

Know more about Recursion :

As we know that for every Recursive Call separate StackFrame would be created. Working with Recursion is a costly job, as its going to occupy more space and also there is a limit for StackFrames .

Unhandily way of Recursion could cause StackOverflow.

To avoid this we should use Recursion only when it is needed.

Thumb rule for a Recursion Problem is , for a Recursive problem , we always take a decision based on choice. Here choice is either include or exclude.

For Ex : given input "ab" find out all the possible subsets

Output : "" , "a" , "b" , "ab"

If you take a look at output



| output | a | b |
|--------|---|---|
| "" | ✗ | ✗ |
| a | ✓ | ✗ |
| b | ✗ | ✓ |
| ab | ✓ | ✓ |

1. For subset "" empty String we excluded 'a' & 'b'
2. For subset "a" we include 'a' & exclude 'b'
3. For subset "b" we excluded 'a' & included 'b'
4. For subset "ab" we include 'a' & 'b'

Steps to work with Recursion :

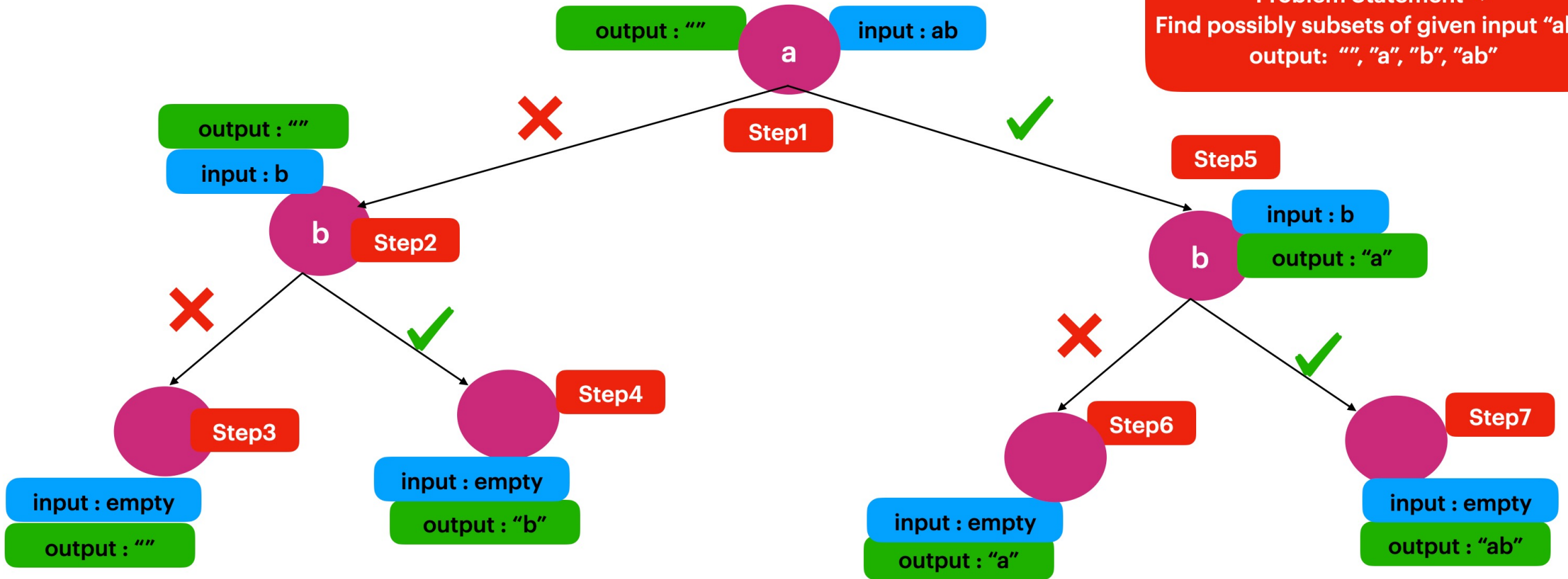
When we are working with Recursion first think about the base condition.

Base Condition => Always be the smallest possible value for a given use case.

Recursion Tree => Draw a Recursion Tree , for every sub problem you will find two possible nodes , one is with exclude and other is with include.

Write the Code => We can solve any Recursion problem with two lines of code.

Problem Statement =>
Find possibly subsets of given input "ab".
output: "", "a", "b", "ab"



Time Complexity : 2^n
Space Complexity : $O(n)$

```
public void subSets(String input, String output)
{
    if(input.isEmpty())
    {
        System.out.println(output);
        return;
    }

    //Exclude
    subSets(input.substring(1), output);

    //Include
    subSets(input.substring(1), output+input.charAt(0));
}
```

Problem Statement =>
Find possibly subsets of given input
"abc".
output: "", "a", "b", "c", "ab", "ac", "bc", "abc"

