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# A new belief-rule-base system based on gradient descent

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### ABSTRACT

The belief-rule-base(BRB) inference methodology using evidential reasonging(ER) approach is widely used in different fields, such as fault diagnosis, system identification and decision analysis. In this paper, we propose a new belief rule structure and its training method, aiming to solve zero activation during the inference process and improve inference accuray. We first used the Gaussian function to calculate the similarity of each attribute instead of the original method. Then we introduce corresponding attribute weight for each rule and cancel the rule weight parameter at the same time. Finally, we use the stochastic gradient descent method for parameters training based on the new rule structure. Experiments on several public classification datasets are conducted to validate the proposed approach compared with some recent existing works. The experimental results show that the proposed approach have a better performence in accuray and time consumption.

**INDEX TERMS** belief rule base, structure optimization, stochastic gradient descent, momentum optimization.

#### I. INTRODUCTION

The belief rule-based inference methodology using evidential reasonging approach(RIMER) proposed by Yang based on traditional IF-THEN rules, Dempster-Shafer theory of evidence, decision theory and fuzzy set theory. By introducing a belief distribution structure in the rules, this methodology can effectively handle incomplete and uncertain information involved in the datasets and widely used in various problem in different fields such as oil pipeline leak detection, military capability estimation, consumer behavior prediction and so on.

In the inference process of the BRB system, the attribute weight, rule weight, belief distribution and other parameters directly affect the final accuray. Yang proposed optimization models for training BRB system using fmincon solver in Matlab, Chang proposed an algorithm for training parameters in BRB system based on gradient and dichotomy methods, Wu used the accelerating of gradient algorithm to improve the convergence accuray and convergence speed. Su

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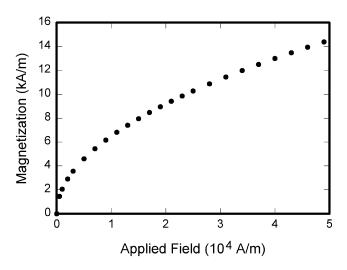


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TABLE 1. Units for Magnetic Properties

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B	magnetic flux density, magnetic induction	$1 \text{ G} \rightarrow 10^{-4} \text{ T} = 10^{-4} \text{ Wb/m}^2$
H	magnetic field strength	$1 \text{ Oe} \rightarrow 10^3/(4\pi) \text{ A/m}$
m	magnetic moment	1  erg/G = 1  emu
		$\rightarrow 10^{-3} \text{ A} \cdot \text{m}^2 = 10^{-3} \text{ J/T}$
M	magnetization	$1 \operatorname{erg/(G \cdot cm^3)} = 1 \operatorname{emu/cm^3}$
		$\rightarrow 10^3 \text{ A/m}$
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		A·m <sup>2</sup> /kg
j	magnetic dipole	1  erg/G = 1  emu
	moment	$\rightarrow 4\pi \times 10^{-10} \text{ Wb·m}$
J	magnetic polarization	$1 \operatorname{erg/(G \cdot cm^3)} = 1 \operatorname{emu/cm^3}$
		$\rightarrow 4\pi \times 10^{-4} \text{ T}$
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$\chi_{ ho}$	mass susceptibility	$1 \text{ cm}^3/\text{g} \to 4\pi \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}^3/\text{kg}$
$\mu$	permeability	$1 \rightarrow 4\pi \times 10^{-7} \text{ H/m}$
		$=4\pi \times 10^{-7} \text{ Wb/(A·m)}$
$\mu_r$	relative permeability	$\mu \to \mu_r$
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N, D	demagnetizing factor	$1 \rightarrow 1/(4\pi)$

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