
PSO-TUNED PID CONTROLLER OPTIMIZATION FOR DC MOTOR SPEED CONTROL**Payal Bansal**

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Abstract:

The design of a PID controller for its robust performance in controlling DC motor speed, even under parameter variations and load disturbance effect. Various tuning techniques such as ANT algorithm, swarm optimization method, genetic algorithm, and gravitational search algorithm are used for PID controller parameter tuning. In Fuzzy PID controller membership functions are tuned with the hit and trial methods. but genetic algorithms can automatically design the PID controller or fuzzy based PID controller with predefined membership functions. The research paper aimed to optimize the PID controller for the purpose of DC motor speed control using PSO algorithm. A comparison of the obtained results was also made with previous researches in this area.

Keyword: PSO, PID, Speed Control, DC Motor

Introduction:

DC motors are widely used in various industries due to their exceptional speed control characteristics. Several techniques have been developed for speed control of DC motors, such as PID controllers, fuzzy controllers, and fuzzy-PID controllers, using methods like genetic algorithms, fractional order fuzzy tuning, and artificial intelligence. The main goal of speed control is to prevent machine damage and avoid slow rise time and high overshoot. Among these techniques, PID controllers based on fuzzy controllers are the most commonly used method for controlling DC motor speed.

Tuning of the controller parameters is performed to obtain optimal settings from the process information. Additionally, other devices such as buck converters and microcontrollers can be combined with the PID controller to control DC motor speed, with parameters being tuned using

floating-point format and DSP processors. Furthermore, nature-inspired algorithms such as Particle Swarm Optimization and Gravitational search algorithm are also being explored for tuning PID controllers.

Literature Review in Speed control of dc motor

A review of more than 25 research papers was conducted in the field of controller design and parameter tuning using fuzzy logic. The purpose was to identify current challenges and potential areas for future work. The review found that the main issue addressed in the papers was speed control of DC motors. The common findings of the literature review is as follows:

- Speed control of DC motor was done by reducing three main parameters i.e. settling time, rise time and Maximum overshoot.
- Controlling of speed was done by using conventional PID controller, Fuzzy PID controller, Genetic algorithm, ANFIS and Particle Swarm Optimization. Some researchers also used Neuro Fuzzy technique.
- DC motors of range (12V – 240 V) and 1500 – 4000Rpm was used by the researchers but some of them also used Separately Excited DC Motor.
- Hardware and Software both implementations were done. In hardware 16 bit microcontroller, Buck converters and Special chip DSPIC30f4011 were used by the researchers. For software, Simulink was developed in MATLAB and LABVIEW.
- Maximum overshoot in the case of conventional PID controller was 4.47% which was reduced to 0% by using the different techniques.
- Maximum Settling time in the case of conventional PID was 2.27s which was reduced to the range of (0.25 s – 0.04 s) by using the different techniques.
- Approximately (30 – 40) % of the rise time is reduced.
- Some researchers have considered noise to be a main problem and they had controlled noise with the help of the algorithms used.
- Researchers compared their results with ZN method results or by the conventional PID controller results.

PSO based PID Controller

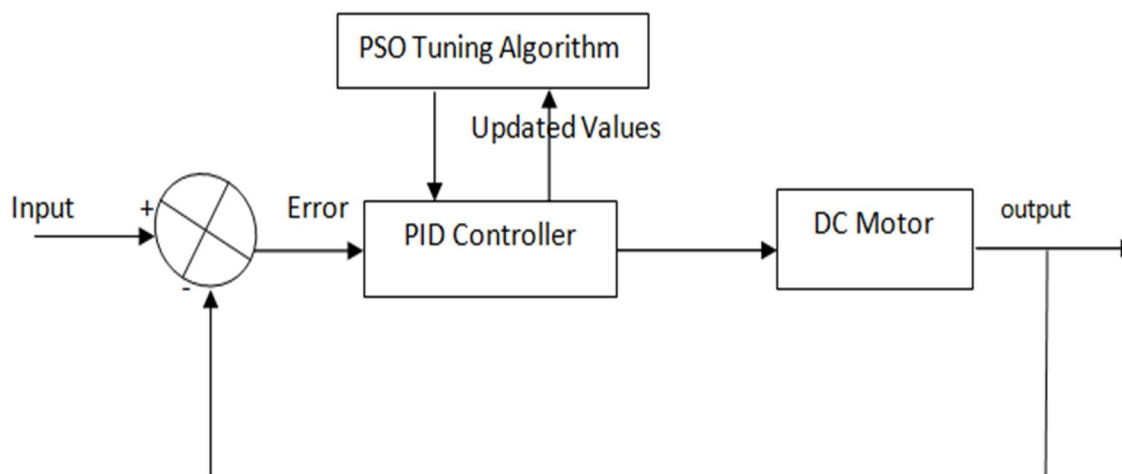


Fig: Block diagram for proposed work

The figure illustrates the implementation of a PSO-tuned PID controller for DC motor speed control. By optimizing the control parameters, this approach can effectively tune the controller and produce optimal results.

Selection of PSO Factors

The PSO algorithm requires predefining numerical coefficients such as acceleration constants, random functions, maximum and minimum velocities, inertia weight, swarm size, and communication topology. In this study, the acceleration constants were set to $C1 = 0.7$ and $C2 = 2$. These coefficients play an important role in optimizing the control parameters of the PSO-tuned PID controller for DC motor speed control.

Table 4.2 Parameters of PSO

Parameters	Value
No. of particles in swarm	50
Maximum iteration	80
Initial position	5
Social rate C1	0.7
Cognitive rate C2	2
Fitness Function	$ISE(\text{current}) + c * (\text{max}(\text{current}) / \text{max}(\text{speed}))^2 * ISE(\text{speed})$

Fitness Function

In order to achieve optimal results, all three parameters of the proposed work were optimized. The search space was explored to find the best combination of $[K_p, K_i, K_d]$ for which a particular

response was obtained. Each point in the search space represented a unique combination of these parameters, allowing for a comprehensive exploration of the parameter space.

$$\text{Fitness} = \text{ISE}(\text{current}) + c * (\text{max}(\text{current}) / \text{max}(\text{speed}))^2 * \text{ISE}(\text{speed})$$

Where, ISE is Integral Square Error.

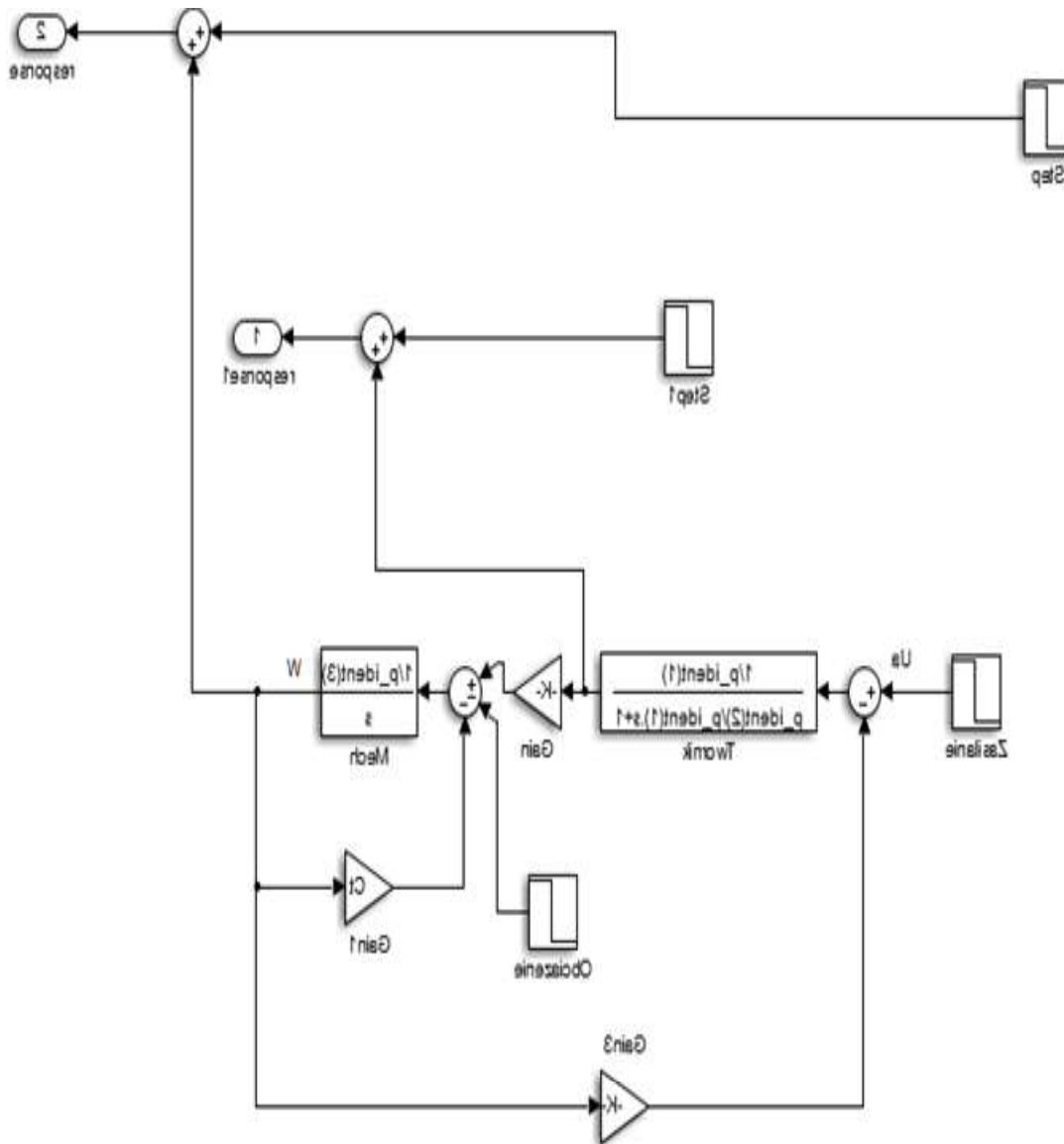
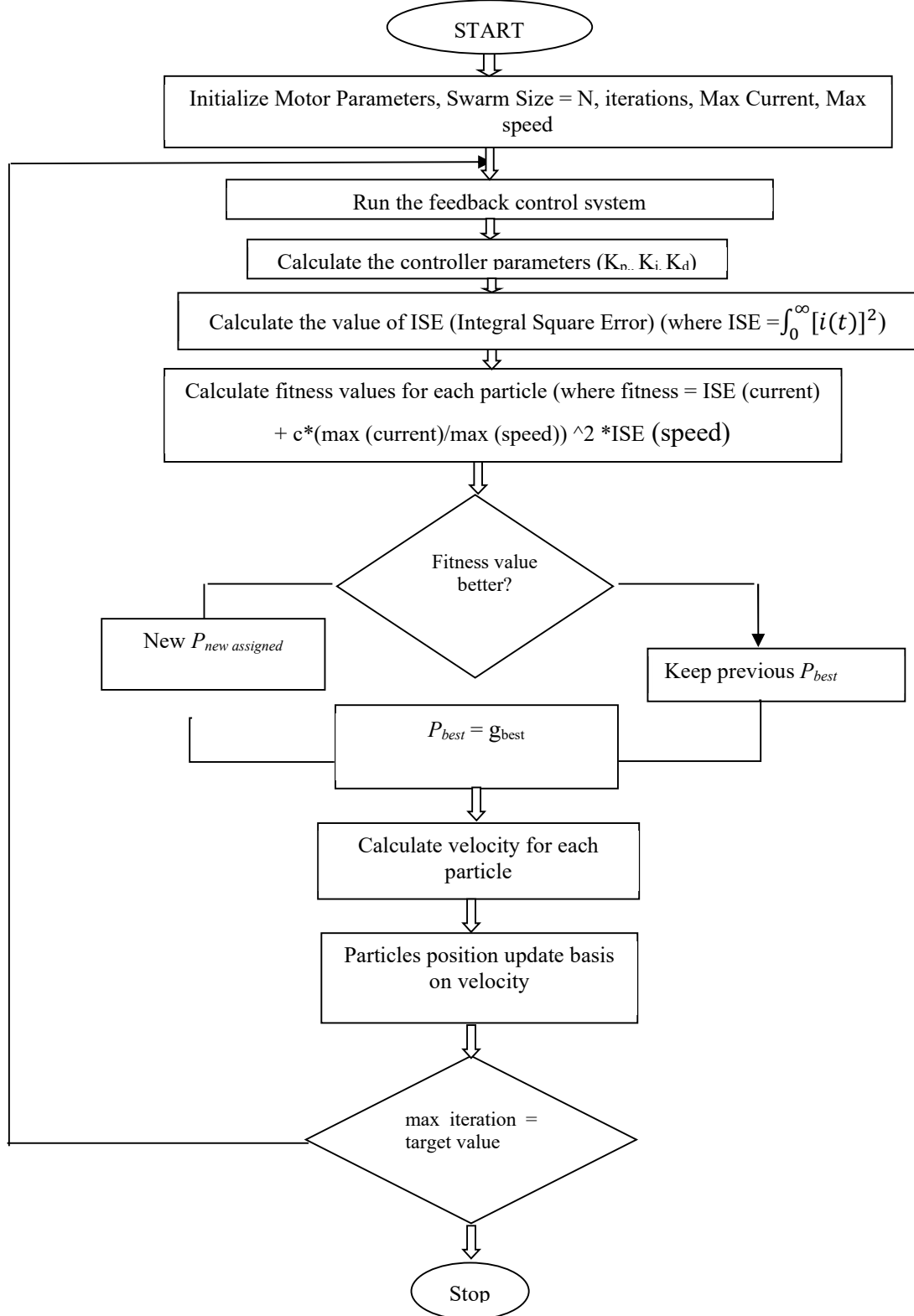


Fig: MATLAB simulink based on PSO

Particle Swarm Optimization Algorithm



According to the algorithm used the flowchart is as follows:

Yes	No
No	Yes

Fig: Flowchart of PSO

- Step 1** – input the necessary motor parameters for designing the transfer function.
- Step 2** – Initialize the PSO parameters i.e. armature resistance, armature inductance, moment of inertia and the psi (flux).
- Step 3** – Initialize the swarm position and velocity by taking a constant C as 0.7
- Step 4** – Swarm is turned on and P_{best} value is calculated by calculating the fitness value by using equation (4.15). If estimated error crosses the threshold value the response is recognized as totally incorrect.
- Step 5** – Update the position using $P_i^{k+1} = P_i^k + V_i^{k+1}$.
- Step 6** the fitness value of the personal best (Pbest) of all particles is compared to determine the best. The coordinates of the best particle are stored as Gbest.
- Step 7** –After , the Gbest value is obtained. The solution is determined by the particle that generated the most recent Gbest.

Table 5.9 Comparison between Previous Work and Proposed Work

	Settling time(s)	Maximum overshoot	Rise time (s)
GA (previous work) [18]	0.116	0%	0.063
PID	0.9	0.93%	0.935
PSO	0.09	0%	0.03

Rise time is reduced 0.63s to 0.03 s whereas settling time is also reduced to 0.09s from 0.116 s. This chapter describes the significant contribution of work in achieving the main objective. Next chapter deals with the conclusion of work

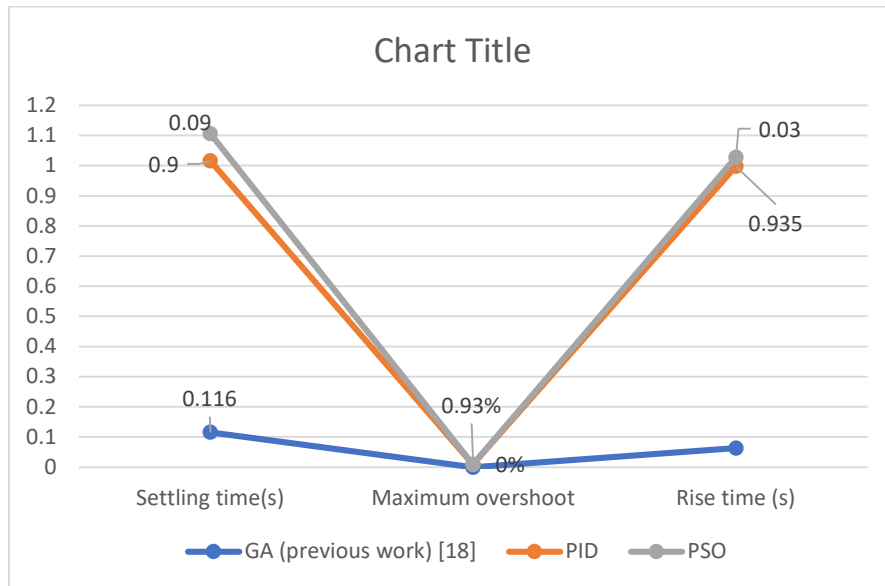


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Conclusion:

PSO was found to be a more efficient and less time-consuming technique, with a fitness function value close to 0.012 in the PSO-PID algorithm. GA was used for designing the controller and did not require a rule base table. Classical PSO was found to converge prematurely, but adaptive PSO showed better performance by changing control parameters. The use of non-linear weights in PSO proved to be more effective for the dynamic economic dispatch problem due to the changing environment over time.

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