

# Comparison of ANN and ANFIS Methods for the Voltage-Drop Prediction on an Electric Railway Line

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# ABSTRACT

Railway electrification systems are designed with regard to the operating data and design parameters. The minimum voltage rating required by traction during the operation should be provided. The maximum voltage drop on a line determines the minimum traction voltage. This voltage should be maintened within certain limits for the continuity of operation. In this study, the maximum voltage drop generated via traction was determined using artificial neural network (ANN) and adaptive neuro-fuzzy inference system (ANFIS) for a 25-kV AC-supplied railway. The voltage drop on line was calculated with regard to the operating data using ANN and ANFIS. ANN and ANFIS were explained, and the results were compared. The Levenberg–Marquardt (LM) algorithm was used for the ANN model. The LM algorithm is preferred because of the speed and stability it provides for the training of ANNs. The data created for one-way supply status were examined for simulation.

Keywords: ANFIS, ANN, electrification, railway, traction

#### Introduction

Mostly 25 kV 50 Hz. single-phase supply voltage is used for the traction force system on AC supplied railways. The single-phase supply voltage that the traction force uses is acquired through an interconnected network which has 154 kV phase to phase voltage. Two transformers of 154 kV/25 kV are present in the substations and the transformers can operate as back-up [1-6]. The equivalent circuit model of the AC railway is presented in Figure 1.



The equation regarding the supplying status from a single substation is given with Equation (1) which represents the total impedance from substation Z1 to the vehicle. The impedance values of the feeder cables were also added to Z1.Z1 value changes in accordance with the distance depending on the location of the vehicle. V1 is the voltage of the vehicle, Vn1 indicates the nominal

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supply voltage, I<sub>vehicle</sub> indicates the vehicle current. The maximum traction force of the vehicles in the railway vehicles with a high power consumption can increase to 20 MVA [7-11].

$$V_1 = V_{n1} - I_{vehicle} \times Z1 \tag{1}$$

Neutral zones increase the operating capability by allowing to be supplied from different zones. Since the voltage drop occurring on the line and the currents drawn do not reach high values under normal operating conditions, the distances between the supply stations may be longer. As the number of traction supply stations and the efficiency of the traction force system increase, the voltage drop on the line and the losses decrease [12-16]. The traction system of the railway vehicle consists of a transformer, a three-phase PWM inverter and an asynchronous engine. In the course of regenerative braking, the asynchronous engine can function as a generator and enables energy transfer. This gain is more effective with the developed power electronics technology. With new research and studies, new traction force converters, various electric equipment used in railway vehicles also undergo a change [17-20]. The single-line scheme of the traction force supply diagram of an AC supplied railway is displayed in Figure 2.

The vehicle traction force (F<sub>traction</sub>) consists of the sum of the re-



sistance force against vehicle motion ( $F_{motion}$ ), slope resistance force  $(F_{slope})$ , curve resistance force  $(F_{curve})$  and the multiplication of acceleration and mass of the vehicle, which are given with (2), (3), (4) and (5). In the equations, V is the vehicle speed, m is the vehicle mass, A, B, C are the coefficients related to the vehicle characteristic, g is the gravitational acceleration,  $\mathbf{y}$  is the angle of inclination, R is the curve radius, C1, C2 and C3 are the coefficients used to calculate the curve force. In equation (5), the acceleration-mass (ma) value expresses the net force that affects the vehicle. The power equation of the vehicle is given with regard to the traction force and vehicle speed by Equation (6).

 $F_{motion} = A + B \times v + C \times v^2$ (2)

 $F_{slope} = m \times g \times \sin(\gamma)$ (3)

 $F_{curve} = (m \times g \div 1000) \times (C_1 - C_2 \times R) \div (R - C_3)$ (4)

 $F_{traction} = F_{motion} + F_{slope} + F_{curve} + ma$ (5) (6)

 $P_{vehicle} = F_{traction} \times v$ 

The vehicle power increases with the traction force and vehicle speed. The equivalent circuit given with Figure 1 was simulated with different operating parameters and 1000 data arrays were obtained regarding different operating conditions. Equations 1-6 were used to obtain different simulation datas given with Figure 1. 1000 simulation was done with different operation parameters for the best result for the prediction. The parameters used in the simulation are the number of vehicles, acceleration-mass value of the vehicle, vehicle motion resistance, curve radius, slope, the length of the supply line, internal consumption current of the vehicle, electric resistance and inductance of the line; the calculated value is the highest voltage drop value occurring on the line. Random values were assigned to all the input parameters used in the simulation. For the simulation, the number of vehicles varying between 0-10 was used and the vehicle placement was performed by taking the maximum voltage drop into consideration. The diversity of the parameters and the variability in operating conditions in the simulation render the solution of this problem complex. Artificial Intelligence is the science which deals with enabling machines to produce solutions to complex problems as humans. This is generally performed by taking the characteristic of human intelligence and applying it to the computer as an algorithm. In accordance with the demanded or desired needs, which mental attitude will be presented to which effect, less or more flexible or effective approaches can be displayed. Artificial intelligence was preferred in this study due to the stated advantages.

# **Material and Method**

In this study, the artificial neural network and adaptive fuzzy inference system among the artificial intelligence applications were used for simulation. The ANN is a method which functions by imitating the way of work of a simple biological nervous system. The ANFIS is a hybrid artificial intelligence method which uses the parallel computing and learning capability of artificial neural networks and the inferential characteristic of fuzzy logic. Matlab program was used for simulations.

# **Artificial Neural Networks (ANN)**

Artificial neural networks emerged as a mathematical method from the latest outputs of endeavors to study and imitate human nature. Artificial neural networks take computing and data processing power from their parallel distributed structure, their capability to learn and generalize. Generalisation is defined as artificial neural networks' producing proper reactions to the inputs which have not been experienced in the course of education or learning. These characteristics indicate the problem-solving capability of artificial neural networks [21-24].

The biological neuron consists of a nucleus, body and two extensions. The structure of the artificial neural network is given in Figure 3. The 1<sup>st</sup> layer is the input layer. Data are received from here and entered into the system. The 2<sup>nd</sup> layer is the hidden layer. Its use depends on the simulation. The 3<sup>rd</sup> layer is the output layer. Inputs are processed and received from here. Each sphere (nerve) has a function and a threshold value. Filled small circles indicate bonding weights [25-30].



#### Levenberg-Marquardt Algorithm

The Levenberg-Marquardt algorithm is a least squares computing method based on the maximum neighborhood. This algorithm consists of the best features of the Gauss-Newton and gradient-descent algorithms and removes the restrictions of these two methods. This method is not affected by the slow convergence problem. The Levenberg-Marquart algorithm, which is the combination of the Gauss-Newton algorithm, is more efficient and rapid in optimization problems when compared to the sloping downward algorithm [25].

#### Adaptive Neuro Fuzzy Inference System (ANFIS)

The ANFIS is a class of adaptive networks functionally equivalent to the fuzzy inference system. The ANFIS can be given more integrated with some characteristics of controllers, learning ability, parallel processing, structured knowledge representation, other supervision and design methods. Fuzzy logic and neural networks are supplementary means used together in developing smart systems [31-34]. The ANFIS consists of 6 layers. This system is displayed in Figure 4. The node functions of every layer in the ANFIS structure and the operation of the layers are respectively as follows [34]. First layer is named the input layer. The input signals obtained from every node in this layer are transmitted to other layers. Second layer is named the fuzzification layer. In separating the input values into fuzzy sets, Jang's ANFIS model uses the Bell activation function generalized as a membership function. Here, the output of each node consists of membership degrees based on the input values and the membership function used and the membership values obtained from the 2<sup>nd</sup> layer are presented as and Third layer is the layer of rules. Each node in this layer expresses the rules established in accordance with the Sugeno fuzzy logic inference system and their number. The output of each rule node

 $\mathbf{m}$  turns out to be the multiplication of membership degrees which arrive from the 2nd layer. The acquisition of  $\mathbf{m}$  values, on the condition that (j=1,2) and (i=1,...,n), is as follows:

$$y_i^3 = \Pi_i = \mu_{A_i}(x) \times \mu_{B_i}(y) = \mu_i$$
 (7)

Here, represents the output values of the 3rd layer; n represents the number of nodes in this layer. Fourth layer is the normalization layer. Each node in this layer regards all the nodes coming from the rule layer as input values and computes the normalized ignition level of each rule. The computing of the normalized ignition level is performed in accordance with the following formula:

$$y_i^4 = N_i = \frac{\mu_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n \mu_i} = \overline{\mu_i} \text{ (i=1,n)}$$
 (8)

Fifth layer is the purification layer. The weighted resulting values of a given rule in each node in the purification layer are calculated. The output value of the i<sup>th</sup> node in the 5<sup>th</sup> layer is as follows.

$$y_i^5 = \overline{\mu_i}[p_i x_1 + q_i x_2 + r_i], \quad (i=1,n)$$
 (9)

The (pi, qi, ri) variables here are the outcome parameter set of the ith rule. Sixth is the sum layer. There is only one node in this layer and it is labeled as  $\Sigma$ . The output value of each node in the 5th layer is summed here so that the actual value of the ANFIS system is obtained. The computing of y, which is the output value of the system, is performed in accordance with the equation below [31].

$$y = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \overline{\mu_i} \left[ p_i x_1 + q_i x_2 + r_i \right]$$
(10)



#### Mean absolute error (MAE)

The mean absolute error is the division of the absolute value of the difference between the measured values and predicted values by the measurement number. It is given by Equation (11), n represents the measurement number, e represents the difference between the actual value and estimated value [35-36].

$$MAE = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} |e_i| \tag{11}$$

# Root mean squared error (RMSE)

The Root Mean Squared Error is acquired by dividing the real error sum of squares of a measuring line by the measurement number and by taking the square root of this calculated value. It carries out the most correct approach regarding the degree of accuracy of the measurements. In the RMSE equation given by equation (12), xobs are the real values, xmodel are the predicted values, n is the measurement number [35-36].

$$RMSE = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} (X_{obs,i} - X_{model,i})^2}{n}}$$
(12)

#### **Relative absolute error (RAE)**

The Relative absolute Error is acquired by dividing the sum of real error of a measuring line by the sum of predicted error. In the RAE equation given by equation (13), xobs are the real values, xmodel are the predicted values, model is the mean value of xmodel, n is the measurement number [35-36].

$$RAE = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} |X_{obs,i} - X_{model,i}|}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} |\bar{X}_{model,i} - X_{model,i}|}$$
(13)

# Root relative squared error (RRSE)

The Root relative squared error is acquired by dividing the real error sum of squares of a measuring line by the predicted error sum of squares and by taking the square root of this calculated value. In the RRSE equation given by equation (14), xobs are the real values, xmodel are the predicted values, model is the mean value of xmodel, n is the measurement number [35,36].

$$RRSE = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} (X_{obs,i} - X_{model,i})^2}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} (\bar{X}_{model,i} - X_{model,i})^2}}$$
(14)

#### Findings

1000 data arrays different from each other were used for the calculation of the voltage drop created by the traction force. A portion of the data used is displayed in Table 1.



#### Table 1. A portion of the data set that used

#### Simulation results with the ANN

As seen in Table 1, the system consists of 9 input and 1 output parameters. The ANN architecture used is given in Figure 5.

9 input data, 10 hidden neurons, 1 output neuron and 1 output data were used for the ANN architecture used in the design. 70% of the data used for simulation were used for education, 15% for validation, 15% for the test. As seen in Figure 6, the best validation value was reached at the 49<sup>th</sup> iteration by inhibiting overfitting in the simulation. The lowest mean squared error value is 152241.40. The training, validation and test data produced by the system displayed similar characteristics. Since the validation was stopped at the end of 55 iterations.

The backpropagation gradient value is given on a logarithmic scale for each iteration with Figure 7. The difference between the test values and validation values is predicted. Validation checks and Matlab stop the simulation with the increase in the mse value of the validation values in order to inhibit overfitting at the end of 6 iterations. The mse performance is given with the training state graph. Gradient=718660.15 at epoch 55, mu=1000 at epoch 55 and the validation checks=6 at epoch 5.



Inputs	Output Number of vehicles	Ma value (kilonewton)	Vehicle motion resistance (kilonewton)	Curve radius (meter)	Slope	The length of the supply line (kilometer)	Internal consumption current of the vehicle (amper)	Line resistance (ohm)	Line inductance (henry)	Voltage drop (volt)
6	235	65	910	0.0054	72	19.1	0.1271	0.001273	23525	
9	279	80	866	0.0177	68	19.1	0.1416	0.00146	46809	
2	210	65	890	0.0312	46	19.9	0.1236	0.001298	8100	
1	215	68	908	0.0292	96	22.3	0.1225	0.001272	11142	
1	223	69	939	0.0371	36	21.8	0.1107	0.001117	4022	





The error histogram of ANN simulation is shown in Figure 8. The differences between the realized values and calculated values are seen with this graph. The distribution of the errors of the training data is shown with blue, validation data with green and test data with red. The errors mostly concentrate between -1137 and 1010.

The realized and calculated values of the training, validation and test data are seen in Figure 9. The regression value is shown with R, and as seen in the Figure 9, these values are 0.99962 for training, 0.9996 for validation, 0.99936 for the test data. The R value is 0.99959 for all data. As this value approaches 1, the accuracy of the data calculated by the system increases.

The realized data, calculated data and error values are shown in Figure 10. The realized data are given with blue, the calculated data are given with red, error values are given with yellow.

# Simulation results with the ANFIS

The structure of the system created for the ANFIS and the simulation results are given below. A structure with 9 inputs 2 membership functions created for the ANFIS is given with Figure 11. 70% of the data used for simulation were used for education, 15% for validation, 15% for the test. A triangular-shaped membership function was used for the simulation.

Some of the rules established for the ANFIS are shown in Figure 12. 2<sup>9</sup>=512 rules were established for the ANFIS design.

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The ANFIS architecture is shown in Figure 13. The system consists of the input, input MF, Rule, output MF and output modules.





The error histogram of ANFIS simulation is shown in Figure 14. The differences between the realized values and calculated values are seen with this graph. The distribution of the errors of



the training data is shown with blue, validation data with red and test data with green. The errors mostly concentrate between -5456 and 3493.

The realized and calculated values of the training, validation and test data for ANFIS simulation are seen in Figure 15. The regression value is shown with R, and as seen in the Figure 15, these values are 0.99989 for training, 0.99685 for validation, 0.99425 for the test data. The R value is 0.99844 for all data. As this value approaches 1, the accuracy of the data calculated by the system increases.

The realized data, calculated data and error data are shown in Figure 16.



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Table 2. The simulation results of both methods

Method	ANN	ANFIS
Mean absolute error (MAE)	305.3448	339.1464
Root mean squared error (RMSE)	407.4496	792.9189
Relative absolute error (RAE)	0.0266	0.0295
Root relative squared error (RRSE)	0.0288	0.0560
Total Number of Instances	1000	1000

ANN: artificial neural network; ANFIS: adaptive neuro-fuzzy inference system

# The comparison of the ANN and ANFIS results

When the ANN and ANFIS results are compared, the ANFIS results are observed to be better. The simulation results of both methods are given in Table 2.

# Conclusions

In this study, the prediction of the highest voltage drop created by the traction force on an AC supplied railway with regard to the operating data was performed. 1000 random input data arrays and the calculated output data were used for the simulation. In the analyses carried out, the ANN and ANFIS techniques were used. The voltage drop value was predicted. The RRSE value in the data obtained for the ANFIS in the calculations carried out is 5.6% and this value is 2.9% in the ANN. The RMSE values are 407 V for the ANN simulation and 793 V for the ANFIS. The MAE value acquired in the ANN is 305 V, this value is 339 V in the ANFIS. The RAE value in the ANN is 2.7%, this value is 3% in the ANFIS. When the data obtained from the simulations are compared, the prediction values produced with the ANN are observed to be better. When the prediction data produced for both techniques are compared with the real data, it is observed that errors are at an acceptable rate and that the prediction data produced are usable.

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