# SOLUTION OF TIME-VARYING SINGULAR NONLINEAR SYSTEMS BY SINGLE-TERM WALSH SERIES 

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A method for finding the solution of time-varying singular nonlinear systems by using single-term Walsh series is proposed. The properties of single-term Walsh series are given and are utilized to find the solution of time-varying singular nonlinear systems.

## 1. Introduction

Singular nonlinear systems has been of interest to some investigators [4, 12], however no closed-form solution was given in [4, 12]. In some analysis of neural networks, both singular systems [8] and bilinear systems [16] have been used. For singular bilinear systems, Lewis et al. [11] applied the Walsh function (WF) approach for time-invariant singular bilinear systems and Hsiao and Wang [9] used the Haar wavelets for the solution of time-varying singular nonlinear systems.

Walsh functions (WFs) have received considerable attention in dealing with various problems of dynamic systems. Chen and Hsiao [5, 6, 7] applied the WF technique to the analysis, optimal control, and synthesis of linear systems. WFs have also found wide applications in signal processing, communication, and pattern recognition [13]. Rao et al. [14] presented a method of extending computation beyond the limit of the initial normal interval in Walsh series analysis of dynamical systems. In [14] various time functions in the system were first expanded in terms of their truncated WF with unknown coefficients. Using the Kronecker product [10], the unknown coefficient of the rate variable was obtained by finding the inverse of a square matrix. It was shown that this method involve some numerical difficulties if the dimension of this matrix is large. To remove the inconveniences in WF technique, the single-term Walsh series (STWS) was introduced in [14], and Balachandran and Murugesan [1,2,3] applied STWS technique to the analysis of the linear and nonlinear singular systems. The STWS method provides block-pulse and discrete solutions to any length of time.

In the present paper, we use the STWS approach for the solution of time-varying singular nonlinear systems. As compared to [9], our method is simpler and consumes less computer time.

The paper is organized as follows: in Section 2 we describe the basic properties of the WF and STWS required for our subsequent development. Section 3 is devoted to the formulation of the time-varying singular nonlinear systems. In Section 4 we apply the proposed numerical method to the time-varying singular nonlinear systems and in Section 5, we report our numerical finding and demonstrate the accuracy of the proposed method.

## 2. Properties of WF and STWS

2.1. Walsh functions. A function $f(t)$, integrable in $[0,1)$, may be approximated using WF as

$$
\begin{equation*}
f(t)=\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} f_{i} \phi_{i}(t) \tag{2.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\phi_{i}(t)$ is the $i$ th WF and $f_{i}$ is the corresponding coefficient. In practice, only the first $m$ terms are considered, where $m$ is an integral power of 2. Then from (2.1), we get

$$
\begin{equation*}
f(t)=\sum_{i=0}^{m-1} f_{i} \phi_{i}(t)=F^{T} \Phi(t) \tag{2.2}
\end{equation*}
$$

where

$$
\begin{equation*}
F=\left(f_{0}, f_{1}, \ldots, f_{m-1}\right)^{T}, \quad \Phi(t)=\left(\phi_{0}(t), \phi_{1}(t), \ldots, \phi_{m-1}(t)\right)^{T} \tag{2.3}
\end{equation*}
$$

The coefficients $f_{i}$ are chosen to minimize the mean integral square error

$$
\begin{equation*}
\epsilon=\int_{0}^{1}\left(f(t)-F^{T} \Phi(t)\right)^{2} d t \tag{2.4}
\end{equation*}
$$

and are given by

$$
\begin{equation*}
f_{i}=\int_{0}^{1} f(t) \phi_{i}(t) d t \tag{2.5}
\end{equation*}
$$

The integration of the vector $\Phi(t)$ defined in (2.3) can be approximated by

$$
\begin{equation*}
\int_{0}^{t} \Phi\left(t^{\prime}\right) d t^{\prime} \simeq E \Phi(t) \tag{2.6}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $E$ is the $m \times m$ operational matrix for integration with $E_{1 \times 1}=1 / 2$ and is given in [16].
2.2. Single-term Walsh series. With the STWS approach, in the first interval, the given function is expanded as STWS in the normalized interval $\tau \in[0,1$ ), which corresponds to $t \in[0,1 / m)$ by defining $\tau=m t, m$ being any integer. In STWS, the matrix $E$ in (2.6) becomes $E=1 / 2$.

Let $\dot{x}(\tau)$ and $x(\tau)$ be expanded by STWS series in the first interval as

$$
\begin{equation*}
\dot{x}(\tau)=V^{(1)} \phi_{0}(\tau), \quad x(\tau)=X^{(1)} \phi_{0}(\tau) \tag{2.7}
\end{equation*}
$$

and in the $k$ th interval as

$$
\begin{equation*}
\dot{x}(\tau)=V^{(k)} \phi_{0}(\tau), \quad x(\tau)=X^{(k)} \phi_{0}(\tau) \tag{2.8}
\end{equation*}
$$

Integrating (2.7) with $E=1 / 2$, we get

$$
\begin{equation*}
X^{(1)}=\frac{1}{2} V^{(1)}+x(0) \tag{2.9}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $x(0)$ is the initial condition. According to Sannuti [15], we have

$$
\begin{equation*}
V^{(1)}=\int_{0}^{1} \dot{x}(\tau) d \tau=x(1)-x(0) \tag{2.10}
\end{equation*}
$$

In general, for any interval $k, k=1,2, \ldots$, we obtain

$$
\begin{align*}
& X^{(k)}=\frac{1}{2} V^{(k)}+x(k-1),  \tag{2.11}\\
& x(k)=V^{(k)}+x(k-1) . \tag{2.12}
\end{align*}
$$

In (2.11) and (2.12), $X^{(k)}$ and $x(k)$ give the block-pulse and the discrete values of the state, respectively.

## 3. Problem statement

Consider a time-varying singular nonlinear system of the following form:

$$
\begin{equation*}
E(t) \dot{x}(t)=f(t, x(t), u(t)), \quad x(0)=x_{0} \tag{3.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

where the singular matrix $E(t) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$, the nonlinear function $f \in \mathbb{R}^{n}$, the state $x(t) \in \mathbb{R}^{n}$, and the control $u(t) \in \mathbb{R}^{q}$. The response $x(t)$ is required to be found.

## 4. Solution of time-varying singular nonlinear systems via STWS

Normalizing (3.1) by defining $\tau=m t$, we get

$$
\begin{equation*}
m E(\tau) \dot{x}(\tau)=f(\tau, x(\tau), u(\tau)), \quad x(0)=x_{0} \tag{4.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

Let $E(\tau)$ be expressed by STWS in the $k$ th interval as

$$
\begin{equation*}
E(\tau)=E^{(k)} \phi_{0}(\tau) \tag{4.2}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $E^{(k)} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$. By using (2.8) and (2.11), we get

$$
\begin{equation*}
x(\tau)=\left(\frac{1}{2} V^{(k)}+x(k-1)\right) \phi_{0}(\tau) \tag{4.3}
\end{equation*}
$$

To solve (4.1), we first substitute (4.3) in $f(\tau, x(\tau), u(\tau))$; we then express the resulting equation by STWS as

$$
\begin{equation*}
f\left(\tau,\left(\frac{1}{2} V^{(k)}+x(k-1)\right) \phi_{0}(\tau), u(\tau)\right)=F^{(k)} \phi_{0}(\tau) \tag{4.4}
\end{equation*}
$$

Using (4.1), (4.2), (4.3), and (4.4), we get

$$
\begin{equation*}
m E^{(k)} V^{(k)}=F^{(k)} \tag{4.5}
\end{equation*}
$$

By solving (4.5), the components of $V^{(k)}$ can be obtained. By substituting $V^{(k)}$ in (2.11) and (2.12), we obtain block-pulse and discrete approximations of the state, respectively. Further, using (2.7), we get

$$
\begin{equation*}
x(\tau)=\int_{0}^{\tau} \dot{x}\left(\tau^{\prime}\right) d \tau^{\prime}+x(0)=V^{(1)} \tau+x(0) \tag{4.6}
\end{equation*}
$$

Thus, we can obtain a continuous approximation of the state as

$$
\begin{equation*}
x(\tau)=V^{(k)} \tau+x(k-1) \tag{4.7}
\end{equation*}
$$

## 5. Numerical examples

Three examples are given in this section. These examples were considered by Hsiao and Wang [9] by using Haar wavelets. Our method differs from their approach and thus these examples could be used as a basis for comparison.
Example 5.1. Consider a time-varying nonlinear singular system of the following form [9]:

$$
\left[\begin{array}{ccc}
0 & 1 & 0  \tag{5.1}\\
0 & 0 & t^{2} \\
0 & 0 & 0
\end{array}\right] \dot{x}(t)=\left[\begin{array}{c}
t x_{1}(t)+x_{2}(t) \\
\exp (t) x_{1}(t) x_{2}(t) \\
x_{2}(t)\left(x_{1}(t)+x_{3}(t)\right)
\end{array}\right]+\left[\begin{array}{c}
0 \\
2 t^{2} \exp (-t) \\
0
\end{array}\right], \quad x(0)=\left[\begin{array}{c}
2 \\
0 \\
-2
\end{array}\right]
$$

The exact solution is (see [9])

$$
x(t)=\left[\begin{array}{c}
2 \exp (-t)(1-2 t)  \tag{5.2}\\
t^{2} \exp (-t) \\
-2 \exp (-t)(1-2 t)
\end{array}\right]
$$



Figure 5.1. STWS with $m=32$ (circles) and exact solution: ++++ of Example 5.1.

To solve (5.1) by STWS, we first express $t, t^{2}, \exp (t)$, and $2 t^{2} \exp (-t)$ by STWS, then we substitute these values together with $V_{i}^{(k)}=\dot{x}_{i}(t)$ and $x_{i}(t)=(1 / 2) V_{i}^{(k)}+x_{i}(k-1)$, $i=1,2,3$, in (5.1). By solving the resulting equation, $V^{(k)}=\left[V_{1}^{(k)}, V_{2}^{(k)}, V_{3}^{(k)}\right]^{T}$ can be calculated. By using (2.11), (2.12), and (4.7), block-pulse, discrete, and continuous approximations of state $x(t)$ are obtained.

The comparison between STWS solution with $m=32$ and the exact solution for $t \in$ $[0,4)$ is shown in Figure 5.1.

Example 5.2. Consider the following time-invariant singular nonlinear system [9]:

$$
\left[\begin{array}{lllll}
1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0  \tag{5.3}\\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0
\end{array}\right] \dot{x}(t)+\left[\begin{array}{c}
x_{3}(t)-x_{5}(t) \\
x_{2}(t)+x_{3}(t)-x_{4}(t)-x_{5}(t) \\
\left(x_{1}(t)+x_{2}(t)-1\right)^{2}-x_{3}(t) \\
-x_{4}(t) \\
x_{2}(t)\left(x_{1}(t)+x_{2}(t)\right)-x_{5}(t)
\end{array}\right]=\left[\begin{array}{l}
0 \\
1 \\
0 \\
0 \\
0
\end{array}\right], \quad x(0)=\left[\begin{array}{l}
0 \\
0 \\
1 \\
0 \\
0
\end{array}\right] .
$$

The results obtained by STWS with $m=16$ and $m=110$ together with those obtained by Haar wavelets with $m=512$ are presented in Tables 5.1, 5.2, and 5.3, respectively.

Example 5.3. Consider a time-invariant nonlinear singular system of the following form [9]:

$$
\left[\begin{array}{ccc}
0 & 1 & 0  \tag{5.4}\\
0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0
\end{array}\right] \dot{x}(t)+\left[\begin{array}{ccc}
0 & 0 & 1 \\
1 & 1 & 0 \\
1 & 0 & -3
\end{array}\right] x(t)+\left[\begin{array}{c}
0 \\
0 \\
x_{3}^{3}(t)
\end{array}\right]=\left[\begin{array}{l}
0 \\
1 \\
0
\end{array}\right], \quad x(0)=\left[\begin{array}{c}
2 \\
-1 \\
-2
\end{array}\right] .
$$

The results obtained by STWS with $m=24$ and $m=32$ and those obtained by Haar wavelets with $m=32$ and $m=128$ are presented in Tables 5.4 and 5.5 , respectively.

Table 5.1. Estimated values of $x_{1}(t), x_{2}(t), x_{3}(t), x_{4}(t)$, and $x_{5}(t)$ by STWS with $m=16$.

| Time | $x_{1}(t)$ | $x_{2}(t)$ | $x_{3}(t)$ | $x_{4}(t)$ | $x_{5}(t)$ |
| :---: | ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0.0 | 0.0000 | 0.0000 | 1.0000 | 0.0000 | 0.0000 |
| 0.5 | -0.3297 | 0.5771 | 0.5671 | 0.0000 | 0.1443 |
| 1.0 | -0.4776 | 0.8003 | 0.4596 | 0.0000 | 0.2599 |
| 1.5 | -0.5486 | 0.9023 | 0.4186 | 0.0000 | 0.3209 |
| 2.0 | -0.5835 | 0.9514 | 0.4004 | 0.0000 | 0.3516 |
| 2.5 | -0.6008 | 0.9755 | 0.3919 | 0.0000 | 0.3674 |
| 3.0 | -0.6094 | 0.9875 | 0.3877 | 0.0000 | 0.3752 |
| 3.5 | -0.6137 | 0.9935 | 0.3856 | 0.0000 | 0.3791 |
| 4.0 | -0.6159 | 0.9965 | 0.3846 | 0.0000 | 0.3811 |

Table 5.2. Estimated values of $x_{1}(t), x_{2}(t), x_{3}(t), x_{4}(t)$, and $x_{5}(t)$ by STWS with $m=110$.

| Time | $x_{1}(t)$ | $x_{2}(t)$ | $x_{3}(t)$ | $x_{4}(t)$ | $x_{5}(t)$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0.0 | 0.0000 | 0.0000 | 1.0000 | 0.0000 | 0.0000 |
| 0.5 | -0.3295 | 0.5774 | 0.5658 | 0.0000 | 0.1431 |
| 1.0 | -0.4775 | 0.8006 | 0.4582 | 0.0000 | 0.2587 |
| 1.5 | -0.5485 | 0.9027 | 0.4171 | 0.0000 | 0.3197 |
| 2.0 | -0.5834 | 0.9518 | 0.3989 | 0.0000 | 0.3507 |
| 2.5 | -0.6007 | 0.9760 | 0.3903 | 0.0000 | 0.3663 |
| 3.0 | -0.6094 | 0.9880 | 0.3861 | 0.0000 | 0.3741 |
| 3.5 | -0.6137 | 0.9940 | 0.3841 | 0.0000 | 0.3780 |
| 4.0 | -0.6159 | 0.9970 | 0.3830 | 0.0000 | 0.3800 |

Table 5.3. Estimated values of $x_{1}(t), x_{2}(t), x_{3}(t), x_{4}(t)$, and $x_{5}(t)$ by Haar wavelets with $m=512$.

| Time | $x_{1}(t)$ | $x_{2}(t)$ | $x_{3}(t)$ | $x_{4}(t)$ | $x_{5}(t)$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0.0 | 0.0000 | 0.0000 | 1.0000 | 0.0000 | 0.0000 |
| 0.5 | -0.3295 | 0.5774 | 0.5658 | 0.0000 | 0.1431 |
| 1.0 | -0.4775 | 0.8006 | 0.4582 | 0.0000 | 0.2587 |
| 1.5 | -0.5485 | 0.9027 | 0.4171 | 0.0000 | 0.3197 |
| 2.0 | -0.5834 | 0.9518 | 0.3989 | 0.0000 | 0.3507 |
| 2.5 | -0.6007 | 0.9760 | 0.3903 | 0.0000 | 0.3663 |
| 3.0 | -0.6094 | 0.9880 | 0.3861 | 0.0000 | 0.3741 |
| 3.5 | -0.6137 | 0.9940 | 0.3841 | 0.0000 | 0.3780 |
| 4.0 | -0.6159 | 0.9970 | 0.3830 | 0.0000 | 0.3800 |

Table 5.4. Estimated values of $x_{1}(t), x_{2}(t)$, and $x_{3}(t)$ by STWS with $m=24$ and $m=32$.

| Time | STWS with $m=24$ |  |  | STWS with $m=32$ |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $x_{1}(t)$ | $x_{2}(t)$ | $x_{3}(t)$ | $x_{1}(t)$ | $x_{2}(t)$ | $x_{3}(t)$ |
| 0.0 | 2.00000 | -1.00000 | -2.00000 | 2.00000 | -1.00000 | -2.00000 |
| 0.125 | 1.75175 | -0.75175 | -1.97189 | 1.75175 | -0.75175 | -1.97189 |
| 0.25 | 1.50706 | -0.50706 | -1.94309 | 1.50706 | -0.50706 | -1.94309 |
| 0.375 | 1.26601 | -0.26601 | -1.91353 | 1.26601 | -0.26601 | -1.91353 |
| 0.5 | 1.02871 | -0.02871 | -1.88316 | 1.02871 | -0.02871 | -1.88316 |
| 0.625 | 0.79526 | 0.20474 | -1.85187 | 0.79526 | 0.20474 | -1.85187 |
| 0.75 | 0.56578 | 0.43422 | -1.81960 | 0.56578 | 0.43422 | -1.81960 |
| 0.875 | 0.34040 | 0.65960 | -1.78622 | 0.34040 | 0.65960 | -1.78622 |
| 1.0 | 0.11927 | 0.88073 | -1.75160 | 0.11927 | 0.88073 | -1.75160 |

Table 5.5. Estimated values of $x_{1}(t), x_{2}(t)$, and $x_{3}(t)$ by Haar wavelets with $m=32$ and $m=128$.

| Time | Haar wavelets with $m=32$ |  |  | Haar wavelets with $m=128$ |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $x_{1}(t)$ | $x_{2}(t)$ | $x_{3}(t)$ | $x_{1}(t)$ | $x_{2}(t)$ | $x_{3}(t)$ |
| 0.0 | 2.0000 | -1.0000 | -2.0000 | 2.0000 | -1.0000 | -2.0000 |
| 0.125 | 1.7517 | -0.7517 | -1.9719 | 1.7517 | -0.7517 | -1.9719 |
| 0.25 | 1.5071 | -0.5071 | -1.9431 | 1.5071 | -0.5071 | -1.9431 |
| 0.375 | 1.2660 | -0.2660 | -1.9135 | 1.2660 | -0.2660 | -1.9135 |
| 0.5 | 1.0287 | -0.0287 | -1.8832 | 1.0287 | -0.0287 | -1.8832 |
| 0.625 | 0.7953 | 0.2047 | -1.8519 | 0.7953 | 0.2047 | -1.8519 |
| 0.75 | 0.5658 | 0.4342 | -1.8196 | 0.5658 | 0.4342 | -1.8196 |
| 0.875 | 0.3404 | 0.6596 | -1.7862 | 0.34040 | 0.6596 | -1.7862 |
| 1.0 | 0.1193 | 0.8807 | -1.7516 | 0.1193 | 0.8807 | -1.7516 |

## 6. Conclusion

The properties of STWS are used to solve the time-varying singular nonlinear systems. The key idea is to transform the time-varying functions into STWS. The method can be implemented using a digital computer. It occupies less memory space and consumes less computer time than the method in [9]. Illustrative examples were included to demonstrate the validity and applicability of the technique.

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