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Abstract

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In the thesis, a novel AC-DC rectifier is adopted to convert the variable AC voltages from wind generator to a constant dc-link voltage. A DC-AC inverter is used to transfer the energy to fixed ac grid as well as maintain the dc link voltage constant. The rectifier is connected to the generator, which has two sets of three-phase windings. Electrical excited or permanent magnetic synchronous generators are suitable for this rectifier. The AC-DC rectifier features low cost, low power losses and simple control structure.

The major content of this thesis consists of four parts. The first part investigates the operation of the AC-DC rectifier. The analysis illustrates the current paths in the rectifier and the remarkable voltage-boosting capability. A simulation model of the converter is built and verified. The second part models the synchronous generator with two sets of windings. The model is developed in the d-q synchronous reference frame. The simulation results from the model are verified by the experimental results. Then third part is the design of the control system, which involves the generator, the AC-DC rectifier and the constant dc-link voltage source. The control system composites of the inner current loop and the outer speed loop. The control system achieves the variable-speed operation of the generator and the regulation of the dc-link current. Finally, a prototype of wind turbine system is established in the lab to verify the analysis of rectifier, synchronous generator and control system design. The steady-state and transient responses of the wind system are compared. Simulation and experiment verify the analysis in this thesis.

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List of Symbols

1. Wind Turbine Variables

$P_{turbine}$	Extracted wind power
ρ	Air density
v_{wind}	Wind speed
r_{rotor}	Turbine rotor radius
A_v	Swiping area of turbine blade
C_p	Turbine power coefficient
λ	Tip speed ratio

2. AC-DC Rectifier Variables

V_{an}, V_{LL}	Phase and line-to-line voltages
V_{do}, V_d	Output dc voltage without and with source inductance
V_d	Dc voltage drop due to current commutation
I_d	Output dc current of rectifier
L_s	Source inductance
R_u	“Lossless” resistor due to current commutation
A_u	Volt-radian area due to current commutation

3. Synchronous Generator Model Variables

V, I, Λ	Matrix of voltages, currents and flux linkages
R_s	Diagonal matrix of stator winding resistance
r_s, r_{fd}	Stator and rotor winding resistance
p	Operator $\frac{d}{dt}$
L_{sfd}	Mutual inductance between stator and rotor
L_s, L_{fd}	Stator and rotor magnetizing inductance
L_{ls}, L_{lfd}	Stator and rotor leakage inductance
K_s	Transformation equation matrix
$(K_s)^{-1}$	Inverse transformation matrix

θ_r, ω_r	Rotor angular displacement and angular speed
T_e, T_m	Electromagnetic and mechanical torque
J	Machine inertia
P	Number of the pole pairs = 2

$$\omega_e = \frac{d}{dt}(2\theta_{re})$$

$$\omega_{re} = \frac{\omega_e}{P} = \frac{\omega_e}{2} = \frac{d\theta_{re}}{dt}$$

4. Control System Variables

F_δ, E_δ	Air-gap magnetic motive force and induced voltage
E_q	Generator internal voltage
S_1, S_2	Ideal switches
L_{dc}	Equivalent dc inductance
$f_{swi, min}$	Equivalent minimum switching frequency
f_c	Crossover frequency
K_p, K_i	Parameters of PI controller
ω_r^*, T_e^*, I_d^*	Rotor speed, electrical torque and dc current references

$$\omega_m = \text{mechanical speed of rotor (rad/sec)} \\ (\text{or } \omega_m)$$

$$\omega_e = \text{electrical speed of rotor in rad/sec} \\ (\text{our } \omega_e \text{ as well})$$

5. Low-Pass Filter Variables

ω_c, f_c	Corner frequency in rad/s and Hz
Q	Quality factor
K	Gain for pass band
$\theta(j\omega)$	Phase angle of the transfer function

6. Experiment Variables

P_{out}	Generator output active power
P_{dc}	Dc-link power
T_{shaft}	Shaft torque of the generator
η	Efficiency of the DC motor
F	Rotational coefficient

Chapter 1 Introduction

1.1 Wind Energy

The demand for electrical power increases in the world. Accompanying with that, the concern of environmental impact, such as natural resource exploitation, greenhouse emission and hazard nuclear waste, has been raised. Stimulated by the global warming, the whole world is seeking alternative energy sources to reduce the public stress on the environment. The potential alternative energy sources could be renewable energy sources, such as wind, solar, hydro, geothermal and tidal, which are naturally endless, environmentally friendly and domestic. Among them, in the past two decades, the wind energy has been developed progressively.

However, wind power faces a severe challenge, which is its cost. Long-term growth of renewable energy sources should be market driven by providing an alternative clean source for consumers and through advanced technology and market development [1]. In order to compete with other conventional electrical powers in market, many advanced technologies of wind turbine blades, generators and operation methods have been applied in the wind industry to lower the cost of wind power. In America, over the last 20 years, the cost of electricity from utility-scale wind systems has dropped by more than 80%. Nowadays, state-of-the-art wind power plants can generate electricity for less than 5 US cents/kWh with the production tax credit. The National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) is working with the wind industry to develop the next generation of wind turbine technology for generating electricity at even lower prices [2].

Wind power is always available domestically as long as there is wind. The advantage of wind energy cannot be achieved by conventional energy sources such as fossil fuels and nuclear. The endless cost-free wind power also implies that wind energy conversion system (WECS) will have relatively higher capital cost and significantly lower operation cost. In electrical engineering field, new technologies, such as power electronics, wind turbine generators (WTG) and new control algorithms for wind turbine operation, are contributed to reduce the over-all cost of wind turbine system and improve the efficiency of wind energy conversion. It can be foreseen that wind power is the most promising alternative energy source in the future.

1.2 Operating Modes of Wind Turbine

In existing wind energy conversion systems (WECS), two operating modes of wind turbine generators (WTG) have been developed. One is fixed-speed operating mode and the other is variable-speed operating mode. The determination of operating mode is based on the analysis of wind turbine aerodynamic characteristics.

The aerodynamic power $P_{turbine}$ extracted by a wind turbine from wind is related to the power coefficient and the cube of wind speed. The expression of $P_{turbine}$ is shown in Equation (1.1)

$$P_{turbine} = \frac{1}{2} C_p \rho A_v v_{wind}^3 = \frac{1}{2} C_p \rho \pi r_{rotor}^2 v_{wind}^3 \quad (1.1)$$

In the above equation, ρ is the air density; v_{wind} is the wind speed; r_{rotor} is the turbine rotor radius; A_v is the swiping area of turbine blade; C_p is the turbine power coefficient.

The power coefficient C_p is a function of tip speed ratio λ and turbine blade pitch angle β . For reducing cost of control system and turbine design, normally, a small-scale wind turbine system does not contain a pitch angle control. While pitch angle β is constant, the power coefficient C_p becomes only a function of tip speed ratio λ . The tip speed ratio λ is defined as

$$\lambda = \frac{v_{tip}}{v_{wind}} = \frac{r_{rotor} \omega_{rotor}}{v_{wind}} \quad (1.2)$$

Where, ω_{rotor} is turbine rotor angular velocity.

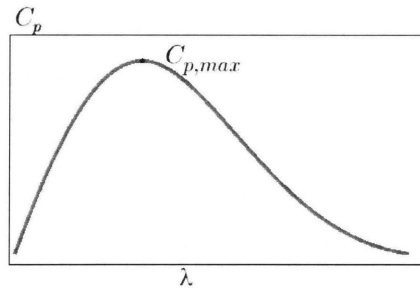


Figure 1.1 C_p versus λ

Figure 1.1 shows the plot of power coefficient C_p versus tip speed ratio λ for a fixed-pitch wind turbine. At a certain wind speed, the maximum $C_{p,max}$ can be obtained by the optimal λ . Hence, the maximum power can be extracted from wind according to equation (1.1). Under fixed

speed operation, the maximum $C_{p,max}$ can only be achieved at one wind speed. It may be necessary to use pitch control of turbine blades to optimize performance, thus introducing additional mechanical control. Under variable speed operation, it is possible to maintain the optimal λ at various wind speeds by regulating shaft speed of wind turbine generator (WTG). Hence, the maximum power is extracted from wind when wind speed is changing. Figure 1.2 illustrates turbine output power at different wind speeds under fixed-speed operation and variable-speed operation.

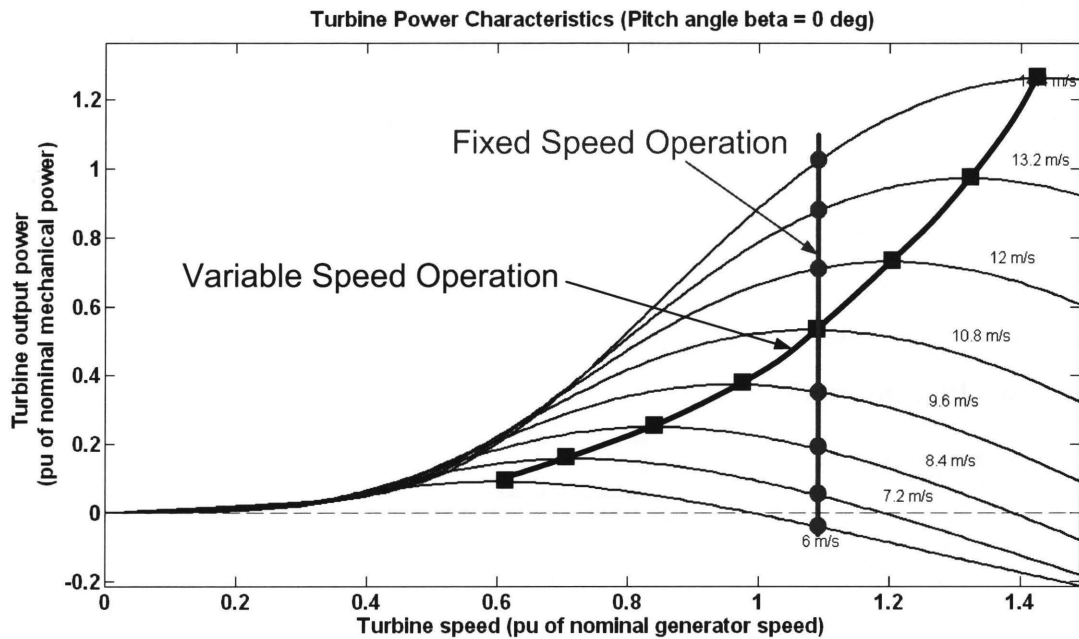


Figure 1.2 Wind turbine output power and shaft speed

Wind speed is highly variable in nature. The wind speed could change yearly, monthly, daily or over minutes. It has to be mentioned that the average of wind speed does not reflect the average power extracted by wind turbine. With identical average wind speed, wind turbine captures greater amount of energy over a period when wind speed has high fluctuation than when wind speed deviates very little. By considering the life span of wind turbine, over decades, the advantage of variable-speed operation is obvious.

For extracting maximum power from variable-speed wind, most modern WTGs are designed for variable-speed operation [3]. Compared with fixed-speed operating WTG, variable-speed operating WTG offers the advantages including:

1. It is more cost-effective by optimizing its output power for a larger wind speed range;
2. It reduces mechanical stresses in the drive train due to the capability of storing excessive energy of wind gusts in the mechanical system of the wind turbine;
3. It reduces audible noise when operating at low speed.

1.3 Configuration of Wind Turbine System

Typically, a wind turbine system consists of a wind turbine, generator, power electronics converter and grid connection circuit. The electrical part of wind turbine system becomes increasingly important in over-all system design. During the last two decades, various wind turbine concepts had been rapidly developed to offer both higher power density and lower price of electricity production. The different wind turbine configurations are shown in Figure 1.3 [4]. In Figure 1.3, power electronics converter has been referred to the general terms “Power Converter” or “PE converter”.

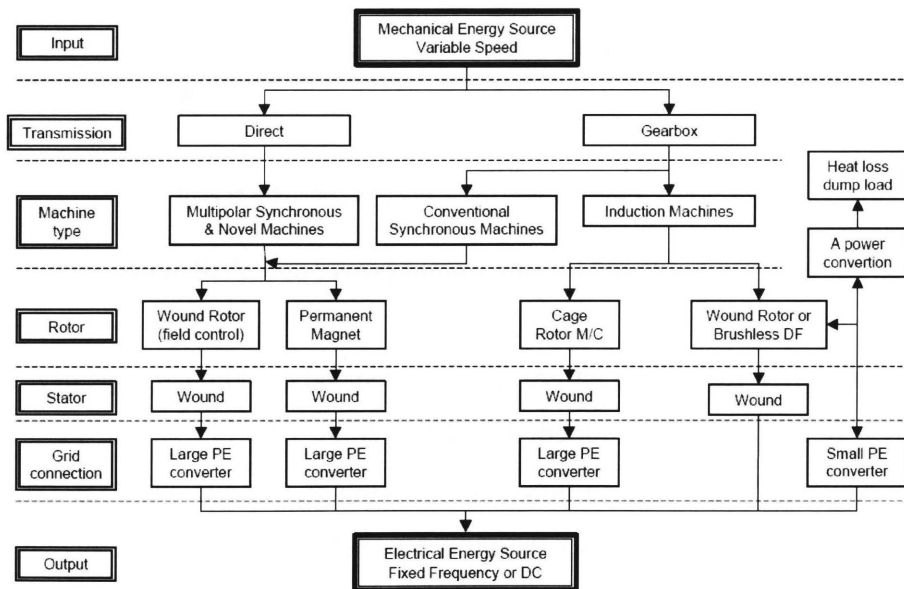


Figure 1.3 Conversion process from Mechanical Energy to Electrical Energy in wind turbine [4]

According to the types of drive trains, two configurations of WECS are classified into gear-driven or direct-drive generation systems. A gearbox in the drive train of WECS introduces an

extra mechanical power loss and requires regular maintenance due to mechanical wearing. Hence, the application of gearbox can lower the over-all system efficiency and increase the system cost. Compared with the gear-driven wind turbines, the advantages of direct-driven wind turbines have simplified drive trains, the higher over-all efficiency, the higher reliability and the lower cost [5]. Since 1991, gearless generator systems, so-called direct-driven wind generators, have been implemented to reduce failures of gearboxes and to lower maintenance problems [6].

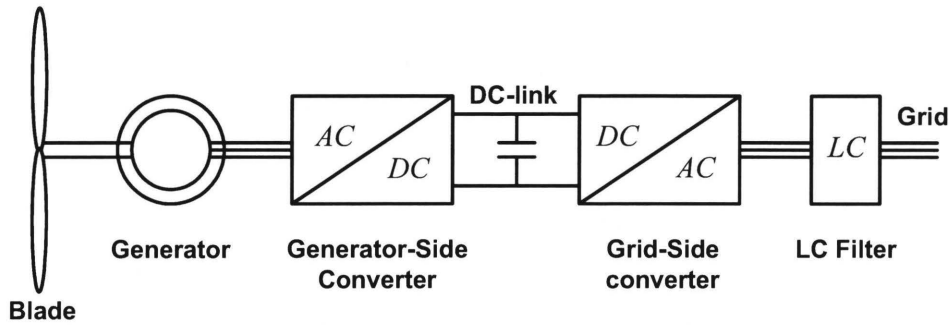


Figure 1.4 VSCF wind turbine system configuration

The combination of variable-speed operation and direct-drive train affects the configuration of generator and power converter, which will be detailed in the further part of this chapter. Figure 1.4 shows the typical configuration of a small-scale variable-speed constant-frequency (VSCF) wind turbine system where a voltage-source AC-DC-AC converter is used to interface the WTG to the electrical utility. The energy extracted from wind is transferred from the generator to the dc-link by the generator-side rectifier and then to the utility by the grid-side inverter. In this type of systems, the dc-link capacitor provides decoupling between the generator-side and the grid-side converters, and thereby offers separate control flexibilities for the two converters. This separation also allows the grid-side converter produce the constant-magnitude constant-frequency output voltage to the grid.

It can be observed in Figure 1.4 that the AC-DC-AC converter will handle the full rated power of wind turbine system (WTS). The drawback of this configuration is that the power loss in power converter is high. Consequently, the high rating of devices in power converter results in a relatively high capital cost of over-all WTS.

1.4 Wind Turbine Generator

For the configuration shown in Figure 1.4, there are three most common types of electrical generator employed in WTS, such as conventional electrical excited synchronous generator (SG), permanent magnet synchronous generator and squirrel-cage or wound rotor induction generator (IG). Each type of generator has its unique operation characteristics. Hence, the design of power electronic and control scheme varies with respect to the specific type of generator.

- **Induction Generators**

Induction generators are generally classified into two categories, squirrel cage and wound rotor. Due to its robustness, low cost and low maintenance, induction generator has been popularly proposed in previous research and widely used in the commercial wind turbines. Especially, the squirrel cage induction generator has been recognized with its simple mechanical construction and occasional maintenance.

In the earliest systems, squirrel cage induction generators driven by gearboxes are directly connected to the grid. This is known as Danish concept. The Danish concept has a very simple construction of the whole wind turbine with very low investment. Besides, it omits power converter or complex controller. The major disadvantage of the concept is the fixed-speed operation [7] and the usage of gearbox.

Another major disadvantage of induction generator is the need for excitation of the magnetic field via the supply terminals. The magnetization reactance demands reactive current from the grid. Without the supply of reactive power, the induction generator cannot produce any active power. Under the variable-speed operation, a bidirectional power converter, which is commonly a back-to-back converter, is required to interface the induction generator and the grid. This particular requirement increases the complexity of control and costs of over-all system.

- **Wound Rotor Synchronous Generators**

A wound rotor synchronous generator consists of a stator holding a set of three-phase windings, which supplies the external load, and a rotor that provides the source of magnetic field. The rotor is supplied from a direct current flowing in a wound field. The excitation provided by the dc current in rotor implies that the synchronous generator do not require reactive power from

the grid. The quality allows the utilization of a unidirectional power rectifier, such as a diode rectifier. Hence, the control complexity and cost of power electronics can be reduced.

The wound rotor synchronous generator offers some advantages. The efficiency of the generator is usually high, because that it employs the whole stator current for the electromagnetic torque production; the direct control of the power factor of generator is achievable [8]; in addition, the synchronous generator is capable to supply either inductive or capacitive reactive power to a load, and thereby offer the flexibility of terminal voltage control.

• **Permanent Magnetic Synchronous Generators**

Compared with a wound rotor synchronous generator, a permanent magnetic synchronous generator (PMSG) is excited by permanent magnet rather than dc current. A larger pole number can be achieved by PMSG due to the application of permanent magnet, which allows small pole pitch [9]. The high pole number of PMSG results in the higher electrical frequency and terminal voltage, when PMSG operates at low speed in a direct-drive wind turbine system. With the improving performance and decreasing price of permanent magnet, PMSG draws increasing attention in wind turbine design.

Most of advantages of PMSG are due to the permanent magnet excitation. Through eliminating losses caused by dc current excitation, PMSG has a higher efficiency and reduces thermal problems on the rotor side. In addition, by omitting the maintenance of slip ring or bush, PMSG becomes more suitable for the offshore application of wind turbines. Furthermore, due to the poor conductivity of the permanent magnet, stator currents in PMSG only induce a negligible current on the surface of rotor. Hence, a better speed-voltage regulation can be achieved by PMSG.

However, the design of PMSG has to take into account the demagnetization limit, which may be reached by too big stator current loading. The paper [9] shows that the danger of demagnetization decreases with increased pole numbers due to lower flux per pole. Corresponding to the trend of increasing PMSG application, National Renewable Energy Laboratory proposed a design of axial-flux, modular PMSG for wind turbine application [10]. The modular concept yields flexibility of PMSG configuration and is more suitable for the limited-quantity commercial application.

1.5 AC-DC-AC Converter

Numerous power converter topologies were presented in the literature for use in direct-drive variable-speed wind turbine systems. As seen in Figure 1.4, a typical structure of the power converter comprises a generator-side rectifier and a grid-side inverter connected through a dc-link, which is a capacitor as a voltage source. The generator-side converter rectifies the variable-frequency variable-magnitude generator terminal voltages into a constant dc voltage. Then, the grid-side converter inverts the dc voltage, and connects to the grid through LC filter and transformer. The dc-link capacitor decouples the generator-side converter and the grid-side converter and, hence, offers flexibility of control of converter system. Owing to that, many solutions for AC-DC-AC converter were proposed in the previous research.

The most popular and straightforward solution for AC-DC-AC converter in variable-speed wind turbines is the back-to-back two-level PWM voltage source converter (VSC) [5][11]. In order to improve the overall cost-efficiency, various alternative AC-DC-AC converters have been studied and proposed. An uncontrolled diode rectifier is frequently suggested as the generator-side converter. However, due to the lost control flexibility in the rectifier, the inverter has to provide control over the dc stage to regulate the generator speed and it needs to be oversized to ensure proper power flow to the grid to accommodate low wind speeds, which significantly increases the overall cost. For solving this problem, a dc-dc boost converter is added between the diode rectifier and the grid-side converter.

1.5.1 Grid-Side Converter

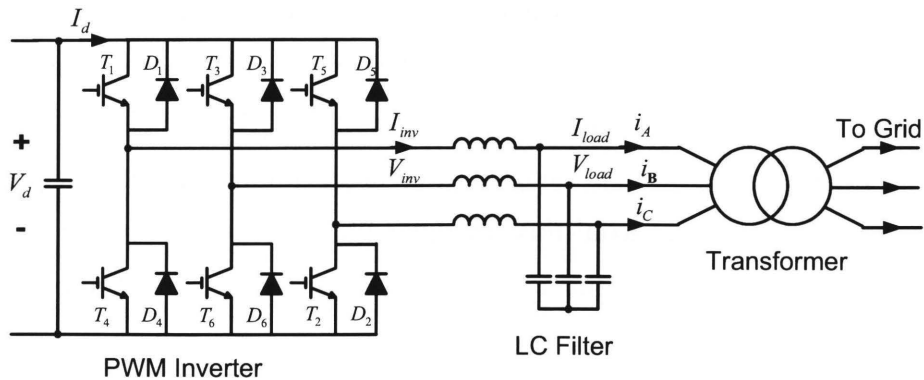


Figure 1.5 DC-AC converter (PWM VSI)

In practice, a widely used scheme is to use a PWM voltage source inverter (VSI) as the grid-side converter to maintain a constant dc-link voltage [12], whereas the generator-side converter is responsible for generator speed or torque control. The PWM VSI is a converter through which the power flow is reversible. However, for extracting wind power, the power flow should be from the dc-link to the grid, requiring an inverter mode of operation. Due to the fixed output voltage of VSI, for fulfilling this requirement, the dc-link voltage has to be higher than the peak value of VSI output voltage.

The different modulation algorithms result in different relationship between the VSI output voltage and the dc-link voltage. With the sinusoidal pulse width modulation (SPWM), the maximum fundamental line-to-line voltage (rms), $V_{SPWM,max}$, produced by the VSI can be calculated by

$$V_{SPWM,max} = 0.612V_d \quad (1.3)$$

In equation (1.3), V_d is the dc-link voltage. The modulation technique known as third harmonic injection PWM can increase $V_{SPWM,max}$ by 15.5%. By utilizing the space vector modulation scheme, the maximum fundamental line-to-line voltage (rms), $V_{SVM,max}$, produced by the VSI can be written as

$$V_{SVM,max} = 0.707V_d \quad (1.4)$$

Equations (1.3) and (1.4) indicate that the dc-link voltage has to be maintained at a certain minimum value with which the PWM VSI can operate in the inverter mode. In other words, the generator-side converter should have capability to boost the dc-link voltage when the generator operates at the low speed.

1.5.2 Generator-Side Converter

In order to achieve proper power flow control in the system, the dc-link voltage has to be higher than the peak of the grid phase voltage. Due to this reason, two types of controlled rectifiers with voltage boost capability have been proposed for use as the generator-side converter in previous research works. The first one is a PWM AC-DC converter (rectifier) as shown in Fig.1.6 on which field oriented control (FOC) method can be implemented to control

the WTG [5], [12], [13]. The drawback of this solution is that the converter is too expensive when rated capacity of WTG is small. In addition, it generates high switching losses and increases complexity of control. An alternative PWM rectifier was proposed to reduce the cost and the control complexity by reducing six switches to four switches [14], but the DC-link voltage is doubled and the system stability is reduced.

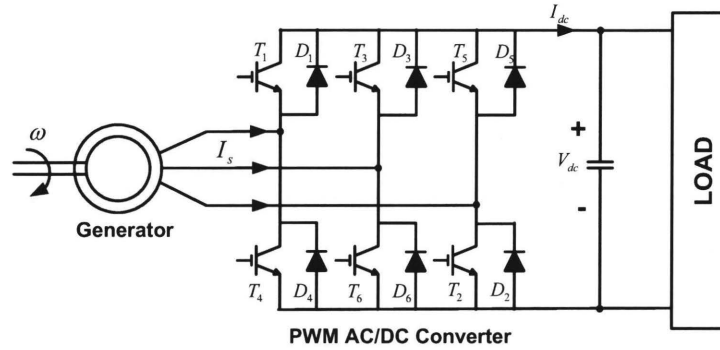


Figure 1.6 PWM boost converter system

The second type of controlled rectifier is the combination of a three-phase diode front end in cascade with a controlled dc-dc converter. As shown in Figure 1.7, the dc-dc converter can be a boost converter [15], or a buck-boost converter [16]. Hence, this combination is called single switching rectifier. This method requires one additional dc-dc converter to boost the DC-link voltage to the requested value at low wind speed. Though the switch is reduced to one, compared with the diode rectifier, the cost of the overall system is increased and the switching loss of the dc-dc converter is introduced. The overall efficiency of the converter is reduced as well.

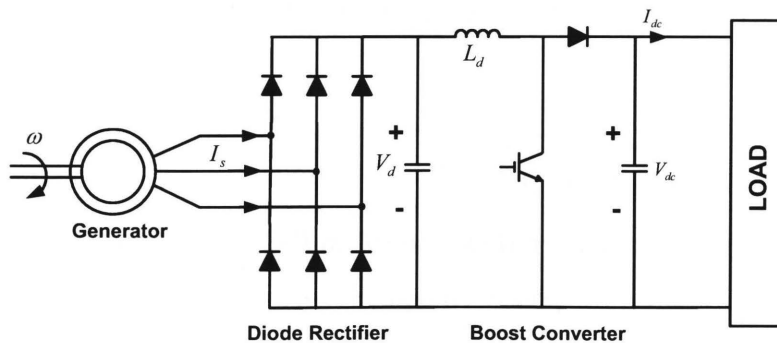


Figure 1.7 Single switching rectifier

1.6 Motivation and Objectives in This Thesis

Based on the formal researches, the tendency of AC-DC rectifier design is to reduce the capital cost and the power losses. However, the proposed AC-DC rectifiers possess high switching losses, complexity of control and costly switches. The new design of AC-DC rectifier is needed to improve the overall cost-efficiency of wind energy conversion systems, especially for small wind energy conversion systems.

This thesis adopts a new type of AC-DC rectifier for direct-driven variable-speed wind turbine systems, which was shown in Figure 1.8. The converter consists of two diode rectifiers and three thyristors. When the thyristors are on, two diode rectifiers are connected in series and when the thyristors are off, two diode rectifiers are connected in parallel. Thus, by controlling the firing angles of the thyristors, the dc-link current can be controlled, and hence the generator speed can be regulated for variable-speed operation.

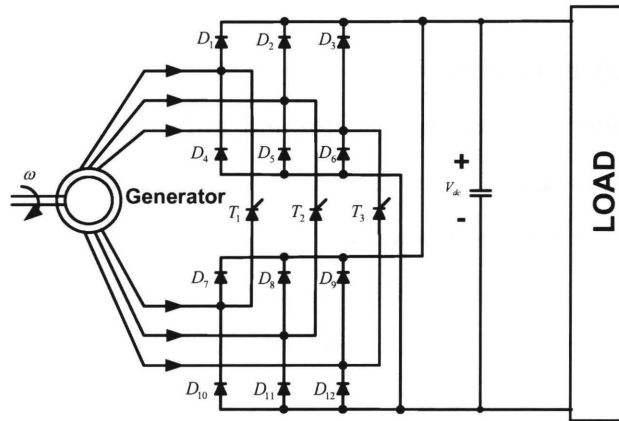


Figure 1.8 Novel AC-DC rectifier for WECS

By employing diodes and naturally commutated thyristors, the proposed rectifier topology features low cost, low power loss and high reliability. The converter requires two sets of 3-phase windings with 180° phase angle displacement. This demand can be fulfilled by reconfiguration of generator stator windings without extra cost. In addition, it seems that more devices are involved in the converter, but the rating of devices is only half of the converter rating. Compared with the previously proposed generator-side converter, the cost of the converter is significantly reduced. Furthermore, though the conducting losses cannot be avoided, the switching loss, in this AC-DC

rectifier, is absent due to that only current commutations occur during the operation. Besides, by adopting only diodes and thyristors, the over-heat and over-current capability of this rectifier is improved. Hence, the reliability is enhanced.

Thus, the major objectives of this thesis are

- 1) To design and analyze the novel rectifier: A model of the AC-DC rectifier will be built to analyze the operation of the converter.
- 2) To obtain a two-set three-phase windings synchronous generator model: a conventional three-phase wound rotor synchronous machine will be converted into a two-set three-phase windings synchronous generator. A model of the generator will be developed in d-q synchronous reference frame.
- 3) To design a control system: a control system will be developed for the variable-speed operation of generator.

1.7 Thesis Outline

The thesis is organized in six chapters.

Chapter 1 (this chapter) presents the background information about the small-, or middle-scale direct-driven variable-speed wind turbine system. In addition, this chapter states the motivation and the objectives of this research.

Chapter 2 analyzes of the novel AC-DC rectifier, which provides a high cost-efficient solution for a variable-speed WECS. In this chapter, the detailed information of the novel AC-DC rectifier is presented. The content of this chapter includes the analysis of current paths, the arrangement of firing angle and the function of output dc voltage. At the end of this chapter, a simulation model is developed to verify the analysis of the converter.

Chapter 3 details the mathematical model of a two-set three-phase windings synchronous generator. In the chapter, a conventional three-phase wound rotor synchronous motor is converted into a two-set three-phase synchronous generator. First, the stator winding rearrangement is introduced. Following that, a machine model is established base on this reconfiguration to study the transient and steady state performance of the generator. The chapter is ended with the experimental verification of the machine model.

Chapter 4 provides the detailed procedures of designing a feedback control system for the rectifier. The control system is design with a cascade structure: an inner current loop followed by

an outer speed loop. The control system has capability to achieve the speed control for the generator and to regulate the dc-link current for protecting the system components. The simulation results are shown in the end of the chapter.

In Chapter 5, first, a Sallen-Key low-pass filter is designed for thyristor gating. Next, a prototype of WECS is constructed for experimental purpose. The experimental platform is introduced, and the experimental results are compared with the simulation.

Finally, Chapter 6 draws conclusions of this thesis work. The major contributions and further research are introduced.

Chapter 2 AC-DC Rectifier

2.1. Introduction

In small-scale wind turbine generator systems, an AC-DC-AC converter is the most commonly interface circuit to connect wind turbine generator to grid. This configuration allows wind turbine generator operate at variable speeds and extract maximum power from wind. In order to provide high quality electricity to grid, the DC-link voltage in AC-DC-AC converter has to be maintained higher than the peak value of DC-AC converter output voltage. Due to this reason, AC-DC rectifier is required to have capability to boost the DC-link voltage, when wind turbine generator operates at low speed. Compared with other AC-DC rectifiers proposed in previous research, the novel AC-DC rectifier studied here provides a higher cost-efficient solution for wind energy conversion systems.

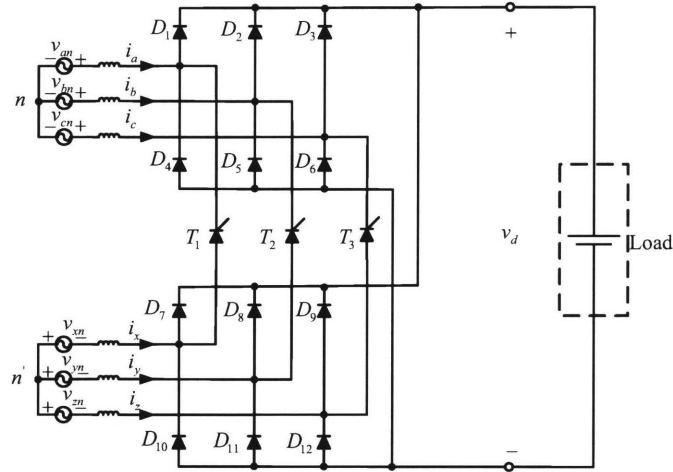


Figure 2.1 Topology of the novel AC-DC rectifier

The topology of the novel AC-DC rectifier is shown in Figure 2.1. The converter contains two three-phase, full-bridge diode rectifiers and three individual thyristors T_1 , T_2 and T_3 . The converter is fed by two sets of three-phase voltage sources, which have 180° electrical angle displacement to each other. With the assumption that the voltage sources are sin waves, as shown in Figure 2.1, the instantaneous voltages v_{an} , v_{bn} , v_{cn} , v_{xn} , v_{yn} and v_{zn} can be expressed as

$$\begin{cases} v_{an} = \sqrt{2}V \sin \omega t \\ v_{bn} = \sqrt{2}V \sin(\omega t - \frac{2}{3}\pi) \\ v_{cn} = \sqrt{2}V \sin(\omega t + \frac{2}{3}\pi) \end{cases} \quad (2.1)$$

$$\begin{cases} v_{xn} = \sqrt{2}V \sin(\omega t + \pi) \\ v_{yn} = \sqrt{2}V \sin(\omega t + \frac{1}{3}\pi) \\ v_{zn} = \sqrt{2}V \sin(\omega t - \frac{1}{3}\pi) \end{cases} \quad (2.2)$$

2.2. Converter Operation

2.2.1 Current Path Analysis

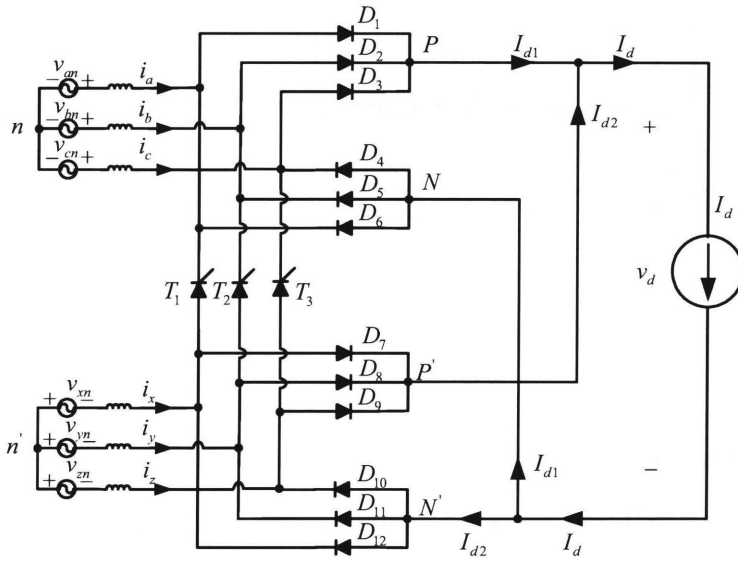


Figure 2.2 AC-DC rectifier with a constant dc current load

The current paths in the AC-DC rectifier is analyzed with the assumption of the idealized circuit, in which the source inductance L_s is equal to zero and the dc side is replaced by a constant dc current I_d . The converter in Figure 2.1 can be redrawn in Figure 2.2. The subscript 1

is used to denote the variables associated with the upper diode rectifier, which is fed by three-phase voltages v_{an} , v_{bn} and v_{cn} ; and the subscript 2 denotes the variables associated with the lower diode rectifier supplied by three-phase voltages v_{xn} , v_{yn} and v_{zn} . In order to illustrate the AC-DC rectifier operation clearly, we can divide one cycle of voltage source waveforms into six sections, which are shown in Figure 2.3 (a) and (b). The six sections coincide with the six pulses in the instantaneous dc voltage waveform, which is the output voltage waveform of the diode rectifier.

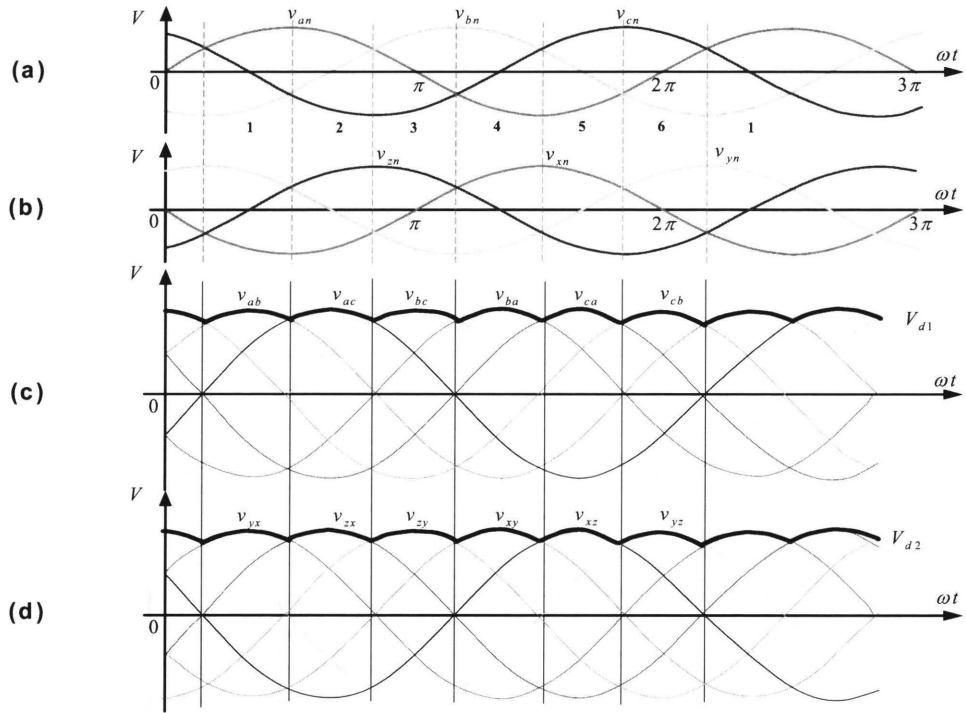


Figure 2.3 Waveforms of voltages: (a) v_{an} , v_{bn} and v_{cn} ; (b) v_{xn} , v_{yn} and v_{zn} , (c) V_{d1} and (d) V_{d2}

When the thyristors are off, the current I_{d1} flows through one diode from the top group of diodes, D_1 , D_2 and D_3 , and one from the bottom group of diodes, D_4 , D_5 and D_6 . In the top group, the diode with its anode at the highest voltage potential will conduct due to the cathodes of the diodes are at a common voltage potential, and the other two are reversed biased. In the bottom group, the diode with its cathode at the lowest potential will conduct and the other two become reversed biased. Taking section 1 in Figure 2.3 (a) for example, the voltage V_{pn} at the point P with respect to the ac voltage neutral point n is equal to the phase voltage V_{an} . Similarly,

The voltage V_{Nn} at the negative dc terminal N is equal to the phase voltage V_{bn} . Therefore, the output voltage V_{d1} is equal to the voltage V_{ab} . Since I_{d1} flows continuously, at any time, V_{pn} and V_{Nn} can be obtained in terms of the source voltages v_{an} , v_{bn} and v_{cn} . The instantaneous waveform of V_{d1} consists of six segments per cycle of source frequency, and each segment belongs to one of six line-to-line voltages, as shown in Figure 2.3 (c). The similar rectification can be found in the lower diode rectifier. The instantaneous waveform of V_{d2} , which is the output dc voltage of the lower diode rectifier, is shown in Figure 2.3 (d).

Hence, two diode rectifiers maintain their own rectification separately and their output dc voltages are in parallel on the AC-DC rectifier output terminals. Meanwhile, the load current I_d is the sum of the current I_{d1} and the current I_{d2} . The current paths in the AC-DC rectifier are detailed in part (a) of Figures 2.4 - 2.9.

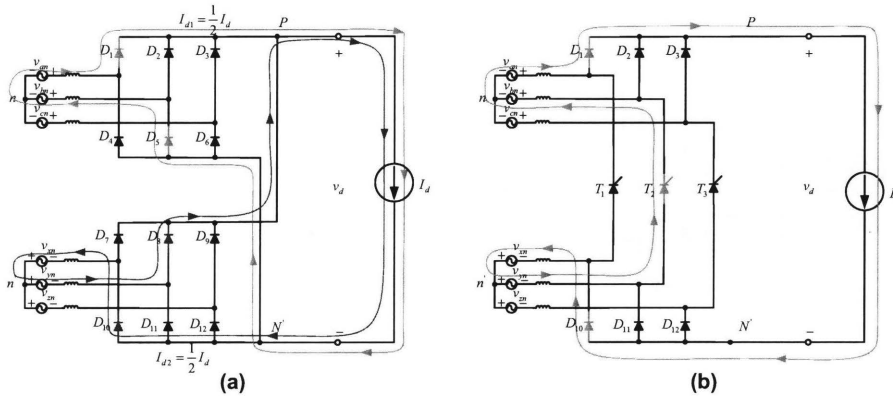


Figure 2.4 Current paths in section 1: (a) Thyristor T_2 is off; (b) Thyristor T_2 is on.

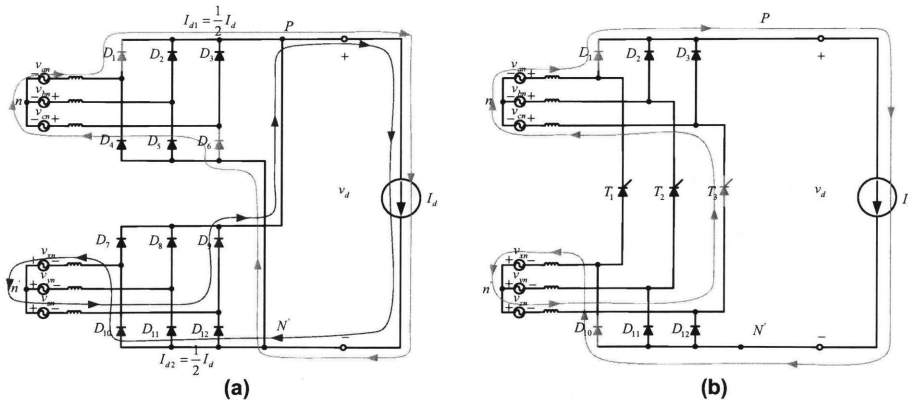


Figure 2.5 Current paths in Section 2: (a) Thyristor T_3 is off; (b) Thyristor T_3 is on.

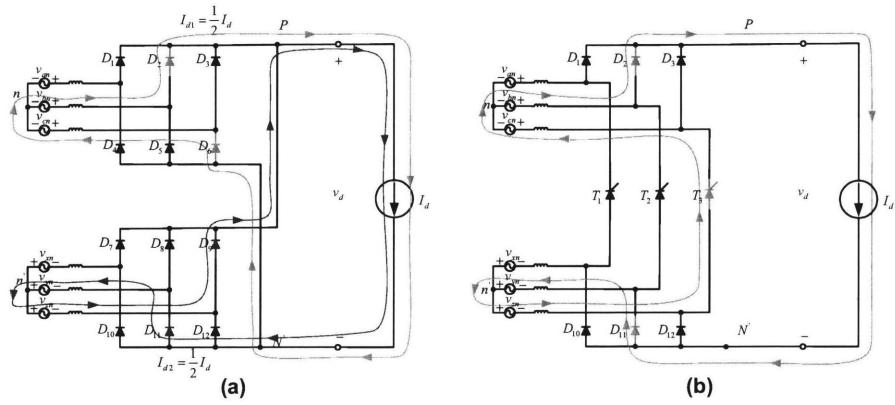


Figure 2.6 Current paths in Section 3: (a) Thyristor T_3 is off; (b) Thyristor T_3 is on.

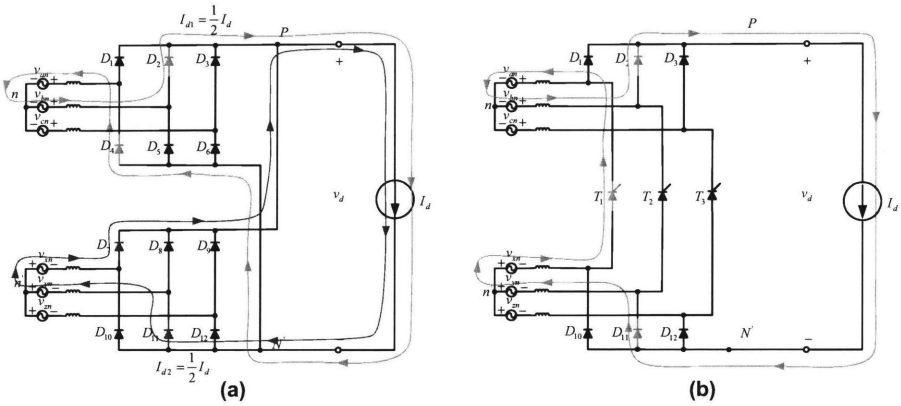


Figure 2.7 Current paths in Section 4: (a) Thyristor T_1 is off; (b) Thyristor T_1 is on.

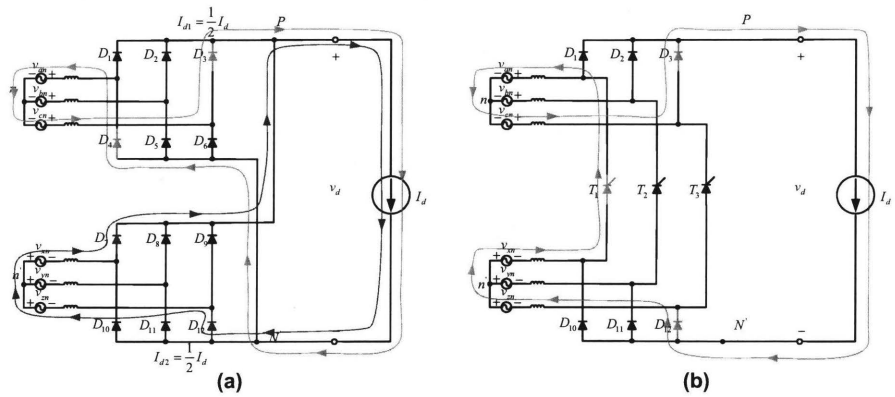


Figure 2.8 Current paths in Section 5: (a) Thyristor T_1 is off; (b) Thyristor T_1 is on.

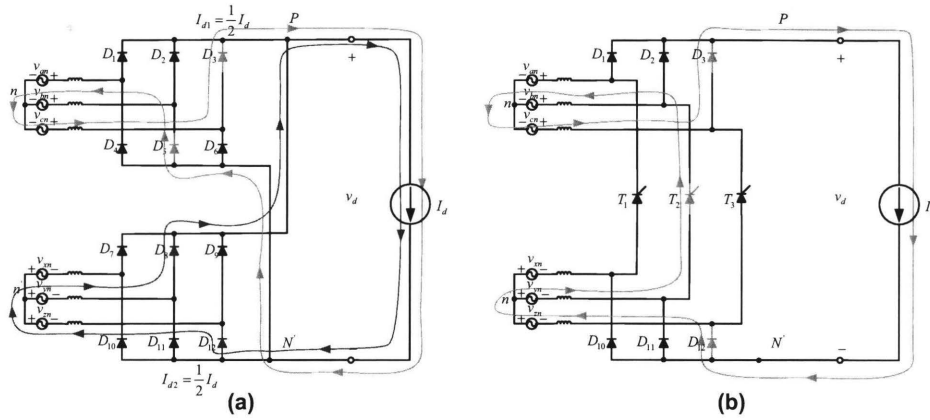


Figure 2.9 Current paths in Section 6: (a) Thyristor T_2 is off; (b) Thyristor T_2 is on.

The device of thyristor can be triggered into on state by applying a pulse of positive gate current when the thyristor is forward biased. Once the device begins to conduct, it is latched on and the gate current can be removed. The thyristor cannot be turned off by the gate, and the thyristor conducts as a diode. Only when the anode current tries to go negative, the thyristor turns off and the current goes to zero. In most of applications of thyristor, the thyristor is turned off by the influence of the circuit. This allows the gate to regain control in order to turn the device on at some controllable time after it is again forward biased.

In the case of section 1, as shown in Figure 2.4 (a), the anode of the thyristor T_2 has the same voltage potential with the point P and the cathode of the thyristor T_2 has the common potential with the node N. Then, the thyristor T_2 is forward biased by the converter output voltage V_d . Meanwhile, the thyristors T_1 and T_3 are reverse biased. It is worthy to notice that the diodes D_5 and D_8 will be reverse biased simultaneously when the thyristor T_2 is triggered. As a result, the current path in the AC-DC rectifier is changed, as shown in Figure 2.4 (b). Thus, two diode rectifiers in the converter are in cascade. The converter output voltage V_d is equal to the sum of the voltage V_{d1} and the voltage V_{d2} ; and the current I_{d1} and the current I_{d2} are identical with the current I_d . The similar operations can be discovered in other sections, and the current paths are shown in part (b) of Figure 2.5-2.9.

2.2.2 Thyristor Conducting Angle

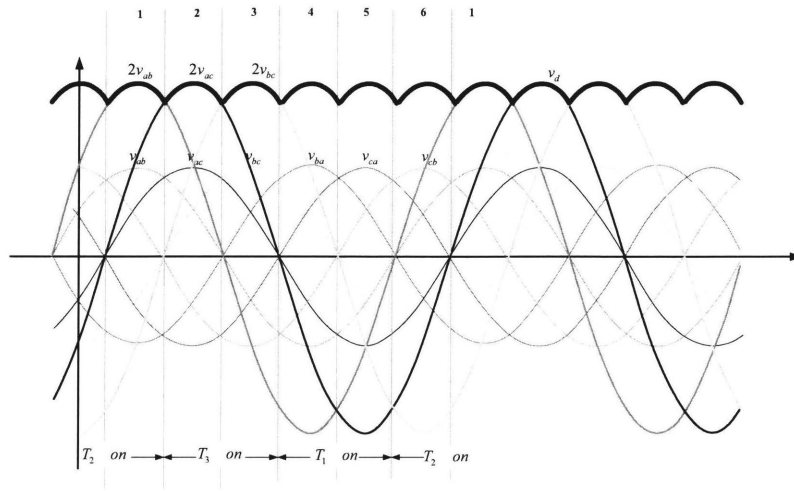


Figure 2.10 Waveforms of output voltage when $\alpha = 0$

From the previous current paths analysis, the firing angle of thyristor can be arranged based on the following facts. Thyristor T_1 can be triggered in section 4 and section 5; thyristor T_2 can be triggered in section 1 and section 6; thyristor T_3 can be triggered in section 2 and section 3; when one thyristor is triggered, the other two are turned off by the influence of the circuit. At the instants of the beginning of section 4, section 6 and section 2, the line-to-line source voltages V_{ca} , V_{ab} and V_{bc} are rising cross zero. Therefore, it is convenient to define the phase angles of voltages V_{ca} , V_{ab} and V_{bc} zero at the instants and the firing angles of the thyristors T_1 , T_2 and T_3 with respect to the instants respectively. At the beginning of section 2, as shown in Figure 2.5, the potential on the cathode of T_3 is lower than the potential on the cathode of T_2 and the anode potential of T_3 is higher than the anode potential of T_2 . Hence, the thyristor T_3 can be triggered and the thyristor T_2 becomes reversed biased. The similar situations can be explained at the beginning of section 4 and section 6. Figure 2.10 shows the conducting durations of thyristors in one cycle of the source voltage frequency when the firing angle α is equal to zero. It can be observed that the AC-DC rectifier behaves as two diode rectifiers in cascade. Actually, this

commutation of thyristor occurs when the firing angle is less than 30° , and results on that each thyristor conducts 120° electrical angle.

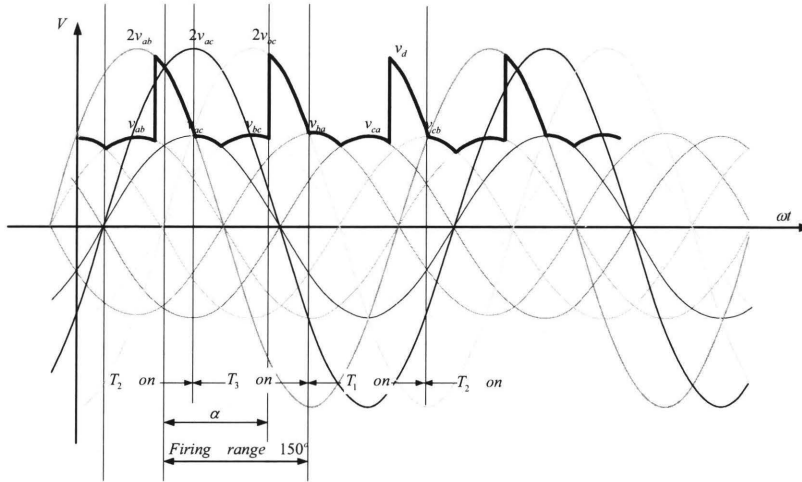


Figure 2.11 Thyristors firing angle

For clear illustration, the thyristor T_3 conducting state is taken as the example to analyze the firing angle of thyristor. When $30^\circ < \alpha < 150^\circ$, once thyristor T_3 is triggered, it will keep conducting until v_{bc} phase angle reaches 150° . At the instant, the converter output voltage, which is the sum of the voltage v_{bc} and the voltage v_{zy} , is equal to the source line-to-line voltage v_{ba} in magnitude. After that, the diodes D_4 and D_7 are forward biased and begin conducting. Consequently, the thyristor T_3 is reverse biased and turned off by the phase change of voltage source. Due to that, two diode rectifiers in the AC-DC rectifier operate in parallel, and the thyristor T_1 is ready to be triggered at the preferable instant. Figure 2.11 illustrates the relationship between the output voltage waveform and the firing angle between 30° and 150° . Thus, the range of firing angle is from 0° to 150° and the conducting angle of thyristor is still 120° .

2.3. Analysis of AC-DC rectifier

2.3.1 Output Voltage without Effect of Source Impedance

With the assumption that the source inductance L_s is equal to zero and the output dc current is purely constant, there has no current commutation occurring in the converter operation. Consequently, the expression of the average output voltage V_{do} is only varied with respect to the change of the firing angle, where the subscription o is added due to the assumption $L_s = 0$. For precisely predicting the operation of the converter, all of the available firing conditions are carefully studied in this section.

The converter output voltage waveform repeats every thyristor conducting duration, $2\pi/3$ radian per cycle, if the firing angle remains the same in the steady state. To obtain the average value of the converter output dc voltage, it is sufficient to consider only one of the conducting duration of thyristor and obtain its average over a $2\pi/3$ radian interval. The time origin $t = 0$ for integrating can be chosen arbitrarily, while the value of volt-second area during any $2\pi/3$ radian interval must be identical in one output voltage waveform. In the following, V_{LL} is the line-to-line source voltage.

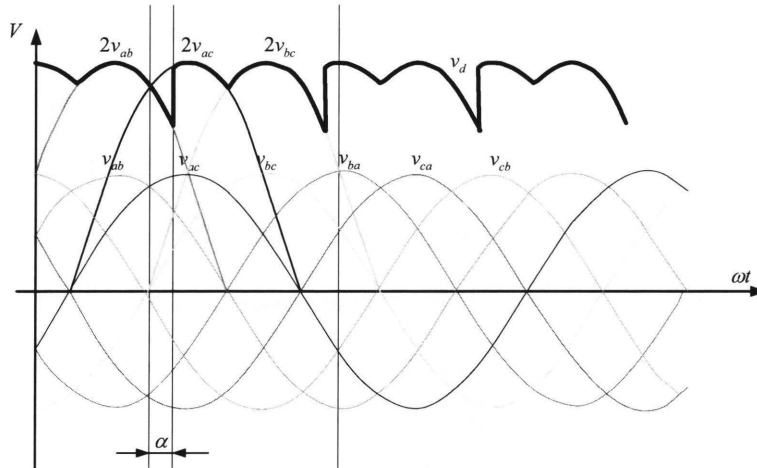


Figure 2.12 Waveform of output voltage, when $0^\circ < \alpha < 30^\circ$

When $0^\circ < \alpha < 30^\circ$, the output average dc voltage is

$$\begin{aligned}
V_{do} &= \frac{3}{\pi} \int_{-\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\pi}{6}} 2\sqrt{2}V_{LL} \sin \omega t d(\omega t) - \frac{3}{2\pi} \int_0^{\alpha} 2\sqrt{2}V_{LL} \sin \omega t d(\omega t) \\
&= 2.70V_{LL} - 1.35V_{LL}(1 - \cos \alpha) \\
&= 1.35V_{LL} \cos \alpha + 1.35V_{LL}
\end{aligned} \tag{2.3}$$

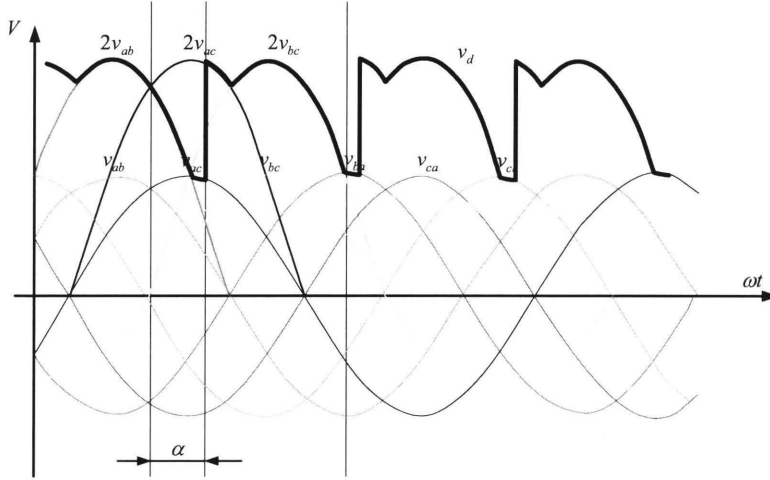


Figure 2.13 Waveform of output voltage, when $30^\circ < \alpha < 60^\circ$

When $30^\circ < \alpha < 60^\circ$, the output average dc voltage is

$$\begin{aligned}
V_{do} &= \frac{3}{2\pi} \left[\int_{-\frac{1}{2}\pi}^{\alpha + \frac{1}{3}\pi} \sqrt{2}V_{LL} \sin \omega t d(\omega t) + \int_{\alpha + \frac{1}{3}\pi}^{\frac{2}{3}\pi} 2\sqrt{2}V_{LL} \sin \omega t d(\omega t) + \int_{\frac{1}{3}\pi}^{\frac{5}{6}\pi} 2\sqrt{2}V_{LL} \sin \omega t d(\omega t) \right] \\
&= 0.675V_{LL} \cos\left(\alpha + \frac{1}{3}\pi\right) + 2.52V_{LL}
\end{aligned} \tag{2.4}$$

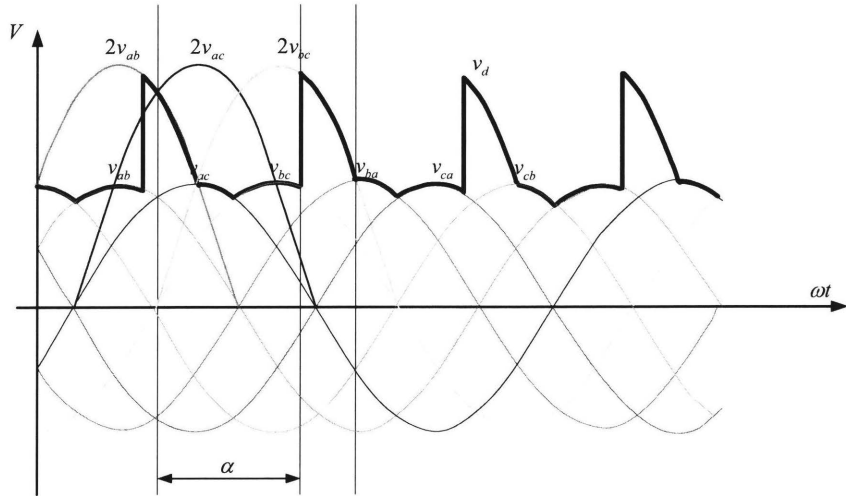


Figure 2.13 Waveform of output voltage, when $60^\circ < \alpha < 120^\circ$

When $60^\circ < \alpha < 120^\circ$, the output average dc voltage is

$$\begin{aligned}
 V_{do} &= \frac{3}{2\pi} \left[\int_{\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{2}{3}\pi} \sqrt{2}V_{LL} \sin \omega t d(\omega t) + \int_{\frac{\pi}{3}}^{\alpha} \sqrt{2}V_{LL} \sin \omega t d(\omega t) + \int_{\alpha}^{\frac{5}{6}\pi} 2\sqrt{2}V_{LL} \sin \omega t d(\omega t) \right] \\
 &= 0.675V_{LL} \cos \alpha + 1.84V_{LL}
 \end{aligned} \quad (2.5)$$

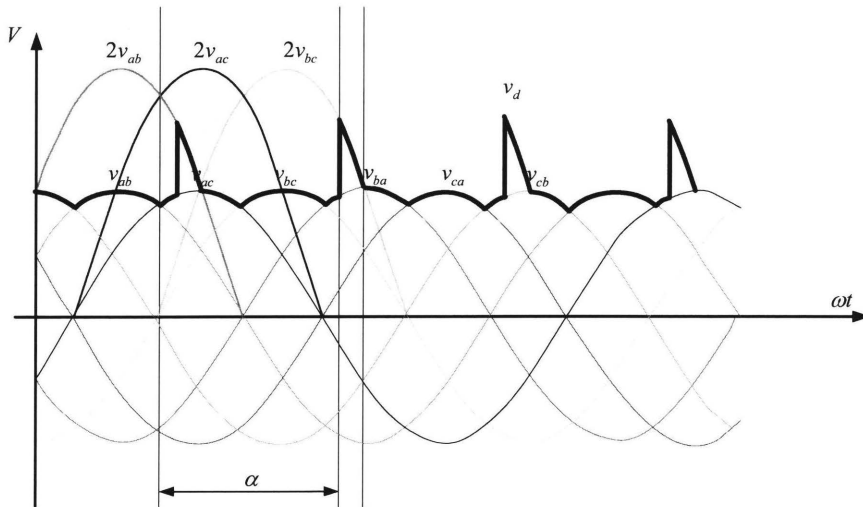


Figure 2.14 Waveform of output voltage, when $120^\circ < \alpha < 150^\circ$

When $120^\circ < \alpha < 150^\circ$, the output average dc voltage is

$$\begin{aligned}
 V_{do} &= \frac{3}{2\pi} \left[\int_{\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{2\pi}{3}} \sqrt{2}V_{LL} \sin \omega t d(\omega t) + \int_{\frac{\pi}{3}}^{\frac{2\pi}{3}} \sqrt{2}V_{LL} \sin \omega t d(\omega t) + \int_{\frac{\pi}{3}}^{\alpha} \sqrt{2}V_{LL} \sin \omega t d(\omega t) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \int_{\alpha}^{\frac{5\pi}{6}} 2\sqrt{2}V_{LL} \sin \omega t d(\omega t) \right] \\
 &= 1.35V_{LL} \cos \alpha - 0.675 \cos\left(\alpha - \frac{1}{3}\pi\right) + 2.52V_{LL}
 \end{aligned} \tag{2.6}$$

Figure 2.15 plots the relationship between the percentage of output voltage V_{do} with respect to the line-to-line voltage V_{LL} , which is expressed as $\frac{V_{do}}{V_{LL}} \times 100\%$, and the firing angle α . If the output dc voltage is a function of the firing angle, the curve in Figure 2.15 shows that the function is continuous over the range of firing angle.

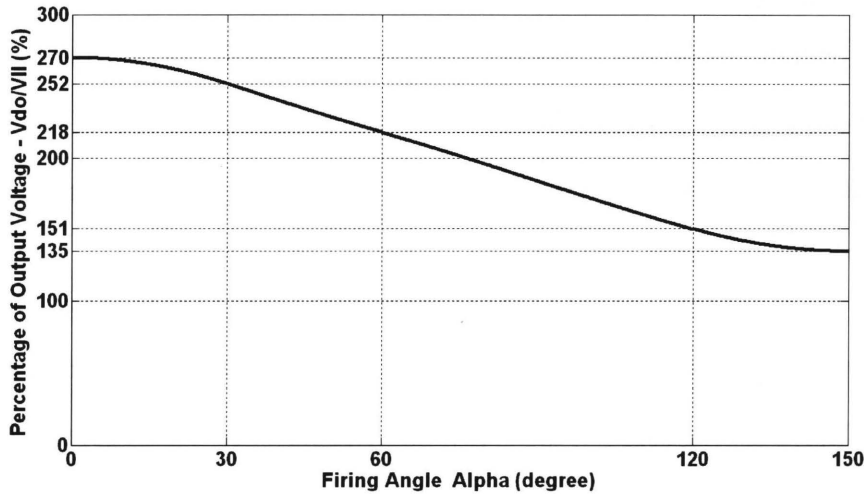


Figure 2.15 Plot of output voltage V_{do} and firing angle α

2.3.2 Effect of Source Inductance

In practice, the current commutations will not be instantaneous in the converter due to the source inductance L_s . The average dc voltage V_d will drop in presence of these finite

commutation intervals, u . There are various types of current commutation associated with the different firing angles during the converter operation, and they are different from each other.

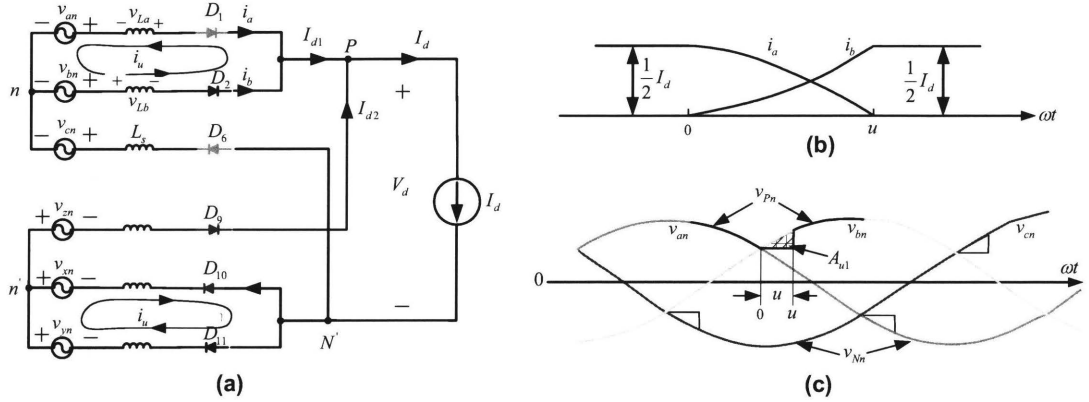


Figure 2.16 Current commutation when two rectifiers are in parallel

Figure 2.16 shows current commutation from section 2 to section 3, when two diode rectifiers in the converter operate in parallel. Consider the commutation of current from diode D_1 to diode D_2 in the upper diode rectifier, beginning at $\omega t = 0$ (the time origin is chosen arbitrarily). Prior to this, the current I_{d1} is flowing through diode D_1 . The sub-circuit pertinent to this current commutation is shown in Figure 2.16 (a).

In the upper diode rectifier, the current commutation only involves phase a and b , and the commutation voltage responsible is $v_{com} = v_{an} - v_{bn}$. The commutation current i_u flows due to a short-circuit path provided by the conducting diode D_1 . As shown in Figure 2.16 (b), the phase current i_b builds up from zero to I_{d1} , which is half of the dc current I_d , at the end of the commutation interval $\omega t = u$. The phase current can be expressed as

$$i_b = i_u \quad (2.7)$$

$$i_a = \frac{1}{2} I_d - i_u \quad (2.8)$$

In the circuit of Figure 2.15 (a),

$$v_{La} = L_s \frac{di_a}{dt} = -L_s \frac{di_u}{dt} \quad (2.9)$$

$$v_{Lb} = L_s \frac{di_b}{dt} = L_s \frac{di_u}{dt} \quad (2.10)$$

Applying Kirchhoff Voltage Law in the commutation current loop in the upper diode rectifier and using the above equations yield

$$v_{com} = v_{bn} - v_{an} = v_{Lb} - v_{La} = 2L_s \frac{di_u}{dt} \quad (2.11)$$

Therefore from the above equation,

$$L_s \frac{di_u}{dt} = \frac{v_{bn} - v_{an}}{2} \quad (2.12)$$

During the commutation interval $0 < \omega t < u$ in Figure 2.15 (c), where ω is the source voltage electrical angular speed. By using equation (2.12), we have

$$v_{Pn} = v_{bn} - L_s \frac{di_u}{dt} = \frac{v_{bn} + v_{an}}{2} \quad (2.13)$$

The integral of the voltage drop is the area A_{u1} . By using equations (2.12) and (2.13), A_{u1} can be expressed as

$$\begin{aligned} A_{u1} &= \int_0^u (v_{bn} - v_{Pn}) d(\omega t) \\ &= \omega \int_0^u \frac{v_{bn} - v_{an}}{2} dt \\ &= \omega \int_0^{\frac{I_d}{2}} L_s \frac{di_u}{dt} dt \\ &= \omega L_s \int_0^{\frac{I_d}{2}} di_u \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \omega L_s I_d \end{aligned} \quad (2.14)$$

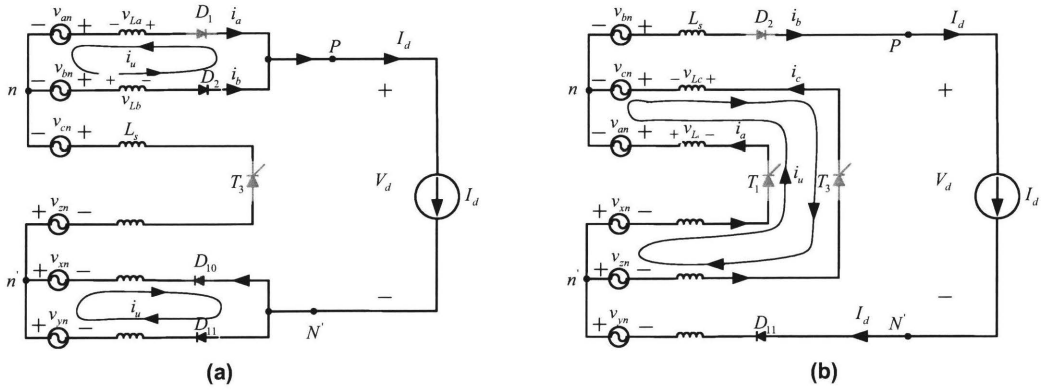


Figure 2.17 Current commutation when two rectifiers are in series: (a) Phases are shorted through diodes; (b) Phases are shorted through thyristors.

Figure 2.17 (a) shows current commutation from section 2 to section 3, when two diode rectifiers operate in series and the commutation current flows through diodes. Figure 2.16 (b) shows current commutation from section 3 to section 4, when two diode rectifiers operate in series and the commutation current flows through thyristors. In the above two conditions, the converter output voltage is generated by two times of line-to-line source voltage. It can be equivalent with the situation that two times of phase voltages are shorted through two times of source inductance L_s in each phase. Besides, the phase current builds up from zero to the current I_d . The reduction in volt-radian area caused by the natural current commutations can be expressed as

$$A_{u2} = \int_0^{I_d} 2L_s \frac{di_u}{dt} d(\omega t) = 2\omega L_s \int_0^{I_d} di_u = 2\omega L_s I_d \quad (2.15)$$

When the firing angle is between 30° and 150° , turning on thyristors will not cause phases shortage through source inductance L_s , but the phase current will increase from $\frac{1}{2}I_d$ to I_d . The reduction in volt-radian area is written as

$$A_{u3} = \int_0^{I_d} 4v_{Ls} d(\omega t) = 4\omega L_s \int_{\frac{I_d}{2}}^{I_d} di_u = 2\omega L_s I_d \quad (2.16)$$

At the instant where the phase angle of voltage v_{bc} is 150° , as shown in Figure 2.14, two diode rectifiers in the converter naturally convert from operating in series to operating in parallel. The current commutation involves phases a and c in the upper diode rectifier, and the current in

phase a tends to increase from zero to $\frac{1}{2}I_d$. This will result on a reduction in volt-radian area.

Meanwhile, the current in phase b decreases I_d to $\frac{1}{2}I_d$, which will cause an increase in volt-radian area. If we assume the current changing rate of increasing is the same as the one of decreasing, there will be no volt-radian area change in this interval.

Therefore, the drop of the converter dc output voltage varies with different firing angles. The value of voltage drop is determined by various combinations of three types of reductions in volt-radian area, which are discussed above. The detailed calculation is demonstrated in the following section.

2.3.3 Equivalent Circuit for AC-DC rectifier

According to the previous analysis, it is capable to establish a model for the AC-DC rectifier. As shown in Figure 2.18, V_{do} is the output dc voltage of the converter with source inductance $L_s = 0$; V_d is the output dc voltage of the converter with finite source inductance; R_u is a “lossless” resistor to represent the voltage drop due to current commutation; k is the coefficient associated with relative firing angle; ΔV_d is the voltage drop across the resistor R_u . Hence, the AC-DC rectifier can be modeled as a dc voltage source with an equivalent internal resistance.

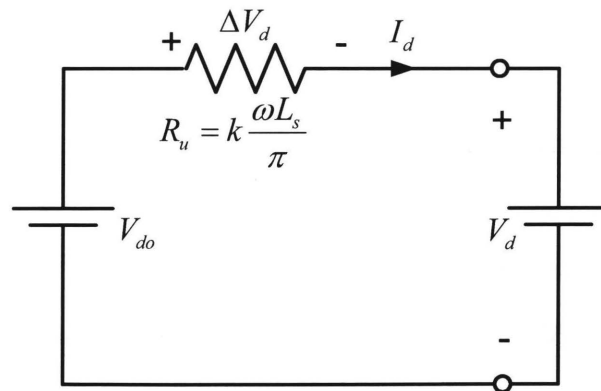


Figure 2.18 Equivalent Circuit for AC-DC rectifier

When $0^\circ < \alpha < 30^\circ$,

$$\Delta V_d = \frac{3}{2\pi}(A_{u2} + A_{u2}) = \frac{3}{2\pi}(4\omega L_s I_d) = \frac{6\omega L_s}{\pi} I_d \quad (2.17)$$

$$V_d = 1.35V_{LL} \cos \alpha + 1.35V_{LL} - \frac{6\omega L_s}{\pi} I_d \quad (2.18)$$

When $30^\circ < \alpha < 60^\circ$,

$$\Delta V_d = \frac{3}{2\pi}(A_{u3} + A_{u2}) = \frac{3}{2\pi}(4\omega L_s I_d) = \frac{6\omega L_s}{\pi} I_d \quad (2.19)$$

$$V_d = 0.675V_{LL} \cos(\alpha + \frac{1}{3}\pi) + 2.52V_{LL} - \frac{6\omega L_s}{\pi} I_d \quad (2.20)$$

When $60^\circ < \alpha < 120^\circ$,

$$\Delta V_d = \frac{3}{2\pi}(A_{u3} + A_{u1}) = \frac{3}{2\pi}(\frac{5}{2}\omega L_s I_d) = \frac{15\omega L_s}{4\pi} I_d \quad (2.21)$$

$$V_d = 0.675V_{LL} \cos \alpha + 1.94V_{LL} - \frac{15\omega L_s}{4\pi} I_d \quad (2.22)$$

When $120^\circ < \alpha < 150^\circ$,

$$\Delta V_d = \frac{3}{2\pi}(A_{u2} + 2A_{u1}) = \frac{3}{2\pi}(3\omega L_s I_d) = \frac{9\omega L_s}{2\pi} I_d \quad (2.23)$$

$$V_d = 1.35V_{LL} \cos \alpha - 0.675 \cos(\alpha - \frac{1}{3}\pi) + 2.52V_{LL} - \frac{9\omega L_s}{2\pi} I_d \quad (2.24)$$

2.4. Computer Simulation

A Matlab simulation is established to verify the AC-DC rectifier model, as shown in Figure 2.19. In the simulation, the AC-DC rectifier is connected to a load resistor R_{load} in series with a capacitor C_d . Hence, the average dc current I_d and the dc voltage V_d can be obtained with various firing angles. The parameters, which are used in the simulation model, are shown Table 2.1, and the calculated results and the simulated results are compared in Table 2.2.

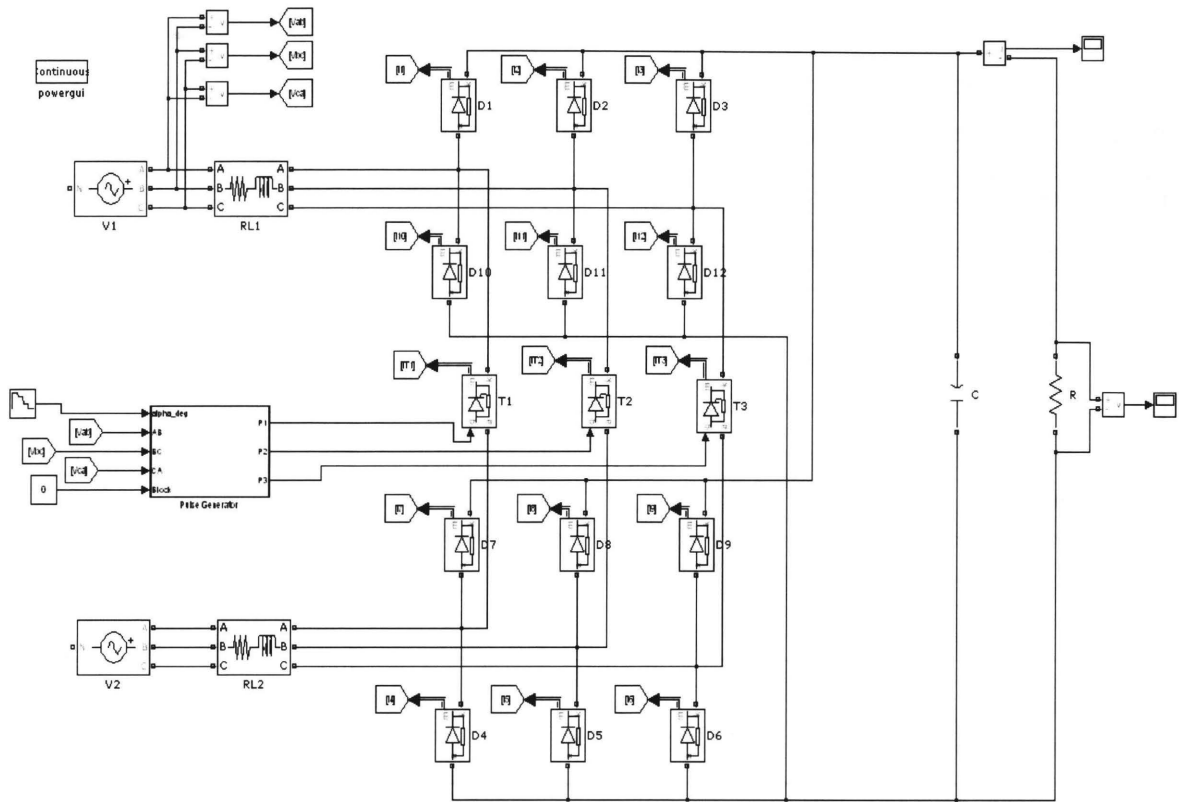


Figure 2.19 Matlab simulation model

Table 2.1 Simulation parameters

Voltage source inductance: $L_s = 43 \times 10^{-3} H$	Line-to-line source voltage: $V_{LL} = 300V$
Converter load resistor: $R_{load} = 40\Omega$	Voltage source frequency: $f = 60Hz$
Converter load capacitor: $C_d = 2200\mu F$	

Table 2.2 Calculated and simulated V_d and I_d with different firing angles

α Firing angle	0°	10°	45°	100°	150°
$V_d(V)$ Calculated	456.6	449.7	396.7	369.6	339.2
$V_d(V)$ Simulated	456.3	455.0	410	347	352
$I_d(A)$ Calculated	11.4	11.2	9.9	9.24	8.5
$I_d(A)$ Simulated	11.4	11.4	10.3	8.7	8.8

The calculation of the voltage drop is based on some assumptions such as the constant dc output current, and the constant current changing rate. In the simulation, we can discover that neither of them is true. When the current ripple is bigger, the calculated result deviates further from the simulated result.

2.5. Conclusions

The main circuit of the converter consists of two diode rectifiers and three thyristors. The conducting of the thyristors forces the diode rectifiers convert from operating in parallel to operating in cascade. In this chapter, the detail analysis of converter operation is illustrated with current paths, followed by theoretical analysis of ideal dc voltage and source impedance. Simulation model is constructed to verify the results. By properly control the firing angle of the thyristors, the converter output voltage can be changed accordingly. Thus, the energy from supply to dc link can be controlled by controlling the firing angle.

In the analysis, constant dc current (in current continuous mode) is assumed. When the converter is connected to a constant dc voltage source, the assumption may not be valid when the

dc current discontinuous. The formulas of predicting dc voltage/current are limited. In wind applications, the synchronous machines usually have large source impedance, which results in continuous current mode at most cases.

In wind turbine systems, the rectifier is connected to wind generator. The non-sinusoidal current causes torque ripple in the generator. The ripple, which reduces the life of shaft connecting turbine and generator, is often a concern for large-scale turbines. To reduce the ripple, filters are needed at generator side.

Chapter 3 Synchronous Generator

3.1. Introduction

The novel AC-DC rectifier proposed in Chapter 2 requires two sets of 3-phase power supply with 180° electrical angle displacement to each other. In order to fulfill this requirement in wind turbine systems, there are two solutions. One is employing two generators in one wind turbine system, in which two generators are mechanically interlocked; the alternative solution is supplying the converter with a two-set of 3-phase windings, which is similar to a 6-phase generator. In this thesis, the later solution is adopted to improve overall cost-efficiency of a small-scale wind turbine system.

In the beginning of this chapter, winding arrangement of a 4-pole machine is introduced. Next, the model of a two-set 3-phase windings synchronous machine is established on synchronous reference frame. At the end, the model is verified by experimental results and conclusions are drawn.

3.2. Stator Winding Arrangement of Synchronous Generator

The stator windings of the synchronous machine are embedded in slots around the inside circumference of the machine stationary member. Figure 3.1 (a) shows the cross-section view of a 4-pole, 3-phase, wye-connected synchronous machine. In the 4-pole machine, each phase winding contains two coils; and each coil, which can be as , bs , cs , xs , ys or zs , is displaced 60° with respect to each other along the stator circumference. The field or fd windings are wound on the rotating member of the machine. It is assumed that each coil spans 90° of the stator circumference for a 4-pole machine. One side of the coil is represented by a \otimes indicating that the assumed positive direction of current is down the length of the stator (into the paper). The \odot indicates that the current direction is out of the paper. The as , bs , cs , xs , ys , zs , $fd1$ and $fd3$ axes denote the positive direction of the flux produced by current flowing in each of the coils. The induced voltages v_{as} and v_{xs} in coil as and xs , respectively, are identical if each coil

has the same inductance and resistance. The similar conditions can be discovered on coils bs and ys , and coils cs and zs .

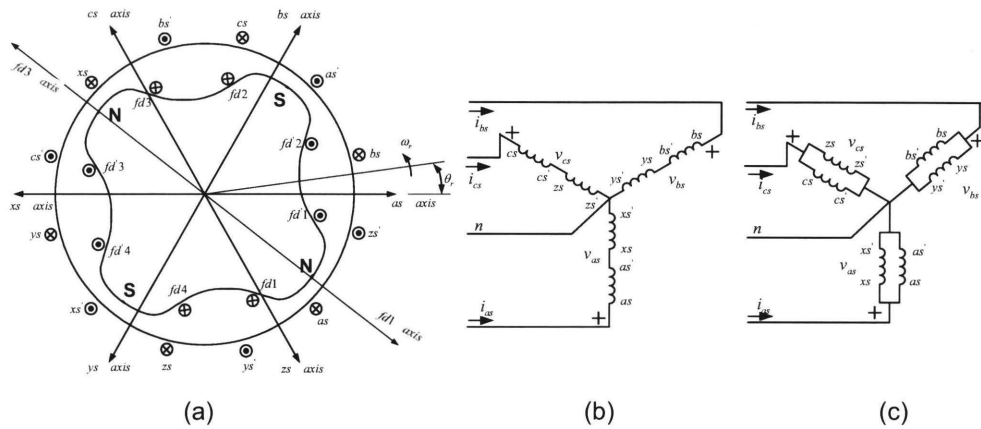


Figure 3.1 (a) 4-pole, 3-phase, wye-connected synchronous machine; (b) Winding arrangement for coils connected in series; (c) Winding arrangement for coils connected in parallel

The two coils in each stator winding can be connected in series or in parallel according to the different requirements of the machine operation. For the series coil connection, in the case of the phase a winding, positive current flows in the coil side as and back at the coil side as' , then reenters the stator through the coil side xs and comes out at the coil side xs' . The b and c windings are arranged similarly, and the coil sides xs' , ys' and zs' are connected together to form a wye-connected stator, as shown in Figure 3.1 (b). Higher terminal voltages can be obtained through this connection. For the parallel coil connection, in the case of the phase a winding, the coil sides as and xs are connected together, and the coil sides as' and xs' are connected together too. The b and c windings are arranged similarly, and the coil sides as' , bs' , cs' , xs' , ys' and zs' are connected together to form a wye-connected stator, as illustrated in Figure 3.1 (c). This connection results on lower terminal voltages but higher stator currents.

The parallel coil connection gives the hint how to obtain two sets of 3-phase, wye-connected stators through the reconfiguration of the stator coils. The coils as , bs and cs can be configured to be one set of 3-phase stator windings by connecting the coil sides as' , bs' and cs' together,

and the coils xs , ys and zs are set to form another set of 3-phase stator windings by connecting the coil sides xs , ys and zs together. These two sets of winding are completely separated in connection by two neutral points, as shown in Figure 3.2. It is easily observed that the 3-phase voltages v_{xyzs} have 180° electrical angle displacement with respect to the 3-phase voltages v_{abcs} . Thus, through this winding configuration, we can have two sets of 3-phase voltage sources to fulfill the requirement of the AC-DC rectifier operation.

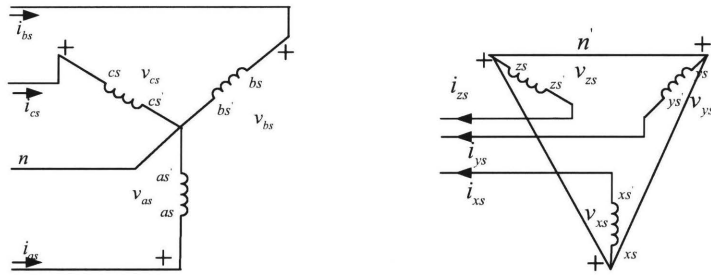


Figure 3.2 3-phase voltages v_{abcs} are displaced 180° with respect to voltages v_{xyzs}

3.3. Two-set 3-Phase Windings Synchronous Machine Model

In this section, a model of two-set windings, 4-pole, 3-phase, wye-connected synchronous machine will be established. The analysis given in this section is valid for a linear magnetic system; saturation and salient effect are not considered. Furthermore, the flux linkages of stator windings are assumed ideally coupled.

3.3.1. Voltage Equations in Machine Variables

The synchronous machine is shown in Figure 3.3. The stator windings are identical and sinusoidally distributed with leakage inductance L_{ls} , magnetizing inductance L_s , and resistance r_s . The rotor is equipped with a field winding and no damping windings. The field winding (fd winding) has leakage inductance L_{lfd} , magnetizing inductance L_{fd} , and resistance r_{fd} .

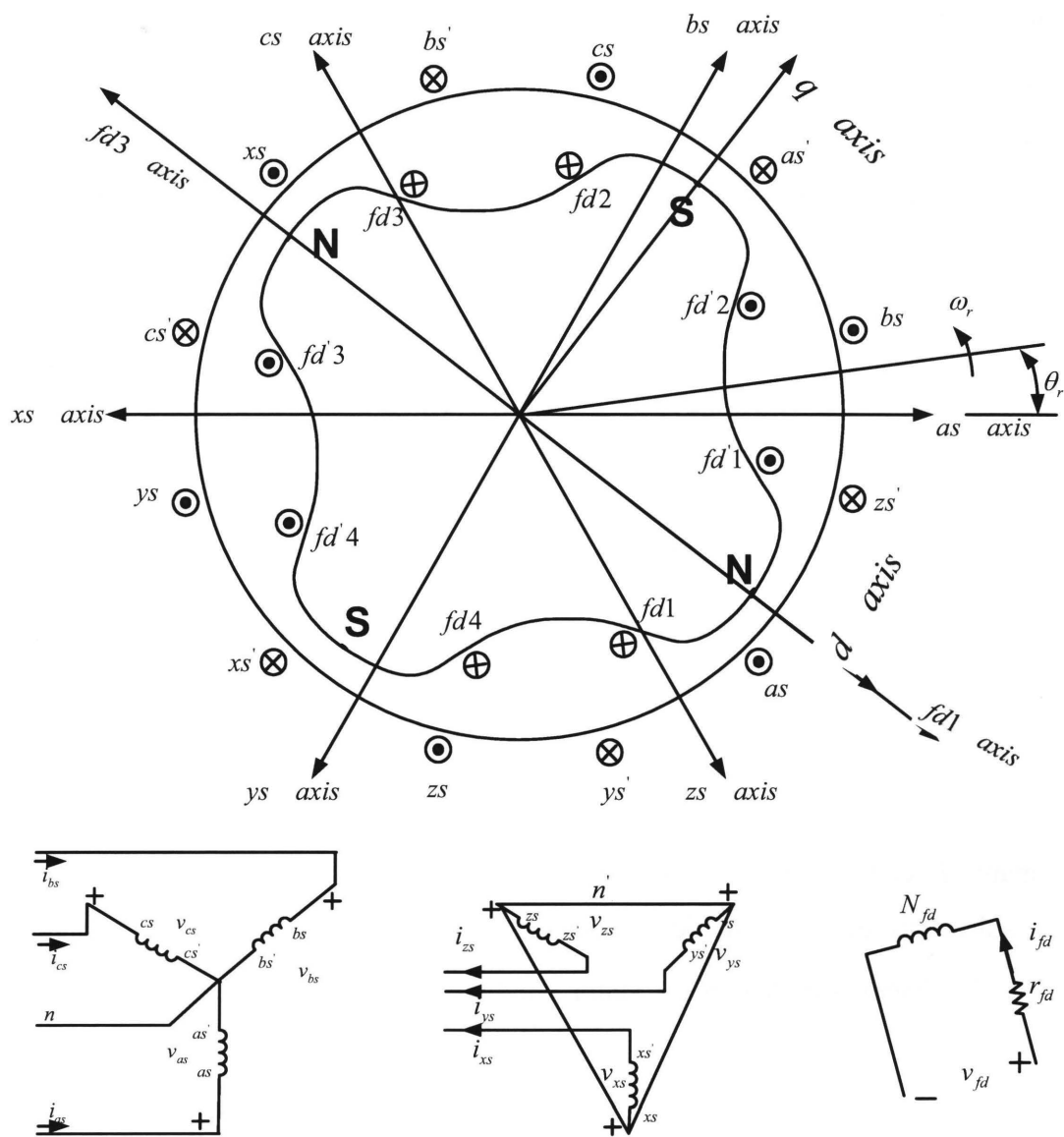


Figure 3.3 4-pole, two-sets, 3 phases, wye-connected, synchronous machine without damping windings

The magnetic axes of stator windings in Figure 3.3 are denoted by the as , bs , cs , xs , ys and zs axes. The direction of positive stator currents in windings as , bs and cs is assumed out of the terminals of the machine for describing the generator operation. Consequently, xs , ys and zs currents flow into the terminals of the machine. In addition, the positive direction of magnetic axes is opposite to the positive direction of flux linkages created by the positive stator currents. The quadrature axis (q axis) and direct axis (d axis) are also introduced in Figure 3.3. The

xs winding is 360° electrical angle lagging with respect to the as winding. The 180° electrical angle displacement between terminal voltages v_{as} and v_{xs} is achieved by the means of terminal connection, as shown in Figure 3.3.

With the assumptions above, the voltage equations in machine variables can be expressed in matrix form corresponding to the winding connection as [17]

$$V_{abcs} = -R_s I_{abcs} + p \Lambda_{abcs} \quad (3.1)$$

$$V_{xyzs} = R_s I_{xyzs} - p \Lambda_{xyzs} \quad (3.2)$$

$$v_{fd} = r_{fd} i_{fd} + p \lambda_{fd} \quad (3.3)$$

Where

$$F_{abcs}^T = [f_{as} \quad f_{bs} \quad f_{cs}] \quad (3.4)$$

$$R_s = \text{diag}[r_s \quad r_s \quad r_s] \quad (3.5)$$

The matrix F can be the matrix of voltages V , currents I and flux linkages Λ . The $abcs$ and $xyzs$ subscripts denote variables associated with the abc and xyz stator windings. The matrix R_s is the diagonal matrix of the stator winding resistance r_s . The symbol p denotes the operator $\frac{d}{dt}$.

Also, the s and r subscripts denote variables associated with the stator and rotor windings respectively. L_{sfd} is the mutual inductance between the stator winding and the field winding. Hence, flux linkage equations become

$$\begin{bmatrix} \Lambda_{abcs} \\ \Lambda_{xyzs} \\ \lambda_{fd} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} L_{s11} & -L_{s12} & L_{sr} \\ -L_{s21} & L_{s22} & -L_{sr} \\ (L_{sr})^T & -(L_{sr})^T & L_{lfd} + L_{fd} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -I_{abcs} \\ -I_{xyzs} \\ i_{fd} \end{bmatrix} \quad (3.6)$$

Where,

$$L_{s11} = \begin{bmatrix} L_{ls} + L_s & -\frac{1}{2}L_s & -\frac{1}{2}L_s \\ -\frac{1}{2}L_s & L_{ls} + L_s & -\frac{1}{2}L_s \\ -\frac{1}{2}L_s & -\frac{1}{2}L_s & L_{ls} + L_s \end{bmatrix} \quad (3.7)$$

$$L_{s12} = \begin{bmatrix} L_s & -\frac{1}{2}L_s & -\frac{1}{2}L_s \\ -\frac{1}{2}L_s & L_s & -\frac{1}{2}L_s \\ -\frac{1}{2}L_s & -\frac{1}{2}L_s & L_s \end{bmatrix} \quad (3.8)$$

$$L_{sr} = \begin{bmatrix} L_{sfd} \sin 2\theta_r \\ L_{sfd} \sin(2\theta_r - \frac{2\pi}{3}) \\ L_{sfd} \sin(2\theta_r + \frac{2\pi}{3}) \end{bmatrix} \quad (3.9)$$

$$L_{s21} = L_{s12} \quad (3.10)$$

$$L_{s22} = L_{s11} \quad (3.11)$$

3.3.2. Synchronous Reference Frame

Choosing reference frame is usually used in analysis of ac machines to eliminate time-varying inductances. In order to study the transient and dynamic stability of the synchronous machine, all the variables of the synchronous machine are represented in a rotating reference frame. The rotating speed can be either the rotor speed or the synchronous speed. For the study of a 4-pole synchronous machine, it is convenient to use the synchronous reference frame.

In the two-set winding machine, there are six independent variables due to the existing six phases. These six phases are divided into two groups of three phases by two neutral points. Therefore, the transformation of variables in the machine can be achieved in three-dimension

vector space, and flux linkages among the stator windings and the field winding must be taken into account. Hence, the change of variables, which transforms variables of machine stationary circuit elements to the synchronous reference frame, may be expressed as

$$F_{qd1} = K_{s1} F_{abcs} \quad (3.12)$$

$$F_{qd2} = K_{s2} F_{xyzs} \quad (3.13)$$

Where

$$F_{abcs}^T = \begin{bmatrix} f_{as} & f_{bs} & f_{cs} \end{bmatrix} \quad (3.14)$$

$$F_{xyzs}^T = \begin{bmatrix} f_{xs} & f_{ys} & f_{zs} \end{bmatrix} \quad (3.15)$$

$$F_{qd}^T = \begin{bmatrix} f_q & f_d \end{bmatrix} \quad (3.16)$$

$$\begin{aligned} K_{s1} &= \frac{2}{3} \begin{bmatrix} \cos 2\theta_r & \cos 2(\theta_r - \frac{\pi}{3}) & \cos 2(\theta_r - \frac{2\pi}{3}) \\ \sin 2\theta_r & \sin 2(\theta_r - \frac{\pi}{3}) & \sin 2(\theta_r - \frac{2\pi}{3}) \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \frac{2}{3} \begin{bmatrix} \cos 2\theta_r & \cos(2\theta_r - \frac{2\pi}{3}) & \cos(2\theta_r + \frac{2\pi}{3}) \\ \sin 2\theta_r & \sin(2\theta_r - \frac{2\pi}{3}) & \sin(2\theta_r + \frac{2\pi}{3}) \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned} \quad (3.17)$$

$$\begin{aligned} K_{s2} &= \frac{2}{3} \begin{bmatrix} \cos 2(\theta_r - \pi) & \cos 2(\theta_r - \frac{4\pi}{3}) & \cos 2(\theta_r + \frac{\pi}{3}) \\ \sin 2(\theta_r - \pi) & \sin 2(\theta_r - \frac{4\pi}{3}) & \sin 2(\theta_r + \frac{\pi}{3}) \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \frac{2}{3} \begin{bmatrix} \cos 2\theta_r & \cos(2\theta_r - \frac{2\pi}{3}) & \cos(2\theta_r + \frac{2\pi}{3}) \\ \sin 2\theta_r & \sin(2\theta_r - \frac{2\pi}{3}) & \sin(2\theta_r + \frac{2\pi}{3}) \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned} \quad (3.18)$$

$$\omega = \frac{d(2\theta_r)}{dt} = 2\omega_r \quad (3.19)$$

The subscripts 1 and 2 are used to denote variables associated with the stator windings abc and xyz , respectively. ω is the synchronous speed, ω_r is the rotor angular speed, and θ_r is the angle between the q -axis and as -axis. From equations (3.17) and (3.18), the

transformation equations K_{s1} and K_{s2} are identical. For reducing the complexity, the symbol K_s will be used to replace them in the future writing.

It can be shown that for the inverse transformation we have

$$(K_s)^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos 2\theta_r & \sin 2\theta_r \\ \cos(2\theta_r - \frac{2\pi}{3}) & \sin(2\theta_r - \frac{2\pi}{3}) \\ \cos(2\theta_r + \frac{2\pi}{3}) & \sin(2\theta_r + \frac{2\pi}{3}) \end{bmatrix} \quad (3.20)$$

3.3.3. Stator Voltage Equations in Synchronous Reference Frame Variables

3.3.3.1. a-, b- and c-Phase Stator Voltage Equations

Voltage equations in synchronous-reference frame can be expressed as

$$\begin{aligned} V_{qd1} &= K_s V_{abcs} \\ &= -R_s K_s I_{abcs} + K_s p \Lambda_{abcs} \\ &= -R_s K_s I_{abcs} + K_s p [(K_s)^{-1} \Lambda_{qd1}] \\ &= -R_s K_s I_{abcs} + K_s p [(K_s)^{-1}] \Lambda_{qd1} + K_s [(K_s)^{-1}] p \Lambda_{qd1} \\ &= -R_s I_{qd1} + \omega \Lambda_{dq1} + p \Lambda_{qd1} \end{aligned} \quad (3.21)$$

Where,

$$R_s = \begin{bmatrix} r_s & 0 \\ 0 & r_s \end{bmatrix} \quad (3.22)$$

$$K_s p (K_s)^{-1} = \omega \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (3.23)$$

$$\Lambda_{dq1} = [\lambda_{d1} \quad -\lambda_{q1}]^T \quad (3.24)$$

Flux linkage equations in synchronous reference frame can be expressed as

$$\begin{aligned}
\Lambda_{qd1} &= K_s \Lambda_{abcs} \\
&= K_s \begin{bmatrix} L_{s11} & -L_{s12} & L_{sr} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -I_{abcs} \\ -I_{xyzs} \\ i_{fd} \end{bmatrix} \\
&= K_s \begin{bmatrix} L_{s11} & -L_{s12} & L_{sr} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -(K_s)^{-1} I_{qd1} \\ -(K_s)^{-1} I_{qd2} \\ i_{fd} \end{bmatrix} \\
&= \begin{bmatrix} K_s L_{s11} (K_s)^{-1} & -K_s L_{s12} (K_s)^{-1} & K_s L_{sr} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -I_{qd1} \\ -I_{qd2} \\ i_{fd} \end{bmatrix}
\end{aligned} \tag{3.25}$$

After careful calculation, we can have

$$K_s L_{s11} (K_s)^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} L_{ls} + \frac{3}{2} L_s & 0 \\ 0 & L_{ls} + \frac{3}{2} L_s \end{bmatrix} \tag{3.26}$$

$$K_s L_{s12} (K_s)^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{3}{2} L_s & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{3}{2} L_s \end{bmatrix} \tag{3.27}$$

$$K_s L_{sr} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \frac{3}{2} L_{sfd} \end{bmatrix} \tag{3.28}$$

Equations, (3.21) and (3.25), can be written in the expanded form as

$$v_{q1} = -r_s i_{q1} + \omega \lambda_{d1} + p \lambda_{q1} \tag{3.29}$$

$$v_{d1} = -r_s i_{d1} - \omega \lambda_{q1} + p \lambda_{d1} \tag{3.30}$$

$$\lambda_{q1} = -L_{ls} i_{q1} + \frac{3}{2} L_s (-i_{q1} + i_{q2}) \tag{3.31}$$

$$\lambda_{d1} = -L_{ls} i_{d1} + \frac{3}{2} L_s (-i_{d1} + i_{d2}) + \frac{3}{2} L_{sfd} i_{fd} \tag{3.32}$$

3.3.3.2. x-, y- and z-Phase Stator Voltage Equations

Voltage equations in synchronous-reference frame can be expressed as

$$\begin{aligned}
 V_{qd2} &= K_s V_{xyzs} \\
 &= R_s K_s I_{xyzs} - K_{r2} p \Lambda_{xyzs} \\
 &= R_s K_s I_{xyzs} - K_s p [(K_s)^{-1} \Lambda_{qd2}] \\
 &= R_s K_s I_{xyzs} - K_s p [(K_s)^{-1}] \Lambda_{qd2} - K_s [(K_s)^{-1}] p \Lambda_{qd1} \\
 &= R_s I_{qd2} - \omega \Lambda_{dq2} - p \Lambda_{qd2}
 \end{aligned} \tag{3.33}$$

Where,

$$\Lambda_{dq2} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_{d2} & -\lambda_{q2} \end{bmatrix}^T \tag{3.34}$$

Flux linkage equations in synchronous-reference frame can be expressed as

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Lambda_{qd2} &= K_s \Lambda_{xyzs} \\
 &= K_s \begin{bmatrix} -L_{s21} & L_{s22} & L_{sr} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -I_{abcs} \\ -I_{xyzs} \\ i_{fd} \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= K_s \begin{bmatrix} -L_{s21} & L_{s22} & L_{sr} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -(K_s)^{-1} I_{qd1} \\ -(K_s)^{-1} I_{qd2} \\ i_{fd} \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} -K_s L_{s21} (K_s)^{-1} & K_s L_{s22} (K_s)^{-1} & K L_{sr} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -I_{qd1} \\ -I_{qd2} \\ i_{fd} \end{bmatrix}
 \end{aligned} \tag{3.35}$$

Where

$$K_s L_{s22} (K_s)^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} L_{ls} + \frac{3}{2} L_s & 0 \\ 0 & L_{ls} + \frac{3}{2} L_s \end{bmatrix} \tag{3.36}$$

$$K_s L_{s21} (K_s)^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{3}{2} L_s & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{3}{2} L_s \end{bmatrix} \tag{3.37}$$

Equations, (3.33) and (3.35), can be written in the expanded form as

$$v_{q2} = r_s i_{q2} - \omega \lambda_{d2} - p \lambda_{q2} \quad (3.38)$$

$$v_{d2} = r_s i_{d2} + \omega \lambda_{q2} - p \lambda_{d2} \quad (3.39)$$

$$\lambda_{q2} = -L_{ls} i_{q2} + \frac{3}{2} L_s (i_{q1} - i_{q2}) \quad (3.40)$$

$$\lambda_{d2} = -L_{ls} i_{d2} + \frac{3}{2} L_s (i_{d1} - i_{d2}) + \frac{3}{2} L_{sfd} i_{fd} \quad (3.41)$$

3.3.3.3. Rotor Voltage Equations

$$v_{fd} = r_{fd} i_{fd} + p \lambda_{fd} \quad (3.42)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_{fd} &= \begin{bmatrix} (L_{sr})^T & -(L_{sr})^T & L_{lfd} + L_{fd} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -I_{abcs} \\ -I_{xyzs} \\ i_{fd} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= -(L_{sr})^T [(K_s)^{-1} I_{qd1}] + (L_{sr})^T [(K_s)^{-1} I_{qd2}] + (L_{lfd} + L_{fd}) i_{fd} \\ &= -[(L_{sr})^T (K_s)^{-1}] I_{qd1} + [(L_{sr})^T (K_s)^{-1}] I_{qd2} + (L_{lfd} + L_{fd}) i_{fd} \end{aligned} \quad (3.43)$$

$$(L_{sr})^T (K_s)^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \frac{3}{2} L_{sfd} \end{bmatrix} \quad (3.44)$$

In expanded form, we can have

$$v_{fd} = r_{fd} i_{fd} + p \lambda_{fd} \quad (3.45)$$

$$\lambda_{fd} = L_{lfd} i_{fd} + \frac{3}{2} L_{sfd} (-i_{d1} + i_{d2}) + L_{fd} i_{fd} \quad (3.46)$$

3.3.3.4 Torque Equations in Synchronous Reference-Frame Variables

The electromagnetic torque T_e in the machine is formed by two components. One is the electromagnetic torque T_{e1} generated by the *abcs* windings and the field winding, while T_{e2} is generated by the *xyzs* windings and the field winding. The expressions of them can be described as

$$T_e = T_{e1} + T_{e2} \quad (3.47)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
T_{e1} &= \frac{3}{2} P (\lambda_{md1} i_{q1} - \lambda_{mq1} i_{d1}) \\
&= \frac{3}{2} P \left\{ \left[\frac{3}{2} L_s (-i_{d1} + i_{d2}) + \frac{3}{2} L_{sfd} i_{fd} \right] i_{q1} - \frac{3}{2} L_s (-i_{q1} + i_{q2}) i_{d1} \right\}
\end{aligned} \tag{3.48}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
T_{e2} &= \frac{3}{2} P (\lambda_{md2} i_{q2} - \lambda_{mq2} i_{d2}) \\
&= \frac{3}{2} P \left\{ \left[\frac{3}{2} L_s (i_{d1} - i_{d2}) + \frac{3}{2} L_{sfd} i_{fd} \right] i_{q2} - \frac{3}{2} L_s (i_{q1} - i_{q2}) i_{d2} \right\}
\end{aligned} \tag{3.49}$$

Where, P is the number of the pole pairs.

The relationship between the mechanical torque T_m and the electromagnetic torque T_e can be expressed as

$$T_m = T_e + J \frac{d\omega_r}{dt} \tag{3.50}$$

Where, J is the machine inertia; ω_r is the rotor speed.

The two-set three-phase windings synchronous machine is simulated in current-source mode.

Figure 3.4 shows block diagram of the computer simulation model.

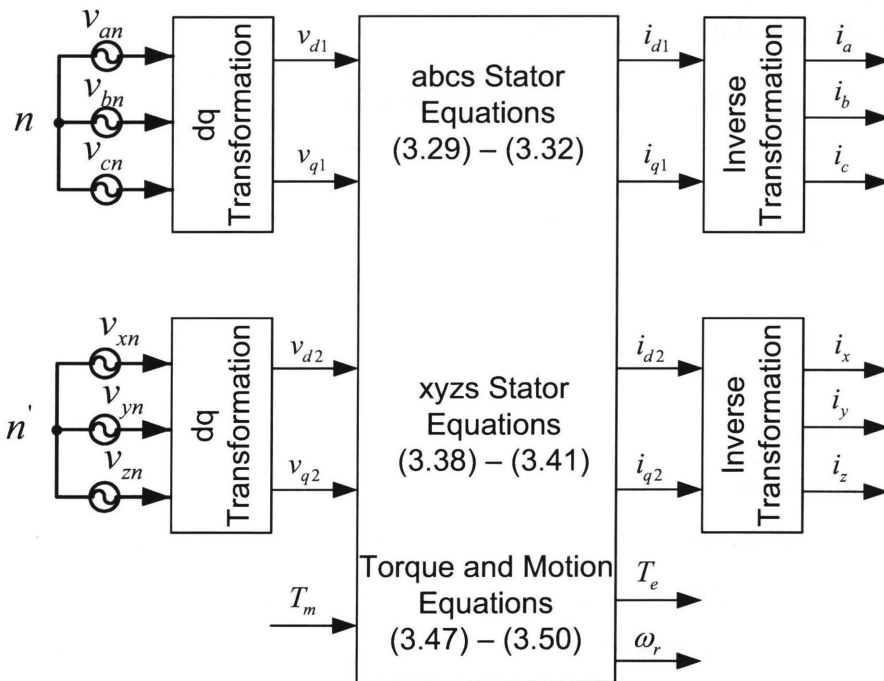


Figure 3.4 Block diagram of simulation of synchronous machine in synchronous reference frame

Computer Simulation and Experiment Results

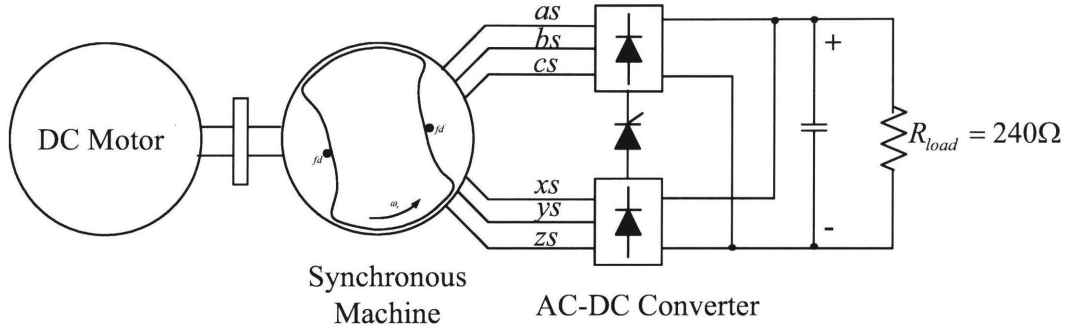


Figure 3.5 Experiment setup for the machine model verification

Table 3.1 Synchronous machine parameters

Parameters	Values
Stator winding leakage inductance, L_{ls} (mH)	10
Stator winding inductance, L_s (mH)	55
Rotor winding leakage inductance, L_{lfd} (mH)	30
Rotor winding self-inductance, L_{fd} (mH)	300
Magnetizing inductance between rotor and stator winding, L_{sfd} (mH)	90
Stator winding resistance, r_s (Ω)	0.6
Field winding resistance, r_{fd} (Ω)	2.3

The accuracy of the synchronous machine model is verified by the experimental test. The experimental machine is a 4-pole, 3-phase, wound induction motor. By the proper rearrangement of the stator windings and the excitation on the wound rotor, the induction machine is converted into a 4-pole, two-set winding, 3-phase synchronous machine. Therefore, the accuracy of the synchronous machine model becomes a big concern for the further study of the wind energy conversion system. The experiment environment is set up as shown in Figure 3.5. During the experiment, the thyristors in the AC-DC rectifier, which are described in the previous chapter, are triggered at two different firing angles, 150° and 0° . In other words, the AC-DC rectifier

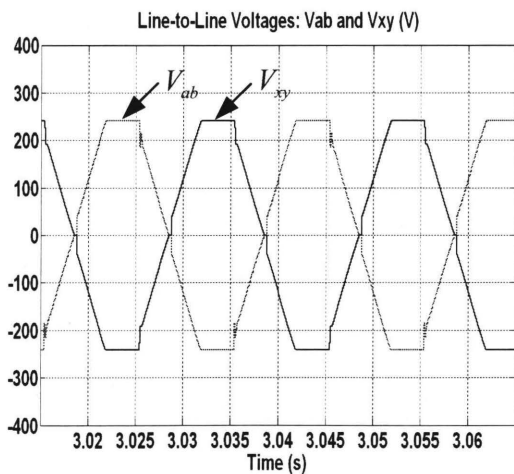
operates in parallel and in series. The synchronous generator is driven by a dc motor, which runs at the fixed speed. The terminal voltage, phase voltage, phase current and voltage between two neutral points of the synchronous generator are measured under the different firing angles and compared with the simulation results. The parameters of the synchronous generator are shown in Table 3.1.

3.4.1 Comparison when firing angle at 150°

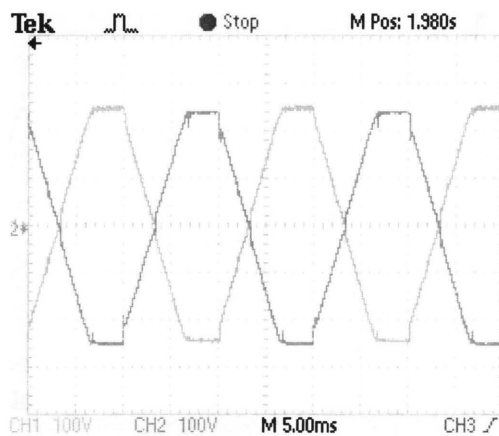
The following conditions are applied for experiment and simulation:

- Generator rotor speed: 1500RPM
- Electrical frequency: 50Hz
- Rotor excitation current: 6.0A
- Load resistor: $240\ \Omega$
- DC-link capacitor: $4500\ \mu F$
- Firing angle: 150°

The waveforms of line-to-line voltages, phase voltages, line currents and neutral voltages are shown in the figures 3.6 to 3.9.



(a)



(b)

Figure 3.6 Waveforms of voltage V_{ab} and V_{xy} when the firing angle is 150° :

(a) Simulation result; (b) Experimental result.

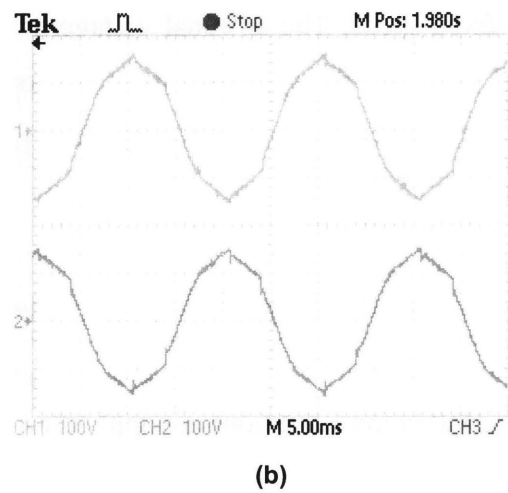
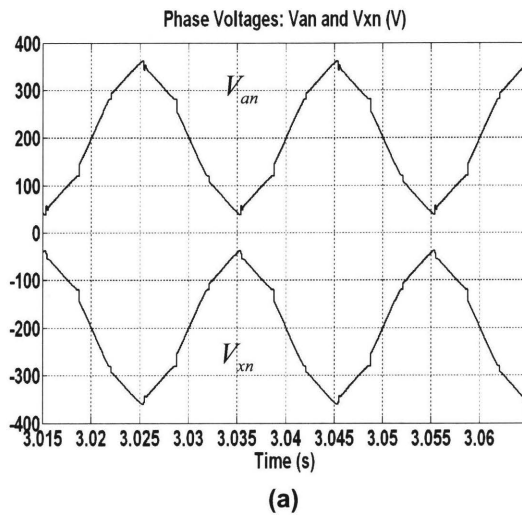


Figure 3.7 Waveforms of voltage V_{an} and V_{xn} when the firing angle is 150° :

(a) Simulation result; (b) Experimental result.

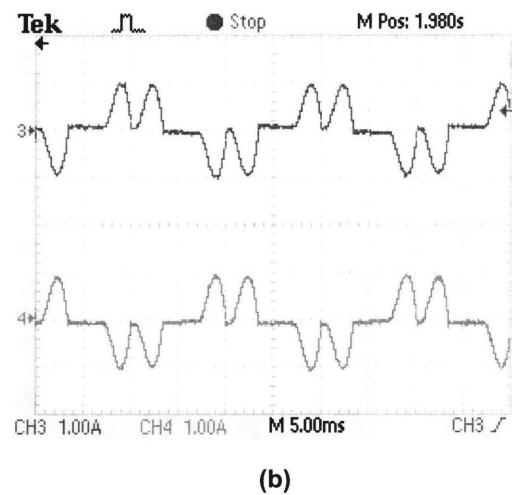
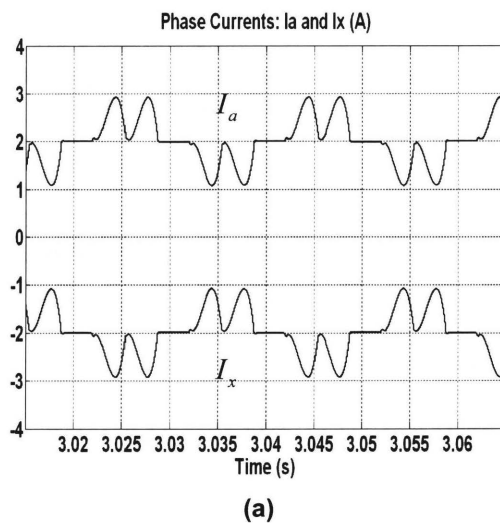


Figure 3.8 Waveforms of current I_a and I_x when the firing angle is 150° :

(a) Simulation result; (b) Experimental result.

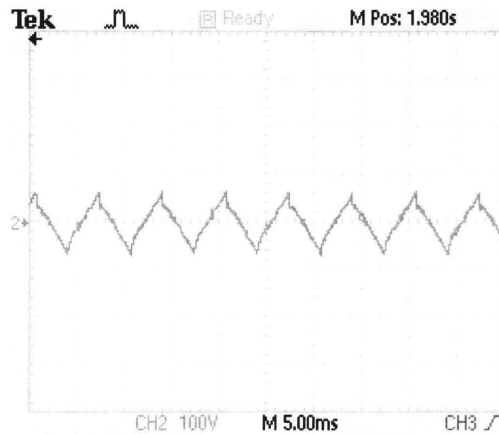


Figure 3.9 Waveform of voltage between two neutral points V_{nn} when the firing angle is 150°

From above comparison, it can be seen that the model of machine is accurate and error between two results are negligible. It should be noted that in the simulation, the dc link voltage V_{dc} is 242V and 240.5V in the experiment, which causes the slight different of line current.

3.4.2 Experiment with Firing Angle at 0°

The following conditions are applied for experiment and simulation when the firing angle is zero:

- Generator rotor speed: 1500RPM
- Electrical frequency: 50Hz
- Rotor excitation current: 6.0A
- Load resistor: 240Ω
- DC-link capacitor: $4500\mu F$
- Firing angle: 0°

The waveforms of line-to-line voltages, phase voltages, line currents and neutral voltages are shown in the figures 3.10 to 3.13.

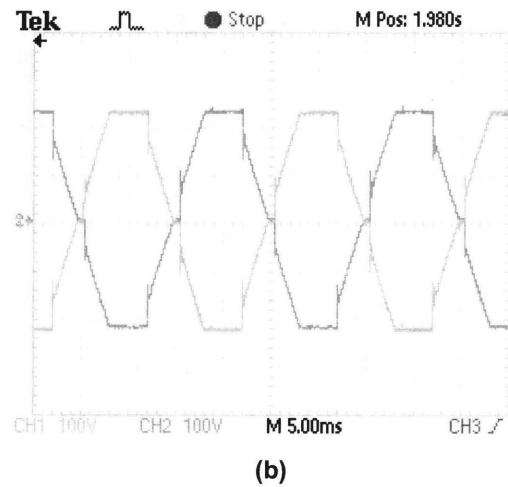
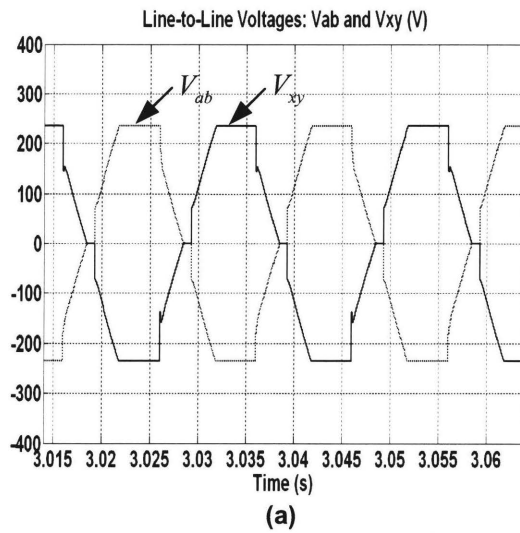


Figure 3.10 Waveforms of voltage V_{ab} and V_{xy} when the firing angle is 0° :

(a) Simulation result; (b) Experimental result.

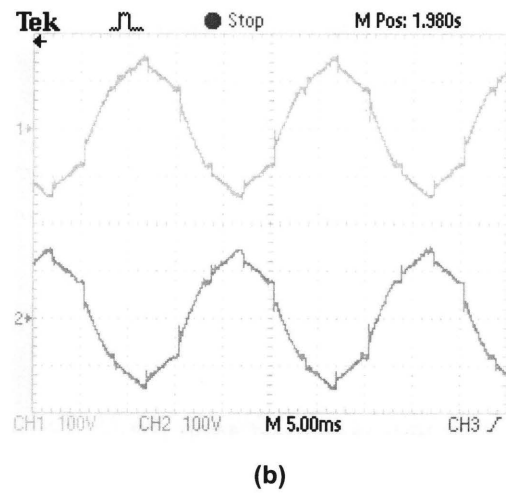
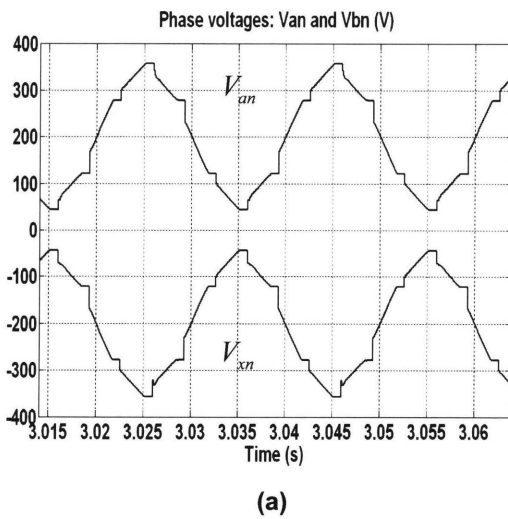
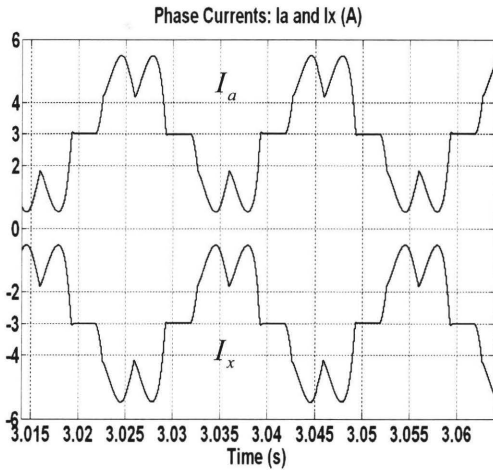
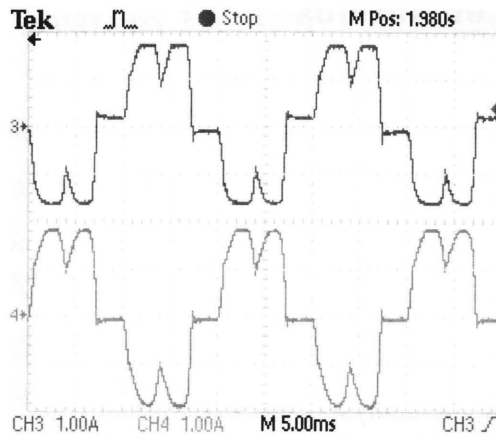


Figure 3.11 Waveforms of voltage V_{an} and V_{bn} when the firing angle is 0° :

(a) Simulation result; (b) Experimental result.



(a)



(b)

Figure 3.12 Waveforms of current I_a and I_x when the firing angle is 0° :

(a) Simulation result; (b) Experimental result.

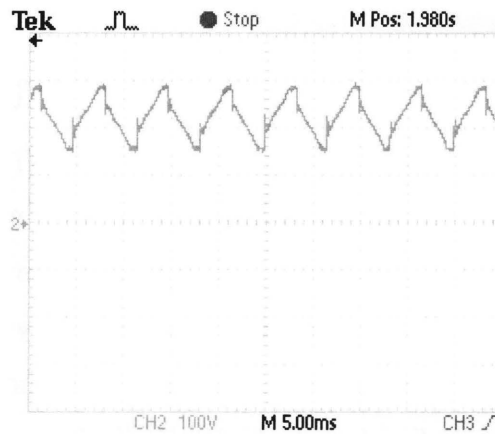


Figure 3.13 Waveform of voltage between two neutral points V_{nn} when the firing angle is 0°

From above comparison through figures 3.9 to 3.11, it can be verified that the model of machine is accurate. It also should be noted that in the simulation, the dc link voltage V_{dc} is 467V and 440V in the experiment, which causes the slight different of line current in Figure 3.13.

3.5. Conclusions

The winding arrangement introduced in this chapter provides an economical solution to obtain a two-set, 3-phase windings from a conventional 3-phase machine. The synchronous machine must have an even number of pole pairs, such as two pole-pairs. The model for the machine is developed under synchronous reference frame. The conventional synchronous machine model is modified to adopt two sets of windings. A simulation model in Matlab is built to verify the analysis. The experiment results verify the model developed through waveforms of line-to-line voltages, line currents and phase voltages. There are small deviations between the simulation results and the experimental results. The error of the model is around 5%, which is acceptable.

Chapter 4 Control System Design

4.1. Introduction

In this chapter, a feedback control system is designed to regulate the generator speed according to optimal speed of wind turbine. The optimal speed is fed as a reference speed for controller. The output variables such as dc current and rotor speed are sensed and are fed back to control system, in which they are compared with the desired references. The error signals between the references and the feedback values are amplified to control the AC-DC rectifier in order to minimize and eliminate these errors.

At the beginning of the chapter, wind turbine characteristics and proposed-control algorithms are studied to determine the control variable. Next, the detail of the control system design is demonstrated. In this part, the converter and generators are modeled using small signal model; the design of the dc current control loop and the rotor speed control loop is discussed. Furthermore, the computer simulation is carried on to verify the design of the control system.

4.2. MPPT Control of Wind Turbine

According to equation (1.1), the aerodynamic power extracted by a wind turbine is related to the power coefficient and the cube of wind speed. By maintaining an optimal tip speed ratio (TSR), λ , the maximum power can be extracted from wind by blades. The method of capturing the maximum power at various wind speeds is named maximum power point tracking (MPPT). Previous research proposed different types of control algorithms for MPPT, namely tip speed ratio (TSR) control, power signal feedback (PSF) control, hill-climb searching (HCS) [18], [19], [20] and optimal torque control [21].

TSR control regulates the speed of wind turbine generator to maintain an optimal TSR. In this control scheme, the wind speed has to be measured and the optimal value of TSR, which is often available at manufacture, is needed. When a wind speed is measured by the system, an optimal generator speed can be calculated by employing equation (1.2). The optimal speed is fed back to the control system as the reference speed. Hence, the optimal TSR is achieved.

PSF control requires the knowledge of the maximum power curve of wind turbine and tracks this curve. The maximum power curve needs to be obtained via simulations or tests for an individual wind turbine. This makes PSF control difficult and expensive in implementation.

HCS control has been proposed to avoid the measurement of wind speed and the knowledge of maximum power curve. However, due to the high inertia of wind turbine and the interlacement of the extracted wind power and the turbine mechanical power, HCS method is not effective when the change of generator speed is slow. In [19], a torque control is suggested for HCS method.

Optimal torque control adjusts the generator torque reference to obtain the turbine optimal torque and, hence, achieves the maximum power extraction. The torque reference is calculated by the square of generator speed and the turbine coefficient. When the wind speed increases, the turbine torque increases, but the generator speed cannot increase instantaneously due to the turbine inertia. At this moment, the torque reference is smaller than the turbine torque. This results in the acceleration of the turbine until the torque reference reaches the optimal torque.

In these control algorithms, MPPT is achieved by controlling either torque of WTG or speed of WTG. In this thesis, a speed control system is designed for the synchronous generator to achieve variable speed operation. As shown in Figure 4.1, when the wind speed is beyond the rated speed, the control system is able to regulate the rotor speed to achieve the constant rated wind power extraction.

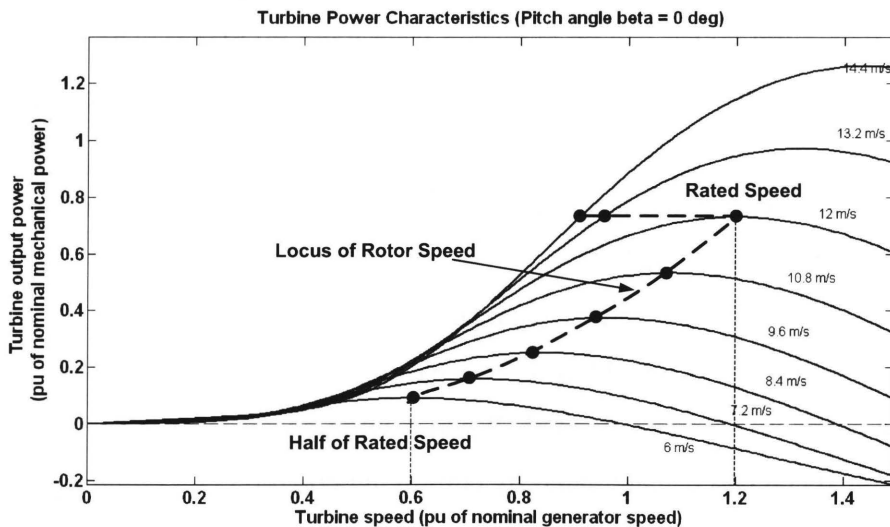


Figure 4.1 Wind turbine output power vs shaft speed

4.3. Controller Design

The subjects involved in the control system design consist of transfer functions of the AC-DC rectifier, the generator and the mechanical load. In response to a desired input, rotor speed reference ω_r^* , the output of the control system is rotor speed ω_r , which is expected to be equal to the reference ω_r^* . Two objectives will be achieved by the control system. One is to eliminate or reduce the steady state error; the other one is to obtain a suitable dynamic response, which does not imply a fast transient response for a step-change in the input due to large inertia of the turbine generator system.

The control system is designed with a unity feedback. In Laplace domain, the frequency, at which the open-loop gain is equal to unity, is defined as the crossover frequency f_c (angular frequency ω_c). At the crossover frequency, the phase delay introduced by the open-loop transfer function must be less than 180° for the closed-loop feedback system to be stable. The phase margin is defined as the phase angle of the open-loop transfer function at f_c , which is measured with respect to -180° . For a satisfactory dynamic response without oscillations, the phase margin should be greater than 45° , preferably close to 60° .

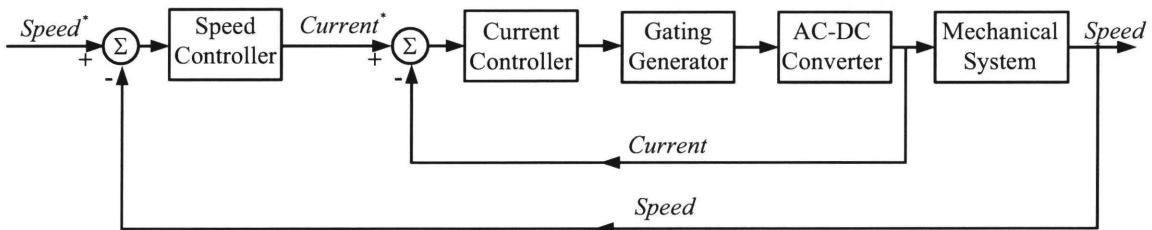


Figure 4.2 Cascade control structure

The cascade control structure is popular in drive industry because of its flexibility. The feedback controller designed here consists of two control loops; the inner current loop is followed by the speed loop. Cascade control requires that the bandwidth (speed of response) increase towards the inner loop, with the current loop being faster than the speed loop. In the

control system, as shown in Figure 4.2, the bandwidth of the current loop is designed one order of magnitude faster than the one of the speed loop.

4.3.1 Equivalent Voltage Source

In the wind energy conversion system studied in this thesis, the AC-DC rectifier is connected to the wind turbine generator, which is analyzed in Chapter 3. Under variable speed operation, the magnitude and frequency of the generator terminal voltage vary when wind speed changes. Besides, the relationship between the internal voltage of generator and the terminal voltage of generator is nonlinear due to the winding leakage inductance. Fortunately, through the analysis below, it can be shown that the generator internal voltage is proportional to the electrical angular speed. Hence, an equivalent voltage source for the generator is obtained. Based on this, a control scheme for the generator and the AC-DC rectifier can be developed.

First, let us assume the condition that the terminals of generator are not connected and the phase currents of generator are equal to zero. The current i_{fd} flowing in the field winding produces the magnetic motive force (MMF), F_{fd} , in the air gap of generator. The MMF F_{fd} rotates along the stator circumference at the electrical angular velocity of ω_e due to the rotor motion. Hence, the air-gap flux density due to i_{fd} links the field winding fd and the stator winding as together, as shown in Figure 3.5. From the view of the stator winding as , the flux linkage between the stator winding as and the field winding fd can be expressed as

$$\lambda_{sfd} = L_{sfd} i_{fd} \sin(2\theta_r) \quad (4.1)$$

Where, the symbol θ_r is the rotor angular displacement. If the time origin $t = 0$ is set at the instant $\theta_r = 0$, due to the rotating of the rotor, the expression of the flux linkage λ_{sfd} can be rewritten as

$$\lambda_{sfd} = L_{sfd} i_{fd} \sin(\omega_e t) \quad (4.2)$$

Where

$$\omega_e = \frac{d(2\theta_r)}{dt} \quad (4.3)$$

The time-varying flux linkage λ_{sfd} induces a voltage e_q in the stator winding as . The expression of voltage e_q can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} e_q &= \frac{d\lambda_{sfd}}{dt} \\ &= \frac{d}{dt}[L_{sfd}i_{fd} \sin(\omega_e t)] \\ &= \omega_e L_{sfd}i_{fd} \cos(\omega_e t) \end{aligned} \quad (4.4)$$

When the phase current is zero, the induced voltage e_q is equal to the phase terminal voltage v_t , and the rms value of e_q is

$$E_q = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \omega_e L_{sfd} i_{fd} \quad (4.5)$$

Therefore, the MMF F_{fd} in the air gap can be viewed as a phasor from the stator winding. In the phasor diagram, it leads the induced voltage e_q by electrical angle 90° , as shown in Figure 4.3 (a).

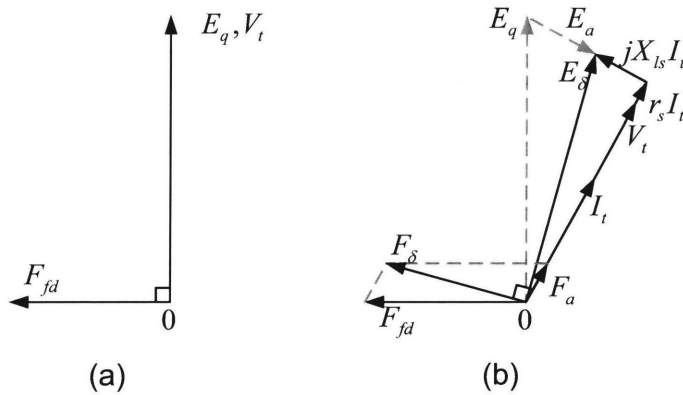


Figure 4.3 Phasor diagrams: (a) No load condition; (b) 3-phase synchronous generator.

If the generator has only one set of stator windings $abcs$ and is connected to a load, the stator currents in three phases will produce a MMF F_a in the air gap. When the MMF F_a is viewed as a phasor, it is in phase with the phase current under balanced, steady state condition.

Thus, the total air-gap MMF F_δ is formed by superimposing the MMF F_{fd} and the MMF F_a together. The MMF F_δ results in an induced air-gap voltage E_δ in the stator winding. The relationship between the air-gap voltage E_δ and the terminal voltage V_t is expressed as

$$\tilde{E}_\delta = \tilde{V}_t + (r_s + jX_{ls})\tilde{I}_t \quad (4.6)$$

$$X_{ls} = \omega_e L_{ls} \quad (4.7)$$

Where, r_s is the phase winding resistance and X_{ls} is the impedance caused by the leakage inductance of phase winding L_{ls} . With the assumption that the phasor \tilde{I}_t is in phase with the phasor \tilde{V}_t , the all phasors stated in equation (4.6) can be shown in Figure 4.3 (b).

In the experiment, the rotor of the synchronous generator is supplied by a current-controlled converter. In other words, the dc excitation current is regulated constant. Owing to that, the air-gap MMF F_δ is maintained constant and the effect of the MMF F_a can be neglected, in practice. Consequently, the air-gap voltage E_δ is equal to the voltage E_q , which is induced by time varying flux linkage produced by the rotating MMF F_{fd} in the air gap. Therefore, the machine internal voltage E_q is positively proportional to the electrical angular velocity ω_e . In addition, it is equivalent to a voltage source with an internal resistance r_s and an inductance L_{ls} , as shown in Figure 4.4. Hence, by neglecting the resistance r_s , the two sets of internal voltage E_q behind the two sets of terminal voltages V_{abcs} and V_{xyzs} are equivalent to the two sets of voltage sources described in Chapter 2.

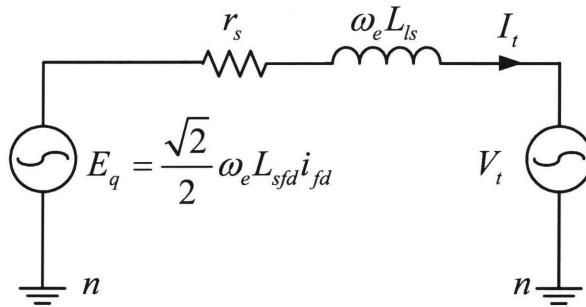


Figure 4.4 Equivalent voltage source

4.3.2. Design of The Current Loop

The model of the AC-DC rectifier developed in Chapter 2 is helpful for the steady-state analysis, but insufficient for the transient-response study. In order to obtain the detailed description and computation, a great effort had been made in modeling the diode and SCR rectifiers in AC-DC-AC converter systems [22-24]. Most of the models were developed in switching mode with the constant dc current over an averaging period. In these models, the concept of the equivalent dc inductance was established.

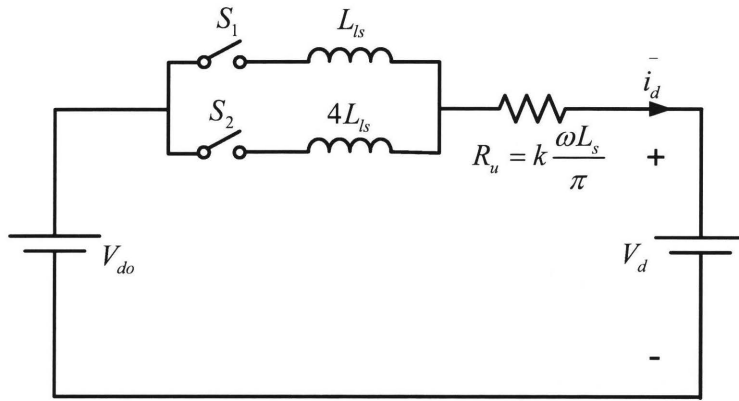


Figure 4.5 Equivalent circuit of the AC-DC rectifier

According to the previous research, the equivalent circuit of the AC-DC rectifier can be developed and illustrated in Figure 4.5 by neglecting the winding resistance. In Figure 4.5, the symbol \bar{i}_d is the average dc current over 120° electrical angle, which is defined as the averaging period. In addition, S_1 and S_2 are ideal switches. When the thyristors in the converter are triggered, the converter DC-side equivalent inductance is equal to $4L_{ls}$. The condition can be modeled as that S_1 is off and S_2 is on. When the thyristors are turned off, the converter DC-side equivalent inductance changes to L_{ls} . The situation is similar as that S_1 is on and S_2 is off. It is obvious that the conducting times of switches S_1 and S_2 in an averaging period are determined by the firing angle of thyristor. With the assumption that dc current \bar{i}_d is constant over the average period, the equivalent dc inductance L_{dc} can be calculated as

$$L_{dc} = \frac{L_{ls}t_{1,on} + 4L_{ls}t_{2,on}}{t_{1,on} + t_{2,on}} \quad (4.8)$$

In the above equation, $t_{1,on}$ is the conducting time of the switch S_1 ; $t_{2,on}$ is the conducting time of the switch S_2 ; the averaging period is equal to $t_{1,on} + t_{2,on}$.

From equation (4.8), the equivalent dc inductance varies with different firing angles. The maximum value of L_{dc} is $4L_{ls}$ and the minimum value of L_{dc} is L_{ls} . This variance introduces a function of firing angle into the expression of equivalent inductance and, hence, generates difficulties for expressing the converter transfer function. However in the small signal model, the variance of L_{dc} can be linearized and maximum L_{dc} will be considered in each firing angle section.

When $0^\circ < \alpha < 30^\circ$, the relationship among the dc voltages and the dc current can be expressed as, where L_{dc} is constant at $4L_{ls}$.

$$V_{do}(t) = V_d + R_u \bar{i}_d(t) + L_{dc} \frac{d\bar{i}_d(t)}{dt} \quad (4.9)$$

$$V_{do}(t) = 1.35E_{q,LL} \cos \alpha(t) + 1.35E_{q,LL} \quad (4.10)$$

$$R_u = \frac{6\omega_e L_{ls}}{\pi} \quad (4.11)$$

In the Laplace domain, equation (3) can be written as

$$I_d(s) = \frac{V_{do}(s) - V_d}{R_u + sL_{dc}} = \frac{1.35E_{q,LL} \cos \alpha(s) + 1.35E_{q,LL} - V_d}{R_u} \frac{1}{1 + \frac{s}{R_u / L_{dc}}} \quad (4.12)$$

Hence, block diagrams of the current feedback control loop can be obtained in Figure 4.6 (a). In the control loop, one proportional-integral (PI) controller is utilized to compensate the current close-loop. The inner current loop is designed one order magnitude faster than the outer speed loop. Hence, in the current loop, the rotor speed and the electrical frequency are considered constant. Using the equation (4.5), we have

$$\frac{1.35E_{q,LL}}{R_u} = \frac{1.35 \times \sqrt{3} \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \omega_e L_{sfd} i_{fd} \right)}{\frac{6\omega_e L_{ls}}{\pi}} = 0.865 \frac{L_{sfd} i_{fd}}{L_{ls}} \quad (4.13)$$

By applying small variant and neglecting the constant item, $V_d - 1.35E_{q,LL}$, Figure 4.6 (a) can be redrawn as Figure 4.6 (b).

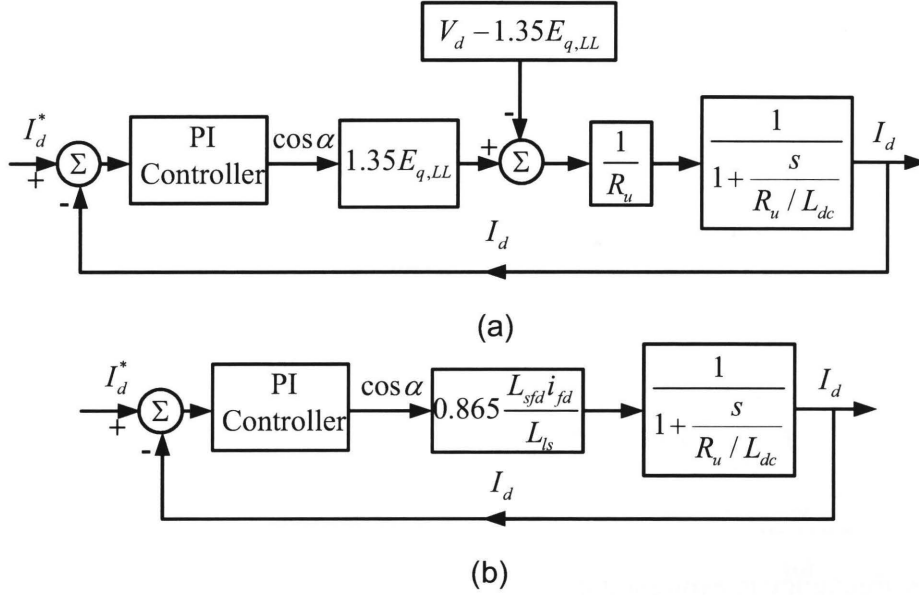


Figure 4.6 Block diagrams of current loop

It is worth to note that the electrical frequency varies with the changing generator speed. If the electrical frequency f_e is designed to be within the range of 26.5 Hz to 53 Hz, the operating frequency is 26.5 Hz when the firing angle α is equal to 0° , and the operating frequency is about 53Hz when the firing angle α is equal to 150° . The minimum switching frequency $f_{swi,min}$ of the converter can be calculated as

$$f_{swi,min} = 3 \times f_{e,min} = 79.5 \text{ Hz} \quad (4.14)$$

For suppressing the switching noise in the circuit and improving the stability of the current control loop, the crossover frequency $f_{c,c}$ of the compensated open loop has to be chosen between $\frac{1}{5} f_{swi,min}$ and $\frac{1}{10} f_{swi,min}$. For the bigger bandwidth of the outer speed loop, the

crossover frequency $f_{c,c}$ is chosen to be $\frac{1}{5} f_{swi,min}$, which can be calculated equal to around 100 rad/s.

From Figure 4.6 (b), the uncompensated open loop transfer function is written as

$$T_{u,c}(s) = \frac{I_d(s)}{\cos \alpha(s)} = 0.865 \frac{L_{sfd} i_{fd}}{L_{ls}} \frac{1}{1 + \frac{s}{R_u / L_{dc}}} \quad (4.15)$$

Where, the subscription c is used to denote the current loop.

From Table 3.3, we have $L_{ls} = 10mH$, $L_{sfd} = 90mH$ and $i_{fd} = 6A$. Therefore, the dc gain of the uncompensated open loop transfer function is calculated as

$$T_{dc,c} = 0.865 \frac{L_{sfd} i_{fd}}{L_{ls}} = 46.7 A \quad (4.16)$$

The corner frequency is expressed as

$$\omega_{corner} = \frac{R_u}{L_{dc}} = \frac{6\omega_e L_{ls}}{\pi L_{dc}} \quad (4.17)$$

The minimum corner frequency can be calculated as

$$\omega_{corner,min} = \frac{6\omega_{e,min} L_{ls}}{\pi L_{dc,max}} = \frac{6 \times 84 L_{ls}}{\pi \times 4 L_{ls}} = 40.13 rad/s \quad (4.18)$$

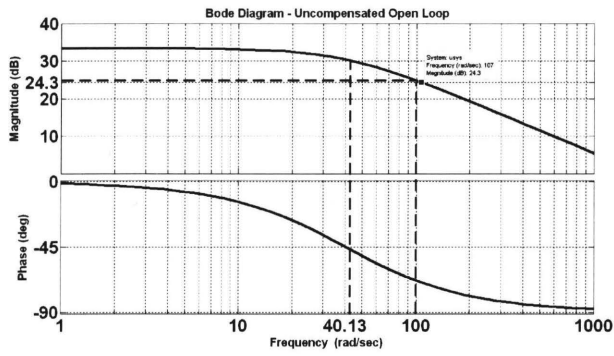
The transfer function of the uncompensated open loop is plotted in Figure 4.7 (a). At the frequency of 100 rad/s, the transfer function has a magnitude $24.3dB = 16.4A$.

The Laplace-domain transfer function of the PI controller is expressed as

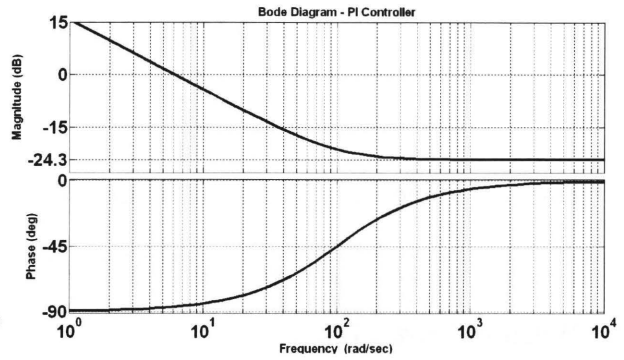
$$G_c(s) = K_{p,c} + K_{i,c} \frac{1}{s} = K_{p,c} \frac{1 + \frac{K_{p,c}}{K_{i,c}} s}{\frac{K_{p,c}}{K_{i,c}} s} \quad (4.19)$$

The compensated open-loop transfer function of the current loop is expressed as

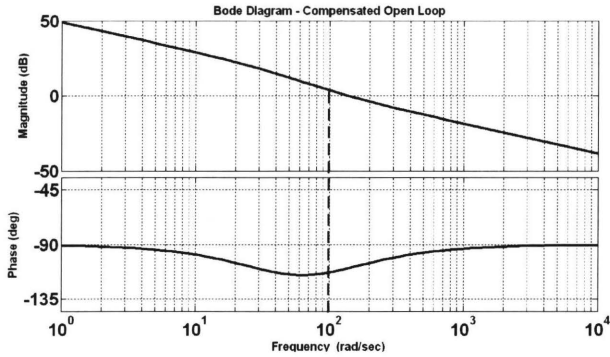
$$T_{c,o}(s) = T_{u,c}(s)G_c(s) = T_{u,c}(s) \left(K_{p,c} \frac{1 + \frac{K_{p,c}}{K_{i,c}} s}{\frac{K_{p,c}}{K_{i,c}} s} \right) \quad (4.20)$$



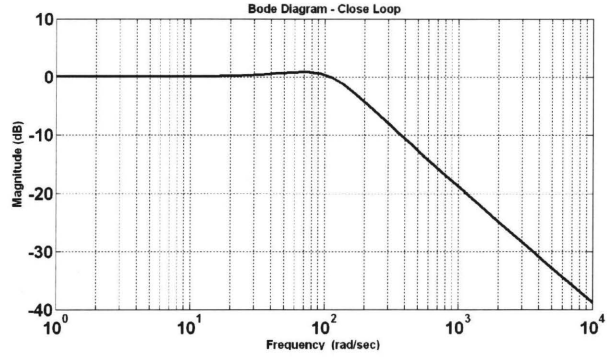
(a)



(b)



(c)



(d)

Figure 4.7 Bode plots of transfer functions

Then the parameters of the PI controller can be calculated as

$$K_{p,c} = \frac{1}{16.4} = 0.061 \quad (4.21)$$

$$K_{i,c} = \omega_{c,c} K_{p,c} = 100 \times 0.061 = 6.1 \quad (4.22)$$

The transfer functions of the PI controller and the compensated open loop are plotted in Figure 4.7 (b) and Figure 4.7 (c), respectively. The phase margin of the compensated open loop is expected higher than 45° , which is proved in Figure 4.7 (c). Figure 4.7 (d) shows the plot of the unity-feedback closed-loop transfer function. When $30^\circ < \alpha < 60^\circ$,

$$I_d(s) = \frac{0.675E_{q,LL} \cos \alpha(s) + 2.52E_{q,LL} - V_d}{R_u} \frac{1}{1 + \frac{s}{R_u / L_{dc}}} \quad (4.23)$$

$$R_u = \frac{6\omega_e L_{ls}}{\pi} \quad (4.24)$$

$$T_{dc,c} = \frac{0.675 \times \sqrt{3} \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \omega_e L_{sfd} i_{fd} \right)}{\frac{6\omega_e L_{ls}}{\pi}} = 0.433 \frac{L_{sfd} i_{fd}}{L_{ls}} = 23.4 A \quad (4.25)$$

Due to variance of L_{dc} , the minimums corner frequency of system will be

$$\omega_{corner, \min} = 40.13 rad / s \quad (4.26)$$

When $60^\circ < \alpha < 120^\circ$,

$$I_d(s) = \frac{0.675E_{q,LL} \cos \alpha(s) + 1.94E_{q,LL} - V_d}{R_u} \frac{1}{1 + \frac{s}{R_u / L_{dc}}} \quad (4.27)$$

$$R_u = \frac{15\omega_e L_{ls}}{4\pi} \quad (4.28)$$

$$T_{dc,c} = \frac{0.675 \times \sqrt{3} \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \omega_e L_{sfd} i_{fd} \right)}{\frac{15\omega_e L_{ls}}{4\pi}} = 0.692 \frac{L_{sfd} i_{fd}}{L_{ls}} = 37.4 A \quad (4.29)$$

$$\omega_{corner, \min} = \frac{15\omega_{e, \min} L_{ls}}{4\pi L_{dc, \max}} = \frac{15 \times 122 L_{ls}}{4\pi \times 2.5 L_{ls}} = 58.3 rad / s \quad (4.30)$$

When $120^\circ < \alpha < 150^\circ$, the system parameters are approximately equal to the ones with the firing angle between 60° and 120° .

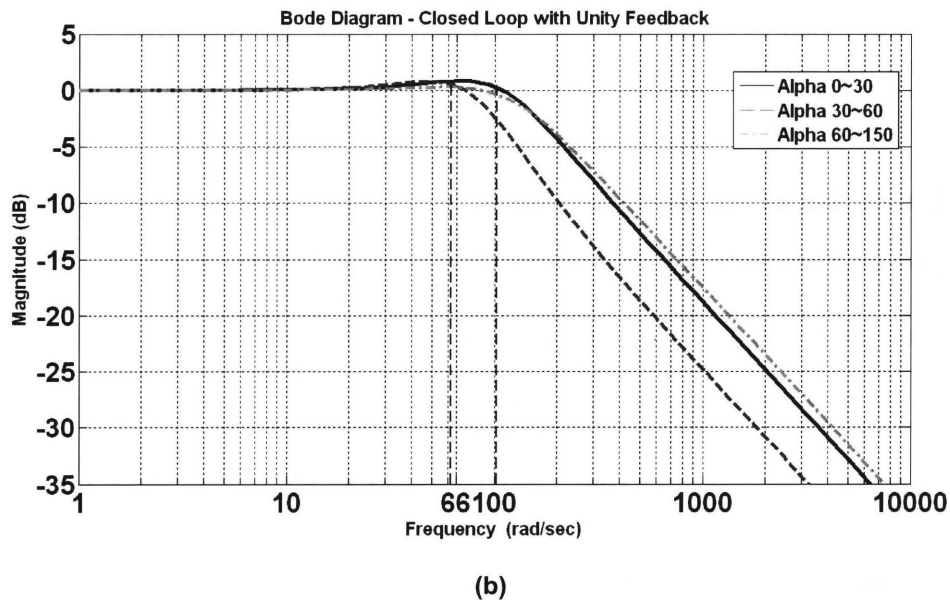
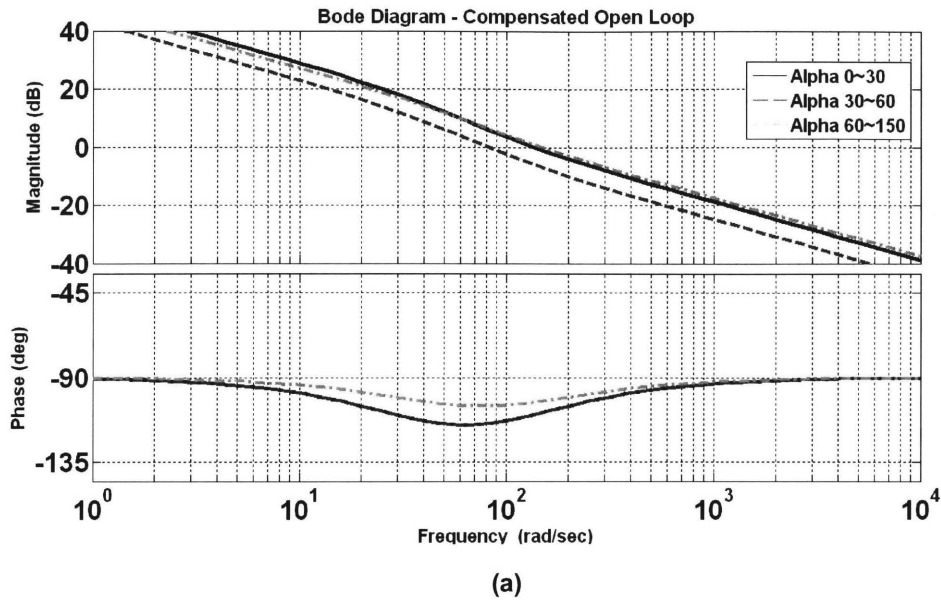


Figure 4.8 Bode plots with different firing angles (Alpha)

The transfer functions of the compensated open loop and the closed loop are plotted in Figure 4.8 (a) and (b), respectively, under the whole range of the firing angle. In the Bode diagrams, all the transfer functions are compensated with the same PI controller. Consequently, the crossover frequencies of the compensated open loop vary with the different firing angles. It can be observed in Figure 4.8 (b) that the minimum crossover frequency of the current loop is around 66

rad/s when the firing angle is between 30° and 60° , which is the worst scenario of the system design.

This variance of inner-loop crossover frequency should be considered for the design of the outer speed loop. In order to avoid the interaction between the two control loops, the bandwidth of the outer loop has to be chosen one order of magnitude smaller than the minimum crossover frequency of the inner loop. Hence, the effect of the variance can be neglected for the performance of the control system.

4.3.3. Design of the Speed Loop

In order to establish the relationship between the dc current I_d and the generator electrical torque T_e , note that the output active power, P_{out} , of the generator is given by

$$P_{out} = T_e \omega_r \quad (4.31)$$

Then the dc-link power P_{dc} can be written as

$$P_{dc} = I_d V_d \quad (4.32)$$

By neglecting the AC-DC rectifier losses, the output power of generator must be equal to the dc-link power. Therefore, from equations (4.23) and (4.24), we have

$$T_e = I_d \frac{V_d}{\omega_r} \quad (4.33)$$

In the generating mode, the mechanical equation is given by

$$T_{shaft} - T_e = J \frac{d\omega_r}{dt} \quad (4.34)$$

Where, T_{shaft} is the shaft torque of the generator; J is the inertia of the generator.

The bandwidth of the speed loop will be selected one order of magnitude smaller than that of the current loop. Therefore, the closed-current loop can be assumed ideal for design purposes and represented by unity. The block diagram of the speed loop is shown in Figure 4.9 (a). Note that the block $\frac{V_d}{\omega_r}$ in the speed loop consists the output variable ω_r . The design of the speed controller has to compensate this nonlinear item.

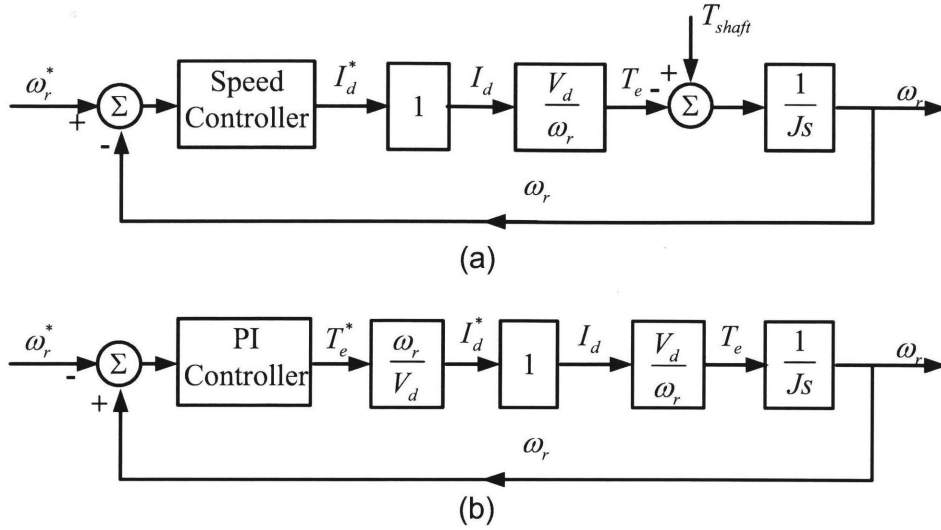


Figure 4.9 Block diagrams of the speed loop

A PI controller is utilized in the speed controller. The input to the PI controller is the error of the rotor speed ω_r . Then, the controller will generate an electrical torque reference T_e^* . The dc current reference I_d^* is obtained by the equation

$$I_d^* = T_e^* \frac{\omega_r}{V_d} \quad (4.35)$$

Hence, by introducing the feedback of the rotor speed ω_r , the block diagram of the speed loop is shown in Figure 4.9 (b). The resulting open-loop transfer function $T_s(s)$ of the speed loop is as follows, where the subscript s denotes the speed loop.

$$T_s(s) = G_s(s) \frac{1}{Js} = \left(K_{p,s} \frac{1 + \frac{K_{p,s}}{K_{i,s}} s}{\frac{K_{p,s}}{K_{i,s}} s} \right) \frac{1}{Js} \quad (4.36)$$

Where, J is equal to 0.01 kg.m^2 .

This shows that the open-loop transfer function consists of a double pole at the origin. At low frequencies in the Bode diagram, this double pole at the origin causes the magnitude to decline at the rate of $-40 \text{ dB per decade}$ while the phase angle is -180° . By selecting the crossover frequency $f_{s,c}$ to be 1 Hz and choosing the phase margin 60° , equation (4.28) yields two equations at the crossover frequency:

$$\left| \left(K_{p,s} \frac{1 + \frac{K_{p,s}}{K_{i,s}} s}{\frac{K_{p,s}}{K_{i,s}} s} \right) \frac{1}{0.01s} \right|_{s=j\omega_{s,c}} = 1 \quad (4.37)$$

$$\angle \left(K_{p,s} \frac{1 + \frac{K_{p,s}}{K_{i,s}} s}{\frac{K_{p,s}}{K_{i,s}} s} \frac{1}{0.01s} \right)_{s=j\omega_{s,c}} = -180^\circ + 60^\circ \quad (4.38)$$

where

$$\omega_{s,c} = 2\pi f_{s,c} = 6.28 \text{ rad/s} \quad (4.39)$$

Solving equations (4.29) and (4.30), we have

$$K_{p,s} = 0.349 \quad (4.40)$$

$$K_{i,s} = 1.269 \quad (4.41)$$

4.4. Computer Simulation

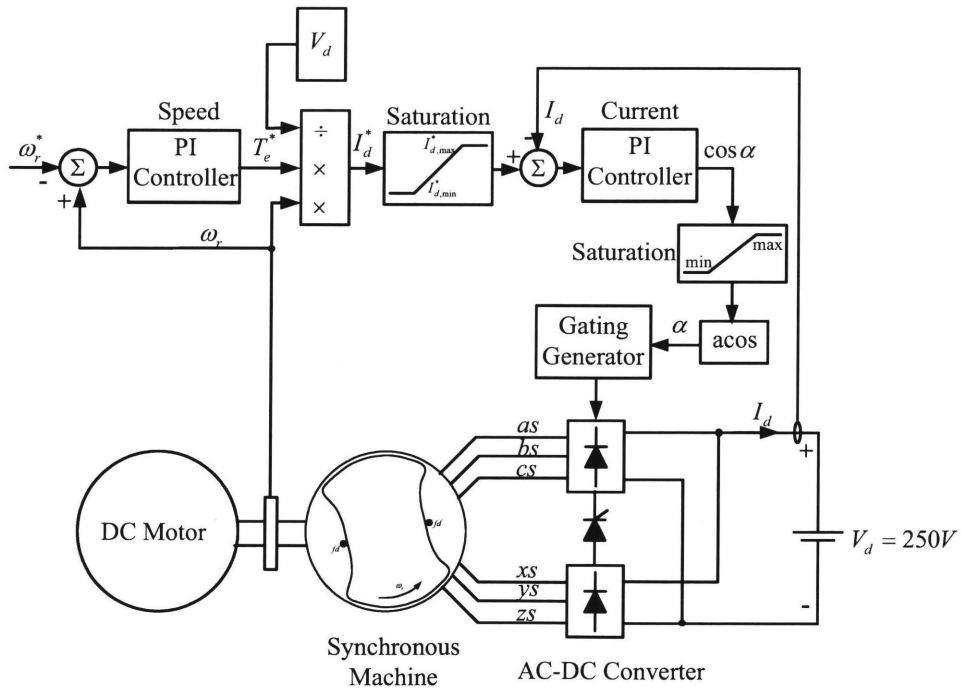


Figure 4.10 Block diagram of the control system

One of the major benefits of cascade control is that the intermediate variable such as the dc current I_d can be limited to acceptable ranges by putting limits on their reference values. The limitation of I_d provides safe operation of the inverter (no overloading during transient). The maximum value of the dc current reference I_d^* can be calculated from the equation (4.34), where P_{rated} is the rated power of the converter and $V_{d,rated}$ is the rated dc-link voltage of the converter.

$$I_{d,max}^* = \frac{P_{rated}}{V_{d,rated}} \quad (4.42)$$

The minimum dc current reference is set as $I_{d,min}^* = 0A$. Due to $0^\circ < \alpha < 150^\circ$, the control signal to the AC-DC rectifier such as $\cos \alpha$ has to be limited. The maximum control signal is set as $\cos \alpha_{max} = 1$ and the minimum control signal is set as $\cos \alpha_{min} = -0.866$. Figure 4.10 shows the block diagram of the control system.

It should be noted that the dc current is assumed constant in the previous analysis conducted in Chapter 2. It is true only when the source impedance is relatively large enough or when the dc load consists of a large inductance. However, in our case, the source inductance, which is represented by the leakage inductance of generator winding, is relatively small and the dc load is a constant dc voltage source. Consequently, the waveform of dc current will consists of big ripples or only pure pulses according to various firing angles. The analytical determination of the phase current at the corresponding fundamental frequency is extremely difficult and, in our case, impractical. In this regard, the steady state and dynamic response of control system are studied through the computer simulation.

Based on the previous work, a simulation model is built to verify the operation of control system, as shown in Appendix A. In the simulation model, the dc-link capacitor is replaced with a battery. This is true when the dc-link voltage is regulated by the DC-AC converter, which has much faster response than the rectifier. The input mechanical torque T_m is set to be $2Nm$. The references of rotor speed are 167rad/s, 122 rad/s, 99 rad/s and 83 rad/s.

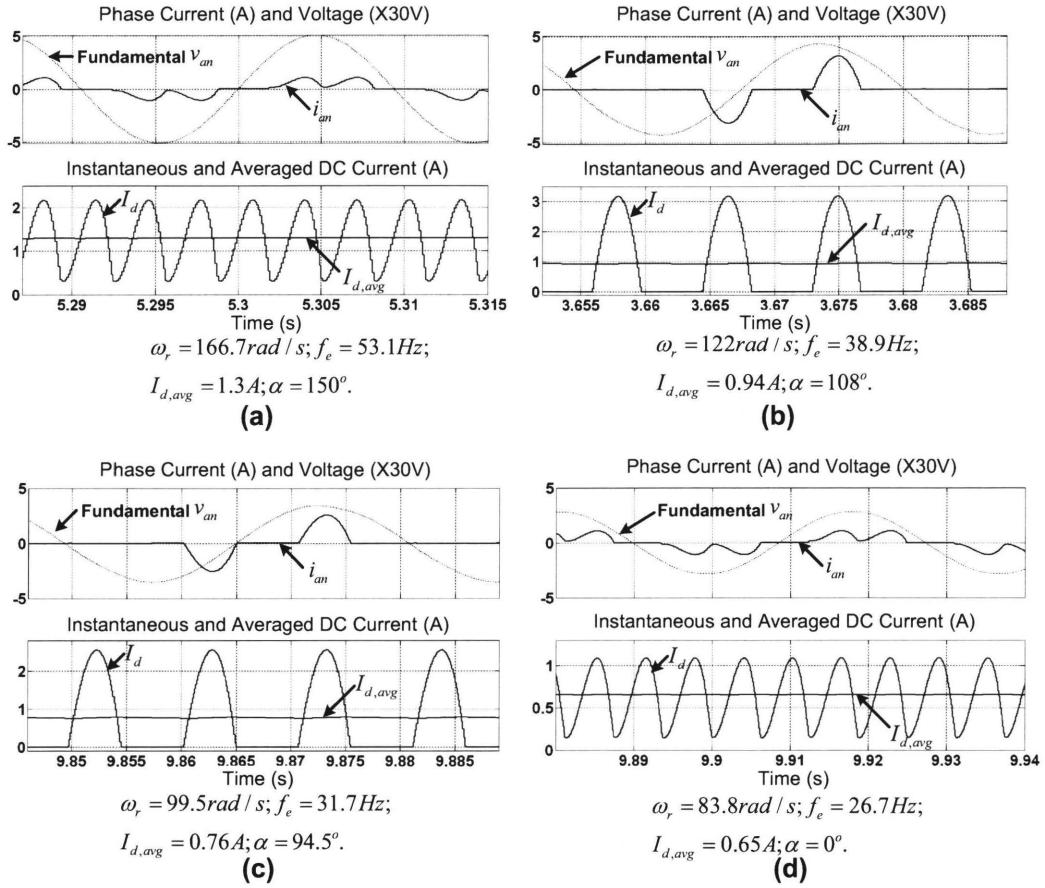


Figure 4.11 Steady states with different rotor speed references

Figure 4.11 shows the phase current i_{an} along with the fundamental component of phase voltage v_{an} and the average of dc current $I_{d,avg}$ along with the instantaneous dc current I_d in four steady states. It can be observed that the maximum rotor speed is 166.7 rad/s and the minimum rotor speed is 83.8 rad/s while the firing angle is 150° and 0° , respectively. In Figure 4.11 (a) and (d), the phase currents are in phase with the phase voltages due to the pure diode rectifying operation. Though these two currents are identical, the phase voltage in Figure 4.11 (a) is two times of the one in Figure 4.11 (d). This phenomenon is associated with the in-parallel operation and in-series operation of two diode rectifiers in the AC-DC rectifier. Figure 4.11 (b) and (c) show that the firing angle delays the phase current from the phase voltage.

The response of control system demonstrates the extremely nonlinear characteristics. However, in steady state, the electrical torque of generator must be equal to the input mechanical torque. In other words, the dc current should be constant over the averaging period due to the

constant mechanical torque. The relationship of the average of dc current $I_{d,avg}$ and the rotor speed ω_r should fulfill the equation

$$I_{d,avg} = \frac{T_m \omega_r}{V_d} \quad (4.43)$$

The above equation can be proved true by calculating the simulated steady-state values. In addition, an error, which is less than 3 percents of the calculated result, is caused by neglecting the power loss on the winding resistance and power converter.

As we discussed previously, the inner current loop of control system is able to provide the protection for the generator and AC-DC-AC converter system by setting the current reference at the desirable value. If the rated rotor speed is 166 rad/s, the rated dc current can be calculated as

$$I_{d,rated} = \frac{T_m \omega_{r,rated}}{V_d} = \frac{2 \times 166}{250} = 1.33 A \quad (4.44)$$

When the rotor speed steps down from the rated speed, the kinetic energy storied in the rotor starts to release. During the deceleration, the electrical torque T_e is higher than the mechanical torque T_m . As a result, the dc current will exceed the rated value, and the DC-AC inverter may be overloaded. When the rotor speed drops rapidly, the dc current I_d may be much higher than the rated current. In order to prevent the inverter from protection, the dc current has to be limited by the dc current reference. In the simulation, the maximum value of dc current reference is set as $I_{d,max}^* = 1.7 A$, and the rotor speed decreases from 166 rad/s to 122 rad/s and then to 83 rad/s.

Figure 4.12 shows the transient response of control system during the period of generator deceleration. When the rotor speed steps down from 166 rad/s to 122 rad/s, the speed controller generates a dc current reference. The maximum current reference is limited at 1.7 A. Responding to the input of current reference, the current controller generates a signal of firing angle. When the current reference is greater than the feedback current, the firing angle tends to decrease. Due to that, the dc current and the electrical torque increase. Therefore, through the mechanical system, the rotor speed decreases. This transient response of control system ends when the system reaches the next steady state. A similar response can be observed in Figure 4.13 when the rotor speed steps down from 122 rad/s to 83 rad/s.

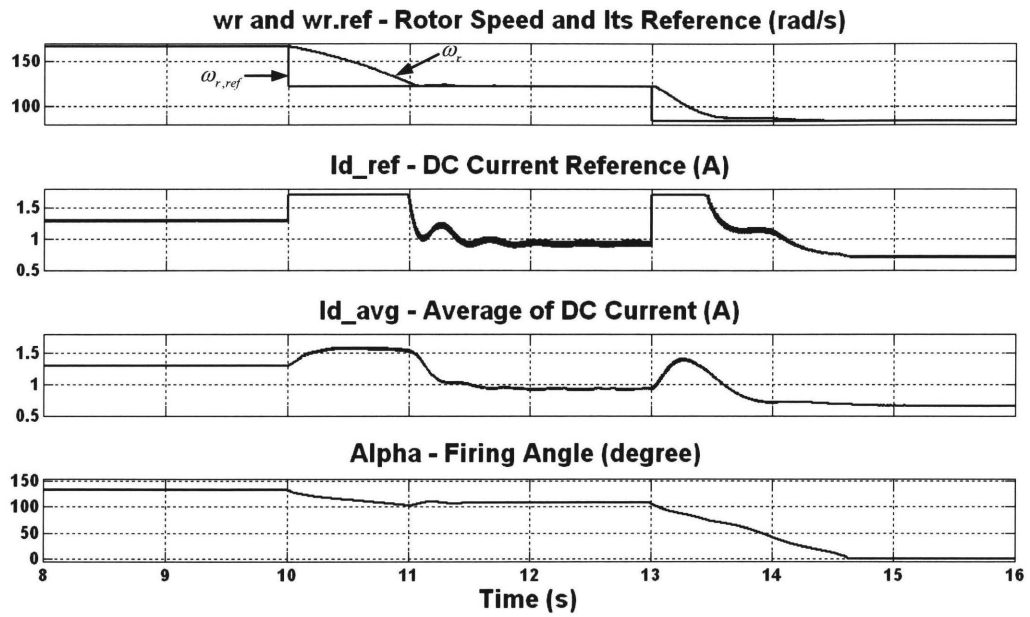


Figure 4.12 Waveforms of control variables when generator decelerates

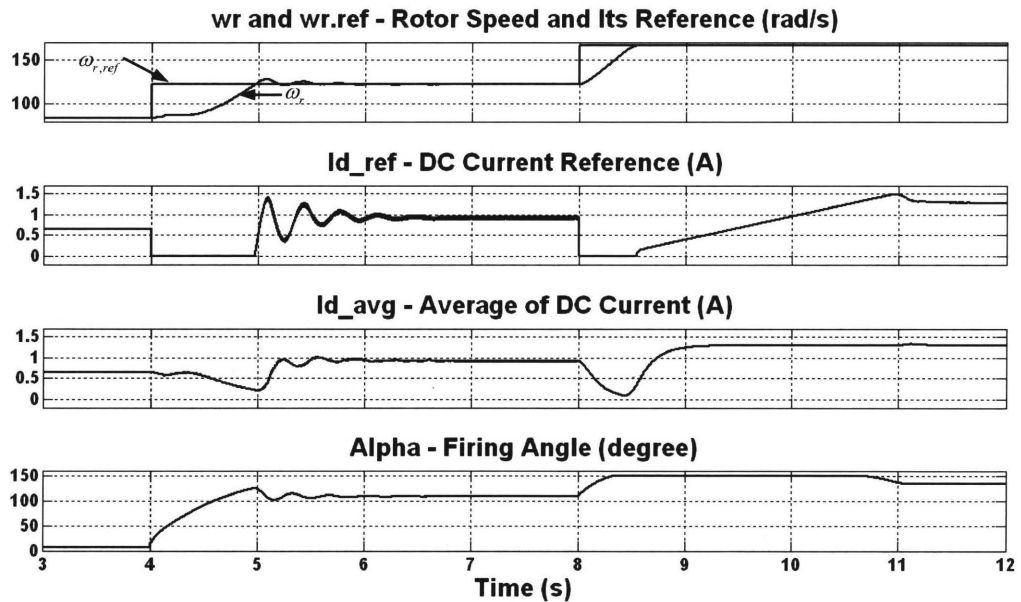


Figure 4.13 Waveforms of control variables when generator accelerates

When the rotor speed reference starts to decrease, the speed controller generates a new dc current reference, of which the minimum value is set zero in the simulation. If the speed

reference is higher than the feedback speed, the current reference is lower than the sensed dc current. Thus, the value of firing angle generated by the current controller tends to increase. The dc current and the electrical torque will decrease. With a constant mechanical torque input, the generator accelerates. This procedure repeats until the next steady state. Figure 4.13 shows the transient responses of control system, when the rotor speed reference changes from 84 rad/s to 122 rad/s and then to 166 rad/s.

4.5. Conclusions

In this chapter, the WECS is modeled using small signal model and transfer functions are developed for regulator design. A cascaded controller consists of speed loop and current loop is proposed to regulate the turbine speed at optimal tip-speed ratio as well as limit the dc link current. The control system is capable to provide the system protection when the wind turbine decelerates. The simulation results show that the control system has excellent dynamic responses. The transient response of control system is relatively slow due to the low crossover frequencies of speed loop and current loop. However, this is sufficient for WECS due to the large inertia of wind turbine. Over all, the objectives of the control system design are achieved.

Chapter 5 Experimental Verification

5.1 Introduction

In this chapter, the thyristor gating technique with the filter design is introduced. Following that, the experimental environment is described. Next, the steady states and the dynamic responses of the system are measured and compared to the simulation results.

5.2 Experimental Setup

A prototype of wind turbine system is constructed to verify the models and designs presented in the previous chapters. The structure of the prototype wind turbine system is shown in Figure 5.1. The DC motor is driven by a wind turbine emulator. The generator rotor speed ω_r , the dc current I_d and the zero crossings of line-to-line terminal voltages are sensed and sent into the rectifier controller, which generates the thyristor gating pulses for the AC-DC rectifier. The dc link is connected to the DC-AC PWM inverter, and the dc-link voltage V_d is regulated constant by the inverter controller. The inverter output voltage is connected to grid through a LC filter.

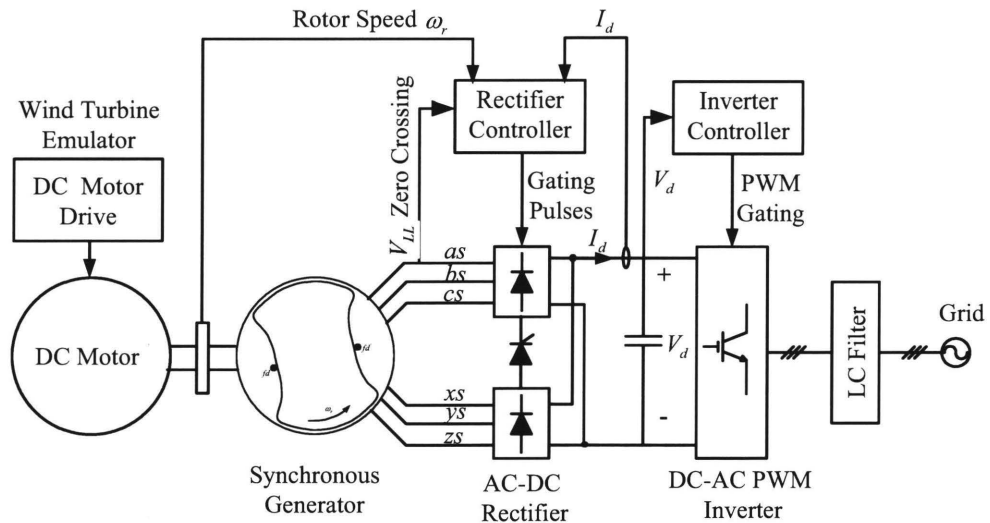


Figure 5.1 Structure of prototype system

The experimental setup of wind turbine system is shown in Figure 5.2 (a). The prototype of wind turbine system consists of the prime mover, which is a DC machine (A), the two-set three-phase windings synchronous generator (B), and the stator windings connection box of the generator (C), which is connected to the AC-DC rectifier.

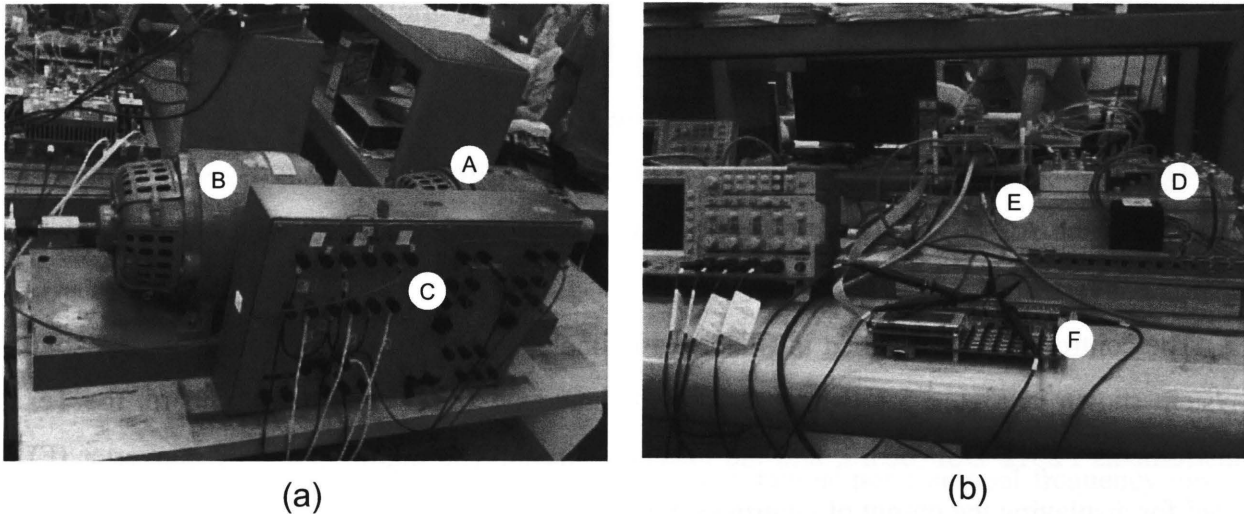


Figure 5.2 Prototype wind turbine system

Table 5.1 Power and control parameters of the synchronous machine

Items	Values	Items	Values
Power	1 KW	Stator leakage inductance	10 mH
Terminal voltage	190 V	Stator winding inductance	55 mH
Excitation current	6 A	Rotor leakage inductance	30 mH
Stator current	5 A	Rotor self-inductance	300 mH
Pole	4	Mutual inductance	90 mH
Rated speed	1610 rpm	Rotor winding resistance	2.3 Ω
		Stator winding resistance	0.6 Ω

In the experimental setup, the two-set three-phase windings synchronous generator (B) is mechanically coupled with the DC machine (A), which is supplied with a dc voltage source. The synchronous machine is converted from a three-phase wound induction machine. The stator winding arrangement is implemented through the stator connection box (C). The rotor of

generator is excited by a constant dc current source, of which the dc current is 6 A. According to the machine analysis presented in Chapter 3, the excitation of rotor is similar with the permanent magnet excitation. Hence, the synchronous generator can be replaced by a permanent magnet synchronous generator in the current experimental setup, and the performance of prototype wind turbine system will not be significantly impacted. The electromechanical parameters of the synchronous machine are provided in Table 5.1.

The generator is connected to the grid through an AC-DC-AC converter system. The DC-AC converter is a PWM voltage source inverter, which is decoupled by a dc-link capacitor with the AC-DC rectifier. As shown in Figure 5.2 (b), the experimental setup related with the thesis consists of the AC-DC rectifier (D), the digital signal processing unit (E) and the digital-to-analog converter (F).

The control system designed in Chapter 4 is implemented on the DSP platform. The control system shown in Figure 5.2 (b) consists of the analogue signal conditioning board, the Texas Instruments F2812 DSP board, and the interface circuit. The digital-to-analog converter (F) is used for displaying the output of control system.

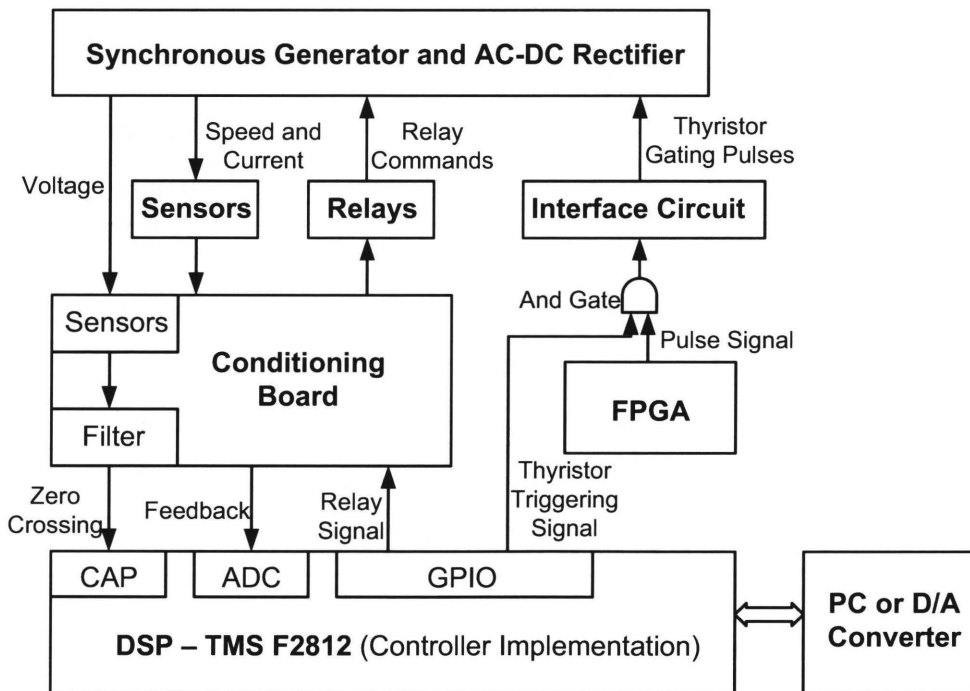


Figure 5.3 Block diagram of control implementation

Figure 5.3 shows the block diagram of control implementation. The generator terminal voltages are sensed and filtered for DSP to detect the zero-crossing instants. The generator speed and dc current are sensed and input to the conditioning board, and then converted into digital signals by the analog-to-digital converter as the feedback signals. The digital signals are received by the DSP and used for the control algorithm implementation. The control algorithm has been transferred onto the DSP platform by using the C programming language. All the computations in the program are carried out using IQ math format provided by the DSP manufacture. After the precise calculation, the DSP outputs the firing signal for thyristors at the desired timing. Through the interface circuit, the thyristors are triggered with the preferable firing angle. Therefore, the entire cycle of control procedure is completely implemented.

5.3 Thyristor Gating Technique

In the AC-DC rectifier, there are six current commutations per electrical frequency circle. During each commutation, in one set of voltage source, two out of three phase terminal voltages are shorted together by the converter diodes through the leakage inductance L_{ls} in each phase. Consider a line-to-line terminal voltage V_{ca} , of which the instant of zero-cross raising is the reference for the firing angle of thyristor T_1 . The line-to-line voltage is short-circuited twice per cycle, resulting in zero voltage during the commutating interval. Besides, conducting of thrystors can cause deep notches in line-to-line voltages. Hence, the false detection of zero crossing will occur.

5.3.1 Low-Pass Filter

In order to have correct detection of the zero crossing, a low-pass Sallen-Key filter is utilized in the analog circuit board to filter out the distortion of sensed line-to-line voltage, as shown in Figure 5.4 (a).

Figure 5.4 (b) shows the circuit that provides the second-order transfer function for the Sallen-Key filter. The analysis of this circuit begins by writing the s-domain nodal equations at the noninverting terminal of the op amp and at the node labeled V_1 .

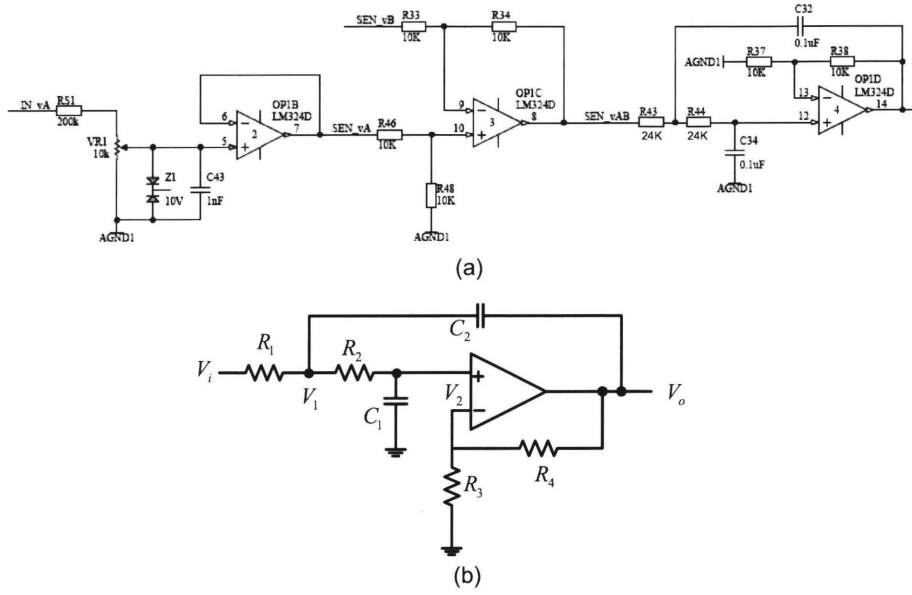


Figure 5.4 Diagrams: (a) Analog Circuit; (b) Sallen-Key Filter.

By applying KCL at node labeled V_1 , V_2 and V_3 , we have

$$\frac{V_1 - V_i}{R_1} + (V_1 - V_o)sC_2 + \frac{V_1 - V_2}{R_2} = 0 \quad (5.1)$$

$$\frac{V_2 - V_1}{R_2} + V_2sC_1 = 0 \quad (5.2)$$

$$\frac{V_2 - V_o}{R_4} + \frac{V_2}{R_3} = 0 \quad (5.3)$$

By solving equations (5.1) – (5.3), the ideal transfer function for the Sallen-Key filter can be written as

$$H(s) = \frac{V_o}{V_i} = \frac{K}{s^2(R_1R_2C_1C_2) + s[R_1C_1 + R_2C_1 + R_1C_2(1-K)] + 1} \quad (5.4)$$

where

$$K = \frac{R_3 + R_4}{R_3} \quad (5.5)$$

The transfer function for a second order low-pass filter can be written in the standard frequency domain equation as

$$H(s) = \frac{V_o}{V_i} = \frac{K}{\frac{s^2}{\omega_c^2} + \frac{s}{Q\omega_c} + 1} \quad (5.6)$$

Where ω_c is the corner frequency, which is the breakpoint between the pass band and stop band, Q is the quality factor and K is the gain for the pass band. Let $s = j\omega$. When $\omega_c \gg \omega$, the transfer function becomes $H(s) = K$; when $\omega = \omega_c$, the transfer function is written as $-jKQ$; when $\omega_c \ll \omega$, the transfer function is reduced to $-K(\frac{\omega_c}{\omega})^2$, and the input signals are attenuated by the square of the frequency ratio.

By comparing equation (5.4) with equation (5.6) and choose $R_1 = R_2 = 24K\Omega$, $R_3 = R_4 = 10K\Omega$ and $C_1 = C_2 = 0.1\mu F$, we have

$$\omega_c = \frac{1}{\sqrt{R_1 R_2 C_1 C_2}} = 416.6 \text{ rad/s} \quad (5.7)$$

$$f_c = \frac{\omega_c}{2\pi} = 66.3 \text{ Hz} \quad (5.8)$$

$$Q = \frac{\sqrt{R_1 R_2 C_1 C_2}}{R_1 C_1 + R_2 C_1 + R_1 C_2 (1 - K)} = 1 \quad (5.9)$$

The f_c is chosen based on the fundamental frequency of the synchronous generator as well as the notch width. In the experiment, the value of f_c , about 60Hz, is enough to filter out the notch and correct the zero crossing detection.

5.3.2 Phase Angle Compensation

The qualitative frequency response to the second-order low-pass filter consists of two separated components: One is that the amplitude of $H(j\omega)$ varies with frequency, which is discussed in the previous discussion, and the other is that the phase angle of $H(j\omega)$ varies with frequency. In Bode diagram, the phase angle plots uses asymptotes. However, in order to obtain a precise result, the phase angle can be calculated by utilizing equation (5.6). By letting $s = j\omega$, equation (5.6) becomes

$$\begin{aligned}
H(j\omega) &= \frac{K}{\frac{(j\omega)^2}{\omega_c^2} + \frac{j\omega}{Q\omega_c} + 1} \\
&= \frac{K \{ [1 - (\frac{\omega}{\omega_c})^2] - j \frac{\omega}{Q\omega_c} \}}{[1 - (\frac{\omega}{\omega_c})^2]^2 - (\frac{\omega}{Q\omega_c})^2} \\
&= \frac{K \{ [1 - (\frac{f}{f_c})^2] - j \frac{f}{Qf_c} \}}{[1 - (\frac{f}{f_c})^2]^2 - (\frac{f}{Qf_c})^2}
\end{aligned} \tag{5.10}$$

Note that $Q = 1$. The phase angle of the transfer function can be written as

$$\theta(j\omega) = -\arctan \frac{f/f_c}{1 - (f/f_c)^2} \tag{5.11}$$

Where, $-180^\circ < \theta(j\omega) < 0^\circ$.

Due to variable speed operation of WES, the electrical frequency f varies. In the experiment, the phase angle is calculated simultaneously when the generator speed changes. Then, the newest calculated phase angle is utilized by the control system to compensate the delay of phase angle. Hence, the thyristor can be triggered at the desired instant.

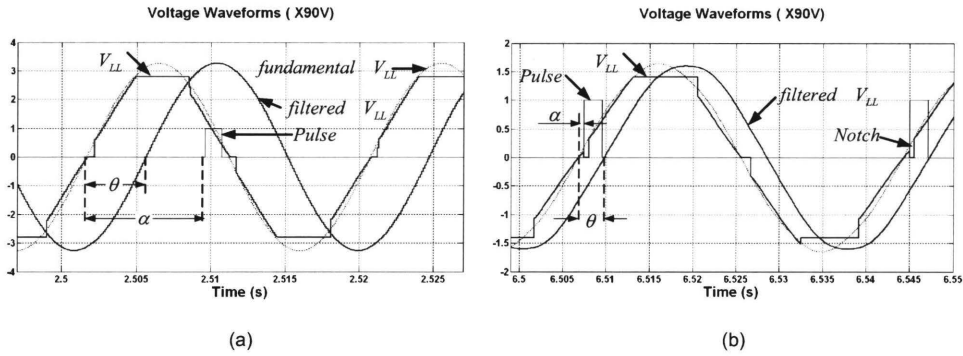


Figure 5.5 Phase angle and firing angle at different electrical speeds

Figure 5.5 shows the delayed phase angle θ and the firing angle α . In Figure 5.5 (a), the rotor speed is 166 rad/s and the firing angle is 140° . In Figure 5.5 (b), the rotor speed is 84 rad/s and the firing angle is 10° . As shown in Figure 5.5, V_{LL} is the sensed terminal line-to-line

voltage. After the filter, the phase angle of filtered V_{LL} is delayed. At this moment, the clear instant of zero crossing is detected by the control system. Meanwhile, the delayed phase angle θ is calculated by the control system according to the feedback signal of rotor speed. Hence, by compensating the angle θ , the real instant of voltage zero crossing is known. Therefore, the control system can send out the triggering pulses for thyristors based on the desired firing angle α . It has to be mentioned that the correct firing angle α is delayed one electrical cycle when θ is bigger than α .

5.4 Experimental Test

The experiment test is carried out to verify the theory and design suggested in the previous chapters, by using the experimental setup described in the Section 5.2. The prototype wind turbine system is verified under the constant torque condition. Both the steady-state results and the transient responds of the prototype system are verified in the test.

The constant torque is provided by the separate-excitation DC motor coupled with the generator. The nameplate of the DC motor suggests the rated parameters of the DC motor in Table 5.2.

According to that, the rated rotor angular velocity $\omega_{r, rated}$ can be calculated as

$$\omega_{r, rated} = 2\pi \frac{n_{rated}}{60} = 183.2 rad / s \quad (5.12)$$

Table 5.2 Rated parameters of the DC motor

Items	Values
Rated armature voltage, V_{rated}	125V
Rated armature current, I_{rated}	8A
Rated rotor speed, n_{rated}	1750rpm

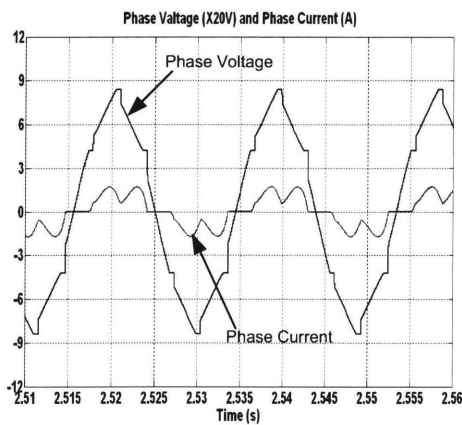
From the experimental measurement, the efficiency of the DC motor η is equal to 95%. Therefore, the rated torque of the DC motor is obtained as

$$T_{rated} = \frac{\eta V_{rated} I_{rated}}{\omega_{r, rated}} = 5.2 Nm \quad (5.13)$$

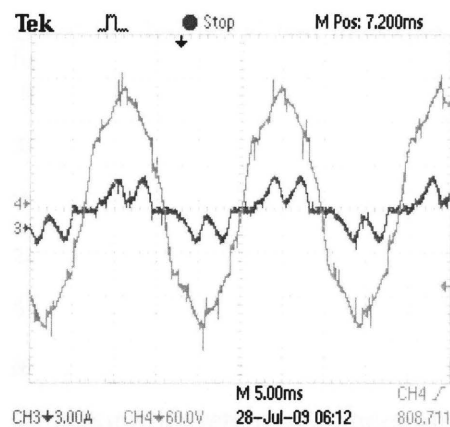
Hence, by maintaining the armature current of the DC motor at the rated value, the synchronous generator is supplied with the constant torque, which is equal to 5.2Nm.

5.4.1 Steady-State Results

In the steady state, as in previous experimental results in Chapter 3, the dc-link voltage is regulated at 250 volts by the DC-AC converter. By setting the rotor speed references as 167rad/s , 128rad/s and 87rad/s for the control system, the wind turbine system operates in three steady states. During the steady state, the system variables including the dc-link current I_d , the firing angle α and the rotor angular velocity ω_r are measured and compared with the theoretical values in Table 5.3. In addition, the waveforms of generator phase voltage and current are plotted and shown in Figure 5.6 – 5.8.



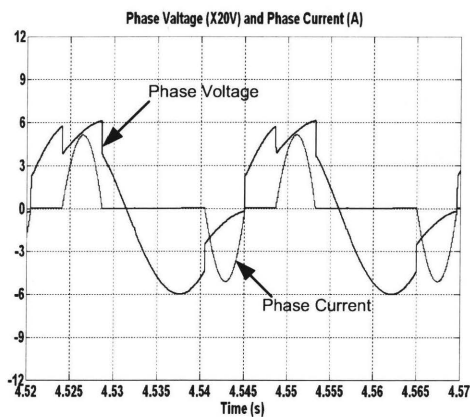
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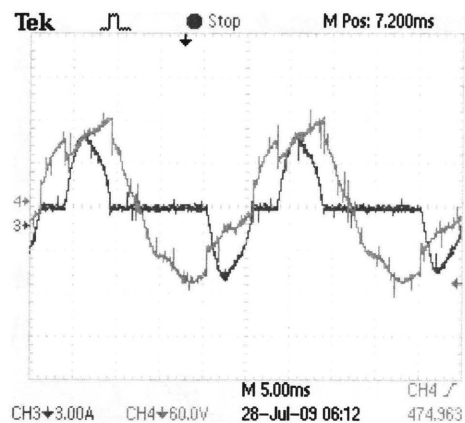
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Figure 5.6 Phase voltage and current of generator when $\omega_r = 167\text{rad/s}$:

(a) Simulation waveforms; (b) Experimental waveforms



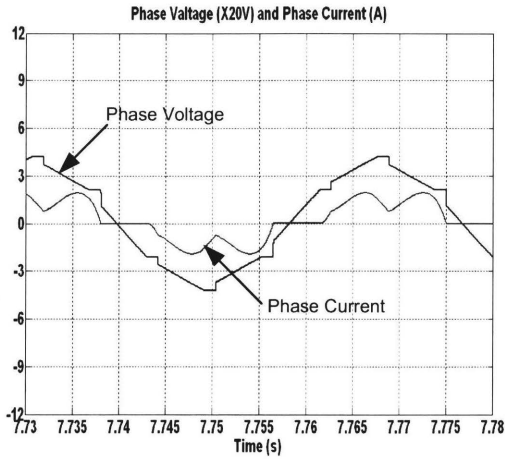
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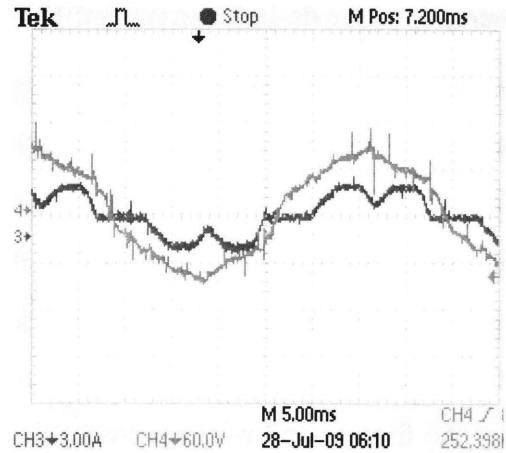
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Figure 5.7 Phase voltage and current of generator when $\omega_r = 128\text{rad/s}$:

(a) Simulation waveforms; (b) Experimental waveforms



(a)



(b)

Figure 5.8 Phase voltage and current of generator when $\omega_r = 87\text{rad/s}$:

(a) Simulation waveforms; (b) Experimental waveforms

Table 5.3 Comparison of Simulation and Experimental results

Items		Simulation	Experimental
Rotor angular speed $\omega_r = 167\text{rad/s}$	Firing angle, α	150°	150°
	DC-link current, I_d	2.4A	2.4A
Rotor angular speed $\omega_r = 128\text{rad/s}$	Firing angle, α	100°	86°
	DC-link current, I_d	2.0A	2.0A
Rotor angular speed $\omega_r = 87\text{rad/s}$	Firing angle, α	0°	0°
	DC-link current, I_d	1.6A	1.6A

It has to be mentioned that the power loss in the system is high when the generator operates at the rated speed. Ideally, the real power output by the AC-DC rectifier should be equal to the input mechanical power. The input mechanical power P_{in} can be expressed as

$$P_{in} = T_m \omega_r \quad (5.14)$$

In the above equation, T_m is the mechanical torque input by the DC motor. In addition, the output electrical power is written as

$$P_{out} = I_d V_d \quad (5.15)$$

Where, I_d is the dc-link current and V_d is the dc-link voltage, which is fixed at 250 V.

From equations (5.14) and (5.15), if the input torque is constant, the dc current I_d should be reduced to half when the generator decelerates for 167rad/s to 87rad/s . However, in Table 5.3, this phenomenon is not observed. In reality, the power losses will occur in both the AC-DC rectifier and the generator. By neglecting the conducting loss in the converter, the power losses in the generator includes the stator copper losses, the stator iron losses and the rotational losses. Except the stator copper losses, the other losses is significantly affected by the generator speed, typically the friction and windage losses. In other words, the power losses become higher when the generator speed increases. The rotational coefficient F can be roughly calculated by neglecting the copper losses and using the equation

$$(T_m - F \omega_r) \omega_r = I_d V_d \quad (5.16)$$

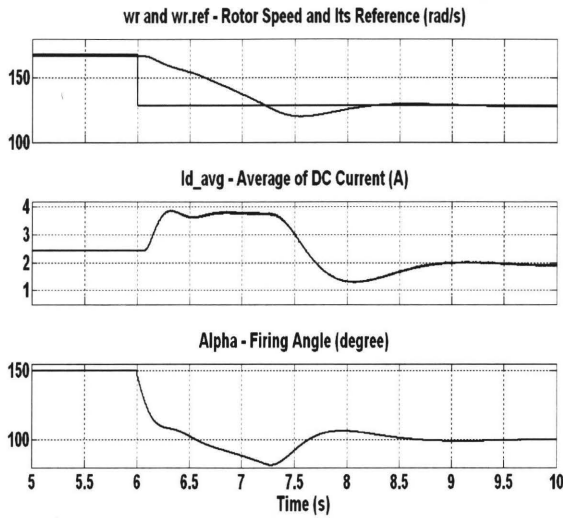
According to the experimental data, the rotational coefficient F is equal to $0.009\text{Nm}\cdot\text{s}$. The simulation results confirm that.

5.4.2 Transient Response Test

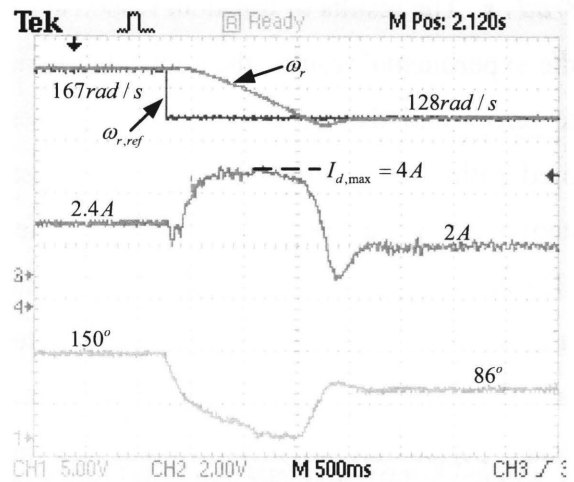
In the wind turbine system, the speed control system often must respond to large changes in the speed reference value due to the swift changes of wind speed. For large step changes of speed reference, the control system must reject the disturbances and the overall system is nonlinear. The nonlinearity comes about the wind turbine output torque, which is a square function of wind speed. Additional nonlinearity is introduced by the dc current limit designed in the inner current loop and the generator terminal voltage. The control system proposed in Chapter 4 is designed in a small-signal analysis. To evaluate the adequacy of the control system, simulations on computer and experiments are carried out under large-signal conditions to study the transient response of control system.

The input mechanical torque is set constant in the simulations and experiment. Actually, due to the rotational losses, the input torque to the generator is not constant. The input torque of generator increases with the decreasing of generator speed. This is opposite to the characteristic of wind turbine output torque. However, in this thesis, the input torque is not the control

subjective for the control system. The transient responses of control system are studied with large-steps of speed reference when the input torque is constant.

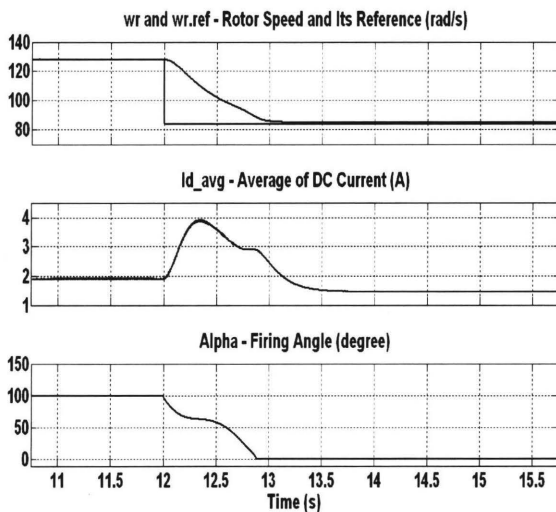


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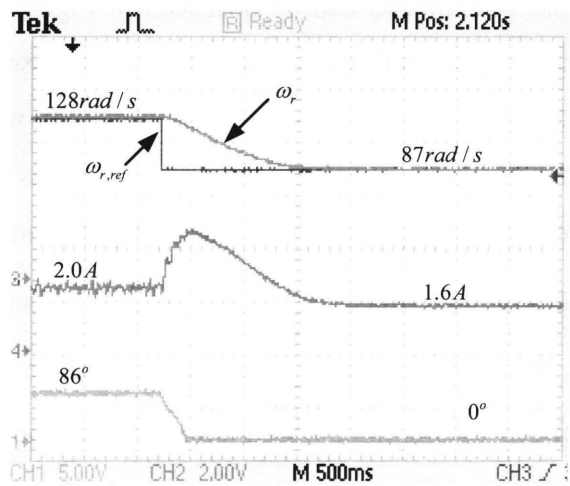


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Figure 5.9 System transient responses when the speed reference steps from 167 rad/s to 128 rad/s : (a) Simulation results; (b) Experimental results



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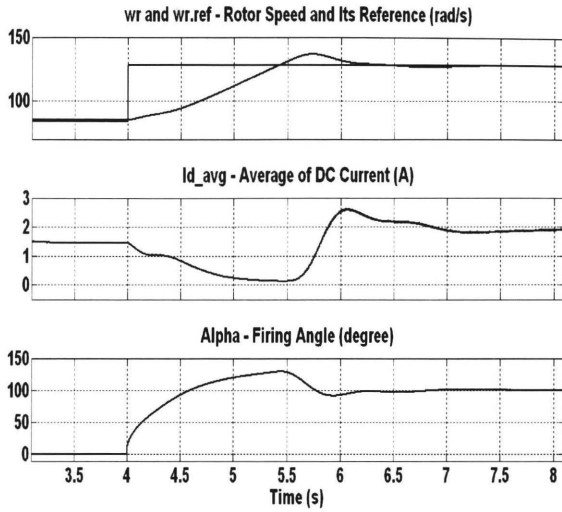
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Figure 5.10 System transient responses when the speed reference steps from 128 rad/s to 87 rad/s : (a) Simulation results; (b) Experimental results

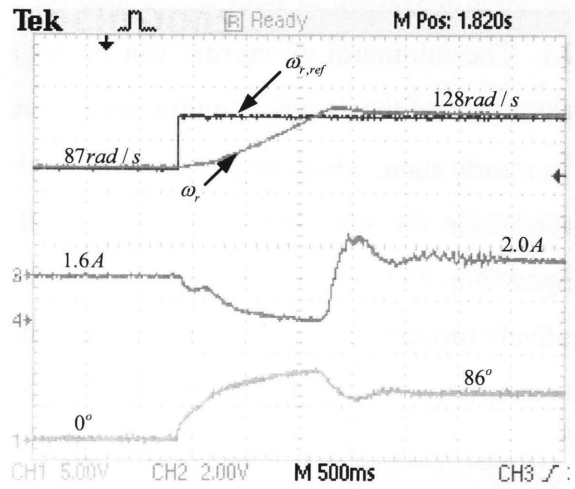
Figure 5.9 shows the dynamic changes of the generator rotor speed ω_r , the average dc current I_d and the firing angle α when the rotor speed reference steps down from 167rad/s to 128rad/s . The results of transient response from simulation and experiment are highly matched. In the experimental results, the controlled variables, rotor speed and dc current, have zero steady state errors and desirable dynamic responses. During the transient period, the dc current is limited within $4A$ to protect the overall system. It can be said that the objectives of the control system design are achieved and verified by the experimental results.

However, there are some minor differences between simulation results and experimental results in details. The differences are associated with two major reasons. One is that the accurate value of the system inertia cannot be obtained in the simulation. Resulting from that, the transient periods are slightly different and the PI parameters of speed control loop have to be tuned in the experiment. The other one is that the low-pass filters applied in the simulation and the experiment for the dc current are different. In the simulation, a continuous first-order low-pass filter is used to obtain the average value of the dc current. Differently, in the experiment, a discrete moving-average filter is utilized for the dc current. Therefore, during the transient period, the shape of dc current curve in experiment differs from the one in simulation. The similar phenomena can be observed in Figure 5.10, which shows the transient responses when the rotor speed reference steps down from 128rad/s to 87rad/s .

Note that the firing angle α is extremely nonlinear in this system. According to the analysis in the previous chapters, the value of α is determined by the multi variables such as the generator air-gap voltage E_q varied by the rotor speed, the stator leakage inductance L_{ls} of the generator, the reduce volt-radian area A_u caused by current commutations, the dc-link current I_d and the dc-link voltage V_d . The simulation model of the generator is established on some idealized assumption, which approximates the real conditions of generator such as flux linkage coupling and linear magnetic system. In the analysis of the AC-DC rectifier operation, the dc current is assumed purely constant and, based on that, the dc voltage drop is calculated. Those approximations lead the firing angle α in simulation deviate from the one in experiment. Fortunately, this deviation does not significantly affect the system performance.

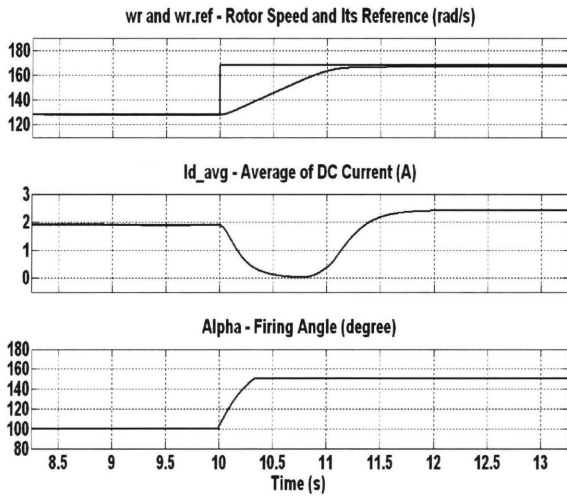


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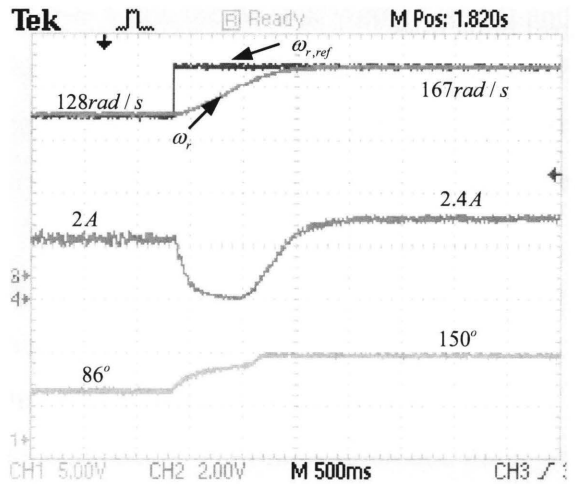


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Figure 5.11 System transient responses when the speed reference steps up from 87rad/s to 128rad/s : (a) Simulation results; (b) Experimental results



(a)



(b)

Figure 5.12 System transient responses when the speed reference steps up from 128rad/s to 167rad/s : (a) Simulation results; (b) Experimental results

Figure 5.11 and Figure 5.12 show the transient responses when the speed reference steps up from 87rad/s to 128rad/s and from 128rad/s to 167rad/s , respectively. In order to accelerate the generator during the transient period, the dc current I_d is regulated to decrease

by the control system. In both the simulation and the experiment, the minimum dc current is set as $0A$. The minimum dc current can be set at a value higher than $0A$. Hence, the generator acceleration and the dc power output are smoothened.

In steady state, when the firing angle α changes from 150° to 0° , the rotor speed cannot be reduced from the maximum speed to half of the maximum speed. In reality, the rotor speed changes from 167rad/s to 87rad/s . This is caused by the effect of rotational losses, which is negatively proportional to the rotor speed, and the nonlinearity of the generator terminal voltage. The quantitative analysis of this phenomenon is completely impractical.

5.5 Conclusion

The thyristor gating technique is successfully implemented in the experiment to fire the thyristors with variable electrical frequencies. The experimental results of the prototype wind turbine system support the theories applied to develop the simulation models. The performance of the prototype system confirms the design of control system and proves the achievement of control objectives.

Chapter 6 Conclusions

6.1 Conclusions

In this thesis, a new rectifier is adopted in the wind energy conversion system. The controller and rectifier design are developed and verified by experiments. The prototype wind turbine system consists of a two-set three-phase windings synchronous generator, a novel AC-DC rectifier, a constant-voltage dc-link inverter and a speed control system.

The novel AC-DC rectifier is proposed to boost the terminal voltage of wind turbine generator at low speeds. When the firing angles of thyristors are changed, the output dc average current of the rectifier varies accordingly when being connected to an inverter. Hence, the energy from the voltage source to the dc link can be controlled by controlling the firing angles of thyristors. The operation of the AC-DC rectifier is analyzed and the model of the rectifier is developed to verify the analysis. In the analysis of the rectifier operation, the dc current is assumed constant or continuous, which may not be true when the dc-link voltage is stiff and the dc current is discontinuous. Therefore, the formulas developed according to the assumption have the limitation. However, in most wind power applications, the source impedance is relatively high and results in a continuous dc current. Besides, the results of simulation show that the error of theory is acceptable.

In order to supply the AC-DC rectifier, a two-set three-phase windings synchronous generator is converted from a conventional 3-phase machine through winding rearrangement. The winding arrangement introduced in this chapter provides an economical solution. The simulation model for the “new” generator is developed under synchronous reference frame and is derived from the conventional synchronous machine model. With a setup of experimental environment, the model is verified by comparison of the waveforms of line-to-line voltages, line currents and phase voltages. The small deviations between the simulation results and the experimental results are mostly associated with the absence of the saturation in the model.

The feedback control system is designed in cascade structure. The transfer functions for regulators design are obtained from the small signal model. Within the cascaded control system, the outer speed loop regulates the generator speed and achieves the optimal tip speed ratio (TSR) control, and the dc current is regulated by the inner current loop. The simulation results show

that the control system has excellent dynamic responses and is capable to limit the dc current during the machine deceleration for protecting the overall system. The low crossover frequencies of the current loop and the speed loop result in the relatively slow transient response of the control system. However, it is sufficient for wind energy conversion systems due to the high inertia of wind turbine. Over all, the objectives of the control system design are achieved.

In the experiment, the thyristor gating technique for triggering at variable electrical frequencies is successfully developed and implemented. The prototype wind turbine system is able to operate at variable speeds within the range between the rated speed and the half of the rated speed. The theories applied to develop the simulation models are confirmed with the performance of the prototype system.

6.2 Major Contributions

The novel AC-DC rectifier proposed in this thesis provides an alternative solution for the generator-side converter in a small-scale direct-driven variable-speed wind turbine system. The low cost, high efficiency and simple control of the AC-DC rectifier improves the cost-efficiency of the wind turbine system. Besides, the winding arrangement method insures the feasibility of two-set three-phase windings synchronous generator. The practical solution in this thesis is potential to improve the competitive capability of wind power in the electricity market. The main contribution of the thesis is as following:

1. Analysis the rectifier operation and develop the mathematical model for design and simulation.
2. The mathematical model for two-set three-phase windings synchronous generator is developed. The model is verified by the experiment.
3. A two-loop control system is proposed to regulate the wind turbine speed to achieve the maximum power point tracking. The parameter design of the regulators is introduced.
4. Experimental results obtained from a small prototype in the lab verify the theoretical analysis. Simulation and experimental results are compared to valid the design of the control system.

6.3 Future Research Work

Due to the operation of diode rectifiers, which are consisted in the proposed AC-DC rectifier, the generator-side current waveforms are not sinusoidal. The distorted current causes torque ripple in the generator, which can reduce the life of shaft connecting turbine and generator and becomes a big concern for large-scale wind turbines. Besides, in some cases, the discontinuous dc current causes the inaccuracy of the theories applied in this thesis. Owing to these, further studies in the harmonics analysis and control system stability are suggested.

The research of the wind energy conversion system in this thesis does not involve the study of the DC-AC inverter. The dc-link voltage is assumed constant for the analysis. The research of grid connection is absent in this thesis. For the integrity of wind energy conversion system, the further research should involve grid-side inverter and consider the stability of entire system.

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Appendices

Appendix A: Simulation Blocks

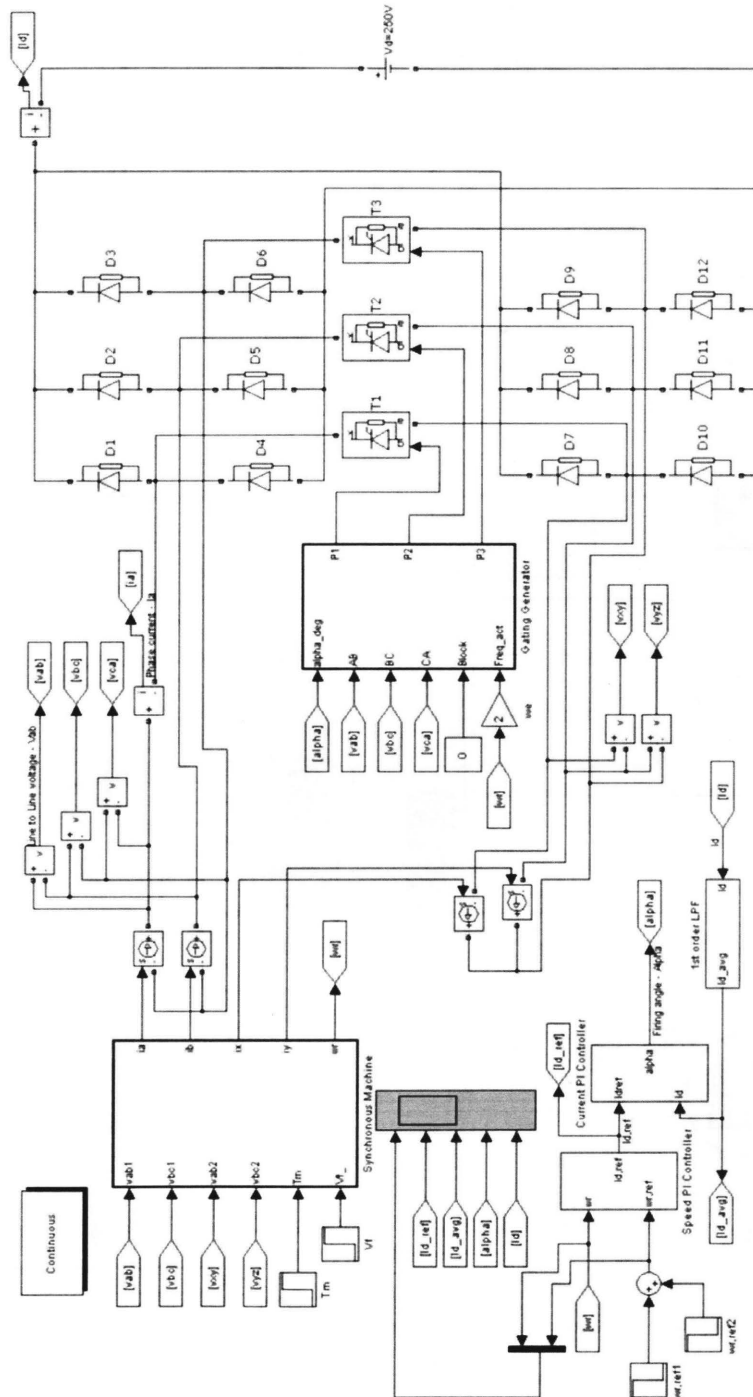


Figure A-1 Simulation model of wind turbine system with Matlab/Simulink

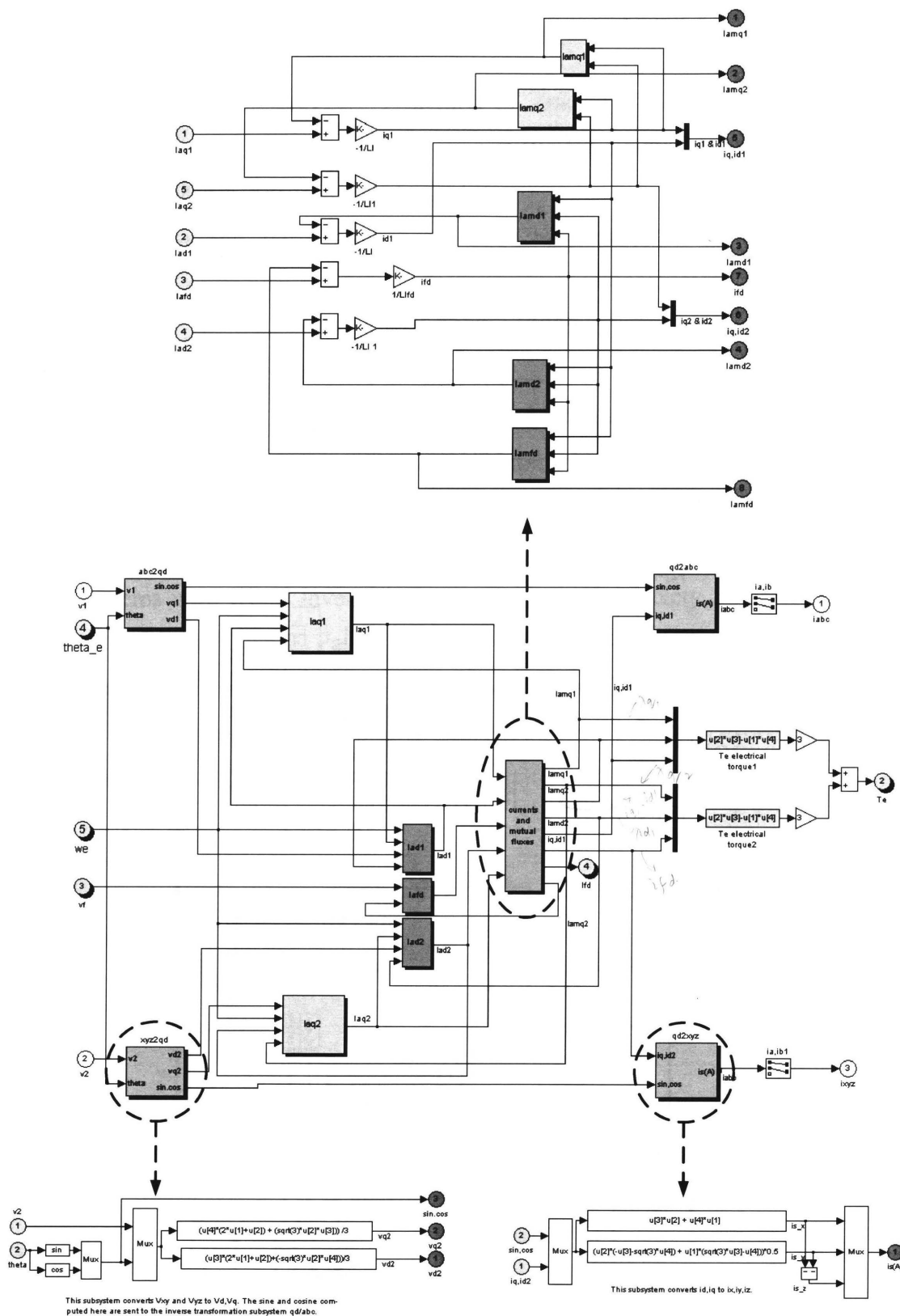


Figure A-2 Simulation model of two-set three-phase windings synchronous generator

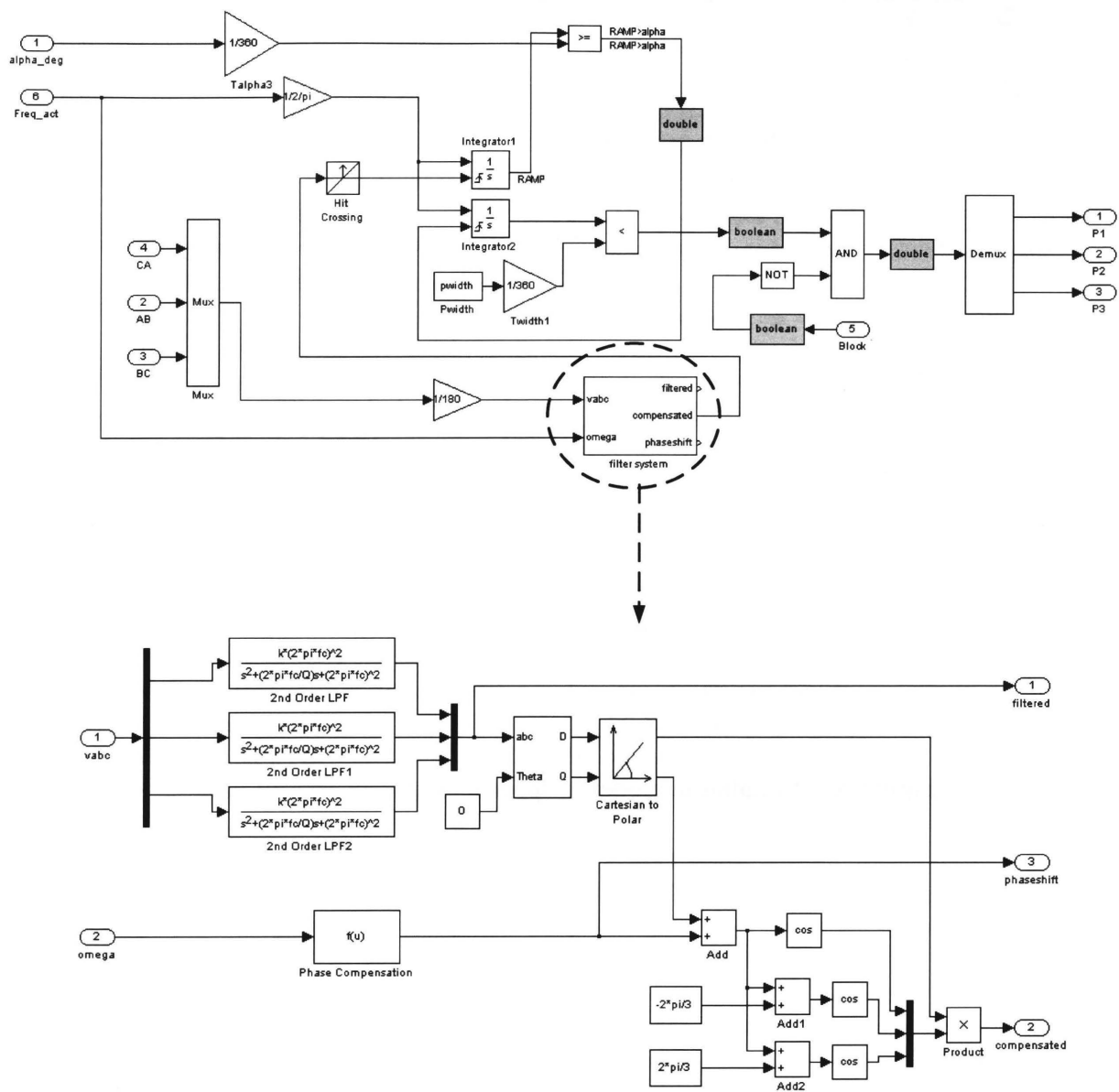
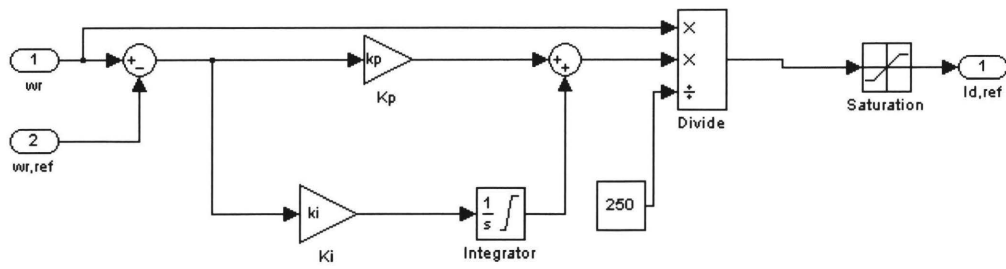
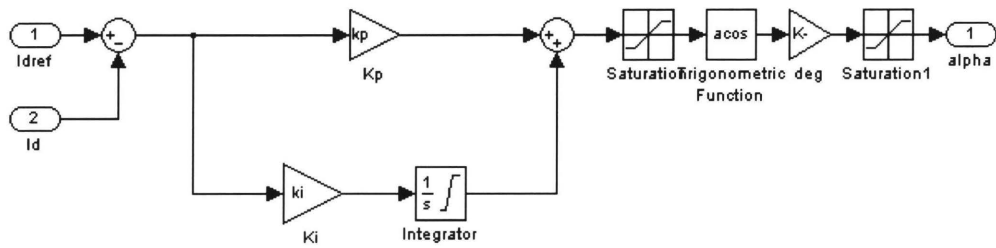


Figure A-3 Simulation model of thyristor gating



(a) Speed control loop



(b) Current control loop

Figure A-4 Simulation model of speed and current control loop

Appendix B: DSP Program Code

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    Filename:   rectifier_wind.c
    Description: Main function file of rectifier for wind
    Processor:  TMS320F2812 DSP (Fixed point)
    History:    20090325 – Jiacheng Wang, Initial setup,
                20090520 – Zhenhan Luo, Modified
*****/

#include <DSP281x_Device.h> // DSP281x Headerfile Include
File
#include <DSP281x_Examples.h> // DSP281x Examples Include
File
#include "FPGA_CSI_F2812.h"
#include "IQmathLib.h"
#include "rectifier_wind.h"
#include "adc.h"
#include "dac.h"

/*----- global variables -----*/
Uint16 SCR_firing_ON = 1; // flag for enabling firing signals
Uint16 relay_ON = 1; // flag for turning ON relays
Uint16 control_ON = 1; // flag for enabling closeloop control
/* variables for calculating generator speed */
Uint16 cap1_value[2], cap2_value[2], cap3_value[2];
Uint16 firing_flag_T2 = 0, firing_flag_T3 = 0, firing_flag_T1 = 0; //
flags
Uint16 pulse_len_count = 4000; // firing signal width
_iq23 gen_speed_cal = 0; // generator speed calculated from ZCs
_iq23 gen_speed_encoder = 0; // generator speed from encoder
Uint16 enc_spd_index = 0; // variable for encoder speed cal
Uint16 gen_speed_threshold = 18; // no firing below this value
/* for encoder speed detection */
Uint16 T2CNT_NEW, T2CNT_OLD;
_iq23 alpha = _IQ23(150); // firing angle in degrees
_iq23 alpha_offset = _IQ23(-5); // for compensating filter delay
error
_iq23 alpha_array[8192];
Uint16 alpha_count = 0;
Uint16 speed_loop_ON = 1, single_loop_control = 0;
_iq23 speed_ratio, speed_ratio_3; // sampling freq over gen speed
_iq23 gen_speed_ref = _IQ23(36), gen_speed_err, gen_speed_err_i =
0;
_iq28 kp_speed = _IQ28(0.0002), ki_speed = _IQ28(0.0005);
_iq23 idc_top, idc_bottom; // sensed dc currents from LEM
_iq23 idc_array[1024], idc_avg, idc_avg_3, idc_mav, idc_mav_3;
Uint16 idc_count = 0;

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_iq23 idc_ref = 0, idc_ref_new = 0, idc_err, idc_err_i = 0;
Uint16 idc_err_choice = 2;
_iq23 idc_min = 0, idc_max = _IQ23(8), idc_step = _IQ23(5); // limits
_iq28 kp_idc = _IQ28(0.0000027), ki_idc = _IQ28(0.0004);

_iq23 alpha_ref, alpha_ref_new;
_iq23 alpha_min = 0, alpha_max = _IQ23(160), alpha_step =
_IQ23(50);
_iq23 cos_alpha_ref, cos_alpha_min = _IQ23(-0.939), cos_alpha_max
= _IQ23(1);

/* for DAC output */
int32 dac_value = 0;

void main(void)
{
    Uint16 i;
    /* Step 1. Initialize System Control */
    InitSysCtrl();
    /* Initialize the Xintf clocks */
    init_XintfClocks();
    EALLOW;
    SysCtrlRegs.HISPCP.all = 0x0; // HSPCLK = SYSCLKOUT/1
    EDIS;
    /* Step 2. Initialize GPIO */
    init_GPIO();
    /* Step 3. Clear all interrupts and initialize PIE vector table */
    DINT; // Disable CPU interrupts
    /*
    * Initialize the PIE control registers to their default state.
    * The default state is all PIE interrupts disabled and flags are
    cleared.
    */
    InitPieCtrl();
    IER = 0x0000; // Disable CPU interrupts
    IFR = 0x0000; // Clear all CPU interrupt flags
    InitPieVectTable(); // Initialize the PIE vector table
    /* Interrupts used are re-mapped to ISR functions */
    EALLOW;
    //PieVectTable.PDPINTA = &pd_pinta_isr;
    //PieVectTable.XINT1 = &xint1_isr;
    PieVectTable.ADCINT = &adc_isr;

    #if (USE_ZC_SPEED)

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PieVectTable.T2PINT = &timer2p_isr;
PieVectTable.CAPINT1 = &cap1_isr;
PieVectTable.CAPINT2 = &cap2_isr;
PieVectTable.CAPINT3 = &cap3_isr;
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    PieVectTable.T1PINT = &timer1p_isr;
#endif

PieVectTable.CMP4INT = &cmp4_isr;
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PieVectTable.CAPINT4 = &cap4_isr;
PieVectTable.CAPINT5 = &cap5_isr;
PieVectTable.CAPINT6 = &cap6_isr;
EDIS;

/* Step 4. Initialize all the device peripherals */
init_FPGA();
init_interrupt();

#if(USE_ZC_SPEED)
    init_eva_capture();
#endif

init_evb_capture();
init_evb_compare();
init_ADC();
init_ev_timers();

//Init_QEP();

/* Step 5. User specific code, enable interrupts */
//EvaRegs.EVAIFRA.bit.PDPINTA = 1; // Clear PDPINTA flag
//EvaRegs.EVAIMRA.bit.PDPINTA = 1; // Enable PDPINTA
Interrupt
//PieCtrlRegs.PIEIER1.bit.INTx1 = 1; // Enable PDPINTA
//PieCtrlRegs.PIEIER1.bit.INTx4 = 1; // Enable XINT1
//PieCtrlRegs.PIEIER1.bit.INTx5 = 1; // Enable XINT2

PieCtrlRegs.PIEIER1.bit.INTx6 = 1; // Enable ADCINT: GRP1
IRQ6

#if(USE_ZC_SPEED)
    PieCtrlRegs.PIEIER3.bit.INTx1 = 1; // Enable Timer2 Period INT
    PieCtrlRegs.PIEIER3.bit.INTx5 = 1; // Enable EVA CAP1INT

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    PieCtrlRegs.PIEIER3.bit.INTx6 = 1; // Enable EVA CAP2INT
    PieCtrlRegs.PIEIER3.bit.INTx7 = 1; // Enable EVA CAP3INT
#else
    PieCtrlRegs.PIEIER2.bit.INTx4 = 1; // Enable Timer1 Period INT
#endif

    PieCtrlRegs.PIEIER4.bit.INTx1 = 1; // Enable EVB CMP4INT
    PieCtrlRegs.PIEIER4.bit.INTx2 = 1; // Enable EVB CMP5INT
    PieCtrlRegs.PIEIER4.bit.INTx3 = 1; // Enable EVB CMP6INT

    PieCtrlRegs.PIEIER5.bit.INTx1 = 1; // Enable Timer4 Period INT
    PieCtrlRegs.PIEIER5.bit.INTx5 = 1; // Enable EVB CAP4INT
    PieCtrlRegs.PIEIER5.bit.INTx6 = 1; // Enable EVB CAP5INT
    PieCtrlRegs.PIEIER5.bit.INTx7 = 1; // Enable EVB CAP6INT

#if(USE_ZC_SPEED)
    IER |= (M_INT1|M_INT3|M_INT4|M_INT5); // Enable CPU
    INT1,3,4,5;
#else
    IER |= (M_INT1|M_INT2|M_INT4|M_INT5); // Enable CPU
    INT1,2,4,5;
#endif

    EINT; // Enable Global interrupt INTM
    ERTM; // Enable Global realtime interrupt DBGM

/* Step 6. AD calibration and system operation initialization */
AD_bias_temp();

/* DAC initialization */
init_dac();
dac_preset();
dac_value = 0x7FFF;
(*SEND_COMM_CODE) = 0x590F;
(*SEND_COMM_CODE) = 0x69F0;
for (i = 0; i < 16; i++)
    dac_out(dac_value, i);
dac_latch();

/* initialization done, enter main loop */
while(1)
{
    if (relay_ON) {
        Close_Relay(3);
        Close_Relay(4);
    }
}

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    } else {
        Open_Relay(3);
        Open_Relay(4);
    }

    dac_value = _IQ18int(_IQ18mpyIQX(_IQ23(80), 23,
gen_speed_cal, 23));
    dac_out(dac_value, 0);
    dac_latch();
}

}

/*****
Function:    void gen_speed_control()

Description: Dual loop PI controller for generator speed
              control
*****/
void gen_speed_control(void)
{
    _iq23 temp;
    _iq30 delta_angle;
    int32 delta_num;

    /* speed control loop */
    if (single_loop_control)
    {
        gen_speed_err = gen_speed_ref - gen_speed_cal;

        gen_speed_err_i += _IQ23mpyIQX(ki_speed, 28, gen_speed_err,
23);

        if (gen_speed_err_i > alpha_max) gen_speed_err_i = alpha_max;
        if (gen_speed_err_i < alpha_min) gen_speed_err_i = alpha_min;

        alpha_ref_new =
            _IQ23mpyIQX(kp_speed, 28, gen_speed_err, 23) +
gen_speed_err_i;
    }
    else // dual loop
    {
        gen_speed_err = -(gen_speed_ref - gen_speed_cal);

        gen_speed_err_i += _IQ23mpyIQX(ki_speed, 28, gen_speed_err,
23);

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        if (gen_speed_err_i > idc_max) gen_speed_err_i = idc_max;
        if (gen_speed_err_i < idc_min) gen_speed_err_i = idc_min;

        if (speed_loop_ON)
        {
            /* idc_ref = gen_speed_err * 2*PI*Gen_Speed / Vdc */
            idc_ref_new =
                _IQ23mpyIQX(kp_speed, 28, gen_speed_err, 23) +
gen_speed_err_i;
            idc_ref_new = _IQ23mpy(_IQ23(PIx2), idc_ref_new);
            idc_ref_new = _IQ23mpyIQX(idc_ref_new, 23,
_IQ30(INV_VDC), 30);
            idc_ref_new = _IQ23mpy(gen_speed_cal, idc_ref_new);

            if (idc_ref_new > idc_max) idc_ref_new = idc_max;
            if (idc_ref_new < idc_min) idc_ref_new = idc_min;

            if ( (idc_ref_new > idc_ref) &&
                ((idc_ref_new - idc_ref) > idc_step) )
                idc_ref += idc_step;
            else if ( (idc_ref_new < idc_ref) &&
                ((idc_ref - idc_ref_new) > idc_step) )
                idc_ref -= idc_step;
            else
                idc_ref = idc_ref_new;
        }

        switch (idc_err_choice) // choice of idc feedback
        {
            case 0: // instantaneous idc
                idc_err = -(idc_ref - idc_array[idc_count]);
                break;
            case 1: // average per cycle
                idc_err = -(idc_ref - idc_avg);
                break;
            case 2: // average per 1/3 cycle
                idc_err = -(idc_ref - idc_avg_3);
                break;
            case 3: // moving average per cycle
                idc_err = -(idc_ref - idc_mav);
                break;
            case 4: // moving average per 1/3 cycle
                idc_err = -(idc_ref - idc_mav_3);
                break;
            default:
                idc_err = -(idc_ref - idc_avg);

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        break;
    }

    idc_err = - idc_err;

    idc_err_i += _IQ23mpyIQX(ki_idc, 28, idc_err, 23);

    if (idc_err_i > cos_alpha_max) idc_err_i = cos_alpha_max;
    if (idc_err_i < cos_alpha_min) idc_err_i = cos_alpha_min;

    cos_alpha_ref = _IQ23mpyIQX(kp_idc, 28, idc_err, 23) +
    idc_err_i;
    if (cos_alpha_ref > cos_alpha_max) cos_alpha_ref =
    cos_alpha_max;
    if (cos_alpha_ref < cos_alpha_min) cos_alpha_ref =
    cos_alpha_min;
    alpha_ref_new = _IQ23mpy(_IQ23acos(cos_alpha_ref),
    _IQ23(57.29578));
}

if (alpha_ref_new > alpha_max) alpha_ref_new = alpha_max;
if (alpha_ref_new < alpha_min) alpha_ref_new = alpha_min;

if (control_ON) // apply to alpha
{
    if ( (alpha_ref_new > alpha_ref) &&
        ((alpha_ref_new - alpha_ref) > alpha_step) )
        alpha_ref += alpha_step;
    else if ( (alpha_ref_new < alpha_ref) &&
        ((alpha_ref - alpha_ref_new) > alpha_step) )
        alpha_ref -= alpha_step;
    else
        alpha_ref = alpha_ref_new;

    /* apply firing instant to compare register and set firing flag */
    if (firing_flag_T2)
        EvbRegs.CMPR4 = EvbRegs.CMPR4 + (int16)delta_num;
    if (firing_flag_T3)
        EvbRegs.CMPR5 = EvbRegs.CMPR5 + (int16)delta_num;
    if (firing_flag_T1)
        EvbRegs.CMPR6 = EvbRegs.CMPR6 + (int16)delta_num;

    alpha = alpha_ref;
}
}

```

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#if (USE_ZC_SPEED)

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/*****

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Function:    interrupt void timer2p_isr(void)

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Description: Timer 2 period ISR, 20KHz for ADC
              sampling

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*****/

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```

interrupt void timer2p_isr(void)

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{
    EvaRegs.EVAIFRB.bit.T2PINT = 1; // Clear T2PINT flag
    PieCtrlRegs.PIEACK.all = PIEACK_GROUP3; // Acknowledge
    interrupt to PIE
}

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#else

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/*****

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Function:    interrupt void timer1p_isr(void)

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Description: Timer 1 period ISR, 20KHz for ADC
              sampling

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*****/

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interrupt void timer1p_isr(void)

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{
    EvaRegs.EVAIFRA.bit.T1PINT = 1; // Clear T1PINT flag
    PieCtrlRegs.PIEACK.all = PIEACK_GROUP2; // Acknowledge
    interrupt to PIE
}

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#endif

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/*****

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Function:    interrupt void timer4p_isr(void)

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Description: Timer 4 period ISR, 1.5KHz for control
              sampling

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*****/

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interrupt void timer4p_isr(void)

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{
    Uint16 i, s_r, s_r_3;
    _iq23 tmp = 0;

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/* get generator speed from encoder */
#if !(USE_ZC_SPEED)
    encoder_speed();
    gen_speed_cal = gen_speed_encoder;
#endif

alpha_array[alpha_count] = alpha;
alpha_count++;
if (alpha_count == 8192) alpha_count = 0;

idc_top = get_ADC(0, 3);
idc_bottom = get_ADC(8, 3);
idc_array[idc_count] = idc_top + idc_bottom;

speed_ratio = _IQ20div(_IQ20(1500), (gen_speed_cal >> 3)) * 8;

speed_ratio_3 = _IQ23div(speed_ratio, _IQ23(3));

/* moving average filter */
idc_mav =
    _IQ23mpy(idc_avg, _IQ23div(speed_ratio - _IQ23(1),
speed_ratio))
    + _IQ23div(idc_array[idc_count], speed_ratio);

idc_mav_3 =
    _IQ23mpy(idc_avg_3, _IQ23div(speed_ratio_3 - _IQ23(1),
speed_ratio_3))
    + _IQ23div(idc_array[idc_count], speed_ratio_3);

/* average per cycle */
s_r = _IQ23int(speed_ratio);
for (i = 0; i < s_r; i++)
    tmp += _IQ23div(idc_array[(idc_count - i) % 1024],
speed_ratio);
idc_avg = tmp;

tmp = 0;
s_r_3 = _IQ23int(speed_ratio_3);
for (i = 0; i < s_r_3; i++)
    tmp += _IQ23div(idc_array[(idc_count - i) % 1024],
speed_ratio_3);
idc_avg_3 = tmp;

idc_count++;
if (idc_count == 1024) idc_count = 0;

if (gen_speed_cal > _IQ23(gen_speed_threshold))

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    gen_speed_control();

    EvbRegs.EVBIFRB.bit.T4PINT = 1; // Clear T4PINT flag
    PicCtrlRegs.PIEACK.all = PIEACK_GROUP5; // Acknowledge
interrupt to PIE
}

/*****

Function:    interrupt void xint1_isr(void)

Description:  Xint ISR

*****/

interrupt void xint1_isr(void)
{
}

#if (USE_ZC_SPEED)

/*****

Function:    interrupt void cap1_isr(void)

Description:  CAP1,2,3 ISRs for calculating gen speed
              from zero-crossings, Timer1 running at
              150MHz/128 = 1.171875MHz, each count is
              0.000000853 (second)

*****/

interrupt void cap1_isr(void)
{
    Uint16 temp;
    _iq23 temp_Q23;

    temp = EvaRegs.CAP1FBOT;
    temp_Q23 =
        _IQ30mpyIQX(_IQ15(temp-cap1_value[0]), 15,
        _IQ30(0.000000853), 30) >> 7;
    gen_speed_cal = _IQ23div(_IQ23(1), temp_Q23);
    cap1_value[0] = cap1_value[1];
    cap1_value[1] = temp;

    /* acknowledge interrupt */
    EvaRegs.EVAIFRC.bit.CAP1INT = 1; // Clear CAP1INT flag

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    PicCtrlRegs.PIEACK.all = PIEACK_GROUP3; // Acknowledge
interrupt to PIE
}

interrupt void cap2_isr(void)
{
    Uint16 temp;
    _iq23 temp_Q23;

    temp = EvaRegs.CAP2FBOT;
    temp_Q23 =
        _IQ30mpyIQX(_IQ15(temp-cap2_value[0]), 15,
        _IQ30(0.000000853), 30) >> 7;
    gen_speed_cal = _IQ23div(_IQ23(1), temp_Q23);
    cap2_value[0] = cap2_value[1];
    cap2_value[1] = temp;

    /* acknowledge interrupt */
    EvaRegs.EVAIFRC.bit.CAP2INT = 1; // Clear CAP2INT flag
    PicCtrlRegs.PIEACK.all = PIEACK_GROUP3; // Acknowledge
interrupt to PIE
}

interrupt void cap3_isr(void)
{
    Uint16 temp;
    _iq23 temp_Q23;

    temp = EvaRegs.CAP3FBOT;
    temp_Q23 =
        _IQ30mpyIQX(_IQ15(temp-cap3_value[0]), 15,
        _IQ30(0.000000853), 30) >> 7;
    gen_speed_cal = _IQ23div(_IQ23(1), temp_Q23);
    cap3_value[0] = cap3_value[1];
    cap3_value[1] = temp;

    /* acknowledge interrupt */
    EvaRegs.EVAIFRC.bit.CAP3INT = 1; // Clear CAP3INT flag
    PicCtrlRegs.PIEACK.all = PIEACK_GROUP3; // Acknowledge
interrupt to PIE
}

#endif

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/*****
Function:    interrupt void cap4_isr(void)

Description: CAP4,5,6 ISRs are used as zero-crossing
              references, delay angle and compensation
              are calculated here to set the time instants of
              SCR firing
*****/

interrupt void cap4_isr(void)
{
    _iq30 f_div_fc;
    _iq30 theta_delayed, angle_to_add; // in per unit value
    Uint32 num_to_add;
    _iq12 temp;

    if ((gen_speed_cal > _IQ23(100)) || (gen_speed_cal < _IQ23(5)))
    {
        /* acknowledge interrupt */
        EvbRegs.EVBIFRC.bit.CAP4INT = 1; // Clear CAP4INT flag
        PicCtrlRegs.PIEACK.all = PIEACK_GROUP5; // Acknowledge
interrupt to PIE
        return;
    }

    /*
    * calculate the angle that needs to be compensated. 2nd-order
hardware
    * filter on firing board has fc=66.31Hz, Tc=1/66.31=0.01508
    */
    f_div_fc = _IQ30mpyIQX(gen_speed_cal, 23, _IQ30(0.01508),
30);

    theta_delayed = _IQ30atan2PU(f_div_fc,
        _IQ30(1) - _IQ30mpy(f_div_fc, f_div_fc));

    /*
    * falling edge captured, so firing signal should be sent at
    * (PI - theta + alpha), alpha_offset is used for error compensation,
    * 1/360 = 0.002778
    */
    angle_to_add = _IQ30(0.5) - theta_delayed
        + _IQ30mpyIQX((alpha+alpha_offset), 23,
        _IQ30(0.002778), 30);

    /* fclock for Timer3 is 150MhZ/128 = 1171875Hz */
    temp = _IQ12div(_IQ23(1), gen_speed_cal);
    temp = _IQ12mpyIQX(_IQ10(1171875), 10, temp, 12);

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temp = _IQ12mpyIQX(angle_to_add, 30, temp, 12);

num_to_add = _IQ12int( temp );

/* apply firing instant to compare register and set firing flag */
EvbRegs.CMPR4 = EvbRegs.CAP4FBOT + (Uint16)num_to_add;
firing_flag_T2 = 1;

/* acknowledge interrupt */
EvbRegs.EVBIFRC.bit.CAP4INT = 1; // Clear CAP4INT flag
PieCtrlRegs.PIEACK.all = PIEACK_GROUP5; // Acknowledge
interrupt to PIE
}

interrupt void cap5_isr(void)
{
    _iq30 f_div_fc;
    _iq30 theta_delayed, angle_to_add; // in per unit value
    Uint32 num_to_add;
    _iq12 temp;

    if ((gen_speed_cal > _IQ23(100)) || (gen_speed_cal < _IQ23(5)))
    {
        /* acknowledge interrupt */
        EvbRegs.EVBIFRC.bit.CAP5INT = 1; // Clear CAP5INT flag
        PieCtrlRegs.PIEACK.all = PIEACK_GROUP5; // Acknowledge
        interrupt to PIE
        return;
    }

    /*
    * calculate the angle that needs to be compensated. 2nd-order
    hardware
    * filter on firing board has fc=66.31Hz, Tc=1/66.31=0.01508
    */
    f_div_fc = _IQ30mpyIQX(gen_speed_cal, 23, _IQ30(0.01508),
30);

    theta_delayed = _IQ30atan2PU( f_div_fc,
        _IQ30(1) - _IQ30mpy(f_div_fc, f_div_fc) );

    /*
    * falling edge captured, so firing signal should be sent at
    */
    angle_to_add = _IQ30(0.5) - theta_delayed

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        + _IQ30mpyIQX((alpha+alpha_offset), 23,
_IQ30(0.002778), 30);

/* fclock for Timer3 is 150MhZ/128 = 1171875Hz */
temp = _IQ12div(_IQ23(1), gen_speed_cal);
temp = _IQ12mpyIQX(_IQ10(1171875), 10, temp, 12);
temp = _IQ12mpyIQX(angle_to_add, 30, temp, 12);

num_to_add = _IQ12int( temp );

/* apply firing instant to compare register and set firing flag */
EvbRegs.CMPR5 = EvbRegs.CAP5FBOT + (Uint16)num_to_add;
firing_flag_T3 = 1;

/* acknowledge interrupt */
EvbRegs.EVBIFRC.bit.CAP5INT = 1; // Clear CAP5INT flag
PieCtrlRegs.PIEACK.all = PIEACK_GROUP5; // Acknowledge
interrupt to PIE
}

interrupt void cap6_isr(void)
{
    _iq30 f_div_fc;
    _iq30 theta_delayed, angle_to_add; // in per unit value
    Uint32 num_to_add;
    _iq12 temp;

    if ((gen_speed_cal > _IQ23(100)) || (gen_speed_cal < _IQ23(5)))
    {
        /* acknowledge interrupt */
        EvbRegs.EVBIFRC.bit.CAP6INT = 1; // Clear CAP6INT flag
        PieCtrlRegs.PIEACK.all = PIEACK_GROUP5; // Acknowledge
        interrupt to PIE
        return;
    }

    /*
    * calculate the angle that needs to be compensated. 2nd-order
    hardware
    * filter on firing board has fc=66.31Hz, Tc=1/66.31=0.01508
    */
    f_div_fc = _IQ30mpyIQX(gen_speed_cal, 23, _IQ30(0.01508),
30);

    theta_delayed = _IQ30atan2PU( f_div_fc,
        _IQ30(1) - _IQ30mpy(f_div_fc, f_div_fc) );

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/*
 * falling edge captured, so firing signal should be sent at
 */
angle_to_add = _IQ30(0.5) - theta_delayed
               + _IQ30mpyIQX((alpha+alpha_offset), 23,
_IQ30(0.002778), 30);

/* fclock for Timer3 is 150MHz/128 = 1171875Hz */
temp = _IQ12div(_IQ23(1), gen_speed_cal);
temp = _IQ12mpyIQX(_IQ10(1171875), 10, temp, 12);
temp = _IQ12mpyIQX(angle_to_add, 30, temp, 12);

num_to_add = _IQ12int( temp );

/* apply firing instant to compare register and set firing flag */
EvbRegs.CMPR6 = EvbRegs.CAP6FBOT + (Uint16)num_to_add;
firing_flag_T1 = 1;

/* acknowledge interrupt */
EvbRegs.EVBIFRC.bit.CAP6INT = 1; // Clear CAP6INT flag
PieCtrlRegs.PIEACK.all = PIEACK_GROUP5; // Acknowledge
interrupt to PIE
}

/*****
Function:    interrupt void cmp4_isr(void)

Description: CMP4,5,6 ISRs are for sending the firing
              signals, firing signal length is determined by
              pulse_len_count

*****/
interrupt void cmp4_isr(void)
{
    if (firing_flag_T2 && SCR_firing_ON &&
        (gen_speed_cal > _IQ23(gen_speed_threshold)))
    {
        T2_FIRING_ON;
        EvbRegs.CMPR4 = EvbRegs.CMPR4 + pulse_len_count;
        firing_flag_T2 = 0;
    }
    else
    {
        T2_FIRING_OFF;
        firing_flag_T2 = 0;
    }
}

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}

/* acknowledge interrupt */
EvbRegs.EVBIFRA.bit.CMP4INT = 1; // Clear CMP4INT flag
PieCtrlRegs.PIEACK.all = PIEACK_GROUP4; // Acknowledge
interrupt to PIE
}

interrupt void cmp5_isr(void)
{
    if (firing_flag_T3 && SCR_firing_ON &&
        (gen_speed_cal > _IQ23(gen_speed_threshold)))
    {
        T3_FIRING_ON;
        EvbRegs.CMPR5 = EvbRegs.CMPR5 + pulse_len_count;
        firing_flag_T3 = 0;
    }
    else
    {
        T3_FIRING_OFF;
        firing_flag_T3 = 0;
    }
}

/* acknowledge interrupt */
EvbRegs.EVBIFRA.bit.CMP5INT = 1; // Clear CMP5INT flag
PieCtrlRegs.PIEACK.all = PIEACK_GROUP4; // Acknowledge
interrupt to PIE
}

interrupt void cmp6_isr(void)
{
    if (firing_flag_T1 && SCR_firing_ON &&
        (gen_speed_cal > _IQ23(gen_speed_threshold)))
    {
        T1_FIRING_ON;
        EvbRegs.CMPR6 = EvbRegs.CMPR6 + pulse_len_count;
        firing_flag_T1 = 0;
    }
    else
    {
        T1_FIRING_OFF;
        firing_flag_T1 = 0;
    }
}

/* acknowledge interrupt */
EvbRegs.EVBIFRA.bit.CMP6INT = 1; // Clear CMP4INT flag

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PieCtrlRegs.PIEACK.all = PIEACK_GROUP4; // Acknowledge
interrupt to PIE
}

/*****
Function:    interrupt void pdpinta_isr(void)

Description: Protection interrupt generated from FPGA,
             not used
*****/
interrupt void pdpinta_isr(void)
{
    fault_protection();
}

/*****
Function:    void fault_protection(void)

Description: Called when fault happens, not used
*****/
void fault_protection(void)
{
    Open_Relay(3);
    Open_Relay(4);

    *XINT1_CONFIG = 0x0;

    DINT;

    while(1);
}

/*****
Function:    void init_GPIO(void)

Description: Configure 2812 GPIO
*****/
void init_GPIO(void)
{
    EALLOW;

    /* Configure MUXs as digital I/Os or peripheral I/Os */
    GpioMuxRegs.GPAMUX.all=0x0700; // CAP/QEP 1-3

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GpioMuxRegs.GPBMUX.all=0x0700; // CAP/QEP 4-6
GpioMuxRegs.GPDMUX.all=0x0000;
GpioMuxRegs.GPEMUX.all=0x0000;
GpioMuxRegs.GPFMUX.all=0x0000;
GpioMuxRegs.GPGMUX.all=0x0000;

/* GPIO DIR select GPIOs as output or input, 0- input; 1 - output */
GpioMuxRegs.GPADIR.all=0x1880; // A7,A11,A12 for Relays
GpioMuxRegs.GPBDIR.all=0x18BF; // B7,B11,B12 for Relays,
B0-5 for SCRs
GpioMuxRegs.GPDDIR.all=0x0000;
GpioMuxRegs.GPEDIR.all=0x0000;
GpioMuxRegs.GPFDIR.all=0x0000;
GpioMuxRegs.GPGDIR.all=0x0000;

/* Set GPIO input qualifier values (0) */
GpioMuxRegs.GPAQUAL.all=0x0000;
GpioMuxRegs.GPBQUAL.all=0x0000;
GpioMuxRegs.GPDQUAL.all=0x0000;
GpioMuxRegs.GPEQUAL.all=0x0000;

/* qualification SYSCLKOUT/15 (0.5us for 6 consecutive cycles)
*/
GpioMuxRegs.GPEQUAL.all=0x000f;

/* clear Relays */
GpioDataRegs.GPACLEAR.bit.GPIOA7 = 1;
GpioDataRegs.GPBCLEAR.bit.GPIOB7 = 1;
GpioDataRegs.GPBCLEAR.bit.GPIOB11 = 1;
GpioDataRegs.GPACLEAR.bit.GPIOA11 = 1;
GpioDataRegs.GPACLEAR.bit.GPIOA12 = 1;
GpioDataRegs.GPBCLEAR.bit.GPIOB12 = 1;

EDIS;
}

/*****
Function:    void initXintfClocks(void)

Description: System clock configuration
*****/
void init_XintfClocks(void)
{
    XintfRegs.XTIMING0.all = 0x000358AC;
    XintfRegs.XTIMING6.all = 0x0003E746; //3D4A5;
    XintfRegs.XINTCNF2.all = 0x00000007;
}

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/*****
Function:    void init_ev_timers(void)

Description: Initialize Timers
    EVA_T1: for calculating generator speed from
    rising and falling zero-crossings (speed from
    ZC) triggering ADC sampling (speed from
    encoder)
    EVA_T2 : triggering ADC sampling (speed from
    ZC) for encoder speed measurement (speed
    from encoder)
    EVB_T3 : for ABC rising zero-crossings
    capture as firing reference
    EVB_T4 : for control

*****/

void init_ev_timers(void)
{
    /* EVA, Timer1 and Timer2 */
    EvaRegs.GPTCONA.all = 0;

    #if (USE_ZC_SPEED)

        /* EVA Timer1 Registers */
        EvaRegs.T1PR = 0xFFFF;    // period
        EvaRegs.T1CMPR = 0x0000;  // compare
        EvaRegs.T1CNT = 0x0000;   // clear counter

        /* continuous-up, internal_clkx128, disable compare, use own
        period */
        EvaRegs.T1CON.all = 0x1740;

        /* EVA Timer2 Registers */
        //EvaRegs.T2PR = 0xF0;    // 625kHz for ADC bias calibration
        EvaRegs.T2PR = 0x1D4C;    // 20kHz sampling for ADC
        EvaRegs.T2CMPR = 0x0000;  // compare

        /* Enable Period interrupt bits for Timer2 */
        EvaRegs.EVAIFRB.bit.T2PINT = 1;
        EvaRegs.EVAIMRB.bit.T2PINT = 1;
        EvaRegs.T2CNT = 0x0000;

        /* continuous-up, internal_clk (150MHz), disable compare, use own
        period */

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EvaRegs.T2CON.all = 0x1040;

/* Start EVA ADC Conversion on Timer2 Period interrupt */
EvaRegs.GPTCONA.bit.T2TOADC = 2;

#else

    /* EVA Timer1 Registers */
    //EvaRegs.T1PR = 0xF0;    // 625kHz for ADC bias calibration
    EvaRegs.T1PR = 0x1D4C;    // 20kHz sampling for ADC
    EvaRegs.T1CMPR = 0x0000;  // compare
    EvaRegs.T1CNT = 0x0000;   // clear counter

    /* Enable Period interrupt bits for Timer1 */
    EvaRegs.EVAIFRA.bit.T1PINT = 1;
    EvaRegs.EVAIMRA.bit.T1PINT = 1;

    /* continuous-up, internal_clk (150MHz), disable compare, use own
    period */
    EvaRegs.T1CON.all = 0x1040;

    /* Start EVA ADC Conversion on Timer1 Period interrupt */
    EvaRegs.GPTCONA.bit.T1TOADC = 2;

    /* EVA Timer2 Registers */
    EvaRegs.T2PR = 0xFFFF;    // 10000 pulses per cycle of encoder
    EvaRegs.T2CMPR = 0x0000;  // compare
    EvaRegs.T2CNT = 0x0000;

    /* directional-up/down count mode input clock from QEP */
    EvaRegs.T2CON.all = 0x1870;
    EvaRegs.T2CON.bit.TENABLE = 1; // enable Timer 2

#endif

    /* EVB, Timer3 */
    EvbRegs.GPTCONB.all = 0;

    /* Timer3 Registers (EVB) */
    EvbRegs.T3PR = 0xFFFF;    // period
    EvbRegs.T3CMPR = 0x0000;  // compare
    EvbRegs.T3CNT = 0x0000;   // clear counter

    /* continuous-up, internal_clkx128, disable compare, use own
    period */
    EvbRegs.T3CON.all = 0x1740;

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/* Timer4 Registers (EVB) */
EvbRegs.T4PR = 0x0C35;    // 1.5kHz for control
EvbRegs.T4CMPR = 0x0000;  // compare

/* Enable Period interrupt bits for Timer4 */
EvbRegs.EVBIFRB.bit.T4PINT = 1;
EvbRegs.EVBIMRB.bit.T4PINT = 1;
EvbRegs.T4CNT = 0x0000;  // clear counter

/* continuous-up, internal_clkx32, disable compare, use own period
*/
EvbRegs.T4CON.all = 0x1540;

}

/*****
Function:    void init_evb_compare(void)

Description: Initialize EVB compare for sending out
              SCR firing signals
*****/
void init_evb_compare()
{
    /* Enable compare for PWM7-PWM12 */
    EvbRegs.CMPR4 = 0x0000;
    EvbRegs.CMPR5 = 0x0000;
    EvbRegs.CMPR6 = 0x0000;

    EvbRegs.ACTRB.all = 0x0000;
    EvbRegs.DBTCNB.all = 0x0000;  // disable deadband

    /* compare enable, cmpr register reload immediately */
    EvbRegs.COMCONB.all = 0xC000;

    EvbRegs.EVBIFRA.bit.CMP4INT = 1;  // Clear CMP4 flag
    EvbRegs.EVBIFRA.bit.CMP5INT = 1;  // Clear CMP5 flag
    EvbRegs.EVBIFRA.bit.CMP6INT = 1;  // Clear CMP6 flag

    EvbRegs.EVBIMRA.bit.CMP4INT = 1;  // Enable CMP4
Interrupt
    EvbRegs.EVBIMRA.bit.CMP5INT = 1;  // Enable CMP5
Interrupt
    EvbRegs.EVBIMRA.bit.CMP6INT = 1;  // Enable CMP6
Interrupt
}

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/*****
Function:    void init_eva_capture(void)

Description: Initialize EVA Capture1-3 for generator
              speed calculation from zero-crossings
*****/
void init_eva_capture(void)
{
    /* clear CAPFIFO status */
    EvaRegs.CAPFIFOA.all = 0x0000;

    /*
    * enable Captures 1-3, use Timer1 as time base, detect both rising
    and
    * falling edges
    */
    EvaRegs.CAPCONA.all = 0x36FC;

    EvaRegs.EVAIFRC.bit.CAP1INT = 1;  // Clear CAP1 flag
    EvaRegs.EVAIFRC.bit.CAP2INT = 1;  // Clear CAP2 flag
    EvaRegs.EVAIFRC.bit.CAP3INT = 1;  // Clear CAP3 flag

    EvaRegs.EVAIMRC.bit.CAP1INT = 1;  // Enable CAP1 Interrupt
    EvaRegs.EVAIMRC.bit.CAP2INT = 1;  // Enable CAP2 Interrupt
    EvaRegs.EVAIMRC.bit.CAP3INT = 1;  // Enable CAP3 Interrupt
}

/*****
Function:    void init_evb_capture(void)

Description: Initialize EVB Capture4-6 for capturing
              zero-crossings as firing angle reference
              CAP4 - Vab for CMP4 for firing T2
              CAP5 - Vbc for CMP5 for firing T3
              CAP6 - Vca for CMP6 for firing T1
*****/
void init_evb_capture(void)
{
    /* clear CAPFIFO status */
    EvbRegs.CAPFIFOB.all = 0x0000;

    /* enable Captures 4-6, use Timer3 as time base, detect falling
    edges */
    EvbRegs.CAPCONB.all = 0x36A8;

    EvbRegs.EVBIFRC.bit.CAP4INT = 1;  // Clear CAP4 flag

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EvbRegs.EVBIFRC.bit.CAP5INT = 1; // Clear CAP5 flag
EvbRegs.EVBIFRC.bit.CAP6INT = 1; // Clear CAP6 flag

EvbRegs.EVBIMRC.bit.CAP4INT = 1; // Enable CAP4 Interrupt
EvbRegs.EVBIMRC.bit.CAP5INT = 1; // Enable CAP5 Interrupt
EvbRegs.EVBIMRC.bit.CAP6INT = 1; // Enable CAP6 Interrupt
}

/*****
Function: void init_interrupt(void)

Description: Initialization of system control variables
*****/
void init_interrupt(void)
{
    /* external interrupt config */
    XIntrpRegs.XINT1CR.all = 0x0; //disable XINT1 interrupt
    XIntrpRegs.XINT2CR.all = 0x0; //disable XINT2 interrupt
}

/*****
Function: void init_FPGA(void)

Description: Initialization of FPGA registers, current
             configuration generates 50KHz pulse train
             for triggering the thyristors

*****/
void init_FPGA(void)
{
    // Hardware Protection
    *FAULT_ENABLE_A = 0xFF;
    *FAULT_ENABLE_B = 0xFF;

    // Thermal Protection (disabled)
    *FAULT_THERMO_ENABLE = 0x0;

    *FAN_PERIOD_A = 0x0;
    *FAN_COUNT_A = 0x0;
    *FAN_COMPARE_A = 0x0;
    *FAN_CONFIG_A = 0x0;

    *FAN_PERIOD_B = 0x0;
    *FAN_COUNT_B = 0x0;

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    *FAN_COMPARE_B = 0x0;
    *FAN_CONFIG_B = 0x0;

    // Fault signal distribution
    *FAULT_DISTRIBUTE = 0xFFFF;

    *PHASE_SHIFT_A = 0xB000; //Zero Crossing of Vab in phase
    with Vab.0x4E58
    *DPLL_CONFIG_A = 0x118; //0x818 // MS-SVM
    // bit12..11 01 PLL feedback signal from overflow of A side PWM
    counter
    // bit10..8 00 input from zero crossing of VA or VAB
    // bit 7..0 divider D=24+1,DPLL freq=Fclock/(D+1)=6M;
    *DPLL_CONFIG_B = 0x118; //0x818
    *PHASE_SHIFT_B = *PHASE_SHIFT_A;

    // *N_MAX_A = MS_SVM_NO - 1; // Zero-crossing counter max
    value // MS-SVM
    // *N_MAX_B = MS_SVM_NO - 1; // Zero-crossing counter max
    value // MS-SVM

    //IO pin configuration
    *GPIOA6_CONFIG = 0x0A; //A side PLL output
    *GPIOB6_CONFIG = 0x0B; //A side SYN signal

    //XINT interrupt configuration
    *XINT1_CONFIG = 0x0; //Disable XINT1, 2
    *XINT2_CONFIG = 0x0;

    *COUNT_CONFIG_A = 0x3504; //0x7504 //MS-SVM
    // bit 15 0 Synchronize Mode
    // bit 14 1 Synchornous PWM counter
    // bit 13..12 11 Enable counter A&B
    // bit 10 1 Double buffered registers loaded at counter overflow
    // bit 8 1 Counter running in count up mode (only over flow)
    // bit 7-0 PWM counter clock 150MHz/([7..0]+1) = 30MHz

    *COUNT_CONFIG_B = 0x3504; //0x3504 //MS-SVM
    // bit 15 0 Synchronize Mode
    // bit 14 0 Controlled by PWM counter
    // bit 13-12 11 Enable counter A&B
    // bit 10 1 Double buffered registers loaded at counter overflow
    // bit 8 1 Counter running in count up mode (only over flow)
    // bit 7-0 PWM counter clock 150MHz/([7..0]+1) = 30MHz

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//FPGA internal operation 150MHz
//Fcounter = 150000000/((COUNT_CONFIG_A & 0xff)+1);
//points=((Sw_freq/Syn_freq+1)/2.0)*2-1;
//cnt_max=Fcounter/(Syn_freq*points*2);
//safe_margin=(Uint16)(cnt_max/1000);

*COMPARE_CONFIG_A = 0x07;
// bit 5 0 Load gate pattern from preloaded pattern 1 to 3
// bit 4 1 Reference vector rotate direction is CCM (anticlockwise)
// bit 3 X SYN_A, synchronous bit output to GPIOA6 and/or
GPIOB6
// bit 2..0 111 Enable compare 0,1,2

*COMPARE_CONFIG_B = 0x07;
// bit 5 0 Load gate pattern from preloaded pattern 1 to 3
// bit 4 1 Reference vector rotate direction is CCM (anticlockwise)
// bit 3 X SYN_A, synchronous bit output to GPIOA6 and/or
GPIOB6
// bit 2..0 111 Enable compare 0,1,2

*SV_PATTERN_A = 0x0007; // Zero Vector (1,4)
*SV_PATTERN_B = 0x0007;
*PROTECT_CONFIG_A = 0x0FF0; //Protection not activate
*PROTECT_CONFIG_B = 0x0FF0;

*COUNTER_PERIOD_A = 600;
*COMPARE0_A = 300;
*COMPARE1_A = 300;
*COMPARE2_A = 300;

*COUNTER_PERIOD_B = 600;
*COMPARE0_B = 300;
*COMPARE1_B = 300;
*COMPARE2_B = 300;

//Key input Text LCD displace interface
//*KEY_IN = 0xF;
//*SWITCH_IN = 0x0;

//FPGA LED
*FPGA_LED = 0x0;

// Kp
*PLL_KP_A = 0xF9F;
}

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/*****

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Function: Close_Relay(Uint16 RelayNumber)

Description: Close the relay specified by the number

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void Close_Relay(Uint16 RelayNumber)
{
    switch(RelayNumber)
    {
        case 1: // Reserved
            GpioDataRegs.GPBSET.bit.GPIOB12 = 1;
            break;
        case 2: // Reserved
            GpioDataRegs.GPASET.bit.GPIOA7 = 1;
            break;
        case 3: // Relay 3:
            GpioDataRegs.GPBSET.bit.GPIOB7 = 1;
            break;
        case 4: // Relay 4:
            GpioDataRegs.GPBSET.bit.GPIOB11 = 1;
            break;
        case 5: // Relay 5:
            GpioDataRegs.GPASET.bit.GPIOA11 = 1;
            break;
        case 6: // Relay 6:
            GpioDataRegs.GPASET.bit.GPIOA12 = 1;
            break;
    }
}

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/*****

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Function: Open_Relay(Uint16 RelayNumber)

Description: Open the relay specified by the number

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*****/

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void Open_Relay(Uint16 RelayNumber)
{
    switch(RelayNumber)
    {
        case 1: // Reserved
            GpioDataRegs.GPBCLEAR.bit.GPIOB12 = 1;
            break;
        case 2: // Reserved
            GpioDataRegs.GPACLEAR.bit.GPIOA7 = 1;

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        break;
case 3: //
    GpioDataRegs.GPBCLEAR.bit.GPIOB7 = 1;
    break;
case 4: //
    GpioDataRegs.GPBCLEAR.bit.GPIOB11 = 1;
    break;
case 5: //
    GpioDataRegs.GPACLEAR.bit.GPIOA11 = 1;
    break;
case 6: //
    GpioDataRegs.GPACLEAR.bit.GPIOA12 = 1;
    break;
}
}

/*****
Function:    void encoder_speed(void)

Description: Measure generator speed from encoder

*****/
void encoder_speed(void)
{
    Uint16 tmp;

    if (EvaRegs.GPTCONA.bit.T2STAT == 1) // positive direction
    {
        /* speed calculation */
        if (enc_spd_index == (ENC_SPD_RATE - 1))

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    {
        T2CNT_NEW = EvaRegs.T2CNT;
        tmp = (T2CNT_NEW - T2CNT_OLD);
        /* delta_count/ENCODER_PULSE * 1.5K/ENC_SPD_RATE
        * pole_pair(2) */
        gen_speed_encoder = _IQ23mpyIQX(_IQ15(tmp), 15,
        _IQ30(0.1), 30);
        T2CNT_OLD = T2CNT_NEW;
    }
}

else if (EvaRegs.GPTCONA.bit.T2STAT == 0) // negative
direction
{
    /* speed calculation */
    if (enc_spd_index == (ENC_SPD_RATE - 1))
    {
        T2CNT_NEW = EvaRegs.T2CNT;
        tmp = (T2CNT_NEW - T2CNT_OLD);
        /* delta_count/ENCODER_PULSE * 1.5K/ENC_SPD_RATE
        * pole_pair(2) */
        gen_speed_encoder = _IQ23mpyIQX(_IQ15(tmp), 15,
        _IQ30(0.1), 30);
        T2CNT_OLD = T2CNT_NEW;
    }
}

enc_spd_index++;
if (enc_spd_index == ENC_SPD_RATE) enc_spd_index = 0;
}

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