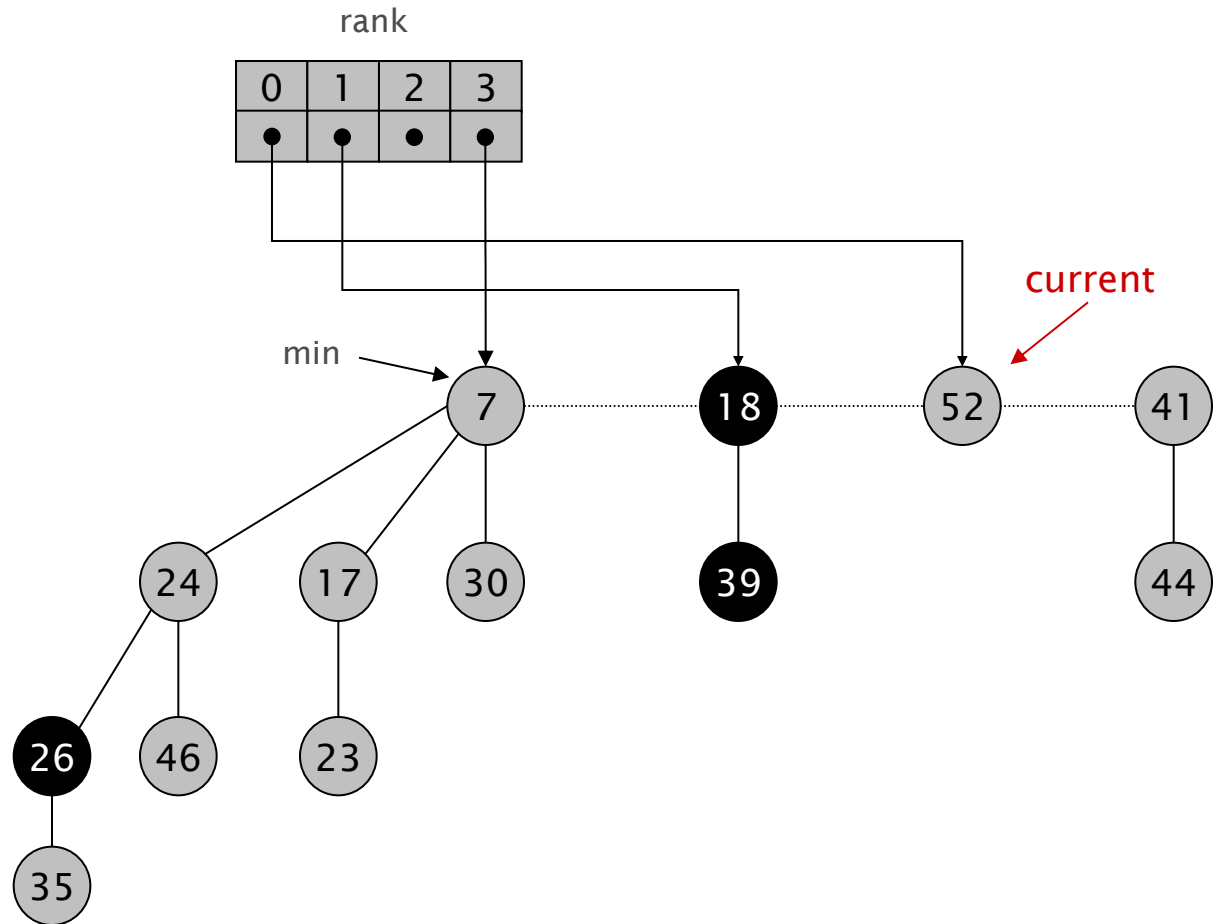
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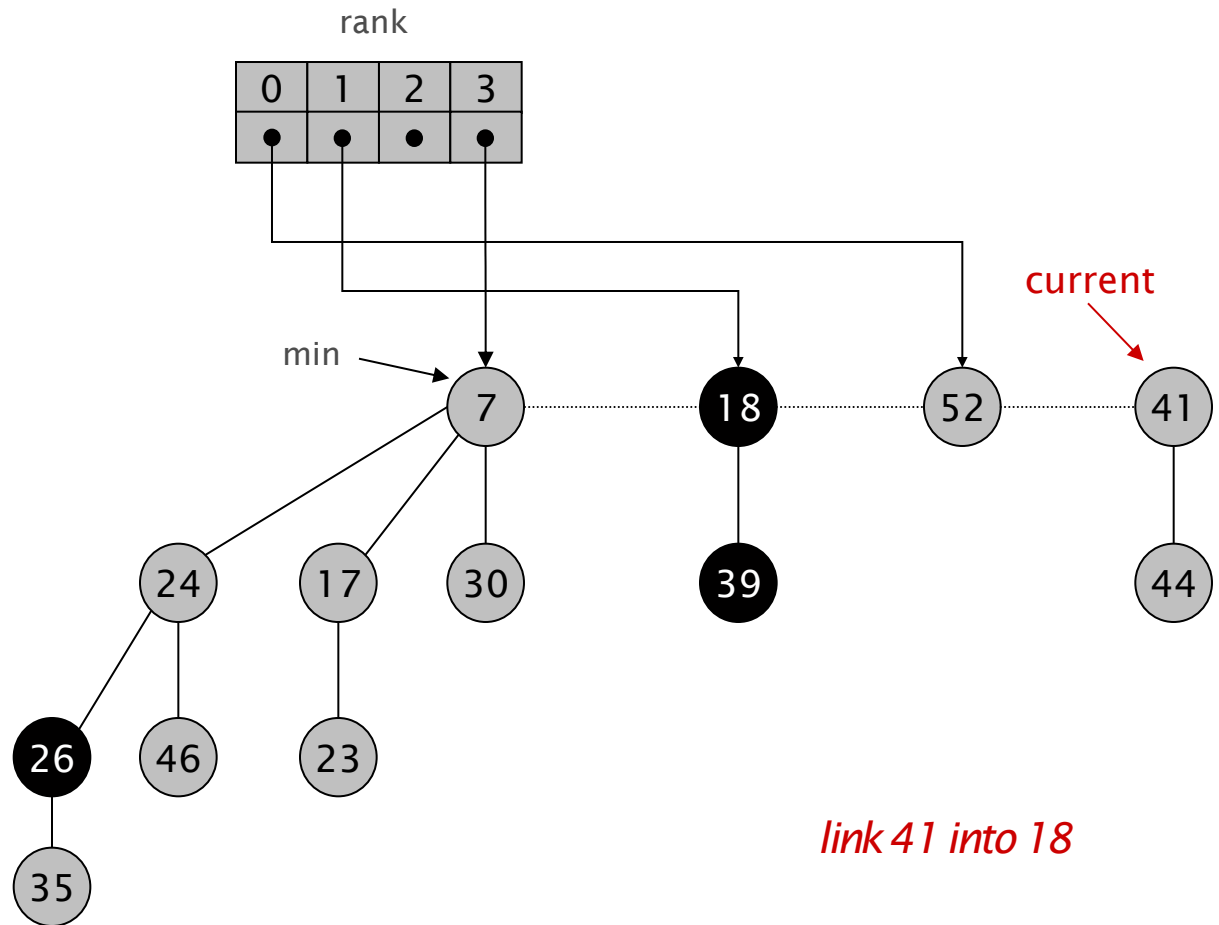
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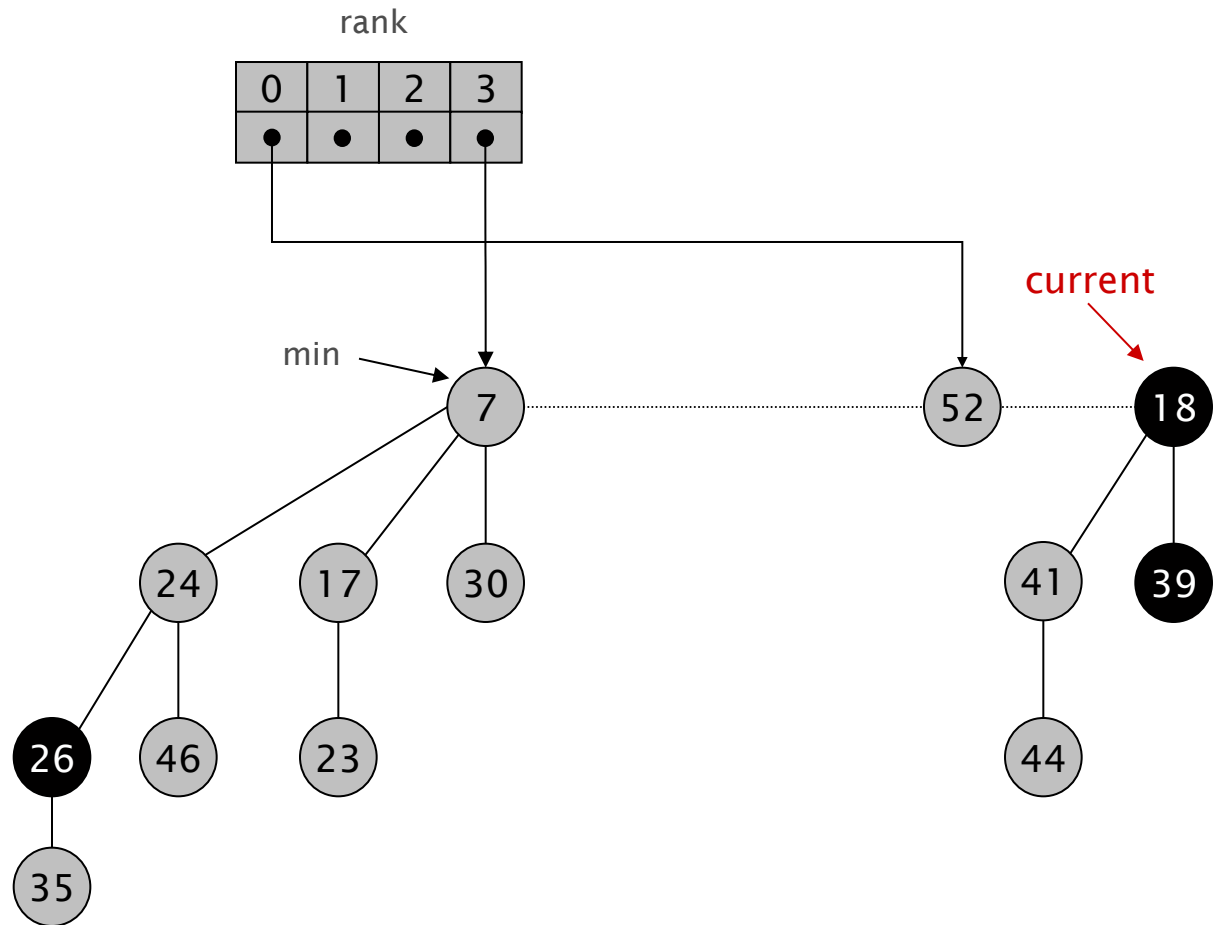
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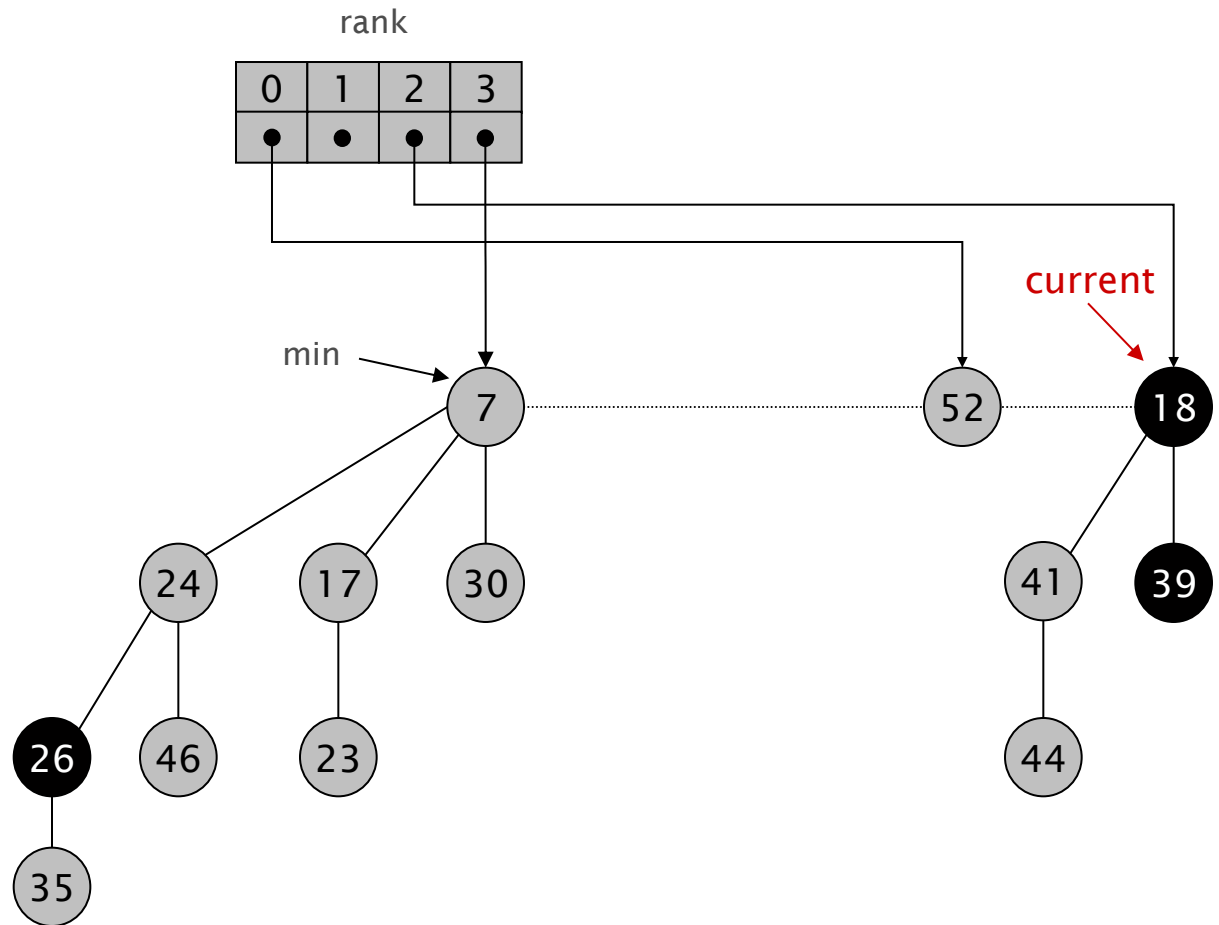
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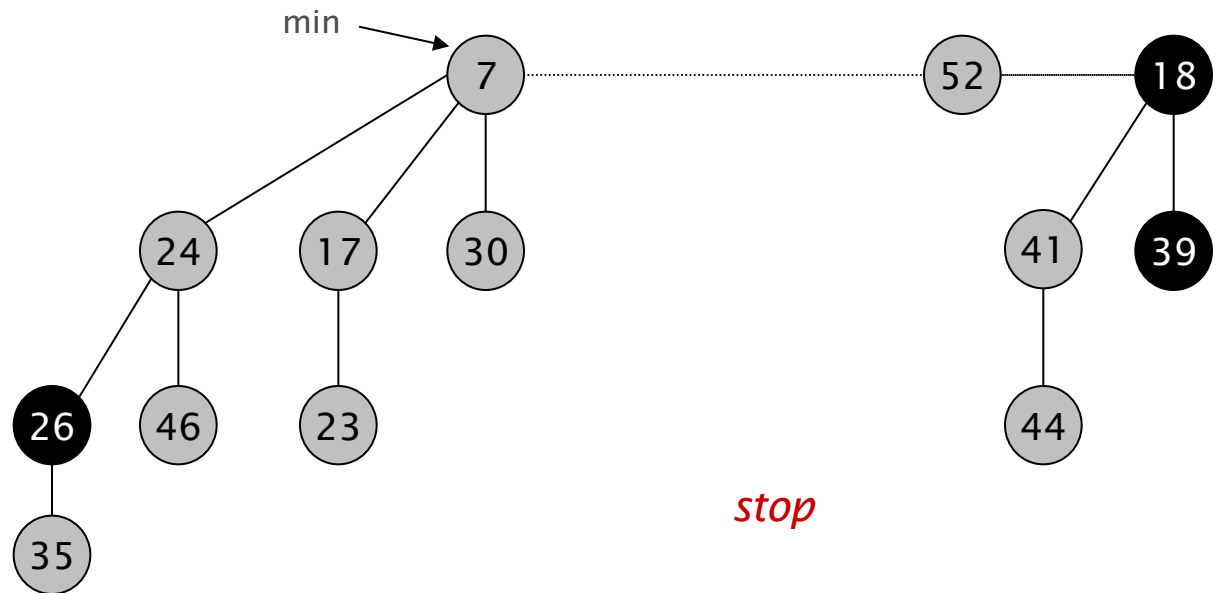
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Fibonacci Heaps: ExtractMin Analysis

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

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

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

Fibonacci Heaps: Delete Min Analysis

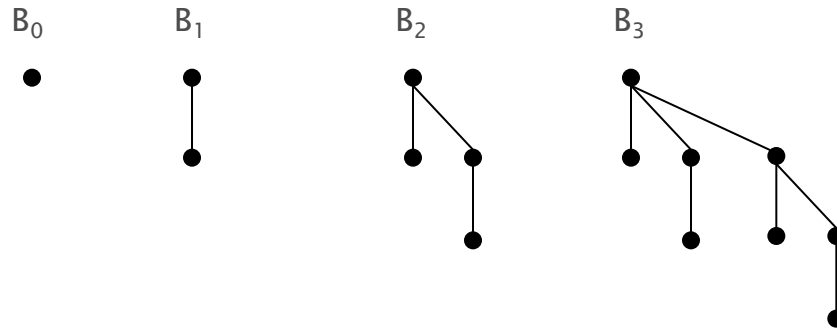
Q. Is amortized cost of $O(\text{rank}(H))$ good?

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

- In this case, all trees are binomial trees.

- This implies $\text{rank}(H) \leq \lg n$.

we only link trees of equal rank



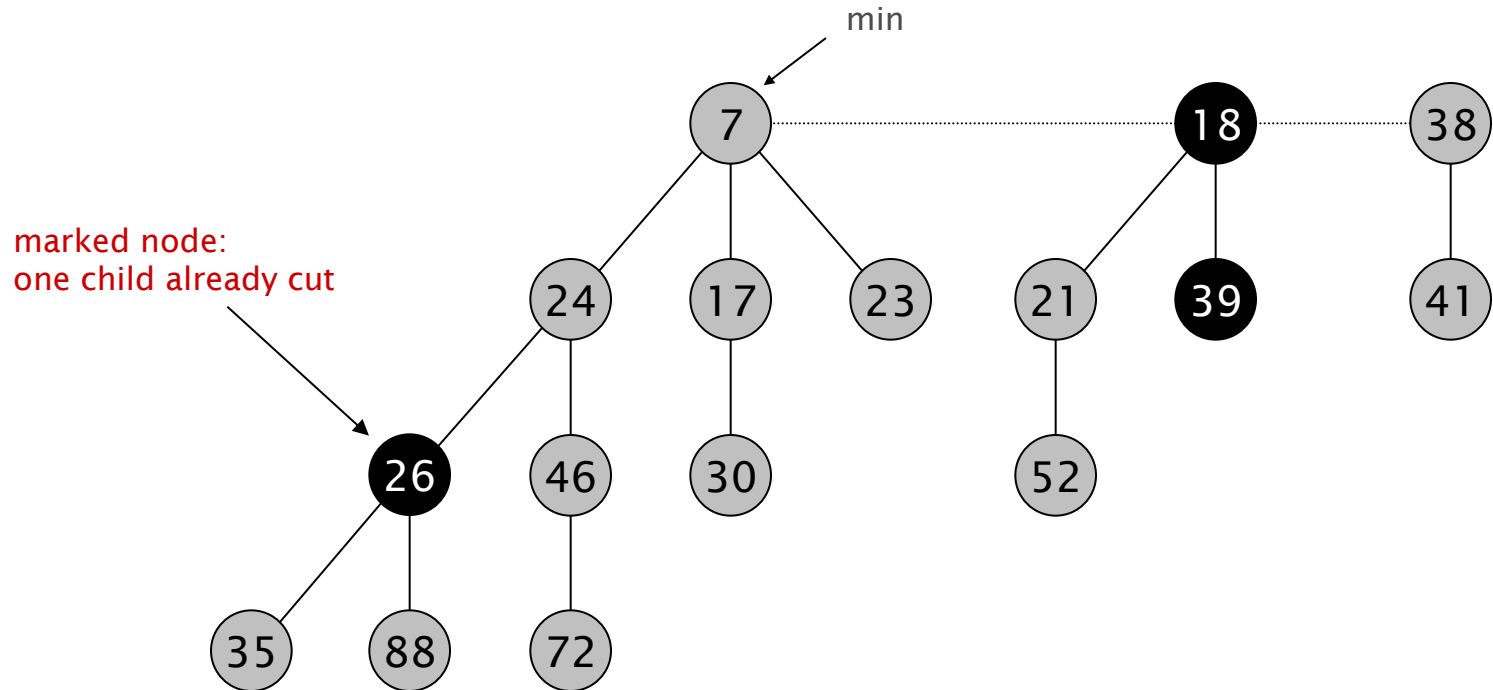
A. Yes, we'll implement decrease-key so that $\text{rank}(H) = O(\log n)$.

Decrease Key

Fibonacci Heaps: Decrease Key

Intuition for decreasing the key of node x.

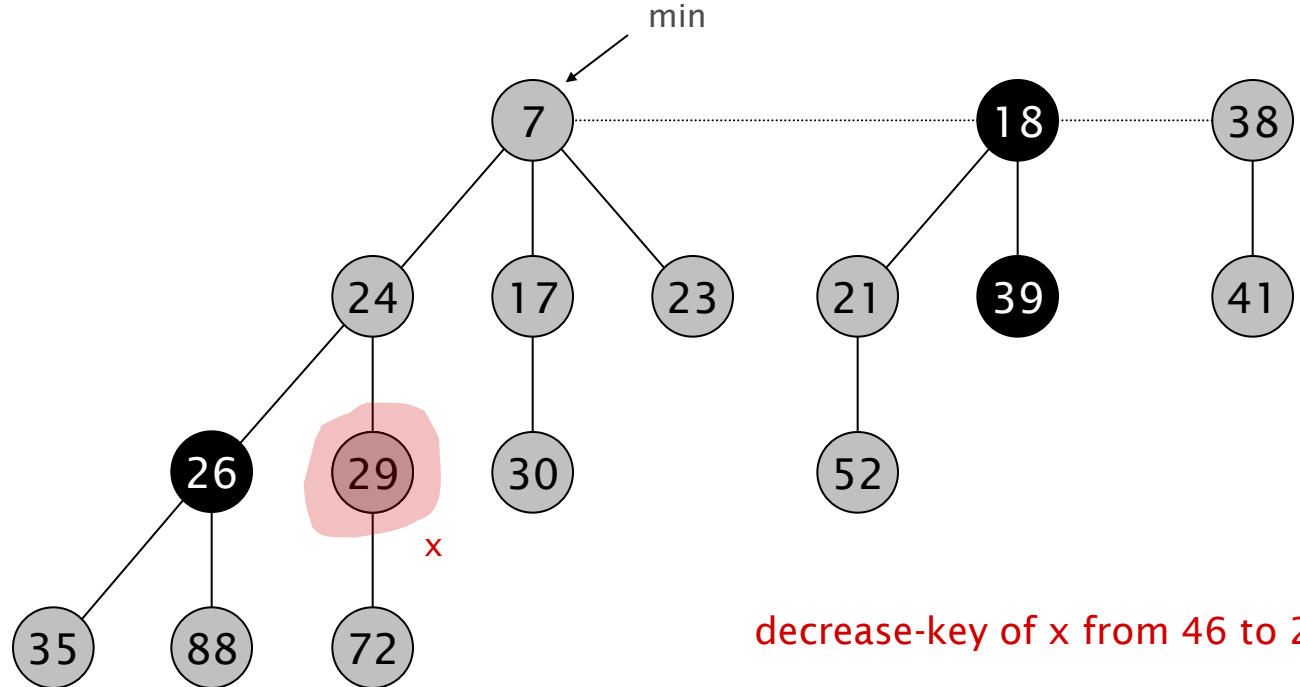
- If heap-order is not violated, just decrease the key of x.
- Otherwise, cut tree rooted at x and meld into root list.
- To keep trees flat: as soon as a node has its second child cut, cut it off and meld into root list (and unmark it).



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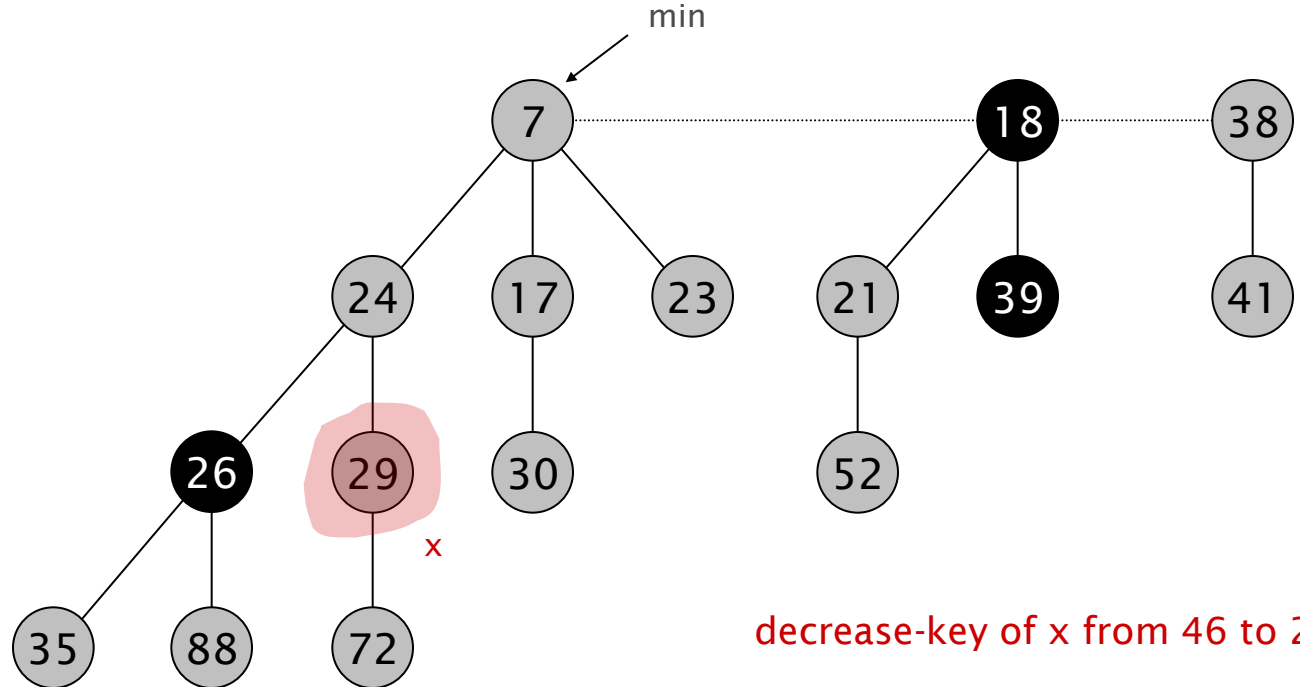
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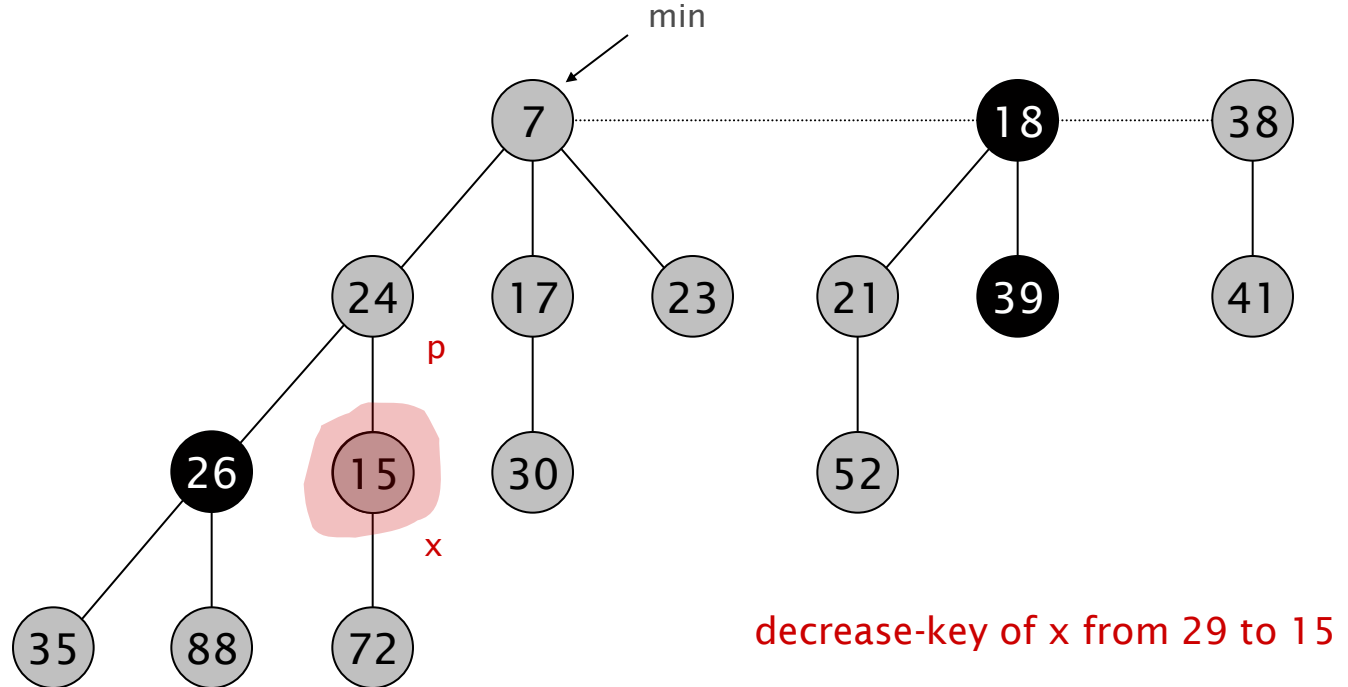
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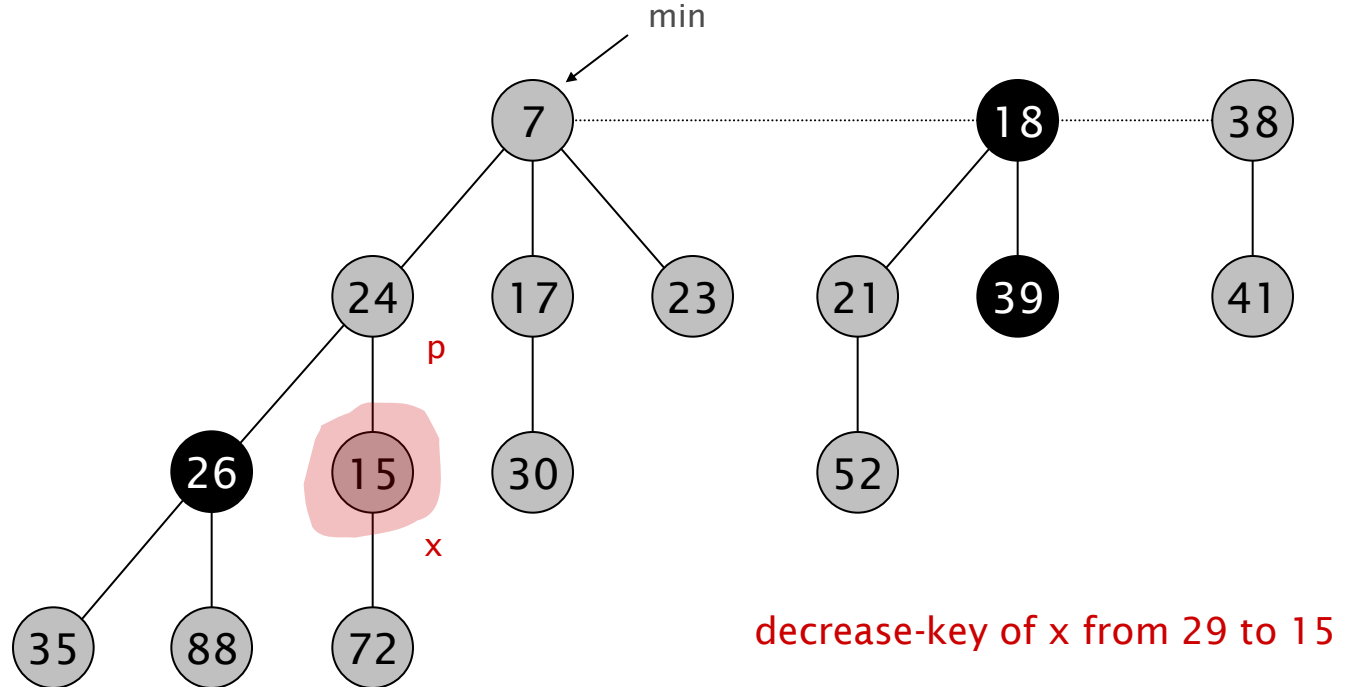
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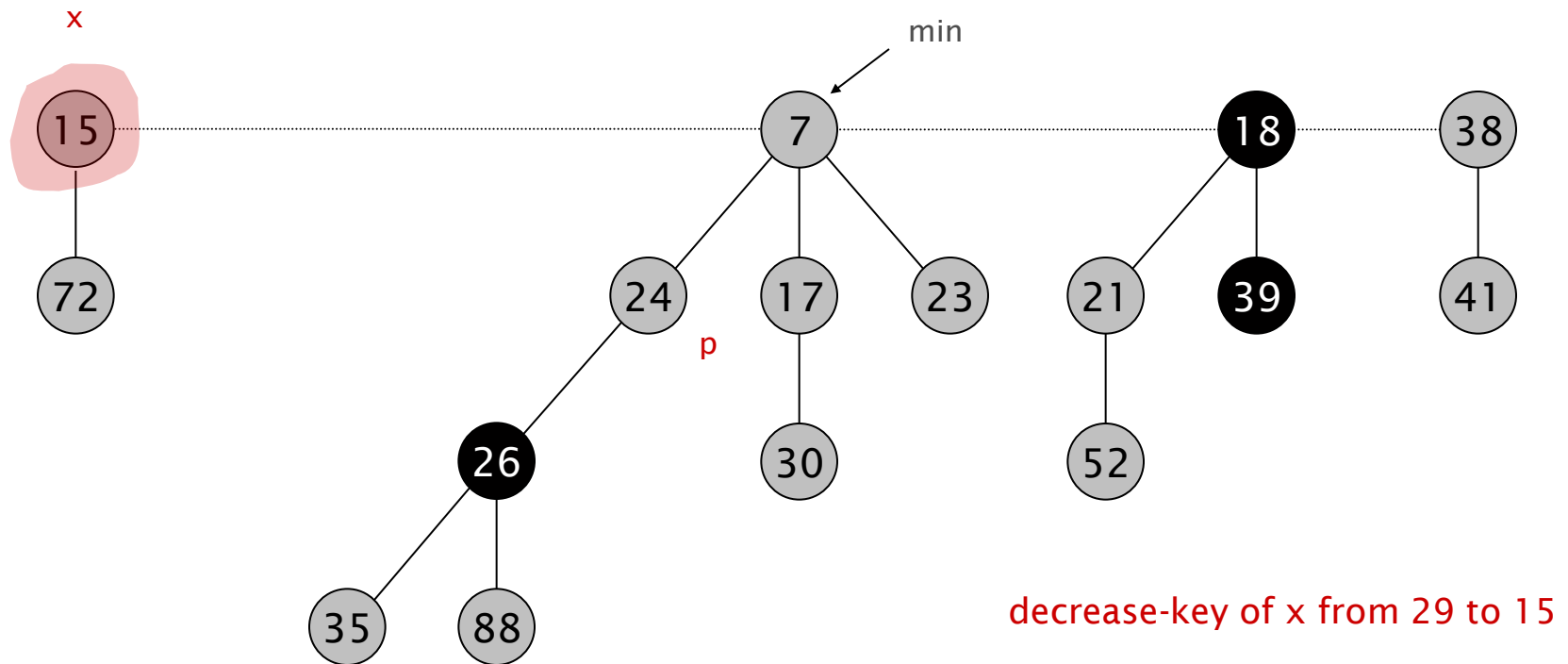
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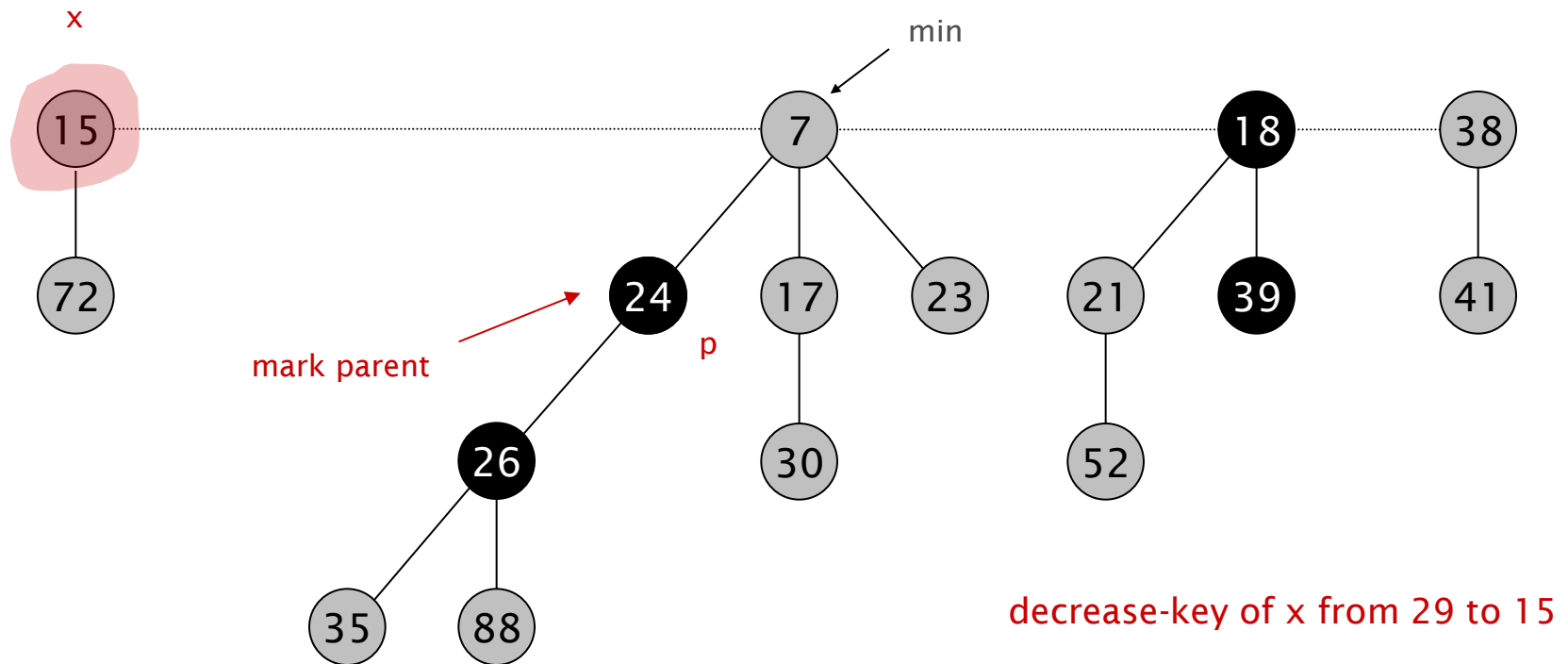
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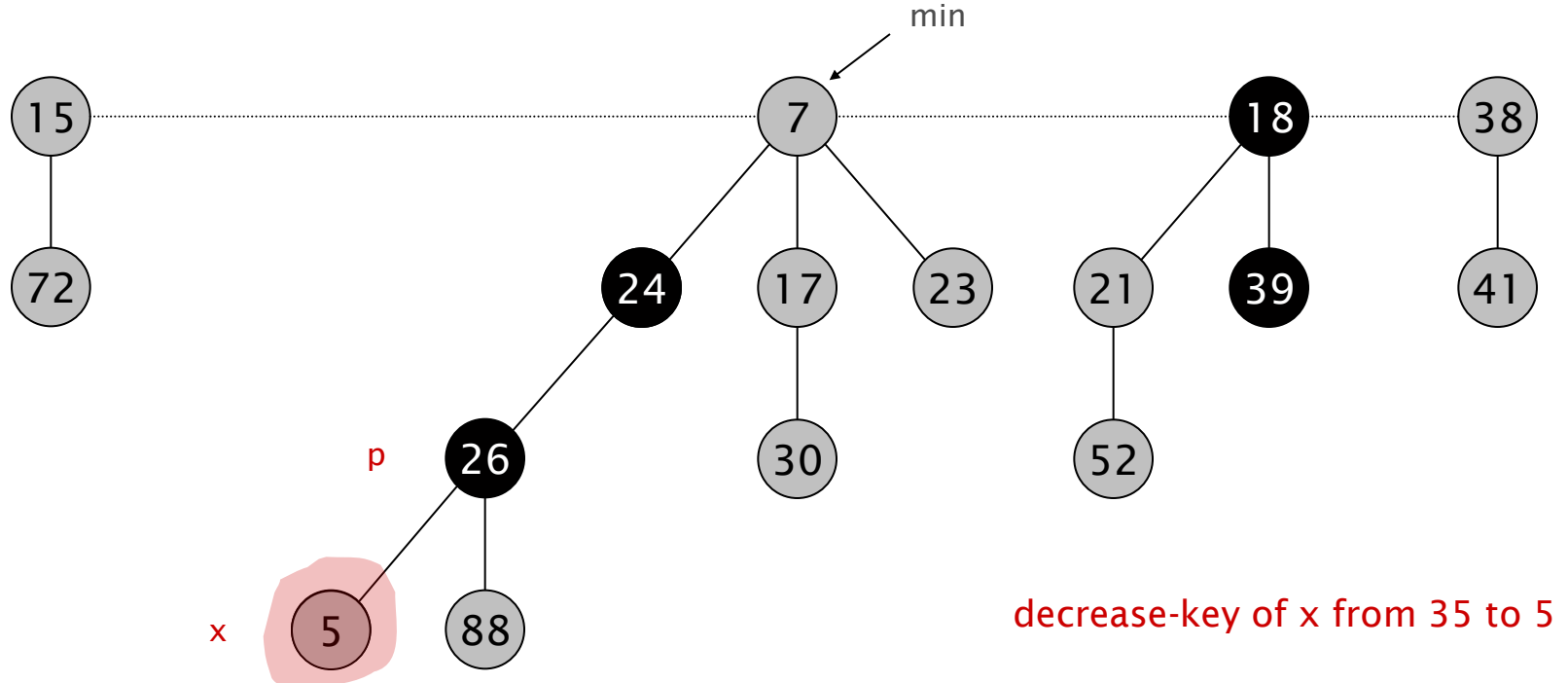
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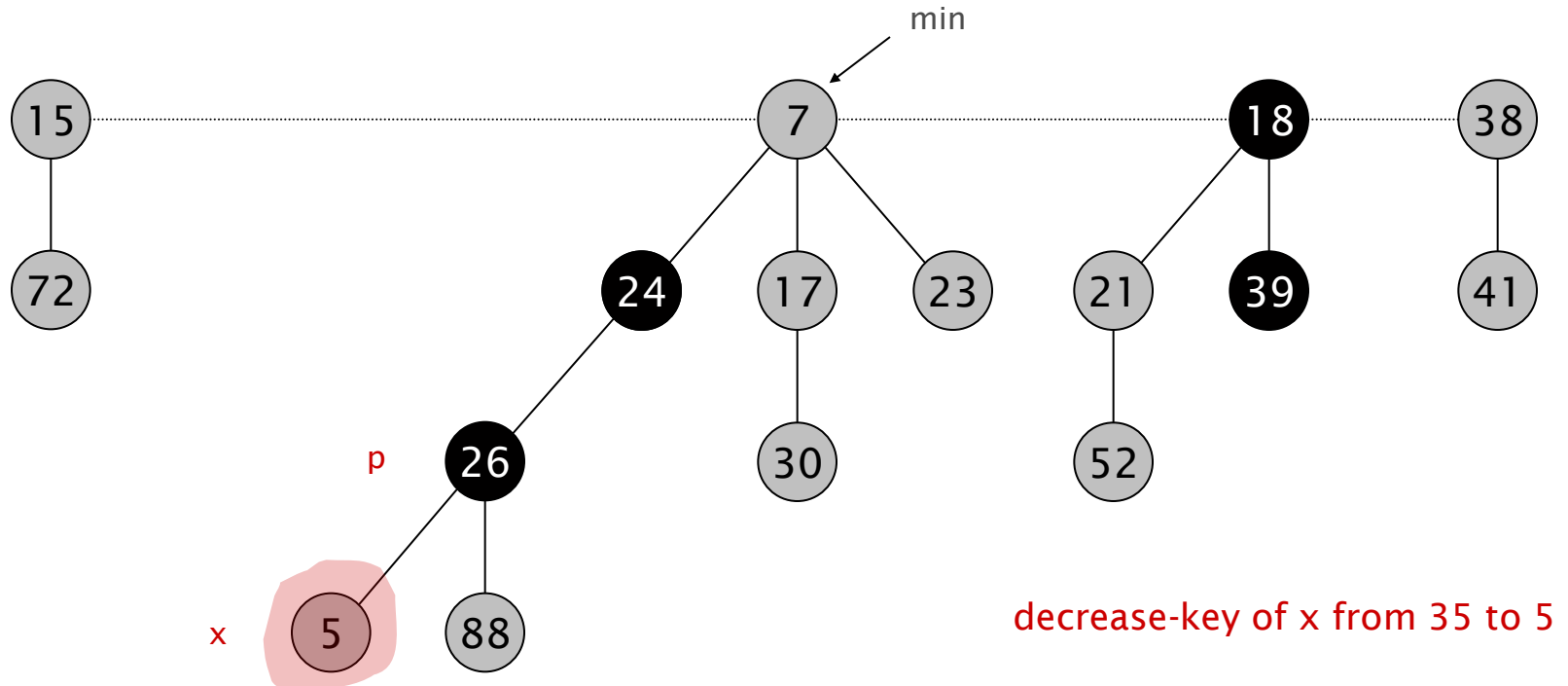
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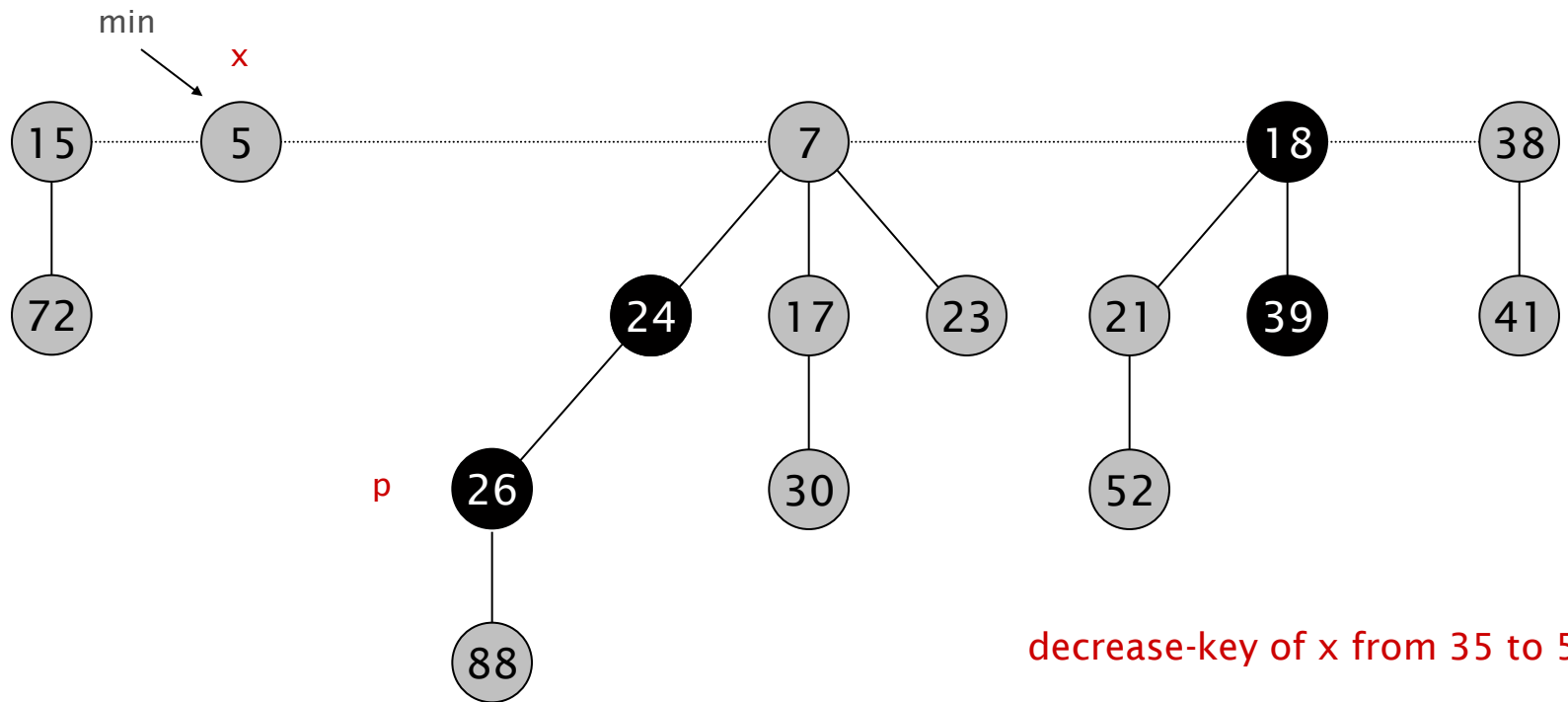
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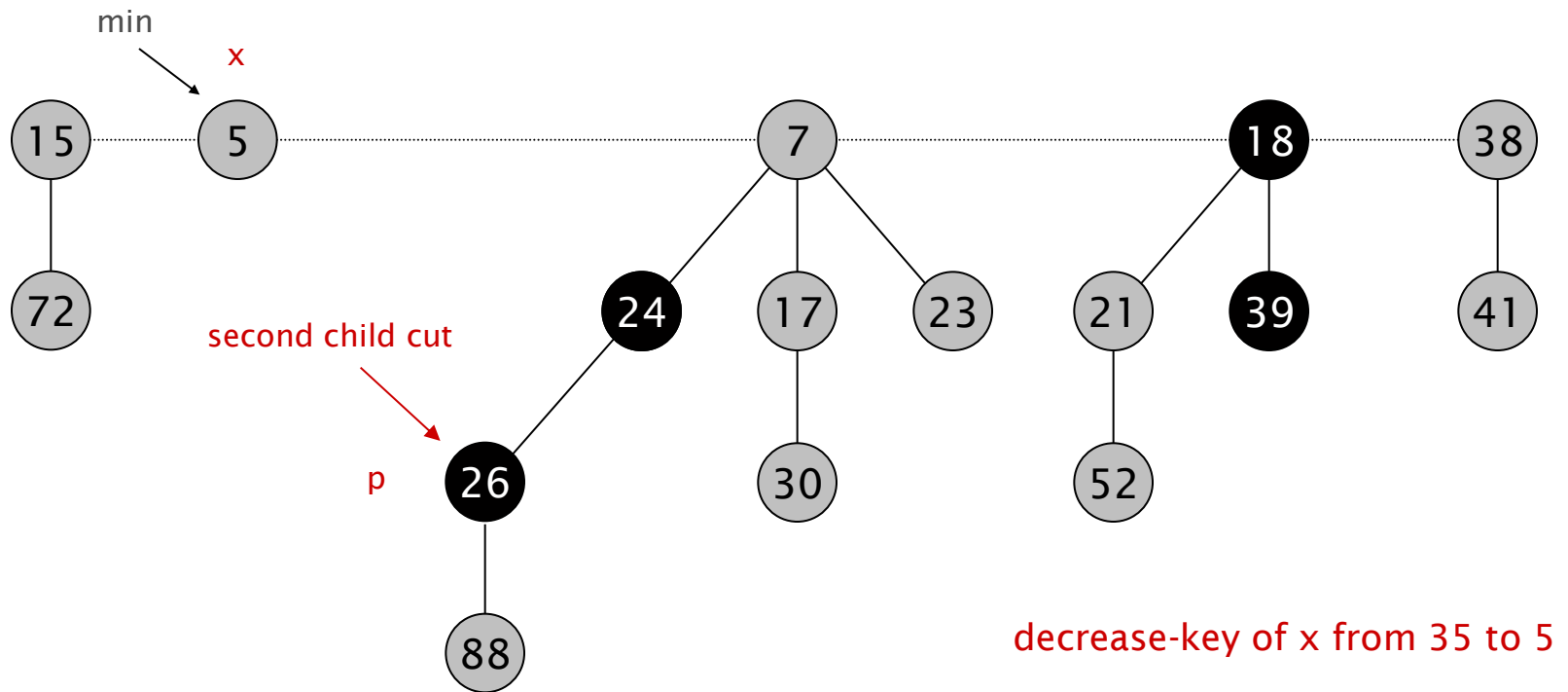
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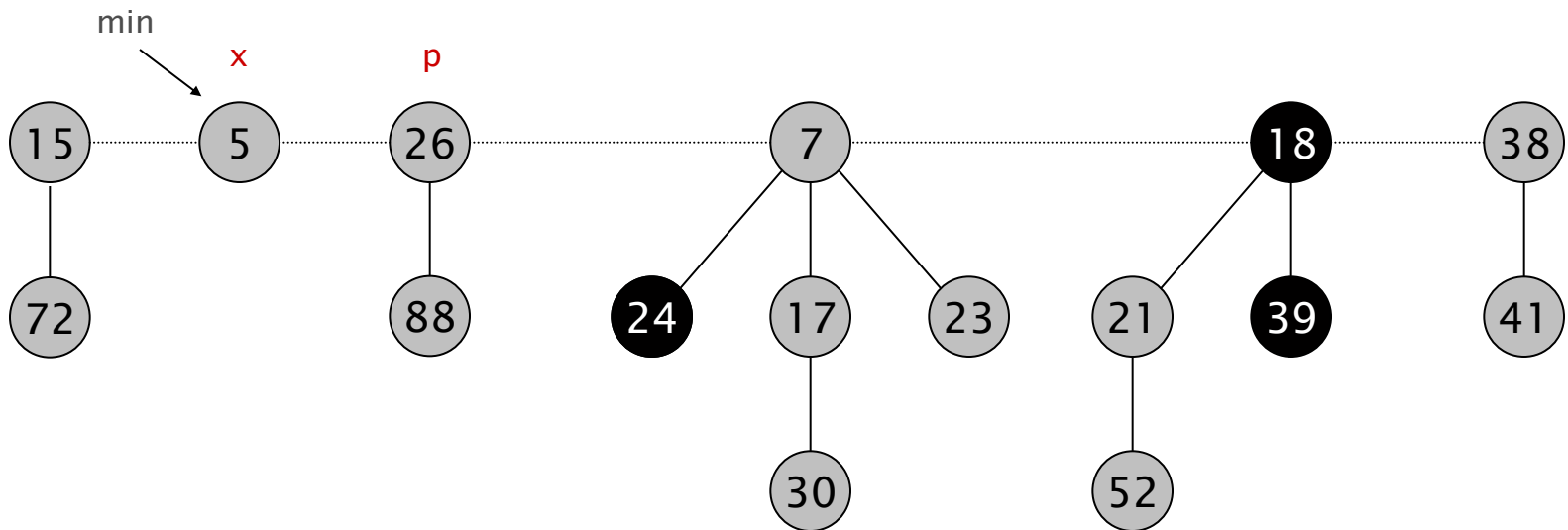
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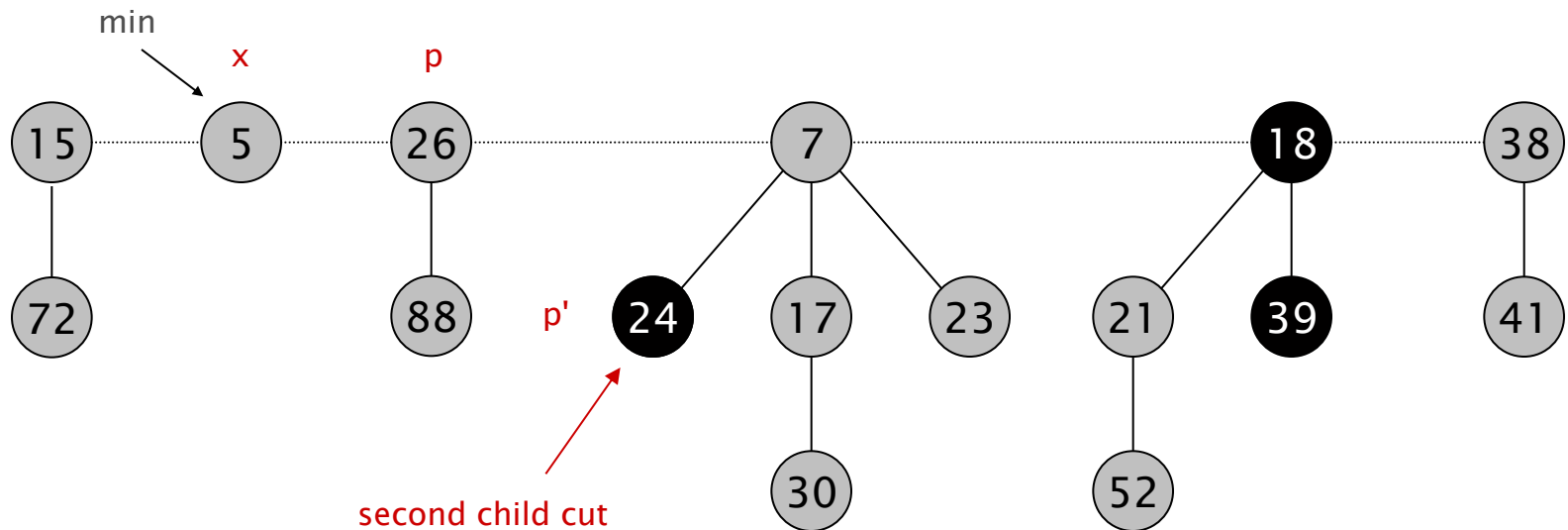


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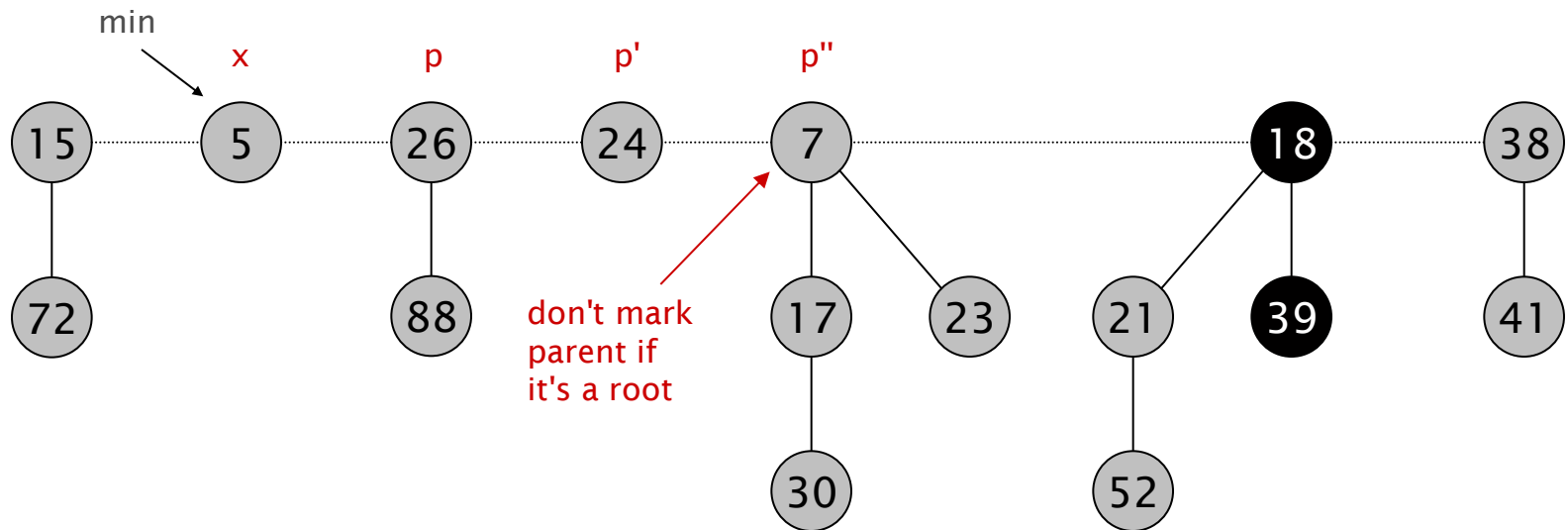


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Fibonacci Heaps: Decrease Key Analysis

Decrease-key.

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potential function

Actual cost. $O(c)$

- $O(1)$ 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

Analysis Summary

Insert. $O(1)$
Delete-min. $O(\text{rank}(H))$ †
Decrease-key. $O(1)$ †

† amortized

Key lemma. $\text{rank}(H) = O(\log n)$.

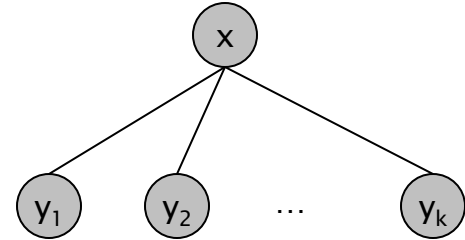


number of nodes is exponential in rank

Fibonacci Heaps: Bounding the Rank

Lemma. Fix a point in time. Let x be a node, and let y_1, \dots, y_k denote its children in the order in which they were linked to x . Then:

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



Pf.

- When y_i was linked into x (during Consolidate), x had at least $i-1$ children y_1, \dots, y_{i-1} .
- Since only trees of equal rank are linked, at that time $\text{rank}(y_i) = \text{rank}(x_i) \geq i-1$.
- Since then, y_i has lost at most one child (with Cut).
- Thus, right now $\text{rank}(y_i) \geq i-2$.

or y_i would have been cut

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Fibonacci Heaps: Bounding the Rank

Why are they called Fibonacci heaps?

$$F_k = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } k = 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } k = 1 \\ F_{k-1} + F_{k-2} & \text{if } k \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

Lemma: For all $k \geq 0$ $F_{k+2} = 1 + \sum_{i=0}^k F_i$

Lemma: For all $k \geq 0$, the $(k+2)$ nd Fibonacci number satisfies $F_{k+2} \geq \phi^k$, where $\phi = (1 + \sqrt{5}) / 2 \approx 1.618$.

Lemma: let x be any node in a Fibonacci heap, and $k = \text{rank}(x)$, and $\text{size}(x)$ the number of nodes in the tree including x .

Then $\text{size}(x) \geq F_{k+2} \geq \phi^k$

$\text{rank}(n) \geq \text{size}(x) \geq \phi^k$

$K \leq \log_{\phi} n$

Fibonacci Heaps: Bounding the Rank

Def. Let F_k be smallest possible tree of rank k

