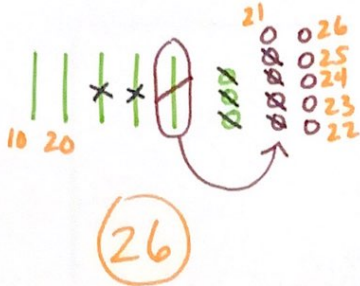
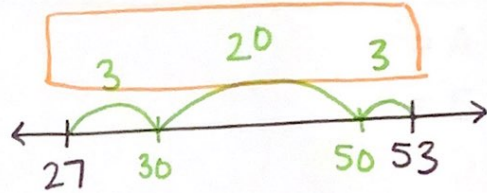


$$\begin{array}{r} 53 \\ - 27 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

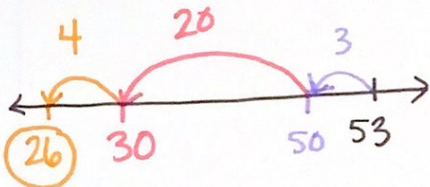


$$27 + \underline{\quad} = 53$$



$$3 + 20 + 3 = 26$$

$$53 - 27 = \underline{\quad}$$



subtract 27 by counting back 27 on a number line

$$3 + 20 + 4 = 27$$

$$\text{So, } 53 - 27 = 26$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \boxed{4} \boxed{13} \\ \cancel{5} \cancel{3} \\ - 27 \\ \hline 26 \end{array}$$

*preferred method