

CSC 225

Algorithms and Data Structures I

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Priority Queues

- A *priority queue (PQ)* is a container of elements, each having an associated *key*
- The keys determine the *priority* used to remove elements (i.e., `removeMin` or `removeMax`)
- The keys of the elements in a PQ must satisfy the *total order properties*
- The operations of a PQ are
 - **insert(k, e):** insert an element e with key k into PQ
 - **removeMin():** return and remove from PQ an element with the smallest key

Sequence-based Priority Queue

- Implementation with an unsorted sequence
 - Store the items of the priority queue in a list-based sequence, in arbitrary order



- Performance:
 - insert takes $O(1)$ time since we can insert the item at the beginning or end of the sequence
 - removeMin takes $O(n)$ time since we have to traverse the entire sequence to find the smallest key

- Implementation with a sorted sequence
 - Store the items of the priority queue in a sequence, sorted by key



- Performance:
 - insert takes $O(n)$ time since we have to find the place where to insert the item
 - removeMin takes $O(1)$ time since the smallest key is at the beginning of the sequence

Sorting with a Priority Queue

- We can use a priority queue to sort a set of comparable elements
 1. Insert the elements one by one with a series of $\text{insert}(e, e)$ operations
 2. Remove the elements in sorted order with a series of $\text{removeMin}()$ operations
- The running time of this sorting method depends on the priority queue implementation

Algorithm $PQ\text{-Sort}(S, P)$

Input: An n -element array, S , and a priority queue P

Output: Array S sorted in increasing order

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for  $i \leftarrow 1$  to  $n$  do
     $e \leftarrow S[i]$ 
     $P.\text{insert}(e, e)$ 
for  $i \leftarrow 1$  to  $n$  do
     $e \leftarrow P.\text{removeMin}()$ 
     $S[i] \leftarrow e$ 
```

Selection-Sort

- Selection-sort is the variation of PQ-sort where the priority queue is implemented with an unsorted sequence



- Running time of Selection-sort:
 - Inserting the elements into the priority queue with n insert(e, e) operations takes $O(n)$ time
 - Removing the elements in sorted order from the priority queue with n removeMin operations takes time proportional to
$$1 + 2 + \dots + n$$

- Selection-sort runs in $O(n^2)$ time

Insertion-Sort

- Insertion-sort is the variation of PQ-sort where the priority queue is implemented with a sorted sequence



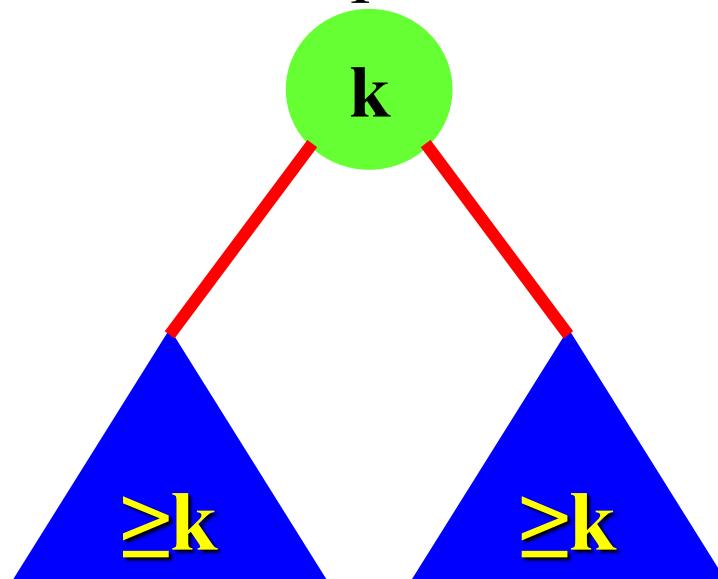
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The Heap Data Structure

- A *heap* is a realization of a Priority Queue that is efficient for both insertions and removals of minima (meaning one of possibly many minimum values)

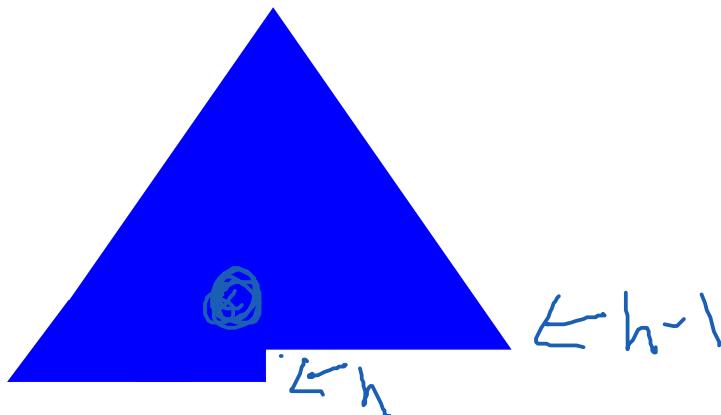
Heap Definition

- A *heap* is a complete binary tree that stores a collection of keys at its internal nodes
- A heap satisfies the following properties:
 - *Heap-Order Property*: for every node v other than the root, the key stored at v is greater than or equal to the key stored at v 's parent.



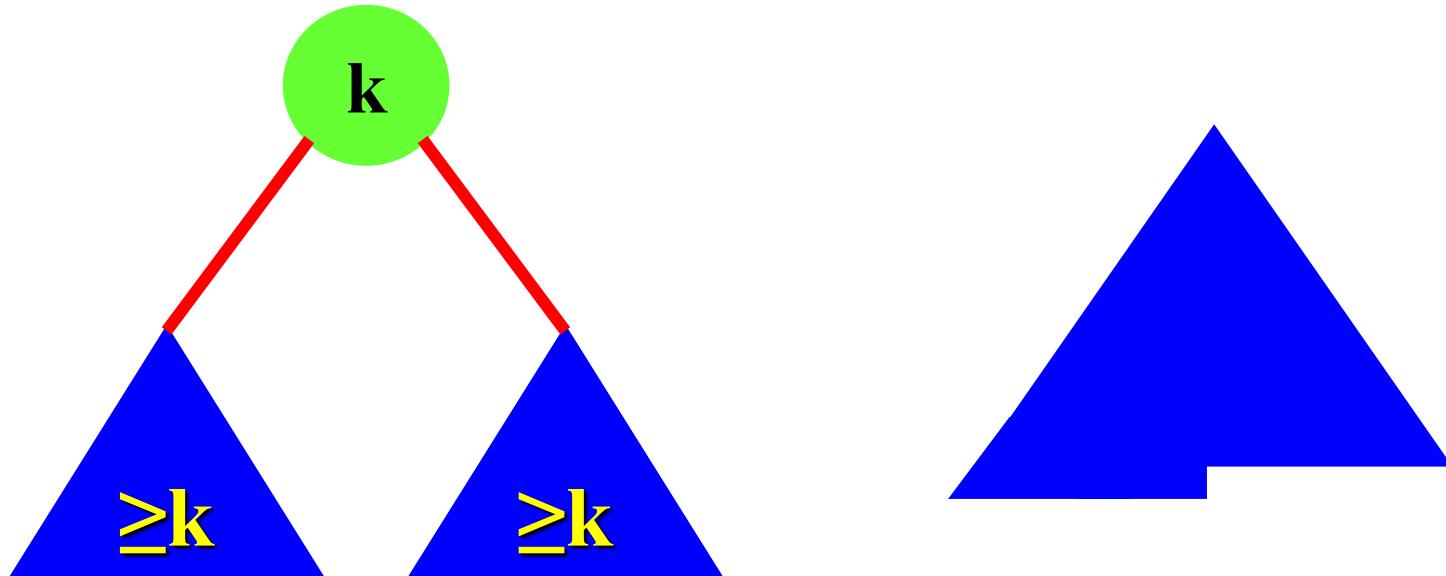
Complete Binary Tree

- *Complete Binary Tree*: A binary tree with height h is complete if
 - the depths $0, 1, 2, \dots, h-2$ have the maximum number of nodes possible and
 - at depth $h-1$, the internal nodes are all to the left of the leaves
- Heap Shape property
 - A heap is a complete binary tree



Heap Properties

- Order property
- Shape property

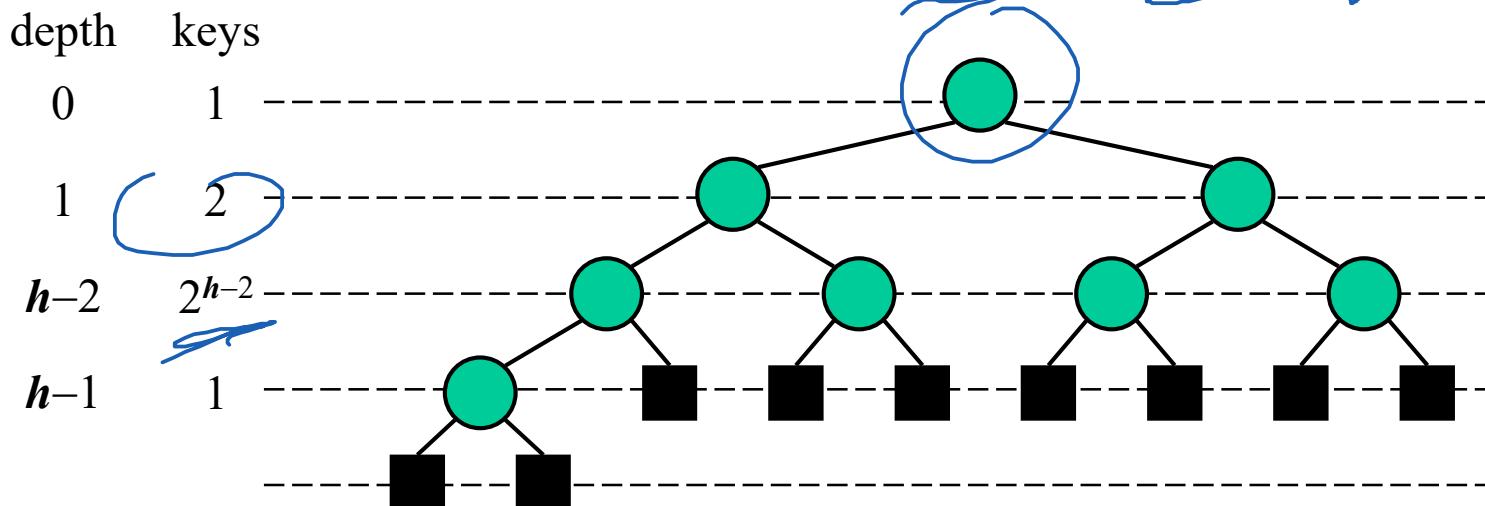


Height of a Heap

- Theorem: A heap storing n keys has height $O(\log n)$

Proof: (we apply the complete binary tree property)

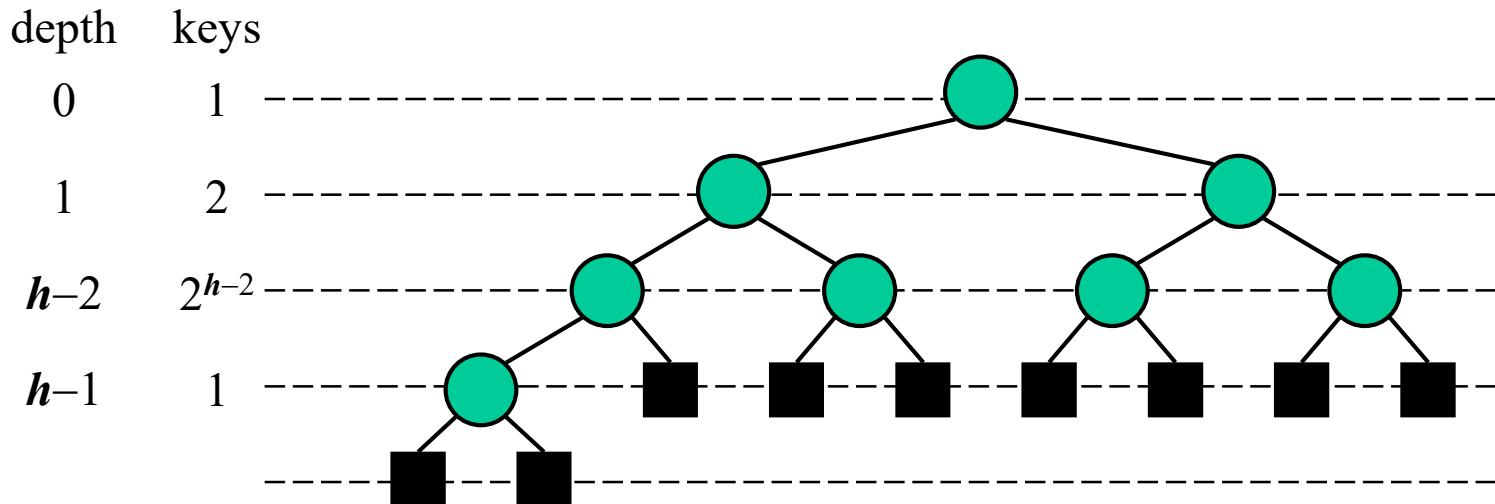
$$\begin{aligned}
 n &\geq [2^0 + 2^1 + \dots + 2^{h-1}] \\
 &= \frac{1 - 2^{h-1}}{1 - 2} = 1 = 2^{h-1} - 1 + 1 = 2^{h-1} \\
 \log_2 n &\geq h-1 \Rightarrow h \leq \log_2 n + 1
 \end{aligned}$$



min
heap

Height of a Heap

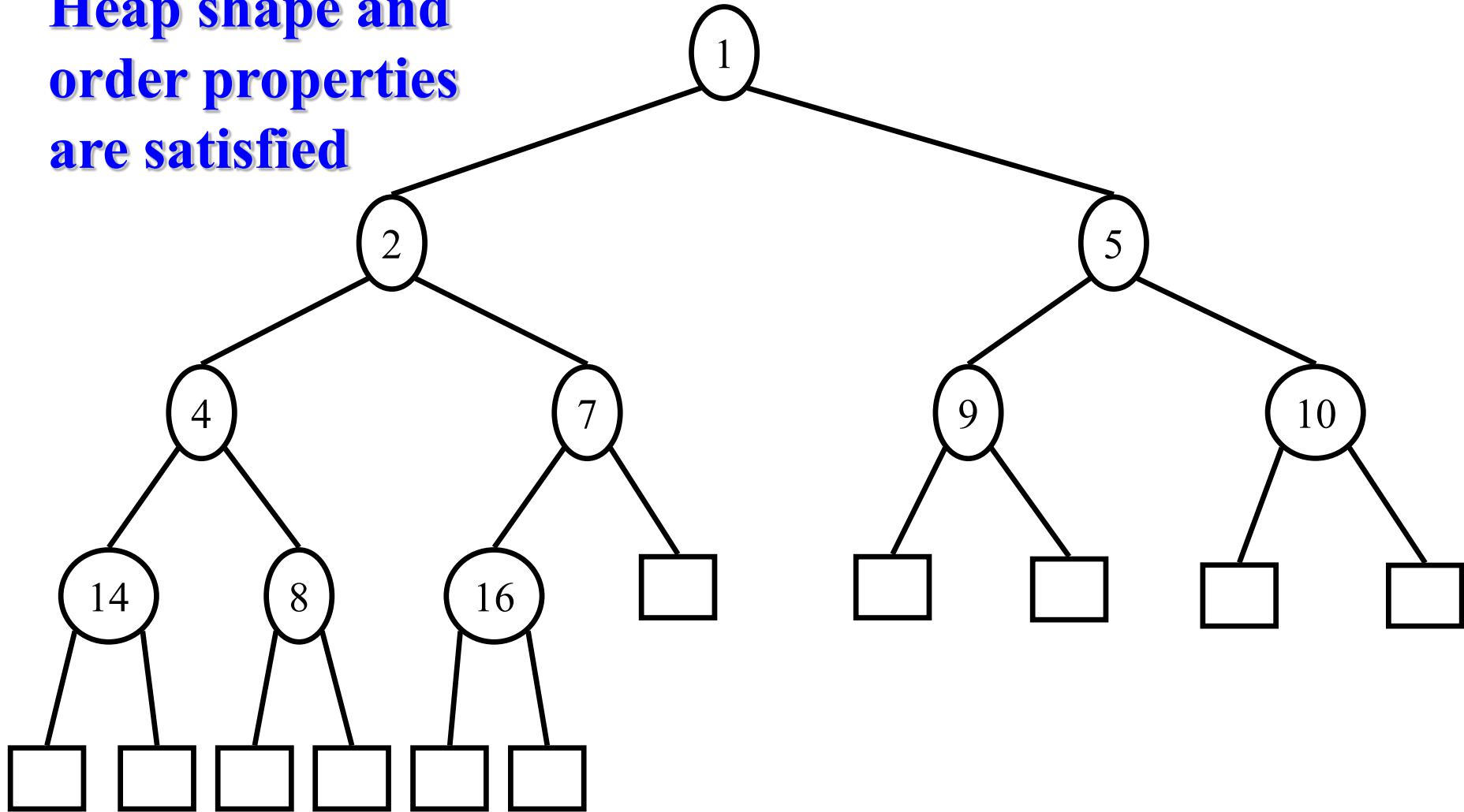
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 - Let h be the height of a heap storing n keys
 - Since there are 2^i keys at depth $i = 0, \dots, h - 2$ and at least one key at depth $h - 1$, we have $n \geq 1 + 2 + 4 + \dots + 2^{h-2} + 1$
 - Thus, $n \geq 2^{h-1}$, i.e., $h \leq \log n + 1$



Inserting an Element into a Heap

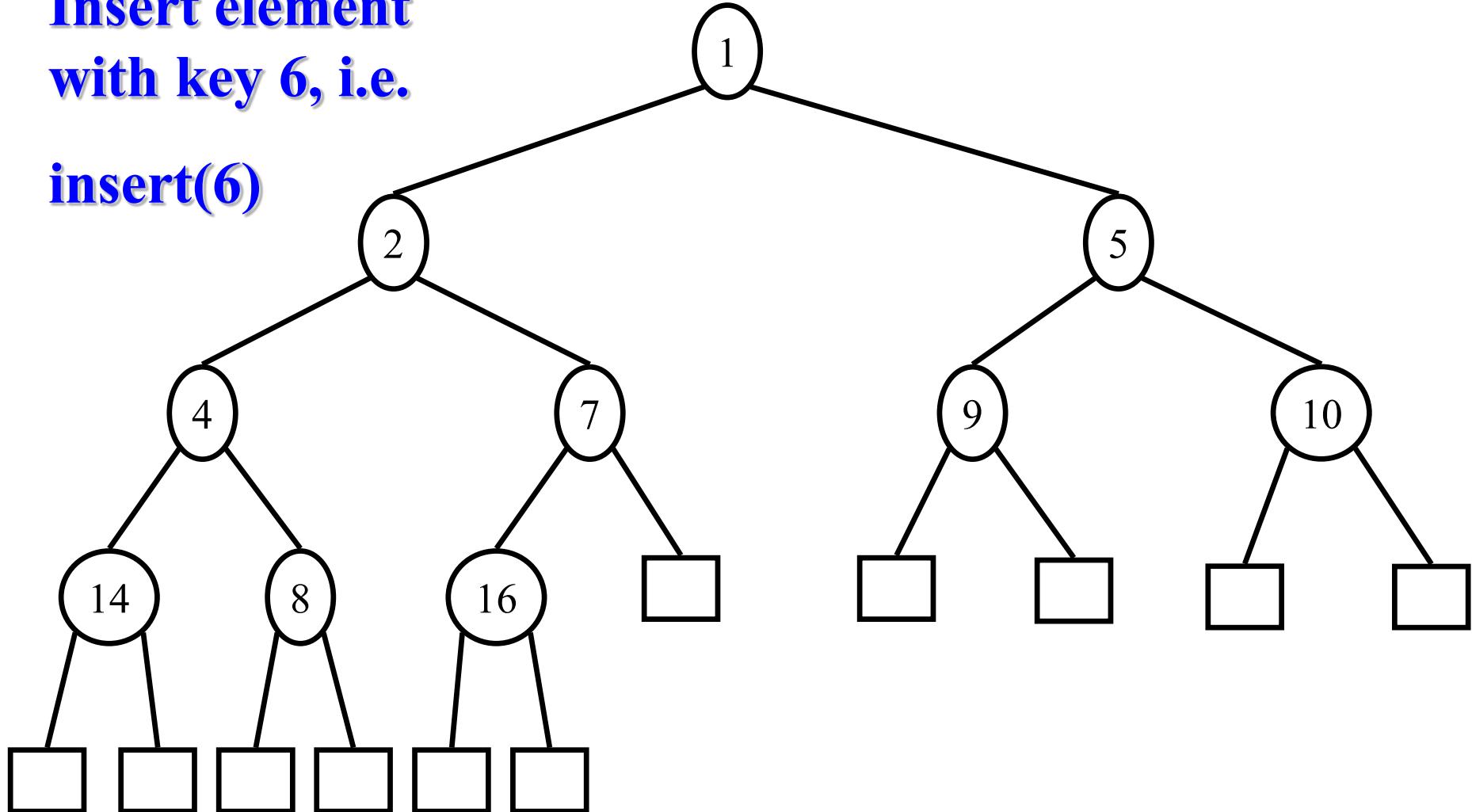
- Satisfy shape and order properties
- Satisfy shape property
 - Insert element at first available spot
- Satisfy order property
 - Bubble the element up the tree until the order property is restored

**Heap shape and
order properties
are satisfied**

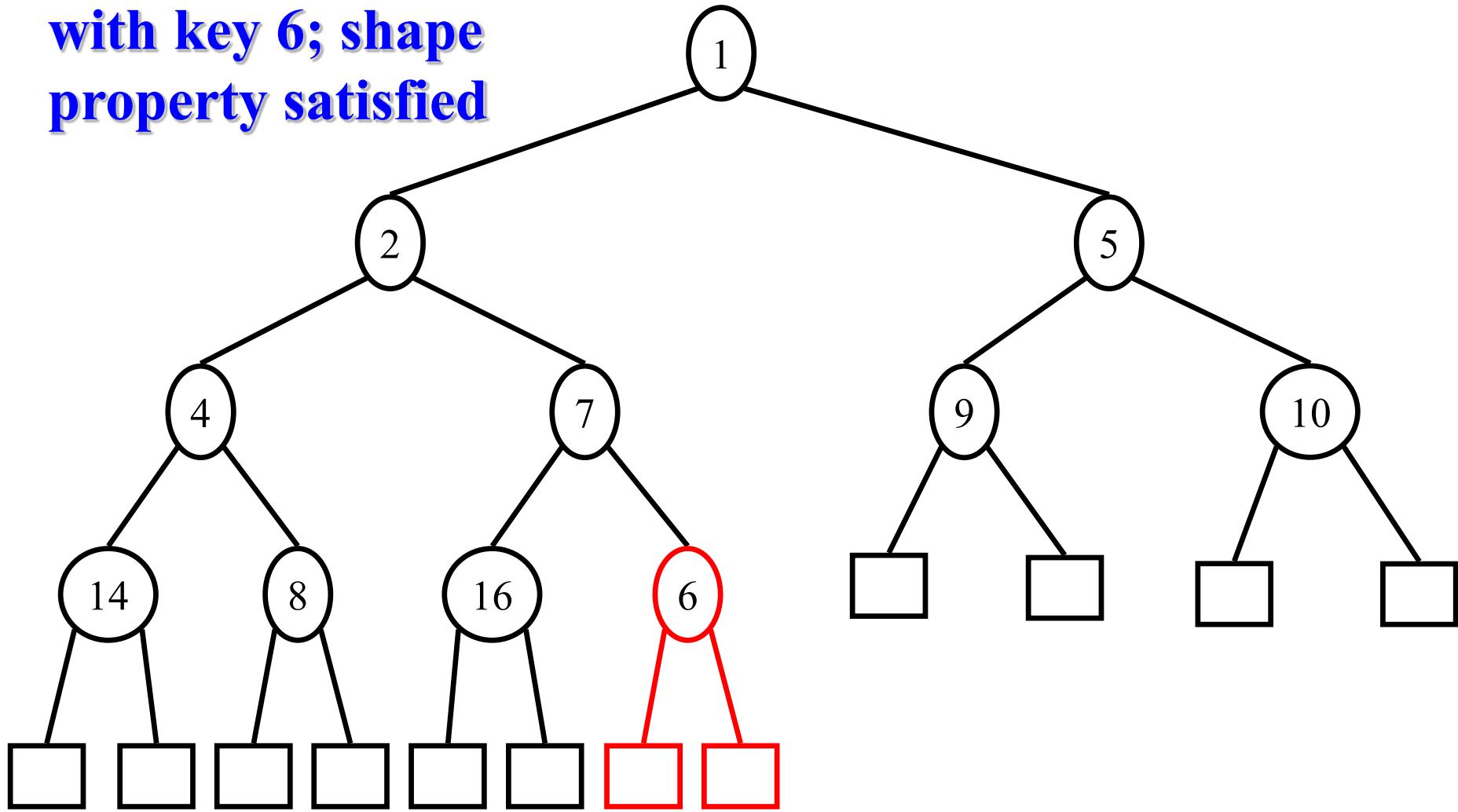


**Insert element
with key 6, i.e.**

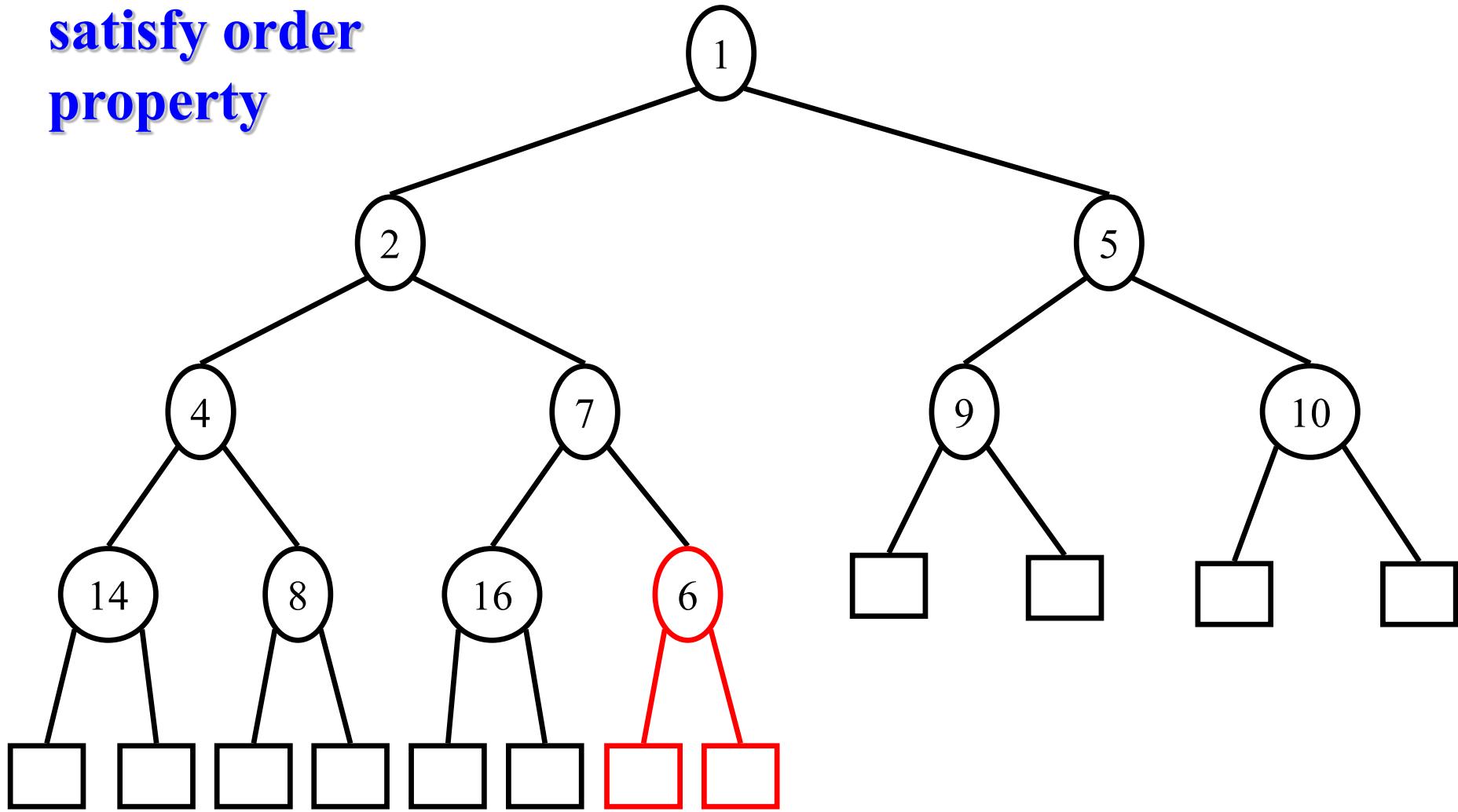
insert(6)



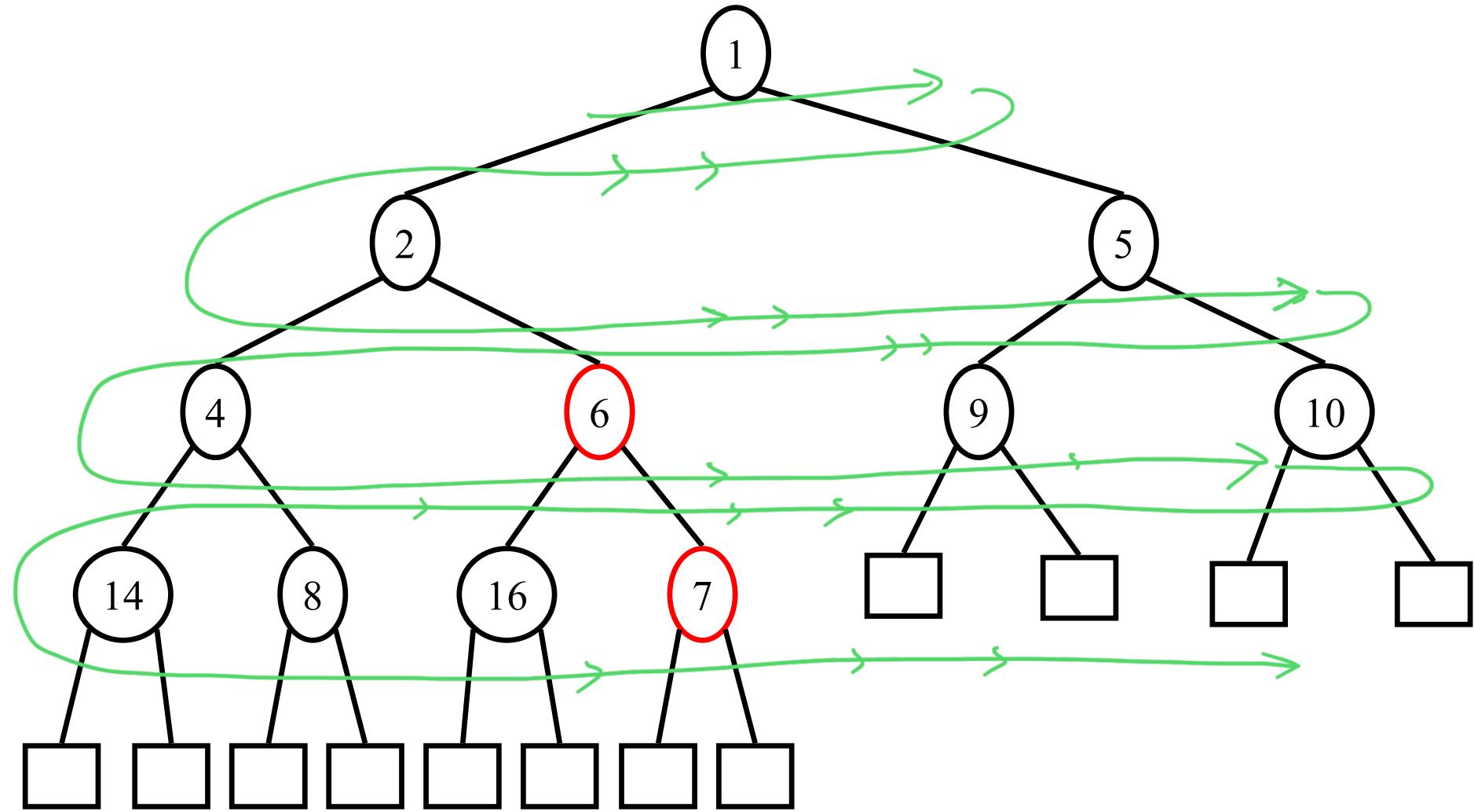
**Insert element
with key 6; shape
property satisfied**



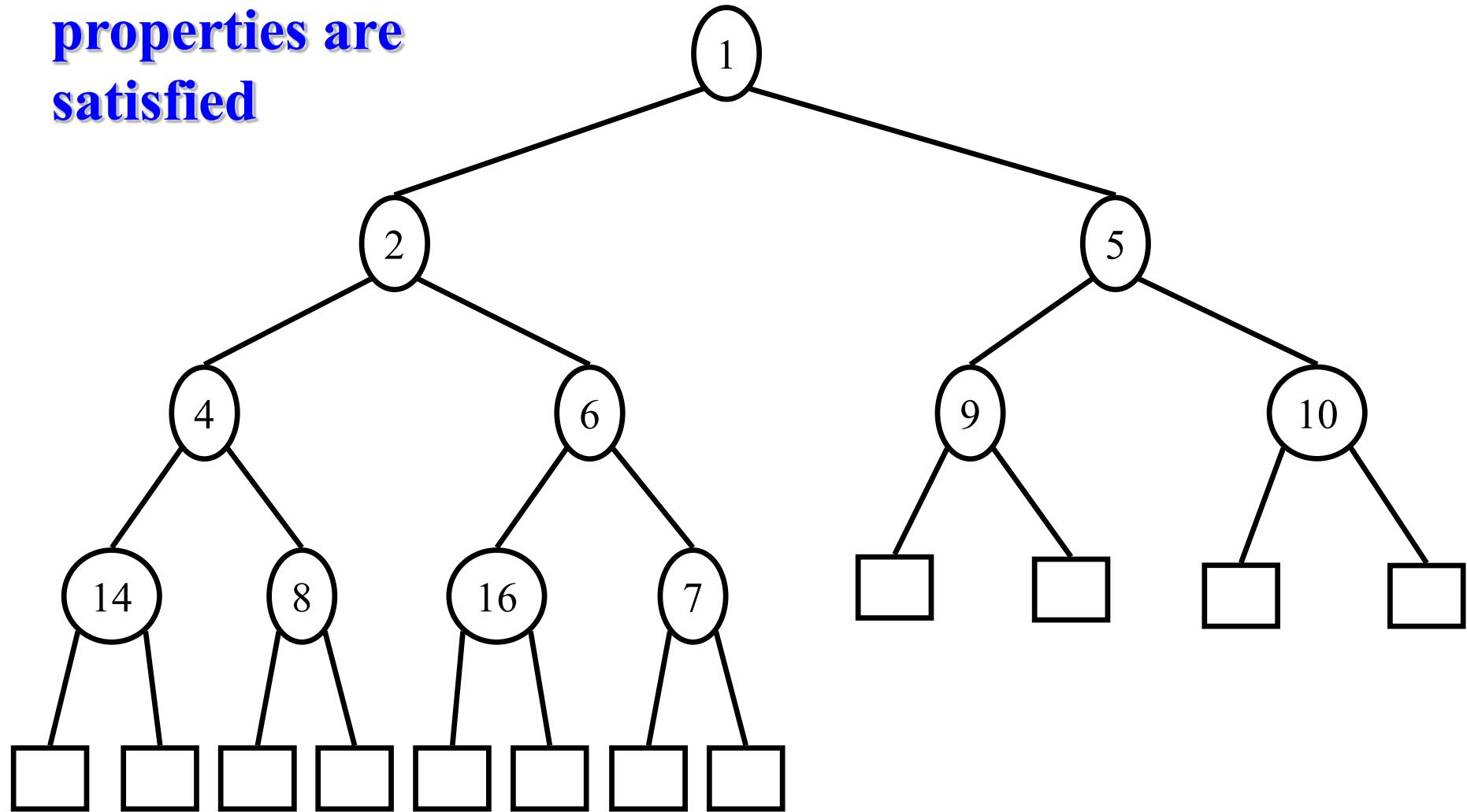
**Bubble up 6 to
satisfy order
property**



Order property satisfied



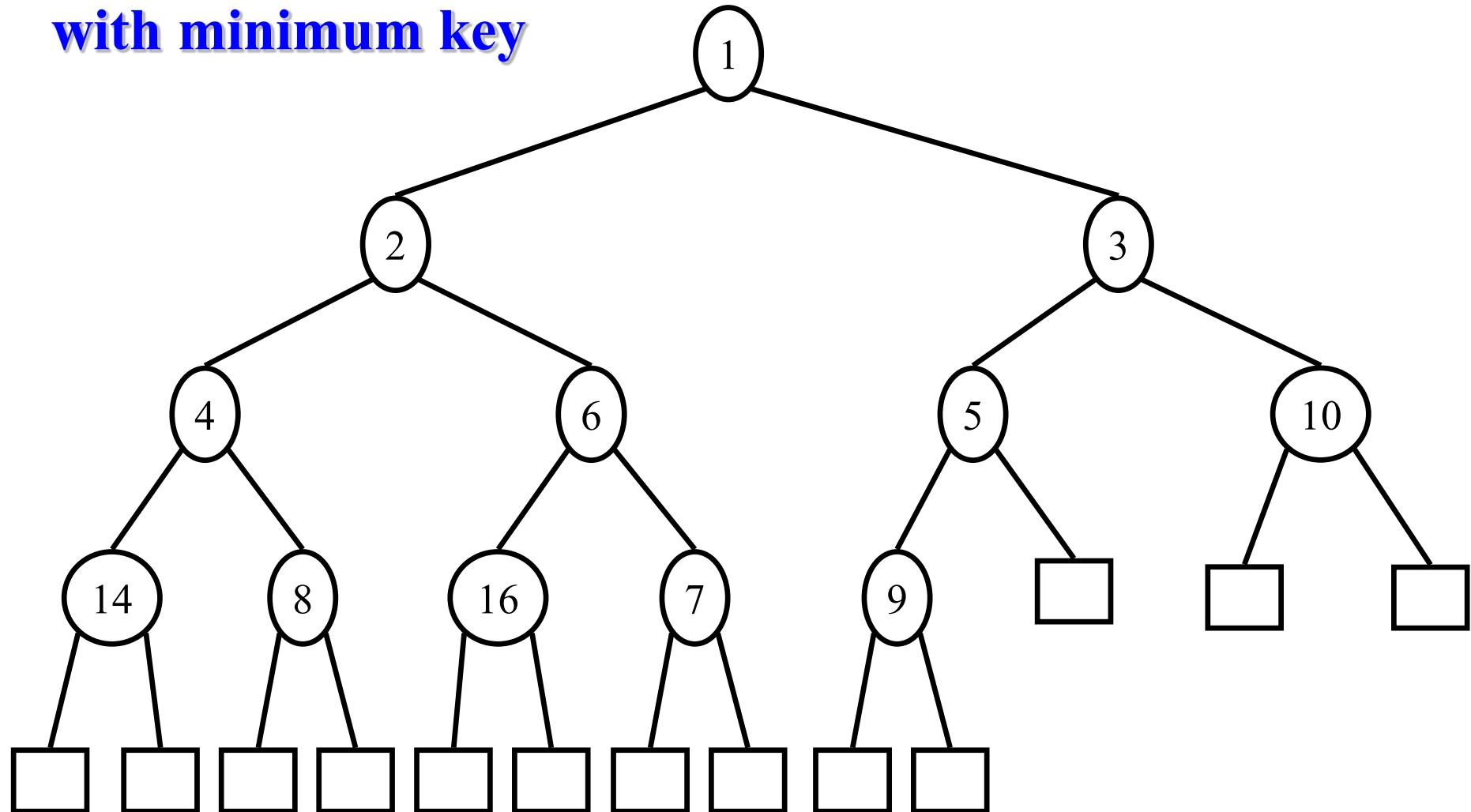
**Shape and order
properties are
satisfied**



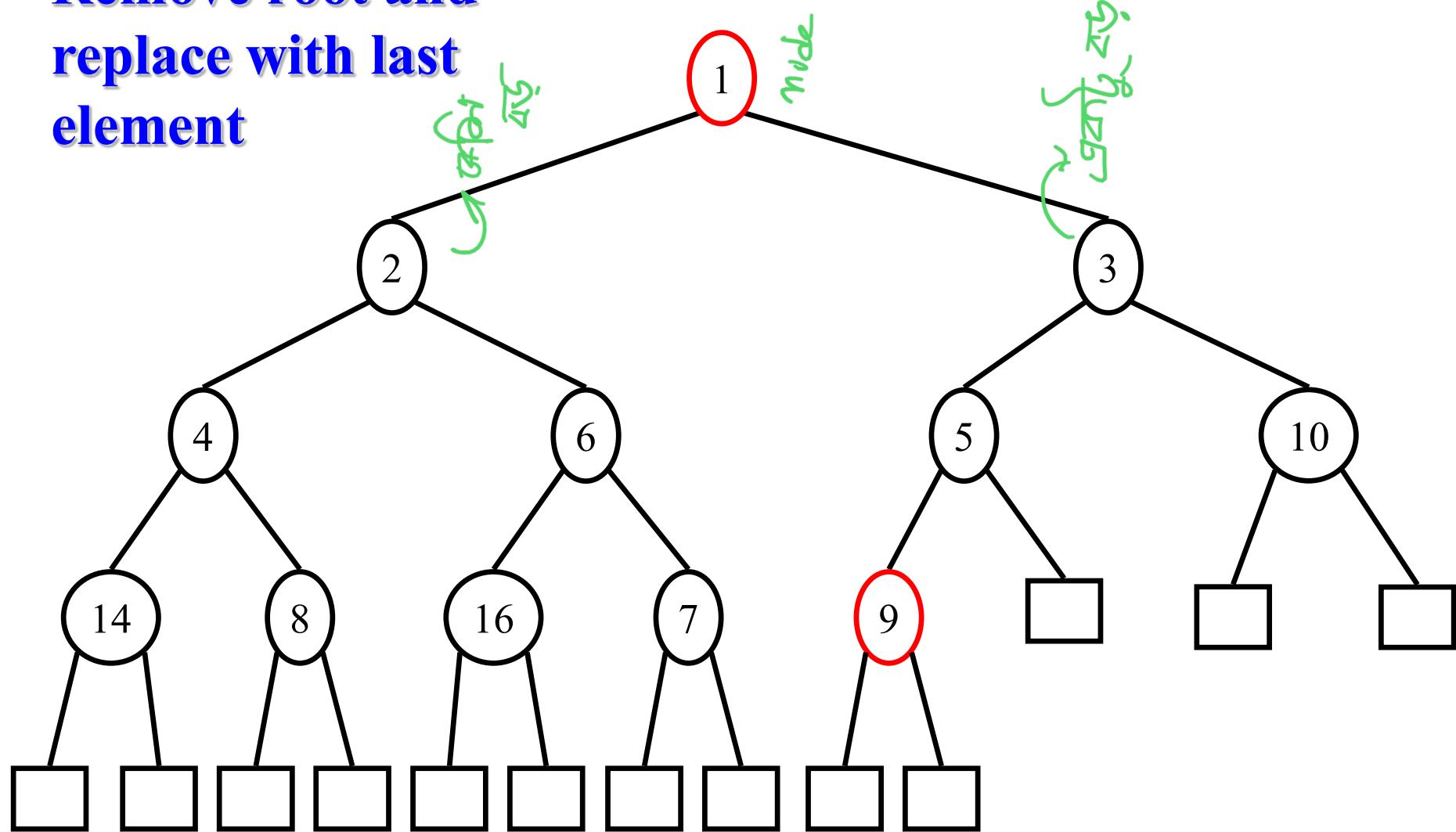
Removing Min Element from a Heap

- Remove root
- Satisfy shape property
 - Move last element to root spot
- Satisfy order property
 - Bubble root element down the tree until order property is restored

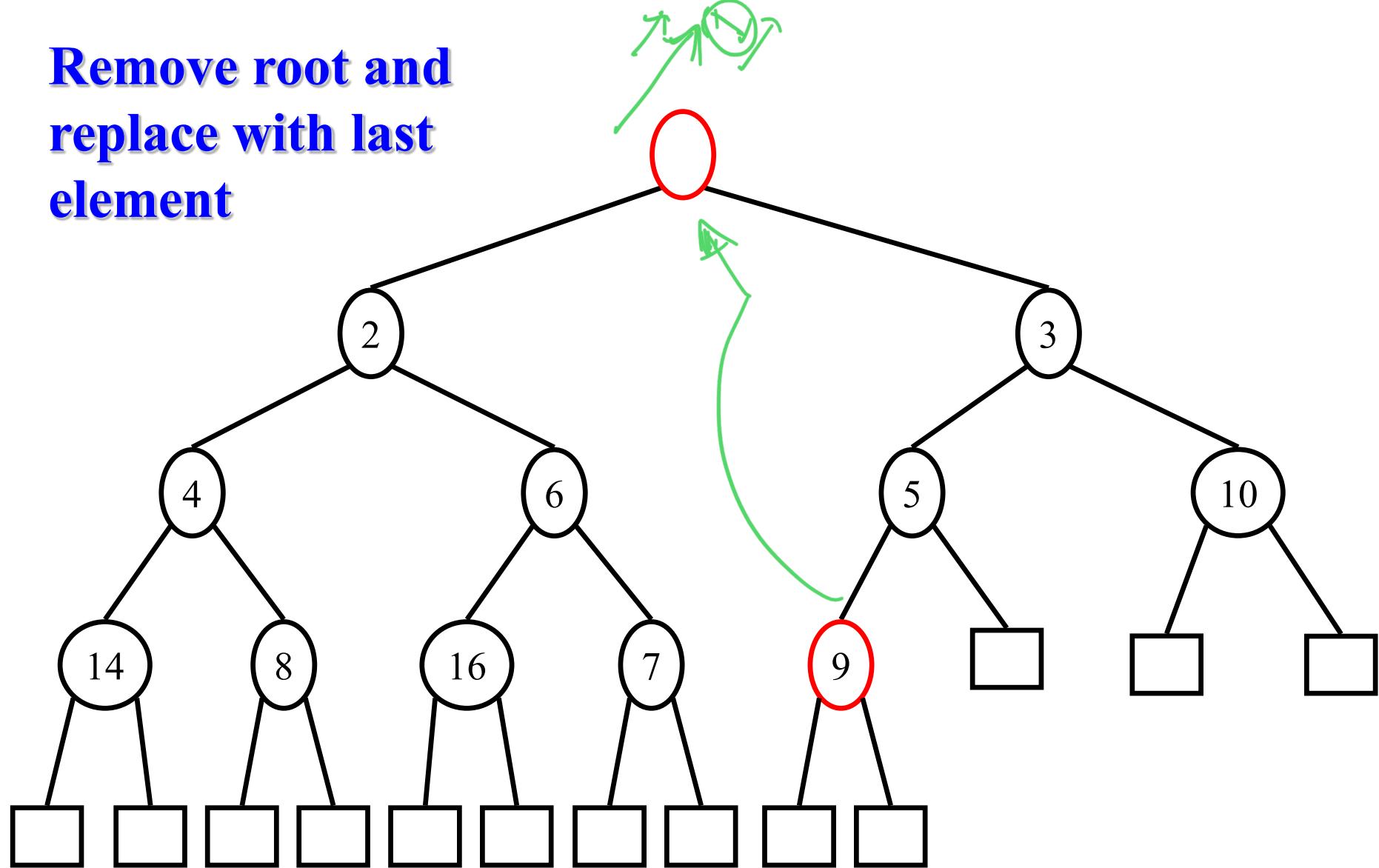
Remove element with minimum key



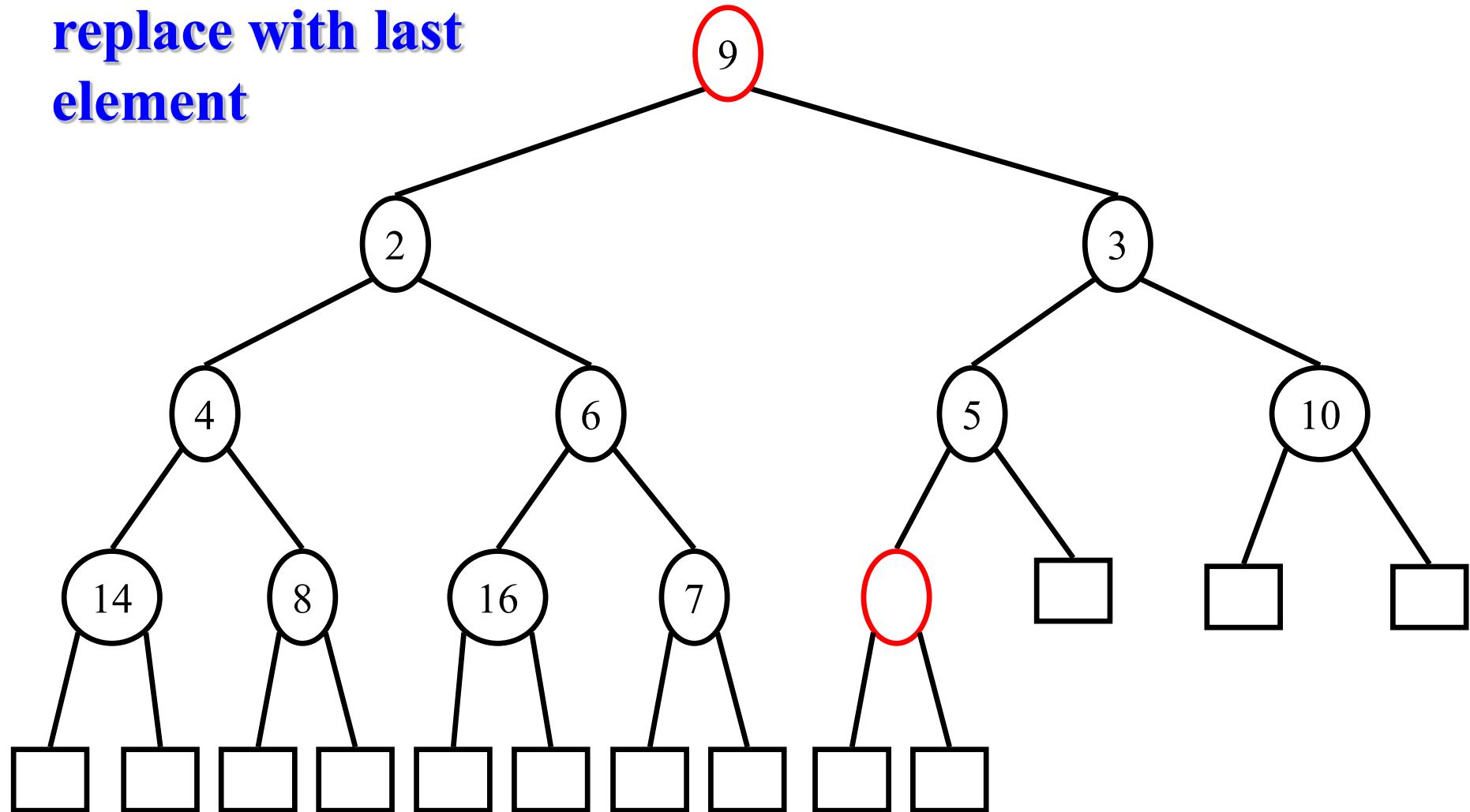
**Remove root and
replace with last
element**



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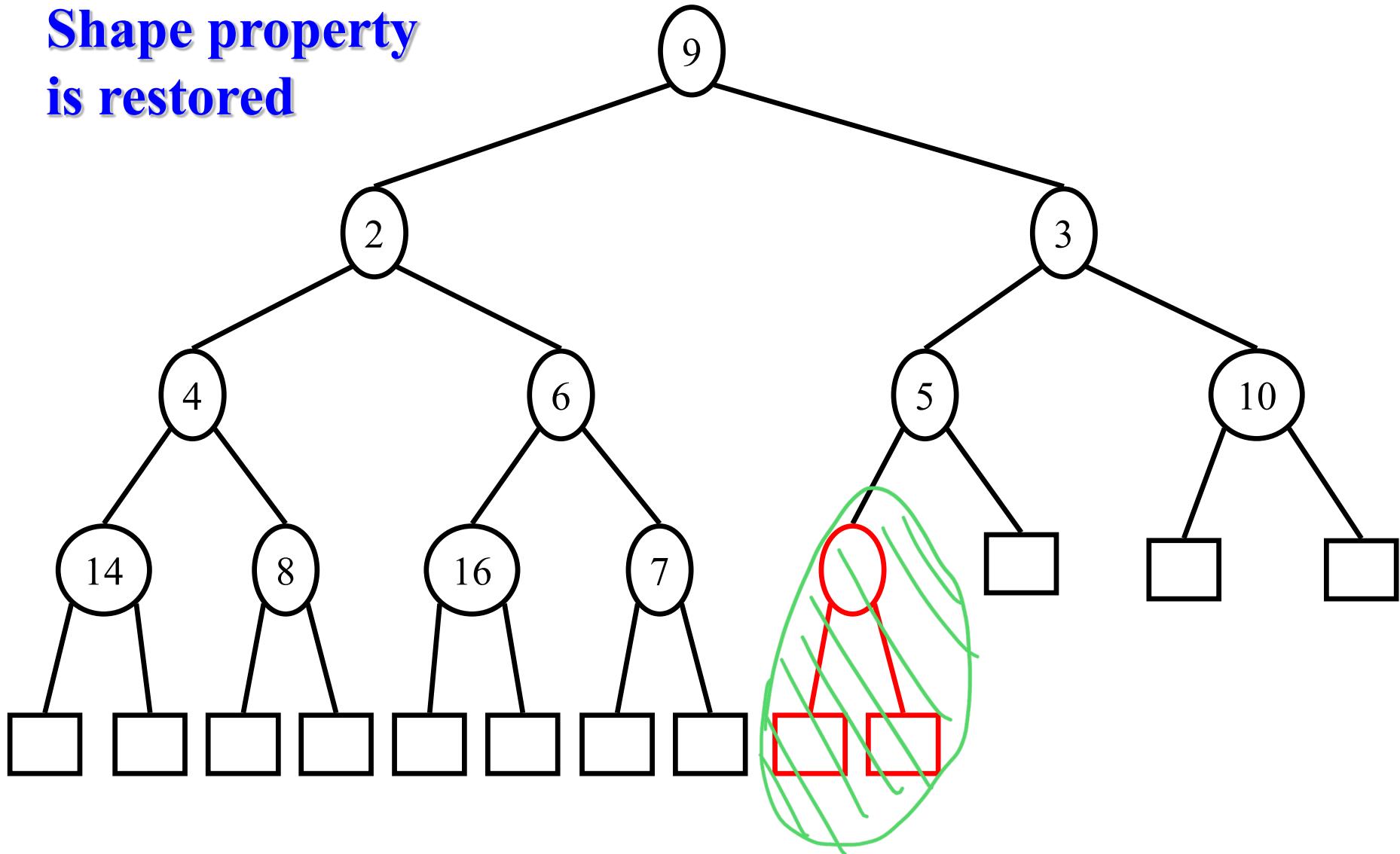
**Remove root and
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Delete last element

Shape property

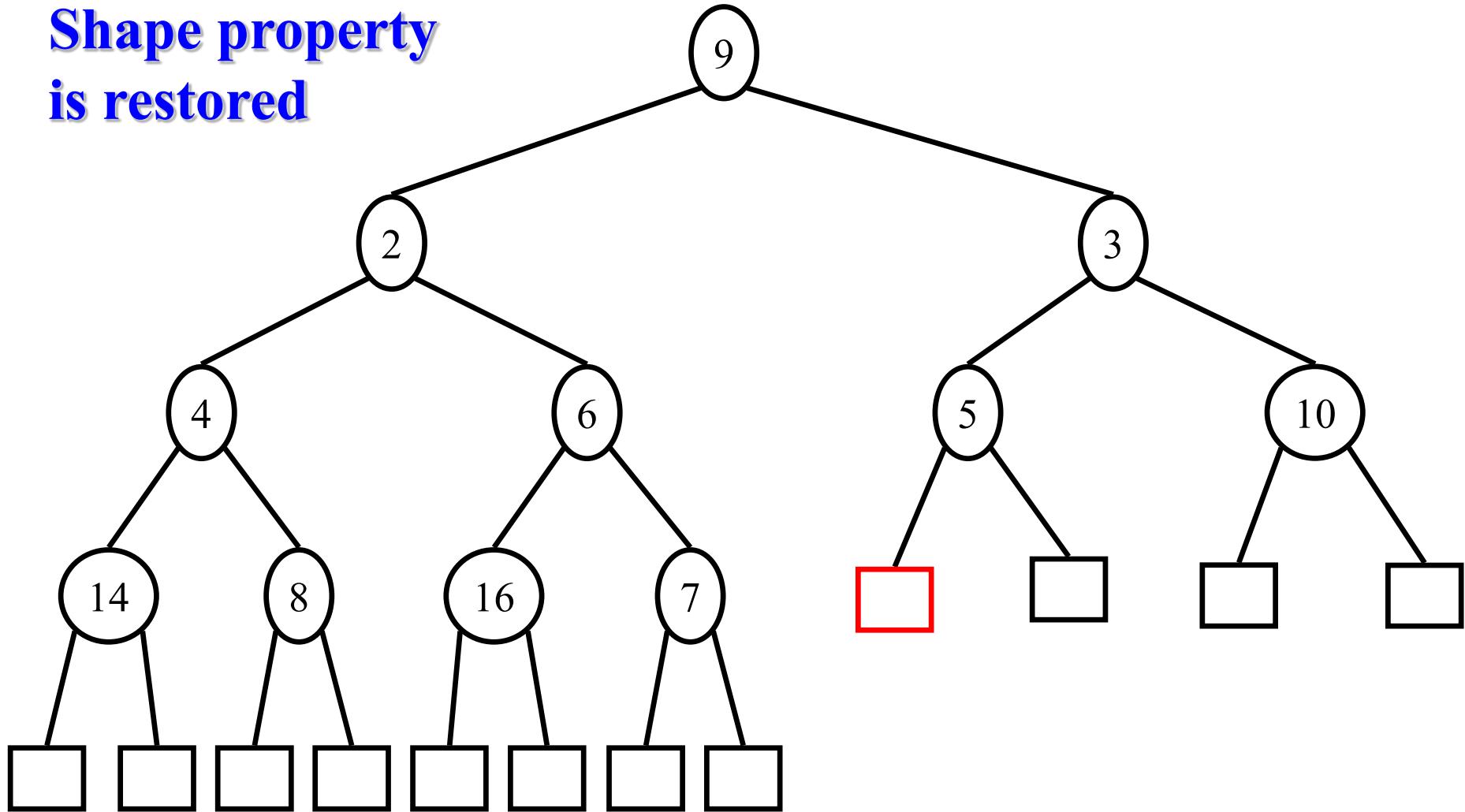
is restored



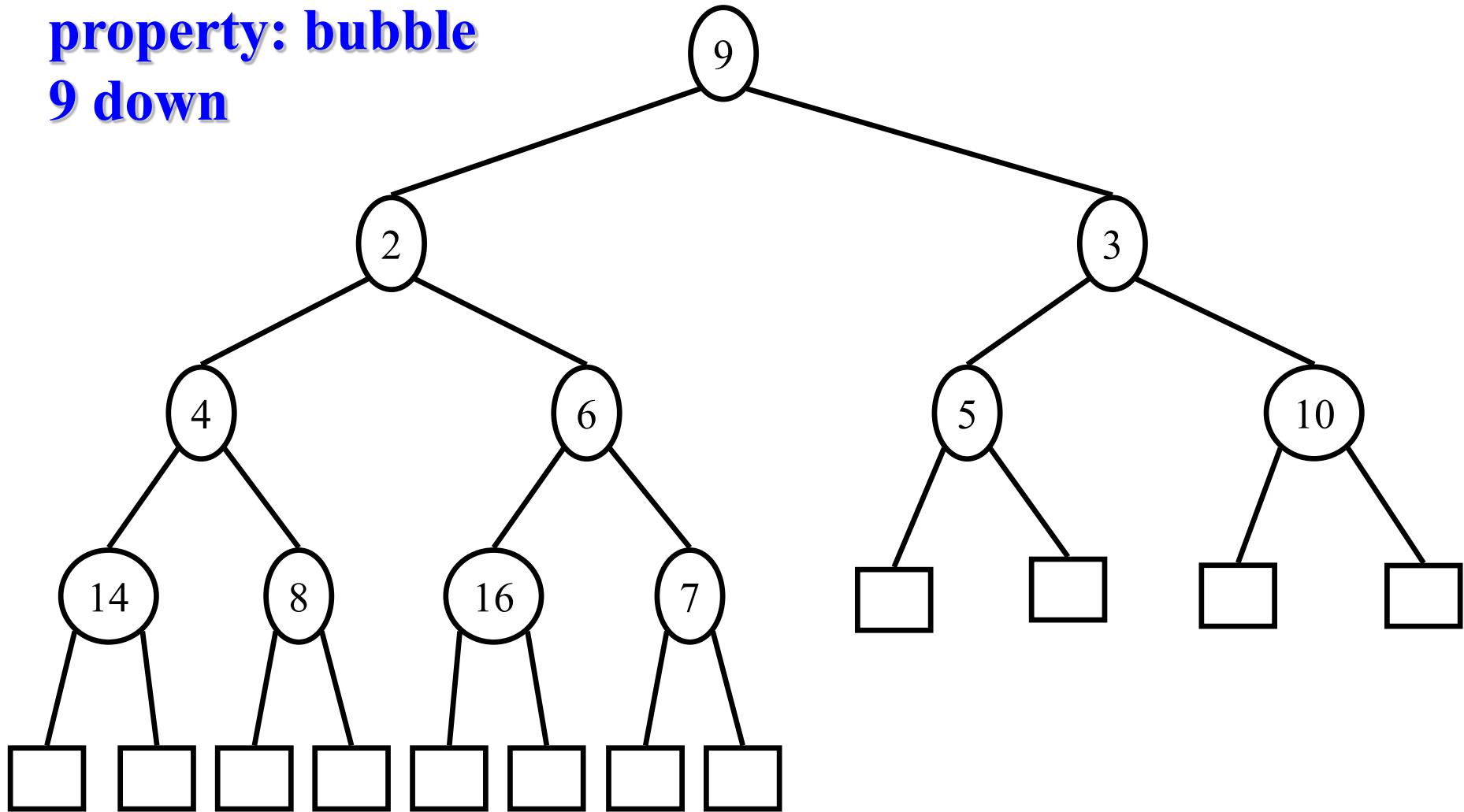
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Shape property

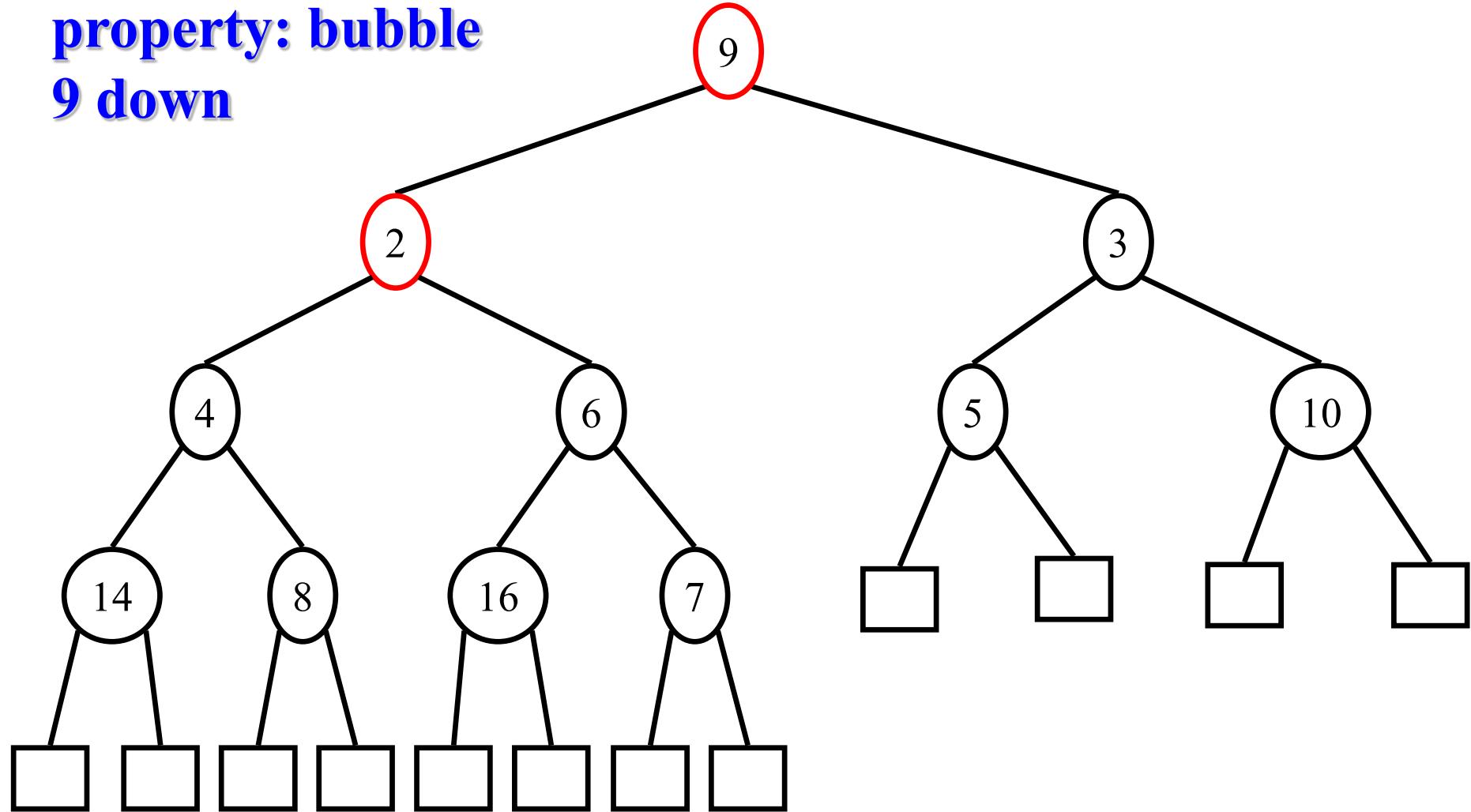
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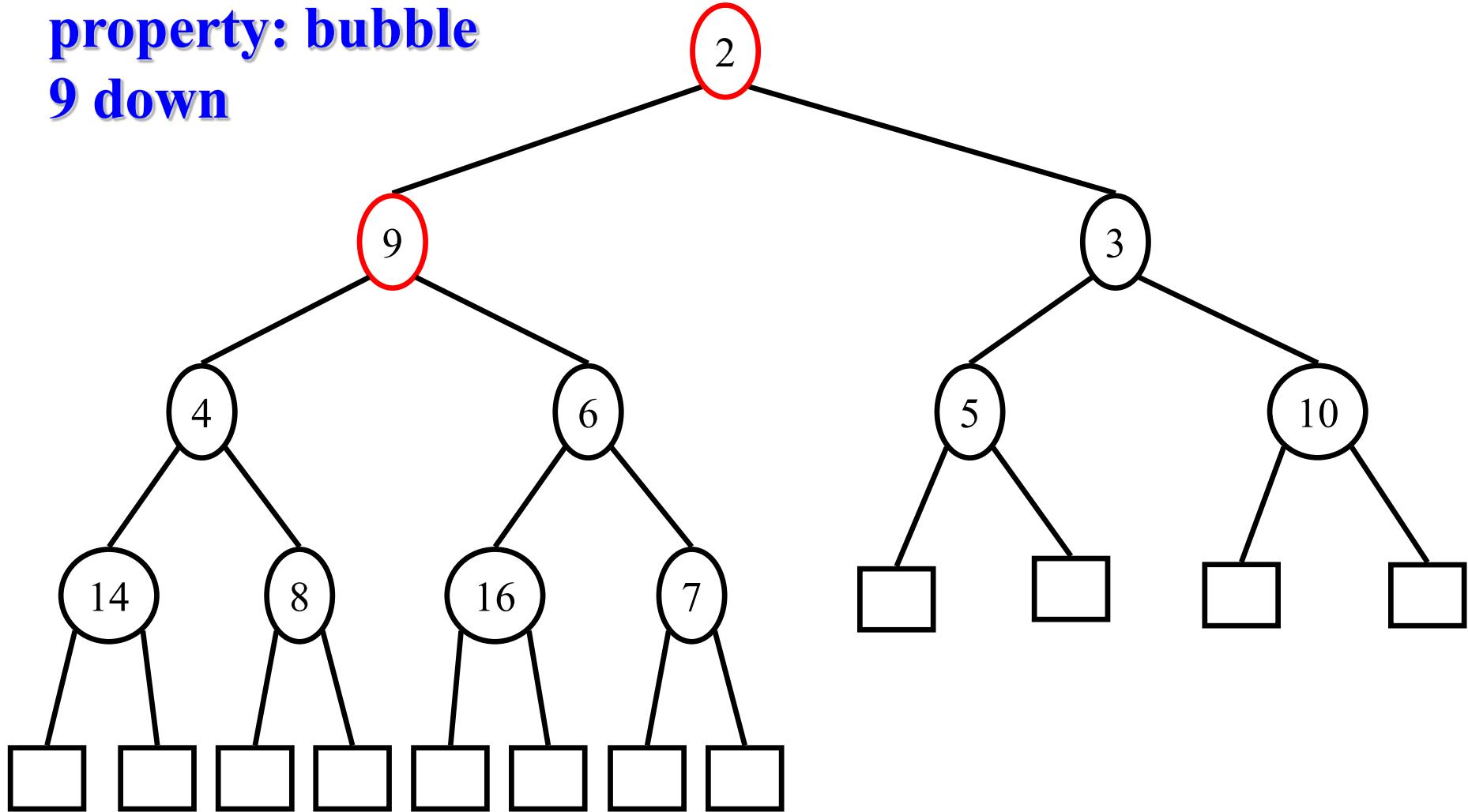
**Reestablish order
property: bubble
9 down**



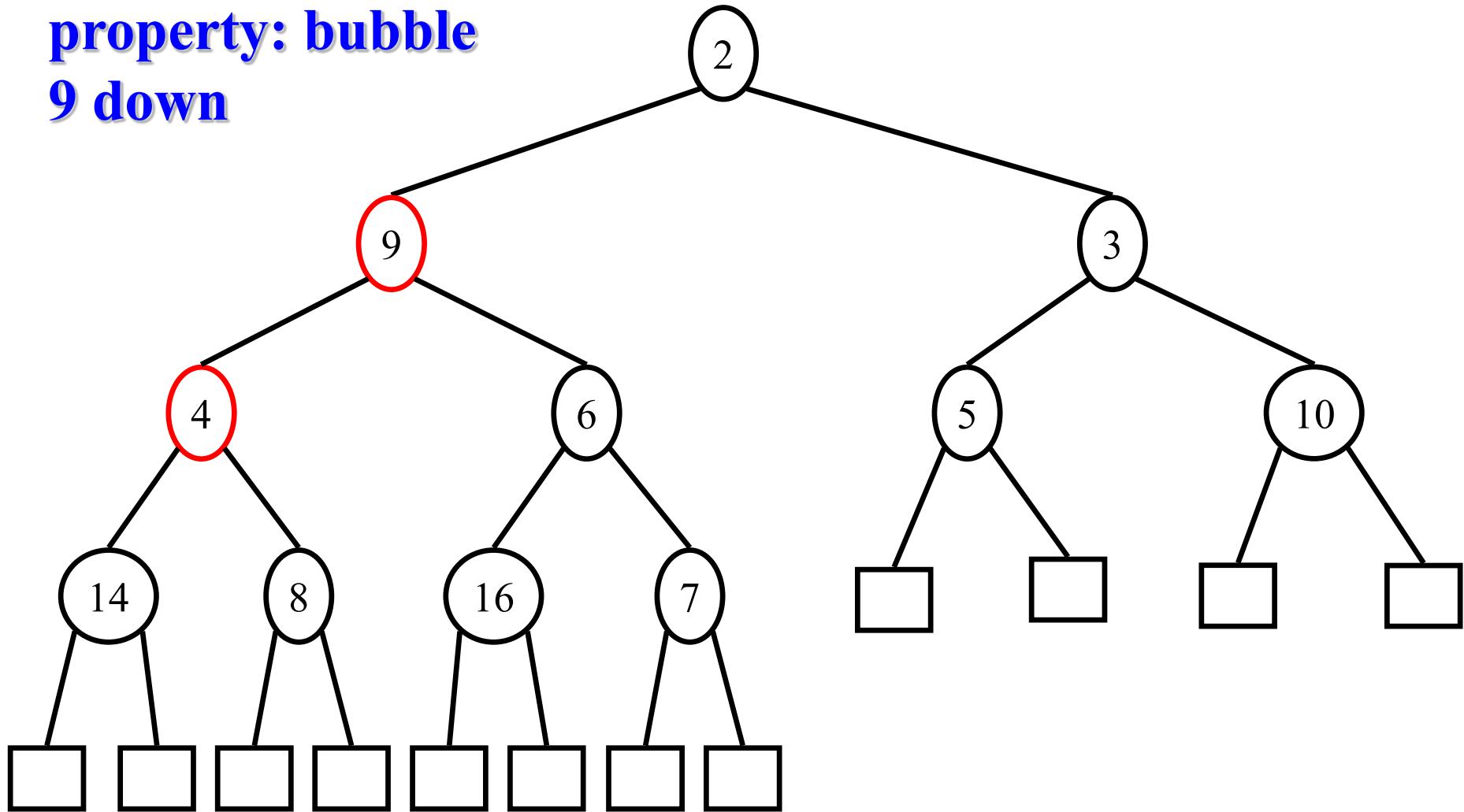
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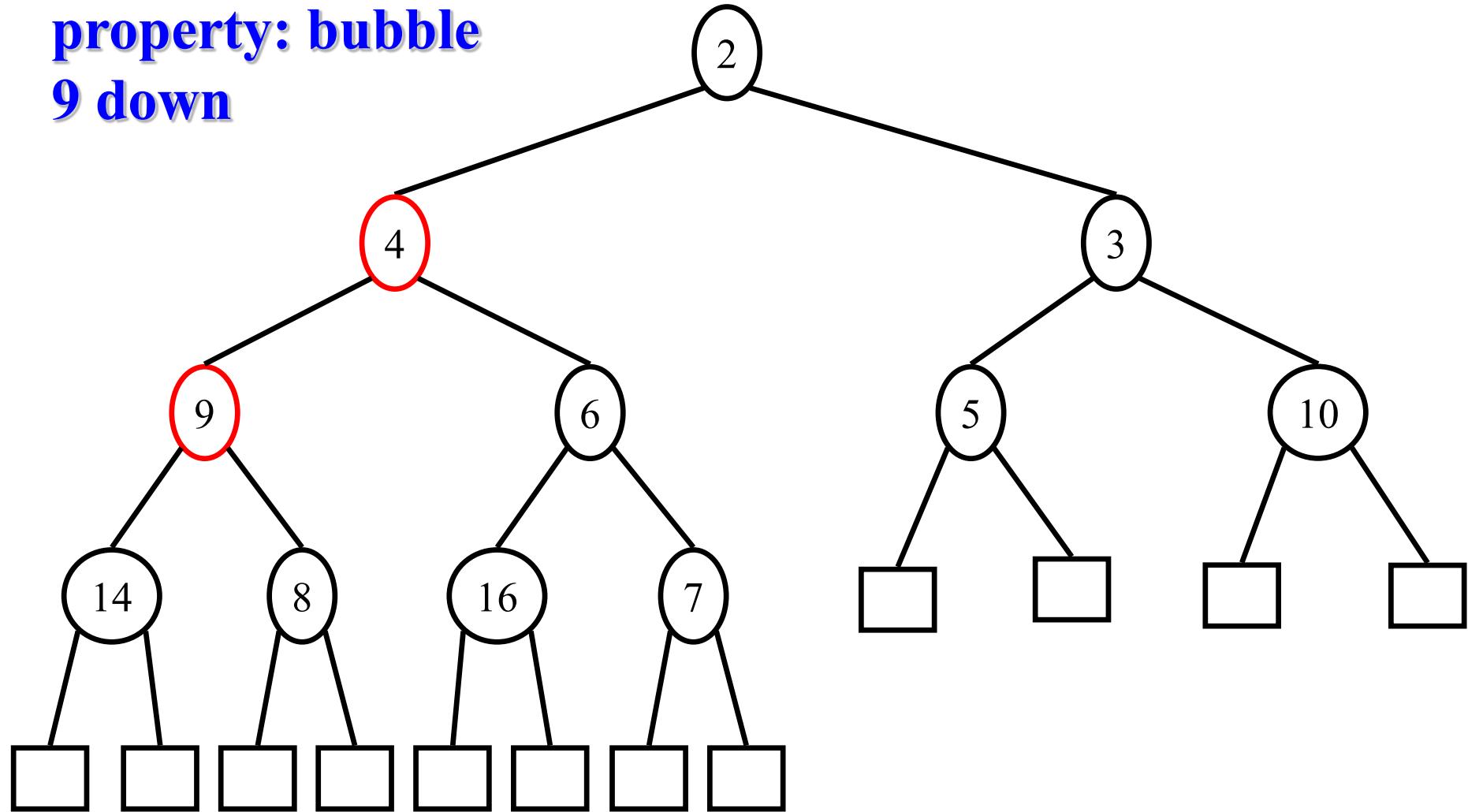
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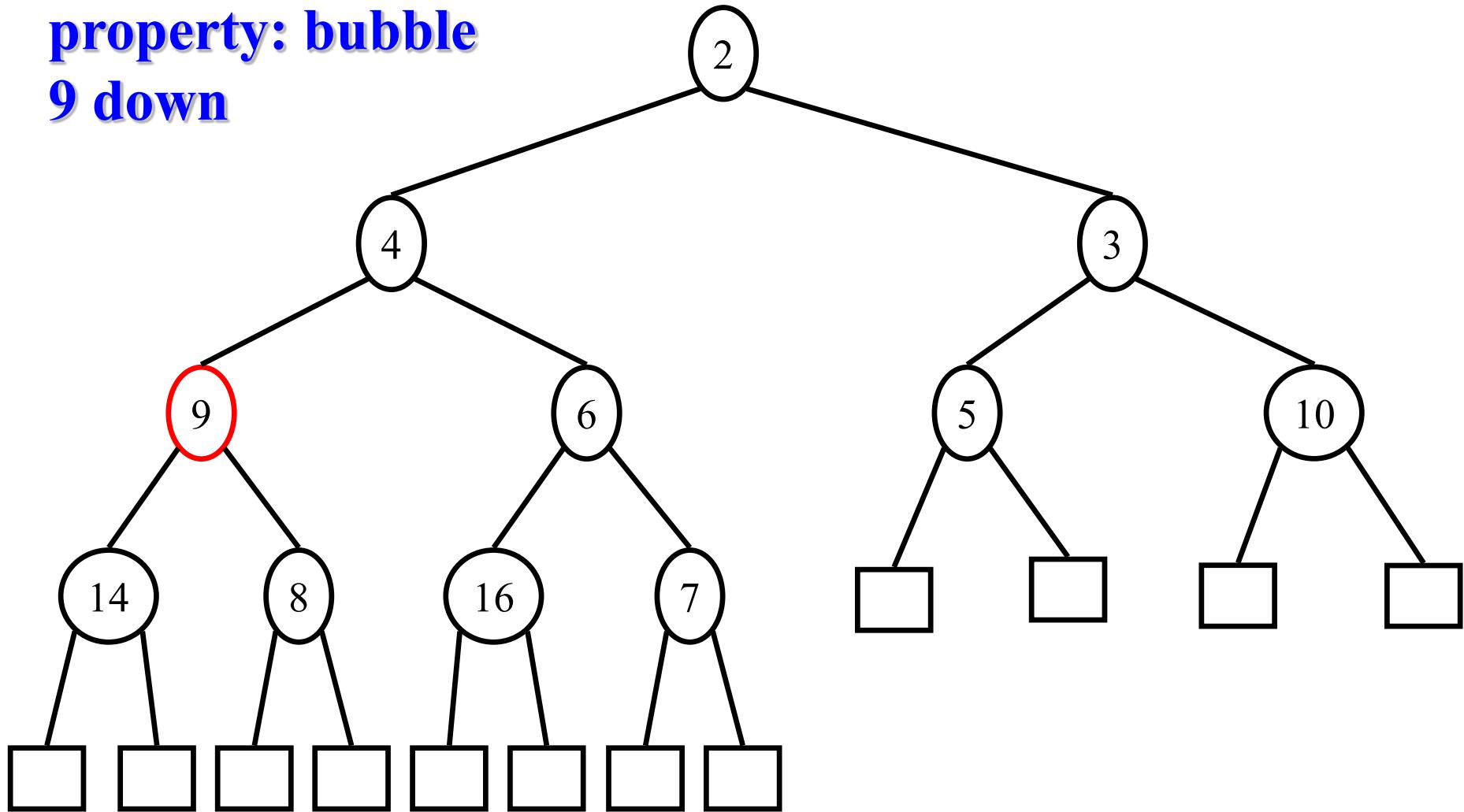
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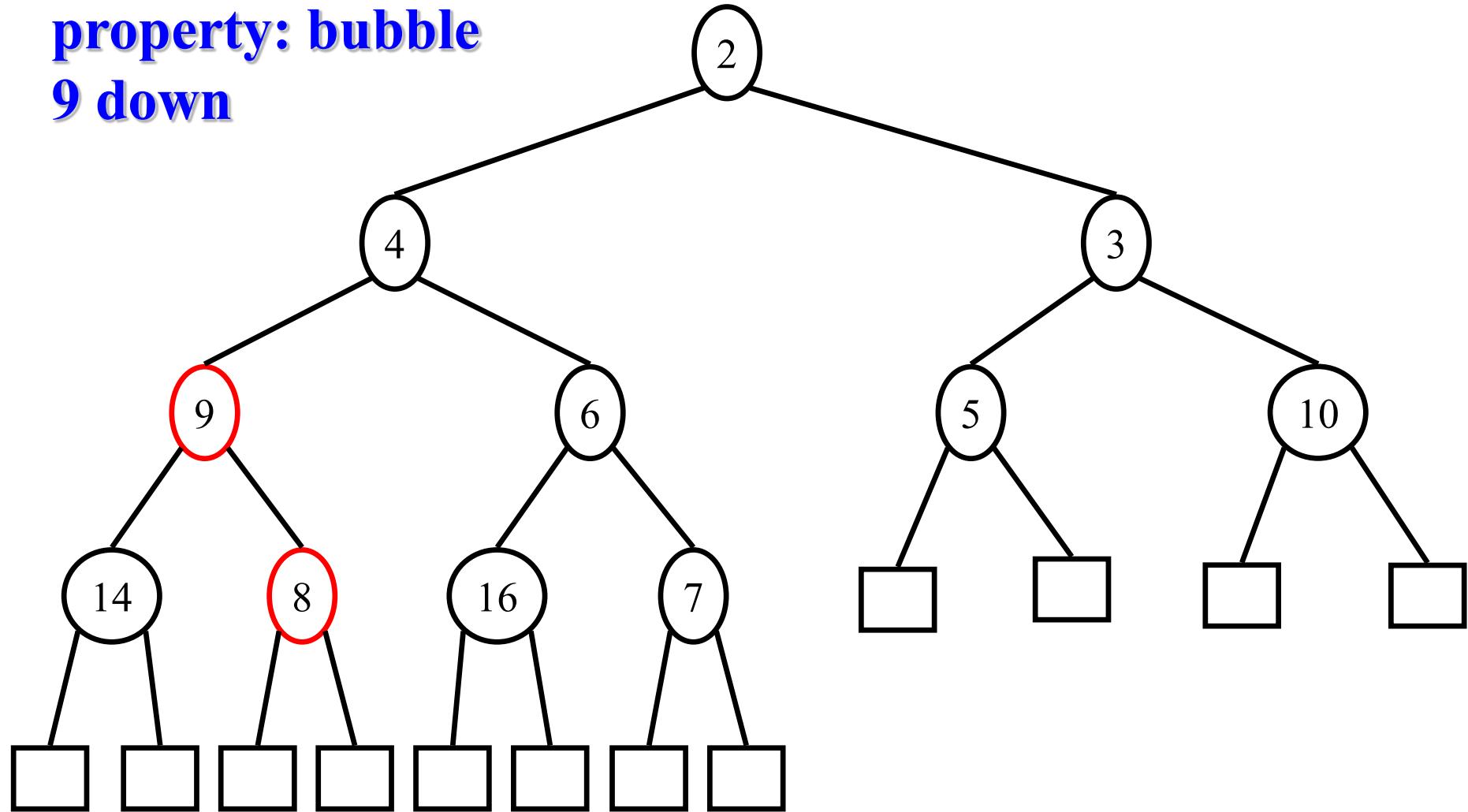
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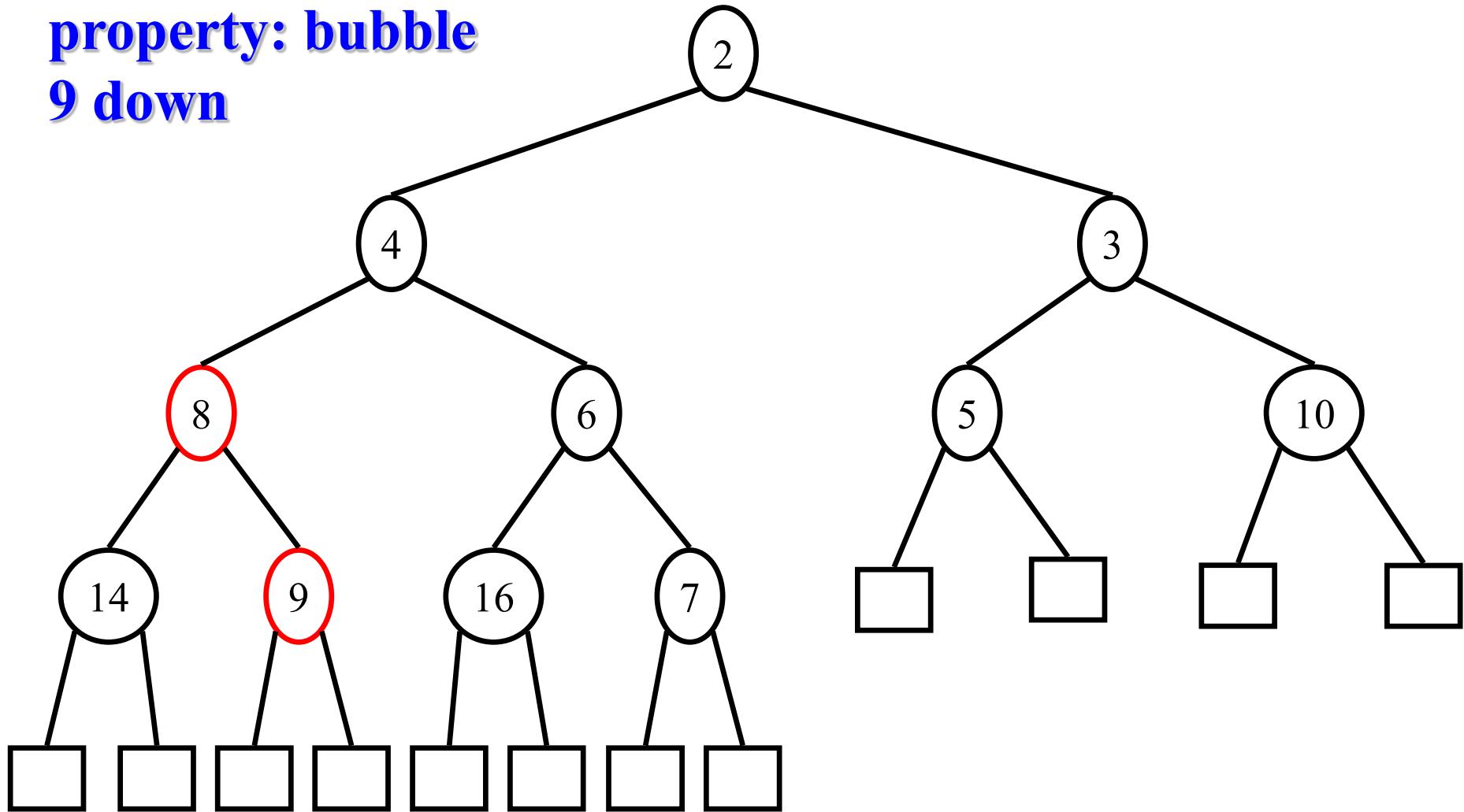
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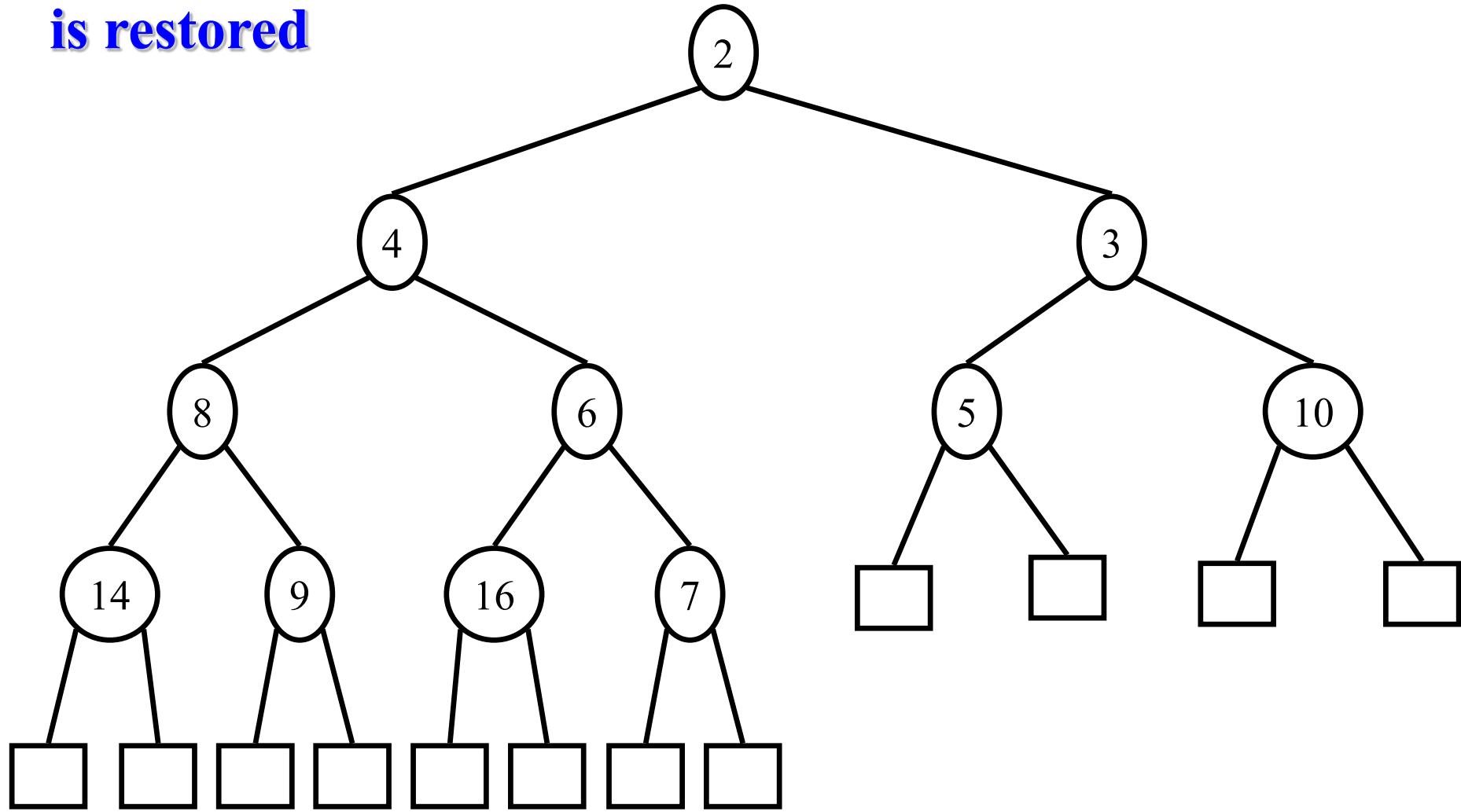
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Order property is restored



Time Complexity of Heap Operations

- **Theorem**
 - The height of a balanced binary tree is $O(\log n)$ (i.e., $\log_2 n$)
- **Theorem**
 - The running times of the **Bubble up** and **Bubble down** operations in a Heap data structure are $O(\log n)$
- **Theorem**
 - The running times of the **insert** and **removeMin** operations in a Heap data structure are $O(\log n)$

Heapsort

1. Insert all elements from a given sequence S into a Priority Queue implemented as a Heap
2. Remove minimum element and insert element into S
3. Repeat Step 2 until every element is inserted back in S

Building up a heap

- Both loops are executed n times
- S indexing takes $O(1)$ time
- $P.\text{removeMin}()$ and $P.\text{insert}()$ take $O(\log n)$
- Thus, each loop takes $O(n \log n)$ time
- **Theorem**
 - The worst-case time complexity of Heapsort is $O(n \log n)$

Algorithm *Heapsort*(S, P)

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Output: Array S sorted in increasing order

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Heap Encoding

Parent of $A[k]$ is at $A[k/2]$

Left child of $A[k]$ is at $A[2k]$

Right child of $A[k]$ is at $A[2k+1]$

Parent of $A[6]$ is at $A[3]$

Left child of $A[4]$ is at $A[8]$

Right child of $A[4]$ is at $A[9]$

