High Quality Performance of Three Level Inverter Based AC Drives

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factor produced by rectification of AC power supply by the uncontrolled rectifier. The dc voltage from the dual boost converter is fed to 3-q multi-level inverter which controlled by (SVPWM) technique for driving three phase induction motor. The proposed control system is described obviously.

II. PROPOSED METHOD

The proposed control system DTC-SVM dependent on amplitude stator voltage and stator flux angle. The calculation of reference torque and flux based on design two PI speed controllers. In this proposed method design PI torque, PI flux for controlling in amplitude stator voltage. While controlling the stator flux angle by slip angular frequency and rotor angular frequency. DTC SVM system of a simple block diagram is shown in Figure 1. Its system consists of five main sections. These sections; stator flux and torque estimator, two PI speed controllers, PI torque, PI flux controller, PI controller for slip angular frequency and transformation from Cartesian to polar to estimation the amplitude of stator voltage, while transformation from polar to Cartesian to estimation stator voltages in d-q axis at next sampling time. The stator voltages in d-q axis are transformed from the d-q axis to α-β axis by parks transformation to fed space vector modulation (SVM). The SVM is applied to three levels NPC which feeding induction motor drive.

In the figure (1) The speed calculation is compare with absolute value of the reference speed and the error signal applied to the PI speed controller to obtain reference flux linkage as shown in fig (2).

The error between reference flux and actual stator flux linkage is applied to PI flux controller to produce stator voltage in dq axis as follow:

\[ U_{sd} = K_p [E \Psi_s + \frac{1}{T_1} \int E \Psi_s \, dt ] \]  

The flux error is equal:

\[ E \Psi_s = \Psi_{s,ref} - \Psi_{s,cal} \]  

Where \( U_{sd}, E \Psi_s \) is stator voltage and error flux, respectively.

The error between speed calculated and reference speed is applied to PI speed controller to obtain reference electromagnetic torque as follow:

\[ T_{ref} = K_p [E \omega + \frac{1}{T_1} \int E \omega \, dt ] \]  

The speed error is equal:

\[ E \omega = \omega_{e,ref} - \omega_{e,cal} \]

Then the error between reference torque and actual torque of induction motor is applied to PI torque controller to produce stator voltage in dq axis as follow:

\[ U_{sq} = K_p [E T e + \frac{1}{T_1} \int E T e \, dt ] \]  

The torque error is equal;

\[ E T e = T_{e,ref} - T_{e,cal} \]

The stator voltage obtained by equation (1,5) are transformed into amplitude voltage based on transformation Cartesian to polar. Output can be expressed as:

\[ |U| = \sqrt{U_q^2 + U_d^2} \]  

Also, the error from comparative reference torque with an actual torque applied to PI slip angular frequency to estimate the value of slip angular frequency (\( W_{sl} \)) required to regulate stator flux angle can be expressed as:

\[ W_{sl} = K_p [E T e + \frac{1}{T_1} \int E T e \, dt ] \]  

Then the stator angular frequency equal

\[ W_s = W_e + W_{sl} \]  

Where, \( W_s, W_e, W_{sl} \) are rotor, stator and slip angular frequency, respectively. Then obtain the stator flux angle as bellow:
\[ \theta_s = \int W_s \, dt \]  
\[ (10) \]

Based on the position of the amplitude stator and stator flux angle it’s switching selected to produce the appropriate voltage vectors to control on torque and flux. Then applying equations (7,10) on polar to Cartesian transformation on both stator flux angle and amplitude stator voltage to obtain the stator voltage in d-q axis which can expressed as:

\[ U_{sd} = |U| \cos \theta_s \]  
\[ (11) \]

\[ U_{sq} = |U| \sin \theta_q \]  
\[ (12) \]

Then the error of the voltage can be expressed as:

\[ EU_d = U_d - U_{d_{cal}} \]  
\[ (13) \]

\[ EU_q = U_q - U_{q_{cal}} \]  
\[ (14) \]

The reference of stator voltages in d-q axis are computed to make the stator voltage error is zero at next sample period. The following stator voltages are expressed as:

\[ U_{sd}(i + 1) = EU_d + R_s I_{sd}(i) \]  
\[ (15) \]

\[ U_{sq}(i + 1) = EU_q + R_s I_{sq}(i) \]  
\[ (16) \]

The stator voltage obtain in dq axis by the above equation are converted to two phase system in alpha (α), beta (β) axis which fed SVM using transformation can be written in matrix form:

\[
\begin{bmatrix}
U_a
U_b
\end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix}
\cos(\omega t) & -\sin(\omega t) \\
\sin(\omega t) & \cos(\omega t)
\end{bmatrix}
\begin{bmatrix}
U_{sd} \\
U_{sq}
\end{bmatrix}
\]  
\[ (17) \]

III. MODELLING OF DTC-SVM OF INDUCTION MOTOR

Reference frame theory is most widely used in mathematical modeling of DCT-SVM of induction motor to convert from three-phase quantities (abc) become two-phase quantities (dq) is required in order to facilitate the analysis in the setting of position or speed and also in order 3-phase induction motor has a behavior resembles the DC motor and thus more easily controlled [7]. Convert from three phase system to dq axis system by park’s transformation can be written in matrix form:

\[
\begin{bmatrix}
V_d \\
V_q
\end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix}
\frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \\
\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}
\end{bmatrix}
\begin{bmatrix}
V_a \\
V_b \\
V_c
\end{bmatrix}
\]  
\[ (18) \]

Become equations induction motor after the conversion of the three-phase system to two-phase system as follows:

A. Voltage equation in dq axis

\[ U_{d1} = R_1 I_{d1} - \omega_1 \Psi_{q1} \]  
\[ (19) \]

\[ U_{q1} = R_1 I_{q1} + \omega_1 \Psi_{d1} \]  
\[ (20) \]

\[ U'_{d2} = R'_2 I'_{d2} + (\omega - \omega_1) \Psi'_{q2} \]  
\[ (21) \]

\[ U'_{q2} = R'_2 I'_{q2} - (\omega - \omega_1) \Psi'_{q2} \]  
\[ (22) \]

Where the flux linkages:

\[
\begin{bmatrix}
\Psi_{d1} \\
\Psi_{q1}
\end{bmatrix} = L_1 \begin{bmatrix} I_{d1} \\ I_{q1} \end{bmatrix} + L_h \begin{bmatrix} I'_{d2} \\ I'_{q2} \end{bmatrix} \]  
\[ (23) \]

\[
\begin{bmatrix}
\Psi'_{d2} \\
\Psi'_{q2}
\end{bmatrix} = L'_2 \begin{bmatrix} I'_{d2} \\ I'_{q2} \end{bmatrix} + L_h \begin{bmatrix} I_{d1} \\ I_{q1} \end{bmatrix} \]  
\[ (24) \]

Where, \( U_{d1}, U_{q1}, U'_{d2}, U'_{q2} \) is stator and rotor voltages in dq axis respectively. Then, \( I_{d1}, I_{q1}, I'_{d2}, I'_{q2} \) is stator and rotor currents in dq axis respectively. The resistance and inductance with mutual inductance of the stator and rotor are denoted as \( R_1, R'_2, L_1, L'_2, L_h \) respectively. The stator flux linkages and rotor flux linkages are denoted as \( \Psi_{d1}, \Psi_{q1}, \Psi'_{d2}, \Psi'_{q2} \) respectively. While \( \omega \) is angular frequency.

B. Stator flux linkages and electromagnetic torque calculation

Can rewrite equations of stator flux from the above voltage equations as follow:

\[ \frac{d\Psi_{d1}}{dt} = U_{d1} - R_1 I_{d1} \]  
\[ (25) \]

\[ \frac{d\Psi_{q1}}{dt} = U_{q1} - R_1 I_{q1} \]  
\[ (26) \]

The phase angle and magnitude of the stator flux (I_s) in dq axis can be expressed as:

\[ \Psi_s = \Psi_{d1} + j\Psi_{q1} \]  
\[ (27) \]

\[ |V_{ref}| = \sqrt{\Psi_{d1}^2 + \Psi_{q1}^2} \]  
\[ (28) \]

\[ \theta = \tan^{-1} \frac{\Psi_{q1}}{\Psi_{d1}} \]  
\[ (29) \]

The electromagnetic torque of the induction motor in terms of rotor speed can be expressed as follow:

\[ T_e = \frac{5}{6} P (\Psi_{d1} I_{q1} - \Psi_{q1} I_{d1}) \]  
\[ (30) \]

Where,

\[ TL \] is the load torque,

\[ Te \] is the electromagnetic torque

\[ P \] is the number of poles,

\[ J \] is the moment of inertia of rotor,

\[ \omega_r \] is the rotor speed,

\[ B \] is the damping coefficient.

IV. DTC-SVM WITH THREE-LEVEL INVERTER

In this scheme, the proposed control system DTC-SVM is shown in Figure (1) used three phase three-level NPC inverter instead of two level inverters. The three-level inverter used in
high-power medium voltage applications due to the three-level inverter has more advantage over standard two-level inverter, for example, more level voltage in output side, reduce voltage on the power switches, less dv/dt, less basic mode voltage and less total harmonics distortion in output current and voltage [8-10]. For generate gate pulses applied on switching of the three-level inverter using space vector modulation due to has several advantages, for example, identifies each switching sector in (α, β) space and directly uses the control variable come by the control system. The SVPWM is suitable for digital signal processing implementation and optimizes switching sequences. Considering the three-level inverter shown in Fig.4, shows that each switch has three possible positions. The map of synthesizable vectors significantly expands, as shown in Fig. 5. At the end of each vector are indicated the positions of the switches synthesize column. Shown in the same figure, some vectors are obtained with more than one combination of states of the switches. Precisely all vectors make the internal hexagon have two possible combinations, while the null vector has three. This redundancy feature can be summarized 19 different vectors $3^3 - 27$ possible combinations.

V. DUAL BOOST CONVERTER FOR POWER FACTOR CORRECTION

A Dual boost converter is designed to improve the power factor and reducing distortion in input side which leads reducing the power quality problems is placed in the front end of the circuit. The overall circuit diagram of the dual boost converter is shown in Fig.6.

A dual boost (DC-DC) converter in continuous current conduction mode has been considered as PFC because the current is continuous which leads to lower level of the distortion [11]. The PFC process is obtained by forcing the converter input current to be as close as possible in phase with the input voltage. The enhanced DC voltage produced from the structure as above fig (6) will be delivered to the three-phase three level inverters which drives 3-Φ induction motor. The overall proposed controlled power system with the control circuit which enter AC signal from supply to the rectifier and the output from the rectifier is dc. The dc voltage delivers to dual dc-dc boost converter which corrector the power factor. The dc out from dual dc-dc boost converter applied to the three-phase three level inverters. In a dual boost converter. It provides a regulated dc output voltage under varying load and input voltage conditions. The control of the output voltage should be performed in a closed-loop. The two usually common closed-loop control methods for PWM dc-dc converters, namely the voltage-mode control and the current mode control. Here, this technique (current mode control) works on comparisons between the Ref current and measured current in the comparator. The error signal compared with a saw tooth as a carrier constant high frequency for creating the pulses to the MOSFET as shown in fig (7).
VI. SIMULATION

The proposed DTC technique based on SVM with two PI speed controllers to calculated reference torque, flux, and design PI torque controller, PI flux controller for controlling the amplitude stator voltage. This proposed method was implemented and simulated using MATLAB/Simulink software package. The parameter of the induction motor which using in simulation are shown in table I. The Simulink model of the overall proposed control method is shown in fig (8).

### TABLE I. PARAMETERS OF INDUCTION MOTOR.

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<td>Rotor Resistance</td>
<td>10.4 Ohm</td>
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<td>Stator Inductivity</td>
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<td>Rotor Inductivity</td>
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<td>Mutual Inductivity</td>
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<tr>
<td>Inertia</td>
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<td>Nominal Frequency</td>
<td>50 Hz</td>
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<td>Nominal Power</td>
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VII. RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

Implement the above Simulink model of the DTC-SVM in MATLAB/Simulink. The result obtained from the proposed method with and without PFC describes the performance of the induction motor at rating 750W/380V. When the speed reference varied from 147 rad/sec to 118rad/sec with load torque 3 N.m at duration 0.2. The performance of input voltage, input current, stator current, speed response, performance of torque, stator flux and comparison between speed estimator and reference speed also torque estimator and reference torque as shown in fig (9) with compared without PFC as shown in fig (10). Total harmonics distortion in the input current and voltage are decreased radically and in the same time the input power factor is increased to near unity by using dual boost converter as shown in fig .9. (a) & (b) with compared fig 10 (h) & (i). In fig.9 (c) shows the stator currents are higher stability in the steady state and very low ripple with compared in fig.10 (j). Fig.9. (d) shows fast response with good tracking by reference speed with estimation speed and there is no steady state error as compared with fig.10 (k). While fig.9 (e) shows high-performance and response with very low ripple by reference torque with estimation torque as compared with fig.10 (l). In fig.9 (f) the Lucas of stator flux is improved with very low ripple as compared with fig.10. (m).
Figure 9. DTC-SVM with PFC. (a) input voltage, (b) input current, (c) dynamics stator currents, (d) speed response, (e) performance of torque, (f) locus of stator flux, (g) power factor with dual boost converter.
VIII. CONCLUSION

This paper describes a new power factor correction based on dual boost DC-DC converter at the front-end circuit of proposed system. This providing near unity power factor and reduce total harmonics distortion. The controlling of induction motor by DTC based on space vector modulation (SVM) that generate pulses to the power switching of the three-level NPC inverter which fed induction motor drive. In this method, optimize reference torque and flux using two PI speed controllers. The stator voltage in dq axis feeding space vector modulation is higher stability and no fluctuation because it depended on output stator voltage from two PI torque and flux controller. Based on the position of the stator flux, it’s switching selected to produce the appropriate voltage vectors to control both torque and flux. The proposed system of DTC-SVM shows a high dynamic performance of torque and flux with reduction ripples as compared with classical DTC-SVM and other methods such as vector control.

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