

# CPS216: Advanced Database Systems

Notes 05: Operators for Data Access  
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# Problem

- Relation: Employee (ID, Name, Dept, ...)
- 10 M tuples
- (Filter) Query:

```
SELECT *  
FROM Employee  
WHERE Name = "Bob"
```

# Solution #1: Full Table Scan

- Storage:
  - Employee relation stored in **contiguous** blocks
- Query plan:
  - Scan the entire relation, output tuples with Name = "Bob"
- Cost:
  - Size of each record = 100 bytes
  - Size of relation = 10 M x 100 = 1 GB
  - Time @ 20 MB/s  $\approx$  1 Minute

# Solution #2

- Storage:
  - Employee relation **sorted** on Name attribute
- Query plan:
  - Binary search

# Solution #2

- Cost:
  - Size of a block: 1024 bytes
  - Number of records per block:  $1024 / 100 = 10$
  - Total number of blocks:  $10 \text{ M} / 10 = 1 \text{ M}$
  - Blocks accessed by binary search: 20
  - Total time:  $20 \text{ ms} \times 20 = 400 \text{ ms}$

## Solution #2: Issues

- Filters on different attributes:

```
SELECT *  
FROM Employee  
WHERE Dept = "Sales"
```

- Inserts and Deletes

# Indexes

- Data structures that efficiently evaluate a class of filter predicates over a relation
- Class of filter predicates:
  - Single or multi-attributes (**index-key attributes**)
  - Range and/or equality predicates
- (Usually) independent of physical storage of relation:
  - Multiple indexes per relation

# Indexes

- Disk resident
  - Large to fit in memory
  - Persistent
- Updated when indexed relation updated
  - Relation updates costlier
  - Query cheaper



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Single-Attribute Index on **Name** that supports equality predicates

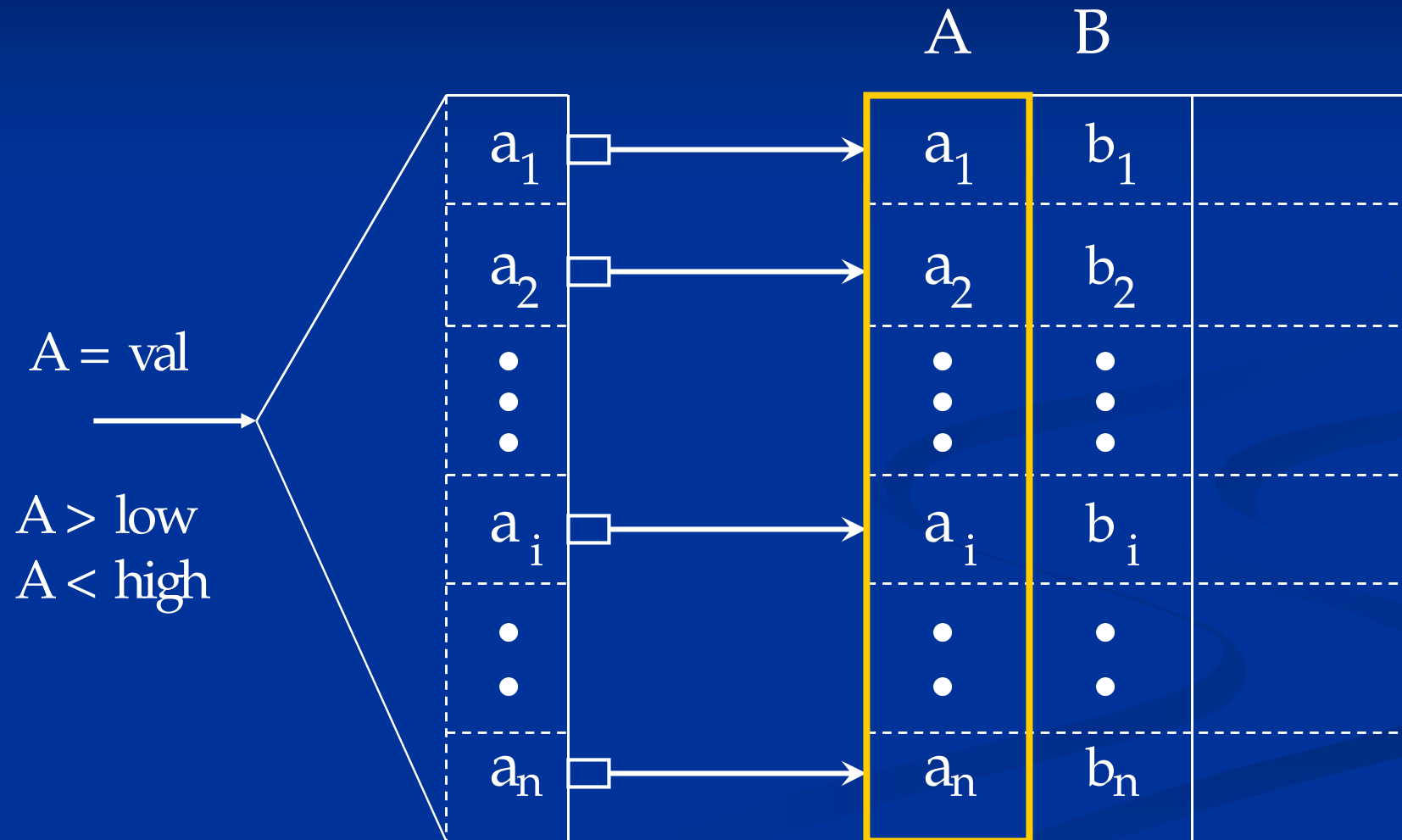
# Roadmap

- Motivation
- Single-Attribute Indexes: Overview
- Order-based Indexes
  - B-Trees
- Hash-based Indexes (May cover in future)
  - Extensible Hashing
  - Linear Hashing
- Multi-Attribute Indexes (Chapter 14 GMUW, May cover in future)

# Single Attribute Index: General Construction

A	B	
$a_1$	$b_1$	
$a_2$	$b_2$	
•	•	
•	•	
•	•	
$a_i$	$b_i$	
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•	•	
$a_n$	$b_n$	

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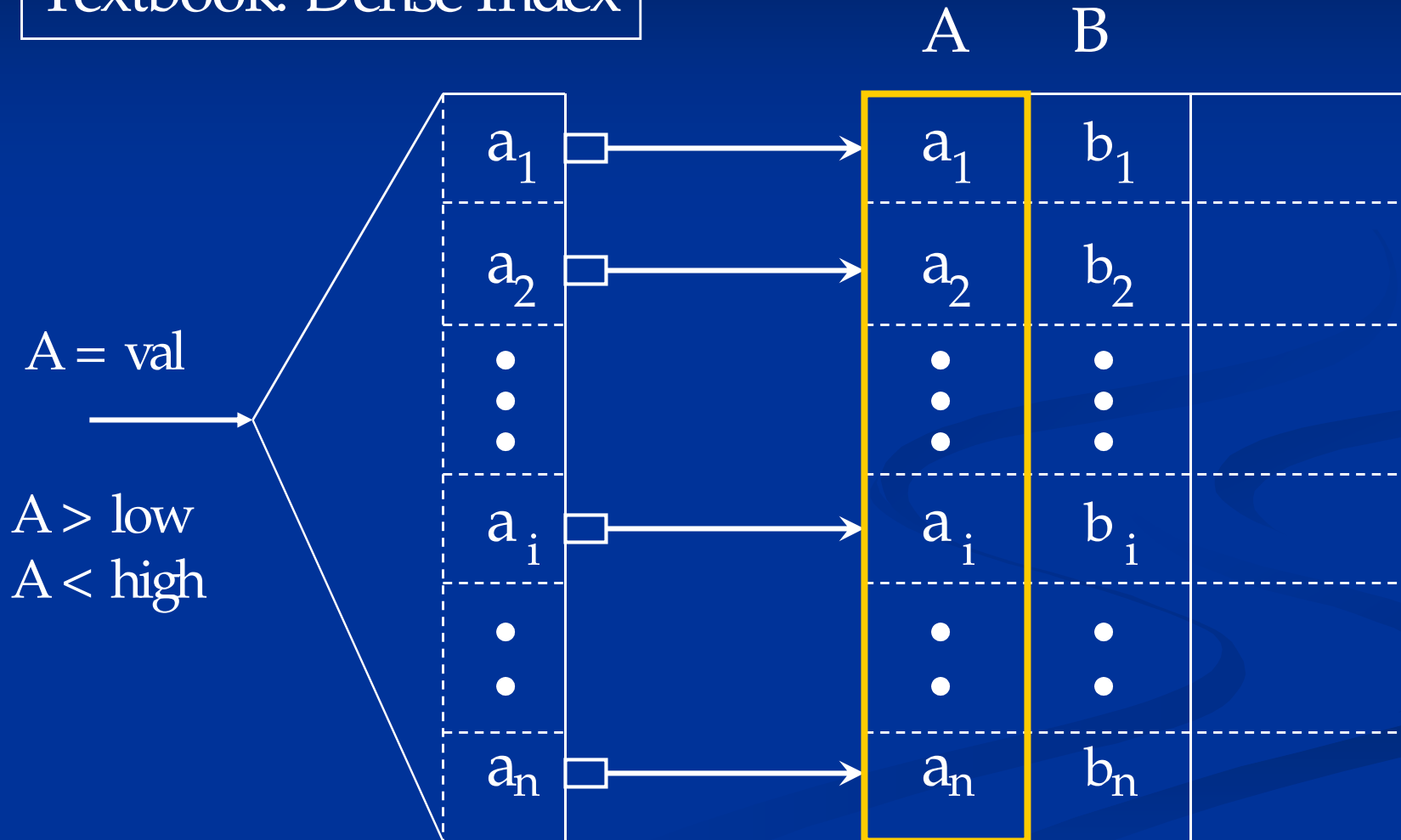


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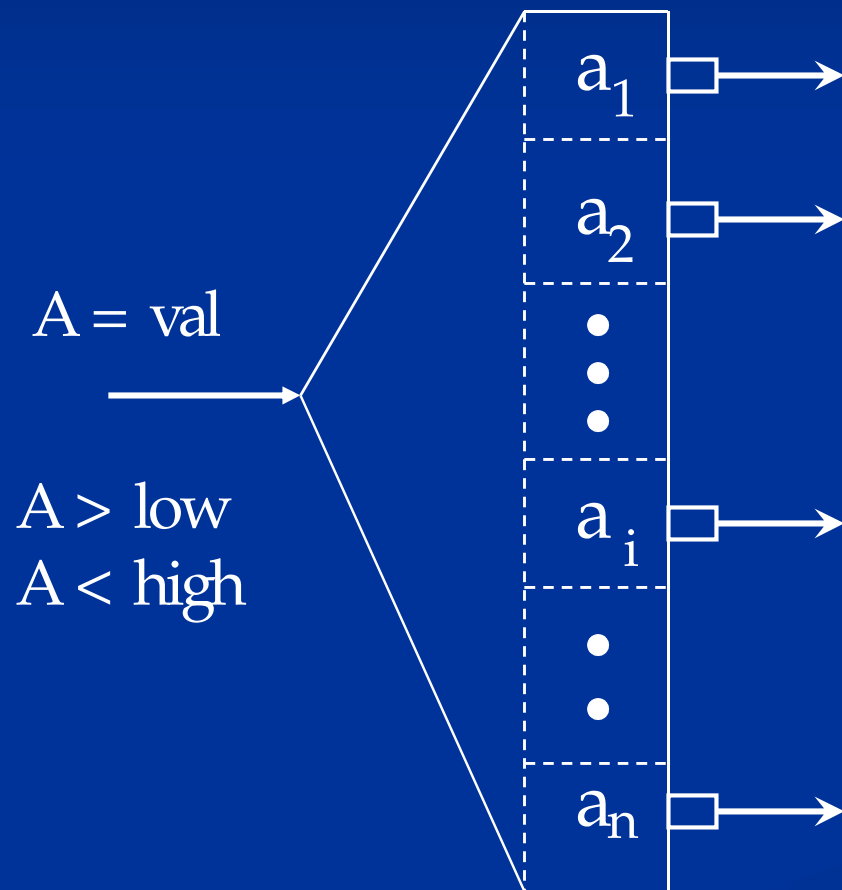
- Sparse Indexes
  - Require specific physical layout of relation
  - Example: Relation sorted on indexed attribute
  - More efficient

# Single Attribute Index: General Construction

Textbook: Dense Index



# Single Attribute Index: General Construction



How do we organize  
(attribute, pointer) pairs?

Idea: Use dictionary  
data structures

Issue: Disk resident?

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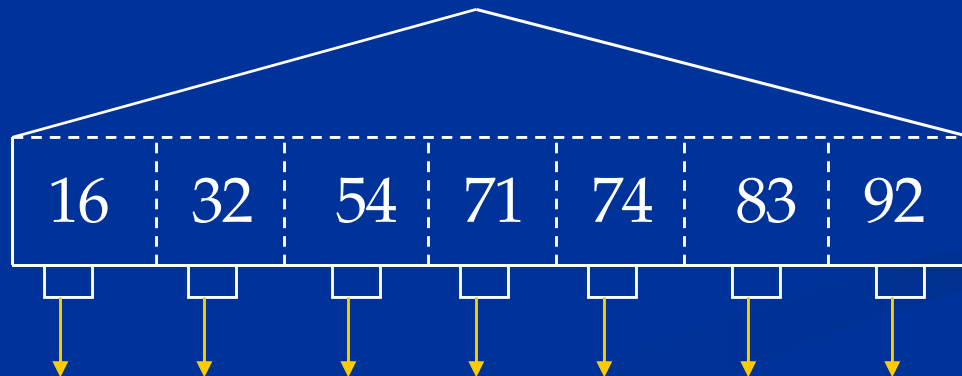
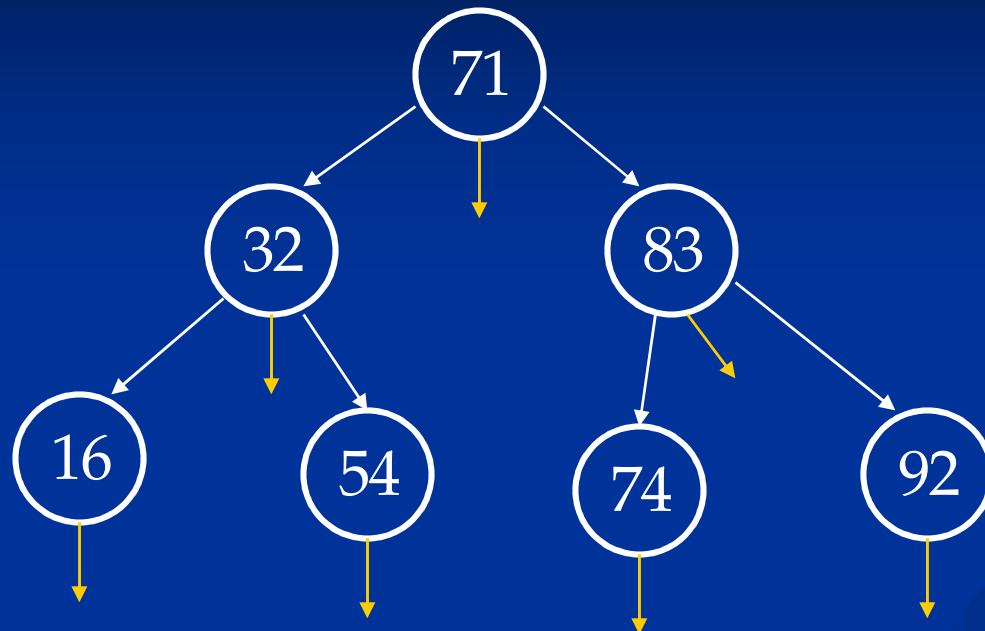
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# B-Trees

- Adaptation of search tree data structure
  - 2-3 trees
- Supports range predicates (and equality)

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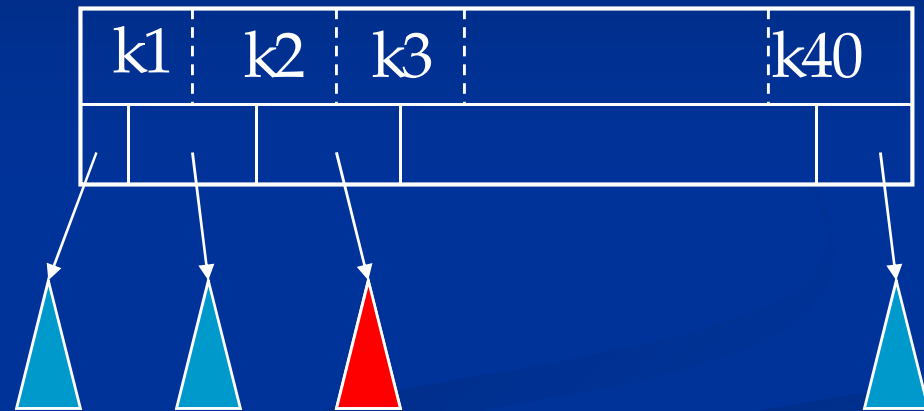
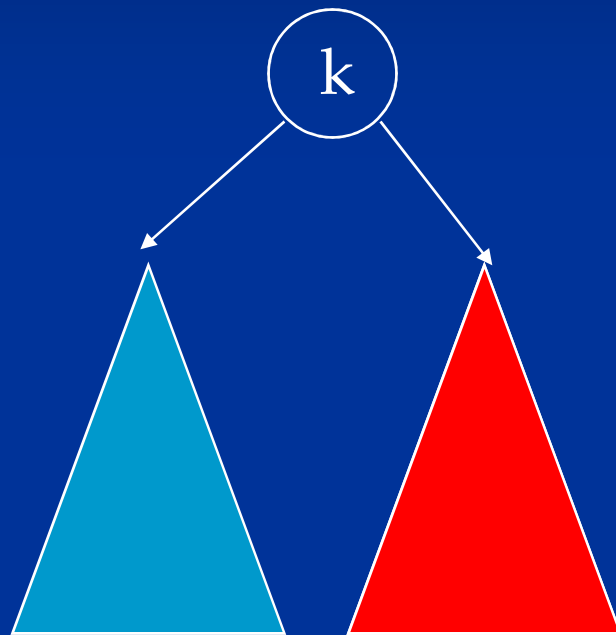
- Store records of type  
<key, left-ptr, right-ptr, data-ptr>
- Remember position of root
- Question: will this work?
  - Yes
  - But we can do better!

# Use Binary Search Tree Directly?

- Number of keys: 1 M
- Number of levels:  $\log(2^{20}) = 20$
- Total cost index lookup: 20 random disk I/O
  - $20 \times 20 \text{ ms} = 400 \text{ ms}$

**B-Tree: less than 3 random disk I/O**

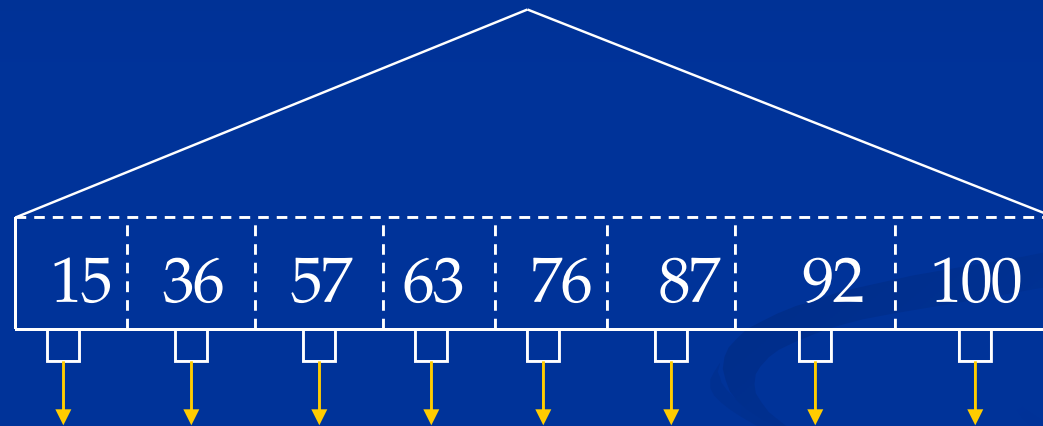
# B-Tree vs. Binary Search Tree



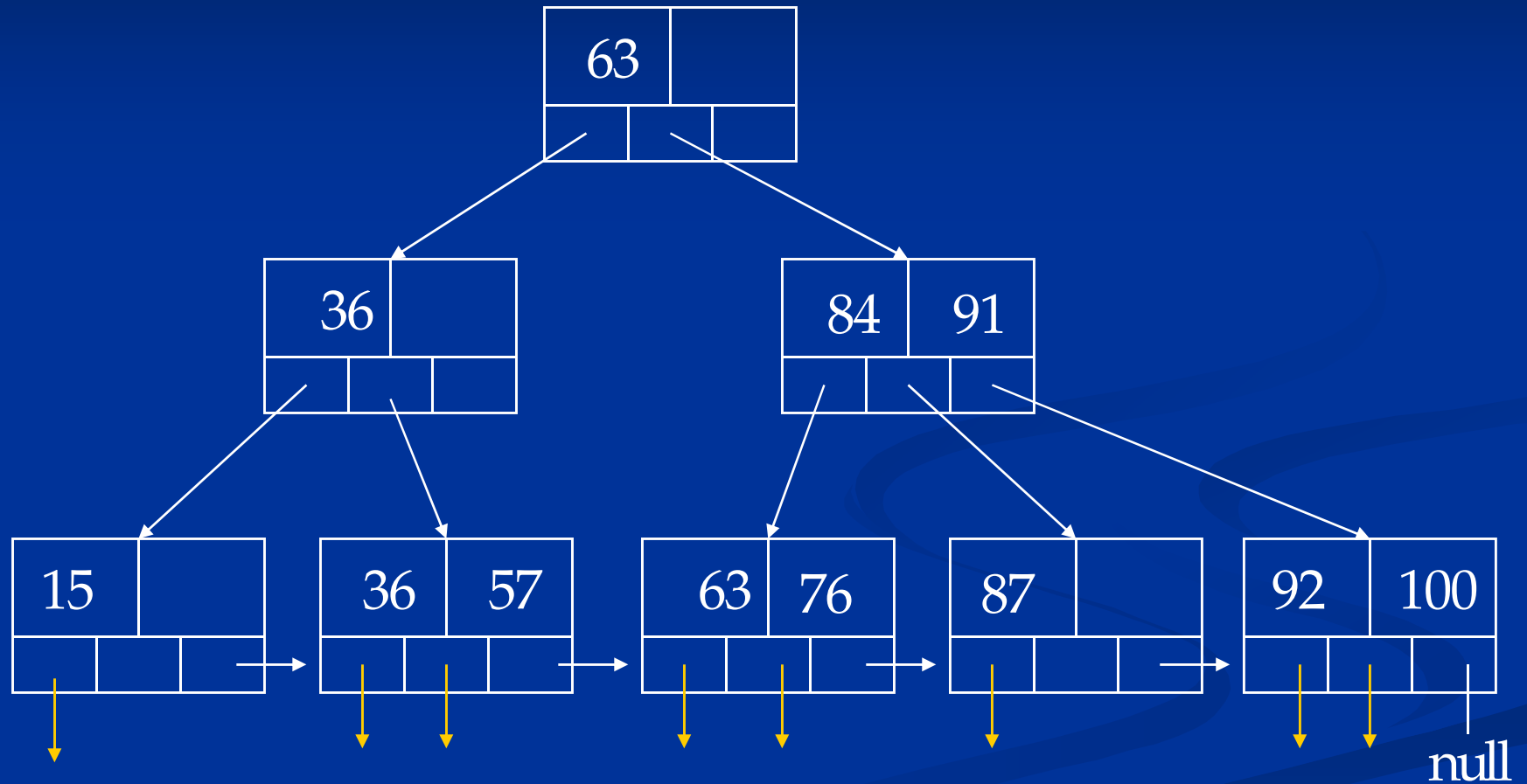
1 Random I/O prunes tree by 40

1 Random I/O prunes tree by half

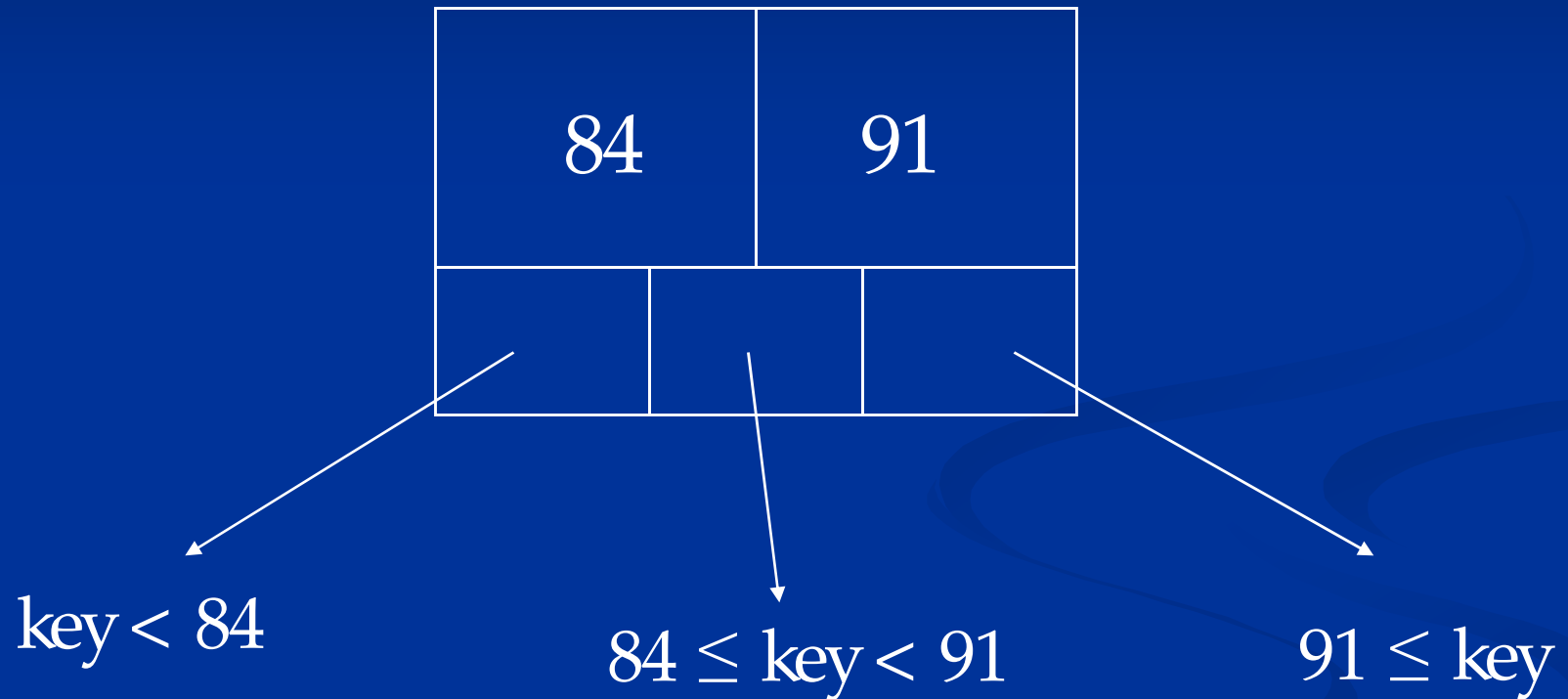
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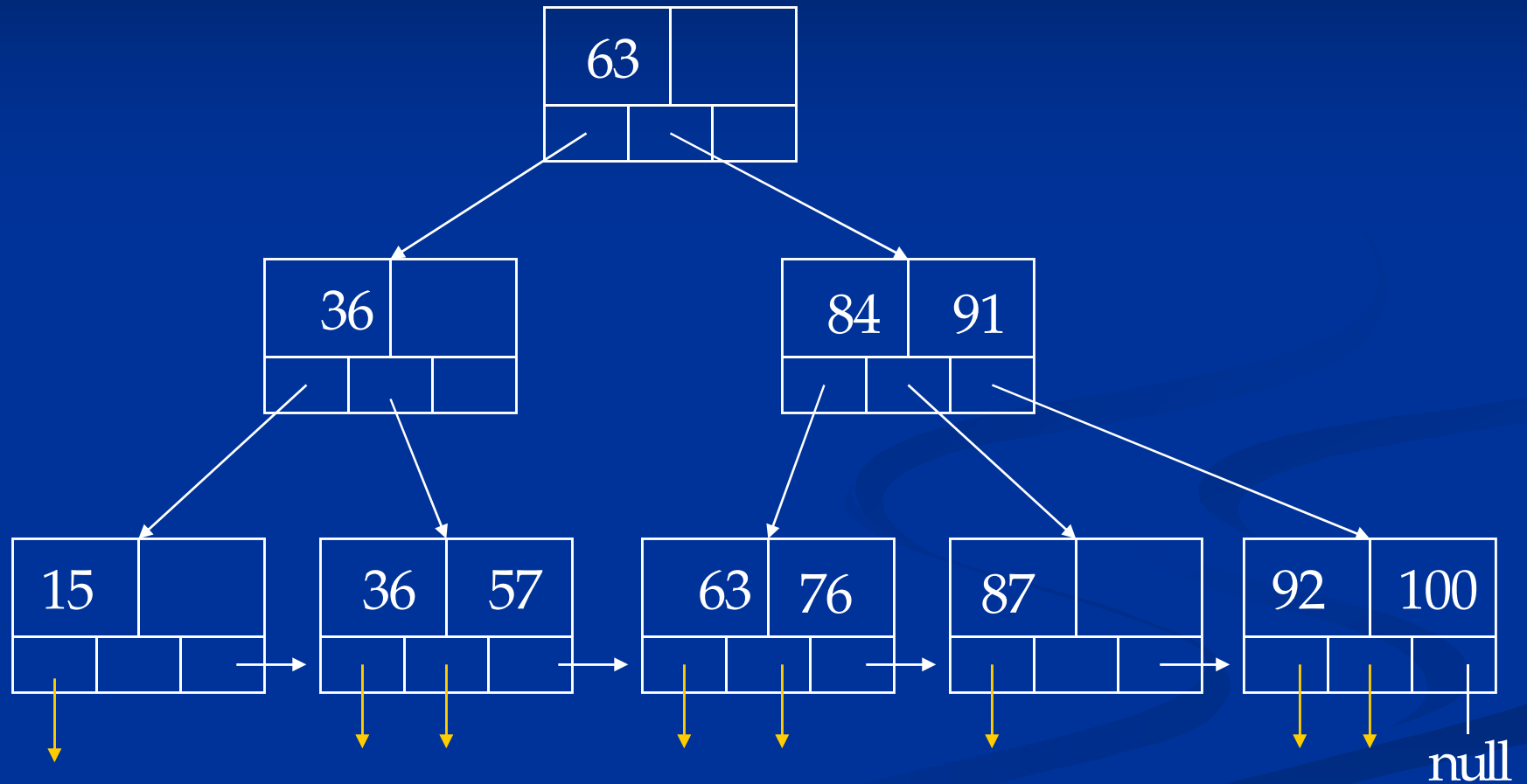


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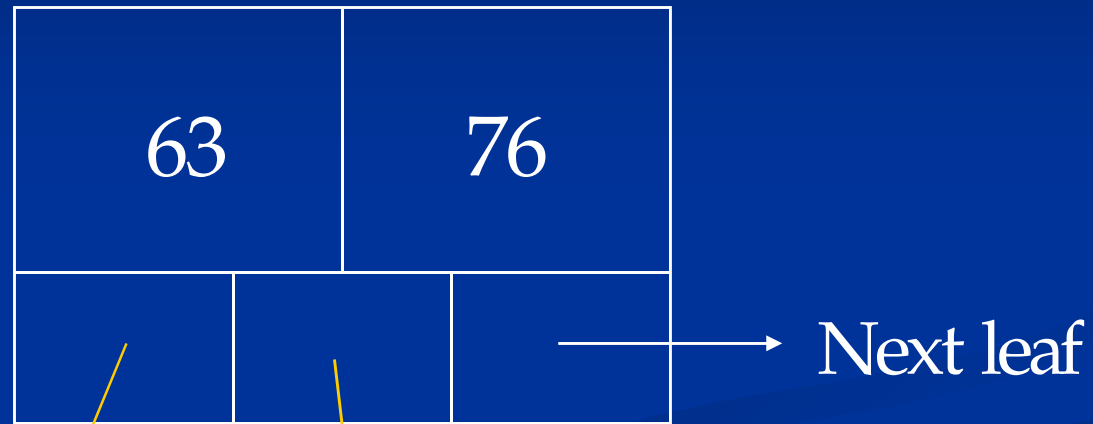




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# Meaning of Leaf Nodes

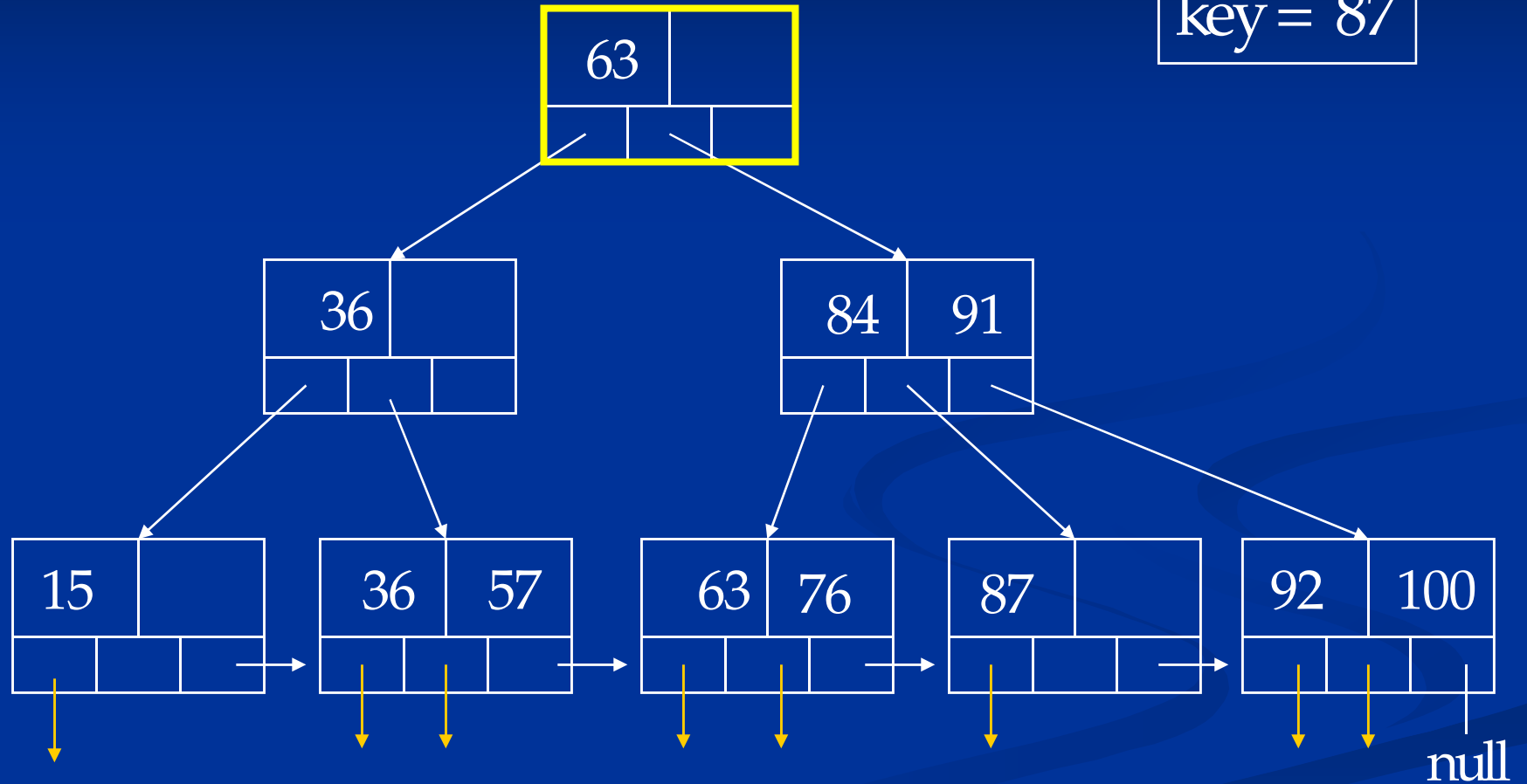


pointer to record 63

pointer to record 76

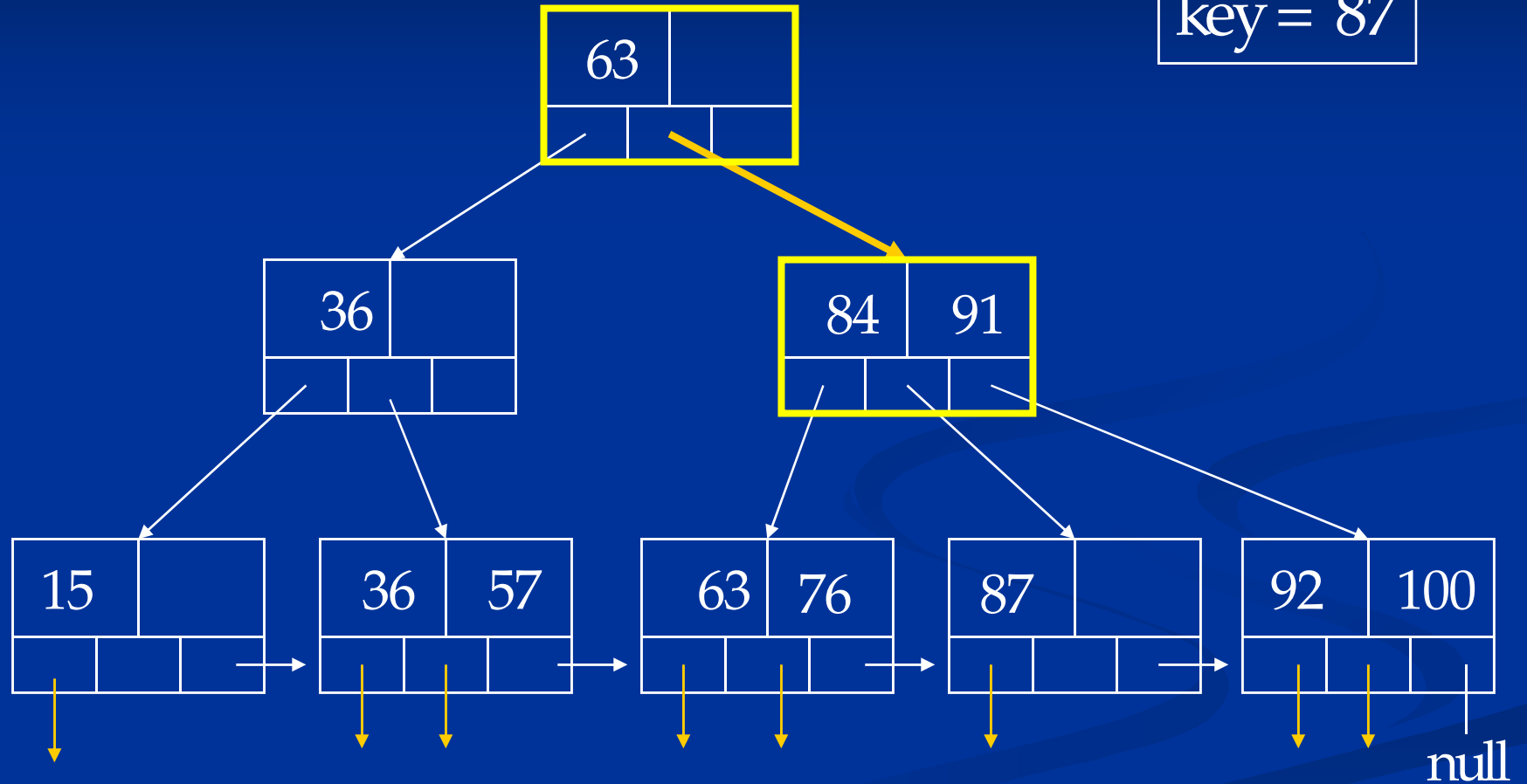
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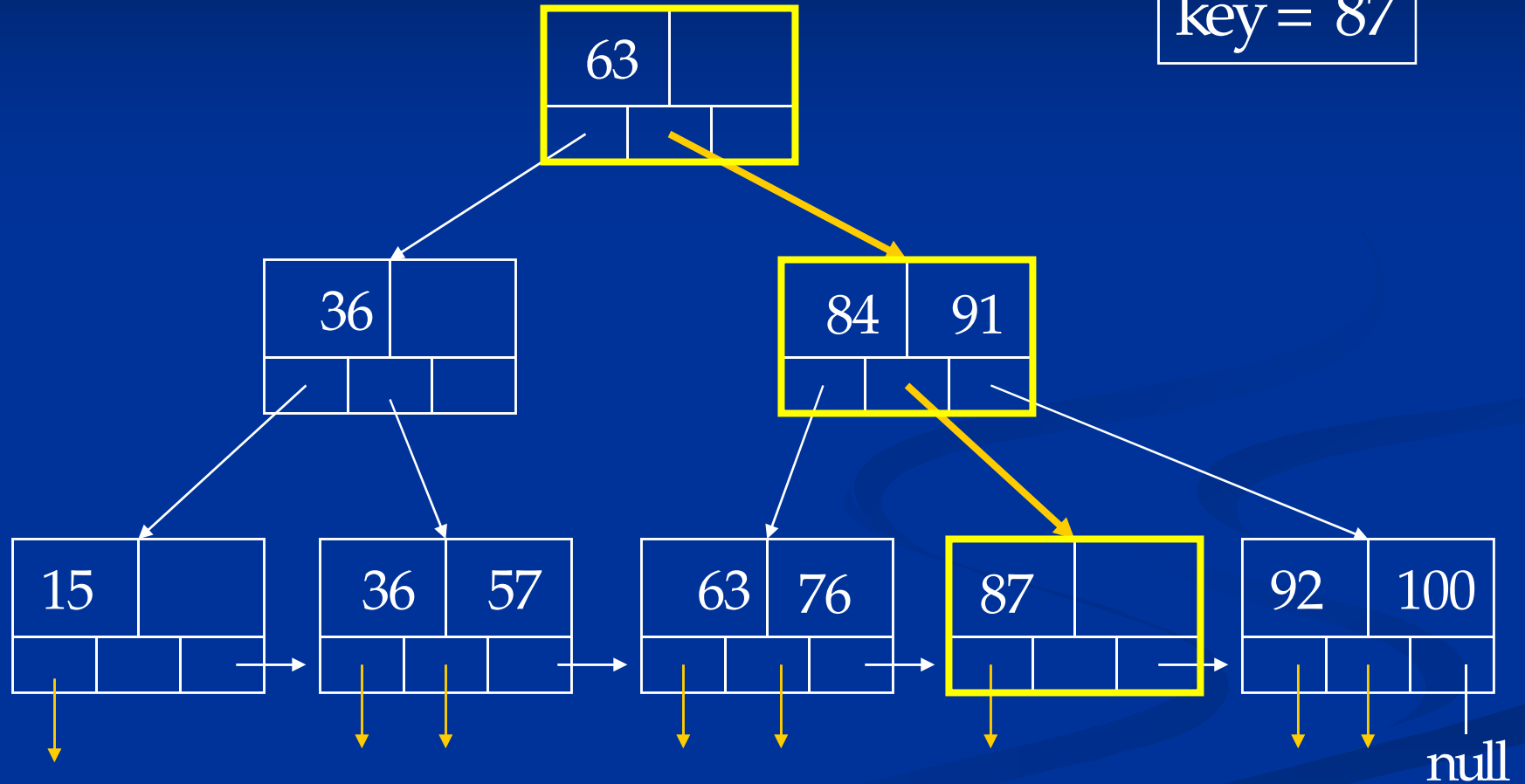
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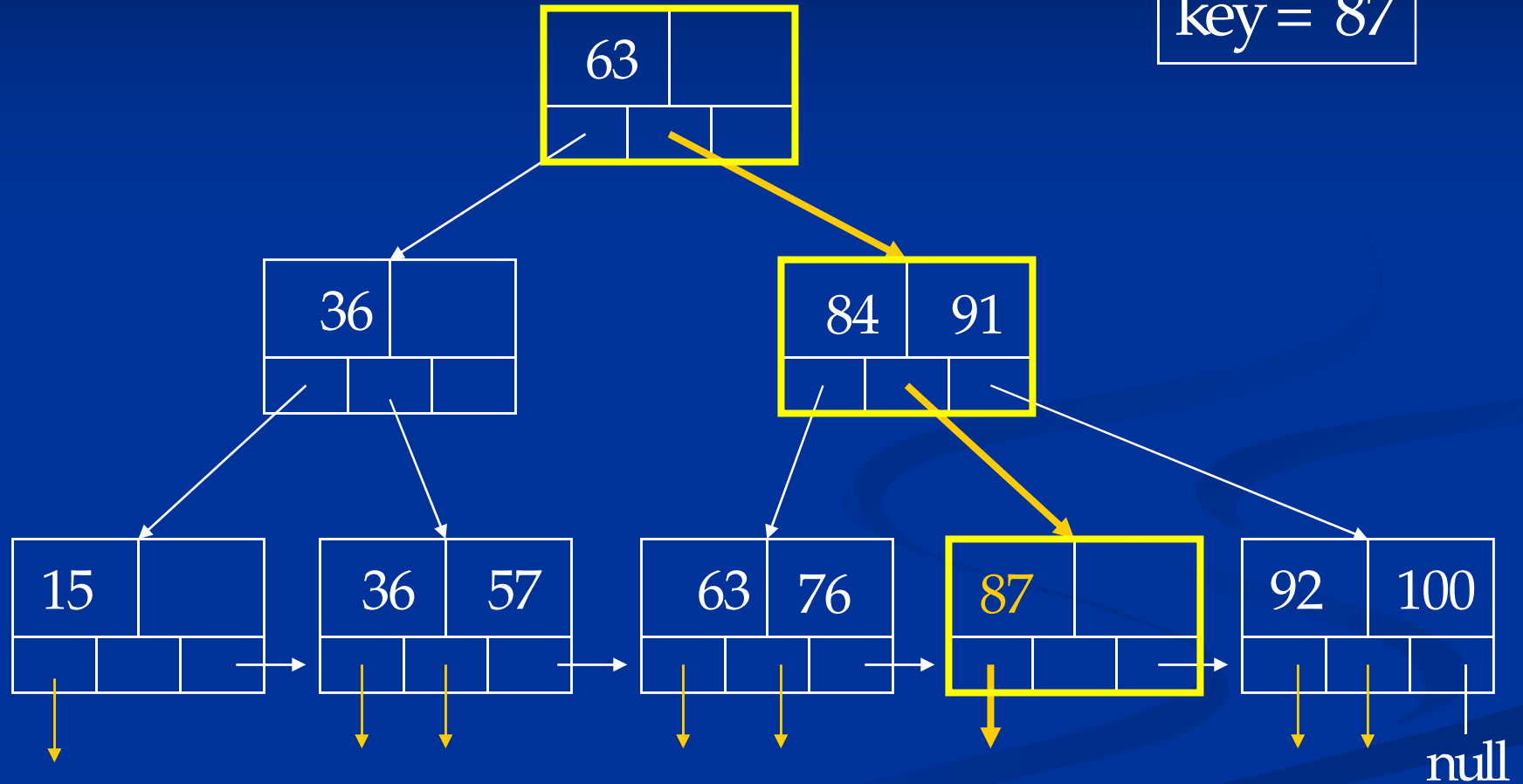
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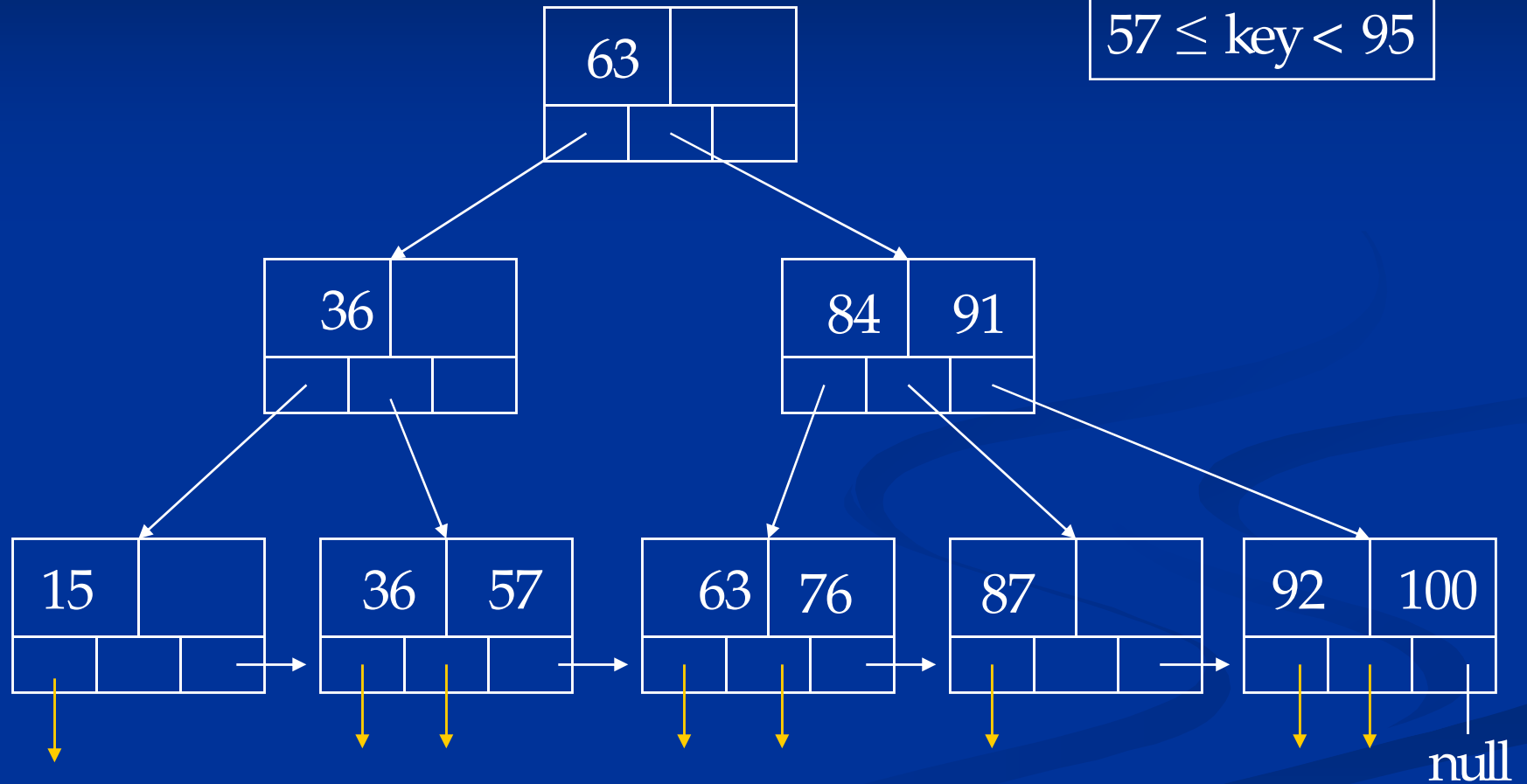
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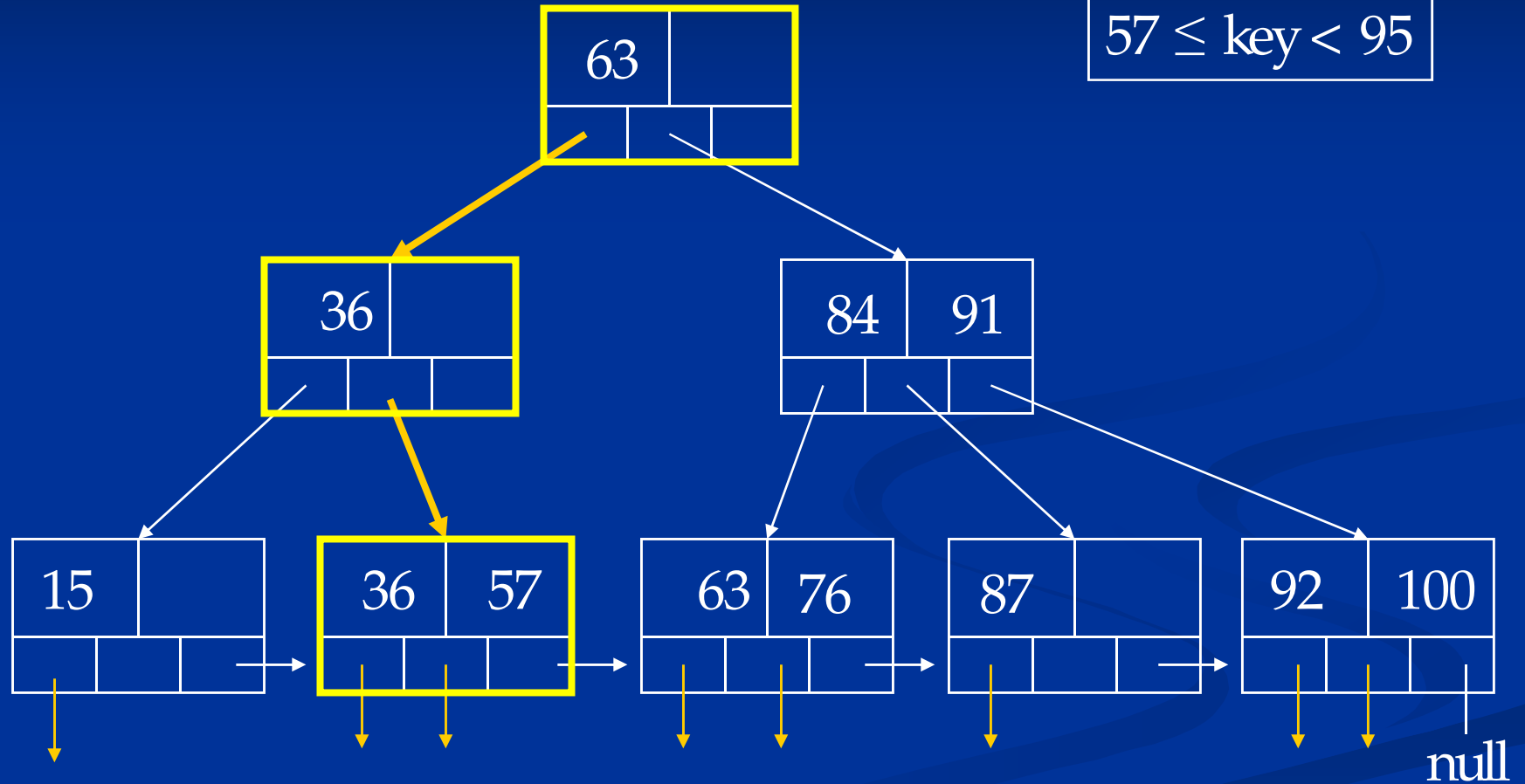
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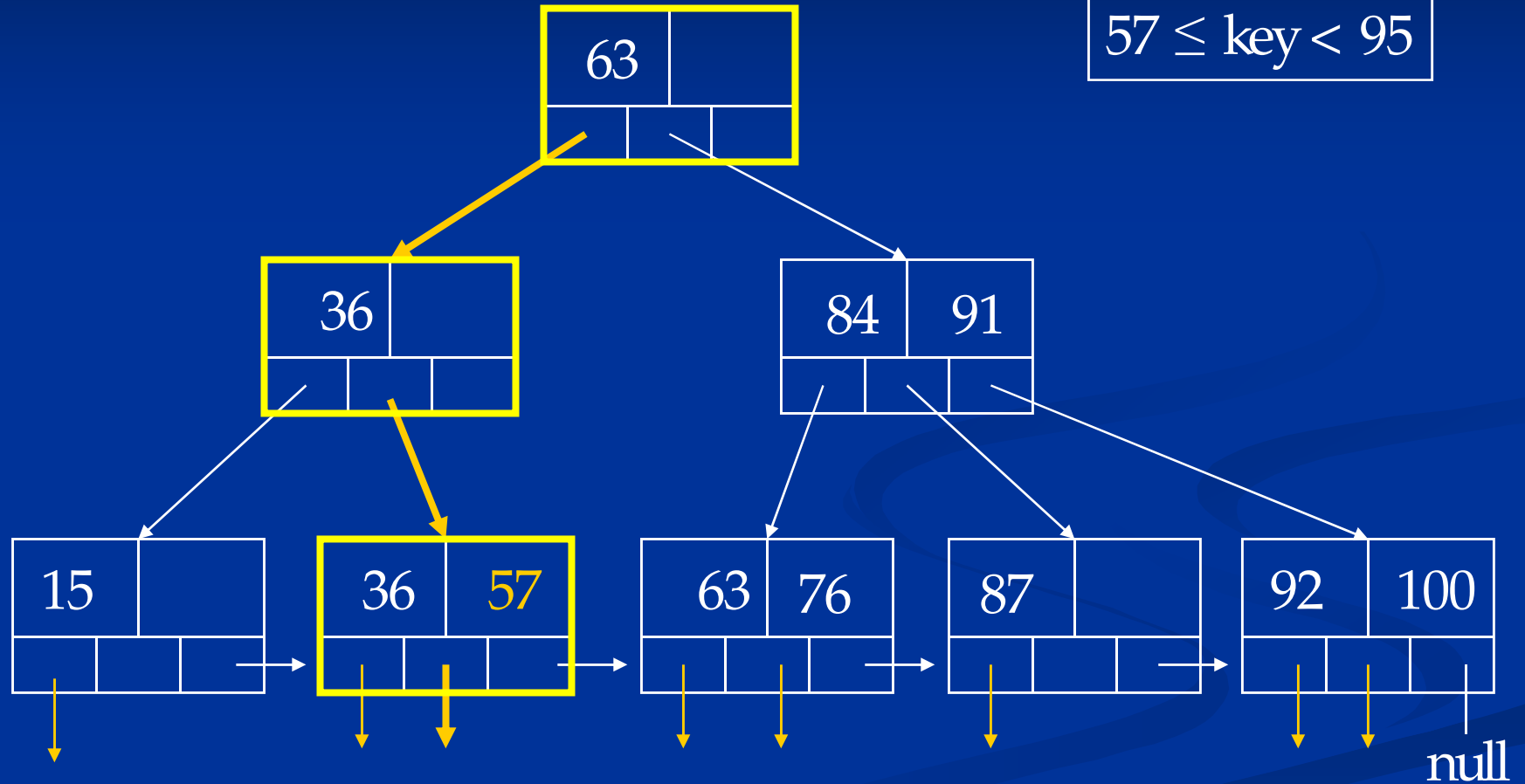
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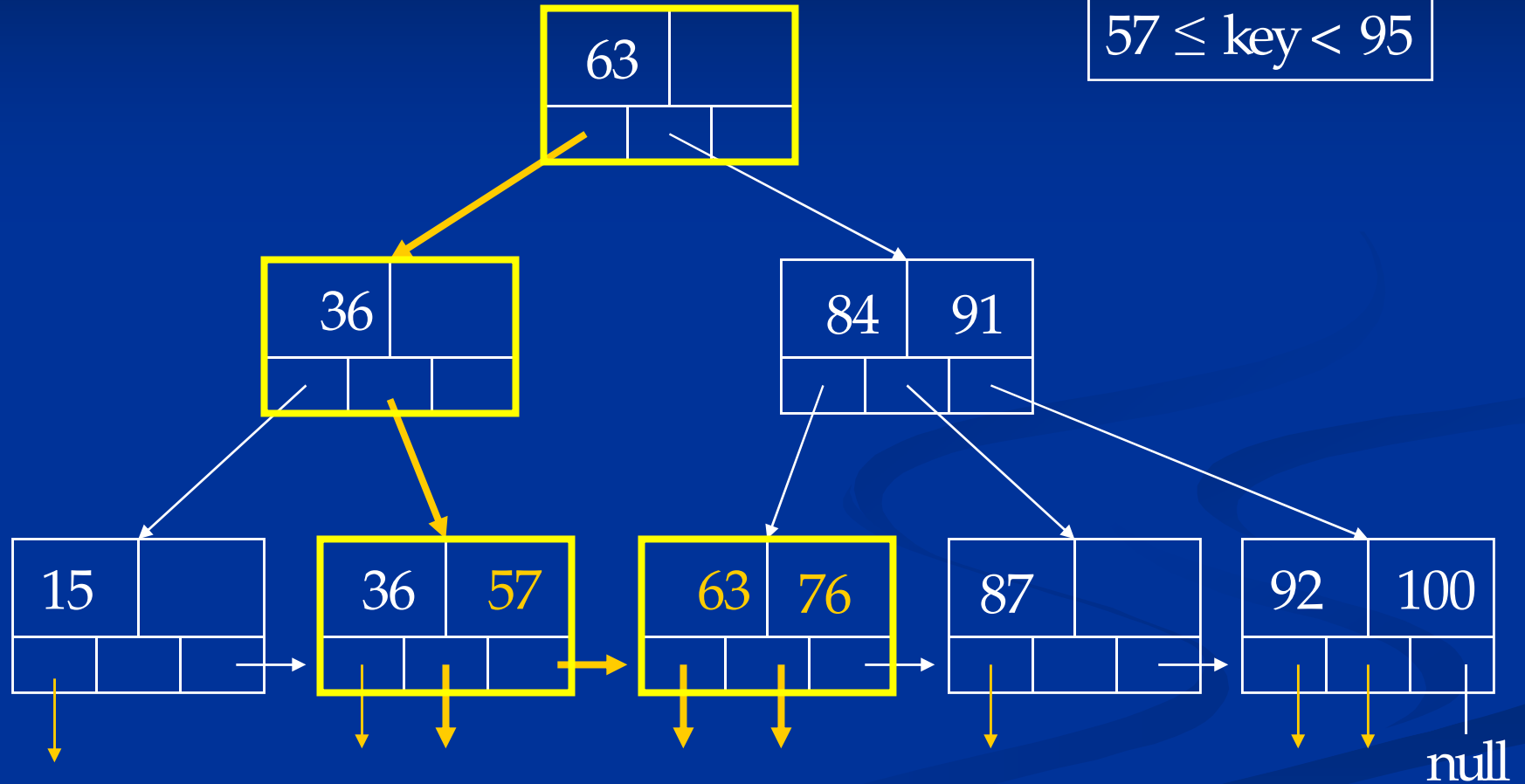
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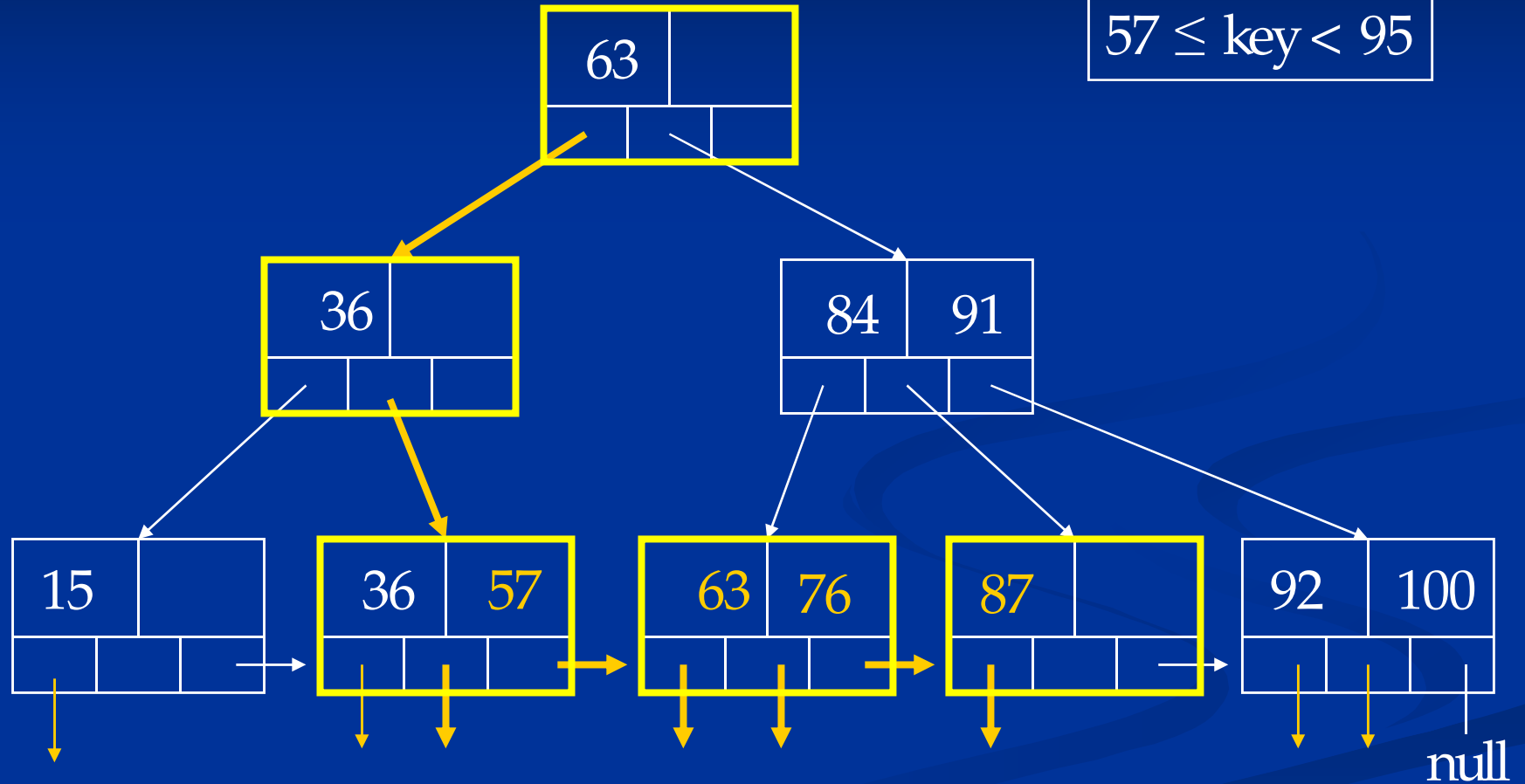
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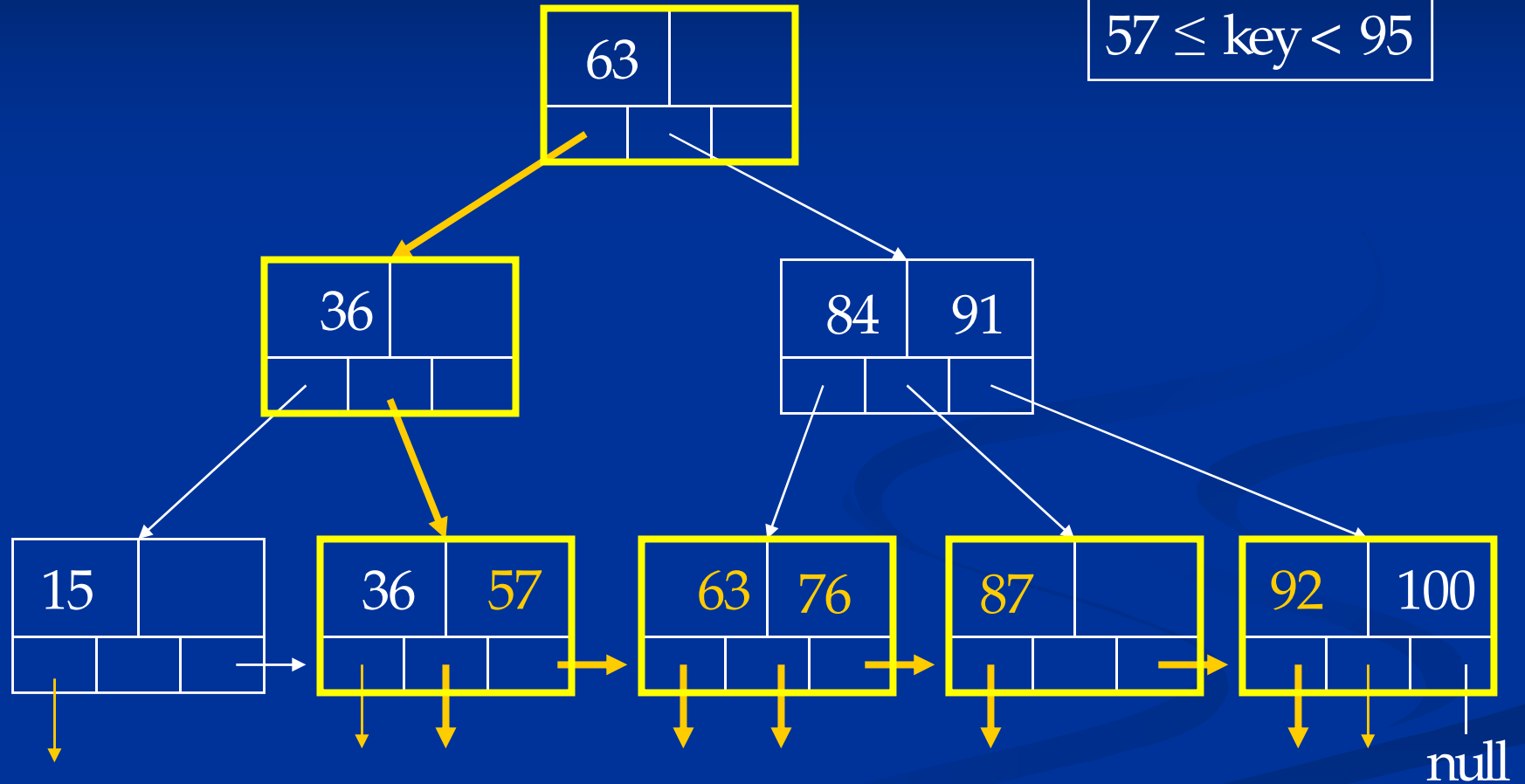
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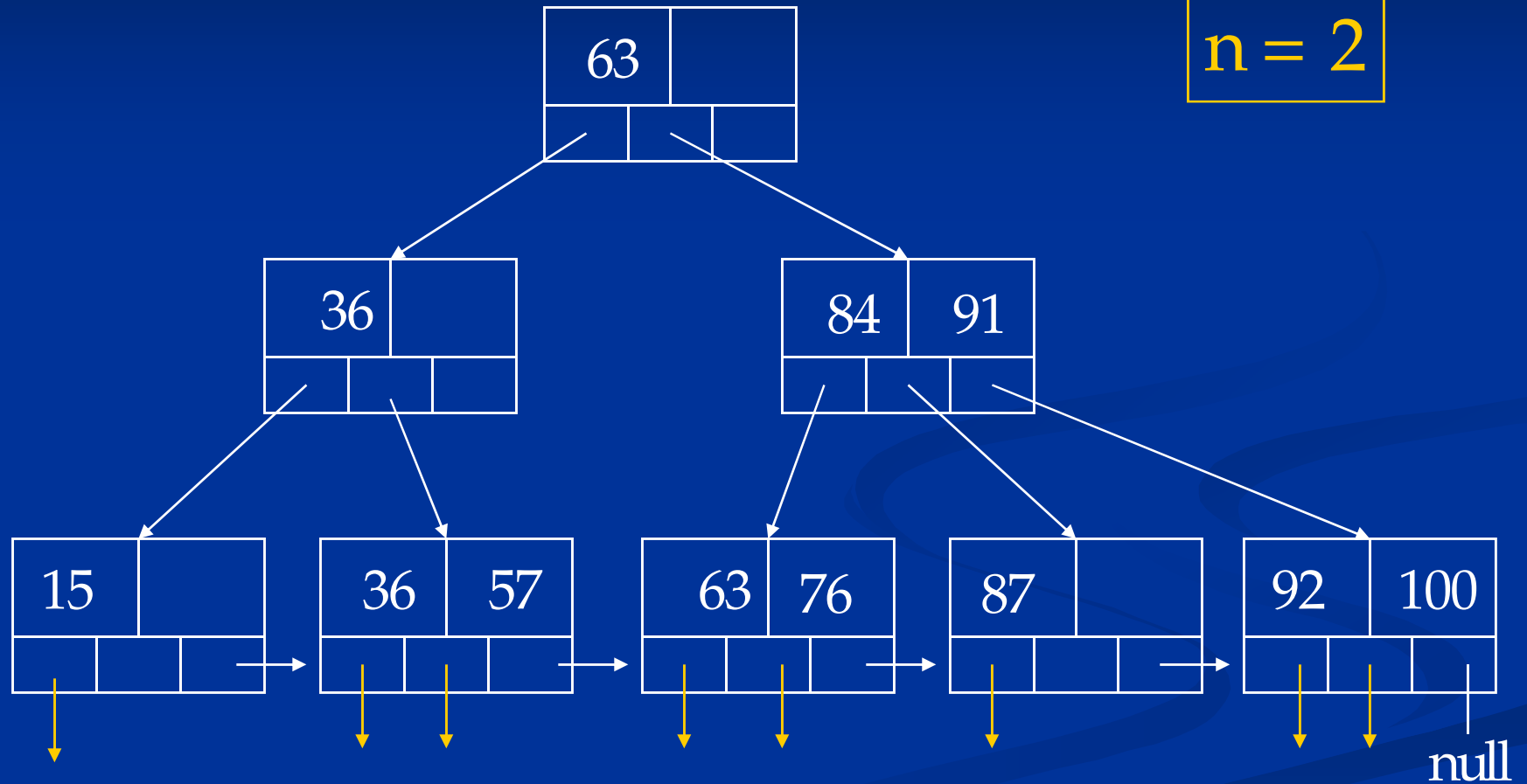


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- Fixed parameter:  $n$
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# B-Tree Example

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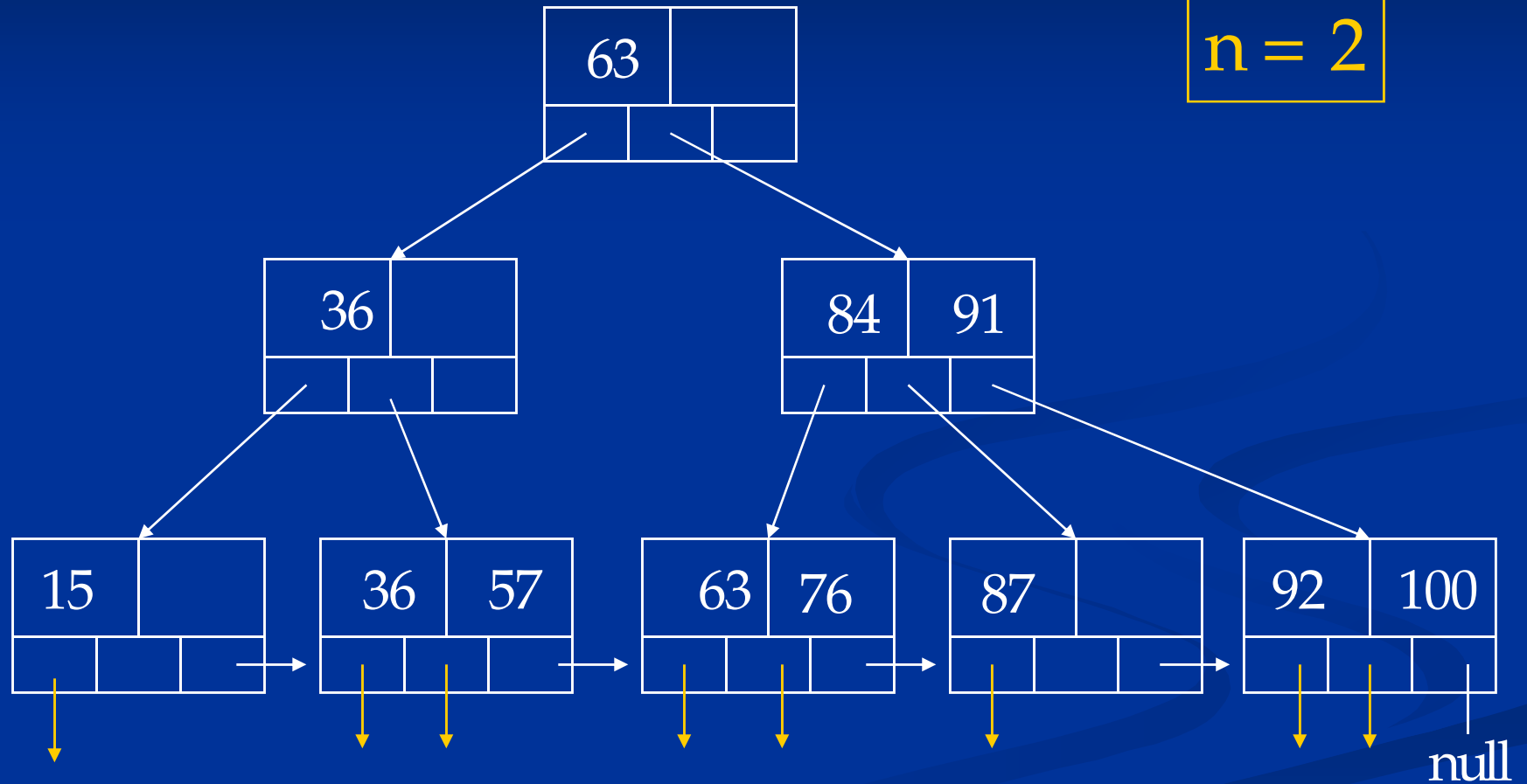


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- All (key, record pointer) in leaves

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# General B-Trees: Space related constraints

- Use at least

Root: 2 pointers

Internal:  $\lceil (n+1)/2 \rceil$  pointers

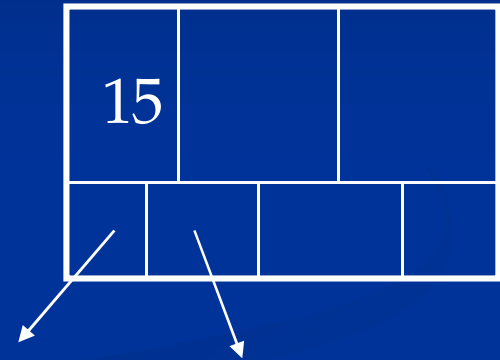
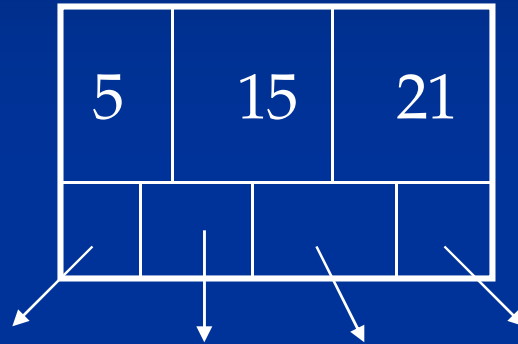
Leaf:  $\lfloor (n+1)/2 \rfloor$  pointers to data

n=3

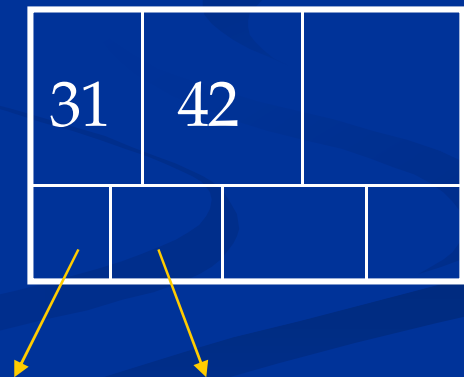
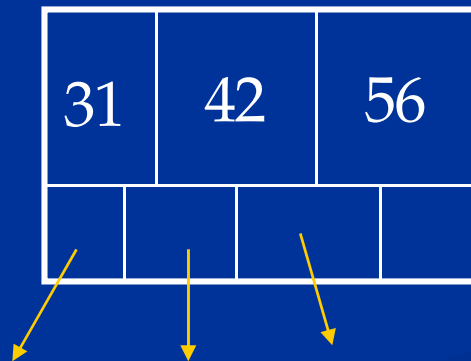
Max

Min

Internal



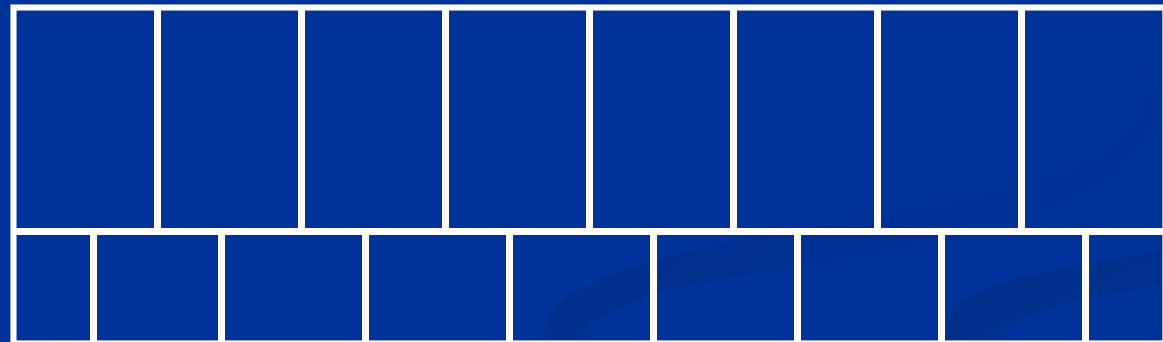
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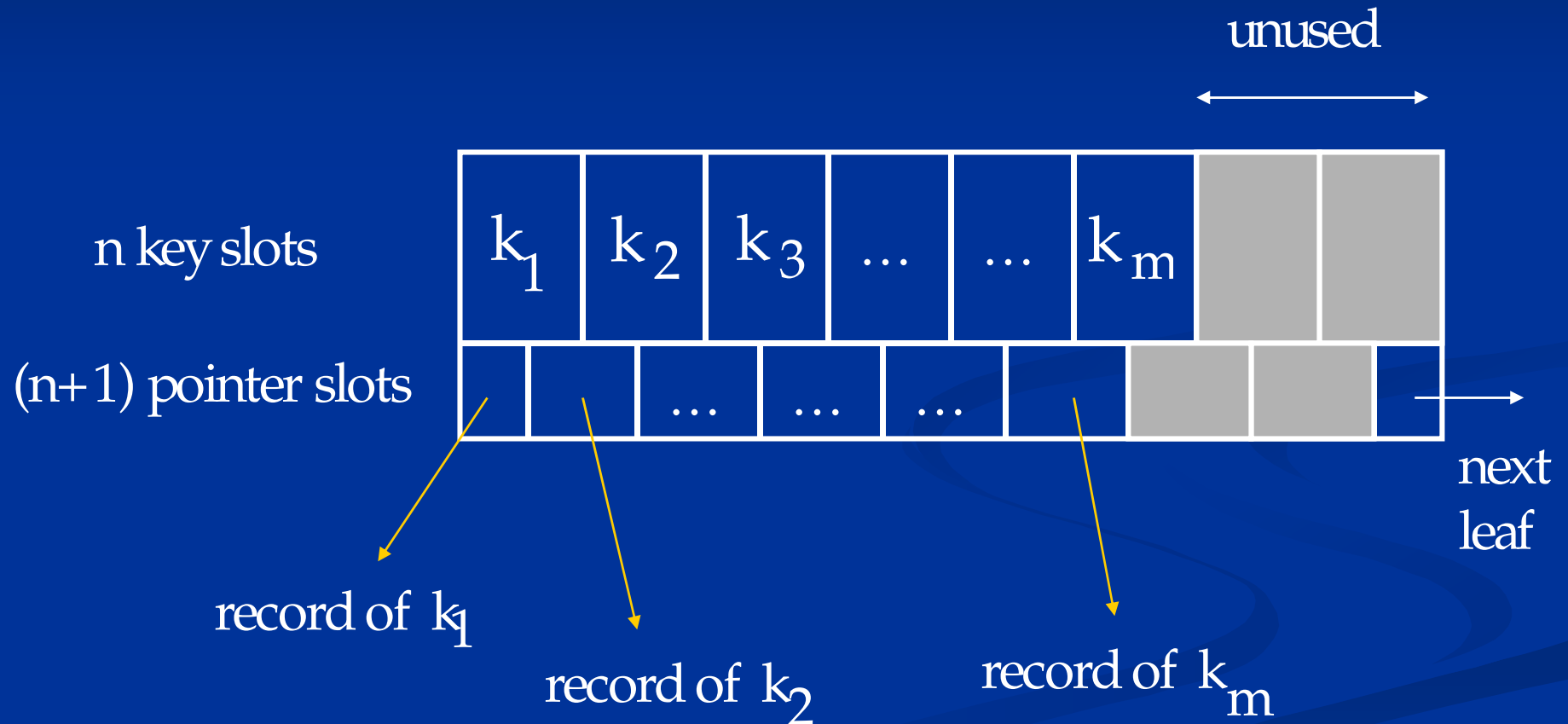
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n key slots

(n+1) pointer slots

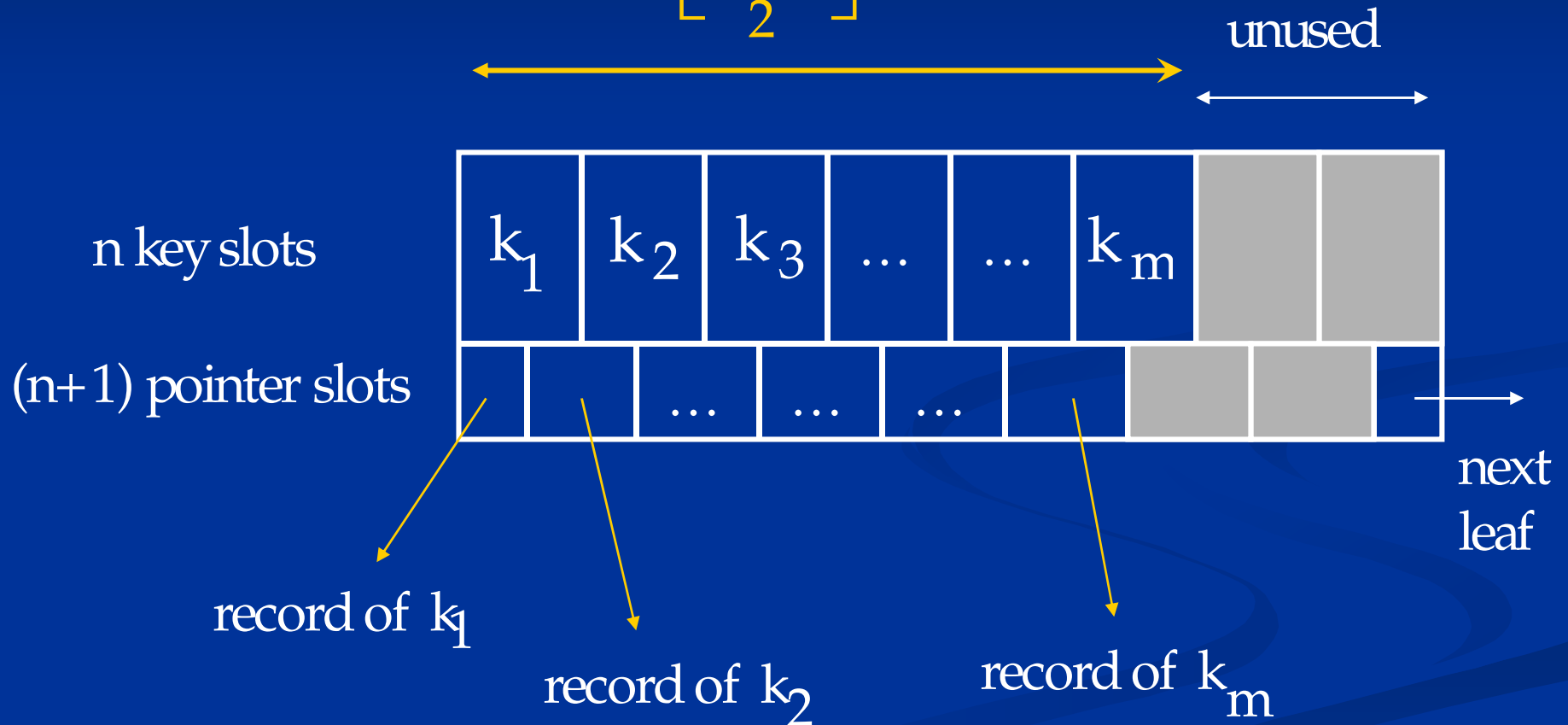


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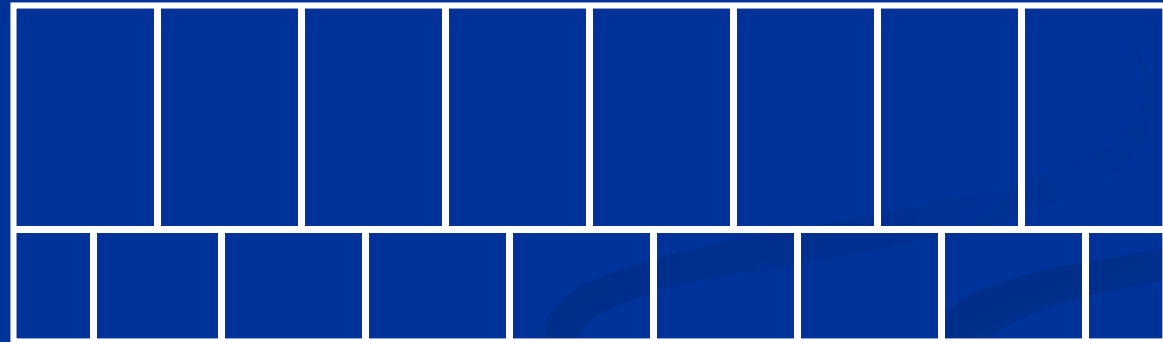
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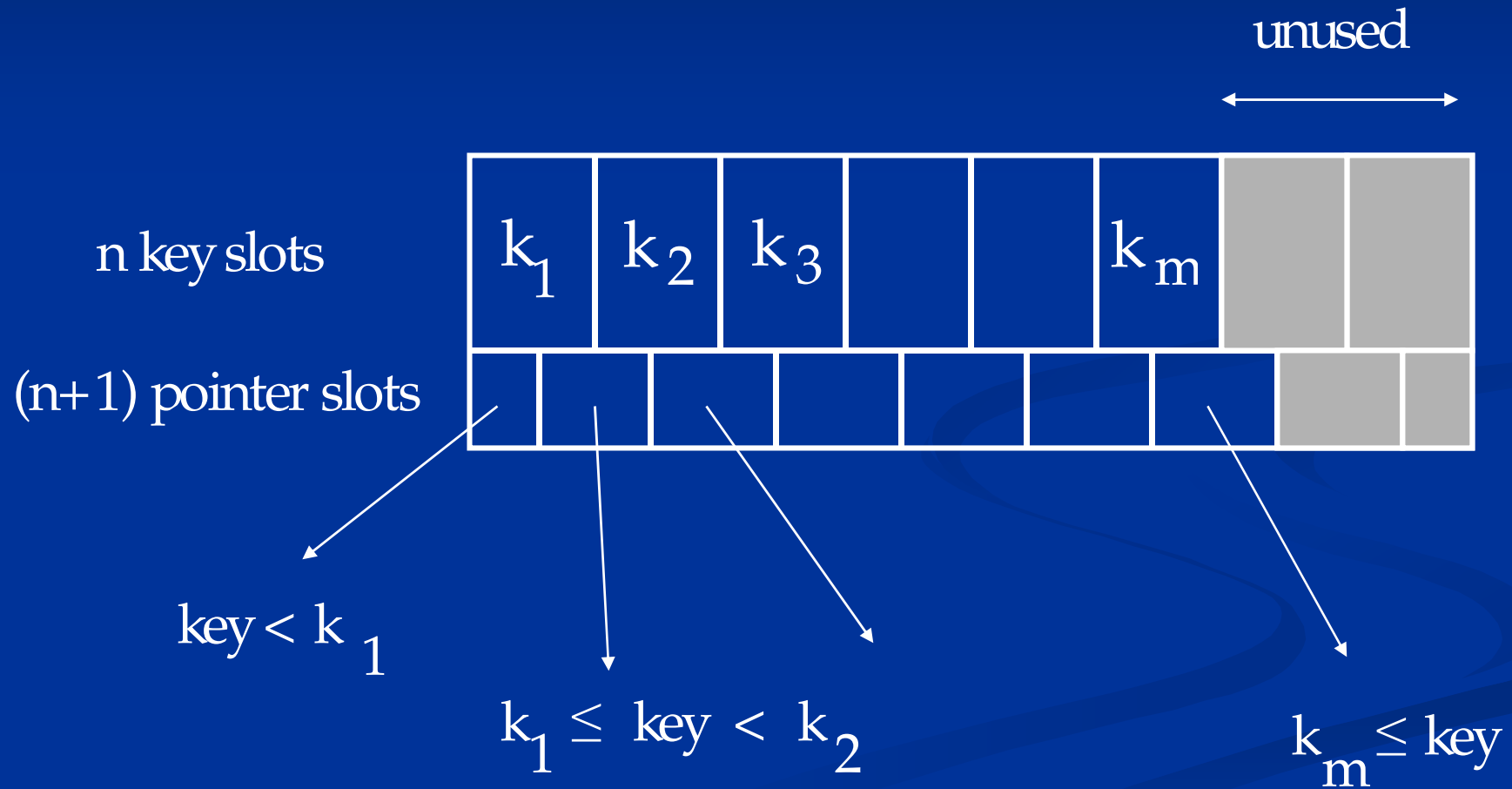
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n key slots



(n+1) pointer slots

key < k<sub>1</sub>

k<sub>1</sub> ≤ key < k<sub>2</sub>

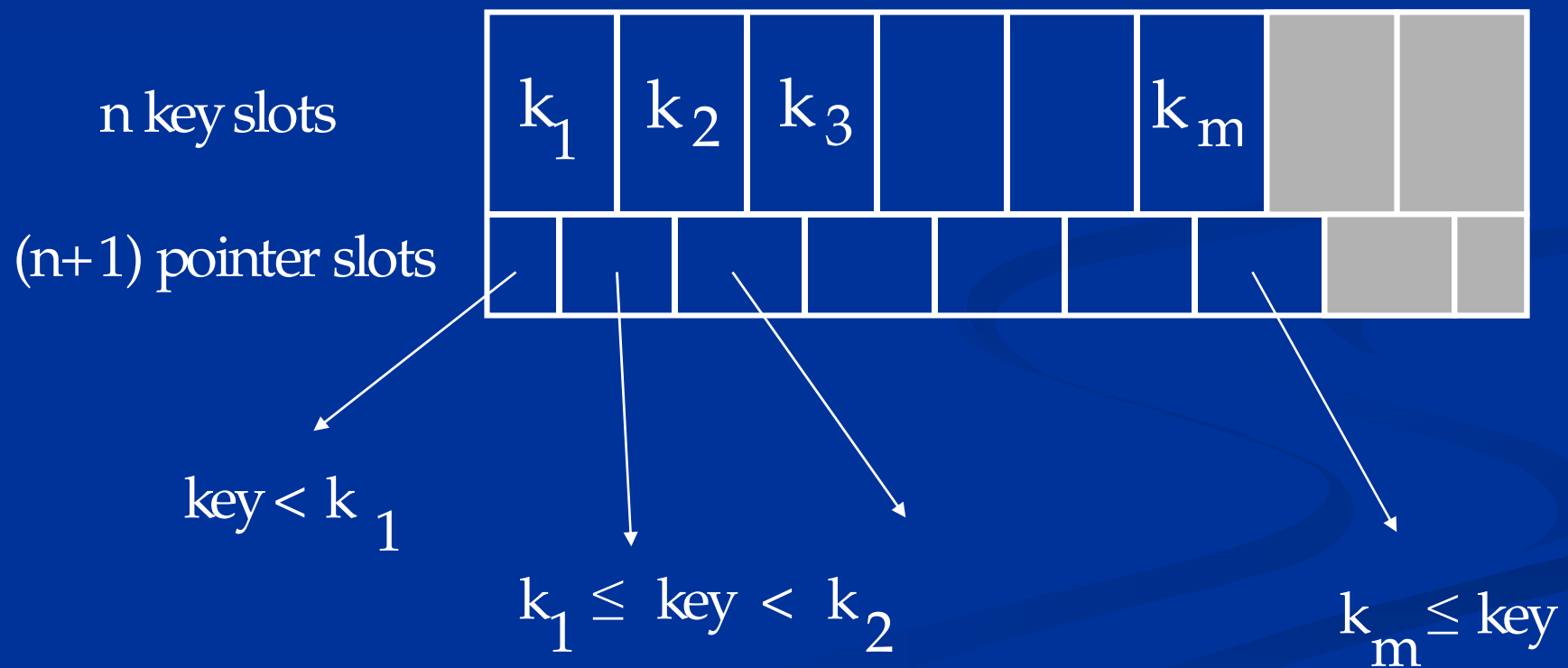
k<sub>m</sub> ≤ key



# Root Node

$$(m+1) \geq 2$$

unused



# Limits

- Why the specific limits  
 $\lceil (n+1)/2 \rceil$  and  $\lfloor (n+1)/2 \rfloor$ ?
- Why different limits for leaf and internal nodes?
- Can we reduce each limit?
- Can we increase each limit?
- What are the implications?