

Shunt Hybrid Power Filter combined with Thyristor-Controlled Reactor for Power Quality Improvement.

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Abstract: Harmonics are created by the nonlinear and reactive loads, such as arc furnaces, cycloconverters and motor drives. These harmonics are dangerous to electric power system and destroy the power quality of the system. In order to overcome from this, combination of shunt hybrid power filter (SHPF) and thyristor controlled reactors (TCR) are used. SHPF is a combination of small rating active power filter (APF) and fifth harmonic tuned LC passive filter. APF is mainly used to improve the filtering characteristics and avoids the resonances. The tuned passive filter and TCR form a shunt passive filter (SPF) to compensate reactive power. PI controller is used to extract the required firing angle to compensate the reactive power consumed by the load. The control system mainly consist of inner fast loop for the current control and outer slower one for the voltage control, the model designed based on “instantaneous power theory” the results of simulation satisfies the features described by the theory.

Index Terms—Hybrid powers filter, modeling, nonlinear control, reactive power compensation, shunt hybrid power filter and thyristor-controlled reactor (SHPF-TCR compensator).

1. INTRODUCTION

The power electronic based equipments are used in industrial and domestic purpose. These equipments have significant impacts on the quality of supplied voltage and these have increased the harmonic current pollution of distribution systems. These equipments have many adverse effects on power system equipments, such as additional losses in overhead and underground cables, transformers and rotating electric machines, problem in the operation of the protection systems, over voltage and shunt capacitor, error of measuring instruments, and malfunction of low efficiency of customer sensitive loads. Hybrid power filters have been introduced and implemented in practical system applications. Shunt hybrid filter consists of an active filter which is connected in series with the passive filter and with a three phase PWM (pulse width modulation) inverter. This filter effectively mitigates the problems associated with passive and active filters. It provides cost effective harmonic compensation, particularly for high power nonlinear load. Different control techniques are present for extracting harmonic components of the source current, Some of them are synchronous reference frame (SRF) transformation, instantaneous power (p-q) theory, etc. Where high pass filters (HPFs) are used for extracting harmonic components of the source current from the fundamental components.

A shunt hybrid power filter (SHPF) is modeled in the stationary “a-b-c” reference frame and then, the model is transformed into the rotating “d-q” reference frame to reduce the control complexity. Decoupled current control techniques using proportional–integral (PI)-type controller is implemented to force the current of the filter to track their reference value. On the other hand the dc-voltage of the filter is regulated using P-I controller. The harmonic current of the non-linear load is controlled by feeding it to the passive filter; hence no harmonic currents are drawn from the ac mains. LC passive filter is connected with an active filter, the required rating of the active filter is much smaller than that of a stand-alone shunt active filter. Here switching ripple filter is not required because its LC circuit accomplishes the filtering of the switching ripple. Simulation results of PI controller scheme are observed and it confirms the effectiveness of the SHPF in damping and mitigation of harmonics.

2. MODELING AND CONTROL STRATEGY.

SHPF

The shunt hybrid power filter (SHPF) contains the three phase supply voltage, three phase diode rectifier. The filtering system consists of a small-rating active power filter connected in series with the LC passive filter. This configuration of hybrid filter ensures the compensation of the source current harmonics by enhancing the compensation characteristics of the passive filter besides eliminating the risk of resonance. It provides effective compensation of current harmonics and limits supply voltage distortion. The hybrid filter is controlled such that the harmonic currents of the nonlinear loads flow through the passive filter and that only the fundamental frequency component of the load current is to be supplied by the ac mains.

2.1 Modeling of SHPF

The system equations can be written by using Kirchhoff's voltage law

$$\begin{aligned}
 v_{s1} &= L_{PF} \frac{di_{c1}}{dt} + R_{PF}i_{c1} + v_{CPF1} + v_{1M} + v_{MN} \\
 v_{s2} &= L_{PF} \frac{di_{c2}}{dt} + R_{PF}i_{c2} + v_{CPF2} + v_{2M} + v_{MN} \\
 v_{s3} &= L_{PF} \frac{di_{c3}}{dt} + R_{PF}i_{c3} + v_{CPF3} + v_{3M} + v_{MN} \\
 \frac{dv_{dc}}{dt} &= \frac{1}{C_{dc}} i_{dc} \quad (1)
 \end{aligned}$$

The k^{th} value of switching function ck , for $k = 1, 2, 3$ is defined as

$$c_k = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } s_k \text{ On and } s'_k \text{ is Off} \\ 0, & \text{if } s_k \text{ Off and } s'_k \text{ is On} \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

A switching state function d_{nk} is defined as

$$d_{nk} = (C_k - \frac{1}{3} \sum_{m=1}^3 C_m) n \quad (3)$$

Due to the absence of the zero sequence in the ac voltages and current in $[d_{nk}]$ functions which leads to the following transformed model in the three-phase coordinates.

$$\begin{aligned}
 L_{PF} \frac{di_{c1}}{dt} &= -R_{PF}i_{c1} - d_{n1}v_{dc} - v_{CPF1} + v_{s1} \\
 L_{PF} \frac{di_{c2}}{dt} &= -R_{PF}i_{c2} - d_{n2}v_{dc} - v_{CPF2} + v_{s2} \\
 L_{PF} \frac{di_{c3}}{dt} &= -R_{PF}i_{c3} - d_{n3}v_{dc} - v_{CPF3} + v_{s3} \\
 C_{dc} \frac{dv_{dc}}{dt} + \frac{v_{dc}}{R_{dc}} &= d_{n1}i_{c1} + d_{n2}i_{c2} + d_{n3}i_{c3} \quad (4)
 \end{aligned}$$

The synchronous orthogonal frame is obtained from the general transformation matrix (4).

$$C_{dq}^{123} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & \cos(\theta - 2\pi/3) & \cos(\theta - 4\pi/3) \\ \sin \theta & \sin(\theta - 2\pi/3) & -\sin(\theta - 4\pi/3) \end{bmatrix} \quad (5)$$

Where $\theta = \omega t$ and the following equalities hold:

$$C_{123}^{dq} = (C_{dq}^{123})^{-1} = (C_{dq}^{123})^T$$

3. THYRISTOR CONTROLLED REACTOR.

Thyristor control reactor is usually a 3 phase assembly, normally connected in delta Arrangement to provide partial cancellation of harmonics. Often the main TCR reactor is split into two halves, with the thyristor valve connected between the two halves. This protects the vulnerable thyristor valve from damage due to flash over, lightning strikes, etc. $u_q T = \frac{di_{LTq}}{dt}$ (9)

TCR operates when the current varied from maximum to almost zero by varying the firing delay angle α . And α is defined as the delay angle from the point at which the voltage becomes positive to the point at which the thyristor valve is turned on and current starts flow.

3.1 MODELING OF TCR

The equations can be obtained by using Kirchhoff's voltage law.

$$\begin{aligned}
 v_{s1} &= L_T \frac{di_{LT1}}{dt} + L_{PF} \frac{di_{c1}}{dt} + R_{PF}i_{c1} + d_{n1}v_{dc} \\
 v_{s2} &= L_T \frac{di_{LT2}}{dt} + L_{PF} \frac{di_{c2}}{dt} + R_{PF}i_{c2} + d_{n2}v_{dc} \\
 v_{s3} &= L_T \frac{di_{LT3}}{dt} + L_{PF} \frac{di_{c3}}{dt} + R_{PF}i_{c3} + d_{n3}v_{dc} \quad (6)
 \end{aligned}$$

By applying Park's transformation,

$$\begin{aligned}
 L_T(\alpha) \frac{di_{LTd}}{dt} &= L_T(\alpha)\omega i_{LTq} + L_{PF}\omega i_q - L_{PF} \frac{di_d}{dt} - R_{PF}i_d - d_{nd}v_{dc} + v_d \\
 L_T(\alpha) \frac{di_{LTq}}{dt} &= -L_T(\alpha)\omega i_{LTd} - L_{PF}\omega i_d - L_{PF} \frac{di_q}{dt} - R_{PF}i_q - d_{nq}v_{dc} + v_q \quad (7)
 \end{aligned}$$

The reactive part is taken to control the reactive current, $v_q = 0$ and $L_f(\alpha)\omega i_{LTd} = 0$

$$\frac{di_{LTd}}{dt} = B(\alpha)\omega \left[-L_{PF}\omega i_d - L_{PF} \frac{di_q}{dt} - R_{PF}i_q - d_{nq}v_{dc} \right] \quad (8)$$

Where $B(\alpha) = 1/LF(\alpha)\omega$ is the susceptance. An equivalent input $u_q T$ is defined as Based on this expression, equation 1 becomes

$$B(\alpha) = \frac{u_q T}{\omega \left[-L_{PF} \omega i_q - L_{PF} \frac{di_q}{dt} - R_{PF} i_q - d_{nq} v_{dc} \right]} \quad (10)$$

The equivalent inductance is given by

$$L_{PF}(\alpha) = L_{PF} \frac{\pi}{2\pi - 2\alpha + \sin(2\alpha)} \quad (11)$$

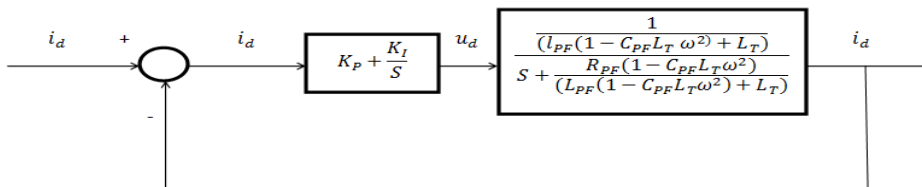
The susceptance is given by,

$$B(\alpha) = B \frac{2\pi - 2\alpha + \sin(2\alpha)}{\pi} \quad (12) \quad \text{Where } B = 1/L_{PF}\omega.$$

4. P I controller.

The three phase supply currents ISA, ISB, ISC are measured and transformed into synchronous reference frame (d-q) axes rotating at the fundamental angular speed. Power p and q contain two components i.e. dc and ac. A dc components arising from the fundamental component of the source current, and an ac component due to its harmonic components. The ac components i_{dh} , i_{qh} are extracted by two high pass filters and then, the harmonic component of the source current are obtained by applying the inverse transformation. To provide the inverter power losses and to maintain the DC voltage with in desired value, a dc component P Loss is added to the ac component of the imaginary power. It is generated by comparing the DC capacitor voltage with its reference value and applying the error to a P-I controller. To generate the required voltage command for the active filter inverter a d-q to a-b-c transformation is applied to convert the inverter voltage command back to the three phase quantities. The reference voltage of the active power filter is achieved by multiplying ac component of the source current in gain k_h as $A F h s h v^* = k i$.

4.1 Harmonic current control.



Inner control loop of the current i_d

Two kinds of loop one is fast inner current loop and another slow outer dc voltage control loop is adopted. The equations used for the modeling is written as shown below, because of the low coefficients the first and second derivative TCR capacitor voltages have no significant adverse impact on their performance of the proposed control technique.

With this transformation, the decoupled dynamics of the current tracking is obtained. The currents i_d and i_q can be controlled independently. Furthermore, by using proportional integral compensation, a fast dynamic response and zero steady-state errors can be achieved. The expressions of the tracking controllers are

$$u_d = (L_{PF}(1 - C_{PF}L_T\omega^2) + L_T) \frac{di_d}{dt} + R_{PF}(1 - C_{PF}L_T\omega^2) i_d = k_p \tilde{i}_d + k_i \int \tilde{i}_d dt$$

$$u_q = (L_{PF}(1 - C_{PF}L_T\omega^2) + L_T) \frac{di_q}{dt} + R_{PF}(1 - C_{PF}L_T\omega^2) i_q = k_p \tilde{i}_q + k_i \int \tilde{i}_q dt \quad (13)$$

Where $\tilde{i}_d = i^*d - i_d$ and $\tilde{i}_q = i^*q - i_q$ are current errors and i^*d and i^*q represents the reference signals of the i_d and i_q , respectively.

The transfer function of the proportional-integral controllers can be given by

$$G_{i1}(s) = \frac{U_d(s)}{\tilde{i}_d(s)} = k_{p1} + \frac{k_{i1}}{s}$$

$$G_{i2}(s) = \frac{U_q(s)}{\tilde{i}_q(s)} = k_{p2} + \frac{k_{i2}}{s} \quad (14)$$

The current i_d of the inner control loop is as shown in figure. The current loops of the closed-loop transfer function are

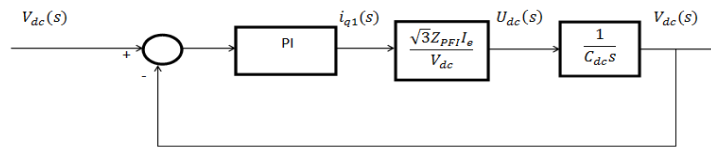
$$\frac{I_d(s)}{I_d^*(s)} = \frac{k_{p1}}{A} \frac{\left(s + \frac{k_{i1}}{k_{p1}}\right)}{s^2 + \left(\frac{B + k_{p1}}{A}\right)s + k_{i1}}$$

$$\frac{I_q(s)}{I_q^*(s)} = \frac{k_{p2}}{A} \frac{\left(s + \frac{k_{i2}}{k_{p2}}\right)}{s^2 + \left(\frac{B + k_{p2}}{A}\right)s + k_{i2}} \quad (15)$$

Where $A = L_{PF}(1 - C_{PF}L_T\omega^2) + L_T$ and $B = R_{PF}(1 - C_{PF}L_T\omega^2)$.

The current closed-loop transfer functions can be given as,

$$\frac{I_d(s)}{I_d^*(s)} = 2\zeta\omega_{ni} \frac{s + \frac{\omega_{ni}}{2\zeta}}{s^2 + 2\zeta\omega_{ni}s + \omega_{ni}^2} \quad (16)$$



Compensated voltage regulated model

Where ω_{ni} =outer loop natural angular frequency ζ =damping factor. For the optimal value of the damping factor $\zeta = \sqrt{2}/2$, the theoretical overshoot is 20.79 %. The following design relations can be derived:

$$kp_1 = kp_2 = 2\zeta\omega_{ni} (L_{PF}(1 - C_{PF}\omega^2) + L_T) - R_{PF}(1 - C_{PF}L_T \omega^2)$$

$$k_{i1} = k_{i2} = (L_{PF}(1 - C_{PF}\omega^2 L_T) + L_T)\omega_{ni}^2$$

4.2 Bus Voltage Regulation

For the maintain of the dc bus voltage level at a desired value, it acts on i_q to compensate the losses through the hybrid power filter components. The controller output is added to the q -component current reference i_q . The equation 6 can be rewritten as,

$$C_{dc} \frac{dv_{dc}}{dt} + \frac{v_{dc}}{R_{dc}} = d_{nq} i_q \tag{17}$$

Three phase filter currents can be given by

$$\begin{bmatrix} i_{c1} \\ i_{c2} \\ i_{c3} \end{bmatrix} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \begin{bmatrix} -\sin \theta \\ -\sin \left(\theta - \frac{2\pi}{3} \right) \\ -\sin \left(\theta - \frac{4\pi}{3} \right) \end{bmatrix} \tag{18}$$

Fundamental rms value of filter current I_c is

$$I_c = \frac{i_q}{\sqrt{3}} \tag{19}$$

Active filter voltage of q - axis (V_{mq}) is expressed as

$$V_{mq} = q_{nq} V_{dc} = -Z_{PF1} i_{q1}^* \tag{20}$$

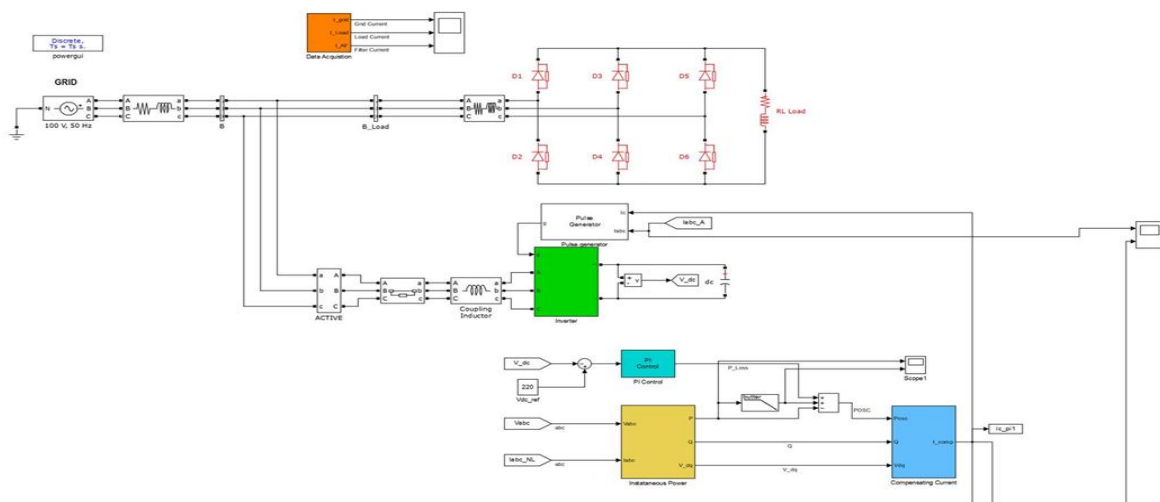
Where Z_{PF1} is the impedance of the passive filter at 50 Hz and $i_{q1}^* \cdot q_1$ is a dc component. An equivalent input u_{dc} can be written as

$$U_{dc} = q_{nq} i_q. \tag{21}$$

The deduced control effort of the dc voltage loop.

$$i_q^* = \frac{v_{dc}}{-z_{PF1} i_q} u_{dc} \tag{22}$$

Simulation in MAT lab simulink

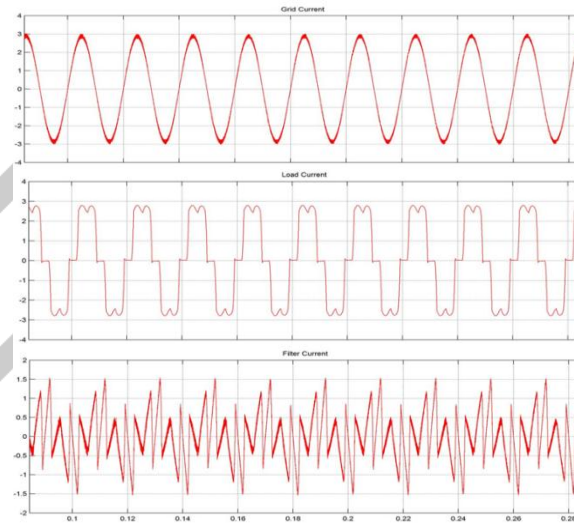


5. Simulation Results.

SPECIFICATION PARAMETERS

Line to Line source voltage, and frequency	$V_{s-l-l}=208\text{ V}, f_s=60\text{ Hz}$
Line impedance	$L_s=0.5\text{ mH}, R_s=0.1\ \Omega$
Non linear load	$L_{l,1}=10\text{ mH}, R_{l,1}=27\ \Omega$
Linear load	$L_{l,2}=20\text{ mH}, R_{l,2}=27\ \Omega$
Passive filter parameters	$L_{pf}=1.2\text{ mH}, C_{pf}=240\ \mu\text{F}$
Active filter parameters	$C_{dc}=3000\ \mu\text{F}, R_{dc}=1\text{ k}\ \Omega$
DC bus voltage of APF of SHAF	$V_{dc}=50\text{ V}$
Switching frequency	1920 Hz
Inner controller parameters	$K_{p1}=K_{p2}=43.38$; $K_{i1}=K_{i2}=37408$
Outer controller parameters	$K_1=0.26$; $K_2=42$
Cut off frequency of the low pass filters	$F_c=70\text{ Hz}$
TCR inductance	$L_T=25\text{ mH}$

5.1 Simulation waveforms



The combination of SHPF-TCR for harmonic elimination with a three phase harmonic produced load. The grid current i_{s1} , the load current i_{L1} , and the filter current (SHPF-TCR) i_{c1} are in phase with Voltage. The THD (total harmonic distortion) of a supply current is brought down from 26 % to 1.13 % .The combination of SHPF-TCR compensator gives a very good level of performance such that the supply current is close to sinusoidal and in phase with the supply voltage.

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