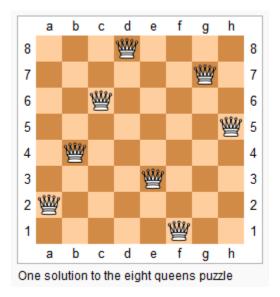
## **GA TASK 1: N-QUEENS**

In chess, a queen can move as far as she pleases, horizontally, vertically, or diagonally. A chess board has 8 rows and 8 columns. The standard 8 by 8 Queen's problem asks how to place 8 queens on an ordinary chess board so that none of them can hit any other in one move.



An obvious modification of the 8 by 8 problem is to consider an N by N "chess board" and ask if one can place N queens on such a board.

Given an integer n, return <u>a solution</u> to the n-queens puzzle.

Each solution contains a distinct board configuration of the *n*-queens' placement,

where 'Q' and '.' both indicate a queen and an empty space respectively.

For example,

There exist two distinct solutions to the 4-queens puzzle:

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Solution 1
.Q..
...Q
Q...
...Q.
Solution 2
...Q.
Q...
...Q.
Q...
Q...
Q...
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## **GA TASK 2: Token Game**

The game board is an  $h \times w$  rectangle, where there are h rows of squares from front (first row) to back (last row) and w columns of squares from left to right. Each square has a token whose value can be from 1 to 100. You want to collect as much total value of tokens as possible, subject to the following game rules:

- You start by choosing any token in the first row.
- Then, you move to a square in the next row, collect the stone on that square, and so on until you reach the last row.
- When you move from one square to a square in the next row, you can only move to the square just below it or diagonally to the left or right.

Given the values of h and w, and the value of token on each square, write a program to compute the maximum possible total token value that you can grab in one single trip from the first row to the last row.

**INPUT:** The first line has two integers; the number of rows, h, and the number of columns, w,  $(1 \le h, w \le 9)$ .

Next, there are h lines of inputs. The  $i^{th}$  line specifies the token values of the  $i^{th}$  row from the front. Each line has w integers, where each integer m ( $0 \le m \le 100$ ) is the token value on that square. The integers are separated by a space.

**OUTPUT:** The maximum possible total value of tokens that you can grab.

## **EXAMPLE**

INPUT	OUTPUT
65	29
62531	
3 1 8 4 2	
21311	
12216	
22143	
21454	

Elaboration: 5+8+1+6+4+5 = 29