Notebook

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#### https://leetcode.com/problems/sudoku-solver/description/
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#### https://leetcode.com/problems/unique-paths-iii/description/
#### 1 represents the starting square. 2 represents the ending square. 0␣
 ↪represents the empty square. -1 represents an obstacle.

from typing import List

class Solution:
    def uniquePathsIII(self, grid: List[List[int]]) -> int:
        m, n = len(grid), len(grid[0])

        # iterate through the grid to get relevant info
        start = None  # to store starting point
        count = 0  # to count number of squares to walk over
        for i in range(m):
            for j in range(n):
                count += grid[i][j] == 0
                if not start and grid[i][j] == 1:
                    start = (i, j)

        def backtrack(i: int, j: int) -> int:
            nonlocal count
            result = 0
            for x, y in ((i-1, j), (i+1, j), (i, j-1), (i, j+1)):
                # border check
                if 0 <= x < m and 0 <= y < n:
                    if grid[x][y] == 0:
                        # traverse down this path
                        grid[x][y] = -1
                        count -= 1
                        result += backtrack(x, y)
                        # backtrack and reset
                        grid[x][y] = 0
                        count += 1
                    elif grid[x][y] == 2:
                        # check if all squares have been walked over
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                        result += count == 0
            return result

        # perform DFS + backtracking to find valid paths
        return backtrack(start[0], start[1])
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# https://leetcode.com/problems/expression-add-operators/description/
# Input: num = "123", target = 6   Output: ["1*2*3","1+2+3"]

class Solution:
    def addOperators(self, num: str, target: int) -> List[str]:
        ans = []
        self.backtrack(num, target, 0, 0, "", 0, ans)
        return ans

    def backtrack(self, num: str, target: int, current: int, index: int, temp:␣
 ↪str, prev: int, ans: List[str]):
        if index == len(num) and current == target:
            ans.append(temp)
            return

        if index == len(num):
            return

        cnum = 0
        snum = ""

        for i in range(index, len(num)):
            if i > index and num[index] == '0':
                break

            cnum = cnum * 10 + int(num[i])
            snum += num[i]

            if index == 0:
                self.backtrack(num, target, cnum, i + 1, snum, cnum, ans)
            else:
                self.backtrack(num, target, current + cnum, i + 1, temp + '+' +␣
 ↪snum, cnum, ans)
                self.backtrack(num, target, current - cnum, i + 1, temp + '-' +␣
 ↪snum, -cnum, ans)
                self.backtrack(num, target, current - prev + prev * cnum, i +␣
 ↪1, temp + '*' + snum, prev * cnum, ans)
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