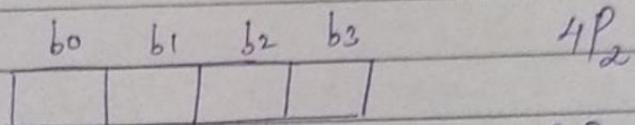


# BACKTRACKING

Queen Permutation - 1D      explicit undo

$n$  boxes,  $2$  queens

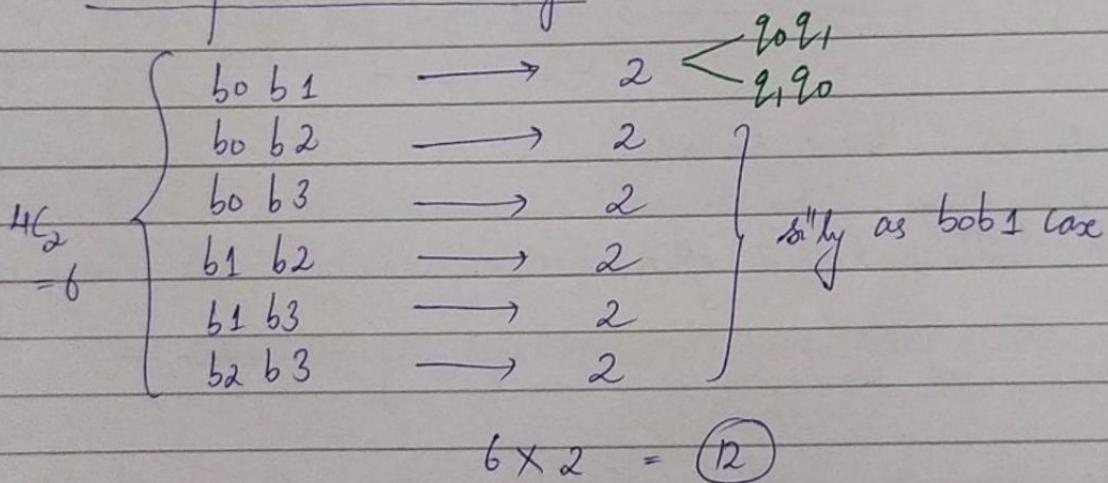


$2$  queens  $\rightarrow q_0, q_1$

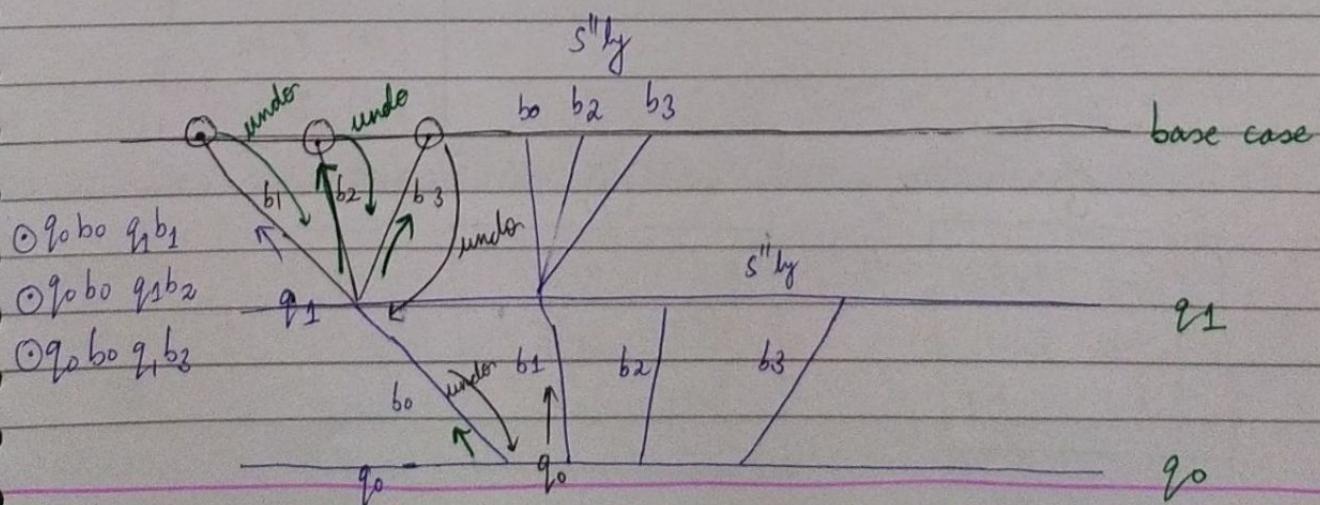
${}^n P_n$

$$4C_2 \cdot 2! = 4P_2 = 12 \text{ ways.}$$

Let's explore these  $12$  ways :-



RT :-



\* So what we did  $\Rightarrow$

①  $q_0$  ko  $b_0$  me baithya

②  $q_1$  ko baithane ke 3 options  $\leftarrow \begin{matrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{matrix}$

③  $q_1$  ko  $b_1$  me baithya  $\rightarrow [q_0 b_0 \ q_1 b_1] \leftarrow$

④  $q_1$  ko  $b_1$  se wapas nikala (Backtrack keenaya)

⑤  $q_1$  ko  $b_2$  me baithya  $\rightarrow [q_0 b_0 \ q_1 b_2] \leftarrow \textcircled{3}$

⑥  $q_1$  ko  $b_2$  se wapas nikala  $\rightarrow$  (Backtrack karaya)

⑦  $q_1$  ko  $b_3$  me baithya  $\rightarrow [q_0 b_0 \ q_1 b_3] \leftarrow$

⑧ Now,  $q_0$  ko Backtrack karaya

⑨  $q_0$  ko baithane ke 3 options  $\leftarrow \begin{matrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{matrix}$

⑩  $q_0$  ko  $b_1$  me baithya

⑪  $q_1$  ko baithane ke 3 options  $\leftarrow \begin{matrix} b_0 \\ b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{matrix}$

& so on...

$q_0 b_1 \ q_1 b_0$
$q_0 b_1 \ q_1 b_2$
$q_0 b_1 \ q_1 b_3$

S<sup>"</sup>ly

$q_0 b_2 \ q_1 b_0$
$q_0 b_2 \ q_1 b_1$
$q_0 b_2 \ q_1 b_3$

$q_0 b_3 \ q_1 b_0$
$q_0 b_3 \ q_1 b_1$
$q_0 b_3 \ q_1 b_2$

$$\Rightarrow 3 \times 4 = 12$$

- box
- \* boolean [ ] board ;
  - $tq \rightarrow$  total queens (2)
  - $qpsf \rightarrow$  kitne queens place kara diye hain so far
  - $ans \rightarrow$  print jo karana hoi usko ans me store kelunge
  - \*  $q_0 \rightarrow$  ke paas kitne options hain?  $\rightarrow$  Total no. of boxes

Joh kyun na main iske liye loop laga dun,  $q_0$  ko ek ek kaake boxes me baitha dun.

- \* Acha  $q_1$  ke boxes tathri employ karengne jab
- \* queen baith gyi  $\rightarrow$  true  
otherwise  $\rightarrow$  false
- \* Ye make sure kera hamara kaam haw ki ek hi box me dono queens ko na baitha dein

Joh jahan box false hoga  $\rightarrow$  wahan pe hi baitha sakte

\* BC if ( $qpsf == tq$ ) {  
    // print ans ;  
    then return

}

- \* Step urlo kere ke liye  $\rightarrow$  false keda box ki aay me kya kija jaaye

Code :-

state int count = 0;

p s v m( ) {

    new boolean[4]  
    QueensPermutation (boolean[] boxes, 0, 2, "");

}

p s v QueensPermutation (boolean[] boxes, int qpsf, int tq,  
                               String ans) {

// Base Case

if ( qpsf == tq ) { // Jab 2 queens ko baitha diya, tab count ko  
                          count++; // bakhayenge aur ans print karwayenge  
                          System.out.println(count + ". " + ans);  
                          return;

}

for ( int i = 0; i < boxes.length; i++ ) {

    // if ( boxes[i] == false ) { // to ensure ki ek box me  
    // 2 queens na baithhe ho  
    // boxes[i] = true;

// Recursive call, ek queen ko  
baithane ke baad

    QueensPermutation (boxes, qpsf + 1, tq,  
                          ans + "q" + qpsf + "b" + i + "");

    boxes[i] = false; // undo operation  
                          // Backtrack

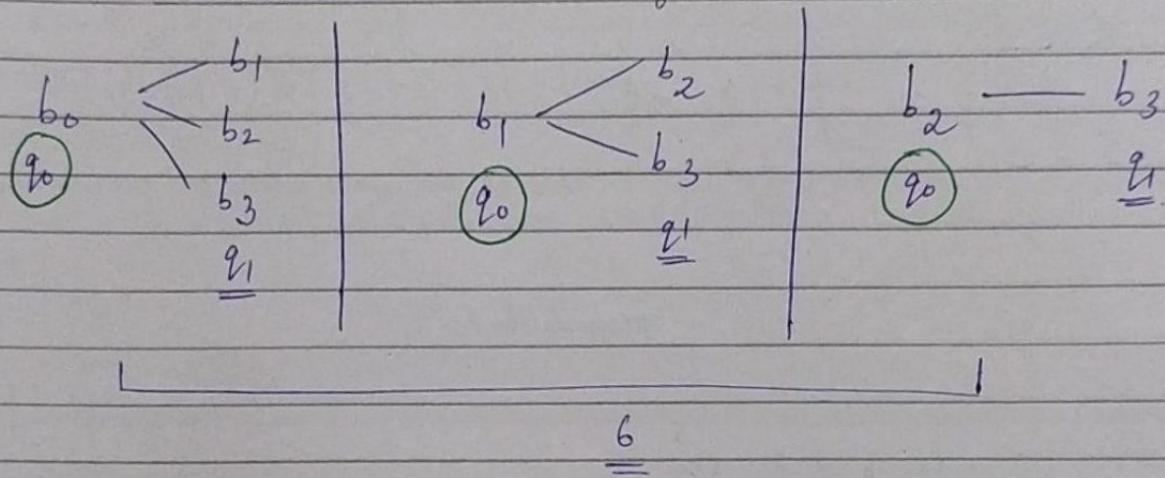
}

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## Queen Combination

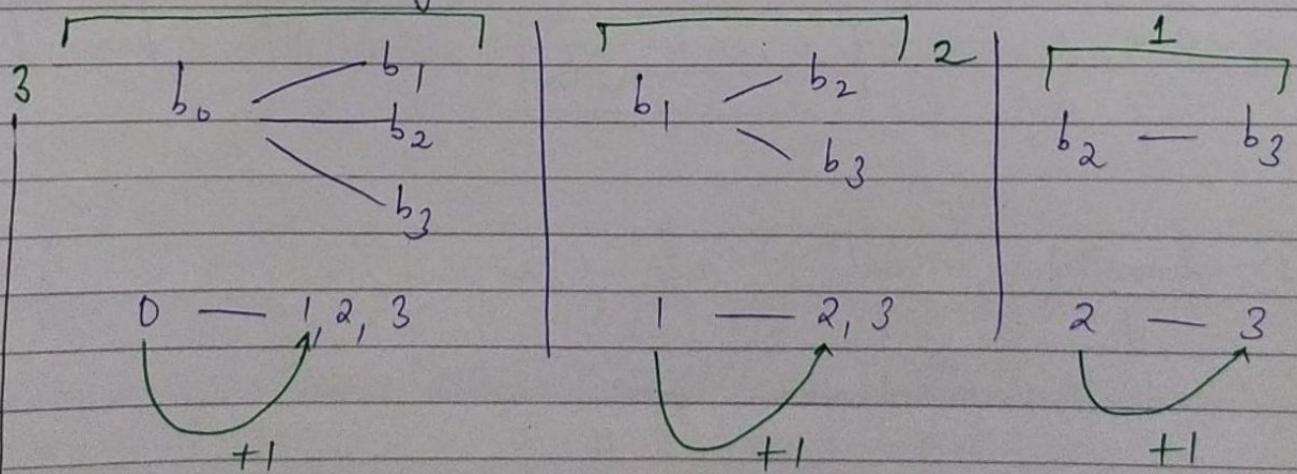
- $4C_2$
- \* Here it doesn't matter,  $q_1$  se pehle hoi ya baad me.
  - \*  $12/2 = 6$  Ans.

$\Rightarrow$  Toh kaise discard karun calls ko?



$\Rightarrow$  ek parameter use klete  $\rightarrow$  lastBoxUsed

$\Rightarrow$  An imp. thing is : hi ab for loop ko ( $lastBoxUsed + 1$ ) se start kرنے (hoga). Aisa kyun?



$\Rightarrow$  When calling the fx<sup>n</sup> in main, lastBoxUsed ko -1 se start kरेंगे, because agar 0 se start kिया toh  $0 + 1 = 1$  se start hoga, toh pehle 3 calls challenge hी nही.

# Coin Change

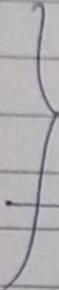
Denomination : {2, 3, 5, 6}

amount : 10

→ infinite supply

Combinations

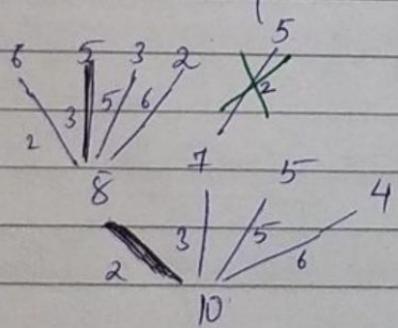
1. 2 2 2 2 2
2. 2 2 3 3
3. 2 2 6
4. 2 3 5
5. 5 5



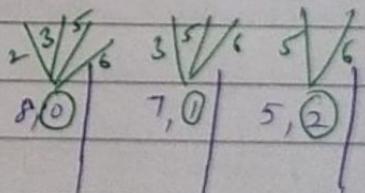
→ 253 | 325 | 352 | 523 | 532

We're not interested in permutations.

permutation han<sup>o</sup>



only for all



$\frac{2 \ 3 \ 5 \ 6}{0 \ 1 \ 2 \ 3}$

last DenomIdx

denom[], amt, ans, lastDenomIdx

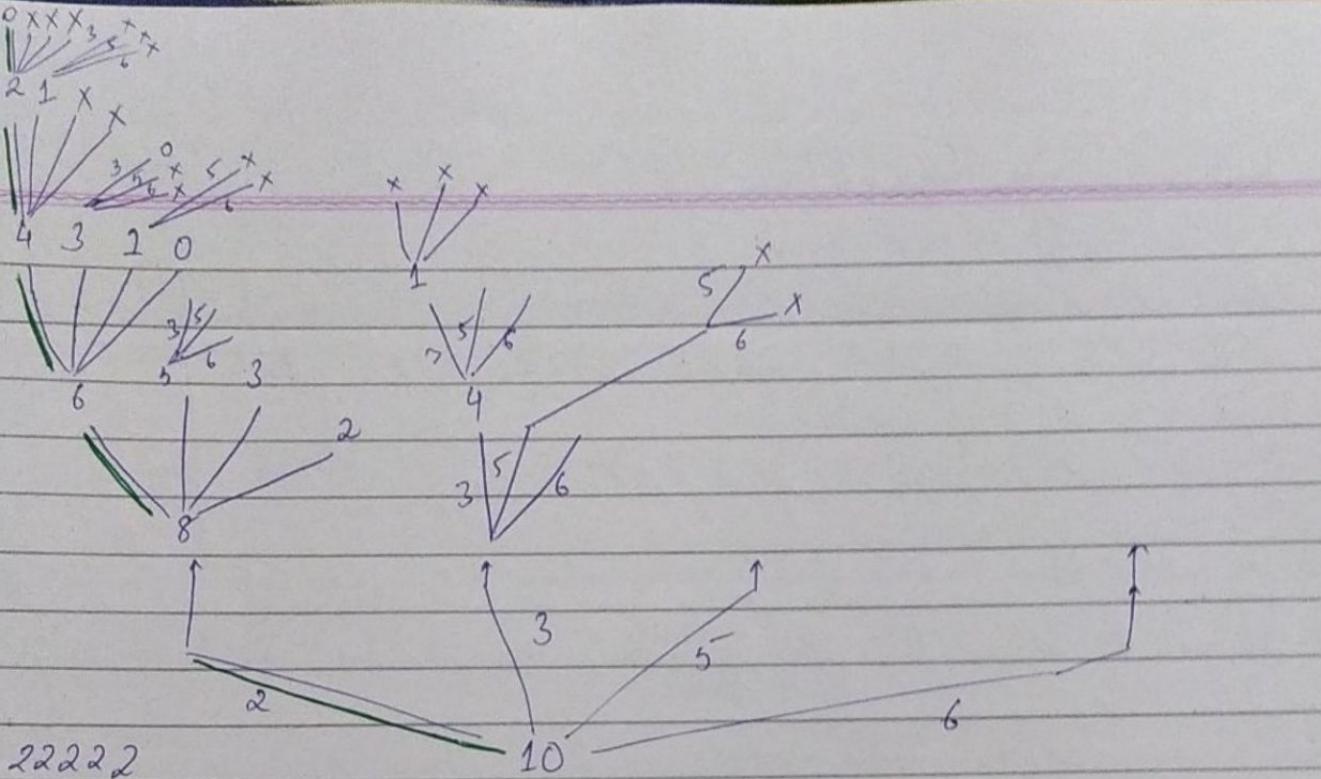
↓      ↓

2, 3, 5, 6      10

Code → github

10 - 2  
↑    ↓

amt - denom[i]



22222

2233

226

235

55

Code :-

for (int i = lastDenomIdx; i < denom.length; i++) {  
 if (amount == 0) {  
 System.out.println("ans");  
 return;  
 }
}

if (amount == 0) {

System.out.println("ans");  
 return;

}

for (int i = lastDenomIdx; i < denom.length; i++) {

if (amount >= denom[i]) {

CoinChange(denom, amount - denom[i],  
 ans + denom[i], i);

}

}

}

jaise 10 → 7 + 3  
 wala denomination use kija,  
 toh uske index ① tha,  
 aur i & uske baad se hi  
 aage ke calls chahiye

## Coin Change Permutation

2 2 2 2 2	→ 1
2 2 3 3, 2332, 2323, 3322, 3223, 3232	→ 6
2 2 6, 262, 622	→ 3
2 3 5, 253, 325, 352, 523, 532	→ 6
55	→ 1
	17

\* Hamne kya kiya tha last ques me permutations bachane ke liye?

LastDenomIndex → use kiya tha

- \* LastDenomIndex kya track rakhta tha → taaki aage wala level uss index se aur uske aage ka loop lagaye
- \* LastDenomIndex batado → Insaan hi change hao wale me
- \* Count bhi rakhli hain → to keep track of the answer.

*An imp note*

Hamare pas 2 options hote hain : -

1) Ya toh recursive call lagane se pehle check kro ki amount negative thi ho → which we did in previous

2) Ya ek aur cheez koi sakte ho → ek negative base case lagado yar for loops ke

```
if (amount < 0) {
    return;
}
```

\* Don't options mese koi  
bhi use kro, sakte ho,  
totally upto you.

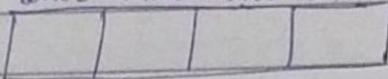
In this case me, we don't need extra call ko check karna like in prev. ques.

# Queen Combination

box 1 box 2 box 3 box 4      Queens = 2

Method : 2

board :

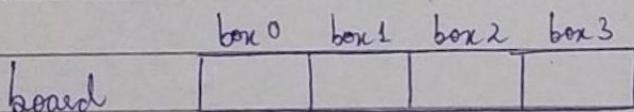


Queen Respect

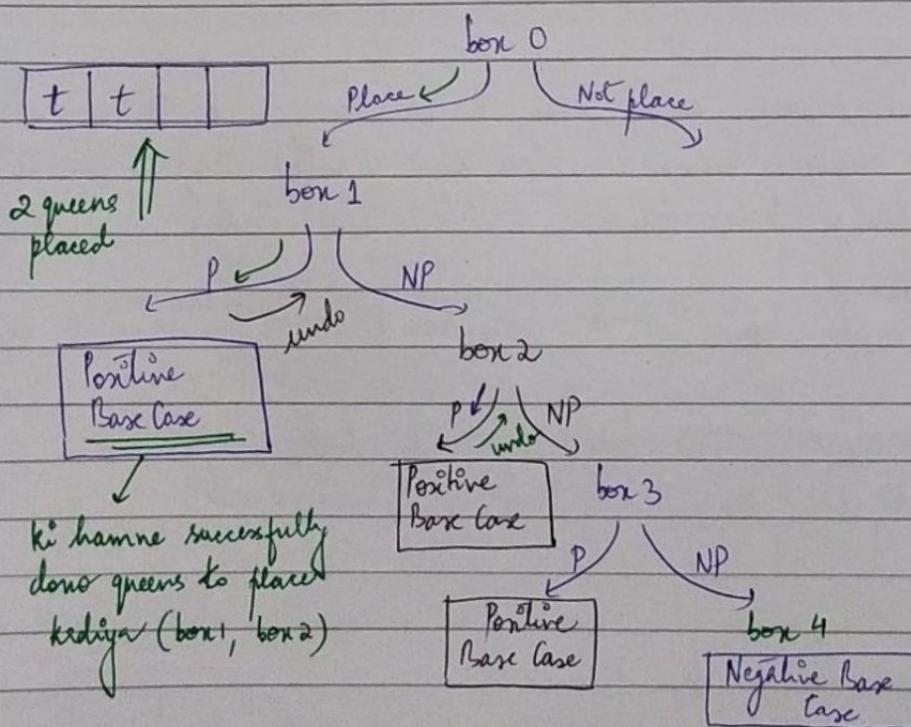
→ Pebble ham ye dekh rhe the  
ki queen ko (box 1, 2, 3) me  
kisme baithayen

Box Respect

→ Yahan ham box ke respect me dekh  
rhe ham, ki box me Queen place ho  
sakhi hain ya nahi



(Box respect)



\* Ab we will undo, box 1 se undo kija (Box 1 pe queen ko place hi mal karwao)  
Ham NP me chale jaayenge

\* Then box 1 → NP → Box 2 P    ∴  $q_0 \rightarrow \text{box } 0$   
 $q_1 \rightarrow \text{box } 2$

\* Then  $q_1$  ko undo kero box 2 se, aur box 3 me place kedo

- \* Now  $q_0 \rightarrow$  box 1  
 $q_1 \rightarrow$  box 3

Abhi tak hamne kya kiya  $\Rightarrow$  placed 2 queens  $(q_0, q_1)$

$b_0$	$b_1$
$b_1$	$b_2$
$b_2$	$b_3$

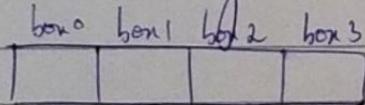
- \* Ab we will undo & box 2  $\rightarrow$  NP  $\rightarrow$  box 4

$\downarrow$   
Negative Base Case  
(This box does not exist)

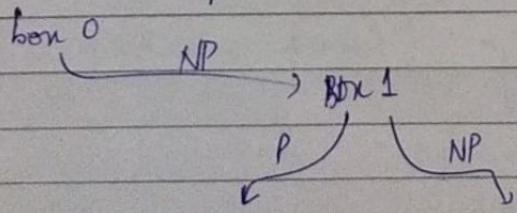
\* Ab fir undo karenge, aur undo kile kile box 0 pe pohonch jayenge. Jo bhī answers hamne explore kiye, woh saare box 0 me queen ko place kake kiye

\* Jo branch abhi explore ki  $\rightarrow$  woh box 0  $\rightarrow$  P kene se ham

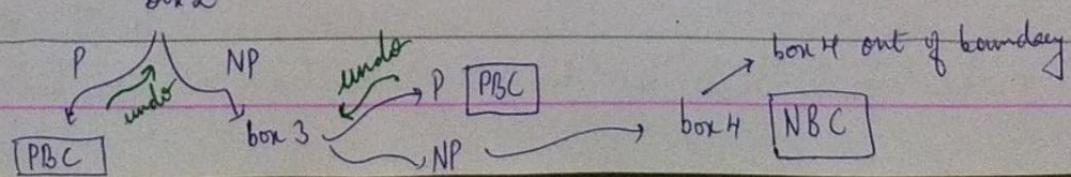
\* Acha undo kaise karenge  $\rightarrow$  box 0 se t hata denge



\* Ab we will explore box 0 ki NP call



$b_1$	$b_2$
$b_1$	$b_3$
$b_2$	$b_3$



Queen house at  
me batthi hai

Code :-

p s v QueenCombinationBoxRespect ( boolean [ ] board , int col , int tq,  
int qpsf , int tq , string ans ) {

// positive base case

if ( qpsf == tq ) {  
sysos ( ans );  
return ;

}

// negative base case

if ( col == board.length ) {  
return ;

}

// place

board [ col ] = true ;

QueenCombinationBoxRespect ( board , col + 1 , qpsf + 1 , tq , ans + "b" + col );  
board [ col ] = false // undo

// not place

QueenCombinationBoxRespect ( board , col + 1 , qpsf , tq , ans );

\* Imp. Note :-

Agar hamne NBC ko PBC se upper likh dein, toh galat opp (cellular of P)  
aayega.

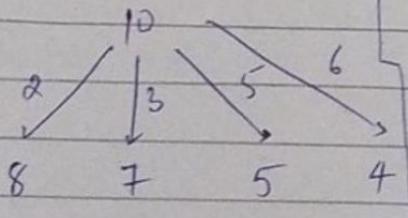
Khud soch kyun aisa hai? Suppose b<sub>2</sub> b<sub>3</sub> me sakholiya queens kare, toh  
b<sub>3</sub> me queen ko place karke aage ki recursive call laga dega, toh ek naya frame  
create hua, toh if PBC is written first b<sub>2</sub> b<sub>3</sub> print ho jaayega, lekin  
agar NBC ko pehle likha, toh col == board.length execute ho jaayega (& len 4 ka  
print hoga) & ham return kar jaayenge bina ans print karayoge (b<sub>2</sub> b<sub>3</sub> print nahi hoga)

# Coin Change Coin Respect

Coin change

User respect

(ki user ke paas option  
hain woh 2, 3, 5, 6 select  
kar sakte hain)

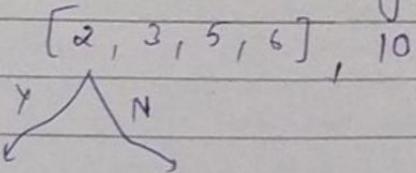


coins  
Respect

coins : infinite supply

[2, 3, 5, 6] amt = 10

\* Joh 2 ke paas kya option h ki 10 amt  
banane me 2 contribute karega ya nhi karega

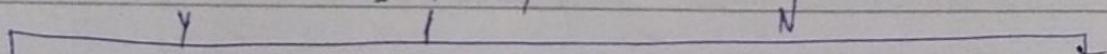


[2, 3, 5, 6], 8      [3, 5, 6], 10

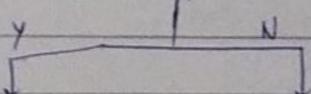
qy. [1, 2, 3], 4

$\Rightarrow$  qp : 1111, 22, 13, 112

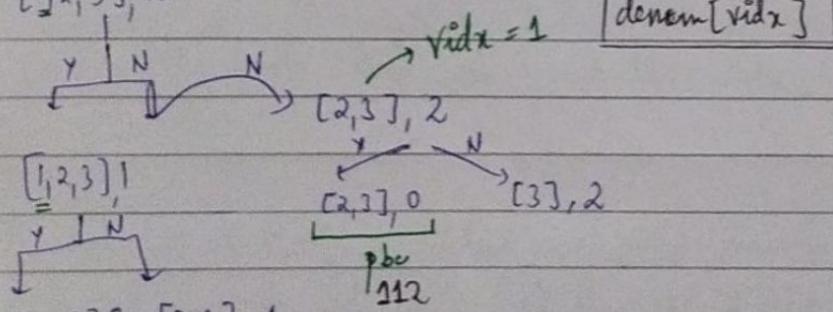
[1, 2, 3], 4



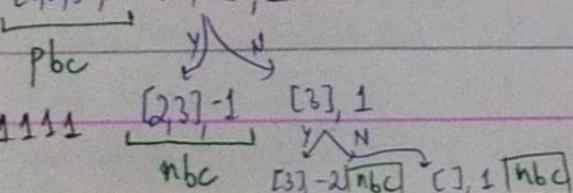
[1, 2, 3], 3



[1, 2, 3], 2



[1, 2, 3], 1



decision on  
denom[vidx]

vidx = 1

[denom[vidx]]

denom:  $[1, 2, 3]$

$[1, 2, 3] \rightarrow \text{vid}_n = 0$

$\underline{[2, 3]} \rightarrow \text{vid}_n = 1$

\* array denom wali hamisha  $[1, 2, 3]$  hi paas hogi, lekin fab form (eg.  $[2, 3]$ ) shahiye hogi toh woh ham vidn se dekhenge

\*  $\text{denom}[\text{vid}_n] \rightarrow \text{denom}[1]$

→ ②

\* ~~iska kya karna padta array ko virtually break? Ham jab RT bana rhe the, tab ham array ka 1st index ka contribution consider kar sake the~~ ②

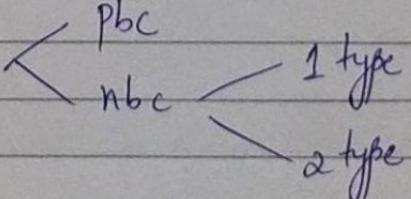
Obviously ham  $[2, 3]$  array pass nahi kr skte henge, ham puri ki puri array  $[1, 2, 3]$  hi pass krenge, toh isliye we need vidn to virtually break the array

- \* ① Virtually break : vidn
- ② Decision :  $\text{denom}[\text{vid}_n]$

Code :-

// Discussion of Base Case

\* Acha we have 2 BC



- \* 2 types of nbc → 1. array blank hona,  $\text{vid}_n = 3$
- 2. amount - re ho gaye

$\text{fp } 3 \vee \text{CoinChangeCoinRespect}(\text{int } [\text{denom}, \text{int } \text{vidx}, \text{int } \text{amount},$   
 $\text{String ans}) \{$

// Base Case

// yes

$\text{CoinChangeCoinRespect}(\text{denom}, \text{vidx}, \text{amount} - \text{denom}[\text{vidx}],$   
 $\text{ans} + \text{denom}[\text{vidx}]),$

// no

$\text{CoinChangeCoinRespect}(\text{denom}, \text{vidx} + 1, \text{amount}, \text{ans}),$

}

// Base Case

// pbc (positive base case)

if ( $\text{amount} == 0$ ) {  
     $\text{sys}(ans);$   
    return;

}

\* Implicit ends

⇒ rec. call khatam hore ke broad  
and wapas wahi ko joayeg

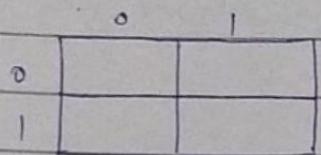
// nbc (negative base case)

if ( $\text{amount} < 0 \text{ || vidx } == \text{denom.length}$ ) {  
    return;

}

# Queen Combination 2D

2D Board



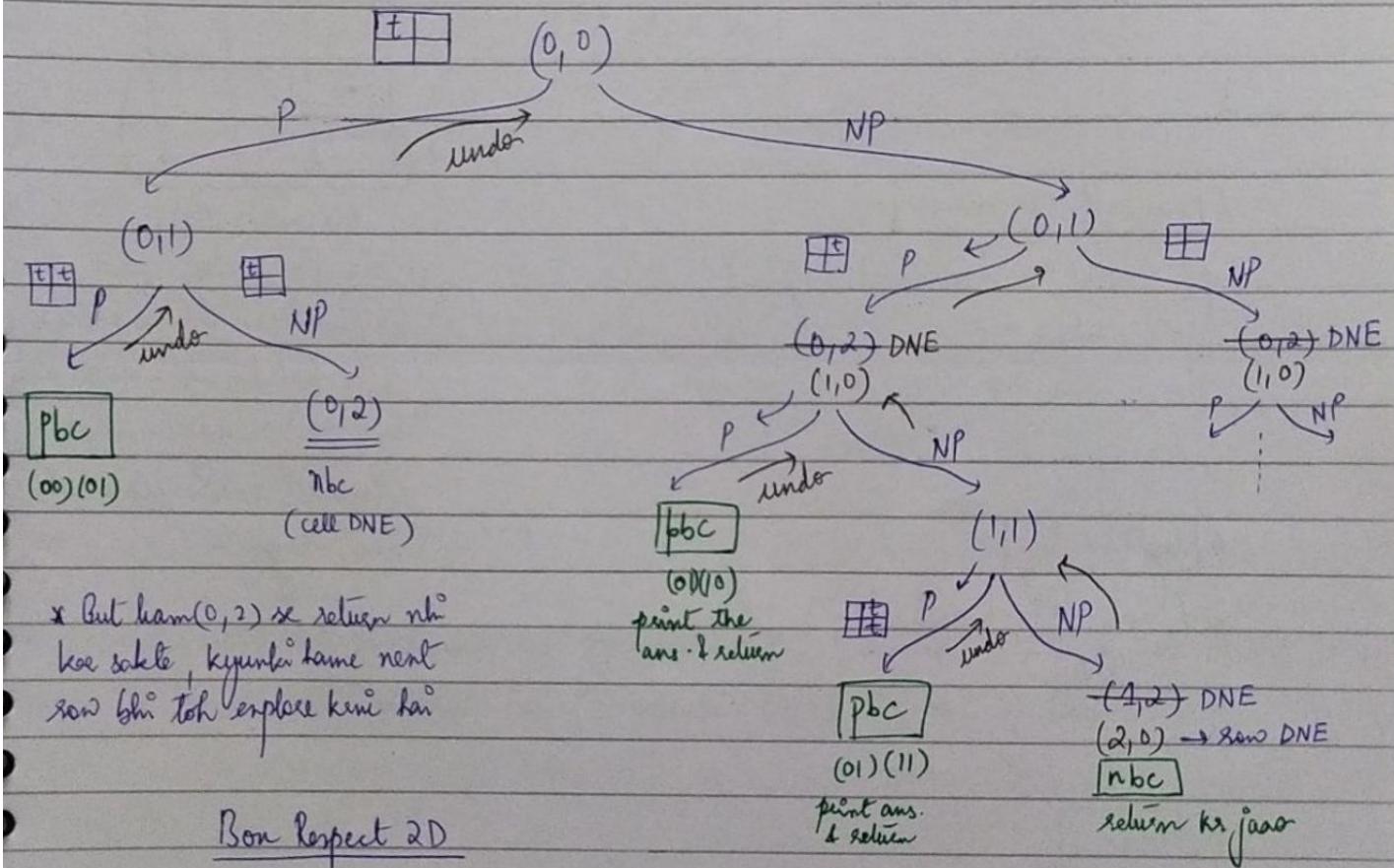
→ row, col

→ 2 Queens place : Combination

→ Box Respect

Suppose

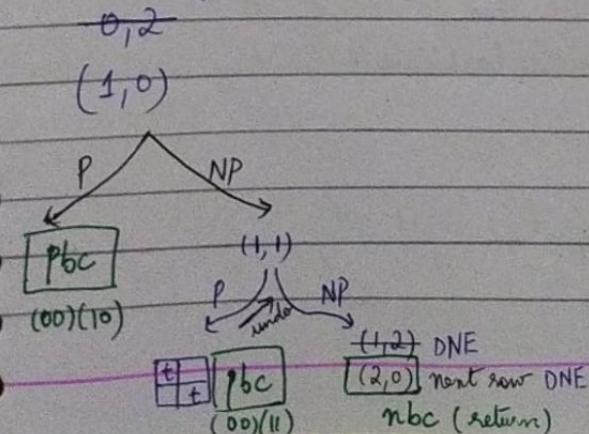
Recursion Tree



Box Respect 2D

Change variables  
manually

Extra Rec.  
call



Code :-

8 V QueenCombinationBoard2D (boolean [][] board, int row, int col,  
int qpsf, int tq, String ans) {

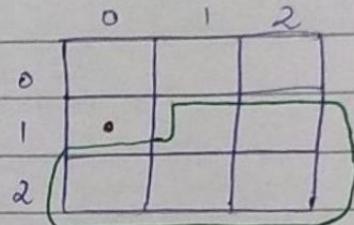
// positive base case

if (qpsf == tq) {

ans(ans);  
return;

}

Jump point



b[1][0] = t

(1, 0) Pe queen agar  
bari ke iska Matlab  
yeh bar hi iske aage wale  
rows pe ya aage wale  
columns queen place nahi  
hui hogi

// negative bc

if (row == board.length) {

return;

}

// place

board[row][col] = true;

QueenCombinationBoard2D(board, row, col + 1, qpsf + 1, tq,  
ans + "{" + row + "-" + col + "});

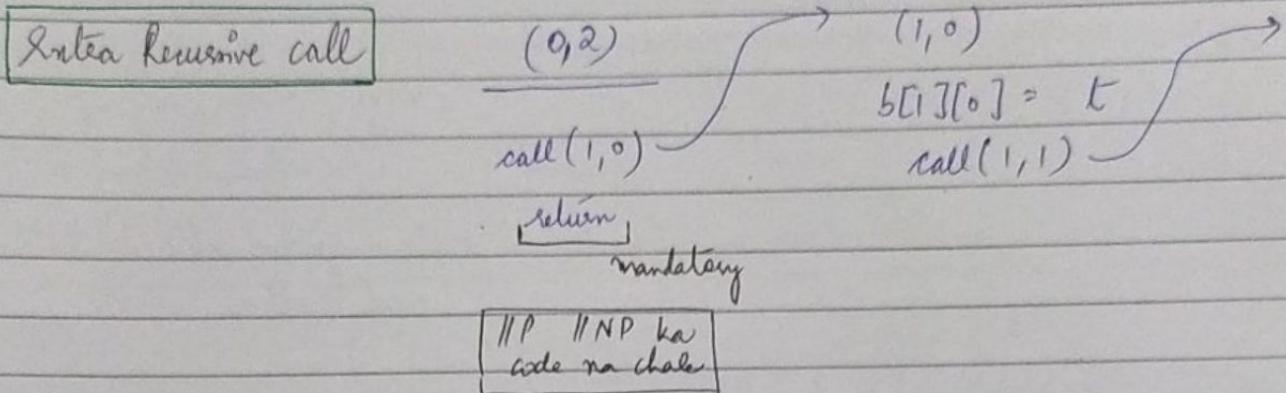
board[row][col] = false; // undo (backtrack)

// not place

QueenCombinationBoard2D(board, row, col + 1, qpsf, tq, ans);

}

## Approach - 2



// extra rec call

if ( col == board[0].length ) {

    QueenCombinationBoxRespectedD ( board, row+1, col, qpf, tq, ans );

    3

        return  
        ↓

Very imp. Why?

→ agar  $(0,2)$  pe ham aa gya hain toh hamne // Place & // Not place ki call nahi chalani hai, kyunki  $(0,2)$  is out of boundary

Ex. 3x4 board  
12 cells , 3 queens

$$12C_3 = \frac{12 \times 11 \times 10}{3 \times 2} = 220$$

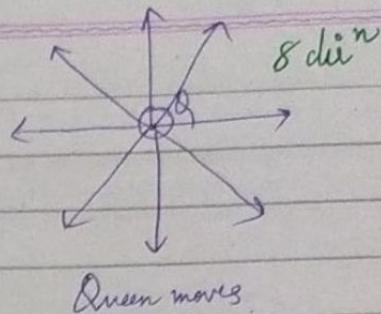
## Queen Combination 2D Kill

	0	1	2	3
0	Q			
1				Q
2		Q		

← chessboard

3x4

3 Queens



Constraint :- No 2 queens should kill each other

\* (00)(01)(02) → Invalid answer

\* (00)(01)(03) → Invalid

\* (00)(13)(21) → Valid combination

	0	1	2	3
0	P	NP	NP	NP
1	NP	NP	NP	P NP
2	NP	P NP	NP	NP

1. Iteration : Black colour  
(Third queen ko baitha hū  
nhi paaoge)

2. Backtrack karna padega

(23) → (22) → (21) → (20) →  
(13) → (12)

3. After Backtracking, (12)  
me NP

	0	1	2	3
0		M	↑	
1				
2	!		?	
3				

g, c

① ↑ [vertically upward check] c = cd same  
 $\ell = \text{row} - 1$

(0,2)

(1,2)

\* Variables g, c sakhaa bohot jaroori hain, otherwise original variables ka track sakhaa dikhat dedeg, we need original info as it is. Also, we need to reinitialize g & c acc. to every dir^n

Code :-

p & boolean isSafeToPlaceTheQueen (boolean [][] board, int row, int col) {

// vertically upward

int r = row - 1;

int c = col;

while (r >= 0) {

if (board[r][c]) {

return false;

}

r--;

}

Repeat  
this part

}

// horizontally left

r = row;

c = col - 1;

while (c >= 0) {

Repeat

c--;

}

// diagonally left

r = row - 1;

c = col - 1;

while (r >= 0 && c >= 0) {

Repeat

r--;

c--;

}

// [diagonally right]

$r = row - 1;$   
 $c = col + 1; \quad c < board[0].length$   
while ( $r \geq 0 \text{ and } \cancel{c == 0}$ ) {

    Repeat:

    \\$

$r--;$   
     $c++;$   
    3

return true;

3

// place only if it is safe

\* Queen Combination 2D → copy paste the code with 1 change

// place only if it's safe

if (isItSafeToPlaceTheQueen (board, row, col)) {

    Same code copy paste

3

# N Queen (std problem of backtracking)

Rq N x N chessboard  
 ↤ square  
 N Queens

	0	1	2	3
0	(2)	(2)		
1		(2)		(2)
2	(2)			(2)
3		(2)	(2)	

2 ways  
 (black & green)

5 x 5 chessboard : 10 ways.

\* The prev. kill ques that we did was even more generic,  
 any no. of queens, any dimensional board (rectangle/square) was  
 chaled.

\* This ques is similar to kill ques that we did previously

\* kill (board, row, col, qpsf, tq, ans)  
 [NQueens (board, 0, 0, 0, n, "")];  
 ↓  
 square

\* But, we can improve the code

Agar suppose (0, 0) pe queen ko rakh kar, toh definitely (0, 1), (0, 2), (0, 3)  
 pe queen nahi aayi aur yehi. Toh inke calls do hi hoga to save time

Toh seude call (row+1, 0) iske kardo  
 ↑      ↑  
 row    col

A place only if it is safe wale part me

Code: github

## N Knights

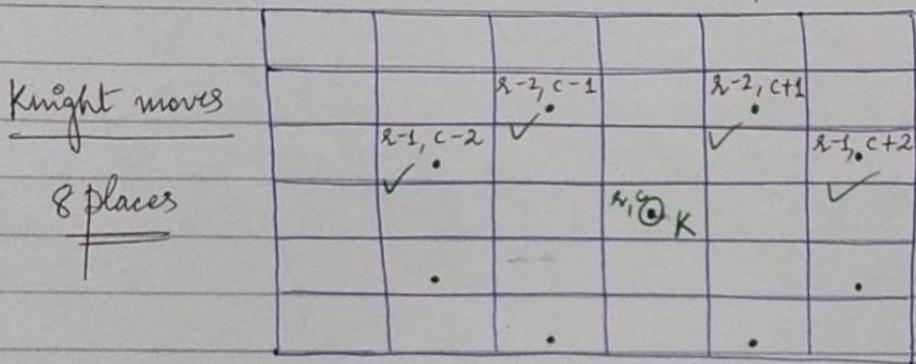
$N \times N$  chessboard

$N$  knights  
↓

$2\frac{1}{2}$  kadam chalte hain

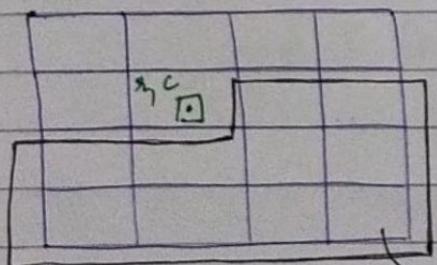
$$\begin{array}{|c|} \hline \text{rowArr} = [-1, -2, -2, -1] \\ \hline \text{colArr} = [2, 1, -1, -2] \\ \hline \end{array}$$

4 pos<sup>n</sup>  
array



\* If any other knight is at those 8 locations, then R can kill them.

\* We had to use while loop in case of N Queens problem when we were writing ~~isSafe~~ function, because kiske liye kadam shal sakte hain, but here in Knights question, there are only 8 places of danger (kyunki knight ki movement fixed hain,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  kadam)



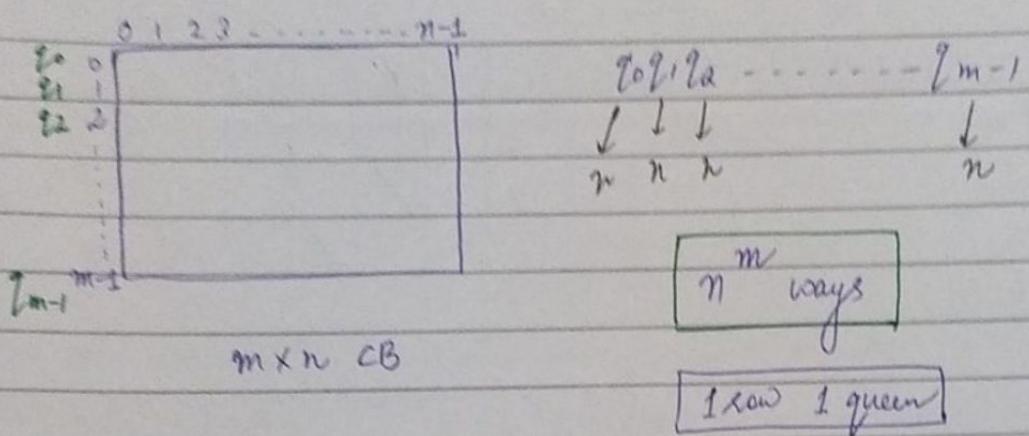
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Inn places se abhi tak knight hoga hain nahi (we've discussed this earlier)

\* Toh basically k ko danger sirf 4 pos<sup>n</sup> hai (as ticked above).

\* Neeche wale 4 knight se kon danger nahi hoga.

## N Queen 2



	0	1	2	3
q0				
q1				
q2				
q3				

$$q_3 = 4 \text{ ways.}$$

$$q_0, q_1, q_2 : 4 + 4 + 4 + 4 = 4 \cdot 4 = 4^2 \text{ ways}$$

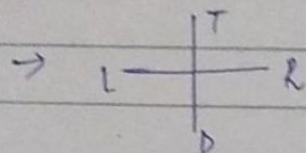
$$q_1, q_2, q_3 = 4^2 + 4^2 + 4^2 + 4^2 = 4^2 \cdot 4 = 4^3 \text{ ways}$$

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(Here queen ko ek ek row dedicate keli)

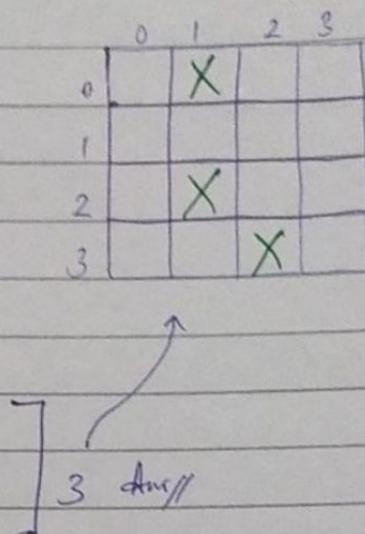
## Blocked Maze

- Maze
- Blocked : dead end
- $(0,0) \rightarrow (3,3)$



→ ways?

DRRDRD  
DRRRDD  
DRRTRDDD

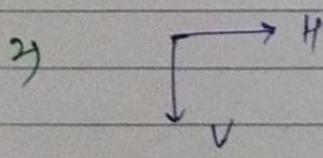
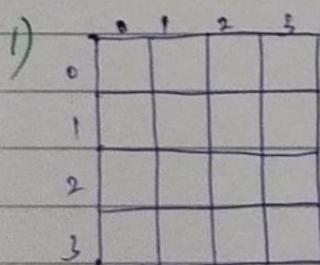


\* int[3][3] maze  
blocked = 1

	0	1	2	3
0	0	1	0	0
1	0	0	0	0
2	0	1	0	0
3	0	0	1	0

Diff b/w Maze path ques we did & blocked maze :-

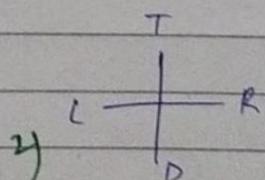
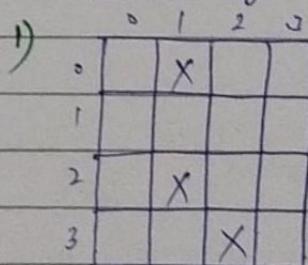
### Maze Path



2 options

3) +ve moves (horizontal maze ki direction me hi jayenge, can't come back)

### Blocked Maze

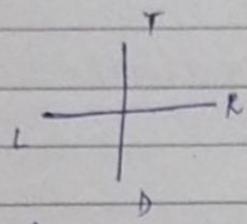


4 options

3) +ve, -ve moves

BP (0,0)

4 options



4 smaller problems

T : (-1, 0)

D : (1, 0)

L : (0, -1)

R : (0, 1)

} 4SP

row-1, col

row+1, col

row, col-1

row, col+1

2D array

0	1	0	0
0	0	0	0
0	1	0	0
0	0	1	0

Discussion & diff. in BC of two ques

Maze Path

Blocked Maze path

1) the base case

row == ec & col == ec

1) the bc:

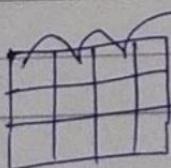
row == m.length - 1 &

col == m[0].length - 1

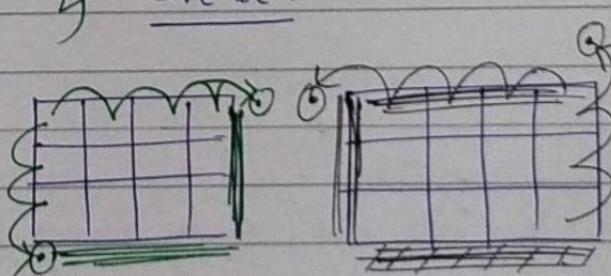
2) -ve base case

row > ec || col > ec

2) -ve bc:



out of boundary



Yahan pe isif 2 cond<sup>n</sup>  
lagana suff. tha

(2 type ke moves)

row == m.l ||  
col == m[0].l

row == -1  
col == -1

Yahan pe 4 cond<sup>n</sup> lagana jasoosih  
(4 type ke moves)

- ①  $\rightarrow$  boundary reach : invalid spot
- ②  $\rightarrow$  blocked cell : invalid spot ( $\text{maze}[\text{row}][\text{col}] == 1$ )

Imp. point

- \* Acha agar yahan tak ka code likh din aur em karen, toh stack overflow hoga, kyunnn?
- \* Kyunki hamne ek cheez ka dhyaan toh diya hi nhi - kya?

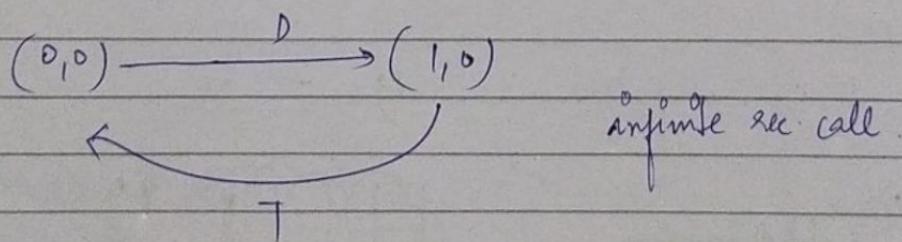
		0	1	2	3
0	TD	X			
	LR				
1	TP				
	LR				
2	X				
3		X			

$\Rightarrow (0, 0)$  jab Down call korega  
we'll reach  $(1, 0)$

$\Rightarrow (1, 0)$  jab Top call korega we'll reach  
 $(0, 0)$

$\Rightarrow$  And the cycle continues....

### WHICH RESULTED IN STACK OVERFLOW



Yeh kete kete stack memory fill ho jaenge & LOL

\* Ish mukh kake sao jahan & jis bhi path se aa sakte hain. Jaaki item wapas us path pe na jao jahan se bayo the.

\* Ish ek 2D boolean array banayenge, visited ke naam se jo ye track rakhega ki hamne konse cell ko visit kiji hai

③ → Already visited cell : invalid spot

↳ info thi re base case me add kerna padha  
(visited[row][col])

Code :-

```
ps v BlockedMaze( int [][] maze, int row, int col, String ans,  
boolean [][] visited) {
```

// positive bc

```
if (row == maze.length - 1 && col == maze[0].length - 1) {  
    System.out.println(ans);  
    return;
```

}

// negative bc

```
if (row == -1 || row == maze.length || col == -1 || col == maze[0].length ||  
    maze[row][col] == 1 || visited[row][col]) {
```

```
return; // hamne return kera hai yahan se, can't  
proceed further (mujhe T, L, R calls nahi  
denge age ke)
```

}

// put a mark

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visited[row][col] = true;
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// T

BlockedMaze(maze, row - 1, col, ans + "T", visited);

// D

BlockedMaze(maze, row + 1, col, ans + "D", visited);

// L

BlockedMaze(maze, row, col - 1, ans + "L" + visited);

// R

BlockedMaze(maze, row, col + 1, ans + "R", visited);

}