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Abstract—The harmonic state-space, the dynamic phasor, and
the generalized dq modeling are three methods developed for
linearization of ac power electronic systems. This paper reveals
explicitly mathematical relationships between the three modeling
methods in both time and frequency domain. Representations of
linearized models in different reference frames and from time
domain to frequency domain, as well as their transformations are
elaborated step by step. Case studies on a three-phase voltage-
source converter that is connected to an unbalanced grid verify
the theoretical findings.

I. INTRODUCTION

AC power electronic systems are widely found in modern
power grids, driven by the large-scale integration of renewable
power generation. Their control dynamics tend to interact with
the power grid and lead to control-interaction issues in a wide
frequency range [1]. It is of paramount importance to model
and analyze the dynamics of converter-based power systems.
The linearized modeling methods are commonly used, as they
allow the use of small-signal analysis based on eigenvalues or
frequency domain tools.

To retain control dynamics of ac converter-based systems,
the state-space averaging (SSA) over the switching period is
generally applied [2], [3], which yields an averaged dynamic
model that is essentially nonlinear and time-periodic. The
conventional way to model such systems is to apply the Park
transformation first to establish a time-invariant system in the
synchronous reference (dq) frame, and then the linearization
around equilibrium points of the system can be conducted to
obtain a linear time-invariant (LTI) model [4]. The dq-frame
model can be represented with real vectors [5], [6] or complex
vectors [7]-[10], and even be transformed back to the
stationary reference (αβ) frame [11], [12]. However, these
models only apply to balanced three-phase systems. In the
presence of unbalanced or harmonically distorted voltage,
the time periodicity is also present in the dq frame. Consequently,
their dynamics cannot be characterized by the aforementioned
models.

To characterize the time-periodic dynamics in unbalanced
or harmonically distorted ac systems, three modeling methods
are developed: 1) the harmonic state space (HSS) modeling
[13]-[18]; 2) the dynamic phasor (DP) modeling [19]-[22]; 3) the
generalized dq (GDQ) modeling [23]-[25].

The HSS characterizes frequency responses of linear time-
periodic (LTP) systems [26], thus a prior linearization directly
around the steady-state trajectories is required [27], [28]. The
HSS model results in a harmonic transfer function (HTF) in
the frequency domain, which is, essentially, an LTI transfer
function matrix, revealing dynamic couplings between the
Fourier coefficients of harmonics [29]. The HSS modeling has
been used for dynamic analyses of single-phase converters
[13], modular multilevel converters [15], [16], and three-phase
converters in unbalanced grids [17], [18]. While originally
derived with real-valued LTP models, it is later found that the
HSS model can also be used to represent complex-valued LTP
models, which facilitates the integration of closed-loop control
dynamics into power stages of converters [16], [17], [30].

The DP model is derived from the generalized averaging
(GA) operator [31], [32]. Given a fixed system fundamental
frequency, the GA operator calculates the Fourier coefficients
of time-periodic variables over a moving time window [31].
The time-periodic system can thus be transformed into
multiple time-invariant systems represented by differential
equations of these Fourier coefficients. Then, the linearization
around their equilibrium points can be performed [33]. This
method has been widely applied to model power converters in
unbalanced grid conditions [19], [22] or with multiple
harmonics [20], [21]. The GA can be in general applied in any
reference frame and to either real-valued or complex-valued
variables [22].

The GDQ model is derived based on GDQ transformation
[23], which similarly yields time-invariant systems in multiple
dq reference frames. The idea was initiated in [34] to model an
unbalanced ac system. However, the multiple dq-frame model
in [34] overlooked the couplings between different dq frames,
since the unbalanced system is still time-periodic in dq frames.
This flaw was addressed in [23] by invoking the principle of
harmonic balance. The GDQ modeling is recently applied to
multi-level modular converters [24], [25].

The three modeling methods have been developed based on
different principles for a long time, until a few recent works
exploring their relationships. The equivalence between the
HSS model and DP model has been implicitly discussed in
[35], since the DP model yields the same state-space matrices
as the HSS model. Their relationships were further thoroughly
studied in [33], [36], [37]. In [36], the DP model was claimed
as less accurate than the HSS model, considering that the high-
frequency dynamics was assumed to be neglected for the DP
model. In [33], the linearization principles of the two methods
were discussed, i.e., the HSS model is based on linearization
around the time-periodic trajectories, whereas the DP model is
based on linearization around the time-invariant points. In
[37], the equivalence of two methods was proved by the
eigenvalue analysis of the state-space matrices, through a
comparative study on a converter system. For the GDQ
modeling, its equivalence to applying the DP modeling in the
αβ frame was studied in [38] by proofs in the complex space.
The equivalence of the GDQ model and HSS model was
studied in [39] based on the principle of harmonic balance using Fourier series, and their relationships were explained by the complex phase impacts. However, these works merely apply GDQ transformations without considering the initial phase impacts. Such initial phase impacts cannot be avoided in multiple-converter systems, since the initial phases of their steady-state trajectories could be different [8], [12].

While the equivalences of these models have been proved by the eigenvalue analysis [37], [38] and been explained based on the harmonic balance [33], [39], there is still lack of a discussion on the common mathematical basis that leads to the model equivalence. Furthermore, the explicit mathematical relationships among the principles of these methods are still missing. This paper is thus dedicated to filling in these gaps by

- Clarifying the common mathematical bases of linearized modeling methods for ac power electronic systems. It is revealed that the system steady-state frequencies can determine an orthogonal basis for the time-invariant representation of ac systems.
- Unveiling mathematical relationships among principles of the HSS, the DP, and the GDQ modeling methods. It is found that the HSS (HTF) model can be derived from the DP model through a Laplace transformation, whereas the DP model can be transformed from the GDQ model through an initial phase rotation.
- Elaborating how different modeling methods eventually yield a unified stationary-frame HTF model, which can characterize the ac-side and dc-side frequency couplings for ac converter systems.

The rest of the paper is organized as follows. Section II reveals the common mathematical basis for the linearized modeling of ac systems. Section III derives the mathematical relationships of the HSS, the DP, and the GDQ modeling, which are verified on a three-phase voltage-source converter under unbalanced grid conditions in Section IV. Section V finally concludes the paper.

II. MATHEMATICAL BASES

The mathematical bases of different linearized modeling methods are reviewed in this section, including the definition of equilibria for ac systems, the transformations for model representations and their properties in relation to the linearization are introduced. Finally, the common mathematical basis of different modeling methods is summarized.

In the following derivations, variables without any subscript, e.g., \( x(t) \), can be defined in any reference frame and can be either real-valued or complex-valued. If with the subscript “\( \text{ref} \)” or “\( \text{dq} \)”, the variables are defined in the corresponding reference frame. Variables in bold letters, e.g., \( \mathbf{x}(t) \), indicate the complex-valued variable representation. Variables with capital letters or the subscript “0” represent the equilibrium point or the steady-state trajectory. “\( \Delta \)” before variables denotes the small-signal dynamics. \( \mathbb{R} \) denotes the real number set, \( \mathbb{Z} \) denotes the integer set, \( \mathbb{C} \) denotes the complex number set.

A. Equilibria of AC Systems

The small-signal model is derived based on the linearization around the equilibrium of a system. The equilibrium of a system is defined as \( x_0(t) \), where \( x \) can represent any variable in the system and can be either real or complex.

For a time-invariant system, its equilibrium stays at a fixed point [40], which satisfies

\[
\frac{dx_0(t)}{dt} = 0.
\]

For an ac system that is time \((T)\)-periodic, where \( T \) is the fundamental period, its equilibrium travels along a trajectory or orbit periodically [40], which satisfies

\[
x_0(t) = x_0(t+T).
\]

A \( T \)-periodic dynamic system may have multiple frequency components of \( k f_n \), where \( f_n = 1/T \) \((\omega_n = 2\pi f_n)\). Its steady-state trajectory can be presented based on Fourier series expansion:

\[
x_0(t) = \sum_k X_k e^{j\omega_k t} \in \mathbb{R} \text{ or } \mathbb{C}. \quad (3)
\]

This implies that the equilibria of a \( T \)-periodic system can be represented by the time-invariant Fourier coefficients, i.e.,

\[
\begin{bmatrix}
X_{-1} & \cdots & X_0 & \cdots
\end{bmatrix}^T,
\]

with the set of exponential functions \( \{k \in \mathbb{Z} | e^{j\omega_k t}\} \) serving as an orthogonal basis [41].

Due to the orthogonality of the basis functions, these Fourier coefficients are linearly independent to each other. Consequently, any variables in a \( T \)-periodic system can be represented by the linear combination of their Fourier coefficients.

It is worth noting that the linearization does not necessarily require a time-invariant representation of the system. There are thus two ways of linearized modeling for ac systems. The first way is to apply a direct linearization around the \( T \)-periodic trajectory of an ac system, yielding an LTP system [27]. The HSS modeling follows this principle [26].

The second approach is to transform the ac system into a reference frame that yields a time-invariant representation of the system. Then, the system is linearized as an LTI model. This is the general idea of the DP modeling and the GDQ modeling. Transformations used for time-invariant representations are introduced in Part B, and the linearization is introduced in Part C. Then the common mathematical basis of different modeling methods is summarized in Part D.

B. Transformations

The averaging operator and DQ/GDQ transformations are commonly used to model ac systems as time-invariant systems. The complex transformation is recently used to further simplify the model representation and coordinate transformations [7].

In the following discussions, transformations are elaborated based on signals, yet some of them also apply to systems, provided that they are reversible, i.e.,

\[
y = Gu \Rightarrow Py = PGu = PGP^{-1}Pu.
\]

where \( u \) and \( y \) are the input and output, \( G \) represents the system model, and \( P \) represents the transformation.
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I) Averaging Operators

The averaging operator applies an integral operation within a time window T to a T-periodic signal. There are two well-known averaging techniques: i) the SSA given by

$$\tau(t) = \frac{1}{T} \int_{t-T}^{t} x(\tau) d\tau,$$

and ii) the GA given by

$$\langle x \rangle_k(t) = \frac{1}{T} \int_{t-kT}^{t-(k+1)T} x(\tau) e^{-jk\omega_s T} d\tau = x_k \text{ for } k \in \mathbb{Z}.\quad (6)$$

The SSA only retains the dynamics less than \(\omega_s/2\), \(\omega_s=2\pi /T\), which is usually used to filter out the switching dynamics of converters by choosing \(T\) as the switching period. It is noted that for ac converter systems, the SSA over a switching period still leads to a time-periodic system, whose period is related to the fundamental frequency of the ac system.

The GA calculates the \(k\)-th Fourier coefficient of the time-periodic signal, which is also based on the Fourier series expansion, i.e.,

$$x(t) = \sum_{k} \langle x \rangle_k(t) e^{jk\omega_s T} \in \mathbb{R} \text{ or } \mathbb{C}.\quad (7)$$

Differing from (3), the resulted Fourier coefficient by GA is represented with the denotation of “\(\langle \cdot \rangle_k\)”, which is an instantaneous variable including the small-signal dynamics, i.e., \(\langle x \rangle_k(t) = X_k + \Delta x_k\). Thus, it is also named as dynamic phasor (DP). The SSA is a special case of GA with \(k=0\).

Hence, the GA enables to characterize dynamics beyond the phasor (DP). The SSA is a special case of GA with a time window

The following derivation for simplicity. If needed, the zero-sequence dynamics can be modeled independently.

Similar to the GA, the \(dq\) transformation also realizes a time-invariant representation of the ac system, yet its principle is different from the Fourier series expansion shown in (7), since it merely applies a phase rotation related to \(\theta\). And the resulted time-invariant presentation is only valid when the three-phase system is balanced.

The phase rotation \(\theta\) in the \(dq\) transformation is frequency- and time-dependent. When it is considered in the small-signal modeling, it can be defined in two ways, in respect to the frames of reference [8]:

a) \(\theta = \omega_s t + \varphi_s\), where \(\omega_s\) is the system steady-state frequency and \(\varphi_s\) is the initial phase. The initial phase is usually considered, such that the derived \(dq\) frame model is aligned with the \(dq\) frame that is used for the converter control implementation. With this \(\theta\), the ac signal is transformed into a \(dq\) reference frame that is named as the system \(dq\) frame.

b) \(\theta = \omega_s t + \varphi_s + \Delta \theta = (\omega_s + \Delta \omega) t + \varphi_s\), where a phase variation \(\Delta \theta\) is considered additionally, which results from a frequency variation \(\Delta \omega\). This rotation is typically used to model converter control systems, since the control is implemented in its own \(dq\) frame, where the phase dynamic originates from the synchronization control unit. Thus, the reference frame with this transformation is named as the local \(dq\) frame (or control \(dq\) frame as called in [5]).

It is important to note that the transformation into local \(dq\) frame is essential to characterize the phase dynamics brought by the synchronization control of converters [5]. However, the derived model can be represented in either system \(dq\) frame or local \(dq\) frame, and the system \(dq\) frame is recommended. See Part C-2) for more elaborations. For the GDQ transformation introduced in Part B-4), only the representation in system \(dq\) frame will be discussed.

3) Complex Transformation and Its Extension

The stationary or synchronous reference frame variables can be represented by using real-space vectors or complex-space vectors [7], [42], [43]. In time domain, their transformation can be realized by a complex transformation [42] matrix given by

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_{\alpha} \\ x_{\beta} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_u \\ x_v \end{bmatrix}, \quad (8)$$

which also applies to \(dq\) frame variables. It is noted that the second complex variable in the left vector is the conjugate of the first one, yet it is in theory not negligible, since it is linearly independent of the first one. The complex-vector representation can deal with frequency-related transformations using exponential functions, which benefits in modeling the system frequency-coupling dynamics by complex transfer functions [7], [11], [12]. Fig. 1 shows the time-domain mathematical relationship of the \(dq\) transformation in real and complex spaces [30], [42], [43]. For simplicity, the four frames for the time-domain ac variable representation are called as real \(ab\) frame, real \(dq\) frame, complex \(a\bar{b}\) frame, and complex \(dq\) frame in the rest of the paper. It is seen that the \(dq\) transformation can be denoted in a more compact form using \(e^{j\omega}\) and \(e^{j\varphi}\) as diagonal elements in the transformation matrix, indicating that the \(dq\) transformation merely results in a frequency shift in the frequency domain.
The complex transformation can also be extended based on the Fourier series expansion. When the ac variables are represented by DPs of the \(a\beta\)-frame variables, the complex transformation needs to be applied to each order of DPs, i.e., \(\{x_{a\beta}\}_{k}\) and \(\{x_{a\phi}\}_{k}\), yielding a higher-order transformation matrix as shown in Fig. 2. It is noted that the inputs and outputs of this transformation are both complex-valued, thus the transformation is named as extended complex transformation for distinction. It also applies to DPs or Fourier coefficients derived from \(dq\)-frame variables.

4) GDQ Transformation with SSA

The \(dq\) transformation can be generalized in unbalanced or harmonically distorted conditions as the generalized \(dq\) (GDQ) transformation [23] given by

\[
\begin{bmatrix}
  x_d \\
  x_q \\
  x_{dq} \\
  x_{dq-1} \\
  \vdots \\
  x_{dq-k}
\end{bmatrix} =
\begin{bmatrix}
  \cos \theta_d & \sin \theta_d \\
  -\sin \theta_d & \cos \theta_d \\
  \vdots & \vdots \\
  \cos \theta_{dq-k} & \sin \theta_{dq-k} \\
  -\sin \theta_{dq-k} & \cos \theta_{dq-k}
\end{bmatrix}
\begin{bmatrix}
  x_{a\phi} \\
  x_{b\phi} \\
  x_{c\phi} \\
  x_{d\phi} \\
  \vdots \\
  x_{a\phi-k}
\end{bmatrix},
\]

where \(\theta_d = k \omega t + \varphi_d\) and \(\theta_{dq-k} = -k \omega t + \varphi_{dq-k}\) are the phases of the positive- and negative \(k\)-th harmonic components, and their initial phases can be different. It is seen that the GDQ transformation maps the original signal into multiple \(dq\) frames. This also allows characterizing dynamics of multiple harmonics in the steady-state trajectory with time-invariant variables.

The GDQ transformation can be similarly represented in the complex space by exponential functions according to Fig. 1, i.e.,

\[
\begin{bmatrix}
  x_{a\phi} \\
  x_{b\phi} \\
  x_{c\phi} \\
  x_{d\phi} \\
  \vdots \\
  x_{a\phi-k}
\end{bmatrix} =
\begin{bmatrix}
  0 & e^{-j\theta_0} \\
  e^{-j\theta_0} & 0 \\
  \vdots & \vdots \\
  e^{-j\theta_{a\phi-k}} & 0 \\
  0 & e^{-j\theta_{a\phi-k}}
\end{bmatrix}
\begin{bmatrix}
  x_{a\phi} \\
  x_{b\phi} \\
  x_{c\phi} \\
  x_{d\phi} \\
  \vdots \\
  x_{a\phi-k}
\end{bmatrix},
\]

It is indicated that the GDQ transformation itself only results in frequency shifts of the original ac signal by the phase rotations. If the steady-state trajectory of the ac signal has multiple harmonics in the \(a\beta\) frame, the resulted \(dq\)-frame variables are still time-periodic. The harmonic components in the multiple \(dq\)-frame variables are redundant. In order to obtain the time-invariant representation, the SSA operator needs to be further applied, i.e.,

\[
\begin{bmatrix}
  x_{a\phi} \\
  x_{b\phi} \\
  \vdots \\
  x_{a\phi-k}
\end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{SSA}}
\begin{bmatrix}
  x_{a\phi} \\
  x_{b\phi} \\
  \vdots \\
  x_{a\phi-k}
\end{bmatrix},
\]

where the averaging time window is chosen as the fundamental period of the resulted \(dq\)-frame variables. In this way, only the dc components will be extracted. By applying the SSA, the reversibility of the GDQ transformation can also be ensured. The original ac signal can thus be represented as

\[
\begin{bmatrix}
  x_{a\phi} \\
  x_{b\phi} \\
  \vdots \\
  x_{a\phi-k}
\end{bmatrix} = \sum_{k} \begin{bmatrix}
  \cos \theta_0 & -\sin \theta_0 \\
  \sin \theta_0 & \cos \theta_0
\end{bmatrix}
\begin{bmatrix}
  x_{a\phi} \\
  x_{b\phi} \\
  \vdots \\
  x_{a\phi-k}
\end{bmatrix}.
\]

It can be seen that the GDQ transformation with SSA also realizes a linear representation of the original ac signal with time-invariant \(dq\)-frame variables, where the orthogonal basis is the set of triangular function matrices for all the \(k\) shown in (13). Here, the orthogonal basis is also determined by the system steady-state frequencies \(k\omega_0\), since the initial phase is merely a scalar, which does not change the frequency. The GDQ transformation with SSA is essential for the GDQ modeling.

C. Linearization

1) Taylor Series

A nonlinear dynamic system can be linearized around the given points \(x_0\) and \(u_0\) based on the Taylor series expansion [27], i.e.,

\[
\dot{x} = f(x, u) = f(x_0, u_0) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \bigg|_{x=x_0, u=u_0} (x-x_0)
+ \frac{\partial f}{\partial u} \bigg|_{x=x_0, u=u_0} (u-u_0) + R(x-x_0, u-u_0),
\]

provided that those partial derivatives exist. Eq. (14) applies to both real-valued or complex-valued equations. By neglecting
the higher-order terms $R(x-x_0, u-u_0)$, a small-signal model can be obtained as

$$
\frac{f(x,u) - f(x_0,u_0)}{\Delta f(x,u)} \approx \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \left|_{x=x_0, u=u_0} \right. \Delta x + \frac{\partial f}{\partial u} \left|_{x=x_0, u=u_0} \right. \Delta u.
$$

(15)

This linearization applies to both time-invariant and time-varying dynamic systems. For the time-invariant systems, which can be obtained based on GA or DQ/GDQ transformations, $x_0$ and $u_0$ are equilibrium points represented by $X_0$ and $U_0$, thus the resulted LTI model has constant $A$ and $B$.

For time-varying systems where $x_0$ and $u_0$ are time-varying trajectories represented by $x_0(t)$ and $u_0(t)$, a linear time-varying system with time-varying coefficients can be obtained, whose state-space form is given by

$$
\begin{align*}
\dot{x}(t) &= A(t)x(t) + B(t)u(t) \\
y(t) &= C(t)x(t) + D(t)u(t),
\end{align*}
$$

(16)

where the “$\Delta$” before signals is neglected for simplicity. Since the ac system is $T$-periodic in steady state, the linearization results in an LTP system. All the signals and coefficients in (15) become $T$-periodic. Therefore, within $\omega[0,T]$, the signals and the coefficients can be represented by the form of

$$
\begin{align*}
x(t) &= \sum x_k e^{j\omega_k t}, \text{ similar for } u(t), y(t), \\
A(t) &= \sum A_k e^{j\omega_k t}, \text{ similar for } B(t), C(t), D(t),
\end{align*}
$$

(17)

(18)

where $\omega_k = \frac{2\pi}{T}$. The linearization of time-periodic systems and the Fourier series representation in (17) and (18) are the bases of the HSS modeling.

2) DQ/GDQ Model Representation

For the $dq$/GDQ-frame modeling of ac converter systems, the dynamic of phase angle $\Delta \theta$ has to be considered in the linearization, in order to characterize synchronization control dynamics. The resulted small-signal model can be represented in either the system $dq$ frame or the local $dq$ frame, yet the model input and output variables are different.

Fig. 3 shows the the input-output dynamic modeling for a converter system $dq$-frame modeling. The nonlinear dynamics are shown at the top of Fig. 3, where the phase angle $\theta$ obtained from the converter control is used for the $dq$ transformation and the inverse $dq$ transformation. In order to model the phase dynamic $\Delta \theta$, the $dq$ or the inverse $dq$ transformation is intentionally decomposed into two transformations in cascade, yielding two distinguished $dq$ frames, i.e., the system $dq$ frame and the local $dq$ frame. Taking the $dq$ transformation applied to the input variable ($u$) for example, the first $dq$ transformation (Step 1) is merely related to the steady-state phase $\alpha_0 t + \phi$, which is thus a linear transformation. It rotates the $\alpha_0$-frame variables into the system $dq$ frame. The second $dq$ transformation (Step 2) is nonlinear, since $\Delta \theta$ includes dynamics from converter control. Similarly, the inverse $dq$ transformation applied to the output variable ($y$) can be represented in an inverse way by Step 4 and Step 5.

Since Step 2 and Step 4 are nonlinear, whose linearization can be done with Taylor series expansion by assuming that $\Delta \theta$ is sufficiently small, such that $e^{j\theta} \approx 1 - j\Delta \theta$ and $e^{0} \approx 1 + j\Delta \theta$. The resulted small-signal dynamic path is shown at the bottom of Fig. 3, where two $dq$-frame model representations are illustrated. The blue shaded area indicates the small-signal model in the system $dq$ frame, where the input and output dynamics are represented by the system $dq$-frame variables ($\Delta u_{dq}$ or $\Delta y_{dq}$) [44, 45], while $\Delta \theta$ is merely a state variable of the system.

Fig. 3 Model representations in the system $dq$ frame and the local $dq$ frame.
In contrast, if the model is represented in the local dq frame, as shown in the purple shaded area, the input and output dynamics need to be represented by both local dq-frame variables (\(\Delta u_{dq}\) or \(\Delta y_{dq}\)) and \(\Delta \theta\). In such a case, \(\Delta \theta\) becomes a necessary input or output variable [46].

The similar idea has already been reported in the modeling of resonant converters based on the phasor transformations [10], [47]. The conventional phasor transformation adopts the form of \(e^{-j\omega_0 t}\) [10], which is similar to the dq transformation into the system dq frame. As for the modified phasor transformation in [47], it considers a frequency dynamic in the transformation, i.e., \(e^{-j(\omega_0 t + \Delta \omega)}\), which is similar to the dq transformation into the local dq frame.

Compared with the local dq-frame representation, the system dq-frame representation has a simpler form for the input and output variables, which is thus more recommended for the dq/GDQ model representation.

D. Common Mathematical Bases

While linearized modeling methods adopt different steady-state representations and transformations, they share common mathematical bases, which can be summarized as follows:

1) A T-periodic ac system can always be interpreted by the linear superposition of time-invariant systems, with an orthogonal basis determined by system steady-state frequencies \(k\omega_0\). Although the LTP model is directly denoted by T-periodic functions in the time-domain, it can be further transformed in the frequency domain by the HSS modeling that is based on the Fourier series, which shares the same mathematical basis as the DP modeling. The same orthogonal basis is used for the HSS modeling and DP modeling according to (7) and (17), which implies that the derived frequency-domain responses have the same input and output variables. The GDQ modeling adopts a different transformation for time-invariant representation of the system, which results in a different orthogonal basis given in (13).

2) Once the orthogonal basis is defined, the system input and output dynamics can be directly characterized with the time-invariant variables under this orthogonal basis, e.g., the Fourier coefficients in the HSS and DP modeling and the multiple dq-frame variables in the GDQ modeling under the system dq frame. It is worth noting that the local dq-frame representation of the GDQ model does not agree with this principle, since in the HSS or DP model, \(\Delta \theta\) is also regarded as a state variable, instead of a necessary input or output for ac variables (e.g., seeing (9k) and (9l) in [22]). The system small-signal model can be derived based on the harmonic balance on both sides of dynamical equations [48]: due to the linear independent nature of the orthogonal basis, the considered number of basis functions (harmonics) on both sides of the equation needs to be the same, and the total sum of the coefficients of each basis function (harmonic) on both sides of the equation should be equal.

This section compares principles of the HSS, the DP, and the GDQ modeling methods, and reveals their mathematical relationships explicitly, where the GDQ model is represented in the system dq frame.

A. Sequence of Linearization and Transformation

To characterize control dynamics of an ac converter system, the SSA operator is commonly used to filter out the converter switching dynamics, which leads to an averaged model that is nonlinear and time-periodic.

Fig. 4 provides an overview on the sequence of linearization and transformation in the three modeling methods. In the HSS modeling, the linearization is directly performed on the time-periodic operating trajectories, resulting in an LTP dynamic system without further transformations. In contrast, the DP and the GDQ modeling methods apply transformations first to obtain a nonlinear time-invariant model, and then perform the linearization on time-invariant operating points, leading to LTI systems.

While the transformation and linearization are performed sequentially in the DP and GDQ modeling, they are exchangeable since the used transformations are linear, i.e., one can either do the linearization first around steady-state operating trajectories and then apply the transformation to get the LTI system, or apply the transformation first to obtain a time-invariant system and then linearize the system around the steady-state operating point.

Fig. 5 provides an overview of the principles of the HSS, the DP, and the GDQ modeling methods. Thanks to the interchangeability of transformation and linearization, the DP and GDQ modeling methods are elaborated directly based on an LTP model. Detailed modeling principles of the three methods are given in Parts B-D, respectively, and their mathematical relationships are derived explicitly in Part E.

B. HSS Modeling

The HSS modeling method directly derives the frequency response of an LTP system, which is achieved by introducing the exponential function \(e^{\nu t}\) to time-periodic signals, namely the exponentially modulated periodic (EMP) signal [26], which is given by

\[
x(t) = e^{\nu t} \sum_{k} a_k e^{j k \omega_s t},
\]

(19)
where \( s \in \mathbb{C} \). The same form also applies to input and output signals, i.e., \( u(t) \) and \( y(t) \).

Given an LTP system, if the input is an EMP signal, the output is still an EMP signal \([26],[29]\). Using EMP signals enables to derive the frequency-domain dynamic of an LTP system, since the frequency-dependent variable \( s \) is introduced to represent dynamics. Based on the harmonic balance between input and output EMP signals, the frequency-domain dynamics of an LTP system can be analogous to an LTI transfer function between different Fourier series coefficients.

Fig. 6 illustrates the three steps of deriving the frequency-domain input-output dynamics of an LTP system:

1) The EMP signals are introduced to all the time-periodic variables, including the input and output variables, as well as the state variables of the LTP system.

2) The Fourier series expansion is then performed on both sides of the time-periodic dynamical equation. Due to the orthogonality of basis functions, the original dynamical equation can be decomposed into multiple equations, where each is related to one basis function, i.e., \( e^{jk\omega t} \). The number of \( k \) can be determined based on the model truncation considering major harmonics \([26]\).

3) For the dynamical equation of each basis function, the time-dependent exponential functions can be canceled. Then, only the Fourier coefficients and the \( s \) variable are retained, such that an LTI transfer function \( (G(s)) \) matrix is formulated to represent the input-output dynamics of the LTP system, which is named as HTF.

Applying the abovementioned steps to the LTP state-space model, the HSS model \([26]\) can be obtained as

\[
x = (A - \mathbf{N}) x + Bu,
\]

\[
y = Cx + Du,
\]

where the signals are given by the Fourier coefficients \( x = [\ldots, x_k, \ldots, x_0, \ldots, x_k] \) according to (17), and similar for \( u \) and \( y \). The coefficient matrices are represented by the Toeplitz matrices, which are given by their Fourier coefficients according to (18), e.g.,

\[
\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix}
A_0 & A_1 & A_2 & \cdots \\
\vdots & A_0 & A_1 & \cdots \\
\vdots & \vdots & A_0 & \cdots \\
\vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots
\end{bmatrix}, \text{ similar for } \mathbf{B, C, D}. \tag{21}
\]

\( \mathbf{N} \) is a diagonal matrix given by

\[
\mathbf{N} = \text{diag}\{\ldots -j\omega, \ldots 0 \ldots j\omega \} \tag{22}
\]

Fig. 5 Mathematical relationships between different modeling methods for ac power electronic systems.
It is clear that the HSS model is a frequency-domain model represented in the state-space form, based on which the HTF from the input \( u \) to the output \( y \) can be derived as

\[
\mathcal{G}(s) = C \left[ sI - (A - N) \right]^{-1} B + D,
\]

where \( I \) denotes the identity matrix.

The HSS modeling is usually derived based on real-valued LTP models, such as in real \( \alpha\beta \) frame or real \( dq \) frame, where the HTFs of the coefficient matrices are Hermitian according to (21). The HTF model can also be transformed through an extended complex transformation according to Fig. 2, to characterize the input-output dynamics of the complex-valued LTP model [16]-[18].

C. DP Modeling

By applying GA operators to the LTP system in (16), the DP model can be derived. For a generic ac system with multiple harmonics, multiple DPs are needed. First, the differential equations of the \( k \)-th DP can be derived based on the principle of harmonic balance, which are given as

\[
\begin{align*}
\frac{d\langle x \rangle_k}{dt} &= -j\omega_k \langle x \rangle_k + \sum_m A_{k,m} \langle x \rangle_m + \sum_m B_{k,m} \langle u \rangle_m, \\
\langle y \rangle_k &= \sum_m C_{k,m} \langle x \rangle_m + \sum_m D_{k,m} \langle u \rangle_m.
\end{align*}
\]

Then, incorporating the differential equations of different DPs, the DP model of the entire system can be represented in the state-space form [20] as

\[
\begin{bmatrix}
\vdots \\
\frac{d\langle x \rangle_k}{dt}
\end{bmatrix} = (A - N) \begin{bmatrix}
\vdots \\
\langle x \rangle_k
\end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix}
\vdots \\
\langle u \rangle_k
\end{bmatrix},
\]

where the coefficient matrices are found the same as those in (20).

The DP modeling can be applied to both real-valued models (e.g., real \( \alpha\beta \) frame or real \( dq \) frame) and complex-valued models (e.g., complex \( \alpha\beta \) frame). This work merely discusses the DP models derived from the \( \alpha\beta \)-frame LTP models, as shown in Fig. 5. Some examples of DP models derived from the \( dq \)-frame LTP models can be found in [19], [22], which mainly differ in a different selection of DP orders.

D. GDQ Modeling

The GDQ model is derived from the \( \alpha\beta \)-frame model by applying the GDQ transformation with SSA. However, the differential equations of a converter system are composed of both ac and dc variables, such as \( x \) and \( x_{dc} \), shown in (26).

\[
\begin{bmatrix}
dx_a \\
dx_d \\
dx_{\alpha} \\
dx_{\beta} \\
dx_{dc}
\end{bmatrix} = 
\begin{bmatrix}
A(t) \\
B(t)
\end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix}
x_a \\
x_d \\
x_{\alpha} \\
x_{\beta} \\
x_{dc}
\end{bmatrix} + 
\begin{bmatrix}
u_a \\
u_d \\
u_{\alpha} \\
u_{\beta} \\
u_{dc}
\end{bmatrix},
\]

Although the ac (\( \alpha\beta \)-frame) variables can be represented by time-invariant representations in multiple \( dq \) frames, the dc variables can still be time-periodic, whose harmonics also need to be represented with time-invariant forms to ensure the harmonic balance of the entire system [23]. That is to say, to establish an accurate GDQ model, one has to apply:

1) GDQ transformation with SSA to ac variables;
2) GA to dc variables.

The above procedures applied to (26) yield the state-space GDQ model represented by
The GDQ model of (27) is represented in multiple real dq frames through an extended complex transformation as the complex-valued GDQ model given by

\[
\begin{bmatrix}
\vdots \\
\frac{d\vec{x}_{dq}}{dt} \\
\vdots \\
\frac{d\vec{x}_{aq}}{dt} \\
\vdots \\
\frac{d\langle x_k \rangle}{dt} \\
\vdots \\
\frac{d\langle x_k \rangle}{dt} \\
\vdots \\
\frac{d\langle x_k \rangle}{dt}
\end{bmatrix}
= \begin{bmatrix}
\vdots \\
-k\omega \vec{x}_{dq_k} \\
-k\omega \vec{x}_{aq_k} \\
-jk\omega \langle x_k \rangle \\
-jk\omega \langle x_k \rangle \\
-jk\omega \langle x_k \rangle \\
\vdots \\
\vdots \\
\vdots \\
\vdots \\
\vdots
\end{bmatrix}
+ \begin{bmatrix}
\vdots \\
\vec{A}_{GDQ}^{'} \\
\vec{B}_{GDQ}^{'}
\end{bmatrix}
\begin{bmatrix}
\vdots \\
\vec{x}_{dq_k} \\
\vec{x}_{aq_k} \\
\langle x_k \rangle \\
\langle x_k \rangle \\
\langle x_k \rangle \\
\vdots \\
\vdots \\
\vdots \\
\vdots \\
\vdots
\end{bmatrix}
+ \begin{bmatrix}
\vdots \\
\vec{u}_{dq_k} \\
\vec{u}_{aq_k} \\
\langle u_k \rangle \\
\langle u_k \rangle \\
\langle u_k \rangle \\
\vdots \\
\vdots \\
\vdots \\
\vdots \\
\vdots
\end{bmatrix},
\tag{27}
\]
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categorized by \(s\pm jk\omega_s\). And this signal reformulation by \(x_{qf}\) does not change the corresponding HTF. However, as for the variables \(e^{j\omega_s}x_{p0}\) and \(e^{j\omega_s}x_{q0}\), the exponential operators of \(e^{j\omega_s}\) and \(e^{j\omega_s}\) are applied. Consequently, they not only lead to frequency couplings in the frequency responses, as represented by

\[
\begin{align*}
    e^{j\omega_s}x_{p0} & \leftrightarrow X_p(s-j\omega_s) \\
    e^{j\omega_s}x_{q0} & \leftrightarrow X_q(s-j\omega_s) \\
    e^{j\omega_s}x_{d0} & \leftrightarrow X_d(s-j\omega_s) \\
    e^{j\omega_s}x_{q0} & \leftrightarrow X_q(s+j\omega_s) \\
    e^{j\omega_s}x_{d0} & \leftrightarrow X_d(s+j\omega_s)
\end{align*}
\]

but also result in frequency shifts in the corresponding HTFs due to the chain rule [7].

The variable representations shown in (30)-(32) provides a uniform framework to modeling the ac- and dc-side frequency couplings of converter systems. It also benefits in a less order selection for HTFs, which will be illustrated more clearly on the case study models in the next section.

IV. CASE STUDY

The mathematical relationships of different modeling methods are validated by a case study on a three-phase converter in unbalanced grids. The open-loop models based on the HSS modeling, DP modeling and GDQ modeling of the converter are derived first. The mathematical relationships between the LTP model, the DP model and the GDQ model are verified in time domain. Then, a unified frequency-domain model of the three methods considering the closed-loop dynamics is derived and validated by the frequency scan. All the validations are performed on the averaged model in MATLAB/Simulink.

A. System Description

Fig. 7 shows the three-phase converter under study with a single-line representation. The input voltage is three-phase unbalanced. The converter has the current control (CC), the phase-locked loop (PLL) and the dc-link voltage control (DVC). The CC is implemented in \(a\beta\) frame with proportional + resonant controllers. The PLL adopts a notch-filtered synchronous-reference-frame PLL, in order to filter out the negative-sequence voltage components for synchronization. The DVC adopts a proportional + integral controller. The circuit and control parameters are listed in Table I.

B. Open-Loop Modeling and Validation

The open-loop model of the converter system is modeled based on the averaged model first. All the derived models are given in Appendix. The differential equations of the ac- and dc-side circuits can be derived as (A1a), which is a nonlinear time-periodic model represented in the real \(a\beta\) frame. In addition, the complex \(a\beta\) frame model representation is given in (A1b).

1) LTP Modeling

Through the direct linearization around the steady-state trajectories, the LTP models are derived as (A2a) and (A2b), where the steady-state trajectories are determined by the \(a\beta\) frame variables and the dc-link voltage.

If the variable representations shown in (30)-(32) are used, the complex \(a\beta\) frame model can be derived as (A2c), where the steady-state trajectories are determined by the \(dq\)-frame variables and the dc-link voltage. The benefits of using this representation include: i) the \(dq\)-frame variables have the same harmonics with the dc-link voltage, which simplifies the HTF order selection, as introduced in the following HSS modeling part; ii) the model becomes an LTI model under balanced grid conditions, since all the steady-state trajectories become time-invariant.

![Fig. 7 Studied three-phase voltage-source converter under unbalanced grids.](image)

**TABLE I**

| Parameters                          | Symbols | Values        |
|-------------------------------------|---------|---------------|
| Grid voltage                        | \(V_g\) | 1.0 p.u. (200 V) |
| Inverter L filter                   | \(L\)   | 2 mH          |
| DC voltage                          | \(V_d\) | 600 V         |
| DC current                          | \(I_d\) | 3 A           |
| DC-side capacitance                 | \(C\)   | 0.45 mF       |
| \(q\)-axis current reference        | \(K_d\) | 0 A           |
| Current PR Controller               | \(K_v\) | 5 Ω           |
| PLI controller and notch filter     | \(K_{nt}\) | 800 Ω/s |
| damping factor                      | \(D_p\) | 0.58 rad/(s^2 V) |
| DC-link voltage controller          | \(K_{dc\_v}\) | 27.2 rad/(s^2 V) |
|                                    | \(K_{dc\_i}\) | 0.5 S         |
|                                    | \(K_{dc\_d}\) | 20 S         |
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2) HSS Modeling

The frequency domain representation using HTFs can be further derived as (A3a)-(A3c), corresponding to the LTP models of (A2a)-(A2c), respectively. Although the model is not strictly represented in the HSS form, the derivation follows the same principle of the HSS modeling.

It can be found that in (A3a) and (A3b), the HTFs of steady-state trajectories are selected based on \( \alpha \beta \)-frame variables, which will lead to a higher-order selection for HTFs. Since the fundamental frequency of the \( \alpha \beta \)-frame variables is \( \omega_0 \), at least the orders of 0, \( \pm 1 \), \( \pm 2 \), \( \pm 3 \) need to be considered under unbalanced grid conditions. As for (A3c), the HTFs of the steady-state trajectories are derived based on \( dq \)-frame variables, which results in a less-order selection for HTFs. Under unbalanced grid conditions, the fundamental frequency of the \( dq \)-frame variables is \( 2\omega_0 \), which is the same as \( V_{dc}(t) \). Thus, the major harmonic orders only include 0 and \( \pm 2 \). Another feature coming with (A3c) is that the HTFs of the original DPs \((v_{d0}, v_{q0})\) in the GDQ model are not uniformly defined in the \( \alpha \beta \)-frame considering their phase rotation impacts. For easier plotting in the time domain, the real and imaginary parts of the complex-valued DPs and \( \theta_{ss} \) are frequency shifted in the dynamical equations of \( e^{j2\omega t} v_{d0} \) and \( e^{j\theta_{ss}} v_{dc} \), according to the chain rule brought by \( e^{j2\omega t} \) and \( e^{j\theta_{ss}} \) [7].

3) DP Modeling

The DP models can be derived as (A4a) and (A4b) based on (A2a) and (A2b), respectively. Applying the Laplace transformation yields the same frequency-domain models as (A3a) and (A3b).

4) GDQ Modeling

Considering the relationship between the GDQ model and the DP model, the complex-valued GDQ model is derived from (A4b) as (A5), where the major harmonic components \((+3, +1, -1)\) under an unbalanced grid condition are considered for a simplified model representation. It is found that, based on the defined GDQ transformation, an initial-phase related rotation matrix \( Q \) is involved in the model. Such a rotation also affects the differential equations of \( V_{dc} \), thus, the final dc-side voltage variables \((V_{dc})\) in the GDQ model is not the original DPs \((v_{dc})\) obtained by GA. (A5) can be further derived in the real space by the complex-to-real transformation if needed.

5) Time-Domain Validation

To validate the relationship between different models, the time-domain LTP model, the DP model, and the GDQ model are validated by the averaged (AVG) model, the LTP model, the DP model, and the GDQ model are compared in Fig. 8. At 0.1 s, the negative-sequence voltage steps from 1 p.u. to 0.5 p.u. It is found that all the models agree with each other, such that the mathematical relationship between the LTP model and the DP/GDQ model can be verified. The DP model has some time delay in the agreement, since the DPs are calculated by a moving averaging window.

To further verify the mathematical relationships between the DP model and the GDQ model, Fig. 9 compares different DPs and multiple \( dq \)-frame variables considering the initial-phase rotation impacts. For easier plotting in the time domain, the real and imaginary parts of the complex-valued DPs and multiple \( dq \)-frame variables are calculated and compared. It can be seen that, after applying the initial phase rotation to the multiple \( dq \)-frame variables, the waveforms agree with the DPs.

C. Closed-Loop Modeling and Validation

As the mathematical relationships of different models have been validated on the open-loop model, it can be inferred that all these models yield a unified frequency-domain representation through proper transformations. In this part, a unified closed-loop HTF model considering the frequency couplings in the complex \( \alpha \beta \) frame is derived, which is validated by the frequency scan.

For the closed-loop modeling, the modular modeling is considered. The general flow is given in Fig. 10. The converter system is partitioned into different subsystems. For nonlinear subsystems, their HTF models can be derived based on the linearized modeling. For linear subsystems, their HTF models can be simply derived by LTI transfer functions considering frequency shifts. Such a modular modeling method is readily applicable to converters with different control schemes and also to systems with multiple converters.

For the converter system in Fig. 7, the open-loop circuit model, the PLL and the DVC are three nonlinear subsystems, while the CC and the time delay are linear subsystems. The linearized modeling of the PLL and DVC subsystems can be done similarly as what have been done for the open-loop circuit modeling. To ensure an easy interconnection of different subsystems, the ac- and dc-side variables are uniformly defined in the complex \( \alpha \beta \) frame considering their frequency-coupling relationships, as introduced in Section III-E-4). The ac-side variables are defined by \( v_{ac} \) and \( i_{ac} \) shown in Fig. 11 and the dc-link voltage is defined by \( e^{j\theta_{ss}} V_{dc} \). In such a
Fig. 8 Open-loop validation between different models on a three-phase converter in unbalanced grids.

way, the HTFs of different subsystems can be derived explicitly as given in Part B of the Appendix, which form the closed-loop model of the entire converter system as Fig. 11. From the derived HTFs in the Appendix, it can be found that all the HTFs impacted by steady-state trajectories are defined based on $dq$-frame or dc variables (e.g., $d_qD$, $d_qI$, $c_dV$, $dcV$).

Consequently, considering the major harmonic orders of 0 and ±2 is sufficient to modeling the converter system under unbalanced grid conditions.

The closed-loop ac admittance model can be derived as

$$
\begin{bmatrix}
I_{ap}(s-2j\omega) & V_{ap}(s-2j\omega) \\
I_{ap}(s+2j\omega) & V_{ap}(s+2j\omega) \\
I_{ap}(s-4j\omega) & V_{ap}(s-4j\omega) \\
I_{ap}(s+2j\omega) & V_{ap}(s+2j\omega)
\end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{Y}_{ac},
$$

(35)

Fig. 9 Mathematical relationship validation between the DP and GDQ models.

where $\mathbf{Y}_{ac}$ is a 6-by-6 HTF given by

$$
\mathbf{Y}_{ac} = \begin{bmatrix}
1 - \mathbf{G}_d (1 - \mathbf{G}_d \mathbf{G}_{DVC} \mathbf{G}_{dc}) & \mathbf{G}_d \mathbf{G}_{DVC} \\
\mathbf{Z}_{dc}^{-1} - \mathbf{G}_d (1 - \mathbf{G}_d \mathbf{G}_{DVC} \mathbf{G}_{dc}) & \mathbf{G}_d \mathbf{G}_{DVC} \mathbf{G}_{PLL} - \mathbf{G}_d \mathbf{G}_{DVC} \mathbf{G}_{w}
\end{bmatrix}^{-1}.
$$

(36)

To validate the frequency-domain model of the closed-loop converter system, the ac admittance is measured by frequency scan in simulation. The perturbation at $\omega$ for $v_{ap}$ is injected into the input voltage of the converters, which allows for measuring the frequency responses of the second-column of $\mathbf{Y}_{ac}$. The frequency-scanned admittance in contrast to the analytical model is shown in Fig. 12. The asterisks are the
A. Open-Loop Modeling

1) Nonlinear time-periodic model:

- **Real αβ-frame model**:
  \[
  \begin{bmatrix}
    v_a \\
    v_b
  \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix}
    L \frac{d}{dt} [i_a] + V_{dc} [d_a] \\
    L \frac{d}{dt} [i_b] + V_{dc} [d_b]
  \end{bmatrix},
  \]
  \[
  C \frac{dv}{dt} = \begin{bmatrix}
    \frac{1}{2} d_a \\
    \frac{1}{2} d_b
  \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix}
    \frac{1}{2} i_a \\
    \frac{1}{2} i_b
  \end{bmatrix},
  \]

- **Complex αβ-frame model**:
  \[
  \begin{bmatrix}
    v_{α} \\
    v_{β}
  \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix}
    L \frac{d}{dt} [i_{α}] + V_{dc} [d_{α}] \\
    L \frac{d}{dt} [i_{β}] + V_{dc} [d_{β}]
  \end{bmatrix},
  \]
  \[
  C \frac{dv}{dt} = \begin{bmatrix}
    \frac{1}{2} d_{α} \\
    \frac{1}{2} d_{β}
  \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix}
    \frac{1}{2} i_{α} \\
    \frac{1}{2} i_{β}
  \end{bmatrix},
  \]

2) LTP model:

- **Real αβ-frame model**:
  \[
  \begin{bmatrix}
    v_a \\
    v_b
  \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix}
    L \frac{d}{dt} [i_a] + V_{dc} (t) [d_a] + [D_a (t) V_{dc}]
  \end{bmatrix},
  \]
  \[
  C \frac{dv}{dt} = \begin{bmatrix}
    D_a (t) i_a + I_a (t) d_a + D_b (t) i_b + I_b (t) d_b
  \end{bmatrix},
  \]
  \[\text{(A2a)}\]

- **Complex αβ-frame model**:
  \[
  \begin{bmatrix}
    v_{α} \\
    v_{β}
  \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix}
    L \frac{d}{dt} [i_{α}] + V_{dc} (t) [d_{α}] + [D_{α} (t) V_{dc}]
  \end{bmatrix},
  \]
  \[
  C \frac{dv}{dt} = \begin{bmatrix}
    D_{α} (t) i_{α} + I_{α} (t) d_{α} + D_{β} (t) i_{β} + I_{β} (t) d_{β}
  \end{bmatrix},
  \]
  \[\text{(A2b)}\]

where the steady-state trajectories are determined by αβ-frame variables \( (D_a (t) , D_b (t) , I_a (t) , I_b (t) ) \) and \( V_{dc} (t) \).

V. CONCLUSION

The mathematical bases and relationships of the HSS, DP and GDQ modeling methods have been rigorously proved in this work. The three methods share a common mathematical basis, by using the time-invariant representation of ac systems based on an orthogonal basis. Considering their mathematical relationships, the three methods yield a unified HTF model in the frequency domain:

1) For the HSS modeling, the unified HTF model can be derived from the real-valued LTP model first, then transformed through an extended complex transformation.

2) For the DP modeling, the complex/extended complex transformation and GA yield the DP model, which can be derived further as the unified HTF model through the Laplace transformation. The complex or extended complex transformation can be considered in any step.

3) For the GDQ modeling, it can also be applied to both real-valued or complex-valued LTP models. The complex-valued GDQ model can be further derived as the unified HTF model considering the initial phase rotation and the Laplace transformation.

The mathematical relationships of these models have been verified in the time domain on an open-loop converter system in unbalanced grid conditions, and the unified closed-loop frequency-domain model in the complex αβ frame has been verified by frequency scan.
\[ \mathbf{v}_{\text{off}}(s) = Z_i \left( i_{\text{off}}(s) \right) + \mathbf{v}_a \left[ \mathbf{d}_{\text{off}}(s) \right] + \left[ \mathbf{D}_{\text{off}} \right] \mathbf{v}_a(s) \]

\[ \mathcal{Y} \mathbf{v}_a(s) = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{D}_{\text{off}} i_{\text{off}}(s) + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{D}'_{\text{off}} i_{\text{off}}(s) + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{I}_{\text{off}} \mathbf{d}_{\text{off}}(s) \]

\[ \mathcal{Y} \mathbf{v}_a(s) = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{D}_{\text{off}} i_{\text{off}}(s) + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{D}'_{\text{off}} i_{\text{off}}(s) + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{I}_{\text{off}} \mathbf{d}_{\text{off}}(s) \]

where \( \mathbf{v}_{\text{off}}(s) = \mathbf{v}_a(s) + j \mathbf{v}_p(s) \), \( \mathbf{v}_{\text{off}}^*(s) = \mathbf{v}_a(s) - j \mathbf{v}_p(s) \)

\[ \mathbf{D}_{\text{off}} \equiv \mathbf{D}_0 + j \mathbf{D}_p, \mathbf{D}_{\text{off}}' \equiv \mathbf{D}_0 - j \mathbf{D}_p \]

and similar for other variables

c) Reformulating signals considering frequency couplings (corresponding to the LTP model shown in (A2c)):

\[ \mathbf{v}_{\text{off}}(s) = \left( Z_i \left( s \right) \right) + \mathbf{v}_a \left[ \mathbf{d}_{\text{off}}(s) \right] + \left[ \mathbf{D}_{\text{off}} \right] \mathbf{v}_a(s) \]

\[ \mathcal{Y} \mathbf{v}_a(s) = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{D}_{\text{off}} i_{\text{off}}(s) + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{D}'_{\text{off}} i_{\text{off}}(s) + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{I}_{\text{off}} \mathbf{d}_{\text{off}}(s) \]

where \( \mathbf{v}_{\text{off}}(s) \) is the same as shown in (A3b), \( \mathbf{v}_{\text{off}}^*(s) = \mathbf{v}_a(s) - j \mathbf{v}_p(s) \)

\[ \mathbf{D}_{\text{off}} \equiv \mathbf{D}_0 + j \mathbf{D}_p, \mathbf{D}_{\text{off}}' \equiv \mathbf{D}_0 - j \mathbf{D}_p \]

and similar for other variables

4) DP models:

a) Based on real \( \alpha\beta \)-frame LTP model:

\[ \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{v}_{\text{off}} \\ \mathbf{v}_{\text{off}}^* \end{bmatrix} = \frac{d}{ds} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{i}_{\text{off}} \\ \mathbf{i}_{\text{off}}^* \end{bmatrix} + \mathbf{L} \mathbf{N} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{i}_{\text{off}} \\ \mathbf{i}_{\text{off}}^* \end{bmatrix} + \mathbf{v}_a \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{d}_{\text{off}} \\ \mathbf{d}_{\text{off}}^* \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{D}_{\text{off}} \\ \mathbf{D}_{\text{off}}' \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{v}_a(s) \]

b) Based on complex \( \alpha\beta \)-frame LTP model (equivalent to applying the transformation shown in Fig. 2 to (A4a)):
\[ C \frac{d}{dt} Q(v_{dc}) + CN Q(v_{dc}) = \frac{1}{2} QD_{dq} e^{-j\theta} Q^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} T_{dq+1} \\ T_{dq+1} \\ T_{dq+1} \end{bmatrix} \]
\[ + \frac{1}{2} QD_{dq} e^{j\theta} Q^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \bar{d}_{dq+1} \\ \bar{d}_{dq+1} \\ \bar{d}_{dq+1} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{(A5)} \]
\[ + \frac{1}{2} QD_{dq}^{*} e^{j\theta} Q^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \bar{d}_{dq+1} \\ \bar{d}_{dq+1} \\ \bar{d}_{dq+1} \end{bmatrix} + \frac{1}{2} QD_{dq}^{*} e^{-j\theta} Q^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \bar{d}_{dq+1} \\ \bar{d}_{dq+1} \\ \bar{d}_{dq+1} \end{bmatrix} \] 

where \( v_{dq+1} = \frac{1}{T} \int_{-T}^{t} v_{dq} e^{-j(\omega_{s} - \theta)} d\tau = e^{-j(\omega_{s} - \theta)} \langle v_{dq} \rangle_{t} \)
\( v_{dq+1} = \frac{1}{T} \int_{-T}^{t} v_{dq} e^{j(\omega_{s} - \theta)} d\tau = e^{j(\omega_{s} - \theta)} \langle v_{dq} \rangle_{t} \)
\( N = \text{diag\{ }j\omega_{s}, j\omega_{s}, j\omega_{s}\} \)
\( D_{dq} = \begin{bmatrix} \langle D_{dq} \rangle_{t} & \langle D_{dq} \rangle_{t} & 0 \\ 0 & \langle D_{dq} \rangle_{t} & \langle D_{dq} \rangle_{t} \\ 0 & \langle D_{dq}^{*} \rangle_{t} & \langle D_{dq}^{*} \rangle_{t} \end{bmatrix} \)
\( D_{dq}^{*} = \begin{bmatrix} \langle D_{dq}^{*} \rangle_{t} & \langle D_{dq}^{*} \rangle_{t} & 0 \\ 0 & \langle D_{dq}^{*} \rangle_{t} & \langle D_{dq}^{*} \rangle_{t} \\ \langle D_{dq}^{*} \rangle_{t} & \langle D_{dq}^{*} \rangle_{t} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \)
\( Q = \begin{bmatrix} e^{j(\omega_{s} - \theta)} & 1 & e^{-j(\omega_{s} - \theta)} \end{bmatrix} \)
\( v_{d} = Q(v_{dc}) = \begin{bmatrix} e^{j(\omega_{s} - \theta)} \\ 1 \\ e^{-j(\omega_{s} - \theta)} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \langle v_{dc} \rangle_{t} \\ \langle v_{dc} \rangle_{t} \\ \langle v_{dc} \rangle_{t} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} v_{dc-2} \\ v_{dc-1} \\ v_{dc} \\ v_{dc+1} \end{bmatrix} \)
and similar for other variables.

**B. Closed-Loop Modeling**

1) **Open-loop HTFs**
\[ Z_{d} = Z_{a} + \frac{Z_{a}^{*} (s-j\omega_{a})}{2} \begin{bmatrix} D_{dq} & D_{dq} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{(A6)} \]
\[ G_{a} = -Z_{d}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \langle v_{a} \rangle_{t} \\ \langle v_{a} \rangle_{t} \end{bmatrix} + \frac{D_{dq}^{*} Z_{a} (s-j\omega_{a})}{2} \begin{bmatrix} I_{a}^{*} \\ I_{a} \end{bmatrix}, \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{(A7)} \]

\[ G_{a} = \begin{bmatrix} I + \frac{Z_{a} (s-j\omega_{a})}{2} \begin{bmatrix} D_{dq}^{*} & D_{dq} \end{bmatrix} Z_{a} \begin{bmatrix} D_{dq}^{*} & D_{dq} \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \\ Z_{a} (s-j\omega_{a}) \frac{1}{2} \frac{D_{dq}^{*} D_{dq}}{D_{dq}^{*} D_{dq}} Z_{a}^{-1} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{(A8)} \]
\[ G_{a} = \begin{bmatrix} I + \frac{Z_{a} (s-j\omega_{a})}{2} \begin{bmatrix} D_{dq}^{*} & D_{dq} \end{bmatrix} Z_{a} \begin{bmatrix} D_{dq}^{*} & D_{dq} \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{(A9)} \]

where \( Z_{a} = \begin{bmatrix} Z_{a} (s) \\ Z_{a} (s-j\omega_{a}) \end{bmatrix}, \)
\[ \begin{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} (s-j2\omega_{a})L \\ s \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix}, \]
\[ \begin{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ (s+j2\omega_{a})L \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix}, \]
\[ \begin{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{sC} \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix} \]
\[ \begin{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ (s+j2\omega_{a})C \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix} \]
\( \gamma_{d}, \ D_{dq}, \ I_{dq} \) are 3-by-3 HTFs obtained by steady-state trajectories.
2) **PLL HTF**
\[ \Psi_{PLL} = \begin{bmatrix} I_{PLL} G_{PLL}^{\infty} (s-j\omega_{a}) T_{PLL} & -I_{PLL} G_{PLL}^{\infty} (s-j\omega_{a}) T_{PLL} & I_{PLL} G_{PLL}^{\infty} (s-j\omega_{a}) T_{PLL} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{(A10)} \]
where \( G_{PLL} (s) = (I + G_{PLL}^{\infty} (s) V_{\phi}^{\infty})^{-1} G_{PLL}^{\infty} (s) \),
\( G_{PLL}^{\infty} = \text{diag\{ }G_{PLL}^{\infty} (s-j2\omega_{a}), G_{PLL}^{\infty} (s) \} \)
\( G_{PLL}^{\infty} = \text{diag\{ }G_{PLL}^{\infty} (s+j2\omega_{a}), G_{PLL}^{\infty}^{\infty} \} \)
\( G_{PLL}^{\infty} (s) \) is the transfer function of the PLL including notch filter, PI controller and integrator.
\( \gamma_{d} \) is the HTF of \( e^{j\Delta \theta} \), where \( \Delta \theta \) is the steady-state phase difference between the PLL control \( dq \) frame and the positive-sequence system \( dq \) frame [17]. \( \gamma_{d}^{\infty} \) is the HTF of \( V_{\phi}^{\infty} \), which is the steady-state \( d \)-axis voltage in PLL control \( dq \) frame. \( I_{d}^{\infty} \) is the HTF of the steady-state \( I_{d}^{\infty} (t) \).
3) **DVC HTF**
\[ \Psi_{DVC} = \begin{bmatrix} T_{d} G_{DVC}^{\infty} (s-j\omega_{a}) \\ T_{d} G_{DVC}^{\infty} (s-j\omega_{a}) \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{(A11)} \]
where \( G_{DVC}^{\infty} = \text{diag\{ }G_{DVC}^{\infty} (s-j2\omega_{a}), G_{DVC}^{\infty} (s), G_{DVC}^{\infty} (s+j2\omega_{a}) \} \) and \( G_{DVC}^{\infty} (s) \) is the transfer function of the DVC PI controller.
4) **CC and time delay HTFs**
\[ G_{\text{CC}} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{V_{a}} \begin{bmatrix} G_{\text{CC}} (s) \\ G_{\text{CC}} (s-2j\omega_{a}) \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{(A12)} \]
where $G_c = \text{diag}\{ G_i(s + j2\omega), G_i(s), G_i(s + j2\omega) \}$ and $G_i(s)$ is the transfer function of the CC PR controller.

$$G_i = \begin{bmatrix} G_{\text{delay}}(s) & G_{\text{delay}}(s - 2j\omega) \\ G_{\text{delay}}(s) & G_{\text{delay}}(s - 2j\omega) \end{bmatrix}.$$ (A13)

where $G_{\text{delay}} = \text{diag}\{ G_i(s + j2\omega), G_i(s), G_i(s + j2\omega) \}$ and $G_i(s)$ is the transfer function of the time delay.

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