Superconducting Magnetic Energy Storage (SMES) Stabilizer Based Model Predictive Control Technique

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Abstract

This paper presents a design of Model predictive control (MPC) based superconducting magnetic Energy Storage (SMES) unit. Model predictive control (MPC) technique has the ability to consider the overall system constraints. The MPC technique is applied successfully for improving the overall power systems performance. The paper presents the application of MPC technique based SMES device for enhancing power system stabilization. A single-machine infinite bus power system model is used to examine the feasibility of applying MPC technique based SMES device for improving the power systems performance and damping power systems oscillations. The obtained results show that the proposed controller maintain the robust performance, minimize the effect of disturbances and specified uncertainties, very effectively.

Keywords:
Single-machine infinite bus (SMIB), Superconducting Magnetic Energy Storage (SMES), Model predictive control (MPC), Proportional-Integral-Derivative Controller (PID).

Nomenclature

\( T_{oa} \): d-axis transient open circuit time constant.

H: Inertia constant

K₅ : Damping coefficient

\( \Delta \omega \): Generator speed deviation

\( \Delta \delta \): Rotor angle deviation

\( \Delta E_q \): Transient internal voltage deviation

\( \Delta E_{fd} \): field voltage deviation

\( \omega_n \): Rated speed in ele. Rad/sec

\( V_{ref} \): Reference voltage

\( V_c \): Generator terminal voltage

K₉: The proportional gain

K₈: The integral gain

K₇: the derivative gain

1. Introduction.

Model predictive control (MPC) is one of the most advanced technologies nowadays. The main advantage of MPC is its ability to consider system constraints implicitly. Due to this advantage, MPC is also widely used in power systems, such as voltage control [1, 2] and frequency regulation.

An integrated power management for a plug-in hybrid electric vehicle (PHEV) with multiple energy sources was presented including a semi-active hybrid energy storage system (HESS) and an assistance power unit (APU). In the integrated control strategy, the model predictive control strategy regulates the output power between the battery packs and ultra-capacitor packs, while the rule-based strategy allocates the output power between the APU and HESS. The fuel economy improvement under the MANHATTAN driving cycle is 21.88% [3]. The joining between fuzzy model and predictive control utilizes to beat the control problems of the super heater steam temperature (SST) of the power plant, likewise they have the feasibility and effectiveness [4]. MPC is classified to centralize, distribute and hierarchical which use as a viable solutions to damp wide-area electromechanical oscillations in large-scale power systems. The hierarchical scheme gives the best performances and robustness [5]. The load frequency control (LFC) problem of multi-area
interconnected power system is a disturbance rejection problem of large-scale system with state and input constraints, thus the distributed model predictive control (DMPC) technique is applied for this type of control problem. The overall system is resolved into several subsystems and each has its own local area MPC controller. The scheme awards the robust performance while respecting physical severe restrictions [6]. As well as, decentralized MPC is used to reduce the effect of the uncertainty due to governor and turbine parameters variation and load disturbance [7]. In Smart Grid, advanced plug-in vehicles (PEVs) can be connected with the distribution system, however the charging load can’t be predicted. Then, it is complicated the operations of distribution systems. MPC based power dispatch approach is employed to minimize the operational cost while accommodating the PEV charging uncertainty [8]. The (D-MPC) of a wind farm equipped with fast and short-term energy storage system (ESS) for optimal active power control using the fast gradient method via dual decomposition. The wind farm size doesn’t affect on this algorithm so, it is suitable for the modern wind farm application [9]. An MPC is designed for controlling the frequency of wind-penetrated power systems. MPC is robust which uses the knowledge of the estimated worst-case power imbalance [10]. The model predictive control approach is applied to a photovoltaic-diesel-battery hybrid system to optimally dispatch uses of its components. The performances of the closed-loop system are satisfactory [11]. Nonlinear MPC applied in a hybrid power system including a direct methanol fuel cell (DMFC) and a lithium-ion battery, then provides a good efficiency and robustness [12]. A distributed two-level cooperative model predictive control scheme has been presented for the power output regulation in a distributed system with a group of PV generators [13]. A railway traction power conditioner (RTPC) based on cascaded multilevel structure was presented for power quality compensation in high-speed railway system. An improved MPC strategy for RTPC was proposed to minimize current tracking errors and reduce the requirement of control frequency of MPC [14]. The explicit MPC was applied for frequency control in an actual isolated power system in Inner Mongolia. The system frequency can be restored by EMPC to its nominal value under large disturbance [15]. MPC was used for a grid-connected inverter in a photovoltaic system. The proposed strategy was effectiveness and validated [16].

This paper presents a design of Model predictive control (MPC) based superconducting magnetic Energy Storage (SMES) unit. Model predictive control (MPC) technique has the ability to consider the overall system constraints. The MPC technique is applied successfully for improving the overall power systems performance. The paper presents the application of MPC technique based SMES device for enhancing power system stabilization. A single-machine infinite bus power system model is used to examine the feasibility of applying MPC technique based SMES device for improving the power systems performance and damping power systems oscillations. The obtained results show that the proposed controller maintain the robust performance, minimize the effect of disturbances and specified uncertainties, very effectively.

2. SYSTEM STUDIED

Fig. 1 shows schematic of the system studied, which a single machine infinite bus (SMIB) power system is considered [17]. The SMIB system is called the plant which consists of a synchronous generator connected through transmission line to a very large power network approximated by an infinite bus. The synchronous generator is driven by a turbine with a governor and excited by an external excitation system. The excitation system is controlled by an automatic voltage regulator (AVR) and a PID controller. The power system considered in this study is the fourth order linearized one-machine and infinite bus system [17].

![Fig. 1. Schematic of a single-machine infinite-bus (SMIB) power system.](image)

Fig. 2 shows a block diagram of transfer functions describing the different subsystems of the one machine infinite bus power system. The different subsystems blocks are given as [18];

A. Excitation system:

\[ \frac{K_E}{1 + sT_E} \]  

(1)

Where, \( K_E \) is the gain of exciter and \( T_E \) is time constant of exciter.

B. Field flux decay:

\[ \frac{K_3}{1 + sK_3T_{d0}} \]  

(2)
where, $T_{do}$ is the d-axis transient open circuit time constant.

C. Machine mechanical dynamics loop:

$$\frac{1}{2Hs + K_d}$$ (3)

Where, $H$ is the inertia constant and $K_d$ is damping coefficient.

Parameters $K_1, ... , K_6$ are the constants of linearized model of synchronous machine. From the block diagram, shown in Fig. 2, and using Eqs. (1, 2 and 3) the following fourth order linearized one machine infinite bus system can be derived as described in [17, 18].

![Fig 2. Block diagram of one machine infinite bus system](image)

The values of $K_1, K_6$ are calculated according to the operating conditions of the generation system and connected power system [18]. Details of these constants are given in Appendix II.


A SMES system requires Power Conversion System (PCS) that can be either a voltage or current source inverter. Since the inverter utilized for a FACTS controller is voltage source type, the integration of SMES and FACTS devices can provide independent real and reactive power absorption or injection. If a transmission line experiences significant power transfer variations, SMES can be installed to relieve the loaded transmission line. A SMES system consists of a superconducting coil, cryogenic system and the power conversion or conditioning system (PCS) used for control and protection functions. IEEE defines SMES as —SMES device containing electronic converters that rapidly injects and/or absorbs real and/or reactive power or dynamically controls power flow in an ac system [19].

The SMES device is used to damp the oscillations due to load disturbances that must be controlled. The control signal of SMES device is the frequency deviation at bus which SMES is connected. However, the output power from SMES, absorbed or injected to the connected bus, is controlled. Fig.3 shows the control system of SMES FACTS device.

![Fig 3. Control system of SMES and FACTS devices](image)

The value of gain block $G$ of control system is selected to be 6 by trial and error. Also the SMES device is simulated as first order transfer function by time constant $T$ of 0.03 sec.

4. Continuous Time PID Controller Model:

The PID controller is straightforward and simple to execute. It is broadly applied in industry to solve different control problems. PID controllers are utilized for decades. During this time, numerous adjustments have been presented in the literature [20-21]. Then the transfer function of the modified continuous time PID controller is given by [22]:

$$PID(s) = K_p + K_i \frac{1}{s} + K_d \frac{s}{Ts + 1}$$ (4)

Where, $K_p$ is the proportional gain, $K_i$ is the integral gain, $K_d$ is the derivative gain and the term $\frac{1}{Ts + 1}$ acts as an effective low-pass filter on the D regulator to attenuate noise in the derivative block. The individual effects of these three terms on the closed loop performance are summarized in [22].PID controller parameters are determined from the Matlab tuning given by [22]:

- $K_p = 15.5$, $K_i = 5$, $K_d = 0.0115$, $\tau = 0.01$

Where, the speed deviation $\Delta\omega$ is the input to the PID controller, and the filter is used to remove the controller effect at steady state conditions.

5. Model Predictive Control Technique:

The MPC has proved to efficiently control an extensive variety of utilizations in industry, for example, chemical process, petrol industry, electromechanical systems and numerous different applications. The MPC scheme depends on an explicit use of a prediction model of the system response to obtain the control actions by minimizing an objective function. Optimization objectives include minimization of the difference between the
predicted and reference response, and the control effort subjected to prescribed constraints. The effectiveness of the MPC is demonstrated to be proportionate to the optimal control. It shows its main strength in its computational expediency, realtime applications, intrinsic compensation for time delays, treatment of constraints, and potential for future extensions of the methodology. At each control interval, the first input in the optimal sequence is sent into the plant, and the entire calculation is repeated at subsequent control intervals. The purpose of taking new measurements at each time step is to compensate for unmeasured disturbances and model inaccuracy, both of which cause the system output to be different from the one predicted by the model [23,24].

\[ J(N_1, N_2, N_u) = \sum_{j=1}^{N_1} \beta(j)[y(k+j|k) - w(k+j)]^2 + \sum_{j=1}^{N_2} \alpha(j)[u(k+j-1)]^2 \]  

Where, \( N_1 \), \( N_2 \) are the lower and upper prediction horizons over the output, \( N_u \) is the control horizon, \( \beta(j) \), \( \alpha(j) \) are weighting factors. The control horizon permits to decrease the number of calculated future control according to the relation: \( Au(k+j) = 0 \) for \( j \geq N_u \). The \( w(k+j) \) represents the reference trajectory over the future horizon \( N \). Constraints over the control signal, the outputs and the control signal changing can be added to the cost function as follows:

\[ U_{\text{min}} = U(K) \leq U_{\text{max}} \]

\[ U_{\text{min}} \leq \Delta U(K) \leq \Delta U_{\text{max}} \]

\[ y_{\text{min}} \leq y(K) \leq y_{\text{max}} \]

Solution of Eq. (5) gives the optimal sequence of control signal over the horizon \( N \) while respecting the given constraints of Eq. (6). The MPC technique has many advantages, in particularly it can pilot a big variety of process, being simple to apply in the case of multivariable system, can compensate the effect of pure delay by the prediction, inducing the anticipate effect in closed loop, being a simple technique of control to be applied and also offer optimal solution while respecting the given constraints. On the other hand, this type of restructure required the knowledge of model for the system, and in the present of constraints it becomes a relatively more complex regulator than a simple conventional controller such as a PID for example, and it takes more time for on-line calculations.

6. SIMULATION RESULTS

Computer simulation is carried out in order to validate the effectiveness of the proposed scheme. The Matlab/Simulink software package is used for this purpose.

Firstly, the proposed system is tested under the condition of step change in the mechanical torque by 10% as shown in Fig 5.
Fig 5. Dynamic responses to step change by 10% in the mechanical torque

Secondly, the proposed system is tested under the condition of step change in the mechanical torque by 20% as shown in Fig 6.

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Finally, the proposed system is tested under the condition of step change in the mechanical torque by 40% as shown in Fig 7.
7. CONCLUSIONS

This paper investigates Superconducting Magnetic Energy Storage (SMES) Stabilizer for single-machine infinite bus (SMIB) based on Model Predictive Control Technique. Digital simulations have been carried out in order to validate the effectiveness of the proposed scheme. A performance comparison between the proposed MPC and PID controllers has been carried out. The simulation results demonstrate that, the dynamic response of the system has been improved by using the MPC.

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APPENDIX I

I.1 Generator parameters:

\[
H=4.63, \ K_d=4.4, \ T_{d0} =7.67, \ \omega_B =377.0, \ \omega_e=0.973 \ \text{pu}, \ x_d=0.19 \ \text{pu}, \ x_e=0.55 \ \text{pu}
\]

I.2 Exciter parameters:

\[
K_h=50.0, T_e=0.05.
\]

I.3 The K’s:

\[
K_i=0.5758, \ K_c=0.0684, K_v=0.5266, \ K_v=-0.0494, K_c=0.8450.
\]

I.4 Transmission line:

\[
R_e=0.0, \ x_e=0.997 \ \text{pu}.
\]

I.5 Operating point:

\[
Q_{0}=0.015 \ \text{pu}, \ V_{0}=1.05 \ \text{pu}, \ P_v=0.75 \ \text{pu}
\]

APPENDIX II

The constants \( K_i \): \( K_v \) are evaluated with transmission line resistance \( r_e=0 \) given as follows [22]:

\[
K_i = \frac{X_q - X_d}{(X_e + X_d)} I_q V_0 \sin \delta_0 + \frac{E_{q0} V_0 \cos \delta_0}{(X_e + X_q)}
\]

\[
K_v = \frac{V_0 \sin \delta_0}{(X_e + X_d)}
\]

\[
K_v = \frac{X_d + X_e}{(X_e + X_d)}
\]

\[
K_v = \frac{X_e + X_d}{(X_e + X_q)} V_0 \cos \delta_0 + \frac{X_q}{(X_e + X_q)} V_{q0} V_0 \sin \delta_0
\]

\[
K_e = \frac{X_q V_{q0}}{(X_e + X_d)} V_{t0}
\]