Induction Motor Equivalent Circuit for Dynamic Simulation

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Abstract— until now the use of equivalent circuit for induction motor has been limited for steady state analysis. The equivalent circuits for dynamic simulation proposed until now, are not able to obtain the transient response of the induction motor, because they lack of mechanical component representations. Complex non-linear matrices are used instead. Here electrical analogy of mechanical system is integrated with d-q equivalent circuit derivates from the stator frame of reference to create a complete equivalent circuit for three-phase induction motor which is suitable for dynamic simulation. Finally this paper presents results that validate the proposed circuit by comparing it with that obtained with mathematical models.

Index Terms—Induction Motor modeling, Dynamic model, Induction Motor simulation.

I. INTRODUCTION

Induction motors are the preferred electric motor in industrial applications. It is rugged, easy to maintain, low cost and easy starting which made it be better option than synchronous and brushless DC motors in many applications. Usually, equivalent circuits are valuable tools that help to understand and analyze electric machines and have been used for a long time. For example figure 1 shows an equivalent circuit for steady state analysis of induction motors. This model is useful in predicting current, power and torque of the motor.



Fig. 1. Steady state equivalent model.

However this equivalent circuit cannot be plugged with three phase AC source and obtain the dynamic behavior. As an example, the ripple starting torque and ripple starting speed which play an important role in new control methods (e.g. vector control) where precision speed is required.

Figure 2 shows d-q equivalent circuits for the arbitrary frame of reference. These circuits help to understand how the current

and voltage of the stator and rotor are related. In order to obtain the dynamic behavior of three-phase induction motor, equations that related the six voltages (stator and rotor) with six current has been developed. Those equations can be written in a six by six matrix and has been analysis in the literature extensively [1]. Using d-q transformation this matrix is reduced to a four by four matrix (for balance systems) with considerable reduction in computation. The *d-q* new frame of references can be fixed or rotating with respect to the fixed stator winding, (i.e. stator rotor and synchronous flux of this *d-q* transformation) [2]. This *d-q* transformation will provide a better understanding of the expected torque. The literature offers the equations and equivalent circuits for any arbitrary frame of reference for the versions previously mentioned [3-5].



Fig. 2. Dynamic or d-q equivalent circuits of an induction machine.

Since these equivalent circuits do not include mechanical system in which speed as function of torque can be determined, it cannot be used directly for dynamic simulation. To obtain this dynamic behavior it is necessary to go back to the matrix equations expressed in terms of state equations and solve it in conjunction with mechanical system. This state equations matrix are not linear and time invariant since its terms are function of the angular speed [6]. This drawback and the need to compute the mechanical system made this procedure hard and time consuming.

It is the objective of this work is to create an equivalent circuit suitable for dynamic simulation. This equivalent circuit should have only electrical components to emulate the electrical and mechanical behavior of an induction motor, and be able to work in any electric simulation application.

II. NOMENCLATURE

Different variables for motor parameters are defined here:

- V_{qs} equivalent stator quadrature voltage
- V_{ds} equivalent stator direct voltage
- R_s stator resistance
- L_s stator leakage inductance
- $L_m \ \ \text{magnetizing inductance}$
- L_r rotor leakage inductance
- R_r rotor resistance
- p derivative operation
- P poles
- ω_r rotor angular speed in electrical degrees
- ω_c reference frame angular velocity in electrical degrees
- I_{qs} stator equivalent quadrature current
- Ids stator equivalent direct current
- I_{qr} rotor equivalent quadrature current
- I_{dr} rotor equivalent direct current
- V_a phase a to neutral voltage
- V_b phase b to neutral voltage
- V_c phase c to neutral voltage
- I_a phase a line current
- I_b phase b line current
- I_c phase c line current

III. MODEL DEVELOPMENT

The equivalent circuit for d-q axis is derivate from the voltage and current matrix for the stator frame of reference as shown in (1):

$$\begin{bmatrix} V_{qs} \\ V_{ds} \\ V_{qr} \\ V_{dr} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} R_{s} + L_{s}p & 0 & L_{m}p & 0 \\ 0 & R_{s} + L_{s}p & 0 & L_{m}p \\ L_{m}p & -w_{r}L_{m} & R_{r} + L_{r}p & -w_{r}L_{r} \\ w_{r}L_{m} & L_{m}p & \omega_{r}L_{r} & R_{r} + L_{r}p \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} i_{qs} \\ i_{ds} \\ i_{qr} \\ i_{dr} \end{bmatrix} (1)$$

The equation for V_{qs} and V_{qr} can be represented for a circuit equivalent of a transformed where and induced voltage in the secondary is function of the rotor flux and the rotor speed.

$$V_{qs} = r_s i_{qs} + l_s p i_{qs} + L_m p i_{qr}$$
⁽²⁾

$$V_{qr} = L_m p i_{qs} - \sigma_r (L_m i_{ds} + L_r i_{dr}) + R_r i_{dr} + L_r p i_{dr}$$
(3)

$$0 = L_m p i_{qs} + R_r i_{dr} + L_r p i_{dr} - \varpi_r \psi_{rd}$$
⁽⁴⁾

Figures 3-a and 3-b show the equivalent circuits for the d axis and q axis





Fig. 3-b. Q-axis of the equivalent circuit.

Both circuits are coupled by the speed and the voltage induced in the rotor which depend on the opposite axis flux. The flux can be solved using the d-q currents. However speed depends of torque and mechanical parameters. The torque is a function of the product of current and flux of both d-q axes circuits, (5):

$$Torque = \frac{3}{2} \cdot \left(L_{rq} \cdot \psi_{ds} - L_{rd} \cdot \psi_{qs} \right)$$
(5)

$$\psi_{ds} = L_s \cdot i_{ds} + L_m \cdot i_{dr} \tag{6}$$

$$\psi_{qs} = L_s \cdot i_{qs} + L_m \cdot i_{qr} \tag{7}$$

Finally, speed is a function of torque and mechanical load which is not represented in those circuits. Another circuit is necessary to represent the mechanical part.

IV. MECHANICAL EQUIVALENT CIRCUIT

The electric torque is divided by the inertia J of the motor in order to obtain the angular acceleration. Then it has to be integrated to obtain the angular velocity. The best circuit to represent this integration is a current source feeding a capacitor. While equivalent circuits for q and d axis are AC, this circuit for mechanic system is DC. If the current source value is proportional to the electric torque and the capacitance value is proportional to the motor inertia then the voltage across the capacitor is proportional to the speed. A similar approach have been presented in the past by [7] using electrical analogies to model mechanical components. Figure 3 shows the circuit with the current sources and other elements representing the mechanical system.



Fig. 4. Mechanical system equivalent circuit

A constant load I_TL is represented as a current source, which produces a current (load torque) opposed to the electric torque. A frictional load R_Bm which torque is proportional to

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Fig. 3-a. Q-axis of the equivalent circuit.

the speed is represented as a resistor. Table 1 shows the equivalence between electrical a mechanical unity that is use to make the conversion between both systems.

Unit Conversion Table							
Mechanical Parameters	Electrical Equivalence						
$1 N \cdot m$	1 A						
$1 Kg \cdot m^2$	1 F						
1 rad/sec	1 V						

Table 1. Equivalence between mechanical and electrical units.

The equivalence between capacitor voltage and rotor angular speed is corroborated using the following integration:

$$\varpi_r = \int \frac{T}{J} dt = \int \frac{I}{C} dt = V_c \tag{8}$$

The angular speed of the rotor is in *rad/sec* while the capacitor voltage is in *volts*. This signal is feedback to the equivalence circuit of the d and q axis to create the voltage generated in the rotor by its own movement. If the motor has more than two poles then the equation of torque and generated voltages has to be multiply by P/2. That remains the other mechanical components as friction load and constant load without change. The resistor and current values of load analogies are selected using (9) and (10):

$$I_L(A) = T_L(N \cdot m) \tag{9}$$

$$R_B(\Omega) = \frac{1}{B} \left(\frac{\operatorname{rad} \cdot N \cdot m_{\text{sec}}}{\operatorname{sec}} \right)$$
(10)

V. TWO PHASE MODEL

The equivalent circuits for d- q axis and mechanical system where build using Simplorer simulator. Figure 5 shows complete d-q equivalent circuit with mechanical components integrated. The Erq and Erd are controlled voltage sources with value depend of the speed (capacitor voltage) and the rotor flux of the opposite axis.



Fig 5.Two phase equivalent circuit using simplorer

The voltages generated by these sources are AC since fluxes are AC values. Stator voltage Etd and Etq are the Vd and Vq voltage derivates from the Va, Vb an Vc of three phase system. A dynamic behavior of this motor can be obtained with a transient analysis of this circuit. Figure 6 shows the torque and speed vs time for a 10 HP motor using the proposed model.

This graph shows the ripple torque and ripple speed as expected for a free acceleration. Its also show the rising torque with this speed until the maximum torque and then it fall to zero at synchronous speed. The graph also shows the overshoot of the speed and its attenuation after reaching the synchronous speed. The graph also shows the overshoot of the speed and its attenuation after reaching the synchronous speed. In free acceleration I_TL is zero and R_Bm is infinite.



Fig.6 10HP Motor simulation with the proposed equivalent circuit

VI. THREE PHASE MODEL

In In order to connect the two phase equivalent circuit to a three phase voltage sources a 3-2 transformation equivalent circuit is added. The V_{ds} and V_{qs} are now voltage-controlled voltage-sources which gain is defined by the 3-2 transformation equations. However the three phase input voltage sources will not carry current. In order to be able to measure three phase currents I_a , I_b and I_c a 2-3 transformation is necessary. Three current-controlled-current- sources are also added to the circuit to obtain the three phase currents. Figure 7 shows the complete model for three phase input sources.



Fig.7 Proposed three-phase induction motor equivalent circuit using Simplorer.

VII. EQUIVALENT CIRCUIT TEST

The proposed equivalent circuit was tested using four different types of three-phase induction motors each one with a range of power of 3HP, 50HP, 500HP, and 2,250 HP. These motors where selected from the book: Analysis of electric machinery by Krause, Wasynczuck y Sudhoff [2]. They were selected since this book is well known and presents no only the complete parameters for the four motors but their torque vs speed graphics for each motor as well. Table 2 shows the parameters of the four motors.

Figure 8 shows the simulation results of the proposed model for each motor in the right and the simulation obtained with matrix simulation from the Krauss book in the left. Comparison of graphics shows the same number of cycles during the ripple torque regions and very similar values and waveforms for maximum torque and ripple torque peaks. When both reach synchronous speed they behave in the same way showing overshoot and decay peak sinusoidal waveform. In a torque vs speed this behavior is present as concentric circle as it is appreciated in the 500 and 2250 HP motors.

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However some differences can be observe in some part of the graphics. This small difference seems to be caused by simulation parameters as minimum and maximum simulation time and different integration methods that can be used.

Machine ratings		Tb	IB	rs	Xls	Xm	Xlr'	Rr'	J	
hp	volts	rpm	N.M	amps	ohms	ohms	ohms	ohms	ohms	Kg.m ²
3	220	1710	11.9	5.8	0.435	0.754	26.13	0.754	0.816	0.089
50	460	1705	198	46.8	0.087	0.302	13.08	0.302	0.228	1.662
500	2300	1773	1.98×10^{3}	93.6	0.262	1.206	54.02	1.206	0.187	11.06
2250	2300	1786	8.9×10^3	421.2	0.029	0.226	13.04	0.226	0.022	63.87

Table 2 Parameters for 3,50,500,2250 motors from Krause Book.



Fig.8 Motors simulation for 3,50,500and 2250HP:Krause Book left, proposed equivalent circuit right.

VIII. CONCLUSION

A complete novel equivalent circuit for three-phase induction motor has been presented in this paper. Electrical analogies of the mechanical component as friction load, constant load, electric torque and inertia of the motor are used. These components are substituted by two current sources, one capacitor and one resistor. Electrical and mechanical systems are coupled using voltage and current controlled sources. The results are shown to be the same obtained with matrix simulation.

In the past, different models have been developed and encapsulated within commercial applications (as Saber and Simplorer). However the use of the proposed equivalent circuits represents a better understanding and easy to handle of the different elements in the simulation. Equivalent circuits can be simulated also in much low cost application in which undergraduate students could be more familiar (Spice, Multisim). Additional electric elements for close loop control and PWM generation could be also integrated and analyzed in these applications.

IX. FUTURE WORK

The proposed model was developed using Simplorer simulator. In this application is easy to put equations for controlled sources using electrical elements values as currents and voltages. In other applications as PSpice and Multsim sensors and math blocks has to be added in order to implement the proposed equivalent circuit.

The proposed mechanical equivalent circuits can be integrated in other motor model as DC motor or single phase induction motor where less or none controlled sources are needed. Those models will be presented in future works. Equivalents circuits for the other two frames of reference could be part also of future works.

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