A WIDE SPEED RANGE DIRECT TORQUE CONTROL OF INDUCTION MOTORS USING AN IMPROVED HYBRID STATOR FLUX ESTIMATOR SCHEME

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ABSTRACT

Direct torque control (DTC) of three phase induction motors allows a high dynamic performance to be obtained with a very simple control scheme. It is based on the stator flux orientation in which the stator flux is used as a main control variable. Therefore in DTC, determination of stator flux is always of first and primary concern. This paper investigates the stator flux estimation problem over the entire speed range. A hybrid stator flux estimator which combines the voltage model and current model with a PI controller is proposed. The proposed method does not depend on the angular speed and reduces the problems associated with pure integrators of voltage model at low speed. An improved stator resistance adaptation scheme is used to enhance the system performance. Thus, the drive system is capable of working from very low speed up to high speed and exhibits good dynamic and steady-state performances. The effectiveness of the proposed scheme is investigated, and good results have been achieved for both steady-state and dynamic operating conditions.

تعتبر تقانة التحكم المباشر في عزم المحرك التأثيري من الثقانات التي تضمن الحصول على خصائص تشغيل عالية للمحرك مع بساطة تنفيذ عملية التحكم، وتعتمد هذه الثقانة في الأساس على الحساب الدقيق لفيض العضو الثابت للمحرك مع بساطة تنفيذ عملية التحكم، وتعتمد هذه الثقانة في الأساس على الحساب الدقيق لفيض العضو الثابت على المدى الكامل أولوية وأهمية خاصة في هذه الأنظمة. ويدرس هذا البحث مشكلة تعيين فيض العضو الثابت على المدى الكامل السرعات تشغيل المحرك، ويقترح البحث استخدام نموذج مختلط لتعيين فيض العضو الثابت يجمع بين ذلك النموذج الذي يعتمد على الجهد والآخر الذي يعتمد على التيار مقترنا بحاكم تكاملي تتاسبي. ويتميز النموذج المقترح بعدم اعتماده على سرعة تشغيل المحرك والمشكلة الناشئة عن استخدامها خصوصا عند السرعات المقترح بعدم اعتماده على سرعة تشغيل المحرك والمشكلة الناشئة عن استخدامها مقاومة ملفات العضو الثابت المستخدمة في الحساب والتي هي بطبيعتها تتغير تبعا لظروف التشغيل. ولذلك فالنظام المقترح يضمن العمل بخصائص تشغيل جيدة على مدى كبير من سرعات التشغيل ابتداء من السرعات المنخفضة جدا إلى السرعات العالية. وقد تم دراسة مدى فعالية النظام المقترح وتم الحصول على نتائج جيدة تحت ظروف التشغيل المختلفة.

Keywords: Induction motor, direct torque control (DTC), stator flux estimator, stator resistance adaptation

1. INTRODUCTION

Due to its ruggedness, maintenance-free operation and many other advantages, the induction motor is considered one of the most widely used motors in variable-speed drive system applications. It has been enhanced by the recent improvements in power electronic devices and microprocessors which allowed easy implementation of sophisticated control techniques. In recent years decoupled flux and torque control of induction motors have greatly increased in high performance industry applications such as paper and steel rolling mills. Among all strategies based on stator flux the direct torque control (DTC) technique is one of the actively researched control systems

which have been recognized as viable solution to achieve this requirement. DTC achieves precise and quick torque response without any need of speed or position sensors, coordinate transformation, pulse width modulation (PWM), or current regulators [1-5].

The basic idea of DTC is to choose the best voltage vector which makes the stator flux rotates and produces the desired torque. During this rotation the amplitude of the stator flux resets within the limit of a pre-defined hysteresis band. Thus, it is almost constant. With a three voltage source inverter, there are six none-zero voltage vectors $(V_1 - V_6)$ and two zero voltage vectors (V_0, V_2) which can be applied to

the machine terminals. A suitable stator voltage vector V_s is selected from a switching table which is elaborated on the basis of torque and flux hysteresis comparator outputs $(\sigma_{t\&}\sigma_{\psi})$ and stator flux angular position (N) as shown in Table 1.

In a DTC scheme like that shown in Fig.1, it is essential to use the stator flux as one of the control variables. This requires an accurate value of the stator flux to be always accessible during operation. Direct measurement of stator flux via Hall-effect sensors or search coils inserted in the stator slots may be used. This method is supposed to get an accurate value of the stator flux without sensitivity to motor parameters. However, such direct measurement is sometimes difficult, expensive and prone to errors in noisy environments. These difficulties were sufficient to persuade researchers to develop alternative methods for on-line flux estimation based on terminal currents, voltages, and angular speed.

Basically, stator flux can be estimated using either a voltage model or a current model depending on the operating speed. At high speeds, voltage model estimator is very reliable and robust, while current model estimator is quite sensitive to errors of speed measurement. However, at low speeds, current model estimator performs satisfactorily, while voltage model estimator suffers from the noise-sensitive integration and depends heavily on the stator resistance detuning [6]. Various attempts have been made to combine these two estimators in some way to obtain good performance over the entire speed range [7-9]. A low-pass filter was proposed to select the current model at low speeds and switches to the voltage model at high speeds [7]. The introduction of that low-pass filter has the drawback of slow dynamics. An instantaneous hybrid stator flux estimator based on the terminal quantities and motor speed is presented [8]. In that method, the transition from one estimator to the other was dependent upon a selected crossover speed. The choice of this crossover speed is largely dependent on the accuracy

of speed measurement or estimation which, in turn, depends on parameter detuning.

The effectiveness of an observer using a hybrid voltage-current flux estimator model depends upon the accuracy of stator resistance. Stator resistance actually changes with operational conditions of the motor such as temperature and frequency variations. A mismatch between the controller set of this resistance and its actual value can initiate system instability. This parameter mismatch also results in nonlinearity between the developed electromagnetic torque and its command value. Under these circumstances, it is extremely necessary to implement a stator resistance adaptation scheme to preserve torque control.

Some adaptation control schemes have been proposed to overcome the problem of stator resistance mismatch [10-13]. Of these schemes, an adaptation for the stator resistance based on the difference between the flux current and its command has been proposed [10]. However, it has a problem in identifying the actual flux current. Another adaptation method based on the steady-state voltage equation was introduced [11]. However, it has the shortcoming of using direct-axis flux linkage which itself is affected by stator resistance variations.

This paper investigates the stator flux estimation problem over the entire speed range of a DTC system for a three-phase induction motor. A hybrid stator flux estimator which combines the voltage model and current model with a PI controller is proposed. This method does not depend on the angular speed and reduces the problems associated with pure integrators of voltage model at low speed. An adaptation scheme for stator resistance is integrated with the proposed estimator. The system is investigated under steady-state as well as dynamic operation and simulation results are presented.

Table 1 Switching Table

Sector number (N)		1	2	3	4	5	6
σ _ψ = 1	$\sigma_t = 1$	V ₂	V_3	V ₄	V ₅	V ₆	V_1
	$\sigma_t = 0$	Vo	V ₇	V _o	V ₇	V ₀	V ₇
	$\sigma_t = -1$	V_6	Vi	V ₂	V ₃	V ₄	V ₅
$\sigma_{\psi} = 0$	$\sigma_t = 1$	V ₃	V ₄	V ₅	V ₆	V_1	V ₂
	$\sigma_t = 0$	V ₇	V ₀	V ₇	V ₀	V ₇	V ₀
	$\sigma_t = -1$	V ₅	V_6	\mathbf{V}_{i}	V ₂	V ₃	V ₄

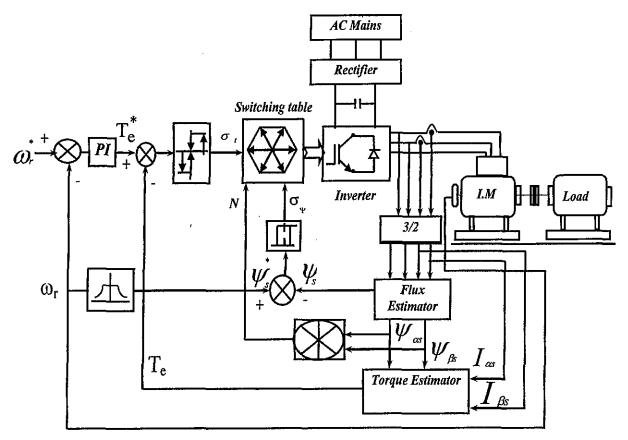


Fig.1 Block diagram of direct torque control for 3- phase induction motor drive.

2. STATOR FLUX ESTIMATION

It is important to start with a good and appropriate mathematical model of the induction motor when dealing with stator flux estimation. The dynamic model of the induction motor must incorporate all dynamic effects occurring during steady-state and transient operation. It should also be valid for any arbitrary time variation of voltages and currents generated by the inverter which supplies the machine. The dynamic behavior of an induction motor is described by the following equations written in terms of space vectors in a stator reference frame as:

$$\overline{V}_s = R_s \overline{I}_s + \frac{d\overline{\psi}_s}{dt}$$
 (1)

$$0 = R_r \bar{I}_r + \frac{d\overline{\psi}_r}{dt} - j\omega_r \overline{\psi}_r$$
 (2)

$$\overline{\Psi}_{s} = L_{s}\overline{I}_{s} + L_{m}\overline{I}_{r} \tag{3}$$

$$\overline{\Psi}_{c} = L_{c} \overline{I}_{c} + L_{m} \overline{I}_{s} \tag{4}$$

where

 $\overline{\overline{V}}_s$ Stator voltage vector;

 $\begin{array}{ll} \overline{I_s}\,,\,\overline{I_r} & \text{Stator and rotor current vectors;} \\ \overline{\psi_s}\,,\,\overline{\psi_r} & \text{Stator and rotor flux vectors;} \\ R_s\,,\,R_r & \text{Stator and rotor resistances;} \\ L_s\,,L_r & \text{Stator and rotor self-inductances;} \\ L_m & \text{Magnetizing inductance;} \\ \omega_r & \text{Rotor angular speed.} \end{array}$

2.1. Stator Flux Estimator Based on Voltage Model

The simplest and most direct method for determining the stator flux is obtained from Eqn (1) by integration as [1, 14]:

$$\overline{\psi}_{s} = \int (\overline{V}_{s} - R_{s} \overline{I}_{s}) dt$$
 (5)

This estimator is often referred-to as the voltage model. Although the voltage model estimator is simple and independent of the motor speed or rotor current, it suffers from some problems. One of the major drawbacks is its dependency upon the stator resistance accuracy. Stator resistance is not always constant but actually varies with the motor operational conditions such as temperature rise and

frequency. At low speeds, the resistive drop $R_s I_s$ is comparable with the magnitude of the applied voltage, V_s. Therefore, even small errors in the stator resistance can introduce significant errors in the estimated flux. Since there is no feedback mechanism for the stator flux estimator represented by Eqn. (5), and the input of the integrator is a small signal, runaway problems are likely to occur. Thus, the precision of this method is severely compromised [15]. Also, the problems related to the drifting integrators are often pointed out as the flux estimation at low speeds. It is obvious that this method is of no practical use at low speeds due to the previous limitations. At high speeds, the stator flux estimation is quite insensitive to stator resistance. However, even at high speed, stator resistance detuning can result in inaccurate stator flux estimation.

2.2. Stator Flux Estimator Based on Current Model

To eliminate the integrator drift of the previous method, Eqn (3) can be used as a base for the stator flux estimation. This method is often referred to as the current model and it has good properties at low frequencies. However, it also suffers from some other problems. One of its main drawbacks is its need of accurate values of $L_{\mbox{\scriptsize s}}$ and $L_{\mbox{\scriptsize m}}$. These parameters are always varying and dependent on saturation level of the machine. Another difficulty is the need of the rotor current which usually can not be measured. To overcome such difficulty, the angular speed of the rotor is used to estimate the stator flux. In this way, the stator flux can be estimated using the rotor flux and motor parameters. The rotor flux is obtained from rotor voltage Equation (2). This equation can be rewritten in terms of the stator current and rotor flux as follows:

$$\frac{d\overline{\psi_r}}{dt} = \frac{L_m}{\tau_r} \overline{I}_s - \overline{\psi_r} \left(j\omega_r + \frac{1}{\tau_r} \right)$$
 (6)

It should be noted that the rotor flux estimation is highly sensitive to variations in the rotor time constant τ_r , which varies with temperature rise. The stator flux is then estimated using the rotor flux as:

$$\overline{\psi}_{s} = \frac{L_{m}}{L_{r}} \overline{\psi}_{r} + \sigma L_{s} \overline{I}_{s}$$
 (7)

where o is the leakage factor and is given by:

$$\sigma = 1 - \frac{L_{\rm m}^2}{L_{\rm s}L_{\rm r}}$$

It should be noted that, this type of stator flux estimator has good properties at low speeds; however it is sensitive to parameter errors at high speeds [7]. Also, the rotor speed is essentially required to calculate the stator flux.

2.3. Stator Flux Estimator Based on a Hybrid Voltage-Current Model

It is possible to combine the previous two systems in a hybrid voltage-current model for stator flux estimation. This hybrid voltage-current model is represented by the block diagram shown in Fig.2. It contains two models, a current model which is supposed to produce an accurate value at low-speed range, and a voltage model which is supposed to produce an accurate value at high speed range. A PI-controller makes a smooth transition between the two models.

In order to simplify the implementation and to improve accuracy, the rotor flux $\stackrel{\textstyle \longrightarrow_i}{\psi_r}$ (the output of rotor flux current model) is deduced from Eqns (2) and (4) in a rotor flux reference frame ($\omega_e=\omega_{\psi r}$, subscripts "dq") as:

$$\psi_{dr}^{i} = \frac{L_{m}}{1 + p\tau} I_{ds} \tag{8}$$

$$\psi_{ar}^{i} = 0 \tag{9}$$

where
$$p = \frac{d}{dt}$$

Also the rotor flux $\overline{\psi_r}$ (the output of rotor flux voltage model) is calculated in a stator reference frame (subscript " $\alpha\beta$ ") to estimate the angle $\theta_{\psi r}$ which is used to transfer from rotor reference frame to stator reference frame and vice versa.

$$\psi_{\alpha r}^{v} = \frac{L_{r}}{L_{m}} \psi_{\alpha s}^{v} - \frac{L_{s}L_{r} - L_{m}^{2}}{L_{m}} I_{\alpha s}$$
 (10)

$$\psi_{\beta r}^{v} = \frac{L_{r}}{L_{m}} \psi_{\beta s}^{v} - \frac{L_{s} L_{r} - L_{m}^{2}}{L_{m}} I_{\beta s}$$
 (11)

$$\theta_{\psi r} = \tan^{-1} \frac{\Psi_{\beta r}^{\nu}}{\Psi_{\alpha r}^{\nu}} \tag{12}$$

Then the stator flux $\overline{\psi_s}$ (the output of stator flux current model) is calculated in a stator reference frame as:

$$\psi_{\alpha s}^{i} = \frac{L_{m}}{L_{r}} \psi_{\alpha r}^{i} - \frac{L_{s}L_{r} - L_{m}^{2}}{L_{r}} I_{\alpha s}$$
 (13)

$$\psi_{\beta s}^{i} = \frac{L_{m}}{L_{r}} \psi_{\beta r}^{i} - \frac{L_{s} L_{r} - L_{m}^{2}}{L_{r}} I_{\beta s}$$
 (14)

The stator flux Ψ_s (the output of stator flux voltage model) is calculated in a stator reference frame based on Eqn (1) as:

$$\psi_{\alpha s}^{v} = \int (\overline{V}_{\alpha s} - R_{s} \overline{I}_{\alpha s} - U_{\alpha s}) dt$$
 (15)

$$\psi_{\beta s}^{\nu} = \int (\overline{V}_{\beta s} - R_{s} \overline{I}_{\beta s} - U_{\beta s}) dt$$
 (16)

In order to correct the estimated value of stator flux, to compensate for the error associated with pure integrator and to provide wide speed range of operation for the entire observer, the stator flux voltage model is adapted through a PI compensator as follows;

$$U_{ds} = \left(K_p + \frac{K_i}{s}\right) \left(\psi_{ds}^{v} - \psi_{ds}^{i}\right) \tag{17}$$

$$U_{qs} = \left(K_{p} + \frac{K_{i}}{s}\right) \left(\psi_{qs}^{v} - \psi_{qs}^{i}\right)$$
 (18)

The controller parameters K_p and K_i may be chosen such that, at low-speed, the current model stands alone, while at high speed the voltage model prevails.

The magnitude of the stator flux vector is,

$$\left|\psi_{s}\right| = \sqrt{\psi_{\alpha s}^{v2} + \psi_{\beta s}^{v2}} \tag{19}$$

and its phase angle is expressed as;

$$\widehat{\theta}_s = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\Psi_{\beta s}^{\mathsf{v}}}{\Psi_{\alpha s}^{\mathsf{v}}} \right) \tag{20}$$

The sector number (N), which depends on the phase angle of the stator flux vector (θ_s) is obtained as follows:

$$(2N-3)\frac{\prod}{6} \le \theta(N) \ge (2N-1)\frac{\prod}{6} \tag{21}$$

where N=1, 2, ..., 6

The motor developed torque is given by:

$$T_{e} = \frac{3}{2} P \left(I_{\beta s} \psi_{\alpha s} - I_{\alpha s} \psi_{\beta s} \right)$$
 (22)

where P is the pole pairs number.

The most significant feature of this algorithm is that it does not employ speed adaptation and, therefore, it is immune to speed estimation errors. This quality is important at very low speed operation and in drive systems that don't need the speed estimation at all. Moreover, using such hybrid voltage-current model is helpful towards increasing the overall system robustness.

However, even with this hybrid voltage-current method, the stator flux estimation is still sensitive to stator resistance detuning especially at low speeds. Stator resistance is not always constant but it changes due to temperature variations. The variation of the stator resistance deteriorates the performance of the DTC drive by introducing errors in the estimated stator flux magnitude and its phase angle and consequently in the electromagnetic torque. In order to deal with this difficulty, a stator resistance adaptation mechanism has been implemented. This allows a more reliable DTC, especially at low speeds.

3. STATOR RESISTANCE ADAPTATION

Among other variables of the machine, the stator current vector is highly affected by the stator resistance variation. The stator current magnitude is determined by the torque and flux commands. This means that, for a constant flux and torque, the stator current command is only dependent on the stator resistance of the machine. Therefore, any change in stator current indicates a change in stator resistance [16].

A block diagram of the proposed stator resistance adaptation scheme is shown in Fig.3. It is based on the principle that the error between the measured feedback current and its command value is proportional to the stator resistance variation. The incremental value of the stator resistance for correction is obtained through a PI controller. This incremental value, ΔR_s is continuously added to the

previously estimated stator resistance, $R_{\rm so}$. This final signal is the updated stator resistance and can be used directly by the controller. The stator resistance adaptation algorithm shown in Fig.3 requires the stator current command. It is derived from the dynamic equations of the induction motor in the synchronously rotating reference frame using the torque command and stator flux command as follows:

$$I_{qs}^{*} = \frac{4T_{e}^{*}}{3P\psi_{.}^{*}}$$
 (23)

$$L_{s}^{2}I_{ds}^{*2} - L_{s}\psi_{s}^{*}I_{ds}^{*}(1-D) + L_{s}^{2}I_{qs}^{*2} - D\psi_{s}^{*} = 0$$
 (24)

where
$$D = \frac{L_s L_r}{L_m^2 - L_s L_r}$$

Finally, the magnitude of the stator current command I_s^* is calculated using Eqns (23) and (24) as:

$$I_s^* = \sqrt{I_{qs}^{*2} + I_{ds}^{*2}} \tag{25}$$

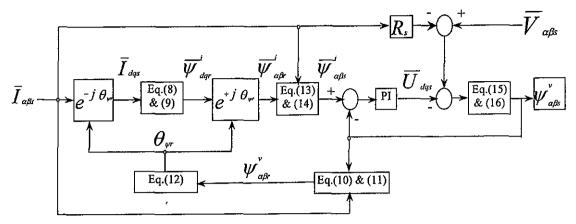


Fig.2 Block diagram of the hybrid stator flux estimator for the DTC drive

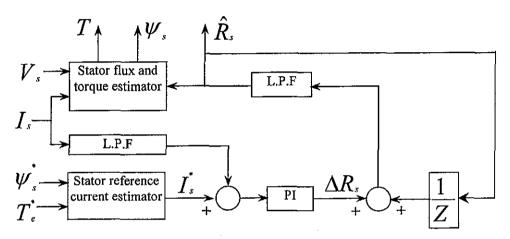


Fig. 3 Block diagram of the adaptive stator resistance tuning.

4. SIMULATION RESULTS

It is a usual practice to carry-out a computer simulation for the drive system to predict its performance before its real time implementation. A complete DTC drive system with a tuned voltage-current stator flux estimator as that shown in Fig.1 has been simulated by MATLAB/SIMULINK in order to verify its steady state and dynamic performances. The motor parameters used in the simulation are given in the Appendix.

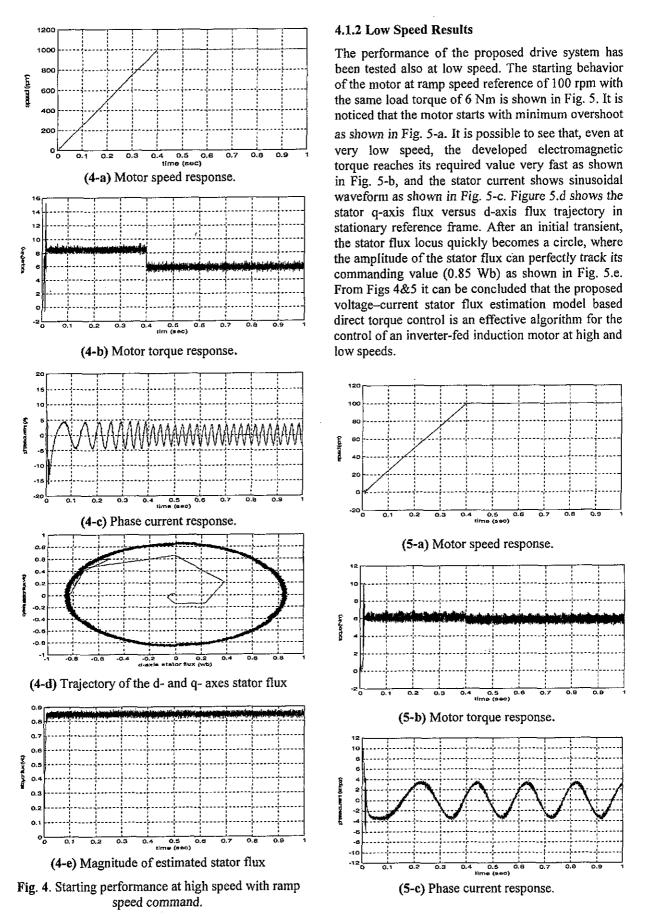
4.1. Steady-State Behavior

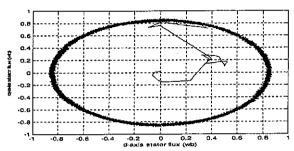
The steady-state behavior of the proposed DTC system was investigated for both high and low speed ranges. Reducing the starting current with fast speed response is an essential objective and is considered one of the basic requirements for high performance. This can be achieved using a starting procedure such as ramp speed command. The acceleration time or the slope of ramp speed reference depends on the controller parameters and load conditions.

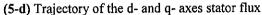
4.1.1. High Speed Results

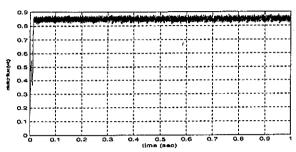
The starting behavior of the motor at ramp acceleration with a load torque of 6 Nm is shown in Fig. 4. It can be noticed that the rotor speed is accelerated smoothly and follows its speed command with minimum overshoot and nearly zero steady-state error as shown in. Fig.4-a. Figure 4.b shows the motor torque response which is quite fast. Also, Fig. 4.c shows the phase current response. It has a sinusoidal waveform with a limited starting value.

Figure 4.d shows the stator q-axis flux versus d-axis flux trajectory in the stationary reference frame. After an initial transient, the stator flux locus quickly becomes circular. The response of stator flux magnitude is shown in Fig. 4.e. It should be noted that it perfectly tracks its commanding value (0.85 Wb).









(5-e) Magnitude of estimated stator flux

Fig. 5. Starting performance at low speed with ramp speed command.

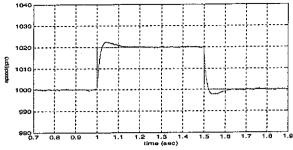
4.2 Dynamic Performance

For studying the dynamic performance of the proposed system, the drive has been subjected to a series of disturbances as step change in the speed reference and a sudden load impact. Simulation results of this study are given.

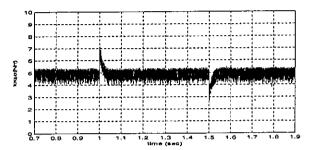
4.2.1 Step Change in Speed Command

The responses due to a step change in the speed command are used to evaluate the control system performance in terms of response time, overshoot, transient or steady state error and stability. The motor is subjected to a step decrease and a step increase in the reference speed to evaluate its performance in this case.

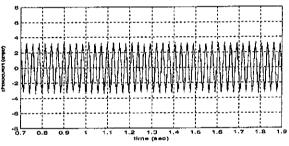
Figure 6.a. shows the rotor speed response to a command speed of 1000 rpm with a load of 5 Nm. At t = 1 sec, the speed reference has been changed to 1020 rpm and returned to 1000 rpm after 500 ms. It is noticed that the rotor speed is accelerated and decelerated smoothly to track its reference value with nearly zero steady state error. Figure 6.b exhibits the developed torque which shows motor corresponding increase and decrease during the step changes of the speed reference. The motor phase current is shown also in Fig 6.c. The stator flux magnitude is kept constant at its command value as shown in Fig 6.d, which confirms the decoupled action of torque and flux control during dynamics.



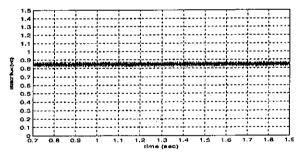
(6-a) Motor speed response



(6-b) Motor torque response.



(6-c) Phase current response



(6-d) Magnitude of estimated stator flux

Fig. 6 Drive response at step change in speed reference with load of 5 Nm

4.2.2 Step Change in the Load Torque

One of the most important features of the drive system is its ability to withstand step changes of the mechanical load torque applied to the motor. A high-performance control system should be of fast dynamic response in adjusting its control variables so as the outputs affected by load impacts are able to recover to the original status as soon as possible.

Figure 7 shows the dynamic response of the proposed control system under step changes of load torque.

The motor was previously started with its full load and after 1 sec. the load torque is suddenly reduced to one-half for a period of 500m.sec, and then increased to its original value. As it shown in Fig. 7.a, the developed electromagnetic torque shows very good response load changes. The rotor speed slightly changes at the instants of load changes as shown in Fig. 7.b, however, it is practically almost constant. The phase current changes corresponding to load torque, however its waveform is almost sinusoidal as shown in Fig. 7.c. The stator flux is always maintained constant at its command value during torque transition as shown in Fig. 7.d.

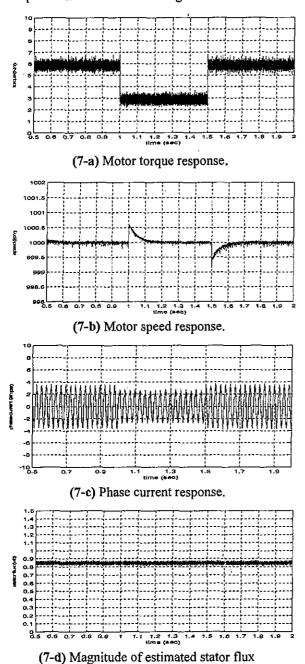
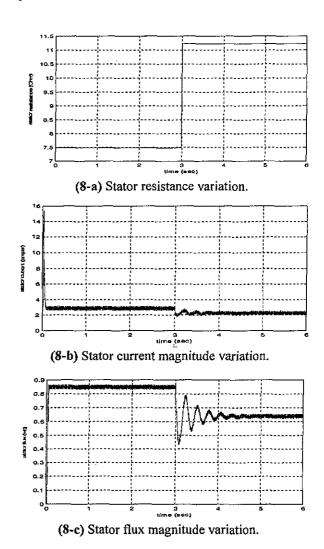


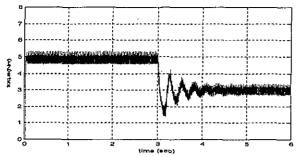
Fig. 7 Drive response due to step change in the load.

4.3 Stator resistance adaptation results

A mismatch between the controller set stator resistance and its actual value can cause instability of the drive system. To study the effect of stator resistance variation on the drive, it was assumed that a step change occurs from its nominal value to 1.5 its nominal value after 3 sec. Simulation results are shown in Fig. 8. It is observed that as the stator resistance increases, the input current decreases, which decreases the stator flux and electromagnetic torque, respectively. The controller has an opposite effect in that the decreased current causes decreased stator voltage drop, resulting in higher stator flux and torque estimation. When they are compared with their corresponding command values they gave larger flux and torque errors leading to a run off condition. A resistance adaptation is so important to avoid this problem.



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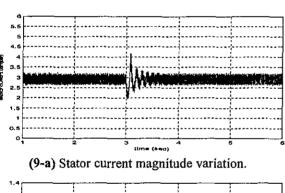


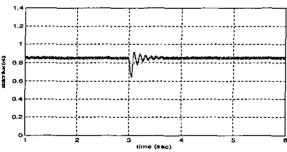
(8-d) Electromagnetic torque variation.

Fig. 8 The overall performance of the drive system without stator resistance adaptation.

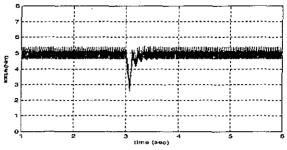
Figure 9 shows the simulation results for an assumed step change in stator resistance. However, in a compensated drive system, it can be noted that the stator resistance adaptation assists restoring a precise and accurate estimation of stator flux magnitude as shown in Fig. 9.b. Also, the developed electromagnetic torque is very well regulated due to stator resistance adaptation as shown in Fig. 9.c.

Figure 10 shows the actual and estimated stator resistance of the machine using the proposed stator resistance adaptation scheme. As shown, the estimated stator resistance quickly tracks the actual value of the machine.





(9-b) Stator flux magnitude variation.



(9-e) Electromagnetic torque variation.

Fig. 9 The overall performance of the drive system with stator resistance adaptation

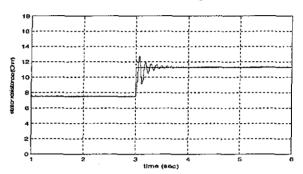


Fig. 10 Actual and estimated stator resistance

5. CONCLUSIONS

The paper has presented a control scheme for direct torque controlled induction motor drive, which provides a good torque and flux control over the entire speed range. An improved hybrid, closed-loop stator flux observer is proposed. It is based on the terminal quantities and does not require speed adaptation. The proposed method combined two estimators thus eliminating all existing restrictions for stator flux estimation. It enables smooth operation at both very low and high speed, while maintaining full dynamic controllability. The problem related to the stator resistance variation has been discussed. An adaptive resistance estimator utilizing only the existing stator current feedback has been introduced. The simulation was successfully carried out and the results confirm the precision of the proposed method.

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APPENDIX

The rated values and parameters for the machine used in the simulation study are given below.

1 kW		
380 V		
50 Hz		
2		
1430 rpm		
$7.48~\Omega$		
3.83 Ω		
433 mH		
433 mH		
411 mH		
0.03 Kg.m ²		