

Backtracking

- Backtracking
 - Yes/No
 - Yes/No (what is the path)
- Dynamic Programming / DP
 - Best solution
 - Min/Max

Function structure:

- Boundary
- Invalid State
- Valid/Final State
- Recursion: all possible paths from here

In []: Neighbors

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In [ ]: - is there a solution possible
        Maze: matrix [1, 0]

[R, D]
[
  1  1  1  1
  0  1  0  1
  0  1  1  1
]

[U,D,L,R]
[
  1  1  1  1
  0  0  1  1
  0  1  1  1
  1  1  0  0
  1  1  1  1
]

[U,D,L,R, UL, UR, DL, DR]
[
  1  1  1  1
  0  0  1  1
  0  0  1  1
  1  1  0  0
  1  1  1  1
]

- Find path with max reward/min penalty
DP
[
  1  2  1  1
  0  5  0  6
  0  1  1  1
]

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V1: Rat in a Maze D=(R,D), Return a Boolean

Given a maze of size $N \times N$ represented in the form of 0s and 1s.
Where 1 denotes a cell that can be visited and 0 denotes a blocker/s
tone/obstacle

Given a starting point $(0,0)$ and an ending point $(N-1, N-1)$, return
whether there exists a path or not.

At a time the Rat can move only one step in Right or Down directions
only.

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      0  1  2  3
    [
0      1  1  1  1
1      0  1  0  1
2      0  1  1  1
3      0  1  1  1
    ]

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In [22]: maze1 = [
    [ 1,  1,  1,  1 ],
    [ 0,  1,  0,  1 ],
    [ 0,  1,  1,  1 ],
    [ 0,  1,  1,  1 ],
    ]

    maze2 = [
        [1,  1,  1,  1,  1],
        [0,  0,  1,  1,  1],
        [0,  0,  1,  1,  0],
        [1,  1,  0,  0,  0],
        [1,  1,  1,  1,  1],
    ]

    maze3 = [
        [ 1,  1,  1,  1 ],
        [ 1,  1,  1,  1 ],
        [ 1,  1,  1,  1 ],
        [ 1,  1,  1,  0 ],
    ]

    maze4 = [
        [1,  1,  1,  1,  1],
        [0,  0,  1,  1,  1],
        [0,  1,  1,  1,  0],
        [1,  1,  0,  0,  0],
        [1,  1,  1,  1,  1],
    ]

    def find_path(maze):
        return find_path_util(maze, 0, 0)

    def find_path_util(maze, x, y):

        side = len(maze)
        if x < 0 or y < 0 or x >= side or y == side:
            return False

        if maze[x][y] == 0:
            return False

        if x == side-1 and y == side-1:
            return True

        return find_path_util(maze,x,y+1) or find_path_util(maze, x+1, y)

    print(find_path(maze1))
    print(find_path(maze2))
    print(find_path(maze3))
    print(find_path(maze4))
    #      0   1   2   3
    # 0 [ 1,  1,  1,  1 ],
    # 1 [ 0,  1,  0,  1 ],
    # 2 [ 0,  1,  1,  1 ],
    # 3 [ 0,  1,  1,  1 ],

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#                                     f(0,0)
#                                     f(0,1)
#                                     F(0,2)
#                                     f(0,3)
#                                     f(0,4)
#

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True
False
False
False

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V2: Rat in a Maze D=(R,D), Return a list of coordinates which denotes the path in maze

Given a maze of size $N \times N$ represented in the form of 0s and 1s.
Where 1 denotes a cell that can be visited and 0 denotes a blocker/s
tone/obstacle

Given a starting point (0,0) and an ending point (N-1, N-1), return
whether there exists a path or not.

At a time the Rat can move only one step in Right or Down directions
only.

```

    0  1  2  3
[
0    1  1  1  1
1    0  1  0  1
2    0  1  1  1
3    0  1  1  1
]

```

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00,01,02,03,13,23,33
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...
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multiple options
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In [21]: maze1 = [
    [ 1,  1,  1,  1 ],
    [ 0,  1,  0,  1 ],
    [ 0,  1,  1,  1 ],
    [ 0,  1,  1,  1 ],
    ]

maze2 = [
    [1,  1,  1,  1,  1],
    [0,  0,  1,  1,  1],
    [0,  0,  1,  1,  0],
    [1,  1,  0,  0,  0],
    [1,  1,  1,  1,  1],
    ]

maze3 = [
    [ 1,  1,  1,  1 ],
    [ 1,  1,  1,  1 ],
    [ 1,  1,  1,  1 ],
    [ 1,  1,  1,  0 ],
    ]

maze4 = [
    [ 1,  1,  1,  1 ],
    [ 0,  1,  0,  1 ],
    [ 0,  1,  1,  0 ],
    [ 0,  0,  1,  1 ],
    ]

ans = []
def find_path(maze):
    stack = []
    global ans
    ans = []
    find_path_util(maze, 0, 0, stack)
    return ans

def find_path_util(maze, x, y, stack):

    side = len(maze)
    if x < 0 or y < 0 or x >= side or y == side:
        return False

    if maze[x][y] == 0:
        return False

    stack.append((x,y))
    if x == side-1 and y == side-1:
        global ans
        ans = stack.copy()
        return True

    res = find_path_util(maze,x,y+1, stack) or find_path_util(maze, x+1, y, st
    stack.pop()
    return res

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print(find_path(maze1))
print(find_path(maze2))
print(find_path(maze3))
print(find_path(maze4))
```

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[(0, 0), (0, 1), (0, 2), (0, 3), (1, 3), (2, 3), (3, 3)]
[]
[]
[(0, 0), (0, 1), (1, 1), (2, 1), (2, 2), (3, 2), (3, 3)]
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V3: Rat in a Maze D=(L,R,D,U), Return a list of coordinates which denotes the path in maze

Given a maze of size $N \times N$ represented in the form of 0s and 1s.
Where 1 denotes a cell that can be visited and 0 denotes a blocker/s
tone/obstacle

Given a starting point (0,0) and ending point (N-1, N-1), return
whether there exists a path or not.
At a time the Rat can move only one step in Right or Down or Up or Left
directions only.

```

    0  1  2  3
[
0    1  1  1  1
1    0  1  0  1
2    0  1  1  1
3    0  1  1  1
]
```



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In [2]: maze1 = [
    [ 1,  1,  1,  1 ],
    [ 0,  1,  0,  1 ],
    [ 0,  1,  1,  1 ],
    [ 0,  1,  1,  0 ],
    ]

maze2 = [
    [1,  1,  1,  1,  1],
    [0,  0,  1,  1,  1],
    [0,  0,  1,  1,  0],
    [1,  1,  0,  0,  0],
    [1,  1,  1,  1,  1],
    ]

maze3 = [
    [1,  1,  1,  1,  1],
    [0,  0,  1,  1,  1],
    [0,  1,  1,  1,  0],
    [1,  1,  0,  0,  0],
    [1,  1,  1,  1,  1],
    ]

def find_path(maze):
    visited = set()
    return find_path_util(maze, 0, 0, visited)

def find_path_util(maze, x, y, visited):

    side = len(maze)
    if x < 0 or y < 0 or x >= side or y == side:
        return False

    if maze[x][y] == 0:
        return False

    if x == side-1 and y == side-1:
        return True

    if (x,y) in visited:
        return False

    visited.add((x,y))
    print(x,y)
    return find_path_util(maze,x,y+1,visited) or \
           find_path_util(maze, x+1, y,visited) or \
           find_path_util(maze, x-1, y,visited) or \
           find_path_util(maze, x, y-1,visited)

print(find_path(maze1))
print(find_path(maze2))
```

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print(find_path(maze3))
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```
0 0
0 1
0 2
0 3
1 3
2 3
2 2
3 2
3 1
2 1
1 1
False
0 0
0 1
0 2
0 3
0 4
1 4
1 3
2 3
2 2
1 2
False
0 0
0 1
0 2
0 3
0 4
1 4
1 3
2 3
2 2
1 2
2 1
3 1
4 1
4 2
4 3
True
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<https://www.hackerrank.com/contests/noi-ph-practice-page/challenges/path-in-a-maze>
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<https://www.hackerrank.com/challenges/maze-escape>
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