

RECURSION/DFS

Question: Flood fill problem.

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<https://leetcode.com/problems/flood-fill/>

1	1	1
1	1	0
0	0	0



2	2	2
2	2	0
0	0	0

1	1	1
1	1	0
0	0	0



2	1	1
1	1	0
0	0	0

2	2	1
2	1	0
0	0	0



2	2	2
2	2	0
0	0	0

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1  # Flood fill
2  class Solution(object):
3      def utilDFS(self, image, r, c, newColor, color):
4          if(image[r][c] == color):
5              image[r][c] = newColor
6              if(r>=1):
7                  self.utilDFS(image, r-1, c, newColor, color)
8              if(c>=1):
9                  self.utilDFS(image, r, c-1, newColor, color)
10             if(r<len(image) -1):
11                 self.utilDFS(image, r+1, c, newColor, color)
12             if(c<len(image[0]) -1):
13                 self.utilDFS(image, r, c+1, newColor, color)
14
15     def floodFill(self, image, sr, sc, newColor):
16         color = image[sr][sc]
17         if (color != newColor):
18             self.utilDFS(image, sr, sc, newColor, color);
19         return image

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TIME COMPLEXITY - $O(N)$, SPACE COMPLEXITY - $O(N)$ [Call stack for DFS]

Question: Given a non-empty 2D array grid of 0's and 1's, an island is a group of 1's (representing land) connected 4-directionally (horizontal or vertical.) You may assume all four edges of the grid are surrounded by water.

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<https://leetcode.com/problems/max-area-of-island/>

In the context of this question, what is the area of the island ?

0	0	1	0	0	0	0
1	1	1	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0	1	1	1
0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	0	0	0
0	1	0	0	1	0	0
0	0	0	1	0	0	0

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0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	0	0	0
0	1	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	1	1	0	0

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1  # Max area of island
2  class Solution(object):
3      def maxAreaOfIsland(self, grid):
4          seen = set()
5          def area(r, c):
6              if not (0 <= r < len(grid) and 0 <= c < len(grid[0])
7                  and (r, c) not in seen and grid[r][c]):
8                  return 0
9              seen.add((r, c))
10             return (1 + area(r+1, c) + area(r-1, c) +
11                 area(r, c-1) + area(r, c+1))
12
13         return max(area(r, c)
14             for r in range(len(grid))
15             for c in range(len(grid[0])))

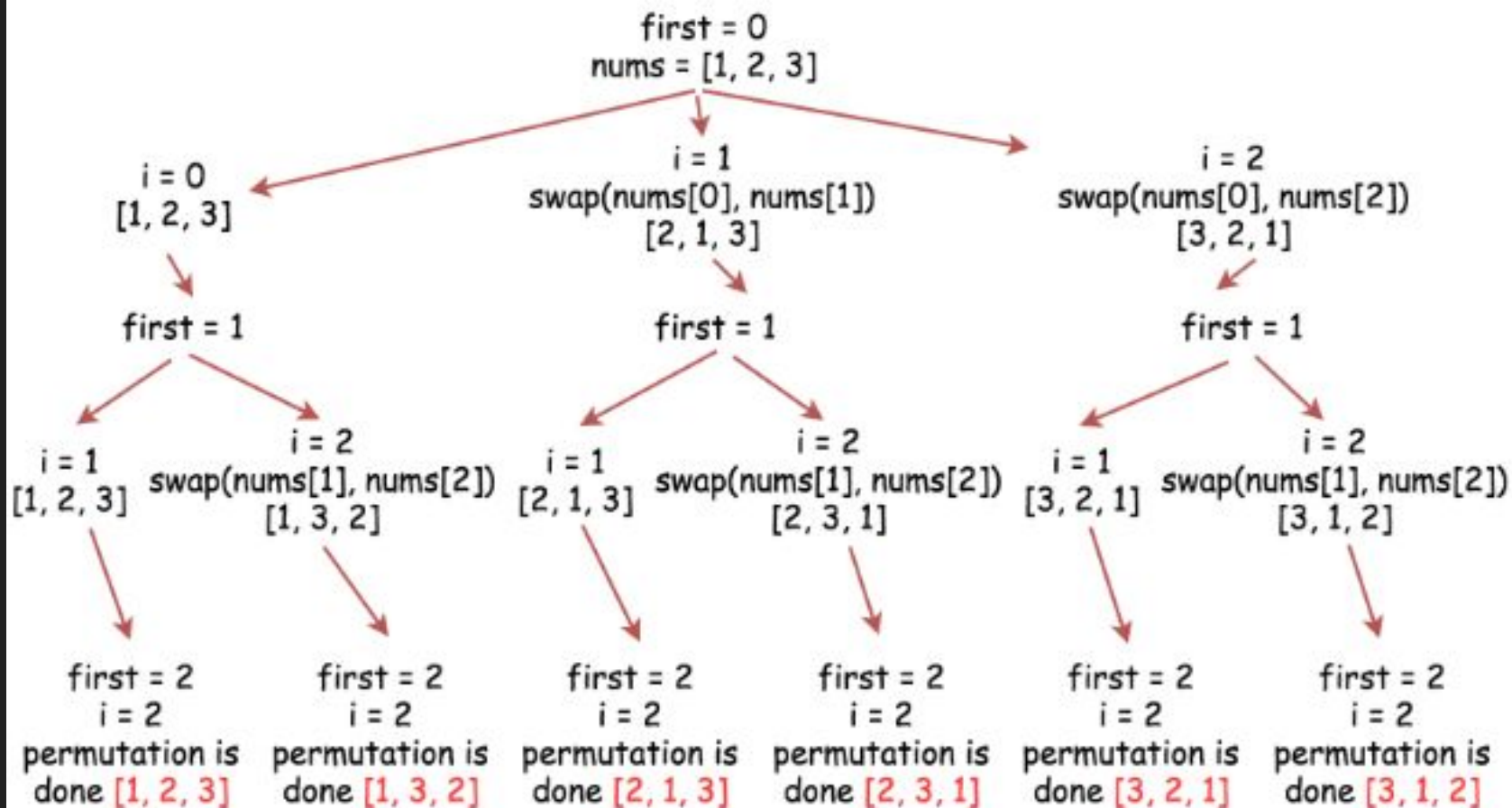
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TIME COMPLEXITY and SPACE COMPLEXITY - $O(M*N)$, where $M \times N$ are dimensions

Question: Given a collection of distinct integers, return all possible permutations.

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<https://leetcode.com/problems/permutations/>





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1  # Permutations
2  class Solution:
3      def backtrack(self, nums, first, n, output):
4          # if all integers are used up
5          if first == n:
6              output.append(nums[:])
7          for i in range(first, n):
8              # place i-th integer first
9              # in the current permutation
10             nums[first], nums[i] = nums[i], nums[first]
11             # use next integers to complete the permutations
12             self.backtrack(nums, first + 1, n, output)
13             # backtrack
14             nums[first], nums[i] = nums[i], nums[first]
15
16
17  def permute(self, nums):
18      """
19      :type nums: List[int]
20      :rtype: List[List[int]]
21      """
22      n = len(nums)
23      output = []
24      self.backtrack(nums, 0, n, output)
25      return output

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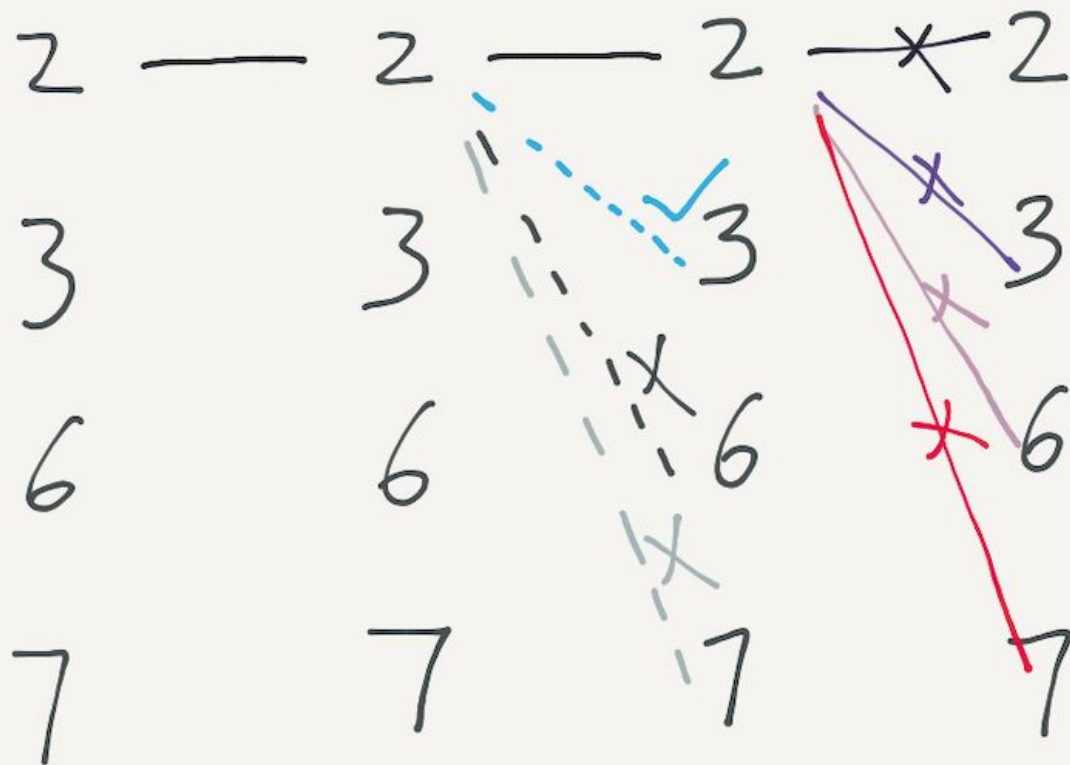
TIME
 COMPLEXITY -
 $O(N \cdot N!)$ and
 SPACE
 COMPLEXITY -
 $O(N!)$

Question: Given a set of candidate numbers (candidates) (without duplicates) and a target number (target), find all unique combinations in candidates where the candidate numbers sums to target.

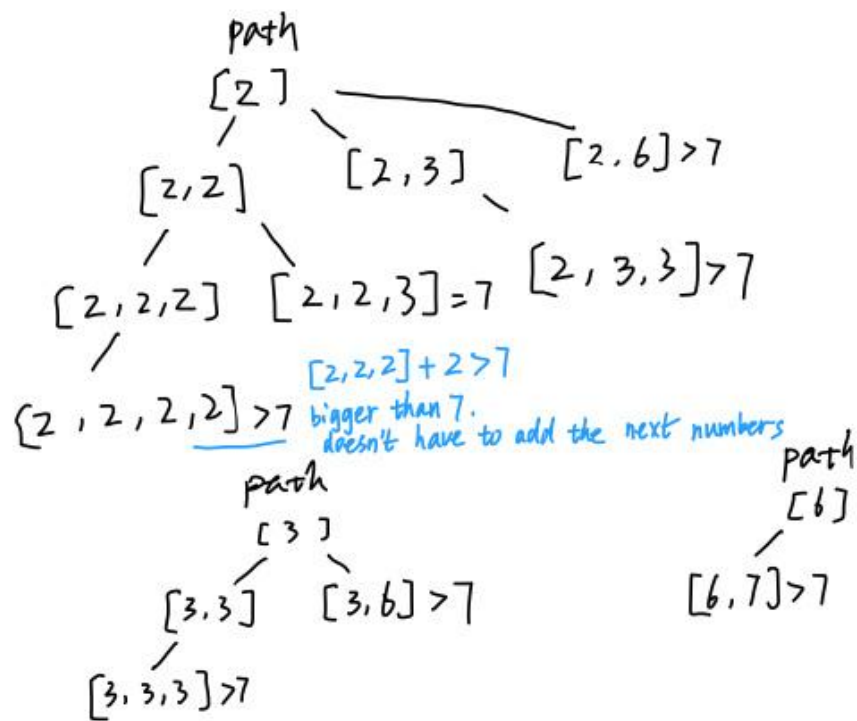
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<https://leetcode.com/problems/combination-sum/>

Target = 7



candidates = [2, 3, 6, 7], Target = 7



path

[7] = 7

⇒ res = [[2, 2, 3], [7]]

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1 # Combination Sum
2 class Solution:
3     def recurse(self, curr_comb, curr_sum, j, T, C, sol):
4         if curr_sum == T:
5             sol.append(curr_comb.copy())
6         elif curr_sum < T:
7             for i in range(j, len(C)):
8                 curr_comb.append(C[i])
9                 self.recurse(curr_comb, curr_sum + C[i], i, T, C, sol)
10                curr_comb.pop()
11     def combinationSum(self, C: List[int], T: int) -> List[List[int]]:
12         sol = []
13         self.recurse([], 0, 0, T, C, sol)
14         return sol
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[1]
[2]
[2, 2]
[2, 2, 2]
[2, 2, 2, 2]
[2, 2, 2, 3]
[2, 2, 2, 6]
[2, 2, 2, 7]
[2, 2, 3]
[2, 2, 6]
[2, 2, 7]
[2, 3]
[2, 3, 3]
[2, 3, 6]
[2, 3, 7]
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[3]
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[6]
[6, 6]
[6, 7]
[7]

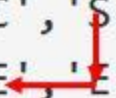
Question: Given a 2D board and a word, find if the word exists in the grid.

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<https://leetcode.com/problems/word-search/>

T	H	S	M	A	L	L	T	R	P	T	L	A
E	A	P	C	R	S	R	P	S	P	B	L	S
E	L	I	C	F	T	O	S	P	A	R	Q	H
N	I	H	D	E	T	S	E	R	I	U	V	C
N	B	C	D	W	U	S	J	J	I	Y	B	D
Y	M	A	E	S	Y	C	E	N	O	T	N	Y
P	I	E	T	G	N	L	N	G	T	D	S	J
P	S	C	U	D	U	E	G	C	A	A	G	G
O	T	G	G	C	B	W	U	W	J	E	J	S
I	Q	L	E	A	V	Q	K	Q	N	T	T	D
N	D	L	S	D	C	A	H	T	M	R	E	R
T	O	C	T	G	H	J	H	D	S	E	T	Y
M	G	M	I	J	R	T	Y	Y	U	I	O	P

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[  
  ['A','B','C','E'],  
  ['S','F','C','S'],  
  ['A','D','E','E']  
]
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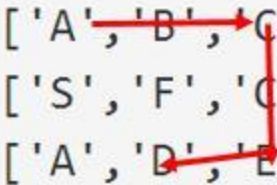


word = "ABCCED" , -> returns **true** ,

word = "SEE" , -> returns **true** ,

word = "ABCB" , -> returns **false** .

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[  
  ['A', 'B', 'C', 'E'],  
  ['S', 'F', 'C', 'S'],  
  ['A', 'D', 'E', 'E']  
]
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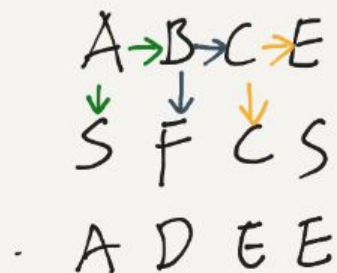
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1 # Word Search
2 class Solution(object):
3     def exist(self, board, word):
4         self.ROWS = len(board)
5         self.COLS = len(board[0])
6         self.board = board
7         for row in range(self.ROWS):
8             for col in range(self.COLS):
9                 if self.backtrack(row, col, word):
10                     return True
11         return False
12
13     def backtrack(self, row, col, suffix):
14         if len(suffix) == 0:
15             return True
16         if row < 0 or row == self.ROWS or col < 0 or col == self.COLS \
17             or self.board[row][col] != suffix[0]:
18             return False
19
20         ret = False
21         self.board[row][col] = '#'
22         for rowOffset, colOffset in [(0, 1), (1, 0), (0, -1), (-1, 0)]:
23             ret = self.backtrack(row + rowOffset, col + colOffset, suffix[1:])
24             if ret: break
25
26         self.board[row][col] = suffix[0]
27         return ret
```


Time of DFS :



$$f(n) = 4 \cdot f(n-1)$$

$$= 4 \cdot 4 \cdot f(n-2)$$

$$= \underbrace{4 \cdot 4 \cdot \dots}_{k}$$

k is the length of the target word.

DFS is called $m \cdot n$

Therefore, overall time complexity is $O(m \cdot n \cdot 4^k)$

Question: Given n pairs of parentheses, write a function to generate all combinations of well-formed parentheses.

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<https://leetcode.com/problems/generate-parentheses/>


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1  # Generate Paranthesis
2  class Solution(object):
3      def backtrack(self,N,ans, S = '',left = 0, right = 0):
4          if len(S) == 2*N:
5              ans.append(S)
6              return
7          if left < N:
8              self.backtrack(N,ans,S+'(', left+1, right)
9          if right < left:
10             self.backtrack(N,ans,S+')', left, right+1)
11
12     def generateParenthesis(self, N):
13         ans = []
14         self.backtrack(N,ans)
15         return ans

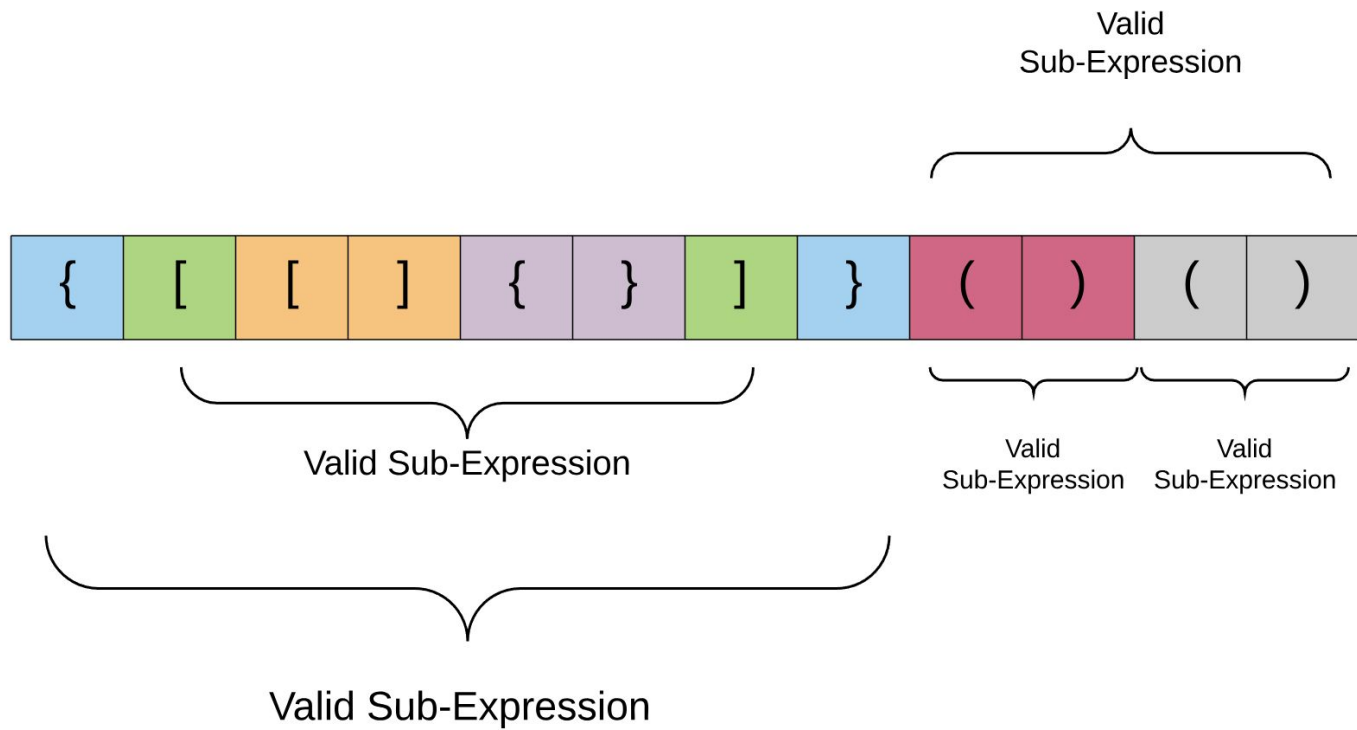
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TIME COMPLEXITY and SPACE COMPLEXITY - $O(4^n/n^{1/2})$

Question: Given a string containing just the characters '(', ')', '{', '}', '[' and ']', determine if the input string is valid.

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<https://leetcode.com/problems/valid-parentheses/>



Initially :



Step 1:



Step 2:



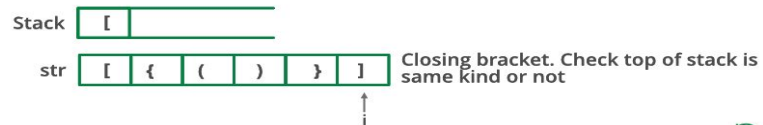
Step 3:



Step 4:



Step 5:



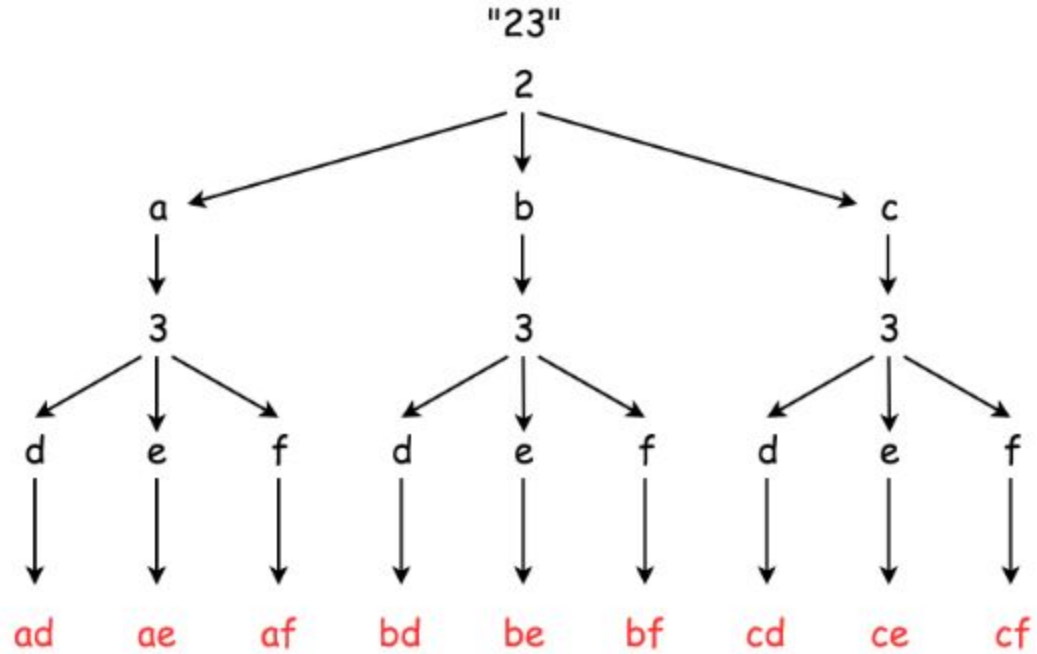
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1 # Balance Paranthesis
2 class Solution:
3     def isValid(self, s: str) -> bool:
4         stack, match = [], {'{': '}', '[': ']', '(': ')'}
5
6         # print(type(match))
7         # print(type(stack))
8         for c in s:
9             if c in match:
10                 stack.append(c)
11             elif not stack or c != match[stack.pop()]:
12                 return False
13         return not stack
```

TIME AND SPACE COMPLEXITY - $O(N)$

Question: Given a string containing digits from 2-9 inclusive, return all possible letter combinations that the number could represent.

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<https://leetcode.com/problems/letter-combinations-of-a-phone-number/>



output = ["ad", "ae", "af", "bd", "be", "bf", "cd", "ce", "cf"]

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1 # Letter combinations in a phone number
2 class Solution:
3     def backtrack(self, combination, next_digits, output):
4         if len(next_digits) == 0:
5             output.append(combination)
6         else:
7             for letter in self.phone[next_digits[0]]:
8                 self.backtrack(combination + letter, next_digits[1:], output)
9     def letterCombinations(self, digits):
10        self.phone = {'2': ['a', 'b', 'c'],
11                      '3': ['d', 'e', 'f'],
12                      '4': ['g', 'h', 'i'],
13                      '5': ['j', 'k', 'l'],
14                      '6': ['m', 'n', 'o'],
15                      '7': ['p', 'q', 'r', 's'],
16                      '8': ['t', 'u', 'v'],
17                      '9': ['w', 'x', 'y', 'z']}
18
19        output = []
20        if digits:
21            self.backtrack("", digits, output)
22        return output
```