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- Now G has too few keys.
- So move its parent down



B+ Tree (Backward from stvincent's explanation)

