

Min-Max Algorithm

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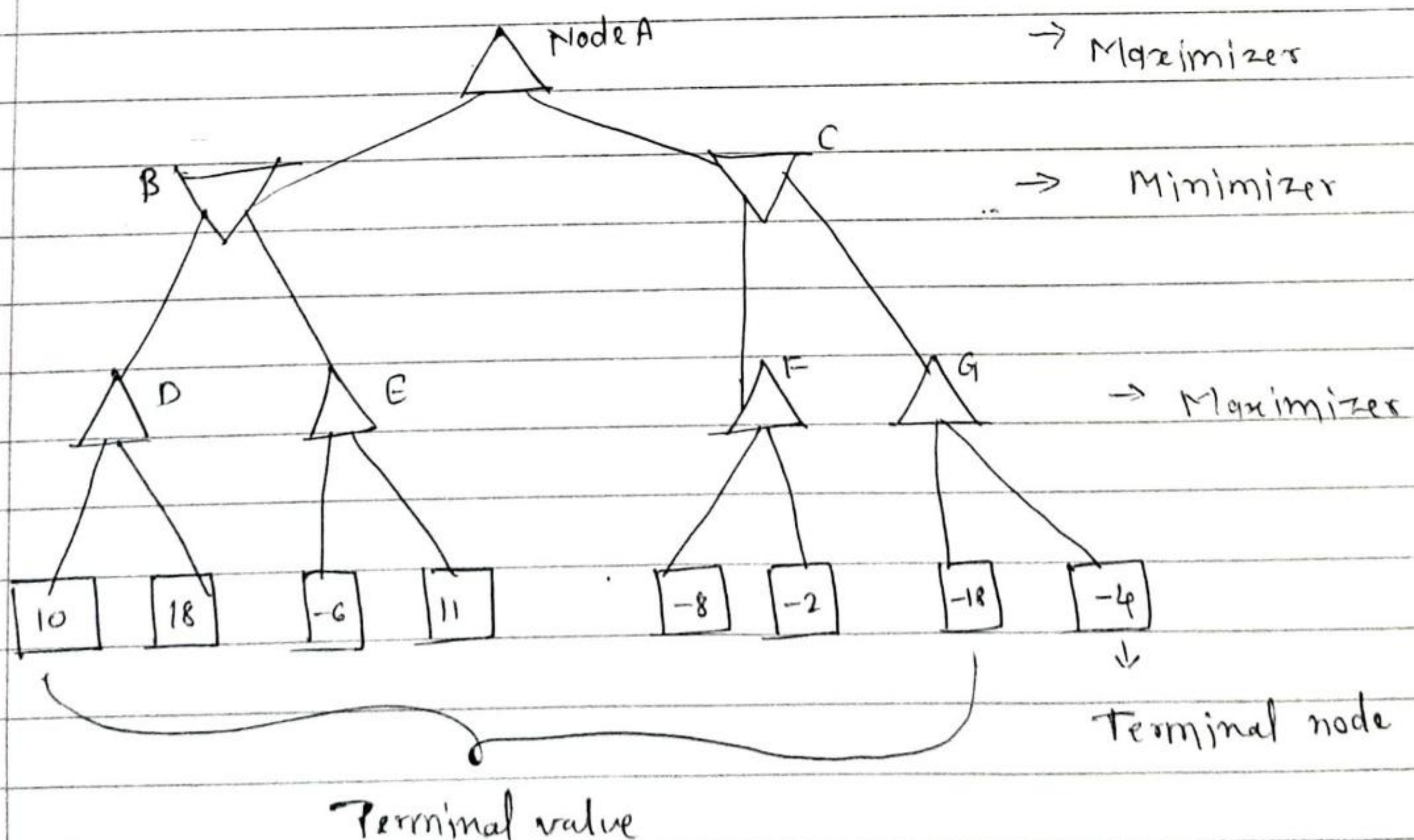
Min-Max Algorithm :

Min-max algorithm is a recursive of back tracking algo which is used in decision-making & game theory. It provides an optimal move for the player assuming that Opponent is also playing optimally.

- Min-max algo uses recursion to search through the game tree
- In this algo two players play the game, one is called MAX & other is called MIN.
- Min-max algo is mostly used for game playing in AI.

step 1:

Let's take A is the initial state of the tree. Suppose maximizer takes first two (when or) which has worst-case initial value = $-\infty$, & minimizer will take next turn which has worst-case initial value = $+\infty$



Step 2:

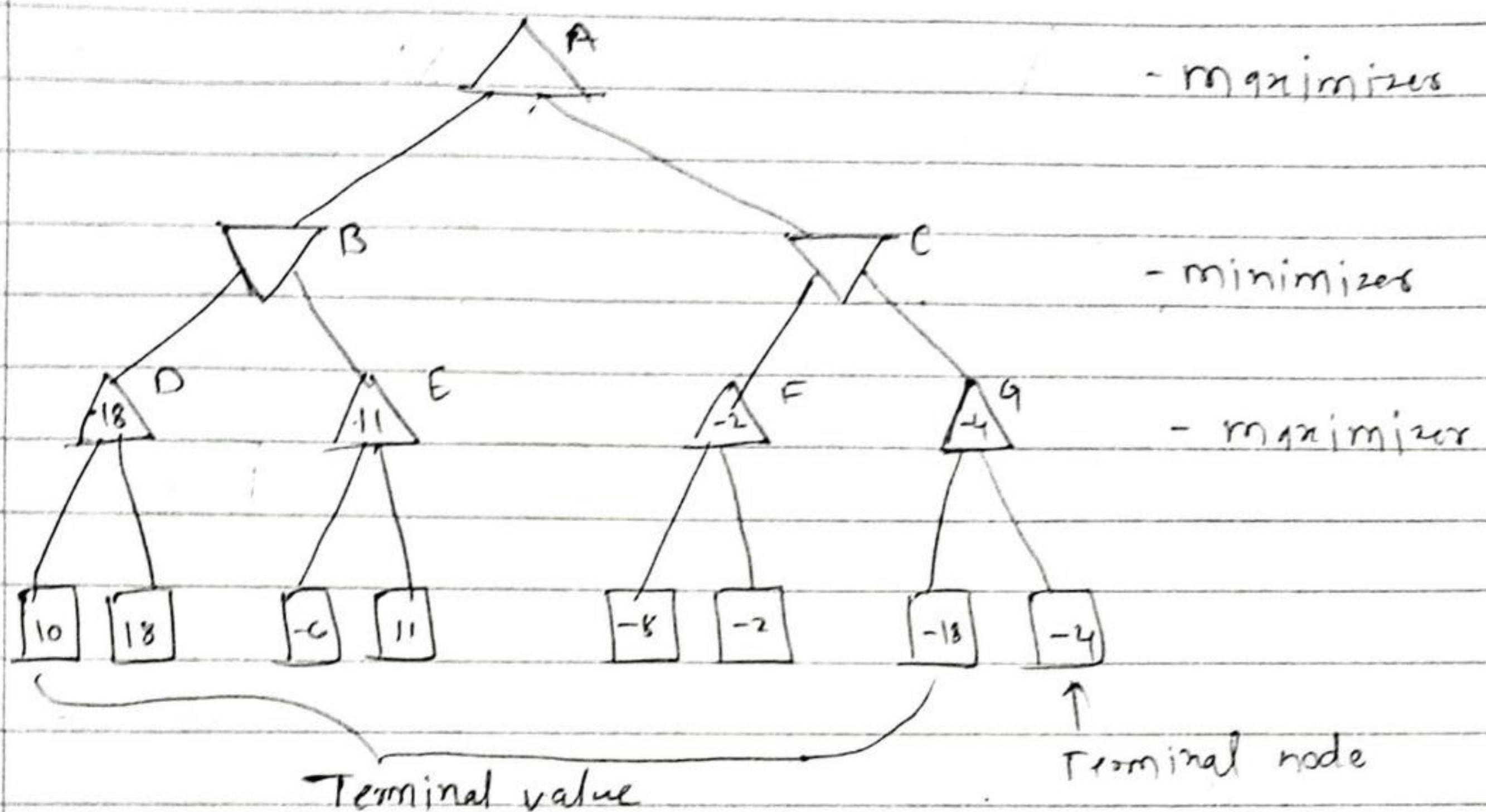
First we find the utilities value for the maximizer, its initial value is $-\infty$, so we will compare each value in terminal state with initial value of maximizer & determines the higher nodes value. It will find the maximum among all.

For Node D : $\max(10, -\infty) \Rightarrow \max(10, 18) = 18$

For Node E : $\max(-6, -\infty) \Rightarrow \max(-6, 11) = 11$

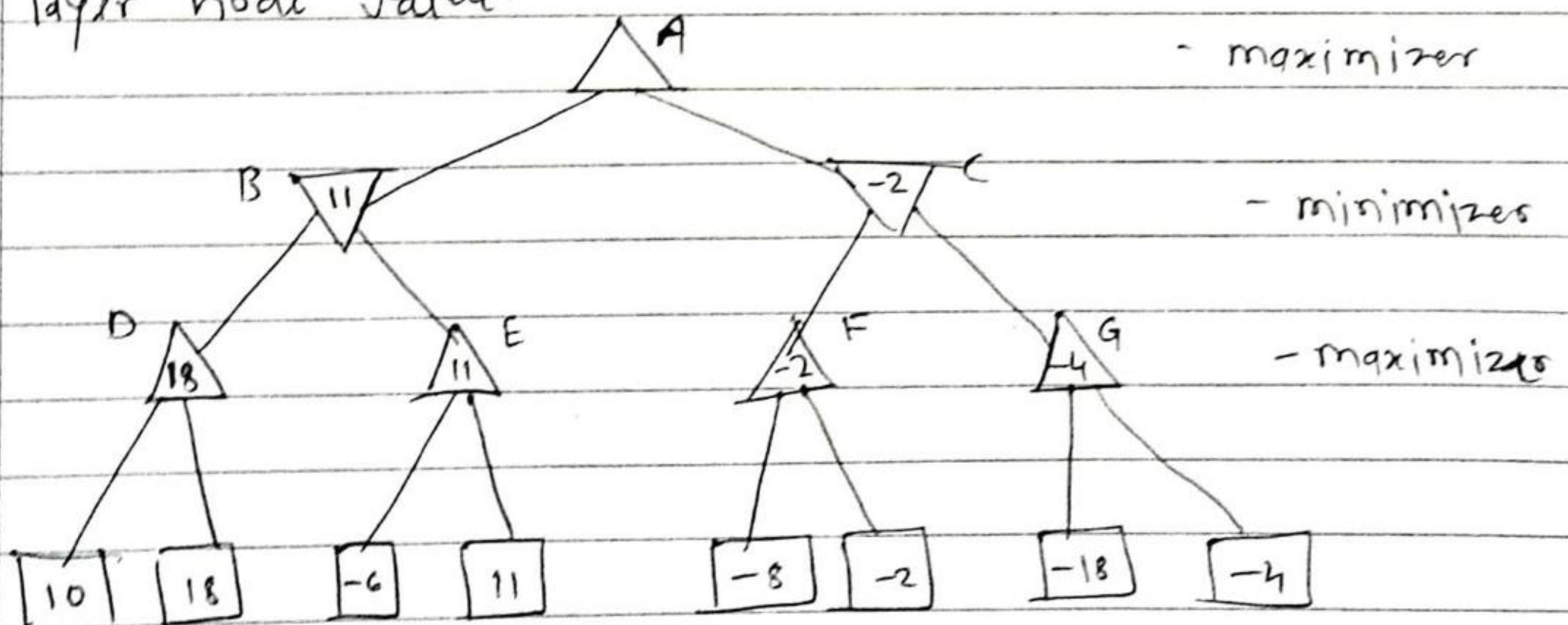
For Node F : $\max(-8, -\infty) \Rightarrow \max(-8, -2) = -2$

For node G : $\max(-18, -\infty) \Rightarrow \max(-18, -4) = -4$



Step 3:

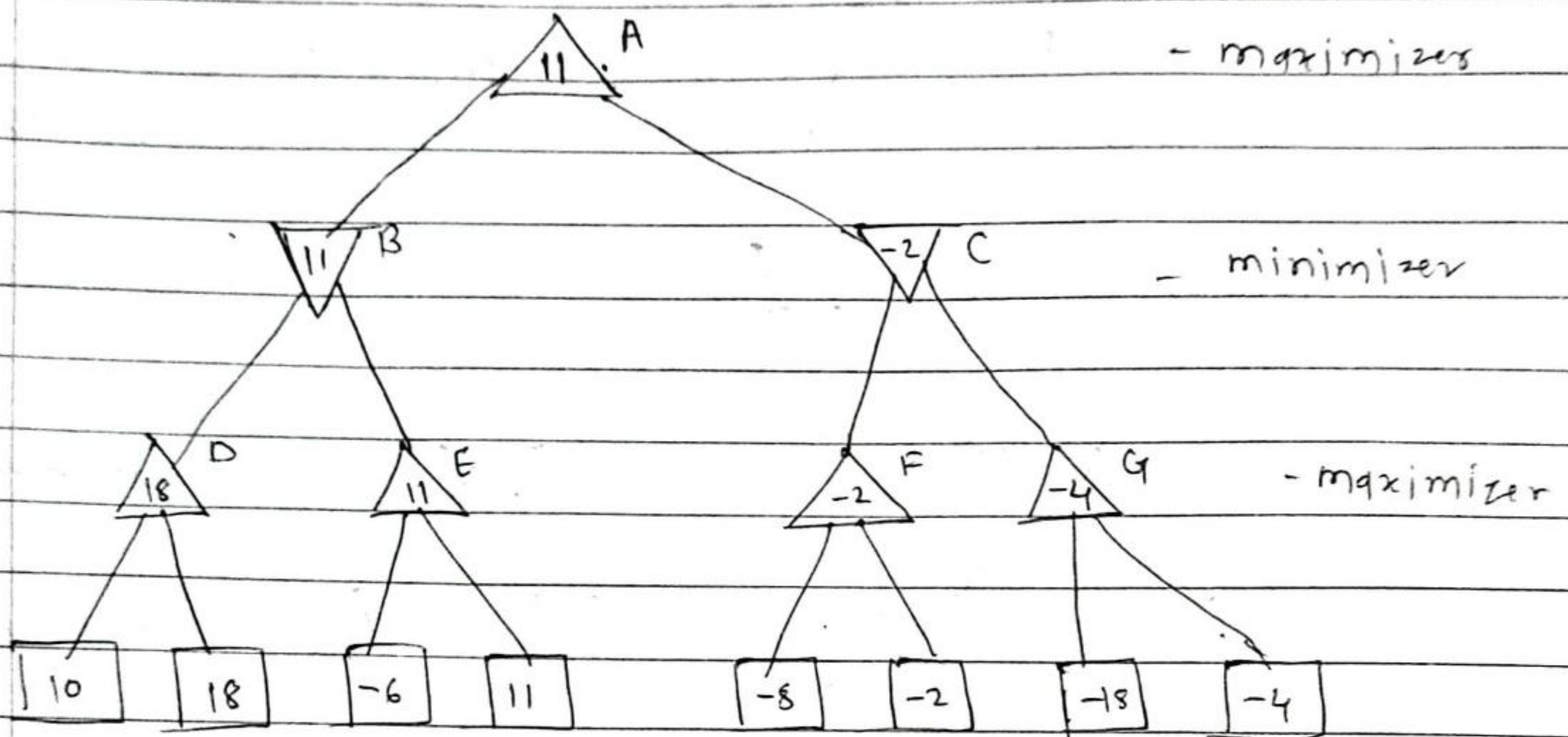
In the next step, it's a turn for minimize, so it will compare all nodes value with ~~two~~ & will find third layer node value.



Step 4:

Now it's a turn for maximizer, & it will again choose the maximum of all nodes value & find the maximum value for the root node.

For node A : $\max(11, -2) = 11$



Hence, it was the complete workflow of the minimax Algorithm with two player game.