The Adaptive Control of Nonlinear Systems Using the T-S-K Fuzzy Logic

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Abstract: Fuzzy adaptive tracking controllers for a class of uncertain nonlinear dynamical systems are proposed and analyzed. The controller consists of adaptive and robustifying components whose role is to nullify the effect of uncertainties and achieve a desired tracking performance. The interactions between the two components have been investigated. We use the Takagi-Sugeno-Kang type of the fuzzy logic system to approximate the controller. It is proved that the closed-loop system using this adaptive fuzzy controller is globally stable in the sense that all signals involved are bounded. Finally, we apply the method of direct adaptive fuzzy controllers to control an inverted pendulum and the simulation results are included.

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1 Introduction

Designing a control law requires a model of the plant to be controlled. However, a plant model of a physical system usually contains uncertainties. There are currently two approaches to deal with uncertainties-adaptive control and robust control. The adaptive control scheme reduces uncertainties by learning them. Most of the adaptive controllers involve certain types of function approximators in their learning mechanism (see, for example [1]-[5]). In this proposed controller, we use fuzzy logic based approximators. The learning rate of adaptation law is relatively slow and this can lead to a prolonged transient response. In contrast, a robust control scheme focuses on compensating the uncertainties by employing high gain. By combining the two control schemes, the resulting adaptive robust control techniques have all the advantages of the robust and adaptive control. The adaptive control scheme attempts to determine all of the uncertainties whose characteristics cannot be captured by the learning mechanism of the adaptive control part. Examples of such approaches are reported in the papers [6]-[10], among others.
This paper also combines the adaptive and robust approaches in the proposed tracking controller architecture. A fuzzy logic-based function approximator is used for the purpose of learning system uncertainties. The robustifying term of the controller compensates for the modeling inaccuracies. We derive a bound on the steady-state tracking error as a function of the controller’s gain. Specifically, we give an expression for an uncertainty region of the tracking error. The proposed controller guarantees the uniform ultimate boundedness of the tracking error. We use other fuzzy logic systems that are different from those used in ([2] and [3]). This form of the fuzzy logic system is called the Takagi-Sugeno-Kang type. And the consequent part of the fuzzy rules is based on the locally linear feedback control theory. In Section 2, the considered problem formulation is shown. In Section 3, the utilized fuzzy logic system is described. The main result is presented in Section 5. In Section 6, the proposed design steps of the direct adaptive fuzzy controller are used to control an inverted pendulum system. Some conclusions of this paper are given in last Section.

2 Problem Formulation

Consider the n-th order nonlinear systems of the form

\[
x^{(n)} = f(x, t) + bu
\]
\[
y = x
\]

where \( f \) is unknown but bounded function, \( b \) is positive unknown constant and \( u \in \mathbb{R} \), \( y \in \mathbb{R} \) are the input and output of the system, respectively. Let \( x = [x, x, \cdots, x^{(n-1)}]^T = [x_1, x_2, \cdots, x_n]^T \in \mathbb{R}^n \) be the state vector of the system which is assumed to be available.

Let \( x_d = x_d(t) = [x_d(t), \dot{x}_d(t), \cdots, x_d^{(n-1)}(t)]^T \) denote the desired state trajectory and let \( e = x - x_d = [e, \dot{e}, \cdots, e^{(n-1)}]^T \). We wish to construct a controller \( u \) such that

\[
\lim_{t \to \infty} e(t) = 0.
\]

3 Description of the T-S-K Fuzzy Logic System

The fuzzy rule base contains a collection of fuzzy IF-THEN rules

\[
R^l_1 : \text{IF } x_1 \text{ is } F^l_1 \text{ and } \cdots \text{ and } x_n \text{ is } F^l_n \text{ THEN } \]
\[
u = K^l_1 x_1 + K^l_2 x_2 + \cdots + K^l_n x_n
\]
where $F_i^l$ is the label of the fuzzy set in $i$, $K_i^l$ is the constant coefficient of the consequent part of the fuzzy rule for $l=1,2,\ldots$. The product operation for the fuzzy implication and the singleton fuzzifier technology, the final output values is

$$u(x) = \sum_{l=1}^{M} \left( \prod_{i=1}^{n} \mu_{F_i^l}(x_i) \right) \cdot \left( K_1^l x_1 + K_2^l x_2 + \cdots + K_n^l x_n \right)$$

(3)

where $\mu_{F_i^l}(x_i)$ are the membership function for $i=1,2,\ldots,n$ and $l=1,2,\ldots,M$.

If the $\mu_{F_i^l}(x_i)$'s are fixed and the $K_i^l$'s is viewed as adjustable parameter, then (3) can be rewritten as

$$u(x) = \theta^T \xi(x)$$

(4)

where $\theta = [K_1^1, \ldots, K_n^1, K_1^2, \ldots, K_n^2, \ldots, K_1^n, \ldots, K_n^n]^T$ is a parameter vector and $\xi(x) = (\xi_1^1(x), \ldots, \xi_n^1(x), \xi_1^2(x), \ldots, \xi_n^2(x), \ldots, \xi_1^n(x), \ldots, \xi_n^n(x))^T$ is a regressive vector with the regressor $\xi_j^l(x)$ defined as [1]

$$\xi_j^l(x) = \frac{\left( \prod_{i=1}^{n} \mu_{F_i^l}(x_i) \right) \cdot x_j}{\sum_{l=1}^{M} \left( \prod_{i=1}^{n} \mu_{F_i^l}(x_i) \right)}$$

(5)

### 4 Projection Operator

Consider a vector-valued function of time

$$\theta(t) = [K_1^1(t), \ldots, K_n^1(t), K_1^2(t), \ldots, K_n^2(t), \ldots, K_1^n(t), \ldots, K_n^n(t)]^T \in \mathbb{R}^m$$

(6)

where $i=1,\ldots,m$. We wish the components $\theta_i$ to be between $L_i^U$ and $U_i^U$, that is, $L_i^U \leq \theta_i(t) \leq U_i^U$. One way how to achieve this goal is by setting $\dot{\theta}_i(t) = 0$ when $\theta_i(t)$ reaches either of the bounds and tends to go beyond the bound, that is [11],
\[
\dot{\theta}_i(t) = \begin{cases} 
0 & \theta_i = \theta^L_i 	ext{ and } \dot{\theta}_i(t) < 0 \\
\theta_i = \theta^U_i 	ext{ and } \dot{\theta}_i(t) > 0 \\
\dot{\theta}_i(t) & \text{otherwise}
\end{cases}
\] (7)

For compactness, we use the notation Proj for the right hand side of (7). Thus, we can write
\[
\dot{\theta}_i(t) = \text{Proj}_{\theta_i}(\dot{\theta}_i), \quad i = 1, \ldots, m,
\]
or in vector notation,
\[
\dot{\theta}(t) = \text{Proj}_{\theta}(\dot{\theta}).
\]

## 5 Control Law Development

We assume that function \( f(x) \) is unknown to us. We approximate \( f(x) \) using fuzzy logic system \( \theta^T f(x) \). Let \( \theta^*_r \) be "optimal" constant vectors such that
\[
\theta^*_r = \arg \min_{\theta_r} \sup_{x \in \Omega} \left| f(x) - \theta^T_r f(x) \right| \tag{8}
\]
\[
\theta^*_g = \arg \min_{\theta_g} \sup_{x \in \Omega} \left| g(x) - \theta^T_g g(x) \right| \tag{9}
\]
where \( \Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \) is a region in which the state \( x \) is constrained to reside. We assume that
\[
\left| f(x) - \theta^*_r f(x) \right| \leq d_r \quad \forall \quad x \in \Omega \tag{10}
\]
\[
\left| g(x) - \theta^*_g g(x) \right| \leq d_g \quad \forall \quad x \in \Omega \tag{11}
\]
where \( d_r > 0, \quad d_g > 0 \) and each element of \( \theta^*_r \) is a constant and bounded below and above as follows
\[
\theta^L_{i_r} \leq \theta^*_r \leq \theta^U_{i_r} \quad \forall \quad i = 1, \ldots, r_r \tag{12}
\]
\[
0 \leq \theta^L_{g_j} \leq \theta^*_r \leq \theta^U_{g_j} \quad \forall \quad j = 1, \ldots, r_g \tag{13}
\]
or in vector notation
\[
\theta^L_r \leq \theta^*_r \leq \theta^U_r \quad \text{and} \quad \theta^L_g \leq \theta^*_g \leq \theta^U_g \tag{14}
\]
We assume that the lower and upper bounds are known to us. This assumption may seem unrealistic and restrictive. However, one can just choose rough bounds based on experience or any knowledge about the nonlinearities.

We define the adaptation parameter errors as

\[ \phi_f = \theta_f - \theta_f^* \quad \text{and} \quad \phi_g = \theta_g - \theta_g^* \]  

(15)

To proceed, we analyze the tracking error dynamics. We write the error dynamics as

\[
\begin{bmatrix}
0 & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\
\vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\
0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 1
\end{bmatrix}
\begin{bmatrix}
e \\
\vdots \\
(x^{(n)} - x_d^{(n)}) \\
1
\end{bmatrix}
= Ae - bk \hat{e} + k \hat{e} + f + gu - x_d^{(n)}
\]

(16)

where \( k \) is chosen so that \( A_m = A - bk \) is asymptotically stable.

We use the adaptation laws

\[
\begin{align*}
\dot{\theta}_f &= \text{Proj}_{\hat{e}} \left( \Gamma_f \sigma_{\hat{e}f} \right) \\
\dot{\theta}_g &= \text{Proj}_{\hat{e}} \left( \Gamma_g \sigma_{\hat{e}g}u_a \right)
\end{align*}
\]

(17, 18)

where \( \Gamma_f \in \mathbb{R}^{r_f \times r_f} \) and \( \Gamma_g \in \mathbb{R}^{r_g \times r_g} \) are diagonal symmetric positive definite matrices and \( \sigma = \hat{e}^T P \hat{e}_b \). The matrix \( P \) is the solution of \( A_m^T P + PA_m = -2Q \) for \( Q = Q^T > 0 \). It is easy to verify, using the definition of Proj and the fact that for each \( i \) we have \( \theta_{f_i}^+ \leq \theta_{f_i} \leq \theta_{f_i}^* \) and \( \theta_{g_i}^+ \leq \theta_{g_i} \leq \theta_{g_i}^* \), that

\[
\begin{align*}
\dot{\theta}_f^T \left( \Gamma_f^{-1} \text{Proj}_{\hat{e}f} \left( \Gamma_f \sigma_{\hat{e}f} \right) - \sigma_{\hat{e}f} \right) &\leq 0 \\
\dot{\theta}_g^T \left( \Gamma_g^{-1} \text{Proj}_{\hat{e}g} \left( \Gamma_g \sigma_{\hat{e}g} u_a \right) - \sigma_{\hat{e}g} u_a \right) &\leq 0
\end{align*}
\]

(19, 20)

where

\[
u_a = \frac{1}{\theta_g^T \sigma_{\hat{e}g}} \left( -\theta_f^T \sigma_{\hat{e}f} + x_d^{(n)} - k \hat{e} \right)
\]

(21)
The initial values of the components of $\theta_g$ are chosen to satisfy (13), where for each $j = 1, \ldots, r_g$, we have $\omega_{gj} > 0$. This ensures that $\theta_g^T \xi > 0$ because we choose fuzzy sets so that at least one rule fires at any time and so at least one component of $\xi_g$ is nonzero and in fact positive.

We use the following fuzzy adaptive control law [11]

$$ u = u_a + u_s \quad (22) $$

where $u_s$ satisfies the following conditions

$$ \sigma \left( k \xi + f + gu_a + gu_s - x_d^{(n)} \right) \leq \varepsilon \quad (23) $$

$$ \sigma u_s \leq 0 $$

where $\varepsilon > 0$ is a design parameter. There are several different ways to select $u_s$ so that it satisfies (23).

Let $h_r \geq \|\xi\| \|\theta_r^U - \theta_r^L\|$ and $h_g \geq \|\xi\| \|\theta_g^U - \theta_g^L\| |u_a|$. Given the design parameter $\varepsilon$, we select positive numbers $\varepsilon_1$, $\varepsilon_2$ and $\varepsilon_3$ such that $\varepsilon = \varepsilon_1 + \varepsilon_2 + \varepsilon_3$. Then $k_s$ should satisfy the following condition

$$ k_s \geq \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \left( \frac{d_r^2 + |u_a|^2 d_g^2 + h_r^2}{2\varepsilon_1} + \frac{h_g^2}{4\varepsilon_2} + \frac{h_g^2}{4\varepsilon_3} \right) \quad (24) $$

When the gain $k_s$ satisfies the above condition, $u_s = -k_s \sigma$ guarantees that (23) are satisfied. This can be shown by completing the squares. An alternative implementation of the robustifying component is

$$ u_s = -\left( \frac{b}{\delta} \right) \operatorname{sat} \left( \frac{\sigma}{\delta} \right) \quad (25) $$

where $\operatorname{sat}(x) = \text{sign}(x)$ if $|x| > 1$ and $\operatorname{sat}(x) = x$ if $|x| \leq 1$, $b = d_r + d_g |u_a| + \|\theta_r^U - \theta_r^L\| \|\xi\| + \|\theta_g^U - \theta_g^L\| \|\xi\| |u_a|$ and $\delta = \frac{4\varepsilon}{b}$. It is easy to verify that the above $u_s$ satisfies (23).

We now proceed to analyze the dynamics of the tracking error.
Theorem 1 Consider the closed-loop system
\[ x^{(n)} = f(x) + g(x)u \]
\[ u = u_a + u_s \]
\[ \dot{\theta}_f = \text{Proj}_{\xi_f} \left( \Gamma_f \sigma_{\xi_f} \right) \]
\[ \dot{\theta}_g = \text{Proj}_{\xi_g} \left( \Gamma_g \sigma_{\xi_g} \right) u_a \]  
(26)

where \( u_s \) satisfies (23). Then we have

\[ a) \quad \varepsilon^T(t) \varepsilon(t) \leq \exp(-\mu t) \varepsilon^T(0) \varepsilon(0) + \frac{\varepsilon}{\mu} \quad \text{where} \quad \mu = \frac{\lambda_{\min}(Q)}{\lambda_{\max}(P)} \]

\[ b) \quad \text{if there exist} \quad \theta^*_f \quad \text{and} \quad \theta^*_g \quad \text{such that} \quad f(x) = \theta^*_f \xi_f(x) \quad \text{and} \quad g(x) = \theta^*_g \xi_g(x), \quad \text{then the origin of the} \quad \begin{bmatrix} e & \phi_f & \phi_g \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{-space is stable} \]

\[ \text{and hence} \quad e, \phi_f(t) \quad \text{and} \quad \phi_g(t) \quad \text{are bounded and} \quad \varepsilon(t) \to 0 \quad \text{as} \quad t \to \infty. \]

Proof: To prove (a), we consider \( V = \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon^T \varepsilon \). The time derivative of \( V \) evaluated on the solutions of the closed-loop system (1), (22) is
\[ \dot{V} = \varepsilon^T \varepsilon = -\varepsilon^T Q \varepsilon + \sigma \begin{bmatrix} k e + f + g u - x_d^{(n)} \end{bmatrix} \]
(27)

Substituting into the above expression for the control law given by (22) and applying (23) gives
\[ \dot{V} = -\varepsilon^T Q \varepsilon + \sigma \left( k e + f + g u_a + g u_s - x_d^{(n)} \right) \leq -\varepsilon^T Q \varepsilon + \varepsilon \leq -\frac{\lambda_{\min}(Q)}{\lambda_{\max}(P)} \varepsilon^T \varepsilon + \varepsilon = -\mu V + \varepsilon \]
(28)

where \( \mu = \frac{\lambda_{\min}(Q)}{\lambda_{\max}(P)} \). Invoking now the Comparison lemma (see, for example [12]), we obtain (a).

To prove (b), we consider the following Lyapunov function candidate
\[ V = \frac{1}{2} \left( \varepsilon^T \varepsilon + \phi_f^T \Gamma_f^{-1} \phi_f + \phi_g^T \Gamma_g^{-1} \phi_g \right) \]
(29)
By assumption, \( f(x) = \Theta^T r \xi f (x) \), \( g(x) = \Theta^T r \xi g (x) \) as well as conditions (19), (20) and (23) hold. In addition, it follows from (21) that \( x_d^{(n)} - k_e = \Theta^T r \xi f + \Theta^T g \xi g u_a \). Taking into account all of the above mentioned expressions in evaluating the time derivative of \( V \) on the trajectories of the closed-loop system (26), we obtain

\[
\dot{V} = e^T P e + \phi^T r \Gamma^{-1} \phi_f + \phi^T g \Gamma^{-1} \phi_g \\
\leq -\lambda_e \sigma u_a - \lambda_e \sigma u_e \\
= -\lambda_e \sigma u_e = -\mu_e^T P e
\]

or equivalently

\[
\int_0^t \dot{V}(\tau) d\tau = V(t) - V(0) \leq \int_0^t (-\mu_e^T P e) d\tau
\]

(30)

It follows from the above that the closed-loop system (26) is stable and therefore, \( e(t) \), \( \phi_f(t) \) and \( \phi_g(t) \) are bounded for \( t \geq 0 \).

To show that \( e \to 0 \) as \( t \to \infty \), we integrate (30) to obtain

\[
\int_0^t \dot{V}(\tau) d\tau = V(t) - V(0) \leq \int_0^t (-\mu_e^T P e) d\tau
\]

or equivalently

\[
\int_0^t \mu_e^T P e d\tau \leq V(0) - V(t) \leq V(0)
\]

(32)

Thus, \( \lim_{t \to \infty} \int_0^t (e^T P e) d\tau \) exists and is finite. It follows from the first part of the theorem that \( e^T P e \) is bounded and since \( \frac{d}{dt} e^T P e \leq -\mu_e e^T P e + e \), we conclude that \( \frac{d}{dt} e^T P e \) is also bounded. Therefore, \( e^T P e \) is uniformly continuous. By Barbalat’s lemma [13], \( e^T P e \to 0 \) as \( t \to \infty \), which concludes the proof of the theorem.

From (a) of the above theorem and the expression for \( u_a \) given in (25), we can see that the design parameter \( e \) determines the final accuracy of the tracking error which can be made arbitrarily small. As expected, the smaller the desired tracking error, the larger the controller’s gain is required. This means the tracking error can be made arbitrarily small by increasing the controller’s authority.
6 Simulation Example

In this example, we apply the adaptive fuzzy controller to the system
\[ y^* + \frac{1}{0.25+y} y^* + 1.7 y - 0.5 u = 0 \]  
\( (33) \)

Define six fuzzy sets over interval <-10, 10> with labels N3, N2, N1, P1, P2, P3. The membership functions are
\[ \mu_{N1}(x) = \frac{1}{e^{(x+0.5)^2}} \]  
\( (34) \)
\[ \mu_{N2}(x) = \frac{1}{e^{(x+1.5)^2}} \]  
\( (35) \)
\[ \mu_{N3}(x) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{5(x+2)}} \]  
\( (36) \)
\[ \mu_{P1}(x) = \frac{1}{e^{(x-0.5)^2}} \]  
\( (37) \)
\[ \mu_{P2}(x) = \frac{1}{e^{(x-1.5)^2}} \]  
\( (38) \)
\[ \mu_{P3}(x) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-5(x-2)}} \]  
\( (39) \)

The reference model is assumed to be
\[ M(s) = \frac{1}{s^2 + 2s + 1} \]  
\( (40) \)

and the reference signal is the square periodic signal of magnitude 1.5 and frequency 0.01 Hz.

We choose \( P = \begin{bmatrix} 50 & 30 \\ 30 & 20 \end{bmatrix} \), \( k_1 = 2 \), \( k_2 = 1 \), and \( \lambda_{\min}(P) = 1.52 \). To satisfy the constraint related to \( x \) we choose \( V = 0.25 \), \( d_r = 20 \), \( d_g = 2.1 \) and \( \varepsilon = 0.25 \).

At 200th second of simulation the system (33) was switched to another system
\[ y^* + 5 y^* + \left[ \frac{1}{(0.25 + y)^2} - 1.7 \right] y^* + y - 5 u = 0 \]  
\( (41) \)
All initial states have been set to zero $y(0) = y'(0) = y''(0) = y'''(0) = 0$.

As it can be seen from Fig. 1, the simulation results confirm a good adaptation capability of the proposed control system. The system dynamic changes are in particular manifested by changes of control input signal (Fig. 2).
Conclusions

In this paper, the TSK-type fuzzy logic system is used in the adaptive fuzzy controller. The major advantage is that the accurate mathematical model of the system is not required to be known. The proposed method can guarantee the global stability of the resulting closed-loop system in the sense that all signals involved are uniformly bounded. Furthermore, the specific formula of the bounds is also given. Finally, we use the adaptive fuzzy controller to regulate the system to the origin. We also showed explicitly how the supervisory control forced the state to be within the constraint set.

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