Simulation and Analysis of Modified DTC of PMSM

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ABSTRACT

This research paper describes the simulation and analysis of the modified DTC for Surface mounted Permanent Magnet Synchronous Motor (SPMSM) using PI controller. Among all of the various drive systems, PMSM is widely used for accurate speed and torque control, with greater efficiency, superior torque to inertia and high power density. The Conventional DTC scheme widely used for this purpose but it is failed to achieve desirable performance of the system for which the modified DTC scheme is proposed. The modified DTC algorithm controls the voltage vectors, directly from a simple look up table depending on outcome of the torque and indirectly flux controllers. The overall drive system can be implemented in SIMULINK/MATLAB environment. The modified DTC is validated with loading conditions. The simulated results are focused on the speed, settling time at loaded conditions, torque and flux linkages ripple and THD in the phase current for modified DTC applied to SPMSM.

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1. INTRODUCTION

The last few decades, Permanent Magnet Synchronous Motor (PMSM) has acquired more popularity in far ranging application and in the automation sector because of its compact size, high efficiency, small inertia and high reliability which is greater than the induction and dc motors [1]. It has similar properties like Wound Rotor Synchronous motor except that the PMSM has no damper windings and the Permanent magnets are used to provide the excitation to the motor instead of field winding [2].

The Direct Torque Control (DTC) is a viable control algorithm for PMSM. It does not require current controller and no motor parameters except the stator resistance, which gives the more benifits such as less parameters dependency, simple implementation and fast dynamic torque response [3]. The traditional DTC adopts hysteresis bands control strategy for implementation. But this method can not meet the system requirements for both the torque and flux linkage at the same time generates large fluctuations of flux linkage and torque by system which leads to problem of pulse current and causes switching noise due to change in switching frequency [4],[5].

In order to overcome these issues the modified DTC method is developed without using switching tables, to reduce the fluctuations of the torque and flux linkages of the system and THD % in the current spectrum of stator winding is low. In addition to achieve the fast torque response with indirect flux controllers [6]. In this paper, first the mathematical modeling of PMSM has been developed. Then the simulation of modified DTC of PMSM with two level inverter is carried out using SIMULINK/MATLAB.
2. **MATHEMATICAL MODELING OF PERMANENT MAGNET SYNCHRONOUS MOTOR**

The permanent magnets of PMSM are of a modern rare earth variety and it has high resistivity, so the induced currents of rotor are neglected. However the PMSM produces the rotor magnetic flux with permanent magnets attached to the rotor. It has superior advantages to obtain high efficiency. The stator of the PMSM and the Wound Rotor Synchronous Motor are same. The d-q reference frame theory offers significant control system design by transferring the stationary variables to rotating reference frame.

![Cross sectional view of Surface Mounted Permanent Magnet Machine](image)

**Figure 1. Cross sectional view of Surface Mounted Permanent Magnet Machine**

Depending on d-q reference frame theory from Figure 2, the mathematical equations of PMSM [7] can be expressed as following as in.

![Stator and rotor flux linkages in different reference frames](image)

**Figure 2. Stator and rotor flux linkages in different reference frames**

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\begin{align*}
V_d &= R_d I_d + \frac{d\lambda_d}{dt} - \omega_r \lambda_q \\
V_q &= R_q I_q + \frac{d\lambda_q}{dt} + \omega_r \lambda_d
\end{align*}
\]

(1)

(2)

where \(R_d\) and \(R_q\) are the Direct and Quadrature axis winding resistances which are equal and referred as \(R_s\) in the stator resistance. The excitation of PMSM can be modeled as a constant current sources and the quadrature current in the rotor is zero due to no flux along quadrature axis in the rotor. By this assumption, the flux linkages are derived as following as in

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\begin{align*}
\lambda_d &= L_d I_d + \lambda_f I_t \\
\lambda_q &= L_q I_q
\end{align*}
\]

(3)

(4)
where $\lambda_1$ is rotor flux along d axis and $L_d$ and $L_q$ are the Direct and Quadrature axis synchronous inductance. For a surface mounted machine (SPMSM) with uniform air gap $L_d = L_q = L_s$ and Substituting equation (3) and (4) in equations (1) and (2) then obtained [8] as

$$V_d = R_s I_d + L_d \left( \frac{dI_d}{dt} \right) - \omega_r L_q I_q$$  \hspace{1cm} (5)

$$V_q = R_s I_q + L_q \left( \frac{dI_q}{dt} \right) + \omega_r L_d I_d + \omega_r \lambda_1$$  \hspace{1cm} (6)

The Electromagnetic torque developed by the motor is given by equation (7)

$$T_e = \frac{3}{2} P (L_d I_q^2 + \lambda_1 I_q - L_q I_q I_d)$$  \hspace{1cm} (7)

And the mechanical torque $T_m$ is expressed as equation (8)

$$T_e - T_L = B \omega_m + \frac{J \omega_m}{dt}$$  \hspace{1cm} (8)

Where

- $P$ = no. of poles
- $\lambda_0$ = magnetic flux, wb
- $\omega_r$ = rotor speed in electrical rad/s
- $T_e$ = Electromagnetic torque, Nm
- $T_L$ = Load torque
- $J$ = Moment of Inertia
- $B$ = Friction coefficient

The stator fluxes of $\alpha$-$\beta$ axis for motor [9],[10] are given as equations (9) and (10)

$$\lambda_\alpha = \int (V_\alpha - R_s I_\alpha) dt$$ \hspace{1cm} (9)

$$\lambda_\beta = \int (V_\beta - R_s I_\beta) dt$$ \hspace{1cm} (10)

The stator fluxes of $\alpha$-$\beta$ axis are used for determine the sector of the flux vector and the circular trajectory of stator flux is divided into six sectors are referred to inverter voltage vectors. Then based on equations (9) and (10) the magnitude of the estimated stator flux and sector [5] are calculated as equation (11)

$$|\lambda_s| = \sqrt{\lambda_\alpha^2 + \lambda_\beta^2}$$ \hspace{1cm} (11)

$$\theta_s = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{\lambda_\alpha}{\lambda_\beta} \right)$$ \hspace{1cm} (12)

3. THE PRINCIPLE OF OPERATION OF MODIFIED DTC

The basic working principle of operation of conventional DTC is based on the errors between estimated and reference values of torque and stator flux linkages. This method is very popular due to its simplicity, high efficiency and robustness. However, in traditional DTC the current controller is not required. In this method, it generates large fluctuations of flux linkage and torque by motor which causes problem of current and switching noise due to higher switching frequency change.

The modified DTC method is implemented without using switching tables, hysteresis bands as Figure 3 shown below and the absence of switching table and hysteresis bands significantly reduce the torque and flux linkage ripples. Moreover, the percentage of Total Harmonics Distortion of Stator winding current spectrum is low and it require less settling time for rotor speed when the load is applied. The fast torque response can be achieved with indirect flux controllers.
3.1. Vector Modulation

Vector modulation can be implemented with the torque comparator and sector which is determined from the stator flux vectors. Three blocks of Look Up Tables (2-D) are used for implementation of code with the switching states of two level voltage source inverter as shown in Figure 4. These are applied to the corresponding look up tables for all six sectors are in Figure 5.

Where in the sector selection of Space vector modulation for two level inverter [11] as in Figure 5.
3.2. Two Level Voltage Source Inverter

The circuit of a three phase two level VSI is shown in Figure 6. The input of circuit is DC voltage $V_{dc}$ and the output voltages are applied to the SPMSM as load. The stator flux of a motor is controlled by voltage vectors. The rotation of stator flux is high then achieved the fast torque response.

3.3. PI Controller

A PI controller is used to estimate the torque from the difference between the reference and actual speed of the motor [12] as shown in Figure 7. The parameters of PI controller $K_p$ and $K_i$ should be matched and to achieve the high performance of the drive system. The most of the cases, a large value of $K_p$ will accelerate the dynamic response of the system and $K_i$ value influence the static error.

4. SIMULATION AND ANALYSIS OF RESULTS

The overall system consisting of the modeling of SPMSM, estimation of stator flux and torque block, determination of sector, comparator, Vector modulation and three phase two level inverter which are modeled based on mathematical equations from equations (1) – (12). In this paper, the motor parameters are consider [9],[13],[14] as shown Table 1. The simulation block diagram for modified DTC for SPMSM with PI controller represented in below Figure 8.
Table 1. The specification of SPMSM

| Motor Parameters               | Symbols | Values        |
|-------------------------------|---------|---------------|
| Stator Resistance             | Rs      | 2.875Ω        |
| D Axis Inductance             | Ld      | 0.0085H       |
| Q Axis Inductance             | Lq      | 0.0085H       |
| Flux induced in SPMSM         | λf      | 0.175 wb      |
| Momentum of Inertia           | J       | 0.0008 Kg·m²  |
| Friction Factor               | B       | 0.0001        |
| Poles                         | P       | 4             |

By using MATLAB/ SIMULINK, The output waveforms of modified DTC for SPMSM are compared with the conventional DTC in view of speed performance with no load and load condition, flux linkage, torque response and finally to estimate the perentage of THD for stator current spectrum and as obvious in the Figure 9-16. From these figures, the generations of fluctuations in are greatly reduced and attaining reference speed immediately with load disturbance.

4.1. Analysis the Speed Response of Modified DTC for SPMSM

Figure 9 and 10 describes the speed response of modified DTC for SPMSM as well as conventional DTC. The both drives are operated with reference speed of 175 rads/sec. for no load condition and load 6 Nm is applied at 0.5 sec. In case of conventional DTC, The speed of the motor consisting oscillations whenever load is applied at 0.5 sec. and the system requires time to reach the reference speed. Wherein the modified DTC, the fluctuations of speed response is very less, in addition the same load applied at 0.5 sec. the drive attains to rated speed immediately as shown in Figure 10.

Figure 9. Speed response of conventional DTC for SPMSM with PI Controller
4.2. The Estimated Stator Flux Vector

The circular trajectory of stator flux vector of modified DTC and conventional DTC of SPMSM with PI Controller are shown as Figure 11 and 12. From these circles of stator fluxes, the content of ripples in the flux trajectory of the modified DTC method is very low and which is very smooth circle.

4.3. The Estimated Torque Response

The torque responses of SPMSM with PI controller using three phase two level VSI at no load and load is applied 6 Nm at 0.5 sec.as shown in Figure 13 and 14. Whereas the torque response of modified DTC for PMSM is achieved fast and the percentage of ripples are low than the traditional DTC.
4.4. The Estimated Percentage of THD for Stator Current Spectrum

Finally from the Figure 15 and 16, it observed that the FFT analysis of the current spectrum, in the modified DTC is observed that the percentage Total Harmonic Distortion (%THD) can be calculated for the phase current vector of PMSM with PI Controller for 20 cycles with fundamental frequency and THD is recorded to be 31.84% which is less than conventional DTC (52.78%).

The performance characteristics of SPMSM drive with different DTC using PI controller is summarized in Table 2. In which the modified DTC schemes with fast and smooth responses with torque ripple 12.76% and %THD of stator winding phase current 31.84% as against to torque ripple 16.66% and %THD of stator current spectrum 52.78% of Conventional DTC.

| Type of DTC        | Current %THD | Torque Ripple (%) |
|--------------------|--------------|-------------------|
| Conventional DTC   | 52.78%       | 16.66%            |
| Modified DTC       | 31.84%       | 12.76%            |

5. CONCLUSION

This paper describes the modified DTC algorithm of Sourface Mounted Permanent Magnet Synchronous Motor with PI controller which is considered with replacing of switching table selector block and hysteresis controllers of flux and torque. The simulation results have shown that the modified DTC gives better performance of transient and steady state operation than the conventional DTC. In fact, it has a significant reduction of the torque and flux ripples and the flux was indirectly controlled. In addition it can be observed that the percentage of THD for current spectrum is 31.84%. It can be observed from the modified DTC which gives the smooth speed operation during transient and steady state conditions.
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