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Operation	*Binary Heap*	*BST*	*Binomial Heap*	*Fibonacci Heap*[*]
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minimum	1	$\log n$	$\log n$	1
is-empty	1	1	1	1
insert	$\log n$	$\log n$	$\log n$	1
delete	$\log n$[**]	$\log n$	$\log n$	$\log n$
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merge	n	$n \log n$	$\log n$	1

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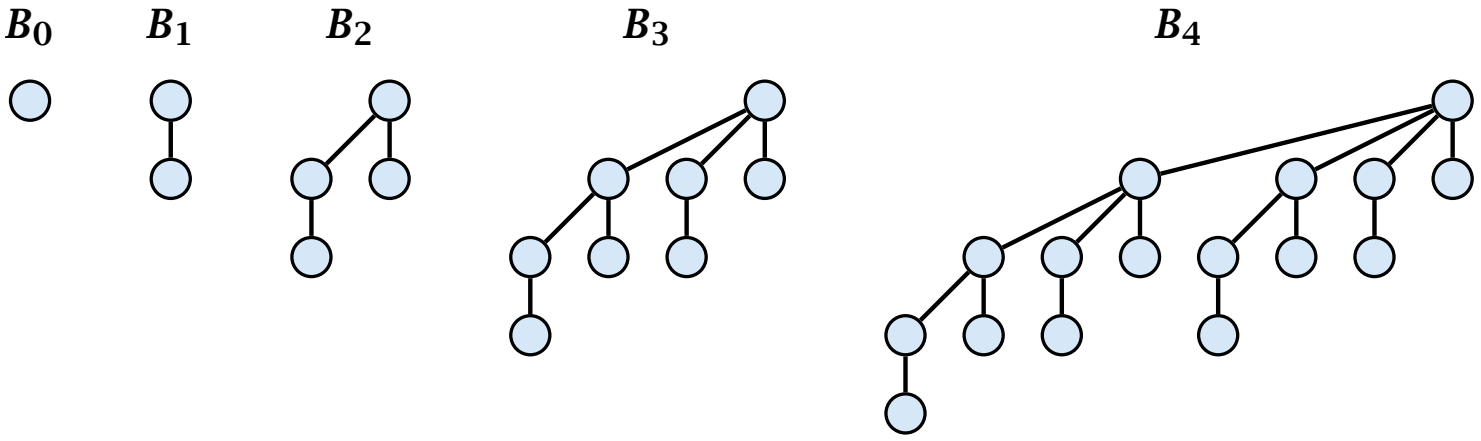

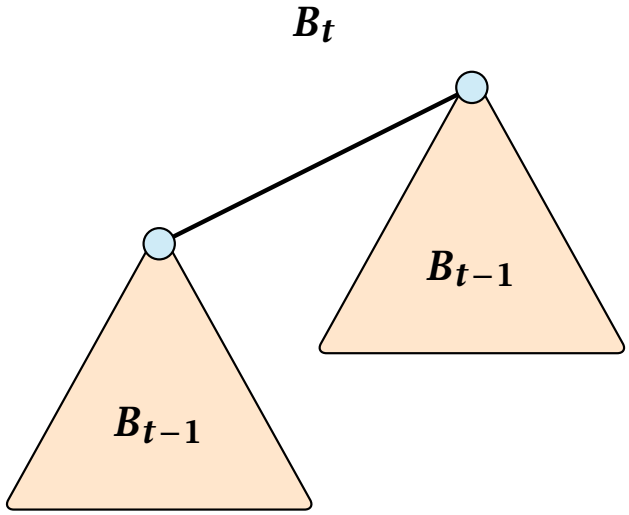

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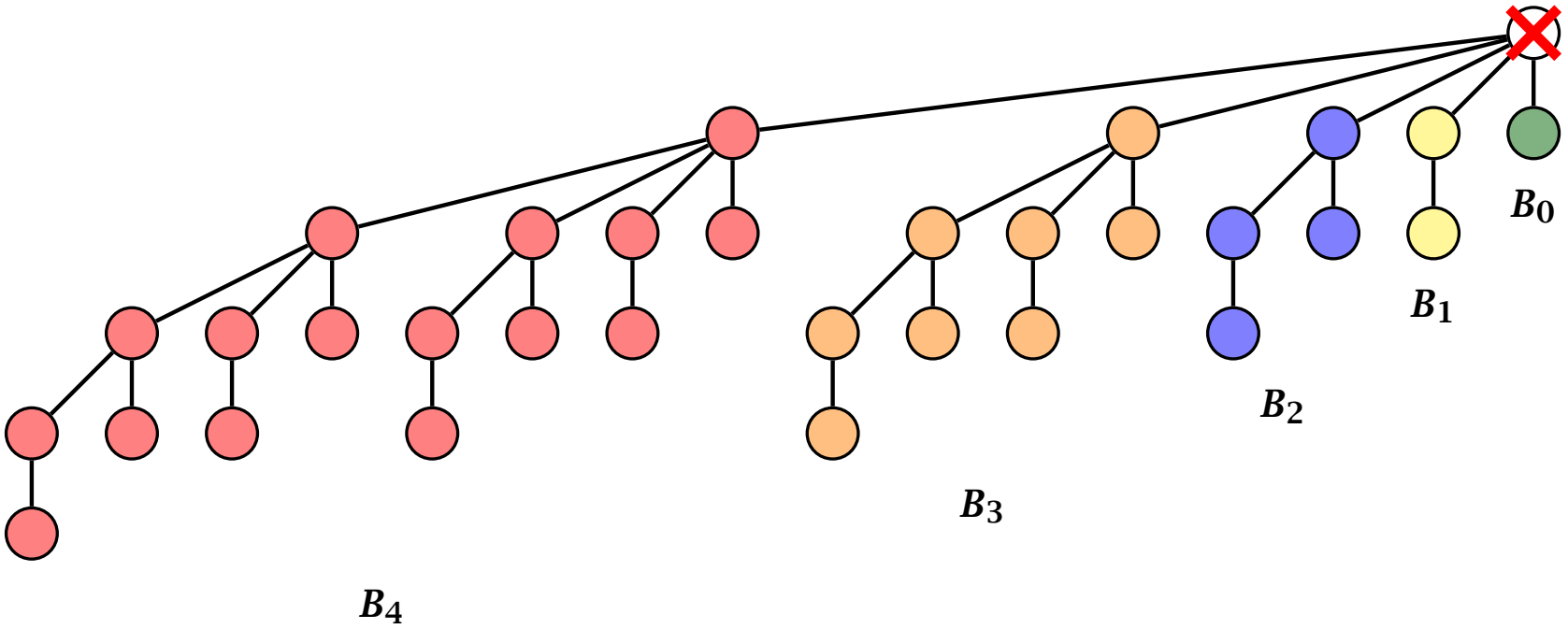

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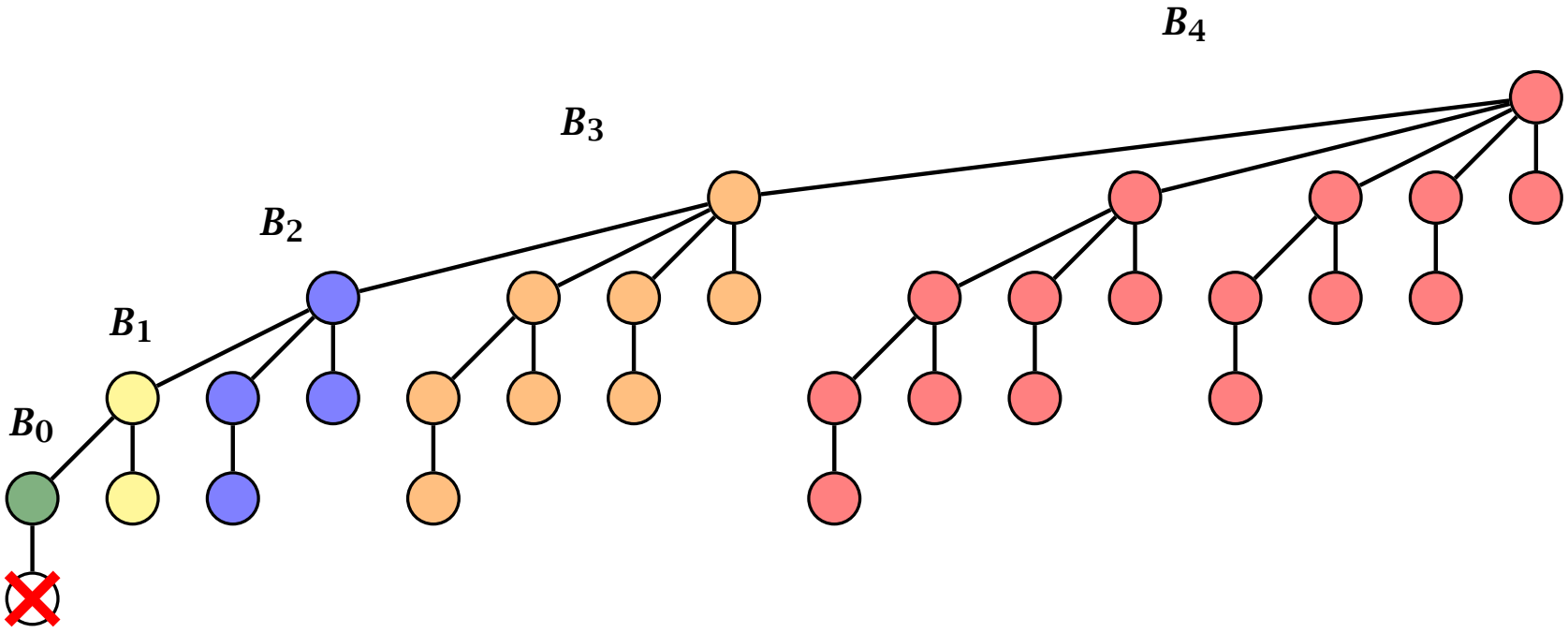

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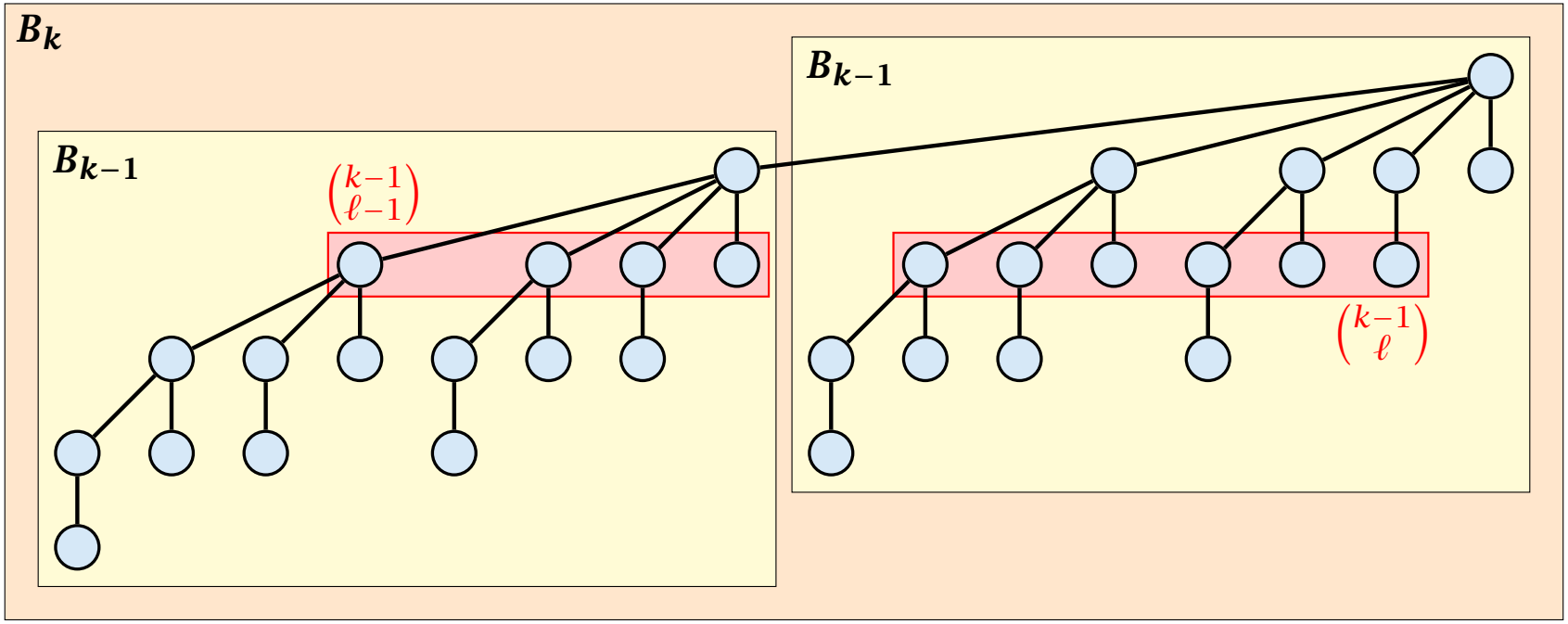

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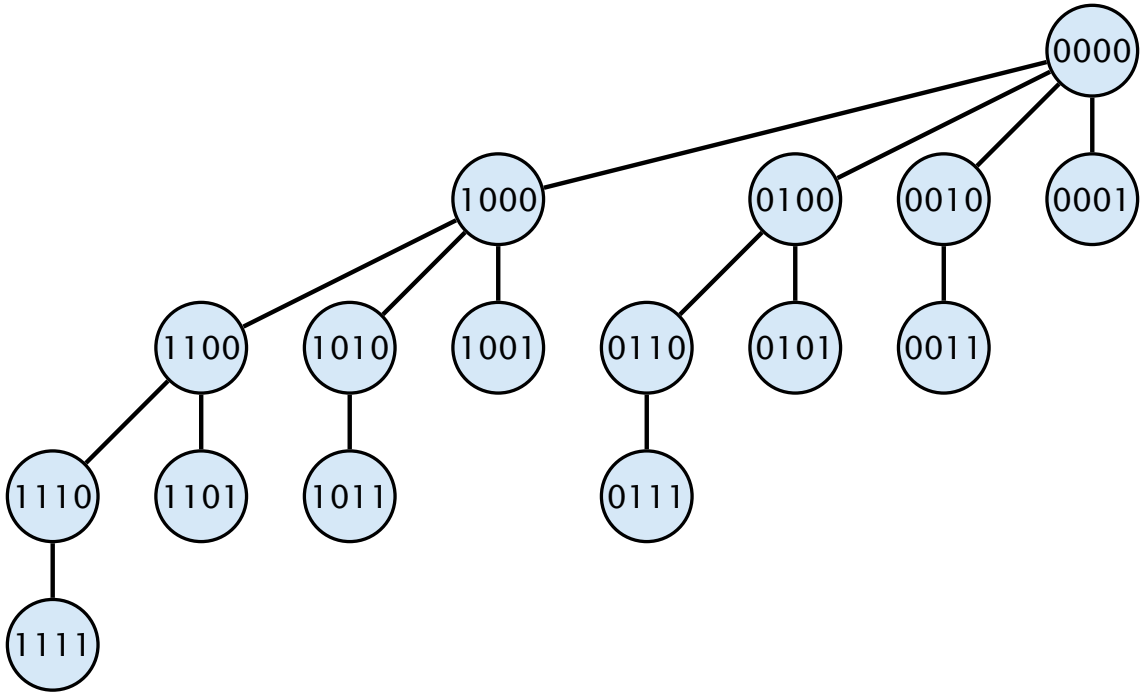

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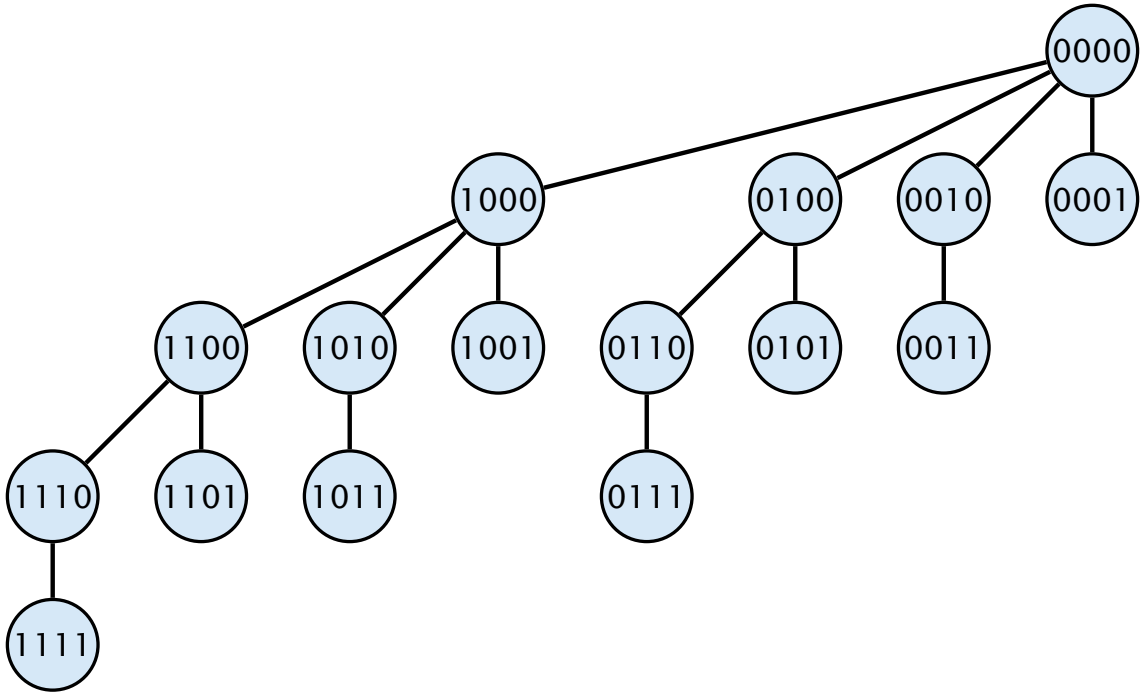

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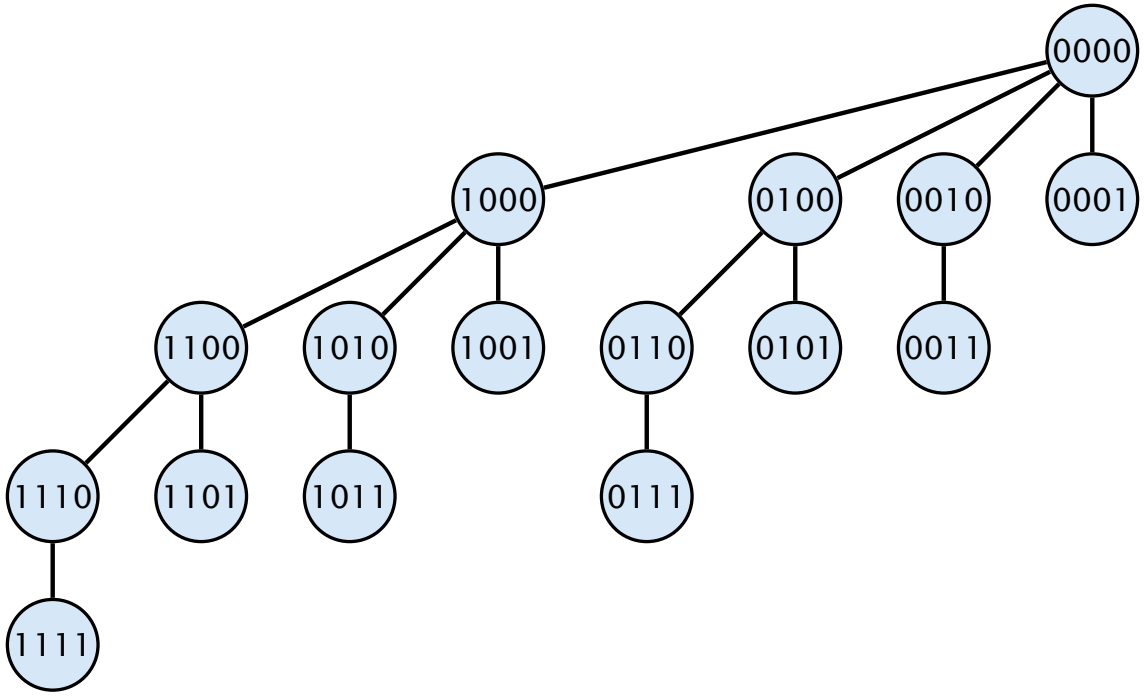

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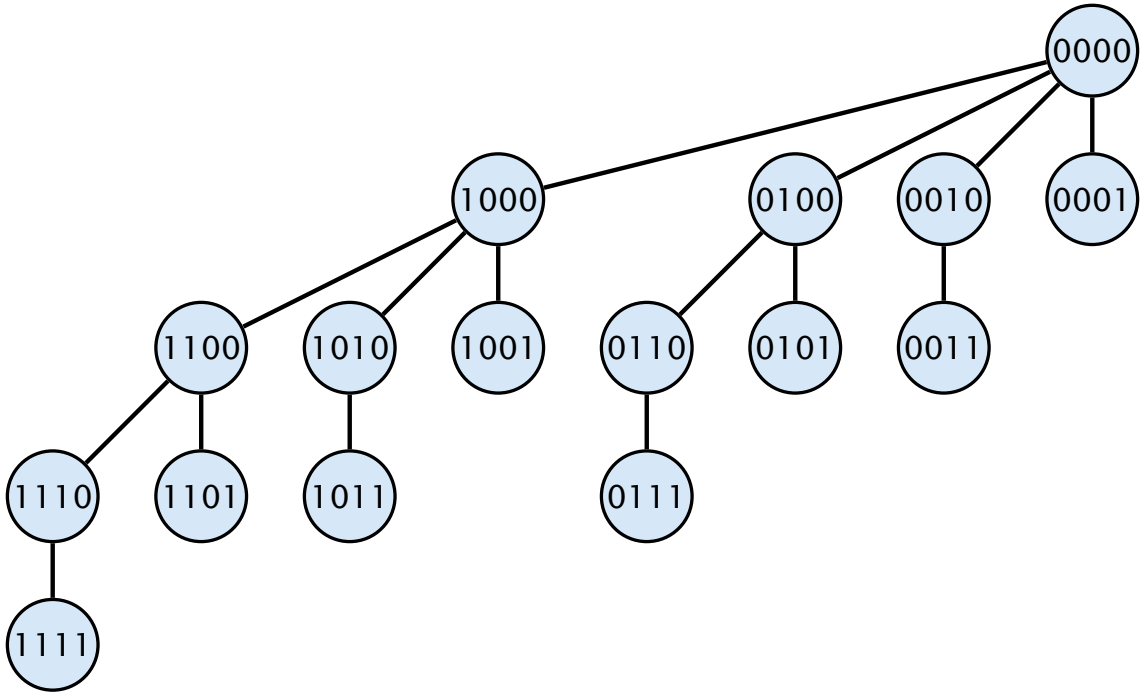

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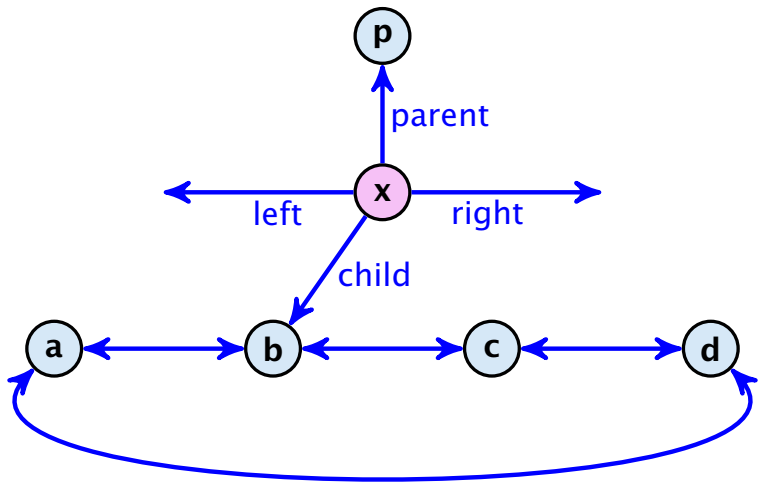

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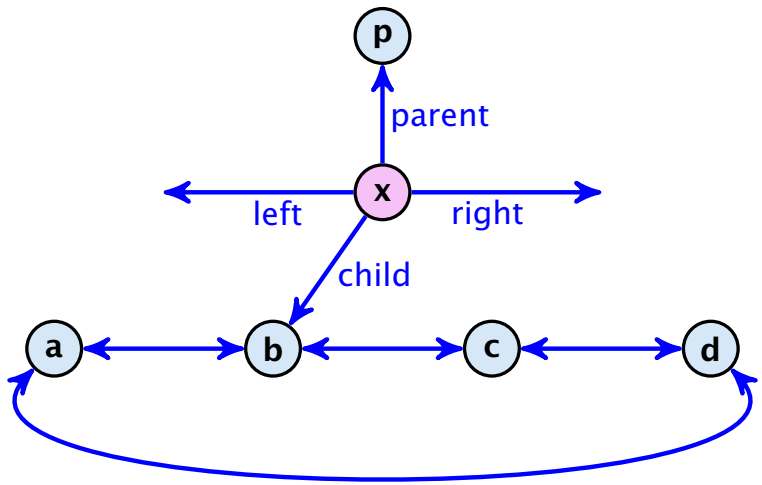

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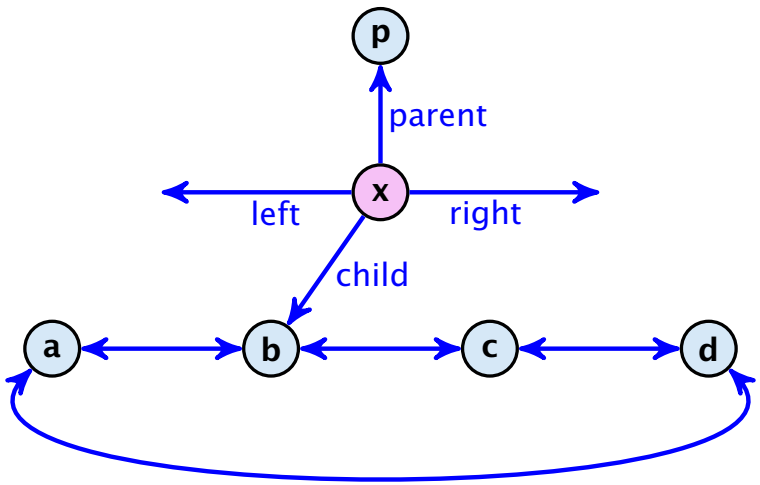

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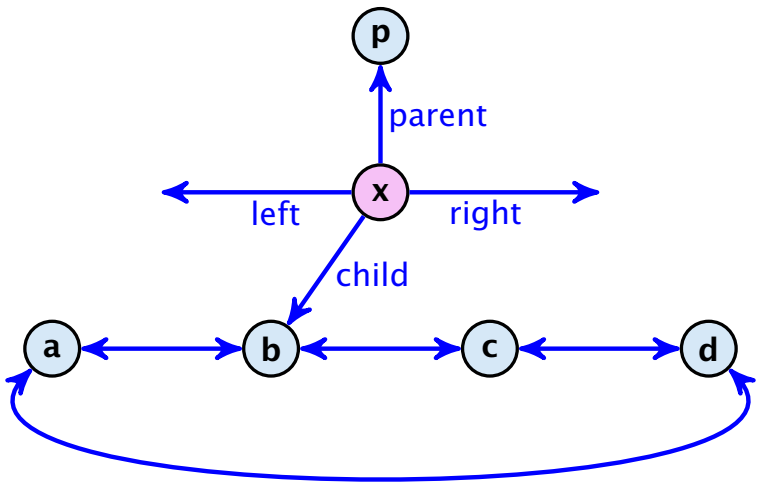

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- Given a pointer to a node x we can splice out the sub-tree rooted at x in constant time.
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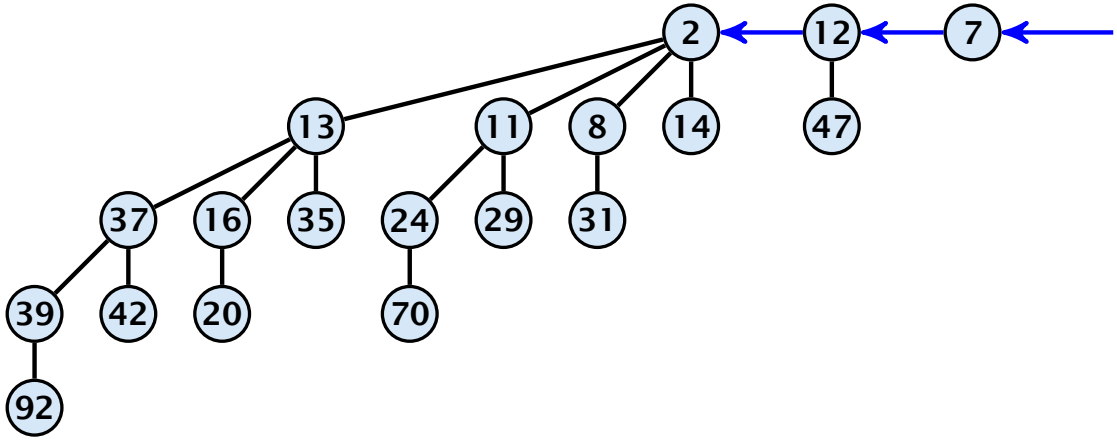

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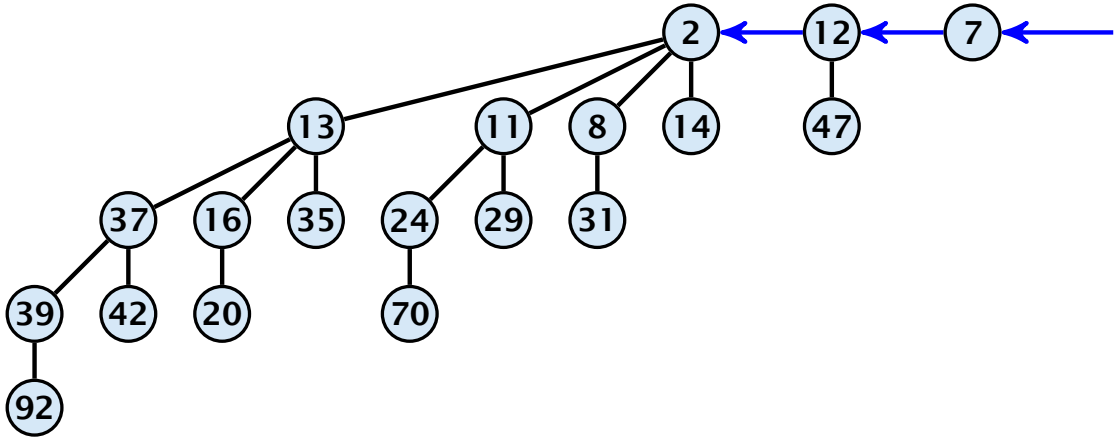

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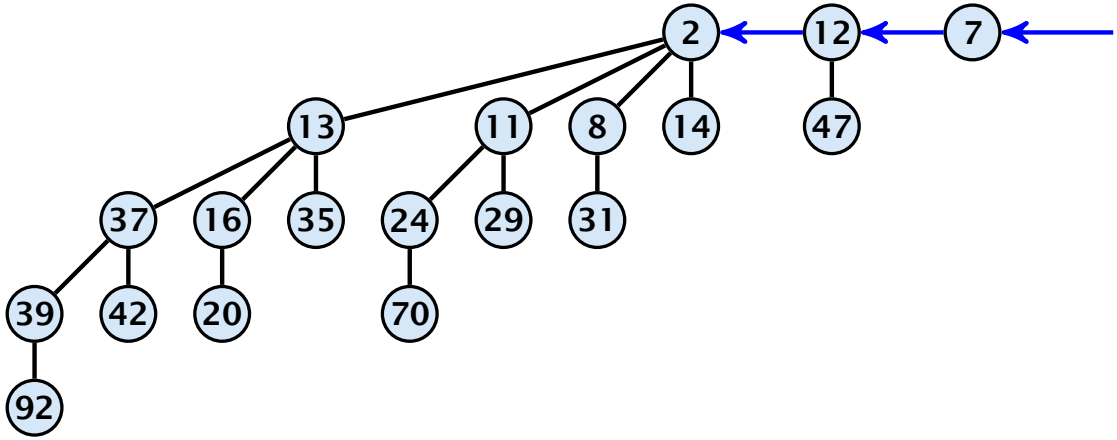

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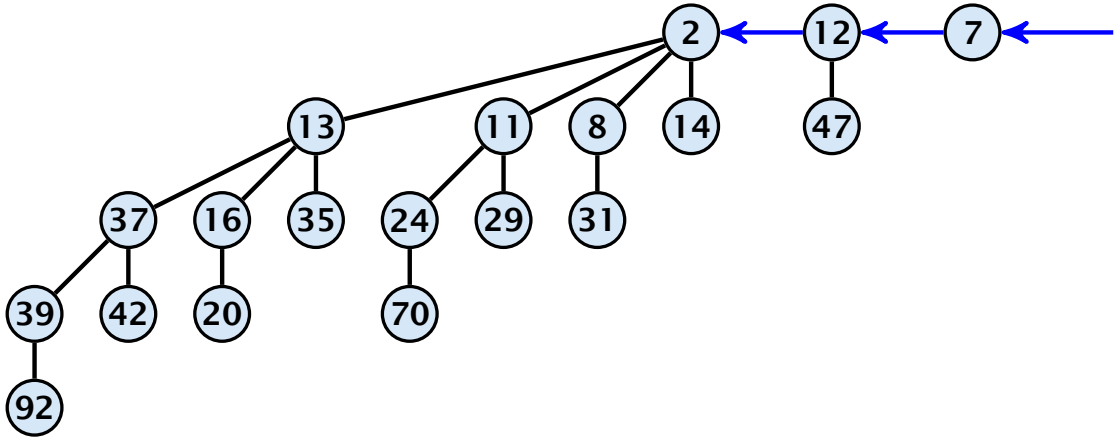

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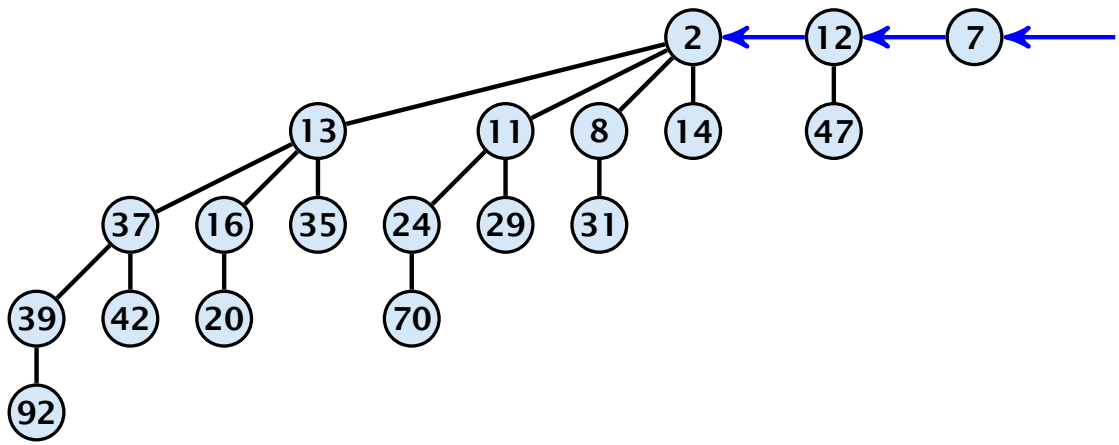

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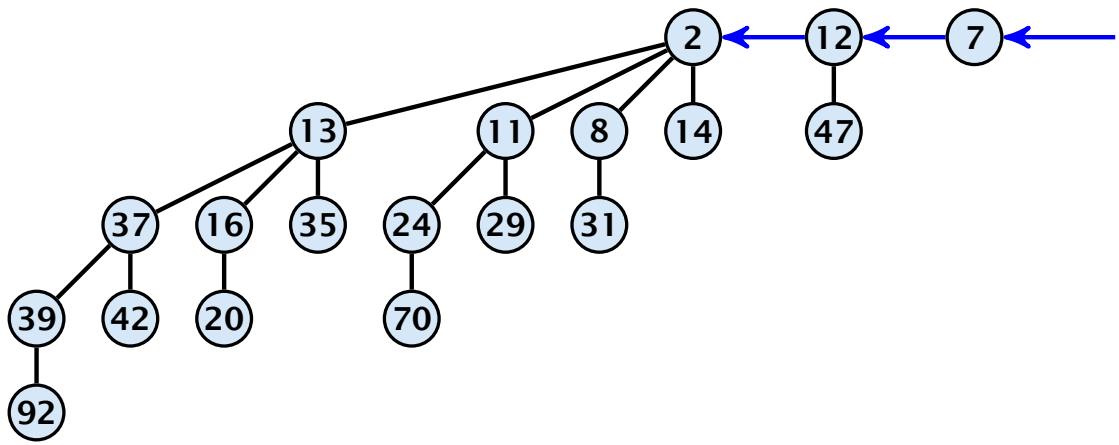

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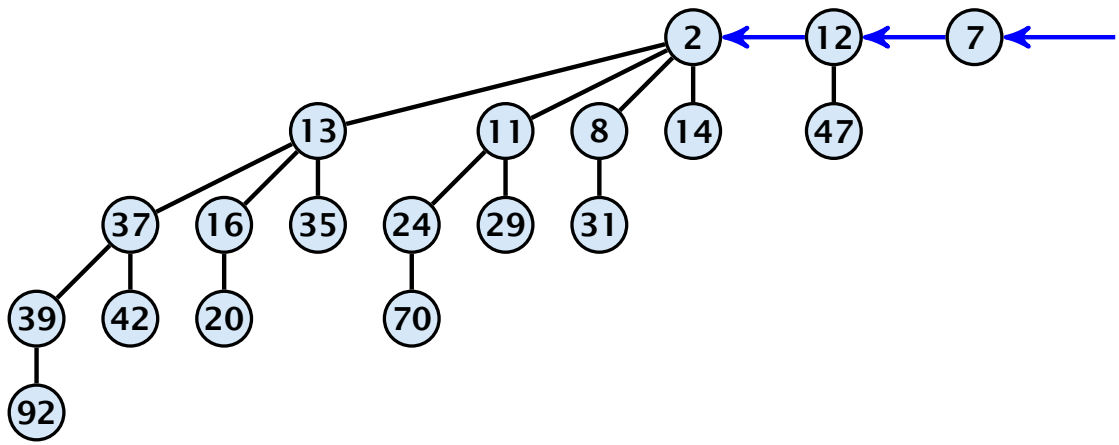

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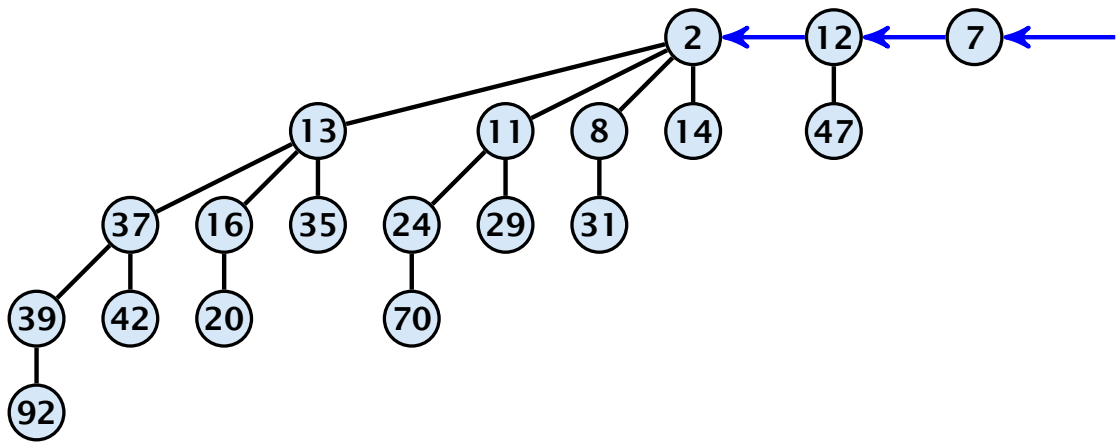

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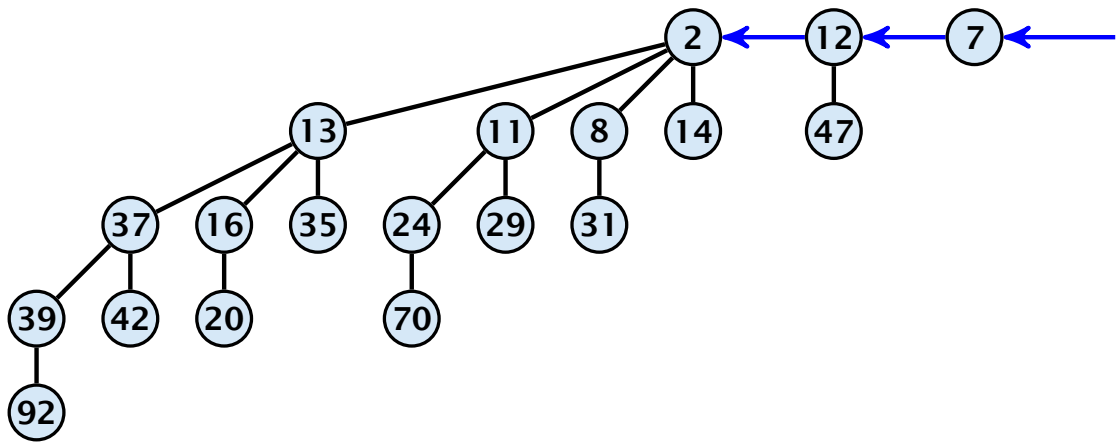

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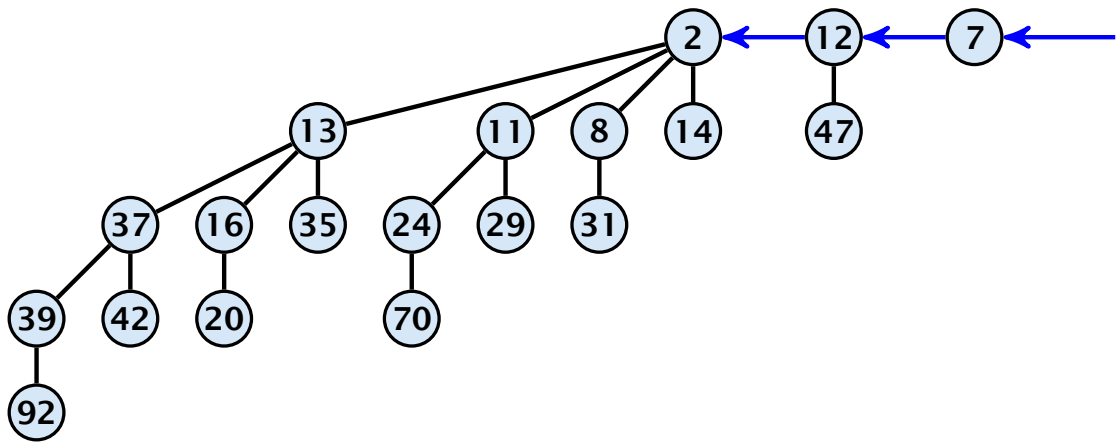

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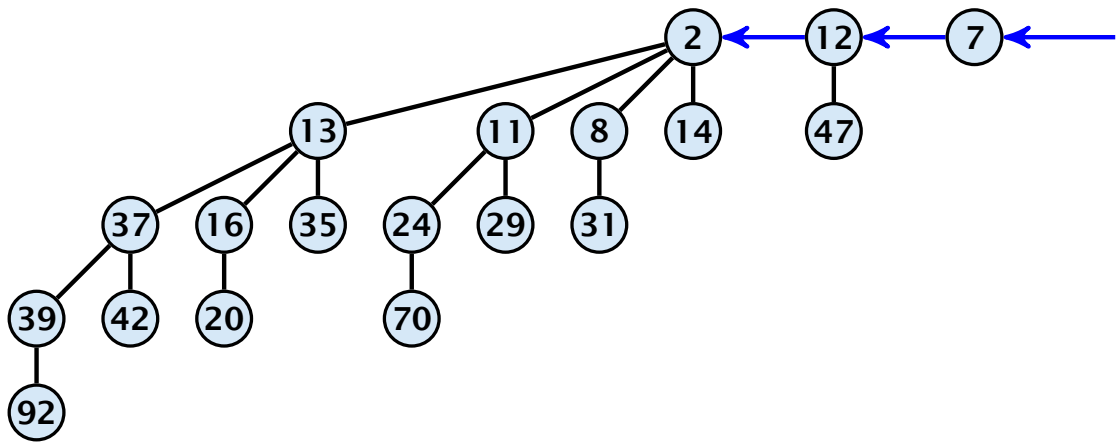

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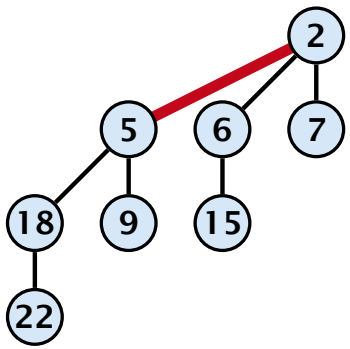

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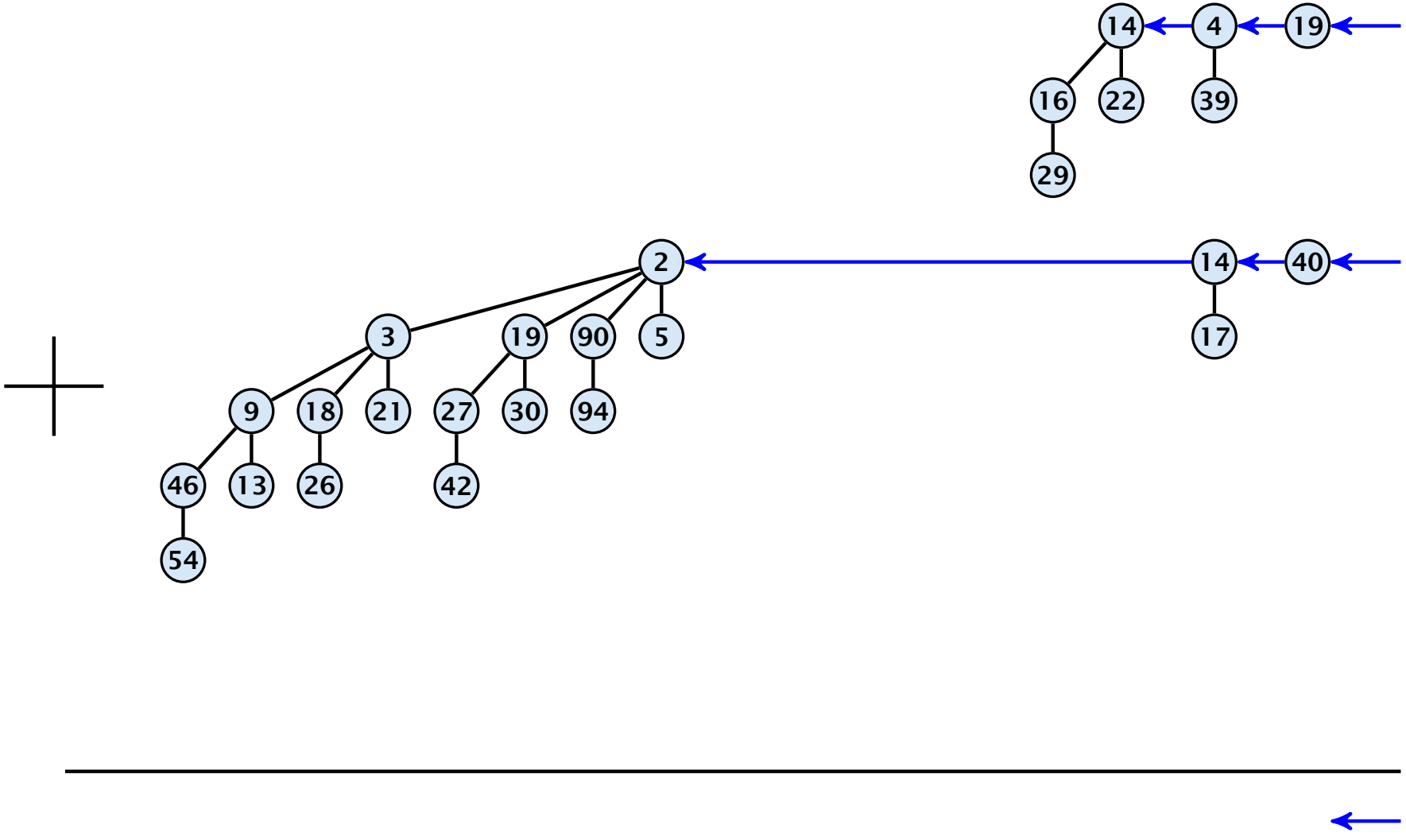
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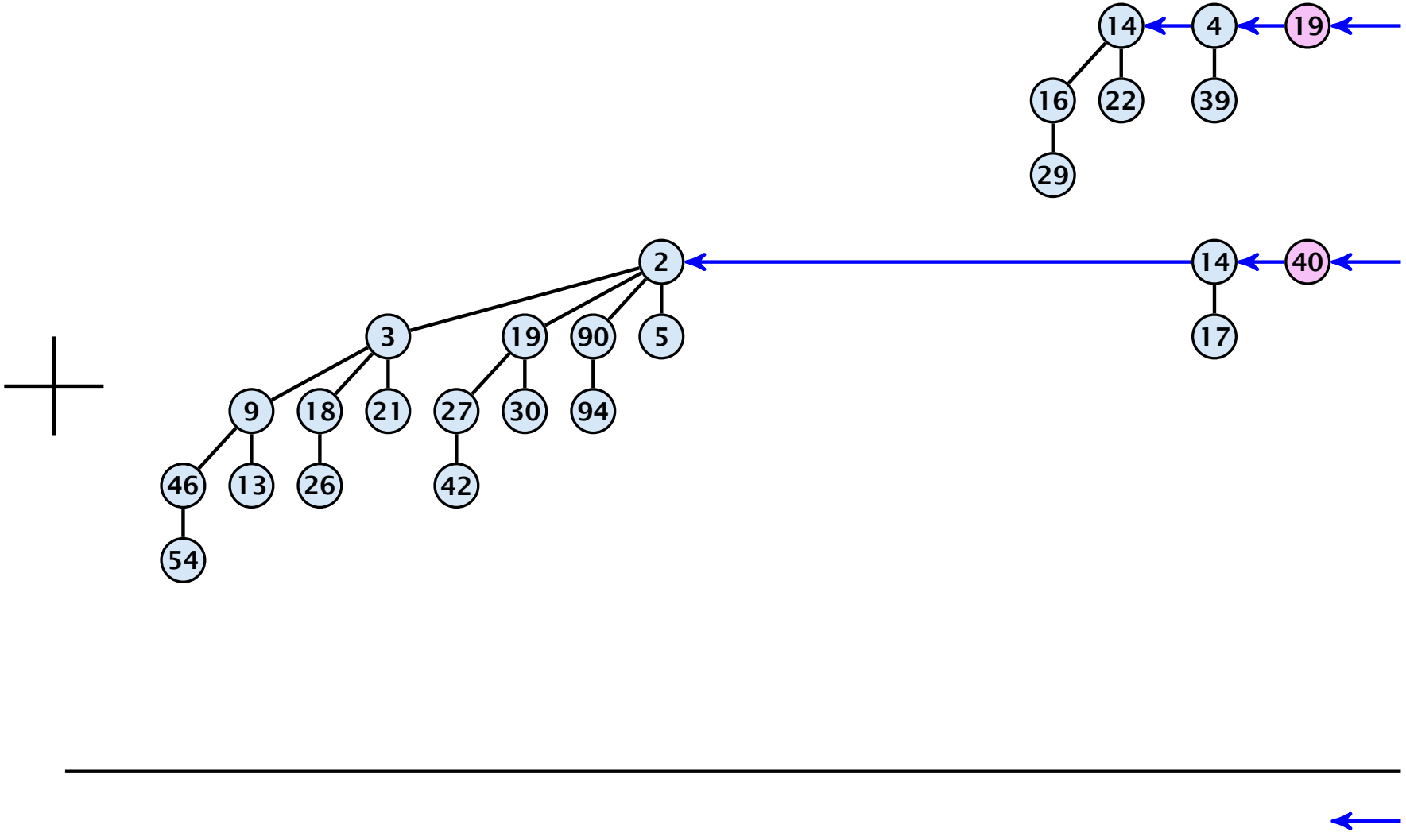
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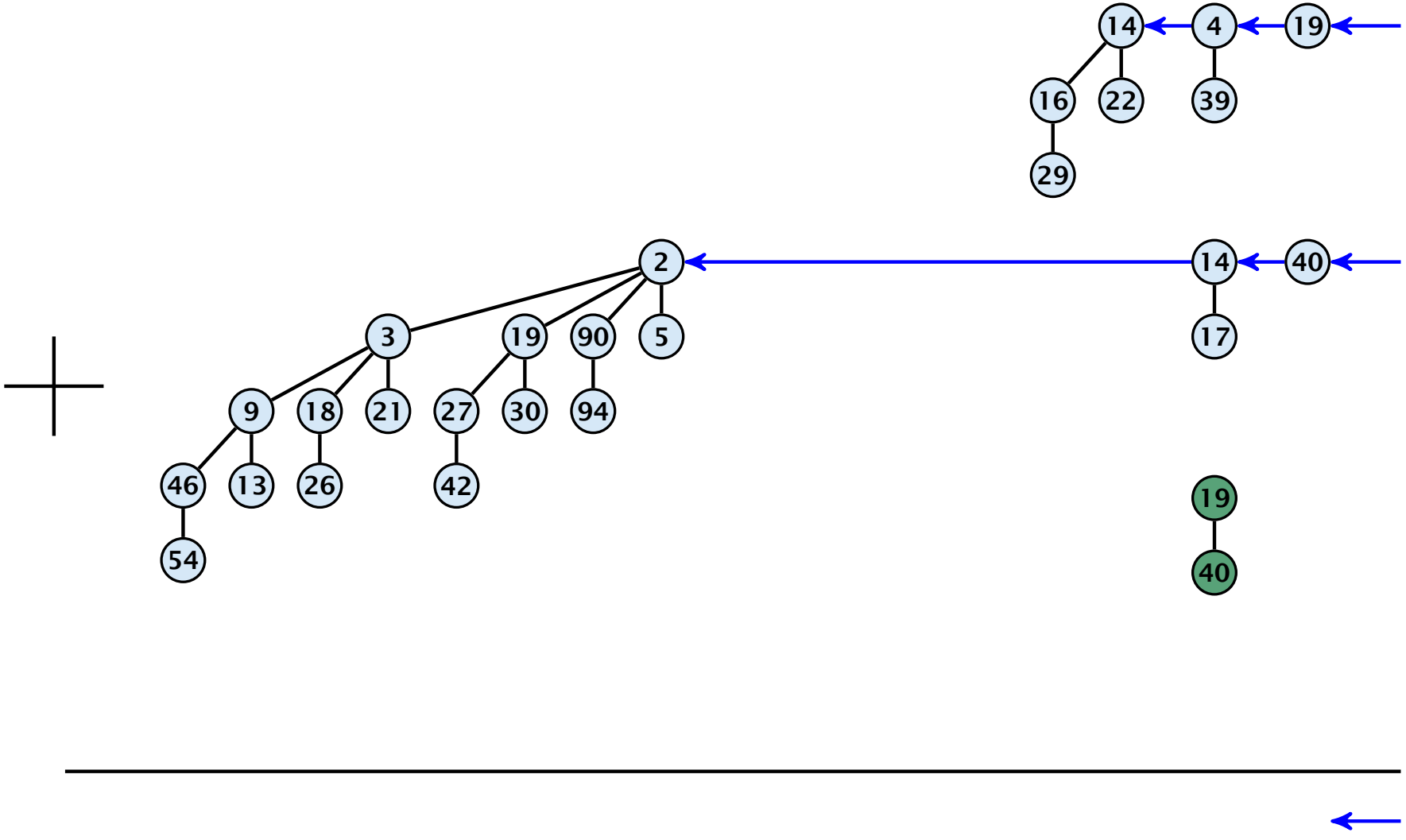
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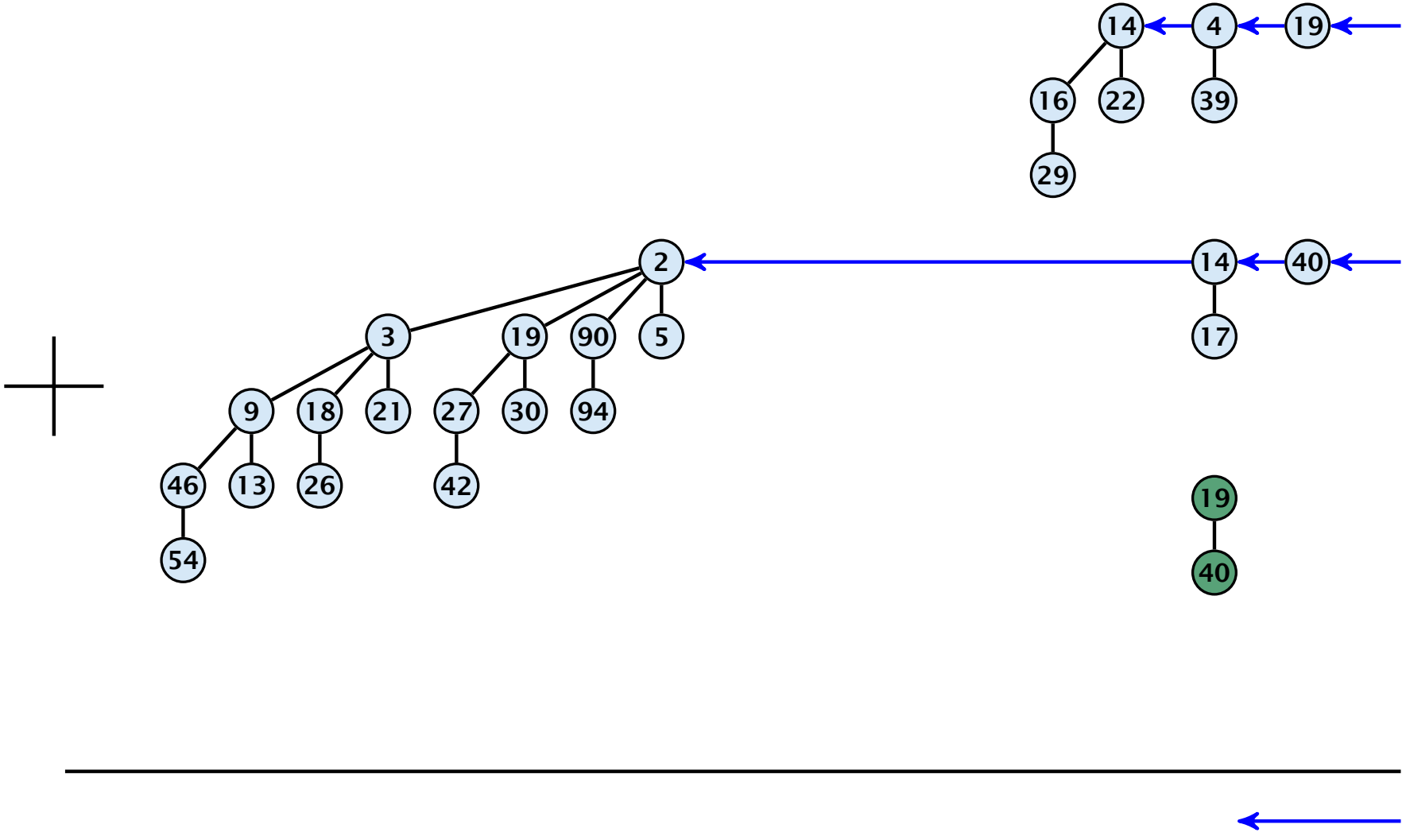
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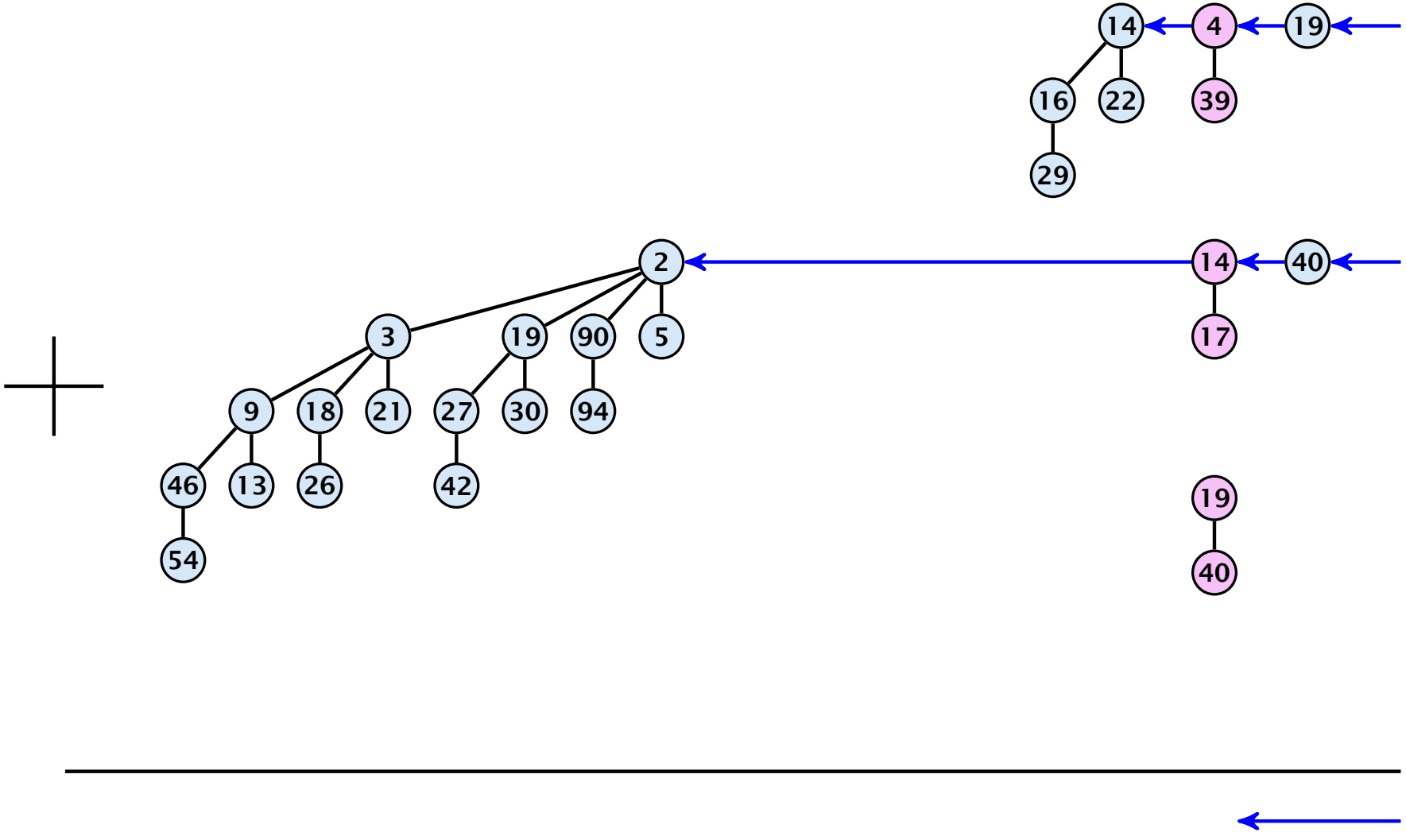
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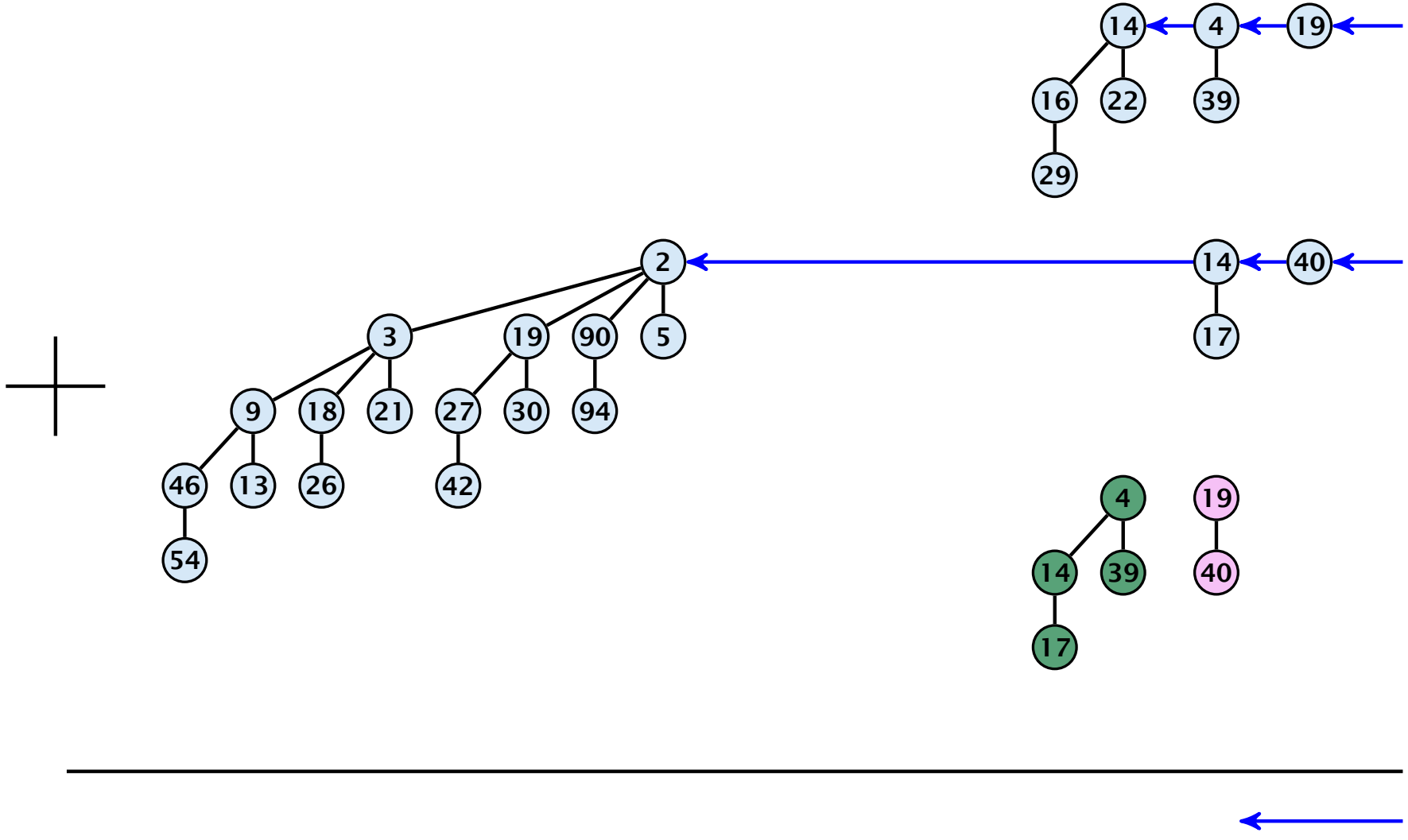
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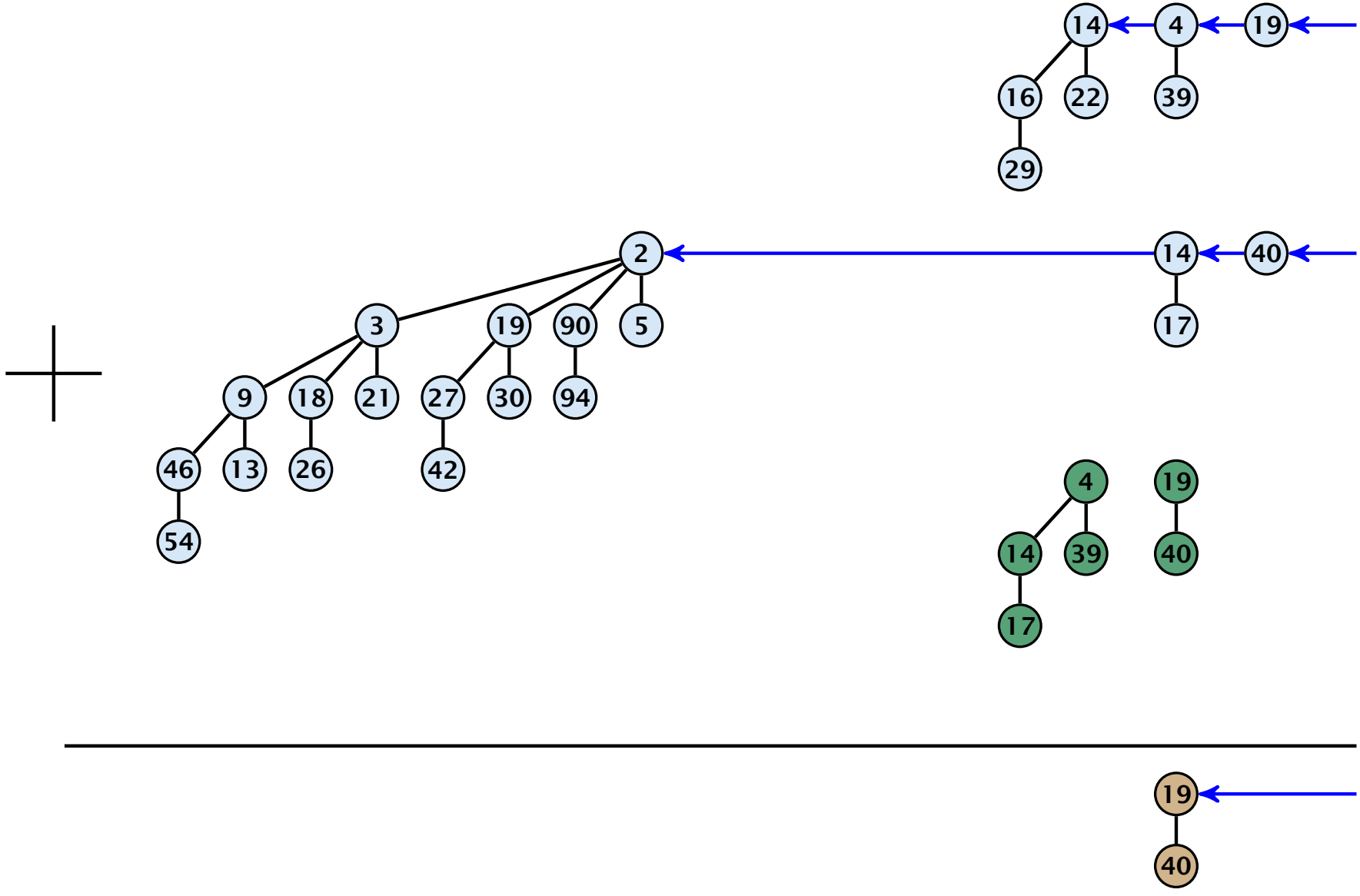
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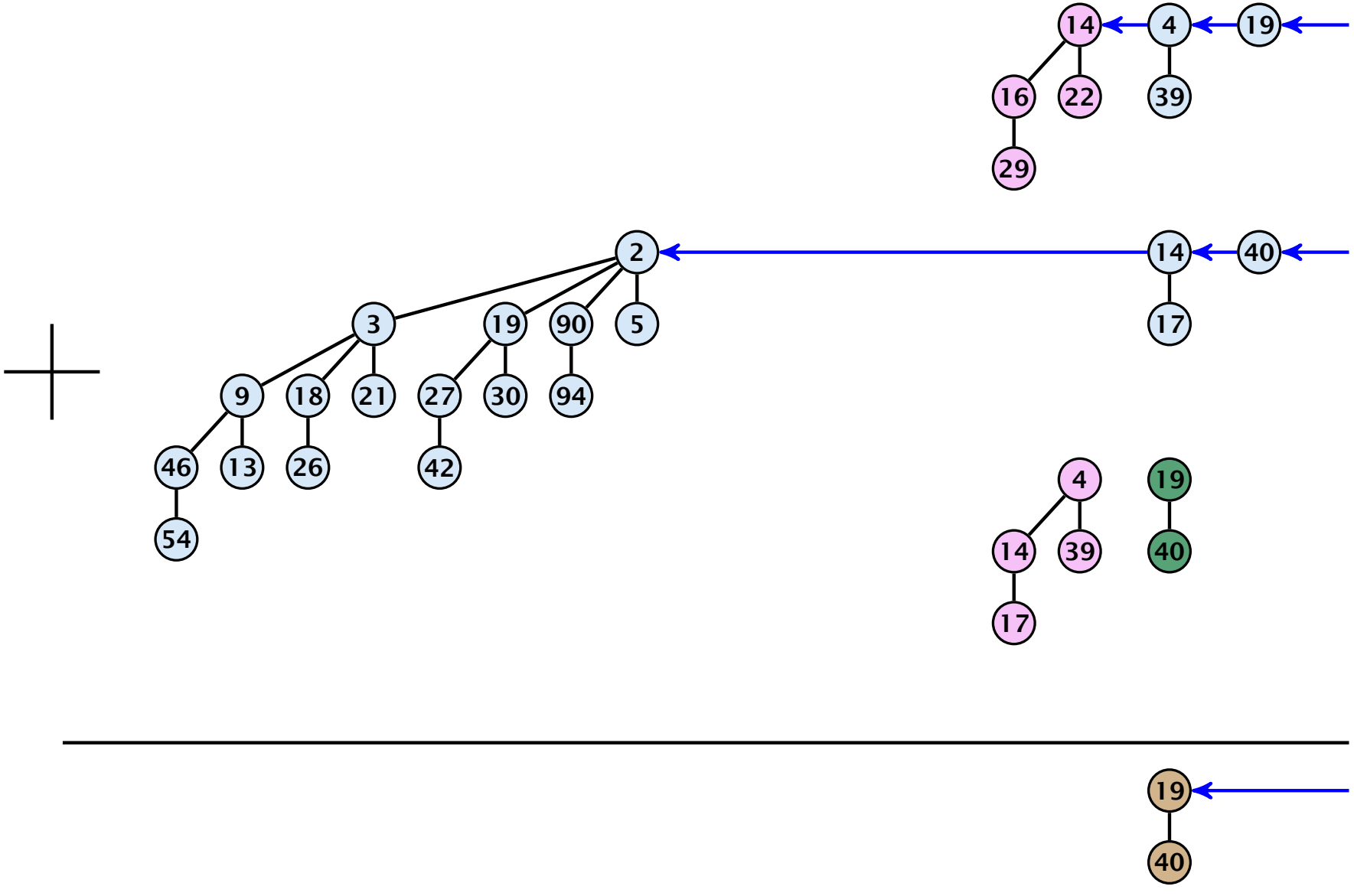
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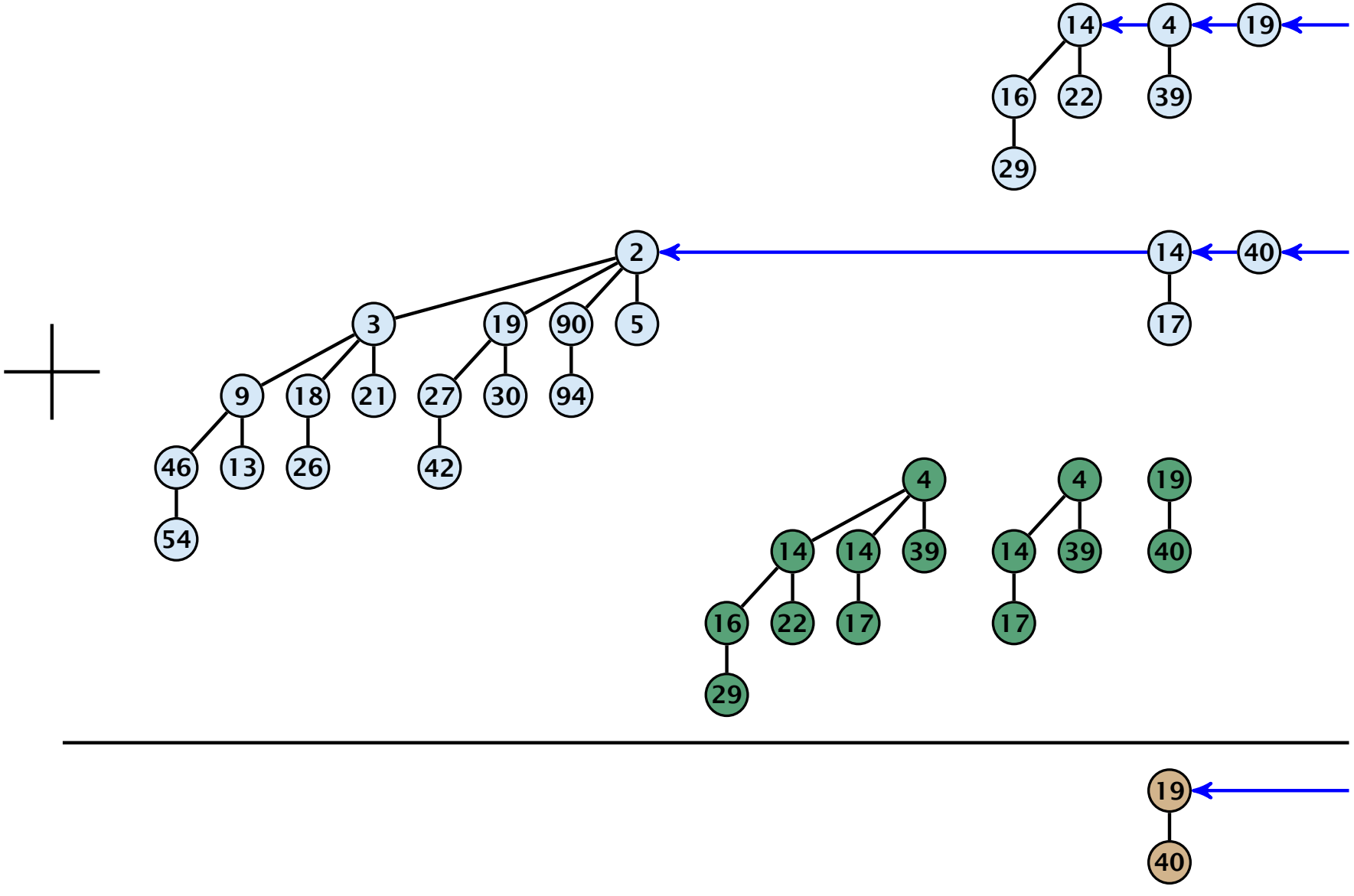
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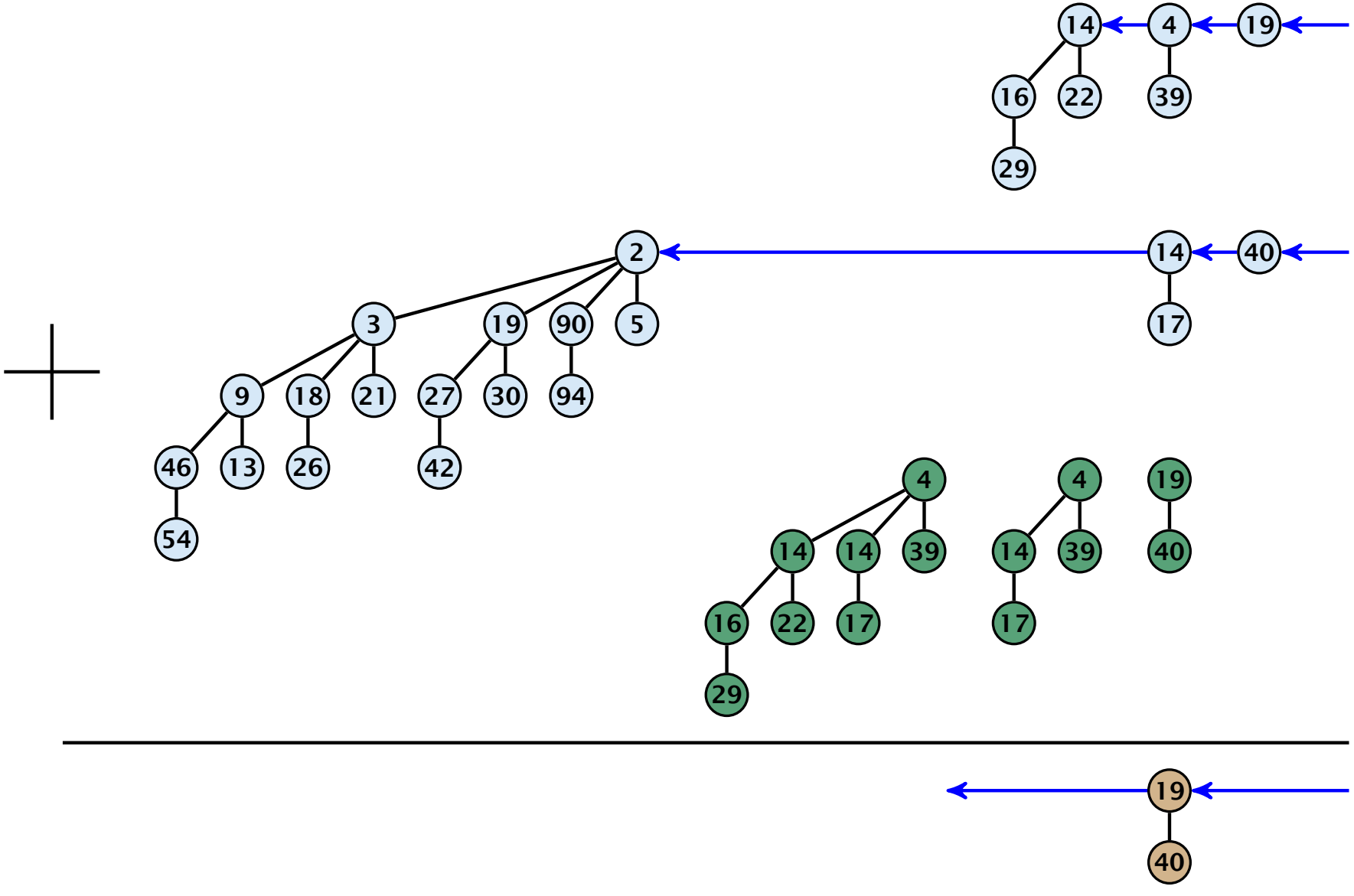
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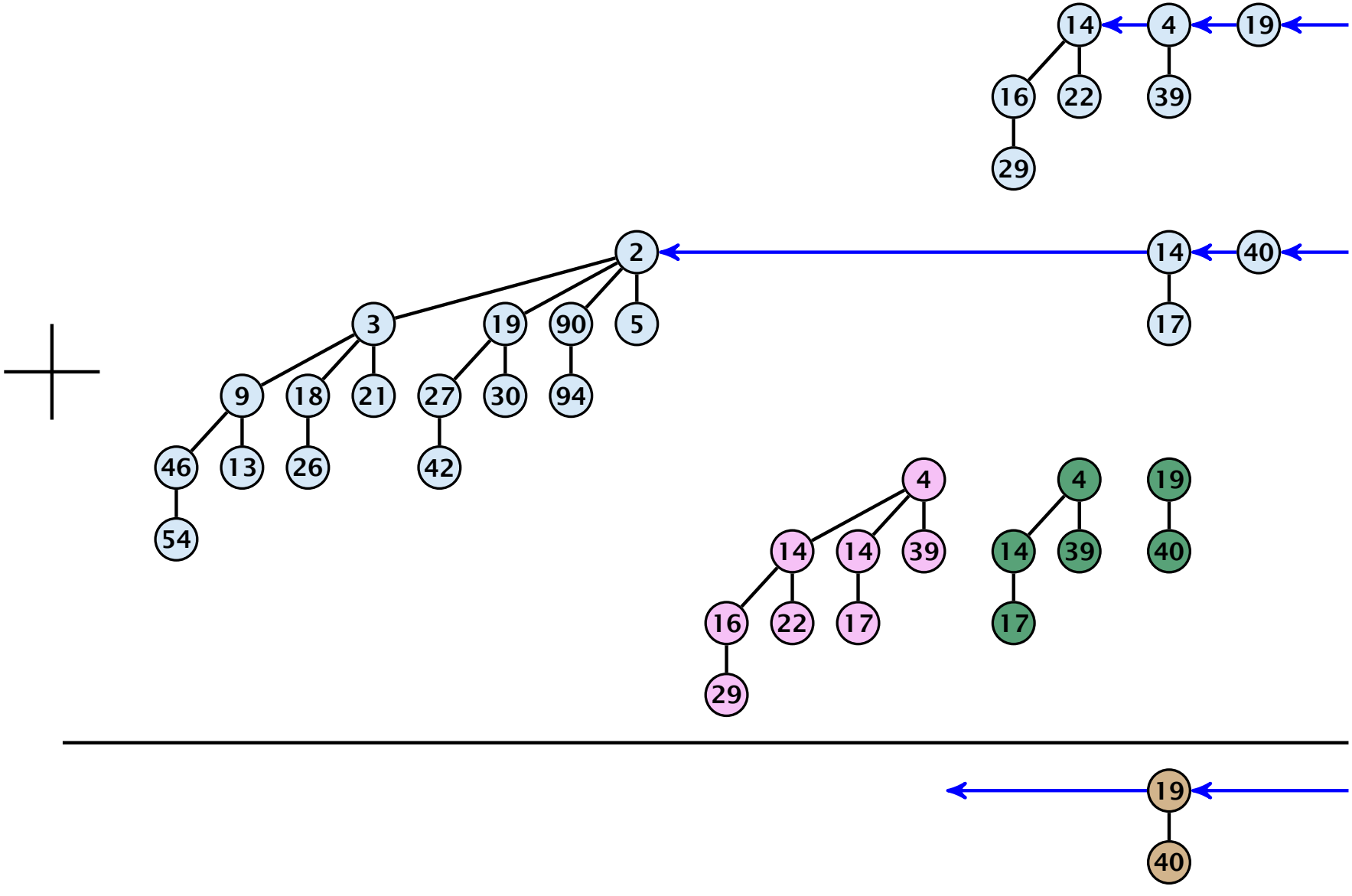
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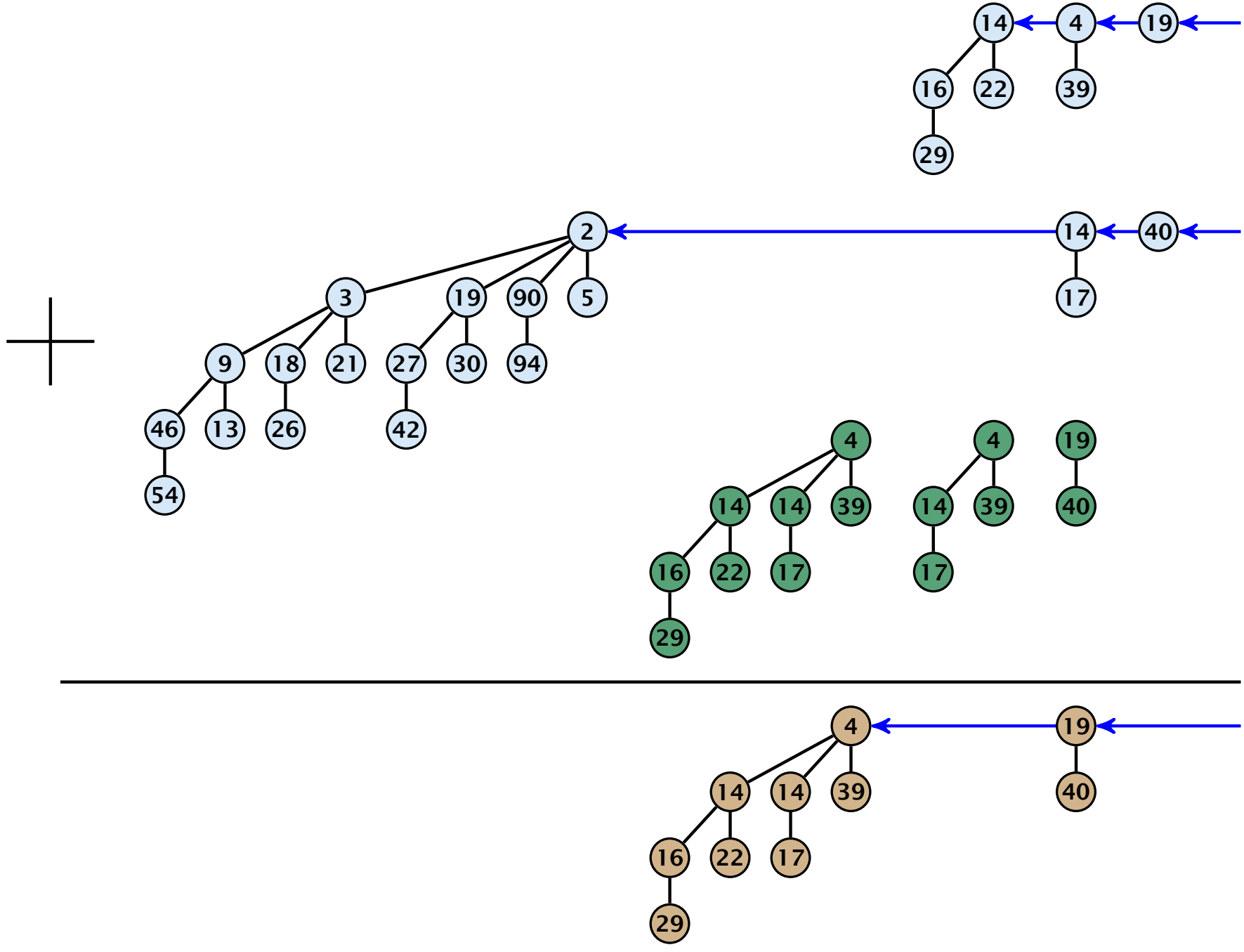
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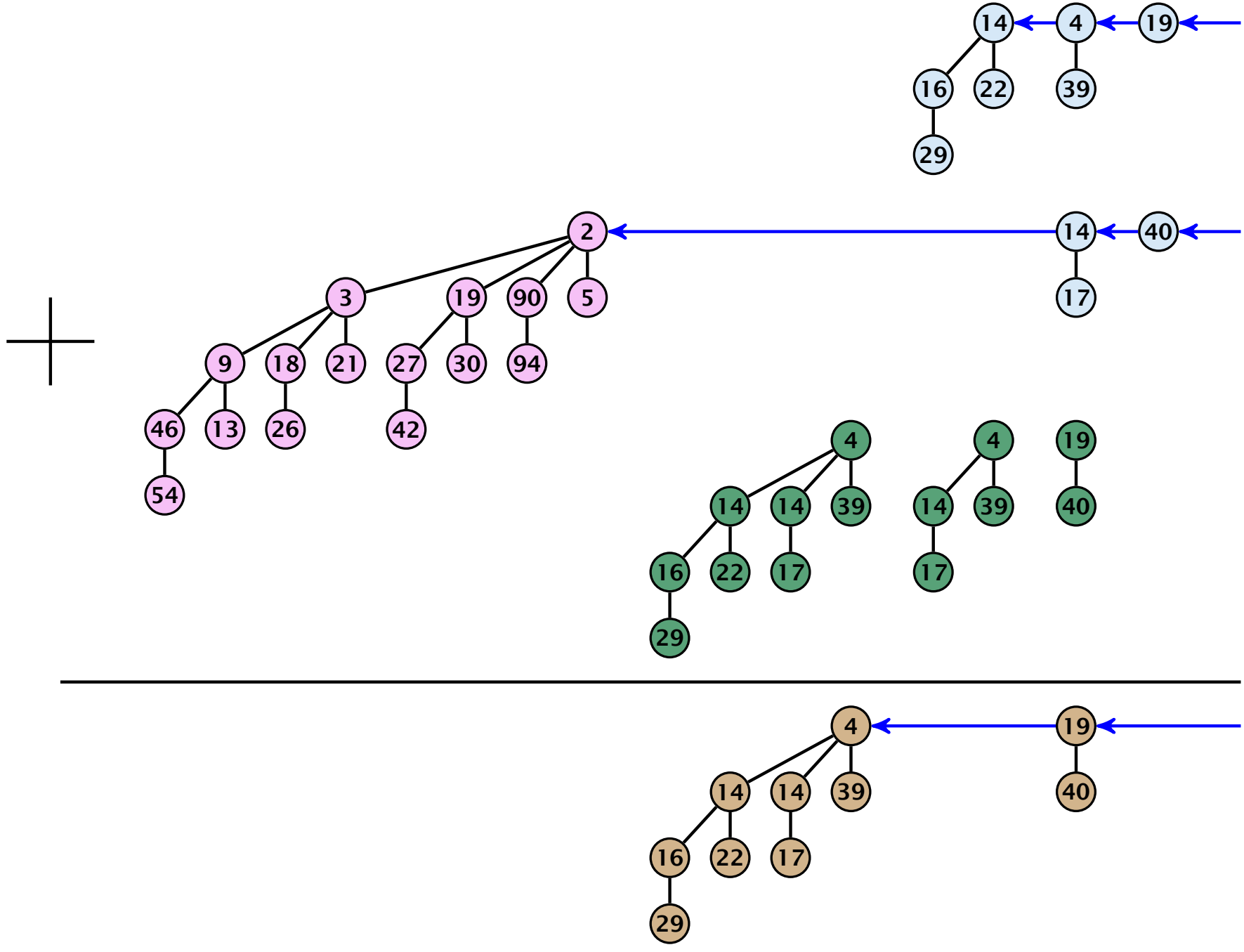
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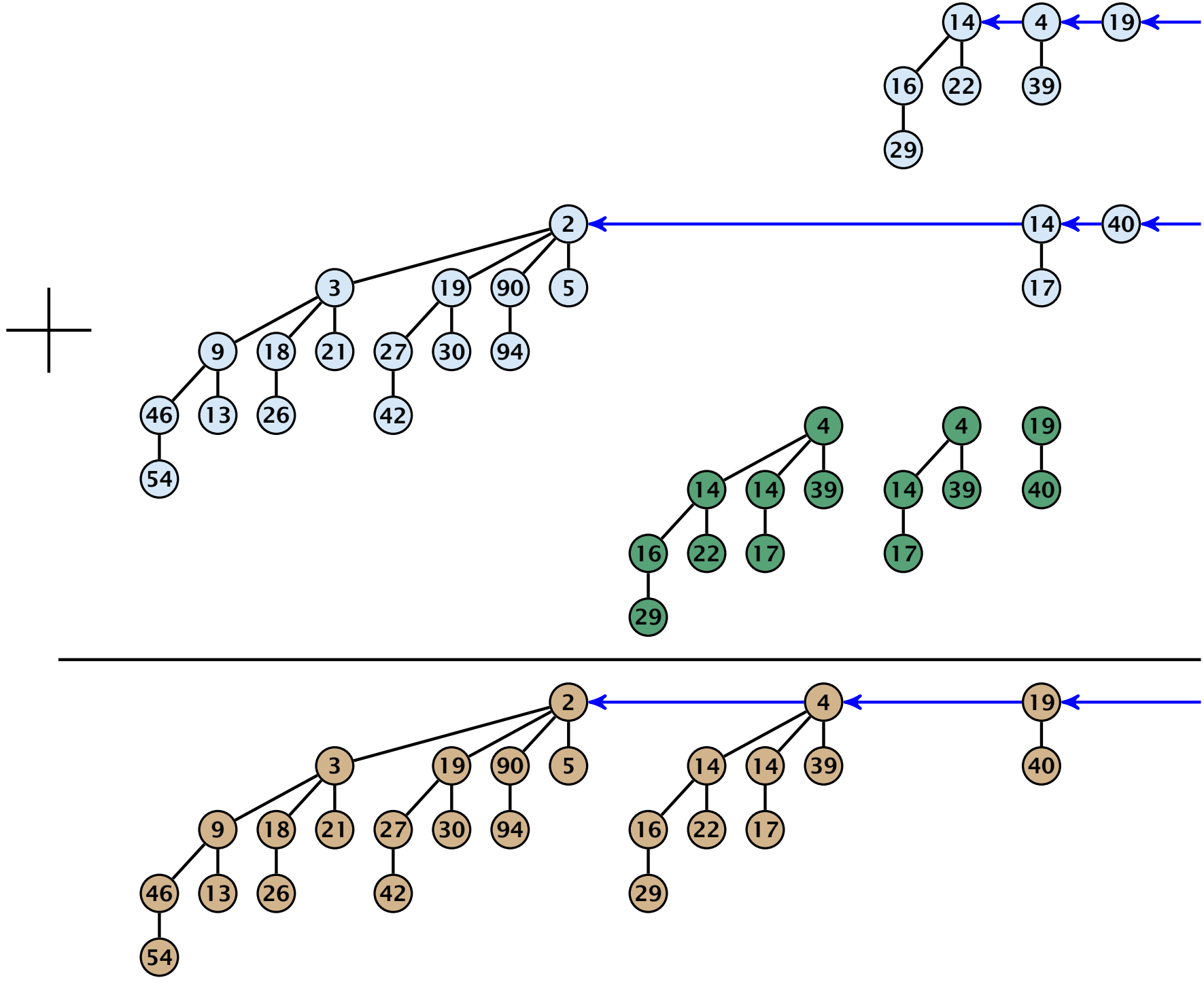
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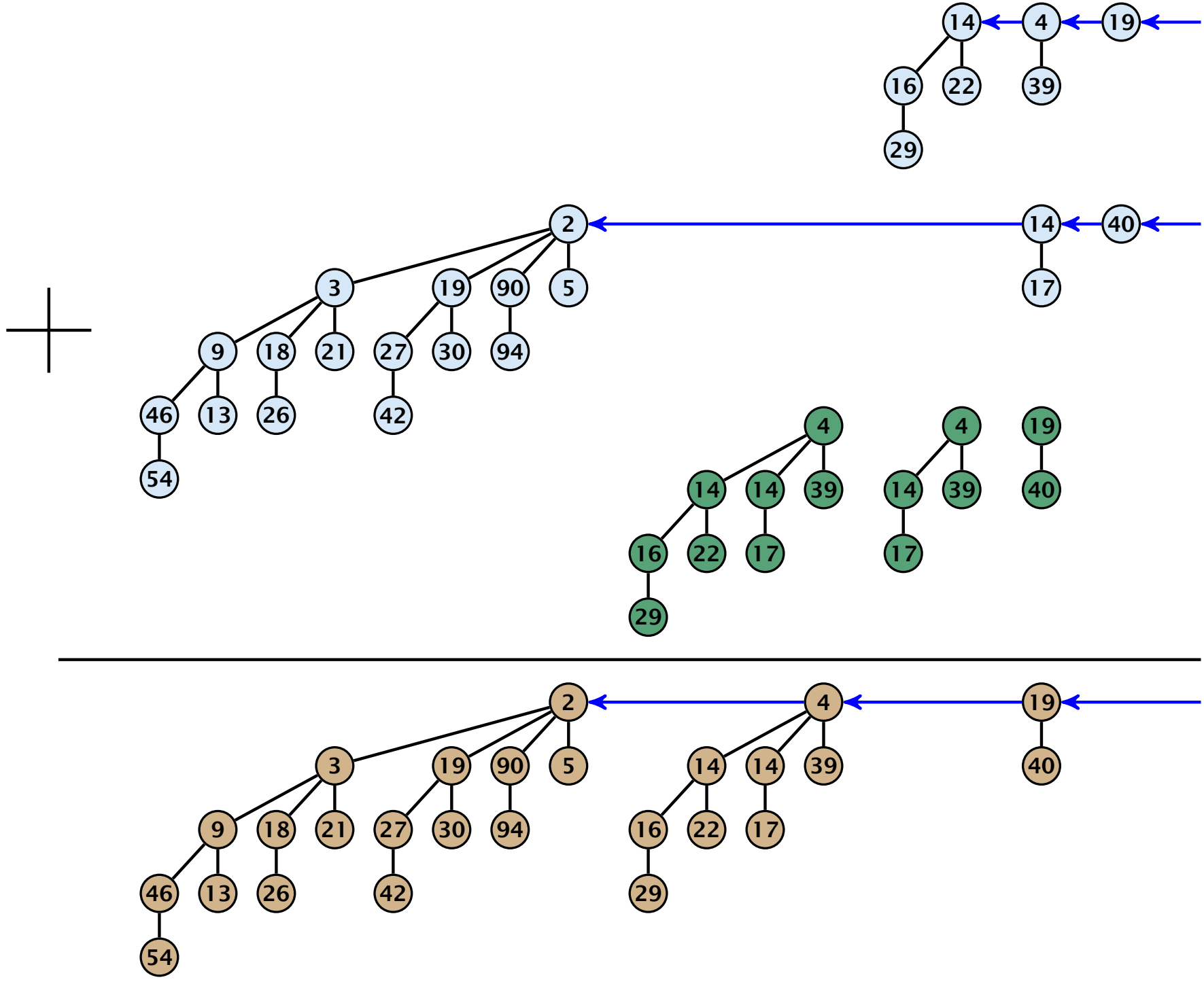
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