Modelling of Variable Speed Hydropower for Grid Integration Studies

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Abstract: This paper proposes a hydraulic model based on the Euler turbine equations suitable for the purpose of grid integration studies of variable speed hydropower (VSHP). The work was motivated by the need to assess how the dynamic performance might change when a hydropower plant is operated at variable speed. The Euler model considers the water flow dependency on the turbine rotational speed and calculates the turbine power as a non-linear function of water flow, turbine rotational speed and guide vane opening. A waterway model is included, based on the 1-D momentum and continuity balance for a water-filled elementary pipe to simulate water hammer, mass oscillation and tunnel losses. These detailed and accurate models are necessary for recognising possible limitations in the hydraulic system, to model the turbine power and rotational speed correctly and thereby to be able to maximise power delivery for system control purposes. All Euler model parameters can be derived from the physical dimensions of the turbine and waterway, ensuring easy implementation. State-space representation of the Euler model is approximated by utilising a lumped-parameter equivalent of the penstock dynamics. Dynamic simulations and eigenvalue analysis show the strength of the Euler model compared to conventional hydropower models.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Variable speed hydropower (VSHP) is a suitable source for delivering additional ancillary services to the grid by actively utilising the stored kinetic energy in the turbine and generator. By allowing the turbine rotational speed to deviate temporarily from its optimal speed, the VSHP can vary its output power quickly due to the converter technology, see Basic et al. (2018). In the first few seconds after a step response at the output power reference, the energy is delivered to or from the kinetic energy in the turbine and generator (Figure 1). Subsequently, the governor will react to the deviation in the turbine rotational speed and adjust the guide vane opening and thereby the mechanical power $P_m$ to regain the optimal speed of the turbine. With that, the VSHP can contribute more effectively to primary frequency control and the maintaining of grid stability. The VSHP plants will be able to provide fast frequency reserves in both production and in pumping mode, and the efficiency and operating range will potentially be wider than for conventional hydropower and other variable renewable sources without storage, see Valavi and Nysveen (2018).

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Fig. 1. Dynamic response when the VSHP output power is increased from 0.5 p.u. to 0.9 p.u. at $t = 5s$

The turbine and hydraulic system, including waterways, will experience new and different operating conditions when running at variable speed. When analysing the power system impacts and potential benefits of variable speed operation, we need to know which dynamic constraints and limitations concerning the technology need to be taken into account. Thus, in this context, there are several good reasons for revisiting the modelling and analysis of hydropower plants, which is the aim of this paper. A sufficiently detailed model of the system is needed to investigate the interactions between the VSHP plant and the grid: How can variable speed operation benefit the security and flexibility in power system operation? How can we explore the control possibilities from a system perspective while considering the limitations given by the water/turbine system? This requires the development of non-linear time-domain simulation models that include...
tunnels, with physical constraints on water flows, turbine, governor, generator with the magnetising system, generator-side converter and grid-side converter, and a representative test grid. This paper will focus on the turbine side of the generator by comparing four different turbine models, two of them including a waterway model, to examine how accurate the models are when subjected to large variations in turbine rotational speed.

The hydraulic system is modelled in different ways, depending on application and performance requirements. For example, the conduits in the hydraulic system can be modelled as electrical equivalent circuits, as presented in Sonza et al. (1999); Nicolet (2007) or as travelling waves, as suggested in Demello et al. (1992). These models can consider both penstock, surge tank and tunnel dynamics and losses. Hydroelectric turbine-governor simulation models for commercial simulation programs are reviewed in Koritarov et al. (2013). Except for the Hygov model, most of the existing models only consider the water starting time when modelling the conducts.

The simplest turbine models assume that mechanical power equals the water flow in per unit, see Koritarov et al. (2013) and Kundur (1994). Hygov and similar models in Koritarov et al. (2013) do also consider variation in the head, the damping and the losses by subtracting the no-load water flow. These models are linearised at the operational point, as seen in Sarasúa et al. (2015) or a linearized model can be found from the turbine characteristic chart at the operational point, see Fang et al. (2008). Hill diagrams are used to include the turbine efficiency in Belhadji et al. (2011). Turbine characteristics are used in Pannatier et al. (2010) and Padoan et al. (2010) to find the torque and flow when rotational speed and guide vane opening are given. The Euler turbine equations of Nielsen (2015) also consider the rotational speed. A one-dimensional numerical model of a Francis turbine based on the Euler equations, which includes a waterway model is presented in Giosio et al. (2016). This model is tuned with test data and utilises look-up tables to find churning losses and is utilised in a VSHP model with a doubly-fed induction machine (DFIM) in Nag and Lee (2018). Fang et al. (2008) present basic mathematical models for typical hydroelectric power plants and discuss how a turbine speed governor should be optimally tuned and how the physical dimensions of the waterway affect the dynamics. In Mohanpurkar et al. (2018), a transient stability analysis including VSHP with an elastic water column model, turbine model and DFIM is performed.

This paper is structured as follows: The models assessed for application to the analysis of variable speed hydropower models are described in Section 2. Section 3 presents the simulation result for four different hydraulic models and discusses the differences and strength of the models. The conclusions are summed up in Section 4.

2. VARIABLE SPEED HYDROPOWER MODELS

2.1 Waterway Model

To investigate how the hydraulic system and electrical system affect each other, the waterway model has to consider both water hammering and friction losses. Inelastic water column models are adequate for short penstocks; however, with longer penstocks, the effects of travelling waves and thereby the elasticity of the steel and the compressibility of the water must be considered. The derivation of the model starts with the 1-D momentum and continuity balance for a water-filled elementary pipe of length \(dx\) given as a partial differential equation in Wylie et al. (1993) which can be represented as (1), see Pico et al. (2012).

\[
\frac{\delta H}{\delta x} + \frac{1}{g_r A} \frac{\delta Q}{\delta t} + \frac{f}{2g_r DA^2} \cdot Q|Q| = 0
\]

\[
\frac{\delta Q}{\delta x} + g_r A \frac{\delta h}{\delta t} = 0
\]

The cross-section is \(A\), \(Q\) is the discharge, \(H\) is the head, \(g_r\) is the gravity, \(D\) is the pipe diameter, \(f\) is the local loss coefficient, and \(\alpha\) is the wave speed. Equation (1) can be per unitised to (3) by using the per unitised definitions of head and flow given in (2), see Pico et al. (2012).

\[
h_{p.u.} = \frac{H}{H_R}, \quad q_{p.u.} = \frac{Q}{Q_R}
\]

\[
\frac{\delta h}{\delta x} + \frac{Q h}{H_R g_r A} \frac{\delta Q}{\delta t} + \frac{f Q^2}{2g_r H_R DA^2} \cdot q|q| = 0
\]

By using Laplace transformation and neglecting the friction losses, (3) can be solved to find the transfer function of the flow rate \(qV\) and the water pressure \(h_U\) of the upstream inlet as a function of the downstream outlet flow rate \(qD\) and the water pressure \(h_D\) Nicolet (2007):

\[
\begin{bmatrix}
h_U(s)
q_U(s)
\end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix}
cosh(zT_c) & -Z_c \sinh(zT_c) \\
-Z_c \cosh(zT_c) & \cosh(zT_c)
\end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix}
h_D(s)
q_D(s)
\end{bmatrix}
\]

(4)

where the characteristic impedance is given as

\[
Z_c = T_w \frac{z}{T_e s}, \quad \text{where} \quad T_w = \frac{L}{g_r A H_R}, \quad T_e = \frac{L}{\alpha}
\]

The water inertia time constant, also known as the water starting time, is given as \(T_w\), \(T_e\) is the wave travel time and is the length of the waterway.

The classic wave solution given below considers both the elastic water hammer theory and the hydraulic losses as a hyperbolic tangent function. The derivation is shown in Brekke (1984).

\[
h(s) = \frac{q(s)}{T_e} \left(1 + \frac{f Q_R}{2DA s}ight)^{1/2} \tanh \left(\sqrt{s^2 + \frac{f Q_R}{2DA}} T_e\right)
\]

(6)
If the hydraulic friction losses are neglected, (6) can be simplified to

\[
\frac{h(s)}{q(s)} = -\frac{T_e}{T_c} \tanh (sT_e) = -Z_0 \tanh (sT_e) \tag{7}
\]

For small variations around the operating point, \(\tanh (sT_e) \approx sT_e\) and (6) can be simplified to

\[
\frac{h(s)}{q(s)} = -T_w s - H_f \tag{8}
\]

where \(H_f\) is the hydraulic friction losses. Neglecting these, (8) becomes

\[
\frac{h(s)}{q(s)} = -T_w s \tag{9}
\]

For small-signal stability analysis, (7) can be approximated by a lumped-parameter equivalent for \(\tanh (sT_e)\). With \(n_{\text{max}} = 0\) and \(T_c = 0.5s\) (inelastic water column), (10) is valid up to approximately 0.1 Hz, for \(n_{\text{max}} = 1\) it is valid up to about 1.0 Hz. Kundur (1994)

\[
\tanh (sT_e) = \frac{1 - e^{-2T_es}}{1 + e^{-2T_es}} \approx \frac{sT_e \prod_{n=1}^{n_{\text{max}}} \left(1 + \left(\frac{sT_e}{n\pi}\right)^2\right)}{\prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(1 + \left(\frac{2sT_e}{(2n-1)\pi}\right)^2\right)} \tag{10}
\]

The transfer function for surge tanks and air accumulators is given in Xinxin (1988) and rewritten as

\[
\frac{h(s)}{q(s)} = \frac{Q_R}{sHRA_{eqv}} = \frac{1}{sT_s} \tag{11}
\]

where the surge tank filling time \(T_s\) is defined as

\[
T_s = \frac{A_{eqv}H_R}{Q_R} \tag{12}
\]

The head loss \(h_f\) is the pressure drop over a length \(l\) of the penstock and can be expressed as Mansoor (2000)

\[
h_f = f_r \frac{l v^2}{2g_a} \tag{13}
\]

where \(f_r\) is the friction factor and \(d\) is the penstock diameter.

Figure 2 shows the non-linear model of the turbine including the surge tank and the travelling wave effects in the penstock, as presented in Demello et al. (1992). The model is based on (7), (8) and (11) and includes the losses in the penstock, the tunnel and the surge tank. It should be noted that the \(e^{-2T_es}\) term in (10) is a time delay in the time domain, ensuring a simple representation of the penstock dynamics.

2.2 Hydraulic Machine Simulation Models

Hydraulic turbine models have earlier been compared in, for instance, Koritarov et al. (2013). However, those models are relatively simple and do not consider variations in the turbine rotational speed. This paper presents a hydraulic turbine model based on the Euler turbine equations for grid integration studies of VSHP, and shows how three common hydraulic machine models are simplifications of the Euler equations.

The main part of the Euler turbine equations model is the Euler turbine equations (14) to (16) describing how the hydraulic power is transformed into mechanical rotational power. The model considers both guide vane opening, pressure, water flow and rotational speed and is used together with the waterway model (Figure 2) to also consider water hammer, mass oscillation and losses in the waterway, as shown in Figure 4. However, it does not consider the effect of acceleration on the flow through the runner and the angular acceleration of the water masses in the runner Nielsen (2015). The dimensionless turbine equations are derived in Nielsen (2015) where the dimensionless flow, head and angular speed of rotation are \(q_t = Q/Q_{Rt}\), \(h_t = H/H_{Rt}\) and \(\omega = \Omega/\omega_R\). Since the turbine parameters can be derived from its physical dimensions, no detailed and restricted turbine data are needed. The momentum and torque equations are given as
The equations model but has a simpler turbine model. The waterway model as the Euler turbine found by integration of the turbine head. This equation

\[ T_w \frac{dq}{dt} = h_t - \left( \frac{q_t}{\kappa} \right)^2 - \sigma (\omega^2 - 1) \]  

\[ T_w \frac{d\omega}{dt} = \frac{1}{\eta} q_t (m_s - \psi \omega) - P_g \]  

where \( P_g \) is the generator power, \( \kappa \) the opening degree of the turbine and the turbine parameters \( \sigma, \psi, \xi \) and \( \alpha_{1R} \) is found in Appendix A. The turbine head \( h_t \) and the hydraulic efficiency \( \eta_h \) are given as

\[ h_t = \left( \frac{q_t}{\kappa} \right)^2 - \sigma (\omega^2 - 1), \quad \eta_h = \frac{1}{h} (m_s - \psi \omega) \omega \]  

The state-space representation of the Euler model is derived by utilising a lumped-parameter equivalent (10) of the penstock dynamics (Figure 3).

The IEEE model Demello et al. (1992) shown in Figure 5 utilises the same waterway model as the Euler turbine equations model but has a simpler turbine model. The mechanical power \( P_m \) and the flow \( q \) are given by

\[ P_m = A_t h (q - q_{nl}) - D_t g \Delta \omega \]  

\[ q = g \sqrt{h} \]  

In an ideal turbine, the mechanical power is proportional to the flow \( q \) times the head \( h \). In this case, the no-load flow \( q_{nl} \) and the factor \( A_t \) are added to include a simple loss model. The equation includes the speed damping effect, depending on the guide vane opening \( g \). The relationship between the flow \( q \) and the guide vane opening \( g \) is derived from (14) and (15) by assuming stationary conditions, \( \omega = 1, Q_{Rt} = Q_R \) and thereby \( q_t = q \).

The Hygov model presented in (18) and Figure 6 assumes an inelastic water column, does not consider water hammer, mass oscillation or deviation in the rotational speed, and has a simplified relationship between the guide vane opening and the torque, Kundur (1994). The flow \( q \) is found by integration of the turbine head. This equation can be derived from (14) by assuming \( \omega = 1 \), setting \( h_t = 1 \) and utilising that \( q = g \sqrt{h} \) by assuming no turbine losses.

\[ P_m = A_t h (q - q_{nl}) - D_t g \Delta \omega \]  

\[ \frac{dq}{dt} = \frac{1}{T_w} (1 - h), \quad h = (q/g)^2 \]  

The linearised hydraulic turbine model presented in (19) and Figure 7 only considers the water starting time \( T_w \) Kundur (1994). The model is a linearisation of the Hygov model around the nominal operating point but without the speed damping term.

\[ P_m(s) = \frac{1 - T_w s}{1 + \frac{1}{2} T_w s} \]
Fig. 7. Linearised hydraulic turbine model

\[ g = \frac{1 - T_{g,s}}{1 + T_{g,s}} P_m \]

Fig. 8. Governor with PID control and without droop

2.3 Control Objectives and Design

The suggested main control objectives for the VSHP are:

- Control objectives for internal power plant control:
  - Optimise the rotational speed of the turbine with respect to the efficiency at part load
  - Minimise water hammering and mass oscillations
  - Minimise guide vane servo operation
  - Minimise hydraulic and electric losses

- Control objectives for the provision of power system support (ancillary services):
  - Contribute to primary frequency regulation
  - Increase the system inertia by virtual inertia control
  - Increase the voltage control speed

The achievement of the internal control objectives will to a great extent decide the constraints in reaching the power system support objectives. This paper will, therefore, primarily concentrate on modelling of the VSHP for achieving the internal control objectives.

2.4 Governor PID Controller without Permanent Droop

A governor with a PID controller and without permanent droop is presented in Figure 8 and (20). Droop control is not required since the grid converter performs power control. The PID controller output is saturated and rate limited.

\[ \frac{g}{\Delta \omega} = \frac{g}{\omega^* - \omega} = \frac{k_g d s^2 + k_g p s + k_g i}{s} \frac{1}{1 + T_G s} \]  

(20)

3. COMPARISON OF TURBINE MODELS

The demand for modelling of the turbine is different for a VSHP compared to a conventional hydropower plant because of the large variance and dynamics in turbine rotational speed. Dynamic and eigenvalue analyses are performed on four different turbine models with different levels of detail to find a suitable turbine model for grid integration studies of VSHP. Figures 9 and 10 show the step response of the VSHP after a step in, respectively, reference power \( P^* \) and reference turbine rotational speed \( \omega^* \) for the four different turbine models. The corresponding eigenvalue plots for different values of \( P^* \) and \( \omega^* \) in the particular operational points are shown in Figures 11 and 12. Together with the participation matrices in Figures 13 and 14, they are the basis for explaining how the models handle a varying turbine rotational speed.

Fig. 9. Comparison of turbine dynamics - step on \( P^* \) from 0.9 to 0.3 p.u. at \( t = 5 \) s.

Fig. 10. Comparison of turbine dynamics - step on \( \omega^* \) from 1.00 to 0.95 p.u. at \( t = 5 \) s.

A selection of the most important modes related to the turbine models is provided in the participation factor matrices and the colour represents the absolute value of the relative participation of the state variables in the modes.

The \( Euler \) and IEEE models have a mode pair and a single-pole related to the governor control loop; \( \lambda_{eul,7-8} \) and \( \lambda_{eul,10} \) for the Euler model and \( \lambda_{iee,5-6} \) and \( \lambda_{iee,10} \) for the IEEE model. The frequency of the governor mode pair is approximately 0.02 Hz and is recognised in Figures 9 and 10 as the oscillations with the largest amplitude and as the only mode pair in Figures 11 and 12. For the Euler and IEEE models, the eigenvalue plots in Figure 11 show that the relative damping of these modes decreases with increasing power output \( P^* \). This can be explained by the hydraulic efficiency, as shown in Figure 15; the relative losses are higher for cases with low power, and thereby the damping is better for these cases. Figure 12 shows that the damping of the IEEE modes related to governor control is less at low rotational speed. This
connection is more complex for the Euler modes related to governor control; the damping is less for high and low turbine rotational speed and higher for nominal rotational speed. The governor parameters must, therefore, be tuned for the worst-case operating points; the combinations of the minimum and maximum power and rotational speed.

The Linearised and Hygov models do not have any mode pair related to the governor control loop for most operating points. Generally, the lowest damping for these models is found for low power and high rotational speed.

The Euler and IEEE models include dynamics of the penstock, the headrace tunnel and the surge tank. The modes $\lambda_{eul,1-4}$ and $\lambda_{iec,1-4}$ are related to this phenomena, all of them related to the states in the lumped-parameter equivalent for tanh $sT_e$ (10), as observed from Figures 13 and 14. The water hammering is well damped when the guide vane closing time is longer than twice the elastic water time constant for the penstock. This is the case in Figures 9 and 10 where no water hammering is observed. If the guide vane opening time is faster than the reflection time of the pressure wave in the penstock, water hammering may occur.

The total hydraulic efficiency is presented as functions of, respectively, the turbine rotational speed $\omega$ and the turbine power $P_m$ in Figure 15. The efficiency of the IEEE model will, in contrast to the Hygov model, decrease for high turbine power since the waterway losses are included. As the rotational speed increases, the damping term of these two models will result in a decreasing efficiency.
When linearised, all four models have a similar complex mode pair and a real pole related to the governor control loop. The relative damping of the complex mode pair reduces with higher power levels and lower rotational speeds. The Euler and the IEEE models add dynamics related to the penstock, the headrace tunnel and the surge tank, and mass oscillations are recognised in the head and mechanical power.

The Linearised model is independent of both the power level and the turbine rotational speed. The Hggyov model has a very simplified model of the waterway and the head, and thereby the mechanical power during transients becomes inaccurate. A more detailed one-dimensional waterway model is included in the IEEE model; however, the simple turbine model does not consider that the turbine efficiency depends on the rotational speed and is a nonlinear function of the flow. For the Euler model, the Euler turbine equations are used directly to describe how the hydraulic power is transformed into mechanical power. This includes the dependency between the water flow and the rotational speed, and the representation of losses is more detailed. This is also the only model that considers that the turbine power will be reduced as the rotational speed reduces. The investigation of the turbine models shows that the variable speed operation of the hydropower plant causes the need for a detailed hydraulic model. Therefore, our conclusion is that the accuracy of the Euler model is needed for simulating the transients and variation in rotational speed that will take place in a VSHP. Further analysis will answer how this model interacts with the rest of the power system.

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Fig. 15. Hydraulic efficiency as function of turbine rotational speed $\omega$ and turbine power $P_m$. The efficiencies of the IEEE and Hggyov models as function of $\omega$ are equal.

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Appendix A. PARAMETERS, SET-POINTS AND VARIABLES

Table A.1. Parameters and set-points

| Parameter              | Symbol | Value  |
|------------------------|--------|--------|
| **Waterway**           |        |        |
| Rated water flow       | $Q_R$  | m$^3$/s |
| Rated height           | $H_R$  | m      |
| **Penstock**           |        |        |
| Water starting time    | $T_w$  | s      |
| Water traveling time   | $T_e$  | s      |
| Characteristic impedance| $Z_0$ | pa     |
| Friction factor        | $f_{p0}$| pu     |
| Storage constant       | $C_s$  | pu     |
| **Head race tunnel**   |        |        |
| Water starting time    | $T_{w2}$| s      |
| Friction factor        | $f_{p2}$| pu     |
| **Hydraulic Machine**  |        |        |
| Turbine gain           | $A_t$  | pu     |
| No-load water flow     | $q_{nl}$| pu     |
| Turbine mechanical damping | $D_t$ | pu     |
| Turbine constant       | $\psi$ | pu     |
| Turbine constant       | $\xi$  | pu     |
| Turbine constant       | $\sigma$| pu     |
| Rated speed            | $\Omega$| rpm     |
| Rated water flow       | $Q_R$  | m$^3$/s |
| Rated height           | $H_R$  | m      |
| **Governor**           |        |        |
| Rotational speed reference | $\omega^*$ | pu |
| Governor proportional gain | $k_{g,p}$ | pu |
| Governor integration gain | $k_{g,i}$ | pu |
| Governor derivation gain | $k_{g,d}$ | pu |
| Rate limit             | $[pu/s]$ | +/-0.05 |
| Servo time constant    | $T_C$  | s      |

Table A.2. Variables

| Variable              | Symbol   |
|-----------------------|----------|
| **Waterway**          |          |
| Surge tank head       | $h_{st}$ |
| Head race tunnel flow | $q_{hr}$ |
| **Hydraulic Machine** |          |
| Turbine head          | $h$      |
| Turbine water flow    | $q$      |
| Mechanical torque     | $T_m$    |
| Mechanical power      | $P_m$    |
| Turbine efficiency    | $\eta_t$ |
| Turbine head          | $h_t$    |
| Turbine flow          | $q_t$    |
| Opening degree of turbine | $\kappa$ |
| **Governor**          |          |
| Guide vane opening reference | $g^*$ |
| Guide vane opening    | $g$      |