Dynamic modeling of permanent magnet synchronous motor using MATLAB - simulink

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Abstract:

Permanent Magnet Synchronous Motors (PMSM) are widely applied in industrial and robotic applications due to their high efficiency, low inertia and high torque – to - volume ratio. So, this paper proposes two simulation dynamic models for ac Interior Permanent Magnet Synchronous Motor (IPMSM), and ac Surface Permanent Magnet Synchronous Motor (SPMSM) with the aid of MATLAB – Simulink. The modeling procedures are described and simulation results are presented. These dynamic models capable of predicting the machine’s behaviour for this machine type. The model takes the core loss in its consideration, to show its effect on torque ripple. These non – linear models of the PMSM in d-q reference frame are defined. The dynamic models are developed by coupling electrical equations and mechanical equations of the PMSM. All simulation results are presented for all machine’s variable characteristics. The validity of our model here is verified using V \ f control, at various frequencies values. These models will be used in future, in sensorless speed control.

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1. Introduction:

PM motor drives have been a topic of interest for the last twenty years. Different authors have carried out modeling and simulation of such drives. In 1986 Sebastian, T., Slemon, G. R. and Rahman, M. A. [1] reviewed permanent magnet synchronous motor advancements and presented equivalent electric circuit models for such motors and compared computed parameters with measured parameters. Experimental results on laboratory motors were also given. In 1986 Jahns, T.M., Kliman, G.B. and Neumann, T.W. [2] discussed that interior permanent magnet (IPM) synchronous motors possessed special features for adjustable speed operation which distinguished them from other classes of ac machines. They were robust high power density machines capable of operating at high motor and inverter efficiencies over wide speed ranges, including considerable range of constant power operation. In 1988 Pillay and Krishnan, R. [3], presented PM motor drives and classified them into two types such as permanent magnet synchronous motor drives (PMSM) and brushless dc motor (BDCM) drives. As an extension of his previous work, Pillay, P. and Krishnan, R. in 1989 [4] presented the permanent magnet synchronous motor (PMSM) which was one of several types of permanent magnet ac motor drives available in the drives industry. Particular attention was paid to the motor torque pulsations and speed response and experimental verification of the drive performance were given. Morimoto, S., Tong, Y., Takeda, Y. and Hirasa, T. in 1994 [5], in their paper aimed to improve efficiency in permanent magnet (PM) synchronous motor drives. The controllable electrical loss which consisted of the copper loss and the iron loss could be minimized by the optimal control of the armature current vector. The paper in 1997 by Wijenayake, A.H. and Schmidt, P.B. [6], described the development of a two-axis circuit model for permanent magnet synchronous motor (PMSM) by taking machine magnetic parameter variations and core loss into account. In 1997 Jang-Mok, K. and Seung-Ki, S. [7], proposed a novel flux-weakening scheme for an Interior Permanent Magnet Synchronous Motor (IPMSM). It was implemented based on the output of the synchronous PI current regulator reference voltage to PWM inverter. Bose, B. K., in 2001 [8], presented different types of synchronous motors and compared them to induction motors. The modeling of PM motor was derived form the model of salient pole synchronous motor. Bowen, C., Jihua, Z. and Zhang, R. in 2001 [9], addressed the modeling and simulation of permanent magnet synchronous motor supplied from a six step continuous inverter based on state space method. In 2002 Mademlis, C. and Margaris, N. [10], presented an efficiency optimization method for vector-controlled interior permanent-magnet synchronous motor drive. In 2004, Jian-Xin, X., Panda, S. K., Ya-Jun, P., Tong Heng, L. and Lam, B. H. [11] applied a modular control approach to a permanent-magnet synchronous motor (PMSM) speed control. Based on the functioning of the individual module, the modular approach enabled the powerfully intelligent and robust control modules to easily replace
any existing module which did not perform well, meanwhile retaining other existing modules which were still effective. Araujo, R.E., Leite, A.V. and Freitas, D.S. in 1997 [12], mentioned the different simulation tools available and the benefits that were obtained by accelerating the process for the development of visual design concepts. Ong, C in 1998 [13], explained the need for powerful computation tools to solve complex models of motor drives. Macbahi, H. Ba-razzouk, A. Xu, J. Cheriti, A. and Rajagopalan, V. in 2000 [14], mentioned that a great number of universities and researchers used the MATLAB/SIMULINK software in the field of electrical machines because of its advantages such as user friendly environment, visual oriented programming concept, non-linear standard blocks and a large number of toolboxes for special applications. In 1997 Reece, J.H., Bray, C.W., Van Tol, J.J. and Lim, P.K. [15], discussed three possible computer simulation tools such as PSpice, HARMFLO and the Electromagnetic. Onoda, S. and Emadi, A. in 2004 [16], had developed a modeling tool to study automotive systems using the power electronics simulator (PSIM) software. PSIM was originally made for simulating power electronic converters and motor drives. This userfriendly simulation package was able to simulate electric/electronic circuits.

2. Mathematical Modeling:

2.1 Equivalent Circuit (Without Core Loss)

The presented equivalent circuit of fig.1, express about the dynamic equations of PMSM, but without taking the core loss into consideration.

![Equivalent Circuit without core loss](image)

*Figure (1) Equivalent Circuit without core loss*

It should be notified that, all lower case symbols in introduce instantaneous values, not upper case as for steady state.
2.2 Dynamic equations of PMSM

\begin{align*}
\nu_q &= r_s i_q + \rho (\lambda_q) + \omega_r \lambda_d \\ \nu_d &= r_s i_d + \rho (\lambda_d) - \omega_r \lambda_q
\end{align*}

Where:

\begin{align*}
\lambda_q &= L_q i_q \\ \lambda_d &= L_d i_d + \lambda_m \\
\omega_r &\text{: Electrical velocity of the rotor.} \\
\lambda_m &\text{: The flux linkage due to the rotor magnets linking the stator.} \\
\rho (\lambda_m) &= 0, \lambda_m = L_m i_{fr} \\
\rho &\text{: Operator } \frac{d}{dt}
\end{align*}

2.3 Torque Equation:

The electromagnetic torque is given by:

\[ T_e = \frac{3}{2} \frac{P}{2} (\lambda_d i_q - \lambda_q i_d) = \frac{3}{2} \frac{P}{2} (\lambda_m i_q + (L_d - L_q) i_d) \]

The electromechanical power \( P_{em} = \omega_r T_e = \frac{3}{2} \omega_r (\lambda_d i_q - \lambda_q i_d) \)

\[ \omega_r = \frac{P}{2} \omega_{rm} \]

Where:

\begin{align*}
P &\text{: No of poles} \\
\omega_{rm} &\text{: Mechanical velocity of the rotor.}
\end{align*}

The general mechanical equation for the motor is:

\[ T_e = T_1 + T_d + B \omega_{rm} + J \rho \omega_{rm} \]

\begin{align*}
B &\text{: Viscous frictions coefficient} \\
J &\text{: Inertia of the shaft and the load system} \\
T_d &\text{: Dry friction} \\
T_1 &\text{: Load torque}
\end{align*}

2.4 Equivalent Circuit (With Core Loss)

This section considers the effect of core loss on the various performance characteristics
equations.

\( i_{ds}, i_{qs} \): d, q axes stator currents.
\( i_d, i_q \): d, q axes stator currents.
\( i_{dc}, i_{qe} \): d, q axes core loss currents components.

\[ v_q = r_s i_q + \frac{(r_s + r_c)}{r_c} \rho (\lambda_q) + \frac{(r_s + r_c)}{r_c} \omega_r \lambda_d \]  \hspace{1cm} (9)

\[ v_d = r_s i_d + \frac{(r_s + r_c)}{r_c} \rho (\lambda_d) - \frac{(r_s + r_c)}{r_c} \omega_r \lambda_q \]  \hspace{1cm} (10)

The expression of \( T_e \) is the same as without core resistance, this implies that the effect of this resistance does not appear directly in this expression but as its effect in \( \lambda_d \) also \( \lambda_q \) and consequently on \( T_e \).

2.5 Dynamic Simulation

This dynamic simulation of PMSM is done with the aid of SIMULINK in MATLAB package.

\[ \text{Voltage} \quad \text{PMSM Dynamic Model} \quad \text{Speed} \]
\[ \text{Load Torque} \quad \text{Current} \]
Fig. 3, presents a block for the PMSM in which, the voltage and load torque are considered as inputs, with the speed and current as outputs.

![Diagram of PMSM block]

**Figure (4) Permanent Magnet Synchronous Motor Model**

Fig. 4, introduces the PMSM more detailed model with the aid of simulink, its details are described below.

### 2.5.1 From 3 – phase to d – q. Voltages

The 1st main part, which shown in fig.5, concerns with the Park’s transformation (written below) from 3 – phase voltages (abc) into d – q voltages components.

![Diagram of abc to dq voltages transformation]

**Figure (5) abc to dq voltages transformation**
Park’s Transformation:

\[
\begin{bmatrix}
  v_q \\
  v_d \\
  v_0
\end{bmatrix} = \frac{2}{3}
\begin{bmatrix}
  \cos(\theta) & \cos(\theta - \frac{2\pi}{3}) & \cos(\theta + \frac{2\pi}{3}) \\
  \sin(\theta) & \sin(\theta - \frac{2\pi}{3}) & \sin(\theta + \frac{2\pi}{3}) \\
  \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2}
\end{bmatrix}
\begin{bmatrix}
  v_a \\
  v_b \\
  v_c
\end{bmatrix}
\]

(11)

2.5.2 d – q. Flux

In fig. 6 the flux in d – axis and the flux in q – axis are presented with the blocks inputs and outputs. They come from the relations mentioned in the beginning of this chapter. The detailed block for d – axis flux is introduced in fig. 7, and q – axis flux block is presented in fig. 8.
2.5.3 d – q. Currents

Fig. 9, and fig. 10 introduce the relations for d – axis and q – axis currents obeying the relations introduced before.

2.5.4 The mechanical equation for the motor

This equation is represented in simulink as illustrated in fig. 11.
3. Model Simulation Results:

This section introduces some simulation performance of this model by using the scope to see the various characteristics with the time. Also, in this section comparisons between the scope readings with and without taking core loss into consideration in order to show the fidelity of taking it in this model.

**Figure (12)** Comparison between speed (r.p.m) scope readings with and without taking core loss into consideration (f=50 Hz)

**Figure (13)** Comparison between Torque (N/m) scope readings with and without taking core loss into consideration.
From these given scope readings (fig. 12, fig. 13), the difference is clear between this model which implemented without core resistance and the other one taking the core loss into consideration in the ripples of their dynamic characteristics (speed and torque).

These figures affirm on the consideration of torque non-linearity Caused by ignoring core losses, as a drawback of most existing control strategies is that they rely on an electrical model of the machine that does not account for core losses. As speed increases a larger percentage of the input current is utilized in the generation of core losses. Obviously, this fraction of the input current does not contribute to the generation of torque. Therefore, the assumption that the entire input current generates torque at all speeds results in torque non-linearity as speed approaches the rated speed and beyond.

The following assumptions are made in this model:
- All motor parameters are assumed to be constant.
- Leakage inductances are zero.
- Windage and friction are negligible.

These previous dynamic model characteristics are taken for \textbf{IPMSM} parameters given as: $L_{q} = 12.5 \, \text{mH}$, $L_{d} = 5.7 \, \text{mH}$, $\lambda_{af} = 123 \, \text{mWeber-turns}$, $P = 4$, $R_s = 1.2$, $R_c = 416 \, \text{Ohms}$.

\section*{4. Model Verification:}

The dynamic models implemented in this chapter could be verified by varying the frequency to check the synchronous speed.

\subsection*{4.1 V/f control (variable frequency Verification)}

The V/f control is used mostly for simple variable speed applications like fans and pumps. This type of control has low cost and simple design, and is advantageous in the middle to high-speed range. A block diagram of this type of control can be represented as in the Figure 14.

\begin{figure}[h]
\centering
\includegraphics[width=0.5\textwidth]{VfControlDiagram.png}
\caption{(14) Block diagram of the V/f control.}
\end{figure}
Driving a PMSM with V/f control is in fact an open loop control without position sensor (as V/f control in induction motor drive). This method keeps constant the ratio between the output frequency and the output voltage, in order to have a constant flux in the machine. Unlike the others types of control, V/f control method does not require high performance digital processing. The question here is how can this method of control apply on our model. It is more easier to construct a block for three phase power supply, instead of the another previously prepared by simulink which used before. This block comes to meet the requirements of such control method as shown in fig. 15.

![Three phase power supply](image1)

**Figure (15) Three phase power supply**

In this block, \( Fcn = u(1)\cdot\cos(u(2)) \), \( Fcn1 = u(1)\cdot\cos(u(2)-(2\pi/3)) \)
\( Fcn2 = u(1)\cdot\cos(u(2)-(4\pi/3)) \)

Also, \( Gain = 2\pi \)

To change the frequency with the corresponding required voltage amplitude, another small block is attached as shown in fig. 16.

![Modified block for v/f control](image2)

**Figure (16) Modified block for v/f control.**
4.2 Simulation Results (v/f)

This section presents some simulation results for variable frequency under the pattern of v/f constant.

From fig. 17, it's clear that the steady state value of the speed = \( \pi \times 40 \) Hz rad / sec, i.e. the mechanical speed value at this frequency.

From fig. 18, it's clear that the steady state value of the torque = \( \pi \times 0 \) Nm, i.e. the mechanical torque value at this frequency.

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**Figure (17) Speed (rad/s) and Torque (Nm) scope readings at 40 Hz.**

**Figure (18) Speed and Torque scope readings at 30 Hz frequency.**
Figure (19) Speed and Torque scope readings at 20 Hz frequency.

Figure (20) Speed and Torque scope readings at 10 Hz frequency.
For all cases, it is notified that all the measured speed equal the desired mechanical ones under the variable corresponding frequencies.

5. Dynamic simulation for SPMSM:

This model depends on the following motor parameters.

\[ L_q = 0.0115 \, \text{H}, \quad L_d = 0.0115 \, \text{H}, \quad \lambda_{af} = 0.0283 \, \text{Weber-turns}, \quad P = 4, \quad R_s = 6.8 \, \text{ohm}, \quad V_s = 200 \, \text{V}, \quad f = 66.666 \, \text{Hz} \]

*Figure (21) Dynamic simulation for SPMSM*
The above diagram show two cases for SPMSM dynamic model at $f = 66.666$, 50 Hz, when varying the frequency with the manner of $V / f$ constant, it is clear that from the display of the speed that, this model gives the right values to synchronous speed.

![Speed vs time for 50 Hz, (PMSM Model)](image)

**Figure (22) Speed vs time for 50 Hz, (PMSM Model)**

### 6. Conclusions:

This paper affirms on the validity of simulink in matlab environment to be used for electrical machines dynamic modelling. This paper mainly proposes simulation dynamic model for ac Interior Permanent Magnet Synchronous Motor (IPMSM), with the aid of MATLAB – Simulink. The modeling procedures are described and simulation results are presented. It is notified that, the dynamic model capable of predicting the machine’s behaviour for this machine type. The effect of taking core loss in consideration in modelling is clear by showing how torque ripple will be more less than without taking it. The dynamic models are developed by coupling electrical equations and mechanical equations of the PMSM. All simulation results are presented for all machine’s variable characteristics. The validity of our model here is verified using $V \backslash f$ control, at various frequencies values.

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