

**FACULTY OF ENGINEERING****B.E. 4/4 (CSE) II – Semester (Main) Examination, April / May 2013****Subject : Soft Computing (Elective – II)****Time : 3 hours****Max. Marks : 75****Note: Answer all questions from Part-A. Answer any FIVE questions from Part-B.****PART – A (25 Marks)**

1. Briefly explain what is an artificial neuron. 3
2. What is the importance of threshold in perception network. 2
3. Define Delta rule. 2
4. List out the benefits of neural networks. 3
5. Describe unsupervised learning. 2
6. What is an XOR problem? 3
7. Discuss the methods of aggregation of fuzzy ruler. 3
8. What is meant by cross over point in a fuzzyset? 2
9. Compare and contrast traditional algorithm and genetic algorithm. 3
10. What is genetic programming? 2

**PART – B (5 x 10 = 50 Marks)**

- 11.a) What is a learning rate parameter? 3
- b) State the training algorithm used for Hebb network. 7
- 12.a) What is meant by gradient descent method? 4
- b) List the stages involved in training of backpropagation network. 6
- 13.a) State the advantages of associative memory. 4
- b) Draw the architecture of discrete Hopfield net. 6
14. Explain the training algorithm used in ART network. 10
- 15.a) Define fuzzy number. 4
- b) Describe how neural network is used to obtain fuzzy membership functions. 6
16. Explain the working of genetic algorithms with suitable example. 10
17. Write short notes on the following :
  - a) Fuzzy ordering 5
  - b) Applications of genetic algorithms 5

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