

Shunt active filter for power quality improvement of SRM drive FED DG system

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Abstract

Electric power produced by the use of ordinary fuels will produce toxic gasses like carbon dioxide, carbon monoxide, nitrogen dioxide etc. Which will causes environment contamination and as a result cause to global warming. This bring to the use of renewable energy sources. A Solar Photovoltaic (SPV) system, along with Maximum Power Point Tracking (MPPT), catenated to a three phase grid which feeding a switched reluctance motor is introduced. The catenation of solar photovoltaic system to the grid arise through two stages of operations, which is through a DC/DC boost converter via a Voltage Source Inverter (VSI). The Maximum power point tracking algorithm used is Perturb & Observe (P &O) algorithm, which is applied to the boost converter. Also reference reimbursement current has been generated by using $I \cos \Phi$ algorithm. Adaptive hysteresis band current controller is used for switching pulse generation in current controlled VSI. Em-ploying adaptive control, the Total Harmonic Distortion (THD) of supply current is reduced to 0.22% from 28.20%. There by the power factor is increased to a value 0.976%.

Keywords: Distributed Generation (DG); Power Quality; Switched Reluctance Motor (SRM); Voltage Source Inverter (VSI).

1. Introduction

The load interest is increasing regularly and it's become an immense dare for power plans. In order to encounter this growth in load interest, the electric power generation must be improved. Electric power produced with the use of ordinary fuels will causes the emission of toxic gasses like carbon dioxide, carbon monoxide, nitrogen dioxide etc. It will leads to environment contamination and as a result global warming were takes place. This led to the use of renewable energy such as wind, solar etc. The electrical energy produced by these renewable energy sources does not produce any type of greenhouse gases. And also they are freely available from the environment [1].

The electrical power produced from the renewable energy sources must be served to the grid. Producing electric power from the renewable energy source and conveying the power to an extensive distance is not reasonable. The distributed generation (DG) can be defined as the make use of renewable energy sources and integrating them at distribution level. But distributed generation may perhaps cause a number of difficulties like power quality issues, stability issues, reactive power issues and voltage regulation etc. Distributed generation can be adequately controlled for harmless process of the power system improving power quality due to the advancements in power electronics. But due to the large scale use of power electronics components in the electric circuits may led to harmonics in the power system [3-8]. By the use of passive filters or active filters the power quality difficulties can be resolute. Passive filters can filter out the harmonics effectively regulated for which, functioning in resonance and they departure residual terms in the source current. These disadvantages can be conquer using active power filters. To regulate the harmonics the active filter will persuade reimbursing currents in towards the system [9].In this

paper the voltage source inverter consumes two goals, one stands to invert the output of the SPV system and further is to perform as a filter. And solar photovoltaic system stays as the renewable energy source.

Due to limited life span and high initial cost of photovoltaic array creates it essential for the consumer to excerpt maximum power from the solar PV system. The grid connected solar photovoltaic system is turn out to be very prevalent since they do not want battery back up to confirm MPPT. This paper also proposes to enhance the Total Harmonic Distortion (THD) of the source current by means of adaptive hysteresis current controller and also it optimize switching frequency of grid connected photovoltaic inverter. For mining maximum power from photovoltaic system Perturb & Observe (P & O) algorithm is used [9-12].

Working performance of the voltage source inverter is established on the technique used for the generation of reference current. In this paper the reference current generation is realized using $I \cos \Phi$ algorithm. And also the switching pulse generated for this power stage is comprehended by using Adaptive Hysteresis Band Current Control. The Switched Reluctance Machines are receiving significant attention from industries, because of its inexpensive manufacturability, simple structure and reliability make it superior to other electric machines. The system performance was verified with the presence of Switched Reluctance Motor (SRM) drive system at load side.

2. Schematic diagram description

The fig.1 shows the schematic diagram of system with distributed generation integration to grid. In this paper, it deliberated about the voltage source inverter established 3-phase grid linked inverter along by means of control circuit.

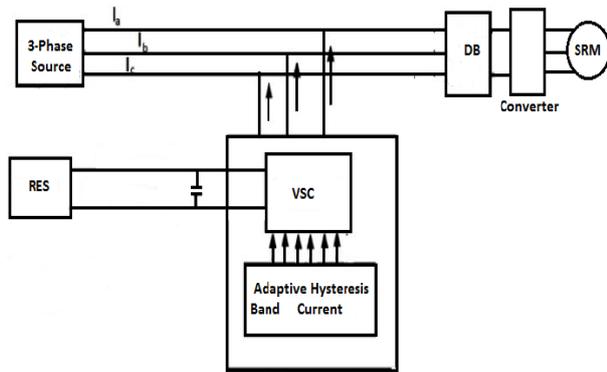


Fig. 1: Schematic Diagram of System with Distributed Generation Integration to Grid.

In addition, it perform as a Shunt Active Power Filter (SAPF) and is linked in parallel through the load which produces harmonics on the Point of Common Coupling (PCC). SAPF produces a current which is identical and conflicting towards that of the harmonic current drained by the load and then it injects the current at the point of common coupling, also creating the source current sinusoidal. The features of harmonics reimbursement is decided by the design of load current harmonics. The abandoning of harmonics by current wave form is attained by Voltage Source Inverter (VSI) and integrating inductor. The smoothening and separation of high frequency components are delivered by the inductor. Actual filter current or desired current wave form is gained by guiding the swapping of switches in the inverter. The switching frequency of inverter and accessible dynamic voltage through integrating inductors will limits the control of wave shape.

2.1. The shunt active filter using ICOSΦ algorithm

The control stratagem used here is the I Cos Φ algorithm. The control algorithm for a shunt active filter determine the reference reimbursement currents to be shoot up. Therefore the selection of the control stratagem is resolves the accurateness and reaction time of the filter. In order to make the control circuit squeezed the scheming phases involved in the control procedure consume to be nominal. The reimbursement for the harmonic and reactive quota of the 3-phase load current, and intended for some disparity in the 3-phase load currents are expected to provide by the shunt active filter. This will assure that the balanced current will be drained from the mains which will be virtuously sinusoidal and in phase with the mains voltage. Subsequently the mains is mandatory to provide the active quota of the load current. That is, in I cos Φ, “I” is the amplitude of the fundamental load current and cos Φ is the load displacement power factor. Accordingly the anticipated algorithm is named as “I cos Φ” algorithm [2].

Fig. 2. Comprehension of the IcosΦ algorithm

That is which perform as lowpass, highpass, and bandpass filters [16]. The second-order lowpass filter is used here. The negative running zero cross of the complementary phase voltage is detected by a zero crossing detector (ZCD). By means of a lowpass filter afore being served to the ZCD the fundamental component of the phase voltage is haul out to sort it invulnerable to any alterations in the inward voltage. The zero crossing detector has been intended through an acceptance of 5%.

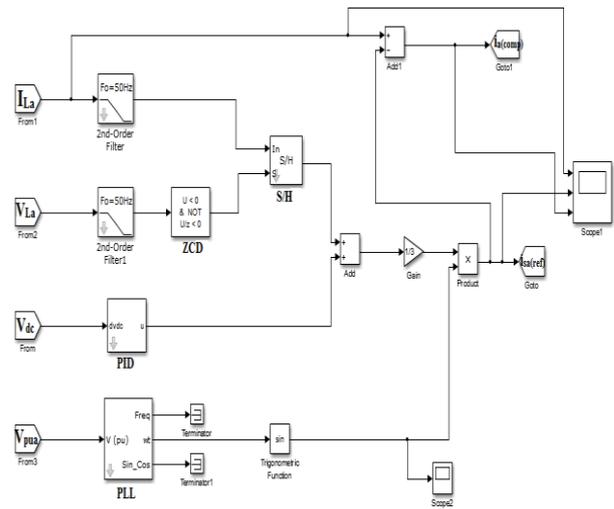


Fig. 2: Comprehension of the IcosΦ Algorithm.

The “sample” input is the phase-shifted fundamental current and the output pulse of the zero crossing detector is the “hold” input to the “sample and hold” circuit and the magnitude is the output of it. By means of a summing amplifier having a gain of 1/3 the average of these values in the three phases is determined. The MATLAB diagram of the control circuit of one of the three phases is set in the Fig. 2. It is obviously describes in what way the reference reimbursement currents are produced.

2.2. Adaptive hysteresis band current control

A number of current control methods for grid linked inverter has been described in literature. The widest approval of Hysteresis band current control method provides rapid current controllability, fast reaction, inherent peak current controlling capability, and simplicity of implementation. For this there is no need of data about system constraints. In the case of a modified hysteresis controller, only 2 switches remain controlled at high frequency at any time. In adaptive control the pulses to the controller is produced by using adaptive control by modifying pulses [4]. The switching sense for an inverter limb is set beneath.

For $I_L < (I_{Lref} - HB)$, in this condition the upper switch of inverter is off and at the same time lower switch of inverter become turned on for a particular limb.

For $I_L > (I_{Lref} + HB)$, in this condition the upper switch of inverter is on and lower switch of inverter is turned off. Where I_L is the actual filter current and I_{Lref} is the line reference current.

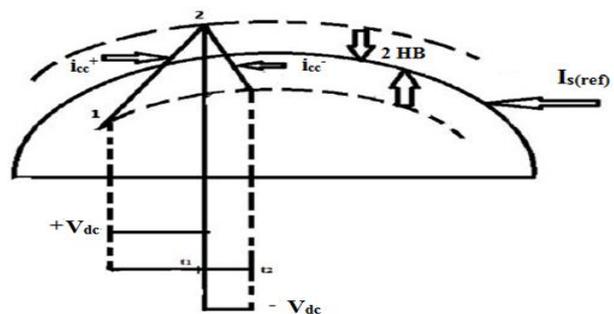


Fig. 4: Concept of Adaptive Hysteresis Current Control.

$$\text{Hysteresis band} = \left\{ \frac{0.25V_{dc}}{f_c} \left[1 - \frac{L^2}{V_{dc}^2} \left(\frac{V_{La}}{L} + m \right) \right] \right\} \quad (1)$$

The hysteresis band expression is given by the equation (1). Where f_c is modulation frequency, m is the slope of reference current. V_{dc} is the DC- link capacitor voltage, L is the line integrated inductance, V_{La} is the phase voltage. The Fig.4 shows pulse width modulated current and voltage in phase c. While the current i_{cc} reaches the lower hysteresis band at the point 1, then the upper switches of

inverter leg “c” become switched on. When the current i_{cc+} reaches the upper band of hysteresis band at the point 2, then the lower switches of inverter limb “c” become switched on.

3. Modelling of photovoltaic module

The photovoltaic system can generate direct current electricity when it is exposed to sunlight. The elementary construction slab of PV module is the solar cell. The V-I characteristic of a solar cell is shown by Eq. (2),

$$I = I_{ph} - I_s \left[\exp \left(\frac{q(V+I R_s)}{k T_c A} \right) - 1 \right] - \frac{V + I R_s}{R_{sh}} \quad (2)$$

- I_{ph}: Photocurrent function
- K: Boltzmann’s constant, (1.38*10⁻²³J/K)
- T_{ref}: Reference temperature
- T_c: Actual temperature
- I_{rs}: Reverse saturation current
- q: electron charge (1.6*10⁻¹⁹C)
- K: Temperature coefficient
- V: Terminal voltage
- A: Ideal factor

In this paper, the P & O (perturb and observe) MPPT algorithm has been simulated along with boost converter for maximum utilization of available power as shown in Fig. 5.

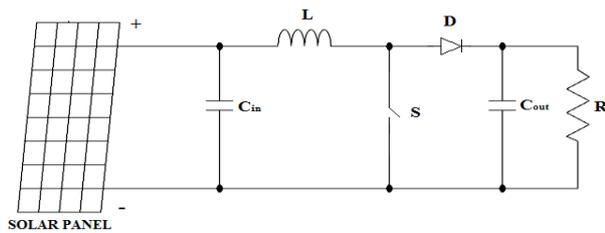


Fig. 5: Boost Converter.

Maximum power point tracking (MPPT) is a control technique to regulate the terminal voltage of PV panels in order to extract maximum power. The MPP may possibly varies due to external factors such as temperature, light conditions etc.

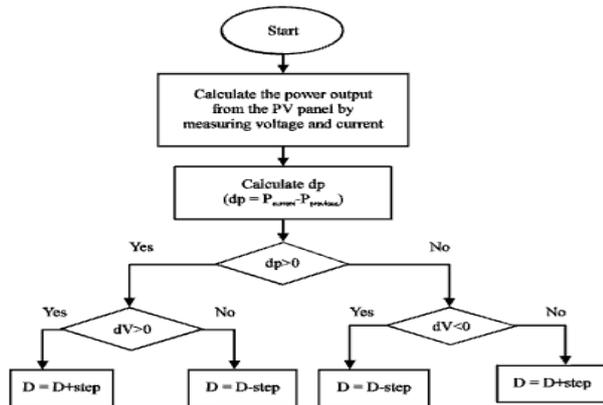


Fig. 6: Flow Chart of P&O MPPT.

It is also mentioned as hill climbing or P & O method, since it depends on the upsurge of power in contrast to voltage which is beneath the maximum power point, and the drop directly above that particular point. Perturb and observe method possibly will result in top-level efficiency.

Table 1: Specification of Simulated PV Module

Peak power(P _m)	648 W
Open circuit voltage	90 V
Short circuit current	7.2 A
Operating temperature	25°C

4. Matlab simulink results and discussions

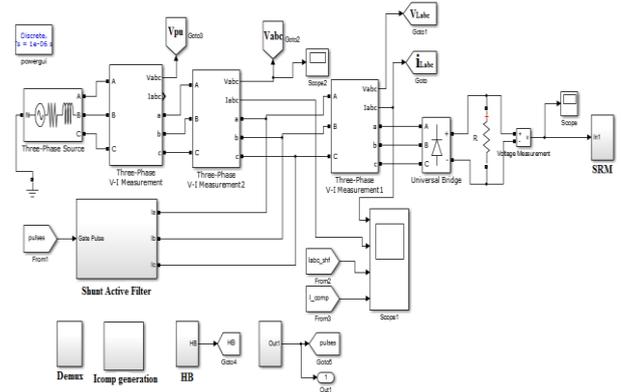


Fig. 7: Overall Simulation Circuit Model of the Proposed System.

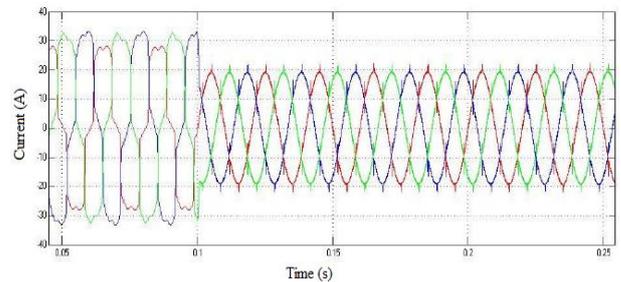


Fig. 8: Source Current Waveform.

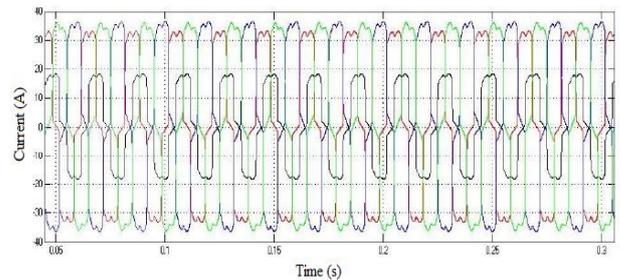


Fig. 9: Load Current Waveform.

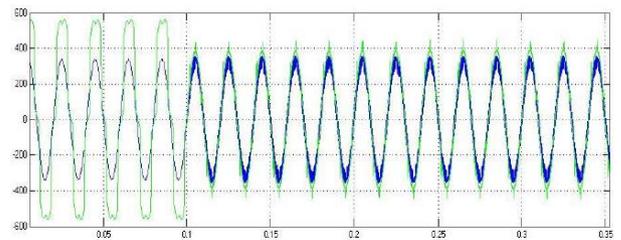


Fig. 10: Power Factor.

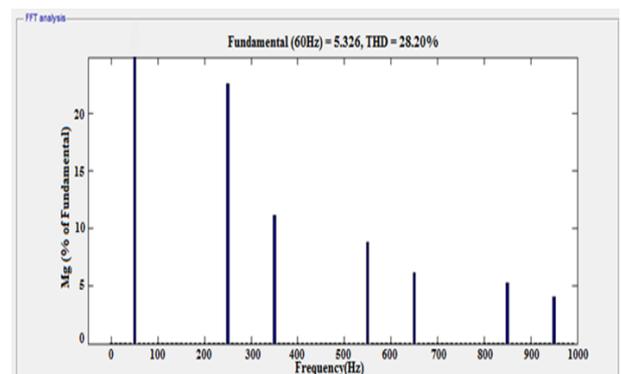


Fig. 11: Uncompensated Source Current Thd.

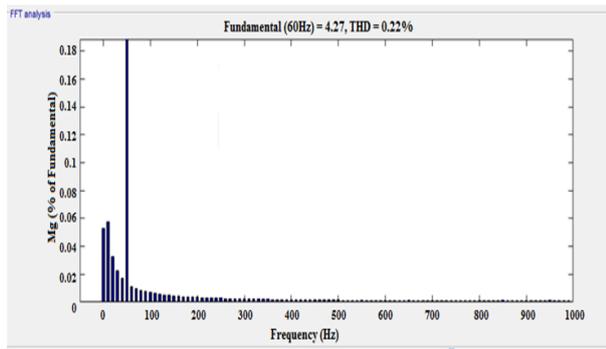


Fig. 12: Compensated Current THD.

Overall simulation diagram is exposed in Fig. 7. The Fig.8 and Fig.9 displays the source and load current output wave form that obtained after the MATLAB simulation. Fig.10 shows the system power factor and also fig.11 and fig.12 displays the THD of uncompensated and compensated source current. Here the voltage source inverter (VSI) linking photovoltaic system and grid mainly serves two aims that is which act as an inverter to invert the output of solar photovoltaic system to supply power to the grid and also act as a power conditioner. In this paper it is clear by using FFT analysis that the THD of the source current is minimum (that is 0.22%) by the use of shunt active filter there by the power factor is increased to a value 0.976%. Thus the power quality is improved.

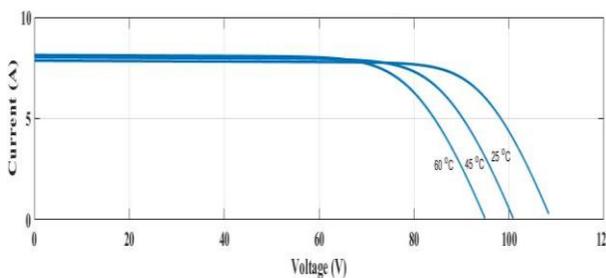


Fig. 13: V-I Characteristics At 25°C.

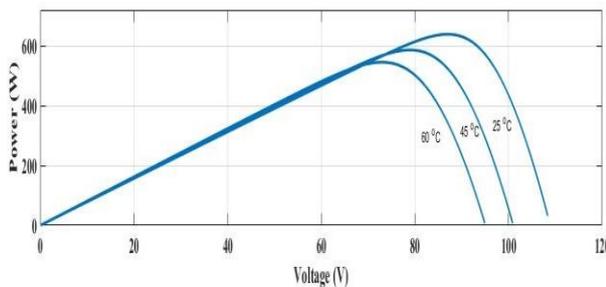


Fig. 14: P-V Characteristics at 25°C.

The above figures Fig.13 and Fig.14 displays the V-I and P-V curves of PV at 25°C.

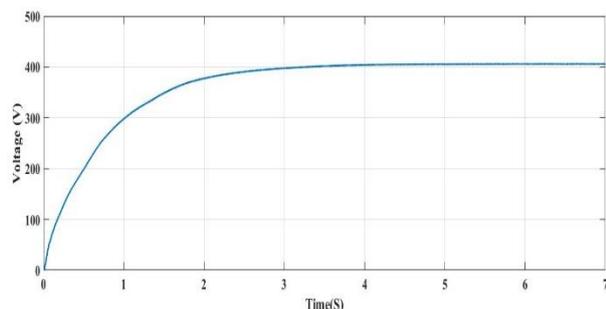


Fig. 15: Output Voltage of Boost Converter

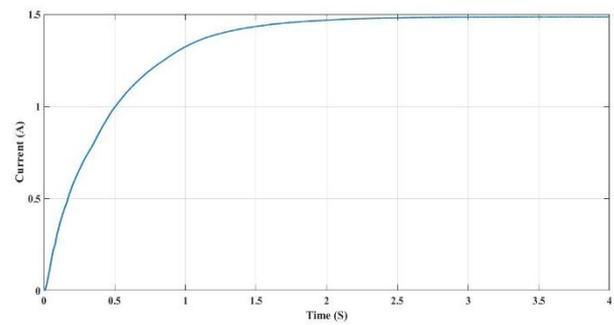


Fig. 16: Output Current of Boost Converter.

Fig. 15 and Fig. 16 shows the output voltage and current wave forms of the boost converter.

5. Conclusion

Power produced with the usage of ordinary fuels will releases toxic gasses like carbon dioxide, carbon monoxide, nitrogen dioxide etc. It will causes environment contamination and as a consequence leading to global warming. This led to the usage of renewable energy sources. A three phase source feeding switched reluctance motor has been simulated and obtained waveforms for distorted source current. Also reference current has been generated by using Icos Φ algorithm and waveforms are obtained through MATLAB Simulation. By the use of minimally switched grid connected photo voltaic inverter with adaptive control, in which switching losses are reduced can be magnificently used for creating the switching frequency of the VSI approximately constant. By this means overwhelming the drawback of conservative and modified hysteresis controller which consumes variable switching frequency. Employing adaptive control, the THD of supply current is condensed to 0.22% from 28.20%. In this paper it is clear by using FFT analysis that the THD of the source current is minimum (that is 0.22%) by the use of shunt active filter there by the power factor is increased to a value 0.976%.

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