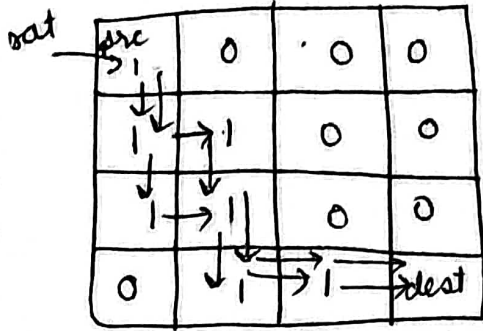


Backtracking → Ques → Rat in a maze →



0 → path is blocked

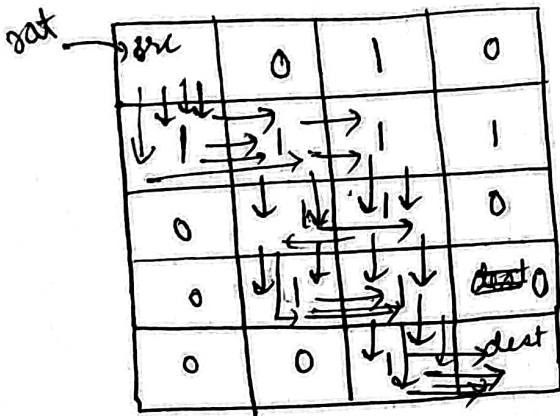
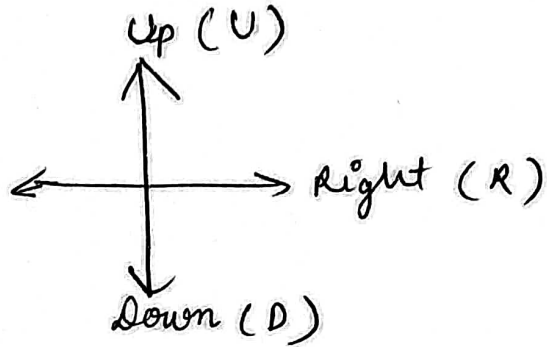
1 → path opened and rat can move in this block.

find all solution to reach solⁿ.
rat can move in four directions.

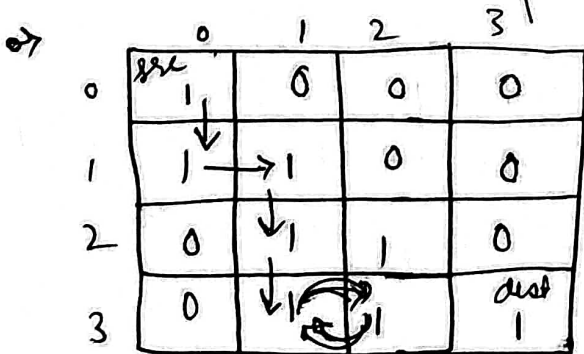
Possible solutions

- DDRDAR
- DRDDAR

Left (L)



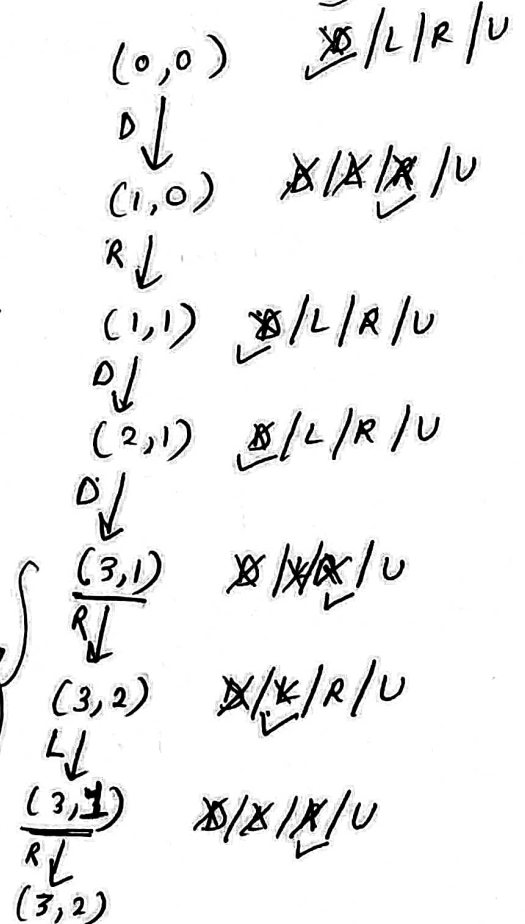
- DRDDRDR
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- DRDLDRDR



ek case → 1 movement in all four directions.

Recursion tree

stuck in infinite loop.



So, to not stuck in this loop, we will use a visited array (2-D array) which stores the status of particular 1x1 cell that is visited or not.

maze

| | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
|---|----------|---|---|-----------|
| 0 | src ① | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| 3 | 0 | 1 | 1 | dest 1 |

visited

| | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 1 | X | X | 0 | 0 |
| 2 | 0 | X | 0 | 0 |
| 3 | 0 | X | X | X |

(0,0) ~~X~~/L/R/U
 \downarrow
 $\Delta / \text{vis}[1][0] = 1$ ← 1 means true

(1,0) ~~X~~/~~X~~/R/U
 \downarrow
 $\Delta / \text{vis}[1][1] = 1$

(1,1) ~~X~~/L/R/U
 \downarrow
 $\Delta / \text{vis}[2][1] = 1$

(2,1) ~~X~~/L/R/U
 \downarrow
 $\Delta / \text{vis}[3][1] = 1$

(3,1) ~~X~~/~~X~~/R/U
 \downarrow
 $\Delta / \text{vis}[3][2] = 1$

(3,2) ~~X~~/~~X~~/~~X~~/U
 \downarrow
 $\Delta / \text{vis}[3][3] = 1$

Destination

↳ Base case

print ans and return.

This single line is backtracking.

We did this here because we have to find all the paths, so we have to explore all the possible paths to reach destination.

If we have to just print only one path then we don't need to do this.

now we will go to that 1x1, which is not previously visited.

- conditions to move to a particular cell →
- ① index should be inside array.
 - ② target cell's should have 1.
 - ③ It should be marked ~~is~~ false in visited array.

From here we didn't move to left because in visited array [3][1] is marked as 1 (means visited). That's how we didn't stuck in infinite loop).

after returning we have to call for other possible movements.
 X ← (Not possible to move up)

visited

| | 0 | 1 | 2 |
|---|-----------------------------|--|--|
| 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| 1 | 0 1 | 0 0 1 | 0 |
| 2 | 0 1 0 | 0 0 1 | 0 0 1 |

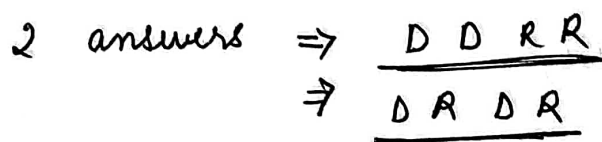


Diagram illustrating the 8-neighborhood of a cell (i, j) in a 2D grid. The central cell is (i, j) . The adjacent cells are labeled as follows:

- Up: $(i-1, j)$
- Down: $(i+1, j)$
- Left: $(i, j-1)$
- Right: $(i, j+1)$

Arrows indicate the direction of movement from the central cell to each adjacent cell.

```
main() {
```

```
int maze[3][3] = { {1,0,0}, {1,1,0}, {1,1,1} };
int rows = 3, cols = 3;
vector<vector<bool>> visited (row, vector<bool> (col, false));
visited[0][0] = true;
```

```
vector < string > path;
```

```
string output = "";
```

```
solveMaze(maze, row, col, 0, 0, visited, path, output);
```

```
cout << "printing the results " << endl;
```

```
for(auto i: path) { cout << i << " "; }
```

```
}
```

```
void solveMaze (int arr[3][3], int row, int row, int col, .  
int i, int j, vector < vector < bool > > & visited, vector < string >  
& path, string output)
```

```
{
```

```
// base case ← when we reached to the destination.
```

```
if (row i == row-1 && col j == col-1) {
```

```
    path.push-back(output); ← answer found, store in  
                             path string.
```

```
    return;
```

```
} // EX case solve → has movement me.
```

```
// Down → i+1, j
```

```
if (isSafe (i+1, j, row, col, arr, visited)) {
```

```
    visited[i+1][j] = true; ← visited mark
```

```
    solveMaze (arr, row, col, i+1, j, visited, path, output + 'D');
```

```
    // backtrack.
```

```
    visited[i+1][j] = false;
```

```
}
```

```
// Left → i, j-1
```

```
if (isSafe (i, j-1, row, col, arr, visited)) {
```

```
    visited[i][j-1] = true;
```

```
    solveMaze (arr, row, col, i, j-1, visited, path, output + 'L');
```

```
    visited[i][j-1] = false; ← Backtrack
```

```
}
```

```
// Right → i, j+1
```

```
if (isSafe (i, j+1, row, col, arr, visited)) {
```

```
    visited[i][j+1] = true;
```

```
    solveMaze (arr, row, col, i, j+1, visited, path, output + 'R');
```

```
    visited[i][j+1] = false;
```

```
}
```

```
// Up → i-1, j
```

```
if (isSafe (i-1, j, row, col, arr, visited)) {
```

```
    visited[i-1][j] = true;
```

```

solveMaze (an, row, col, i-1, j, visited, path, output + 'U');
visited[i-1][j] = false; ← backtrack
}

```

```

bool isSafe (int x, int y, int row, int col, int an maze[3][3],
             vector<int> &path, vector<vector<bool>> &visited) {
    if ((x >= 0 && x < row) && (y >= 0 && y < col)) &&
        (maze[x][y] == 1) && (visited[x][y] == false) {
        ② return true; ③
    }
}

```

Here we are checking 3 conditions to move to the cell with index $[x][y]$

- ① → The cell's ~~index~~ index are in bound.
- ② → The cell has 1.
- ③ → ~~The~~ In visited array cell's index are marked as 0 (not visited).

If these conditions are true we will return true else false;

```

return false;
}

```

Submitted in gfg.

Edge cases →

1. When ~~src~~ ~~is~~ is 0. → no path exist.

```

if (maze[0][0] == 0) { cout << "No path exist";
    return 0;
}

```

2. When destination is 0
 ⇒ no path exist.

We can further reduce down, left, up, right codes to a single for loop. Because the only change is in i, j 's value and adding 'D', 'L', 'R', 'U'.

```

int dx[] = {1, 0, 0, -1};

```

```

int dy[] = {0, -1, 1, 0};

```

```

char direction[] = {'D', 'L', 'R', 'U'};

```

now the loop →

```

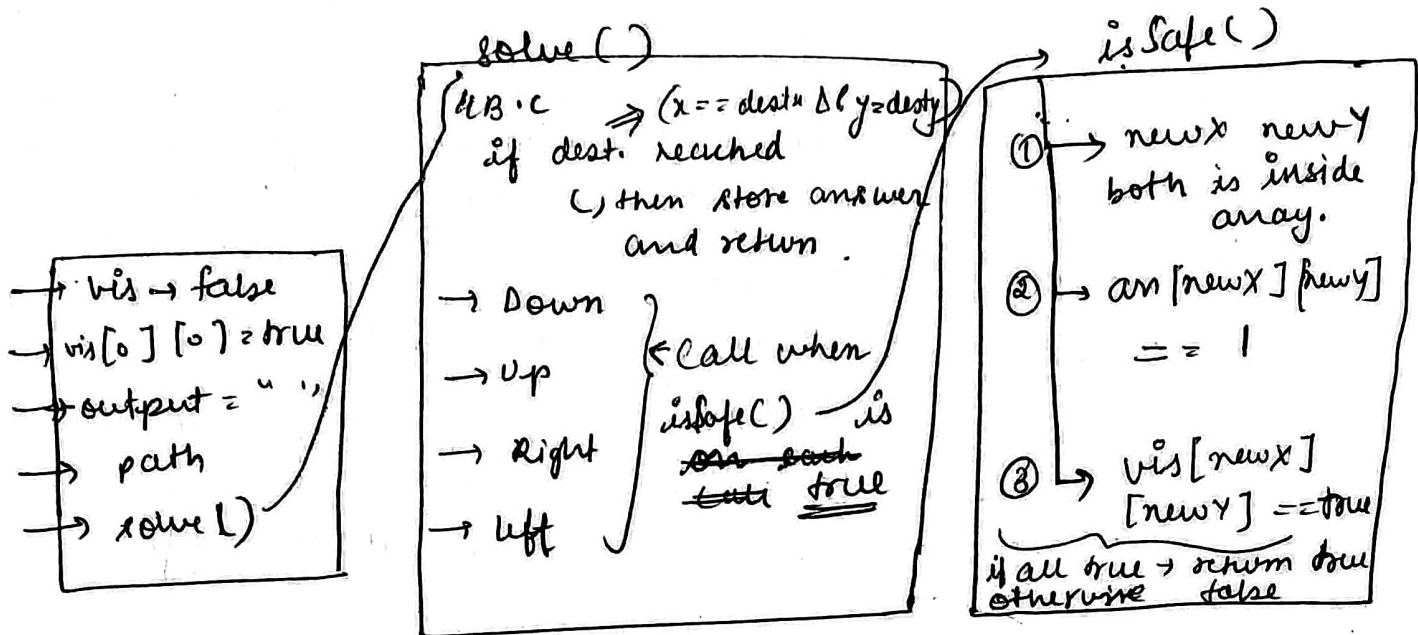
for (int k = 0; k < 4; k++) {
    int newX = i + dx[k];
}

```

```

int newX = j + dy[k];
char dir = direction[k];
if (isSafe()) {
    visited[newX][newY] = true;
    solveMaze (arr, row, col, newX, newY,
               visited, path, output + dir);
    // backtrack
    visited[newX][newY] = false;
}

```



Base Case →

```

if (x == destx & y == desty) { ← destination reached. (Ans mil gaya).
    // store and path.push-back (op);
    // and return return;
}

```

⇒ Visited Array

```

vector<vector<bool>> visited (row, vector<bool> (col, false));
let row = 4, col = 3
visited[0][0] = 1;

```

visited

| | 0 | 1 | 2 |
|---|---|---|---|
| 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

am

vis

2
$$D / \text{vis}[1][0] = 1$$
 ~~$vis[2][0] = 1$ and $vis[1][1] = 1$~~
$$w_{ij}[2][1] = 0 \quad \swarrow \quad w_{ij}[2][1] = 1$$

vis (2, 1, "DDR") ~~XXXX~~

$(2,2)$, "dope" π

4 B.c reached

(1,1), "DDRU", ~~XXXX~~

→ path
(of string type).

edge (m)

↓ 1/2 array rows and cols in array starting pos. of ~~the~~ rat ↓ 20 array to mark cells visited. ↓ to ans here ↓ to create ans.

T.C-

man 4 calls (down, up, right, left) for each cell.