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# Intelligent Systems: Lab Work 1

## CLIPS<sup>1</sup>

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# 1. Introduction

- The aim of this lab work is to design, analyse and assess from temporal and space viewpoints a rule-based system to solve a given problem.
- Material available at poliformaT:
  1. Tutorial on CLIPS IDE with a couple of solved toy problems.
  2. Solution to the 8-puzzle: source code and documentation
  3. Problem to solve: bulb robot
  4. User and reference manuals

## 2. Schedule

- Session 1: CLIPS IDE and puzzle problem
- Session 2: Bulb robot problem and discussion of RBS design
- Session 3-4: Implementation and debugging
- Session 5: Exam

### 3. Example: 8-puzzle problem

Given an initial state (fact), we must reach the objective shown below by moving the empty tile (tile 0): right, left, down and up.

0	2	3
1	8	4
7	6	5

Initial state



1	2	3
8	0	4
7	6	5

Objective state

Solution to the previous initial state:

0	2	3
1	8	4
7	6	5

Initial state



1	2	3
0	8	4
7	6	5

Intermediate state



1	2	3
8	0	4
7	6	5

Objective state

# Simple RBS for 8-puzzle: puzzle.clp

```
(deffacts fini (puzzle 0 2 3 1 8 4 7 6 5))
```

```
(defrule left  
(puzzle $?x ?y 0 $?z)  
(test (<> (length$ $?x) 2))  
(test (<> (length$ $?x) 5)) =>  
(assert (puzzle $?x 0 ?y $?z)))
```

```
(defrule right  
(puzzle $?x 0 ?y $?z)  
(test (<> (length$ $?x) 2))  
(test (<> (length$ $?x) 5)) =>  
(assert (puzzle $?x ?y 0 $?z)))
```

```
(defrule up  
(puzzle $?x ?a ?b ?c 0 $?y) =>  
(assert (puzzle $?x 0 ?b ?c ?a $?y)))
```

```
(defrule down  
(puzzle $?x 0 ?a ?b ?c $?z) =>  
(assert (puzzle $?x ?c ?a ?b 0 $?z)))
```

```
(defrule objective  
(puzzle 1 2 3 8 0 4 7 6 5) =>  
(printout t "Solution found!" crlf)  
(halt))
```

# Tracing the 8-puzzle problem

```
(load puzzle.clp)
(set-strategy breadth)
(reset)
(run 1)
...
(run 1)
(run)

(set-strategy depth)
(reset)
(run)    ;; Ctrl + . halts the inference process

(clear)  ;; Clear memory before loading a new RBS
```

# Breadth-search trace



## 4. Next steps

1. Go to the PoliformaT folder: *2. SOLVED PROBLEM: PUZZLE*
2. Read and trace extended version of 8-puzzle: *puzanpo.clp*
  - Check documentation: *puzzle.pdf* (breadth/depth search)
3. If you have time left, start to work on the problem to solve:
  - PoliformaT folder: *3. PROBLEM TO SOLVE: BULB ROBOT*