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# YEAH Assignment 3

— Recursion! —

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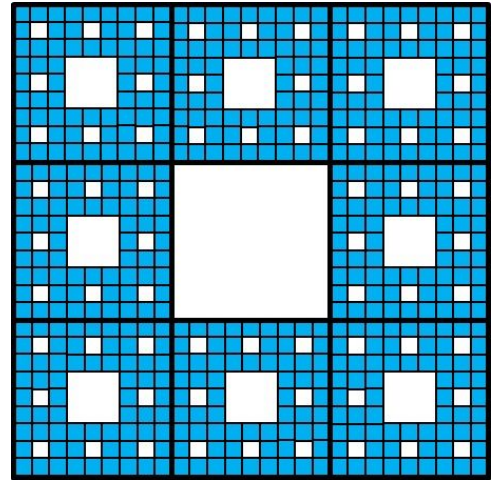
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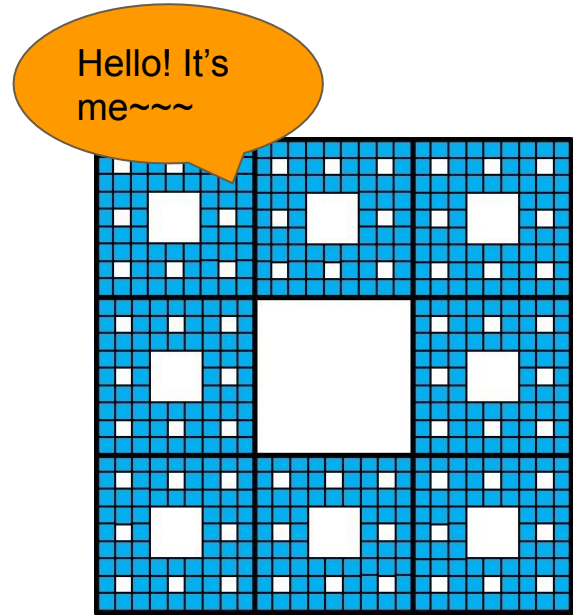
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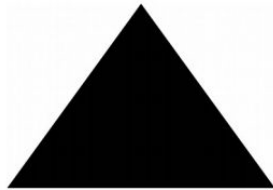
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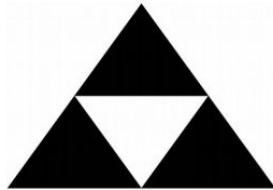
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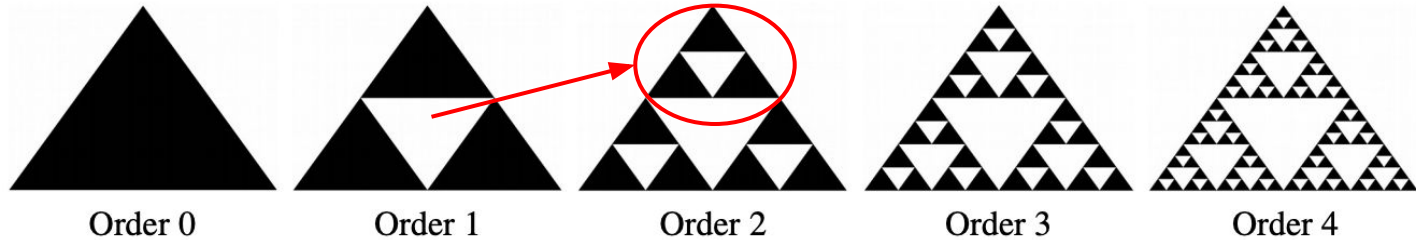
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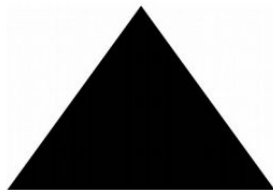
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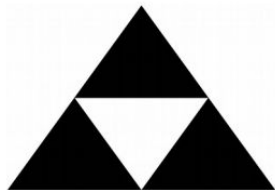


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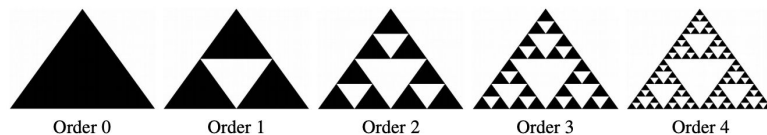
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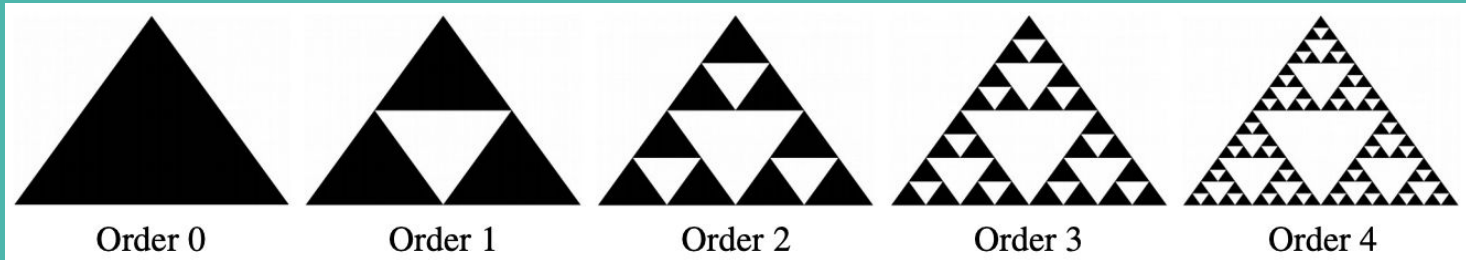
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  - Highly recommend drawing this one out and planning exactly where your points are going to be before coding. Even if you understand this problem, it's still easy to make math errors (trust me! - Trip, who gets this wrong every time he tries it)

# Questions about Part 1?



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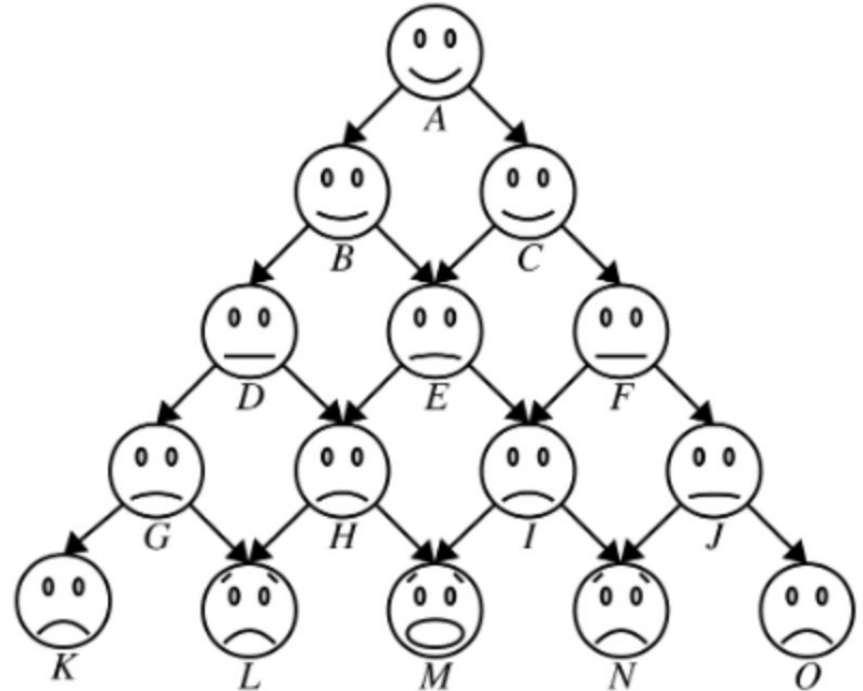
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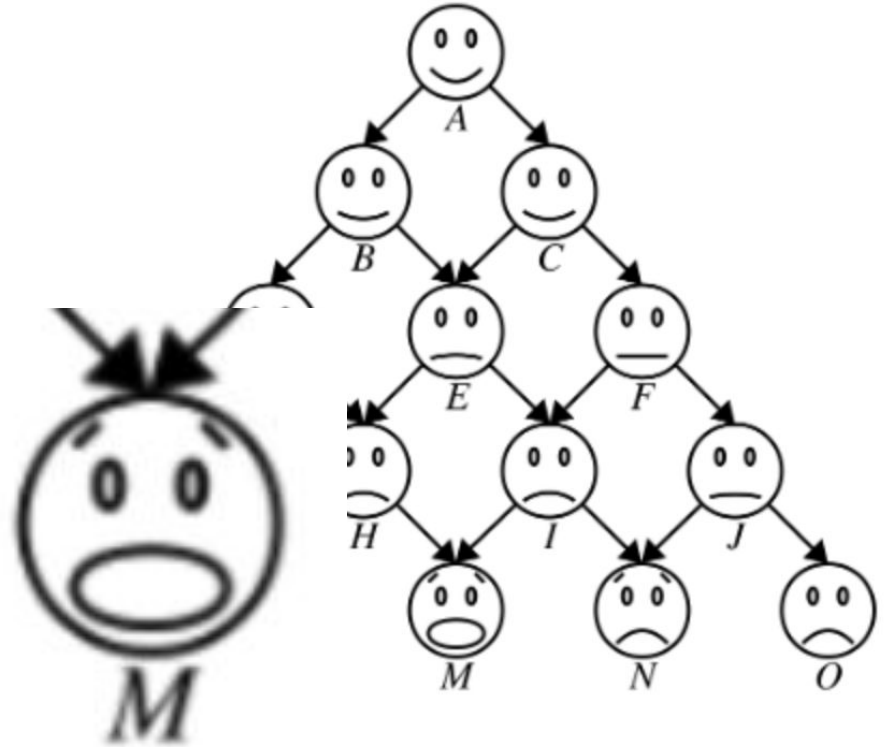
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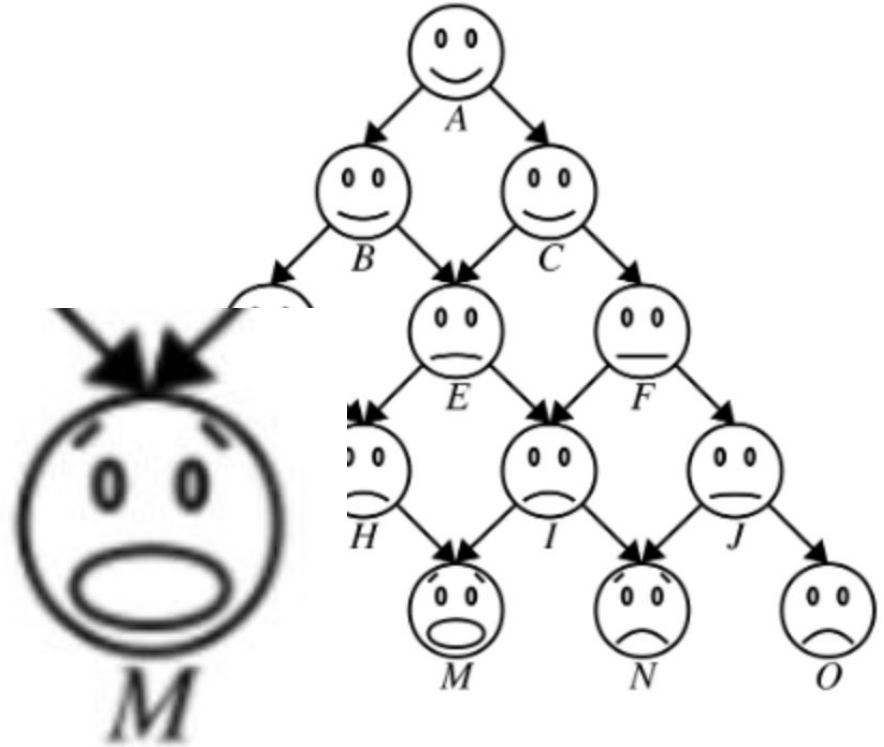
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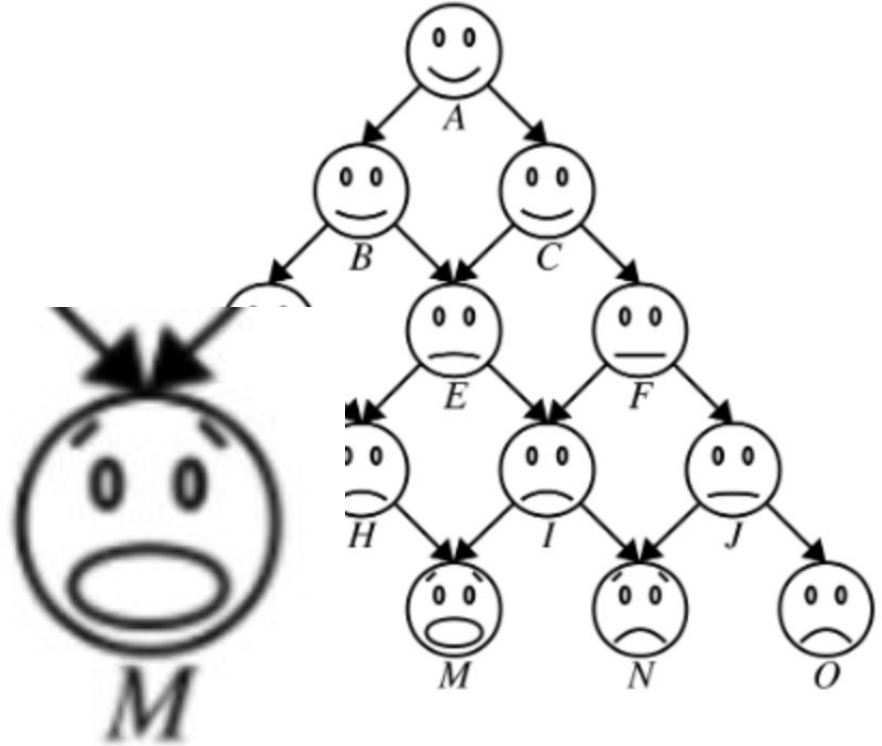
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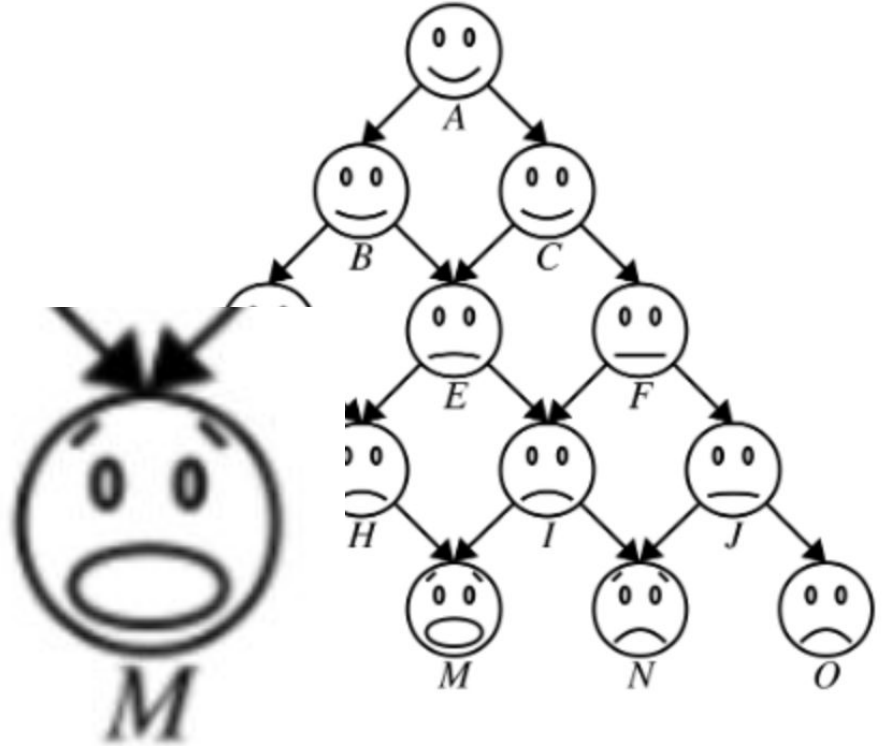
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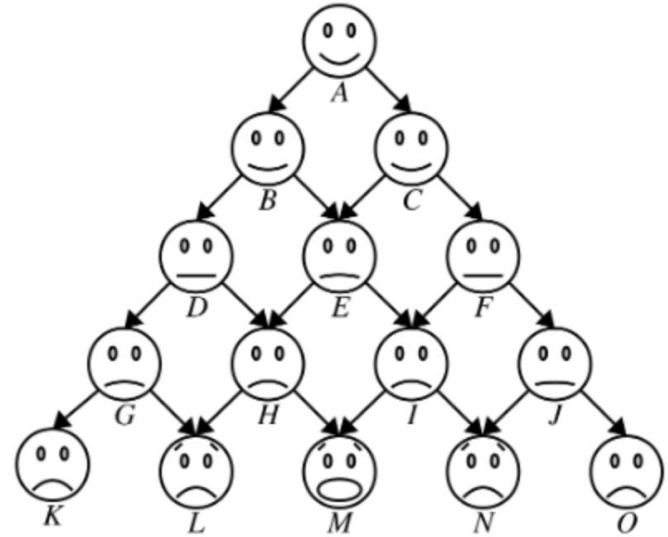




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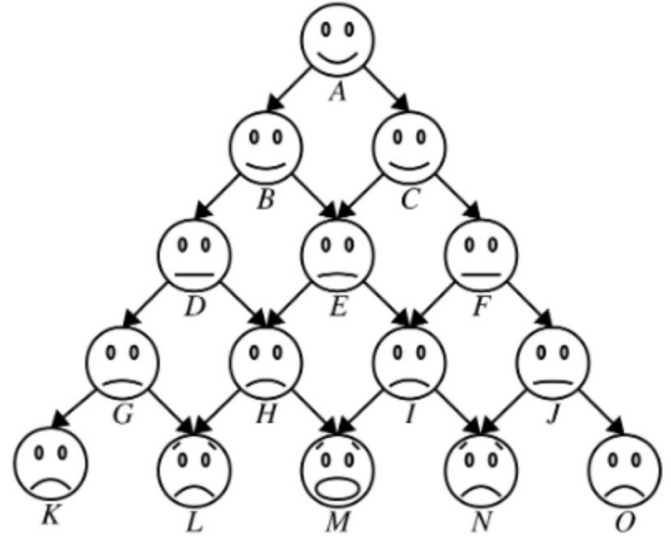
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  - Each person supports half the body weight of each of the people immediately above them, plus half of the weight that each of those people are supporting.
  - Each person weighs 160 pounds.



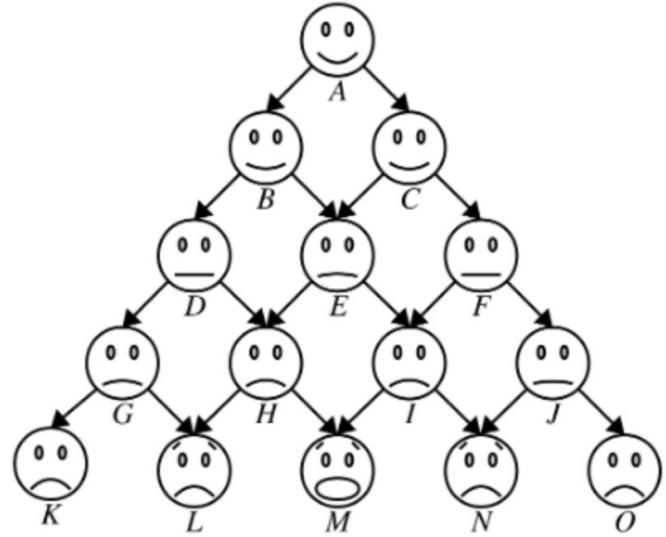
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- Let's try a few examples!



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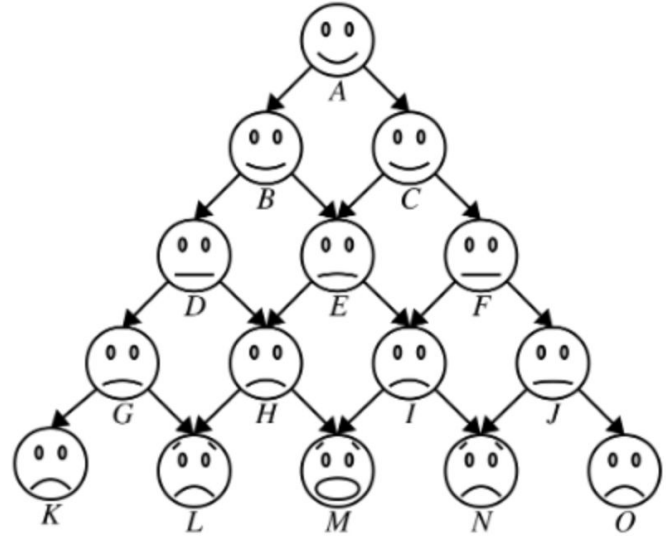
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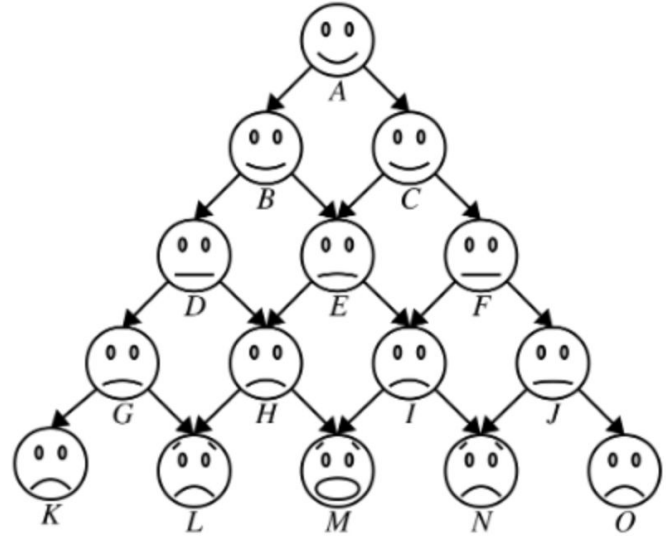
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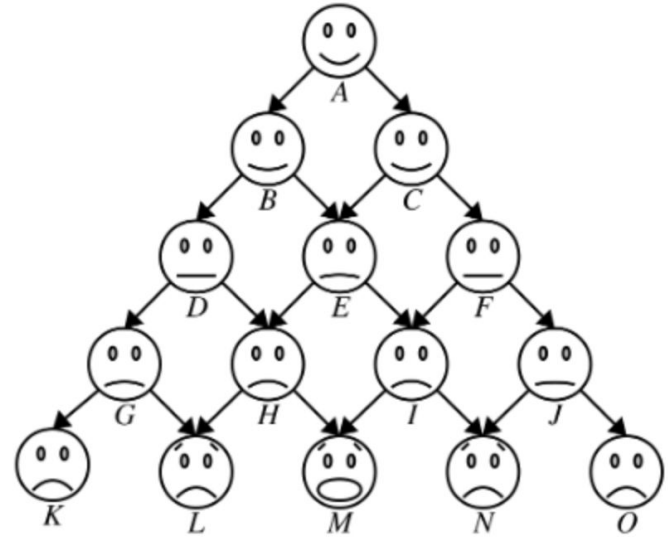
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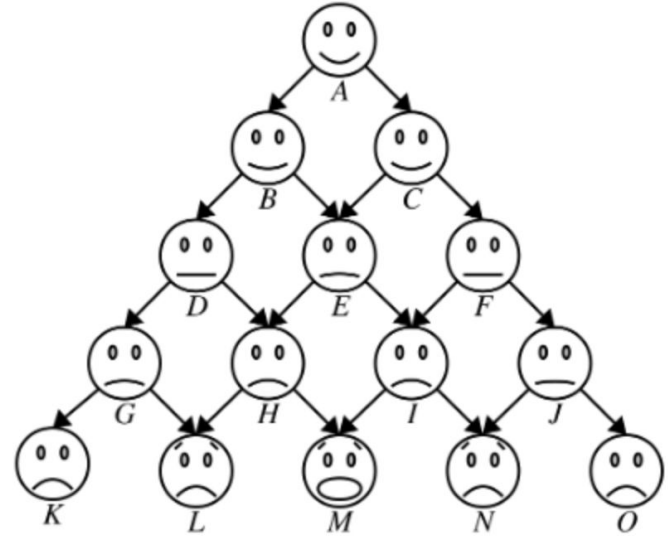
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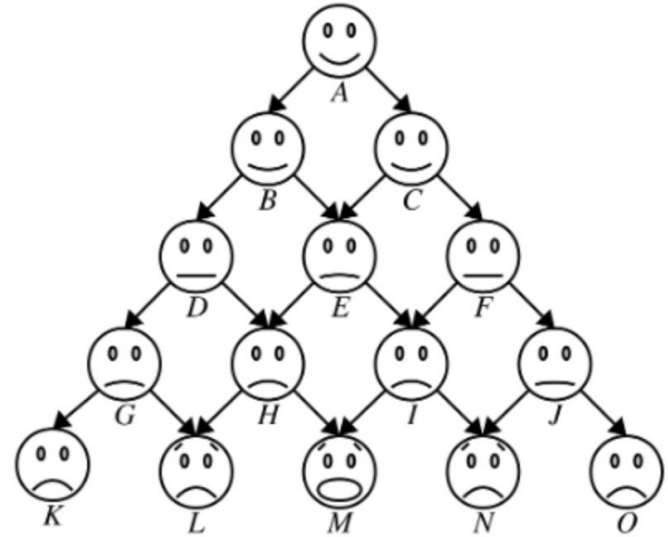
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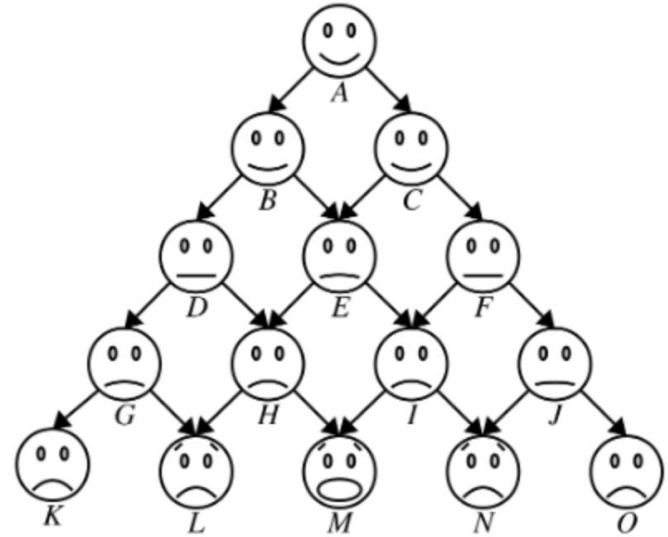
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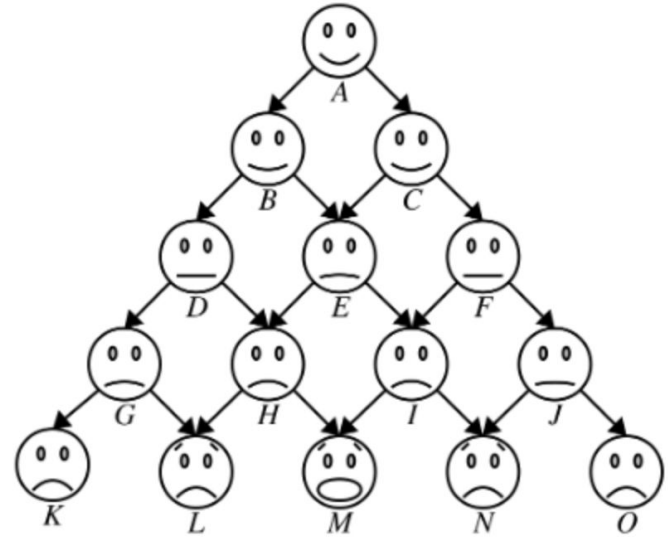
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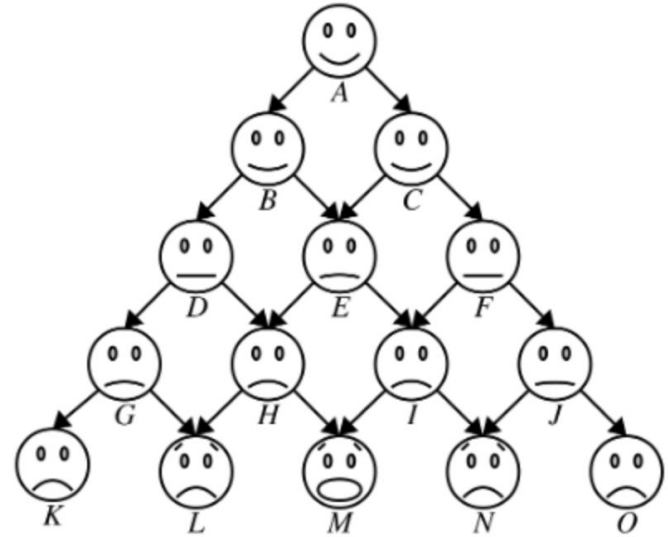
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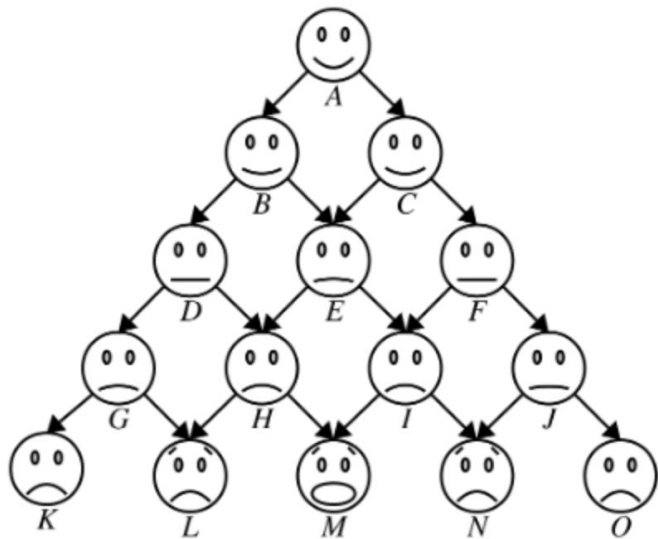
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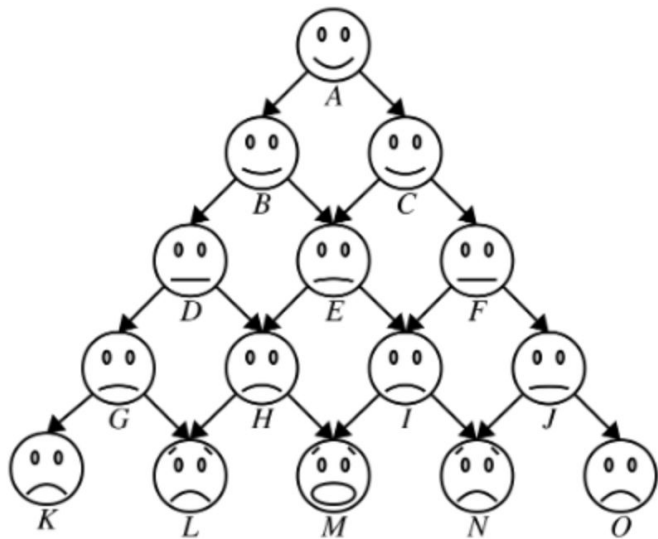
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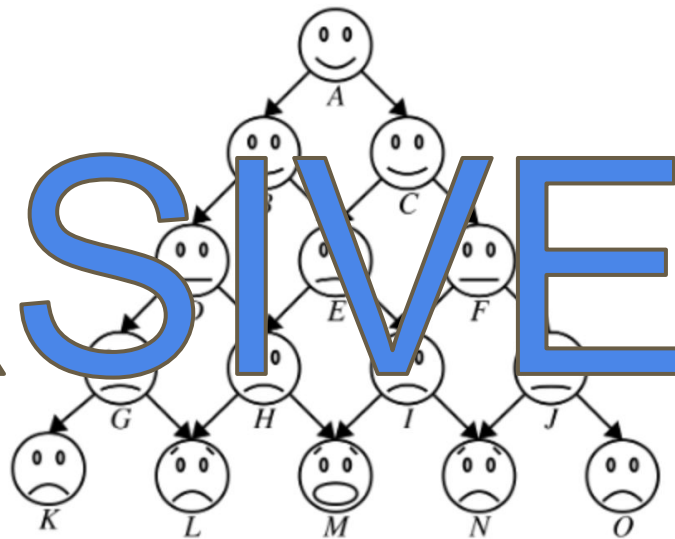


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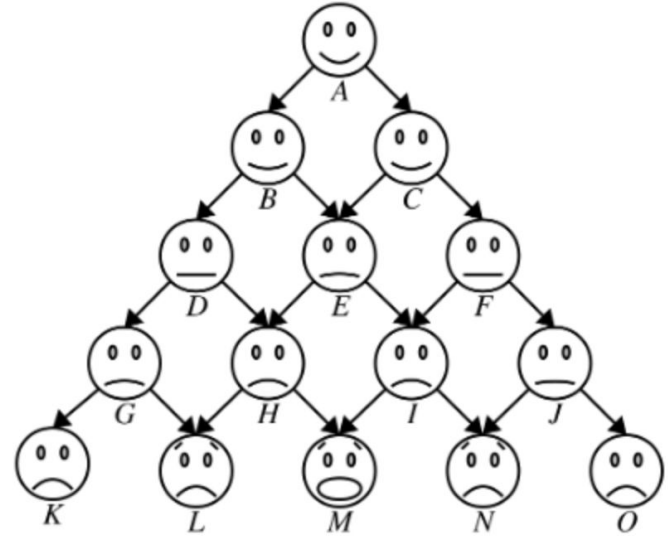
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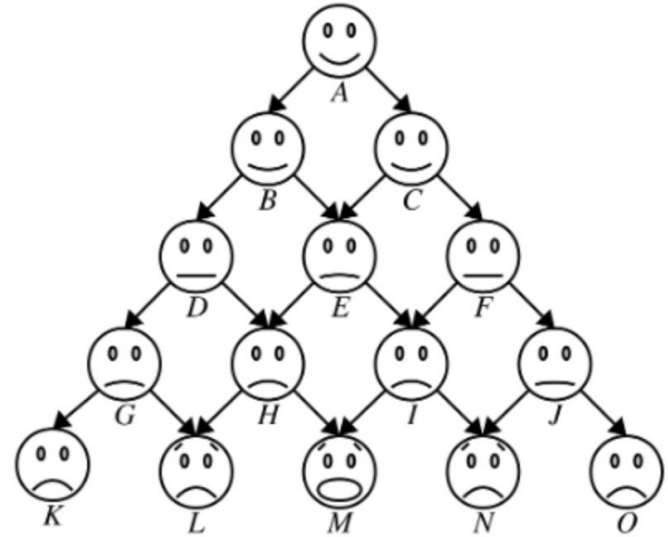
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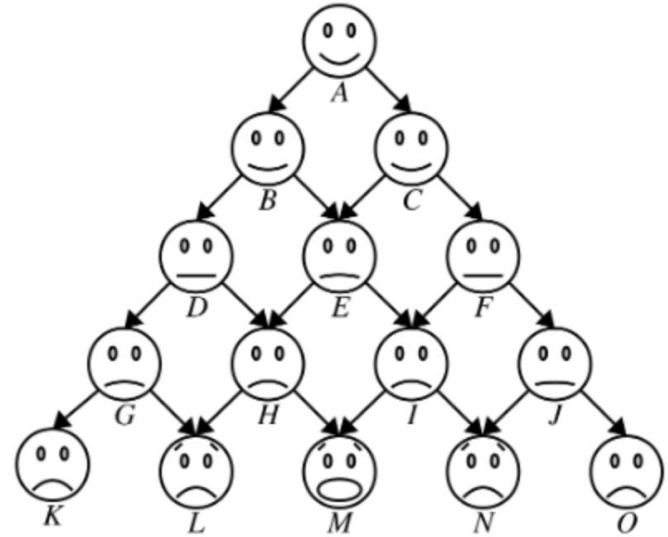
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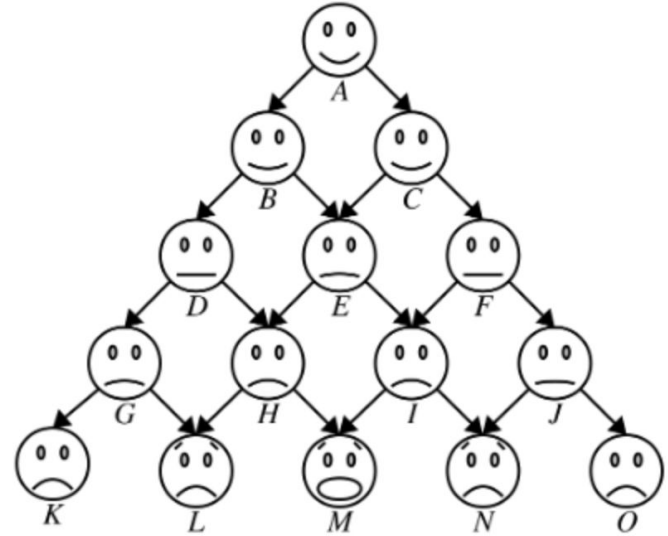
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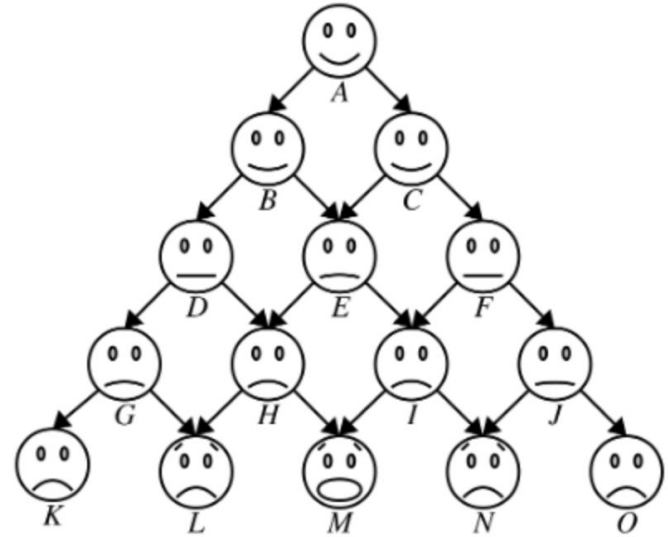
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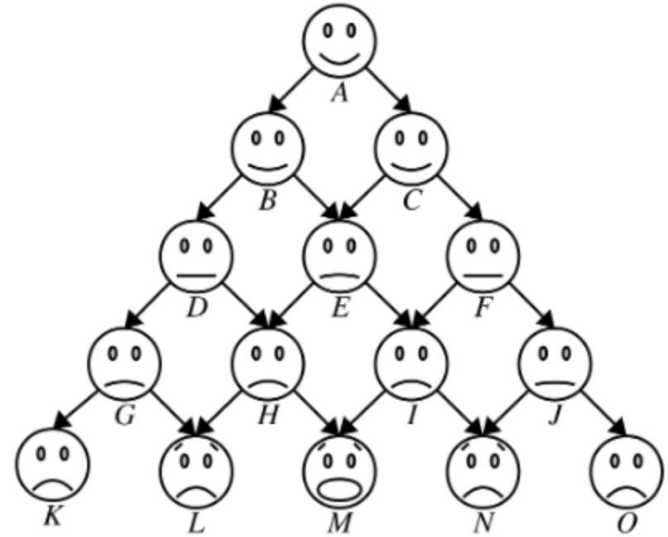
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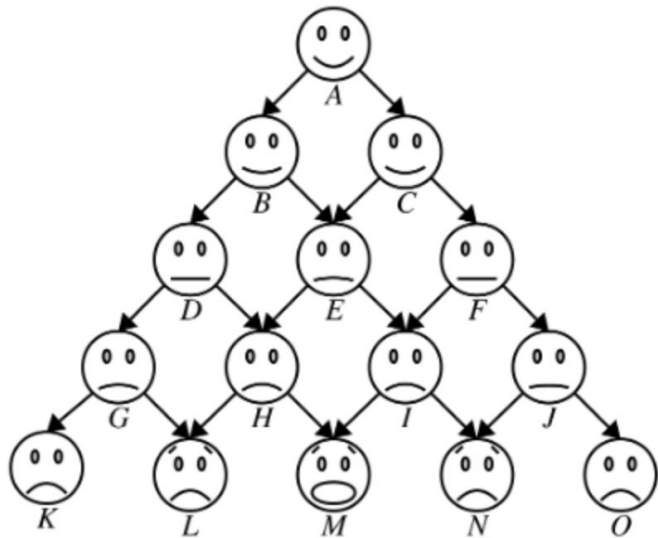
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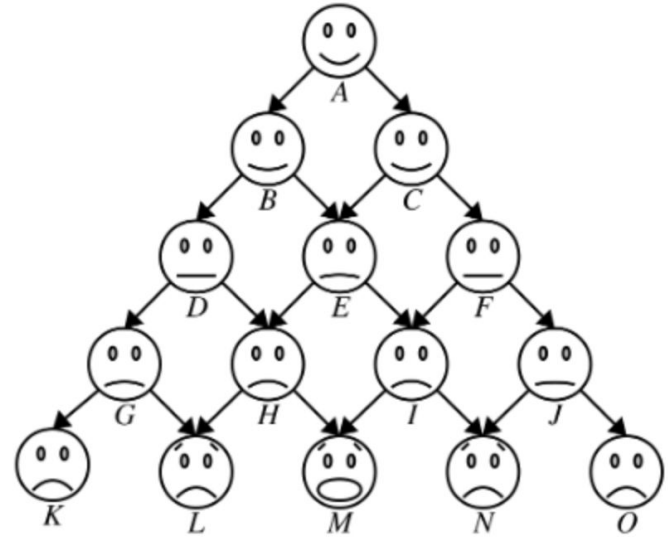
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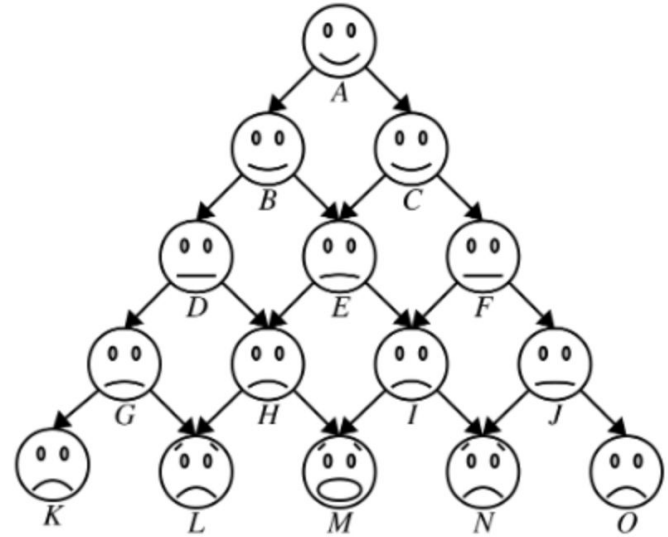
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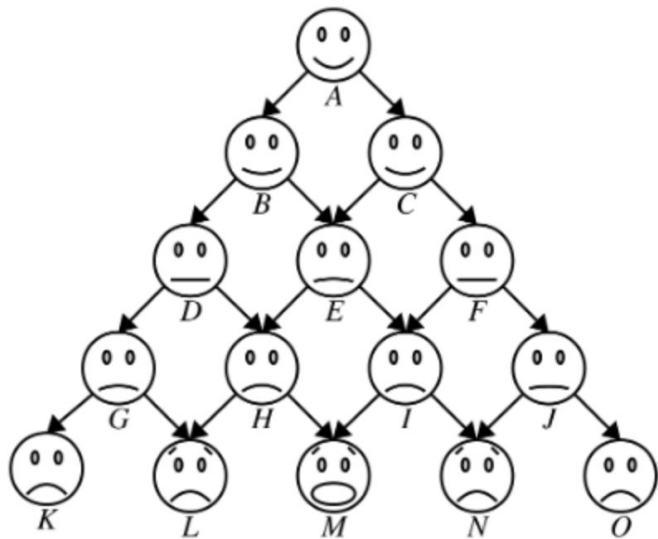
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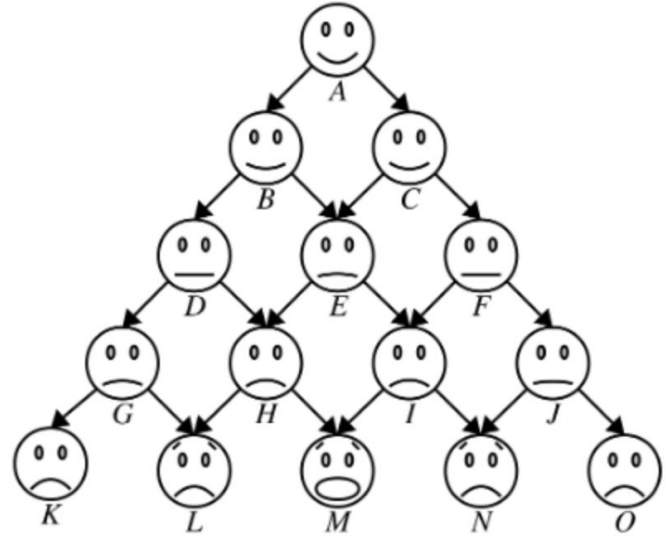
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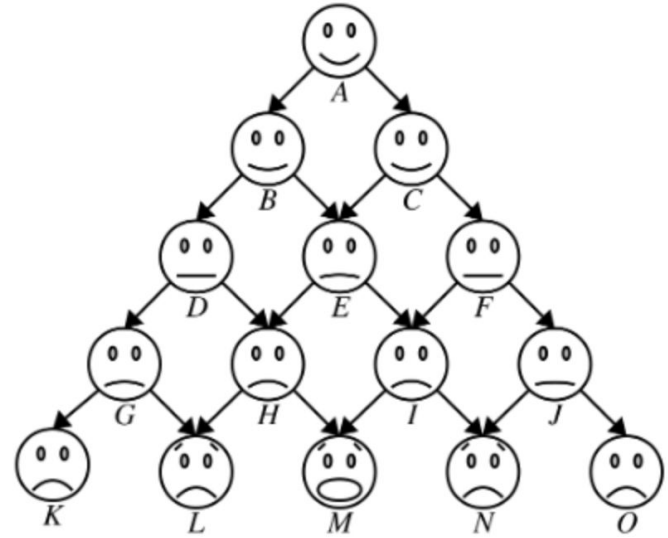
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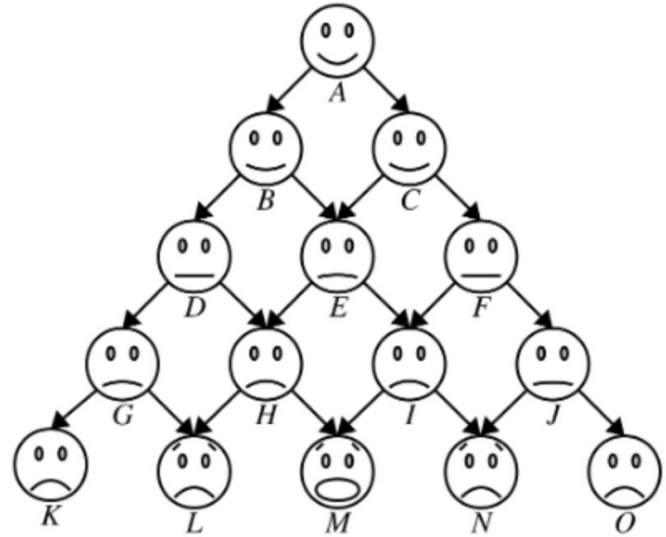
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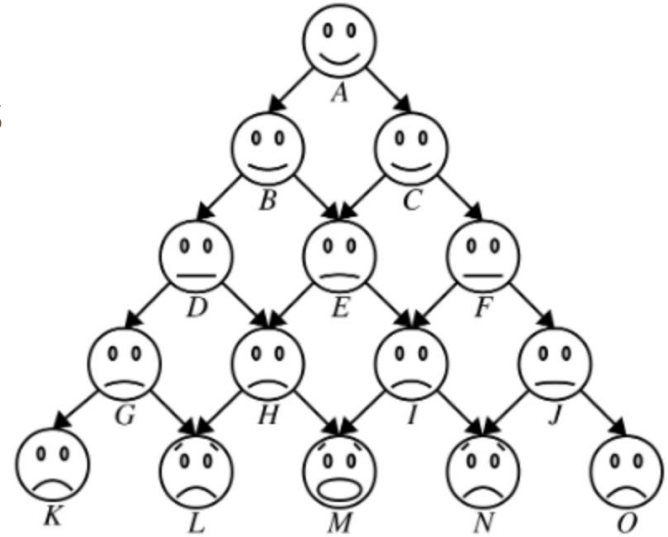
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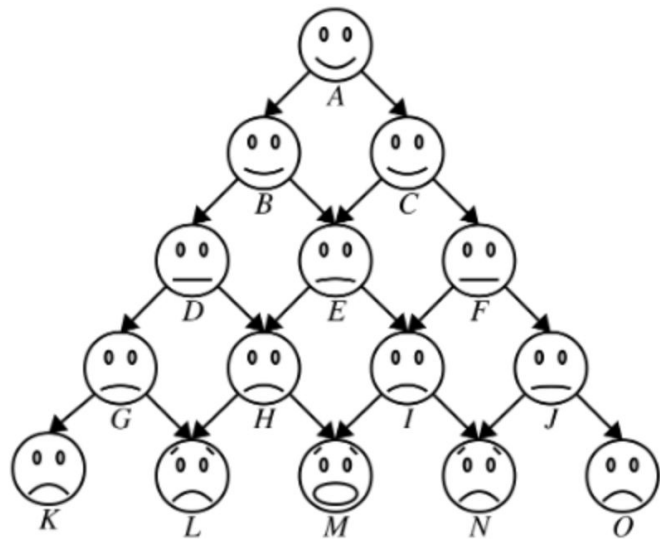
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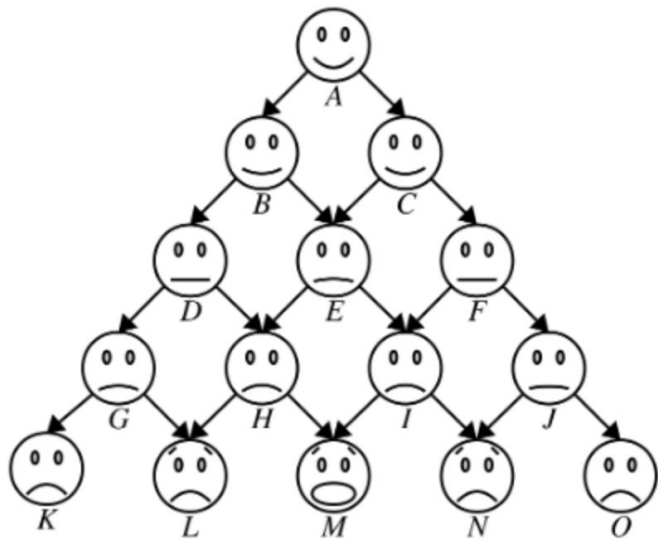
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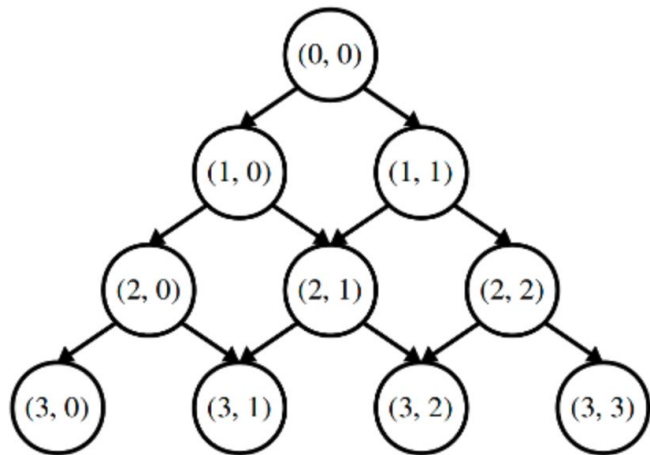
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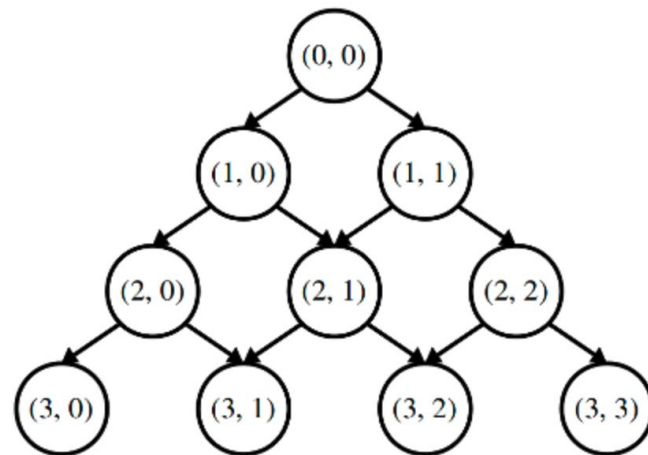
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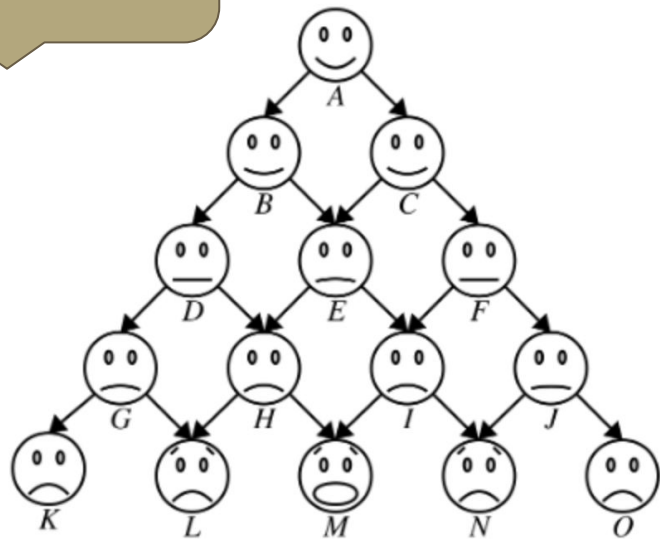
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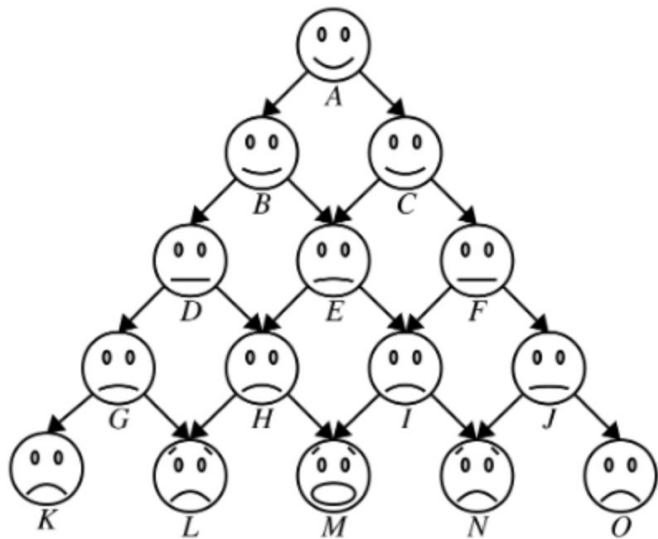
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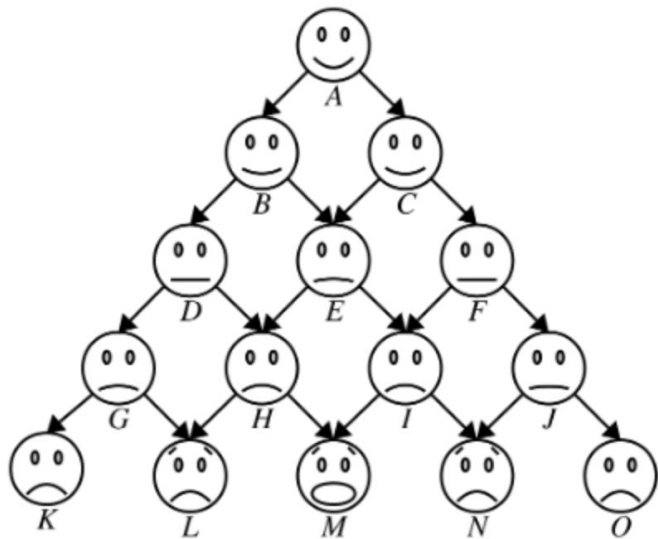


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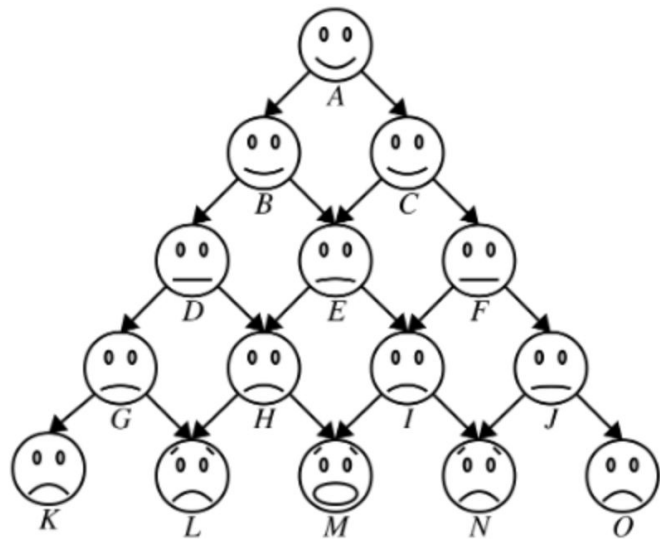
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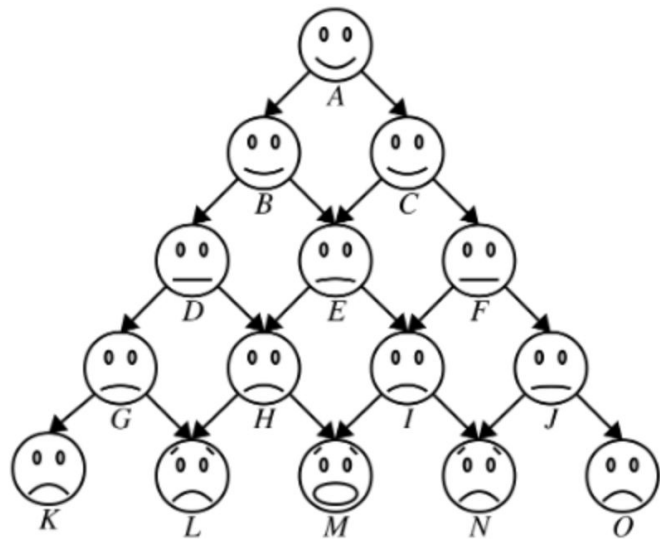
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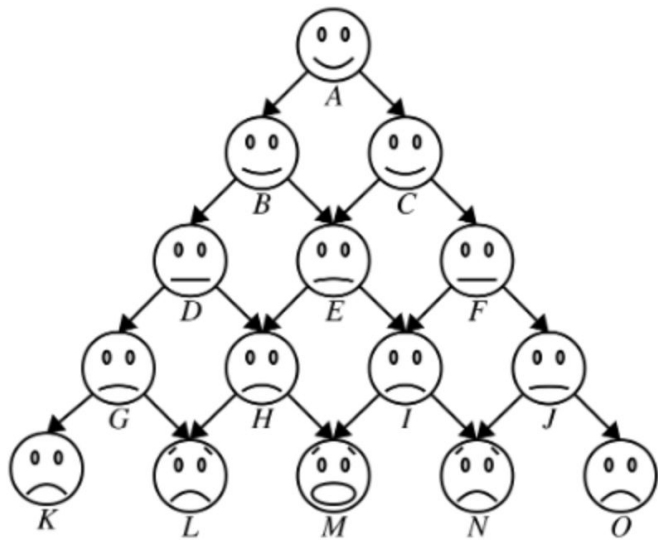
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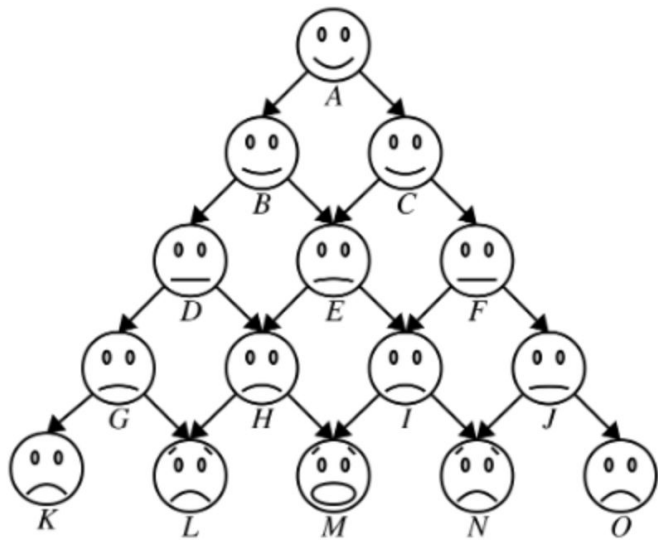
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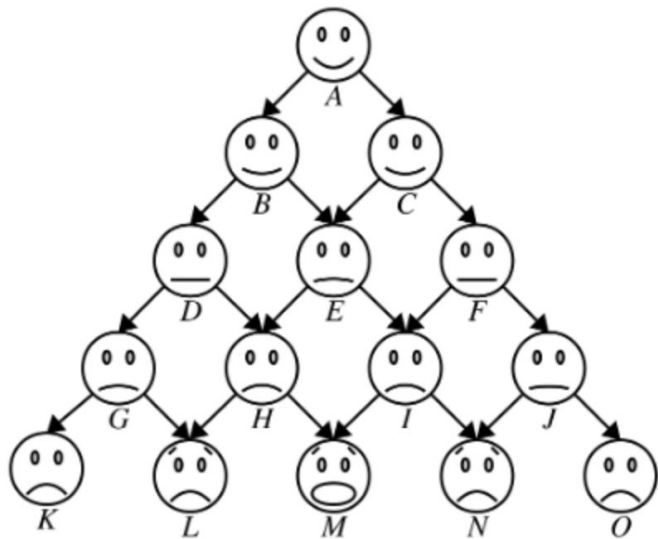
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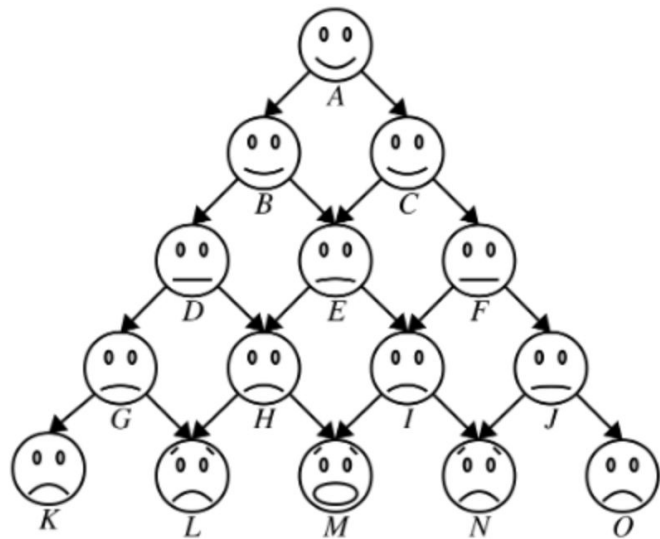
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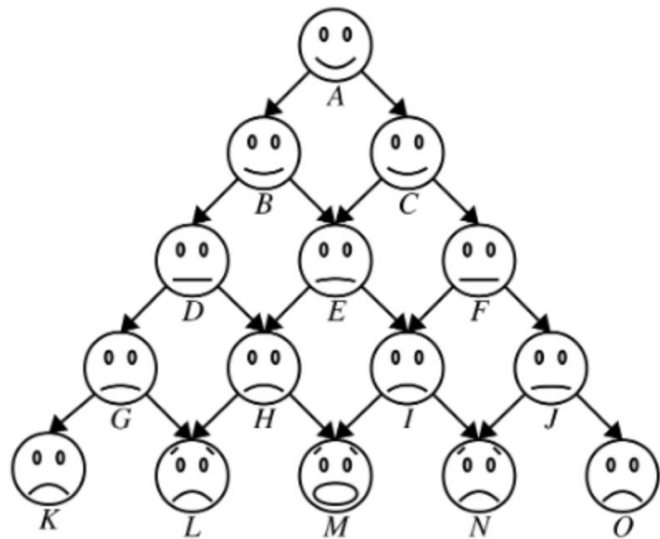
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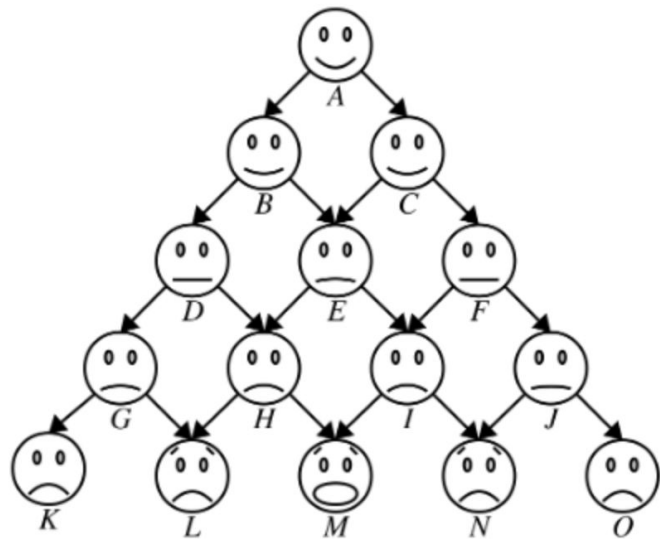
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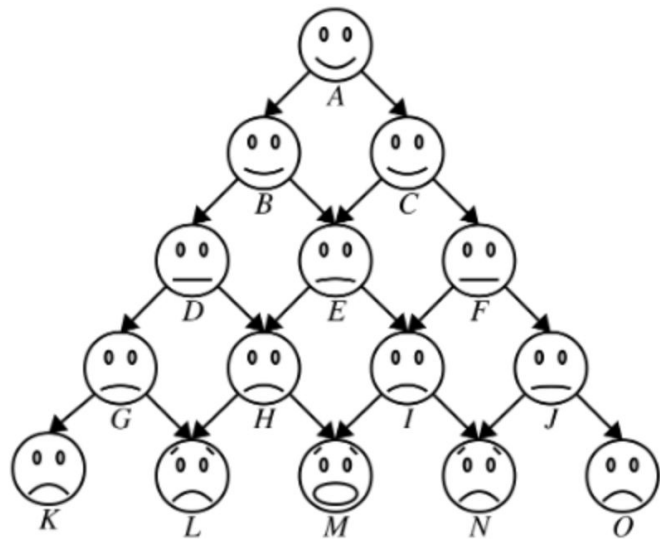
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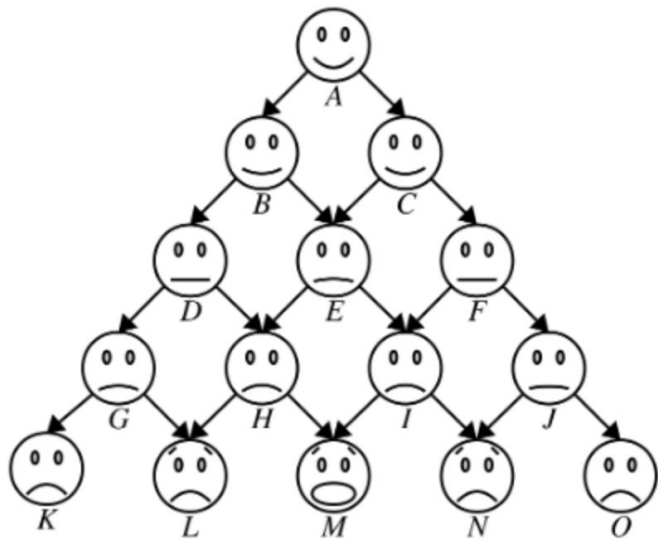
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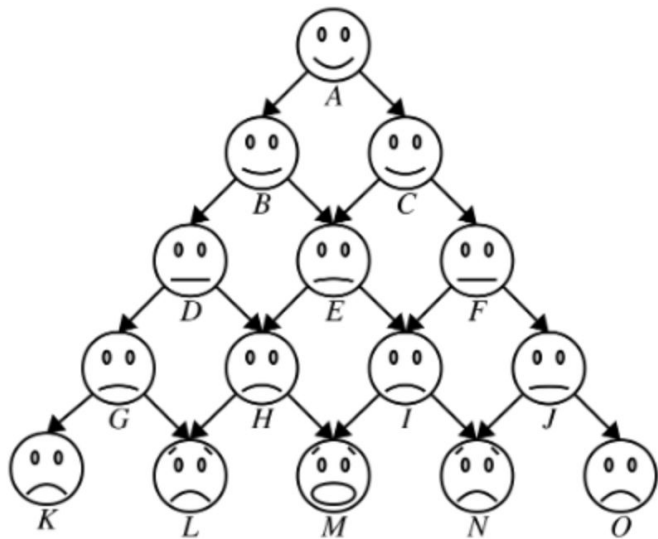
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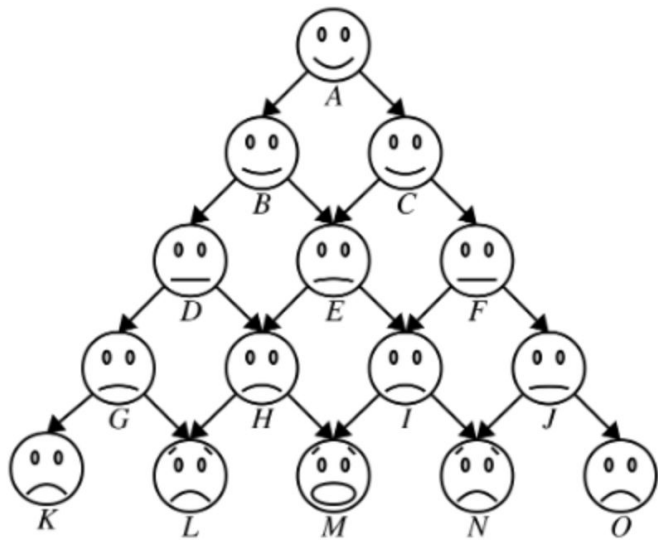
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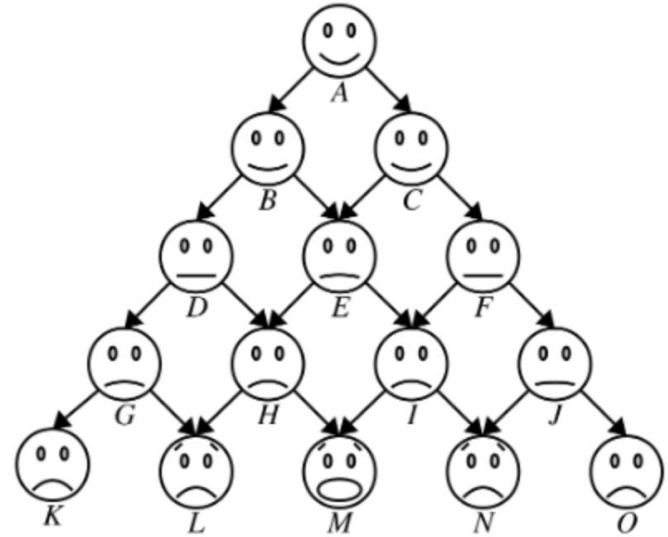
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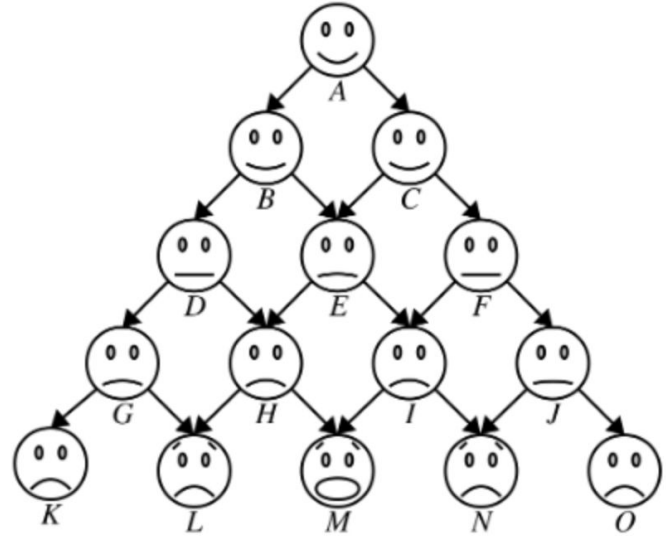
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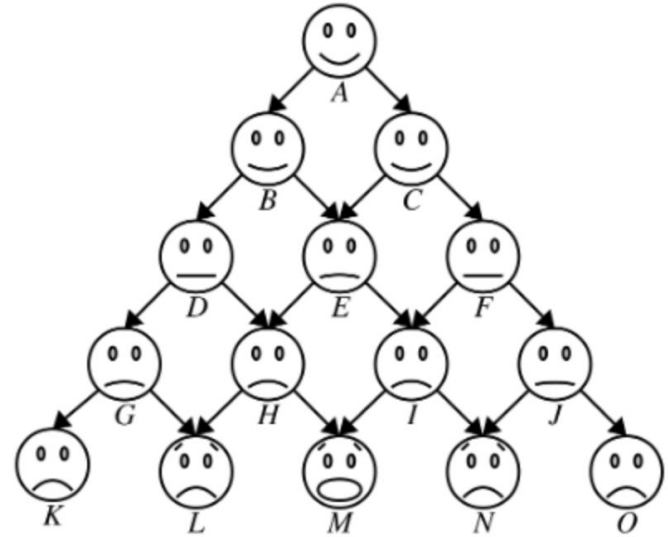
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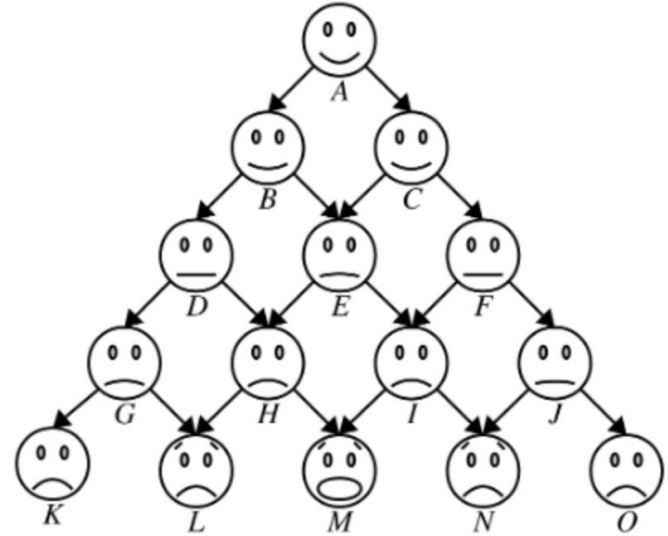
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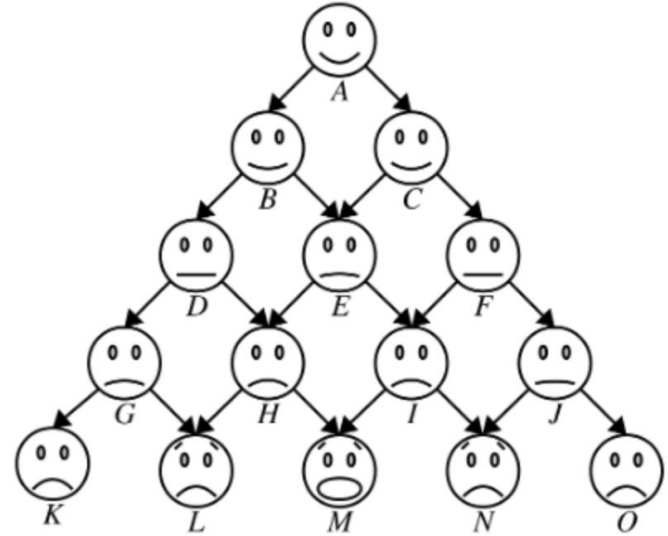
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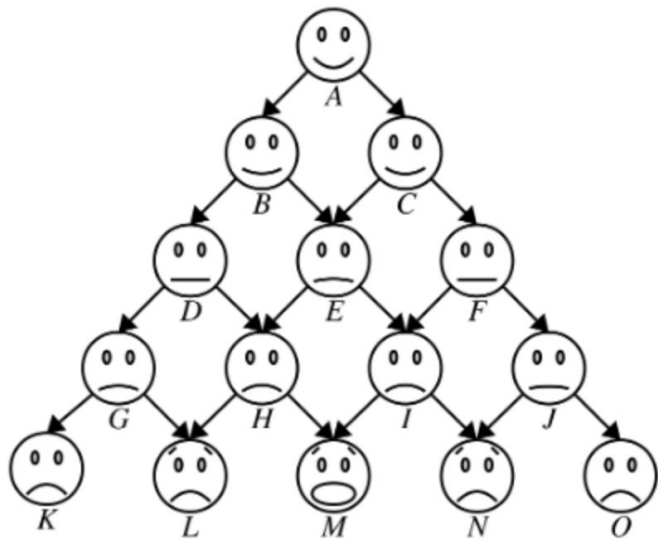
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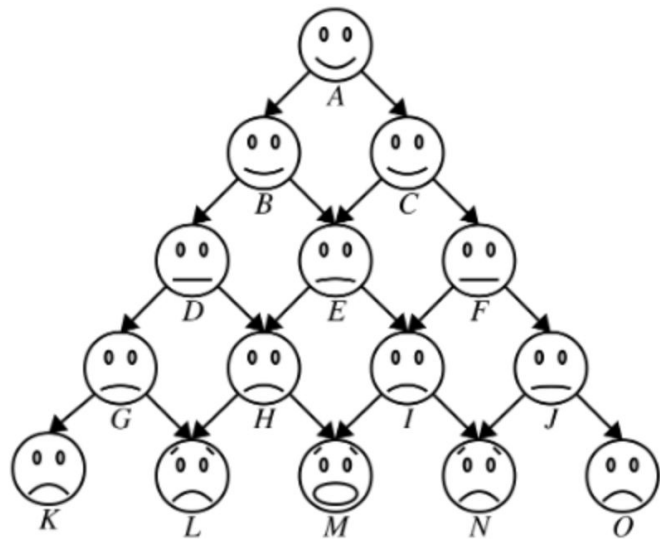
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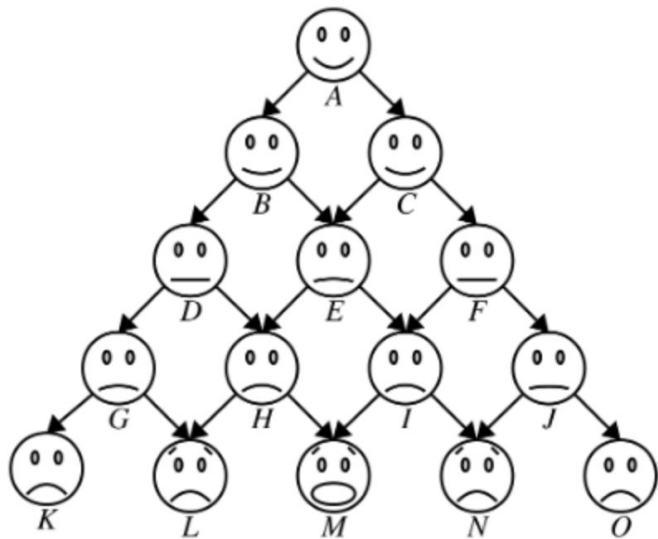
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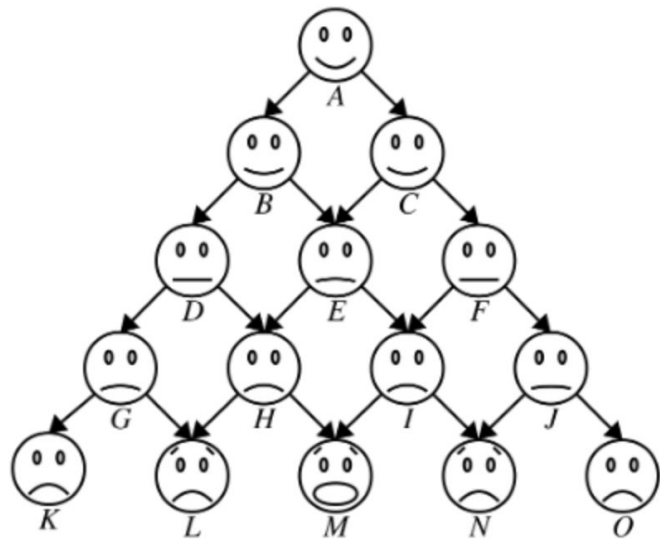
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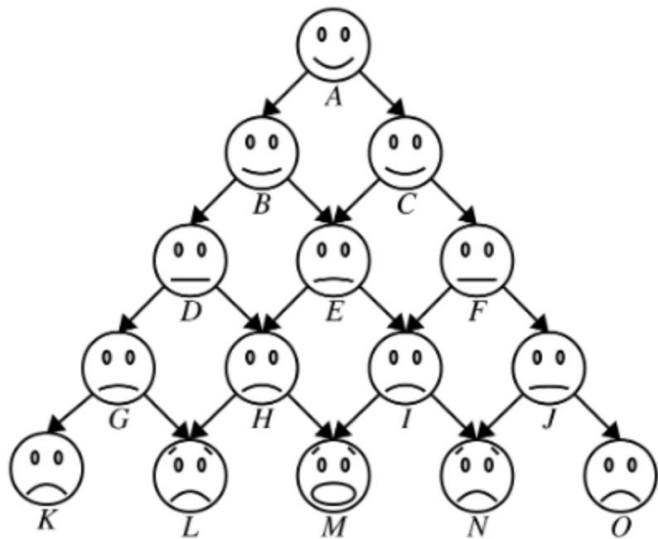
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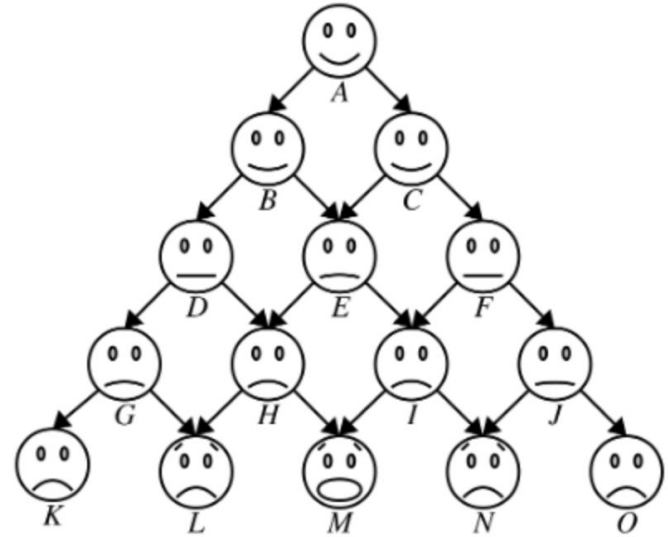
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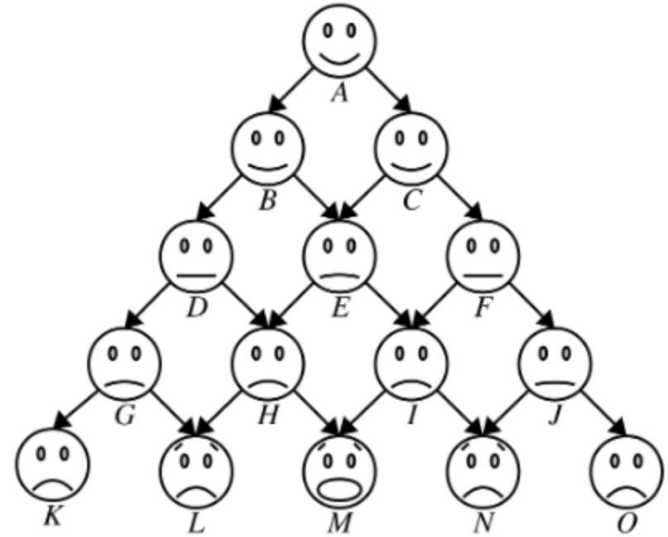
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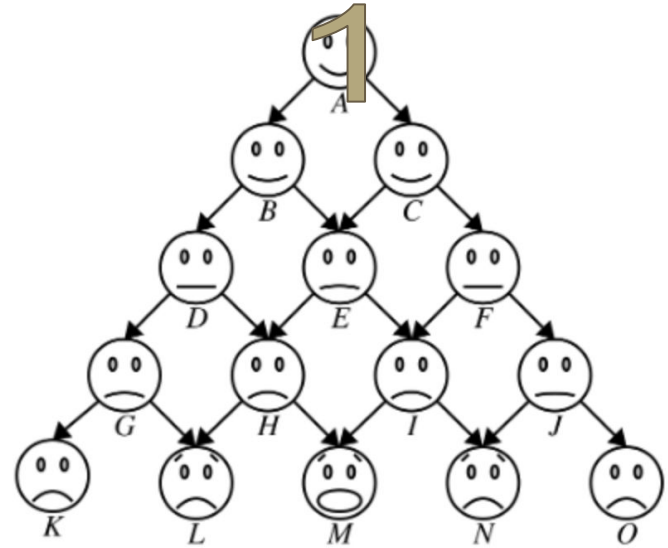
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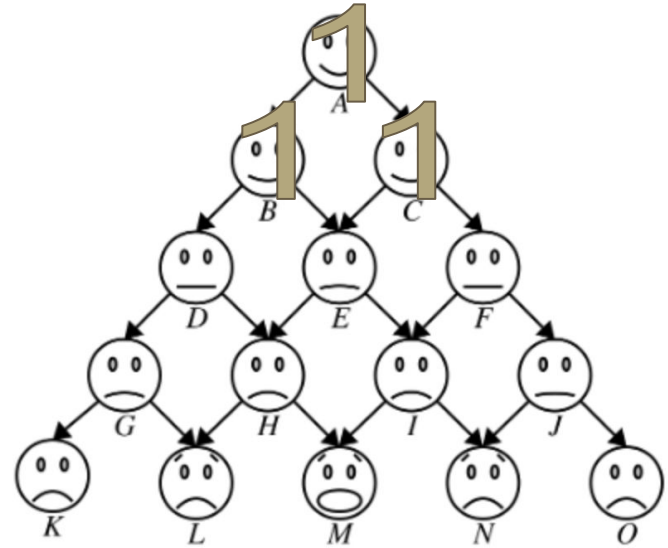
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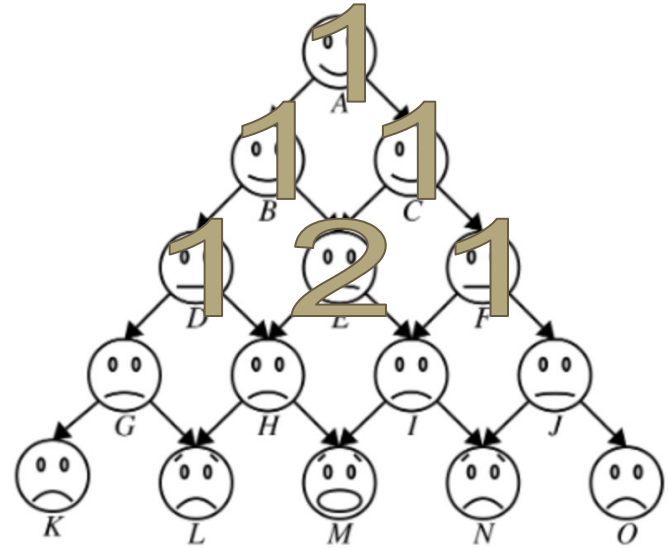
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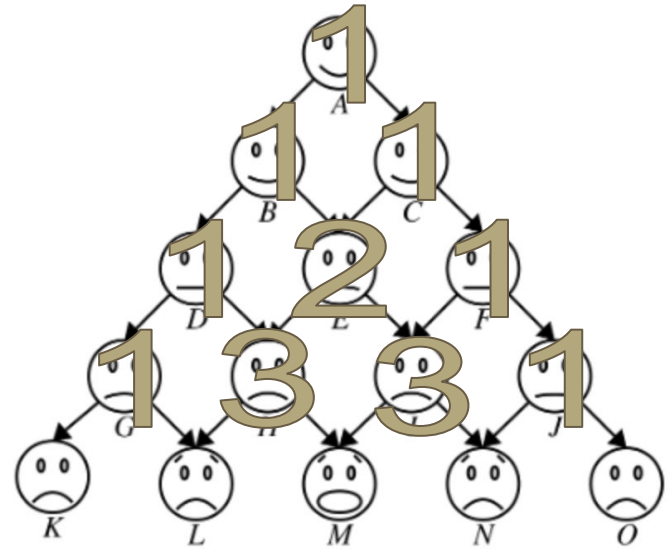
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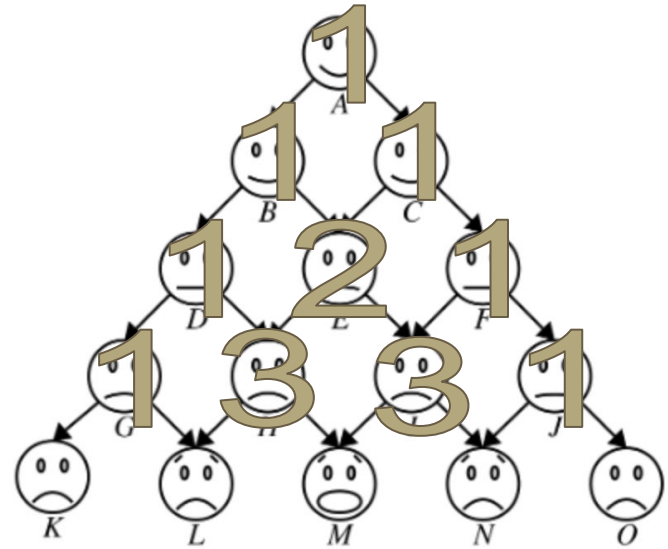
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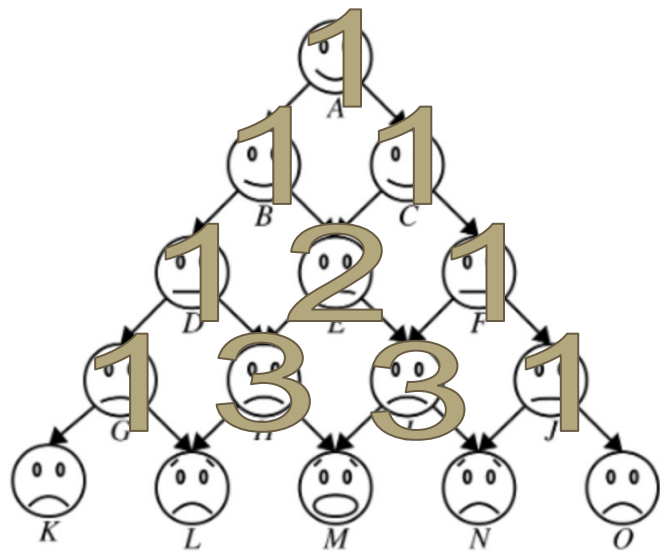
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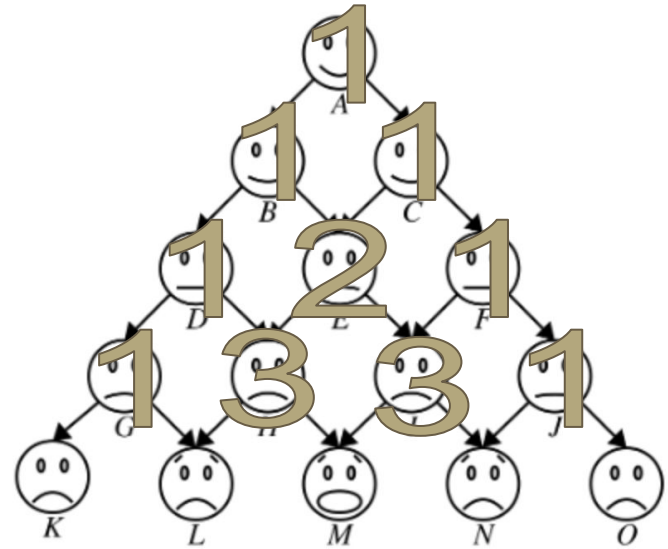
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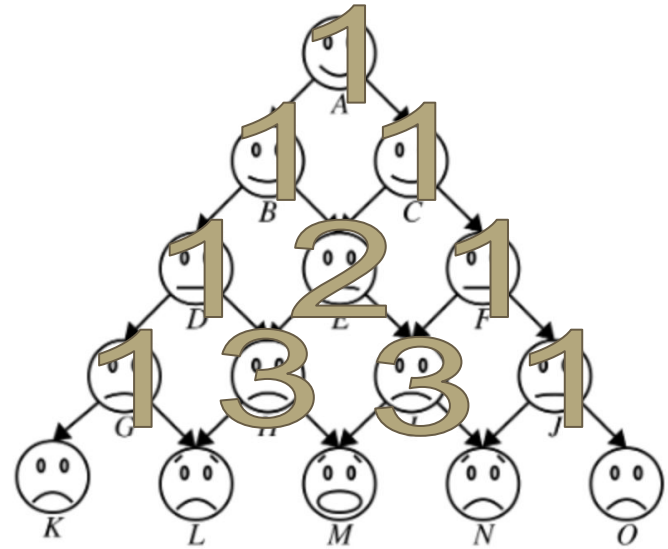
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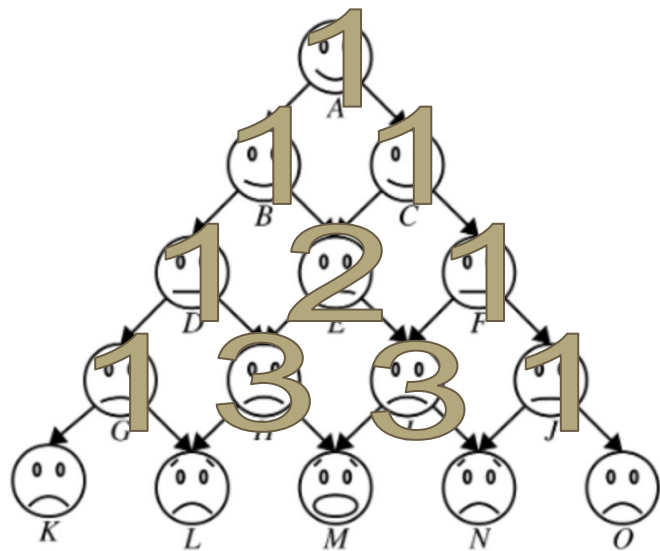
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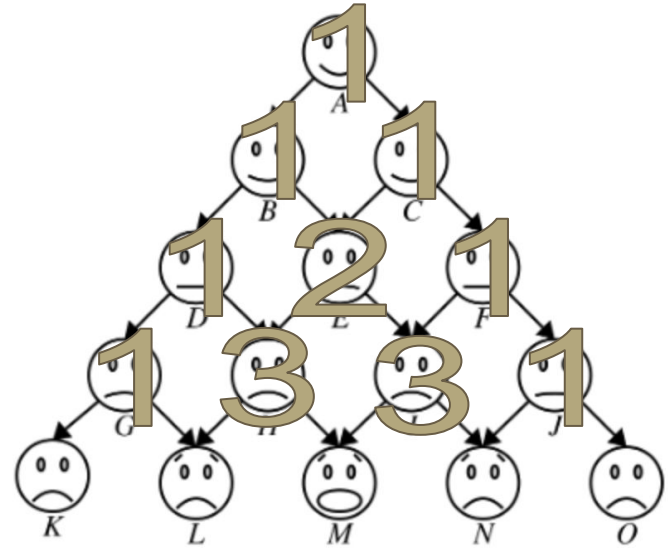
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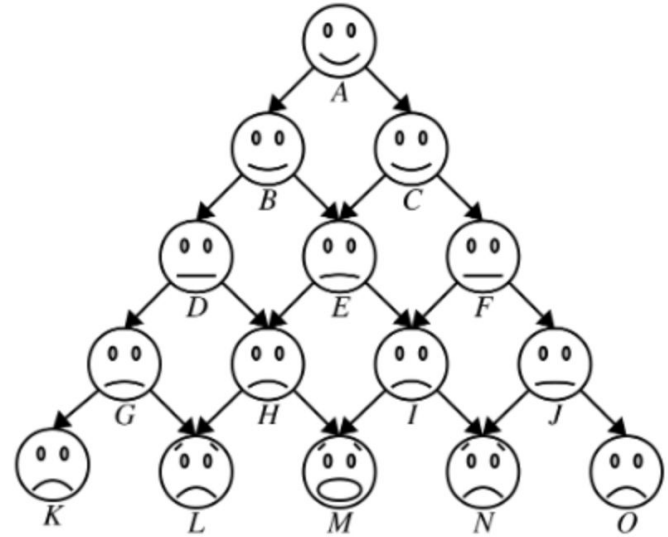
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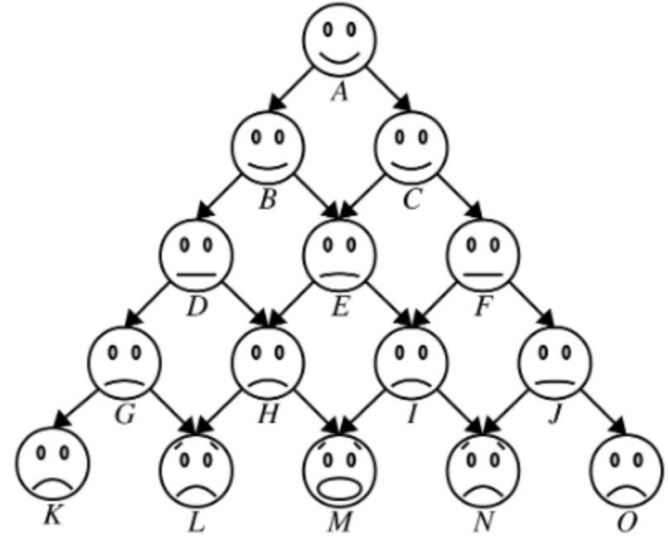
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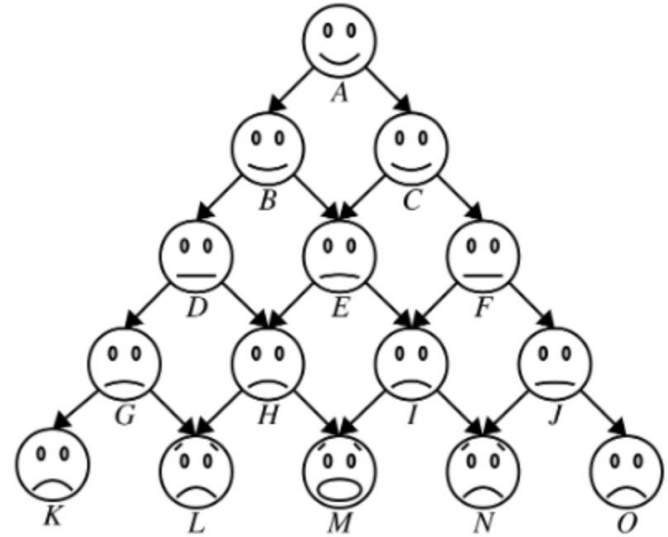
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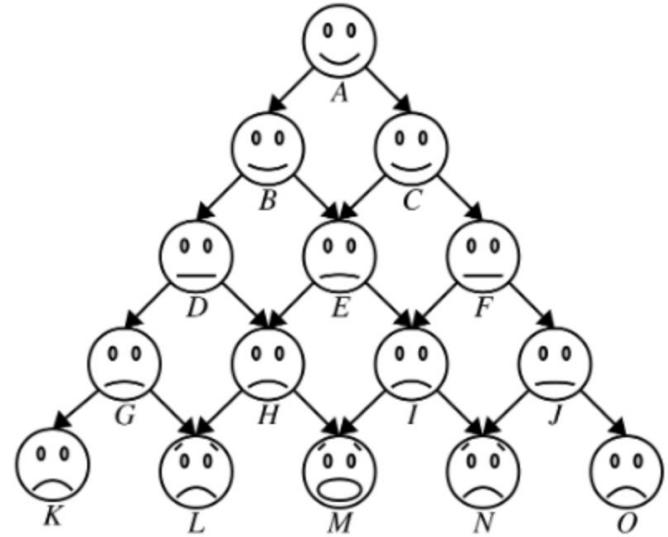
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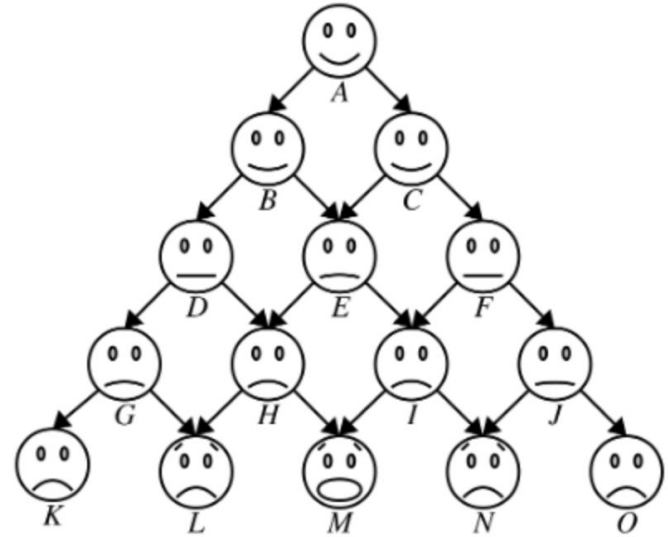
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## With Memoization:

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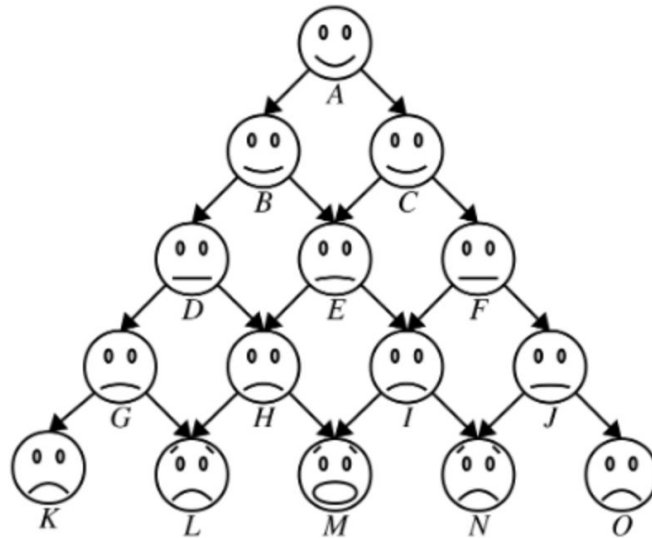
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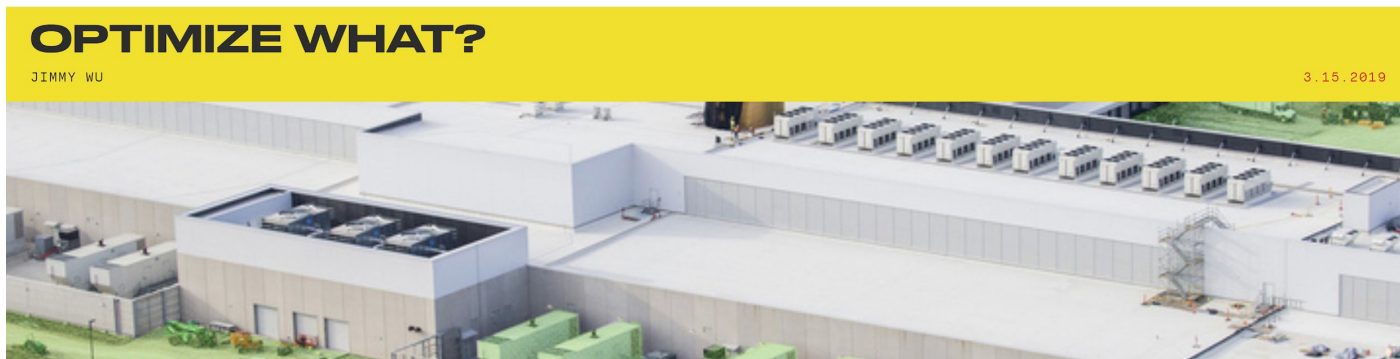
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