# Performance Comparison of the ANFIS based Quad-Copter Controller Algorithms

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Abstract—Performing an accurate and smooth trajectory of a quad-copter is a crucial aspect in autonomous controls due to its non-linearity and under-actuated characteristic. Adaptive Neuro-Fuzzy Inference System (ANFIS) is well-known for nonlinear controls. This paper focuses on comparing the performance of ANFIS based quad-copter systems to identify the best optimization algorithm. Two famous algorithms called Genetic Algorithms (GA) and Particle Swarm Optimization (PSO) was used as the optimization algorithms and to tune the gains of the Fuzzy Inference Systems (FIS). The analysis was performed using two different simulations namely, altitude control and trajectory navigation. The final results were compared between traditional PID, conventional ANFIS, GA-ANFIS and PSO-ANFIS. PSO-ANFIS obtained the highest performance in our experiments.

Index Terms—Quad-Copter control, Adaptive Neuro Fuzzy Inference System (ANFIS), Genetic Algorithms (GA), MATLAB, Particle Swarm Optimization (PSO)

#### I. Introduction

Quad-copter controller designing is a trending topic of today's world researchers, because, the possibilities and capabilities of the quadcopter provide high expectations. The quad-copters are usually used in the fields of agriculture [1], [2], areal transportation [3], [4], mapping and exploration, fire and rescue [5], [6] and photography [7], [8].

Quad-copter has four motors, while the degrees of freedom are six. Hence, it is an underactuated mechanical system. Due to the under-actuation of the quad-copter, designing a better control algorithm is considerably an extensive challenge. Recently there have been several quad-copter control algorithms which provide better performance in stabilization when compared with the early stage controllers. PID control is one of the most used algorithms in quad-copter controls [9]-[11]. Most of the researchers tend to use the PID control algorithm as the initial step of developing the novel algorithms [12]–[14]. some of these can be listed as follows. Neural network (NN) based controllers [15], Neural-PID based controllers [16], sliding mode controllers [16], Linear quadratic controllers [17] and ANFIS based controllers [18], [19].

Among these control algorithms, it is a proven fact that the ANFIS based controllers provide better efficiency and stability according to the following literature. The authors in [20] have

developed a quad-copter using ANFIS algorithm to control the attitude and altitude. The authors have compared the results between ANFIS-PD, FUZZY-PD and PD controllers. The results show that the ANFIS based controller has better accuracy in attitude and altitude controlling over the other two algorithms. In [21], a Permanent Magnet Brush-less DC motor drive system is implemented using ANFIS and PI controllers. The results show that the ANFIS provides better results in current and torque controlling over the fixed PI controller. An altitude tracking system for a drone is implemented in [22]. They have used hybrid PD-ANFIS based algorithm for controlling. The results were obtained for classical PID, P-D, ANFIS and Intelligent PD-ANFIS controllers. Though all the considered controllers were able to stabilize the drone, the PD-ANFIS gives faster stability as in the results section of the paper.

The authors in [23] have presented an algorithm for drone control using ANFIS and Improved Particle Swarm Optimization algorithm (ANFIS-IPSO). The results were compared between PID, ANFIS and proposed algorithm. The trajectory tracking error has almost come to a zero when using ANFIS-IPSO algorithm. In [18], a trajectory control system for a quad-rotor is designed using PSO-ANFIS algorithm. Two simulation tests have been carried out for performance analysis such as trajectory tracking and mass loading and unloading. They compare the results with PID, ANFIS and PSO-ANFIS algorithms and the results prove that PSO-ANFIS provides better stability in both simulations. Hence, it is possible to do a performance analysis among state-of-the-art ANFIS based algorithms.

The main goal of this paper is to investigate the performance of the GA-ANFIS and PSO-ANFIS in quad-copter control.

The rest of the paper is organized as follows. Section II gives a brief introduction of the related theories such as quadcopter model dynamics, PID controllers, ANFIS, GA and PSO. Then the methodology of the controller implementation is presented in section III. As section IV, the results were analysed and finally, conclusion and future works are presented as section V.

#### II. RELATED THEORIES

## A. Quad-copter model dynamics

It is a necessary fact to understand the basic dynamics of the quad-copter designing before implementing a control algorithm. As mentioned in the above section, quad-copter is a system which is under-actuated. Because there are six degrees of freedoms in the quad-copter, but it has four rotors to control the movements. The six degrees of freedoms can be divided into two as, translation movements (along the x-axis, y-axis and z-axis) and rotational angles ( $\varphi$  - roll,  $\theta$  - pitch and  $\psi$  - yaw). This section is used to give a brief introduction about the quad-copter model dynamics.

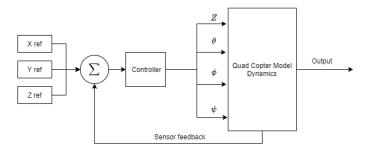


Fig. 1. Quad-Copter Controller

Since there are two types of freedoms, the kinematics can be divided into two sections as well. As referenced in [18], the translation kinematics (1) and rotational kinematics (2) can be presented as the following equations.

$$\dot{\xi} = R.V_b \tag{1}$$

$$\dot{\eta} = R_r.\mho_b \tag{2}$$

Here absolute linear velocity vector is presented as  $\dot{\xi}$  and it can be expressed as  $\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} & \dot{y} & \dot{z} \end{bmatrix}$ . Linear velocity is expressed using  $V_b$  and it can be presented as  $\begin{bmatrix} U & V & W \end{bmatrix}^T \in \mathbb{R}^3$ . R can be given as:

$$R_r = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & s_{\varphi}t_{\theta} & c_{\varphi}t_{\theta} \\ 0 & c_{\varphi} & -s_{\varphi} \\ 0 & \frac{s_{\varphi}}{c_{\theta}} & \frac{c_{\varphi}}{c_{\theta}} \end{bmatrix}$$
(3)

where euler angle derivatives can be presented as  $t_{\theta} = \tan \theta$ ,  $\dot{\eta} = \begin{bmatrix} \dot{\varphi} & \dot{\theta} & \dot{\psi} \end{bmatrix}^T \in \mathbb{R}^T$ 

As in [24], the rotor forces can be expressed as in (4) and the model dynamics can be represented using (5).

$$f_i = b.\omega_i^2 \tag{4}$$

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x} = u \\ \dot{y} = v \\ \dot{z} = w \end{cases}$$

$$\dot{u} = (c_{\varphi}s_{\theta}c_{\psi} + s_{\varphi}s_{\psi})\frac{T}{m}$$

$$\dot{v} = (c_{\varphi}s_{\theta}c_{\psi} - s_{\varphi}c_{\psi})\frac{T}{m}$$

$$\dot{w} = (c_{\varphi}c_{\theta})\frac{T}{m} - g$$

$$\dot{\varphi} = p + s_{\varphi}t_{\theta}q + c_{\varphi}t_{\theta}r$$

$$\dot{\theta} = c_{\varphi}q - s_{\varphi}r$$

$$\dot{\theta} = c_{\varphi}q - s_{\varphi}r$$

$$\dot{\psi} = \frac{s_{\varphi}}{c_{\theta}}q + \frac{c_{\varphi}}{c_{\theta}}r$$

$$\dot{p} = \frac{T_{x}}{j_{x}} + \frac{j_{y} - j_{z}}{j_{y}}qr$$

$$\dot{p} = \frac{T_{y}}{j_{y}} + \frac{j_{z} - j_{y}}{j_{y}}pq$$

$$\dot{r} = \frac{T_{z}}{j_{z}} + \frac{j_{x} - j_{y}}{j_{z}}pq$$
(5)

In (4), rotor thrust is denoted as b and angular velocities are  $\omega$ . The inertia matrix of the quad copter is denoted as j and  $j_x, j_y$  and  $j_z$  are the moments of inertia in (5).

## B. Proportional Integral and Derivative (PID) control

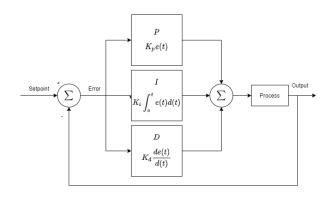


Fig. 2. Classical PID Controller

PID control is the most commonly used control technology in control engineering. This section aims to give a brief introduction about the PID controllers. It is said that PID controllers are the workhorse of the modern process control systems [25]. PID controllers are made with three components such as proportional, integral and derivative. The basic structure of the PID controller in a system is shown in Fig. 2. As shown in the figure, the output is controlled by three parameters (P, I, D). Generally, PID controllers are closed-loop controllers. Therefore, the error e(t) is calculated using the feedback path and the setpoint to control the system. In the figure,  $K_p, K_i$  and  $K_d$  are the gains of proportional, integral and derivative respectively.

The tuning of theses gains is challenging. Hence, many researchers have proposed several types of PID tuning methods. Some of them are; trial and error Method [26], Zeigler-Nichols Method [27], Cohen-Coon method [28], Tyreus-Luyben method [29] and autotune method. Moreover, there are some software-based tuning methods such as MATLAB PID tuning [30].

#### C. ANFIS

In 1978, L.A. Zadeh [31] introduced Fuzzy Logic Controllers (FLC). Since then, it has evolved to a significant level. The recent evolution of FLC is ANFIS. ANFIS is based on two well-known algorithms such as FLC and the ANN. Jang in 1993 [32] proposed ANFIS as a machine learning algorithm. In this section, a brief introduction about ANFIS is presented.

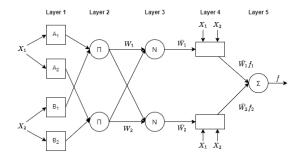


Fig. 3. ANFIS Architecture

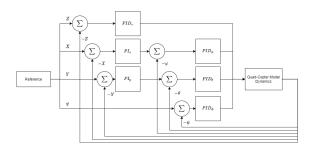


Fig. 4. PID control of Quad-Copter

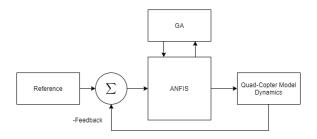


Fig. 5. GA-ANFIS control of Quad-Copter

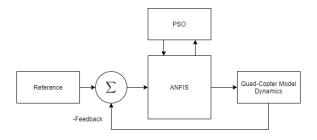


Fig. 6. PSO-ANFIS control of Quad-Copter

Fig. 3 shows the general structure of the ANFIS algorithm. ANFIS possess all the advantages of the ANN and the FLC

- [33]. Generally, ANFIS is a five-layer structure as shown the figure. Each layer is explained in brief below.
  - Layer 1: The first layer is called the fuzzification layer. Here, the memberships are generated for each inputs using the standard membership functions as in (6).

$$O_{1,i} = \begin{cases} \mu_{Ai}(X_1) \\ \mu_{Bi}(X_2) \end{cases} \tag{6}$$

where, linguistic labels are denoted as  $A_i$  and  $B_i$  while node function is denoted as i. There are three commonly used membership functions such as triangular (7), trapezoidal (8) and gaussian (9).

$$\mu_{Ai} = max(min(\frac{x - a_i}{b_i - a_i}, \frac{c_i - x}{c_i - b_i}), 0), i = 1, 2$$
 (7)

$$\mu_{Ai} = max(min(\frac{x - a_i}{b_i - a_i}, 1, \frac{d_i - x}{d_i - c_i}), 0), i = 1, 2 \quad (8)$$

$$\mu_{Ai} = exp(-\frac{(x-c_i)^2}{\sigma_1^2}), i = 1, 2$$
 (9)

Here,  $a_i, b_i, c_i, d_i$  and  $\sigma_i$  are premise parameters.

• Layer 2: This later is called the rule layer. As in (10), the firing strength w of the each rule is generated by multiplying  $\mu_{Ai}(x_1)$  and  $\mu_{Bi}(x_2)$ .

$$O_{2,j} = w_j = \mu_{Ai}(x_1) \times \mu_{Bi}(x_2)$$
 (10)

where j is the number of the rule.

 Layer 3: This is the normalization layer. The main objective of this later is to generate the third output by normalization by firing strength of the each corresponding rule. Normalization can be expressed as in (11).

$$O_{3,j} = \bar{w}_j = \frac{w_j}{\sum w_i}, j = 1, 2, ..., n$$
 (11)

Layer 4: This layer is responsible for the defuzzification.
 Consequent parameters (p<sub>j</sub>, q<sub>j</sub>, r<sub>j</sub>) are used here as in (12) to do the defuzzification of the previously generated normalized firing strengths w̄<sub>j</sub>.

$$O_{4,j} = \bar{w_j} f_j = \bar{w_j} (p_j x_1 + q_j x_2 + r_j)$$
 (12)

• Layer 5: This is the output layer. Sum of all incoming inputs gives the overall output as in (13).

$$O_{5,1} = \sum_{j=1}^{n} \bar{w_j} f_j \tag{13}$$

## D. Fitness Function

The relative importance of a design can be expressed using a fitness function. Determining the best fitness function for a certain system is a assuring way to collect better results. The most common way to describe a fitness function is using a cost function as shown in (14) [34].

$$F_i = (1 + \varepsilon)f_{max} - f_i \tag{14}$$

where, the cost function is denoted as  $f_i$  for the ith design,  $f_{max}$  is max cost and  $\varepsilon$  is used to eliminate the difficulty of  $F_i$  being zero. Considering the quad copter control, Integral of Time multiplied by Absolute Error (ITAE) is most used method in determining a fitness function. The adjusting time and the overshoot is indicated by ITAE. These characteristics reflects the accuracy and the rapidity of the control system. It is scientifically proven that (15) gives the performance index of a quad copter control [35].

$$J_{ITAE} = \int_0^\infty t. |e(t)| dt$$
 (15)

# E. Genetic Algorithms (GA)

The inspirations of Genetic Algorithms (GA) are natural selections and biological process. There are several versions of GA in the literature. This section gives a brief introduction about GA and its construction.

GA is an optimization algorithm which tries to find the optimum solution in a solution space by iterations. First, the search for the best solution starts with a randomly generated population in the solution space. In order to continue with the iterations, GA proceed with three operators namely, selection, crossover and mutation [36].

The principle of "Survival of the Fittest" imitates the first operation "Selection". Considering the current design set which is also called the population, this process is predisposition towards the better fit members. In (16), this process is expressed in mathematically [34].

$$P_{i} = \frac{F_{i}}{Q}; Q = \sum_{i=1}^{N_{p}} F_{j}$$
 (16)

Here,  $F_i$  is the fitness value.  $N_p$  is the number of members in the population and  $P_i$  is the probability of the selection.

The second operator "Crossover" is about the mating in biological population. There are several crossover methods in completing this operation such as single-point crossover, two-point and k-point crossover, uniform crossover. Crossover helps to sustain the good solutions and remove the bad solutions and move on with the new population to the next generation. Diversity in characteristics of the population is done by the last operator "Mutation". Mutation helps to escape from the local minima and propagate to the global minima.

Generally, GA encodes the design into bits of ones and zeros. Hence, GA is well known for discrete designs because of this behaviour of the algorithm.

## F. Particle Swarm Optimization (PSO)

This section is used to describe the PSO algorithm in brief. PSO is firstly introduced in 1997 [37] by the inspirations of birds flocking. PSO is also an optimization algorithm which tries to move in the solution space to find the best solution possible called global minima. PSO also operates in three steps namely, positions and velocity generations for each particle, updating the velocities and updating the positions. PSO also uses iterations to complete the search. The first step of the

TABLE I MODEL PARAMETERS OF THE QUAD COPTER

Description	Value
Gravitational Acceleration (g)	$9.81ms^{-2}$
Quad copter mass (m)	$0.65 \ kg$
Distance from center to motor (l)	0.23m
About x axis moment of inertia (jx)	$0.0075 kgm^2$
About y axis moment of inertia (jy)	$0.0075 kgm^2$
About z axis moment of inertia (jz)	$0.013kgm^2$
Force constant of propellers (k)	$0.0000313Ns^2$
Torque constant of propellers (d)	$0.00000075Ns^2$

PSO is to generate random population with random positions and velocities as in (17) and (18).

$$\boldsymbol{x}_0^i = \boldsymbol{x}_{min} + rand(\boldsymbol{x}_{max} - \boldsymbol{x}_{min}) \tag{17}$$

$$\mathbf{v}_{0}^{i} = \frac{\mathbf{x}_{min} + rand(\mathbf{x}_{max} - \mathbf{x}_{min})}{\Delta t} = \frac{position}{time}$$
 (18)

where  $x_{min}$  and  $x_{max}$  are the lower and upper bounds respectively.

At each iteration, the velocities and positions are updated as in the following equations (19)(20).

$$\boldsymbol{v}_{k+1}^{i} = w \boldsymbol{v}_{k}^{i} + c_{1} rand \frac{p^{i} - \boldsymbol{x}_{k}^{i}}{\Delta t} + c_{2} rand \frac{p_{k}^{g} - \boldsymbol{x}_{k}^{i}}{\Delta t}$$
 (19)

$$\boldsymbol{x}_{k+1}^{i} = \boldsymbol{x}_{k}^{i} + \boldsymbol{v}_{k+1}^{i} \Delta t \tag{20}$$

where,  $v_{k+1}^i$  is the velocity of the particle i at time k+1, w is the inertia factor,  $wv_k^i$  is the current motion,  $c_1$  is the self confidence,  $c_1rand\frac{p^i-x_k^i}{\Delta t}$  is the particle memory influence,  $c_2$  is the swarm confidence and  $c_2rand\frac{p_k^g-x_k^i}{\Delta t}$  is the swarm influence.  $p^i$  is the pbest position of the particle i. Each particle keeps swam in the coordinates solution space, which is associated with the best solution (fitness) that has achieved. This value is called the personal best(pbest). Another  $p^g$  is the gbest position. The best value that is taken by the PSO, is the best value obtained by all particles. This value is called the global best (gbest).

### III. METHODOLOGY

The above-introduced control algorithms were implemented using SIMULINK environment in MATLAB. The quad-copter dynamics are shown in Table I.

Quad-copter is a system which has six controllers for each degree of freedoms namely, pitch  $(\varphi)$ , roll  $(\theta)$  and yaw  $(\psi)$  Euler angles and X, Y and Z position coordinates. Hence, the initial system is designed to use six PID controllers  $(PID_{\varphi}, PID_{\theta}, PID_{\psi}, PI_X, PI_Y, PID_Z)$ . The overall view of the PID based quad-copter system is presented in Fig. 4. Note that, X and Y PI controllers are placed in cascaded with  $\theta$  and  $\psi$  PID controllers respectively.

The PID tuning was done using the Zeigler-Nichols method [27]. Each PID controller was tuned starting with the altitude controller (Z) separately. The Table II shows all tuned parameters used in the PID controllers.

TABLE II
ALL PID PARAMETERS (ZEIGLER-NICHOLS)

1		X	Y	Z	$\varphi$	θ	$\psi$
ĺ	$K_p$	0.2	0.2	0.6	0.51	0.51	0.105
ĺ	$K_i$	0.1	0.1	0.35	0.81	0.81	0.005
ĺ	$K_d$	0.0	0.0	0.43	0.81	0.81	0.005

TABLE III GA PARAMETERS

Iterations	100
Population Size	40
Crossover Percentage	50% Uniform crossover
Mutation Percentage	0.5%
Number of Mutants	20
Gamma $(\gamma)$	0.2
<b>Mutation Rate</b> (μ)	0.1
<b>Selection Pressure</b> $(\beta)$	8

Using the above tuned PID parameters, the output response was collected against the input and recorded for the ANFIS algorithm training.

The recorded data were divided into two segments as training and testing at the ratio of 70% and 30%. *Genfis2* function in MATLAB is used as the initial membership function generation in FIS. The training was conducted offline and then the error was observed by the testing phase.

GA and PSO were used to optimize the FISs which were initially generated using ANFIS algorithm. These two optimization algorithms were used in the optimal parameter settings as mentioned in the literature [38]. The parameter setting of the GA and PSO is shown the Table III and IV.

Designing of the GA-ANFIS and PSO-AFNIS controllers were performed as in the following pseudo-codes. Algorithm 1 shows the main steps in tuning the FIS parameters using GA. As introduced before, the tree main operations were implemented to search for the best solution in the solution space. The overall representation of the GA-ANFIS algorithm in the quad-copter system is shown in Fig. 5.

The construction of PSO-ANFIS is presented in Algorithm 2. First, the initial FIS is generated using ANFIS algorithm and then PSO is used to tune the FIS parameters furthermore. The overall representation of the PSO-ANFIS algorithm in the quad-copter system is shown in Fig. 6.

# IV. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The experiments were conducted using two different simulations such as altitude response measurement and way-point navigator to find out the effectiveness of the corresponding

TABLE IV PSO parameters

Iterations	100
Population Size	40
Inertia Weight (w)	0.5
Inertia Weight Damping ratio	0.99
Personal Learning Coeffition $(c_1)$	1.5
Global Learning Coeffition $(c_2)$	1.5

## **Algorithm 1:** GA-ANFIS optimization

Result: Optimized GA-FIS

Initial FIS:

## begin

Data acquisition from PID controllers;

Random Partitioning of data as training and testing; Initial Fuzzy Inference System (FIS) generation using the training set;

#### end

GA tuning;

## begin

Selection;

Crossover;

Mutation;

## end

Store the best cost and best solution;

Update the FIS;

# **Algorithm 2:** PSO-ANFIS optimization

**Result:** Optimized PSO-FIS

Initial FIS:

## begin

Data acquisition from PID controllers;

Random Partitioning of data as training and testing; Initial Fuzzy Inference System (FIS) generation using the training set;

#### end

PSO tuning;

#### begin

Generate Random Population;

Velocity update;

Position update;

#### end

Store the best cost and best solution;

Update the FIS;

TABLE V
RMSE OF EACH ANFIS CONTROLLERS

Error	Algorithm	Pitch	$Roll \times 10^{-5}$	$Yaw \times 10^{-8}$	Z
	ANFIS	0.000124	2.889	1.755	0.00434
RMSE	GA-ANFIS	0.000122	2.784	1.594	0.00337
	PSO-ANFIS	0.000112	2.782	1.585	0.00198

TABLE VI
TRAINING TIME OF EACH ANFIS CONTROLLERS

	Algorithm	Pitch	Roll	Yaw	Z
Time(s)	GA-ANFIS	705.32	696.32	705.90	697.97
	PSO-ANFIS	588.03	593.22	596.57	572.88

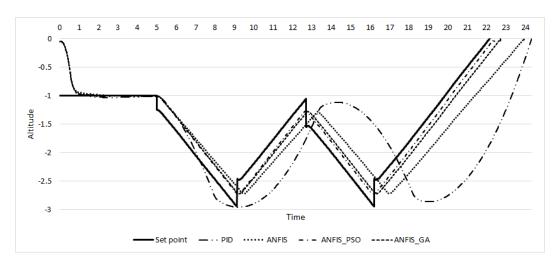


Fig. 7. Altitude Response

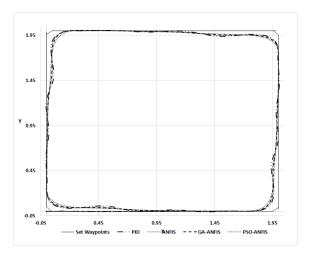


Fig. 8. Way-point Follower

Fig. 9. Change in X coordinates (I)

control algorithms. The results were obtained for PID, ANFIS, GA-ANFIS and PSO-ANFIS.

As the first simulation test, the altitude response was measured. A MATLAB simulation was designed to change the altitude for 22 seconds. The set coordinates were given in the z-axis which is the altitude in this system. The results can be presented in the Fig. 7.

As shown in this figure, PID, ANFIS, PSO-ANFIS and GA-ANFIS performance of obtaining the desired setpoints are shown. When compare the PID response with the other three ANFIS algorithms, the ANFIS based systems show a smoother and more accurate response. It is also clear to mention that the response delay is much larger in the PID controller than ANFIS controllers.

Among the ANFIS controllers, such as ANFIS, GA-ANFIS and PSO-ANFIS, the best results were given by the PSO-ANFIS controller.

The next simulation was conducted to obtain the performance in X and Y axis navigation. In

this simulation, five set points were defined as (0,0,-1),(2,0,-1),(2,2,-1),(0,2,-1),(0,0,-1). Here, the first second and third coordinates are X,Y and Z respectively. The altitude kept in a constant level at 1m and X and Y coordinates were changed accordingly. The results are presented using Figs. 8, 9, 10, 11, and 12.

Fig. 8 shows the total way-point navigation of the drone in X and Y plane. Fig. 9 and Fig. 10 are the closeup views of two instances in X coordinate variations. As in these figures, it is clear that the PSO-ANFIS gives better performance in less overshoot and faster stability. Y coordinate variations are shown in the Fig. 11 and Fig. 12. Here, the results are similar to the X coordinate variations. The numerical data for steady state errors for the PID, ANFIS, GA-ANFIS and PSO-ANFIS are 0.00861, 0.00212, 0.00106, and 0.00009 respectively. The Rising times are 9s, 8.73s, 8.69s and 9.12s accordingly.

The results in Figs. 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, and 12 proves the superi-

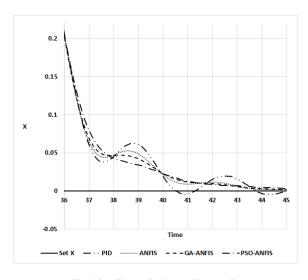


Fig. 10. Change in X coordinates (II)

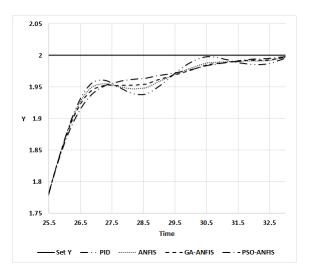


Fig. 11. Change in Y coordinates (I)

ority of PSO-ANFIS and GA-ANFIS over Conventional AN-FIS and PID controllers. Both the nature inspired algorithms (GA-ANFIS and PSO-ANFIS) shows better performance than the ANFIS and traditional PID controllers.

Moreover, the Table V shows the Root Mean Squared Error (RMSE) for each controller. It can be observed that PSO-ANFIS and GA-ANFIS show very similar results. However, PSO has less error and faster stability than GA. This may be caused due to the following differences in the considered algorithms [39].

The inbuilt guidance mechanism in PSO causes faster convergence. But in GA, there is no dedicated guidance mechanism. Only when the particles participate in the crossover, the better solutions converge. PSO handles two populations at a time, namely, *pbest* (personal best) and *current positions*. This key feature helps the PSO to re-navigate in the solution space if the solution is moving towards an unwanted path. GA does not handle two populations. Hence this becomes a huge

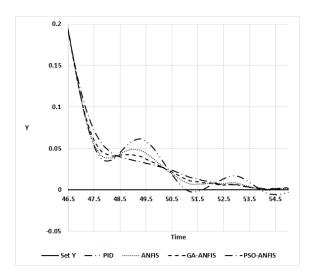


Fig. 12. Change in Y coordinates (II)

advantage in solution exploration. The algorithm construction of the PSO is purely mathematical while the GA has non-mathematical operations such as crossover operation. This gives the benefit of less time consumption in PSO than GA and it can be seen as in the Table VI.

#### V. CONCLUSION AND FUTURE WORKS

In this paper, performance analysis is conducted to compare the results among the evolution of ANFIS controllers with optimization algorithms such as GA and PSO. A quad-copter is used here for the control application. We have also used the traditional PID controller for initial tuning of all other algorithms and then individually optimized the rest. The experiments were conducted as simulations. Two simulations such as altitude test and way-point follower were used to obtain the response in X, Y and Z axis navigation. As shown in the results section in this paper, the PSO-ANFIS algorithm outperforms all the other control algorithms. Both of the simulations show that the PSO-ANFIS is better in quad-copter applications because it has lesser overshoot and stabilizes faster than the other algorithms used here. As for the future objective, the implementation in real-time and performance analysis can be indicated.

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