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Sincerely, Piero Bonissone <bonissone@ge.com>

FORMATTING REQUIREMENTS

Your paper does not need any formatting changes.

REVIEWERS' COMMENTS

REVIEW NO. 1

Originality: Weak Accept
Significance of topic: Weak Accept
Technical quality: Accept
Relevance to FUZZ-IEEE 2010:Accept
Presentation: Accept

Presentation: Accept
Overall rating: Accept

Reviewer's expertise on the topic: High Suggested form of presentation: Oral Best Paper Award nomination: No

Comments to the authors:

This is a well-written and interesting paper on heuristic search for fuzzy-rough feature selection. The $\,$

experimental results are encouraging.

REVIEW NO. 2

Originality: Weak Accept
Significance of topic: Neutral
Technical quality: Weak Accept
Relevance to FUZZ-IEEE 2010:Strong Accept

Presentation: Weak Accept Overall rating: Weak Accept

Reviewer's expertise on the topic: High Suggested form of presentation: Poster Best Paper Award nomination: No

Comments to the authors:

- 1. I would suggest adding more thorough analysis of time complexity in order to understand how fast the proposed method is in comparison to other heuristics.
- 2. I would strongly recommend comparing the results to those obtained using o-GA, that is order-based hybrid genetic algorithm implemented to search for reducts in the RSES system. As far as I know, this is the most successful (at least in most of the cases) algorithm known so far. For some references please look at some papers co-authored by Jakub Wroblewski.
- 3. I would also recommend working with multiple reducts instead of a single reduct, which is now a strong trend in data mining (not only with regards to the rough set approaches). I understand that basing on a single reduct search provides convenient means for comparisons, but the classification results are not competitive to the state of the art, in general.
- 4. In Introduction, when writing about extensions of rough sets, it would be good to mention also about those based on tolerance relations (see e.g. papers

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co-authored by Stepaniuk) or massive discretization (so called roughfication - Slezak and Wroblewski). Fuzzy extensions are very powerful but they are not the only ones. It's important to make the paper complete.

5. Minor issues: Please decide whether you write "harmony search" or "Harmony

Search". In Section A, page 2, line 12 there is "are" - I'm not sure whether

it's right. There may be also some other minor corrections needed.

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REVIEW NO. 3

Originality: Weak Accept
Significance of topic: Accept
Technical quality: Accept

Relevance to FUZZ-IEEE 2010:Strong Accept

Presentation: Weak Accept Overall rating: Accept

Reviewer's expertise on the topic: Medium Suggested form of presentation: Oral Best Paper Award nomination: No

Comments to the authors:

This work presents two new approaches for feature selection based on harmony

search to solve feature selection problems.

Detailed comments:

- 1. It's better to change "novel" into "new" in this paper.
- 2. The experiment part needs to enhance.

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