

# Backtracking 2

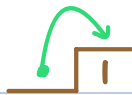
## Agenda

1. Print paths in staircase problem
2. Print all paths from source to destination
3. Shortest path in a matrix with huddles

Q → Climb  $N$  stairs s.t. in each step only 1 or 2 stairs can be climbed. Find # distinct ways to do the task & return all possibilities in lexicographical order.

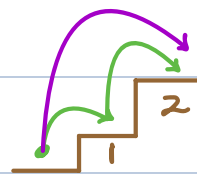
$N = 1$

Ans = 1



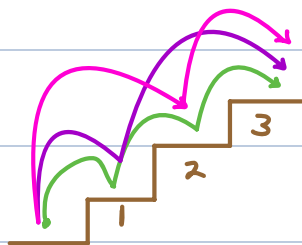
$N = 2$

Ans = 1, 1



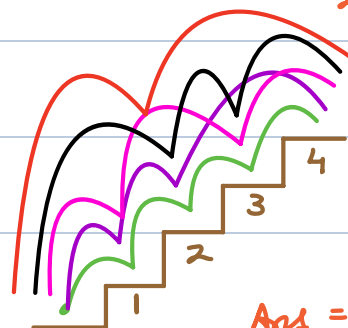
$N = 3$

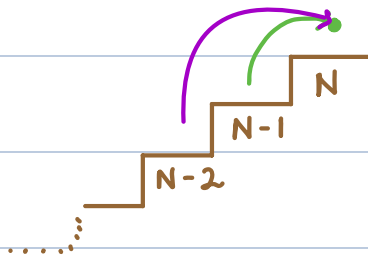
Ans = 1, 1, 1  
1, 2  
2, 1



$N = 4$

Ans = 1, 1, 1, 1  
1, 1, 2  
1, 2, 1  
2, 1, 1  
2, 2





```
void paths (N, cur []) {  
    if (N == 0) { // Base case  
        print (cur)  
        return  
    }  
  
    if (N >= 1) {  
        cur.add (1) // Do  
        paths (N-1, cur) // Recursion  
        cur.removeLast() // Undo  
    }  
  
    if (N >= 2) {  
        cur.add (2) // Do  
        paths (N-2, cur) // Recursion  
        cur.removeLast() // Undo  
    }  
}
```

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void paths (N, cur []) {
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```
    if (N < 0) return
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```
    if (N == 0) {           // Base case
```

```
        print (cur)
```

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        return
```

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    }
```

```
    cur.add (1)             // Do
```

```
    paths (N-1, cur)        // Recursion
```

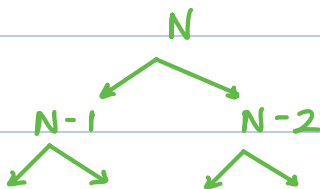
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    cur.removeLast()        // Undo
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    cur.add (2)             // Do
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    paths (N-2, cur)        // Recursion
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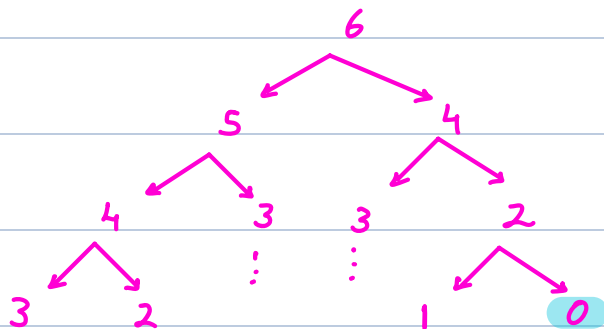
```
    cur.removeLast()        // Undo
```

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}
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$TC < \underline{O(2^N)}$

$SC = \underline{O(N)}$



Q → Given a  $N \times M$  board.

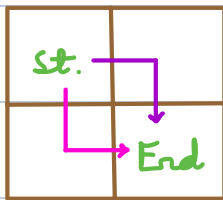
Print all the possible paths from top left to bottom right corner.

Move → Down ('D')

Right ('R')

Print paths in lexicographical order.

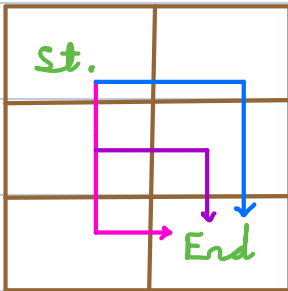
'D' < 'R'



2\*2

Ans = DR

RD



3\*2

Ans = DDR

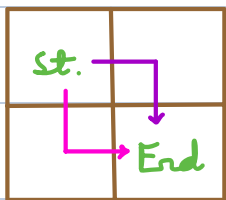
DRD

RDD

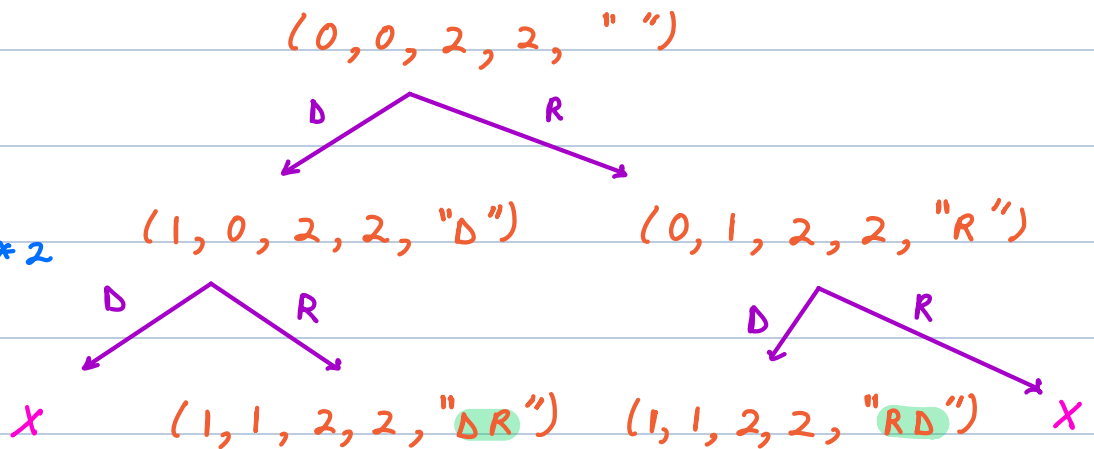
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void maze (r, c, N, M, cur) {
    if (r >= N || c >= M) return
    if (r == N-1 && c == M-1) {
        print (cur)
        return
    }
    maze (r+1, c, N, M, cur + 'D')
    maze (r, c+1, N, M, cur + 'R')
}

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2x2



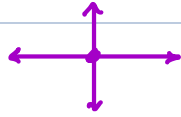
$$TC < \underline{O(2^{(N+M)})}$$

$$SC = \underline{O(N+M)}$$

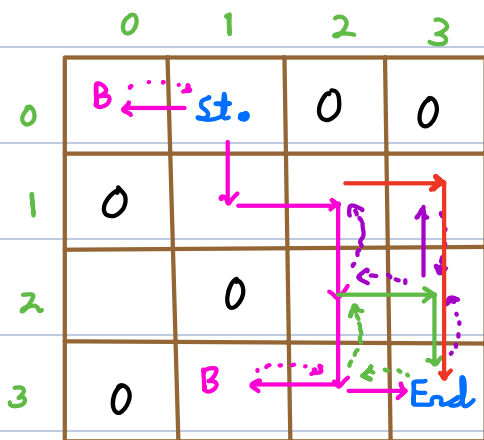
Q → Given a  $N \times M$  board.

Find the length of shortest path from source to destination. If not possible ans = -1.

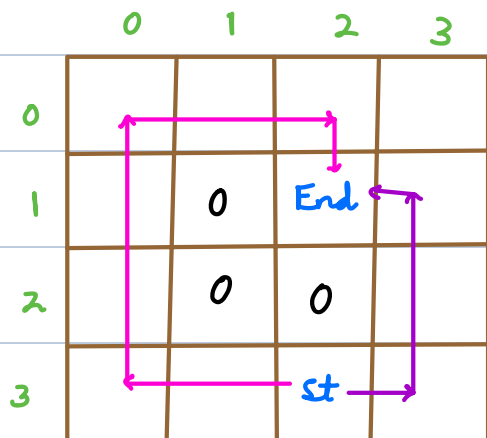
Move →



$A[i][j]$  → 0 Blocked Cell  
1 Empty Cell



Ans = 5



Ans = 4

$dx = [1, -1, 0, 0]$   
 $dy = [0, 0, -1, 1]$

// N, M

$(r-1, c)$   
↑  
 $(r, c-1) \leftarrow (r, c) \rightarrow (r, c+1)$   
↓  
 $(r+1, c)$

ans = ∞

*i/p*  
*source*  
*mark vst before calling*  
*0*  
 *$v_{i,j} = \text{false}$*

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void distance (A][[], r, c, dr, dc, dist, vst[][[]]) {  
    if (r == dr && c == dc) {  
        ans = min(ans, dist)  
        return  
    }  
  
    for i → 0 to 3 {  
        nr = r + dx[i]  
        nc = c + dy[i]  
        if (nr < 0 || nr >= N ||  
            nc < 0 || nc >= M || A[nr][nc] == 0 ||  
            vst[nr][nc]) continue  
        vst[nr][nc] = true  
        distance (A, nr, nc, dr, dc, dist+1, vst)  
        vst[nr][nc] = false  
    }  
}
```

TC <  $O(4^{(N*M)})$

SC <  $O(N*M)$

|   | 0 | 1   | 2 |
|---|---|---|---|
| 0 | 0 | <div style="background-color: #e0ffe0; padding: 2px;">← S</div> |   |
| 1 |   |   |   |
| 2 | 0 | E   | 0 |

