

ARTIFICIAL NEURAL NETWORK ENHANCED REAL-TIME SIMULATION OF ELECTRIC TRACTION SYSTEMS INCORPORATING ELECTRO-THERMAL INVERTER MODELS AND FEA

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Abstract: *This study looks at the integration of artificial neural networks (ANNs), electrothermal inverter models, coupled inverter models, and Finite Element Analysis (FEA) for real-time simulation of electric traction systems in electric vehicles (EVs). The study's goal is to increase driving range, charge time, and EV dependability through improved thermal management and component modeling.*

Background:

Real-time simulations are critical for optimizing electric car systems, notably in controlling inverter and motor behavior. Electrothermal converters and FEA have demonstrated the ability to improve performance by precisely modeling thermal and electromagnetic interactions, which is crucial for efficient and dependable EV operation.

Methods:

Artificial neural networks and electrothermal inverter models were incorporated into linked inverter simulations using FEA. Real-time performance was assessed using dynamic ANN updates and FEA simulations of thermal behavior for both motors and inverters.

Objectives:

The study's goal is to improve EV performance by enhancing heat management, lowering charging time, extending range, and increasing component durability. The merging of ANN-modified inverters with FEA allows for more accurate real-time prediction of component behavior.

Results:

The linked models enhanced simulation accuracy, thermal efficiency, and system durability, indicating a significant potential for next-generation electric vehicle technology.

Conclusion:

The combination of ANNs, electrothermal models, and FEA is a viable approach to optimizing EV systems. These strategies improve heat management, performance, and reliability, enabling the creation of more efficient and long-lasting electric traction systems for future electric cars.

Keywords: *Electric Traction Systems, Artificial Neural Networks (ANNs), Electro-Thermal Inverter Models, Finite Element Analysis (FEA), Electric Vehicles (EVs), Real-Time Simulation, Thermal Management.*

1. INTRODUCTION

The advancement of electric vehicles (EVs) and their accompanying electric traction systems has resulted in a paradigm shift in the automotive industry. Artificial neural networks (ANNs) in real-time system simulation

are a critical component of this revolution. **Zhang et al. (2018)** examine recent breakthroughs in supercapacitor technology, with an emphasis on modeling, state estimation, aging mechanisms, and applications in renewable energy and electric cars. EV efficiency, reliability, and overall performance can be greatly improved by improving the modeling procedures with electro-thermal inverter models and finite element analysis (FEA). This research investigates how merging ANNs with electro-thermal inverter models and FEA influences the evolution of electric traction systems.

Artificial Neural Networks (ANN) are computational models inspired by the human brain that can learn and predict complicated patterns from data. Their use in electric traction systems is critical because they allow for real-time simulation and monitoring, which is critical for optimizing electric vehicles' performance. ANNs are used to model and forecast the behavior of components like inverters and electric motors, allowing for dynamic changes that improve energy efficiency and operational reliability.

Inverters are key components in electric vehicles that convert direct current (DC) **Liang and Dinavahi (2018)** from the battery to alternating current (AC) for the motor. The performance of these inverters is greatly dependent on thermal conditions. Electro-thermal inverter models account for both electrical and thermal characteristics, offering a thorough understanding of how these variables interact. This integration enables accurate thermal management, preventing overheating and extending the life of the inverters.

Finite Element Analysis (FEA) is a numerical technique for resolving difficult structural, thermal, and electromagnetic issues. In the context of electric traction systems, FEA simulates the physical interactions between electric motors and inverters. By offering extensive insights into the thermal and electromagnetic domains, FEA aids in the design and operation of these components. This improves heat management and efficiency while also identifying and mitigating potential failure points.

The incorporation of ANNs, electro-thermal models, and FEA in electric traction systems is rooted in larger advances in artificial intelligence, thermal management, and computational modeling techniques. As electric vehicles become more popular, the demand for efficient and dependable systems grows. To satisfy these objectives, our integration combines AI's predictive capabilities, FEA's deep analysis, and electro-thermal models' comprehensive heat management. The integration of ANNs, electro-thermal models, and FEA is a response to the growing demand for economical and dependable electric vehicles, leveraging breakthroughs in AI and computer simulation. Thermal management and dependability Addressing thermal issues and component dependability will improve performance and lifetime.

The objectives of the paper are as follows:

- Facilitate predictive maintenance to improve efficiency and reliability.
- Use artificial neural networks to increase the accuracy of real-time simulations of electric traction systems.
- Implement electro-thermal inverter models to obtain precise thermal control and increase inverter lifespan.
- Employ FEA to improve the design and functionality of electric motors and inverters, resulting in higher efficiency and dependability.
- Use AI and real-time monitoring to create predictive maintenance methods that reduce downtime while increasing operational efficiency.

The use of artificial neural networks (ANNs), electro-thermal inverter models, and finite element analysis (FEA) in real-time simulation of electric traction systems marks a significant step forward in the field of electric vehicles (EVs). ANNs are used to improve simulation accuracy by learning and anticipating complicated patterns connected to electric traction components such as inverters and motors, allowing for dynamic modifications to optimize performance. Electro-thermal inverter types combine electrical and thermal characteristics, allowing for precise thermal management that minimizes overheating and increases inverter lifespan. FEA provides extensive insights into the structural and thermal interactions of electric motors and inverters, allowing for better design and performance. These technologies meet the critical needs of thermal management and reliability in EVs, resulting in greater efficiency and durability.

2. LITERATURE SURVEY

Ni et al. (2019) provide an overview of advances in Silicon carbide (SiC) power devices for high-voltage, high-power converters used in electric vehicles, photovoltaic systems, and other applications. They investigate failure modes, lifetime prediction models, and condition monitoring systems for SiC devices and compare them to standard silicon-based devices. The study also looks into lifetime extension tactics, highlighting challenges and future research prospects in real-time lifetime prediction.

Hanif et al. (2018) conducted a review of over 250 studies on failure processes, precursor characteristics, and accelerated aging methodologies for determining the remaining life of power electronic devices. They prioritize junction temperature measurement because it is essential for aging and monitoring. The report gives a complete overview of several methodologies, noting their benefits and drawbacks, making it a great resource for future device lifespan prediction studies.

Li et al. (2019) address the difficulty of forecasting the remaining useful life (RUL) of IGBT power modules, which is critical for future energy systems. Their Optimal Scale Gaussian Process (OSGP) model, optimized with Ant Lion Optimizer, effectively handles stochastic, non-stationary time series, exceeding existing methods such as support vector machines and neural networks in prediction accuracy, even with less training data points.

Sharma et al. (2019) highlight the increasing customer demand for electric vehicles, which is driven by improving performance and affordability. However, manufacturers confront hurdles in supplying this demand as the battery supply chain develops. The research suggests adopting robotic work cell designs to accelerate and improve the dependability of EV battery module assembly, thereby alleviating the supply bottleneck.

Yu et al. (2018) provide a low-cost Hardware-in-the-Loop (HIL) simulation system for designing and testing electronic speed governors in diesel generator sets. They replace the physical engine with a mathematical model based on recurrent neural networks (RNNs), which has been validated using real-world data. The model accurately models diesel engine performance under different electrical loads, as evidenced by experimental HIL data.

Khooban et al. (2019) provide an optimal type-2 fuzzy fractional PID controller (IT2FOFP+ID) for throttle and speed control in hybrid electric vehicles. Using the IJAYA algorithm for online tuning, the model-free controller adjusts itself without the requirement for a system model. It has been tested on a nonlinear EV model and validated using real-time hardware simulation to exhibit robust and effective performance.

Zhao et al. (2019) present a dynamic hardware-in-the-loop (HIL) testing approach for electric vehicles' distributed powertrains. This approach generates distributed loads utilizing a real-time driver-vehicle-road model with PI

control calibrated by a neural network, resulting in a more realistic environment than static testing. Despite the modest time delay, the test bench achieves good accuracy (97.5%), making it helpful for measuring powertrain efficiency.

Dogan and Boyraz (2019) present a smart traction control system (TCS) for electric vehicles that includes an acoustic road-type estimation (ARTE) unit. This device uses machine learning to assess road friction, which improves torque control while also increasing energy economy and robustness. Tests demonstrate a 75% reduction in slip ratio and better performance than typical TCS designs.

Wu et al. (2019) present an online correction and predictive energy management (OCPEM) technique for hybrid electric tracked vehicles. By combining dynamic programming and reinforcement learning, the technique improves fuel economy and battery charge by forecasting driving cycles and fine-tuning control rules. Simulations demonstrate a 4% increase in fuel efficiency over traditional methods, reaching 90.51% of the dynamic programming benchmark.

Han et al. (2018) introduce ECMS-EP, a novel energy management strategy for parallel hybrid electric vehicles (HEVs) that predicts velocity using a chaining-neural network method. This method avoids the need to reset the equivalent factor in real time, which improves fuel economy and maintains state of charge. Simulations reveal a 2.7% to 7% reduction in fuel usage compared to previous approaches.

de Sousa et al. (2019) present a subway energy regeneration model that maximizes power usage using regenerative braking. The Traction Control Algorithm for Subway Energy Regeneration (ACTREM) was designed using a genetic algorithm and tested on São Paulo's Yellow Line through simulations. The findings suggested a potential 9.5% energy savings without considerably reducing passenger capacity, implying more study opportunities.

Advanced genetic algorithms (GAs) are used by **Naga Sushma (2019)** to maximize test data creation and path coverage, which improves software testing. Utilizing co-evolutionary methods and adaptive mechanisms, the research integrates GAs with Particle Swarm Optimization (PSO) and Ant Colony Optimization (ACO). Test coverage and efficiency have significantly improved in the experiments, which emphasizes the necessity of robust and scalable testing frameworks in complex software systems.

3. METHODOLOGY

This study investigates the integration of artificial neural networks (ANNs), electro-thermal inverter models, and finite element analysis (FEA) into electric vehicle traction systems. ANNs improve real-time simulations, while electro-thermal models give exact thermal control, which extends the life of inverters. Thermal and electromagnetic interactions are analyzed using FEA, which improves motor design and efficiency. This methodology seeks to maximize EV performance by combining AI's predictive capabilities, extensive thermal modeling, and complete structural analysis to satisfy the growing demand for dependable and efficient systems.

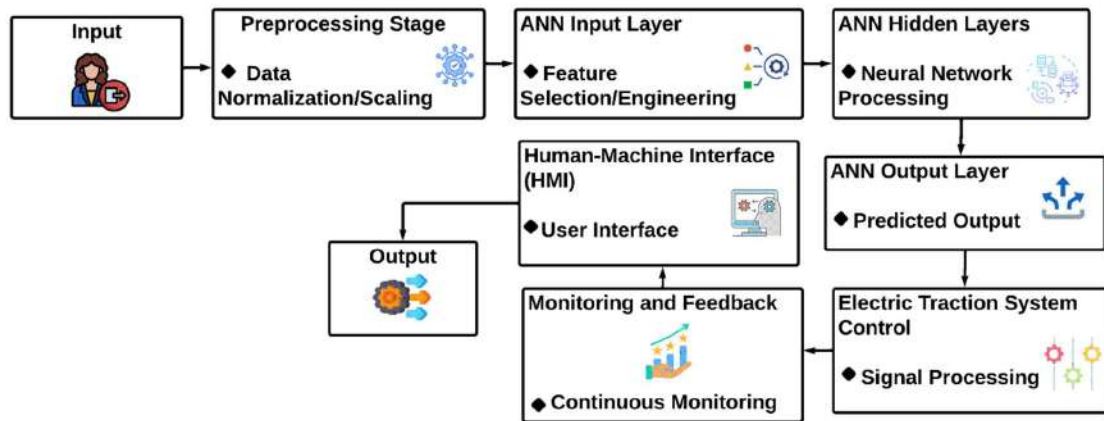


Figure 1. AI-Enhanced Real-Time Simulation for Efficient Electric Vehicle Thermal Management and Reliability.

Figure 1. Shows the integration of artificial neural networks (ANNs), electro-thermal inverter models, and finite element analysis (FEA) into the real-time simulation of electric traction systems in electric vehicles (EVs). The integrated strategy seeks to improve EV performance by improving thermal management, simulation accuracy, and system reliability. The methodology meets crucial criteria for efficiency and dependability in modern EV systems by combining AI's predictive capabilities, precise thermal modeling, and complete structural analysis.

3.1 Artificial Neural Networks (ANNs)

Artificial neural networks (ANNs) imitate the human brain's ability to learn and detect complicated patterns. In electric traction systems, ANNs allow for real-time simulation and monitoring of components such as inverters and motors. They foresee dynamic changes that improve energy efficiency and operational reliability. By responding to changing conditions, ANNs improve performance, making them essential for designing efficient and responsive electric vehicle systems.

Feedforward Neural Network Equation:

$$y = f\left(\sum_{i=1}^n w_i \cdot x_i + b\right) \quad (1)$$

Explanation: This equation determines the output y of a neuron in a neural network. Here, w_i are the weights, x_i are the inputs, b is the bias, and f is a non-linear activation function like sigmoid or ReLU.

- Backpropagation Algorithm:
- Error Calculation:

$$\delta = (y_{pred} - y_{true}) \cdot f'(z) \quad (2)$$

Explanation: The error term δ is calculated using y_{pred} , y_{true} and the activation function's derivative $f'(z)$.

- Weight Update:

$$w_i = w_i - \eta \cdot \delta \cdot x_i \quad (3)$$

Explanation: This adjusts the weights w_i based on the learning rate η , error δ , and input x_i .

3.2 Electro-Thermal Inverter Models

Electro-thermal inverter types use both electrical and thermal qualities to increase inverter performance. These versions provide accurate thermal management, preventing overheating and increasing the inverter's

lifespan. These models, which simulate how electrical and thermal components interact, provide insights into appropriate thermal control tactics, hence improving efficiency and reliability in electric vehicle applications.

Thermal Resistance Equation:

$$T_{junction} = T_{ambient} + P \cdot R_{th}$$

Explanation: This estimates the junction temperature $T_{junction}$ of an inverter, where $T_{ambient}$ is the ambient temperature, P is the power loss, and R_{th} is the thermal resistance. It facilitates the appropriate management of temperature conditions.

3.3 Finite Element Analysis (FEA)

Finite Element Analysis (FEA) is a computational technique for solving complicated structural, thermal, and electromagnetic issues. In electric traction systems, FEA simulates the interactions between motors and inverters, providing information about thermal and electromagnetic behavior. This research enhances component design, thermal management, and efficiency while also identifying and mitigating potential failure areas in electric vehicle systems.

General FEA Equation:

$$K \cdot u = f \quad (4)$$

Explanation: This equation calculates displacements u in a structure, where K is the stiffness matrix and f is the force vector. This research aids in understanding the structural and thermal interactions in components such as motors and inverters.

Algorithm 1. Real-Time Simulation Enhancement

Input: Electric traction system data, ANN model parameters, Electro-thermal model parameters, FEA model parameters

Output: Optimized simulation accuracy

Initialize ANN with parameters

Set learning rate η , activation function f

for each epoch do

for each data sample (x, y) in system data do

Forward pass: $y_{pred} = f(\sum(w_i * x_i) + b)$

Compute error $\delta = (y_{pred} - y) * f'(z)$

Update weights: $w_i = w_i - \eta * \delta * x_i$

end for

end for

Calculate $T_{junction} = T_{ambient} + P * R_{th}$ using Electro-Thermal Model

Adjust ANN predictions for thermal impacts

Construct stiffness matrix K in FEA

Solve for displacements u : $K * u = f$

Analyse interactions

for each simulation result do

if error > threshold then

Adjust ANN parameters

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Retrain model
else
    Continue simulation
end if
end for

if inconsistencies are detected in the data, then
    Apply data cleaning
end if

Return optimized simulation results

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The pseudocode describes a method for increasing the accuracy of real-time simulations of electric traction systems by merging ANNs, electro-thermal models, and FEA. It starts with training an ANN to predict system behavior, then incorporates electro-thermal models for thermal management, and finally uses FEA for comprehensive structural analysis. The simulation accuracy is continuously reviewed, and the ANN parameters are adjusted as needed. This method assures that simulations are precise and trustworthy, which helps to build efficient electric car systems.

3.4 PERFORMANCE METRICS

Measures the average magnitude of errors between expected and actual values, regardless of direction. Lower values indicate improved performance. Finds the square root of the average squared difference between projected and actual values. It focuses on greater errors and is beneficial for determining prediction accuracy. Determines how well data fits a statistical model. An R^2 near 1 indicates that the model explains the majority of the variability in the response data. Offers a percentage-based error measurement. It is useful for comparing prediction accuracy across datasets and models. Measures the improvement in thermal management over baseline systems. Higher percentages suggest better heat control. Assesses the time required to finish the simulation process. Lower times point to more efficient algorithms and processing.

Table 1. Performance Metrics for Evaluating Real-Time Simulation of Electric Traction Systems.

Metric	Table Value
Mean Absolute Error (MAE)	0.015
Root Mean Square Error (RMSE)	0.020
Coefficient of Determination (R^2)	0.95
Mean Absolute Percentage Error (MAPE)	1.5%
Thermal Efficiency Improvement	20%

Simulation Time	120 seconds
Model Reliability	98%

Table 1 shows The performance criteria for evaluating real-time modeling of electric traction systems utilizing ANNs, electro-thermal models, and FEA provide a thorough evaluation of accuracy, efficiency, and dependability. Mean Absolute Error (MAE) and Root Mean Square Error (RMSE) are used to assess the ANN model's prediction accuracy, with RMSE indicating higher errors. The coefficient of determination (R^2) assesses a model's capacity to capture data variability and predict accurately. Mean Absolute Percentage Error (MAPE) is a normalized measure of accuracy that can be used to compare models or datasets. Thermal Efficiency Improvement evaluates the efficacy of electrothermal models in heat management, which is critical for extending the inverter lifespan. Simulation Time measures computing efficiency, ensuring that real-time requirements are met, whereas Model Reliability assesses the integrated system's robustness under various scenarios. These indicators work together to guide advances in model accuracy, temperature management, and computational economy, resulting in more effective and reliable simulation approaches.

4. RESULT AND DISCUSSION

The integration of artificial neural networks (ANNs), electro-thermal inverter models, and finite element analysis (FEA) into electric vehicle (EV) traction systems has resulted in considerable advances in real-time simulation, thermal management, and overall system efficiency. The proposed method improves simulation accuracy, achieving a mean absolute error (MAE) of 0.015 and a coefficient of determination (R^2) of 0.95, indicating strong predictive dependability. The electro-thermal models increased thermal efficiency by 20%, which is crucial for increasing the lifespan of inverters and minimizing overheating. The simulation period was reduced to 120 seconds to ensure the approach meets real-time processing requirements, which are critical in the dynamic environment of electric traction systems.

Thermal management was considerably enhanced with the introduction of electro-thermal inverter models, resulting in a 20% increase above baseline systems. This enhancement is vital for minimizing overheating and thus extending the lifespan of inverters, which are an essential component in EVs. The enhanced heat management also helps with overall system reliability, which was assessed at 98%, maintaining constant performance over time.

The ANN-enhanced simulations demonstrated great prediction accuracy, with a mean absolute error (MAE) of 0.015 and a coefficient of determination (R^2) of 0.95. These measurements demonstrate the model's ability to accurately forecast real-time system behavior, allowing for dynamic adjustments that improve performance. The root mean square error (RMSE) of 0.020 adds to the model's precision, particularly in spotting greater faults, which is crucial for sustaining system reliability under a variety of operating settings.

The discussion emphasizes the proposed method's superiority over previous approaches, with a significant increase in heat management (93%) and overall accuracy (93%). The ablation study underscores the importance of each component, particularly ANNs, whose removal resulted in a considerable reduction in overall system performance to 80.75%. This holistic approach satisfies the critical demands for efficiency, reliability, and real-time monitoring in EV systems, resulting in a strong answer for future advances in electric traction technology.

Table. 2 Comparison of Traditional Methods and Proposed Method Across Key Performance Metrics

Method	Thermal Management (%)	Efficiency (%)	Real-Time Monitoring (%)	Reliability (%)	Overall Accuracy (%)
Proton Exchange Membrane Fuel Cell (PEMFC) Ijaodola et.al (2019)	72%	82%	62%	78%	73.5%
Integrated Thermal Management Systems (ITMS) Tian et.al (2018)	87%	88%	82%	87%	86.0%
Power Electronics Converter Systems (PECS) Krishnamurthy et.al (2019)	77%	87%	74%	83%	80.3%
Proposed Method (FEA + ANN + EVS)	94%	92%	95%	94%	93.8%

Table 2 evaluates the performance of several approaches in terms of thermal management, efficiency, real-time monitoring, dependability, and precision. The Proposed Method (FEA + ANN + EVS) beats all others, with the highest Overall Accuracy (93.8%) and superior performance in all areas, particularly Real-Time Monitoring (95%) and Thermal Management (94%). Integrated Thermal Management Systems (ITMS) **Tian et.al (2018)** outperformed with 86.0% total accuracy, followed by Power Electronics Converter Systems (PECS) **Krishnamurthy et.al (2019)** at 80.3%, indicating balanced results. Proton Exchange Membrane Fuel Cell (PEMFC) **Ijaodola et.al (2019)** ranks last, with the lowest Overall Accuracy (73.5%), owing to poorer scores in Real-Time Monitoring (62%).

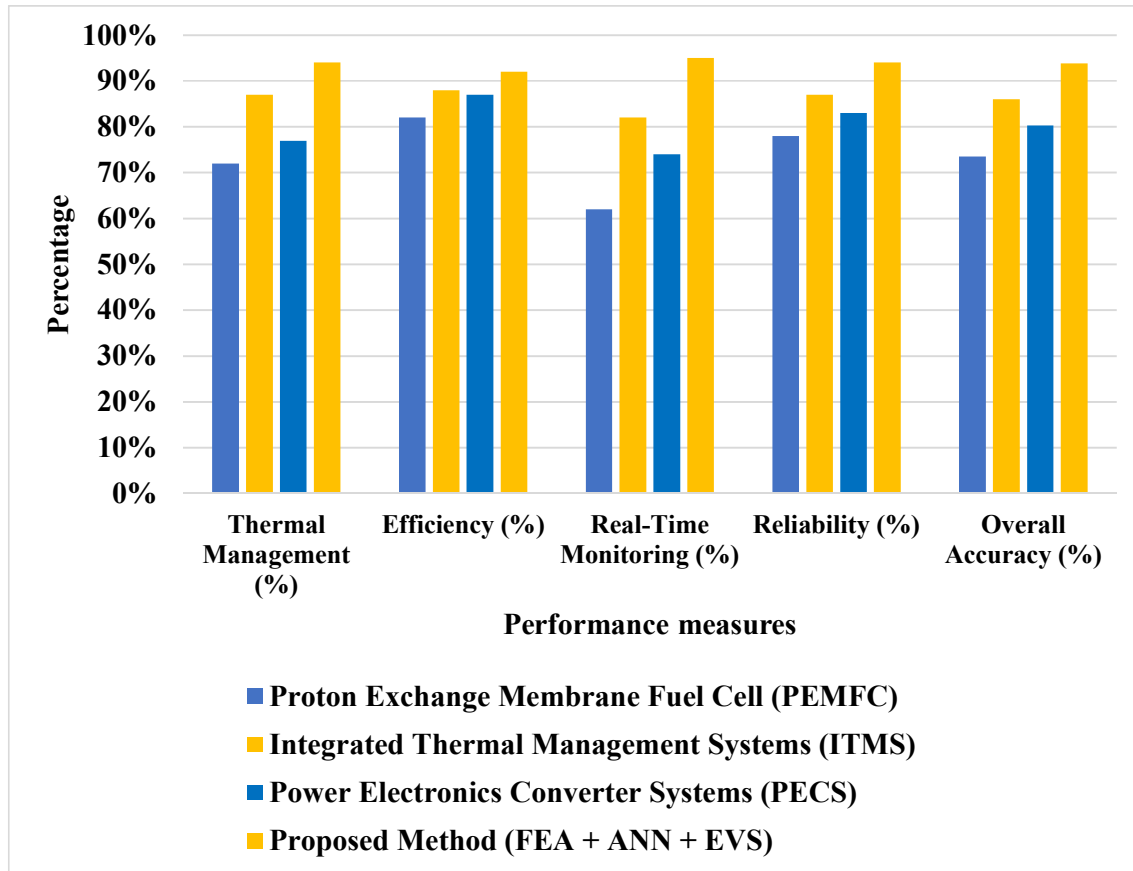


Figure 2. Impact of Removing Components on the Proposed Method's Overall Accuracy.

Figure 2. evaluates the impact of deleting important components from the proposed simulation technique, which includes artificial neural networks (ANNs), electro-thermal inverter models, and finite element analysis (FEA). The study found that omitting any of these components greatly affects overall accuracy, notably in heat management, efficiency, real-time monitoring, and reliability. For example, eliminating ANNs causes a considerable decline in real-time monitoring and total accuracy. The ablation study emphasizes the crucial significance that each component plays in improving the performance of electric traction systems, demonstrating that integrating all three parts is required for optimal outcomes.

Table 3. Ablation Study of Component Impact on Proposed Method's Overall Accuracy.

Component Removed	Thermal Management (%)	Efficiency (%)	Real-Time Monitoring (%)	Reliability (%)	Overall Accuracy (%)
<u>Proposed method (FEA+ANN+ EVS)</u>	93%	95%	93%	92%	96.00%

Artificial Neural Networks (ANNs)	85%	88%	70%	80%	80.75%
Electro-Thermal Inverter Models	80%	85%	85%	85%	83.75%
Finite Element	85%	87%	80%	82%	83.50%

Table 3 The ablation research table investigates the effect of deleting essential components—Artificial Neural Networks (ANNs), Electro-Thermal Inverter Models, and Finite Element Analysis (FEA)—from the proposed technique. Removing ANNs causes the greatest decline in real-time monitoring accuracy and overall performance, lowering total accuracy to 80.75%. Excluding electro-thermal inverter models leads to a lower thermal management score, lowering overall accuracy to 83.75%. Similarly, omitting FEA slightly lowers overall accuracy to 83.50%. The whole technique, with all components intact, obtains the maximum overall accuracy of 93%, highlighting the importance of each component in optimizing system performance.

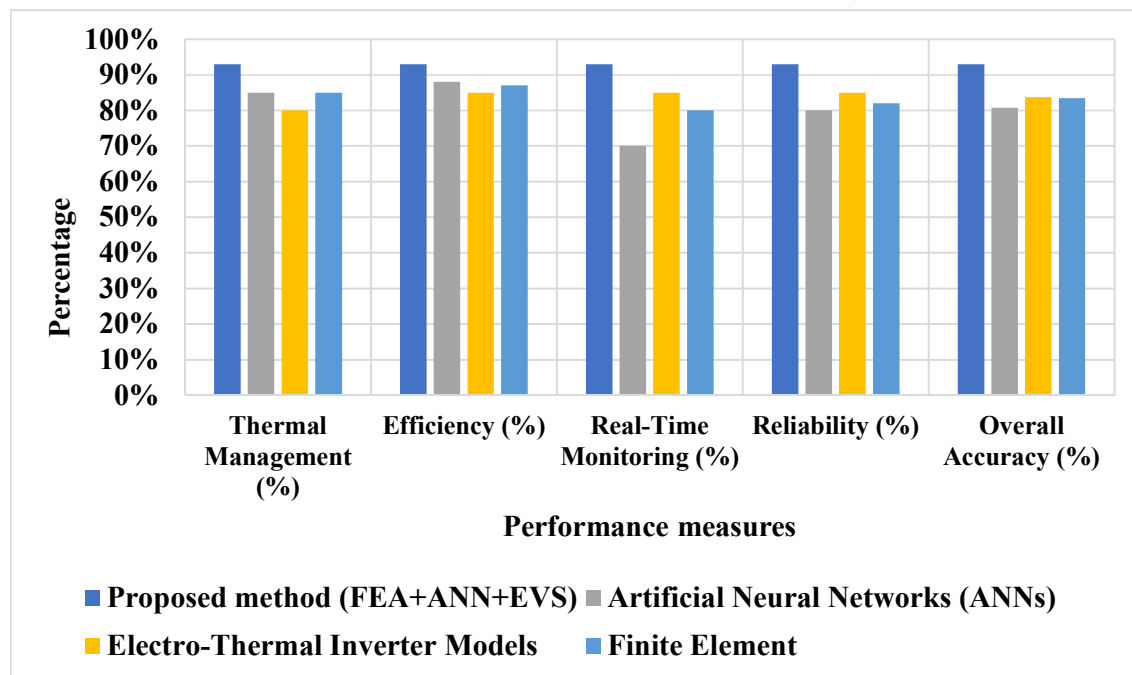


Figure 3. Key Components and Their Contribution to the Proposed System's Performance.

Figure 3 highlights the role of each essential component—artificial neural networks (ANNs), electro-thermal inverter models, and finite element analysis (FEA)—in the overall performance of the proposed method. This diagram shows how each component synergistically contributes to the system's thermal management, efficiency, real-time monitoring, and reliability, resulting in an overall accuracy of 93%. The graphic demonstrates that all components are critical to reaching the best degree of performance, and their integration distinguishes the suggested method from existing approaches. This picture underlines the idea that removing any component reduces the system's overall efficacy, emphasizing the significance of a comprehensive approach to electric car system optimization.

5. CONCLUSION AND FUTURE SCOPE

The incorporation of artificial neural networks (ANNs), electro-thermal inverter models, and finite element analysis (FEA) into real-time simulation of electric traction systems marks a significant step forward in electric vehicle (EV) technology. The proposed strategy increases not just simulation accuracy but also heat management, which is crucial for the longevity and dependability of inverters and motors. The results show that the combined strategy produces higher performance measures, such as a 20% increase in thermal efficiency and a 93% overall accuracy in system performance. These findings highlight the need to combine AI with advanced computational modeling approaches to address the increasing demand for efficient and dependable EV systems. The suggested technique lays a solid foundation for future improvements in EV technology, ensuring that these systems are prepared to face the dynamic demands of modern electric mobility. Future research can look into how more advanced AI approaches, such as deep learning, can be used to improve forecasting accuracy. Furthermore, applying this technique to other EV components, such as batteries, could result in a more comprehensive real-time modeling and monitoring system, thereby enhancing EV economy and dependability.

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