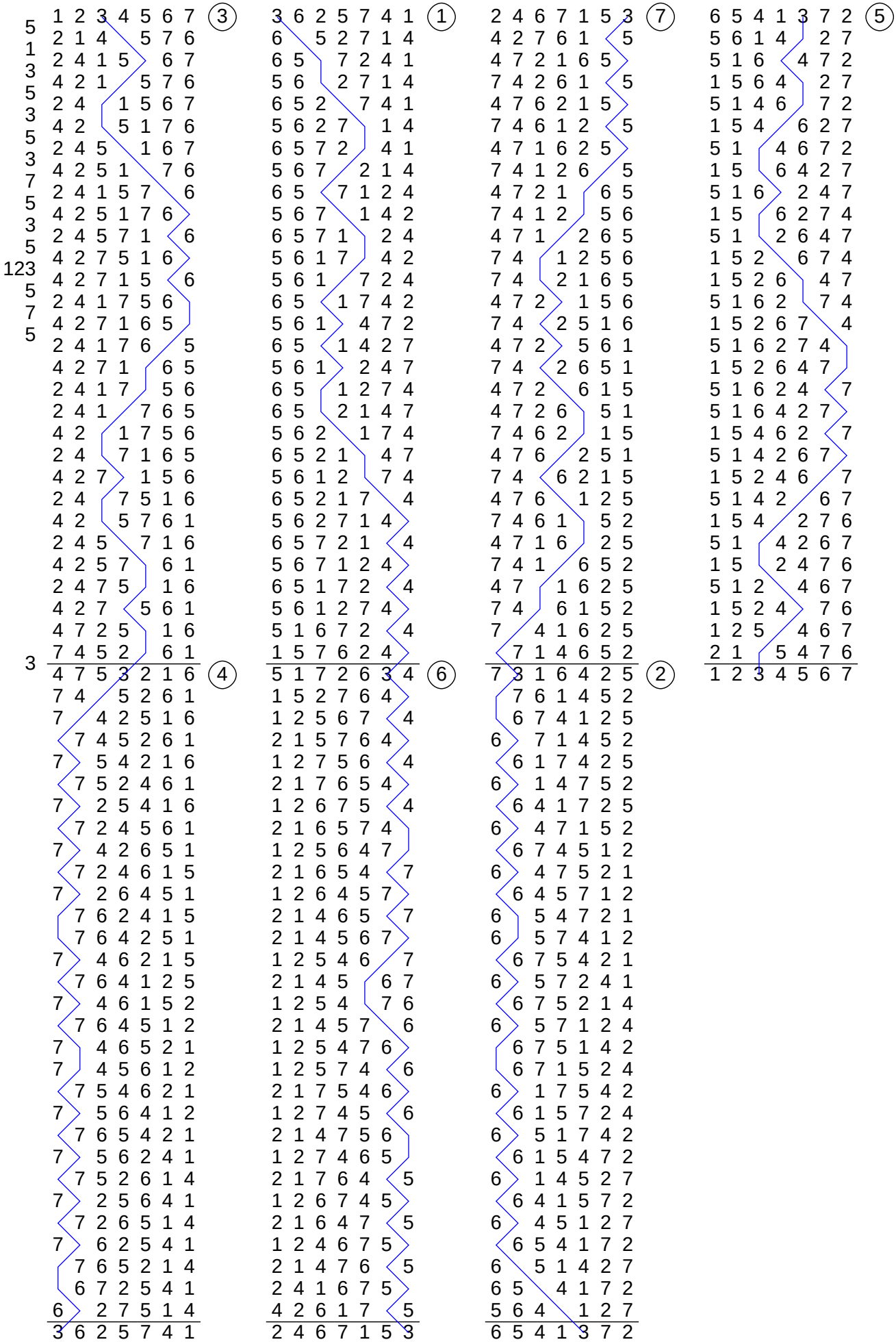Method 227b