Priority Queues - Binary Heap

Priority of airline passengers

First Class
(highest priority)

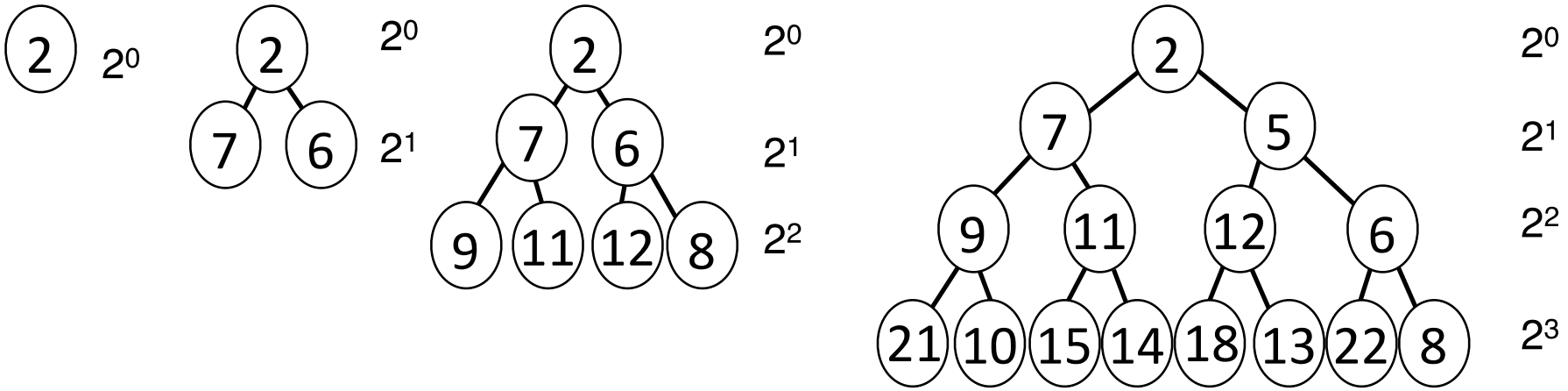
Business Class
(medium priority)

Economy Class
(lowest priority)

Priority of patients

Full Binary Tree

A binary tree is **full** if all its leaves are on the same level.
The number of nodes in level *k* of a full binary tree is 2^k

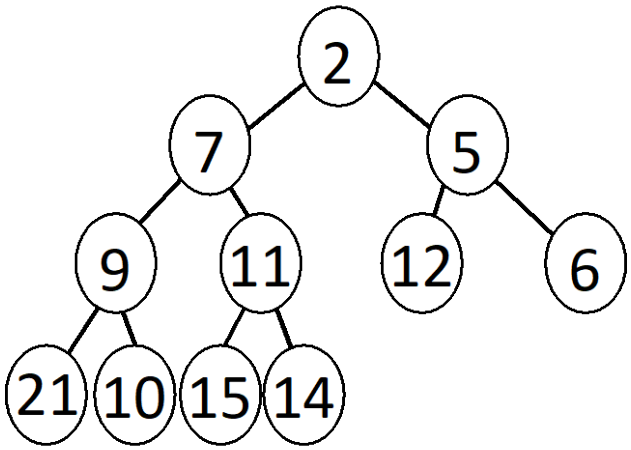


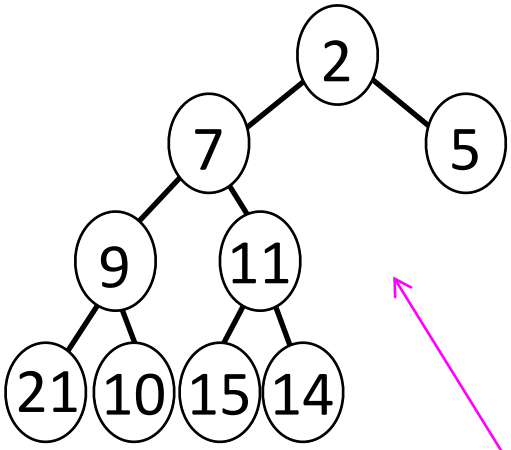
QUESTION:

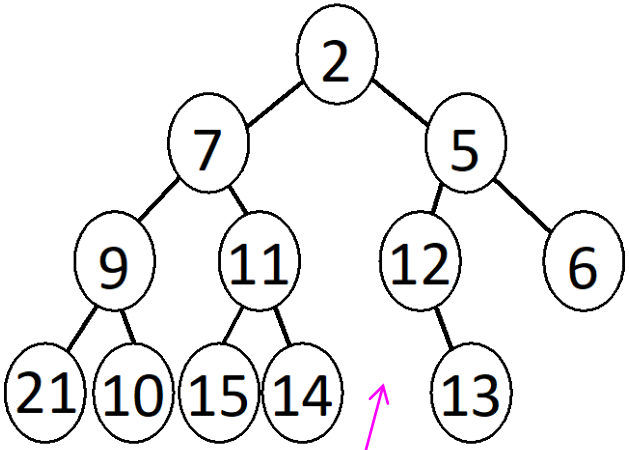
How many nodes does a full binary tree of height *h* have? $2^{h+1} - 1$

Complete Binary Tree

A **complete** binary tree has all levels full except the last one.
The last level is filled from the left.





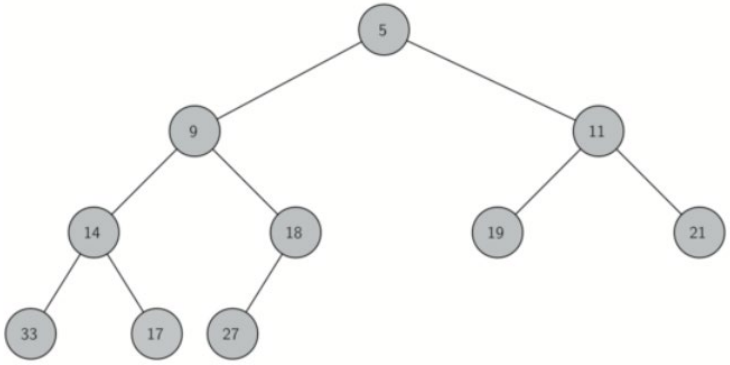


Complete

Not complete

Binary heap

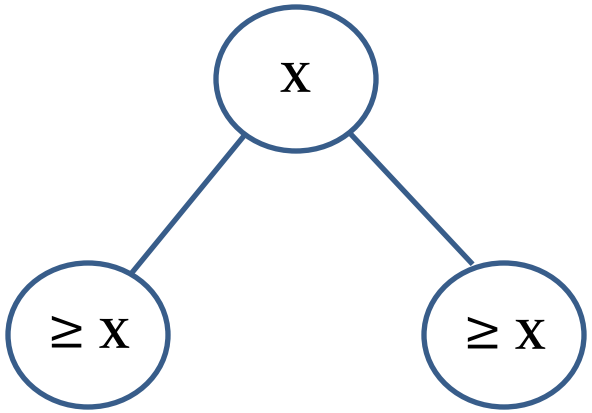
- The classic way to implement a priority queue is with a **binary heap**
- A binary heap has two special properties:



a *complete* binary tree

Each level has all possible nodes, except for the bottom level which is filled from left to right

shape property



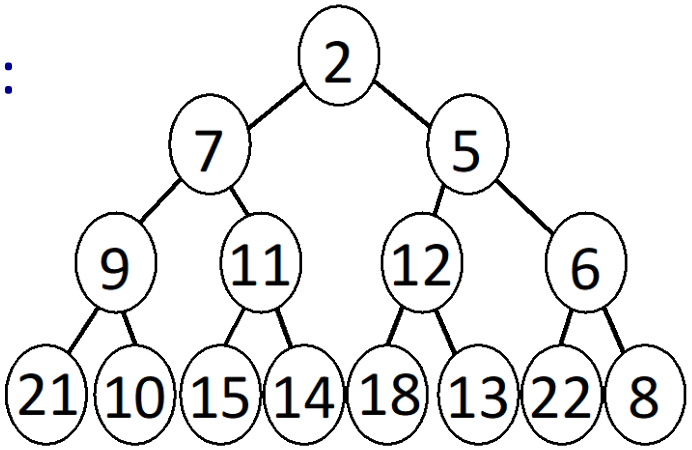
a **partial** ordering over nodes

the key at every parent node is less than or equal to **both** of its children

order property

Binary Heap – Stored in List

A complete binary tree is efficiently stored using a list:



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2	7	5	9	11	12	6	21	10	15	14	18	13	22	8

For convenience we are going to leave the first element blank and store the root element in position 1:

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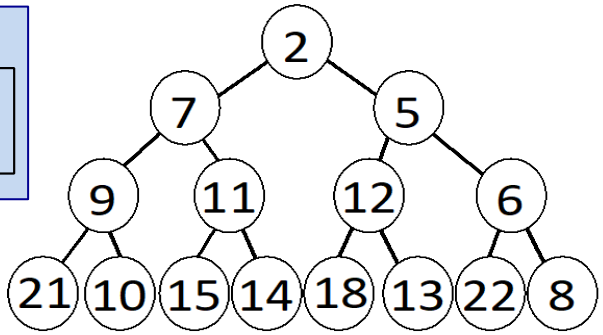

QUESTIONS

What indices are the children of node at index 6 in the list?
What indices are the children of node at index i in the list?
What is the index of the parent of the node at index 6?

Children of node L[i] are L[2i] and L[2i+1]
Parent of node L[i] is L[i // 2]

Heap operations

- Let's look at the important heap operations (**insert** and **delete_minimum**) in the context of the following heap

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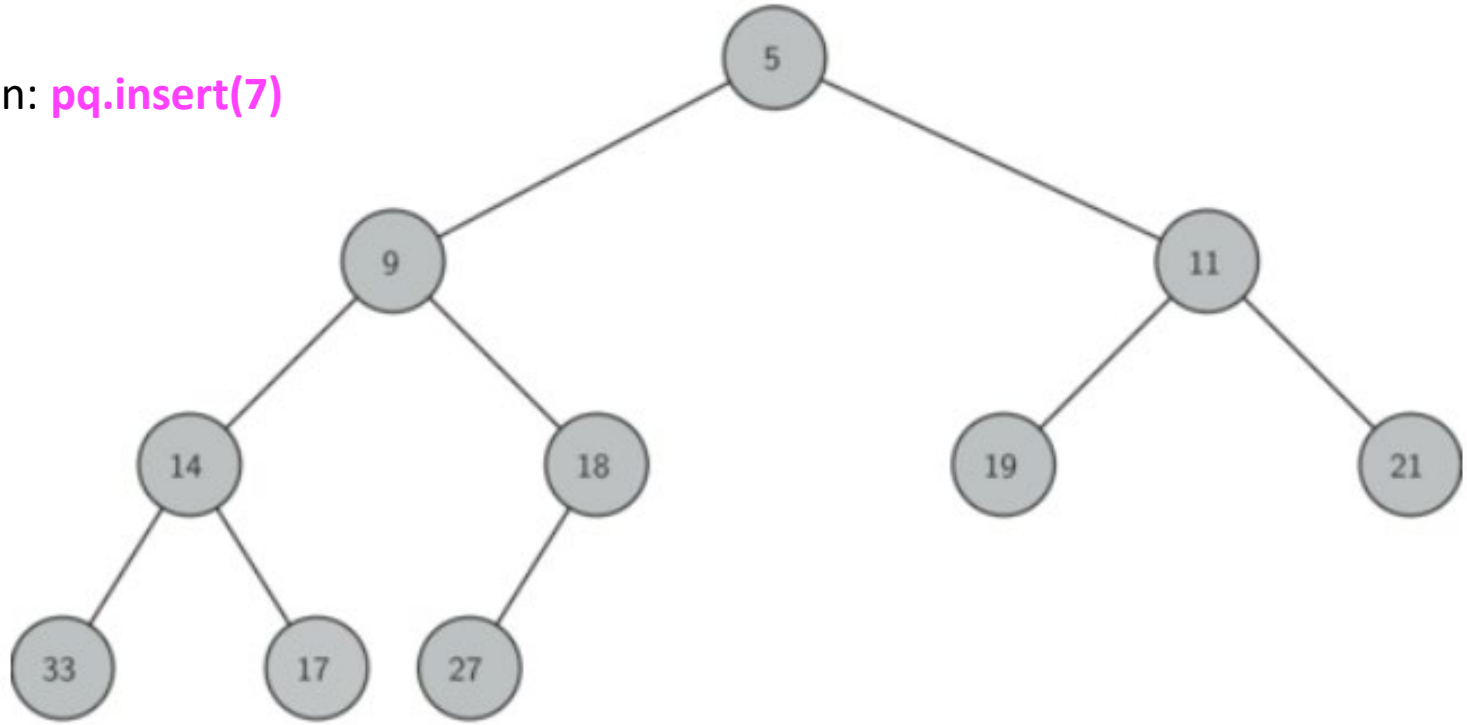

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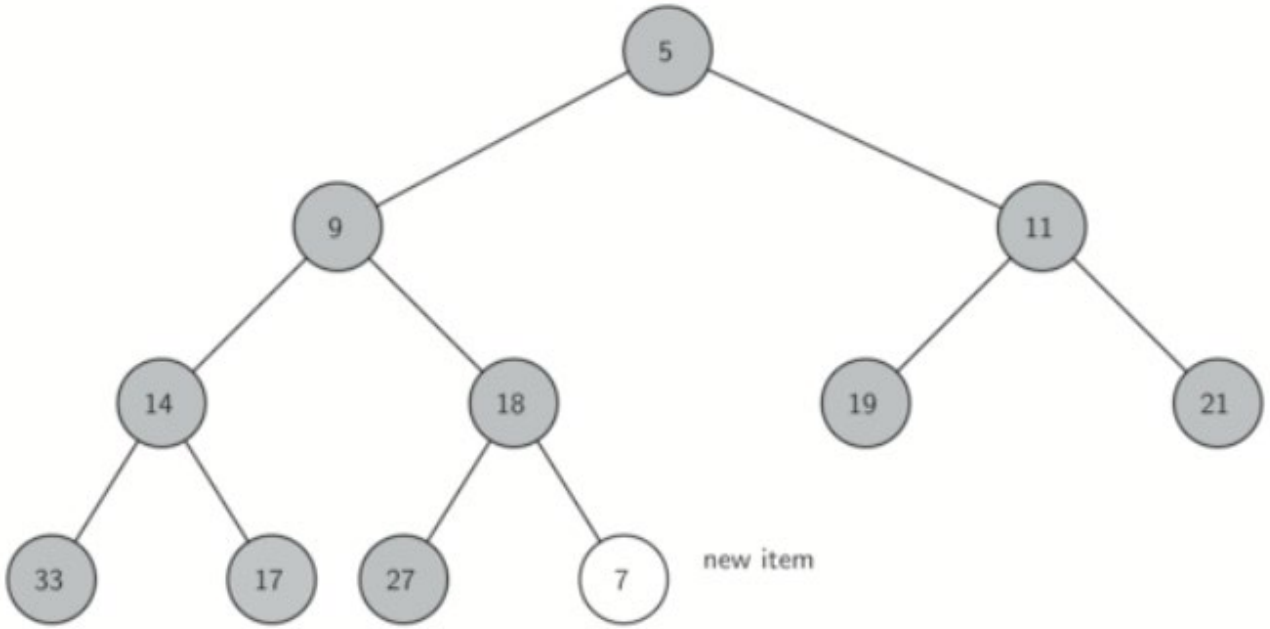


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self.__binary_heap.append(7)
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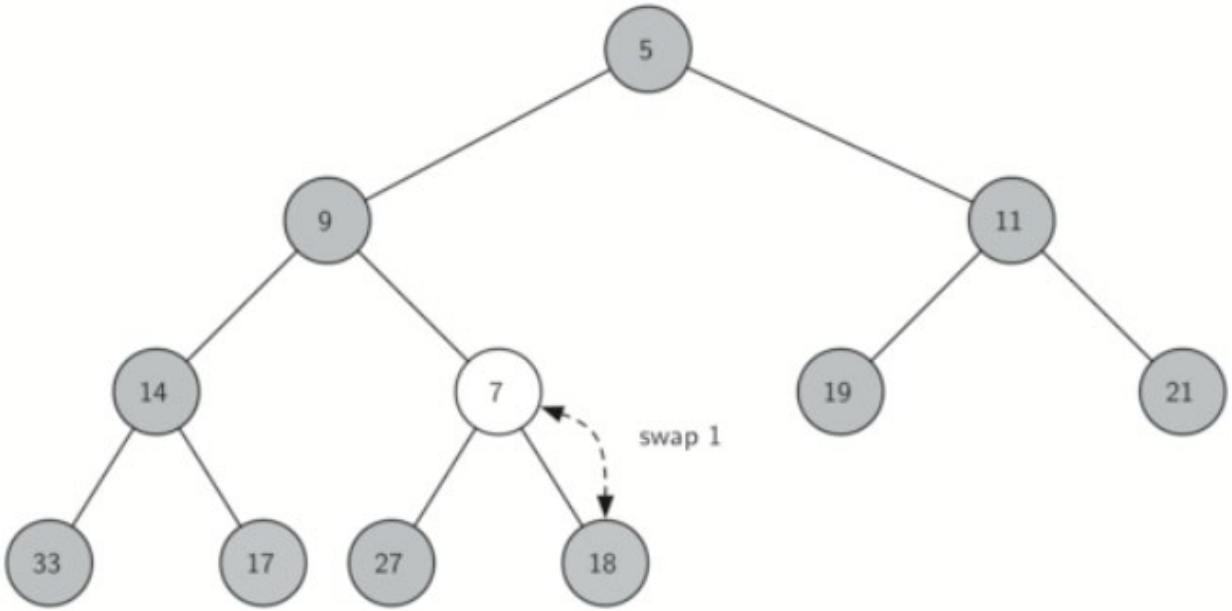

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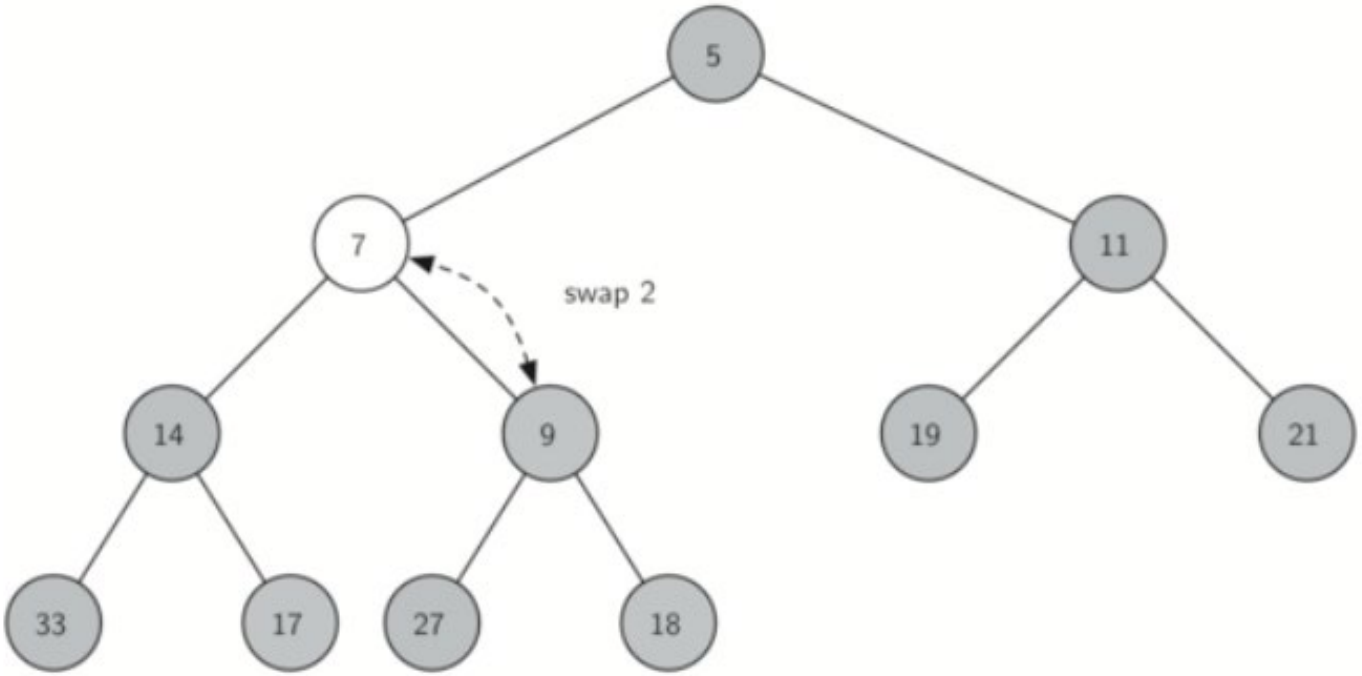

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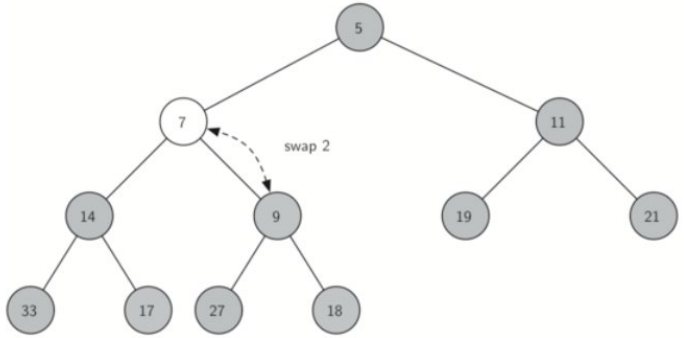


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def percolate_up(self,i):
  while i // 2 > 0:
    if self.__binary_heap[i] < self.__binary_heap[i // 2]:
      swap self.__binary_heap[i//2] and self.__binary_heap[i]
    i = i // 2

def insert(self,k):
  self__binary_heap.append(k)
  self.__size = self.__size + 1
  self.percolate_up(self.__size)
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- Deletion : **pq.delete_minimum ()**

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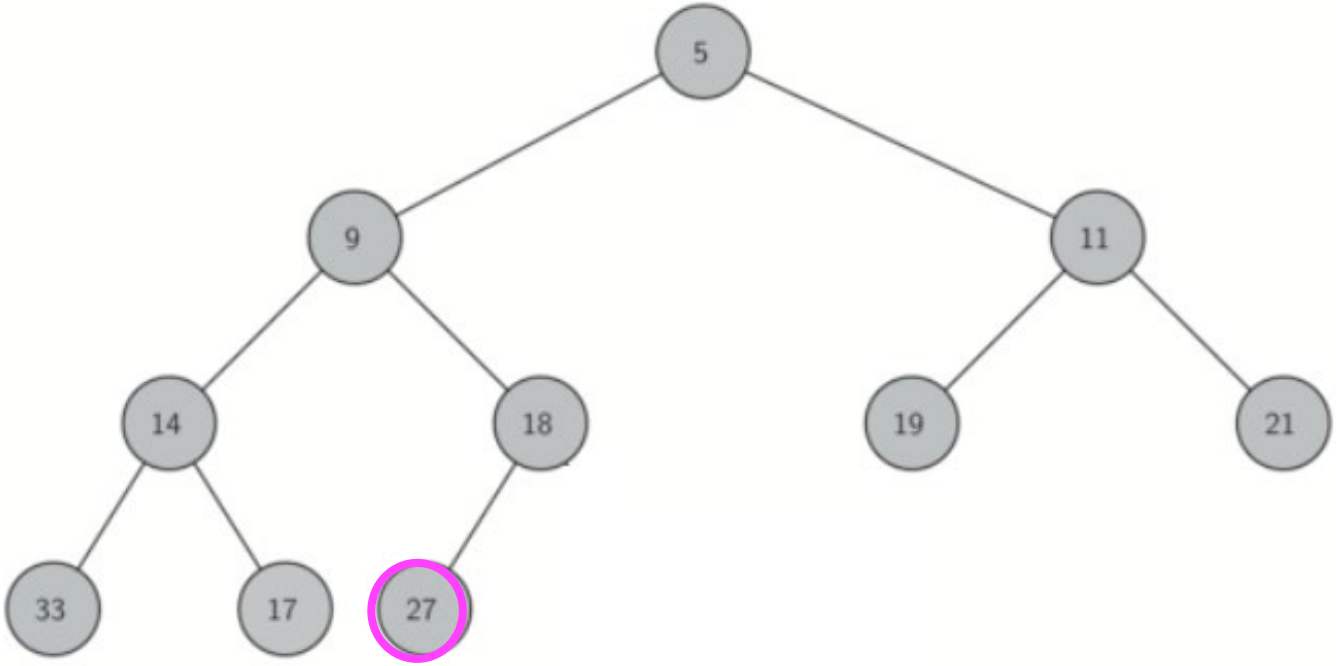

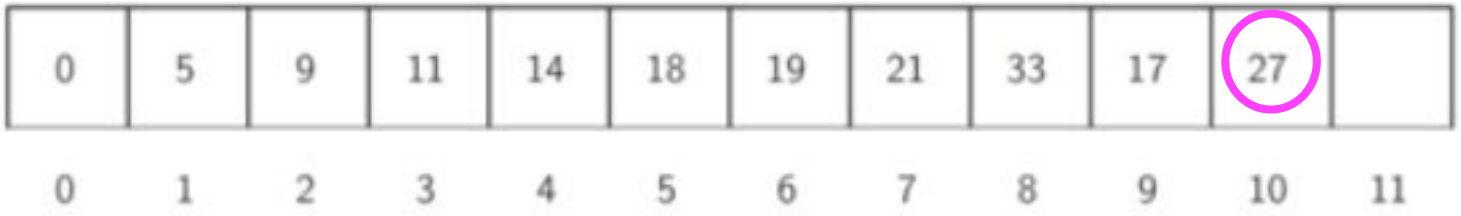

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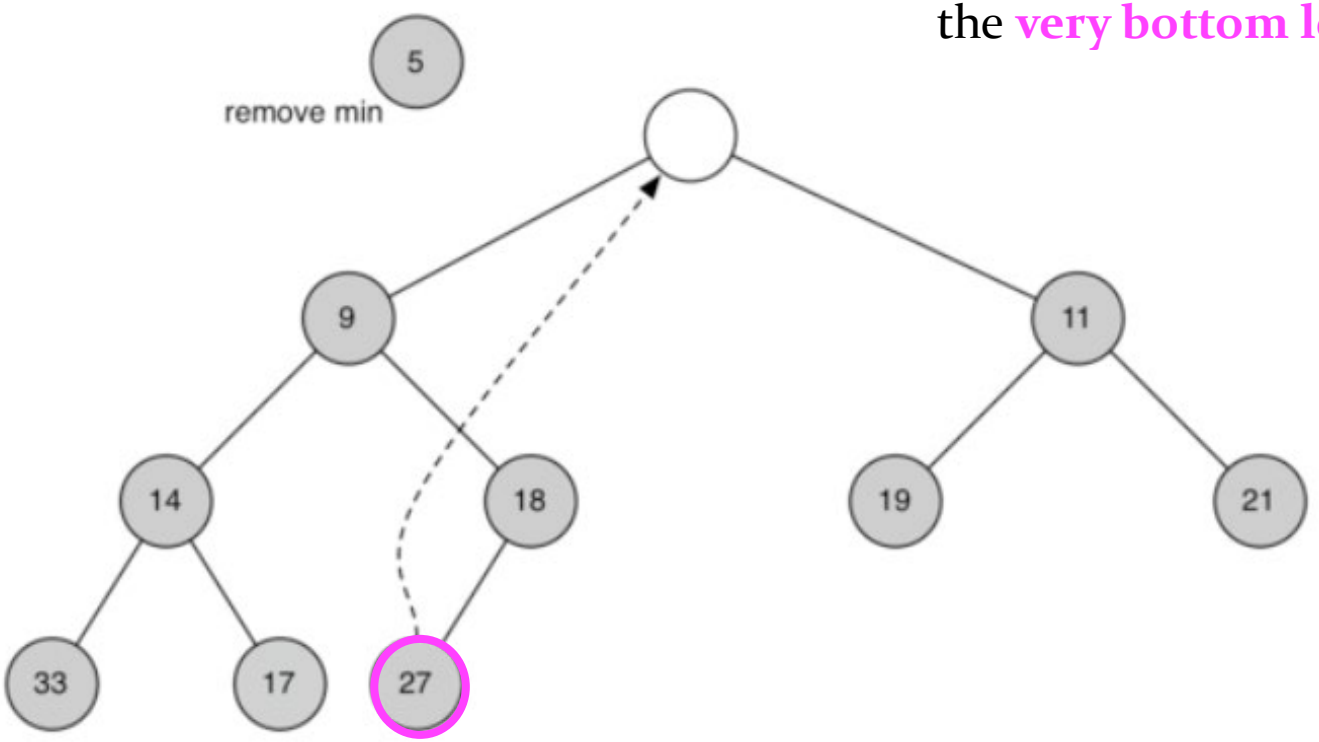

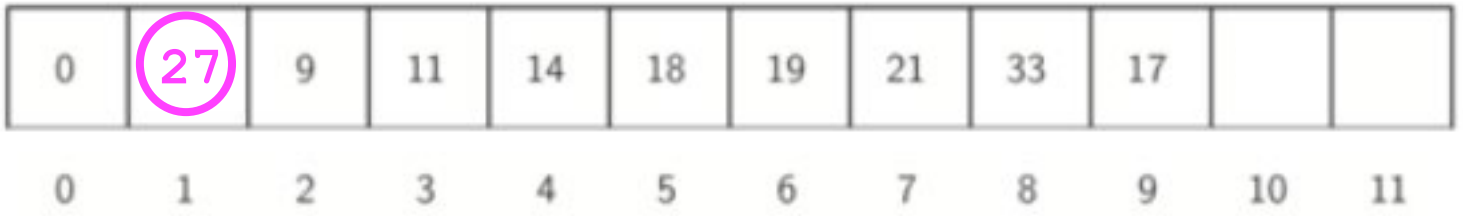

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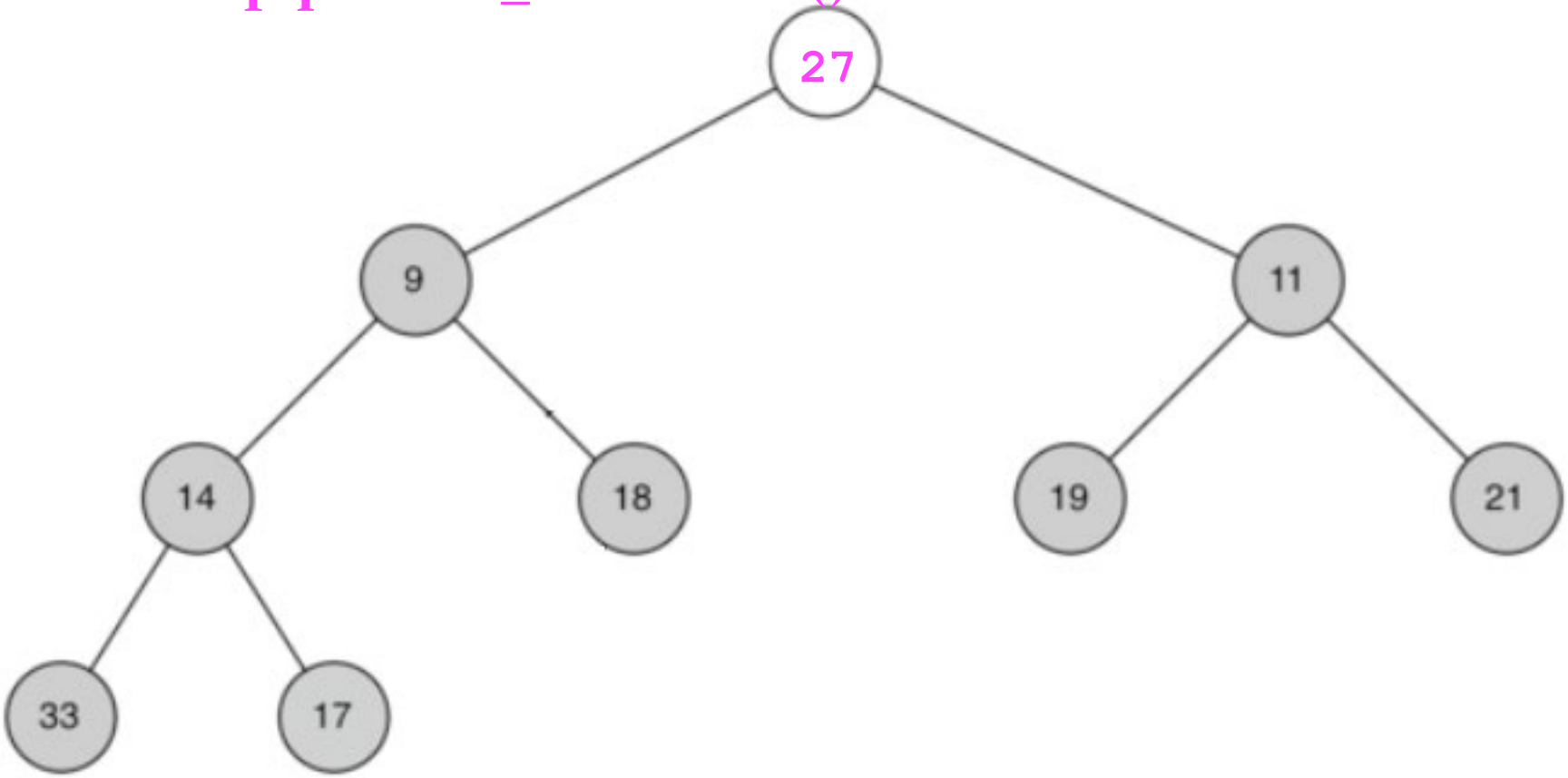

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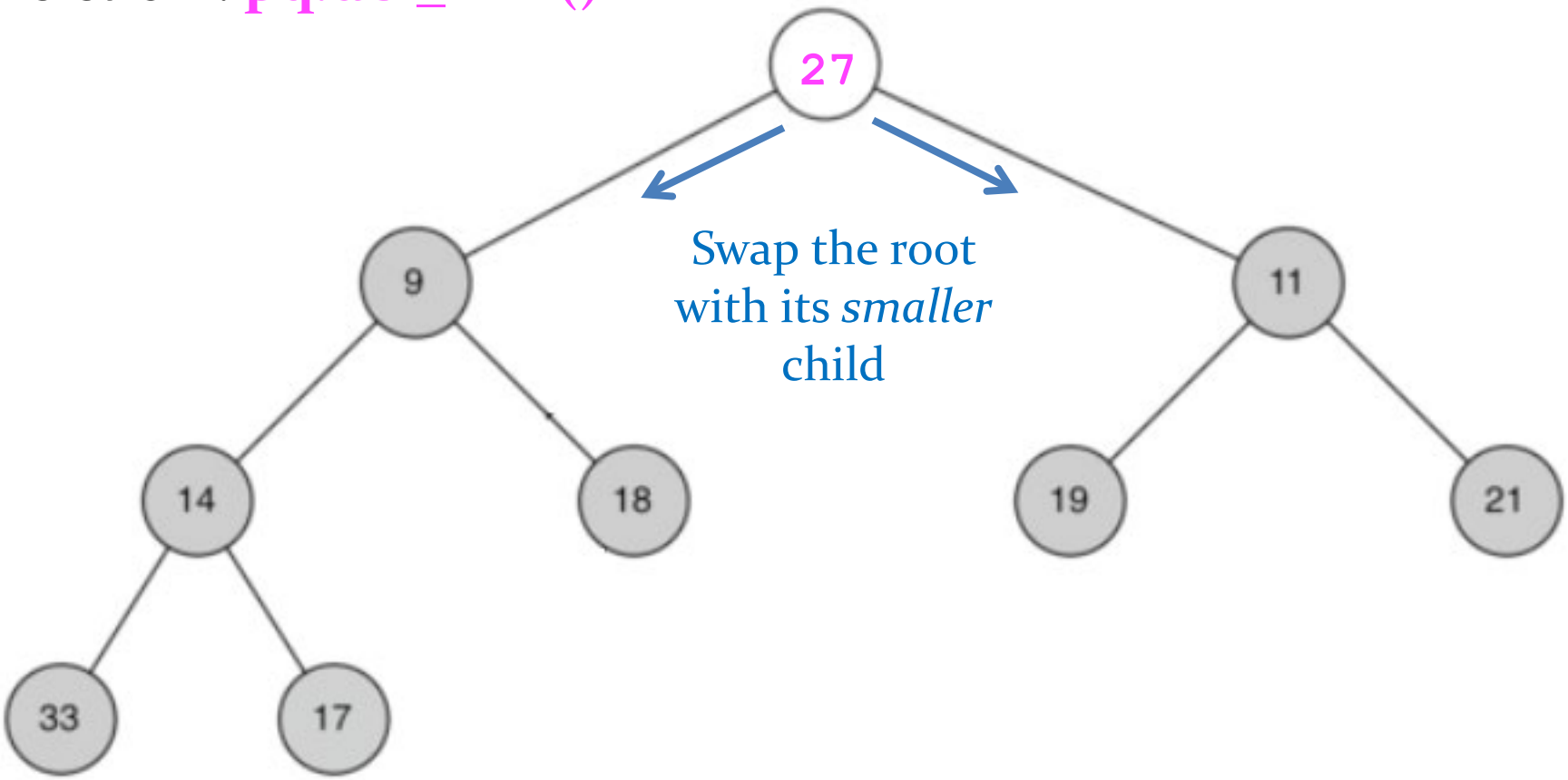

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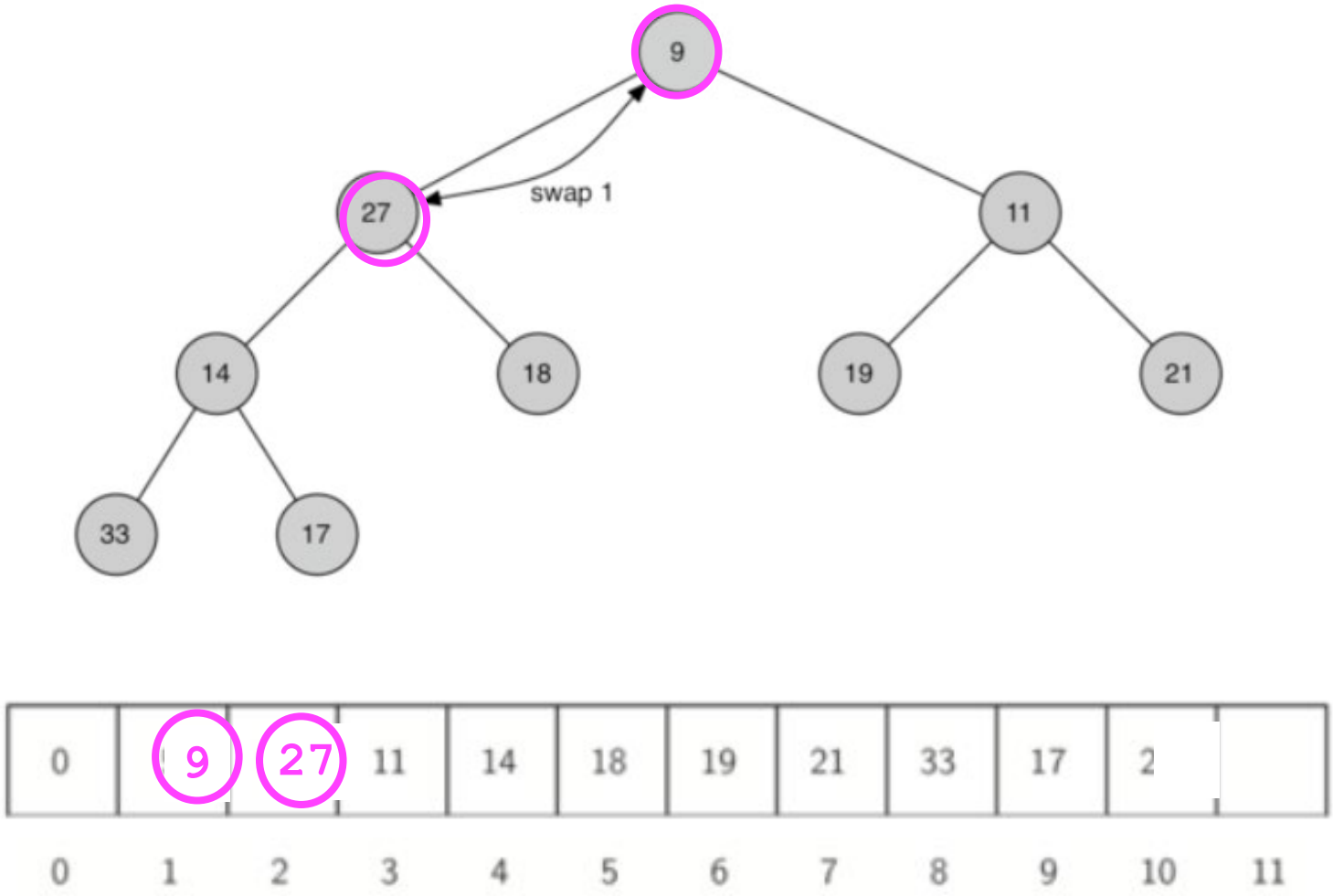

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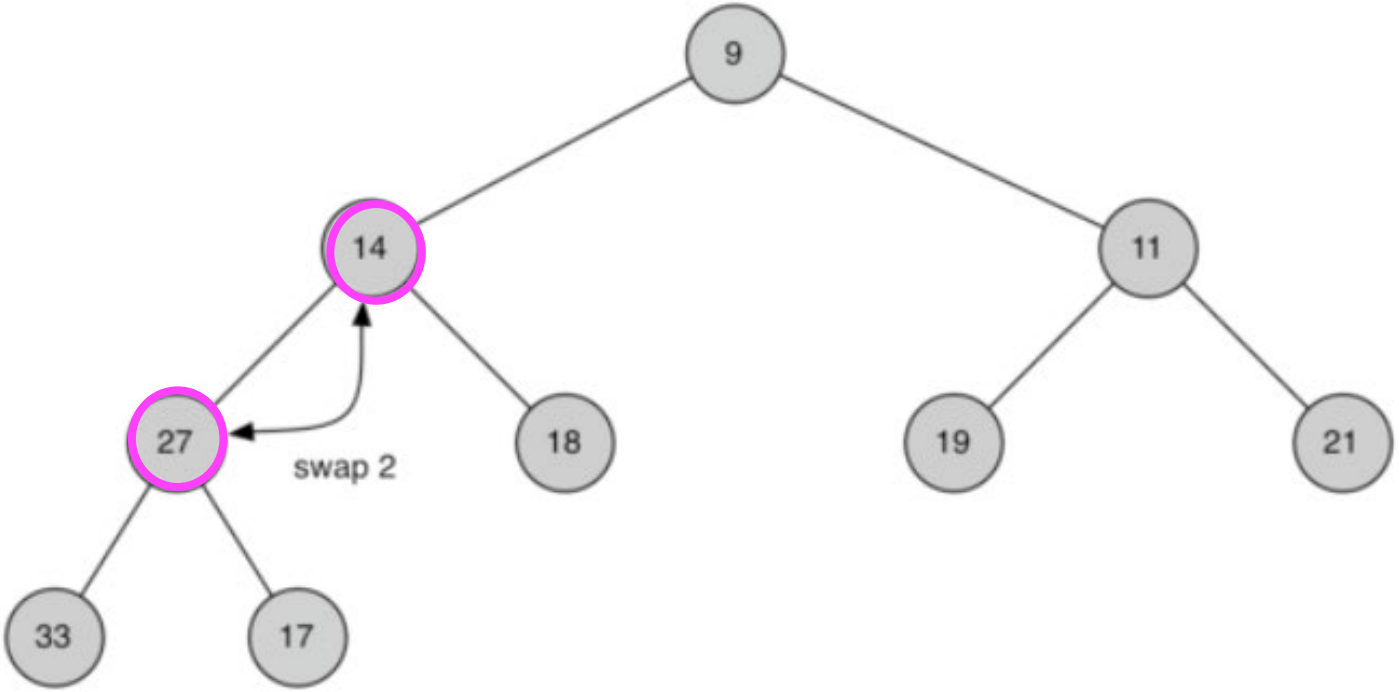

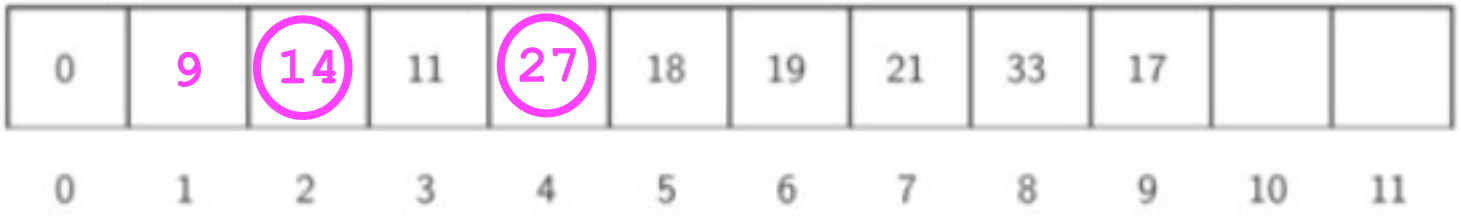

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