A novel fuzzy based controller to reduce circulating currents in parallel interleaved converter connected to the grid

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ABSTRACT

This paper exhibits suppression strategy of low frequency circulating current components for parallel inter-leaved converters. Here inverters are parallelized by magnetically coupled inductors. Traditionally, carrier interleaved technique was used to get lower distorted output voltage, but it gives a higher circulating currents to flow through the Two-VSC's. The mutual inductance of the coupled inductors (CI) is utilized for minimizing circulating currents of high frequency components. Nevertheless, CI can't have capability to riddle the components generated by low frequency. When these circulating currents extremely increases may leads to CI saturation, elevated switching losses and diminishes the entire performance of system. Here author identified a novel control technique for a grid-connected parallel inter-leaved converter depending on approach of energy shaping control (ECS). This controller diminishes the value of the low frequency components of circulating current (LFCC). The performance of the proposed circuit is evaluated in simulation mode and correlated with the conventional proportional integral control (PIC) and the linear quadratic control (LQC). The Fuzzy controller is also included in this work to enhance the converter performance effectively and to diminish the circulating currents along with the healthy harmonic performance analysis.

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1. INTRODUCTION

In recent times, with the development of power semi-conductor devices, power converters are used in numerous applications like RES and FACTS. For high-power appliances, the converters are connected in parallel are configured as one of the most challenging topology, primarily due to its capability of handling large rating of power, network reliability with efficiency [1]. However, due to the presence of circulating currents, it may lead to distortion in output currents flowing through individual converter, mal-functioning of the power converter devices and deduction in the efficiency [2]. Hence, total harmonic distortion will increase.

In a voltage source inverter, joining each leg in parallel is an approach to amplify the output current and, finally rated power. This type of arrangement is done by coupled or uncoupled inductors, and attaining an equal contribution to the output current from all the legs is a vital issue. Power switching devices subjected to additional losses and stress due to these circulating currents. Consequently, in order minimize the effect of these currents; an effective strategy is implemented to obtain balance, when coupled inductors are used is given in [3].

CI provides low conductance with respect to circulating currents. So, without need of additional control equipment it can be able to reduce these currents for balancing. This configuration regulates the harmonic performance analysis of output voltages by adopting exact modulation methods [4]. Often, parallelized inverter carrier pulses are phase shifted by 1800, which provides several advantages to the system such as escalating no of levels in output voltage, degrading in size of filter and CMV [5].

Furthermore, authors in many papers extended their research on minimizing the circulating currents, which are flowing through the CI. In [6], it is described that common dc bus parallel inverter system for minimization of circulating current using sinusoidal pulse width modulation (SPWM) to overcome the dead-time effects. Design and reasons for having zero sequence circulating currents (ZSCC) in the parallel grid-connected three-phase inverters and reduction of these currents using PI controller are presented in detail [7]. In [8], the author represents a novel zero sequence circulating current reduction method based on the developing selective harmonic elimination pulse-width modulation (SHEPWM) for parallel three-level T-type inverters, which is used to increase the capacity of the distributed generation system.

A modified DPWM technique was presented in [9] to diminish the overall Peak to peak at value of the circulating currents and CMV. To generate reference signals for each particular leg of individual converter, Dongsul Shin *et al.* developed balancing technique. By utilizing the output currents of individual converter [10], we can determine the reference signals at suitable time intervals, which are equaled to the switching period. Authors have suggested decreasing the magnitude of the circulating currents with deadbeat control technique in [11]. Furthermore, supplementary literature's have focused on their research for the minimization of the ZSCC, which gives a net sum of circulating currents is flowing through all three phases comparatively the individual differential mode currents. The author [12], was proposed that, to restrain these currents a Carrier phase shifted PWM was used in modular bi-level inter-leaved converters. Moreover, two more schemes were introduced in [13, 14] for decreasing the ZSCC based on the HEPWM technique. Researchers extend their work to reduce the ZSCC effectively; Karthikeyan *et al.*, introduced a strategy that by adjusting the distribution of the null vectors in the conventional (SVM) scheme through PI controller [15]. All these specified techniques exhibit the magnitude of circulating currents are in allowable permits

In the proposed work, it is recommended to restrict the LFCC by ESC. Here, in order to satisfy energy balance equation, the structure is taken as an energy transformation arrangement. It accomplishes stabilization of passive network by means of HS with a suitable storage function, signifies the essential energy of the closed-loop system. In all power switching converters this type of control technique been used. In [16], to control the operation of a three-phase front end converter this control technique was used. It was used in micro grid applications [17] by controlling back-to-back converters. In [18], for a Tri-level T-type converter with energy storage system, an ESC is developed. To control the circulating currents in parallel interleaved connected power inverters a new dead-time compensation method using carrier based sinusoidal pulse width modulation and modified discontinuous PWM techniques are given in [19, 20]. The inverters are connected in parallel for distributed generation application that operates under different load conditions was investigated in [21] and improved droop control strategy for these converters are developed in [22]. Parallel operation of inverters with active power filters and their control techniques are discussed in detail [23, 24]. The author desires to promote an ESC for a PL-IC. It can be amalgamated for huge power applications such as RES and FACTS. The suggested technique in this paper endeavors a desired control of LFCC with the appreciable currents injected to the grid.

2. DESIGN AND MATHEMATICAL MODELING OF THE PARALLEL INTER-LEAVED CONVERTER (PL-IC)

2.1. Mathematical model

This segment gives the representation of the PL-IC, which is tied to the grid by means of an inductive filter shown in Figure 1. The output voltages, v_A , v_B and v_C , are the function of switching signals S_{xi} and excitation voltage signal u_{dc} . 'i' a symbol of the two parallelized VSC ($i \{1, 2\}$) and 'x' indicates the converter phases ($x \{A, B, C\}$). The currents flowing through the grid are indicated as i_A , i_B and i_C . In proposed topology, the output voltages w.r.t to the mid-point, 'O' is written as:

$$V_{xi} = \frac{v_{dc}}{2} (2S_{xi} - 1) \tag{1}$$

The line to ground voltage of converter is represented with the below equations:

$$v_{AG} = v_{AA1} + v_{A10} + v_{OG}$$

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(2)

 $v_{AG} = v_{AA2} + v_{A20} + v_{OG}$

(3)



Figure 1. Arrangement of parallel inter-leaved converter

Along with this, the voltage across the couplled inductors can be indicated by:

$$\begin{aligned}
\nu_{AA1} &= -\left(L_M \frac{di_{A1}}{dt} - L_M \frac{di_{A2}}{dt}\right) - L_L \frac{di_{A1}}{dt} - R_0 i_{A1} \\
\nu_{AA2} &= -\left(L_M \frac{di_{A2}}{dt} - L_M \frac{di_{A1}}{dt}\right) - L_L \frac{di_{A1}}{dt} - R_0 i_{A2}
\end{aligned} \tag{4}$$

In (4), L0 is the mutual inductance and L_L indicates leekage inductance. So, (2) plus (3) implies:

$$2v_{AG} = -L_L \frac{di_A}{dt} - R_0 i_A + v_{A_10} + v_{A_10} + 2v_{OG}$$
⁽⁵⁾

Along with; $i_{A_1} + i_{A_2} = i_A$ So VAG can be written as;

$$v_{AG} = \frac{v_{A10} + v_{A20}}{2} - \frac{L_L}{2} \frac{di_A}{dt} - \frac{R_0}{2} i_A + v_{OG}$$
(6)

Likewise, at the two ends of A_1 and A_2 , the differential voltage is found by the (4):

$$v_{A_1A_2} = (L_L + 2L_M) \left(\frac{di_{A_1}}{dt} - \frac{di_{A_2}}{dt}\right) + R_0(i_{A_1} - i_{A_2}) \tag{7}$$

Above expression can be re written as; $i_{CA} = \frac{i_{A_1} - i_{A_2}}{2}$ Using i_{CA} we will get;

$$v_{A_10} - v_{A_20} = L_2 \frac{di_{CA}}{dt} + 2R_0 i_{CA}$$
(8)

where $L_2 = 2L_L + 4L_M$

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In addition, with respect to Figure 1, output voltages delivered by the PL-IC are:

$$\begin{cases} v_{AG} = Ri_A + L\frac{di_A}{dt} + e_A \\ v_{BG} = Ri_B + L\frac{di_B}{dt} + e_B \\ v_{CG} = Ri_C + L\frac{di_C}{dt} + e_C \end{cases}$$
(9)

Here R and L are inductive filter parameters.

From (9) and (5) we will get;

$$L\frac{di_{A}}{dt} = -Ri_{A} - e_{A} + \frac{v_{A_{1}0} + v_{A_{2}0}}{2} - \frac{L_{L}}{2}\frac{di_{A}}{dt} - \frac{R_{0}}{2}i_{A} + v_{OG}$$

$$L\frac{di_{B}}{dt} = -Ri_{B} - e_{B} + \frac{v_{B_{1}0} + v_{B_{2}0}}{2} - \frac{L_{L}}{2}\frac{di_{B}}{dt} - \frac{R_{0}}{2}i_{B} + v_{OG}$$

$$L\frac{di_{C}}{dt} = -Ri_{C} - e_{C} + \frac{v_{C_{1}0} + v_{C_{2}0}}{2} - \frac{L_{L}}{2}\frac{di_{C}}{dt} - \frac{R_{0}}{2}i_{C} + v_{OG}$$
(10)

By substituting (1) in (10), the following relations are obtained.

$$L_{1}\frac{di_{A}}{dt} = -R_{1}i_{A} - e_{A} + \frac{v_{dc}}{4}(2S_{A1} - 1) + \frac{v_{dc}}{4}(2S_{A2} - 1) + v_{OG}$$

$$L_{1}\frac{di_{B}}{dt} = -R_{1}i_{B} - e_{B} + \frac{v_{dc}}{4}(2S_{B1} - 1) + \frac{v_{dc}}{4}(2S_{B2} - 1) + v_{OG}$$

$$L_{1}\frac{di_{C}}{dt} = -R_{1}i_{C} - e_{C} + \frac{v_{dc}}{4}(2S_{C1} - 1) + \frac{v_{dc}}{4}(2S_{C2} - 1) + v_{OG}$$
(11)

Here $L_1 = (L + \frac{L_L}{2})$ and $R_1 = (R + \frac{R_0}{2})$ Similarly by substituting (2) in (8), the dynamics of circulating currents can be obtained as:

$$\begin{cases} L_2 \frac{di_{CA}}{dt} = -2R_0 i_{CA} - e_A + \frac{v_{dC}}{2} (2S_{A1} - 1) - \frac{v_{dC}}{2} (2S_{A2} - 1) \\ L_2 \frac{di_{CB}}{dt} = -2R_0 i_{CB} - e_B + \frac{v_{dC}}{2} (2S_{B1} - 1) - \frac{v_{dC}}{2} (2S_{B2} - 1) \\ L_2 \frac{di_{CC}}{dt} = -2R_0 i_{CC} - e_C + \frac{v_{dC}}{2} (2S_{C1} - 1) - \frac{v_{dC}}{2} (2S_{C2} - 1) \end{cases}$$
(12)

The above expression can be reduced to more simple by using Parks transformation, which renovates the (11) and (12) in to the revolving frame dq, coordinated with respect to angle of grid θgr . Hence, the dynamic of the PL-IC is given by:

$$\begin{cases} L_{1} \frac{di_{d}}{dt} = -R_{1}i_{d} + \omega L_{1}i_{q} - e_{grd} + \frac{u_{dc}}{4}S_{d1} + \frac{u_{dc}}{4}S_{d2} \\ L_{1} \frac{di_{d}}{dt} = -R_{1}i_{q} + \omega L_{1}i_{d} - e_{grq} + \frac{u_{dc}}{4}S_{q1} + \frac{u_{dc}}{4}S_{q2} \\ L_{2} \frac{di_{c.d}}{dt} = -2R_{0}i_{c.d} + \omega L_{2}i_{c.q} + \frac{v_{dc}}{2}S_{d1} - \frac{v_{dc}}{2}S_{d2} \\ L_{2} \frac{di_{c.q}}{dt} = -2R_{0}i_{c.q} - \omega L_{2}i_{c.d} + \frac{v_{dc}}{2}S_{q1} - \frac{v_{dc}}{2}S_{q2} \end{cases}$$
(13)

 S_{d1} , S_{d2} , S_{q1} and S_{q2} are Switching Functions of direct, quadrature axis for the two paralleled converters.

2.2. Port carrey Hamilton (PCH) model of the PL-IC

The converter is considered as an inactive system as it can merely exchange's energy, but it doesn't has the capability of delivering on its own. Consequently, it can be designed as PCH system that satisfies the necessities of ECS. The configuration is:

$$\dot{x} = [J(x) - R(x)] \frac{\partial E(x)}{\partial x} + p(x)u$$

$$y = p^{T}(x) \frac{\partial E(x)}{\partial x}$$
(14)

In (14), J(x) is the bridge matrix taken as an anti-symmetric $(J(x)=J(x)^T)$. R(x), symmetric matrix. p(x), external port matrix an E(x), energy function of the system. In (14), u and y are excitation and output parameters of the system. The relation (13) is represented by:

$$\begin{pmatrix} L_{1}i_{d} \\ L_{1}i_{q} \\ L_{2}i_{c_d} \\ L_{2}i_{c_q} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \omega L_{1} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -\omega L_{1} & 0 & 0 & 0 & \omega L_{2} \\ 0 & 0 & -\omega L2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} R_{1} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & R_{1} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2R_{0} & 0 & 0 & 2R_{0} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} i_{d} \\ i_{q} \\ i_{c_d} \\ i_{c_q} \end{pmatrix} + \frac{V_{dc}}{4} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} S_{d1} \\ S_{d2} \\ S_{d2} \\ S_{d2} \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2R_{0} \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} e_{gridq}$$
(15)
with $j(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \omega L_{1} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -\omega L_{1} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -\omega L2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } \mathbf{R}(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} R_{1} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & R_{1} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2R_{0} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2R_{0} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

From the above discussion, clearly (14) it is considered as PCH. The HF,

$$h(\bar{x}) = \frac{1}{2} L_1 \dot{i}_d^2 + \frac{1}{2} L_1 \dot{i}_q^2 + \frac{1}{2} L_2 \dot{i}_{c_d}^2 + \frac{1}{2} L_2 \dot{i}_{c_q}^2$$
(16)

And
$$x = [L_1 i^d \ L_1 i^q \ L_2 i^{c_d} \ L_2 i^{c_q}]$$
 (17)

The external port connection matrices are specified by:

$$p_{1} = \frac{v_{dc}}{4} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix}; p_{2} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}^{T}; p_{3} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}^{T}$$

 $h(\bar{x})$ can be given as:

$$h(\bar{x}) = \frac{1}{2L_1} (L^1 i^d)^2 + \frac{1}{2L_1} (L^{1'} i^q)^2 + \frac{1}{2L_2} (L^2 i^{c_- d})^2 + \frac{1}{2L_2} (L^2 i^{c_- q})^2$$
(18)

If the state variables may be referred as x_1, x_2, x_3 and x_4 ; (18) becomes:

$$h(\bar{x}) = \frac{1}{2L_1} (x_1)^2 + \frac{1}{2L_1} (x_2)^2 + \frac{1}{2L_1} (x_3)^2 + \frac{1}{2L_1} (x_4)^2$$
(19)

Therefore, the HF Gradient is defined as:

$$\frac{\partial h(\bar{x})}{\partial x} = \left[\frac{\partial h}{\partial x_1} \frac{\partial h}{\partial x_2} \frac{\partial h}{\partial x_3} \frac{\partial h}{\partial x_4}\right]^T = \left[i_d \ i_q \ i_{c_d} \ i_{q_d}\right]^T \tag{20}$$

3. CONTROL SCHEMES FOR GRID CONNECTED CONVERTER (GCC) **3.1.** PIC based GCC

The control process of the PI-LC with PIC is shown in Figure 2. In order to measure current and voltage at the PCC to the grid, voltage and current sensors was used. By means of PLL, the grid phase angle θ_{grid} is obtained. The target is attained by setting the e^*_{gridd} to zero. PI controler is utilized to adjust the grid angle with respect to the error between e^*_{gridd} and e_{gridd} . So, the grid voltage vector is associated with the q axis of the revolving frame. This conventional control is studied earlier in enormous literature's [5]. The expressions of P and Q supplied to grid are given as:

$$\begin{cases}
P^{\text{grid}} = e_{\text{gridd}} i^d + e_{\text{gridq}} i^q \\
Q^{\text{grid}} = e_{\text{gridd}} i^d - e_{\text{gridq}} i^q
\end{cases} (21)$$

Based on (21), current set points, i_d^* and i_q^* are achieved by the grid voltages, P_{grid}^* and Q_{grid}^*

$$i_{d}^{*} = \frac{P_{\text{grid}}^{*} e_{\text{grid}} + Q_{\text{grid}}^{*} e_{\text{grid}}^{1}}{e_{\text{grid}}^{2} + e_{\text{grid}}^{2}}$$
(22)

$$i_q^* = \frac{P_{grid}^e e_{grid} - Q_{grid}^e e_{grid}}{e_{grid}^2 + e_{grid}^2} \tag{23}$$

With the help of differential equations, the control pattern is built from the elements in the grid and represented in "dq" by:

$$L_1 \bar{\iota}_{d,q} + L_1 \bar{\iota}_{d,q} = \bar{\nu}_{id,q} - j L_1 \omega_{grid} \bar{\iota}_{d,q} - \bar{e}_{gridd,q}$$

$$\tag{24}$$

In the above expressions, $\bar{v}_{id,q}$ indicates the voltage vector generated by the PI-LC.

3.2. LQC based GCC

Inverter connected to the grid with LQC is shown in Figure 3. The improvement in the controller is achieved by the state space representation which is given by (16). Hence,

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}_{lq} = A x_{lq} + B u_s \\ y_{lq} = C x_{lq} \end{cases}$$
(25)

where Y yields output vector i.e, $y = \begin{bmatrix} i_d & i_q \end{bmatrix}^T$ u_s is input vector $\begin{bmatrix} v_{id} - e_{gridd} & v_{iq} - e_{gridq} \end{bmatrix}^T$

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{-R_1}{L_1} & \omega_{grid} \\ \omega_{grid} & \frac{-R_1}{L_1} \end{pmatrix}; \mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{L_1} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{L_1} \end{pmatrix}; \mathbf{C} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Stabilizing feedback matrix K_d is efficiently calculated by LQC technique. It satisfies the overall performances of energy control and transient response. The modelling of this controller is given in detail [25].



 $\frac{i_{A} \quad L \quad R \quad e_{grid}}{i_{B}}$

Figure 2. Converter connected to the grid with PIC

Figure 3. Converter connected to the grid with LQC

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3.3. ESC based GCC

GCC satisfies the PCH notation given in (17). In PCH, bridge and the damping matrices can handle internal energy exchange efficiently [26]. Finally, the preferred configuration is shown below:

$$\dot{x} = [J_p(x) - R_p(x)] \frac{\partial H_p(x)}{\partial x}$$
with
$$\begin{cases}
J_p(x) = J(x) + J_\alpha(x) \\
R_p(x) = R(x) + R_\alpha(x)
\end{cases}$$
(26)

where, $J_p(x)$ denotes the preferable bridge matrix, $R_p(x)$ is preferable dissipation matrix and $H_p(x)$ is expected energy function respectively.

$$J_{\alpha}(x) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \omega L_1 & 0 & 0 \\ -\omega L_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \omega L_2 \\ 0 & 0 & -\omega L2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}; R_{\alpha}(x) = \begin{pmatrix} r_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & r_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & r_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & r_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

 r_1 and r_2 are a positive numerical. ESC permit u=y(x) such that the dynamic behavior of the closed loop system are illustrated in (24). Here, the motive is to track the current set points efficiently by proper designing of controler. Hence, the required energy function of PL-IC is given by:

$$H_d(x) = \frac{1}{2} L_1 \left(i_d - i_d^* \right)^2 + \frac{1}{2} L_1 \left(i_q - i_q^* \right)^2 + \frac{1}{2} L_2 \left(i_{c_d} - i_{c_d}^* \right)^2 + \frac{1}{2} L_2 \left(i_{c_q} - i_{c_q}^* \right)^2$$
(27)

Here $i_{c_{-}d}^*$ and $i_{c_{-}q}^*$ shows the circulating currents set points. The gradient of required Hamilton function (HF) and the distinct state vector is represented by:

$$\nabla H_d(x) = \left[\frac{\partial H_d}{\partial x_1} \frac{\partial H_d}{\partial x_2} \frac{\partial H_d}{\partial x_3} \frac{\partial H_d}{\partial x_4}\right]^T = \begin{pmatrix} i_d - i_d^* \\ i_q - i_q \\ i_{c-d} - i_{c-d} \\ i_{c-q} - i_{c-q} \\ i_{c-q} - i_{c-q} \end{pmatrix}$$
(28)

$$X = \left[L_1(i_d - i_d^*) \ L_1(i_q - i_q^*) \ L_2(i_{c_d} - i_{c_d}^*) \ L_2(i_{c_q} - i_{c_q}^*) \right]^T$$
(29)

ESC attains the stabilization guided by the expected Hd(x). The control input u of network is obtained as:

$$[J(x) - R(x)]\frac{\partial H(x)}{\partial x} + g(x)u = [J_d(x) - R_d(x)]\frac{\partial H_d(x)}{\partial x}$$
(30)

If the system functions nearest to the expected point, then the $H_d(x)$ tries to maintain at the lowest value. So, (15) should satisfy:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & \omega L_{1} & 0 & 0 \\ -\omega L_{1} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \omega L_{2} \\ 0 & 0 & -\omega L^{2} & 0 \end{pmatrix}^{-} \begin{pmatrix} R_{1} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & R_{1} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2R_{0} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2R_{0} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} i_{d} \\ i_{q} \\ i_{c_{-}d} \\ i_{c_{-}q} \end{pmatrix}$$
$$+ \begin{pmatrix} S_{d1} \\ S_{q1} \\ 2S_{d1} \\ 2S_{q1} \end{pmatrix}^{-} \underbrace{ \begin{pmatrix} S_{d2} \\ S_{q2} \\ -2S_{d2} \\ -2S_{q2} \end{pmatrix}^{-} \underbrace{ u_{dc} }_{4_{-}} \begin{pmatrix} e_{gridd} \\ e_{gridq} \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = 0$$
(31)

At steady-state point, output currents are identically distributed among converters and hence zero circulating currents flowing through a system ($i_{c_d}=i_{c_q}=0$). Steady- state values are determined by (31):

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$$\begin{cases} s_{d1}^* = s_{d2}^* = s_{d0}^* = \frac{-\omega L_1 i_q^* + R_1 i_d^* + e_{gridd}}{\frac{u_{dc}}{2}} \\ s_{q1}^* = s_{q2}^* = s_{q0}^* = \frac{-\omega L_1 i_d^* + R_1 i_q^* + e_{gridq}}{\frac{u_{dc}}{2}} \end{cases}$$
(32)

The control action $u = [s_{d1}^* s_{d2}^* s_{q1}^* s_{q2}^*]^T$ is opted by the matching (30). Assuming $i_{c_d}^* = i_{c_q}^* = 0$, the solution of (26) gives:

$$\frac{s_{d1}^* + s_{d2}^*}{2} = s_{d0}^* + \frac{\omega L_1(i_q - i_q^*) + r_1((i_d - i_d^*))}{\frac{u_{dc}}{2}}$$
(33)

$$\frac{s_{q_1}^* + s_{q_2}^*}{2} = s_{q_0}^* - \frac{\omega L_1(i_d - i_d^*) + r_1((i_q - i_q^*))}{\frac{u_{d_c}}{2}}$$
(34)

$$s_{d1}^* - s_{d2}^* = \frac{\omega L_2 i_{c,q} + r_2 i_{c,d}}{\frac{u_{d2}}{2}}$$
(35)

$$s_{q1}^* - s_{q2}^* = \frac{-\omega L_2 i_{c_{\underline{d}}} - r_2 i_{c_{\underline{q}}}}{\frac{u_{dc}}{2}}$$
(36)

The response obtained from (33)-(36) are considered as b_1 , b_2 , b_3 and b_4 respectively. Further, these equations are expressed as:

$$Z_e = \begin{pmatrix} s_{d1}^* \\ s_{d2}^* \end{pmatrix} = B_1 \tag{37}$$

$$Z_e = \begin{pmatrix} S_{q1}^* \\ S_{q2}^* \end{pmatrix} = B_2 \tag{38}$$

ith,
$$Z_e = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$
, $B_1 = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_3 \end{pmatrix}$, $B_1 = \begin{pmatrix} b_2 \\ b_4 \end{pmatrix}$

Solutions from (37) and (38) give the desired excitation for the two paralleled converters. The switching function which is taken as reference is calculated smoothly with the help of the inverse of matrix A. Figure 4 shows the block diagram of a control structure for determining the reference switching function with ESC. The DC bus voltage controlling is similar to the PIC.



Figure 4. Converter connected to the grid with ESC

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$$\binom{s_{d1}^*}{s_{d2}^*} = Z_e^{-1} \binom{b_1}{b_3}$$
(39)

$$\begin{pmatrix} S_{q1}^* \\ S_{q2}^* \end{pmatrix} = Z_e^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} b_2 \\ b_4 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (40)

where
$$Z_e^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 1 & -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

4. SUMMARY OF RESULTS

Here, the performance of the converter with different controllers is given. The converter results with PIC, LQC and ESC are obtained and with ESC the performance of the converter is achieved better as compared to PIC and LQC in terms of reducing the circulating currents.

4.1. Converter performance with PIC

Figure 5 gives the function of the system with PIC. Figure 5(a) portrays the current delivered to the grid and Figure 5(b) describes the currents flowing through the converter delivered by phase's C1 and C2. From Figure 5(b), magnitude of the current in converter 1 is considerably larger than the magnitude of the current in converter 2. Hence, the sharing of the grid currents in the two converters are unequal leads to LFCC's. The dc offset component of circulating current can attain 0.5A (iCC) as exhibited in Figure 5(c), which is nearly 30% of the magnitude of the grid current. Consequently, abandoned circulating currents are larger in magnitude, which may lead to saturation of coupling inductors. Additionally, it raises the power converters switching losses. P and Q delivered to the grid are demonstrated in Figure 5(d).



Figure 5. Performance of converter with PIC, (a) grid current, (b) converter currents, (c) difference mode currents, (d) PQ powers

4.2. Converter performance with LQC

Figure 6 gives the function of the GCC with the LQC. The results are obtained with LQC is very nearer to the results with PIC. Even so, still some considerable amount of circulating currents are present in the two converters as shown in Figure 6(a) and grid powers shown in Figure 6(b).



Figure 6. Performance of converter with LQC, (a) difference mode currents, (b) grid powers

4.3. Converter performance with ESC

Figure 7 gives the behaviour of the grid with ESC. The currents which are supplied to the grid are illustrated in Figures 7(a) and (b) describes the currents flowing through the converters delivered by phases C1 and C2. In this case it is noticed that, currents are distributed identically between the converters. Additionally, the dc component of circulating currents for three phases is diminished to zero and only circulating currents which are having high frequency travels among two Converters as shown in Figure 7(c) and Figure (d) shows the converter powers. The DC bus voltage remains stable as represented in Figure 7(f).



Figure 7. Performance of converter with ESC, (a) grid current, (b) converter currents, (c) difference mode currents, (d) grid powers, (e) VAB, (f) dc bus voltage

4.4. Converter behavior with fuzzy control

Figure 8 exhibits grid behavior with fuzzy control. The currents, which are supplied to grid are illustrated on Figure 8(a). Whereas, Figure 8(b) describe the currents flowing through the converters

delivered by phases C1 and C2. In this case it has been noticed that, current flowing through the individual converters are distributed identically.



Figure 8. Performance of converter with fuzzy control, (a) grid current, (b) converter currents

Figures 9 (a, b, c, d) shows that harmonic spectrum analysis of grid and converter currents with ESC and fuzzy control techniques. Clearly it can be observed that with Fuzzy the harmonic content in the grid current and converter currents are reduced effectively. Along with the harmonic analysis, it is proved that the LFCC components also minimized with fuzzy control efficiently.



Figure 9. Harmonic spectrum analysis, (a) grid currents with ES, (b) grid currents with fuzzy, (c) converter currents with ESC, (d) converter currents with fuzzy

5. CONCLUSION

Converter legs connected in inter-leaved configuration improves the maximum power through each converter but generates circulating currents within the converter legs that should be minimized for efficient functioning of the system. This becomes more challenging at low switching frequencies as unequal voltages between the inter-leaved converters are generally applied for longer time intervals. The reduction of these circulating currents in each phase of two inter-leaved converter leg with PIC, LQC, ESC and fuzzy controllers is studied in this paper. The recommended controller is further implemented by an evaluation and optimal selection of SPWM patterns, which reduce the peak of the circulating currents. Simulation results demonstrate and confirm the performance of the recommended controller.

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