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INTERSECTIONS OF LINE SEGMENTS AND POLYGONS

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Based on [Berg], [Mount], [Kukral], and [Drtina]

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Talk overview

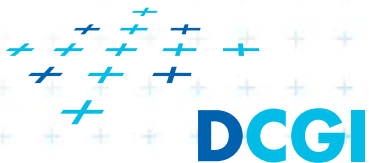
- Intersections of line segments (Bentley-Ottmann)
 - Motivation
 - Sweep line algorithm recapitulation
 - Sweep line intersections of line segments
- Intersection of polygons or planar subdivisions
 - See assignment [21] or [Berg, Section 2.3]
- Intersection of axis parallel rectangles
 - See assignment [26]



Geometric intersections – what are they for?

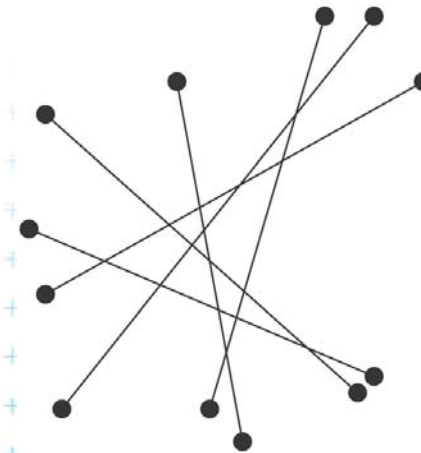
One of the most basic problems in computational geometry

- Solid modeling
 - Intersection of object boundaries in CSG
- Overlay of subdivisions, e.g. layers in GIS
 - Bridges on intersections of roads and rivers
 - Maintenance responsibilities (road network X county boundaries)
- Robotics
 - Collision detection and collision avoidance
- Computer graphics
 - Rendering via ray shooting (intersection of the ray with objects)
- ...



Line segment intersection

- Intersection of complex shapes is often reduced to simpler and simpler intersection problems
- **Line segment intersection** is the most basic intersection algorithm
- **Problem statement:**
Given n line segments in the plane, report all points where a pair of line segments intersect.
- **Problem complexity**
 - Worst case – $I = O(n^2)$ intersections
 - Practical case – only some intersections
 - Use an **output sensitive algorithm**
 - $O(n \log n + I)$ optimal randomized algorithm
 - $O(n \log n + I \log n)$ **sweep line algorithm** - %



[Berg]



Plane sweep line algorithm recapitulation

- Horizontal line (**sweep line**, *scan line*) ℓ moves top-down (or vertical line: left to right) over the set of objects
- The move is not continuous, but ℓ **jumps from one event point to another**
 - Event points are in **priority queue** or sorted list
 - The left-most event point is removed first
 - **New event points** may be created (usually as interaction of **neighbors** on the sweep line) and **inserted in the queue**
- **Scan-line status**
 - Stores information about the objects intersected by SL
 - It is updated while stopping on event point



Line segment intersection - Sweep line alg.

- Avoid testing of pairs of segments far apart
- Compute **intersections of neighbors** on the sweep line only
- $O(n \log n + I \log n)$ time in $O(n)$ memory
 $2n$ steps for end points, I steps for intersections, $\log n$ search the tree
- Ignore “nasty cases” (most of them will be solved later on)
 - No segment is parallel to a sweep line
 - Segments intersect in one point and do not overlap
 - No three segments meet in a common point



Line segment intersections

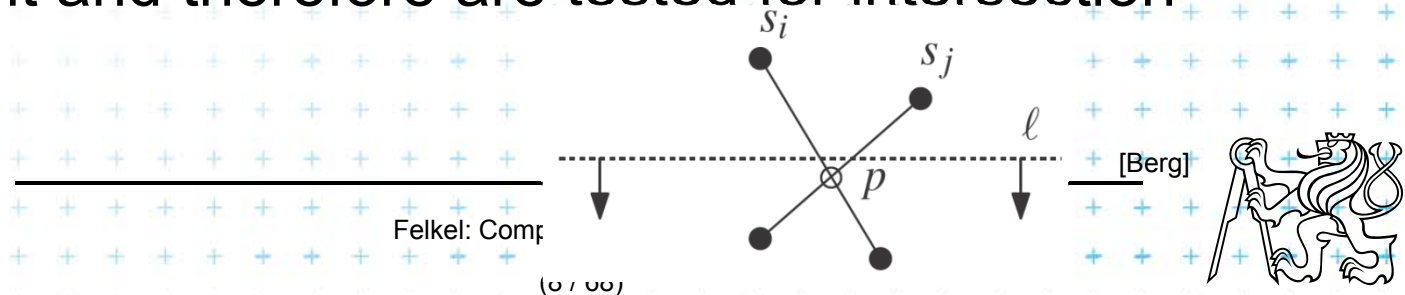
- *Status* = ordered sequence of segments intersecting the sweep line ℓ
- *Events* (waiting in the priority queue)
 - = points, where the algorithm actually does something
 - Segment *end-points*
 - known at algorithm start
 - Segment *intersections* between neighboring segments along SL
 - Discovered as the sweep executes



Detecting intersections

- Intersection events must be **detected** and inserted to the event queue **before they occur**
- Given two segments a, b intersecting in a point p , there must be a placement of sweep line ℓ prior to p , such that segments a, b are **adjacent along ℓ** (only adjacent will be tested for intersection)
 - segments a, b are not adjacent when the alg. starts
 - segments a, b are adjacent just before p

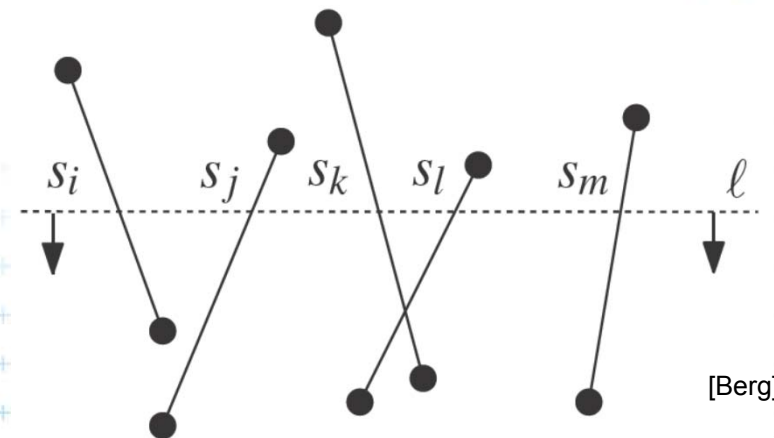
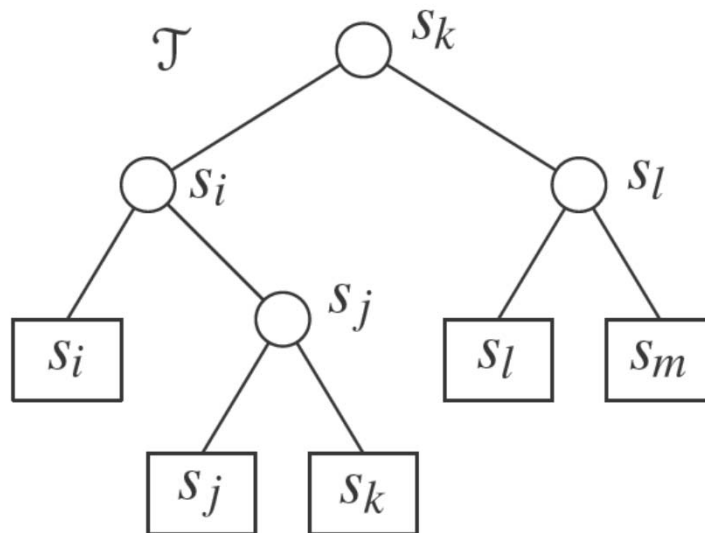
=> there must be an event point when a, b become adjacent and therefore are tested for intersection



Data structures

Sweep line ℓ **status** = order of segments along ℓ

- Balanced binary search tree of segments
- Coords of intersections with ℓ vary as ℓ moves
=> store pointers to line segments in tree nodes
 - Position of ℓ is plugged in the $y=mx+b$ to get the key



[Berg]



Data structures

Event queue (postupový plán, časový plán)

- Define: **Order** / (top-down, lexicographic)

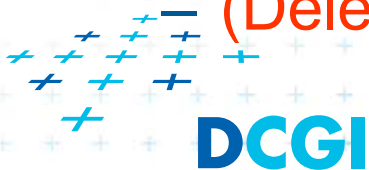
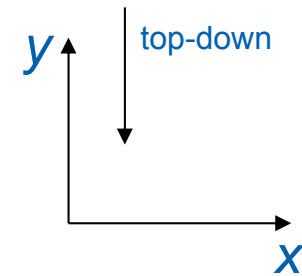
p / q iff $p_y > q_y$ or $p_y = q_y$ and $p_x < q_x$

top-down, left-right approach

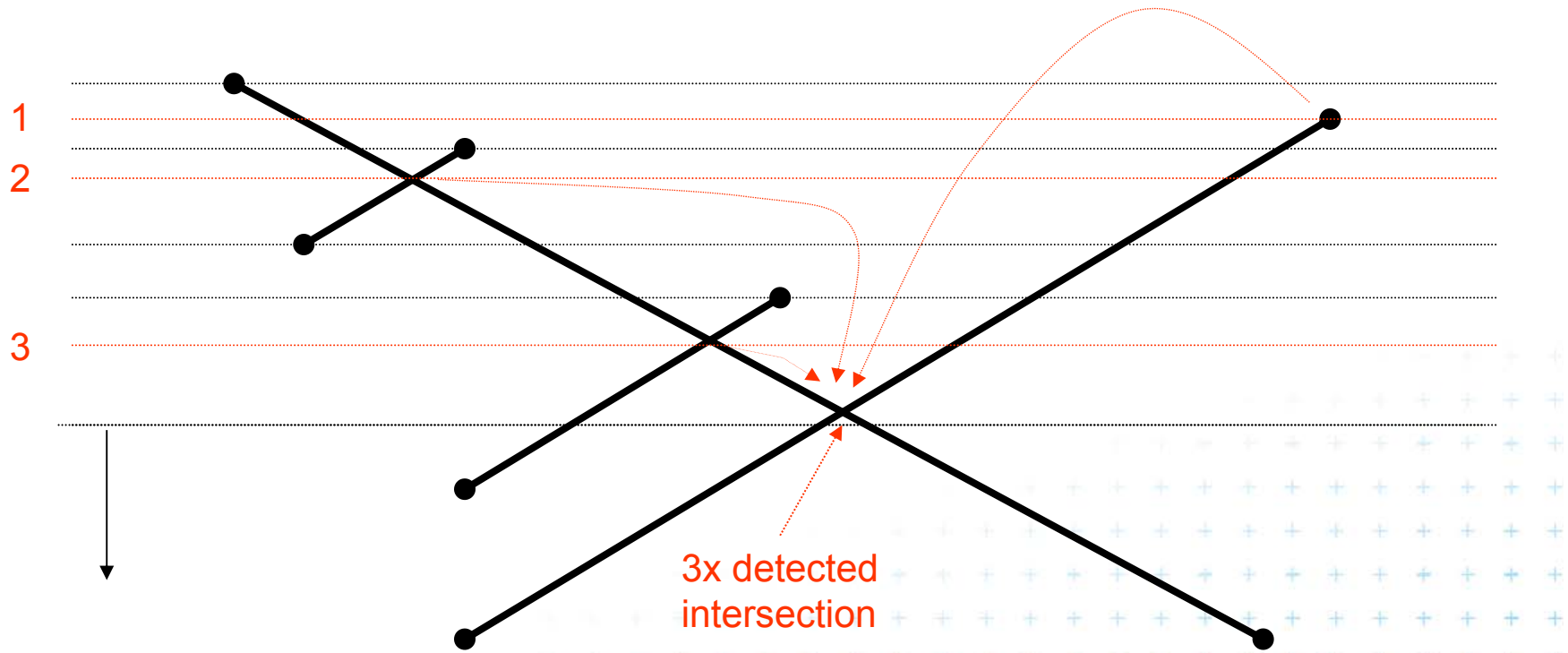
(points on ℓ treated left to right)

- Operations

- **Insertion** of computed intersection points
- Fetching the **next event** (highest y below ℓ)
- **Test**, if the segment is already **present in the queue**
- **Delete** intersection event in the queue



Problem with duplicities of intersections



Data structures

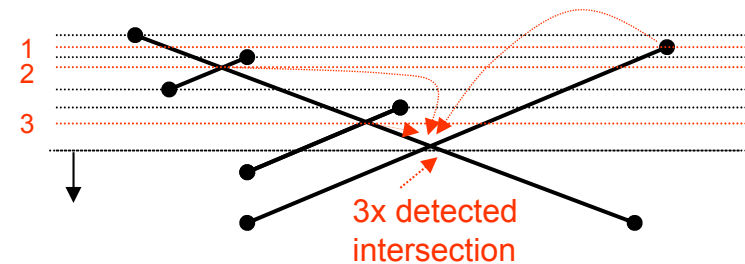
Event queue data structure

■ Heap

- Problem: can not check **duplicated intersection events** (reinvented more than once)
- Intersections processed twice or even more
- Memory complexity up to $O(n^2)$

■ Ordered dictionary (balanced binary tree)

- Can check duplicated events (adds just constant factor)
- Nothing inserted twice
- If non-neighbor intersections are deleted i.e., only intersection of neighbors is stored then memory complexity just $O(n)$



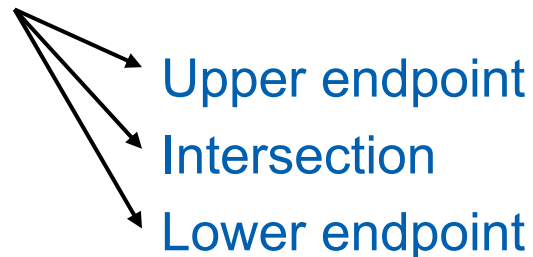
Line segment intersection algorithm

FindIntersections(S)

Input: A set S of line segments in the plane

Output: The set of intersection points + pointers to segments in each

1. init an empty event queue Q and insert the segment endpoints
2. init an empty status structure T
3. **while** Q in not empty
4. remove next event p from Q
5. handleEventPoint(p)

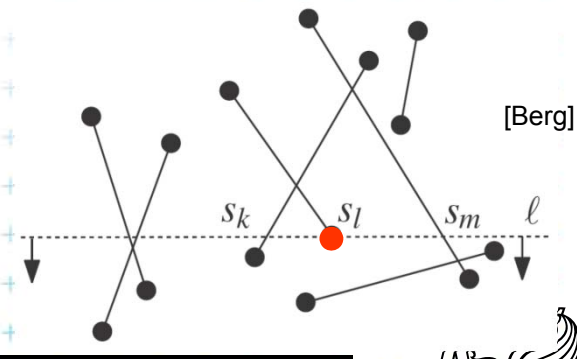
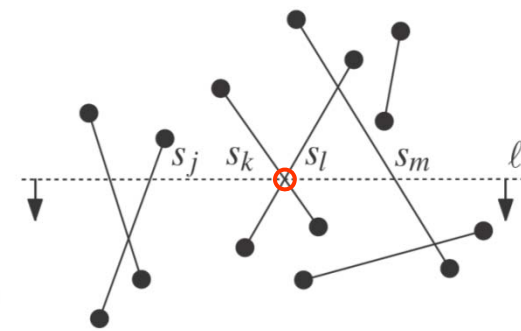
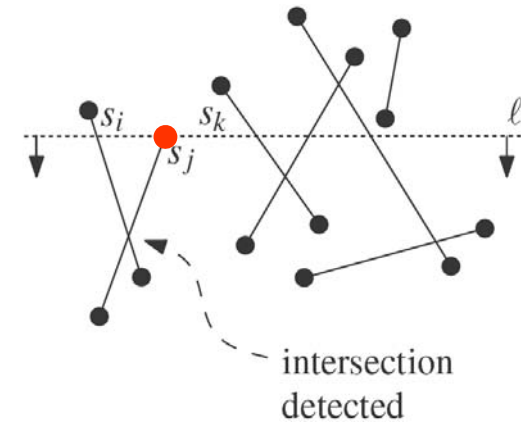


Note: Upper-end-point events store info about the segment

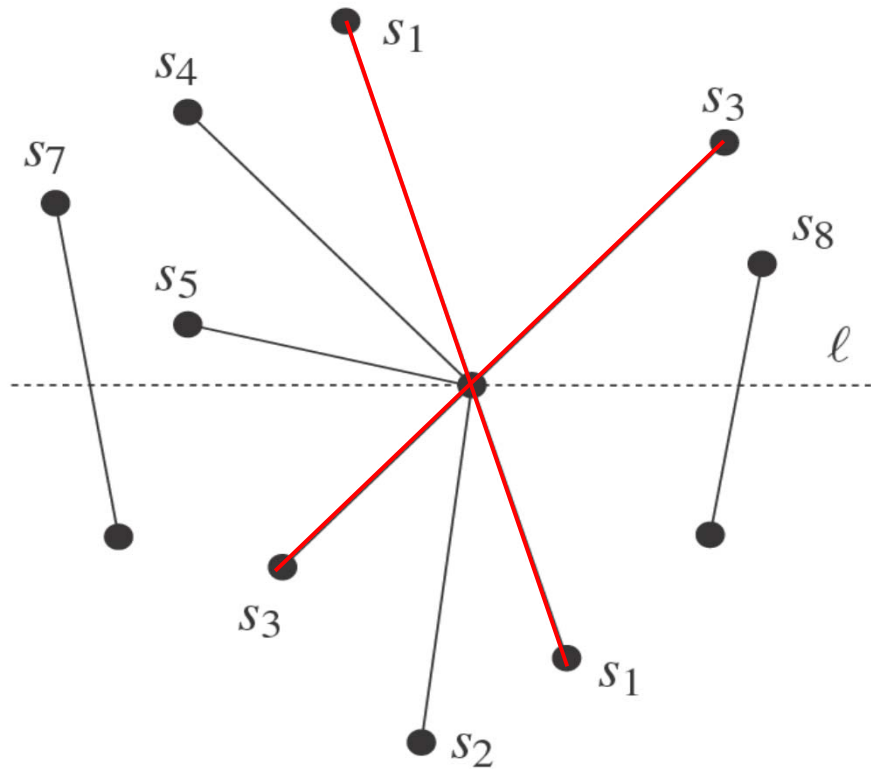


handleEventPoint principle

- Upper endpoint $U(p)$
 - insert p (on s_j) to status T
 - add intersections with left and right neighbors to Q
- Intersection $C(p)$
 - switch order of segments in T
 - add intersections of left and right neighbors to Q
- Lower endpoint $L(p)$
 - remove p (on s_l) from T
 - add intersections of left and right neighbors to Q






More than two segments incident

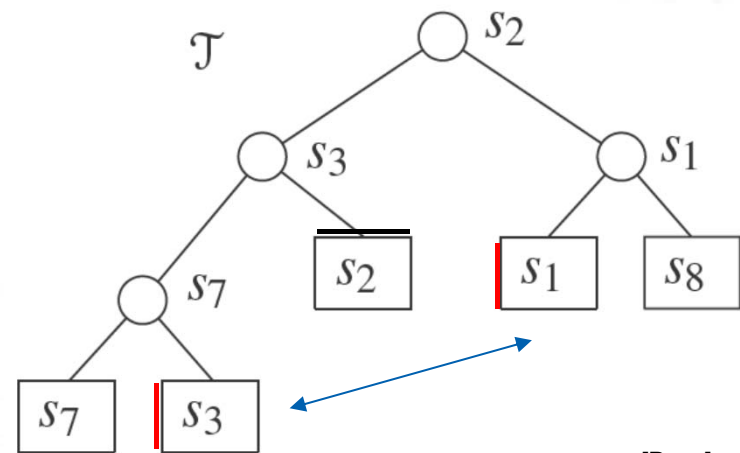
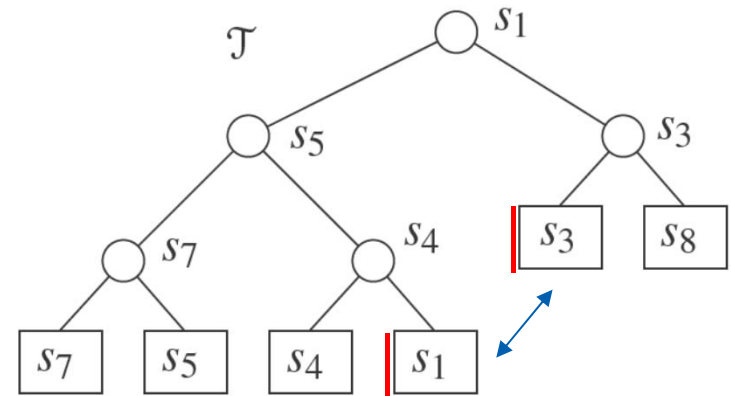


$$U(p) = \{s_2\}$$

$$C(p) = \{s_1, s_3\}$$

$$L(p) = \{s_4, s_5\}$$

-  start here
-  cross on ℓ
-  end here

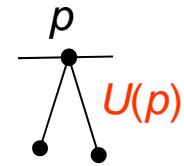


[Berg]



Handle Events [Berg, page 25]

handleEventPoint(p)

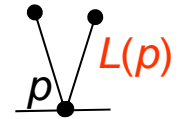


1. Let $U(p)$ = set of segments whose **Upper endpoint is p** .
 These segments are stored with the event point p (will be added to T)

2. **Search T** for all segments $S(p)$ that contain p (are adjacent in T):

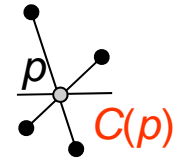
Let $L(p) \subseteq S(p)$ = segments whose **Lower endpoint is p**

Let $C(p) \subseteq S(p)$ = segments that **Contains p in interior**



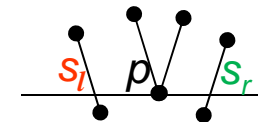
3. **if** ($L(p) \cup U(p) \cup C(p)$ contains more than one segment)

4. **report p as intersection** together with $L(p), U(p), C(p)$



5. Delete the segments in $L(p) \cup C(p)$ from T }
 6. Insert the segments in $U(p) \cup C(p)$ into T } **Reverse order of $C(p)$ in T**

(order as below ℓ , horizontal segment as the last)



7. **if** ($U(p) \cup C(p) = \emptyset$) then **findNewEvent**(s_l, s_r, p) // left & right neighbors

8. **else** s' = leftmost segment of $U(p) \cup C(p)$; **findNewEvent**(s_l, s', p)

s'' = rightmost segment of $U(p) \cup C(p)$; **findNewEvent**(s'', s_r, p)



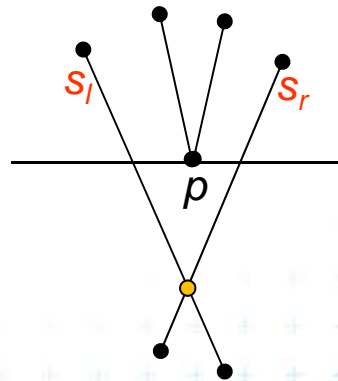
Detection of new intersections

findNewEvent(s_l, s_r, p) // with handling of horizontal segments

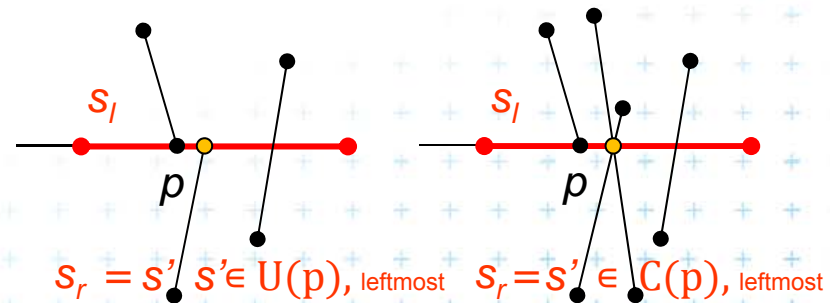
Input: two segments (left & right from p in T) and a current event point p

Output: updated event queue Q with new intersection

1. if [(s_l and s_r intersect below the sweep line ℓ) or
 (intersect on ℓ and to the right of p)] and // horizontal segments
 (the intersection is not present in Q)
2. then
 insert p as an event into Q



s_l and s_r intersect below



s_l and $s_r = s'$ intersect on ℓ

and to the right of p



Line segment intersections

- Memory $O(I) = O(n^2)$ with duplicities in Q
or $O(n)$ with duplicities in Q deleted
- Operational complexity
 - $n + I$ stops
 - $\log n$ each
 - $\Rightarrow O(I + n) \log n$ total
- The algorithm is by Bentley-Ottmann

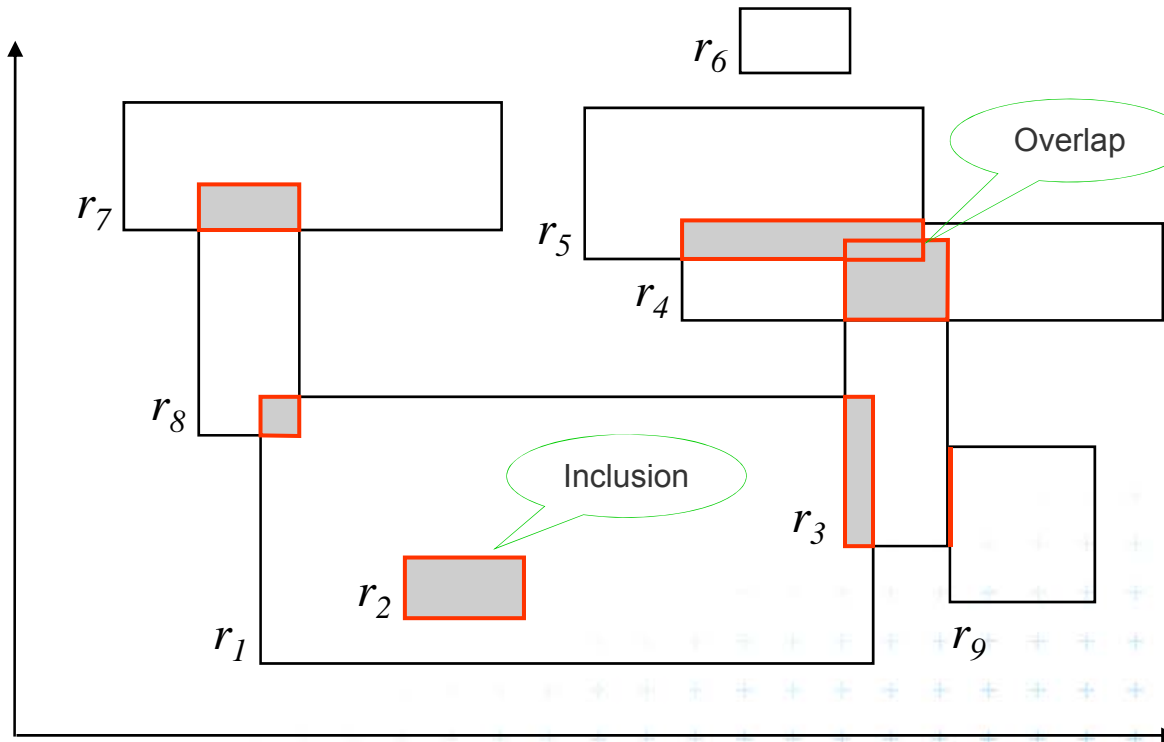
Bentley, J. L.; Ottmann, T. A. (1979), "Algorithms for reporting and counting geometric intersections", *IEEE Transactions on Computers* **C-28** (9): 643-647, doi:10.1109/TC.1979.1675432 .

See also http://wopedia.mobi/en/Bentley%E2%80%93Ottmann_algorithm



Intersection of axis parallel rectangles

- Given the collection of n *isothetic* rectangles, report all intersecting parts



Alternate sides
belong to two
pencils of lines
(trsy přímek)
(often used with
points in infinity
= axis parallel)

Answer: $(r_1, r_2) (r_1, r_3) (r_1, r_8) (r_3, r_4) (r_3, r_5) (r_3, r_9) (r_4, r_5) (r_7, r_8)$



Brute force intersection

Brute force algorithm

Input: set S of axis parallel rectangles

Output: pairs of intersected rectangles

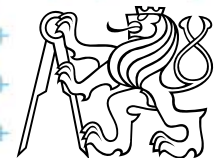
1. For every pair (r_i, r_j) of rectangles $\in S, i \neq j$
2. if $(r_i \cap r_j \neq \emptyset)$ then
3. report (r_i, r_j)

Analysis

Preprocessing: None.

Query: $O(N^2)$ $\binom{N}{2} = \frac{N(N-1)}{2} \in O(N^2)$.

Storage: $O(N)$

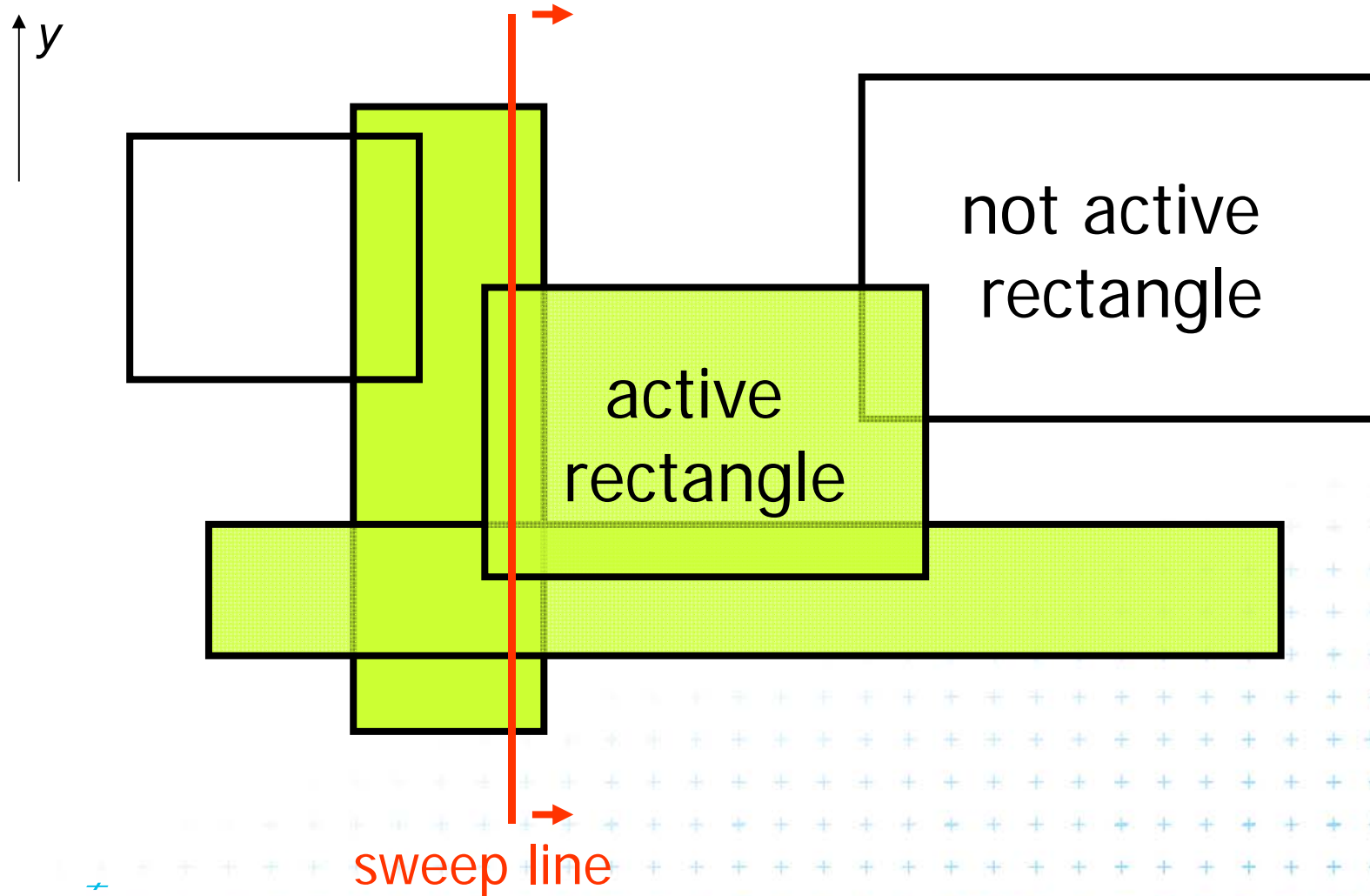


Plane sweep intersection algorithm

- Vertical sweep line moves from left to right
- Stops at every x-coordinate of a rectangle (either its left side or its right side).
- **active rectangles** – a set
= rectangles currently intersecting the sweep line
 - **left side** event of a rectangle
=> the rectangle is **added** to the active set.
 - **right side**
=> the rectangle is **deleted** from the active set.
- The active set used to detect rectangle intersection

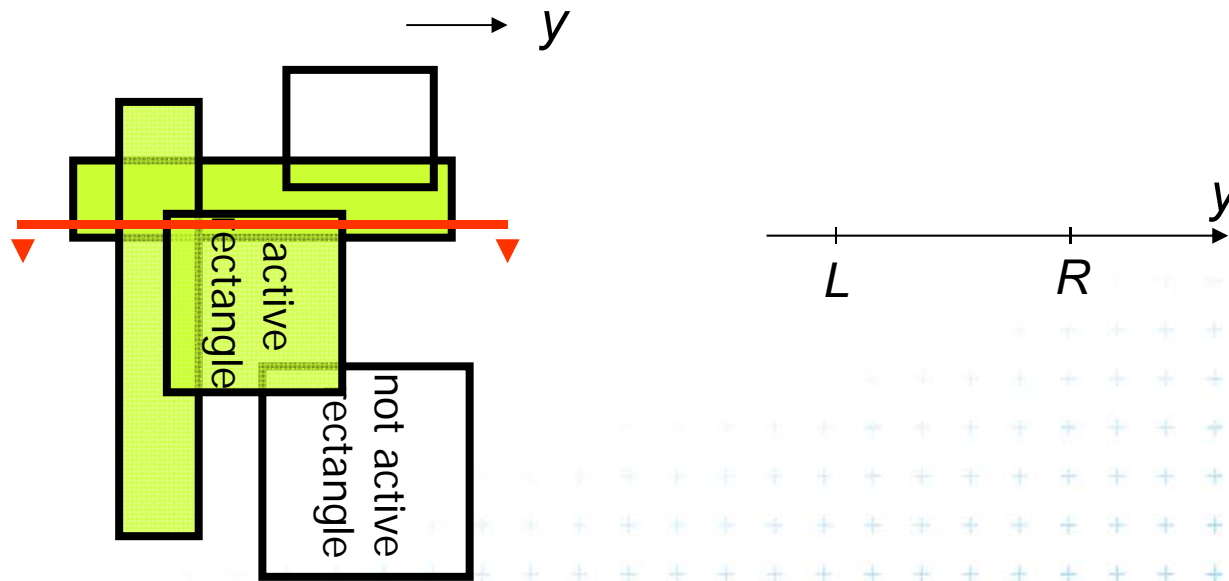


Example rectangles and sweep line



Interval tree as sweep line status structure

- Vertical sweep-line => Only y -coordinates along it
- Turn our view in slides 90° right
- Sweep line (y -axis) will be drawn as horizontal



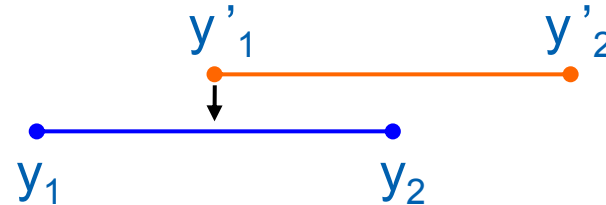
sweep line [Drtina]



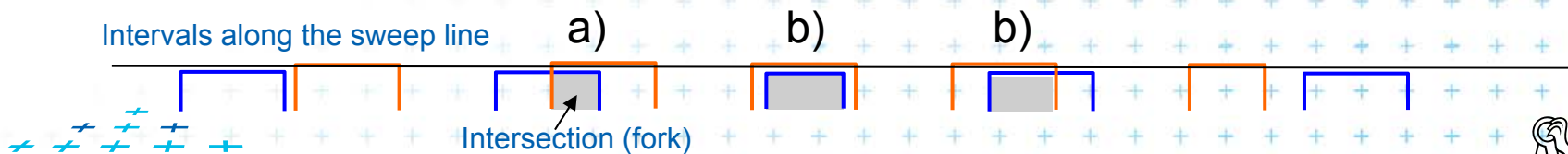
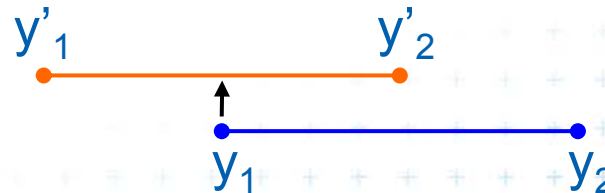
Intersection test – between pair of intervals

- Given two intervals $R = [y_1, y_2]$ and $R' = [y'_1, y'_2]$ the condition $R \cap R'$ is equivalent to one of these mutually exclusive conditions:

a) $y_1 < y'_1 < y_2$

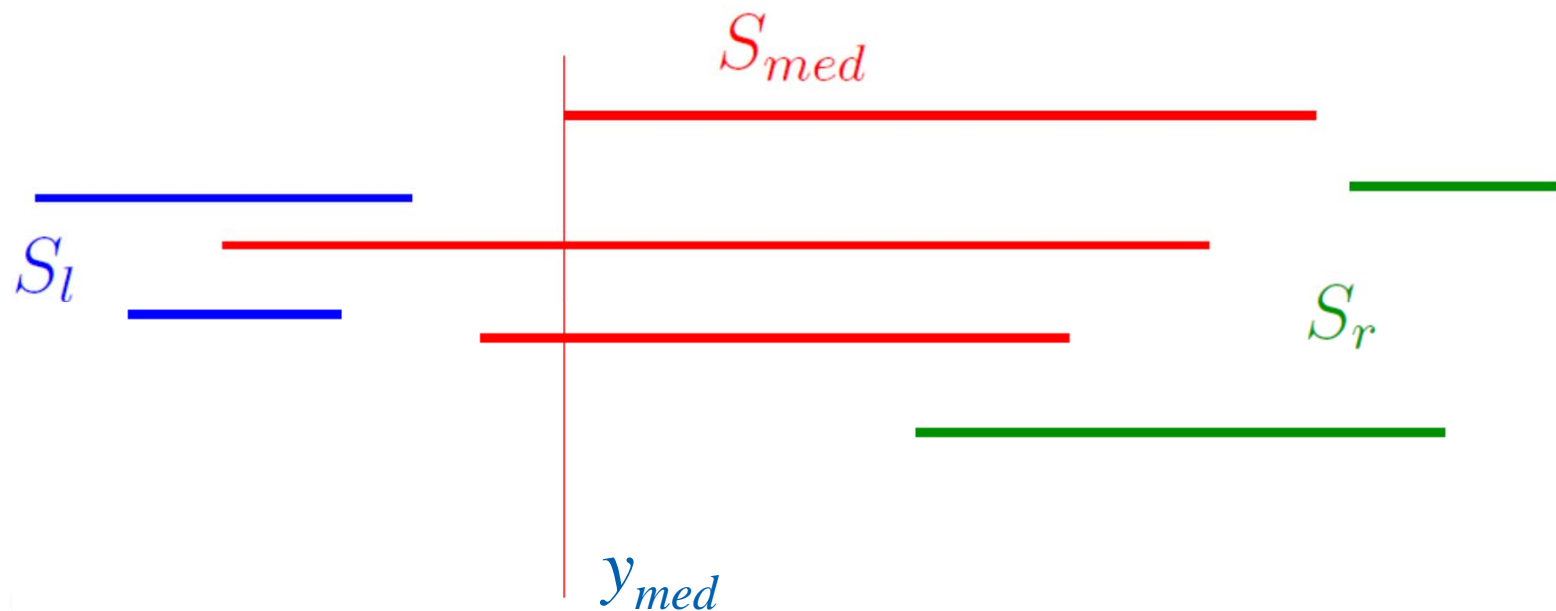


b) $y'_1 < y_1 < y'_2$

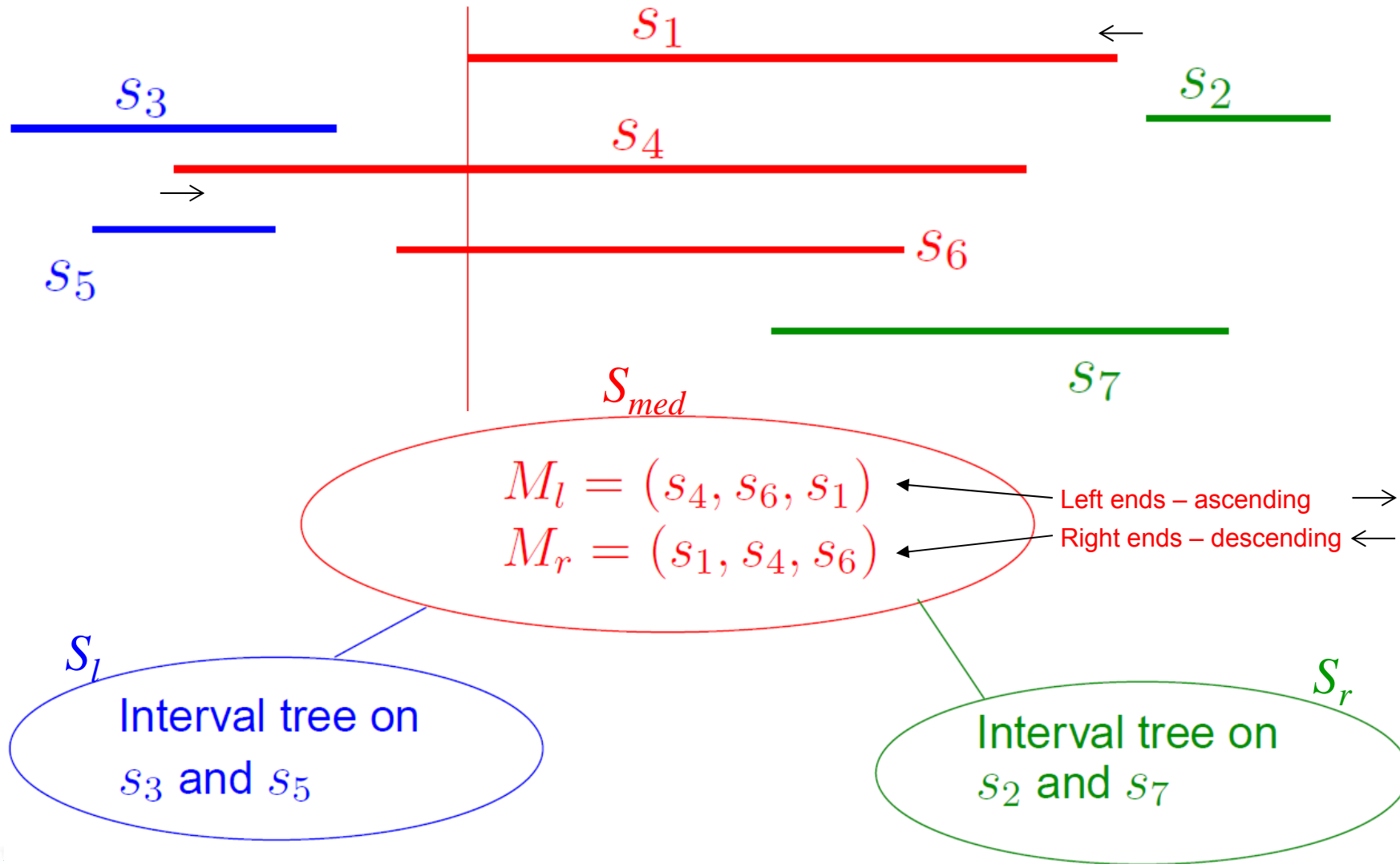


Static interval tree – stores all end points

- Let $v = y_{med}$ be the **median of end-points** of segments
- S_l : segments of S that are completely to the **left of** y_{med}
- S_{med} : segments of S that **contain** y_{med}
- S_r : segments of S that are completely to the **right of** y_{med}

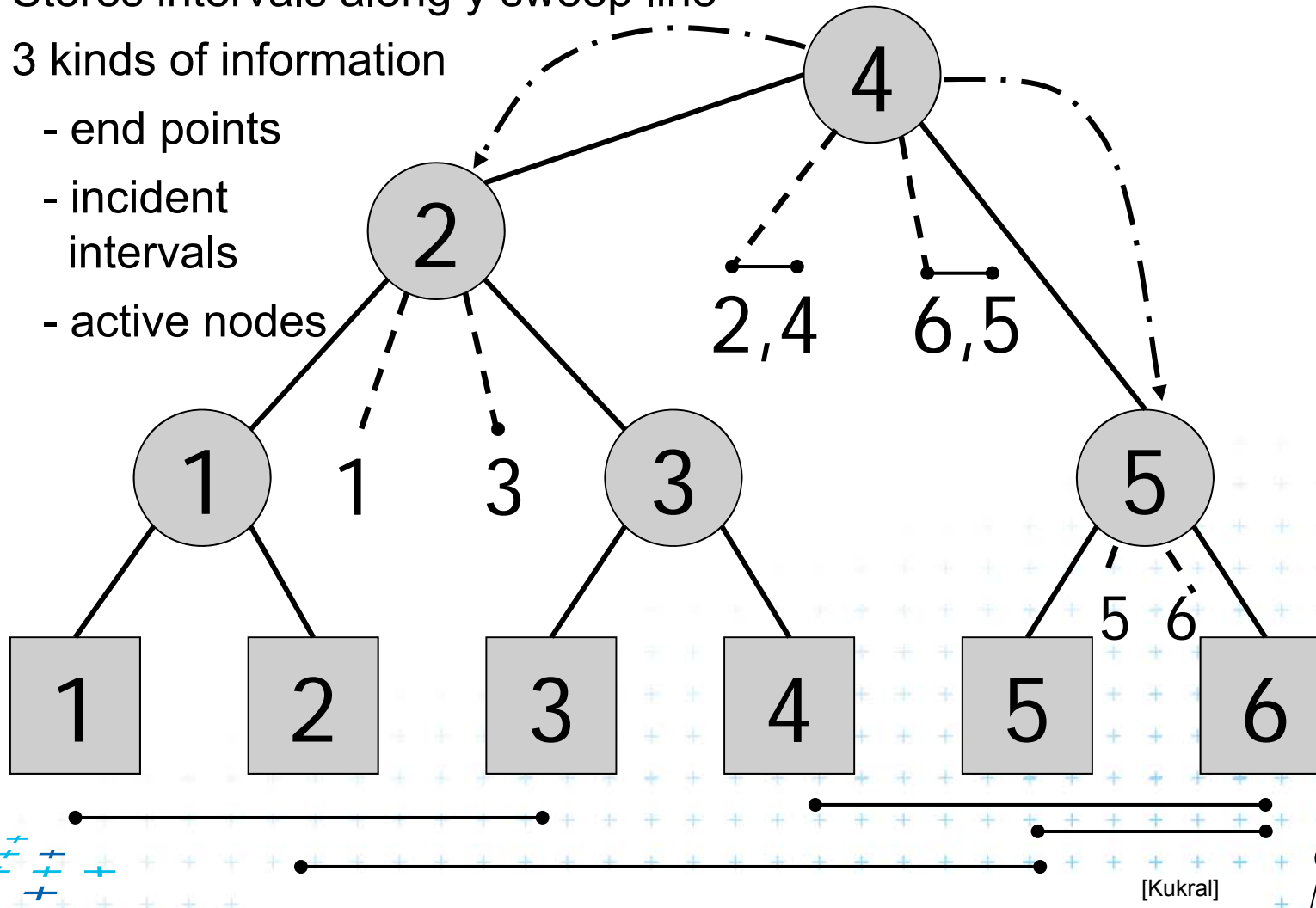


Static interval tree – Example



Static interval tree [Edelsbrunner80]

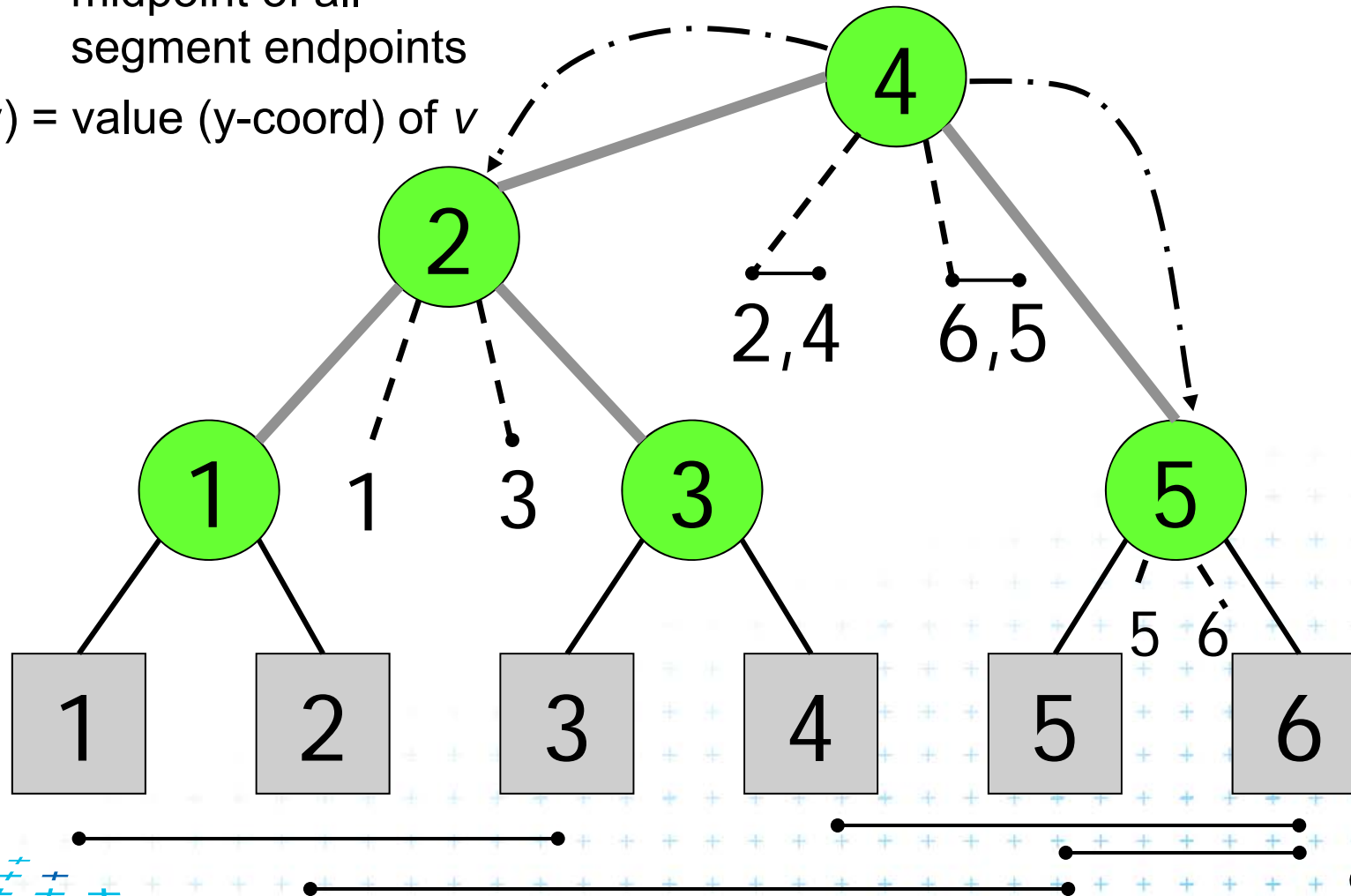
- Stores intervals along y sweep line
- 3 kinds of information
 - end points
 - incident intervals
 - active nodes



Primary structure – static tree for endpoints

v = midpoint of all
segment endpoints

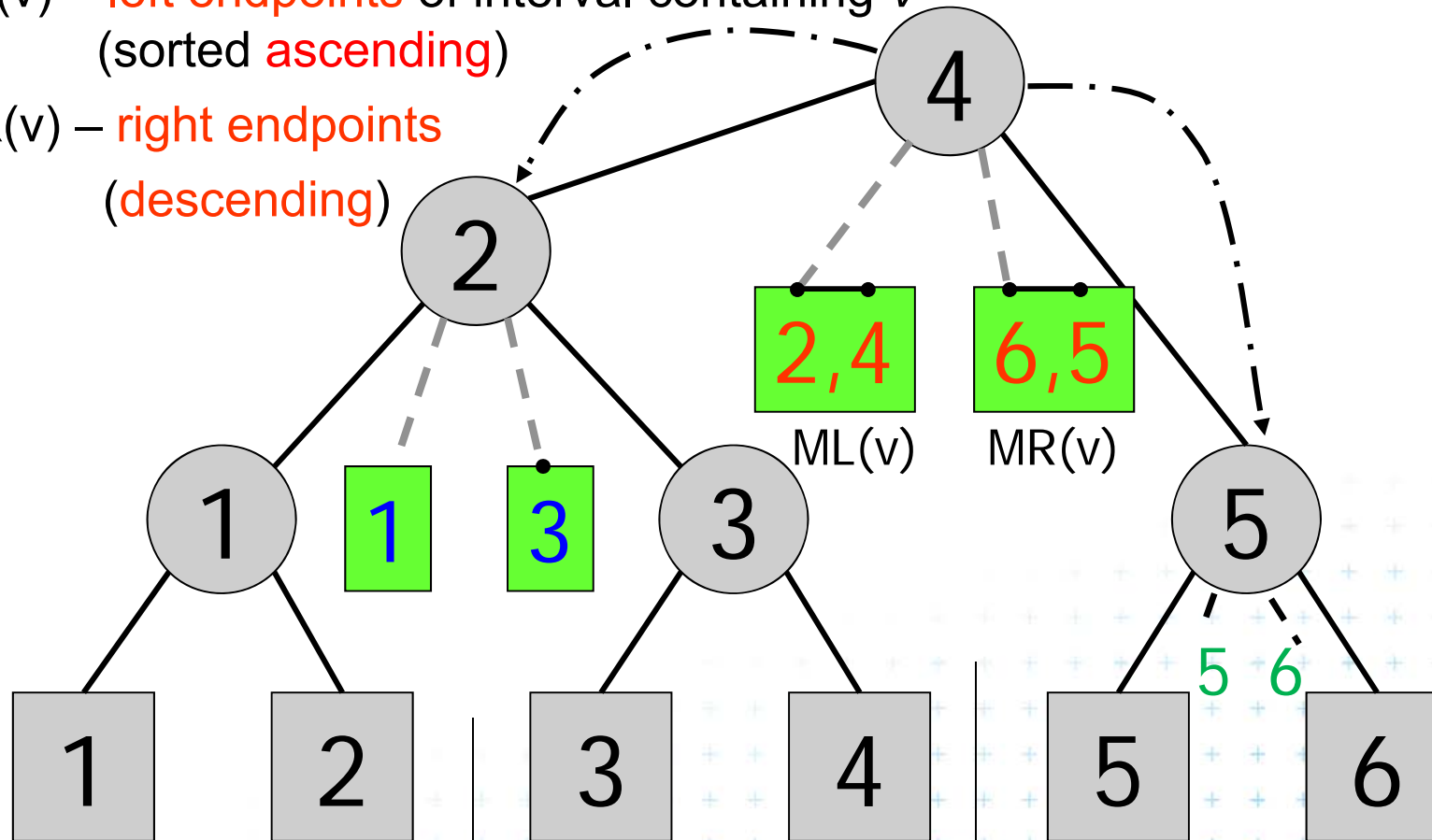
$H(v)$ = value (y-coord) of v



Secondary lists of incident interval end-pts.

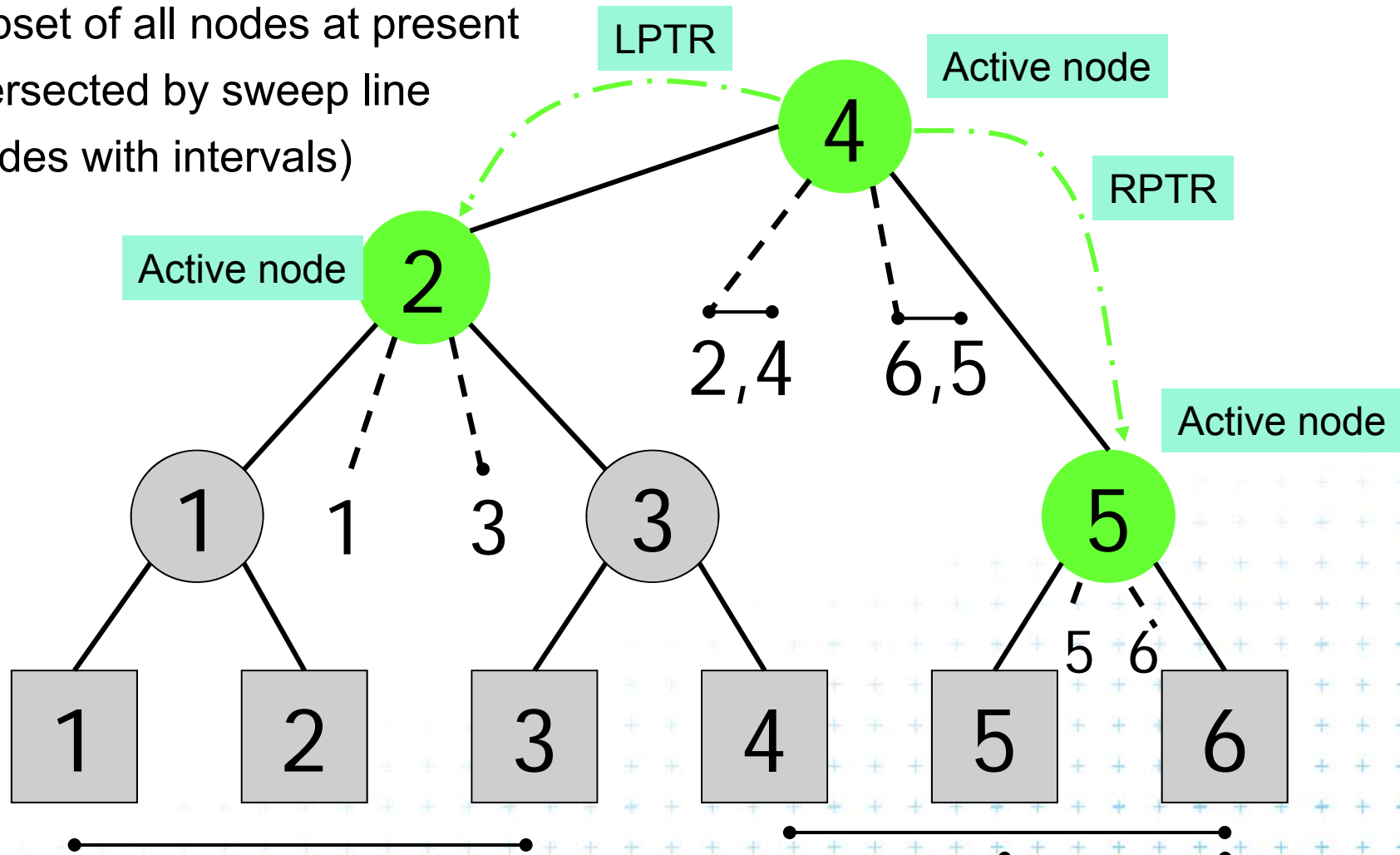
ML(v) – left endpoints of interval containing v
(sorted ascending)

MR(v) – right endpoints
(descending)



Active nodes – intersected by the sweep line

Subset of all nodes at present intersected by sweep line (nodes with intervals)






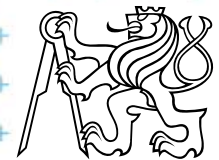
Query = sweep and report intersections

RectangleIntersections(S)

Input: Set S of rectangles

Output: Intersected rectangle pairs

1. Preprocess(S) // create the interval tree T (for y-coords)
// and event queue Q (for x-coords)
2. while ($Q \hat{=} \emptyset$) do
3. Get next entry (x_i, y_{il}, y_{ir}, t) from Q // $t \in \{ \text{left} | \text{right} \}$
4. if ($t = \text{left}$) // left edge 
5. a) QueryInterval ($y_{il}, y_{ir}, \text{root}(T)$) // report intersections 
6. b) InsertInterval ($y_{il}, y_{ir}, \text{root}(T)$) // insert new interval
7. else // right edge 
8. c) DeleteInterval ($y_{il}, y_{ir}, \text{root}(T)$)



Preprocessing

Preprocess(S)

Input: Set S of rectangles

Output: Primary structure of the interval tree T and the event queue Q

1. $T = \text{PrimaryTree}(S)$ // Construct the static primary structure
// of the interval tree -> sweep line STATUS T
2. // Init event queue Q with vertical rectangle edges in ascending order.
// Put the left edges with the same x ahead of right ones.
3. for i = 1 to n
4. insert((x_{il} , y_{il} , y_{ir} , left), Q) // left edges of i-th rectangle
5. insert((x_{ir} , y_{il} , y_{ir} , right), Q) // right edges



Interval tree – primary structure construction

PrimaryTree(S) // only the y-tree structure, without intervals

Input: Set S of rectangles

Output: Primary structure of an interval tree T

1. $S_y = \text{Sort endpoints of all segments in } S \text{ according to } y\text{-coordinate}$
2. $T = \text{BST}(S_y)$
3. **return T**

BST(S_y)

1. **if($|S_y| = 0$) return null**
2. $yMed = \text{median of } S_y$
3. $L = \text{endpoints } p_y \leq yMed$
4. $R = \text{endpoints } p_y \Delta \# yMed$
5. $t = \text{new IntervalTreeNode}(yMed)$
6. $t.left = \text{BST}(L)$
7. $t.right = \text{BST}(R)$
8. **return t**



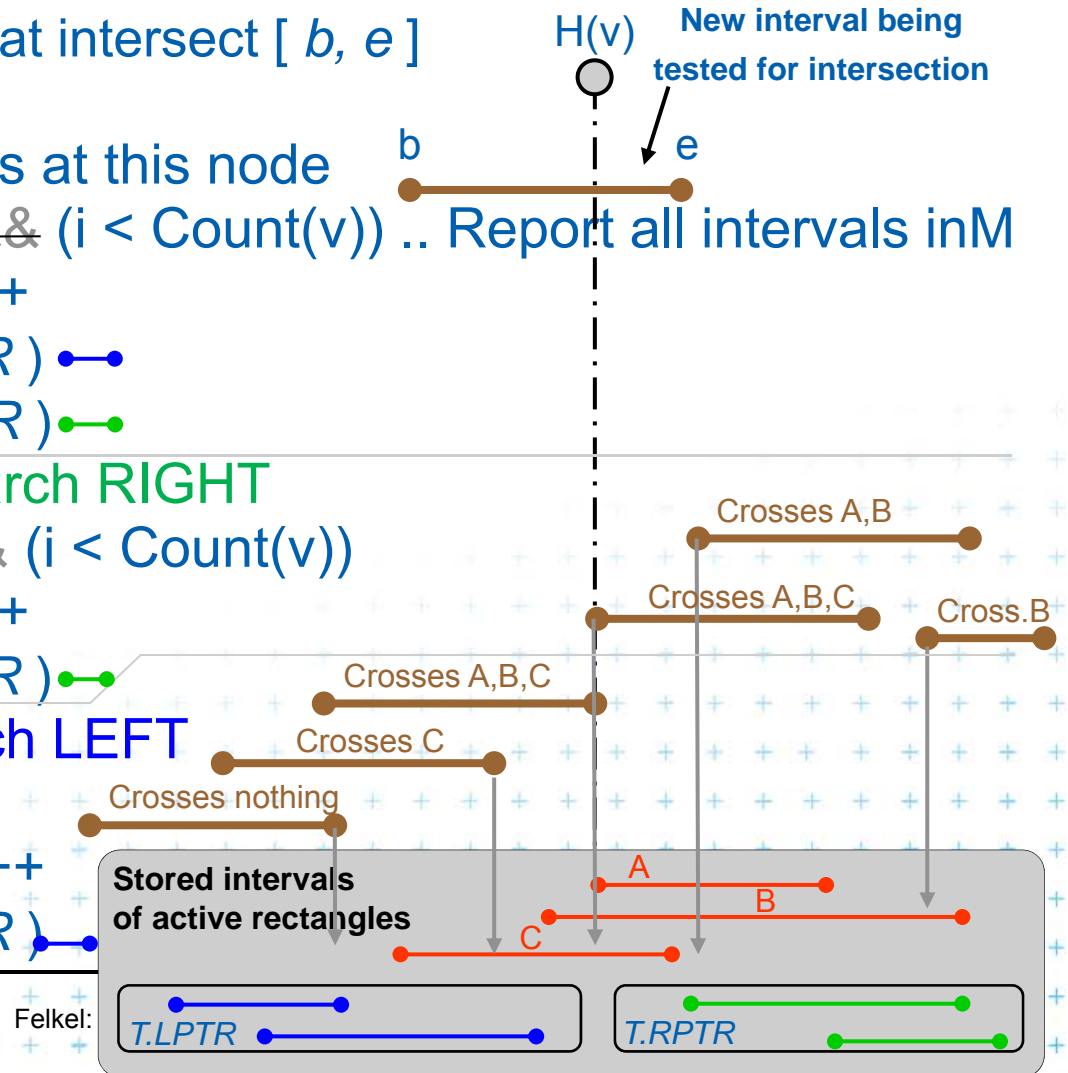
Interval tree – search the intersections

QueryInterval (b, e, T)

Input: Interval of the edge and current tree T

Output: Report the rectangles that intersect $[b, e]$

1. **if** ($T = \text{null}$) **return**
2. $i=0$; **if** ($b < H(v) < e$) // forks at this node
3. **while** ($MR(v).[i] \geq b$) && ($i < \text{Count}(v)$) .. Report all intervals in M
4. ReportIntersection; $i++$
5. QueryInterval($b, e, T.LPTR$)
6. QueryInterval($b, e, T.RPTR$)
7. **else if** ($H(v) \leq b < e$) // search RIGHT
8. **while** ($MR(v).[i] \geq b$) && ($i < \text{Count}(v)$)
9. ReportIntersection; $i++$
10. QueryInterval($b, e, T.RPTR$)
11. **else** // $b < e \leq H(v)$ //search LEFT
12. **while** ($ML(v).[i] \leq e$)
13. ReportIntersection; $i++$
14. QueryInterval($b, e, T.LPTR$)



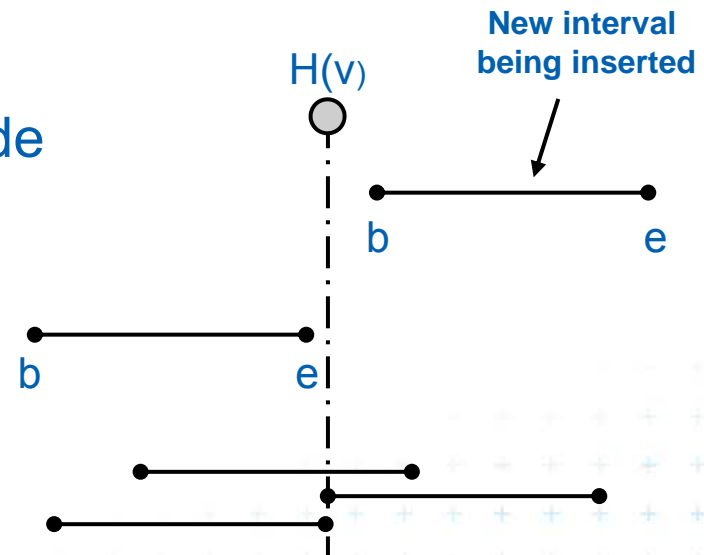
Interval tree - interval insertion

InsertInterval (b, e, T)

Input: Interval $[b, e]$ and interval tree T

Output: T after insertion of the interval

1. $v = \text{root}(T)$
2. **while**($v \neq \text{null}$) // find the fork node
3. **if** ($H(v) < b < e$)
4. $v = v.\text{right}$ // continue right
5. **else if** ($b < e < H(v)$)
6. $v = v.\text{left}$ // continue left
7. **else** // $b < H(v) < e$ // insert interval
8. set v node to *active*
9. connect LPTR resp. RPTR to its parent
10. insert $[b, e]$ into list $ML(v)$ – sorted in ascending order of b 's
11. insert $[b, e]$ into list $MR(v)$ – sorted in descending order of e 's
12. break
13. **endwhile**
14. **return** T

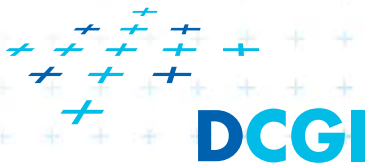


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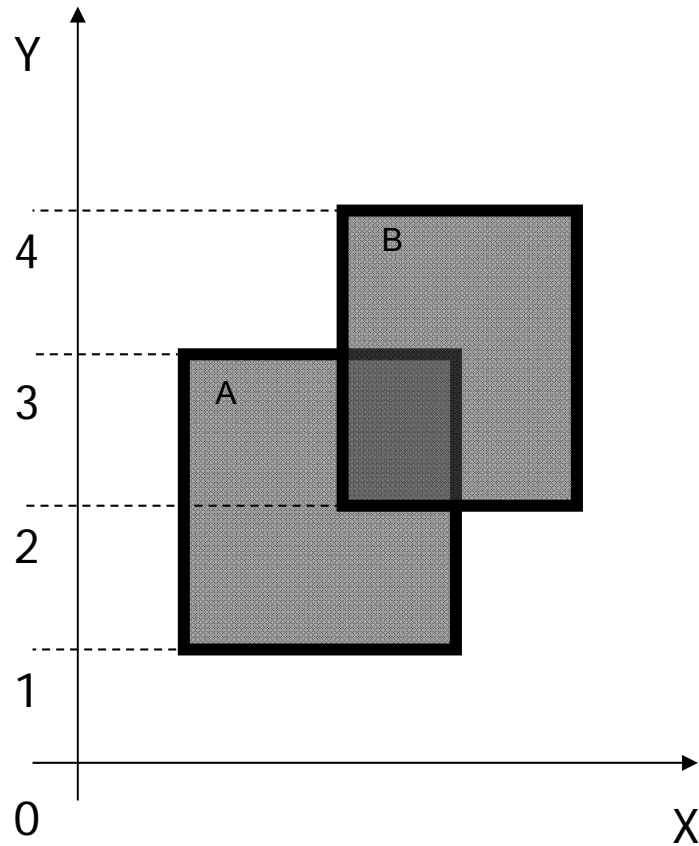
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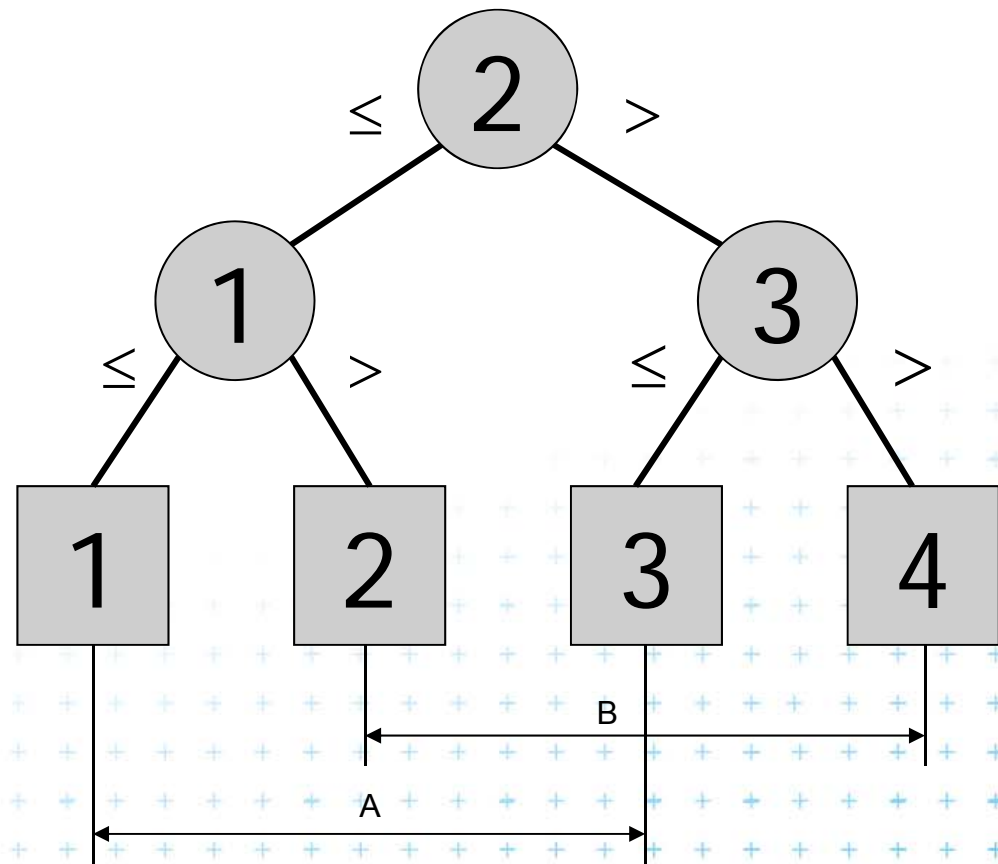
Example 1



Example 1 – static tree on endpoints



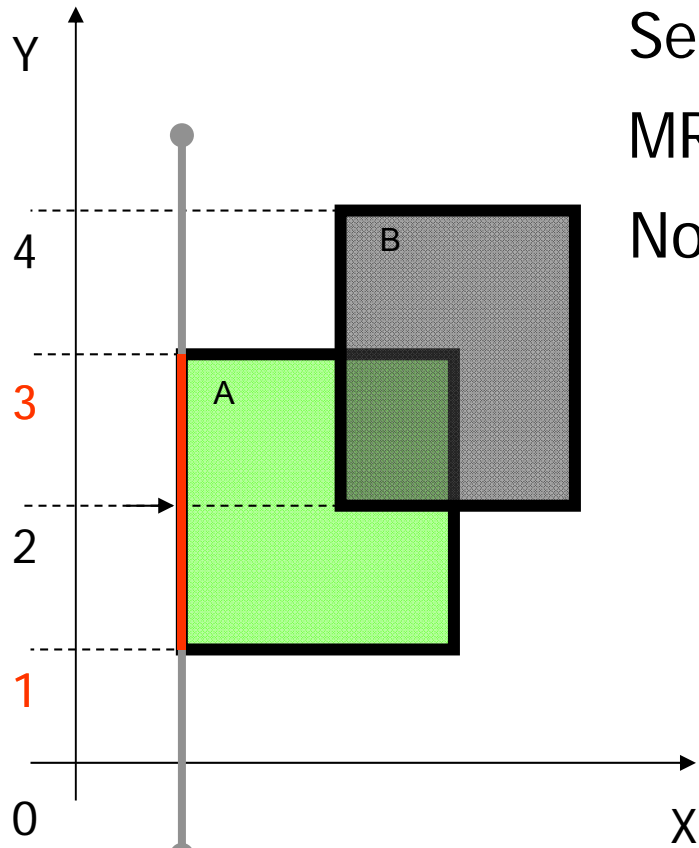
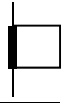
$H(v)$ – value of node v






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Interval insertion [1,3] a) Query Interval



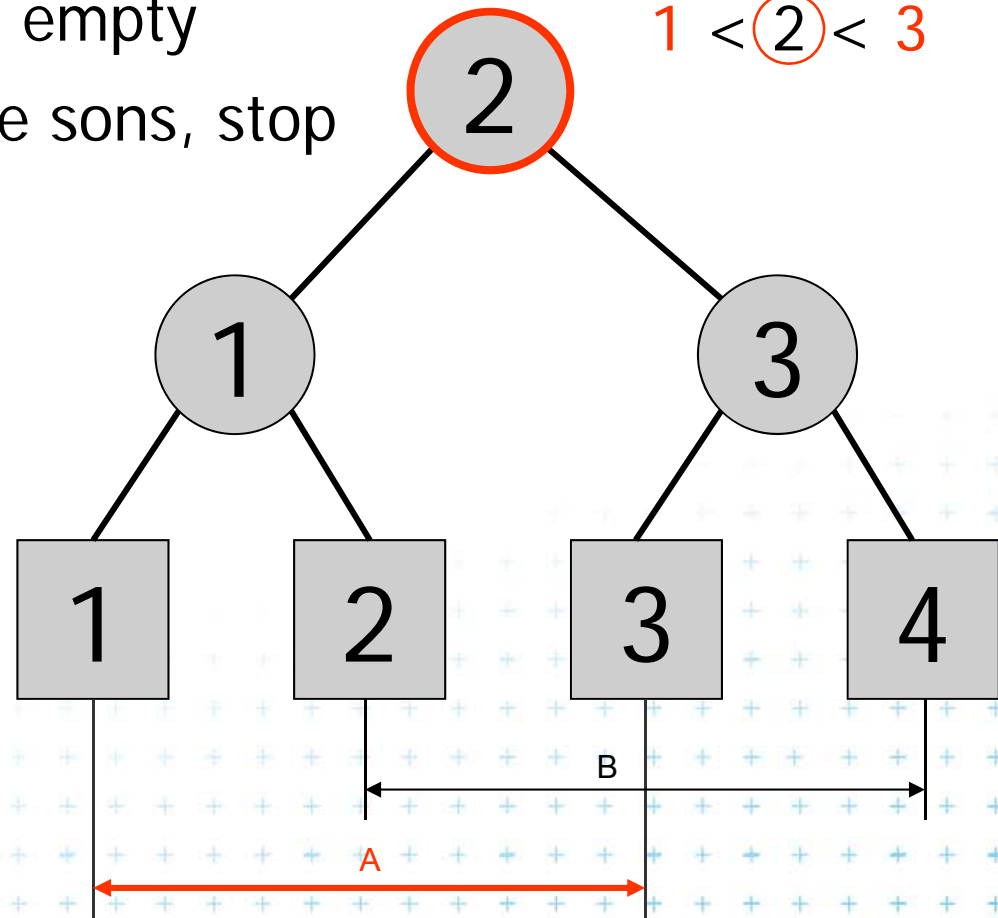
-  Active rectangle
-  Current node
-  Active node

Search $MR(v)$ or $ML(v)$: $\leftarrow b < H(v) < e$

$MR(v)$ is empty

No active sons, stop

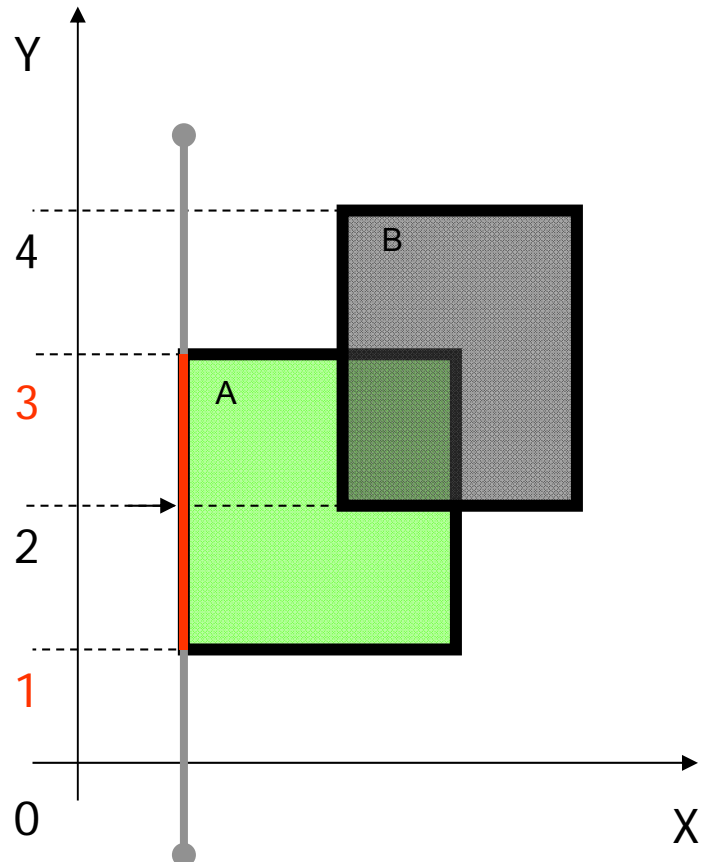
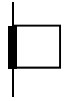
$1 < \textcircled{2} < 3$






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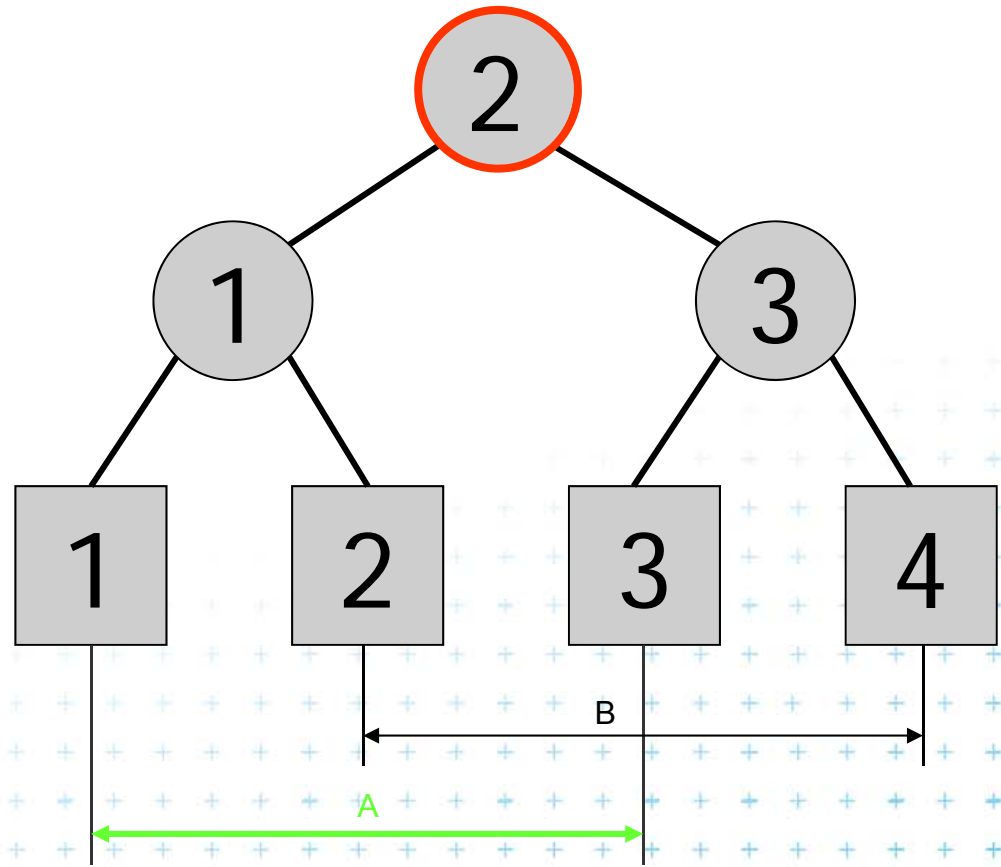


Interval insertion [1,3] b) Insert Interval



-  Active rectangle
-  Current node
-  Active node

$b \cdot H(v) \cdot e$
 ? 1 · ② · 3 ?

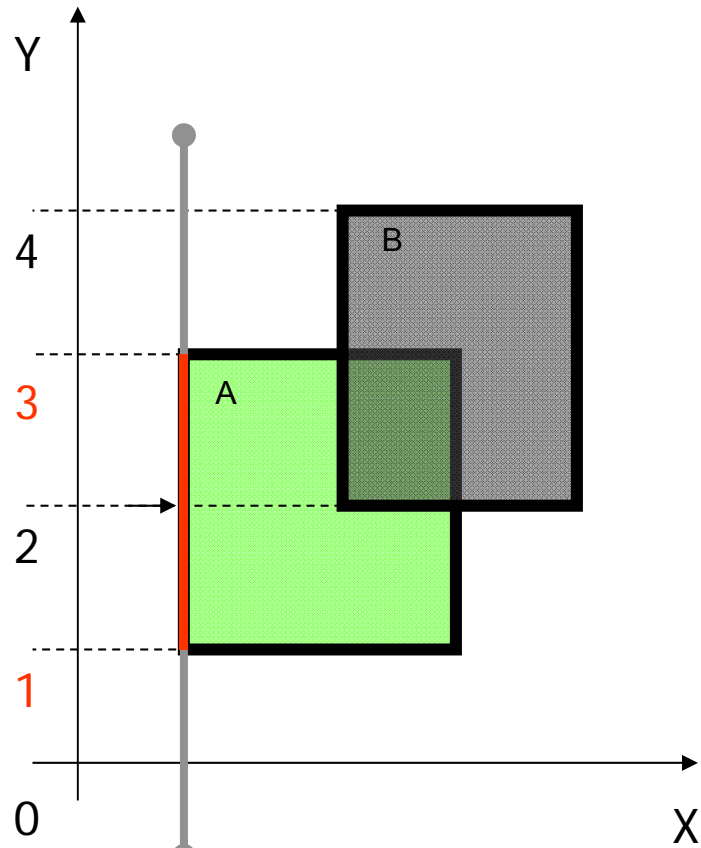


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Interval insertion [1,3]

b) Insert Interval

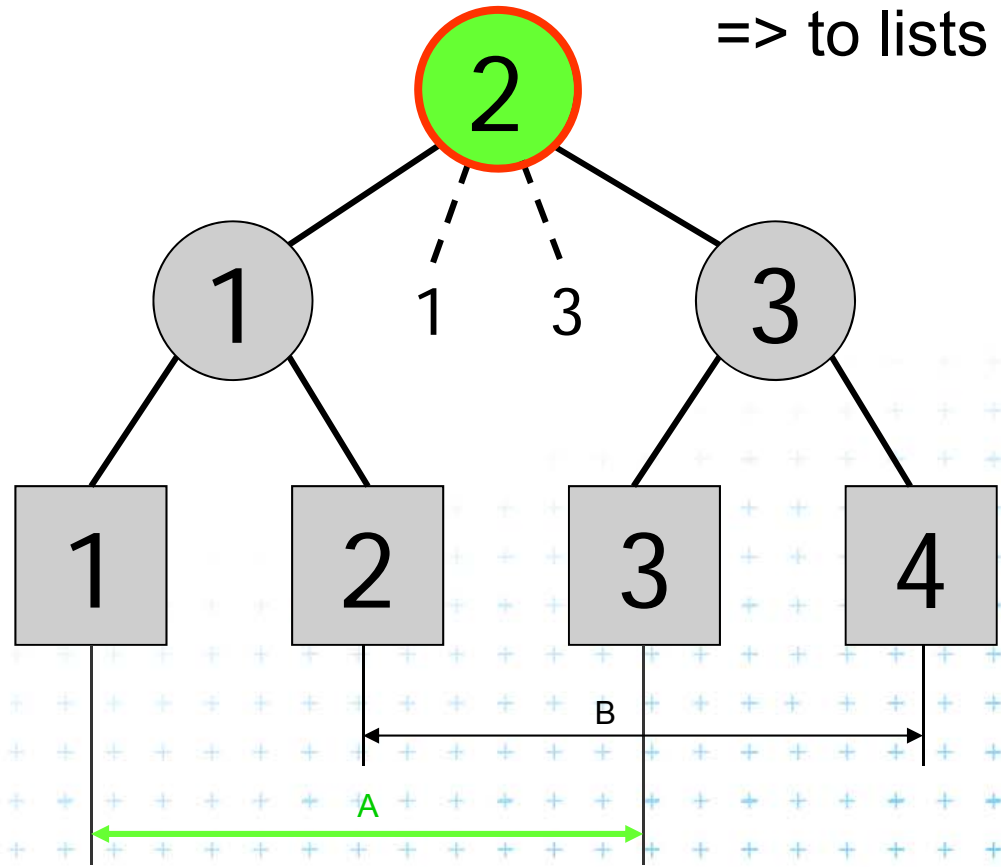


- Active rectangle
- Current node
- Active node

$b \leq H(v) \leq e$

1, 2, 3

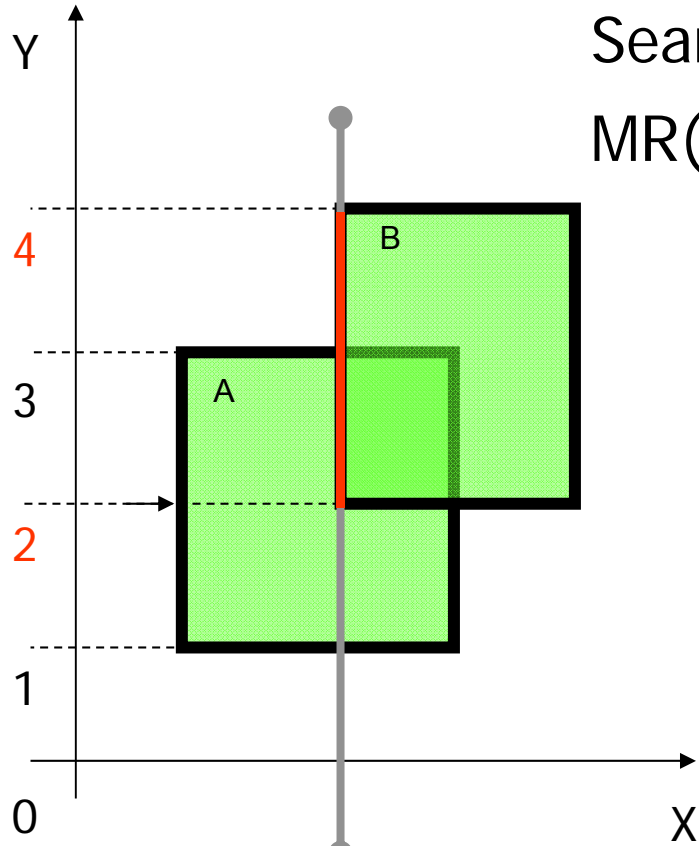
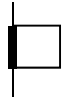
fork
=> to lists






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Interval insertion [2,4] a) Query Interval



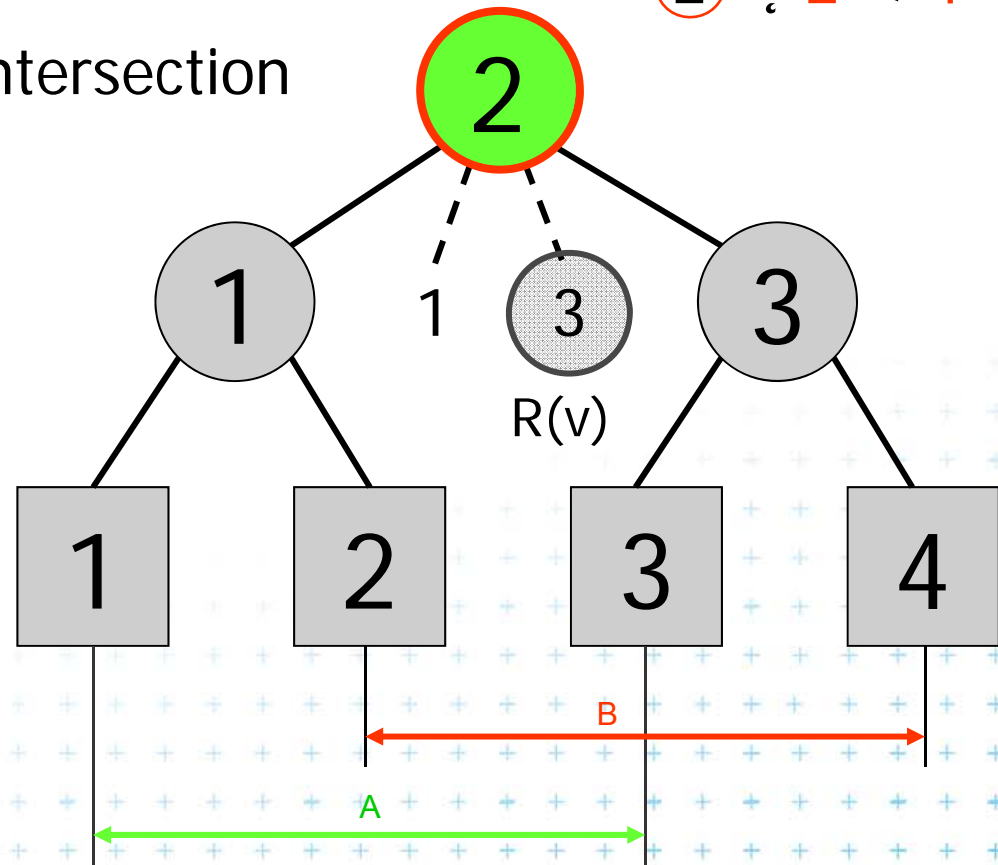
-  Active rectangle
-  Current node
-  Active node

Search MR(v) only: $\leftarrow H(v)$, $b < e$

MR(v)[1] = 3 - 2?

2 , $2 < 4$

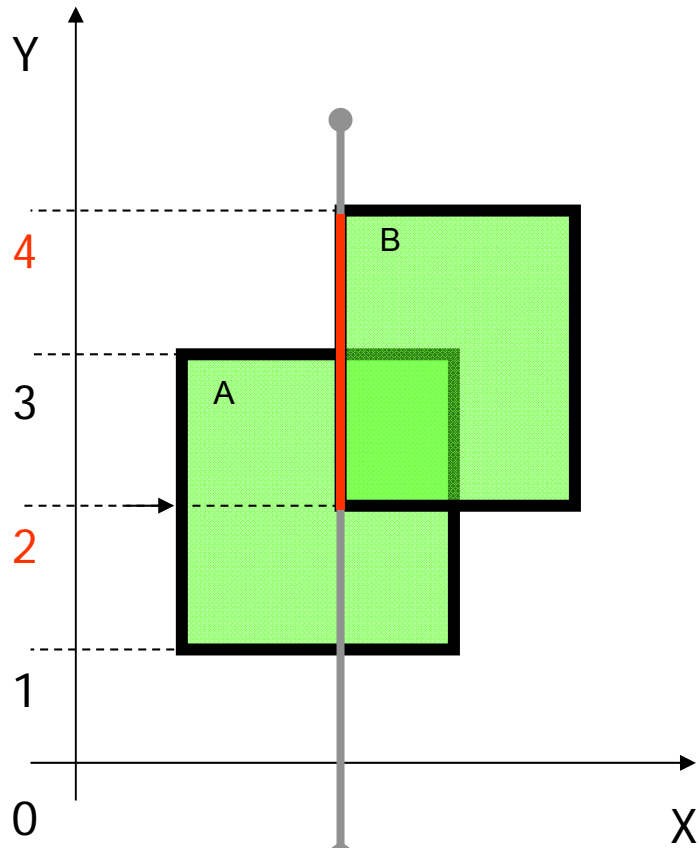
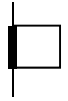
=> intersection






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Interval insertion [2,4] b) Insert Interval

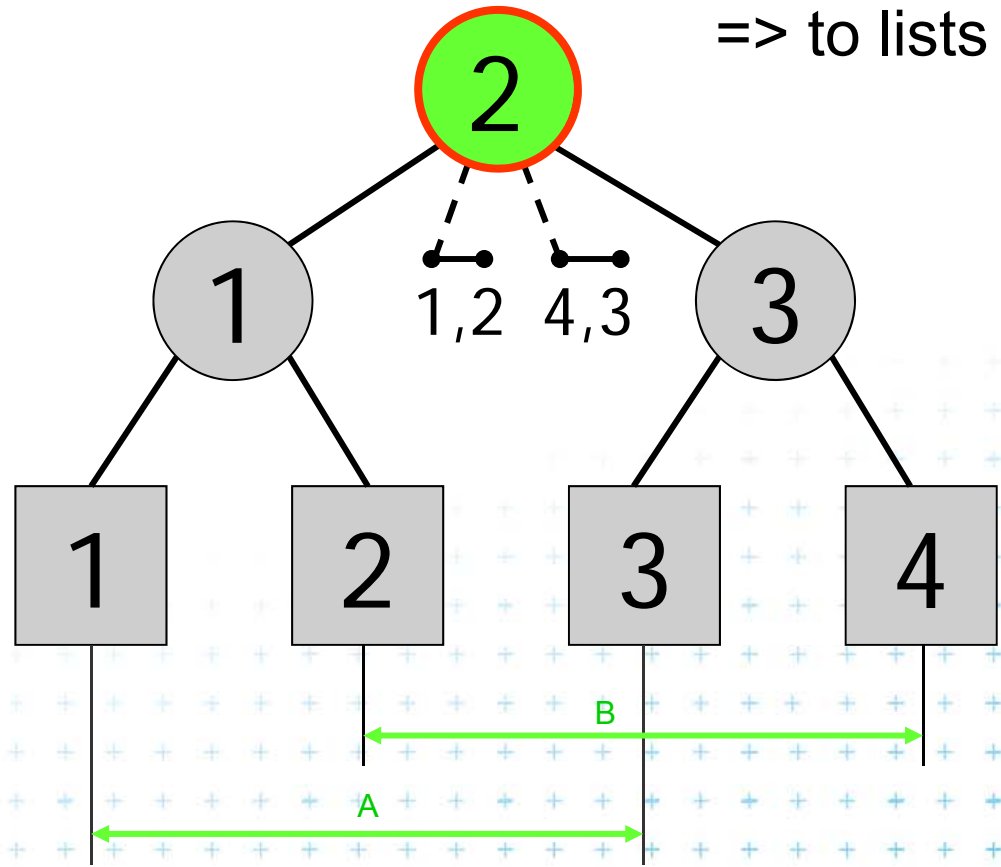


-  Active rectangle
-  Current node
-  Active node

$b \cdot H(v) \cdot e$

2 · ② · 4

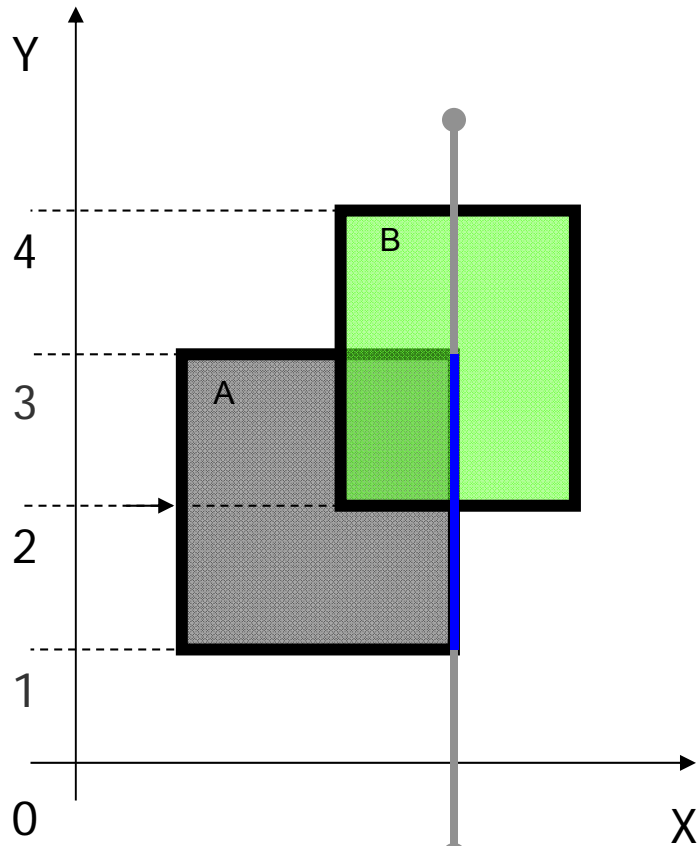
fork
=> to lists






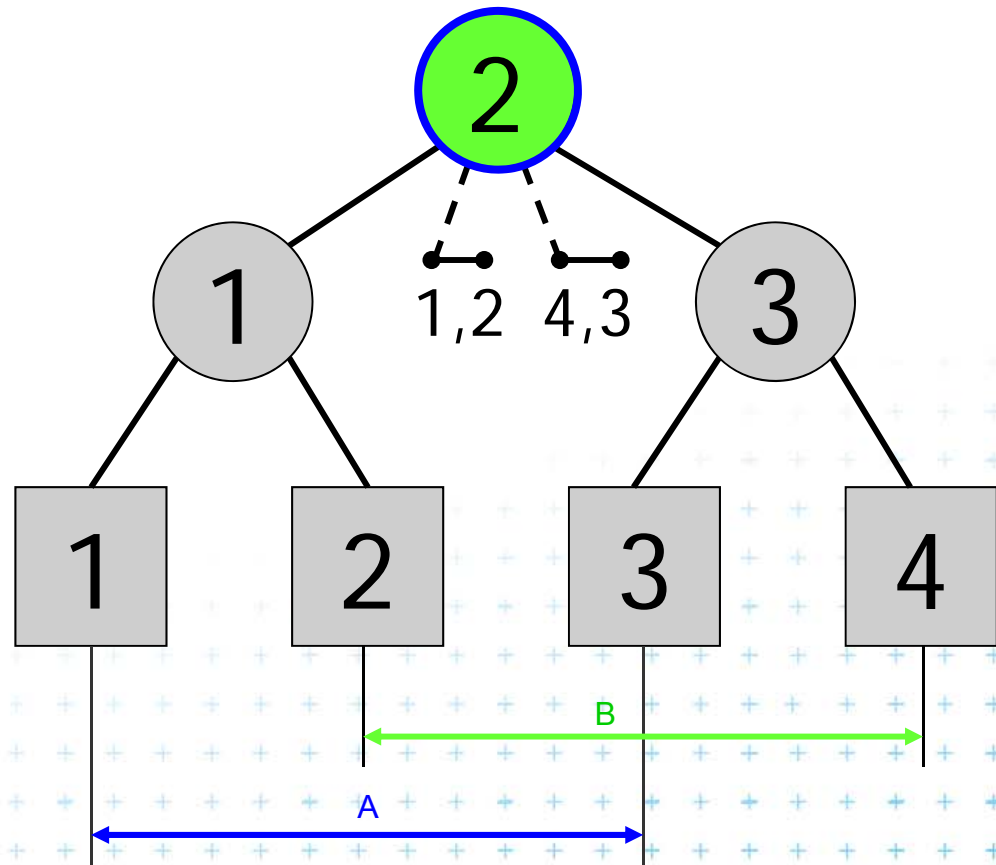
[Drtina]



Interval delete [1,3]



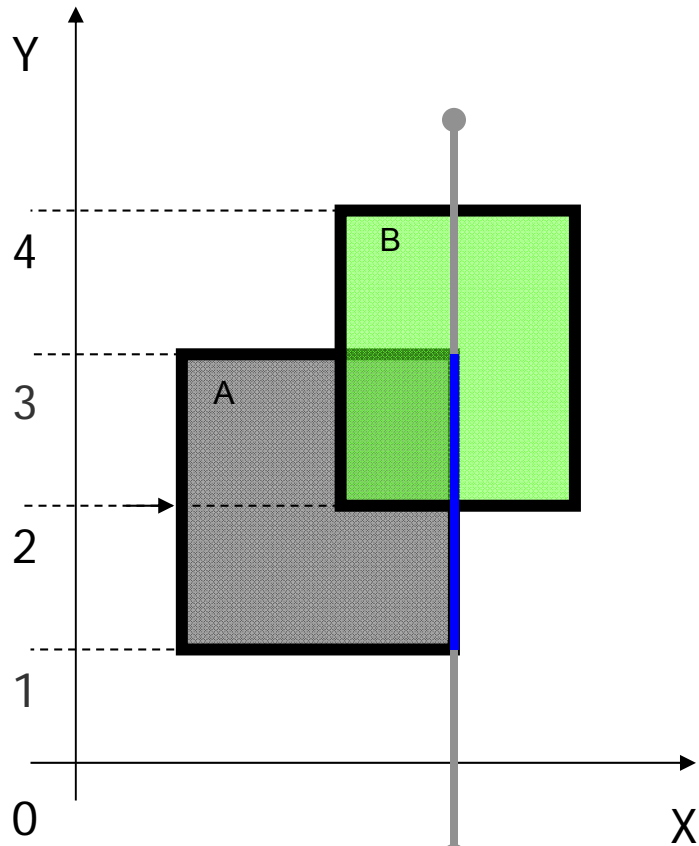
-  Active rectangle
-  Current node
-  Active node






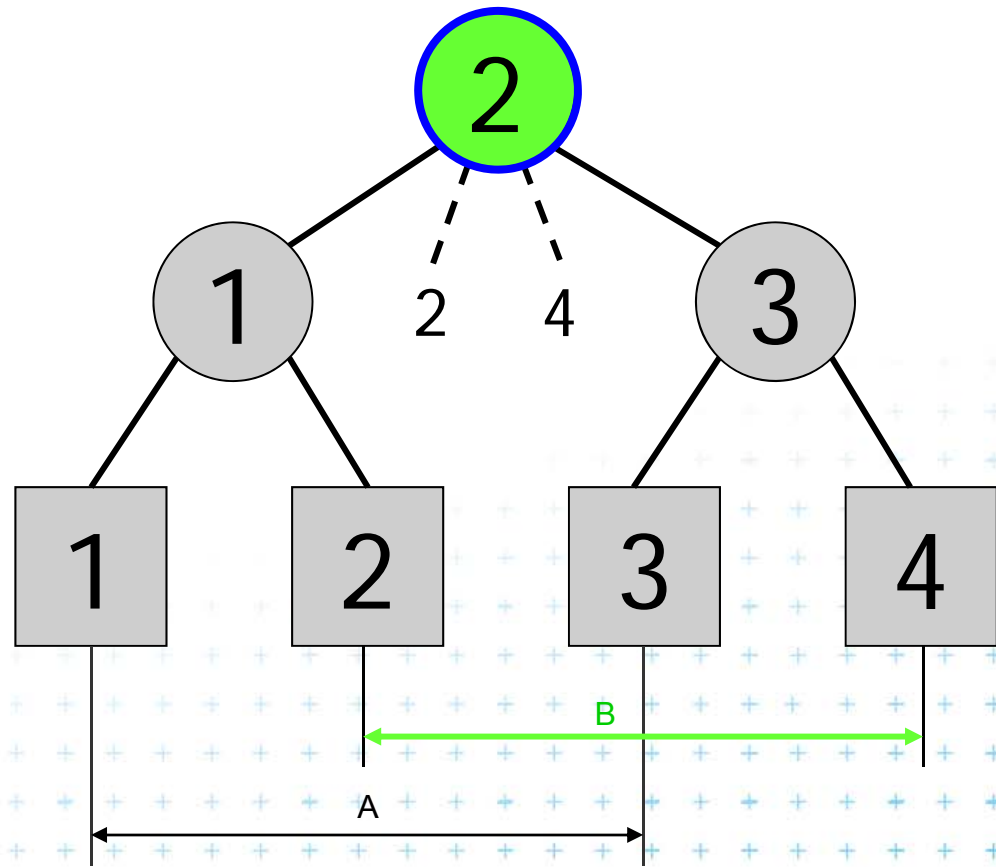
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Interval delete [1,3]



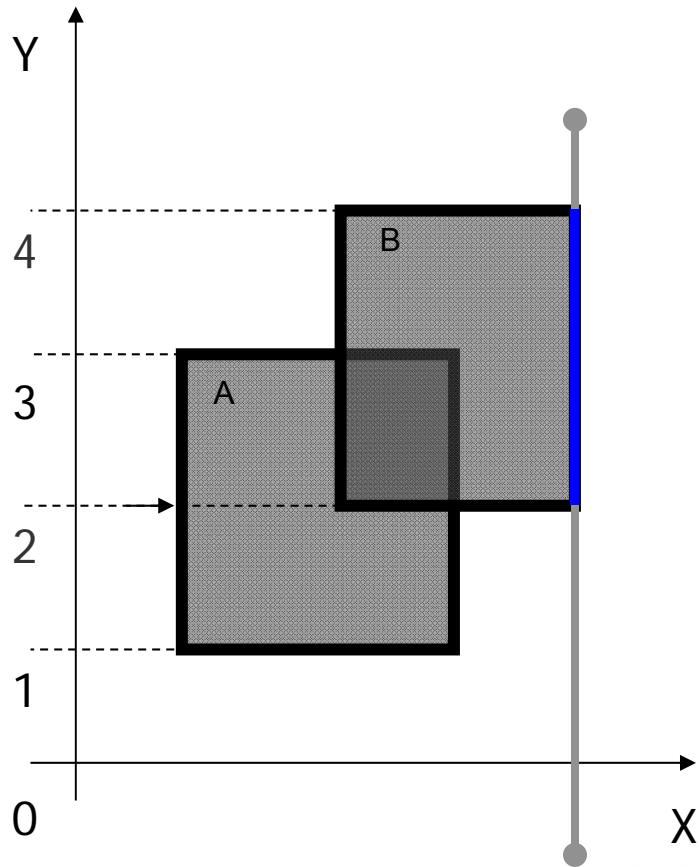
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-  Current node
-  Active node






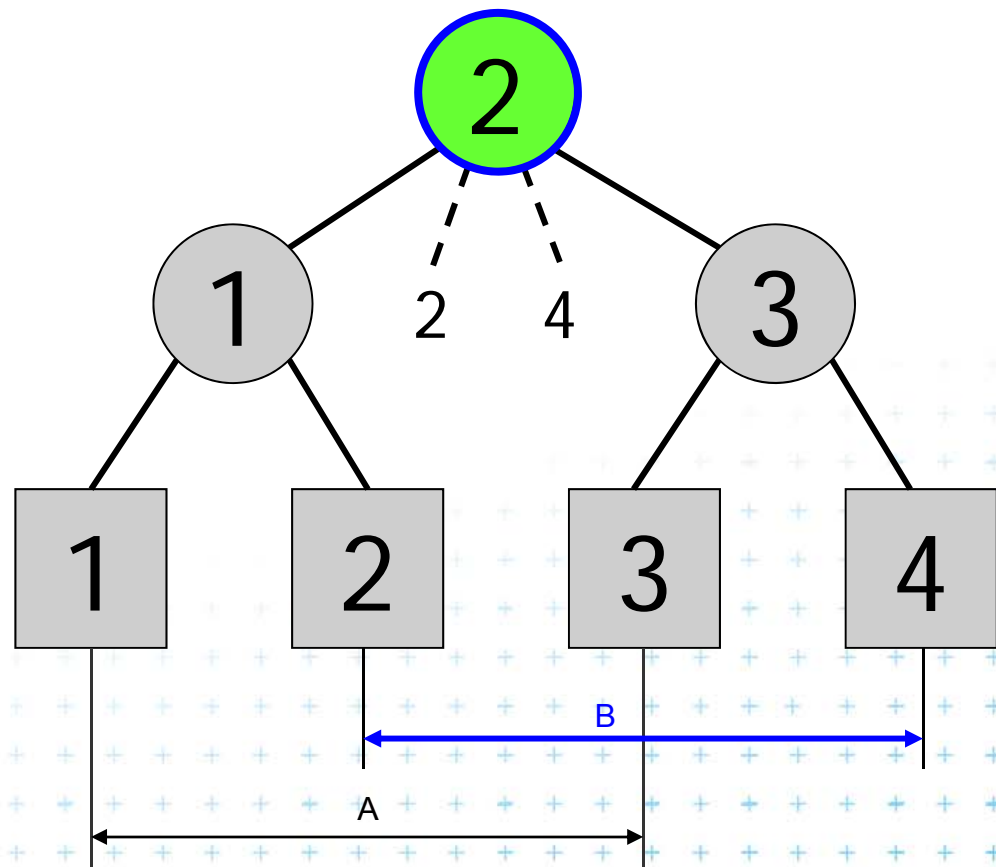
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Interval delete [2,4]



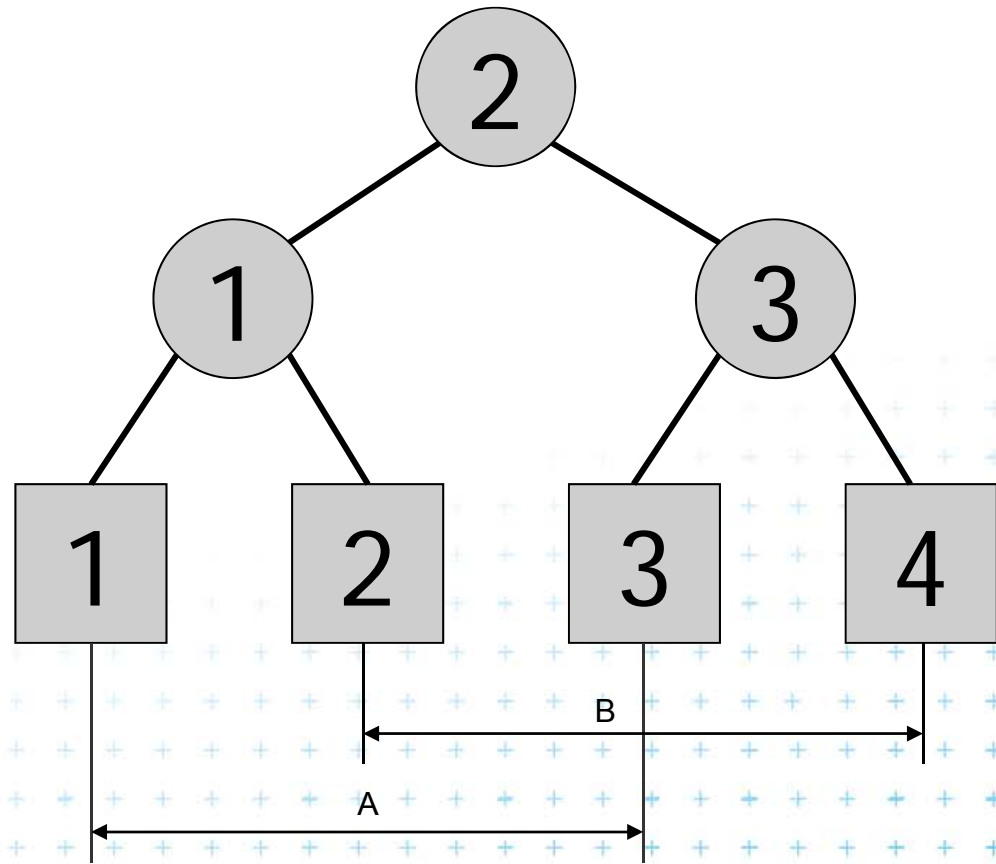
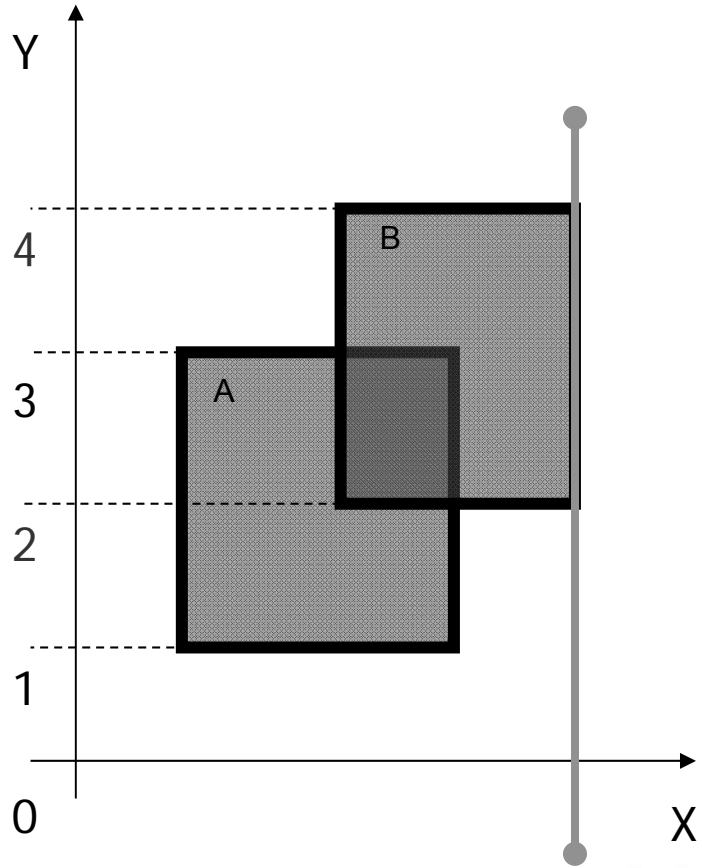
-  Active rectangle
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-  Active node



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Interval delete [2,4]



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Example 2

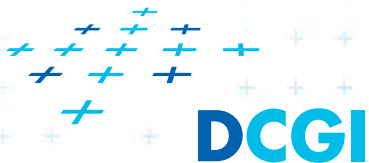
RectangleIntersections(S)

Input: Set S of rectangles

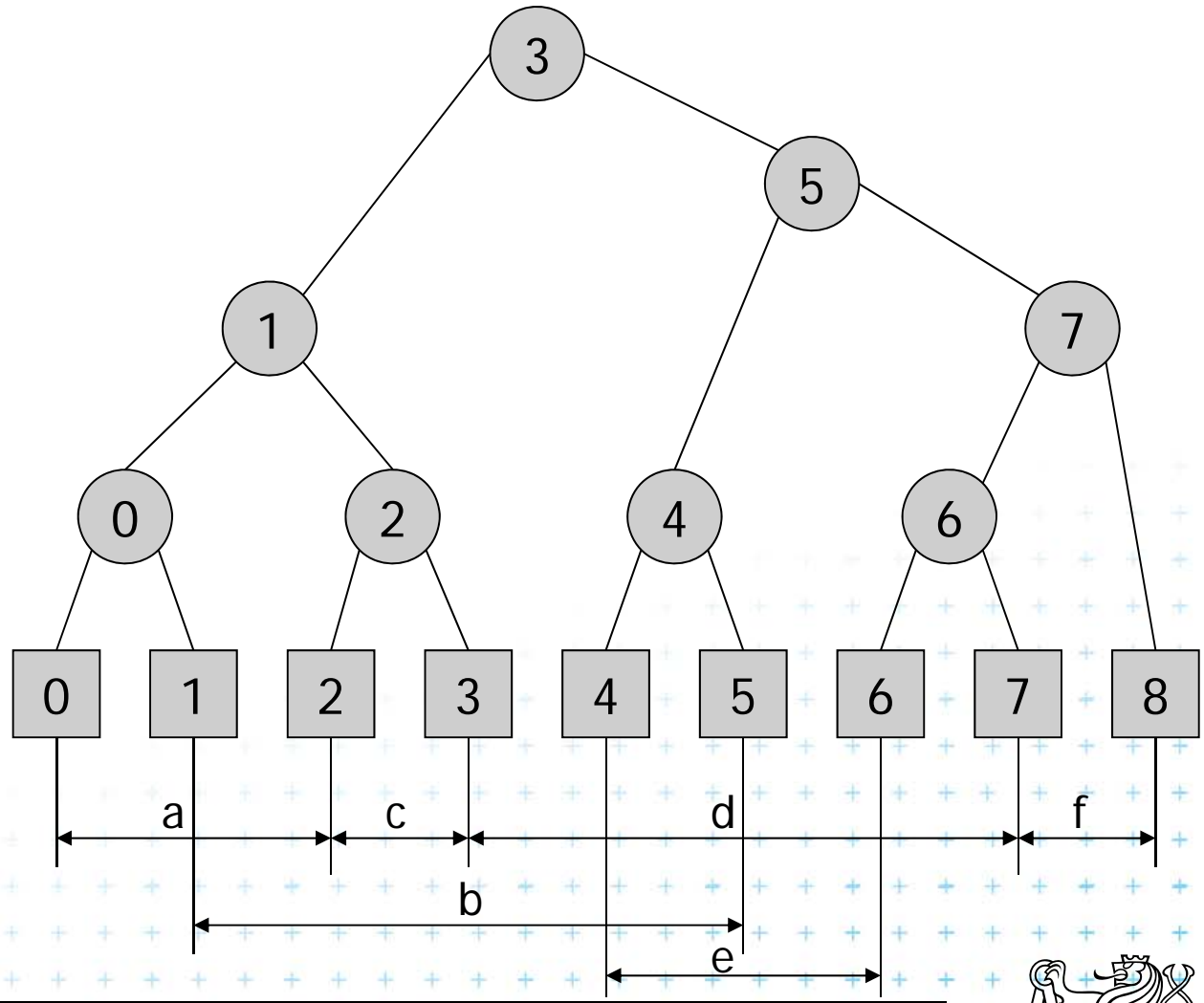
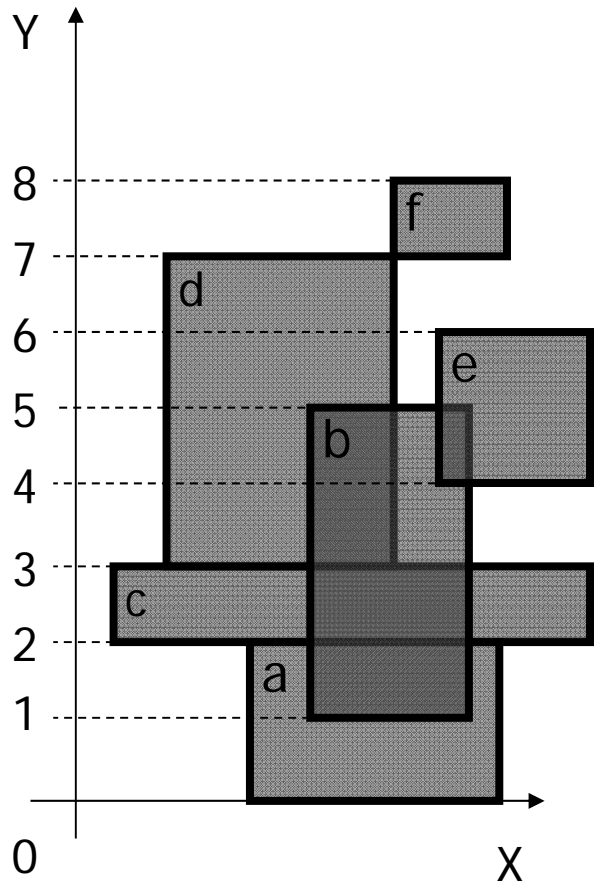
Output: Intersected rectangle pairs

// this is a copy of the slide before
// just to remember the algorithm

1. Preprocess(S) // create the interval tree T and event queue Q
2. while (Q \hat{u} \emptyset) do
3. Get next entry $(x_{il}, y_{il}, y_{ir}, t)$ from Q // $t \in \{ left | right \}$
4. if ($t = left$) // left edge
5. a) QueryInterval ($y_{il}, y_{ir}, root(T)$) // report intersections
6. b) InsertInterval ($y_{il}, y_{ir}, root(T)$) // insert new interval
7. else // right edge
8. c) DeleteInterval ($y_{il}, y_{ir}, root(T)$)

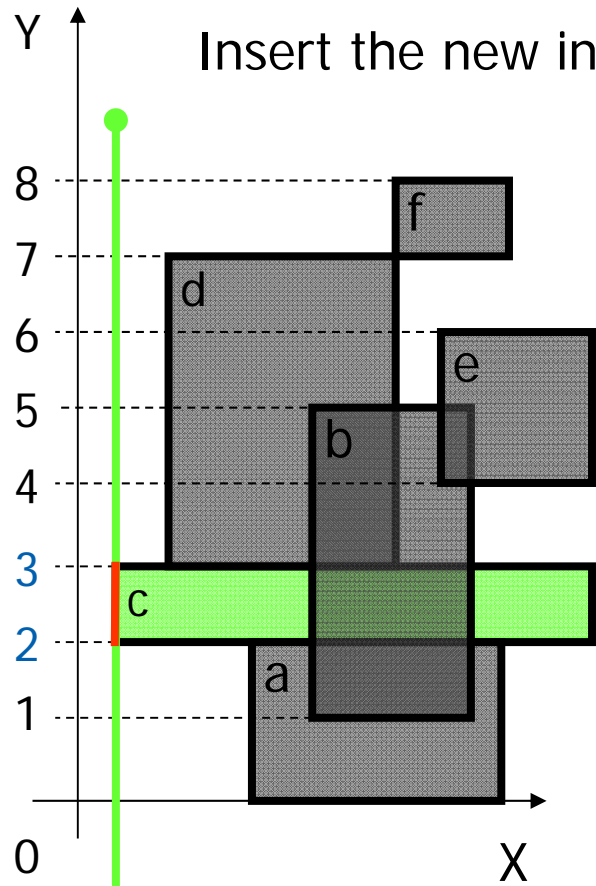


Example 2



Insert [2,3] – empty => b) Insert Interval

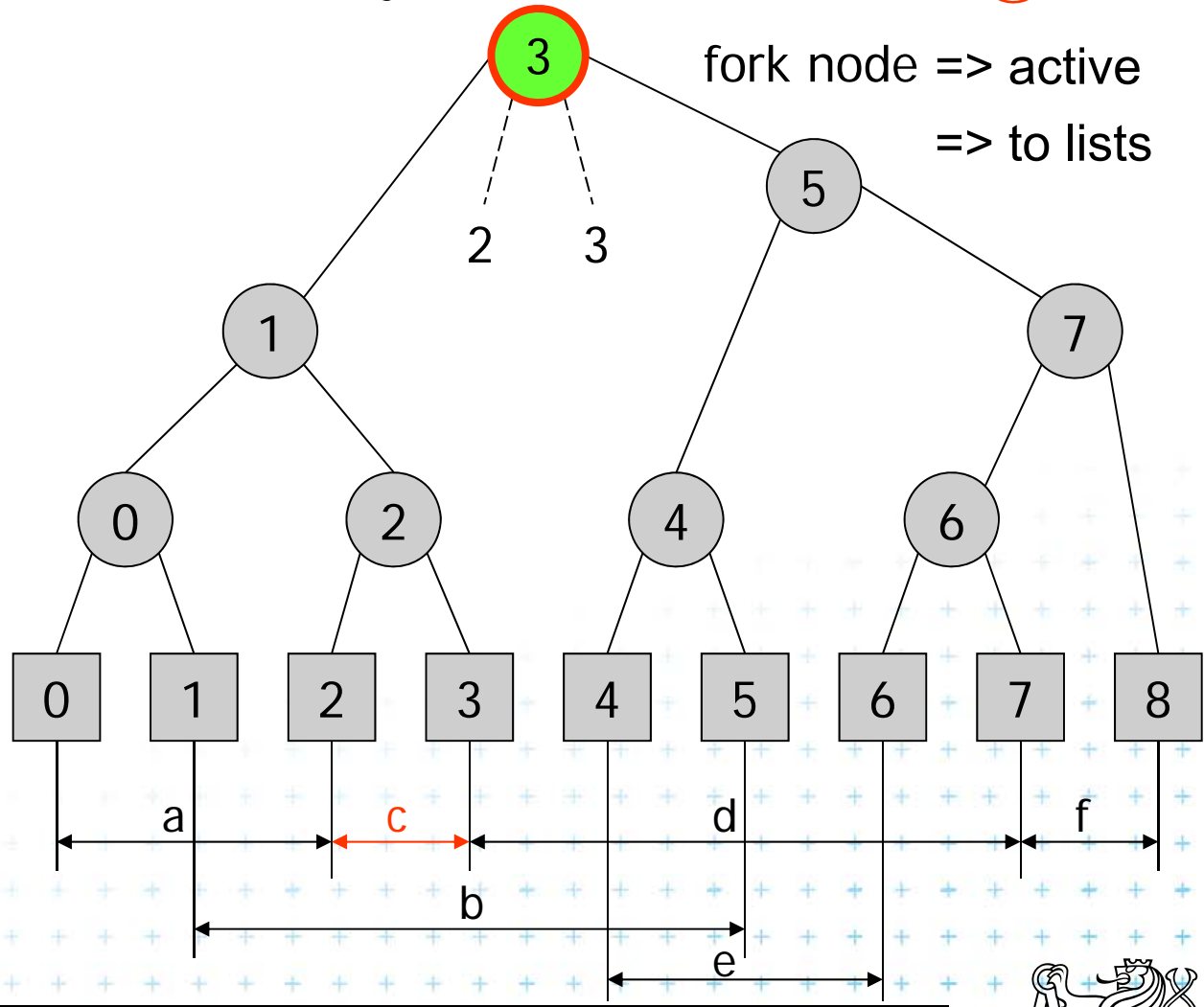
b, H(v), e






Insert the new interval to secondary lists

? 2, 3, 3 ?

fork node => active
=> to lists



-  Active rectangle
-  Current node
-  Active node

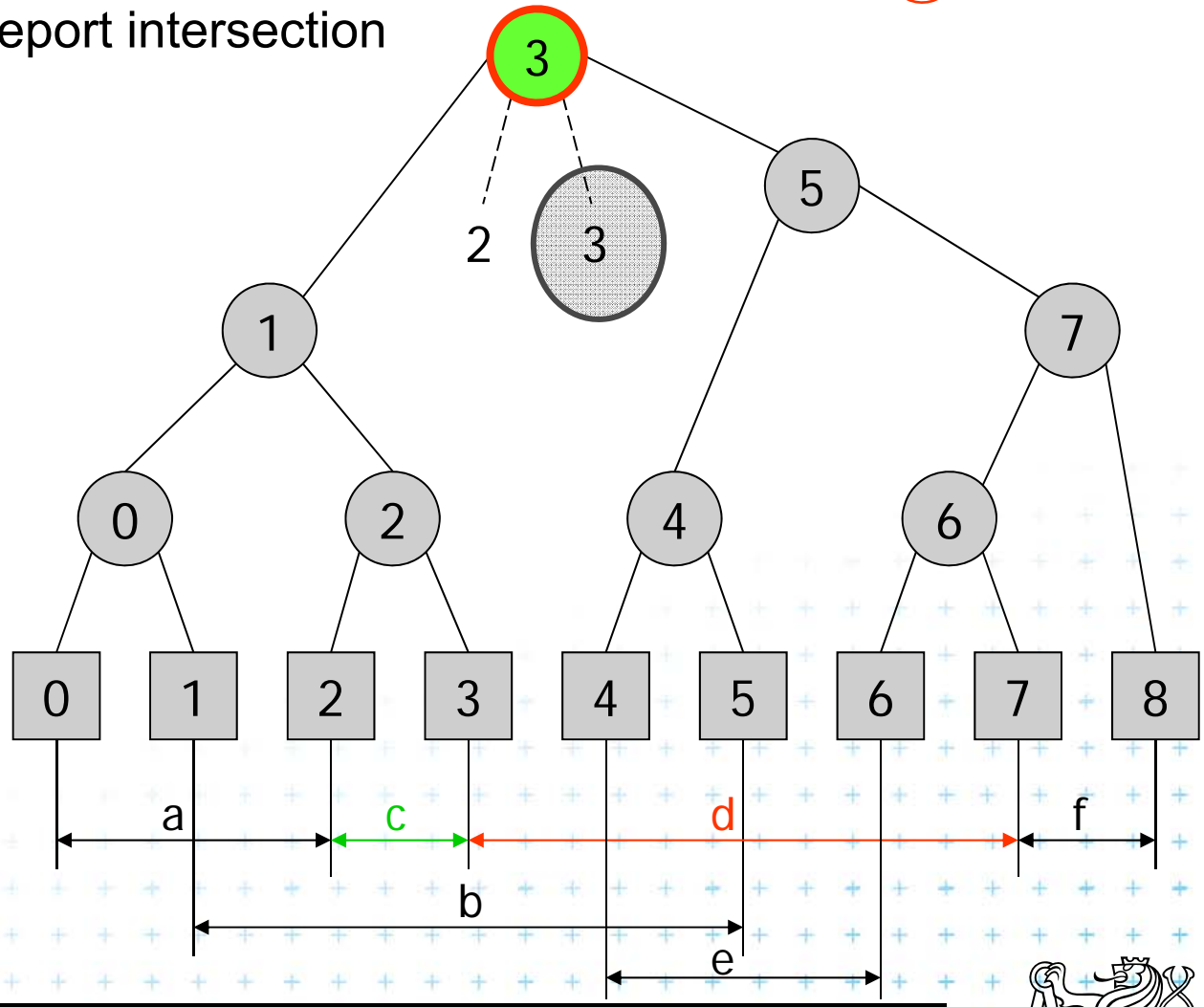
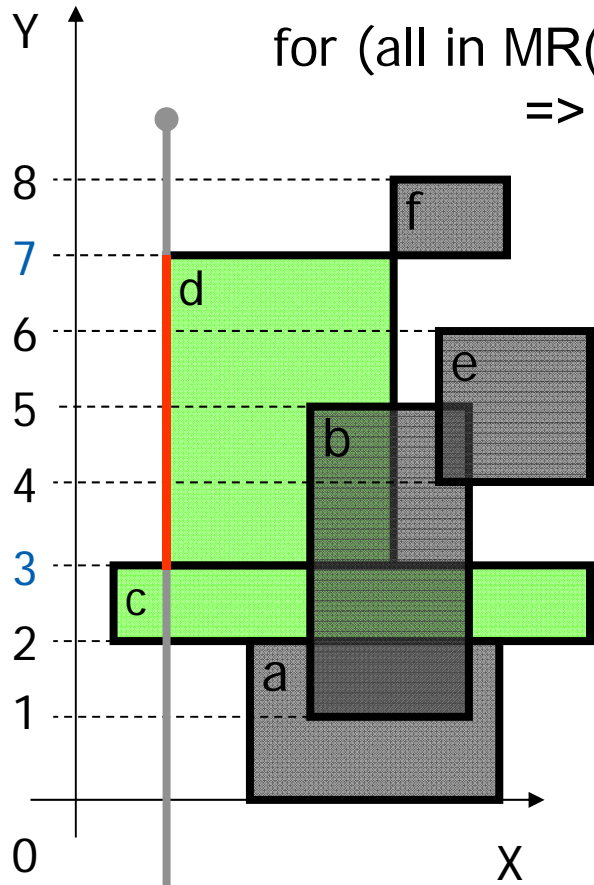





Insert [3,7] a) Query Interval

$H(v)$, $b ? \#$

? 3 , 3 ? 7 ?

for (all in $MR(v)$) test $MR(v)[i] \geq 3$
 \Rightarrow report intersection

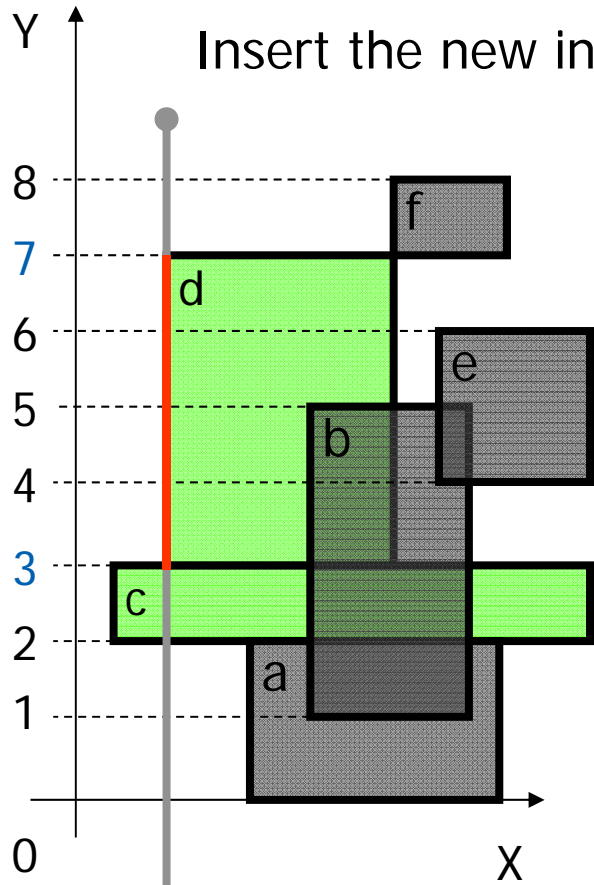


-  Active rectangle
-  Current node
-  Active node



Insert [3,7] b) Insert Interval

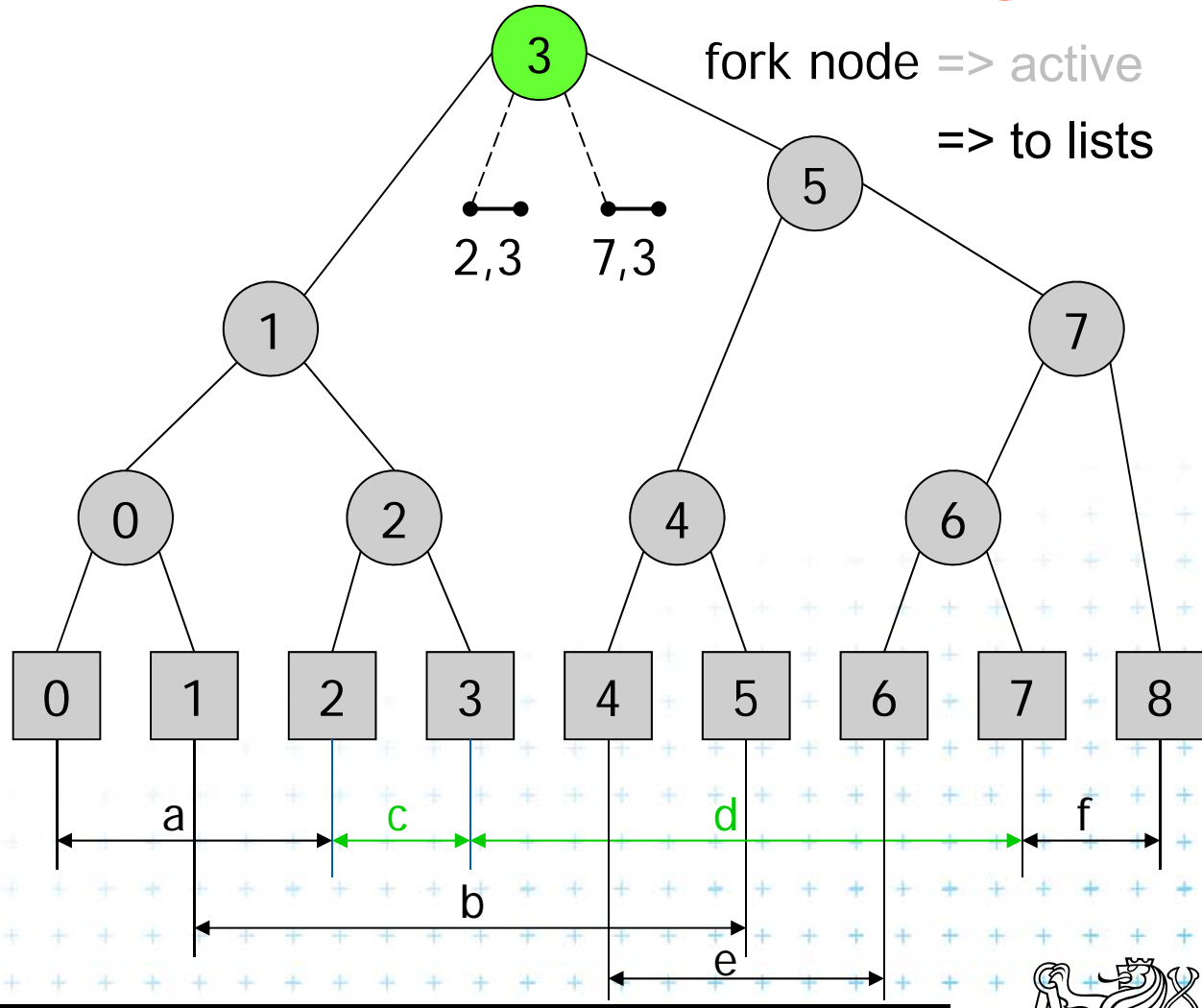
b, H(v), e



Insert the new interval to secondary lists

3, 3, 7

fork node => active
=> to lists



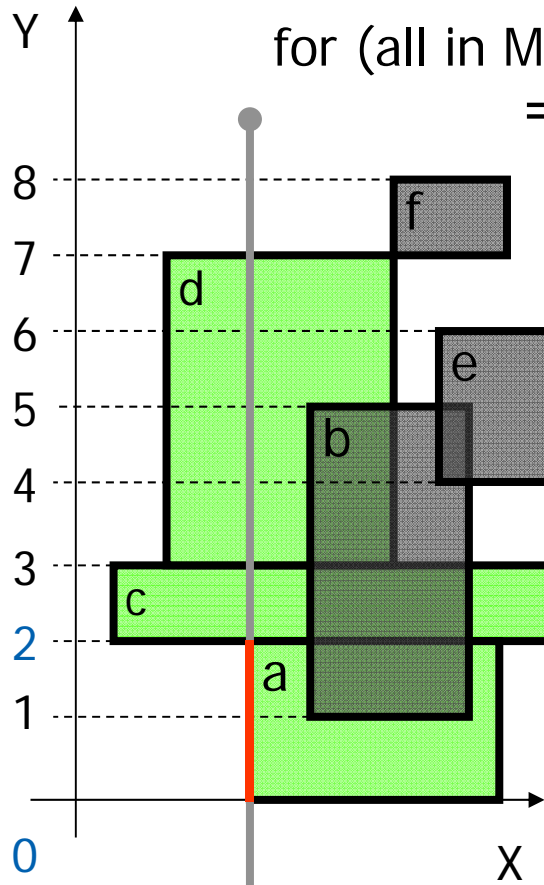
- Active rectangle
- Current node
- Active node



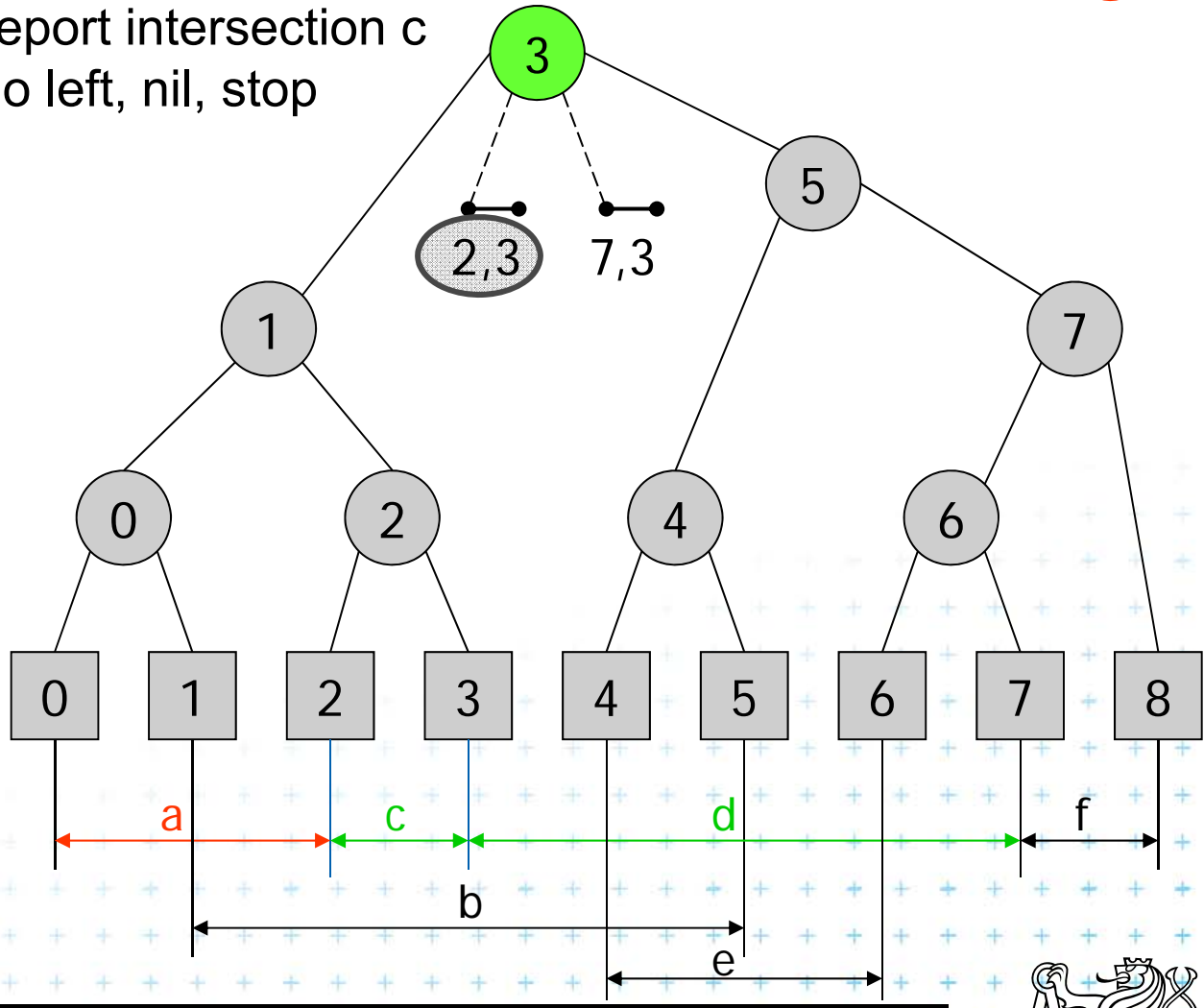
Insert [0,2] a) Query Interval

b ? \notin , $H(v)$

? 0 ? 2 . 3 ?



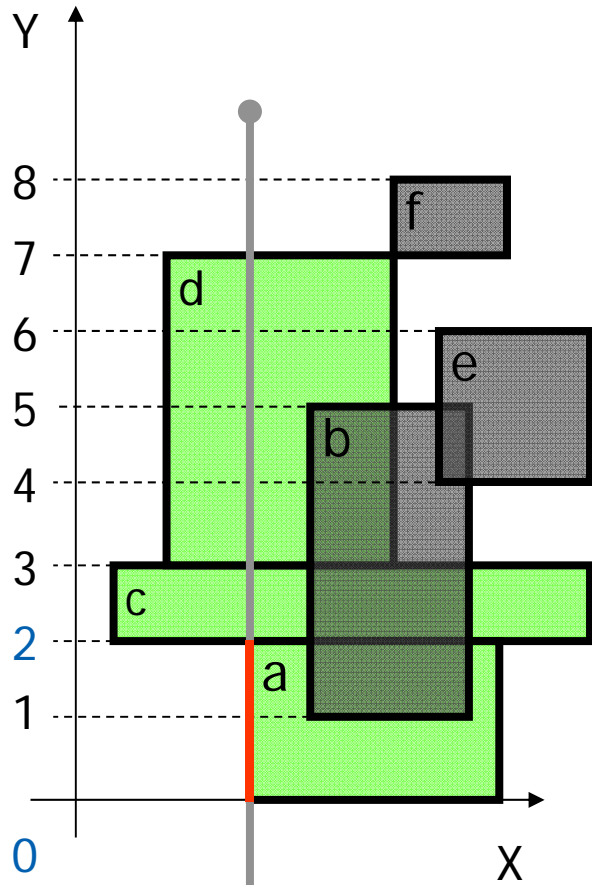
for (all in $ML(v)$) test $ML(v).[i] \leq 2$
 \Rightarrow report intersection c
 go left, nil, stop






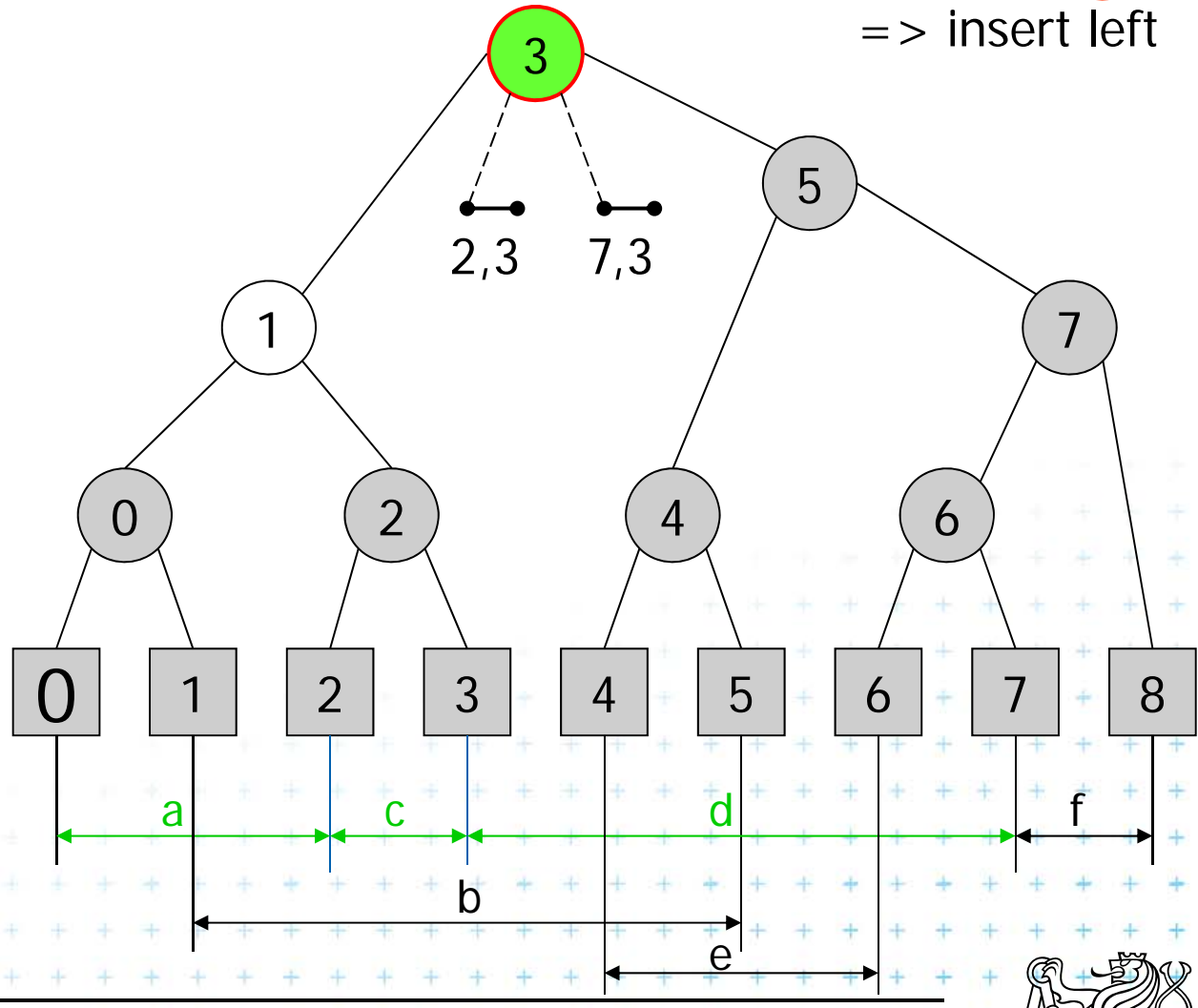
Insert [0,2] b) Insert Interval 1/2

$b ? e < H(v)$

? $0 < 2 < 3$?
 \Rightarrow insert left



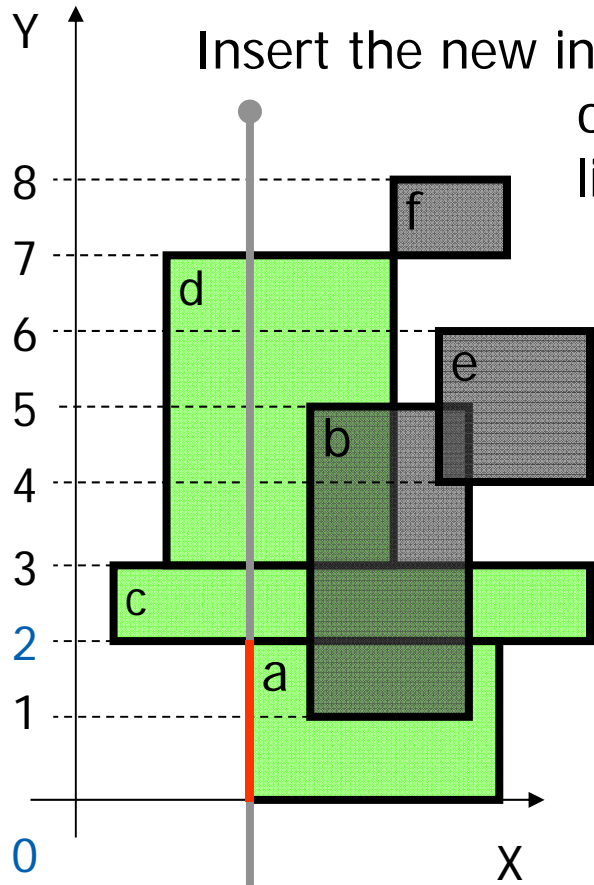
-  Active rectangle
-  Current node
-  Active node



Insert [0,2] b) Insert Interval 2/2

b, H(v), e

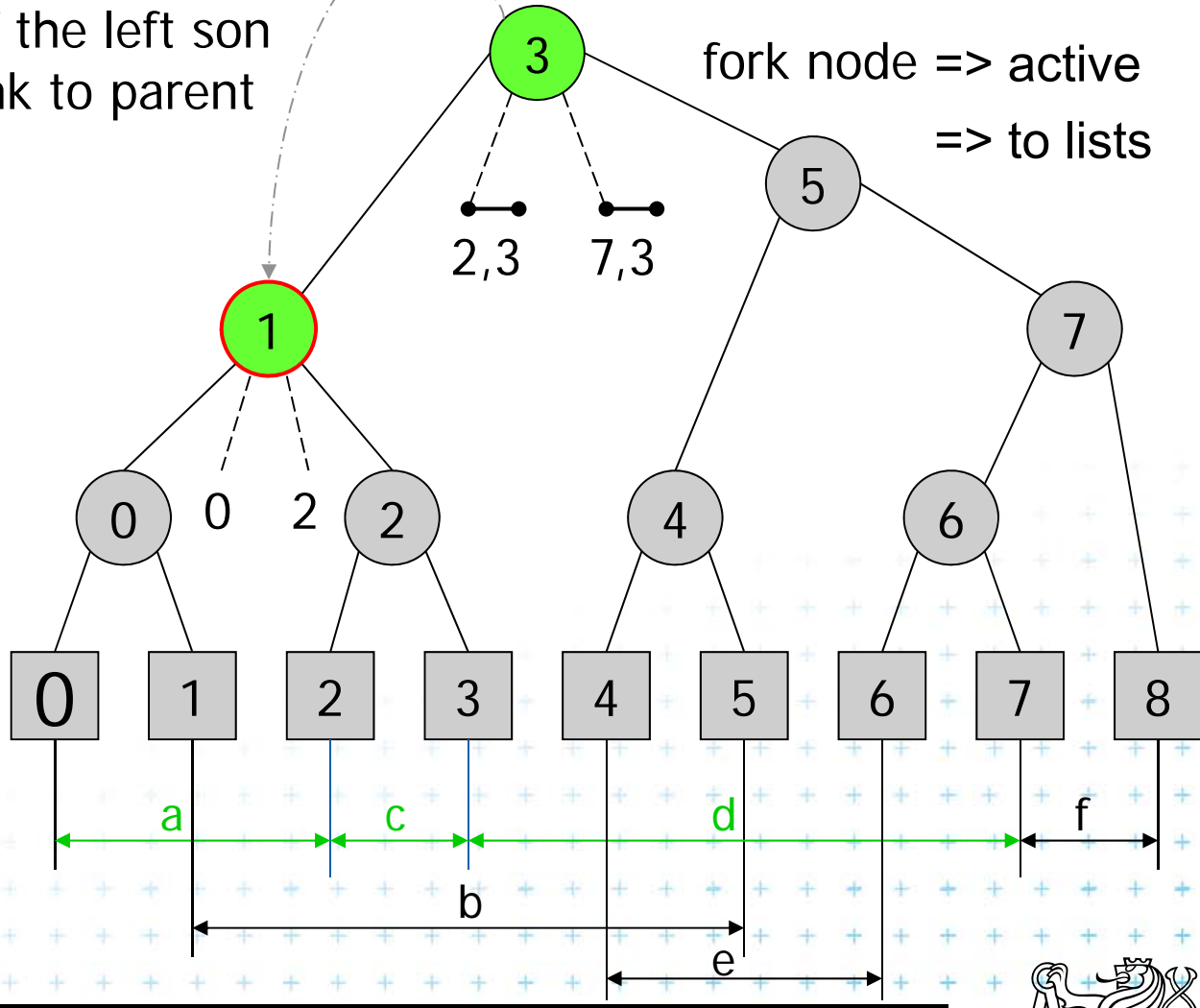
? 0, 1, 2 ?



Insert the new interval to secondary lists

of the left son
link to parent

fork node => active
=> to lists



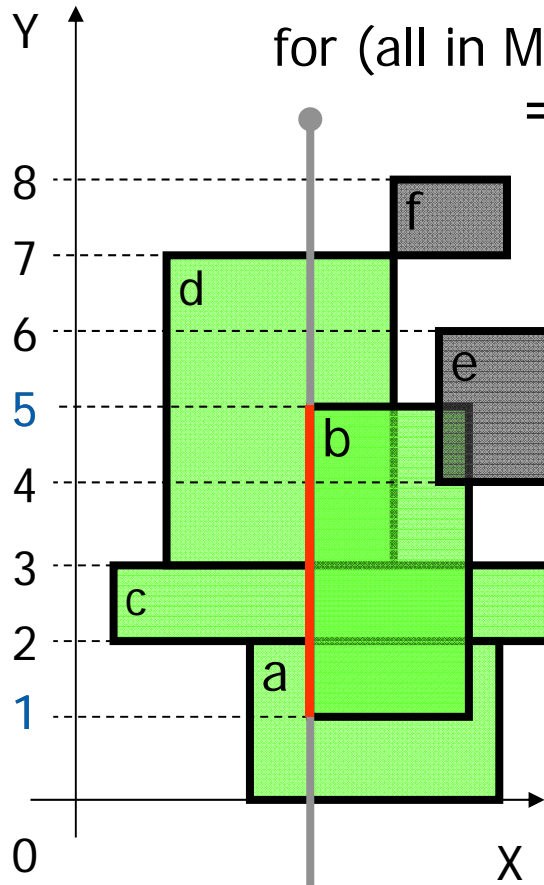
- Active rectangle
- Current node
- Active node



Insert [1,5] a) Query Interval 1/2

b ? $H(v) < e$

? 1 ? 3 ? 5 ?

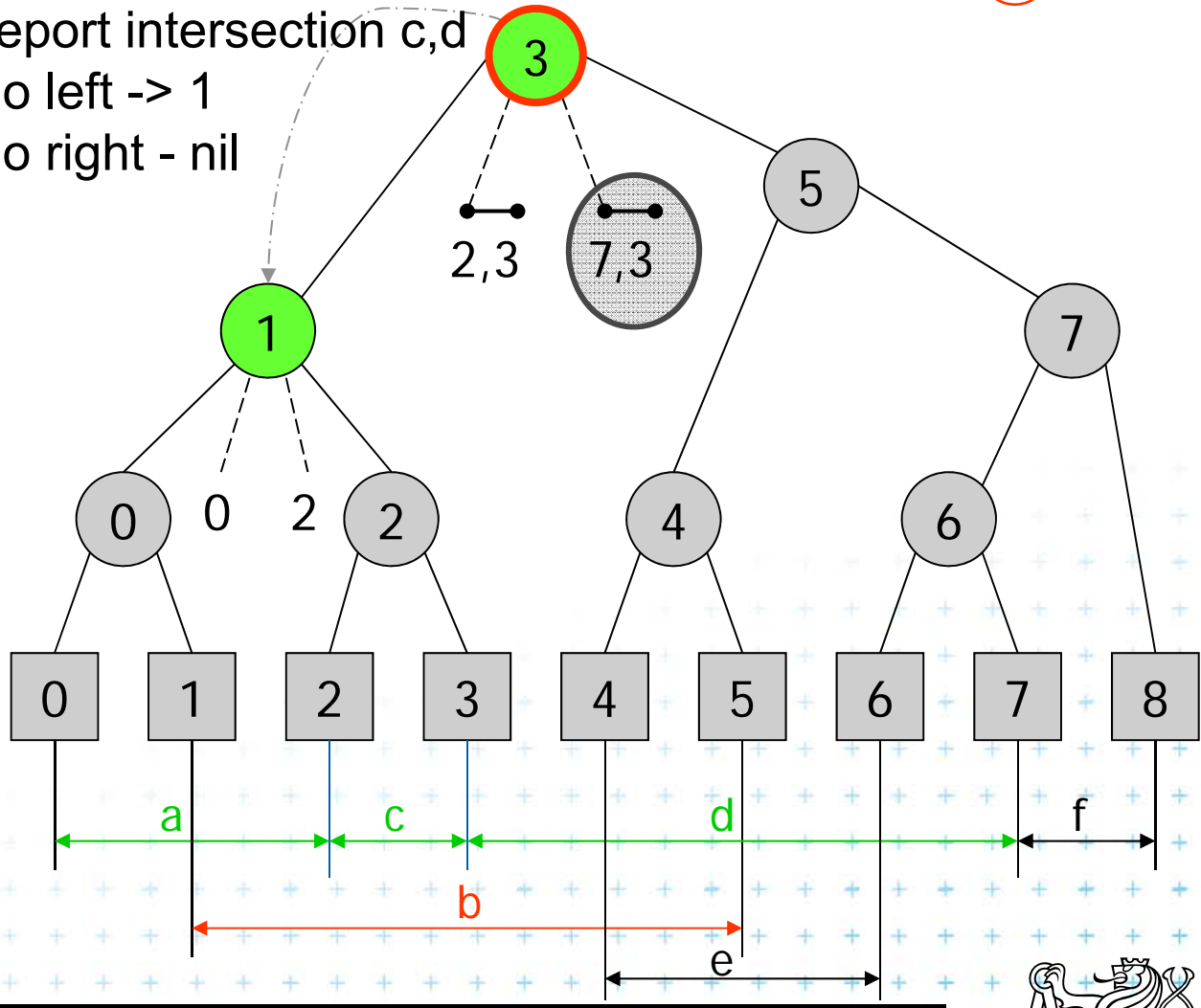





for (all in MR(v))

=> report intersection c,d

go left -> 1

go right - nil



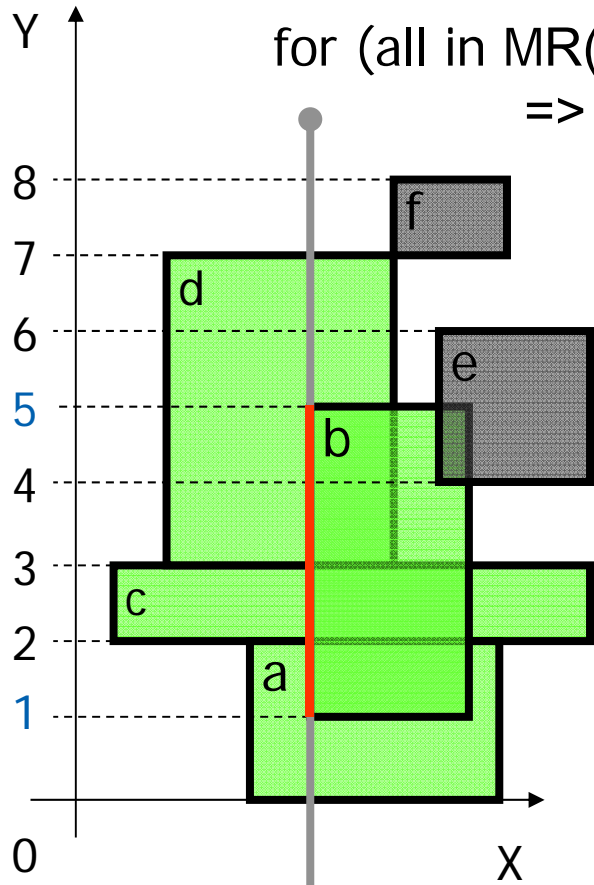
-  Active rectangle
-  Current node
-  Active node



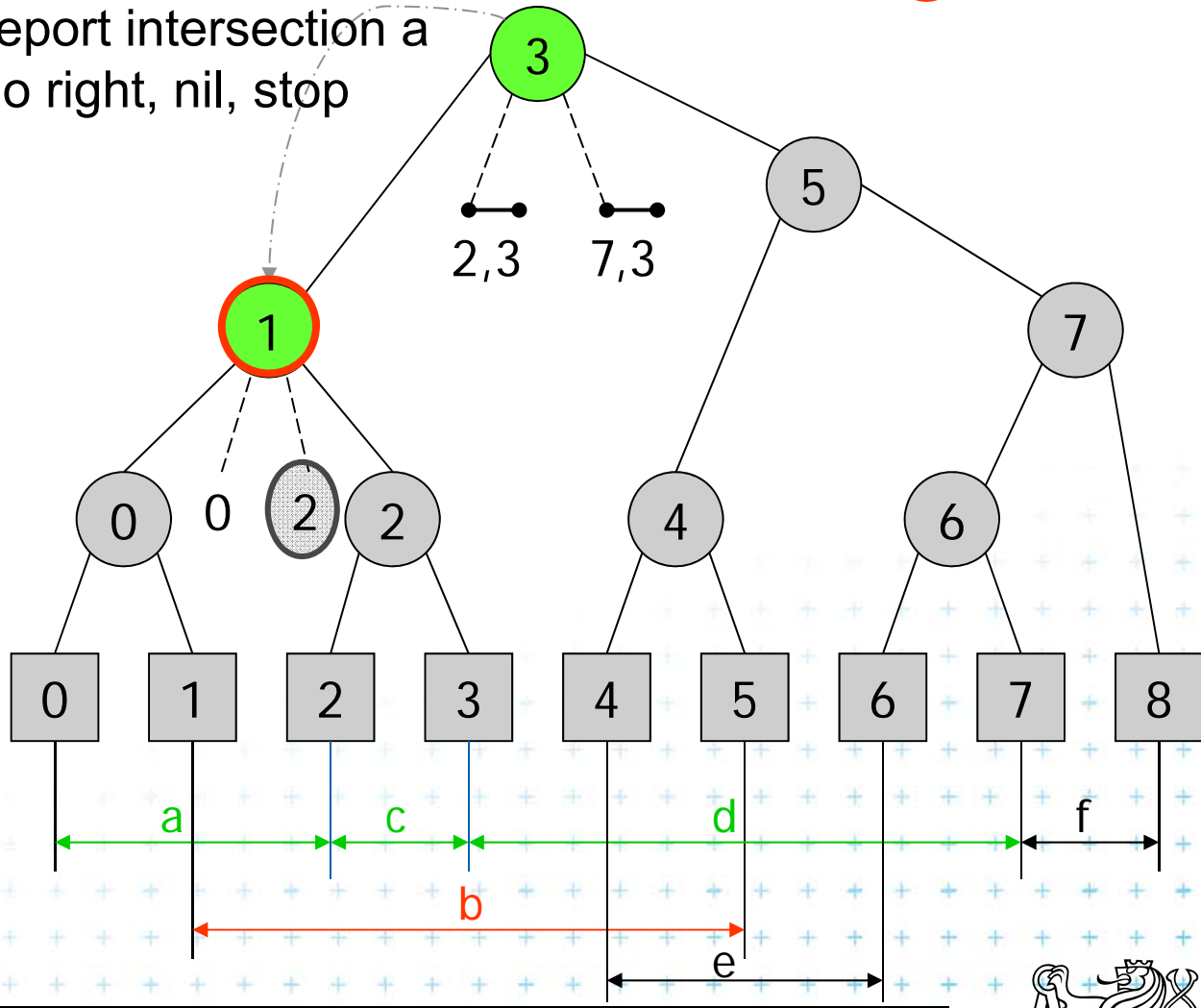
Insert [1,5] a) Query Interval 2/2

$H(v)$, b ? e

? 1 , 1 ? 5 ?



for (all in MR(v)) test MR(v)[i] - 1
=> report intersection a
go right, nil, stop



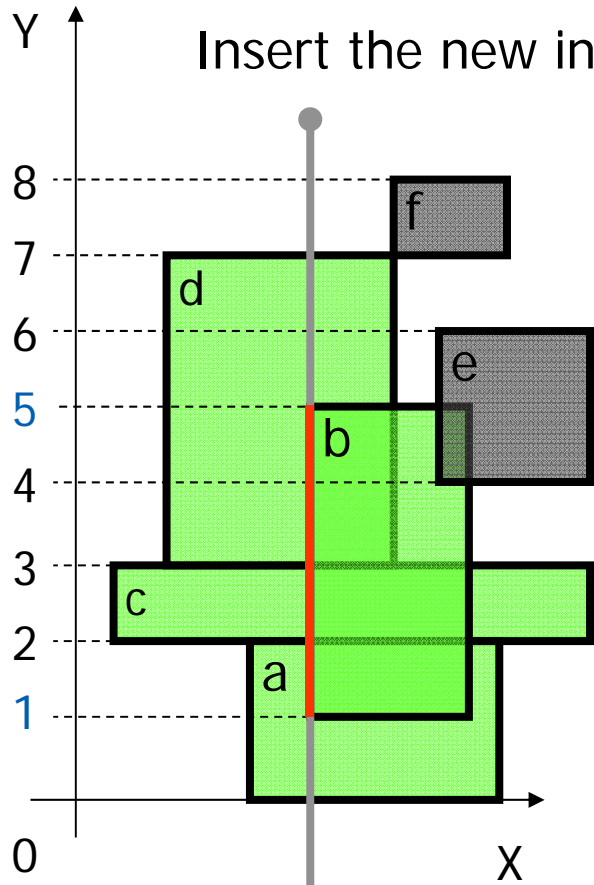
- Active rectangle
- Current node
- Active node



Insert [1,5] b) Insert Interval

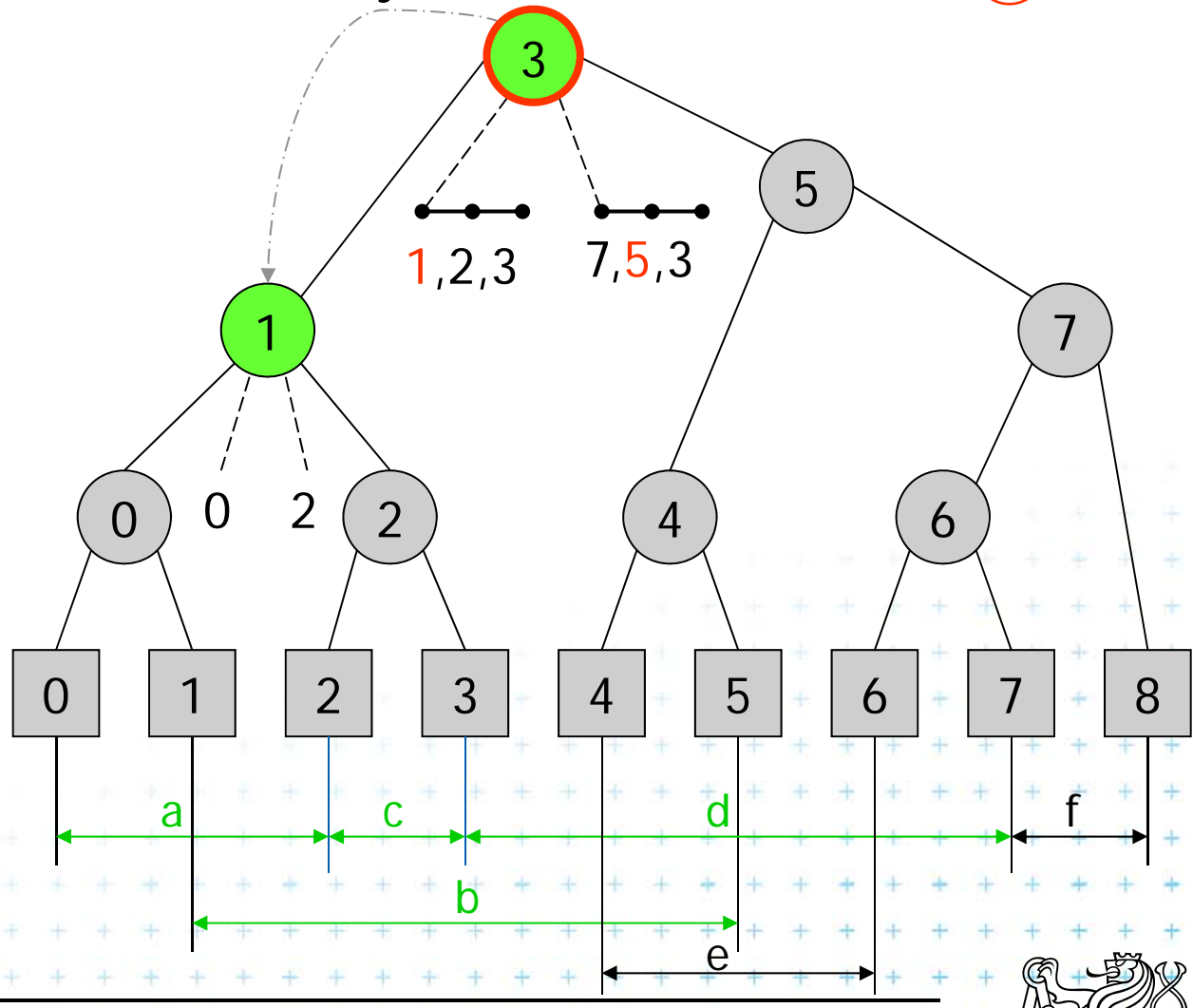
b, H(v), e

? 1, 3, 5 ?



Insert the new interval to secondary lists

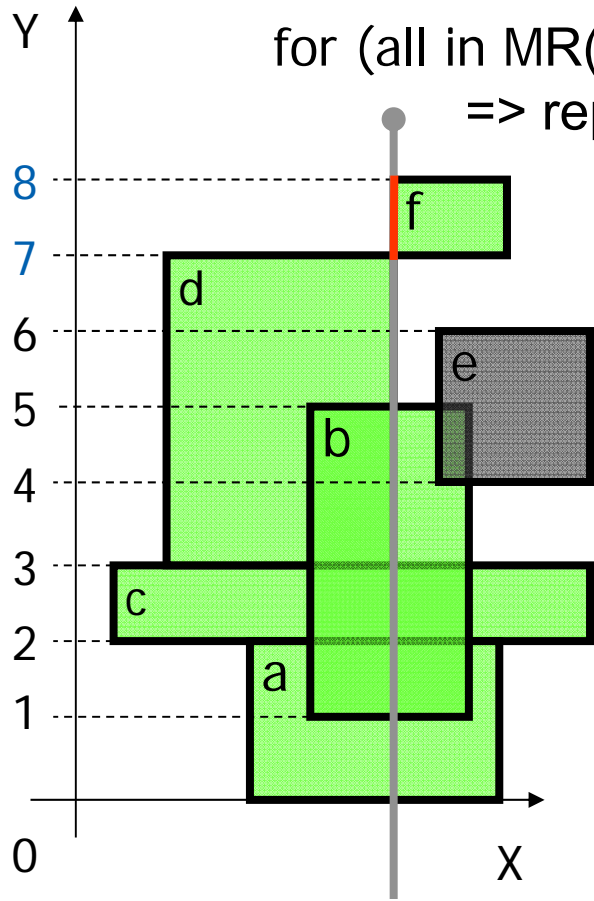
- Active rectangle
- Current node
- Active node






Insert [7,8] a) Query Interval

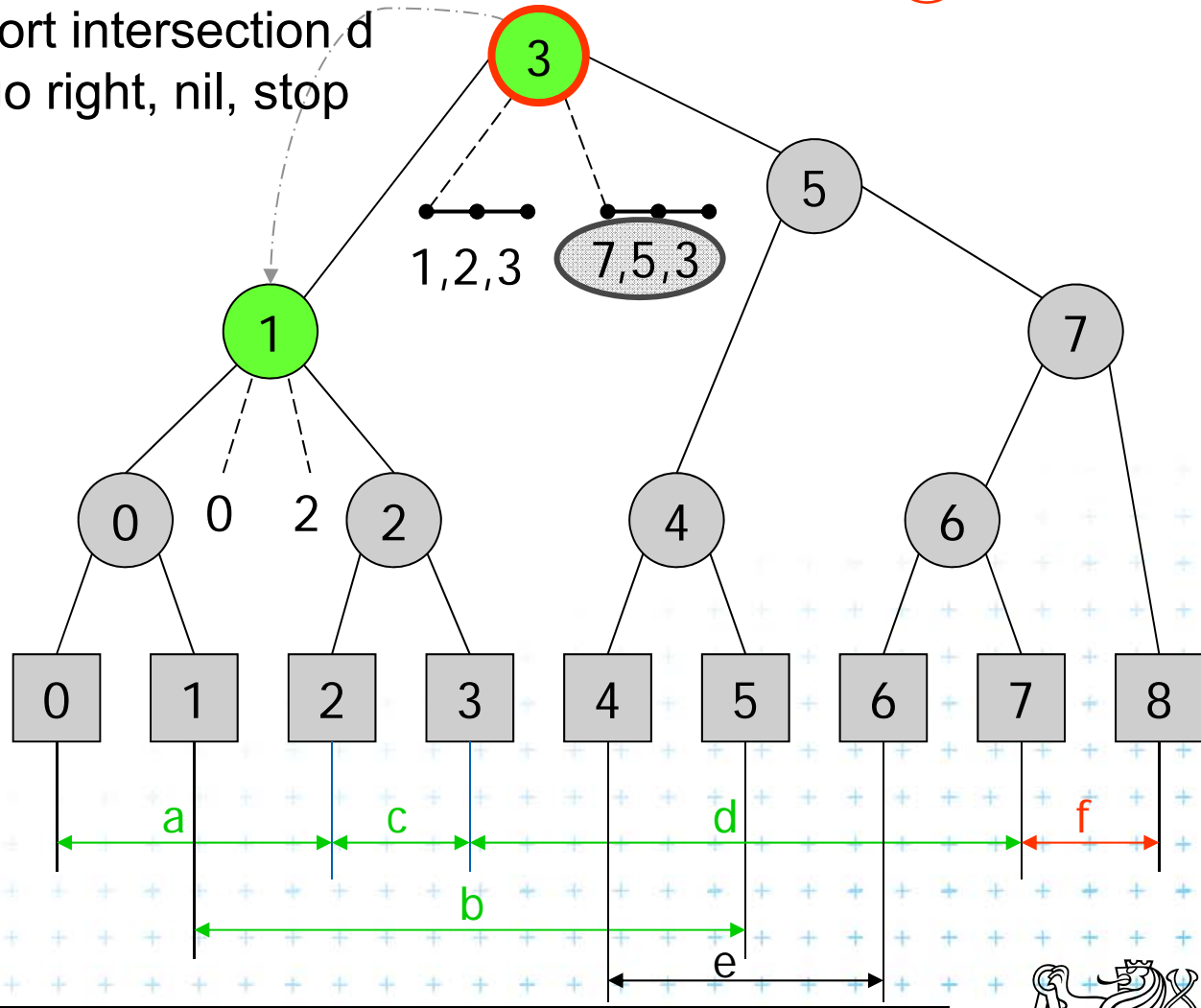
H(v) , b ? e

? 3 , 7 ? 8 ?



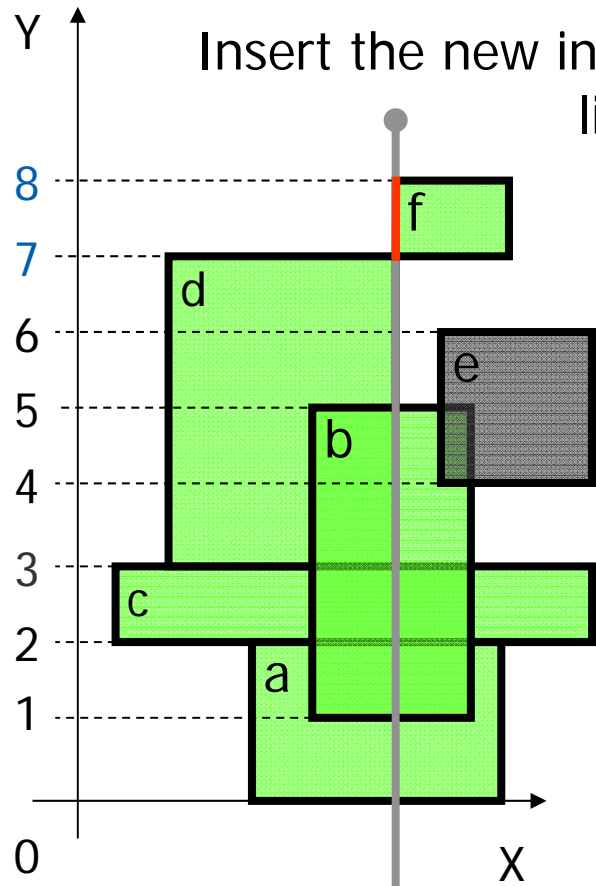
for (all in MR(v)) test MR(v).[i] - 7
=> report intersection d
go right, nil, stop

-  Active rectangle
-  Current node
-  Active node



Insert [7,8] b) Insert Interval

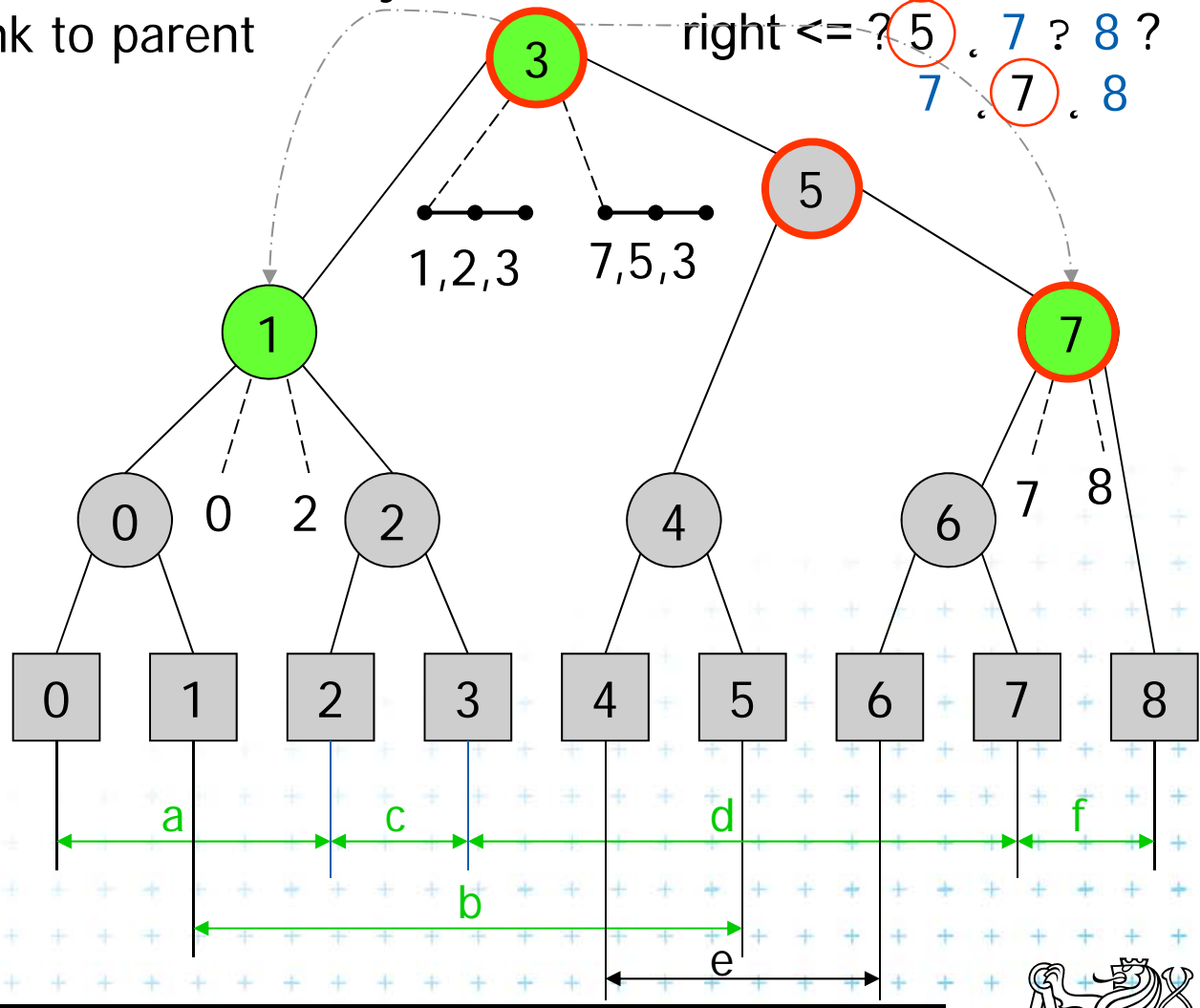
b, H(v), e



Insert the new interval to secondary lists

link to parent

right \leq ? 3, 7, 8 ?
 right \leq ? 5, 7, 8 ?
 7, 7, 8



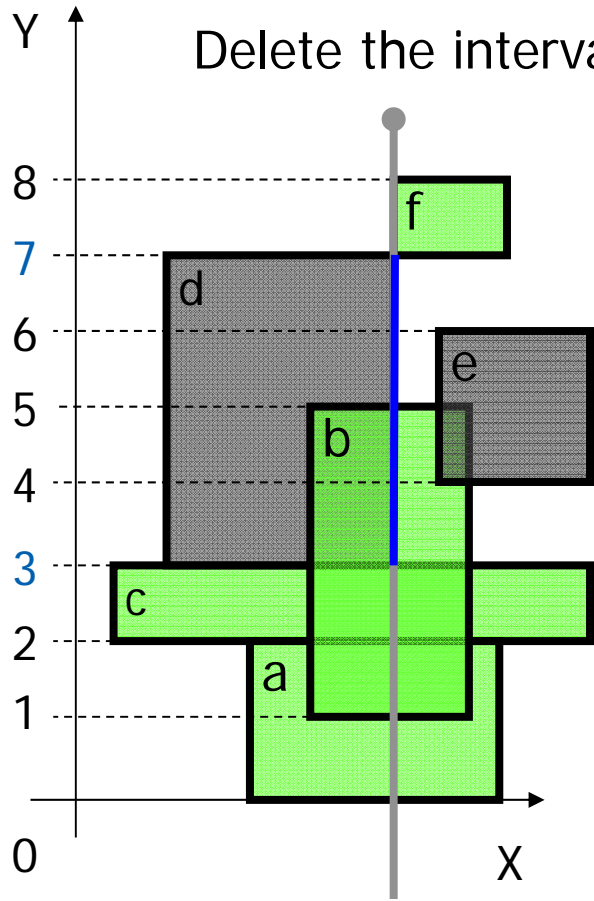
- Active rectangle
- Current node
- Active node



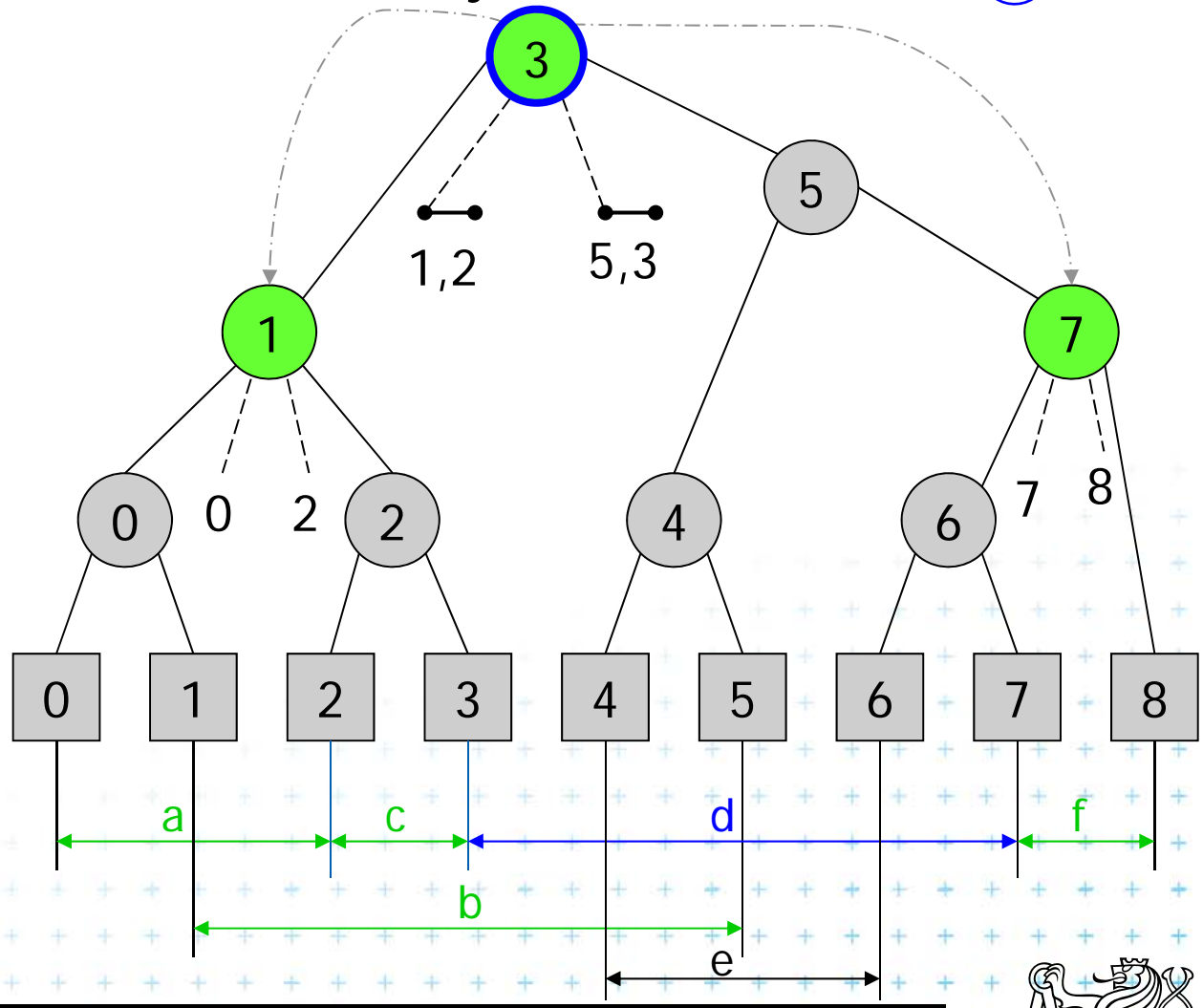
Delete [3,7] Delete Interval

b, H(v), e

? 3, 7, 8 ?



Delete the interval [3,7] from secondary lists

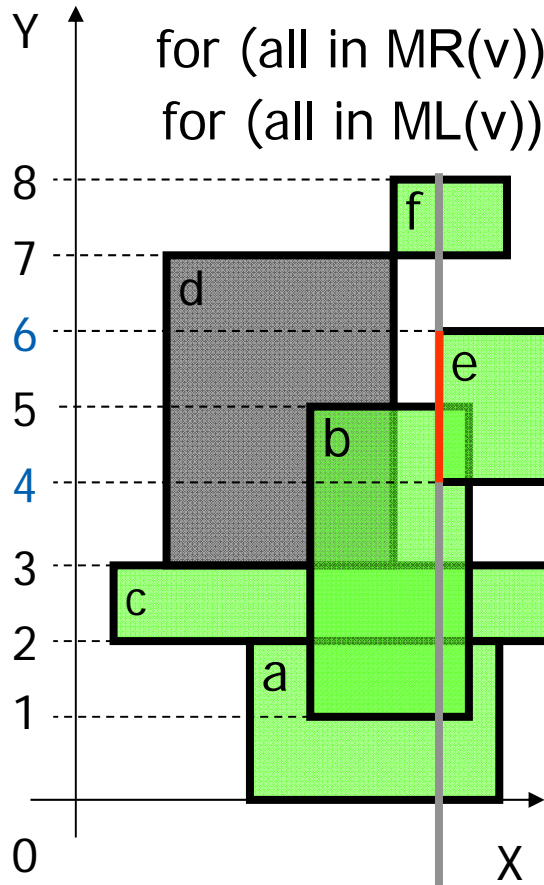


- Active rectangle
- Current node
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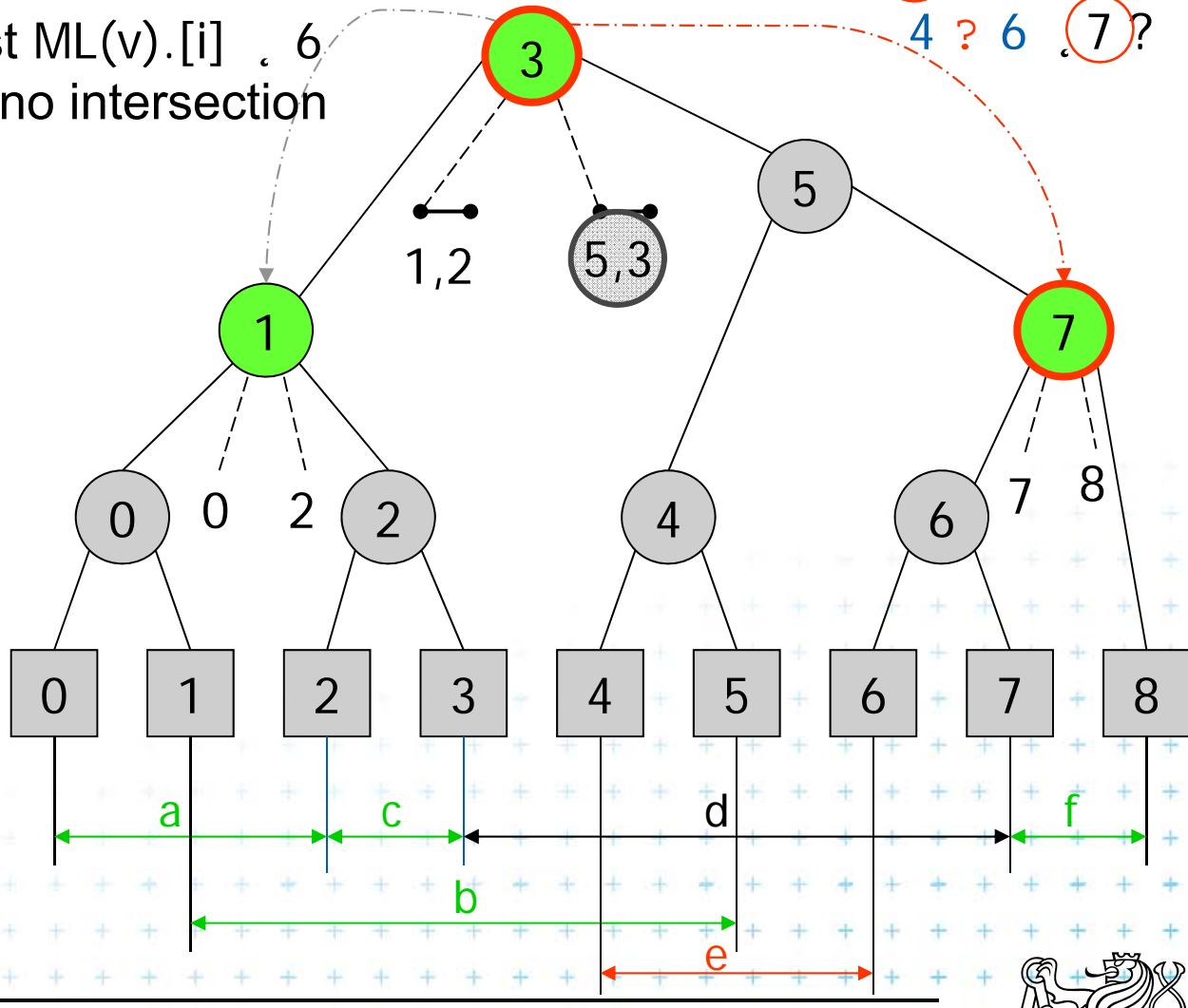


Insert [4,6] a) Query Interval

H(v) . b ? #



for (all in MR(v)) test MR(v).[i] - 4 => report intersection b 3, 4 ? 6 ?
 for (all in ML(v)) test ML(v).[i] . 6 => no intersection 4 ? 6, 7 ?

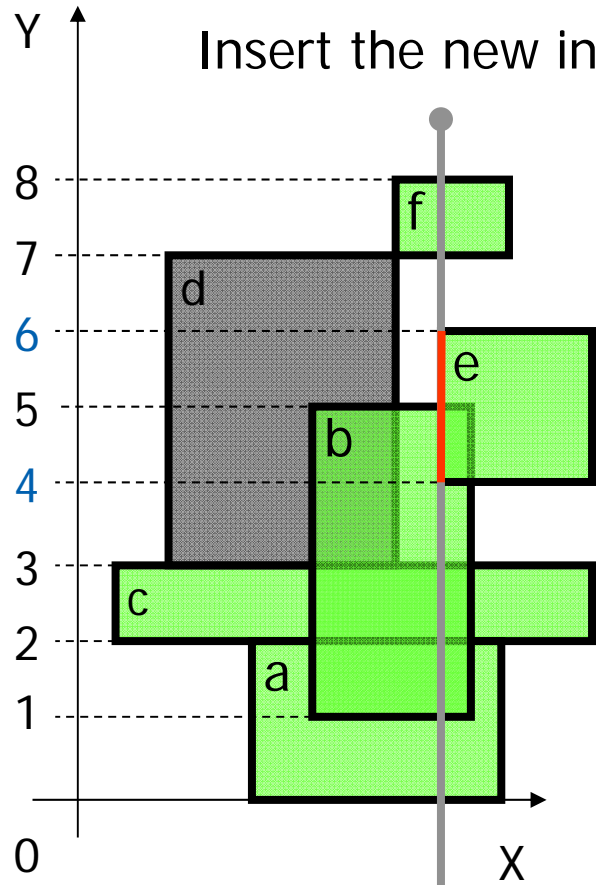


- Active rectangle
- Current node
- Active node



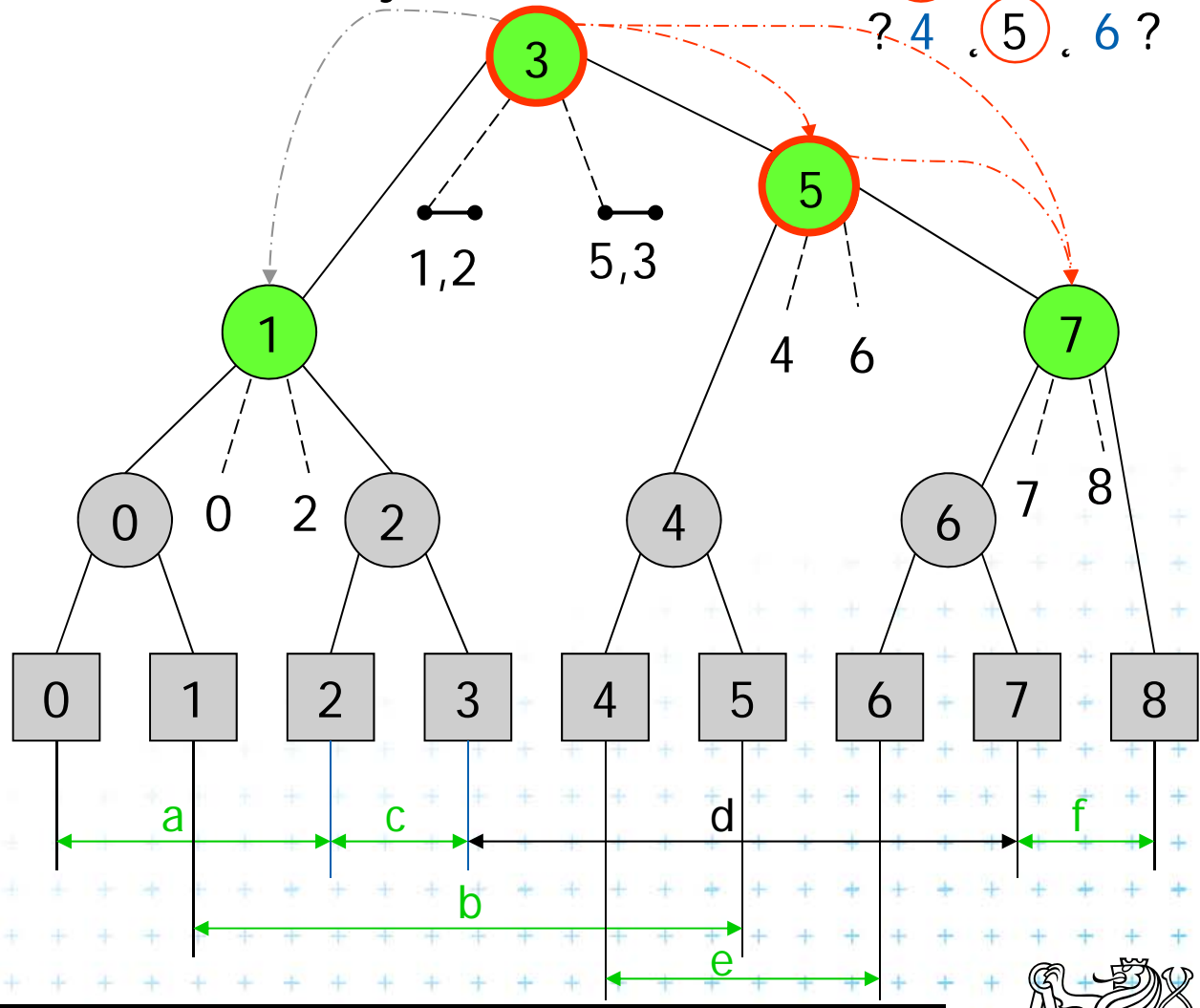
Insert [4,6] b) Insert Interval




$H(v)$, b ? #



Insert the new interval to secondary lists

? 3 , 4 ? 6 ?
? 4 , 5 , 6 ?



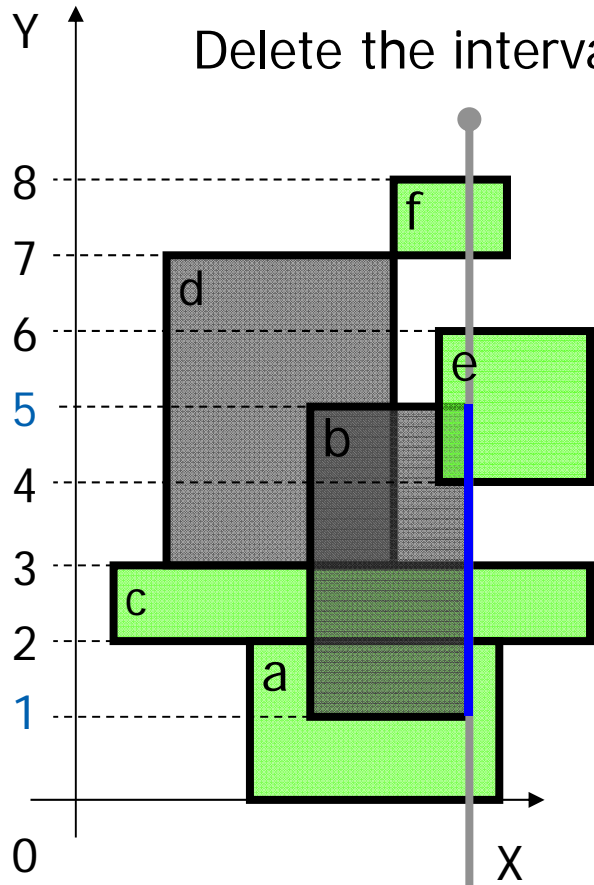
-  Active rectangle
-  Current node
-  Active node



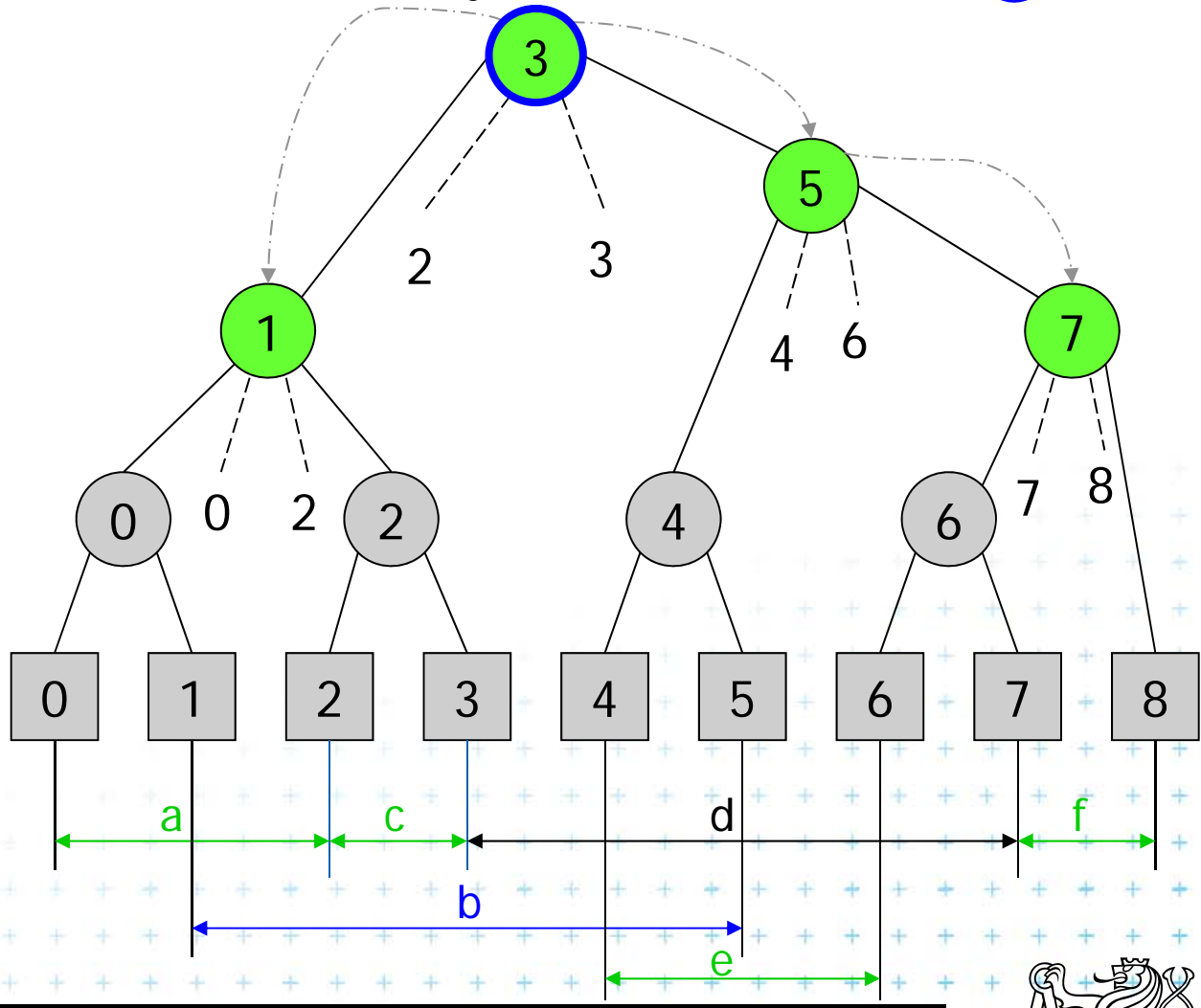
Delete [1,5] Delete Interval

$b \leq H(v) \leq e$

? 1 3 . 5 ?



Delete the interval [1,5] from secondary lists



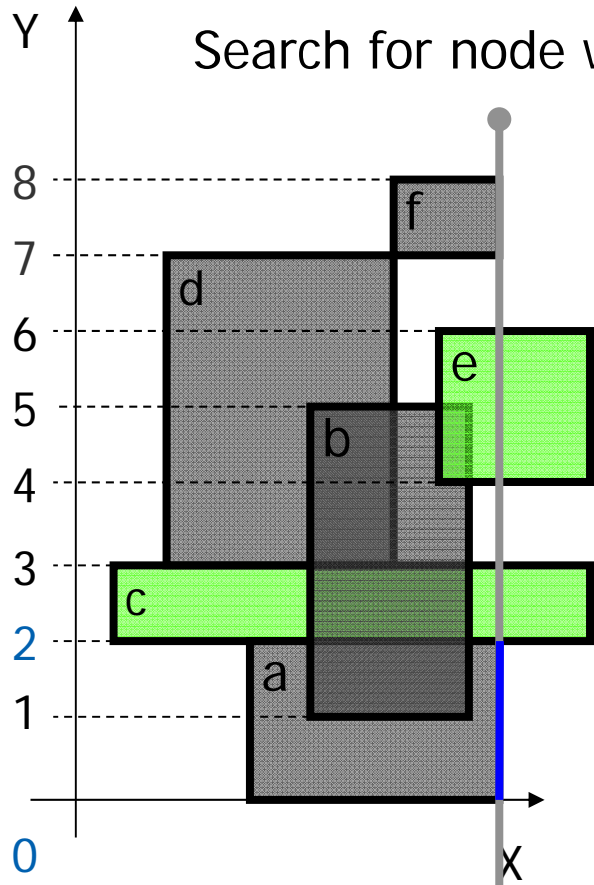
- Active rectangle
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- Active node



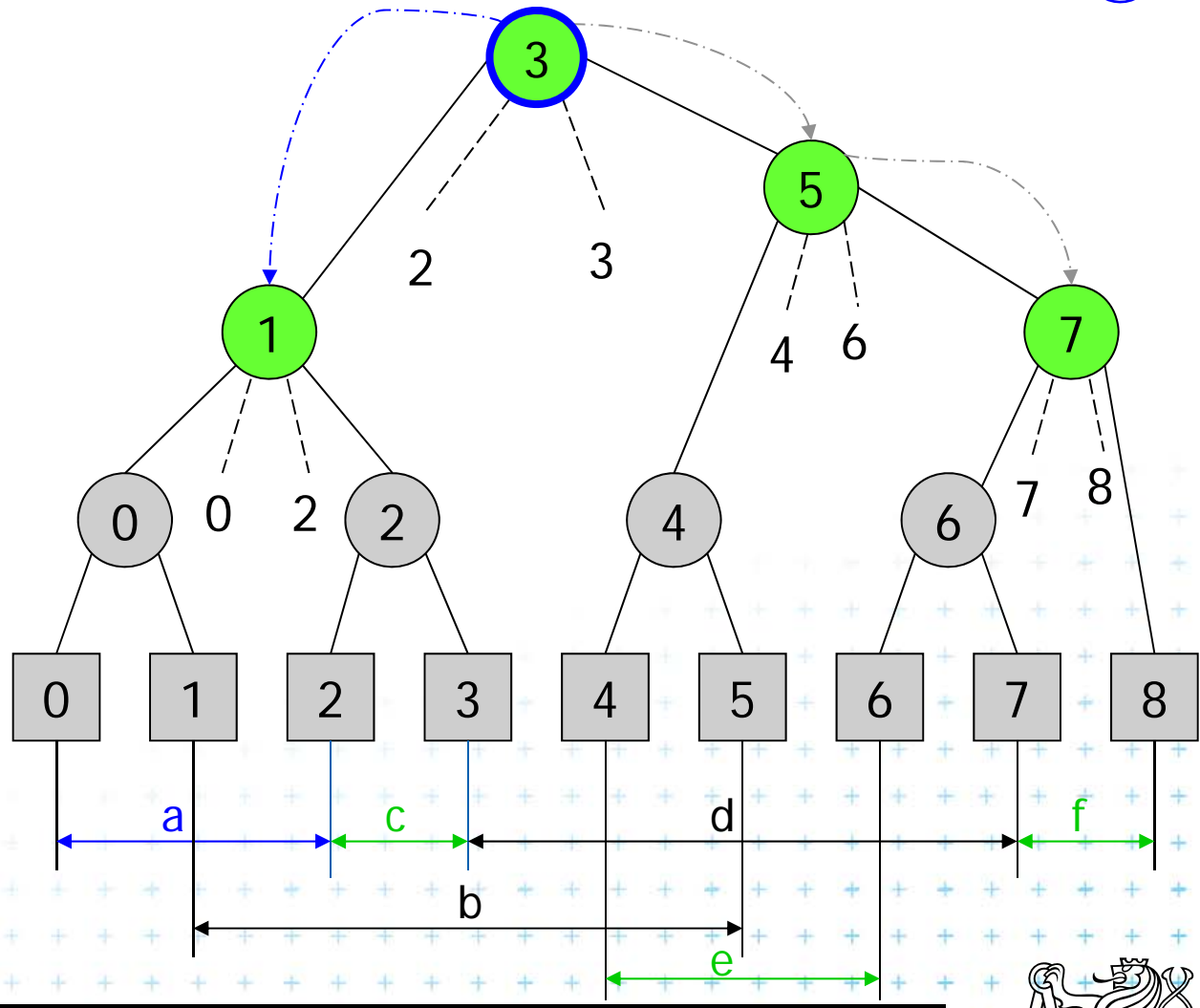
Delete [0,2] Delete Interval 1/2




$b \neq H(v)$

? 0 ? 2 (3?)



Search for node with interval [0,2]

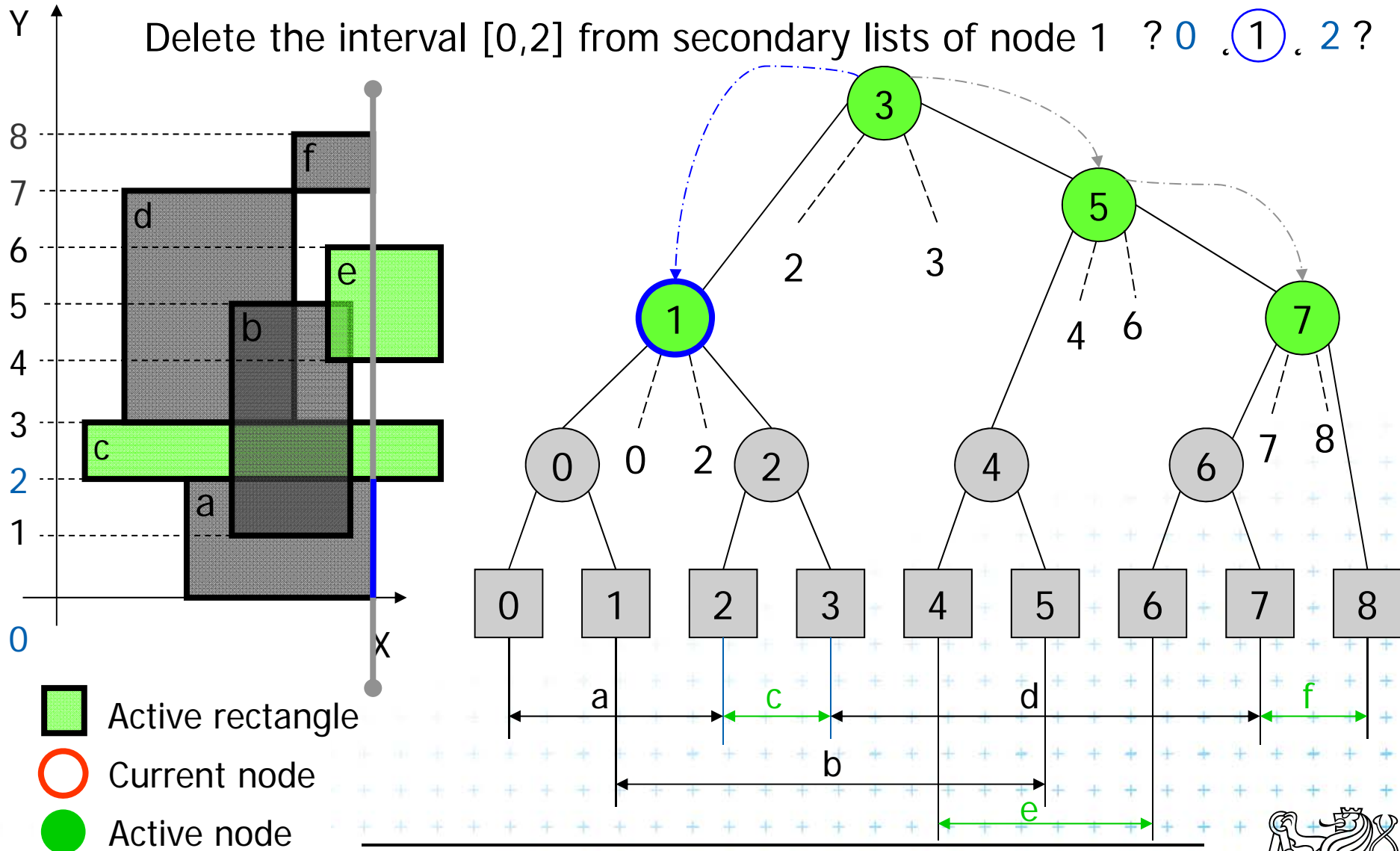


-  Active rectangle
-  Current node
-  Active node



Delete [0,2] Delete Interval 2/2

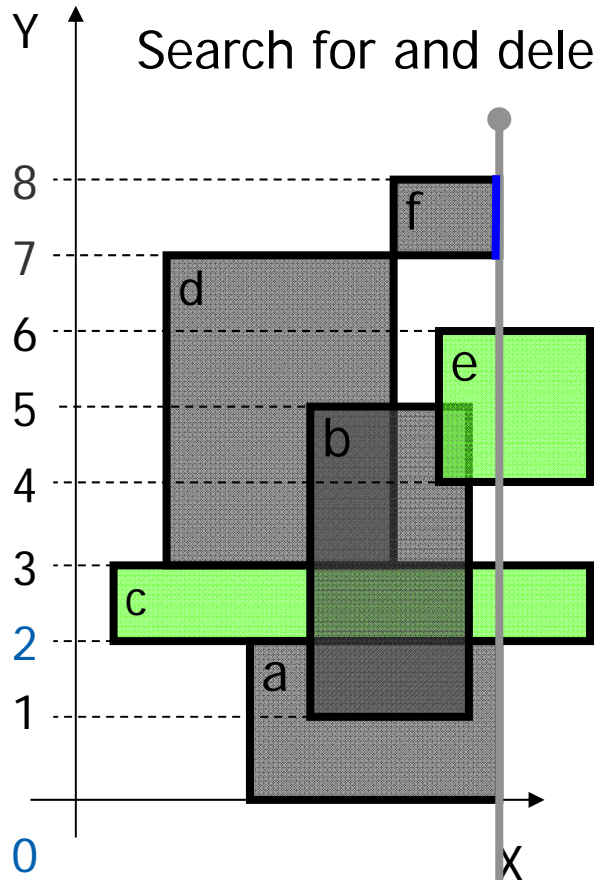
b, H(v), e



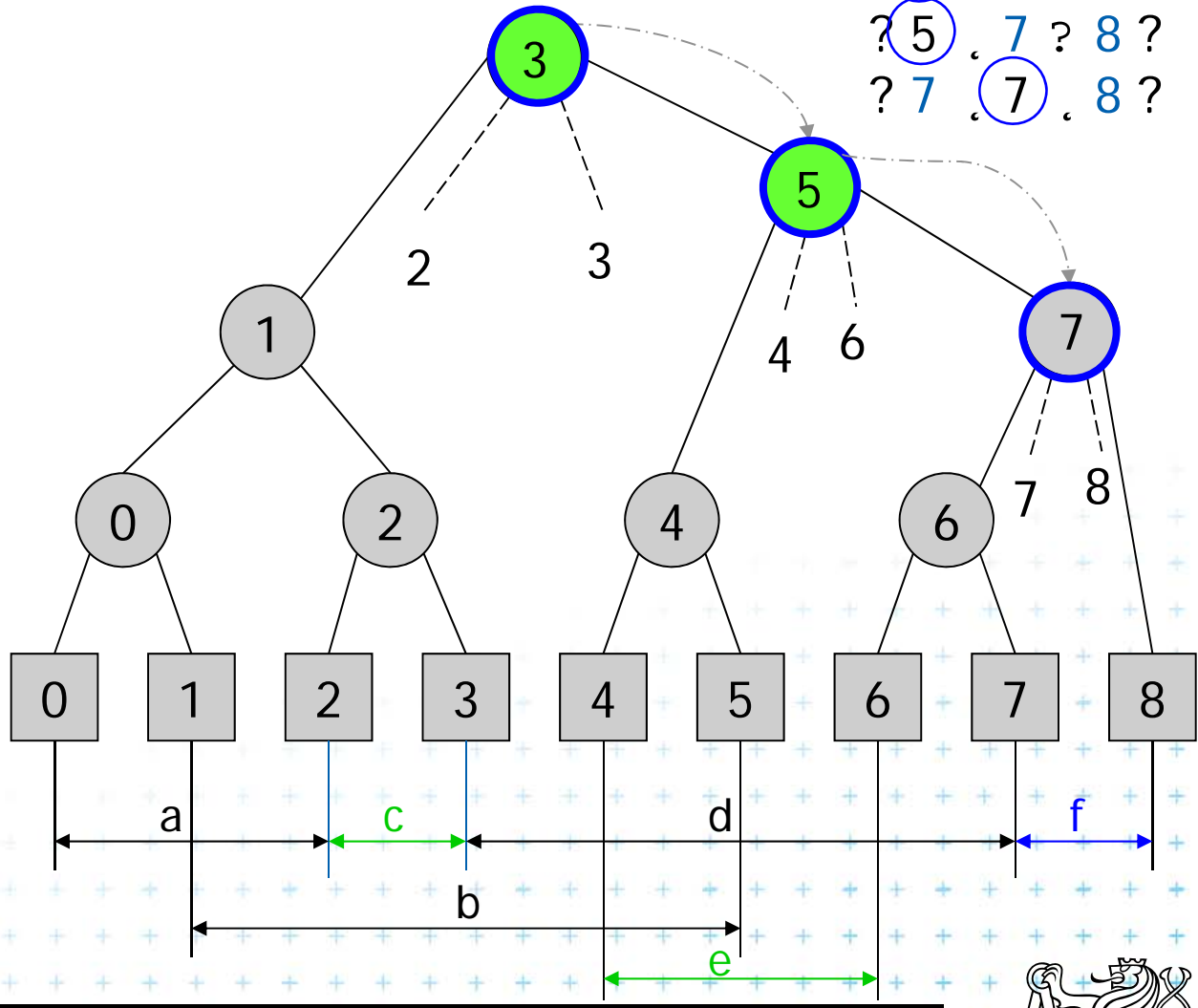
Delete [7,8] Delete Interval




$b, H(v), e$

? 3 ? 7 ? 8 ?
 ? 5 ? 7 ? 8 ?
 ? 7 ? 7 ? 8 ?



Search for and delete node with interval [7,8]



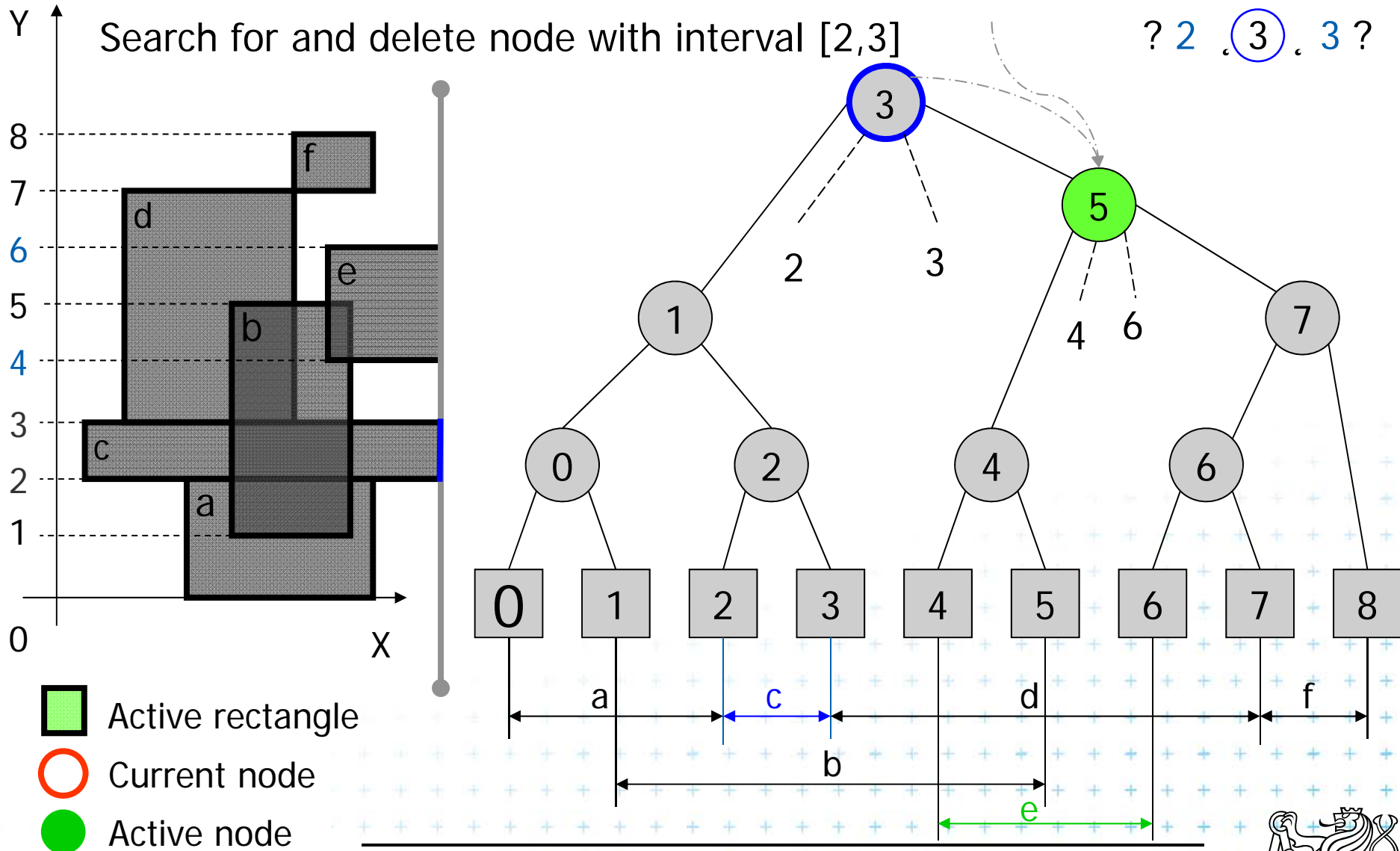
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-  Active node



Delete [2,3] Delete Interval

$b \leq H(v) \leq e$

? 2 3 . 3 ?



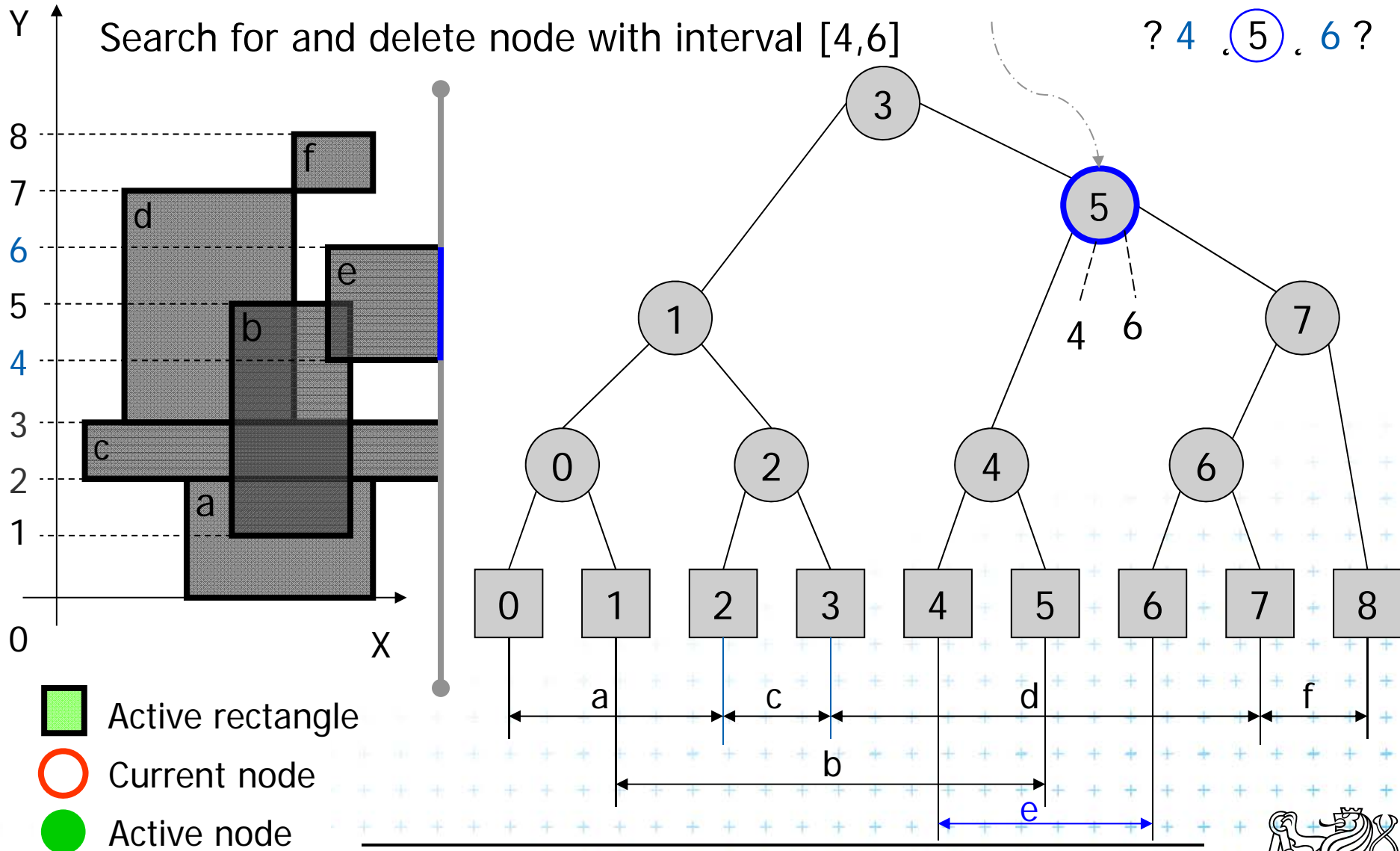
- Active rectangle
- Current node
- Active node



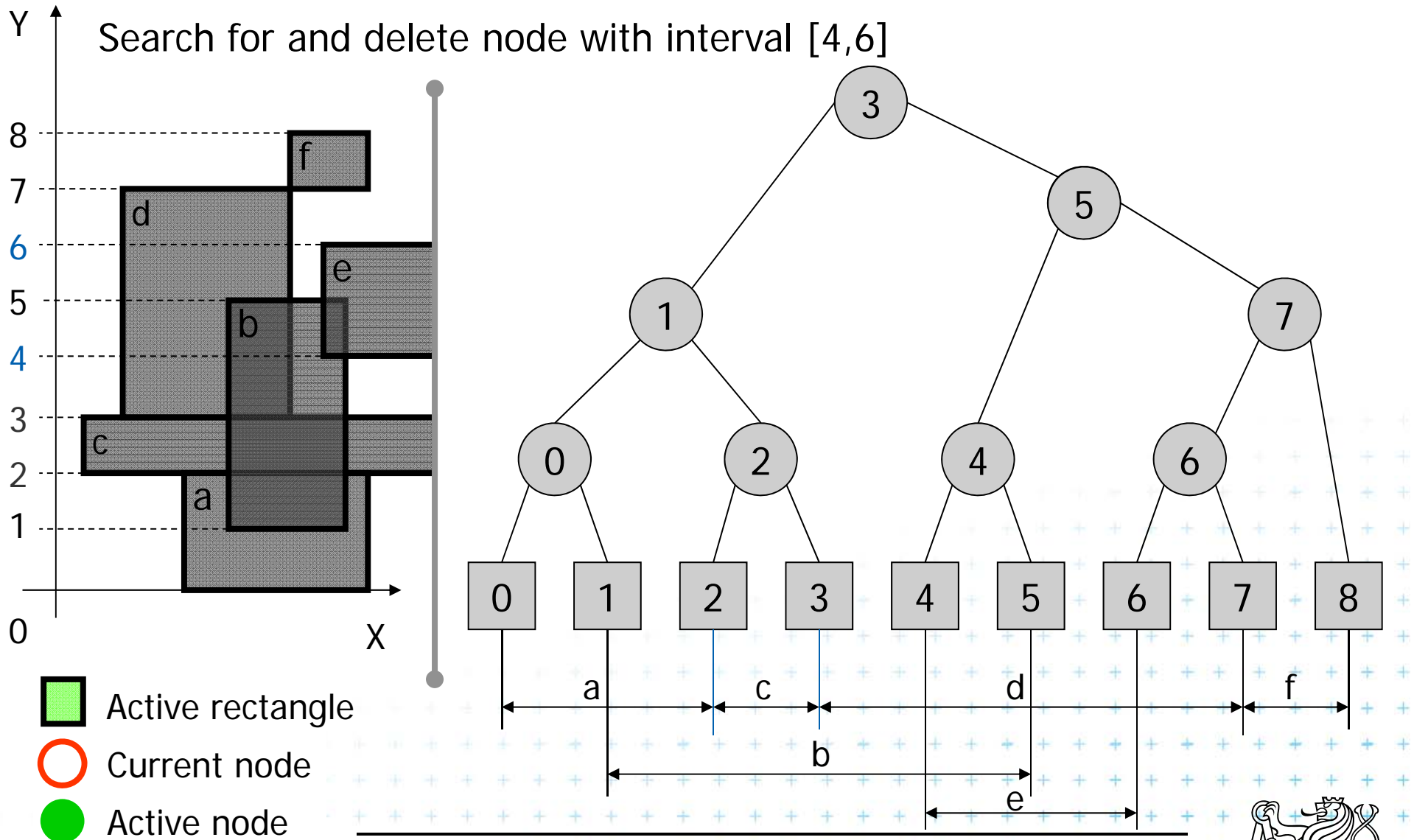
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b . H(v) . e

? 4 . 5 . 6 ?



Delete [4,6] Delete Interval



Complexities of rectangle intersections

- n rectangles, s intersected pairs found
- $O(n \log n)$ preprocessing time to separately sort
 - x-coordinates of the rectangles for the plane sweep
 - the y-coordinates for initializing the interval tree.
- The plane sweep itself takes $O(n \log n + s)$ time, so the overall time is $O(n \log n + s)$
- $O(n)$ space
- This time is optimal for a decision-tree algorithm (i.e., one that only makes comparisons between rectangle coordinates).



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