Tracking Control of Wheeled Mobile Robots Using Fuzzy CMAC Neural Networks

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Abstract

This paper investigates the trajectory tracking control problem of wheeled mobile robots. First, the analytic Bspline function is used to generate a smooth feasible trajectory between the initial and the desired configurations so that the motion path can pass through the desired intermediate points to satisfy the kinematic constraints and curvature restrictions. Given the desired B-spline trajectory, the corresponding reduced dynamics can be used to design the control law for the privileged coordinates. Although the privileged coordinates can be driven to the desired values, the postured coordinates may significantly deviate from the reference values if the initial conditions are not appropriately provided, or there are disturbances during the motion. To solve this problem, the fuzzy control results are presented from the practical experience of driving to steer the postured coordinates in a kinematic level. To enhance the robot tracking performance and assure the error convergence, the robust adaptation laws for the FCMAC and compensated controller are derived from the stability analysis. Finally, an illustrated example shows the performance of the proposed trajectory tracking robot control scheme.

Keywords: Tracking control, Mobile robot, B-spline function, Fuzzy control, FCMAC

1 Introduction

The purpose of motion planning is to generate a reasonable path that can connect the initial posture (i.e., the position and orientation of the robot) and the final one so that no collisions with obstacles would occur and the kinematic constraints are satisfied. *B*-spline curves [1-4] have completed properties, such as having a small set of control points, being locally refined without changing their global shape, and having a convex hull, which make them suitable for representation forms in trajectory planning [5-6]. Nonholonomic properties most commonly appear in mechanical systems where the non-integration constraints are imposed on the motions. The non-integration of the nonholonomic constraints makes the tracking control

of mobile robots [7-8] with rolling and non-slipping wheels notably difficult. With Brockett's necessary stability conditions [9-10], a nonholonomic system with the under- actuated property cannot be asymptotically stabilized to a desired configuration using any smooth time-invariant state feedback. Alternatively, the kinematic equations are sometimes treated as a control problem, and one attempts to design the so-called kinematic controller, where the discontinuous feedback [11-12], time-varying feedback [13], hybrid feedback [14], sliding-mode control [15] and feedback linearization [16] may be used. However, the control for a kinematical model usually ignores the mass and inertia of the physical systems. The control inputs of the kinematics do not concern the actual applied force or torque with no physical significance; thus, the designs are considered impractical. Therefore, developing a complete controller structure for the nonholonomic systems should simultaneously consider the kinematic model and dynamic model. Fierro and Lewis [17] integrated a kinematic controller and a torque controller to stabilize a nonholonomic mobile robot, where there was the system uncertainty. Ge and Zhou [18] and Dong and Huo [19] investigated the point stabilization problems for the uncertain dynamic model and kinematic skew symmetric chained form of the wheeled mobile robot; then, they designed the adaptive controller for the combined system. An intelligent controller is considered an effective tool for wheeled mobile robots, where neuron-based adaptive control [20], GA (genetic algorithms) [21-22] based fuzzy control [23-24], and EP (evolutionary programming)-based kinematic control were studied.

In this paper, we use the cubic *B*-spline function to plan the trajectory of the mobile robot. We apply the constrained optimization method to solve the control points of the *B*-spline curve so that the motion path can pass through the desired intermediate points and satisfy the kinematic constraints and curvature restrictions. Next, we develop a feasible and practical methodology of controller design, which appropriately accommodates the dynamics and kinematic constraints. The adaptive fuzzy cerebellar model arithmetic controller (FCMAC) is considered in the dynamical

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level, where the dynamic parameters of the mobile robot are supposed to be uncertain. The practical experience of driving can be embedded in the fuzzy logic-based system in the kinematical level. A fuzzy rule mechanism is established to compensate the desired values of the privileged coordinates. A new set of reference values for the privileged coordinates is computed; then, the FCMAC controller in the dynamical level is invoked to track the new reference, which in turn drives the postured coordinates to the desired B-spline curve. By [25], our proposed methods can be applied to dealing with text strings in the future work. Text strings are widely used as identifiers in our daily lives, such as Internet access accounts and passwords, email addresses, car license plates and credit cards. When a group of identifiers is associated with a certain characteristic, it becomes imperative to find out whether a random identifier belongs to this group for some applications. The objective of the proposed scheme is to achieve prompt responses, indicating membership of a query string and its associative attributes at the same time.

The remainder of this paper is organized as follows. In Section 2, we describe the practical problem of tracking a desired trajectory for a three-wheeled mobile robot. In Section 3, the trajectory-planning problem can be converted into a constrained optimization problem, and the control points of the *B*-spline curve can be solved by means of the constrained optimization algorithm. We use the fuzzy logic system to design the compensated value of the privileged velocities, and the adaptive FCMAC is developed for the dynamical model. Simulation examples are presented in Section 4. Finally, some concluding comments on the trajectorytracking problem are provided in Section 5.

2 Motion Equations for Mobile Robots

The variables in this paper are listed in the Appendix A. The practical problem to be solved in this paper is the tracking of a desired trajectory for a three-wheeled mobile robot, whose configuration is shown in Figure 1. Let us consider the mobile robot that moves on a horizontal plane, which is driven by two actuated wheels with fixed orientation and supported by a castor wheel with varying orientation, as shown in Figure 2. The system may be modeled by a platform (body p) with mass m_p , width b and length l, attached to two rolling-without-sliding wheels (bodies 1 & 2) of identical mass m_w and radius a. The masses of the rim of each wheel and platform are denoted by m'_{w} and m'_{n} , respectively. Let b denote the width of the two wheels and ρ_r be the distance between point Q_r and the mass center of platform C_p .



Figure 1. A three-wheeled mobile robot



Figure 2. Configuration of the mobile robot

2.1 Kinematic Equation of the Wheeled Mobile Robots

Six variables $(x_i, y_i, z_i, \theta_i, \psi_i, \varphi_i, i = 1, 2, p)$ are used here to describe the configuration of body *i*. Therefore, there are generally eighteen variables to be specified for the system. However, because of the physical constraints, the number may be reduced. Assuming that the motion is horizontal, we have (i) $z_1 = a$; (ii) $z_2 = a$; (iii) $z_p = h_p$. The platform is assumed to remain horizontal so that (iv) $\varphi_p = 0$ and (v) $\psi_p = 0$. If the wheels are properly aligned, the camber angles for the wheels vanish: (vi) $\psi_1 = 0$; (vii) $\psi_2 = 0$. Moreover, if the steering mechanism is set, we impose additional constraints on the heading angles: (viii) $\theta_1 = \theta_2 (\equiv \theta)$; (ix) $\theta_2 = \theta_p$. From the geometry of the interconnected bodies (Figure 2), we have the last four geometric constraints:

$$(x) x_{2} = x_{1} + 2b\sin\theta,$$

$$(xi) y_{2} = y_{1} - 2b\cos\theta,$$

$$(xii) x_{p} = x_{1} + b\sin\theta + \rho_{r}\cos\theta,$$

$$(xiii) y_{n} = y_{1} - b\cos\theta + \rho_{r}\sin\theta.$$
(1)

Finally, the wheels roll without sliding or slipping, which is realized by the following constraints:

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x}_1 &= a\dot{\varphi}_1 \cos\theta_1, \\ \dot{y}_1 &= a\dot{\varphi}_1 \sin\theta_1, \\ \dot{x}_2 &= a\dot{\varphi}_2 \cos\theta_2, \\ \dot{y}_2 &= a\dot{\varphi}_2 \sin\theta_2. \end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

Because of the geometric constraint (viii), the previous four kinematic constraints (2) can be converted to the following three independent constraints:

$$(xiv) \dot{x}_{1} \cos \theta + \dot{y}_{1} \sin \theta = a\dot{\phi}_{1},$$

$$(xv) \dot{x}_{1} \sin \theta - \dot{y}_{1} \cos \theta = 0,$$

$$(xvi) a\dot{\phi}_{1} + 2b\dot{\theta} = a\dot{\phi}_{2}$$
(3)

Condition (xvi) can be integrated to a geometric condition: (xvi') $a\varphi_1 + 2b\theta = a\varphi_2 +$ (a constant). However, Conditions (xiv) and (xv) are not integrated, so the system is subject to two nonholonomic constraints.

Now, we derive the kinematic equations for the system of a wheeled mobile robot as shown in Figure 2. To describe the motion in terms of the coordinates of Q_r (the centers of the left and right wheels), $x_r = x_1 + b \sin \theta$ and $y_r = y_1 - b \cos \theta$ are used. We have

$$\dot{x}_{r}\cos\theta + \dot{y}_{r}\sin\theta - a\dot{\varphi}_{1} - b\theta = 0,$$

$$\dot{x}_{r}\sin\theta - \dot{y}_{r}\cos\theta = 0$$
(4)

We transform the above equations into the matrix form $\mathbf{D}\dot{\mathbf{q}} = 0$, where the generalized coordinate $\mathbf{q} = [x_r, y_r, \varphi_1, \theta]^T$ and two nonholonomic conditions (xiv) and (xv) may be rewritten in the form of a 2×4 coefficient matrix **D**

$$\mathbf{D} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta & \sin\theta & -a & -b \\ \sin\theta & -\cos\theta & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
(5)

The variable θ appears in the elements of **D**; hence, it must be selected as a privileged coordinate; otherwise, the dynamical system may not be reducible. The other independent privileged velocity is $\dot{\phi}_1$, on which the control torque τ_1 directly acts, i.e., $\mathbf{u} = (\dot{\phi}_1, \dot{\theta})$. The kinematic equation $\dot{\mathbf{q}} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{u}$ for the non-privileged velocities \dot{x}_r and \dot{y}_r can be derived with coefficient matrix **A**

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} a\cos\theta & a\sin\theta & 1 & 0\\ b\cos\theta & b\sin\theta & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^T$$
(6)

Accordingly, in terms of $u_1 = \dot{\phi}_1$ and $u_2 = \theta$, the kinematic equation $\dot{\mathbf{q}} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{u}$ of the three-wheeled mobile robots can be expressed as

$$\dot{x}_r = (au_1 + bu_2)\cos\theta, \ \dot{y}_r = (au_1 + bu_2)\sin\theta \ \dot{\phi}_1 = u_1, \ \dot{\theta} = u_2$$
 (7)

2.2 Dynamic Equation of Wheeled Mobile Robots

According to Tsai [26], we have the dynamical equations of the following form

$$\begin{bmatrix} M_{11} & M_{12} \\ M_{21} & M_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \ddot{\phi}_1 \\ \ddot{\theta} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} C_{11} & C_{12} \\ C_{21} & C_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \dot{\phi}_1 \\ \dot{\theta} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} B_{11} & B_{12} \\ B_{21} & B_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \tau_1 \\ \tau_2 \end{bmatrix}.$$
(8)

Taking the state variables $x_1 = \varphi_1$, $x_2 = \dot{\varphi}_1$, $x_3 = \theta$, $x_4 = \dot{\theta}$, (x_1 : the left wheel's rotational position, x_2 : the left wheel's rotational velocity, x_3 : the heading angles, x_4 : the heading angles velocity) the dynamical equation may be changed into the following form

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}) + \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x})\boldsymbol{\tau} , \qquad (9)$$

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where

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$$\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ -\bar{M}_{11}(C_{11}x_2 + C_{12}x_4) - \bar{M}_{12}(C_{21}x_2 + C_{22}x_4) \\ x_4 \\ -\bar{M}_{21}(C_{11}x_2 + C_{12}x_4) - \bar{M}_{22}(C_{21}x_2 + C_{22}x_4) \end{bmatrix},$$
(10)

$$\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ \bar{M}_{11}B_{11} + \bar{M}_{12}B_{21} & \bar{M}_{11}B_{12} + \bar{M}_{12}B_{22} \\ 0 & 0 \\ \bar{M}_{21}B_{11} + \bar{M}_{22}B_{21} & \bar{M}_{21}B_{12} + \bar{M}_{22}B_{22} \end{bmatrix}, \quad (11)$$

and $\begin{bmatrix} M_{11} & M_{12} \\ M_{21} & M_{22} \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \overline{M}_{11} & \overline{M}_{12} \\ \overline{M}_{21} & \overline{M}_{22} \end{bmatrix}.$ The details can be referred to Tasi IC

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3 Design of the Controller

Let us consider the hierarchical model constructed by an under-actuated kinematical equation and a dynamical equation (9). The structure of the developed methodology consists of the adaptive FCMAC controller in the dynamical level and fuzzy logic compensator in the kinematical level. The objective of the design is to obtain a hierarchical controller that enables the system to track a reference B-spline trajectory and satisfies the geometric and kinematic constraints. Here, the adaptive controller is used because it can address the parameter uncertainties so that the privileged velocities $(\mathbf{u} = [v, w])$ can be stabilized to the desired values. However, this effort does not guarantee the convergence of the position and orientation ($\xi = [x, y, \theta]$) of the mobile robot to the desired values if the initial postured coordinates are not appropriately set or there are some disturbances during the motion. To overcome this problem, we propose a fuzzy logic system to reason the compensated values

for the desired privileged velocities from the kinematics. A new set of reference values for the privileged velocities is obtained. Then, the mentioned adaptive FCMAC controller is invoked to track the new reference, which steers the postured coordinates to the desired values and control the *B*-spline trajectory tracking. The block diagram of the proposed control structure for the trajectory-tracking task is shown in Figure 3.



Figure 3. Block diagram of the *B*-spline tracking control

3.1 Fuzzy Logic Compensator in the Kinematical Level

Consider the following fuzzy logic system:

$$R_{i}: IF \quad d_{e} = A_{i} \quad and \quad \theta_{e} = B_{i} \quad and \quad \theta_{e} = C_{i}$$
$$THEN \quad \Delta v = D_{i}, \quad \Delta w = E_{i}$$

where A_i , B_i , C_i , D_i and E_i are fuzzy sets for the *i*th rule; d_e is the error distance between the current position and the desired position; θ_e is the error angle between the current and the desired heading angles; θ_e is the orientation angle from the current position to the desired position; Δv and Δw are the compensated values of the linear velocity and angular velocity of the vertical axis at point Q of the rear wheels, respectively. We define the posture error vector ξ_e in the body frame as a coordinate transformation of the difference between the desired and the current postures in the inertial frame, which is described in Figure 4.

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_e \\ y_e \\ \theta_e \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & \sin\theta & 0 \\ -\sin\theta & \cos\theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_d - x \\ y_d - y \\ \theta_d - \theta \end{bmatrix},$$
 (12)

where

$$\begin{aligned} x_e &= \cos(x_d - x) + \sin(y_d - y), \\ y_e &= -\sin(x_d - x) + \cos(y_d - y), \\ \theta_e &= \theta_d - \theta. \end{aligned}$$



Figure 4. Error configuration in the body frame

 x, y, θ is the current position, x_d, y_d, θ_d is the desired position. The distance from the current position to the desired position is denoted by $d_e = \sqrt{x_e^2 + y_e^2}$, and the corresponding orientation angle is expressed as $\vartheta_e = \tan^{-1} \frac{y_e}{x_e}$, which shall be termed the path angle and is different from the heading angle error θ_e . The kinematic compensator is established which adopt the idea of fuzzy logic system based on human knowledge and experiences. The sets of input variables of the fuzzy system are chosen as $(d_e, \vartheta_e, \theta_e)$.

To improve the tracking performance, we incorporate three input variables ($d_e = \sqrt{x_e^2 + y_e^2}$, $\theta_e = \theta_d - \theta$ and $\vartheta_e = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{y_e}{x_e} \right)$) into our antecedent part of the fuzzy rules, and the consequent part of the fuzzy rules generate two output variables $\Delta \mathbf{u} =$ $[\Delta v, \Delta w]$. Clearly, from this description, the magnitude of d_e is used to determine the compensated value of linear velocity Δv . For the compensated angular velocity Δw , two variables θ_e and ∇_e should be simultaneously considered. If only θ_e is considered, a desired tracking performance cannot be guaranteed for the mobile robot. It may go forward in parallel with the reference trajectory. However, if only ∇_e is considered, the compensated value Δw of the fuzzy inference will experience a high-frequency switch (chattering phenomenon) near the reference trajectory.

In this paper, the fuzzy logic compensation is proposed, which integrates the expert experiences into the design process using linguistic rules. The fuzzy set of linguistic values is denoted as follows: $A_i = \{ZE, PS, \}$

PM, PB}; B_i = {PB, PM, PS, ZE, NS, NM, NB}; C_i = {P, Z, N}; D_i = {ZE, PS, PM, PB}; E_i = {PB, PM, PS, ZE, NS, NM, NB}.

Now, we specify seven linguistic values PB, PM, PS, ZE, NS, NM, and NB, which correspond to "Positive Big", "Positive Medium", "Positive Small", "Zero", "Negative Small", "Negative Medium", and "Negative Big", respectively. The membership functions of the linguistic values and their ranges are shown in Figure 5, where the triangular, trapezoid and singleton are used to describe the antecedent and consequent fuzzy sets.



Figure 5. Membership functions of fuzzy sets A_i , B_i , C_i , D_i and E_i

The fuzzy logic compensator is a rule-based system constructed from a collection of IF-THEN rules, which are designed based on human knowledge and experiences. We use straightforward ideas to constitute the inference mechanisms of the compensated linear velocity Δv and angular velocity Δw , and we provide the following tuning rules: (R_1) : IF d_a is close to zero, THEN Δv is close to zero; (R_2) : $IF|\mathcal{G}_e|$ is large, THEN Δv is close to zero. (R₃): IF $|\mathcal{G}_{e}|$ or $|\mathcal{G}_{e}|$ gradually increases, *THEN* the compensated value Δv gradually decreases; (R₄): IF \mathcal{P}_e is close to zero, THEN Δw is close to zero; (R_5): IF d_e is large, THEN Δw is close to zero; (R_6) : IF d_e gradually increases, THEN the compensated value Δw gradually decreases. (R_7): IF d_e is close to zero, *THEN* the compensated value Δw absolutely depends on θ_{e} .

The fuzzy rule (Table 1) bases are given as follows. There are 28×3 rules in total to decide the compensated values of the linear velocity and angular velocity of the wheeled mobile robots. The defuzzification process uses the center-of-gravity approach.

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	NB	ZE	PS	ZE	NM	ZE	NS	ZE	ZE		NB	ZE	ZE	ZE	NM	ZE	NS	ZE	ZE		NB	ZE	NB	ZE	NM	ZE	NS	ZE	ZE

Table 1. Table of fuzzy rules

Now, we denote $\mathbf{u}_c = \mathbf{u}_d + \Delta \mathbf{u}$ as the new reference value for the privileged velocities. Then, the FCMAC in the dynamical level is invoked to track the new reference. It can enable the privileged velocities in the dynamical model to smoothly follow the new desired value of \mathbf{u}_c ; more importantly, it can make the posture coordinates $\boldsymbol{\xi}$ in the kinematical model simultaneously follow the desired trajectory.

3.2 Fuzzy CMAC Compensator in the Dynamical Level

(1) FCMAC

This section introduces the FCMAC. The basic

multivariable CMAC is designed to provide the output as

$$\mathbf{z}_{CMAC} = F(\mathbf{s})$$

where $F: \mathbb{R}^{L} \to \mathbb{R}^{m}$ is a nonlinear function of the CMAC, the input variable is $\mathbf{s} = [s_{1} \cdots s_{L}]^{T} \in S \subset \mathbb{R}^{L}$ with the input space *S* and output variable $\mathbf{z}_{CMAC} = [\mathbf{z}_{CMAC1} \cdots \mathbf{z}_{CMACm}]^{T} \in Z \subset \mathbb{R}^{m}$. Figure 6 shows a simplified two-dimensional FCMAC. In the two-dimensional case, we can uniformly divide the bounded region into 4 elements: (-x, x) for variable s_{1} and (-y, y) for variable s_{2} . With this type of partition,

we have 16 labeled sub-regions in Figure 6. Each variable consists of three layers, and each layer contains two blocks. A block can accumulate some elements. For example, block D in the 2^{nd} layer for input variable s_1 accumulates elements x2, x3 and x4. However, block C contains only element x1. Similarly, for input variables s_1 and s_2 , block f accumulates elements y3 and y4. From the above descriptions, we have blocks A, B, C, D, E, F, a, b, c, d, e and f, i.e., 6 blocks {A, B, C, D, E, F} for input variable s_1 and 6 blocks {a, b, c, d, e, f} for input variable s_2 . The *receptive fields* are formed by the blocks and denoted as [Aa, Ab, Ba, Bb, Cc, Cd, Dc, Dd, Ee, Ef, Fe, Ff].



Figure 6. FCMAC architecture

The following Gaussian function is commonly used to describe the blocks and known as the *receptive-field functions*:

$$\phi(s) = e^{-\left[\frac{(s-m)^2}{\sigma^2}\right]},$$
(13)

where *m* and σ are the mean and variance of the Gaussian function, respectively. Furthermore, the *multidimensional receptive-field functions* are represented by

$$\begin{aligned} &A(s_1)a(s_2), A(s_1)b(s_2), B(s_1)a(s_2), B(s_1)b(s_2), \\ &C(s_1)c(s_2), C(s_1)d(s_2), D(s_1)c(s_2), D(s_1)d(s_2), \\ &E(s_1)e(s_2), E(s_1)f(s_2), F(s_1)e(s_2), F(s_1)f(s_2). \end{aligned}$$

In Figure 6, we can assign a fuzzy set in each block, e.g., A11 for block A, A22 for block D, B32 for block f, and B21 for block c. The remaining fuzzy sets can be easily found from Figure 6. Therefore, we can describe the FCMAC system as a fuzzy system for each layer:

(m,j,k)-rules: *IF* $s_1 = A_{mj}$ and $s_2 = B_{mk}$, *THEN* $y = w_{mjk}$, where (m,j,k) denotes the m^{th} layer (m=1,2,3), the j^{th} block for s_1 (j=1,2), the k^{th} block for s_2 (k=1,2) and weight w_{mik} .

The multidimensional receptive-field function in this paper is defined by

$$\overline{\phi}_{mjk} = \frac{\phi_{mjk}}{\sum_{m=1}^{n_l} \sum_{j=1}^{n_s} \sum_{k=1}^{n_s} \phi_{mjk}} = \frac{\phi_{mjk}}{\sum_{m=1}^{3} \sum_{j=1}^{2} \sum_{k=1}^{2} \phi_{mjk}},$$
 (14)

where n_l and n_B are the total number of layers and number of blocks in each layer, respectively, and

$$\phi_{mjk} = A_{mj}(s_1) \cdot B_{mk}(s_2),$$
 (15)

$$A_{mj}(s_1) = e^{-\left[\frac{(s_1 - m_{mj})^2}{\sigma_{mj}^2}\right]}, \ B_{mk}(s_2) = e^{-\left[\frac{(s_2 - m_{mk})^2}{\sigma_{mk}^2}\right]}.$$
 (16)

Finally, the output of the FCMAC is

$$\mathbf{z}_{CMAC} = \sum_{m=1}^{3} \sum_{j=1}^{2} \sum_{k=1}^{2} \overline{\phi}_{mjk} w_{mjk} = \mathbf{\Phi} \mathbf{w} , \qquad (17)$$

where

$$\boldsymbol{\Phi} = [\overline{\phi}_{111}, \overline{\phi}_{112}, \overline{\phi}_{121}, \overline{\phi}_{122}, \overline{\phi}_{211}, \overline{\phi}_{212}, \overline{\phi}_{221}, \overline{\phi}_{222}, \overline{\phi}_{311}, \overline{\phi}_{312}, \overline{\phi}_{321}, \overline{\phi}_{322}],$$
(18)

$$\mathbf{w} = [w_{111}, w_{12}, w_{121}, w_{122}, w_{211}, w_{212}, w_{221}, w_{222}, w_{311}, w_{312}, w_{321}, w_{322}]^{T}.$$
(19)

The weight vector **w** of the FCMAC is adjustable.

Consider the following Multi-Input Multi-Output (MIMO) system:

$$y^{(r)} = f(x)+G(x)u+d(x,t)$$
, (20)

where $\mathbf{r} = [r_1, r_2, \dots, r_m];$ $\mathbf{y} = [y_1, y_2, \dots, y_m]^T;$ $\mathbf{y}^{(\mathbf{r})} = [y_1^{(r_1)}, y_2^{(r_2)}, \dots, y_m^{(r_m)}]^T;$ $\sum_{i=1}^m r_i = n;$ the control input is $\mathbf{u} = [u_1, u_2, \dots, u_m]^T$; the state vector is

$$= [x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n]$$

$$= [y_1, \dot{y}_1, \dots, y_1^{(r_1-1)}, y_2, \dot{y}_2, \dots, y_2^{(r_2-1)}, \dots, y_m, \dot{y}_m, \dots, y_m^{(r_m-1)}],$$
(21)

nonlinear function vector $\mathbf{f} = [f_1(\mathbf{x}), f_2(\mathbf{x}), \dots, f_m(\mathbf{x})]^T$; disturbance $\mathbf{d}(\mathbf{x}, t) = [d_1(\mathbf{x}, t), d_2(\mathbf{x}, t), \dots, d_m(\mathbf{x}, t)]^T$; nonlinear function matrix

$$\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}) = \left[\mathbf{g}_1(\mathbf{x}), \mathbf{g}_2(\mathbf{x}), \cdots, \mathbf{g}_m(\mathbf{x})\right]^{T},$$

where

$$\mathbf{g}_{i}(\mathbf{x}) = \left[g_{i1}(x), g_{i2}(x), \cdots, g_{im}(x)\right], \quad i = 1, 2, \cdots, m (\mathbf{22})$$

The MIMO system can be rewritten as

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_{1}^{(r_{1})} \\ y_{2}^{(r_{2})} \\ \vdots \\ y_{m}^{(r_{m})} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f_{1} \\ f_{2} \\ \vdots \\ f_{m} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{g}_{1} \\ \mathbf{g}_{2} \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{g}_{m} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_{1} \\ u_{2} \\ \vdots \\ u_{m} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} d_{1} \\ d_{2} \\ \vdots \\ d_{m} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} f_{1} \\ f_{2} \\ \vdots \\ f_{m} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} g_{11} & g_{12} & \cdots & g_{1m} \\ g_{21} & g_{22} & \cdots & g_{2m} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ g_{m1} & g_{m2} & \cdots & g_{mm} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_{1} \\ u_{2} \\ \vdots \\ u_{m} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} d_{1} \\ d_{2} \\ \vdots \\ d_{m} \end{bmatrix}$$
(23)

In this paper, the control input is defined by

$$\mathbf{u} = \left(\overline{\mathbf{G}} + \widehat{\mathbf{G}}\right)^{-1} \left[-\overline{\mathbf{f}} - \widehat{\mathbf{f}} + \mathbf{y}_d^{(r)} + \mathbf{\Lambda}^T \mathbf{e} + \mathbf{u}_r \right], \qquad (24)$$

where **e** is the tracking error vector and defined as $\mathbf{e} = [\mathbf{e}_1^T \mathbf{e}_2^T \cdots \mathbf{e}_m^T] \in \mathbb{R}^n; \mathbf{e}_i = [(y_{di} - y_i)(\dot{y}_{di} - \dot{y}_i) \cdots (y_{di}^{(r_i-1)} - y_i^{(r_i-1)})], i$ $= 1, ..., m, \sum_{i=1}^m r_i = n. \Lambda$ is a designed positive constant matrix such that the tracking error vector will

exponentially converge to an arbitrarily small residual set, where

$$\mathbf{\Lambda}^{T} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{\Lambda}_{1}^{T} & \mathbf{0} & \cdots & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{\Lambda}_{2}^{T} & \cdots & \mathbf{0} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \cdots & \mathbf{\Lambda}_{m}^{T} \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}, \text{ and}$$
$$\mathbf{\Lambda}_{i}^{T} = \begin{bmatrix} -\lambda_{i1} & -\lambda_{i2} & \cdots & -\lambda_{ir_{i}} \end{bmatrix}$$

 $\hat{\mathbf{G}} = \hat{\mathbf{G}}(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{w})$ and $\hat{\mathbf{f}} = \hat{\mathbf{f}}(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{w})$ are constructed by FCMACs to estimate the system uncertainties [27]; $\overline{\mathbf{G}}$ and $\overline{\mathbf{f}}$ are the nominal models; \mathbf{u}_r is the robust control vector; $\mathbf{y}_d^{(\mathbf{r})}$ is the desired output vector. Applying the control input to the MIMO system, we have

$$\mathbf{y}_{d}^{(r)} - \mathbf{y}^{(r)} = \mathbf{e}^{(r)} = -\Lambda^{T} \mathbf{e} + \left(\overline{\mathbf{f}} + \hat{\mathbf{f}} - \mathbf{f}\right) + \left(\overline{\mathbf{G}} + \hat{\mathbf{G}} - \mathbf{G}\right)\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{u}_{r} - \mathbf{d}, \quad (25)$$

where $\hat{\mathbf{f}}$ and $\hat{\mathbf{G}}$ are the uncertainties of dynamics, which are constructed by FCMACs to estimate the system uncertainties in this paper.

After some manipulations, we have

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{\mathbf{e}}_{1} \\ \dot{\mathbf{e}}_{2} \\ \vdots \\ \dot{\mathbf{e}}_{m} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A}_{1} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{A}_{2} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \ddots & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{A}_{m} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{e}_{1} \\ \mathbf{e}_{2} \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{e}_{m} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{b}_{1} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{b}_{2} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \ddots & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{b}_{m} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} (\overline{f}_{1} + \hat{f}_{1} - f_{1}) + (\overline{\mathbf{g}}_{1} + \hat{\mathbf{g}}_{1} - \mathbf{g}_{1})u_{1} - u_{r1} - d_{1} \\ (\overline{f}_{2} + \hat{f}_{2} - f_{2}) + (\overline{\mathbf{g}}_{2} + \hat{\mathbf{g}}_{2} - \mathbf{g}_{2})u_{2} - u_{r2} - d_{2} \\ \vdots \\ (\overline{f}_{m} + \hat{f}_{m} - f_{m}) + (\overline{\mathbf{g}}_{m} + \hat{\mathbf{g}}_{m} - \mathbf{g}_{m})u_{m} - u_{rm} - d_{m} \end{bmatrix}$$
(26)

We further assume that

$$f_{i} + \mathbf{g}_{i}u_{i} = (\overline{f}_{i} + \widehat{f}_{i}^{*}) + (\overline{\mathbf{g}}_{i} + \widehat{\mathbf{g}}_{i}^{*})u_{i} + \varepsilon_{i}$$

$$= (\overline{f}_{i} + \Phi_{f_{i}}\mathbf{w}_{f_{i}}^{*}) + (\overline{\mathbf{g}}_{i} + \Phi_{g_{i}}\mathbf{w}_{g_{i}}^{*})u_{i} + \varepsilon_{i} \quad i = 1, 2, \cdots, m$$
(27)

 \hat{f}_i^* and $\hat{\mathbf{g}}_i^*$ are the optimal scheme to approximate \hat{f}_i and $\hat{\mathbf{g}}_i$, $\mathbf{w}_{f_i}^*$ and $\mathbf{w}_{\mathbf{g}_i}^*$ are the optimal weight vector. For the mean of $\boldsymbol{\Phi}_{f_i}$ and $\boldsymbol{\Phi}_{\mathbf{g}_i}$, one may refer to equation (17); ε_i denotes their difference and is called the approximation error. $|\varepsilon_i| \leq E_i$, $E_i > 0$; we can obtain the following vector notation

$$\mathbf{f} + \mathbf{G}\mathbf{u} = \left(\overline{\mathbf{f}} + \hat{\mathbf{f}}^*\right) + \left(\overline{\mathbf{G}} + \hat{\mathbf{G}}^*\right)\mathbf{u} + \varepsilon, \ \left|\varepsilon\right| \le \mathbf{E}.$$
 (28)

(2) MIMO robust adaptive control design Define a Lyapunov function as

$$V = \sum_{i=1}^{m} V_i , \qquad (29)$$

$$V_{i} = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{e}_{i}^{T} \mathbf{P}_{i} \mathbf{e}_{i} + \frac{1}{2\gamma_{f}} \tilde{\mathbf{w}}_{f}^{T} \tilde{\mathbf{w}}_{f} + \frac{1}{2\gamma_{g}} \tilde{\mathbf{w}}_{g}^{T} \tilde{\mathbf{w}}_{g} + \frac{1}{2\gamma_{g}} \tilde{\mathbf{z}}_{i}^{2}, \qquad (30)$$

where $\tilde{\mathbf{w}}_{f_i} = \mathbf{w}_{f_i} - \mathbf{w}_{f_i}^*$, $\tilde{\mathbf{w}}_{g_i} = \mathbf{w}_{g_i} - \mathbf{w}_{g_i}^*$, and $\tilde{E}_i = \hat{E}_i - E_i$, where \hat{E}_i is the estimated upper bound, and $\mathbf{w}_{f_i}^*$, $\mathbf{w}_{g_i}^*$ are constant optimal weight vectors. The positive definite matrix \mathbf{P}_i satisfies the following Lyapunov equation: $\mathbf{A}_i^T \mathbf{P}_i + \mathbf{P}_i \mathbf{A}_i = -\mathbf{Q}_i$, where \mathbf{Q}_i is a given positive definite matrix. Taking the derivative of V with respect to time, we obtain

$$\dot{V}_{i} = -\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{e}_{i}^{T} \mathbf{Q}_{i} \mathbf{e}_{i} - \mathbf{e}_{i}^{T} \mathbf{P} \mathbf{b}_{i} u_{ii} - \mathbf{e}_{i}^{T} \mathbf{P}_{i} \mathbf{b}_{i} \varepsilon_{i} + \frac{1}{\gamma_{e_{i}}} (\hat{E}_{i} - E_{i}) \dot{\hat{E}}_{i} + \frac{1}{\gamma_{e_{i}}} (\gamma_{e_{i}} \mathbf{e}_{i}^{T} \mathbf{P}_{i} \mathbf{b}_{i} \Phi_{e_{i}} u_{i} + \dot{\mathbf{w}}_{e_{i}}^{T}) \tilde{\mathbf{w}}_{e_{i}} + \frac{1}{\gamma_{e_{i}}} (\gamma_{e_{i}} \mathbf{e}_{i}^{T} \mathbf{P}_{i} \mathbf{b}_{i} \Phi_{e_{i}} u_{i} + \dot{\mathbf{w}}_{e_{i}}^{T}) \tilde{\mathbf{w}}_{e_{i}}.$$
(31)

Furthermore, let $u_{ri} = \hat{E} \cdot sat_B(\mathbf{e}_i^T \mathbf{P}_i \mathbf{b}_i)$, where

$$sat_{B}(\mathbf{e}_{i}^{T}\mathbf{P}_{i}\mathbf{b}_{i}) = \begin{cases} sgn(\mathbf{e}_{i}^{T}\mathbf{P}_{i}\mathbf{b}_{i}), & |\mathbf{e}_{i}^{T}\mathbf{P}_{i}\mathbf{b}_{i}| > B\\ \frac{\mathbf{e}_{i}^{T}\mathbf{P}_{i}\mathbf{b}_{i}}{B}, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
(32)

The adaptive laws are used as the following σ -modification to enhance the robustness of adaptive laws as

$$\dot{\mathbf{w}}_{f_i}^{T} = -(\gamma_{f_i} \mathbf{e}_i^{T} \mathbf{P}_i \mathbf{b}_i \mathbf{\Phi}_{f_i} + \sigma_{f_i} \mathbf{w}_{f_i}^{T}), \qquad (33)$$

$$\dot{\mathbf{w}}_{g_i}^{\mathsf{T}} = -(\gamma_{g_i} \mathbf{e}_i^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{P}_i \mathbf{b}_i \mathbf{\Phi}_{g_i} u_i + \sigma_{g_i} \mathbf{w}_{g_i}^{\mathsf{T}}), \qquad (34)$$

$$\hat{\hat{E}} = \gamma_{e_i} \left| \mathbf{e}_i^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{P}_i \mathbf{b}_i \right| - \sigma_{e_i} \hat{E} , \qquad (35)$$

where $\sigma_{f_i}, \sigma_{g_i}$ and σ_{e_i} are the designed parameters.

Accordingly, the definition of (30) yields

$$\dot{V}_{i} = -\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{e}_{i}^{T} \mathbf{Q}_{i} \mathbf{e}_{i} - \frac{\sigma_{f_{i}}}{\gamma_{f_{i}}} \mathbf{w}_{f_{i}}^{T} \tilde{\mathbf{w}}_{f_{i}} - \frac{\sigma_{g_{i}}}{\gamma_{g_{i}}} \mathbf{w}_{g_{i}}^{T} \tilde{\mathbf{w}}_{g_{i}} + \frac{1}{\gamma_{g_{i}}} \tilde{E}(\gamma_{e_{i}} \left| \mathbf{e}_{i}^{T} \mathbf{P}_{i} \mathbf{b}_{i} \right| - \sigma_{e_{i}} \hat{E}) - \mathbf{e}_{i}^{T} \mathbf{P}_{i} \mathbf{b}_{i} \left(\hat{E}_{i} \cdot sat(\mathbf{e}_{i}^{T} \mathbf{P}_{i} \mathbf{b}_{i}) + \varepsilon_{i} \right).$$
(36)

Consider the following case:

$$\left|\mathbf{e}_{i}^{T}\mathbf{P}_{i}\mathbf{b}_{i}\right| \leq B_{i}, \ sat_{B_{i}}(\mathbf{e}_{i}^{T}\mathbf{P}_{i}\mathbf{b}_{i}) = \frac{\mathbf{e}_{i}^{T}\mathbf{P}_{i}\mathbf{b}_{i}}{B_{i}}.$$
 (37)

Since

$$\dot{V}_{i} \leq -\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{e}_{i}^{T} \mathbf{Q}_{i} \mathbf{e}_{i} - \frac{\sigma_{f_{i}}}{2\gamma_{f_{i}}} \tilde{\mathbf{w}}_{f_{i}}^{T} \tilde{\mathbf{w}}_{f_{i}} - \frac{\sigma_{g_{i}}}{2\gamma_{g_{i}}} \tilde{\mathbf{w}}_{g_{i}}^{T} \tilde{\mathbf{w}}_{g_{i}} - \frac{3}{4} \frac{\sigma_{e_{i}}}{2\gamma_{e_{i}}} \tilde{E}_{i}^{2} + \alpha_{i} \cdot (\mathbf{38})$$

where

$$\alpha_{i} \equiv \frac{5}{8} \frac{\sigma_{e_{i}}}{\gamma_{e_{i}}} E_{i}^{2} + \frac{1}{4} \frac{\sigma_{e_{i}}}{\gamma_{e_{i}}} B_{i}^{2} + \frac{\sigma_{f_{i}}}{2\gamma_{f_{i}}} \left\| \mathbf{w}_{f_{i}}^{*} \right\|^{2} + \frac{\sigma_{g_{i}}}{2\gamma_{g_{i}}} \left\| \mathbf{w}_{g_{i}}^{*} \right\|^{2}, \quad (39)$$

$$\dot{V}_{i} \leq -\beta_{i}V + \beta_{i}V - \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{e}_{i}^{T}\mathbf{Q}_{i}\mathbf{e}_{i} - \frac{\sigma_{f_{i}}}{2\gamma_{f_{i}}}\tilde{\mathbf{w}}_{f_{i}}^{T}-\frac{\sigma_{g_{i}}}{2\gamma_{g_{i}}}\tilde{\mathbf{w}}_{g_{i}}^{T}\tilde{\mathbf{w}}_{g_{i}} - \frac{3}{4}\frac{\sigma_{e_{i}}}{2\gamma_{e_{i}}}\tilde{E}_{i}^{2} + \alpha_{i}.$$
(40)

Note that $\lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{Q}_i) \|\mathbf{e}_i\|^2 \le \mathbf{e}_i^T \mathbf{Q}_i \mathbf{e}_i \le \lambda_{\max}(\mathbf{Q}_i) \|\mathbf{e}_i\|^2$ and $\lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{P}_i) \|\mathbf{e}_i\|^2 \le \mathbf{e}_i^T \mathbf{P}_i \mathbf{e}_i \le \lambda_{\max}(\mathbf{P}_i) \|\mathbf{e}_i\|^2$.

We have

$$\dot{V}_{i} \leq -\beta_{i}V - \left[\lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{Q}_{i}) - \beta_{i}\lambda_{\max}(\mathbf{P}_{i})\right] \frac{\left\|\mathbf{e}_{i}\right\|^{2}}{2} - \left(\sigma_{f_{i}} - \beta_{i}\right) \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{w}}_{f_{i}}^{T}\tilde{\mathbf{w}}_{f_{i}}}{2\gamma_{f_{i}}} - \left(\sigma_{g_{i}} - \beta_{i}\right) \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{w}}_{f_{i}}^{T}\tilde{\mathbf{w}}_{g_{i}}}{2\gamma_{g_{i}}} + \left(\frac{3}{4}\sigma_{g_{i}} - \beta_{i}\right) \frac{\tilde{E}_{i}^{2}}{2\gamma_{g_{i}}} + \alpha_{i}$$
(41)

We select

$$\beta_{i} = \min\left\{\frac{\lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{Q}_{i})}{\lambda_{\max}(\mathbf{P}_{i})}, \sigma_{f_{i}}, \sigma_{g_{i}}, \frac{3}{4}\sigma_{e_{i}}\right\}, \quad (42)$$

Then

$$\dot{V}_i \le -\beta_i V + \alpha_i \,. \tag{43}$$

Obviously, the errors $\mathbf{e}_i, \tilde{\mathbf{w}}_{f_i}, \tilde{\mathbf{w}}_{g_i}$, and \tilde{E}_i are bounded according to Ioannou and Kokotovic [28]. Moreover, if the parameters $\sigma_{f_i}, \sigma_{g_i}, \frac{3}{4}\sigma_{e_i}$ are selected such that

$$\sigma_{f_i}, \sigma_{g_i}, \frac{3}{4}\sigma_{e_i} \leq \frac{\lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{Q}_i)}{\lambda_{\max}(\mathbf{P}_i)}.$$
 (44)

We have

$$\dot{V} \leq -\beta_i V - \left[\lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{Q}_i) - \beta_i \lambda_{\max}(\mathbf{P}_i)\right] \frac{\|\mathbf{e}_i\|^2}{2} + \alpha_i, \quad (45)$$

if
$$\left[\lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{Q}_{i}) - \beta_{i}\lambda_{\max}(\mathbf{P}_{i})\right] \frac{\|\mathbf{e}_{i}\|^{2}}{2} - \alpha_{i} \ge 0$$
, then
 $\dot{V}_{i} \le -\beta_{i}V.$ (46)

Thus, the error \mathbf{e}_i exponentially converges to a set following [29].

$$\|\mathbf{e}_i\|^2 \ge \frac{2\alpha_i}{\lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{Q}_i) - \beta_i \lambda_{\max}(\mathbf{P}_i)}.$$
 (47)

Smaller σ_{f_i} , σ_{g_i} , σ_{e_i} , β_i can be selected to decrease the residual set of the tracking error. There is always chattering in these systems because of the signum function of compensated controller $u_{ri} = \hat{E} \cdot \text{sgn}(\mathbf{e}_i^T \mathbf{P}_i \mathbf{b}_i)$. Clearly, this effect is not desired in practical realization. To overcome this drawback, we should smooth the control signal u_{ri} to eliminate the unfavorable effects in this paper.

4 Simulation Results

Simulations were performed on the trajectorytracking problem of the mobile robot, as shown in Figure 1. The parameter specifications of the physical model are given as a=0.3 m, $\rho_r = 0.5$ m, l=1.75 m, $\overline{b} = 1.5$ m, $m_p=20$ kg, $m'_p = 6$ kg, $m_w = 1$ kg, $m'_w = 2$ kg, b=1.0 m, $\rho_f = 0.75$ m, and $\mu_b = b/a$.

To illustrate the effectiveness of the proposed *B*-spline tracking control structure, we use a cubic *B*-spline function to represent a trajectory and pass through the following intermediate points:

{(-25,0), (-15,5), (-5,2.5), (5,-2.5), (15,-5), (25,0), (15,5), (5,2.5), (-5,-2.5), (-15,-5), (-25,0)}.

The orientation angles of the initial node and final node are $\tan \theta_s = 8/4$ and $\tan \theta_g = 8/-4$, respectively, and the curvature restrictions are set as $\kappa_j \leq \sqrt{3}$. Substituting the above specification into the *B*-spline optimization algorithm, the resulting trajectory and curvature are shown in Figure 7 and Figure 8, respectively.



Figure 7. B-spline reference curve



Figure 8. Curvature of the *B*-spline curve

The dynamics of the three-wheeled mobile robot is derived from the reduced Appell equations [26] as follows

$$(m_{p}(\rho_{r}^{2}+b^{2})+I_{p}+4m_{w}b^{2}+2I_{w}+8\mu_{b}^{2}I_{w})\ddot{\theta}+$$

$$(m_{p}+2m_{w}+2m'_{w})ab\ddot{\phi}_{1}+m_{p}a\rho_{r}\dot{\theta}\dot{\phi}_{1}=2\mu_{b}\tau_{2}$$

$$(m_{p}+2m_{w}+2m'_{w})ab\ddot{\theta}+(m_{p}a^{2}+2m_{w}a^{2}+4I_{w})\ddot{\phi}_{1}-$$

$$m_{p}a\rho_{r}\dot{\theta}^{2}=\tau_{1}+\tau_{2}$$
(48)

Define

$$I_{w} = \frac{1}{2}m'_{w}a^{2},$$

$$I_{1} = m_{p}(\rho_{r}^{2} + b^{2}) + I_{p} + 4m_{w}b^{2} + 2I_{w} + 8\mu_{b}^{2}I_{w},$$

$$I_{2} = m_{w}a^{2} + 2m_{w}a^{2} + 4I_{w}.$$
(49)

Then, we have

$$I_1 \ddot{\theta} + \mu_b I_2 \ddot{\varphi}_1 + m_p a \rho_r \dot{\theta} \dot{\varphi} = 2 \mu_b \tau_2 , \qquad (50)$$

$$\mu_b I_2 \ddot{\theta} + I_2 \ddot{\theta}_1 - m_p a \rho_r \dot{\theta}^2 = \tau_1 + \tau_2.$$
 (51)

Therefore, the dynamical equation of the wheeled mobile robot in the matrix form is

$$\mathbf{M}(\mathbf{y})\ddot{\mathbf{y}} + \mathbf{C}(\mathbf{y},\dot{\mathbf{y}})\dot{\mathbf{y}} = \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{y})\mathbf{\tau}, \qquad (52)$$

where

$$\mathbf{M}(\mathbf{y}) = \begin{bmatrix} \mu_b I_2 & I_1 \\ I_2 & \mu_b I_2 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{y}, \dot{\mathbf{y}}) = \begin{bmatrix} m_p a \rho_r \dot{\theta} & 0 \\ 0 & -m_p a \rho_r \dot{\theta} \end{bmatrix},$$

$$\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{y}) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2\mu_b \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \ \mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} \varphi_1 \\ \theta \end{bmatrix}.$$
(53)

After some manipulations, a different type of dynamical equation (20) may be shown in the following form

$$\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{x_2}{I_1 - \mu_b^2 I_2} (m_p a \rho_r x_4 x_2) + \frac{I_1 / I_2}{I_1 - \mu_b^2 I_2} (m_p a \rho_r x_4^2) \\ x_4 \\ -\frac{1}{I_1 - \mu_b^2 I_2} (m_p a \rho_r x_4 x_2) - \frac{\mu_b}{I_1 - \mu_b^2 I_2} (m_p a \rho_r x_4^2) \end{bmatrix}, \quad (54)$$
$$\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ \frac{I_1 / I_2}{I_1 - \mu_b^2 I_2} & \frac{-2\mu_b^2}{I_1 - \mu_b^2 I_2} + \frac{I_1 / I_2}{I_1 - \mu_b^2 I_2} \\ 0 & 0 \\ \frac{-\mu_b}{I_1 - \mu_b^2 I_2} & \frac{\mu_b}{I_1 - \mu_b^2 I_2} \end{bmatrix}, \quad (55)$$

where $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 & x_3 & x_4 \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} \varphi_1 & \dot{\varphi}_1 & \theta & \dot{\theta} \end{bmatrix}^T$.

Next, the desired values of other system variables $(\varphi_d(t), \theta_d(t))$ are computed according to Tsai [26]. Based on the current status of the vehicle and the fuzzy inference engine in Subsection 3.1, the compensations \mathbf{u}_c and \mathbf{y}_c are computed from the fuzzy logic system and fed into the FCMAC controller as described in Subsection 3.2. In the adaptive scheme, the initial condition is used, which is different from the true value. Moreover, we set the initial posture as $x_r(0) = -7.5$, $y_r(0) = 0$, and $x_r(0) = -17.5$, $y_r(0) = 0$ away from the desired values (-12.5,0). The parameters of the Gaussian functions of FCMAC are constructed on each layer in equation (16), where $s_1 = [-4, 4]$, $s_2 = [-4, 4]$.

The means and variances are

$$\sigma_{mj} = \sigma_{mk} = 1 \ (m = 1, 2, 3, j = 1, 2, k = 1, 2)$$

and

$$m_{m_{j}} = m_{m_{k}} = -1 \ (m = 1, j = k = 1) \ , m_{m_{j}} = m_{m_{k}} = 5 \ (m = 1, j = k = 2)$$

$$m_{m_{j}} = m_{m_{k}} = -5 \ (m = 2, j = k = 1) \ , m_{m_{j}} = m_{m_{k}} = 1 \ (m = 2, j = k = 2)$$

$$m_{m_{j}} = m_{m_{k}} = -3 \ (m = 3, j = k = 1) \ , m_{m_{j}} = m_{m_{k}} = 3 \ (m = 3, j = k = 2)$$
(56)

The parameters of the control scheme in equation (24) are:

$$\Lambda = \begin{bmatrix} 200 & 30 & | & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & | & 200 & 30 \end{bmatrix}.$$
 (57)

The parameters of the adaptive laws in equations (33) and (34) are:

$$\gamma_{f_{1}} = 60, \ \gamma_{f_{2}} = 40, \ \gamma_{g_{1}} = 4, \ \gamma_{g_{2}} = 2, \sigma_{f_{1}} = \sigma_{f_{2}} = 0.4, \sigma_{g_{1}} = \sigma_{g_{2}} = 0.1,$$

$$\mathbf{Q} = \begin{bmatrix} 30 & 0 & | & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -30 & | & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -0 & | & 30 & -0 \\ 0 & 0 & | & 0 & 30 \end{bmatrix},$$
(58)

which yields the corresponding A and P as follows







(a) The trajectory tracking for the initial posture: $x_r(0) = -7.5$, $y_r(0) = 0$

The parameters of the robust terms in equation (35) are

$$\gamma_{e_1} = 0.01, \ \gamma_{e_2} = 0.1, \ \sigma_{e_1} = 0.01, \ \sigma_{e_2} = 0.1$$
 (60)

The results are shown in Figure 9. The solid line is the desired *B*-spline curve, and the shaded block line shows the tracking performance. Although the initial condition is significantly far from the desired configuration in both position and heading, the proposed hierarchical controller can successfully steer the mobile robot back to the desired trajectory.



(b) The tracking error signals for the initial posture: $x_r(0) = -7.5$, $y_r(0) = 0$



Figure 9. The trajectory tracking performance in different initial posture

5 Conclusions

A new systematic design procedure to track the trajectory of mobile robots is developed in this paper. The main results are summarized as follows:

(1) The concept of the methodology is a combined application of the path-planning techniques and trajectory-tracking control. The constrained optimization method can be used to determine a unique set of control points so that the cubic B-spline curve can pass through the given intermediate points with uniform knots, which are subject to the kinematic constraints and curvature restrictions.

(2) Because of the local tuning property of the B-spline curve, the sharp modification of the trajectory is notably flexible and effective.

(3) The adaptive tracking controller is constructed for the hierarchical model based on the fuzzy inference methodology. The main advantage of the proposed fuzzy controller is its capability to provide a desired reference in designing the adaptive FCMAC control in the dynamic model of the mobile robot.

(4) The design of the adaptive FCMAC controller based on the stability analysis is used to address the parametric uncertainties and guarantee the stabilization of the motion to a desired configuration.

The simulation results show that the proposed *B*-spline trajectory tracking strategy achieves the desired tracking performance.

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Appendix A

List of Symbols:

 $\{\mathbf{E}^{x}, \mathbf{E}^{y}, \mathbf{E}^{z}\}$: inertial frame

 $\{\mathbf{e}_{i}^{x}, \mathbf{e}_{i}^{y}, \mathbf{e}_{i}^{z}\}$: body frame

 $\theta_i, \psi_i, \varphi_i$: heading angle, camber angle, spin angle of body *i*

 x_i , y_i , z_i : x-axis, y-axis, z-axis motion of body i

 C_i : mass center of body *i*, where *i* = 1, 2, *p*.

 Q_r : center of the left wheel and right wheel

b : distance between the two wheels (wheelbase)

b , ℓ , $a\!\!:$ width and length of the platform, radius of the wheel

 m'_w, m'_p : masses of the rim of each wheel and platform

 m_w, m_p : masses of each wheel and platform

 ρ_r : distance between point Q_r and mass center of platform C_p

 x_r , y_r : x-axis, y-axis motion in terms of the coordinates of Qr

q : generalized coordinate

D: nonholonomic constraint matrix

 $\mathbf{u} = (\dot{\varphi}_1, \dot{\theta})$: privileged velocity

 \mathbf{u}_d : desired privileged velocity

 A_i, B_i, C_i, D_i, E_i : fuzzy sets for the *i*th rule

 d_e : error distance between the current position and the desired position

 θ_e : error angle between the current and desired heading angles

 \mathcal{G}_{e} : orientation angle from the current position to the desired position

 Δv , Δw : compensated values of the linear velocity and angular velocity

 ξ_e : posture error vector in the body frame

F: nonlinear mapping of the CMAC

S: input variable of the CMAC

 \mathbf{z}_{CMAC} : output variable of the CMAC

 $\phi(s)$: receptive-field functions

 m, σ : mean and variance of the Gaussian function

 ϕ_{mik} : multi-dimensional receptive-field functions

 n_l, n_B : number of layers and number of blocks in each layer

w: weight vector of the FCMAC

 Φ : vector of multi-dimensional receptive-field functions

f: system dynamics vector, $\mathbf{f} = [f_1(\mathbf{x}), f_2(\mathbf{x}), \dots, f_m(\mathbf{x})]^T$

G: continuous bounded matrix, $\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}) = [\mathbf{g}_1(\mathbf{x}), \mathbf{g}_2(\mathbf{x}), \cdots, \mathbf{g}_n(\mathbf{x})]^T$

d: disturbance, $\mathbf{d}(\mathbf{x},t) = [d_1(\mathbf{x},t), d_2(\mathbf{x},t), \cdots, d_m(\mathbf{x},t)]^T$

u : control input $\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} u_1, u_2, \cdots, u_m \end{bmatrix}^T$

e: tracking error vector, $\mathbf{e} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{e}_1^T & \mathbf{e}_2^T & \cdots & \mathbf{e}_m^T \end{bmatrix}^T \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{\Lambda} &: \text{designed positive constant matrix} \\ \mathbf{\tilde{f}}, \mathbf{\tilde{G}} &: \text{uncertainties of dynamics} \\ \tilde{f}_i^*, \mathbf{\tilde{g}}_i^* &: \text{optimal scheme to approximate } \tilde{f}_i \text{ and } \mathbf{\tilde{g}}_i \\ \mathbf{w}_{f_i}^*, \mathbf{w}_{g_i}^* &: \text{optimal weight vector} \\ \mathbf{\Phi}_{f_i}, \mathbf{\Phi}_{g_i} &: \text{vector of the receptive-field functions} \\ \text{associated with } \tilde{f}_i \text{ and } \mathbf{\tilde{g}}_i \\ \varepsilon_i &: \text{approximation error} \\ \gamma_{f_1}, \gamma_{f_2}, \gamma_{g_1} \\ \vdots \text{ parameters of the adaptive laws} \\ \gamma_{g_2}, \gamma_{e_i}, \gamma_{e_2} \end{split}$$

 \mathbf{P}_i , \mathbf{Q}_i : positive definite matrices, which satisfy the following Lyapunov equation: $\mathbf{A}_i^T \mathbf{P}_i + \mathbf{P}_i \mathbf{A}_i = -\mathbf{Q}_i$.

Appendix B

Kinematic Level

$$\mathbf{u}_{c} = \mathbf{u}_{d} + \Delta \mathbf{u}, \begin{bmatrix} v_{c} \\ w_{c} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} v_{d} \\ w_{d} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \Delta v \\ \Delta w \end{bmatrix}.$$
(61)

Using a fuzzy inference engine to design $\Delta \mathbf{u}$ in the kinematic level, and \mathbf{u}_d is desired signal from motion planning.

Dynamic Level (Eq. 62)

$$y^{(r)} = f(x) + G(x)u$$
, (62)

where $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 & x_3 & x_4 \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} \varphi_1 & \dot{\varphi}_1 & \theta & \dot{\theta} \end{bmatrix}^T$. Our purpose is to design the control input in dynamic level

$$\mathbf{u} = \left(\overline{\mathbf{G}} + \hat{\mathbf{G}}\right)^{-1} \left[-\overline{\mathbf{f}} - \hat{\mathbf{f}} + \mathbf{y}_d^{(\mathbf{r})} + \mathbf{\Lambda}^T \mathbf{e} + \mathbf{u}_r \right], \quad (63)$$

such that dynamic output signal $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 & x_3 & x_4 \end{bmatrix}^T$ approximate to the kinematic \mathbf{u}_c , i.e. $\dot{\phi}_1 \rightarrow v_c$ and $\dot{\theta} \rightarrow w_c$.

[Case I] Consider the following Multi-Input Multi-Output (MIMO) system:

$$\mathbf{y}^{(\mathbf{r})} = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) + \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x})\mathbf{u}, \tag{64}$$

if the system dynamics f(x), G(x) are known, where

$$\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ \frac{\mu_b}{I_1 - \mu_b^2 I_2} (m_p a \rho_r x_4 x_2) + \frac{I_1 / I_2}{I_1 - \mu_b^2 I_2} (m_p a \rho_r x_4^2) \\ x_4 \\ -\frac{1}{I_1 - \mu_b^2 I_2} (m_p a \rho_r x_4 x_2) - \frac{\mu_b}{I_1 - \mu_b^2 I_2} (m_p a \rho_r x_4^2) \end{bmatrix}$$
(65)

$$\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ \frac{I_1/I_2}{I_1 - \mu_b^2 I_2} & \frac{-2\mu_b^2}{I_1 - \mu_b^2 I_2} + \frac{I_1/I_2}{I_1 - \mu_b^2 I_2} \\ 0 & 0 \\ \frac{-\mu_b}{I_1 - \mu_b^2 I_2} & \frac{\mu_b}{I_1 - \mu_b^2 I_2} \end{bmatrix}$$
(66)

Controller design in dynamics is $\mathbf{u} = (\mathbf{G})^{-1} \left[-\mathbf{f} + \mathbf{y}_d^{(\mathbf{r})} + \mathbf{\Lambda}^T \mathbf{e} \right]$, and simulation results as following.

The blue and red are the desired *B*-spline curve of left and right wheels of 3-wheel mobile robot in Figure 10, and the shaded block line shows the tracking performance in Figure 11.



Figure 10. The desired *B*-spline curve of left and right wheels of 3-wheel mobile robot



Figure 11. The tracking performance

The trajectory tracking effect of privileged variable shown in Figure 12, where $\begin{bmatrix} v_c & w_c \end{bmatrix}^T$ is designed by fuzzy inference engine in kinematics, and $\begin{bmatrix} \dot{\varphi}_1 & \dot{\theta} \end{bmatrix}^T$ is designed by FCMAC in dynamics. Tracking errors of generalized variables show in Figure 13, where

$$x_e = x_{rd} - x_r, \ y_e = y_{rd} - y_r, \ \theta_e = \theta_d - \theta, \ \varphi_{1e} = \varphi_{1d} - \varphi_1.$$
 (67)



Figure 12. The trajectory tracking effect of privileged variable



Figure 13. Tracking errors of generalized variables

[Case II] Consider the following Multi-Input Multi-Output (MIMO) system:

$$\mathbf{y}^{(\mathbf{r})} = (\overline{\mathbf{f}}(\mathbf{x}) + \hat{\mathbf{f}}(\mathbf{x})) + \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x})\mathbf{u}, \tag{68}$$

f(x) exists parametric uncertainties, where \hat{f} is uncertain part and \overline{f} is nominal models.

$$\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ \frac{\mu_b}{I_1 - \mu_b^2 I_2} (m_p a \rho_r x_4 x_2) + \frac{I_1 / I_2}{I_1 - \mu_b^2 I_2} (m_p a \rho_r x_4^2) + \Delta f_1 \\ x_4 \\ -\frac{1}{I_1 - \mu_b^2 I_2} (m_p a \rho_r x_4 x_2) - \frac{\mu_b}{I_1 - \mu_b^2 I_2} (m_p a \rho_r x_4^2) + \Delta f_2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (69)$$

$$\Delta f_1 = 20, \Delta f_2 = 20.$$

$$\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ \frac{I_1/I_2}{I_1 - \mu_b^2 I_2} & \frac{-2\mu_b^2}{I_1 - \mu_b^2 I_2} + \frac{I_1/I_2}{I_1 - \mu_b^2 I_2} \\ 0 & 0 \\ \frac{-\mu_b}{I_1 - \mu_b^2 I_2} & \frac{\mu_b}{I_1 - \mu_b^2 I_2} \end{bmatrix}$$
(70)

Adopting the controller in dynamics as

$$\mathbf{u} = \left(\mathbf{G}\right)^{-1} \left[-\mathbf{f} + \mathbf{y}_d^{(\mathbf{r})} + \mathbf{\Lambda}^T \mathbf{e}\right].$$
(71)

Obviously, simulation result in Figure 14 can not achieve the desired effects.



Figure 14. The tracking performance of the controller in dynamics

[Case III] Follow the previous example, using the FCMAC controller

$$\mathbf{u} = (\mathbf{G})^{-1} \left[-\overline{\mathbf{f}} - \hat{\mathbf{f}} + \mathbf{y}_{d}^{(\mathbf{r})} + \mathbf{\Lambda}^{T} \mathbf{e} \right]$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{f}} = \hat{\mathbf{f}}(\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{w})$$
(72)
$$\hat{f}_{i} = \mathbf{\Phi}_{f_{i}} \mathbf{w}_{f_{i}}, \dot{\mathbf{w}}_{f_{i}}^{T} = -\gamma_{f_{i}} \mathbf{e}_{i}^{T} \mathbf{P}_{i} \mathbf{b}_{i} \mathbf{\Phi}_{f_{i}}, i = 1, 2$$

The trajectory tracking performance is shown in Figure 15. Figure 16 illustrate the trajectory tracking effect of privileged variable and tracking error of generalized variables show in Figure 17.



Figure 15. The trajectory tracking performance



Figure 16. The trajectory tracking effect of privileged variable



Figure 17. Tracking error of generalized variables

[Case IV] Consider the following Multi-Input Multi-Output (MIMO) system with disturbance **d**(*t*):

$$\mathbf{y}^{(\mathbf{r})} = (\overline{\mathbf{f}}(\mathbf{x}) + \hat{\mathbf{f}}(\mathbf{x})) + \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x})\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{d}(t), \tag{73}$$

 $\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x})$ exists parametric uncertainties, where $\hat{\mathbf{f}}$ is uncertain part and $\overline{\mathbf{f}}$ is nominal models.

$$\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ \frac{\mu_b}{I_1 - \mu_b^2 I_2} (m_p a \rho_r x_4 x_2) + \frac{I_1 / I_2}{I_1 - \mu_b^2 I_2} (m_p a \rho_r x_4^2) + \Delta f_1 \\ x_4 \\ - \frac{1}{I_1 - \mu_b^2 I_2} (m_p a \rho_r x_4 x_2) - \frac{\mu_b}{I_1 - \mu_b^2 I_2} (m_p a \rho_r x_4^2) + \Delta f_2 \end{bmatrix},$$
(74)
$$\Delta f_1 = 20, \Delta f_2 = 20.$$

d(t) = (10 * rand), rand denotes random number, 0 < rand < 1.

$$\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ \frac{I_1/I_2}{I_1 - \mu_b^2 I_2} & \frac{-2\mu_b^2}{I_1 - \mu_b^2 I_2} + \frac{I_1/I_2}{I_1 - \mu_b^2 I_2} \\ 0 & 0 \\ \frac{-\mu_b}{I_1 - \mu_b^2 I_2} & \frac{\mu_b}{I_1 - \mu_b^2 I_2} \end{bmatrix}$$
(75)

Adopting the controller in dynamics as

$$\mathbf{u} = (\mathbf{G})^{-1} \left[-\overline{\mathbf{f}} - \hat{\mathbf{f}} + \mathbf{y}_{d}^{(\mathbf{r})} + \mathbf{\Lambda}^{T} \mathbf{e} \right]$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{f}} = \hat{\mathbf{f}}(\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{w})$$
(76)
$$\hat{f}_{i} = \mathbf{\Phi}_{f_{i}} \mathbf{w}_{f_{i}}, \dot{\mathbf{w}}_{f_{i}}^{T} = -\gamma_{f_{i}} \mathbf{e}_{i}^{T} \mathbf{P}_{i} \mathbf{b}_{i} \mathbf{\Phi}_{f_{i}}, i = 1, 2$$

Obviously, simulation result in Figure 18 can not achieve the desired effects.



Figure 18. The tracking performance of the controller in dynamics

[Case V] Follow the previous example, using the FCMAC controller with chattering robust term

$$\mathbf{u} = (\mathbf{G})^{-1} \left[-\overline{\mathbf{f}} - \hat{\mathbf{f}} + \mathbf{y}_{d}^{(\mathbf{r})} + \mathbf{\Lambda}^{T} \mathbf{e} + \mathbf{u}_{\mathbf{r}} \right]$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{f}} = \hat{\mathbf{f}}(\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{w})$$

$$\hat{f}_{i} = \mathbf{\Phi}_{f_{i}} \mathbf{w}_{f_{i}}, \dot{\mathbf{w}}_{f_{i}}^{T} = -\gamma_{f_{i}} \mathbf{e}_{i}^{T} \mathbf{P}_{i} \mathbf{b}_{i} \mathbf{\Phi}_{f_{i}}, i = 1, 2 \quad (77)$$

$$u_{ri} = \hat{E}_{i} \cdot \operatorname{sgn}(\mathbf{e}_{i}^{T} \mathbf{P}_{i} \mathbf{b}_{i}), \text{ where } \dot{E}_{i} = \gamma_{e_{i}} \left| \mathbf{e}_{i}^{T} \mathbf{P}_{i} \mathbf{b}_{i} \right|$$
and $\operatorname{sgn}(e) = \begin{cases} 1, & e > 0 \\ 0, & e = 0 \\ -1, & e < 0 \end{cases}$

The trajectory tracking performance is shown in Figure 19. Figure 20 illustrate the trajectory tracking effect of privileged variable and tracking error of generalized variables show in Figure 21.



Figure 19. The desired *B*-spline curve of left and right wheels of 3-wheel mobile robot



Figure 20. The trajectory tracking effect of privileged variable



Figure 21. Tracking error of generalized variables

Figure 22 and Figure 23 are the torque signal **u** of left and right wheels with chattering phenomenon.



Figure 22. The torque signal u of left wheels with chattering phenomenon



Figure 23. The torque signal u of right wheels with chattering phenomenon

[Case V] Follow the previous example, using the FCMAC controller with smooth robust term to overcome the chattering problem

$$\mathbf{u} = (\mathbf{G})^{-1} \left[-\overline{\mathbf{f}} - \hat{\mathbf{f}} + \mathbf{y}_{d}^{(\mathbf{r})} + \mathbf{\Lambda}^{T} \mathbf{e} + \mathbf{u}_{\mathbf{r}} \right]$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{f}} = \hat{\mathbf{f}}(\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{w})$$

$$\hat{f}_{i} = \mathbf{\Phi}_{f_{i}} \mathbf{w}_{f_{i}}, \dot{\mathbf{w}}_{f_{i}}^{T} = -\gamma_{f_{i}} \mathbf{e}_{i}^{T} \mathbf{P}_{i} \mathbf{b}_{i} \mathbf{\Phi}_{f_{i}}, i = 1, 2$$

$$u_{ri} = \hat{E} \cdot sat_{B} (\mathbf{e}_{i}^{T} \mathbf{P}_{i} \mathbf{b}_{i}), \text{ where } (78)$$

$$sat_{B} (\mathbf{e}_{i}^{T} \mathbf{P}_{i} \mathbf{b}_{i}) = \begin{cases} \operatorname{sgn}(\mathbf{e}_{i}^{T} \mathbf{P}_{i} \mathbf{b}_{i}), & \left| \mathbf{e}_{i}^{T} \mathbf{P}_{i} \mathbf{b}_{i} \right| > B \\ \frac{\mathbf{e}_{i}^{T} \mathbf{P}_{i} \mathbf{b}_{i}}{B}, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\dot{\mathbf{w}}_{f_{i}}^{T} = -(\gamma_{f_{i}} \mathbf{e}_{i}^{T} \mathbf{P}_{i} \mathbf{b}_{i} \mathbf{\Phi}_{f_{i}} + \sigma_{f_{i}} \mathbf{w}_{f_{i}}^{T})$$

$$\dot{\hat{E}}_{i} = \gamma_{e_{i}} \left| \mathbf{e}_{i}^{T} \mathbf{P}_{i} \mathbf{b}_{i} \right| - \sigma_{e_{i}} \hat{E}_{i}$$

The blue and red are the desired *B*-spline curve of left and right wheels of 3-wheel mobile robot in Figure 24, and the shaded block line shows the tracking performance in Figure 25.



Figure 24. The desired *B*-spline curve of left and right wheels of 3-wheel mobile robot



Figure 25. The trajectory tracking performance

Figure 26 illustrate the trajectory tracking effect of privileged variable and tracking error of generalized variables show in Figure 27.



Figure 26. The trajectory tracking effect of privileged variable



Figure 27. Tracking error of generalized variables

Figure 28 and Figure 29 are the torque signal **u** of left and right wheels to overcome chattering problem.



Figure 28. The torque signal u of left wheels to overcome chattering problem



Figure 29. The torque signal u of right wheels to overcome chattering problem