Design Radial-Flux Mini Permanent Magnet Generator

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Abstract: Utilization of renewable energy, such as water and wind always has constraints in the form of varying and not constant water or airflow velocity so that a generator is capable of working in that condition. This study aims to design a permanent magnet generator with a size calculated based on a target output power of 500 watts. The dimensions of the generator produced are calculated by the equation and produce a rotor diameter and core length of 108 mm and 52 mm. The generator is designed to have 18 slots, 16 poles and 3 phases. The generator is tested with different speed variations and no load. No-load test results with variations in the speed of 50 rpm, 250 rpm, 500 rpm, and 1000 rpm produces a voltage of 11.30 volts, 56.52 volts, 113.04 volts, 169.53 volts, and 226.08 volts. After that, the generator is tested with load variations 5 Ω, 10 Ω, 15 Ω, and 20 Ω in order to get the value of its power and efficiency. The highest power produced at a speed of 500 rpm is 580.791 watts. The highest power produced by the generator is at a speed of 1000 rpm which is 1170.53 watts. The highest efficiency produced by this permanent magnet generator is 79.76%.

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I. INTRODUCTION

Growth in population is increasing, this is directly proportional to the increasing amount of energy consumption. Electrical energy is one of the most widely used energy. Electricity consumption in the period 2000-2014 experienced an average growth of 6.8% per year [1]. With this growth, various methods are carried out so that the electrical energy needs are met. One way to do this is to use renewable energy.

One of the electrical energy devises to utilize renewable energy that is developed is a generator. Generator is a device to convert mechanical energy into electrical energy [2]. In a renewable electric energy generator, mechanical energy is the conversion of primary energy such as water and wind. Utilization of renewable energy such as water and wind always has constraints, where the speed of water and airflow varies and is not constant so it takes a generator that is able to work in these circumstances [3]. Generators that are able to work in these circumstances are permanent magnet generators.

Permanent magnet generators are very efficient to use because they work well at low rotational speeds [4]. Then in the manufacture and also scale-up of permanent magnet generators it is very easy to design generators with certain power capacities, certain voltages and certain work speeds by simply changing parameters such as magnetic flux, number of coils and number of turns, the number of magnets and diameter of wire [5]. Permanent magnet generators are divided into two, based on the magnetic flux produced, namely axial flux permanent magnet generators and radial flux permanent magnet generators [6].

II. METHODOLOGY

A. Data Collection

The data used in this design are dimension generator data and reference sheet data from the material. Dimension data is taken from standards established in the International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC) standard.

B. Variable

The variables in this study were divided into two, namely the design variable and test variable.

a. Design Variable

1. Dimensions of Permanent Magnet Generators

\[ D^2L = \frac{Q}{1.11\pi^2B_{av}\alpha cK_w n_s 10^{-3}} \]

2. Size of Stator and Rotor Slots

Fig 1: Stator Topologi
\[ S_s = p \cdot q \cdot m \]

calculate Stator tooth \((W_{ts})\):
\[ W_{ts} = \frac{p \cdot B_g \cdot A_{pr}}{S_s L_i B_{ts}} \]

Calculate area of rotor pole \((A_{pr})\):
\[ A_{pr} = \tau_p L_i \]

Stator pole pitch \(\tau_p\):
\[ \tau_p = \frac{\pi D}{p} \]

Effective length core \(L_i\):
\[ L_i = L \cdot K_{stack} \]

Diameter Rotor \(D_r\):
\[ D_r = D - 2 \cdot l_g \]

Stator yoke \(Y_s\):
\[ Y_s = \frac{\phi}{2 L_i B_{ts}} \]

Wide hole stator \(A_{as}\):
\[ A_{as} = \frac{A_{w} N_s}{F F} \]

Calculate the area of a conductor’s path:
\[ A_w = \frac{I_{ph}}{f} \]

Calculate the diameter of a conductor \(d_w\):
\[ d_w = \sqrt{\frac{4 \cdot A_w}{\pi}} \]
\[ b_{s1} = \frac{\pi (D_r + 2h_{os} + 2h_{w})}{S_s} - b_{ts} \]
\[ b_{s2} = \sqrt{\frac{4 \cdot A_{as} \cdot \tan \frac{\pi}{S_s}}{b_{s1}}} + b_{s1}^2 \]
\[ h_s = \frac{2 \cdot A_{as}}{b_{s1} + b_{s2}} \]

Out side diameter \(D_o\):
\[ D_o = D + 2 \cdot (h_s + h_{os} + h_{w} + Y_s) \]

Magnetic Thickness:
\[ PC = \frac{t_m}{l_g \cdot C_{\phi}} \]

Factor concentration flux:
\[ C_{\phi} = \frac{A_m}{A_g} = \frac{2 \alpha_m}{1 + \alpha_m} \]

Wide air gap:
\[ \alpha_m = \frac{\tau_m}{\tau_p} \]

b. Test Variable

The test variable is a generator testing variable in the form of input from the generator and generator load.

1. Input Generator

The test variable for generator input is based on non-constant air and water flow velocity, so that the generator is tested with different speeds, namely a range of 100 rpm - 1000 rpm.

2. Load Generator

The generator is connected to the load which aims to produce the current value as well as to find out the power produced by the generator. In addition, the provision of load also aims to determine the characteristics and efficiency of the generator. In this case the load given is 5 ohms - 20 ohms.

C. Design and Simulation

Mathematical calculations of permanent magnet generators are calculations to obtain values from the size or geometry of the generator. This mathematical calculation will produce a measure of the dimensions of the permanent magnet generator, namely \(D^2L\), where \(L\) is the core length and \(D\) is the diameter of the air gap. In addition to producing the main dimensions, the calculation will also produce stator, rotor and magnet size values. This calculation requires parameters as shown in table 1 below.

| Parameter                        | Value          |
|----------------------------------|----------------|
| Power, \(P\)                     | 500 Watt / 588 VA |
| Specific magnetic loading, \(B_g\) | 0.9 T          |
| Specific electric loading, \(a_c\) | 12.000 A/m     |
| The angular velocity, \(N_s\)    | 500 rpm / 8.3 rps |
| Winding factor, \(k_w\)          | 0.945          |
| Power factor, \(\cos \theta\)    | 0.85           |
| Number of Phasa, \(N_{ph}\)      | 3              |
| Frequency, \(f\)                 | 50 Hz          |
| Flux Density in Stator teeth, \(B_{ts}\) | 1.5 T          |

Tabel 1:- Input parameter perhitungan Matematis Generator
From the input parameters above, obtained the geometry specifications of the permanent magnet generator shown in table 2.

| Parameter Description                                      | Value   |
|------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| Stator outer diameter (D_h)                                | 190 mm  |
| Inside diameter of the slot hole (D_e)                     | 170 mm  |
| Inside diameter of the stator (D_c)                        | 110 mm  |
| Air gap stator and rotor (l_g)                             | 1 mm    |
| Outer diameter of the rotor (D_r)                          | 108 mm  |
| Magnetic outer diameter (D_i)                              | 105 mm  |
| Inner diameter of the magnet (D_a)                         | 98 mm   |
| Diameter shaft                                            | 20 mm   |
| Magnet length                                             | 16 mm   |
| Magnet Thickness (L_m)                                     | 4 mm    |
| Teeth Length                                              | 26.9 mm |
| Teeth height (L_t)                                        | 3 mm    |
| Teeth Width (W_t)                                         | 11 mm   |
| Distance between slots (L_tg)                              | 4.15 mm |
| Stator and rotor core length (L_a), magnet (L_h)           | 52 mm   |
| Thick Yoke (Y_s)                                          | 10 mm   |
| Number of pole (p)                                        | 16 pole |
| Number of slot (Q_s)                                      | 18 slot |

Table 2: Geometry specifications of permanent magnet generators

From the above specifications, the permanent magnet synchronous generator stator is designed as shown in Figure 2, and the results of the rotor design are shown in Figure 3.

Fig 2: Stator 18 slot 2D permanent synchronous generator design results

Fig 3: The design of a 16 pole rotor 2D permanent magnet generator

The geometry design of permanent magnet generators will be given the composite material for each component. The components of a permanent magnet generator consist of the air box, stator, air gap, rotor, magnet, cooler, and shaft. The material making up the simulation of a permanent magnet generator is shown in table 3.

| Komponen           | Material                              |
|--------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Stator             | Non-Oriented M1000-100A Silicon Steel |
| Rotor              | Non-Oriented M1000-100A Silicon Steel |
| Air Box dan Air Gap| Air                                   |
| Permanent Magnet   | Neodymium Iron Boron: 48/11           |
| Coil               | Copper: 5.77e7 Siemens/Meter          |
| Shaft              | Air                                   |

Table 3: Composite Material simulation of permanent magnet generator

Giving material to the stator and rotor is soft magnet material, this material shows its magnetic characteristics only when subjected to magnetic forces such as magnetic fields generated by permanent magnets or currents that cross the coil that surrounds these laminates. The most widely used soft magnet is silicon steel. The presence of silicon in steel can increase the resistivity volume to reduce eddy currents and reduce hysteresis. The silicon content in steel is approximately 0.5%-3.25%. In addition, the use of soft magnetic materials also reduces the reluctance of the magnetic circuit, increases the saturation of the flux density, reduces losses and increases in temperature.

Figure 4 shows the results of designing a permanent magnet generator on the Magnet software.
The generator works by changing the input in the form of rotational speed or angular speed (radians per second) and torque (Newton meters), producing an output in the form of a voltage (volts) and currents (amperes). The generator rotates with input through shafts from the turbine. Input from the turbine is turbine rotational speed, and torque is given.

In the simulation various variations of angular velocity will be tried. The parameters set in this simulation are the angular rotor speed (ω), and time. The speeds that were tried in this simulation were speeds at 50 rpm, 250 rpm, 500 rpm, 750 rpm, and 1000 rpm.

The rotor is part of a rotating generator. The rotor will rotate by 360° for 1 spin. Rotational speed in units of rpm (rotation per minute) means that in one minute the rotor will rotate once, then it will be changed in units of degrees per second wherein one second the rotor will rotate by 360°, so that,

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\begin{align*}
50 \text{ rpm} & \rightarrow \frac{50 \text{ rpm} \times 360°}{60 \text{ s}} = 300°/\text{s} \\
250 \text{ rpm} & \rightarrow \frac{250 \text{ rpm} \times 360°}{60 \text{ s}} = 1500°/\text{s} \\
500 \text{ rpm} & \rightarrow \frac{500 \text{ rpm} \times 360°}{60 \text{ s}} = 3000°/\text{s} \\
750 \text{ rpm} & \rightarrow \frac{750 \text{ rpm} \times 360°}{60 \text{ s}} = 4500°/\text{s} \\
1000 \text{ rpm} & \rightarrow \frac{1000 \text{ rpm} \times 360°}{60 \text{ s}} = 6000°/\text{s}
\end{align*}
\]

The designed permanent magnet generator is an 18s16p permanent magnet generator, so to form one sinusoidal wave the rotor only needs to spin around 360° / 8 = 45°. In this simulation the rotor will be rotated per 3°, so it needs to know-how much time it takes the rotor to rotate for 3°.

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\begin{align*}
\text{Time at a speed of 300 rps when the rotor rotates 3°:} & \\
\text{Waktu pada kecepatan 300 rps saat rotor berputar 3°} & \rightarrow \frac{3° \times 1 \text{ s}}{300°} = 0.01 \text{ s}
\end{align*}
\]

From the above calculation, we get the input parameters of permanent magnet generator on the Magnet software. The following calculation data is summarized in table 4.

| RPM  | RPS | Stop Time | Interval/3° |
|------|-----|-----------|-------------|
| 50   | 300 | 0.15      | 0.01        |
| 250  | 1500| 0.03      | 0.002       |
| 500  | 3000| 0.015     | 0.001       |
| 750  | 4500| 0.0100005 | 0.0000667   |
| 1000 | 6000| 0.0075    | 0.0005      |

Table 4: Input Simulation parameters in Magnet software

1. Generator Circuits in Magnet Software

Making the circuit is the stage of making a circuit that is in a generator. The generator consists of 18 slots, this means there are 18 coils that will be connected to make 3 phases. In this design, the circuit configuration that will be made is a star configuration consisting of 6 series and 3 parallel so that it will get 3 phases.

In this study, a no-load circuit was created and a circuit with a load. For a no-load circuit will produce an inter-phase voltage value and the average DC the voltage used to

Fig 4:- Permanent magnet generator in the Magnet software

Waktu pada kecepatan 1500 rps saat rotor berputar 3°
\[
\frac{3° \times 1 \text{ s}}{300°} = 0.002 \text{ s}
\]

Time at a speed of 3000 rps when the rotor rotates 3°:

Waktu pada kecepatan 3000 rps saat rotor berputar 3°
\[
\frac{3° \times 1 \text{ s}}{3000°} = 0.001 \text{ s}
\]

Time at a speed of 4500 rps when the rotor rotates 3°:

Waktu pada kecepatan 4500 rps saat rotor berputar 3°
\[
\frac{3° \times 1 \text{ s}}{4500°} = 0.000667 \text{ s}
\]

Time at a speed of 6000 rps when the rotor rotates 3°:

Waktu pada kecepatan 6000 rps saat rotor berputar 3°
\[
\frac{3° \times 1 \text{ s}}{6000°} = 0.0005 \text{ s}
\]
determine the Back EMF constant, while a circuit with a load will produce voltage and current so that the power will be generated by the generator. The load used is the load on the obstacles 5 Ω, 10 Ω, 15 Ω, 20 Ω. Figure 5 shows the circuit without load and Figure 6 shows the circuit with a load.

III. RESULT AND DISCUSSION

A. Voltage and Back EMF Constant

Table 5 shows a summary of the voltage produced by the generator at each speed. This data shows that the faster the rotor in the generator rotates, the greater the voltage generated. This is in accordance with the rules of the right hand. In this no-load simulation, the result is only a voltage and does not produce a current, because the generator is not connected to the load. There is a value of Ke or Back EMF constant which indicates that this generator is the same generator with different tests.

| Speed (rpm) | Average Voltage (V) | Ke |
|-------------|---------------------|----|
| 50          | 11.30458            | 2.16 |
| 250         | 56.52263            | 2.16 |
| 500         | 113.0445            | 2.16 |
| 750         | 169.5258            | 2.16 |
| 1000        | 226.0858            | 2.16 |

Table 5: Voltage produced by the generator at each speed

B. Input Power

The test results as shown in table 6, if the load increases, the torque will be smaller, so the impact on input power.

| Speed (rpm) | Input Power (P.In) watt |
|-------------|------------------------|
| 50          | 24.186                 |
| 10 Ω        | 15.18726               |
| 15 Ω        | 11.5012                |
| 20 Ω        | 9.505                  |
| 250         | 356.1318               |
| 10 Ω        | 263.4993               |
| 15 Ω        | 203.8163               |
| 20 Ω        | 171.0234               |
| 500         | 744.1821               |
| 10 Ω        | 738.532                |
| 15 Ω        | 645.0334               |
| 20 Ω        | 547.0084               |
| 750         | 1020.257               |
| 10 Ω        | 1144.466               |
| 15 Ω        | 1122.992               |
| 20 Ω        | 1018.604               |
| 1000        | 1160.117               |
| 10 Ω        | 1474.974               |
| 15 Ω        | 1504.114               |
| 20 Ω        | 1510.637               |

Table 6: Input Power

In this test when the speed is less than 500 rpm, if the load increases the torque is smaller so that the input power decreases. While at speeds of 750 rpm to 1000 rpm, the generator has a peak load at a load of 10 Ω, can be seen in Figure 7 and table 6.

C. Output Power

Output power is the result of the conversion of angular velocity (ω) and torque (τ) which produces voltage (V) and Current (I) by the generator. Table 7 shows the values of the output power with load variations at angular speeds of 50 rpm to 1000 rpm.

| Speed (rpm) | Output Power (P. Out) watt |
|-------------|----------------------------|
| 50          | 16.77699                   |
| 10 Ω        | 10.00969                   |
| 15 Ω        | 7.100117                   |
| 20 Ω        | 5.4283                     |
| 250         | 275.6034                   |
| 10 Ω        | 208.7378                   |
| 15 Ω        | 161.0911                   |
| 20 Ω        | 136.2341                   |
| 500         | 551.8332                   |
| 10 Ω        | 580.791                    |
| 15 Ω        | 514.4797                   |
| 20 Ω        | 428.9553                   |
| 750         | 742.2479                   |
| 10 Ω        | 870.5873                   |
| 15 Ω        | 878.2817                   |
| 20 Ω        | 803.9555                   |
| 1000        | 822.104                    |
| 10 Ω        | 1103.002                   |
| 15 Ω        | 1145.662                   |
| 20 Ω        | 1170.53                    |

Table 7: Output Power

Figure 8 presents the data in graphical form, it appears that the higher the speed, the value of the power produced is also greater, but the generator also has a maximum load level, this can be seen in the variation of the speed of loading, such as the speed of 500 rpm. At a speed of 500
rpm, if the generator is given a load of $5 \Omega - 10 \Omega$ the resulting in power increases, but after being given an increase in load from $10 \Omega - 20 \Omega$ the resulting in power decreases, this also occurs in other speed variations. From the results of this experiment, if you want to optimize the performance of the generator, then the generator must function according to a certain speed and loading, so that the generator can work optimally.

![Graph of Output Power Against Speed](image)

**Fig 8:** Graph of Output Power Against Speed

D. Efisiensi

The simulation results of the efficiency of the generator that have been designed are shown in table 3.4. The efficiency of this generator changes due to the influence of the input value which is in the form of changing speed so that the generator torque also changes. In addition to the conversion into electricity, there are losses in the form of Eddy currents and iron losses in the stator and rotor material.

| Speed (rpm) | Efficiency (η) |
|-------------|----------------|
| 5  Ω        | 0.6936         |
| 10 Ω        | 0.659          |
| 15 Ω        | 0.6173         |
| 20 Ω        | 0.5719         |
| 50          | 0.77388        |
| 250         | 0.7904         |
| 500         | 0.7976         |
| 750         | 0.782          |
| 1000        | 0.7748         |

**Table 8:** Efficiency

From the simulation data in table 3.4, it can be seen that the worst efficiency occurs when the load is 20 Ω at 50 rpm because it is only able to convert 57% energy. At the speed of 500 rpm, the smallest efficiency when loading 5 Ω is equal to 0.72%. The best efficiency occurs when loading 15 "at a speed of 500 rpm converts 79.76% of energy. In detail, it can be seen in Figure 9.

![Efficiency Curves Against Speed](image)

**Fig 9:** Efficiency Curves Against Speed

IV. CONCLUSION

This permanent magnet generator mini design has been successfully designed with a back-emf constant value of 2.16, with the number of turns obtained the highest power produced at a speed of 500rpm is 580,791 watts. While the highest output power generated by the generator is at a speed of 1000 rpm which is 1170.53 watts, and the lowest power at a speed of 50 rpm, which is equal to 5,4283 watts. The highest efficiency of this permanent magnet generator is 79.76%.

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