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## **Special issue on Computational Intelligence and Soft Computing**

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Computational intelligence and soft computing are emerging fields that consist of complementary elements of fuzzy logic, neural computing, evolutionary computation, machine learning, and probabilistic reasoning. Because of their strong learning and cognitive ability as well as tolerance of uncertainty and inaccuracy, computational intelligence and soft computing techniques have found applications in a wide range of problem domains. The field has been growing rapidly with a strong participation of researchers in management, mathematics, physics, computer science, finance, linguistics, neuroscience, biology, psychology, cognitive science, and a variety of engineering disciplines.

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grey theory,  
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