



Genetic Algorithm Based Pole Placement Controller for A CSC Based STATCOM

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ABSTRACT-STATCOM is a FACTS controller that is used in power systems to regulate the line voltage, enhance the power transmission capacity and extend the transient stability margin. STATCOM is conventionally realized by a voltage-source converter; however, being a current injection device, its performance can be improved when realized by a current-source converter (CSC) that can generate a controllable current directly at its output terminals. In this paper, a STATCOM based on the current-source converter topology is proposed. But the best constant values for pole placement controller's parameters are laboriously obtained through trial and error, although time consuming. So the genetic algorithm (GA) is employed to find the best values for pole placement controller's parameters in a very short time. These methods are tested in MATLAB, and their results are obtained. The simulation results show an improvement in input output response of CSC-STATCOM.

KEYWORDS: CSC, FACTS, GA, Pole placement, STATCOM.

I. INTRODUCTION

In an important member of the FACTS controllers' family, Static Synchronous Compensator (STATCOM) has been at the centre of attention. STATCOM is a shunt-connected device that is used to provide reactive power compensation to a transmission line. Through regulation of the line voltage at the point of connection, STATCOM can enhance the power transmission capability and thus extend the steady-state stability limit. In 1991, the first STATCOM scaled model (80 MVAR) was designed and built at the Westinghouse Science and Technology Centre, which proved that STATCOM can increase system damping, power system stabilization, and power transmission limits. In 1995 the first high power STATCOM in the United States (100 MVAR) was commissioned at the Sullivan substation of the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) for transmission line compensation. The project was jointly sponsored by the Electric Research Institute and TVA, and designed and manufactured by the Westinghouse Electric Corporation. This project showed that the STATCOM is a versatile piece of equipment, with outstanding dynamic capability, that will find increased application in power systems. In 1996, the National Grid Company of England and Wales decided to design dynamic reactive compensation equipment with inclusion of a STATCOM of 150 MVR range. Moreover, much research confirms several advantages of STATCOM.

These advantages include:

- ❖ Size, weight, and cost reduction
- ❖ Equality of lagging and leading output
- ❖ Precise and continuous reactive power control with fast response Possible active harmonic filter capability

STATCOM can also be used to introduce damping during power system transients and thus extend the transient stability margin. Theoretically, FACTS controllers can be realized by either a voltage-source converter (VSC) or a current-source converter (CSC). In this paper controller designing uses pole placement method, with assistance of genetic algorithm. The new method is tested in Matlab, and their results are obtained.

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In this paper genetic algorithm based pole placement method can be used for the control of csc based STATCOM. Basic principle & CSC based STATCOM circuit modelling is presented in section II. Pole placement controller design with simulation results in detailed in section III Simulation results with assistance of genetic algorithm are shown in Section IV. Finally, conclusion is section V this paper.

II. CSC BASED STATCOM MODELING

The CSC based STATCOM design controllers; the state space equations from the CSC-STATCOM circuit must be introduced.

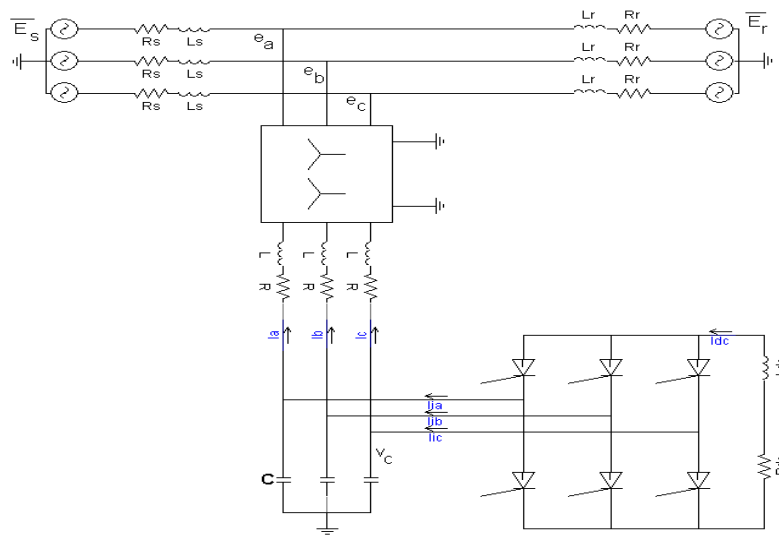


Fig.1.Equivalent circuit of CSC-STATCOM

In fig .1 the i_a, i_b, i_c are line current, the v_a, v_b, v_c are voltages across the filter capacitors. The e_a, e_b, e_c are line voltages. I_{dc} is dc-side current. R_{dc} is converter switching and conduction losses. L_{dc} smoothing inductor and L is the inductance of the line reactor. R is the resistance of the line reactor.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{di_d}{dt} &= \frac{-R}{L} i_d + i_q \omega - \frac{v_{dc}}{3L} D_d + \frac{1}{3L} V_m \\ \frac{di_q}{dt} &= -i_d \omega - \frac{R}{L} i_q - \frac{v_{dc}}{3L} D_q \\ \frac{dv_{dc}}{dt} &= \frac{3}{2C} i_d D_d + \frac{3}{2C} i_q D_q \\ \frac{dv_{dc}}{dt} &= \frac{1}{C} i_q - \omega V_d + \frac{1}{C} M_q I_{dc} \\ \frac{d}{dt} I_{dc} &= \frac{R_{dc}}{L_{dc}} i_{dc} - \frac{3}{2L_{dc}} M_d V_d - \frac{3}{2L_{dc}} M_q V_q \end{aligned}$$

In above differential equations M_d and M_q are the input variables. I_{dc} and I_q are output variables. ω is the rotation frequency of the frame and is equal to the nominal frequency of the system voltage.

$$\frac{d}{dt} I_{dc}^2 = \frac{2R_{dc}}{L_{dc}} i_{dc}^2 - \frac{3E_d}{L_{dc}n} I_d$$



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$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} i_{dc}^2 \\ i_d \\ i_q \\ v_{cd} \\ v_{cq} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{2R_{dc}}{L_{dc}} & \frac{3E_d}{L_{dc}n} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{R}{L} & W_0 & \frac{1}{L} & 0 \\ 0 & -W_0 & -\frac{R}{L} & 0 & \frac{1}{L} \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{C} & 0 & 0 & W_0 \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{C} & -W_0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} i_{dc}^2 \\ i_d \\ i_q \\ v_{cd} \\ v_{cq} \end{bmatrix} +$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{C} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{C} \end{bmatrix} * \begin{bmatrix} I_{id} \\ I_{iq} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -\frac{1}{L} \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} * E_d$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{2R_{dc}}{L_{dc}} & \frac{3E_d}{L_{dc}n} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{R}{L} & W_0 & \frac{1}{L} & 0 \\ 0 & -W_0 & -\frac{R}{L} & 0 & \frac{1}{L} \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{C} & 0 & 0 & W_0 \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{C} & -W_0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{C} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{C} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$F = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -\frac{1}{L} \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$X = [I_{dc}^2 \quad I_d \quad I_q \quad V_d \quad V_q]^T$$

$$U = [I_{id} \quad I_{iq}]^T$$

$$E = E_d$$

$$Y = [I_{dc}^2 \quad I_q]^T$$

$$eig(A) = \begin{bmatrix} -0.0040 \\ -0.0024 + 1.6040i \\ -0.0024 + 1.6040i \\ -0.0024 + 0.9660i \\ -0.0024 - 0.9660i \end{bmatrix} * 1.0e + 002$$



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Since all the Eigen values of the system are on the left hand of the plane, the system is stable. In the open loop system response shown in Fig. 2, 3, 4, there are large oscillations in i_d and i_q during 0.0-1.5 sec and I_{dc} is not constant.

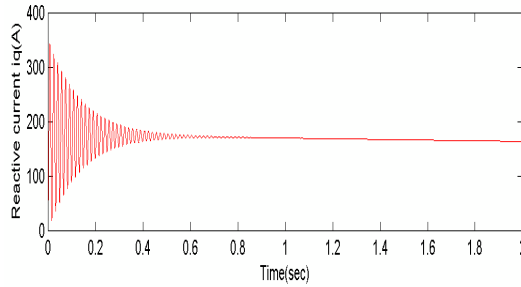


Fig.2. Open loop i_q response

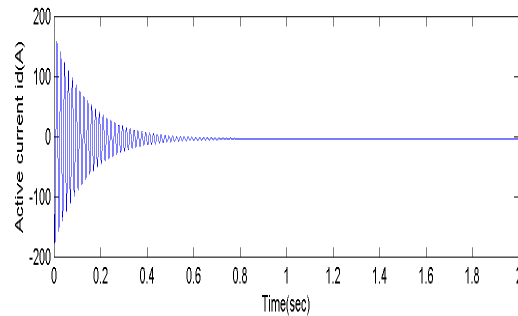


Fig.3. Open loop i_d response

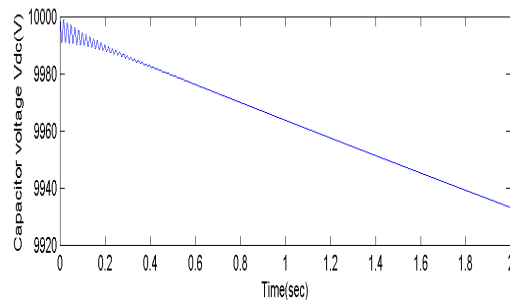


Fig.4. Open loop V_{dc} response

III. DESIGN OF POLE PLACEMENT CONTROLLER

A full state feedback controller based on the pole assignment method can improve the system characteristics such that the closed loop system performance will satisfy the requirement criteria.

For a given system:

$$\dot{X} = Ax + Bu + F_e;$$

Where

$X \in \mathcal{R}^N$ is the state vector

$u \in \mathcal{R}^p$ is the input vector

$A \in \mathcal{R}^{N \times N}$ is the basis matrix

$B \in \mathcal{R}^{N \times p}$ is the input matrix

If we set controller as:

$$u(t) = -Kx(t).$$

Then the closed loop state equation can be obtained as

$$\dot{x}(t) = (A - BK) x(t)$$

This state equation describes the system formed by combining the plant and the controller. It is a homogeneous state equation, which has no input. The solution of this state is given by:

$$x(t) = e^{(A - BK)t} x(0)$$

The state feedback controller $u(t) = -Kx(t)$ drives the state to zero for arbitrary initial conditions, provided that the closed loop poles ---the eigen values of $(A - BK)$ ---all have negative real parts. By setting pole locations, we can make the closed loop system not only stable but also satisfy a given set of transient specifications.

A state feedback gain K that yields the closed loop poles $\{ p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n \}$ is obtained by solving the equation:

$$\det(sI - A + BK) = (s - p_1)(s - p_2) \dots (s - p_n)$$

The selection of eigen values for closed loop system wants an understanding of the system characteristics. Different pole locations determine different system performance. This is the important part of the controller design.

i. Simulation by using pole placement method:

In this study, the model of CSC based STATCOM and controllers are developed in MATLAB/Simulink environment. We selected the circuit parameters for the circuit shown in fig.1, and circuit parameters are selected as below:

$$R=0.01\Omega; L=2 \times 10^{-3} \text{ H}; w=314; R=0.1\Omega; L=40 \times 10^{-6} \text{ H}; C=300 \times 10^{-6} \text{ F};$$

Considerable open loop response, we need to reduce the settling time of all three states and steady state error of I_{dc} further such that the requirements are satisfied. By trial and error method we set the many different sets of poles in the system and to check the stability of system response. The system response at different sets of poles is shown in Fig.5, 6, 7. Sets of poles are given below:

$$\text{Pole placement 1(P1):} [-99 \ -499 \ -289 \ -389 \ -399]$$

$$\text{Pole placement 2(P2):} [-8999 \ -499 \ -2089 \ -3089 \ -3999]$$

$$\text{Pole placement 3(P3):} [-8999 \ -499 \ -289 \ -389 \ -399]$$

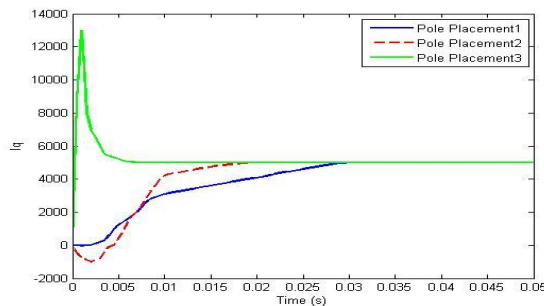


Fig.5. iq response with pole placement controllers (P1, P2, P3)

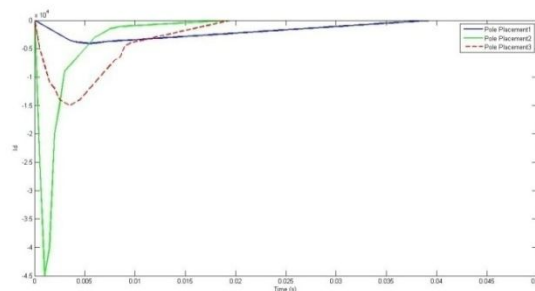


Fig.6. id response with pole placement controllers (P1, P2, P3)

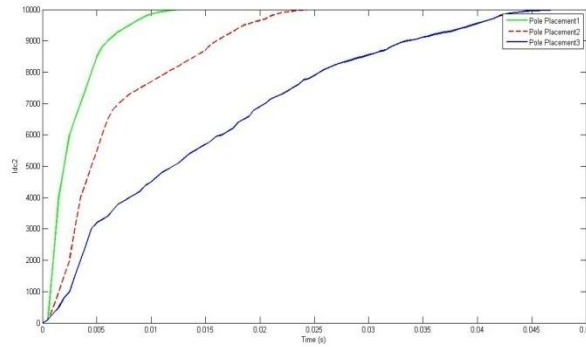


Fig.7. I_{dc}^2 response with pole placement controllers (P1, P2, P3).

IV. GENETIC ALGORITHM IN POLE PLACEMENT METHOD

The use of natural evolution method for the optimization of control system has been of interest for the researchers since along time. The control system parameters are considered as the genes of one chromosome and a random population is generated from some of this chromosomes. Then the object function of control system using each chromosome parents is calculated, and then based on population upgrading methods such as roulette wheel mechanism the best chromosome with optimum objective function is generated.

Trial and error method is time consuming. So using the genetic algorithm, the state feedback gain with the desired eigen structure in the pole placement method can be obtained. By the GA, the value of K is optimized. The control system objective function is as follows

$$F_{obj} = (1000 * E_{ss} + 10 * M_p + 10 * t_s + t_r)$$

Where t_r is rise time, t_s is settling time, M_p is overshoot and E_{ss} is steady state error. Through this method the time consuming stage of determining poles is fast system is optimized to reach the desired performances and finally the output response of system is optimized with less overshoot, less oscillation, low settling time, and little steady state error.

A. Simulation with pole placement method using GA:

We set the poles on $[-2999 -2999 -3999 -3999 -4219]$, which are obtained by the help of GA method. The system response is shown in Fig.8, 9, 10. With regard to the results presented in Fig. 8, 9, 10, it is observed that by applying genetic algorithm, pole placement based controller response will improve.

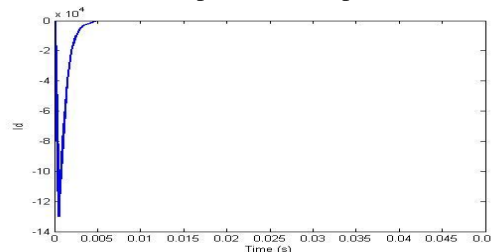


Fig. 8. i_q response with pole placement controller based on genetic algorithm

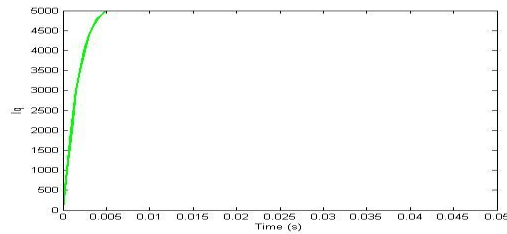


Fig.9. id response with pole placement controller based on genetic algorithm

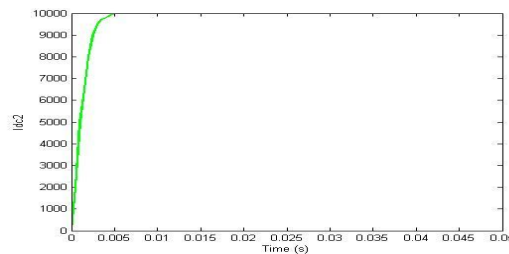


Fig.10. Idc2 response with pole placement controller based on genetic algorithm

V. CONCLUSIONS

In this paper, the CSC based STATCOM is controlled by the pole placement. But the best constant values for pole placement controller's parameters are laboriously obtained through trial and error, although time consuming. So the genetic algorithm (GA) is employed to find the best values for pole placement controller's parameters in a very short time. These methods are tested in MATLAB, and their results are obtained. Finally the pole placement controller with GA performs better in terms of t_r , t_s , M_p in comparison to pole placement without GA for the open-loop response of CSC based STATCOM and CSC based STATCOM can be regarded as an alternative FACTS device to that of VSC based STATCOM.

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