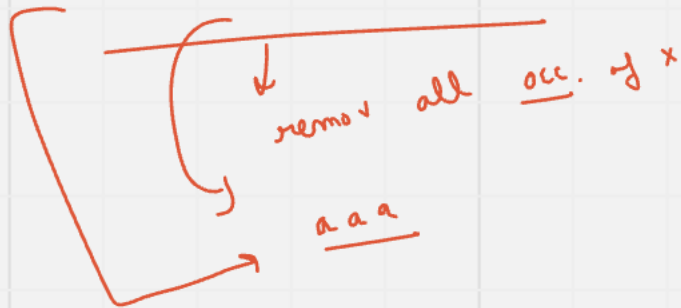


↓ ↓
x a a a x



↓ ↓
a b x c x d

↓
a b c d

A red bracket underlines the string 'a b x c x d'. Two blue arrows point to the 'x' characters. A red arrow points from the string to the result 'a b c d'.

↓
s = a b x c x d

↓
b x c x d

s.substring(i)

A red arrow points from 'a b x c x d' to 'b x c x d'. A green oval encloses 'b x c x d'. A green arrow points from the green oval to the text 's.substring(i)'.

s → a x b x c

↓
x b x c

↓
b c

↓
a + b c

return b c

A green oval encloses 'a x b x c'. A blue arrow points from it to a red oval 'x b x c'. A blue arrow points from 'x b x c' to a blue oval 'b c'. A blue arrow points from 'b c' to a blue oval 'a + b c'. A blue arrow points from 'a + b c' to the text 'return b c'.

s → x a x b

```
static String noX(String s) {
```

```
    if(s.length() == 0) {  
        return "";  
    }
```

```
    // abcdxd
```

```
    // bcdxd
```

```
    String recAns = noX(s.substring(1));
```

```
    if(s.charAt(0) == 'x') {
```

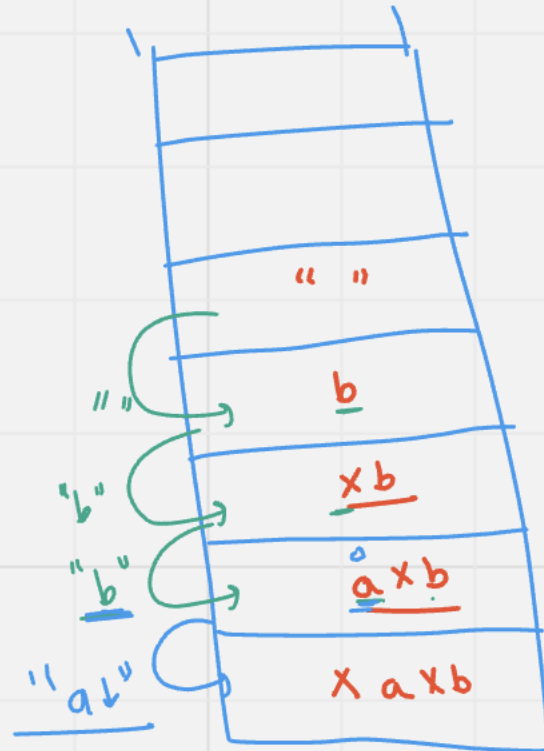
```
        return recAns;
```

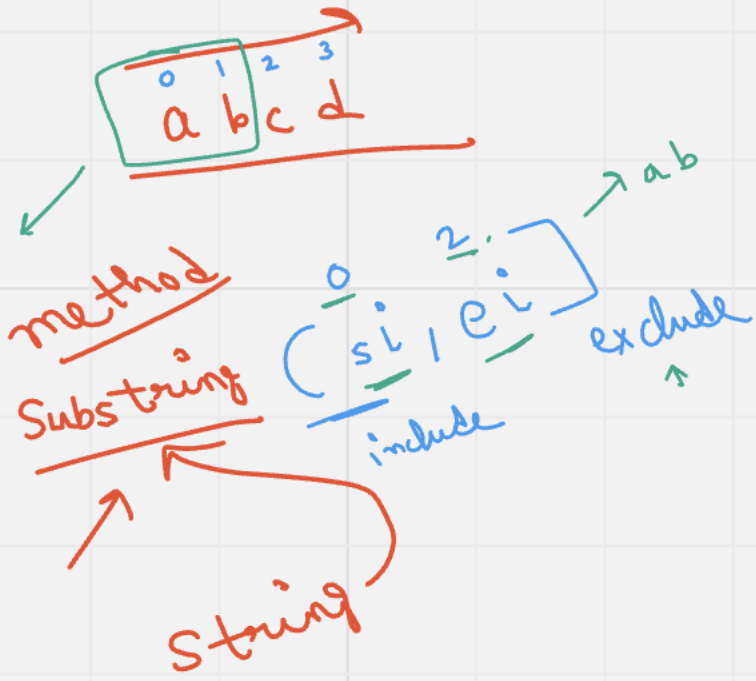
```
    } else {
```

```
        return s.charAt(0) + recAns;
```

```
    }
```

```
}
```





0 1 2 3 4
a b c d e

substring(1)

b c d e

0 1 2 3 4
a b c d e

substring(2, 4)

→ c d

substring(3)

d e

$5 + 5 + 5$ \rightarrow (15) ✓

→ $(N * M) * 3$

$5 \times (m-1)$

$$N = 5, M = 3$$

$$5 + 3 = 8$$

$$gt \ M == 0$$

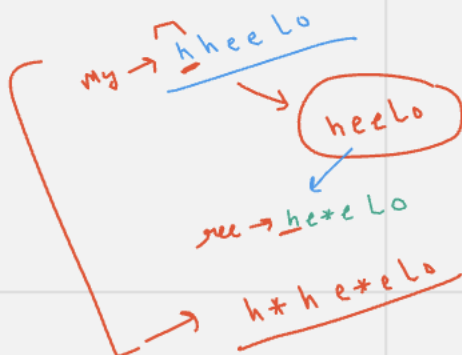
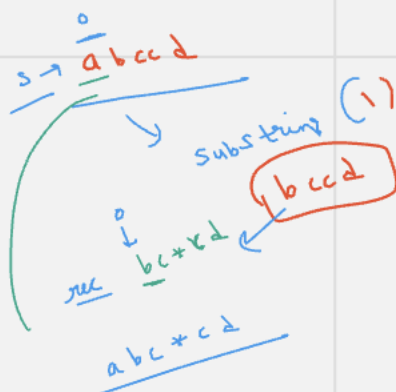
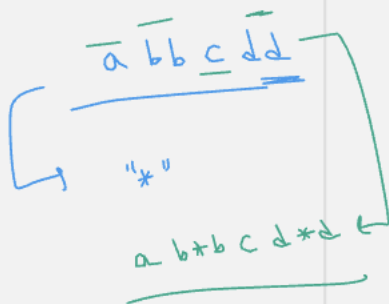
$$\text{return } 0$$

$$res = 1 + \text{fun}(N, M-1)$$

$$res = 1 + 5 = 6$$

$$return \underline{res}$$

Diagram illustrating a stack structure with elements $(S, 0)$ and $(S, 1)$. The stack is represented by a vertical container with horizontal slots. The elements are stored in the bottom two slots. The top slot is empty. The bottom slot contains $(S, 0)$ and the slot above it contains $(S, 1)$. Arrows indicate the push and pop operations, showing the stack growing and shrinking. The final state shows the stack containing $(S, 1)$ and $(S, 0)$. The answer is 15.



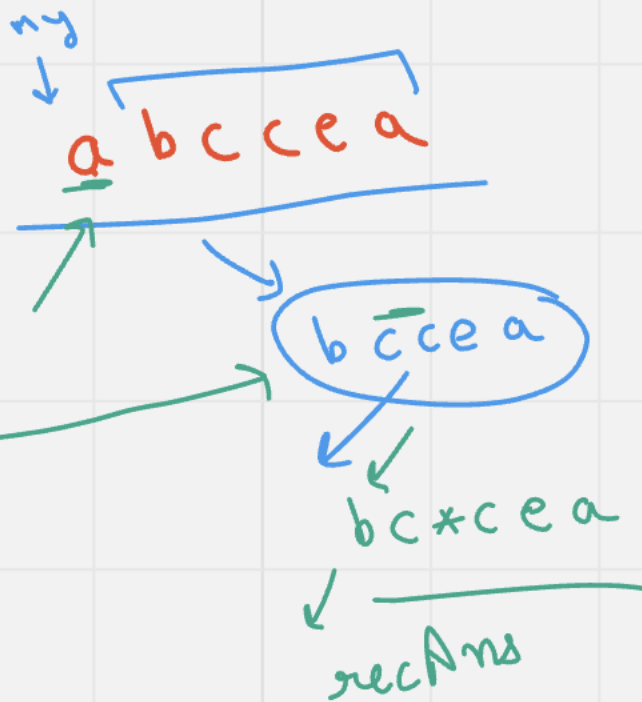
```
static String PairStar(String str) {  
    //Write your code here
```

```
    if(str.length() == 1) {  
        return str;  
    }
```

```
    String recAns = PairStar(str.substring(1));
```

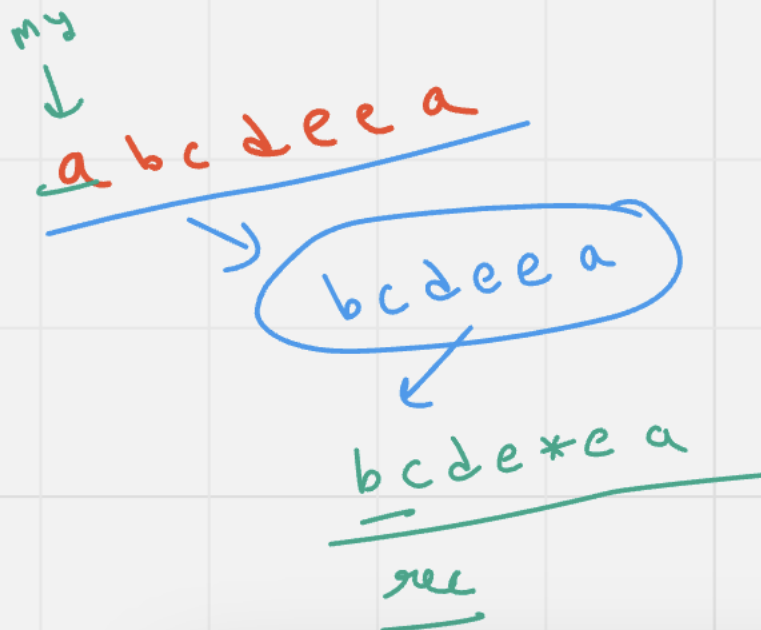
```
    if(str.charAt(0) == recAns.charAt(0)) {  
        return str.charAt(0) + "*" + recAns;  
    } else {  
        return str.charAt(0) + recAns;  
    }
```

```
}
```

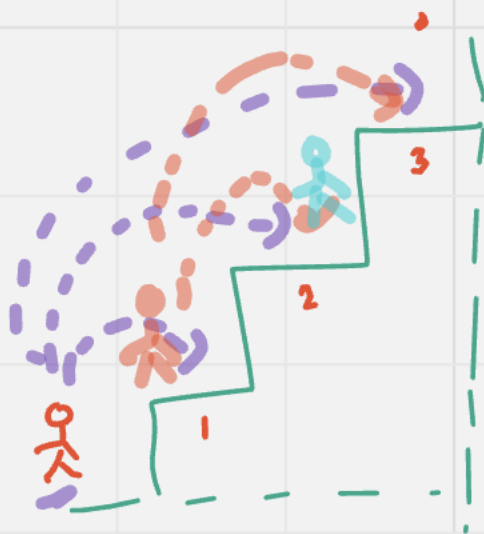


a+bc*cea

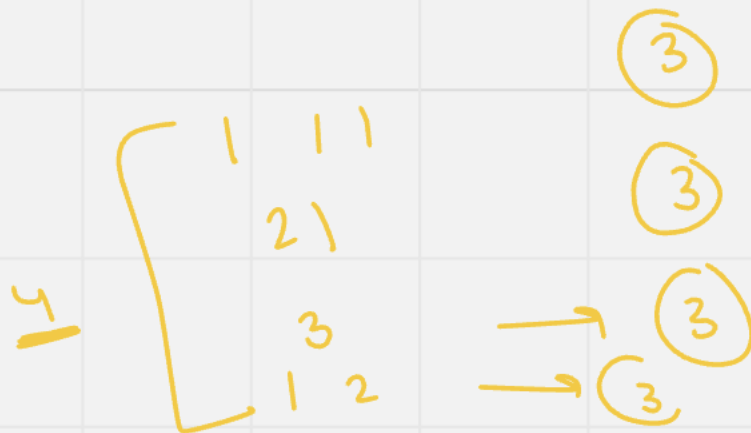
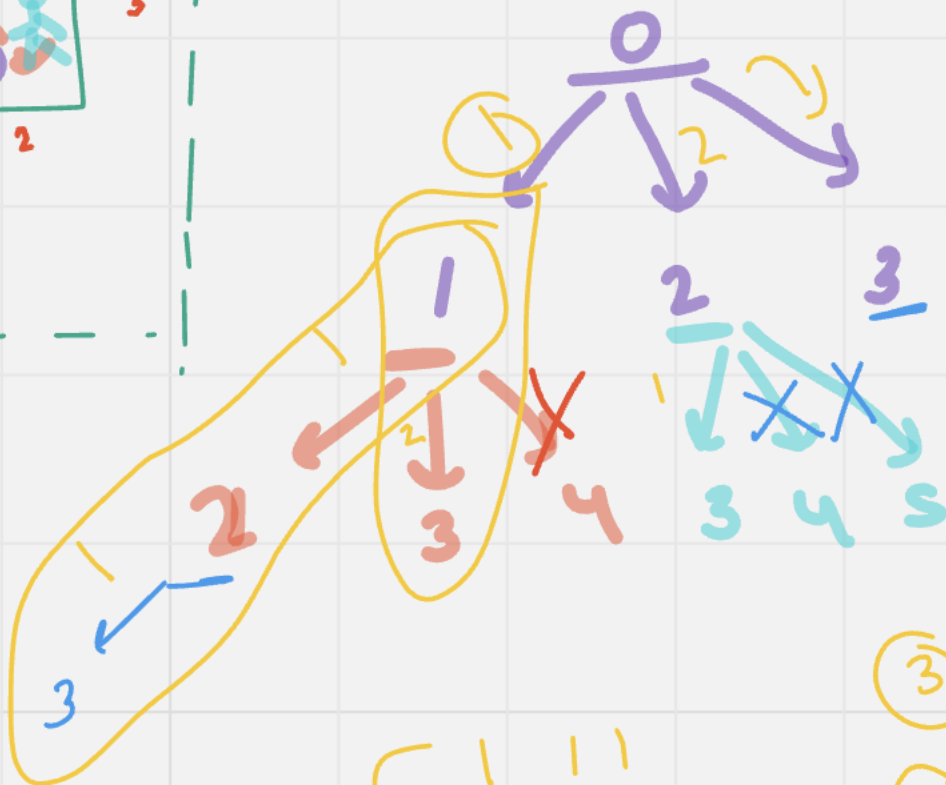
abc*cea ✓

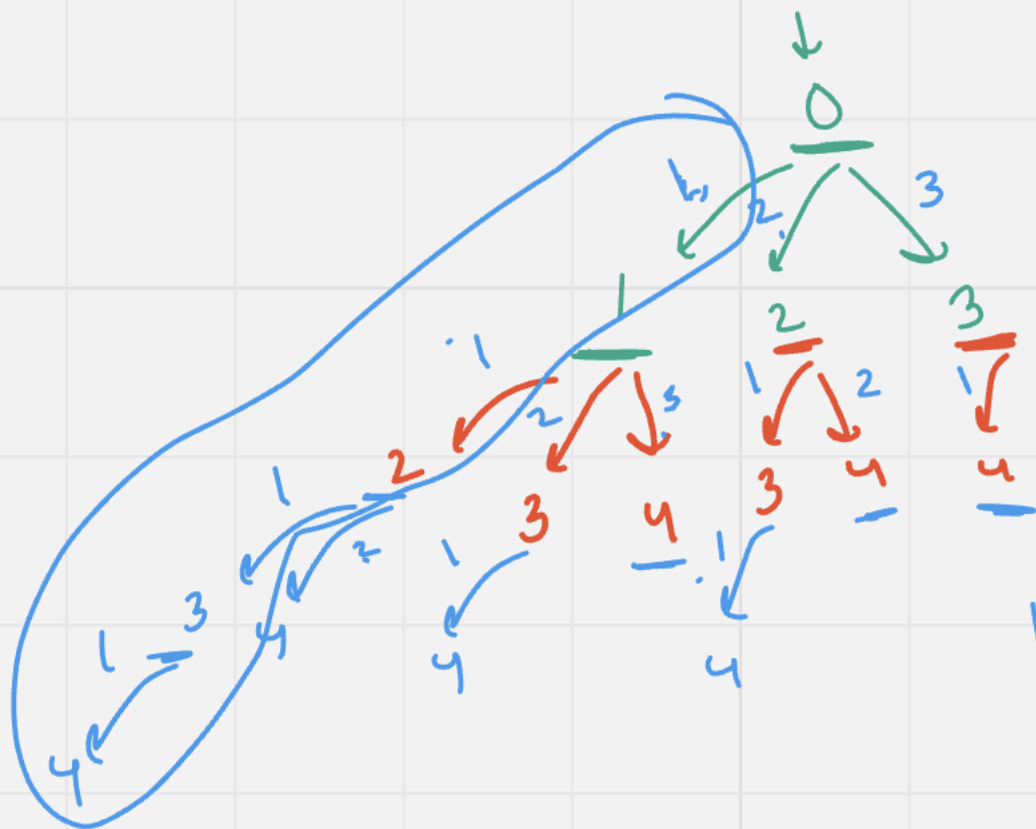


$n \rightarrow 3$



1 \rightarrow 1 step
2 \rightarrow 2 step
3 \rightarrow 3 step



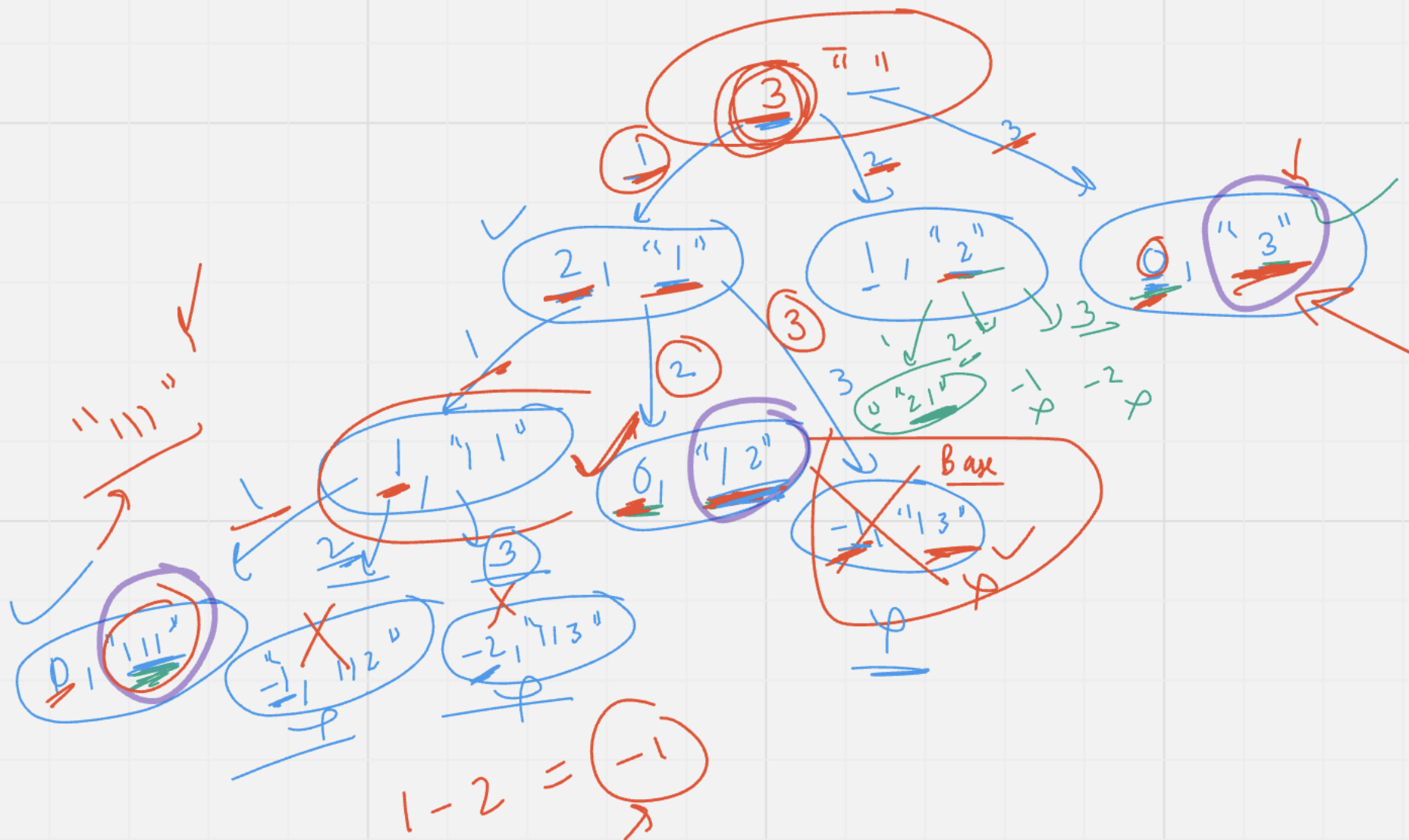


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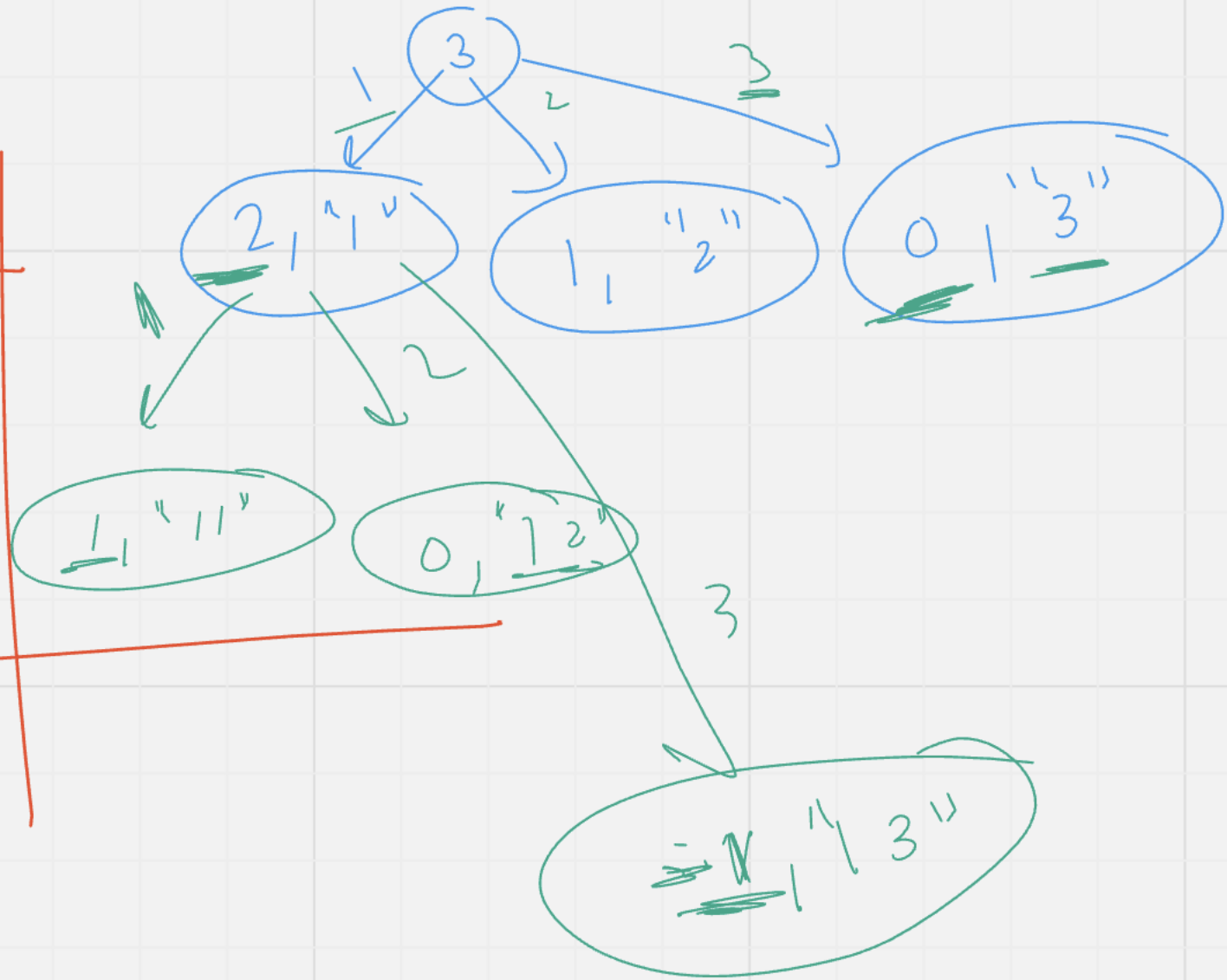
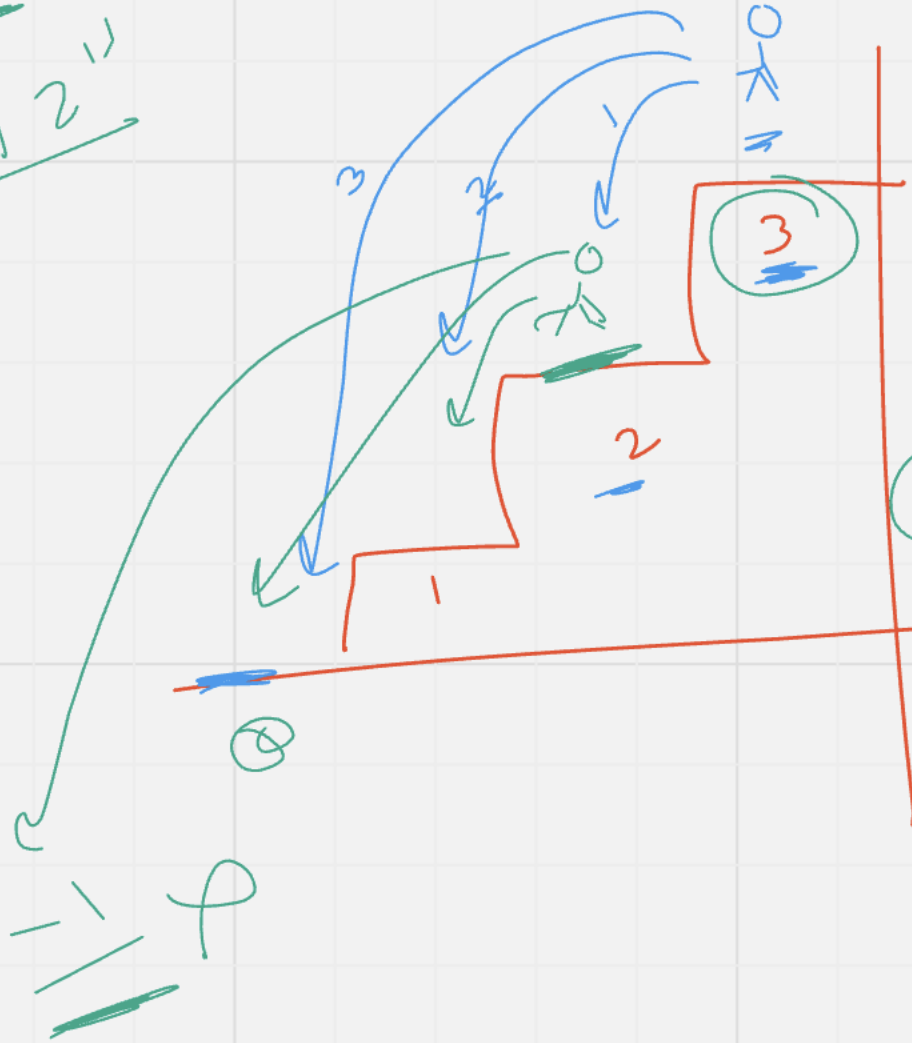
4 →

output

1	1	1	1
1	1	2	
1	2	1	
1	3		
2	1	1	
2	2		
3	1		



"3"
"12"



```
static void printStairPaths(int n, String pathSoFar) {
```

```
    if(n == 0) {
```

```
        System.out.println(pathSoFar);
```

```
        return ;
```

```
    }
```

```
    if(n < 0) {
```

```
        return ;
```

```
    }
```

```
    // one step
```

```
    printStairPaths(n-1, pathSoFar + "1");
```

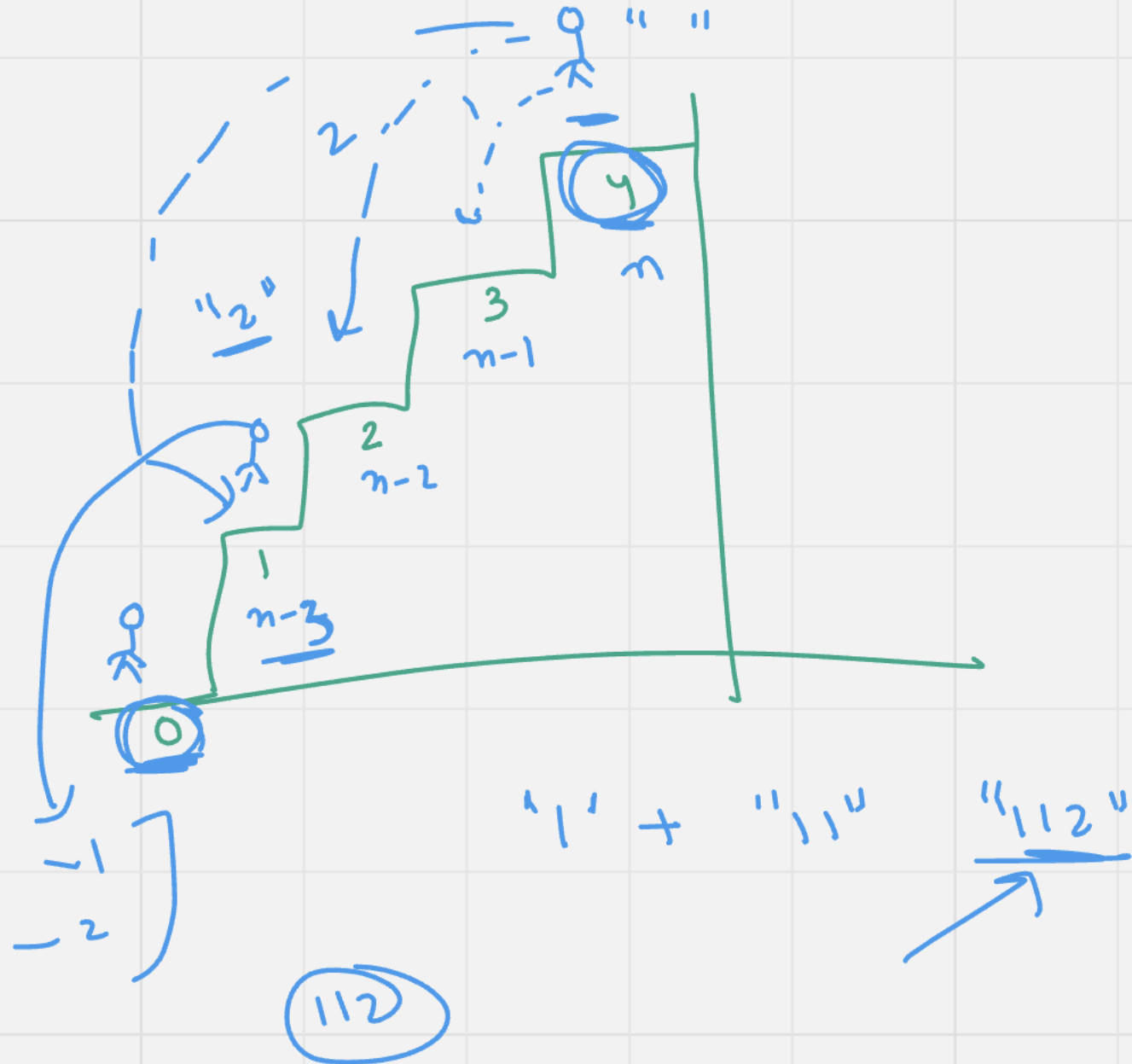
```
    //two steps
```

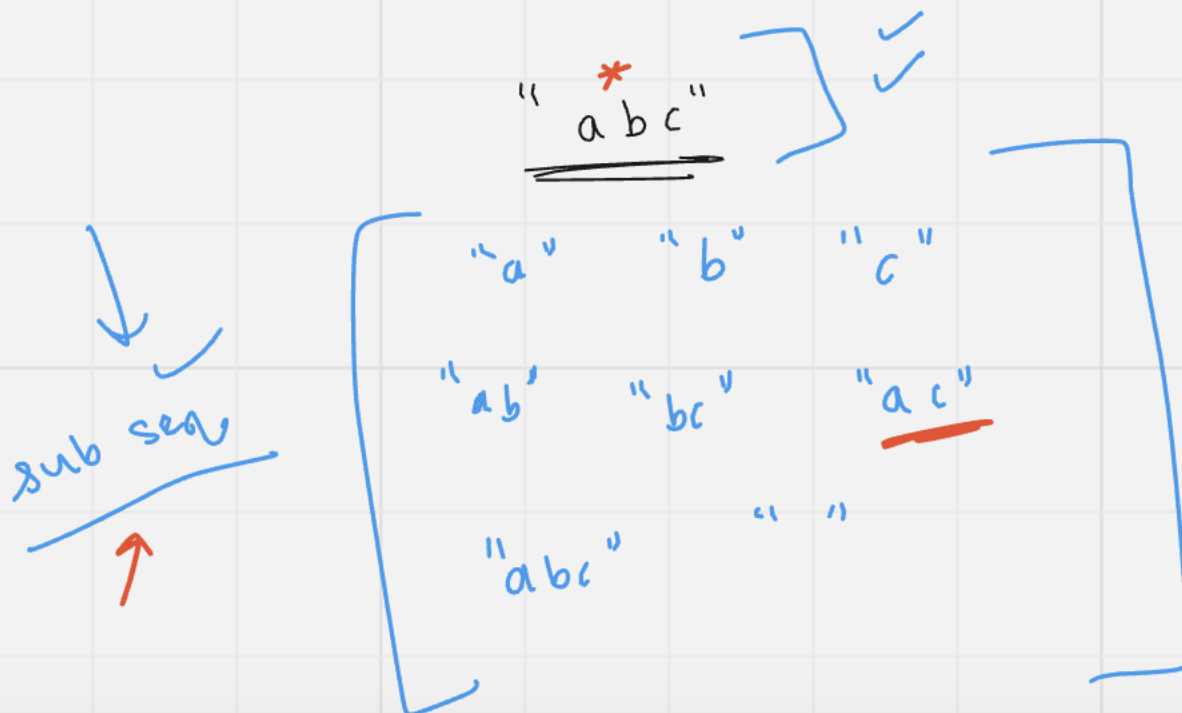
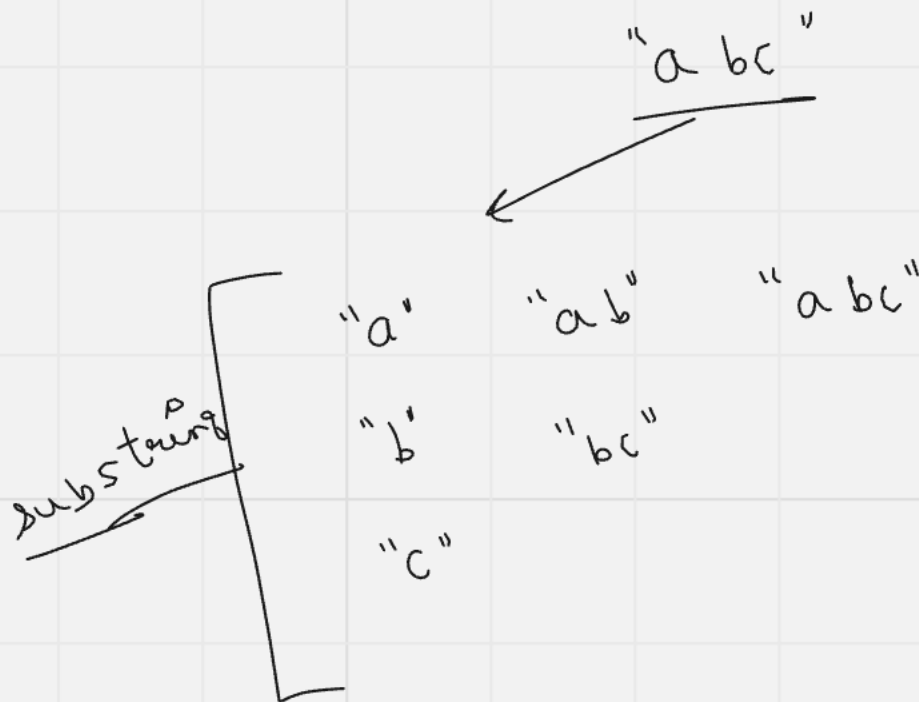
```
    printStairPaths(n-2, pathSoFar + "2");
```

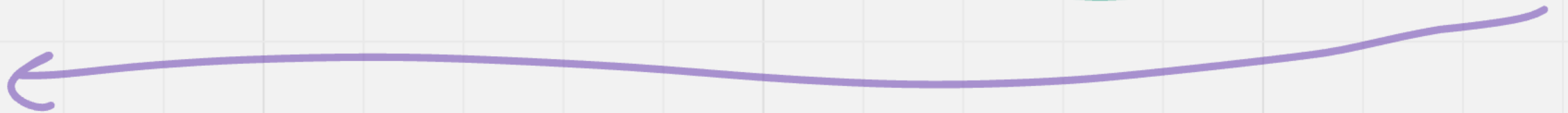
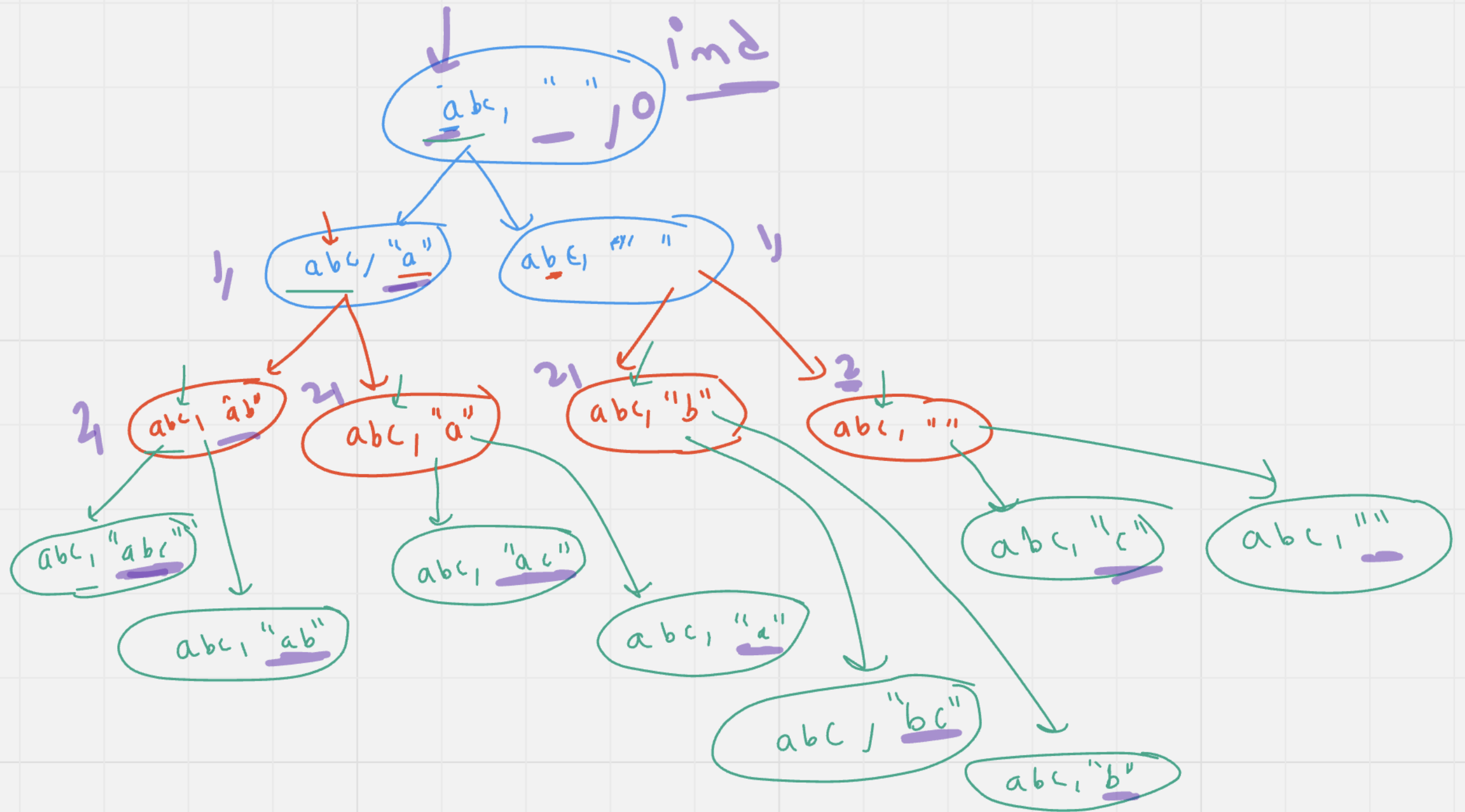
```
    //three steps
```

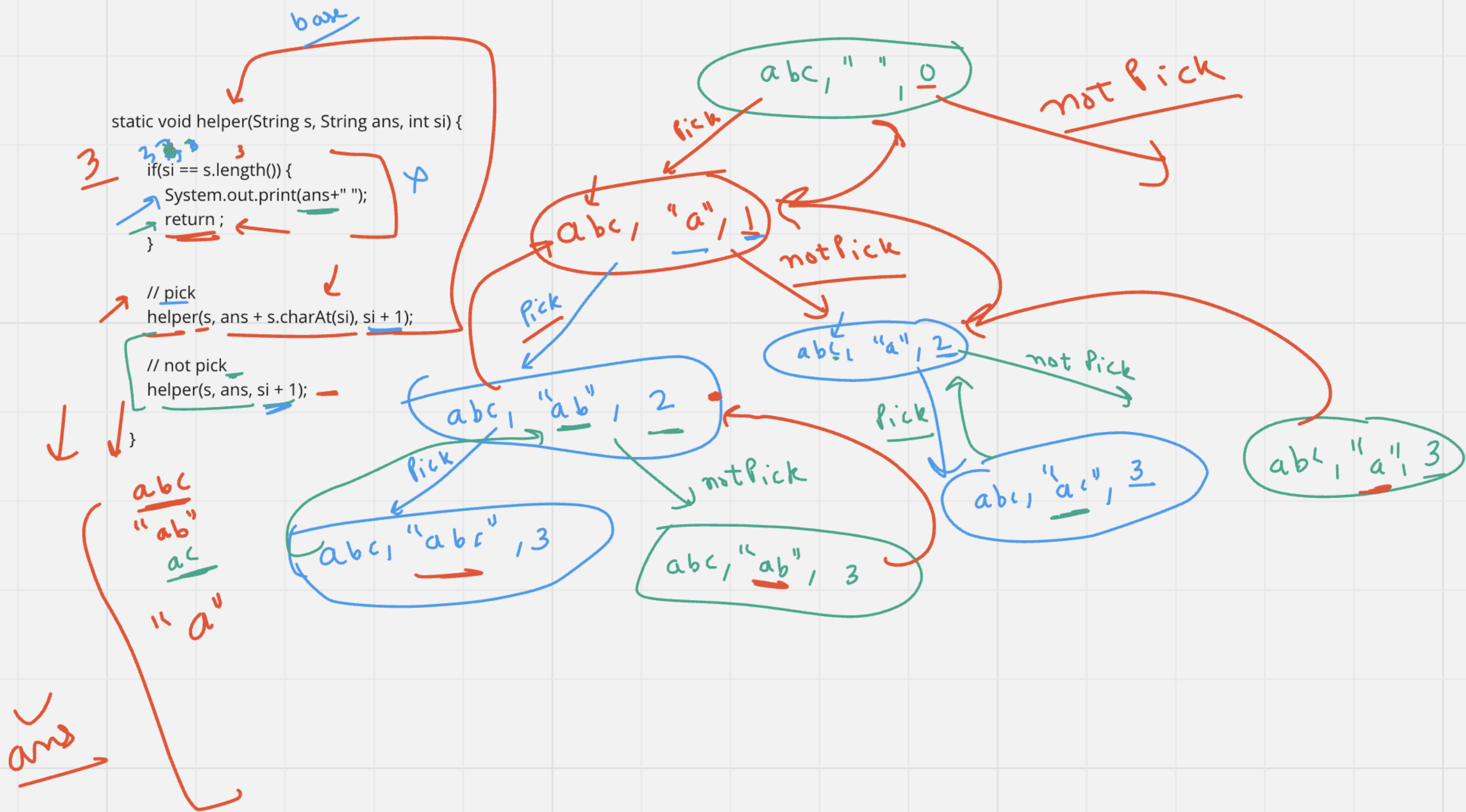
```
    printStairPaths(n-3, pathSoFar + "3");
```

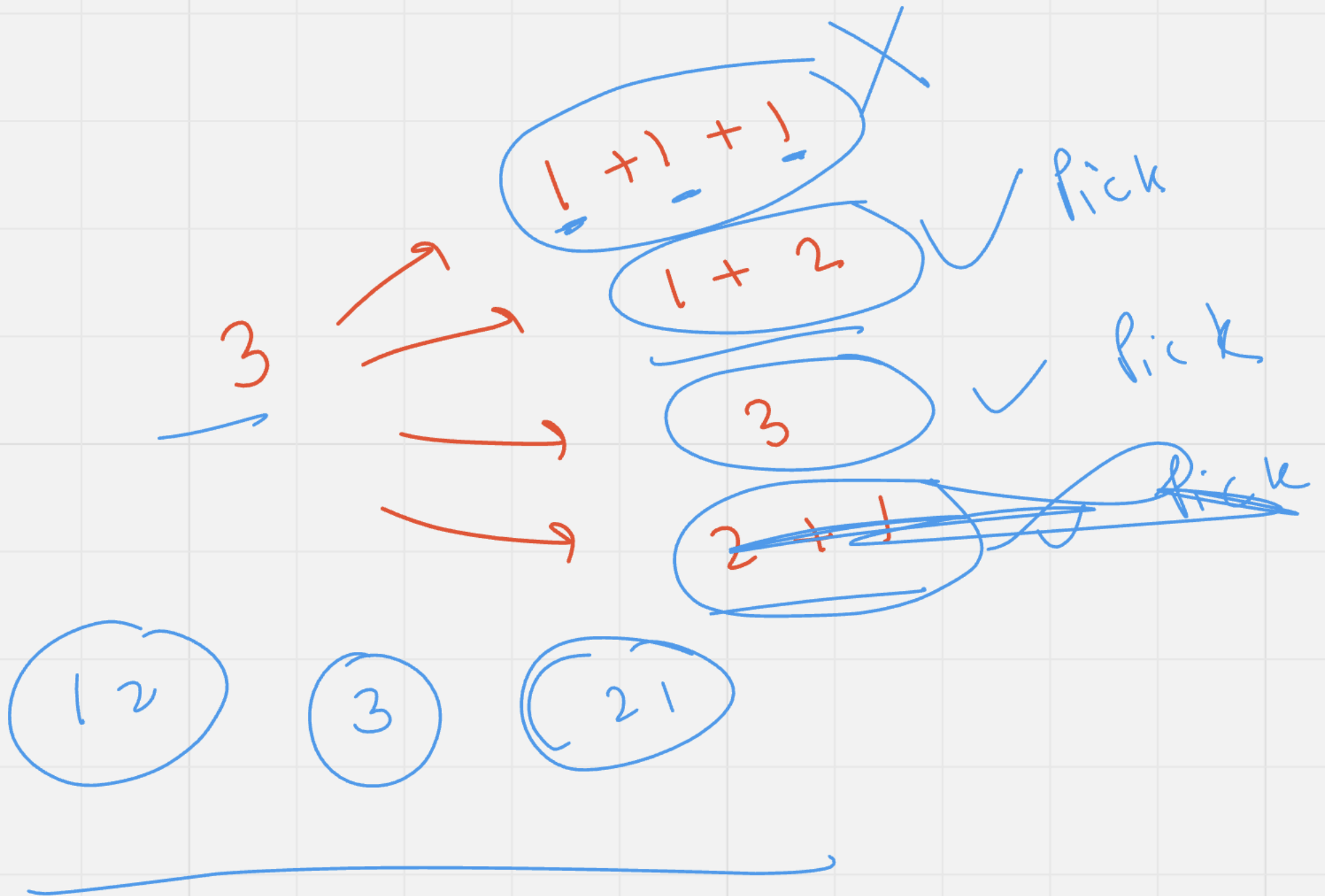
```
}
```











$$\begin{array}{r} \overbrace{1+1+1}^4 \\ 6 \rightarrow \underline{\underline{1+2+3}} \end{array}$$

$$\underline{\underline{1+3+2}} \quad \checkmark$$

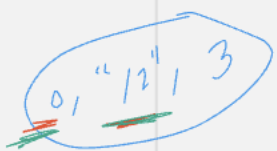
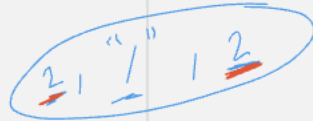
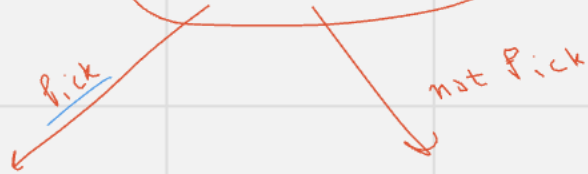
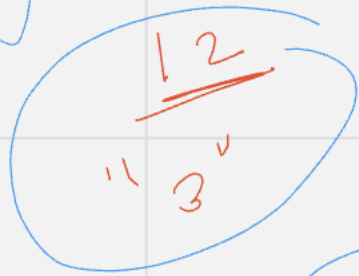
$$\underline{\underline{1+4+1}} \quad \alpha$$

$$\underline{\underline{1+5}} \quad \checkmark$$

$$\underline{\underline{6}} \quad \checkmark$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 2+4 \\ \hline 3+3 \end{array} \quad \checkmark$$

2✓



base Case



base case

