SIMULATION AND WORKING OF DPFC FACT DEVICE FOR VOLTAGE SAG AND SWELL MITIGATION

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Abstract: Now a day’s power system facing a power quality problem due to increase in power demand and increase in industrial plants. Good power quality means the power supply which can always available within voltage and frequency tolerance and also these are harmonic free and pure sinusoidal shape. This paper describes the power flow control in transmission line with Flexible AC Transmission System (FACTS) family, called Distributed Power Flow Controller (DPFC). The DPFC is derived from the Unified Power Flow Controller (UPFC). The DPFC can be considered as UPFC with an eliminated common DC link, to enable the independent operation of the shunt and the series converters which enhances the effective placement of the series and shunt converters. The active power exchange between the two converters, which is through the common dc link in the UPFC, is now through the transmission lines at the third-harmonic frequency in the DPFC. DPFC is used to mitigate the voltage sag and swell as a power quality issue. The DPFC have the same control capability as the UPFC, which comprises the adjustment of the line impedance, the transmission angle, and the bus voltage. In DPFC three-phase series converter is divided to several single-phase series distributed converters through the transmission line.

I. INTRODUCTION

A Power Quality problem can be defined as deviation of magnitude and frequency from the ideal sinusoidal waveform. Good power quality is benefit to the operation of electrical equipment, but poor power quality will produce great harm to the power system. Most of the electronic equipments such as personal computers, telecommunication equipment, microprocessors, and microcontrollers etc; are generally responsible to Power Quality problems. A poor power quality has become a more important issue for both power suppliers and customers. Poor power quality means there is a deviation in the power supply to cause equipment malfunction or may failure. To solve the power quality problem the power electronic devices such as flexible alternating-current transmission system (FACTS) and custom power devices (DVR) which are used in transmission and distribution control, respectively, should be developed. The impact of transient parameters in majority of transmission lines problems such as sag (voltage dip), swell (over voltage) and interruption, are also considerable [5]. To mitigate the mentioned power quality problems, the utilization of FACTS devices such as power flow controller (UPFC) and synchronous static compensator (STAT-COM) can be helpful. The distributed power flow controller (DPFC) is presented which has a similar configuration to UPFC structure.

II. VOLTAGE SAG

Voltage sags and momentary power interruptions are probably the most important Power Quality problem affecting industrial and large commercial customers. These events are usually associated with a fault at some location in the supplying power system. Interruptions occur when the fault is on the circuit supplying the customer. But voltage sags occur even if the faults happen to be far away from the customer's site. Voltage sags lasting only 4-5 cycles can cause a wide range of sensitive customer equipment to drop out. To industrial customers, voltage sag and a momentary interruption are equivalent if both shut their process down. A typical example of voltage sag is shown in fig.1

![Fig.1- Voltage Sag condition](image_url)
III. VOLTAGE SWELL

A swell is the reverse form of Sag, having an increase in AC Voltage for duration of 0.5 cycles to 1 minute's time. For swells, high-impedance neutral connections, sudden large load reductions, and a single-phase fault on a three phase system are common sources. Swells can cause data errors, light flickering, electrical contact degradation, and semiconductor damage in electronics causing hard server failures. Our power conditioners and UPS Solutions are common solutions for swells. It is important to note that, much like sags, swells may not be apparent until results are seen. Having your power quality devices monitoring and logging your incoming power will help measure these events.

DPFC Working

The DPFC is composed of a single shunt converter and multiple independent series converters as shown in Figure 3, which is used to balance the line parameters, such as line impedance, transmission angle and bus voltage magnitude. To detect the voltage sags and determine the three single phase reference voltages of DPFC, the SRF method is also proposed as a detection and determination method.

IV. DPFC OPERATING PRINCIPLE

Active power exchange with eliminated DC link

Within the DPFC, the transmission line presents a common connection between the AC ports of the shunt and the series converters. Therefore, it is possible to exchange active power through the AC ports. The method is based on power theory of non-sinusoidal components. According to the Fourier analysis, non-sinusoidal voltage and current can be expressed as the sum of sinusoidal functions in different frequencies with different amplitudes.

The active power resulting from this non-sinusoidal voltage and current is defined as the mean value of the product of voltage and current. Since the integrals of all the cross product of terms with different frequencies are zero, the active power can be expressed by:

\[ P = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} V_i I_i \cos \phi_i \]  

(1)

Where \( V_i \) and \( I_i \) are the voltage and current at the \( i^{th} \) harmonic frequency respectively, and \( \phi_i \) is the corresponding angle between the voltage and current. Equation (1) shows that the active powers at different frequencies are independent from each other and the voltage or current at one frequency has no influence on the active power at other frequencies. The independence of the active power at different frequencies gives the possibility that a converter without a power source can generate active power at one frequency and absorb this power from other frequencies.

By applying this method to the DPFC, the shunt converter
can absorb active power from the grid at the fundamental frequency and inject the power back at a harmonic frequency. This harmonic active power flows through a transmission line equipped with series converters. According to the amount of required active power at the fundamental frequency, the DPFC series converters generate a voltage at the harmonic frequency, thereby absorbing the active power from harmonic components. Neglecting losses, the active power generated at the fundamental frequency is equal to the power absorbed at the harmonic frequency. For a better understanding, Figure 4 indicates how the active power is exchanged between the shunt and the series converters in the DPFC system. The high-pass filter within the DPFC blocks the fundamental frequency components and allows the harmonic components to pass, thereby providing a return path for the harmonic components. The shunt and series converters, the high-pass filter and the ground form a closed loop for the harmonic current.

DPFC Control
To control multiple converters, a DPFC consists of three types of controllers: central control, shunt control and series control, as shown in Figure.

V. SIMULATION & RESULTS

There is 3-phase fault created in the three phase system which creates voltage sag problem in this system. The three phase fault is operated and controlled through external timer signal. The Simulation of this model shows that voltage sag condition occurs at input side and the point of common coupling.

Fig. 4 Active power exchange between DPFC converters

Fig. 5 DPFC control block diagram

The shunt and series control are localized controllers and are responsible for maintaining their own converters’ parameters. The central control takes care of the DPFC functions at the power system level. The function of each controller is listed:

Central control: The central control generates the reference signals for both the shunt and series converters of the DPFC. Its control function depends on the specifics of the DPFC application at the power system level, such as power flow control, low frequency power oscillation damping and balancing of asymmetrical components.

Series control: Each series converter has its own series control. The controller is used to maintain the capacitor DC voltage of its own converter, by using 3rd harmonic frequency components, in addition to generating series voltage at the fundamental frequency as required by the central control.

Shunt control: The objective of the shunt control is to inject a constant 3rd harmonic current into the line to supply active power for the series converters. At the same time, it maintains the capacitor DC voltage of the shunt converter at a constant value by absorbing active power from the grid at the fundamental frequency and injecting the required reactive current at the fundamental frequency into the grid.

Fig. 6 Voltage Sag condition in 3-phase system

Fig. 7 Waveform of Voltage Sag at PCC (Point of Common Coupling) point
Above figure shows that voltage sag is occurs in the interval of 0.3 to 0.5.

Above figure shows that voltage magnitude is reduced to below 6kv during voltage sag condition.

MATLAB simulation of voltage sag mitigation using DPFC.

In the above fig.9 its show the voltage sag mitigation using DPFC. There two converters are used in the circuit. 1) Shunt converter 2) series converter. Shunt converter is used to mitigate the currents related problem and series converter is used to mitigate the voltage related problem. Shunt converter is connected to the grid and series converter is connected in individual phases. In source subsystem we are using timer based voltage source and in series subsystem we are using the capacitor and it working with his charging and discharging principle. V-I measurement is connected to measure the source side voltage. From the source side shunt converter is connected. Three phase is connected to delta-star transformer converter is used to converter the AC to DC. PWM is connected to the converter to control or give appropriate widths which require mitigating the current related problem. So to maintain the continue power shunt converter is connected to the grid. Sequence analyzer is used to maintain the positive sequence, negative sequence and zero sequence of current. PLL block is use for the angular frequency. Then 3 phase quantity is convert into the d-q quantity. After generating id,iq and vd,vq its will convert into the 3 phase (a,b,c). Again PWM is generating the pulses to mitigate the voltage sag problem.

PLL LOOP CONTROL (Phase Locked Loop control)

Here phase detector will compare input frequency and feedback frequency and after that it will generate Ver (error voltage) which is DC voltage that DC voltage goes in to low pass filter so LPF removes high frequency noise and
produces steady DC level. That steady DC voltage level pass through voltage controlled oscillator (vco) and so that output frequency directly proportional to input signal and it try to do equal input and output frequency.

PI CONTROL (Proportional Integral Control)
A PI controller which continuously calculates an error value as the difference between a desired set point (sp) and a measured process variable (pv) and applies a correction based on proportional and integral terms. The PI controller is the sum of the instantaneous error values over the time and gives the accumulated offset that should have been corrected previously. The controller (an analogue/digital circuit, and software), is trying to keep the controlled variable such as temperature, liquid level, motor velocity, robot joint angle, at a certain value called the set point (sp).

A feedback control system does this by looking at the error (E) signal, which is the difference between where the controlled variable (called the process variable (PV)) is, and where it should be.

Based upon the error signal, the controller decides the magnitude and the direction of the signal to the output. Proportional (P) accounts for the present values of the (sp-pv), if the error is the large and positive. Then proportional control alone will always have an error between the set point and the actual process value because it requires the error to generate the proportional response if there is no error no response. Integral control (I) accounts for the past values of (sp-pv) and integrates them over the time to produce the I term and it will add the error value (sp-pv) until it gets the proper output.
Fig. 17 constant output voltage after using DPFC in time 0.5 to 1 sec.

Here in the simulation we are taking the total time of 1.5 seconds and taking the waveforms of sag and its mitigation with different time limits and the voltages are pu voltages. First the sag due to fault is in the time between 0.3 to 0.5 seconds and source voltage dip is in the time of 0.7 to 0.9 seconds. Sag condition is mitigated by DPFC device and we get the constant voltage output waveform.

VI. CONCLUSION

The power quality enhancement of the power transmission systems is a vital issue in power industry. In this study, the application of DPFC as a new FACTS device in the voltage sag and swell mitigation of a system composed of a three-phase source connected to a R-L load through the parallel transmission lines is simulated in Matlab/Simulink environment. The voltage dip is analyzed by implementing a three-phase fault close to the system load. The obtained simulation results show the voltage sag. We can mitigate the voltage sag and swell problem using DPFC device in this project and shows that which device is better for those power quality problems.

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