Clean Code

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"Software Systems get replaced not when they wear out but when they crumble under their own weight because they have become too complex"



Why Does this Occur?

vocabulary + grammar != poetry

Set yourself up for success

- Stay organized have a plan and prioritize!
- Structure
 - Do one thing
 - Compartmentalize
 - Many functions with small bodies > one function with a large body
 - Before writing code ask "How will someone use this (or part of this) code?". Minimize side effects

Method / Process

- Top Down Approach
- Bottom up Approach
- Solve the 90% problem first then improve / refine to get to 100%
- Boring code is good code: keep it simple
- Check soundness by reading your code before testing

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'Clean code' by Robert C. Martin

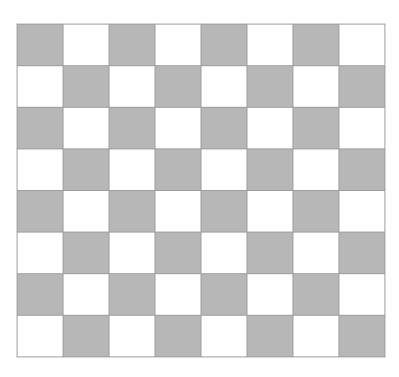
Github Gist Summary of the Book:

https://gist.github.com/wojteklu/73c6914cc446146b8b533c0988cf8d29

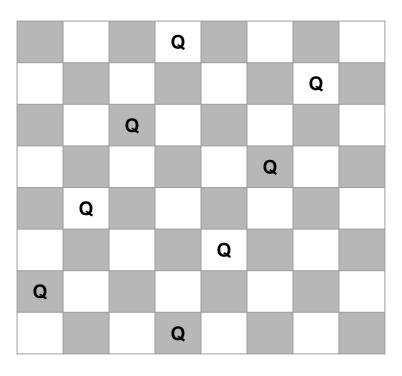
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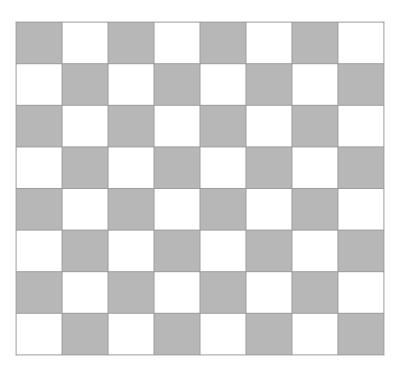
- 1. Don't Panic!
- 2. Read the error
 - What is the error telling you?
 - Where did the error occur?
 - Is this a cause or just a symptom (one bug can hide another)?
- 3. Re-read your code take your time!
 - Can you mentally trace through your code to reproduce the error in your head?
 - If not: your code may need some refactoring because it's too complex!
- 4. Sanity check where you can
 - Is everything set up properly? Are the things that are supposed to communicate actually communicating?
- 5. Now look online for some help
 - Hopefully with the above out of the way you have a good idea what to search for in order to actually fix the issue
- 6. Take breaks

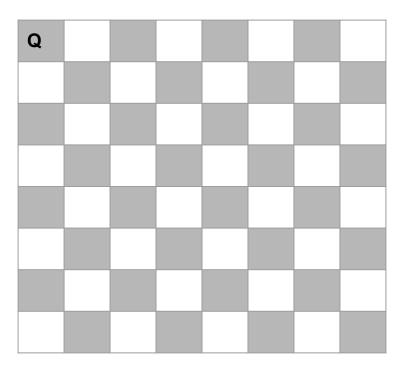
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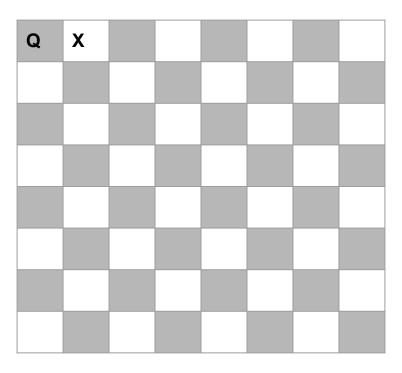


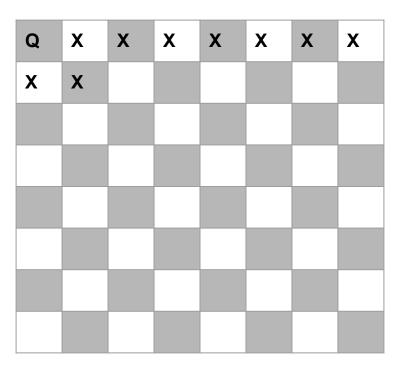
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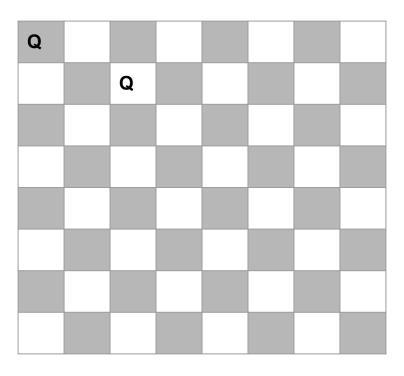


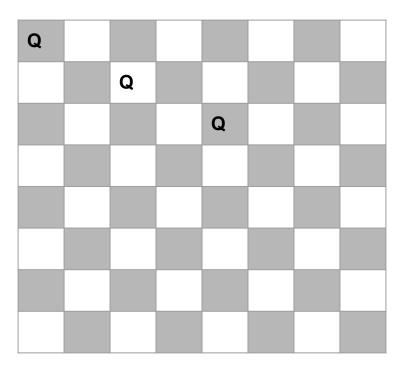


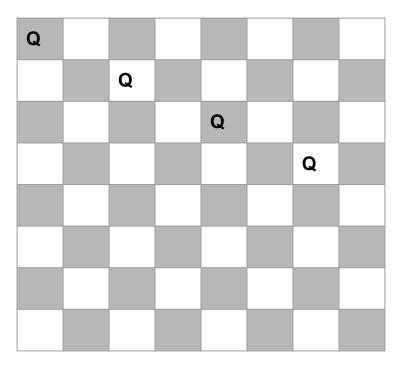


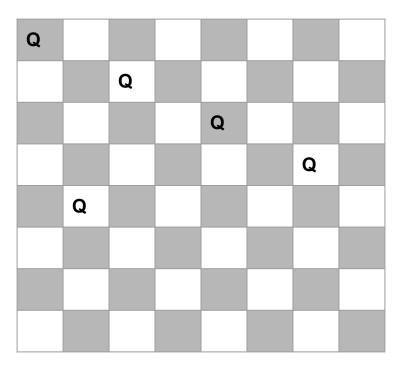


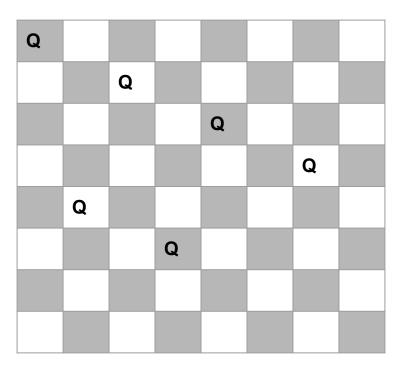


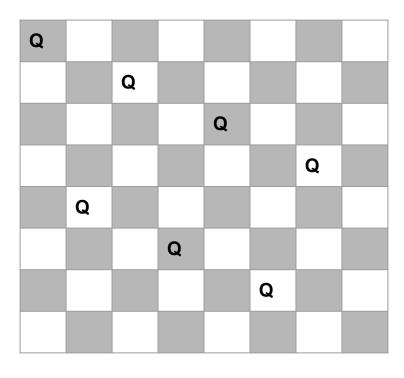


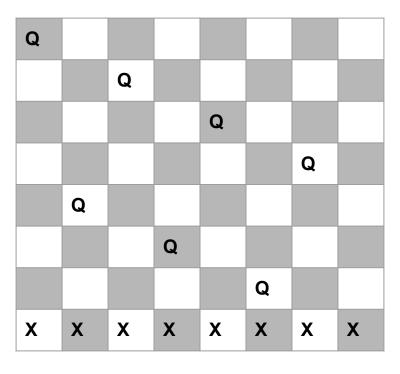




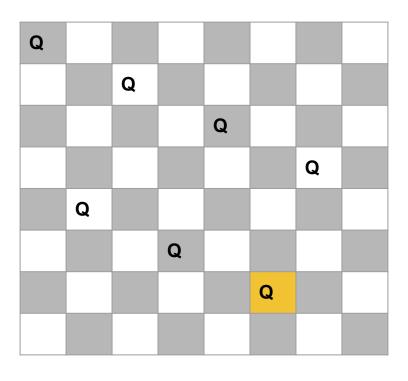




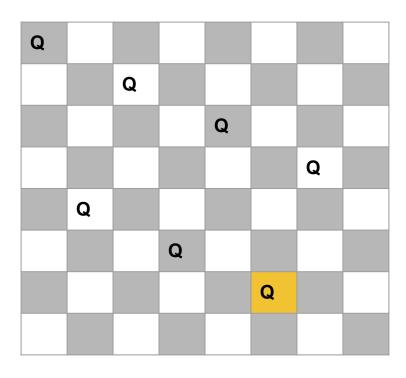




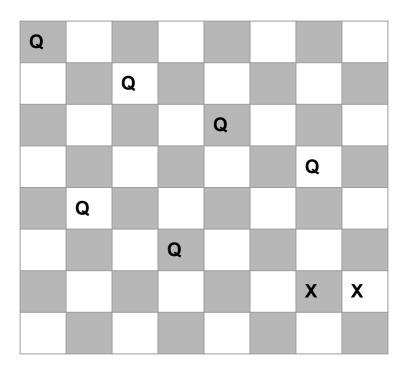
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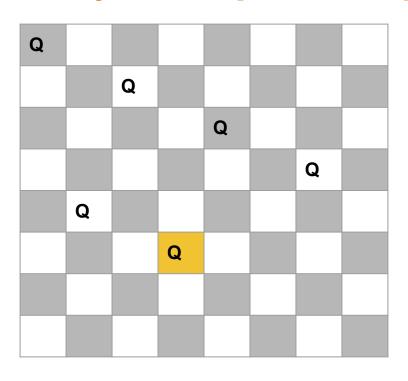
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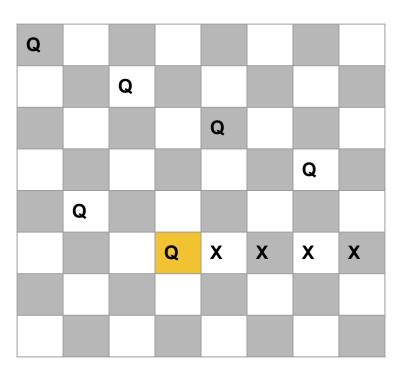
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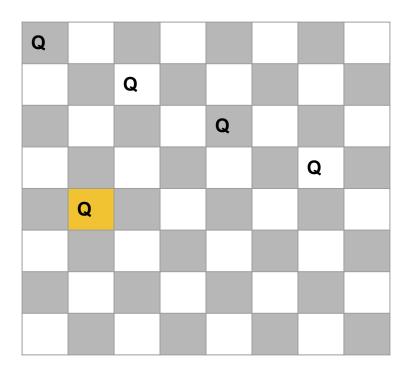
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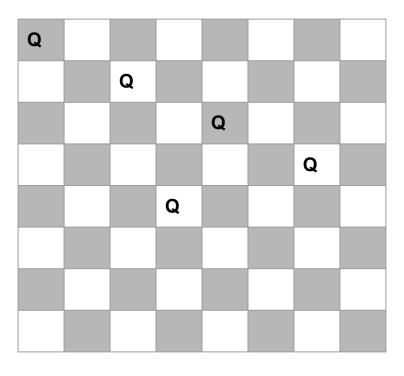
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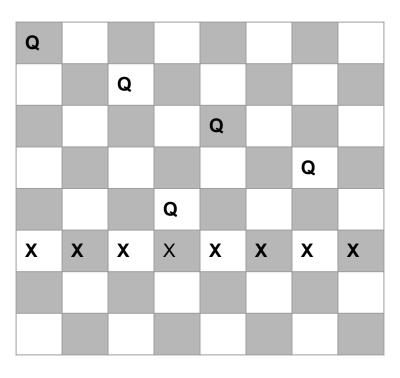
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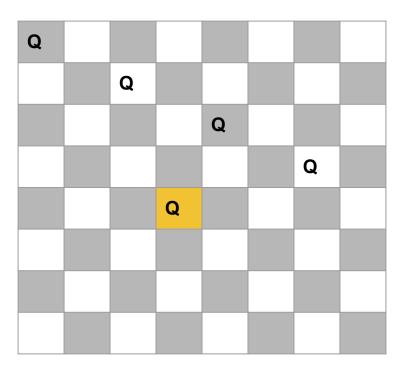
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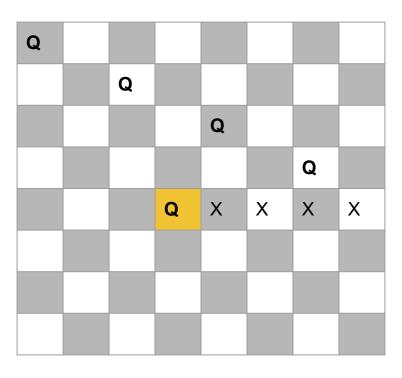
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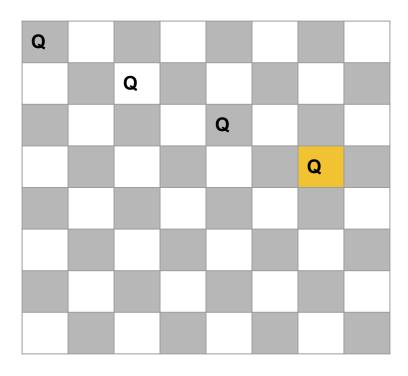
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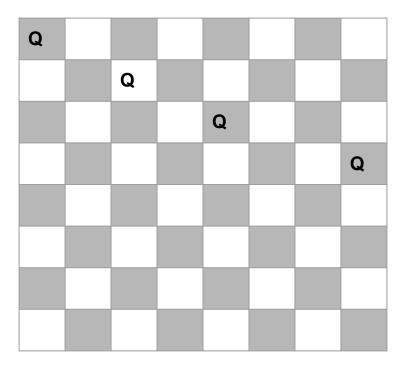
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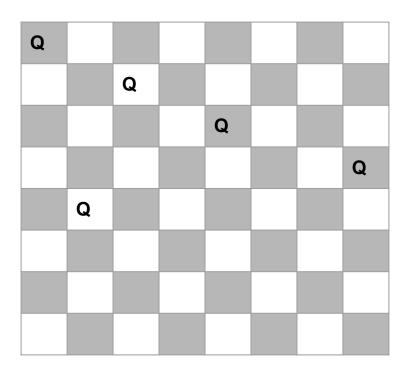


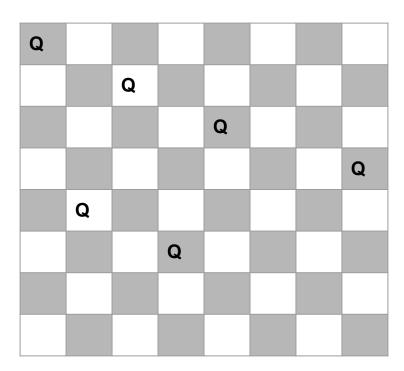
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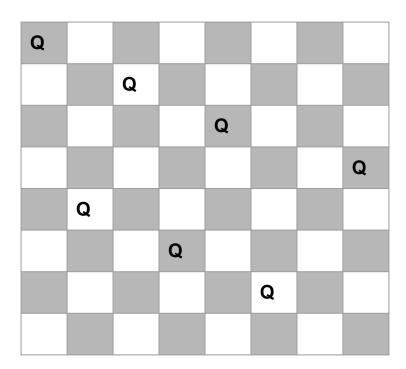


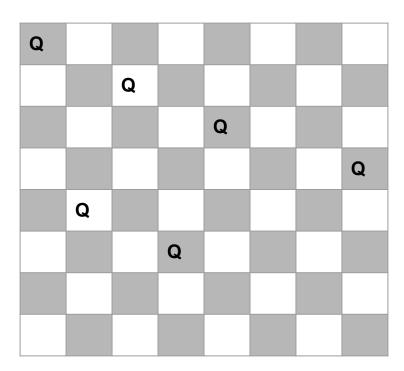
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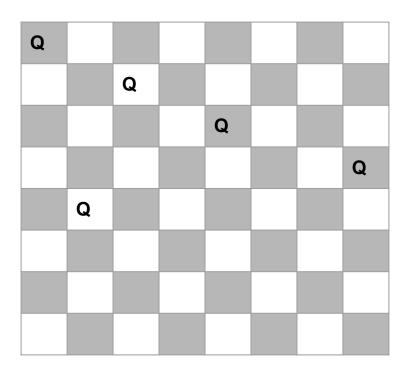


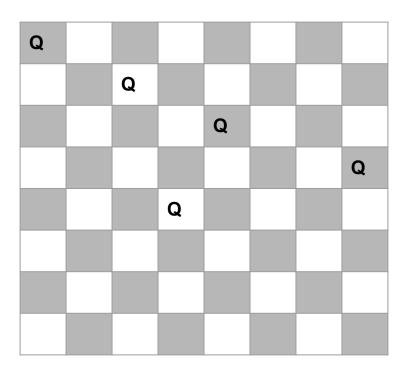


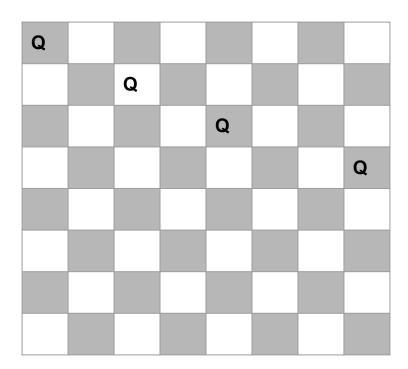


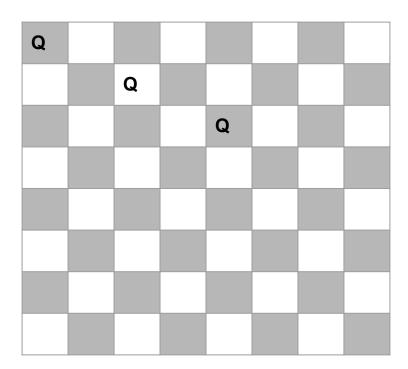


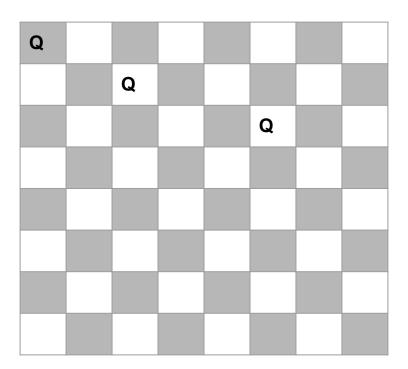


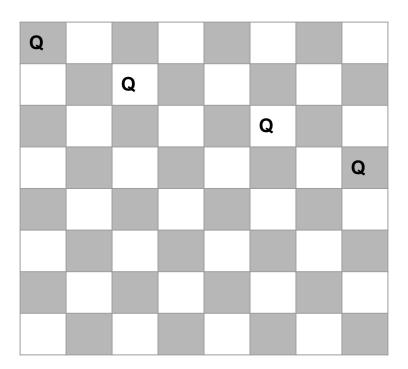


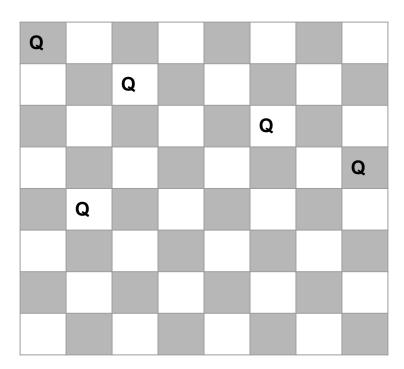


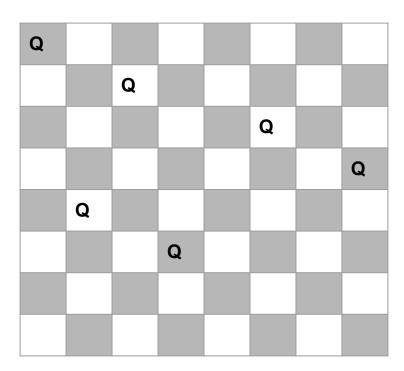


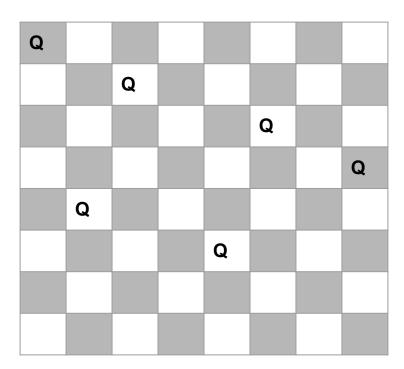


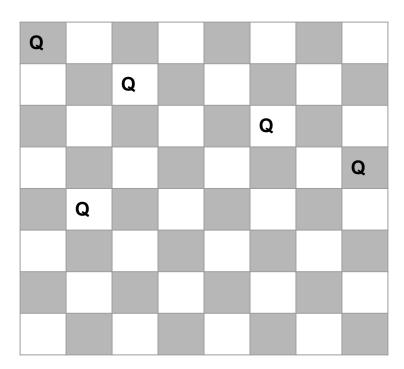


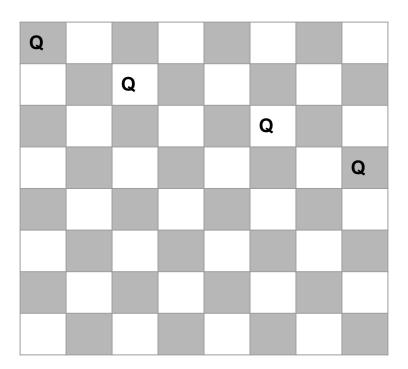


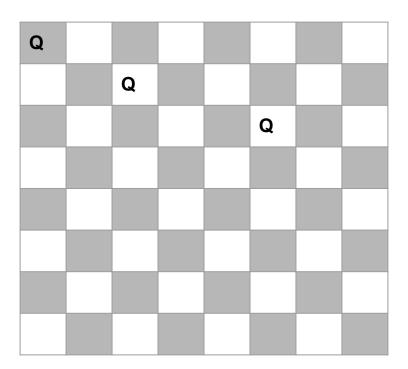


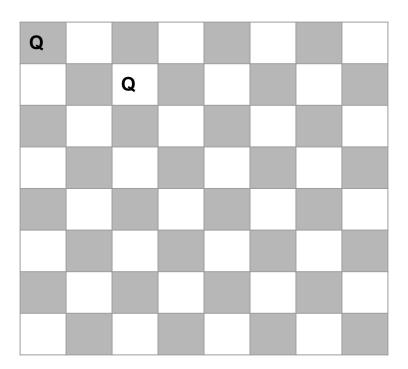


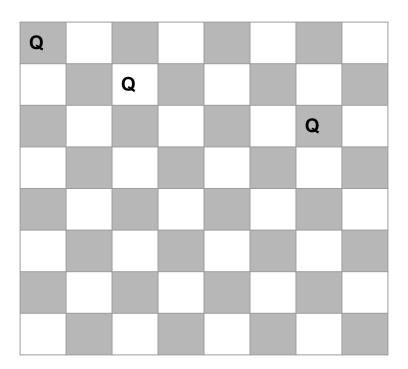


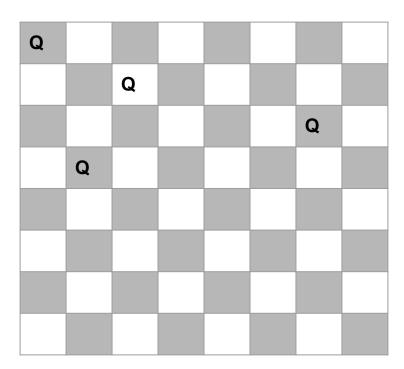


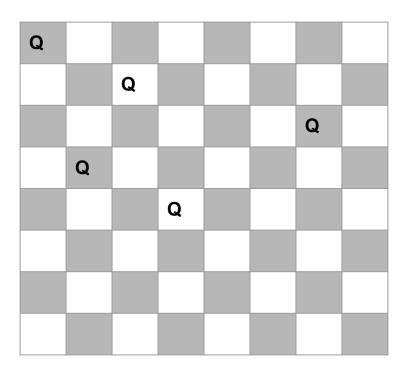


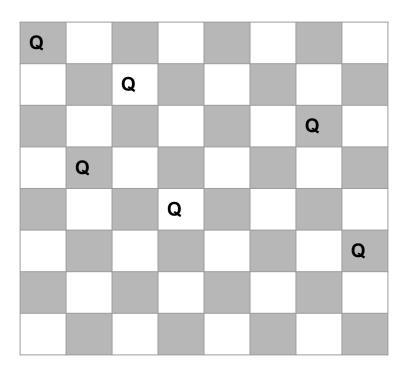


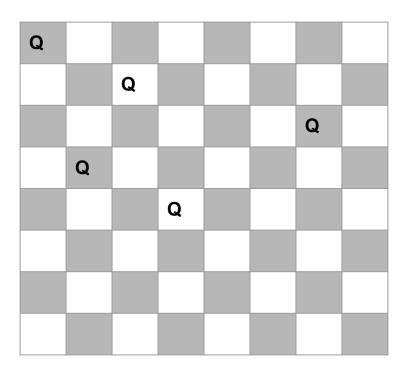


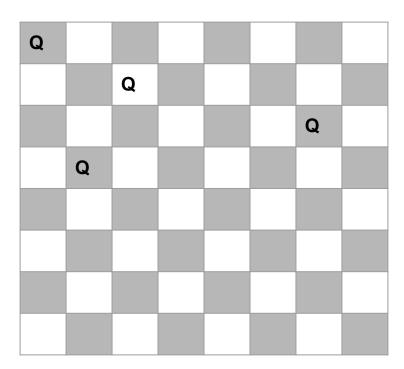


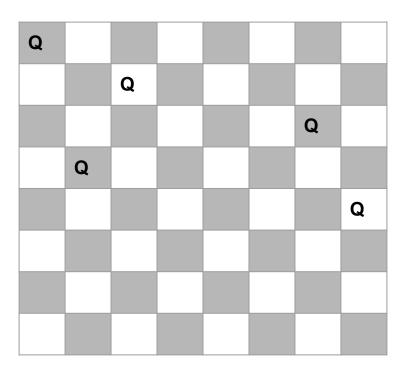


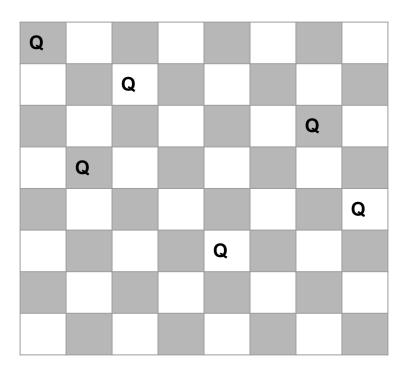


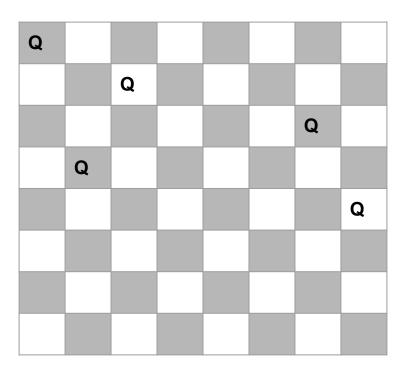


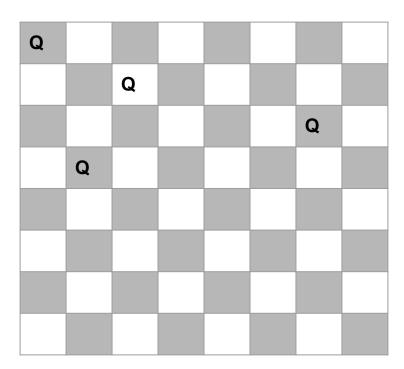


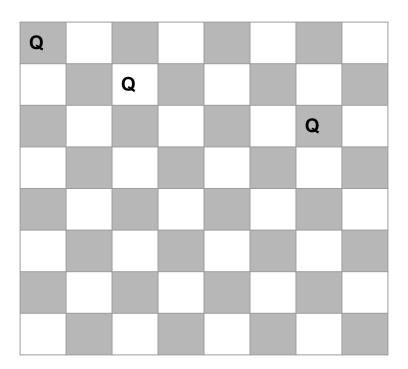


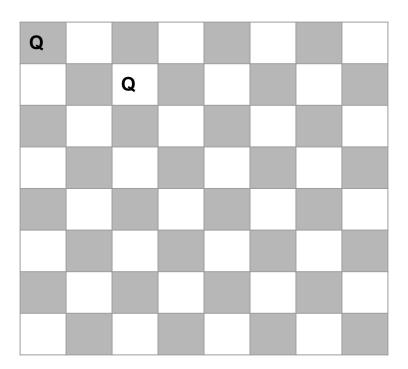


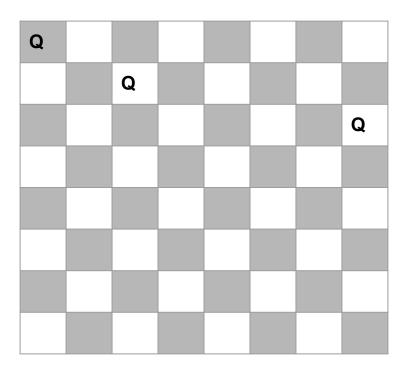


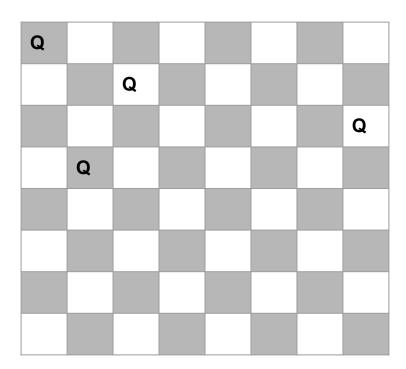


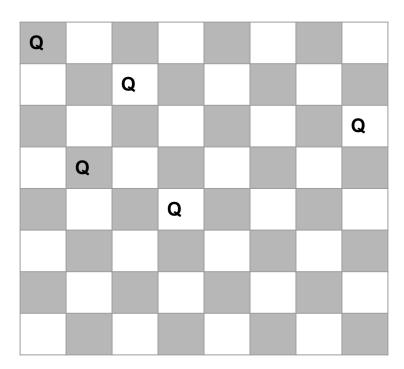


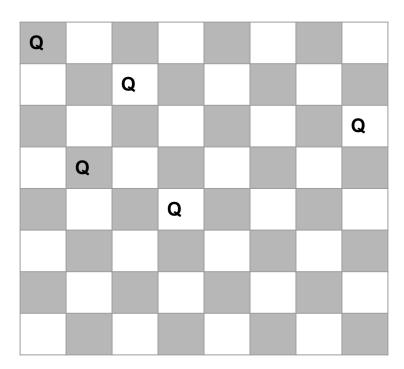


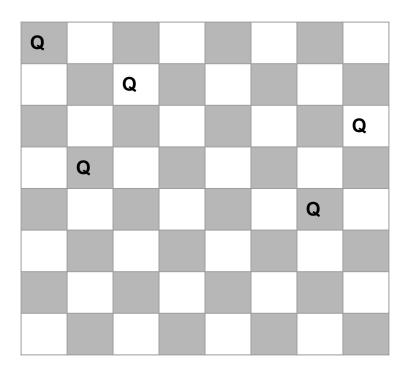


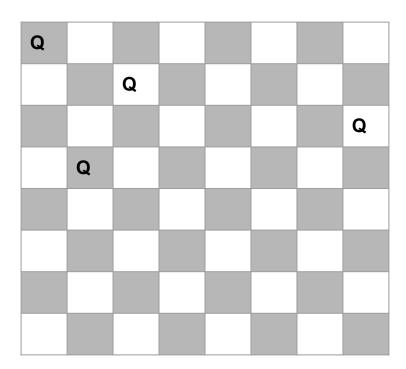


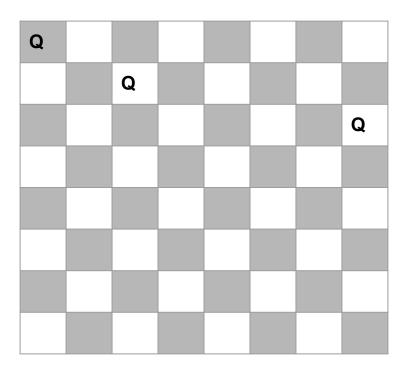


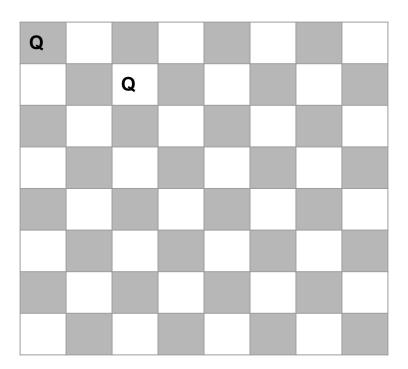


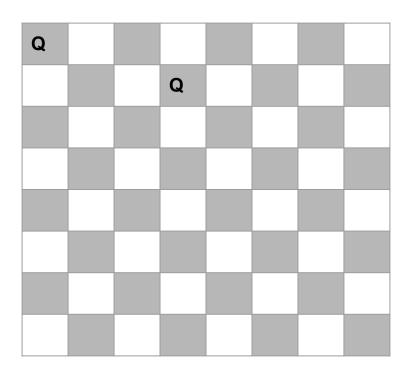


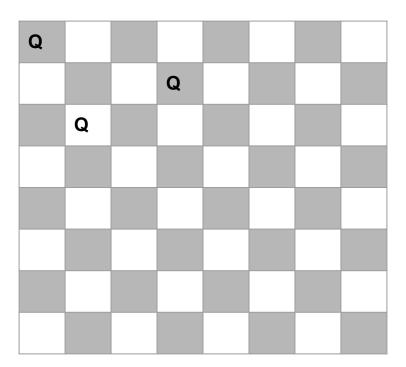


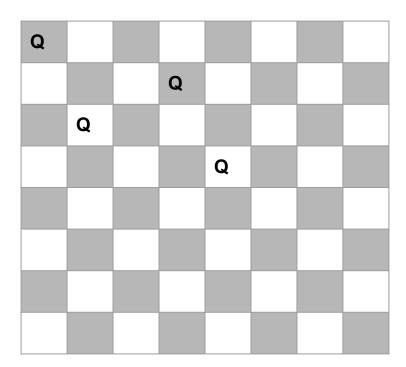


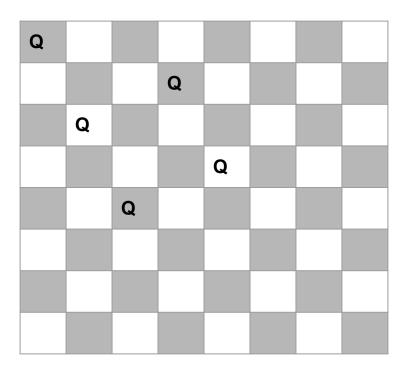


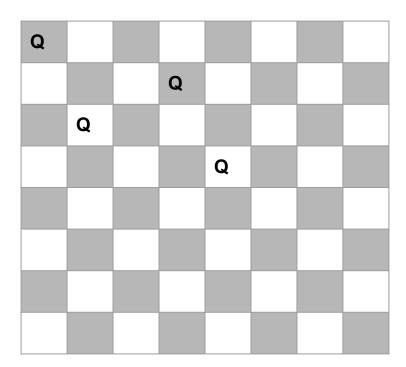


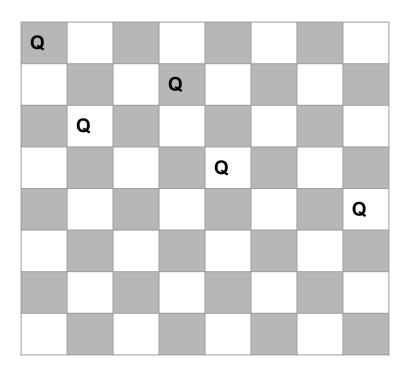


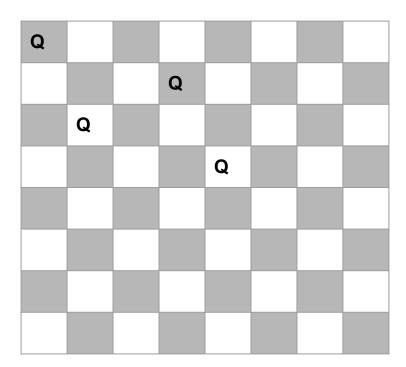


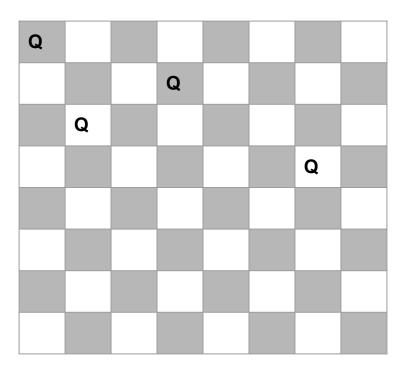


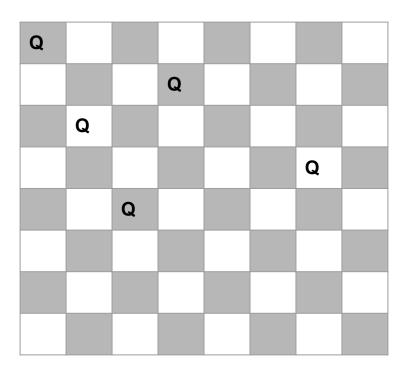


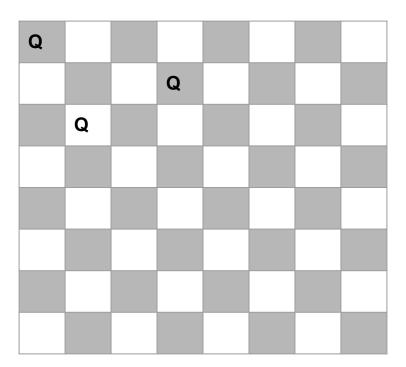


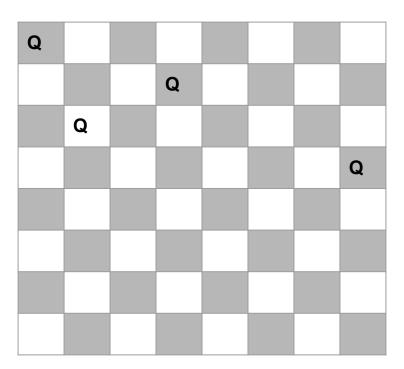


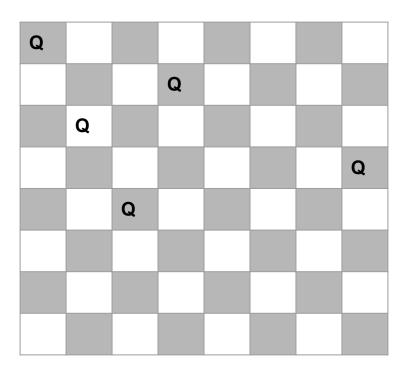


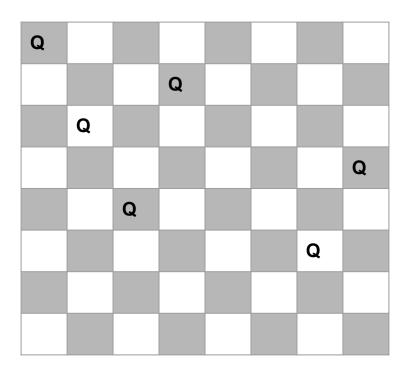


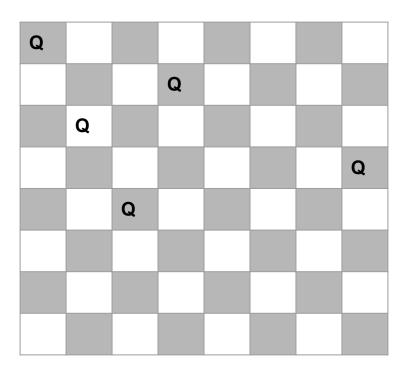


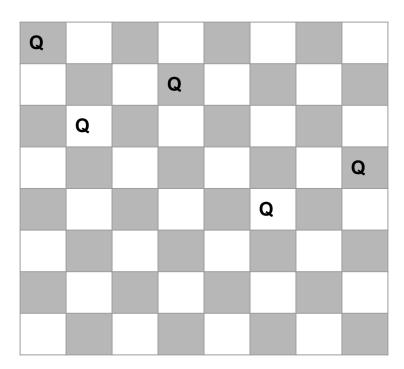


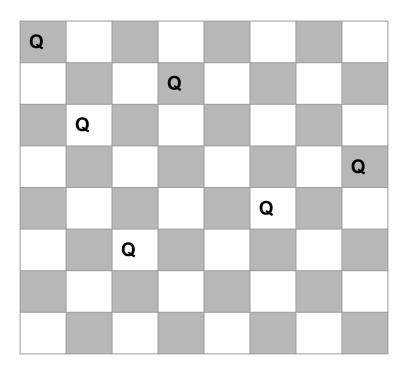


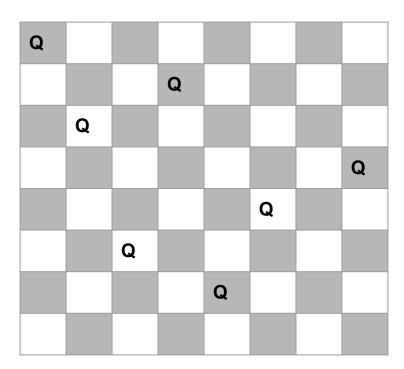


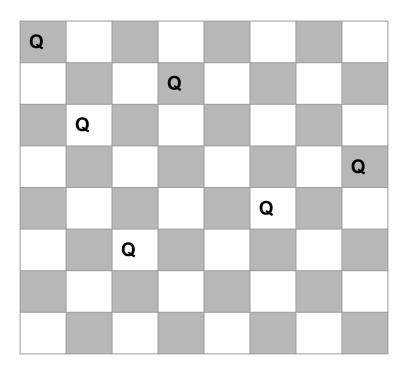


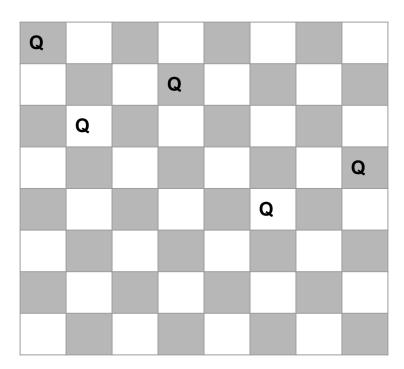


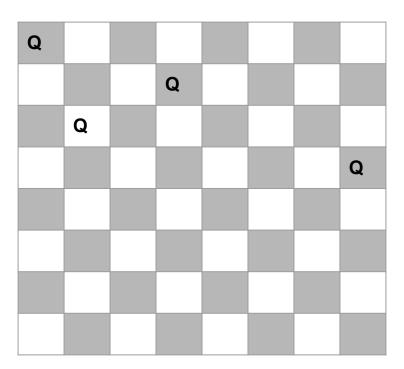


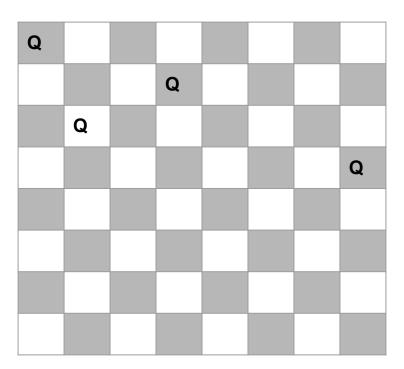


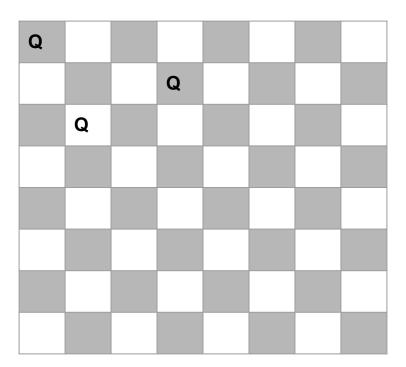


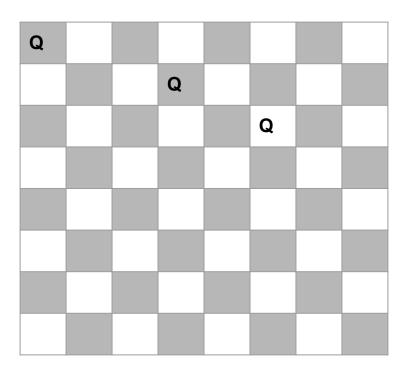


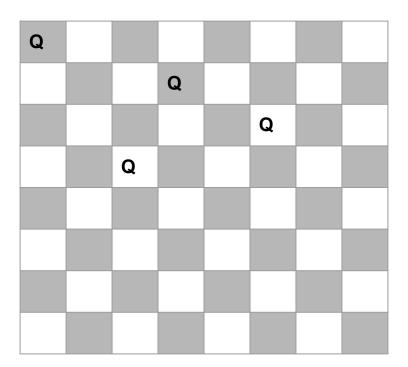


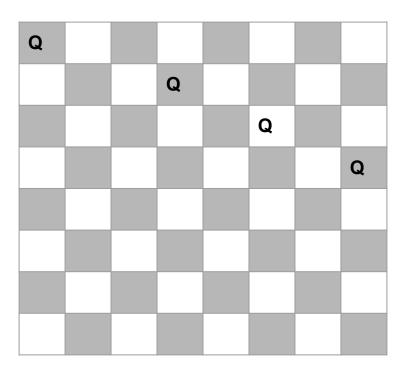


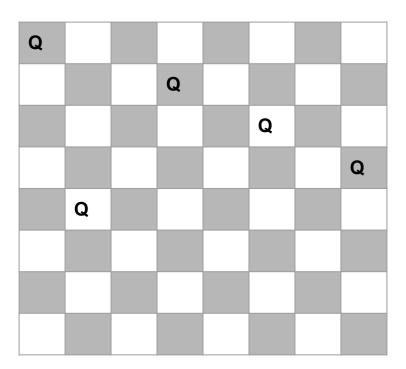


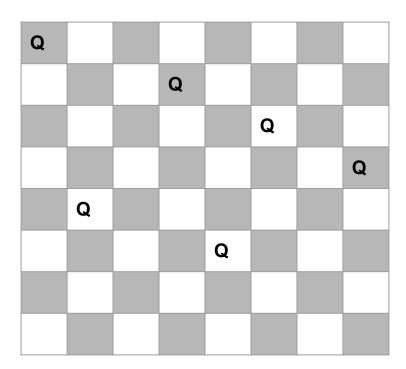


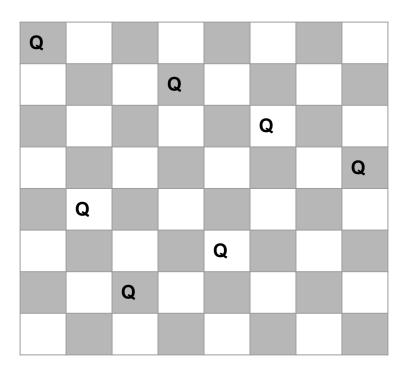


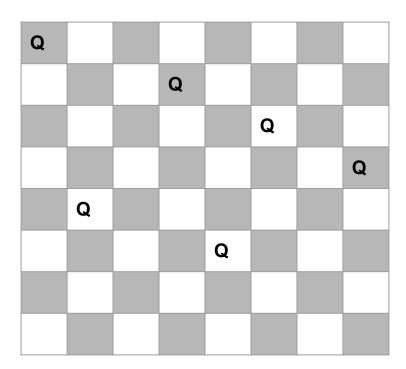


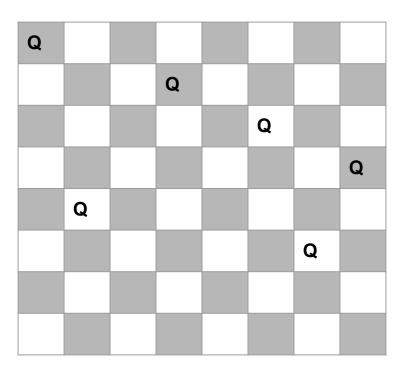


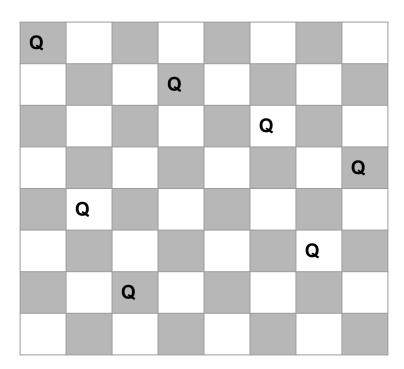


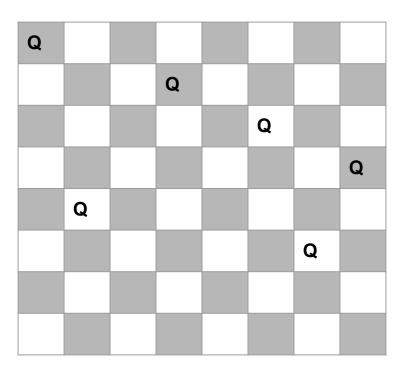


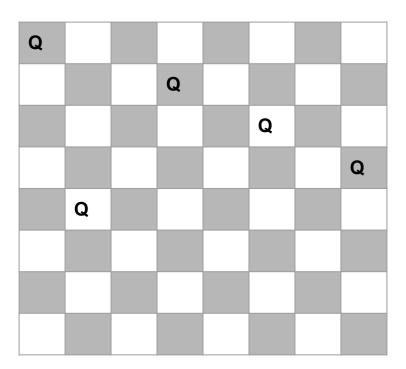


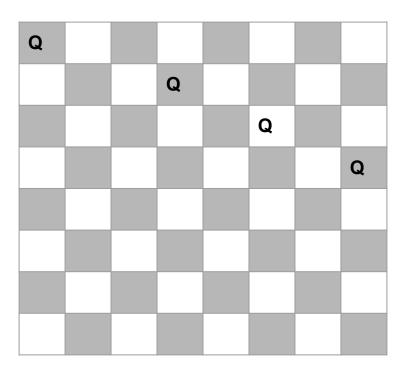


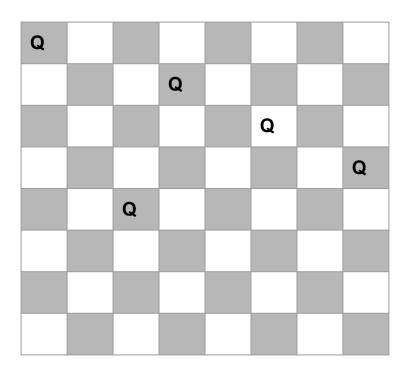


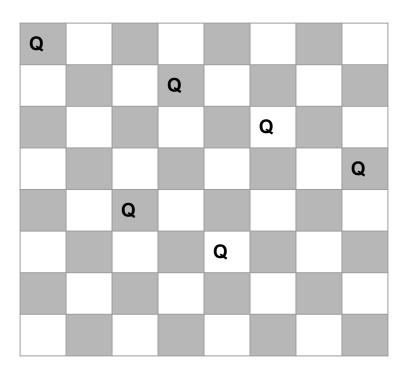


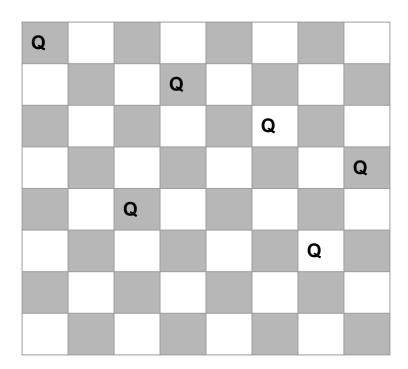


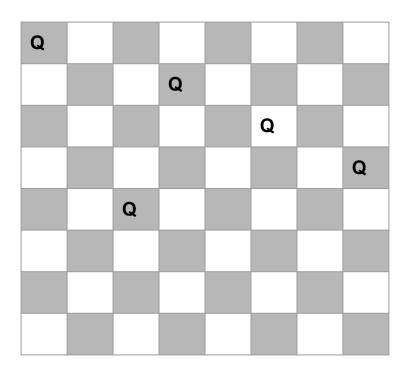


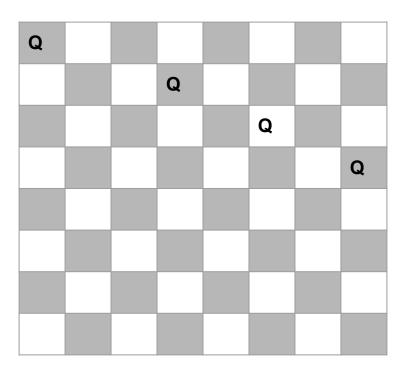


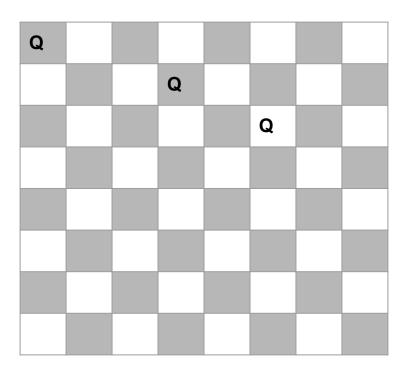


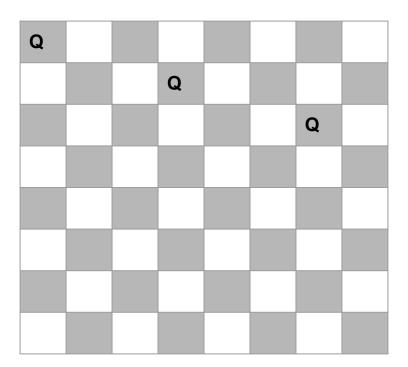


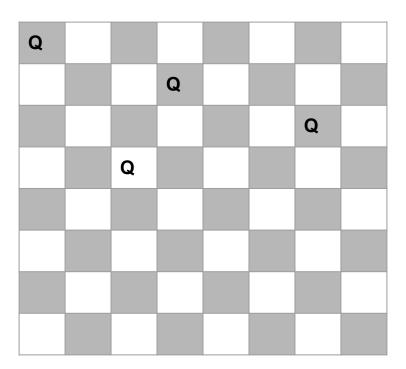


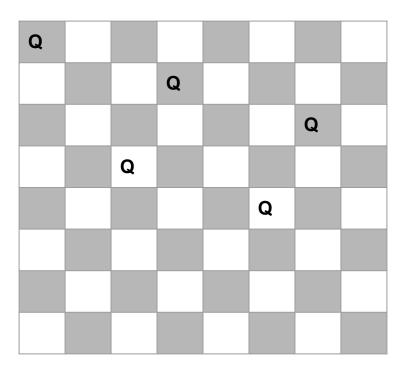


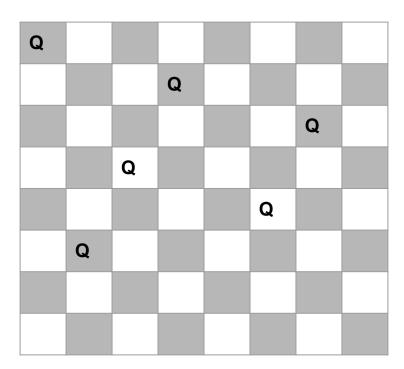


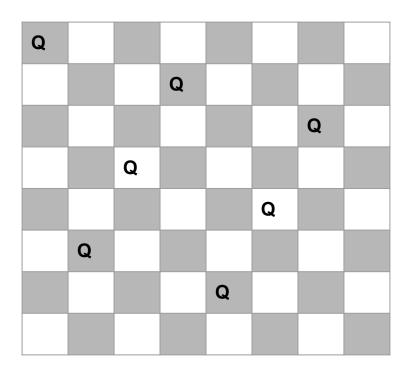


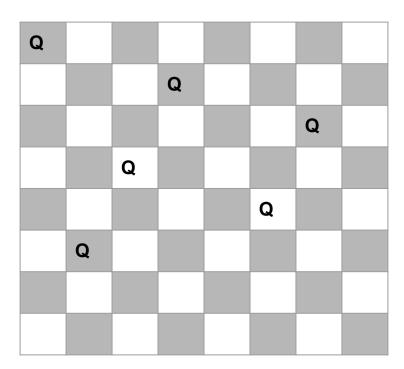


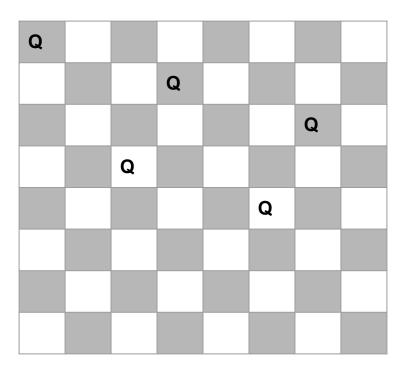


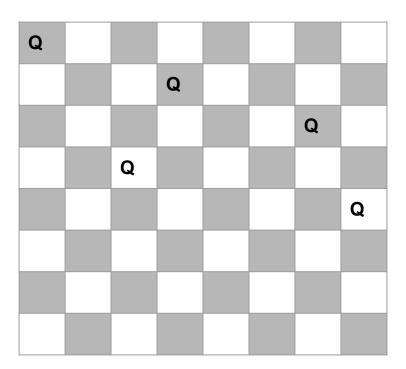


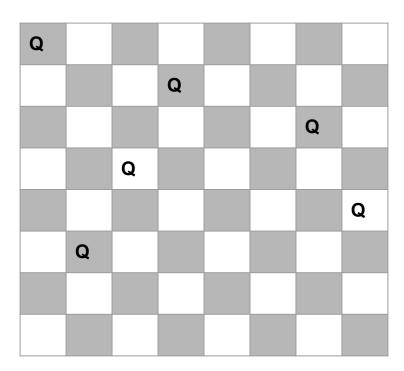


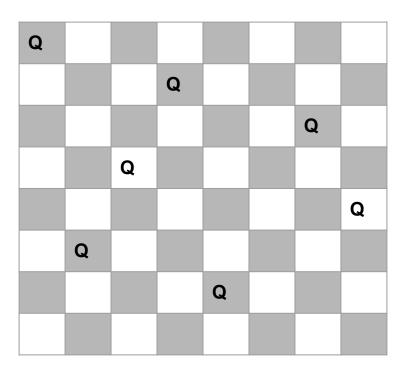


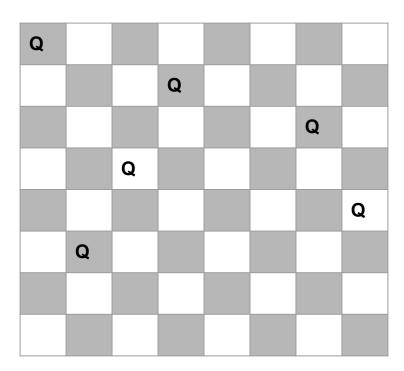


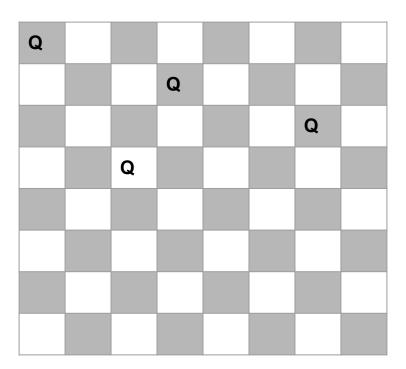


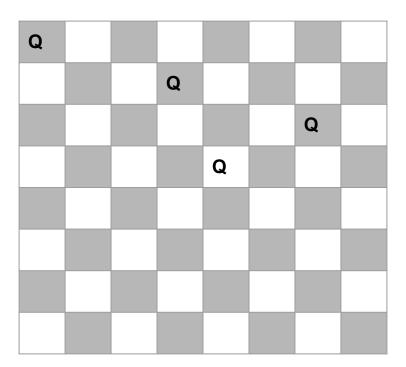


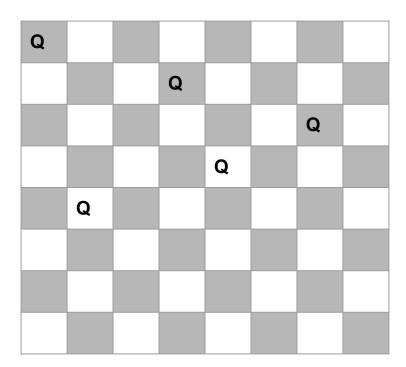


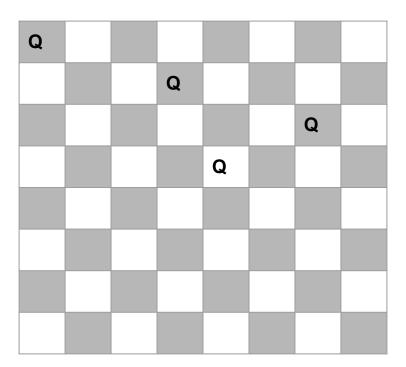


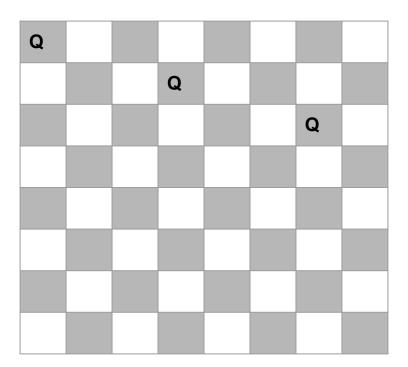


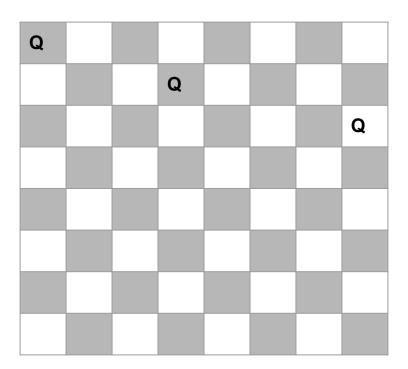


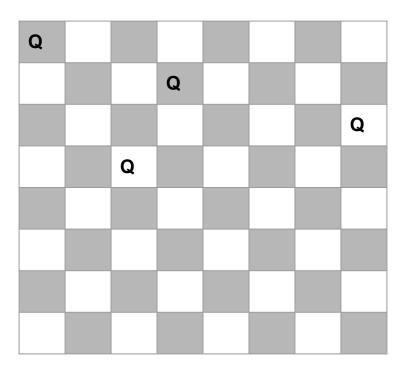


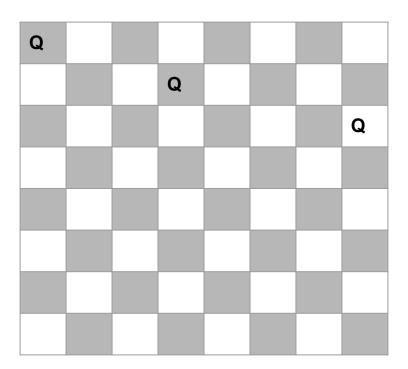


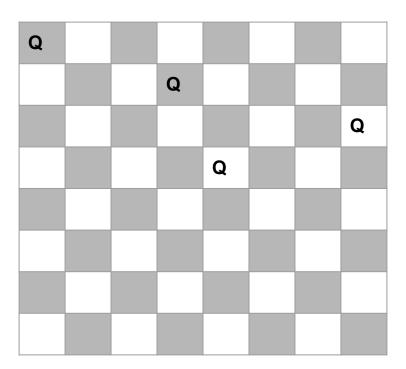


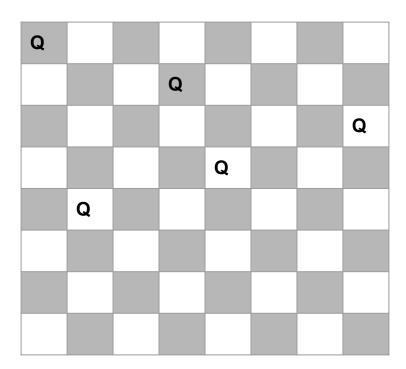


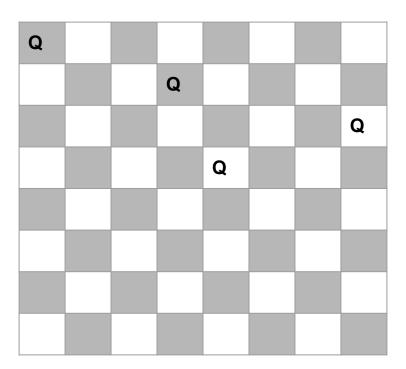


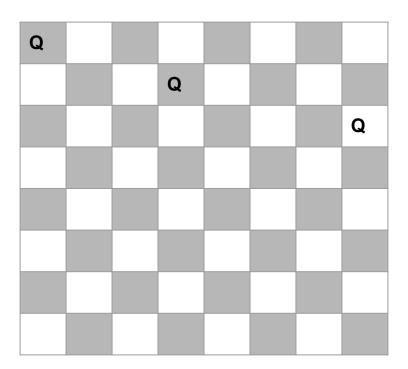


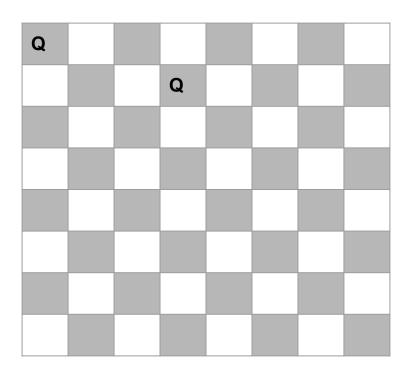


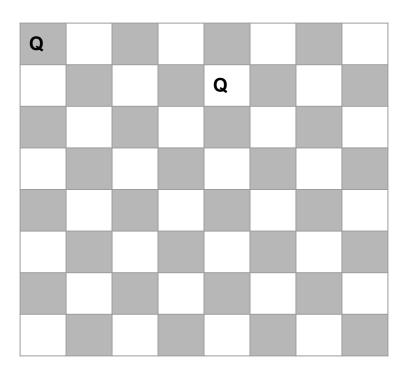


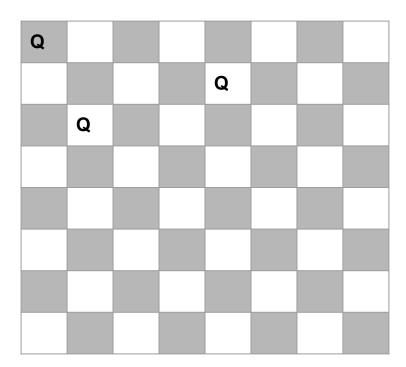


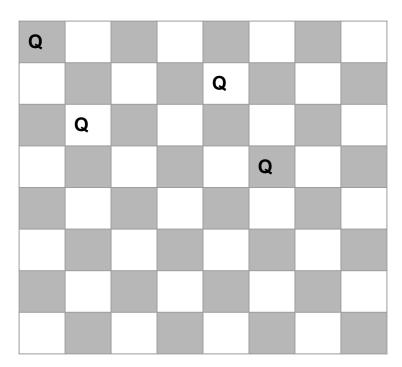


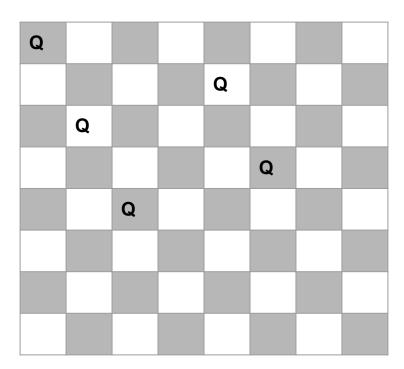


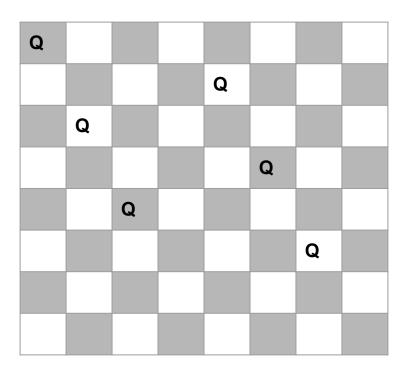


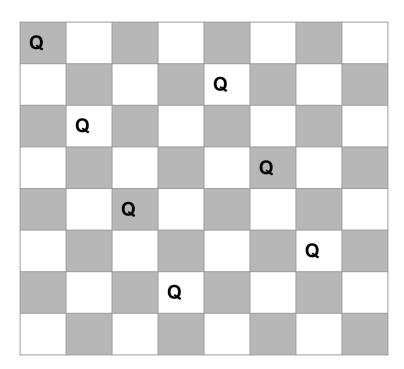


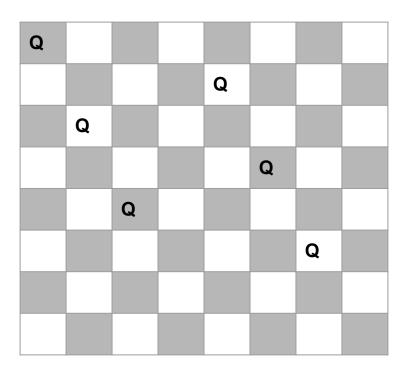


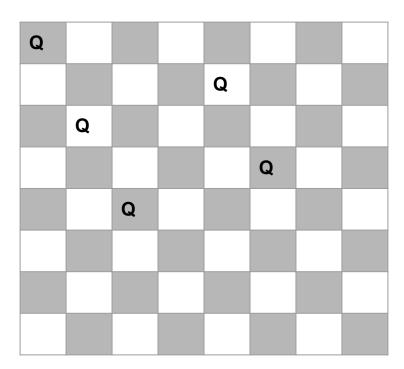


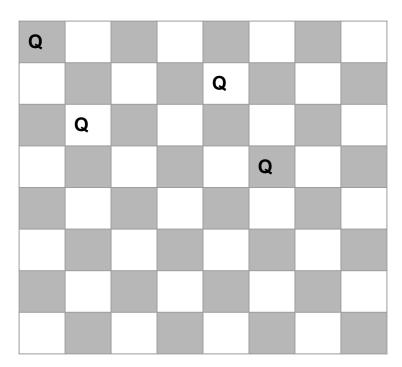


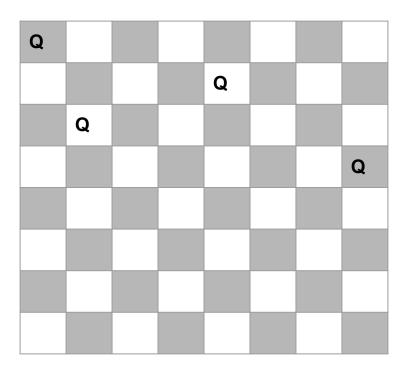


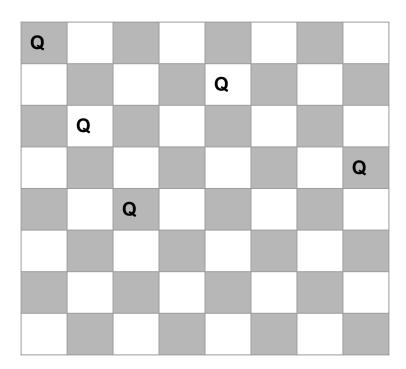


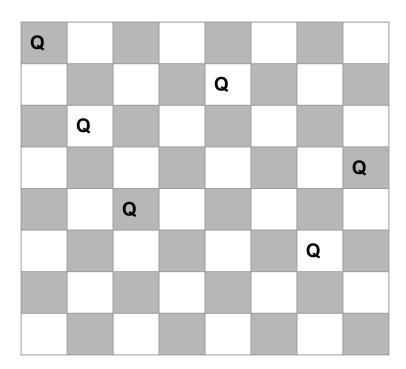


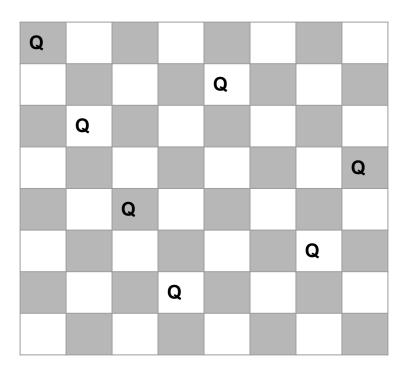


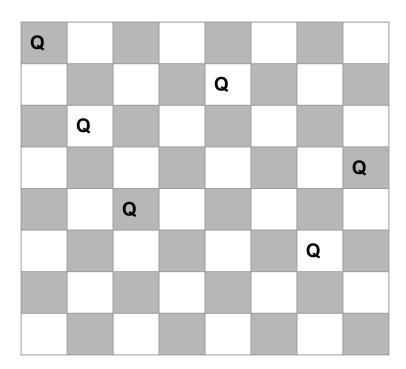


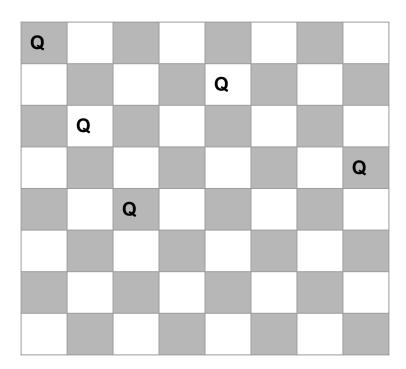


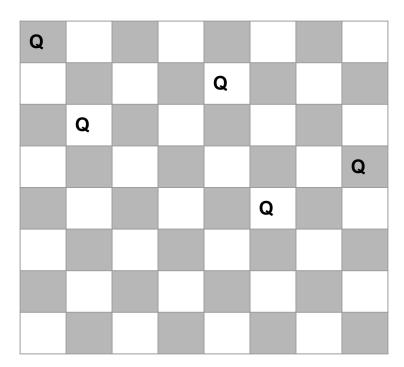


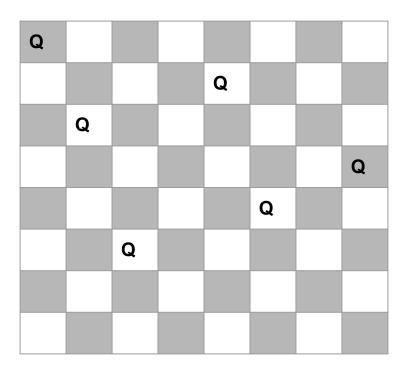


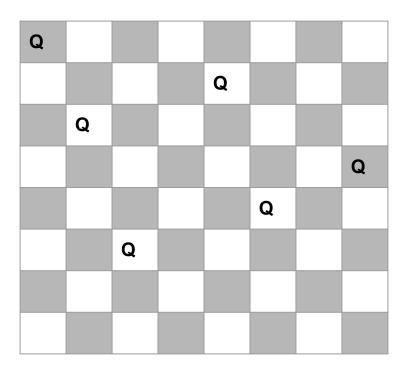


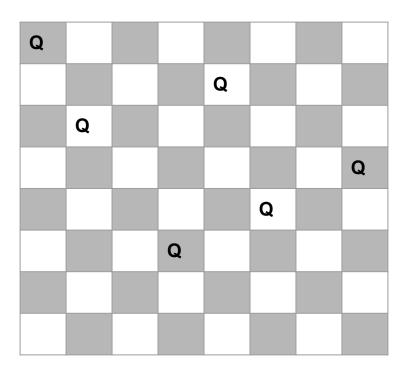


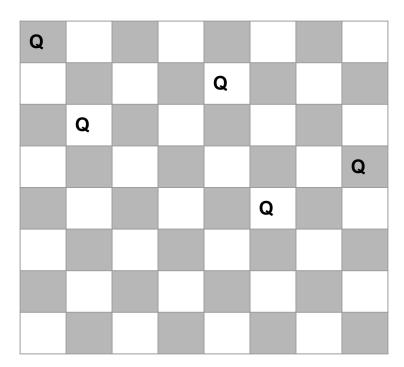


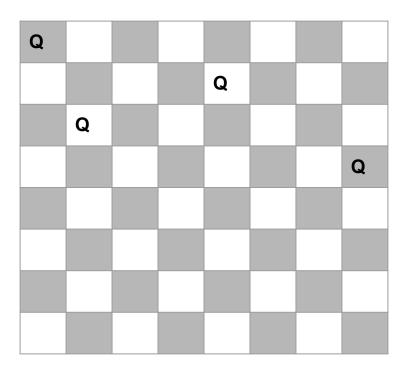


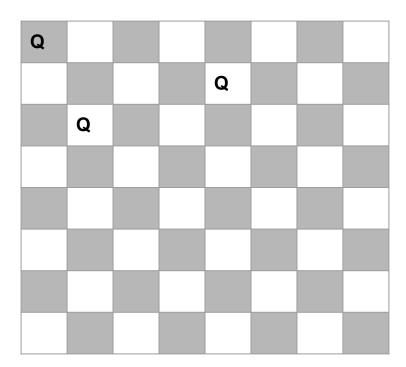


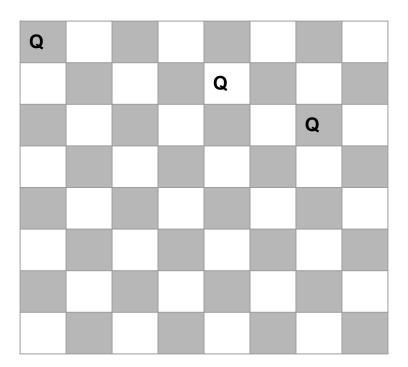


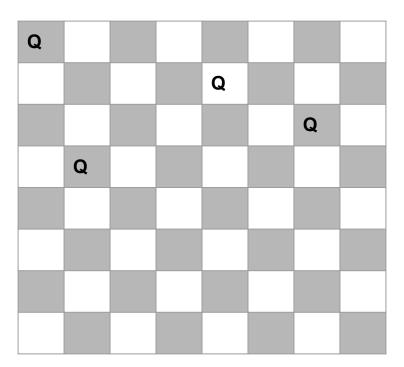


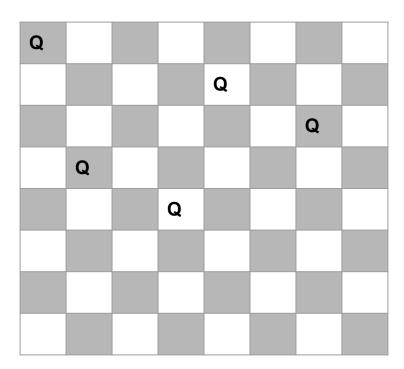


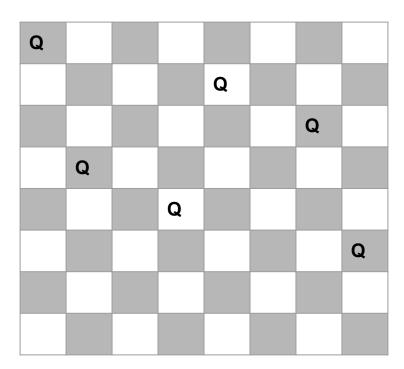


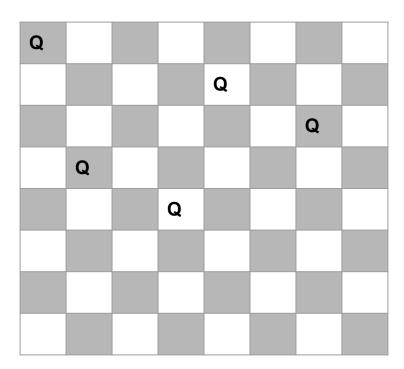


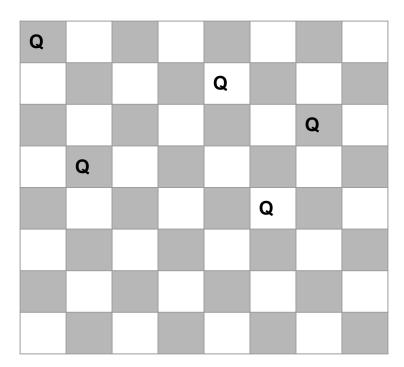


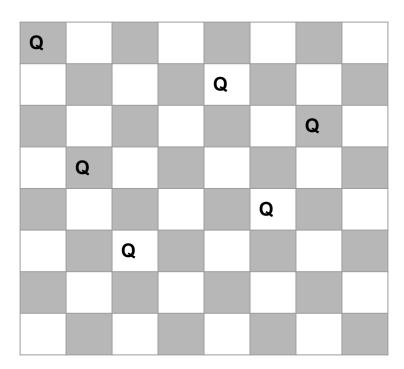


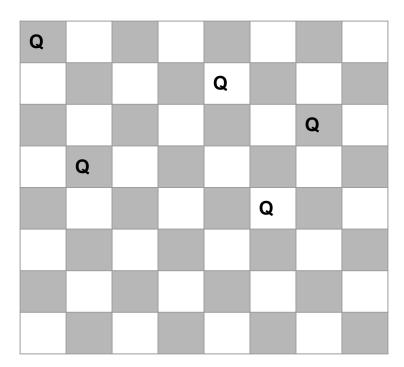


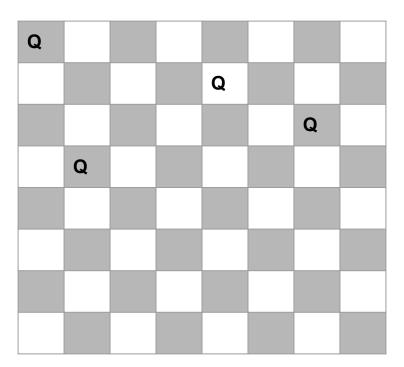


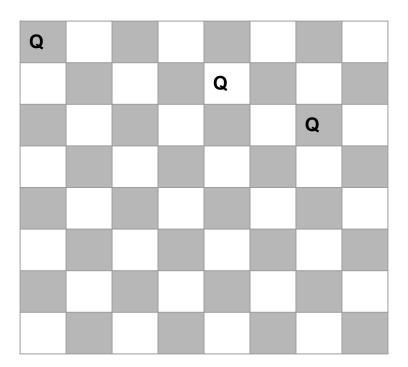


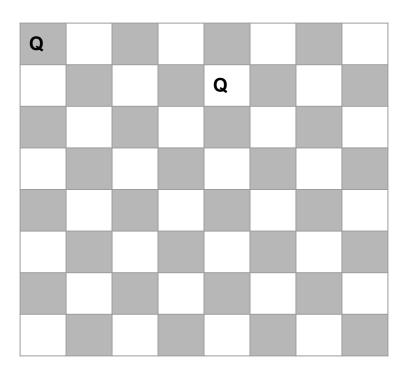


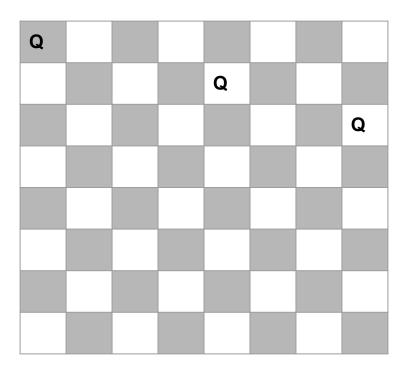


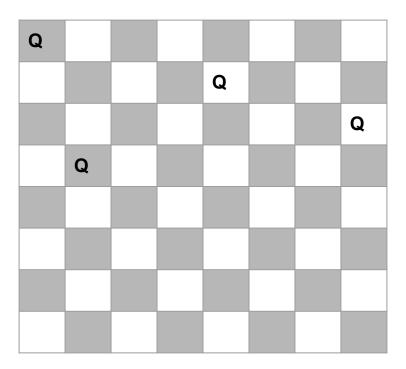


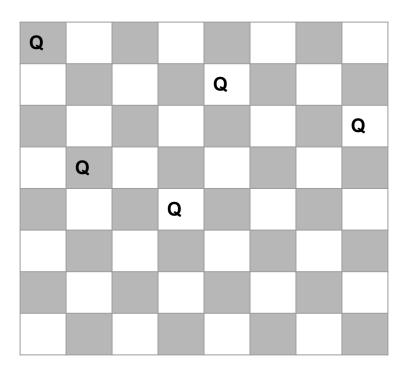


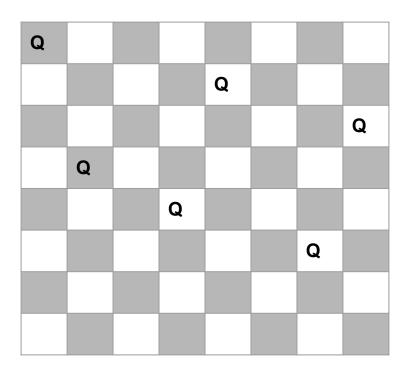


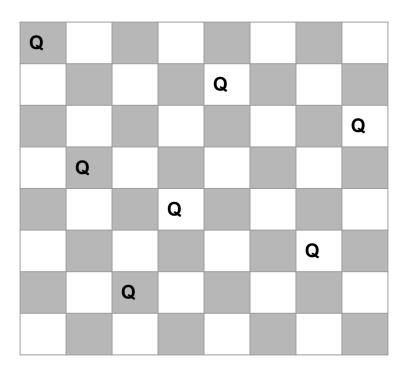


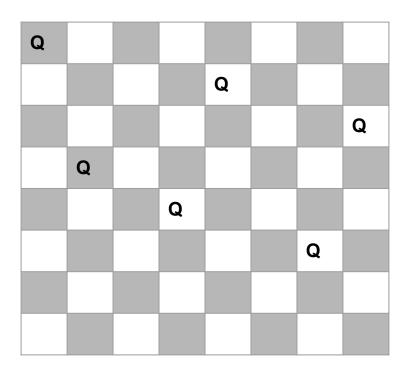


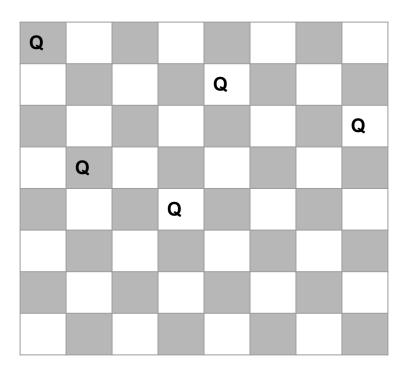


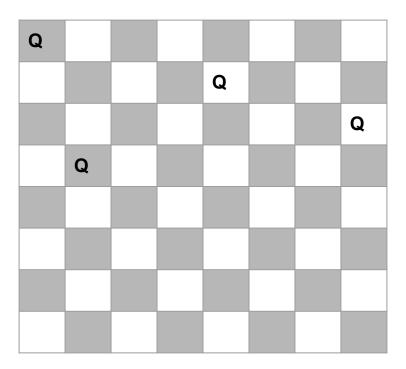


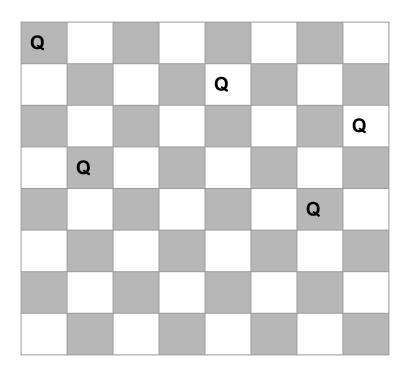


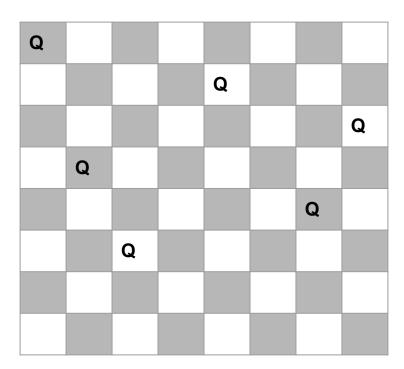


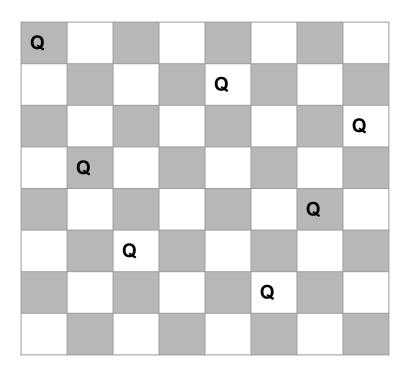


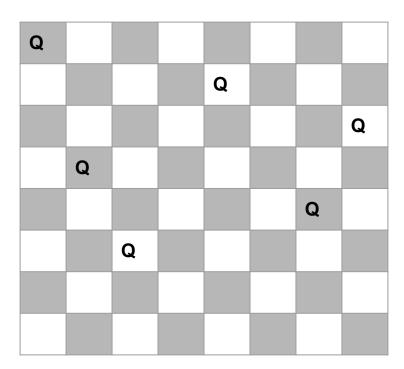


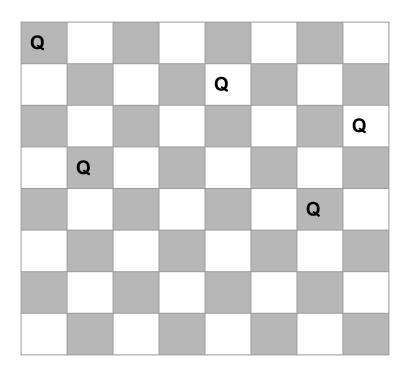


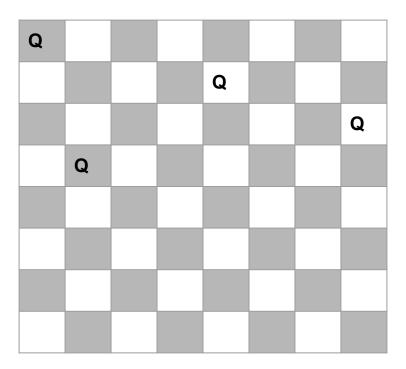


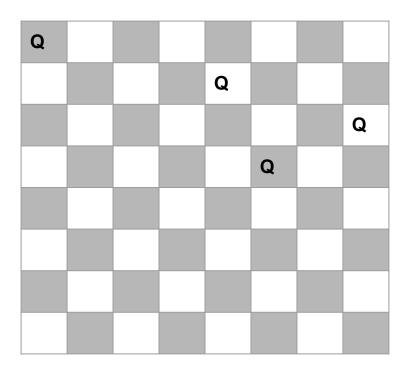


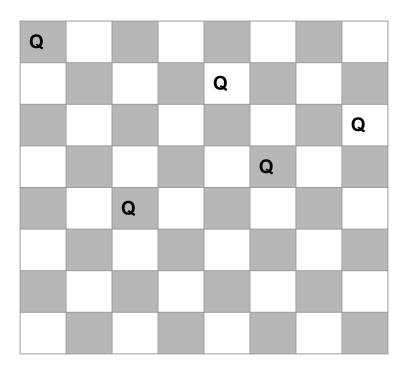


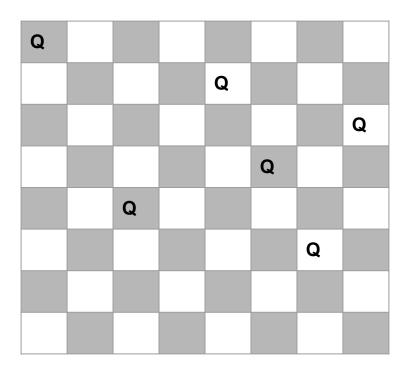


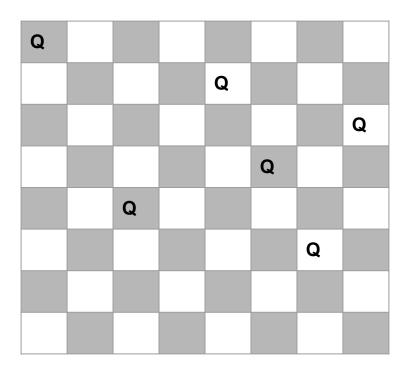


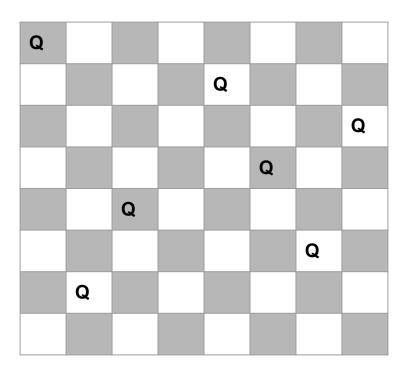


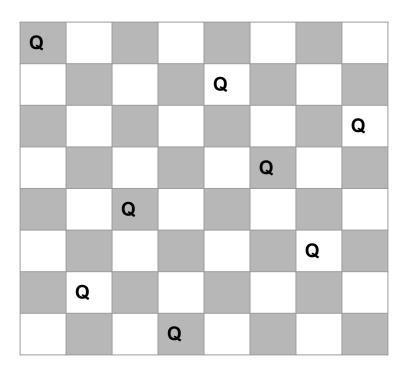


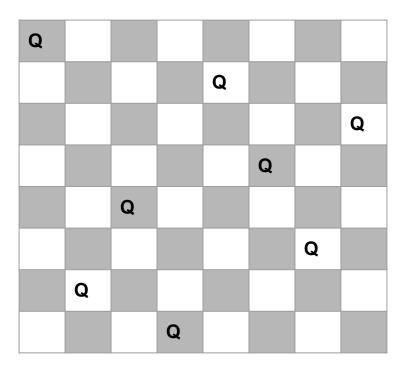


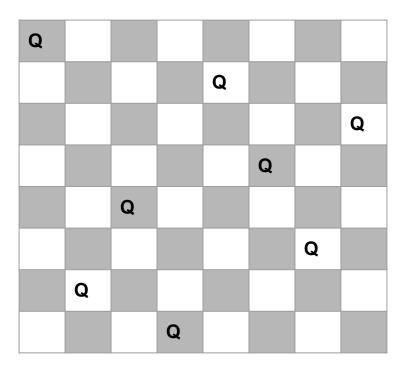


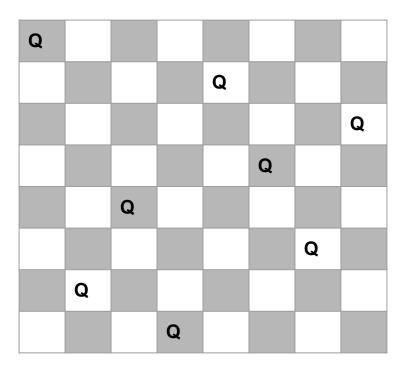


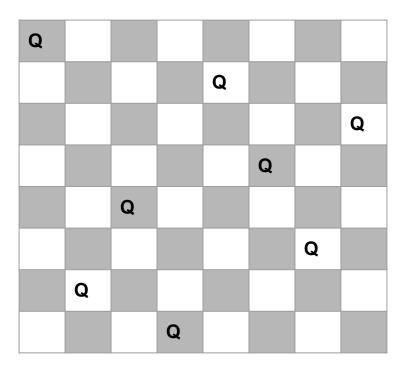












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- Get and Set Queens on the board
- Is a location valid
- Search for one solution first
- Find all solutions
- Refine