

2x2 RUBIK'S CUBE SOLVER



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TO BE DISCUSSED-

- Project structure
- Data structure used
- Incorporation of arrays into the project
- Implementation of queues in the project
- Overview of the solution generation methodology
- Algorithms for the various stages
- Example of implementation
- Overview of the code implementation

PROJECT STRUCTURE-

- The project was implemented as a web-application
- Hyper text markup language(HTML) was used to provide a skeleton to the website
- Styling was done through the use of cascading style sheets(CSS)
- Pure/Vanilla JavaScript was used for writing the logic of the project
- Event listeners were used to handle the input and output of the program

A GLIMPSE OF THE WEB-APPLICATION-

2x2 Rubik's Cube Solver

Instructions

In the solution- R, L, U, D, F, B stand for right, left, top, bottom, front and back faces respectively

MRFF stands for 'Move right face to the front'

MLFF stands for 'Move left face to the front'

MRFT stands for 'Move right face to the top'

For any move X, bring that face to the front and rotate it once in clockwise direction

For any move X', bring that face to the front and rotate it once in anticlockwise direction

Fill in the appropriate colours and hit solve!



A GLIMPSE OF THE WEB-APPLICATION-

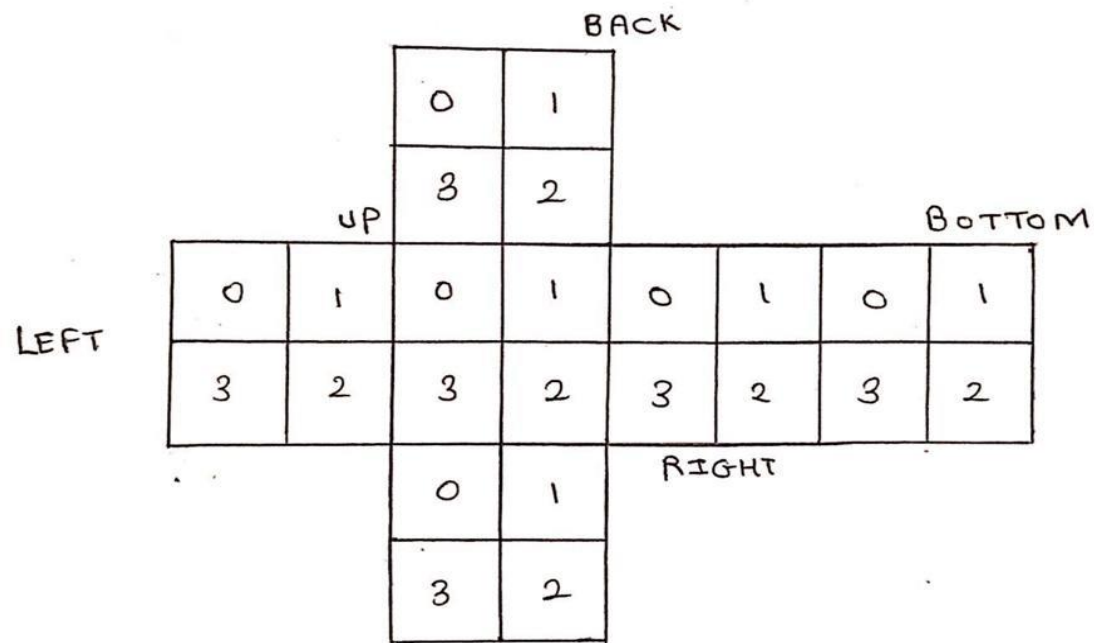
DATA STRUCTURE USED-

- Queue data structure was used for the implementation of the project
- It was used to handle the solution moves of the given scrambled cube input
- As a side note, arrays were used to handle the information of the cube

INCORPORATION OF ARRAYS INTO THE PROJECT-

- Arrays were used to store the colour of each part of each piece of the cube
- Using arrays is beneficial as the data set of the cube is fixed
- In total, 6 arrays- one for each face, were used
- These arrays were updated through out the program so as to reflect the final state of the cube after determination of a solution
- They helped in the confirmation of proper solution

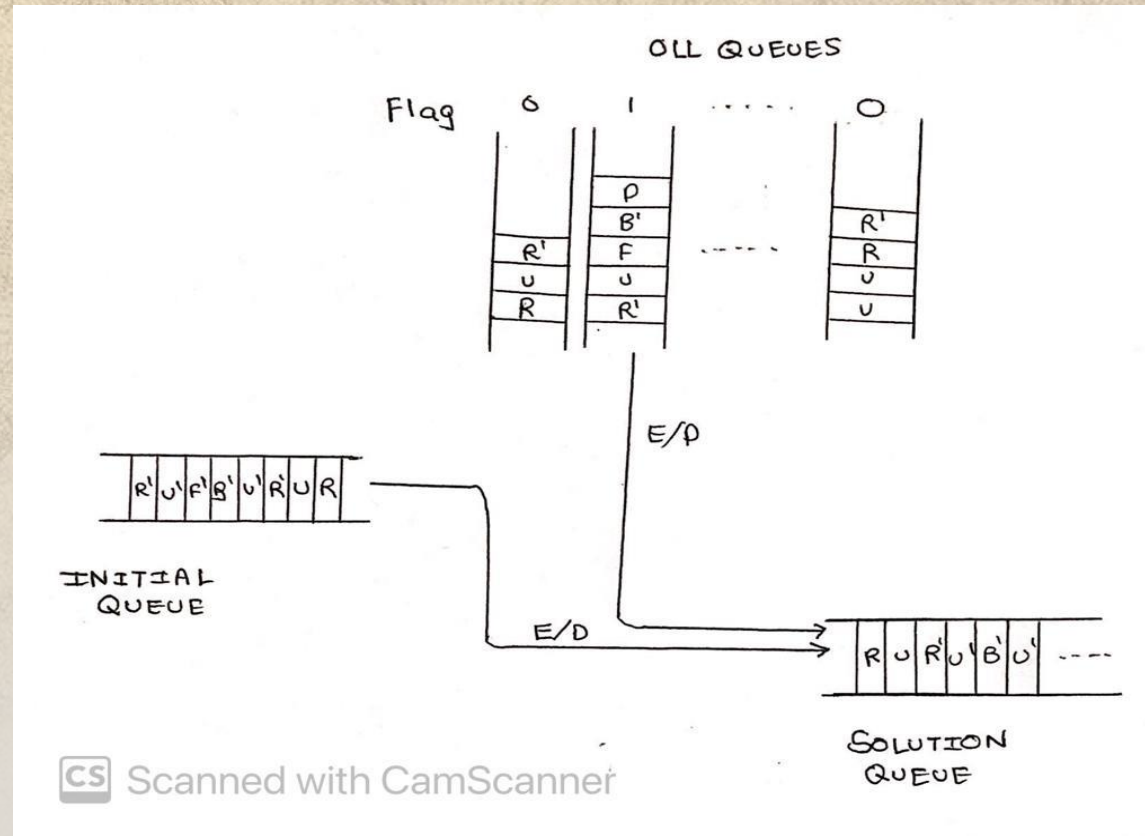
CONCEPTUAL VIEW OF THE ARRAYS USED-



IMPLEMENTATION OF QUEUES IN THE PROJECT-

- Queues were basically used to keep a sequential track of the solution of a particular scrambled cube configuration
- They were mainly used in the second and third stage of solution generation
- First in first out property of queue helps to maintain an order in the set of moves required to solve a particular configuration

CONCEPTUAL VIEW OF THE QUEUES USED-



OVERVIEW OF THE SOLUTION GENERATION METHODOLOGY-

- Primarily, move functions were written so as to imitate the changes in the cube configuration when a particular move is performed on the cube
- Solution was generated in three stages
- Stage-1 dealt with solving the white surface of the cube
- Stage-2 dealt with solving the yellow surface of the cube, also known as orientation of the last layer(OLL)
- Stage-3 dealt with arranging the pieces of both the layers, also known as permutation of both the layers(PBL), so as to reach the solved configuration

ALGORITHM FOR STAGE-I-

- Rotate the base layer till a non-white surface appears at the bottom of the right-front piece of the cube
- Search for a piece which contains white surface and bring it directly above the location mentioned in the previous step
- Insert it in the provided location
- Repeat till the base layer is solved

ALGORITHM FOR STAGE-2-

- Check if the yellow surface is solved
- If solved, move to the next stage
- Else, check for the presence of one of the seven possible patterns of yellow surfaces on the cube and perform the required moves respectively

ALGORITHM FOR STAGE-3-

- Check if the cube is already solved
- If solved, end the solution generation process
- Else, check for the presence of one of the six possible configurations for the last stage and execute the moves required
- Repeat till the cube is solved

EXAMPLE OF IMPLEMENTATION(SCRAMBLE)-

EXAMPLE OF IMPLEMENTATION(SOLUTION)-

Step-by-step Solution

Step-1: Solving the base layer

D U R U² R' U' R U R' D U' R U² R' U' R U R'

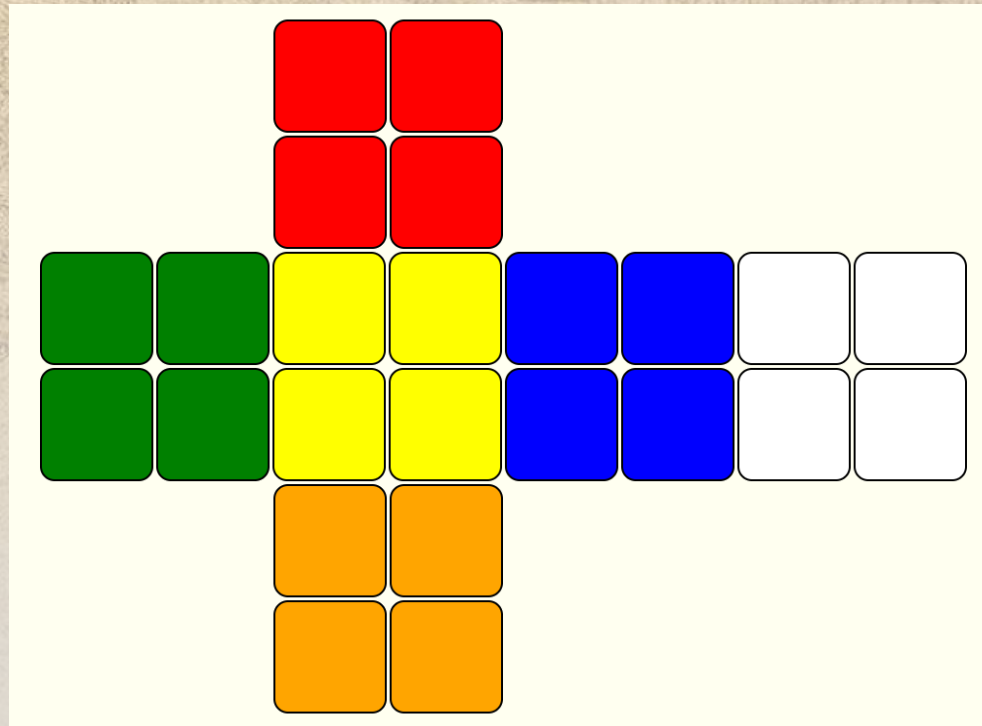
Step-2: Orienting the top layer

MLFF F R' F' R U R U' R'

Step-3: Permuting both the layers

MRFF D R U' R F² R' U R'

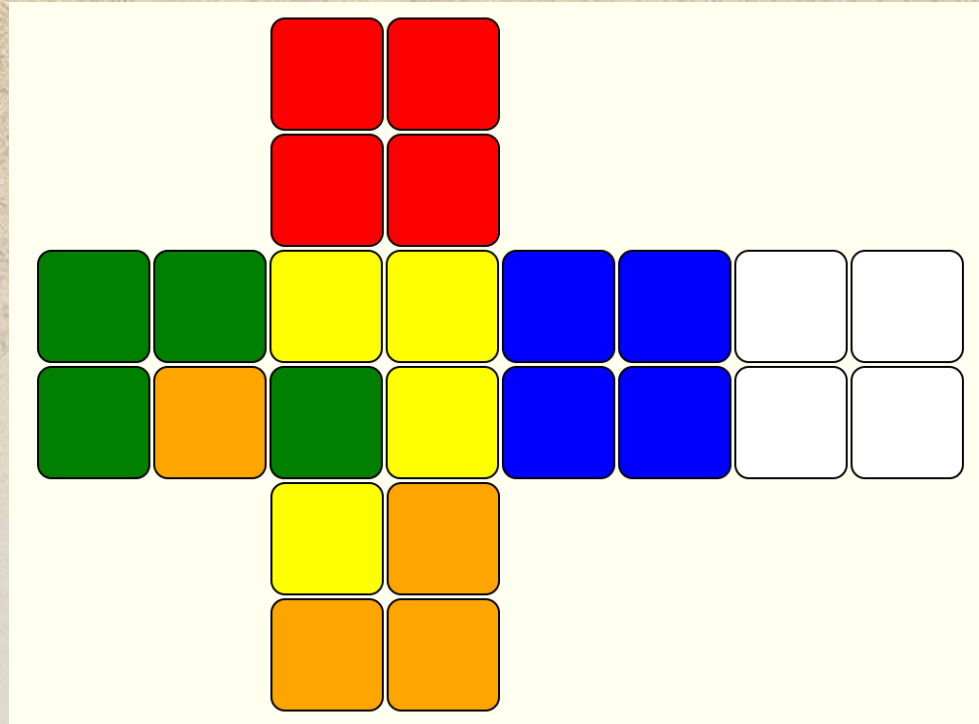
EXAMPLE OF IMPLEMENTATION(SCRAMBLE)-



EXAMPLE OF IMPLEMENTATION(SOLUTION)

Already Solved!!

EXAMPLE OF IMPLEMENTATION(SCRAMBLE)-



EXAMPLE OF IMPLEMENTATION(SOLUTION)

Wrong Inputs!!

OVERVIEW OF THE CODE IMPLEMENTATION-

- Important sections of the HTML file are displayed first
- A glimpse of CSS file is displayed further to explain the designing of the web-application
- Functions that were written for the logic implementation are included as well, written in JavaScript

HTML CODE FOR CREATING THE STRUCTURE OF INSTRUCTION BOX AND 2D MAP OF THE CUBE-

```
<!--instructions section -->
<div id="instructions">
  <div id="instructHead" class="points">
    Instructions
  </div>
  <div id="firstPoint" class="points">
    In the solution- R, L, U, D, F, B stand for right, left, top, bottom, front and back faces respectively
  </div>
  <div class="points">
    MRFF stands for 'Move right face to the front'
  </div>
  <div class="points">
    MLFF stands for 'Move left face to the front'
  </div>
  <div class="points">
    MRFT stands for 'Move right face to the top'
  </div>
  <div class="points">
    For any move X, bring that face to the front and rotate it once in clockwise direction
  </div>
  <div id="lastPoint" class="points">
    For any move X', bring that face to the front and rotate it once in anticlockwise direction
  </div>
</div>
```

```
<!-- 2D map of the rubik's cube -->
<div id="map">
  <div id="layerone">
    <div id="back" class="surfaces">
      <div class="line">
        <div class="boxes"></div>
        <div class="boxes"></div>
      </div>
      <div class="line">
        <div class="boxes"></div>
        <div class="boxes"></div>
      </div>
    </div>
  </div>
  <div id="layertwo">
    <div id="left" class="surfaces">
      <div class="line">
        <div class="boxes"></div>
        <div class="boxes"></div>
      </div>
      <div class="line">
        <div class="boxes"></div>
        <div class="boxes"></div>
      </div>
    </div>
    <div id="top" class="surfaces">
      <div class="line">
        <div class="boxes"></div>
        <div class="boxes"></div>
      </div>
      <div class="line">
        <div class="boxes"></div>
        <div class="boxes"></div>
      </div>
    </div>
  </div>
</div>
```


HTML CODE FOR CREATING THE STRUCTURE OF COLOUR BUTTONS AND SOLUTION BOX-

```
<!-- colour buttons -->
<div id="heading">
    Fill in the appropriate colours and hit solve!
</div>
<div id="colours">
    <div id="yellow" class="colourbtn"></div>
    <div id="green" class="colourbtn"></div>
    <div id="white" class="colourbtn"></div>
    <div id="blue" class="colourbtn"></div>
    <div id="orange" class="colourbtn"></div>
    <div id="red" class="colourbtn"></div>
</div>
```

```
<!-- for displaying the solution -->
<div id="solution">
    <div class="soln">Step-by-step Solution</div>
    <div class="soln marg">Step-1: Solving the base layer</div>
    <div id="step1" class="soln"></div>
    <div class="soln marg">Step-2: Orienting the top layer</div>
    <div id="step2" class="soln"></div>
    <div class="soln marg">Step-3: Permuting both the layers</div>
    <div id="step3" class="soln"></div>
</div>
<div id="solved" class="soln">
    Already Solved!!
</div>
```


CSS CODE FOR DESIGNING THE 2D MAP OF THE CUBE AND SOLUTION BOX-

```
/* 2D map of the rubik's cube */
.bboxes{
  width: 90px;
  height: 90px;
  border: 2px solid black;
  margin: 1px;
  border-radius: 12px;
}

.bboxes:hover{
  border: 2px dashed black;
  cursor: pointer;
}

.line{
  display: flex;
}

#map{
  display: flex;
  flex-direction: column;
  border: 2px solid black;
  border-radius: 55px;
  padding-top: 25px;
  padding-bottom: 25px;
  margin-top: 25px;
  margin-bottom: 25px;
  margin-left: 35px;
  margin-right: 35px;
  background-color: ivory;
}

#layertwo{
  display: flex;
  margin-left: 340px;
}
```

```
/* solution structure */
#solution{
  display: none;
  border: 2px solid black;
  margin-bottom: 23px;
  margin-left: 35px;
  margin-right: 35px;
  background-color: ivory;
  border-radius: 55px;
  padding-top: 25px;
  padding-bottom: 25px;
}

.soln{
  font-size: 23px;
  font-weight: bold;
  display: flex;
  justify-content: center;
  text-align: center;
}

.marg{
  margin-top: 20px;
}

#solved{
  display: none;
  margin-bottom: 22px;
}

/* footer */
#footer{
  height: 38px;
  background-image: url('banner.jpg');
```


CREATING A JAVASCRIPT CLASS FOR QUEUE DATA STRUCTURE-

```
//using queue data structure for maintaining and modifying the solution
class queue{
  constructor(solution){
    this.solution=solution;
  }
  isEmpty(){
    return this.solution.length==0;
  }
  enqueue(move){
    this.solution.push(move);
  }
  dequeue(){
    return this.solution.shift();
  }
  tempDisplay(){
    for(var i=0; i<this.solution.length; i++){
      console.log(this.solution[i]);
    }
  }
}
```


MOVE FUNCTIONS OF THE CUBE-

```
function R(value=true){
    temp=back[1],temp2=back[2];
    back[1]=up[1],back[2]=up[2];
    up[1]=front[1],up[2]=front[2];
    front[1]=bottom[3],front[2]=bottom[0];
    bottom[3]=temp,bottom[0]=temp2;
    rotateFaceClockwise(right);
    if(value){
        solution.enqueue('R');
    }
}
```

```
function L(value=true){
    temp=front[3],temp2=front[0];
    front[3]=up[3],front[0]=up[0];
    up[3]=back[3],up[0]=back[0];
    back[3]=bottom[1],back[0]=bottom[2];
    bottom[1]=temp,bottom[2]=temp2;
    rotateFaceClockwise(left);
    if(value){
        solution.enqueue('L');
    }
}
```

```
function U(value=true){
    temp=back[2],temp2=back[3];
    back[2]=left[1],back[3]=left[2];
    left[1]=front[0],left[2]=front[1];
    front[0]=right[3],front[1]=right[0];
    right[3]=temp,right[0]=temp2;
    rotateFaceClockwise(up);
    if(value){
        solution.enqueue('U');
    }
}
```

```
function D(value=true){
    temp=back[0],temp2=back[1];
    back[0]=right[1],back[1]=right[2];
    right[1]=front[2],right[2]=front[3];
    front[2]=left[3],front[3]=left[0];
    left[3]=temp,left[0]=temp2;
    rotateFaceClockwise(bottom);
    if(value){
        solution.enqueue('D');
    }
}
```

```
function F(value=true){
    temp=bottom[2],temp2=bottom[3];
    bottom[2]=right[2],bottom[3]=right[3];
    right[2]=up[2],right[3]=up[3];
    up[2]=left[2],up[3]=left[3];
    left[2]=temp,left[3]=temp2;
    rotateFaceClockwise(front);
    if(value){
        solution.enqueue('F');
    }
}
```

```
function B(value=true){
    temp=left[0],temp2=left[1];
    left[0]=up[0],left[1]=up[1];
    up[0]=right[0],up[1]=right[1];
    right[0]=bottom[0],right[1]=bottom[1];
    bottom[0]=temp,bottom[1]=temp2;
    rotateFaceClockwise(back);
    if(value){
        solution.enqueue('B');
    }
}
```


MOVE FUNCTIONS OF THE CUBE-

```
function Rprime(value=true){  
  R(false);  
  R(false);  
  R(false);  
  if(value){  
    solution.enqueue("R'");  
  }  
}
```

```
function Lprime(value=true){  
  L(false);  
  L(false);  
  L(false);  
  if(value){  
    solution.enqueue("L'");  
  }  
}
```

```
function Uprime(value=true){  
  U(false);  
  U(false);  
  U(false);  
  if(value){  
    solution.enqueue("U'");  
  }  
}
```

```
function Dprime(value=true){  
  D(false);  
  D(false);  
  D(false);  
  if(value){  
    solution.enqueue("D'");  
  }  
}
```

```
function Fprime(value=true){  
  F(false);  
  F(false);  
  F(false);  
  if(value){  
    solution.enqueue("F'");  
  }  
}
```

```
function Bprime(value=true){  
  B(false);  
  B(false);  
  B(false);  
  if(value){  
    solution.enqueue("B'");  
  }  
}
```


FUNCTIONS FOR SEARCHING AND ORIENTING A PIECE FOR STAGE ONE SOLUTION-

```
function searchPiece(){
    if(up[2]=='W' || front[1]=='W' || right[3]=='W'){
        return;
    }
    else if(up[1]=='W' || back[2]=='W' || right[0]=='W'){
        U();
    }
    else if(up[3]=='W' || left[2]=='W' || front[0]=='W'){
        Uprime();
    }
    else if(up[0]=='W' || back[3]=='W' || left[1]=='W'){
        U();
        U();
    }
    else if(right[1]=='W' || back[1]=='W'){
        Rprime();
        U();
        Bprime();
    }
    else if(front[3]=='W' || left[3]=='W'){
        Lprime();
        Uprime();
        L();
    }
    else if(front[2]=='W' || right[2]=='W'){
        R();
        U();
        Rprime();
        Uprime();
    }
    else if(left[0]=='W' || back[0]=='W'){
        L();
        U();
        U();
        Lprime();
    }
}
```

```
function orientPiece(){
    if(up[2]=='W'){
        R();
        U();
        U();
        Rprime();
        Uprime();
        R();
        U();
        Rprime();
    }
    else if(right[3]=='W'){
        R();
        U();
        Rprime();
    }
    else if(front[1]=='W'){
        Fprime();
        Uprime();
        F();
    }
    rotateBottom();
}
```


FUNCTION FOR STAGE ONE SOLUTION-

```
function solveStage1(){
    loopB=0;
    rotateBottom();
    while(bottom[0]!='W' || bottom[1]!='W' || bottom[2]!='W' || bottom[3]!='W'){
        searchPiece();
        orientPiece();
        loopB++;
        if(loopB==15){
            break;
        }
    }
}
```


FUNCTIONS FOR PATTERN RECOGNITION AND STAGE TWO SOLUTION-

```
function searchPattern(arr1,ind1,arr2,ind2,arr3,ind3,arr4,ind4){
    for(var i=0; i<4; i++){
        if(arr1[ind1]=='Y'&&arr2[ind2]=='Y'&&arr3[ind3]=='Y'&&arr4[ind4]=='Y'){
            return true;
        }
        MRFF();
    }
    return false;
}

function solveStage2(){
    if(searchPattern(up,1,front,0,right,3,left,1)){
        OLL1();
    }
    else if(searchPattern(up,3,front,1,back,3,right,0)){
        OLL2();
    }
    else if(searchPattern(up,1,up,2,back,3,front,0)){
        OLL3();
    }
    else if(searchPattern(up,1,up,2,left,2,left,1)){
        OLL4();
    }
    else if(searchPattern(up,0,up,2,front,0,right,0)){
        OLL5();
    }
    else if(searchPattern(front,0,front,1,back,2,back,3)){
        OLL6();
    }
    else if(searchPattern(left,1,left,2,back,2,front,1)){
        OLL7();
    }
}
```


FUNCTION FOR ORIENTING THE CUBE FOR FINAL PATTERN RECOGNITION-

```
function orientCube(){
    if(back[0]==back[1]&&left[0]==left[3]&&front[3]==front[2]&&right[1]==right[2]){
        isBotBar=true;
    }
    if(back[3]==back[2]&&left[1]==left[2]&&front[0]==front[1]&&right[3]==right[0]){
        isTopBar=true;
    }
    if(isTopBar&&isBotBar){
        return;
    }
    if(isTopBar){
        MRFT();
        MRFT();
    }
    for(var i=0; i<4; i++){
        if(front[0]==front[1]){
            isTopAdj=true;
            break;
        }
        U();
    }
    if(!isTopBar&&!isBotBar){
        for(var i=0; i<4; i++){
            if(front[2]==front[3]){
                isBotAdj=true;
                break;
            }
            Dprime();
        }
    }
    if(isTopAdj&&isBotAdj){
        MRFF();
        MRFF();
    }
}
```


FUNCTION FOR STAGE THREE SOLUTION

```
function solveStage3(){
  loopB=0;
  orientCube();
  while(left[0]!=left[1]||left[1]!=left[2]||left[2]!=left[3]||left[3]!=left[0]||back[0]!=back[1]||back[1]!=back[2]||back[2]!=back[3]||back[3]!=back[0]){
    if(isTopBar&&isBotBar){
      u();
    }
    else if((isTopBar||isBotBar)&&isTopAdj){
      PBL1();
    }
    else if((isTopBar||isBotBar)&&isTopAdj){
      PBL2();
    }
    else if(!isTopAdj&&!isBotAdj){
      PBL3();
    }
    else if(isTopAdj&&isBotAdj){
      PBL4();
    }
    else if(isTopAdj&&!isBotAdj){
      PBL5();
    }
    else if(!isTopAdj&&isBotAdj){
      PBL6();
    }
    isTopBar=true;
    isBotBar=true;
    loopB++;
    if(loopB==10){
      break;
    }
  }
}
```


The background of the slide features faint, sepia-toned sketches of two airships. On the left is a hot air balloon with a large, ornate, patterned envelope and a small basket at the bottom. On the right is a rigid blimp or airship with a long, oval-shaped hull, a series of vertical struts, and a horizontal gondola with a propeller at the rear. The text 'THANK YOU' is centered in a bold, black, sans-serif font, with a thin red horizontal line extending from the left edge of the text across the middle of the slide.

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