

# CSCI 241

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Heaps:  
Definition, add, Storage

# Goals

Know the definition and properties of a **heap**.

Understand how heaps are stored in practice.

Be prepared to implement **add** and execute it  
on paper

# Heap implements PriorityQueue

A heap is a **concrete** data structure that can be used to **implement** a Priority Queue

Better runtime complexity than list, BST, AVL implementation:

- **peek()** is  $O(1)$
- **poll()** is  $O(\log n)$
- **add()** is  $O(\log n)$

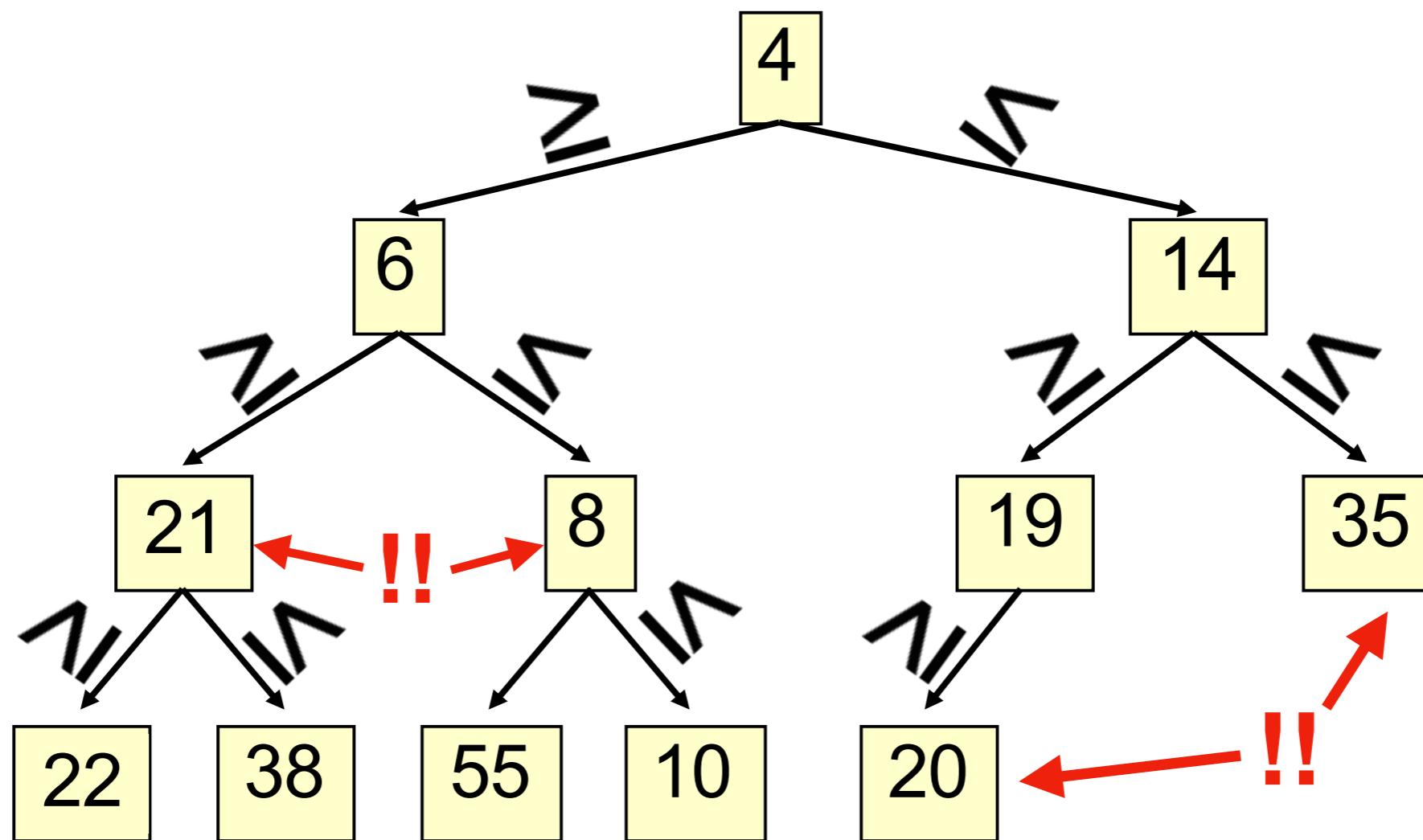
Not to be confused with *heap memory*, where the Java virtual machine allocates space for objects - different usage of the word heap.

A heap is a special binary tree  
with two additional properties.

# A heap is a special binary tree.

## 1. Heap Order Invariant:

Each element  $\geq$  its parent.



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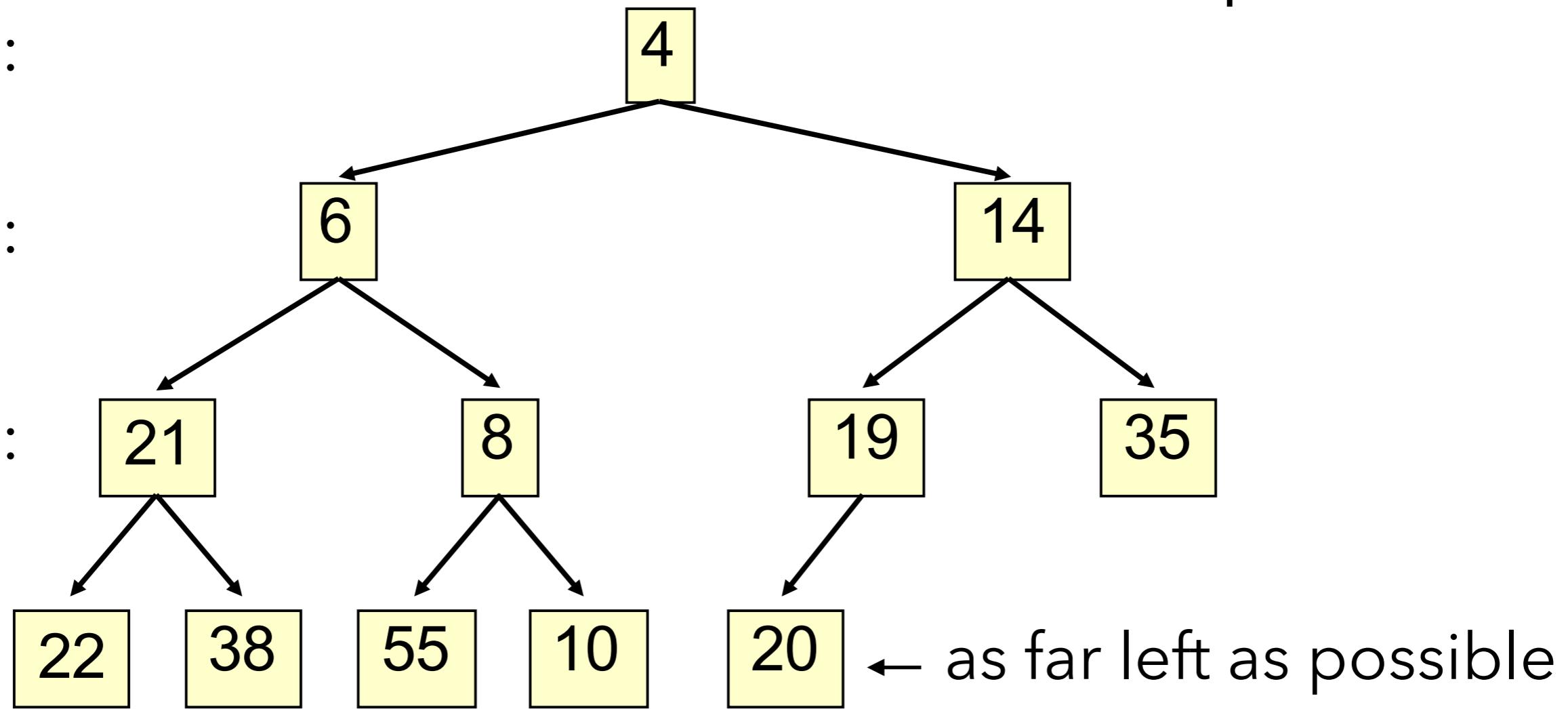
## 2. **Complete**: no holes!

- All levels except the last are **full**.
- Nodes in last level are as far left as possible.

Full:

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# Heap Operations

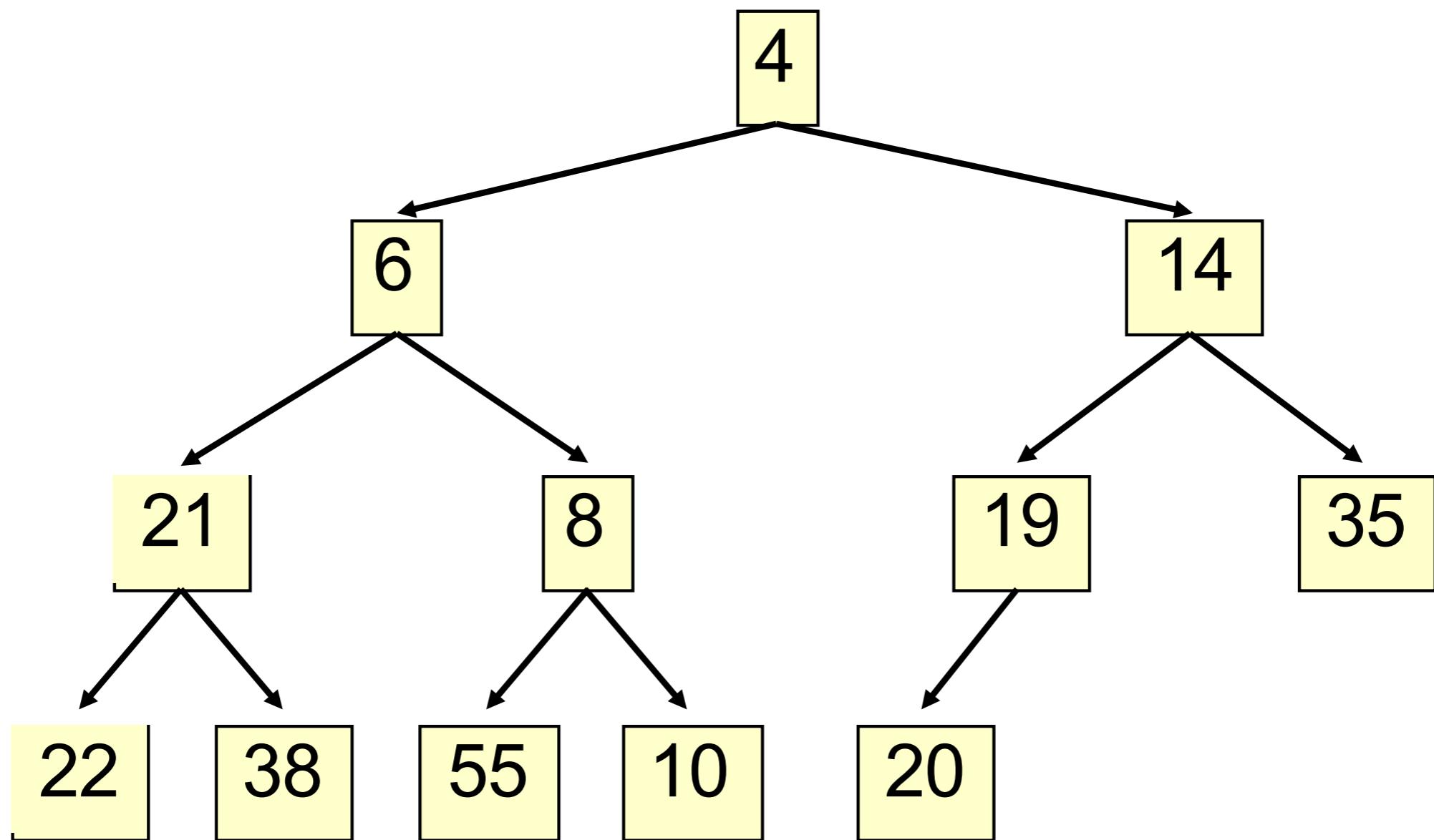
```
interface PriorityQueue<V v, P p> {  
    // insert value v with priority p  
    void add(V v, P p);  
  
    // return value with min priority  
    V peek();  
  
    // remove/return value with min priority  
    V poll();  
  
    // more methods...  
}
```

```
void add(V v, P p);
```

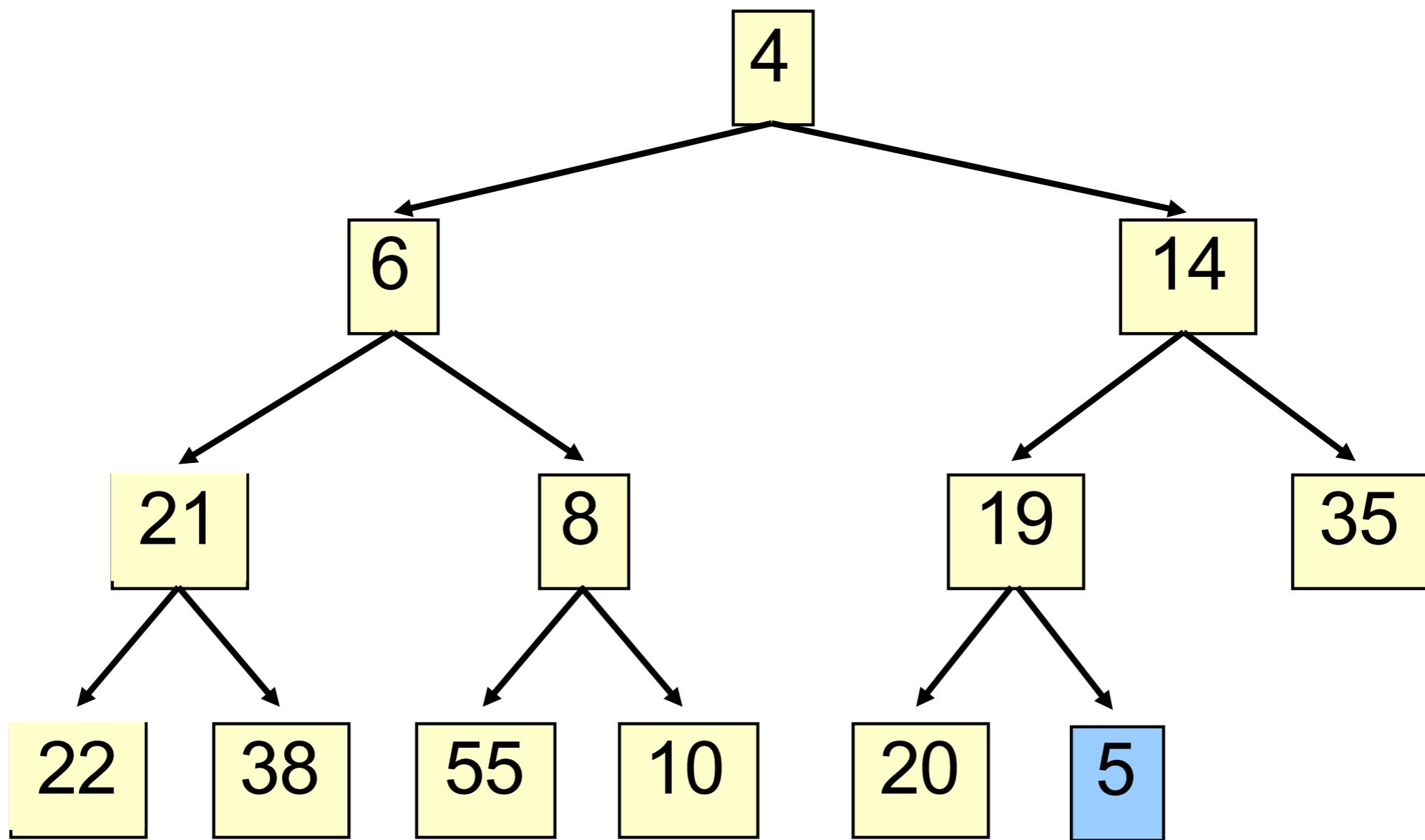
## **Algorithm:**

- Add v in the wrong place
- While v is in the wrong place
  - move v towards the right place

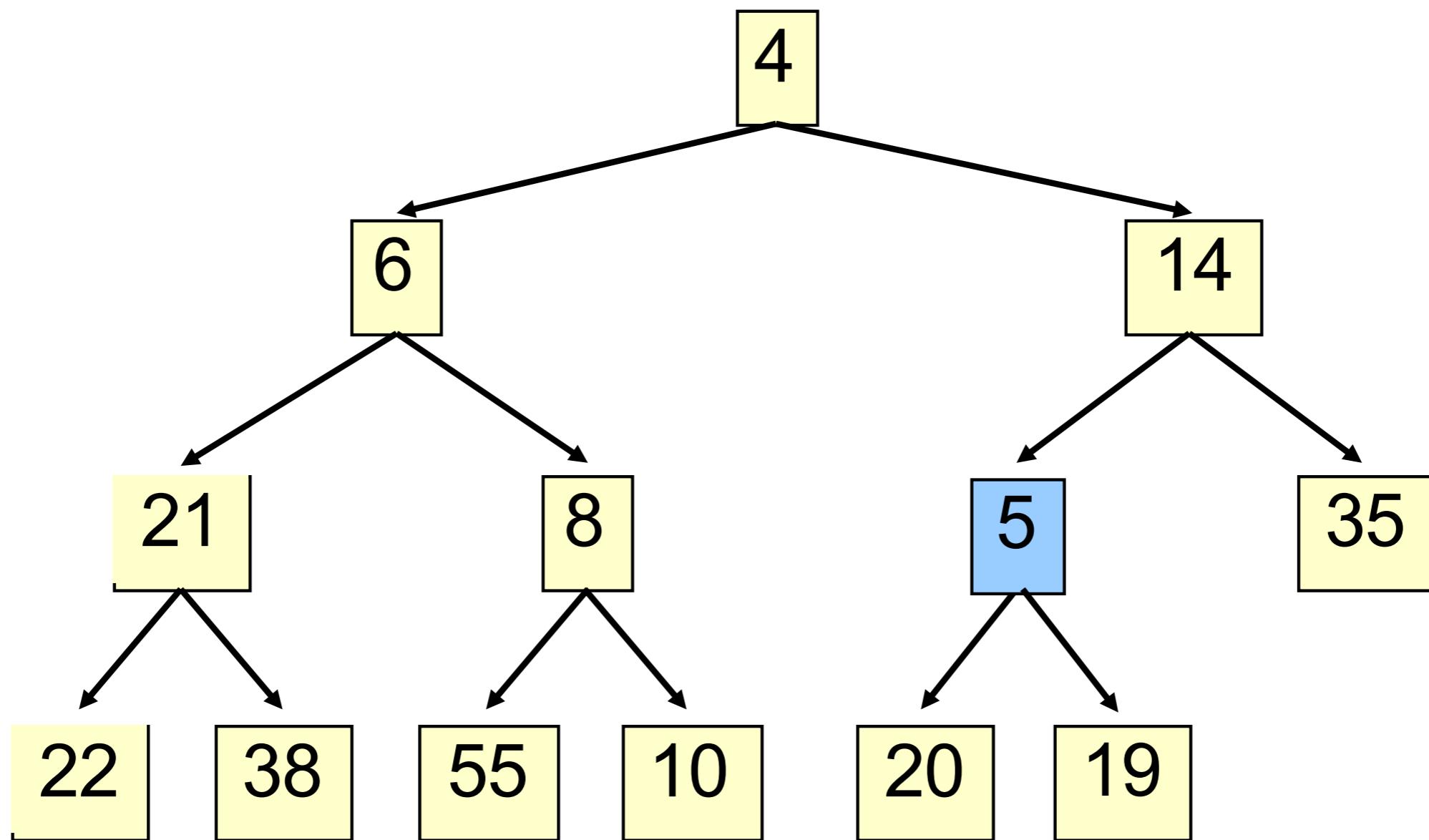
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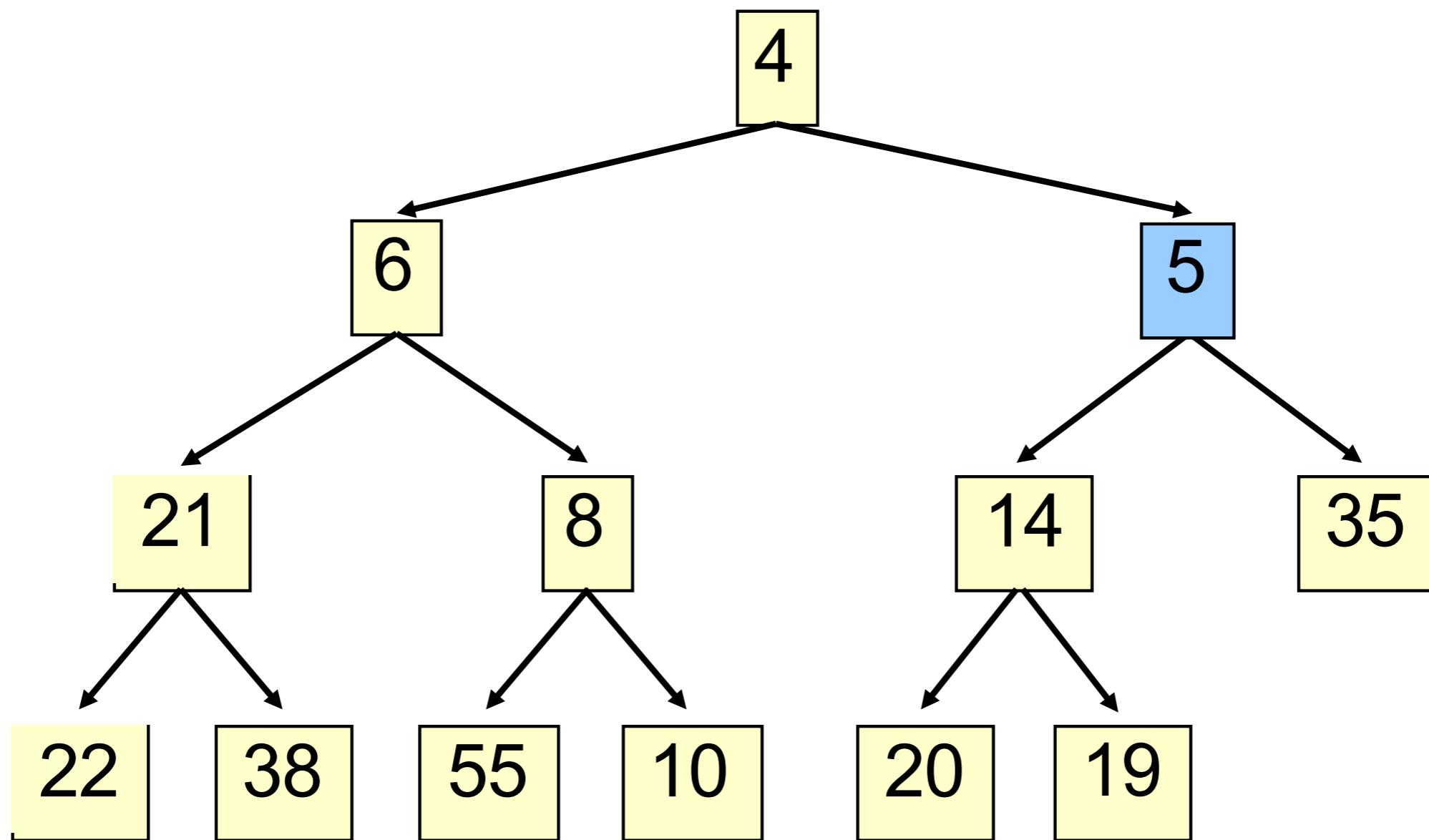
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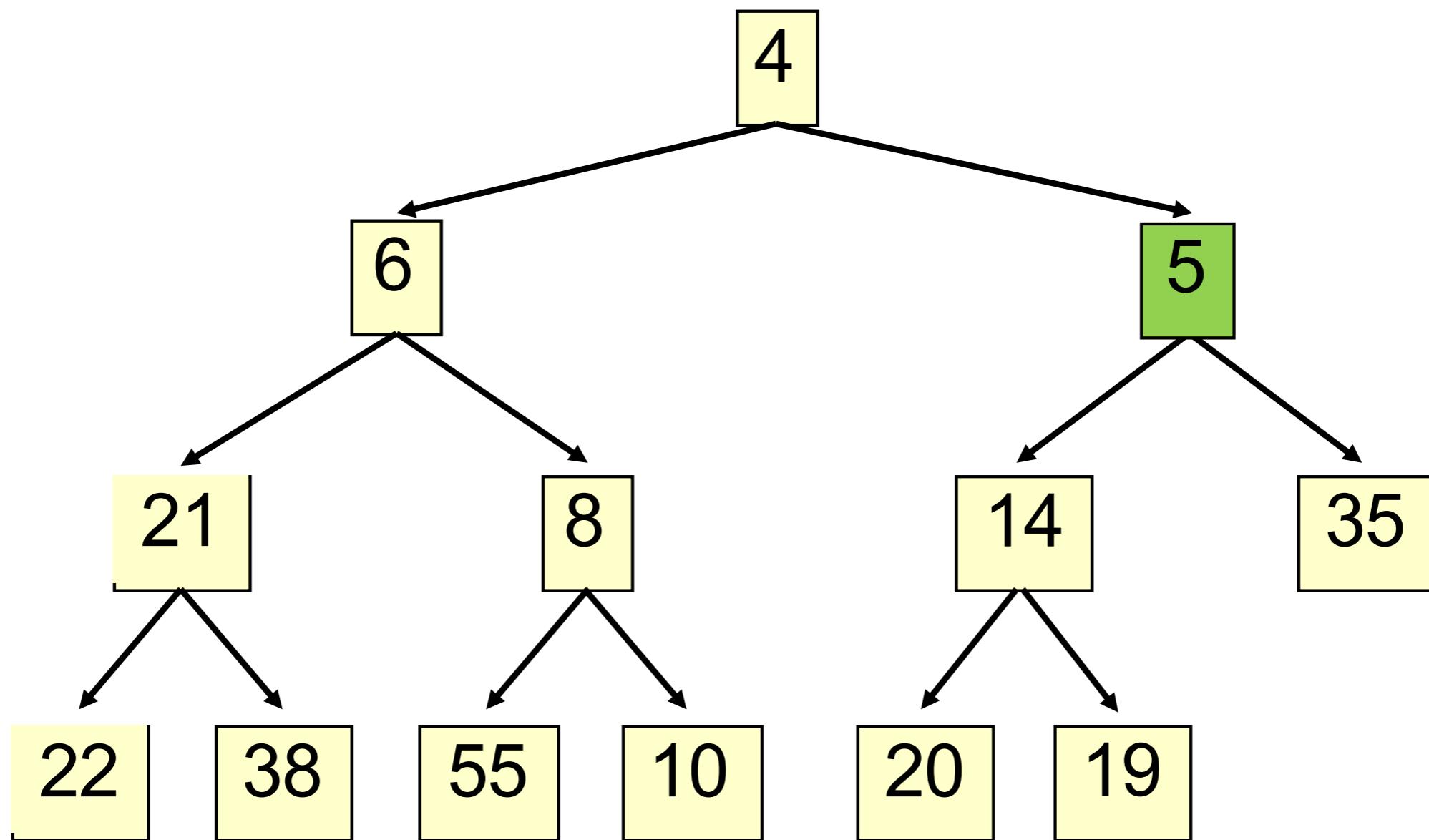
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## Algorithm:

- Add v in the wrong place (the leftmost empty leaf)
- While v is in the wrong place (its p is less than its parent's)
  - move v towards the right place (swap with parent)

The heap invariant is maintained!

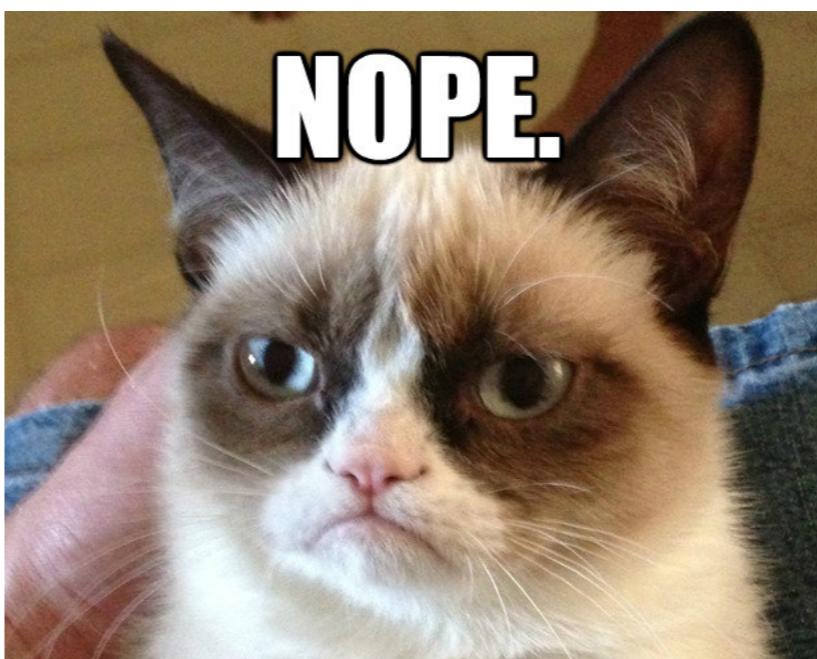
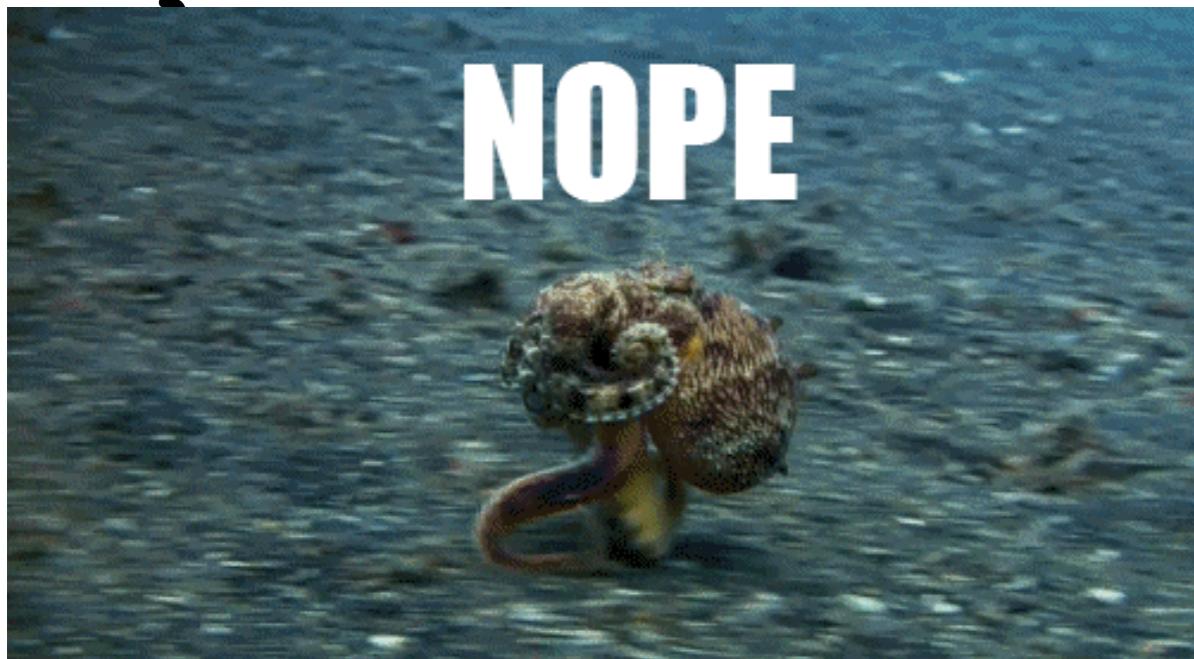
# Implementing Heaps

```
public class HeapNode {  
    private int value;  
    private HeapNode left;  
    private HeapNode right;  
    ...  
}  
public class Heap {  
    HeapNode root;  
    ...
```

# Implementing Heaps

```
public class HeapNope {  
    private int value;  
    private HeapNope left;  
    private HeapNope right;
```

...



# A heap is a special binary tree.

## 2. **Complete:** no holes!

Full:

4

Full:

6

14

Full:

21

8

19

35

22

38

55

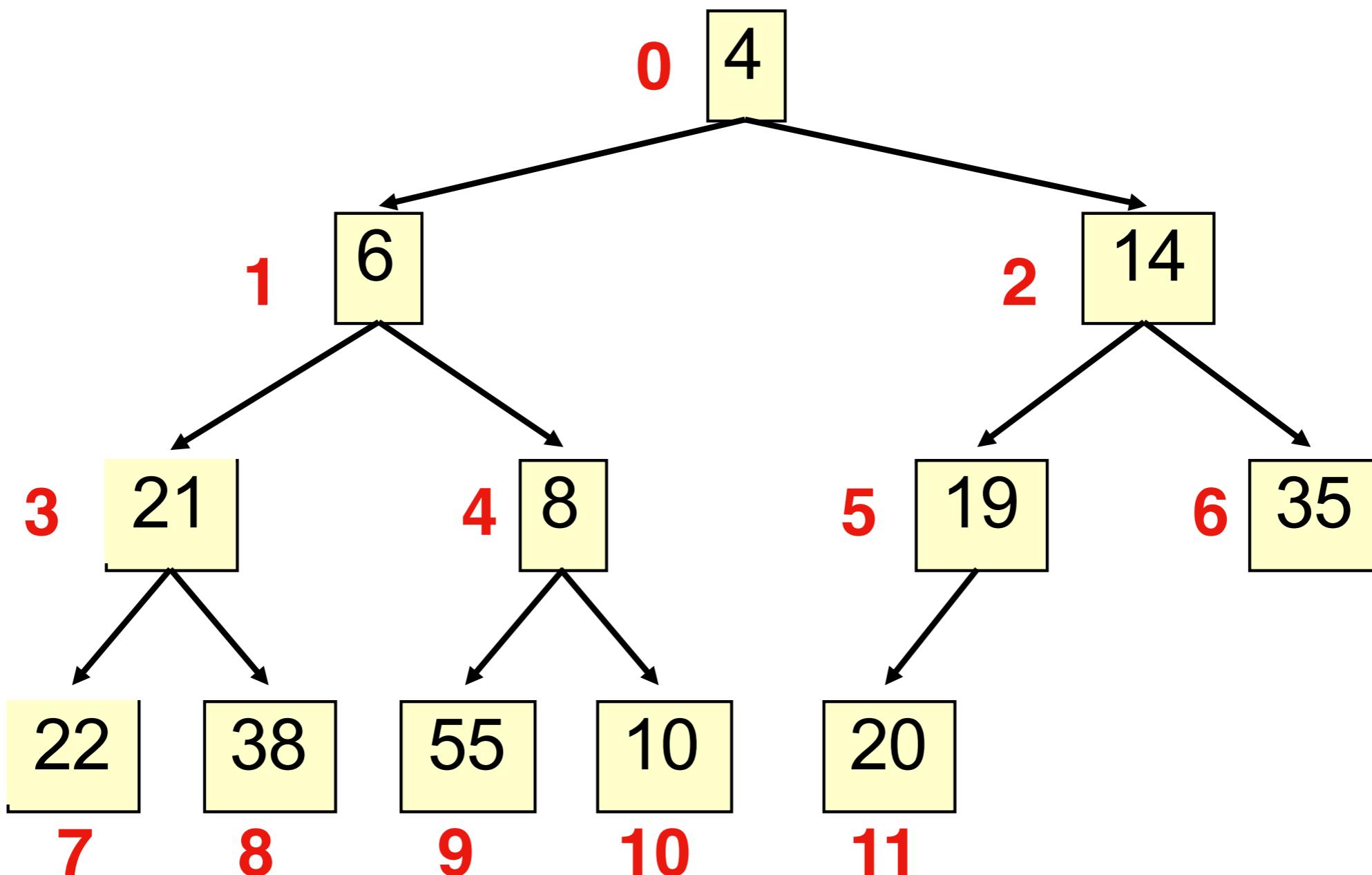
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← as far left as possible

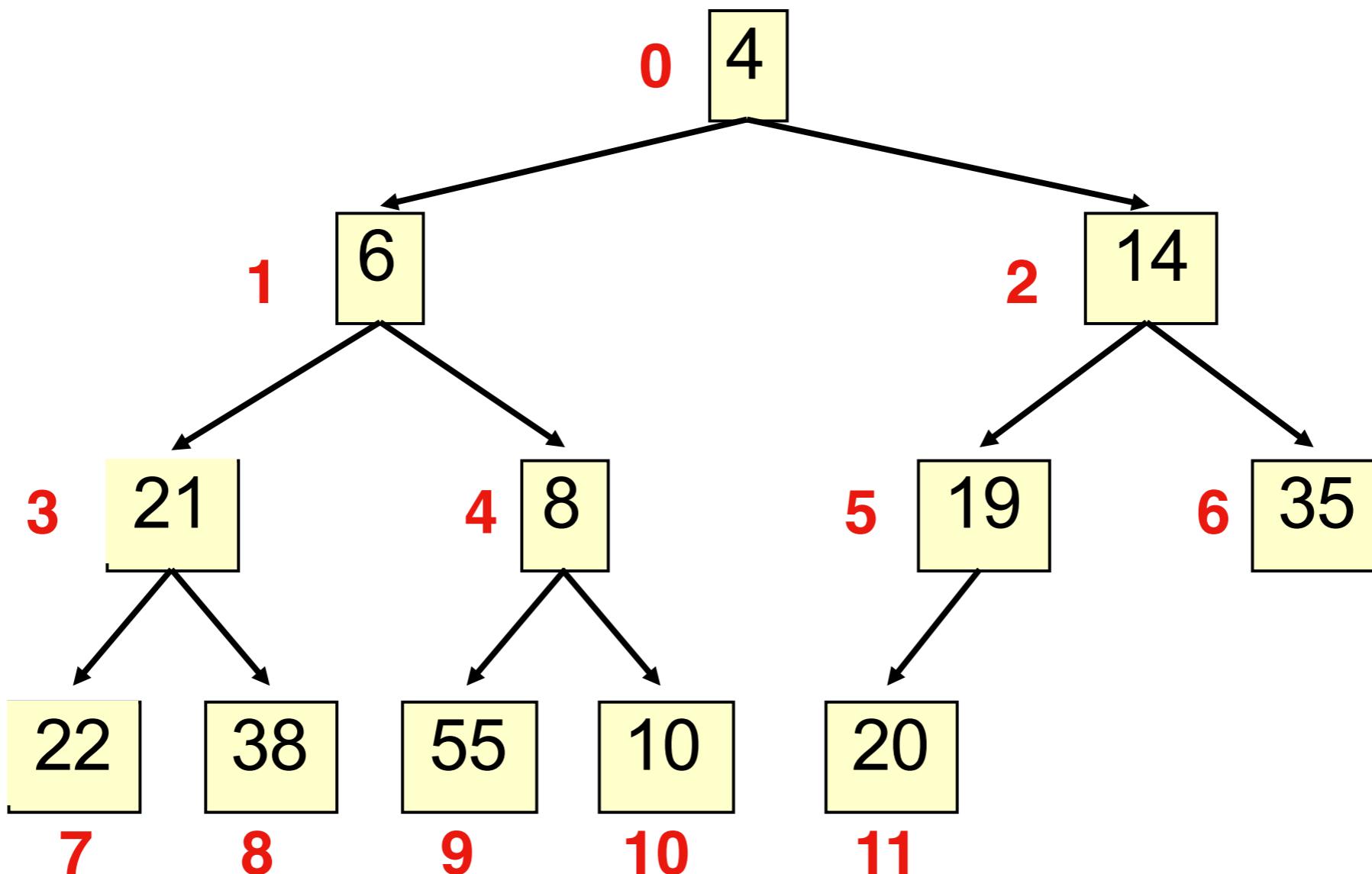
# Numbering Nodes

**Level-order** traversal:



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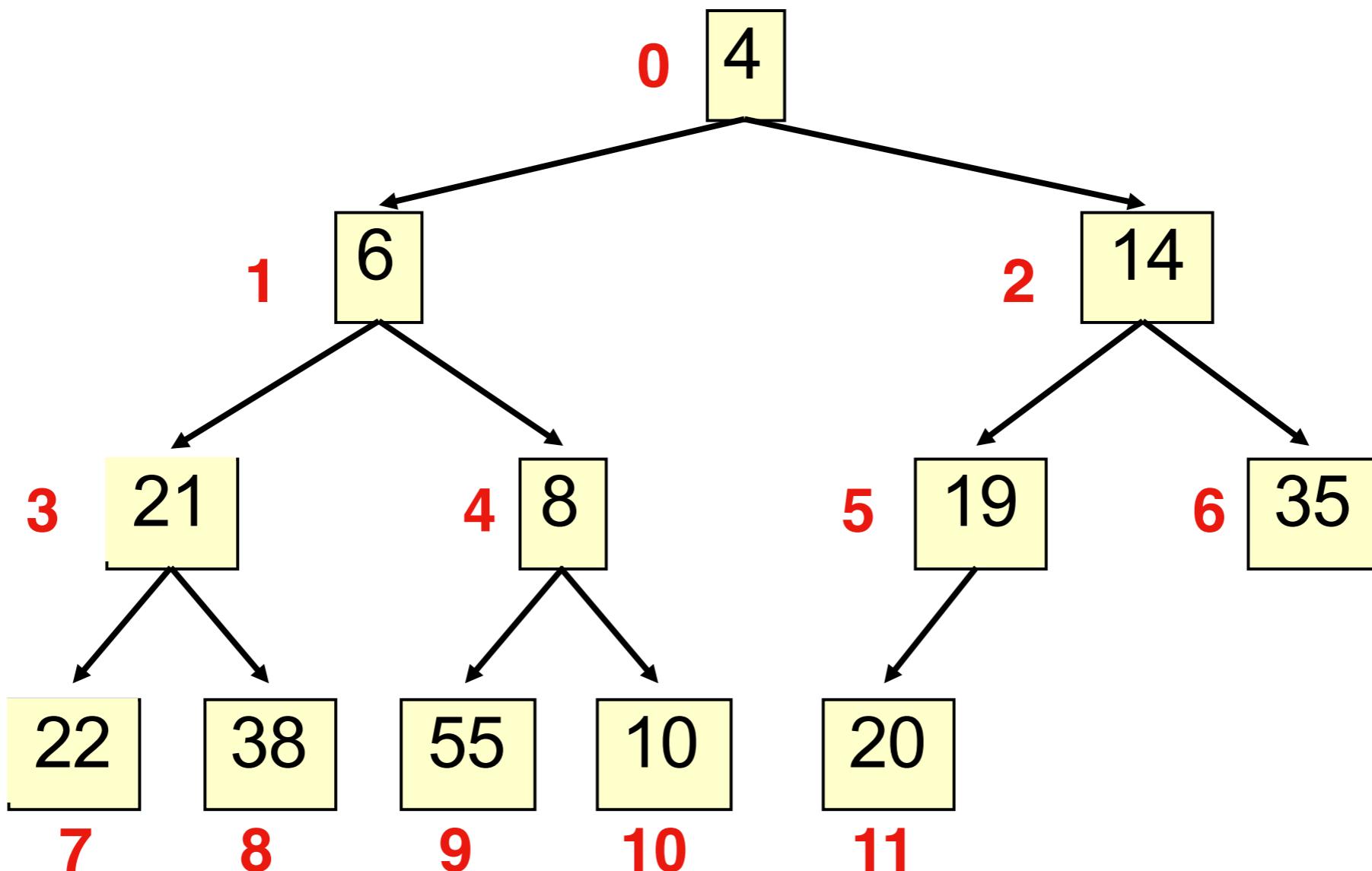


node **k**'s parent is

node **k**'s children are nodes

and

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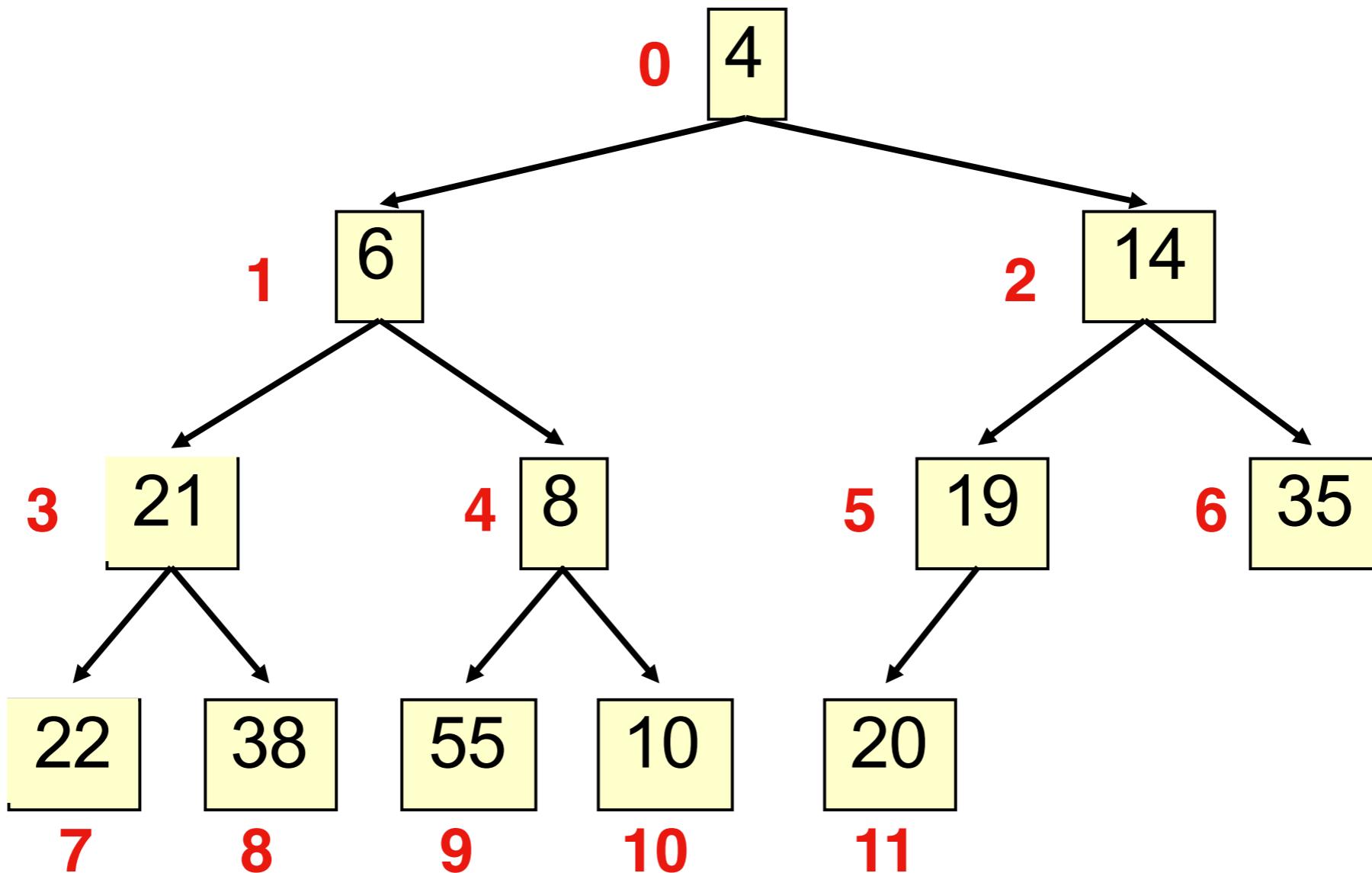


node **k**'s parent is  $(k - 1)/2$

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# Numbering Nodes



node **k**'s parent is  $(k - 1)/2$

node **k**'s children are nodes  $2k + 1$  and  $2k + 2$

# Implementing Heaps

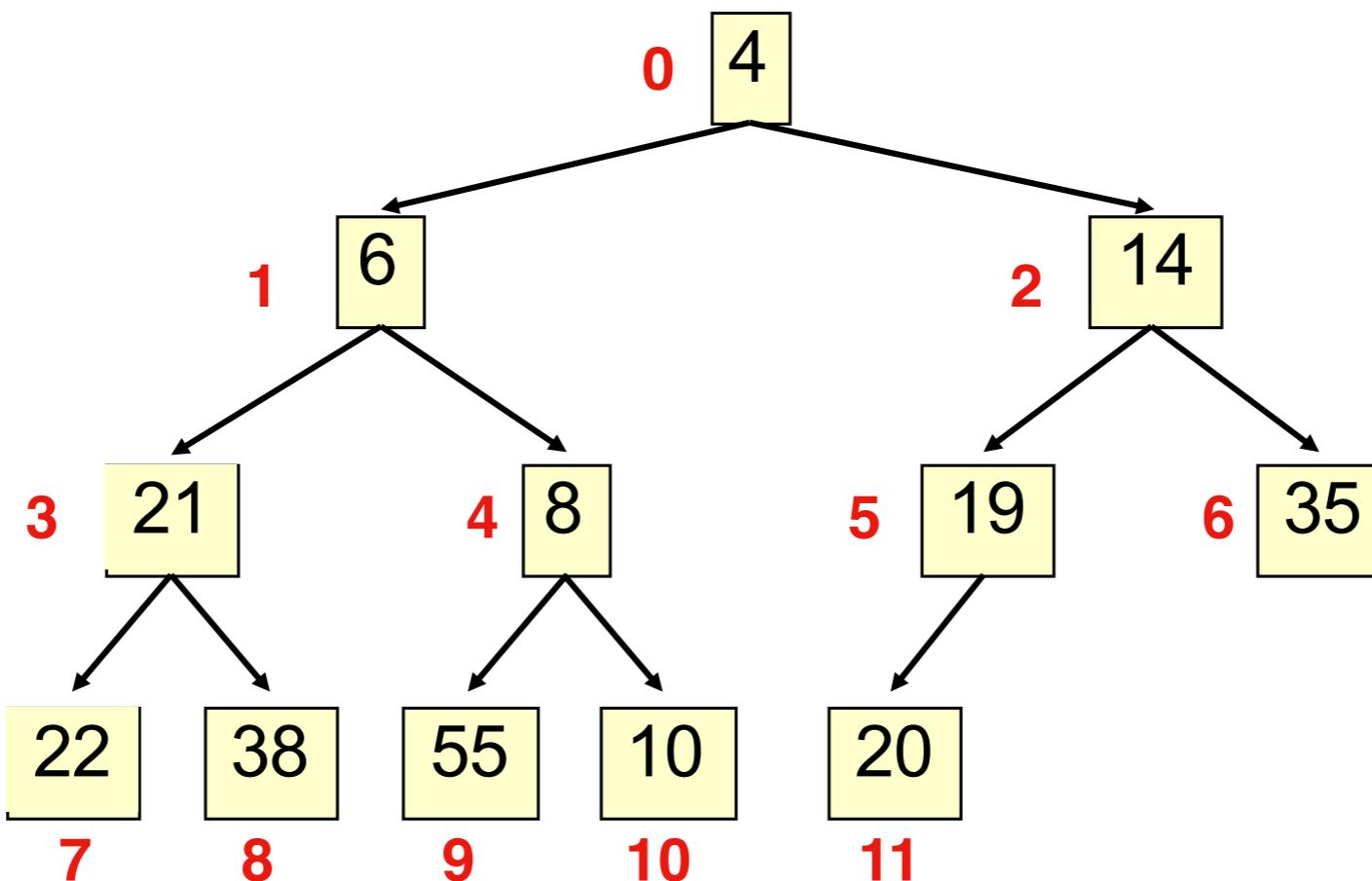
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public class Heap {  
    private Entry[ ] heap;  
    private int size;  
  
    . . .  
}
```

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

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# Implicit Tree Structure

2. Complete: **no holes!**



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