Sliding Mode Control and Soft Computing: Interplay and Integration

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Abstract

Sliding Mode Control has been extensively studied for many years and successfully applied to solving many industrial problems due to its simplicity and robustness in systems variations and disturbances. Despite of its extensive research, key technical problems such as chattering, disturbances and uncertainties, unmodeled dynamics, adaptive learning, robustness remain to be challenging research questions.

Soft Computing is a rather recent development in Intelligent Systems, which has provided alternative means for adaptive learning and control. Technologies in Soft Computing include Neural Networks, Fuzzy Logic, Evolutionary Computation, and Complex Systems.

Significant efforts have been devoted in recent years in integration of Sliding Mode Control and Soft Computing to overcome the aforementioned technical problems. On the other hand, Sliding Mode Control technologies have found their place in Soft Computing for improving learning efficiency and accuracy.

In this talk, we provide an overview of recent developments in these areas and discuss issues concerning the interplay and integration of Sliding Mode Control and Soft Computing.

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