Improved speed response of DC motor via intelligent techniques

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ABSTRACT

The classical Proportional – Integral (PI) control for Direct Current (DC) motor causes slow response of actual speed with high overshoot and undershoot which leads to sluggishness of the system. To minimize the problem of PI controller, intelligent technique based on hybrid neural network sliding mode control NN-SMC is suggested. The benefits of SMC are that it is simple, and tough to parameter deviations as compared with other controllers. In this paper, the neural network NN is used to minimize the error between reference speed and actual speed. In addition, the SMC aim is to control and optimize the voltage that is supplies the DC motor which guarantees the robust performance of the speed controller under disturbances. The proposed method for the speed control is first calculated and executed to DC motor by using MATLAB SIMULINK. The results of the suggested NN-SMC are compared with the traditional PI controller. The results obviously show the supremacy of NN-SMC over PI controller.

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1. INTRODUCTION

DC motor is commonly used in manufacturing uses because of its dependability. Many researchers suggested methods to control the speed of DC motors. PI controller is used for adjusting the speed of DC motor and implemented in Field-Programmable-Gate-Array (FPGA) [1]. Fuzzy controller was proposed to control the speed of DC motors based on feedback [2]. The real systems were controlled by SMC because of its robustness and simplicity [3]. Thus, these SMC with fuzzy logic controller was suggested to control the DC servo motors dynamic of sensors [4, 5]. New approaches of two SMC were employed for angular velocity of DC motor [6]. Speed of servo motor was enhanced based on discrete SMC [7]. Furthermore, high contribution for control of real systems was recorded based on fractional order SMC [8]. In the nonlinear systems, for multi inputs and multi outputs, the SMC performance was modified via the fractional order SMC [9]. In addition, the fractional-order sliding surface is used to decrease the distortion of speed [10]. The effectiveness of fractional order SMC for speed of a PMSM [11] and position of a DC motor is also confirmed [12]. The main purpose of PI controllers is to control the speed. However, due to parameter deviations of nonlinear system, PI controller is unable to adjust the speed. SMC is designed for control the speed of permanent magnet DC motor based on fractional order to minimize the load disturbance and parameters variations [13, 14].

In the current paper, new approach for optimize the speed of a DC motor is suggested based on hybrid intelligent NN-SMC. In addition, the aim of NN is to decrease the error between the desired speed and actual speed through back propagations BP. Also, the SMC is used to adjustable the voltage which supplies the DC motor. from simulation results, it can be noted that the intelligent technique based on NN-SMC is robustness for nonlinear system.
2. MATERIAL AND PROPOSED METHOD

This proposed method is built by using Matlab Simulink with toolbox. The classical control of DC motor based on PI controller is suffered from overshoot, undershoot, and slow response of speed which degrades the system performance. In order to overcome this problem, hybrid technique based on neural network with sliding mode control is suggested. Here, the reference speed and actual speed are the inputs to NN and the error is the output. This error with change of error will apply to SMC to generate the voltage that supply the DC motor. The simulink of NN with SMC is shown in Figure 1.

![Simulink of NN with SMC](image)

3. THE SIMULATION RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

From Figure 2 and Figure 3, the speed of DC motor through NN-SMC is good tracking with reference speed and fast response. In contrast, the speed based on classical PI controller has overshoot and undershoot with slow response.

![Comparison of speed](image)  ![Response of actual speed with reference speed](image)
Figure 4 shows the robustness of voltage based NN-SMC with variation of reference speed but the voltage of classical PI controller is unstable. From Figure 5 when the load torque is applied on DC motor, the performance of PI speed response is deteriorating and the effect is obvious while the effect of torque on proposed NN-SMC speed is trivial.

The error between the actual speed and reference speed of proposed NN-SMC is almost approach to zero as shown in Figure 6. Furthermore, the error of classical PI controller is fluctuating between 40 rad/sec to 30 rad/sec which caused instability of system.
4. CONCLUSION

This proposed method exhibits an enhanced control for speed of DC motor using intelligent technique NN-SMC. The PI controller can be used for regulating the speed but it needs long time to reach the steady state due to overshoot and undershoot. Therefore, the PI controller is replaced by the intelligent NN-SMC to modify the system. The NN-SMC gave better performance under load disturbances as compared with PI controller. Finally, the system with NN-SMC is more accuracy, fast response of speed, and low effect under parameters variation condition.

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