Modeling and Simulation of Photovoltaic Fed Drive by Using High Voltage Gain DC-DC Boost Converter

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Abstract— D.C. motors are seldom used in ordinary applications because all electric supply companies furnish alternating current. However, for special applications such as in steel mills, mines and electric trains, it is advantageous to convert low value of DC into high value of DC in order to use D.C. motors controlled by power electronic apparatus. Here the DC motor is controlled power electronic converters through RES system. The renewable energy sources such as PV modules, fuel cells or energy storage devices such as super capacitors or batteries deliver output voltage at the range of around 15 to 40 VDC. A boost converter is used to clamp the voltage stresses of all the switches in the interleaved converters, caused by the leakage inductances present in the practical coupled inductors, to a low voltage level. Overall performance of the renewable energy system is then affected by the efficiency of step-up DC/DC converters with closed loop control action, which are the key parts in the system power chain. This paper presents a dc-dc power converter integrated closed loop system to attain high stability factor in such a way to obtain, in a single stage conversion fed DC motor drive. This review is mainly focused on high efficiency step-up DC/DC converters with high voltage gain. The results are obtained through Matlab/Simulink software package.

Index Terms— DC–DC Power Conversion, Capacitor Modules, Interleaved Methodology, PI Controller.

I. INTRODUCTION

DC motors are used extensively in adjustable speed drives and position control applications. Their speeds below the base speeds can be controlled by armature/voltage control. Speeds above the base speed are obtained by field-flux control method. As speed control method for DC motors are simpler and less expensive than those for AC motors, DC motors are preferred where wide speed range control is required. For this control objective of DC drive is obtained by using power electronic device fed renewable energy generation scheme now implemented in many industrial applications. Fig. 1 shows the schematic diagram that the PV panel is connected to the DC motor through proposed converter by a closed loop control. In recent years, there has been an upsurge of interest in solar photovoltaic (PV) energy systems in both industry and academia [1]-[4]. In typical PV power generation systems, several photovoltaic panels are connected in series and parallel to form an array and feed energy to a single centralized converter [16]. An alternative approach is to use a DC module, which is a combination of one PV panel and one power conditioning unit, to feed power directly into the DC grid [8]. The advantages of a DC module based system over formal systems due to centralized control action are as follows:

1) The maximum power point (MPP) of each panel can be tracked individually, thereby increasing the utilization of the whole PV system;
2) Detrimental effects due to shading and module mismatches are not present.
3) Potential arcing problems due to DC system wiring are fully avoided.

A DC–DC converter with a high step-up voltage gain is used for many applications, such as high-intensity discharge lamp ballasts for automobile headlamps, fuel cell energy conversion systems, solar-cell energy conversion systems and battery backup systems for uninterruptible power supplies [9]-[12]. Theoretically, a dc–dc boost converter can achieve a high step-up voltage gain with an extremely high duty ratio. However, in practice, the step-up voltage gain is limited due to the effect of power switches, rectifier diodes and the equivalent series resistance (ESR) [13] of inductors and capacitors.

In general, a conventional boost converter can be adopted to provide a high step-up voltage gain with a large duty ratio. However, the conversion efficiency and the step-up voltage gain are limited due to the constraints of the losses of power switches and diodes, the equivalent series resistance of inductors and capacitors and the reverse recovery problem of diodes. However, the active switch of...
these converters will suffer very high voltage stress and high power dissipation due to the leakage inductance of the transformer. Although this configuration is useful in terms of system monitoring and repair, the partial shading, module mismatch, and dc connection cable losses are inevitable problems and lead to significantly reduced system energy yields [14]–[17].

The energy of a single PV panel through the converter output to the main electricity; this is a general DC grid-connected system. The converter is inlaid in the rear bezel of the PV panel and outputs the dc current to the load or to the main electricity; this alternative solution not only immunizes the yield loss by shadow effect, but also provides flexible installation options according to the user’s budget [5]–[7]. The maximum power point (MPP) voltage range is from 15 V to 40 V with various power capacities of about 100 W to 300 W for a single commercial PV panel. When a wide input voltage range is essential for the single stage converter, high efficiency is difficult to achieve. However, the single stage conversion system, which combines a high step-up dc/dc converter, is able to achieve efficiency as high as the conventional PV string-type inverter [8]. The typical Zeta converter provides either a step-up or a step-down function to the output, in a manner similar to that of the buck-boost or SEPIC converter topologies [11]. The conventional Zeta converter is configured of two inductors, a series capacitor and a diode.

II. PROPOSED CONVERTER TOPOLOGY

The simplified circuit model of the proposed converter is shown in Fig. 2. The coupled inductor $T_1$ includes a magnetizing inductor $L_m$, primary and secondary leakage inductors $L_{k1}$ and $L_{k2}$, and an ideal transformer primary winding $N_1$ and secondary winding $N_2$. To simplify the circuit analysis of the proposed converter, the following assumptions are made.

1) All components are ideal, except for the leakage inductance of coupled inductor $T_1$, the ON-state resistance $RDS (ON)$, and all parasitic capacitances of the main switch $S$ are neglected, as are the forward voltage drops of the diodes $D_1$ to $D_3$.

2) The capacitors $C_1\sim C_3$ are sufficiently large that the voltages across them are considered to be constant.

3) The ESR of capacitors $C1\sim C3$ and the parasitic resistance of coupled-inductor $T1$ are neglected.

4) The turns ratio $n$ of the coupled inductor $T1$ winding is equal to $N_2/N_1$.

The operating principles for continuous-conduction mode (CCM) are now presented in detail. Fig. 3 shows the typical waveform of several major components during one switching period. The five operating modes are described as follows.

CCM Operation

Mode I[$t_{0}, t_{1}$]: In this transition interval, the secondary leakage inductor $L_{k2}$ is continuously releasing its energy to capacitor $C_2$. The current flow path is shown in Fig. 4(a); as shown, switch $S_1$ and diodes $D_2$ are conducting. The current $i_{lm}$ is descending because source voltage $V_{lm}$ is applied on magnetizing inductor $L_m$ and primary leakage inductor $L_{k1}$; meanwhile, $L_{m}$ is also releasing its energy to the secondary winding, as well as charging capacitor $C_2$ along with the decrease in energy, the charging current $iD2$...
and iC2 are also decreasing. The secondary leakage inductor current \(i_{Lk2}\) is declining according to \(i_{lm}/n\). Once the increasing \(i_{Lk1}\) equals the decreasing \(i_{lm}\) at \(t=t_1\), this mode ends

\[
\frac{di_{lm}}{dt} = \frac{v_{lm}}{L_{lm}}
\]

\[
\frac{di_{Lk1}}{dt} = \frac{v_{in} - v_{lm}}{L_{k1}}
\]

\[
i_{Lk2}^1(t) = \frac{t_{lm}(t) - t_{ks1}(t)}{n}
\]

Mode II (t1,t2): During this interval, source energy \(V_{in}\) is series connected with C1,C2, secondary winding N2, and Lk2 to charge output capacitor C3 and load R; meanwhile, magnetizing inductor \(L_{m}\) is also receiving energy from \(V_{in}\). The current flow path is shown in Fig.4(b); as illustrated, switch S1 remains on, and only diode D3 is conducting. The \(i_{lm}, i_{Lk1}, i_{Lk2}\) are increasing because the \(V_{in}\) is crossing Lk1,Lm and primary winding N1;Lm and Lk1 are storing energy from \(V_{in}\); meanwhile, \(V_{in}\) is also in series with \(N_2\) of coupled inductor T1, and capacitors \(C_1\) and \(C_2\) are discharging their energy to capacitor \(C_3\) and load R, which leads to increases in \(i_{lm}, i_{Lk1}, i_{DS}, i_{D3}\).

\[
\frac{di_{Lm}}{dt} = \frac{v_{in}}{L_{m}}
\]

\[
i_{Lm}^H(t) = i_{Lk1}^H(t) - ni_{Lk2}^H(t)
\]

\[
\frac{di_{Lm}^H(t)}{dt} = \frac{(1+n)i_{Lk2}^H(t)}{L_{k2}}
\]

This mode ends when switch S1 is turned off at \(t=t_2\)

\[
i_{Lm}^I(t) = i_{DS}^I(t) = i_{Lm}^I(t) + (1+n)i_{Lk2}^I(t)
\]

\[
\frac{di_{Lm}^I(t)}{dt} = \frac{(1+n)\Delta t_{in} + V_{in} + V_{C3} - V_{C1}}{L_{k2}}
\]

Mode III (t2,t3): During this transition interval, secondary leakage inductor Lk2 keeps charging C3 when switch S1 is off. The current flow path is shown in Fig. 4(c), and only diodes D1 and D3 are conducting. The energy stored in leakage inductor \(L_{k2}\) flows through diode D1 to charge capacitor C1 instantly when S1 turns off. Meanwhile, the Lk2 keeps the same current direction as in the prior mode and is in series with C2 to charge output capacitor C3 and load R. The voltage across S1 is the summation of \(V_{in}\), \(V_{Lm}\), and \(V_{Lk1}\). Currents \(i_{Lk1}\) and \(i_{Lk2}\) are rapidly declining, but \(i_{Lm}\) is increasing because \(Lm\) is receiving energy from \(Lk2\). Once current \(i_{Lk2}\) drops to zero, this mode ends at \(t=t_3\)

\[
i_{Lm}^I(t) = i_{Lk1}^I(t) - ni_{Lk2}^I(t)
\]

\[
\frac{di_{Lm}^I(t)}{dt} = \frac{-V_{C1} - V_{Lm}}{L_{k2}}
\]
Mode \( IV[t_5, t_6] \): During this transition interval, the energy stored in magnetizing inductor \( L_m \) releases simultaneously to \( C_1 \) and \( C_2 \). The current flow path is shown in Fig. 4(d). Only diodes \( D_2 \) and \( D_3 \) are conducting. Currents \( i_{L1} \) and \( i_{D1} \) are persistently decreased because leakage energy still flows through diode \( D_1 \) and continues charging capacitor \( C_1 \). The \( L_m \) is decreasing due to the magnetizing inductor energy flowing continuously through the coupled inductor \( T_1 \) to secondary winding \( N_2 \) and \( D_2 \) to charge capacitor \( C_2 \). The energy stored in capacitors \( C_1 \) and \( C_2 \) is constantly discharged to the load \( R \). The voltage across \( S_1 \) is the same as previous mode. Currents \( i_{L1} \) and \( i_{Lm} \) are decreasing, but \( i_{D2} \) is increasing. This mode ends when current \( i_{L1} \) is zero at \( t = t_6 \).

\[
\begin{align*}
\frac{d i_{L1}^V}{dt} (t) &= i_{L1}^V (t) - n i_{LK2}^V (t) \\
\frac{d i_{Lm}^V}{dt} (t) &= -i_{V_m} - i_{V_m} \\
\frac{d i_{D2}^V}{dt} (t) &= i_{C2} + n V_{in}
\end{align*}
\]  

Mode \( V[t_6, t_7] \): During this interval, magnetizing inductor \( L_m \) is constantly transferring energy to \( C_2 \). The current flow path is shown in Fig. 4(e), and only diode \( D_2 \) is conducting. The \( L_m \) is decreasing due to the magnetizing inductor energy flowing continuously through the coupled inductor \( T_1 \) to secondary winding \( N_2 \) and \( D_2 \) to charge capacitor \( C_2 \). The energy stored in capacitors \( C_1 \) is constantly discharged to the load \( R \). The voltage across \( S_1 \) is the summation of \( V_{in} \) and \( V_{Lm} \). This mode ends when switch \( S_1 \) is turned on at the beginning of the next switching period.

\[
\begin{align*}
\frac{d i_{Lm}^V}{dt} (t) &= V_{Lm} \\
i_{Lm}^V (t) &= 0 \\
i_{D2}^V (t) &= i_{C2} + n V_{in}
\end{align*}
\]  

III. STEADY-STATE ANALYSIS

**CCM Operation**

To simplify the steady-state analysis, only modes II and IV are considered for CCM operation, and the leakage inductances at primary and secondary sides are ignored. The following equations can be written from Fig. 4(b):

\[
\begin{align*}
V_{Lm} &= V_{in} \\
V_{L2} &= n V_{in}
\end{align*}
\]  

During mode IV, the following equations can be written:

\[
\begin{align*}
\frac{d i_{Lm}^V}{dt} (t) &= V_{Lm} \\
i_{Lm}^V (t) &= 0 \\
i_{D2}^V (t) &= \frac{n V_{in}}{L_{k2}}
\end{align*}
\]
\[
\frac{K_p}{s} + K_i = \frac{K_f + 5K_p}{s}
\]  
(29)

The values of \(K_p\) and \(K_i\) are taken as 0.2 and 0.5.

V. MATLAB MODELLING AND SIMULATION RESULTS

Here the simulation is carried out by two cases, in that

1. Proposed DC/DC Converter Operating Under Open Loop Condition.
2. Proposed DC/DC Converter Operating Under Closed Loop Condition with DC Drive.

**Case 1: Proposed DC/DC Converter Operating Under Open Loop Condition**

Fig. 5 Matlab/Simulink Model of Proposed DC/DC Converter Operating Under Open Loop Condition

Fig. 5 shows the Matlab/Simulink Model of Proposed DC/DC Converter Operating under Open Loop Condition using Matlab/Simulink Tool.

Fig. 6 Output Voltage

Fig. 6 shows the Output Voltage of Proposed DC/DC Converter Operating under Open Loop Condition, due to non-presence of feedback system attains low stable operation, attains 0.02 sec for fast response.

**Case 2: Proposed DC/DC Converter Operating Under Closed Loop Condition with DC Drive**

Fig. 7 Output Power

Fig. 7 shows the Output Power of Proposed DC/DC Converter Operating under Open Loop Condition.

Fig. 8 Switching States, \(V_{ds}, I_{ds}\)

Fig. 8 shows the Switching States, \(V_{ds}, I_{ds}\) of Proposed DC/DC Converter Operating under Open Loop Condition.

**Case 2: Proposed DC/DC Converter Operating Under Closed Loop Condition with DC Drive**

Fig. 9 Matlab/Simulink Model of Proposed DC/DC Converter Operating Under Closed Loop Condition

Fig. 9 shows the Matlab/Simulink Model of Proposed DC/DC Converter Operating under Closed Loop Condition using Matlab/Simulink Tool.
Fig. 10 shows the Output Voltage of Proposed DC/DC Converter Operating under Closed Loop Condition, due to presence of feedback system attains high stable operation, attains 0.01 sec for fast response.

Fig. 10 shows the Switching States, Vds, Ids of Proposed DC/DC Converter Operating under Closed Loop Condition.

Fig. 11 Matlab/Simulink Model of Proposed DC/DC Converter Operating under Closed Loop Condition fed DC Drive

Fig. 12 Speed of the DC Drive System

Fig. 12 Speed of Proposed DC/DC Converter Operating under Closed Loop Condition fed DC drive.

V. CONCLUSION

Since DC power sources are widely used in many applications, including DC power supplies, battery chargers, and lighting systems. The high step up dc–dc converters are usually used as the front-end converters to step-up from low voltage to high voltage which are required to have a large conversion ratio, high efficiency, and small volume. The proposed converter employs the turns ratio n = 3 of the coupled inductor to achieve 8 times step-up voltage gain; The energy of the leakage inductor of the coupled inductor is recycled, and the voltage stress across the active switch $S_1$ has been limited; these merits mean low ON-state resistance $R_{DS(ON)}$ can be selected, which effectively improves the efficiency of the proposed converter and uncertainties in the input can be compensated to controlling the steady state error by using closed loop PI controller system and induce to many industrial applications.

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