

**function** SIMULATED-ANNEALING(*problem*, *schedule*) **returns** a solution state  
*current*  $\leftarrow$  *problem*.INITIAL  
**for**  $t = 1$  **to**  $\infty$  **do**  
     $T \leftarrow \text{schedule}(t)$   
    **if**  $T = 0$  **then return** *current*  
    *next*  $\leftarrow$  a randomly selected successor of *current*  
     $\Delta E \leftarrow \text{VALUE}(\textit{current}) - \text{VALUE}(\textit{next})$   
    **if**  $\Delta E > 0$  **then** *current*  $\leftarrow$  *next*  
    **else** *current*  $\leftarrow$  *next* only with probability  $e^{\Delta E/T}$