

## **AN EXPDRIMENT RESULT BASED ON ADAPTIVE NEURO-FUZZY INFERENCE SYSTEM FOR STOCK PRICE PREDICT ON**

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**Tóm tắt.** Trong những năm cuối thị trường tài chính thế giới đã thay đổi nhờ sự phát triển nhiều hệ thống tiên tiến. Nhằm khai thác dữ liệu thời gian thực đã phát triển những lĩnh vực mới như các hệ mờ neuron dành cho bài toán dự báo và như vậy làm sống lại quan tâm tới dự báo các chỉ số tài chính và chứng khoán. Bài báo này giới thiệu một thử nghiệm dùng hệ suy diễn mờ - neuron với một quy trình tính toán mới để dự báo giá chứng khoán.

**Abstract.** In the last years, the financial markets around the world have been modified by the rapid development of advance systems. The acquisition of high-frequency data in real times has developed new fields like neuro-fuzzy systems for forecasting problems, renewing also the interest in the forecasting of financial and stock market indexes. In this paper, we present an experiment result based on Adaptive Neuro-Fuzzy Inference System with a new computing procedure for stock price prediction.

### **1. INTRODUCTION**

Artificial neural networks (ANN) have been successfully applied to a number of scientific and engineering fields in recent years, e.g. function approximation, system identification and control, image processing, time series prediction and so on [1-3, 6].

Time-series forecasting is an important research and application area. Much effort has been devoted over the past several decades to develop and improve the time-series forecasting models. Well established time series models include : (1) linear models, e.g., moving average, exponential smoothing and the autoregressive intergrated moving average (ARIMA); (2) non-linear models, e.g., neural network models and fuzzy system models [4-8].

Neuro-fuzzy systems methods and statistical tools are different methods that can be used to predict financial indexes. Neural networks incorporate a large number of parameters which allows to learn the intrinsic non-linear relationship presented in time-series, enhancing their forecasting possibilities. ANN have been successfully applied to predict important financial and market indexes, like for example, Standart and Pool 500 (SP&500). Nikei 225 Index, the New York stock exchange composite index (NYSE index) and other.

Stock price prediction has always been a subject of investors and professional analysts. Nevertheless, finding out the best time to buy or to sell has remained a very difficult task because there are too many factors that influence stock. During the last decade, stocks and future traders have come to rely upon various types of intelligent systems. Lately, ANN and adaptive neuro-fuzzy inference system (ANFIS) have been applied to this area.

Other soft computing methods are also applied in the prediction of stock and these soft computing approaches are to use quantitative inputs, like technical indexes, qualitative factors, political effects, automate stock market forecasting and trend analysis.

In this paper, we will use an ANFIS with a new computing procedure for stock index forecasting. The remainder of the paper is organized as follows: Section 2 describes the architecture of the ANFIS, Section 3 presents some learning algorithms and Section 4 is devoted to an experiment result for VN Index stock index prediction. Finally, conclusions are drawn in Section 5.

## 2. ADAPTIVE NEURO-FUZZY INFERENCE SYSTEM

Adaptive neuro-fuzzy inference system (see [3, 6 - 8]) is the most popular neuro-fuzzy connectionist system that similar to a Sugeno type fuzzy inference systems (FIS). FIS can be efficiently used a bridge between the domain expert and a financial system. FIS works on knowledge bases that are in easily comprehensible "IF ... THEN" format. Neuro-fuzzy algorithms are assimilarly of neural networks and FIS. These algorithms are essentially adaptive, lucid and highly flexible. As they are essential fuzzy inference systems embedded into a neural network, they are also robust.

### ANFIS architecture

Figure 1 shows a sample ANFIS structure using three inputs and two labels for each input. Generally, an ANFIS structure with  $n$  inputs and  $m$  labels for each input has 5 layers. The node functions in each layer are of the same function family as described on figure 1.

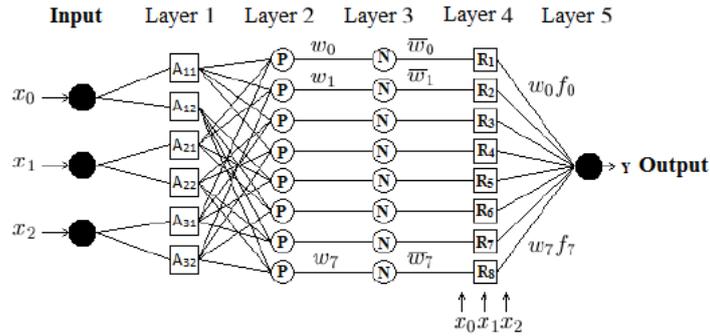


Figure 2.1. Sample ANFIS structure.

**Layer 1:** The first layer contains  $n.m$  adaptive nodes (square nodes) with a node function:

$$O_{i,j}^1 = \mu_{A_{i,j}}(X_i), \quad (2.1)$$

where  $X_i$  ( $0 \leq i \leq n - 1$ ) is the  $i^{th}$  input,  $A_{i,j}$  ( $0 \leq i \leq n - 1, 0 \leq j \leq m - 1$ ) is the  $j^{th}$  linguistic label of the  $i^{th}$  input, such as small, normal, large, etc. is the membership function of  $A_{i,j}$  and it specifies the degree to which the give  $X_i$  satisfies the quantifier  $A_{i,j}$ . Usually we choose to be Generalized Bell or Gaussian membership function with

minimum equal to 0 and maximum equal to 1:

$$\mu_{gbell}(x) = \frac{1}{1 + \left| \frac{x - c_k}{a_k} \right|^{2bk}}, \quad \mu_{gaussian}(x) = \exp \left[ - \left( \frac{x - c_k}{s_k} \right)^2 \right]. \quad (2.2)$$

Therefore,  $(c_k, a_k, bk)$  or  $(c_k, s_k)$  ( $0 \leq k \leq n.m - 1$ ) is non-linear parameter set of  $k^{th}$  node. When the values of these parameter change, the shape of membership function on linguistic label  $A_{i,j}$  vary accordingly. In terms of calculation, we consider that  $i * m + j = k$ .

**Layer 2:** The second layer contains  $m^n$  fixed nodes (circle nodes) label P. The  $k^{th}$  ( $0 \leq k \leq m^n - 1$ ) node collects the incoming signals to do the T-norm and sends the result out:

$$O_k^2 = w_k = \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} \mu_{A_{i,j}}(X_i), \quad (2.3)$$

where  $w_k$  represents the firing strength rule. The computation of  $w_k$  requires clearly defined  $n$  nodes in the first layer that connected to it.

**Layer 3:** This layer contains  $m^n$  fixed nodes label N. The  $k^{th}$  node ( $0 \leq k \leq m^n - 1$ ) calculates the ratio of the  $k^{th}$  rule's firing strength to the sum of all rules firing strengths that called the weight or normalized firing strength of the  $k^{th}$  rule:

$$O_k^3 = \bar{w}_k = \frac{w_k}{\sum_{i=0}^{m^n-1} w_i}. \quad (2.4)$$

**Layer 4:** The fourth layer contains  $m^n$  adaptive nodes in which the node fuction of the  $k^{th}$  node is:

$$O_k^4 = \bar{w}_k f_k = \bar{w}_k \left( \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} p_i^k x_i + r_k \right) \quad (2.5)$$

where  $(p_0^k, p_1^k, \dots, p_{n-1}^k, r_k)$  is parameter set of the  $k^{th}$  node. Parameters in this layer are linear parameter and will referred to as consequent parameters of Takagi-Sugeno type fuzzy inference system.

**Layer 5:** There is only one node in last layer. It is a fixed node that computes the overall output as the summation of all incoming signals:

$$O_1^5 = output = y = \sum_{k=0}^{m^n-1} \bar{w}_k f_k = \frac{\sum_{k=0}^{m^n-1} w_k f_k}{\sum_{k=0}^{m^n-1} w_k}. \quad (2.6)$$

### 3. SOME ANFIS LEARNING ALGORITHMS

We consider a ANFIS with  $n$  inputs and  $m$  labels for each input. Assume that the node function of the first layer is Gaussian membership function.

#### 3.1. Back propagation learning algorithm

Back propagation algorithm (BP) was first introduced in the 1970s by Werbos [1]. The parameters set are updated through training data by gradient descent method ( see [3,6] ). We can see that most of the existing neural-network-based fuzzy systems are trained by the BP algorithm. It is well known that the algorithm is generally slow and likely to become trapped in local minimum. Hence, a fast learning algorithm for real-time applications is highly desirable.

#### 3.2. Hybrid learning algorithm

The gradient algorithm is generally slow and likely to become trapped in local minima. Here a hybrid learning rule is proposed, which combines the gradient algorithm and the least squares estimate (LSE) to update parameters. From (2.6) we have:

$$output = F(\vec{I}, S),$$

where  $F$  is network's function,  $\vec{I}$  is input vector and  $S$  is network's parameters set. We have:

$$y = \sum_{k=0}^{m^n-1} \bar{w}_k f_k = \sum_{k=0}^{m^n-1} \left[ \bar{w}_k \left( \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} p_i^k x_i + r_k \right) \right]. \quad (3.1)$$

Therefore,  $y$  is a linear function of the parameters  $(p_i^k, r^k)$ .

We denote:  $S_1$  is the parameters set in the first layer,  $S_2$  is the parameters set in the 4<sup>th</sup> layer.

- $S_1 = [c_{i,j}, s_{i,j}]$ , where  $i(0 \leq i \leq n-1)$  (input's index) and  $j(0 \leq j \leq m-1)$  (index of corresponding linguistic label).
- $S_2 = [p_0^k, p_1^k, \dots, p_{n-1}^k, r^k]$  where  $(0 \leq k \leq m^n - 1)$ .

Therefore,  $S$  can be decomposed into two sets:

$$S = S_1 \cup S_2. \quad (3.2)$$

Sine  $y$  is linear in  $S_2$ , for each given values of elements of  $S_1$ , we can use  $N$  training data into (3.1) to obtain a matrix equation:

$$AX = B, \quad (3.3)$$

where  $X$  is unknown vector whose elements are parameters in  $S_2$ . Assume that  $|S_2| = M$  and the dimensions of  $A, X, B$  are  $N \times M, M \times 1, N \times 1$ . Because  $N$  (number of training data) is usually greater than  $M$  (number of parameter in the 4<sup>th</sup> layer), this is an over determined

problem generally there is no exact solution to equation (3.3). Instead, least squares estimate (LSE) of  $X$ ,  $X^*$ , is sought to minimum least squared error  $\|AX - B\|^2$ , where  $\|\bullet\|$  is Euclidean norm. The most well-known formula for  $X^*$  uses the pseudo-inverse of  $X$ :

$$X^* = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T B, \quad (3.4)$$

where  $A^T$  is the transpose of  $A$  and  $(A^T A)^{-1} A^T$  is the pseudo-inverse of  $A$  if  $A^T A$  is non-singular. While equation (3.4) is concise in notation, but its time consuming when dealing with the matrix inverse and moreover, it becomes ill-defined if  $A^T A$  is singular. Therefore, sequential formulas are used to compute  $X^*$ . This sequential method of LSE is more efficient especially when  $M$  is small. Let the  $i^{th}$  row vector of matrix  $A$  in equation (3.3) be  $a_i^T$  and the  $i^{th}$  elements of  $B$  be  $b_j^T$ , then  $X$  can be adjusted using the following sequential formulas:

$$X_{i+1} = X_i + S_{i+1} a_{i+1} (b_{i+1}^T - a_{i+1}^T X_i) \quad S_{i+1} = S_i - \frac{S_i a_{i+1} a_{i+1}^T S_i}{1 + a_{i+1}^T S_i a_{i+1}} \quad (i = \overline{0, N-1}), \quad (3.5)$$

where  $S_i$  is the covariance matrix and the least squares estimate  $X^*$  is equal to  $X_N$ . The initial conditions to sequential formulas (3.5) are  $X_0 = 0$  and  $S_0 = \xi I$ , where  $\xi$  is a positive large number and  $I$  is the identity matrix of dimension  $M \times M$ .

Now the gradient algorithm and the least squares estimate can be combined to update the parameters in an ANFIS. Each epoch of this hybrid learning procedure is composed of a forward pass and a backward pass. In the forward pass,  $S_1$  is fixed, we use input data to compute each node's output until the matrices  $A$  and  $B$  in equation (3.3) are obtained and the parameters set  $S_2$  are identified by LSE method. After that, the function signals keep going forward until the output error is computed. In the backward pass,  $S_2$  is fixed, we use gradient descent method to update  $S_1$ .

## 4. AN ADAPTIVE NEURO-FUZZY INFERENCE SYSTEM FOR STOCK INDEX PREDICTION

### 4.1. Input parameters selection and data preprocessing

According to financial research, we find that there are factors affecting the objectivity of the stock market of Vietnam in general and the VN Index in particular. So, we decided to add three new parameter along with three conventional parameters to the forecast. The new system has six inputs and one output. The proposed ANFIS is a new model belonging to the new class of knowledge-based ANFIS models. The data preprocessing was treated as presented in [4].

### 4.2. Computer simulation program

We have built a computer simulation program to test the proposed model. The Interface of program is illustrated in figure 2. Our computer program includes the following modules:

- o *Module 1*: Automatically update data from the Internet: Update the new transaction data including gold price (from [www.sjc.vn](http://www.sjc.vn)), USD Exchange rates (from [www.vietcombank.com.vn/exchangerates](http://www.vietcombank.com.vn/exchangerates)) A92 petrol retail price and VN Index price (from [www.cophien68.com](http://www.cophien68.com)).

- *Module 2:* Data pre-processing and training data creation: Get data from module 1 then make data classification and data pre-processing, in order to create training data.
- *Module 3:* Training and prediction: Do the network training using back propagation learning rule and hybrid learning rule, defuzzification and forecasting.

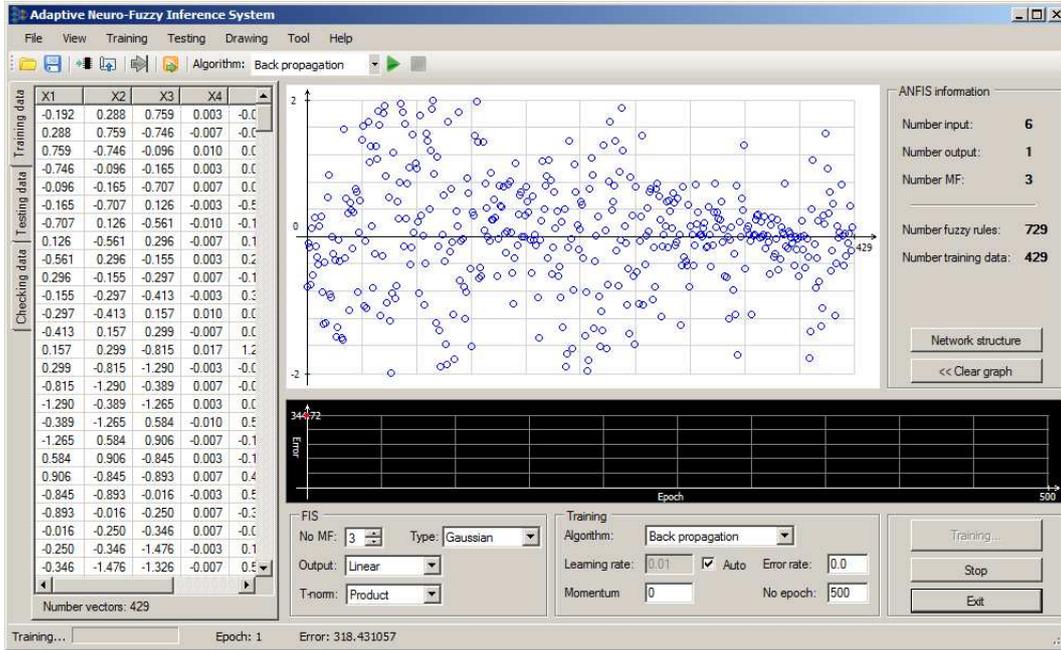


Figure 4.2. Computer simulation program

#### 4.3. Implement

Based on built computer program and obtained data, we have the experiments consist of the following steps:

**Step 1:** Data for training . The interval to train the ANFIS (called training-set) was taken as the daily closing values of VN Index from January 2009 to September 2010. The results were tested by predicting values of the same index since October to December 6-2010 (test-set). At all, 433 points were used during the training process and 46 to test the trained ANN. Taking the data preprocessing base on [4], we obtain following result (table 1).

**Step 2:** Create training set. Training vector is 7-dimensions vector:

$$M_i = (Z_{t-2}^i, Z_{t-1}^i, Z_t^i, U_t^i, G_t^i, P_t^i, Z_{t+1}^i), \quad (i = 1, \dots, 430)$$

where  $Z_{t-2}^i, Z_{t-1}^i, Z_t^i, Z_{t+1}^i$  are stock values in three days  $t-2, t-1, t, t+1$ ;  $U_t^i, G_t^i, P_t^i$  are USD/VND exchange rates, gold value and A92 petrol retail price on day  $t$ .

Therefore, we obtain 430 vectors for training and 46 vectors for testing.

**Step 3:** Build an ANFIS. We choose an ANFIS with three labels for each input and membership function is Gaussian membership function (see on Figure 3). Therefore our ANFIS structure has 6 input parameters and  $3^6 = 729$  fuzzy rules.

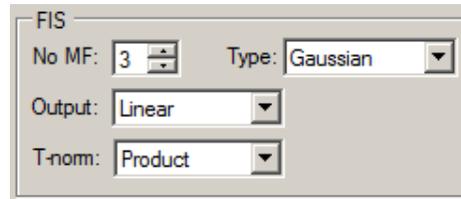


Figure 4.3. Fuzzy inference system

**Step 4:** Train the ANFIS using BP and hybrid learning algorithms in 500 epoches and learning rate was adjusted automatically (Figure 4).

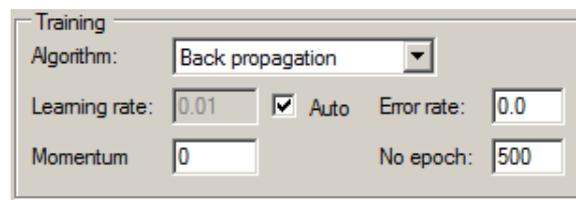


Figure 4.4. ANFIS training

**Step 5:** Test the performance of the model using 46 testing vectors. The result was illustrated on Figure 5.

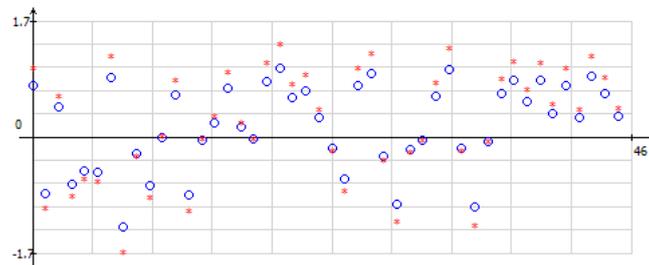


Figure 4.5. Test the performance of the model(circle node is actual ouput, \* is output by model).

Table 1. Adjusted coefficient

Input type	Adjusted coefficient
VN Index price	100
Gold price	75
USD exchange rates	140
A92 petrol retail price	85

#### 4.4. Comparison

By using BP and hybrid learning algorithms, we obtain the result as described on Table 2.

Table 2. Algorithms performance comparison

Algorithm	Learning time	Error rate
Back propagation learning rule	60 min 32 sec	57.28726
Hybrid learning learning rule	55 min 21 sec	42.42525

Table 3. Models performance comparison (for the first 22 vectors)

Real values	New model's ouput	Old model's ouput
448.9	447.2	446.1
457.3	456.6	452.8
457.1	456.0	454.9
449.4	448.1	450.3
451.3	450.2	448.0
446.7	445.8	442.4
441.6	441.6	440.6
433.5	435.1	437.5
426.9	427.5	430.1
425.5	426.0	427.8
430.7	431.2	426.4
426.5	425.1	424.8
430.8	432.9	429.1
434.5	433.1	428.9
439.9	438.6	432.0
439.9	439.2	436.0
446.4	443.9	440.7
451.6	448.3	449.5
449.9	448.0	451.6
457.4	454.8	454.2
464.4	462.7	459.1
465.6	465.2	464.9
RMSE	1.549046628	3.738679884

We also have tested with old traditional model (5 conventional input parameters) and obtain the result as illustrated on Table 3. In order to evaluate the forecasting accuracy, we obtain the root mean squared error (RMSE) as:

$$RMSE = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n (y_k - p_k)^2},$$

where  $y_k$  represents the forecast of the real value  $p_k$ , and  $n$  is the number of predicted events.

According to the result we can find out that the proposed model makes a higher performance than the traditional model.

## 5. CONCLUSION

This work performs a predictive study of the principal index of the Vietnam stock price market through new ANFIS model. According to the result we can find out that the proposed model makes a higher performance than the traditional model.

Applying ANFIS to predict stock index it was encountering following issues:

*Training neural network issues:* Although the hybrid training algorithm proved more effective than the BP algorithm, however, when the network structure is complicated and the training set is large, the network training time increases, the rate of convergence is very slow.

*Data problems:* Principles of ANFIS and fuzzy inference in general is to create systems of law from the available data, thus requiring very high accuracy of training data. Meanwhile, the collection being full of data accuracy is not an easy work.

Futher work should be done with new variables and some new computing procedures.

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