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Low-Cost Fault Tolerant Based Speed  
Sensorless Vector Control of Induction  
Motor Drive System

Induction motor is a cast of alternating current motor where charge endures allotted to the rotor close-at-hand deputation of conductive charge. These motors are broadly applied in industrial claim due to they are arduous along with adhere no contacts. To develop highly reliable and fault tolerant induction motor drive system a major concern and extensive research has been dedicated. This paper presented the performance analysis of fault tolerant of three phase inverter fed speed sensorless control of three phase induction motor drive. To increase the reliability of the drive system, this paper presents fault tolerant of inverter when one switch is open or one leg of six-switch inverter is lost. The control of drive system is based on indirect rotor field oriented control theory. Also, the methodology depends on speed sensorless scheme to obtain the speed signal feedback; the speed estimator is based on model reference adaptive system using stator current and rotor flux as state variables for estimating the speed. The fault tolerant algorithm is able to adaptively change-over from six switch inverter to four switch inverter topologies when the fault is occurred; also, it makes a smooth transition of the motor speed, torque and current when changing over from faulty condition to new healthy status which is Four Switch Three Phase Inverter (FSTPI) topology, thus, the Six Switch Three Phase Inverter (SSTPI) topology (pre-fault status) almostly retained. The proposed algorithm is simulated by using the Matlab/Simulink package. The obtained results from the simulation model demonstrate the performance enhancement and good validity of the fault-tolerant control for speed sensorless induction motor drive system.

**Keywords:** Induction motor drive, Current control Voltage source inverter (CCVSI), Fault tolerant, four-switch three phase inverter (FSTPI). Insulated Gate Bipolar Transistor (IGBT)

## Introduction

Three phase induction motors have been the workhorse for industrial and manufacturing processes. The energization of such motors in these processes and applications can be achieved through the following ways: (1) direct on-the-line starting, (2) soft-starting, and (3) adjustable-speed drive (ASD) control. With the development of power electronics and digital signal processor, induction motors are predominantly fed from pulse width modulation (PWM) inverter, so, ASDs are widely adopted in many industrial applications. In fact, the main reasons for their adoption in these applications are owed to the robust control and high ASDs offers high performance like soft starting, soft stop, speed reversal, breaking and many types of speed control methods as compared to soft starters. Nevertheless, soft starters are a low cost means in comparison to ASDs if the application does not require to speed-torque control. The reliability of electrical drives is a big aim and has not been resolved because the power electronic devices and control circuit are fail part of the inverter. [1-5]. The faults sources in the drives are, the power converter circuits (about 38 percent), control circuits (about 53 percent) and external auxiliaries (about 9 percent) [6]. There two types of power semiconductor switches' faults of inverters. [7-10]. the first type is transistor short-circuit switch-fault, this fault leads to catastrophic failure of the inverter if the other transistor of the same inverter leg is turned-on, this resulting in a direct short-circuit of the dc-bus link. To prevent the short circuit fault, it is necessary to minimize possible elapsed time after the fault occurred [11]. The other type of faults is open circuit fault of transistor. The drive may be operating with open circuit fault of any transistor, but with much inferior of performance, the electromechanical torque is affected

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and pulsating because the motor currents are asymmetric due to one phase's current is unipolar. Hence, a drive fault diagnostic system determines the type; hence the fault tolerant takes appropriate correction action of the fault.

There are two ways to test the drive fault, experimentally in the actual motor drives and another is fault simulation. [12-15].

This paper presents a fault tolerant control of six switch inverter fed speed sensorless control of three phase induction motor drive. The fault tolerant control depends on transition from six to four switch inverter algorithms. The transition executed by one of the extra switches as shown in Figure 1. The extra switch receives the fault tolerant signal from control system, and connects the motor's phase that it lost to the mid-point of a dc capacitor bank. A simulation results are carried out using MATLAB/SIMULINK package. The proposed system of fault tolerant of inverter introduces a good behavior with speed senseless indirect rotor field oriented control of induction motor drive.

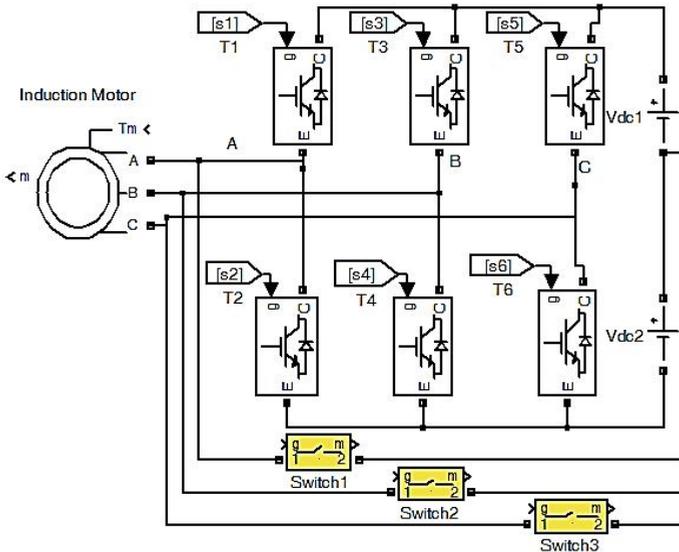


Fig.1 Six-switch inverter topology with extra switches

**SYSTEM DESCRIPTION**

The proposed system intended for performance analysis of sensorless indirect rotor field oriented control of induction motor drive is shown in Figure 2. This section presents the mathematical model of the induction motor drive system to revise the recital of the scheme at diverse working settings. In addition a detailed analysis of a fault tolerant of inverter fed speed senseless drive.

**Indirect Rotor Field Oriented Control**

The field oriented control (FOC) block receives the torque command  $T^*$  obtained from the speed controller while the flux command  $\lambda_{dr}^*$  is maintained constant. The field oriented control block performs the slip calculation and generates the current command components  $i_{qs}^e$  and  $i_{ds}^e$  in a rotating reference frame. These components are further manipulated by axes transformations to obtain the abc current command components  $i_{a^*}$ ,  $i_{b^*}$ , and  $i_{c^*}$ . The axes transformations used for the present system are expressed as follows;

$$\begin{bmatrix} i_{qs}^{s*} \\ i_{ds}^{s*} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta_s & \sin\theta_s \\ \sin\theta_s & \cos\theta_s \end{bmatrix} * \begin{bmatrix} i_{qs}^{e*} \\ i_{ds}^{e*} \end{bmatrix} \tag{1}$$

Where  $\theta_s$  represents the sum of the slip and rotor angles.

$$qds \rightarrow abc \left\{ \begin{array}{l} i_{as}^{s*} = i_{qs}^{s*} \\ i_{bs}^{s*} = -\frac{1}{2}i_{qs}^{s*} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}i_{ds}^{s*} \\ i_{cs}^{s*} = -\frac{1}{2}i_{qs}^{s*} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}i_{ds}^{s*} \end{array} \right. \tag{2}$$

### Current Control Voltage Source Inverter

A three-phase inverter consists of a six switch (T1 to T6) inverter as shown in figure 1. The DC link capacitors fed from three phase uncontrolled rectifier. The two-level current control of the six-switch bridge inverter used to control the load current by forcing it to follow a reference one. This is achieved by the switching action of the inverter to keep the current within the hysteresis band. The load currents are sensed and compared with respective command currents using two independent hysteresis comparators. The output signal of the comparators are used to activate the inverter power switches. This controller is simple and provides excellent dynamic performance.

$$i_{ref} = i_{max} \sin(\omega t) \tag{3}$$

$$i_{up} = i_{ref} + H \tag{4}$$

$$i_{lo} = i_{ref} - H \tag{5}$$

Where,  $i_{ref}$  is the reference current (may be  $i_{ar}$ ,  $i_{br}$  or  $i_{cr}$ ),  $i_{up}$  is the upper band,  $i_{lo}$  is the lower band and H is the hysteresis band. For  $i_{ar} > 0.0$ : if  $i_a > i_{up}$ , then  $NA=0$ , this means that the inverter output voltage switches to negative in order to reduce the line current. In the same manner if  $i_a < i_{lo}$ , then,  $NA=1$ , where the inverter output voltage switches to positive in order to increase the line current. The same sequence is followed for phase b and c. Hence, the control logic for phases are given as follow: For  $i_{ar} > 0.0$ : if  $i_a > i_{up}$ , then  $NA=0$ , else if  $i_a < i_{lo}$  then  $NA=1$ , For  $i_{ar} < 0.0$ : if  $i_a < i_{up}$ , then  $NA=1$ , else if  $i_a > i_{lo}$  then  $NA=0$ , the switches of each leg are controlled complementary (i.e.  $NA1 = 1 - NA$ ), and the same logic generation for phases B and C.

Hence, The modulated phases voltages of six switch inverter are introduced as a function of switching logic NA, NA1, NB, NB1 and NC,NC1 of power switches by the following relations:

$$\begin{bmatrix} V_a \\ V_b \\ V_c \end{bmatrix} = \frac{V_{dc}}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} NA \\ NB \\ NC \end{bmatrix} \tag{6}$$

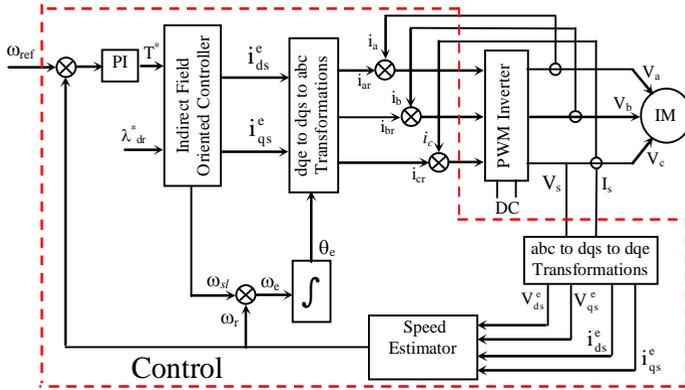


Fig. 2 Block Diagram of the Proposed Speed Sensorless Control System

### Induction Motor Model

Squirrel-cage induction motor is represented in its d-q dynamic model. This model represented in synchronous reference frame is expressed as follows;

$$\begin{bmatrix} V_{qe}^e \\ V_{de}^e \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} R_s + pL_\sigma & \omega_e L_m & p \frac{L_m}{L_r} & \omega_e \frac{L_m}{L_r} \\ -\omega_e L_\sigma & R_s + pL_\sigma & -\omega_e \frac{L_m}{L_r} & p \frac{L_m}{L_r} \\ -R_r L_m & 0 & R_r + pL_\sigma & (\omega_e - \omega_r) L_m \\ 0 & -R_r L_m & -(\omega_e - \omega_r) L_m & R_r + pL_\sigma \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} I_{qs}^e \\ I_{ds}^e \\ \lambda_{qr}^e \\ \lambda_{dr}^e \end{bmatrix} \quad (7)$$

The electromechanical equation is also given by;

$$T_e - T_L - J \frac{d\omega_r}{dt} + B\omega_r \quad (8)$$

Where, the electromagnetic torque is expressed as:

$$T_e = \frac{3}{2} \frac{p}{2} \cdot \frac{L_m}{L_r} ( I_{qs}^e \lambda_{dr}^e - I_{ds}^e \lambda_{qr}^e ) \quad (9)$$

Equation (3) denotes that the torque can initially proportional to the quadrature component of the stator current ( $I_{qs}^e$ ) if the q<sup>e</sup>-axis component of the flux becomes zero (d<sup>e</sup>-axis is aligned with the rotor flux axis), and the d<sup>e</sup>-axis component ( $\lambda_{dr}^{*e}$ ) is kept constant. This is the philosophy of the vector control technique. In accordance, Eq.(9) is linearized as :

$$T_e = K_t \left| \lambda_{dr}^e \right| I_{qs}^e \quad (10)$$

This equation is similar to that of the separately excited dc motor. The angular slip frequency command ( $\omega_{sl}^*$ ) is calculated as follow:

$$\omega_{sl}^* = \frac{L_m}{\tau_r} \cdot \frac{I_{qs}^{e*}}{\lambda_{dr}^{e*}} \quad (11)$$

Also from Eq. (4)

$$I_{ds}^{e*} = \frac{1}{L_m} (1 + \tau_r^* p) \lambda_{dr}^{e*} \quad (12)$$

Angular frequency is obtained as follows,

$$\omega_{\bar{e}} = \omega_r + \omega_{sl} \quad (13)$$

$$\theta_{\bar{e}} = \int \omega_{\bar{e}} . dt \quad (14)$$

The torque producing current component is calculated from:

$$I_{qs}^* = \frac{1}{k_t} \frac{(\omega_r^* - \omega_r) K_{ps} [I + \tau_{cs} S]}{\lambda_{dr}^* \tau_{cs} S} \quad (15)$$

Where  $\omega_r$  is the motor speed obtained as in the following section.

### MRAS Based Speed Estimation

Model Reference Adaptive Systems (MRAS) techniques are applied in order to estimate rotor speed. This technique is based on the comparison between the outputs of two estimators. The estimator that does not involve the quantity to be estimated (the rotor speed  $\omega_r$ ) is considered as the induction motor voltage model. This model is considered to be the reference model (RM). And the other model is the current model, derived from the rotor equation, this model is considered to be the adjustable model (AM). The error between the estimated quantities by the two models is used to drive a suitable adaptation mechanism which generates the estimated rotor speed;  $\omega_r$  to be used in the current model was developed [16]. In this paper, the observer depends on the MRAS and speed observer based on stator current and rotor flux is shown in Figure 3. The stator current is represented as: The stator current is represented as:

$$i_{ds} = \frac{1}{L_m} [\lambda_{dr} + \omega_r T_r \lambda_{qr} + T_r p \lambda_{dr}] \quad (16)$$

$$i_{qs} = \frac{1}{L_m} [\lambda_{qr} - \omega_r T_r \lambda_{dr} + T_r p \lambda_{qr}]$$

Using the above Equations, the stator current is estimated as

$$\hat{i}_{ds} = \frac{1}{L_m} [\lambda_{dr} + \hat{\omega}_r T_r \lambda_{qr} + T_r p \lambda_{dr}] \quad (17)$$

$$\hat{i}_{qs} = \frac{1}{L_m} [\lambda_{qr} - \hat{\omega}_r T_r \lambda_{dr} + T_r p \lambda_{qr}]$$

The difference in the stator current is obtained as

$$i_{ds} - \hat{i}_{ds} = \frac{T_r}{L_m} \lambda_{qr} [\omega_r - \hat{\omega}_r] \quad (18)$$

$$\hat{i}_{qs} - i_{qs} = \frac{T_r}{L_m} \lambda_{dr} [\omega_r - \hat{\omega}_r]$$

Equation (18) may be rewritten as:

$$(i_{ds} - \hat{i}_{ds}) \lambda_{qr} = \frac{T_r^2}{L_m} \lambda_{qr} [\omega_r - \hat{\omega}_r] \quad (19)$$

$$(\hat{i}_{qs} - i_{qs}) \lambda_{dr} = \frac{T_r^2}{L_m} \lambda_{dr} [\omega_r - \hat{\omega}_r]$$

Since the stator current error is represented as a function of estimated speed, an adaptive flux observer can be constructed from the machine model equation. The model outputs are the estimated values of the stator current vector  $\hat{i}_s$  and the rotor flux linkage vector  $\hat{\lambda}_r$ . From Eqn. (19),

$$(i_{ds} - \hat{i}_{ds})\lambda_{qr} + (i_{qs} - \hat{i}_{qs})\lambda_{dr} - \frac{T}{L_m}(\lambda_{qr}^2 + \lambda_{dr}^2)(\omega_r - \hat{\omega}_r) \tag{20}$$

Hence, the error of the rotor speed is obtained as follows:

$$\omega_r - \hat{\omega}_r = [(i_{ds} - \hat{i}_{ds})\lambda_{qr} - (i_{qs} - \hat{i}_{qs})\lambda_{dr}] / K \tag{21}$$

where  $K = \frac{T}{L_m}(\lambda_{qr}^2 + \lambda_{dr}^2)$

The right hand term seems as the term of speed calculation from adaptive observer, so the speed can be calculated from the following equation.

$$\hat{\omega}_r = \frac{1}{K} [(K_p (i_{ds} - \hat{i}_{ds})\lambda_{qr} - (i_{qs} - \hat{i}_{qs})\lambda_{dr}) + (K_I \int (i_{ds} - \hat{i}_{ds})\lambda_{qr} - (i_{qs} - \hat{i}_{qs})\lambda_{dr})] \tag{22}$$

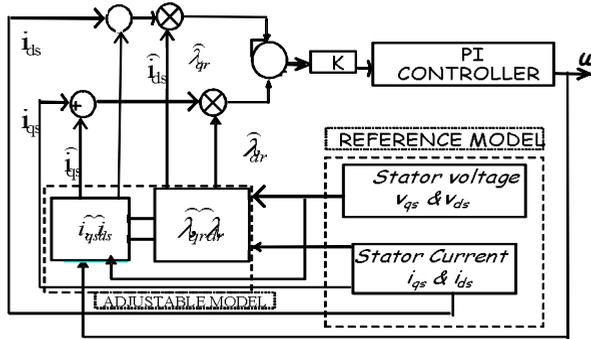


Fig.3 MRAS speed estimation scheme

**DC Current Fault detection Method**

This method of the inverter fault detection depends on which transistor is open. opened switch does not pass any current, the phase current can only be positive or negative and behave characteristically, Also, The dc current component appears, whereas these component of dc currents disappear in healthy condition.

The dc current fault detection method states as follow, using the Park's Vector transformation in  $(\alpha-\beta)$  axis, equations (23) and (24) explained the currents yields to trajectories as displayed in figure 4.

$$I_{\alpha} = I_a \tag{23}$$

$$I_{\beta} = \frac{I_b - I_c}{\sqrt{3}} \tag{24}$$

The direct component is used as diagnostic variable and calculated as follow;

$$\mu_v = \frac{1}{N} \sum_1^N I_v(k\tau) \tag{25}$$

The resulting space vector can be described by magnitude and angle as follow;

$$|\mu_v| = \sqrt{\mu_{\alpha}^2 + \mu_{\beta}^2} \tag{26}$$

$$arg(\mu) = \arctan\left(\frac{\mu_{\beta}}{\mu_{\alpha}}\right) \tag{27}$$

$$v \in [\alpha, \beta]$$

In healthy condition (no fault) the average value of current is zero and the current space vector runs in a circle. To resist noise and transients; if the magnitude exceeds a certain

threshold fault is detected. And the opened switch is determined using table (I). The method developed by Abramik [17] also uses the direct component,  $\gamma$  of the phase currents, which is calculated by averaging over one period (25). To obtain a diagnostic variable that is independent of the actual load, the first order harmonic coefficients of the phase currents are computed by means of a DFT (28), (29) Dividing the direct component by the calculated DFT coefficient provides the diagnostic variable  $\gamma_v$ , this is done for all three phases (25).

$$\gamma_v = \frac{\mu_v}{\sqrt{a_{I,v}^2 + b_{I,v}^2}} \tag{29}$$

$$a_{I,v} = \frac{2}{N} \sum_{K=i-N+1}^i I_v(k\tau) \cos\left(\frac{2\pi k}{N}\right) \tag{30}$$

$$b_{I,v} = \frac{2}{N} \sum_{K=i-N+1}^i I_v(k\tau) \sin\left(\frac{2\pi k}{N}\right) \tag{31}$$

$$d_{1,i} = \begin{cases} 1: \gamma_i > 0 \\ 0: \gamma_i \leq 0 \end{cases} \tag{32}$$

$$d_{2,i} = \begin{cases} 1: |\gamma_i| > 0.45 \\ 0: |\gamma_i| \leq 0.45 \end{cases} \tag{33}$$

$$v \in [a, b, c] \tag{34}$$

The decision on whether there is a fault and which transistor is faulty is based on table (1) with (32) and (33), as stated in [13].

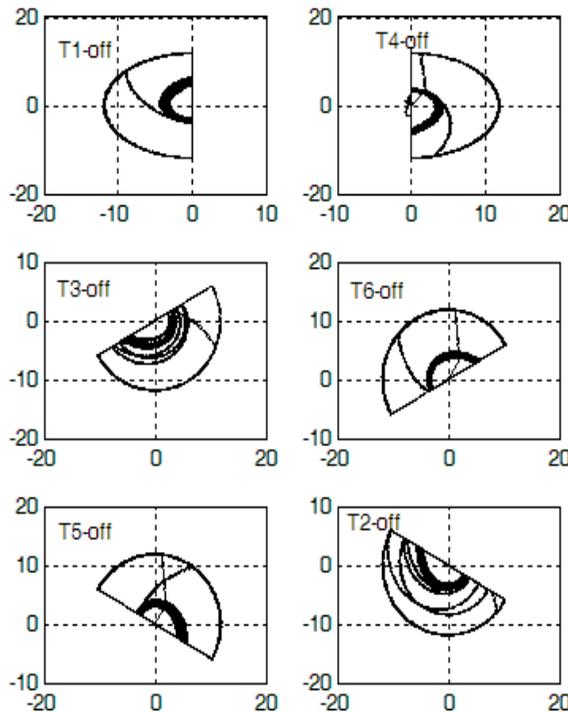


Fig. (4) Trajectory of phase currents in Park's Vector

Table 1: LOCALIZATION OF FAULT WITHN ORMALIZDECD CURRENT

Transistor	d <sub>1,a</sub>	d <sub>1,b</sub>	d <sub>1,c</sub>	d <sub>2,a</sub>	d <sub>2,b</sub>	d <sub>2,c</sub>
T1	1	0	0	1	0	0
T2	1	0	1	0	1	0
T3	0	0	1	0	0	1
T4	0	1	1	1	0	0
T5	1	0	1	0	1	0
T6	1	1	0	0	0	1

**Four-Switch Inverter Topology**

When the fault occur the fault detection system force The modulated phase voltages to operate as four switch inverter by opening the other switch in the faulty leg as shown in figure (5), and the phase voltages are become:

$$V_a = \frac{E_{dc}}{3}(4NA + 2NB - I) \tag{35}$$

$$V_b = \frac{E_{dc}}{3}(-2NA + 4NB - I) \tag{36}$$

$$V_c = \frac{E_{dc}}{3}(-2NA - 2NB + 2) \tag{37}$$

During fault as a function of switching logic NA, NA1 and NB, NB1, wherars phase C is faulty. In matrix form,

$$\begin{bmatrix} V_a \\ V_b \\ V_c \end{bmatrix} = \frac{E_{dc}}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 & -1 \\ -2 & 4 & -1 \\ -2 & -2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} NA \\ NB \\ I \end{bmatrix} \tag{38}$$

Also, it will be assumed that a stiff voltage is available across the two dc-link capacitors [18].

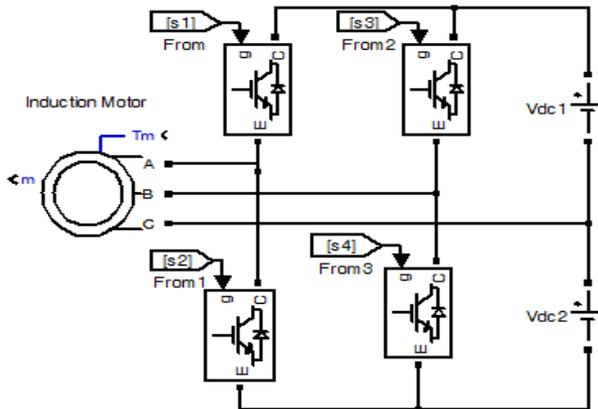


Fig. 5 Four-switch inverter topology

**RESULTS AND DISCUSSION**

The proposed control system shown in Fig. (1) is designed for a simulation investigation. Simulation is carried out using the general purpose simulation package Matlab/Simulink [19], Simulation results are presented to show the effectiveness of the proposed scheme at different operating conditions. These results are classified into two case studies; the first represents system response with fault condition while the second represents the system response with fault tolerant. In the First case study, the system starts and runs normally in

six-switch inverter algorithm with a load torque of (3N.m) and speed reference of 100 rad/sec. At  $t=0.75s$ , the fault is occurred and the leg A is faulty. System continues to run by FOC six- switch inverter. The stator currents, dc components of those currents, electromagnetic torque are measured. Also, the motor speed is measured and estimated. In the second case study, the fault tolerant system has been applied for both one switch opening and two switches opening faults. If one switch is opened the control system disconnect the other switch in the same leg also, by sending a fault tolerant signal command to an extra switch, the switch connect the related motor terminal to that to the mid-point of dc link capacitors, finally , the FOC system operates with four switch inverter algorithm.

Figures 6 and 7, present the motor response in the previous cases. Figure 6 shows that there is obvious component superimposed on the motor currents related to phases a and b. Figure 7 shows that a dc component have been vanished due to fault tolerant control action. Figures 8 shows the stator current in  $\alpha$ -  $\beta$  axis system under fault condition, where, figure 9 shows the same current components under fault tolerant condition, its noted that the distortion in the current wave form when the system transition from fault to fault tolerant conditions is eliminated . Figures 10 show the measured and estimated speed signals and electromagnetic torque respectively in fault case its noted that the estimated speed of motor and electromagnetic torque signals is more affected than the measured speed because it depend on the motor current. Whereas, figure 11 shows the same results when the fault tolerant control system is applied, its noted also the electromagnetic torque in the region after fault tolerant (four switch inverter ) is more ripple than before fault (six switch inverter).

## CONCLUSIONS

A fault tolerant control system based on speed sensorless IRFOC technique of induction motor drive system is proposed. The fault tolerant algorithm and drive system is verified by simulation using a 1.5kW/380V/50Hz induction motor. The fault tolerant system has been applied for either one switch opened or loss of one leg faults. If one switch is opened the fault tolerant control system disconnect the other switch in the same leg and connect the related motor terminal to that leg to the mid-point of dc link capacitors. It gives a good changes-over from faulty condition to a new healthy condition depending on mentioned algorithms of three phase inverter when the fault occurs. The control system includes two cases; one for six-switch (pre-fault condition) and the other is four switch inverter, (post-fault condition); The results shows that a dc components in the motor phase have been vanished due to fault tolerant control action .Also, it shows that the estimated speed signal of the is more affected than the measured one because it depend on the motor current. Its noted also the electromagnetic torque in the region after fault tolerant (four switch inverter ) is more ripple than before fault (six switch inverter).The obtained results shows the effectiveness of the proposed fault tolerant system with speed sensorless induction motor drive, Also gives good behaviors after fault tolerant closed to the healthy condition (per-fault) with six switch inverter.

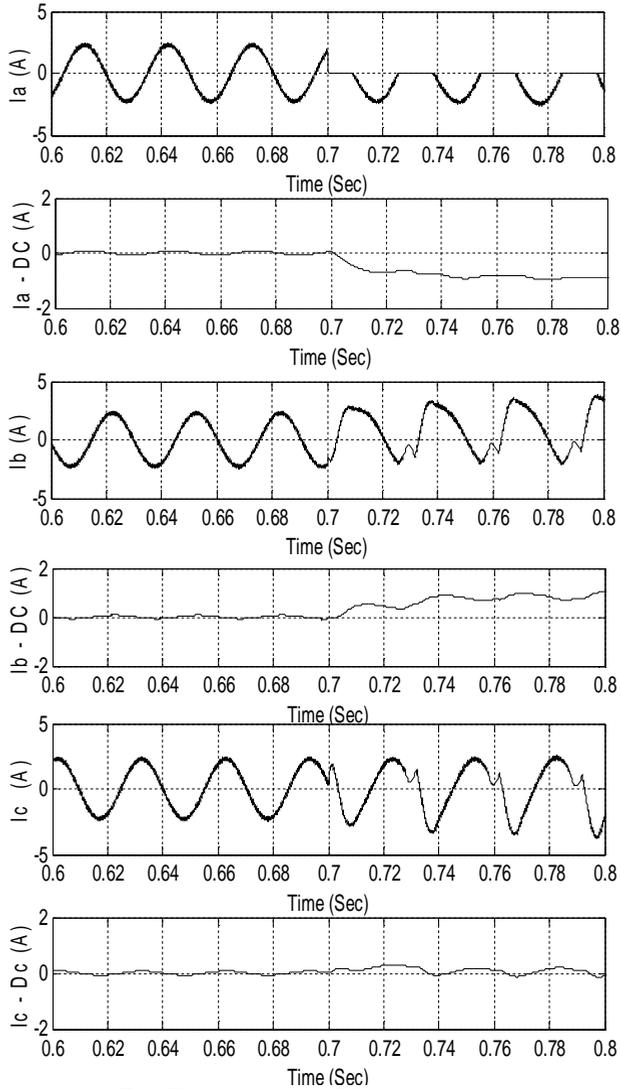


Fig.6 Phase currents and DC current components of the system under fault condition

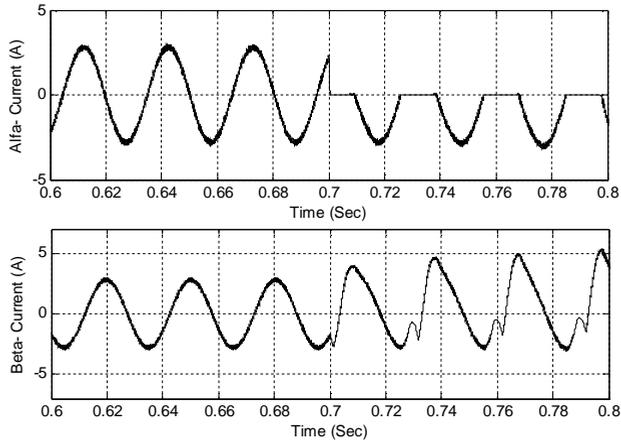


Fig.8 ( $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ ) currents under fault condition

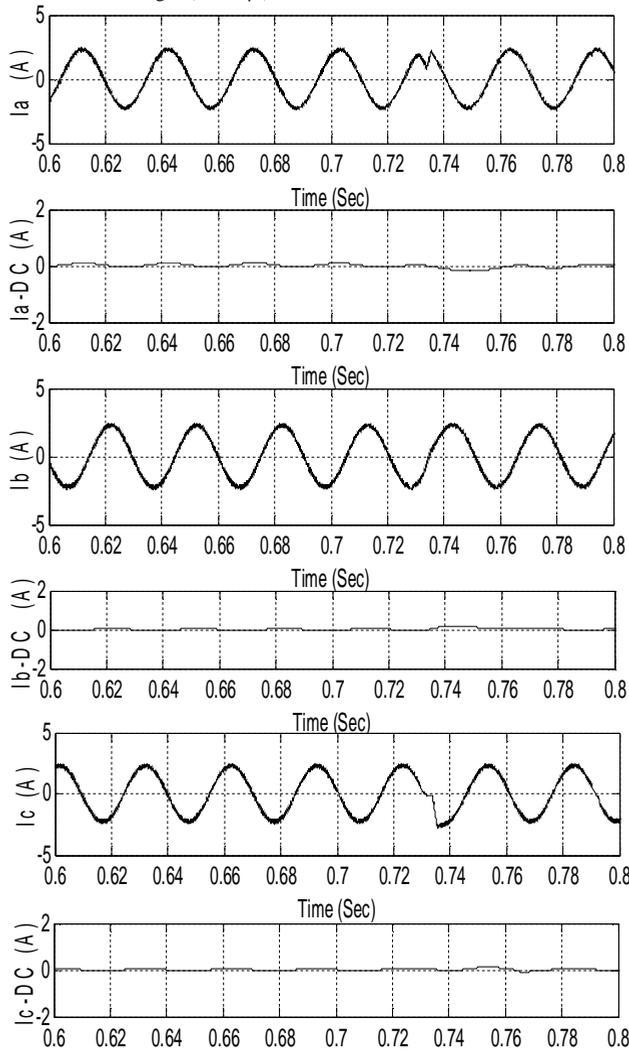


Fig.7 Phase currents and DC current components of the system under fault tolerant control system

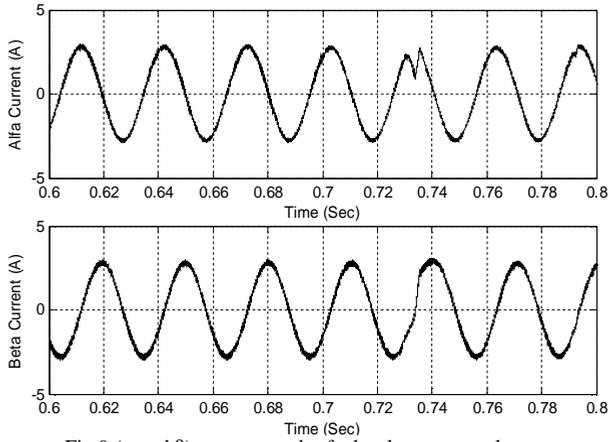


Fig.9 ( $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ ) currents under fault tolerant control system

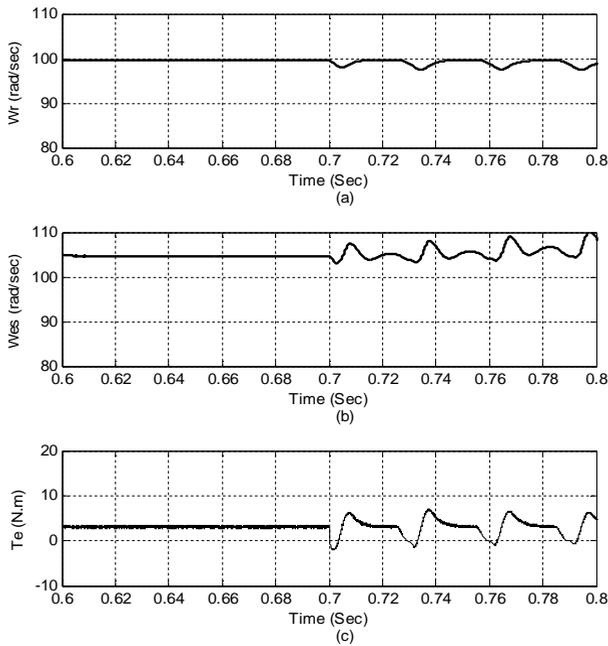


Fig.10 (a) Measured speed (b) Estimated speed  
(c) Developed torque under fault condition

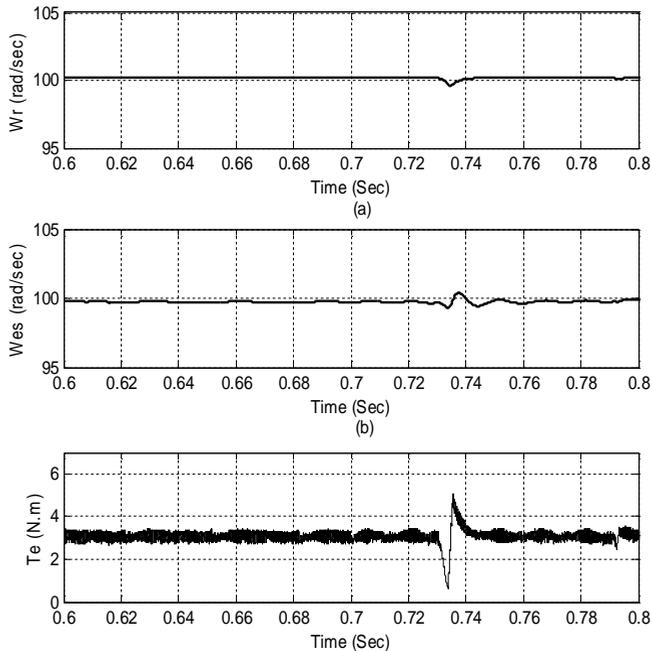


Fig.11 (a) Measured speed (b) Estimated Speed  
(c) Developed Torque under fault tolerant control

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**APPENDICES**

**A.1. Motor Data and Parameters:**

<u>Machine parameters of the applied induction machine</u>	
Rated power	1.1 kw
Rated load torque	7.5 N.m.
No. of poles	4
Stator resistance	7.4826 ohm
Rotor resistance	3.6840 ohm
Rotor leakage inductance	0.0221 H
Stator leakage inductance	0.0221 H
Mutual inductance	0.4114 H
Supply frequency	50 Hz
Motor speed	1500 r.p.m.
Supply voltage	380 volts
Inertia	0.02 kg.m <sup>2</sup>

**A.2. List of Principle Symbols;**

$$L_{\sigma} = L_s - \frac{L_m^2}{L_r} \quad T_r = \frac{L_r}{R_r}$$

$$\sigma = 1 - \frac{L_m^2}{L_s L_r}$$

- $V_{qse}, V_{dse}$       q<sup>c</sup>-d<sup>c</sup> –axis stator voltage
- $I_{qse}, I_{dse}$       q<sup>c</sup>-d<sup>c</sup> –axis stator current
- $\lambda_{qse}, \lambda_{dse}$      q<sup>c</sup>-d<sup>c</sup> –axis stator flux linkage
- $R_s, R_r$             stator and rotor resistances
- $J, B$                 moment of inertia and viscous friction coefficients
- $L_s, L_r, L_m$       stator, rotor and mutual inductances
- $T_e, T_L$             electromagnetic and load torque