HILL CLIMBING - N QUEENS

```
#HILL_CLIMBING
import random
def calculate_cost(state):
     """Calculate the number of conflicts in the current state."""
     cost = 0
     n = len(state)
     for i in range(n):
          for j in range(i + 1, n):
               if state[i] == state[j] or abs(state[i] - state[j]) == abs(i -
j):
                    cost += 1
     return cost
def get_neighbors(state):
     """Generate all possible neighbors by moving each queen in its
column."""
     neighbors = [] n =
     len(state) for col in
     range(n):
          for row in range(n):
               if state[col] != row: # Move the queen in column `col` to a
different row
                    new_state = list(state)
                    new_state[col] = row
                    neighbors.append(new_state)
     return neighbors
def hill_climbing(n, max_iterations=1000):
     """Perform hill climbing search to solve the N-Queens problem."""
     current_state = [random.randint(0, n - 1) for _ in range(n)]
     current_cost = calculate_cost(current_state)
```

```
for iteration in range(max_iterations):
          if current_cost == 0: # Found a solution
               return current state
          neighbors = get_neighbors(current_state)
          neighbor_costs = [(neighbor, calculate_cost(neighbor)) for
neighbor in neighbors]
          next_state, next_cost = min(neighbor_costs, key=lambda x: x[1])
          if next_cost >= current_cost: # No improvement found
               print(f"Local maximum reached at iteration {iteration}.
Restarting...")
               returnNone #Restartwithanewrandomstate
          current_state, current_cost = next_state, next_cost
          print(f"Iteration {iteration}: Current state: {current_state},
Cost: {current_cost}")
     print(f"Max iterations reached without finding a solution.")
     return None
# Get user-defined input for the number of queens
try:
     n = int(input("Enter the number of queens (N): "))
     if n <= 0:
          raise ValueError("N must be a positive integer.")
except ValueError as e:
     print(e)
     n = 4 # Default to 4 if input is invalid
solution = None
# Keep trying until a solution is found
while solution is None:
     solution = hill_climbing(n)
print(f"Solution found: {solution}")
```

OUTPUT:

```
Enter the number of queens (N): 4

Iteration 0: Current state: [3, 1, 0, 2], Cost: 1

Local maximum reached at iteration 1. Restarting...

Local maximum reached at iteration 0. Restarting...

Iteration 0: Current state: [0, 3, 0, 1], Cost: 3

Iteration 1: Current state: [0, 3, 0, 2], Cost: 1

Iteration 2: Current state: [1, 3, 0, 2], Cost: 0

Solution found: [1, 3, 0, 2]
```