

# Queue

**Operations Enqueue, Dequeue, Front, Empty....  
Cyclic queue implementation**

**Breadth-first search (BFS) in a binary tree  
with the help of a queue**

# Stack

**Operations pop, push, Empty...**

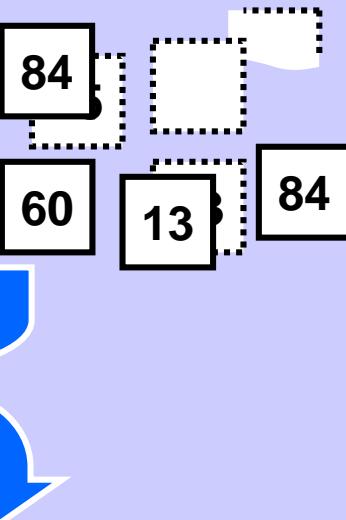
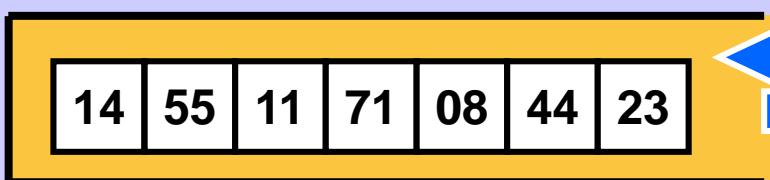
**Processing a tree or a recursive task with  
the help of a stack**

# Stack

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Stack bottom

Stack top



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Elements are removed from the stack top and then they are processed.

Operation names

Put at the top

Push

Remove from the top

Pop

Read the top

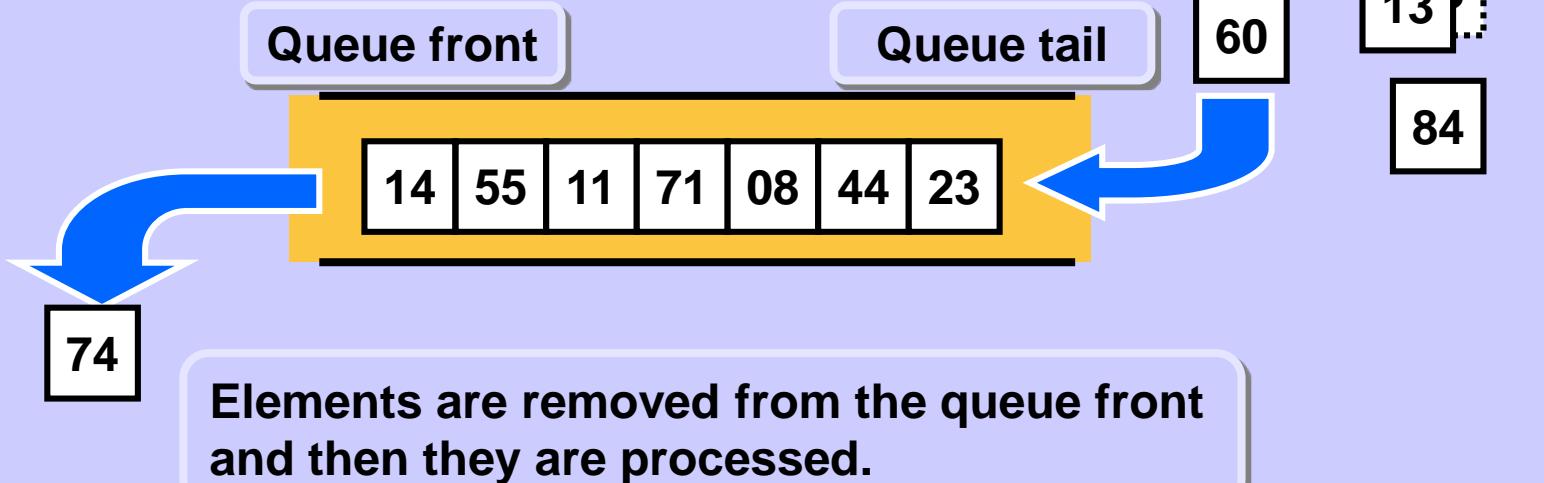
Top

Is the stack empty?

Empty

# Queue

Elements are stored at the queue tail before they are processed.



## Operation names

Insert at the tail

Remove from the front

Read the front elem

Is the queue empty?

Enqueue / InsertLast / Push ...

Dequeue / delFront / Pop ...

Front / Peek ...

Empty

# Queue

Easy example  
of a queue  
life cycle.

Empty

Front

Tail

Insert(24)

24

Insert(11)

24 11

Insert(90)

24 11 90

DelFront()

11 90

Insert(43)

11 90 43

DelFront()

90 43

DelFront()

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Insert(79)

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# Cyclic queue implementation in an array

An empty queue in a fixed length array

Insert 24, 11, 90, 43, 70.

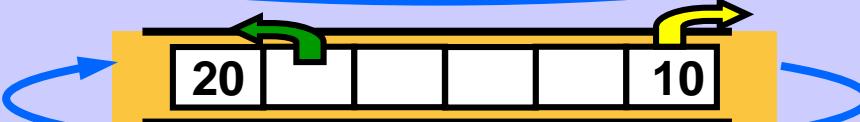
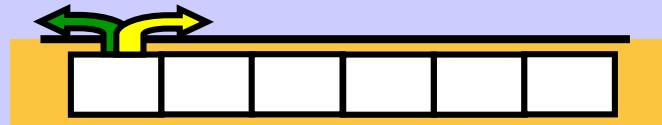
DelFront, DelFront, DelFront .

Insert 10, 20.

DelFront, DelFront .

Insert 55, 22, 33.

DelFront, DelFront .



## Cyclic queue implementation in an array

Tail index points to the first free position behind the last queue element.

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When both indices point to the same position the queue is empty.

```

class Queue:
    def __init__(self, sizeOfQ):
        self.size = sizeOfQ
        self.q = [None] * sizeOfQ
        self.front = 0
        self.tail = 0

    def isEmpty(self):
        return (self.tail == self.front)

    def Enqueue(self, node):
        if self.tail+1 == self.front or \
            self.tail - self.front == self.size-1:
            pass                                # implement overflow fix here
        self.q[self.tail] = node
        self.tail = (self.tail + 1) % self.size

```

**Continue...**

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... continued

```
def Dequeue(self):
    node = self.q[self.front]
    self.front = (self.front + 1) % self.size
    return node

def pop(self):
    return self.Dequeue()

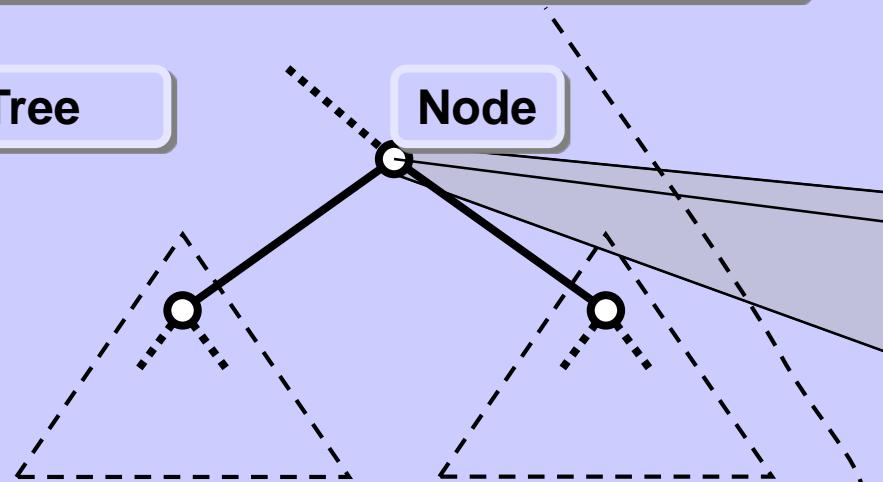
def push(self, node):
    self.Enqueue(node)
```

## TREES, BINARY TREES

**Traversing a tree with  
Breadth-First Search (BFS)**

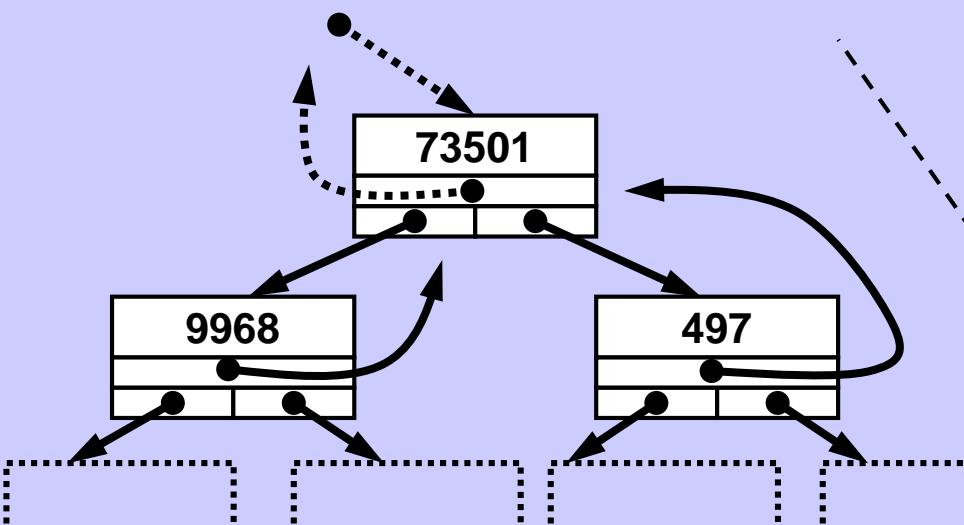
## Binary tree implementation -- Python

Tree



Node representation

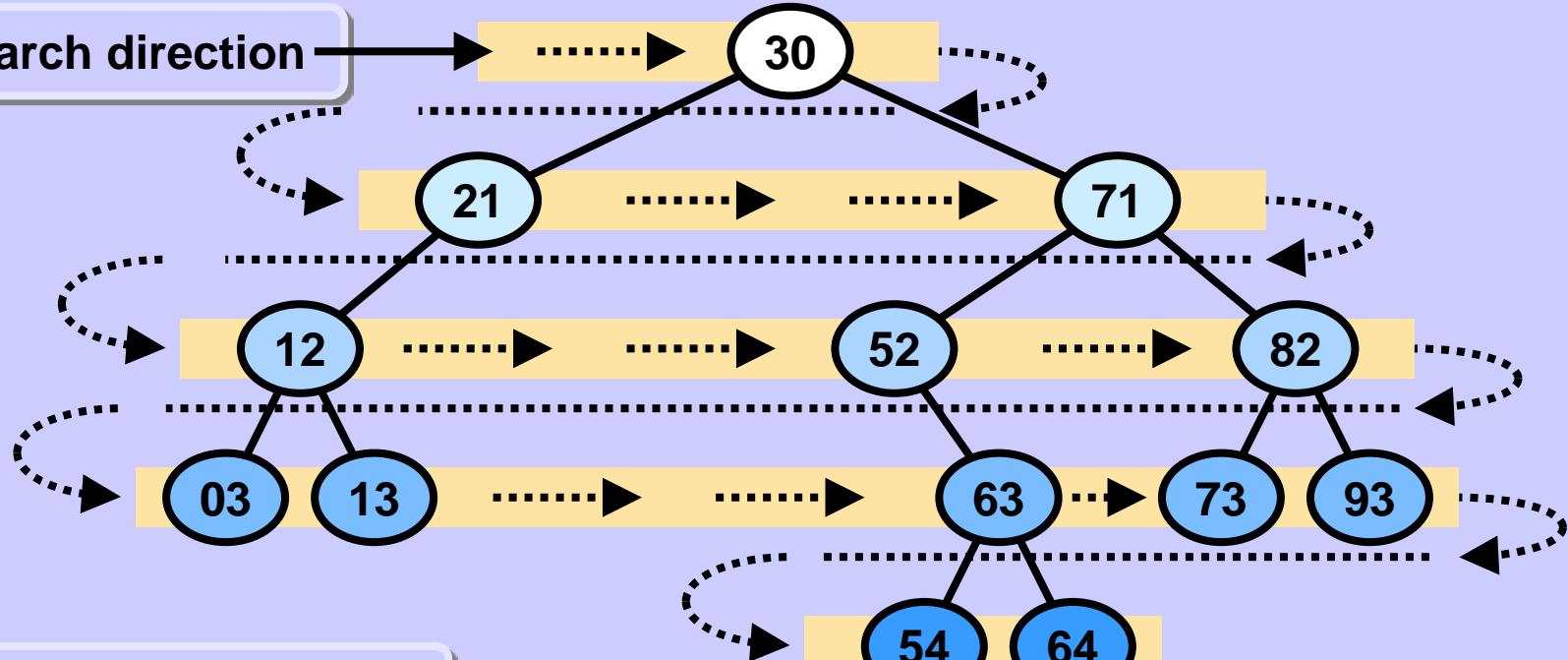
	key
	parent
left	right



```
class Node:
    def __init__(self, key):
        self.left = None
        self.right = None
        self.parent = None
        self.key = key
        # sometimes, parent
        # might be omitted
        # or not used at all
```

## Breadth-first search (BFS) of a tree

Search direction



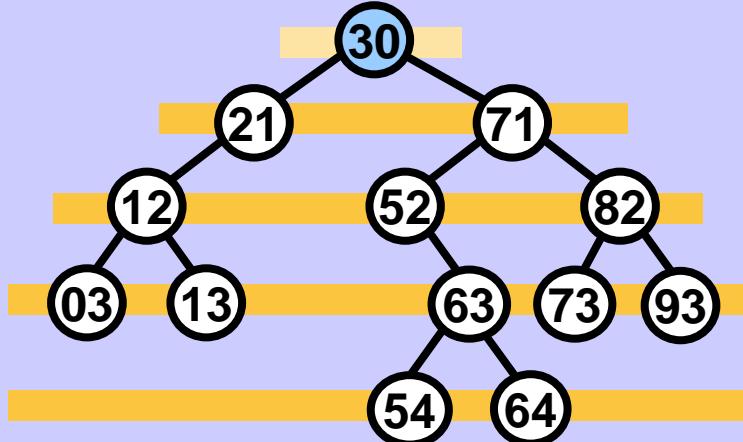
Order of visited nodes

30 21 71 12 52 82 03 13 63 73 93 54 64

Nor the tree structure nor the recursion support this approach directly.

# Breadth-first search (BFS) of a tree

## Initialization



Create an empty queue.



Enqueue the tree root.



Output

Front

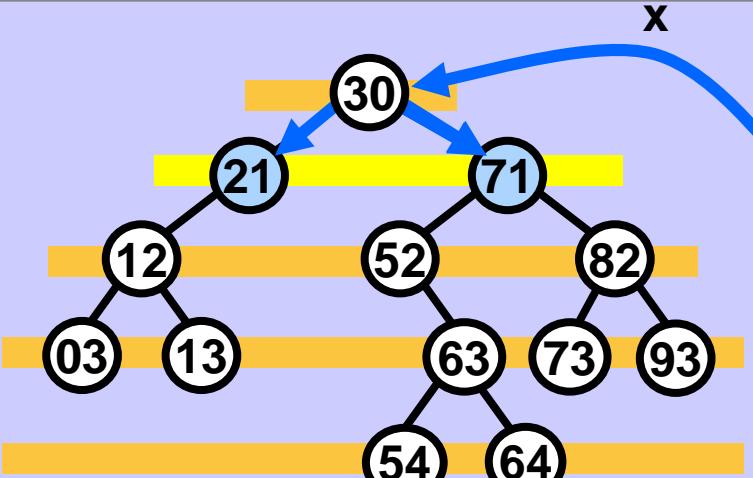
Tail

## Main loop

While the queue is not empty do:

1. Remove the first element from the queue and process it.
2. Enqueue the children of removed element.

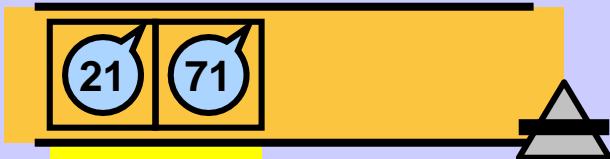
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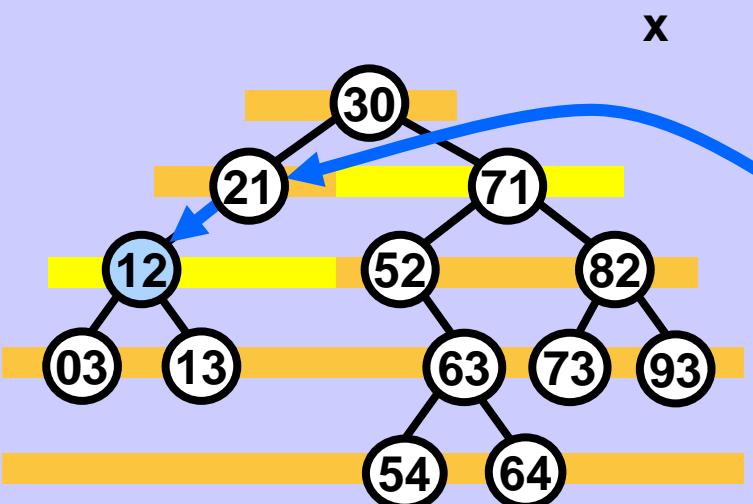


2.  $\text{Enqueue}(x.\text{left})$ ,  $\text{Enqueue}(x.\text{right})$ . \*



Output

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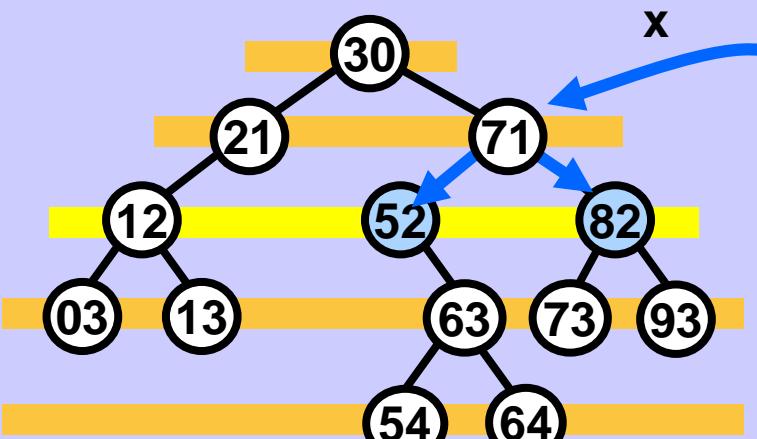


Output

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\*) if exists

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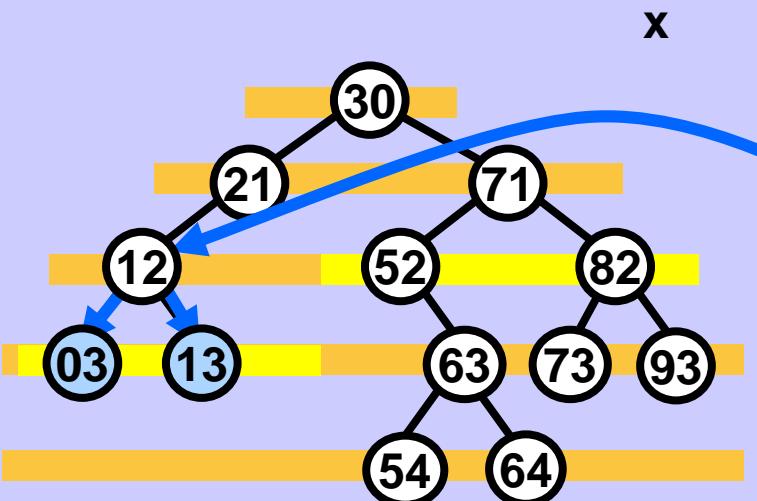
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Output

30 21 71



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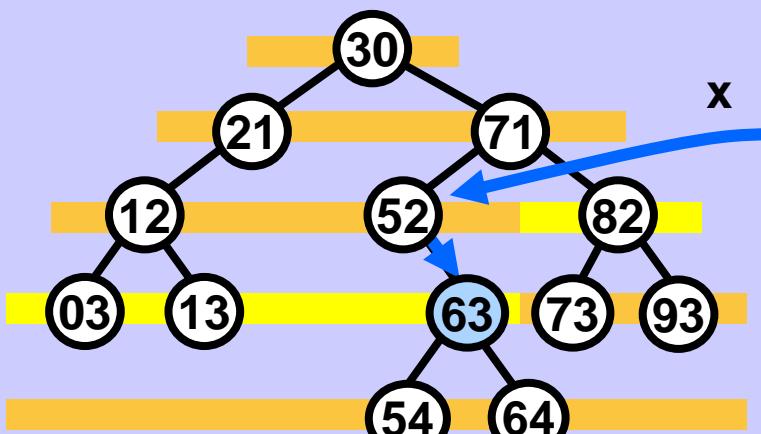


Output

30 21 71 12

\*) if exists

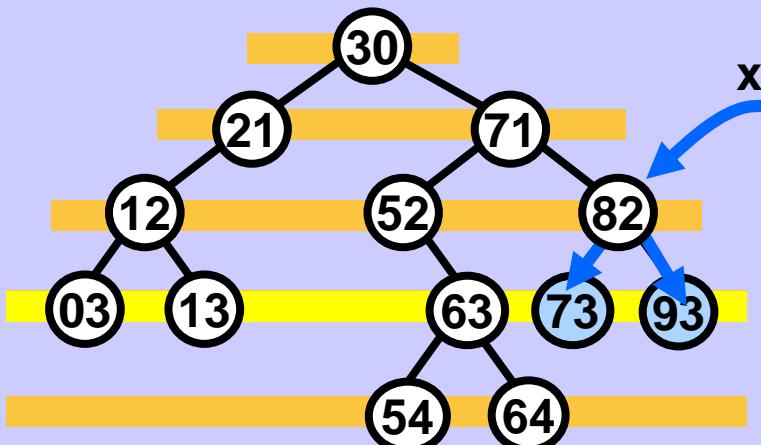
# Breadth-first search (BFS) of a tree



# Output

**30 21 71 12 52**

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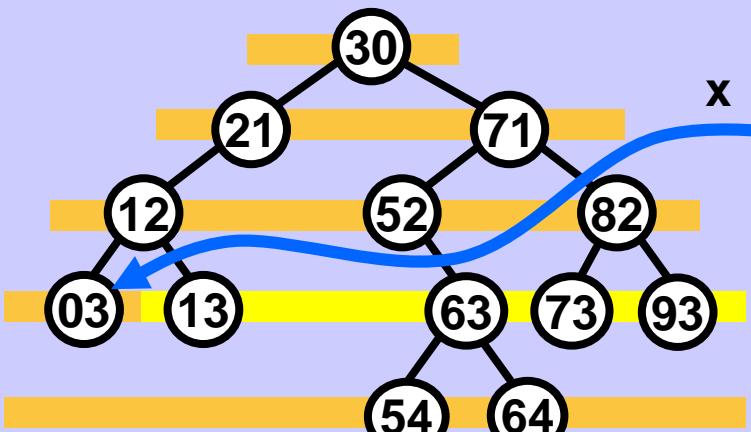


## Output

**30 21 71 12 52 82**

- The diagram illustrates a queue operation. On the left, there is a blue curved arrow pointing right, above the number '32' inside a white circle. To its right is a yellow rectangular box divided into three equal sections by vertical lines. Each section contains a white circle with a black border. The first circle contains the number '03', the second '13', and the third '63'. Below this box is a horizontal line with arrows at both ends, indicating it is scrollable. To the left of this line is a large number '2.' followed by the text 'Enqueue(x.left), Enqueue(x.right). \*')'. At the bottom right, there is a grey triangle pointing upwards, and below it is a white box containing the text '\*') if exists'.

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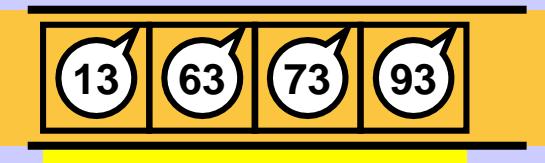
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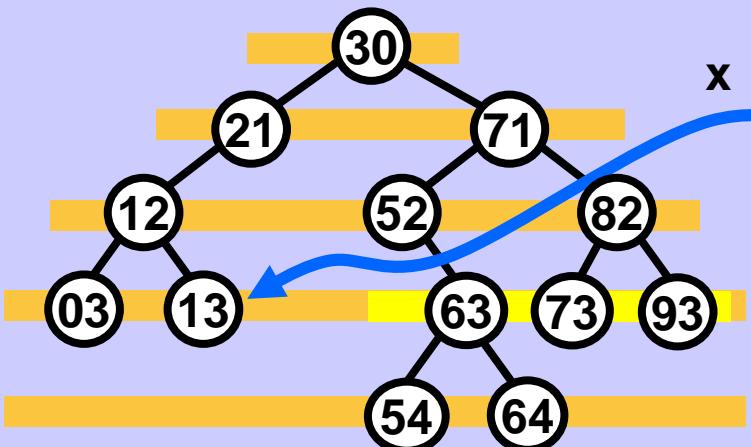
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Output

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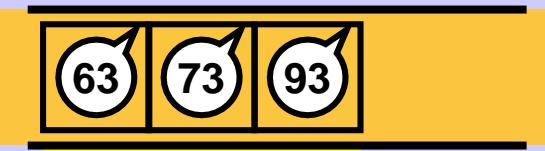
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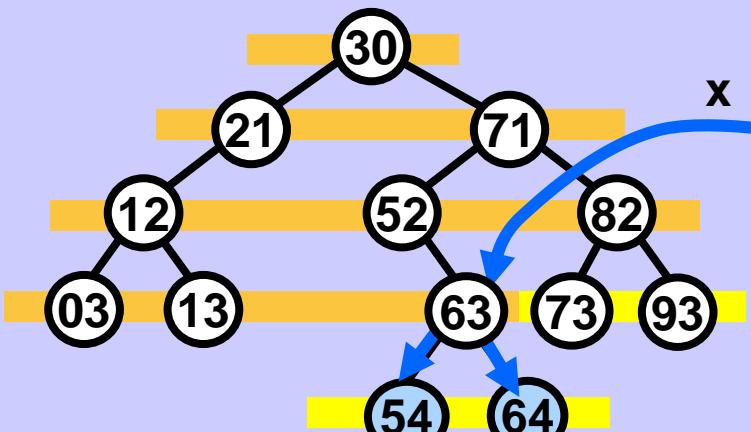


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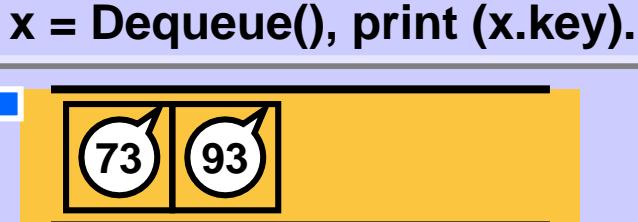
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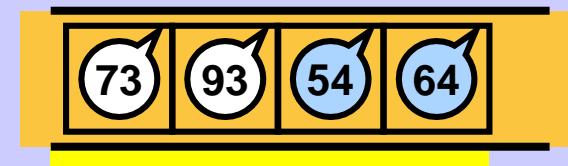
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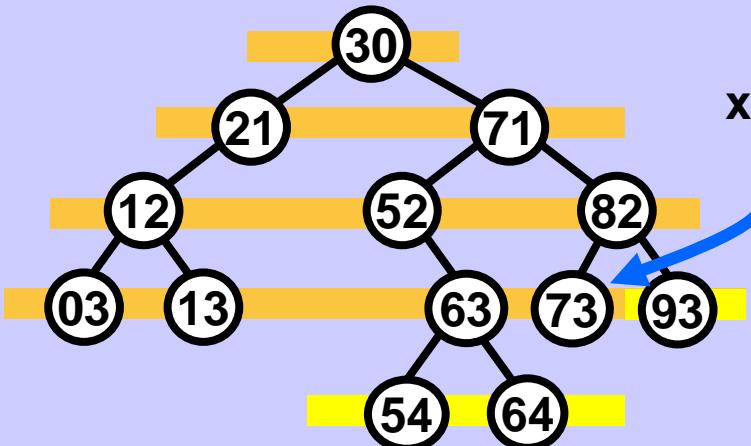
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Output

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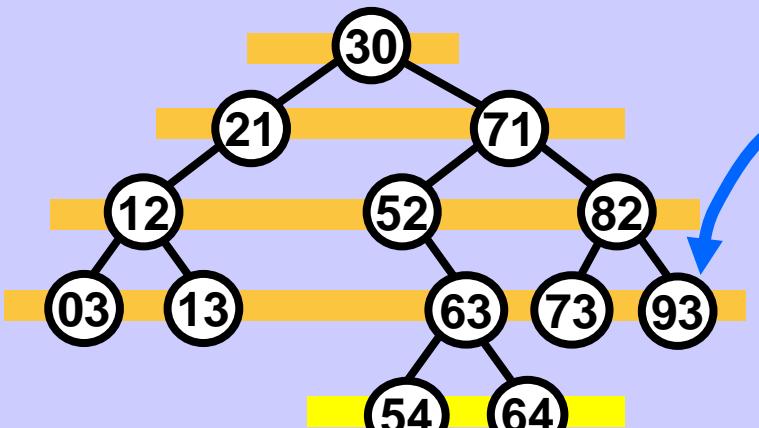


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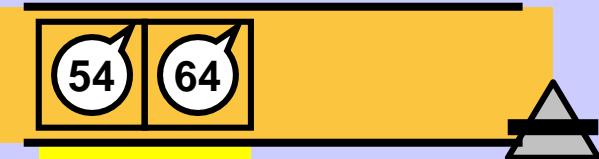
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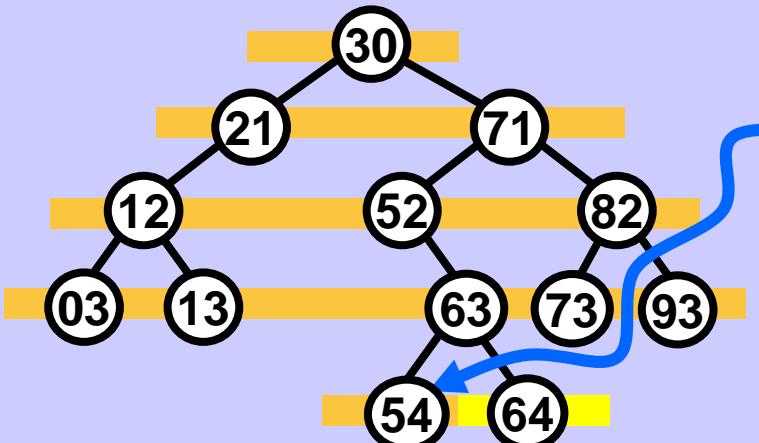
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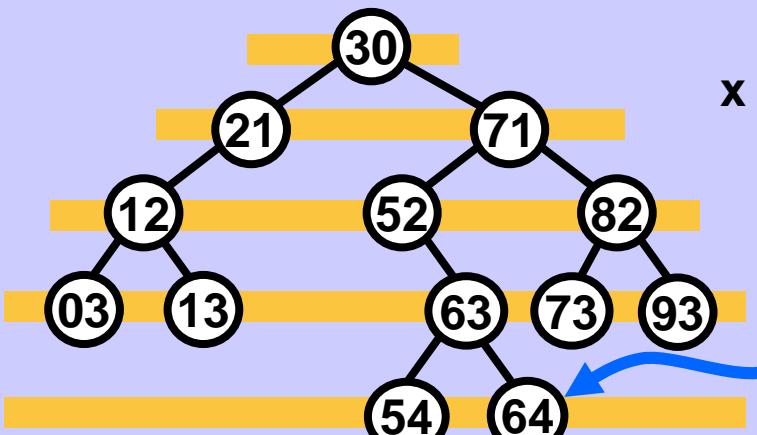


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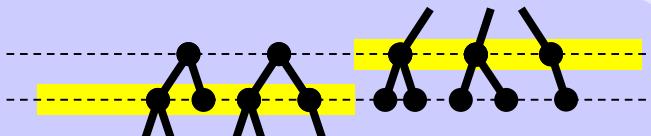
Output

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\*) if exists.

The queue is empty,  
BFS is complete.

An unempty **queue** always contains exactly  
-- some (or all) nodes of one level and  
-- all children of those nodes of this level which have already left the queue.



Sometimes the queue contains just nodes of one level. See above:



## TREES, STACK

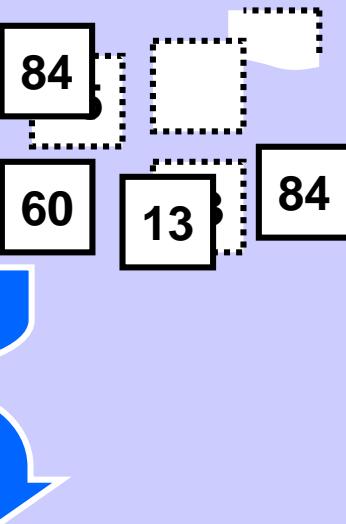
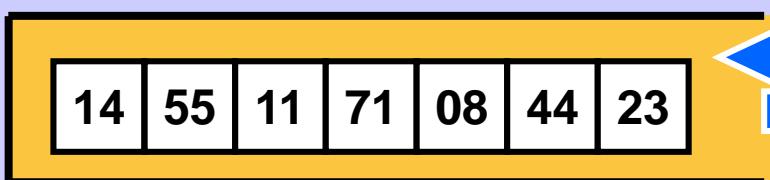
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Read the top

Top

Is the stack empty?

Empty

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\* Push each node (item to be processed) to the stack.

While processing an item

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Stop when the stack is empty.

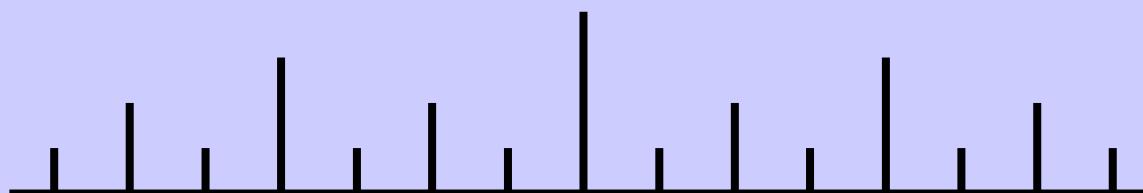
# Simple recursive example

Binary ruler

Ruler notches

Notch lengths

Print the lengths  
of all notches

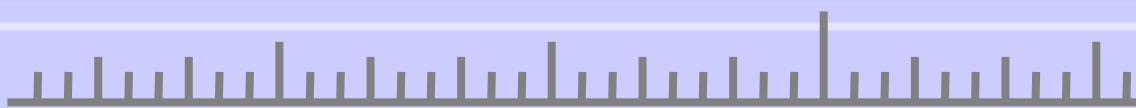


1 2 1 3 1 2 1 4 1 2 1 3 1 2 1

```
def ruler( val ):
    if val < 1: return
    ruler( val-1 )
    print( val, end = ' ' )
    ruler( val-1 )
```

Call: ruler(4)

Exercise: Ternary ruler:



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# Simple recursive example

## Binary ruler vs. Inorder traversal

Ruler

```
def ruler( val ):  
    if val < 1: return  
    ruler( val-1 )  
    print( val, end=' ' )  
    ruler( val-1 )
```

Inorder

```
def listInOrder( self, node ):  
    if node == None: return  
    self.listInOrder( node.left )  
    print( node.key, end = " " )  
    self.listInOrder( node.right )
```

Structurally identical!

Ruler output

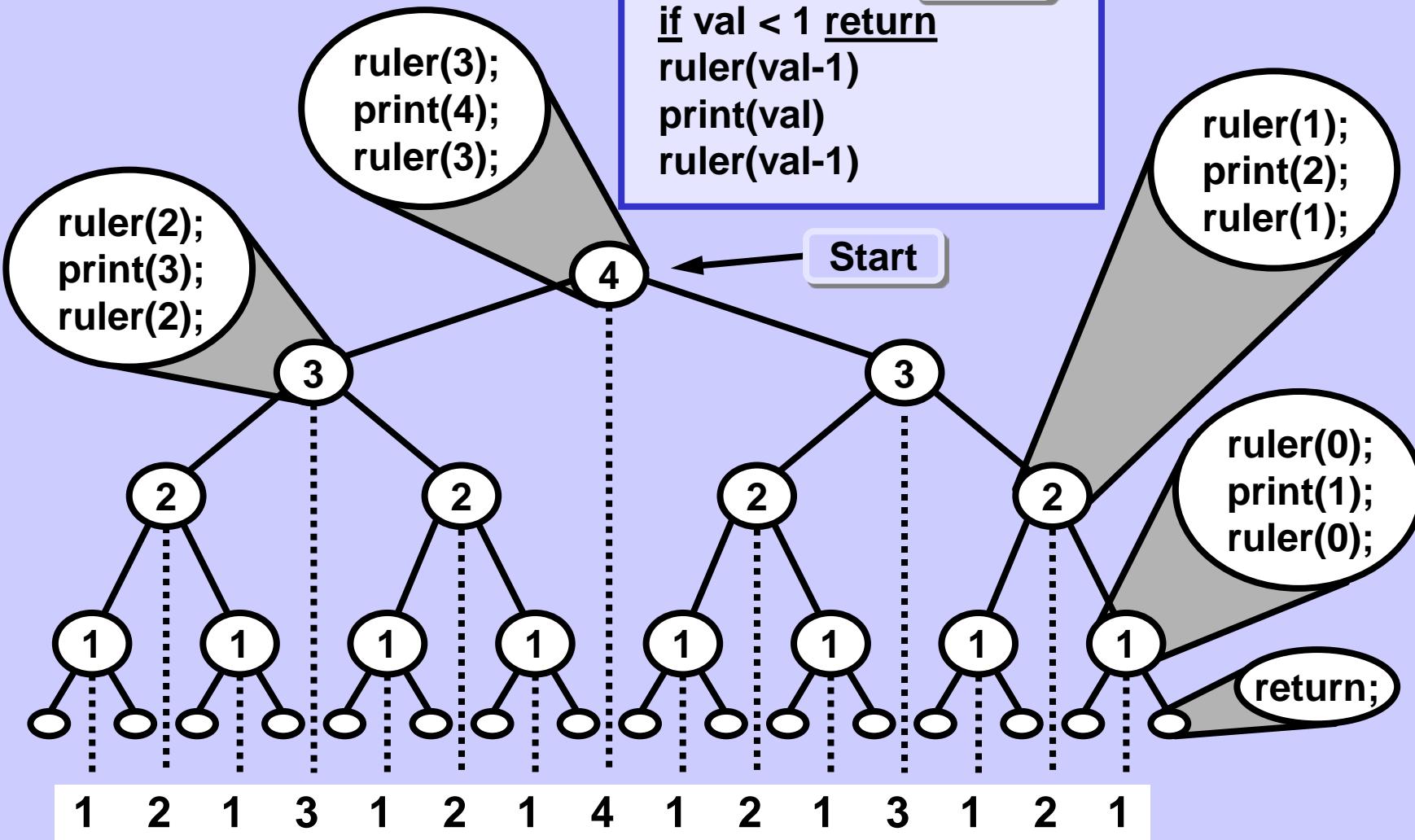
1 2 1 3 1 2 1 4 1 2 1 3 1 2 1

# Simple recursive example

Binary ruler calls

Code

```
if val < 1 return
ruler(val-1)
print(val)
ruler(val-1)
```



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# Stack implements recursion

Binary ruler

Detail of recursion tree

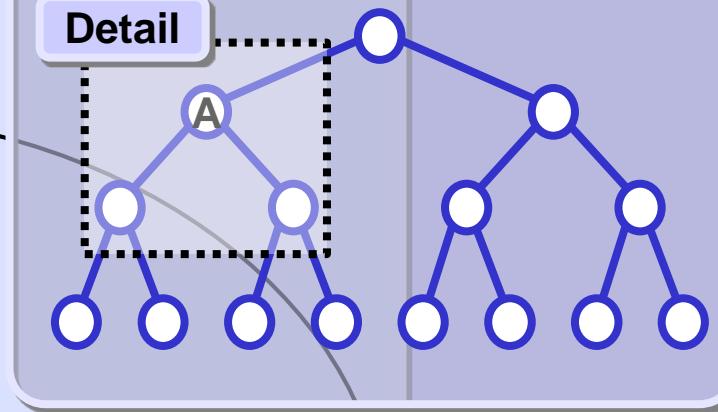
Progress of the algorithm

Recursion tree

Node A  
visited  
0 times

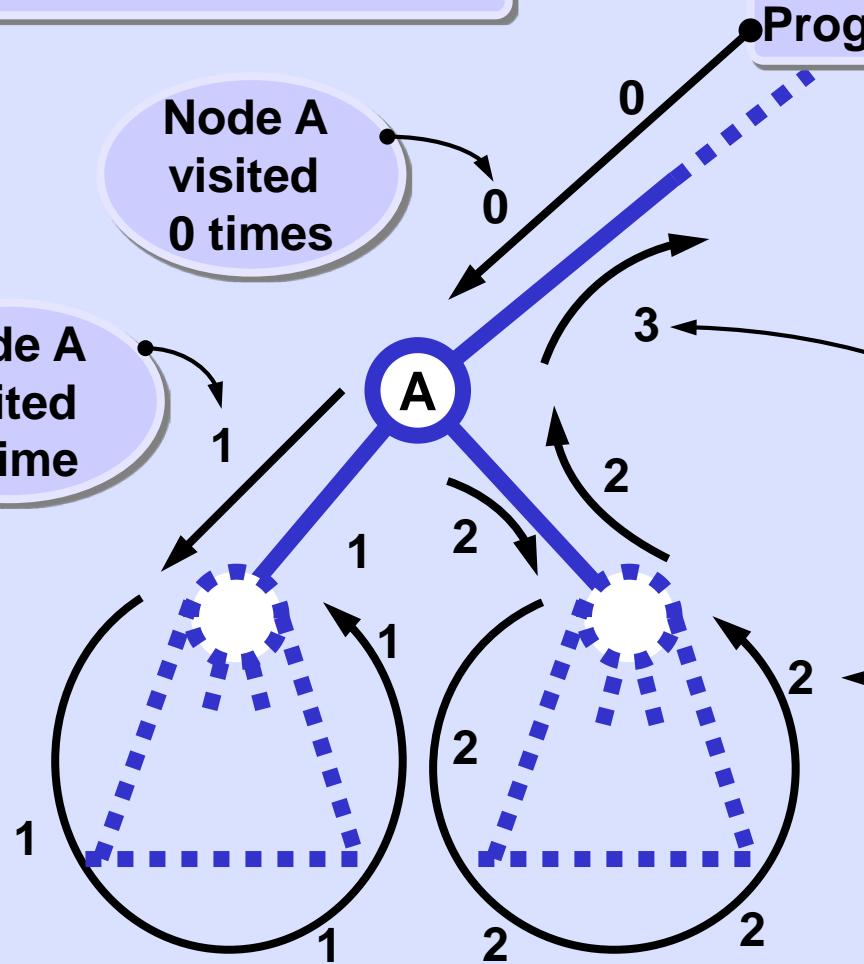
Node A  
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1 time

Detail



Node A  
visited  
2 times

Node A  
visited  
3 times



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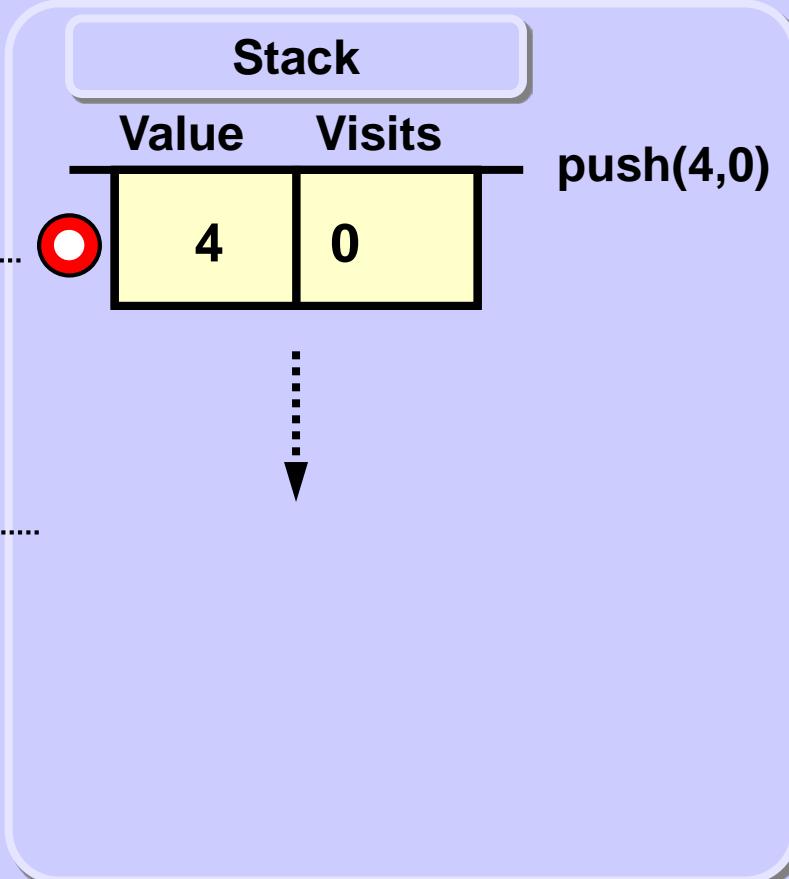
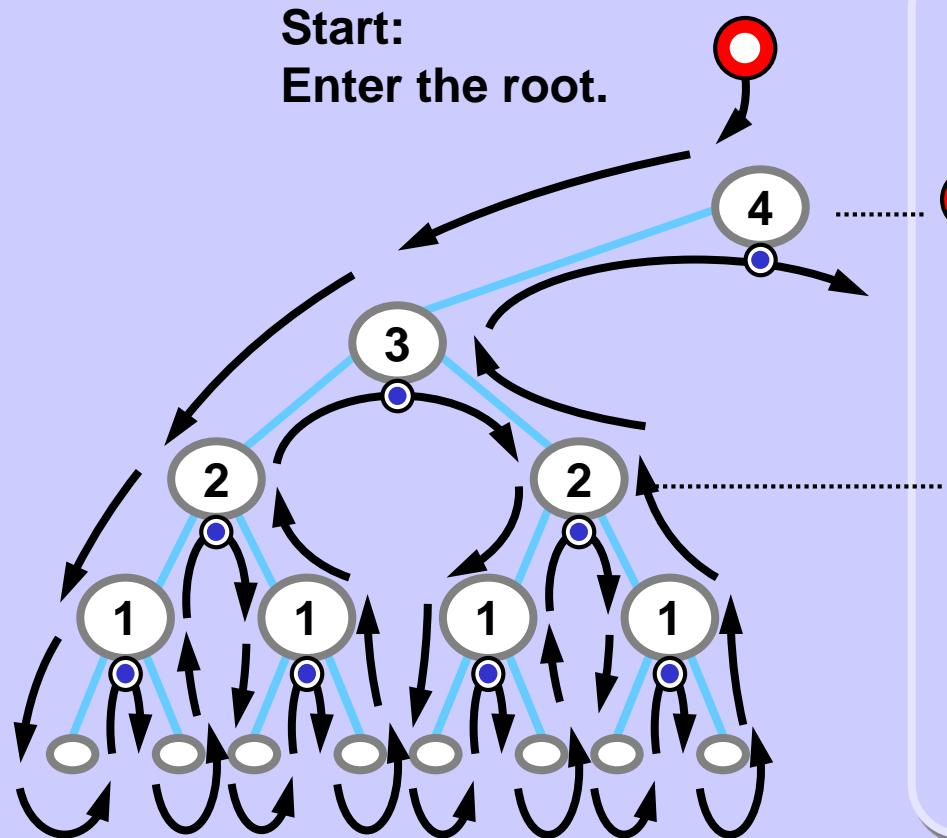
3. \* Pop the processed element from the stack.

Stop when the stack is empty.

# Stack implements recursion

Each frame in the following sequence shows the situation right BEFORE processing a node.

 Current position

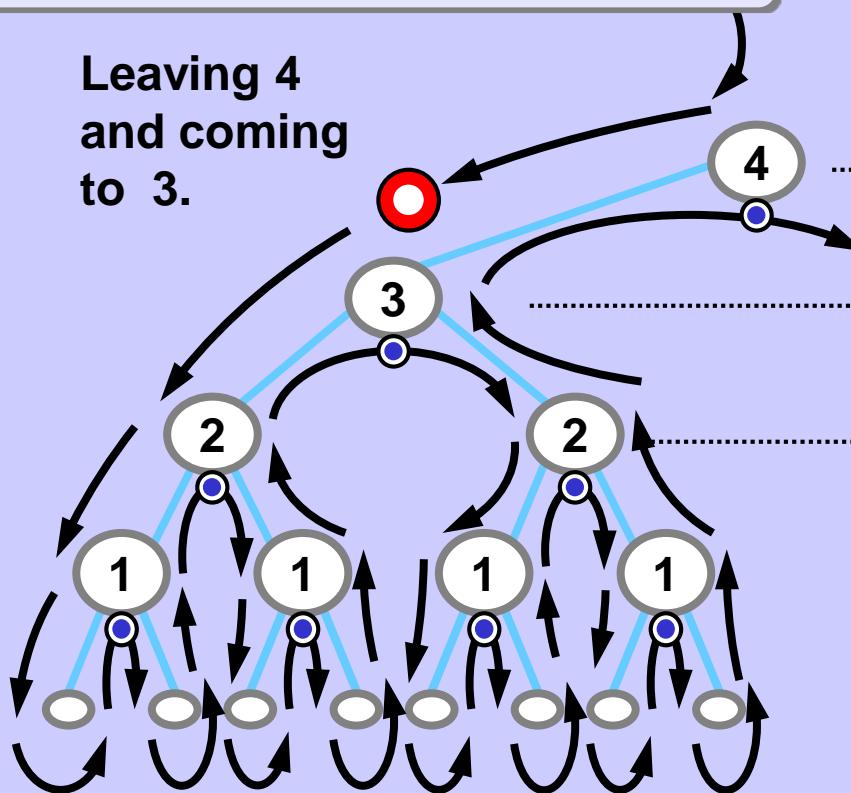


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# Stack implements recursion

## Recursion tree traversal

Leaving 4  
and coming  
to 3.



## Stack

Value	Visits
4	1
3	0

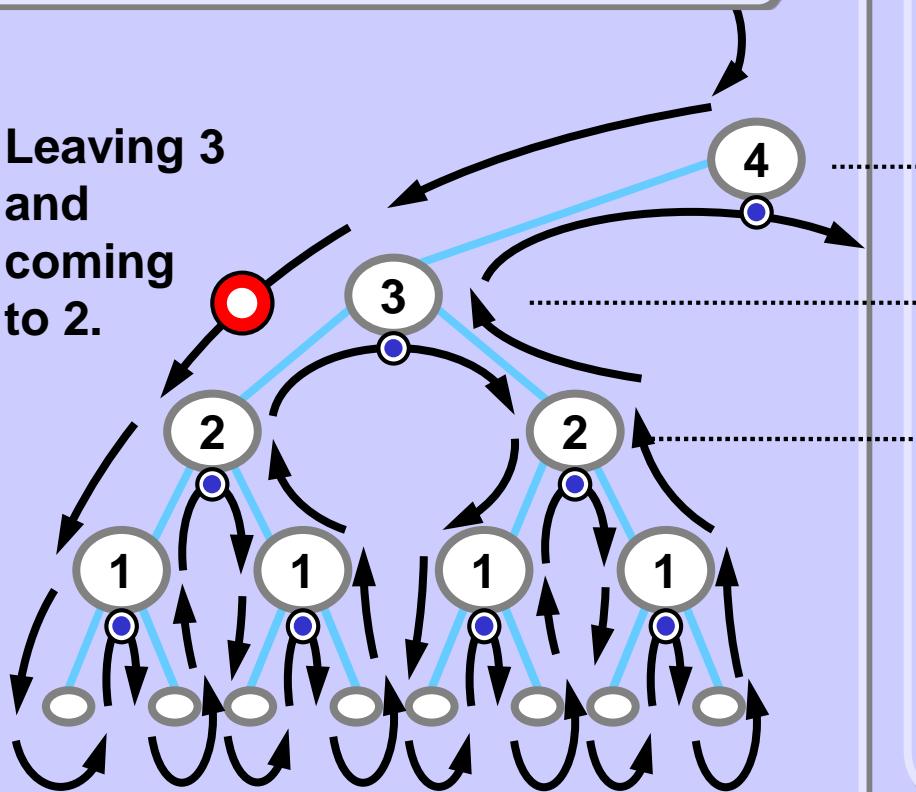
push(3,0)

Output

# Stack implements recursion

## Recursion tree traversal

Leaving 3  
and  
coming  
to 2.



## Stack

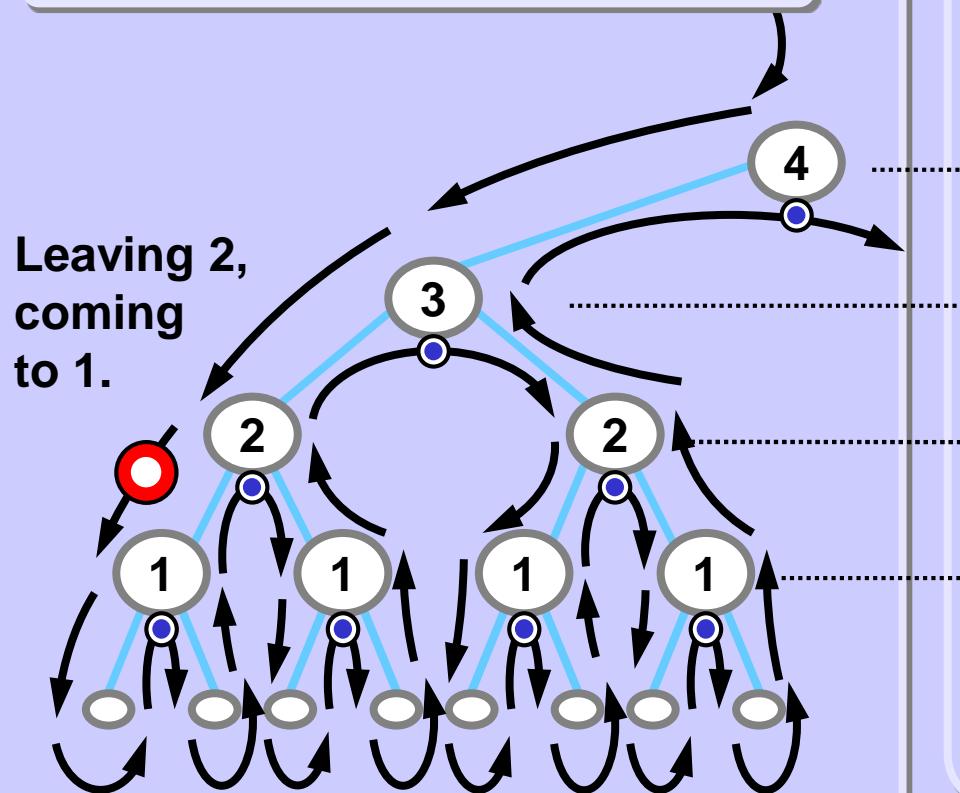
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4	1
3	1
2	0

push(2,0)

Output

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## Recursion tree traversal



## Stack

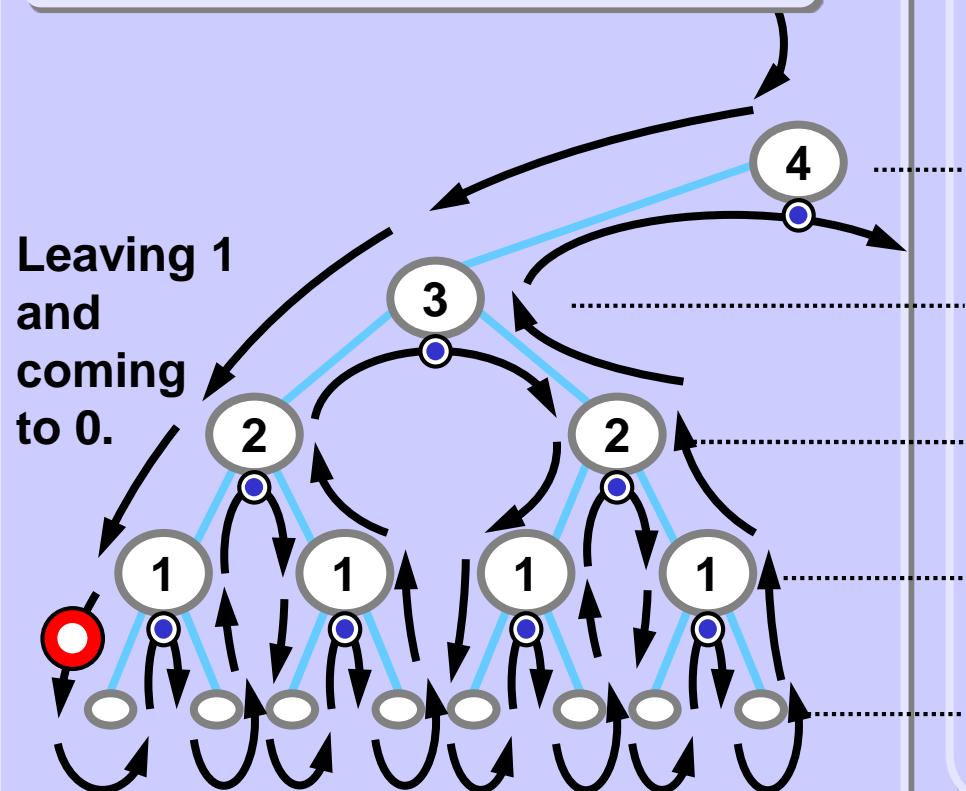
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3	1
2	1
1	0

push(1,0)

Output

# Stack implements recursion

Recursion tree traversal



Stack

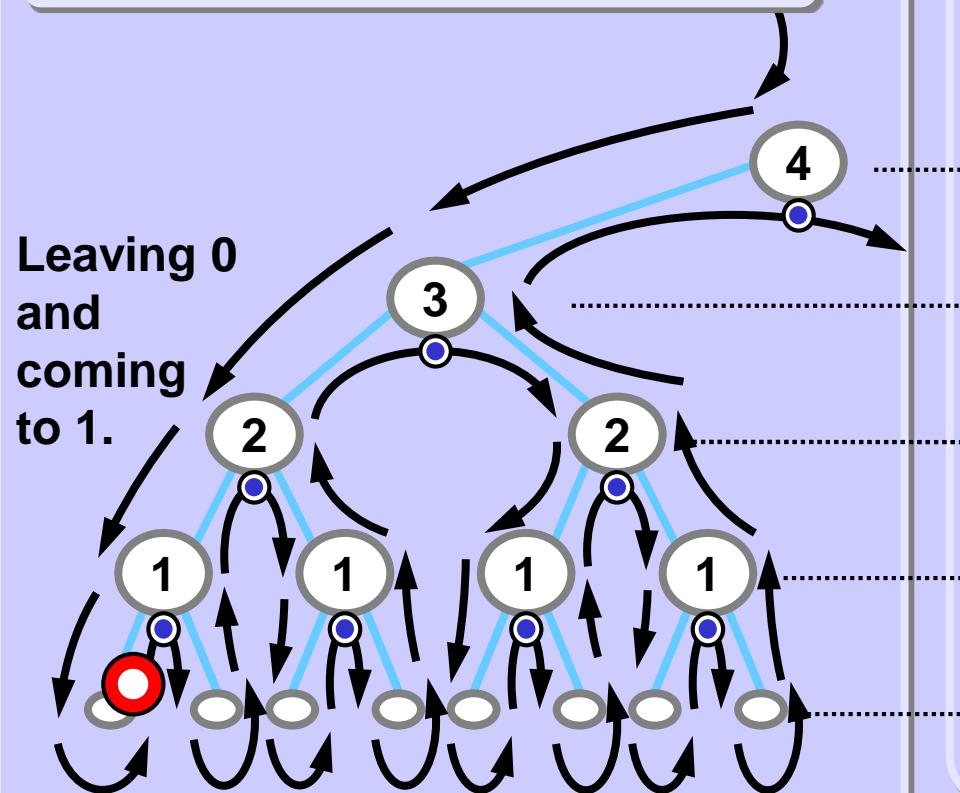
Value	Visits
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2	1
1	1
0	0

push(0,0)

Output

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## Recursion tree traversal



## Stack

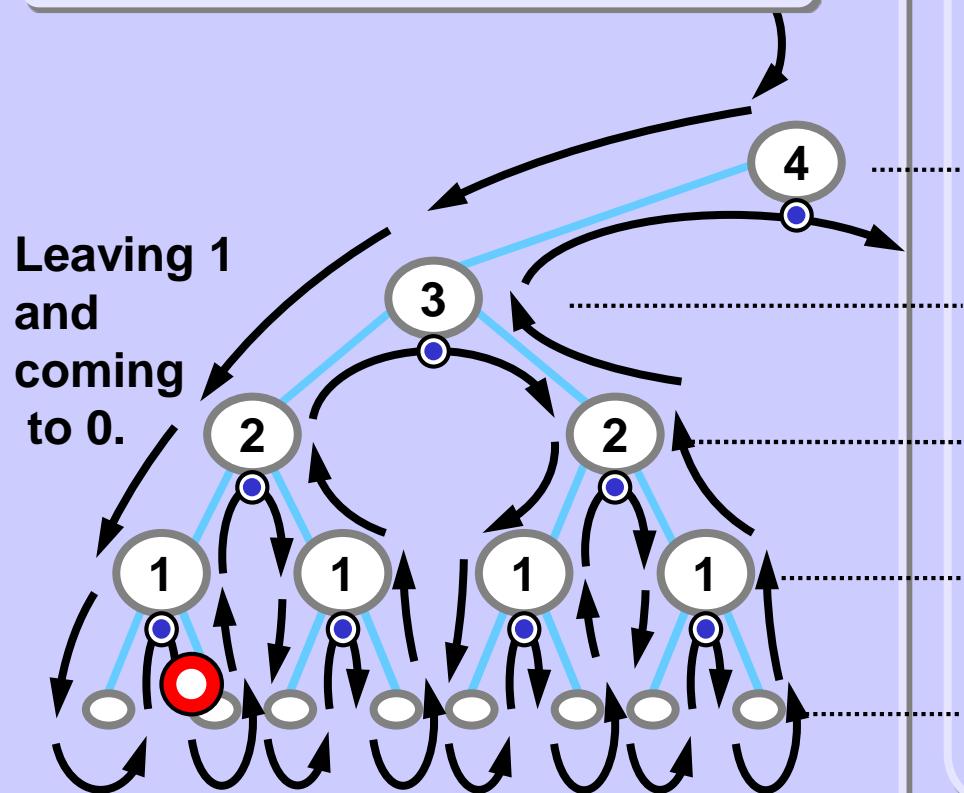
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2	1
1	1
0	0

pop()

Output

# Stack implements recursion

## Recursion tree traversal



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## Stack

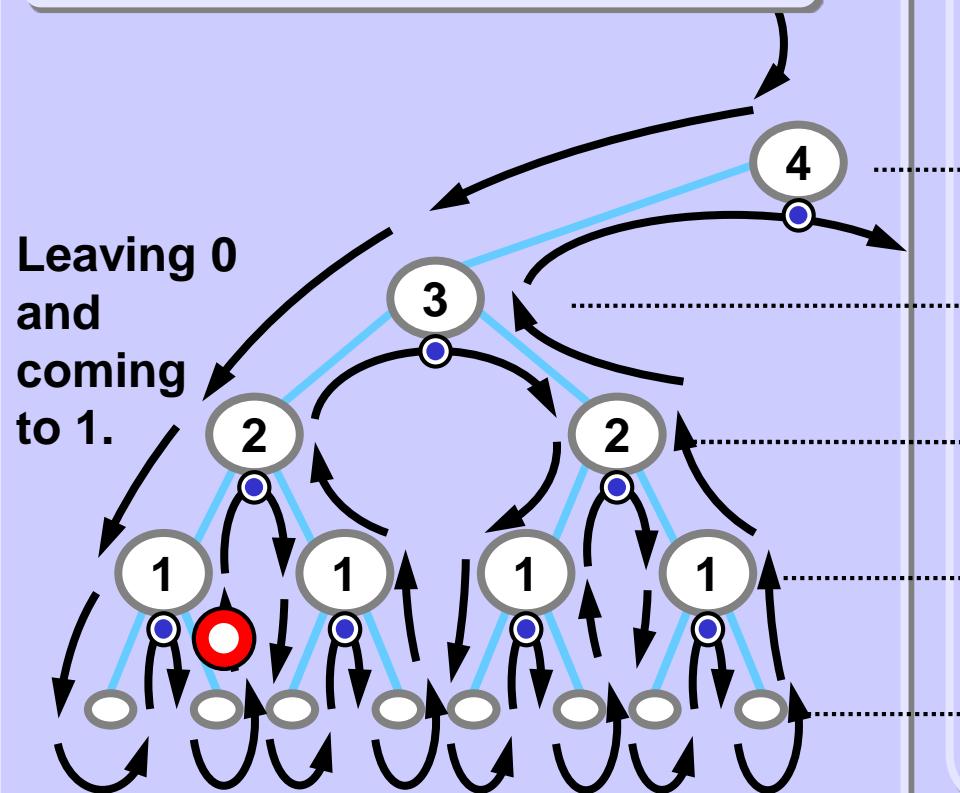
Value	Visits
4	1
3	1
2	1
1	2
0	0

push(0,0)

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# Stack implements recursion

## Recursion tree traversal



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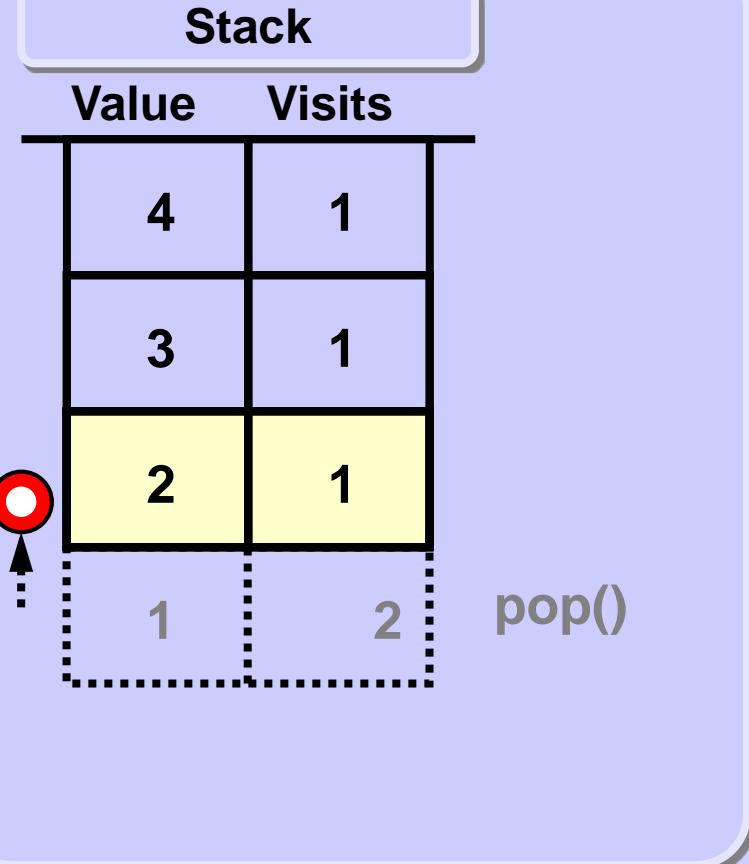
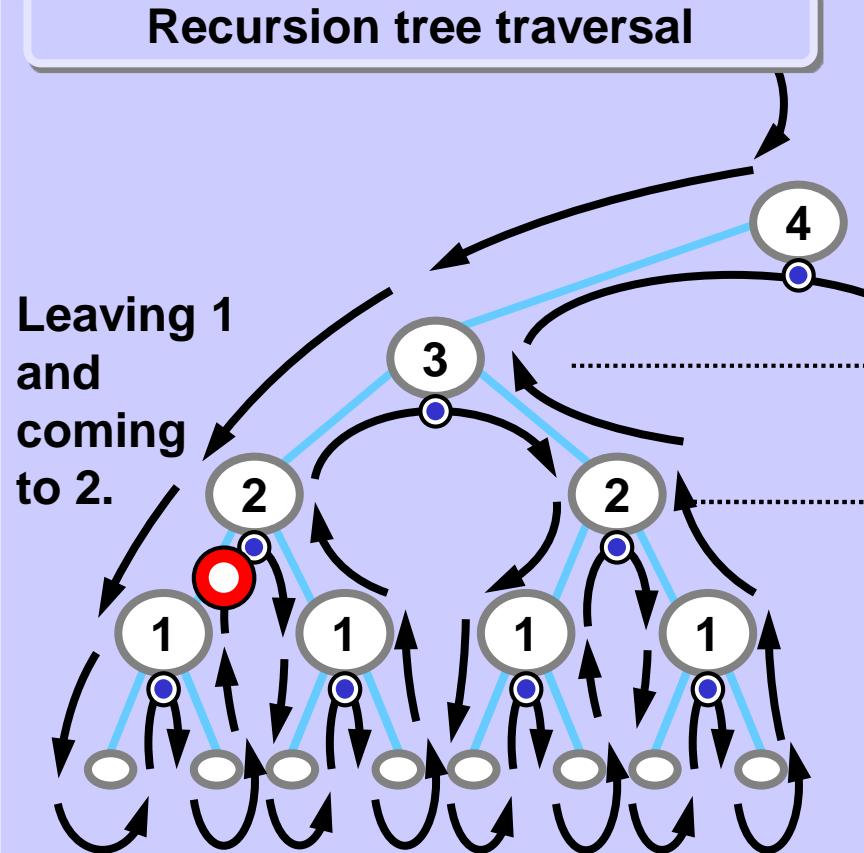
## Stack

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4	1
3	1
2	1
1	2
0	0

pop()

Output

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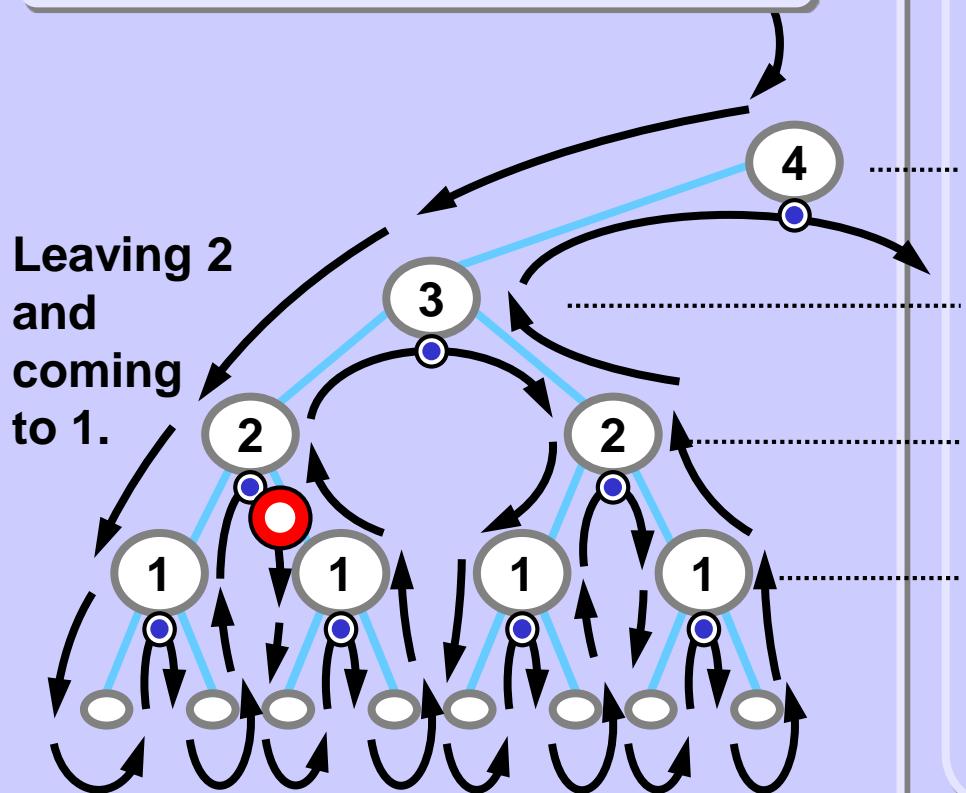


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Output

# Stack implements recursion

## Recursion tree traversal



1 2

## Stack

Value	Visits
4	1
3	1
2	2
1	0

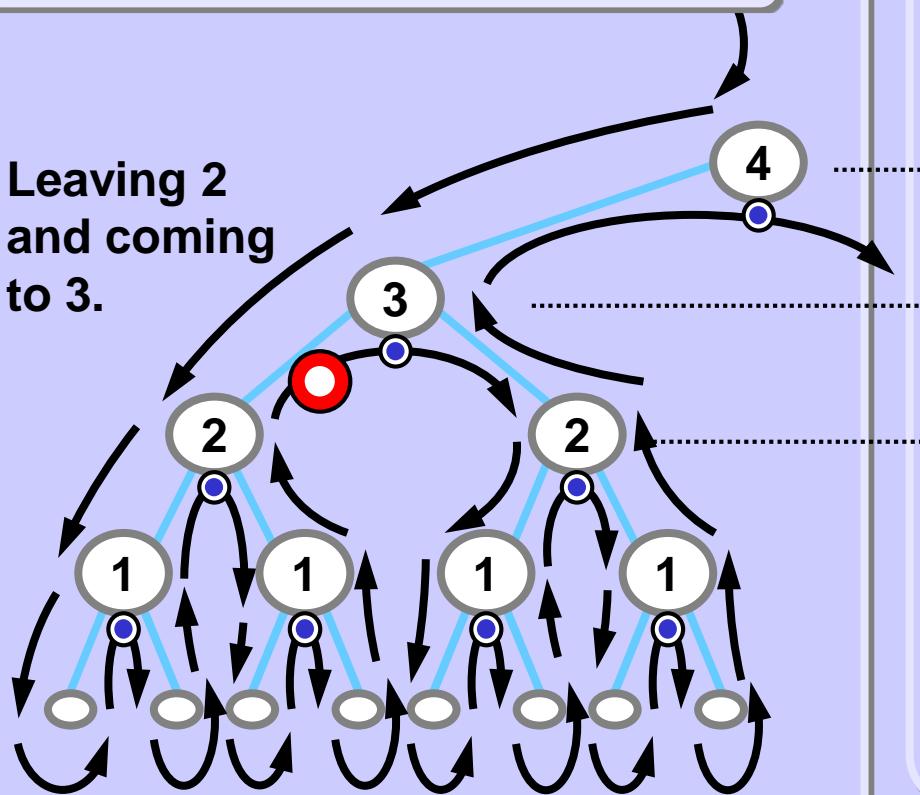
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etc...

# Stack implements recursion

... after a while ...

## Recursion tree traversal

Leaving 2  
and coming  
to 3.



1 2 1

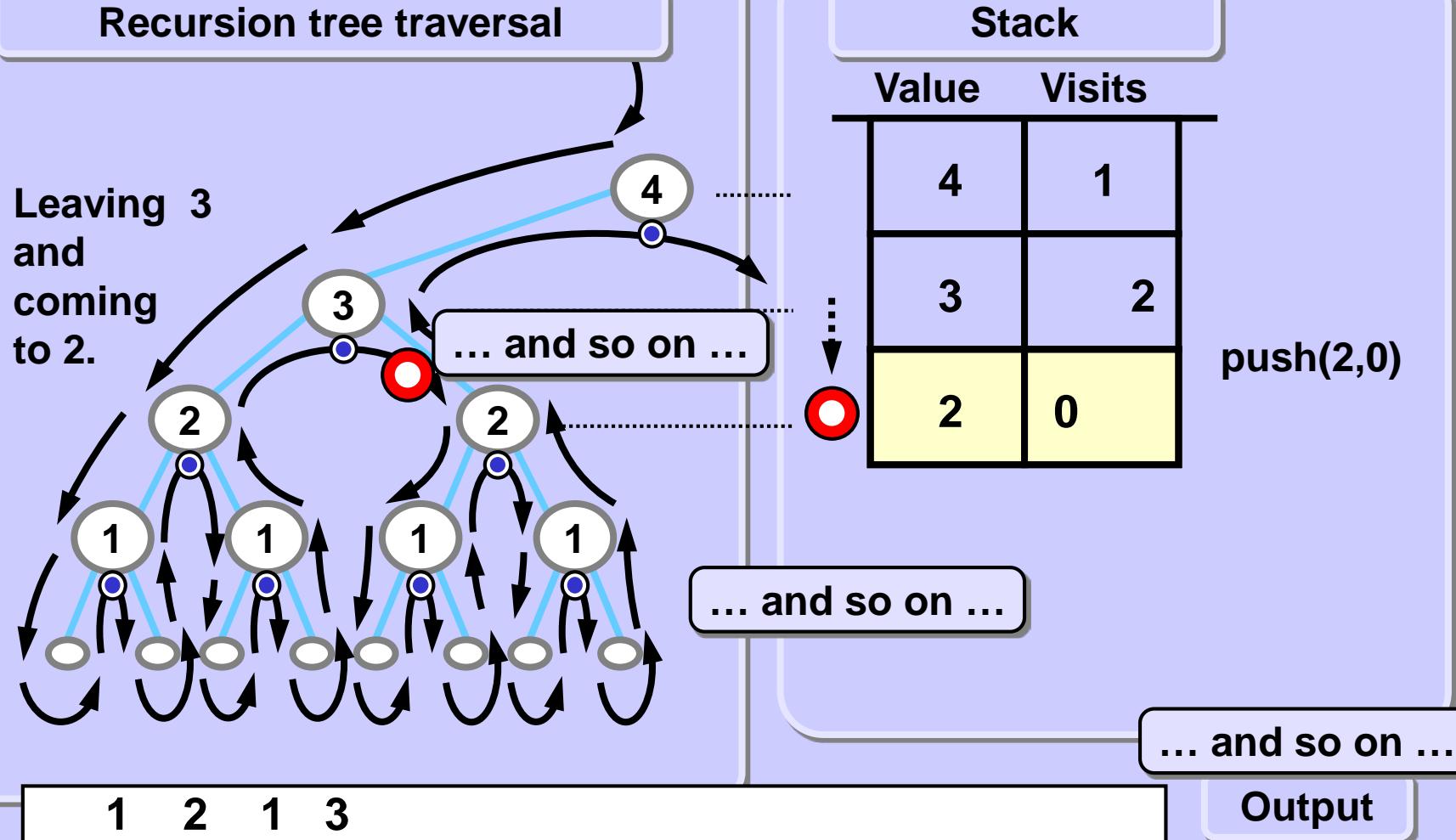
## Stack

Value	Visits
4	1
3	1
2	2

pop()

Output

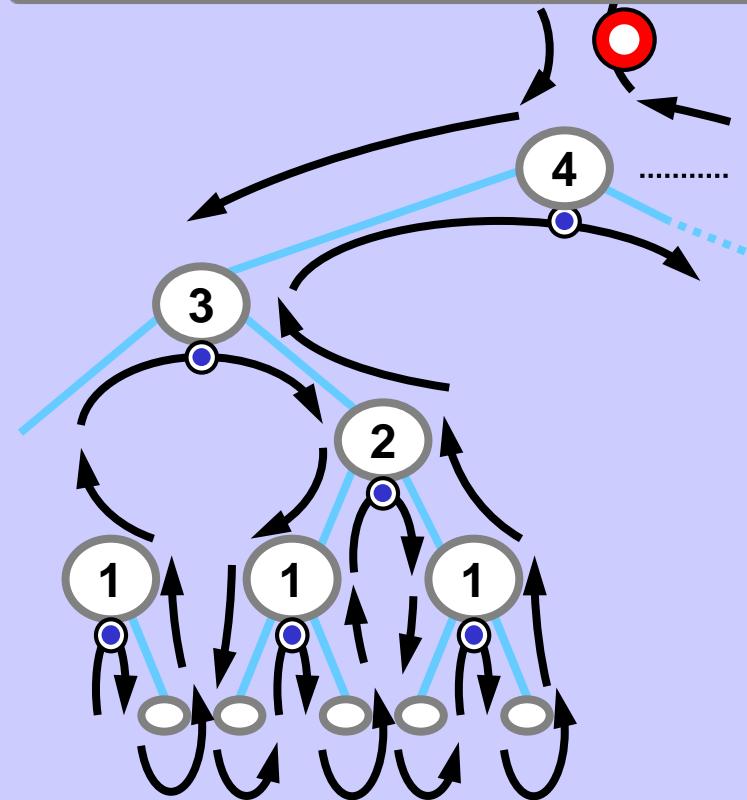
# Stack implements recursion



# Stack implements recursion

... after another while ... completed.

Recursion tree traversal



1 2 1 3 1 2 1 4 1 2 1

Output

Stack

Value Visits

4	2
---	---

pop()

(empty == true)

## Stack implements recursion

Recursive ruler without recursive calls  
Pseudocode, nearly a code

```
def rulerNoRec( N ):
    stack = Stack()
    stack.push( N, 0 ) # 0 == no. of visits to the root
    while not stack.isEmpty():
        if stack.top().value == 0: stack.pop()
        if stack.top().visits == 0:
            stack.top().visits += 1
            stack.push( stack.top().value-1, 0 )
        elif stack.top().visits == 1:
            print(stack.top().value, end = ' ')
            stack.top().visits += 1
            stack.push( stack.top().value-1, 0 )
        elif stack.top().visits == 2:
            stack.pop()
```

## Recursive ruler without recursive calls

### Easy implementation with arrays

## Stack implements recursion

```

def rulerWithArrays( N ):
    max = 100                                # fixed, for simplicity
    stackVal = [0] * max                      # stack Value field
    stackVis = [0] * max                      # stack Visits field
    SP = 0                                     # stack pointer

    stackVis[SP] = 0; stackVal[SP] = N

    while SP >= 0:                          # while unempty
        if stackVal[SP] == 0: SP -= 1         # pop: in leaf
        if stackVis[SP] == 0:                 # first visit
            stackVis[SP] += 1; SP += 1
            stackVal[SP] = stackVal[SP-1]-1   # go left
            stackVis[SP] = 0;

        elif stackVis[SP] == 1:               # second visit
            print(stackVal[SP], end = ' ')
            stackVis[SP] += 1; SP += 1;
            stackVal[SP] = stackVal[SP-1]-1   # go right
            stackVis[SP] = 0;

        elif stackVis[SP] == 2: SP -= 1;      # pop: node done
    
```

Recursive ruler without recursive calls  
Easy implementation with arrays

Stack implements recursion

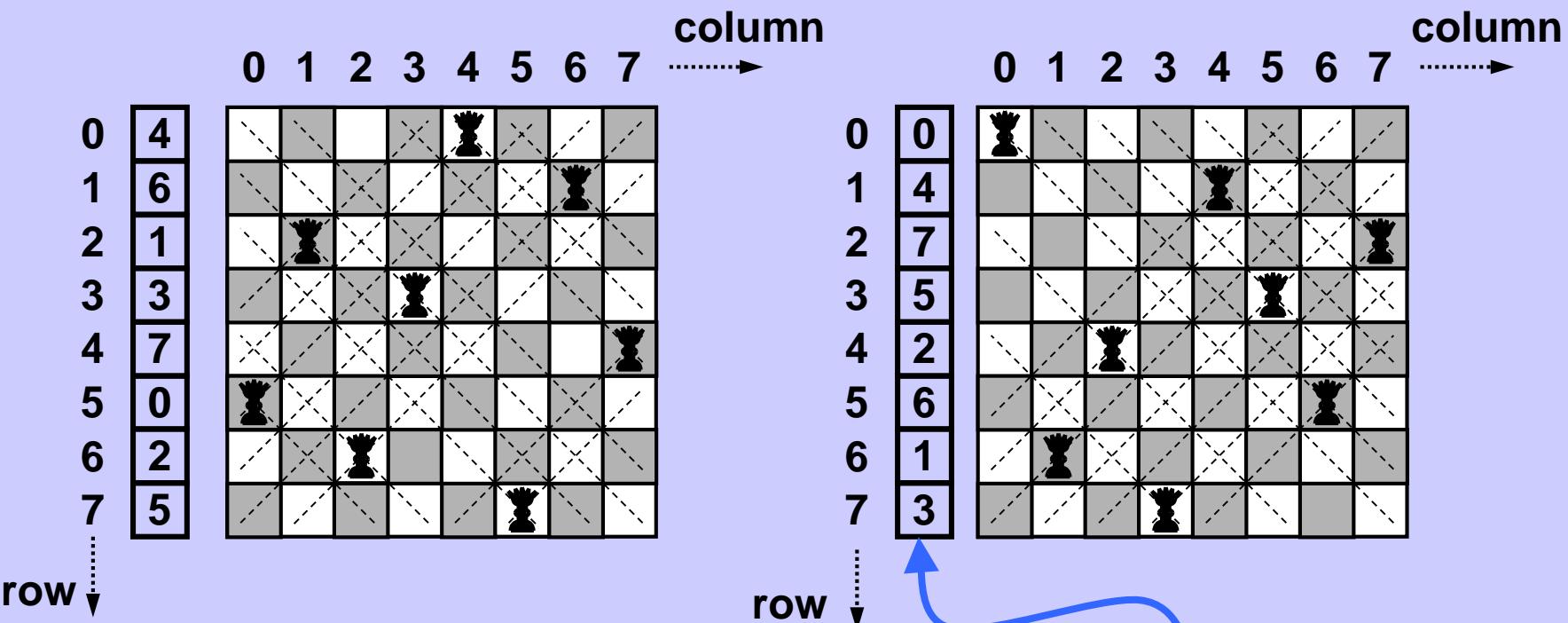
A little more compact code

```
def rulerWithArrays2(N):
    stackVal = [0] * 100; stackVis = [0] * 100
    SP = 0; stackVis[SP] = 0; stackVal[SP] = N
    while (SP >= 0):                                # while unempty
        if stackVal[SP] == 0: SP -= 1                 # pop: in leaf
        if stackVis[SP] == 2: SP -= 1                 # pop: node done
        else:
            if stackVis[SP] == 1:                      # if second visit
                print(stackVal[SP], end = ' ')          # process the node
            stackVis[SP] += 1; SP += 1                  # and
            stackVal[SP] = stackVal[SP-1] - 1          # go deeper
            stackVis[SP] = 0
```

# Easy backtrack problem 8 queens puzzle

Put 8 chess queens on a standard 8x8 chessboard so that no two queens threaten each other.

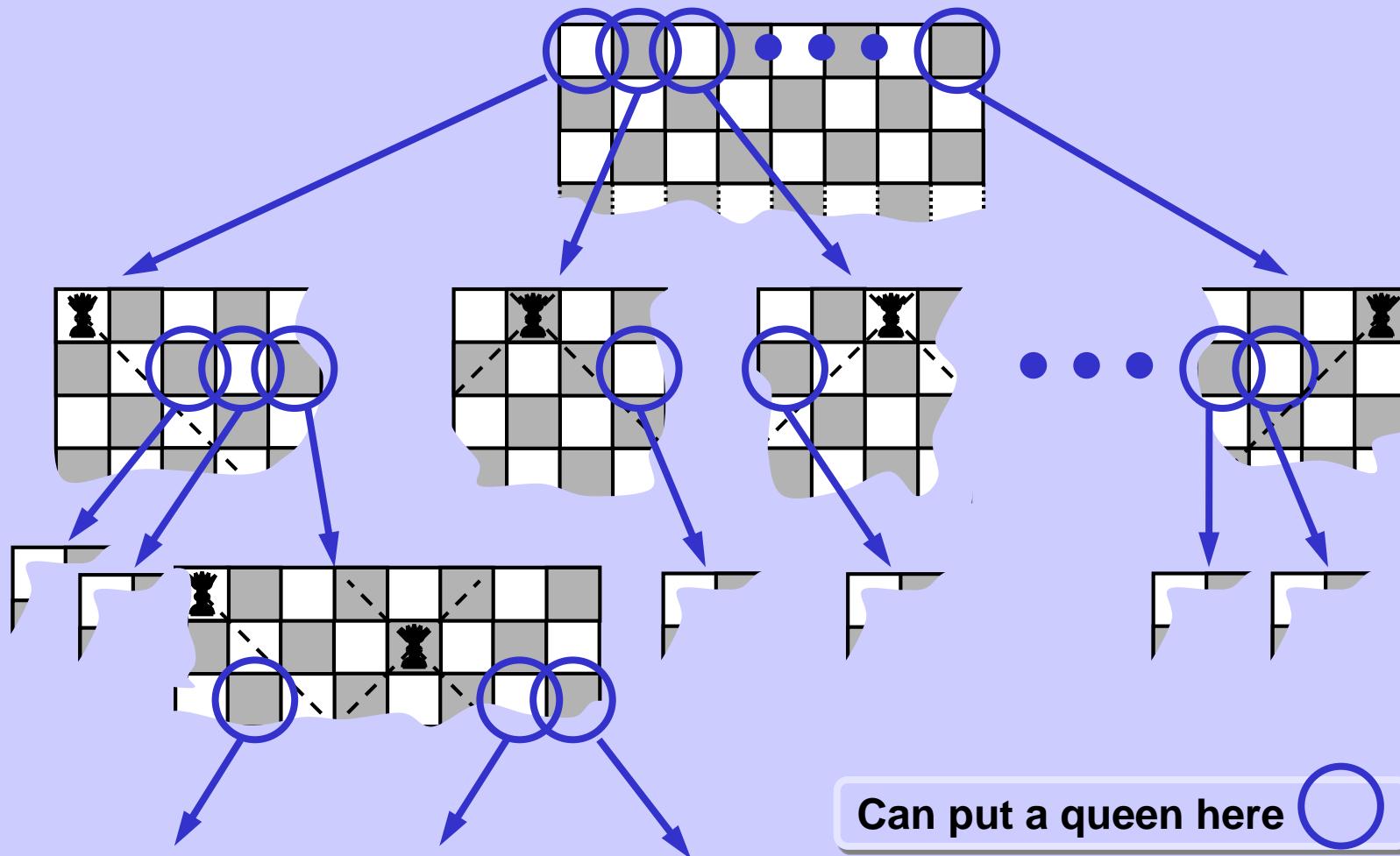
## Some solutions



Single data structure: array queenCol[ ] (see the code)

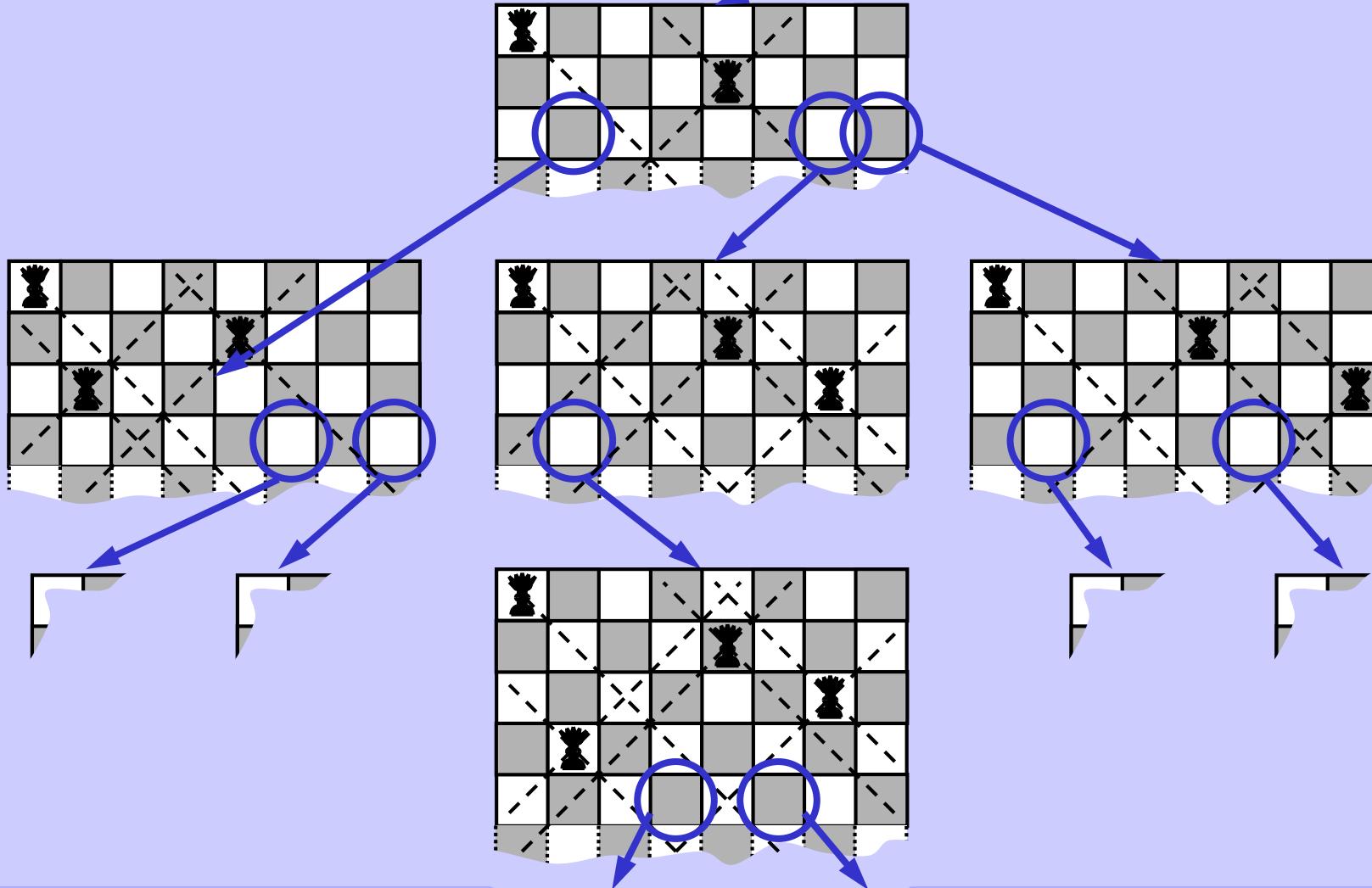
# Easy backtrack problem 8 queens puzzle

Tree of checked configurations (a root and a few successors)



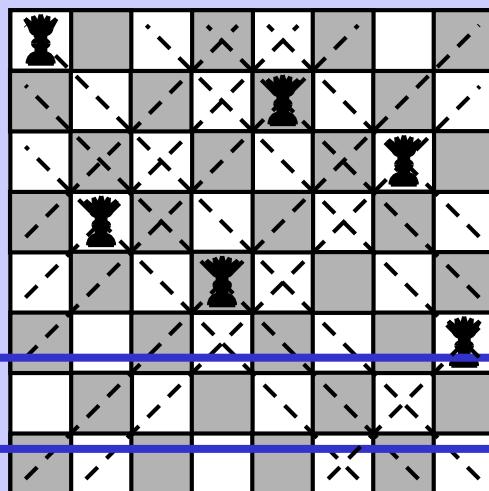
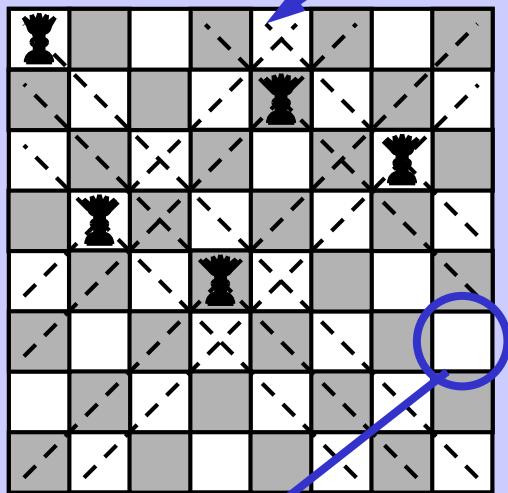
# Easy backtrack problem 8 queens puzzle

Cutout of tree of checked configurations

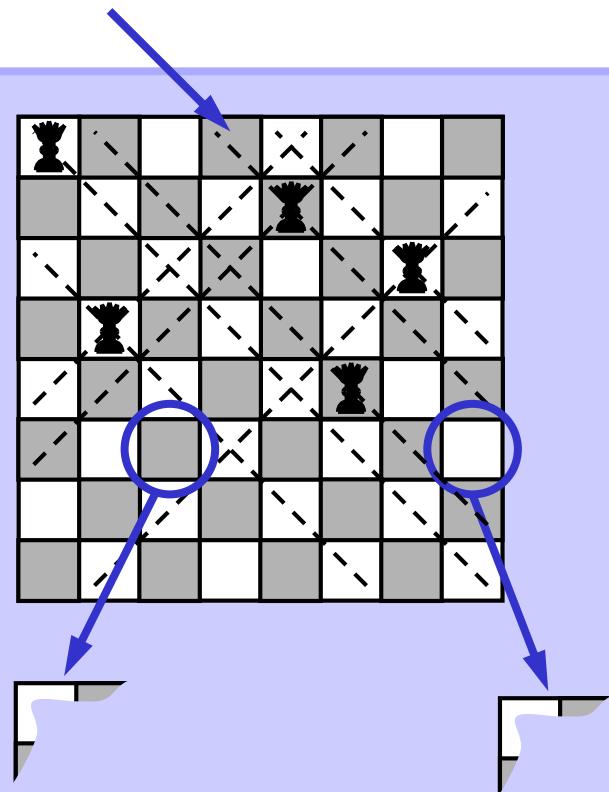


# Easy backtrack problem 8 queens puzzle

Cutout of tree of checked configurations



Stop and backtrack



# Easy backtrack problem 8 queens puzzle

## N queens puzzle (N x N chessboard)

N queens	No. of solutions	No. of tested queen positions		Speedup
		Brute force ( $N^N$ )	Backtrack	
4	2	256	240	1.07
5	10	3 125	1 100	2.84
6	4	46 656	5 364	8.70
7	40	823 543	25 088	32.83
8	92	16 777 216	125 760	133.41
9	352	387 420 489	651 402	594.75
10	724	10 000 000 000	3 481 500	2 872.33
11	2 680	285 311 670 611	19 873 766	14 356.20
12	14 200	8 916 100 448 256	121 246 416	73 537.00

Tab 3.1 Speed of N queens puzzle solutions

## Easy backtrack problem 8 queens puzzle

```

NQ = 8                                     # number of queens
queenCol = [0 for x in range(NQ)]          # 1D array is enough

def positionOK( r, c ):                     # r: row, c: column
    for i in range( 0, r ):
        if queenCol[i] == c or \
            abs(r-i) == abs(queenCol[i]-c): # same column or
                return False
    return True

def putQueen( row, col ):
    queenCol[row] = col;                   # put a queen there
    if row == NQ-1:                       # if solved
        print( queenCol )                 # output solution
    else:
        for c in range( 0, NQ ):          # test all columns
            if positionOK( row+1, c ):   # if free
                putQueen( row+1, c )      # next row recursion

```

Call: `for col in range( NQ ): putQueen( 0, col )`

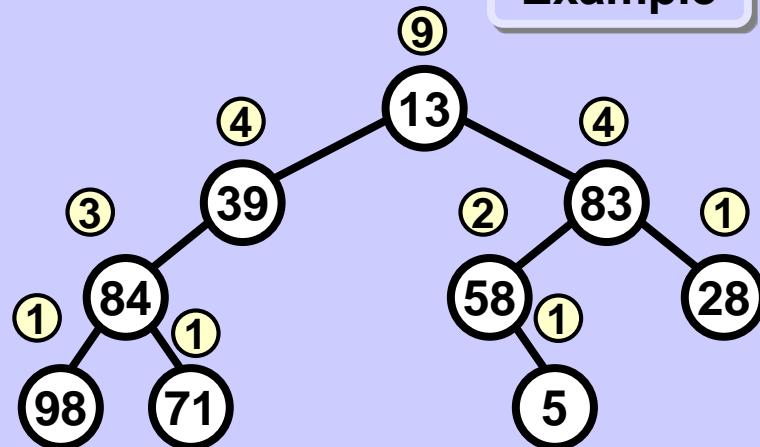
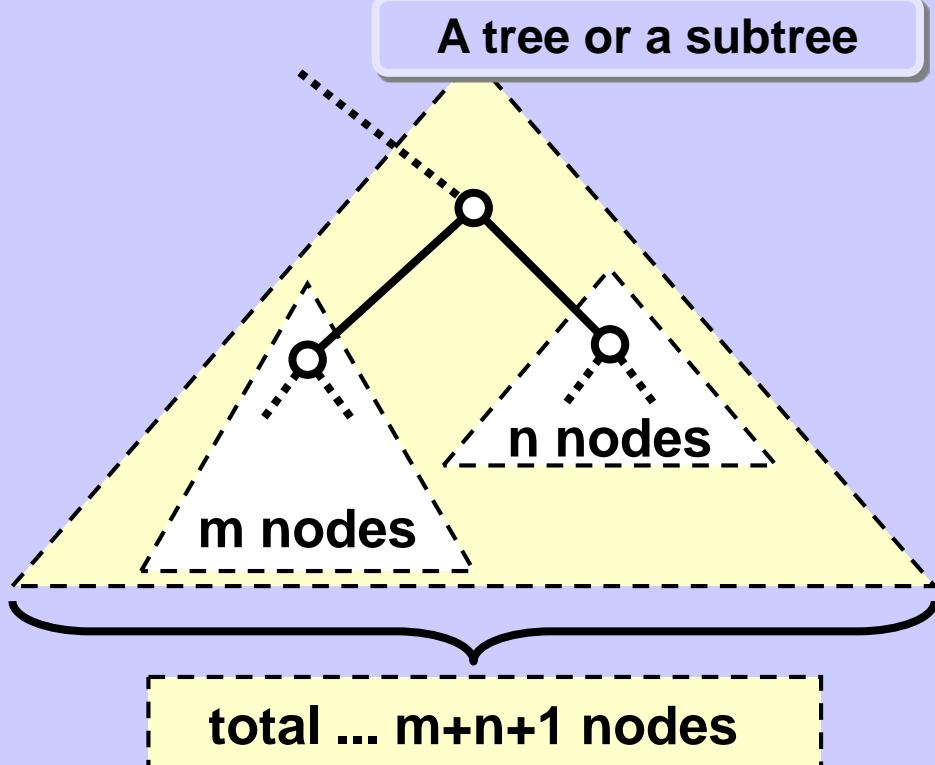
## 8 queens puzzle - More intuitive output

```
def printQ():
    for row in range(0, NQ):
        for col in range( 0, NQ ):
            if col == queenCol[row]: print( " Q", end = '' )
            else: print( " .", end = '' )
        print() # end of row
    print() # extra empty line
```

All 10 cases for 5 queens (NQ = 5)

Q . . . .	. Q . . .	. . Q . .	. . . Q .	. . . . Q
. . Q . .	. . . Q .	Q . . . .	. . . Q .	. . . . Q
. . . . Q	Q . . . .	. . . . Q	. Q . . .	. . . . Q
. Q . . .	. . Q . .	. . . Q .	. . . . Q	. . . . Q
. . . Q .	. . . . Q	Q . . . .	. Q . . .	. . . . Q
Q . . . .	. Q . . .	. . Q . .	. . . Q .	. . . . Q
. . . Q .	. . . . Q	Q . . . .	. Q . . .	. . . . Q
. Q . . .	. . Q . .	. . . Q .	. . . . Q	. . . . Q
. . . Q .	. . . . Q	Q . . . .	. Q . . .	. . . . Q
. . . . Q	. . . . Q	. . . . Q	Q . . . .	. Q . . .

## Tree size (= number of nodes)



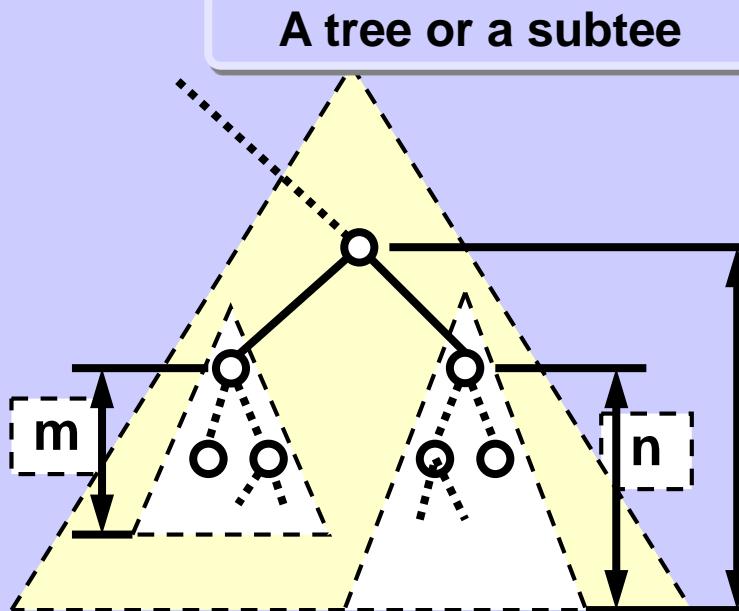
Exercise suggestion:  
Implement with stack  
and no recursion.

Recursively

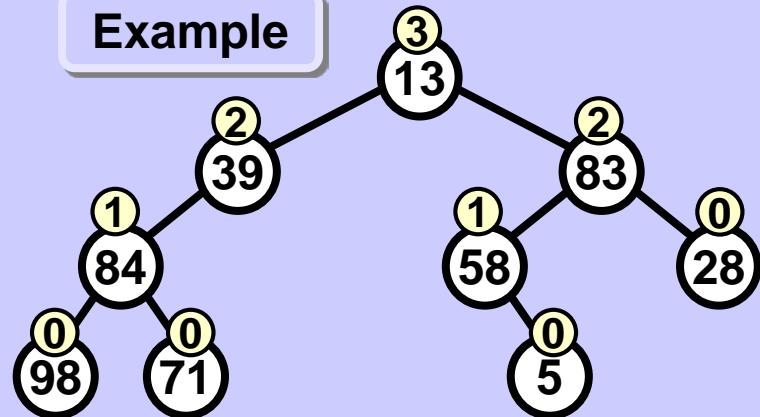
```

def count( self, node ):
    if node == None: return 0
    return 1 + self.count(node.left) + self.count(node.right)
  
```

## Tree depth (= max depth of a node)



### Example



Exercise suggestion:  
Implement with stack  
and no recursion.

### Recursively

```

def depth( self, node):
    if node == None: return -1
    return 1 + max(self.depth(node.left), self.depth(node.right))
  
```