

# Collatz Conjecture and the Structure of Tree that it grows into.

## Introduction:-

Collatz Conjecture is a problem in which we end in a loop of 4-2-1 after applying two operations based the number being odd or even.

$$a(n) = \begin{cases} 3n+1 & \dots n = \text{odd} \\ n/2 & \dots n = \text{even} \end{cases}$$

Ex: 17, 52, 26, 13, 40, 20, 10, 5, 16, 8, 4, 2, 1, 4, 2, 1, 4, 2, 1, ...

In this example which occurs with all numbers ( $> 0$ ), the sequence gets into a infinite loop of 4-2-1. The number of steps taken by any integer to end up at 1 at last is random and could be in single-digit<sup>number</sup> to thousand or more. For instance, for  $n=17$ , takes 12 steps to reach 1 while  $n=27$  takes 111 steps.  $2^n$  values take minimum steps to reach 1 which is just  $n$ . These steps to reach 1 from initial  $n$  is called as stopping time. Stopping time is finite for all the integer values since they can be even and odd and will always reach 1 by means of two operations.

The visualization of collatz conjecture can be seen differently or can be created in different manner. Some visualisation can show number of steps taken to reach one, all ~~falling~~ falling below certain limit of a certain function. Some visualisations show a growing a tree and some show only odd numbers in a directed graph. A new a tree can be created in a way where the tree can grow based on the number of being even and ~~certain~~ odds value can be used as nodes where new branches grow.

## Theory:-

Considering  $2^n$  takes minimum time to reach one we can have a bare stem as  $2^n$  to 1.

$$1 \leftarrow 2 \leftarrow 4 \leftarrow 8 \leftarrow 16 \leftarrow 32 \leftarrow 64 \leftarrow 128 \leftarrow 256 \leftarrow 512 \leftarrow 1024 \leftarrow 2048 \leftarrow \dots 2^n \dots$$

If we consider other numbers, we see that before falling to 4-2-1, they all end up closer to multiples of 2 or something related to it. By going reverse from here, from the two basic operations, we can say that the even number can formed either by dividing a even number or by multiplying odd by 3 and adding 1.

$$16 \leftarrow 3L$$

↑  
3(5)+1  
5

$$64 \leftarrow 128$$

↑  
3(21)+1  
21

$$256 \leftarrow 512$$

↑  
3(85)+1  
85

$$16 \rightarrow 2^4$$

64 \rightarrow 2^6

256 \rightarrow 2^8

$$1024 \leftarrow 2048$$

↑  
3(341)+1  
341

$$4096 \leftarrow 8192$$

↑  
3(1365)  
1365

$$16384 \leftarrow 32768$$

↑  
3(5461)+1  
5461

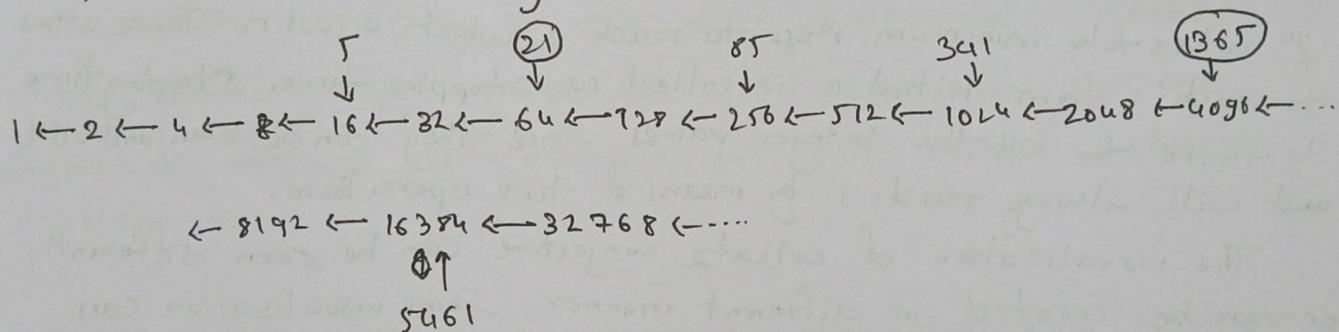
$$1024 \rightarrow 2^{10}$$

4096 \rightarrow 2^{12}

16384 \rightarrow 2^{14}

A generalisation can be drawn ~~for~~ for those values on ~~the~~ bare stem we get ~~a~~ nodes which creates branches, i.e.,

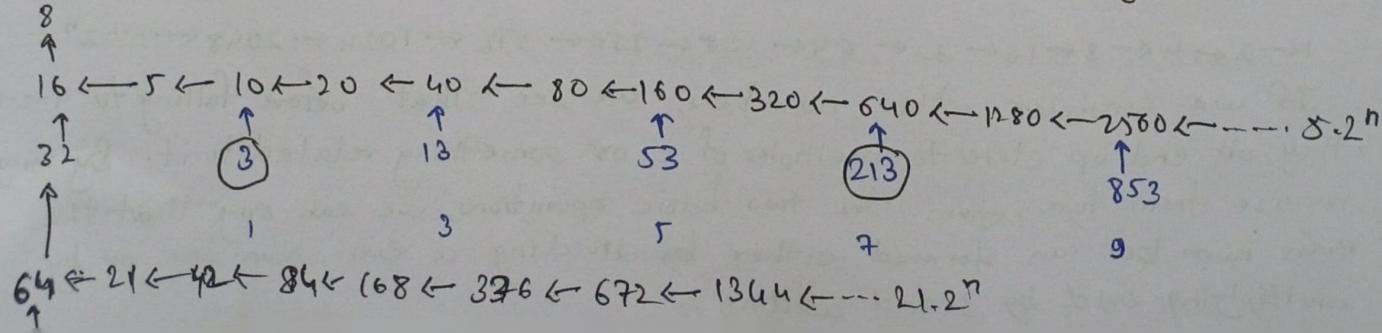
$2^{6n-2}$ ,  $2^{6n}$ ,  $2^{6n+2}$  where  $2^{6n}$  leading to a branch that has no branching. Since  $2^{6n}-1$  is divisible by 9. If we take any value of  $\frac{2^{6n}-1}{3} \cdot 2^m$  we will find that it is not possible to have branching.

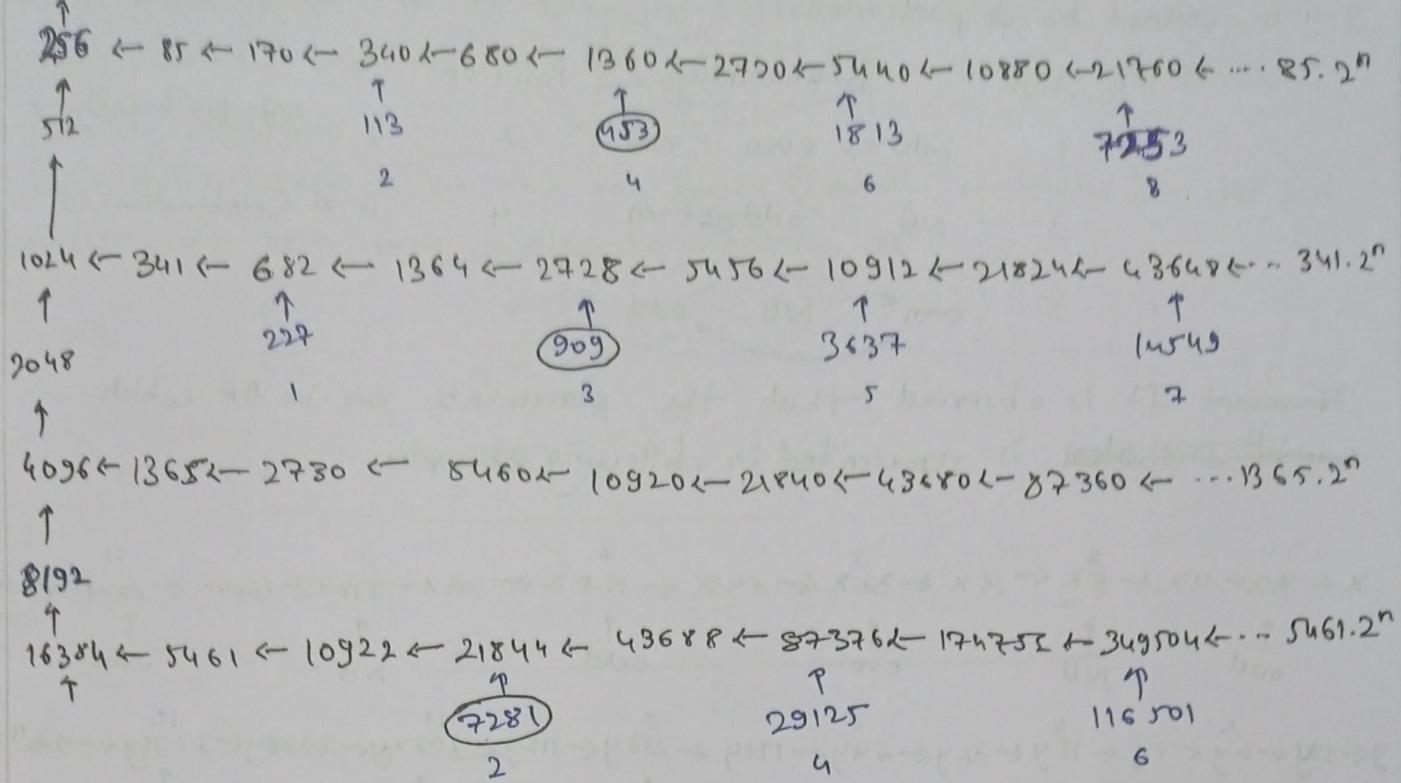


So the nodes with ~~no~~ branching can further have more branching and also they are not divisible by 9.

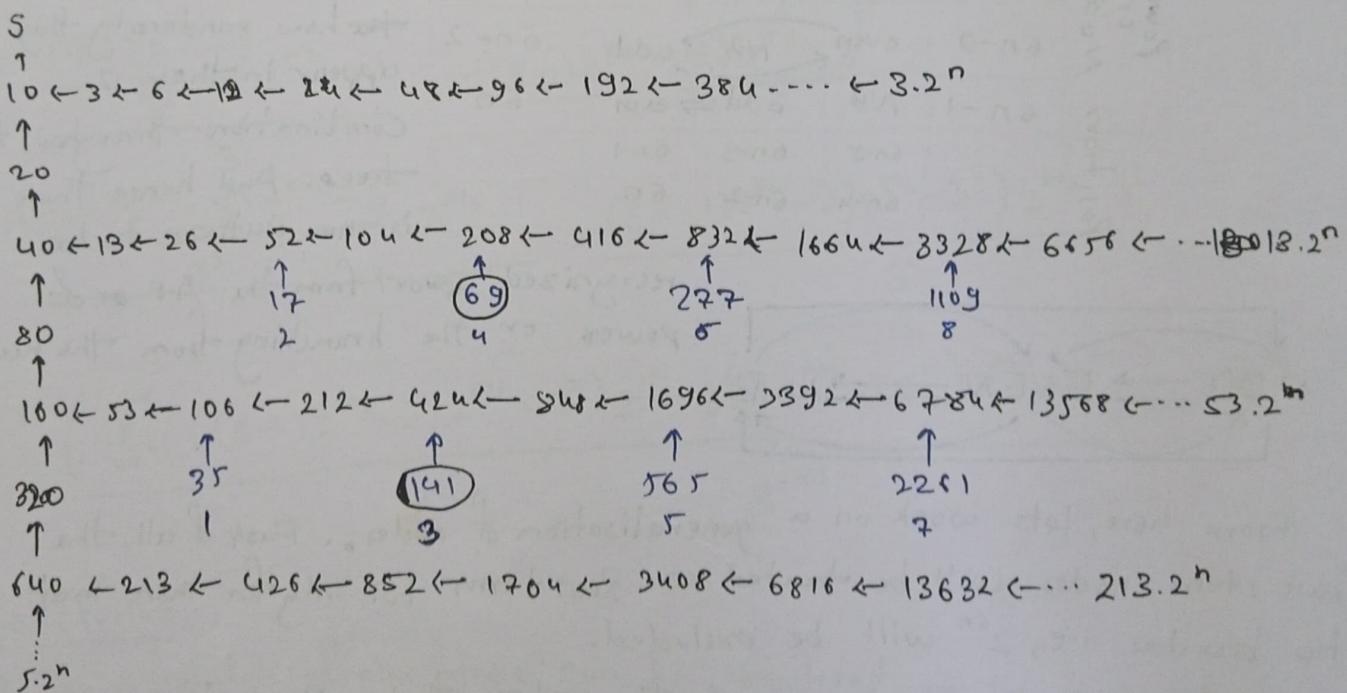
i.e.,  $\frac{2^{6n-2}-1}{3} \cdot 2^m$  and  $\frac{2^{6n+2}-1}{3} \cdot 2^m$  are not divisible by 3 and hence will have branching. Another observation being  $\frac{2^{4n}-1}{3}$  are divisible by 5.

If we take nodes and make their branch we will end with their multiples of 2 with alternating values ~~either~~ either odd powers of 2 or even powers of 2 from such branches.





Hence, at this stage the pattern that can be considered is that the branches further branch at odd-power multiples or even-power multiples i.e.  $2^{6n}, 2^{6n-2}, 2^{6n-4}$  or  ~~$2^{6n-5}$~~ ,  $2^{6n-3}, 2^{6n-1}$ . Also, This can be observed in branches that leads to branching ( $n \geq 1$ ).



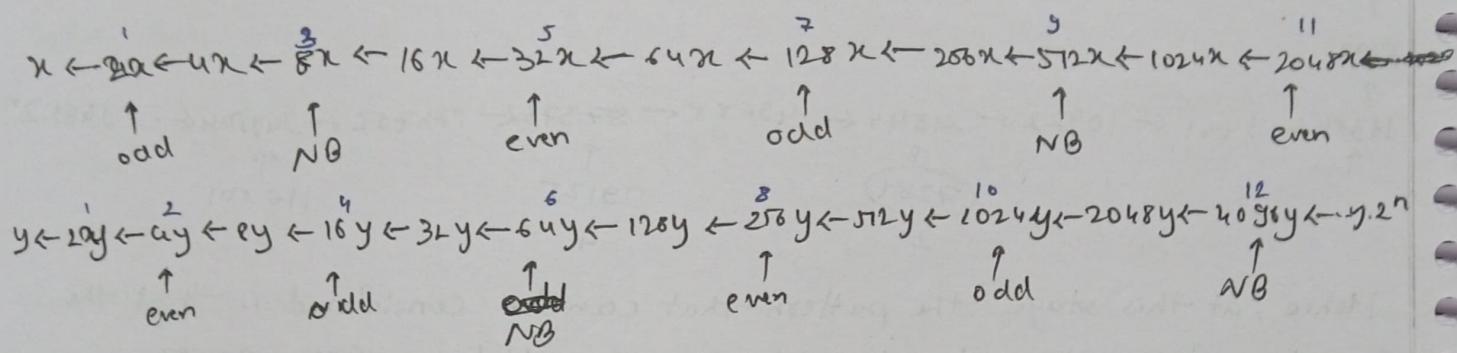
Occurrence of nodes that lead to no branching over its branch ~~is random~~ is random. And so the odd nodes and even nodes also. Hence the pattern for this power values are quite hard to figure out. Over the branch the further branches, the nodes that lead to even or odd branching ~~are~~ are in AP. But the position for it i.e. 1-3-5 and

2-4-6 cannot be patterned.

Position	Branching	Position	
1	odd $\Leftrightarrow$ even	NB	2
3	NB	odd $\Leftrightarrow$ even	4
5	even	NB	6 odd

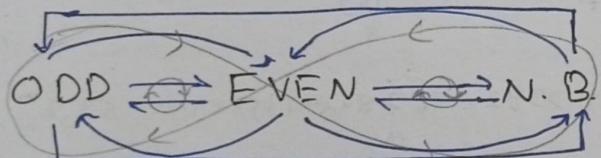
NB: No branching  
Total Combination: 12

~~If~~ It is observed that the placements are in AP which ~~can be shown~~ is represented in following examples.



Position	Branching	Position
$6n-5$	odd $\Leftrightarrow$ even	NB
$6n-3$	even	NB
$6n-1$	NB	odd $\Leftrightarrow$ even
$6n-5$	$6n-3$	$6n-1$
$6n-4$	$6n-2$	$6n$

This is a vague representation of the occurrence of powers and nodes, and also ~~how randomly they appear in these 12 combinations throughout the trees~~. And hence there is no pattern to be recognized apart from the AP of powers or the branching from the nodes.



From here, let's work on a generalisation of nodes. First of all, the base stem nodes will be treated as Root term but only for those that has branches i.e.,  $2^{6n}$  will be excluded.

$$R = \begin{cases} 2^{6n-2} & n \geq 1 \\ 2^{6n+2} & ; n \geq 1. \end{cases}$$

So the values that will initiate the branching ~~are~~ is  $\frac{R-1}{3}$  and the values of such branches are  $\frac{R-1}{3} \cdot 2^m$ , where  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  and is either odd or even.

From base stem to the branches, we can create new nodes of ~~the~~ these new branches as  $\frac{R-1}{3} \cdot 2^m - 1$ . Depending on the branch and the even-odd parity over it we can make new branches. Overall multiple branches and nodes, we can now develop the formula as:

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\frac{R-1}{3} \cdot 2^{m_1} - 1}{3} \cdot \frac{2^{m_2} - 1}{3} \cdot \frac{2^{m_3} - 1}{3} \dots \dots \frac{2^{m_i} - 1}{3}$$

$i = \text{no. of branches}$

$m_1, m_2, m_3, \dots, m_i \in \mathbb{Z}$  all depending on odd-even pattern.

For further simplification:

$$\rightarrow \frac{\frac{R-1}{3} \cdot 2^{m_1} - 1}{3} = \frac{R-1}{3^2} \cdot 2^{m_1} - 1 \quad \frac{(R-1)2^{m_1} - 3}{3^2}$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{\frac{(R-1)2^{m_1} - 3}{3^2} \cdot 2^{m_2} - 1}{3} = \frac{((R-1)2^{m_1} - 3)2^{m_2} - 3^2}{3^3}$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{\frac{((R-1)2^{m_1} - 3)2^{m_2} - 3^2}{3^3} \cdot 2^{m_3} - 1}{3} = \frac{(((R-1)2^{m_1} - 3)2^{m_2} - 3^2)2^{m_3} - 3^3}{3^4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{((((((R-1)2^{m_1} - 3)2^{m_2} - 3^2)2^{m_3} - 3^3)2^{m_4} - 3^4)2^{m_5} \dots \dots )2^{m_i} - 3^i}{3^{i+1}}$$

### Conclusion:-

- ① The structure of the tree can be visualized at the base stem with power of ~~0~~ 2, ~~where~~ the branches follow the same route.
- ② Pattern of position is either odd or even, but the nodes for even, odd and ~~all~~ Non-branching branches ~~can be~~ are found to be in random.
- ③ The formula for generalisation of node values can be designed with

root term with known pattern as it remains same while the branches have ~~are~~ random values. The formula in division ladder is in simplest form while after multiplication a  $\otimes$  bracketed format is obtained with a further simplification can be done.

$$\rightarrow \frac{(R-1)2^{\sum_{i=1}^k m_i}}{3^k} - 3 \cdot 2^{\sum_{i=2}^k m_i} - \left( \sum_{i=0}^k 3^i \cdot \sum_{j=i+1}^k m_j \right) - 3^{k-1}$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{(R-1)2^{\sum_{i=1}^k m_i}}{3^k} - 3 \cdot 2^{\sum_{i=2}^k m_i} - \left( \sum_{i=0}^k 3^i \cdot 2^{\sum_{j=i+1}^k m_{j+1}} \right) - 3^{k-1}$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{(R-1)2^{\sum_{i=1}^k m_i}}{3^k} - \frac{2^{\sum_{i=2}^k m_i}}{3^{k-1}} - \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{3^i 2^{\sum_{j=i+1}^k m_{j+1}}}{3^{k-i}} - \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\rightarrow R = 2^{6n-2}, 2^{6n}, 2^{6n+2}, \text{, } k = \text{Number of branch}$$

$$n \geq 1, \{m_i\} \in \mathbb{N}$$

— X —

Note:-  $m_i$  and  $k$  depends on the nodes selected or taken for various calculations for the validation of the formula / theory.

$$\rightarrow \left[ \left( \frac{(R-1)2^{\sum_{i=1}^k m_i}}{3} - 1 \right) \frac{2^{\sum_{i=2}^k m_i}}{3^{k-1}} - \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{2^{\sum_{j=i+1}^k m_{j+1}}}{3^{k-i}} - \frac{1}{3} \right]$$

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Consecutive branches, Generalized term,  
Combination, inference.

Collatz Conjecture!

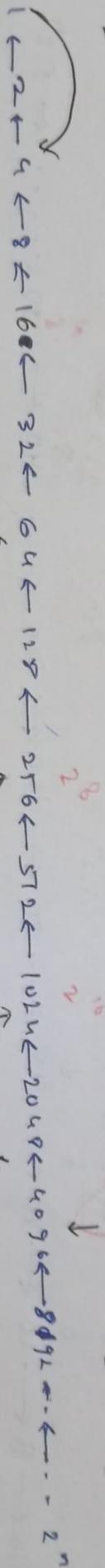
$\rightarrow 1-2-4-\dots 2^n$ : Primary stem.

→ 2<sup>nd</sup> : Node of Branches; n>0.

$\rightarrow 2^{6n}$ : Branches with no branches  
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 n > 1

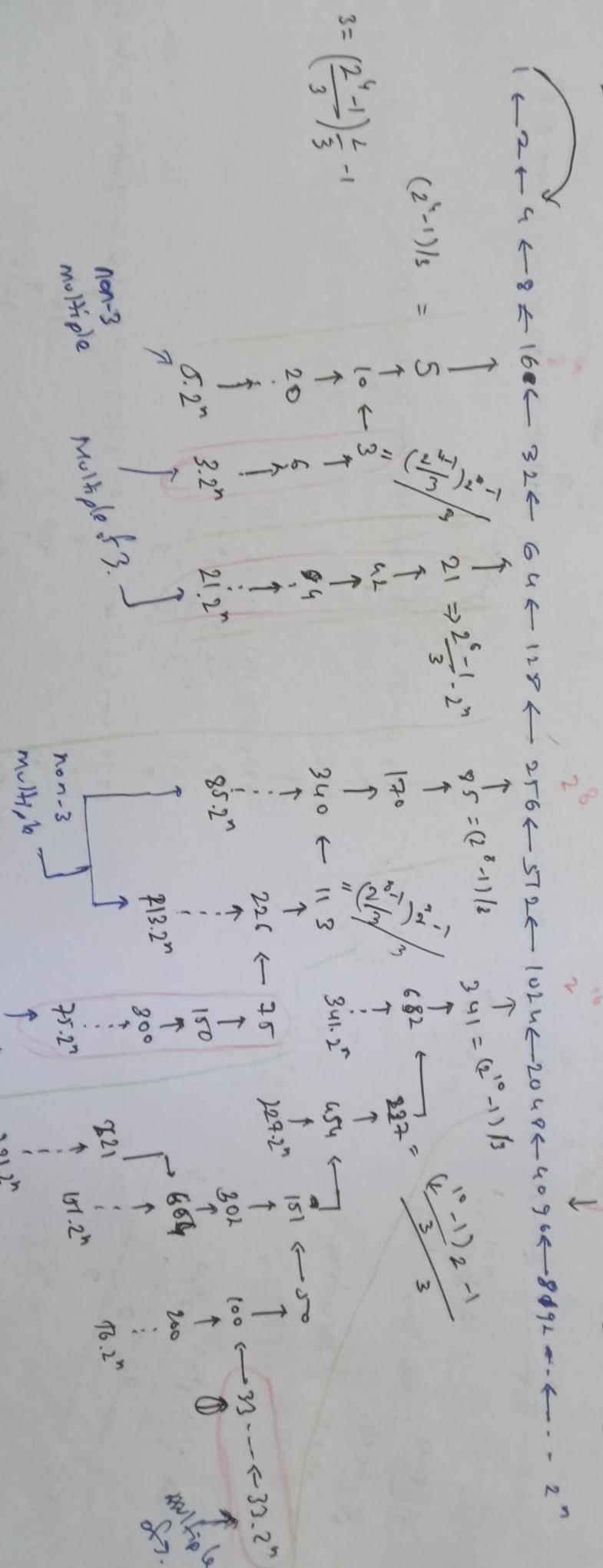
$\rightarrow 2^{m+2}; 2^{n+4}$ : Branches with branching -  
- in - f branches of multiple of 5.

$\rightarrow$  16<sup>n</sup>; Nodes ~~are~~  $\propto$  2<sup>n+1</sup>: Branch 128 Nodes,  $n \rightarrow 2$



$$\frac{(2^{4-1})!}{3} = \frac{5!}{3} \rightarrow 2^4 - 2^n \Rightarrow 2^4 - 2^3$$

$$3 = \left( \frac{2^4 - 1}{3} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} - 1$$



$6n$	$6n+2$	$6n+4$	$6n+6$
0	8	10	
6			
12	14	16	
18	20	22	
24	26	28	
30	32	34	

X → no  
branching

$6^{n+1}$      $6^{n+3}$      $6^{n+5}$

1            3            5

2            9 $\bullet$           11

13            15          17

21            23          25

29            31          33

37            39          41

47            49          51

57            59          61

67            69          71

77            79          81

87            89          91

97            99          101

107            109          111

117            119          121

127            129          131

137            139          141

147            149          151

157            159          161

167            169          171

177            179          181

187            189          191

197            199          201

207            209          211

217            219          221

227            229          231

237            239          241

257            259          261

267            269          271

277            279          281

287            289          291

297            299          301

307            309          311

317            319          321

327            329          331

337            339          341

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$\frac{2^{n-1} \cdot 2^n - 1}{3}$

x

13.2<sup>n</sup>

20.8<sup>n</sup>

28<sup>n</sup>

36<sup>n</sup>

44<sup>n</sup>

52<sup>n</sup>

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68<sup>n</sup>

76<sup>n</sup>

84<sup>n</sup>

92<sup>n</sup>

100<sup>n</sup>

108<sup>n</sup>

116<sup>n</sup>

124<sup>n</sup>

132<sup>n</sup>

140<sup>n</sup>

148<sup>n</sup>

156<sup>n</sup>

164<sup>n</sup>

172<sup>n</sup>

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252<sup>n</sup>

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268<sup>n</sup>

276<sup>n</sup>

284<sup>n</sup>

292<sup>n</sup>

300<sup>n</sup>

308<sup>n</sup>

316<sup>n</sup>

324<sup>n</sup>

332<sup>n</sup>

340<sup>n</sup>

348<sup>n</sup>

356<sup>n</sup>

364<sup>n</sup>

372<sup>n</sup>

380<sup>n</sup>

388<sup>n</sup>

396<sup>n</sup>

404<sup>n</sup>

412<sup>n</sup>

420<sup>n</sup>

428<sup>n</sup>

436<sup>n</sup>

444<sup>n</sup>

452<sup>n</sup>

460<sup>n</sup>

468<sup>n</sup>

476<sup>n</sup>

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492<sup>n</sup>

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508<sup>n</sup>

516<sup>n</sup>

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532<sup>n</sup>

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548<sup>n</sup>

556<sup>n</sup>

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724<sup>n</sup>

732<sup>n</sup>

740<sup>n</sup>

748<sup>n</sup>

756<sup>n</sup>

764<sup>n</sup>

772<sup>n</sup>

780<sup>n</sup>

788<sup>n</sup>

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804<sup>n</sup>

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836<sup>n</sup>

844<sup>n</sup>

852<sup>n</sup>

860<sup>n</sup>

868<sup>n</sup>

876<sup>n</sup>

884<sup>n</sup>

892<sup>n</sup>

900<sup>n</sup>

908<sup>n</sup>

916<sup>n</sup>

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1108<sup>n</sup>

1116<sup>n</sup>

1124<sup>n</sup>

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1140<sup>n</sup>

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1156<sup>n</sup>

1164<sup>n</sup>

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1196<sup>n</sup>

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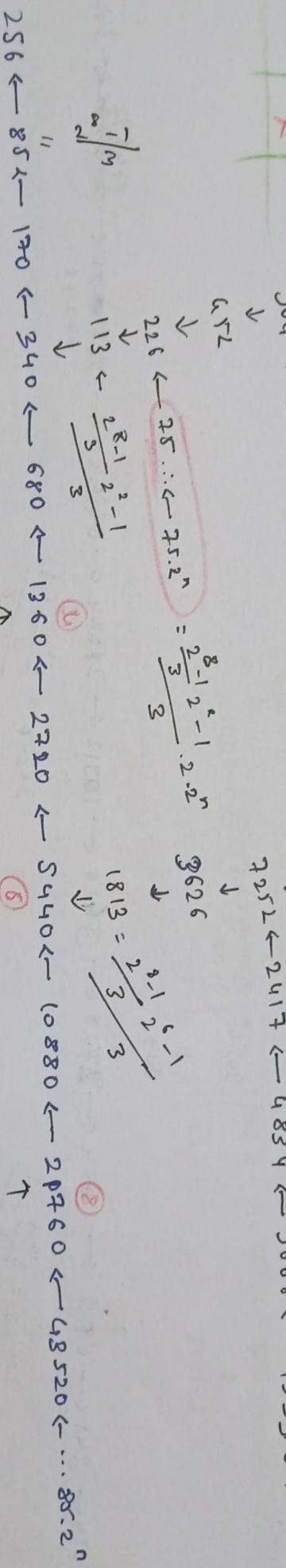
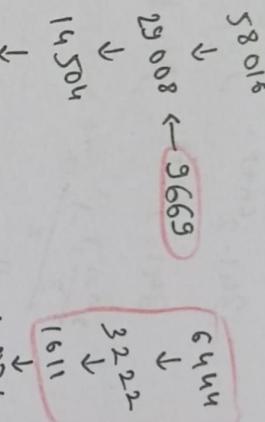
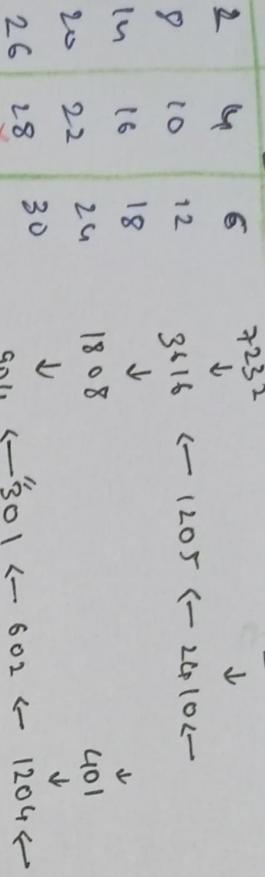
1372<sup>n</sup>

$6n-4$   $6n-2$   $6n$

$113 \cdot 2^n$   
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 $203$   
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 $58016$   
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 $1813 \cdot 2^n$   
↓  
 $25720 < - 853$

$1813 \cdot 2^n$   
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 $25720 < - 853$

$\downarrow$   
 $25720 < - 853$



$85 \cdot 2^{6n-2} \rightarrow$  no branching

$85 \cdot 2^{6n-4} \rightarrow$  branching

$85 \cdot 2^{6n} \rightarrow$  branching

$$= \frac{2^{8-1} 2^{6-1} \cdot 2^n}{3}$$

$$85 = \frac{2^8 - 1}{3}$$

$6n+1$	$6n+3$	$6n+5$
1	3	5
7	9	11
13	15	17
19	21	23
25	27	29
31	33	35

$$341 \cdot 2^{6n+1} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{branching} \\ \text{ } \end{array} \right.$$

$$341 = \frac{10-1}{3}$$

$341 \cdot 2^{6n+1} :$  No branching

$$\frac{2^{10-1} 2^8 - 1}{3} \cdot 2^n$$

$$341 \cdot 2^{6n+3} :$$

$$909 \cdot 2^n$$

$$909$$

$$1024 \leftarrow 341 \leftarrow 682 \leftarrow 1364 \leftarrow \cancel{2428} \leftarrow 3456 \leftarrow 10912 \leftarrow 24824 \leftarrow 563648 \leftarrow \cancel{87236} \leftarrow \cancel{174592} \leftarrow \cancel{225792} \leftarrow 341 \cdot 2^n$$

$$2224 = \frac{2^{10-1} 2^8 - 1}{3}$$

$$36372 = \frac{2^{10-1} 2^8 - 1}{3}$$

$$154 \leftarrow 151 \leftarrow 302 \leftarrow 604 \leftarrow 1208 \leftarrow 151 \cdot 2^n$$

$$2224$$

$$908 = \frac{2^{10-1} 2^8 - 1}{3}$$

$$201 \cdot 2^n$$

$$154$$

$$1816 \leftarrow \cancel{605} = \frac{2^{10-1} 2^8 - 1}{3}$$

$$89056$$

$$1210 \leftarrow 908$$

$$89056$$

$$3632 \leftarrow 2420$$

$$12931$$

$$2224 \leftarrow \cancel{805} \cdot 2^n$$

$$116384$$

$$232768 \leftarrow \cancel{77589} \dots = \frac{2^{10-1} 2^8 - 1}{3} \cdot 2^n$$

$$26372^n$$

$$26372^n$$

29125.2<sup>n</sup>

1864000 ← 621333

↓

932000

↓

466000

↓

239000

↓

116500 ← 38833 ← ~~77666~~ ← 155332 ← 310664 ← 621328 ← ... 388332<sup>n</sup>

↓

58280

↓

29125

↓

16384 ← 5461 ← 10822 ← 21864 ← 43688 ← 87376 ← 194752 ← 349504 ← 699008 ← 1398016 ← ... 5461.2<sup>n</sup>

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232002 ← ~~77667~~

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$\frac{2^{14}-1}{n}$

5461.2<sup>6n+2</sup>: No branching  
5461.2<sup>6n+4</sup>: } branching  
5461.2<sup>6n+6</sup>: } branching

$$2281 \cdot 2^n = \frac{\frac{14-1}{3} \cdot 2^2 - 1}{3} \cdot 2^n$$

6n+2 | 6n+4 | 6n+6

2	4	6
8	10	12
16	16	18
24	24	24
32	32	36

932008 ← 310669 ← 621338 ← 1242676 ← ...

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Generalized term

$$\frac{(2^8 - 1)2^{n-1}}{3}$$

$$\frac{(2^8 - 1)2^{n-1}}{3}$$

$$(\frac{2^8 - 1}{3}) \leftarrow (\frac{2^8 - 1}{3})2 \leftarrow (\frac{2^8 - 1}{3})2^2 \leftarrow (\frac{2^8 - 1}{3})2^3 \leftarrow (\frac{2^8 - 1}{3})2^4 \leftarrow \dots$$

$$R_1 = \frac{2^{6n-2} - 1}{3}$$

$$R_2 = \frac{2^{6n-4} - 1}{3}$$

$$R_3 = \frac{2^{6n-1} - 1}{3}$$

$$\frac{2^{10}-1}{3}$$

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$$2^0 \leftarrow 2^1 \leftarrow 2^2 \leftarrow 2^3 \leftarrow 2^4 \leftarrow 2^5 \leftarrow 2^6 \leftarrow 2^7 \leftarrow 2^8 \leftarrow 2^9 \leftarrow 2^{10} \leftarrow 2^{11} \leftarrow 2^{12} \leftarrow 2^{13} \leftarrow 2^{14} \leftarrow 2^{15} \leftarrow 2^{16} \leftarrow 2^{17} \leftarrow 2^{18} \leftarrow 2^{19} \leftarrow 2^{20}$$

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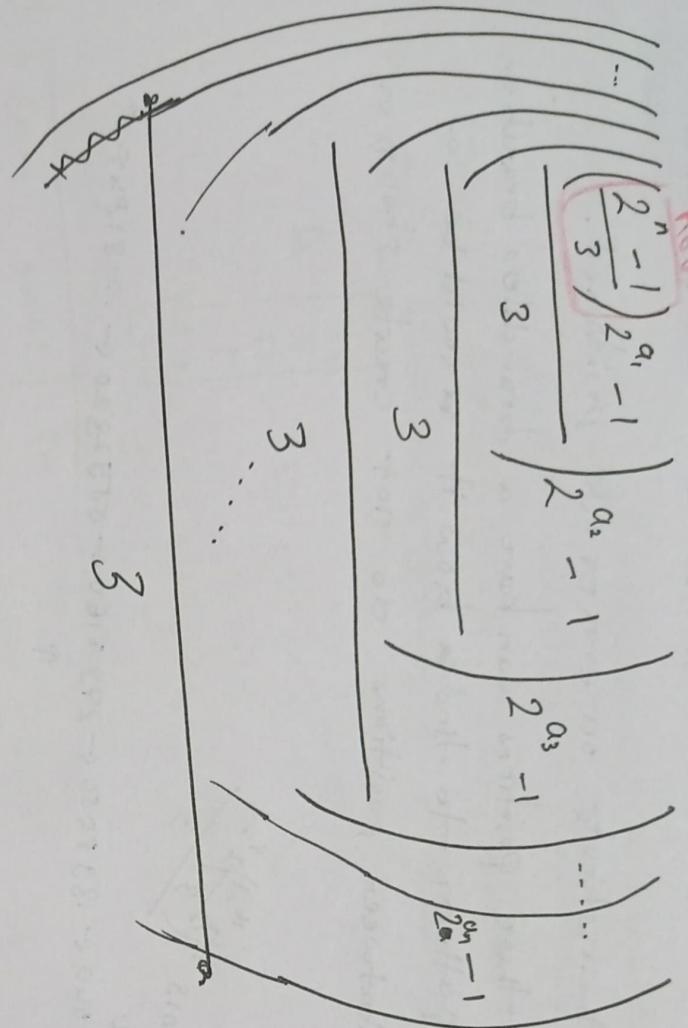
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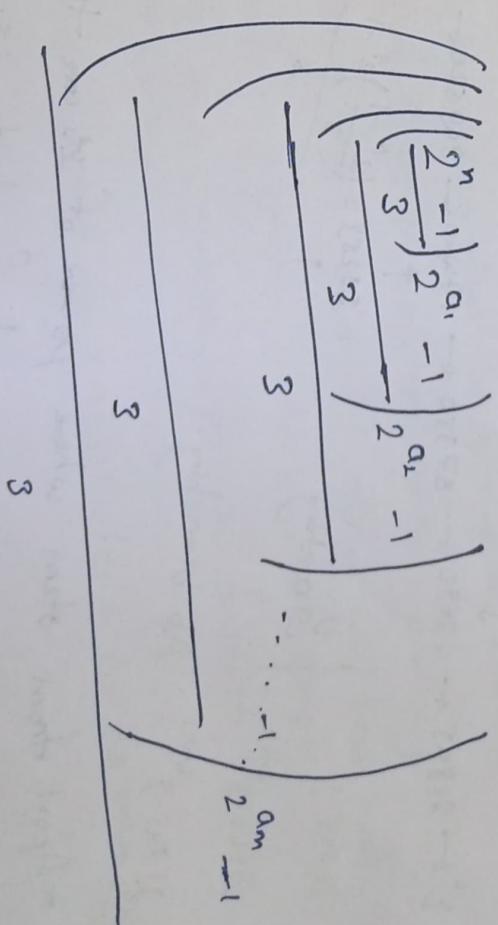
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Root term

$\left[ \overbrace{\{a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_n\} \in \mathbb{N}}^{\text{follows pattern}} \right]$   
 $\rightarrow n \in \mathbb{N}$ .



Generalized Term.



This can be solved in base '6N' number system. Also,  
 by reducing the set of natural numbers to odd and  
 then involving compression the chart to more linear  
 arrangements. Also, it can be seen with this that  
 various such infinite trees can be converted via base  
 change and free compression or reduction multiple  
 fractions / multifractions.

- Some branches have odd ~~even~~ position shoots while some have even positioned shoots.
- Shoots also follow same nature of having their shoots on even or odd positioned.
- This could be 1-3-5 or 2-4-6, any of these positions can have a branchless branch or shoots, it is difficult to recognize a pattern to find out how it could be a non-random thing.
- Also, the inbetween positions do not create shoots or branch.

$$\begin{array}{c}
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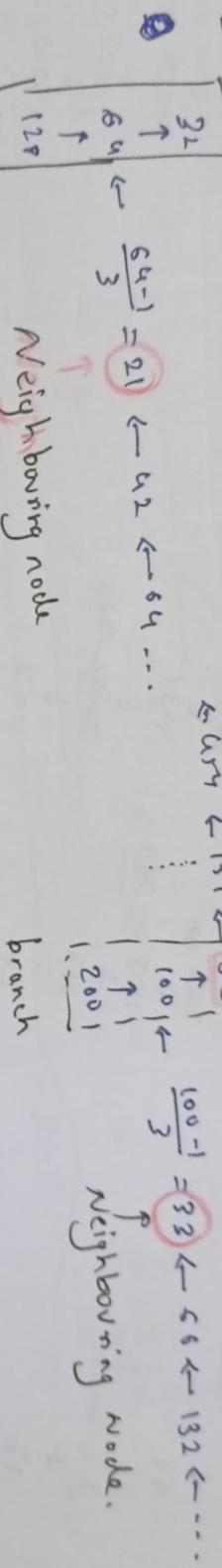
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 $21845 \cdot 2^{en+1}$  : } Branching  
 $21845 \cdot 2^{en+3}$  :

Ans - 2 ends : No branching.

- Apart from stem where power of  $2^9$  are that generate branches are even, other branches have even or odd placement of shoot i.e.  $\frac{\text{node value} - 1}{3} \cdot 2$  odd or  $\frac{\text{node value} - 1}{3} \cdot 2$  even.
- Shoot/Branches with no branching are found at regular interval with respect to the ~~gap~~ pattern with each ~~pattern~~ branch.

## Pattern:

- ① From ~~original problem~~,  $2^n$  values produce no branched branching while  $16^n \rightarrow$  nodes are divisible by 5,  $2^{m+2}$  and 2  $\mod 9$  produce branching. This nodes that produce also have certain branches at repetition that do not branch. Such nodes - that produce no branching with their branch are actually divisible by 3. have neighbouring node divisible by 3 and hence no branches. ( $n \geq 1$ ).



branch

②		6n+1	6n+2	6n	6n-5	6n-7
6n+3	6n+4	6n-2	6n-3	6n-6	6n-8	6n-10
6n+5	6n+6	6n-4	6n-5	6n-9	6n-11	6n-12
n ≥ 0	n ≥ 0	n ≥ 1	n ≥ 1	n ≥ 1	n ≥ 0	n ≥ 0

There are the patterns that are followed by branches and the nodes of ~~shoot~~ branches for further branching. In one of these powers of 2, there will be a node that produces a branch with no off-shoots. And there is random pattern to off-shoot on even and odd positions.

- ③ No-branching criterion:

$$\frac{\text{Node value} - 1}{g} \in I \quad \text{i.e., } (\text{Node value} - 1) \mod (g) = 0 \quad \text{i.e., divisible by } g \rightarrow \text{will lead to no branching}$$

into from such nodes.

$$(699040-1) \mod 9 = 0 \quad (4091-1) \mod 9 = 0 \quad (6400-1) \mod 9 = 0.$$

$$(\cancel{64}-1) \mod 9 = 0 \quad (2728-1) \mod 9 = 0 \quad (226-1) \mod 9 = 0. \quad (136-1) \mod 9 = 0.$$

$$\textcircled{D} \quad 100-1 \mod 99 = 0.$$