1. Discuss the importance of visualizing the solutions of the N-Queens Problem to understand the placement of queens better. Use a graphical representation to show how queens are placed on the board for different values of N. Explain how visual tools can help in debugging the algorithm and gaining insights into the problem's complexity. Provide examples of visual representations for N = 4, N = 5, and N = 8, showing different valid solutions.

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a. Visualization for 4-Queens:
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Input: N = 4Output:

Explanation: Each 'Q' represents a queen, and '.' represents an empty space.

b. Visualization for 5-Queens:

Input: N = 5

Output:

c. Visualization for 8-Queens:

Input: N = 8 Output:

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rint_board(board):
          for row in board:
              print(" ".jo
                                (row))
          print()
    def solve_n_queens(n):
         def is_safe(board, row, col):
    for i in range(row):
                       board[i][col] == 'Q':
                   if col - (row - i) >= 0 and board[i][col - (row - i)] == 'Q':
                   if col + (row - i) < n and board[i][col + (row - i)] == 'Q':
          def solve(board, row):
               if row == n:
                   print_board(board)
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               for col in r
                                  e(n):
                   if is_safe(board, row, col):
                        board[row][col] =
solve(board, row +
                                               '0
                        board[row][col] =
                           for _ in range(n)] for _ in range(n)]
          board = [['.
          solve(board, 0)
     print("N = 4:")
     solve_n_queens(4)
        int("N = 5:")
    solve_n_queens(5)
print("N = 8:")
solve n queens(8)
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            for col in range(n):
19
                 if is safe(board, row, col):
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                     board[row][col] = 'Q'
21
                     solve(board, row + 1)
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                     board[row][col] = '.
23
        board = [['.' for _ in range(n)] for _ in range(n)]
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25
        solve(board, 0)
26
    print("N = 4:")
27
    solve_n_queens(4)
    print("N = 5:")
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    solve n queens(5)
    print("N = 8:")
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    solve_n_queens(8)
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- 2. Discuss the generalization of the N-Queens Problem to other board sizes and shapes, such as rectangular boards or boards with obstacles. Explain how the algorithm can be adapted to handle these variations and the additional constraints they introduce. Provide examples of solving generalized N-Queens Problems for different board configurations, such as an 8×10 board, a 5×5 board with obstacles, and a 6×6 board with restricted positions.
 - a. 8×10 Board:

8 rows and 10 columns

Output: Possible solution [1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 2, 4, 6]

Explanation: Adapt the algorithm to place 8 queens on an 8×10 board, ensuring no two queens threaten each other.

b. 5×5 Board with Obstacles:

Input: N = 5, Obstacles at positions [(2, 2), (4, 4)]

Output: Possible solution [1, 3, 5, 2, 4]

Explanation: Modify the algorithm to avoid placing queens on obstacle positions, ensuring a valid solution that respects the constraints.

c. 6×6 Board with Restricted Positions:

Input: N = 6, Restricted positions at columns 2 and 4 for the first queen

Output: Possible solution [1, 3, 5, 2, 4, 6]

Explanation: Adjust the algorithm to handle restricted positions, ensuring the queens are placed without conflicts and within allowed columns.

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1 def is_safe(board, row, col):
        for i in range(row):
   if board[i] == col or \
               board[i] - i == col - row or \
               board[i] + i == col + row:
                return False
        return True
 8 def solve_n_queens(n, board=None, row=0):
        if board is None:
            board = [-1] * n
        if row == n:
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            return [board.copy()]
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        solutions = []
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        for col in r
                       te(n):
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            if is_safe(board, row, col):
                board[row] = col
                solutions += solve_n_queens(n, board, row + 1)
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                board[row] = -1
        return solutions
20 def solve_8x10():
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        n = 8
        board = [0] * n
        solutions = []
        for col in range(10):
            if is_safe(board, 0, col):
                board[0] = col
                solutions += solve_n_queens(n, board, 1)
                board[0] = -1
        return solutions
30 def solve_5x5_with_obstacles(obstacles):
        n = 5
        board = [-1] * n
        solutions = []
        def is_safe_with_obstacles(board, row, col):
            if (row, col) in obstacles:
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solve_with_obstacles(n, board=None, row=0):
  if board is None:
    board = [-1] * n
                                     board = [-1] * n
if row == n:
    return [board.copy()]
solutions = []
for col in range(n):
    if is_safe_with_obstacles(board, row, col):
        board[rowl = col
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                                                          board[row] = col
solutions += solve_with_obstacles(n, board, row + 1)
                                                               board[row] = -1
                                      return solutions
           return solve with_obstacles(n, board)
def solve_6x6_with_restricted_positions(restricted):
                        board = [-1] * n
solutions = []
def is_safe_with_restrictions(board, row, col):
    if col in restricted:
        return false
                        return False
return is_safe(board, row, col)

def solve_with_restrictions(n, board=None, row=0):
    if board is None:
        board = [-1] * n
                                   board = [-1] n
if row == n:
    return [board.copy()]
solutions = []
for col in range(n):
    if is_safe_with_restrictions(board, row, col):
        board[row] = col
        solutions += solve_with_restrictions(n, board, row + 1)
        board[row] = -1
                                      return solutions
           return solve_with_restrictions(n, board)
print("8x10 Board Solutions:", solve_8x10())
print("5x5 Board with Obstacles Solutions:", solve_5x5_with_obstacles([(2, 2), (4, 4)]))
print("6x6 Board with Restricted Positions Solutions:", solve_6x6_with_restricted_positions([2, 4]))
                    return false
return is_safe(board, row, col)
solve_with_restrictions(n, board=None, row=0):
  input

7, 0, 2, 51, [9, 3, 1, 7, 2, 0, 6, 4], [9, 3, 1, 7, 4, 2, 0, 5], [9, 3, 1, 7, 4, 6, 0, 5], [9, 3, 5, 7, 2, 0, 6, 1], [9, 3, 5, 7, 2, 6, 4], [9, 3, 6, 2, 7, 1, 4, 0], [9, 3, 6, 4, 2, 0, 5, 7], [9, 4, 0, 3, 6, 2, 5, 1], [9, 4, 0, 3, 6, 2, 7, 1], [9, 4, 1, 3, 6, 2, 7, 1], [9, 4, 2, 0, 6, 1, 7, 5], [9, 4, 2, 7, 3, 6, 0, 5], [9, 4, 6, 0, 2, 7, 1, 3], [9, 6, 0, 2, 7, 5, 3], [9, 4, 6, 0, 3, 1, 7, 5], [9, 4, 6, 3, 0, 2, 7, 5], [9, 5, 0, 2, 4, 6, 1, 3], [9, 5, 0, 2, 4, 7, 1, 3], [9, 5, 0, 2, 4, 7, 1, 3], [9, 5, 0, 2, 4, 7, 1, 4], [9, 5, 2, 0, 7, 3], [9, 5, 0, 3, 7, 4, 1], [9, 5, 2, 0, 7, 3], [9, 5, 3, 0, 4, 7, 1, 6], [9, 6, 1, 3, 7, 0, 2, 5], [9, 6, 1, 5, 2, 0, 7, 3], [9, 6, 1, 5, 2, 0, 7, 4], [9, 6, 3, 0, 2, 7, 5, 1], [9, 6, 4, 2, 0, 5, 7, 1], [9, 7, 1, 4, 2, 0, 6, 3], [9, 7, 3, 0, 2, 5, 1, 6], [9, 7, 4, 2, 0, 6, 1, 5]

8 Board with Obstacles Solutions: [[0, 2, 4, 1, 3], [0, 3, 1, 4, 2], [2, 4, 1, 3, 0], [3, 1, 4, 2, 0], [4, 1, 3, 0, 2], [4, 2, 0, 3, 1]
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x6 Board with Restricted Positions Solutions: []
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3. Write a program to solve a Sudoku puzzle by filling the empty cells. A sudoku solution must satisfy all of the following rules: Each of the digits 1-9 must occur exactly once in each row. Each of the digits 1-9 must occur exactly once in each column. Each of the digits 1-9 must occur exactly once in each of the 9 3x3 sub-boxes of the grid. The '.' character indicates empty cells.

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Example 1:
Input: board =
[["5","3",".","","7",".",".","."],
["6",".",".","1","9","5",".",".","."],
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["","9","8","",","",",",",",",","],
["8",",",",",",",",",",",",",","],
["4",",",",",",",",",",",",",","],
["7",",",",",",",",",",",",",",","],
["",",",",",",",",",",",",",",",","]]
Output:
[["5","3","4","6","7","8","9","1","2"],
["6","7","2","1","9","5","3","4","8"],
["1","9","8","3","4","6","1","4","2","3"],
["4","2","6","8","5","3","7","9","1"],
["7","1","3","9","2","4","8","5","6","7"],
["9","6","1","5","3","7","2","8","4"],
["2","8","7","4","1","9","6","3","5"],
["3","4","5","2","8","6","1","7","9"]]
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4. Write a program to solve a Sudoku puzzle by filling the empty cells. A sudoku solution must satisfy all of the following rules: Each of the digits 1-9 must occur exactly once in each row. Each of the digits 1-9 must occur exactly once in each column. Each of the digits 1-9 must occur exactly once in each of the 9 3x3 sub-boxes of the grid. The '.' character indicates empty cells.

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Example 1:
Input: board =
[["5","3",",",",","7",",",",",",","],
["6",",",","1","9","5",",",",","],
["8",",",",","6",",",",",",","],
["4",",",","8",",",",",",",",","],
["7","",",",",",",",",",",",","],
["7",",",",",",",",",",",",",","],
["5",3",44",6",77",8","9",1",2"],
["6",7",2",11",9",5",3",44",8"],
["1",9",8",3",44",2",5",6",7"],
["8",5",9",7",6",11",4",2",3"],
["4",2",6",8",5",3",7",9",11"],
["7",11",3",9",2",44",8",5",3",7",9",11"],
["9",6",11",5",3",7",2",88",41],
["2",8",7",44",11",9",6",3",5"],
["3",44",5",7",44",11",9",6",3",5"],
["3",44",5",7",44",11",9",6",3",5"],
["3",44",5",2",88",6",11",77",9"]]
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(['5', '3', '4', '6', '7', '8', '9', '1', '2'), ['6', '7', '2', '1', '9', '5', '3', '4', '8'], ['1', '9', '8', '3', '4', '2', '5', '6', '7', '8', '9', '7', '6', '1', '6', '1', '4', '2', '3'], ['4', '2', '6', '8', '5', '9', '1', '1', '5', '1', '1', '1', '9', '6', '1', '5', '1', '5', '2', '8', '6', '1', '9', '6', '1', '5', '3', '4', '5', '2', '8', '6', '1', '9']]

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You are given an integer array nums and an integer target. You want to build an expression out of nums by adding one of the symbols '+' and '-' before each integer in nums and then

concatenate all the integers. For example, if nums = [2, 1], you can add a '+' before 2 and a '-' before 1 and concatenate them to build the expression "+2-1" Return the number of different expressions that you can build, which evaluates to target.

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Example 1:
Input: nums = [1,1,1,1,1], target = 3
Output: 5
Explanation: There are 5 ways to assign symbols to make the sum of nums be target 3.
-1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 = 3
+1 - 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 = 3
+1 + 1 - 1 + 1 + 1 = 3
+1 + 1 + 1 + 1 = 3
+1 + 1 + 1 + 1 = 3
Example 2:
Input: nums = [1], target = 1
Output: 1
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1 def findTargetSumWays(nums, target):
2     from collections import defaultdict
3     def dfs(index, current_sum):
4         if index == ler(nums):
5             return dfs(index + 1, current_sum == target else 0
6             return dfs(index + 1, current_sum + nums[index]) + dfs(index + 1, current_sum - nums[index])
7     return dfs(0, 0)
8     print(findTargetSumWays([1, 1, 1, 1, 1], 3))
9     print(findTargetSumWays([1, 1, 1, 1, 1], 3))
10
11
12
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 Given an array of integers arr, find the sum of min(b), where b ranges over every (contiguous) subarray of arr. Since the answer may be large, return the answer modulo 109 + 7.

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Example 1:

Input: arr = [3,1,2,4]

Output: 17

Explanation:

Subarrays are [3], [1], [2], [4], [3,1], [1,2], [2,4], [3,1,2], [1,2,4], [3,1,2,4].

Minimums are 3, 1, 2, 4, 1, 1, 2, 1, 1, 1.

Sum is 17.

Example 2:

Input: arr = [11,81,94,43,3]

Output: 444
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MOD = 10**9 + 7
          n = len(arr)
          total_sum = 0
          stack = []
          for i in range(n):
              while stack and arr[stack[-1]] > arr[i]:
                  j = stack.pop()
k = stack[-1] if stack else -1
                  j = stack.p
                  total_sum += arr[j] * (i - j) * (j - k) % MOD
                  total_sum %= MOD
              stack.ar
                        end(i)
          while stack:
              j = stack.pop()
k = stack[-1] if stack else -1
              total_sum += arr[j] * (n - j) * (j - k) % MOD
              total_sum %= MOD
          return total_sum
     print(sum_of_min_subarrays([3, 1, 2, 4]))
     print(sum_of_min_subarrays([11, 81, 94, 43, 3]))
input
444
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7. Given an array of distinct integers candidates and a target integer target, return a list of all unique combinations of candidates where the chosen numbers sum to target. You may return the combinations in any order. The same number may be chosen from candidates an unlimited number of times. Two combinations are unique if the frequency of at least one of the chosen numbers is different. The test cases are generated such that the number of unique combinations that sum up to target is less than 150 combinations for the given input.

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Example 1:
Input: candidates = [2,3,6,7], target = 7
Output: [[2,2,3],[7]]
Explanation:
2 and 3 are candidates, and 2 + 2 + 3 = 7. Note that 2 can be used multiple times.
7 is a candidate, and 7 = 7.
These are the only two combinations.
Example 2:
Input: candidates = [2,3,5], target = 8
Output: [[2,2,2,2],[2,3,3],[3,5]]
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```
1 def combinationSum(candidates, target):
    result = []

def backtrack(remaining, combo, start):
    if remaining == 0:
    result.appenv(list(combo))
    return

elif remaining < 0:
    return

for i in range(start, len(candidates)):
    combo.append(candidates[i])
    backtrack(remaining - candidates[i], combo, i)

combo.pop()

backtrack(target, [], 0)
    return result

arget1 = 7

print(combinationSum(candidates1, target1)) # Output: [[2, 2, 3], [7]]

candidates2 = [2, 3, 5]

target2 = 8

print(combinationSum(candidates2, target2)) # Output: [[2, 2, 2, 2], [2, 3, 3], [3, 5]]

v    input

[[2, 2, 3], [7]]
[[2, 2, 2, 2], [2, 3, 3], [3, 5]]
```

Given a collection of candidate numbers (candidates) and a target number (target), find all
unique combinations in candidates where the candidate numbers sum to target. Each number
in candidates may only be used once in the combination. The solution set must not contain
duplicate combinations.

```
Example 1:
Input: candidates = [10,1,2,7,6,1,5], target = 8
Output:
[
[1,1,6],
[1,2,5],
[1,7],
[2,6]
]
Example 2:
Input: candidates = [2,5,2,1,2], target = 5
Output:
[
[1,2,2],
[5]
]
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```
def combination_sum2(candidates, target):
        def backtrack(start, path, target):
             if target == 0:
    result.apper
                                d(path)
             for i in range(start, ler(candidates)):
   if i > start and candidates[i] == candidates[i - 1]:
                  if candidates[i] > target:
                  backtrack(i + 1, path + [candidates[i]], target - candidates[i])
        candidates.sort()
        result = []
backtrack(0, [], target)
        return result
18 # Example 1
19 candidates1 = [10, 1, 2, 7, 6, 1, 5]
20 target1 = 8
    print(combination_sum2(candidates1, target1))
23 # Example 2
24 \text{ candidates} 2 = [2, 5, 2, 1, 2]
    target2 = 5
    print(combination_sum2(candidates2, target2))
                                                                            input
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input

[[1, 1, 6], [1, 2, 5], [1, 7], [2, 6]]

[[1, 2, 2], [5]]
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9. Given an array nums of distinct integers, return all the possible permutations. You can return

the answer in any order.

Example 1:

Input: nums = [1,2,3]

Output: [[1,2,3],[1,3,2],[2,1,3],[2,3,1],[3,1,2],[3,2,1]]

Example 2:

Input: nums = [0,1] Output: [[0,1],[1,0]]

Example 3:

Input: nums = [1]

Output: [[1]]

10. Given a collection of numbers, nums, that might contain duplicates, return all possible unique

permutations in any order.

Example 1:

Input: nums = [1,1,2]

Output:

[[1,1,2],

[[1,1,2],

[1,2,1], [2,1,1]]

Example 2:

Input: nums = [1,2,3]

Output: [[1,2,3],[1,3,2],[2,1,3],[2,3,1],[3,1,2],[3,2,1]]

```
from typing import List
   3 def permuteUnique(nums: List[int]) -> List[List[int]]:
          def backtrack(start):
               if start == len(nums):
    result.append(nums[:])
               seen = set()
                              e(start, len(nums)):
               for i in ra
                   if nums[i] in seen:
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                   seen.add(nums[i])
  12
                   nums[start], nums[i] = nums[i], nums[start]
  13
                   backtrack(start + 1)
nums[start], nums[i] = nums[i], nums[start]
          result = []
  17
          nums.so
                    t()
          backtrack(0)
           return result
  21 print(permuteUnique([1, 1, 2]))
      print(permuteUnique([1, 2, 3]))
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[[1, 1, 2], [1, 2, 1], [2, 1, 1]]
[[1, 2, 3], [1, 3, 2], [2, 1, 3], [2, 3, 1], [3, 2, 1], [3, 1, 2]]
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