

Small-scale wind turbine systems with efficient and inexpensive generator topology for micro-grids

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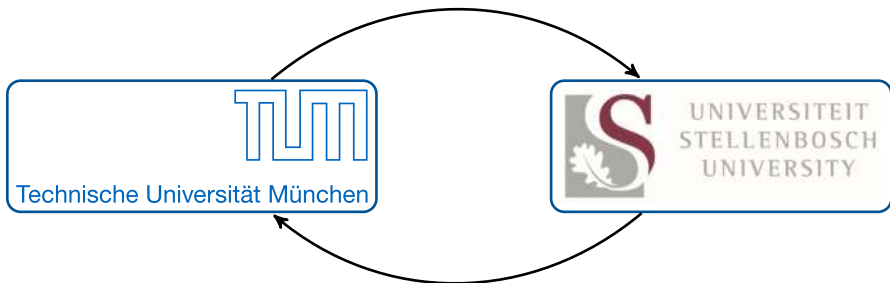
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International cooperation with the University of Stellenbosch, South Africa



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Project partners



CRES (Dr.-Ing. C. Hackl)

- Modeling and control
- Hardware-in-the-Loop (HiL) system

EMLab (Prof. M. Kamper)

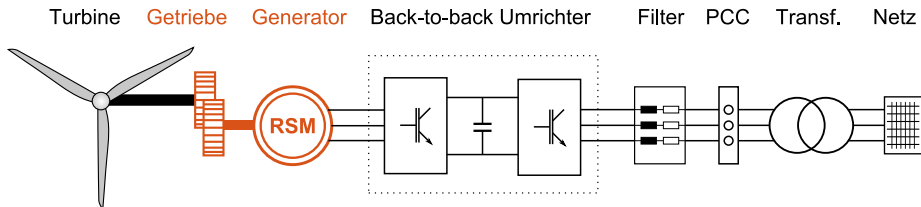
- Modeling (FEM)
- Machine design and construction

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Preparatory work

Modeling, control and simulation of small-scale wind turbine system with RSM [1]



- current control (generator-side)
- maximum torque per Ampere (MTPA)
- speed control (maximum power point tracking (MPPT))
- current control (grid-side)
- DC-link voltage control
- reactive power (feedforward) control

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Reluctance synchronous machine

A view into the machine

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=69mtuom774E&index=4&list=PLg4s1do3XuVlwclLnpyZgvfjd_o4wtA_D (cut version/duration: 0:26 min)

Reluctance synchronous machine

A viable alternative?



Traditional IE2 induction motor



IE4 SynRM motor



<http://www.abb.com>

advantages [2–4]:

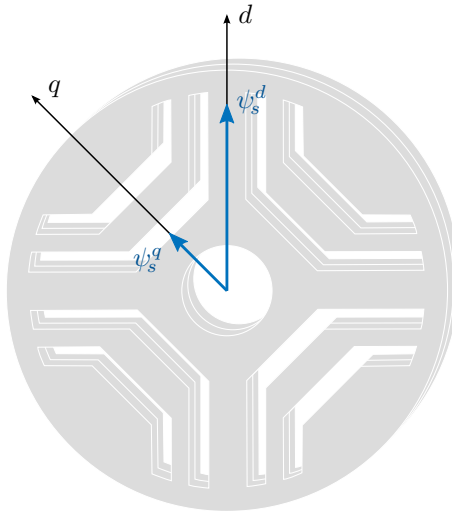
- (very) cheap
- high efficiency feasible (IE4)
- high power density and torque-per-volume ratio
- sensorless control feasible

disadvantages:

- power factor
- highly nonlinear
- inverter necessary
- (complex/nonlinear control necessary)

Reluctance synchronous machine

Flux linkage in the rotor



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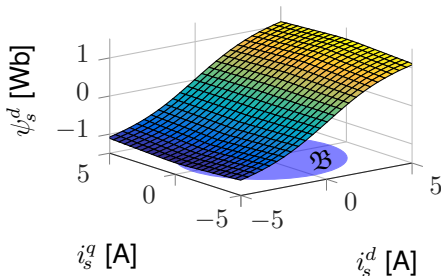
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Nonlinear PI current control of RSM

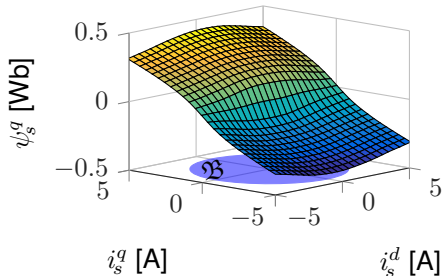
Generic model with nonlinear flux linkage (without iron losses)

$$\mathbf{u}_s^k(t) = R_s \mathbf{i}_s^k(t) + \frac{d}{dt} \boldsymbol{\psi}_s^k(\mathbf{i}_s^k(t)) + \omega_k(t) \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{=: \mathbf{J}} \boldsymbol{\psi}_s^k(\mathbf{i}_s^k(t)),$$

$$m_m(t) = \frac{3}{2} p \boldsymbol{\psi}_s^k(\mathbf{i}_s^k(t))^\top \mathbf{J} \mathbf{i}_s^k(t)$$



(a) *d*-flux linkage

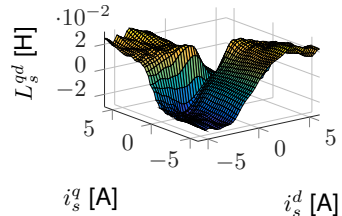
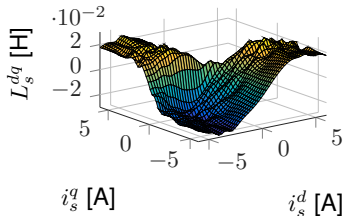
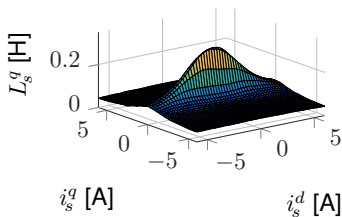
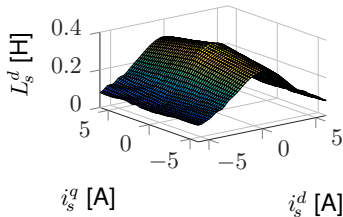


(b) *q*-flux linkage

⇒ **Nonlinear dynamical system!**

Nonlinear PI current control of RSM

Nonlinear inductances $L_s^d := \frac{\partial \psi_s^d}{\partial i_s^d}$, $L_s^q := \frac{\partial \psi_s^q}{\partial i_s^q}$, $L_s^{dq} := \frac{\partial \psi_s^d}{\partial i_s^q} = \frac{\partial \psi_s^q}{\partial i_s^d} =: L_s^{qd}$



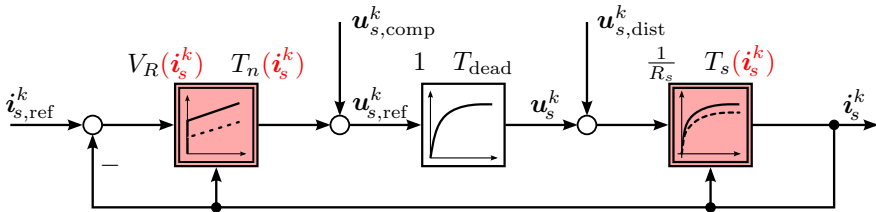
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Nonlinear PI current control of RSM

Control loop (with inverter approximation) and PI controller design



where for the **nonlinear** case we have [1, 5]

- $T_s = T_s(L_s^{dd}(i_s^k), L_s^{dq}(i_s^k), L_s^{qd}(i_s^k), L_s^{qq}(i_s^k))$
- $T_{\text{dead}} \propto f_{\text{pwm}}$
- $u_{s,\text{comp}}^k = u_{s,\text{dist}}^k$ (ideal decoupling)
- Controller design according to **Magnitude Optimum** [6]:

$$\text{Gain: } V_R(i_s^k) = \frac{T_s(i_s^k) R_s}{2T_{\text{dead}}} \quad [\Omega] \quad \wedge \quad \text{Time constant: } T_n(i_s^k) = T_s(i_s^k) \quad [\text{s}]$$

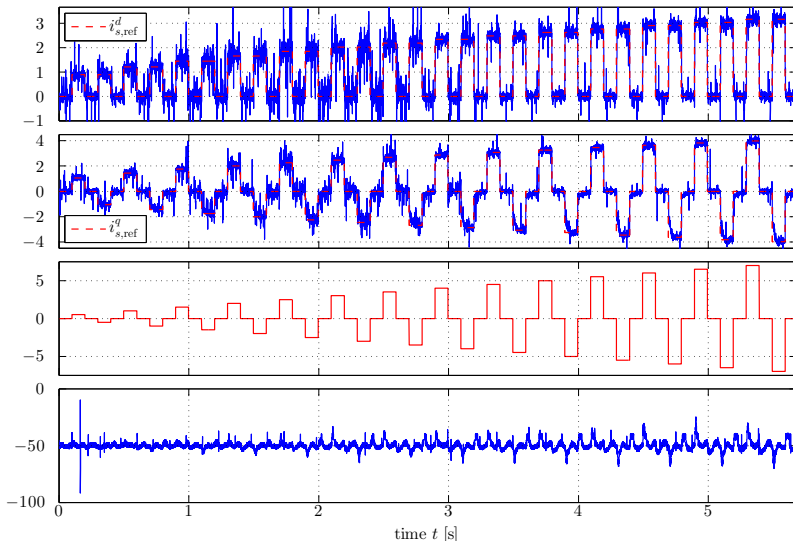
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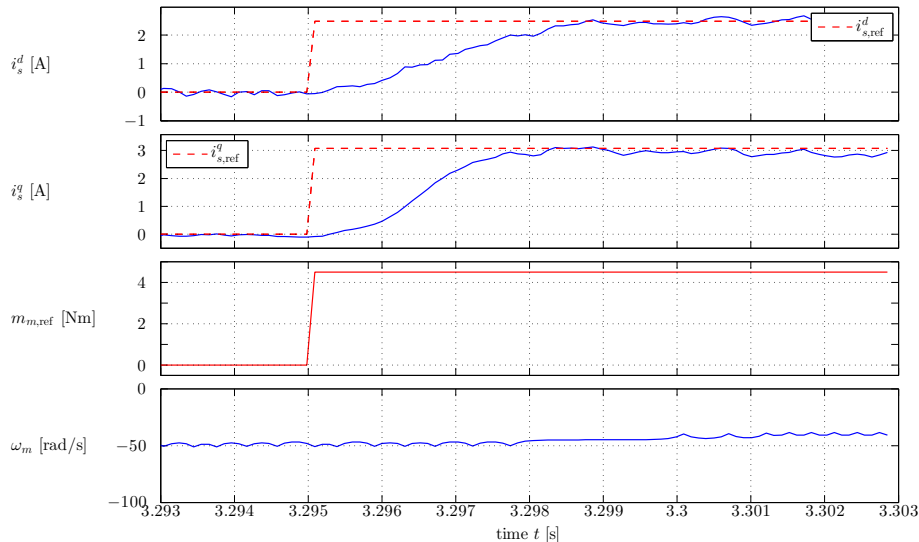
Nonlinear PI current control of RSM

Measurement results for 1,1 kW RSM



Nonlinear PI current control of RSM

Measurement results for 1,1 kW RSM (Zoom)



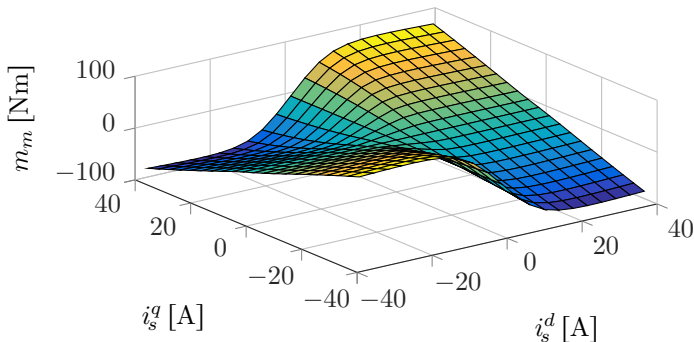
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Maximum Torque per Ampere (MTPA)

Nonlinear machine torque

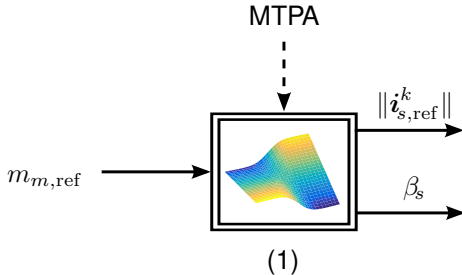


$$m_m(t) = \frac{3}{2} p \boldsymbol{\psi}_s^k(\mathbf{i}_s^k(t))^\top \mathbf{J} \mathbf{i}_s^k(t) = \frac{3}{2} p \left(\psi_s^d(\mathbf{i}_s^k(t)) i_s^q(t) - \psi_s^q(\mathbf{i}_s^k(t)) i_s^d(t) \right) \quad (1)$$

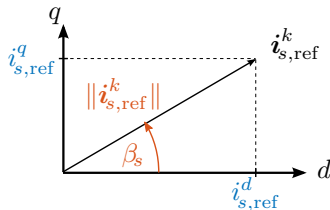
Maximum Torque per Ampere (MTPA)

Torque (feedforward) control: Block diagram

- Goal: Current reference generation $m_{m,\text{ref}} \rightarrow \mathbf{i}_{s,\text{ref}}^k$
- Constraint: High efficiency
 $\Rightarrow$ minimize copper losses $\frac{3}{2}R_s\|\mathbf{i}_s^k\|^2 = \frac{3}{2}R_s[(i_s^d)^2 + (i_s^q)^2]$
- Strategy: *Maximum Torque per Ampere* (MTPA; numerical solution)



(a) Torque feedforward control



(b) Current vector

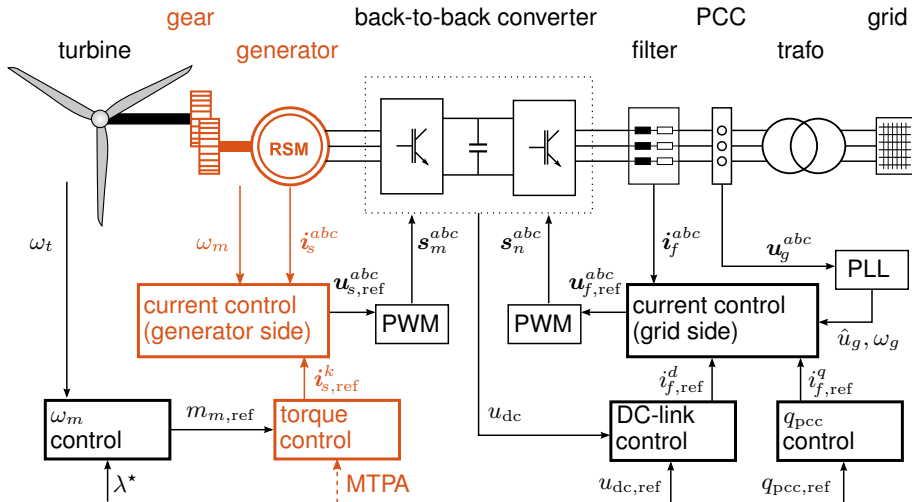
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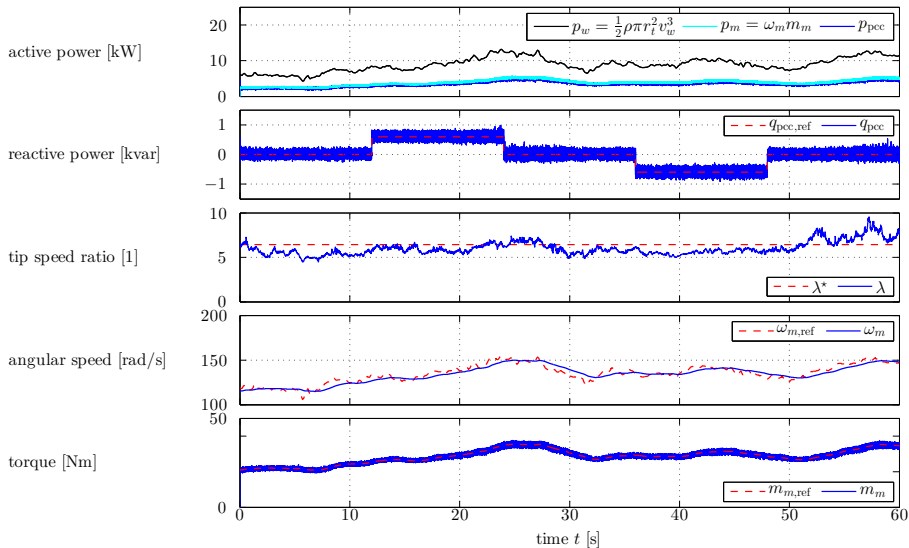
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Small-scale wind turbine system with reluctance synchronous machine (region II)



Overall simulation

Simulation results for overall small-scale wind turbine system (region II)



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Next project phases of Bund der Freunde der TUM e.V. Project



- Modeling [1, 7] ✓
- Exchange ✓
CRES → EMLab
- Control [1, 5, 8] ✓
- Simulation [1, 7] ✓
- HiL system
 - Specification ✓
 - Construction
 - Measurements [5] (✓)
 - Validation (control, efficiency, optimization)
- Machine re-design (FEM)
- Exchange
EMLab → CRES
- Iteration(s)
 - Modeling
 - Controller design
 - Simulation
- Research proposal
- Prototype
- Long-term tests (Stellenbosch / CleanTechCampus)

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