

TORQUE PULSATIONS MINIMIZATION AT STARTING OF A SMALL POWER INDUCTION MOTOR BY USING A PASIVE FILTER

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Abstract – At starting of three phase IM or connection / reconnection in running, important torque variations are produced. Man can desire to diminish at maximum the existing peaks of instant torque by suppressing the low frequency harmonics from primary current spectrum.

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Fig.1 The considered system .

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1. INTRODUCTION

In [1] it is stated that the magnitude of torque pulsations , as a reaction to load variations are caused by interactions between low frequency components of primary currents (practically direct currents) with the fundamental components of secondary currents and inversely, the resulting torque is a synchronizing type and it is not desired from power conversion point of view. The filter's capacitor C_f mounted in series with the primary windings, will stop of the direct current, while the main alternating feeding current will pass trough ohm resistor of filter R_f mounted in parallel to C_f (see fig.1). The value of resistance is designed to determine the needed current for steady state of IM

2. THE MODEL OF CCI + Filter + IM .

To analyze the transitory regime of IM we will use the primary electrical equations α - β , written in a stationary reference frame [2]. The mathematical model of the filter positioned between inverter and IM is chosen in matrix state form as :

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{\dot{x}} \\ Y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ U \end{bmatrix}$$
(1)

 $I_n = 1,2$ Aeff – normal current,

with the following notation of the variables :

U- output variable i.e. the output voltage of inverter ,

X- state variable i.e. the equivalent electrical charge of capacitor ,

Y- input variable i.e. the primary current.

The dot sign is used to represent the differentiation in time of the state variable . Note that the output \mathbf{Y} is not differentiated as usual in system theory . By inspection of fig. 1 the following relations are obtained :

$$\mathbf{a} = -\frac{1}{C_f} \tag{2}$$

$$\mathbf{b} = -1 \tag{(3)}$$

$$\mathbf{c} = \frac{1}{R_f} \tag{4}$$

$$\mathbf{d} = 1 \ . \tag{5}$$

All per unit parameters were supplied by the Manufacturer of the IM (Electromotor Timisoara).

$$P_n$$
 = 0, 25 kW –normal power ,

$$n_s = 1500 \text{ rpm} - \text{synchronous speed}$$
,

P = 2 - number of pole pairs,

f = 50 Hz - normal frequency,

 $\cos \phi = -$ power factor ,

$$S_n = 0.04$$
 – normal slip,

$$\frac{M_k}{M_n}$$
 =2,2 – breakdown p.u. torque,

$$\frac{M_p}{M_n} = 2 - \text{starting p.u. torque},$$

$$\frac{I_p}{I_n} = 7 - \text{starting p.u. current}.$$

$$C_f = 100 \ \mu\mathrm{F}$$
 ,

$$R_f = 100 \,\Omega$$

3 . SIMULATION RESULTS .

To run the simulation an existing Simulink model of IM was used with insertion of the filter's subsystem as seen on fig . 2 [3]:



Fig. 2 Primary current calculus .



Fig. 3. Voltage, speed, and torque at starting without filter.

In fig.3 it is shawn the voltage , speed and torque variations without the connected filter and in fig . 4 with the filter connected between inverter and IM , for comparison purposes . In fig.5 it is shawn the primary current, primary and secondary flux

variations without the connected filter and in fig. 6 with the filter connected between inverter and IM , also for comparison purposes .

4. CONCLUSIONS

By comparison of fig.3 and fig.4 it can be seen the impact on starting torque pulsations at passive filter connection. This is a simple and cost effective practical procedure for minimization of torque pulsations.



Fig. 4 . Voltage , speed , and torque at starting with filter .



Fig. 5 Current and fluxes at starting without filter .

As power of IM increases as more efficient the method becomes, because of bigger magnitude of pulsations. As it can be seen the primary currents and voltages remains the same with or without the filter connected.

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Fig. 6 Current and fluxes at starting with filter .

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