A Study for Control Power System Load Flow by Shield Control of High-TC Superconducting Cable

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Abstract

Objectives: HTS cable was shown high temperature characteristic of the superconducting tape by sharp increase resistance on fault state. This paper proposes by controlling the HTS shield part to stable transmission in power system.

Methods/Statistical Analysis: HTS cable was divided mainly three parts that was former, conductor, and shield part. To be performance the HTS cable designed by comparison low error value with real HTS cable property and, developed by controlling shield parts by using mutual inductance change. Findings: The HTS power cable was controlled load flow by adjusting the shield part. Improved the HTS cable was limited current above 64% better than HTS cable in installed the fault current limiter. Therefore, HTS cable could be improved power stability in the power system.

Improvements/Applications: The HTS shield control might be controlled power flow and limited fault current. It wasn’t necessary for installing other device by controlling HTS cable shield part. So, proposed the HTS cable model was applied in economic and effective device in power system.

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1. Introduction

Supply of electric power should be always satisfied power demands in power system. Recently, the power system has been requested high density power in high-rise building and urbanism. The power system has being saturated transmission capacity. However, conventional power cable is difficult to transfer large capacity. The HTS (High-Temperature Superconducting) cable has transmission ability of 3~5 times in the same voltage level and size than conventional cable in underground transmission lines. So, the HTS cable has been progressed a lot of research about usable means in high-density metropolitan area. The HTS cable has been characterized to be transferred large current by low loss in zero resistance on steady state. The HTS cable has shown the sharp change resistance by passing transmission current above critical current on transient state. It was raised the superconducting tape temperature by occurring resistance on above critical current in the HTS cable. This mechanism is restricted to the fault current by sudden resistance occurrence of transmission line in the HTS cable fault state. Generally, the HTS cable was designed for stable protection in the cable fault state.

This study focused on control method in power system by using the HTS cable modeling. The HTS cable was modeled as electrical characteristic by using BISSCO type (1st generation superconducting tape). Conformity to the simulation model was proved through test result by comparing HTS cable model data with demonstration data. Proven the HTS cable model was reviewed about applied method by installing HTS cable on the power system. This test was protected the HTS cable through current magnitude in superconducting tape according to steady/transient state. This paper proposes to controlled mutual impedance in the shield part.

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of HTS cable. The cable was presented fault impedance when it was appeared transmission current above critical current on transient state in power system. The HTS cable was protected power system by changing the superconducting tape resistance. However, HTS cable was damaged by rising the superconducting tape temperature according to large fault current. So, this paper was simulated with use the variety protection method for limiting current. First, installed the FCL (Fault current limiter) devices. Second, installed the thyristor switch for changing impedance by adjusting the control switch angle. For protecting the HTS cable, using to the FCL and CB (Circuit Breaker). The proposed the HTS cable wasn’t needed to installed FCL devices because it was protected the fault current by controlling the shield line impedance of the HTS cable. Simulation result, the power stability was improved to control power flow of HTS cable in power system. HTS cable was applied from the design plan in order to protect and operate in the power system.

1.1 Model of the HTS Cable

The HTS cable structure was showed cross section in Figure 1. Conductor part was transferred the current on the superconducting tape. Shield part cable was occurred current of same magnitude the conductor part as 180 degree phase shift by electron induction. Former and stabilization part were protected conductor and shield part when the steady state was maintained the configuration of HTS cable, and the transient state was passed the fault current. Superconducting tape was lost the superconducting state to variation of resistance characteristic by changing temperature and current.

It was showed the HTS cable electrically equivalent model in Figure 2. Conductor part was consisted two superconducting layers, and shield part was consisted one superconducting layer. The former and stabilizer was used copper to protect each superconducting.

R-I characteristic was showed equation (1). It was relative HTS voltage and current that transmission parameter and temperature of superconducting.

\[ R_{HTS} = \frac{V_{HTS}}{I_{HTS}} = r_c\left(\frac{I_{HTS}}{I_{c_{HTS}}}\right)^{n-1} \]  

(1)

Here, \( R_{HTS} \) was operation resistance, and \( r_c \) was critical resistance in HTS cable. Critical current was about experiment equation 

\[ I_{c_{HTS}} = aT_{oper}^2 + \beta T_{oper} + \gamma \]  

(2)

Here, \( T_{oper} \) was the operation temperature in HTS cable. \( \alpha, \beta, \) and \( \gamma \) were temperature parameter in HTS cable as shown in Table 1.

1.2 Compared Demonstrated Test with Simulation Test of the HTS Cable

The HTS cable has been tested to 2/3 of rated current (800Arms) that was measuring and simulation current value as shown in Table 2. Each measuring data was the conductor and shield part current. The current of HTS cable

![Figure 2. Electrical Model of the HTS cable.](image)

![Figure 1. Cross section and cable core of the HTS cable structure.](image)

Table 1. Heat parameter of the HTS cable

| Parameter | Value    |
|-----------|----------|
| \( \alpha \) | 0.001617 |
| \( \beta \)  | -0.30584 |
| \( \gamma \) | 19.8     |

Table 2. The demonstration and simulation comparison value

| Current \([A_{rms}]\) | Conductor Part | Shield Part | Error |
|-----------------------|----------------|-------------|-------|
| Demonstration         | 800            | 744         | 93%   |
| Simulation            | 812            | 739         | 91%   |
| Model error           | 1.5%           | 0.7%        |       |
was showed errors between demonstration and simulation value that was 1.5 % (conductor part) and 0.7 % (shield part), respectively. These errors were considered as the heat characteristic and AC loss effects in the HTS cable.

The HTS cable current wave was shown compare with demonstration and simulation result in Figure 3.

1.3 The HTS Cable on Three Phase Unbalanced

The HTS cable has been tested the simulation result to compare with each part as shown in Table 3. It was transferred the unbalanced current (unbalanced ratio 30%). The error between the demonstration and the simulation value of the shield part was larger relatively than that of the conductor part (the maximum error 6.5%) show in Figure 4 and Figure 5.

2. Proposed Work

A Protection relay or over-current limit devices were needed in order to control within the critical current on transient state of the HTS cable. The HTS cable has been based on protecting the quench limit characteristic curve by using calculation for each transmission line parts of calculated from thermal balance equation.

The HTS cable was transferred to large current than conventional cable. Fault state of the HTS cable was appeared more large current than steady state. So, HTS cable was used the FCL (Fault Current Limiter) device to reduce the fault current. This paper proposes another method to control HTS cable impedance by using thyrisor switch in shown Figure 6. Simulated test has been measured for current and temperature of the superconducting tape. Fault current of HTS cable was limited under critical current. Proposed method has been shown similar characteristic with FCL device.

The HTS cable was implanted the power system shown in Figure 7. It was indicated the HTS cable specification as shown in Table 4.

Table 3. Compared with the demonstration and simulation value in each parts

|       | Conductor[A rms] | Shield[A rms] |
|-------|------------------|---------------|
|       | Test Sim | Error | Test Sim | Error |
| W phase | 795 | 810 | -133 | 15 | 728 | 684 | 47 | 44 |
| R phase | 636 | 626 | 107 | 10 | 572 | 599 | -77 | 27 |
| B phase | 636 | 639 | -13 | 3 | 572 | 609 | 172 | 37 |

Figure 3. Demonstration test and simulation results. (a) was demonstration test, and (b) was simulation result.

Figure 4. Demonstration test and simulation results. Figures were current waveform on HTS cable conductor part of each phase. Unbalanced ratio was 30%. (a) was demonstration test, and (b) was simulation result.

Figure 5. Demonstration test and simulation results. Figures were current waveform on HTS cable shield part of each phase. Unbalanced ratio was 30%. (a) was demonstration test, and (b) was simulation result.

Figure 6. Simulated test result of HTS cable. Case 1 was not used other equipment. Case 2 was protected HTS cable by applying SFCL (Superconducting Fault Current Limiter). Case 3 was protected HTS cable by controlling impedance. (a) was fault current magnitude of HTS cable, and (b) was heat characteristic of HTS cable.
Case 1 for the HTS simulation wasn’t protection devices in fault state that was shown the large current and temperature shown in Figure 8.

The HTS cable power system was setup the SFCL device for protect fault state. Case 2 was added the SFCL in the HTS cable power system shown in Figure 9. The SFCL impedance was calculated, as (3). It was appeared the zero impedance in steady state. Fault state was limited fault current by generating impedance.

\[ Z_{sc}(t) = Z_2 \left[ 1 - \exp \left( \frac{t - t_0}{T_2} \right) \right] \] (3)

It has been applied the SFCL in the power system shown in Figure 10. Case 2 was simulated to examine current and heat fault state of HTS cable with SFCL.

Power flow was controlled the thyristor phase by using the mutual impedance between conductor and shield. It has been using the thyristor device for protecting the HTS cable power system shown in Figure 11.

The current waveform and heat was superconducting tape by switching thyristor 0 degree shown in Figure 12. The thyristor switching time was 1.01 sec.

![Figure 9. Model to protect HTS cable by using SFCL. (a) was model for current limit device, and (b) was HTS cable power system to apply the SFCL.](image)

![Figure 10. Dynamic characteristic of HTS cable system by applying SFCL. Fault duration for simulation was 0.5[sec]. (a) was current wave form of the superconducting tape, and (b) was heat of the superconducting tape.](image)

![Figure 11. Proposed HTS cable simulation model. (a) was electrical characteristics between the conductor and shield, and (b) was controlled the line impedance in the HTS cable.](image)

![Figure 12. Dynamic characteristic of HTS cable system by controlling shield superconducting through thyristor switching. Fault duration for simulation was 0.5[sec]. (a) was current waveform of the superconducting tape, and (b) was heat of the superconducting tape.](image)

### Table 4. Specification in the HTS cable

| Items            | Specification |
|------------------|---------------|
| Rated Voltage    | 22.9 kV       |
| Rated Current    | 1,250 A       |
| Capacity         | 50 MVA        |
| Length           | 500 m         |
| Cable Type       | 3 cores in one cryostat |
| Dielectric Type  | Cold dielectric |

![Figure 7. Installed HTS cable in the power system.](image)

![Figure 8. Dynamic characteristic of HTS cable system. Fault duration for simulation was 0.5[sec]. (a) was current wave form of the superconducting tape (b) was heat of the superconducting tape.](image)
power flow and limited fault current. It wasn't necessary for installing other device by controlling HTS cable shield line. So, this model was applied in economical and effective device in power system. Improved HTS cable was considered application for the power system in future.

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