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AhmadPouradabiDepartmentof Electrical EngineeringShahidRajae Teacher Training UniversityTehran, Abstract— Thispaper presents a convex combination of diffusion LMS algorithm for the distributedestimation problem over diffusion networks in order to improve trackingcapabilities in non-stationary environments.

Two different step-sizes inadaptation stage have been used, A fast DLMS for fast convergence and slow DLMS to attain lower steady-state error. In other hand the proposed algorithm is a solution to compromise between step-size and rate of convergence in diffusion networks and brings the ability to have fast convergence and low steady-state error at price of a little increase of complexity. Keywords- diffusion LMS; convex combination; diffusion network; non-stationary environments.

I. Introduction Adaptive filters have been applied to wide variety of signal processing problems, including noise cancelation 1, system identification 2 or channel equalization 3. Choosing right adaptive filter for an application is very depend on situation and as it's obvious there is a trade-off between rate of convergence and final misadjustment for selecting parameters. As a solution to this problem combination of several adaptive filters has been proposed 4. These filters are combined in a way that the advantages of both component filters are kept: the fast convergence from the fast filter, and the reduced steady-state error from the slow filter.

Adaptive networks includes of distributed nodes with a connection topology. Distributed networks have been used an efficient data processing technology for network applications. The global target is to make the nodes able to

estimate a vector of parameters of interest from the observed data. In a centralized network, the data or local estimates from all nodes would be transmitted to a central processor where they would be combined and the vector of parameters estimated. This method needs efficient communication ways to transmit and receive data between the nodes and the central processor. In these kind of networks, failure of the central node disrupts the whole network.

Besides a centralized solution limits the ability of the nodes to adapt in real-time to time-varying statistical profiles. In recent literatures, limited cooperation and incremental-like techniques [5, 6], has proposed to solve distributed estimation problems adaptively. When sufficient communication resources are available, distributed adaptive algorithms can be used that employ more network connectivity and increase the degree of cooperation among nodes. In contrast to classical centralized techniques, distributed processing exploits local computations at each node and communications among neighboring nodes to solve problems over the entire network. This useful capability extends the scalability and flexibility of the network and leads to a wide range of applications.

In the diffusion mode of cooperation, the nodes interchange their estimates with neighbor nodes and incorporate the collected estimates via linear combinations. Various adaptive algorithm rules in adaptation step of diffusional cooperation have been implemented. These include DAPA families [7, 8], DNSAF families [9, 10], DSAF [11], DSSAF [12, 13], DLMS [14], DNLMS [15], DRLS [16], VS-DSAF [17]. Among these algorithms, Diffusion LMS is a simple, robust and low complexity algorithm. But like always there is a compromise

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between rate of convergence and steady-state error when we have to adjust appropriate step-size.

To solve this problem in this paper convex combination of two diffusion LMS is proposed. This paper is organized as follows. In section II, convex combination of single adaptive filters and estimation problem over distributed networks based on diffusion LMS strategies have been reviewed.

In section III, formulation of convex combination of DLMS are introduced. Section IV presents simulation results. Throughout the paper, the following notations are used ? .

? Norm of a scalar. Squared Euclidean norm of a vector. L1-norm of a vector. Transpose of a vector or a matrix.

II. Review A. Convex combination of simple adaptive filters The most simple combination scheme incorporates two adaptive filters [18].

This configuration is illustrated in Figure 1. Both filters have access to the same input and reference signal. It has two adaptation layers: single adaptive filters and combination layer. Overall output of this combination filter is given by (1) where  $y_1$  and  $y_2$  are the outputs of the two adaptive filters,  $w$  defines by weights, and  $\alpha$  is a mixing parameter. The estimated weight vector and the error of the combination scheme are given by (2) (3), are the errors of the adaptive filters components.

In Convex combination schemes, activation functions utilized to keep the mixing parameter in the range of interest. [12] proposed an activation function using an auxiliary parameter  $\beta$  that is related to  $\alpha$  via the sigmoid function (4)

Regarding to this activation function, automatically will have values between 0 and 1, and can be adapted without constraints. Using a gradient descent method to minimize the squared error of the overall filter 19, from (z), we have following equation to update  $a(n)$ : (5) Figure 1. Simple combination of two adaptive filters Diffusion LMS. In order to optimize MSE in a distributed manner there is two approach, cooperative and non-cooperative mode 20. Diffusion strategies 21 enable the solution of optimizing in a distributed and adaptive manner.

Compared to the non-cooperative solution 22, diffusion strategies introduce a useful aggregation step that brings the ability to collect information from local neighborhoods and participate them in adaptation step. Two diffusion schemes can be derived 23; one is the adapt-then-combine (ATC) structure, which is described by the following update: (6) (7) where  $\hat{x}_k(i)$  denotes the estimator for agent  $k$  at time  $i$ . The first operation in (6) is an adaptation step where agent  $k$  uses its data  $\{d_k(i)\}$  to obtain its intermediate estimator. The second operation is a combination step where agent  $k$  fuses the estimators from its neighbors to update the intermediate estimator. All other agents in the network are simultaneously performing a similar operation and aggregating the estimators of their neighbors and updating their own estimator. Here, diffusion has the meaning when in (6) data from the neighborhood have effect on the location  $k$  and the information diffuses through the network. The reason for the qualification "diffusion" is that the intermediate state  $\hat{x}_k(i)$  in (6) allows information to diffuse through the network by bringing into location  $k$  the effect of data beyond the neighborhood of  $k$ .

III. Convex Combination of DLMS In the matter of combination of two different step-size DLMS, it is necessary to define two adaptation rule, one for slow and one for fast DLMS. (8) (9) (10) Next we have adaptively mixing layer that uses global error of each node to compute mixing parameter: (11) denotes error of node  $k$  for each DLMS at iteration  $i$ . similar to convex combination we define an auxiliary function which adaptively update to obtain optimum mixing parameter. Mixing parameter is defined via a sigmoid activation function: (12) is mixing parameter of node  $k$  at iteration  $i$ .  $\mu_k$  is being update adaptively to minimize the error of combined filter. By means of stochastic gradient algorithm we have following update equation: (13) (14) Where  $e_k$  is a priori error of combined filters of every iteration at node  $k$ . Auxiliary function is different for each node so every node have a unique mixing parameter that is better for our cause and brings the ability to apply various step-sizes in nodes.

Global weights is derived from following equation which is familiar within the convex combination: (15)

IV. Simulation Results In this section, we show the performance of the proposed combination and compare our experiments with other estimation solutions. Two different network topology have been used. Figure 2, 3, 4 shows the network topology and the node profiles of  $\mu_k$  and in 20 Nodes topology and Figure 5, 6, 7 the sameway in 10 Nodes network topology. Figure 2. Network topology ( $J=20$ ) Figure 3.

Noise variance for each Node ( $J=20$ ) Figure 4. Correlation index for each Node ( $J=20$ ) Figure 5. Network topology ( $J=10$ ) Figure 6. Noise variance for each Node ( $J=10$ ) Figure 7. Correlation index for each Node ( $J=10$ ) A.

Convergence We obtained the performance of the proposed algorithms in diffusion network with  $J = 20$  nodes in a system identification setup. The impulse response of the random unknown system has  $M = 16$  taps.

The noise sequence of each node is a white Gaussian process with variance  $(0, 0.1)$ . We use the Metropolis rule for combination weights  $(\alpha)$  in the adapt-then-combine (ATC) diffusion strategy without data exchange.

The performance of the algorithms are compared by the network normalized mean square deviation (NMSD). All simulated learning curves are obtained by averaging over 100 independent trials. Figure 8 and Figure 10 and Figure 11 illustrate the comparison between two single DLMS and proposed combination of them. As it shows the convergence follows the fast DLMS up to near its steady state and then follows the slow DLMS. Figure 9 and Figure 12 shows the NMSD learning curve of each node for both topologies.

Figure 8. The NLMS learning curves of CC-DLMS with  $\mu = 0.002$  and  $\mu = 0.008$ ,  $N = 300$  and two single DLMS with  $\mu = 0.002$  and  $\mu = 0.008$ .

Figure 9. NMSD for each Node ( $J = 10$ ) with CC-DLMS Algorithm

Figure 10. The NLMS learning curves of CC-DLMS with  $\mu = 0.005$  and  $\mu = 0.01$ ,  $N = 300$  and two single DLMS with  $\mu = 0.005$  and  $\mu = 0.01$  ( $J = 20$ ). Figure 11.

The NLMS learning curves of CC-DLMS with  $\mu = 0.005$  and  $\mu = 0.01$ ,  $N = 300$  and two single DLMS with  $\mu = 0.005$  and  $\mu = 0.01$  ( $J = 20$ ). Figure 12.

NMSD for each Node ( $J = 10$ ) with CC-DLMS ( $\mu = 0.002$ ,  $\mu = 0.008$ ,  $N = 300$ ) and two single DLMS ( $\mu = 0.002$  and  $\mu = 0.008$ ). A. Tracking Figure 13

and Figure 14 illustrate tracking capabilities improvement of single DLMS in proposed algorithm.

In this manner we changed the optimum weights of network after 15000 iteration in both topologies. Figure 13. Tracking performance of CC-DLMS ( $\mu = 0.002$ ,  $\sigma = 0.008$ ,  $N = 300$ ) and two single DLMS ( $\mu = 0.002$  and  $\mu = 0.01$ ) in 20 Nodes topology. Figure 14.

Tracking performance of CC-DLMS ( $\mu = 0.002$ ,  $\sigma = 0.008$ ,  $N = 300$ ) and two single DLMS ( $\mu = 0.002$  and  $\mu = 0.$

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