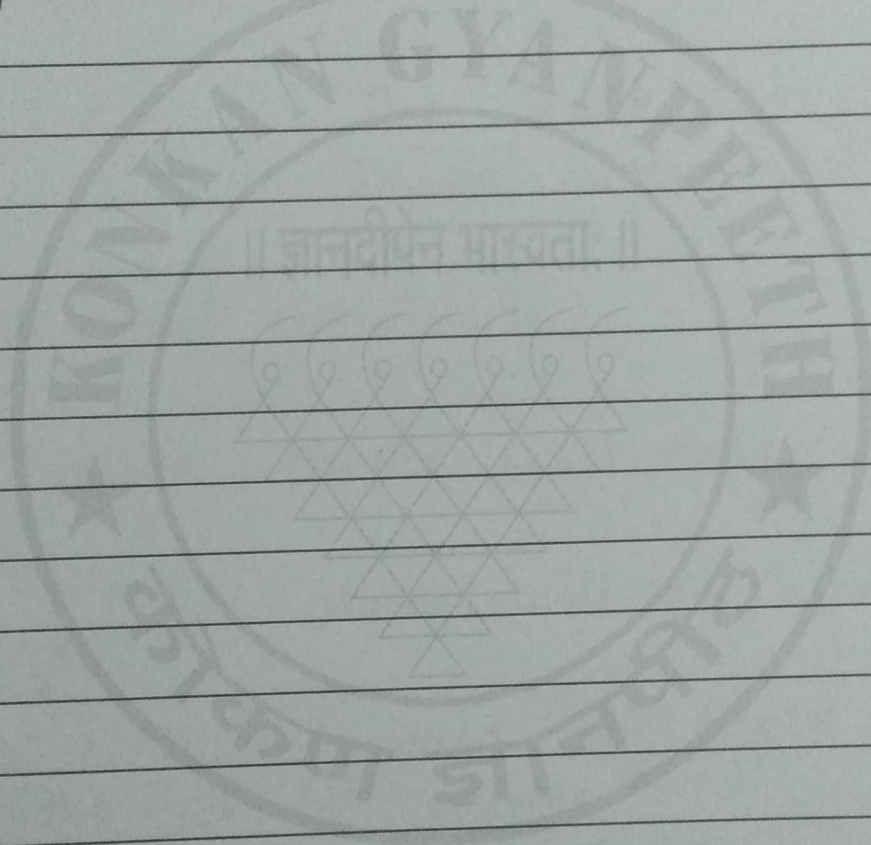


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② Alpha - Beta pruning :-

Alpha - Beta pruning is a modified version of the min max algo. It is an optimization technique for the min max algo.

Alpha (α) = The best (high-value)
= Initial value of alpha is $-\infty$

Beta (β) = The best (highest-value)
= Initial value of beta is $+\infty$

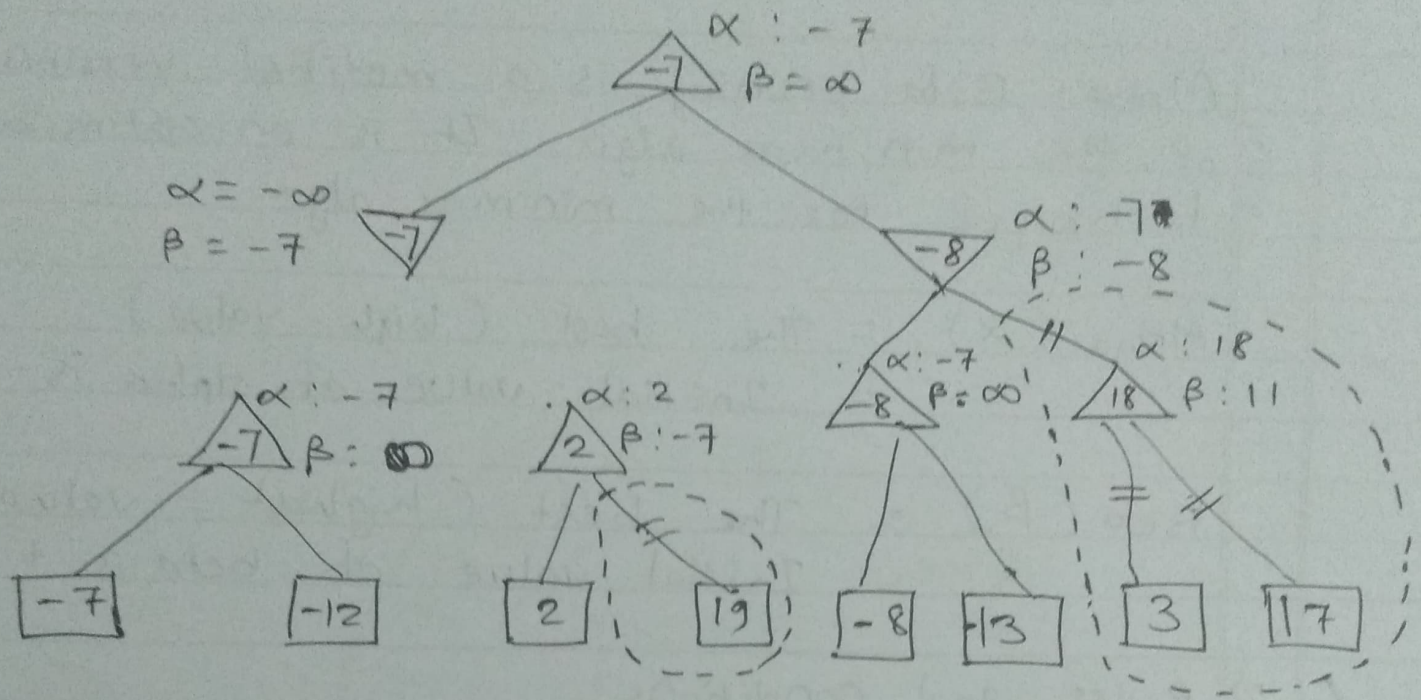
⇒ Rules and conditions:

- 1) The MAX player will only update the value of α
- 2) The MIN player will only update the value of β .
- 3) we will only pass the alpha, beta values to the child nodes
- 4) Node values will be passed to upper nodes instead of α, β value.

- condition of Prune : $\alpha \leq \beta$ or $\beta \leq \alpha$.

Now ,

when α is greater than equal to β .



$$1) \alpha(-\infty, -7) = -7$$

$$\alpha(-\infty, -12) = -12$$

$$\alpha(-7, -12) = -7$$

— MAX
(Bottom Left)

$$2) \beta(\infty, -7) = -7$$

— MIN (Left)

$$3) \alpha(-\infty, 2) = 2$$

$$\alpha(-\infty, 19) = 19$$

$$\alpha(2, 19) = 19$$

— MAX (Bottom Left)
(Left node)

$$4) \alpha(-7, -8)$$

— TOP (MAX)

$$5) \beta(-7, 2) = -7$$

— MIN (right)

$$6) \beta(-\infty, -8) = -8$$

— MAX (Bottom right)
(right node)

$$7) \alpha(-7, -8) = -7$$

$$\alpha(-7, -13) = -7$$

$$\alpha(-8, -13) = -8$$

$$8) \beta = (\infty, -13) = -13$$

- MIN (right)

$$\alpha = -7$$

$$\beta = -8$$

$$[\alpha \geq \beta]$$

So, the next node is pruned

$$9) \alpha = -7$$

- max

$$\beta = \infty$$

$$\alpha(-7, -8) = -7$$

(solution)