

Introduction on Some Applications of Machine Learning Techniques

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Editorial

We welcome you to Global Journal of Technology and Optimization, a publication devoted to the distribution of high-caliber, legitimate and cutting-edge research going on in the field of Technology and Optimization. In the field of optimization, one of the major branches is machine learning. For almost all machine learning algorithms, whether it is supervised learning, unsupervised learning, or reinforcement learning, it generally comes down to solving optimization problems. In the last few decades, more and more researchers have begun to incorporate machine learning into automatic control, such as the field of robot control, cargo transportation, material processing, and medical fields, with the expectation of better control performance and theoretical development. In this issue, some papers on the application of machine learning in control in our lab will be introduced. The machine learning methods mainly involved Q-learning [1], Ant Colony Optimization (ACO) [2], Support Vector Machine (SVM) [3] (also Support Vector Regression (SVR) [4]), Particle Swarm Optimization (PSO) [5] and Change Finder [6].

In container yard terminals, containers brought by trucks arrive in random order. A new Q-learning system for material handling of container yard terminal has been proposed in [7], where each container has several desired positions and the learning performance can be improved. In [8], an algorithm based on ACO and the modified ACO method is applied for the scheduling problems in steel works. Besides, the route derived by the proposed method is compared with that by Q-learning method. Modeling for the 3D micro-hand is proposed in [9] by using Multi-Output Support Vector Regression (MSVR) and ACO, where MSVR estimates the input-output relation of the micro-hand and ACO optimizes the parameters of the MSVR model. In [10], an adaptive nonlinear sensorless control for an uncertain miniature pneumatic curling rubber actuator is considered and SVR is proposed to estimate the output for avoiding the use of a sensor. The PSO-SVR-based estimation method with the generalized Gaussian kernel is proposed for the modeling of a miniature pneumatic bending rubber actuator in [11] and the estimation ability has been improved compared with [10]. PSO-SVR with the generalized Gaussian kernel is also used for motion estimation [12], where isomorphic technique & operator theory-based sensorless adaptive nonlinear control considering passivity for the actuator is given. In [13], a SVM-based control scheme of a two-wheeled mobile robot in a noisy environment is proposed, where SVM is used for estimating the control parameters from the noisy environment. SVR is as a prediction model for the estimation of arriving time for a robot to soccer ball in RoboCup Soccer Simulation 2D League, and SVR is optimized by PSO method to increase predicting accuracy in [14]. Early fault detection method makes the system dependable and can increase productivity. In [15], a fault

detection method using SVM combined with ChangeFinder is proposed to detect fault early in a Tank-system.

The above mentioned papers in our Lab all present researches related to machine learning methods. The studies are mostly concerned with the control of systems. We will show our control techniques in the future.

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