Adaptive Stochastic Feedback Control of Resistive Wall Modes in Tokamaks

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Motivation

- Resistive Wall Mode (RWM) in tokamaks
 > Need for stabilization
- Past research on the suppression of RWM
 - Deterministic models used
 - ➢ No optimal control used
 - Fixed gain controllers without adaptive structure

PID control inadequate for multi unstable modes

- Sen, Nagashima and Longman's work
 Stochastic model used, optimal state feedback
- New methods as in the outline
 - State feedback control, output feedback control and its neural netowrk (NN) implementation

Part I

Online System Identification

Objectives

- A mathematical model should be estimated from experimental data
 - > Should be able to estimate time-varying systems
 - Convergence time should be shorter compared to the inverse of the growth rate
 - Computational burden should be small

System models of a single unstable RWM

• State-space system model of a single unstable RWM

 $I(t) = AI(t) + Bu(t) + DI_n(t)$

 $\psi(t) = HI(t) + \psi_m(t)$

For a RWM in DIII-D tokamak

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} -0.474 & -502 \\ -14.7 & 79.0 \end{pmatrix} B = \begin{pmatrix} -531 \\ -16500 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$D = \begin{pmatrix} 100 \\ 30 \end{pmatrix} H^{T} = \begin{pmatrix} 1.40 \times 10^{-6} \\ 2.30 \times 10^{-6} \end{pmatrix}$$

• Difference equation model $A(q)\psi(k) = B(q)u(k) + C(q)e(k)$

Sampling rate is 1ms, *e(k)* is system noise *q* is the forward shift operator

- Noise modeling
 - ➤Total noise, approximately ½ to 1 Gauss, is evenly divided between the measurement noise and the plant noise
 - ≻RMS value of the plant noise is about 10⁻⁴ Weber
 - ➢RMS value of the measurement noise about 10⁻⁴ Weber

• Regression model setup

Input Sequence: {u(1)...u(k)...u(n)}, Output Sequence: { $\psi(1)...\psi(k)...\psi(n)$ } $\theta = (a_1 \ a_2 \ b_0 \ b_1 \ c_1 \ c_2) \ \varphi^T(k) = (-\psi(k) \ -\psi(k-1) \ u(k) \ u(k-1) \ e(k) \ e(k-1))$ use $\varepsilon(k) = \psi(k) - \varphi^T(k-1)\hat{\theta}(k-1)$ to approximate system noise e(k)

• Autoregressive system model

$$\psi(k) = \varphi^T (k-1)\theta$$

• Extended least square (ELS) method

$$\hat{\theta}(k) = \hat{\theta}(k-1) + K(k)(\psi(k) - \varphi^T(k)\hat{\theta}(k-1))$$

$$K(k) = P(k)\varphi(k) = P(k-1)\varphi(k)(I + \varphi^T(k)P(k-1)\varphi(k))^{-1}$$

$$P(k) = (I - K(k)\varphi^T(k))P(k-1)$$

 $\succ \hat{\theta}$ is defined as the estimate of θ

Identification of the time-invariant model

Estimation of B(q)

Estimation of A(q)



ELS method for the time-varying system

- Real plasma systems are time-varying
 - ► Use a forgetting factor λ , $0 < \lambda \le 1$, The ELS method becomes $\hat{\theta}(k) = \hat{\theta}(k-1) + K(k)(\psi(k) - \varphi^T(k)\hat{\theta}(k-1))$ $K(k) = P(k)\varphi(k) = P(k-1)\varphi(k)(\lambda I + \varphi^T(k)P(k-1)\varphi(k))^{-1}$ $P(k) = (I - K(k)\varphi^T(k))P(k-1)/\lambda$

 \blacktriangleright Relationship between λ and the evolution of the system

• Simulation of a time-varying system model

> The simulation starts with the original model

> The system matrix A takes step increase of 10% every 50ms:

$$A \rightarrow A^*1.1 \rightarrow A^*1.2 \rightarrow \ldots \rightarrow A^*2$$

Identification of the time-varying system

Estimation of A(q)

Estimation

-0.5

-1

1.5 -2

Estimated a1







Part II

Adaptive Output Feedback Control

Objectives

- Minimize the output (fluctuation) energy and control energy
- Stabilization time is short
- Control design should be simple and fast
- Computation burden should be low

Block diagram of the controlled plasma



- Quadratic cost function $J = E\left\{ \left(\psi(k) \right)^2 + \rho u^2 \right\}$
- Control law

$$R(q)u(q) = -S(q)\psi(q)$$

- *R* and *S* satisfy the Diophantine equation A(q)R(q) + B(q)S(q) = P(q)C(q)
- *P* is the solution to a spectral factorization problem

$$rP(q)P(q^{-1}) = \rho A(q)A(q^{-1}) + B(q)B(q^{-1})$$

Output feedback control of the timeinvariant system



Adaptive output feedback control of the time-varying system



Part III

Neural Network Control

Objectives

• Develop a control algorithm for a Neural Network (NN)

• Implement the adaptive output feedback control with the algorithm

• Use a digital neural network hardware

- Mathematical model for the neuron.
 - > $u_1, u_2, \dots u_m$ are inputs. They are multiplied by connection weights $w_1, w_2, \dots w_m$ and summed.
 - The sum is passed to a transfer function and the result is the output of the neuron.
- A neural network (NN) is a system composed of many neurons
 - Its function is determined by network structure, connection strengths, and transfer functions
 - The transfer function is chosen to be a linear function in the study
- A Neural Network processor (NNP) made by Accurate Automation Corporation (AAC) has been debugged and software improved.

Block Diagram of the NNP control



A generalized linear Hopfield network



- The generalized linear Hopfield network can solve simultaneous linear equations, e.g., the Diophantine Eq.
 - The Diophantine Eq. should be rewritten as Ax = b
 - Stage 1: a feedforward layer with *b* as its inputs and A^T as its weight matrix
 - Stage 2: a Linear Hopfield layer whose inputs are the outputs of the Stage 1 layer, and weight matrix is, $W = (I - \alpha A A^T)$ where 1

$$W = (I - \alpha A A^T)$$
 where $0 < \alpha < \frac{1}{trace(A^T A)}$

The outputs of the second layer give the negative of the conjugate of the solution being sought.

Interface of the NN controller



Stabilization of the time-invariant system



Stabilization of the time-varying system



Computation time

- Matrix inversion is used as an example.
- Sequential algorithms
 - Lower-upper decomposition algorithm is used to do the inversion
 - > Complexity of this algorithm is $O(N^3)(C^{++} notation)$.
- Parallel (NN) algorithm

 \succ LHN is the neural network used to invert the matrix.

Complexity of this algorithm is either O(N¹) or O(1)(C++ notation).

Summary

- The ELS method can give an accurate estimate of the single mode RWM
- Stochastic optimal output feedback control can stabilize the single mode RWM, it is able to stabilize the RWM with a convergence time of three times the inverse of the growth rate.
- Neural Network Processor can be used to implement the adaptive stochastic optimal output feedback control of a RWM.
- Computation time of the neural network control is similar to the output feedback control. However, it will be much faster for high-order systems.