

Passivity Based Power Control of Three-Phase Three-Switch Vienna Rectifier

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Abstract. Power Euler-Lagrange(EL) mathematical model of three-phase three-switch Vienna rectifier is set up in synchronous rotation dq coordinate system based on its topological structure. According to power EL mathematical model and passivity of Vienna rectifier, passivity based power controller is designed by damping injecting. The passivity based power controller can make power error storage function to zero quickly, so that desired equilibrium point, such as unity power factor, low AC current harmonic and constant DC voltage is realized. Dynamic decoupling between active and reactive power is obtained because of passivity based power controller, and Vienna rectifier possess good dynamic and stable performances. Simulation results under different load show that passivity based power control of Vienna rectifier is feasible.

Introduction

Three-level Vienna rectifier is characterized by low switching frequency, high input power factor, low device voltage stress, high power density, sinusoidal input current, high reliability and small size inductance, etc, which make it a suitable topology for medium- and high-power applications with high power density and new energy fields^[1]. Simultaneously, Vienna rectifier could still work under unbalanced power grid and default phase, which has increasingly aroused great concern among home and overseas scholars. If the topological structure is known, performance largely depends on control strategy and PWM modulation method. Due to it, control strategies become a interested topic in the study of Vienna rectifier. Passive control theory^[2] start with system energy, study how to control system energy and achieve the control purpose. Then it is feasible to achieve global stability without singularity problem. This method has strong robustness for varying parameters and external disturbance, and it is a nonlinear control method in nature. So Vienna rectifier control strategy based on passive control was researched in [3]. This paper studies three-switch Vienna rectifier ,and passivity based power controller is proposed for the first time, which can realize dynamic decoupling between active power and reactive power and obtain an excellent dynamic and stable performance. Passivity based power control strategy of three-phase three-switch Vienna rectifier can be expanded to other types Vienna rectifiers.

Circuit topology and switch state of Vienna rectifier

The power circuit topology of three-phase three-switch Vienna rectifier is shown in Fig.1. For example, if the switch $T_a(T_a=1)$ is on, phase leg A will be clamped to the dc-link neutral point. If o is the reference point, u_{ao} will be 0. If $T_a(T_a = 0)$ is off and the phase current i_a is positive, u_{ao} will be u_{C1} . Similarly, if $T_a(T_a = 0)$ is off and i_a is negative, u_{ao} will be $-u_{C2}$. Phase leg A can get three levels such as u_{C1} 、0、 $-u_{C2}$, The same operation principle applies to phase B and phase C.

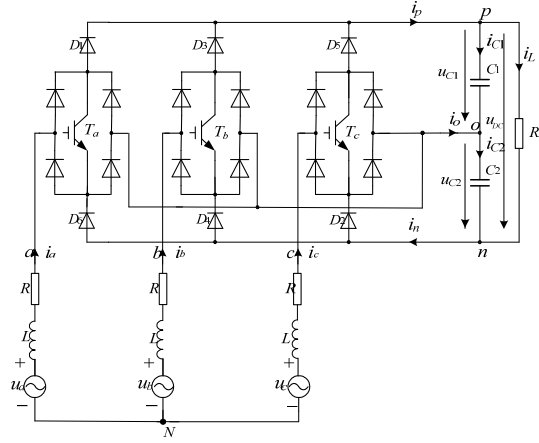


Fig.1 Power circuit of Vienna rectifier

The switch function of VIENNA rectifier is provided as follows:

$$S_k = \begin{cases} +1 & T_k = 0, i_k > 0 \\ 0 & T_k = 1 \\ -1 & T_k = 0, i_k < 0 \end{cases} \quad k = a, b, c \quad (1)$$

Power mathematical model of Vienna rectifier

The Mathematical Model of the System. Considering that three-phase power supply are balanced, the mathematical model of Vienna rectifier in the three-phase abc coordinates has been discussed in [3] and [4], and its model is very complex. To simplify the model and its controller design, mathematical model in the three-phase abc coordinates can be written as

$$\begin{cases} L \frac{di_a}{dt} + Ri_a + \frac{1}{2} S_a u_{DC} [1 + \text{sgn}(i_a) \frac{\Delta u_{DC}}{u_{DC}}] - u_{NO} = u_a \\ L \frac{di_b}{dt} + Ri_b + \frac{1}{2} S_b u_{DC} [1 + \text{sgn}(i_b) \frac{\Delta u_{DC}}{u_{DC}}] - u_{NO} = u_b \\ L \frac{di_c}{dt} + Ri_c + \frac{1}{2} S_c u_{DC} [1 + \text{sgn}(i_c) \frac{\Delta u_{DC}}{u_{DC}}] - u_{NO} = u_c \\ C \frac{du_{DC}}{dt} + \frac{2u_{DC}}{R_L} - S_a i_a - S_b i_b - S_c i_c = 0 \\ C \frac{d\Delta u_{DC}}{dt} = S_a i_a \text{sgn}(i_a) + S_b i_b \text{sgn}(i_b) + S_c i_c \text{sgn}(i_c) \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

Where u_{NO} is the voltage across the neutral point of the dc-link and the neutral point of the three-phase input voltage; When $i_k > 0$, $\text{sgn}(i_k) = 1$; $i_k < 0$, $\text{sgn}(i_k) = -1$, $k = a, b, c$; $\Delta u_{DC} = u_{C1} - u_{C2}$.

Define $d_k = S_k [1 + \frac{\Delta u_{DC}}{u_{DC}} \text{sign}(i_k)]$ as a new switch function, considering that $\frac{\Delta u_{DC}}{u_{DC}} \ll 1$, the following transformation is proposed:

$$\begin{cases} d_k [1 - \frac{\Delta u_{DC}}{u_{DC}} \text{sign}(i_k)] \approx S_k \\ d_k [\text{sign}(i_k) - \frac{\Delta u_{DC}}{u_{DC}}] \approx S_k \text{sign}(i_k) \end{cases} \quad (3)$$

Such that, substitute the formula (3) into formula (2), as follows

$$\begin{cases} L \frac{di_a}{dt} + Ri_a + \frac{1}{2} d_a u_{DC} - u_{NO} = u_a \\ L \frac{di_b}{dt} + Ri_b + \frac{1}{2} d_b u_{DC} - u_{NO} = u_b \\ L \frac{di_c}{dt} + Ri_c + \frac{1}{2} d_c u_{DC} - u_{NO} = u_c \\ C \frac{du_{DC}}{dt} + \frac{2u_{DC}}{R_L} = \sum_{k=a,b,c} d_k [1 - \frac{\Delta u_{DC}}{u_{DC}} \text{sign}(i_k)] i_k \\ C \frac{d\Delta u_{DC}}{dt} = \sum_{k=a,b,c} d_k [\text{sign}(i_k) - \frac{\Delta u_{DC}}{u_{DC}}] i_k \end{cases} \quad (4)$$

Transform the mathematical model of the abc coordinate frame into a two-phase synchronous rotating d - q coordinate frame, the d - q mathematical model can be described as

$$\begin{cases} L \frac{di_d}{dt} - \omega L i_q + Ri_d + \frac{1}{2} d_d u_{DC} = u_d \\ L \frac{di_q}{dt} + \omega L i_d + Ri_q + \frac{1}{2} d_q u_{DC} = u_q \\ C \frac{du_{DC}}{dt} + \frac{2u_{DC}}{R_L} = \frac{3}{2} (d_d i_d + d_q i_q) \\ C \frac{d\Delta u_{DC}}{dt} = \alpha d_0 i_d \end{cases} \quad (5)$$

Where $\alpha = 2/\pi$, i_d , i_q are the currents on the d axis and q axis respectively; u_d , u_q are the voltage on the d axis and q axis respectively; d_d , d_q , d_0 are components of switching function on d -, q and 0 axis respectively.

Power mathematical model. Under three-phase balanced power supply, the instantaneous active power is $p = 1.5 u_d i_d$, reactive power is $q = 1.5 u_d i_q$. Thus power mathematical model can be get as follows which use p -, q -, u_{DC} -, Δu_{DC} as state-variable.

$$\begin{cases} \frac{2}{3} L \frac{dp}{dt} - \frac{2}{3} \omega L q + \frac{2}{3} R p + u_d d_d \frac{u_{DC}}{2} = u_d^2 \\ \frac{2}{3} L \frac{dq}{dt} + \frac{2}{3} \omega L p + \frac{2}{3} R q + u_d d_q \frac{u_{DC}}{2} = u_d u_q \\ \frac{u_d^2 C}{2} \frac{du_{DC}}{dt} + \frac{u_d^2 u_{DC}}{R_L} - \frac{1}{2} u_d d_d p - \frac{1}{2} u_d d_q q = 0 \\ \frac{u_d^2 C}{2} \frac{d\Delta u_{DC}}{dt} = d_0 \frac{\alpha p u_d}{3} \end{cases} \quad (6)$$

Substitute the formula (6) into power EL form

$$\mathbf{M}\dot{\mathbf{x}} + \mathbf{J}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{R}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{u} \quad (7)$$

Where

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2}{3}L & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{2}{3}L & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{u_d^2 L}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{u_d^2 C}{2} \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{J} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\frac{2}{3}\omega L & \frac{u_d d_d}{2} & 0 \\ \frac{2}{3}\omega L & 0 & \frac{u_d d_q}{2} & 0 \\ -\frac{u_d d_d}{2} & -\frac{u_d d_q}{2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{R} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2R}{3} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{2R}{3} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{u_d^2}{R_L} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{x} = (p \quad q \quad u_{DC} \quad \Delta u_{DC})^T, \mathbf{J} = -\mathbf{J}^T, \mathbf{u} = (u_d^2 \quad u_d u_q \quad 0 \quad d_0 \alpha p u_d / 3)^T$$

The Design of Passivity based power Controller

The Desired Point of Stable Equilibrium. Set the desired equilibrium point are \mathbf{x}^* , In order to meet unit power factor and low alternating current harmonic, $p \rightarrow p^*$ -, $q \rightarrow q^* = 0$ and u_{DC} should be

stable in the desired value u_{DC}^* ($u_{DC}^* > \sqrt{3} u_d$). Substitute these values into equation (6), p^* can be described as

$$p^* = \frac{3 u_d^2}{4 R} - \sqrt{\left(\frac{3 u_d^2}{4 R}\right)^2 - \frac{3 u_d^2 u_{DC}^{*2}}{2 R_L R}} \quad (8)$$

where $R_L = \frac{u_{DC}}{i_L}$.

The Design of power Controller. Set $x_e = x - x^*$ and the error storage function as $H_e(x) = \frac{1}{2} x_e^T M x_e$. In order to accelerate the error energy to zero, the damping $R_a = \text{diag}(r_{a1} \ r_{a2} \ r_{a3} \ r_{a4})$ is inject into the system, set $R_d x_e = (R + R_a) x_e$, the formula (7) can be described as

$$M \dot{x}_e + R_d x_e = u - (M \dot{x}^* + J x + R x^* - R_a x_e) \quad (9)$$

The passive-based controller^[5] can be written as

$$u = M \dot{x}^* + J x + R x^* - R_a x_e \quad (10)$$

Considering the formula (10) and $M \dot{x}^* = 0$, then we can get the switch function corresponding to power controller.

$$\begin{cases} d_d = \frac{2[3u_d^2 + 2\omega Lq - 2Rp^* + 3r_{a1}(p - p^*)]}{3u_d u_{DC}} \\ d_q = \frac{2[-2\omega Lp + 3r_{a2}q]}{3u_d u_{DC}} \\ d_0 = \frac{-3r_{a4}\Delta u_{DC}}{\alpha p u_d} \end{cases} \quad (11)$$

Combined with the power controller, we get the overall control diagram in Fig.2 of the control system:

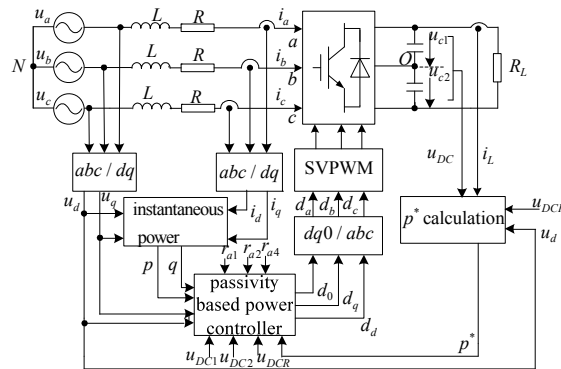


Fig.2 Control block diagram of Vienna rectifier

Simulation results and discussion

The system is simulated in MATLAB/simulink environment. According to Fig.2, formula (8) and formula (11), we establish the Vienna rectifier passive power control model. Simulation parameters are shown in table 1.

Table1 simulation parameter

parameters	numerical value
grid RMS voltage U	220[V]
frequency f	50[Hz]
DC voltage U_{DC}^*	700[V]
output capacitor C	2200[μF]
input inductance L	5[mH]
Switching frequency f_s	10[kHz]
rated load R_L	50[Ω]

Simulation results under $R_L=50\Omega$. To reflect the dynamic response of Vienna rectifier, the simulation is carried on from zero state to steady state. The simulation results is shown in Fig.3.

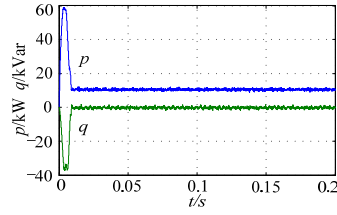


Fig.3 (a) Active p and reactive q

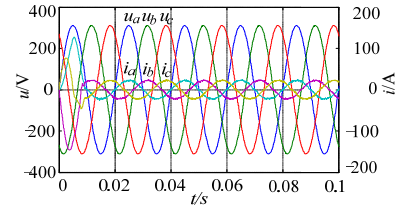


Fig.3 (b) Three-phase AC voltage and current

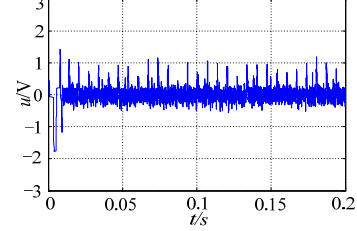
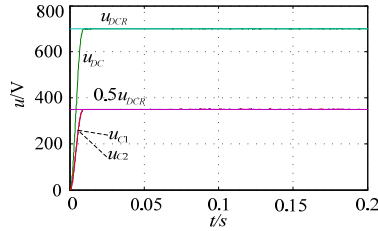


Fig.3 (c) DC desired voltage and output voltage Fig.3 (d) neutral-point voltage fluctuation

From Fig.3, we observe that DC voltage has entered a steady state at 0.01 s, and startup time of alternating current is 0.007s. The system maintains the synchronisation of the input current and input voltage in steady state, THD=3.26% and average reactive power to 0. The system achieve unit power factor, and neutral instantaneous voltage fluctuates around 1V. These data above suggest that rectifier has reached the expected control goal, and has a good dynamic and stable performance.

Simulation results under $R_L=80\Omega$. In the case of light load (load resistance changed from 50Ω to 80Ω at the time of 0.08s~0.1s), simulation results is shown in Fig.4. The Fig.4 shows that active power fast track the change during light load disturbance. Reactive power, DC voltage has changed little, and the system achieve unit power factor. DC-link voltage balancing is get better.

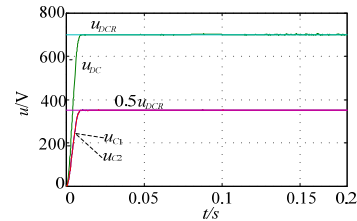
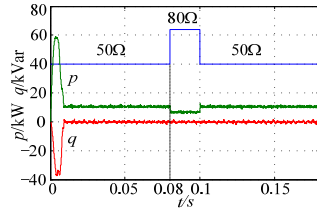


Fig.4 (a) Active p and reactive q Fig.4 (b) DC desired voltage and output voltage

Simulation results under $R_L=20\Omega$. In the case of overload (load resistance changed from 50Ω to 20Ω at the time of 0.08s~0.1s), simulation results is shown in Fig.5. The Fig.5 shows that active power fast track the change of the load during overload disturbance. Reactive power did not change, and achieve unit power factor. 20V fluctuation appear, then stable in 700V. DC-link voltage balancing is get better.

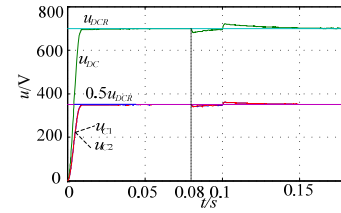
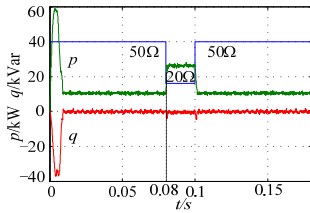


Fig.5 (a) Active p and reactive q Fig.5 (b) DC desired voltage and output voltage

The simulation results show that passivity based power controller can make the Vienna rectifier obtain a good dynamic and stable performance, especially the introduction of d_0 , obtain a good dc-link voltage balance.

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