

BRANCH AND BOUND

```
def printSolution(board):
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```
    for i in range(N):
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```
        for j in range(N):
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```
            print(board[i][j], end=" ")
```

```
    print()
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```
def isSafe(row, col, slashCode, backslashCode, rowLookup, slashCodeLookup, backslashCodeLookup):
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```
    if (slashCodeLookup[slashCode[row][col]] or
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        backslashCodeLookup[backslashCode[row][col]] or
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```
        rowLookup[row]):
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```
        return False
```

```
    return True
```

```
def solveNQueensUtil(board, col, slashCode, backslashCode, rowLookup, slashCodeLookup, backslashCodeLookup):
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```
    if col >= N:
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```
        return True
```

```
    for i in range(N):
```

```
        if isSafe(i, col, slashCode, backslashCode, rowLookup, slashCodeLookup, backslashCodeLookup):
```

```
            board[i][col] = "Q"
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```
            rowLookup[i] = True
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```
            slashCodeLookup[slashCode[i][col]] = True
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```
            backslashCodeLookup[backslashCode[i][col]] = True
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```
            if solveNQueensUtil(board, col + 1, slashCode, backslashCode, rowLookup, slashCodeLookup, backslashCodeLookup):
```

```
                return True
```

```
            board[i][col] = "-"
```

```
            rowLookup[i] = False
```

```
slashCodeLookup[slashCode[i][col]] = False
```

```
backslashCodeLookup[backslashCode[i][col]] = False
```

```
return False
```

```
def solveNQueens():
```

```
    board = [["-" for _ in range(N)] for _ in range(N)]
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```
    slashCode = [["-" for _ in range(N)] for _ in range(N)]
```

```
    backslashCode = [["-" for _ in range(N)] for _ in range(N)]
```

```
    rowLookup = [False] * N
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    x = 2 * N - 1
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```
    slashCodeLookup = [False] * x
```

```
    backslashCodeLookup = [False] * x
```

```
    for rr in range(N):
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```
        for cc in range(N):
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```
            slashCode[rr][cc] = rr + cc
```

```
            backslashCode[rr][cc] = rr - cc + N - 1
```

```
    if not solveNQueensUtil(board, 0, slashCode, backslashCode, rowLookup, slashCodeLookup,  
backslashCodeLookup):
```

```
        print("Solution does not-" exist")
```

```
        return False
```

```
    printSolution(board)
```

```
    return True
```

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# Prompt the user to enter the board size
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N = int(input("Enter the board size: "))
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```
solveNQueens()
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