

# Introduction to Artificial Intelligence

## English practicals 10: Games and multi-agent systems

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- Game theory: simultaneous moves and other sources of partial observability

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$\Rightarrow$ : let  $s^*$  be DSE. Take any player  $i$ . Since  $s_i^*$  is a dominant strategy for  $i$ , for any given  $s_i \forall s_{-i} \in S_{-i} : u_i(s_i^*, s_{-i}) \geq u_i(s_i, s_{-i})$ , particularly  $u_i(s_i^*, s_{-i}^*) \geq u_i(s_i, s_{-i}^*)$ . Since  $i$  and  $s_i$  are arbitrary, this shows that  $s^*$  is a Nash equilibrium.

$\Leftarrow$ : Counterexample, e.g., Date night dilemma

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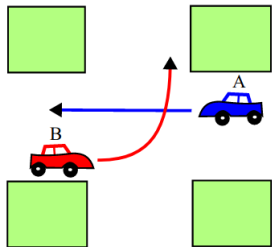
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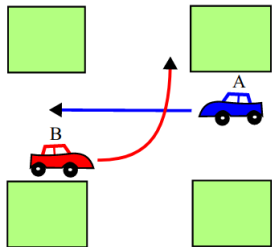
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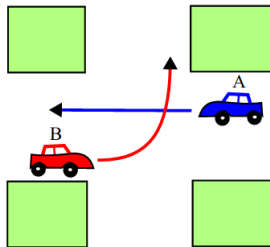
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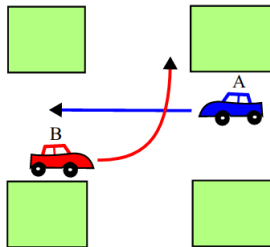


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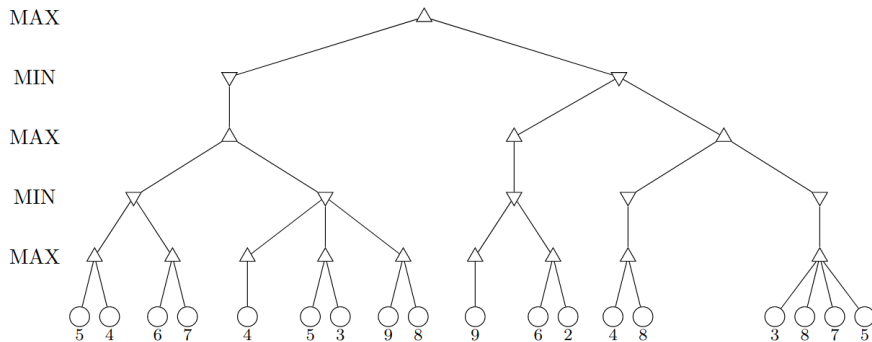
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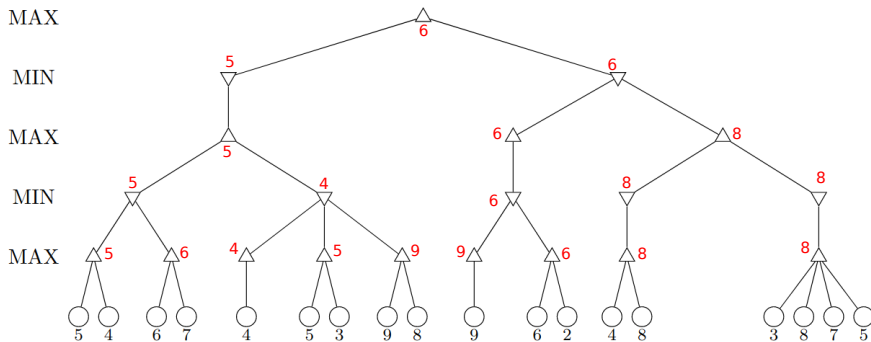
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Examples: overfishing/overhunting, traffic congestion (air pollution, slower traffic

Solution: paying tax for the resources (e.g., Vickrey-Clarks-Groves mechanism)

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In (1),  $i$  doesn't win anyway, in (3)  $i$  wins and pays  $\hat{b}$  anyway.

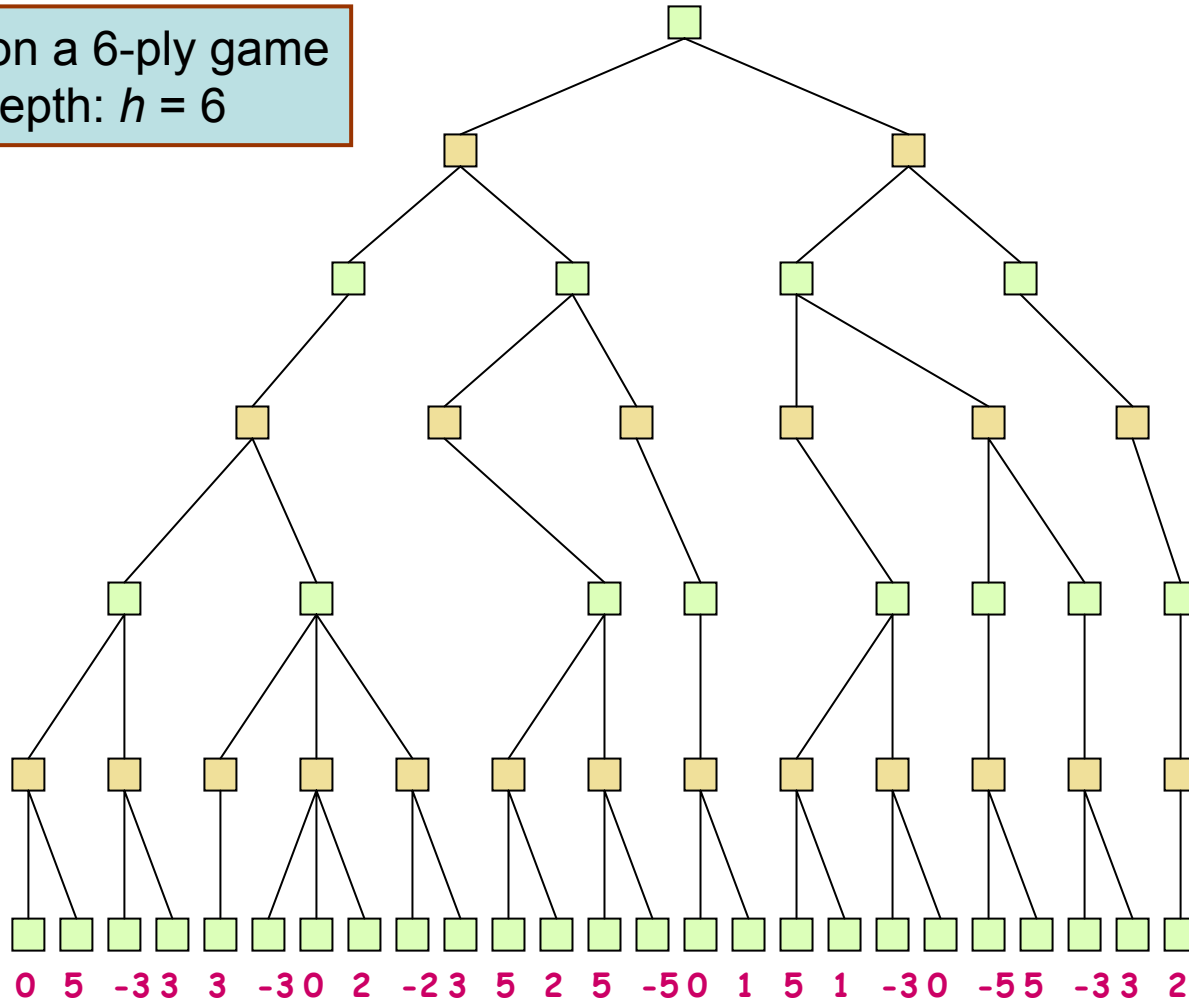
in (2),  $i$  wins and pays more than would like to, which would not happen if the bid was  $s_i$ .

Similarly for  $b_i < s_i$ .



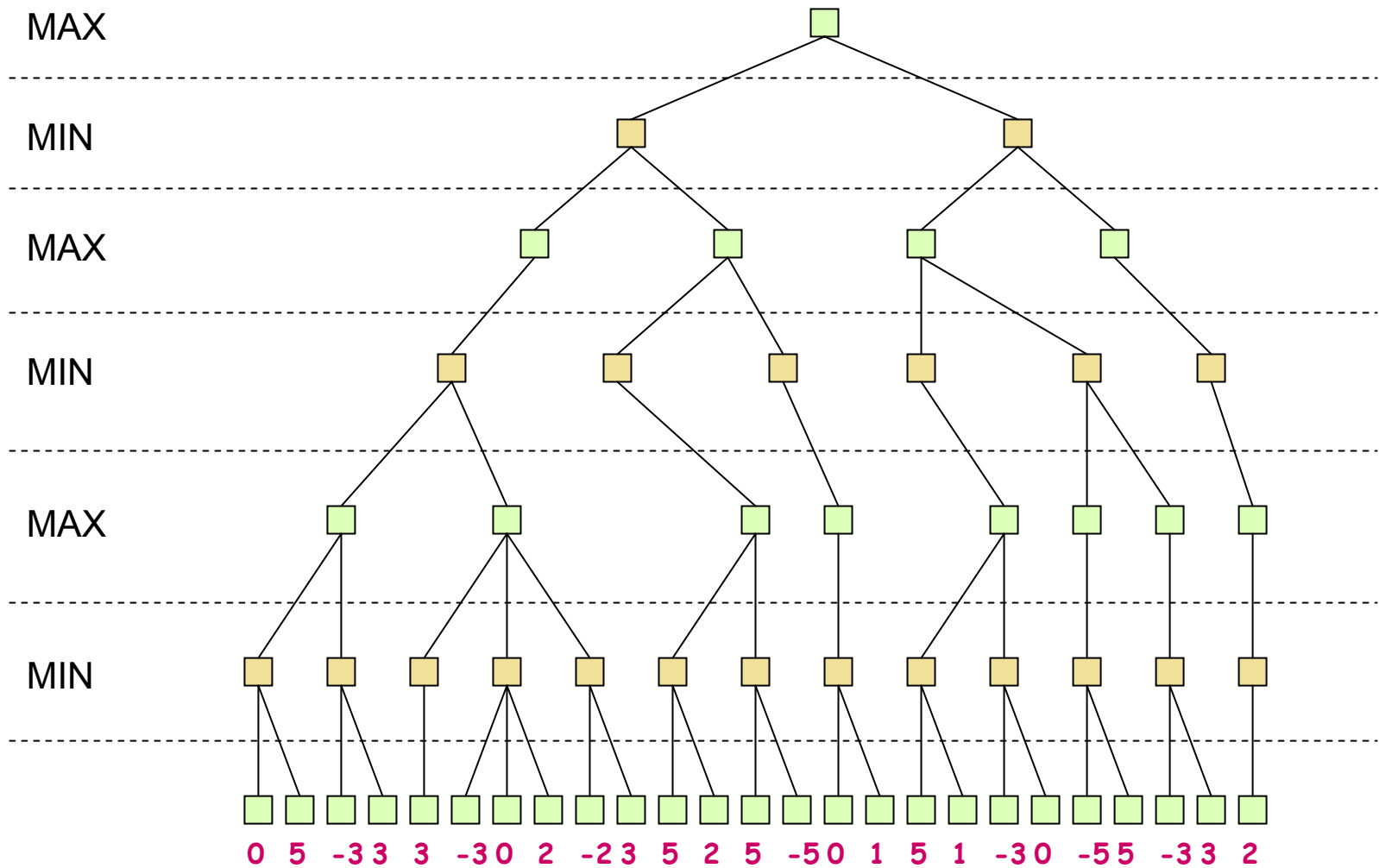
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Minimax on a 6-ply game  
Horizon depth:  $h = 6$

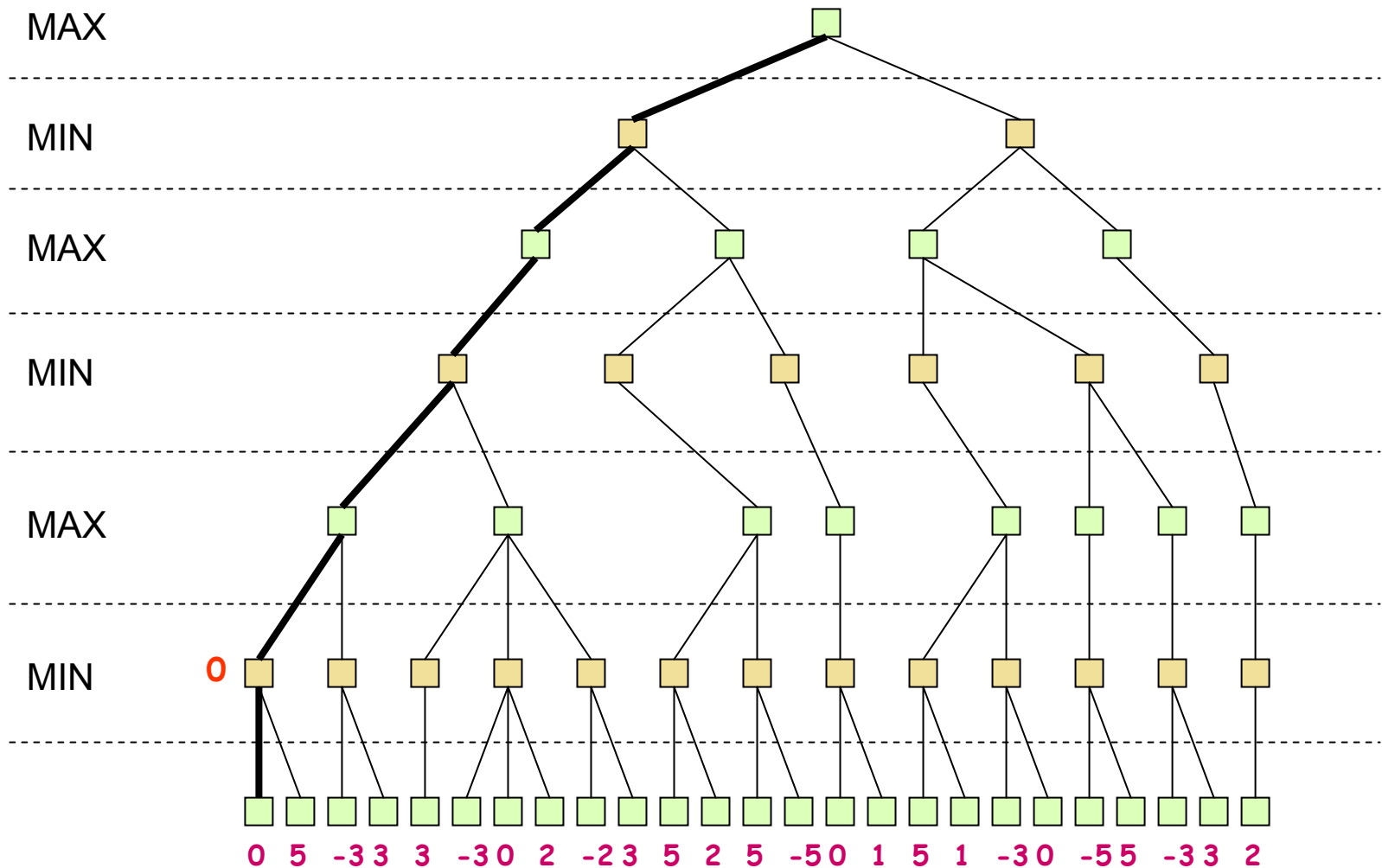


Heuristic  
Evaluation

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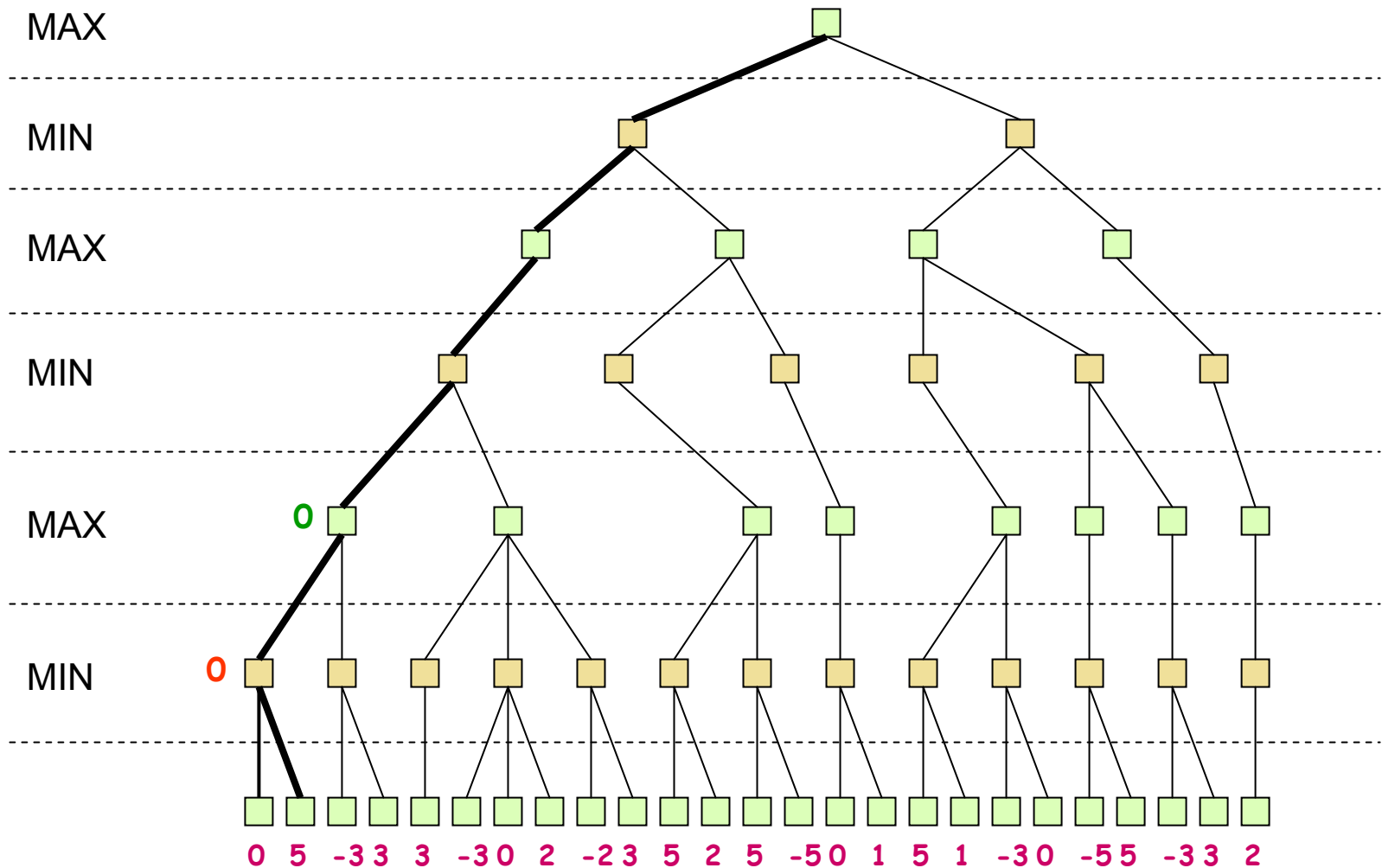


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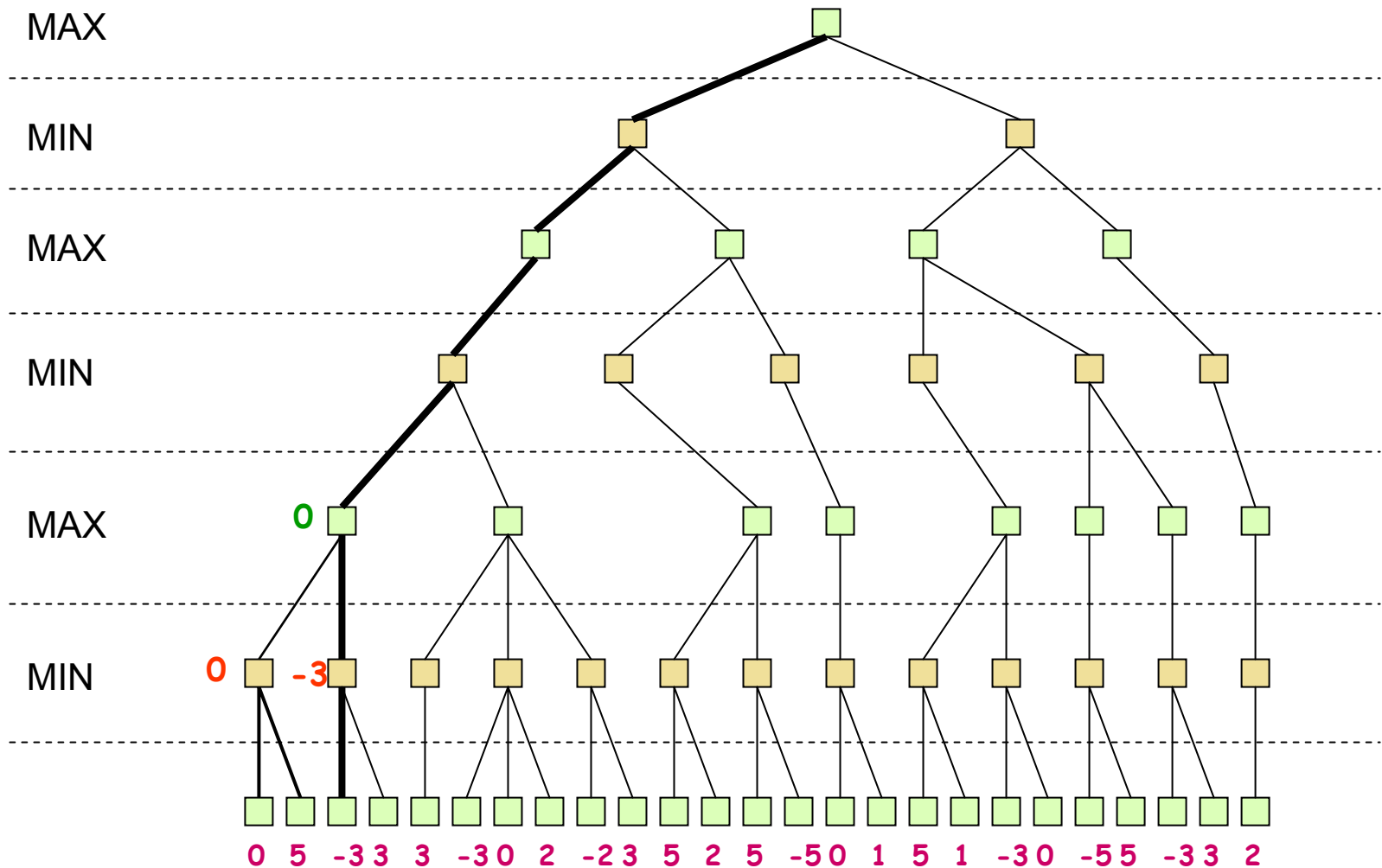




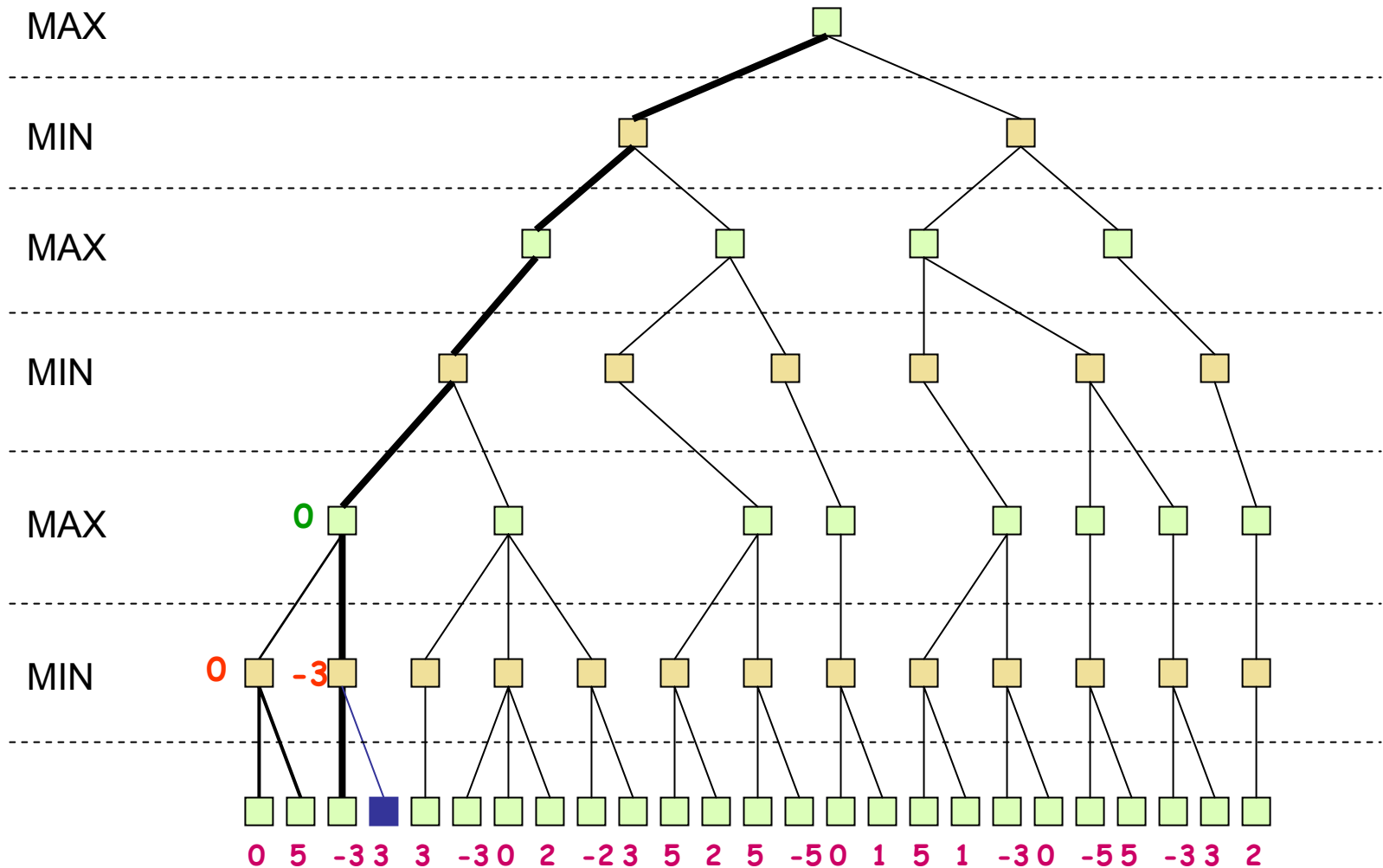
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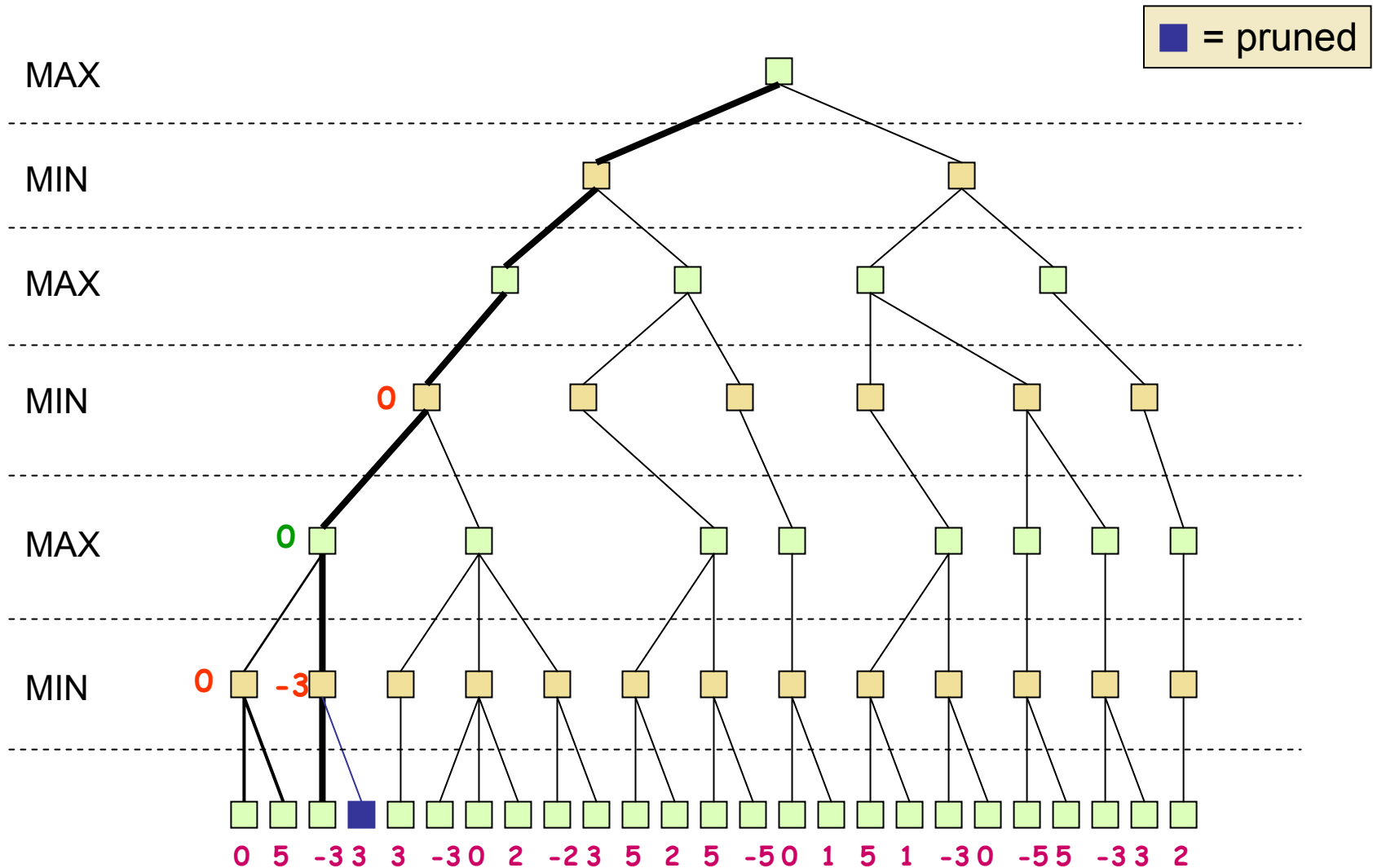
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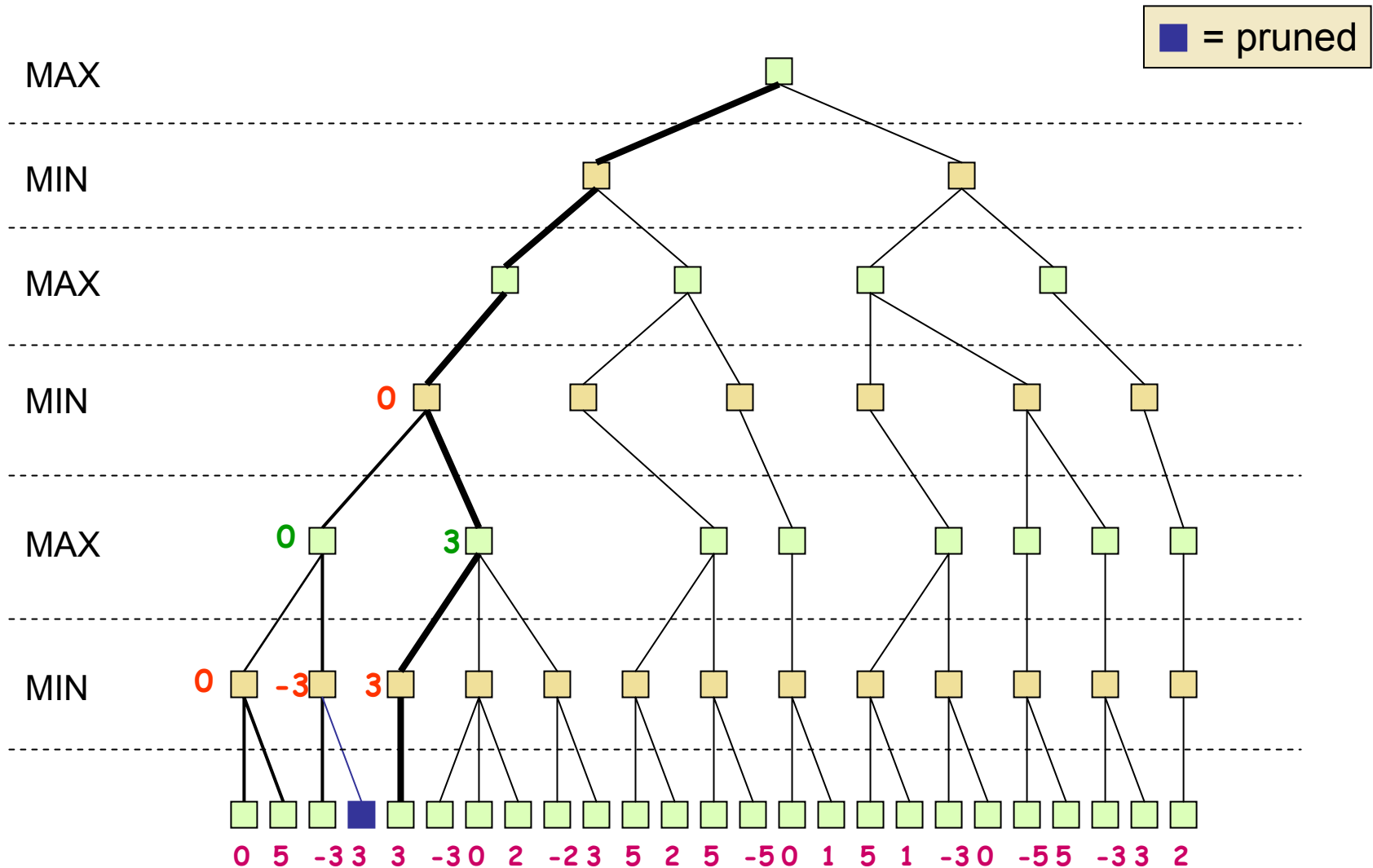
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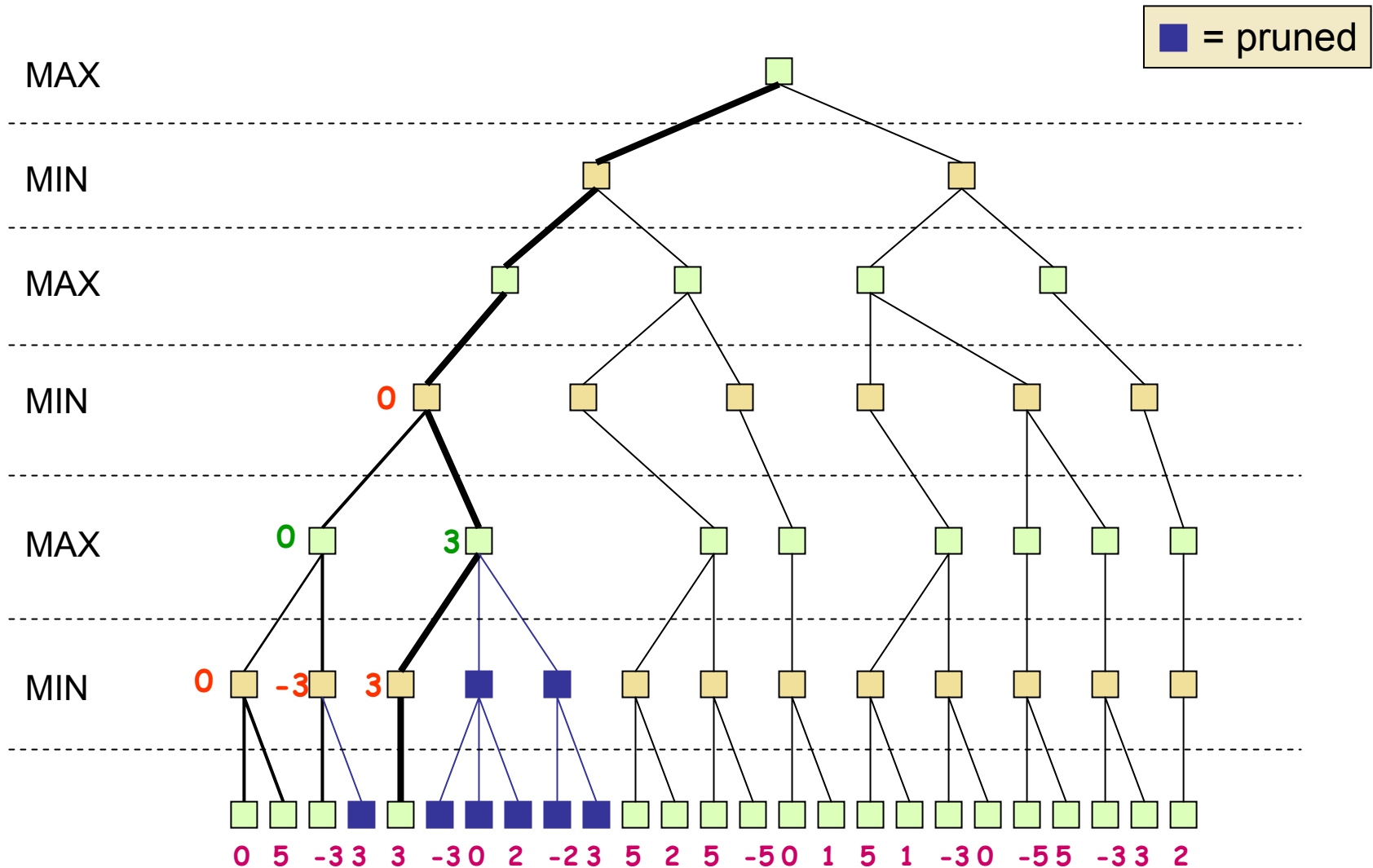
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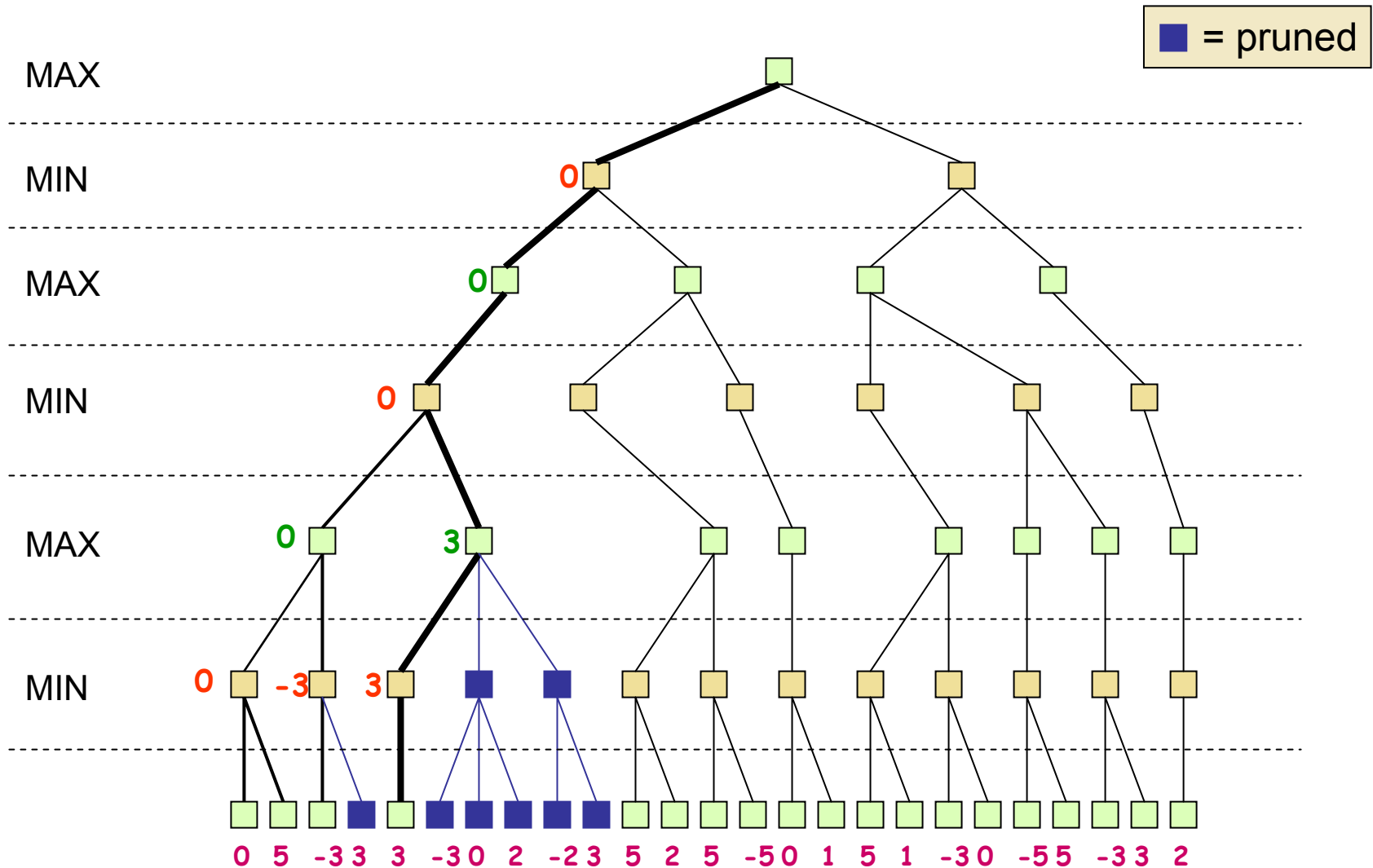
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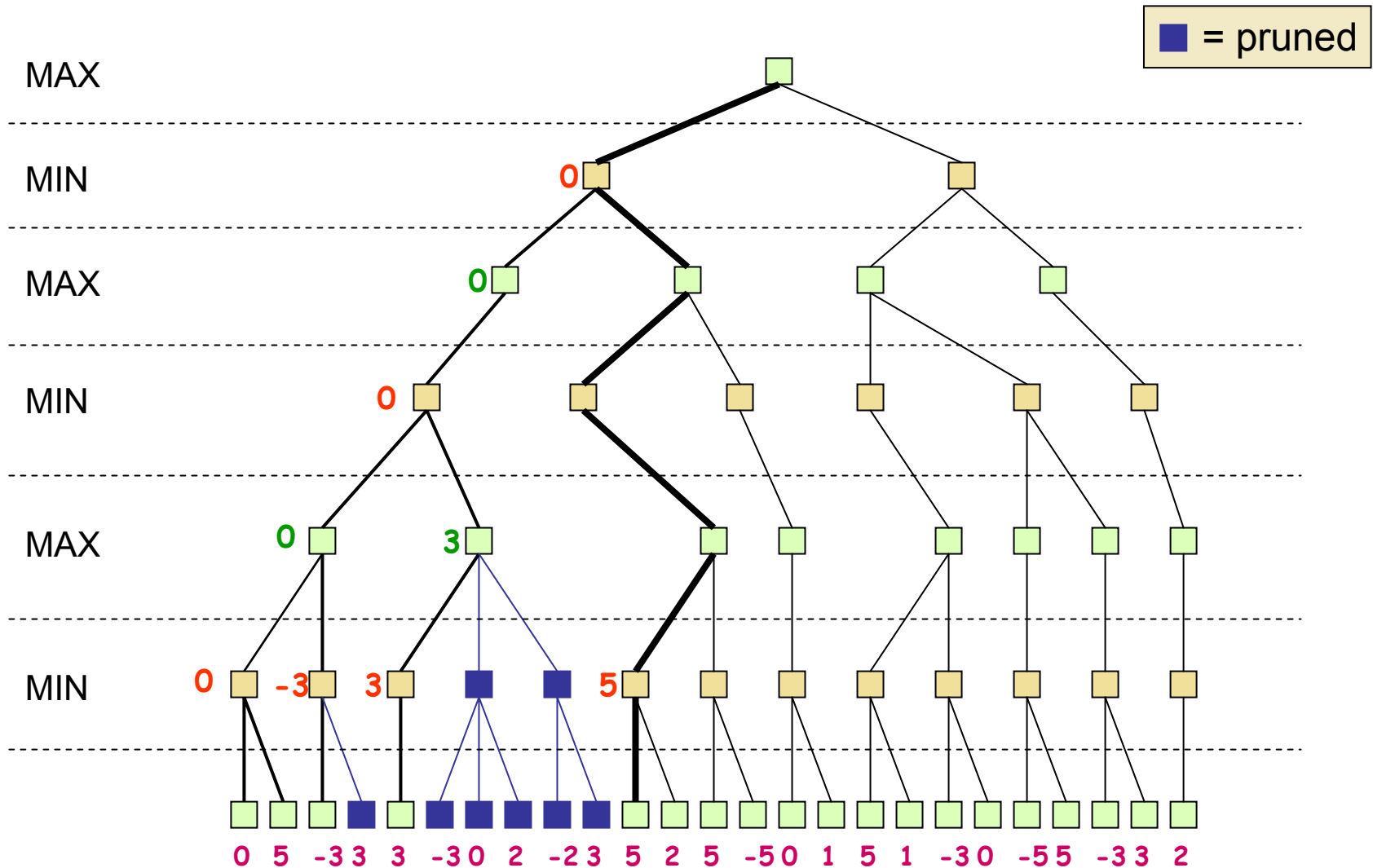
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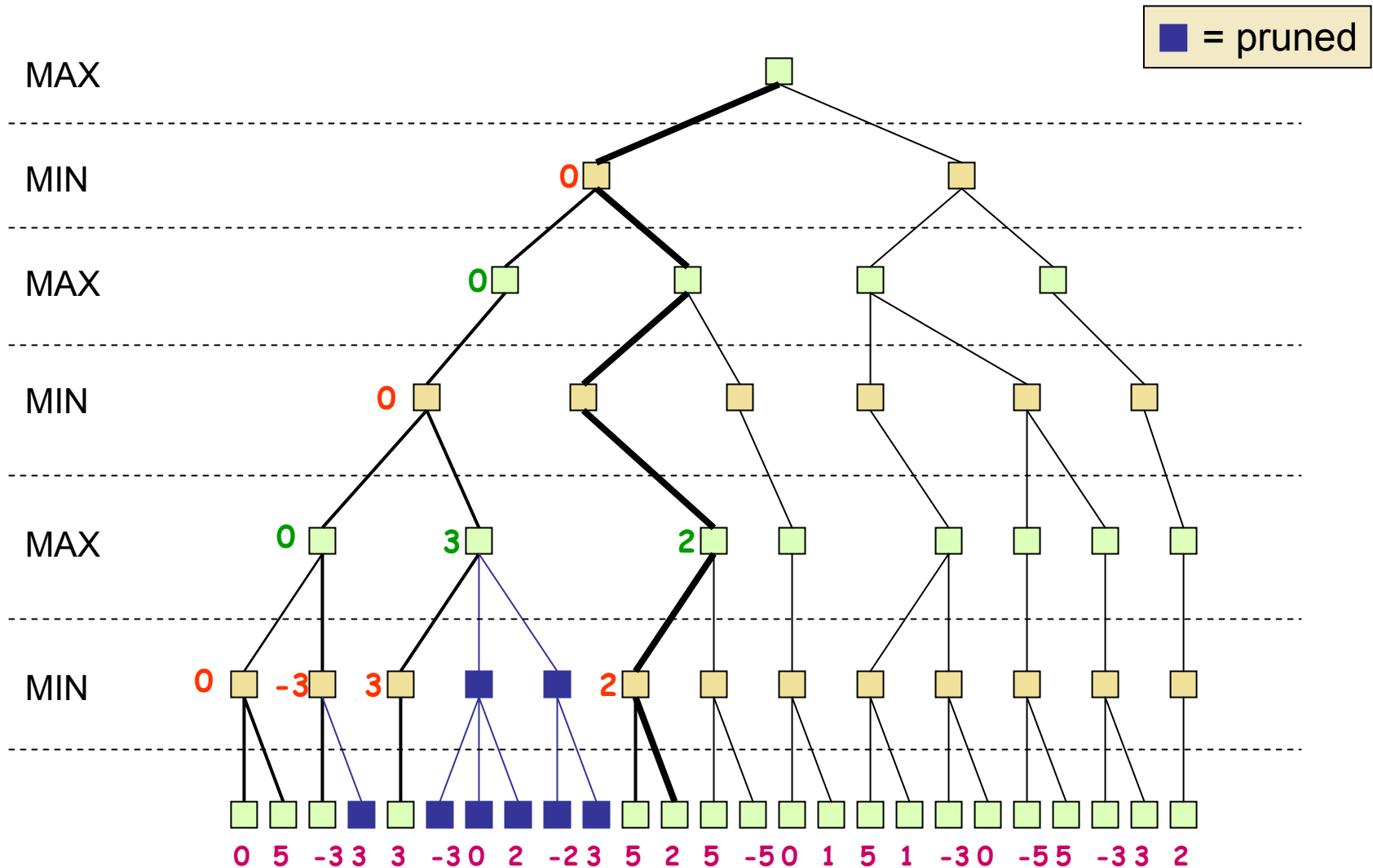


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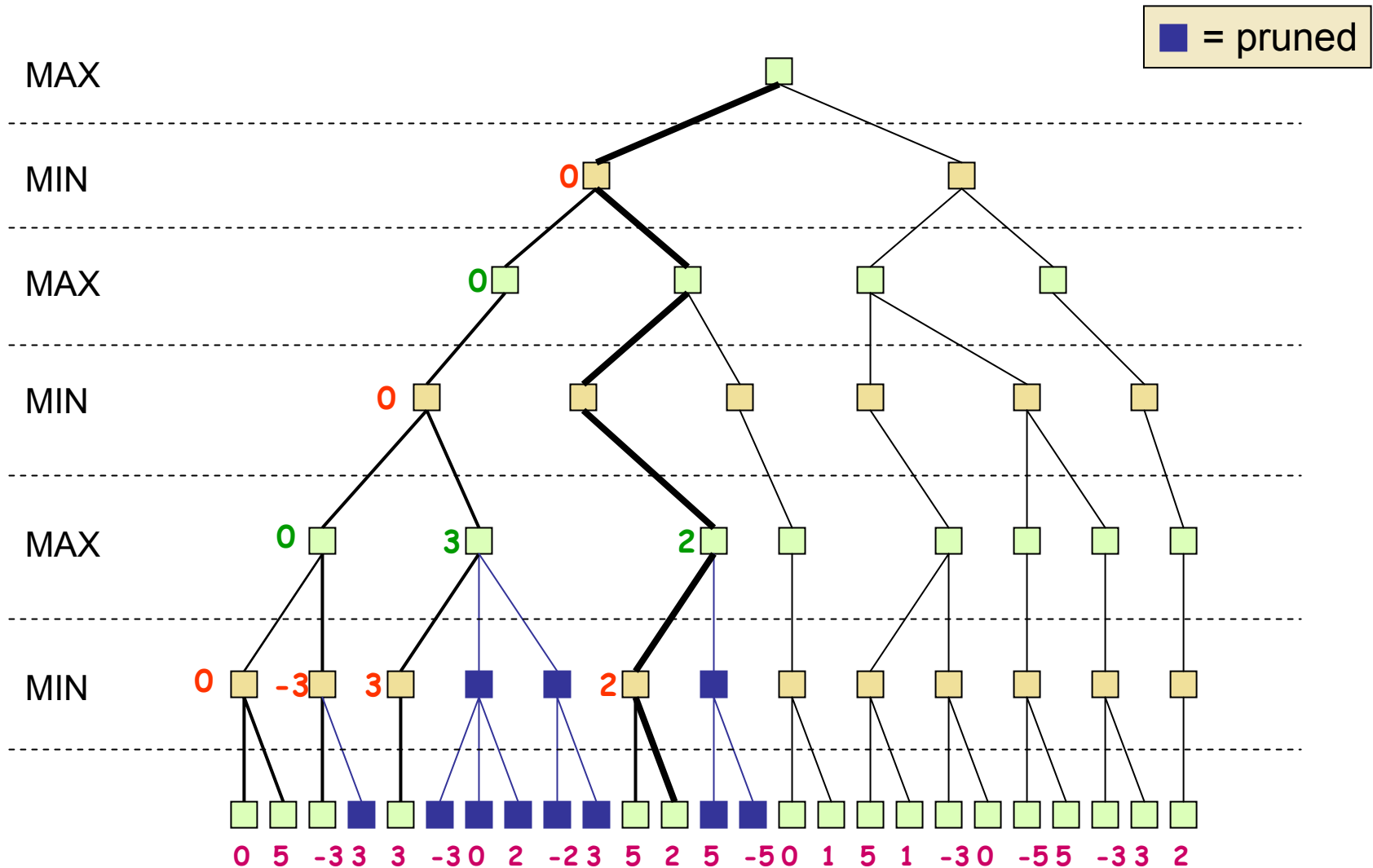




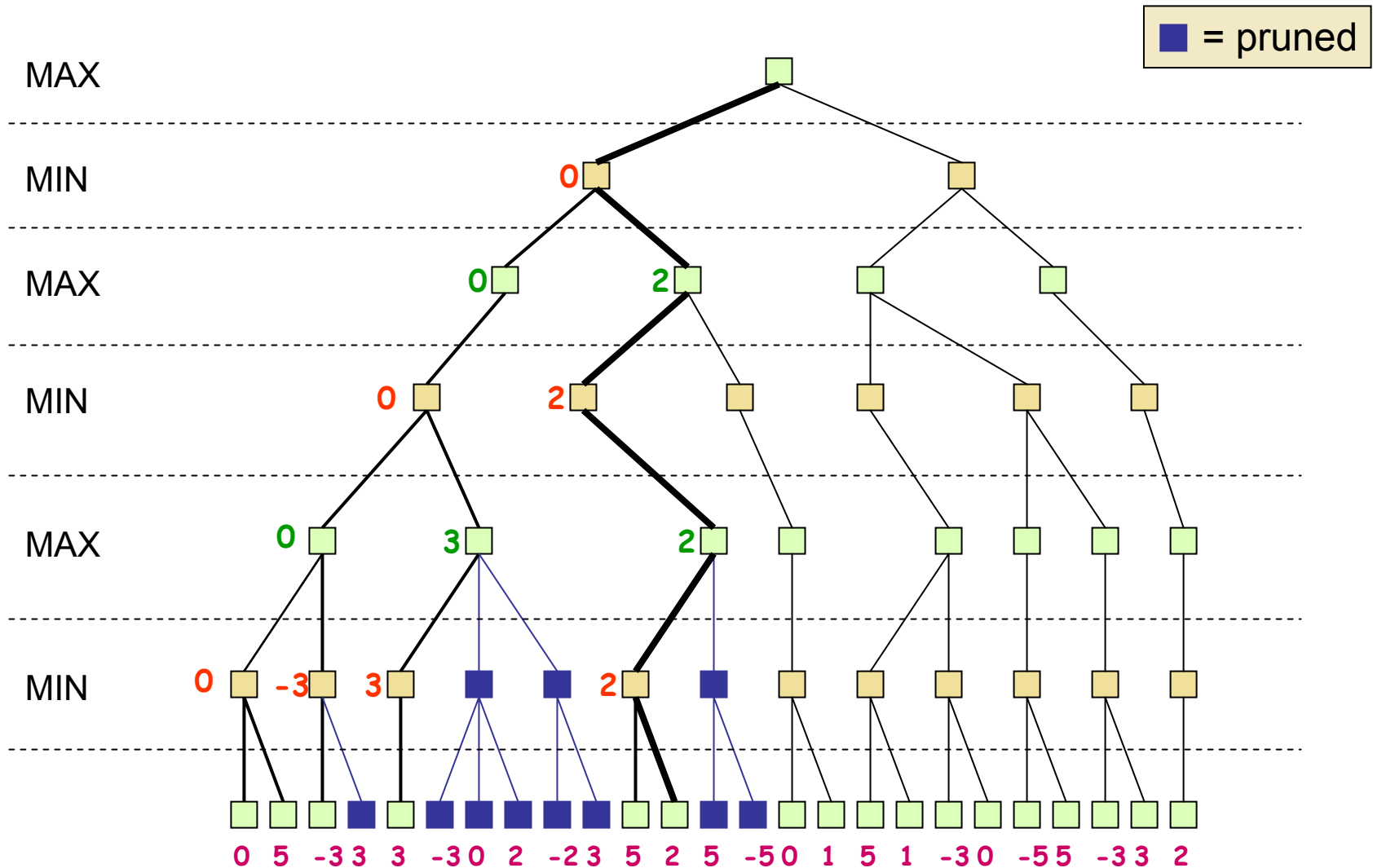
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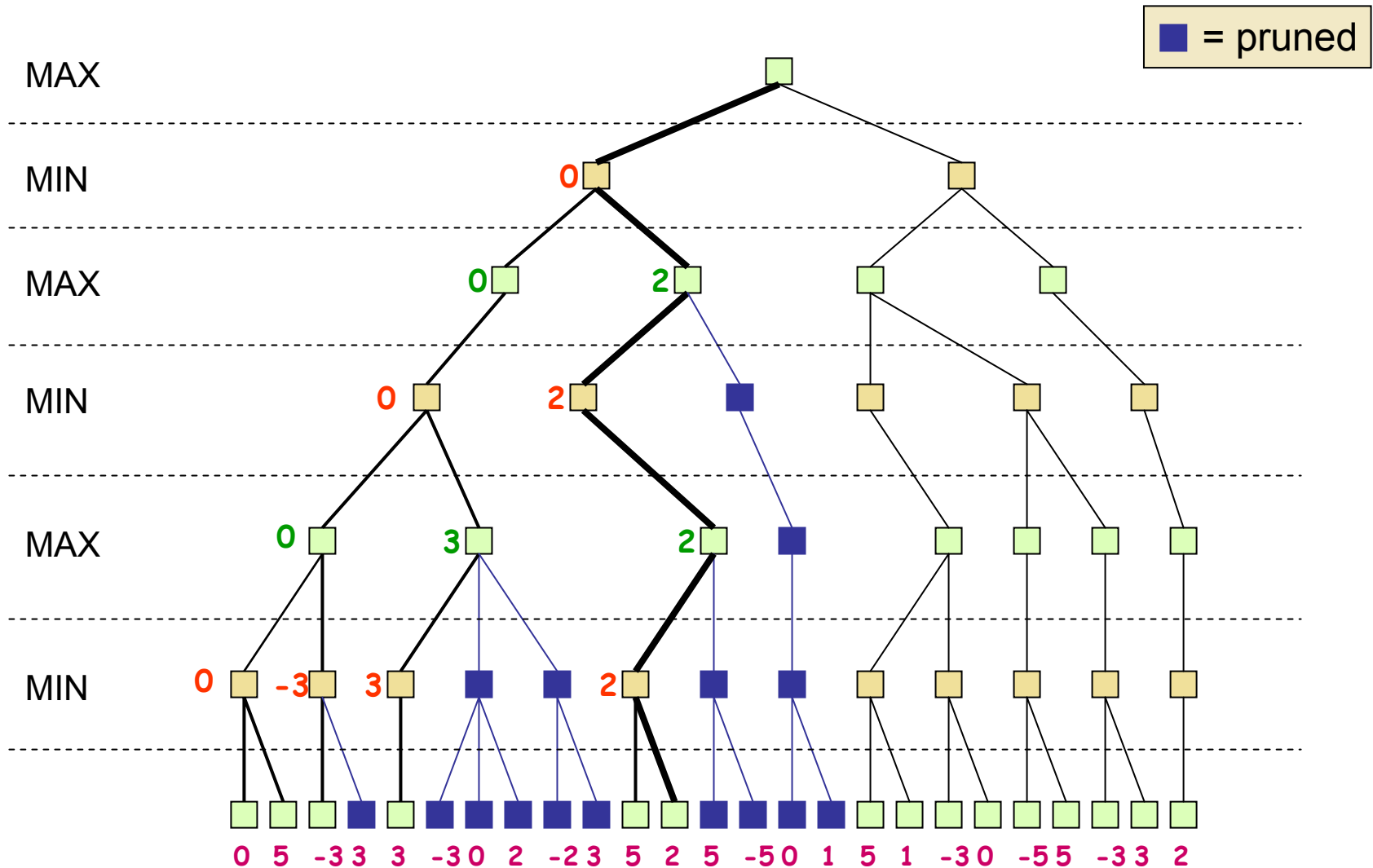
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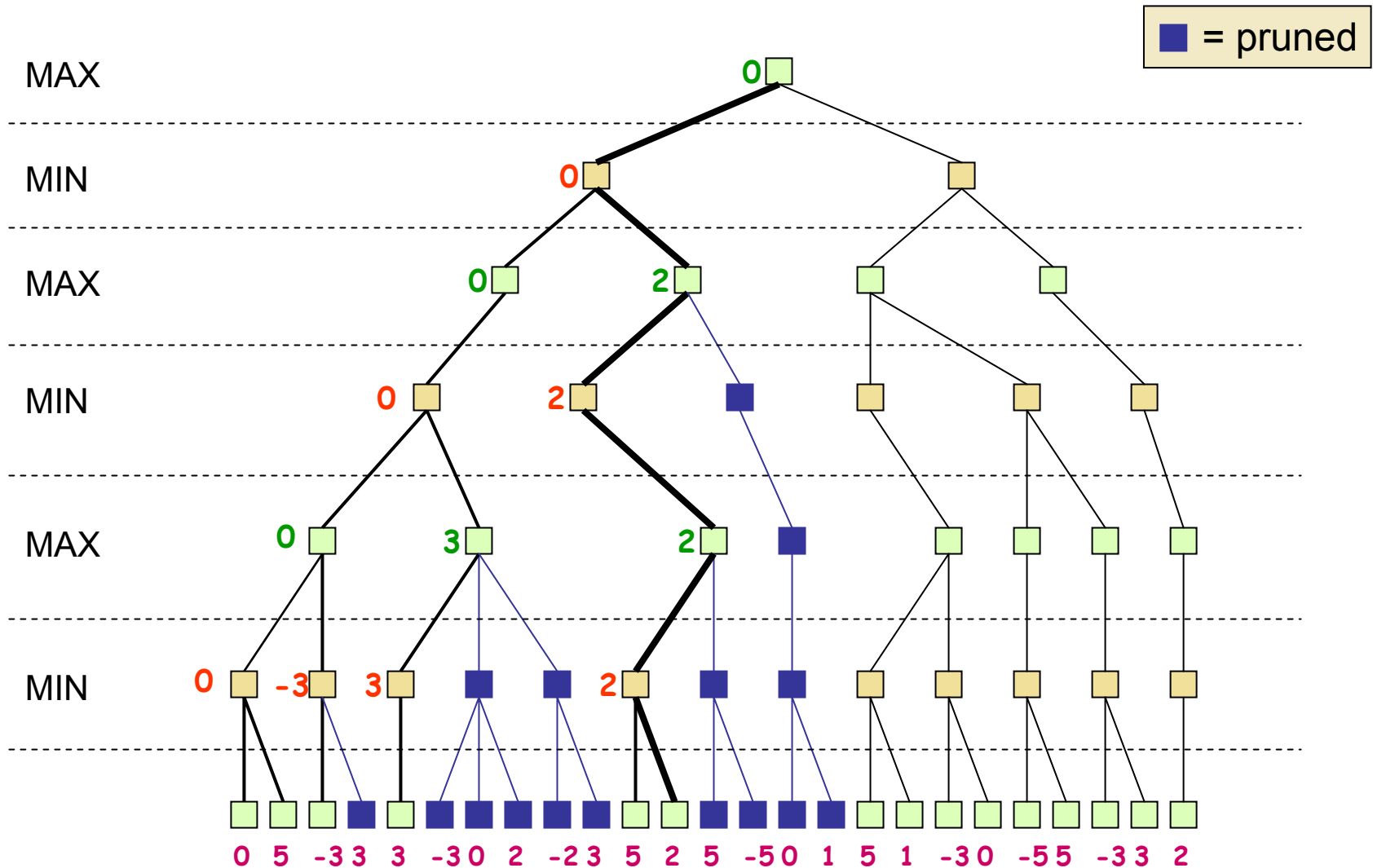
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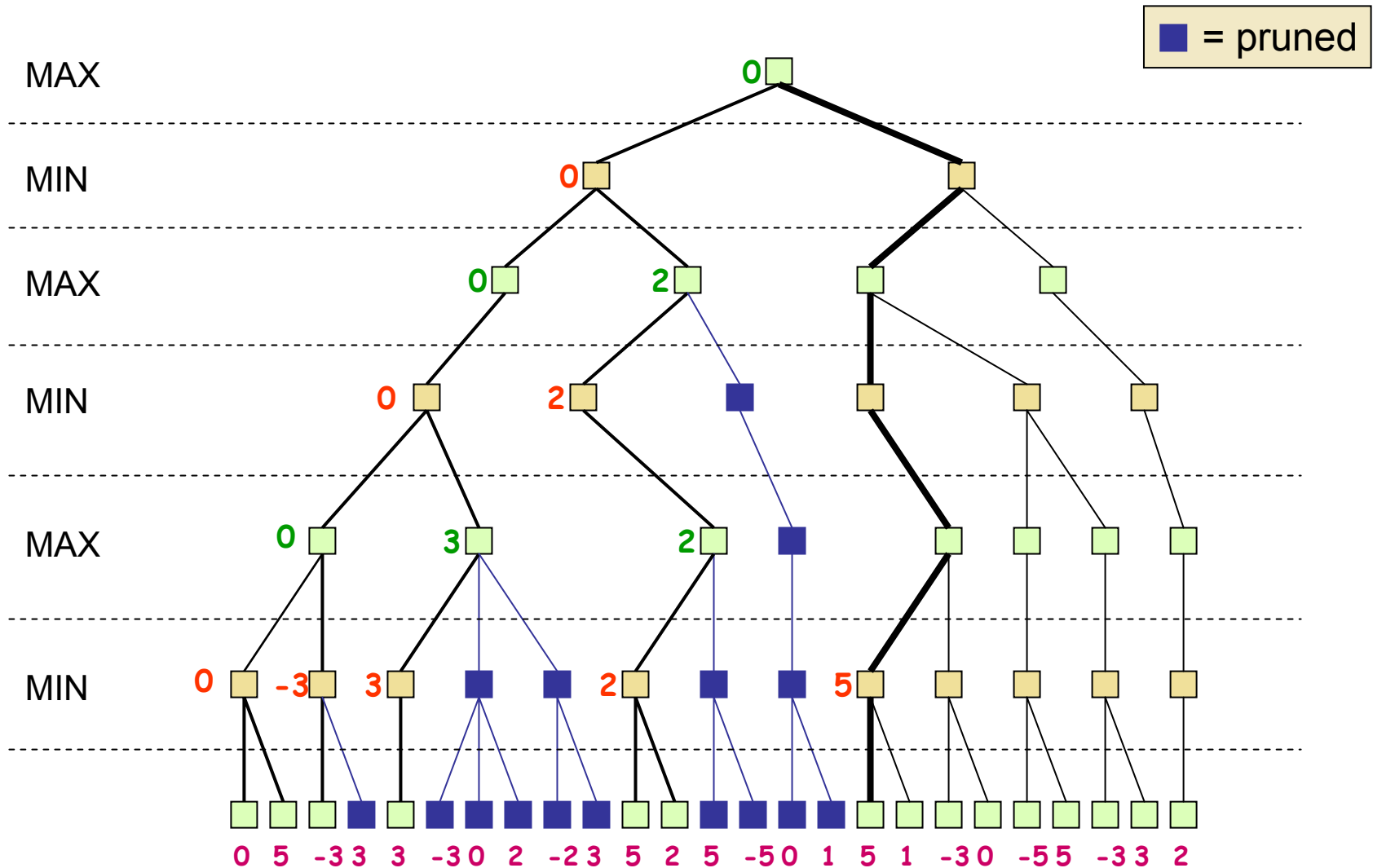
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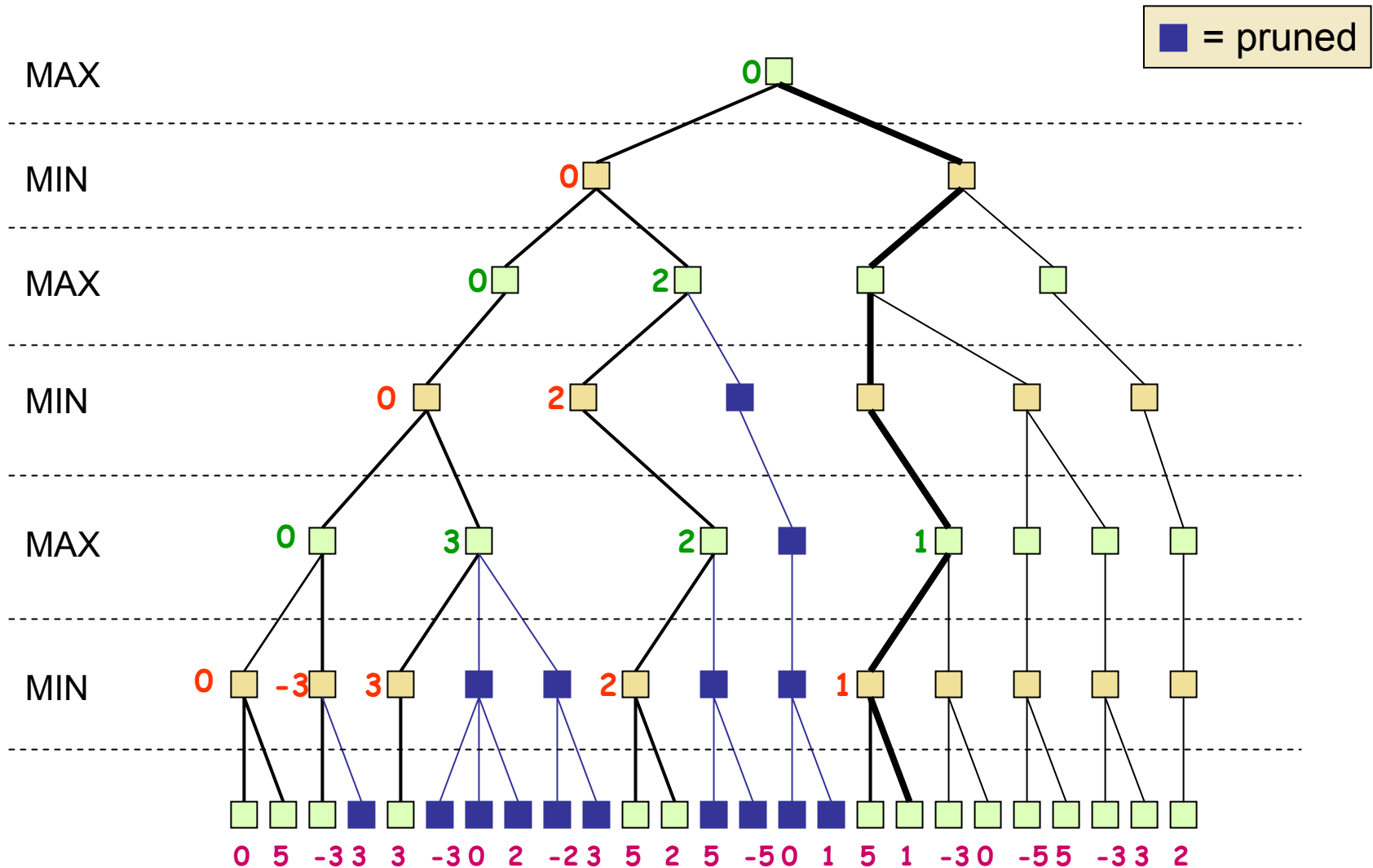
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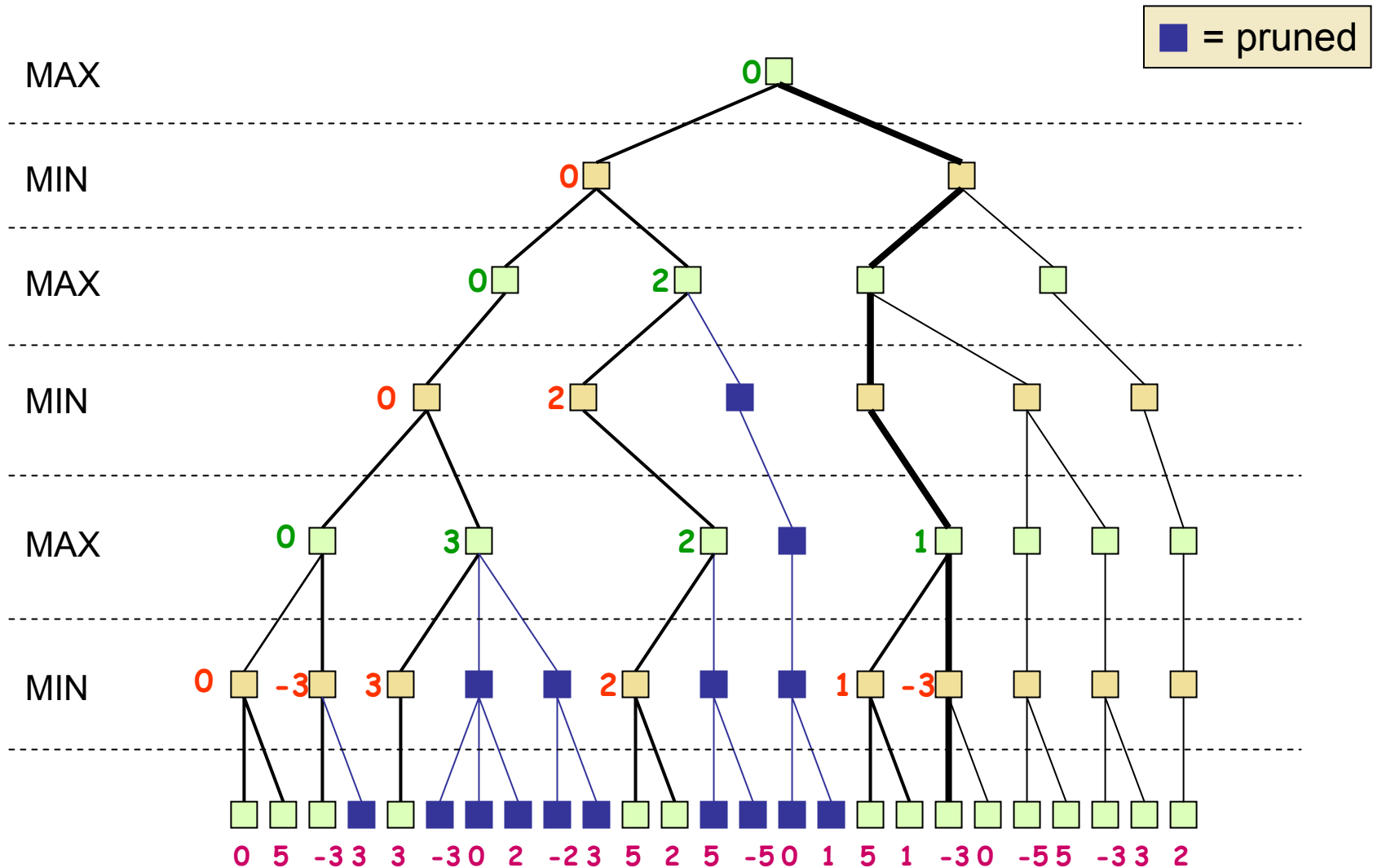
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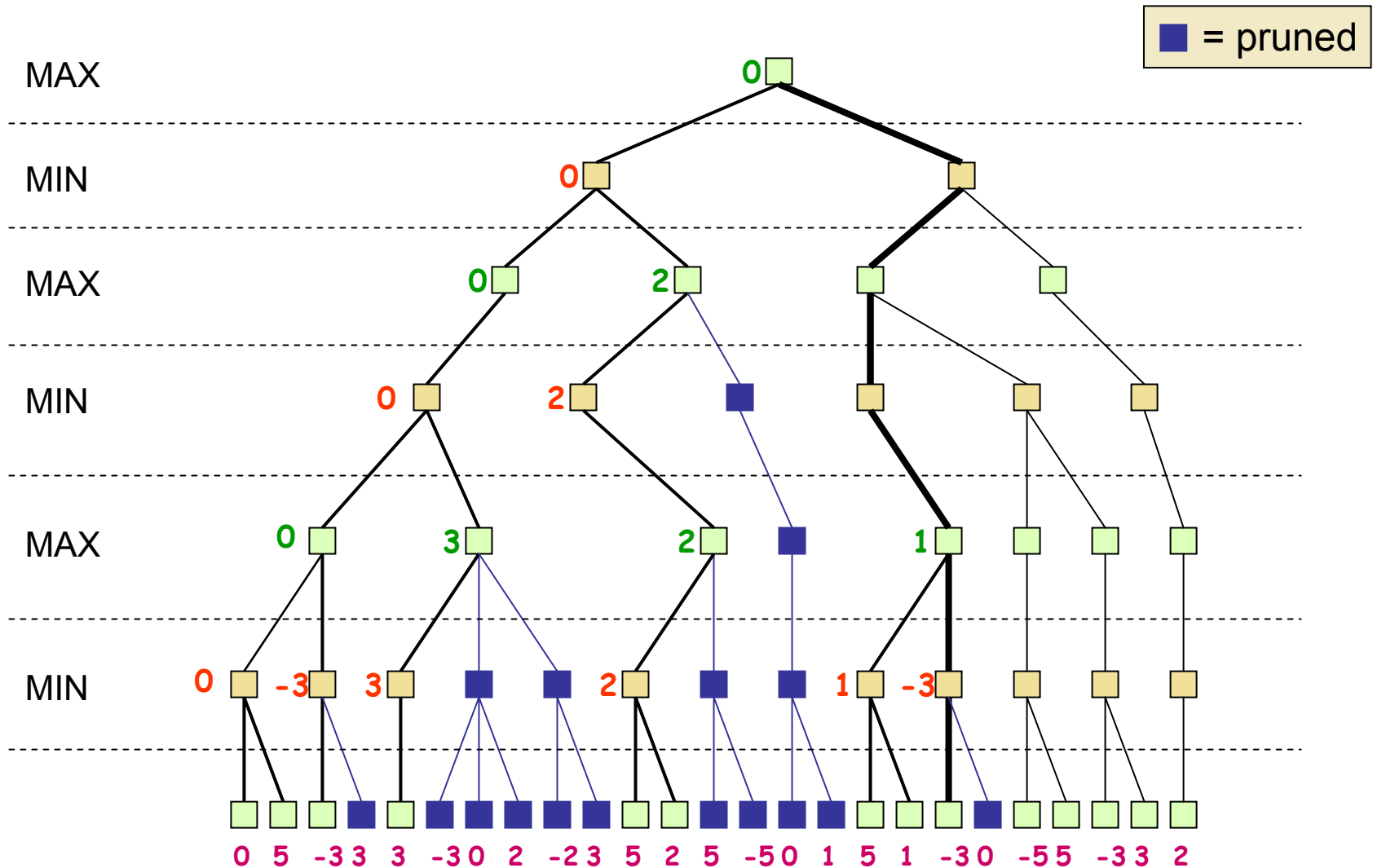


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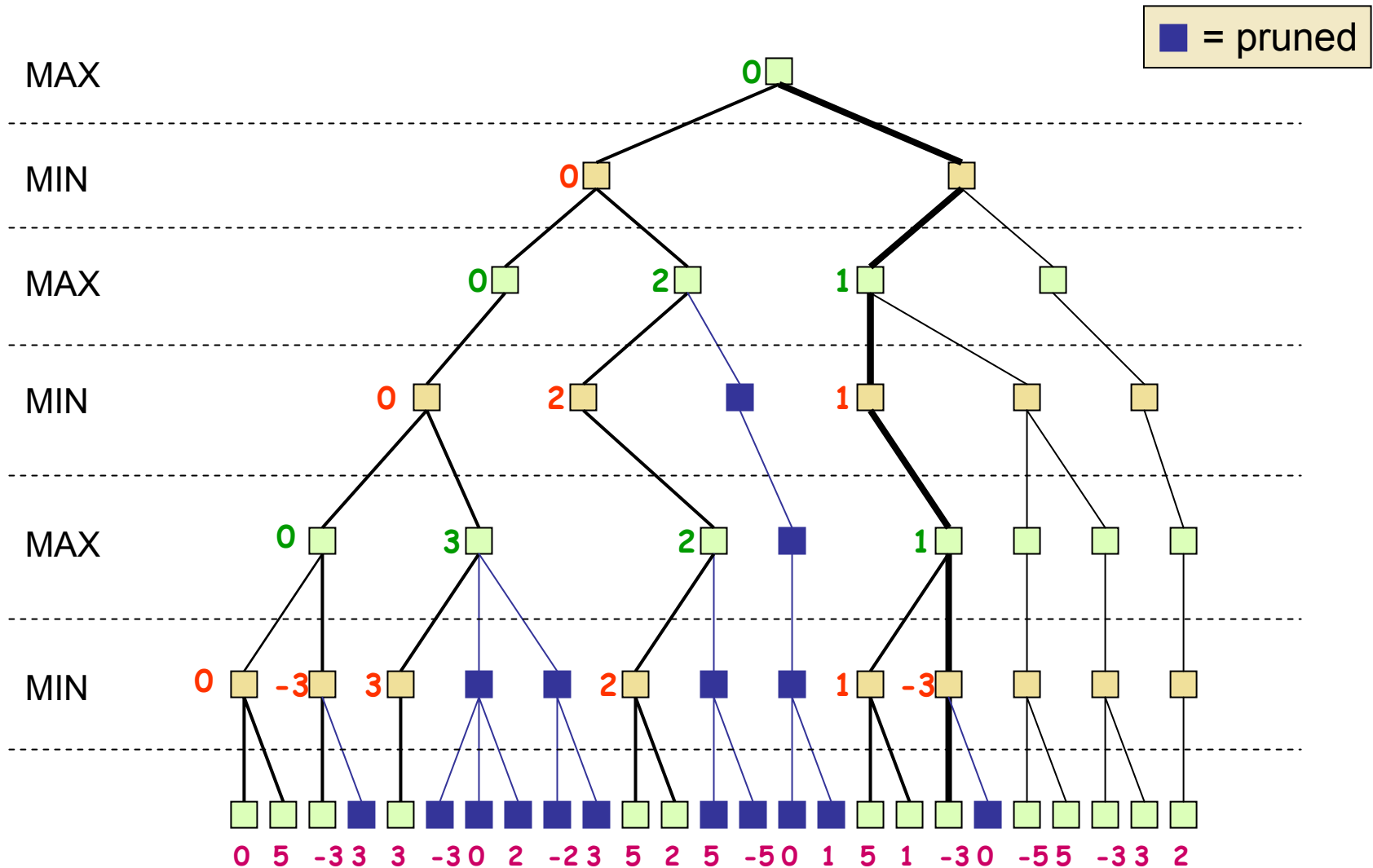




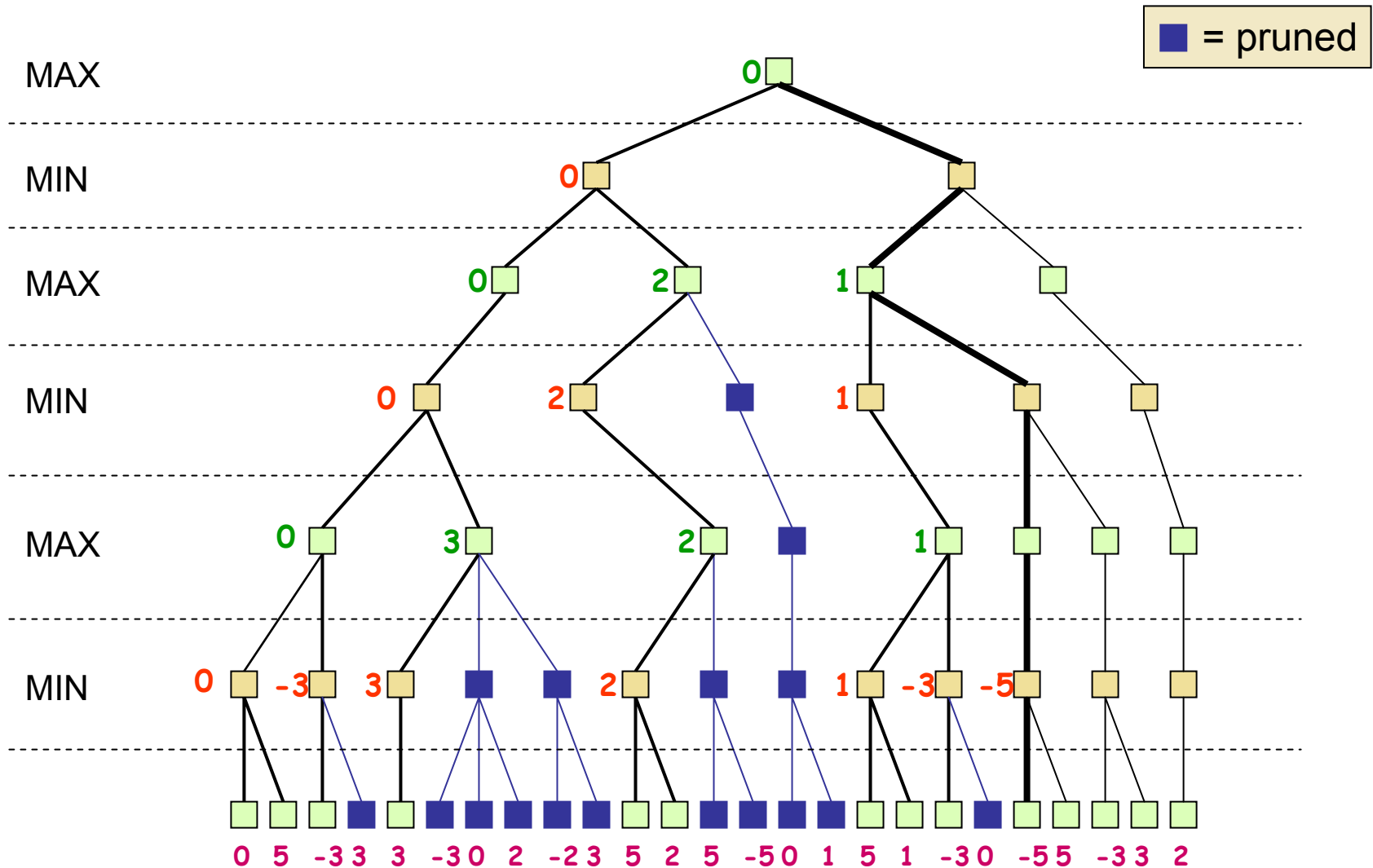
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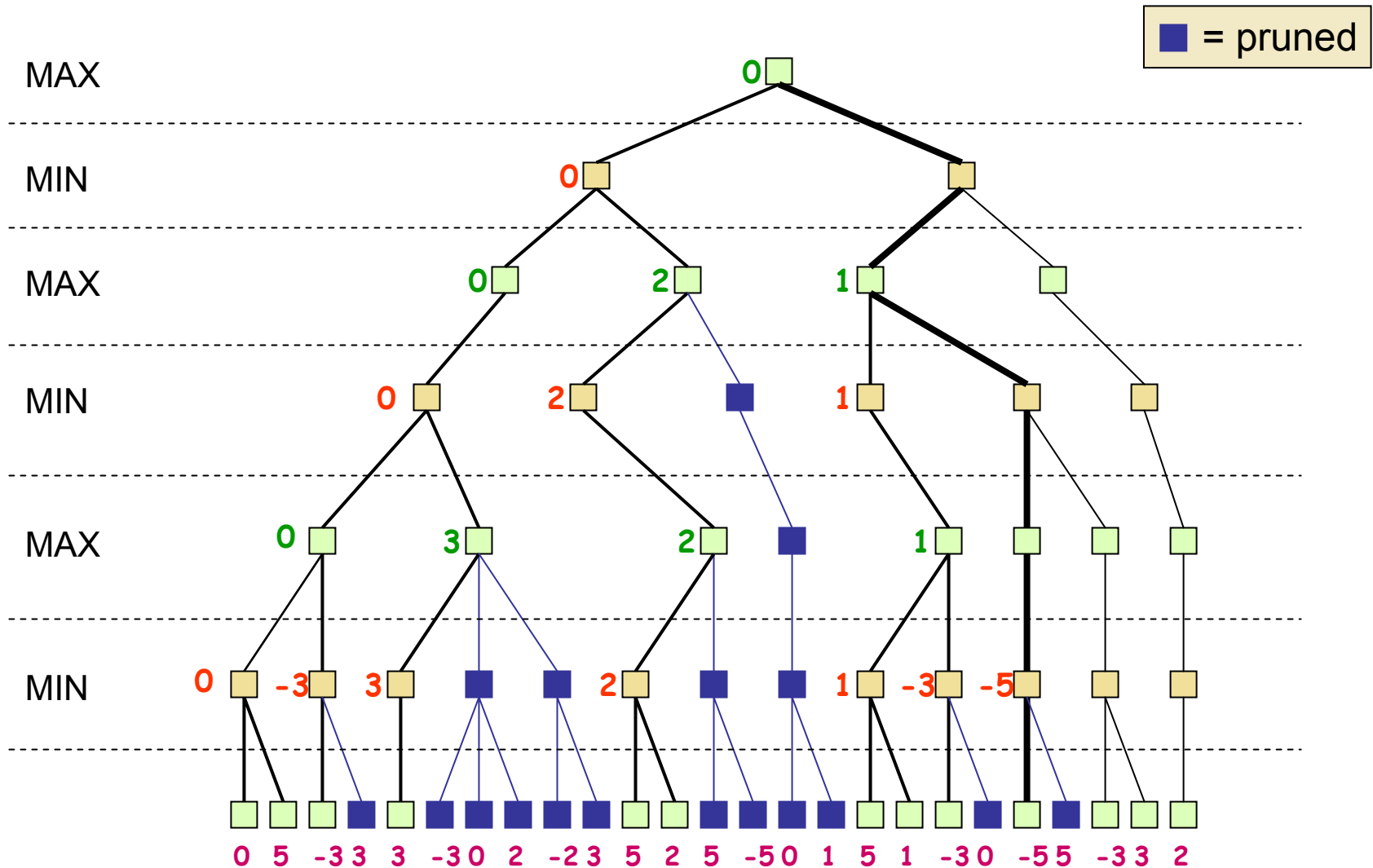
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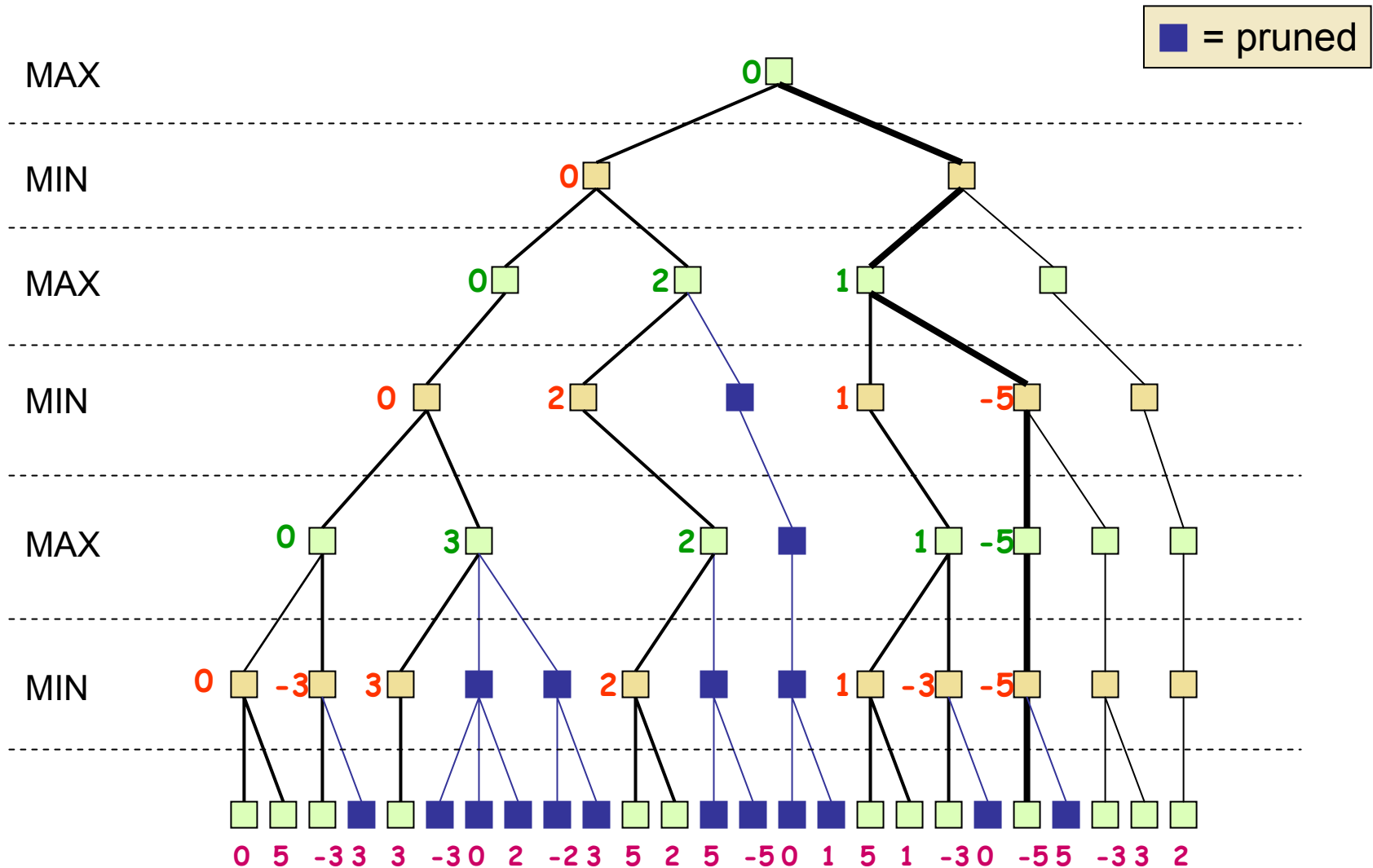
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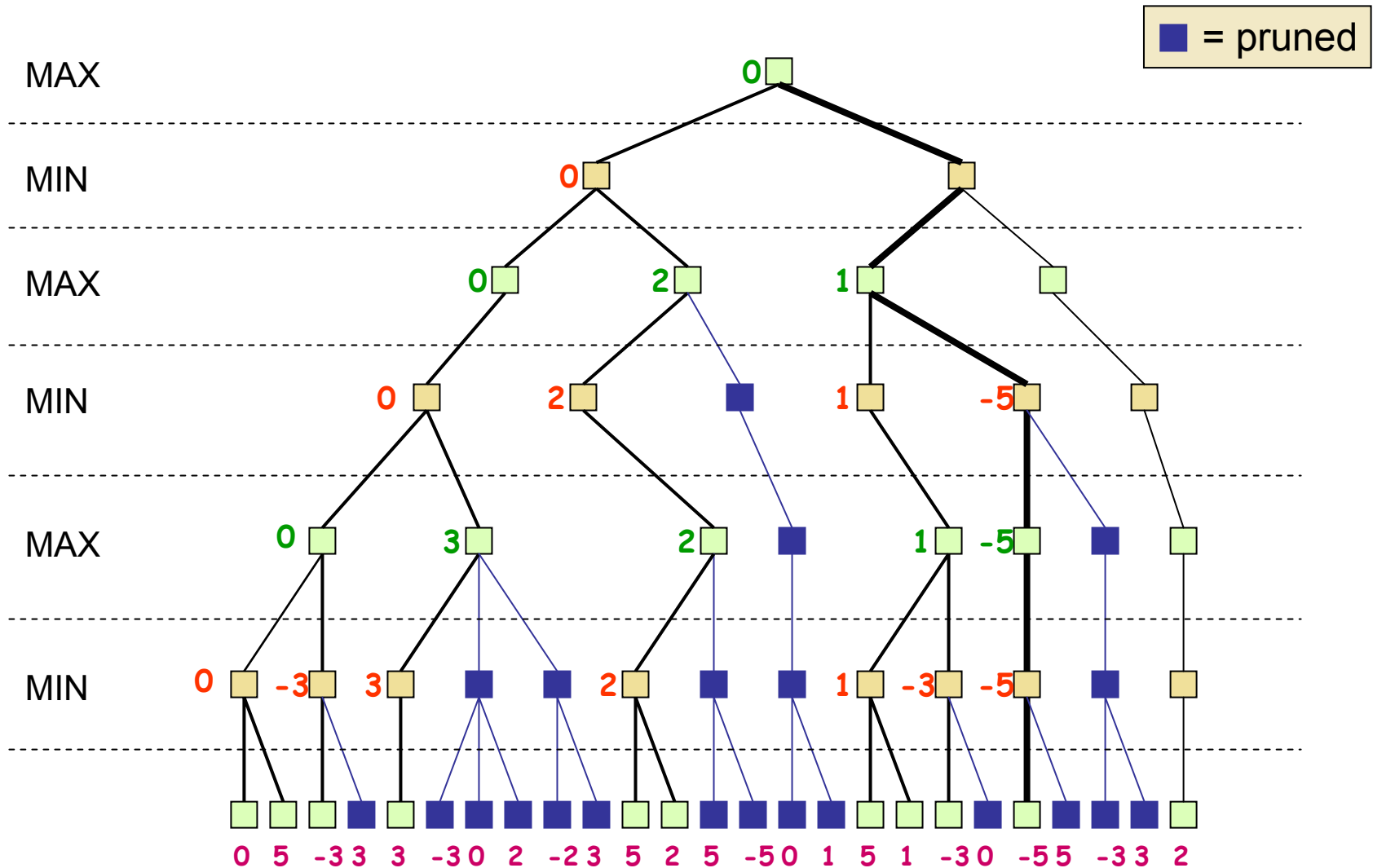
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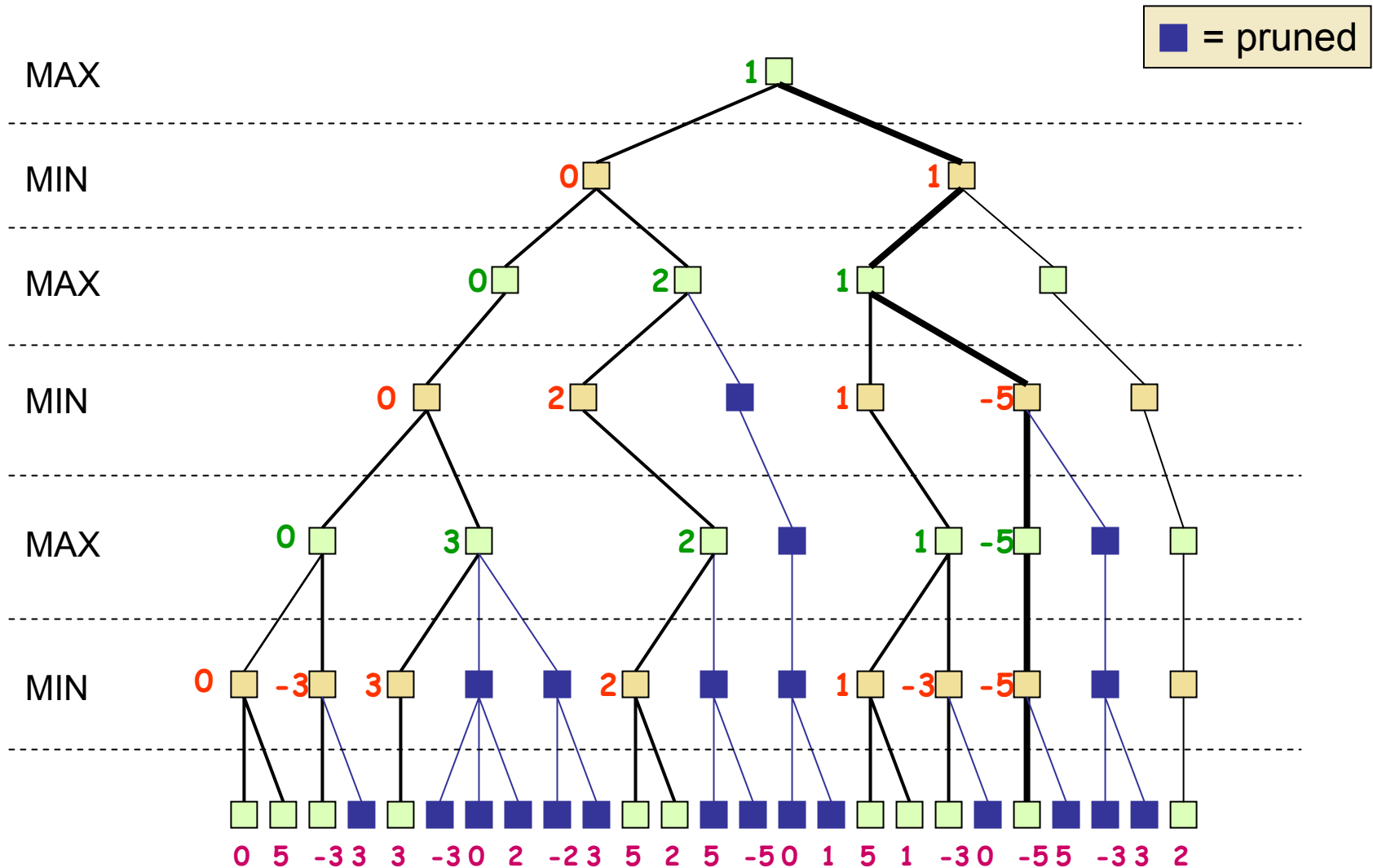
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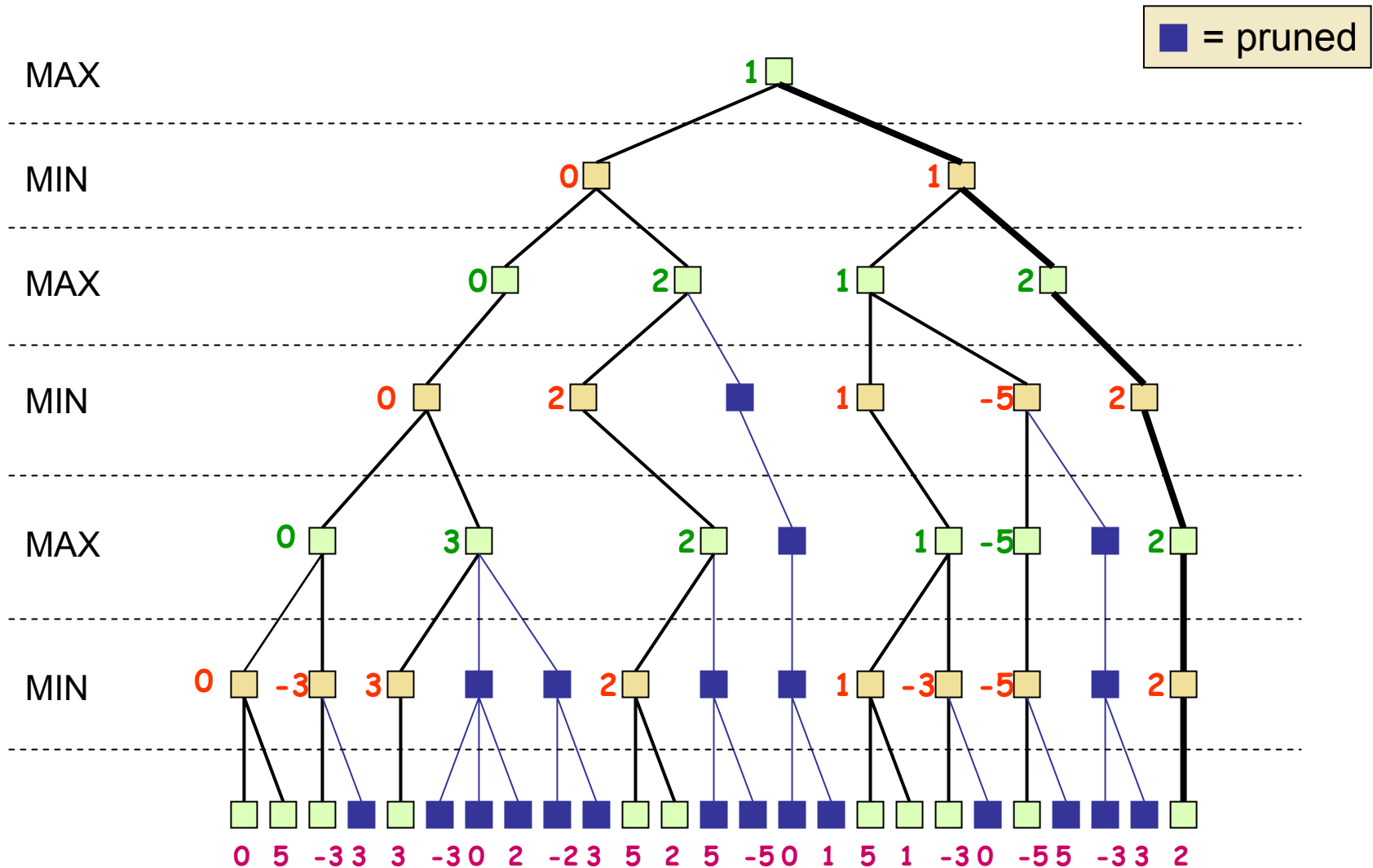
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