

Dynamic behavior of DFIG based wind turbine under fixed and variable wind speed

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Abstract— The global wind energy capacity has increased rapidly and became the fastest developing renewable energy technology. But unbalances in wind energy are highly impacting the energy conversion and this problem can be overcome by using variable speed wind turbines. Doubly Fed Induction Generator (DFIG) based Wind Energy Conversion Systems (WECS) are gaining tremendous attention nowadays. In this paper the mathematical modeling of wind turbine is simulated in MATLAB and the results are analyzed for both fixed and variable wind speed. Also dynamic modeling of DFIG has been simulated using MATLAB/SIMULINK and the dynamic behavior of DFIG driven by wind turbine is simulated for variable wind speed.

Keywords—Wind Turbine, Doubly-fed induction generator, Wind Energy Conversion System.

I. INTRODUCTION

The renewable energy systems have attracted the great interest because conventional sources of energy are limited and a number of problems associated with their use, like environment pollution, large grid requirements etc. Government of the whole world is forced for the alternative energy sources such as wind power, solar energy and small hydro-electric power [1]. Among the above given choices, wind energy is a realistic way of harnessing the natural energy. Wind energy has been intensively investigated in recent years in many different countries, which resulted in several different configurations like fixed speed system with a SCIG, the variable speed system with permanent magnet synchronous generator (PMSG) and the variable speed system with a DFIG to improve the efficiency, power rating, cost benefit effectiveness etc [2].

Wind is highly variable in nature, so variable speed Doubly Fed Induction Generator based WECS offers many advantages compared to the fixed speed squirrel cage induction generators, such as reduced converter rating, cost, losses in result of that an improved efficiency, easy implementation of power factor correction, variable speed operation and four quadrants active and reactive power control capabilities . Due to variable speed operation, total energy output is much more in case of DFIG-based WECS, so capacity utilization factor is improved and cost of per unit energy is reduced [3].

A DFIG based wind energy conversion system is shown in Fig.1. Here stator of the DFIG is directly connected to the

grid and the rotor is connected to the grid via a back to back PWM Voltage Source Converter (VSC). There are a lot of advantages of using DFIG in wind energy conversion system. The main advantage is the ability of generator to supply power both at lagging and leading power factors. The other advantage is the control of the rotor voltages and

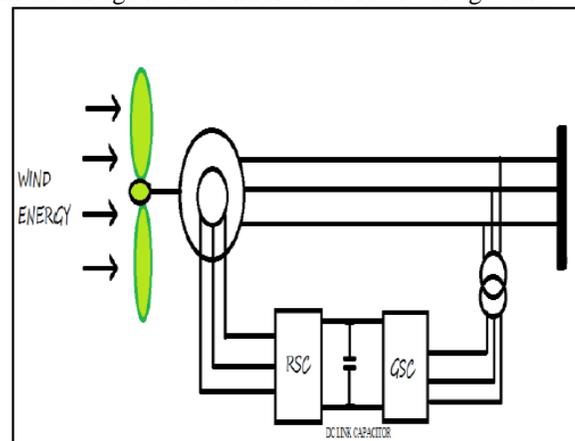


Figure1 DFIG based WECS

currents enable the induction machine to remain synchronized with the grid while the wind turbine speed varies. The main reason for the popularity of the doubly fed wind induction generators is their ability to supply power at constant voltage and frequency while the rotor speed varies. Hence DFIG became more popular in wind power applications. Again controlling the DFIG from the rotor side makes the control process more cost effective as the rotor converters have to deal with comparatively less power when

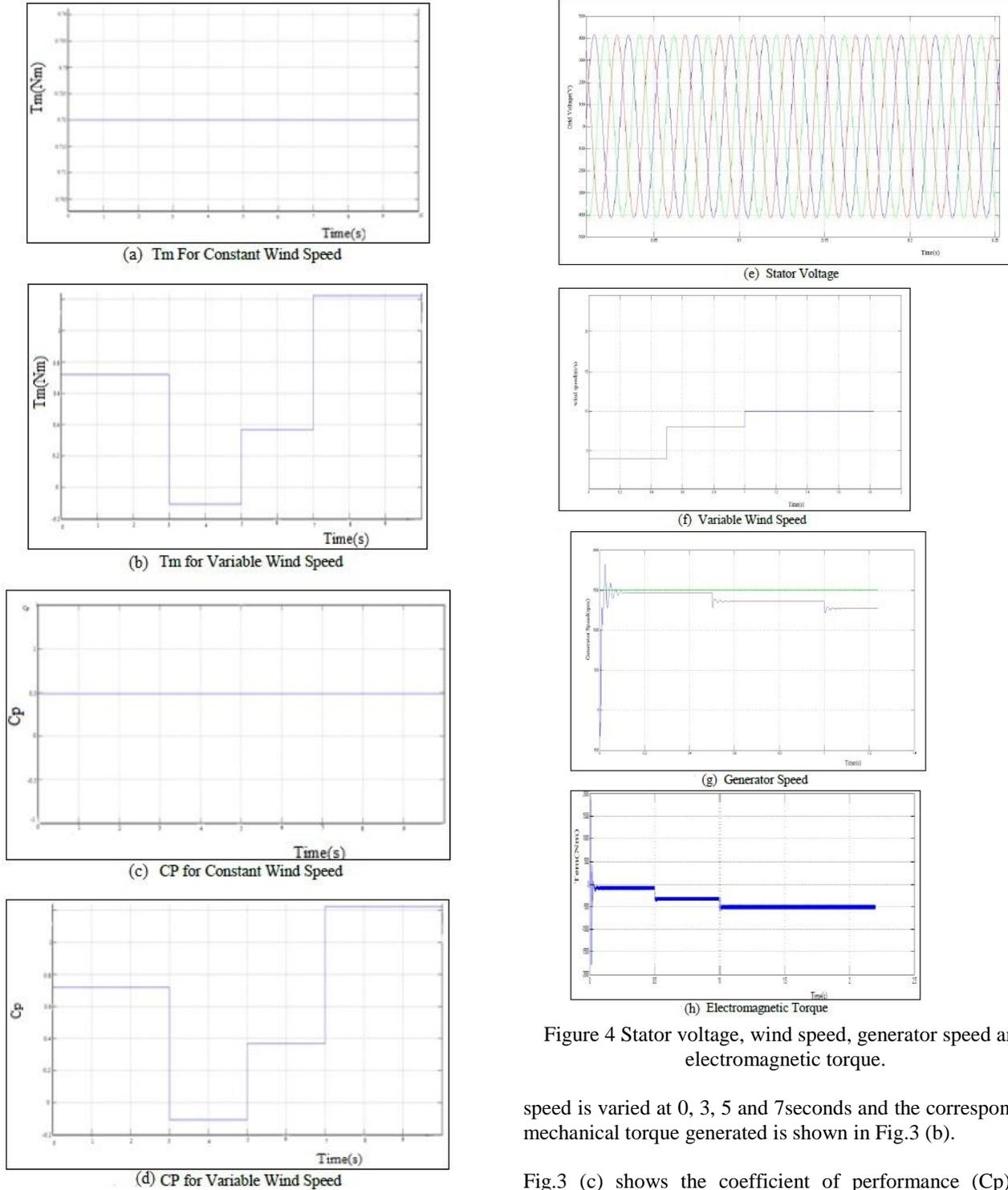


Figure 3. Mechanical torque and coefficient of performance for fixed and variable wind speed

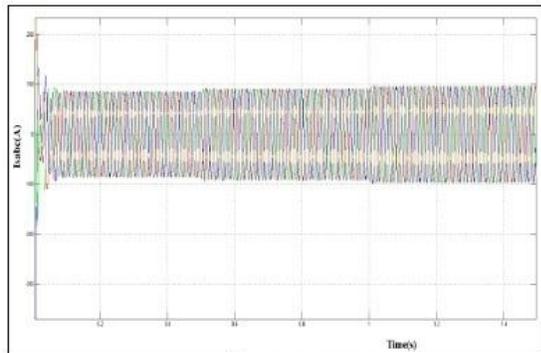
Figure 4 Stator voltage, wind speed, generator speed and electromagnetic torque.

speed is varied at 0, 3, 5 and 7seconds and the corresponding mechanical torque generated is shown in Fig.3 (b).

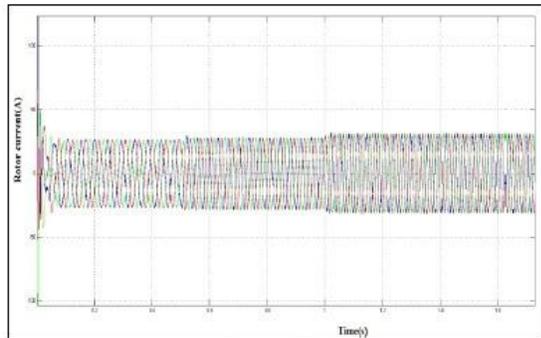
Fig.3 (c) shows the coefficient of performance (Cp) for constant wind speed in per unit and Fig.3 (d) shows the Cp for variable wind speed. The wind speed is varied at 0, 3, 5 and 7 seconds.

Fig.4 to Fig.5 show the simulation results of Doubly Fed Induction Generator driven by wind turbine for variable wind

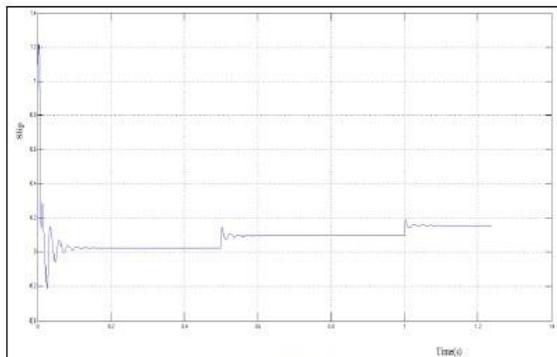
speed. The DFIG based wind turbine is simulated using



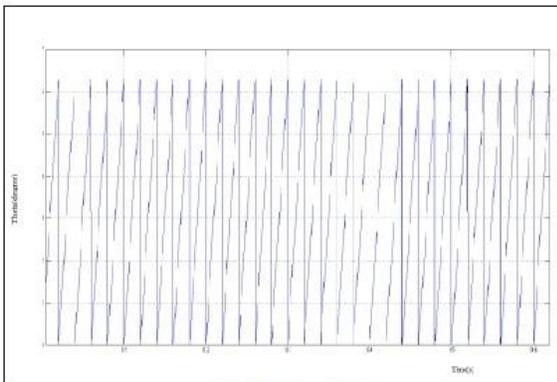
(i) Stator Current



(j) Rotor Current



(k) Slip



(l) Rotor Angle Theta

Figure 5 Stator current, rotor current, slip and rotor angle theta

MATLAB/Simulink. The stator of the DFIG is having three phase supply. Fig.4 (e) shows the stator voltage.

The response of the DFIG system is simulated for the case of step changes in the wind speed as shown in Fig.4(f). The variation of wind speed at 0, 0.5 and 1 sec is shown in Fig. 4(f). From 0 to 0.5 wind speed is 4m/s, from 0.5 to 1 it is 8m/s and beyond 1 it is 10m/s

After the cut in speed the turbine starts generating power. When the wind speed increases the generator speed also increases [19-20]. When the wind speed is less than the rated speed rotor rotates at a speed less than the synchronous speed i.e. sub synchronous generating mode.

Fig.4 (g) shows the sub synchronous generating mode of DFIG for variable wind speed. Fig.4 (h) shows that when wind speed increases the torque increases and as it is a generator the torque is negative.

As the wind speed increases stator current and rotor current increases. The simulation results are shown in Fig.5 (i) and Fig.5 (j). Also when the speed of the generator rotor is less than the synchronous speed, the corresponding slip will be positive as shown in Fig.5 (k). The rotor angle theta in electrical degrees is shown in Fig. 5(l).

The machine details used for simulation are power=30KW, voltage=415V, current=100A, no. of poles=4, frequency=50Hz, speed=1500rpm and torque= 191Nm.

IV. CONCLUSIONS

In this paper mathematical modeling of wind turbine has been simulated using MATLAB and the results are analyzed for both fixed and variable wind speed. Also the dynamic modeling of DFIG has been simulated and the results are analyzed for variable wind speed. The results show that the variation of wind speed induces variation in the performance of the machine.

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