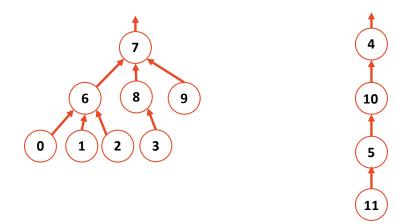
Disjoint Sets – Smart Union



Union by height

6	6	6	8	-4	10	7	-3	7	7	4	5
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11

Idea: Keep the height of the tree as small as possible.

Union by size

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
6	6	6	8	-4	10	7	-8	7	7	4	5

Idea: Minimize the number of nodes that increase in height

Both guarantee the height of the tree is: