Chapter 4

Soft Computing: Techniques & Development Tools
Chapter gives a brief overview of the computing techniques such as Fuzzy logic, Neural Network, Neuro-Fuzzy networks and GA. The most popular tools used by the researchers for development and simulation study of the system under test such as MATLAB, SIMULINK and associated tool boxes for software development and testing are also described.

4.1 Soft Computing Traits

- **Fuzzy logic** [1] is derived from fuzzy set theory dealing with reasoning that is approximate rather than precisely deduced from classical predicate logic. It can be thought of as the application side of fuzzy set theory dealing with well thought out real world expert values for a complex problem. In this context, FL is a problem-solving control system methodology that lends itself to implementation in systems ranging from simple, small, embedded micro-controllers to large, networked, multi-channel PC or workstation-based data acquisition and control systems.

- **Neural Network** [2] almost all information-processing needs of today are met by digital computers. So we can consider their possibility of information processing techniques that are different from those used in conventional digital computers. Neural networks are constructed with neurons that connected to each other. There are many types of neural networks for various applications in the literature. A common used one of these is multilayered perceptrons (MLP)

- **Genetic Algorithm** (GAs) [3], which uses the concept of Darwin’s theory, have been widely introduced to deal with nonlinear control difficulties and to solve complicated optimization problems. Darwin’s theory basically stressed the fact that the existence of all living things is based on the rule of ‘survival of the fittest’. In the theory of evolution, different possible solutions to a problem are selected first to a population of binary strings encoding the parameter space. The selected solutions undergo a parallel global search process of reproduction, crossover and mutation to create a new generation with the highest fitness function

- **Neuro-Fuzzy** [4] ANFIS uses a hybrid learning algorithm to identify the membership function parameters of single-output, Sugeno type fuzzy inference systems (FIS). A combination of least-squares and back-propagation gradient descent methods are used for training FIS membership function parameters to model a given set of input/output data. This is the major training routine for Sugeno-type fuzzy inference systems.

- **Genetic Algorithms** (GAs) are robust, numerical search methods that mimic the process of natural selection. Although not guaranteed to absolutely find the true global optima in a defined search space, GAs are renowned for finding relatively suitable solutions within acceptable time frames and for applicability to many problem domains [5]. During the last decade, GAs has been
applied in a variety of areas, with varying degrees of success within each. A significant
contribution has been made within control systems engineering. GA exhibit considerable
robustness in problem domains that are not conducive to formal, rigorous, classical analysis

- **Evolutionary computation (EC)** [6] is field of methods of problem-solving developed by
computer scientists which tries to emulate the process of biological evolution to generate fitter
solutions from the available ones. Evolution can be viewed as a two-step iterative process,
consisting of random variation followed by selection. EC is a broad category, which includes
mainly **Genetic Algorithms (GAs)** [7]. Evolution strategies and some non-genetic approaches.
When applied to problem-solving evolutionary algorithms result in extremely optimization
procedures which are relatively free from some of the most cumbersome problems of traditional
optimization – especially the necessity to make definite assumptions about how to evaluate the
fitness of a solution. For example, for applying Linear Programming, the cost function should be
linear, or, for gradient based methods it should be smooth and differentiable. EC can be applied
without such constraints. Hence, a broad range of problems which are outside the range of
conventional engineering and numerical techniques, become amenable to EC. EC is also yielding
some exiting results in generating intelligence in the form of learning systems. The learning, which
can be accomplished by the conventional well-established AI techniques like Expert Systems, is
limited by the knowledge of the designer. In other words the ES can’t become smarter than its
creator can’t. Whereas EC in conjunction with ANN and Fuzzy logic based approaches have
resulted in the creation of systems, which could become more intelligent than their designers by
learning from experience.

4.2 **Soft Computing: Introduction**

   Correct model of process may not be available or mode may be complex with too many
   unacceptable assumptions. The classical modeling algorithm may not respond well to the measurement
   noise in sensors or performance through classical algorithms may not be adequate.

   The FUZZY LOGIC based systems may be developed to overcome classical algorithm problems.
The fuzzy logic frees us from the true/false reasoning of logical system of type that is used in symbolic
languages.

   Fuzzy linguistic models [8] hold the promise of providing a finite qualitative partition of a
quantitative dynamic system while being applicable to any system that can be described in linguistic
terms. Fuzzy models provide a succinct and robust representation of systems that lack a complete
quantitative model or have uncertain system perturbations. Consistency in reasoning, however, has not yet
been proven for a fuzzy linguistic representation of a quantitative system.
Fuzzy linguistic models use fuzzy sets to create a finite number of partitions MBF of the inputs, outputs and states of a quantitative system. Currently most fuzzy models are implemented as a set of if-then rules, where the system input is used to evaluate the rules’ antecedents and the model’s output is the combined output of all the rules evaluated in parallel. This simple logical system, a Fuzzy Inference System (FIS), does not implement inference chaining and can only evaluate a simplified qualitative model of a plant. Recent work has expanded the usefulness of this structure by providing machine learning methodologies to adapt and tune fuzzy linguistic models and to automatically generate new models through self-organization [8].

Input output relations (mapping) in the form of traditional mathematical modeling is replaced by ANN learning the synaptic weights by undergoing a training process. ANN has built in adaptability or can be trained to modify the weights with the change in environment [9]. The ANN can deal naturally with contextual information. Since knowledge is represented by the regular structure and activation state of network. Every neuron is potentially affected by the global activity of all other neurons. ANN can be trained to make decisions and they are also fault tolerant in the sense that if a neuron or connecting link is damaged, recalling a pattern will be impaired in quality but due to distribution of information in the network damage has to be extensive for overall degradation. Since neurons are the common ingredients for all ANN, it is possible to Share the algorithm and structures in different applications. So it is possible to have a seamless integration of modules. The ANN is suitable in the following situation….

Learning or tuning allows the initial linguistic fuzzy model developed from heuristic domain knowledge to be optimized. Learning is achieved by using a Neuro-Fuzzy structure and exploiting the supervised learning strategies originally developed for neural networks.

These strategies include gradient descent back-propagation, least-mean-squares, and a hybrid methodology that combines least-squares to optimize linear parameters and back-propagation to optimize the nonlinear parameters. These same supervised learning methodologies can automatically learn any arbitrary nonlinear mapping between input and output without an initial linguistic fuzzy model. The resulting self-organized fuzzy models do not necessarily have a linguistic interpretation that would be recognized by a human expert. Often systems developed through self-organization are never interpreted linguistically, but are utilized effectively for pattern matching and curve fitting. Fuzzy networks are often preferred for curve fitting because the fuzzy rules used by the network have only a local effect, in effect providing an adaptive mechanism for implementing B-splines.

It is possible to integrate the fuzzy logic controller with ANN so that the expression for the knowledge used in the systems is understood by humans. This reduces difficulties in describing the ANN. Fuzzy controller learns to improve its performance using ANN structure & thus learns by Experience. Neuro-computing is fast compared to conventional computing because of massive parallel computation.
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Besides, it has the properties of fault tolerance and noise filtering. Here neural network is used as if estimator. Neural network-based control strictly does not need a mathematical model of a plant like a conventional control method does with the required precision.

4.3 Fuzzy Logic

Fuzzy logic has rapidly become one of the most successful of today’s technologies for developing sophisticated control system. Fuzzy logic is nothing but the extension of binary logic. The main difference between the Fuzzy logic and binary logic is that in binary logic we take only two cases, either 0 or 1, that means low or high states. In Fuzzy Logic we take each & every state into consideration. Fuzzy logic is a method for represent ting information in a way that resembles natural human communication. It then manipulates that information similar to human reasoning. Fuzzy logic has been applied to problems that are either difficult to tackle mathematically or where the use of fuzzy logic provides improved performance. The development of fuzzy logic traces back to 1965 when Dr. Lotfi Zadeh presented a paper on Fuzzy sets. Since, then this Fuzzy logic as a tool has come in long way [10].

4.3.1 Keywords, Terminology

- **Definition**
  
  Fuzzy Logic is the logic using fuzzy set defined by membership functions in the logical expression corresponding to the rule base.

- **Linguistic Variables**
  
  The primary building block of any fuzzy system is linguistic variable while the linguistic term indicate / represent possible values of a linguistic variable. The linguistic variables translate crisp value into a linguistic description.

- **Fuzzy Set**
  
  A set obtained by assigning fuzzy values to the linguistic variable using membership function.

- **Premise**
  
  It is the fuzzy specification of linguistic variable.

- **Conclusion**
  
  Fuzzy output in terms of linguistic variable is called conclusion.
- **Fuzzy Rule**
  A linguistic rule derived from the expert’s behavior to control process under study. It contains premise as first part and conclusion as second part.

- **Universe Of Discourse**
  Universe of discourse is defined as the total range of all available information in a given problem. Once this universe of discourse is known, we can define certain events on this information space.

- **Crisp And Fuzzy sets**
  Crisp sets or classical sets contain information whether it belongs to the set or not. It is very much same as digital logic or Boolean logic. Fuzzy sets on the other hand contain information for which belongings varies from \([0,1]\). This is therefore multi-valued logic.

- **Membership Functions**
  A membership function (MBF) is a curve that defines how each point in input space is mapped to a membership value (or degree of membership) between 0 and 1. The simplest MF is formed using straight lines. Simplest is the triangular MBF, a collection of three points forming a triangle. Other types include the Trapezoidal, Sigmoidal, pi, Bell shape MBF.

- **Fuzzification**
  It is the process of assigning fuzzy values to linguistic variables using fuzzy set. In the real world, hardware such as a digital voltmeter generates crisp data, but these data are subjected to experimental error. We want to compare a crisp voltage reading to fuzzy sets say as 'low voltage' or 'high voltage'. The range of the output voltage becomes the universe of discourse and the process of identifying a crisp quantity as a fuzzy is called Fuzzification. Assigning of range of membership to the transferred fuzzy quantity in this way is termed as 'Fuzzy Measures'. The assignment process can be intuitive, heuristic or it can be based upon the algorithms or logical operations. Fuzzification is the first step where a crisp input is fuzzified.

- **Rule Base Creation**
  Perhaps the most common way to represent knowledge is to form it into natural language expression of the type.

  *If premise (antecedent), Then conclusion (consequent)*

  An inference such that if we know a fact (premise, hypothesis, and antecedent) then we can either infer or derive another fact called conclusion (consequent). This form of knowledge is quite appropriate in the content of linguistics as it expresses human empirical and heuristic knowledge in our own language of communication. Collection of such rules forms a rule base.
The dimensions of rule base are dependent upon the fuzzification level of inputs. It is important to note that all the inputs need not condition the output. One input may have an influence on the output independent of other input. The formation of rule is a copyright process of the designer. The process of combining the effect of these rules to produce an output is called as the process of inference.

- **Fuzzy Inference**
  
  The fuzzy inference process consists of two phases:
  
  1. The composition of rules applied.
  2. Obtaining crisp output from fuzzy inference.

  Task of meaningful combination of control actions prescribed by different rules activation or firing is called as composition.

- **Defuzzification**

  It is a process of rounding off from multi-valued output to a single value output. The output of a fuzzy process can be the logical union of two or more fuzzy Membership function defined on the universe of discourse of output variable. The Choice of methods is again context dependent. The general criteria are that the method must have continuity, unambiguity and computational simplicity. The centroid method correctly fits into these requirements and almost invariably used.

### 4.3.2 Architecture of Fuzzy Inference System

The architecture of FIS is shown in Figure 4.1.

![Figure 4.1: The Architecture of Fuzzy Inference System](image-url)
The knowledge base contains information about the boundaries of the linguistic variables data base. Fuzzification interface receives the current I/P value, maps it to a suitable domain i.e. it converts the value to a linguistic term /Fuzzy set. Decision logic determines the O/P value from the measured I/P according to the knowledge base. Defuzzification interface has the task of determining the crisp value. The design steps [11] are as follows:

I. Create linguistic variables and vocabulary for the I/P-O/P variables in which the rules of operation are specified.

II. With reference to the I/P-O/P and control variables, define the structure of the system to represent the flow within a system.

III. Formulate the strategy as fuzzy rules, based on sound Egg Judgment.

IV. Evaluate rule for current situation to obtain fuzzy output.

V. Use any of the Defuzzification technique to obtain crisp value.

4.4 Artificial Neural Network

Almost all information-processing needs of today are met by digital computers. So we can consider their possibility of information processing techniques that are different from those used in conventional digital computers. Research is being vigorously pursued concerns the possibility of building information processing devices that mimic the structures and operation principles commonly found in humans and other living creatures, which has produced a new breed of computers called Neuro-computers.

Neural computing is a new approach to information processing. It is the fast, vital alternative to normal sequential processing. The large computing power lies in parallel processing architecture. It is capable of imitating brain’s ability to make decisions and draw conclusions when presented with complex, noisy, irrelevant or partial information. Thus it is the domain in which an attempt is made to make compute think, react and compute.

Neurons are nerve cells and neural networks are networks of these cells. Thus they are one of a group of intelligent technologies for data analysis that differ from other classical analysis techniques by learning about user’s chosen subject from the data user provides them, rather than being programmed by the user in a traditional sense. Neural networks gather their knowledge by detecting the patterns and relationships in user’s data, learning from relationships and adapting to change.
“A neural network is a massively parallel distributed processor that has a natural propensity for storing experiential knowledge and making it available for use. It resembles the brain in two respects:

- Knowledge is acquired by the network through a learning process.
- Interneuron connections strengths known as synaptic weights are used to store knowledge.

The interconnection architecture can be very different for different networks. Architectures can vary from feed forward and recurrent structures to latticed structures.

An artificial neuron is a concept whose components have a direct analogy with the biological neuron [12]. The structure of an artificial neuron is like an analog summer-like computation. It is also called a neuron, PE (processing element), neuron, node, or cell. The input signals X1, X2, X3, … Xn are normally continuous variables but can also be discrete pulses. Each input signal flows through a gin or weight, called a synaptic weight or connection strength, whose function is analogous to that of the synaptic junction in a biological neuron. The weights can be positive (excitory) or negative (inhibitory), corresponding to “acceleration” or “inhibition,” respectively, of the flow of electrical signals in a biological cell. The summing node accumulates all the input weighted signals, adds the bias signal b, and then passes to the output through the activation function, which is usually nonlinear in nature. Mathematically, the output expression can be given as,

\[ Y = F(S) = F(\sum_{k=1}^{N} X_k W_k + b) \]  \hspace{1cm} (4.1)

Where

\( X_i \) = inputs  \\
\( W_i \) = weights  \\
\( b \) = bias

**4.4.1 The Basic Artificial Model**

An artificial neuron is defined as follows:

It receives a number of inputs either from original data, or from the output of other neurons in the neural network. Each input comes via a connection that has strength (weight); these weights correspond to synaptic efficacy in a biological neuron. Each neuron also has a single threshold value. The weighted sum of the inputs is formed, and the threshold subtracted, to compose the activation of the neuron (also known as the post-synaptic potential, or PSP, of the neuron) [13].

The activation signal is passed through an activation function (also known as a transfer function) to produce the output of the neuron. Inputs and outputs correspond to sensory and motor nerves such as
those coming from the eyes and leading to the hands. There can be hidden neurons that play an internal role in the network. The input, hidden and output neurons need to be connected together.

Figure 4.2 shows the basic and simple model of an Artificial Neuron present in the layers of the Artificial Neural Network.

![Simple model of an Artificial Neuron](image)

**Figure 4.2: Simple model of an Artificial Neuron**

A simple network has a *feed forward* structure; signals flow from inputs, forwards through any hidden units, eventually reaching the output units. Such a structure has stable behavior. However, if the network is *recurrent* (contains connections back from later to earlier neurons) it can be unstable, and has very complex dynamics.

When the network is executed (used), the input variable values are placed in the input units, and then the hidden and output layer units are progressively executed. Each of them calculates its activation value by taking the weighted sum of the outputs of the units in the preceding layer, and subtracting the threshold. The activation value is passed through the activation function to produce the output of the neuron. When the entire network has been executed, the outputs of the output layer act as the output of the entire network.

### 4.4.2 Implementation of Artificial Neural Network

The specification and design of an ANN application should aim to produce the best system and performance overall. This means that conventional methods should be used if and where possible and ANNs are used to supplement them or only if they can add some benefit. A neural network design involves at least five main tasks:

- ✓ Data collection.
- ✓ Raw data preprocessing.
- ✓ Feature extraction from preprocessed data.
✓ Selection of an ANN type and topology (architecture).
✓ ANN training, testing and validation.

4.4.3 Single layer and multi-layer networks

For single layer neural network, the output signals of the neurons in the first layer are the output signals of the network. Here each neuron adjusts its weights according to what output was expected of it, and the output it gave. The Perceptron Delta Rule can mathematically express this:

\[ \Delta w_i = x_i \delta \]  

(4.2)

Where, \( \delta = (\text{desired output}) - (\text{actual output}) \).

This is of no use though when you extend the network to multiple layers to account for non-linearly separable problems. When adjusting a weight anywhere in the network, we have to be able to tell what effect this will have on the overall effect of the network. To do this, we have to look at the derivative of the error function with respect to that weight.

Multi layer perceptrons are feed forward nets with one or more layers of nodes between the input and output nodes. Multilayer feed forward networks normally consist of three or four layers; there is always one input layer and one output layer and usually one or more hidden layers. The term input layer neurons are a misnomer; no sigmoid unit is applied to the value of each of these neurons. Their raw values are fed into the layer downstream the input layer (the hidden layer). Once the neurons for the hidden layer are computed, their activations are then fed downstream to the next layer, until all the activations eventually reach the output layer, in which each output layer neuron is associated with a specific classification category. In a fully connected multilayer feed forward network, each neuron in one layer is connected by a weight to every neuron in the layer downstream it. Thus in computing the value of each neuron in the hidden and output layers one must first take the sum of the weighted sums and the bias(if any) and then apply \( f(\text{sum}) \) (the sigmoid function) to calculate the neuron’s activation[14].

The capabilities of multi layer perceptrons stem from the nonlinearities used within nodes. The number of nodes must be large enough to form a decision region that is as complex as is required by a given problem. It must not, however, be so large that the many weights required cannot be reliably estimated from the available training data. For example, two nodes are sufficient to solve the exclusive OR problem.
Figure 4.3 shows the Multilayer Network architecture of ANN, which consist of the input layer, output layer and hidden layers. Each layer consist of the number of neurons depends on the application.

There should be no more than three layers in perceptron like feed forward nets because a three-layer perceptron can form arbitrarily complex decision regions and can separate the meshed classes. There should typically be more than three times as many nodes in the second as in the first layer. The behavior of these nets is more complex because decision regions are typically bounded by smooth curves instead of by straight-line segments and analysis is thus more difficult. These nets, however, can be trained with the new back-propagation training algorithm.

### 4.4.4 Types of Neural Network Learning

The Artificial Neural Network (ANN) [15] produces response, based on the information encoded in its structure. Usually weights on interconnections between the neurons, store the information. They are adjusted to produce desired response. “The algorithmic process of weight adjustments is called learning rule”. The goal of any rule is to adjust weights so as to minimize the difference between the desired and expected response.

The method of setting the value for the weights enables the process of learning or training. The process of modifying the weights in the connections between network layers with the objective of achieving the expected output is called training a network. The internal process that takes place when a network is trained is called learning.
Supervised learning

Supervised learning is a process of training a neural network by giving it examples of the task we want it to learn. i.e. it is a learning with a teacher. The way this is done is by providing a set of pairs of vectors (patterns), where the first pattern of each pair is an example of an input pattern that the network might have to process and the second pattern is the output pattern that the network should produce for that input which is known as a target output pattern for whatever input pattern.

Thus, supervised learning means “a learning process in which, change in a network's weights and biases are due to the intervention of any external teacher. The teacher typically provides output targets.”

This technique is mostly applied to feed forward type of neural networks.

During each learning or training iteration the magnitude of the error between the desired and actual network response is computed and used to make adjustments to the internal network parameters or weights according to some learning algorithm. As the learning proceeds, the error is gradually reduced until it achieves a minimum or at least and acceptably small value.

Sometimes if it is not require computing exact error between the desired and the actual network response, and for each training example the network is given a pass/fail signal by the teacher, then it is called **Reinforcement learning** which is a special type of supervised learning. If a fail is assigned, the network continues to readjust its parameters until it achieves a pass or continues for a predetermined number of tries, whichever comes first.

Unsupervised learning

It is the learning process in which changes in a network's weights and biases are not due to the intervention of any external teacher. Commonly changes are a function of the current network input vectors, output vectors, and previous weights and biases.

The network is able to discover statistical regularities in its input space and automatically develops different modes of behavior to represent different classes of inputs (in practical applications some labeling is required after training, since it is not known at the outset which mode of behavior will be associated with a given input class). In this type of learning due to absence of desired output it is difficult to predict what type of features network will extract. Although learning in these nets can be slow, running the trained net is very fast - even on a computer simulation of a neural net. Table gives comprehensive summary of techniques.
Table 4.1 has described the number of networks that follows the supervised and unsupervised learning.

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Table 4.1: Networks following supervised and unsupervised learning.

4.4.5 Back Propagation Network (BPN)

Back propagation is a systematic method for training multi-layer artificial networks [16]. It has a mathematical foundation that is strong if not highly practical. It is a multi-layer forward network using extend gradient descent based delta learning rule, commonly known as back propagation (of errors) rule. Back propagation provides a computationally efficient method for changing the weights in a feed forward network, with differentiable activation function units, to learn training a set of input-output examples. Being a gradient descent method it minimizes the total error of the output computed by the net. The network is trained by supervised learning method. The aim of this network is to be train the net to achieve a balance between the ability to respond correctly to the input patterns that are used for training and the ability to provide good response to the input that are similar.

The training algorithm of back propagation involves four stages, viz.

1. Initialize of weights
2. Feed forward
3. Back propagation
4. Updating of the weights and biases.

During first stage which is the initialization of weights, some small random values are assigned. During feed forward stage each input unit ($x_i$) receives an input signal and transmits this signal to each hidden units $z_1, z_2, \ldots, z_P$. Each hidden unit then calculates the activation function and sends its signal $z_j$ to each output unit. The output unit calculates the activation function to form the response of the net for the given input pattern.
During back propagation of errors, each output unit compares its computed activation $y_k$ with its target value $t_k$ to determine the associated error for that pattern with that unit. Based on the error, the factor $\delta_k$ ($k = 1,...,m$) is computed and is used to distribute the error at output unit $y_k$ back to all units in the previous layer. Similarly, the factor $\delta_j$ ($j = 1,...,p$) is computed for each hidden unit $z_j$. During the final stage, the weight and biases are updated using the $\delta$ factor and the activation. During final stage, the weight and biases are updated using $\delta$ factor and the activation.

**Parameter**

- $x$: Input training vector.
- $t$: output target vector
- $\delta_k$: error at output unit $y_k$
- $\delta_j$: error at hidden unit $z_j$
- $\alpha$: learning rule
- $V_{oj}$: bias on hidden unit $j$
- $z_j$: hidden unit $j$
- $w_{ok}$: bias output unit $k$
- $y$: output unit $k$.

**Initialization of weights**

- Step 1: Initialize weight to small random values.
- Step 2: while stopping condition is false, do steps 3-10
- Step 3: for each training pair do steps 4-9

**Feed forward**

- Step 4: Each input unit receives the input signal $x_i$ and transmits this signal to all units in the layer above i.e. hidden units.
- Step 5: Each hidden unit ($z_j$, $j = 1,...,p$) sums its weighted input signals

\[ z_{\text{inj}} = V_{oj} + \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_{ivij} \quad (4.3) \]

Applying activation function

\[ Z_j = f(z_{\text{inj}}) \quad (4.4) \]

and sends this signal to all units in the layer above i.e. output units.

- Step 6: Each output unit ($y_k$, $k = 1,...,m$) sums its weighted input signals

\[ y_{\text{ink}} = w_{ok} + \sum_{j=1}^{p} z_{jwjk} \quad (4.5) \]

And applies its activation function to calculate the output signals

\[ Y_k = f(y_{\text{ink}}) \quad (4.6) \]


**Back propagation of errors**

Step 7: Each output ($y_k$, $k=1,...,m$) receives a target pattern corresponding to an input pattern, error information term is calculated as

$$\delta_k = (t_k - y_k)f(y_{-ink})$$  \hspace{1cm} (4.7)

Step 8: Each hidden unit ($z_j$, $j=1,...,n$) sums its delta inputs from units in the layer above

$$\delta_{-inj} = \sum_{k=1}^{m} \delta_{kjw}$$  \hspace{1cm} (4.8)

The error information term is calculated as

$$\delta_j = \delta_{-inj}f(z_{-inj})$$  \hspace{1cm} (4.9)

**Update of the weights and biases**

Step 9: Each output unit ($y$, $k=1,...,m$) updates its bias and weights ($j=0,...,p$)

The weight correction term is given by

$$\Delta W_{jk} = \alpha \delta_k z_j$$  \hspace{1cm} (4.10)

And the bias correction term is given by

$$\Delta W_{ok} = \alpha \delta_k$$  \hspace{1cm} (4.11)

Therefore,

$$W_{jk} (\text{new}) = W_{jk} (\text{old}) + \Delta W_{jk} , \hspace{1cm} W_{ok} (\text{new}) = W_{ok} (\text{old}) + \Delta W_{ok}$$  \hspace{1cm} (4.12)

The weight correction term

$$\Delta V_{ij} = \alpha \delta_j x_i$$  \hspace{1cm} (4.13)

The bias correction term

$$\Delta V_{oj} = \alpha \delta_j$$  \hspace{1cm} (4.14)

Therefore,

$$V_{ij} (\text{new}) = V_{ij} (\text{old}) + \Delta V_{ij} , \hspace{1cm} V_{oj} (\text{new}) = V_{oj} (\text{old}) + \Delta V_{oj}$$  \hspace{1cm} (4.15)

Step 10: Test the stopping condition. The stopping condition may be to the minimization of the errors, number of epochs etc.

### 4.5 Genetic Algorithms

The search heuristics of a GA are based upon Holland's schema theorem. The mathematics of this theorem were developed using the binary representation, although recent work has now extended it to include integer and real number representations. In the following section, a brief non-mathematical introduction of the schema theorem will be given assuming a binary representation [17].
A schema (H) is defined as a template for describing a subset of chromosomes with similar sections. The template consists of multiple 0's, 1's, and meta-characters or "don't care" symbols (#). The meta-character is simply a notational device used to signify that either a 1 or 0 will match that pattern. For example, consider a schema such as, #0000. This schema matches two chromosomes, 10000 and 00000. The template is a powerful way of describing similarities among patterns in the chromosomes. The total number of schemata present in a chromosome of length L is equal to \(3^L\). According to Holland, the order of a schema (\(o(H)\)) is equal to the number of fixed positions (i.e., non-meta-characters) and the defining length of a schema (\(L(H)\)) is the total number of characters. Thus, the schema #00#0 is an order 3 schema \((o(H) = 3)\) and has a length of 5 \((L(H) = 5)\). Holland derived an expression that predicts the number of copies a particular schema, H, would have in the next generation after undergoing exploitation, recombination and mutation. This expression is shown below

\[
m(H,t+1) \geq m(H,t) - \frac{f(H)}{f} \left[1 - \left(P_r(L(H)/(t-1))-o(H)P_m\right)\right] \quad (4.16)
\]

where \(H\) is a particular schema, \(t\) is the generation, \(m(H,t+1)\) is the number of times a particular schema is expected in the next generation, \(m(H,t)\) is the number of times the schema is in the current generation, \(f(H)\) is the average fitness of all chromosomes that contain schema \(H\), \(f\) is the average fitness for all chromosomes, \(P_r\) is the probability of recombination occurring, and \(P_m\) is the mutation probability. The primary conclusion that can be drawn from inspection of this equation is that as the ratio of \(f(H)\) to \(f\) becomes larger, the number of the times \(H\) is expected in the next generation increases. Thus, particularly good schemata will propagate in future generations.

Two more points need to be made concerning Holland's schema theorem. Although both mutation and recombination destroy existing schemata, they are necessary for building better ones. The degree to which they are destroyed is dependent upon the order \((o(H))\) and the length \((L(H))\) of the schemata. Thus, schemata that are low-order, well-defined, and have above average fitness are preferred and are termed "building blocks". This definition leads to the building block principle of GAs which states that “there is a high probability that low-order; well-defined, average fitness schemata will combine through recombination to form higher order, above average fitness schemata”. Recombination is critical because it is the only procedure by which building blocks located on different sections of a chromosome can be combined onto the same chromosome. By employing the concept of building blocks, the complexity of the problem is reduced. Instead of trying to find a few large-order schemata by chance, small pieces of the chromosome that are important (i.e., building blocks) are combined with other important small pieces to produce over many generations an optimized chromosome. Because the GA has the ability to process many schemata in a given generation, GAs are said to have the property of "implicit parallelism", thereby making them an efficient optimization algorithm.
4.5.1 When to use genetic algorithms?

When not much is known about the response surface and computing the gradient is either computationally intensive or numerically unstable many scientists prefer to use optimization methods such as genetic algorithms, simulated annealing, and Simplex optimization which do not require gradient information. One of the reasons to use genetic algorithms is their versatility. Using the knowledge about the system one can tailor the algorithm for a particular application. If the application calls for an optimization method with hill-climbing characteristics the algorithm can be modified by using an elitist strategy. If becoming trapped in local optima is a problem, mutation can be increased. Thus, while there is no guarantee that GAs will perform the best for a particular application one can usually change some aspect of the genetic configuration or use different genetic operator to achieve adequate search performance.

Another feature about GAs that one can take advantage of is that GAs do not optimize directly on the variables but on their representations.

For applications where the variables being optimized are very different from each other (i.e. a mixture of integers, binary values, and floating points numbers). The GAs are an excellent choice for these types of applications. The GA configuration can be modified to include different mutation operators for different sections of the chromosome.

Genetic algorithms (GAs) are optimization techniques based on the concepts of natural selection and genetics. In this approach, the variables are represented as genes on a chromosome. GAs features a group of candidate solutions (population) on the response surface. Through natural selection and the genetic operators, mutation and recombination, chromosomes with better fitness are found. Natural selection guarantees that chromosomes with the best fitness will propagate in future populations. Using the recombination operator, the GA combines genes from two parent chromosomes to form two new chromosomes (children) that have a high probability of having better fitness than their parents. Mutation allows new areas of the response surface to be explored. GAs offer a generational improvement in the fitness of the chromosomes and after many generations will create chromosomes containing the optimized variable settings. Genetic algorithms (GAs) are stochastic global search and optimization methods that mimic the metaphor of natural biological evolution. GAs operates on a population of potential solutions applying the principle of survival of the fittest to produce successively better approximations to a solution. In this approach, the variables are represented as genes on a chromosome.

Through natural selection and the genetic operators, mutation and recombination, chromosomes with better fitness are found.
At each generation of a GA, a new set of approximations is created by the process of selecting individuals according to their level of fitness in the problem domain and reproducing them using operators borrowed from natural genetics. This process leads to the evolution of populations of individuals that are better suited to their environment than the individuals from which they were created, just as in natural adaptation.

Natural selection guarantees that chromosomes with the best fitness will propagate in future populations. Using the recombination operator, the GA combines genes from two parent chromosomes to form two new chromosomes (children) that have a high probability of having better fitness than their parents. Mutation allows new areas of the response surface to be explored. GAs offer a generational improvement in the fitness of the chromosomes and after many generations will create chromosomes containing the optimized variable settings.

It is found that evolutionary algorithms differ substantially from more traditional search and optimization methods. The most significant differences are:

- Evolutionary algorithms search a population of points in parallel, not a single point.
- Evolutionary algorithms do not require derivative information or other auxiliary knowledge; only the objective function and corresponding fitness levels influence the directions of search.
- Evolutionary algorithms use probabilistic transition rules, not deterministic ones.
- Evolutionary algorithms are generally more straightforward to apply.
- Evolutionary algorithms can provide a number of potential solutions to a given problem. The final choice is left to the user. (Thus, in cases where the particular problem does not have one individual solution, for example a family of pareto-optimal solutions, as in the case of multiobjective optimization and scheduling problems, then the evolutionary algorithm is potentially useful for identifying these alternative solutions simultaneously.)

GA comprises of four basic steps:

1. **Initialization** \(\rightarrow\) generation of Initial Population,
2. **Fitness Evaluation** \(\rightarrow\) Objective function value.
3. **Exploitation** \(\rightarrow\) Natural Selection.
4. **Exploration** \(\rightarrow\) Recombination and Mutation.

\& INITIALISATION

The initial population of chromosomes is created either randomly or by perturbing an input chromosome. How the initialization is done is not critical as long as the initial population spans a wide
range of variable settings (i.e., has a diverse population). Thus, if we have explicit knowledge about the system being optimized that information can be included in the initial population.

At the beginning of the computation a number of individuals (the population) are randomly initialised. The first/initial generation is produced.

If the optimization criteria are not met the creation of a new generation starts. Individuals are selected according to their fitness for the production of offspring. Parents are recombined to produce offspring. All offspring will be mutated with a certain probability. The fitness of the offspring is then computed. The offspring are inserted into the population replacing the parents, producing a new generation. This cycle is performed until the optimization criteria are reached.

Such a single population evolutionary algorithm is powerful and performs well on a broad class of problems. However, better results can be obtained by introducing many populations, called subpopulations. Every subpopulation evolves for a few generations isolated (like the single population evolutionary algorithm) before one or more individuals are exchanged between the subpopulations. The Multipopulation evolutionary algorithm models the evolution of a species in a way more similar to nature than the single population evolutionary algorithm.

**&nbsp;** FITNESS EVALUATION

In the second step, evaluation, the fitness is computed. It consists of the determination of the objective function value of a particular chromosome. The goal of the fitness function is to numerically encode the performance of the chromosome. For real-world applications of optimization methods such as GAs the choice of the fitness function is the most critical step.

**&nbsp;** EXPLOITATION

The third step is the exploitation or natural selection step. In selection the individuals producing offspring are chosen. Each individual in the selection pool receives a reproduction probability depending on the own objective value and the objective value of all other individuals in the selection pool. In this step, the chromosomes with the largest fitness scores are placed one or more times into a mating subset in a semi-random fashion. Chromosomes with low fitness scores are removed from the population. There are several methods for performing exploitation such as: Rank-based fitness assignment; Roulette wheel selection; Stochastic universal sampling; Local selection; Truncation selection and Tournament selection.
EXPLORATION

It consists of the recombination and mutation operators.

Recombination: There are basically two types of recombination techniques.

- Real valued recombination
  1. Discrete recombination
  2. Intermediate recombination
  3. Line recombination
  4. Extended line recombination

- Binary valued recombination (crossover)
  1. Single-point crossover
  2. Multi-point crossover
  3. Uniform crossover
  4. Shuffle crossover
  5. Crossover with reduced surrogate

Mutation:

After recombination offspring undergo mutation. Offspring variables are mutated by the addition of small random values (size of the mutation step), with low probability. The probability of mutating a variable is set to be inversely proportional to the number of variables (dimensions). The more dimensions one individual has as smaller is the mutation probability. There are different reported results for the optimal mutation rate. According to one theory, the mutation rate of $1/n$ ($n =$ number of variables) produce good results for a broad class of test function. However, the mutation rate was independent of the size of the population. For unimodal functions a mutation rate of $1/n$ is the best choice. An increase of the mutation rate at the beginning connected with a decrease of the mutation rate to $1/n$ at the end gives only an insignificant acceleration of the search. However, for multimodal functions a self adaptation of the mutation rate could be useful.

Real valued mutation:

The size of the mutation step is usually difficult to choose. The optimal step size depends on the problem considered and may even vary during the optimization process. Small steps are often successful, but sometimes bigger steps are quicker.

A proposed mutation operator (the mutation operator of the Breeder Genetic Algorithm):

- mutated variable = variable ± range-delta; (+ or - with equal probability)
- \( \text{range} = 0.5 \cdot \text{domain of variable}; \) (search interval),
- \( \text{delta} = \sum(a(i) \cdot 2^{-i}), \ a(i) = 1 \) with probability \( 1/m \), else \( a(i) = 0; \ m = 20. \)

This mutation algorithm is able to generate most points in the hypercube defined by the variables of the individual and range of the mutation. However, it tests more often near the variable, that is, the probability of small step sizes is greater than that of bigger steps With \( m=20 \), the mutation algorithm is able to locate the optimum up to a precision of \( \text{range} \cdot 2^{-19} \).

**Binary mutation:**

For binary valued individuals mutation means flipping of variable values. For every individual the variable value to change is chosen uniform at random. Table 4.2 shows an example of a binary mutation for an individual with 11 variables, variable 4 is mutated.

<table>
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<tr>
<th>before mutation</th>
<th>0</th>
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<td>0</td>
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Table 4.2: Individuals before and after binary mutation

After the exploration step, the population is full of newly created chromosomes (children) and steps two through four are repeated. This process continues for a fixed number of generations.

### 4.5.2 GA Terminology

1. **Chromosome Length** is the number of genes present on the chromosome. The chromosome length is an important consideration when optimizing a real variable problem. Longer chromosomes allow better conversion from the binary chromosome to the real number variable. However, the longer chromosome is computationally more inefficient and generally takes longer to find the optimal region. This concept can be studied by changing the fitness function to the bohachevsky function.

2. **Population Size** is the number of chromosomes in the population. Larger population sizes increase the amount of variation present in the population at the expense of requiring more fitness function evaluations. The best population size is dependent upon both the application and the length of the chromosome. For longer chromosomes or more challenging the optimization problems, I usually use a population size greater than 100, while for simpler problems a population size of 20 will lead to good results.

3. **Number of Generations** is the maximum number of generations that will be performed.
4. **Mutation Rate** is the probability of mutation occurring. Mutation is the random flipping of one of the bits or genes (i.e., change a 0 to 1). Mutation is employed to give new information to the population. It also prevents the population from becoming saturated with chromosomes that all look alike (premature convergence). Large mutation rates increase the probability of destroying a good chromosome, but prevent premature convergence. The best mutation rate is application dependent and related to both the length of the chromosome and the size of the population. For most applications a mutation rate of 0.1 to 0.01 is employed.

5. **Crossover Rate** is the probability of crossover reproduction being performed. A high crossover is used to encourage good mixing of the chromosomes. For most applications a crossover rate of 0.75 to 0.95 is employed.

6. **Crossover Type** is the type of crossover reproduction that is employed. The GA demo allows three different types of crossover: single, double, and uniform. The choice of crossover type is primarily application dependent.

7. **Elitist Operator** determines whether the best chromosome for each population is placed into the next generation unchanged. Most applications that I have seen use some form of elitist operator. If the elitist operator is turned on, the best fitness score from one population to the next will never decrease.

8. **Fitness Function** allows the user to decide which fitness function the GA should employ. The first fitness function is called the simple function and consists of the summation of the chromosome. The second fitness function finds chromosomes which optimize the Bohachevsky function. The third fitness function finds chromosomes which optimize the Rosenbrock function Genetic Algorithms.

### 4.5.3 General Rules to Set Parameters of Genetic Algorithm

1. **Population size:**

   It influences amount of search points in every generation. There is always a trade-off between diversity of population and computation time. The more population size in the Gas will increase the efficiency of searching, but it will time consuming. When the population is less GA may converge in too few generations to ensure a good solution. The population size usually ranges from five to ten times the number of searched variables. [20]

2. **Crossover Probability:**

   The crossover probability controls the rate at which solutions are subjected to crossover i.e. influences the efficiency of exchanging information. The higher the crossover probability the quicker the new solutions are generated & lower crossover rate may stagnate the search due to loss of exploration power. Typical values of the crossover probability are in the range 0.5-1.0.
3. **Mutation Probability:** - A large value of the mutation probability transforms the GA into a purely random search algorithm by eliminating the results of reproduction & crossover. While a certain value of the mutation probability is required to prevent the convergence of the GA to suboptimal solutions. A typical value of the mutation probability is in the range 0.0-0.1.

4. **Chromosome length:** - It influences the resolution of the searching result. The GAs with longer chromosome length will have the higher resolution, but it will increase the search space.

5. **Number of Generations:** - which influences the searching time and searching result. The GAs with larger search space and less population size, it needs more generations for a global optimum. Additionally, the set of the number of generations is dependent on the problem.

**Calculating code length**

For example: For gain $\alpha_1$: Range [10 25]

\[
\text{Range} = (\alpha_1^{\text{max}} - \alpha_1^{\text{min}}) \times 10^4 \\
= (25-10)\times 10^4 \\
= 150000 \\
= 2^{17} < 150000 < 2^{18}
\]

Length of $\alpha_1 = 18$

<table>
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<th>Variable</th>
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<th>High Range</th>
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<td>18</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>20</td>
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**Table 4.3: Typical Parameter Ranges**

In recent years, Genetic Algorithms have undergone evolution itself. Big modifications in its structure, operations and operators (mutation, crossover etc) came into existence to compensate the harsh requirements of the real-world problems. In order to satisfy hard and multiple constraints, varying search spaces and demand for fast convergence time has extended the present GA to the next level. Real Coded GA, Constrained GA, Polyploidy, Niche operators etc used to tune FLC are few example of the next level
GA [18, 19]. Other new possibilities are also emerging by hybridization of other classical & evolutionary methods with GA, for example amalgamation of Fuzzy Logic, Neural Networks, Particle Swarm, Simulated Annealing with GA are used to tune the FLC for robot navigations.

In addition to choice of population strategy and all other GA parameters previously outlined, the form of objective function used in evaluating GA-population members is an essential factor of the optimization task [20]. In the realm of FLC optimization, numerous objective functions have been adopted based on minimizing particular attributes of the system response such as the Mean Square Error (MSE) [21], cost equations based on response rise and settling times and integral of absolute error (IAE) [22]. Irrespective of definition, the suitability of the objective function as a system performance indicator is critical to the successful application of a Genetic Algorithm and thus requires careful selection. Once constructed around a suitable objective function, the GA proceeds to evaluate candidate solutions using the objective function in order to gauge the performance of each potential solution when applied to the problem domain [23]. Successful, and partially successful, solutions are rewarded by having “their genetic information” perpetuated to successive generations in the search for the optimal solution, while those potential solutions exhibiting poor performance are removed from “the genepool.”

4.6 Adaptive Neuro Fuzzy Inference System (ANFIS)

We can bring the low level learning & computational power of Neural Networks into fuzzy systems and also high level humanlike IF-THEN rule thinking and reasoning of Fuzzy system into neural networks ANFIS is a multi layer Neural Networks [24].

The acronym ANFIS derives its name from adaptive Neuro-fuzzy inference system. Using a given input/output data set, the toolbox function ANFIS constructs a fuzzy inference system (FIS) whose membership function parameters are tuned (adjusted) using either a backpropagation algorithm alone, or in combination with a least squares type of method. This allows your fuzzy systems to learn from the data they are modeling.

The basic idea behind these Neuro-adaptive learning techniques is very simple. These techniques provide a method for the fuzzy modeling procedure to learn information about a data set, in order to compute the membership function parameters that best allow the associated fuzzy inference system to track the given input/output data. This learning method works similarly to that of neural networks. Figure 4.4 shows the ANFIS architecture. The Fuzzy Logic Toolbox function that accomplishes this membership function parameter adjustment is called ANFIS. The ANFIS function can be accessed either from the command line, or through the ANFIS Editor.
GUI. Since the functionality of the command line function ANFIS and the ANFIS Editor GUI is similar.

![ANFIS Architecture](image)

**Figure 4.4: ANFIS Architecture**

There are FIVE layers in ANFIS MATLAB User Guide [25]:

**Layer 1: Adaptive Layer [Premise]**

Each node (i) is an adaptive node with a node function:

\[ O_{1,i} = U_{A_i}(x) \text{ for } i = 1,2 \]

\[ O_{1,i} = U_{B_{i-2}}(y) \text{ for } i = 3,4 \]

Where: x,y,… : Input to the node (i)

A_i and B_{i-2} : Linguistic Variables

Parameters in this layer are called: **Premise Parameters**

**Layer 2: Operator Layer [Fuzzy Operation]**

This is a fixed node, whose output is product of all incoming signals. Each node represents firing strength of a rule (*Any operator: min algebraic product, bounded product or drastic product ..... Can be used*)

**Layer 3: Normalizing Layer [Rule Strength]**

The (i)\(^{th}\) node calculates normalizes value of the weights using formulae
\[ O_3 = \left[ \frac{w_i}{(w_1 + w_2)} \right] \text{ for } i=1,2... \]

The output of the node is called Normalized strength.

**Layer 4: Adaptive Layer [Consequence]**

Each \( (i) \)\(^{th} \) node is adaptive node with the function:

\[ O_4 = O_3 \cdot f_i = O_3 (p_i \cdot x + q_i \cdot y + r_i) \]

Where: \( O_3 \) : Output of layer 3

\( (p_i, q_i, r_i) \) : Consequent parameter set

**Layer 5: Output Layer**

The node computes overall output as sum of all incoming signals:

\[ O_{5,1} = \sum_i [O_{3,1} \cdot f_i] = \sum_i O_{3,1} / \sum_i w_i \]

### 4.7 Software Development Tools

The developments tools such as MATLAB, SIMULINK, and tools boxes are described in the section. Their use is illustrated by applications.

#### 4.7.1 MATLAB 7

MATLAB [26] is a high-performance language for technical computing. The name MATLAB stands for *Matrix Laboratory*. A numerical analyst called Cleve Moler wrote the first version of MATLAB in the 1970s. It has since evolved into a successful commercial software package. The MATLAB system consists of five main parts:

#### Development Environment:

This is the set of tools and facilities that help to use MATLAB functions and files. Many of these tools are graphical user interfaces. It includes the MATLAB desktop and Command Window, a command history, an editor and debugger, and browsers for viewing help, the workspace, files, and the search path.

The main features available in MATLAB are shown in Figure 4.5(a) and Main window of MATLAB is as shown in Figure 4.5 (b).
Figure 4.5(a): a schematic diagram of Main features: MATLAB
The MATLAB Mathematical Function Library: - This is a vast collection of computational algorithms ranging from elementary functions, like sum, sine, cosine, and complex arithmetic.

The MATLAB Language: - This is a high-level matrix/array language with control flow statements, functions, data structures, input/output, and object-oriented programming features.

The MATLAB Application Program Interface (API): - This is a library that allows you to write C and FORTRAN programs that interact with MATLAB. It includes facilities for calling routines from MATLAB (dynamic linking), calling MATLAB as a computational engine, and for reading and writing MAT-files. Toolboxes available in MATLAB 7.0 and used in the thesis are listed in Table 4.4.

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<td>Optimization Toolbox</td>
<td>Robust Control</td>
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<td>Neural Network</td>
<td>Fuzzy Logic</td>
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Table 4.4: TOOL BOXES used from MATLAB 7
4.7.2 SIMULINK 6

Simulink [27] is a software package for modeling, simulating, and analyzing dynamic systems. It supports linear and nonlinear systems, modeled in continuous time, sampled time, or a hybrid of the two. Systems can also be multi rate, i.e., have different parts that are sampled or updated at different rates. SIMULINK window is shown in Figure 4.6.

![Figure 4.6: SIMULINK library browser window](image)

Block set used from the SIMULINK 6.0 library are listed in Table 4.5.

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<th>Simulink</th>
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<td>Simulink Accelerator</td>
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<td>Simulink Response Optimization</td>
<td>Fixed-Point Blockset</td>
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Table 4.5: Block sets used from SIMULINK 6

4.7.3 FUZZY Logic toolbox

It is a collection of functions built on MATLAB. It provides tools to create and edit Fuzzy Inference System. Fuzzy system can interact to SIMULINK model. Functions used to create fuzzy system and their descriptions are given in Table 4.6 [28].
4.7.4 Neural Network Toolbox

The MATLAB neural network toolbox provides a complete set of functions and a graphical user interface for the design, implementation, visualization, and simulation of neural networks. It supports the most commonly used supervised and unsupervised network architectures and a comprehensive set of training and learning functions. The neural network toolbox extends the MATLAB computing environment to provide tools for the design, implementation, visualization, and simulation of neural network. Table 4.7 lists MATLAB functions used for training and learning of the ANN controller [29].

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<tr>
<th>Functions</th>
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<tr>
<td>newff :</td>
<td>Create a Feed forward back propagation network.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>purelin</td>
<td>Linear transfer function</td>
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<tr>
<td>tansig</td>
<td>Hyperbolic tangent sigmoid transfer function.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Traingd</td>
<td>Gradient descent back propagation.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>sim</td>
<td>Simulation of Simulink model</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>gensim</td>
<td>Generate Simulink block simulate a neural network.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Train</td>
<td>trains a network NET according to NET.trainFcn and NET.trainParam.</td>
</tr>
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Table 4.7: Functions used from ANN Toolbox

4.7.5 GADS Toolbox

GADS stands for Genetic Algorithm and Direct Search Toolbox [30]. The Genetic Algorithm and Direct Search Toolbox is a collection of functions that extend the capabilities of the Optimization Toolbox and the MATLAB® numeric computing environment. The Genetic Algorithm and Direct Search Toolbox includes routines for solving optimization problems using

- Genetic algorithm
- Direct search
These algorithms enable you to solve a variety of optimization problems that lie outside the scope of the standard Optimization Toolbox.

There are main four functions related to Genetic Algorithms available to the user in Genetic Algorithm and Direct Search Toolbox as tabulated in Table 4.8.

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<th>Function</th>
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<tr>
<td>ga</td>
<td>Find the minimum of a function using the genetic algorithm</td>
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<td>gaoptimget</td>
<td>Get values of a genetic algorithm options structure</td>
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<tr>
<td>gaoptimset</td>
<td>Create a genetic algorithm options structure</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>gatool</td>
<td>Open the Genetic Algorithm Tool</td>
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**Table 4.8: Function Description**

4.7.6 ANFIS Editor

To start ANFIS editor [26] GUI, on the MATLAB command prompt type the following…

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>>anfisedit
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![ANFIS Editor GUI](image)

**Figure 4.7: ANFIS Editor GUI**

The ANFIS Editor GUI is shown in Figure 4.7. The main functions in the anfisedit are the loading of the training data from the work space. Then after by loading the training data into the anfiseditor select the sub clustering button to generate the FIS model. After doing these steps
now select the training algorithm and error tolerance and number of epochs. Now press the train button which will train the Neuro-fuzzy controller and it generates the training rules itself.

\section*{GENERAL DESIGN METHODOLOGY}

1. Analyze the problem and find whether it has sufficient elements for a neural network solution. Consider alternative approaches. A simple DSP/ASIC based direct solution may be satisfactory.

2. If the ANN is to represent a static function, then a three-layer feedforward network should be sufficient. For a dynamic function select either a recurrent network or a time delayed network. Information about the structure and order of the dynamic system is required.

3. Select input nodes equal to the number of input signals and output nodes equal to the number of output signals and a bias source. For a feedforward network, select the initially hidden layer neurons typically mean of input and output nodes.

4. Create an input/output training data table. Capture the data from an experimental plant or simulation results, if possible.

5. Select input scale factor to normalize the input signals and the corresponding output scale factor for denormalization.

6. Select generally a sigmoidal transfer function for unipolar output and a hyperbolic tan function for bipolar output.

7. Select a development system, such as Neural Network Toolbox in MATLAB.

8. Select appropriate learning coefficients ($\eta$) and momentum factor ($\mu$).

9. Select an acceptable training error $\xi$ and a number of epochs. The training will stop whichever criterion was met earlier.

10. After the training is complete with all the patterns, test the network performance with some intermediate data points.

11. Finally, download the weights and implement the network by hardware or software.

\section*{Summary}

The theoretical background of soft computing techniques such as fuzzy logic, ANN, GA and ANFIS is summarized and described. Toolboxes available for deploying soft computing techniques in MATLAB and used in our research work for the design and testing of proposed techniques are described in detail. Procedural steps to be followed in each traits are discussed in detail.