Adaptive control of electric vehicle drives through neural network ensembles

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Abstract. This study examines the use of neural network ensembles in adaptive control for electric vehicle (EV) propulsion systems, using simulated data to evaluate their efficacy. The research aims to evaluate the collective performance of a group, analyze the characteristics of electric vehicle drives, examine the feedback from adaptive control systems, and analyze the data used to train neural networks in order to get a thorough understanding of the subject. The results demonstrate the resilience of neural network ensembles in predictive modeling, with mean squared error values ranging from 0.0028 to 0.0042 and R-squared scores between 0.979 and 0.992. An examination of electric vehicle (EV) driving characteristics reveals differences in battery capacity (ranging from 60 to 85 kWh) and motor efficiency (ranging from 85% to 95%). Notably, there are correlations that demonstrate the influence of weight on the needs for battery capacity. An analysis of the feedback parameters in adaptive control reveals speed inaccuracies ranging from -1.8 to -3.2 km/h, battery voltage errors between 1.5 and 2.8 V, temperature mistakes ranging from 1.2 to 2.5°C, and variations in the control signal. This highlights the significant impact these factors have on the adjustments made by the control system. Moreover, examination of the training data for neural networks emphasizes the significance of having a wide range of inputs (0.3-0.9) and the intricate connections between inputs and outputs (0.6-0.95). In summary, these findings highlight the ability of neural network ensembles to improve predictive accuracy, comprehend the dynamics of EV systems, and emphasize the importance of accurate feedback and high-quality training data for effective adaptive control strategies in electric vehicles. These insights are valuable for advancing EV technology and control methodologies.

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1 Introduction

Electric vehicles (EVs) are a viable and ecologically beneficial substitute for traditional internal combustion engine cars. They greatly reduce greenhouse gas emissions and decrease
reliance on fossil fuels. The progress of electric vehicle technology depends on the effective management of their propulsion systems, guaranteeing the best possible performance, energy efficiency, and dependability.

Adaptive control techniques are crucial in improving the economy and overall performance of electric vehicle drives. Conventional control techniques often encounter difficulties when confronted with the intricate and non-linear dynamics that are inherent in electric propulsion systems. In order to tackle these difficulties, the use of artificial intelligence (AI) and machine learning methods, namely neural network ensembles, has received considerable interest and shown encouraging outcomes in improving the flexibility and resilience of control systems in several fields.[1]–[5]

This research specifically examines the use of neural network ensembles for adaptive control in electric vehicle propulsion systems. Neural network ensembles have the benefit of merging many neural networks, therefore using varied modeling skills and enhancing overall performance in comparison to individual networks. The flexibility of these ensembles enables immediate modifications to evolving operating circumstances, making them highly suitable for the dynamic and non-linear characteristics of electric car drive systems.[6]–[10]

The main goal of this study is to examine the effectiveness of using several neural networks together to improve the control of electric vehicle drives. This involves investigating their capacity to comprehend intricate connections among different aspects, including battery properties, motor efficacy, vehicle dynamics, and environmental influences that influence performance. Moreover, the objective of this research is to assess the ensemble's effectiveness in adaptive control situations, specifically in relation to feedback signals concerning velocity, battery level, temperature, and other relevant factors.[11]–[15]

Integrating neural network ensembles into adaptive control systems for electric cars has the potential to significantly enhance the efficiency, dependability, and flexibility of these vehicles. This project aims to use machine learning and neural networks to build intelligent and adaptive control techniques for electric cars. These strategies are important for the broad acceptance and growth of electric vehicles in the automotive sector.

2 Literature review

The use of adaptive control methods, namely using neural networks, has generated substantial attention in improving the efficiency and performance of electric vehicle (EV) propulsion systems. Several research have investigated the use of adaptive control approaches to tackle the intricate and nonlinear characteristics of electric vehicle (EV) systems. The objective is to enhance energy efficiency, maximize driving range, and assure vehicle safety.[16]–[20]

Adaptive control techniques have been extensively researched to address the dynamic characteristics of electric vehicles (EVs). Conventional control systems often face difficulties in handling the complex and unpredictable behavior of electric vehicle drives, prompting researchers to investigate adaptive strategies. These strategies strive to dynamically modify control settings by using real-time feedback and system conditions. Neural networks have become a viable method for adaptive control in electric vehicles owing to its capacity to approximate intricate tasks and adjust to changing circumstances.

Neural Network Ensembles: Neural network ensembles, including numerous individual networks operating in collaboration, provide benefits compared to single networks. These collections may capture many characteristics of the system and provide enhanced precision and resilience. Research in several fields has shown that ensemble approaches are beneficial in dealing with uncertainty and improving predicting skills.[21]–[25]
Neural networks have been used in previous studies to address many issues of electric vehicle (EV) driving. These applications include battery status estimate, motor control, powertrain optimization, and fault detection. Neural networks have shown potential in representing intricate connections between input variables and system outputs, resulting in improved control techniques and prediction skills for electric vehicles.[26]–[30]

Obstacles and Opportunities: Although neural networks have significant promise in adaptive control for electric vehicles, there are still persistent obstacles. These factors include the need for a substantial amount of training data, the intricacy of computational processes, and the comprehensibility of the network's decision-making. Furthermore, the incorporation of neural network-driven adaptive control into EV systems that operate in real-time necessitates the resolution of concerns pertaining to latency and dependability.[31]–[35]

Recent Advancements: Recent research has been concentrated on hybrid control systems that integrate neural networks with conventional control algorithms in order to use the advantages of both methods. Furthermore, researchers have investigated improvements in reinforcement learning and online learning methods to augment the flexibility and efficiency of control systems in electric vehicles (EVs).

To summarize, the research demonstrates an increasing interest in using neural networks and adaptive control techniques to improve the effectiveness, flexibility, and resilience of electric vehicle propulsion systems. Although there has been notable development, further study is necessary to tackle obstacles and investigate inventive alternatives, guaranteeing the effective use of these methods in actual electric vehicle systems.

### 3 Methodology

This research utilizes a methodical approach to examine the effectiveness of neural network ensembles in adaptive control for electric vehicle propulsion systems. The research framework has many interrelated stages to get thorough analysis and validation.

#### 3.1 Data collection and preprocessing

For the purpose of training and assessing neural network ensembles, we gather pertinent data on electric vehicle characteristics, driving dynamics, control signals, and feedback information. Diverse sources, including simulations, experimental settings, and publicly accessible datasets, are used in relation to electric vehicle (EV) drives. The gathered data is subjected to preprocessing to address any missing values, standardize features, and guarantee suitability for training and testing the ensemble models of the neural network.

#### 3.2 Designing an ensemble of neural networks

An assortment of neural networks is created to accurately represent the intricate and nonlinear nature of electric car driving systems. The ensemble investigates many neural network topologies, including feedforward neural networks, recurrent neural networks, and convolutional neural networks, as base learners. Ensemble methods like as bagging, boosting, or stacking are used to merge the outputs of separate networks.

#### 3.3 Training and validation

The dataset is partitioned into training, validation, and testing sets. The neural network ensemble models are trained by using the training data and implementing suitable optimization
methods and loss functions. Hyperparameter optimization and cross-validation methods are used to improve model performance and mitigate overfitting. The validation set is used to optimize model parameters and determine the most effective ensemble design.

3.4 Simulation of Adaptive Control

Simulation scenarios are created to replicate real-time adaptive control conditions for electric car drives. The trained neural network ensembles are incorporated into adaptive control loops, incorporating feedback data pertaining to velocity, battery condition, temperature, and other pertinent factors. The effectiveness of the ensemble-based adaptive control techniques is evaluated across different operating circumstances and dynamic situations.

3.5 Assessment of Performance

The performance of the neural network ensemble-based adaptive control is evaluated using quantitative measures such as mean squared error, accuracy, convergence rate, and control signal deviations. Comparative evaluations may be performed to evaluate the superiority of the ensemble methodology in adapting to different situations and improving control accuracy, whether compared to conventional control techniques or single neural network approaches.

3.6 Analysis of Sensitivity and Testing for Robustness

Sensitivity analysis is conducted to evaluate the responsiveness of the neural network ensemble models to changes in input parameters and fluctuations in operating circumstances. Robustness testing is exposing the adaptive control system to perturbations, disturbances, or unanticipated events in order to assess its resilience and capacity to adjust in demanding conditions.

3.7 Analysis and Final Remarks

The results produced from the testing and analysis are interpreted to generate relevant conclusions about the efficacy and usefulness of using neural network ensembles for adaptive control in electric vehicle drives. This discussion is centered on the study outputs, providing insights into the benefits, constraints, and possible future advancements in improving adaptive control techniques in electric vehicles (EVs) via the use of neural network ensembles.

4 Results and analysis

The performance metrics derived from the neural network ensemble experiments were examined to evaluate the reliability and efficacy of the ensemble models. Throughout the experiments, the mean squared error (MSE) varied between 0.0028 and 0.0042, suggesting that the prediction errors were rather small. The R-squared scores regularly exhibited high values, ranging from 0.979 to 0.992, indicating the models' capacity to elucidate the variability in the data. The ensemble model exhibited a significant enhancement in predictive power, with an average improvement of roughly 15% in Mean Squared Error (MSE) and an increase of nearly 6% in R-squared compared to the baseline models.
Table 1. NEURAL NETWORK ENSEMBLE PERFORMANCE METRICS

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<th>Trial</th>
<th>Mean Squared Error</th>
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Fig. 1. Neural Network Ensemble Performance Metrics

An analysis was conducted on the metrics associated with electric vehicle drives, including battery capacity, motor efficiency, maximum speed, and weight, in order to identify any patterns or relationships. An assessment revealed a spectrum of battery capacities, spanning from 60 kWh to 85 kWh, while the efficiency of the motor exhibited a range of 85% to 95%. The investigation revealed a marginal percentage increase of about 28% in maximum speed and 13% in weight across various vehicle IDs. The correlation study revealed a modest positive association between battery capacity and vehicle weight, as anticipated, indicating the possible influence of weight on the ideal performance requirements for battery capacity.

Table 2. ELECTRIC VEHICLE DRIVE PARAMETERS

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<th>Vehicle ID</th>
<th>Battery Capacity (kWh)</th>
<th>Motor Efficiency (%)</th>
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<th>Weight (kg)</th>
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An analysis was conducted to assess the impact of various feedback factors, such as speed error, battery voltage error, temperature error, and control signal, on the performance of the adaptive control system. The speed inaccuracy varied between -3.2 \text{ km/h} and -1.8 \text{ km/h}, with an average percentage deviation of 21\%. The battery voltage inaccuracies displayed fluctuations ranging from 1.5 V to 2.8 V, while the temperature errors spanned from 1.2°C to 2.5°C. The control signal exhibited oscillations with an average percentage variation of 30\%. Examining the connections between these variables emphasized the importance of velocity and inaccuracies in the control signal for making modifications in an adaptive control system.

### Table 3. Adaptive Control Feedback Parameters

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<tr>
<th>Trial</th>
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Analyzed were the simulated training data utilized for training the ensemble models of neural networks, in order to comprehend the correlation between the input and output variables. The input variables had fluctuations ranging from 0.3 to 0.9, indicating a wide range...
of data points for training. The output variable had a broader range, spanning from 0.6 to 0.95, which suggests the intricate nature of the connection between inputs and outputs. The correlation study revealed a robust positive correlation between certain input variables and the output, highlighting the significance of certain inputs in properly predicting the outcome.

Table 4. NEURAL NETWORK TRAINING DATA

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Fig. 4. Neural Network Training Data

Summary: The examination of the collected data demonstrated that neural network ensembles are very successful in adapting control for electric vehicle drives. The ensemble models demonstrated superior predictive performance in comparison to individual models, manifesting decreased prediction errors and increased explanatory capability. Furthermore, the analysis of electric vehicle characteristics revealed possible connections between factors such as battery capacity and vehicle weight, underscoring the need of well planned design considerations. The examination of feedback parameters demonstrated their impact on the adaptive control system, highlighting the need of precise feedback for effective system modifications. Finally, the examination of the training data highlighted the significance of varied and relevant data for constructing resilient neural network ensemble models.

To summarize, the thorough examination of the collected data confirms the capability of neural network ensembles in adaptive control for electric vehicle drives. The results highlight the efficacy of predictive modeling, the relevance of different vehicle characteristics, the influence of feedback parameters on control systems, and the need of high-quality training data for the construction of robust models. These observations aid in the progress of adaptive control techniques, leading to improved performance and economy in electric cars.

5 Conclusion

The study on the use of neural network ensembles for adaptive control in electric vehicle drives has produced encouraging findings and implications for the progress of control techniques in the field of electric cars (EVs). The thorough examination and analysis of several
factors, such as performance metrics of neural network ensembles, parameters of electric vehicle drives, parameters of adaptive control feedback, and training data for neural networks, have yielded useful discoveries and directions for future study.

The evaluation of the performance indicators of the neural network ensemble models demonstrated their resilience and efficacy in prediction capacities. These models consistently shown low mean squared error levels, indicating their capacity to provide precise predictions. Furthermore, the high R-squared values indicate that the models have a strong ability to explain a significant amount of the variability in the data. This highlights the effectiveness of using neural network ensembles as a robust method for improving prediction accuracy in the field of EV drive systems.

The examination of electric vehicle driving characteristics revealed significant observations on the interconnections among essential variables that impact the performance of EVs. The interdependencies among these characteristics were emphasized by the variations in battery capacity, motor efficiency, maximum speed, and vehicle weight. The discovered correlations indicate that there are certain design factors to be considered, with a particular emphasis on the effect of weight on battery capacity needs and how it subsequently affects the performance of the vehicle.

An analysis of the adaptive control feedback parameters yielded crucial insights into their impact on control system modifications. The adaptive control system’s behavior is significantly influenced by speed mistakes, battery voltage errors, temperature errors, and control signals. Recognizing the necessity of exact feedback signals highlights the relevance of meticulous monitoring and modifications for optimum control system performance.

The examination of neural network training data emphasized the significance of high-quality and varied data in developing resilient models. The correlations between the input variables and the output variable revealed the intricacy of the underlying linkages inside the EV drive system. This underscores the need of integrating varied and pertinent inputs for the efficient training of neural network ensembles, guaranteeing their capacity to capture complex system dynamics.

Ultimately, the results of this study provide a substantial contribution to the field of adaptive control in electric vehicle propulsion systems. The effectiveness of using many neural networks together to improve the accuracy of predictions, the relationship between factors that drive electric vehicles, the influence of feedback on changes made by the control system, and the need of high-quality training data all highlight the potential for strengthening control techniques in electric vehicles. These findings provide a solid basis for future improvements in adaptive control techniques, which may boost the effectiveness, dependability, and efficiency of electric cars. This, in turn, contributes to the sustainable development of the automotive industry.

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