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Artificial Neural Network (ANN) based Optimal Feedforward Torque Control (OFTC) of Synchronous Machines (SMs)

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1 Introduction

Introduction

HM (www.hm.edu), ISES (ises.hm.edu) and LMRES (lmres.ee.hm.edu)



HM – Munich University of Applied Sciences

- 14 departments
- >18.000 students
- ~480 professors
- 3 campuses

ISES – Institute for Sustainable Energy Systems

- 5 research labs
- 5 professors
- 25 PhD candidates

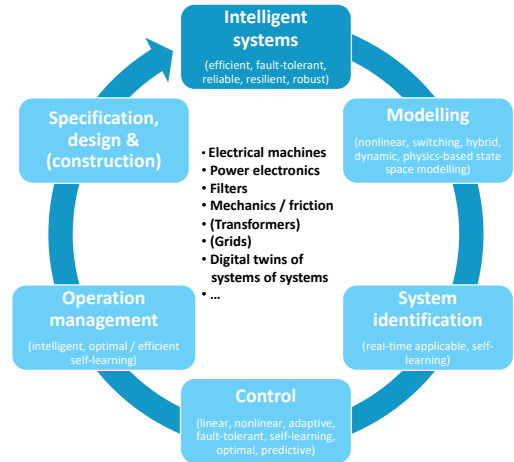
LMRES – Laboratory for Mechatronics and Renewable Energy Systems

- International team
- 14 PhD candidates



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Motivation

Electrical machines: Widely-used, compact and efficient actuators



www.farmwood.co.uk



www.abb.com (from video)



www.bmw.de



www.siemens.com



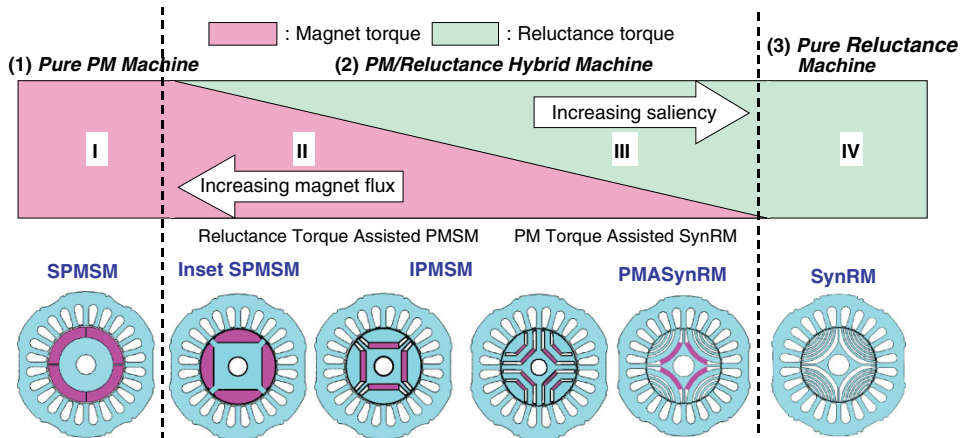
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- buildings (e.g. air conditioning or fans)
- industrial applications (e.g. pumps)
- traction drives (e.g. electric vehicles, trains, etc.)
- power generation (e.g. conventional power plants or wind turbine systems)
- (more) electric aircrafts

Motivation

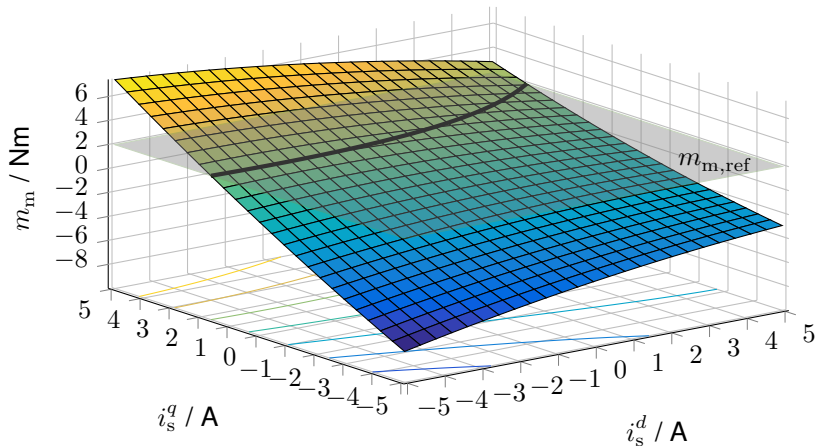
Examples of anisotropic synchronous machines [1] with “saliency ratio” $L_s^d/L_s^q \neq 1$



$$m_m(i_s^d, i_s^q) = \frac{2n_p}{3\kappa^2} (i_s^{dq})^\top \mathbf{J} \psi_s^{dq} \stackrel{\text{(const. Para.)}}{=} \frac{2n_p}{3\kappa^2} \left[\underbrace{\tilde{\psi}_{pm} i_s^q}_{\text{magnetic torque}} + \underbrace{(\tilde{L}_s^d - \tilde{L}_s^q) i_s^d i_s^q}_{\text{reluctance torque}} + \underbrace{\tilde{L}_{s,m} ((i_s^q)^2 - (i_s^d)^2)}_{\text{cross-coupling torque}} \right]$$

Motivation

Optimal feedforward torque control problem: **Anisotropic, affine PMSM** (without iron losses)

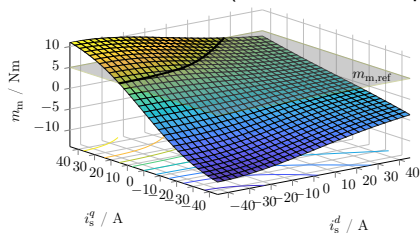


$$m_{m,\text{ref}} \stackrel{!}{=} m_m(\mathbf{i}_s^{dq}) = \frac{2n_p}{3\kappa^2} \left[\tilde{\psi}_{\text{pm}} i_s^q + (\tilde{L}_s^d - \tilde{L}_s^q) i_s^d i_s^q + \tilde{L}_{s,m} ((i_s^q)^2 - (i_s^d)^2) \right] \implies \mathbf{i}_{s,\text{ref}}^{dq} := (\textcolor{red}{?}, \textcolor{red}{?})^\top$$

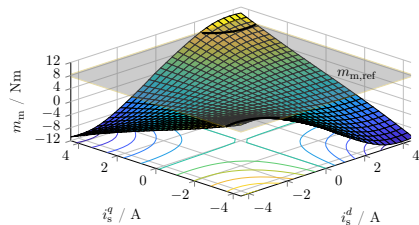
Motivation

Optimal feedforward torque control problem: **Identical for all nonlinear machines**

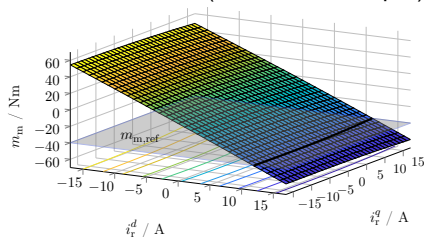
Nonlinear IPMSM (3.9 kW@5 500 rpm)



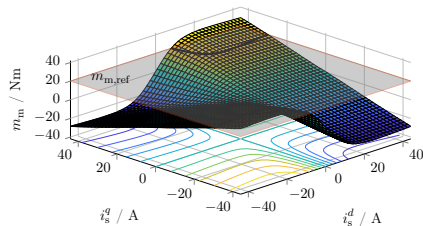
Nonlinear IM (3 kW@1 445 rpm)



Nonlinear DFIM (10 kW@1 500 rpm)



Nonlinear RSM (9.6 kW@1 500 rpm)

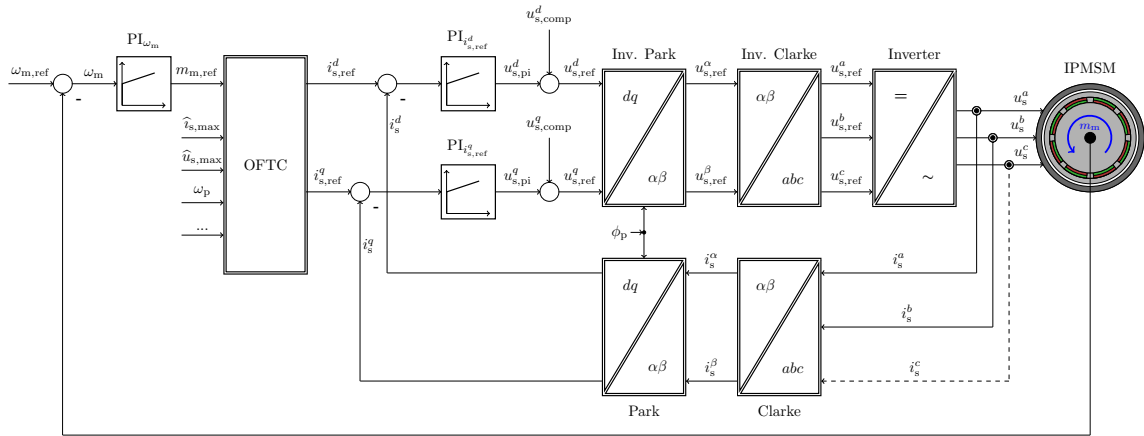


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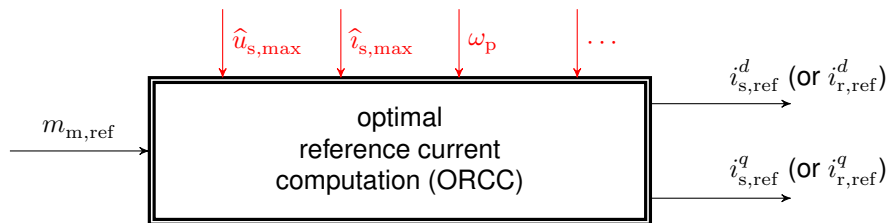
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Optimal feedforward torque control (OFTC) within the control system



Problem statement and proposed solution

Optimal feedforward torque control (OFTC) problem: Optimal reference current computation (ORCC)



$$\mathbf{i}_{s,ref}^{dq}(m_{m,ref}, \hat{u}_{s,max}, \hat{i}_{s,max}, \omega_p, \dots) = \begin{pmatrix} i_{s,ref}^d(m_{m,ref}, \hat{u}_{s,max}, \hat{i}_{s,max}, \omega_p, \dots) \\ i_{s,ref}^q(m_{m,ref}, \hat{u}_{s,max}, \hat{i}_{s,max}, \omega_p, \dots) \end{pmatrix}$$

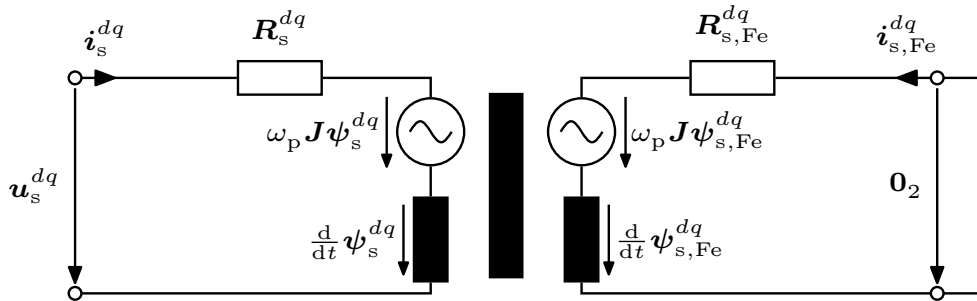
✓ Numerical solutions and/or look-up tables
(but: limited storage, accuracy, real-time applicability)

? Analytical solutions

(some do exist but impose simplifying assumptions such as $R_s = 0$, $R_{s,Fe} = 0$ and/or $L_{s,m} = 0$, etc.)

Problem statement and proposed solution

Considered anisotropic synchronous machines with iron losses: **Nonlinear transformer model**

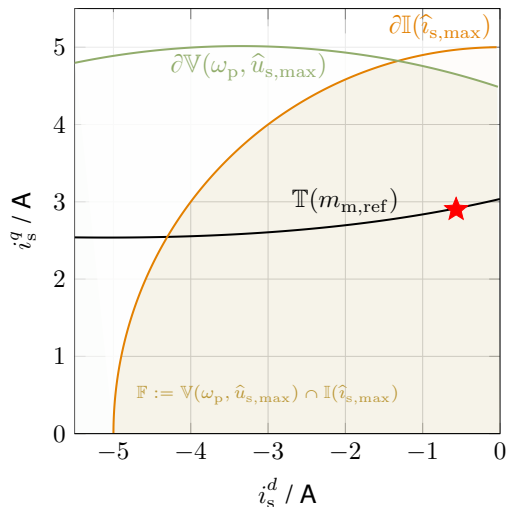


with $\psi_s^{dq} = \psi_{s,Fe}^{dq}$ (single assumption!) and (possibly) *nonlinear*

- *current, angle, speed and temperature dependent stator resistance, i.e.* $R_s^{dq} := R_s^{dq}(i_s^{dq}, \phi_p, \omega_p, \vartheta_s)$
- *current, angle, speed and temperature dependent iron resistance, i.e.* $R_{s,Fe}^{dq} := R_{s,Fe}^{dq}(i_s^{dq}, \phi_p, \omega_p, \vartheta_s)$
- *current, angle, speed and temperature dependent flux linkages, i.e.* $\psi_s^{dq} := \psi_s^{dq}(i_s^{dq}, \phi_p, \omega_p, \vartheta_s)$

Problem statement and proposed solution

Optimal reference current computation (ORCC): Optimization problem(s) with multiple constraints



$$\max_{\mathbf{i}_s^{dq} \in \mathbb{F}} -f(\mathbf{i}_s^{dq}) \quad \text{subject to}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \|\mathbf{i}_s^{dq}\|^2 \leq \hat{i}_{s,\max}^2, \\ \text{(current circular area)} \\ \|\mathbf{u}_s^{dq}(\mathbf{i}_s^{dq}, \omega_p, \dots)\|^2 \leq \hat{u}_{s,\max}^2, \\ \text{(voltage elliptical area)} \\ |m_m(\mathbf{i}_s^{dq}, \omega_p, \dots)| \leq |m_{m,\text{ref}}|, \\ \text{and } \text{sign}(m_{m,\text{ref}}) = \\ \text{sign}(m_m(\mathbf{i}_s^{dq})). \end{array} \right.$$

$\Rightarrow$ e.g. minimize copper losses,
i.e., $-f(\mathbf{i}_s^{dq}) = -\|\mathbf{i}_s^{dq}\|^2$.

$\Rightarrow \mathbf{i}_{s,\text{ref}}^{dq} = \mathbf{i}_{s,\text{MTPC}}^{dq}$ at $\star$, i.e., MTPC
with $m_{m,\text{ref}} = m_m(\mathbf{i}_{s,\text{ref}}^{dq})$ feasible.

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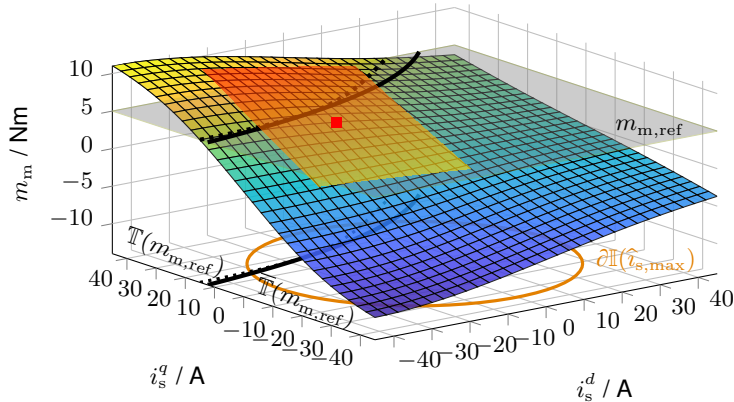
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OFTC with analytical ORCC: Analytical computation

Sequential Quadratic Programming (SCP): Linearization, implicit formulation, optimization & intersection points

Step 1: Online linearization of flux linkages, machine torque, iron resistance, etc.: for example:

- **flux linkages** (first-order Taylor approximation around operating point $\bar{i}_s^{dq}$ [■])
- **machine torque** (second-order Taylor approximation around operating point $\bar{i}_s^{dq}$ [■])



OFTC with analytical ORCC: Analytical computation

Sequential Quadratic Programming (SCP): Linearization, implicit formulation, optimization & intersection points

Step 2: Derivation of quadrics $Q_A(\mathbf{i}_s^{dq}) := (\mathbf{i}_s^{dq})^\top \mathbf{A} \mathbf{i}_s^{dq} + 2\mathbf{a}^\top \mathbf{i}_s^{dq} + \alpha$:

- Current circular area: $(i_s^d)^2 + (i_s^q)^2 \leq \hat{i}_{s,\max}^2 \iff \|\mathbf{i}_s^{dq}\|^2 = (\mathbf{i}_s^{dq})^\top \mathbf{I}_2 \mathbf{i}_s^{dq} \leq \hat{i}_{s,\max}^2$

$$\implies \mathbb{I}(\hat{i}_{s,\max}) := \{ \mathbf{i}_s^{dq} \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid (\mathbf{i}_s^{dq})^\top \mathbf{I}_2 \mathbf{i}_s^{dq} - \hat{i}_{s,\max}^2 \leq 0 \}$$

- (Linearized) Voltage elliptical area: $(u_s^d)^2 + (u_s^q)^2 \leq \hat{u}_{s,\max}^2 \iff \|\mathbf{u}_s^{dq}(\mathbf{i}_s^{dq}, \omega_p, \dots)\|^2 = \dots \leq \hat{u}_{s,\max}^2$

$$\implies \overline{\mathbb{V}}(\hat{u}_{s,\max}) := \{ \mathbf{i}_s^{dq} \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid (\mathbf{i}_s^{dq})^\top \overline{\mathbf{V}}(\bar{\omega}_p) \mathbf{i}_s^{dq} + 2\bar{\mathbf{v}}(\bar{\omega}_p)^\top \mathbf{i}_s^{dq} + \bar{\nu}(\bar{\omega}_p, \hat{u}_{s,\max}) \leq 0 \}$$

- (Linearized) Reference torque hyperbola: $m_m(\mathbf{i}_s^{dq}, \omega_p, \dots) = \frac{3}{2}n_p(\mathbf{i}_s^{dq} + \mathbf{i}_{s,\text{Fe}}^{dq})^\top \mathbf{J}\boldsymbol{\psi}_s^{dq} \stackrel{!}{=} m_{m,\text{ref}} \iff \dots$

$$\implies \overline{\mathbb{T}}(m_{m,\text{ref}}) := \{ \mathbf{i}_s^{dq} \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid (\mathbf{i}_s^{dq})^\top \overline{\mathbf{T}} \mathbf{i}_s^{dq} + 2\bar{\mathbf{t}}^\top \mathbf{i}_s^{dq} - m_{m,\text{ref}} = 0 \}$$

■ ...

OFTC with analytical ORCC: Analytical computation

Sequential Quadratic Programming (SCP): Linearization, implicit formulation, optimization & intersection points

Step 3: Optimization problem with equality constraint

$$\max_{\mathbf{i}_s^{dq}} - \left(\underbrace{(\mathbf{i}_s^{dq})^\top \mathbf{A} \mathbf{i}_s^{dq} + 2\mathbf{a}^\top \mathbf{i}_s^{dq} + \alpha}_{=: Q_A(\mathbf{i}_s^{dq})} \right) \text{ s.t. } \underbrace{(\mathbf{i}_s^{dq})^\top \mathbf{B} \mathbf{i}_s^{dq} + 2\mathbf{b}^\top \mathbf{i}_s^{dq} + \beta}_{=: Q_B(\mathbf{i}_s^{dq})} = 0$$

$\implies$ Hyperbolas for e.g. MTPC, MTPL or MTPV (with $R_s, R_{s,Fe} \neq 0$ & $L_{s,m} \neq 0$, etc.)

Step 4: Intersection of two quadrics (e.g. voltage ellipse and current circle)

$$\mathbf{i}_{s,\text{ref}}^{dq} := \arg \min_{\|\mathbf{i}_s^{dq}\|} \left\{ \mathbf{i}_s^{dq} \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid Q_A(\mathbf{i}_s^{dq}) = 0 \wedge Q_B(\mathbf{i}_s^{dq}) = 0 \right\}$$

$\implies$ Optimal operation point ★ (reference current; iteration possibly necessary)

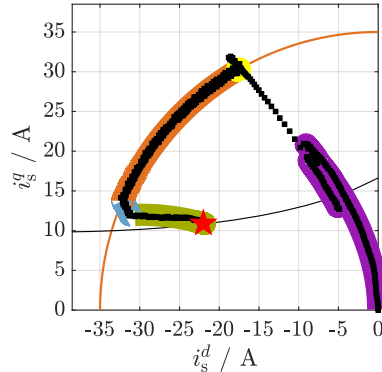
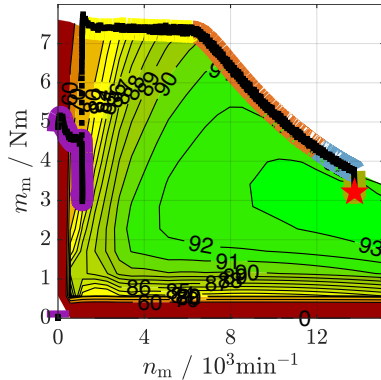
Both lead to subproblem of solving a fourth-order (quartic) polynomial

$$\chi(\lambda) := c_4 \lambda^4 + c_3 \lambda^3 + c_2 \lambda^2 + c_1 \lambda + c_0 \stackrel{!}{=} 0$$

$\implies$ Analytical solutions exist (e.g. Euler's solution, see [2])

OFTC with analytical ORCC: Operation strategies

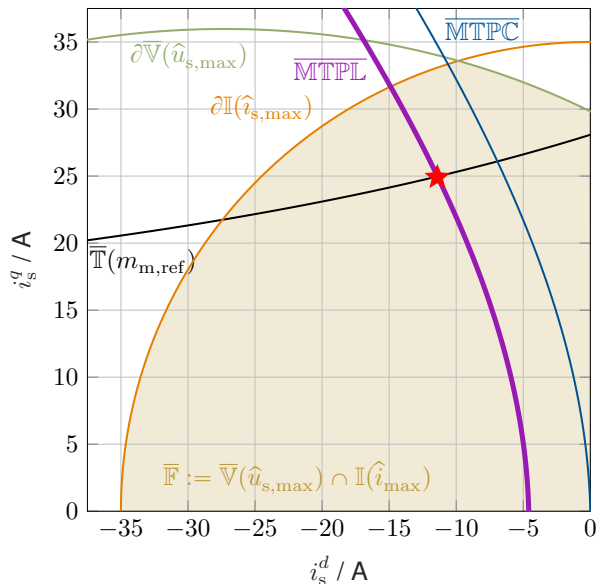
Overview



- Maximum Torque per Losses (MTPL) [purple] (or Maximum Torque per Current (MTPC) [blue])
- Maximum Current (MC) [orange] and Maximum Current extended (MC_{ext}) [yellow]
- Maximum Torque per Voltage (MTPV) [light blue] (or Maximum Torque per Flux (MTPF))
- Field Weakening (FW) [green]

OFTC with analytical ORCC: Operation strategies

Maximum Torque per Losses (**MTPL** @ $1 \cdot \omega_{m,R}$): Reference torque **feasible**



Optimization problem

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{\mathbf{i}_s^{dq} \in \bar{\mathbb{F}}} & -p_{s,Cu}(\mathbf{i}_s^{dq}) - p_{s,Fe}(\mathbf{i}_s^{dq}) \quad \text{s.t.} \\ & \underbrace{(\mathbf{i}_s^{dq})^\top \bar{\mathbf{T}} \mathbf{i}_s^{dq} + 2 \bar{\mathbf{t}}^\top \mathbf{i}_s^{dq}}_{\approx m_m(\mathbf{i}_s^{dq})} - m_{m,ref} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Solution set

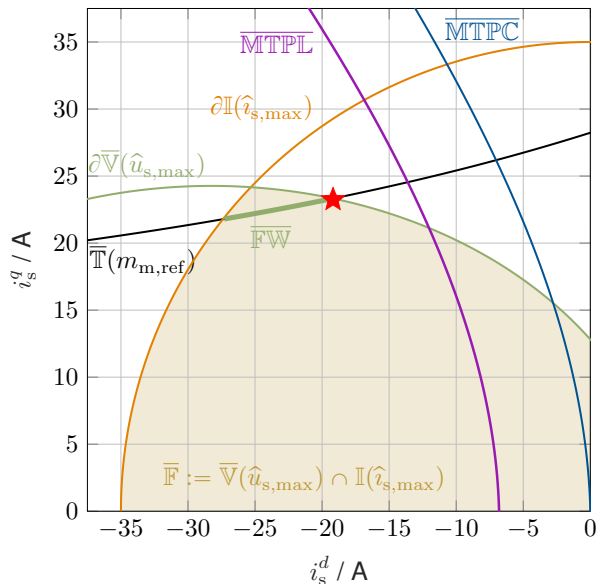
$$\begin{aligned} \overline{\text{MTPL}}(\bar{\mathbf{i}}_s^{dq}, \bar{\omega}_p, \dots) &:= \{ \mathbf{i}_s^{dq} \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid \\ & (\mathbf{i}_s^{dq})^\top \bar{\mathbf{M}}_L \mathbf{i}_s^{dq} + 2 \bar{\mathbf{m}}_L^\top \mathbf{i}_s^{dq} + \bar{\mu}_L = 0 \} \end{aligned}$$

Optimal reference currents (★)

$$\mathbf{i}_{s,\text{MTPL}}^{dq} = \overline{\text{MTPL}} \cap \bar{\mathbf{T}}(m_{m,ref})$$

OFTC with analytical ORCC: Operation strategies

Field Weakening (**FW** @ $1.40 \cdot \omega_{m,R}$): Reference torque **feasible**



Optimization problem

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{\mathbf{i}_s^{dq} \in \bar{\mathbb{F}}} & -p_{s,Cu}(\mathbf{i}_s^{dq}) - p_{s,Fe}(\mathbf{i}_s^{dq}) \quad \text{s.t.} \\ & \underbrace{(\mathbf{i}_s^{dq})^\top \mathbf{T} \mathbf{i}_s^{dq} + 2 \mathbf{t}^\top \mathbf{i}_s^{dq}}_{=m_m(\mathbf{i}_s^{dq})} - m_{m,ref} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Feasible set

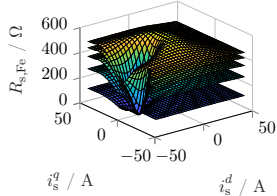
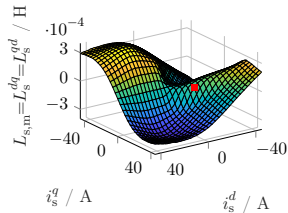
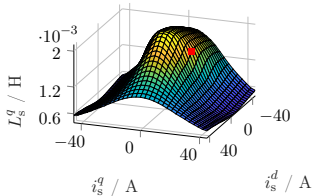
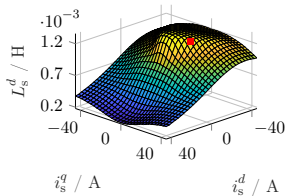
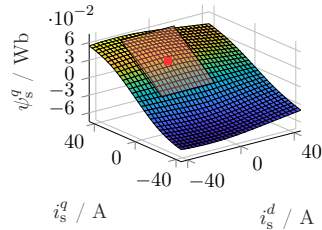
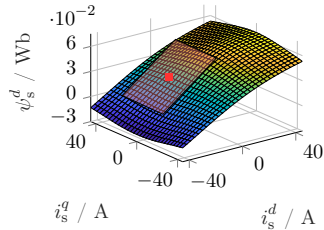
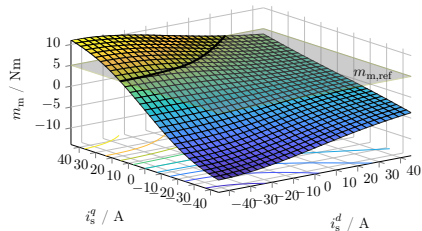
$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\mathbb{F}}\bar{\mathbb{W}}(\bar{\mathbf{i}}_s^{dq}, \bar{\omega}_p, \dots, m_{m,ref}, \hat{u}_{s,max}, \hat{i}_{s,max}) := \\ \bar{\mathbb{F}}(\hat{u}_{s,max}, \hat{i}_{s,max}) \cap \bar{\mathbb{T}}(m_{m,ref}) \end{aligned}$$

Optimal reference currents (★)

$$\mathbf{i}_{s,FW}^{dq} = \partial \bar{\mathbb{V}}(\hat{u}_{s,max}) \cap \bar{\mathbb{T}}(m_{m,ref})$$

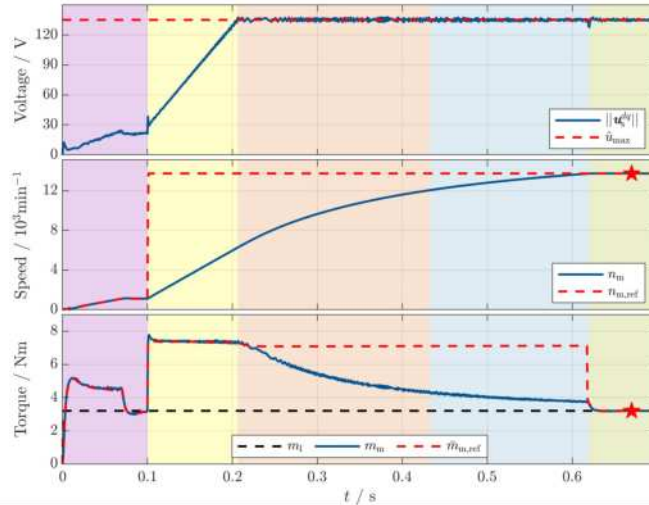
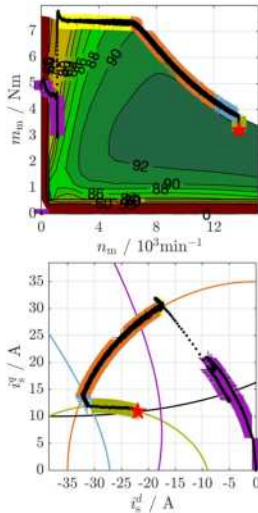
OFTC with analytical ORCC: Implementation results

IPMSM (3.9 kW@5 500 rpm): Nonlinear maps of torque, flux linkages, differential inductances and iron resistance



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IPMSM (3.9 kW@5 500 rpm): Animation



MTPL [purple]

MC_{ext} [yellow]

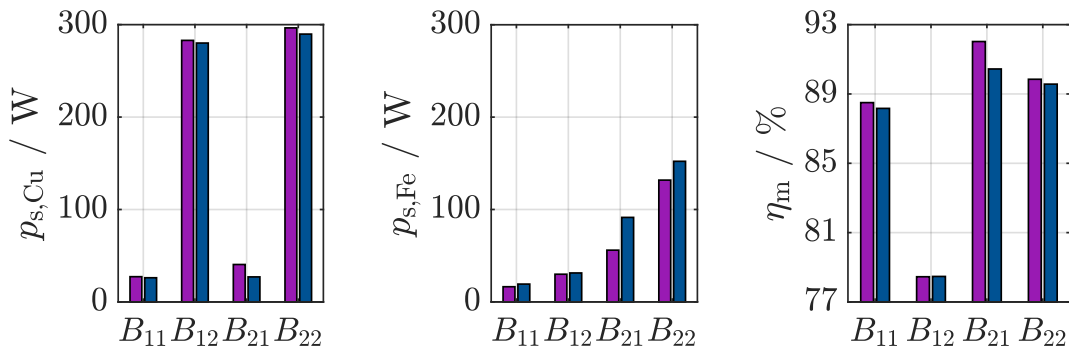
MC [orange]

MTPV [blue]

FW [green]

OFTC with analytical ORCC: Implementation results

IPMSM (3.9 kW@5 500 rpm): Comparison of MTPL [■] & MTPC [■] for **four** operating points (OPs)



OP	Speed	Torque
B_{11}	30% $n_{m,R}$	30% $m_{m,R}$
B_{12}	30% $n_{m,R}$	100% $m_{m,R}$
B_{21}	100% $n_{m,R}$	30% $m_{m,R}$
B_{22}	100% $n_{m,R}$	100% $m_{m,R}$

- Copper losses increase with torque
- Iron losses increase with speed *and* torque
- MTPL outperforms MTPC for three OPs (equal for B_{12})
- highest efficiency enhancement for high speeds and low(er) torque (i.e., B_{21} with $\Delta\eta_m > 2\%$)

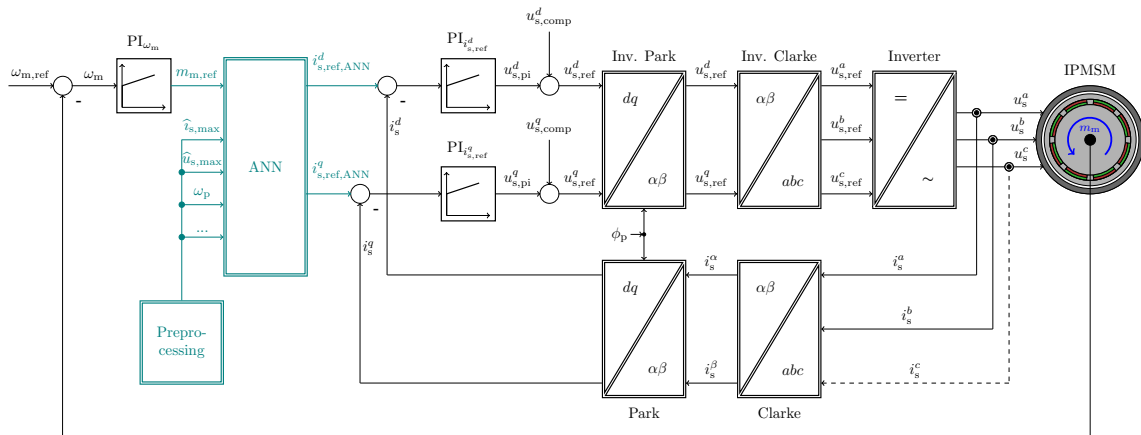
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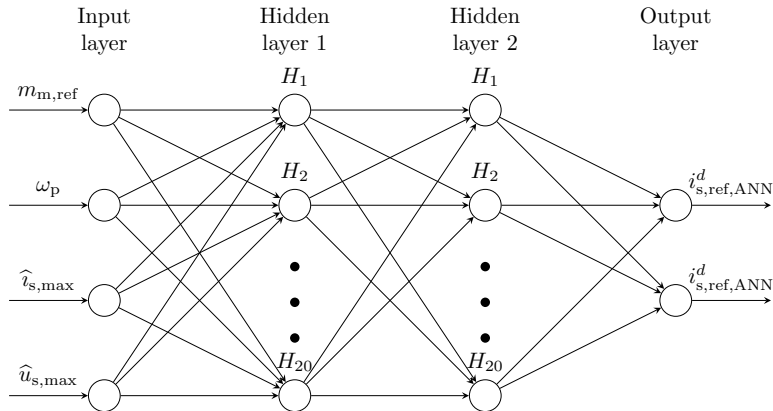
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OFTC with ANN-based ORCC: Artificial Neural Network Design

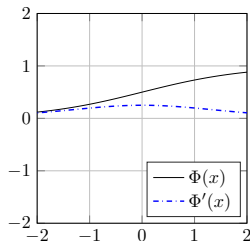
Used ANN topology



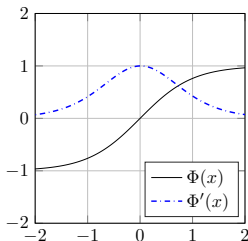
$$\hat{\mathbf{y}} = \begin{pmatrix} i_{ref,ANN}^d \\ i_{ref,ANN}^q \end{pmatrix} = \Phi_4 \left(\mathbf{W}_4 \Phi_3 \left(\mathbf{W}_3 \Phi_2 \left(\mathbf{W}_2 \Phi_1 \left(\underbrace{\mathbf{W}_1 \begin{pmatrix} m_{m,ref} \\ \omega_p \\ \hat{i}_{s,max} \\ \hat{u}_{s,max} \end{pmatrix}}_{=: \mathbf{x}} + \mathbf{b}_1 \right) + \mathbf{b}_2 \right) \right) + \mathbf{b}_3 \right) + \mathbf{b}_4 \right).$$

OFTC with ANN-based ORCC: Artificial Neural Network Design

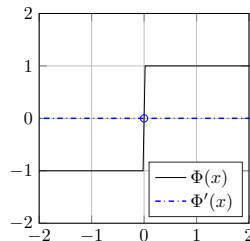
Possible and used ANN activation function



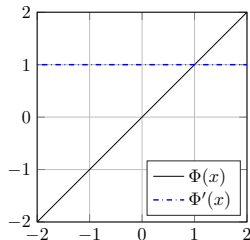
(a) Sigmoid.



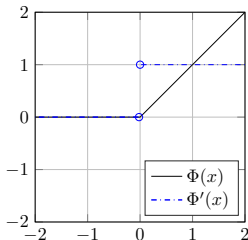
(b) Tangens hyperbolicus.



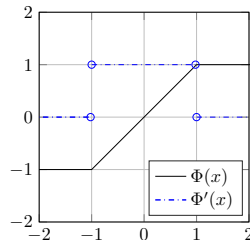
(c) Signum (sign).



(d) Identity.



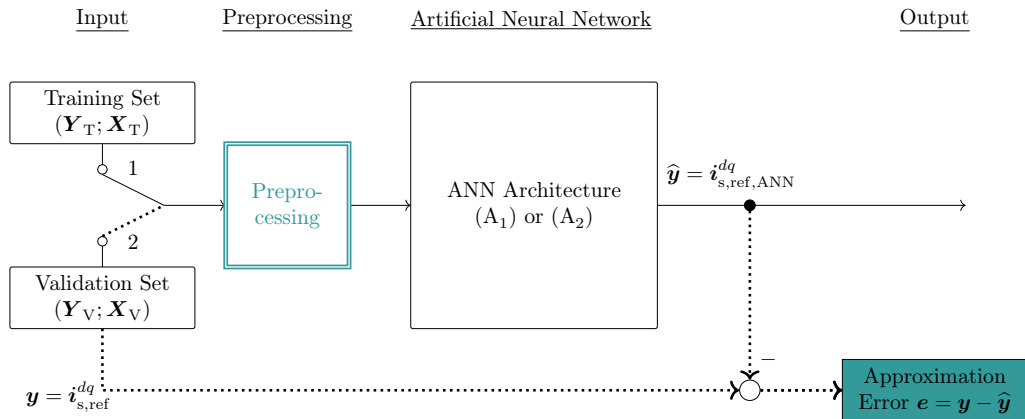
(e) Rectified Linear Unit (ReLU).



(f) Saturation.

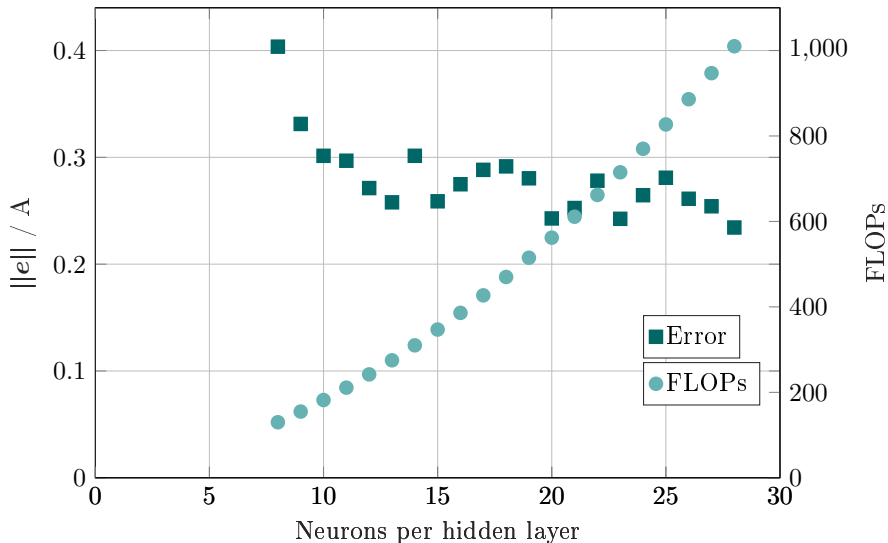
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ANN training and validation



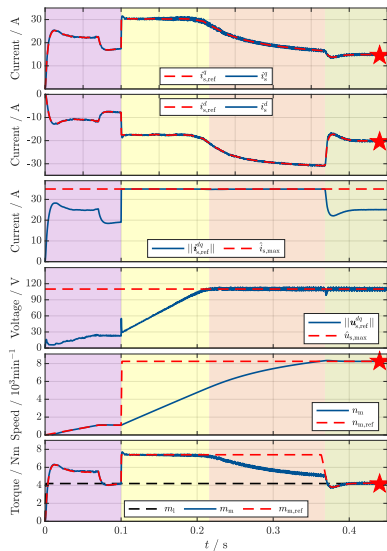
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Estimation accuracy (norm of estimation error) versus floating point operations

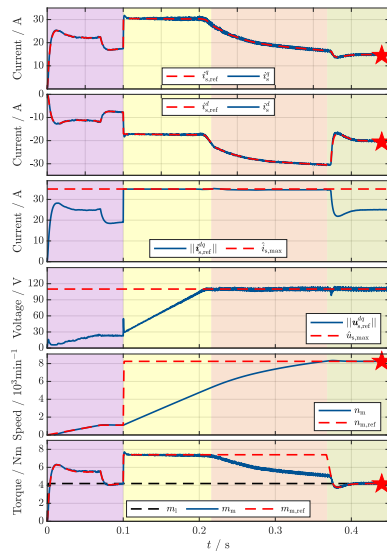


OFTC with ANN-based ORCC: Implementation results

Time series



(a) OFTC with analytical ORCC (OFTC_{ANA}).



(b) ANN-based OFTC (OFTC_{ANN}).

OFTC with ANN-based ORCC: Implementation results

Performance comparison and execution times

Performance measure	$\mathbf{X=OFTC}_{\text{LUT}}$	$\mathbf{X=OFTC}_{\text{NUM}}$	$\mathbf{X=OFTC}_{\text{ANA}}$	$\mathbf{X=OFTC}_{\text{ANN}}$
$\int i_{s,\text{ref},\text{OFTC}_{\text{NLP}}}^d - i_{s,\text{ref},\text{X}}^d dt$	0.176 As	0.186 As	0.384 As	0.227 As
$\int i_{s,\text{ref},\text{OFTC}_{\text{NLP}}}^q - i_{s,\text{ref},\text{X}}^q dt$	0.195 As	0.207 As	0.256 As	0.213 As
$\int m_{\text{ref},\text{X}} - m_{\text{m}} dt$	0.018 Nms	0.017 Nms	0.026 Nms	0.020 Nms
$\int \hat{u}_{s,\text{max}} - \ \mathbf{u}_{s,\text{ref},\text{X}}^{dq}\ dt$	0.445 Vs	0.446 Vs	0.454 Vs	0.459 Vs
$\int \hat{i}_{s,\text{max}} - \ \mathbf{i}_{s,\text{ref},\text{X}}^{dq}\ dt$	0.010 As	0.000 As	0.000 As	0.059 As
$\int n_{\text{m},\text{ref}} - n_{\text{m},\text{X}} dt$	$752.4 \frac{\text{s}}{\text{min}}$	$750.9 \frac{\text{s}}{\text{min}}$	$752.6 \frac{\text{s}}{\text{min}}$	$757.8 \frac{\text{s}}{\text{min}}$
$\bar{t}_{\text{exec},\text{X}}$	2 734.782 μs	448.745 μs	439.671 μs	5.855 μs

Outline

6 Conclusion

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Summary and future work

To take home

- **Unified** framework for OFTC with analytical ORCC for **MTPL** (MTPC), FW, MC_(ext) & MTPV (MTPF) based on [3–7] and [8, Chapt. 6.9]
 - **online linearization**,
 - **quadrics** (implicit formulation),
 - **optimization problems** with **equality constraint**, and
 - **intersection** of two quadrics
- **Novel** OFTC with **analytical but ANN-based** ORCC (no decision tree required)
- Performance aspects:
 - Consideration of $R_s \neq 0$, $R_{s,Fe} \neq 0$ and $L_{s,m} \neq 0$ and current, speed, angle & temperature dependency (all **feasible** and **simultaneously**)
 - **fast(er)** and **more accurate** computation (ANN the fastest)
 - **applicable** in real-world (e.g. nonlinear RSM, PME-RSM or IPMSM; also IMs or DFIMs)

Future work

- more extensive experimental validation
- impact of (parameter/modelling/alignment) uncertainties
- consideration of *rotor* iron losses (e.g. for IMs), *current transients* and *multi-phase* machines
- combination with minimization of *conduction and switching losses* [9]

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Artificial Neural Network Based Optimal Feedforward Torque Control of Interior Permanent Magnet Synchronous Machines: A Feasibility Study and Comparison with the State-of-the-Art

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Abstract: A novel Artificial Neural Network (ANN) Based Optimal Feedforward Torque Control (OFTC) strategy is proposed which, after proper ANN design, training and validation, allows to analytically compute the optimal reference currents (minimizing copper and iron losses) for Interior Permanent Magnet Synchronous Machines (IPMSMs) with highly operating point dependent nonlinear electric and magnetic characteristics. In contrast to conventional OFTC, which either utilizes large look-up tables (LUTs; with more than three input parameters) or computes the optimal reference currents numerically or analytically but iteratively (due to the necessary online linearization), the proposed ANN-based OFTC strategy does not require iterations nor a decision tree to find the optimal operation strategy such as e.g., Maximum Torque per Losses (MTPL), Maximum Current (MC) or Field Weakening (FW). Therefore, it is (much) faster and easier to implement while (i) still



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A unified theory for optimal feedforward torque control of anisotropic synchronous machines

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ABSTRACT

A unified theory for optimal feedforward torque control of anisotropic synchronous machines with *non-negligible stator resistance* and *mutual inductance* is presented which allows to *analytically* compute (1) the optimal direct and quadrature reference currents for all operating strategies, such as maximum torque per current (MTPC), maximum current, field weakening, maximum torque per voltage (MTPV) or maximum torque per flux (MTPF), and (2) the transition points indicating when to switch between the operating strategies due to speed, voltage or current constraints. The analytical solutions allow for an (almost) instantaneous selection and computation of actual operation strategy and corresponding reference currents. Numerical methods (approximating these solutions only) are *no longer* required. The unified theory is based on one simple idea: all optimisation problems, their respective constraints and the computation of the intersection point(s) of voltage ellipse, current circle or torque, MTPC, MTPV, MTPF hyperbolas are reformulated implicitly as *quadratics* which allows to invoke the Lagrangian formalism and to find the roots of fourth-order polynomials analytically. The proposed theory is suitable for any anisotropic synchronous machine. Implementation and measurement results illustrate effectiveness and applicability of the theoretical findings in real world.

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Generic loss minimization for nonlinear synchronous machines by analytical computation of optimal reference currents considering copper and iron losses

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Abstract—The unified theory introduced in [1] allows to solve *analytically* the optimal feedforward torque control (OFTC) problem of anisotropic synchronous machines (SMs). In this paper, the theory is extended by considering relevant machine nonlinearities and incorporating copper *and* iron losses, thus minimizing the overall (steady-state) losses in the machine. Instead of the well known maximum torque per current (MTPC) operation strategy, *maximum torque per losses (MTPL)* is realized. The unified theory for the derivation of the analytical solution is briefly recapitulated. Moreover, current *and* speed dependent iron losses, as well as magnetic saturation and cross-coupling effects are considered. The resulting nonlinear optimization problem is solved via online linearization of the relevant expressions

for synchronous machines (SMs) with anisotropic rotor designs, e.g. interior permanent magnet synchronous machines (IPMSMs), reluctance synchronous machines (RSMs) or PM-assisted RMSs (PMA-RSMs), efficiency can be increased by optimal feedforward torque control (OFTC) [3, 4].

The main idea of OFTC is to exploit the ambiguity in the selection of the stator current's *direct* and *quadrature* components (producing the same amount of torque), such that losses are minimized while physical constraints are satisfied (e.g. current or voltage limits). Depending on the actual operating conditions, different optimization problems may be formulated

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Optimal feedforward torque control for nonlinear induction machines considering stator & rotor copper losses and current & voltage limits

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Abstract—In order to *analytically* solve the optimal feedforward torque control (OFTC) problem of induction machines (IMs), the unified theory for synchronous machine introduced in [1] is extended by considering relevant IM *nonlinearities* and incorporating stator *and* rotor copper losses. Instead of the well known *Maximum Torque per (stator) Current* (MTPC) operation strategy, *Maximum Torque per (copper) Losses* (MTPL_{Cu}) is realized and extended by the *Maximum (rotor) Current* (MC_{r, ext}) strategy due to stator *and* rotor current limitations. Modeling magnetic saturation and cross-coupling effects leads to a constrained *nonlinear* optimization problem which is solved based on the idea of *sequential quadratic programming* (SQP). The second order Taylor approximations are formulated in implicit

generic approach can also be applied to other types of inverter-fed IMs, such as squirrel-cage induction machines (SCIMs).

The highest priority of the OFTC is to provide the reference torque while minimizing losses. In a wide operating range, there usually exist (infinitely many) different combinations of reference currents resulting in the same torque. Thus, an optimal reference current computation (ORCC) is desirable which minimizes the current-dependent IM losses while reaching the reference torque and taking into account operating (e.g. current & voltage) limits. To do so, this paper proposes a physics-based nonlinear IM model for analytical ORCC

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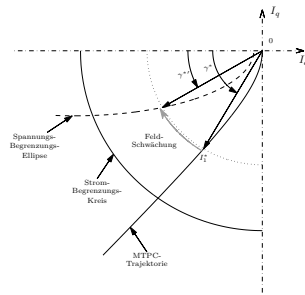
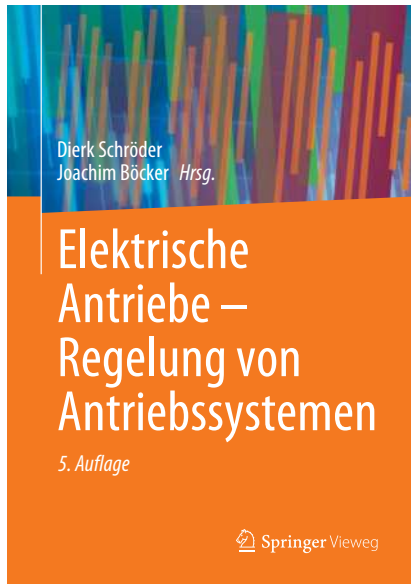


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6.9 Optimale Betriebsführung von nichtlinearen Synchronmaschinen

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Der folgende Abschnitt basiert auf den Publikationen [HH16; Eld+16; EHK16; Eld+17b; Hac+17; Eld+17a]. Darin wurde die erste allgemeine Theorie zur analytischen Berechnung der optimalen (verlustminimierenden) Sollströme für anisotrope Synchronmaschinen mit konstanter Erregung vorgestellt. Die weithin verbreiteten und vereinfachten Annahmen wie z. B. die Vernachlässigung des Statorwiderstandes oder der magnetischen Kreuzkopplung konnten aufgehoben werden. Zusätzlich erlaubt die Theorie die Berücksichtigung von Eisenverlusten und Nicht-

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