



- c The following table shows evaluations of a simulated annealing algorithm. For each evaluation give the probability of the next state being accepted. Assume the objective function is being maximised. Discuss the results. 6

No.	Current State (Evaluation)	Potential New State (Evaluation)	Temperature
1	120	50	20
2	120	50	500
3	120	100	20
4	120	100	500
7	120	150	20
8	120	150	500

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| 3. a   | One-Point Crossover is not suitable for The Travelling Salesman Problem (TSP). Why is this? | 3     |

**Answer b or c**

- b Suppose a genetic algorithm uses chromosomes of the form  $x = a b c d e f g h$  with a fixed length of eight genes. Each gene can be any digit between 0 and 9. Let the fitness of individual  $x$  be calculated as: 6

$f(x) = (a + b) - (c + d) + (e + f) - (g + h)$ , and let the initial population consist of four individuals with the following chromosomes:

$$x_1 = 65413532$$

$$x_2 = 87126601$$

$$x_3 = 23921285$$

$$x_4 = 41852094$$

Evaluate the fitness of each individual, and arrange them in order with the fittest first and the least fit last.

Perform the following crossover operations:

- i) Cross the fittest two individuals using one-point crossover at the middle point.
  - ii) Cross the second and third fittest individuals using a two-point crossover (points b and f).
- c Name and describe the main features of Genetic Algorithms 6

**Q. No.** **Module 4** **Marks**  
4. a Explain path retracing done in ACO and discuss its relevance. 3

**Answer b or c**

b Using the travelling salesman problem as an example, define the following terms with relation to ant algorithms 6

Visibility

Evaporation

Transition Probability

c Explain any three variants of ACO algorithm 6

**Q. No.** **Module 5** **Marks**  
5. a What is the initialization step of the Particle Swarm Optimization method? 4

**Answer b or c**

b How are the velocity and position of particles updated? Explain in detail with the pseudo code 8

c Describe the neighbourhood topologies used in Particle Swarm Optimization 8

**Q. No.** **Module 6** **Marks**  
6. a Differentiate  $abc_{gbest}$  and  $abc_{gbestdist}$  algorithms 4

**Answer b or c**

b Explain Artificial Bee Colony algorithm and its working in detail. Write the criteria for selecting and abandoning a food source by bees. 8

c Suggest a method for solving any NP problem with ABC algorithm. Explain with example based on fitness of each and every next generation. 8