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RESEARCH INTERESTS

1. Machine learning for MPC
2. Nonlinear model predictive control
3. Embedded systems
4. Optimization
5. Reinforcement Learning

EDUCATION

PhD Student, Engineering Cybernetics   *Sep'19–Sep'22*

- Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU), Norway

  – Supervisor: Prof. Sebastian Gros

Master of Technology, Instrumentation and Control   *Aug'17–June'19*

- College of Engineering Pune, India

  – Thesis Title: *Learning Based Model Predictive Control*
  – Supervisor: Prof. Dayaram Sonawane
  – CGPA: 8.16

Bachelor of Engineering, Instrumentation and Control   *Aug'13–June'17*

- University of Pune, India

  – Project Title: *System Identification and PID Control of PMDC Motor using* MAT-LAB *and LabVIEW*
  – Supervisor: Dr. Milind Bongulwar
  – Mention: First Class with Distinction | Percentage: 69.67

WORK EXPERIENCE

Trainee Engineer   *June'19–August'19*

- Aker Solution, Pune, India.

  – Post Graduate Trainee Engineer in the Application Engineering department.
  – Developed automated method for testing of the subsea module used in offshore oil fields.

PUBLICATIONS

Articles in international conferences
2021

- **Adhau S.**, Naik Vihang, and Skogestad S., "Constrained Neural Networks for Approximate Nonlinear Model Predictive Control", *submitted to* 60th *IEEE conference on Decision and Control (CDC).*

- Mohanty N. R., **Adhau S.**, Ingole D., and Sonawane D., "Hardware Implementation of Low-complexity Deep Learning-based Model Predictive Controller", *accepted for presentation and publication in the proceedings of the* 2021 *European Control Conference (ECC).*

2019

- **Adhau S.**, Patil S., Ingole D., Sonawane D., "Embedded Implementation of Deep Learning-Based Linear Model Predictive Control", *in Proceedings of* 6th *Indian Control Conference*, IEEE, Hyderabad, India, 2019.

- **Adhau S.**, Patil S., Ingole D., and Sonawane D., "Implementation and Analysis of Nonlinear Model Predictive Controller on Embedded Systems for Real-Time Applications", *in Proceedings of the* 17th *European Control Conference (ECC'19)*, IFAC and IEEE, Naples, Italy, 2019.

2018

- **Adhau S.**, Phalke K., Nalawade A., Ingole D., Patil S., Sonawane D., "Implementation and Analysis of Offset-Free Explicit Model Predictive Controller on FPGA", *in Proceedings of* 5th *Indian Control Conference*, IEEE, Delhi, India, 2018.

THEORETICAL BACKGROUND

- **Machine Learning:** physics-informed ML, deep learning, classification and regression trees, clustering

- **Systems Modeling:** differential equations, linear, nonlinear, hybrid systems, data-driven

- **Control Design:** model predictive control (MPC), learning-based control

- **Optimisation:** linear (LP), quadratic (QP), nonlinear programming (NLP)

INTERNSHIP EXPERIENCE

Bosch Chassis Systems India Pvt. Limited, Chakan, Pune. *June'15 - July'15*

- Worked with the TeF department towards maintenance and predictive safety standards.

- Carried out analysis of Mean Time To Repair (MTTR) and Mean Time Between Repair (MTBR) on the assembly lines (NOAH, Line 51, TMC line).

POSITIONS OF RESPONSIBILITY

- **Co–supervisor for master's theses student at the Department of Chemical Engineering, NTNU.** *Autumn 2020*

- **Coordinator for 3rd Winter School.** *Dec'18*

  – Served as convener and co–ordinator of 3rd **Winter School on Optimization and Optimal Control – A Data–based Approach** at Embedded Systems Lab, COEP.

- **Teaching Assistant.** *July'18–Dec'18*

  – Served as TA for **Microcontroller Techniques and Its Applications** fand **Embedded System Design** which was a special course.

AWARDS AND FUNDING

- Project accepted for oral presentation in **MATLAB Expo'19.** *May'19*

- Student support program for Indian Control Conference – IIT Delhi. *Jan'19*

- Xilinx University Program for researchers – Pynq development board and software. *Sep'18*

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- **Programming languages:** Python, MATLAB, C, LaTeX.

- **Data Science Tools:** PyTorch, TensorFlow, NumPy, Pandas, SciPy, Matplotlib, Scikit-learn, Matlab Statistics and Machine Learning Toolbox

- **Control Tools:** Matlab toolboxes (Simulink, Stateflow, System Identification, MPT3, MPC, Control Systems), CasADi.

- **Development:** Atmel Studio, Vivado, MPLAB X, HDL coder, LabView, Arduino IDE, Linux.

- **Toolboxes:** Protoip, MPT toolbox, ACADO Toolkit, CasADi, FORCES, GRAMPC.

- **Version Control and Code Management:** GitHub, GitLab, Google Colab, Jupyter notebooks.

PROJECTS

- **Deep Neural Networks based Linear MPC**

  – Trained highly nonlinear and linear models using neural networks, to mimic the original model.
  – Neural networks were trained to behave as Linear model predictive controller to reduce the online optimization and guarantee safety.
  – The designed neural network was also implemented on ARM Cortex-M3 to prove the usability in embedded devices.

- **Implementation of nonlinear MPC on ARM Cortex-M3 and FPGA**

  – Successfully implemented nonlinear MPC on for the first time ARM Cortex-M3 and FPGA using GRAMPC and ACADO toolkit

- The performance of NMPC controller was rigorously tested using HIL simulations in MAT-LAB
- Designed framework for easy implementation of NMPC on micro-controllers and FPGA.

- **Linear and explicit MPC on ARM Cortex-M3 and FPGA**

  - Implemented Interior Point Method, Active Set Method and KWIK Algorithm for linear MPC on Arm Cortex-M3
  - Validated the designed MPC on DC motor using HIL simulation for real-time using Simulink coder.
  - Implemented Explicit MPC using MPT toolbox, Hybrid toolbox and MATLAB based toolbox on micro-controllers and validated the same on actual plant
  - The same framework was also validated and detailed analysis were carried out on FPGA Zedboard.

- **Auto-tuning of PID controller using optimization method**

  - Evaluated optimization algorithm SQP for auto-tuning of PID controller
  - Verified values of K_p, K_i and K_d parameters using run-time optimization in MAT-LAB/Simulink.

- **Parameter Estimation and Position control of PMDC motor**

  - Validated PMDC motor model using parameter estimation
  - Implemented SQP algorithm in MATLAB for parameter estimation
  - Implemented and tested PID controller for position and speed control on ARM Cortex-M3 micro-controller

- **System Identification and PID Control**

  - System identification for an unknown DC motor was done using System Identification toolbox of MATLAB
  - Verified the system by passing through various linear and non-linear signals for accurate system model
  - PID tuning using Zeigler Nicholas and Cohen-Coon methods for speed control of the DC motor using identified state-space model
  - Implemented PID controller on 8-bit micro-controller using plain C code, MATLAB based embedded coder and in LabVIEW using toolbox for VISA protocol.

CERTIFICATES

- Hands-on CasADi course on Optimal Control, Hasselt, Belgium [Link]   *Nov'19*

- Winter School on Optimization and Optimal Control - A Data-based Approach.   *Dec'18*

PERSONAL DETAILS

- Citizenship: Indian

- Current Residence: Trondheim, Norway

- Languages: English - Fluent, Norwegian - Level 1

- Date of Birth: 29 May 1995