

Fuzzy Logic Deadzone Compensation with Feedback Linearization of Nonlinear Systems

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Abstract

A fuzzy logic compensator is designed for feedback linearizable nonlinear systems with deadzone nonlinearity. The classification property of fuzzy logic systems makes them a natural candidate for the rejection of errors induced by the deadzone, which has regions in which it behaves differently. A tuning algorithm is given for the fuzzy logic parameters, so that the deadzone compensation scheme becomes adaptive, guaranteeing small tracking errors and bounded parameter estimates. Formal nonlinear stability proofs are given to show that the tracking error is small. The fuzzy logic deadzone compensator is simulated on a one-link robot system to show its efficacy.

Keywords

Deadzone Compensation, Feedback Linearization, Fuzzy Logic, Stability

1. Introduction

Very accurate control is required in mechanical devices such as xy positioning tables [1], overhead crane mechanisms [2], robot manipulators [3], etc. For many of these devices, the performance is limited by deadzone, friction, and backlash. Precise positioning, in particular, control of very small displacement is an especially difficult problem for micro positioning devices. Due to the non-analytic nature of the actuator nonlinearities and the fact that their exact parameters (e.g. width of deadzone) are unknown, such systems present a challenge for the control design engineer. A number of control strategies have been developed to overcome the problems caused by the deadzone effects. The most relevant published strategies are: deadzone compensation using neural networks [4] and variable structure control [5]. Control of gear transmission servo system with asymmetric deadzone nonlinearity is proposed in [6] and [7]. Compensa-

tion for nonsymmetrical deadzones is considered in [8] for nonlinear systems in Brunosky form with known nonlinear functions, and for unknown nonlinear canonical form systems in [9] where a backstepping approach is used. The use of fuzzy logic systems has accelerated in recent years in many areas, including feedback control [10]. Fuzzy logic deadzone compensation schemes are provided in [11] [12] [13]. Particularly important in fuzzy logic control are the universal function approximation capabilities of fuzzy logic systems [14] [15]. The fuzzy logic systems offer significant advantages over adaptive control, including no requirement for linearity in the parameters assumptions and no need to compute a regression matrix for each specific system. Actuator nonlinearities are typically defined in terms of piecewise linear functions according to the region to which the argument belongs. The fuzzy logic function approximation properties and ability of fuzzy logic systems to discriminate information based on regions of the input variables, make them an ideal candidate for compensation of non-analytic actuator nonlinearities.

In this paper, we present the deadzone compensation method for feedback linearizable nonlinear systems. In Section 2, a brief overview on the feedback linearization theory is given [16] [17]. The fuzzy deadzone compensation technique is described in Section 3. An adaptive fuzzy deadzone compensation scheme combined with a feedback linearizing control law is developed and analyzed in Section 4. Also, a practical bound on the tracking error from the tracking error dynamics is derived. The zero dynamics systems caused by joint damping are analyzed and shown to be bounded-input, bounded-state stable. Section 5, the fuzzy deadzone compensation is applied to control a single link manipulator with deadzone nonlinearity as well as joint flexibility and damping. In addition, we investigate the performance of the fuzzy logic deadzone compensation through the computer simulations.

2. Feedback Linearization

Feedback linearization has been proved to be a powerful tool in control of nonlinear systems. The Lie derivative [18] of two functions $h(x) \in R$ and $f(x) = [f_1(x), f_2(x), \dots, f_n(x)]^T \in R^n$, for $x \in R^n$, is defined as

$$L_f h = \frac{\partial h}{\partial x_1} f_1 + \dots + \frac{\partial h}{\partial x_n} f_n. \quad (1)$$

For $g(x) \in R^n$, and recursively with $L_f^0 h = h$, it follows that

$$L_g L_f h(x) = \frac{\partial L_f h}{\partial x} g \quad (2)$$

$$L_f^{i+1} h = L_f (L_f^i h) = \frac{\partial L_f^i h}{\partial x} f, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots \quad (3)$$

A single input single output nonlinear system

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x} &= f(x) + g(x)u, \quad x \in R^n, u \in R \\ y &= h(x), \quad y \in R \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

has relative degree ρ at a point x_0 if 1) $L_g L_f^k h(x) = 0$ for $\forall x \in N(x_0)$ (a neighborhood of x_0), $\forall k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, \rho - 2$ and 2) $L_g L_f^{\rho-1} h(x_0) \neq 0$.

Assume that the system (4) has relative degree n at x and define

$$z = T(x) = \begin{bmatrix} T_1(x) \\ T_2(x) \\ T_3(x) \\ \vdots \\ T_n(x) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} h(x) \\ L_f h(x) \\ L_f^2 h(x) \\ \vdots \\ L_f^{n-1} h(x) \end{bmatrix} \quad (5)$$

which is a diffeomorphism. It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{T}_{k-1} &= T_k, \quad k = 2, 3, \dots, n \\ \dot{T}_n &= L_f^n h(x) + L_g L_f^{n-1} h(x) u \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

With the new state $z = T(x)$, the feedback control law

$$u = \frac{1}{L_g L_f^{n-1} h(x)} (r - L_f^n h(x)) \quad (7)$$

linearizes the system (4), *i.e.*, which leads to the system

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{z}_i &= z_{i+1}, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n-1 \\ \dot{z}_n &= r \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

which can be put in a matrix form $\dot{z} = Az + br$, where $r \in R$ is a new input. Here we note that $T(x)$ should be a diffeomorphism in the region, which is reachable by $x(t)$ driven by $r(t)$.

If the system (4) has relative degree $\rho < n$ at x , the transformed system becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{z}_1 &= z_2, \dot{z}_2 = z_3, \dots, \dot{z}_{\rho-1} = z_\rho \\ \dot{z}_\rho &= b(\xi, \xi_0) + a(\xi, \xi_0)u, \dot{\xi}_0 = q(\xi, \xi_0) \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

where $\xi = [z_1, z_2, \dots, z_\rho]^T$ and $\xi_0 = [z_{\rho+1}, \dots, z_n]^T$. The zero dynamics system is $\dot{\xi}_0 = q(\xi, \xi_0)$ [18] [19]. A feedback linearizing controller

$u = (1/a(\xi, \xi_0))(r - b(\xi, \xi_0))$ may ensure that ξ is bounded. However, even if the system zero dynamics $\dot{\xi}_0 = q(0, \xi_0)$ are stable, a bounded ξ may not ensure that ξ_0 is also bounded. For a tracking problem z_1, z_2, \dots, z_ρ do not converge to zero. The zero dynamics subsystem is driven by the “inputs” z_i , $i = 1, 2, \dots, \rho$, with its own states as z_j , $j = \rho + 1, \rho + 2, \dots, n$. For bounded inputs z_i , $i = 1, 2, \dots, \rho$, and with arbitrary initial conditions $z_j(0)$, for $z_j(t)$ to be bounded, the condition is that the zero dynamics subsystem $\dot{z}_j(t) = q_j(z(t))$, $j = \rho + 1, \rho + 2, \dots, n$, is bounded input, bound-state stable [19].

3. Compensation of Deadzone Nonlinearity

In this section a fuzzy logic precompensator is designed for the non-symmetric deadzone nonlinearity. It is shown that the fuzzy logic approach includes and subsumes approaches based on switching logic and indicator functions [7] [8].

This brings these references very close to fuzzy logic work in [11], and potentially allows for more exotic compensation schemes for actuator nonlinearities using more complex decision (e.g. membership) functions. This section provides a rigorous framework for fuzzy logic applications in deadzone compensation for feedback linearization systems.

If u, v are scalars, the nonsymmetric deadzone nonlinearity, shown in **Figure 1**, is given by

$$u = N(v) = \begin{cases} v + d_-, & v < -d_- \\ 0, & -d_- \leq v < d_+ \\ v - d_+, & d_+ \leq v \end{cases} \quad (10)$$

The parameter vector $d = [d_+ \ d_-]^T$ characterizes the width of the system deadband. In practical control systems the width of the deadzone is unknown, so that compensation is difficult. Most compensation schemes cover only the case of symmetric deadzones where $d_- = d_+$.

The nonsymmetric deadzone may be written as

$$u = N(v) = v - \text{sat}_d(v) \quad (11)$$

where the nonsymmetric saturation function is defined as

$$\text{sat}_d(v) = \begin{cases} -d_-, & v < -d_- \\ u, & -d_- \leq v < d_+ \\ d_+, & d_+ \leq v \end{cases} \quad (12)$$

To offset the deleterious effects of deadzone, one may place a precompensator as illustrated in **Figure 2**. There, the desired function of the precompensator is

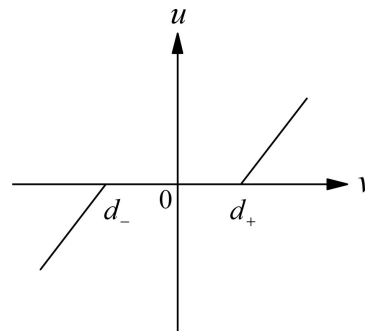


Figure 1. Deadzone nonlinearity.

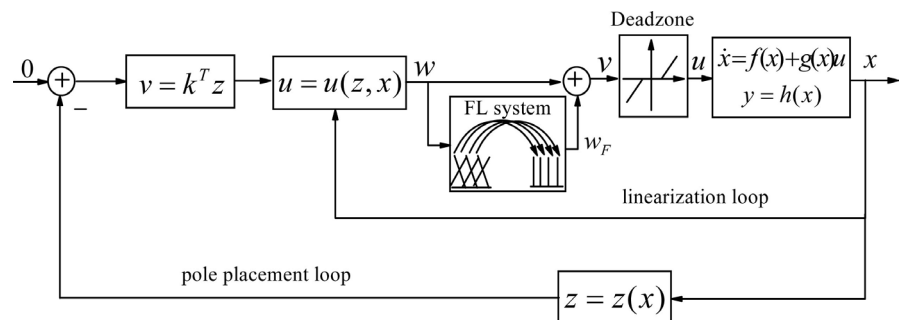


Figure 2. Fuzzy deadzone compensation with feedback linearization.

to cause the composite throughput from w to u to be unity. The power of fuzzy logic systems is that they allow one to use intuition based on experience to design control systems, then provide the mathematical machinery for rigorous analysis and modification of the intuitive knowledge, for example, through learning or adaptation, to give guaranteed performance, as will be shown in Section 4. Due to the fuzzy logic classification property, they are particularly powerful when the nonlinearity depends on the region in which the argument v of the nonlinearity is located, as in the non-symmetric deadzone.

A deadzone precompensator using engineering experience would be discontinuous and depend on the region within which w occurs. It would be naturally described using the rules

If (w is positive) then ($v = w + \hat{d}_+$)

If (w is negative) then ($v = w - \hat{d}_-$) (13)

where $\hat{d} = [\hat{d}_+ \ \hat{d}_-]^T$ is an estimate of the deadzone width parameter vector d .

To make this intuitive notion mathematically precise for analysis define the membership function's

$$\begin{aligned} X_+(w) &= \begin{cases} 0, & w < 0 \\ 1, & 0 \leq w \end{cases} \\ X_-(w) &= \begin{cases} 1, & w < 0 \\ 0, & 0 \leq w \end{cases} \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

One may write the precompensator as

$$v = w + w_F \quad (15)$$

where w_F is given by the rule base.

If ($w \in X_+(w)$) then ($w_F = \hat{d}_+$).

If ($w \in X_-(w)$) then ($w_F = -\hat{d}_-$). (16)

The output of the fuzzy logic system with this rule base is given by

$$w_F = \frac{\hat{d}_+ X_+(w) - \hat{d}_- X_-(w)}{X_+(w) + X_-(w)}. \quad (17)$$

The estimates \hat{d}_+ , $-\hat{d}_-$ are, respectively, the control representative value of $X_+(w)$ and $X_-(w)$. This may be written (note $X_+(w) + X_-(w) = 1$) as

$$w_F = \hat{d}^T X(w) \quad (18)$$

where the fuzzy logic basis function vector given by

$$X(w) = \begin{bmatrix} X_+(w) \\ -X_-(w) \end{bmatrix} \quad (19)$$

is easily computed given any value of w .

It should be noted that the membership functions (14) are the indicator functions and $X(w)$ is similar to the regressor [6] [7] [8] [9]. The composite through from w to u of the fuzzy logic compensator plus the deadzone is

$$u = N(v) = N(w + w_F) = w + [w_F - \text{sat}_d(w + w_F)]. \quad (20)$$

The fuzzy logic compensator may be expressed as follows

$$v = w + w_F = w + \hat{d}^T X(w) \quad (21)$$

where \hat{d} is estimated deadzone widths.

Given the fuzzy logic compensator with rulebase (16), the throughput of the compensator plus deadzone is given by

$$u = w + \tilde{d}^T X(w) - \tilde{d}^T \delta \quad (22)$$

where the deadzone width estimation error is given by

$$\tilde{d} = d - \hat{d} \quad (23)$$

and the modeling mismatch term δ is bounded so that $|\delta| < \delta_M$ for some scalar δ_M .

4. Adaptive Fuzzy Logic Deadzone Compensation with Linearization

In this section we show how to provide fuzzy logic deadzone compensation for deadzone in feedback linearizable nonlinear system. The proposed control structure is shown in **Figure 2**. The fuzzy logic deadzone compensator is given by (21). We show to tune or learn the deadzone width estimates \hat{d} on-line so that the tracking error is guaranteed small and all internal states are bounded. This turns the deadzone compensator into an adaptive fuzzy logic deadzone compensator.

The system has a deadzone nonlinearity $N(\cdot)$ with control input v , that is

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x} &= f(x) + g(x)u, u = N(v) \\ y &= h(x) \end{aligned} \quad (24)$$

From the (24) and (22)

$$\dot{x} = f(x) + g(x)(w + \tilde{d}^T X(w) - \tilde{d}^T \delta). \quad (25)$$

The control task now is to design a feedback row of w and a fuzzy logic logic tuning law for \tilde{d} to ensure desired closed loop system properties.

1) Design with exact feedback linearization [20]: In this case, the assumption is that the system (25) has relative degree n . Introduce the $z = T(x) \in R^n$, where $T(x)$ is a diffeomorphism defined in (5). Then it follows that

$$\dot{z} = \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} \left(f(x) + g(x)w + g(x)(\tilde{d}^T X(w) - \tilde{d}^T \delta) \right). \quad (26)$$

Choose the feedback linearizing control input w as

$$w = \frac{1}{L_g T_n} (r - L_f T_n) = \alpha^{-1}(x)(r - \beta(x)) \quad (27)$$

where $T_n(x)$ is the last row of $T(x)$, $\alpha(x) = L_g T_n$, and $\beta(x) = L_f T_n$. This control law has the properties

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial x} (f(x) - g(x)\alpha^{-1}(x)\beta(x)) = Az \quad (28)$$

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial x} g(x)\alpha^{-1}(x) = b \quad (29)$$

where A and b are from (8).

With the controller (27), we can rewrite (26) as

$$\dot{z} = Az + br + \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} g(x) (\tilde{d}^T X(w) - \tilde{d}^T \delta). \quad (30)$$

Then we choose the linear feedback control law

$$r = -Fz + r_d \quad (31)$$

where $F \in R^{1 \times n}$ is such that $A - bF$ has desired stable eigenvalues and r_d is a reference input, and introduce the reference system as

$$\dot{z}_m = (A - bF)z_m + br_d. \quad (32)$$

For the tracking error $\tilde{z} = z - z_m$, it follows from (30)-(32) that

$$\dot{\tilde{z}} = \dot{z} - \dot{z}_m = (A - bF)\tilde{z} + \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} g(x) (\tilde{d}^T X(w) - \tilde{d}^T \delta) \quad (33)$$

Theorem 1: Given the system (24), select the tracking control (31) and dead-zone compensator (21), where $X(w)$ is given by (19). The estimated deadzone widths be provided by the fuzzy logic system tuning algorithm

$$\dot{\hat{d}}(t) = \begin{cases} \alpha(x)\Gamma X(w)\tilde{z}^T Pb & \text{if } \delta = 0 \\ \alpha(x)\Gamma (X(w)\tilde{z}^T - k\hat{d}\|\tilde{z}\|) Pb & \text{if } \delta \neq 0 \end{cases} \quad (34)$$

where the scalar $k > 0$ and Γ is chosen diagonal with positive diagonal elements. If $\delta = 0$, then all closed loop signals are bounded. If $\delta \neq 0$, The tracking error evolves with a practical bound

$$\|\tilde{z}\| \leq \frac{\alpha(x)Pbc_0^2}{4Q_{\min}k}. \quad (35)$$

where Q_{\min} , minimum singular value of Q .

Proof: Define a Lyapunov function candidate for error dynamics (33) as

$$V(\tilde{z}, \tilde{d}) = \frac{1}{2} (\tilde{z}^T P \tilde{z} + \tilde{d}^T \Gamma^{-1} \tilde{d}) \quad (36)$$

where $P \in R^{n \times n}$ with $P = P^T > 0$ satisfies the Lyapunov equation

$$P(A - bF) + (A - bF)^T P = -2Q \text{ for a chosen } n \times n \text{ matrix } Q = Q^T > 0.$$

Differentiating (36) and using (29) and (33) yields

$$\dot{V}(t) = -\tilde{z}^T(t)Q\tilde{z}(t) + \alpha(x)\tilde{z}^T(t)Pb(\tilde{d}^T X(w) - \tilde{d}^T \delta) + \tilde{d}^T \Gamma^{-1} \dot{\tilde{d}}. \quad (37)$$

If $\delta = 0$, the tuning algorithm (34) results in $\dot{V} = -\tilde{z}^T(t)Q\tilde{z}(t) \leq 0$. This means that $V(t)$ is bounded and $\tilde{z} = z - z_m \in L^2$, i.e., \tilde{z} and \tilde{d} are bounded, and so z and d . Since $z = T(x)$ is a diffeomorphism, $x(t)$ is also bounded, and are w and $\dot{\tilde{z}}$, which implies that $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} (z(t) - z_m(t)) = 0$.

If $\delta \neq 0$, substitution the tuning algorithm (34) gives

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{V}(t) = & -\tilde{z}^T(t) Q \tilde{z}(t) + \alpha(x) \tilde{z}^T(t) P b (\tilde{d}^T X(w) - \tilde{d}^T \delta) \\ & + \tilde{d}^T \Gamma^{-1} \left\{ -\alpha(x) \Gamma (X(w) \tilde{z}^T - k \hat{d} \|\tilde{z}\|) P b \right\} \end{aligned} \quad (38)$$

where $\tilde{d} = d - \hat{d}$ and $\dot{\hat{d}} = 0$ by deadzone widths is constant, $\dot{\tilde{d}} = -\dot{\hat{d}}$. Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{V}(t) = & -\tilde{z}^T(t) Q \tilde{z}(t) - \alpha(x) \tilde{z} P b \tilde{d}^T \delta + \tilde{d}^T \alpha(x) k (d - \tilde{d}) \|\tilde{z}\| P b \\ \leq & -Q \|\tilde{z}\|^2 - \alpha(x) \|\tilde{z}\| P b \|\tilde{d}\| \delta_M + \|\tilde{d}\| \alpha(x) k d_M \|\tilde{z}\| P b - \alpha(x) k \|\tilde{d}\|^2 \|\tilde{z}\| P b \end{aligned} \quad (39)$$

where $\delta < \delta_M$, $d < d_M$ for some scalar d_M , δ_M respectively, and bounding properties were used. Therefore

$$\dot{V}(t) \leq -\|\tilde{z}\| \left[Q_{\min} \|\tilde{z}\| - \alpha(x) P b c_0 \|\tilde{d}\| + \alpha(x) k \|\tilde{d}\|^2 P b \right] \quad (40)$$

where $c_0 = k d_M - \delta_M$.

This is negative as long as the quantity in the brace is positive. To determine conditions for this, complete the square to see that \dot{V} is negative as long as either

$$\|\tilde{z}\| > \frac{\alpha(x) P b c_0^2}{4 Q_{\min} k} \quad (41)$$

or

$$\|\tilde{d}\| > \frac{c_0}{k}. \quad (42)$$

According to the standard Lyapunov theorem, the tracking error decreases as long as the error is bigger than the right-hand side of Equation (41). This implies Equation (43) gives a practical bound on the tracking error

$$\|\tilde{z}\| \leq \frac{\alpha(x) P b c_0^2}{4 Q_{\min} k}. \quad (43)$$

Also, Lyapunov extension shows that the deadzone width bound, $\|\tilde{d}\|$, is bounded to a neighborhood of the right hand side of Equation (42).

2) Design for systems with zero dynamics: When the system relative degree is $\rho < n$, the system can only be partially feedback linearized. Let $z = T(x) \in R^n$ be a diffeomorphism. In this case, there are two parts of

$z = T(x) : \xi = T_c(x) = [z_1, \dots, z_\rho]^T$, which is the feedback linearization part, and $\xi_0 = T_z(x) = [z_{\rho+1}, \dots, z_n]^T$, which is the zero dynamics. Similar to (26), we can obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\xi} = & \frac{\partial T_f}{\partial x} (f(x) + g(x)w + g(x)(\tilde{d}^T X(w) - \tilde{d}^T \delta)) \\ = & A_\rho \xi + b_\rho r + \frac{\partial T_c}{\partial x} g(x)(\tilde{d}^T X(w) - \tilde{d}^T \delta) \end{aligned} \quad (44)$$

by choosing a control law $w = \alpha^{-1}(x)(r - \beta(x))$, which has the properties

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial T_f}{\partial x}(f(x) - g(x)\alpha^{-1}(x)\beta(x)) &= A_\rho \xi \\ \frac{\partial T_f}{\partial x}g(x)\alpha^{-1}(x) &= b_\rho\end{aligned}\quad (45)$$

The zero dynamics system then is $\dot{\xi}_0 = q(\xi, \xi_0)$. The reference model is similar to that in (32) but $z_m \in R^\rho$. Defining the new tracking error $\tilde{z} = \xi - z_m$; the fuzzy logic tuning algorithm is of the same form as that in (34) which ensures that ξ and \hat{d} are bounded. If the zero dynamics system is bounded input, bounded-state stable, the system state z is bounded, and so is x .

5. Simulation Results

In this section, we illustrate the effectiveness of fuzzy logic deadzone compensation with feedback linearization by computer simulation. Consider the control of a single link manipulator with joint flexibility and damping as well as with deadzone nonlinearity in **Figure 3**.

$$\begin{aligned}I\ddot{q}_1 + MgL \sin q_1 + k_e(q_1 - q_2) + b(\dot{q}_1 - \dot{q}_2) &= 0 \\ J\ddot{q}_2 - k_e(q_1 - q_2) - b(\dot{q}_1 - \dot{q}_2) &= u, u = N(v)\end{aligned}\quad (46)$$

where q_1, q_2 are the angular positions of the link and motor, I and J are the inertia, k_e is the elasticity constant of the joint spring, M and L represent the mass and the position of the center of gravity of the link, and u is the torque applied at the motor. With the state variables $x_1 = q_1, x_2 = \dot{q}_1, x_3 = q_2, x_4 = \dot{q}_2$, this system can be expressed as that in (24).

For the system (46) with flexibility only, i.e., $k_e > 0, b = 0$, as in [21], a diffeomorphism $T(x)$ is

$$\begin{aligned}z_1 &= T_1(x) = x_1 \\ z_2 &= T_2(x) = x_2 \\ z_3 &= T_3(x) = -\frac{MgL}{I} \sin x_1 - \frac{k_e}{I}(x_1 - x_3) \\ z_4 &= T_4(x) = -\frac{MgL}{I} x_2 \cos x_1 - \frac{k_e}{I}(x_2 - x_4)\end{aligned}\quad (47)$$

and the feedback linearizing control is

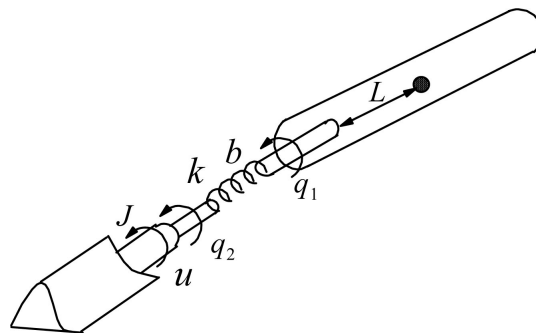


Figure 3. A flexible one link robot.

$$\begin{aligned}
w &= (1/L_g T_4)(r - L_f T_4) \\
&= \frac{IJ}{k_e} \left(r - \frac{Mgl}{I} \sin x_1 \left(x_2^2 + \frac{Mgl}{I} \cos x_1 + \frac{k_e}{I} \right) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \frac{k_e}{I} (x_1 - x_3) \left(\frac{k_e}{I} + \frac{k_e}{J} + \frac{Mgl}{I} \cos x_1 \right) \right)
\end{aligned} \quad (48)$$

For the system (46) with joint flexibility and damping, *i.e.*, $k_e > 0$, $b > 0$, it can be verified that it has a relative degree of three and can only be partially feedback linearized. With

$$\begin{aligned}
z_1 &= T_1(x) = x_1 \\
z_2 &= T_2(x) = x_2 \\
z_3 &= T_3(x) = -\frac{Mgl}{I} \sin x_1 - \frac{k_e}{I} (x_1 - x_3) - \frac{b}{I} (x_2 - x_4)
\end{aligned} \quad (49)$$

the partial feedback linearization control input is

$$\begin{aligned}
w &= \frac{IJ}{b} \left(r + \frac{Mgl}{I} x_2 \cos x_1 - \frac{b}{I} \left(\frac{k_e}{I} + \frac{k_e}{J} \right) (x_1 - x_3) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \left(\frac{k_e}{I} - \frac{b}{I} \left(\frac{b}{I} + \frac{b}{J} \right) \right) (x_2 - x_4) \right)
\end{aligned} \quad (50)$$

which results in the partial linear system $\dot{z}_1 = x_2$, $\dot{z}_2 = z_3$, $\dot{z}_3 = r$. With $z_4 = T_4(x) = x_3$ and $T(x) = [z_1, z_2, z_3, z_4]^T$, $\partial T(x)/\partial x$ is nonsingular, *i.e.*, $T(x)$ is diffeomorphism. It then follows that

$$\dot{z}_4 = -\frac{k_e}{b} z_4 + \frac{I}{b} z_3 + \frac{Mgl}{b} \sin z_1 + \frac{k_e}{b} z_1 + z_2 \quad (51)$$

which is a bounded input, bounded state stable zero dynamic system.

In both cases, the control signal w is applied to a fuzzy logic deadzone compensator for the deadzone nonlinearity $u = N(v)$. Some simulation results for fuzzy logic deadzone compensation of the system (46) with deadzone widths $d_+ = 0.2$, $d_- = -0.2$ are given in **Figure 1** for the joint flexibility case. The system parameters are as follows: $M = 1[\text{kg}]$, $g = 9.8[\text{rad/sec}]$, $L = 1[\text{m}]$, $I = ML^2 = 1.5[\text{kg} \cdot \text{m}^2]$, $J = 0.2[\text{kg} \cdot \text{m}^2]$, $k_e = 10[\text{N} \cdot \text{m/rad}]$, $b = 0.07[\text{kg} \cdot \text{m}^2/\text{sec}]$. The tracking response without and with deadzone nonlinearity is shown in **Figure 4(a)** and **Figure 4(b)** for $r_d = \sin(2\pi t/1800)$. The response with a fuzzy deadzone compensator is shown in **Figure 4(c)**, showing significant performance improvement. **Figure 4(d)** shows estimates of deadzone widths. Simulation results for the joint flexibility plus damping case are shown in **Figure 5** for $r_d = \sin(2\pi t/1800)$. These results indicate that the fuzzy deadzone compensation significantly improves system tracking performance.

6. Conclusion

A fuzzy logic deadzone compensator has been proposed for feedback linearizable nonlinear systems. The classification property of fuzzy logic systems makes them a natural candidate for offsetting this sort of actuator nonlinearity having a

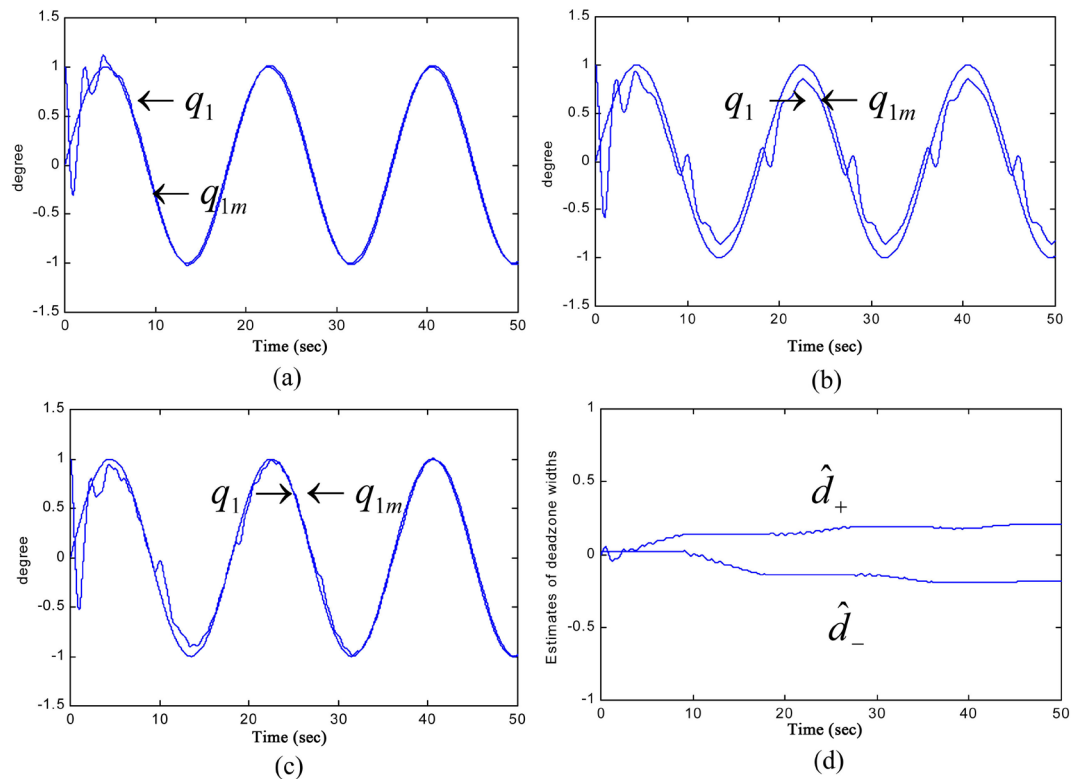


Figure 4. System response with flexibility (a) with deadzone nonlinearity, (b) without deadzone nonlinearity, and (c) with fuzzy logic deadzone compensation. (d) Estimates of deadzone widths.

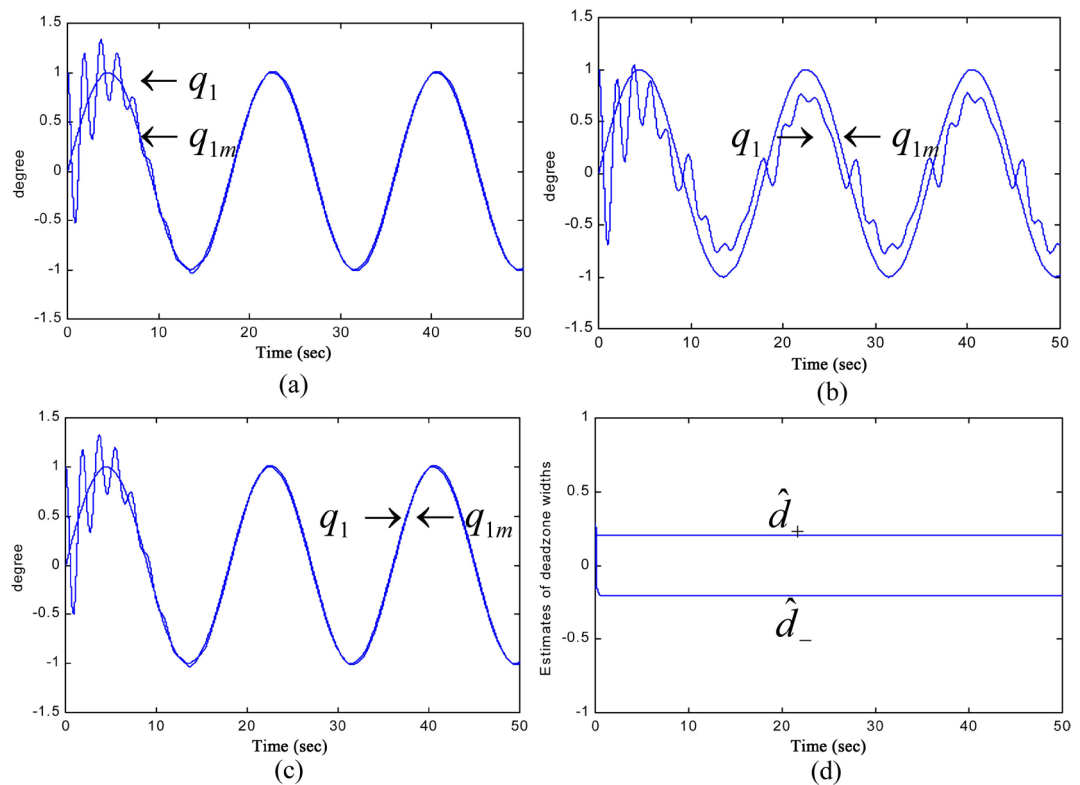


Figure 5. System response with flexibility and damping (a) with deadzone nonlinearity, (b) without deadzone nonlinearity, and (c) with fuzzy logic deadzone compensation, (d) estimates of deadzone widths.

strong dependence on the region in which the arguments occur. It was shown how to tune the fuzzy logic parameters so that the unknown deadzone parameters are learned on line, resulting an adaptive deadzone compensator. Using nonlinear stability techniques, the bound on tracking error is derived from the tracking error dynamics. Simulation results show that significantly improved system performance can be achieved by the proposed adaptive fuzzy logic compensation. The future research is to get the results of experiment on robot manipulators.

Conflicts of Interest

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