

Fibonacci Heaps

Lecture slides adapted from:

- Chapter 20 of *Introduction to Algorithms* by Cormen, Leiserson, Rivest, and Stein.
- Chapter 9 of *The Design and Analysis of Algorithms* by Dexter Kozen.

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Theorem. Starting from empty Fibonacci heap, any sequence of a_1 *insert*, a_2 *delete-min*, and a_3 *decrease-key* operations takes $O(a_1 + a_2 \log n + a_3)$ time.

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Hopeless challenge. $O(1)$ *insert*, *delete-min* and *decrease-key*. Why?

Fibonacci Heaps

History. [Fredman and Tarjan, 1986]

- Ingenious data structure and analysis.
- Original motivation: improve Dijkstra's shortest path algorithm from $O(E \log V)$ to $O(E + V \log V)$.

V insert, V delete-min, E decrease-key

Basic idea.

- Similar to binomial heaps, but less rigid structure.
- Binomial heap: **eagerly** consolidate trees after each *insert*.



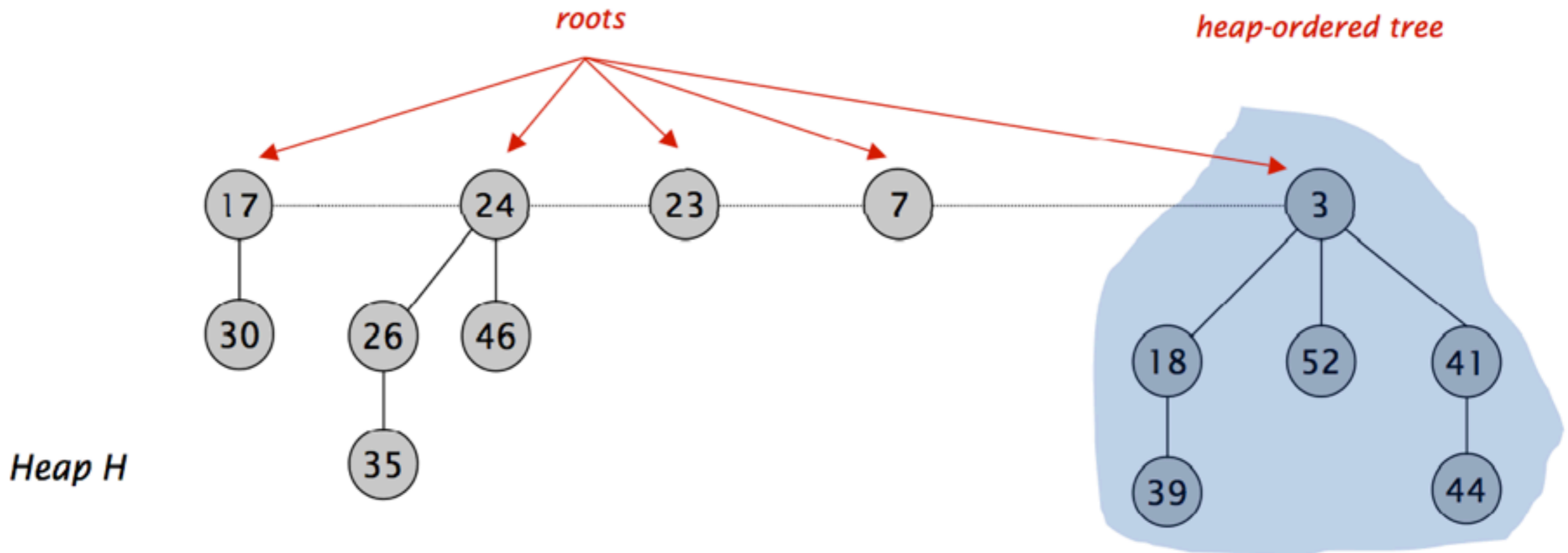
- Fibonacci heap: **lazily** defer consolidation until next *delete-min*.

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- Maintain pointer to minimum element.
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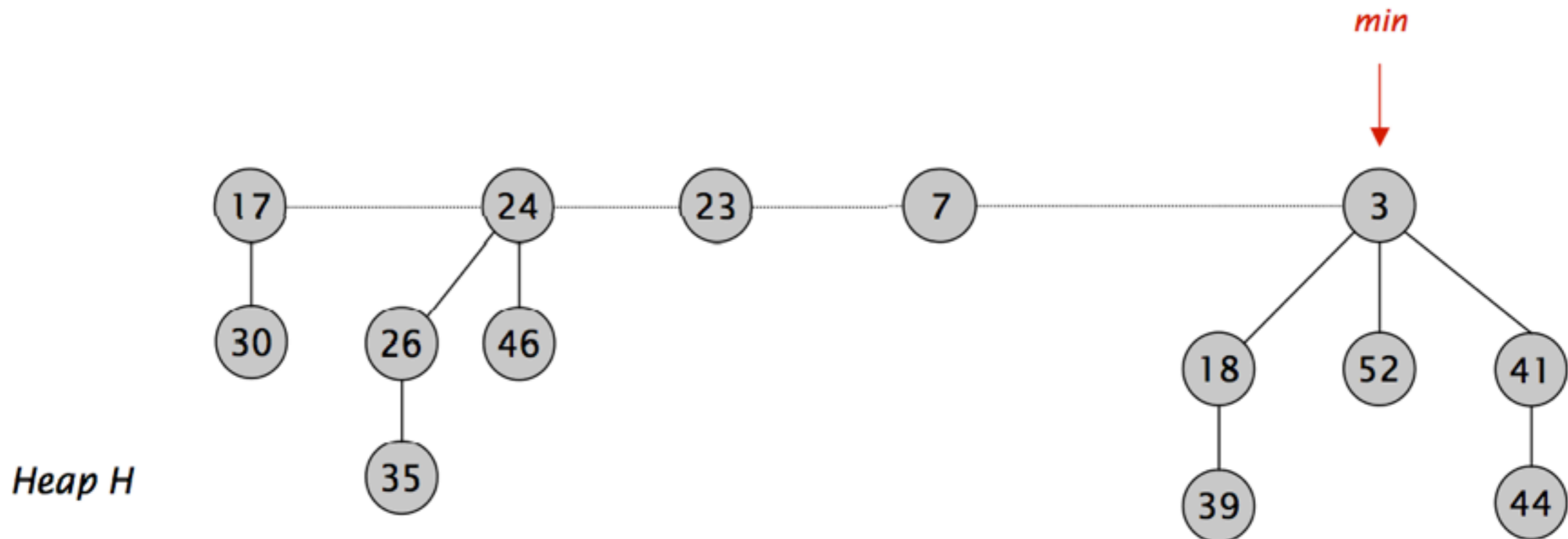
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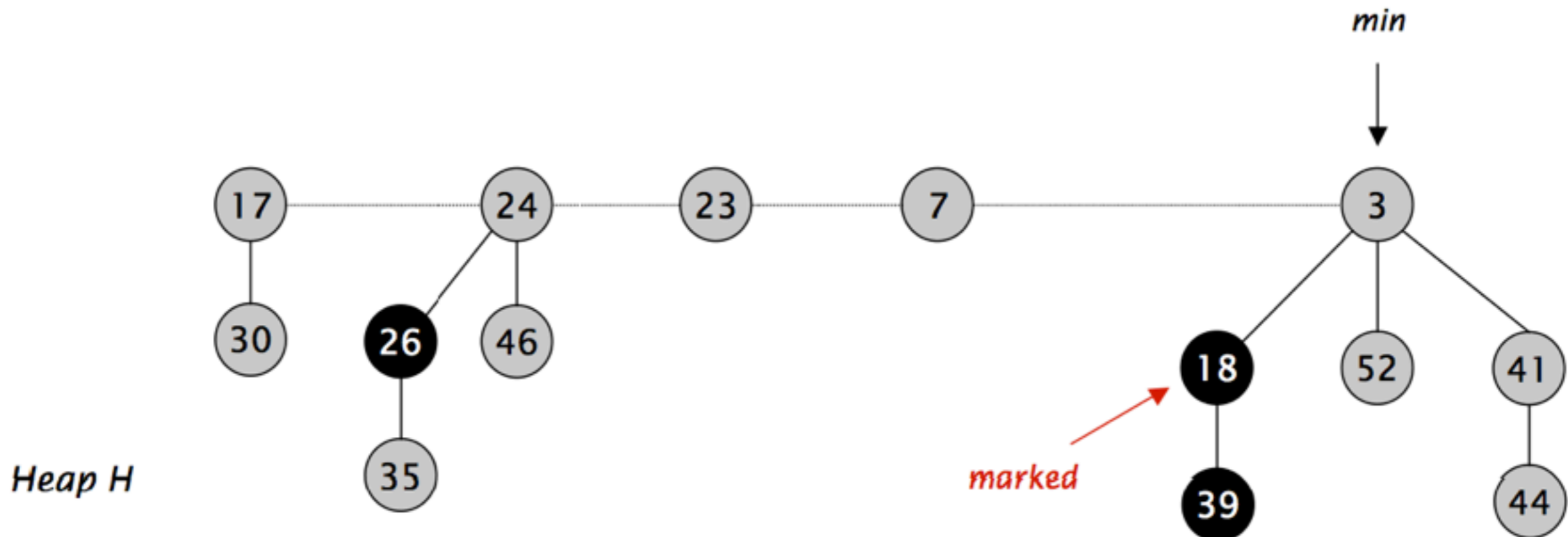


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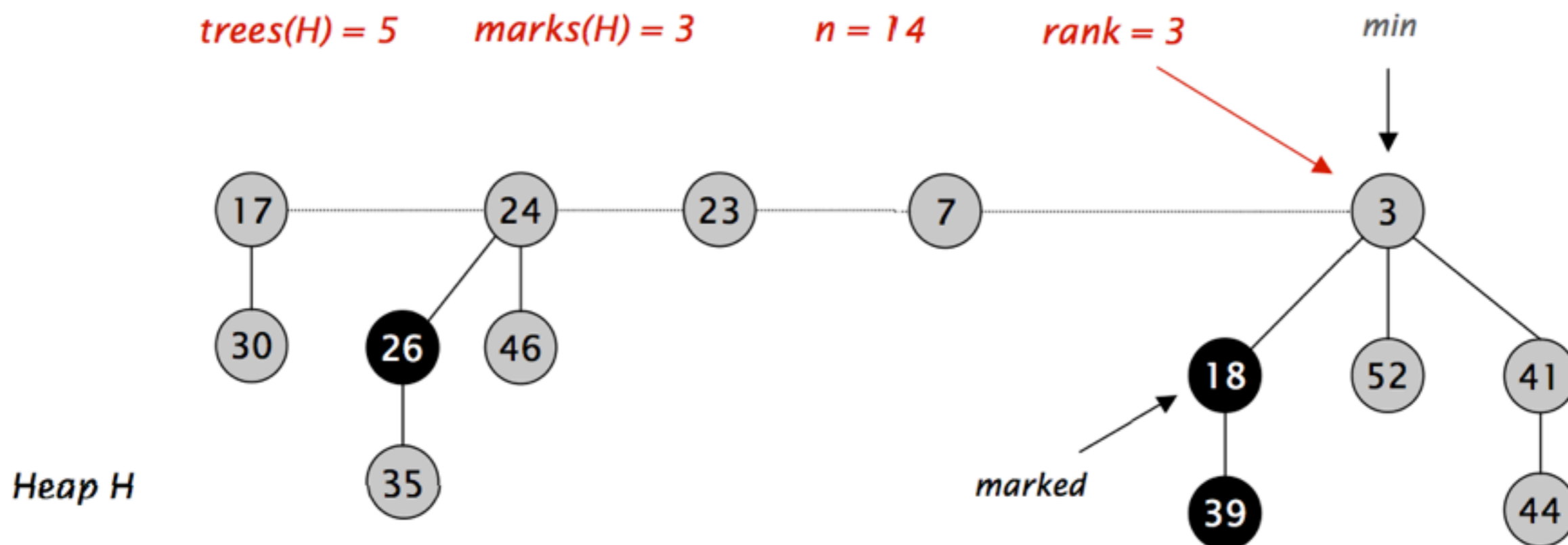
use to keep heaps flat (stay tuned)



Fibonacci Heaps: Notation

Notation.

- n = number of nodes in heap.
- $rank(x)$ = number of children of node x .
- $rank(H)$ = max rank of any node in heap H .
- $trees(H)$ = number of trees in heap H .
- $marks(H)$ = number of marked nodes in heap H .



Fibonacci Heaps: Potential Function

$$\Phi(H) = \text{trees}(H) + 2 \cdot \text{marks}(H)$$

potential of heap H

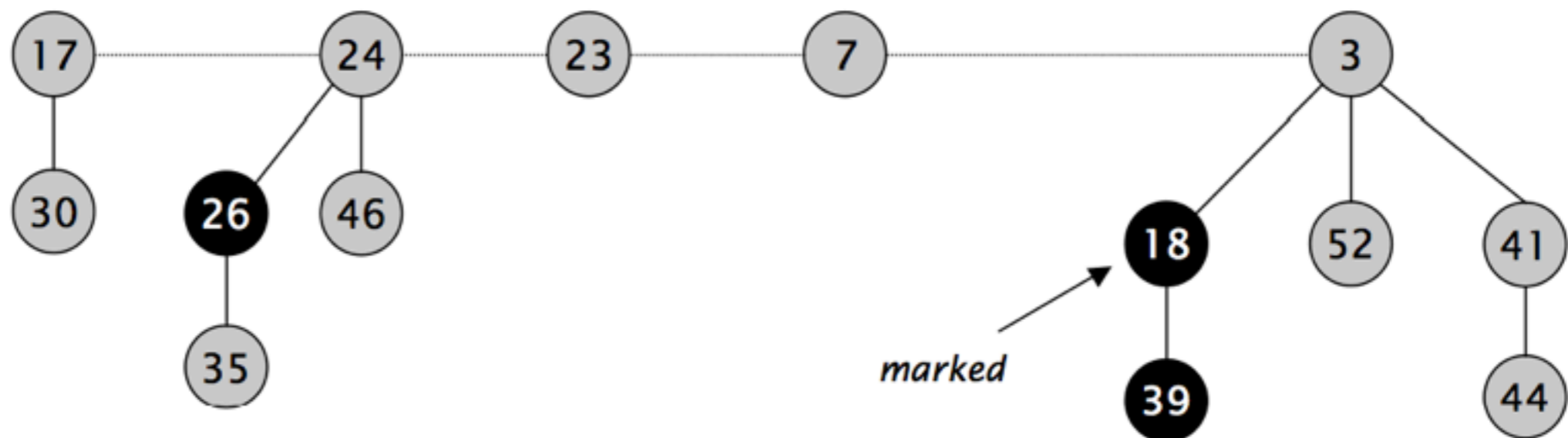
$\text{trees}(H) = 5$

$\text{marks}(H) = 3$

$\Phi(H) = 5 + 2 \cdot 3 = 11$

min

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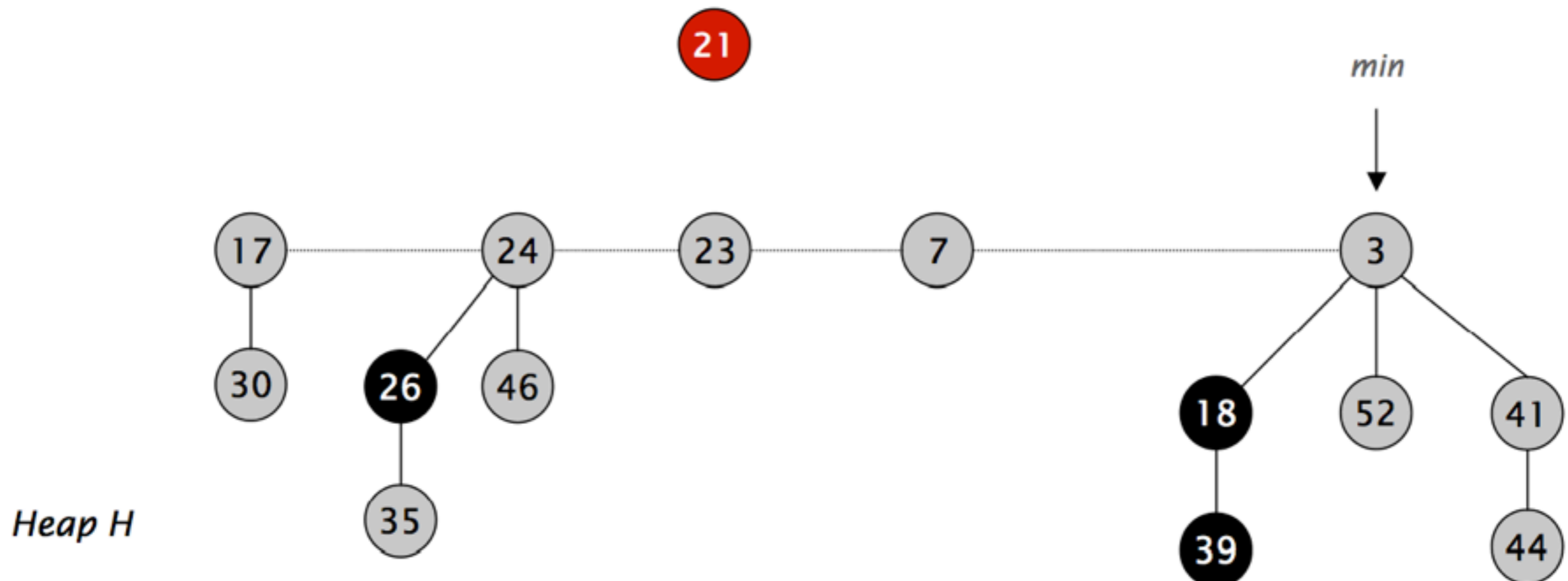
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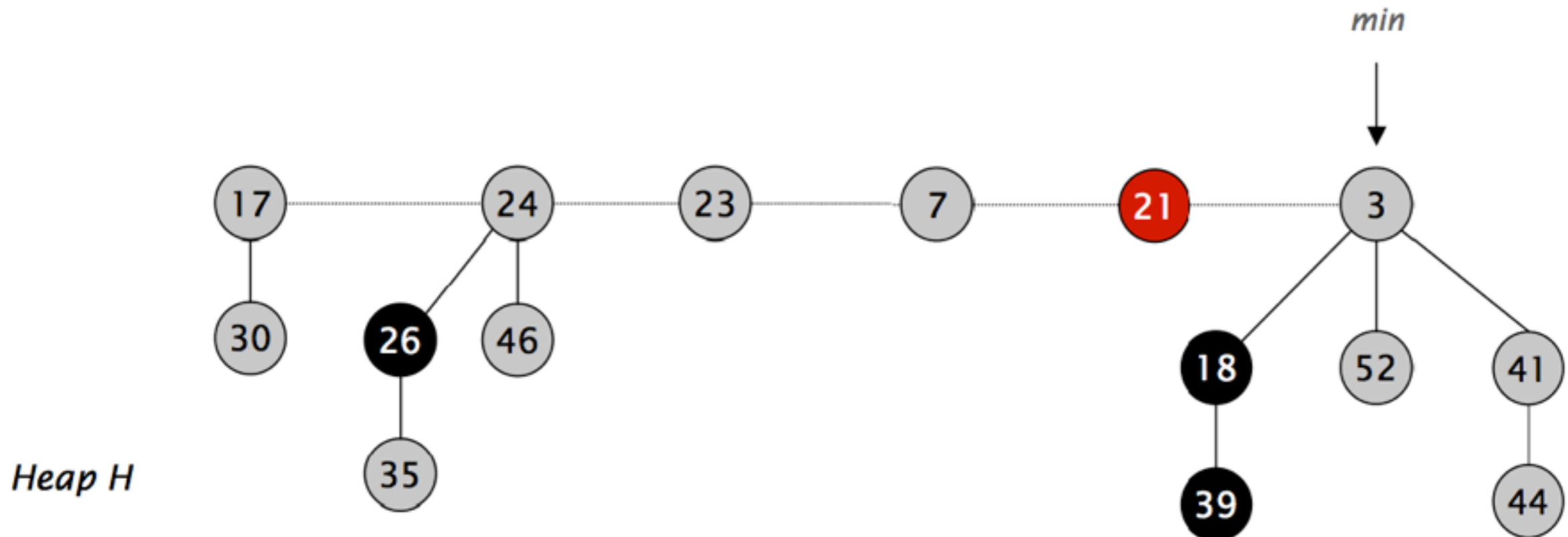
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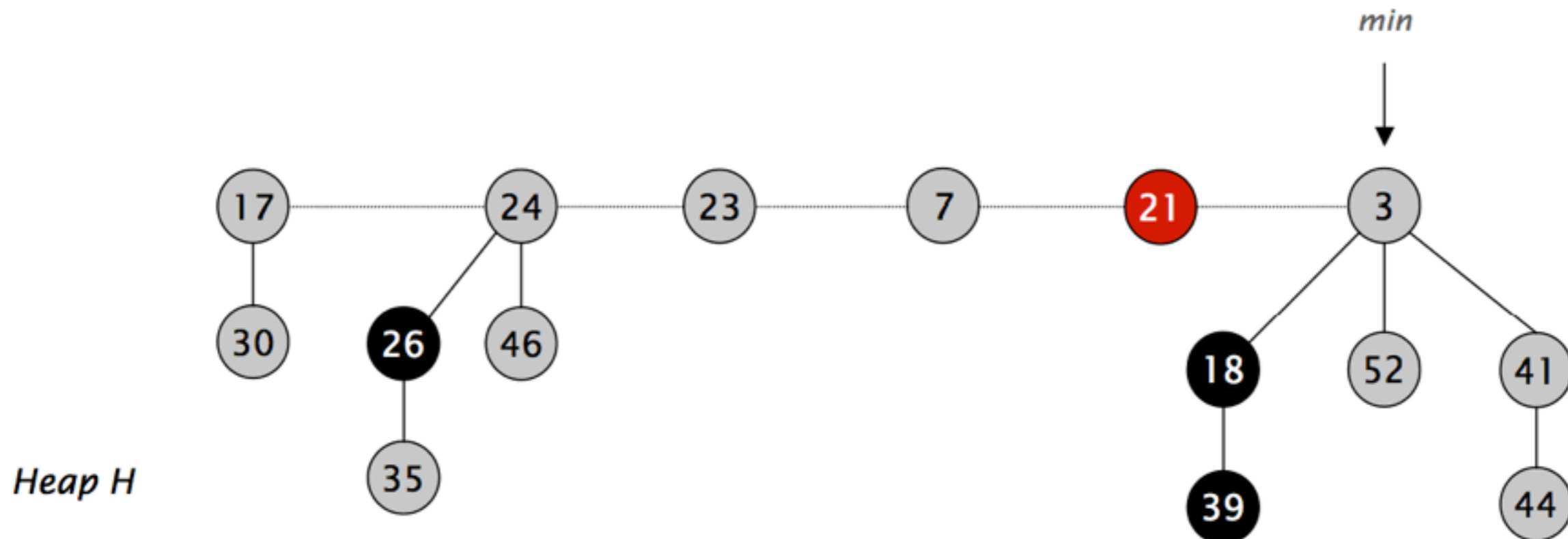
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Change in potential. $+1$

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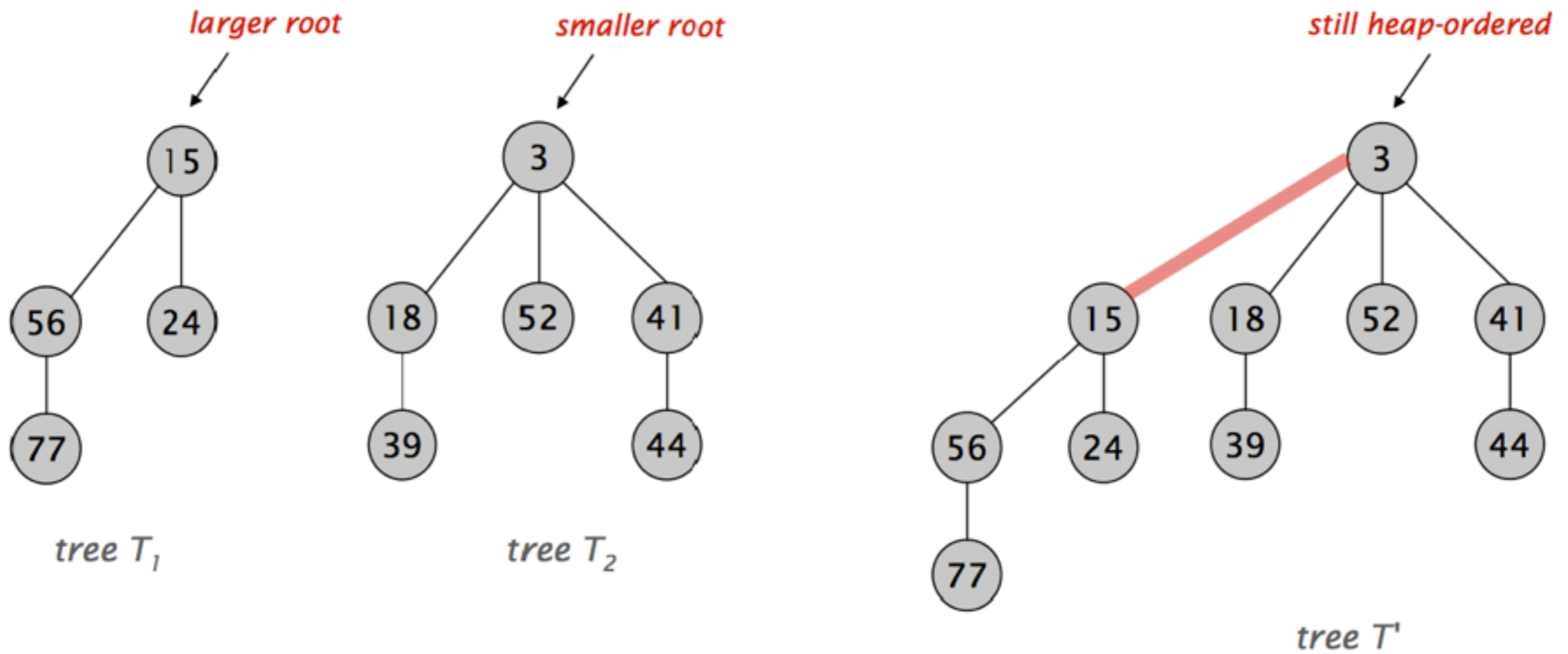
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Linking Operation

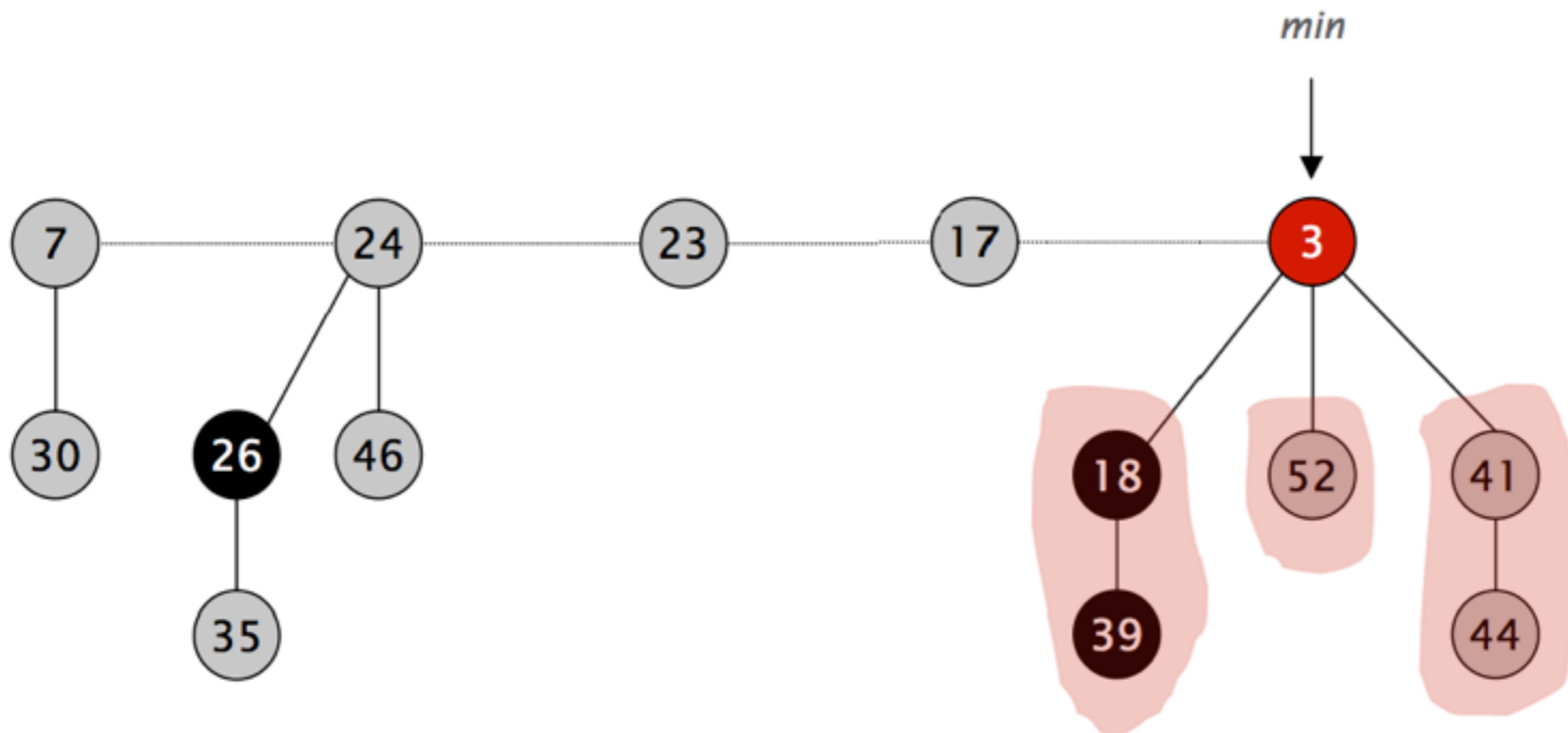
Linking operation. Make larger root be a child of smaller root.



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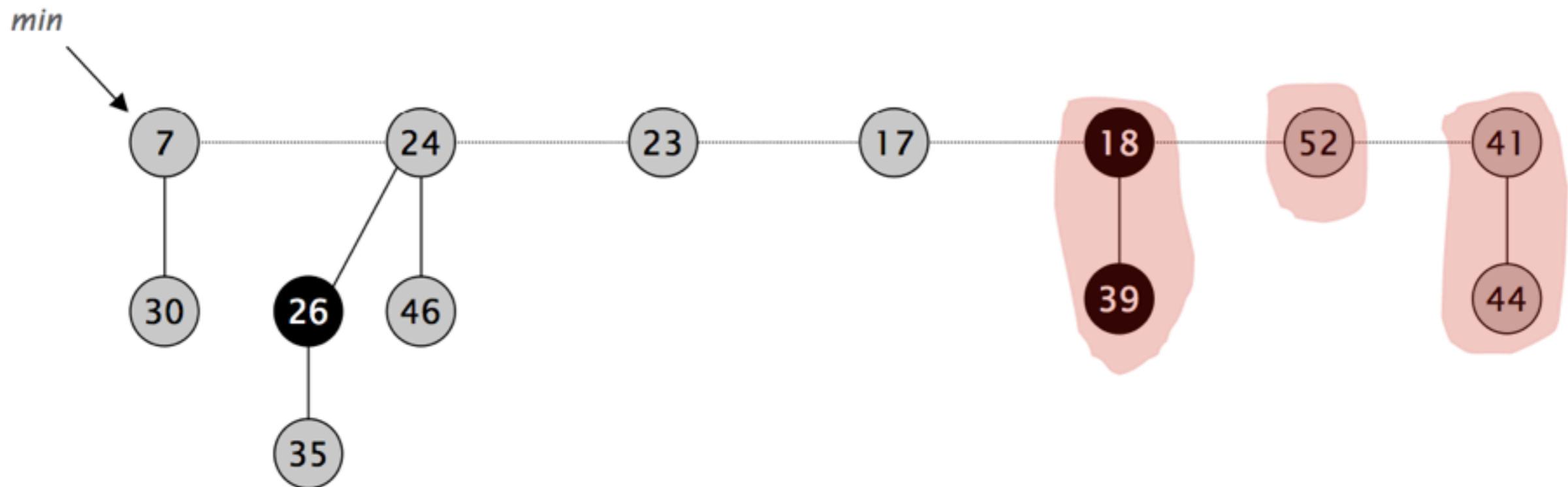
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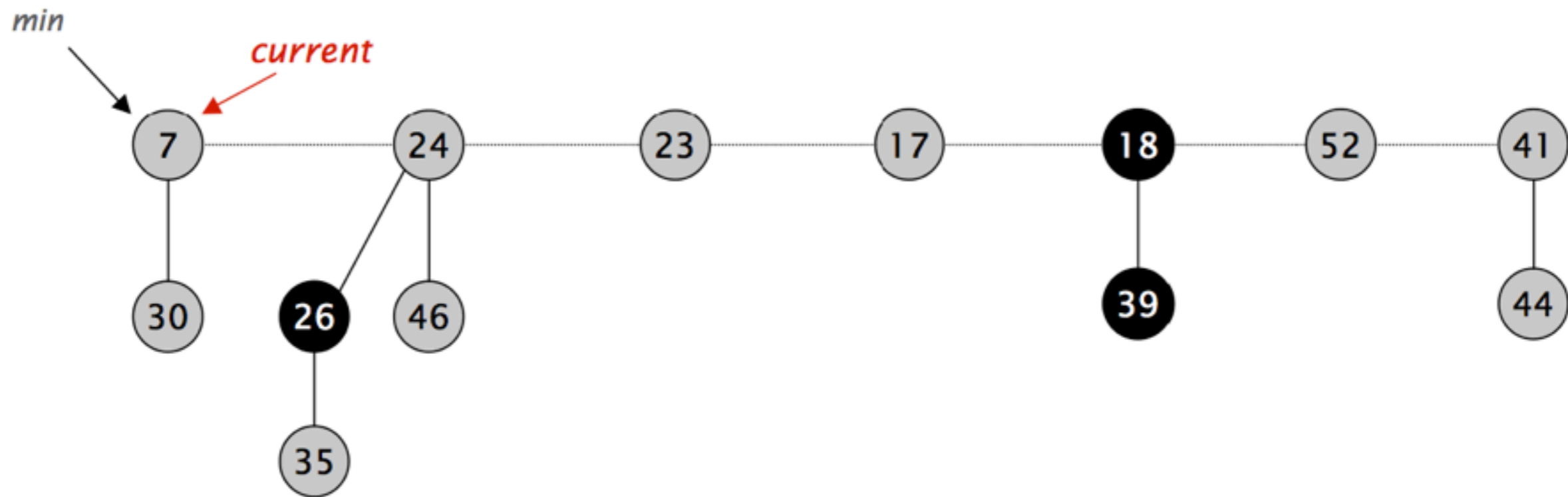
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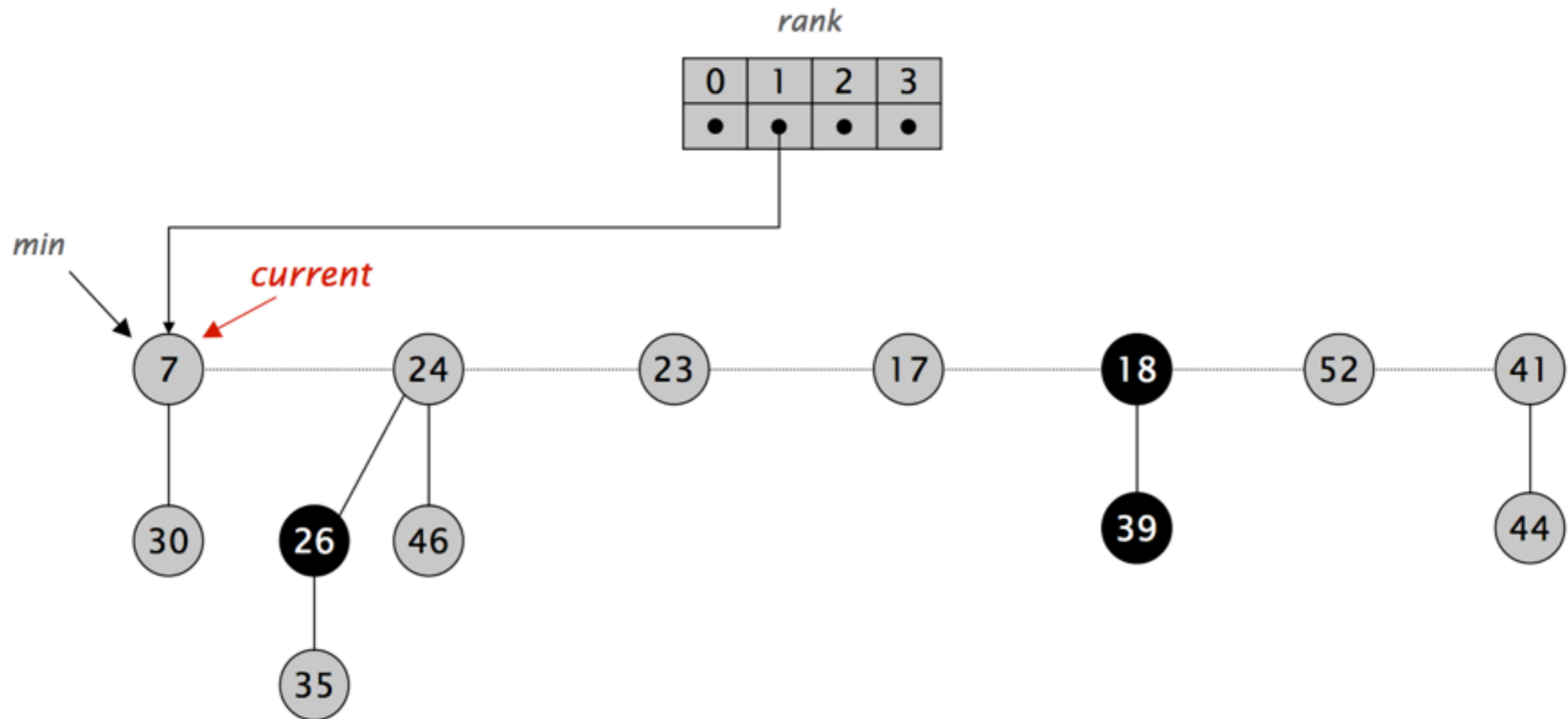
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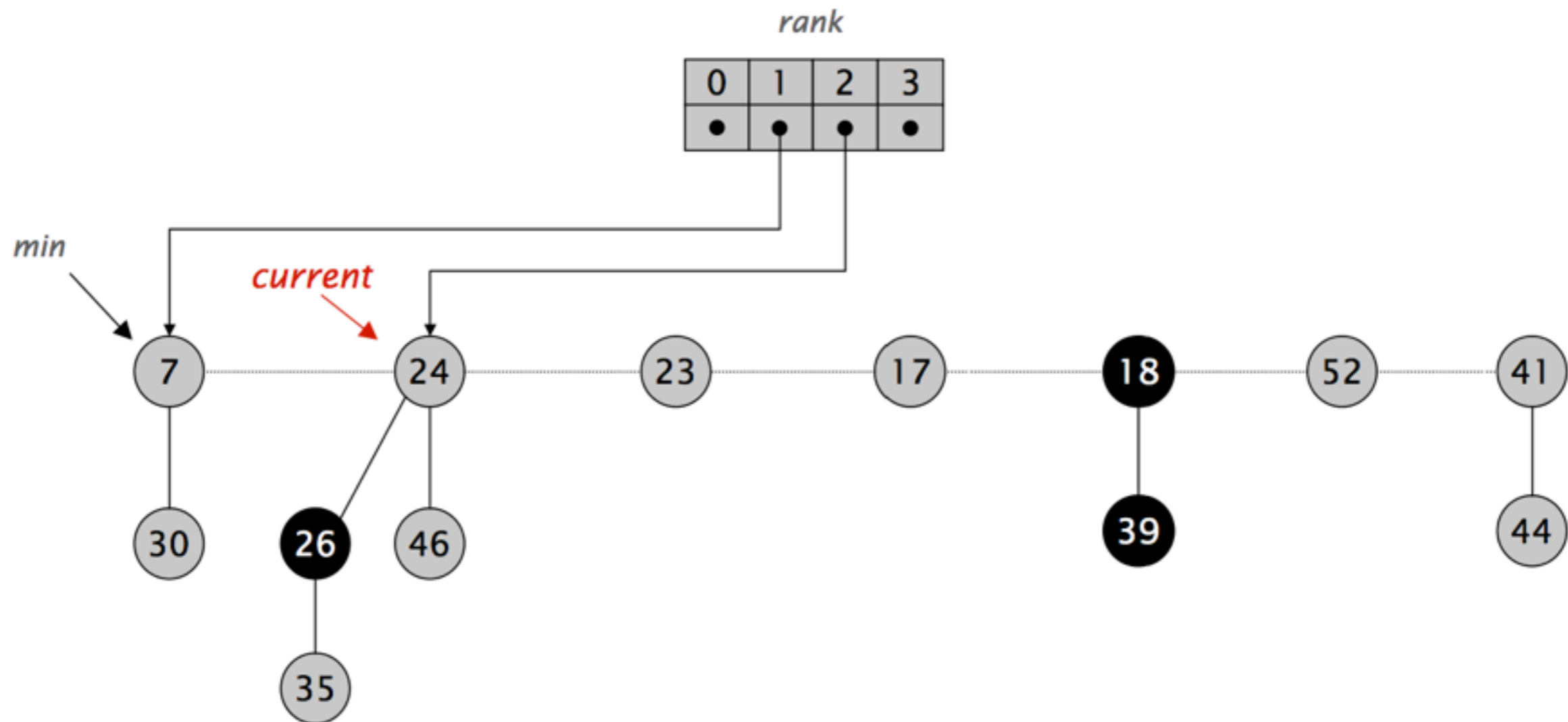
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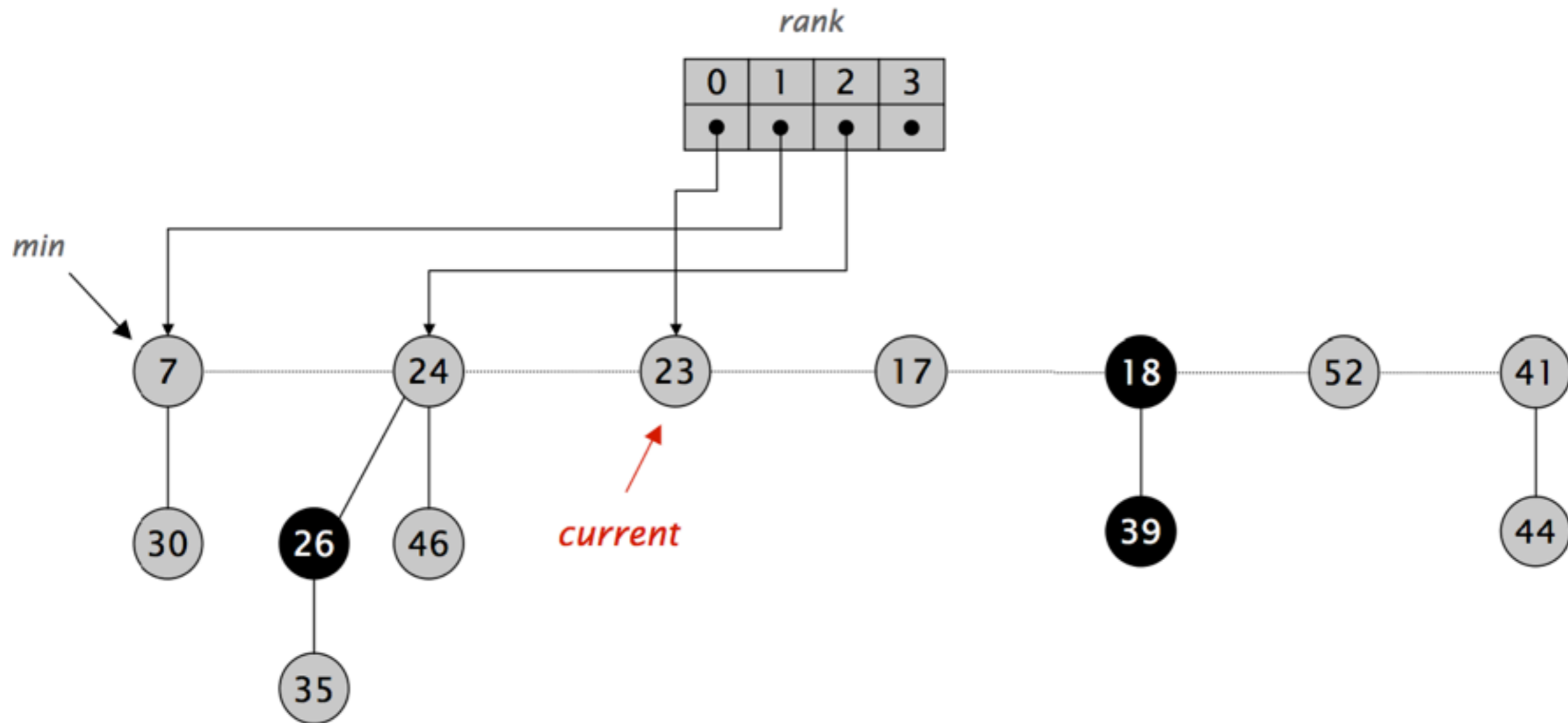
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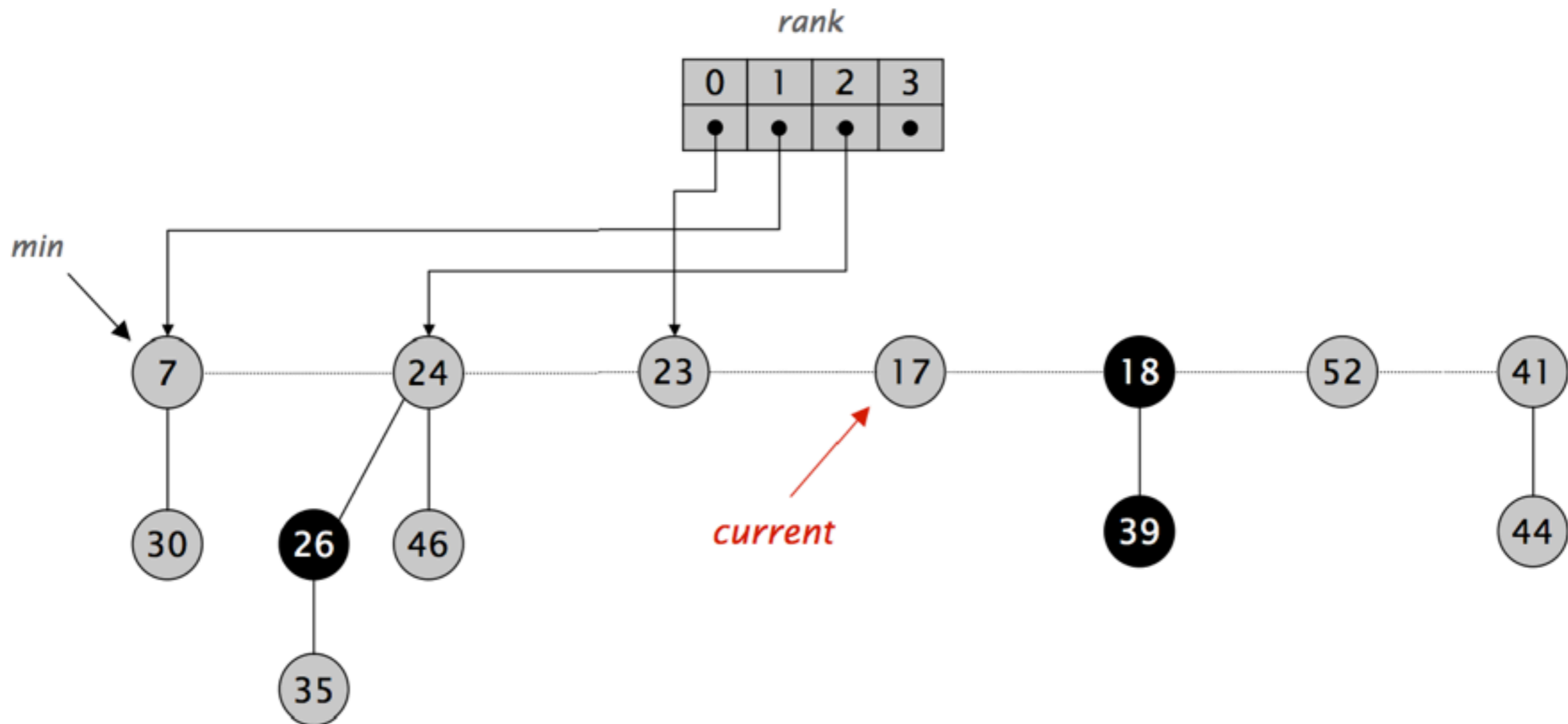
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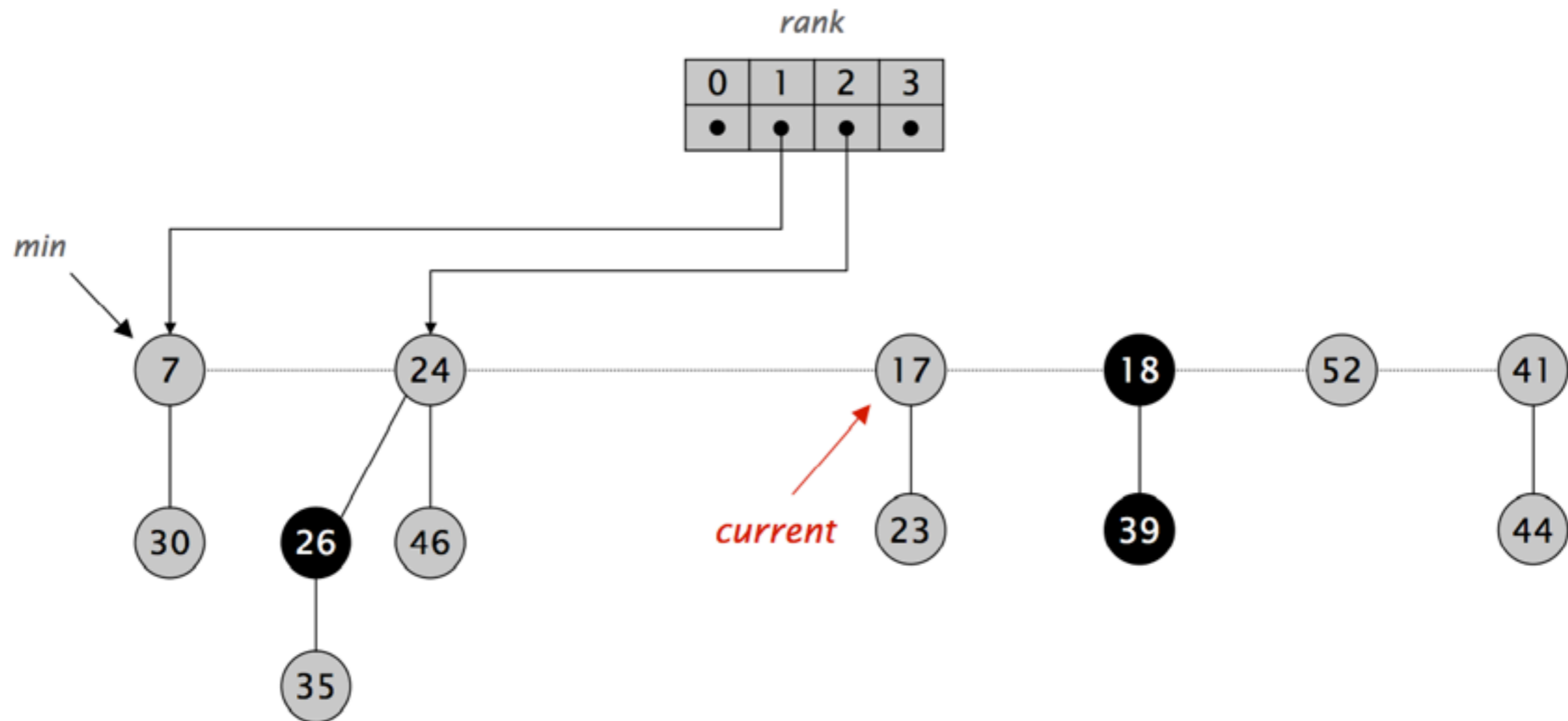
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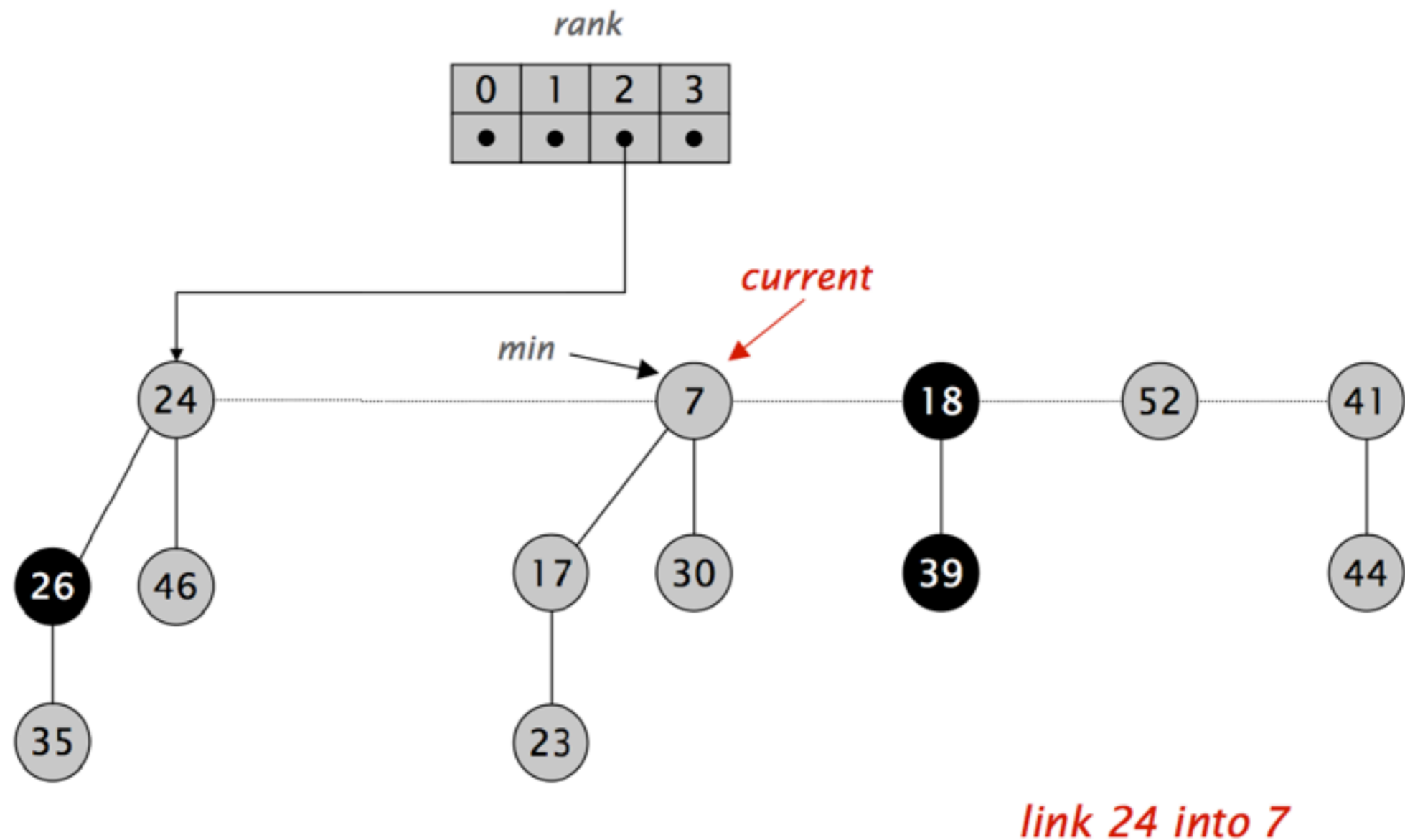


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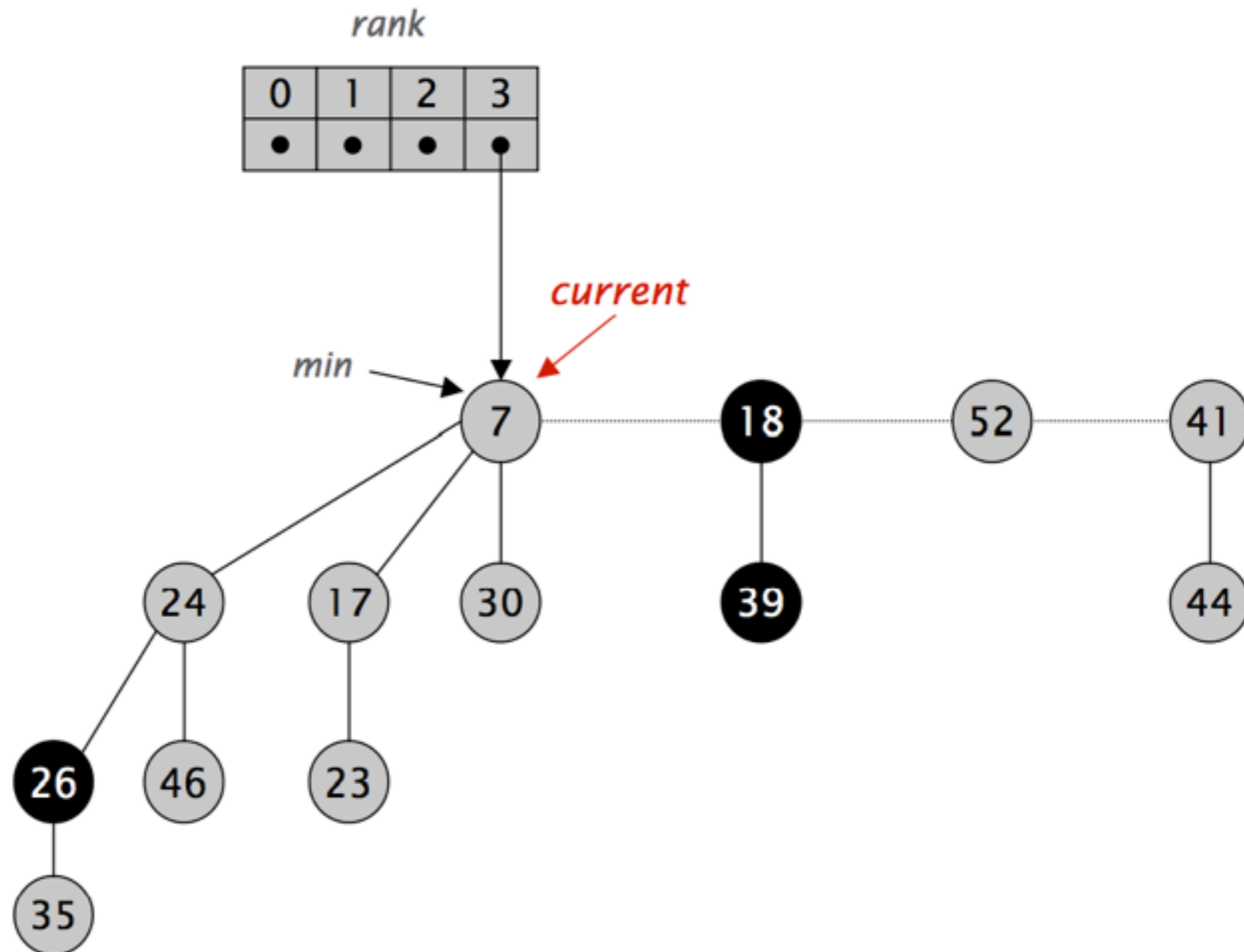
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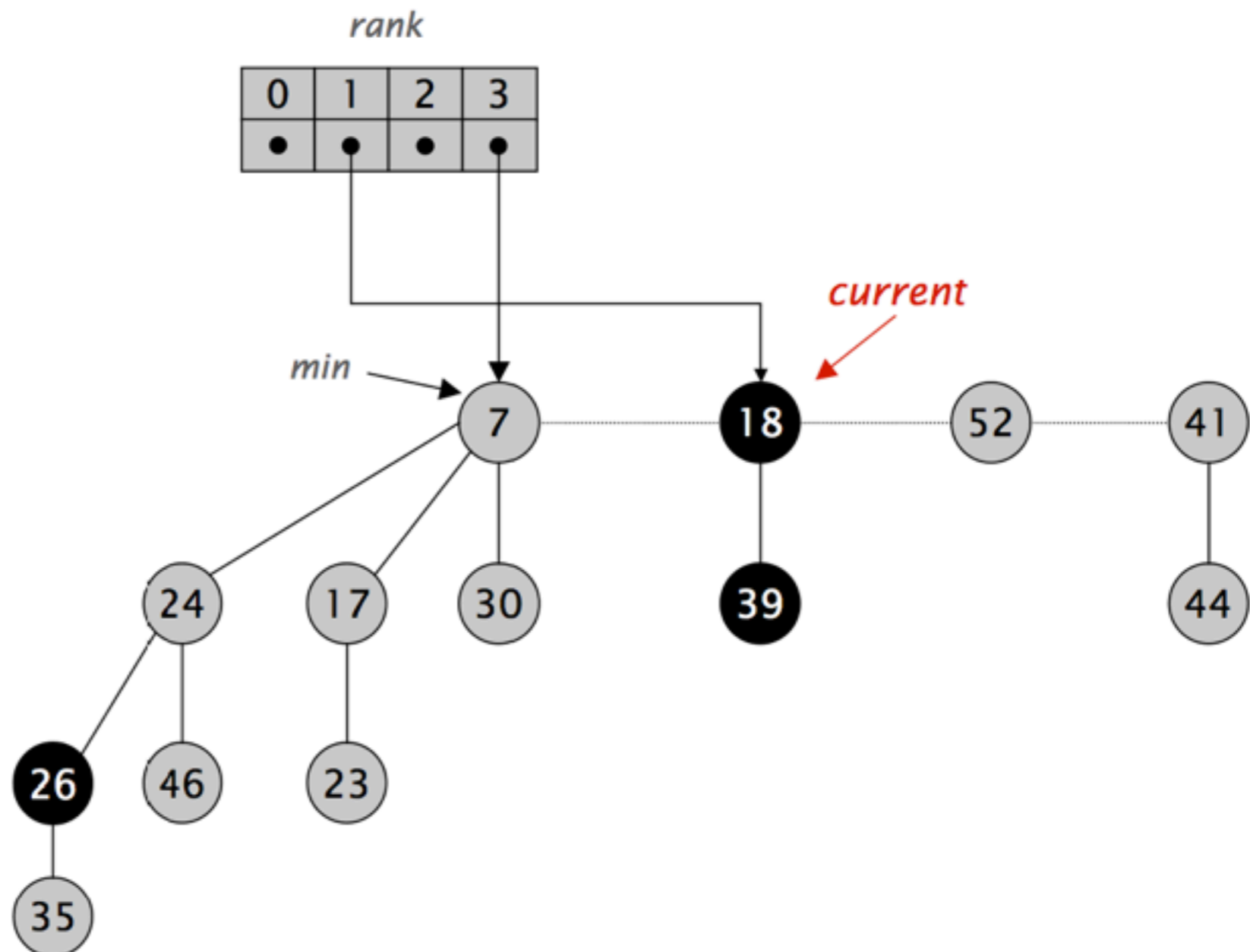
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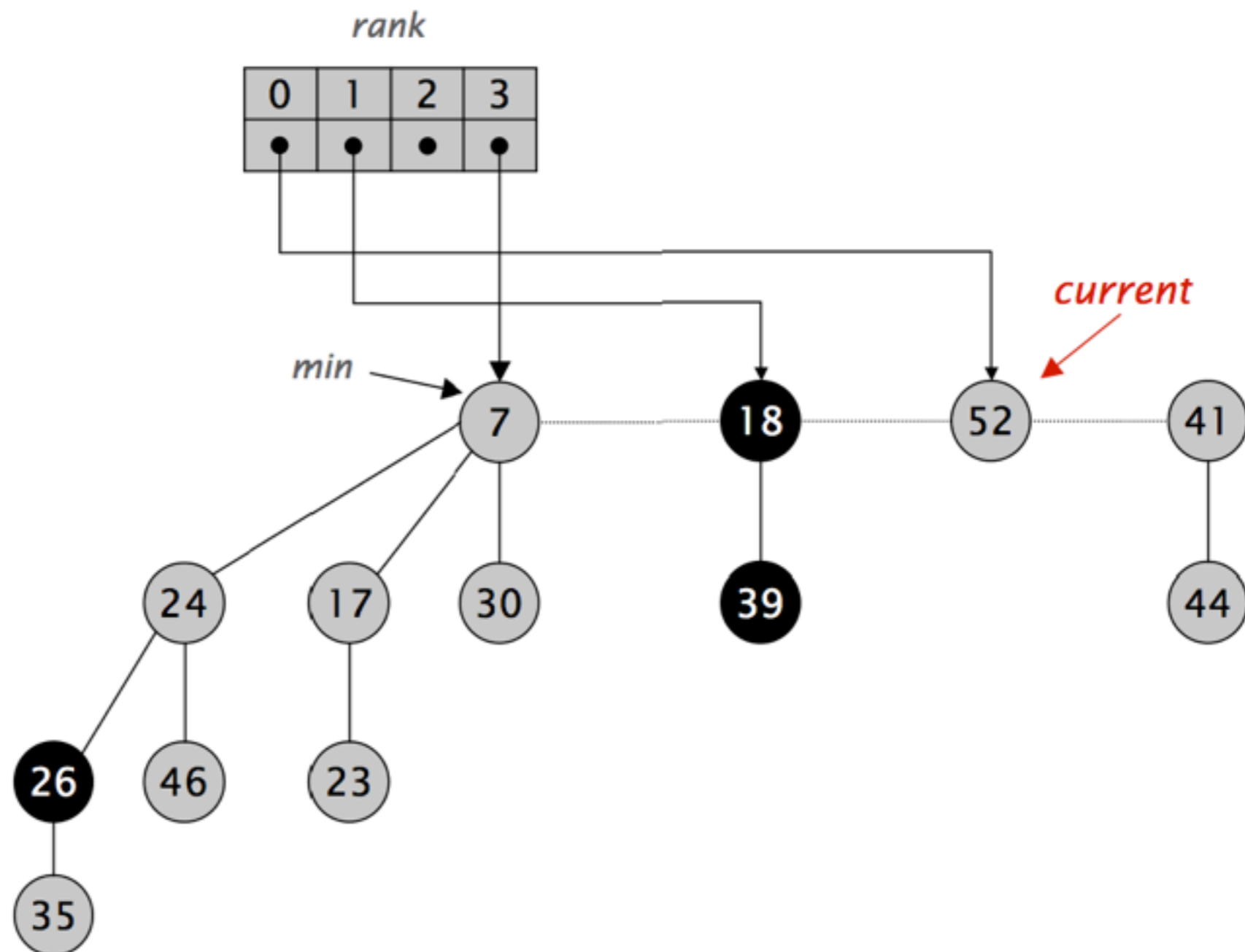
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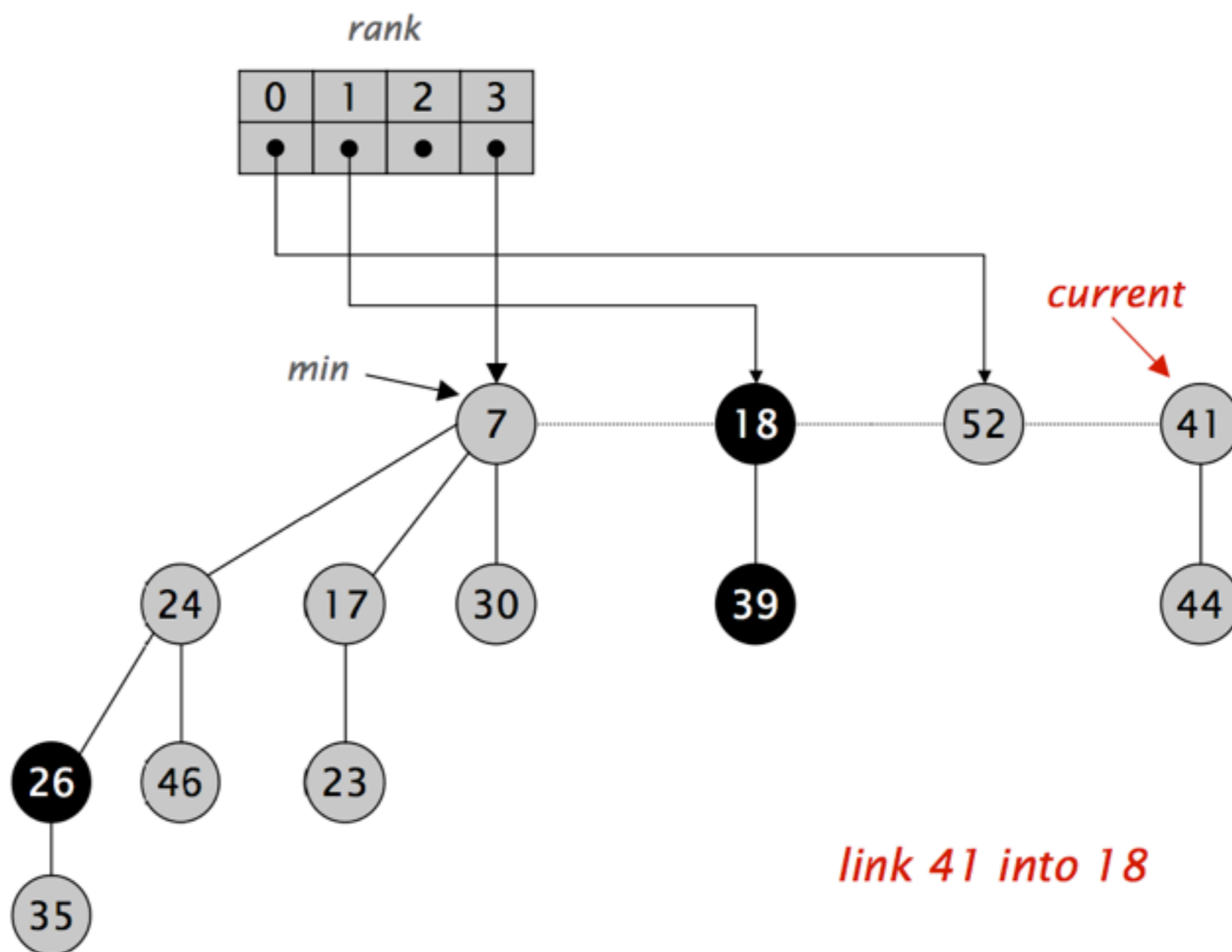
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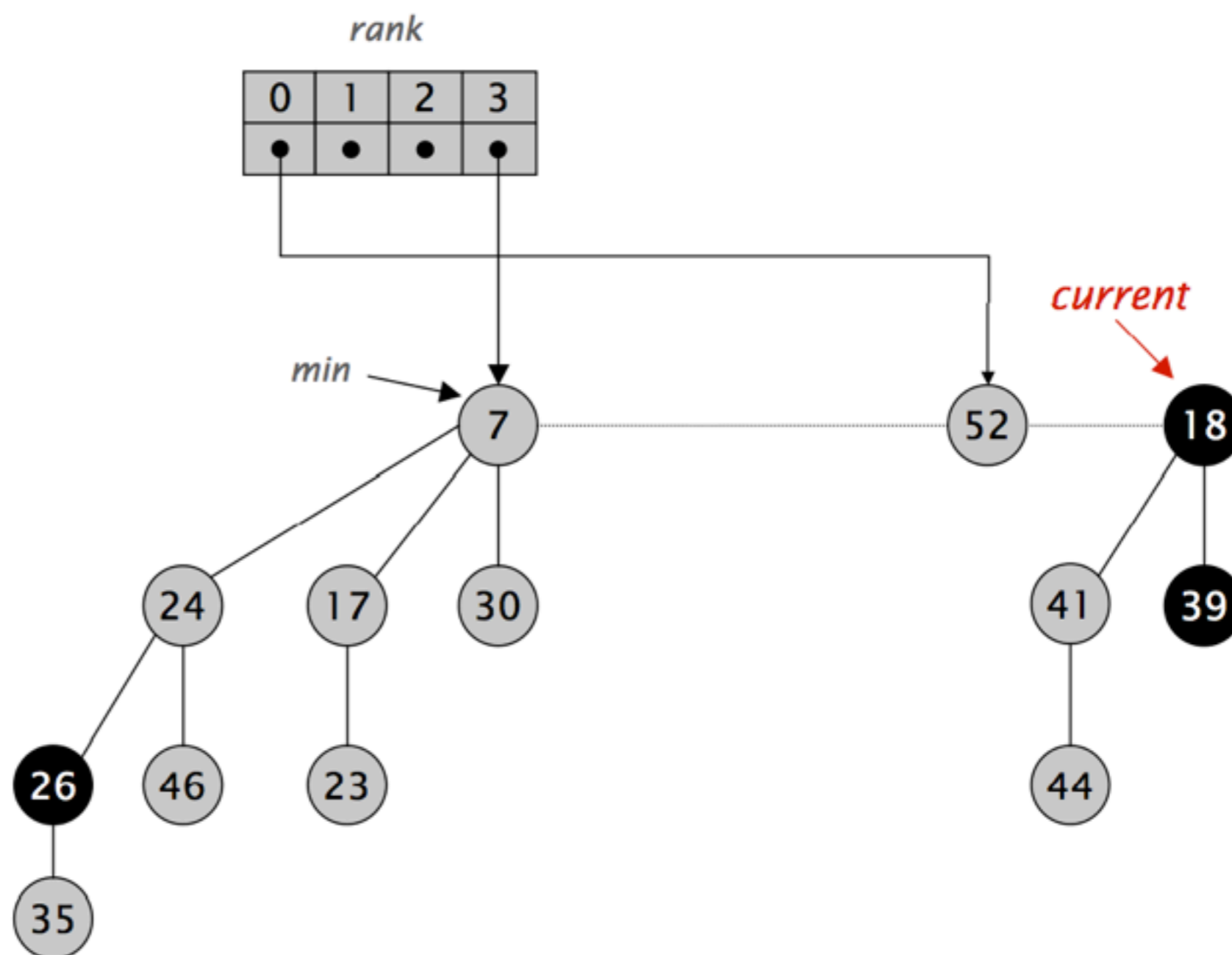
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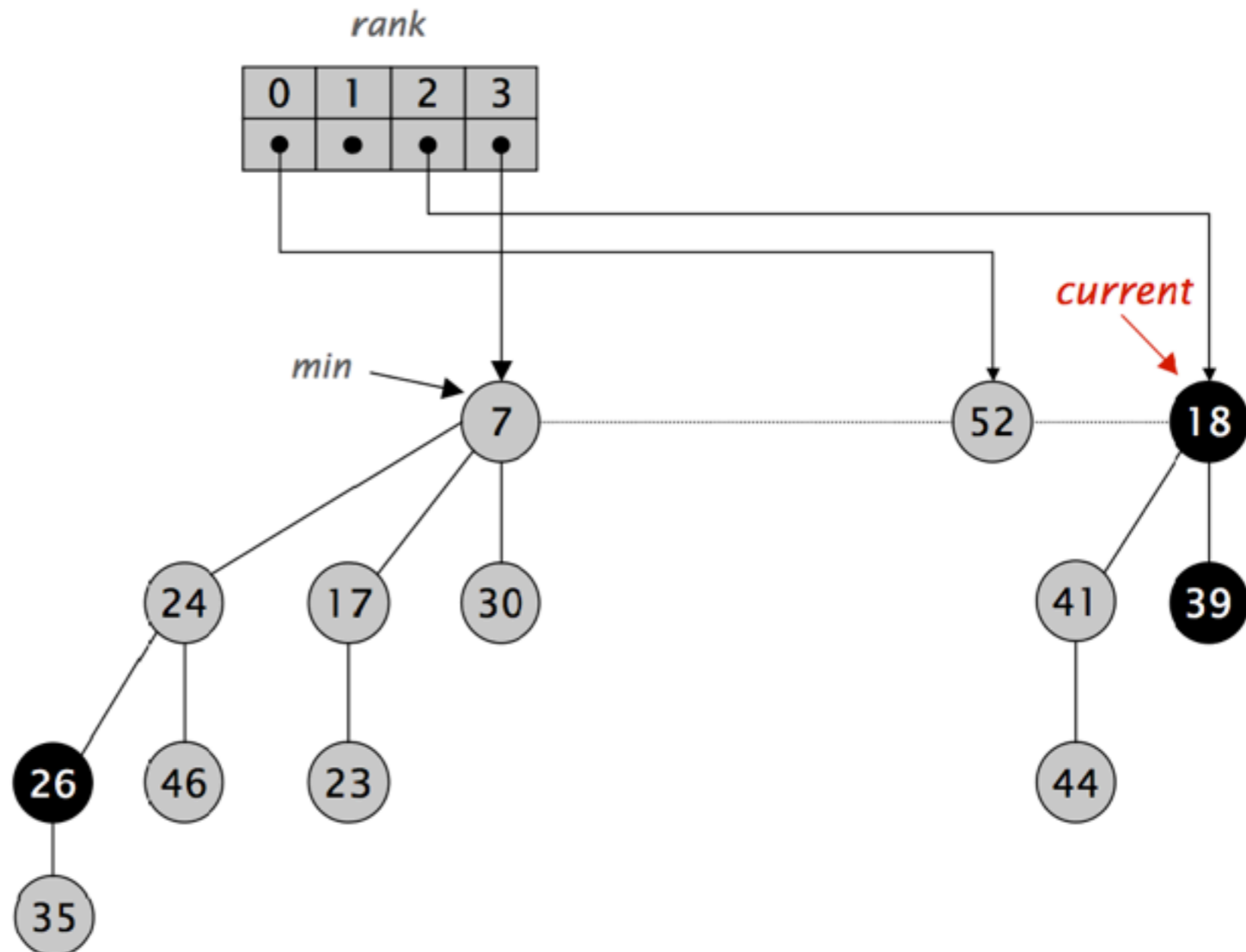
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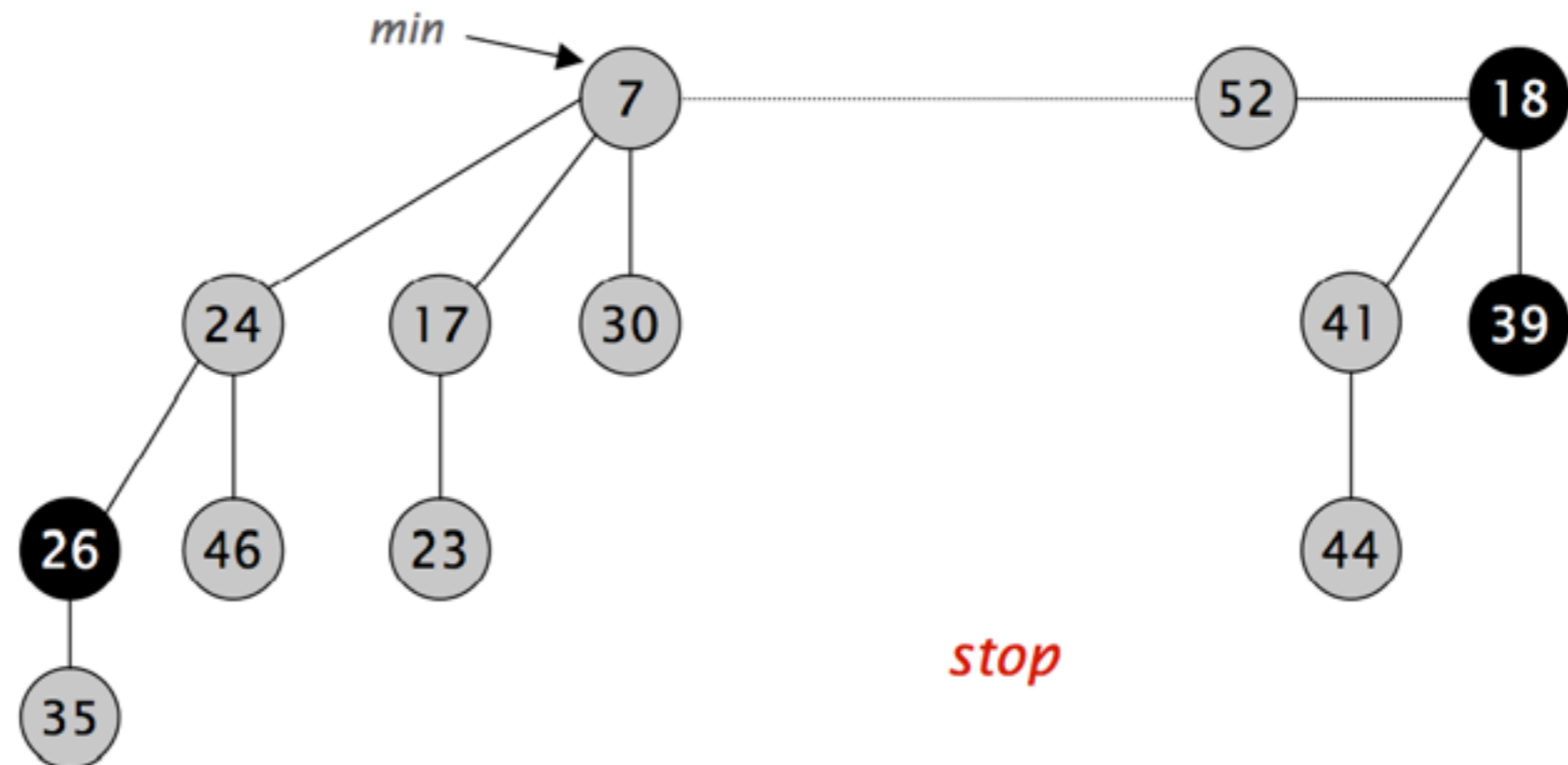
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Fibonacci Heaps: Delete Min Analysis

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potential function

Actual cost. $O(\text{rank}(H)) + O(\text{trees}(H))$

- $O(\text{rank}(H))$ to meld min's children into root list.
- $O(\text{rank}(H)) + O(\text{trees}(H))$ to update min.
- $O(\text{rank}(H)) + O(\text{trees}(H))$ to consolidate trees.

Change in potential. $O(\text{rank}(H)) - \text{trees}(H)$

- $\text{trees}(H') \leq \text{rank}(H) + 1$ since no two trees have same rank.
- $\Delta\Phi(H) \leq \text{rank}(H) + 1 - \text{trees}(H)$.

Amortized cost. $O(\text{rank}(H))$

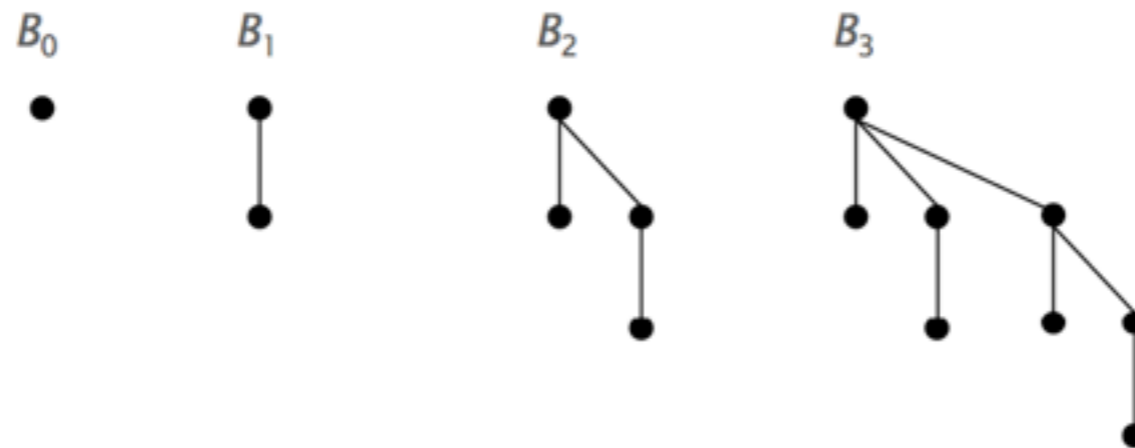
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Q. Is amortized cost of $O(\text{rank}(H))$ good?

A. Yes, if only *insert* and *delete-min* operations.

- In this case, all trees are binomial trees.
- This implies $\text{rank}(H) \leq \lg n$.

we only link trees of equal rank



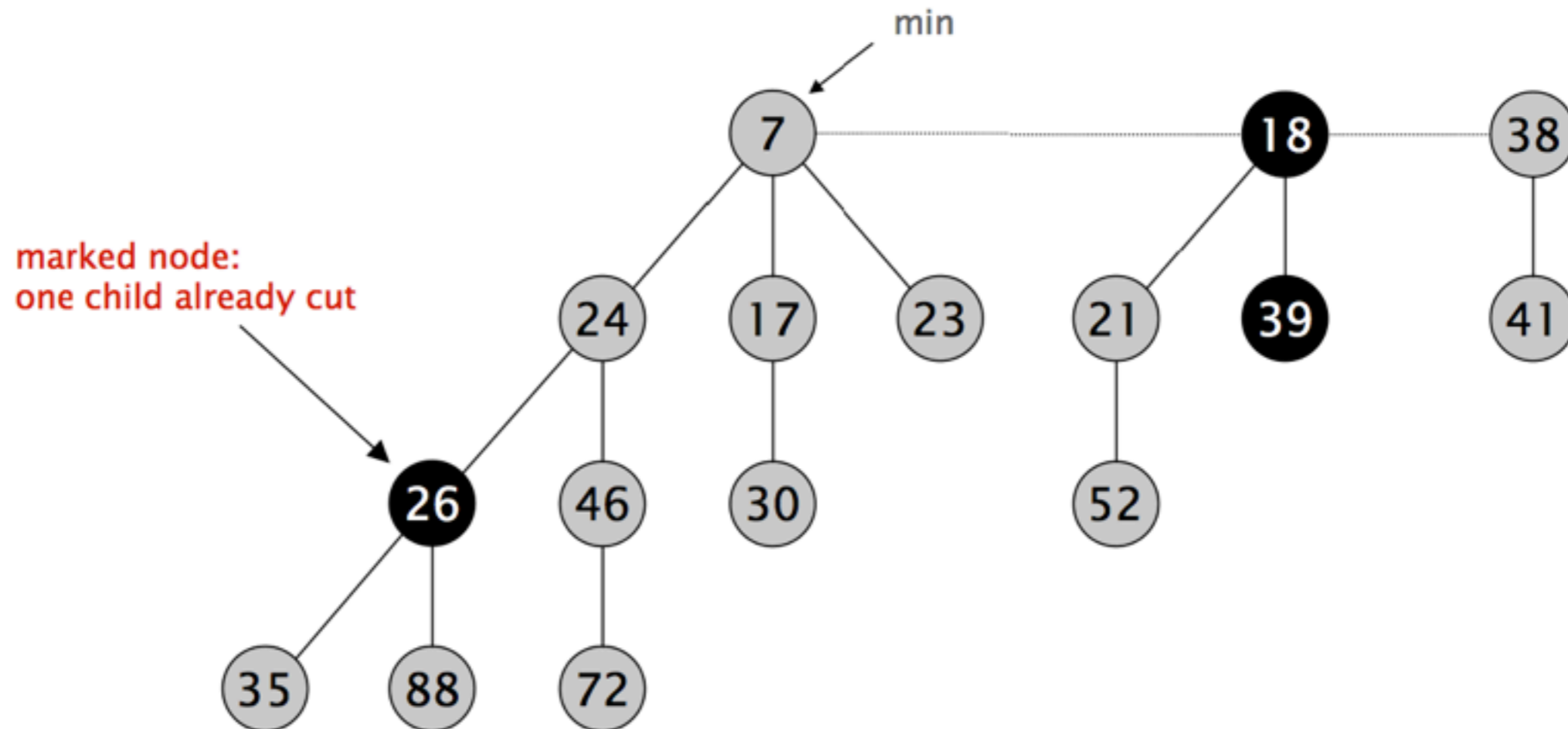
A. Yes, we'll implement *decrease-key* so that $\text{rank}(H) = O(\log n)$.

Decrease Key

Fibonacci Heaps: Decrease Key

Intuition for decreasing the key of node x .

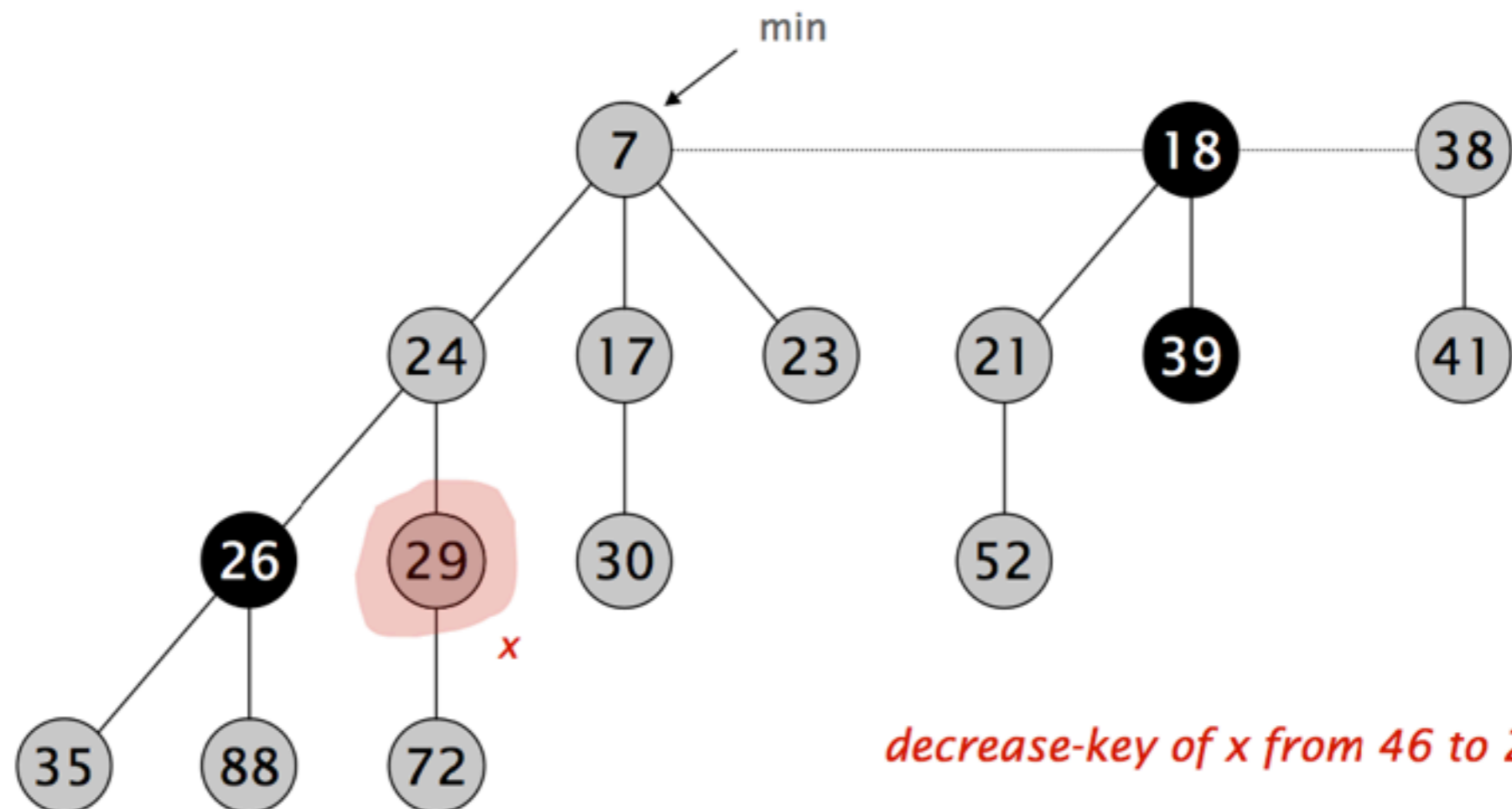
- If heap-order is not violated, just decrease the key of x .
- Otherwise, cut tree rooted at x and meld into root list.
- To keep trees flat: as soon as a node has its second child cut, cut it off and meld into root list (and unmark it).



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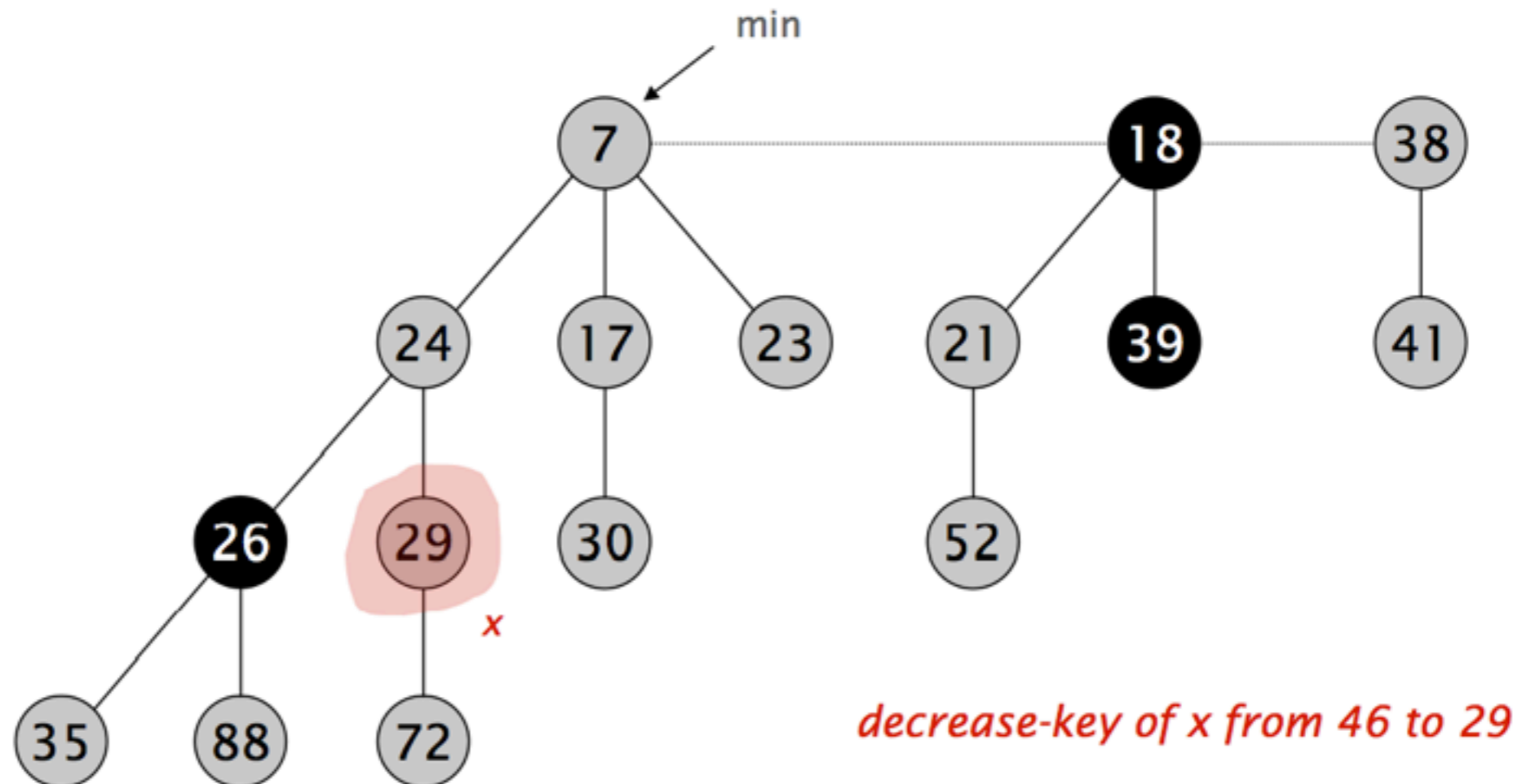
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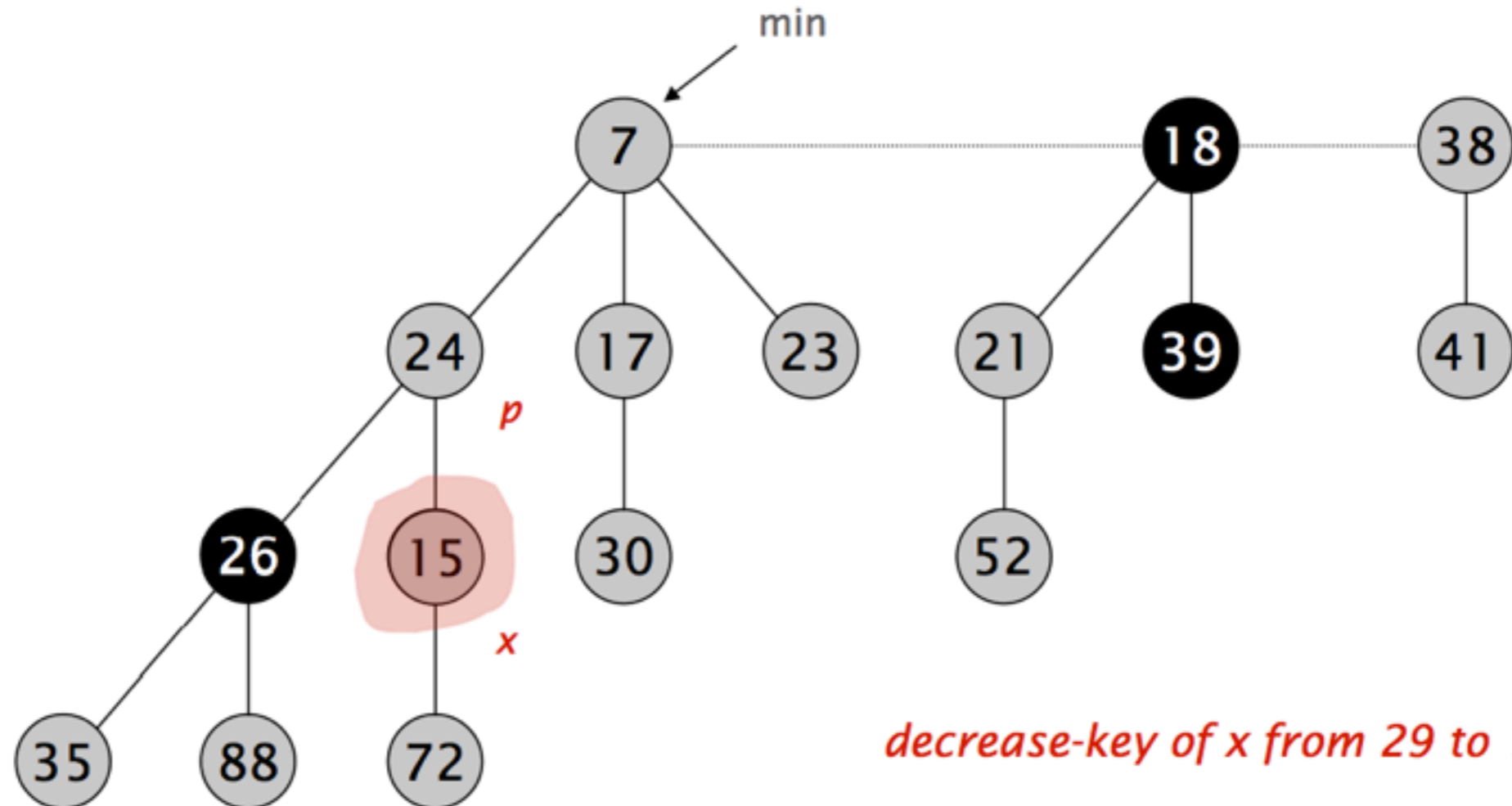
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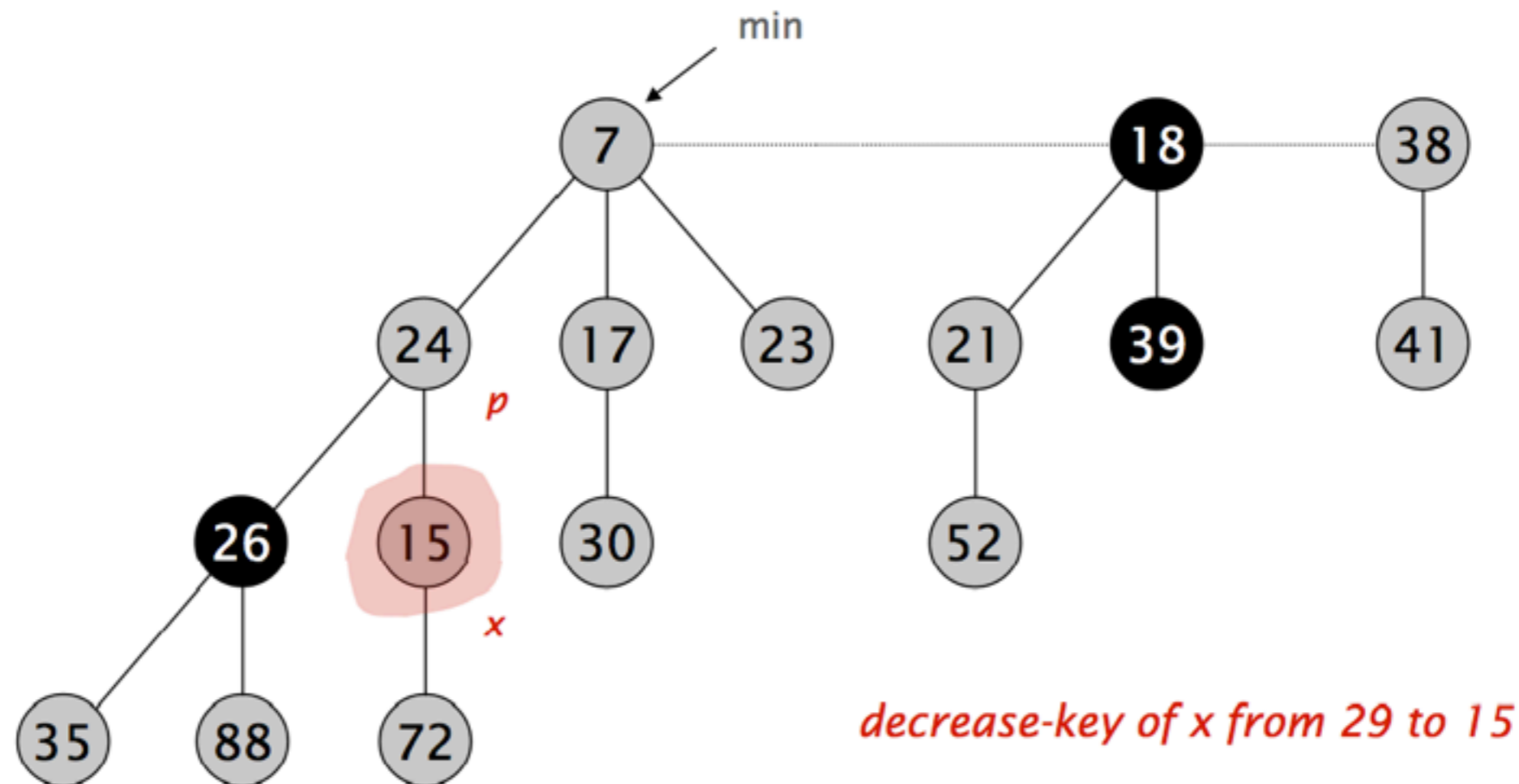
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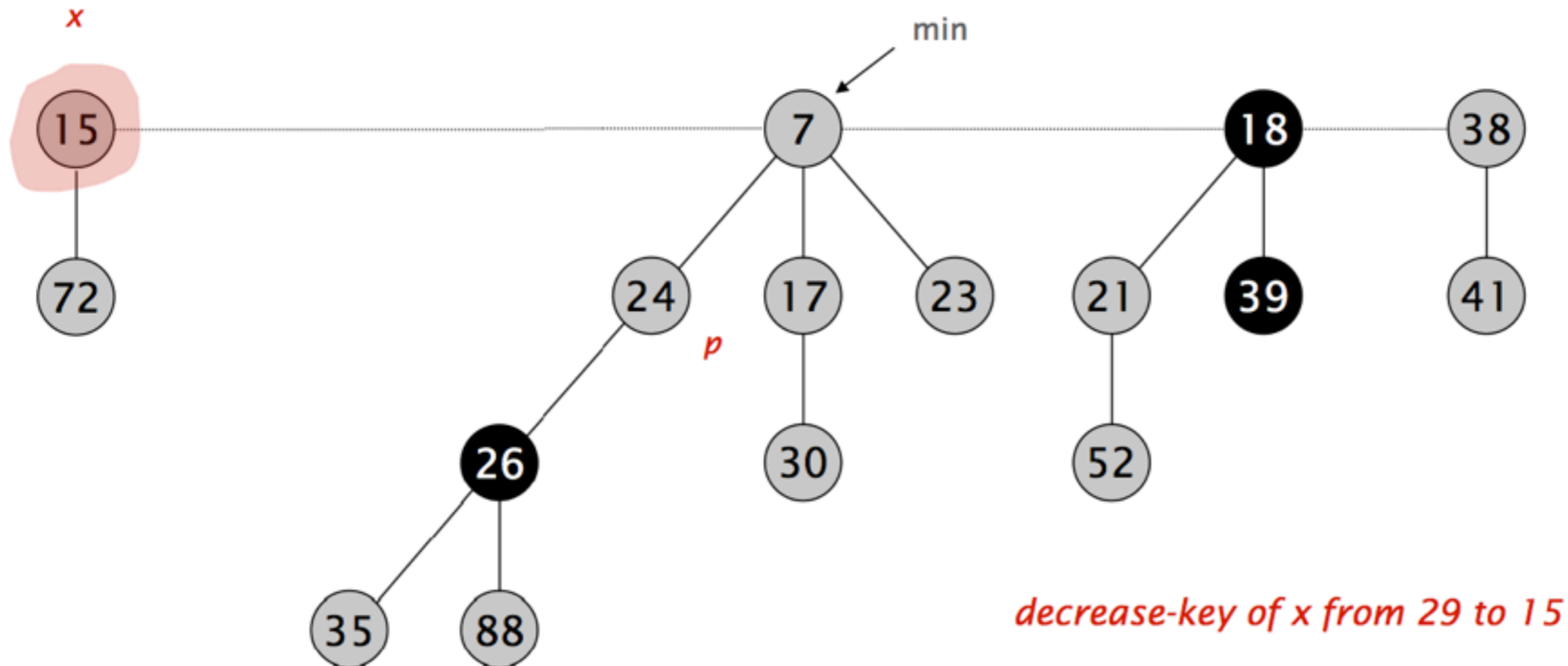
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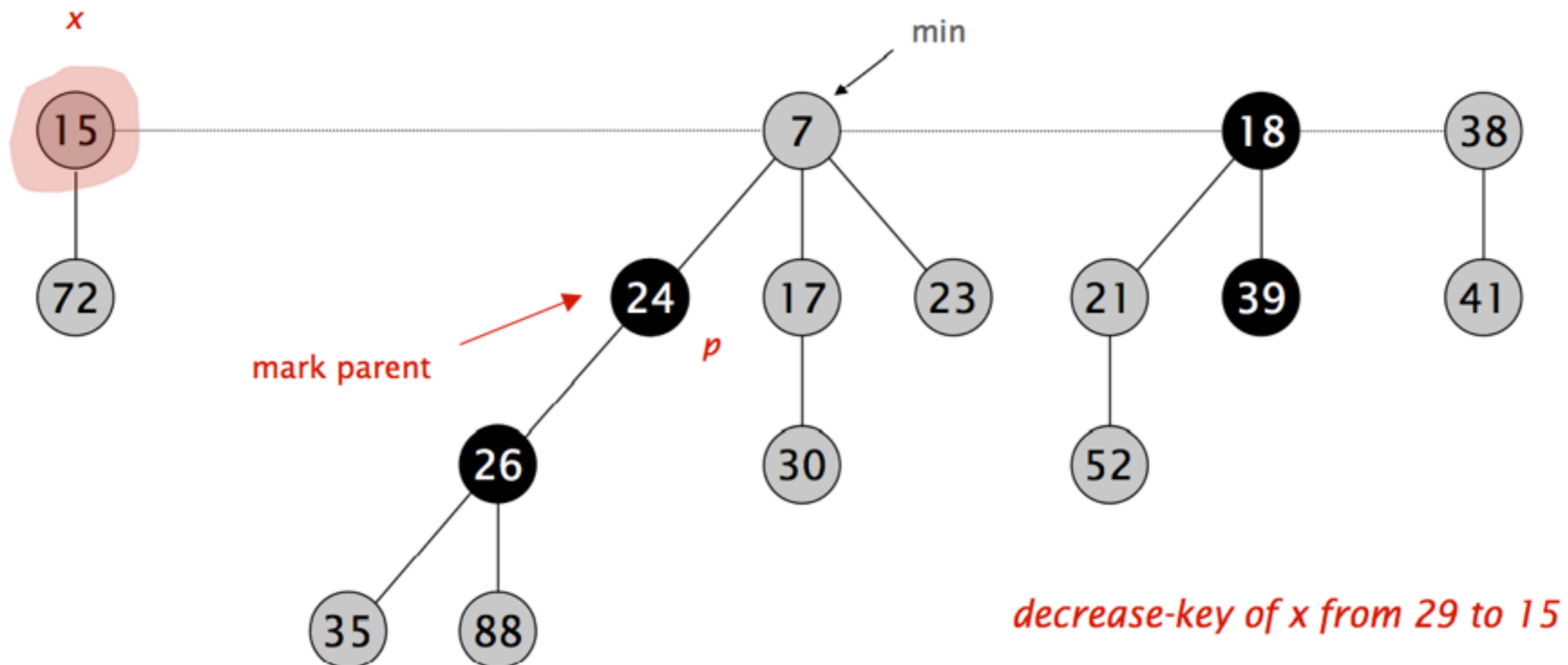
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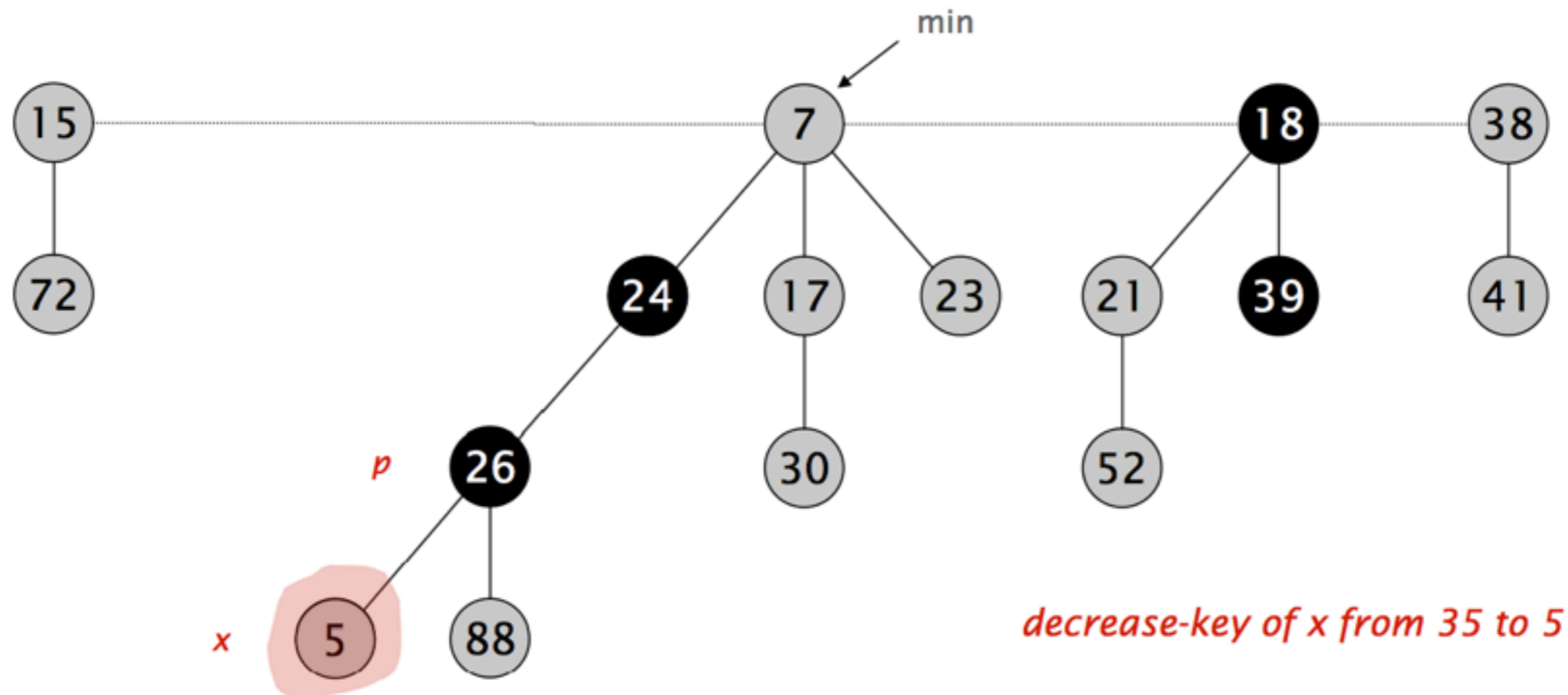
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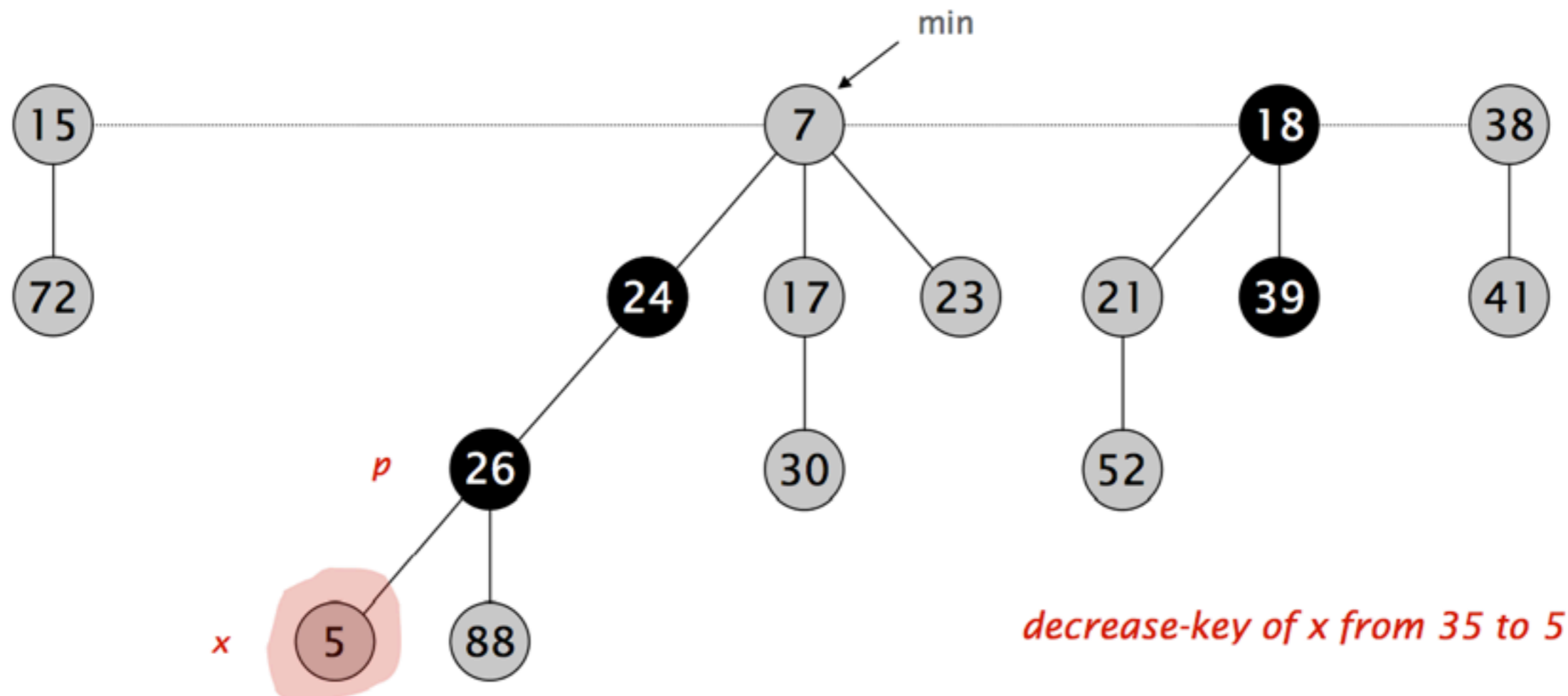
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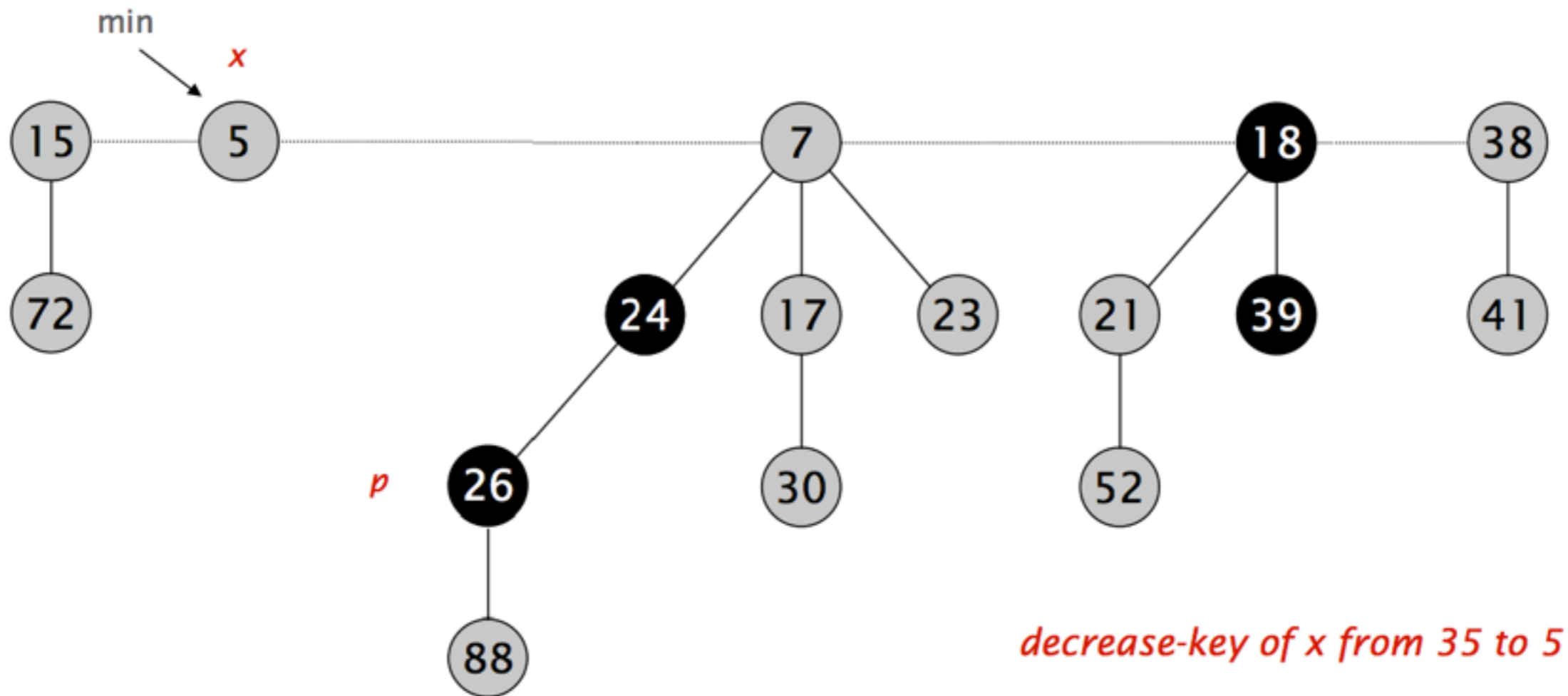
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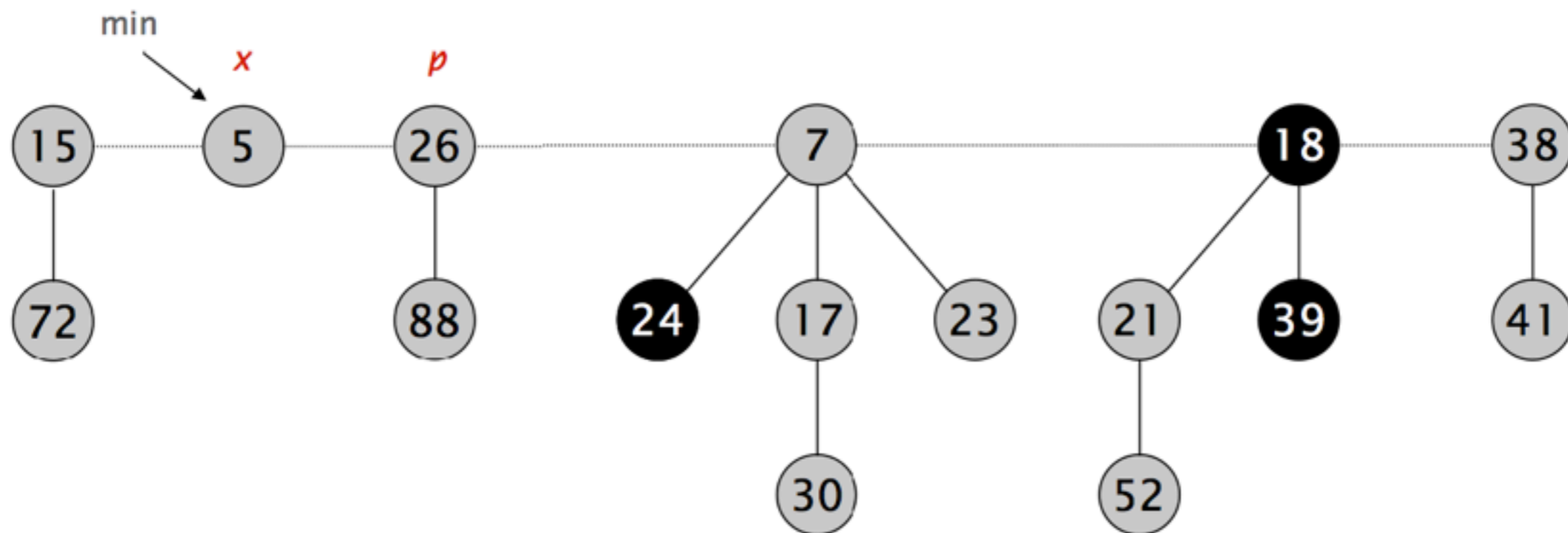
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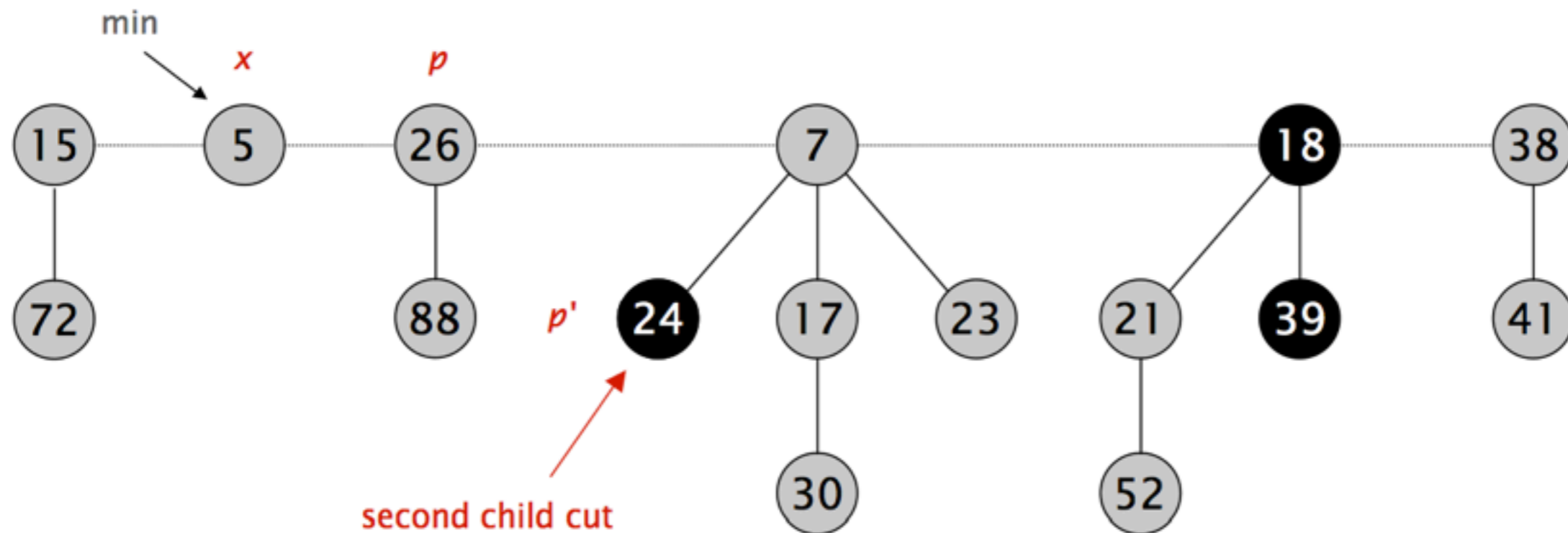


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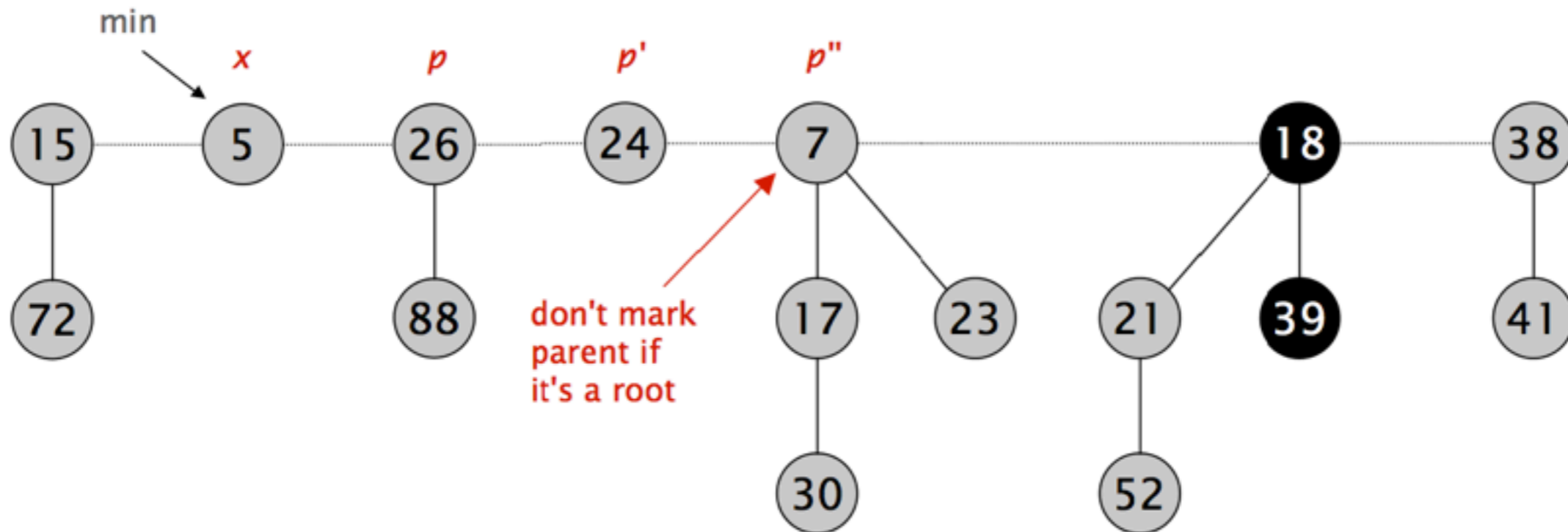


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Fibonacci Heaps: Decrease Key Analysis

Decrease-key.

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potential function

Actual cost. $O(c)$

- $O(1)$ time for changing the key.
- $O(1)$ time for each of c cuts, plus melding into root list.

Change in potential. $O(1) - c$

- $\text{trees}(H') = \text{trees}(H) + c.$
- $\text{marks}(H') \leq \text{marks}(H) - c + 2.$
- $\Delta\Phi \leq c + 2 \cdot (-c + 2) = 4 - c.$

Amortized cost. $O(1)$

Analysis

Analysis Summary

Insert. $O(1)$
Delete-min. $O(\text{rank}(H))$ †
Decrease-key. $O(1)$ †

† amortized

Key lemma. $\text{rank}(H) = O(\log n)$.

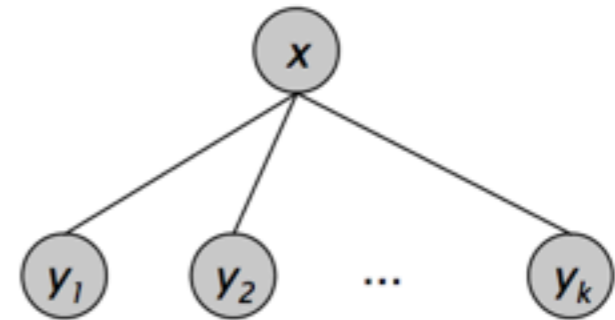


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Fibonacci Heaps: Bounding the Rank

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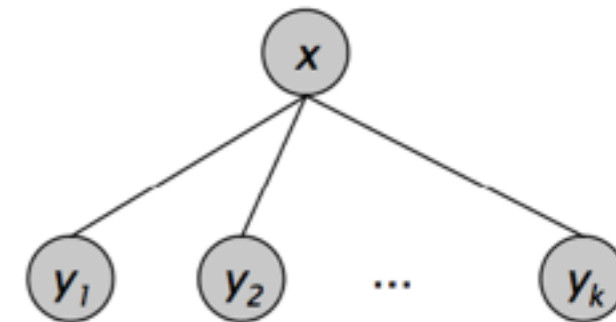
Pf.

- When y_i was linked into x , x had at least $i-1$ children y_1, \dots, y_{i-1} .
- Since only trees of equal rank are linked, at that time $\text{rank}(y_i) = \text{rank}(x) \geq i-1$.
- Since then, y_i has lost at most one child.
- Thus, right now $\text{rank}(y_i) \geq i-2$. ■ ↖ or y_i would have been cut

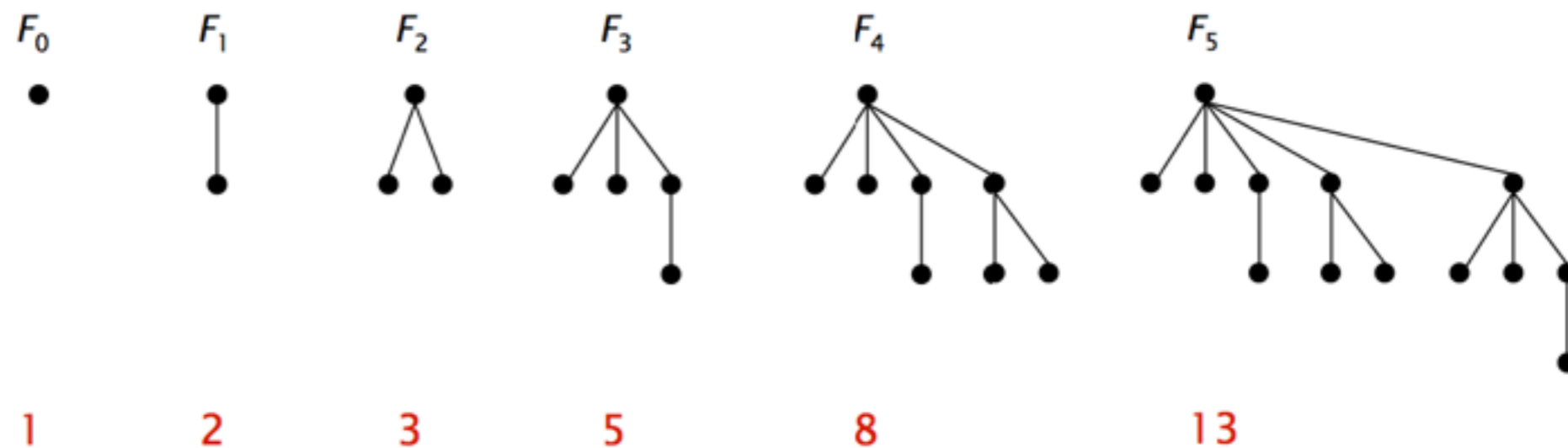
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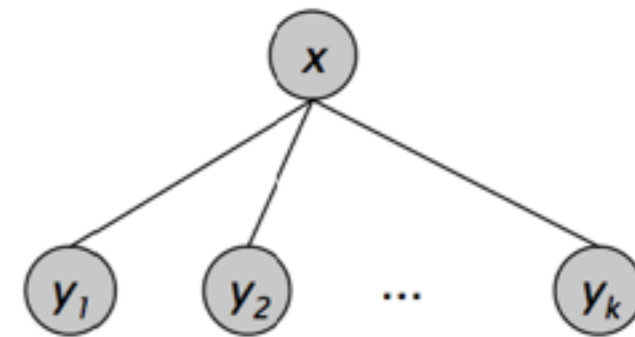
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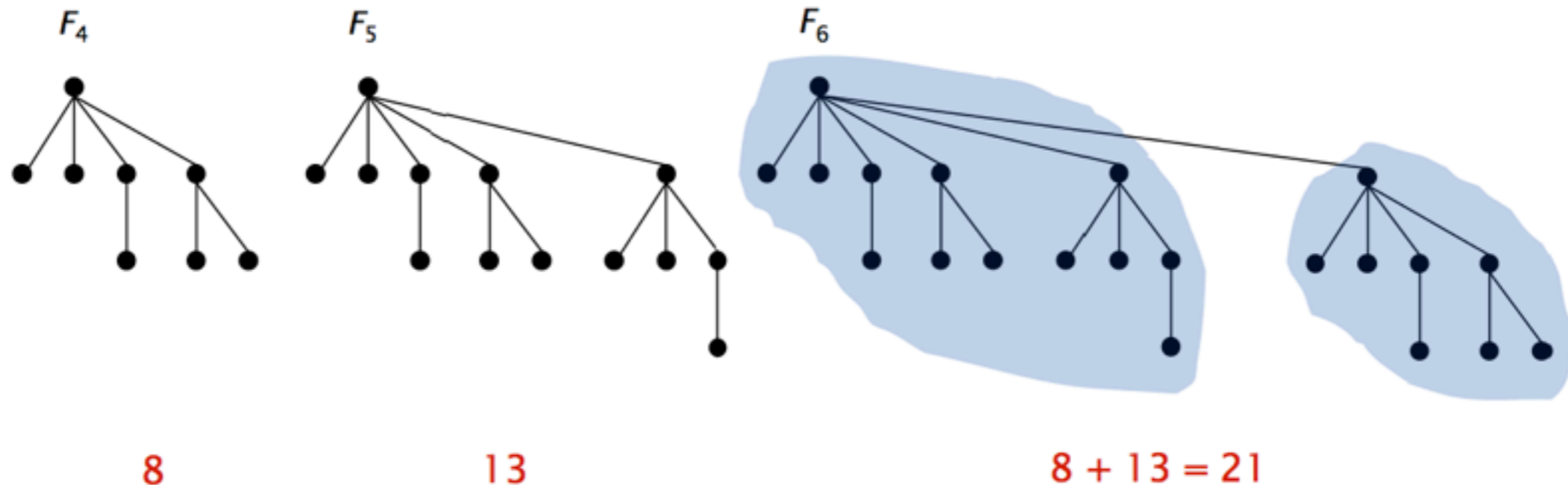
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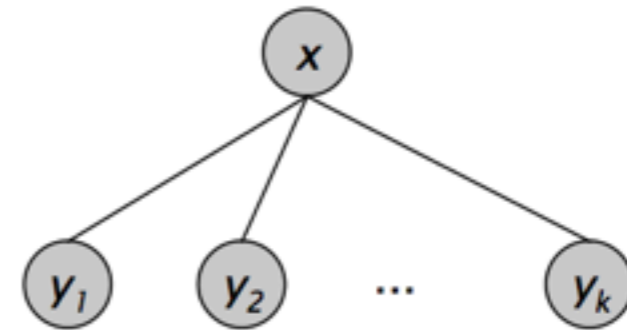
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golden ratio

Fibonacci Numbers

Fibonacci Numbers: Exponential Growth

Def. The Fibonacci sequence is: 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, ...

$$F_k = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } k = 0 \\ 2 & \text{if } k = 1 \\ F_{k-1} + F_{k-2} & \text{if } k \geq 2 \end{cases} \quad \text{slightly non-standard definition}$$

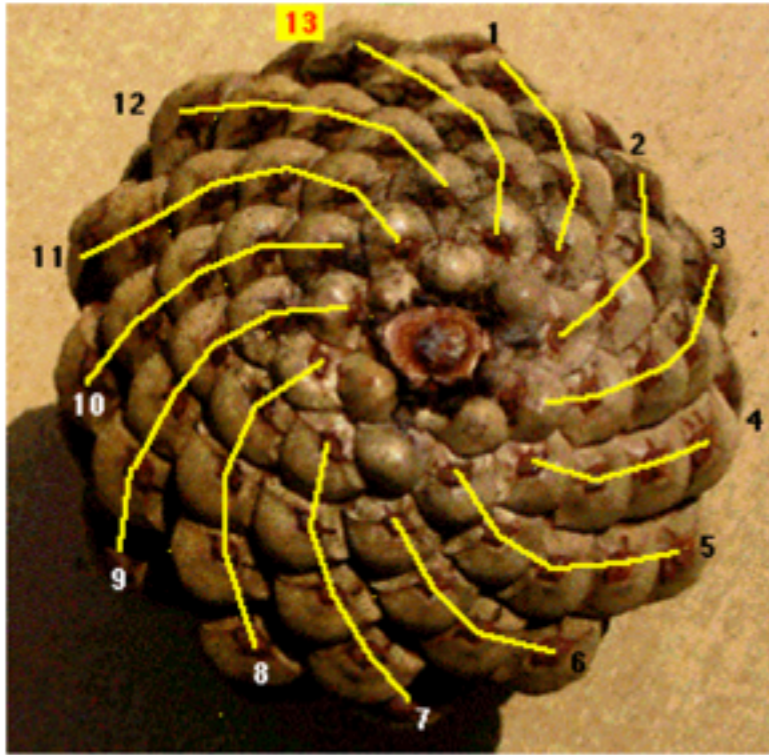
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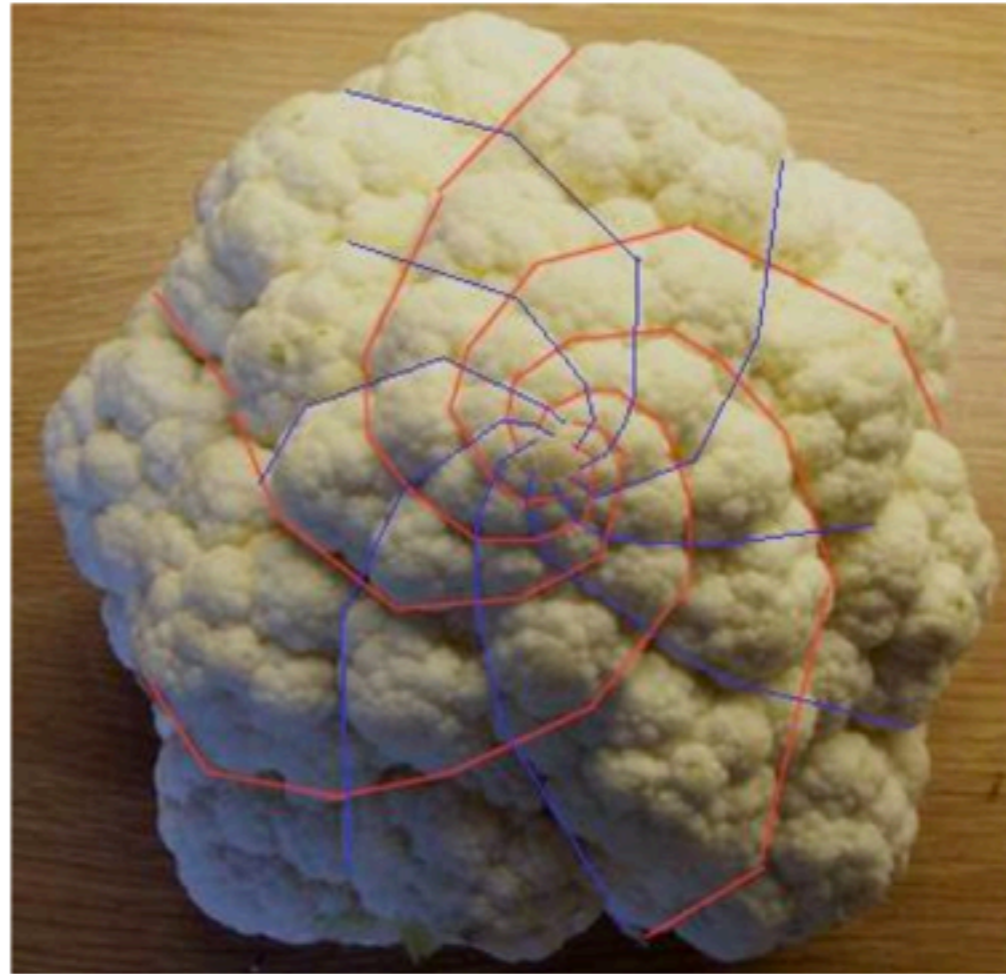
- Base cases: $F_0 = 1 \geq 1$, $F_1 = 2 \geq \phi$.
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$$\begin{aligned} F_{k+2} &= F_k + F_{k+1} && \text{(definition)} \\ &\geq \phi^k + \phi^{k+1} && \text{(inductive hypothesis)} \\ &= \phi^k (1 + \phi) && \text{(algebra)} \\ &= \phi^k (\phi^2) && (\phi^2 = \phi + 1) \\ &= \phi^{k+2} && \text{(algebra)} \end{aligned}$$

Fibonacci Numbers and Nature



pinecone



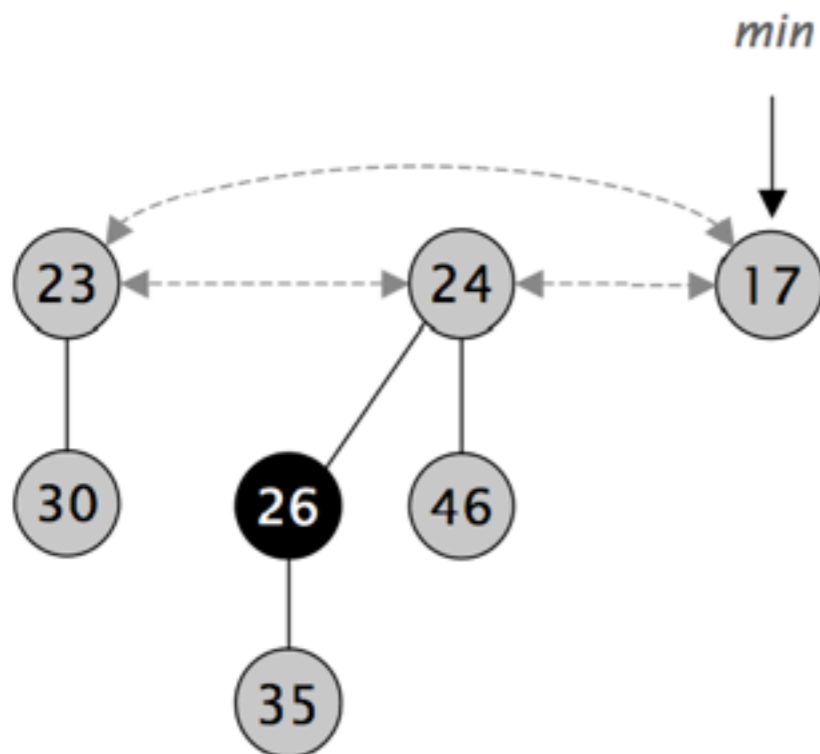
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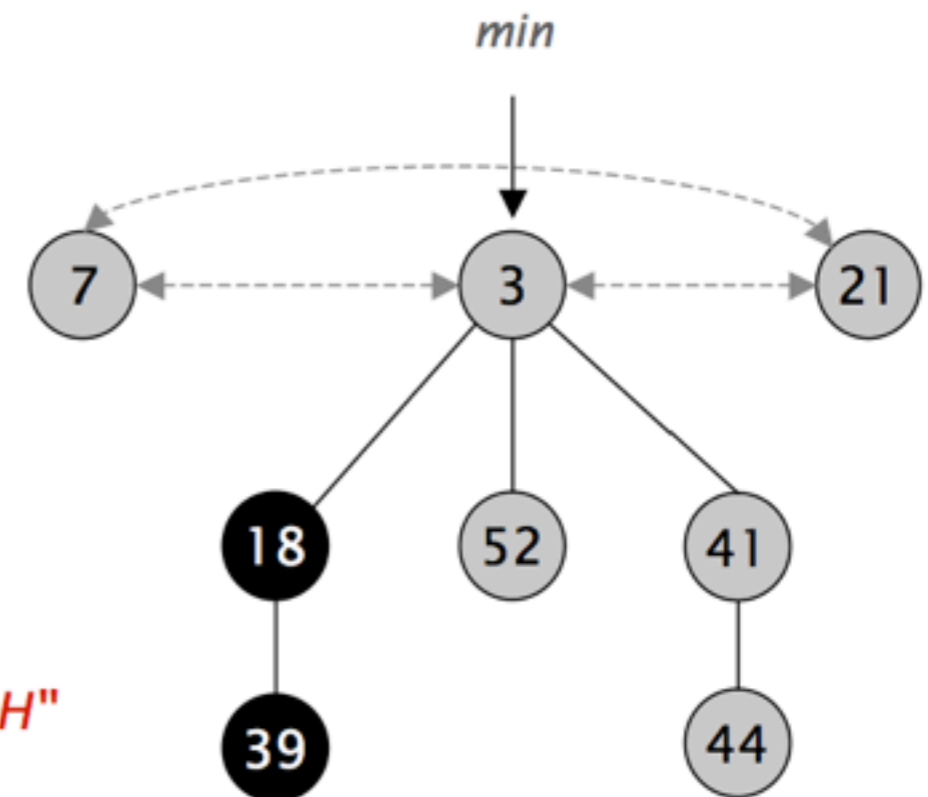
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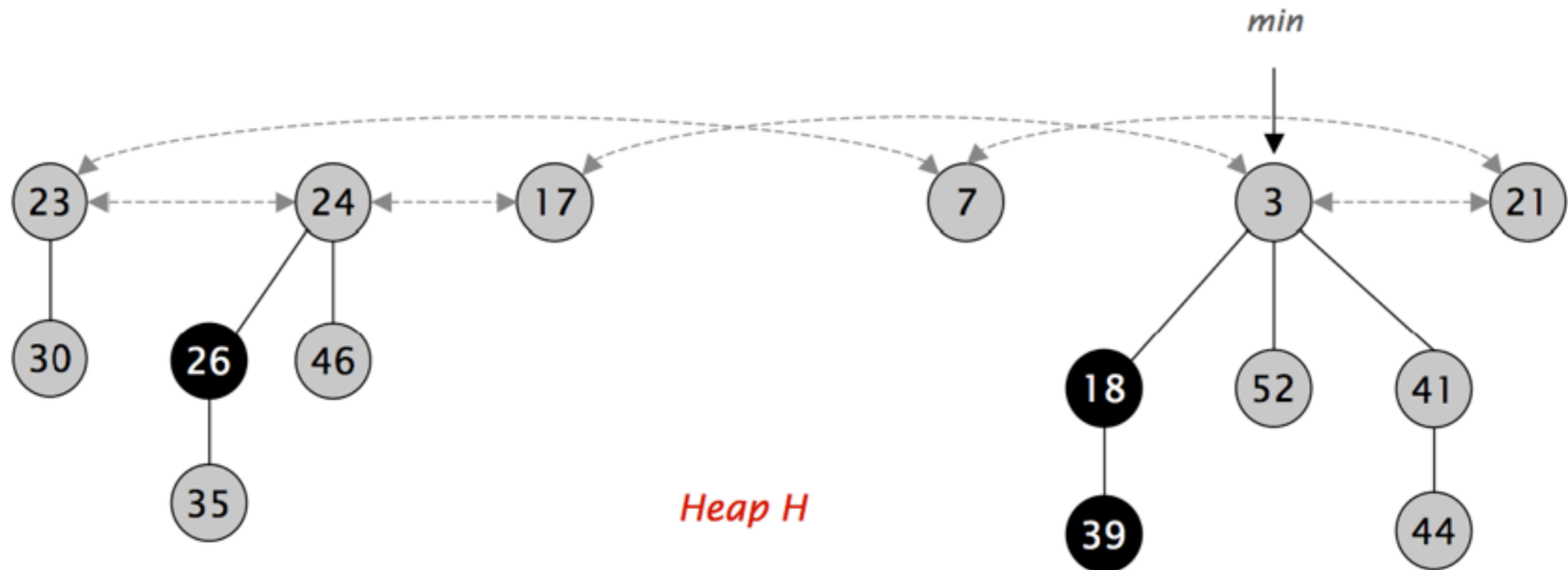


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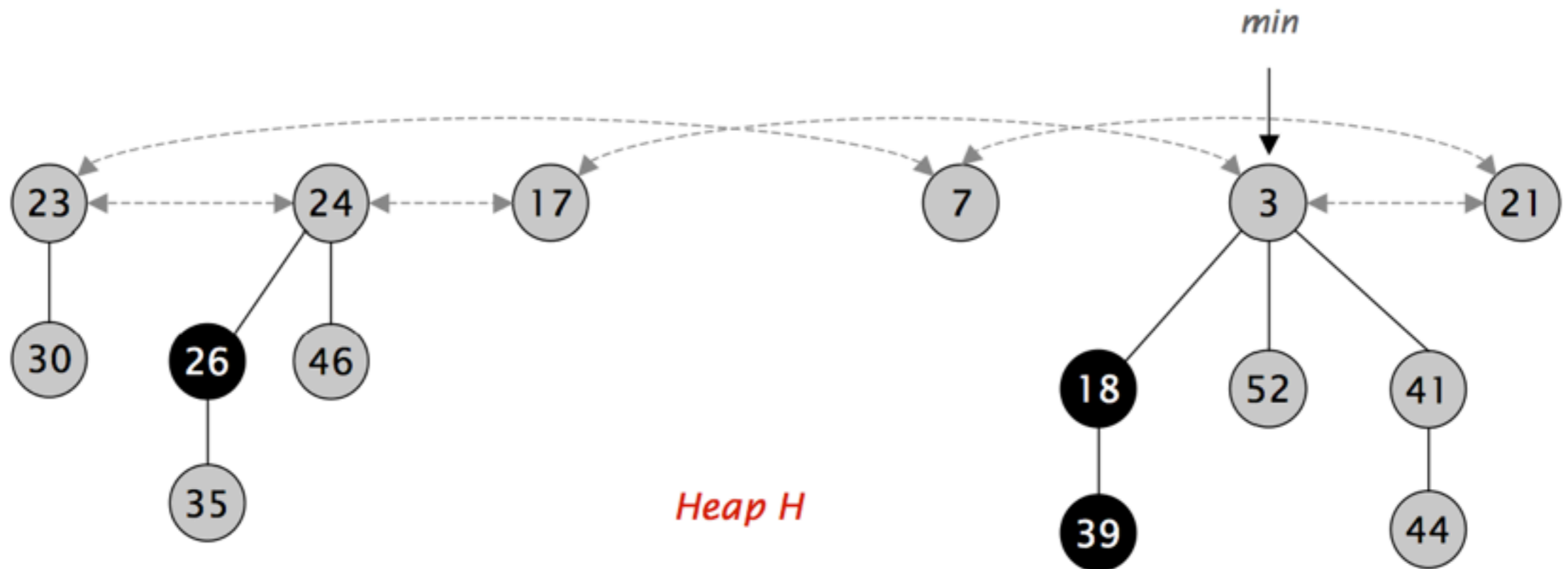
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Fibonacci Heaps: Delete

Delete node x .

- *decrease-key* of x to $-\infty$.
- *delete-min* element in heap.

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On Complicated Algorithms

"Once you succeed in writing the programs for [these] complicated algorithms, they usually run extremely fast. The computer doesn't need to understand the algorithm, its task is only to run the programs."



R. E. Tarjan