A metaheuristic approach for interval type-2 fuzzy fractional order fault-tolerant controller for a class of uncertain nonlinear system*

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ABSTRACT
A new optimum interval type-2 fuzzy fractional-order controller for a class of nonlinear systems with incipient actuator and system component faults is introduced in this study. The faults of the actuator and system component (leak) are taken into account using an additive model. The Interval Type-2 Fuzzy Sets (IT2FS) is used to design an optimal fuzzy fractional order controller, and two different nature inspired metaheuristic algorithms, Follower Pollination Algorithm (FPA) and Genetic Algorithm (GA), are used to optimize the parameters of the fuzzy PID controller and Interval Type-2 Fuzzy Tilt-Integral-Derivative Controller (IT2FTID) for nonlinear system. The suggested control approach consists of two parts: an Interval Type-2 Fuzzy Logic Controller (IT2FLC) controller and a fractional order TID controller. Additionally, the two inputs of the IT2FLC are also calibrated using two fine tuning parameters $\beta_1$ and $\beta_2$, respectively. The stability of the proposed controller is presented with some conditions. In addition to unknown dynamics, some unknown process disturbances, such as rapid changes in the control variable, are taken into account to check the efficacy of the proposed control scheme. Two nonlinear conical two-tank level systems are used in the simulation as a case study. The performance of the suggested approach is also compared to that of a widely recognized Interval Type-2 Fuzzy Proportional-Integral-Derivative (IT2FPID) Controller. Finally, the proposed control scheme’s fault-tolerant behaviour is demonstrated using fault-recovery time results and statistical Z-tests for both controllers, and the proposed IT2FTID controller’s effectiveness is demonstrated when compared to IT2FPID and existing passive fault tolerant controllers in recent literature.

1. Introduction

Due to the intricacy of problems, solving them using traditional procedures in a fair amount of time becomes difficult. Metaheuristic strategies have been developed in recent years to address this issue. The strategies can handle complex issues in an acceptable amount of time. Metaheuristic strategies are based on concepts from biological science, physics, animal and insect behaviour, and other fields [1]. In the literature, a variety of metaheuristic algorithms have been created. Genetic algorithm (GA), ant colony optimization (ACO), follower pollination algorithm (FPA), particle swarm optimization (PSO), grey wolf optimization (GWO), harmony search algorithm (HSA), and many others are examples of well-known methodologies. Follower Pollination Algorithm (FPA) is recently developed and a well-known metaheuristic algorithm, which is proposed by Yang in 2012 [2] in 2012. Additionally, interval type-2 fuzzy logic has been shown to be one of the most cited and used methods in the field of robotics and control due to better ability to handle uncertainty and adding human intelligence based on expertise. And hence, we proposed FPA-based interval type-2 fuzzy fractional order fault-tolerant controller for uncertain nonlinear system.

The control of the nonlinear systems (NSs) in presence of unmodelled dynamics (NSs-UD) and in faulty situation are one of the most challenging problems in control engineering. The problem of the uncertain parameters or uncertain functions in the dynamics of the nonlinear systems have been considered in adaptive control techniques, but the problem of the control of NSs with faulty situation has been quite rarely investigated in literature, and thereafter we proposed optimal fuzzy fault-tolerant controller using IT2FTID with FPA metaheuristic approach.

One of the real-world second-order systems (SOS) [3–7] frequently utilized in many industrial production processes [8] is the two-tank level control system. According to the literature, the PID controller [8,9], fuzzy controller [8], fuzzy-PID controller [10], and neural network [11,12] can effectively control the level of a non-interacting (single-tank, two-tank) system. For single-tank or multi-tank level control, the
PID controller is the most popular and straightforward method. The PID design problem for the non-interacting level control system can be considered one of the constrained optimization problems that can be efficiently solved by metaheuristic algorithms in today’s optimization context. For illustration, the design of a PID controller for the non-interacting level control system using the Genetic Algorithm (GA) algorithm [13], or Particle Swarm Optimization (PSO) [14,15]. However, that author has recently used interval type-2 fuzzy logic controllers, Takagi Sugeno fuzzy logic controllers, and several of the control techniques provided in [16–19] for interacting level control processes under various conceivable system faults.

Due to the limited flexibility of tuning settings, traditional PID control performance degrades dramatically when actuator, system component (leak), and sensor defects, modelling uncertainty, and process disruptions occur in the system [20]. As a result, a Titled Derivative Integrator (TID) controller [21,22] was developed, which has four tuning parameters $K_p$, $K_d$, and $n$, allowing for additional flexibility in controlling the nonlinear system. Interval type-2 FLC is utilized in this article to add more tuning parameters so that it can manage and produce quick and smooth responses for higher-order plants than a traditional PID controller. Modelling uncertainty, defects, and process disruptions are all handled by the IT2FTID.

Furthermore, a nonlinear model that accurately represents plant activity is first established. A classic integer order PID control strategy is developed based on this model representation of the plant, with parameters tuned using the Genetic Algorithm (GA) and Ziegler & Nichols (ZN) methods and a linearized model at three different operating points, similar to what was done in some preliminary works, both from simulation and experimental viewpoints [23]. The controller parameters are optimized using Ziegler & Nichols (ZN) and Genetic Algorithm (GA) [23]. Then, integer order PID control strategies and their fractional order equivalents, fractional order PID (FOPID), are created. In addition, any common method for tuning the fractional order PID and integer order PID for nonlinear systems is covered in [24]. Interval type-2 fuzzy state machines have recently been used to create active fault-tolerant control for stochastic system models [24].

Several studies in the literature have framed the PID tuning problem as an optimization problem with the goal of improving the closed-loop system’s performance through decentralized PID tuning. The concept of Gershgorin bands was used in [25] to define a nonlinear optimization problem with stability margin requirements, although the solution was limited to weakly coupled processes. A nonlinear optimization issue was formulated in [26], but the constraints were connected to performance indicators such as maximum overshoot and maximum controller limit deviation for each loop; overall stability for the MIMO closed-loop system was not considered. Two linear programming approaches to computing PID parameters were proposed in [27], where the loop interactions were taken into account by the Gershgorin bands and the effective open-loop process notion, but each loop had to be tuned separately.

In contrast to the previously stated decentralized techniques, centralized PID systems are generally implemented using a decoupler or another mathematical instrument that attempts to eliminate variable coupling effects. Due to the necessity to know the process model in order to construct the decoupler, a decoupler makes the control system structure more complex and highly dependent on the plant models. In [28], author investigated TITO (Two-Input Two-Output) systems with centralized PID control. The authors present an approach that uses model approximations to develop PI controllers for the main diagonal and decouplers for off-diagonal dynamics.

Lakshmanaprabu et al. [29] designed a fractal PI/PID controller for TITO using an evolutionary algorithm (bat algorithm) in the style of multiobjective optimization. The design and tuning of a PI controller for a nonlinear TITO process was examined in [30] using multiple optimization methodologies such as a genetic algorithm (GA) and particle swarm optimization (PSO). According to the authors, the GA produces better tracking performance and less overshoot in the nonlinear scenario than the PSO-based approach. This result may indicate that a GA is preferable for tuning purposes in the presence of high nonlinearities and model mismatch. PID controller tuning methods based on nonlinear optimization and linear programming have recently been proposed in [31,32], as well as the design and implementation challenges of PI/PID controllers resulting from decomposing MIMO systems into single loops. However, in the recent decade, a new metaheuristic algorithm based on the flower pollination process of flowering plants has emerged and proven popular. Pollen transfer is commonly related with flower pollination, and such transfer is frequently associated with pollinators such as insects, birds, bats, and other animals. Previous studies imply that the FPA improves the performance of existing biologically inspired algorithms such as GA, ABC, PSO, and others, including the CS, which is currently getting a lot of attention from the research community due to its effectiveness and minimal parameter settings [32–35]. For variable speed drive systems and induction motor seed control, authors presented optimal tuning of PI controllers utilising flower pollination optimization algorithms in [33,34]. In addition, for PI controller parameters optimization for chemical processes, such as heat exchanger processes, researchers employed metaheuristic optimization algorithms such as bat algorithms, particle
swarm optimization algorithm, and flower pollination algorithm in [35].

This study focuses on developing a technique for designing an IT2FTID for fault-tolerant controller using FPA. Differentiating capabilities of IT2FTID and IT2FPID in terms of modelling uncertainty, fault tolerance, and disturbance rejection are also achieved.

The following is the order of the rest of the article: Preliminaries and a singleton type-2 FLC are described in Section III. In part II, the mathematical model for a two-tank non-interacting conical tank system is presented. In Section IV, the mathematical model of FPOA and its characteristic are shown. The IT2FTID/IT2FPID control strategy for a conical two-tank non-interacting level control process presented in Section V is compared to simulation findings in Section VII to see how well it can handle modelling uncertainties, faults, and process disruptions. In section VI, presents the stability analysis of the fractional order TID controller with mathematical equations. Finally, in Section VIII, conclusions are formed.

1.1. Motivations and contributions

Fuzzy sets have been used to optimize the strategic parameters of various metaheuristic algorithms in recent years because fuzzy inference systems aid in understanding and working with human knowledge bases, resulting in significant improvements in the efficacy of the various metaheuristic algorithms [18,22,23]. Also the metaheuristic algorithms are used to optimization of the standard mathematical functions, controller’s parameters, or various kind of engineering or non-engineering optimization problems, and therefore described work is based on nature inspired metaheuristic Flower Pollination Algorithm (FPA) for engineering control system.

Because of its potential to solve the optimal problem in engineering and non-engineering applications, the flower pollination algorithm has gotten a lot of attention since its conception. The FPA is now the best method for improving the controller parameters of interval type-2 fuzzy integer order PID and fractional order TID controllers.

The following is the paper’s major contribution:

- A metaheuristic algorithm (FPA) is used to optimize the controller parameters
- Interval type-2 fuzzy sets are utilized to design PID and TID controllers that effectively accommodate modelling and parameter uncertainty
- Additionally, two fine tuning parameters are used \( \beta_1 \) and \( \beta_2 \), which tuned the two inputs of the interval type-2 fuzzy inference system one is error \( e \) and the second is derivative of the error \( \dot{e} \)
- Because the fractional order TID controller has four tuning parameters, it improves the nonlinear system’s control responses (i.e. transient and steady state).
- Nature inspired metaheuristic algorithm is used to find optimum controller (Fuzzy IT2TID and IT2PID) parameters
- Two different nonlinear uncertain level control processes are used to validate the proposed control scheme, and the findings are presented with actuator and system component (leak) faults
- Fault-tolerant capability of the proposed IT2-FTID controller is compared with IT2-FPID controls for nonlinear level control processes using Fault Recovery \( T_f \) time
- We tuned the controller using well-known metaheuristic methods, Genetic Algorithms (GA), Flower Pollination Optimization (FPO), for nonlinear level control system with higher uncertainty in terms of magnitude and abrupt nature.
- Furthermore, we confirm that the FPO technique has not been applied for fault-tolerant controller optimization for uncertain nonlinear systems in recent times.

2. Nonlinear uncertain level control system with description

2.1. Two-tank conical non-Interacting level system with mathematical model

The schematic diagram of the structural model of the Tow-tank Conical Non-Interacting Level System (TTCNLS) is demonstrated in Figure 1, which is a benchmark problem for a number of research topics. It subsists of an inverted two conical tank with an inlet flow \( (f_1) \) at the top, an outlet flow from conical tank \( 1 \) \( (f_2) \) at the bottom, and tank \( 2 \) outlet flow \( (f_3) \) from the bottom, a pump that distributes the liquid flow, and a control valve \( (CV) \) with coefficient \( (\beta) \) to manipulate \( (f_1) \). The valve \( (V_1) \) is a manual valve which is controlled at a

![Figure 1. Prototype model of TTCNLS [3].](image)
Table 1. Operating parameters of the TTCNILS process.

| Parameter | Description | Value          |
|-----------|-------------|----------------|
| R         | Top radius of the conical tank | 40 cm          |
| H         | Maximum height of the tank     | 80 cm          |
| h₁        | Maximum flow to the tank 1     | 2.7675e–4 m³/sec |
| β₁        | Valve coefficient (h₁)         | 0.03613 cm³/sec |
| β₂        | Valve coefficient (h₂)         | 0.01923 cm³/sec |
| h₁        | Steady state height of tank 1  | 42 cm          |
| h₂        | Steady state height of tank 2  | 31 cm          |
| g         | Gravitational acceleration     | 981 cm/s²      |

The volume of the liquid inside the conical tank at any height (h) given by:

\[ V(h) = \frac{\pi r^2 h}{3} \]  

From Figure 2, a relation between conical tank height (H) and a top radius of conical tank (R) is given by Equation (15).

\[ \tan \theta = \frac{R}{H} \]

At any level (h)

\[ \tan \theta = \frac{r}{h} \]

Equating (15) and (16)

\[ r = \frac{Rh}{H} \]

Substitute (17) in (14)

\[ V(h) = \frac{\pi R^2 h^2 dh}{H^2 dt} \]

The cross sectional area of the conical tank at any level (h)

\[ A(h) = \pi r^2 \]

Substitute (17) in (19)

\[ A(h) = \frac{\pi R^2 h^2}{H^2} \]

Substitute (21) in (13)

\[ \frac{dV(h)}{dt} = A(h) \frac{dh}{dt} \]

Substitute (21) in (13)

\[ A(h) \frac{dh}{dt} = f_1 - f_o; \quad f_o = \beta \sqrt{2gh} \]

From (21) and (22) we get

\[ \frac{dh}{dt} = \frac{f_1 - \beta \sqrt{2gh}}{\pi \left( \frac{R}{H} \right)^2 h^2} \]

From the above mathematical model of single CTS we derive the model of (SISO) TTCNILS which is given by:

\[
\begin{align*}
\frac{dh_1}{dt} &= \frac{f_1 - \beta_1 \sqrt{2gh_1}}{\pi \left( \frac{R}{H} \right)^2 h_1^2} \\
\frac{dh_2}{dt} &= \frac{f_2 - f_3}{\pi \left( \frac{R}{H} \right)^2 h_2^2}
\end{align*}
\]

where \( f_2 = \beta_1 \sqrt{2gh_1} \); \( f_3 = \beta_2 \sqrt{2gh_2} \).
2.3. Two-tank conical frustum non-interacting level system with mathematical model

To test the efficacy of the suggested control strategy, we used other nonlinear uncertain level control problems. The level control system have been used commonly in various industries like chemical process, petrochemical, refinery, food processing, dyes and paints, cement etc [25–28]. The performance of several modern fault-control algorithms can also be tested using the same nonlinear uncertain system [36,37]. As a result, under the actuator and system component (leak) uncertainties with process disturbances, we choose the two-tank conical frustum non-interacting level control (TTCFNLC) process.

Figure 3 shows a schematic design of the (TTCFNLC) Process prototype model [38], which is used as a benchmark problem in a range of research domains. The TTCFNLC Process is a non-interacting single input single output (SISO) process in which the measured variable is the tank liquid level ($h_2$) and the manipulated variable is the inflow flow ($f_1$). Because the radius of the tank ($r$) changes, it’s expressed as a ratio of the Frustum Tank’s maximum radius (R) to its maximum height (H).

2.3.1. Modelling of coupled frustum tank level control process

We begin by looking at the single frustum tank system (FTS) illustrated in Figure 4 to derive the mathematical model for the TTCFNLC process. As per mass balance equation, the mathematical model of the FTS is [24]:

\[
\frac{d (Vol)}{dt} = f_{in} - f_{o}
\]  

(14)

The rate of accumulation equation for tank 2 in TTCFNLC process is represented by (18),

\[
\frac{dh_2}{dt} = \frac{f_{12} - f_{o2} - f_{out}}{\frac{\pi}{3} \left[ 3r_2^2 h_2^2 + 6r_2 \left( \frac{R-r_2}{H_2} \right) h_2 + 3 \left( \frac{R-r_2}{H_2} \right)^2 h_2^2 \right]} 
\]

(18)

We formulate the faulty model of the same system from the healthy mathematical model of the TTCFNLC, as shown by Equation (19)–(20). In TTCFNLC, an actuator defect in the main control valve is taken into account, which causes the manipulated variable inlet flow rate ($f_{in}$) of the conical frustum tank 1 to be disrupted. The system component (leak) fault in conical frustum tank 2 is the second fault considered in the TTCFNLC. Uncertain process disturbances ($d$) are also taken into account by the valve ($V_1$), which manipulates ($f_{o2}$).

\[
\frac{dh_1}{dt} = \frac{(\alpha \times f_{in1}) - f_{o1} - f_{12}}{\frac{\pi}{3} \left[ 3r_1^2 h_1^2 + 6r_1 \left( \frac{R-r_1}{H_1} \right) h_1 + 3 \left( \frac{R-r_1}{H_1} \right)^2 h_1^2 \right]} 
\]

(19)
The rate of accumulation equation for tank 2 in TTCFNLC process with uncertainty is represented by (20),
\[
\frac{\text{d}h_2}{\text{d}t} = \frac{f_{12} - (d \times f_{a2}) - f_{\text{out}}}{3} = \frac{\beta_1}{3} \left[ \frac{3r_{b2}^2 + 6r_{b2} \left( \frac{g \cdot h_2}{H_2} \right) h_2 + 3 \left( \frac{g \cdot h_2}{H_2} \right)^2 h_2^2}{2} \right] \tag{20}
\]
where \((d)\) signifies a faulty actuator (loss of efficacy) in the primary actuator that controls the controlled variable \(f_{\text{in}}\). Equations (19) and (20) show a faulty system model with uncertainties (actuator \((f_{a})\) fault and process disturbances \((d)\));

Where,
\[
\begin{align*}
f_{\text{in}} &= k_p V \\
f_{a1} &= \beta_1 a_1 \sqrt{2gh_1} \\
f_{a2} &= \beta_2 a_2 \sqrt{2gh_2}
\end{align*}
\tag{21}
\]

The bottom radius \(r_{b1} = r_{b2} = 18\) cm and the top radius \(R_1 = R_2 = 24\) cm are the same because the two frustum tanks are comparable. The frustum conical tank has two heights: \(H_1 = 90\) cm and \(H_2 = 90\) cm. Tank 1,2's liquid levels are indicated by \(h_1\) and \(h_2\). The valve coefficients in both tanks are the same \(\beta_1 = \beta_2 = 0.33\), and the interaction pipe valve coefficient is \(\beta_{i2} = 0.2\). The pump gains are the \(k_p\) gains \((25\text{ cm}^3/\text{v.sec})\) gains.

The incipient nature of the actuator fault (loss of effectiveness in the main control valve) that gradually limits the inlet flow rate \(f_{\text{in}}\), and the abrupt process disturbance \(d\) (Occur in \(f_{\text{a2}}\)) that closes the valve \(V_2\) that causes the rate of aggregation in tank 2 to increase are both taken into account during the simulation process. Furthermore, the system component (leak) abrupt fault consider in the conical frustum tank 2 in TTCFNLC process.

3. Interval type-2 fuzzy sets and fuzzy logic controller with preliminaries

This section discusses the interval type-2 FLC, which will be discussed later. It does not accommodate precisely for input measurement uncertainties because it is an interval type-2 FLC fuzzified crisp input signals. To account for model uncertainty, the rule base’s antecedents are constructed using interval type-2 fuzzy sets, while the consequences are type-1 fuzzy sets.

3.1. Basic concept of type-2 fuzzy sets

The T2 FSs referred as \(\tilde{A}\), are illustrous by a type-2 membership function \(\mu_{\tilde{A}}(x, u)\) such as
\[
\tilde{A} = \{(x, u), \mu_{\tilde{A}}(x, u) \mid \forall x \in X, \forall u \in I \subseteq [0, 1]\} \tag{22}
\]

Where, \(x\) is known as primary variable in domain \(X\), \(u\) is the secondary variable in domain \(I\), and membership function has range \(0 \leq \mu_{\tilde{A}}(x, u) \leq 1\). \(\tilde{A}\) is also characterized as
\[
\tilde{A} = \int_{x \in X} \int_{u \in I \subseteq [0, 1]} \mu_{\tilde{A}}(x, u) / (x, u) \tag{23}
\]

Where, the double integration \((\int \int)\) indicates union over the whole reach of variables. The T2FSs are a common form of IT2FSs, by choosing all \(\mu_{\tilde{A}}(x, u) = 1\), i.e. amplitude of secondary grades is all established in unity, then \(\tilde{A}\) becomes IT2FSs.Now, \(\tilde{A}\) is conveyed as
\[
\tilde{A} = \int_{x \in X} \int_{u \in I \subseteq [0, 1]} 1 / (x, u)
\]

\[
= \int_{x \in X} \left[ \int_{u \in I \subseteq [0, 1]} 1 / u \right] / x \tag{24}
\]

As illustrated in Figure 6, Mendel et al. [40,41] define the bounded region as an uncertainty in the primary memberships of an IT2FS and define it as FOU Figure 5. It’s possible to define it as the sum of all primary memberships, i.e.

\[
\text{FOU}(\tilde{A}) = U_{x \in X} I_x = \{ (x, u) : u \in I_x \subseteq [0, 1] \} \tag{25}
\]

Two type-1 membership functions are used to bind the FOU of IT2FS Figure 5. The upper bound and lower bound are attribute as an upper membership function (UMF) and lower membership function (LMF) of \(\tilde{A}\), respectively. They stand for \(\mu_{\tilde{A}}(x) \equiv \text{FOU}(\tilde{A}), \forall x \in X, \mu_{\tilde{A}}(x) \equiv \mu(\tilde{A}), \forall x \in X\) jointly. Thus, \(I_x\) is an interval set, given by
\[
I_x = \{(x, u) : u \in \mu_{\tilde{A}}(x), \mu_{\tilde{A}}(x)\} \tag{26}
\]

So that FOU(\(\tilde{A}\)) in Equation (25) can be given as
\[
\text{FOU}(\tilde{A}) = \bigcup_{x \in X} [\mu_{\tilde{A}}(x), \mu_{\tilde{A}}(x)] \tag{27}
\]

For continuous universe of discourse \(X\), an embedded IT2FS \(\tilde{A}_e\) is
\[
\tilde{A}_e = \int_{x \in X} [1/u] / x, \quad u \in I_x \tag{28}
\]

Note that Equation (26) means: \(\tilde{A}_e : X \rightarrow \{ u : 0 \leq u \leq 1 \} \). The set \(\tilde{A}_e\) is embedded in \(\tilde{A}\) such that at each \(x\) it has only one secondary variable (i.e. one primary membership whose secondary grade equal s1). Examples of \(\tilde{A}_e\) are \(1/\mu_{\tilde{A}}(x)\) and \(1/\mu_{\tilde{A}}(x)\), \(\forall x \in X\) [42]. The block diagram of the IT2FLS depicted in the Figure 6 [16,41].

3.2. Fuzzy inference engine

The fuzzy inference engine’s purpose is to connect the rules that are activated in order to create a mapping from Crisp inputs to type-2 fuzzy output sets. A type-1 FLC’s backbone computing is similar to the sup-star Architecture. A type-2 FLC’s backbone is the ongoing
The upper membership grade of \( \mu \) where \( \tilde{T} \) antecedent actions, involved in calculating the firing set here in intervals, the result output and input and antecedent actions, involved in calculating the firing set \( \tilde{T} \) is an interval type-I set:

\[
\tilde{T} = \tilde{f}_1(x) \sqcap \tilde{f}_2(x) = [\tilde{f}_1, \tilde{f}_2]
\]

where

\[
\tilde{f}_1 = \min(\mu_{\tilde{T}_1}(x_1), \mu_{\tilde{T}_2}(x_2)) \\
\tilde{f}_2 = \min(\mu_{\tilde{T}_1}(x_1), \mu_{\tilde{T}_2}(x_2))
\]

\( \mu_{\tilde{T}_i}(x_i) \) is the lower membership grade of \( \tilde{T}_i \) and \( \mu_{\tilde{T}_i}(x_i) \) is the upper membership grade of \( \tilde{T}_i \).

The output set that is achieved when rule \( R_l \) is fired is the subsequent type-2 fuzzy set

\[
\mu_{\tilde{T}}(y) = \int_{b \in [\tilde{T}(X) \cdot \mu_{\tilde{T}}(y), \tilde{T}(X) \cdot \mu_{\tilde{T}}(y)]} 1/b, \quad y \in Y
\]

Where \( \mu_{\tilde{T}}(y) \) is the membership grade of \( \tilde{T}(y) \). To determine \( \mu_{\tilde{T}}(y) \), one only needs to compute its lower and upper membership grades.

### 3.3. Type-reduction

The type-2 fuzzy sets that are equivalent to the fired rules must be type-reduced before the defuzzifier. It can be used to provide sharp results. The fundamental architectural distinction between type-I and type-2 FLCs is this. The centre-of-sets type-reducer is utilized in this paper. It takes all of the type-2 output sets and does a centre-of-sets computation to generate a type-I set, also known as a type-reduced set. The Karnik Mendel (KM) iterative method [42] and the uncertainty hound method [43] are two ways to type reduction. The first method is recommended, and it is based on the Generalized Centroid (GC) notion [44], which can be summarized as follows:

\[
GC = \int_{z_1 \in Z_1} \cdots \int_{z_N \in Z_N} \int_{w_1 \in W_1} \cdots \int_{w_N \in W_N} 1/\sum_{i=1}^{N} z_i w_i = [y_1, y_r]
\]

Where \( Z_i \) is a type-I set with centre \( c_i \), and circulate \( s_i \) and \( W_i \) is a type-I set with centre \( h_i \), and circulate \( \delta_i \). \( z_i \) and \( w_i \) are determined applying \( c_i, s_i, h_i \) and \( \delta_i \) via the following iterative operation shown in Figure 6(a). It has been demonstrated that this iterative operation can converge in at most \( N \) iterations [44].

### 3.4. Defuzzification

Once \( y_l \) and \( y_r \) are realized, they can be used to calculate the crisp output. Since the type-reduced set is an interval set, the output is \( (y_l + y_r)/2 \) [16].

### 4. Characteristics of bio-inspired FPOA

The flower pollination algorithm (FPA) is a revolution-al heuristic algorithm that is inspired by flower pollination behaviour. Pollination procedures for flowers in nature are divided into two categories: cross-pollination and self-pollination [2,45,46]. Cross-pollination occurs when certain birds function as global pollinators, transferring pollen to flowers on plants that are farther away. Pollen is carried by the wind in self-pollination, but only between neighbouring blooms on the same plant. As a result, the FPA is created by converting cross-pollination and self-pollination into global and local pollination operators, respectively. The FPA has gotten a lot of attention because of its simple concepts, few parameters, and ease of use [45–47].

The purpose of flower pollination in nature is to promote ‘survival of the fittest’ and ‘optimum breeding of flowering plants’. In blooming plants, pollination can take two distinct forms: biotic and abiotic [47,48]. Biological pollination is suitable for around 90% of blooming plants. A pollinator, such as bees, birds, insects, or...
animals, transports pollen. Abiotic pollination, such as wind and water dispersion, accounts for around 10% of the remaining pollination. Self-pollination or cross-pollination can be used to pollinate plants, as shown in Figure 7 [2,23,45–47]. Self-pollination is the fertilization of one flower with pollen from another flower of the same plant (autogamy) (Geitonogamy). When a flower contains both male and female gametes, they form. Self-pollination occurs frequently at short distances without the presence of pollinators. It can be seen as local pollination. Cross-pollination, also known as Allogamy, occurs when pollen grains from one plant are transferred to another’s bloom. The process is triggered by the stimulation of biotic or abiotic pollinators. With biotic pollinators, biotic cross-pollination can occur across large distances. Pollination on a worldwide scale is seen. As biotic pollinators, bees and birds exhibit Lévy flying behaviour [45–47], with leap or fly distance steps following a Lévy distribution.

Figure 7. Flower pollination in nature [2,23,45–47].

4.1. Mathematical modelling of FPOA

According to the above characteristics of the pollination process, pollinators can follow the following rules [45]: It is biotic and cross-pollination when pollinators migrate pollen by conducting Lévy flying with the process of global pollination. Abiotic and self-pollination are two types of local pollination that are expected. When the identical characteristics of two blooms are proportionate to the likelihood of breeding, this is known as pollinator consistency. To control the process of local and global pollination, the transformation probability $p \in [0, 1]$ is utilized. Because of physical proximity and other factors such as wind, the fundamental process of pollination is sped up. The FPA optimization approach has been established based on the research of the aforementioned characteristics of the pollination process. As a result, the above four principles have been converted into mathematical modelling equations. Pollen gametes are transported across large distances by pollinators such as flying insects in the initial step of global pollination. Pollination and breeding of the fittest solution are defined as $f^*$ in this procedure. Equation (33) [46] can be used to show rule 1 and flower reliability.

$$y_{i+1}^j = y_i^j + P(y_i^j - f^*)$$

The initial value of the $y_0^j$ selected as random value, where $y_i^j$ describes the pollen $i$ or vector of solution $y_i$ at generation $t$. The pattern $f^*$ presents the current optimal solution at current no. of iteration that is constructed among all the solution. Durability of the pollination expressed by element $P$, which is essentially a step size.

The flying insects may travel over a long distance while transfer pollen so we can define this characteristics in terms of Lévy flight. That is, $0 > P$ embellished from a Lévy distribution [45].

$$P \sim \frac{\lambda^\Gamma(\lambda) \sin(\pi \lambda/2)}{\pi} \frac{1}{s^{1+\lambda}} \quad (s >> s_0 > 0).$$

where $s$ indicates the step size. In Equation (34) classic gamma function is expressed by $\Gamma(\lambda)$ and this type of distribution is applicable for large steps $0 > s$. The considered value of $\lambda$ is 1.5. Equation (35) clarifies the local pollination and rule 2 plus flower dependable can be mathematically modelled as [35,38]:

$$y_{i+1}^j = y_i^j + \epsilon(y_i^j - y_k^j)$$

Where pollen of different flowers on same plant shown by $y_i^j$ and $y_k^j$. This essentially mimics the flower constancy in a limited neighbourhood. If $y_i^j$ and $y_k^j$ belongs to the same category and the same population, this become a local random walk if we express $\epsilon$ from a uniform distribution in the range $[0,1]$ [46].

Flower pollination movement can occur at all scales, both global and small. Local flower polens are more likely to fertilize nearby flower patches than pollen from far away flower patches. As a result, we can use the fourth rule (switch probability) $p$ to switch from common global pollination to local pollination more quickly. The algorithm’s pseudo code is as follows:

If we start with $p = 0.5$ and do a parametric analysis, we can discover the most convenient parameter range. For the majority of applications, $p = 0.8$ can be used to improve response. Pseudo code for the FP Algorithm [45–48] is presented below.
Algorithm 1 Pseudo code for FP Algorithm [2,23]
0: Initialize an objective as minimization.
Define the population for n flowers.
Find current best solution \( f^* \) in the initial population.
Describe the switch probability \( p \in [0, 1] \).
while (\( t < \text{Max. Iteration} \)) do
  for \( i=1: n \) do
    if \( \text{rand} < p \) then
      Define step size \( P \) which follow Lévy distribution. Use Equation (33) to perform global pollination.
    else
      Define \( e \) for uniform distribution \([0,1]\).
      Randomly select a \( j \) and \( k \) among all the solution.
      Perform local pollination by Equation (34).
    end if
    Calculate new solution.
    If the calculate solution is better, then update it in population.
  end for
Get the optimal solution \( f^* \).
end while

Algorithm 2 Genetic Algorithm Pseudo code [23].
Generate the initial population of individuals aleatorily \( P(0) \). While (Number _ Generations <= Maximum _ Numbers _ Generations)
Do:
  { Evaluation;
    Selection;
    Reproduction;
    Generation ++;
  }
Show results
End

Estimate the new optimal solution from Algorithm 1 by minimizing the Root Mean Square Error (RMSE) between the prior and current estimations.

4.2. Characteristics of genetic algorithm

The Genetic Algorithm (GA) is an optimization methodology based on an indiscriminate search method that can be used to solve nonlinear equations and optimize complex problems. The initial parameter in GA is chromosomes (genotypes or people); it is a set of parameters that holds the potential answer to the problem that the GA is attempting to solve, which iteratively derives. The second parameter is a ‘generation,’ which defines the algorithm’s iterations. The solutions are simulated using a fitness function as well as additional genetic operators such as reproduction, mutation, and crossover [49]. Many modifications and enhancements of this method have been reported in the literature; for example, in [50], the authors provide a work in which the algorithm is integrated with fuzzy logic techniques and the algorithm parameters are modified using a fuzzy logic system, yielding improved results. In addition, Bernd and Michael [51] presents an empirical study of the GA in which the author changed the GA’s parameter using the GA itself.

The following cycle can be used to express the Simple Genetic Algorithm in pseudo code:

5. Structure of the IT2-FTID/IT2-FPID controller

In this section, the architecture and layout strategy of the IT2-FTID/IT2-FPID controller are demonstrated. The architecture of the IT2-FTID controller is analogous to its IT2-FPID. However, the considerable point is that IT2-FLCs employ IT2 FIs. The architecture of IT2-FTID/IT2-FPID controller is rooted from the integer order IT2-FTID controller [18], where integrator and differentiator transform into their fractional forms, i.e. the integration (\( \text{int use Integration symbol} \)) at the output of IT2-FTID is substituted by fractional order integration counterpart and rate of the change of error \( \left( \frac{d}{dt}\right) \) at the input to IT2-FTID is also substituted by fractional order differentiation. The closed loop control structure of the proposed controller (IT2-FTID) presented in Figure 8.

The control schema of the proposed controller (IT2-FTID) with tuning parameters depicted in Figure 9.
The prime objective of this work is to focus on the effect of tuning the fractional derivative of the error and IT2FLC output, while the structure of membership function and rule-base remain in the model state. These tuned parameters $K_p, K_i, K_d, n, \beta_1, \beta_2$ enhance the overall close loop performance of the control systems significantly. In this paper, triangular membership functions are chosen for IT2FLCs, because these membership functions are easier to implement in simulation/practical hardware. These membership functions contribute their appearance of instruction at each point. The interval type-2 fuzzy triangular membership functions for error and derivative of the error Figure 9 are inspired from a proposed article [52–54]. The minimum and maximum values of the universe of discourse for error and derivative of error are $-1$ and $+1$. The rule base is the core part of FLCs design which is based on the process dynamics, expert’s knowledge and understanding. The interval type-2 membership functions of two inputs error and derivative of error are depicted in Figure 10 for proposed IT2FLC.

The antecedent membership functions of IT2FLC Figure 9 architecture are described by the five fuzzy linguistic variables such as ‘Negative Big’, ‘Negative, Medium’, ‘Zero’, ‘Positive Medium’ and ‘Positive Big’ which are expressed by ‘NB’, ‘NM’, ‘Z’, ‘PM’ and ‘PB’, respectively. In order to do the fair observation, the consequent membership functions of IT2FLC are same and defined with crisp singletons $NB = -1$, $NM = -0.8$, $Z = 0$, $PM = +0.8$ and $PB = +1$ [52].

Fuzzy membership function values are chosen based on TTCN/ILS system knowledge, simulation data, thereafter normalized data were used to design the Fuzzy Inference System (FIS).

5.1. Objective function

In this research work, the design of IT2-FTID and IT2-FPID controller is considered as problem of optimization. The objective function is evaluated as minimization of error signal as in Equation (36) with parameter limits as in Equation (37).

Minimize the objective functions:

$$\text{Obj}_f = \int_{0}^{\infty} t |e(t)| dt$$

where, $e(t)$ is close loop error, i.e. error between desire value and actual value.

Subjected:

$$K_p^{\text{min}} \leq K_p \leq K_p^{\text{max}}$$

$$K_i^{\text{min}} \leq K_i \leq K_i^{\text{max}}$$

$$K_d^{\text{min}} \leq K_d \leq K_d^{\text{max}}$$

$$n^{\text{min}} \leq n \leq n^{\text{max}}$$

$$\beta_1^{\text{min}} \leq \beta_1 \leq \beta_1^{\text{max}}$$

$$\beta_2^{\text{min}} \leq \beta_2 \leq \beta_2^{\text{max}}$$

The $\beta_1$ and $\beta_2$ is the tuning parameters for the $e$ and $\dot{e}$, it has additional tuning parameters for tuning/multiplicative factors for the input signal to the IT2FLC.

The FPA and GA is used to tune the parameters of the IT2FTID/IT2FPID controllers which are presented in Table 3.

6. Stability analysis of fractional order TID controller

Fractional-order TID controller is traditional fractional order controller and widely researched area and applications in the domain of control. Fractional-order TID controller is characterized as Equation (38):

$$C_{\text{TID}}(s) = \frac{K_p}{s^{1/n}} + \frac{K_i}{s} + K_d s$$

where again $K_p, K_i,$ and $K_d$ are unknown real parameters to be calculated $s \in \mathbb{N}$, and $n$ is an unknown positive integer often considered equal to 2 or 3 before
tuning other parameters [18]. The s is the Laplace parameter which is defined $s \in \mathbb{N}$. The value of tuned parameters determines the optimal output of TID controller. In [18], a few TID qualities were studied. It also includes a method for fine-tuning its parameters.

Consider a closed-loop control system, in this model $G_p(s)$ is the process transfer function model and $G_c(s)$ is the fractional-TID controller, then the characteristics equation can be written as

$$\Delta(jw) = 1 + G_c(s)G_p(s) = 0 \quad (39)$$

Characteristics equation be expanded and hence real part and imaginary part, we get

$$\Delta(jw) = 1 + (R(w) + jI(w)) \times \left( \frac{K_p}{(jw)^2} + \frac{K_i}{(jw)^2} + K_d(jw)^\mu \right) = 0 \quad (40)$$

$j^\lambda$ can be approximated as

$$j^\lambda = e^{(\frac{\pi}{2})\lambda} = \cos \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \lambda \right) + j \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \lambda \right) \quad (41)$$

Substituting the value of $j^\lambda$ in the fractional controller, the expression for fractional controller can be expressed as

$$G_c(jw) = \frac{K_p}{w^\lambda} \left( \cos \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \lambda \right) - j \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \lambda \right) \right)$$

$$+ \frac{K_i}{w^\lambda} \left( \cos \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \lambda \right) - j \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \lambda \right) \right)$$

$$+ K_d w^\lambda \left( \cos \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \lambda \right) - j \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \lambda \right) \right) \quad (42)$$

Taking the characteristics equation as zero, we get

$$\Delta(jw) = R(w) + jI(w) = 0 \quad (43)$$

$$I(w) = K_p I(w) \frac{1}{w^\lambda} \left( \cos \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \lambda \right) I(w) \right)$$

$$- \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \lambda \right) R(w) K_i$$

$$+ \frac{1}{w^\lambda} \left( \cos \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \lambda \right) I(w) \right) - \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \lambda \right) R(w) K_i$$

$$+ w^\mu \left( \cos \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \mu \right) I(w) \right) + \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \mu \right) R(w) K_d \quad (44)$$

$$R(w) = 1 + K_p R(w)$$

$$+ \frac{1}{w^\lambda} \left( \cos \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \lambda \right) R(w) \right) + \left( \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \lambda \right) R(w) \right)$$

$$+ I(w) K_i + w^\mu \left( \cos \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \mu \right) R(w) \right)$$

$$- \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \mu \right) + I(w) + K_d \quad (45)$$

$$w^\lambda R(w) K_p + X_R K_i + X_R K_d = 0 \quad (46)$$

$$w^\mu I(w) K_p + X_I K_i + X_I K_d = 0 \quad (47)$$

$$X_R = \cos \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \lambda \right) R(w) + \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \lambda \right) I(w)$$

$$X_R = w^\lambda R(w) - \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \lambda \right) I(w)$$

$$X_I = -\sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \lambda \right) R(w) + \cos \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \lambda \right) I(w)$$

$$X_I = w^\lambda \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \lambda \right) R(w) + \cos \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \lambda \right) I(w) \quad (48)$$

### 6.1. Solution of $K_p$ and $K_i$

$$\begin{bmatrix} w^\lambda R(w) \\ w^\lambda R(w) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} K_p \\ K_i \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -X_R K_d - w^\lambda \\ -X_I K_d \end{bmatrix} \quad (49)$$

$$K_p = -K_d w^\lambda \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \lambda \right) R(w) - \cos \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \lambda \right) I(w)$$

$$\sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \lambda \right) R^2(w) + I^2(w) \quad (50)$$

$$K_i = K_d w^\lambda \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \mu \right) \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \lambda \right)$$

$$- \frac{w^\lambda I(w)}{\sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \lambda \right) + (R^2(w) + I^2(w))} \quad (51)$$

### 6.2. Solution of $K_p$ and $K_d$

$$\begin{bmatrix} X_R \\ X_I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X_R \\ X_I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} K_p \\ K_d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -w^2 R(w) K_p - w^\lambda \\ -w^\mu I(w) K_p \end{bmatrix} \quad (52)$$

$$K_p = \frac{w^\lambda \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \mu \right) \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \lambda \right)}{\sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \lambda \right)}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{w^\lambda \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \mu \right) R(w) + \cos \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \mu \right) I(w)}{\sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \lambda \right) + (R^2(w) + I^2(w))} \end{bmatrix} \quad (53)$$

$$K_d = \frac{K_p}{w^\lambda} \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \mu \right) \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \lambda \right)$$

$$- \frac{\sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \mu \right) R(w) - \cos \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \mu \right) I(w)}{w^\lambda \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \lambda \right) R^2(w) + I^2(w)} \quad (54)$$

### 7. Simulation results

MATLAB (R2015a) is used to conduct simulation studies on two uncertain nonlinear level control processes. FPA and GA optimization algorithms are used to find the best parameters for fuzzy IT2-FTID and IT2-FPID. Table 3 lists the optimal parameters of controllers and their values. The simulations are divided into two phases: one without defects and the other with faults.

#### 7.1. Results for two-tank conical non-interacting level system (TTCNILS)

In the first scenario, two non-interacting conical tank systems are used to test the suggested control technique. The following are descriptions of the various faulty circumstances:

Fault Scenarios in TTCNILS
The expected PID controller tuning parameters are determined by application of optimization using FPA with sampling time 0.02 sec. The problem of optimization is treated as minimization of the objective function as characterized in Equation (28). The Simulink model of the TTCNILS system with global variables of IT2-FTID and IT2-FPID controller as $K_p$, $K_i$, $K_d$, $n$, $\beta_1$ and $\beta_2$ is incorporated in MATLAB R2015b as shown in Figure 1. The IAE- and ITAE-based objective function for fault requirement. The actuator fault in control valve $f_a$ magnitude $M = 40\%$.

(2) System Component Fault ($f_{sys}$)

- The system component fault (leak) introduce into conical tank 2, the leak flow ($f_{sys}$) = $\beta_1 \sqrt{2g h_l}$, where $\beta_1$ is valve coefficient for leak fault, $h_l$ is leak flow height and ($f_{sys}$) is leak flow rate. The system component (leak) fault in tank 2 ($f_{sys}$) magnitude $M = 40\%$.

Process disturbances in TTCNILS

(1) Process disturbances ($d$)

- The process disturbances ($d$) introduces into TTCNILS by adding step/ramp signal at particular time interval. The uncertain process disturbances magnitude $M = 40\%$.

7.2. Performance of FPA

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as in Equation (28), with global variables is written in *.m file in MATLAB [55]. The upper and lower bound to the IT2-FTID and IT2-FPID parameters are set as shown in Equation (37). The Number of population size to FPA are considered as 10 and the dimension is set to 3. The switch probability is considered as \( p = 0.8 \) and the maximum number of iteration count is set as 100 for considering the termination of optimization. The performance of optimization in terms of fitness function value with iteration count is set at 100 and sampling time set as 0.02 second during optimization is shown in Figure 11. In [56] author presented the fault-tolerant control scheme using fuzzy logic for nonlinear level control process with intermittent fault and time delay constrain. The author of [57] proposed PID controller tuning using metaheuristic approach (ant colony optimization algorithm) and in [58] author use traditional zigler nichols (ZN) controller tuning method for tuning the parameters of the integer order PID and fractional order PID controller for conical two-tank (non-interacting) level control process with faults. In recent time, fuzzy harmonic search algorithm based optimization method of fuzzy controller is proposed for nonlinear systems and designed optimal fault-tolerant controller and found substantial statistical results under different uncertainties [59].

(1) TTCNILS Response without Fault

In Figure 9 TTCNILS system response without fault depicted, IT2-FTID and IT2-FPID controller comparative performance presented in Figure 12.

In the second phase of the simulation the proposed controller tested with two faults and process disturbances. The two faults consider in the TTCNILS system are system component (leak) and actuator, respectively, having abrupt in nature.

(2) TTCNILS Response with system component (leak) Fault

In Figure 13 TTCNILS system response with leak fault \( f_{sys} \) depicted, IT2-FTID and IT2-FPID controller comparative performance presented in Figure 13.

(3) TTCNILS Response with Actuator Fault

In Figure 14 TTCNILS system response with actuator fault \( f_a \) depicted, IT2-FTID and IT2-FPID controller comparative performance presented in Figure 14. From the result clearly represents that, the IT2FTID outperform the IT2FPID in terms of transient and steady-state performance.

(4) TTCNILS Response with Process disturbances

In Figure 15 TTCNILS system response to process disturbances \( d \) depicted, IT2-FTID and IT2-FPID controller comparative performance presented in Figure 15.

IT2FTID controller gives smooth steady-state response as compared to the IT2FPID controller because of FTID controller having four tuning parameters such as \( K_P, K_I, K_D \), and so more flexibility is there to tune the parameters.

Figures 16 and 17 illustrate the best fuzzy controller surface for IT2FTID and IT2FPID controller.

The superiority of the IT2FTID using FPA as compared to IT2FTID using GA measured with three errors (MAE, MSE and RMSE) which are presented in Figures 18 and 19.

7.2.1. Two-tank conical frustum non-interacting level control (TTCFNLC) process

In the second phase of the simulation the proposed controller tested with TTCFNLC process with two faults.

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**Figure 15.** Simulated response of \( h_2 \) in TTCNILS with uncertain process disturbances.

**Figure 16.** Fuzzy control surface for IT2FPID method for the TTCNILS [50].
and uncertain process disturbances. The two faults consider in the TTCFNLC system are system component (leak) and actuator, respectively, having abrupt in nature. The magnitude and the nature of the fault are same which are consider for the TTCNILS process, the each fault magnitude value is 40% and the process disturbances magnitude is 40%. The time behaviour of all uncertainties is abrupt.

**Fault scenarios in TTCFNLC**

1. Actuator fault ($f_a$)
   - The actuator fault will be induced by ($\alpha$), which denotes a faulty primary actuator (loss of efficacy) that regulates the regulated variable input flow rate ($f_{in}$). Equations (19) and (20) depict a broken system model with unknown parameters (actuator ($f_a$) fault). The actuator fault into the TTCFNLC is introduce by changing the control output signal ($u$) positive or negative values can be taken as per fault requirement. The actuator fault in control valve ($f_a$) magnitude $M = 40\%$.

![Figure 17. Fuzzy control surface for IT2FTID method for the TTCNILS [50].](image)

![Figure 18. Comparison of IT2FTID and IT2FPID controllers using FPA performance based on MAE/MSE/RMSE error.](image)

![Figure 19. Comparison of IT2FTID and IT2FPID controllers using GA performance based on MAE/MSE/RMSE error.](image)
(b) System component fault \((f_{sys})\)
- The system component fault (leak) introduce into conical frustum tank 2, the leak flow \(f_{sys} = f_o = \beta_2 a_2 \sqrt{2gh_2}\), where \(\beta_2\) is valve coefficient for leak fault, \(h_1\) is leak flow height and \((f_{sys})\) is leak flow rate. The system component (leak) fault in conical frustum tank 2 \((f_{sys})\) magnitude \(M = 40\%\).

Process disturbances in TTCFNLC

(1) Process disturbances \((d)\)
- The process disturbances \((d)\) introduces into TTCFNLC by adding step/ramp signal at particular time interval. The uncertain process disturbances magnitude \(M = 40\%\).

(2) TTCFNLC response with system component (leak) Fault
In Figure 20 TTCFNLC system response with leak fault \((f_{sys})\) depicted, IT2-FTID and IT2-FPID controller comparative performance presented in Figure 20.

(2) TTCFNLC response with actuator fault
In Figure 21 TTCFNLC system response with actuator fault \((f_a)\) depicted, IT2-FTID and IT2-FPID controller comparative performance presented in Figure 21. From the result clearly represents that, the IT2FTID outperform the IT2FPID in terms of transient and steady-state performance.

(3) TTCFNLC response with process disturbances

In Figure 22 TTCFNLC system response to process disturbances \((d)\) depicted, IT2-FTID and IT2-FPID controller comparative performance presented in Figure 22.

The superiority of the IT2FTID using FPA as compared to IT2FTID using GA measured with three errors (MAE, MSE and RMSE) which are presented in Figures 23 and 24.

### 7.3. Statistical test

To statistically verify the efficiency of the proposed method it was decided to use the z-test statistic, which is given by Equation (55), and the parameters used for the test are shown in Table 4:

\[
Z = \frac{(\bar{X}_1 - \bar{X}_2) - (\mu_1 - \mu_2)}{\sigma_{\bar{X}_1-\bar{X}_2}} \tag{55}
\]

The alternative hypothesis indicates that the results of the IT2FTID method are smaller than the IT2FPID method and the null hypothesis indicates otherwise, with a rejection region for values lower than –1.645.

**Statistical results for TTCFNILS**

Based on the parameters of the z-test statistic presented in above subsection and Equation (55), the

| Parameter            | Value |
|----------------------|-------|
| Level of confidence  | 95%   |
| Alpha                | 0.05  |
| \(H_0\)              | \(\mu_1 \geq \mu_2\) |
| \(H_a\)              | \(\mu_1 < \mu_2\) |
| Critical value       | –1.645|
results of the Z-values are presented in Tables 5–11 for TTCNIL system subject to uncertainty (actuator fault, system component (leak) fault and process disturbances, respectively).

Statistical results for TTCFNLC

Based on the parameters of the z-test statistic presented in above subsection and Equation (55), the results of the Z-values are presented in Tables 10–16 for TTCFNLC system subject to uncertainty (actuator fault, system component (leak) fault and process disturbances, respectively).

From the statistical results, we can surly say that the proposed control approach IT2FTID using FPA is superior for both the uncertain level control process under various uncertainties.

The Z-values obtained for the statistical test demonstrate the improvement of the proposed IT2FTID

| Table 5. Results for the statistical test of the TTCNILS subject to actuator ($f_a$) fault using IT2FTID and IT2FPID with FPA. |
|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| RMSE            | IT2FTID Using GA | IT2FPID Using GA |
| Best            | 8.256E-01        | 9.452E-01        |
| Worst           | 10.048E-01       | 14.982E-01       |
| Average         | 9.260E-01        | 12.232E-01       |
| Standard deviation | 6.89E-02    | 9.091E-02        |
| Z-value         | -16.061          | -1.1256          |

| Table 6. Results for the statistical test of the TTCNILS subject to system component (leak) ($f_{sys}$) fault using IT2FTID and IT2FPID with FPA. |
|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| RMSE            | IT2FTID Using GA | IT2FPID Using GA |
| Best            | 7.024E-01        | 8.189E-01        |
| Worst           | 13.041E-01       | 15.012E-01       |
| Average         | 8.363E-01        | 10.956E-01       |
| Standard deviation | 6.023E-02    | 8.789E-02        |
| Z-value         | -17.334          | -1.1014          |

| Table 7. Results for the statistical test of the TTCNILS subject to process disturbances ($d$) using IT2FTID and IT2FPID with FPA. |
|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| RMSE            | IT2FTID Using GA | IT2FPID Using GA |
| Best            | 5.134E-01        | 6.098E-01        |
| Worst           | 10.279E-01       | 13.034E-01       |
| Average         | 7.761E-01        | 10.126E-01       |
| Standard deviation | 4.231E-02    | 6.146E-02        |
| Z-value         | -17.451          | -1.0941          |

| Table 8. Results for the statistical test of the TTCNILS subject to actuator ($f_a$) fault using IT2FTID and IT2FPID with GA. |
|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| RMSE            | IT2FTID Using GA | IT2FPID Using GA |
| Best            | 10.281E-01       | 11.564E-01       |
| Worst           | 13.041E-01       | 15.012E-01       |
| Average         | 10.279E-01       | 13.034E-01       |
| Standard deviation | 7.16E-02     | 9.991E-02        |
| Z-value         | -12.032          | -1.318           |

| Table 9. Results for the statistical test of the TTCNILS subject to system component (leak) ($f_{sys}$) fault using IT2FTID and IT2FPID with GA. |
|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| RMSE            | IT2FTID Using GA | IT2FPID Using GA |
| Best            | 9.016E-01        | 10.434E-01       |
| Worst           | 12.012E-01       | 14.108E-01       |
| Average         | 9.114E-01        | 12.201E-01       |
| Standard deviation | 6.0148E-02   | 8.891E-02        |
| Z-value         | -13.561          | -1.3561          |

| Table 10. Results for the statistical test of the TTCFNLC subject to actuator ($f_a$) fault using IT2FTID and IT2FPID with FPA. |
|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| RMSE            | IT2FTID Using GA | IT2FPID Using GA |
| Best            | 7.106E-01        | 8.564E-01        |
| Worst           | 10.127E-01       | 12.086E-01       |
| Average         | 7.118E-01        | 10.301E-1        |
| Standard deviation | 4.123E-02    | 6.671E-02        |
| Z-value         | -13.897          | -1.391           |

| Table 11. Results for the statistical test of the TTCFNLC subject to process disturbances ($d$) using IT2FTID and IT2FPID with GA. |
|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| RMSE            | IT2FTID Using GA | IT2FPID Using GA |
| Best            | 8.658E-01        | 10.121E-01       |
| Worst           | 10.341E-01       | 14.367E-01       |
| Average         | 9.675E-01        | 12.605E-01       |
| Standard deviation | 6.783E-02    | 9.093E-02        |
| Z-value         | -16.478          | -1.009           |

| Table 12. Results for the statistical test of the TTCFNLC subject to system component (leak) ($f_{sys}$) fault using IT2FTID and IT2FPID with FPA. |
|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| RMSE            | IT2FTID Using GA | IT2FPID Using GA |
| Best            | 6.438E-01        | 8.107E-01        |
| Worst           | 8.121E-01        | 12.217E-01       |
| Average         | 7.465E-01        | 10.554E-01       |
| Standard deviation | 4.413E-02    | 5.183E-02        |
| Z-value         | -16.643          | -1.114           |

| Table 13. Results for the statistical test of the TTCFNLC subject to process disturbances ($d$) using IT2FTID and IT2FPID with GA. |
|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| RMSE            | IT2FTID Using GA | IT2FPID Using GA |
| Best            | 12.312E-01       | 13.678E-01       |
| Worst           | 15.245E-01       | 17.167E-01       |
| Average         | 12.342E-01       | 15.108E-01       |
| Standard deviation | 9.378E-02    | 12.013E-02       |
| Z-value         | -11.871          | -1.387           |

| Table 14. Results for the statistical test of the TTCFNLC subject to system component (leak) ($f_{sys}$) fault using IT2FTID and IT2FPID with GA. |
|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| RMSE            | IT2FTID Using GA | IT2FPID Using GA |
| Best            | 11.282E-01       | 12.638E-01       |
| Worst           | 14.105E-01       | 16.107E-01       |
| Average         | 11.182E-01       | 14.218E-01       |
| Standard deviation | 8.118E-02    | 11.134E-02       |
| Z-value         | -12.783          | -1.276           |
Table 16. Results for the statistical test of the TTCFNLC subject to process disturbances (d) using IT2FTID and IT2FPID with GA.

| RMSE          | IT2FTID Using FPA | IT2FPID Using FPA |
|---------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Best          | 9.197E–01         | 11.578E–01        |
| Worst         | 13.203E–01        | 15.0947E–01       |
| Average       | 10.082E–01        | 13.157E–01        |
| Standard deviation | 7.089E–02 | 10.115E–02        |
| Z-value       | −13.0923          | −1.291            |

approach with respect to the IT2FPID method with two different metaheuristic algorithms.

Critical Observations

- When compared to system component (leak) faults, the actuator fault degrades TTCNILS and TTCFNLC performance significantly.
- The proposed controller is validated by the abrupt nature of the actuator and the leak fault it introduces. TTCNILS and TTCFNLC, on the other hand, did not take into account the incipient form of the two faults.
- Out of three possible faults in TTCNILS and TTCFNLC two major faults introduced into the system.
- In comparison to traditional PID controllers, fractional order FOPID controllers are more flexible in terms of tuning parameters, allowing for fine tuning.
- The key reason for using the Flower Pollination Optimization Algorithm (FPA) to optimize the controller parameters is because it has few parameters and is simple to implement, requiring less processing.
- For TTCNILS and TTCFNLC, the FPA-based IT2FTID and IT2FPID controllers will provide optimum and superior response when compared to GA-based IT2FTID and IT2FPID controllers, subject to three uncertainties.

8. Conclusions

The use of the flower pollination algorithm (FPA) to design an optimal IT2FTID/IT2FPID controller for two nonlinear uncertain level control systems with two faults and process disturbances is proposed in this study. In this paper, the two-tank conical and two-tank frustum conical, non-interacting level system (TTCNILS) and (TTCFNLC) systems were investigated as real-world second-order systems (SOS) that are commonly required in industries. The FPA, one of the most effective population-based metaheuristic optimization approaches, was used, which is based on current optimization. Furthermore, for the proposed nonlinear system, two controller optimizations were performed using two different metaheuristic optimization methods, FPA and GA, and comparative simulation results were displayed using statistical analysis. Also offered is a fault recovery time analysis to test the effectiveness of the suggested controller in a faulty circumstance. Simulation results reveal that the FPA’s IT2FTID controller can offer a more satisfying response than the TTCNILS and TTCFNLC control system’s IT2FPID controller when subjected to modelling uncertainty, errors, and process disruptions. A metaheuristic approach for highly nonlinear and stochastic systems can be used to optimize fuzzy fault-tolerant control in the future.

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