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### CS1010E Practice Exercise: Attacking Queens

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##### Attacking Queens

The N-queens puzzle is the problem of placing  $n$  queens on a  $n$ -by- $n$  so that no two queens attack each other. Two queens attack if they lie on the same row, same column or same diagonal.

Write a program that determines if a given  $n$ -queens puzzle ( $4 \leq n < 10$ ) is attacking. The chessboard is represented as follows:

```
.Q..  
...Q  
Q..  
..Q.
```

where 'Q' represents the queen, and '.' represents empty. You may assume that there are exactly  $n$  queens on the chessboard.

Hint: Read each row as a string.

##### Sample Runs

The following are sample runs of the program. User input is underlined. Ensure that the last line of output is followed by a newline character.

- Sample run #1:

```
Enter n: 4  
.Q..  
...Q  
Q...  
..Q.  
Not attacking
```

- Sample run #2:

```
Enter n: 4  
.Q..  
...Q  
Q...  
.Q..  
Attacking
```

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