

## Solving the Sliding-Tile Puzzle using Post-Hoc Optimization

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### **Abstract**

This thesis discusses the thesis template using some examples of the Turing Machine.

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# Introduction

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# Background

This section provides background explanations for key concepts as they relate to this thesis. The concepts covered are the sliding tile puzzle (2.1) ...

#### 2.1 Sliding Tile Puzzle

The classic sliding tile puzzle (or 15-puzzle) is a two dimensional combination puzzle composed of 15 numbered tiles and one empty tile arranged in a four by four square. The position of the empty tile can be swapped with adjacent tiles. The goal of the puzzle is to reach a state where the numbered tiles are in row-wise ascending order starting from the top left and the empty tile is in the bottom right.

#### 2.2 Pattern Databases

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#### 2.3 Post-Hoc Optimization

# 3 Conclusion

This is a short conclusion on the thesis template documentation. If you have any comments or suggestions for improving the template, if you find any bugs or problems, please contact me.

Good luck with your thesis!

### **Bibliography**

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