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Generate Parantheses

We are given n pair of parantheses, write a function to generate all combinations of well formed parantheses.

$n = 1 \rightarrow$ ( ) } only 1 option

$n = 2 \rightarrow$ (( )), ( )( ) } only 2 options

$n = 3 \rightarrow$ ((( ))), (( )( )), ( )( )( ), ( )(( )), (( ))( )

5 options are there

We can observe that if we are having n, then total brackets are $2 \times n$.

$n = 3$

($\rightarrow 3$
) $\rightarrow 3$
} $3 + 3 = 6$ } $2 \times 3 = 6$

The above question is based on the include and exclude pattern.

We can only including the closing bracket, if on left count of opening bracket > count of closing bracket. But this has an issue that we will have to count on the left & hence we need to think of some condition in terms of remaining brackets. In left part formulae will be open > close & then only we will be including the closed bracket but in right part close > open & hence we will be using the closing bracket. When close == open, we don't have to add closing bracket.

Code

```
void solve (vector <string > &ans, int n, int open,
            int close, string output) {
 // Base case → Both brackets have finished
 if (open == 0 && close == 0) {
        ans.push_back (output);
        return;
 }
 // Include opening bracket if they exist.
 if (open > 0) {
        output.push_back ('('); // Push opening bracket
        solve (ans, n, open-1, close, output);
        // Backtracking → create original state
        output.pop_back();
 }
 // Can we put closing bracket?
 if (close > open) {
        output.push_back (')'); //Push closing bracket
        solve (ans, n, open, close-1, output);
 }
```

↳ Reduce count of opening bracket

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```
            //Backtracking
            output.pop_back();
        }
    }
    // Printing ans vector in main function
    In main() print the ans vector of strings.
```

Note→ Understanding the close > open condition

1) This close & open is of the remaining brackets.
   This is very important to understand

On Left side

✓ open < close

(()) → invalid

✓ open == close

(()) → no need to add bracket

✓ open > close

(() → closing bracket can be added now

(()

left side ↳ right side

remaining closing bracket = 1
remaining opening bracket = 0 } close > open

Hence we need to add the closing bracket & that's why close > open condition needs to be mentioned.

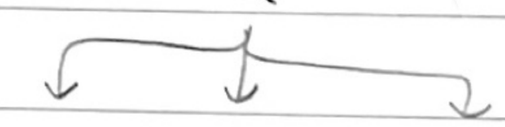
↱ Asked a lot in D.E.Shaw & Arcesium

Letter combination of phone number

Given a string containing digits from 2-9 inclusive, return all possible letter combinations that number could represent. Return answer in any order.

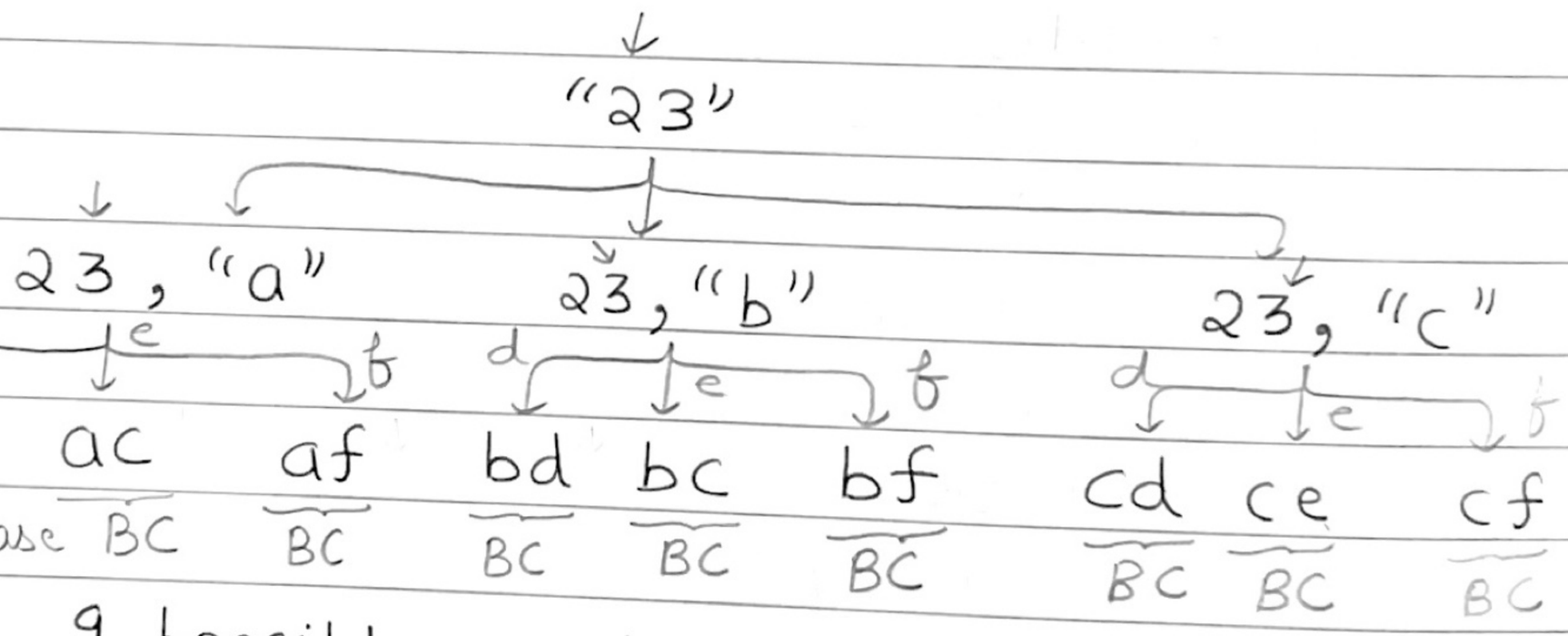
2 → abc
3 → def
4 → ghi
5 → jkl
6 → mno
7 → pqrs
8 → tuv
9 → wxyz
} mapping

i/p → "2"



} 3 possible combinations

i/p → "23"



Hence 9 possible combinations are possible.

Code

```
void solve (vector <string> & ans, int index,
            string, output, string digits,
            vector <string> & mapping ) {
```

→ Can be handled in main function

```
{ if (digits.length() == 0) // Empty digits string
        return;
```

```
if (index >= digits.length()) {
        ans.push_back (output);
        return;
}
```

} Base case

```
//Solve 1 case & then recursion handles it
    int digit = digits[index] - '0';
                character      used to convert
                               to integer

    string value = mapping[digit]; //Store the
                                     mapping

    //Traverse the mapping
    for(int i=0; i<value.length(); i++){
        char ch = value[i]; //Store char of
                              mapping in ch.

        output.push_back(ch); //Push that in
                                O/p string.

        solve(ans, index+1, output, digits, mapping);
                  ↳ move forward in mapping

        //Backtracking
        output.pop_back(); //If we have used
    }                      push back, then use pop_back also.
}
```