

Self-Tuning Neuro Fuzzy Controller for Speed Control of Induction Motor

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Abstract:

In this paper a novel and simplified self-tuned neuro-fuzzy controller (NFC) is developed for speed control of an induction motor (IM) drive. The proposed NFC combines fuzzy logic and a four-layer artificial neural network (ANN) scheme. Based on the knowledge of motor control and intelligent algorithms an unsupervised self-tuning method is developed to adjust membership functions and weights of the proposed NFC. Unlike conventional NFCs, which utilize both speed error and its derivative as inputs of NFC for speed control of IM, the input of the proposed NFC is only the speed error. Comparison of results in simulation proves that the simplification of the proposed NFC does not decrease system performance. The proposed NFC has lower computation burden and is easier to implement in practical applications.

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Neuro-fuzzy, Self-tuning, Induction Motor, Indirect Field Oriented Control, Digital Signal Processing and Real-Time Implementation.

1.INTRODUCTION:

Among various ac motors, induction motor (IM) occupies almost 90% of the industrial drives due to its simple and robust construction; however, the control of IM is complex due to its nonlinear nature and the parameters change with operating conditions. Artificial intelligent controller (AIC) could be the best candidate for IM control. Over the last two decades researchers have been working to apply AIC for induction motor drives [1-3]. This is because that AIC possesses advantages as compared to the conventional PI, PID and their adaptive versions.

The main advantages are that the designs of these controllers do not depend on accurate system mathematical model and their performances are robust. In this paper a neuro-fuzzy controller (NFC), as an AIC, is considered because of limitations of either fuzzy logic or neural network [4]. A simple fuzzy controller implemented in the motor drive speed control has a narrow speed operation and needs much more manual adjusting by trial and error if high performance is wanted [1]. On the other hand, it is extremely tough to create a serial of training data for ANN that can handle all the operating modes [4]. Neuro-fuzzy controllers (NFCs), which overcome disadvantages of fuzzy logic controllers and neural network controllers, have been utilized by authors and other researchers for motor drive applications [3-5]. Despite many advantages of NFCs, the industry has been still reluctant to apply these controllers for commercial drives due to high computational burden caused by large number of membership functions, weights and rules, especially on self-tuning condition. High computation burden leads to low sampling frequency, which is not sufficient for implementation. In [4] the authors found relatively high torque ripple caused by low sample rate in a discrete direct torque control based on a neuro-fuzzy structure. In [3] only weights were tuned to lower the computational burden, but the cost is performance decreasing. Conventional NFCs [3-5] usually utilize two inputs, $\Delta\omega$ and ω' , which lead to large number of membership functions and rules. The adoption of ω & ω' can improve controller's robustness [10-12]. But the difficult of fast and precise acceleration measurement deteriorates this ability and even makes utilization of acceleration useless. A NFC with one input, three membership functions, four-layer structure is proposed in this paper. This simplified version NFC lowers computation burden without decreasing performance and is suitable for real-time implementation.

An unsupervised self-tuning method is developed based on the knowledge of intelligent algorithms and motor control requirements. The main task of the tuning method is to adjust the parameters of the membership functions and weights in order to minimize the square of the speed error between actual and reference value. A simulation model for indirect field oriented control of IM incorporating the proposed self-tuned NFC is developed in Matlab/Simulink. The performance of the proposed drive is investigated in simulation at different operating conditions. In order to prove the superiority of the proposed NFC, the performances of the proposed controller are also compared to those obtained by a conventional PI controller.

II. INDUCTION MOTOR DYNAMICS:

The mathematical model for a three-phase Y-connected squirrel-cage IM in a d-q synchronously rotating reference frame is described in (1)-(4).

$$\begin{bmatrix} v_{ds}^e \\ v_{qs}^e \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} R_s + pL_s & \omega L_s & pL_m & \omega L_m \\ -\omega L_s & R_s + pL_s & -\omega L_m & pL_m \\ pL_m & (\omega_r - \omega)L_m & R_r + pL_r & (\omega_r - \omega)L_r \\ -(\omega_r - \omega)L_m & pL_m & (\omega_r - \omega)L_r & R_r + pL_r \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} i_{ds}^e \\ i_{qs}^e \\ i_{dr}^e \\ i_{qr}^e \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T_e = J_m \frac{d\omega_r}{dt} + B_m \omega_r + T_L$$

$$T_e = \frac{3}{2} \frac{P}{2} L_m (i_{qs}^e i_{dr}^e - i_{ds}^e i_{qr}^e)$$

$$\frac{d\theta_r}{dt} = \omega_r$$

where v_{ds}^e, v_{qs}^e are d,q axis stator voltages, i_{ds}^e, i_{qs}^e are d,q axis stator currents, i_{dr}^e, i_{qr}^e are d,q axis rotor currents, R_s, R_r are the stator and rotor resistances per phase, L_s, L_r are the self-inductances of the stator and rotor, respectively; L_m is the mutual or magnetizing inductance; ω is the speed of the rotating magnetic field; ω_r is the rotor speed; P is the number of poles; p is the differential operator (d/dt); T_e is the developed electromagnetic torque; T_L is the load torque; J_m is the rotor inertia; B_m is the rotor damping coefficient; and θ_r is the rotor position. The motor parameters are given in the appendix. The two-axis stator voltages and currents are related to the three-phase representations by equation

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_{qs}^e \\ x_{ds}^e \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\sin\omega_r t & \cos\omega_r t \\ \cos\omega_r t & \sin\omega_r t \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} \\ 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_{as} \\ x_{bs} \\ x_{cs} \end{bmatrix}$$

Where x may represent the current or voltage

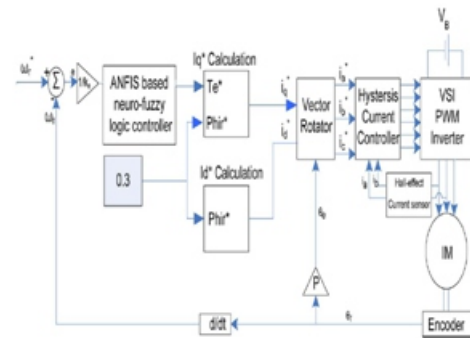


Fig 1: Block diagram of the proposed NFC based IM drive.

Control Structure:

The key feature of the field-oriented control is to keep the magnetizing current at a constant rated value by setting $i_{dr} = 0$. Thus the torque-producing current component i_{qr} can be adjusted according to the torque demand. With this assumption, the mathematical formulations can be rewritten as:

$$\omega_{sl} = \frac{R_r}{L_r} \frac{i_{qs}^e}{i_{ds}^e}$$

$$i_{qs}^e = -\frac{L_m}{L_r} i_{qr}^e$$

$$T_e = \frac{3}{2} \frac{P}{2} \frac{L_m}{L_r} \lambda_{dr}^e i_{qs}^e$$

Where ω_{sl} is the slip speed and λ_{dr}^e is the d-axis rotor flux linkage. Equations are used to simulate the whole drive system. The schematic diagram of the proposed NFC-based indirect field oriented control of induction motor is shown in Fig.1. The basic configuration of the drive system consists of an induction motor fed by a current controlled voltage source inverter. The normalized speed error $\Delta\omega\%$ is processed by the neuro-fuzzy controller to generate the reference torque $T_e^*(n)$

The command current $i_q^*(n)$ is calculated from above equation as following:

$$i_q^*(n) = T_e^*(n) \frac{2}{3} \frac{2}{P} \frac{L_r}{L_m} \frac{1}{\lambda_{dr}^*}$$

Currents i_q^* and i_d^* are transformed into i_a^* , i_b^* and i_c^* . The phase command currents i_a^* , i_b^* and i_c^* are then compared with the corresponding actual currents, i_a , i_b and i_c to generate PWM logic signals, which are used to fire the power semiconductor switches of the 3-phase inverter. Thus the inverter produces the actual voltages to run the induction motor.

III. NEURO-FUZZY CONTROLLER:

The proposed NFC incorporates fuzzy logic and a learning algorithm with a four-layer artificial neural network (ANN) structure as depicted in Fig 2. The learning algorithm modifies the NFC to closely match the desired system performance. The detailed discussions on different layers of the NFC are given below.

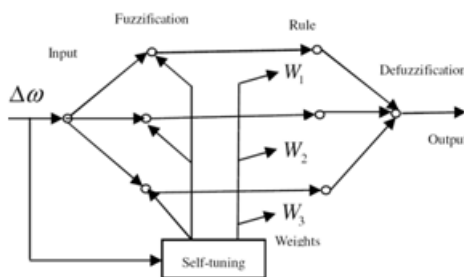


Fig 2: Structure of the NFC

Input Layer:

The input of the proposed NFC is the normalized speed error, which is given by:

$$OI = [(\omega^* - \omega)/\omega^*]100\%$$

Where ω is the measured speed, ω^* is the command speed, I denotes the 1st layer.

Fuzzification Layer:

Three membership function based fuzzy set is utilized to obtain the fuzzy number for the input. In the proposed NFC, triangular and trapezoidal functions are chosen as the membership functions as shown in Fig. 3.

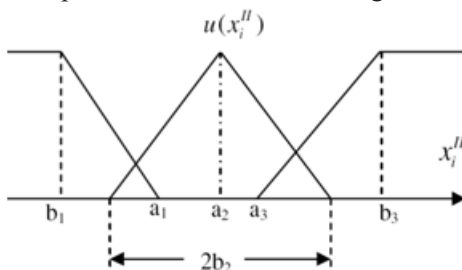


Fig 3: Membership functions for input

The node equations are given as:

$$O_1^{II} = \begin{cases} 1 & x_i^{II} \leq b_1 \\ \frac{x_i^{II} - a_1}{b_1 - a_1} & b_1 < x_i^{II} < a_1 \\ 0 & x_i^{II} \geq a_1 \end{cases},$$

$$O_2^{II} = \begin{cases} 0 & |x_i^{II}| \geq b_2 \\ 1 - \frac{x_i^{II} - a_2}{b_2} & |x_i^{II}| < b_2 \end{cases},$$

$$O_3^{II} = \begin{cases} 0 & x_i^{II} \leq a_3 \\ \frac{x_i^{II} - a_3}{b_3 - a_3} & a_3 < x_i^{II} < b_3 \\ 1 & x_i^{II} \geq b_3 \end{cases}.$$

Where x_i^{II} is the input of the 2nd layer which is same as the output of 1st layer. It is considered that $a_2=0$ in order to further lower computational burden.

Rule Layer:

No “AND” logic is needed in the rule layer since there is only one input in the input layer. The node equations in rule layer are specified as:

$$O_i^{III} = x_i^{III} w_j = O_i^{II} w_j$$

Where x_i^{III} is the input of the 3rd layer which is same as the output of 2nd layer.

Defuzzification Layer:

The center of gravity method is used to determine the output of NFC. The node equation is specified as:

$$y = O_i^{VI} = \frac{\sum x_i^{VI}}{\sum O_j^{VI}} = \frac{\sum O_i^{III}}{\sum O_j^{III}}$$

Where x_i^{VI} is the input of the 4th layer which is same as the output of 3rd layer

IV. ONLINE SELF-TUNING ALGORITHM:

Since it is impossible to determine or calculate desired NFC's output i_{eqs} and find train data off-line covering all operating conditions, a kind of unsupervised on-line self-tuning method is introduced in this paper. Instead of using desired controller's output i_{eqs} as target, an reinforcement signal (r), which assesses the performance of controller and evaluates the current state of system, is employed to guide our control action into changing in the right direction as well as produce desired response.

TheNFC’s task is to modify its parameters so that the objectivefunction of the reinforcement signal is decreased. The objective function to be minimized is defined by

$$E = \frac{1}{2} r^2 = \frac{1}{2} (\omega^* - \omega)^2$$

Hence, the learning rules can be derived as follows:

$$a_i(n+1) = a_i(n) - \eta_{a_i} \frac{\partial E}{\partial a_i}$$

$$b_i(n+1) = b_i(n) - \eta_{b_i} \frac{\partial E}{\partial b_i}$$

$$w_j(n+1) = w_j(n) - \eta_{w_j} \frac{\partial E}{\partial w_j}$$

Where $\eta_{a_i}, \eta_{b_i}, \eta_{w_j}$ are the learning rates of the corresponding parameters. The derivatives can be found by chain rule as:

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial a_i} = \frac{\partial E}{\partial r} \frac{\partial r}{\partial \omega} \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial O_i''} \frac{\partial O_i''}{\partial a_i}$$

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial b_i} = \frac{\partial E}{\partial r} \frac{\partial r}{\partial \omega} \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial O_i''} \frac{\partial O_i''}{\partial b_i}$$

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial w_j} = \frac{\partial E}{\partial r} \frac{\partial r}{\partial \omega} \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial w_j}$$

where the common parts of equations are

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial r} = r = \omega^* - \omega$$

$$\frac{\partial r}{\partial \omega} = -1$$

$$\frac{\partial \omega}{\partial y} = J$$

where J is a Jacobean Matrix of the system

From above equations the update rules can be determined as follows

$$w_j(n) = w_j(n-1) + \eta_{w_j} r(n) \frac{O_i''(n-1)}{\sum O_j''}$$

$$a_1(n+1) = a_1(n) - \eta_{a_1} r(n) \frac{w_1(n)}{\sum O_j''} \frac{1 - O_1''(n)}{b_1(n) - a_1(n)}$$

$$b_1(n+1) = b_1(n) - \eta_{b_1} r(n) \frac{w_1(n)}{\sum O_j''} \frac{O_1''(n)}{b_1(n) - a_1(n)}$$

$$b_2(n+1) = b_2(n) + \eta_{b_2} r(n) \frac{w_2(n)}{\sum O_j''} \frac{1 - O_2''(n)}{b_2(n)}$$

$$a_3(n+1) = a_3(n) - \eta_{a_3} r(n) \frac{w_3(n)}{\sum O_j''} \frac{1 - O_3''(n)}{b_3(n) - a_3(n)}$$

$$b_3(n+1) = b_3(n) - \eta_{b_3} r(n) \frac{w_3(n)}{\sum O_j''} \frac{O_3''(n)}{b_3(n) - a_3(n)}$$

In our control scheme, we set $\eta_{a1} = \eta_{a3} = \eta_{b1} = \eta_{b2} = \eta_{b3}$. Based on these update rules, the following steps are employed for tuning the parameters of a_1, a_3, b_1, b_2, b_3 and w_j :

Step 1: First an initial set of fuzzy logic rules and initial values of a_1, a_3, b_1, b_2, b_3 and w_j are selected

Step 2: The normalized speed error is calculated, which is input to the NFC

Step 3: Fuzzy reasoning is performed for the input data. The membership values O_i'' are to be calculated

Step 4: Tuning of the weights w_j of the consequent part is performed

Step 5: Tuning of the a_1, a_3, b_1, b_2, b_3 is done by substituting the tuned real number w_j obtained in step 4, the measured reinforcement signal r

Step 6: Repeat from step 3

V. SIMULATION RESULTS:

The performance of the proposed NFC is compared to a tuned PI controller in a simulation model developed in Matlab/Simulink software according to Fig.1. Based upon tests, it is evident that the proposed NFC has advantages such as no speed overshoot, less dropdown and better tracking over conventional PI controller. It also shows that the proposed NFC does not decrease system performance significantly as compared to the conventional 2-input and 9-membership functions NFC. These simulation results prove that the proposed NFC has no tradeoff between simplification and performance decreasing.

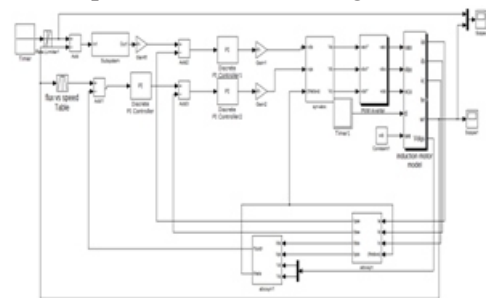


Fig 4: simulation circuit for induction motor with control strategy

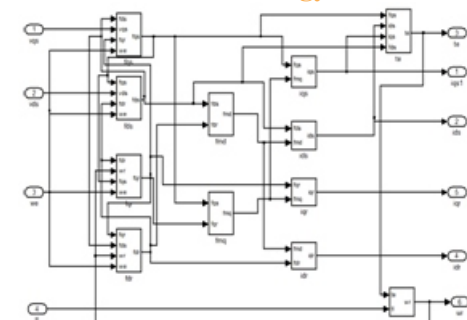


Fig 5: dynamic modeling of induction motor in simulink

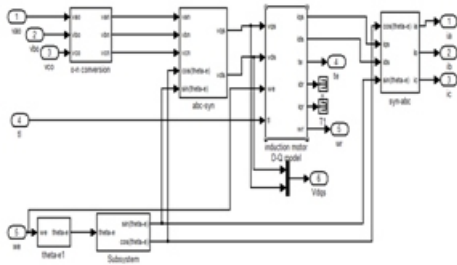


Fig 6: synchronous frame representation of induction motor

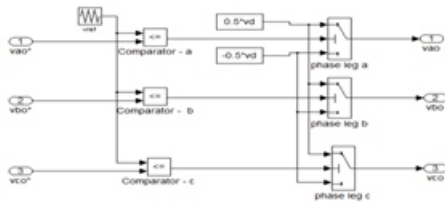


Fig 7: PWM inverter



Fig 8: reference rotor speed and actual speed under PI controller

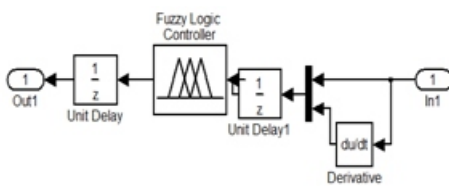


Fig 9: fuzzy logic controller

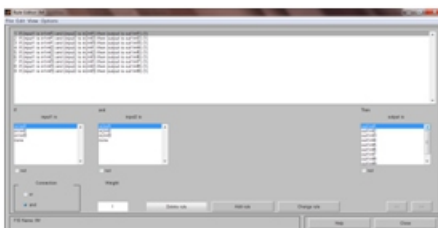


Fig 10: fuzzy rules



Fig 11: reference rotor speed and actual speed under double input



Fig 12: reference rotor speed and actual speed under proposed NFC

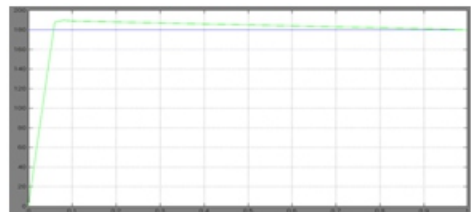


Fig 13: Simulated speed responses of the IM drive with doubled rotor resistance PI controller



Fig 14: Simulated speed responses of the IM drive with doubled rotor resistance Conventional two-input NFC



Fig 15: Simulated speed responses of the IM drive with doubled rotor resistance Proposed NFC

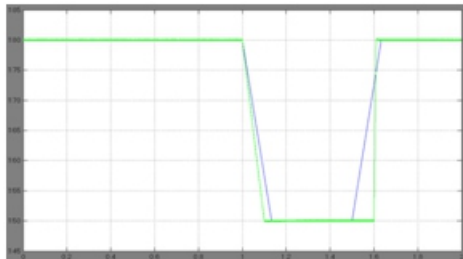


Fig 16: Simulated speed responses of the IM drive at a step change of speed reference PI controller

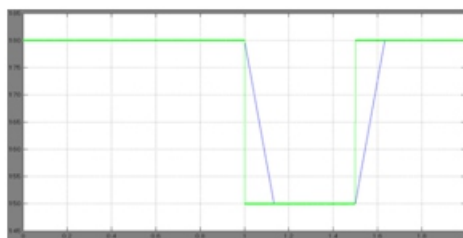


Fig 17: Simulated speed responses of the IM drive at a step change of speed reference Conventional two-input NFC.

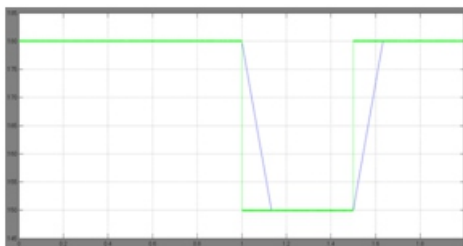


Fig 18: Simulated speed responses of the IM drive at a step change of speed reference Proposed NFC

CONCLUSION:

In this paper, a novel and simplified on-line self-tuning NFC-based speed control of IM drive has been simulated. In the proposed NFC, both weights and membership functions are on-line tuned based on operating conditions. The proposed controller can also be applied to other types of motors of different sizes only by adjusting the tuning rates. The comparison of the proposed NFC with a conventional 2-input NFC has also been presented in simulation. It is found that without any significant performance decreasing, the simplified structure reduces the computational burden and is easier to implement in real-time as compared to the conventional 2-input NFC. The comparison of the proposed NFC with a well-adjusted PI-controller has also been carried out in both simulation and at different operating conditions. It is found that the proposed NFC is superior to the PI controller.

The proposed simplified self-tuned NFC-based IM drive system is found robust and could be a potential candidate for high-performance industrial drive applications.

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