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Wind Turbine Model and Maximum Power Tracking Strategy

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1. Introduction

Today doubly fed induction generators (DFIG) are used for modern wind turbines to deliver electrical power to the grid. A speed variation of $\pm 30\%$ around synchronous speed can be obtained by the use of power converter of $\pm 30\%$ of nominal power. Furthermore, it is possible to control active and reactive power, which gives a better performance, and the power electronics enables the wind turbine to act as a more dynamic power source to the grid. The DFIG does not need either a soft starter or a reactive power compensator. This system is naturally a little bit more expensive compared to the classical systems; however, it is possible to save money on the safety margin of gear and reactive power compensation units, and it is also possible to capture more energy from the wind (Blaabjerg & Chen, 2006). A wind turbine with maximum power tracking is a very suitable power source to the grid. This new model, as a dynamic power source to the grid, comprises a maximum power

tracking wind turbine, a doubly fed induction machine with winding configuration, external rotor resistance and external rotor source which has a variable phase and amplitude. In this chapter its simulation, effects of important parameters, design of a special kind of voltage controller and a new combined controller for it and comparison of these controllers are presented.

2. Key words

Doubly fed machine, Wind turbine, Voltage controller, Combined controller

3. Maximum power tracking wind turbine

Maximum power tracking wind turbine can deliver maximum power to the grid in low and high wind speeds.

Turbine torque via wind is inferred from following equations (1) to (3):

$$\lambda = \frac{\omega_M \times R}{V_{wind}} \tag{1}$$

$$P_M = \frac{1}{2} \rho \pi R^5 C_P \frac{\omega_M^3}{\lambda^3} \tag{2}$$

$$T_M = \frac{P_M}{\omega_M} = \frac{1}{2} \rho \pi R^5 C_P \frac{\omega_M^2}{\lambda^3}$$
(3)

Where, V_{wind} , the wind speed, is measured in m/s, R, the blade radius is measured per m, ρ (1.24kg/m³[4]), air density is measured in kg/m³, ω_M , turbine mechanical speed, is measured in rad/sec, λ is tip-speed ratio (TSR) and C_p is power coefficient, i.e. ratio of turbine power (power extracted) to wind power (power available) and it depends on aerodynamics specifications of blades (Hoseinpur, 2001), (Burter et al., 2001). C_p is function of λ (Burter et al., 2001):

$$C_P = 0.22 \left[116\left(\frac{1}{\lambda + 0.08\beta} - \frac{0.035}{\beta^3 + 1}\right) - 0.4\beta - 5 \right] e^{-12.5\left(\frac{1}{\lambda + 0.08\beta} - \frac{0.035}{\beta^3 + 1}\right)}$$
(4)

Where β is blade pitch angle.

Simulation of turbine for two typical wind speed, 4 and 5m/s that are in valid range of speed between low-shutdown speed and high stopped speed, has been performed for improved turbine parameters according to table1 (Hoseinpur, 2001):

Nominal power	15kw
Blade radius	5.5m
Blade pitch angle	0°

Table 1. Turbine parameters

In a fixed wind speed, maximum power of turbine can be achieved from C_{Pmax} function considering improved λ . Improved parameters from equation (8) are presented in table2 (Hoseinpur, 2001).

λ_i or Improved TSR	C _{pmax} or Maximum power coefficient
8.636	0.48

Table 2. Improved parameters of turbine

Then, by using equations (1), (2), maximum turbine power is calculated.

4. Doubly fed induction machine

Most of wind turbine generators are induction generators that are very reliable and costs of them are low (Ehernberg et al., 2001).

Induction generators are not complicated. These generators can give active power to grid however they take reactive power from it.

In these generators at 50HZ frequency, the angular frequency is usually among 1200rpm to 1800rpm (relative to number of poles) and gear ratio is among 30 to 50 (Burter et al., 2001).

Recently use of doubly-fed induction generators in wind turbines has become more common; however, they are more complicated than ordinary induction machines.

Voltage equations of an induction generator in ABC system are given by equation (5) (Krause, 1986):

$$V_{S,r} = R_{S,r} \bullet i_{S,r} + \frac{d}{dt} \left(L \bullet i_{S,r} \right)$$
(5)

And n, the ratio of equivalent stator turns to equivalent rotor turns is unit (Krause, 1986):

$$n = 1$$

$$L_{ms} = \frac{2}{3}L_m$$

$$L_{ms} = L_{mr}$$
(6)

And electromagnetic torque is according to equation (7) (Krause, 1986):

$$T_e = (i_{abcS})^T \frac{d}{d\theta_m} (\dot{L}_{sr}) \bullet \dot{i}_{abcr}$$
⁽⁷⁾

And rotor mechanical speed can be obtained from equation (8) (Krause, 1986):

$$T_e - T_m = J \frac{d\omega_m}{dt} + D\omega_m \tag{8}$$

Where T_m is mechanical torque, T_e is generator torque, D is system drag (friction) coefficient and J is total inertia.

In induction machine with rotor configuration that is referred to as a winding rotor, rotor external resistance is used to increase slip and its amount is usually low and is nearly one over ten percent of rotor resistance per phase.

In doubly-fed induction generator, an external source with adjustable amplitude and phase is used to control induction generator speed and power (Ehernberg et al., 2001).

According to table 3 and by using induction machine model of MATLAB-SIMULINK the simulation has been performed.

Nominal power	15 kW		
Line to line nominal voltage	460 V		
Nominal frequency	60 HZ		
Number of pair poles	$4 \qquad \bigcirc \qquad $		
Stator resistance, R _S	0.2761 Ω		
Stator inductance, L _{ls}	2.2 mH		
Rotor resistance, R _r	0.1645 Ω		
Rotor inductance, L _{lr}	2.2 mH		
Magnetizing inductance, L _m	76.14 mH		
Inertia, J	0.1 kg.m ²		
Friction coefficient, F	0.018 N.m.s		

Table 3. Induction machine parameters in side of stator (Hoseinpur et al., 2001)

5. Machine simulation results

Results of simulation of fig.1 are presented in table 4 (Kojooyan Jafari & Radan, 2008). Simulation has been performed for 2 seconds, using MATLAB-SIMULINK. In table4, the polarity of input power to machine is considered negative and that of output from machine is considered positive.



Fig. 1. Model of doubly-fed machine with improved wind turbine

In simulation, the gearbox effect is considered and output torque of gearbox is multiplied by inverse of gear ratio where gear ratio is the ratio of generator shaft speed to low-speed shaft speed in relation to equation (9):

$$N_{GB} = \frac{\omega_{mr}}{\omega_T} \tag{9}$$

						r		
V _{wind}	k	θ	r _{ex}	ω _T	ω _{mr}	N g	$P_{T3\Phi}$	$P_{S3\Phi}$
4	5	-0.02	0.016	6.28	94.5	15	-1.8k	1.4k
4	5	-0.78	0.016	6.28	94.5	15	-1.8k	1.4k
\square_4	10	-0.02	0.016	6.28	94.5	15	-1.8k	1.4k
4	10	-0.78	0.016	6.28	94.5	15	-1.8k	1.4k
5	15	-0.02	0.016	7.85	95	12	-3.53k	3k
5	15	-0.78	0.016	7.85	95	12	-3.53k	3k
5	20	-0.02	0.016	7.85	95	12	-3.53k	3k
5	20	-0.78	0.016	7.85	95	12	-3.53k	3.53k

Table 4. Simulation results of wind turbine and doubly-fed generator

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V,	wind	k	r _{ex}	$P_{r3\Phi}$	P_{loss}	$Q_{S3\Phi}$	$Q_{r3\Phi}$	
	4	5	0.016	6	394	-7.5k	11.5	
	4	5	0.016	6	394	-7.5k	11.5	
	4	10	0.016	10	390	-8.5k	47	
	4	10	0.016	10	390	-8.5k	47	
	5	15	0.016	7	523	-8k	21	
	5	15	0.016	7	523	-8k	21	
	5	20	0.016	10	480	-8.5k	40	
	5	20	0.016	10	480	-8.5k	40	

Table 4. (continue)

Where k and θ are amplitude and phase of external rotor source, r_{ex} is external rotor resistance, $Q_{S3\Phi}$ and $Q_{r3\Phi}$ are 3-phased reactive power of rotor and stator in VAR, $P_{T3\Phi}$ is maximum turbine power, $P_{r3\Phi}$ and $P_{S3\Phi}$ are 3-phased active power of rotor and stator and P_{loss} is power losses of machine that all are in watt, ω_T is turbine speed in rad/sec, V_{wind} is wind speed in m/s, ω_{mr} is mechanical speed of rotor in rad/sec and Ng is ratio of gear

Table5 shows the results of simulation for two amounts of external rotor resistance.

Vwind	k	θ	r _{ex}	ω _T	ω _{mr}	Ng	$Q_{r3\Phi}$
4	10	-0.78	0.016	6.28	94.5	15	47
4	10	-0.78	3	6.28	96.7	15.4	-1
5	15	-0.78	0.016	7.85	95	12	21
5	15	-0.78	3	7.85	99	12.6	-0.5

Table 5. Simulation results of wind turbine with doubly-fed generator for two different rex

Vwind	k	Q _{S3} Φ	Ртзф	$P_{S3\Phi}$	$P_{r3\Phi}$	Ploss
4	10	-8.5k	-1.8k	1.4k	10	390
4	10	-7.2k	-1.8k	1.5k	-0.5	300.5
5	15	-8k	-3.53k	3k	7	523
5	15	-7.3k	-3.53k	3.1k	2	428

Table 5. (continue)

The curves of simulation are presented in the following figs.2 to 17 (Kojooyan Jafari & Radan, 2009).



Fig. 2. Curve of torque-speed for k=15, r_{ex} =0.016, V_{wind} =5, θ =-0.78 and Ng=12



Fig. 3. Curve of electromagnetic torque-time for k=15, r_{ex} =0.016, V_{wind} =5, θ =-0.78 and Ng=12



Fig. 4. Curve of mechanical torque-time for k=15, r_{ex} =0.016, V_{wind} =5, θ =-0.78 and Ng=12



Fig. 5. Curve of mechanical rotor speed-time for k=15, r_{ex} =0.016, V_{wind} =5, θ =-0.78 and Ng=12



Fig. 6. Curve of torque-speed for k=15, r_{ex} =3, V_{wind} =5, θ =-0.78 and Ng=12



Fig. 7. Curve of electromagnetic torque-time for k=15, r_{ex} =3, V_{wind} =5, θ =-0.78 and Ng=12



Fig. 8. Curve of mechanical torque-time for k=15, r_{ex} =3, V_{wind} =5, θ =-0.78 and Ng=12



Fig. 9. Curve of mechanical rotor speed-time for k=15, r_{ex} =3, V_{wind} =5, θ =-0.78 and Ng=12



Fig. 10. Curve of torque-speed for k=10, r_{ex} =0.016, V_{wind} =4, θ =-0.78 and Ng=15



Fig. 11. Curve of electromagnetic torque-time for k=10, r_{ex} =0.016, V_{wind} =4, θ =-0.78 and Ng=15



Fig. 12. Curve of mechanical torque-time for k=10, r_{ex} =0.016, V_{wind} =4, θ =-0.78 and Ng=15



Fig. 13. Curve of mechanical rotor speed-time for k=10, r_{ex} =0.016, V_{wind} =4, θ =-0.78 and Ng=15



Fig. 14. Curve of torque-speed for k=10, r_{ex} =3, V_{wind} =4, θ =-0.78 and Ng=15



Fig. 15. Curve of electromagnetic torque-time for k=10, r_{ex} =3, V_{wind} =4, θ =-0.78 and Ng=15



Fig. 16. Curve of mechanical torque-time for k=10, r_{ex} =3, V_{wind} =4, θ =-0.78 and Ng=15



Fig. 17. Curve of mechanical rotor speed-time for k=10, r_{ex} =3, V_{wind} =4, θ =-0.78 and Ng=15

6. PI self tuning voltage controller

One of the most important subjects is control of output power when rotor external voltage source domain drops down. A PI self tuning voltage controller, shown in Fig.18, controls stator output power through adjusting the voltage at rotor terminals. V_{wind} in diagram is related to ω_M of turbine according to the equation (1). For self tuning control, P parameter of controller is adopted by k; domain of external rotor source according to fig. 19 and equation (9) when I parameter is constant and 0.0001, in every low and high wind speed (Kojooyan Jafari & Radan, 2010).

$$p = 8 / k \tag{9}$$



Fig. 18. Block diagram of PI self tuning voltage controller

7. PI self tuning combined voltage and pitch controller

A P self tuning voltage and pitch controller controls the system proportionally according to fig.20 then torque compensation is exerted whereas maximum turbine torque according to equation (3) can be achieved and stator output power is controlled consequently.

In this system self tuning combined control is designed by constant parameters of P_1 and P_2 according to table 10.



Fig. 19. Curve of P parameter when domain of external rotor source changes while I parameter is 0.0001



Fig. 20. Block diagram of P combined controller

8. Controllers simulation results

The results of simulation for reference points of tables 6 to 9 with parameters of PI and P controllers according to table 10 are presented in figs. 21 to 68 for a typical wind speed; 6m/s, for self tuning PI and P controllers.

In table 6, the polarity of input power to machine is considered negative and that of output from machine is considered positive for set points of tables 6 to 9. Table 10 shows parameters of controllers.

In simulation, the gearbox effect is considered in such a way that output torque of gearbox is multiplied by inverse of gear ratio.

#Points	ωmr[rad/s]	P _{s[W]}	Qs[VAR]	$ \geq 1 $
	96.6	1.5k	-7.2k	
2	98.9	3k	-7.3k	
3	117	15.2k	-9.4k	

Table 6. Three reference point characteristic

Vwind[m/s]	Ng
4	15.4
5	24
6	34
12	140

Table 7. N_G differences for the first reference point

Vwind[m/s]	Ng
4	8
5	15.4
6	17
12	74

Table 8. N_G differences for the second reference point



Table 9. NG differences for third reference point

When k; rotor external voltage domain of system with PI controller, drops down from 10 to 2 in relation to figs. 21 to 68, P parameter of self tuning PI controller can control the system according to equation (9) and table 10; however, constant parameters of self tuning P controller control the system without change according to table 10, when domain of rotor external voltage source drops down.

P of PI	I of PI	P ₁ of P	P ₂ of P
8/k	.0001	.8	.1

Table 10. Parameters of Controllers

Simulation has been done for both PI, as shown in figs. 21 to 44 and P according to Figs. 45 to 68. Stator active and reactive powers delivered to the grid are controlled by both P and PI controllers; however it is seen that output responses of the system with P controller has less swing in relation to figs. 45 to 68 furthermore when k drops down from 10 to 2 according to the figs. 21 to 68 it is inferred that P controller can control the stator active and reactive powers with decreasing swing of them; however, PI controller controls the stator active and reactive and reactive powers without any change in them. Also torque speed curves show stability of machine and rotor currents are in sinusoidal form.



Fig. 21. Curve of torque-speed for typical v_{wind}=6m/s, k=10, Ng=34 and PI controller.



Fig. 22. Curve of rotor speed for typical $v_{wind}=6m/s$, k=10, Ng=34 and PI controller.



Fig. 23. Curve of stator powers for typical v_{wind} =6m/s, k=10, Ng=34 and PI controller.



Fig. 24. Curve of rotor current i_{ra} for typical v_{wind}=6m/s, k=10, Ng=34 and PI controller.



Fig. 25. Curve of torque-speed for typical $v_{wind}=6m/s$, k=2, Ng=34 and PI controller.



Fig. 26. Curve of rotor speed for typical v_{wind} =6m/s, k=2, Ng=34 and PI controller.



Fig. 27. Curve of stator powers for typical $v_{wind}=6m/s$, k=2, Ng=34 and PI controller.



Fig. 28. Curve of rotor current i_{ra} for typical v_{wind} =6m/s, k=2, Ng=34 and PI controller.



Fig. 29. Curve of torque-speed for typical v_{wind}=6m/s, k=10, Ng=17 and PI controller.



Fig. 30. Curve of rotor speed for typical $v_{wind}=6m/s$, k=10, Ng=17 and PI controller.



Fig. 31. Curve of stator powers for typical v_{wind} =6m/s, k=10, Ng=17 and PI controller.



Fig. 32. Curve of rotor current i_{ra} for typical v_{wind} =6m/s, k=10, Ng=17 and PI controller.



Fig. 33. Curve of torque-speed for typical v_{wind}=6m/s, k=2, Ng=17 and PI controller.



Fig. 34. Curve of rotor speed for typical $v_{wind}=6m/s$, k=2, Ng=17 and PI controller.



Fig. 35. Curve of stator powers for typical $v_{wind}=6m/s$, k=2, Ng=17 and PI controller.



Fig. 36. Curve of rotor current i_{ra} for typical v_{wind} =6m/s, k=2, Ng=17 and PI controller.



Fig. 37. Curve of torque-speed for typical v_{wind} =6m/s, k=10, Ng=3.8 and PI controller.



Fig. 38. Curve of rotor speed for typical $v_{wind}=6m/s$, k=10, Ng=3.8 and PI controller.



Fig. 39. Curve of stator powers for typical $v_{wind}=6m/s$, k=10, Ng=3.8 and PI controller.



Fig. 40. Curve of rotor current i_{ra} for typical $v_{wind}=6m/s$, k=10, Ng=3.8 and PI controller.



Fig. 41. Curve of torque-speed for typical v_{wind} =6m/s, k=2, Ng=3.8 and PI controller.



Fig. 42. Curve of rotor speed for typical v_{wind}=6m/s, k=2, Ng=3.8 and PI controller.



Fig. 43. Curve of stator powers for typical v_{wind} =6m/s, k=2, Ng=3.8 and PI controller.



Fig. 44. Curve of rotor current i_{ra} for typical v_{wind} =6m/s, k=2, Ng=3.8 and PI controller.



Fig. 45. Curve of torque-speed for typical v_{wind}=6m/s, k=10, Ng=34 and P controller.



Fig. 46. Curve of rotor speed for typical v_{wind} =6m/s, k=10, Ng=34 and P controller.



Fig. 47. Curve of stator powers for typical v_{wind} =6m/s, k=10, Ng=34 and P controller.



Fig. 48. Curve of rotor current i_{ra} for typical v_{wind}=6m/s, k=10, Ng=34 and P controller.



Fig. 49. Curve of torque-speed for typical v_{wind} =6m/s, k=2, Ng=34 and P controller.



Fig. 50. Curve of rotor speed for typical $v_{wind}=6m/s$, k=2, Ng=34 and P controller.



Fig. 51. Curve of stator powers for typical $v_{wind}=6m/s$, k=2, Ng=34 and P controller.



Fig. 52. Curve of rotor current i_{ra} for typical v_{wind} =6m/s, k=2, Ng=34 and P controller.



Fig. 53. Curve of torque-speed for typical v_{wind} =6m/s, k=10, Ng=17 and P controller.



Fig. 54. Curve of rotor speed for typical $v_{wind}=6m/s$, k=10, Ng=17 and P controller.



Fig. 55. Curve of stator powers for typical v_{wind} =6m/s, k=10, Ng=17 and P controller.



Fig. 56. Curve of rotor current i_{ra} for typical $v_{wind}=6m/s$, k=10, Ng=17 and P controller.



Fig. 57. Curve of torque-speed for typical $v_{wind}=6m/s$, k=2, Ng=17 and P controller.



Fig. 58. Curve of rotor speed for typical $v_{wind}=6m/s$, k=2, Ng=17 and P controller.



Fig. 59. Curve of stator powers for typical $v_{wind}=6m/s$, k=2, Ng=17 and P controller.



Fig. 60. Curve of rotor current i_{ra} for typical $v_{wind}=6m/s$, k=2, Ng=17 and P controller.



Fig. 61. Curve of torque-speed for typical v_{wind} =6m/s, k=10, Ng=3.8 and P controller.



Fig. 62. Curve of rotor speed for typical v_{wind} =6m/s, k=10, Ng=3.8 and P controller.



Fig. 63. Curve of stator powers for typical $v_{wind}=6m/s$, k=10, Ng=3.8 and P controller.



Fig. 64. Curve of rotor current i_{ra} for typical v_{wind} =6m/s, k=10, Ng=3.8 and P controller.



Fig. 65. Curve of torque-speed for typical v_{wind} =6m/s, k=2, Ng=3.8 and P controller.



Fig. 66. Curve of rotor speed for typical $v_{wind}=6m/s$, k=2, Ng=3.8 and P controller.



Fig. 67. Curve of stator powers for typical v_{wind}=6m/s, k=2, Ng=3.8 and P controller.



Fig. 68. Curve of rotor current i_{ra} for typical $v_{wind}=6m/s$, k1=2, Ng=3.8 and P controller.

9. Conclusion

As in this chapter a maximum power wind turbine is modeled with doubly fed induction machine and two P and PI controllers are designed to control stator active and reactive powers of simulated machine, according to the results, it can be concluded that:

- 1. Sensitivity of Q to K is more than sensitivity of P (especially in that of rotor).
- 2. The simulated doubly-fed induction machine with improved wind turbine, in generator mode, gives active power to the grid and takes reactive power from it.
- 3. In this system, gear ratio differs for different speeds and this variation is obvious especially in high speeds as adapting of turbine speed to induction generator speed in high speeds is more difficult.
- 4. By increasing r_{ex}, slope of torque-speed curve rises and speed of induction machine increases.
- 5. Sensitivity of P,Q and ω_{mr} to θ is very low.
- 6. Sensitivity of ω_{mr} to k is low and increasing of k, raises swing of ω_{mr} .
- 7. In a set point, with increasing k, machine losses declines.

- 8. PI voltage and P combinational self tuning controllers can both automatically control the system when rotor external voltage source domain of system drops down.
- 9. In a PI self tuning voltage controller, Stator active and reactive powers are controlled with the phase and amplitude of rotor external voltage but in P self tuning combinational controller those are also controlled by pitch angle and torque compensation whereas maximum turbine torque and power can be achieved anyway.
- 10. In PI self tuning voltage controller p parameter is tuned proportionally with the amplitude of modeled external rotor voltage but in P self tuning combinational controller proportional parameters are constant.
- 11. According to output curves, output responses of P self tuning controller are better with lower swing in comparison to PI self tuning output results.
- 12. A PI voltage controller is more economic for a new wind power plant.
- 13. A P combinational controller is suitable for wind power plants with pitch angle controller especially with power delivery more than 3000[w] which are promoted.
- 14. P controller can control the stator active and reactive powers with decreasing swings of them; however, PI controller controls the stator active and reactive powers without any change in them.
- 15. Simulated doubly fed induction generator delivers active power to the network grid and takes reactive power from it.

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