# uc3m Universidad Carlos III de Madrid

## Methods and optimization techniques

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Department assigned to the subject: Mechanical Engineering Department

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Type: Electives ECTS Credits: 3.0

Year: 1 Semester: 2

## REQUIREMENTS (SUBJECTS THAT ARE ASSUMED TO BE KNOWN)

It is recommended to be engineer in industrial field

#### **OBJECTIVES**

Upon successful completion of this subject, students will be able to:

- 1. identify and pose an optimization problem.
- 2. Apply local optimisation methods to solve an optimization problem.
- 3. Apply genetic algorithms to solve an optimization problem.
- 4. Apply neural networks to solve an optimization problem.

#### **DESCRIPTION OF CONTENTS: PROGRAMME**

- 1. Introduction to optimization in mechanical engineering
- 2. Local optimization methods
- 3. Global optimization methods. Genetic Algorithms
- 4. Other optimization techniques. Neural Networks

## LEARNING ACTIVITIES AND METHODOLOGY

Training activities include:

- Master classes
- Question-answering classes
- Student presentations
- Individual tutorials
- Personal work of the student

# ASSESSMENT SYSTEM

The evaluation system is based on continuous evaluation which includes exercises throughout the term and a report and its presentation at the end of the term.

The percentage weight of the continuous evaluation is 100%, with 65% of the weight for the exercises and 35% for the report.

The extraordinary evaluation will be carried out by means of the delivery of all the reports and exercises of the subject, with a weight of 100% of the final grade.

% end-of-term-examination:

% of continuous assessment (assigments, laboratory, practicals...): 100

## **BASIC BIBLIOGRAPHY**

- Arora Introduction to optimum design, Elsevier.
- Goldberg, D. Genetic algorithms in search, optimization and machine learning, Addison-Wesley.
- Haykin, S. Neural Networks. A comprehensive foundation, Prentice Hall.