

R-4.5

Draw the recursion trace for the execution of function `PuzzleSolve(3, S, U)` (Code Fragment 4.14), where `S` is empty and `U = { a, b, c, d }`

`U = {a, b, c, d}; S = " "; k = 3`

for `e` in array: first iteration of {a, b, c, d}

- `e = a`
- `k = 3`
- add `a` to `S`
- `S = a`
- remove `a` from `U`
- `U = {b, c, d}`
- `k != 1`
- recursive call(`3 - 1, a, {b, c, d}`)
 - for `e` in array: first iteration of {b, c, d}
 - `e = b`
 - `k = 2`
 - add `b` to `S`
 - `S = ab`
 - remove `b` from `U`
 - `U = {c, d}`
 - `k != 1`
 - recursive call(`2 - 1, ab, {c, d}`)
 - for `e` in array: first iteration of {c, d}
 - `e = c`
 - `k = 1`
 - add `c` to `S`
 - `S = abc`
 - remove `c` from `U`
 - `U = {d}`
 - `k == 1`
 - **solve puzzle**
 - return solution if solved, otherwise continue
 - remove `c` from `S`
 - `S = ab`
 - add `c` to `U`
 - `U = {d, c}`
 - complete for loop
 - for `e` in array: second and last iteration of {c, d}
 - `e = d`
 - `k = 1`
 - add `d` to `S`

- $S = abd$
 - remove d from U
 - $U = \{c\}$
 - solve puzzle
 - return if solved, otherwise continue
 - remove d from S
 - $S = ab$
 - add d to U
 - $U = \{c, d\}$
 - complete for loop
 - break because iteration of $\{c, d\}$ complete
- for e in array: second iteration of $\{b, c, d\}$
 - $e = c$
 - $k = 2$
 - add c to S
 - $S = ac$
 - remove c from U
 - $U = \{b, d\}$
 - $k \neq 1$
 - recursive call $(2 - 1, ac, \{b, d\})$
 - for e in array: first iteration of $\{b, d\}$
 - $e = b$
 - $k = 1$
 - add b to S
 - $S = acb$
 - remove b from U
 - $U = \{d\}$
 - $k == 1$
 - **solve puzzle**
 - return solution if solved, otherwise continue
 - remove b from S
 - $S = ac$
 - add b to U
 - $U = \{d, b\}$
 - complete for loop
 - for e in array second and last iteration of $\{b, d\}$
 - $e = d$
 - follow same pattern
 - complete for loop
 - break because iteration of $\{b, d\}$ complete
- for e in array: third and last iteration of $\{b, c, d\}$
 - $e = d$
 - $k = 2$
 - follow same pattern
 - recursive call $(2 - 1, ad, \{b, c\})$
 - same pattern
 - complete for loop

- same pattern
 - complete for loop
 - break because iteration of {b, c} complete
- break because iteration of {b, c, d} complete

for e in array: second iteration of {a, b, c, d}

- continue pattern

... continue pattern until parent for loop complete.