AI Games course

Certificate 1, session 2

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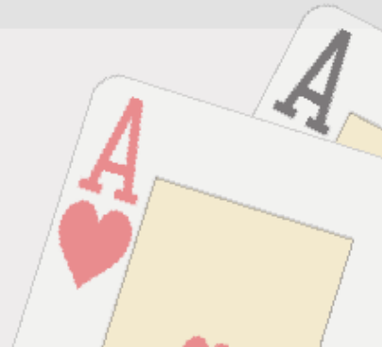
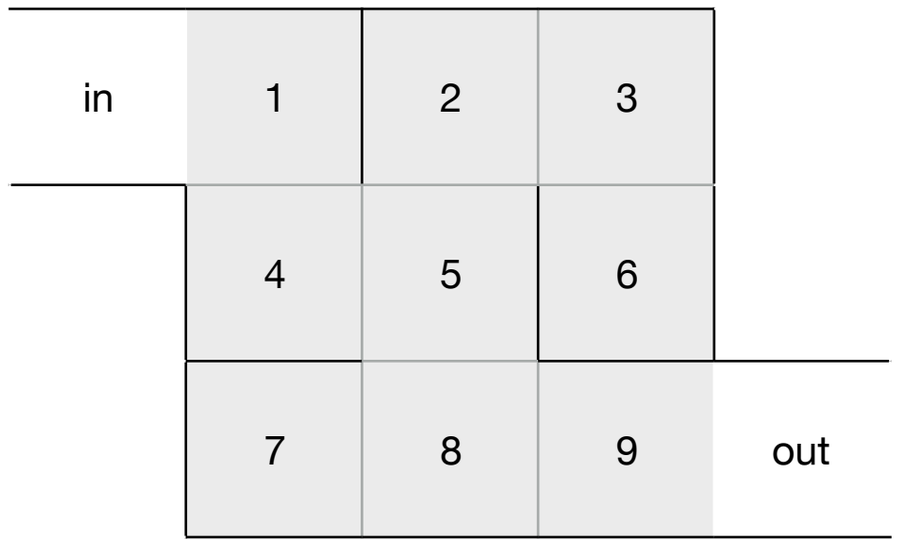


The maze example

in	1	2	3
	4	5	6
	7	8	9
			out

The maze example: graph representation




```
maze = {'in': set([1]),
         1: set(['in',4]),
         2: set([3,5]),
         3: set([2,6]),
         4: set([1,5]),
         5: set([2,4,8]),
         6: set([3]),
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         8: set([5,7,9]),
         9: set([8,'out']),
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```
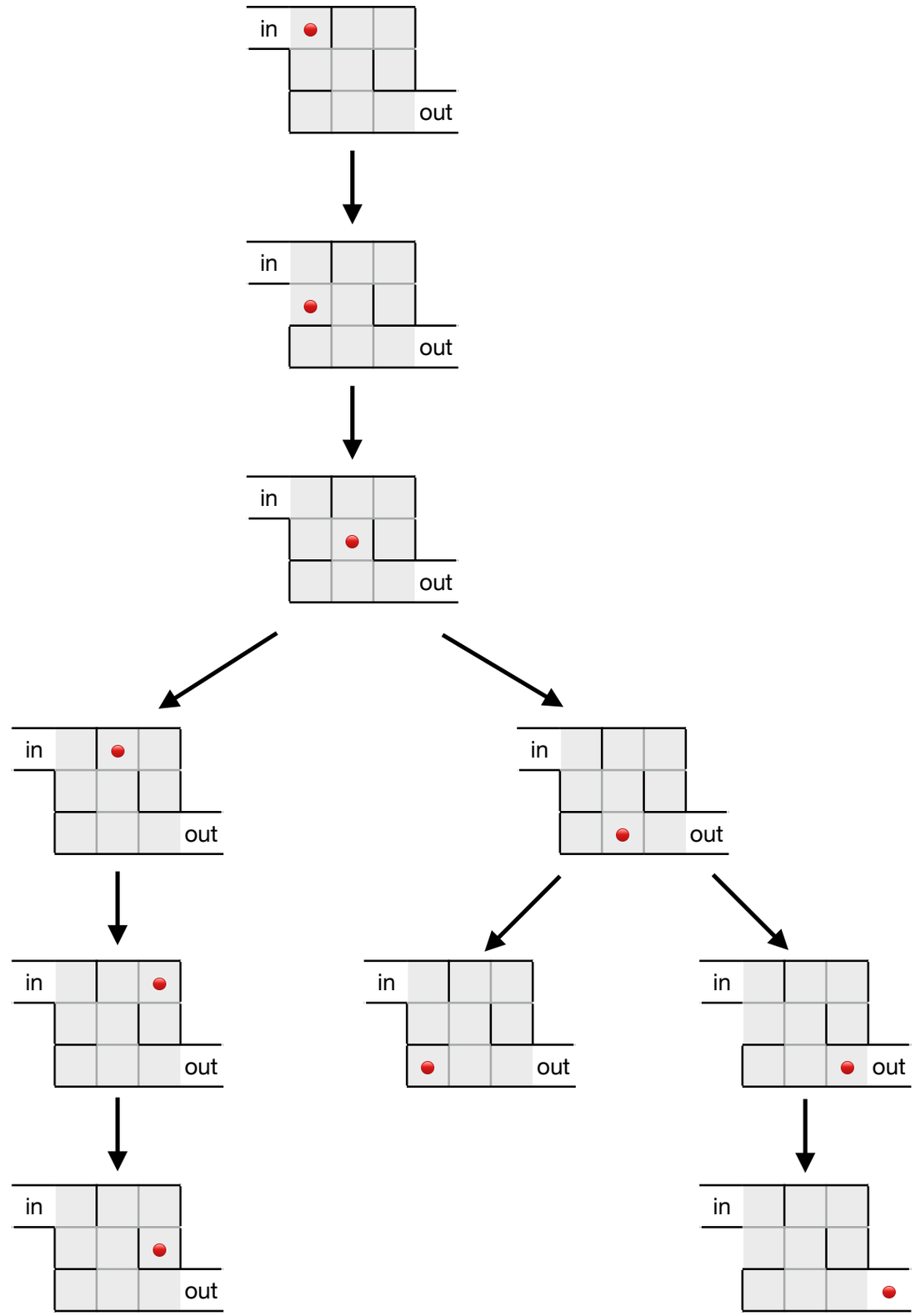
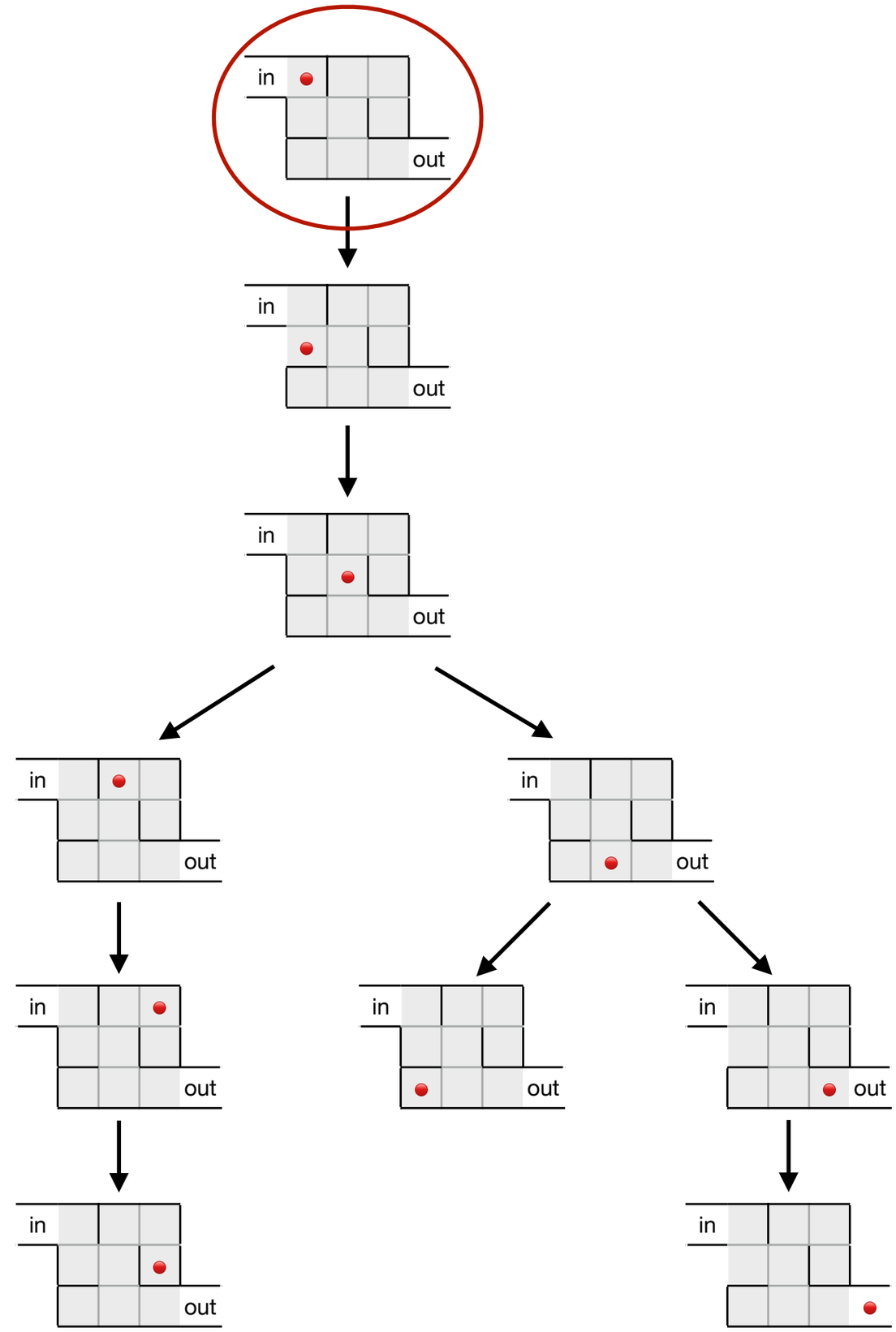
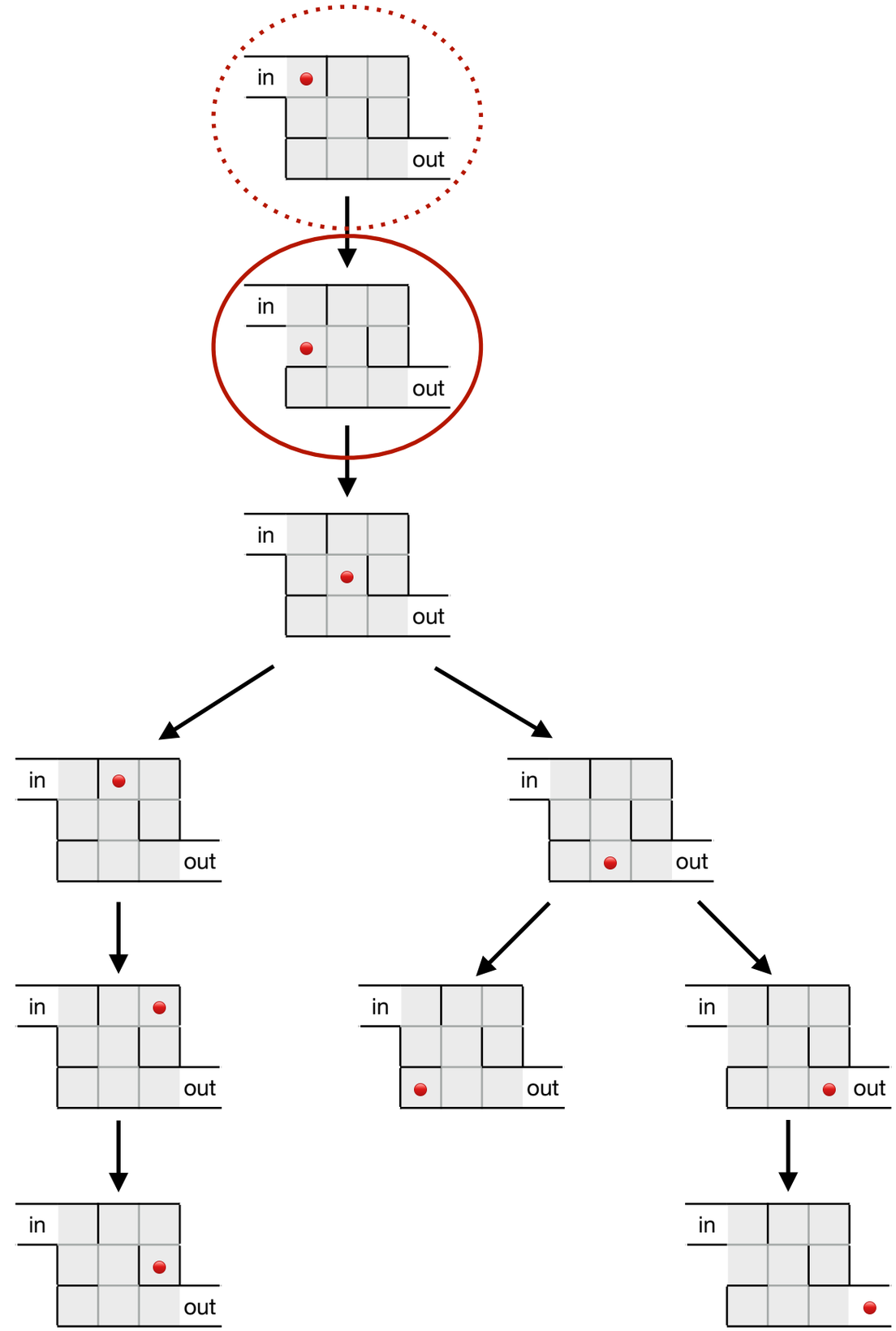
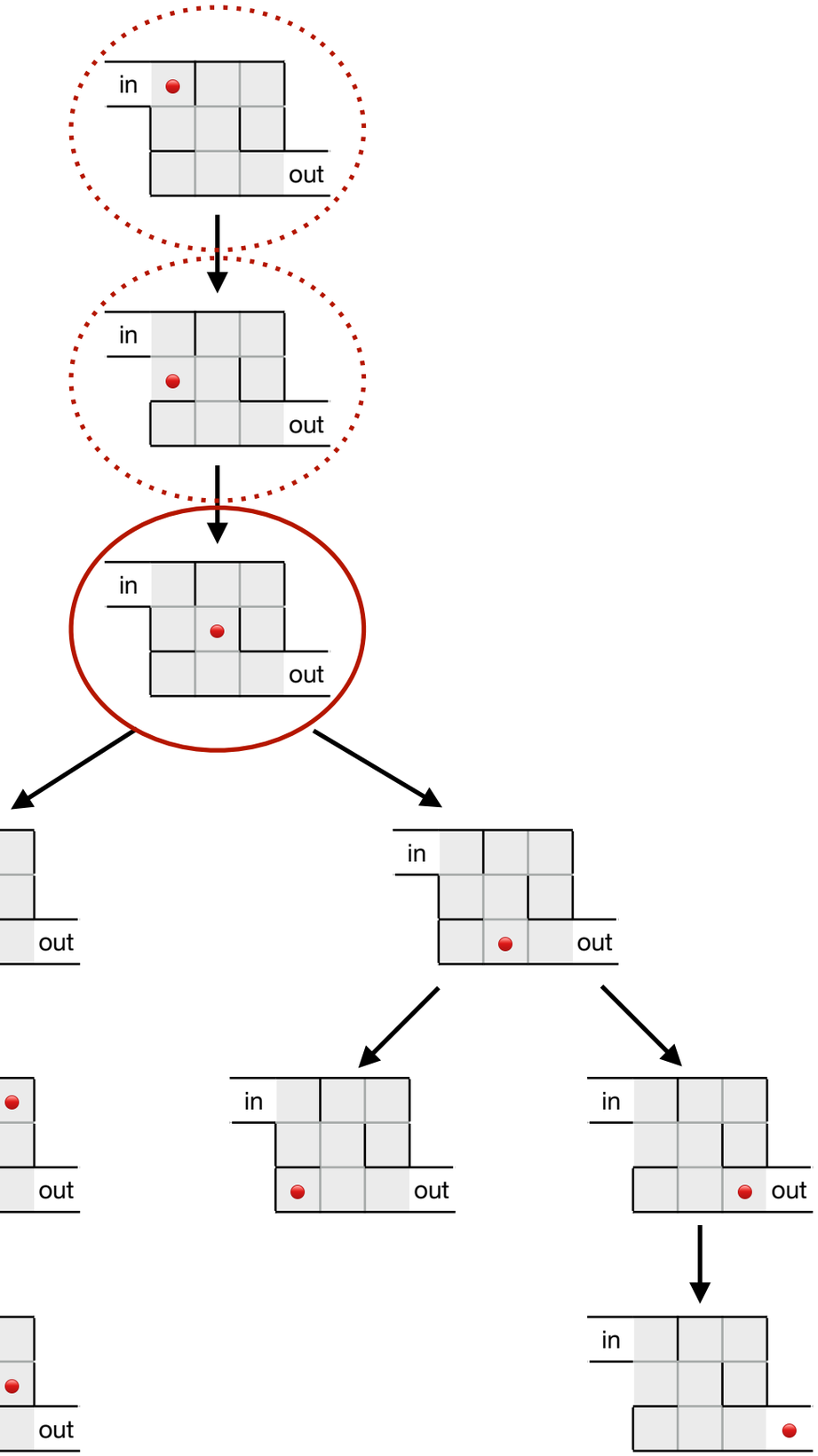

Maze
“space tree”

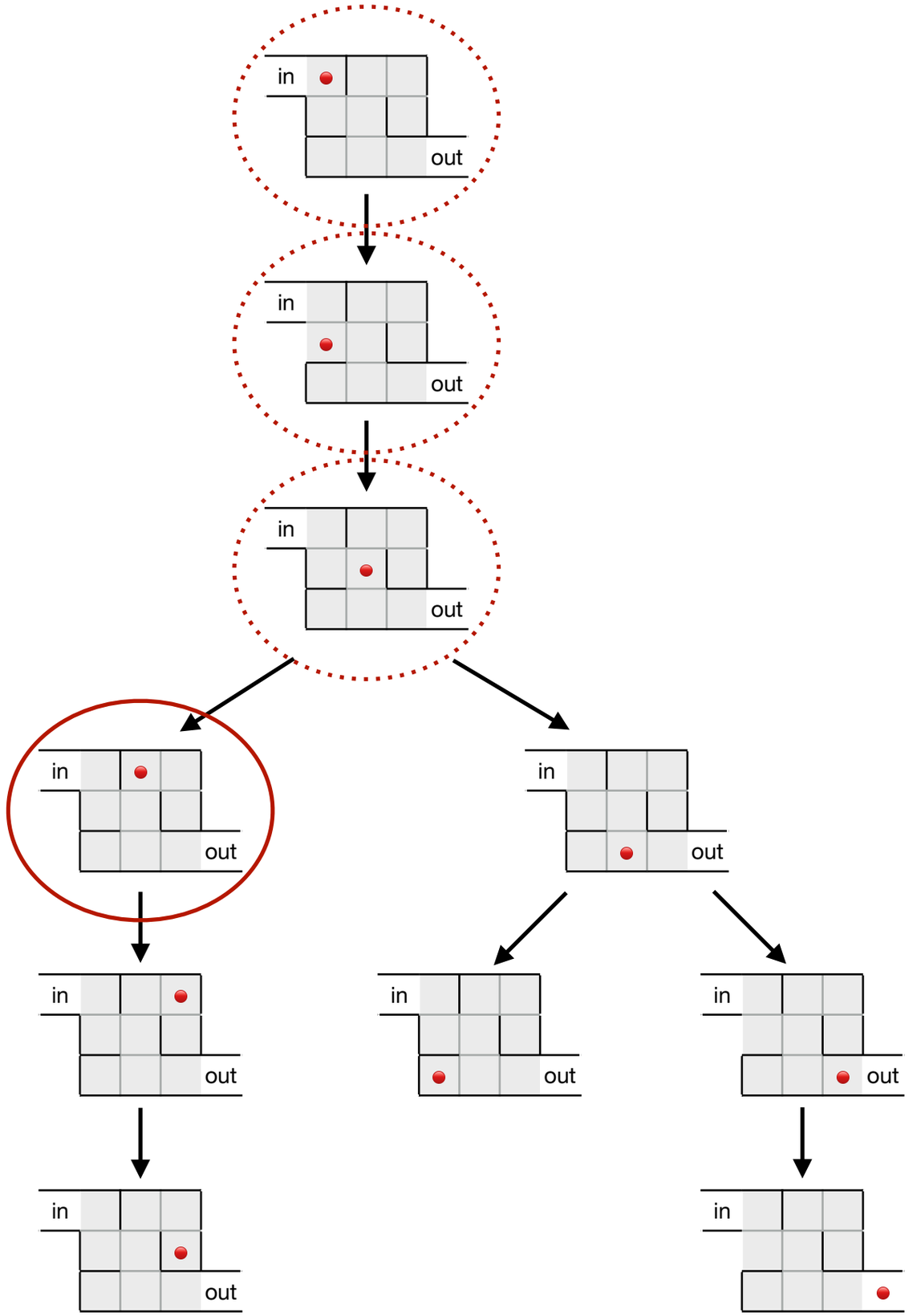


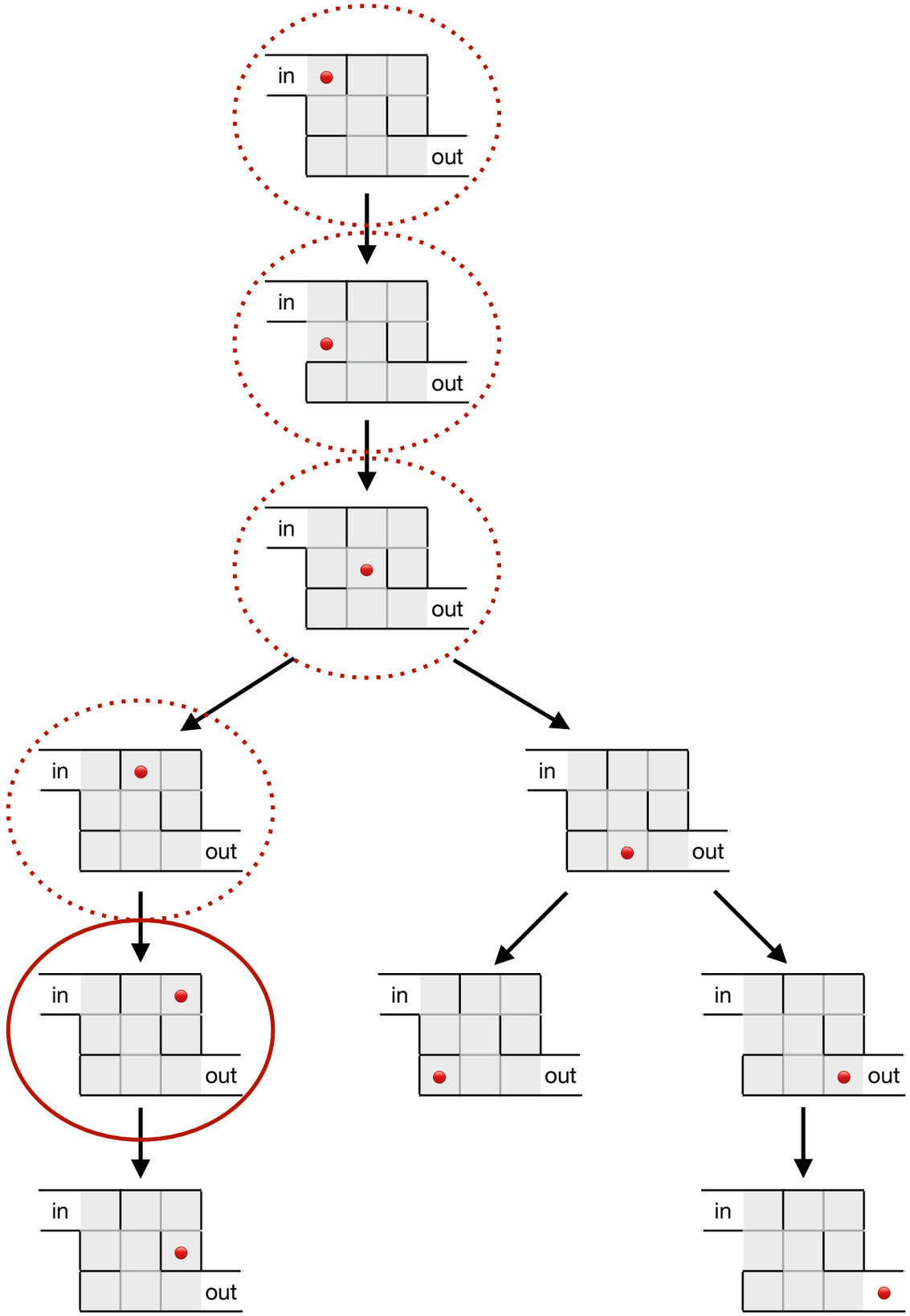
Depth-first search

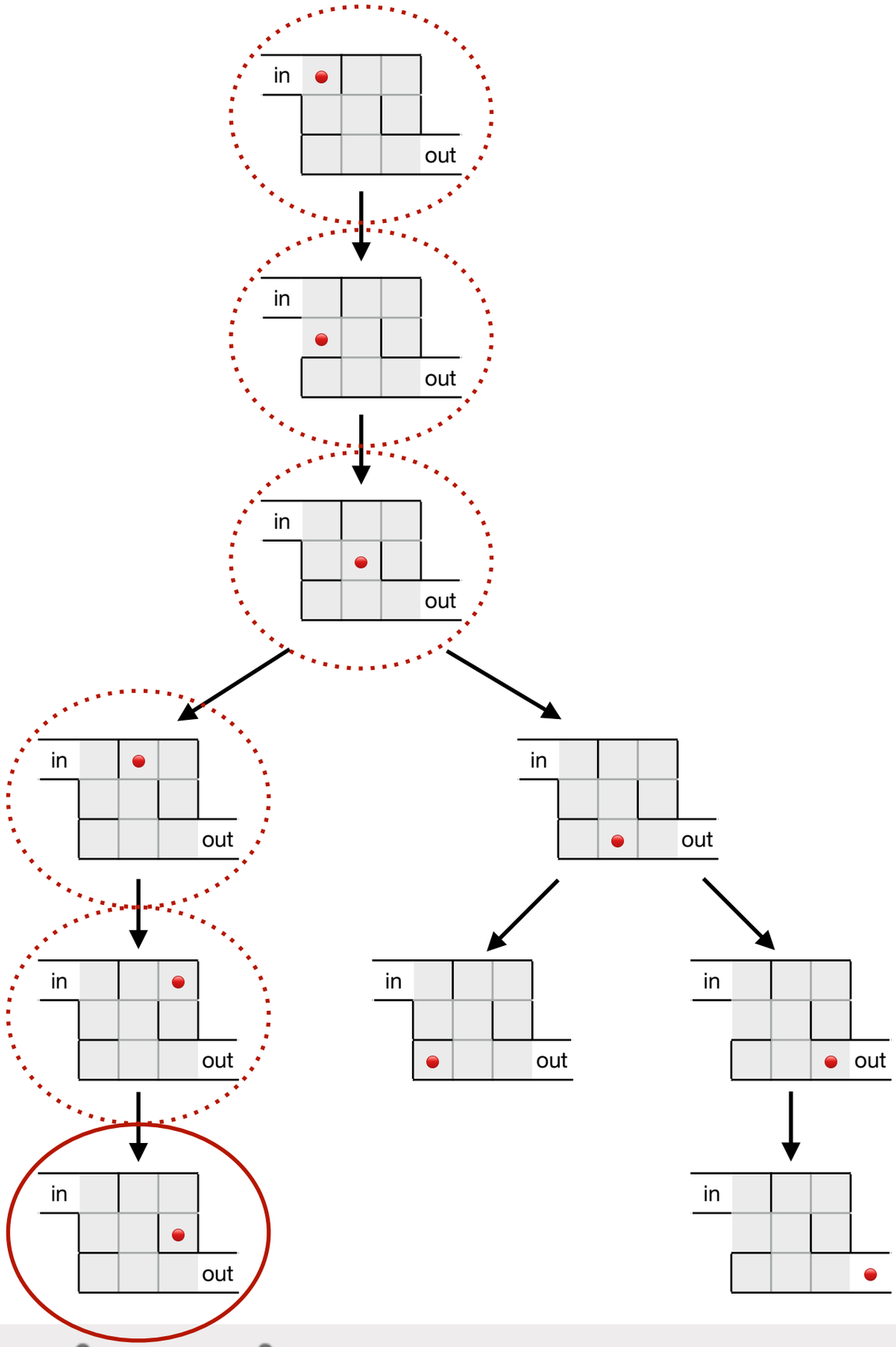


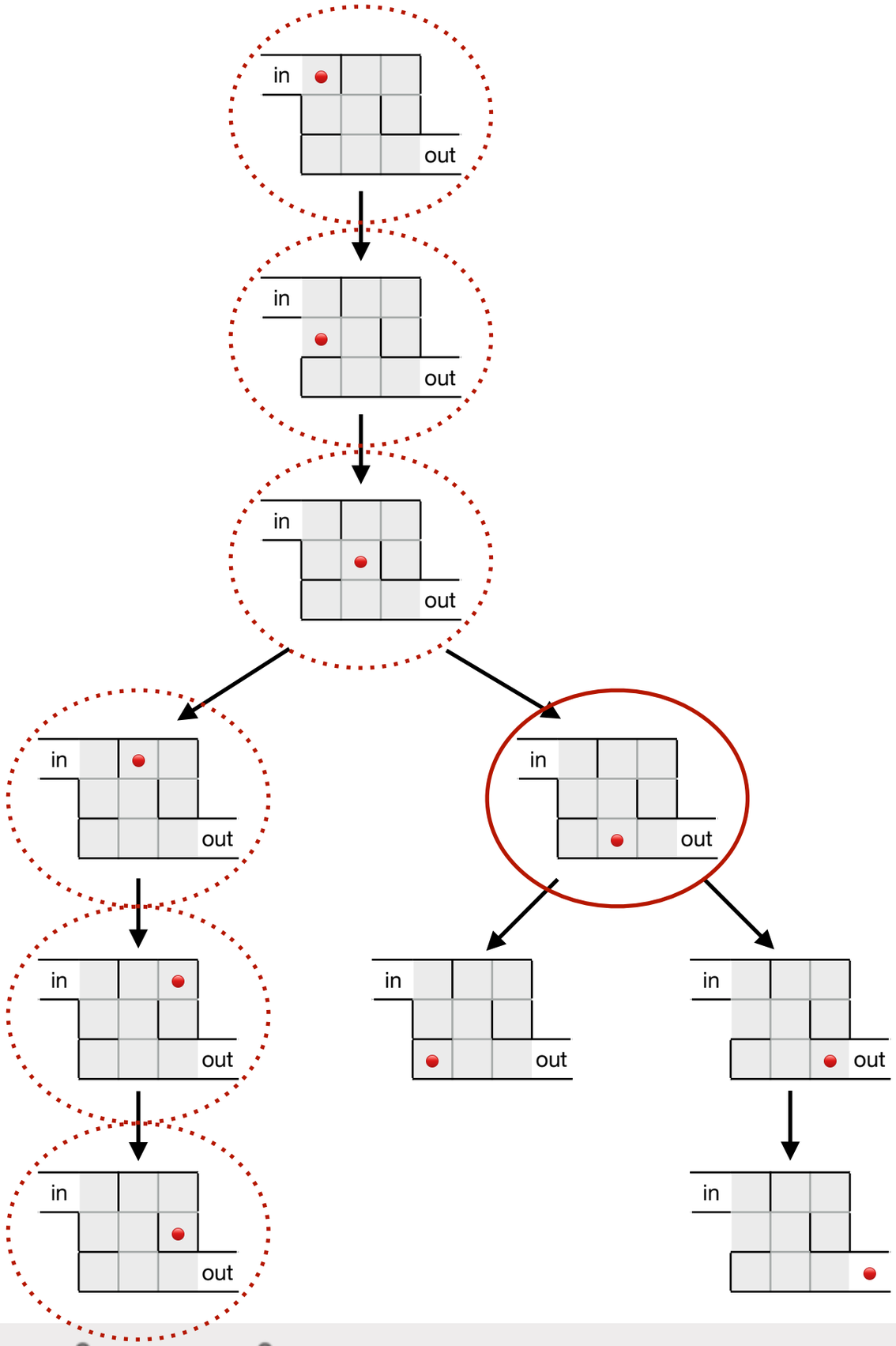


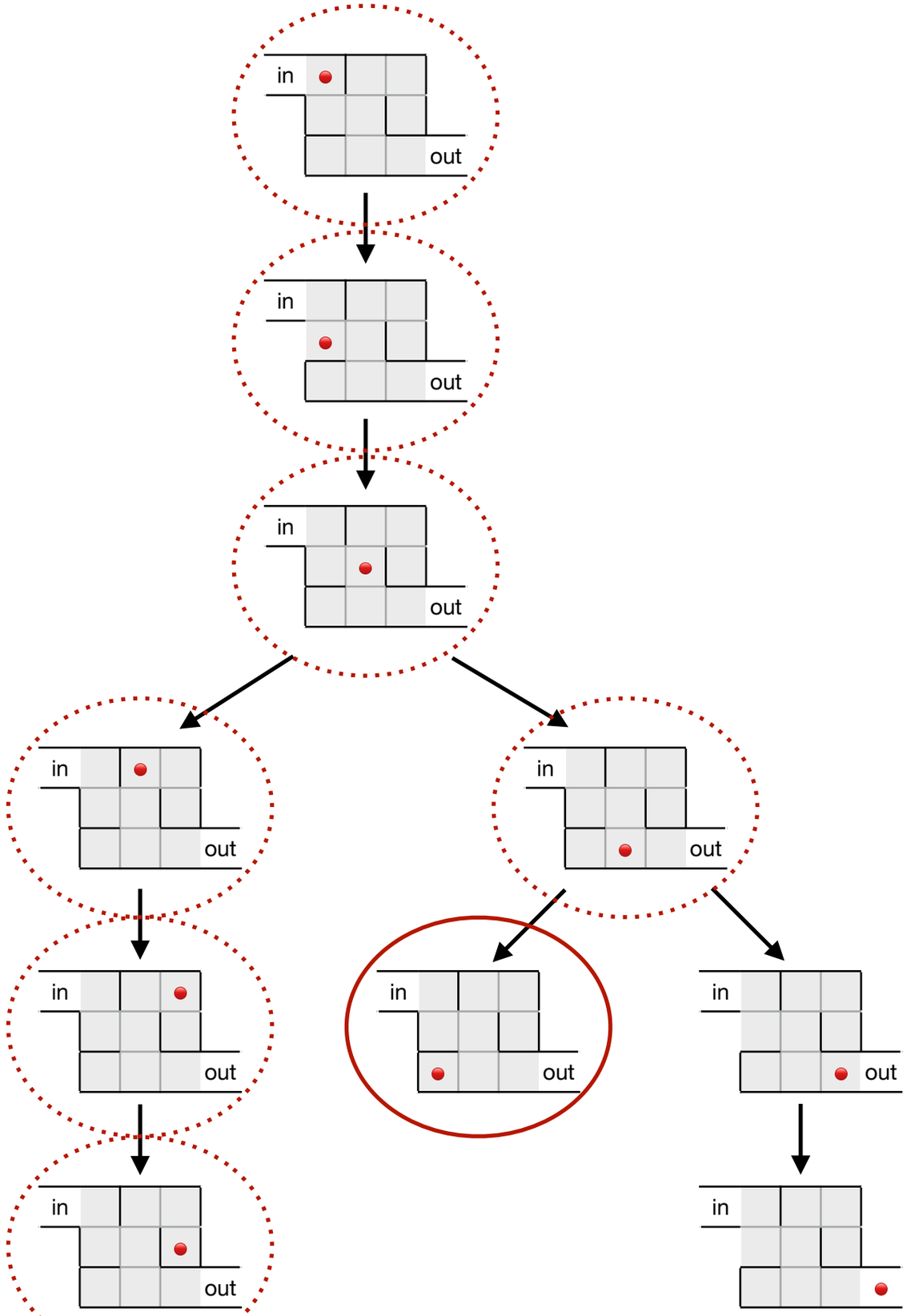


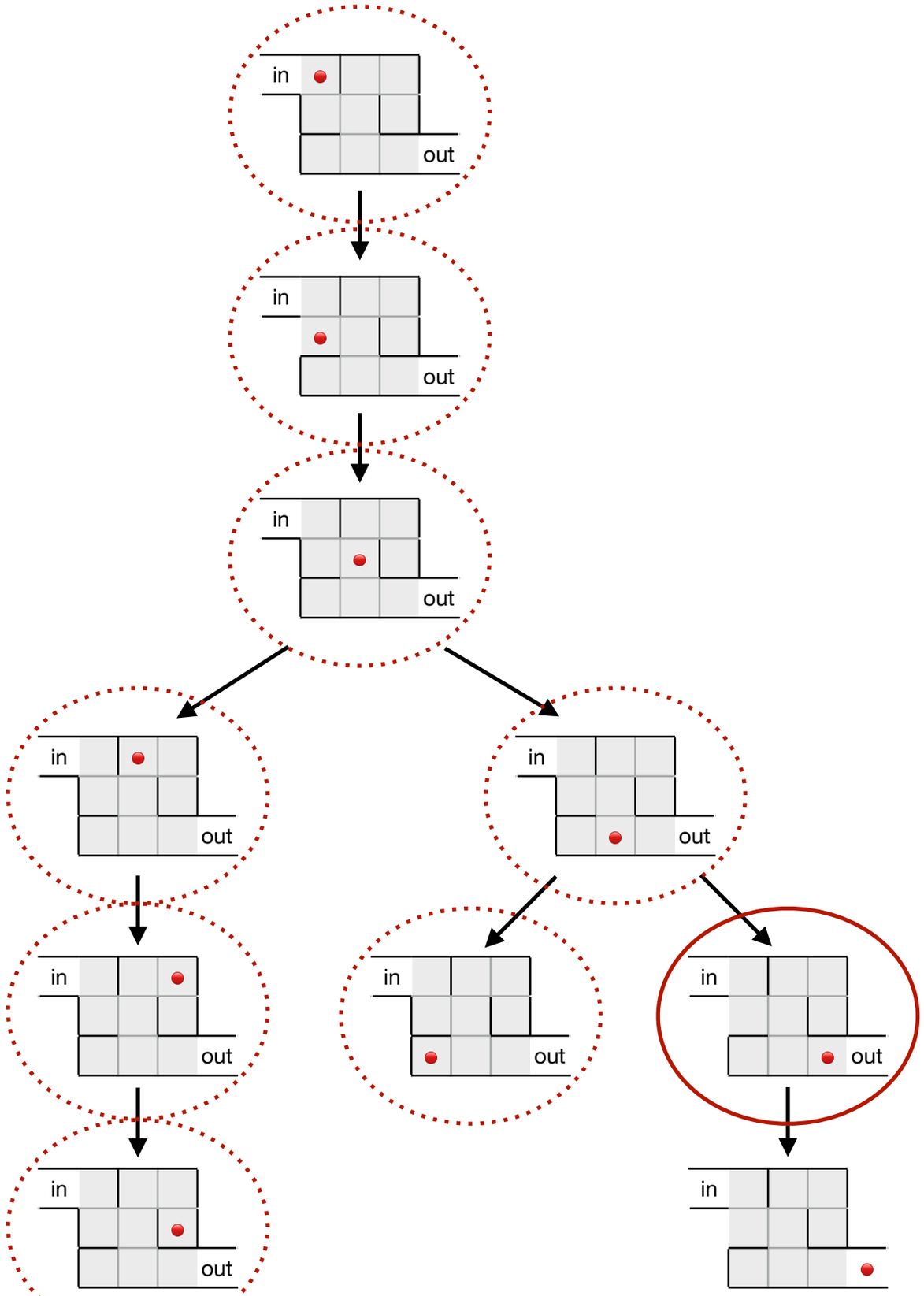


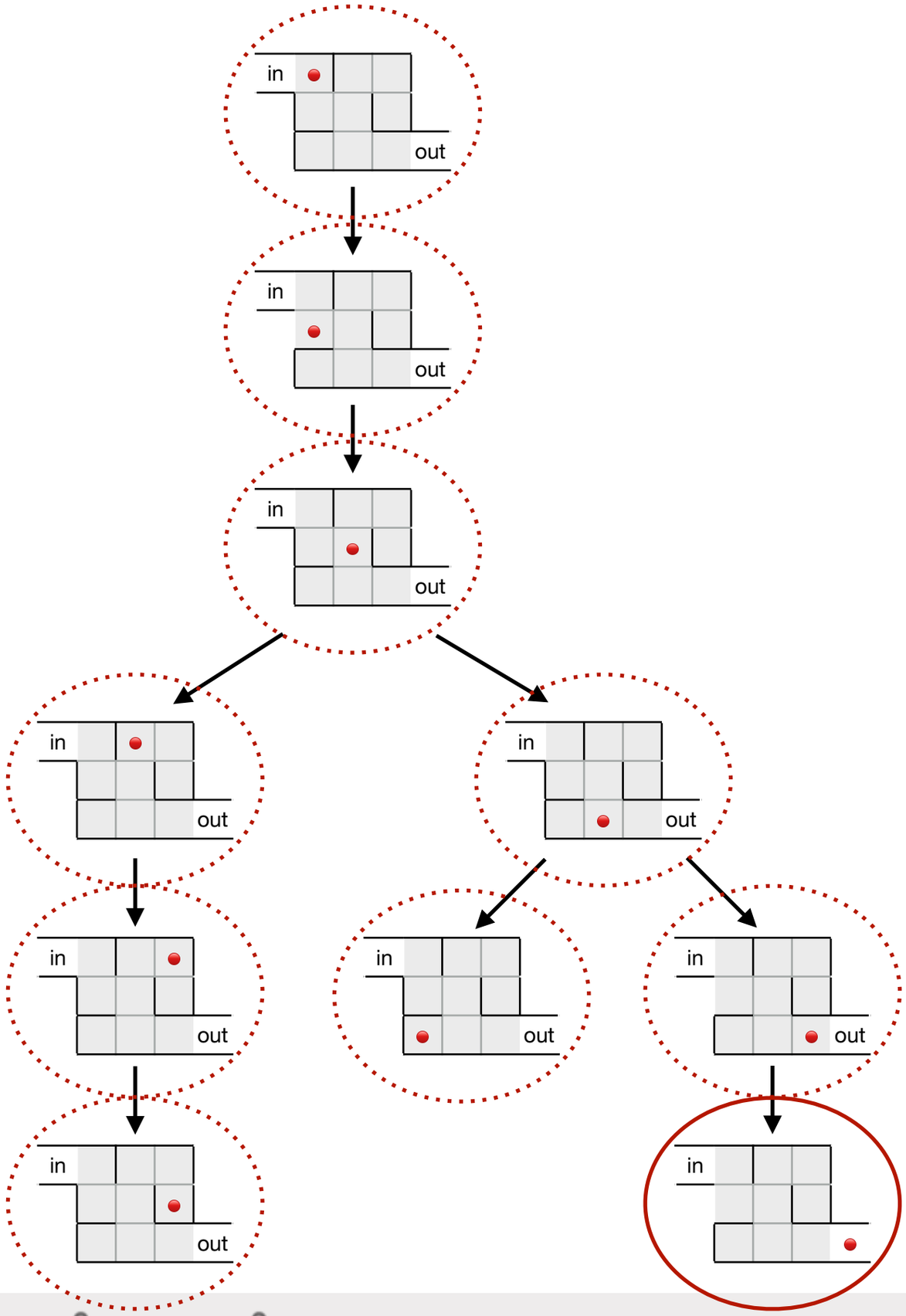












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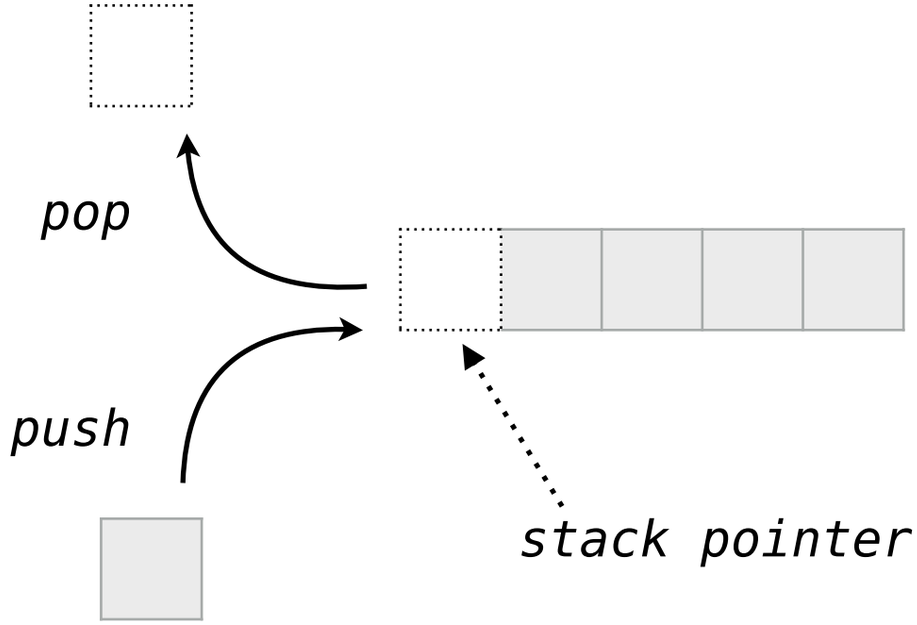

LIFO:
last in,
first out

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```
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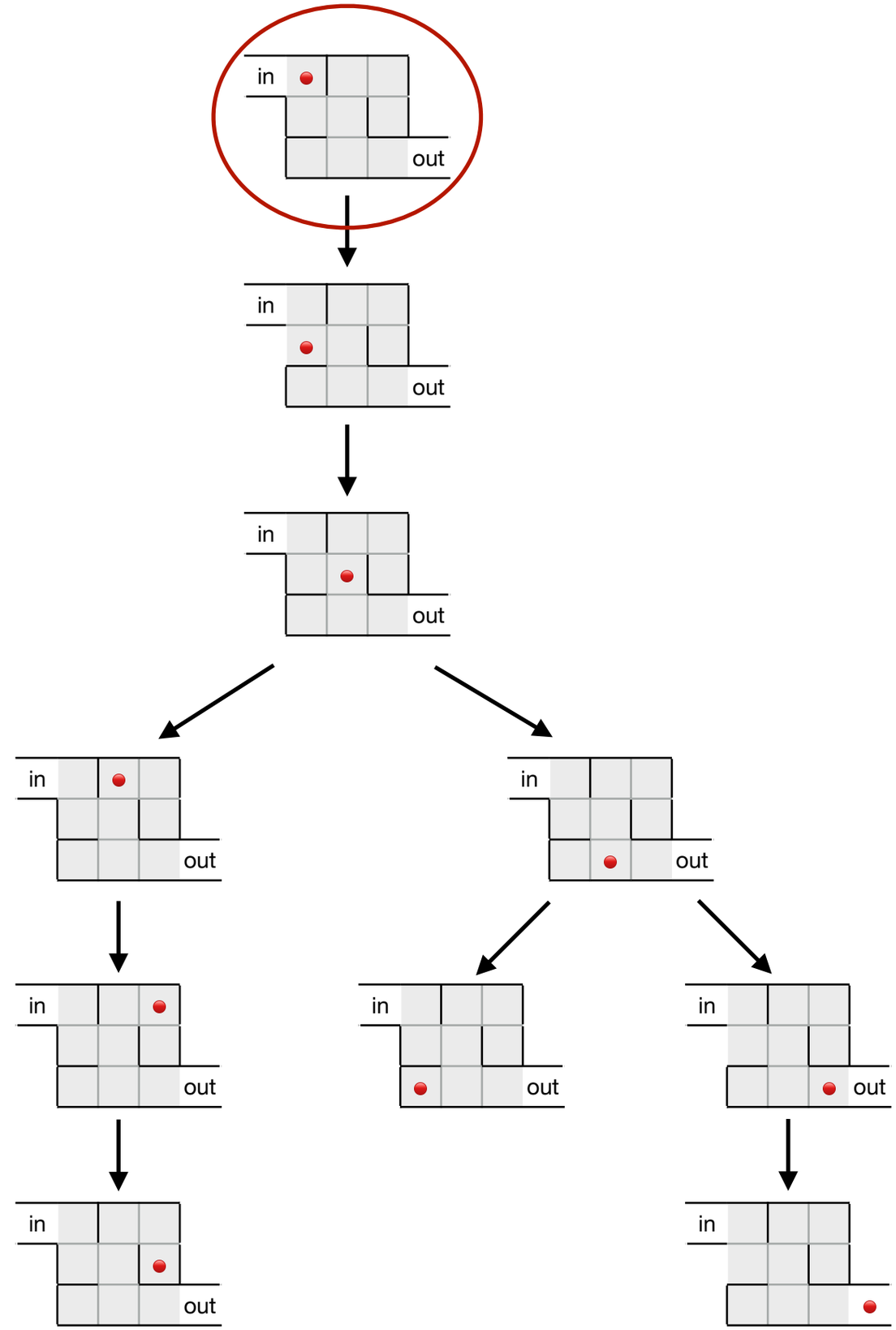
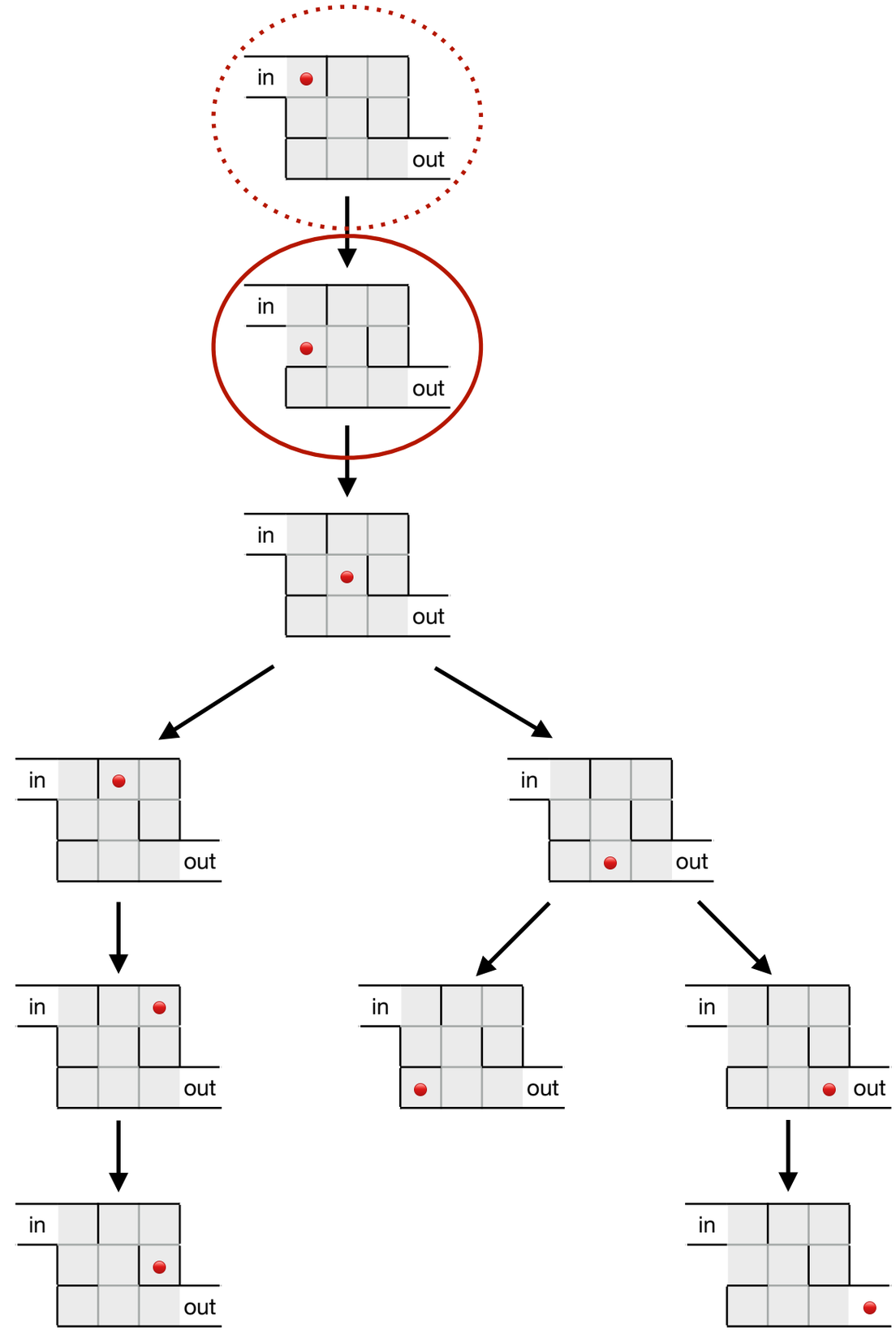
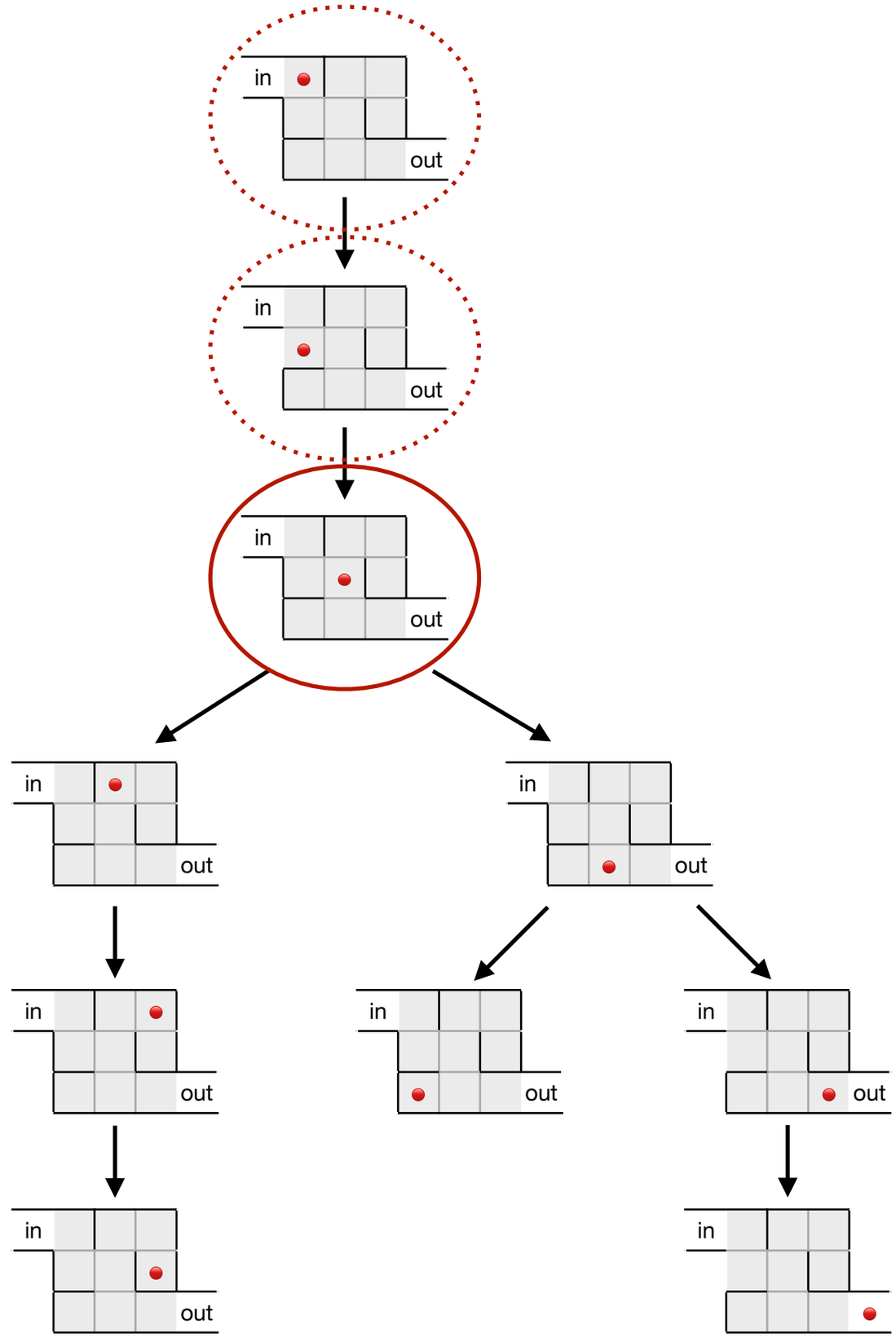
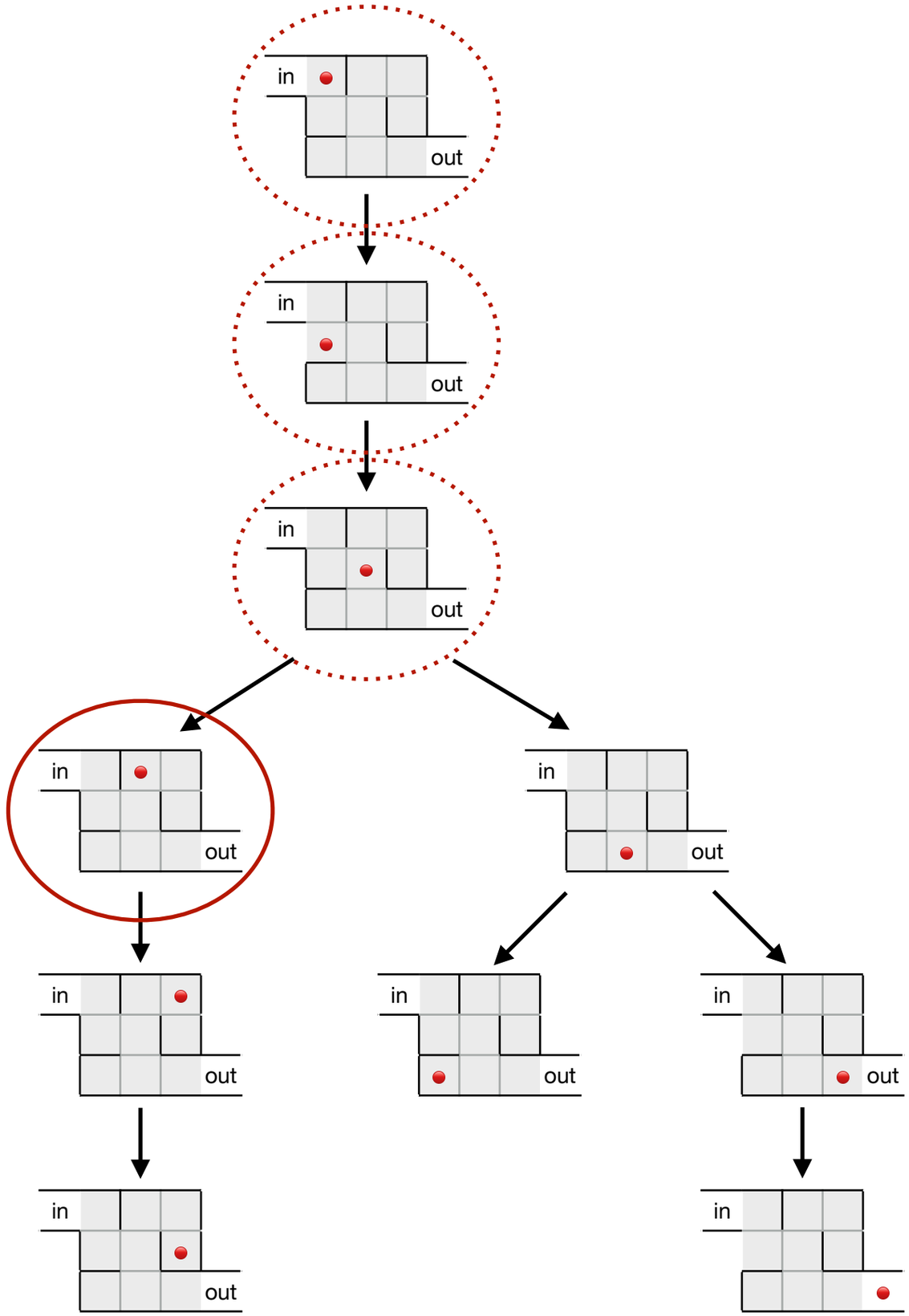
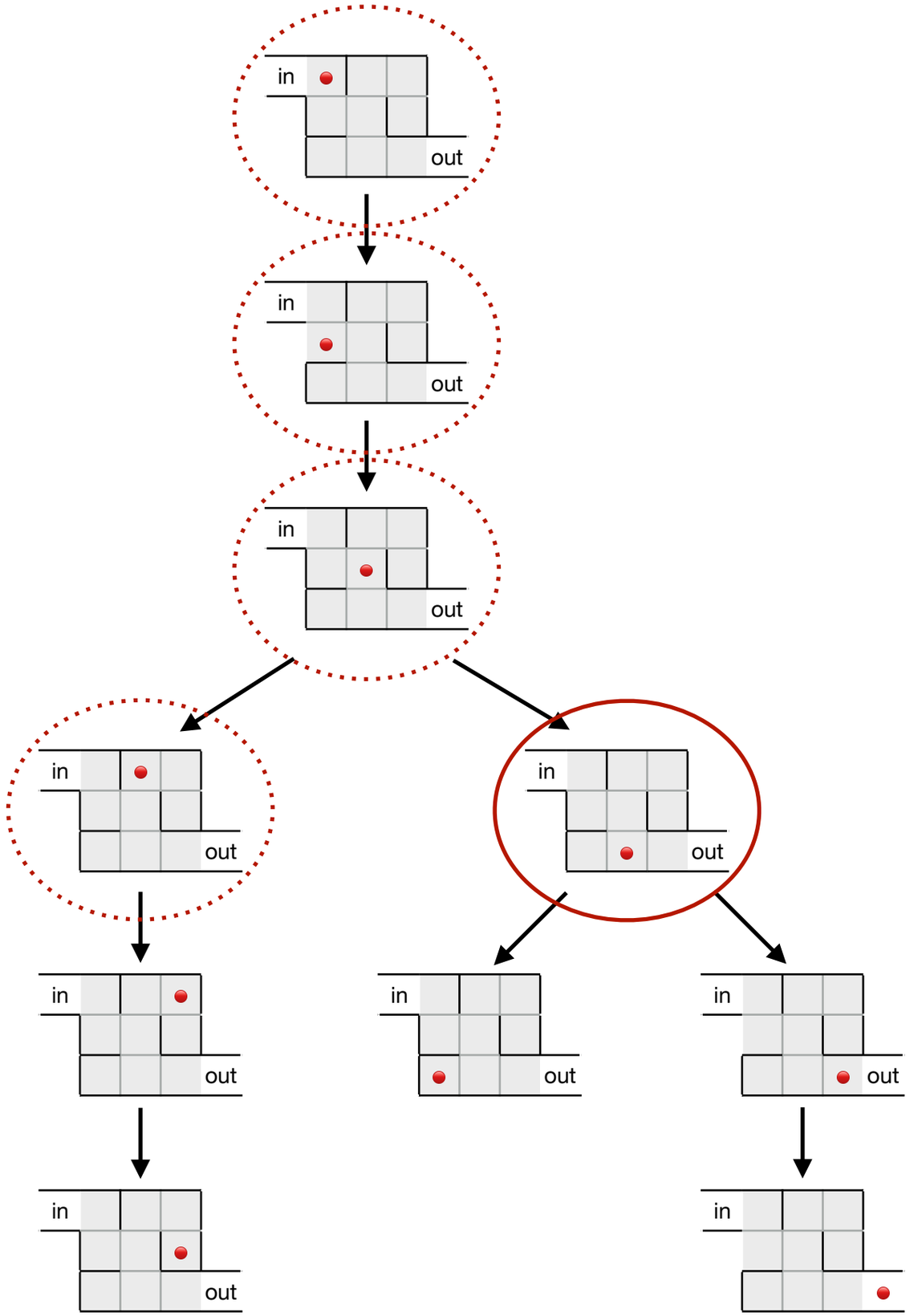
Breadth-first search

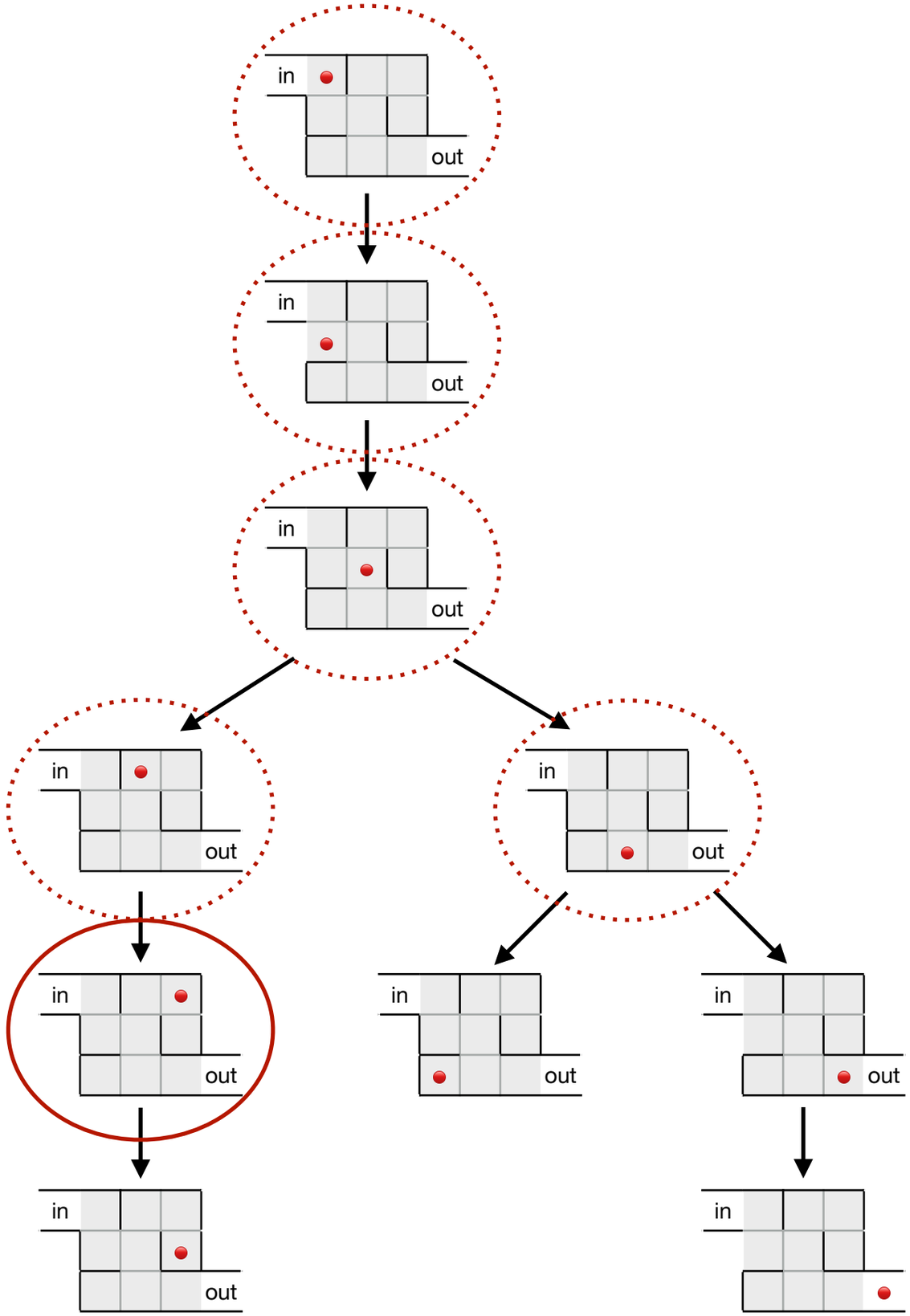


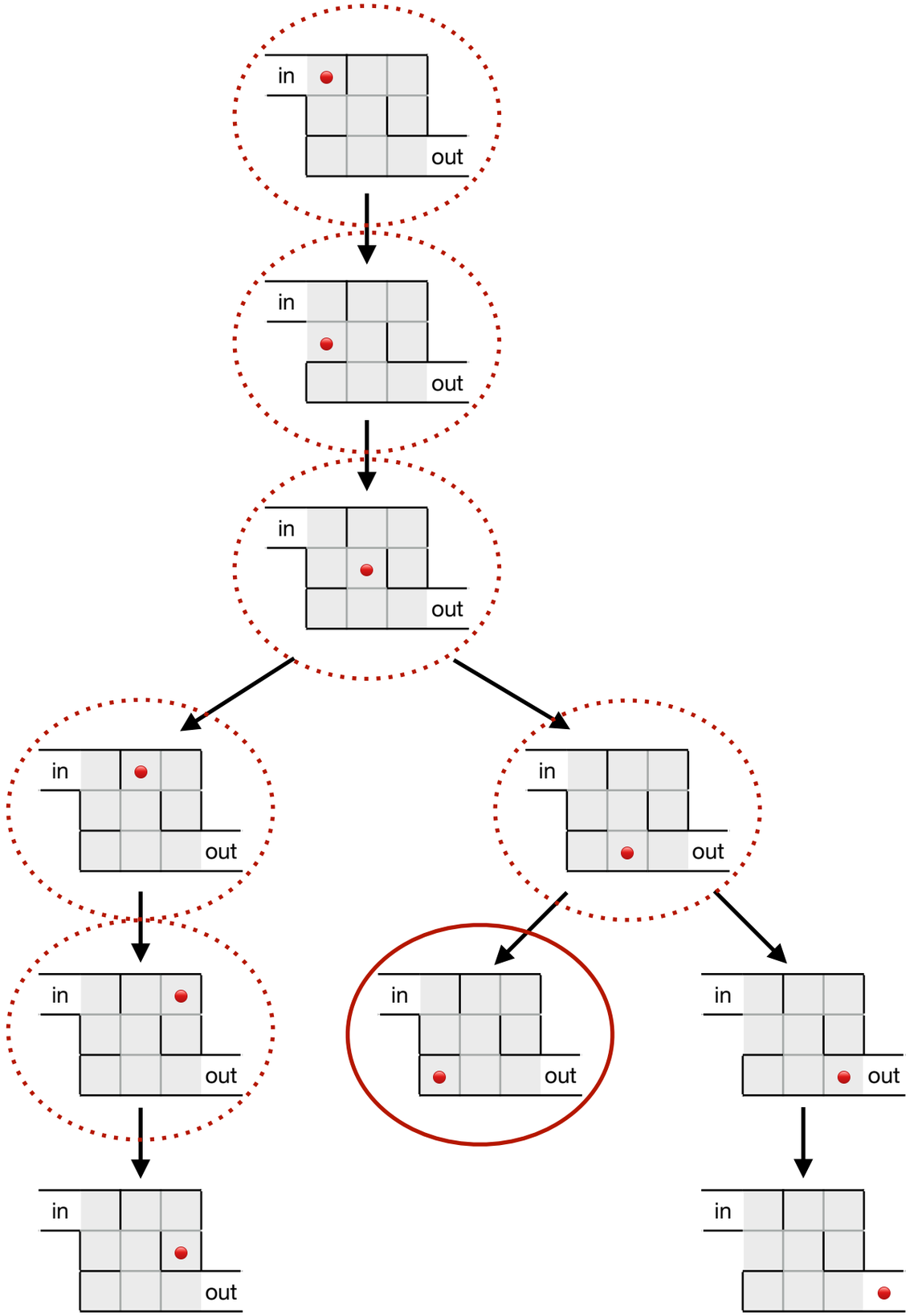


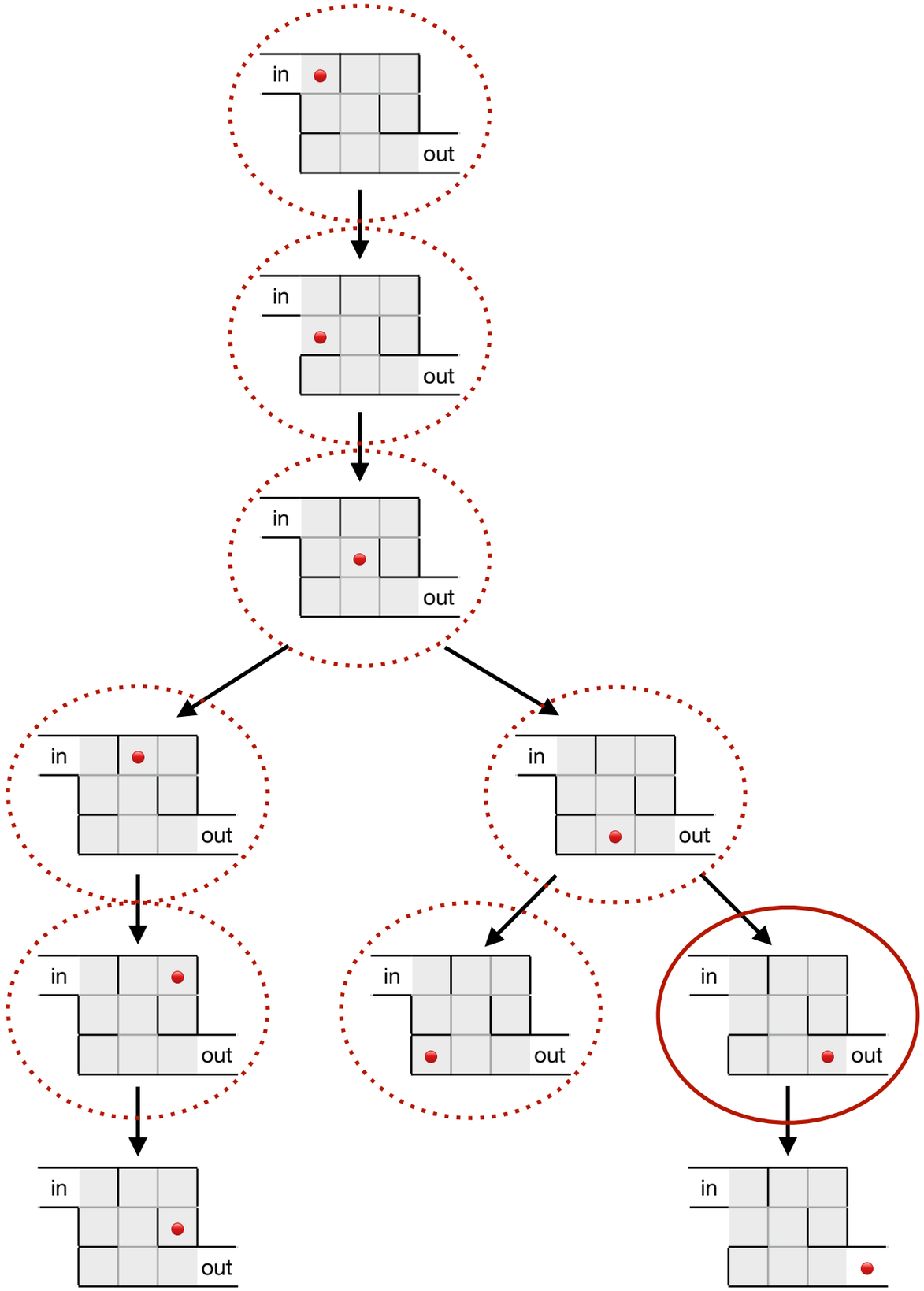


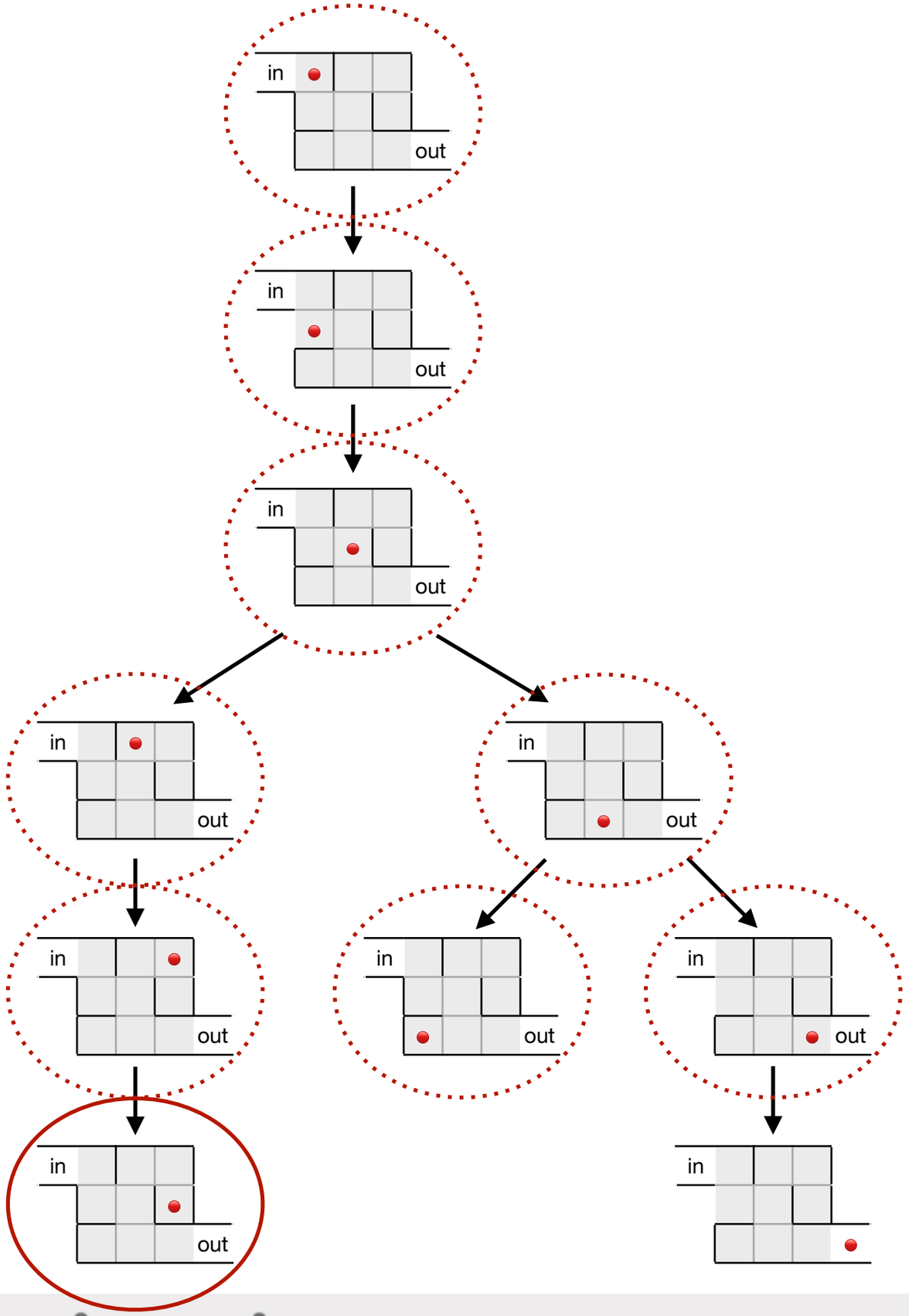


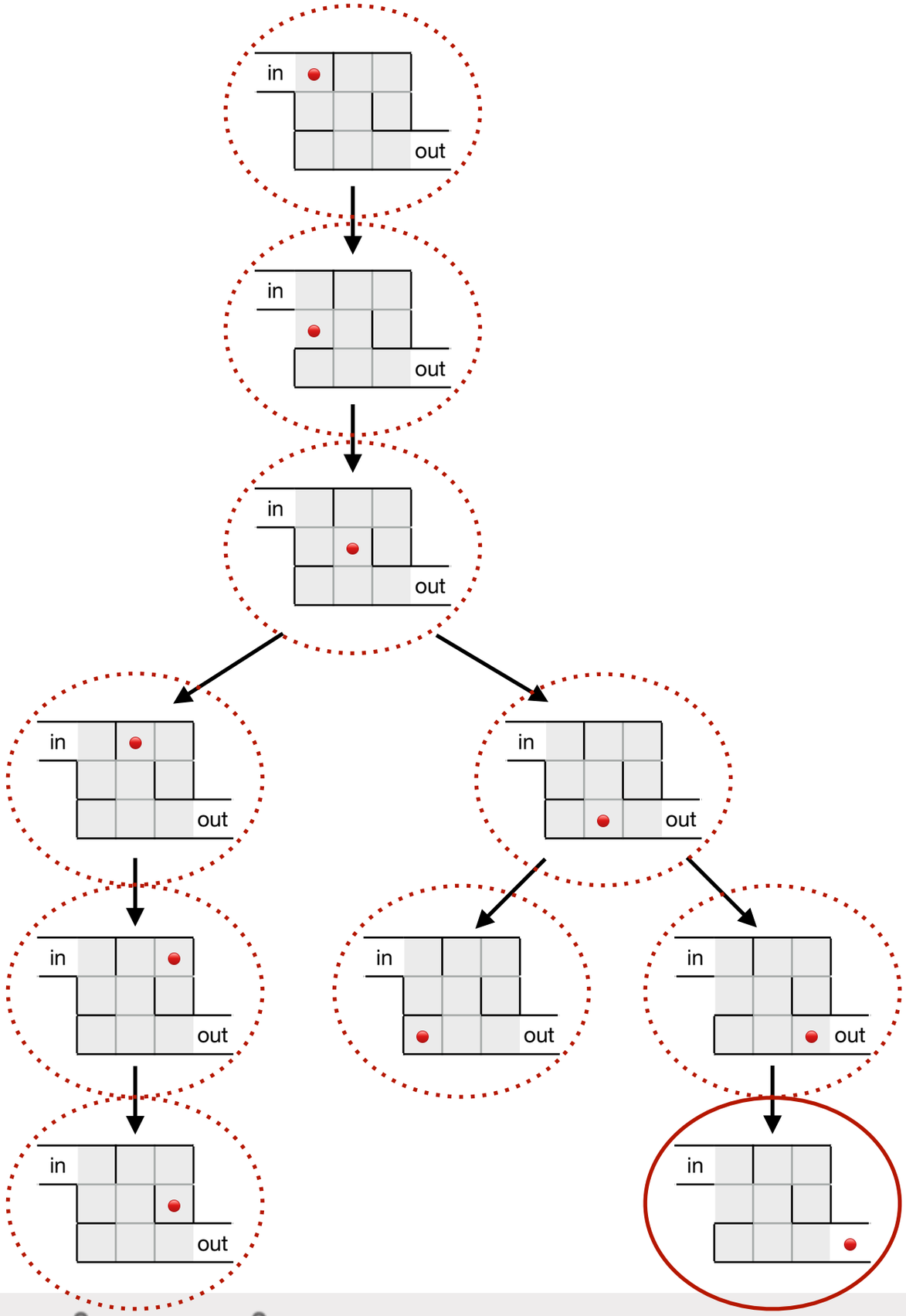












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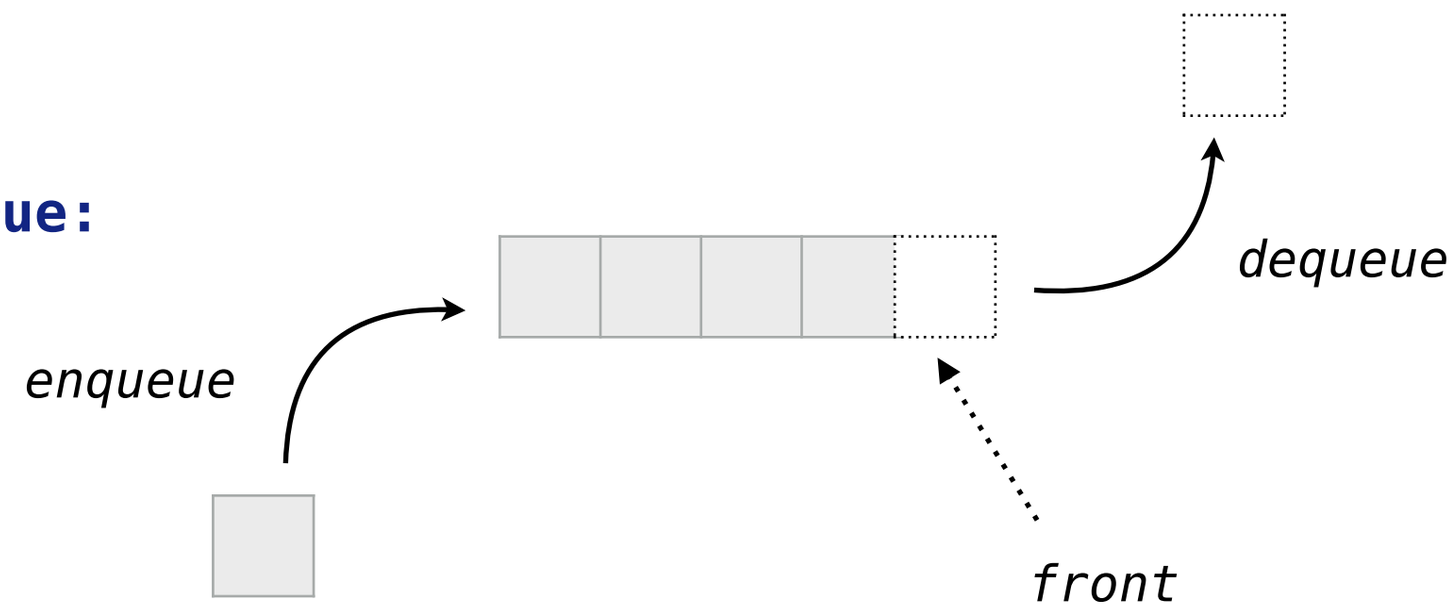

FIFO:
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Search in Battleship

Target vs Hunt mode

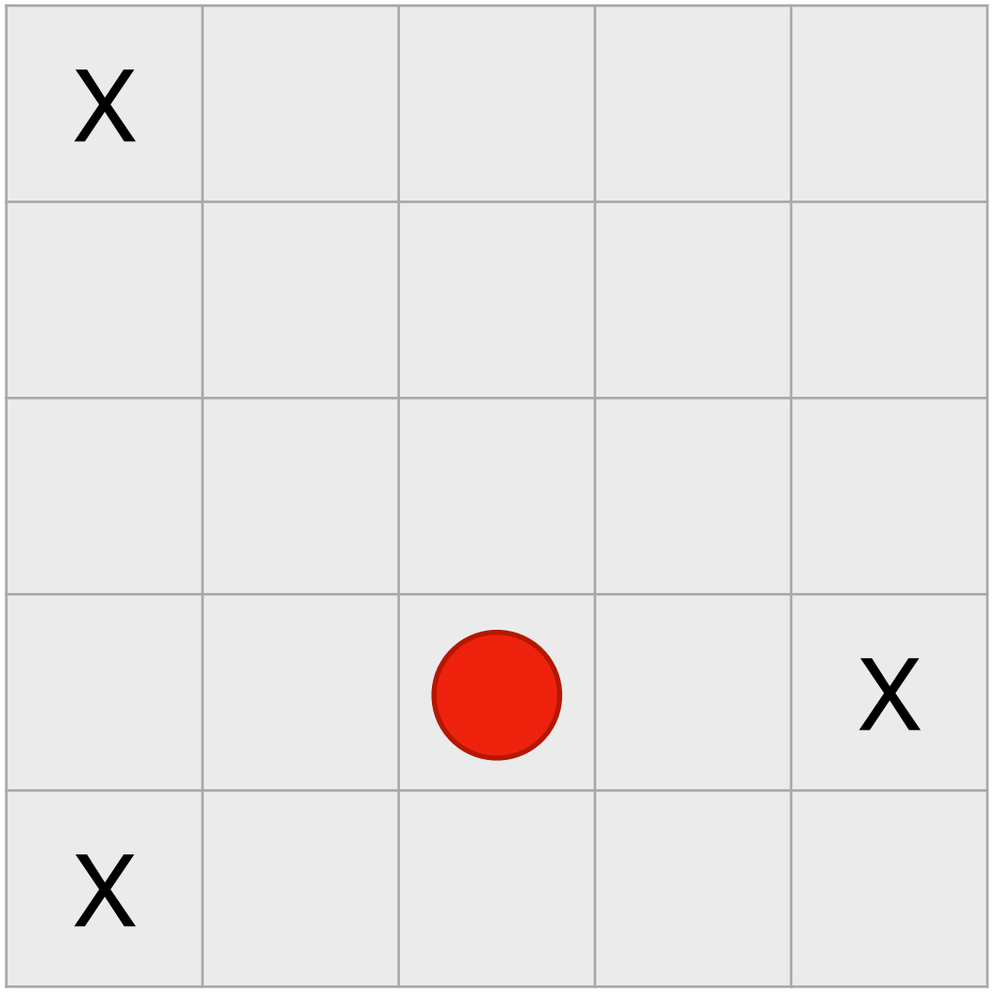
- in the *Hunt* mode, we randomly search for ships on the board:

  chooseRandomValidTarget(gamestate)

- in the *Target* mode, when a ship is hit, we try to sink it by searching through its neighbourhood cells!

  which type of search should we choose?

Search in Target mode



X is a missed shot,

● is a hit ship.

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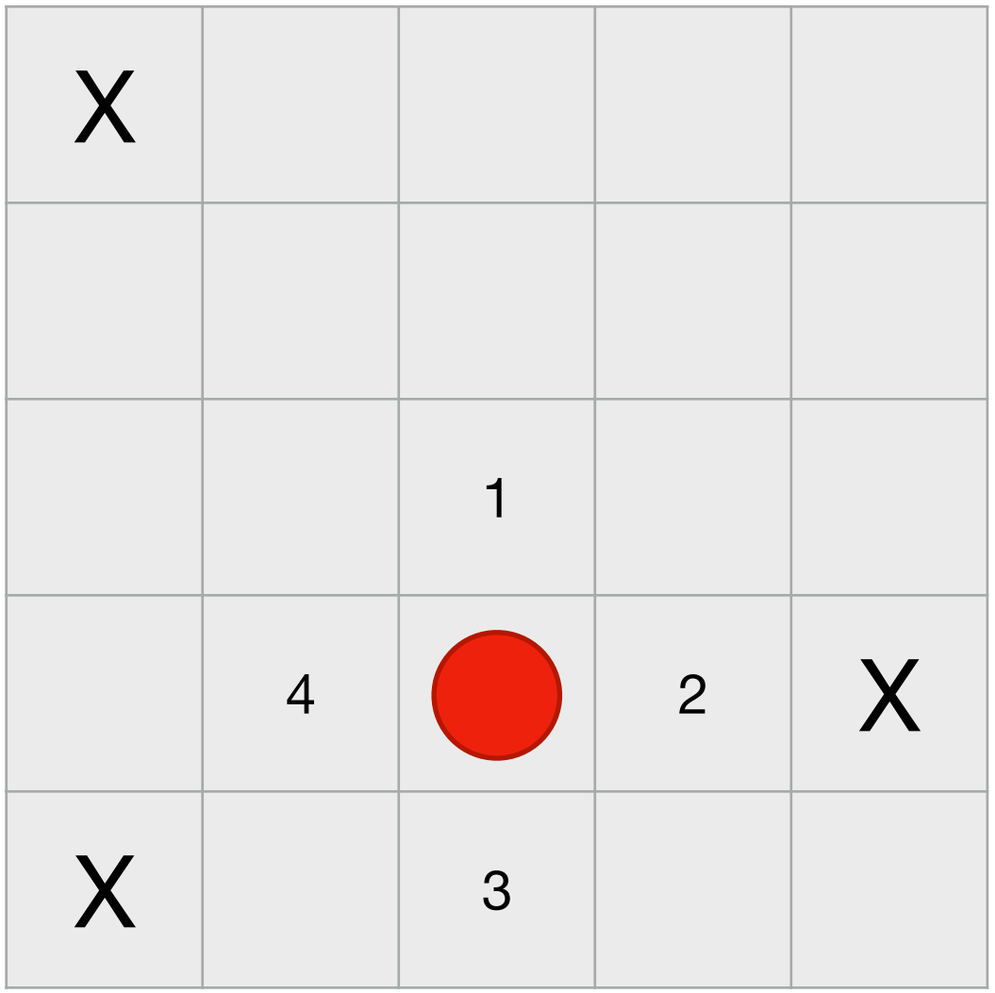

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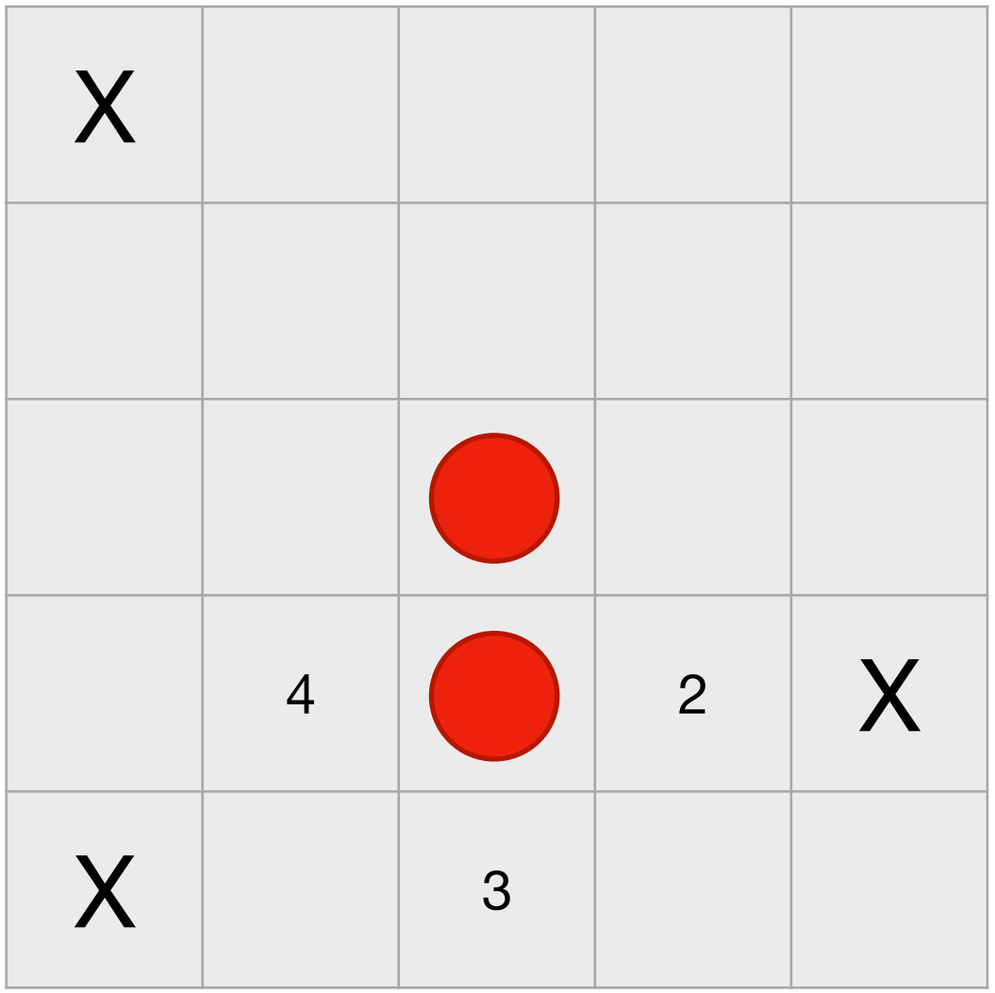

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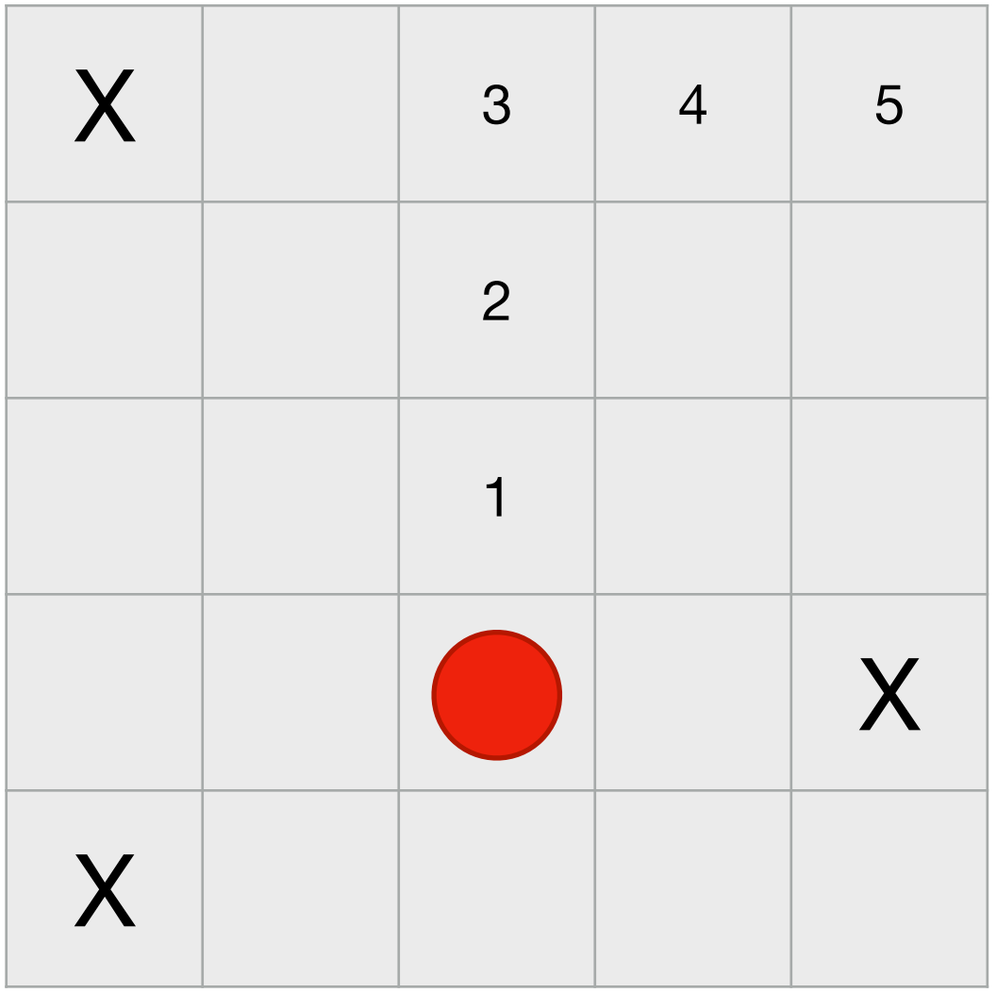

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		2		
		X		
				X
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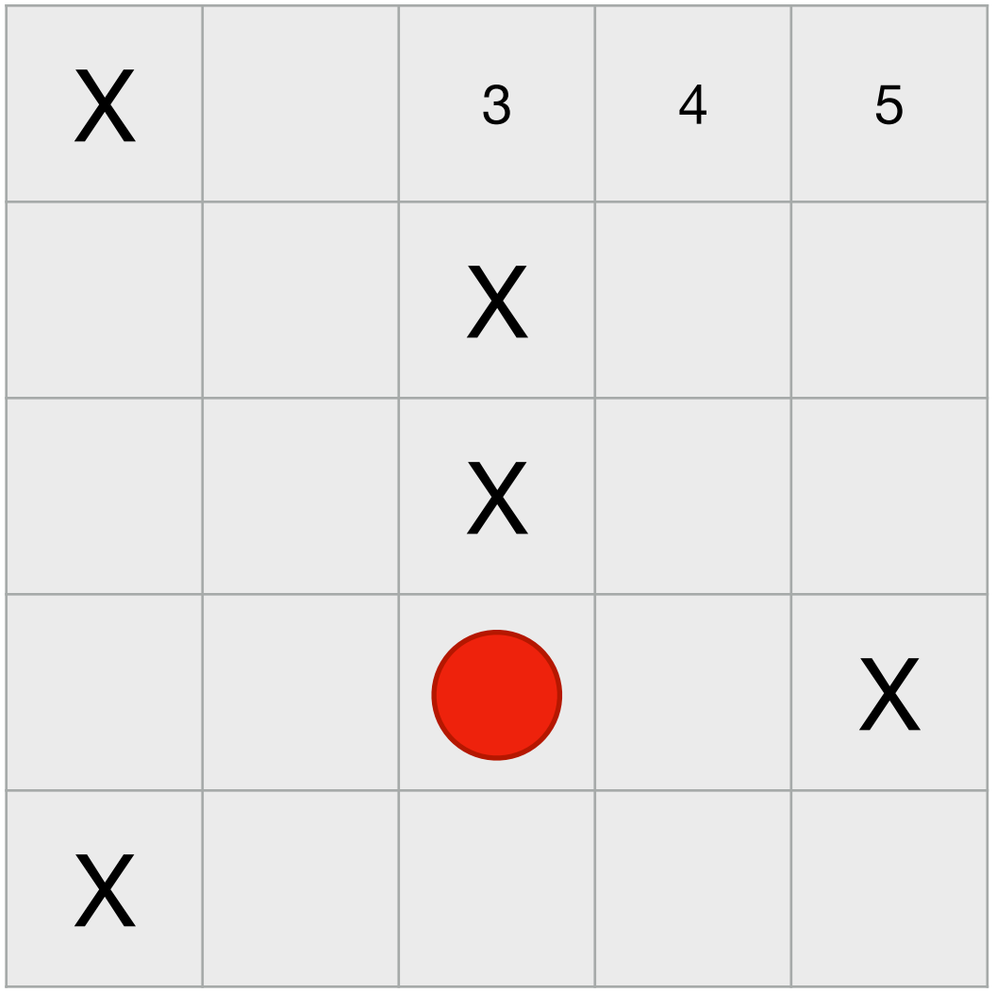

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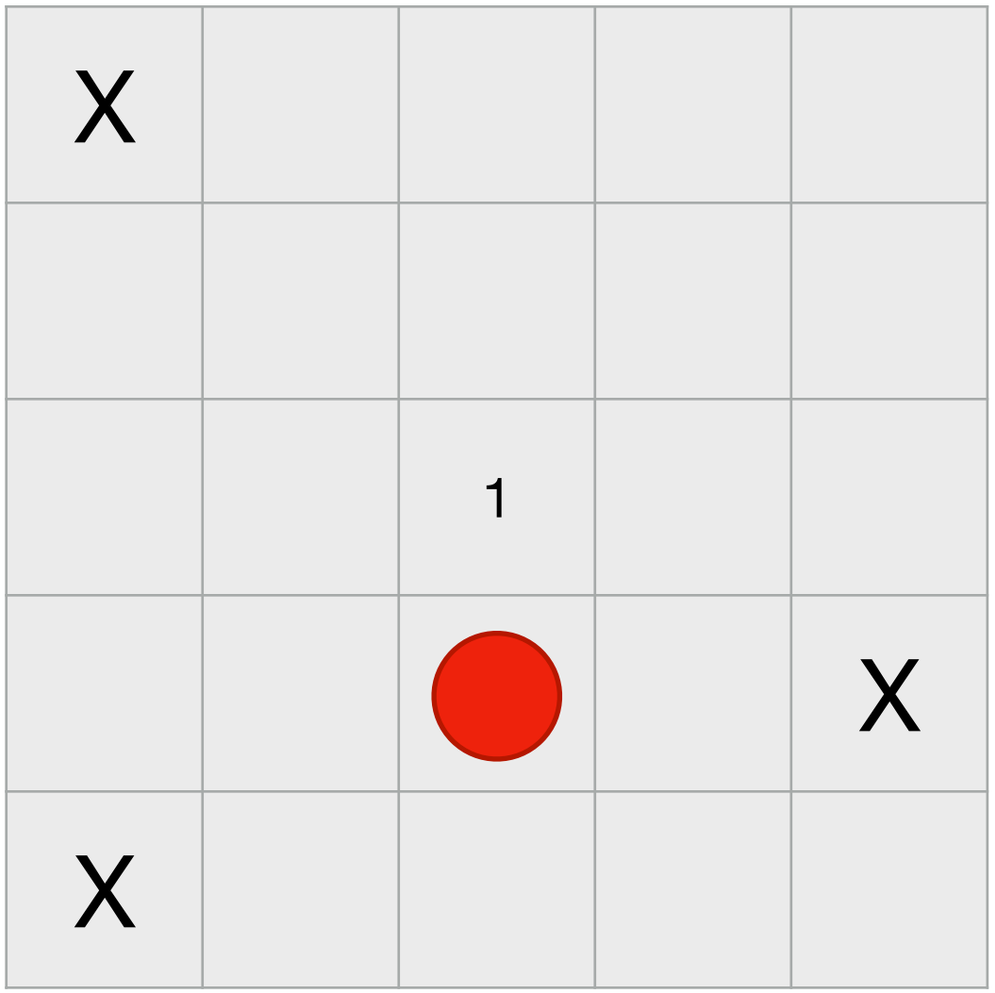

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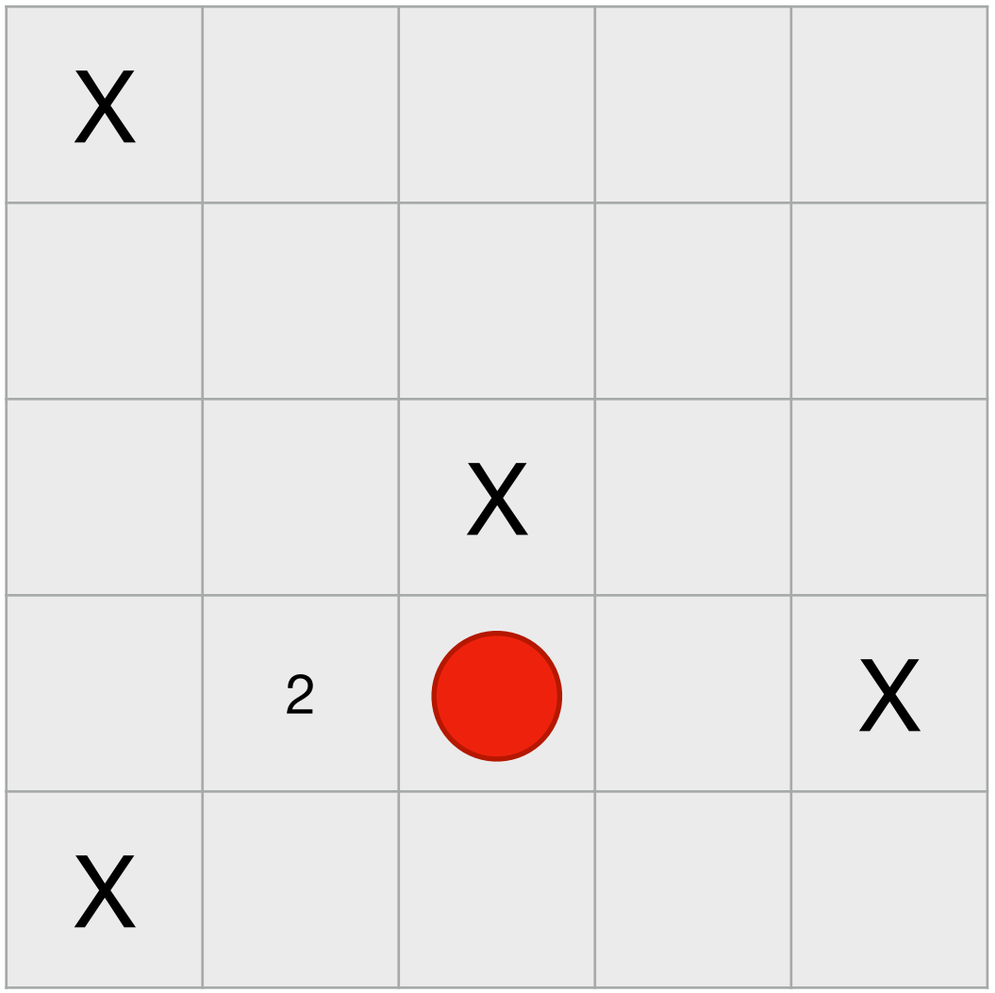

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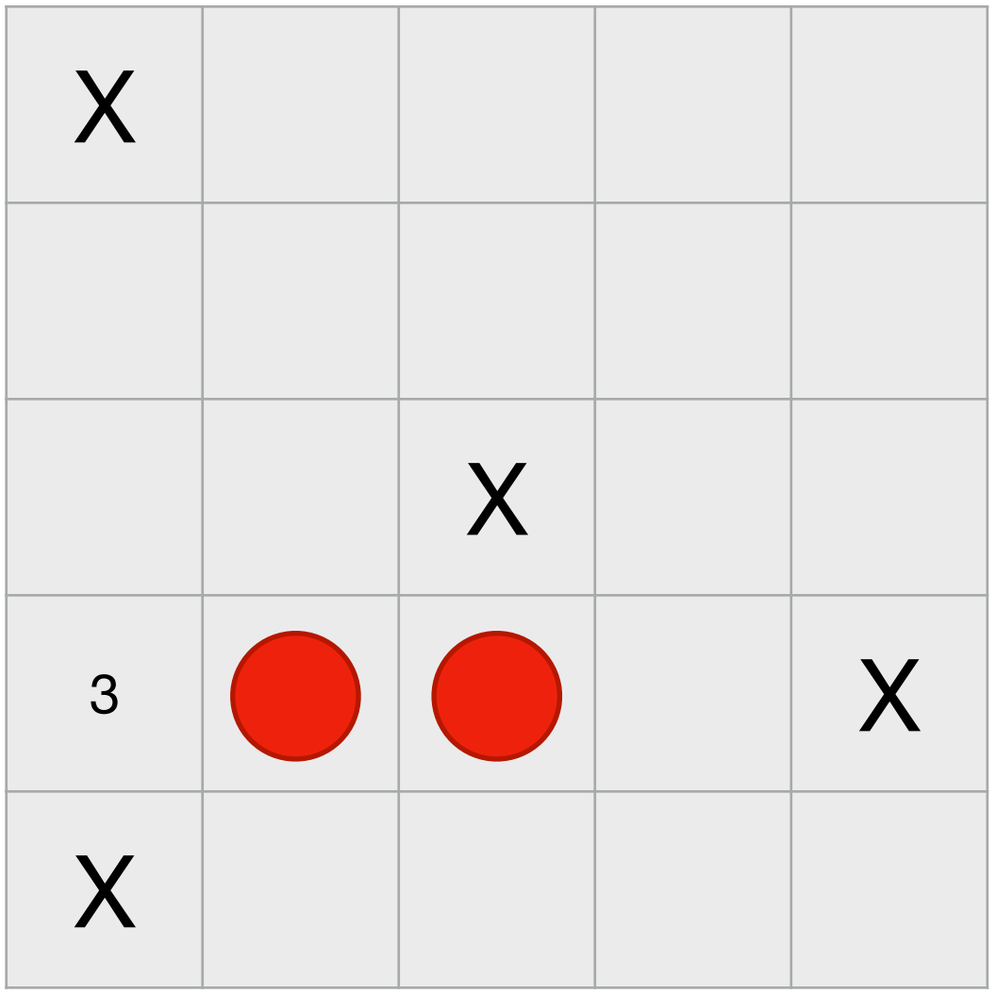

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Coding search strategies

Using the online editor

- **Problem**: in the online editor you cannot *memorize* the previous search state, in particular, your previous moves.

- Hence, you do not know where to *backtrack.*

You only get the ‘GameState’:


```
{'Ships': [5, 4, 3, 3, 2], 'IsMover': True, 'Round': 5, 'GameStatus': 'RUNNING', 'GameId': 123, 'OpponentId': ‘enemy’,
'MyBoard': [['', '2', '2', '2', '', '', '', ''], ['', '', '', '', '', '', '', ''], ['0', '', '', '', '', '', '', ''],
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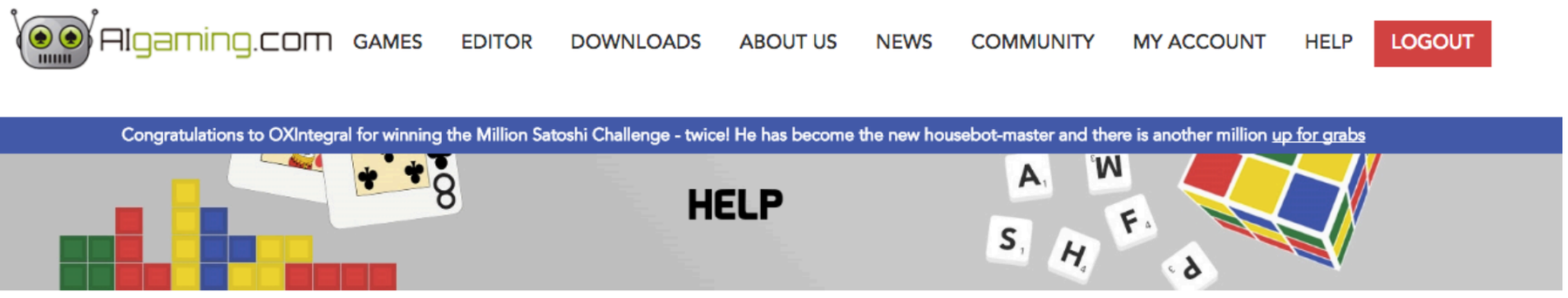
Using the demo client

https://www.aigaming.com/Help?url=downloads



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The important parts

- **battleships_layout.py:**
  - function *play_game*

```
474
475     def play_game(self):
476         """Play a game."""
477         self.resultText.config(text='Playing game')
478         self.in_game = True
```

  - the *while* loop

```
502     while True:
503         if self.game_cancelled:
504             break
505
506         if game_state['IsMover']:
507             self.resultText.config(text='Playing Game - Your Turn')
508             move = battleships_move.calculateMove(game_state)
509             move_results = self.make_move(move)
```

Here you can store your moves!

The important parts

- **battleships_move.py:**
  - function *calculateMove*

```
4
5   def calculateMove(gamestate):
6       if gamestate["Round"] == 0:  # If we are in the ship placement round
7           # move = exampleShipPlacement()  # Does not take land into account
8           move = deployRandomly(gamestate)  # Randomly place your ships
9       else:  # If we are in the ship hunting round
10          move = chooseRandomValidTarget(gamestate)  # Randomly fire at valid sea targets
11      return move
```

Here you can modify your moves strategy and *search*!

Homework: integrate DFS with pruning strategy into the battleships code