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Answer:

```
import random
```

```
def initial_state():
```

```
    """Generate a random initial state."""
```

```
    state = list(range(8))
```

```
    random.shuffle(state)
```

```
    return state
```

```
def calculate_attacks(state):
```

```
    """Calculate the number of queen attacks in the given state."""
```

```
    attacks = 0
```

```
    for i in range(8):
```

```
        for j in range(i + 1, 8):
```

```
            if state[i] == state[j] or abs(state[i] - state[j]) == j - i:
```

```
                attacks += 1
```

```
    return attacks
```

```
def get_neighbors(state):
```

```
    """Generate all neighboring states by swapping two queens."""
```

```
    neighbors = []
```

```
    for i in range(8):
```

```
        for j in range(i + 1, 8):
```

```
    neighbor = state[:]
    neighbor[i], neighbor[j] = neighbor[j], neighbor[i]
    neighbors.append(neighbor)

return neighbors
```

```
def stochastic_hill_climbing():
```

```
    """Solve the 8-Queen Problem using Stochastic Hill Climbing."""
```

```
    current_state = initial_state()
```

```
    current_attacks = calculate_attacks(current_state)
```

```
    while current_attacks > 0:
```

```
        neighbors = get_neighbors(current_state)
```

```
        best_neighbor = None
```

```
        best_attacks = current_attacks
```

```
        for neighbor in neighbors:
```

```
            neighbor_attacks = calculate_attacks(neighbor)
```

```
            if neighbor_attacks < best_attacks:
```

```
                best_neighbor = neighbor
```

```
                best_attacks = neighbor_attacks
```

```
        if best_attacks >= current_attacks:
```

```
            # Randomly select a neighbor with the same number of attacks
```

```
    same_attacks_neighbors = [neighbor for neighbor in neighbors if  
calculate_attacks(neighbor) == current_attacks]
```

```
    if same_attacks_neighbors:
```

```
        best_neighbor = random.choice(same_attacks_neighbors)
```

```
    if best_neighbor is None:
```

```
        break
```

```
    current_state = best_neighbor
```

```
    current_attacks = best_attacks
```

```
    return current_state
```

```
# Example usage
```

```
solution = stochastic_hill_climbing()
```

```
print("Solution:", solution)
```