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# Generalized net model of impulsive delay cellular neural networks

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## Abstract

A review of the generalized net models of different types of neural networks is given. A generalized net model of impulsive delay cellular neural networks is constructed.

## 1 Introduction

In [11] the problem for representation of the separate types of Neural Networks (NNs) by Generalized Net (GN, see [5, 10, 12, 36]) is formulated. The first GN-models that represent the algorithms for training of a NN are given in [7, 13, 14,

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Here, a GN model of impulsive cellular NNs with time delays will be constructed.

Chua and Yang [19, 20] proposed a novel class of information-processing system called Cellular NNs (CNNs) in 1988. Like NNs, it is a large-scale nonlinear analog circuit, which processes signals in real time. Like cellular automata [51] it is made of a massive aggregate of regularly spaced circuit clones, called cells, which communicate with each other directly only through its nearest neighbours. Each cell is made of a linear capacitor, a nonlinear voltage-controlled current source, and a few resistive linear circuit elements.

The key features of NNs are asynchronous parallel processing and global interaction of network elements. Impressive applications of NNs have been proposed for various fields such as optimization, linear and nonlinear programming, associative memory, pattern recognition and computer vision. For the circuit diagram and connection pattern implementing the CNN, one can refer to [19]. The CNN can be applied in signal processing and can also be used to solve some image processing and pattern recognition problems [20]. However, it is necessary to solve some dynamic image processing and pattern recognition problems by using Delayed CNNs (DCNNs) [9, 16, 17, 18, 27]. The study of the stability of CNN and DCNN is known to be an important problem in theory and applications.

On the other hand, the state of electronic networks is often a subject to instantaneous perturbations and experience abrupt changes at certain instants, which may be caused by switching phenomena, frequency change or other sudden noise, that exhibits impulsive effects [2, 8, 26]. For instance, according to Arbib [8] and Haykin [26], when a stimul from the body or the external environment is received by receptors the electrical impulses will be conveyed to the NN and impulsive effects arise naturally in the net.

Therefore, NN model with delay and impulsive effects should more accurately to describe the evolutionary process of the systems. Since delays and impulses can affect the dynamical behaviour of the system, it is necessary to investigate both delay and impulsive effects on the stability of NNs [1, 34, 48, 49, 50]. Such a generalization of the DCNN notion should enable us to study different types of classical problems as well as to “Control” the solvability of the DCNN (without impulses).

## 2 On the Impulsive Delay Cellular Neural Networks (IDCNNs)

Let  $R^n$  denote the  $n$ -dimensional Euclidean space, and let  $\|x\| = \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|$  define the norm of  $x \in R^n$ . Let  $R_+ = [0, \infty)$  and  $t_0 \in R_+$ .

We consider the following impulsive DCNNs

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}_i(t) &= -c_i x_i(t) + \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} f_j(x_j(t)) + \sum_{j=1}^n b_{ij} f_j(x_j(t - \tau_j(t))) + I_i, \\ t &\neq t_k, \quad t > t_0,\end{aligned}\tag{2.1}$$

$$\Delta x_i(t_k) = x_i(t_k + 0) - x_i(t_k) = P_{ik}(x_i(t_k)), \quad k = 1, 2, \dots,\tag{2.2}$$

$i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ , where  $n$  corresponds to the number of units in a NN;  $x_i(t)$  corresponds to the state of the  $i$ -th unit at time  $t$ ;  $f_j(x_j(t))$  denotes the output of the  $j$ -th unit at time  $t$ . Further,  $a_{ij}$ ,  $b_{ij}$ ,  $I_i$ ,  $c_i$  are constants,  $a_{ij}$  denotes the strength of the  $j$ -th unit on the  $i$ -th unit at time  $t$ ,  $b_{ij}$  denotes the strength of the  $j$ -th unit on the  $i$ -th unit at time  $t - \tau_j(t)$ ,  $I_i$  denotes the external bias on the  $i$ -th unit,  $\tau_j(t)$  corresponds to the transmission delay along the axon of the  $j$ -th unit and satisfies  $0 \leq \tau_j(t) \leq \tau$  ( $\tau = \text{constant}$ ),  $c_i$  represents the rate with which the  $i$ -th unit will reset its potential to the resting state in isolation when disconnected from the network and external inputs,  $t_k$ ,  $k = 1, 2, \dots$  are the moments of impulsive perturbations and satisfy  $t_0 < t_1 < t_2 < \dots$  and  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} t_k = \infty$ ;  $x_i(t_k - 0) = x_i(t_k)$  and  $x_i(t_k + 0)$  are the states of the  $i$ -th unit before and after the impulsive perturbation at  $t_k$ , respectively; and  $P_{ik}(x_i(t_k))$  represents the abrupt change of the state  $x_i(t)$  at the impulsive moment  $t_k$ .

Let  $J \subset R$  be an interval. Define the following class of functions:

$$CB[J, R^n] = \{\sigma : \sigma \in C[J, R^n] \& \sigma(t) \text{ is bounded on } J\}.$$

Let  $\varphi \in CB[[-\tau, 0], R^n]$ . Denote by  $x(t) = x(t; t_0, \varphi)$ ,  $x \in R^n$  the solution of system (2.1), (2.2), satisfying the initial condition:

$$\begin{cases} x(t; t_0, \varphi) = \varphi(t - t_0), & t_0 - \tau \leq t \leq t_0, \\ x(t_0 + 0; t_0, \varphi) = \varphi(0). \end{cases}\tag{2.3}$$

The solution  $x(t) = x(t; t_0, \varphi) = (x_1(t; t_0, \varphi), \dots, x_n(t; t_0, \varphi))^T$  of problem (2.1), (2.2), (2.3) is a piecewise continuous function with points of discontinuity

of the first kind  $t_k$   $k = 1, 2, \dots$ , where it is continuous from the left, i.e. the following relations are valid

$$x_i(t_k - 0) = x_i(t_k), \quad k = 1, 2, \dots,$$

$$x_i(t_k + 0) = x_i(t_k) + P_{ik}(x_i(t_k)), \quad t_k > t_0.$$

We note that by integrating (2.1) in the interval  $(t_0, t_1]$  we obtain

$$x_i(t) = x_i(t_0 + 0) + \int_{t_0}^t F_i(s) ds, \quad t \in (t_0, t_1],$$

where

$$F_i(t) = -c_i x_i(t) + \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} f_j(x_j(t)) + \sum_{j=1}^n b_{ij} f_j(x_j(t - \tau_j(t))) + I_i,$$

$$1 \leq i \leq n.$$

From (2.2) we have that

$$x_i(t_1 + 0) = x_i(t_1) + P_{i1}(x_i(t_1)), \quad 1 \leq i \leq n.$$

We now integrate (2.1) in the interval  $(t_1, t_2]$  and we obtain

$$x_i(t) = x_i(t_1 + 0) + \int_{t_1}^t F_i(s) ds, \quad t \in (t_1, t_2].$$

By similar arguments we can obtain that

$$x_i(t) = x_i(t_k + 0) + \int_{t_k}^t F_i(s) ds, \quad t \in (t_k, t_{k+1}].$$

$$\text{for } 1 \leq i \leq n, k = 1, 2, \dots.$$

Especially, a constant point  $x^* \in R^n$ ,  $x^* = (x_1^*, x_2^*, \dots, x_n^*)^T$  is called an equilibrium point of (2.1), (2.2) if  $x^* = x^*(t; t_0, x^*)$  is a solution of (2.1), (2.2), (2.3) such that

$$c_i x_i^* = \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} f_j(x_j^*) + \sum_{j=1}^n b_{ij} f_j(x_j^*) + I_i,$$

$$P_{ik}(x_i^*) = 0, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots.$$

Let  $\|\varphi\|_\tau = \max_{s \in [t_0 - \tau, t_0]} \|\varphi(t - t_0)\|$  be the norm of the function  $\varphi \in CB[[-\tau, 0], R^n]$ .

**Definition 2.1.** The equilibrium  $x^* = \text{col}(x_1^*, x_2^*, \dots, x_n^*)$  of system (2.1), (2.2) is said to be *globally exponentially stable*, if there exists a constant  $\gamma > 0$  such that

$$\|x(t; t_0, \varphi) - x^*\| \leq e^{-\gamma(t-t_0)} \|\varphi - x^*\|_\tau, \quad t \geq t_0.$$

### 3 Generalized net model

Here we shall construct a GN model (see Fig. 1) of the above described type of NNs. It contains 5 transitions, 13 places and 5 types of tokens. One of them – token  $\delta$  stays permanently in place  $l_2$  with initial characteristics

“ordered set of all values of the initial function  $\varphi$  or a rule for calculating the values of  $\varphi$ , current value of delay at each moment”,

for token  $\delta$ , and the other token in place  $l_8$  with current characteristics

“ordered set of all values of the moments  $t_k$  and the functions  $P_{ik}$  or a rule for calculating the values of  $t_k$  and  $P_{ik}$ , current value of the  $t_k$  and  $P_{ik}$ ”.

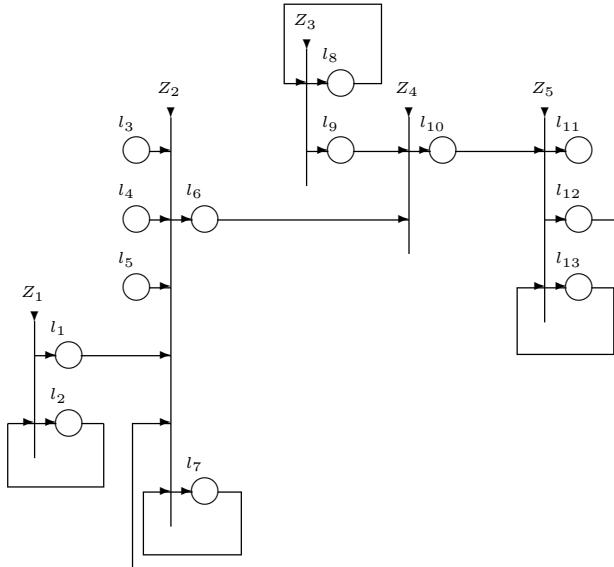


Fig. 1.

In the first time-moment of the GN functioning, tokens  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  enter places  $l_3, l_4, l_5$ , respectively with initial characteristics:

- for token  $\alpha$ :

“topological structure of the IDCNN;  $\varepsilon$ ”,

where  $\varepsilon$  is a constant corresponding to  $e^{-\gamma(t-t_0)} ||\varphi - x^*||_\tau$ ;

- for token  $\beta$ :

“initial values of the inputs of the IDCNN and the components  $x_i^*$  of the equilibrium  $x^*$ ”;

- for token  $\gamma$ :

“weight coefficients  $a_i, b_i$ , coefficients  $c_i$  and  $I_i$ ”.

These tokens must be enumerated by  $\alpha_i, \beta_i, \gamma_i$ , where  $i$  is their current number of entering the GN, but for brevity in this and in the next cases, we will omit the indices.

$$Z_1 = < \{l_2\}, \{l_1, l_2\}, \frac{l_1}{l_2} \mid \begin{array}{c|c} l_1 & l_2 \\ \hline W_{2,1} & true \end{array} >,$$

where

$$W_{2,1} = “\bar{c}(l_3, TIME) + \bar{c}(l_4, TIME) + \bar{c}(l_5, TIME) + \bar{c}(l_{12}, TIME) > 0”$$

(where  $\bar{c}(l, TIME)$  is the number of tokens in place  $l$  in the current moment  $TIME$ ), if we like the model to calculate delays in each step, or  $W_{2,1}$  is a condition that determine the time-moments in which the moment  $TIME - DELAY$ .

Token  $\delta$  splits to two tokens – token  $\delta$  that continues to stay in place  $l_2$  and token  $\delta'$  that enters place  $l_1$  with characteristic

“current value of a delay”.

$$Z_2 = < \{l_1, l_3, l_4, l_5, l_7, l_{12}\}, \{l_6, l_7\}, \frac{l_6}{l_7} \mid \begin{array}{c|cc} l_6 & l_7 \\ \hline l_1 & true & true \\ l_3 & true & true \\ l_4 & true & true \\ l_5 & true & true \\ l_7 & false & true \\ l_{12} & true & false \end{array} > .$$

Tokens  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta'$  enter place  $l_7$  and there they are collected, generating a protocol of the process. On the other hand, all these tokens split to two tokens

– the above mentioned ones and tokens  $\alpha', \beta', \gamma', \delta''$  that enter place  $l_6$ , where they merge in one token (let us mark it by  $\alpha$ ). This token also unites with the  $\alpha$ -token when it enters place  $l_6$  from place  $l_{12}$ . The new  $\alpha$ -token obtains as a new characteristic

$$\text{“the } i\text{-th component } x_i(t) = x_i(t_0 + 0) + \int_{t_0}^t F_i(s) ds, , \quad t \in (t_0, t_1]”.$$

$$Z_3 = < \{l_8\}, \{l_8, l_9\}, \frac{l_8}{l_8} \left| \begin{array}{c} l_8 \\ true \end{array} \right. \frac{l_9}{W_{8,9}} >,$$

where

$$W_{8,9} = \text{“}\bar{c}(l_6, TIME) > 0\text{”}.$$

If we like the model to calculate  $t_k$  and  $P_{ik}$  in each step, or  $W_{8,9}$ , then the condition determines the time-moments in which the solution is subject to instantaneous perturbations at moment  $t_k$  with magnitude  $P_{ik}$ .

Token  $\varepsilon$  splits to two tokens –  $\varepsilon$  that continues staying in place  $l_8$ , and token  $\varepsilon'$  that enters place  $l_9$  with a characteristic

$$\text{“current value of the function } P_{ik}\text{”}.$$

$$Z_4 = < \{l_6, l_9\}, \{l_{10}\}, \frac{l_6}{l_9} \left| \begin{array}{c} l_{10} \\ true \\ true \end{array} \right. > .$$

The  $\alpha$ -token and the  $\varepsilon'$ -tokens unite under the name  $\alpha$  in place  $l_{10}$  with characteristic

$$\text{“the } i\text{-th component after the impulse effect at } t_k\text{:”}$$

$$x_i(t_k + 0) = x_i(t_k) + P_{ik}(x_i(t_k)).$$

$$Z_5 = < \{l_{10}, l_{13}\}, \{l_{11}, l_{12}, l_{13}\}, \frac{l_{10}}{l_{13}} \left| \begin{array}{ccc} l_{11} & l_{12} & l_{13} \\ W_{10,11} & W_{10,12} & true \\ false & false & true \end{array} \right. >,$$

where the forms of the predicates will be discussed below.

Each  $\alpha$ -token from place  $l_{10}$  splits and one of the new tokens (let us mark it by  $\alpha^*$ ) enters place  $l_{13}$  with characteristic

$$x_s^\alpha = \text{“}x_s^\alpha(t; t_0, \varphi) = (x_{s1}^\alpha(t; t_0, \varphi), \dots, x_{sn}^\alpha(t; t_0, \varphi))^T,$$

where  $s$  is the current number of the  $\alpha^*$ -token and

$$x_{si}^\alpha(t) = x_{si}^\alpha(t_k + 0) + \int_{t_k}^t F_{si}^\alpha(s) ds, \quad t \in (t_k, t_{k+1}],$$

$i = 1, 2, \dots, n, k = 1, 2, \dots$ . These  $\alpha$ -tokens are collected in place  $l_{13}$  and their characteristics are used in the process of the calculation of the truth-values of the predicates  $W_{10,11}$  and  $W_{10,12}$ . The second token, generated by the current  $\alpha$ -token, is directed to place  $l_{11}$  or  $l_{12}$  with respect to the truth-values of predicates  $W_{10,11}$  and  $W_{10,12}$ , that have the forms:

$$W_{10,11} = "||x_s^\alpha - x^*|| < \varepsilon",$$

where  $\varepsilon$  is the constant, given as an initial characteristic of the current  $\alpha$ -token, and

$$W_{10,12} = \neg W_{10,11},$$

where  $\neg P$  is the negation of predicate  $P$ .

When  $W_{10,12}$  has truth-value *true*, i.e., when

$$||x_s^\alpha - x^*|| \geq \varepsilon,$$

the  $\alpha$ -token enters place  $l_{12}$  without a new characteristic and the procedure repeats.

## 4 Conclusion

The so constructed GN-model gives us possibility not only to describe the process of functioning of a IDNN, but we can use it for organizing the simultaneous work of some (of course, finite number) of NNs. If we construct GN-models of some NNs, these models can exchange values, calculated in their frameworks, search for optimal or extremal values among these, calculated in them, and investigate the global exponential stability of the equilibrium points.

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