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                         Resources Arad. The soft computing concept was introduced by Lotfi
                         Zadeh in 1991 and serves to highli ght the emergence of computing
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                         lower costs. Soft computing facilitates the combined use of fuzzy logic,
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                         emergence of new tools and applications calls for a synergy of scientific
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