

Improvement of Voltage Profile and Harmonic Reduction Using FACTS: -A Review

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ABSTRACT

The main problem in the railway grids has to face voltage fluctuation just because of variation in load but still due to its superior performance, lower energy cost, lower maintenance and its low pollution the electric traction has become a mainstay in the transportation sector. The traction system is the main fact of the distribution block. It gives the major impact on the voltage control and the power quality problems during operation. This paper deals with the voltage control and power quality of power maintenance. The traction system powered from the distribution sector such as power station. Which is able to providing the power to next consumers to compensate and maintain proper voltage and power quality. Here used some FACTS devices which are reducing the tripping causes, harmonics, which are oftenly present at abnormal condition. The compensation or FACTS devices like SVC, TCR are used as the controlling devices.

Keywords:- Static Var Compensator (SVC), FACTS devices, Traction System, Distribution network, Voltage regulation.

1. INTRODUCTION

The traction system is perform the major role in transportation of citizen and also the goods for import and export so it is helps in currency of country. Some technical issues like voltage disturbance and the power quality problems like voltage swell, sag, harmonics, interruption and some other issues regarding with the power system. If the power quality problems are removed then the system is get improved and gives the better output. Here we studied the paper which gives the locomotives observation move in particular power substation & the substation is providing the power of 25KV to each sector of locomotive and produces capability of 220KV. If here we used some controlling or compensating devices for removed the harmonics or some technical issue from the system. The system also removes the losses here while using some FACTS devices.

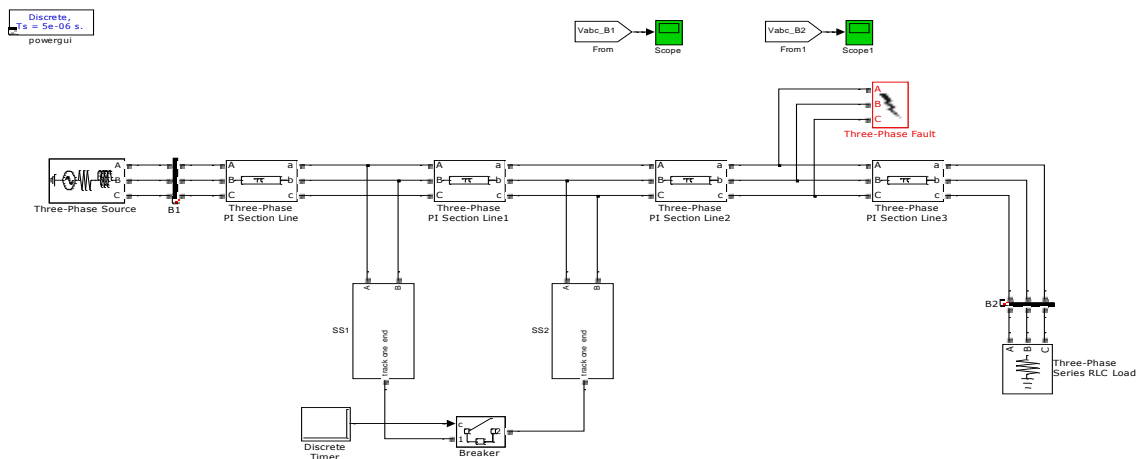


Fig 1:- Feeding arrangement of power to traction system

The DC traction system which having the harmonic generation problem. Which is generates the variability on the demand. This review model is implemented also in MATLAB/SIMULINK.

The above fig shows the feeding system which is connected to the main sources which is thousands of Km long it is described in the distribution sector. Then her we considered the distance of 40-50 Km the substation, and then each of them is having capacity of generating 220KV. The system is implemented in Simulink so we take two substation and each having capacity to delivered 25KV to each locomotive and also two substation and two locomotive in each substation. then in that condition if the profile of voltage is get disturbed due to the fault then there will be introduced the compensator.

2. LITERATURE REVIEW

Here we discuss the main literature of the voltage control and power quality. The system using FACTS devices the technical problem regarding voltage and power quality can be minimized following are some literature:

1. "Power Quality Control in DC Traction Systems using static VAR Compensator and Harmonics filter" by Rekha T and D.Bisharathu Beevi A describes the distribution system and result related to the sytem . here they also implemented in MATLAB/SIMULINK and power quality problems were successfully replicated with the research model and here distortion problem can be minimized by using installation of SVC. And also using filters are removed the problems.
2. "Voltage Enhancement assessment using SVC FACTS controller" by Rajeev B R and G N Madhu this author explained voltage profile in power system due to increasing order of load which is concentrated on the reliable operation . This model is studied in the IEEE bus no 24 by using the SVC this are cleared the fault and optimized the system. This system is implemented in the PSCAD/EMTDC simulation software version 4.2
3. "Enhancement of power system stability using static Var Compensator" by N.P.Ghushe and U.A.Jawadekar explained the problems in the power system. Here the impact of FACTS device on stability and the contro of voltage stability on IEEE14 bus , the used of SVC is plys important role that to maintain stability improvement Here they shows the without any compensation system attained 85% of problem free and with compensation means used of SVC it having 95% of stability.
4. "Power quality improvement in railway traction using railway power quality conditioner" by John Jacob and E.K.Bindumol describes that here they used the v/v transformer for compensate the negative sequence and the high speed railways traction power supplied . the referrence current converter is used for maintained system in proper manner .they also introduced the energy balance equation to stable Dc link.
5. "Power Quality improvement in power system with FACTS Devices" by Mithilesh Singh and Shubhrata Gupta Described that the improvement reduces the losses and distortion in power system also I control the voltage stability thses all are under the FACTS devices this system is compared with optimization based on the various algorithms like newton's algorithm etc.

3. POWER QUALITY

The power quality is defined as, "According to IEEE", the ability of the system to function satisfactorily in its electromagnetic environment without introduce any disturbances. Power quality is maintained a sinusoidal waveform of bus voltages at rated voltage and frequency. The power quality can be of poor power quality and good power quality.

Poor Power quality

Poor power quality generally means there is sufficient deviation in power supply to cause an equipment or process failure.

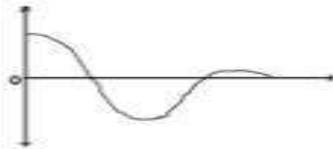
Good Power quality

Good power quality means that an equipment or process has sufficient power supply to operate satisfactorily without any disturbance. The equipment has designed a major determinant between good and bad power quality.

4. POWER QUALITY PROBLEMS AND EFFECT

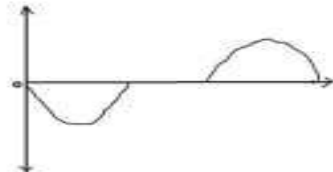
As we know that, the mitigation of power quality problem takes place at different levels such as transmission, distribution and the end use of equipment. The supply system has to face power quality problems due to the extreme use of electronic equipment i.e. information technology equipment, adjustable speed drives (ASD), programmable logic controllers (PLC), energy sufficient lighting and LED has to change a complete electric loads nature. The non-linear loads are the major causers and the victim of power quality problems. There are various types of problems occurs in supply system or electric traction feeding system are explain here.

1. Voltage Sags



The voltage reduction in the supply voltage magnitude is followed by voltage recovery after a short period of time. These short duration voltages are called as “Voltage Sags”, or “Voltage Dips”. The major voltage dips faults are occurs in the system when starting of large loads.

2. Very Short Interruption



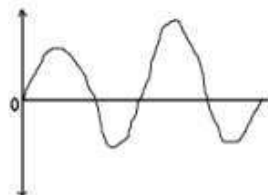
Very short interruption of electrical supply system for duration from few milliseconds to one or two second causes tripping of protection devices, loss of information and also malfunctions of data processing equipment.

3. Long Interruption



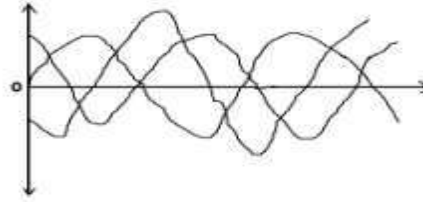
Long interruption of electrical supply occurs for duration of greater than one to two seconds causes stoppage of all equipment. The equipment failure is the main problem in the power system network, storms and object (e.g. trees, cars etc.) striking lines or poles, human error, fire, bad coordination or failure of protection devices.

4. Voltage Swell



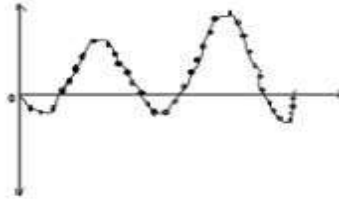
It is an increase in RMS value of electric supply voltage or current and its duration from 0.5 cycles to 1 min. The typical value of swell in between 1.1 to 1.8 pu. The main causes are start/stop of heavy loads and consequences are data lost, flickering of lighting and screens, stoppage or damage of sensitive equipment due to increase in RMS value.

5. Voltage Fluctuation



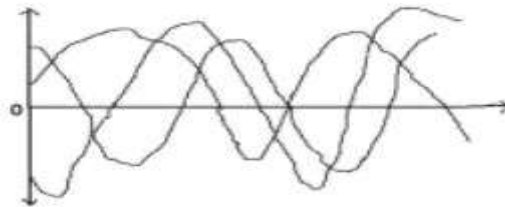
Due to the frequent start/stop of electric motors and oscillating loads consequences are under voltage, flickering of lighting and screens.

6. Harmonic Distortion



The increasing power quality concern is harmonics distortion that is caused by the non-linearity of loads. This concern has drawn attention from utilities, manufactures of equipments and users.

7. Voltage Unbalance



A variation of voltage in a three-phase system which shows the voltage magnitudes or the phase angle differences between them are not same. Due to this problems create large single-phase loads, incorrect distribution of all single-phase loads. The unbalancing of voltage generates negative sequence which is harmful to all three phase loads, specially most affected loads are three-phase induction machine.

5. POWER QUALITY SOLUTION

For improving the power quality strategy following devices are play a crucial role. Such as

- Distributed resources-Energy storage system or restoring technology.
- Electrochemical battery
- Flywheels
- Super-capacitors
- Super conducting magnetic energy storage (SMES)
- Distributed resources-Distributed generation (DG) Units
- Enhanced Interface Devices
- Dynamic Voltage Restorers (DVR)
- Transient Voltage surge suppressors (TVSS)
- Constant Voltage Transformers (CVT)
- Noise Filters
- Isolation Transformer
- Harmonic Filters

The above all devices are used for improving the power quality. But rather than these FACTS devices are most reliable for the better achievement. So the FACTS devices explain in FACTS Technology.

6. FACTS TECHNOLOGY

The FACTS devices (Flexible AC Transmission System) is the development in the power electronics. The FACTS devices create the fast response and improve the system output. It is the new integrated technology which involves the power electronics controlled devices. The devices controller are mainly categorized such as the series controller, shunt controller and series-shunt controller. The devices are like SVC (Static Var Compensator), STATCOM (Static compensator), TSC (Thyristor series controller (TCSC) and UPFC (Unified power flow controller). By using the compensator and the technology we can improve the power quality and the other parameter for reliable operation.

A. SVC

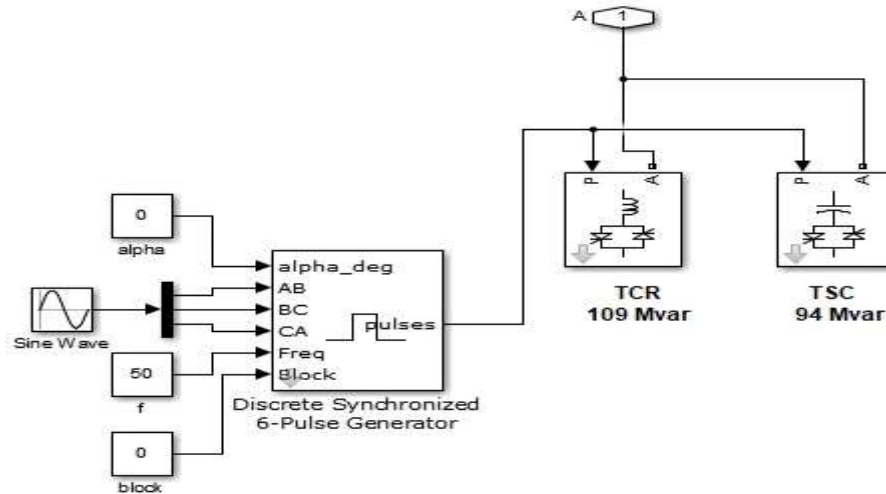


FIG 2:- SVC MODEL

SVC is a type of FACTS device which provides fast control of reactive power by absorbing or injecting of reactive power to maintain the voltage level. It consists of TCR, TSC & mechanically switch capacitor or inductor harmonic filter. SVC is most popular in traction system because of expansion & growth utility and transmission stability.

B. STATCOM

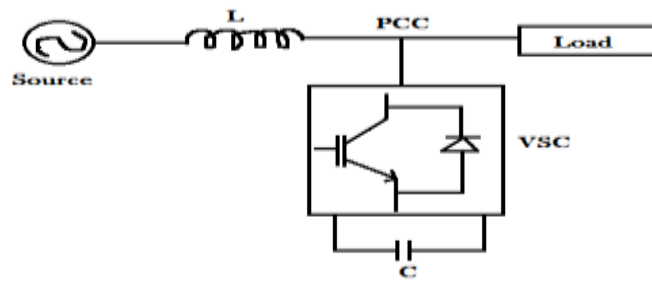


FIG 3:- STATCOM MODEL

STATCOM is connected across battery energy storage system. It is a voltage source shunt compensative converter. It is a reactive power compensative device which absorbs and delivers reactive power to the grid. At point of common coupling (PCC) the output can be varied for controlling specific parameter of the grid. At point of common coupling voltage source connected through inductance of the coupling transformer. The input ripple current which is carried by dc capacitor.

C. UPQC

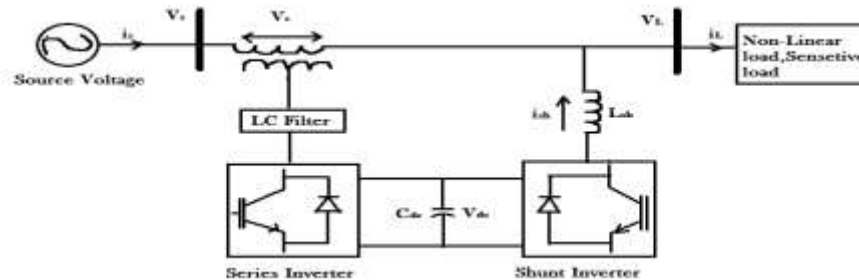


FIG 4:-UPQC MODEL

The UPQC has been used for improving power quality on power distribution systems or industrial power system. A common dc link which is provided by dc storage capacitor and it is the combination of STATCOM and series compensating devices.

7. CONCLUSION

From this study we observed that, Static compensator gives better performance using various control technique for enhancing the performance of network. SVC used for the stabilization of voltage and UPQC plays important role to maintained power quality at point of common coupling but only defect is cost effective. It conclude that Use of the compensator is improved the stability, increased system security, reliability, flexibility. The compensators are used in distribution for decreasing the harmonics and loading. It prevents the section which are important in power system such as generation transmission and distribution. The observation of harmonic analysis can be prove that the distortion in voltage is less in voltage of locomotive while using the compensator.

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