

EXP 2: STATE SPACE SEARCH ALGORITHMS

2. 2 N QUEENS PROBLEM

1. Start
2. Taking number of queens as input from user and create a chessboard. The board is initialized with zeros, representing empty cells.
 NxN matrix with all elements set to 0
3. Checking vertically and horizontally, this function checks if placing a queen at (i, j) would be attacked by any existing queens. It checks rows, columns, and diagonals.
4. Define k ranging from 0 to N
 check if board[i][k]==1 or board[k][j]==1:
 Then return True
5. checking diagonally
 Define k ranging from 0 to N
 Define l ranging from 0 to N
 Check if (k+l==i+j) or (k-l==i-j):
 Check if board[k][l]==1:
 Then return True
 Else return False
6. Placing Queens on board, the recursive function tries to place queens one by one in different cells, ensuring no two queens attack each other. It uses backtracking to find a solution.
 Define l ranging from 0 to N
 Define j ranging from 0 to N
 Check if (not(attack(i,j))) and (board[i][j]!=1):
 board[i][j] = 1
 if N_queens(n-1)==True:
 Then return True
 board[i][j] = 0
 Then return False
7. Display Queens on Board
8. Stop

PROGRAM

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# Taking number of queens as input from user
print ("Enter the number of queens")

N = int(input())

# here we create a chessboard
# NxN matrix with all elements set to 0
board = [[0]*N for _ in range(N)]
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def attack(i, j):
    #checking vertically and horizontally
    for k in range(0,N):
        if board[i][k]==1 or board[k][j]==1:
            return True
    #checking diagonally
    for k in range(0,N):
        for l in range(0,N):
            if (k+l==i+j) or (k-l==i-j):
                if board[k][l]==1:
                    return True
    return False

def N_queens(n):
    if n==0:
        return True
    for i in range(0,N):
        for j in range(0,N):
            if (not(attack(i,j))) and (board[i][j]!=1):
                board[i][j] = 1
                if N_queens(n-1)==True:
                    return True
                board[i][j] = 0
    return False

N_queens(N)

for i in board:
    print (i)

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RESULT

The above program has been successfully executed and output obtained is verified.

OUTPUT

Enter the number of queens

8

[1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0]

[0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0]

[0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1]

[0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0]

[0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0]

[0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0]

[0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0]

[0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0]