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7th Semester Regular/Back Examination: 2024-25

SUBJECT: SOFT COMPUTING

BRANCH(S): AEIE, CIVIL, EEE, ELECTRICAL, ECE, ETC, ENV, MECH, METTA, MINING

Time: 3 Hours

Max Marks: 100

Q.Code: R367

Answer Question No.1 (Part-1) which is compulsory, any eight from Part-II and any two from Part-III.

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks.

Part-I

Q1 Answer the following questions: (2 x 10)

- What are fuzzy relations? Give an example.
- What is defuzzification? State its purpose in fuzzy logic.
- What is the difference between a crisp set and a fuzzy set?
- Define a single-layer neural network and its basic structure.
- What is the purpose of weight learning in neural networks?
- Differentiate between a single-layer and a multi-layer perceptron.
- What is evolutionary programming? How does it differ from genetic algorithms?
- What is elitism in genetic algorithms, and why is it important?
- Define the term "fitness landscape" in the context of evolutionary algorithms.
- What are the advantages of using genetic algorithms for solving optimization problems?

Part-II

Q2 Only Focused-Short Answer Type Questions- (Answer Any Eight out of Twelve) (6 x 8)

- What are the basic operations of a fuzzy set? Explain with examples.
- Describe the process of fuzzy logic control and its application in real-world systems.
- Discuss Zadeh's compositional rule of inference in fuzzy systems.
- Explain the concept of fuzzy inference and its role in fuzzy logic systems.
- Explain the working of the Perceptron algorithm. What are its limitations?
- Discuss the generalized delta rule and its significance in neural network training.
- What are Kohonen self-organizing maps (SOMs)? Explain their working and applications.
- Explain the architecture and working of adaptive neuro-fuzzy inference systems (ANFIS).
- Discuss the working of the simulated annealing algorithm. Explain its key components, such as temperature control, acceptance probability, and cooling schedule, with an example.

- j) Describe the process of acceptance probability in simulated annealing. Explain how the probability function helps avoid local optima and improve the search for global optima.
- k) Explain the integration of local search methods with genetic algorithms. How does the inclusion of a local search mechanism help in enhancing the performance of the genetic algorithm?
- l) Explain the differences between genetic algorithms and genetic programming. Discuss their respective applications and how they are used to solve different optimization problems.

Part-III

Only Long Answer Type Questions (Answer Any Two out of Four)

- Q3** Discuss the Mamdani and Takagi-Sugeno fuzzy inference systems. Compare their structure, working, and applications in detail. **(16)**
- Q4** Explain the functioning of Recurrent Neural Networks (RNNs). Give a detailed discussion of their architecture and one specific application of your choice. **(16)**
- Q5** Discuss the concept and working of genetic algorithms. Explain the steps of a genetic algorithm (selection, crossover, mutation) with appropriate examples and discuss their applications in optimization problems. **(16)**
- Q6** Discuss how combining genetic algorithms with other optimization methods improves performance and solves complex optimization tasks with suitable examples. **(16)**