Design and Real Time Digital Simulator Implementation of a Takagi Sugeno Fuzzy Controller for Battery Management in Photovoltaic Energy System Application

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ABSTRACT

This paper presents a comprehensive design and control strategy for a photovoltaic (PV) energy storage system. The system consists of a 2kW photovoltaic system, two converter circuits, a resistive load of 6 Ohm and a lithium-ion battery storage integrated with DC Bus applying constant power to the resistive load. This scheme offered two converter topologies, one is a boost converter and another is a DC/DC bidirectional converter. The boost converter is directly connected in series to the PV array whereas the bidirectional DC/DC converter (BDC) is connected to the battery. The boost converter is used to regulate the maximum power point tracking (MPPT) of the PV array. Closed-loop control of the bidirectional controller is implemented with Takagi-Sugeno Fuzzy (TS-Fuzzy) controller to regulate the battery charging and discharging power flow. The proposed scheme provides a good stabilization in the DC bus voltage. Simulation results of the proposed control schema under MATLAB/Simulink are presented and compared with the Proportional Integral (PI) controller. The simulation results obtained from MATLAB are verified on Real Time Digital Simulator (RTDS).

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NOMENCLATURE

| Symbol  | Description                                      |
|---------|--------------------------------------------------|
| $I_{pv}$ | Current from PV cell in amps                     |
| $I_o$   | Reverse saturation current of diode in amps      |
| $\eta$  | Diode ideality factor                            |
| $V$     | Voltage across diode in volts                    |
| $V_T$   | Thermal voltage in volts                         |
| $V_{mp}$| Voltage of PV array at MPP in volts              |
| $I_{mp}$| Current of PV array at MPP in amps               |
| $F_{sw}$| Switching frequency in kHz                       |
| $\Delta V$ | Output voltage ripple of boost converter        |
| $\Delta I$ | Output current ripple of boost converter        |
| $D$     | Duty cycle                                       |
| $V_{in}$| Input voltage of boost converter in volts        |
| $V_{oc}$| Open-Circuit voltage of PV array in volts       |
| $I_s$   | Short circuit current of PV array in amps        |
| $L$     | Inductor of boost converter in henry             |
| $I_o$   | Output current of boost converter in amps        |
| $C_2$   | Output capacitor of boost converter in farads    |
| $\Delta I_c$ | Ripple current of bidirectional converter      |
| $V_{oc}$| Voltage of DC bus in volts                       |
| $I_{sc}$| Short circuit current of PV array in amps        |

1. INTRODUCTION

Sustainable energy has played a vital role to control the global emission. Over the last few decades on average, 300GW renewable energy sources (RES) were grown in the year between 2018 and to reach the goal of the Paris agreement, according to the IEA’S Sustainable Development Scenario (SDC). A country like India has a significant advantages as there is a huge potential for sustainable energy resources. In 2023, the installed renewable energy capacity will be account for 35% [1]. The installed capacity of renewable energy in India is about 150GW in which wind power is 40.08GW, 49.34GW solar power, 10.61GW bio power, 4.83GW...
small hydro and 46.51 GW large hydro. The Government of India has targeted to expand the renewable energy installed capacity to 500 GW by 2030\(^2\). Photovoltaic power plays a significant role in power generation and has become essential due to the storage and the environmental impact. PV system is a non-linear system, hence it is too sensitive to determine the characteristics of the magnitude of the systems, which have the single point where the power is maximum. Faranda et al. [2] discussed that the power produced by the PV is more than 45%. Berrera et al. [3] discussed that the PV generation system has two problems i.e., the energy conversion efficiency is low due to the weather changes and hence the power generation of solar array is changed. Liu et al. [4] proposed that the PV array consists of non-linear characteristics, hence the I-V and P-V characteristics are always changing with weather conditions. Esram et al. [5] proposed the P&O method for the MPPT technique irrespective of different irradiation and temperature. Esram et al. [5] also proposed another method of MPPT i.e., the incremental conductance method (INC). The comparison of different types of technique in MPPT methods such as fuzzy controller, neural network, current sweep etc. is discussed in the literature [6-8]. The integration of the PV with the energy storage system (ESS) is an emerging research area. Usually, ESS is constituted by battery. However, the loads are also necessary when PV and battery storage system (BSS) are connected. Samadi and Saif [9, 10] presented the mathematical model for state-of-charging (SOC) estimation for battery management system. However, the performance of the controller in the presence of a non-linear system is not discussed. Based on the literature review, various control algorithms are proposed for the battery management system [11]. The proposed TS-fuzzy control algorithm is compared to the Proportional Integral (PI) control algorithm. The conventional PI controller gains value are fixed for the certain radiation and load. Any change in these values the controller output signal will not be appropriate [12, 13]. Moreover, PI controller has higher overshoot and undershoot values, which is reduced by the proposed controller. The performance of the controller is analyzed in terms of battery current, load current and settling time. In this paper, a circuitry modelling and control strategy of a 2kW PV energy storage system is presented. The PV array directly converts the sunlight into an electrical signal (DC). The DC output of the PV array is given to the boost converter to implement the MPPT. The maximum power is extracted by using Perturb & Observe (P&O) method. A 48 Volts, 200Ah lithium-ion battery is used for the energy storage system. Moreover, the simulation results show the performance parameter of the TS-Fuzzy controller.

2. PHOTOVOLTAIC ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEM

The proposed photovoltaic (PV) energy system is shown in Figure 1. The system is composed of a photovoltaic cell; a boost converter performs MPPT technique of a PV array through P&O algorithm, a 48V battery storage, connected through a bidirectional DC-DC converter. Some authors have proposed a classical controller scheme for the control mechanism of a bidirectional DC/DC converter. Though classical controllers have the advantage of non-zero steady-state error but also have the limitations associated with overshoot, undershoot, high settling time etc. [14]. Given the ongoing limitations, this paper proposes a sophisticated design of Takagi-Sugeno Fuzzy controller scheme.

2.1. Modelling of PV Cell

The equivalent circuit topology of a PV model is shown in Figure 2. The PV current (\(I_{PV}\)) is given by Equation (1) [15, 16].

\[
I_{PV} = I_0 + (1 - \frac{V}{V_T})
\]  

\[
I_{PV} = I_0(e^{\frac{V}{V_T}} - 1)
\]

Since, \(I_D = I_0(e^{\frac{V}{V_T}} - 1)\)

\[
I = I_{PV} = I_0\left(e^{\frac{V}{V_T}} - 1\right)
\]

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[2] https://www.investindia.gov.in/sector/renewable-energy
where $I_D$ represents the diode current depends upon voltage and temperature. Using the above equations, the PV array is modeled in MATLAB, from the data sheet of 1Soltech 1STH-215-P with a specified temperature of 25°C. The power–voltage curve of PV panel with different irradiation values is presented in Figure 3.

The parameters of the proposed PV system are shown in Table 1.

### 2.2. Design of Boost Converter

Figure 4 represents the circuit diagram of a boost converter used in this system. The switching frequency ($F_{sw}$) is considered as 5 kHz and the output voltage ripple ($\Delta V$) and output current ripple ($\Delta I$) are considered as 5% and 10%, respectively.

The design parameters of the boost converter are shown below [17]:

\[ \text{Duty Cycle}(D) = 1 - \frac{V_{in}}{V_o} \]  

\[ L = \frac{V_{in} D}{2 \Delta I F_{sw}} \]  

\[ C = \frac{I_D D}{\Delta V F_{sw}} \]

The parameters of the boost converter are illustrated in Table 2.

### 3. Maximum Power Point Tracker

The MPPT with PWM control method measure the current and voltage of the PV array and generates the duty cycle for the converter. Due to simplicity, ease of application, periodic tuning is not required and is used in both analogue and digital domains. Perturb & Observation (P&O) is preferred for maximum power point tracking (MPPT) [18].

The basic control actions for various operation points in the P&O method are shown in Table 3.

### 4. Bi-Directional DC/DC Converter

The bidirectional converters allow transferring of power of two DC sources in either direction. The converter consists of two switches $S_{buck}$ and $S_{boost}$, which manages the charging–discharging process as shown in Figure 5.

In the buck mode, switch $S_{buck}$ is on, stored energy in the inductor is supplied to the battery for charging purposes. For operation in buck mode, the inductor filter design is carried out as follows:

\[ L = \frac{(V_{dc} - V_{bat}) D}{\Delta I F_{sw}} \]

### Table 1. Parameters of proposed PV array

| Parameters                        | Values                      
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| PV array                          | 5 parallel string           |
|                                   | 2 series connected module   |
|                                   | per string                 |
| Total=2kWp                        |                            |
| PV array Open circuit voltage (Voc)| 36.3 V                     |
| PV array Voltage at maximum power point (Vmp) | 29V            |
| PV array Short circuit current (Isc) | 7.84A                      |
| PV array Current at maximum power point (Imp) | 7.35A                      |

### Table 2. Parameters of boost converter

| Parameters                        | Values                      
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Input voltage of boost converter  | 50-52 Volts                |
| output voltage of boost converter | 60 Volts                   |
| Duty Cycle                        | 0.15-0.75                  |
| Inductance                        | 1.7 mH                     |
| Output capacitance                | 1.786 µF                   |

### Table 3. Various control operation of P&O Algorithm

| Case | AV | AP | Voltage Control Action | Duty Cycle |
|------|----|----|------------------------|------------|
| 1    | +  | +  | Increase V by $\Delta V$ | Decrease   |
| 2    | -  | -  | Increase V by $\Delta V$ | Decrease   |
| 3    | -  | +  | Decrease V by $\Delta V$ | Increase   |
| 4    | +  | -  | Decrease V by $\Delta V$ | Increase   |
where, \( \Delta I_L \) and \( f_{sw} \) are the ripple current and switching frequency of the buck converter respectively. In the boost mode switch \( S_{\text{boost}} \) is on, inductor discharges the stored energy. For bidirectional converter operation in the boost mode, the inductor filter design value is carried out as follows:

\[
L_c = \frac{V_{\text{bus}} D_c}{\Delta V_{\text{bus}} f_{sw}}
\]  \hspace{1cm} (9)

\[
C_c = \frac{V_{dc} D_c}{\Delta V_{dc} f_{sw}}
\]  \hspace{1cm} (10)

\( \Delta V_{dc} \) is the ripple voltage of the boost converter respectively. The parameters of the bidirectional converter are illustrated in Table 4.

### 5. BATTERY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

To charge the battery bank, which is connected to the PV array as the energy storage system (ESS) battery management system (BMS) is used. The charging-discharging of the ESS depends on the power generated by the PV array [19]. If the total power is greater than the desired limit, the battery is charging or vice-versa. The initial state of charge (SOC \%) of the battery is considered 80\%. Here, TS-fuzzy logic controller is used for BMS.

The Takagi-Sugeno model is considered as an exact representation of the non-linear system. In general, there are two approaches for designing the TS-fuzzy model.

1. Identify the input-output data for the system.
2. Derivation from the given non-linear system.

In this system, load voltage \( (V_L) \)/current \( (i_L) \) are taken as input variables for designing the TS-fuzzy controller. Input signals are fuzzified by means of two linguistic memberships (MFs) values; \( L \) and \( H \) for low and high respectively as shown in Figure 6.

**TABLE 4. Parameters of bidirectional converter**

| Parameters | Values |
|------------|--------|
| \( C \)   | 500 \( \mu \)F |
| \( L \)   | 1 \( mH \) |
| \( f_{sw} \) | 5kHz |

Here we choose a nonlinear term: \( i_L \)

Because the average current is about 21 A

Therefore, we define the range: 0-24

\[
\begin{align*}
M_{11}(i_L(t)) &= \frac{1}{24} i_L(t) \\
M_{12}(i_L(t)) &= 1 - \frac{1}{24} i_L(t)
\end{align*}
\]  \hspace{1cm} (12)

The model rule \( i \) (Buck Mode):

If \( q_1(t) \) is \( M_{l1} \)

Then, \( \dot{x}(t) = A_i x(t) + B_i u(t) + E_i v(t), \quad i = 1, 2 \)

where, \( q_1(t) \): The non linear term \( M_{l1} : \) The \( i \)th Membership function

Control Rule \( i \) (Buck Mode):

If \( q_1(t) \) is \( M_{l1} \)

Then \( u(t) = F_i x(t), \quad i = 1, 2 \)

where, \( F_i \) = Control gain

The closed loop TS-Fuzzy control signal (Buck Mode):

\[
\dot{x}(t) = \frac{1}{60} V_c(t)
\]  \hspace{1cm} (13)

Another nonlinear term: \( V_c \)

Because the average DC bus voltage is about 58 V

So we define the range: 0-60

\[
\begin{align*}
M_{21}(V_c(t)) &= \frac{1}{60} V_c(t) \\
M_{22}(V_c(t)) &= 1 - \frac{1}{60} V_c(t)
\end{align*}
\]  \hspace{1cm} (14)

Model Rule \( i \) (Boost Mode):

If, \( q_1(t) \) is \( M_{P1} \), \( q_2(t) \) is \( M_{P2} \)

Then, \( x(t) = A_i x(t) + B_i u(t) + E_i v(t), \quad i = 1, 2, 4 \)

where, \( q_1(t), q_2(t) \): The non linear term \( M_{P1, M_{P2}} : \) The \( i \)th Membership function

Control Rule \( i \) (Boost Mode):

If, \( q_1(t) \) is \( M_{P1} \), \( q_2(t) \) is \( M_{P2} \)

Then, \( u(t) = -F_i x(t), \quad i = 1, 2, 4 \)

where, \( F_i \) = Control gain

The closed loop TS-Fuzzy control signal (Boost Mode):

\[
\dot{x}(t) = \frac{1}{60} V_c(t)
\]  \hspace{1cm} (15)

**Figure 5.** DC/DC non-isolated bi-directional converter

**Figure 6.** Membership function of TS-Fuzzy control
6. RTDS IMPLEMENTATION AND RESULT DISCUSSION

The real time simulator is powerful modulator, distributed real time simulator, implemented on MATLAB/Simulink model-based design using hardware-in-loop and off-line simulation. The architecture of RT-LAB is shown in the Figure 7.

It consists of host and target. The host is a Personal Computer in which MATLAB and RT-LAB are loaded. The target machine includes Intel Xeon E3 V5 CPU, Kintex-7 FPGA, 325T, 326,000 logic cells, and 840 DSP slice. The TCP/IP connects target machine and the host computer. The host PC interfaces and communicates with the target through Ethernet. Digital Storage Oscilloscope is used for data observation and verification of real simulation. According to the RT-LAB naming convention, the subsystems are named with a prefix identifying their function. The prefixes are described as SM_main subsystem (always one). It contains the computational elements of the model. In this scheme, blocks namely PV model, boost converter, bidirectional converter, battery and load are assembled to construct SM_main subsystem (Figure 8). SC_main subsystem (at most one): In general, it includes all user interface blocks. In this scheme, blocks namely scope and manual switches are used as shown in Figure 9.

The step size of the simulation is 0.02 ms. Firstly, the closed loop control of the bidirectional converter is implemented in the RT-LAB by using PI Controller. Then the proposed TS-Fuzzy controller is implemented to modify the performance of the parameter.

The real time results of PI controller are shown in Figure 10. It is demonstrated in Figure 10 (a) that when the solar isolation is 1000W/m², the battery is charging. With a decrease in solar isolation there is a decreased in the produced power and the battery goes discharging. In the discharging mode, the battery current (Ibat) flows in reverse direction shown in Figure 10(c). An overshoot is observed during charging mode in case of PI controller.

The overshoot is eliminated in TS-Fuzzy controller. Remarkable ripple in battery current is found with PI but with TS-Fuzzy controller, it is eliminated shown in Figure 11(d).

Figure 7. RT-LAB Simulator architecture

Figure 8. Configuration of the SM_main subsystem

Figure 9. Configuration of the SC_main subsystem

Figure 10. RTDS Hardware results for PI Controller (top to bottom) (a) SOC (20V/div), (b) Vbat (10V/div), (c) Ibat (5V/div)

Figure 11. RTDS Hardware results for TS-fuzzy controller (top to bottom) (a) irr (250V/div), (b)SOC (20V/div), (c) Vbat (10V/div), (d) Ibat (5V/div)
7. SIMULATION RESULTS

Simulated results of the PV system are shown in Figure 12. Figure 12(a) shows that at t=0 to 1.5s, the irradiation is 1000W/m², output voltage of PV array is 60V and the current is 40A. At t=1.5 s to 3s the irradiation decreases at 0 W/m², the voltage and current of the PV array decreases 0V and 0A respectively are shown in Figures 12(b) and 12(c). The DC bus voltage maintain the constant voltage around 60 Volts as shown in Figure 12(d). Meanwhile, from Figure 10(e) it observes that the system can track the maximum power of 2kW with the irradiation of 1000W/m².

The second set of simulations show the closed-loop TS-Fuzzy controller. Figure 13(a) shows the battery state of charging (SOC %) increases from t=0s to 1.5s. The SOC of the battery is reduced from 1.5s, the battery current i.e. \( I_{bat} \) is reversed in direction and the battery voltage \( V_{bat} \) is given a step change from 52 volts to 51 volts as shown in Figures 13(b) and 13(c). Therefore, the BMS starts.

Here, performance parameters of different Controllers are illustrated in Table 5.
TABLE 5. Performance parameters of different controllers

| Controller | Ref [13] | Proposed TS-Fuzzy |
|------------|----------|-------------------|
| OverShoot(s) | 0.05 | 0.002 |
| Undershoot(s) | 0.55 | 0.035 |
| Overshoot(s) | 0.4 | 0.002 |
| Undershoot(s) | 0.43 | 0.003 |
| Settling Time | 61s | 13.682ms |

8. CONCLUSION

The proposed energy management system proves better performance with TS-Fuzzy controller than PI controller. Due to the advantage of less overshoot, rise time and fast dynamic response the TS-Fuzzy controller is preferred. The battery management system is used to charge and discharge the battery according to the generated power of the system. This is verified using performance parameter of the controllers. Two controller schemes PI and TS-Fuzzy have been simulated in MATLAB/SIMULINK environment and at RT-LAB. The results obtained are analyzed and performance have been compared to identify the best performer in similar conditions.

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پیشنهاد یک طراحی جامع و استراتژی کنترل برای یک سیستم ذخیره انرژی فتوولتائیک (PV) ارائه می‌کند. این سیستم شامل یک سیستم فتوولتائیک کیلوواتی، دو مبدل، یک بار مقاومتی اهم و یک ذخیره‌سازی باتری لیتیوم بونی است که با باس DC پیکاریه شده است. این طرح دو توپولوژی PV مبدل تقویت کننده مبتنی بر MPPT استفاده می‌کند که برق ثابتی به بار مقاومتی وارد می‌شود. این طرح دو توپولوژی کنترل دو طرفه DC/DC (BDC) با استفاده از کنترل تک‌سطحی Takagi-Sugeno Fuzzy (TS-Fuzzy) برای تنظیم جریان شارژ و تخلیه پایین است. نتایج شبیه‌سازی در MATLAB/Simulink با کنترل‌کننده‌ی کنترل سازی PI (MATLAB/RTDS) بهبود زمان‌بندی و کنترل شده است.