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Unit 4 – STARTING AND SPEED CONTROL OF THREE PHASE INDUCTION MOTOR

Topic 4: Speed Control of Induction motors



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Introduction to Induction Motor Speed Control



Overview: Induction motors are widely used in industrial applications due to their robustness and simplicity. Controlling their speed is essential for energy efficiency and process optimization.







Common Methods

- V/f Control (Volts per Hertz)
- Stator Voltage Control
- Pole Changing (Dahlander Connection) •
- **Cascaded Connection** •









V/f Control (Volts per Hertz)

Principle: Maintains a constant ratio between the

applied voltage and frequency to keep the magnetic

flux constant, ensuring stable motor operation.

Diagram: Block diagram of open-loop V/f control

system.

Advantages: Simple implementation Suitable for

constant torque applications

Limitations: Not ideal for variable torque loads Open-

loop system lacks feedback for speed regulation





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Stator Voltage Control

Principle: Adjusts the stator voltage to control the motor speed. The

voltage is typically varied using thyristor-based controllers.

Diagram: Circuit diagram showing thyristor voltage controller.

Advantages: Simple and cost-effective

Provides smooth speed control

Limitations: Less efficient at low speeds

Torque decreases with speed reduction







Pole Changing (Dahlander Connection)

Principle: Changes the number of poles in the stator winding by altering the coil connections, resulting in different synchronous speeds.

Diagram: Winding diagram for pole changing.

Advantages:

Provides discrete speed options

Maintains constant torque across speeds

Limitations:

Requires complex switching mechanisms

Limited to specific speed ratios











Cascaded Connection

Principle: Uses multiple motors connected in series or parallel to

achieve desired speed and torque characteristics.

Diagram: Illustration of cascaded motor connection.

Advantages:

Flexible speed and torque control

Reduces mechanical stress on individual motors

Limitations:

Complex control systems

Higher initial cost

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Connections for 4 poles

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Comparison Table

Method	Speed Control Type	Torque Behavior	Complexity
V/f Control	Continuous	Constant	Low
Stator Voltage Control	Continuous	Decreases with speed	Medium
Pole Changing	Discrete	Constant	High
Cascaded Connection	Flexible	Variable	High

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Cost

Low

Medium

Medium

High

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Conclusion

Summary: Each speed control method has its unique advantages and is suitable for specific applications. The choice depends on factors like required speed range, torque characteristics, system complexity, and cost.

Recommendation: For applications requiring precise speed control and variable torque, V/f control or cascaded connections are preferable. For simple, cost-effective solutions, pole changing or stator voltage control may be adequate.









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