TASK:8

Implementation of **N-queen problem using backtracking algorithm.**

Implementation of N-queen problem using backtracking algorithm using python. In the 4 Queens problem the object is to place 4 queens on a chessboard in such a way that no queens can capture a piece. This means that no two queens may be placed on the same row, column, or diagonal.

Tools: Python

PROBLEM STATEMENT: S3 In a distant kingdom, the Queen is challenged with a classic chess puzzle called the N- Queens problem. She must place N queens on an N×N chessboard in such a way that no two queens threaten each other. This means that no two queens can be in the same row, the same column, or on the same diagonal.

The Queen wants to find one valid arrangement of the queens that satisfies these conditions, so she can demonstrate a solution to her court. Using her knowledge of chess and logical reasoning, she seeks a methodical approach to place the queens one by one, backtracking whenever a conflict arises, until a safe configuration is found.

IMPLEMENTATION OF N-QUEEN PROBLEM

USING BACKTRACKING ALGORITHM

AIM

To Implement N-Queen's problem by using backtracking algorithm using python.

ALGORITHM

1. Initializeboard:CreateanN×Nchessboardandsetallcellstoempty.

2. Startatfirstcolumn:Beginplacingqueensinthefirstcolumn.

3. Placequeen:Attempttoplaceaqueeninthecurrentcolumn,startingfromthefirst row.

4. Checksafety:Beforeplacing,checkifthecellissafe(nootherqueeninthesamerow, column, or diagonal).

5. Placeifsafe:Ifthepositionissafe,placethequeeninthatcell.

6. Movetonextcolumn:Recursivelyattempttoplaceaqueeninthenextcolumn.

7. Backtrack if needed: If no safe position is found in a column, remove the previously placed queen (backtrack) and try the next row in the previous column.

8. Repeatsteps3–7:Continueuntilallqueensareplacedsuccessfullyorallpossibilities are exhausted.

9. Solution found: Once N queens are placed safely, stop recursion and record this arrangement as a solution.

10. Display solution: Print the board showing the positions of the N queens.

PROGRAM

N-Queens Problem

```python
def is_safe(board, row, col, N):
    # Check this row on the left
    for i in range(col):
        if board[row][i] == 1:
            return False
    # Check upper diagonal on left side
    for i, j in zip(range(row, -1, -1), range(col, -1, -1)):
        if board[i][j] == 1:
            return False
    # Check lower diagonal on left side
    for i, j in zip(range(row, N, 1), range(col, -1, -1)):
        if board[i][j] == 1:
            return False
    return True


def solve_nqueens_one_solution(board, col, N):
    if col >= N:
        return True  # Found one solution
    for row in range(N):
        if is_safe(board, row, col, N):
            board[row][col] = 1
            if solve_nqueens_one_solution(board, col + 1, N):
                return True
            board[row][col] = 0  # backtrack
    return False


def print_solution(board, N):
    for row in board:
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```python
        print(" ".join('Q' if x else '.' for x in row))


# Example: Solve 4-Queens
N=4
board = [[0]*N for _ in range(N)]


if solve_nqueens_one_solution(board, 0, N):
print(f"One solution for {N}-Queens:")
print_solution(board, N)
else:
    print(f"No solution exists for {N}-Queens")
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OUTPUT

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========================= RESTART: D:/VTU26778/task8.py ==
One solution for 4-Queens:
. . Q .
Q . . .
. . . Q
. Q . .
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RESULT

Thus, the Implementation of N-queen problem using backtracking algorithm using Python was successfully executed and output was verified.