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Improved Speed and Torque Efficiency for DTC Controlled Asynchronous Machine Using Fuzzy Switching Algorithm

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Abstract

A vector form of control called direct torque control is based on stator flux and torque. Takashi invented in the middle of the 1980s. Control of the primary components of an asynchronous machine, particularly the stator flux and electromagnetic torque, is possible by direct selection of the inverter's output voltage vectors. These choices are done in a manner that keeps both values inside a hysteresis band. Through the use of two regulators, the PI controller and fuzzy logic, this study aims to reduce torque ripple while also accomplishing motor speed control. To determine which performs better, comparisons will be made [1] [2] [3] [4] [5]. The results will be shown by using Matlab/Simulink at the end of the article, and a discussion will be made by comparing those two regulator.

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1. Introduction

The asynchronous machine is the most widely used machine for achieving speed variations. It has a default unlike the DC machine, in which the power supply causes the same current to create the flux and the torque, by causing a flux variations obtained by the torque variations.

The DTC is the most efficient, straightforward, and accurate method of torque control for IM drives. With the exception of stator resistance, it is widely known for being tolerant to changes in motor parameters. The drive performance may suffer if the parameters speed, or loads are changed because the majority do not provide the quickest torque response [6]. Speed management is one of the most crucial components of an IM drive and must be handled skillfully. Researchers have been working on kind solutions to help DTC perform well for decades. Our study is focusing on applied direct torque control on the induction machine while using fuzzy logic controller, and PI regulator. Then seeing the difference between them and the performance they can afford.

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2. Materials and Methods

2.1. Direct torque control method

Direct Torque Control (DTC) has replaced previous methods, particularly Field Oriented Control, more and more in the industry. The DTC estimates the stator flux and torque of the motor using stator current measurements without the use of electromechanical sensors.

Direct torque control has gained popularity due to its quick dynamic torque feedback and easy control structures. In contrast to other control systems, the direct torque control approach still has a number of drawbacks. The most prominent of these is excessive torque ripple, which can lead to problems with motor performance [7].

In order to control the electro-magnetic torque and stator flux, a voltage inverter is switched using a control sequence that must be determined. Hysteresis controllers are in charge of regulating the system's state while taking electromagnetic torque and the amplitude of the stator fluctuation into account.

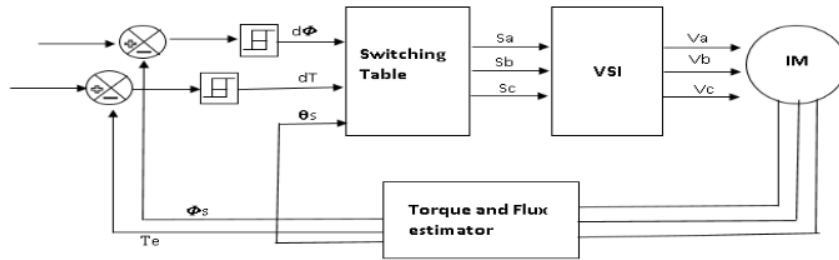


Figure 1: The conventional structure of direct torque control.

Seven possible points in the phase plane, or eight sequences of the voltage vector at the inverter output, are reachable by the inverter (a two-level inverter). The following figure 2 can be used to demonstrate direct control of the conventional torque of a three-phase asynchronous machine:

The inverter's purpose is to convert a DC voltage E (provided by a rectifier or another DC supply) into three simple AC voltages noted V_{an} , V_{bn} , and V_{cn} that are given to the motor as a three-phase system with variable frequency and amplitude. The logical S_a , S_b , S_c operate the converter. The voltage vector V_s can have two null vectors (V_0 and V_7) and six non-null vectors, as shown in Figure 2, when the converter's various states are combined.

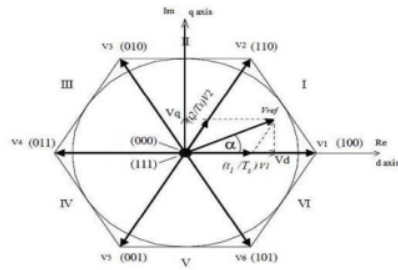


Figure 2: Voltage vector V_s based on switching states

The following equation is a representation of the voltage vector:

$$V_s = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} * E(S_a + a * S_b + a^2 * S_c) \quad (1)$$

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There are six zones within the (s) movement area, with $i=[1;6]$.

One of the eight voltage vectors given below can be utilized to control the flux and torque while it is inside a zone i [8].

When $V(i+1)$ is selected, (Φ_s) and (Γ_{em}) increase.

If $V(i-1)$ is selected, (Φ_s) rises and (Γ_{em}) decreases.

If $V(i+2)$ is selected, both (Φ_s) and (Γ_{em}) increase.

If $V(i-2)$ is selected, (Φ_s) and (Γ_{em}) decrease as well.

If V_0 and V_7 are selected, the rotation of the stator flux is halted and a sharp reduction in (Γ_{em}) is demonstrated while still taking into consideration the fact that the stator value is unaltered.

At the beginning of the region, the vectors V_i and $V_{(i+3)}$ are not used because the flux component is very strong with a zero torque in the middle of the zone. At the end of the zone, the direction of the torque or flux evolution is the opposite.

The voltage vector at the inverter's output is calculated from the torque and flux differences, as well as the position of the vector F_s , in relation to their reference. A flux estimator in modulus and position is needed along with a torque estimator.

2.1.1 Stator Flux and Torque Estimation

The flux is shown as follows using the equation from the stator reference:

$$\Phi_s = \int_0^t (V_s - R_s * I_s) dt \quad (2)$$

The stator current is measured while the stator voltage depends on the state of the switches (Sa, Sb, Sc), and the DC link voltage E. Projecting on the two axes α and β , we will obtain the two components of the estimated stator flux vector:

$$\Phi_{s\alpha} = \int_0^t (V_{s\alpha} - R_s * I_{s\alpha}) dt \quad (3)$$

$$\Phi_{s\beta} = \int_0^t (V_{s\beta} - R_s * I_{s\beta}) dt \quad (4)$$

When we use Concordia's transformation, we get:

$$V_{s\alpha} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} * E * (s_a - \frac{1}{2}(s_b + s_c)) \quad (5)$$

$$V_{s\beta} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}} * E * (s_b - s_c) \quad (6)$$

$$V_s = V_{s\alpha} + jV_{s\beta} \quad (7)$$

Similar to how the currents I_s and I_s are produced from the measurement of the machine's true currents I_{sa} , I_{sb} , and I_{sc} ($I_{sa}+I_{sb}+I_{sc}=0$), we also get the following results after performing the CONCORDIA transformation:

$$I_{s\alpha} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} * I_{sa} \quad (8)$$

$$I_{s\beta} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}} * (I_{sb} - I_{sc}) \quad (9)$$

$$I_s = I_{s\alpha} + jI_{s\beta} \quad (10)$$

From the two flux components in frame -, the estimated stator flux's angle and amplitude are calculated as follows:

$$\Phi_s = \sqrt{\Phi_{s\alpha}^2 + \Phi_{s\beta}^2} \quad (11)$$

$$\theta_s = \text{atan}\left(\frac{\Phi_{s\alpha}}{\Phi_{s\beta}}\right) \quad (12)$$

The measured currents and estimated fluxes can be used to estimate the electromagnetic torque, which can be represented as follows:

$$Te = \frac{3}{2}p * (\Phi_{s\alpha} I_{s\beta} - \Phi_{s\beta} I_{s\alpha}) \quad (13)$$

2.1.2 Stator Flux and Torque Hysteresis Comparator

This corrector is used to maintain the end of the stator flux vector in a circular band. The error between the reference flux and the estimated flux is injected into the two-level hysteresis controller. It generates at its output the variable Φ flux which indicates whether the amplitude should be increased or decreased.

The electromagnetic torque can be positive or negative depending on the direction of rotation of the machine. It is possible to propose two solutions (two-level or three-level corrector). The two-stage corrector allows controlling in one sense of rotation only [9].

2.1.4 Switching Table

The state of the Boolean variables at the output of the two flux correctors, the electromagnetic torque, and sector providing the information on the position of the flux vector are taken into account when creating the switching table.

Table 1 Switching tab

Flux	Torque	S1	S2	S3	S4	S5	S6
$d\Phi=1$	$dT=-1$	V3	V4	5	V6	V1	V2
	$dT=0$	V0	V7	V0	V7	V0	V7
	$dT=1$	V5	V6	V1	V2	V3	V4
$d\Phi=0$	$dT=-1$	V2	V3	V4	V5	V6	V1
	$dT=0$	V7	V0	V7	V0	V7	V0
	$dT=1$	V6	V1	V2	V3	V4	V5

2.2 Speed Controllers

Pid controller is widely used in industries to regulate pressure, temperature, speed, flow, e.g. Subordinate mode improves the model system's soundness and allows for an increase in gain K_p . In the actual world, the PID controller seems to be a very effective approach to a variety of control problems [10] [11].

The mathematical form of this controller can be described as follows:

$$U(t) = K_p e(t) + K_i \int_0^t e(\tau) d\tau + K_d \frac{de(t)}{dt} \quad (14)$$

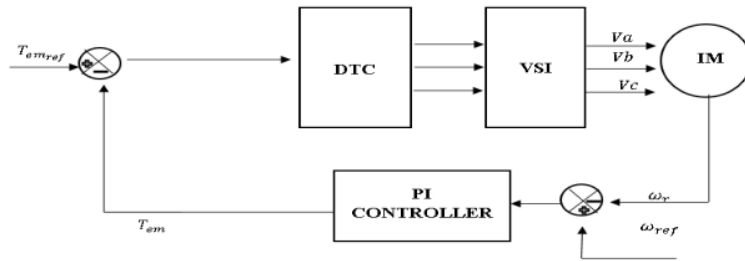


Figure 3: The design of PI speed controller.

The fuzzy logic controller (FLC) does not deal with a well-defined mathematical relationship. Instead, it uses inferences with several rules, based on linguistic variables. In this section, we will present the general procedure of designing a fuzzily-controlled computer system [9].

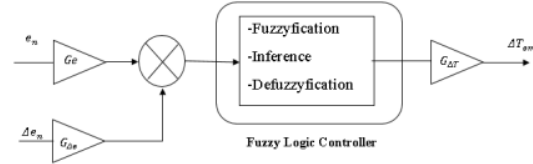


Figure 4: The design of Fuzzy logic speed controller.

The variables that reflect the error, its speed change, and the change in output can be normalised in the manner shown below:

$$e_n = \frac{e}{G_e} \quad (15)$$

$$\Delta e_n = \frac{\Delta e}{G_{De}} \quad (16)$$

$$\Delta T_{em} = \frac{\Delta T_{em}}{G_{\Delta T}} \quad (17)$$

3. Results and Discussion

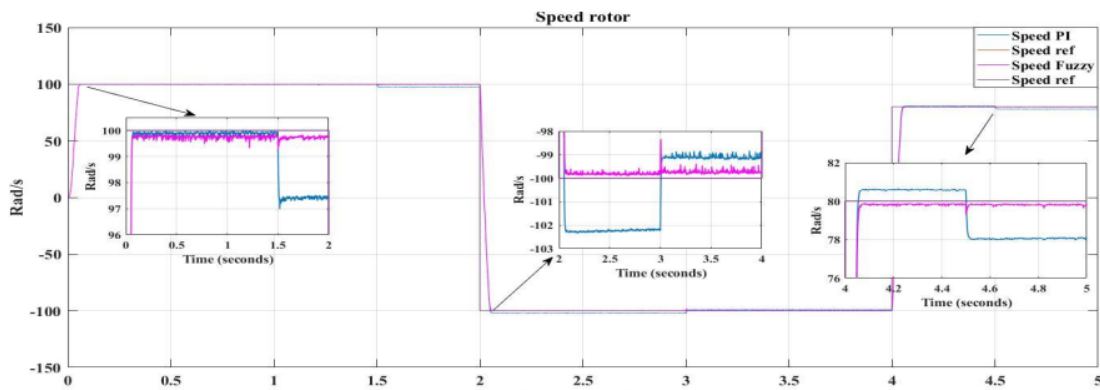


Figure 5 Rotor speed's response.

Both methods showed excellent response at start-up, but when the speed reference was changed, the fuzzy logic showed excellent performance not only in tracking the reference point but also when a change in torque reference was modified, it also showed excellent response, as you can see in the figure. In terms of efficiency and responsiveness, the fuzzy logic clearly outperforms the PI regulator.

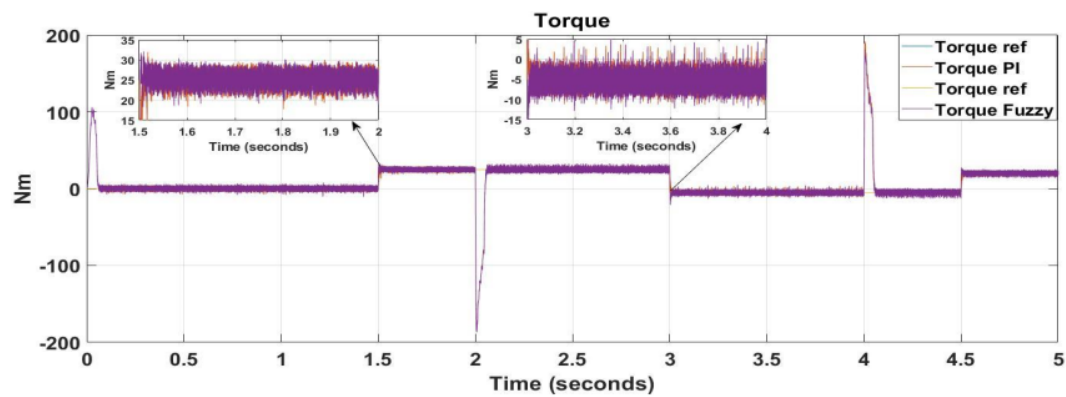


Figure 6 Torque's result.

At $t = 1.5$ s to $t = 2$ s, The fuzzy logic method has slightly reduced the torque ripple in contrast to the PI regulator, as shown in the figure. However, both of them shows a slight ripple when the torque becomes negative.

3.1 Conclusion

In conclusion, by directly choosing the output voltage vectors of the inverter from a switching table, the primary asynchronous machine characteristics, notably the stator flux and the electromagnetic torque, are controlled. These decisions are taken in order to keep both quantities within a hysteresis band that is within the bounds of their reference values.

In addition, After comparing these two controllers, it is found that fuzzy logic provides better efficiency and reference point tracking than the Pi controller when the speed reference is changed.

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