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Preface:
We take the 8-Queens problem to demonstrate **Simulated Annealing,** which is a variation of the **Hill-Climbing Search** algorithm. In this particular variant of the algorithm, a random Uphill state from the Successors is chosen directly. However, sometimes a **Downhill** state is also chosen with a given probability.

Constraints:

- States are given as a list of integer numbers.
- .The probability of choosing the **Uphill** Successor, in this case, is 75% and therefore, the probability of choosing a **Downhill** Successor is 25%.
- Threshold value, which the Maximum Number of Non-Attacking Pairs is taken 27.
- Any successor state that gives more than or equal to 22 Non-Attacking Pairs is considered an Uphill State.

Python Implementation:
simulatedAnnealing.py

```
1.  count = 1
2.  initState = [2,3,4,5,6,5,7,8]
3.
4.  def generateSuccessor():
5.      global initState
6.      initState = [2,3,4,5,6,5,7,8]
7.      state = initState
8.      length = len(initState)
9.      successorVal = 1
10.
11.     for i in range(length):
12.         indexVal = initState[i]
13.         for j in range(length):
14.             if(successorVal != indexVal):
15.                 state[i] = successorVal
16.                 #print(state)
17.                 findNAP(state)
18.             successorVal = successorVal + 1
19.
20.         print('\n')
21.         state = initState
22.         successorVal = 1
23.
24. def findNAP(state):
25.     #Init Variables
26.     row = 8
27.     col = 8
28.     length = len(state)
29.     matrix = [[0 for i in range(col+1)]for j in range(row+1)]
30.     sameRow = 0
31.     n = 0
32.     global count
33.     global initState
34.
35.     #Init matrix with 0-Based Index
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    for i in range(length):
        matrix[i][state[i] - 1] = 1

    #Calculate Attacking Pair of Queens
    for i in range(row):
        for j in range(col):
            if(matrix[i][j] == 1):
                for k in range(j,col):
                    if(matrix[i][k] == 1):
                        n = n + 1
                if(matrix[i+1][j-1] == 1 or matrix[i+1][j+1] == 1):
                    n = n + 1;

    print(str(count) + " Non Attacking Pairs : " + str(28 - n))
    count = count + 1
    if(28 - n == 27):
        print("Found " + str(state))
        return

    #Selecting Uphill Successor
    if(28 - n > 22):
        initState = state


#Main
generateSuccessor()

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Output:

```
8  Non Attacking Pairs :  23
9  Non Attacking Pairs :  24
10  Non Attacking Pairs :  24
11  Non Attacking Pairs :  24
12  Non Attacking Pairs :  23
13  Non Attacking Pairs :  24
14  Non Attacking Pairs :  23
15  Non Attacking Pairs :  24


16  Non Attacking Pairs :  24
17  Non Attacking Pairs :  25
18  Non Attacking Pairs :  25
19  Non Attacking Pairs :  25
20  Non Attacking Pairs :  25
21  Non Attacking Pairs :  24
22  Non Attacking Pairs :  24
23  Non Attacking Pairs :  25


24  Non Attacking Pairs :  25
25  Non Attacking Pairs :  26
26  Non Attacking Pairs :  26
27  Non Attacking Pairs :  26
28  Non Attacking Pairs :  26
29  Non Attacking Pairs :  26
30  Non Attacking Pairs :  24
31  Non Attacking Pairs :  26


32  Non Attacking Pairs :  26
33  Non Attacking Pairs :  27
Found!
[3, 5, 8, 1, 1, 4, 2, 7]
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