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M.C.A (Fourth Semester) Regular Examinations, April – 2025

## MCA 23431 – Soft Computing (MCA)

Time: 3hrs

Maximum: 60 Marks

(The figures in the right hand margin indicate marks)

### PART – A

(2 x 5 = 10 Marks)

Q.1. Answer **ALL** questions

	CO #	Blooms Level
a. Why sigmoid activation function is one of the most widely used function?	CO1	K2
b. Differentiate between ART1 & ART2 .	CO2	K2
c. Discuss the purpose of defuzzification?	CO3	K1
d. Explain the role of fitness function in genetic algorithm?	CO4	K2
e. What is the difference between supervised & unsupervised learning in neural network?	CO5	K1

### PART – B

(10 x5=50 Marks)

Answer **ALL** questions

	Marks	CO #	Blooms Level
2. a. Compare & contrast between neural network, fuzzy logic & genetic algorithm.	5	CO1	K2
b. Explain supervised, unsupervised & reinforcement learning with relevant examples.	5	CO1	K1
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c. Explain ADALINE & MADALINE architectures with a neat diagram.	5	CO1	K2
d. Explain the basic model of an artificial neuron with the help of a diagram.	5	CO1	K2
3.a. Write a short note on general ART architecture.	5	CO2	K2
b. Differentiate between Autocorrelators (HAM) & Heterocorrelators (BAM).	5	CO2	K2
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c. What are the different types of neural networks? Explain briefly.	5	CO1	K2
d. Differentiate between hard computing & soft computing with examples.	5	CO1	K2
4.a. Explain the differences between fuzzy set & crisp set with appropriate examples.	5	CO3	K2
b. Compare Mamdani FIS & Sugeno FIS. Which one is better for real-time applications?	5	CO3	K2
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c. Discuss role of membership function in fuzzy set theory.	5	CO3	K2
d. Differentiate between fuzzification & defuzzification.	5	CO3	K2
5.a. Explain the importance of parameter tuning (mutation rate, crossover rate, population size) in genetic algorithm.	5	CO4	K2
b. Compare genetic algorithm & traditional optimization method. What is the importance of maintaining genetic diversity in GA?	5	CO4	K2

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| c.   | Explain crossover operators in genetic algorithm.<br>Compare single point, multi point & uniform crossover.             | 5 | CO4 | K2 |
| d.   | Discuss mutation operator & their impact on the performance of genetic algorithm.                                       | 5 | CO4 | K2 |
| 6.a. | Discuss some real-world applications of soft computing.<br>How do hybrid models improve decision making & optimization? | 5 | CO5 | K2 |
| b.   | Explain how neural network, fuzzy logic & genetic algorithm work together in hybrid computing?                          | 5 | CO5 | K2 |

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| c. | What are the major challenges in implementing hybrid NN-FL-GA system?<br>How do you address these challenges?                               | 5 | CO5 | K2 |
| d. | Differentiate between traditional AI-based approaches & soft computing-based approaches. In which applications is soft computing preferred? | 5 | CO5 | K2 |

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