



Speed Control of Induction Motor using Fuzzy Logic Controller

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ABSTRACT: This paper presents some design approaches to hybrid control systems combining conventional control techniques with fuzzy logic. Such a mixed implementation leads to a more effective control design with enhanced system performance and robustness. While conventional control allows diverse design objectives such as steady state and transient characteristics of the closed loop system to be precise, fuzzy logic are to overcome the problems with uncertainties in the plant constraints and structure encountered in the classical model-based propose. Induction motors are characterised by multifarious, highly non-linear and time-varying dynamics and isolation of some states and outputs for measurements, and hence can be considered as a challenging engineering problem. The advent of vector control techniques has partially solved induction motor control problems; because they are sensitive to drive parameter variations and performance can deteriorate if conventional controllers are used. Fuzzy logic controllers are considered as potential applicant for such an application. Two control approaches are developed and compared to adjust the speed of the drive system. The first control design is only the vector control. And second one is a fuzzy state feedback controller is developed. A simulation study of these methods is presented and results are compared. The effectiveness of this controller is demonstrated for different operating conditions of the drive system.

KEYWORDS: fuzzy control, neural networks, vector control, induction motor

I.INTRODUCTION

AC motors, mainly the squirrel-cage induction motor (SCIM), benefit from several inherent advantages like simplicity, reliability, low cost and almost maintenance-free electrical drives. However, for high dynamic performance industrial applications, their controls hang about a challenging problem because they exhibit significant non-linearities and many of the parameters, mainly the rotor resistance, fluctuate with the operating conditions. Field orientation control (FOC) or vector control of an induction machine accomplished decoupled torque and flux dynamics leading to independent control of the torque and flux as for a separately excited DC motor. FOC methods are attractive but suffer from one major disadvantage: they are sensitive to motor parameter variations such as the rotor time constant and an incorrect flux measurement or assessment at low speeds (Trzynadlowski, 1994). Consequently, performance deteriorates and a conventional controller such as a PID is incapable to maintain satisfactory performance under these conditions. Recently, there has been observed an increasing concern in combining artificial intelligent control tools with classical control techniques. The principal motivations for such a hybrid implementation is that with fuzzy logic issues such as uncertainty or unknown variations in plant parameters and structure can be dealt with more effectively, hence improving the robustness of the control system. Conventional controls have on their side well-established theoretical environments on stability and allow different design objectives such as steady state and transient characteristics of the closed loop system to be specified. Several works contributed to the design of such hybrid control schemes (Cao et al., 1996; Chen and Chang, 1998; Shaw and Doyle, 1997). In this paper a comparison between vector control and combination of vector control and fuzzy is made and analysed by using MATLAB/SIMULINK.

II.VECTOR CONTROL

Vector control, known as field-oriented control (FOC), is a variable-frequency drive (VFD) control scheme where the stator currents of a three-phase AC electric motor are acknowledged as two orthogonal components that can be visualized with a vector. One component defines the magnetic flux of the motor, the supplementary is the torque. The control system of the drive calculates from the flux and torque references specified by the drive's speed control the corresponding current component references. Typically proportional-integral (PI) controllers are employed to keep the

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measured current components at their reference values. The pulse-width modulation of the variable-frequency drive describes the transistor switching according to the stator voltage references that are the output of the PI current controllers. FOC is used to manage the AC synchronous and induction motors. It was originally developed for high-performance motor applications that are required to operate smoothly over the bursting speed range, generate full torque at zero speed, and have high dynamic performance including fast acceleration and deceleration. However, it is becoming increasingly attractive for lower performance applications also due to FOC's motor size, cost and power consumption reduction dominance. It is expected that with increasing computational power of the microprocessors it will ultimately nearly universally relocate single-variable scalar volts-per-Hertz (V/f) control.

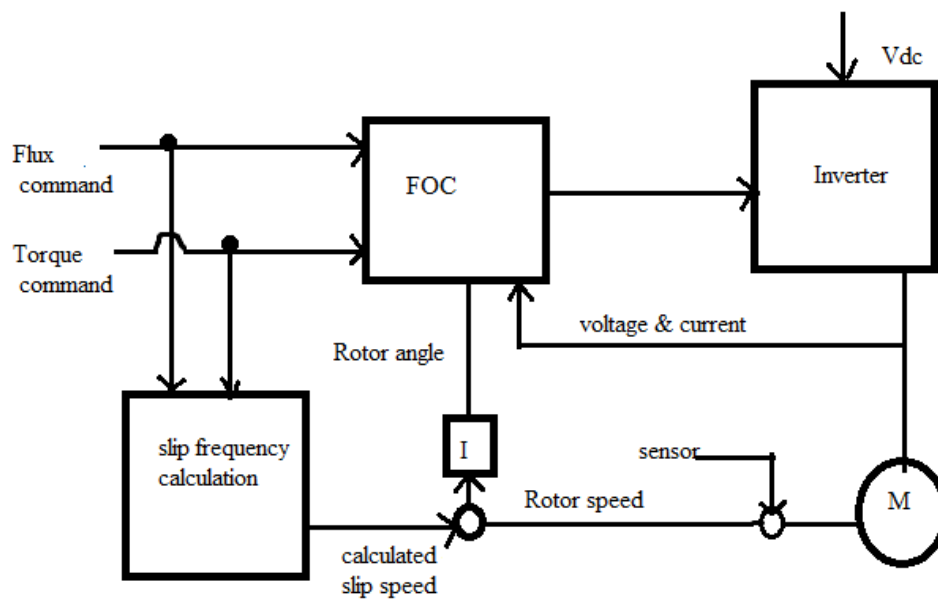


Fig 1. Field oriented control

III. FUZZY LOGIC CONTROLLER

Fuzzy logic provides a sturdy framework for achieving robust and simple solutions amid different approaches of Intelligent computation. Fuzzy model is a collection of IF - THEN rules with indistinguishable predicates that use a fuzzy reasoning such as Sugeno and Mamdani models. Sugeno type systems can be used to model any inference system in which the output membership functions are either linear or constant whereas Mamdani type produces either linear or nonlinear output. The fuzzy logic controller consists of four stages, fuzzification of inputs, derivation of rules, inference mechanism and de-fuzzification. Fuzzy logic systems are collective function approximations. In general, the goal of fuzzy logic system is to yield a set of outputs for given inputs in a non-linear system, lacking using any mathematical model but by using linguistic rules. A general block diagram of Fuzzy logic is shown Fig 1.

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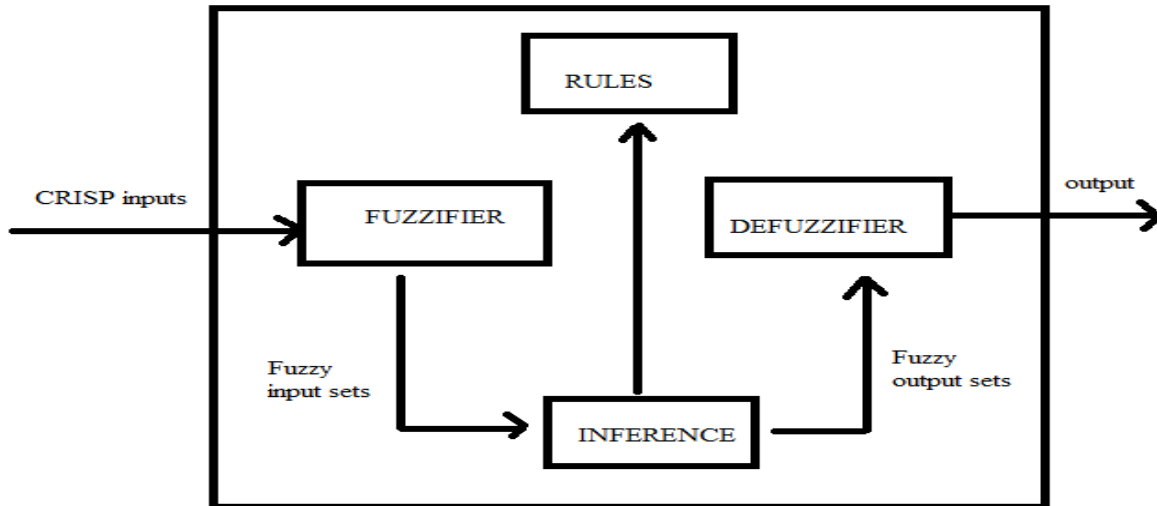


Fig 2 General block diagram of fuzzy logic controller

Table shows the rule base for controlling the speed

Δe	e	NM	NS	ZE	PS	PM	PL
NL	NL	NL	NLM	NM	NMS	NS	ZE
NM	NL	NLM	NM	NMS	NS	ZE	PS
NS	NLM	NM	NMS	NS	ZE	PS	PMS
ZE	NM	NMS	NS	ZE	PS	PMS	PM
PS	NMS	NS	ZE	PS	PMS	PM	PLM
PM	NS	ZE	PS	PMS	PM	PLM	PL
PL	ZE	PS	PMS	PM	PLM	PL	PL

IV.SYSTEM MODEL

The block model of the induction motor system with the controller be developed using the power system, power electronics, control system, signal processing toolboxes & from the fundamental functions available in the Simulink library in Matlab / Simulink. In this paper, plots of voltage, torque, speed, load & flux, etc are plotted as functions of time with the controller and the waveforms are observed on the equivalent scopes after running the simulations. The entire system modelled in Simulink is a closed loop feedback control system consisting of the plants, controllers, samplers, comparators, feedback systems, the mux, de-mux, summers, adders, gain blocks, multipliers, clocks, sub-systems, integrators, state-space models, subsystems, the output sinks (scopes), the input sources, etc. The developed simulink model for the control of various parameters of the SCIM is shown in the Fig 2.

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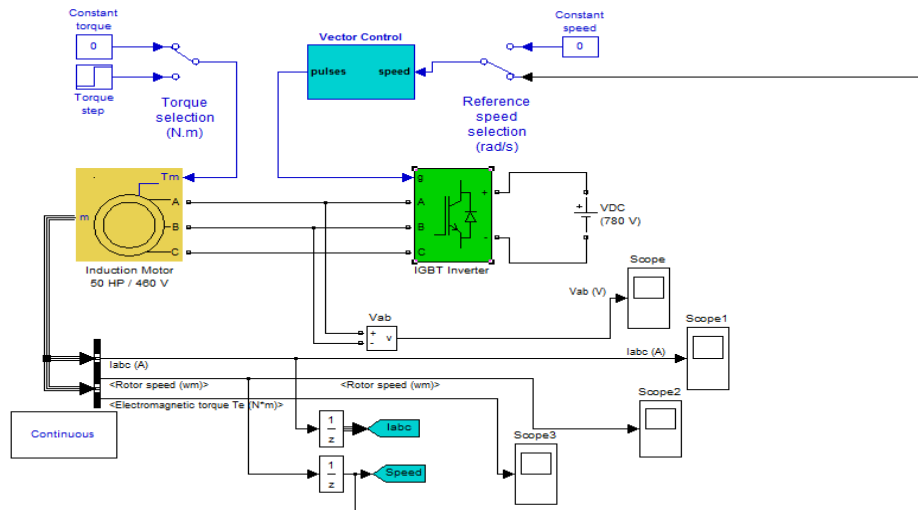


Fig 3 Vector control of induction motor

The inputs of a squirrel cage induction machine are the three-phase voltages, their fundamental frequency, and the load torque. The outputs, on the other hand, are the three phase currents, the electrical torque, and the rotor speed. The d-q model requires that all the three-phase variables be transformed to the two-phase synchronously rotating frame. Consequently, the induction machine model will have blocks transforming the three-phase voltages to the d-q frame and the d-q currents back to three-phase. Then the input is given to the IGBT. The insulated-gate bipolar transistor (IGBT) is a three-terminal power semiconductor device principally used as an electronic switch which, as it was developed, came to coalesce high efficiency and fast switching. It switches electric power in many up to date appliances: variable-frequency drives (VFDs), electric cars, trains, variable speed refrigerators, lamp weights, air-conditioners and even stereo systems with switching amplifiers. Since it is designed to turn on and off rapidly, amplifiers that use it frequently synthesize complex waveforms with pulse width modulation and low-pass filters. In switching applications modern devices feature pulse repetition rates well into the ultrasonic range—frequencies which are at least ten times the highest audio frequency knobbed by the device when used as an analog audio amplifier. The IGBT combines the simple gate-drive characteristics of MOSFETs with the high-current and low-dispersion-voltage capability of bipolar transistors. The IGBT combines an isolated gate FET for the control input, and a bipolar power transistor as a switch, in a particular device. The IGBT is used in medium- to high-power applications in the vein of switched-mode power supplies, traction motor control and induction heating. Large IGBT modules typically consist of many devices in parallel and can have very high current conduct capabilities in the order of hundreds of amperes with blocking voltages of 6000 V, associate to hundreds of kilowatts.

Ratings of induction motor used in the model:

frequency	50Hz
voltage (L-L)	460 v
Rotor resistance	0.87 pu
Stator resistance	0.228 pu
Rotor inductance	0.8e-3 pu
Stator inductance	0.8e-3 pu
inertia	1.662
No. of pole pairs	2

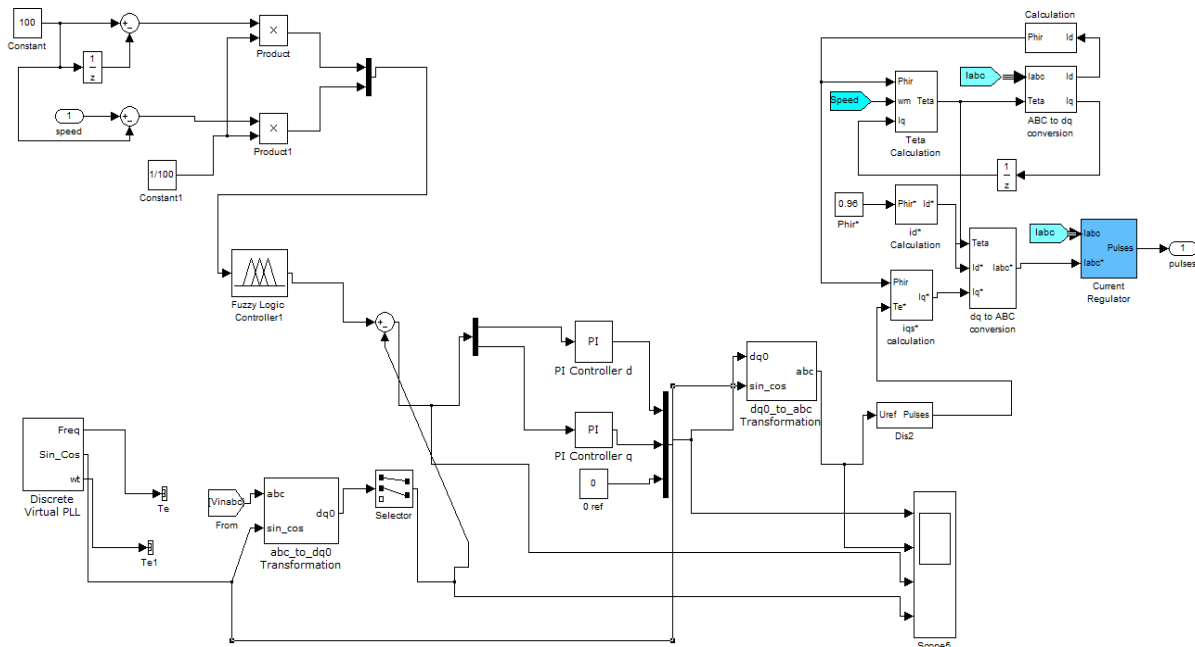


Fig 4 fuzzy logic based vector control

Any induction motor can be used to show the performance of the proposed speed controller. Fig. 4 shows the simulation model of the vector control using fuzzy logic controller for an induction machine obtained using MATLAB optimization toolbox. The inputs of a squirrel cage induction machine are the three-phase voltages, their fundamental frequency, and the load torque. The outputs, on the other hand, are the three phase currents, the electrical torque, and the rotor speed. The d-q model requires that all the three-phase variables be transformed to the two-phase synchronously rotating frame. Consequently, the induction machine model will have blocks transforming the three-phase voltages to the d-q frame and the d-q currents back to three-phase.

V. RESULT AND DISCUSSION

A set of 49 fuzzy rules are written and called in the form of a file in the developed Simulink model with the controller. While the simulation is run, the 2 fuzzy inputs are then given to the controller (Takagi-Sugeno-fuzzy), where the output is obtained afterward. The response curves of flux, load, torque, terminal voltage, and speed & torques v/s time are observed on the respective scopes & are shown in the Figs. 3-4 respectively behind importing the scope data into the workspace and plotting them. From the simulation results shown in the Figs. 6-7, it is observed that the stator current does not exhibit any overshoots, undershoots, the response of the flux, torque, terminal voltage, speed & stator currents, etc. takes lesser time to settle & reach the desired value compared to the results using vector control. This shows the effectiveness of the developed controller. It is also observed that with the controller, the response characteristics curves take less time to settle & reach the final steady state value compared to that in. In the fig 3, it shows the graph of speed Vs time for vector control and fuzzy logic controller

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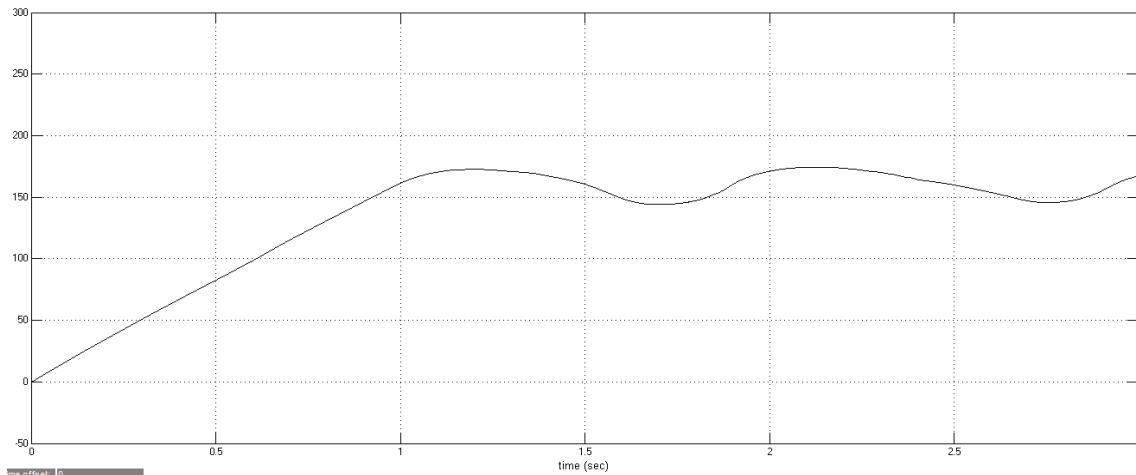


Fig.5 Speed Vs time graph for vector control

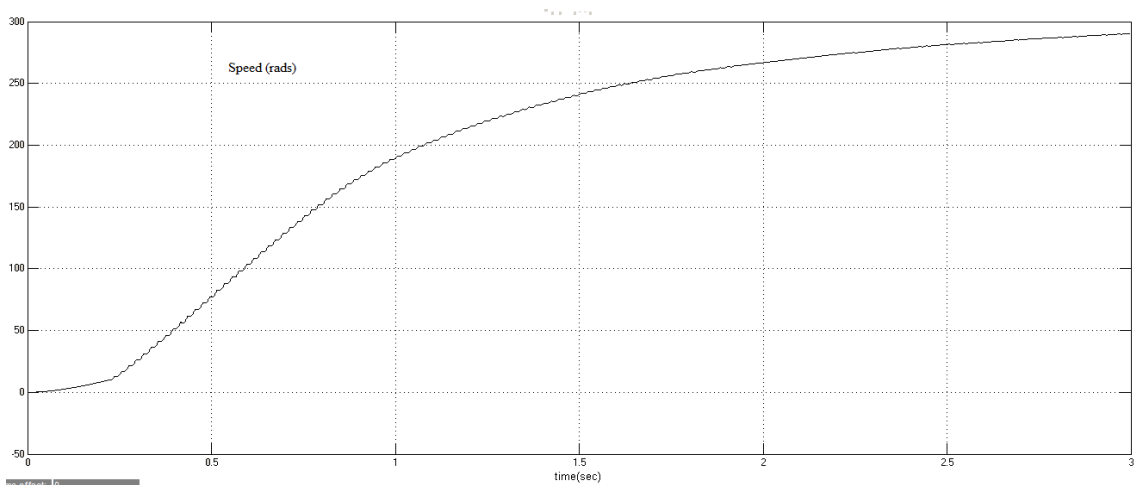


Fig 6. Graph of speed Vs time for vector control using FLC

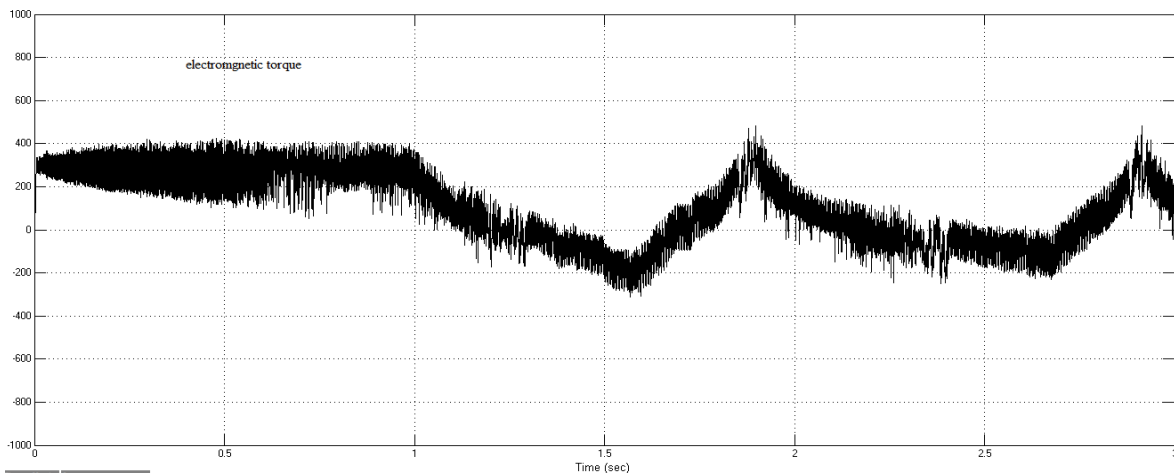


Fig7. Torque Vs time using vector control

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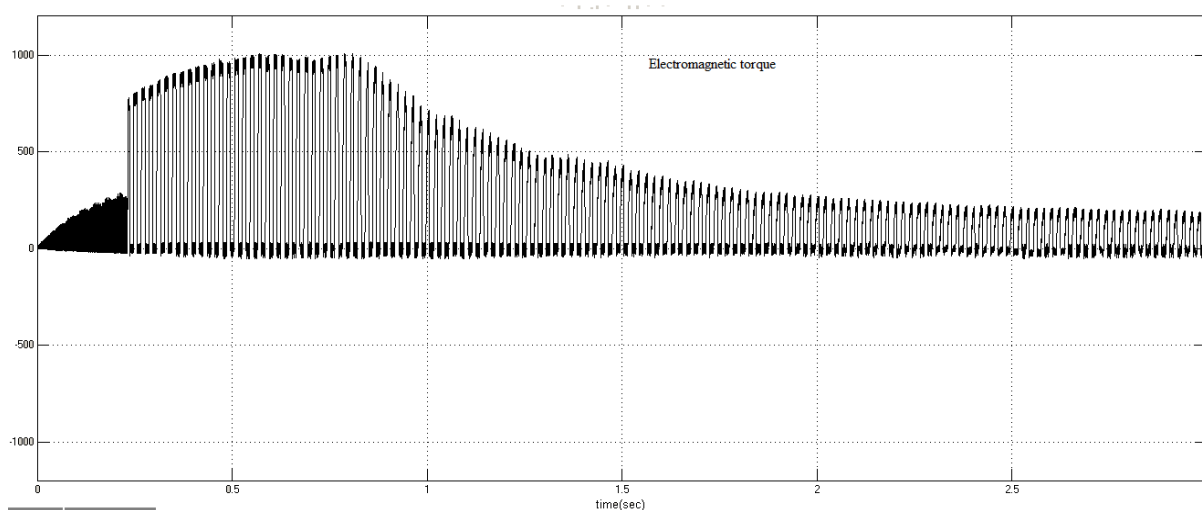


Fig 8 Torque Vs Time graph for vector control using fuzzy logic controller

Speed curve between set speed and time and torque of the induction motor has been shown. The curve compares the vector control and fuzzy based vector control of the induction motor. It can be observed that the settling time of the fuzzy based control less than that of the vector control. And torque is also less fluctuating in case of fuzzy based vector control.

VI.CONCLUSION

This paper presents some design approaches to hybrid control architectures combining conventional control techniques with fuzzy logic and neural networks. Such hybrid structures lead to vigorous and easily tuned controllers, and are very well suited for systems with uncertain variations in plant parameters and structure. The induction motor is one of such intricate systems and hence it can be considered as a challenging engineering problem for evaluating the performances of the designed controllers. The performance and robustness of the proposed controller have been evaluated under a variety of operating conditions of the drive system, and the results demonstrate the effectiveness of these control structures. A comparative study of the control strategies in terms of performance and robustness has been conducted. The performance is maintained under rotor resistance variations, which is known to cause performance deterioration in vector-controlled induction motors. By using fuzzy logic controller with vector control considerably improved results compared with only conventional control are achieved. The control technique studied is very suitable for real time implementation due to their simplicity, robustness and ease of regulation.

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