

Fuzzy Based Control of Induction Motor for A Four Switch Inverter Topology

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Abstract: The paper proposes an FLC scheme for a four switch inverter fed induction motor emulating the six switch inverter operation. An induction motor torque control strategy is proposed. The paper proposes a three phase inverter using only four switches rather than six switches, which is conventional approach. By using lesser number of switches the switching losses are reduced to a great extent.. Steady state operation of the induction motor is maintained by PI and fuzzy logic controllers.

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1. Introduction

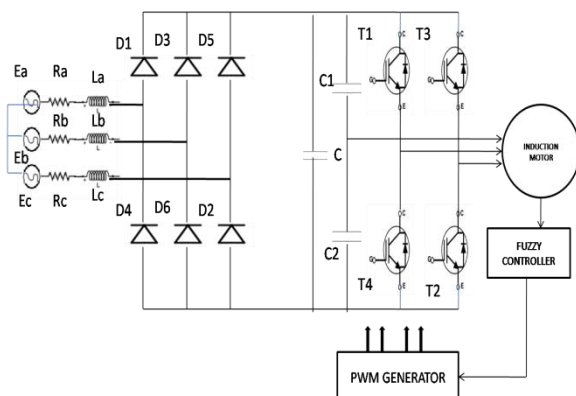
The major advantages of DTC scheme introduced in the middle of 80's lead to further researches which improved the original DTC strategy yielding better performance.

The areas of focus were mainly torque ripple and switching frequency. To find a solution for mentioned problems, space vector modulation is incorporated. Along with four switch VSI, the disadvantage of this being only complexity in implementing the scheme.

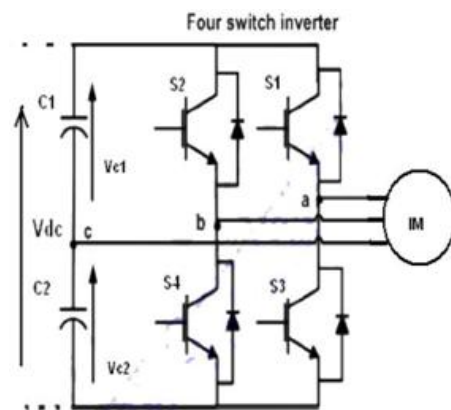
The proposed scheme is equipped for ripple reduction in torque. The steady state oscillations and unwanted forced oscillations can be eliminated by the designed PI controllers.

2. Circuit Diagram Description

The AC input is fed to a three phase diode bridge which produces a DC output. The DC is further converted to AC by a four switch three phase inverter topology before feeding to the induction motor. The fuzzy controller makes it possible to control the triggering of the inverter side switches to provide the desired output.



Vector control strategy is widely used in the implementation of four switch three phase inverter. In the six switch topology the active vectors present were six which is now carefully cut down to four in the proposed topology.



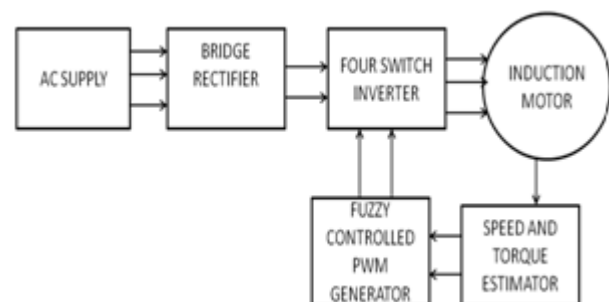
The PWM signal is applied to the switches to obtain the desired switching pattern and hence the desired output. To make this possible we employ the space vector pulse width modulation.

The inverter consists of two capacitance and four switches. The respective voltage across each capacitor is V_{c1} and V_{c2} .
 $V_{dc} = V_{c1} + V_{c2}$

In order to switch the switches a small dead time is given between the switches of the upper and lower switches to ensure no accidental short circuits.

Scheme of scalar modulation which makes use of phase voltages for the assessment and calculation of switching frequency is made use of this topology as the implementation is fairly easy.

3. Block Diagram



The proposed inverter is used to control the induction motor. Block diagram includes input from power supply, PIC drive

circuit, control algorithm and respective converting circuit at the input side as well as the load side.

Input Source

The input given is an AC supply to a diode bridge rectifier. The DC output from the rectifier is fed to the proposed inverter. The output from the control circuit is fed to the inverter which regulated the switches according to the load requirement.

The input to IC and drive circuit is inevitably given from +5V and +12V DC supply.

Rectifier

A diode bridge rectifier circuit provides satisfactory performance for our application. Around 90% of rms value of input will be available at the output of the rectifier. The ripples present at the output of the rectifier circuit due to the operation of the diode will be suitably filtered by the use of capacitor.

Torque Estimator

A simple PI controller is used for the purpose of torque estimation. Speed error between reference speed and actual speed is obtained and torque is calculated. The calculated torque is fed to the fuzzy controller. We keep the stator flux at a fixed value and vary the stator angle.

Flux Estimator

Fuzzy logic controller is again responsible for the operation of flux estimation. The input from PI controller as current component is made use to control speed.

The output from the fuzzy logic controller is used to look up the switching table of space vector pulse width modulation.

Induction Motor

Motors are most widely used for industrial application are induction motors. The most versatile feature about induction motor is its characteristic constant speed from no load to full load. The speed control mechanisms are usually implemented in DC motors as induction motors are less adaptable for speed control. The rotor rotates in the external field created by the stator and the electrical energy is converted to mechanical energy. That is why it is called a rotating transformer.

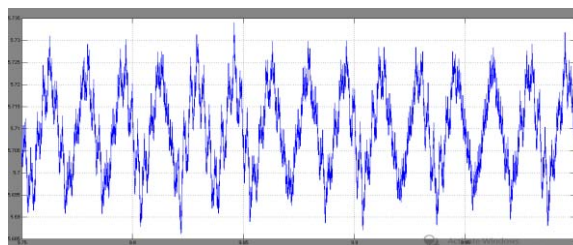
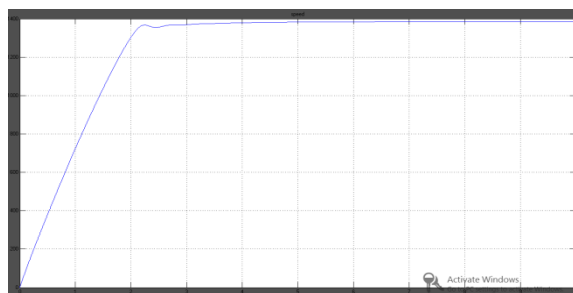
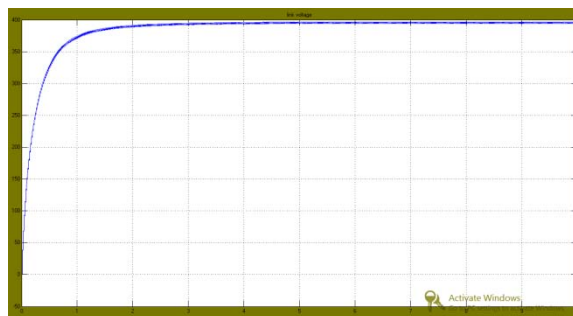
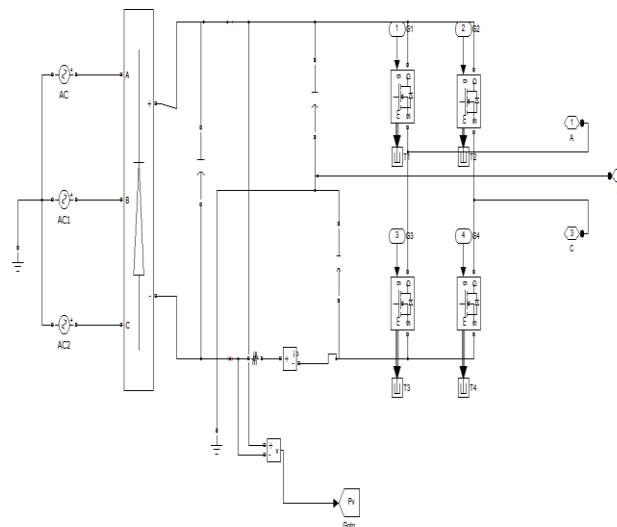
Fuzzy Controller

A fuzzy controller is introduced in the system to assess the correlation between the prevailing condition and the output. This relation is checked using a IF-THEN rule which is common in fuzzy inference systems. The described condition is associated with the conclusion using the rule. The former part mainly refers to the condition while the latter describes the output or the conclusion.

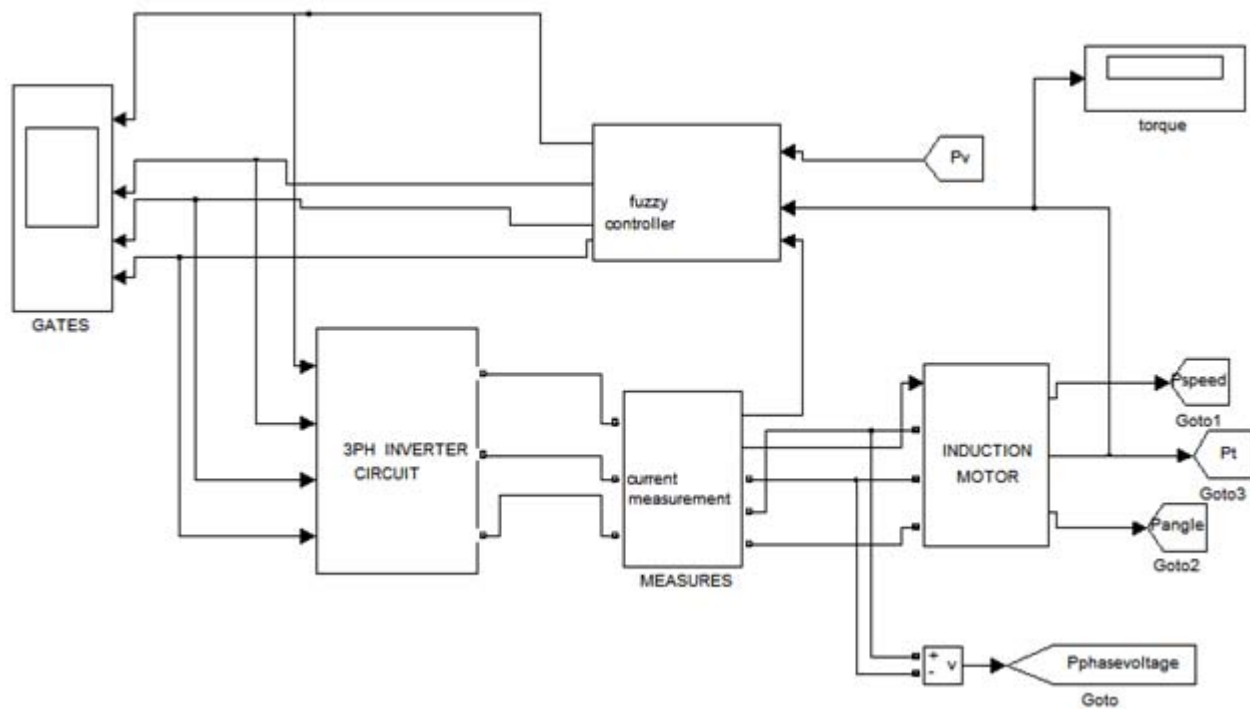
Implication Rule

The output and input are correlated by the above mentioned rule. The basic sense of fuzzy logic is made in use here.

4. Experimental Result



The circuit was developed and the analysis of the proposed scheme using MATLAB obtained the results below.



5. Conclusion

A simple but efficient method to control the torque ripple in induction motor is presented in the paper. The strategic selection of the control signal of inverter enables us to have direct control over motor variables.

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