Predictive Control of an Intelligent Energy-saving Operation System Based on Deep Learning

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An intelligent energy-saving operation system is a high-tech product specifically designed to transform the air conditioning systems, motor systems, and lighting systems, to reduce energy consumption. The concentration of equipment distribution within these systems leads to a strong coupling relationship between them. By conducting an overall energy efficiency prediction, the intelligent energy-saving operation system can fully explore its energy-saving potential. The existing research methods for the online control process of intelligent energy-saving operation systems are not accurate enough to predict energy-saving operations when numerous devices are involved. Consequently, this article focuses on studying the predictive control of an intelligent energy-saving operation system using deep learning techniques. The Generalized Regression Neural Network (GRNN) network is selected to describe the energy consumption of the system. The Beetle Antennae search algorithm is then employed to iteratively optimize the smoothing factor of the model, eliminating the need to rely on experiential parameter determination and enhancing the predictive performance of the model. For the predictive control of the intelligent energy-saving operation system, the optimized GRNN network model serves as the prediction model. The primary control objective is to minimize energy consumption while maintaining a unified carrying capacity, thus achieving intelligent energy-saving effects. Experimental results validate the effectiveness of the model.

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1. Introduction

Energy-saving is an important strategy for countries all over the world to achieve sustainable development. [1–7]. With the development of information technology, energy-saving, and consumption-reducing technologies have evolved from informatization to intelligence. An intelligent energy-saving operation system is a high-tech product tailored for the energy-saving and consumption-reducing transformations across various sectors, including air-conditioning system encompassing heating, ventilation, and central air conditioning; motor systems subject to frequent load changes and substantial grid voltage fluctuations; and lighting system spanning building lighting and high-pole street lamp lighting [8–15].

These systems possess centralized equipment distribution, resulting in a strong coupling relationship between them. The on-line control under actual operating conditions is complex and the response is slow [16–19]. At the same time, given the high energy consumption density of the aforementioned systems, the overall energy efficiency prediction of the intelligent energy-saving operation system can be used to save energy at the overall level of the system and fully explore its energy-saving potential [20–24]. Therefore, it is of practical value to establish an energy efficiency prediction model for intelligent energy-saving operation systems and explore an energy-saving predictive control
method for intelligent energy-saving operation systems suitable for online applications.

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The existing residential energy management system faces challenges when dealing with the calculation of multi-source energy management due to its linear management strategy based on single data. To address this, Li et al. [26] propose a multi-source distributed energy real-time management system for energy-saving in an intelligent community. This system employs the DES or CCHP framework based on distributed multi-source energy management. Through the establishment of a distributed hardware platform, different types of energy data are integrated and optimized using a multi-source management strategy. Simulation results show that the proposed energy management system has better management efficiency, delivers optimal energy-saving effect, and demonstrates better real-time performance.

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Ishankhodjayev et al. [28] discuss the development of algorithms for optimizing energy-saving management processes in intelligent energy systems. They explore the main problems in the operation of enterprise energy-saving management process and provide methods and algorithms to solve these problems. The authors propose an improved algorithm for optimizing the energy-saving management process of intelligent energy systems, which includes solving the problems of reasonable regulation of fuel and energy consumption, optimal planning, operation accounting, control, and management decision-making, etc.

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In the second chapter, the energy consumption of the intelligent energy-saving operation system is described using the GRNN network. The Beetle Antennae search algorithm is used to iteratively optimize the smoothing factor of the model, which avoids the uncertainty associated with determining the parameter values based solely on experience and improves the predictive performance of the model. In the third chapter, the optimized GRNN network model, described in the previous section, is used as the prediction model for predictive control in the intelligent energy-saving operation system. The primary control objective is to minimize energy consumption while maintaining a unified carrying capacity, thereby achieving intelligent energy-saving effects. Experimental results verify the effectiveness of the model.

2. Construction of Prediction Model Based on Optimized Generalized Regression Neural Network

The accuracy of the prediction model plays a crucial role in predicting and controlling intelligent energy-saving operation systems. The GRNN is an effective prediction model established based on neural networks with a kernel function that can fit model representation functions by training on a large amount of real-world data. This fitting process yields results that closely align with real-world situations and can be used for high-accuracy prediction and control in intelligent energy-saving operating systems.

The accuracy of data fitting in GRNN is determined by its features. GRNN is composed of Radial Basis Function (RBF) neurons that can effectively adapt to the input space, enabling the network to learn and fit complex nonlinear data distributions. Moreover, the training process of GRNN is faster and more straightforward than many other neural networks, as it only requires setting a single parameter during training: the smoothing factor. The selection of this factor influences the degree of model fitting. A too-small smoothing factor may lead to overfitting the model to the training data, while a too-large one may cause underfitting. Therefore, an appropriate value should be selected to ensure that the GRNN achieves excellent accuracy in data fitting.

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(1)

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\[
R_{c} = \sum_{i=1}^{m} T_{i} \tag{3}
\]

\[
R_{w} = \sum_{j=1}^{l} b_{j} T_{j}, \quad j = 1, 2, ..., l. \tag{4}
\]

The dimension of the output vector of the model learning sample is equal to the number of neurons in the output layer of the GRNN network. The output of each neuron in the output layer can be obtained by dividing the output of the summation layer, which corresponds to the \( j \)-th element of the prediction result \( B(A) \):

\[
b_{j} = \frac{R_{c}}{R_{w}}, \quad j = 1, 2, ..., l \tag{5}
\]

\[
B = [b_{1}, b_{2}, ..., b_{l}]^{T} \tag{6}
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In GRNN, the smoothing factor is a key parameter affecting the learning ability and generalization performance of the network. The selection of the smoothing factor can affect the shape of the transfer function, thereby affecting the connection weights between network neurons. If a too-small value is selected for the smoothing factor, the model may overfit the training data; if a too-large value is selected, the model may underfit. In this study, the BAS algorithm is adopted to perform iterative optimization on the smoothing factor of the model. BAS is an adaptive optimization algorithm that simulates the tactile search mechanism of beetles to conduct global search efficiently in the parameter space and find the optimal solution.

Figure 2 shows the optimization model flow. The foraging process of the Beetle Antennae is based on the following formula to determine the forward direction:

\[
\begin{align*}
A_{p+1} &= A_{p} + c_{p} \cdot \text{sign}[g(a_{p}) - g(a_{a})] \tag{10} \\
\text{sign}(a) &= \begin{cases} 1, & a > 0 \\ 0, & a = 0 \\ -1, & a < 0 \end{cases} \tag{11}
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\]

In the iterative process of the algorithm, the step size is continuously attenuated. Assuming that the attenuation coefficient of each iteration step is represented by \( \psi \), it can be set based on the following formula:

\[
\bar{c}_{p+1} = \frac{c_{p}}{\psi} \tag{12}
\]

To avoid the convergence of the Beetle Antennae search algorithm to the local optimum and enhance the global optimization ability of the algorithm, this paper introduces the nonlinear control parameter coordination algorithm and Levy flight strategy into the algorithm to improve the algorithm. Figure 3 shows the improved algorithm flow of the Beetle Antennae search algorithm. Because the optimization ability of the Beetle Antennae search algorithm is determined by the position of each iterative update, this article uses dynamic adaptive weight \( \theta \) to adjust the update of position coordinates. Assuming that the initial and final values of the control parameters are represented by \( \theta_{\text{init}} \) and \( \theta_{\text{final}} \), respectively, the current number of iterations is represented by \( p \), and the maximum number of iterations is represented by \( p_{\text{max}} \), then:

\[
\theta(p) = \theta_{\text{init}} - (\theta_{\text{init}} - \theta_{\text{final}}) \left( \frac{p}{p_{\text{max}}} \right)^{\gamma}. \tag{13}
\]

Substituting \( \theta \) into Formula 10 updates the position function as follows:

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$$A(a_{1}, a_{2}, \ldots, a_{n})$$  \hspace{1cm} (7)

It is assumed that the distance between the centroid and tentacles of the Beetle is expressed by $k$, and the random vector unit is expressed by $c'$. The following formula gives the position calculation formula of the left and right antennae of Beetle Antennae:

$$\begin{align*}
A_{l} &= A_{l} + k \cdot c' \\
A_{r} &= A_{r} + k \cdot c'
\end{align*}$$  \hspace{1cm} (8)

Normalization of the unit vector is calculated as follows:

$$c' = \frac{\text{rands}(C, k)}{\text{rands}(C, k)}$$  \hspace{1cm} (9)

Assuming that the number of iterations is represented by $p$, the objective function is represented by the function $g$, the step size at the $p$-th exploration is represented by $\xi$, and the sign function is represented by the $\text{sign}$ function. Because the two antennae of a Beetle obtain the objective function information of the two positions respectively, it is necessary to select the parameters corresponding to the two antennae on the basis of the following formula to determine the forward direction:

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In order to ensure comprehensive search ability, two termination conditions are set to indicate that the algorithm has completed the optimization. The first condition sets the desired accuracy level for the optimization value, while the second condition sets a fixed number of iterations. When solving the practical problems of optimal control of intelligent energy-saving operation systems, there is a degree of uncertainty regarding the accuracy requirements for the algorithm's optimization. If the precision requirement of the optimization value and the termination condition of fixed iteration times are not set, the algorithm will not stop the iterative process in a timely manner and deliver a solution that meets the desired criteria.
To ensure that the algorithm terminates when the prediction accuracy or iteration times reach the maximum, and at the same time improve the global optimization ability, the Levy flight strategy is adopted to enhance the algorithm's global optimization capability. Assuming that the global optimal solution obtained by the current iterative operation is represented by $A_{best}$, Levy random path is represented by $GD(y)$, point-to-point multiplication is represented by $\otimes$, and the initial search step size is represented by $s$, the following formula gives the update formula of Levy flight position:

$$A_{p+1} = A_p + (A_{best} - A_p) \cdot (\beta \otimes GD(y))$$  \hspace{1cm} (15)

In the iterative process, the algorithm does not choose the global optimal solution, but the optimal solution obtained by the current iteration. Therefore, this article introduces a greedy mechanism to judge whether to retain the optimal solution obtained by the current iteration in the new position of Beetle Antennae. The following formula gives a new position expression for the generation of Beetle Antennae:

$$a_i(p) = \begin{cases} a_i(p), & \text{fit}(a_i(p)) < \text{fit}(a_i(p)) \\ a_i(p), & \text{fit}(a_i(p)) > \text{fit}(a_i(p)) \end{cases}$$  \hspace{1cm} (16)

That is, if the new position generated by the iteration is better than the position obtained by the previous iteration, the position is updated. If it is not as good as the position obtained in the previous iteration, the current position remains unchanged. To ensure that the constructed model has a good training effect, it is necessary to cross-validate it, and the validation method steps are given in Figure 4.

To verify the effectiveness of the proposed optimization algorithm, the daily power consumption is taken as the optimization indicator, the optimization objective function is constructed, and its minimum value is obtained. Figure 6 shows the predictive control structure of the optimized model. It is assumed that the total power consumption of the daily intelligent-energy-saving operation system is expressed by the objective function $J$, the power of the system equipment in the $i$-th hour is expressed by $T_i$, and the time-sharing electricity cost in the $i$-th hour is expressed by $N_i$. The optimal energy efficiency of the intelligent-energy-saving operation system obtained by the prediction model corresponds to the lowest power consumed by the system equipment. Combined with the time-sharing electricity cost of the system equipment during operation, the optimization objective function of daily power consumption is given by the following formula:

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Constraints are usually determined based on the actual operating parameters of an intelligent-energy-saving operation system. These limitations are associated with the system's model structure. For example, if the instantaneous change rate of the motor's running speed in the motor system is too high, it can potentially result in structural damage to the equipment.
3. Optimal Control Strategy of Intelligent Energy-Saving Operation System

In the context of predictive control of intelligent energy-saving operation systems, the previously optimized GRNN network model is taken as the prediction model for predictive control. The primary objective is to minimize the energy consumption while maintaining a unified carrying capacity. This approach enables the system to achieve intelligent energy-saving effects. The predictive control principle of the system is illustrated in Figure 5.

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\[
C_{i+1} = C_i + D_i - P_i
\]  

(18)

To ensure the effective operation of the intelligent energy-saving operation system, the system carrying demand \( C_i \) is constrained. If \( C_i \) is too high, the system will be excessively idle when the electricity cost is at its peak; if \( C_i \) is too low, the total carrying demand of the system cannot be met when the electricity cost is at a low point, which seriously affects the operation efficiency of the intelligent energy-saving operation system. To address this issue, it is common practice to reserve a certain margin for processing the system's carrying demand, and hence the upper and lower limits of the carrying demand of the system should not be directly based on the actual carrying capacity of the system. Assuming that the energy efficiency of system equipment at the i-th hour is represented by \( U_i \) and the power of the intelligent energy-saving operation system is represented by \( T \), the following formula gives the constraint expression:

\[
0.2 < V < 3 \quad \left| U_i + 1 - U_i \right| \leq 2 \quad 0 < T < 160 \quad 0 < P_i < 700 \quad 200 < C_i < 1000
\]

(19)

Let the reference trajectory value and predictive output value be represented by \( q_d(i) \) and \( b_{TN}(i+1) \), respectively. The control increment is denoted as \( \Delta v(I + j - 1) \). Non-negative weight coefficients \( w \) and \( s \), are used to suppress tracking error and control variable increment, respectively. The predictive time domain and control time domain are represented by \( l \) and \( n \), respectively.

The following formula gives the expression of the model predictive control objective function \( SU(l) \):

\[
SU(l) = \sum_{j=1}^{l} w_j \left[ q_d(l + j) - b_{TN}(l + j) \right]^2 + \sum_{j=0}^{n} s_j \left[ \Delta v(l + j - 1) \right]^2
\]  

(20)

From the above formula, it can be seen that the objective function is divided into two parts: the reference tracking error and the control variable increment.

In order to ensure the robustness of the proposed predictive control algorithm for intelligent energy-saving operation system, it is required that the curve of the expected output system energy efficiency sequence reaching the system target set value should be smooth. Assuming that the softening factor is expressed by \( \gamma \), satisfying \( 0 < \gamma < 1 \), the reference input is expressed by \( q_d \), and the predicted output is expressed by \( b_{TN} \), the following formula gives the expression of the expected output sequence:

\[
q_d(I + j) = \gamma b_{TN}(I + j - 1) + (1 - \gamma) q_d \]

(21)

4. Experimental Results and Analysis

The convergence curve of the improved Beetle Antennae search algorithm is illustrated in Figure 7. The graph demonstrates that the convergence accuracy of the improved Beetle Antennae search algorithm is higher than that of the traditional Beetle Antennae search algorithm, and the convergence speed is obviously better than that of the traditional Beetle Antennae search algorithm. The improved Beetle Antennae search algorithm only reaches the convergence state after about three iterations, while the traditional Beetle Antennae search algorithm needs more than 40-50 iterations before gradually reaching the convergence state.

The optimized prediction model is trained and fitted, and the fitting curves and errors obtained are compared with the corresponding fitting curves of the traditional GRNN model and the optimized GRNN model with the traditional Beetle Antennae search algorithm. The fitting curve and error curve of the model serve as indicators of the prediction accuracy to a certain extent. A fitting curve that closely resembles the real curve corresponds to a smaller fitting error.
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Let the reference trajectory value and predictive output value be represented by $q_T(l+i)$ and $b_{TN}(l+i)$, respectively. The control increment is denoted as $\Delta v(l+j-1)$. Non-negative weight coefficients, $w$ and $s$, are used to suppress tracking error and control variable increment, respectively. The predictive time domain and control time domain are represented by $l$ and $n$.

The following formula gives the expression of the model predictive control objective function $SU(l)$:

$$SU(l) = \sum_{i=1}^{l} \left[ q_T(l+i) - b_{TN}(l+i) \right] + \sum_{j=1}^{n} s_j \left[ \Delta v(l+j-1) \right]^2$$  \hspace{1cm} (20)

From the above formula, it can be seen that the objective function is divided into two parts: the reference tracking error and the control variable increment.

In order to ensure the robustness of the proposed predictive control algorithm for intelligent energy-saving operation system, it is required that the curve of the expected output system energy efficiency sequence reaching the system target set value should be smooth. Assuming that the softening factor is expressed by $\gamma$, satisfying $0 < \gamma < 1$, the reference input is expressed by $q_T$, and the predicted output is expressed by $b_{TN}$. The following formula gives the expression of the expected output sequence:

$q_T(l+i) = \gamma b_{TN}(l+i-1) + (1-\gamma)q_T$  \hspace{1cm} (21)

4. Experimental Results and Analysis

The convergence curve of the improved Beetle Antennae search algorithm is illustrated in Figure 7. The graph demonstrates that the convergence accuracy of the improved Beetle Antennae search algorithm is higher than that of the traditional Beetle Antennae search algorithm, and the convergence speed is obviously better than that of the traditional Beetle Antennae search algorithm. The improved Beetle Antennae search algorithm only reaches the convergence state after about three iterations, while the traditional Beetle Antennae search algorithm needs more than 40-50 iterations before gradually reaching the convergence state.

The optimized prediction model is trained and fitted, and the fitting curves and errors obtained are compared with the corresponding fitting curves of the traditional GRNN model and the optimized GRNN model with the traditional Beetle Antennae search algorithm. The fitting curve and error curve of the model serve as indicators of the prediction accuracy to a certain extent. A fitting curve that closely resembles the real curve corresponds to a smaller fitting error.
error, indicating a higher prediction accuracy of the constructed model. Additionally, the iterative convergence curve reflects the execution speed of the GRNN model optimized by the improved Beetle Antennae search algorithm. A lower maximum iteration count in the convergence state signifies a faster calculation speed of the model is.

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The comparison of the system equipment in terms of running energy consumption and electricity cost under dynamic matrix control method, PID + BP neural network method and control method proposed in this paper is shown in Table 1 and Table 2.

As shown in Table 1, the performance of dynamic matrix control in the trough, average, peak, and daily energy consumption is 1280.1, 1921.1, 641.2, and 3841.1, respectively, with an energy saving rate of 3.5%.

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<td>Dynamic matrix control</td>
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