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Electrical Damping Assessment and Stability Considerations for a Highly Electrified Liquefied Natural Gas Plant

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Abstract: In recent years, the Oil & Gas industry has been subjected to a progressive electrification process aiming to comply with global environmental requirements on CO₂ emissions reduction. High-power electric motors fed by Variable Frequency Drives (VFDs) have replaced gas turbines as drivers for gas compression applications. In Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) plants, unexpected downturns could be experienced in case of high torsional vibrations of power generations units. These torsional vibrations derive from the interaction among turbine-generator (TG) units and VFDs and are known as Sub-Synchronous Torsional Interactions (SSTIs). SSTIs can lead to instability when the overall electromechanical system lacks sufficient damping. In this scenario, electrical damping assessment is fundamental in order to ensure stability and reliable operation of an LNG plant. Negative electrical damping is strictly related to the negative incremental resistance behavior of the power converters and it is influenced by the converter's control system. In this paper, a real case study based on Thyristor Variable Frequency Drives (TVFDs) is considered. Ad hoc dynamic models of the power converters and of the TG unit are developed and combined in order to provide an accurate estimation of the electrical damping. It is demonstrated that the electrical damping is affected by variations of the main control system parameters and how the use of a simplified model instead of an ad hoc model can impact the stability evaluation.

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1. Introduction

The energy industry is today accelerating the transition to a low-carbon future to meet global environmental requirements. In this context, a more efficient operation of Oil & Gas plants is essential, and this cannot overlook a structured electrification process. With specific reference to the midstream segment, large electric motors fed by Variable Frequency Drives (VFDs) are thus more and more adopted in lieu of heavy-duty Gas Turbines (GTs) as drivers for gas compression applications, typically powered by local electrical grids. In this scenario, considering the power size of Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) plants, Thyristor Variable Frequency Drives (TVFDs) are often adopted [1]. A preliminary study about the interactions among Turbine-Generator (TG) units and TVFDs in island-operated grids is presented in [2]. The aim is to identify proper plant operations without unexpected downturns due to excessive torsional vibrations of the power generation units. The torsional vibrations, derived from TG and TVFD interactions, are known as Sub-Synchronous

Torsional Interactions (SSTIs) [3,4]. In LNG plants, the SSTI phenomena represent a challenge for the power system stability and could overcome the admissible fatigue life limits of TG shaft-lines.

Limited literature has been published about SSTI phenomena in LNG plants [5–8]. Differently, numerous studies can be found on SSTI for High Voltage Direct Current (HVDC) applications [9–13]. In this context, SSTI is categorized as the evolution of the Sub-Synchronous Resonance (SSR) phenomenon [14–18]. In [19–21], the plant torsional stability in the presence of SSR phenomena is assessed by means of eigenvalues and eigenvectors. Oscillatory stability is verified if all the torsional modes have positive damping.

In [3,22], it is demonstrated how power converters can modify the damping of TG units modes. The analysis is provided in the case of a stiff network, but it has to be highlighted that LNG plants are typically island-operated grids where large TVFDs are fed by a few TG units. In [23], a similar analysis is provided for an island-operated grid.

VFDs can operate in various frequency regions as electrical circuits with negative resistance. Depending on the control system, this operation can be verified in the region corresponding to the TG sub-synchronous frequencies. Negative resistance implies negative electrical damping, but the electrical damping contributes to the overall damping of the combined electromechanical system. If negative electrical damping is measured around the TG torsional natural frequencies (TNFs), instability can be verified [3,24].

Commonly in the LNG industry, accurate models of the power converters are generally not included in the overall plant stability analysis. The power conversion stage is taken into account through an average model where only the passive components of the circuits are considered, as in [13,25]. On the contrary, independent of the specific application, small-signal analysis allows us to achieve dynamic models of the power system for fair stability assessment in the case of weak grids [26,27]. In this paper, an ad-hoc state-space dynamic model of a combined electromechanical system is developed. A TG shaft-line lumped parameter model is obtained using the modal analysis theory described in [28,29] in order to identify the Torsional Natural Frequencies (TNFs) and the mechanical damping relative to these frequencies. Small-signal analysis is used to determine a detailed dynamic state-space model of the TVFD and of the electrical generator with the aim to provide an accurate evaluation of the electrical damping of an LNG plant. The dynamic state-space model of the TVFD reproduces exactly the real operation of the power conversion stage in the time domain and the power electronics devices commutation.

Comparing the dynamic state-space model with a simplified average mode, it is possible to demonstrate that the use of a simplified model of the TVFD leads to underrate the current oscillations due to the SSTI phenomena and, as a consequence, it could impact the stability assessment.

The rest of the paper is organized as follows: in Section 2 the considered case study is presented; in Section 3 the sub-synchronous torsional interaction phenomena are discussed; Section 4 deals with the dynamic state-space model of the TVFD, while Section 5 deals with the TG unit model; the combined electromechanical model is shown in Section 6, the electrical damping assessment and some stability considerations are presented in the same section; finally Section 7 concludes the paper with some remarks.

2. Case Study

VFDs for LNG applications can be based on thyristors or IGBTs. In the case of very high power plants, the power conversion stage is generally based on thyristors. Starting from a real industrial LNG plant, the considered case study is presented in Figure 1. Looking at the LNG plant, a gas turbine generator unit is connected to the Point of Common Coupling (PCC). The PCC is connected to a synchronous Motor (M) and to a lumped load. The synchronous motor is supplied by a TVFD. M is connected to a compression train and it acts as starter and helper motor, allowing the start-up of the entire train and providing additional power when required by the gas process. The compression train is composed of two Centrifugal Compressor (CCs) and a GT as in [1]. The TVFD shown in Figure 1 is composed of two Line-Commutated-Converters (LCCs). The LCCs are based on 6-pulse H-Bridges. The first stage of each LCC is a line-commutated-rectifier (LCR) operating at the grid frequency f_n .

The second stage of each LCC is a Load-Commutated-Inverter (LCI) whose fundamental frequency is the motor frequency f_m . In the considered power stage, the firing angle of each LCR is controlled by a current control loop; differently it is assumed that the firing angles of the LCIs are constant. The main parameters of the TG unit and of the TVFD are reported in Table 1.

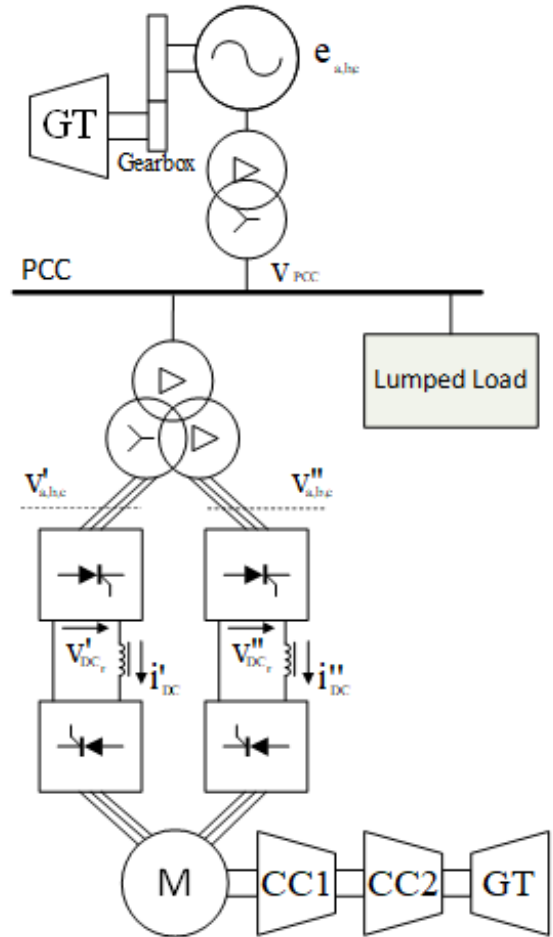


Figure 1. Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) plant configuration.

3. Sub-Synchronous Torsional Interaction Phenomena

TG units connected to a stiff electrical grid are typically unaffected by transient events acting on the grid (e.g., load steps or large motor start-up). Differently, in island-operated grids, an electrical disturbance might have enough energy to propagate through the grid, becoming a mechanical excitation for the turbine-generator shaft [4,5].

Figure 2 shows a simplified representation of the SSTI onset where current disturbances Δi are transformed into air gap torque disturbances ΔT_{AGT} for the electrical TG. In the case of transient events, such as load variation or motor start-up, other disturbances (denoted as ΔT_T) occur and their interaction with the air gap torque disturbances ΔT_{AGT} creates the overall torque disturbances ΔT . Torque disturbances imply torsional speed oscillations $\Delta \omega$ of the TG units. Finally, torsional oscillations provide voltage oscillations in the grid denoted as ΔV_{PCC} . The VFD connected between the PCC of the grid and the Motor (M) transforms the voltage variations (at its input) in current variations Δi (at its output). The loop resulting from the described phenomena can be stable when the torsional vibrations on the TG unit naturally damp following the transient event. The loop can be unstable when such vibrations keep increasing over time with insufficient or negative damping [9,11].

Table 1. TG and TVFD parameters.

| Electrical Parameters | Value | Unit |
|--|--------------------|------|
| TG rated power | 44 | MVA |
| TG rated line to line voltage | 11 | KV |
| TG rated frequency | 50 | Hz |
| TG 1 st TNF | 9.2 | Hz |
| Synchronous generator stator resistance (R_a) | 0.0024 | pu |
| Synchronous generator field and damper circuit resistances (R'_{fd} , R'_{kd} and R'_{kq}) | 0.0006, 0.04, 0.02 | pu |
| Synchronous generator d-q axes magnetizing inductance (L_{ad} and L_{aq}) | 1.63, 0.81 | pu |
| Synchronous generator winding leakage inductance (L_l) | 0.1 | pu |
| Synchronous generator field and damper circuit inductances (L'_{fd} , L'_{kd} and L'_{kq}) | 0.14, 0.08, 0.14 | pu |
| TVFD rated power (A_n) | 17.4 | MVA |
| TVFD rated voltage (v_n) | 4.75 | kV |
| Grid frequency | 50 | Hz |
| Grid line to line voltage (v_{dq}) | 1 | pu |
| DC-links resistance (R_{DC}) | 0.0057 | pu |
| DC-links inductance (L_{DC}) | 0.8480 | pu |
| DC-links mutual inductance (L_m) | -0.5088 | pu |
| Controller Parameter | Value | Unit |
| Current controller proportional gain K_p | 0.22 | pu |
| Current controller integral time constant | 0.025 | s |
| PLL Cut-off frequency | 1.4 | Hz |
| AVR filter parameters (K_r, T_r) | 197,188 | pu |
| AVR proportional gain K_{AVRP} | 0.12 | pu |
| AVR integral time constant T_{AVRI} | 8 | s |

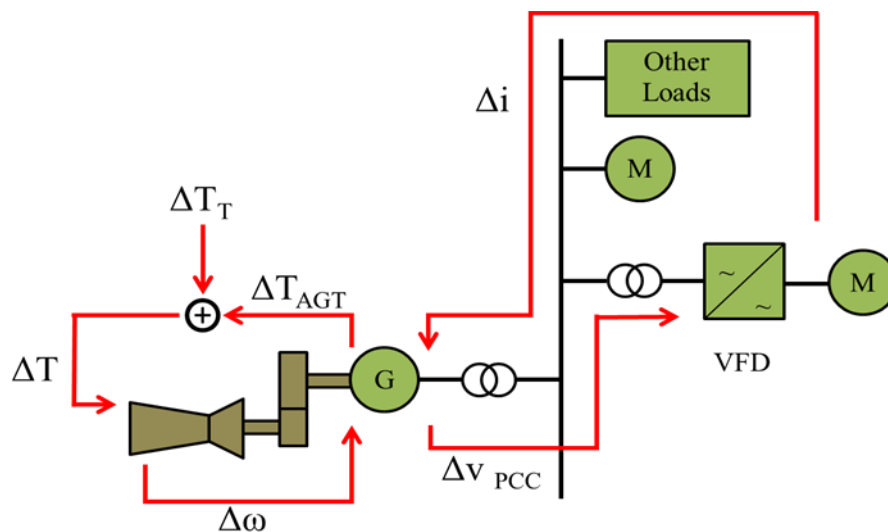


Figure 2. Sub-Synchronous Torsional Interaction (SSTI) Phenomena Onset.

The overall damping of each TG unit supplying an island-operated grid is the sum of the shaft-line inherent mechanical damping plus the electrical damping resulting from the above-mentioned electro-mechanical loop [24]. Denoted as $\xi_e(f_n)$, the electrical damping at a certain Torsional Natural Frequency (TNF) f_n , ξ_e depends on the air gap torque oscillation at the same TNF ($\Delta T_{AGT}(f_n)$) and the corresponding speed oscillation ($\Delta\omega(f_n)$):

$$\xi_e(f_n) = -\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{\Delta T_{AGT}(f_n)}{\Delta\omega(f_n)} \right\} \quad (1)$$

The mechanical damping is passive, and it depends on the sole characteristic of the turbine-generator shaft line [28]. The mechanical damping is a positive number at all frequencies [28,29]. Differently, the electrical damping ξ_e can be positive or negative and, in the last condition, it decreases the overall damping. Negative electrical damping is due to the negative incremental resistance behavior of the power converter's impedance and it is influenced by the converter's control structure [3]. Instability is achieved when the amplitude of the electrical damping is negative and its value is greater than the mechanical damping value. According to the Nyquist criterion, the closed-loop system shown in Figure 2 is asymptotically stable only in the case where the overall damping is positive.

4. Model and Control of the Thyristor Variable Frequency Drive

In this section, the small-signal dynamic model of the TVFD is provided. Figure 3 presents only the first power conversion stage of the overall TVFD, supplied by a step-up transformer with two secondary windings. The overall TVFD is composed of two branches whose DC-links are connected through a mutual inductance L_m . In each branch, there is an LCR. The LCRs are assumed to be equal, and the DC-links can be modeled considering their resistance R_{DC} and inductance L_{DC} connected in series and taking into account the mutual coupling. The power conversion stage shown in Figure 3 operates on the whole as a 12-pulse rectifier. The voltages V'_{DC_i} and V''_{DC_i} denote the DC-link output voltages and the input voltages of the LCIs which represent the second power conversion stage of the overall TVFD (Figure 1).

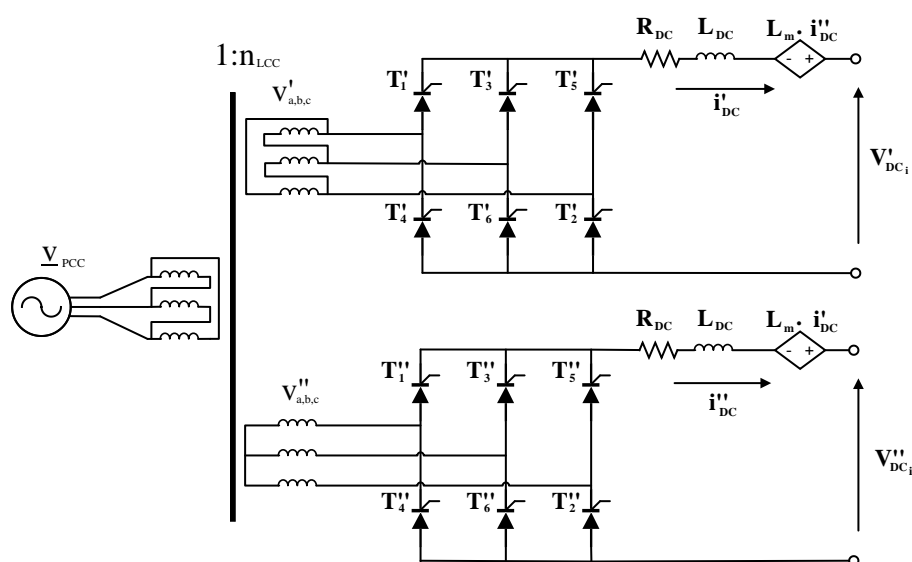


Figure 3. First power conversion stage of the overall thyristor variable frequency drive (TVFD).

The control system of the first power conversion stage of the overall TFVD is represented in Figure 4. The overall power provided by the system is regulated by controlling the current by means of two PI controllers, one for each LCR. The PI controllers determine the firing angles of the LCRs denoted as α' for the first LCR and α'' for the second LCR. Besides, two Phase-Locked Loops (PLLs)

have to guarantee the synchronization with the grid voltages [30,31]. As a consequence, the firing angles provided to the LCRs are the sum of α' and α'' plus α_{err}' and α_{err}'' which represent the contribution of the PLLs. It has to be highlighted that the same PLL operations are affected by the grid voltage fluctuations which are caused by the grid current variations. Besides, as described in the previous section, it is assumed that the second power conversion stage, which consists of two LCIs, operates with constant firing angles.

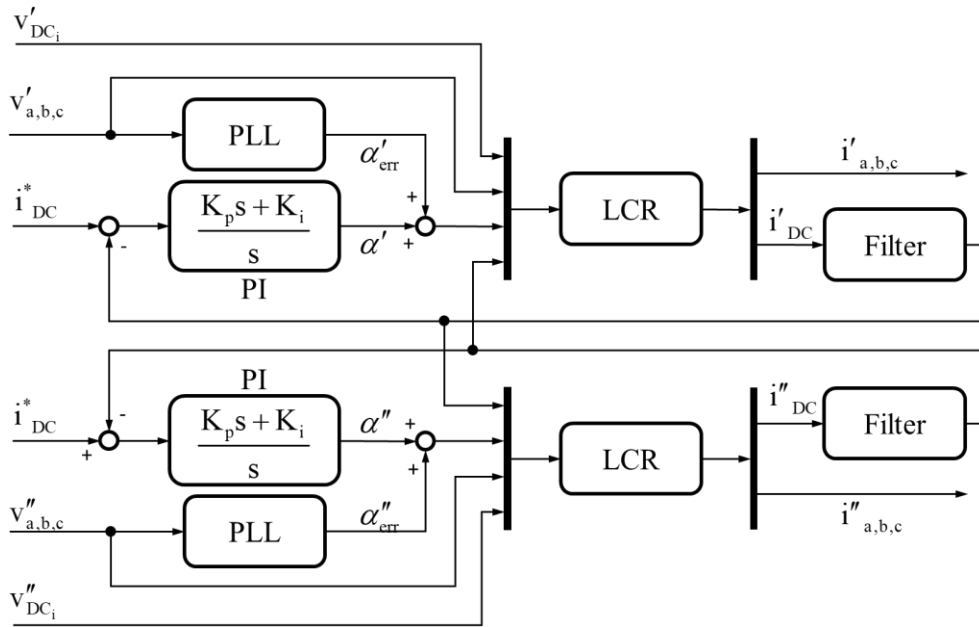
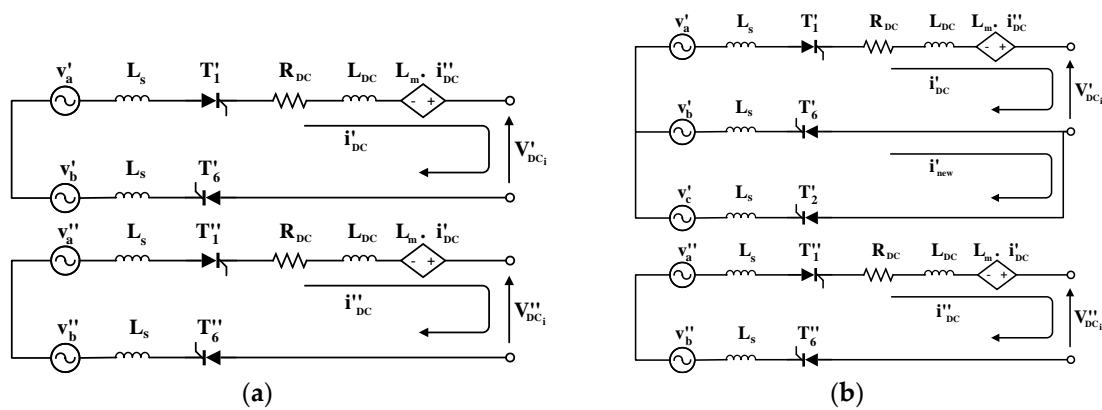


Figure 4. Control system of the TVFD first power conversion stage.

4.1. Small-Signal Model of the AC/DC Power Conversion Stage

In [32], the small-signal model of a 6-pulse H-Bridge rectifier is presented. The same approach is extended to develop the small-signal model of the AC/DC power conversion stage of the TVFD.

As described before, the AC/DC power conversion stage consists of two LCRs which operate overall as a 12-pulse rectifier. Considering, for example, the commutation among the couples of thyristors T'_6, T'_1 and T''_1, T''_2 for the first LCR and the couples T''_6, T''_1 and T''_1, T''_2 for the second LCR, the operation of the 12-pulse rectifier can be divided into five stages. Considering the magnetic coupling between the first and the second LCR, the equivalent circuit for each stage is shown in Figure 5. The same analysis could be applied to all the other thyristors couples in the case of commutation to describe the complete operation of the 12-pulse rectifier in a period of the supplying voltage.



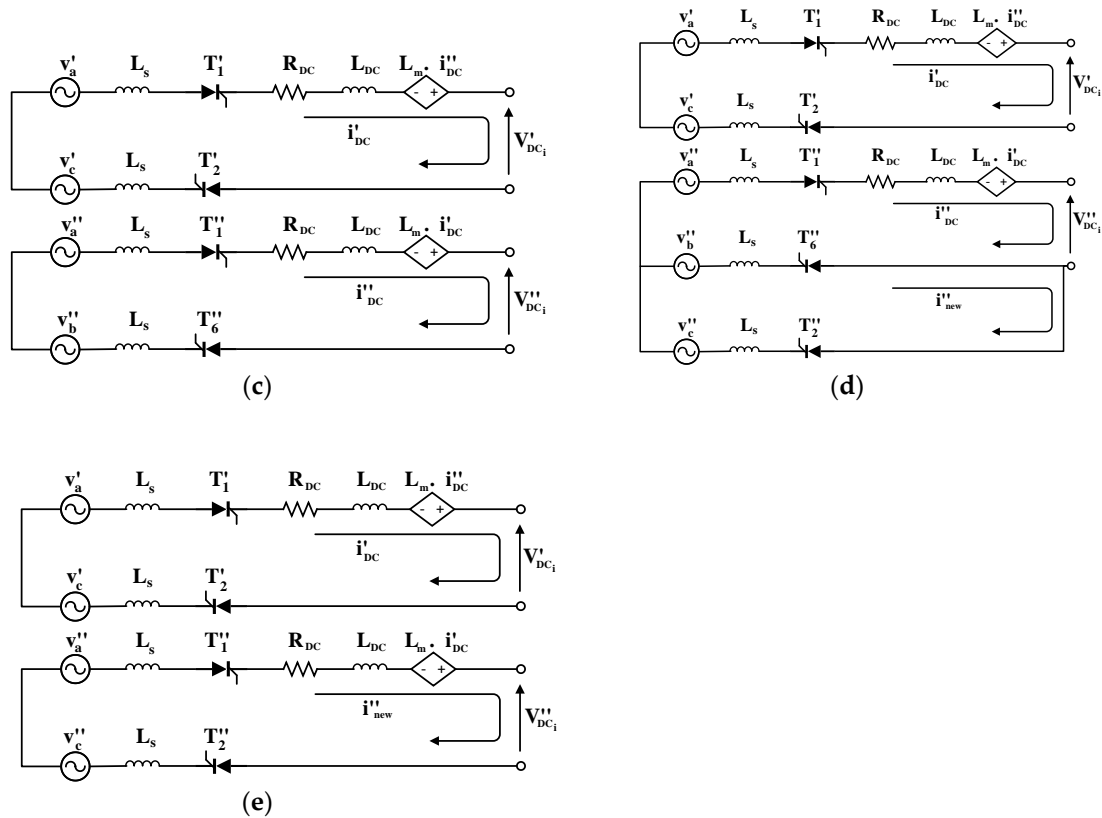


Figure 5. 12-pulse rectifier equivalent circuit: (a) before commutation; (b) commutation in the first LCR; (c) after commutation in the first LCR; (d) commutation in the second LCR; (e) completed commutation.

On the basis of the Kirchoff laws and according to Figure 5a, when thyristors T_6 and T_1 of each LCR are in conduction mode,

$$\underline{X}_1 = [i'_{DC} \quad i''_{DC}]^T, \tag{2}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \underline{X}_1 = A_1 \underline{X}_1 + B_{abc1} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} F_1 \cdot P(\theta) \\ F_1 \cdot P(\theta - \pi/6) \end{bmatrix} \cdot \underline{v}_{dq} + B_{DC1} \cdot V_{DCi}, \tag{3}$$

with

$$Q_1 = \frac{1}{L_{DC}^2 + 4L_{DC} \cdot L_s - L_m^2 + 4L_s^2},$$

$$A_1 = Q_1 \cdot \begin{bmatrix} -R_{DC} \cdot (L_{DC} + 2L_s) & L_m \cdot R_{DC} \\ L_m \cdot R_{DC} & -R_{DC} \cdot (L_{DC} + 2L_s) \end{bmatrix},$$

$$B_{abc1} = Q_1 \cdot \begin{bmatrix} L_{DC} + 2L_s & -L_m \\ -L_m & L_{DC} + 2L_s \end{bmatrix}, \quad B_{DC1} = Q_1 \cdot \begin{bmatrix} -(L_{DC} + 2L_s) & L_m \\ L_m & -(L_{DC} + 2L_s) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$F_1 = [1 \quad -1 \quad 0],$$

where the vector of the DC-link currents is indicated as \underline{X}_1 ; R_{DC} , L_{DC} , and L_m are, respectively, the resistance and inductance of the DC-links and the mutual inductance; L_s is the equivalent grid

inductance which is a comprehensive form of the transformer inductance; i_{DC} and V_{DC_i} denote the LCI-side DC-link currents and DC-link voltage vector, respectively; v_{dq} is the vector of the LCR-side voltages in a d-q reference frame:

Denoting as $P(\theta)$ the Park transformation matrix, which allows us to transform the input voltages $v'_{a,b,c}$ and $v''_{a,b,c}$ in v_{dq} ,

$$\begin{aligned} v'_{ab} &= F_1 \cdot P(\theta) \cdot v_{dq} \\ v''_{ab} &= F_1 \cdot P(\theta - \pi/6) \cdot v_{dq} \end{aligned}, \text{ with } P(\theta) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta) & -\sin(\theta) \\ \cos(\theta - 2/3\pi) & -\sin(\theta - 2/3\pi) \\ \cos(\theta + 2/3\pi) & -\sin(\theta + 2/3\pi) \end{bmatrix}, \quad (4)$$

where θ is the Park angle.

Equation (3) is valid in the time range $(t_0 \Phi)$ (Figure 5a), where t_0 denotes the initial time instant, and Φ is the turn-on time of thyristor T'_2 of the first LCR.

When thyristor T'_2 of the first LCR is turned on (Figure 5b), it is possible to define the vector X_2 :

$$X_2 = [i'_{DC} \quad i'_{new} \quad i''_{DC}]^T, \quad (5)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} X_2 = A_2 X_2 + B_{abc2} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} F_2 \cdot P(\theta) \\ F_1 \cdot P(\theta - \pi/6) \end{bmatrix} \cdot v_{dq} + B_{DC2} \cdot V_{DC_i}, \quad (6)$$

with

$$\begin{aligned} Q_2 &= \frac{1}{2L_{DC}^2 + 7L_{DC} \cdot L_s - 2L_m^2 + 6L_s^2}, \\ A_2 &= Q_2 \cdot \begin{bmatrix} -2R_{DC} \cdot (L_{DC} + 2L_s) & 0 & 2L_m \cdot R_{DC} \\ -R_{DC} \cdot (L_{DC} + 2L_s) & 0 & L_m \cdot R_{DC} \\ 2L_m \cdot R_{DC} & 0 & -R_{DC} \cdot (2L_{DC} + 3L_s) \end{bmatrix}, \\ B_{abc2} &= Q_2 \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 2L_{DC} + 4L_s & L_{DC} + 2L_s & -2L_m \\ L_{DC} + 2L_s & \frac{L_{DC}^2 + 4L_{DC} \cdot L_s - L_m^2 + 4L_s^2}{L_s} & -L_m \\ -2L_m & -L_m & 2L_{DC} + 3L_s \end{bmatrix}, \\ B_{abc2} &= Q_2 \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 2L_{DC} + 4L_s & L_{DC} + 2L_s & -2L_m \\ L_{DC} + 2L_s & \frac{L_{DC}^2 + 4L_{DC} \cdot L_s - L_m^2 + 4L_s^2}{L_s} & -L_m \\ -2L_m & -L_m & 2L_{DC} + 3L_s \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

Equation (6) describes the converter operation during the second stage of Figure 5b and it is valid in the time range $(\Phi \sigma)$. At the instant σ T'_6 is completely turned off.

Later, after the completed turn-off of T'_6 , the equations describing the circuit in Figure 5c are:

$$X_3 = [i'_{DC} \quad i''_{DC}]^T, \quad (7)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} X_3 = A_1 X_3 + B_{abc1} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} F_3 \cdot P(\theta) \\ F_1 \cdot P(\theta - \pi/6) \end{bmatrix} \cdot v_{dq} + B_{DC1} \cdot V_{DC_i}, \text{ with } F_3 = [1 \quad 0 \quad -1] \quad (8)$$

Equation (8) is valid in the third stage of the operation and in particular in the time range $(\sigma \ \beta)$ where β is the turn-on time of thyristor T_2'' of the second LCR.

Successively, in the fourth stage, the equations describing the operation of the circuit (Figure 5d) are:

$$\underline{X}_4 = [i'_{DC} \quad i''_{DC} \quad i''_{new}]^T, \quad (9)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \underline{X}_4 = A_4 \underline{X}_4 + B_{abc4} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} F_3 \cdot P(\theta) \\ F_2 \cdot P(\theta - \pi/6) \end{bmatrix} \cdot \underline{v}_{dq} + B_{DC4} \cdot \underline{V}_{DCi}, \quad (10)$$

with

$$A_4 = Q_2 \cdot \begin{bmatrix} -R_{DC} \cdot (2L_{DC} + 3L_s) & 2L_m \cdot R_{DC} & 0 \\ 2L_m \cdot R_{DC} & -R_{DC} \cdot (L_{DC} + 2L_s) & 0 \\ L_m \cdot R_{DC} & -R_{DC} \cdot (L_{DC} + 2L_s) & 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$B_{abc4} = Q_2 \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 2L_{DC} + 3L_s & -2L_m & -L_m \\ -2L_m & 2L_{DC} + 4L_s & L_{DC} + 2L_s \\ -2L_m & L_{DC} + 2L_s & \frac{L_{DC}^2 + 4L_{DC} \cdot L_s - L_m^2 + 4L_s^2}{L_s} \end{bmatrix},$$

$$B_{DC4} = Q_2 \cdot \begin{bmatrix} -(2L_{DC} + 3L_s) & 2L_m \\ 2L_m & -(2L_{DC} + 4L_s) \\ L_m & -(L_{DC} + 2L_s) \end{bmatrix}.$$

Equation (10) describes the AC/DC power conversion stage in the time range $(\beta \ \eta)$ where T_6'' is completely turned off at the instant indicated as η .

Finally, when the thyristor T_6'' of the second LCR is completely turned off (Figure 5e), the vector \underline{X}_5 can be defined and it results

$$\underline{X}_5 = [i'_{DC} \quad i''_{DC}], \quad (11)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \underline{X}_5 = A_1 \underline{X}_5 + B_{abc1} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} F_3 \cdot P(\theta) \\ F_3 \cdot P(\theta - \pi/6) \end{bmatrix} \cdot \underline{v}_{dq} + B_{DC1} \cdot \underline{V}_{DCi}. \quad (12)$$

Equation (12) describes the AC/DC power conversion stage operation in the time range $(\eta \ t_1)$ where t_1 denotes the end of the fifth stage.

In conclusion, it is possible to calculate:

$$\underline{X}_2(\Phi) = K_1 \underline{X}_1(\Phi), \quad \underline{X}_3(\sigma) = K_2 \underline{X}_2(\sigma), \quad \underline{X}_4(\beta) = K_3 \underline{X}_3(\beta), \quad \underline{X}_5(\eta) = K_4 \underline{X}_4(\eta) \quad (13)$$

with

$$K_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad K_2 = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{L_s + L_{DC}}{2L_s + L_{DC}} & \frac{L_s}{2L_s + L_{DC}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad K_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$K_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ \frac{L_s + L_{DC}}{2L_s + L_{DC}} & \frac{L_s}{2L_s + L_{DC}} & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

From Equations (3), (6), (8), (10) and (12), it is possible to define i'_{DC} and i''_{DC} as a function of the initial conditions and of the external inputs:

$$\underline{X}_1(\Phi) = e^{A_1(\Phi-t_0)} \cdot \underline{X}_1(t_0) + \int_{t_0}^{\Phi} e^{A_1(\Phi-\tau)} \left(B_{abc1} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} T_1 \cdot P(\theta) \\ T_1 \cdot P(\theta - \pi/6) \end{bmatrix} \cdot \underline{v}_{dq} + B_{DC1} \cdot V_{DCi} \right) \cdot d\tau, \quad (14)$$

$$\underline{X}_2(\sigma) = e^{A_2(\sigma-\Phi)} \cdot \underline{X}_2(\Phi) + \int_{\Phi}^{\sigma} e^{A_2(\sigma-\tau)} \left(B_{abc2} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} T_2 \cdot P(\theta) \\ T_1 \cdot P(\theta - \pi/6) \end{bmatrix} \cdot \underline{v}_{dq} + B_{DC2} \cdot V_{DCi} \right) \cdot d\tau, \quad (15)$$

$$\underline{X}_2(\sigma) = e^{A_2(\sigma-\Phi)} \cdot \underline{X}_2(\Phi) + \int_{\Phi}^{\sigma} e^{A_2(\sigma-\tau)} \left(B_{abc2} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} T_2 \cdot P(\theta) \\ T_1 \cdot P(\theta - \pi/6) \end{bmatrix} \cdot \underline{v}_{dq} + B_{DC2} \cdot V_{DCi} \right) \cdot d\tau, \quad (16)$$

$$\underline{X}_4(\eta) = e^{A_4(\eta-\beta)} \cdot \underline{X}_4(\beta) + \int_{\beta}^{\eta} e^{A_4(\eta-\tau)} \left(B_{abc4} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} T_3 \cdot P(\theta) \\ T_2 \cdot P(\theta - \pi/6) \end{bmatrix} \cdot \underline{v}_{dq} + B_{DC4} \cdot V_{DCi} \right) \cdot d\tau, \quad (17)$$

$$\underline{X}_5(t_1) = e^{A_1(t_1-\eta)} \cdot \underline{X}_5(\eta) + \int_{\eta}^{t_1} e^{A_1(t_1-\tau)} \left(B_{abc1} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} T_3 \cdot P(\theta) \\ T_3 \cdot P(\theta - \pi/6) \end{bmatrix} \cdot \underline{v}_{dq} + B_{DC1} \cdot V_{DCi} \right) \cdot d\tau. \quad (18)$$

Since i'_{DC} and i''_{DC} are non-linear, small-signal linearization can be applied around the steady-state operating point. For example, Equation (18) can be rewritten, and the currents can be expressed in order to point out the dependency on the firing angles' small perturbations $\Delta\alpha'$ and $\Delta\alpha''$. This results in

$$\Delta\underline{X}_5(t_1) = \frac{\delta\underline{X}_5(t_1)}{\delta\underline{X}_1(t_0)} \cdot \Delta\underline{X}_1(t_0) + \frac{\delta\underline{X}_3(t_1)}{\delta\underline{v}_{dq}} \cdot \Delta\underline{v}_{dq} + \frac{\delta\underline{X}_5(t_1)}{\delta V_{DCi}} \cdot \Delta V_{DCi} + \frac{\delta\underline{X}_5(t_1)}{\delta\alpha} \cdot \Delta\alpha, \quad (19)$$

with $\Delta\alpha = [\Delta\alpha' \quad \Delta\alpha'']^T$.

It is known that $\pi/3$ is the period of the currents i'_{DC} and i''_{DC} ; hence, it is possible to generalize

$$\Delta\underline{X}_5(k+1) = \frac{\delta\underline{X}_5(t_1)}{\delta\underline{X}_1(t_0)} \cdot \Delta\underline{X}_1(k) + \frac{\delta\underline{X}_3(t_1)}{\delta\underline{v}_{dq}} \cdot \Delta\underline{v}_{dq} + \frac{\delta\underline{X}_5(t_1)}{\delta V_{DCi}} \cdot \Delta V_{DCi} + \frac{\delta\underline{X}_5(t_1)}{\delta\alpha} \cdot \Delta\alpha. \quad (20)$$

Equation (20) can be converted as follows:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \Delta\underline{i}_{DC} = A_{SS-LCC} \cdot \Delta\underline{i}_{DC} + B1_{SS-LCC} \cdot \Delta\underline{v}_{dq} + B2_{SS-LCC} \cdot \Delta V_{DCi} + B3_{SS-LCC} \cdot \Delta\alpha, \quad (21)$$

where the matrixes contained in Equation (21) are defined as follows:

$$A_{SS-LCC} = \frac{1}{\Delta T} \ln \left(\frac{\delta\underline{X}_5(t_1)}{\delta\underline{X}_1(t_0)} \right), \quad (22)$$

$$B1_{SS-LCC} = \left(\frac{\delta\underline{X}_3(t_1)}{\delta\underline{X}_1(t_0)} - 1 \right)^{-1} \cdot A_{SS-LCC} \cdot \frac{\delta\underline{X}_5(t_1)}{\delta\underline{v}_{dq}}, \quad (23)$$

$$B2_{SS-LCC} = \left(\frac{\delta X_5(t_1)}{\delta X_1(t_0)} - 1 \right)^{-1} \cdot A_{SS-LCC} \cdot \frac{\delta X_5(t_1)}{\delta V_{DC_i}},$$

$$B3_{SS-LCC} = \left(\frac{\delta X_5(t_1)}{\delta X_1(t_0)} - 1 \right)^{-1} \cdot A_{SS-LCC} \cdot \frac{\delta X_5(t_1)}{\delta \underline{\alpha}}.$$

In order to obtain a classic state-space representation, the small-signal perturbations of the currents Δi_{dq} and Δi_{DC} are set as outputs of the overall system. Hence,

$$\begin{cases} \frac{d}{dt} \Delta i_{DC} = A_{SS-LCC} \cdot \Delta i_{DC} + [B1_{SS-LCC} \quad B2_{SS-LCC} \quad B3_{SS-LCC}] \cdot [\Delta v_{dq} \quad \Delta V_{DC_i} \quad \Delta \alpha]^T \\ \begin{bmatrix} \Delta i_{DC} \\ \Delta i_{dq} \end{bmatrix} = C_{SS-LCC} \cdot \Delta i_{DC} \end{cases}, \quad (24)$$

Including also the action of the PLLs in the small-signal linearized model, the closed-loop state-space model can be expressed by:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{d}{dt} \Delta i_{DC} = A_{SS-PCS} \cdot \Delta i_{DC} + B_{SS-PCS} \cdot [\Delta v_{dq} \quad \Delta V_{DC_i}]^T \\ \Delta i_{dq} = C_{SS-PCS} \cdot \Delta i_{DC} \end{cases}. \quad (25)$$

Hence, Figure 4 can be replaced by Figure 6 including the provided state-space dynamic model of the AC/DC power conversion stage in the overall control loop.

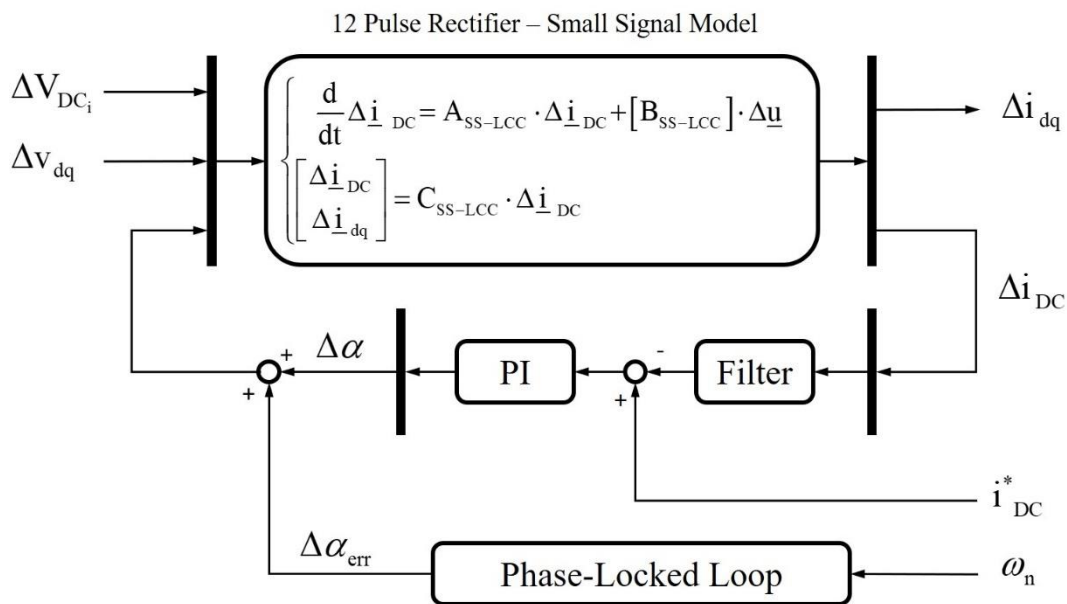


Figure 6. Control system and TVFD first power conversion stage model based on small-signal linearization and state-space representation.

4.2. Model Validation of the AC/DC Power Conversion Stage

Considering the electrical parameters of the power conversion stage reported in Table 1, the small-signal model of the TVFD AC/DC power conversion stage is assessed and compared with a simplified model. Figure 7 shows the simplified equivalent circuit of the TVFD AC/DC power conversion stage, where the dynamic behavior of the converters and the commutation process is neglected. The circuit represents an average model of the AC/DC power conversion stage where only

the DC-links of the LCRs are modeled and the 12-pulse rectifier is considered through the average voltage provided by the two LCRs denoted as V'_{DCr} and V''_{DCr} .

Starting from the simplified circuit shown in Figure 7, a state-space representation similar to Equation (25) can be obtained.

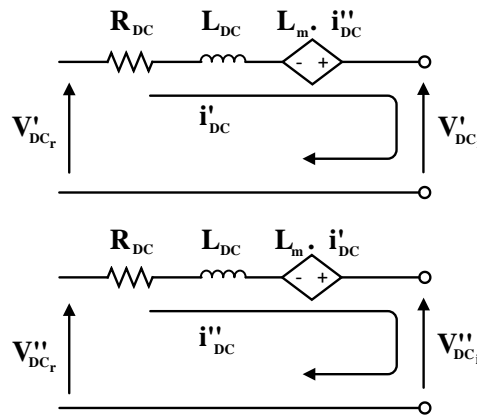


Figure 7. Simplified equivalent circuit of the TVFD AC/DC power stage.

The small-signal dynamic model discussed in the previous section, the simplified average model and a simulation time-varying model based on PLECS (Piecewise Linear Electrical Circuit Simulation) software (4.3.2 version) have been compared. The PLECS simulation platform is used in the Simulink environment. The PLECS model reproduces exactly the real operation of the AC/DC power conversion stage in the time domain and the thyristors commutation on the basis of the power electronic devices datasheet implementation.

The current variations Δi_{dq} due to voltage variations have been analyzed since they are strictly related to the electrical damping estimation. Voltage variations Δv_{noise} (at frequencies defined as f_{noise}) have been applied as inputs of the different models. The frequencies of interest are in the range (0–60 Hz) which includes the first TNF of the TG unit. The measurements of Δi_{dq} are fundamental in order to test the effectiveness of the proposed AC/DC power conversion model. As an example, Figure 8 reports the d-axis current variations Δi_d (related to the primary side of the transformer) in the case of voltage variations set at 5 Hz and 10 Hz. It can be noticed that the current waveforms provided by the small-signal dynamic model, the simplified average model, and the simulation PLECS model are all in phase but the currents have different amplitudes. As expected, the PLECS current waveforms reproduce the real currents affected by the thyristors switching.

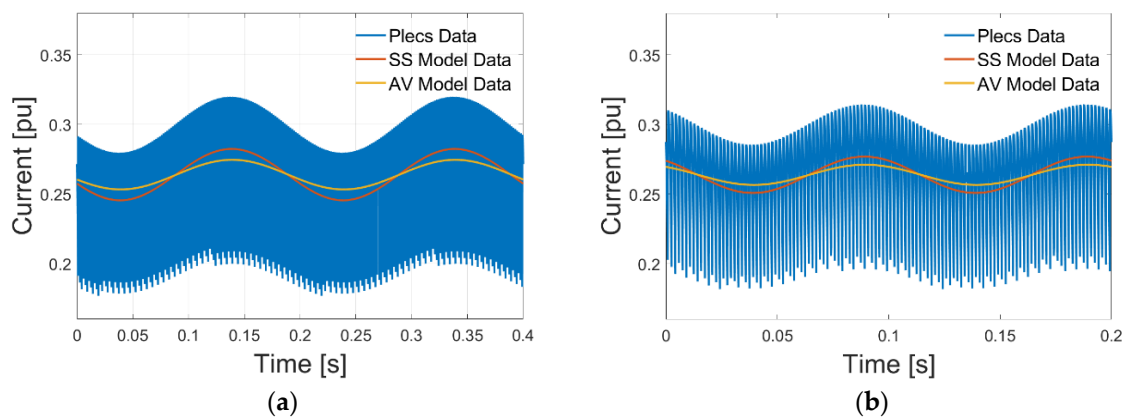


Figure 8. Δi_d due to voltage variations at: (a) 5 Hz; (b) 10 Hz.

The effects of the same voltage variations at 5 Hz and 10 Hz are considered in Figure 9, where the results are presented in the frequency domain. In reference to the same figure, Fast Fourier Transform (FFT) has been adopted to discern the different frequency components. It is possible to observe how the PLECS model and the small-signal dynamic model provide exactly the same current variations. Differently, the simplified average model underrates the amplitude of the current variations. This demonstrates that the small-signal dynamic model is preferable to the simplified average model in order to obtain a fair assessment of the impact of the SSTI phenomena.

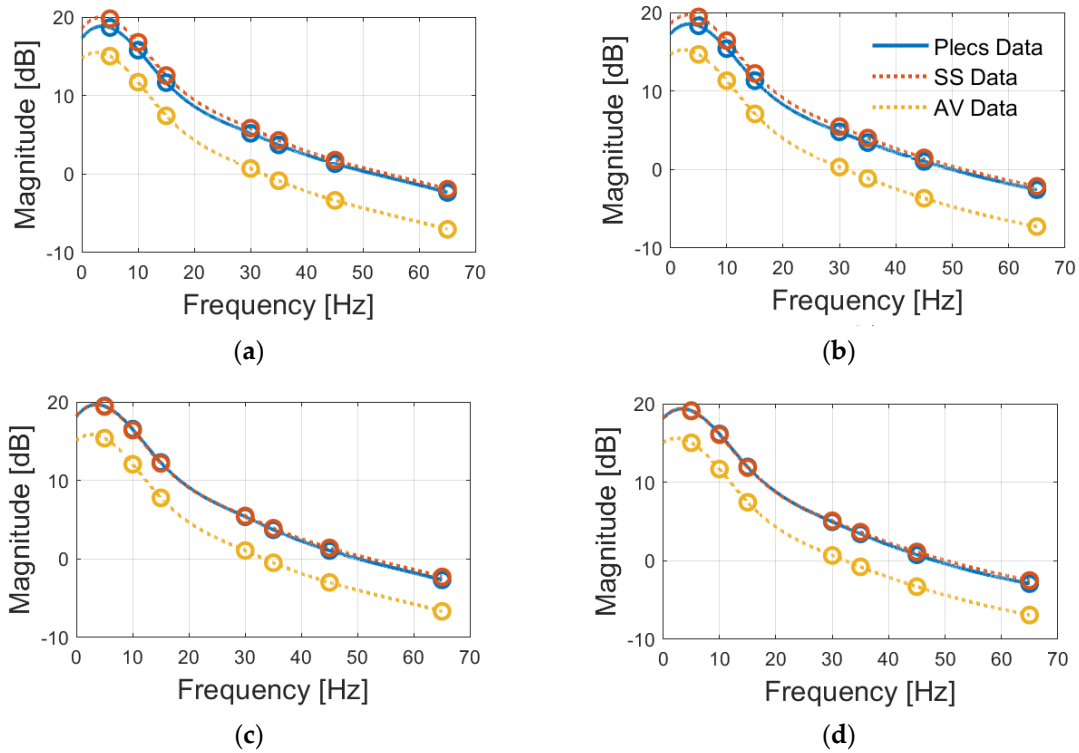


Figure 9. System response: (a) SISO system between Δv_d and Δi_d ; (b) SISO system between Δv_d and Δi_q ; (c) SISO system between Δv_q and Δi_d ; (d) SISO system between Δv_q and Δi_q .

5. Model and Control of the Turbine-Generator Unit

Starting from the synchronous machine model presented in [2], a combined electromechanical model of the TG is developed in order to be compatible with the state-space representation of the TVFD presented in Section 4.1.

In the considered case study, the shaft-line mechanical behavior is described by a lumped model of the GT coupled to the synchronous generator through a mechanical gearbox. The synchronous generator air-gap torque can be calculated as a function of currents and fluxes in a d-q reference frame. The excitation circuit is controlled by an Automatic Voltage Regulator (AVR) as shown in Figure 10.

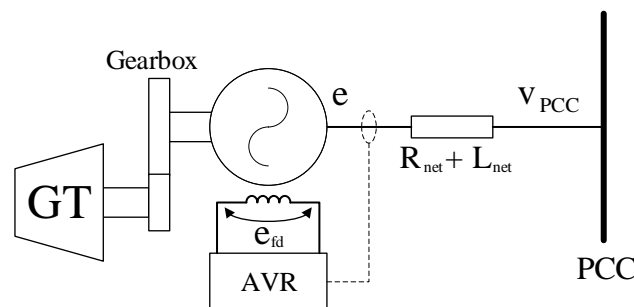


Figure 10. Simplified model of the synchronous generator (SG).

5.1. Small-Signal Model of the Synchronous Generator

The shaft-line model has several degrees of freedom (DOFs), as discussed in [28,29]. In this paper a simplified approach is preferred and three DOFs are associated with the shaft-line: the first represents the whole GT, the second represents the gearbox, and the third represents the whole synchronous generator (Figure 11).

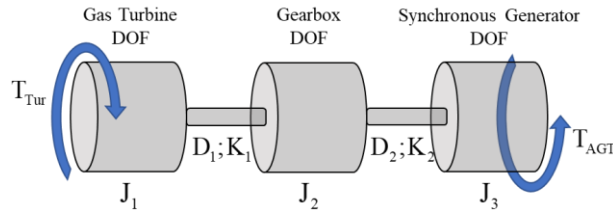


Figure 11. Mechanical equivalent model of the turbo-generator (TG) shaft-line.

Newton’s second law allows us to obtain the motion differential equation of a multi-mass system:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \Delta \underline{X}_{TMM} = \begin{bmatrix} -J^{-1} \cdot D & -J^{-1} \cdot K \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \Delta \underline{X}_{TMM} + \begin{bmatrix} J^{-1} \cdot \underline{T} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \tag{26}$$

with

$$J = \begin{bmatrix} J_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & J_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & J_3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad D = \begin{bmatrix} -D_1 & +D_1 & 0 \\ D_1 & -(D_1 + D_2) & D_2 \\ 0 & D_2 & -D_2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad K = \begin{bmatrix} -K_1 & K_1 & 0 \\ K_1 & -K_2 & 0 \\ 0 & K_2 & 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

where the vector $\Delta \underline{X}_{TMM} = [\Delta \dot{\delta}_1 \quad \Delta \dot{\delta}_2 \quad \Delta \dot{\delta}_3 \quad \Delta \delta_1 - \Delta \delta_2 \quad \Delta \delta_2 - \Delta \delta_3 \quad \Delta \delta_3]^T$ is defined as the torsional mechanical model vector, $\underline{\delta} = [\delta_1 \quad \delta_2 \quad \delta_3]^T$ is the three DOF rotor position vector, $\underline{T} = [T_{tur} \quad 0 \quad -T_{AGT}]$ is the vector of the torques applied to the shaft-line (composed of the turbine torque T_{tur} and the generator torque T_{AGT}), J is the inertia diagonal matrix, K is the stiffness tri-diagonal matrix and D is the damping tri-diagonal matrix.

Considering a d-q reference frame rotating at the rotor frequency ω_R , the d-q circuits of the synchronous generator are presented in Figure 12.

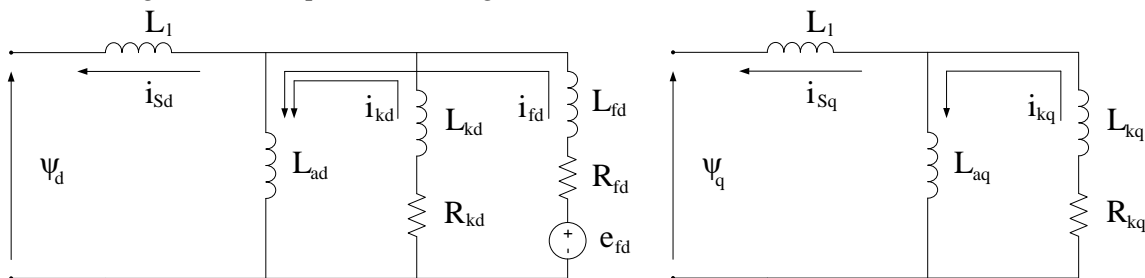


Figure 12. d-q equivalent circuits of the synchronous generator.

The stator currents i_{Sd} and i_{Sq} and the flux linkages ψ_{ad} and ψ_{aq} can be defined as:

$$\begin{cases} i_{Sd} = \frac{1}{D} \cdot \left(L_q \cdot \left(\omega \cdot L''_{ad} \cdot \left(\frac{\Psi_{fd}}{L'_{fd}} + \frac{\Psi_{kd}}{L'_{kd}} \right) - v_{PCCq} \right) - \left((R_{net} + R_a) \cdot \left(\omega \cdot L''_{aq} \cdot \frac{\Psi_{kq}}{L'_{kq}} - v_{PCCd} \right) \right) \right) \\ i_{Sq} = \frac{1}{D} \cdot \left((R_{net} + R_a) \cdot \left(\omega \cdot L''_{ad} \cdot \left(\frac{\Psi_{fd}}{L'_{fd}} + \frac{\Psi_{kd}}{L'_{kd}} \right) - v_{PCCq} \right) - \left(L_d \cdot \left(\omega \cdot L''_{aq} \cdot \frac{\Psi_{kq}}{L'_{kq}} - v_{PCCd} \right) \right) \right) \end{cases}, \quad (27)$$

with

$$\begin{aligned} L''_{ad} &= \frac{1}{1/L_{ad} + 1/L_{fd} + 1/L_{kd}}, & L''_{aq} &= \frac{1}{1/L_{aq} + 1/L_{kq}}, \\ L_d &= L_{net} + \omega \cdot (L''_{ad} + L_l), & L_q &= L_{net} + \omega \cdot (L''_{aq} + L_l), \\ D &= (R_{net} + R_a)^2 + X_q \cdot X_d, \\ \Psi_{ad} &= L''_{ad} \cdot \left(-i_{Sd} + \frac{\Psi_{fd}}{L'_{fd}} + \frac{\Psi_{kd}}{L'_{kd}} \right), & \Psi_{aq} &= L''_{ad} \cdot \left(-i_{Sq} + \frac{\Psi_{kq}}{L'_{kq}} \right), \end{aligned} \quad (28)$$

where ω is the stator voltage pulsation, v_{PCCd} and v_{PCCq} are the d-q axes grid voltages, Ψ_{fd} is the field winding flux linkage, Ψ_{kd} and Ψ_{kq} are the d-q axes amortisseur winding flux linkages, R_{net} and X_{net} are the respective resistance and the reactance of the step-up transformer connecting the generator to the PCC; R_a is the stator resistance; R_{fd} , R_{kd} and R_{kq} are the field and ammortisseur circuit resistances referring to the stator side; L_{ad} and L_{aq} are the d-q axes magnetizing inductances, L_l is the stator winding leakage inductance; L_{fd} , L_{kd} and L_{kq} are the field and damper circuit inductances referring to the stator side.

The air-gap torque T_{AGT} can be calculated as:

$$T_{AGT} = \Psi_{ad} \cdot i_{Sq} - \Psi_{aq} \cdot i_{Sd} \quad (29)$$

In order to simplify the analysis, a new common reference frame R-I can be introduced. The synchronous machine d-q reference frame and the R-I reference frame are shown in Figure 13. Hence, the machine stator currents can be expressed in the new R-I common reference frame as:

$$\begin{bmatrix} i_{Sd} \\ i_{Sq} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sin(\gamma) & -\cos(\gamma) \\ \cos(\gamma) & \sin(\gamma) \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} i_R \\ i_I \end{bmatrix}, \quad (30)$$

where γ is defined as shown in Figure 13.

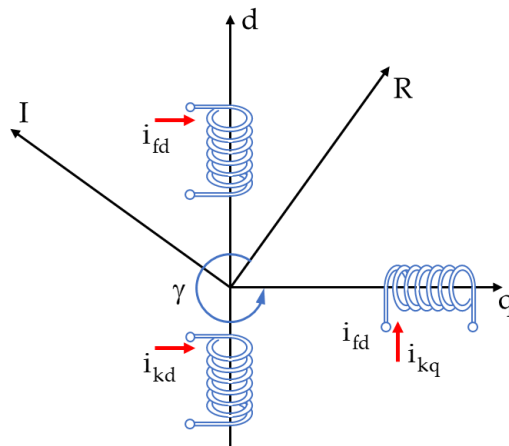


Figure 13. d-q and R-I reference frames.

Denoting as δ_3 the rotor angle, Equations (27)–(29) can be linearized around the initial conditions characterized by the initial rotor position δ_{30} , initial rotor fluxes ψ_{ad0} and ψ_{aq0} , initial current vector i_{RI0} , initial voltage vector v_{PCC0} , and initial field voltage e_{fd0} :

$$\begin{bmatrix} I_{R1} & I_{R2} \\ I_{I1} & I_{I2} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \Delta i_{RI} + \begin{bmatrix} I_{R3} \\ I_{I3} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \Delta \dot{\delta}_3 + \begin{bmatrix} I_{R4} & I_{R5} & I_{R6} & I_{R7} \\ I_{I4} & I_{I5} & I_{I6} & I_{I7} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \Delta \delta_3 \\ \Delta \underline{\psi} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} I_{R8} & I_{R9} \\ I_{I8} & I_{I9} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \Delta v_{PCC} = 0, \quad (31)$$

where the coefficients are derived in Appendix A.

The small-signal model of the circuit shown in Figure 10 is described by the following equation:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \Delta \underline{\psi} = \left(- \begin{bmatrix} R'_{fd} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & R'_{kd} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & R'_{kq} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \Delta i_{fd} \\ \Delta i_{kd} \\ \Delta i_{kq} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} (R'_{fd}/L_{ad}) \cdot (-K_{AVRp} - K_{AVRi} \int dt) \cdot \Delta V_{AVR} \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) \cdot \omega_R \quad (32)$$

where $\Delta \underline{\psi} = [\Delta \psi_{fd} \quad \Delta \psi_{kd} \quad \Delta \psi_{kq}]^T$ is the rotor flux perturbation vector.

The derivative of $\Delta \psi_{fd}$ depends on the field voltage that in Equation (32) is taken into account through the action of the AVR.

The model of the considered AVR is shown in Figure 14. As in [2], it is composed of a voltage transducer (whose proportional gain and time constant are K_r and T_r , respectively) and by a PI controller (whose proportional gain and integral time constant are K_{AVRp} and T_{AVRi} , respectively).

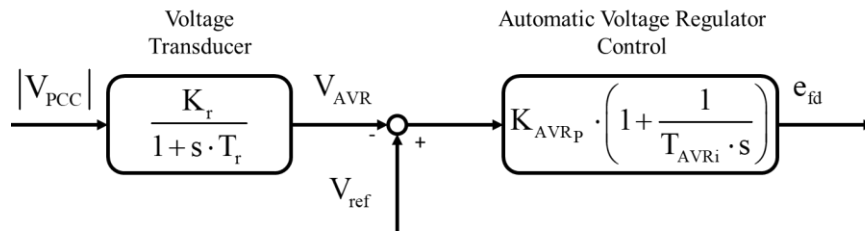


Figure 14. Automatic voltage regulator (AVR) control.

The grid voltage magnitude variation can be expressed as

$$\Delta |V_{PCC}| = K1_{AVR} \cdot \Delta V_{PCC_R} + K2_{AVR} \cdot \Delta V_{PCC_I}, \quad (33)$$

with

$$K1_{AVR} = \frac{V_{PCCd0}}{|V_{PCC}|_0} \cdot \sin(\delta_{30}) + \frac{V_{PCCq0}}{|V_{PCC}|_0} \cdot \cos(\delta_{30}),$$

$$K2_{AVR} = -\frac{V_{PCCd0}}{|V_{PCC}|_0} \cdot \cos(\delta_{30}) + \frac{V_{PCCq0}}{|V_{PCC}|_0} \cdot \sin(\delta_{30}).$$

The derivative of the transducer voltage can be calculated as

$$\frac{d}{dt} \Delta V_{AVR} = \frac{1}{T_r} \cdot \left(K_r \cdot (K1_{AVR} \cdot \Delta V_{PCC_R} + K2_{AVR} \cdot \Delta V_{PCC_I}) - \Delta V_{AVR} \right). \quad (34)$$

The state-space electromechanical model of the TG can be obtained combining Equations (26), (32) and (34) and defining the space vector as $\Delta \underline{X}_{GT} = [\Delta \underline{X}_{TMM} \quad \Delta \underline{\psi} \quad \int \Delta V_{AVR} \quad \Delta V_{AVR}]^T$:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{d}{dt} \Delta \underline{X}_{GT} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{SM11} & A_{SM12} & [0] \\ A_{SM21} & A_{SM22} & A_{SM23} \\ A_{SM31} & [0] & A_{SM33} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \Delta \underline{X}_{GT} + \begin{bmatrix} B1 \\ [0] \\ [0] \end{bmatrix} \cdot \Delta T_{tur} + \begin{bmatrix} B2 \\ B3 \\ B4 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \Delta v_{PCC} \\ \Delta i_{RI} \end{bmatrix} \\ \Delta \dot{i}_{RI} = \begin{bmatrix} I_{R1} & I_{R2} \\ I_{I1} & I_{I2} \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \cdot \left(- \begin{bmatrix} I_{R3} & I_{R4} & I_{R5} & I_{R6} & I_{R7} \\ I_{I3} & I_{I4} & I_{I5} & I_{I6} & I_{I7} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \Delta \delta_3 \\ \Delta \delta_3 \\ \Delta \psi \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} I_{R8} & I_{R9} \\ I_{I8} & I_{I9} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \Delta v_{PCC} \right) \end{array} \right. \quad (35)$$

In conclusion, the TG eigenvalue calculation is based on the matrix A_{SM} eigenvalue determination. The real part of eigenvalues provides information of the overall damping including both the mechanical and the electrical contribution.

5.2. Model Validation of the Synchronous Generator

Independent of the causes, SSTIs lead to generator shaft torsional vibrations. The overall damping of the TG unit is given by the sum of the shaft-line inherent mechanical damping and the electrical damping. Considering Figures 10 and 11, the torsional torque on the gas turbine is taken into account to evaluate the damping. Thanks to the modal analysis, the torsional natural frequencies of the shaft-line and the damping related to these frequencies can be identified.

In Table 2, the TG torsional mechanical model parameters are reported.

Table 2. TG torsional mechanical model parameters.

| Torsional Mechanical Model Parameters | Value | Unit |
|--|---------------------|------|
| Interties coefficients (J_1 , J_2 and J_3) | 9.166, 1.461, 2.764 | pu |
| Stiffness coefficients (K_1 and K_2) | 135.273, 27.235 | pu |
| Damper coefficients (D_1 and D_2) | 4.894, 0.985 | pu |

With reference to the data of Tables 1 and 2, the state-space electromechanical model of the TG has been assessed through a comparison with a simulation time-varying model based on PLECS software (4.3.2 version). Simulation results are related to rated conditions. The results provided by the time-varying model have been used in order to verify the accuracy of the small-signal model defined in Equation (35). In particular, the impulse response of the PLECS simulation model has been analyzed in the frequency domain to determine the damping related to each torsional frequency. The achieved information was compared with frequencies and damping obtained through the eigenvalue analysis of the matrix A_{SM} in the state-space model (Equation (35)).

Fourier transform-based approaches are not suitable for this frequency domain study since the torsional torque signals are typically affected by time-varying components. Differently, Prony analysis is widely used to test the power system's transient behavior [33–36]. Prony analysis can accurately identify growing or decaying components of signals where there is no prior knowledge of the frequencies. Indeed, each signal $y(t)$ can be defined as:

$$y(t) = \sum_{k=1}^N A_k \cdot e^{\sigma_k} \cdot \cos(\omega_k + \Theta_k), \text{ with } k=1,2,3,\dots,N. \quad (36)$$

where A_k is the magnitude, σ_k is the damping factor, ω_k is the pulsation, and Θ_k is the phase angle.

The greatest advantage of Prony analysis is the ability to identify the damping factor of each mode since each exponential component in Equation (36) represents a unique mode of the original signal $y(t)$. As a consequence, transient harmonics can be identified accurately.

In Figure 15, the TG is excited by a torsional impulse with magnitude 1 pu and duration 10^{-4} s. The complete torque transient behavior calculated by the state-space TG model is shown in the upper side of Figure 15, while the comparison between the torque provided by the simulation PLECS model

and the torque fitting using the Prony series are reported on the lower side of Figure 15 considering a time range (0–2) s.

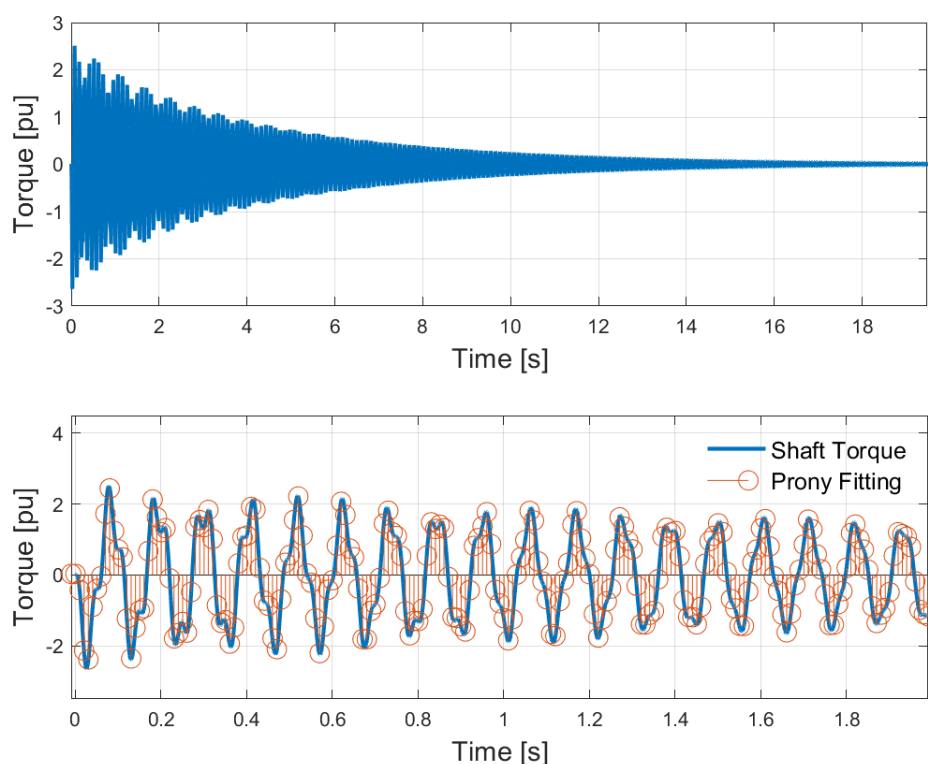


Figure 15. Torque oscillation after a transient event: simulation PLECS model and Prony series fitted signals.

The torque waveform depends on the natural frequency and the damping factor of the first torsional mode. The post processing analysis, through Prony series, allows us to fit the real torque signal with an optimal approximation, as highlighted in Figure 15. The natural frequency and the damping factor estimated through Prony series are: $f_{1^{\circ}TNF} = 9.19$, $\xi_{1^{\circ}TNF} = 0.0036$.

Considering the TG state-space model, the overall damping factor can be evaluated by the eigenvalues of the matrix A_{SM} , remembering that A_{SM} is the matrix which multiplies the state vector in Equation (35). Table 3 reports the eigenvalues corresponding to the oscillatory mode of the matrix. Focusing on the first torsional model, the natural frequency is equal to 9.2047 Hz while the damping factor is equal to 0.0035.

Table 3. Eigenvalues of the TG state-space model.

| Eigenvalues | Frequency [Hz] | Damping Factor [pu] |
|-------------------------|----------------|---------------------|
| $-0.2021 \pm 57.8346i$ | 9.20 | 0.0035 |
| $-2.2685 \pm 198.2778i$ | 31.56 | 0.0114 |

Comparing the results provided by the state-space model and the simulation of the PLECS model processed through Prony series, it can be concluded that the frequency of the first torsional mode is estimated with an error less than 5%, while the overall damping factor is estimated with an error less than 3%. Hence, the accuracy of the proposed state-space electromechanical model is proved.

6. Damping Assessment and Stability Considerations

In the previous sections, both the state-space model of the TVFD and of the TG unit are represented in the following form:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{d}{dt} \Delta x_i = A_i \cdot \Delta x_i + B_i \cdot \Delta v_i, \\ \Delta i_i = C_i \cdot \Delta x_i + D_i \cdot \Delta v_i \end{cases}, \quad (37)$$

where Δx_i represents the variations of the state variables of the TVFD and of the TG unit, Δi_i is the vector of the current perturbations, and Δv_i is the vector of the voltage perturbations.

In order to achieve the overall electromechanical model of the LNG plant, all voltages and currents have been measured in a common reference frame. For this purpose, the reference frame R-I rotating at the synchronous generator speed (Figure 13) is used as a common reference frame.

Denoting as Δi_{GT} the current provided by the TG unit and as Δi_{PCS} the AC current of the TVFD, the currents vectors can be defined as:

$$\Delta \underline{i}_{PCC} = [\Delta \underline{i}_{GT} \quad \Delta \underline{i}_{PCS}]^T, \quad (38)$$

with

$$\Delta \underline{i}_{GT} = -\Delta \underline{i}_{RI}, \quad \Delta \underline{i}_{PCS} = -\Delta \underline{i}_{dq}.$$

Considering the simplified scheme of the LNG plant shown in Figure 2, the overall state-space model can be obtained combining Equations (25) and (35):

$$\begin{cases} \frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} \Delta \underline{X}_{GT} \\ \Delta \underline{i}_{DC} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{SM} + B_{SM} \cdot C_{SM} & [0] \\ [0] & A_{SS-PCS} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \Delta \underline{X}_{GT} \\ \Delta \underline{i}_{DC} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} B_{SM} + B_{SM} \cdot D_{SM} \\ B_{SS-PCS} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \Delta \underline{v}_{PCC}, \\ \begin{bmatrix} \Delta \underline{i}_{GT} \\ \Delta \underline{i}_{PCS} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} C_{SM} & [0] \\ [0] & C_{SS-PCS} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \Delta \underline{X}_{GT} \\ \Delta \underline{i}_{DC} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} D_{SM} \\ [0] \end{bmatrix} \cdot \Delta \underline{v}_{PCC} \end{cases}, \quad (39)$$

with

$$B_{SM} = [B1 \quad B2 \quad B3]^T,$$

$$C_{SM} = - \begin{bmatrix} I_{R1} & I_{R2} \\ I_{I1} & I_{I2} \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & I_{R3} & 0 & 0 & I_{R4} & I_{R5} & I_{R6} & I_{R7} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & I_{I3} & 0 & 0 & I_{I4} & I_{I5} & I_{I6} & I_{I7} & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$D_{SM} = - \begin{bmatrix} I_{R1} & I_{R2} \\ I_{I1} & I_{I2} \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} I_{R8} & I_{R9} \\ I_{I8} & I_{I9} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Hence, the PCC node equation is:

$$\Delta \underline{i}_{PCC} = Y_{PCC} \cdot \Delta \underline{v}_{PCC}, \quad (40)$$

Finally, the LNG plant model can be rearranged as:

$$\Delta \underline{v}_{PCC} = \left(Y_{PCC} - \begin{bmatrix} D_{SM} \\ [0] \end{bmatrix} \right)^{-1} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} C_{SM} & [0] \\ [0] & C_{SS-PCS} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \Delta \underline{X}_{GT} \\ \Delta \underline{i}_{DC} \end{bmatrix}, \quad (41)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} \Delta \underline{X}_{GT} \\ \Delta \underline{i}_{DC} \end{bmatrix} = A_{WPN} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \Delta \underline{X}_{GT} \\ \Delta \underline{i}_{DC} \end{bmatrix}, \quad (42)$$

with

$$A_{WPN} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{SM} + B_{SM} \cdot C_{SM} & [0] \\ [0] & A_{SS-PCS} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} B_{SM} + B_{SM} \cdot D_{SM} \\ B_{SS-PCS} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \left(Y_{PCC} - \begin{bmatrix} D_{SM} \\ [0] \end{bmatrix} \right)^{-1} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} C_{SM} & [0] \\ [0] & C_{SS-PCS} \end{bmatrix}$$

6.1. Electrical Damping Assessment

The LNG plant eigenvalue calculations provide information about the stability of the overall power system. The LNG plant eigenvalue calculations are based on determination of the matrix A_{WPN} eigenvalues. Each pair of complex eigenvalues corresponds to an oscillatory mode. The real part of the eigenvalues provides information of the overall damping including both the mechanical and the electrical damping. The imaginary component provides information about the oscillation frequency. Denoting as λ_i the i -th complex-conjugate pair of eigenvalues at a frequency ω_i :

$$\lambda_i = \sigma_i \pm j\omega_i. \tag{43}$$

The oscillatory mode is stable if the real part σ_i of the eigenvalue is negative. This implies that the resulting TG shaft line oscillations damp naturally following a transient event in the grid. In particular, the decay rate of the oscillation amplitude depends on the frequency f_i and the real part σ_i :

$$f_i = \omega_i / 2\pi, \tag{44}$$

$$\xi(f_i) = -\sigma_i / \sqrt{\sigma_i^2 + \omega_i^2},$$

where $\xi(f_i)$ denotes the overall damping.

If $\xi(f_i)$ is negative, the oscillations at frequency f_i keep increasing over time. As defined in [24], the overall damping can be divided into two contributions:

$$\xi(f_i) = \xi_m(f_i) + \xi_e(f_i). \tag{45}$$

Denoting as $\xi_m(f_i)$ the mechanical contribution to the overall damping $\xi(f_i)$, the mechanical damping can be evaluated through the modal analysis as described in [28,29]. $\xi_m(f_i)$ is always positive; hence, the overall damping $\xi(f_i)$ can be negative only if the electrical damping contribution $\xi_e(f_i)$ is negative. The mechanical damping at frequency f_i can be calculated by the coefficients D_1 and D_2 reported in Table 2. Differently, Equation (45) allows us to calculate the electrical damping $\xi_e(f_i)$ by subtraction.

In the considered case study, the electrical damping $\xi_e(f_i)$ and the eigenvalues of the matrix A_{WPN} depend on the synchronous generator, the TVFD, and their control system. Considering the data reported in Tables 1 and 2, the mechanical damping $\xi_m(TNF1^\circ)$ and $\xi_m(TNF2^\circ)$ related to the first and to the second TNFs can be derived (Table 4).

Looking at Equations (42) and (44), the overall damping $\xi(TNFs)$ is assessed by the eigenvalues of the matrix A_{WPN} , and the electrical damping $\xi_e(TNFs)$ is calculated as a consequence.

Table 4. TG mechanical damping at the first and the second TNFs.

| Mechanical Damping Factor | Value [pu] |
|---------------------------|------------|
| $\xi_m(TNF1^\circ)$ | 0.0033 |
| $\xi_m(TNF2^\circ)$ | 0.0114 |

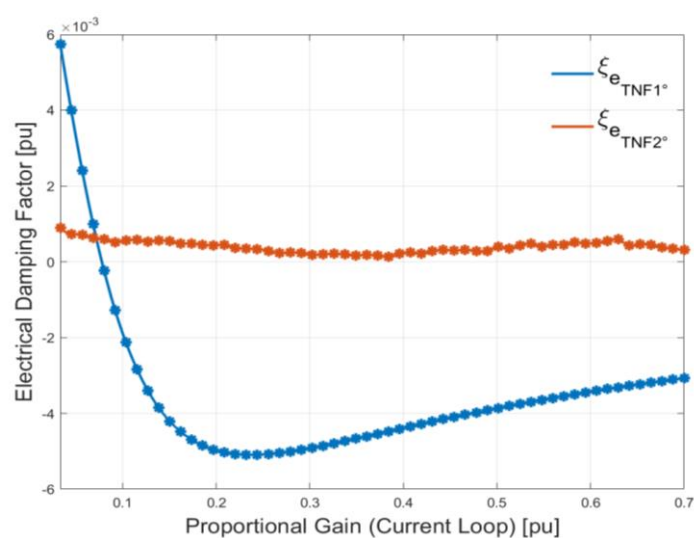
6.2. Stability Evaluation

The parameter variation of the LCR’s current controller and of the PLL controllers influences the electric damping $\xi_e(TNFs)$. Starting from the control parameters reported in Table 5, the current controller and PLL controller proportional gains have been varied successively.

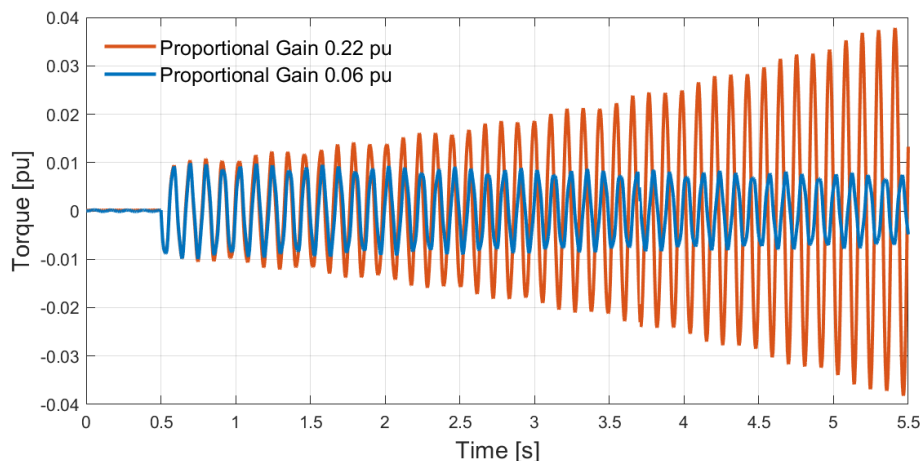
Table 5. Current controller and PLL controller parameters.

| Parameter | Value | Unit |
|--|-------|------|
| Proportional gain (current controller) | 0.06 | pu |
| Integral constant (current controller) | 0.025 | s |
| Proportional gain (PLL controller) | 10 | pu |
| Integral constant (current controller) | 0.33 | s |

In Figure 16, the proportional gain of the LCR's PI controllers is increased up to 0.7 pu while the integral time constant is kept constant. There is a decrease of the electrical damping $\xi_e(TNF1^\circ)$ related to the first TNF, which leads the LNG plant to instability in the case the proportional gain is greater than 0.1. The worst case is verified when $K_p = 0.22$ pu. In this condition, the electrical damping absolute value is the highest and, as a consequence, the overall damping $\xi(TNF1^\circ)$ is negative. For $K_p < 0.1$, the overall damping $\xi(TNF1^\circ)$ is positive and the system is stable.

**Figure 16.** Electrical damping ξ_e as a function of the current controller parameter variation.

Considering the application of a torque impulse to the TG shaft at $t = 0.5$ s, the overall electro-mechanical system is perturbed. In Figure 17, two different conditions are analyzed: in the first case, $K_p = 0.22$, in the second case, $K_p = 0.06$. It can be observed that in the first case, the alternating component of the shaft torque increases progressively, while in the second case, the shaft torque decreases over time.

**Figure 17.** Alternating component of the shaft torque after a perturbation phenomenon in case of current controller proportional gain variation.

Considering the reference frame shown in Figure 13, the TG model and the power conversion stage model described by Equations (35) and (25), respectively, can be rearranged as:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{d}{dt} \Delta \underline{X}_{GT} = [A_{SM} + B_{SM} \cdot C_{SM}] \cdot \Delta \underline{X}_{GT} + [B_{SM} + B_{SM} \cdot D_{SM}] \cdot \Delta v_{PCCR} , \\ \Delta i_{GT_R} = C_{SM} \cdot \Delta \underline{X}_{GT} + D_{SM} \cdot \Delta v_{PCCR} \end{cases} , \quad (46)$$

$$\begin{cases} \frac{d}{dt} \Delta i_{DC} = A_{SS-PCS} \cdot \Delta i_{DC} + B_{SS-PCS} \cdot \Delta v_{PCCR} , \\ \Delta i_{PCS_R} = C_{SS-PCS} \cdot \Delta i_{DC} \end{cases} , \quad (47)$$

where the voltage variation Δv_{PCCR} is selected as input, and the current variations Δi_{GT_R} and Δi_{PCS_R} are selected as output.

In Figures 18 and 19, the Bode diagrams of the systems described in Equations (46) and (48) are shown.

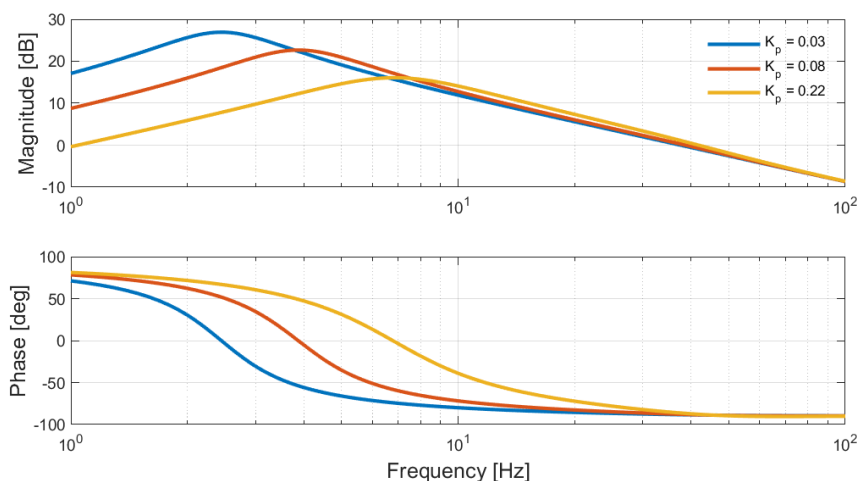


Figure 18. Bode diagram of the power conversion stage model (Equation (47)) in case of different current controller proportional gain values.

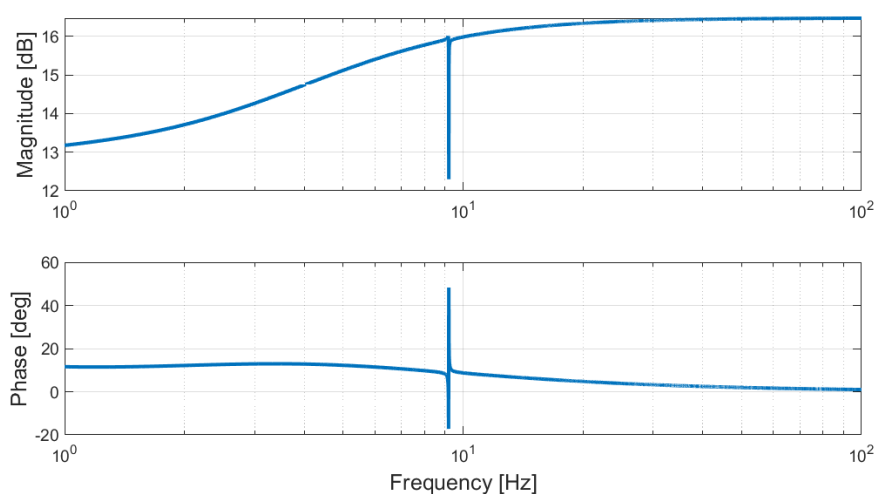


Figure 19. Bode diagram of the TG model (Equation (46)).

Looking at Figure 18, it can be observed that, considering different values of K_p , the magnitudes are very similar in the frequencies range of interest. As a consequence, the variations of the currents

drained by the power conversion stage at the PCC Δi_{PCS_R} are not suggestive of instability conditions. Differently the Bode phase plots related to the first TNF are indicative of instability. In the case $\xi_e(TNF1^\circ)$ is positive or zero, the current variations Δi_{PCS_R} exhibit around 90° of lag with respect to the voltage variation Δv_{PCC_R} .

Considering the TG model (Equation (46)), it can be noticed that the variations of the currents injected in the PCC Δi_{GTR} are around 10° with respect to voltage variation Δv_{PCC_R} (Figure 19). Observing Figures 18 and 19 and considering $K_p = 0.03$ pu, it can be concluded that the currents at the PCC related to the TG and to the power conversion stage have a phase shift greater than 90 degrees. In this condition, positive electrical damping is guaranteed. The phase shift between the currents decreases in the other cases, $\xi_e(TNF1^\circ)$ presents negative values, and the electro-mechanical system leads to instability conditions.

In conclusion, the study of the overall model defined in Equation (42) is necessary in order to provide proper stability assessment.

In Figure 20, the proportional gain of the PLL controller is varied while the PLL integral time constant is considered constant. In the case the proportional gain is greater than 17, there is a decrease of the electrical damping $\xi_e(TNF1^\circ)$ related to the first TNF, which leads the LNG plant to instability. This is confirmed by the results provided in Figure 21 when the proportion gain of the PLL controllers is assumed equal to 7 in the first case and equal to 30 in the second case. In the first case, $\xi_e(TNF1^\circ)$ is positive, and the torque oscillation damps naturally; in the second case, the torque oscillation increases over time, and the LNG plant is unstable.

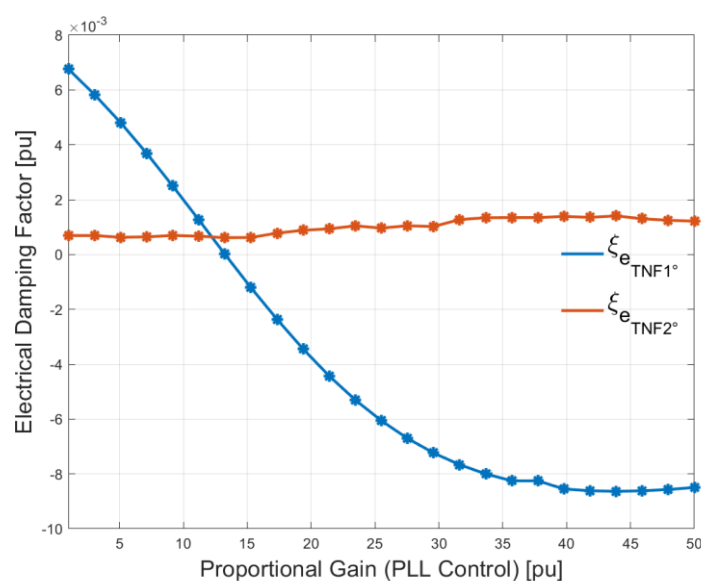


Figure 20. Electrical damping ξ_e as a function of the PLL controller parameter variation.

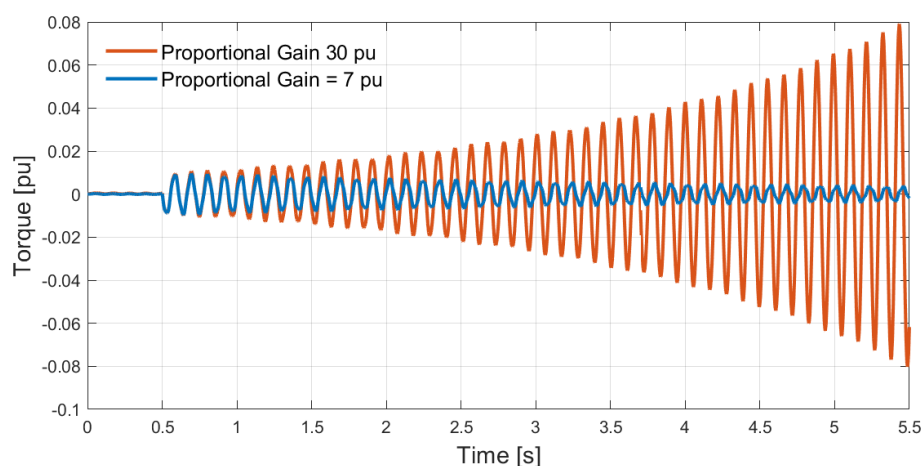


Figure 21. Alternating component of the shaft torque after a perturbation phenomenon in case of PLL controller proportional gain variation.

7. Conclusions

Commonly for the LNG plants, stability analysis is developed, neglecting a detailed model of the power converters. In this paper, it is pointed out that stability evaluation provided in the case of a simplified model of the power conversion stage can be misleading. It can impact the effectiveness of the results and, as a consequence, the operation of the LNG plant. Small-signal analysis is used to determine a detailed dynamic state-space model of the TVFD and of the electrical generator with the aim to provide an accurate evaluation of the electrical damping of the LNG plant. It is proved that the use of simplified models can affect the estimation of the electrical disturbances due to the SSTI phenomena. The impact of the main control parameters variations on the electrical damping assessment is finally investigated.

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Appendix A

Assuming linear magnetic conditions, based on the small-signal linearization, it is possible to define

$$\delta_3 = \delta_{30} + \Delta\delta_3, \quad (\text{A1})$$

$$\psi_{ad} = \psi_{ad0} + \Delta\psi_{ad} \quad \text{and} \quad \psi_{aq} = \psi_{aq0} + \Delta\psi_{aq}, \quad (\text{A2})$$

$$\dot{i}_{RI} = \dot{i}_{RI0} + \underline{\Delta i}_{RI}, \quad (\text{A3})$$

$$\underline{v}_{PCC} = \underline{v}_{PCC0} + \underline{\Delta v}_{PCC}, \quad (\text{A4})$$

$$e_{fd} = e_{fd_0} + \Delta e_{fd}, \quad (\text{A5})$$

where δ_{3_0} is the initial rotor position, ψ_{ad_0} and ψ_{aq_0} are the initial rotor fluxes, i_{RI_0} is the initial current vector in the R-I frame, v_{PCC_0} is the initial voltage vector, and e_{fd_0} is the initial field voltage.

Considering the relation between the common reference frame R-I and the individual synchronous machine reference frame defined in Equation (30), the variations of the currents i_{Sdq} and of the voltage v_{PCCdq} can be expressed as:

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta i_{sd} &= \sin(\delta_{3_0}) \cdot \Delta i_R - \cos(\delta_{3_0}) \cdot \Delta i_I + \left(\cos(\delta_{3_0}) \cdot i_{R_0} + \sin(\delta_{3_0}) \cdot i_{I_0} \right) \cdot \Delta \delta_3 \\ \Delta i_{sq} &= \cos(\delta_{3_0}) \cdot \Delta i_R + \sin(\delta_{3_0}) \cdot \Delta i_I + \left(-\sin(\delta_{3_0}) \cdot i_{R_0} + \cos(\delta_{3_0}) \cdot i_{I_0} \right) \cdot \Delta \delta_3 \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A6})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta v_{PCC_d} &= \sin(\delta_{3_0}) \cdot \Delta v_{PCC_R} - \cos(\delta_{3_0}) \cdot \Delta v_{PCC_I} + \left(\cos(\delta_{3_0}) \cdot v_{PCC_{R_0}} + \sin(\delta_{3_0}) \cdot v_{PCC_{I_0}} \right) \cdot \Delta \delta_3 \\ \Delta v_{PCC_q} &= \cos(\delta_{3_0}) \cdot \Delta v_{PCC_R} + \sin(\delta_{3_0}) \cdot \Delta v_{PCC_I} - \left(\sin(\delta_{3_0}) \cdot v_{PCC_{R_0}} - \cos(\delta_{3_0}) \cdot v_{PCC_{I_0}} \right) \cdot \Delta \delta_3 \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A7})$$

Neglecting the constant terms and the variations with order higher than the first:

$$\begin{bmatrix} I_{R1} & I_{R2} \\ I_{I1} & I_{I2} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \Delta i_{RI} + \begin{bmatrix} I_{R3} \\ I_{I3} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \Delta \delta_3 + \begin{bmatrix} I_{R4} & I_{R5} & I_{R6} & I_{R7} \\ I_{I4} & I_{I5} & I_{I6} & I_{I7} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \Delta \delta_3 \\ \Delta \psi \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} I_{R8} & I_{R9} \\ I_{I8} & I_{I9} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \Delta v_{PCC} = 0, \quad (\text{A8})$$

where defining the coefficients:

$$A_{coef} = L_{ad}'' \cdot \left(\frac{\psi_{fd_0}}{L_{fd}} + \frac{\psi_{kd_0}}{L_{kd}} \right), \quad (\text{A9})$$

$$B_{coef} = L_{aq}'' \cdot \frac{\psi_{kq_0}}{L_{kq}}, \quad (\text{A10})$$

$$C_{coef} = -\frac{1}{D^2} \cdot \left(X_{net} \cdot (L_{ad}'' + L_{aq}'' + 2L_l) + 2 \cdot (L_{ad}'' + L_l) \cdot (L_{aq}'' + L_l) \right). \quad (\text{A11})$$

The matrix elements are:

$$I_{R1} = -\sin(\delta_{3_0}), \quad (\text{A12})$$

$$I_{R2} = \cos(\delta_{3_0}), \quad (\text{A13})$$

$$I_{I1} = -\cos(\delta_{3_0}), \quad (\text{A14})$$

$$I_{I2} = -\sin(\delta_{3_0}), \quad (\text{A15})$$

$$\begin{aligned} I_{R3} &= C_{coef} \cdot \left(L_q \cdot \left(L_{ad}'' \cdot \left(\frac{\psi_{fd_0}}{L_{fd}} + \frac{\psi_{kd_0}}{L_{kd}} \right) - v_{PCC_{q0}} \right) - (R_{net} + R_a) \cdot \left(L_{aq}'' \cdot \frac{\psi_{kq_0}}{L_{kq}} - v_{PCC_{d0}} \right) \right) + \\ &\frac{1}{D} \cdot \left(A_{coef} \cdot L_q - B_{coef} \cdot (R_{net} + R_a) + (L_{aq}'' + L_l) \cdot \left(L_{ad}'' \cdot \left(\frac{\psi_{fd_0}}{L_{fd}} + \frac{\psi_{kd_0}}{L_{kd}} \right) - v_{PCC_{q0}} \right) \right) \end{aligned}, \quad (\text{A16})$$

$$I_{I3} = C_{coef} \cdot \left((R_{net} + R_a) \cdot \left(L_{ad}'' \cdot \left(\frac{\psi_{fd0}}{L_{fd}} + \frac{\psi_{kd0}}{L_{kd}} \right) - v_{PCCq0} \right) - L_d \cdot \left(L_{aq}'' \cdot \frac{\psi_{kq0}}{L_{kq}} - v_{PCCd0} \right) \right) + \frac{1}{D} \cdot \left(A_{coef} \cdot (R_{net} + R_a) - B_{coef} \cdot L_d + (L_{ad}'' + L_l) \cdot \left(L_{aq}'' \cdot \frac{\psi_{kq0}}{L_{kq}} - v_{PCCd0} \right) \right), \quad (A17)$$

$$I_{R4} = - \left(\cos(\delta_{30}) \cdot i_{R0} + \sin(\delta_{30}) \cdot i_{I0} \right) - \left(L_q \cdot \left(-\sin(\delta_{30}) \cdot v_{PCCR0} + \cos(\delta_{30}) \cdot v_{PCCI0} \right) \right. \\ \left. (R_{net} + R_a) \cdot \left(\cos(\delta_{30}) \cdot v_{PCCR0} + \sin(\delta_{30}) \cdot v_{PCCI0} \right) \right) / D', \quad (A18)$$

$$I_{R5} = \frac{L_q \cdot L_{ad}''}{D \cdot L_{fd}}, \quad (A19)$$

$$I_{R6} = \frac{L_q \cdot L_{ad}''}{D \cdot L_{kd}}, \quad (A20)$$

$$I_{R7} = - \frac{(R_{net} + R_a) \cdot L_{aq}''}{D \cdot L_{kq}}, \quad (A21)$$

$$I_{I4} = - \left(-\sin(\delta_{30}) \cdot i_{R0} + \cos(\delta_{30}) \cdot i_{I0} \right) + \left(L_d \cdot \left(\cos(\delta_{30}) \cdot v_{PCCR0} + \sin(\delta_{30}) \cdot v_{PCCI0} \right) \right. \\ \left. - (R_{net} + R_a) \cdot \left(-\sin(\delta_{30}) \cdot v_{PCCR0} + \cos(\delta_{30}) \cdot v_{PCCI0} \right) \right) / D', \quad (A22)$$

$$I_{i5} = \frac{(R_{net} + R_a) \cdot L_{ad}''}{D \cdot L_{fd}}, \quad (A23)$$

$$I_{R6} = \frac{(R_{net} + R_a) \cdot L_{ad}''}{D \cdot L_{kd}}, \quad (A24)$$

$$I_{R7} = \frac{L_d \cdot L_{aq}''}{D \cdot L_{kq}}, \quad (A25)$$

$$I_{R8} = - \frac{L_q \cdot \cos(\delta_{30})}{D} - \frac{(R_{net} + R_a) \cdot \sin(\delta_{30})}{D}, \quad (A26)$$

$$I_{R9} = - \frac{L_q \cdot \sin(\delta_{30})}{D} + \frac{(R_{net} + R_a) \cdot \cos(\delta_{30})}{D}, \quad (A27)$$

$$I_{I8} = - \frac{(R_{net} + R_a) \cdot \cos(\delta_{30})}{D} + \frac{L_d \cdot \sin(\delta_{30})}{D}, \quad (A28)$$

$$I_{I9} = - \frac{(R_{net} + R_a) \cdot \sin(\delta_{30})}{D} - \frac{L_d \cdot \cos(\delta_{30})}{D}. \quad (A29)$$

Equation (A7) defines the small perturbations of the stator currents in the reference frame R-I to be included in the state-space model of the synchronous machine defined in Equation (35).

The matrixes that compose the turbo-generator model are derived from Equations (26)–(28) and (32) considering the small-signal representation in Equations (A1)–(A5).

The coefficients of Equation (35) can be defined as follows:

$$A_{SM11} = \begin{bmatrix} -(D_1 + K_{\Delta\omega - \Delta\omega})/J_1 & D_1/J_1 & 0 & -K_1/J_1 & 0 & 0 \\ D_1/J_2 & -(D_1 + D_2)/J_2 & D_2/J_2 & K_1/J_2 & -K_2/J_2 & 0 \\ 0 & D_2/J_3 & -D_2/J_3 & 0 & K_2/J_3 & K_{\Delta\delta - \Delta\omega}/J_3 \\ \omega_R & -\omega_R & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \omega_R & -\omega_R & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (A30)$$

$$A_{SM12} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ K_{\Delta\Psi_{fd - \Delta\omega}}/J_3 & K_{\Delta\Psi_{kd - \Delta\omega}}/J_3 & K_{\Delta\Psi_{kq - \Delta\omega}}/J_3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (A31)$$

$$A_{SM21} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -(\cos(\delta_{30}) \cdot i_{R0} + \sin(\delta_{30}) \cdot i_{I0}) \cdot \frac{R_{fd} \cdot \omega_R \cdot L''_{ad}}{L_{fd}} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -(\cos(\delta_{30}) \cdot i_{R0} + \sin(\delta_{30}) \cdot i_{I0}) \cdot \frac{R_{kd} \cdot \omega_R \cdot L''_{ad}}{L_{dd}} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -(-\sin(\delta_{30}) \cdot i_{R0} + \cos(\delta_{30}) \cdot i_{I0}) \cdot \frac{R_{kq} \cdot \omega_R \cdot L''_{aq}}{L_{kq}} \end{bmatrix}, \quad (A32)$$

$$A_{SM22} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{R_{fd} \cdot \omega_R \cdot (1 - L''_{ad}/L_{fd})}{L_{fd}} & \frac{R_{fd} \cdot \omega_R \cdot L''_{ad}}{L_{fd} \cdot L_{kd}} & 0 \\ \frac{R_{kd} \cdot \omega_R \cdot L''_{ad}}{L_{fd} \cdot L_{kd}} & -\frac{R_{kd} \cdot \omega_R \cdot (1 - L''_{ad}/L_{kd})}{L_{kd}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{R_{kq} \cdot \omega_R \cdot (1 - L''_{aq}/L_{kq})}{L_{kq}} \end{bmatrix}, \quad (A33)$$

$$A_{SM23} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{R_{fd} \cdot K_{AVRP} \cdot \omega_R}{T_{AVRI} \cdot L_{ad}} & -\frac{R_{fd} \cdot K_{AVRP} \cdot \omega_R}{L_{ad}} \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (A34)$$

$$A_{SM31} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{K3_{AVR}}{T_r} \end{bmatrix}, \quad (A35)$$

$$A_{SM33} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{T_R} \end{bmatrix}, \quad (A36)$$

$$B1 = [1/J_1 \quad 0 \quad 0 \quad 0 \quad 0 \quad 0]^T, \quad (A37)$$

$$B2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ [0] \quad (1/J_3) \cdot \left((i_{S_{q0}} \cdot L''_{ad} + \psi_{aq0}) \cdot \sin(\delta_{30}) - (i_{S_{d0}} \cdot L''_{aq} + \psi_{ad0}) \cdot \cos(\delta_{30}) \right) \quad [0] \\ (1/J_3) \cdot \left(-(i_{S_{q0}} \cdot L''_{ad} + \psi_{aq0}) \cdot \cos(\delta_{30}) - (i_{S_{d0}} \cdot L''_{aq} + \psi_{ad0}) \cdot \sin(\delta_{30}) \right) \end{bmatrix}^T, \quad (A38)$$

$$B3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -\frac{R_{fd} \cdot \omega_R}{L_{fd}} \cdot L''_{ad} \cdot \sin(\delta_{30}) & \frac{R_{fd} \cdot \omega_R}{L_{fd}} \cdot L''_{ad} \cdot \cos(\delta_{30}) \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{R_{kd} \cdot \omega_R}{L_{kd}} \cdot L''_{ad} \cdot \sin(\delta_{30}) & \frac{R_{kd} \cdot \omega_R}{L_{kd}} \cdot L''_{ad} \cdot \cos(\delta_{30}) \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{R_{kq} \cdot \omega_R}{L_{kq}} \cdot L''_{aq} \cdot \cos(\delta_{30}) & -\frac{R_{kq} \cdot \omega_R}{L_{kq}} \cdot L''_{aq} \cdot \sin(\delta_{30}) \end{bmatrix}, \quad (A39)$$

$$B4 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{K_r \cdot K1_{AVR}}{T_r} & \frac{K_r \cdot K2_{AVR}}{T_r} & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (A40)$$

with

$$K_{\Delta\omega-\Delta\omega} = -\psi_{ad0} \cdot i_{S_{q0}} + \psi_{aq0} \cdot i_{S_{d0}},$$

$$K_{\Delta\delta-\Delta\omega} = \left(\cos(\delta_{30}) \cdot i_{R0} + \sin(\delta_{30}) \cdot i_{I0} \right) \cdot \left(i_{S_{q0}} \cdot L''_{ad} + \psi_{aq0} \right) - \left(-\sin(\delta_{30}) \cdot i_{R0} + \cos(\delta_{30}) \cdot i_{I0} \right) \cdot \left(i_{S_{d0}} \cdot L''_{aq} + \psi_{ad0} \right),$$

$$K_{\Delta\Psi_{fd}-\Delta\omega} = -\frac{i_{S_{q0}} \cdot L''_{ad}}{L_{fd}},$$

$$K_{\Delta\Psi_{kd}-\Delta\omega} = -\frac{i_{S_{q0}} \cdot L''_{ad}}{L_{kd}},$$

$$K_{\Delta\Psi_{kq}-\Delta\omega} = -\frac{i_{S_{d0}} \cdot L''_{aq}}{L_{kq}}.$$

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