Priority Queue

What is that?
Implementation with linked list with O(n) behaviour
The Heap (O(log(n))
An implementation using an array
Your mission …

Priority queue

- Store a collection of prioritized elements
  - Elements are comparable
- Allow insertion of an element
- Can only remove the element with highest priority
  - Comes first in order

```
Q.insert(e)
e = Q.removeMin()
Q.size()
Q.isEmpty()
Q.min()
```

We present 3 implementations

Example applications of a priority queue

- Dispatching processes in a computer
- Hospital waiting lists
- Standby passengers for a flight
- Queuing at call centres
- Internal data structure for another algorithm (graph algorithm)
- …

How can we compare objects?

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Two examples on ***comparing things*** … …

How can we compare objects?

An example

This is a Vertex

```
import java.util.*;

public class Vertex implements Comparable<Vertex> {

    int index, degree, colour, saturation, nebDeg;
    boolean[] domain;

    public Vertex (int index,int degree) {
        this.index  = index;
        this.degree = degree;
        nebDeg      = 0;
    }
```

How can we compare objects?

An example

This is a Comparator for vertices

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```
import java.util.*;

public class MCRComparator implements Comparator {

    public int compare(Object o1, Object o2){
        Vertex u = (Vertex) o1;
        Vertex v = (Vertex) o2;
        if (u.degree < v.degree ||
            u.degree == v.degree && u.nebDeg < v.nebDeg ||
            u.degree == v.degree && u.nebDeg == v.nebDeg && u.index > v.index) return 1;
        return -1;
    }
    //
    // to sort vertices by decreasing degree, tie breaking on neighbourhood degree (nebDeg)
    //
}
```

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An example

Using the comparator to sort an array of Vertex

```
boolean conflicts(int v,ArrayList<Integer> colourClass){
    for (int i=0;i<colourClass.size();i++){
        int w = colourClass.get(i);
        if (A[v][w] == 1) return true;
    }
    return false;
}


void orderVertices(ArrayList<Integer> colOrd){
    Vertex[] V = new Vertex[n];
    for (int i=0;i<n;i++) V[i] = new Vertex(i,degree[i]);
    for (int i=0;i<n;i++)
        for (int j=0;j<n;j++)
            if (A[i][j] == 1) V[i].nebDeg = V[i].nebDeg + degree[j];
    if (style == 1) Arrays.sort(V);
    if (style == 2) minWidthOrder(V);
    if (style == 3) Arrays.sort(V,new MCRComparator());
    for (Vertex v : V) colOrd.add(v.index);
}

 void minWidthOrder(Vertex[] V){
    ArrayList<Vertex> L = new ArrayList<Vertex>(n);
    Stack<Vertex> S = new Stack<Vertex>();
    for (Vertex v : V) L.add(v);
    while (!L.isEmpty()){
        Vertex v = L.get(0);
        for (Vertex u : L) if (u.degree < v.degree) v = u;
        S.push(v); L.remove(v);
        for (Vertex u : L) if (A[u.index][v.index] == 1) u.degree--;
    }
    int k = 0;
    while (!S.isEmpty()) V[k++] = S.pop();
```

How can we compare objects?

An example

Another example: a Car

```
public class Car {

    String make, model;

    public Car(String s1,String s2){
        make = s1; model = s2;
    }

    public String make(){return make;}
    public String model(){return model;}

    public String toString(){return make +" "+ model;}

}
```

How can we compare objects?

An example

This is a CarComparator

```
import java.util.*;

public class CarComparator implements Comparator<Car> {

    public int compare(Car a,Car b){
        int c1 = a.make().compareTo(b.make());
        int c2 = a.model().compareTo(b.model());
        if (c1 == 0) return c2;
        return c1;
    }
    //
    // make is most significant
    //
}
```

How can we compare objects?

An example

Using the CarComparator

```
import java.util.*;

public class Test2 {

    public static void main(String args[]){

        TreeSet<Car> S = new TreeSet<Car>(new CarComparator());

        Car c1 = new Car("Citroen","C1");
        Car c2 = new Car("Ford","Mustang");
        Car c3 = new Car("Ferarri","GTO");
        Car c4 = new Car("Cadillac","Elderado");
        Car c5 = new Car("Ford","Mustang");

        S.add(c1);
        S.add(c2);
        S.add(c3);
        S.add(c4);
        S.add(c5);

        System.out.println(S);
    }
}
```

```
Z:\public_html\ads2\java\compare>javac Test2.java

Z:\public_html\ads2\java\compare>java Test2
[Cadillac Elderado, Citroen C1, Ferarri GTO, Ford Mustang]

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Implementing a priority queue with an **unsorted** list

We might use a linked list

- To insert we add to the front of the list
- To find the minimum we must iterate over entire the list
- To remove the minimum we must find the minimum and remove it
- Maintain a counter of number of elements in the list

Method	Time
size	O(1)
isEmpty	O(1)
insert	O(1)
removeMin	O(n)
min	O(n)

Implementing a priority queue with an **sorted** list

sorted list

We might use a linked list

- The list is **maintained in non-decreasing order**
- To insert we scan to find position and splice in (see below)
- To find the minimum we deliver the first element in the list
- To remove the minimum we return and remove the first element

```
public void insert(E s){
    if (head == null || head.getElement().compareTo(s) > 0)
        head = new Node<E>(s,head);
    else {
        Node<E> cursor = head;
        Node<E> next = cursor.getNext();
        while (next != null && next.getElement().compareTo(s) <= 0 ){
            cursor = next;
            next = next.getNext();
        }
        cursor.setNext(new Node<E>(s,next));
    }
    size++;
}
```

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An alternative

THE HEAP

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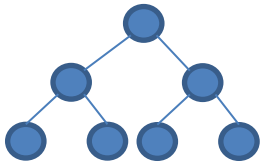

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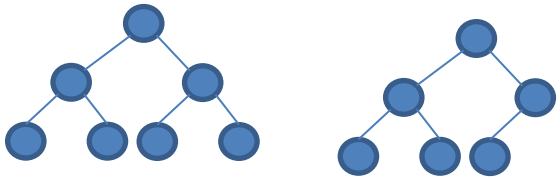

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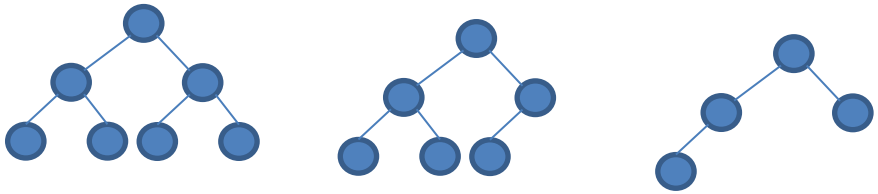

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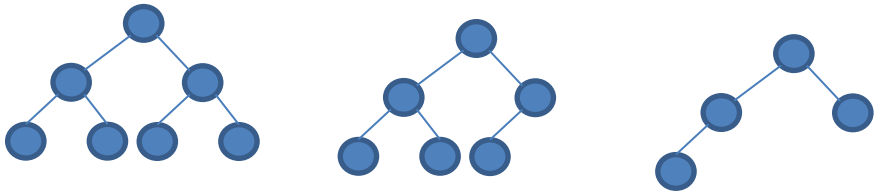

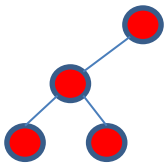

Not a heap!

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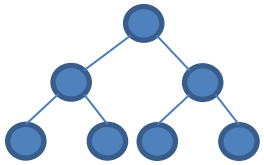

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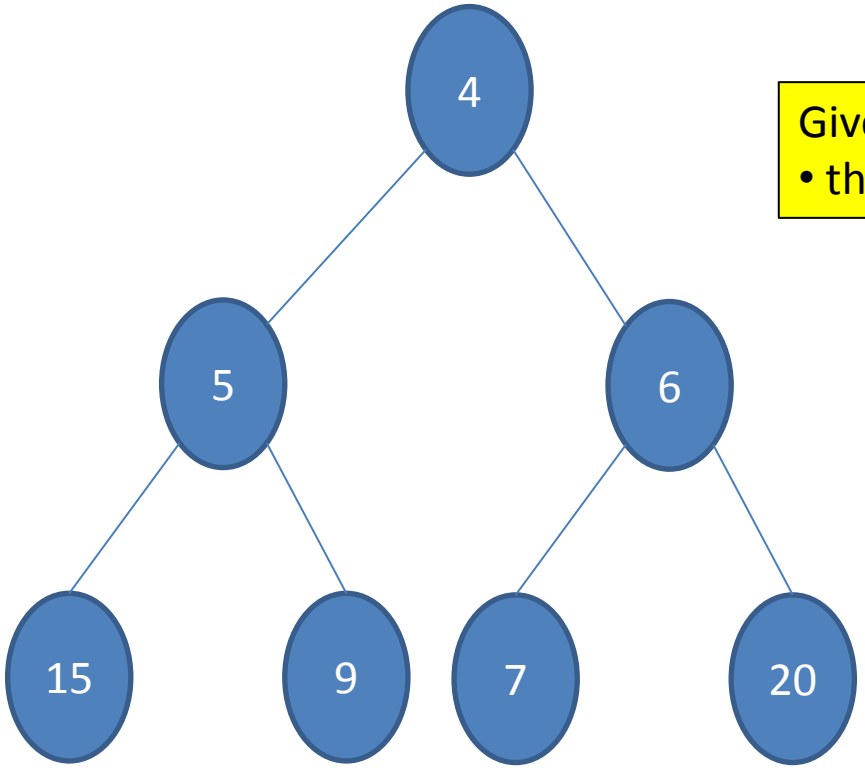

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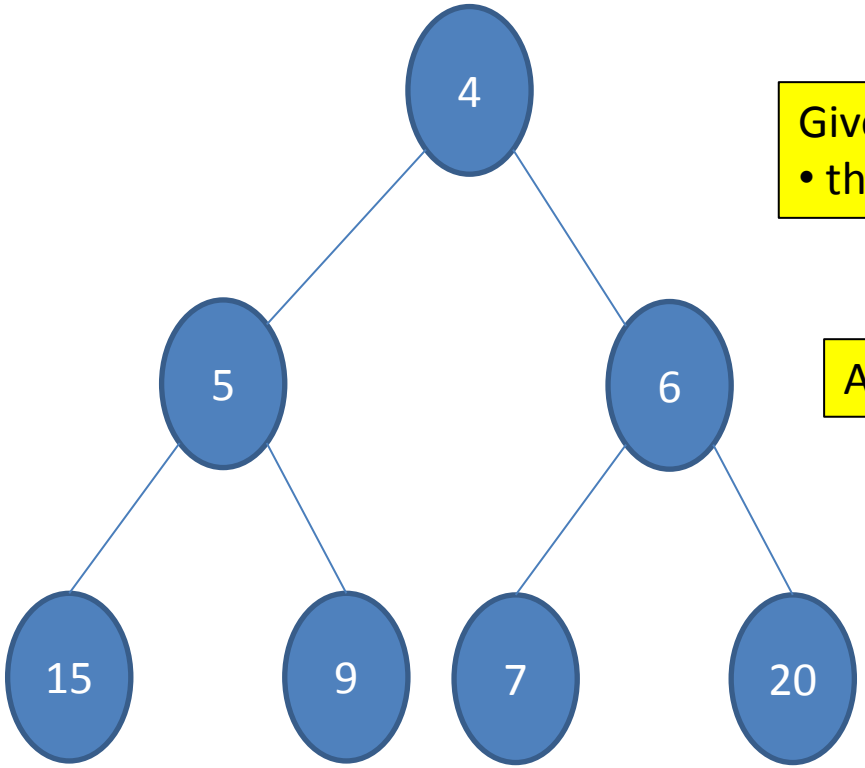

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A heap H with n nodes has height O(log(n))

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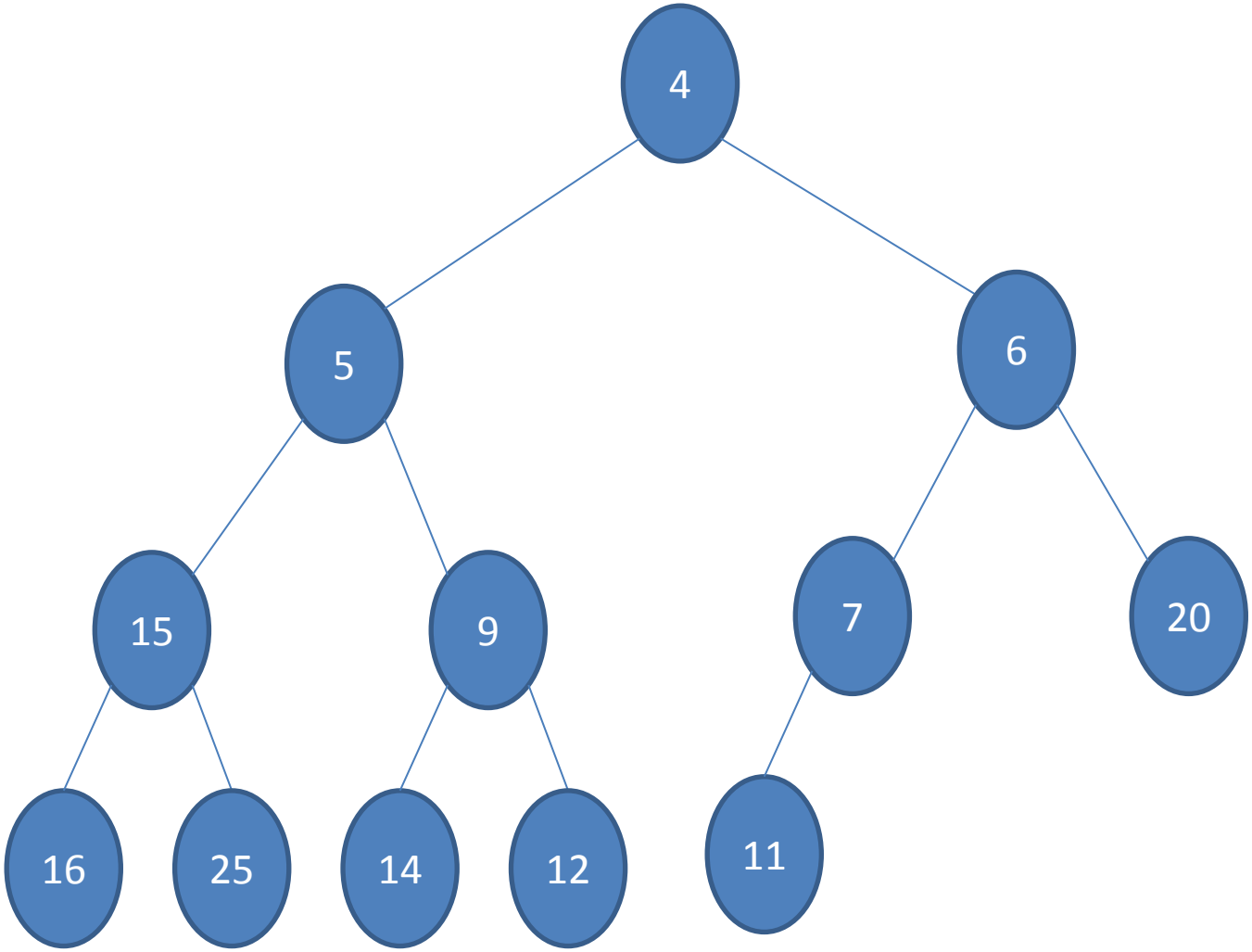

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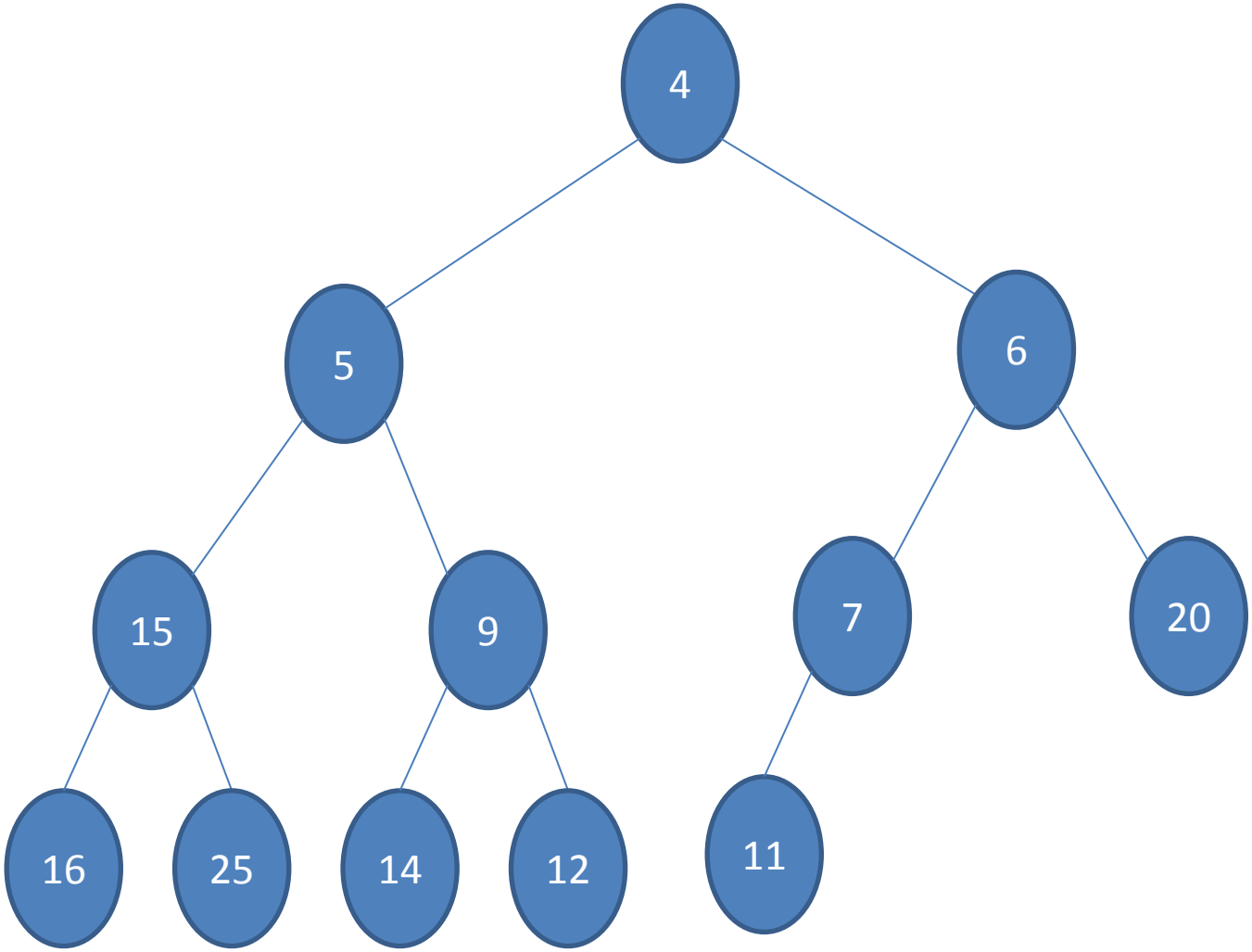

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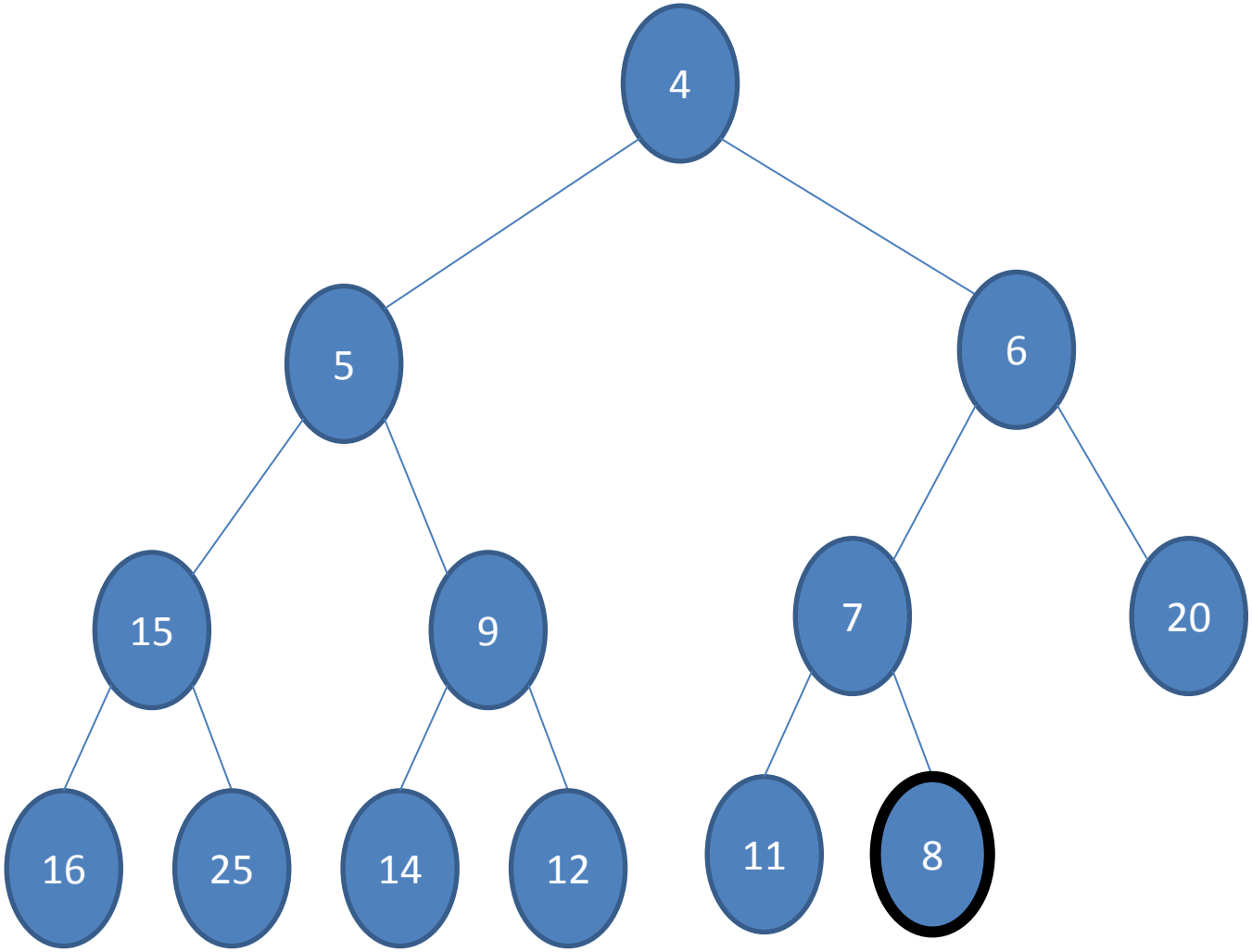

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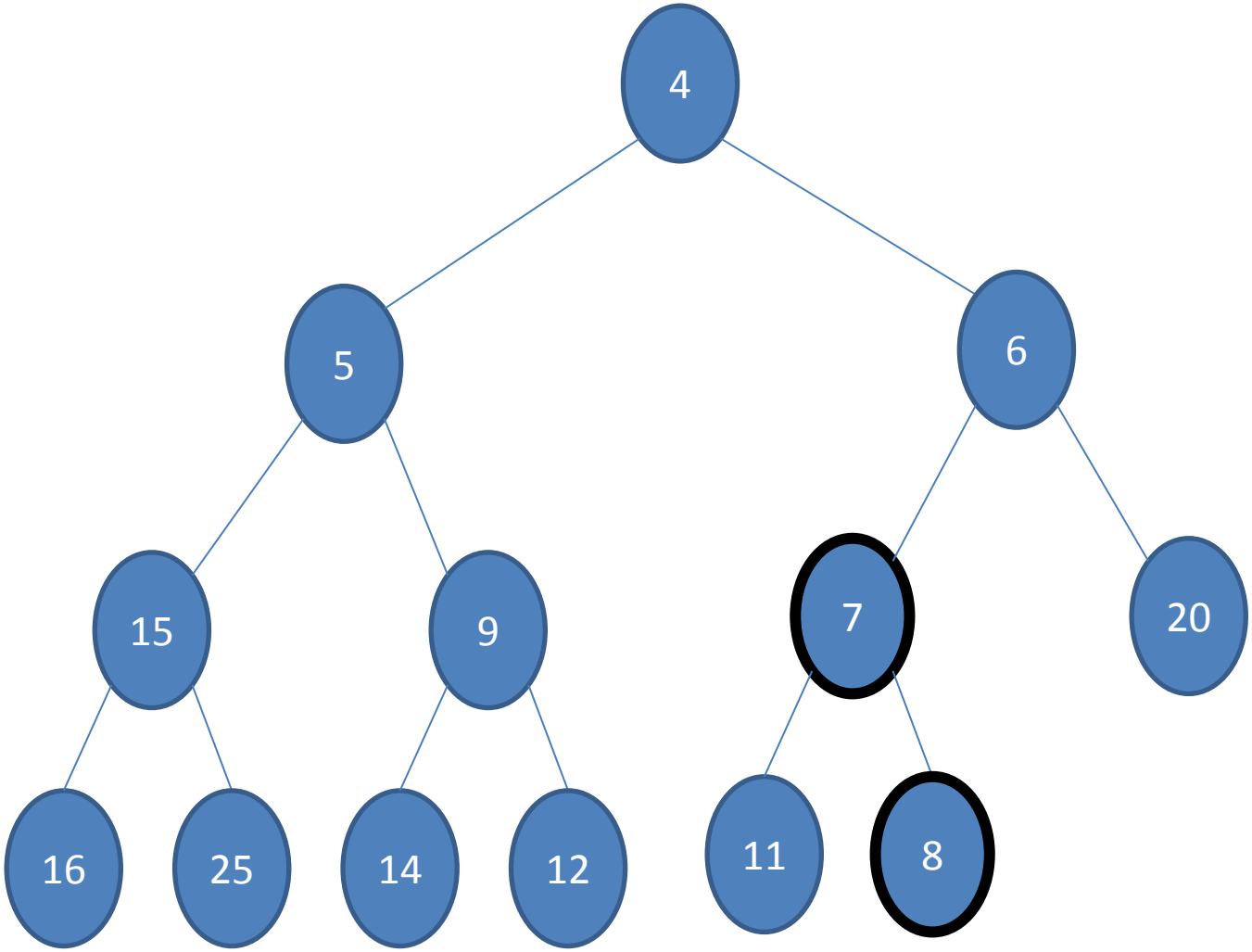

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8 is greater than parent (7) ... done

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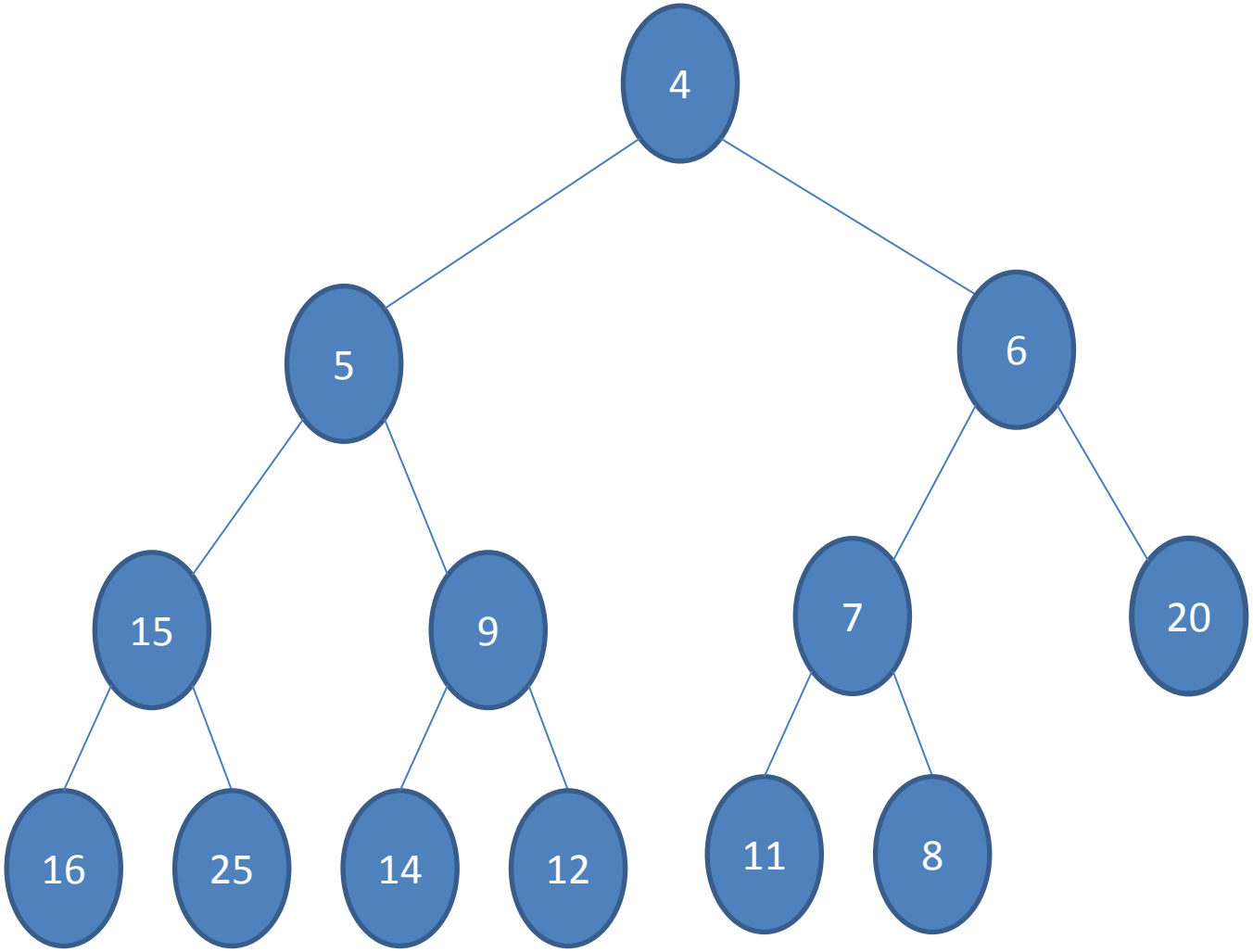

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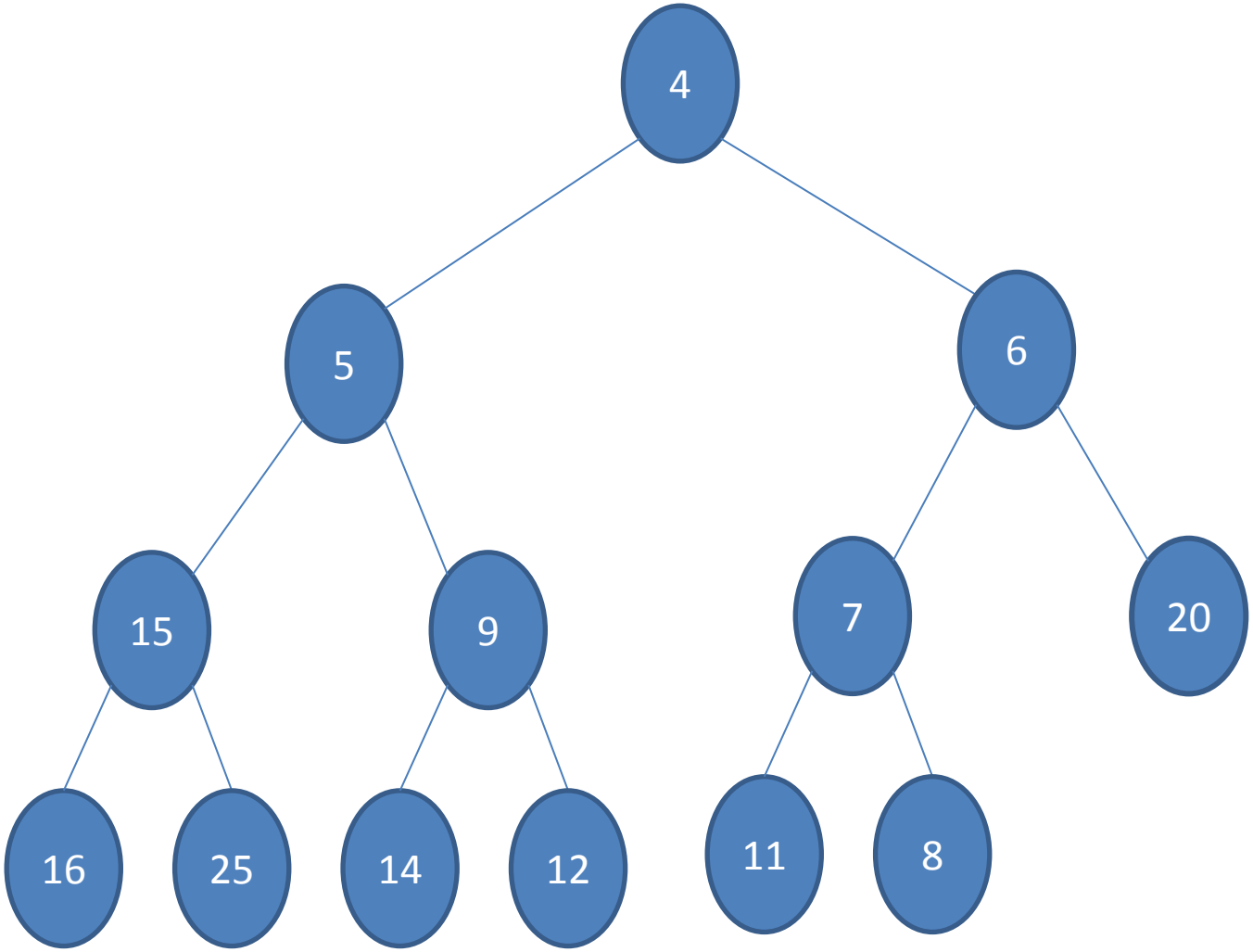

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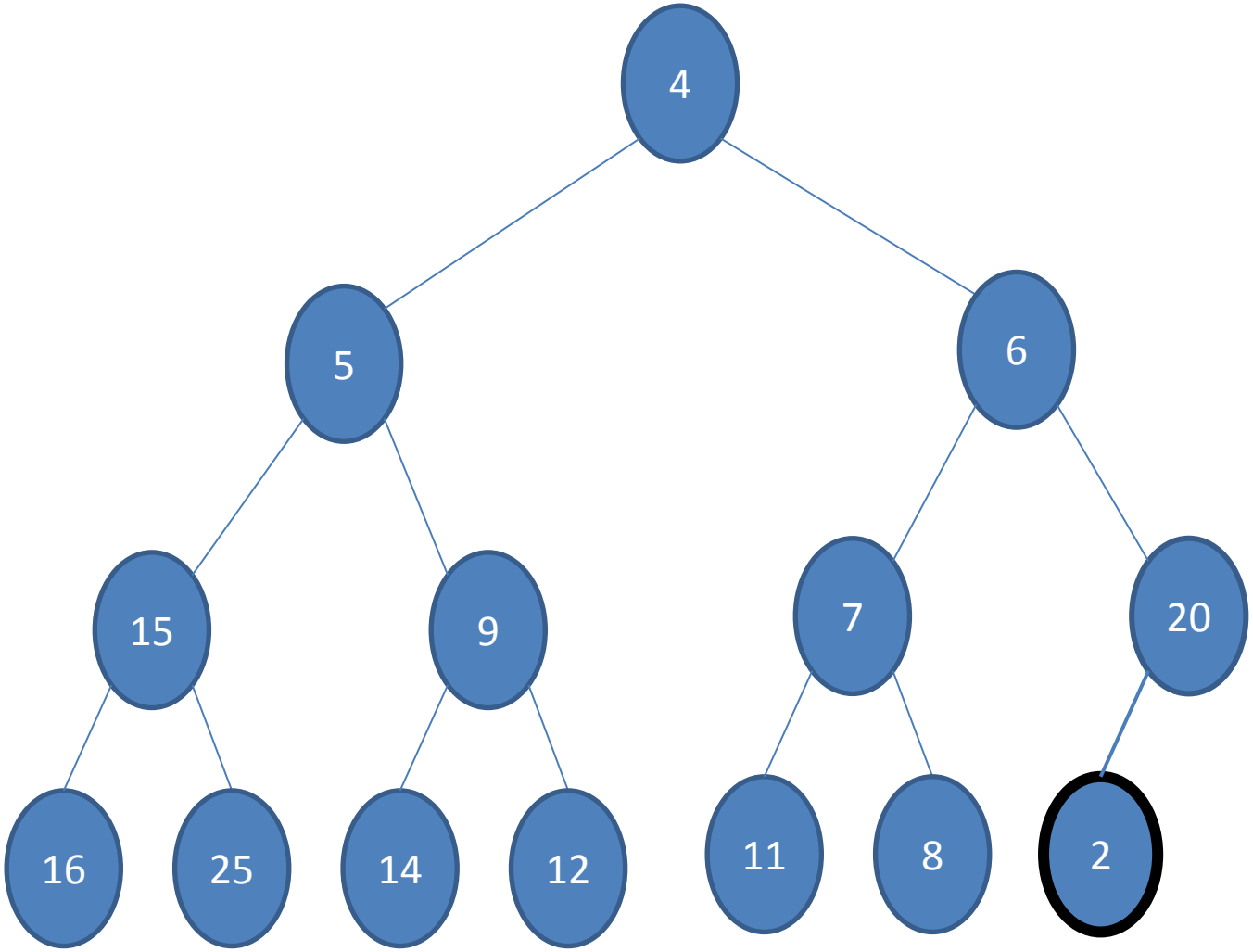

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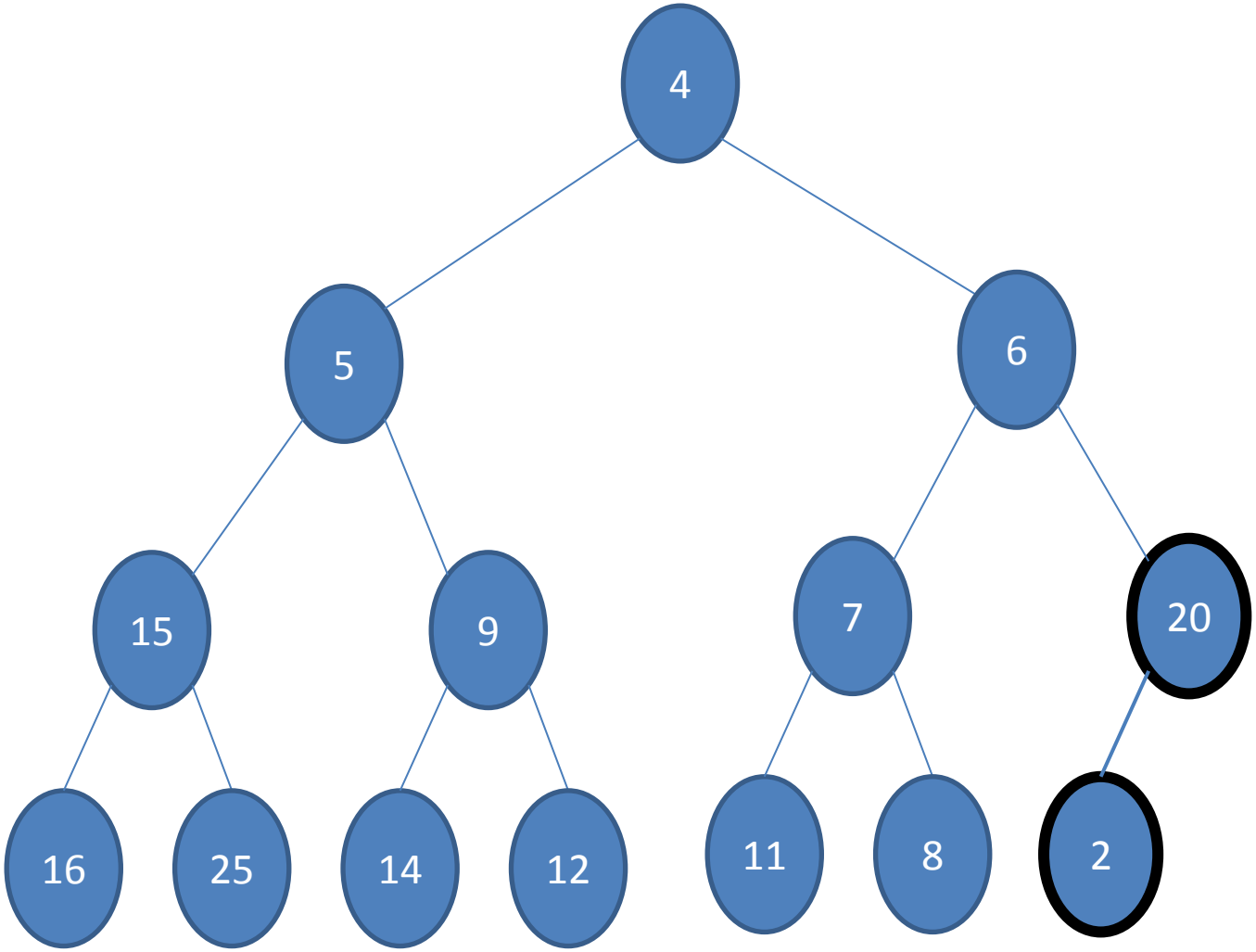

Insert 2

2 is less than parent 20

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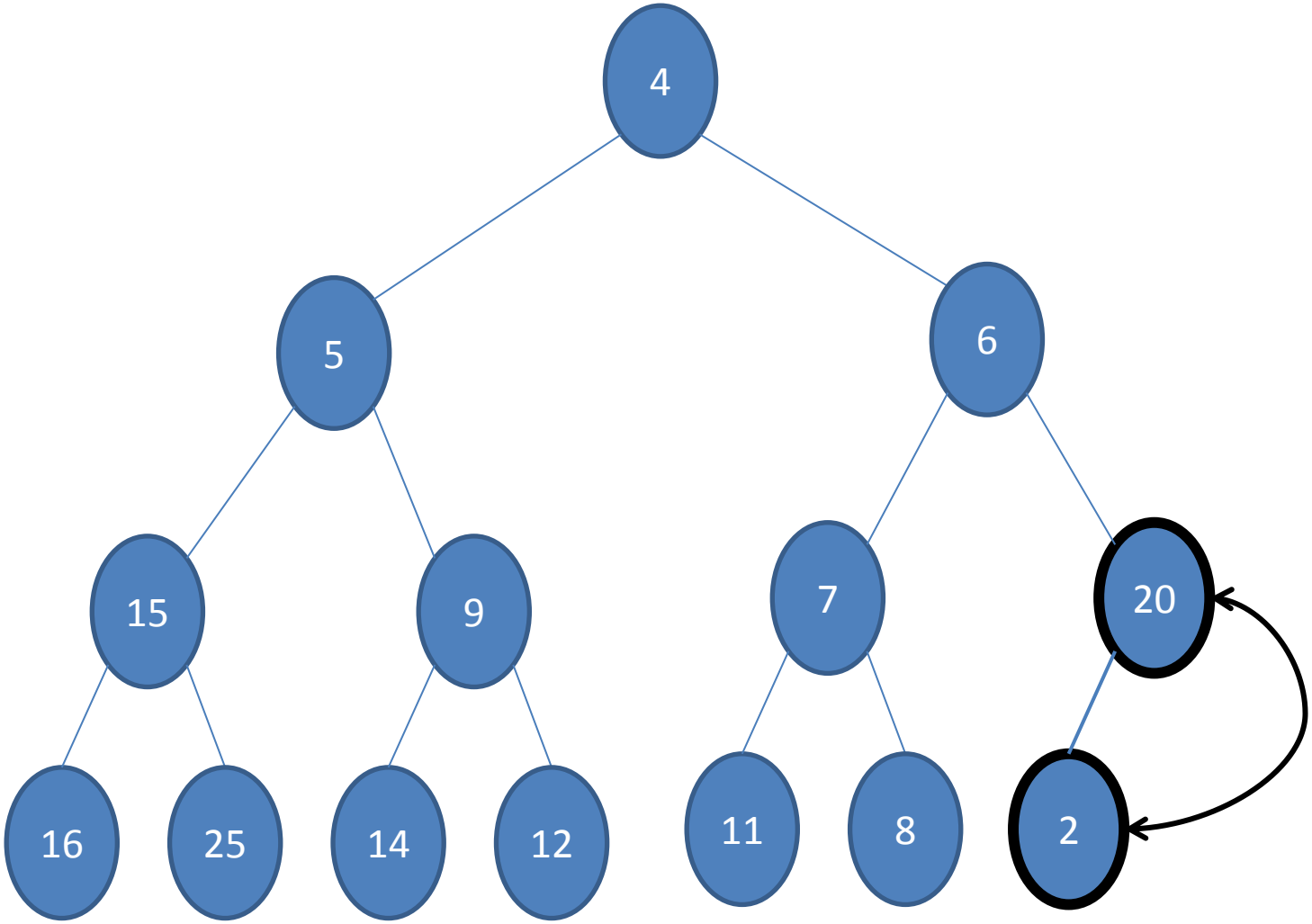

Insert 2

2 is less than parent 20 ... swap!

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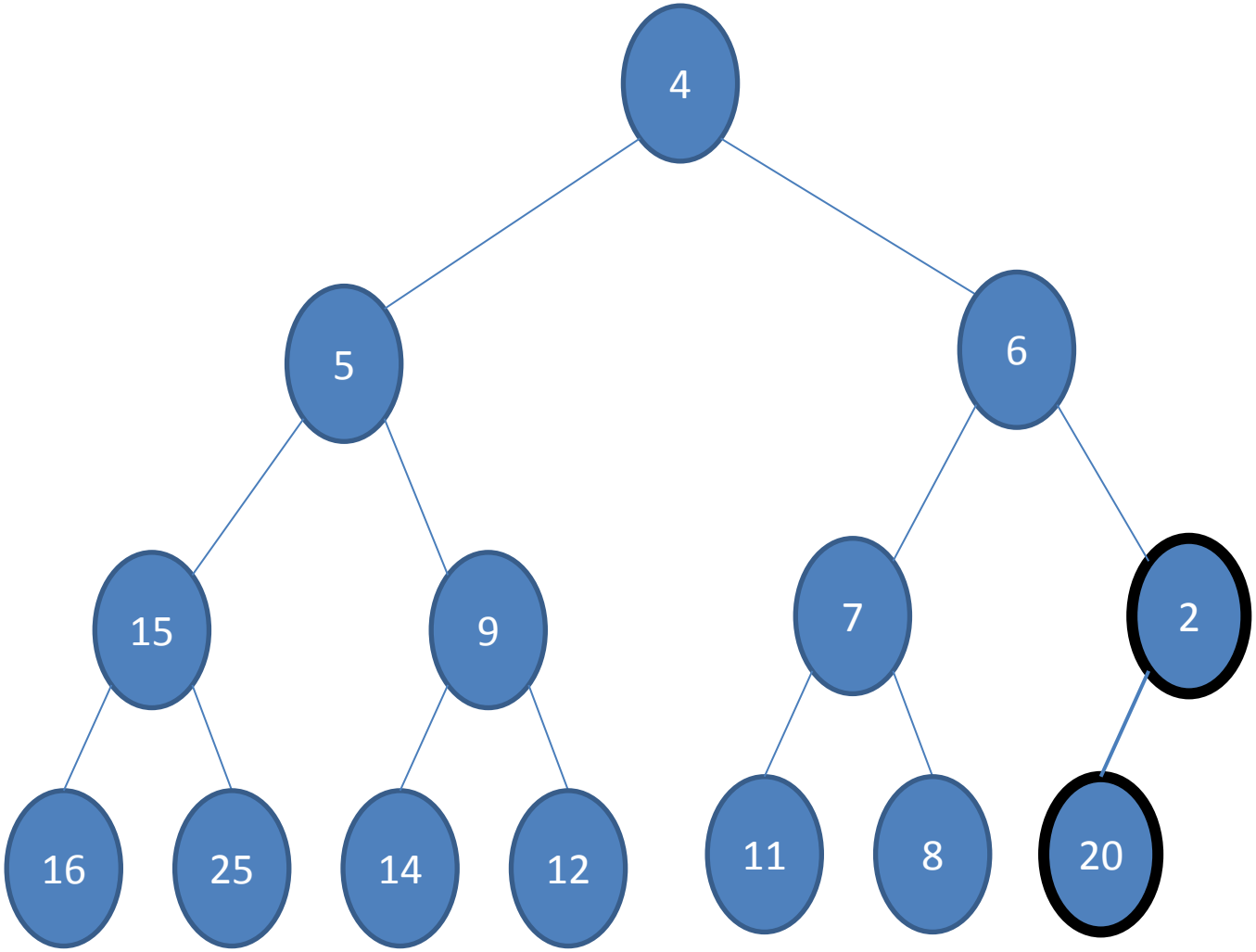

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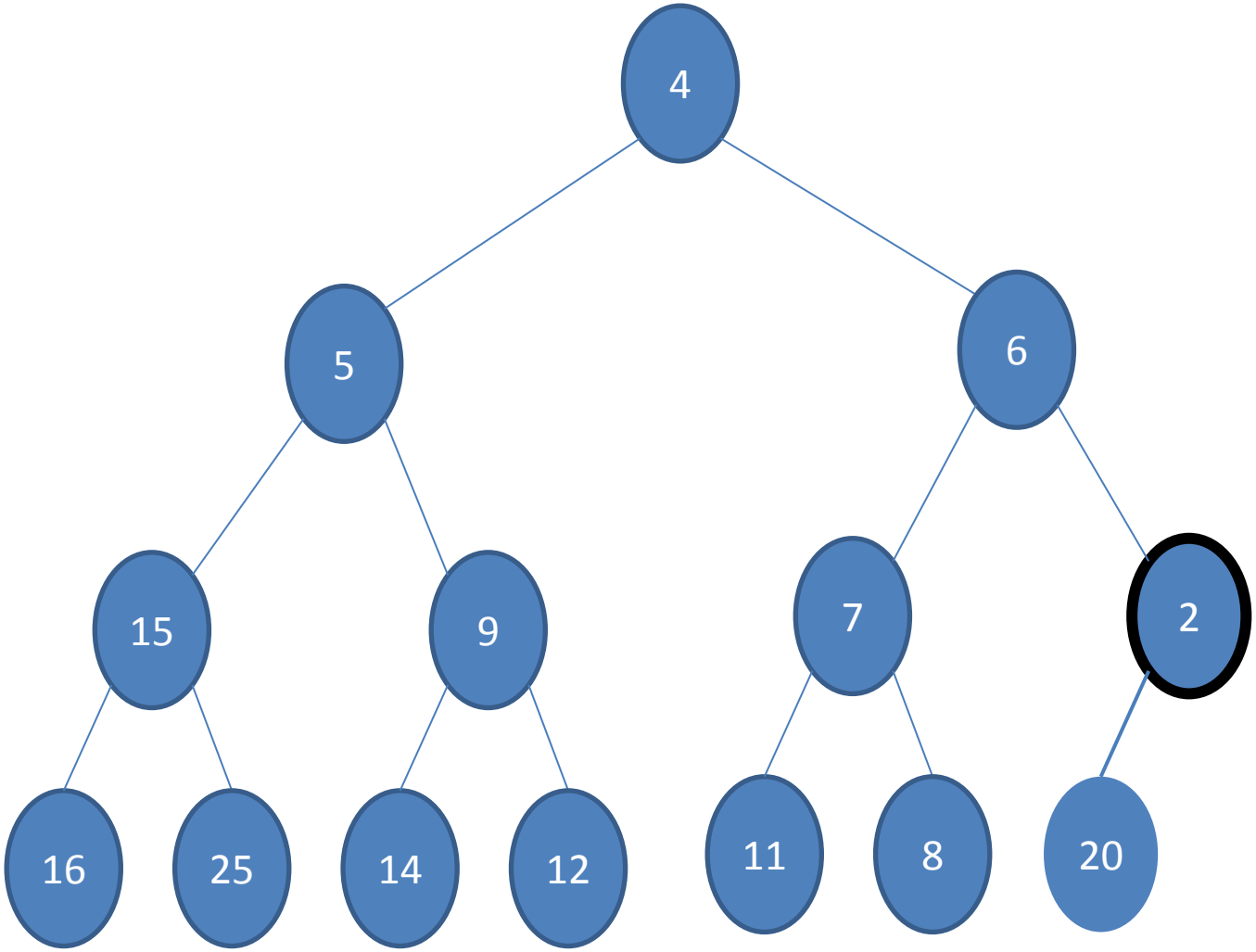

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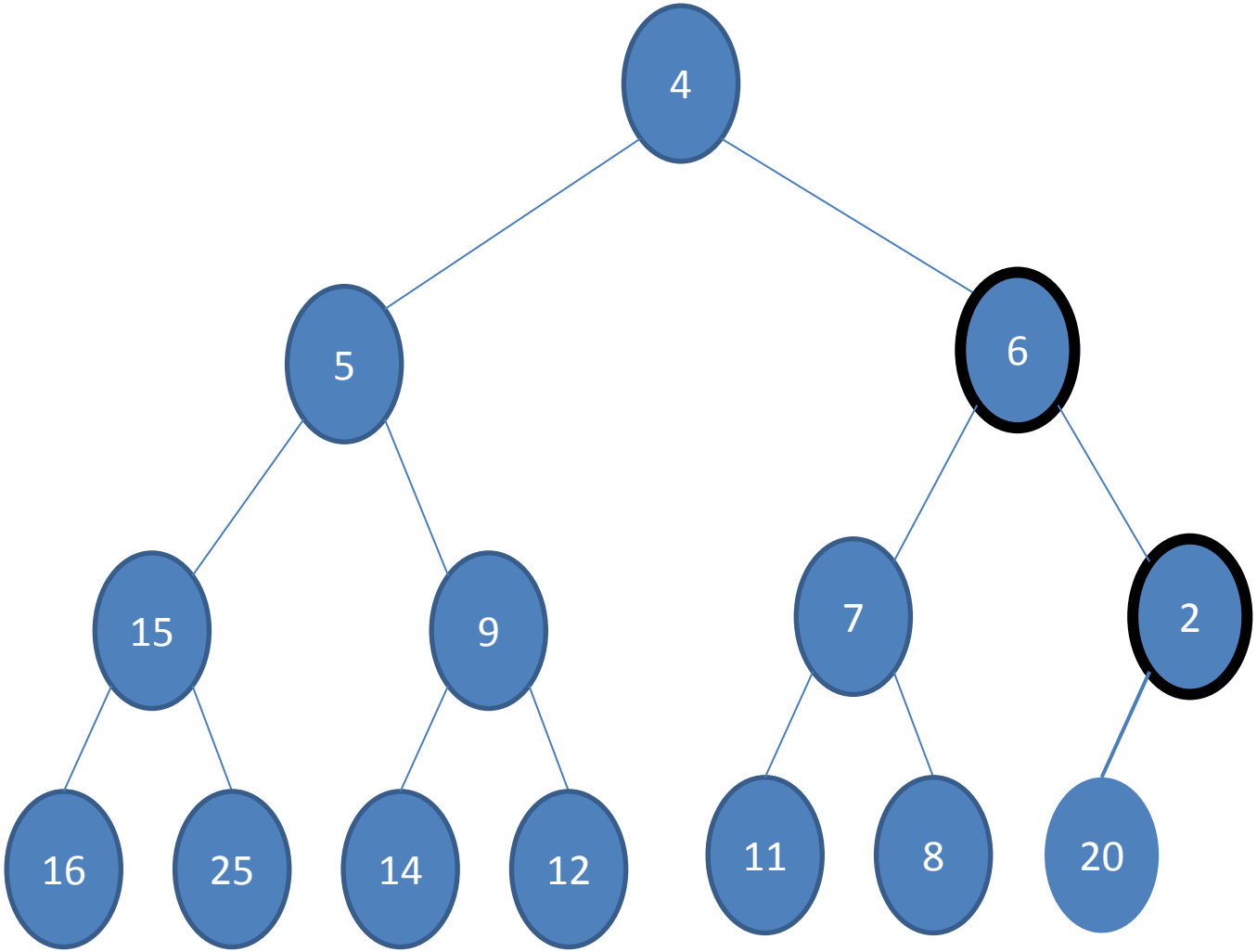

Insert 2

2 is less than parent 6

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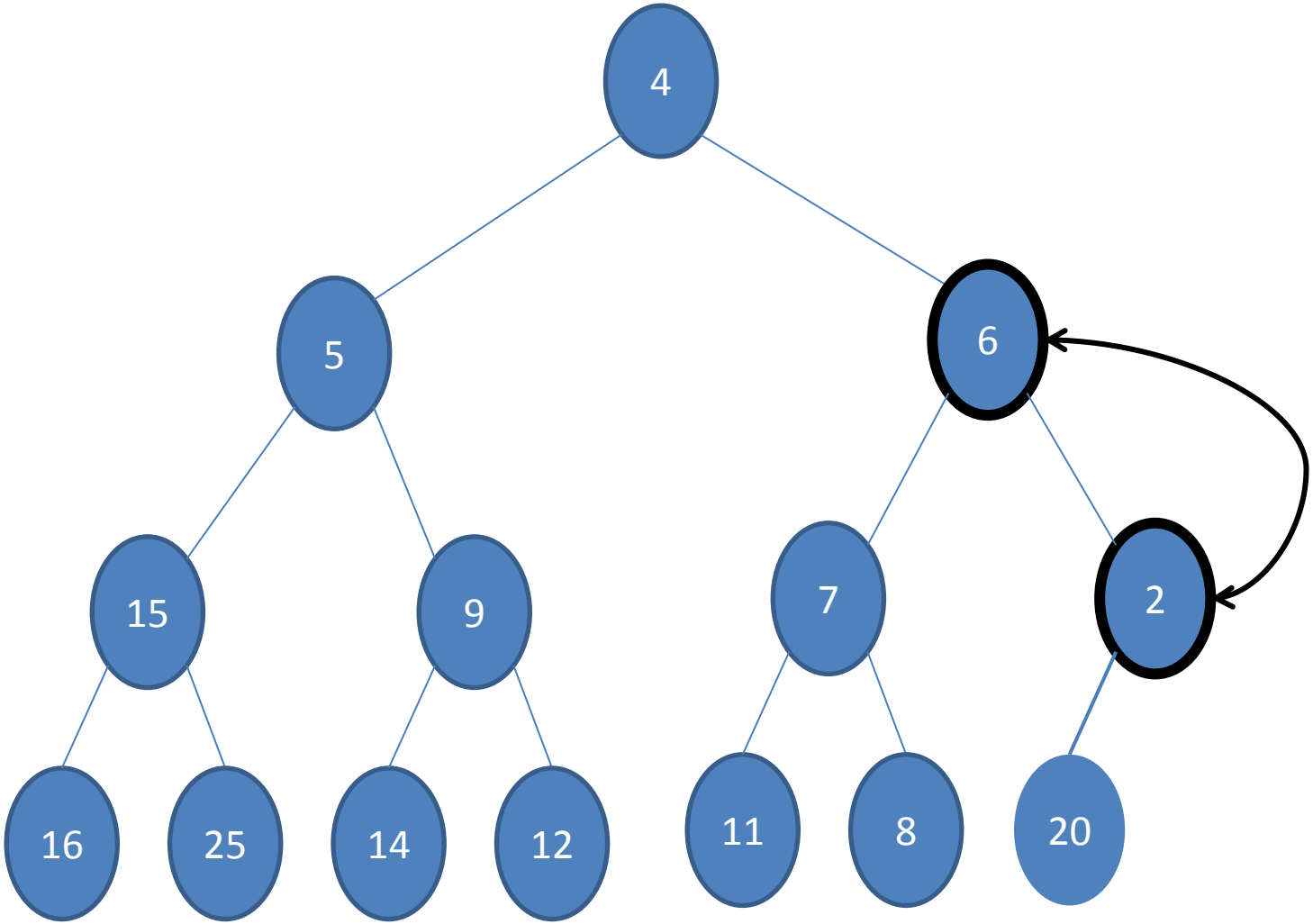

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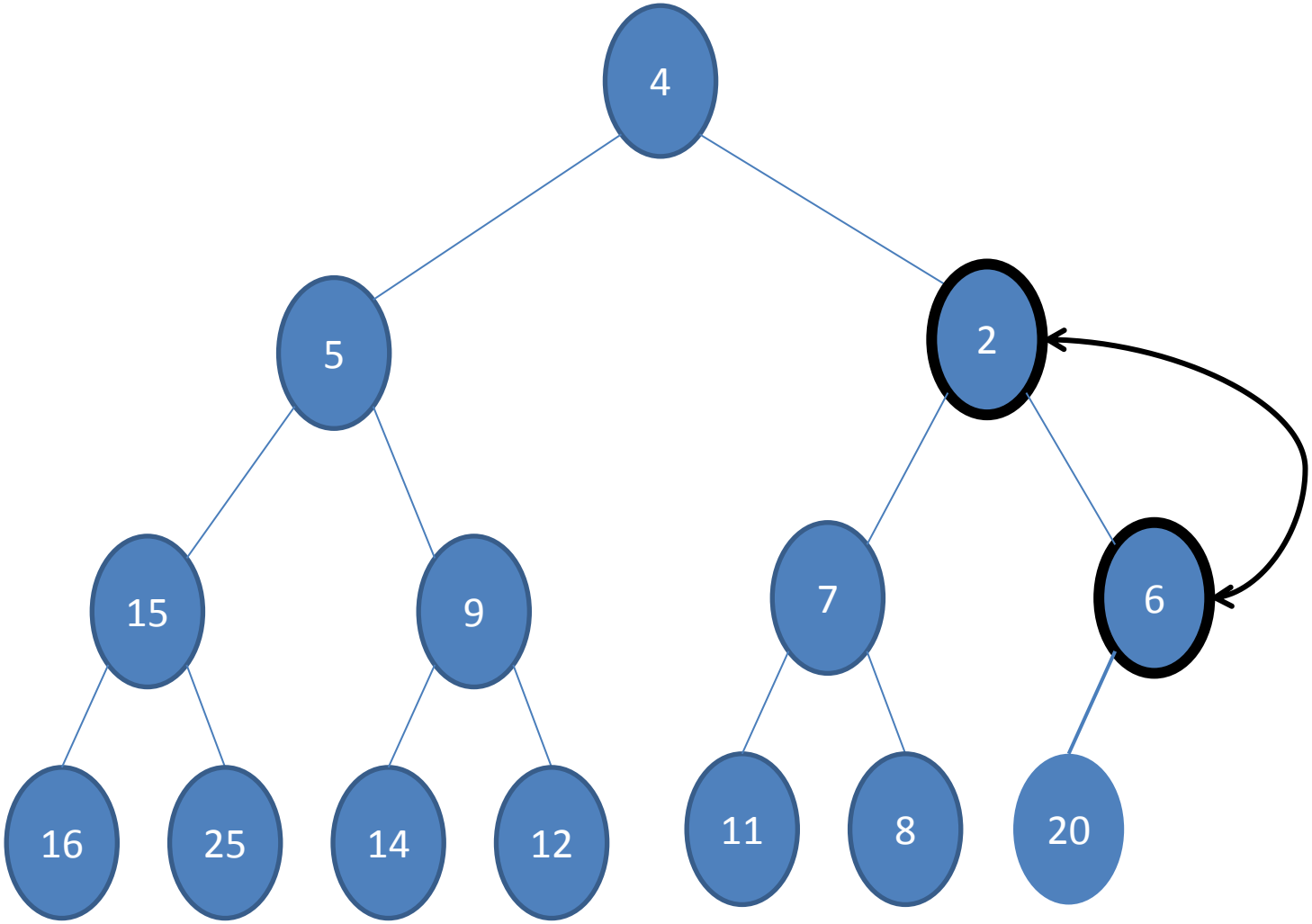

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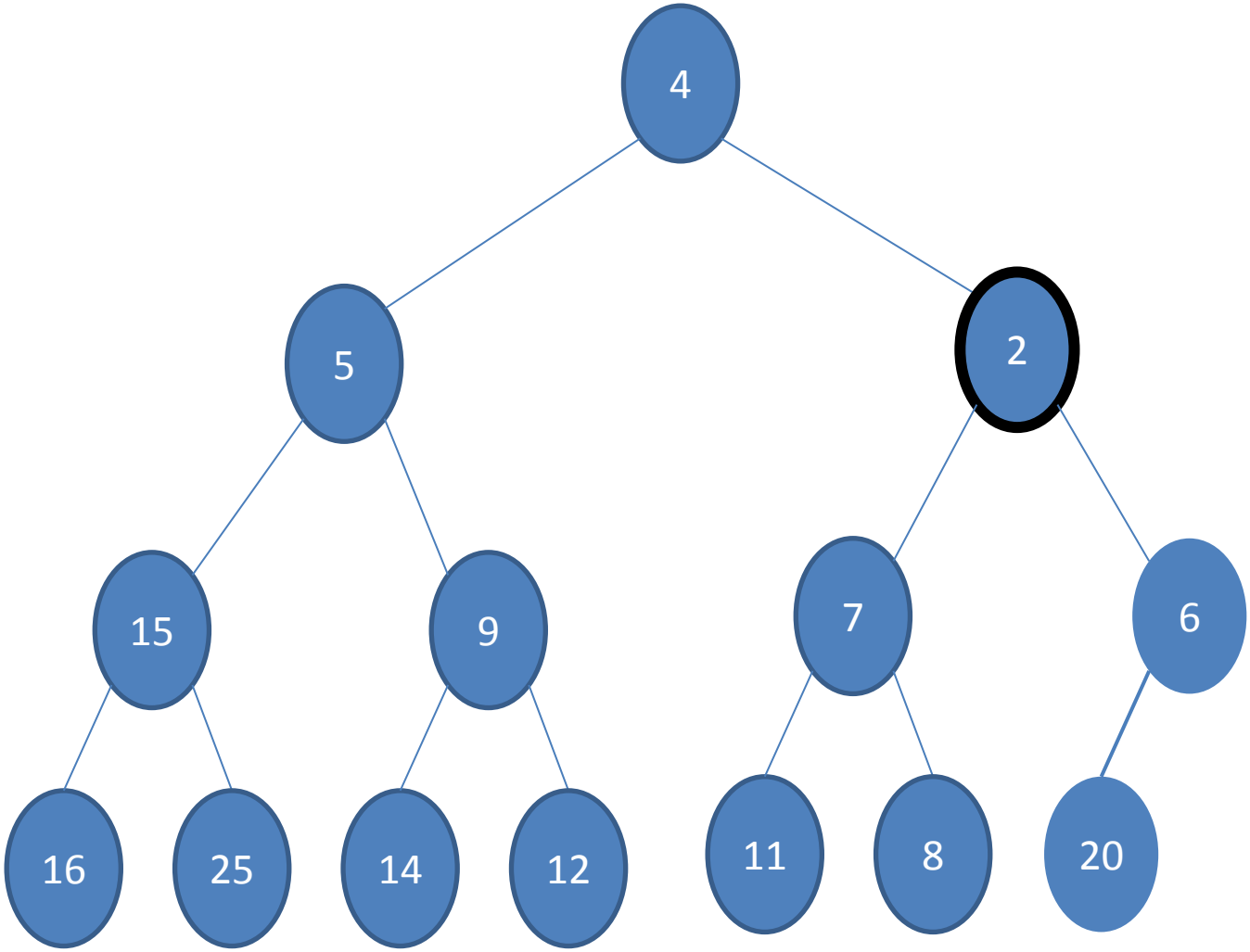

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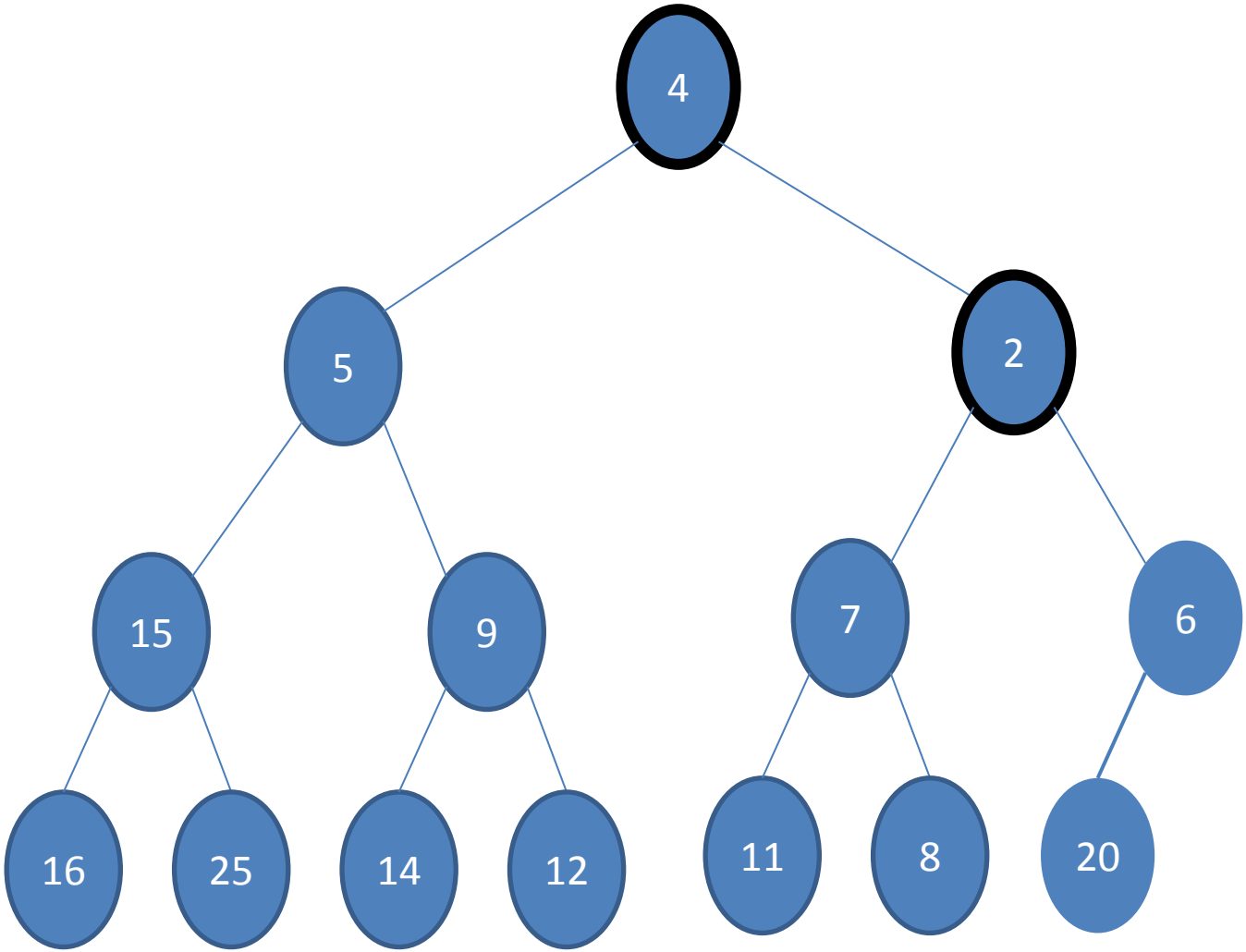

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2 is less than parent 4

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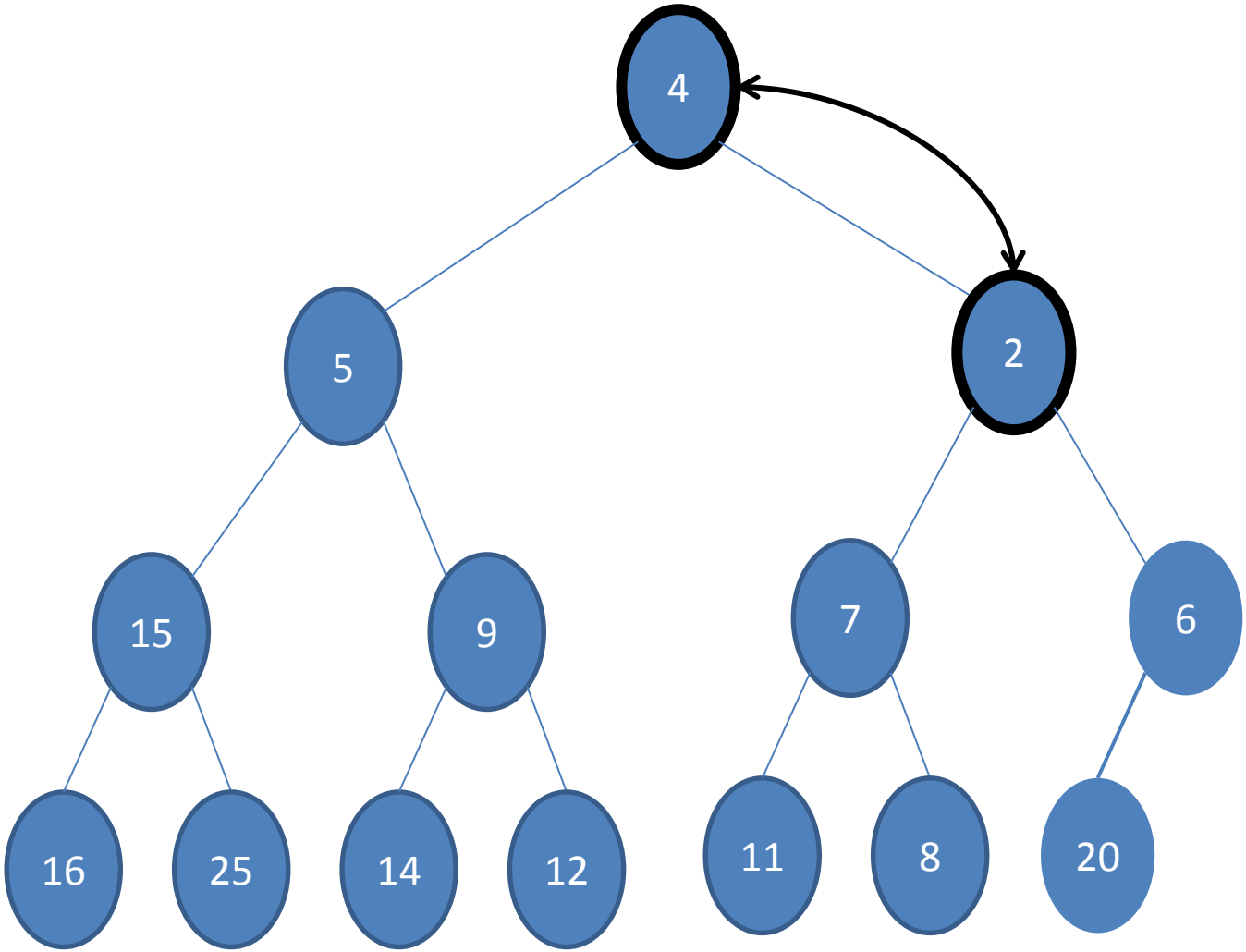

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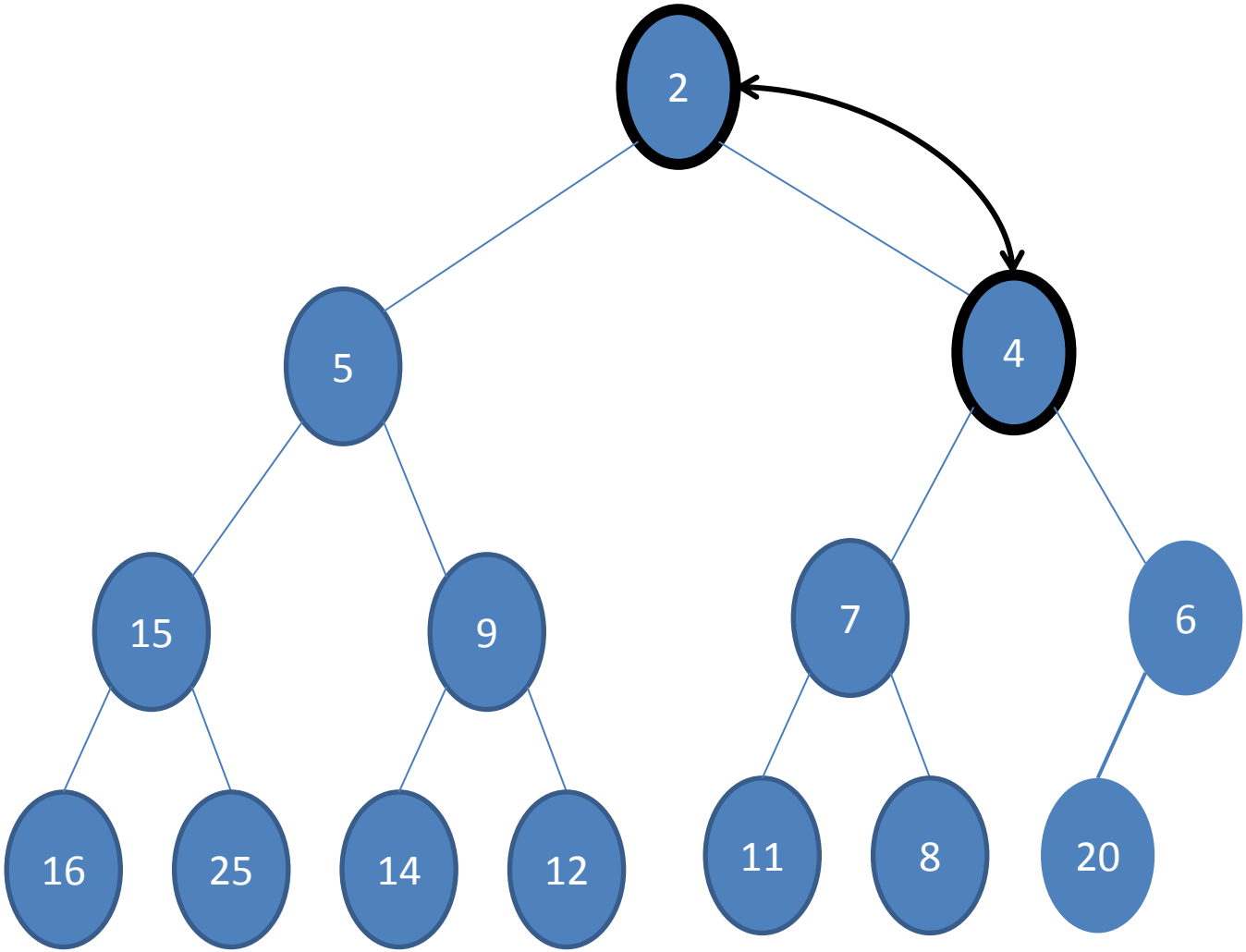

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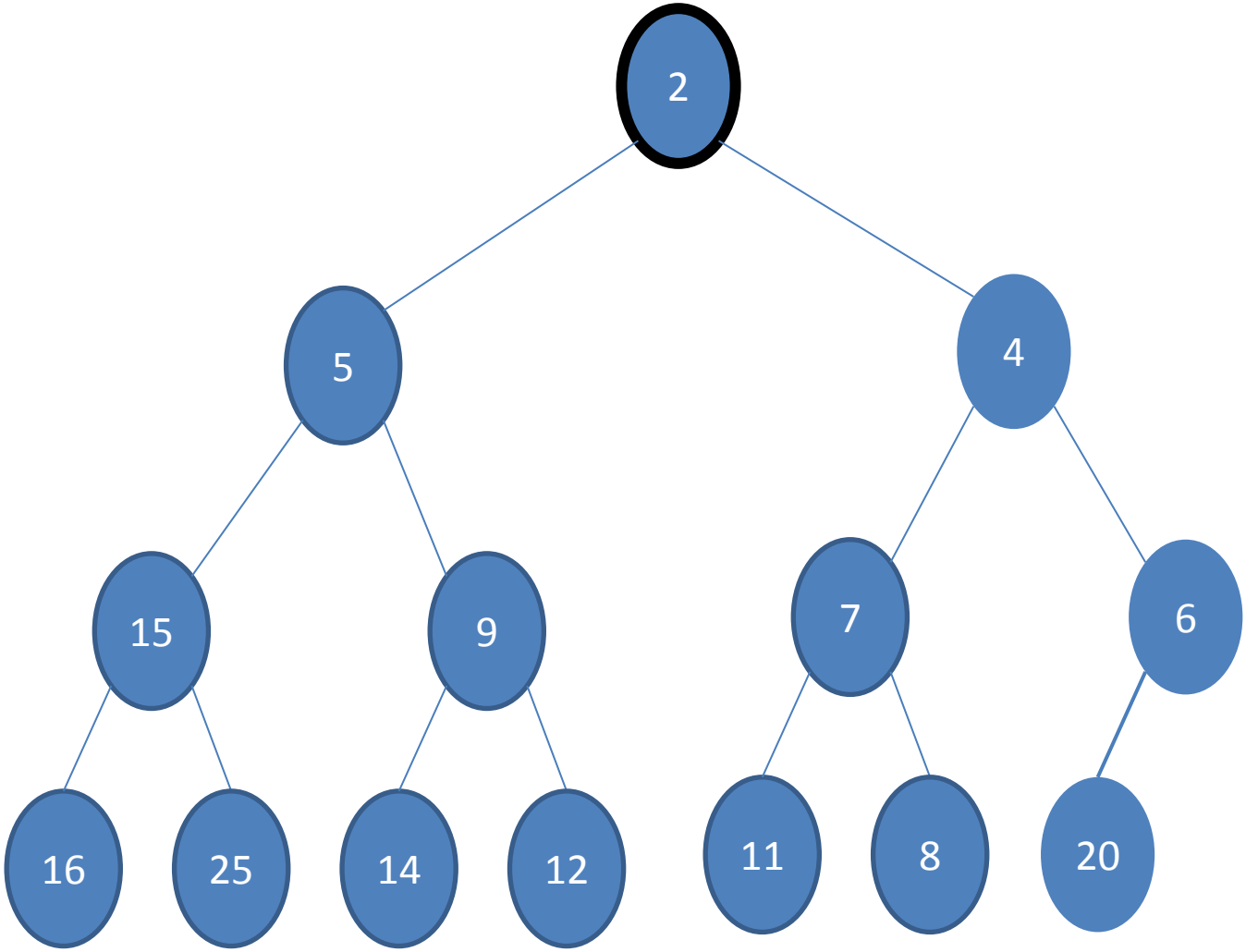

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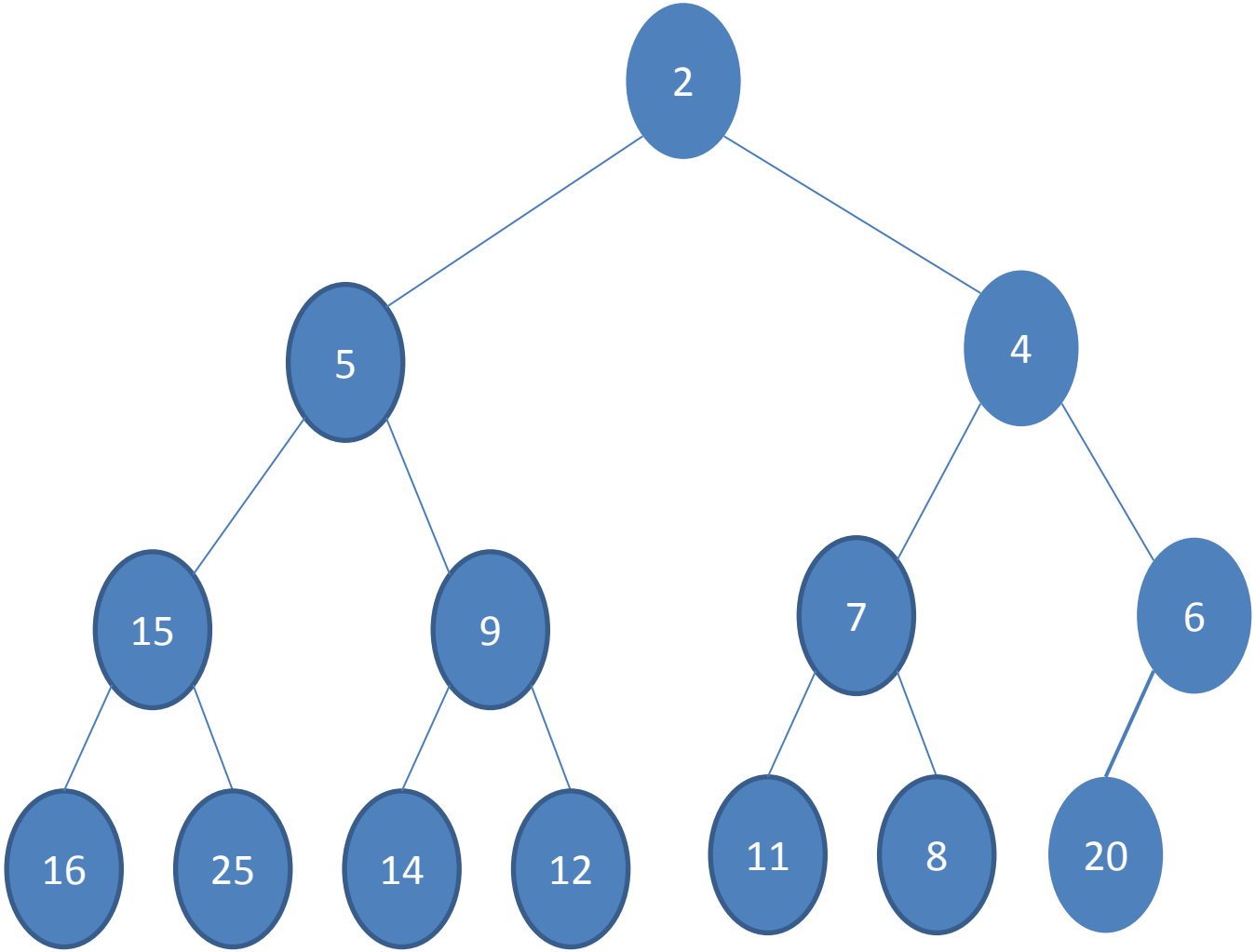

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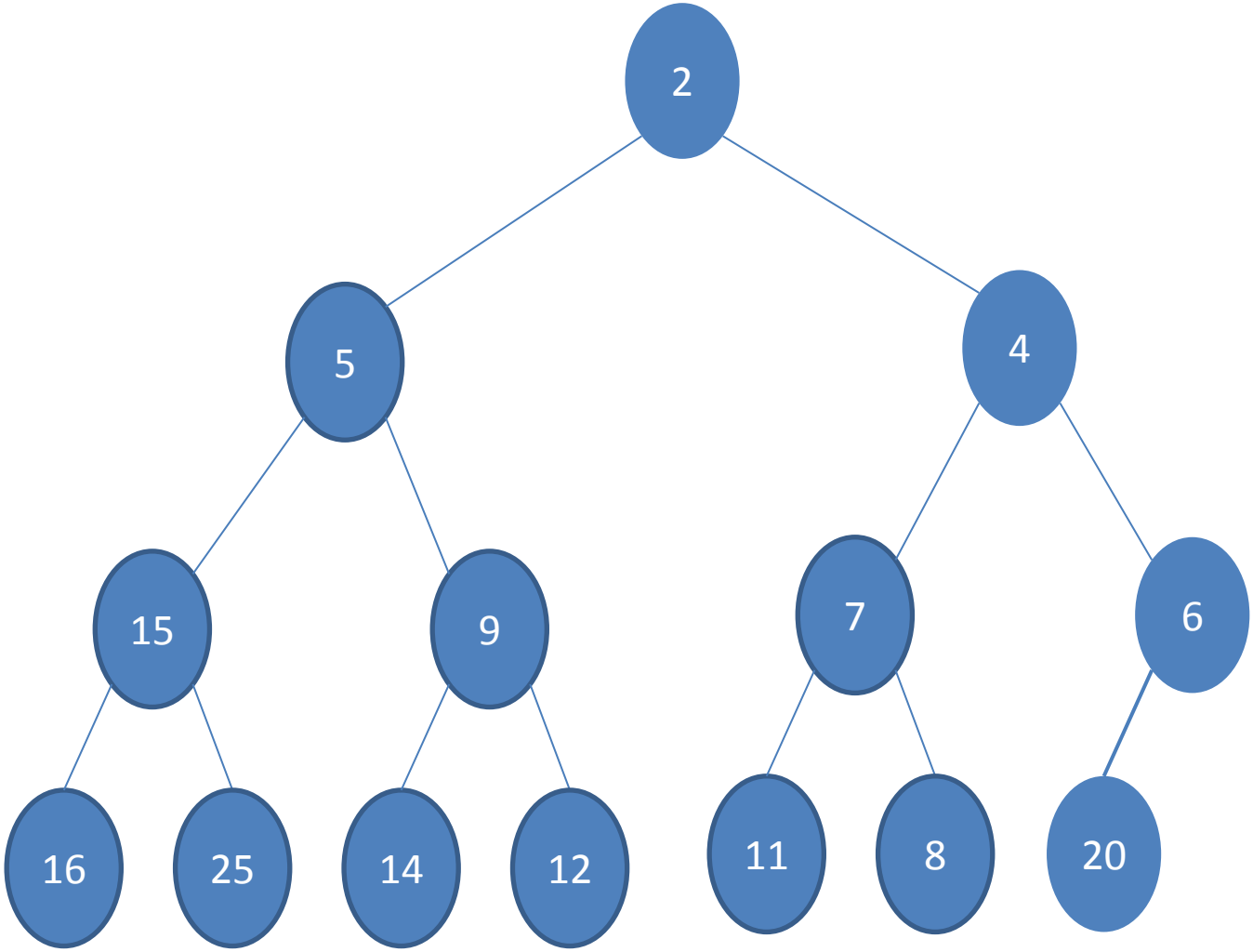

Example: removal from a heap

NOTE: it is a heap in a different state

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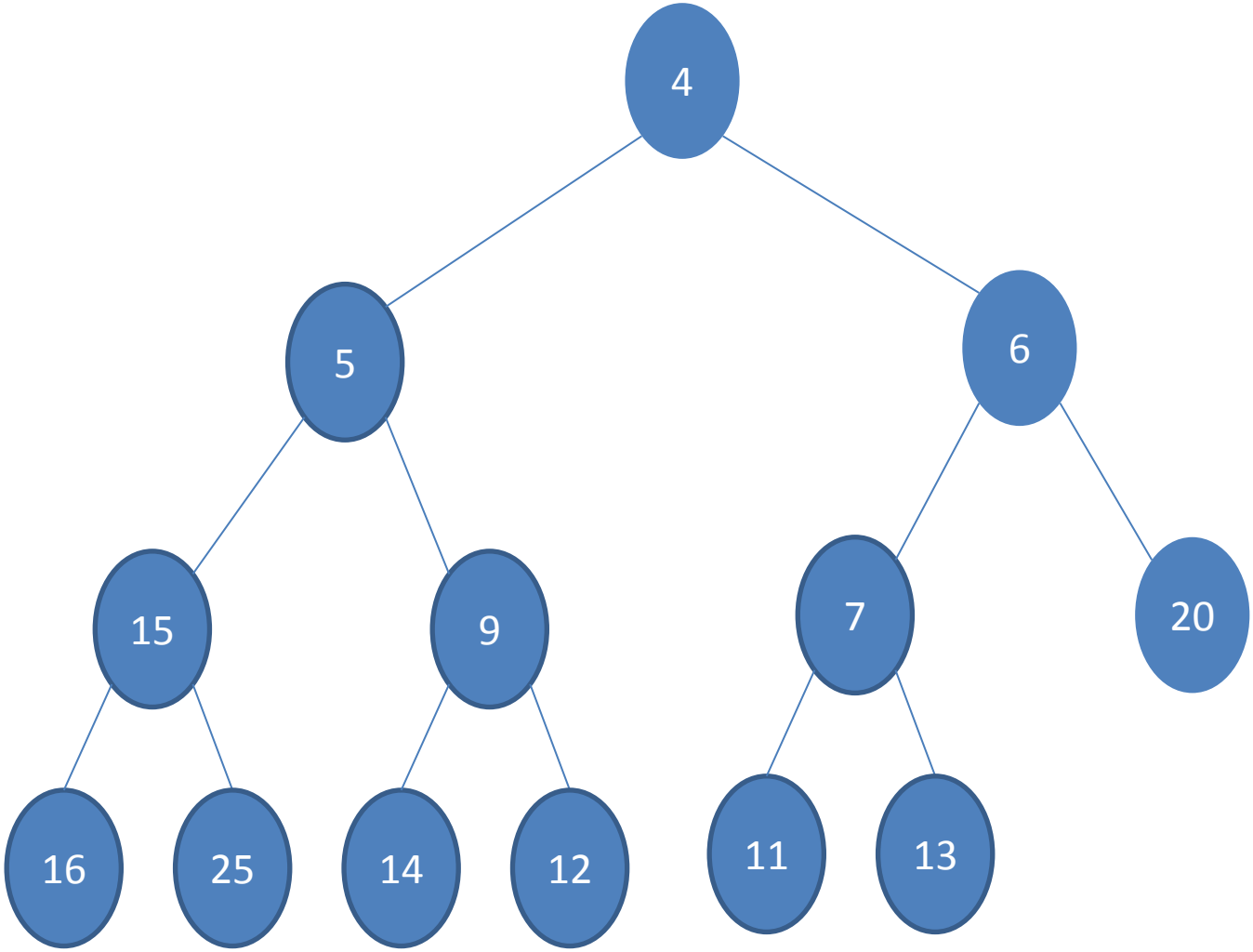

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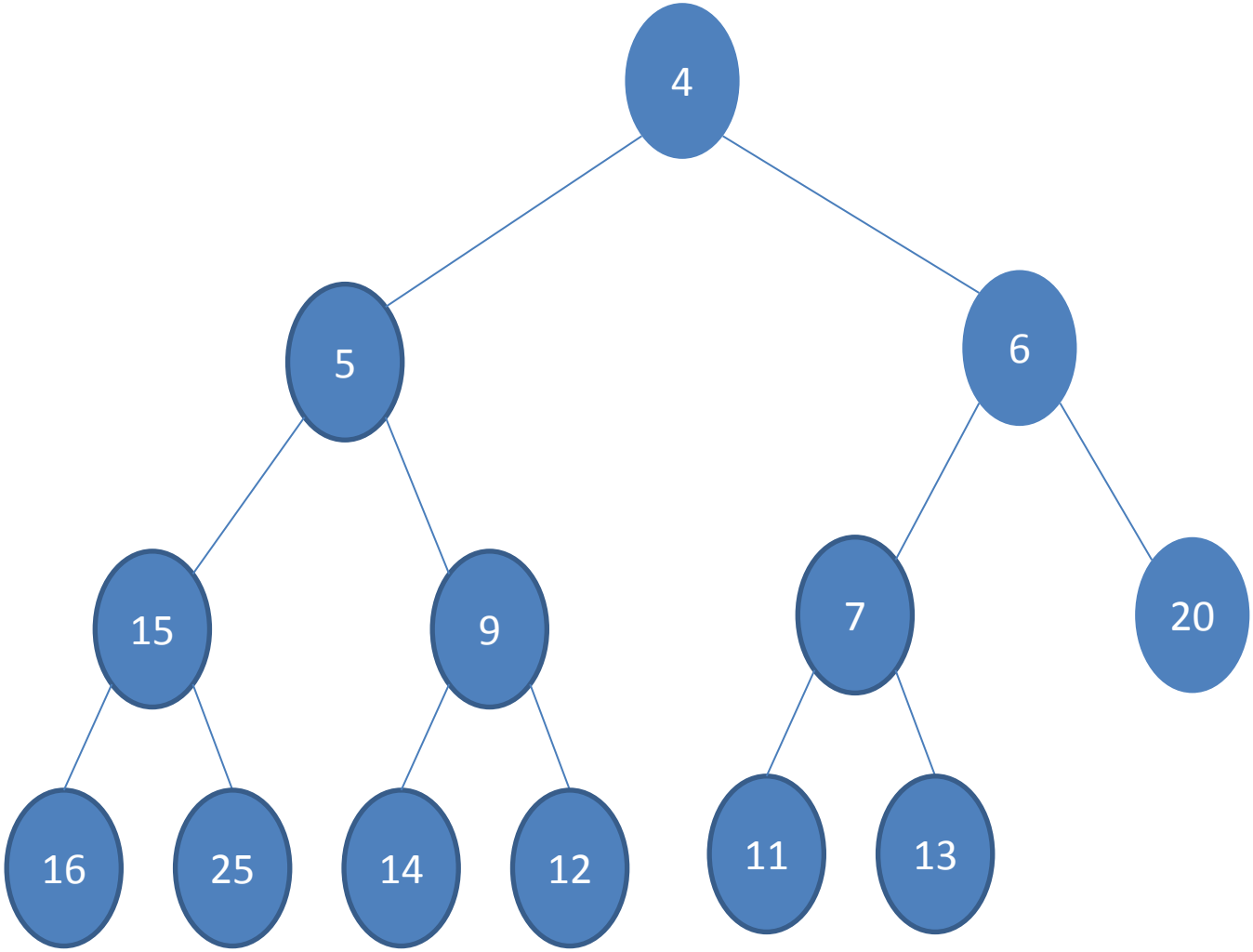

Save off top of heap

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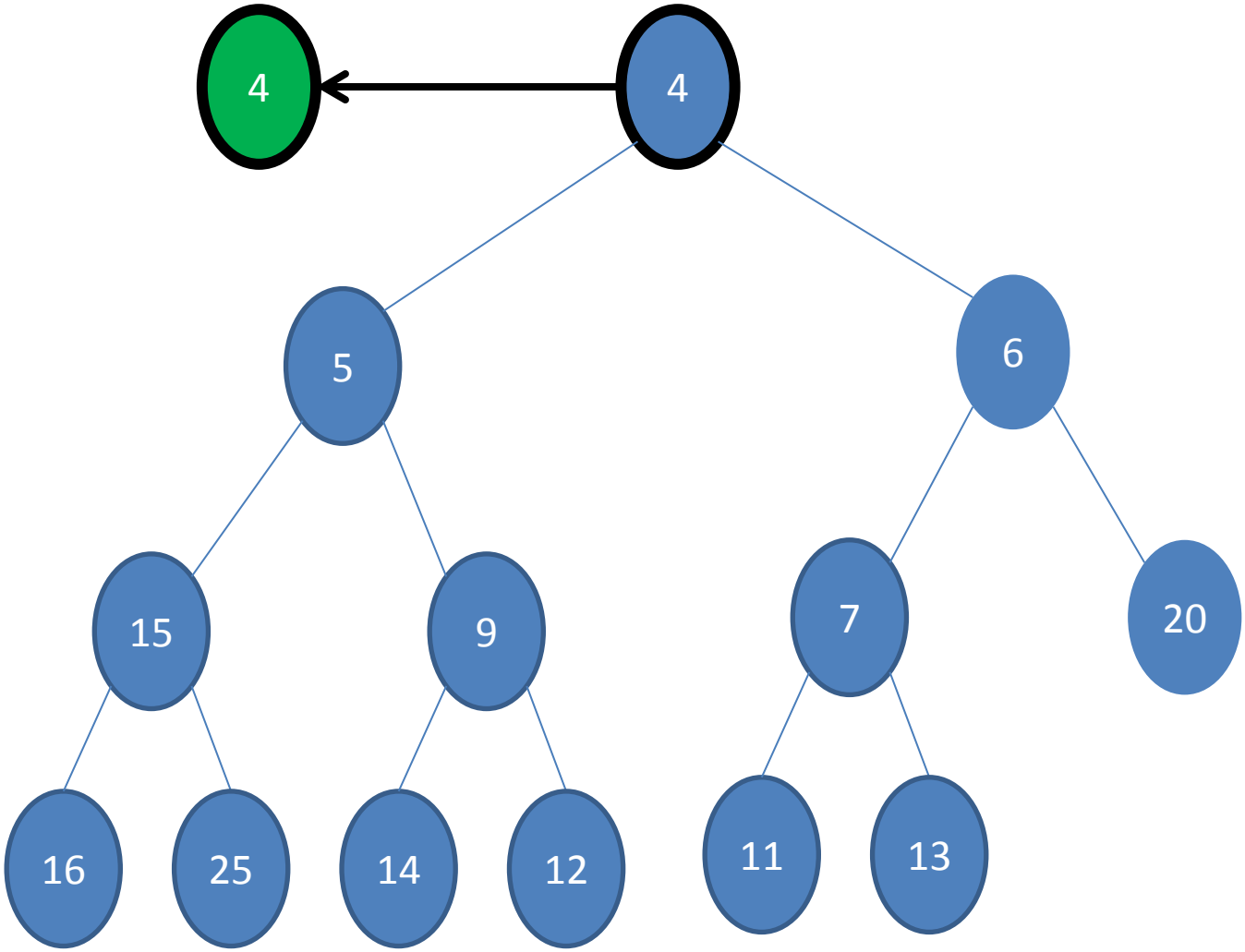

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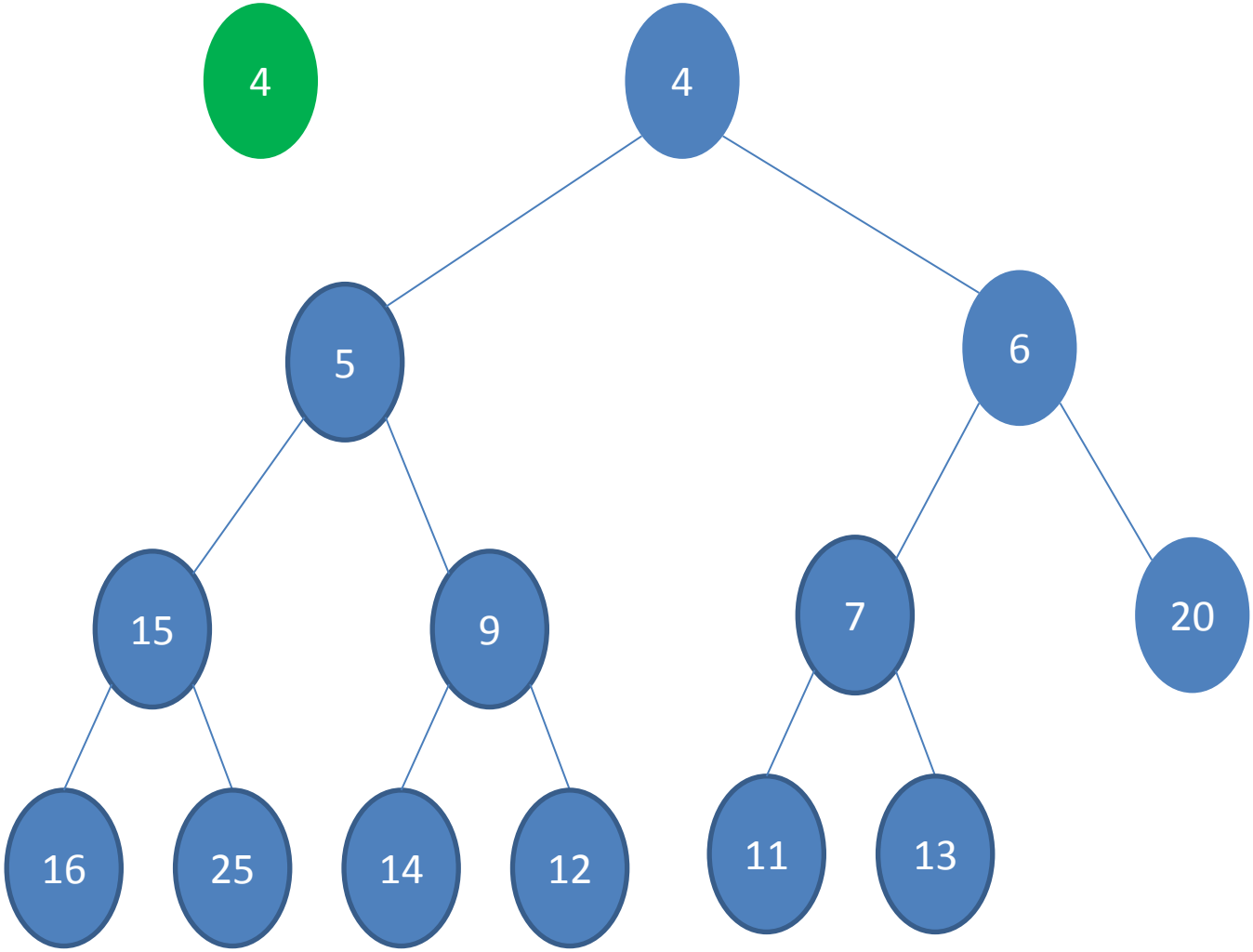

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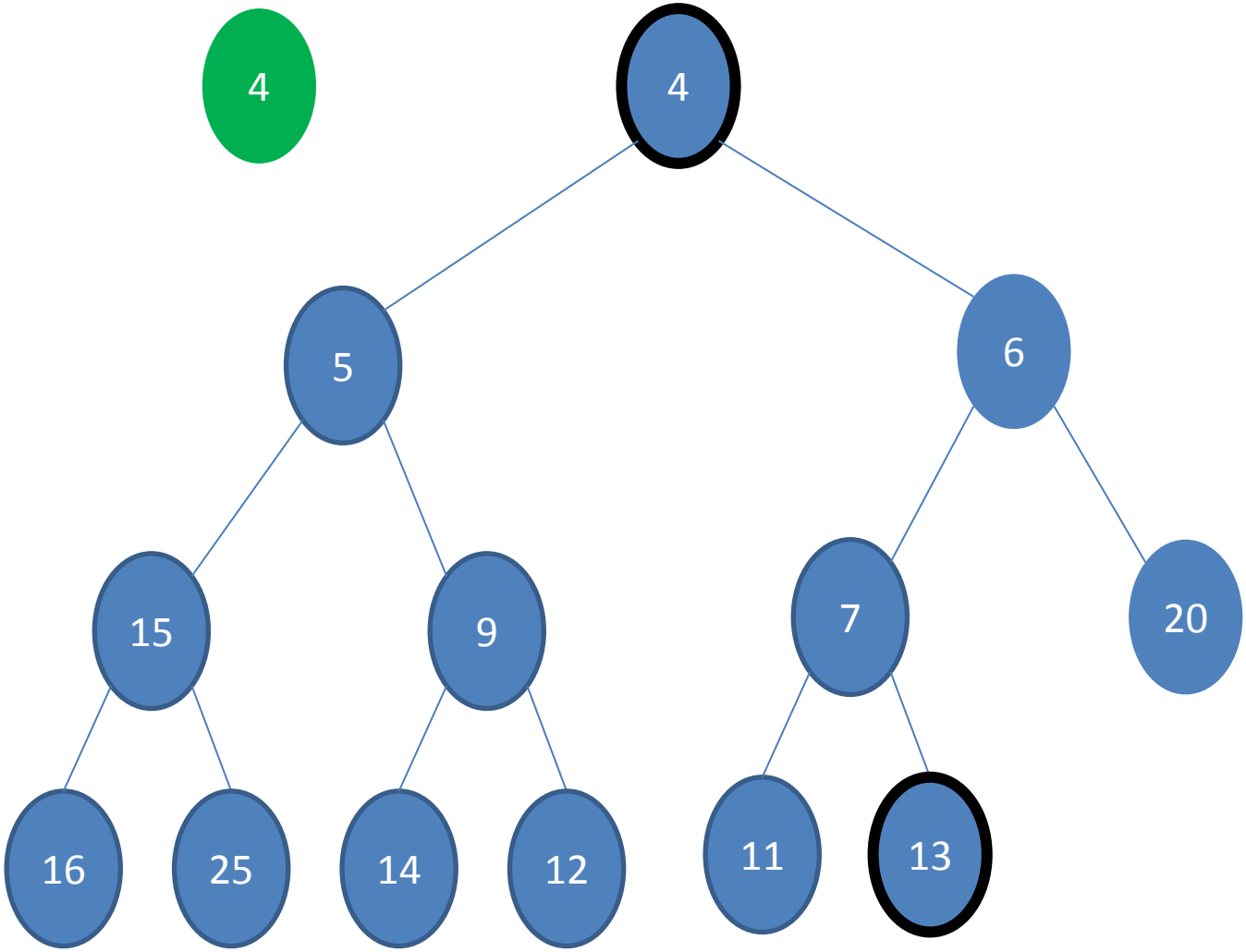

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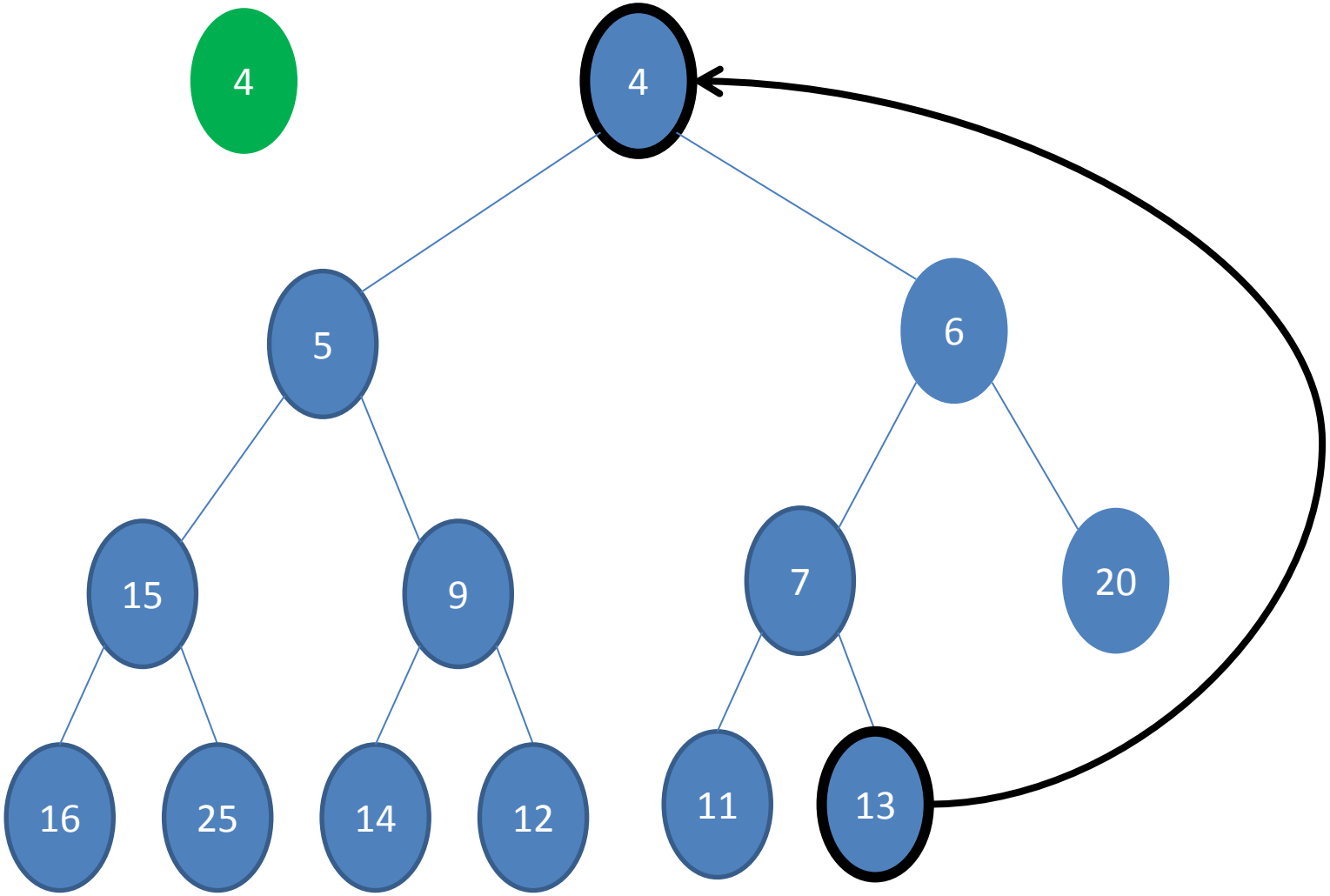

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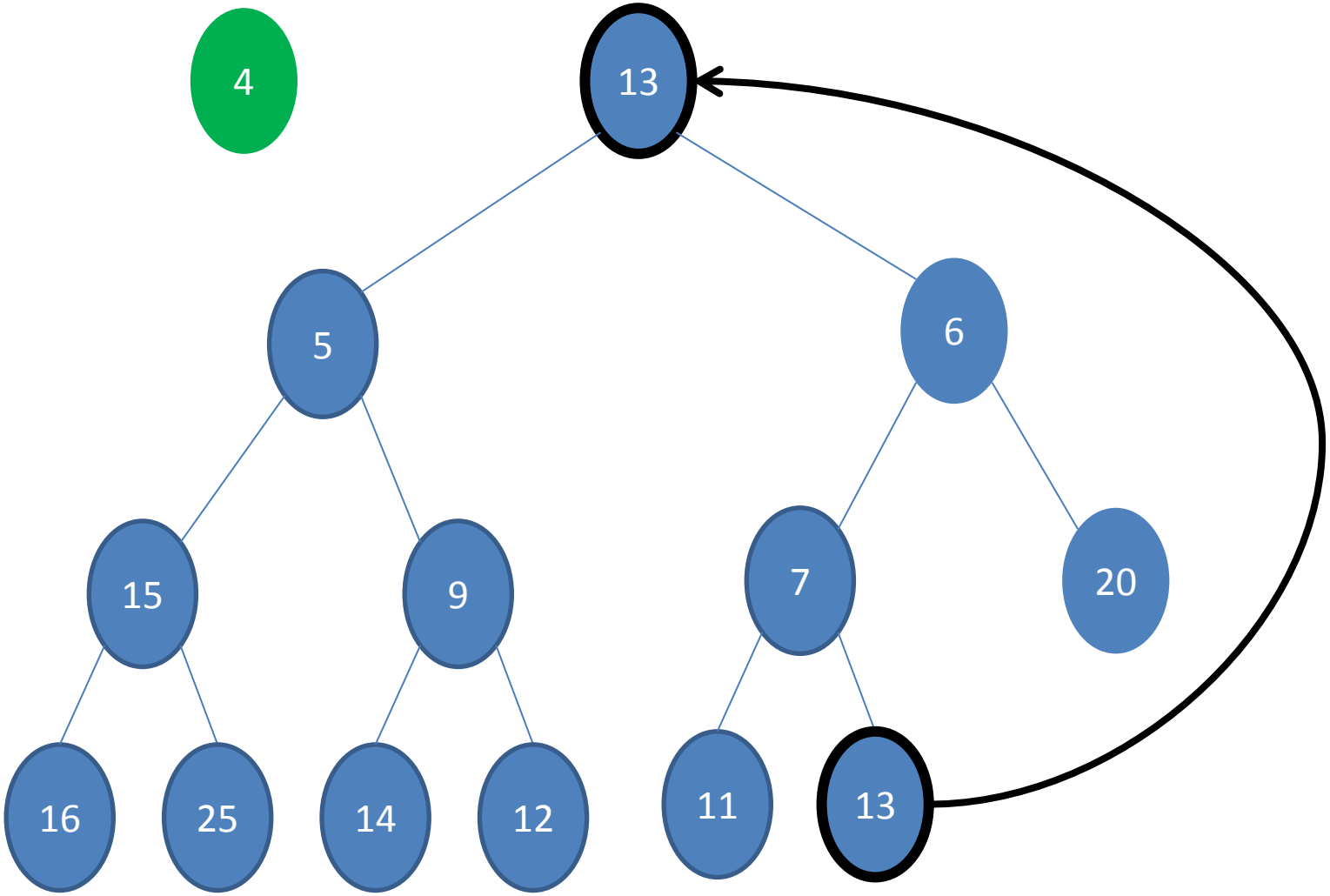

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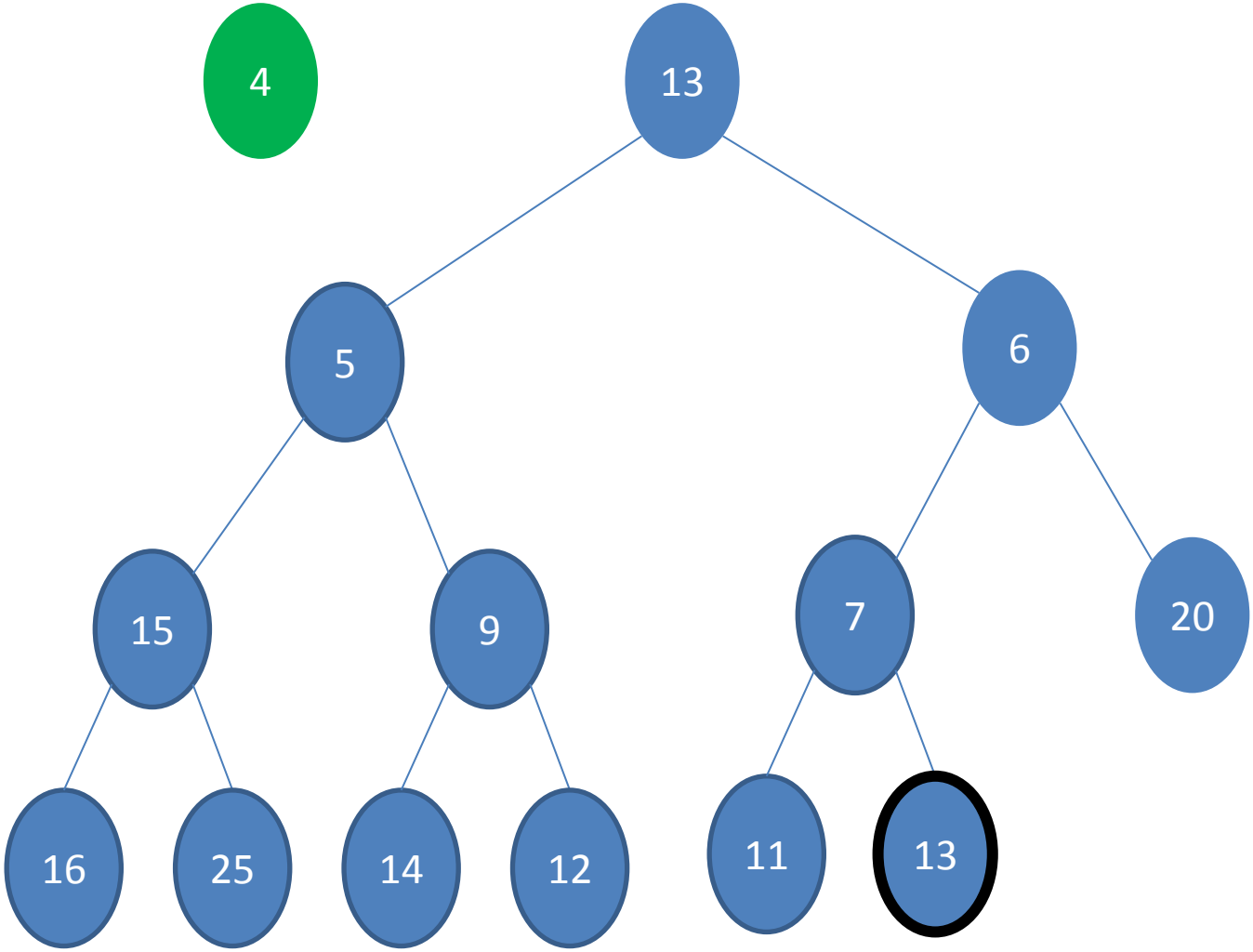

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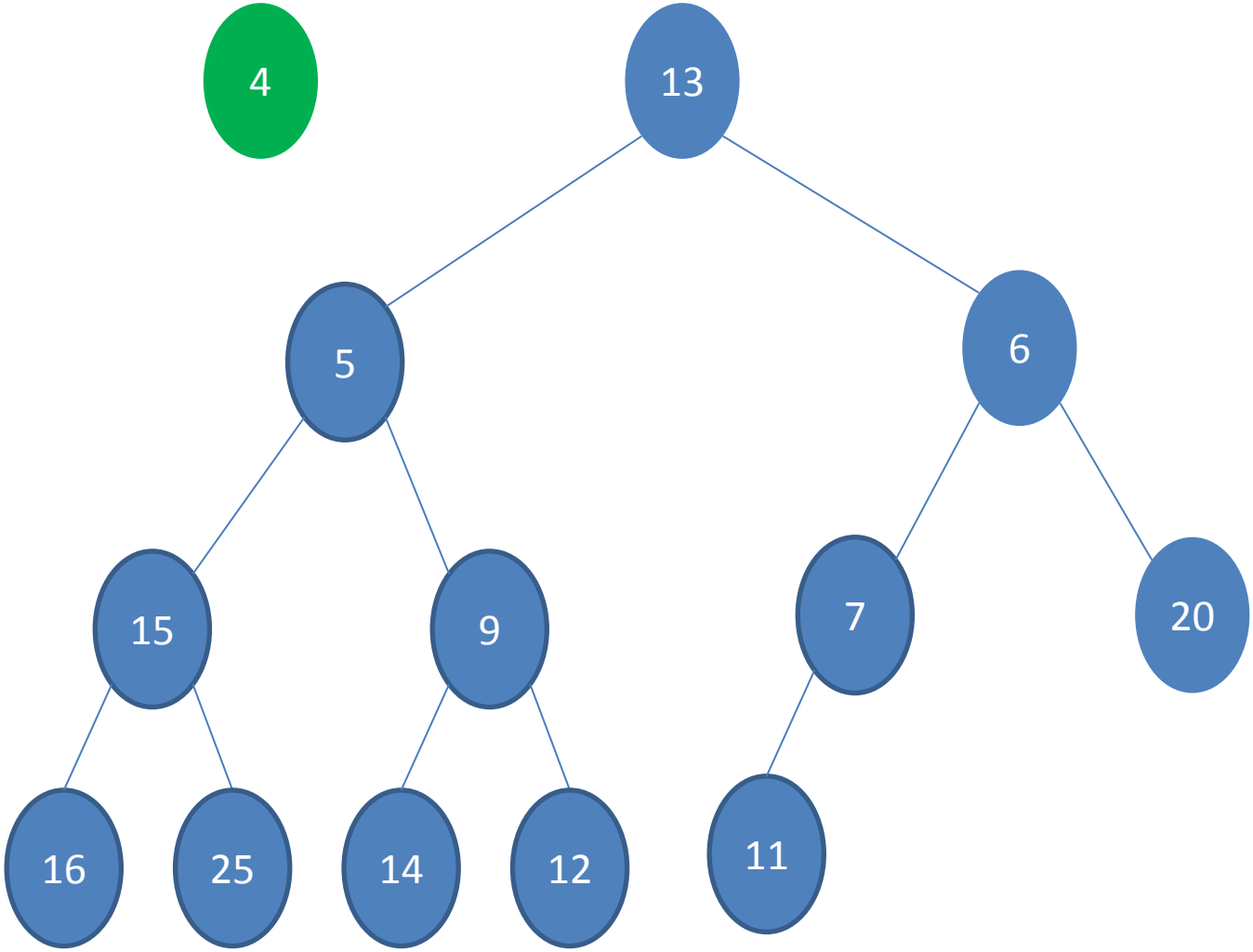

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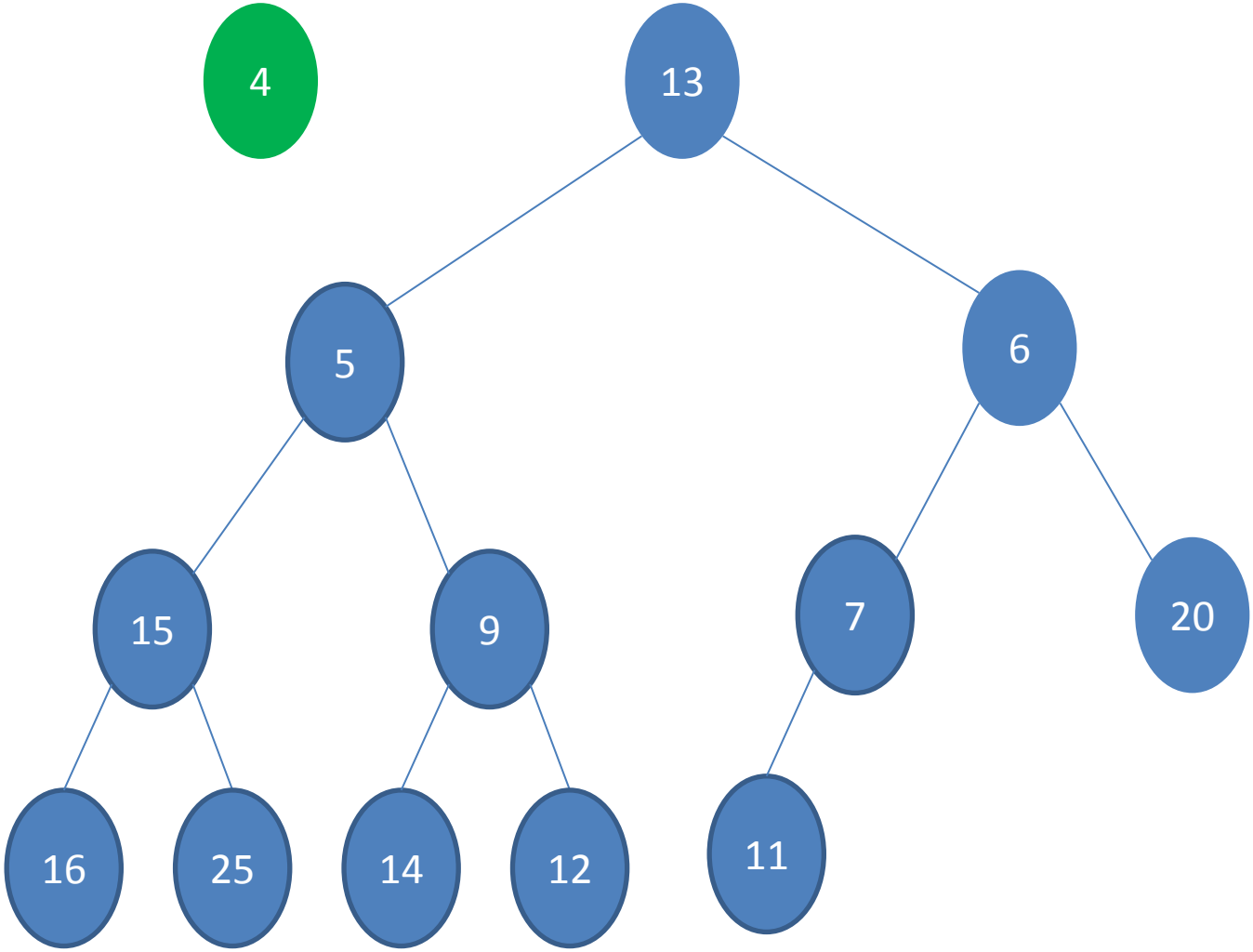

Compare current node with its children

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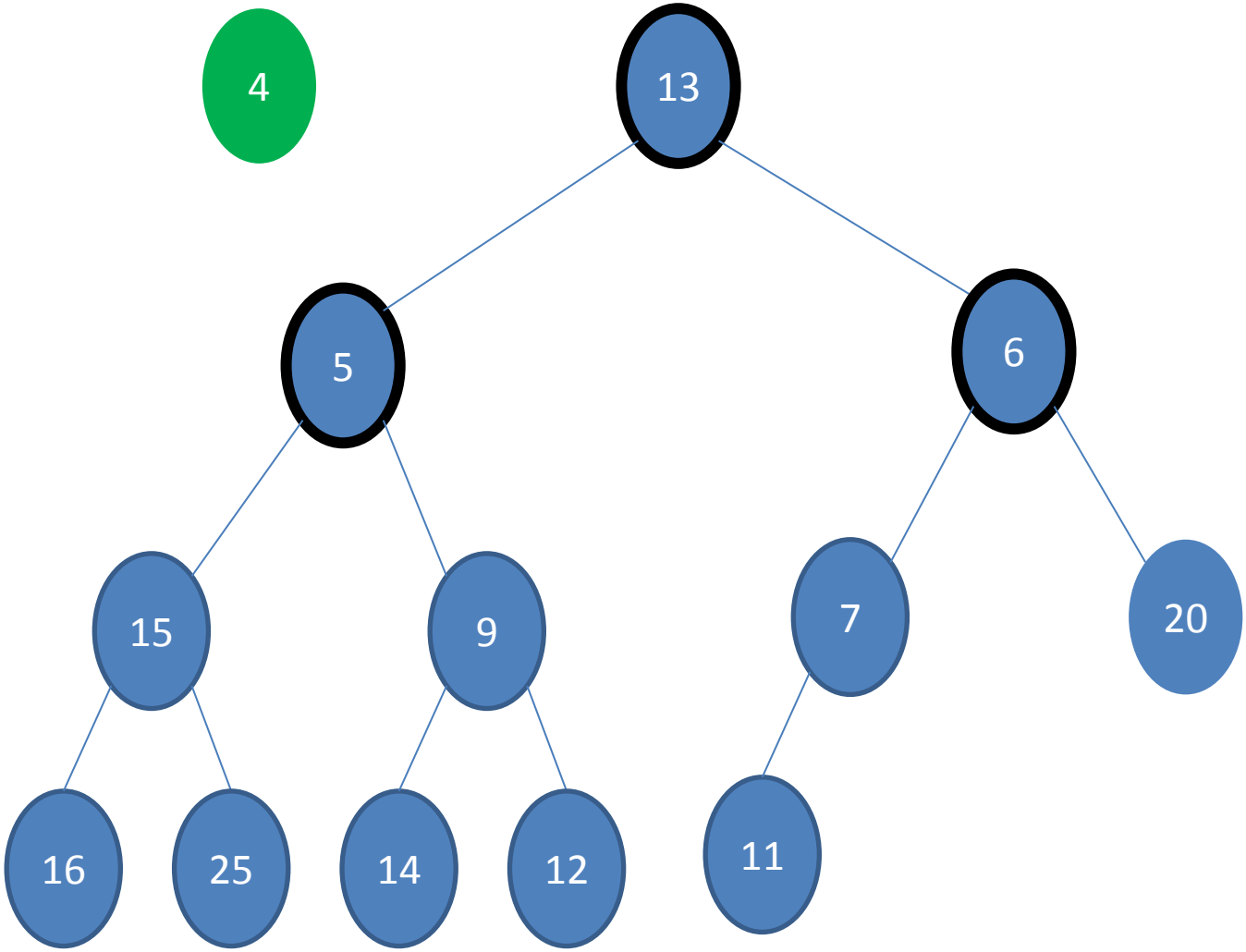

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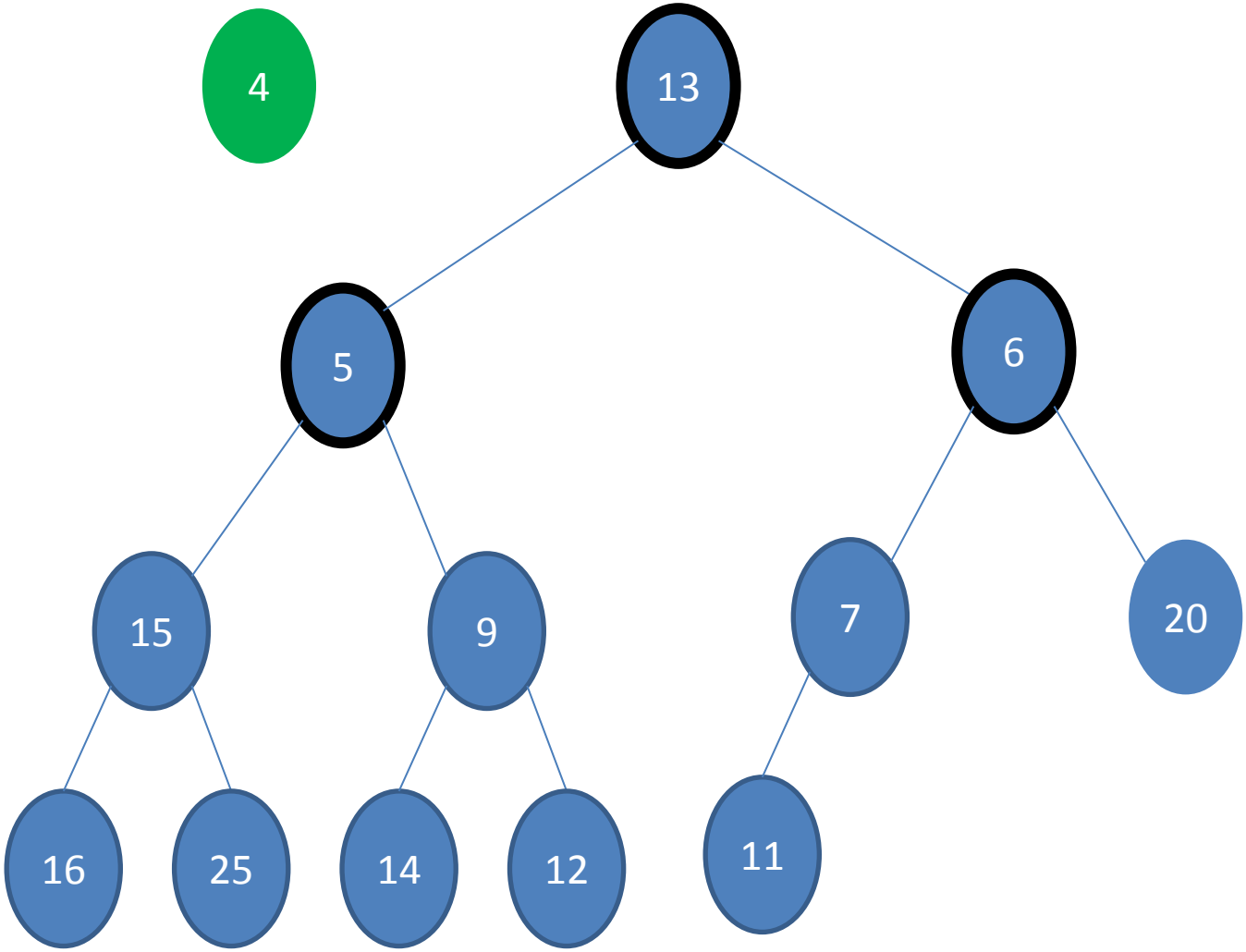

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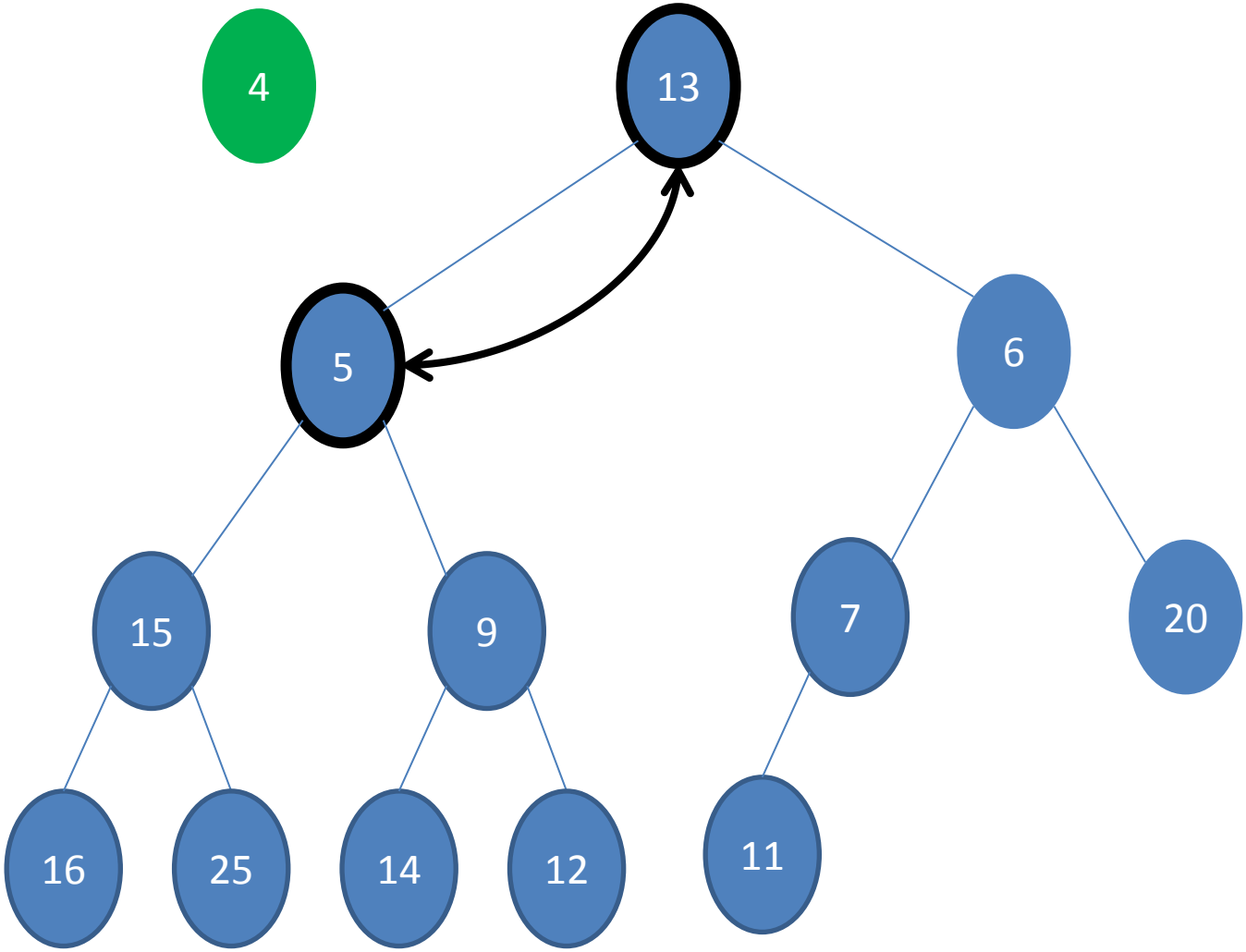

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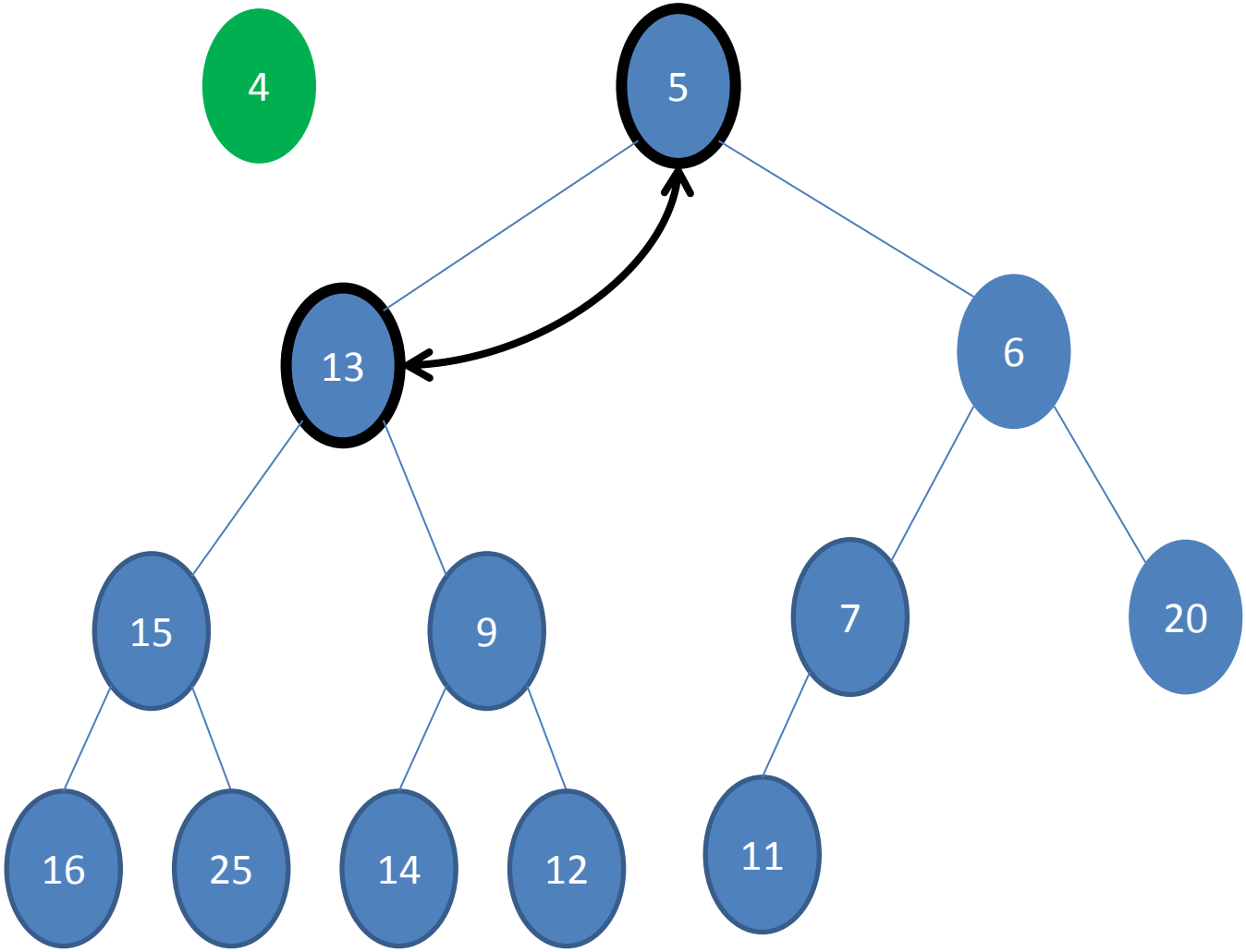

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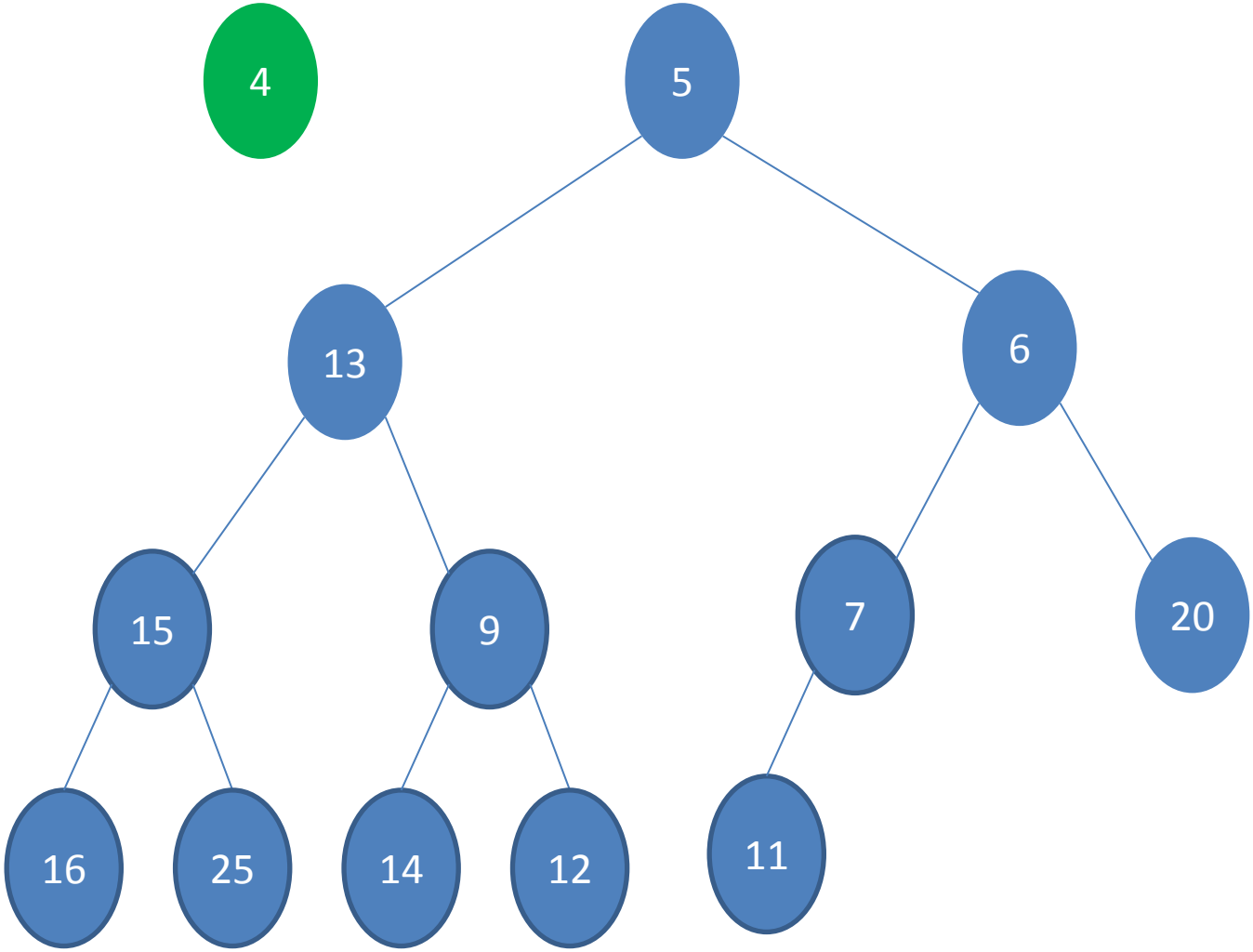

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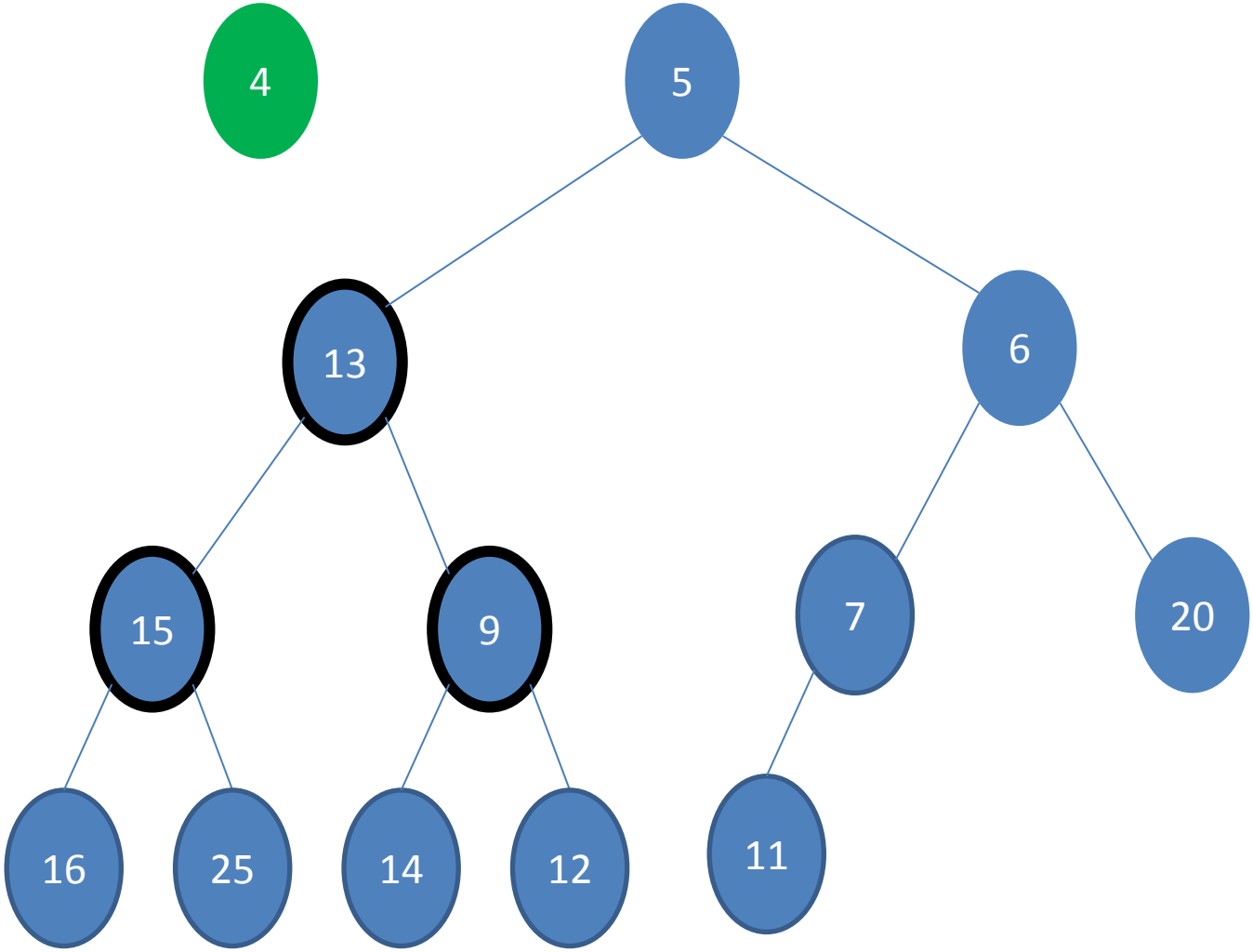

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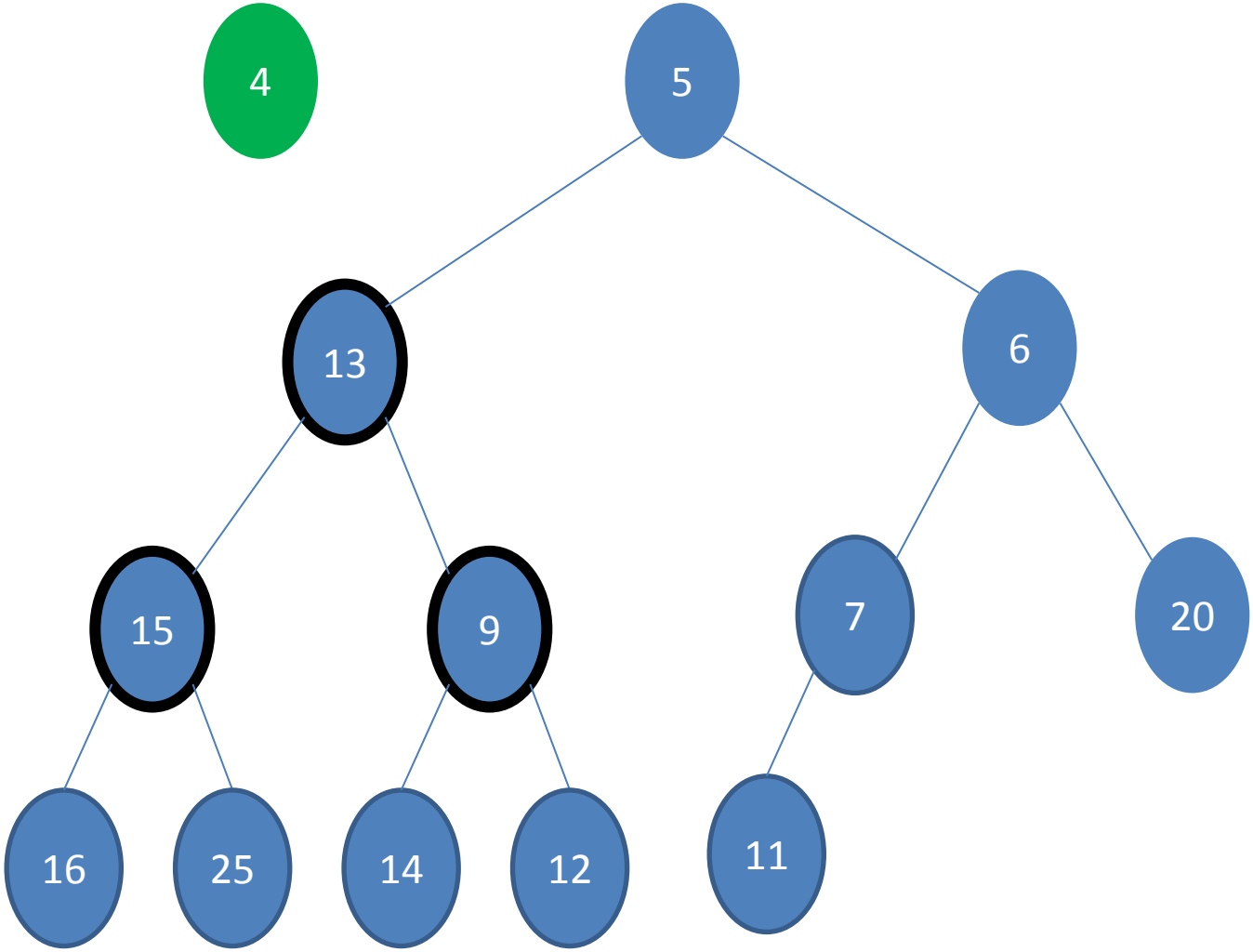

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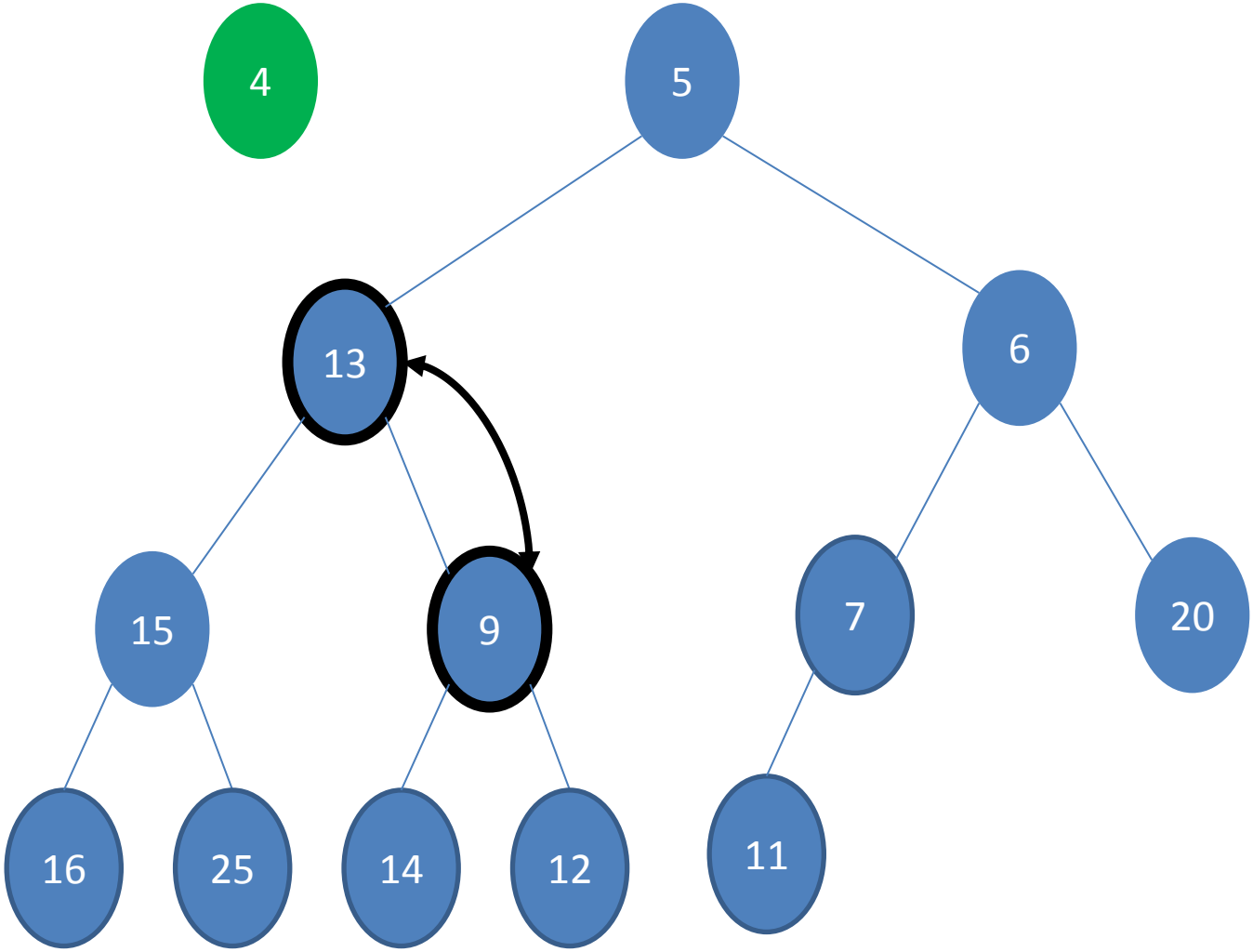

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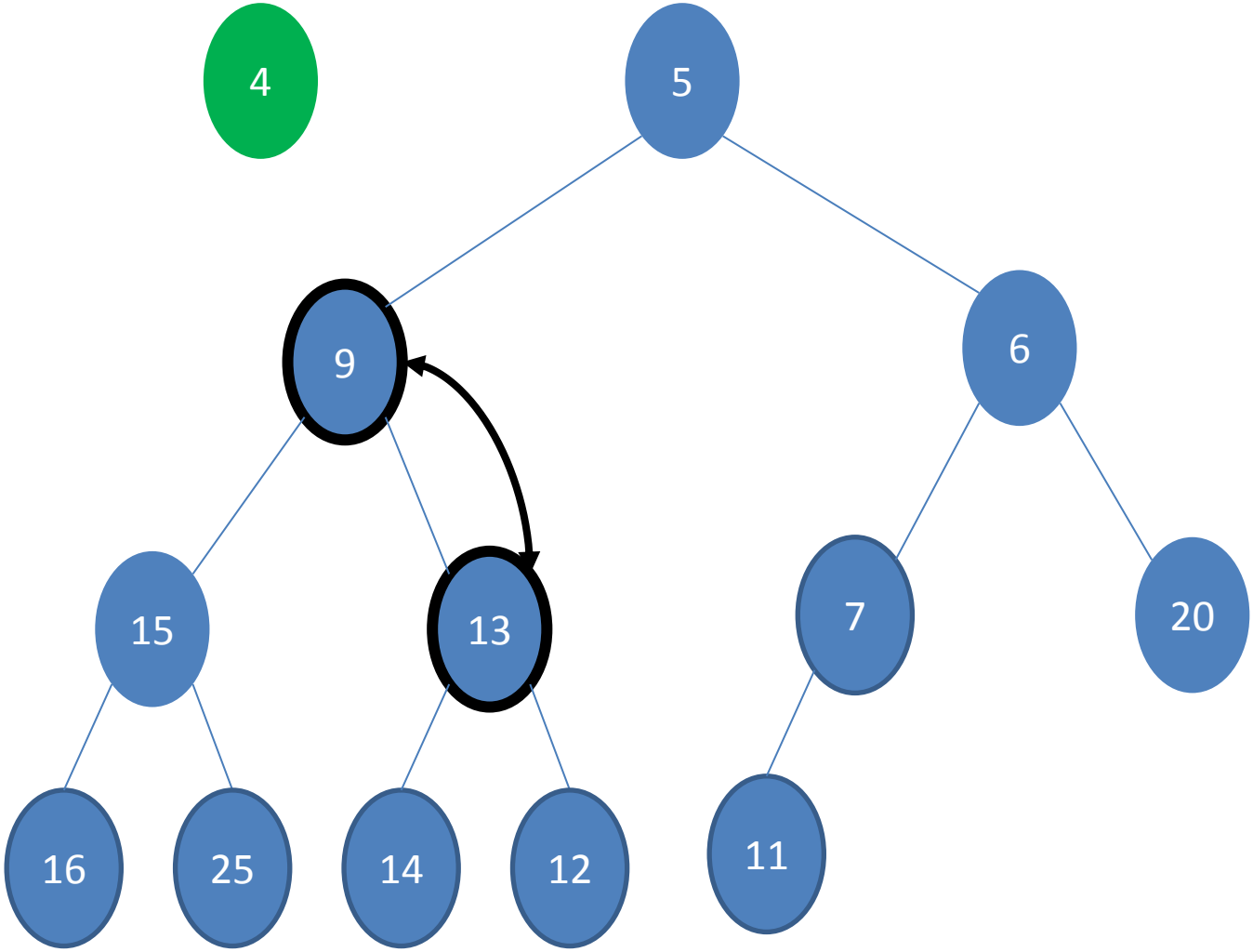

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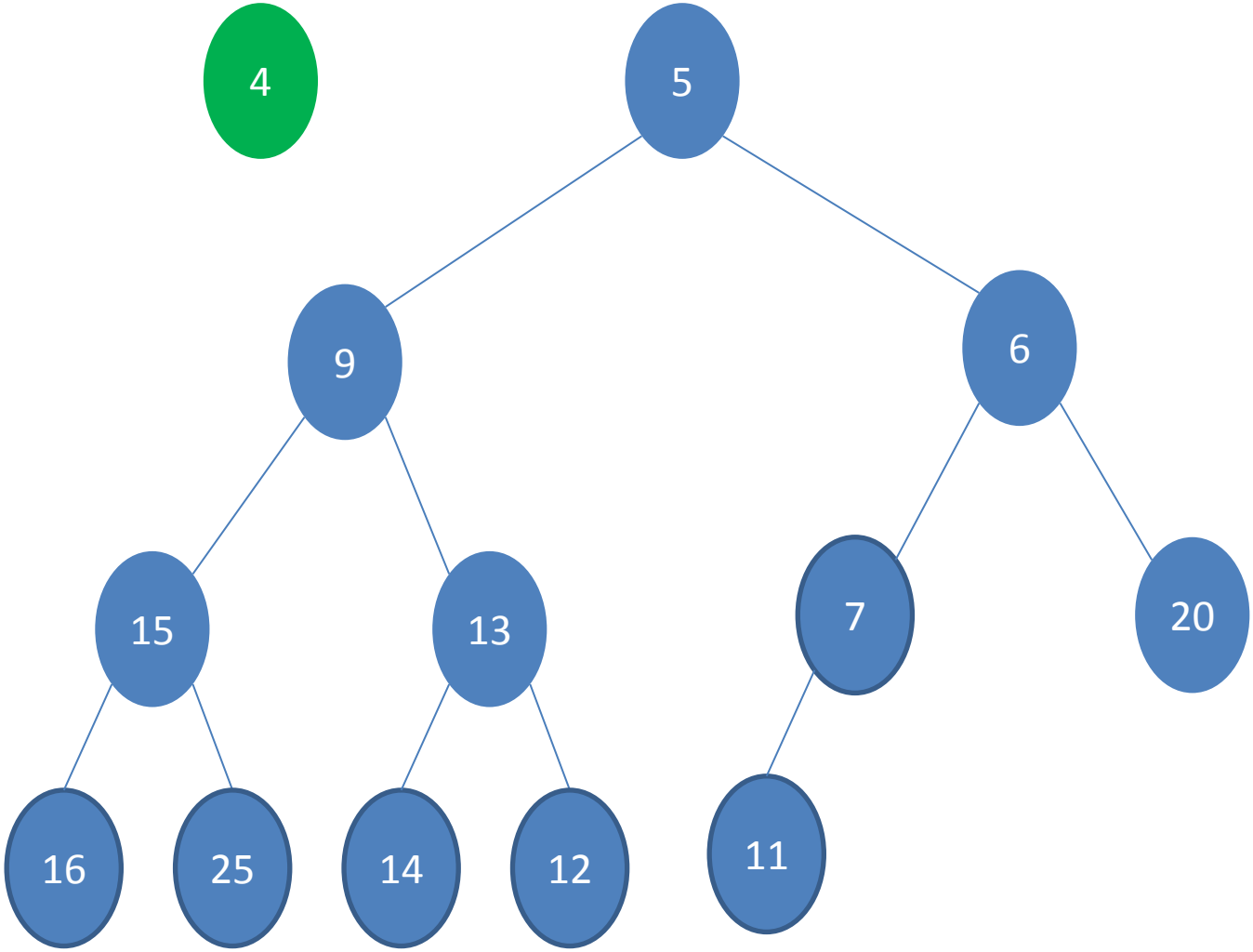

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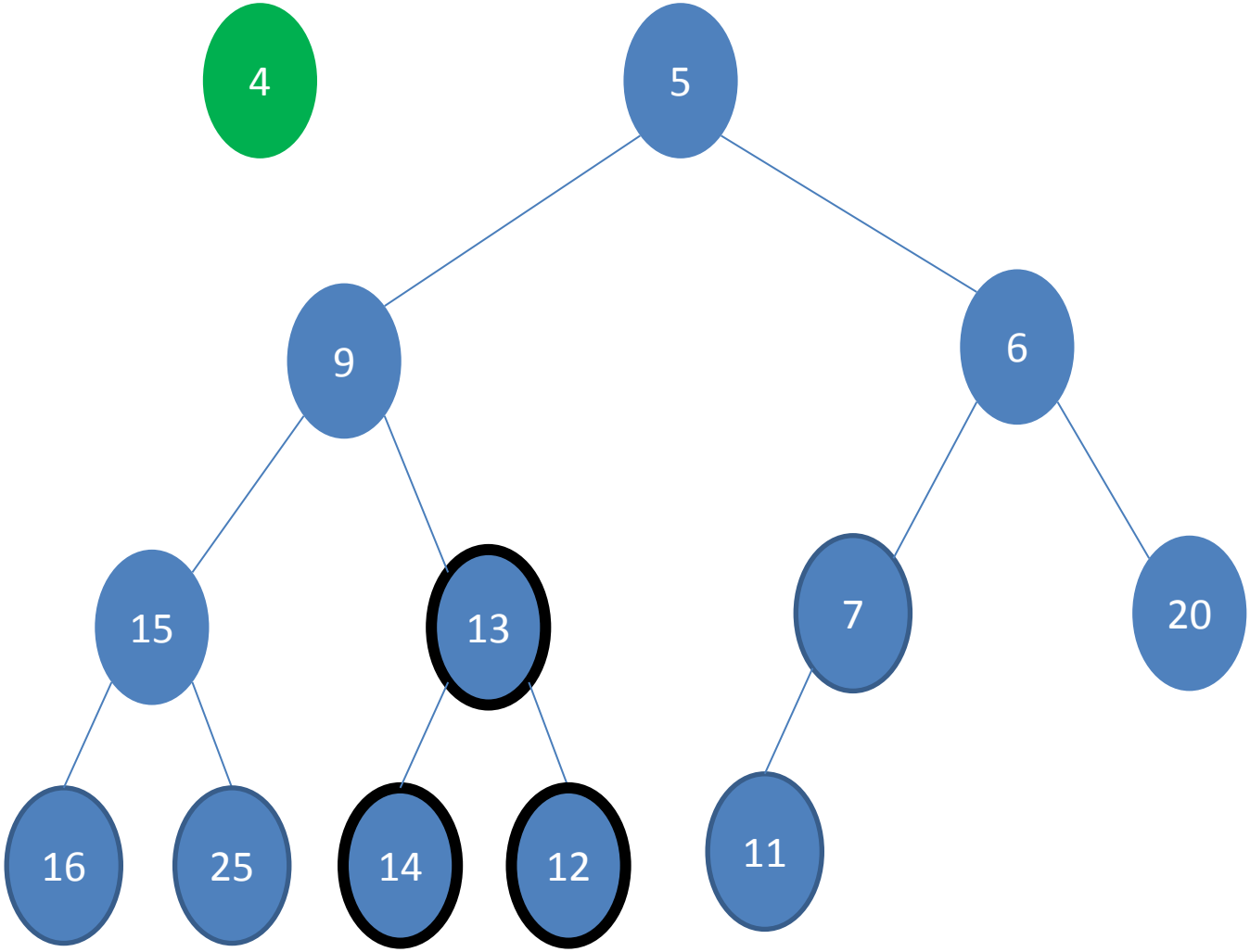

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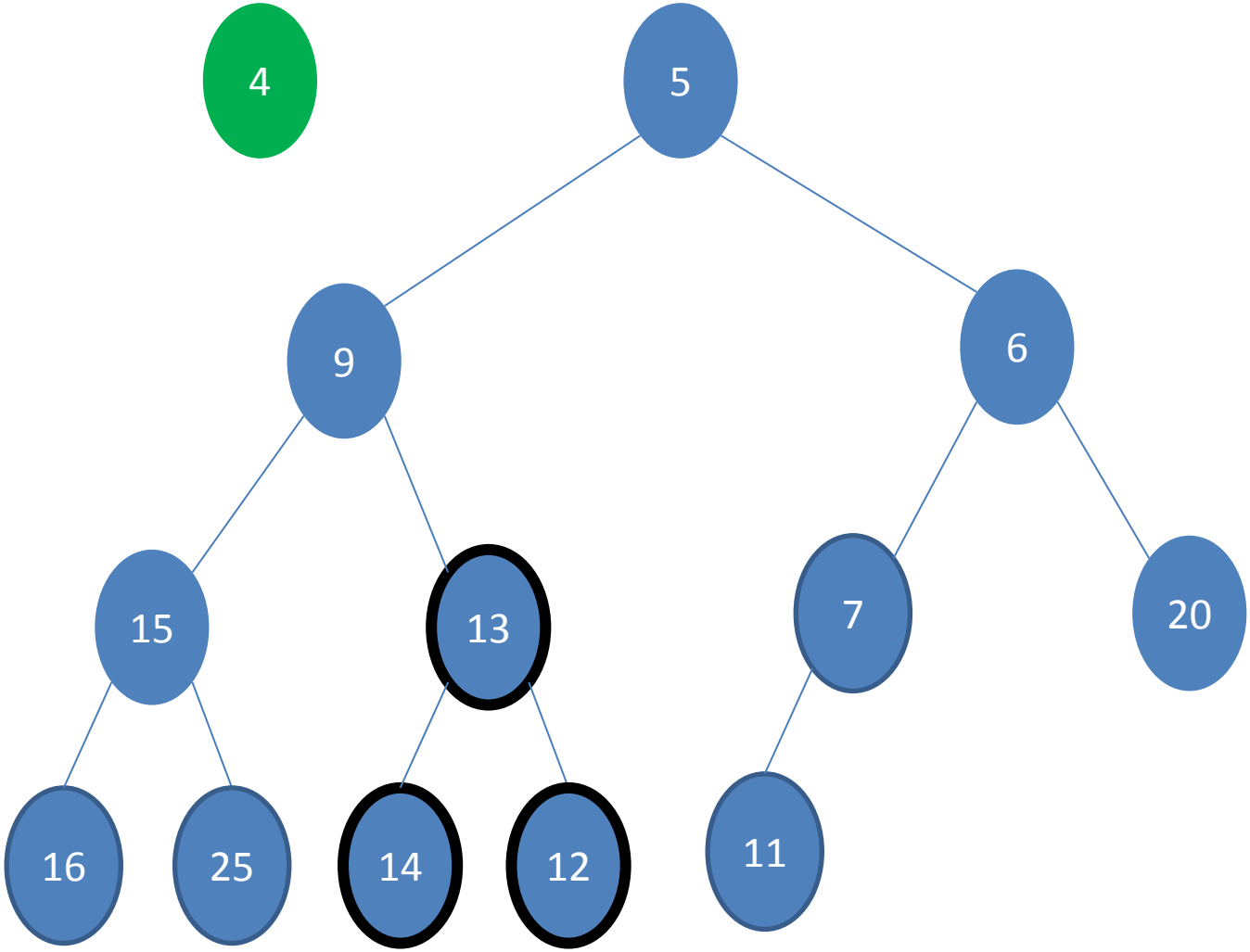

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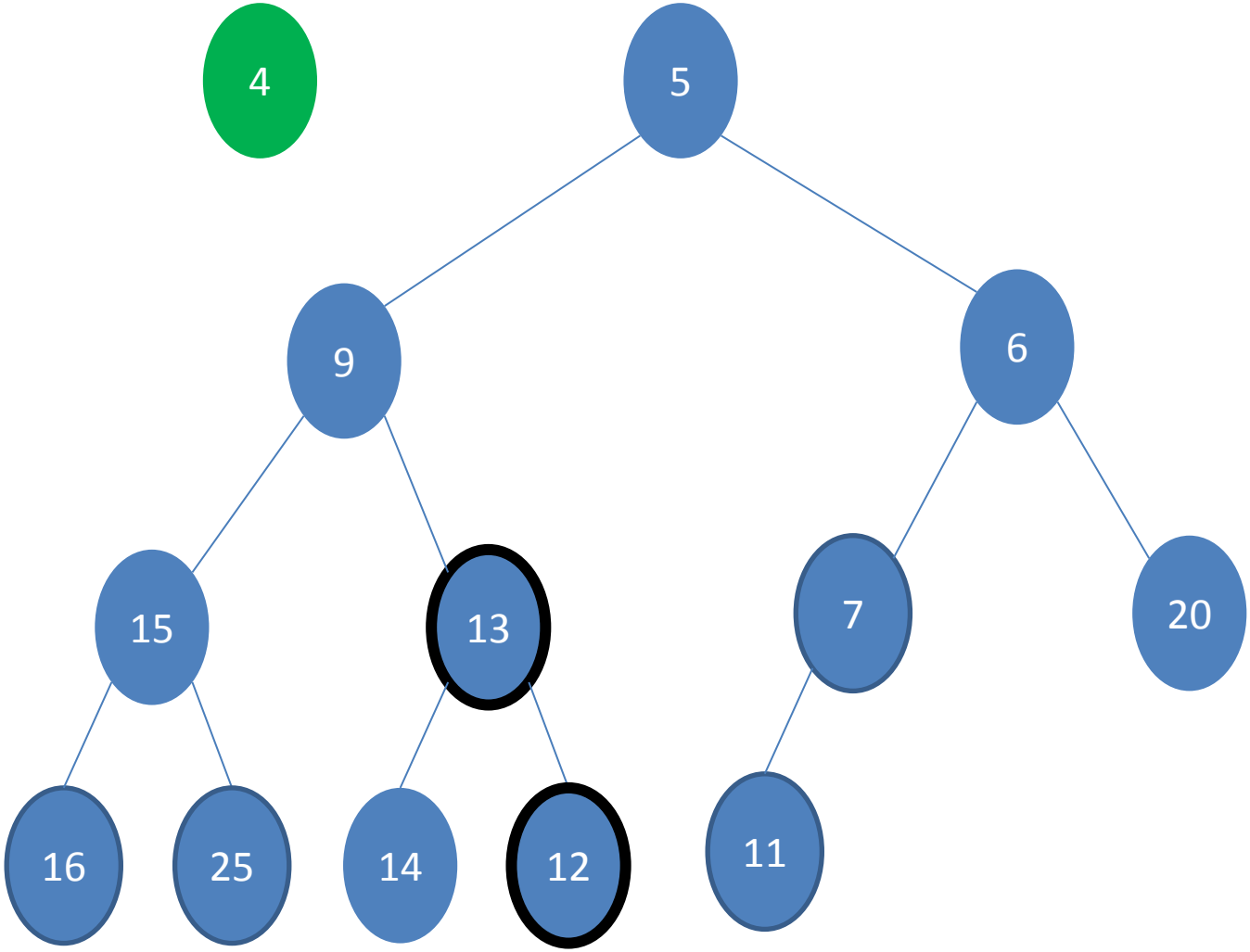

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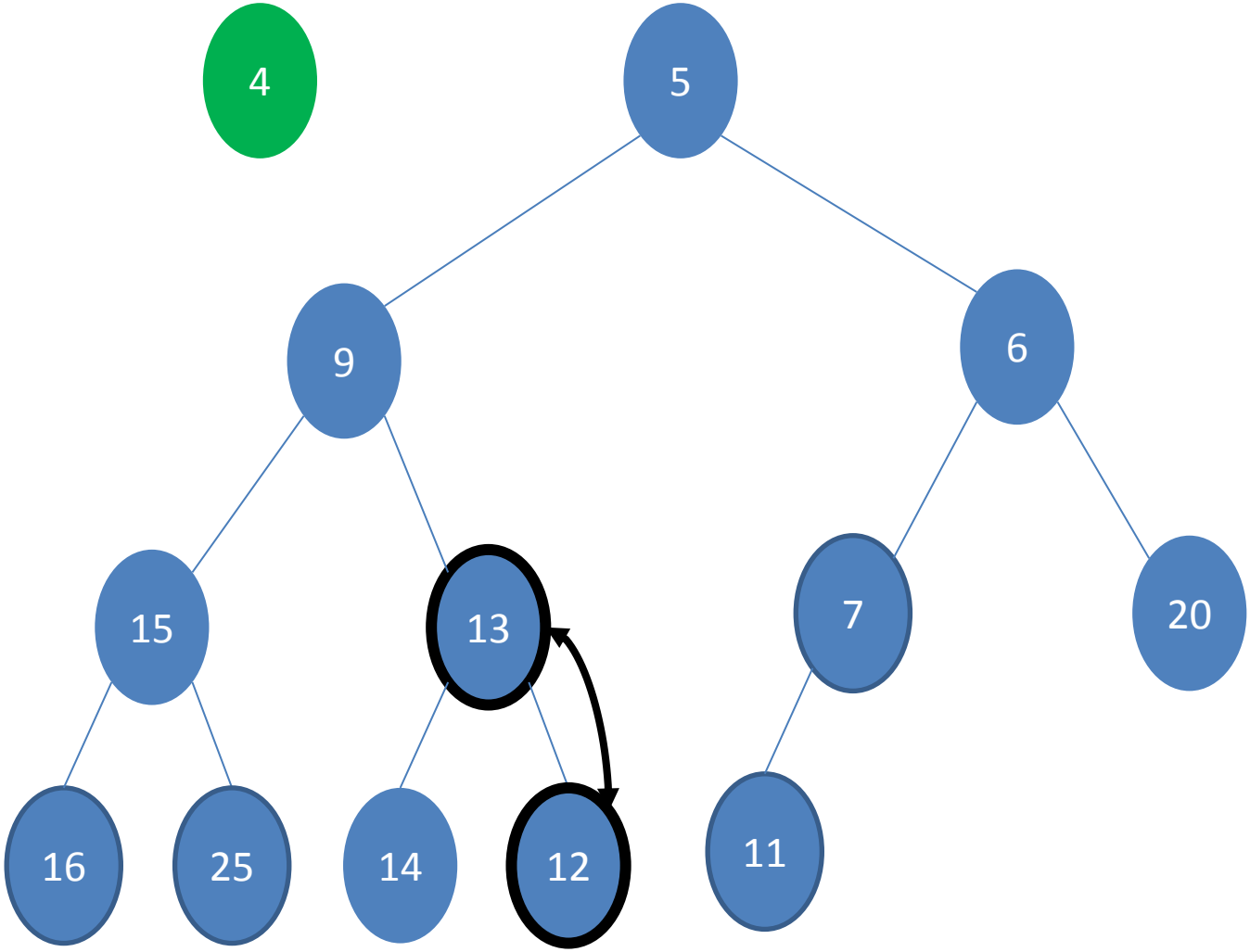

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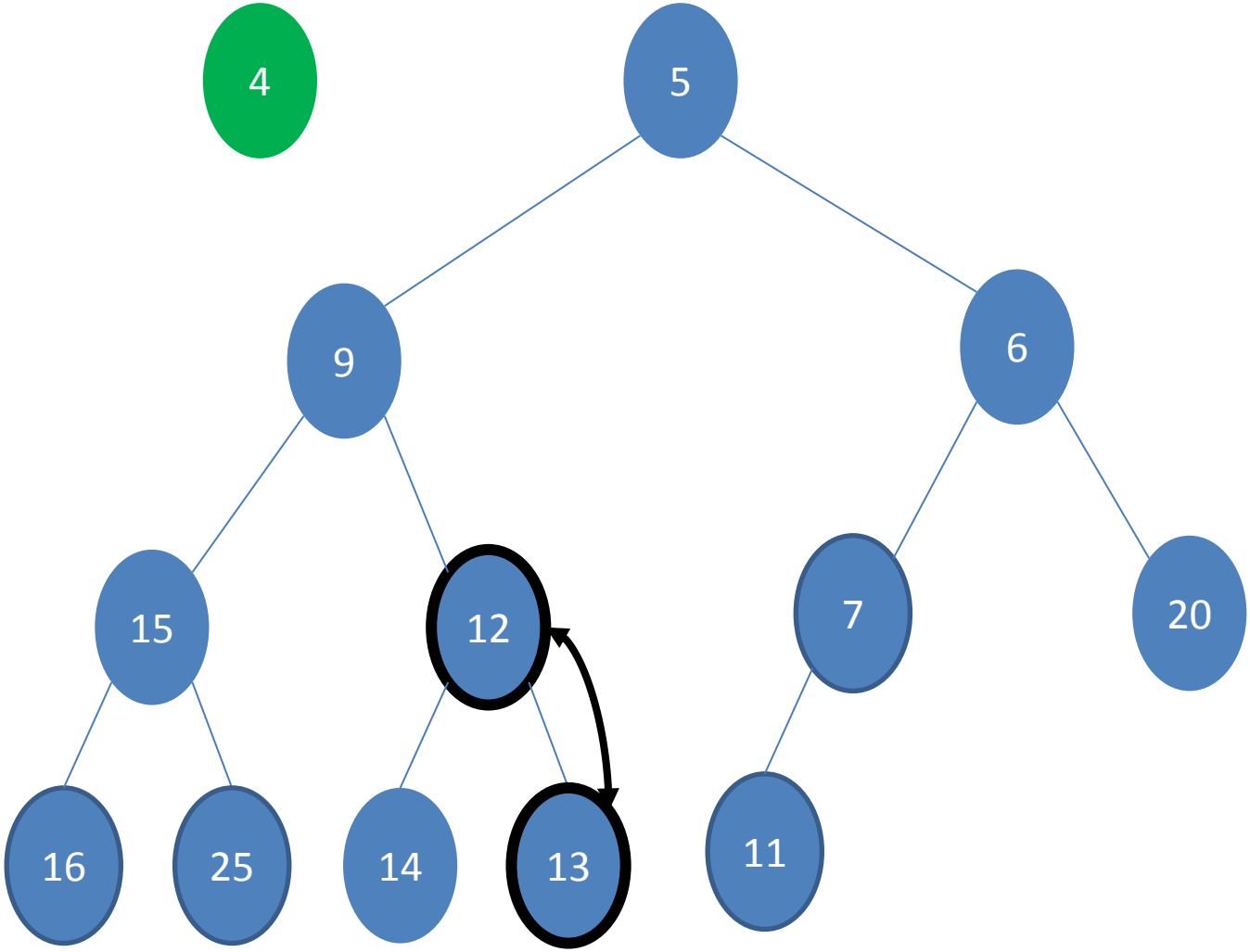

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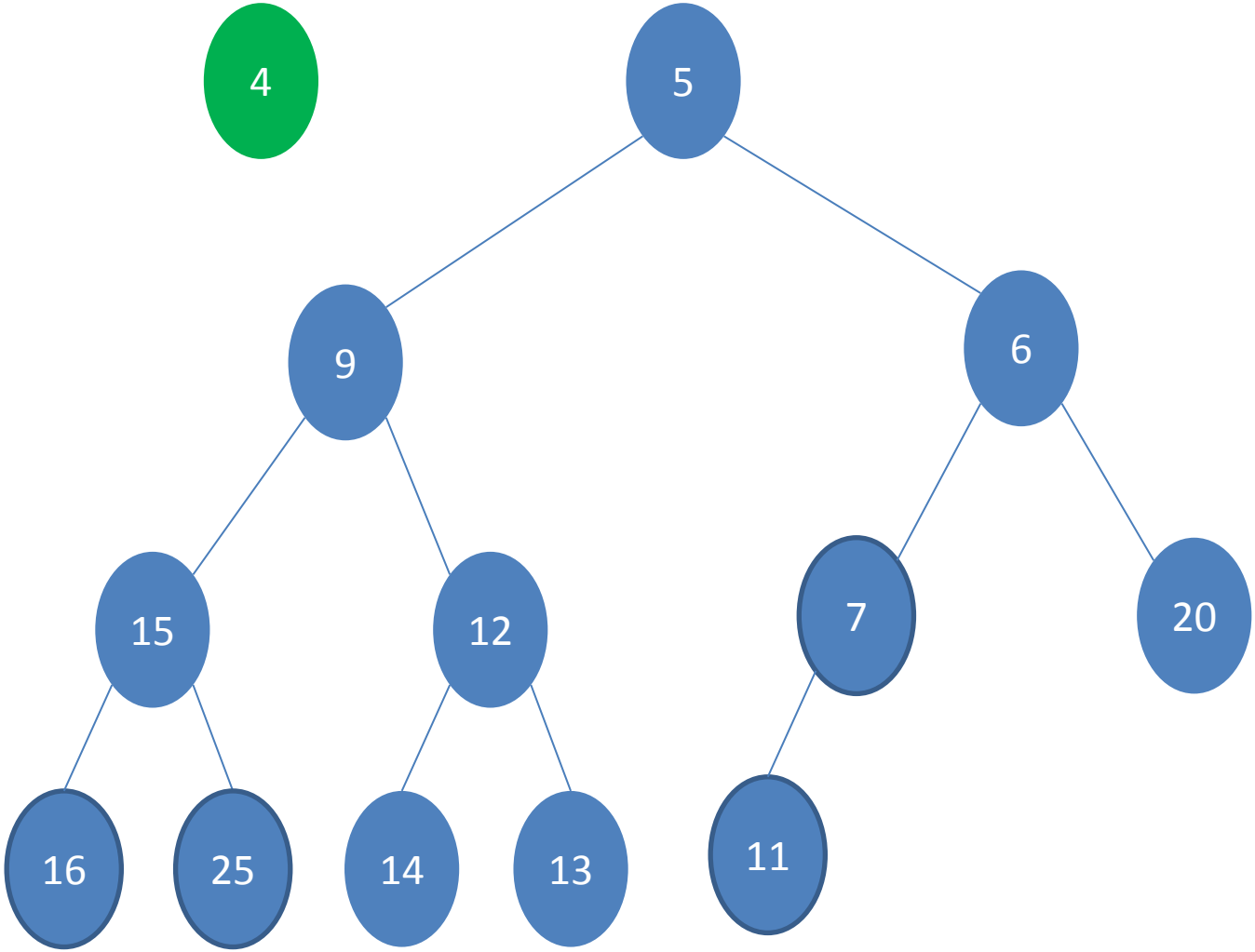

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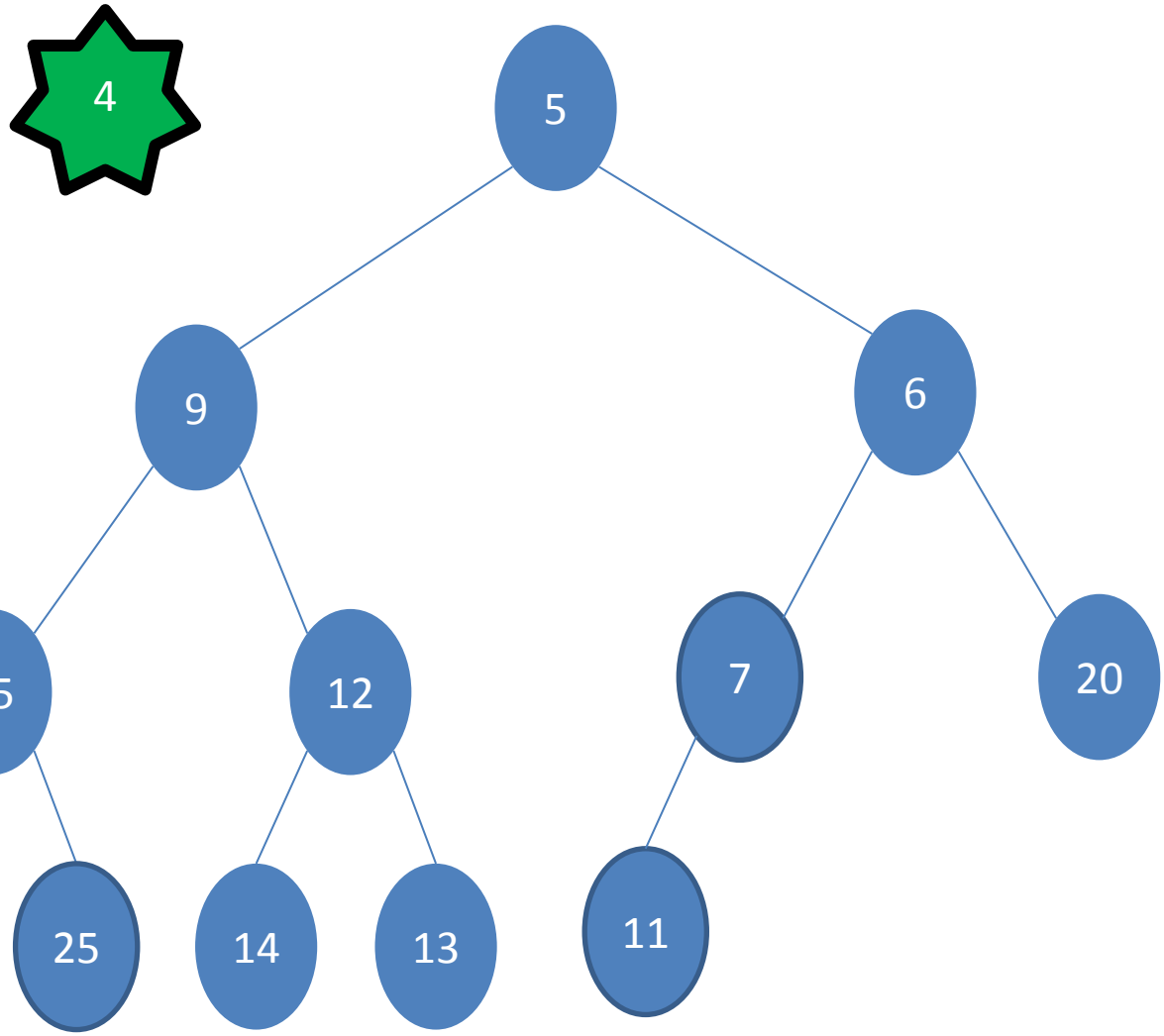

Return result

Example: removal from a heap

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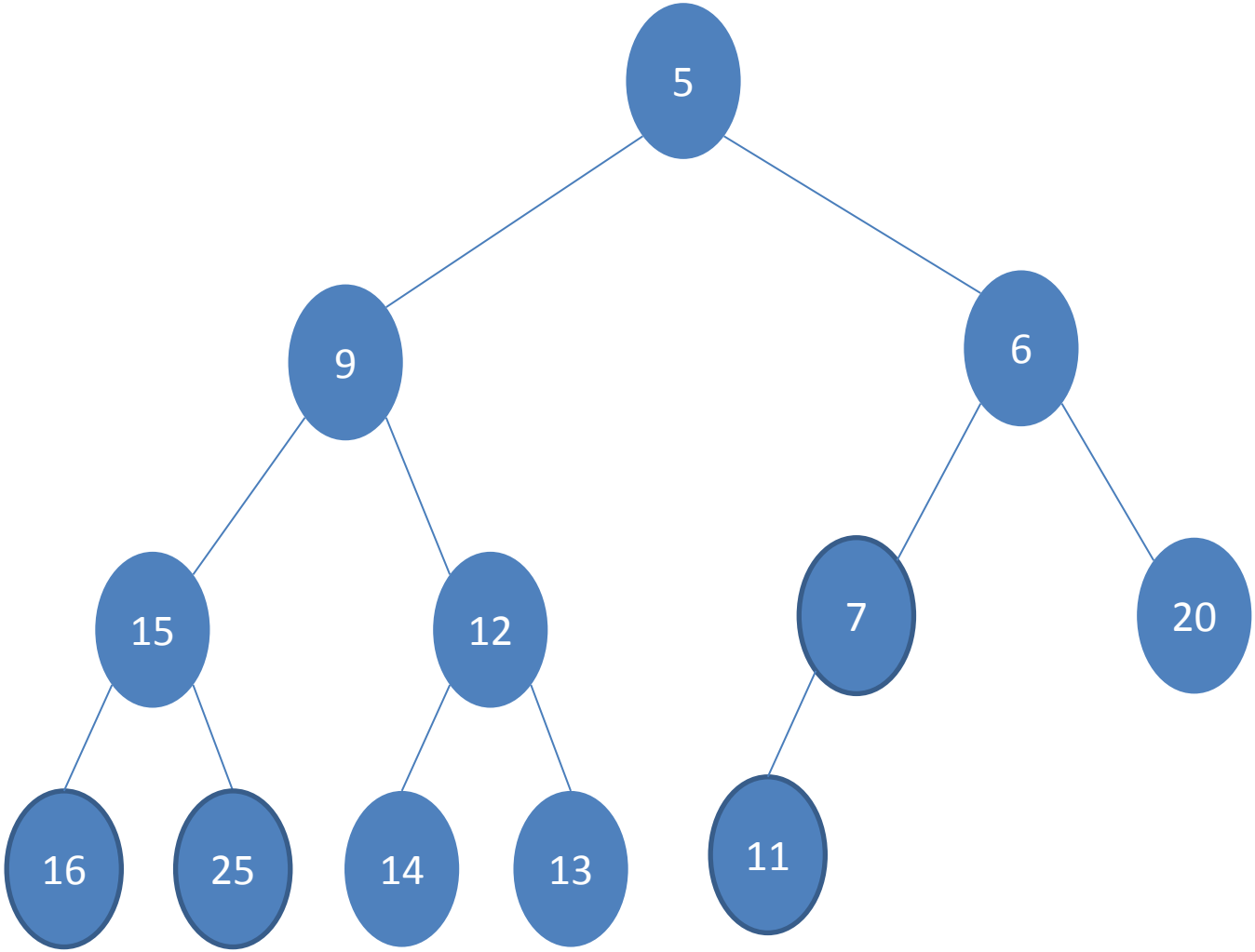

Done ☺

What we just saw

upheap bubbling: when we add to the heap

downheap bubbling: when we remove from the heap

Add and remove are O(log(n)) processes

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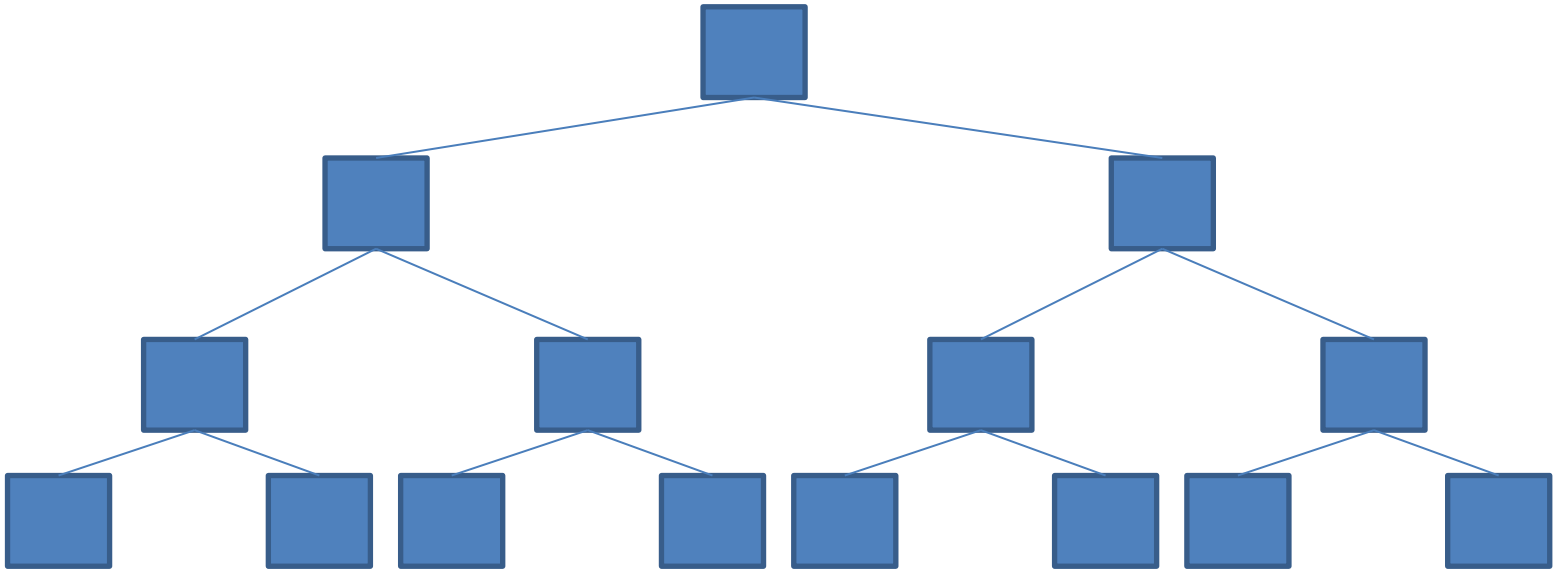

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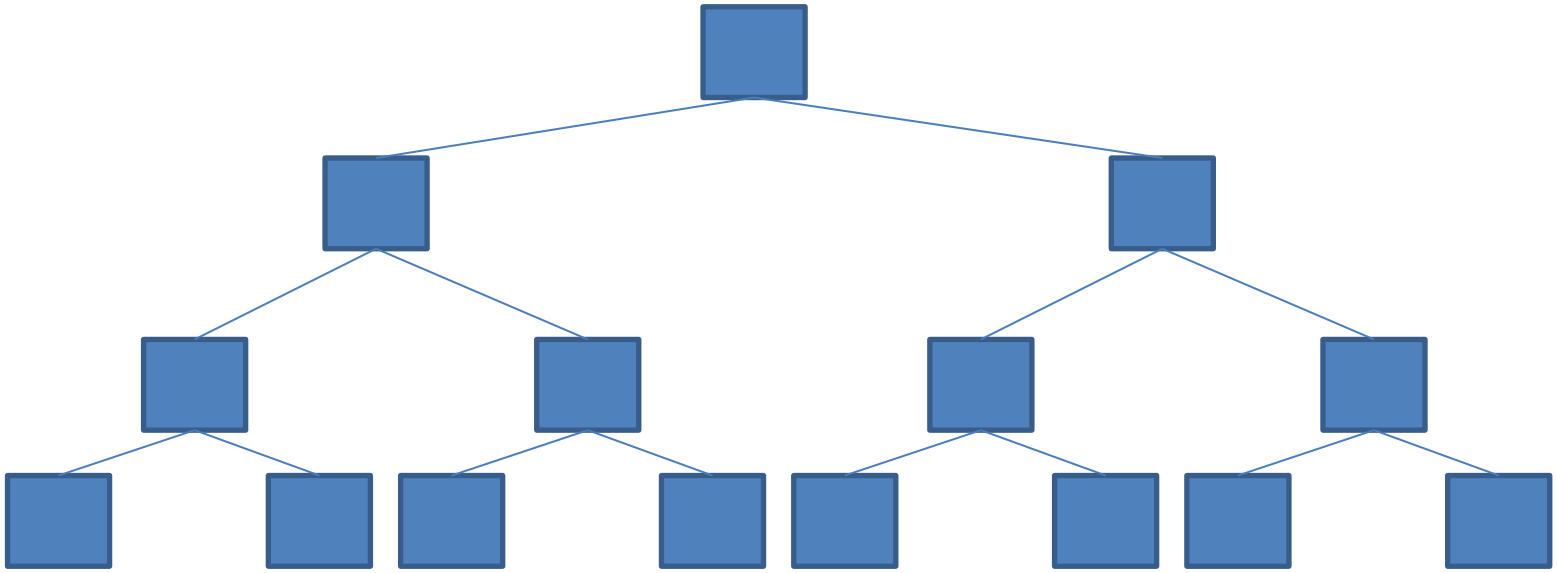

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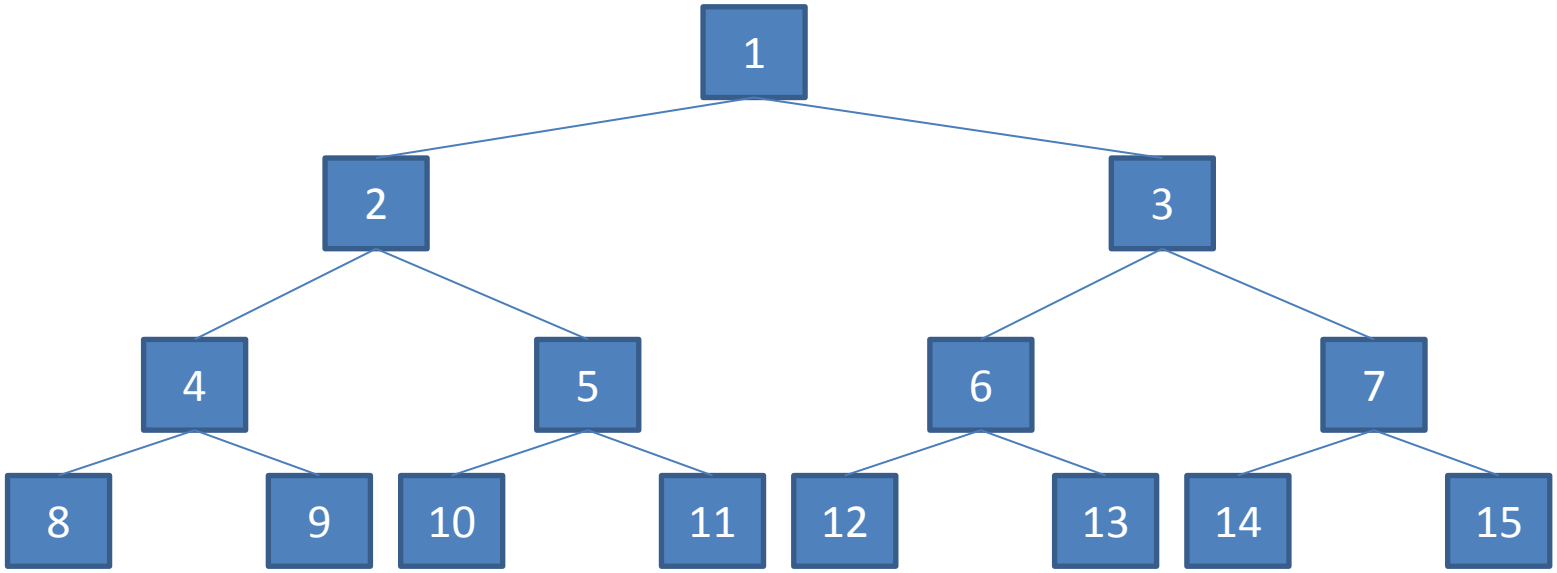

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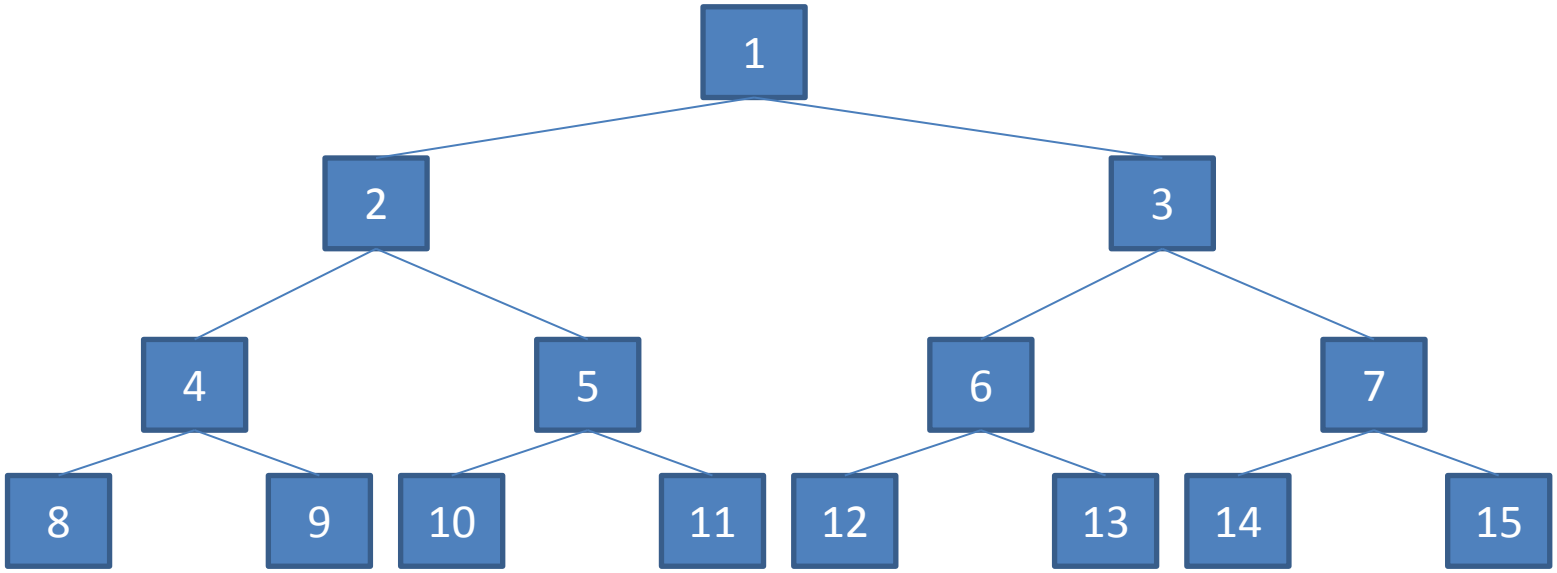

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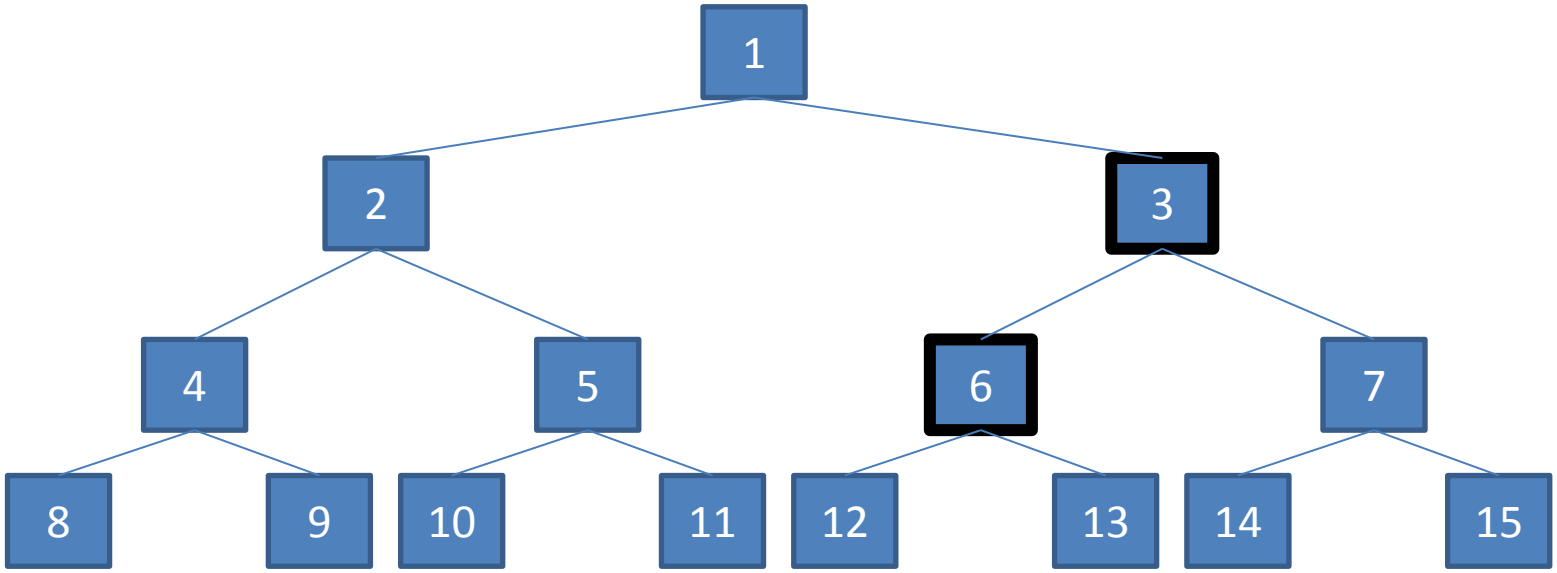

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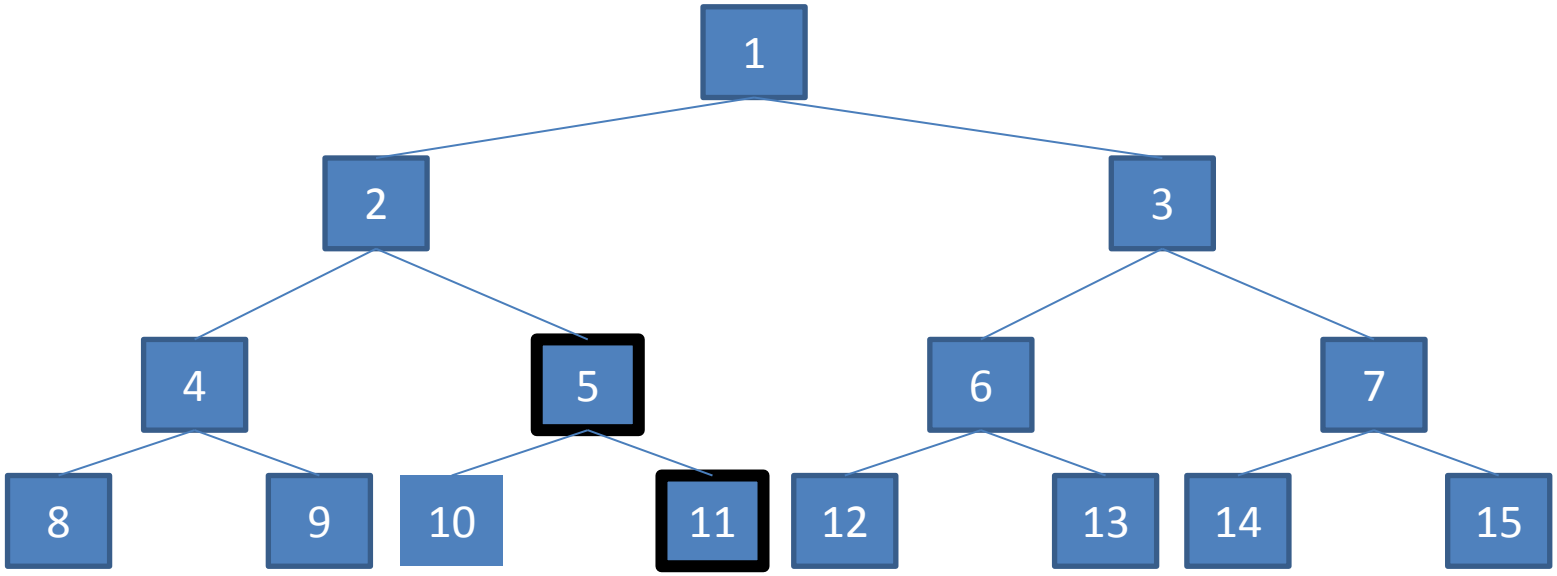

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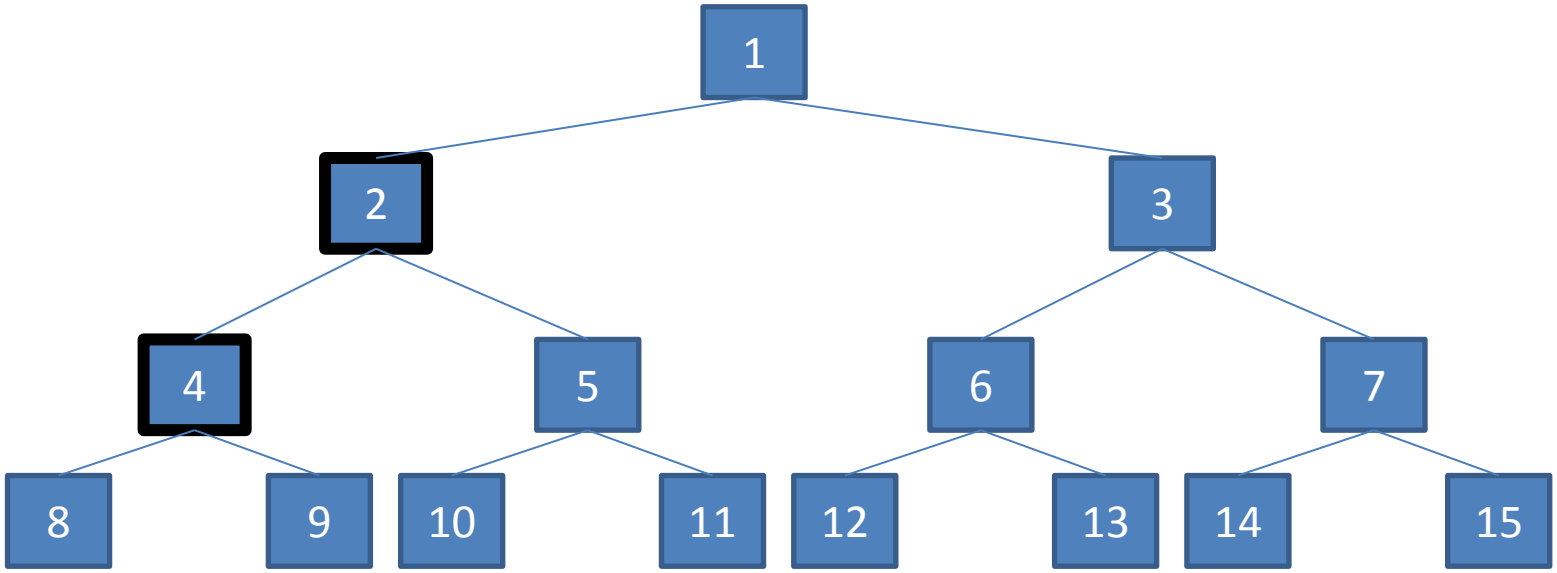

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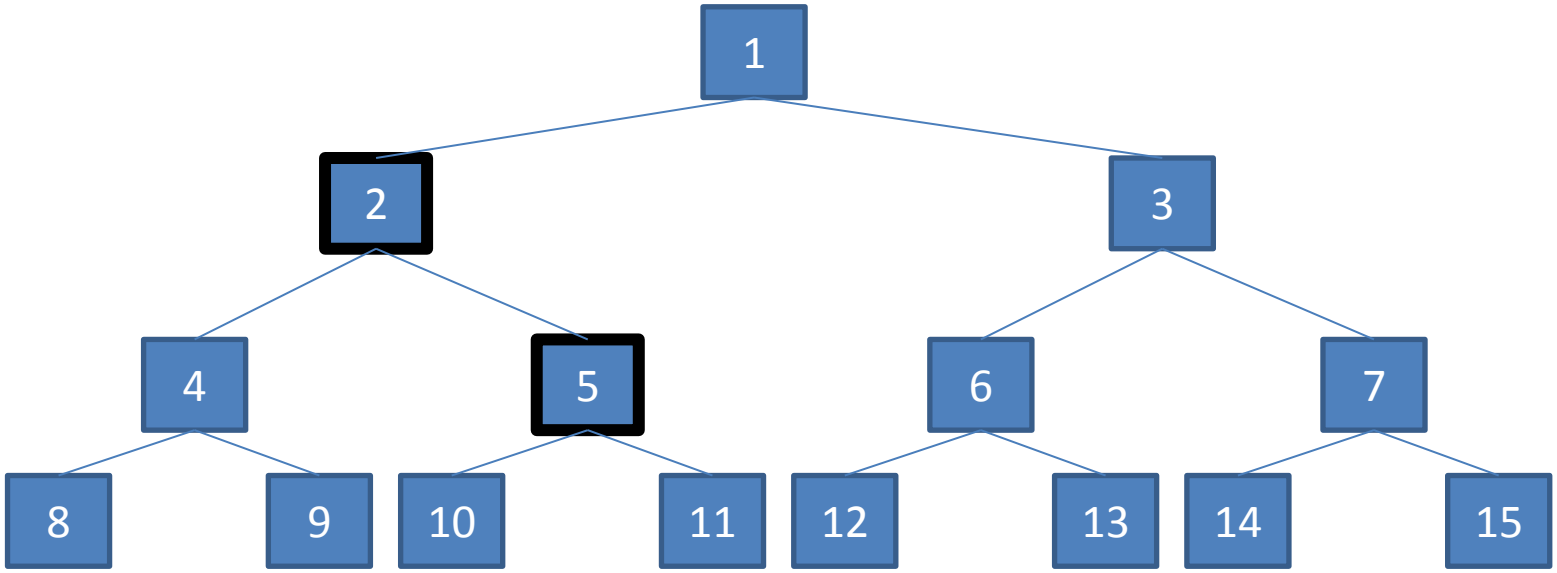

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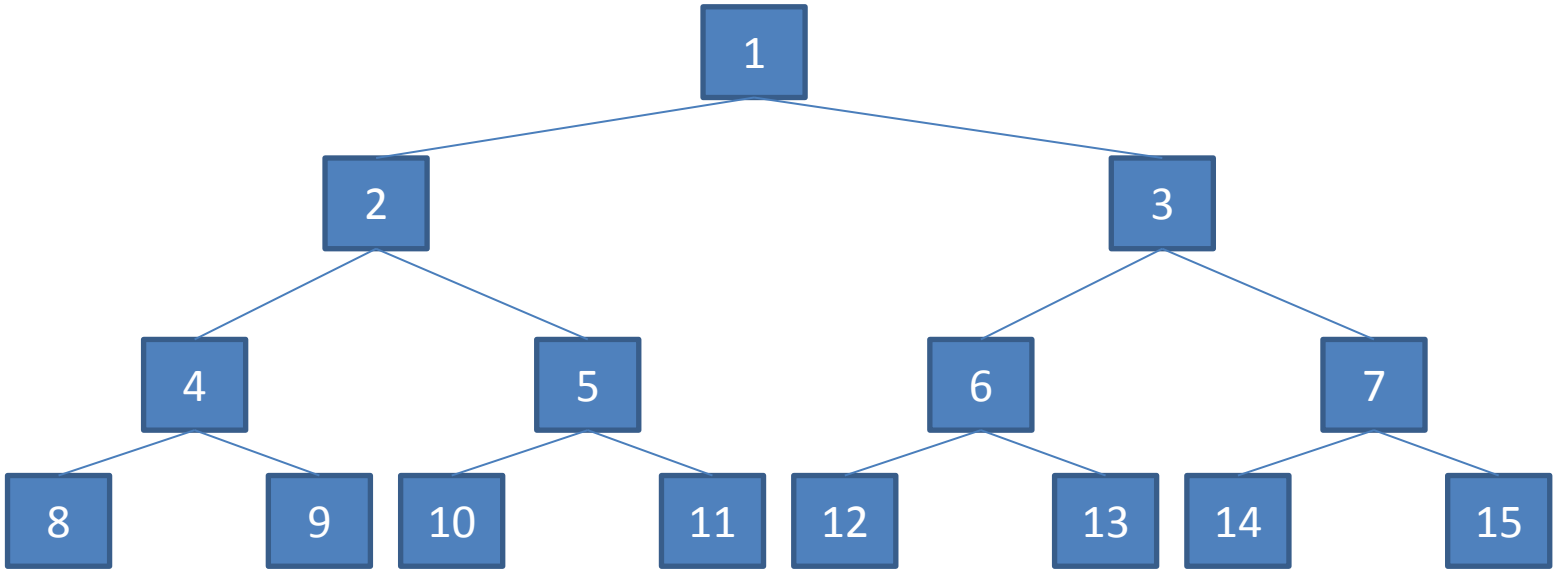

Represent as a one *dimensional* array

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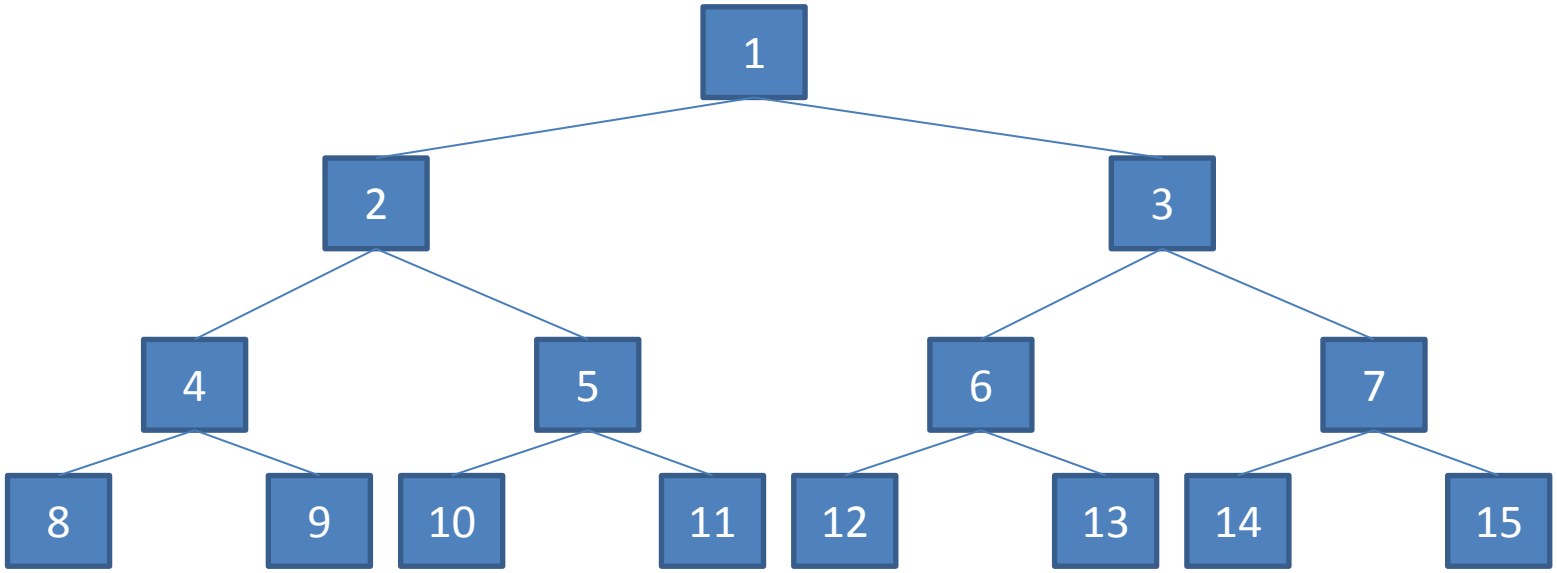

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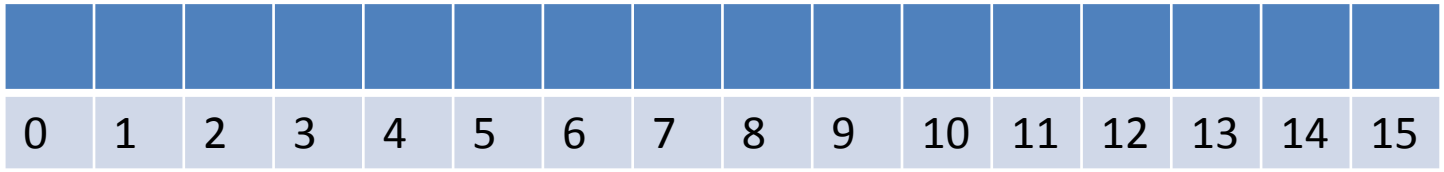

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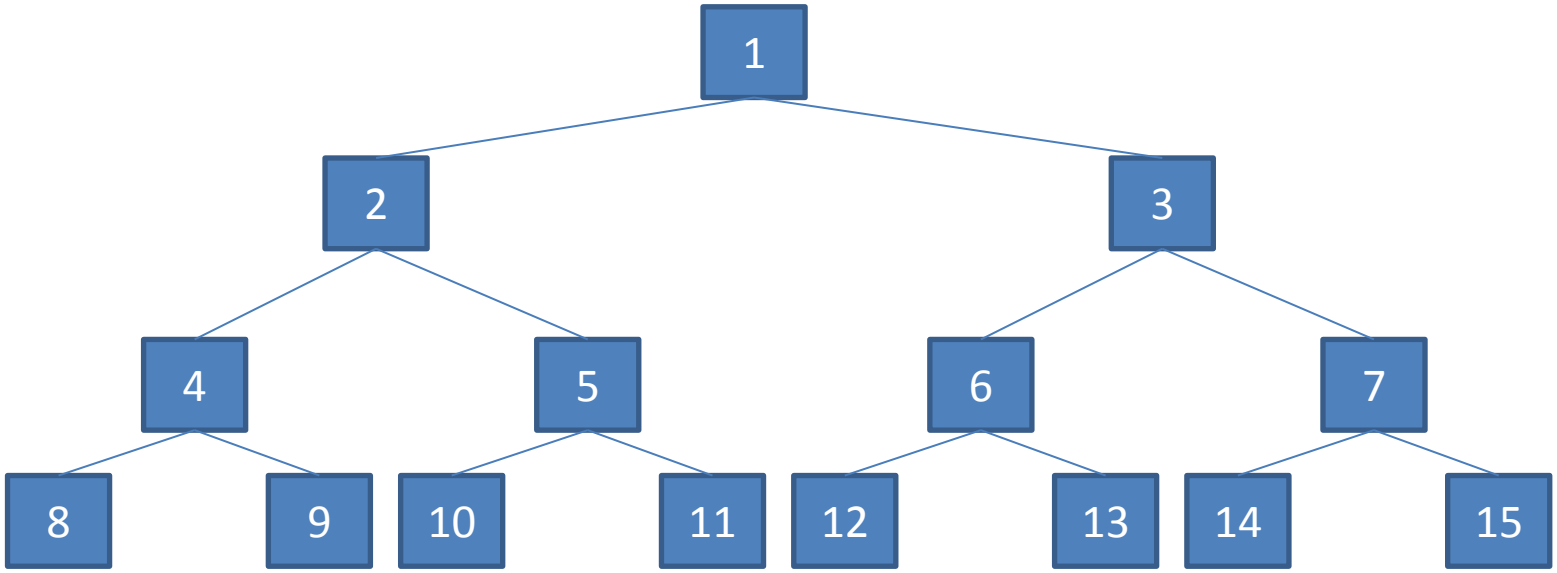

S

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0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15

To simplify implementation we ***do not*** use S[0]

Represent as a one *dimensional* array ***S***

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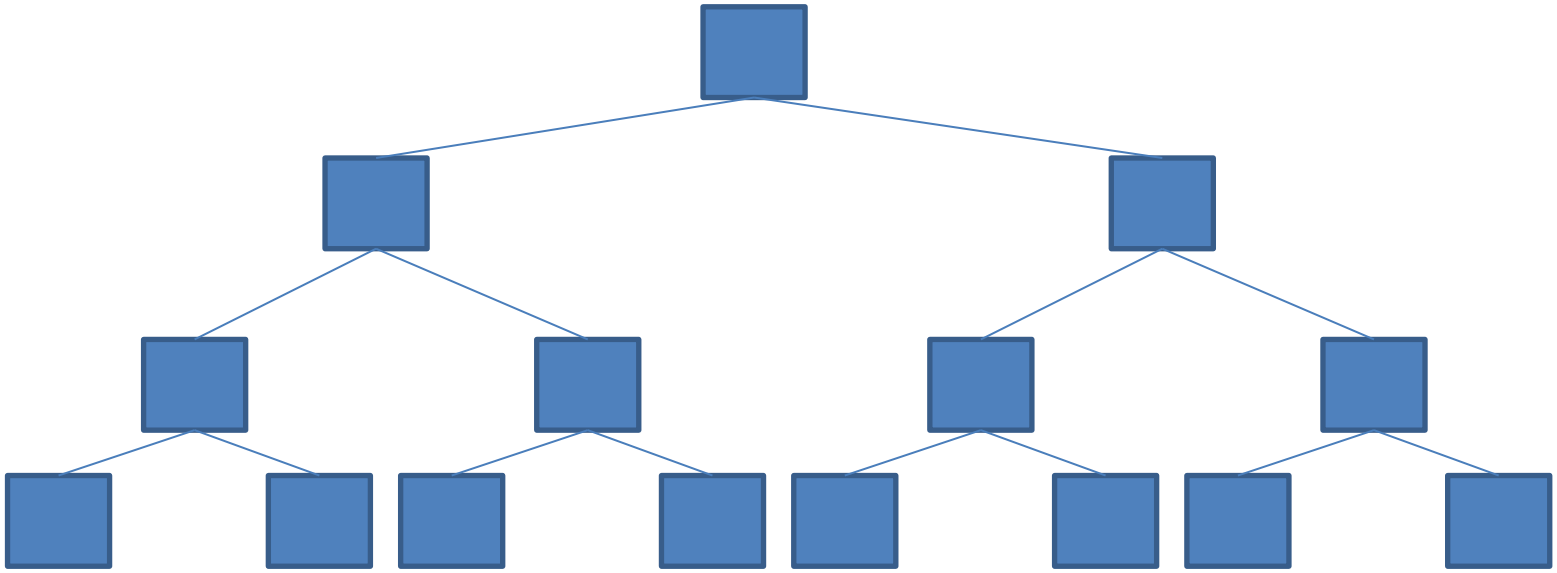

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Require two integer variables, ***last*** and ***capacity*** where last is initially 0
In our example ***capacity*** is 15

Represent as a one *dimensional* array ***S***

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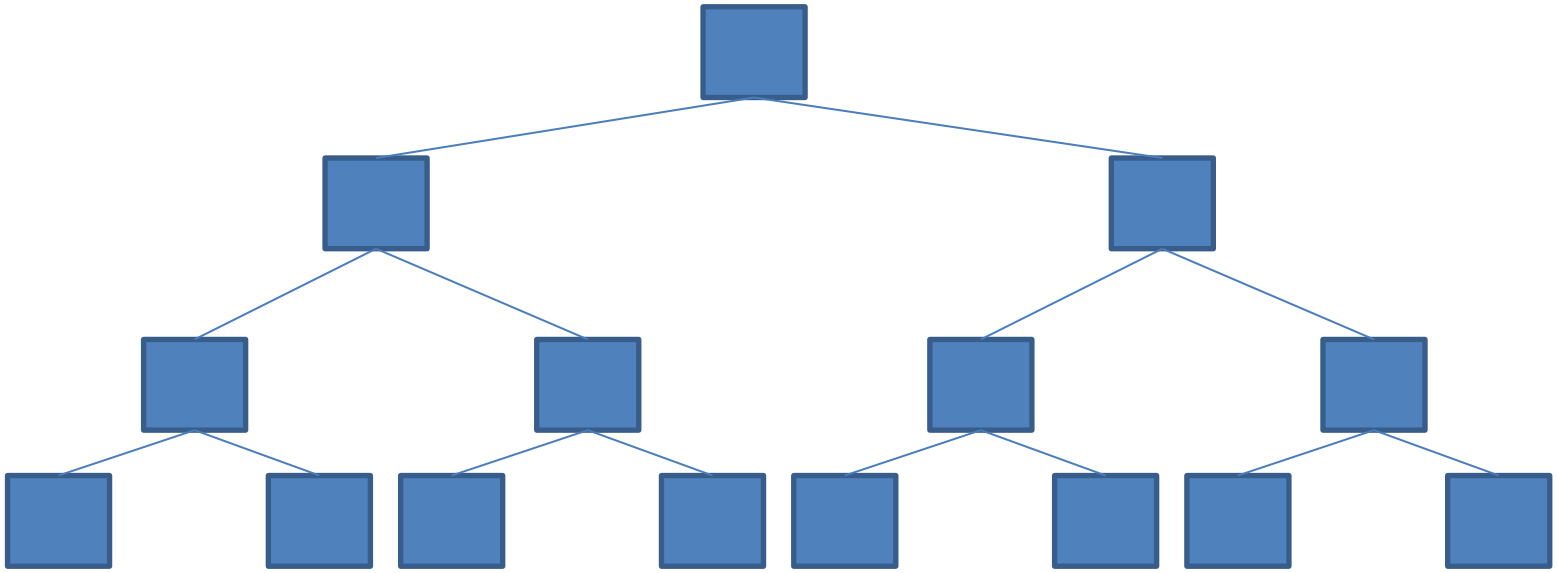

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last: 0

capacity: 15

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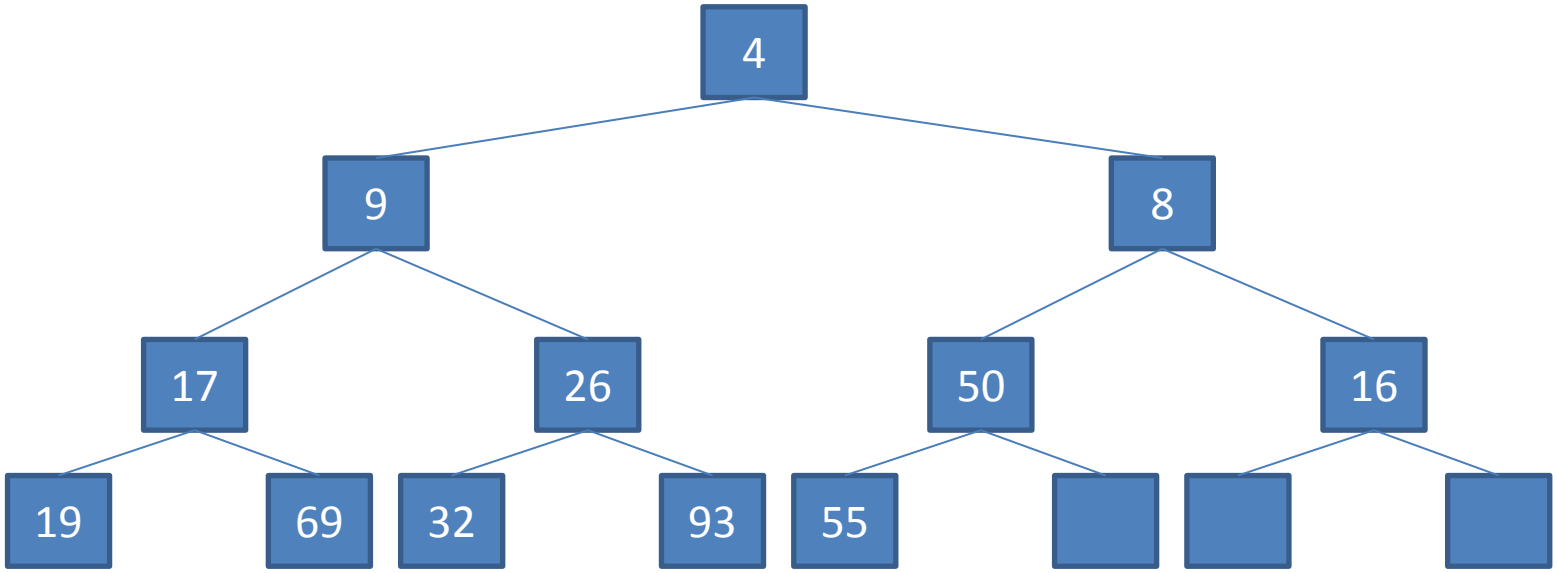

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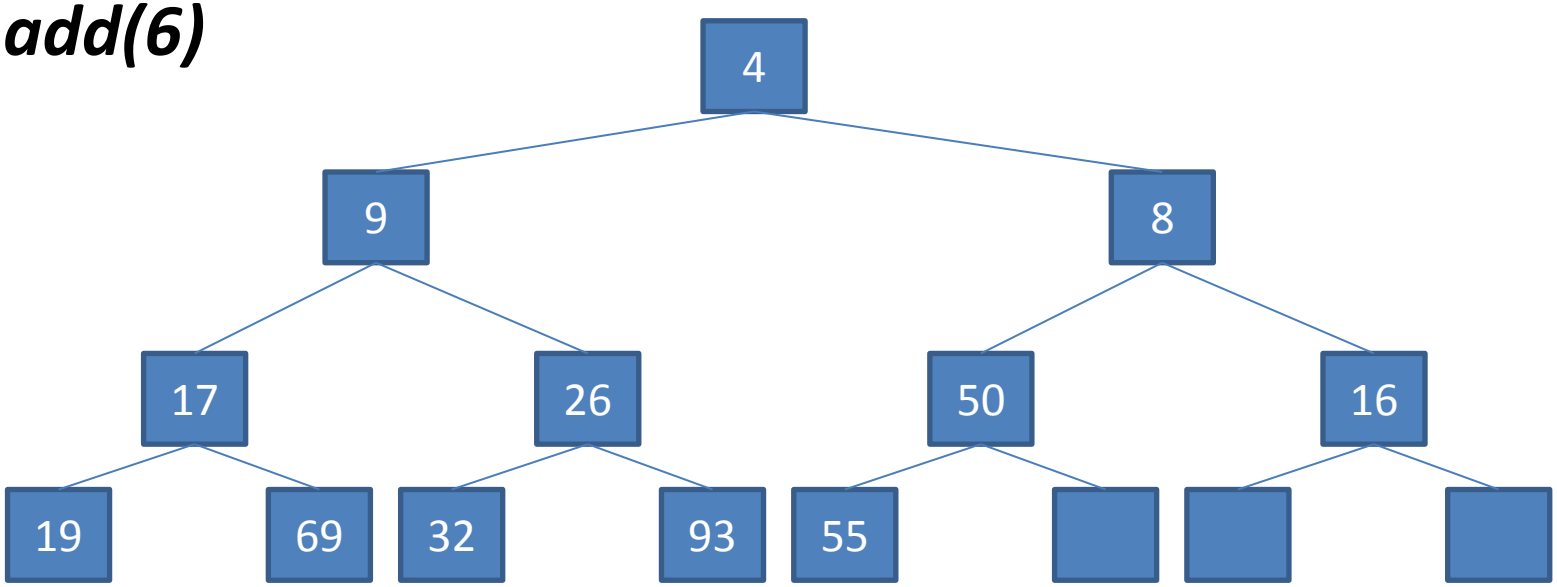
last: 12

capacity: 15

An implementation of a Heap data structure

H.add(6)



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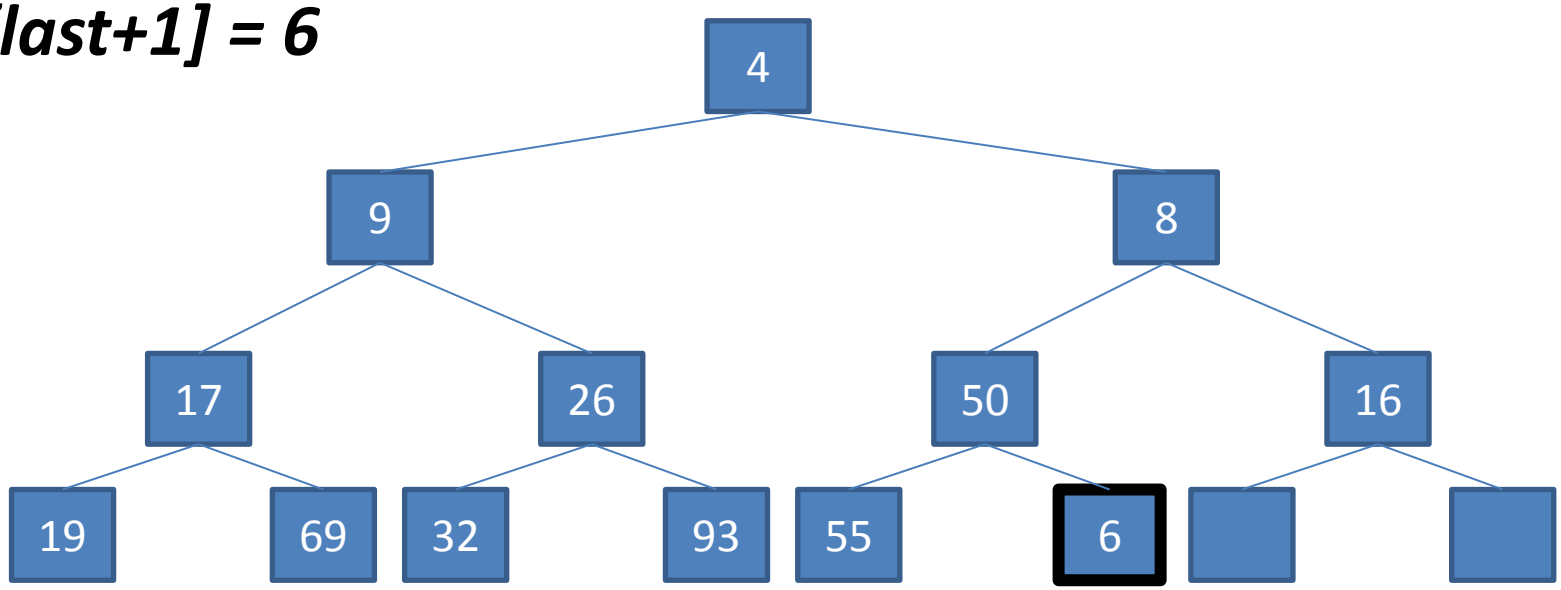
S[last+1] = 6



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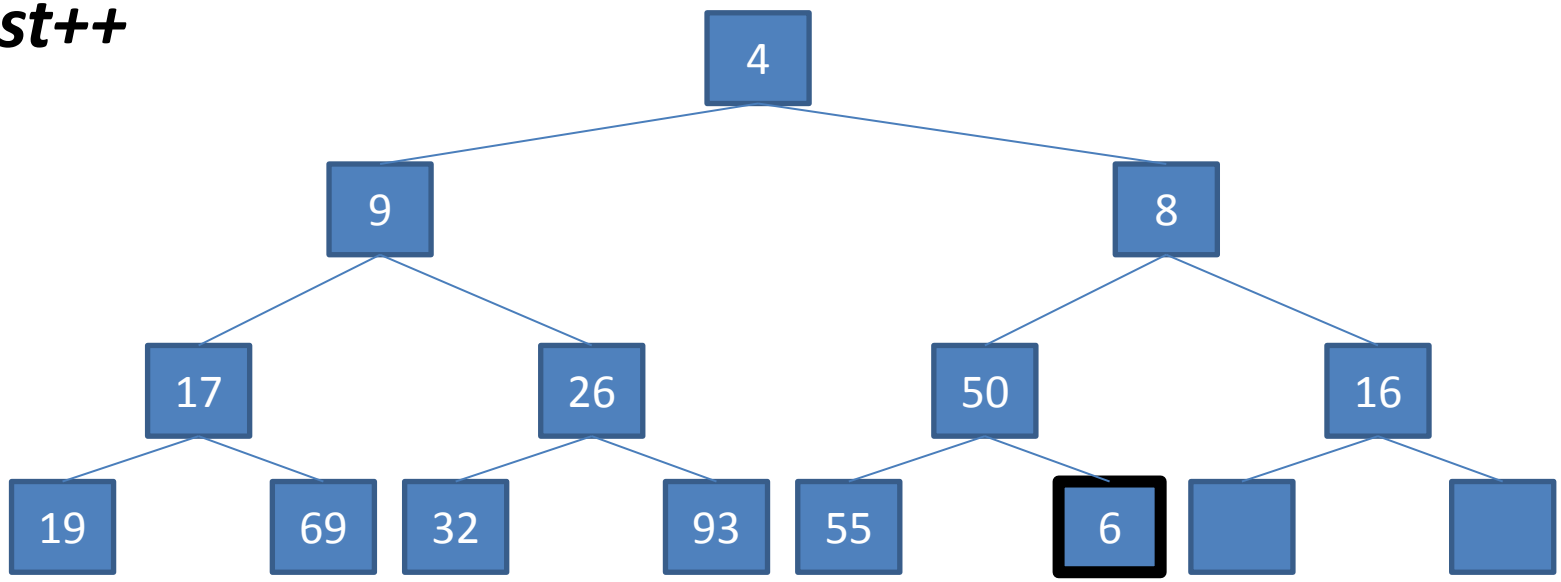
last++



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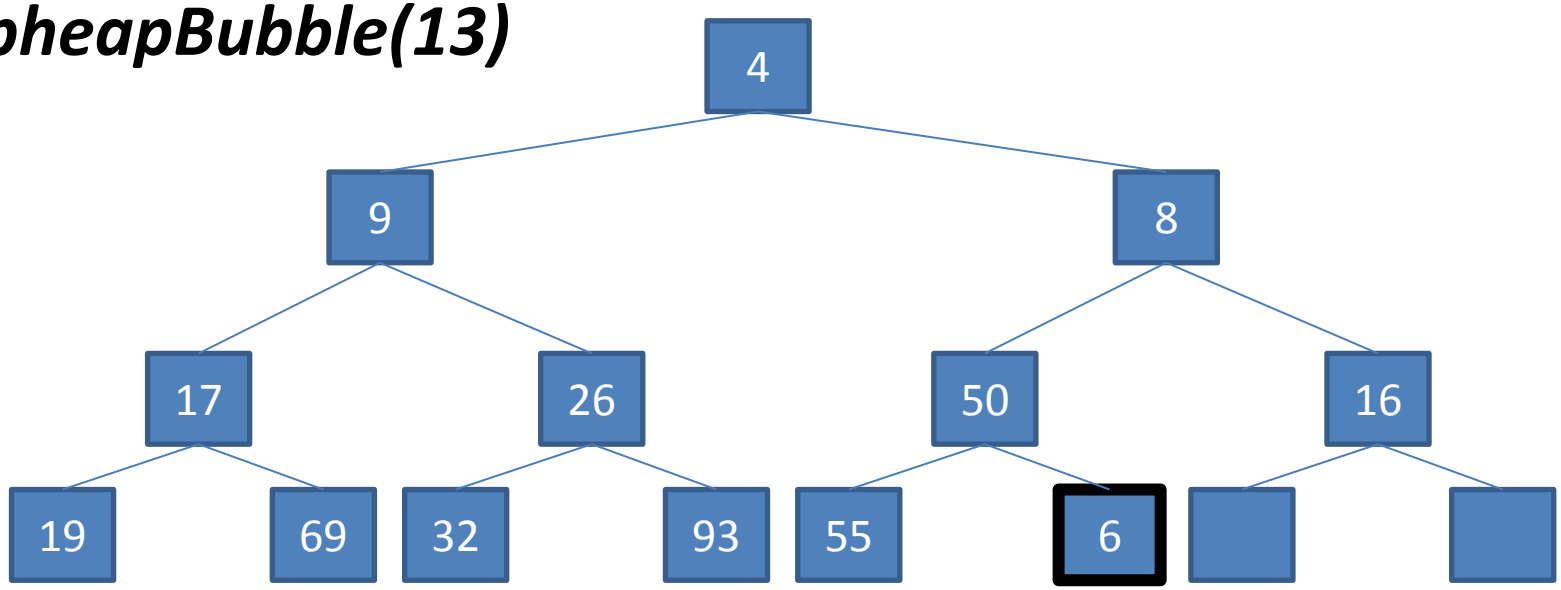
last: ***13***

capacity: 15

upheapBubble(13)



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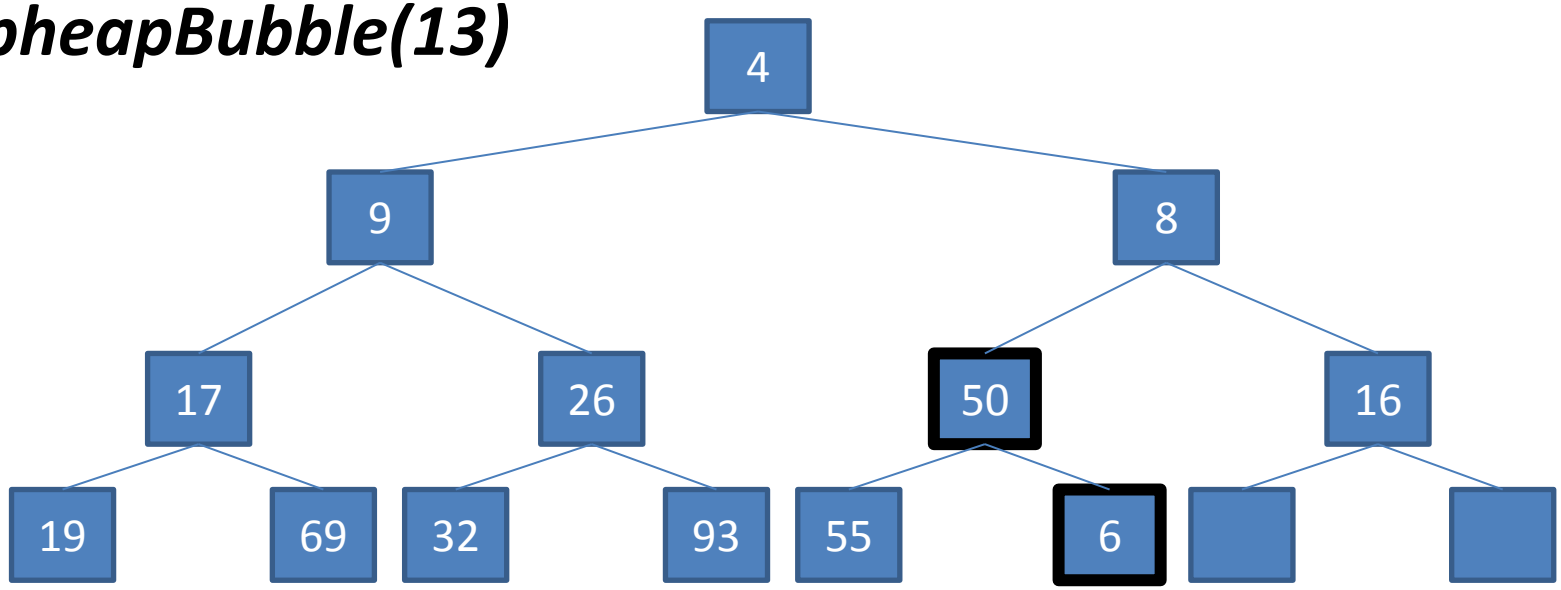

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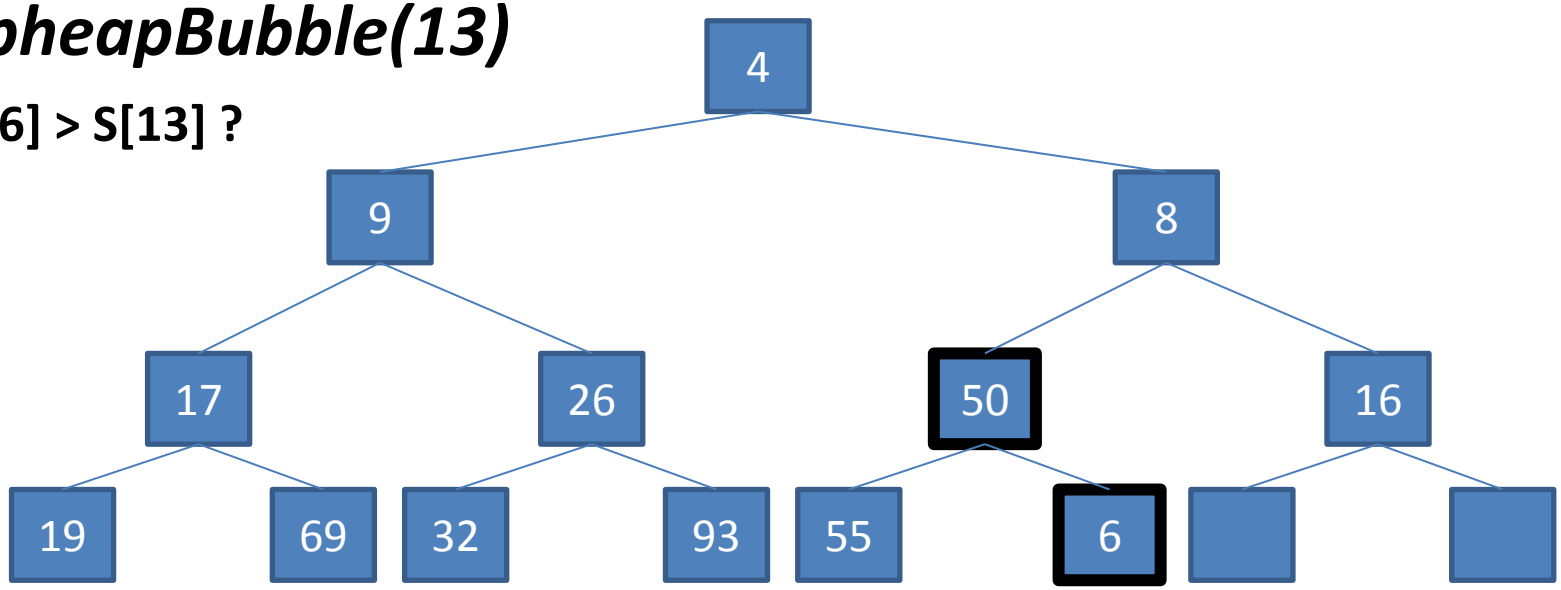
S[6] > S[13] ?



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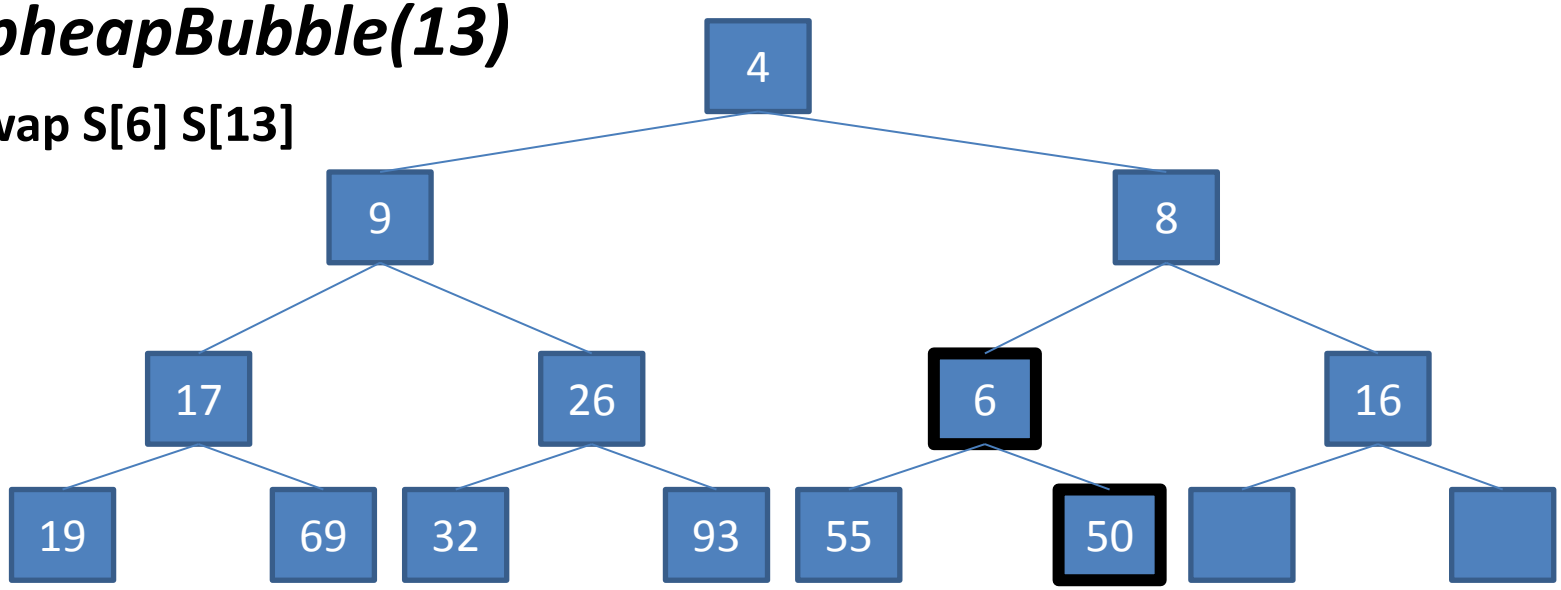
swap S[6] S[13]



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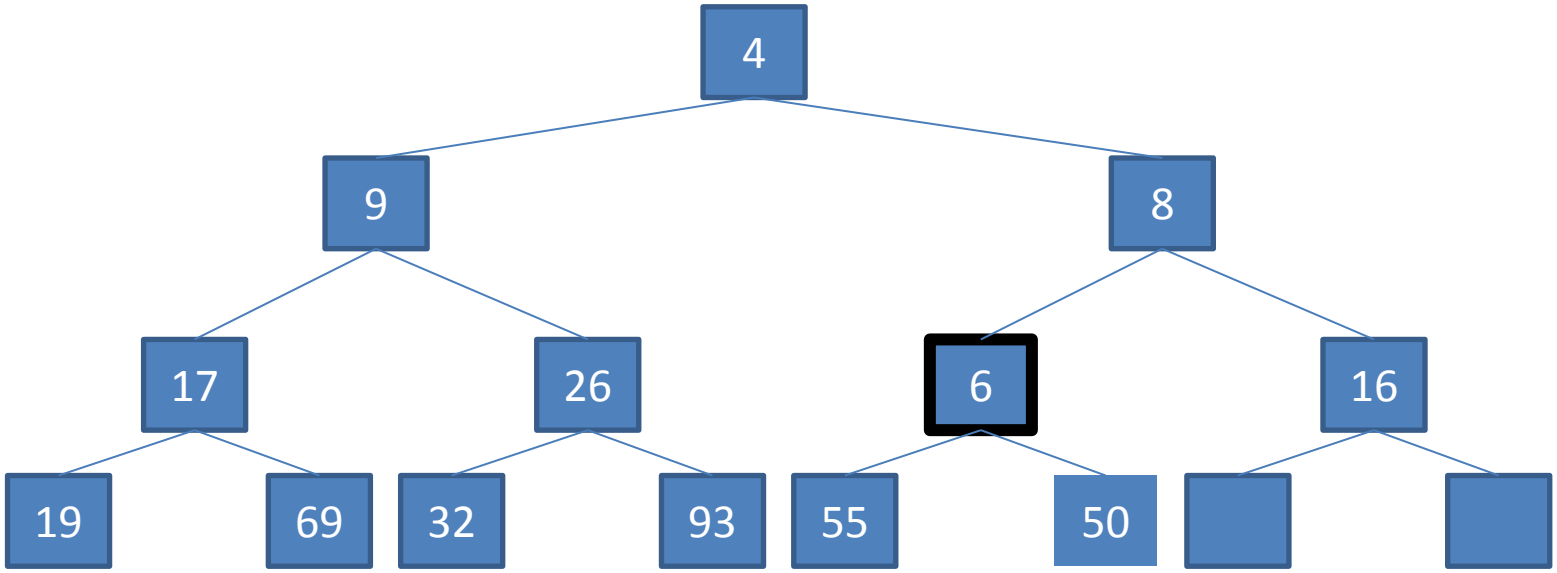

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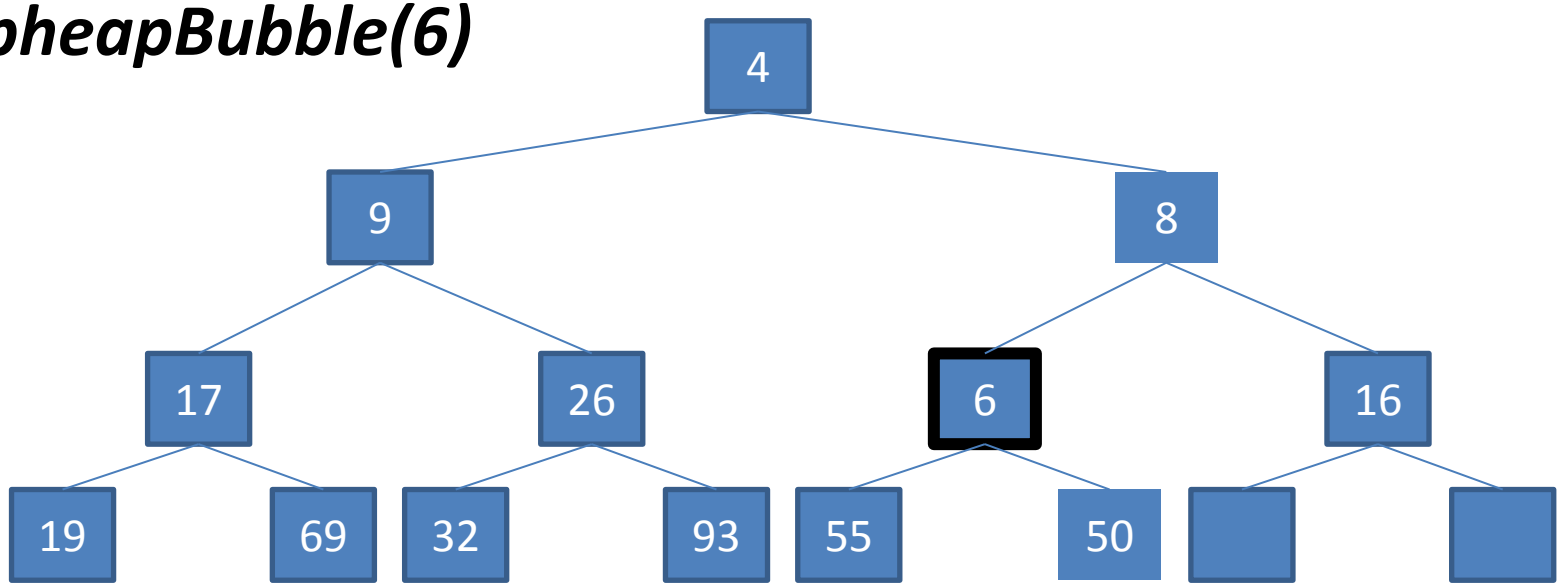

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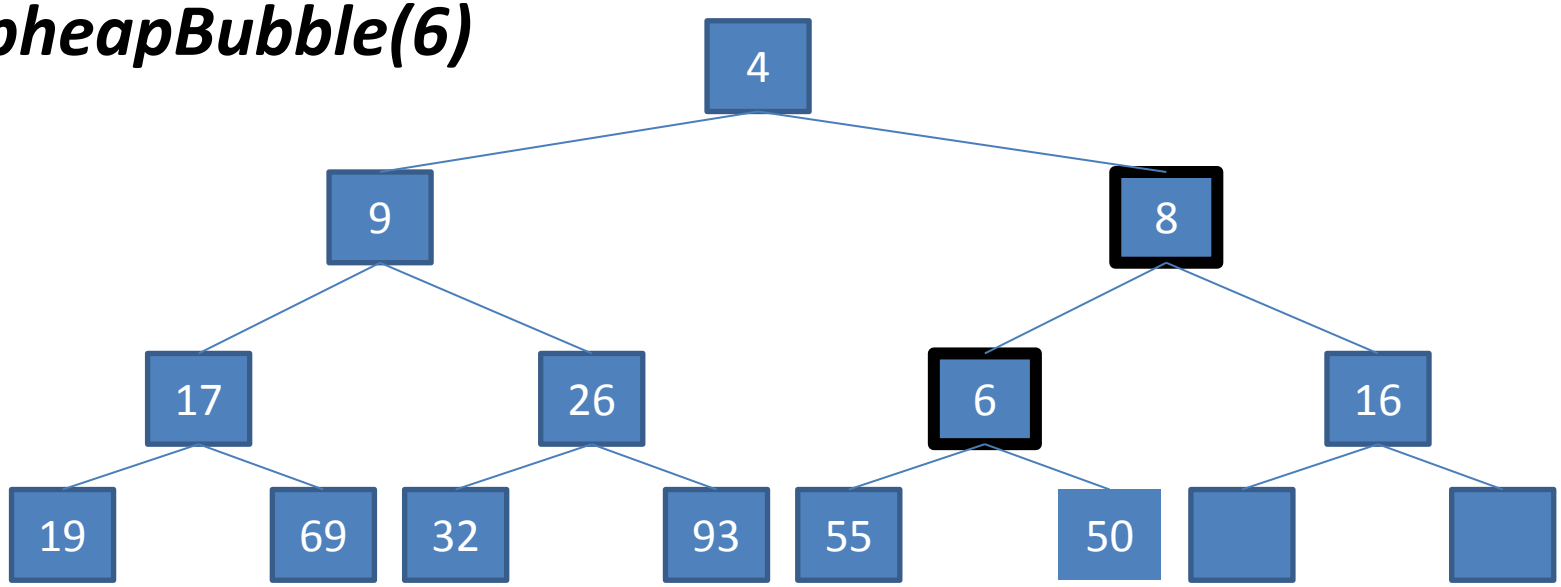

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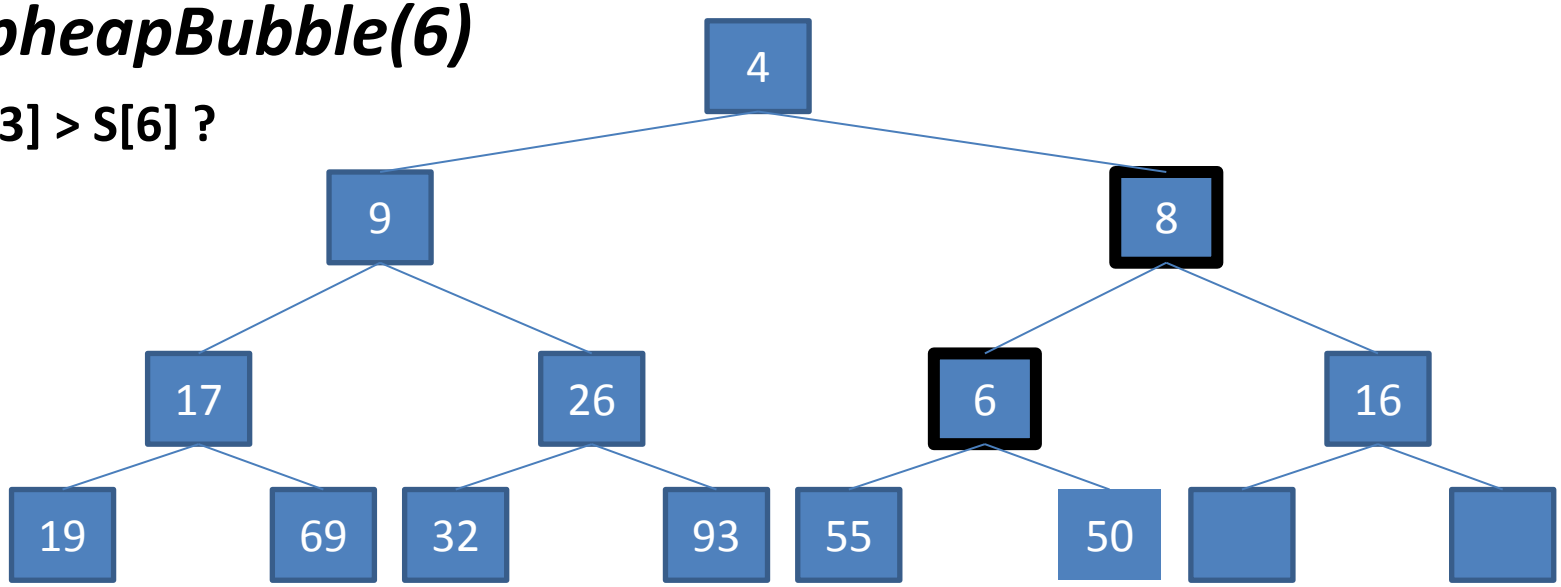
S[3] > S[6] ?



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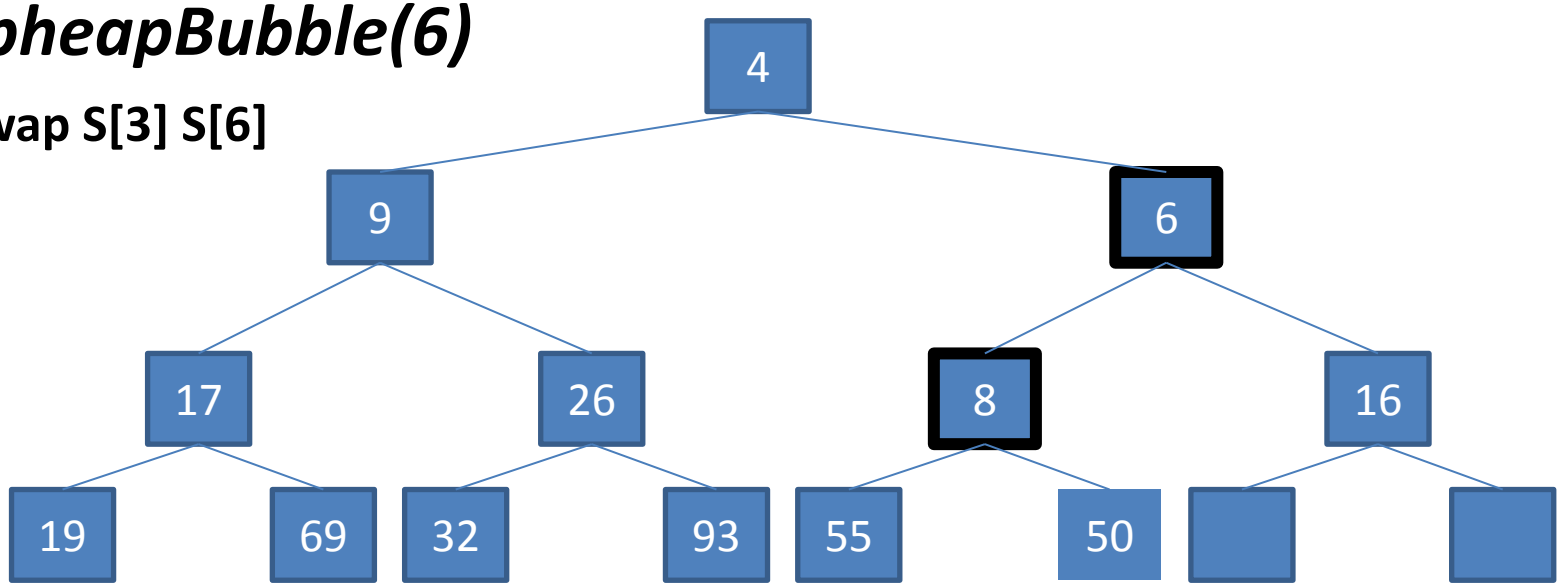
upheapBubble(6)

swap S[3] S[6]



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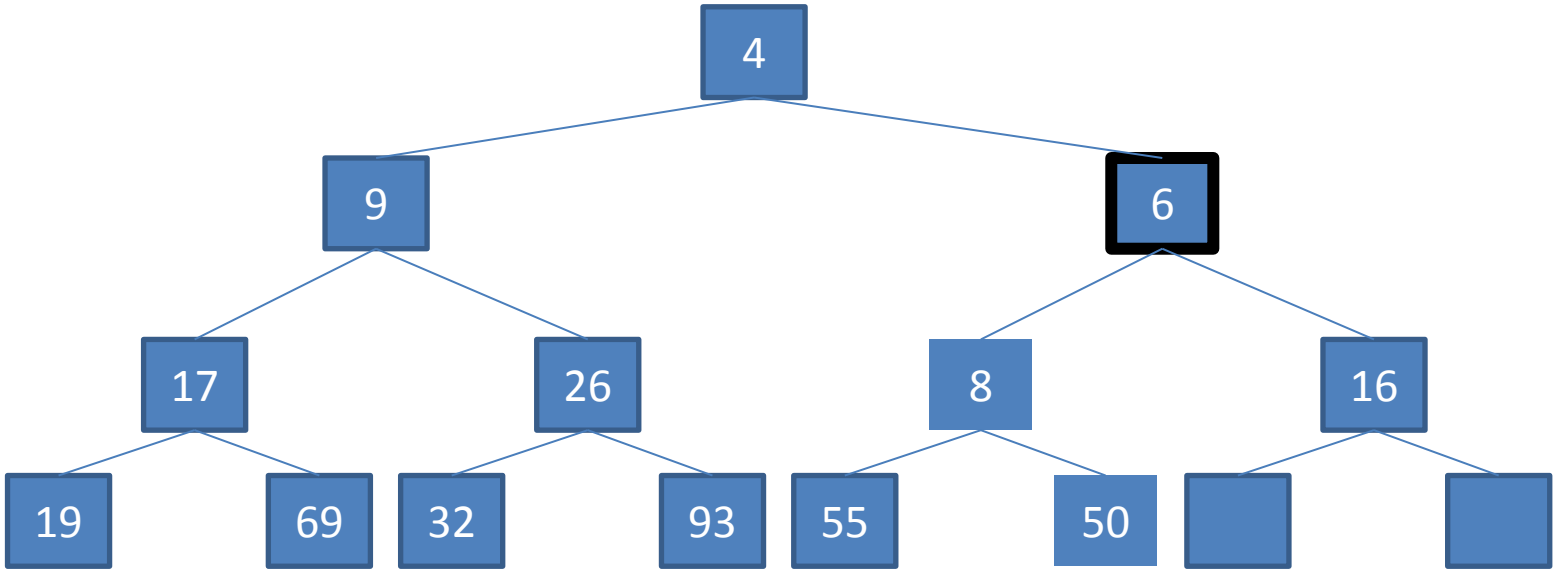

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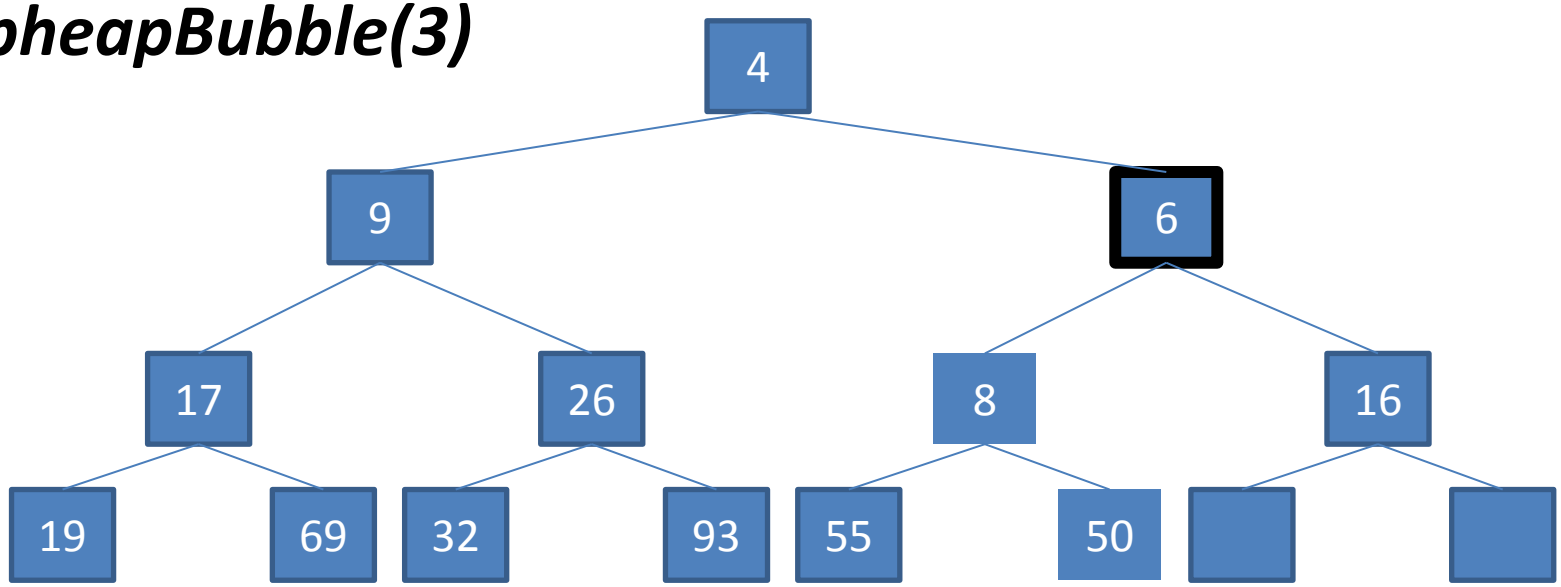
capacity: 15

upheapBubble(3)



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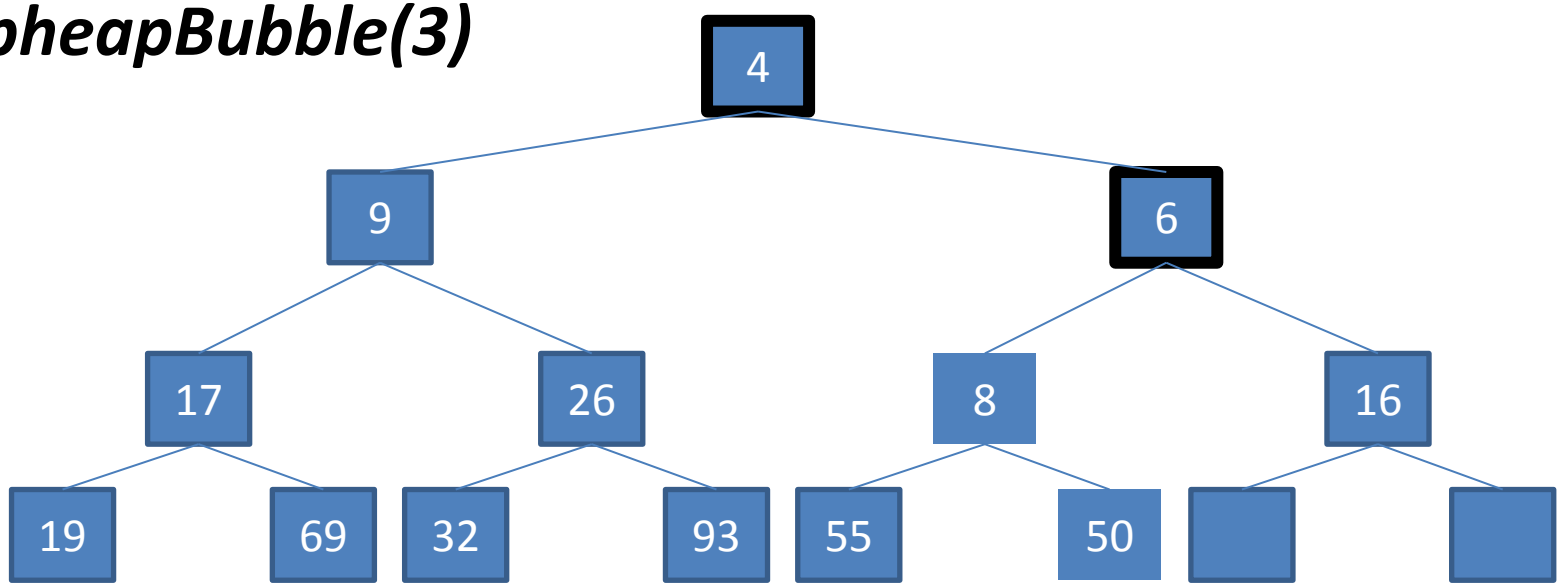
last: ***13***

capacity: 15

upheapBubble(3)



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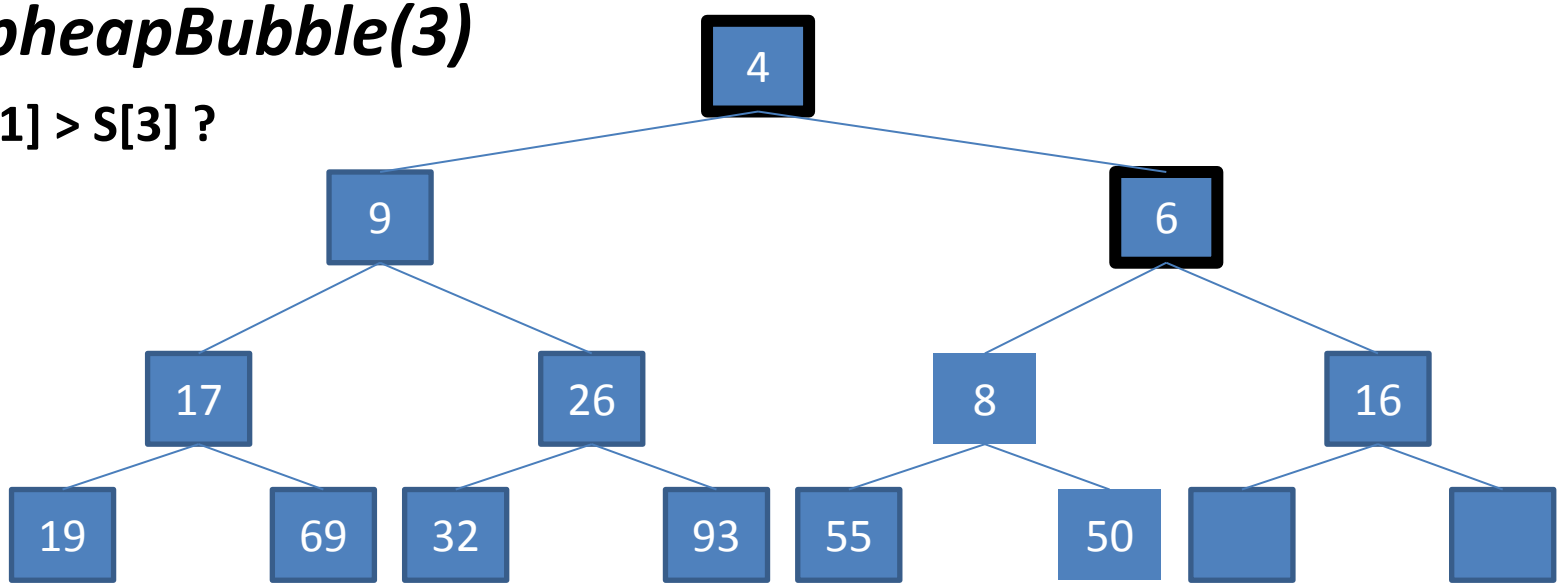
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15

last: ***13***

capacity: 15

upheapBubble(3)

S[1] > S[3] ?



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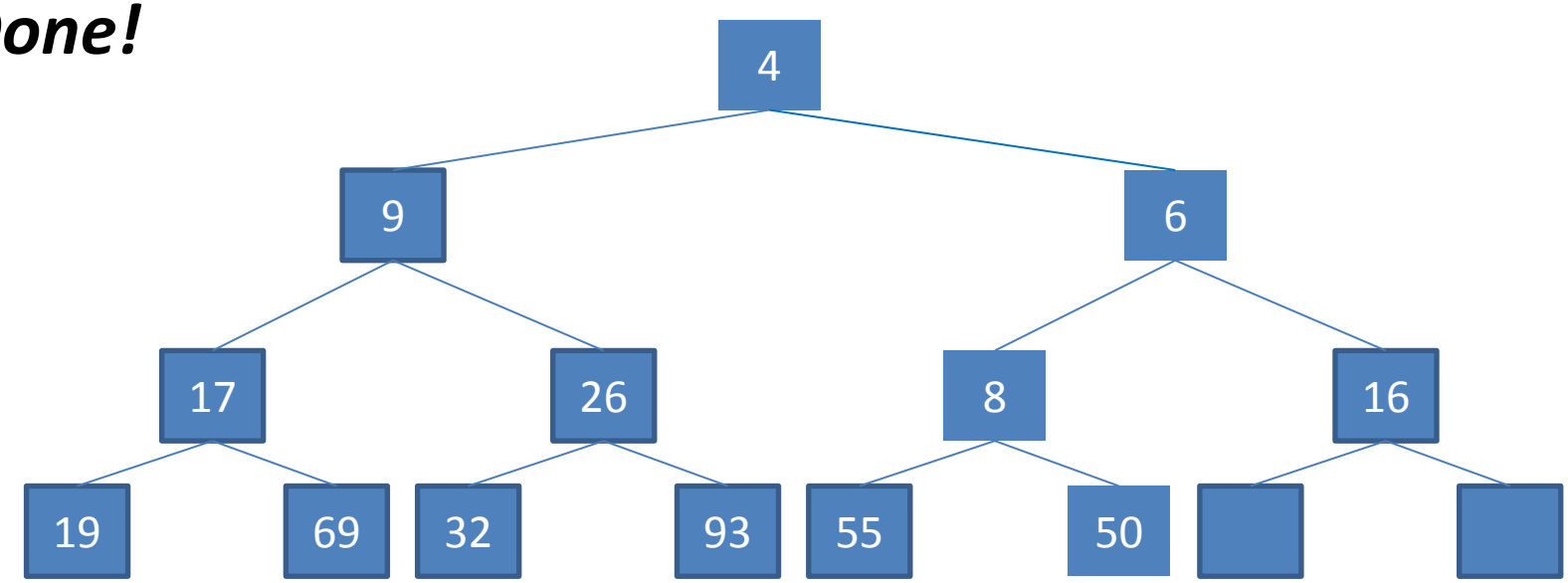
last: ***13***

capacity: 15

Done!



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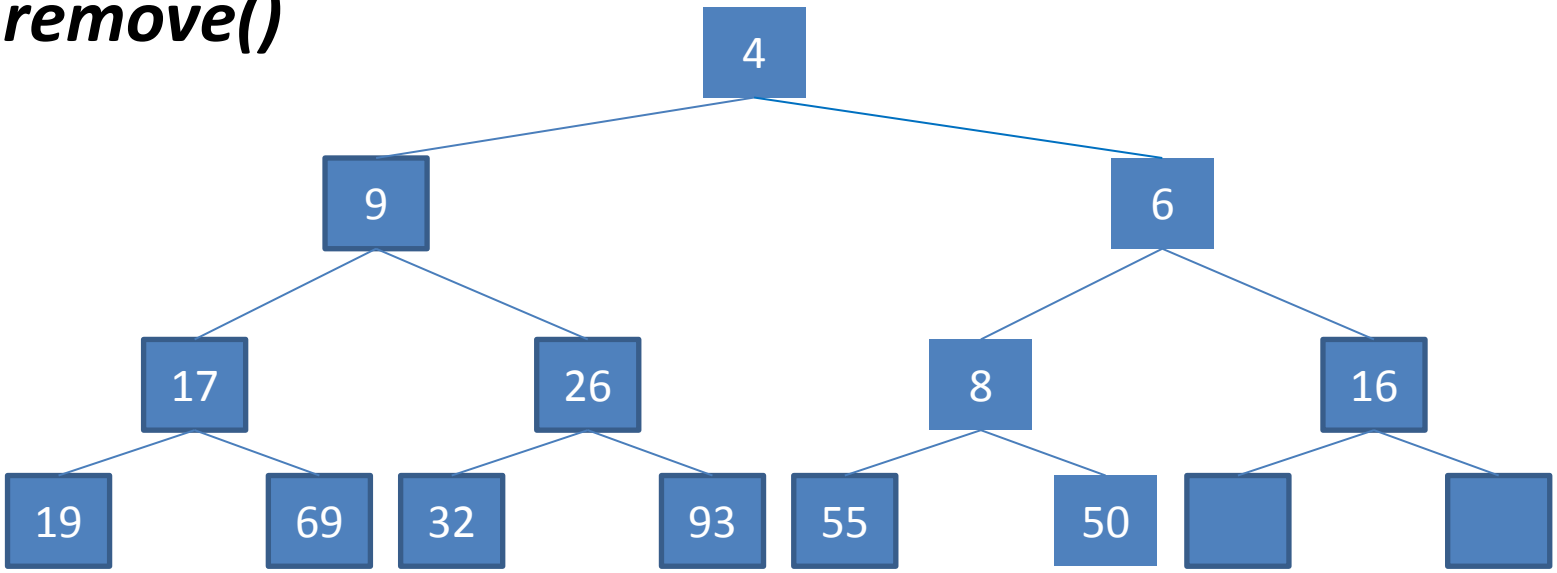
last: ***13***

capacity: 15

Removal from the heap H

H.remove()



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last: ***13***

capacity: 15

An implementation of a Heap data structure

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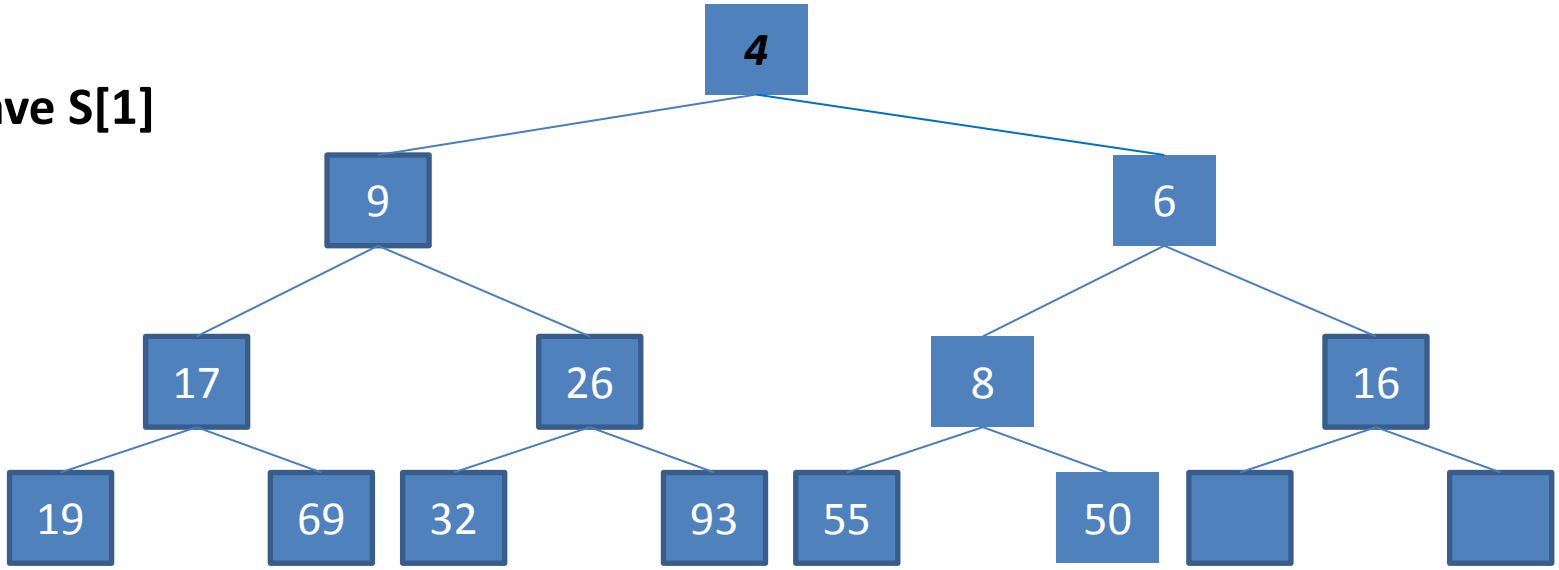
Save S[1]



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last: ***13***

capacity: 15

An implementation of a Heap data structure

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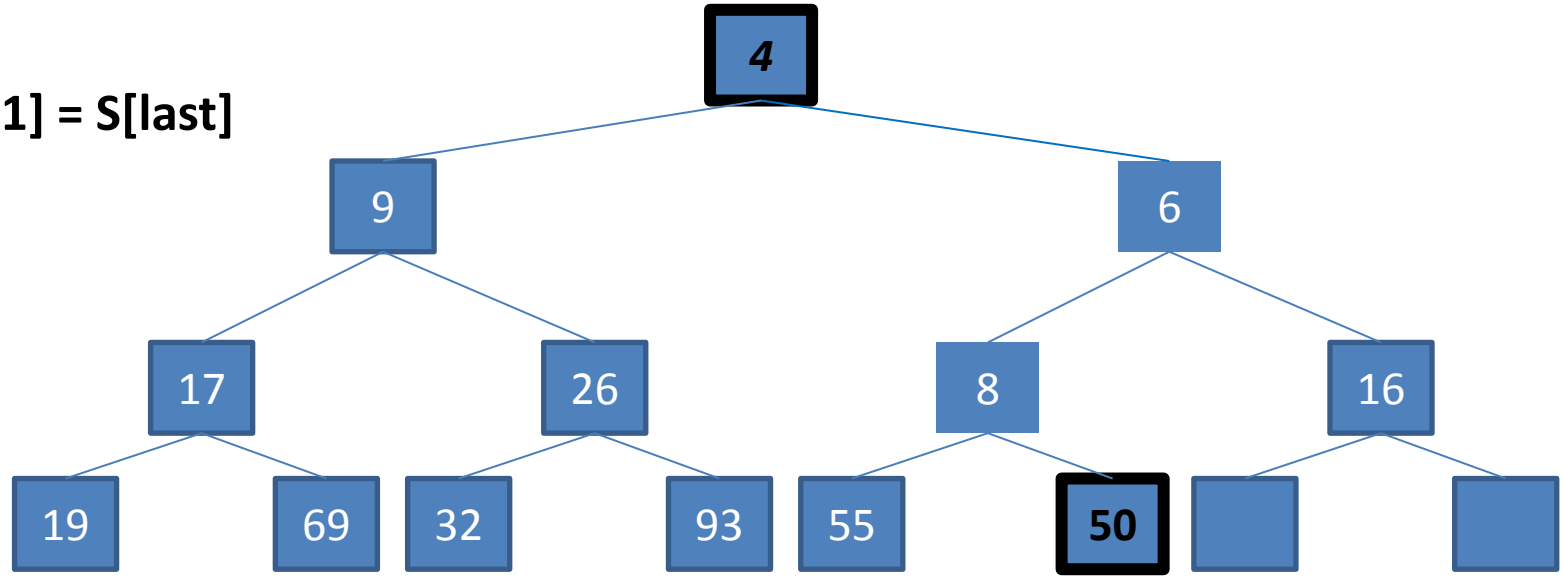
S[1] = S[last]



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last: ***13***

capacity: 15

An implementation of a Heap data structure

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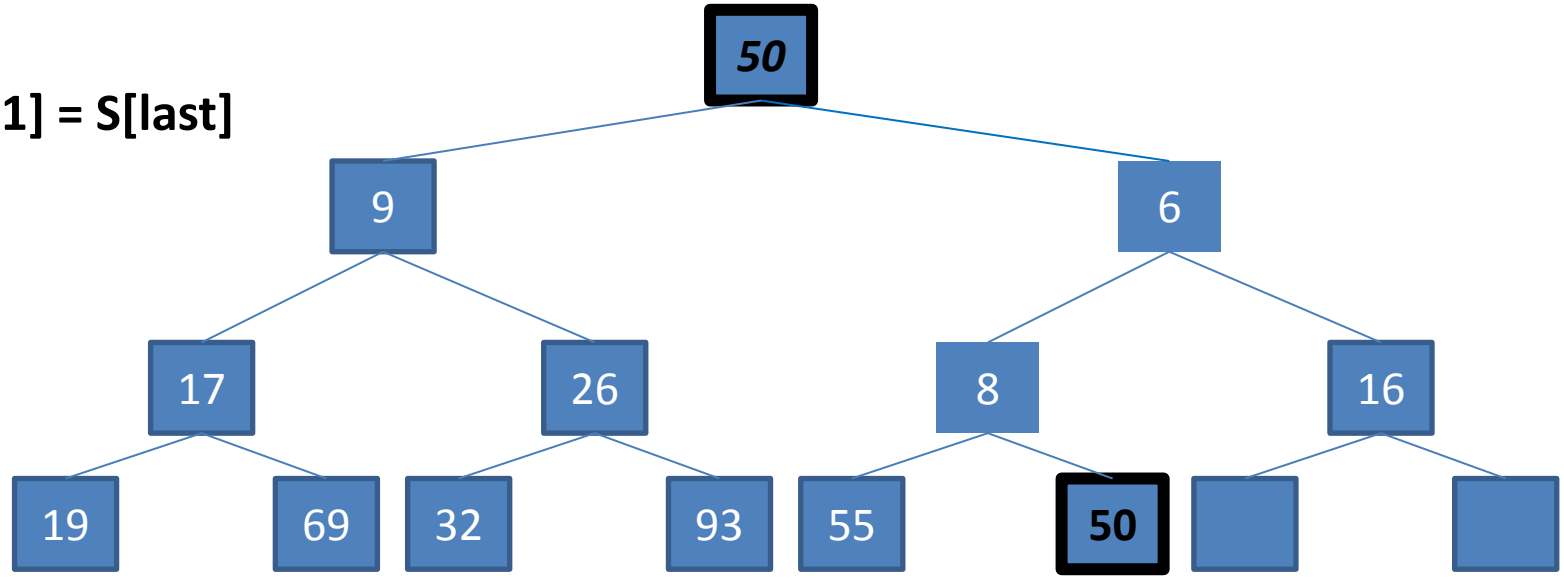
S[1] = S[last]



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last: *13*

capacity: 15

An implementation of a Heap data structure

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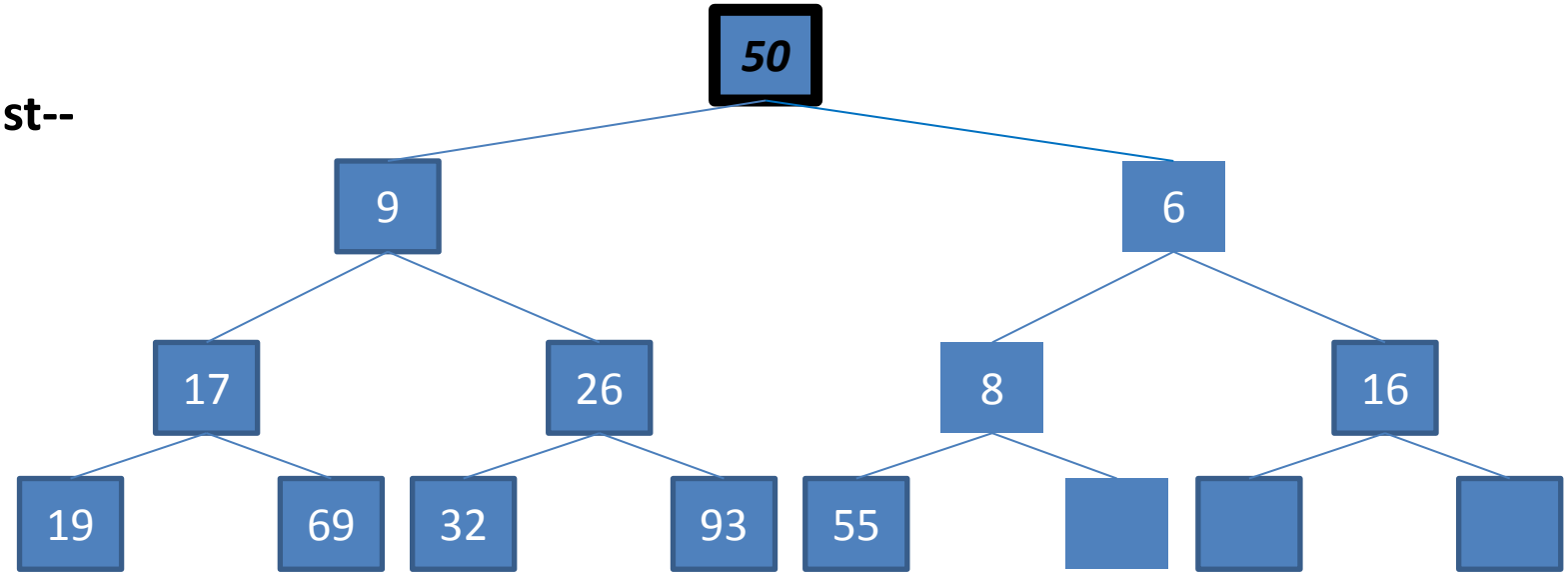
last--



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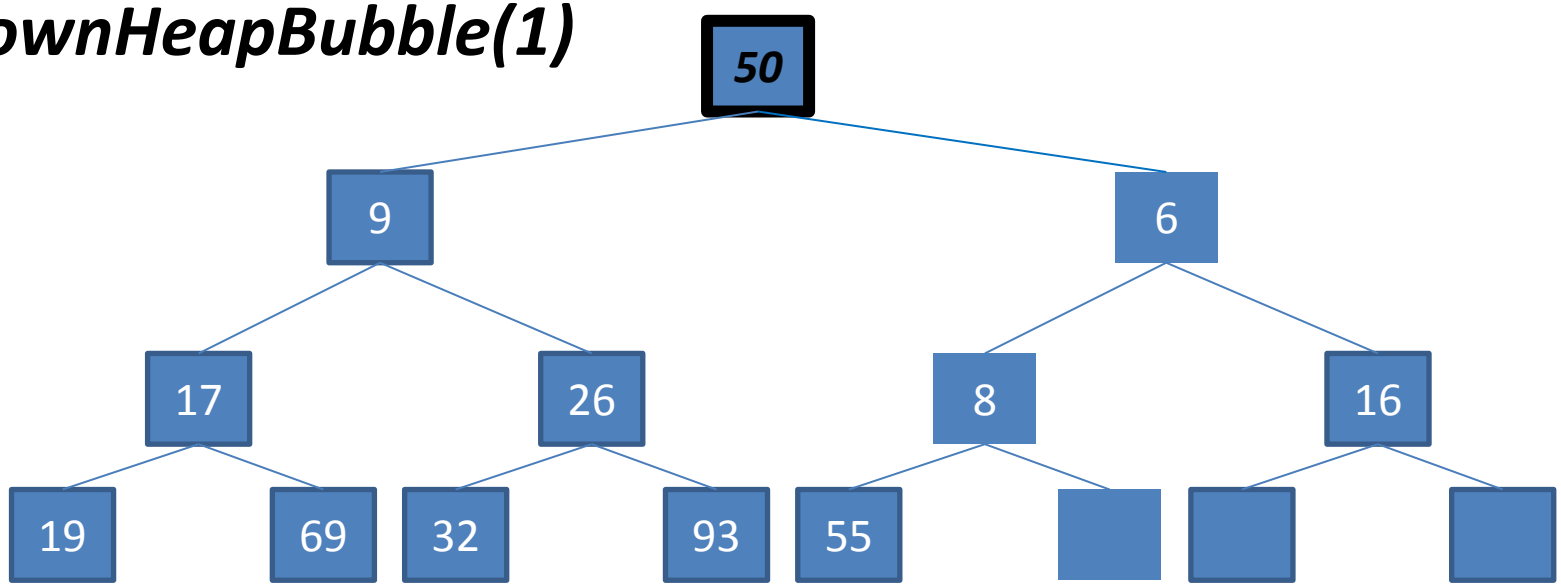
last: ***12***

capacity: 15

4

downHeapBubble(1)



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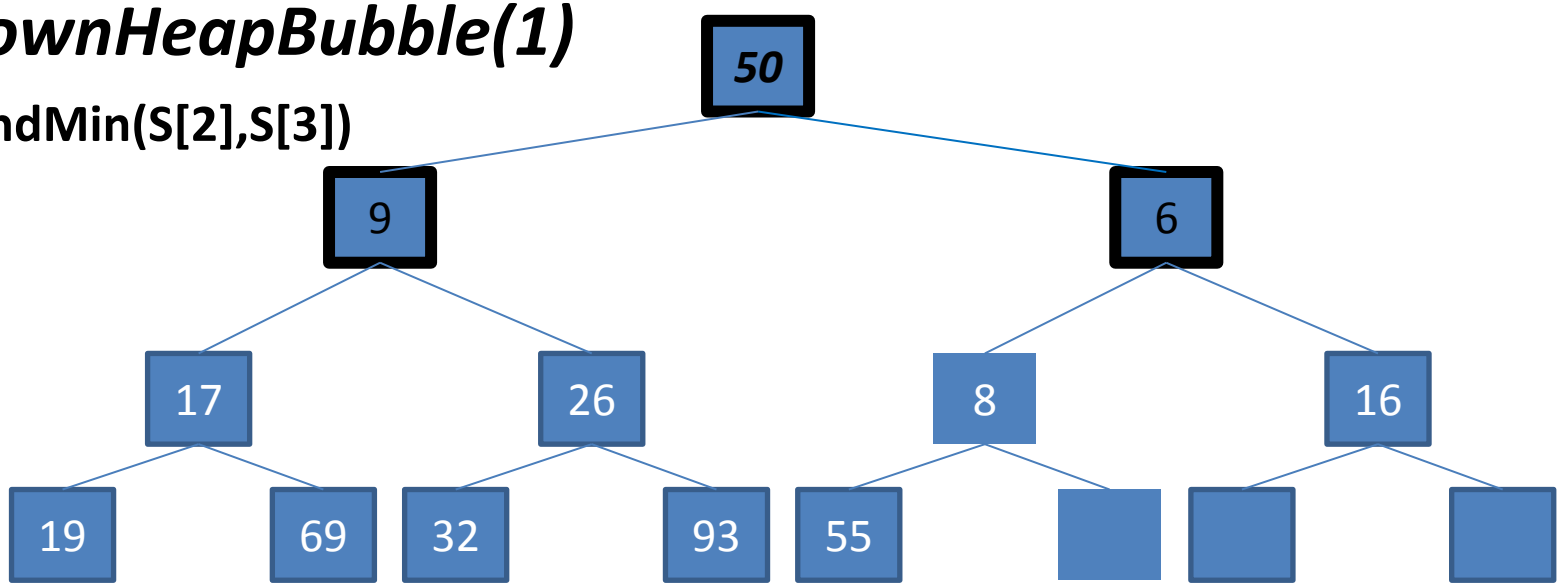
last: ***12***

capacity: 15

4

downHeapBubble(1)

findMin(S[2],S[3])



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last: ***12***

capacity: 15

4

downHeapBubble(1)

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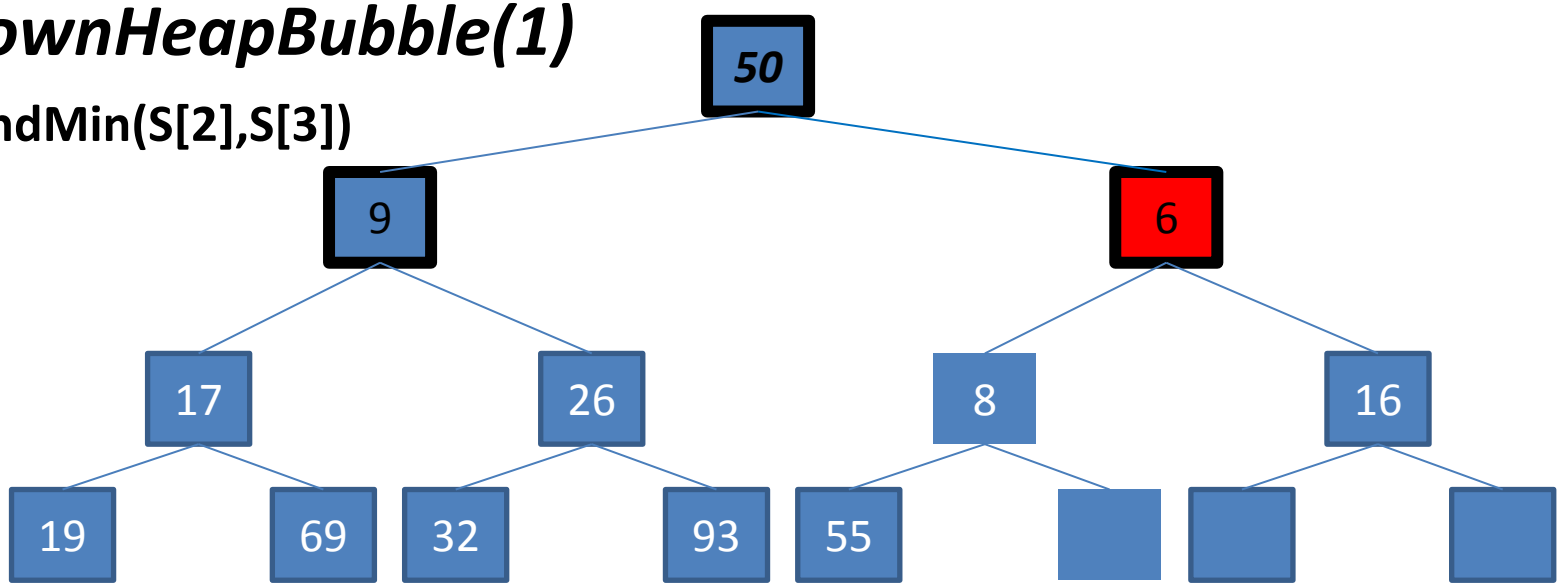

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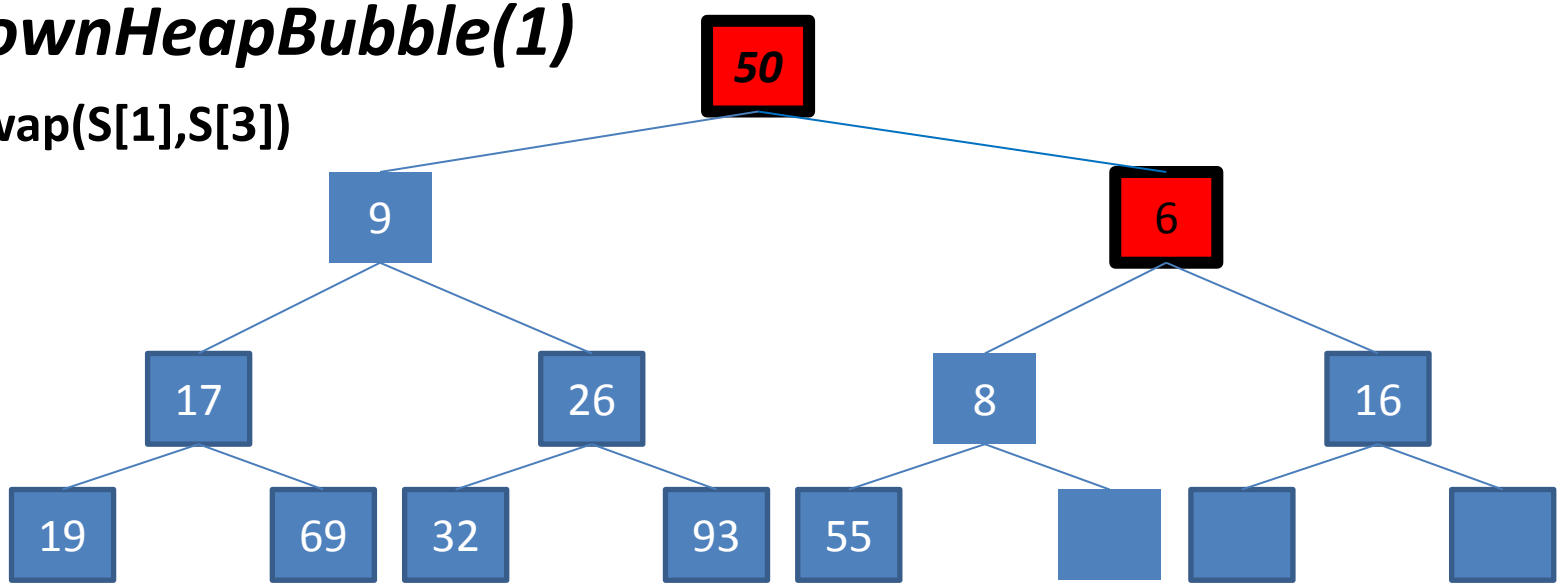
last: ***12***

capacity: 15

4

downHeapBubble(1)

swap(S[1],S[3])



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capacity: 15

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downHeapBubble(1)

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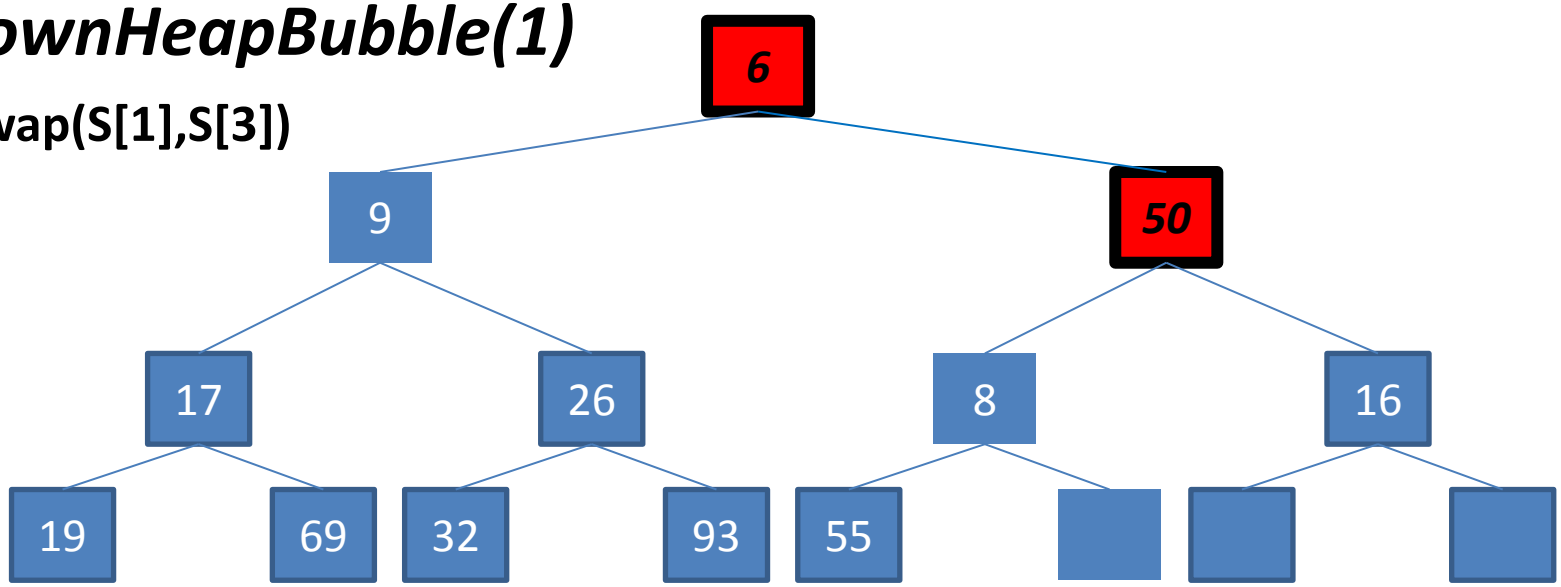

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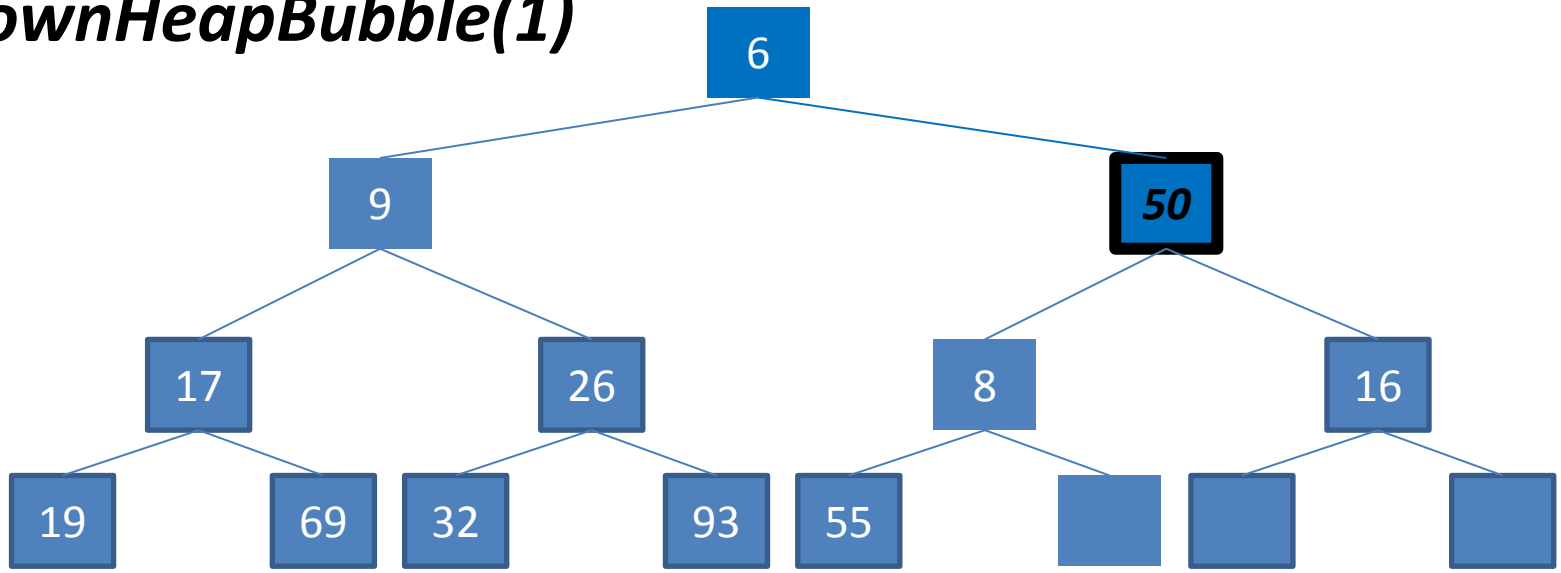
capacity: 15

4

downHeapBubble(1)



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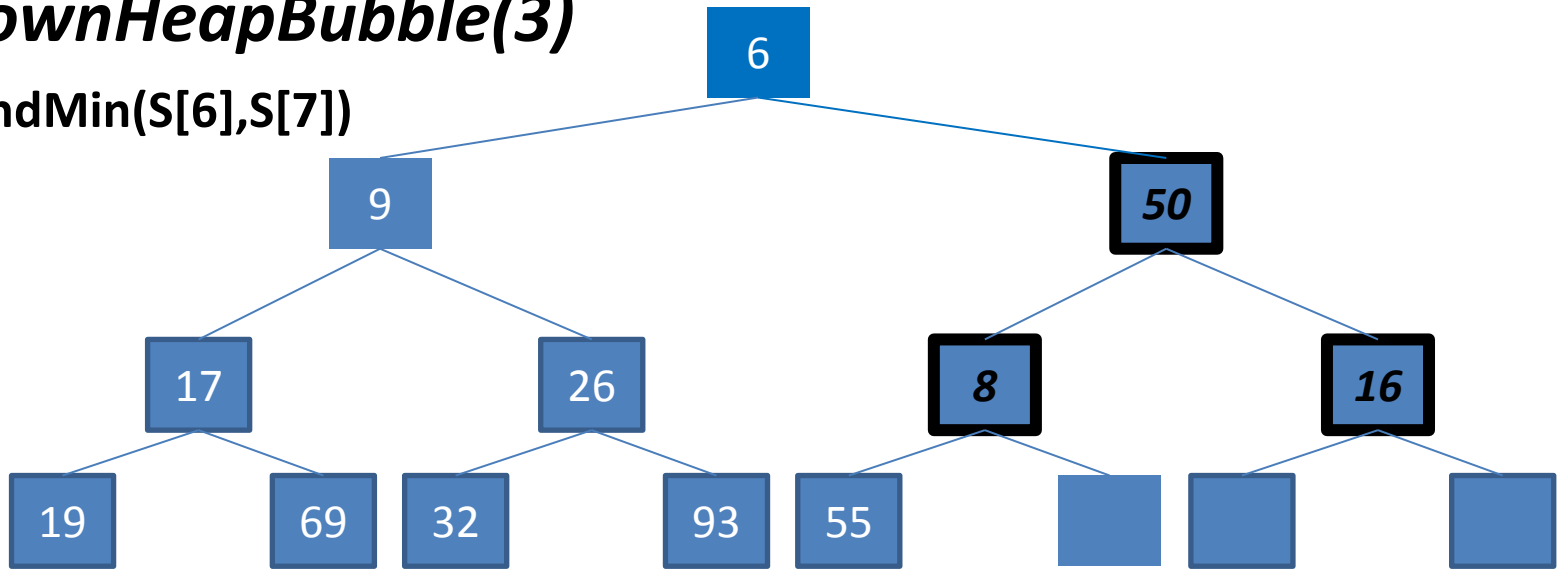
last: ***12***

capacity: 15

4

downHeapBubble(3)

findMin(S[6],S[7])



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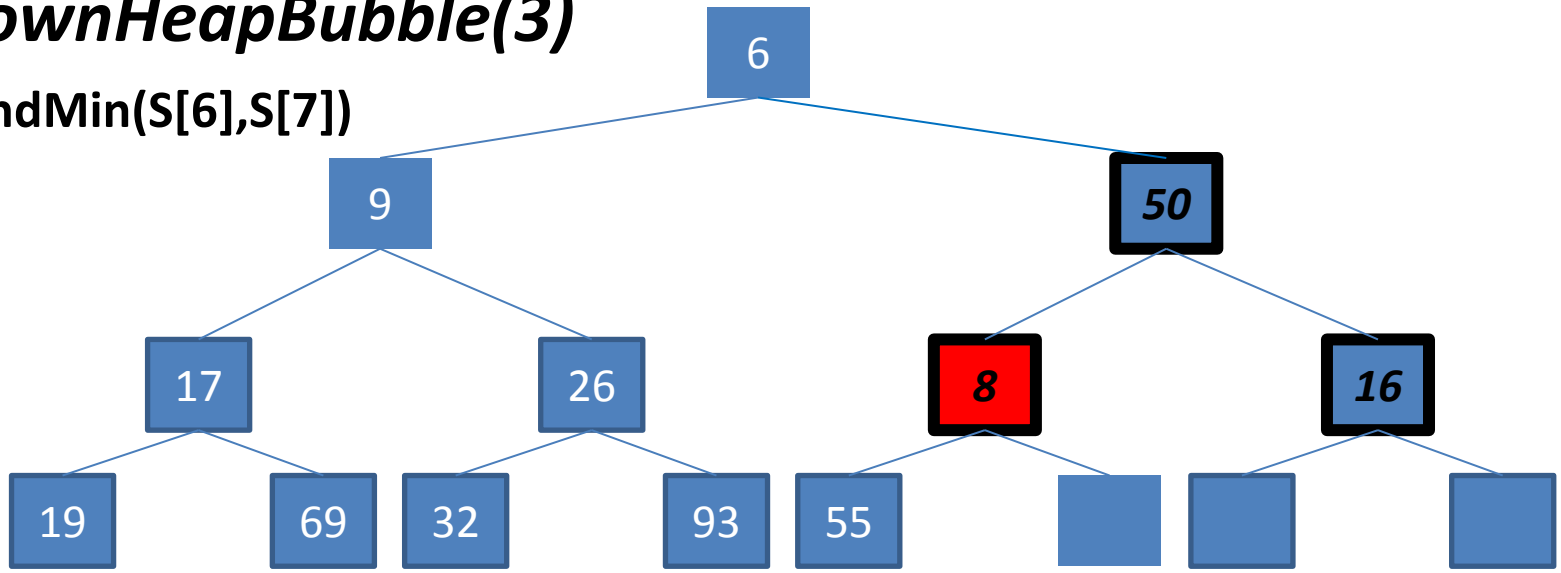
last: ***12***

capacity: 15

4

downHeapBubble(3)

findMin(S[6],S[7])



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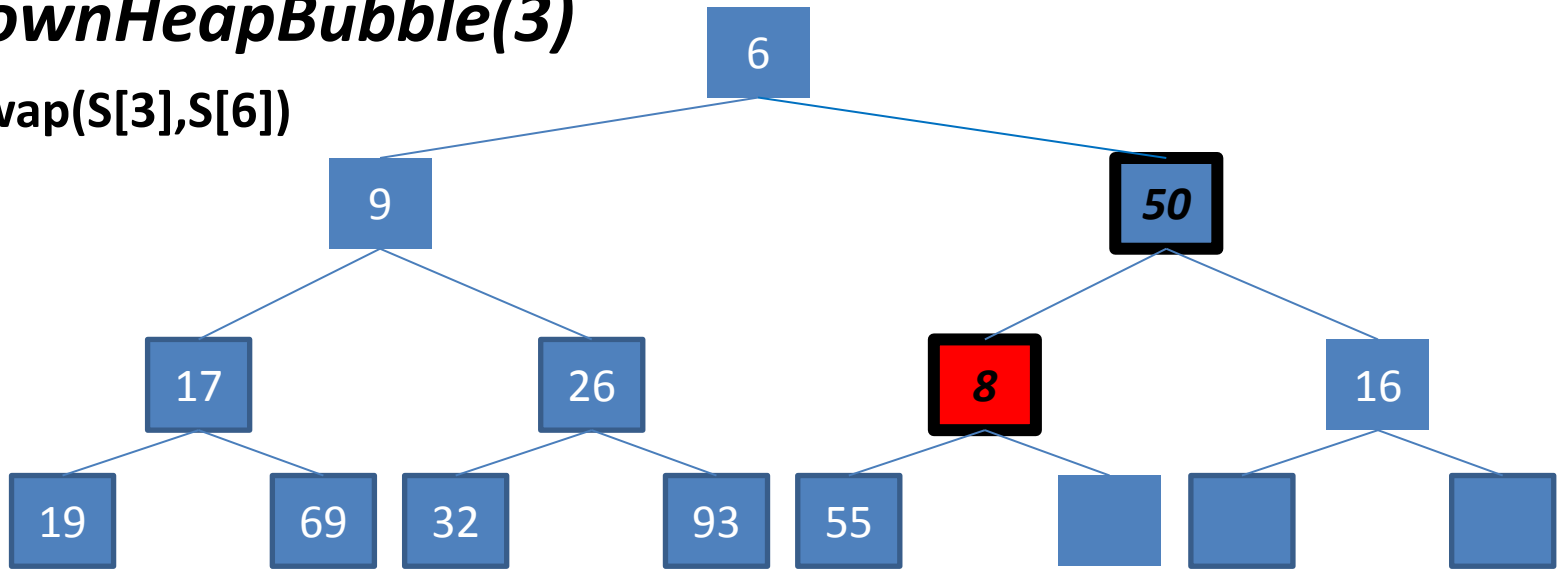
last: ***12***

capacity: 15

4

downHeapBubble(3)

swap(S[3],S[6])



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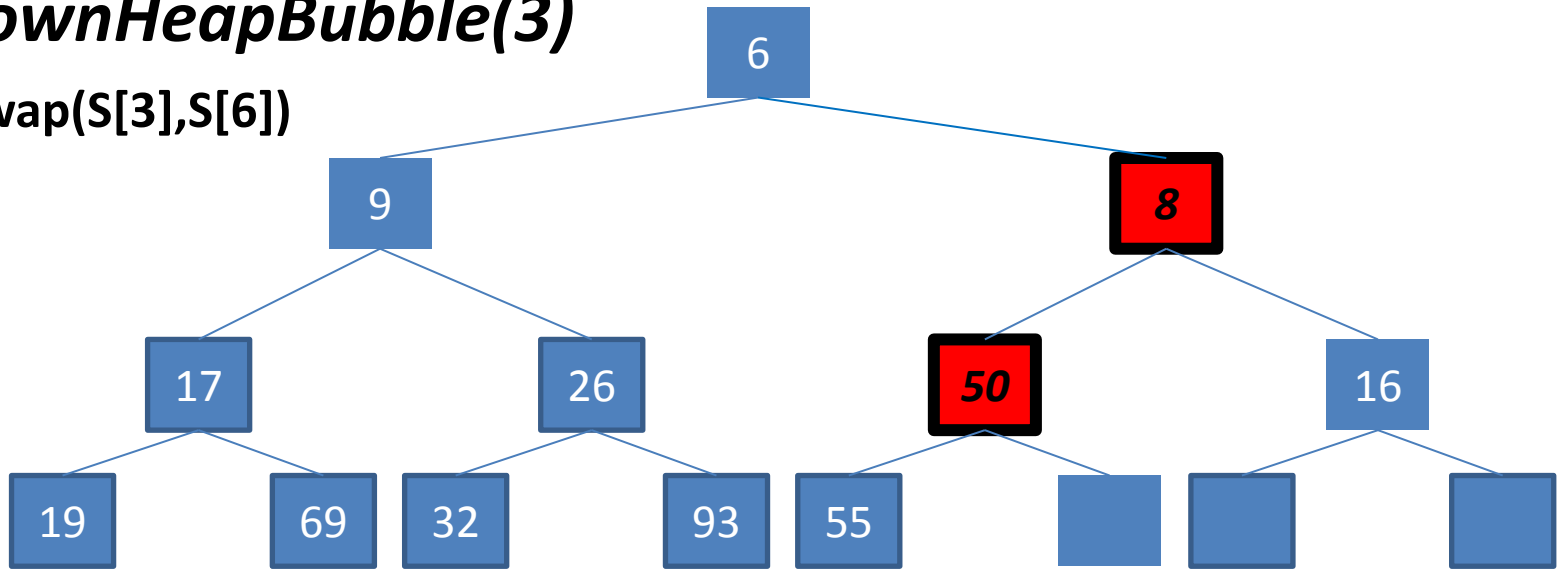
last: ***12***

capacity: 15

4

downHeapBubble(3)

swap(S[3],S[6])



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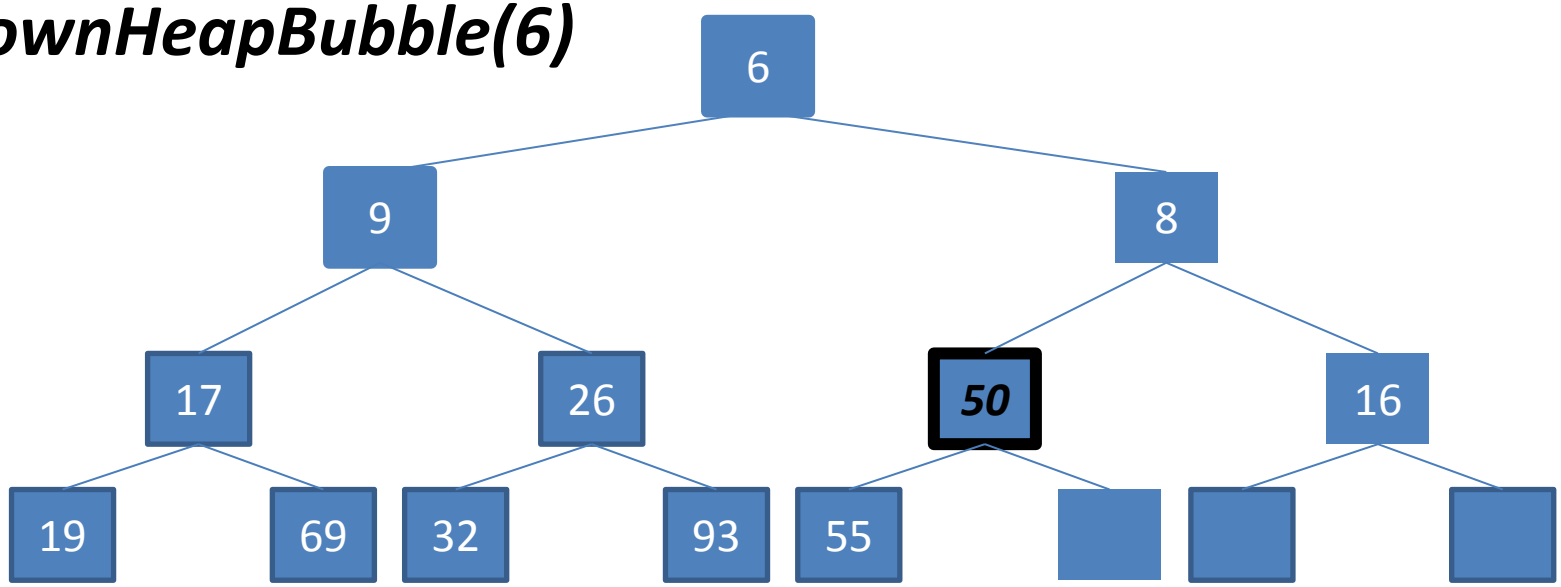
last: ***12***

capacity: 15

4

downHeapBubble(6)



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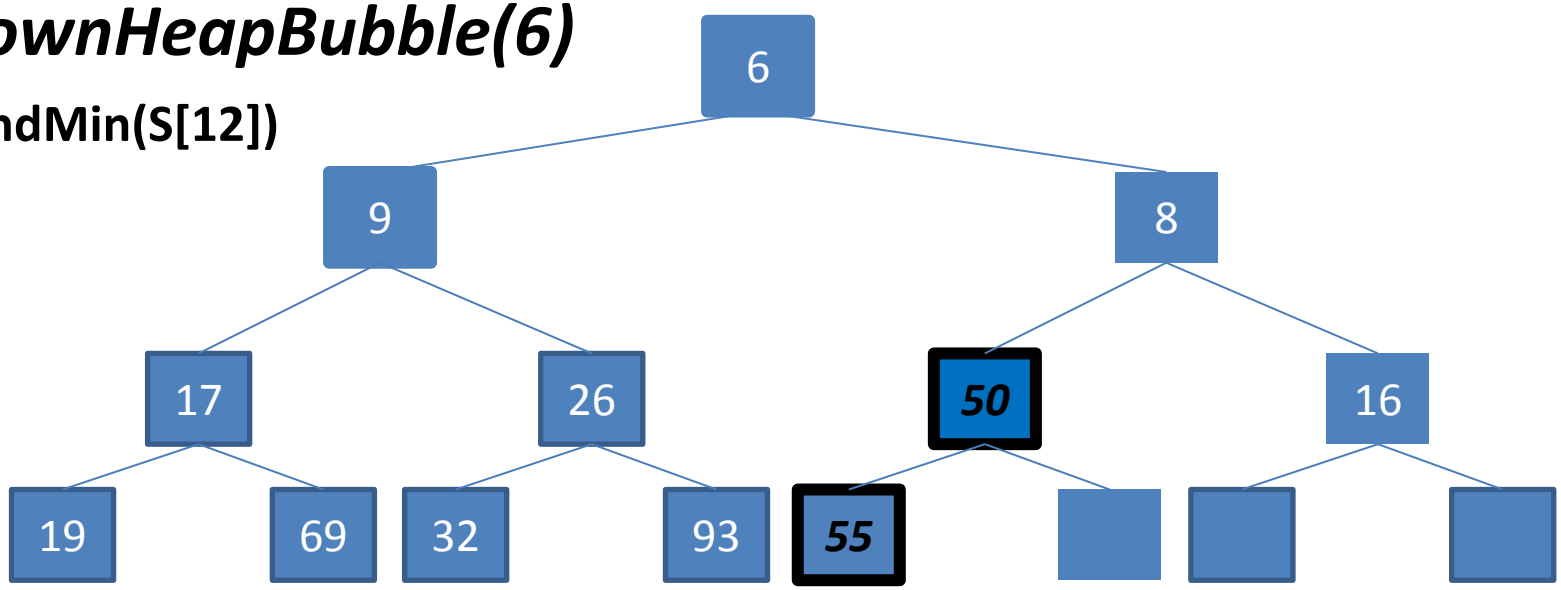
last: ***12***

capacity: 15

4

downHeapBubble(6)

findMin(S[12])



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capacity: 15

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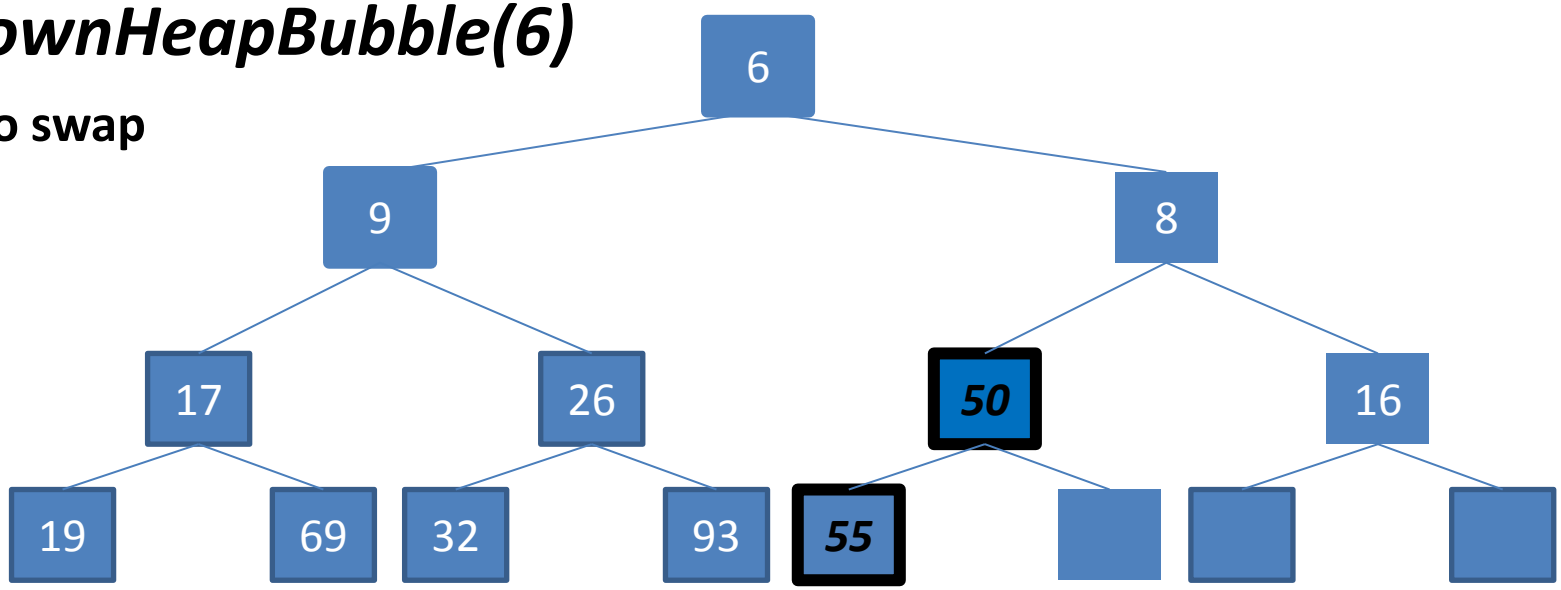
downHeapBubble(6)

No swap



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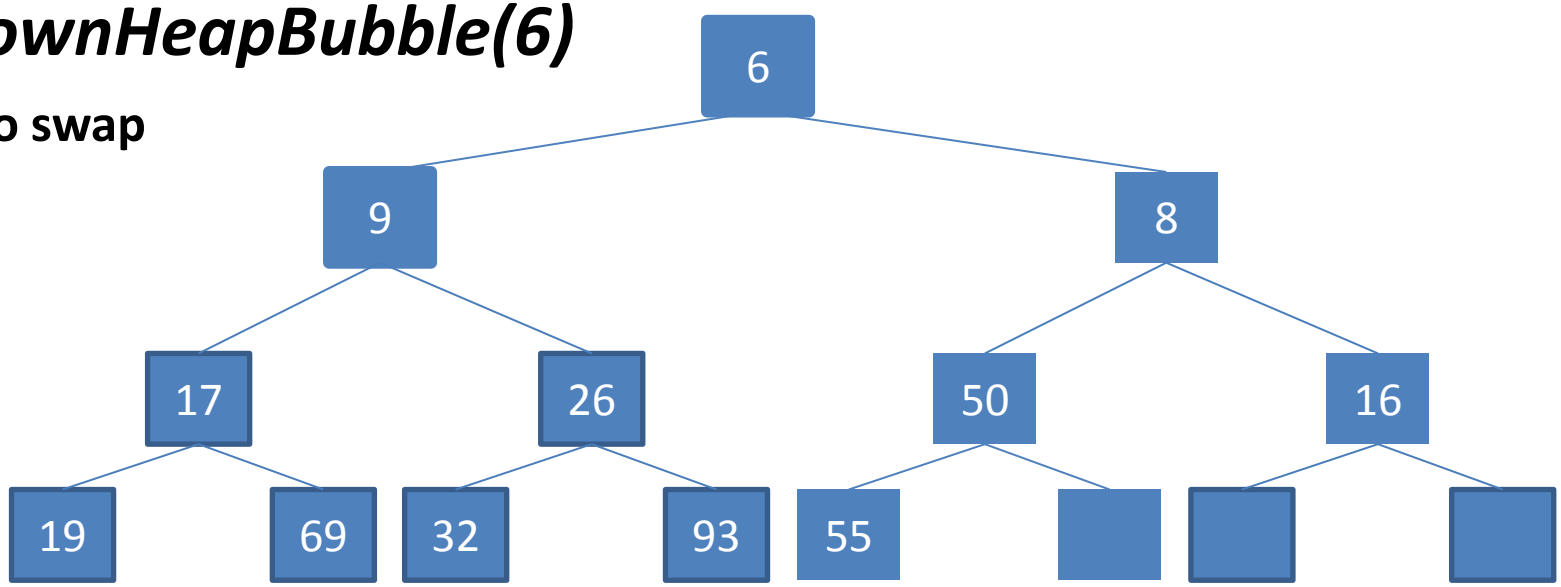
last: ***12***

capacity: 15

4

downHeapBubble(6)

No swap



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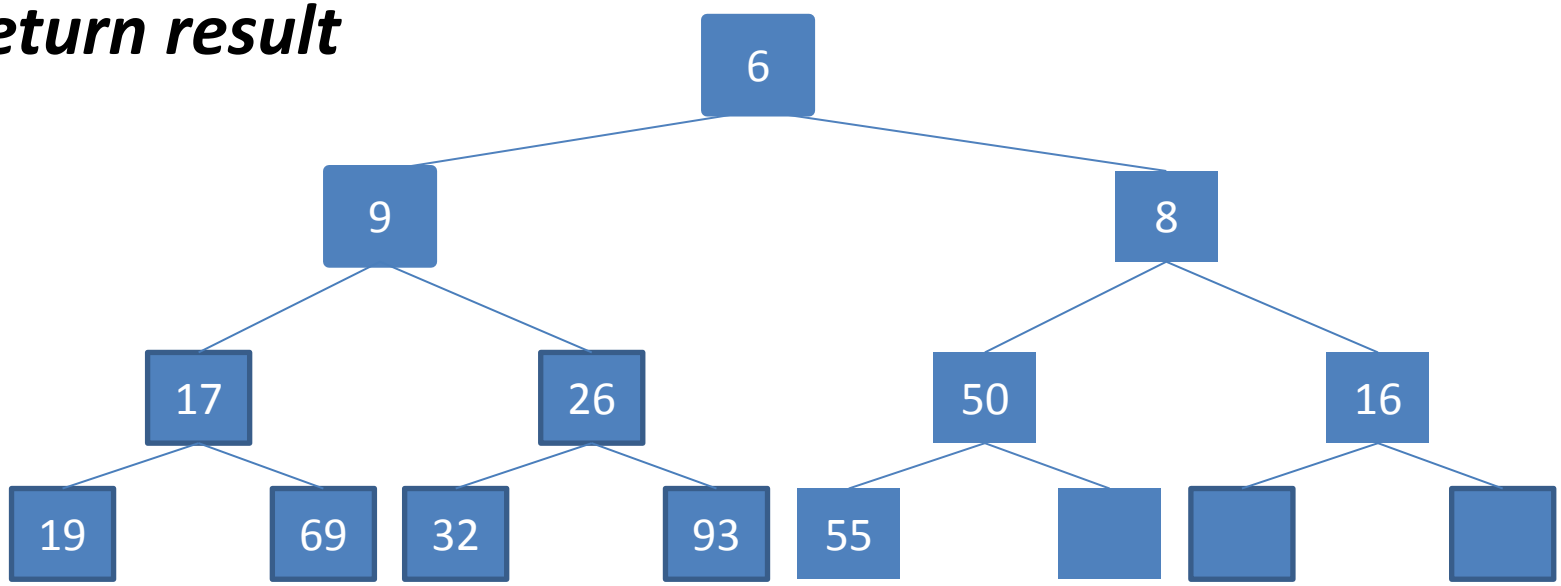
capacity: 15

4

Return result



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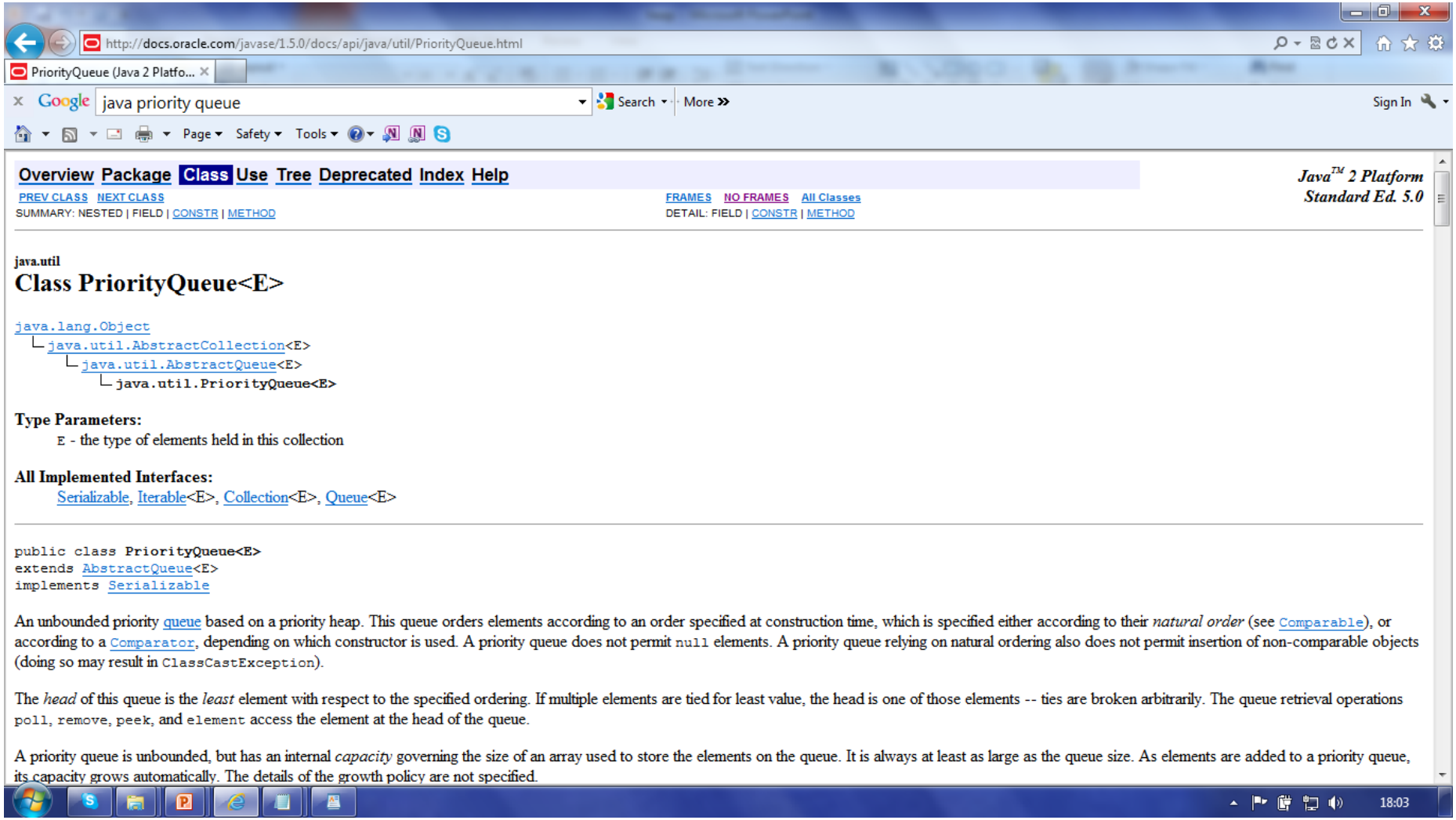
last: ***12***

capacity: 15

Method	Time
size	O(1)
isEmpty	O(1)
insert	O(log(n))
removeMin	O(log(n))
min	O(1)

Have a look at priority queue as given in Java distribution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Class PriorityQueue<E>
java.lang.Object
java.util.AbstractCollection<E>
java.util.AbstractQueue<E>
java.util.PriorityQueue<E>
Type Parameters:
E - the type of elements held in this collection
All Implemented Interfaces:
Serializable, Iterable<E>, Collection<E>, Queue<E>
public class PriorityQueue<E>
extends AbstractQueue<E>
implements Serializable
An unbounded priority queue based on a priority heap. This queue orders elements according to an order specified at construction time, which is specified either according to their natural order (see Comparable), or according to a Comparator, depending on which constructor is used. A priority queue does not permit null elements. A priority queue relying on natural ordering also does not permit insertion of non-comparable objects (doing so may result in ClassCastException).
The head of this queue is the least element with respect to the specified ordering. If multiple elements are tied for least value, the head is one of those elements -- ties are broken arbitrarily. The queue retrieval operations poll, remove, peek, and element access the element at the head of the queue.
A priority queue is unbounded, but has an internal capacity governing the size of an array used to store the elements on the queue. It is always at least as large as the queue size. As elements are added to a priority queue, its capacity grows automatically. The details of the growth policy are not specified.
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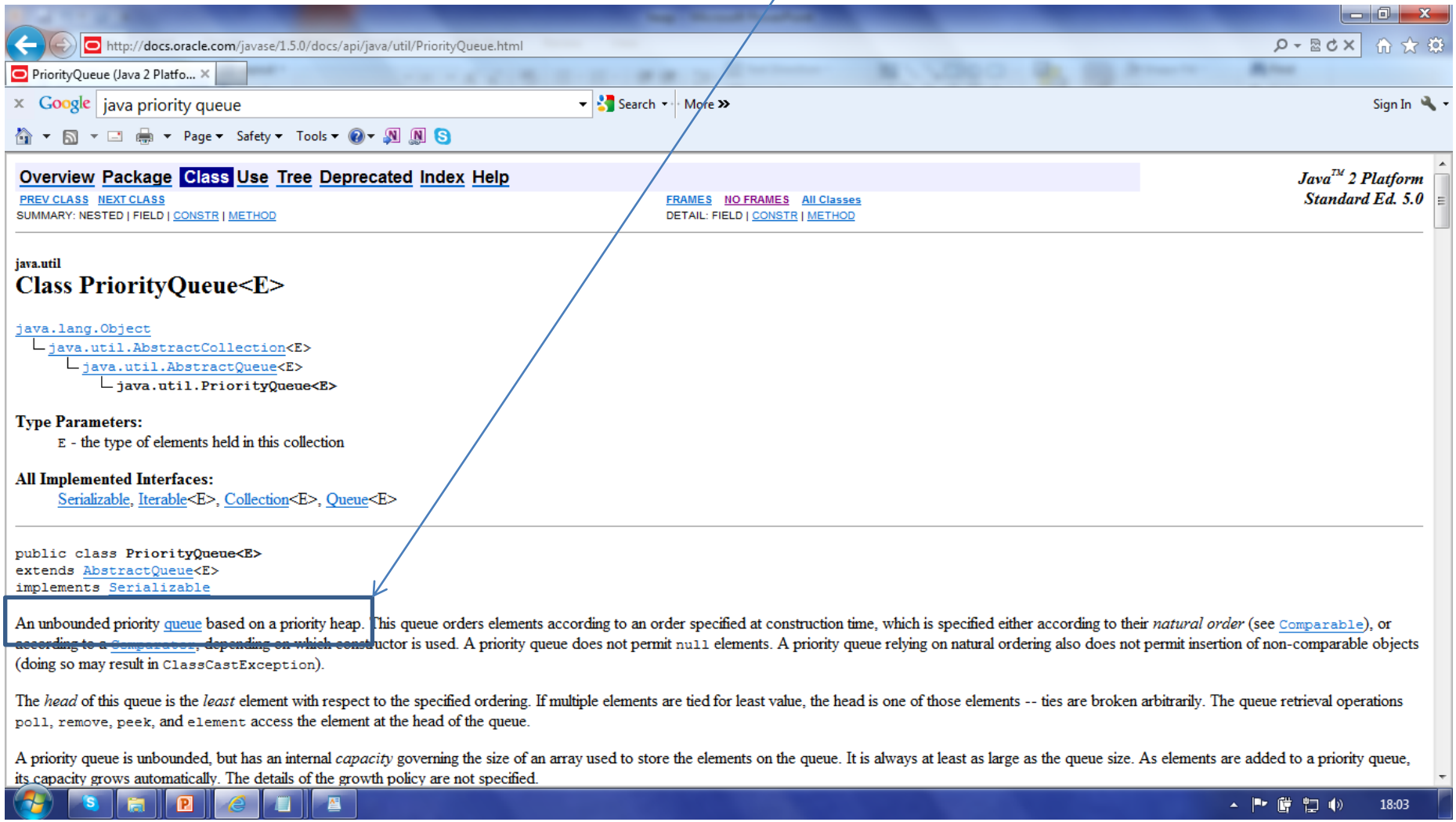
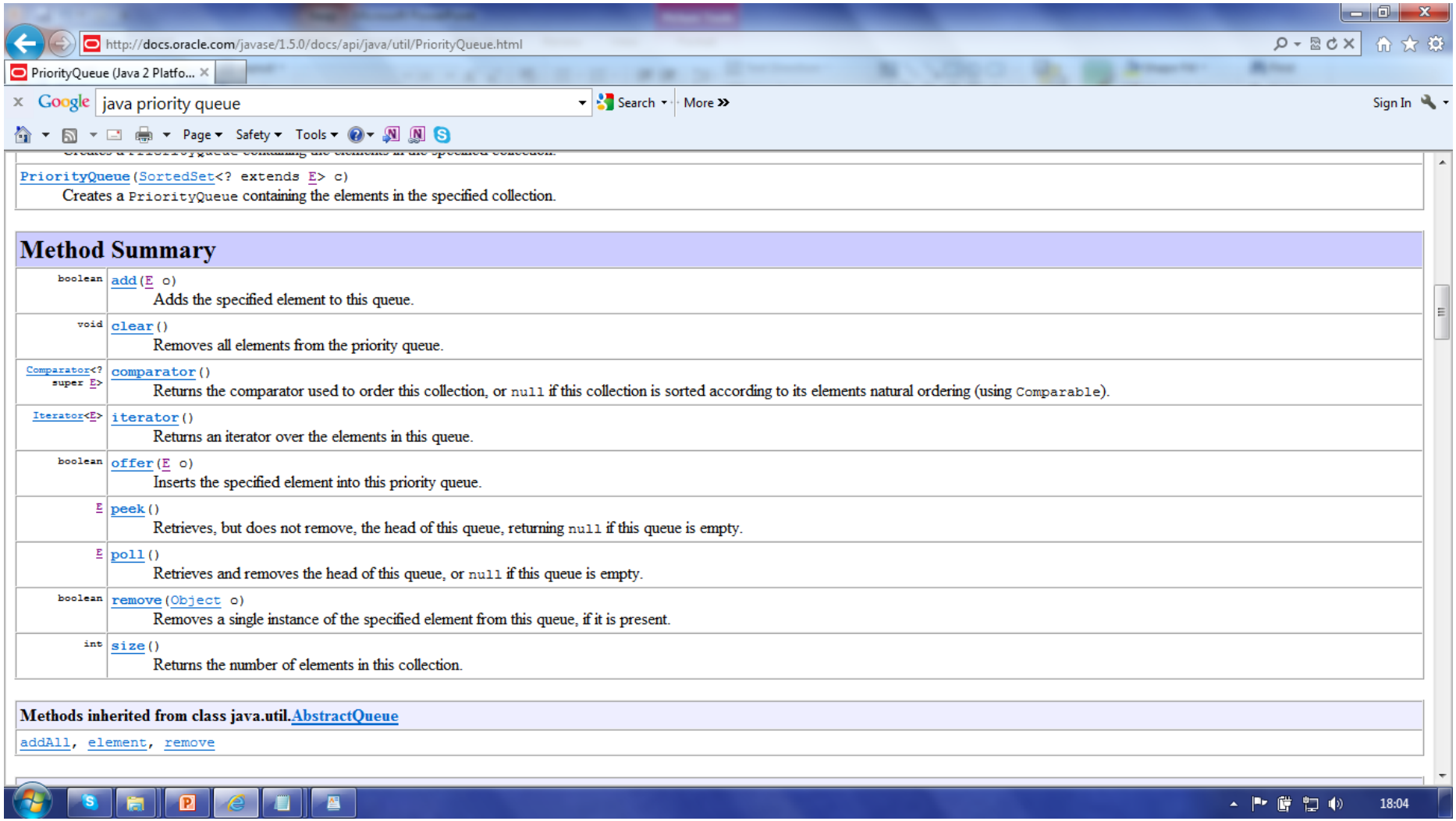
… based on a priority heap





Different method names … add rather than insert

Your mission, should you choose to accept it …

Exercise 4 (***assessed***)

- Implement the Heap
- Use it for sorting

FIN