



H_{∞} Robust Controller Design for an Induction Generator Driven by a Variable-Speed Wind Turbine

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Abstract—this paper presents the modeling and robust controller design design for a wind-driven induction generator system. a robust controller for the static synchronous compensator (STATCOM) and the variable blade pitch in a wind energy conversion system (WECS) is designed to be controlled voltage and mechanical power. This controller leading to satisfactory damping characteristics achieved for the closed loop system. Effects of various system disturbances on the dynamic performance have been simulated, and the results comparison with output feedback controller reveal that the proposed controller is effective in regulating the load voltage and stabilizing the generator rotating speed for WECS. The nonlinear simulation was conducted and that comparison with the above linear simulation shows that the simulations carried out for small changes in system inputs is sufficiently accurate. for review performance against large disturbances from a symmetrical three-phase short circuit at infinity bus bar has been used and the results show robust controller design as well as fluctuations resulting from the short circuit is damped.

Keywords— Induction generator (IG), static synchronous compensator (STATCOM), wind energy conversion system (WECS), robust controller.

I. INTRODUCTION

Wind energy conversion systems (WECS), energy in the blowing wind into electrical energy to convert. A very variable wind resource that can't be stored and WECS must be based on the act. Technology using wind to generate electricity, providing a new source of electricity with the fastest growth in the world. Wind energy by a wind turbine blade that has one or more mechanical energy is converted. Turbine generator by a gearbox to Copley.

Some of the turbines, including a controlling blade pitch angle control amount power can be transferred. Generator can be a synchronous or Asynchronous. Induction generators are being increasingly utilized in a WECS since they are relatively inexpensive, rigid, and require low maintenance. However, the impact of ever-changing wind speed on power quality, coupled with the need of excitation current for induction generator (IG), make the mechanical power control and voltage regulation indispensable to the wind-driven induction generator system. By far, the most effective

way of controlling the mechanical power captured by the wind turbine is to adjust the rotor blade pitch angle. Blade pitch is analogous to the throttle value in conventional steam turbines, except that the speed of control in a steam turbine [1], [2]. It can be employed to regulate mechanical power input and real power output of the WECS.

However, the reactive power required by the IG can be provided by a shunt capacitor bank, but it may cause excessive over-voltage during disconnection. Moreover, the amount of capacitance required for excitation varies with the generator speed [3]. Thus, if a fixed shunt capacitor is connected across the terminals of the IG, the terminal voltage will vary with generator speed. To achieve continuous voltage regulation under varying system conditions, static synchronous compensators (STATCOMs), have been employed in the literatures [4, 5, 6, 7, 8]. The basic principle of a STATCOM installed in a power system is to generate a controllable ac voltage behind a coupling transformer and a filter by a voltage-sourced inverter (VSI) connected to a dc capacitor. The output voltage of the VSI

can be controlled to be greater than the line voltage in order to provide reactive power to the wind-driven IG.

Most methods of analysis and design of control systems based on mathematical model that the index of approximation and simplification of the linear and generally non-linear equations around the operating point to come. Thus if a change occurs in the model parameters, the results will not necessarily true. Should be noted that physical systems cannot be with a more precise mathematical model to describe. So the real problem in the system model uncertainty is inevitable. Due to this uncertainty and the inevitable turbulence in practice, motivation is the emergence of robust control methods. In this paper, the H_∞ robust controller for voltage regulation system and the mechanical power is used.

The effectiveness of the proposed control strategy is evaluated under operating conditions on damping low frequency oscillations in comparison with the output feedback controller to demonstrate its robust performance. Also the results reveal that system performance with H_∞ robust controller in spite of disturbance and various uncertainties is very satisfactory.

II. SYSTEM MODELS

Fig. 1 depicts the one-line diagram of an induction generator driven by a variable-speed wind turbine and connected to a grid through a transmission line. A robust controller is utilized to control the wind turbine mechanical power through the variable blade pitch and the STATCOM, respectively. The reactive power required by the IG in steady-state operating condition is supplied by a fixed shunt capacitor bank, as shown in Fig. 1. To maintain constant load bus voltage (V_l) under disturbance conditions, a STATCOM, which is capable of adjusting its output voltage and reactive power output based on system requirements, is employed. The STATCOM is connected to the load bus through a coupling transformer and a filter.

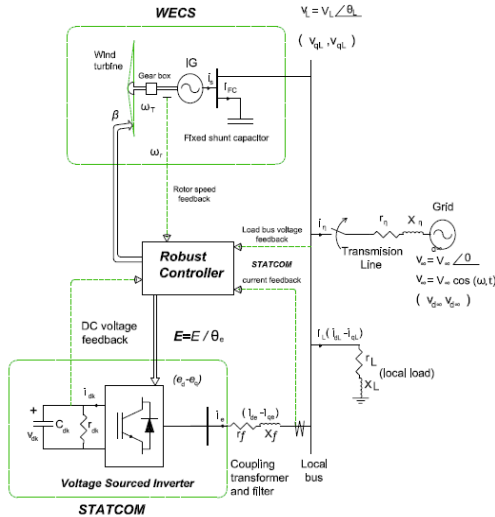


Fig. 1 System configuration

Induction Generator Model

The per unit flux-linkages for the stator and rotor circuits of the induction generator described in d- and q-axes are as follows [9], [10]:

$$\dot{\varphi}_{ds} = \omega_b (v_{dl} + r_s i_{ds}) + \omega_s \varphi_{qs} \quad (1)$$

$$\dot{\varphi}_{qs} = \omega_b (v_{ql} + r_s i_{qs}) - \omega_s \varphi_{ds} \quad (2)$$

$$\dot{\varphi}_{dr} = \omega_b (v_{dr} - r_r i_{dr}) + (\omega_s - \omega_r) \varphi_{qr} \quad (3)$$

$$\dot{\varphi}_{qr} = \omega_b (v_{qr} - r_r i_{qr}) - (\omega_s - \omega_r) \varphi_{dr} \quad (4)$$

Where a synchronous reference frame rotating at the electrical angular speed corresponding to the fundamental frequency of the grid voltage, herein denoted as ω_s , is adopted. Furthermore ω_b , ω_r , V_{dl} , V_{ql} are base and rotor angular speeds and stator voltage in d-axis and q-axis, respectively.

The electromechanical torque in per unit can be written in terms of stator flux linkages and currents as

$$T_e = \varphi_{ds} i_{qs} - \varphi_{qs} i_{ds} \quad (5)$$

The per unit rotor acceleration is given by

$$\dot{\omega}_r^u = \frac{1}{2H_T} (T_m - T_e - D_T \omega_r^u) \quad (6)$$

Where T_m is the per unit mechanical torque of the wind turbine, and H_T and D_T are the equivalent inertia constant and the equivalent damping constant of the wind turbine-induction generator system, respectively.

Model

The mechanical power output of a wind turbine can be written as [2]

$$P_m = \frac{1}{2} \rho A C_p V_w^3 \quad (7)$$

where ρ is the air mass density, V_w is the wind speed, A is the rotor swept area, and C_p is a power coefficient representing the fraction of power extracted from the aerodynamic power in the wind by a practical wind turbine.

The power coefficient C_p varies with the wind speed, the rotational speed of the turbine, and the turbine blade parameters. The MOD-2 wind turbine model [11], [12] with the following closed-form approximate relationship for C_p is used:

$$C_p = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{R}{\gamma} - 0.022\beta^2 - 5.6 \right) e^{-\frac{0.17R}{\gamma}} \quad (8)$$

The tip speed ratio γ is defined as

$$\gamma = \frac{w_T R}{V} \quad (9)$$

Where w_T is the rotating speed of the wind turbine .

It is observed from (7)-(9) that the mechanical power output of a wind turbine is related to the turbine speed w_T , wind speed V_w , and the pitch angle β . An increase in the pitch angle β , which results in a decrease in the power of wind turbine when P_m continues to increase with increasing wind speed.

In this work, the initial pitch angle (β_o) is chosen to be 13.46° such that the wind turbine delivers a mechanical power of 0.81 per unit (p.u.) for a 30 miles/h (mph) wind at hub height.

STATCOM Model

For a balanced three-phase system, the STATCOM model can be described in per unit using the variables in d- and q-axes synchronous reference frame as [14]

$$\dot{i}_{de} = -\frac{w_b^r}{X_f} i_{de} + w_s i_{qe} + \frac{w_b}{X_f} (v_{dl} - e_d) \quad (10)$$

$$\dot{i}_{qe} = -\frac{w_b^r}{X_f} i_{qe} - w_s i_{de} + \frac{w_b}{X_f} (v_{ql} - e_q) \quad (11)$$

In Fig. 1, the instantaneous powers at the ac and dc sides of the voltage-sourced inverter are equal, giving the following power balance equation:

$$v_{dc} i_{dc} = e_d i_{de} + e_q i_{qe} \quad (12)$$

The per unit dc-side circuit equation is

$$\dot{v}_{dc} = \frac{1}{C_{dc}} \left(i_{dc} - \frac{v_{dc}}{r_{dc}} \right) \quad (13)$$

Where r_{dc} is used to represent the inverter switching loss. More details can be found in [5].

III. DERIVATION OF THE STATE EQUATIONS

In order to determine proper control signal for the STATCOM through a systematic design approach, the dynamic system equations as given in section 2 are linearized around a nominal operating point in the form as

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\Delta x} &= A \Delta x + B \Delta u \\ \Delta y &= C \Delta x \end{aligned} \quad (14a)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta x &= [\Delta v_{dl}, \Delta v_{ql}, \Delta i_{dl}, \Delta i_{ql}, \Delta w_r^u, \Delta v_{dc}, \Delta \varphi_{qr}, \\ &\Delta \varphi_{dr}, \Delta \varphi_{ds}, \Delta \varphi_{qs}, \Delta i_{dl}, \Delta i_{ql}, \Delta i_{de}, \Delta i_{qe}]^T \end{aligned} \quad (14b)$$

is the state vector.

Inputs for the state equations in (14a) are

$$\Delta u = [\Delta e_d, \Delta e_q, \Delta \beta]^T \quad (15)$$

and the output vector is as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta y &= [\Delta v_l, \Delta v_{dc}, \Delta w_r^u, \Delta i_{de}, \Delta i_{qe}]^T \\ &= C \Delta x \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

where the output matrix C is given by

$$C = [C_1^T, C_2^T, C_3^T, C_4^T, C_5^T]^T \quad (17)$$

and the sub matrices C_1, C_2, C_3, C_4 , and C_5 are defined as

$$\Delta v_l = C_1 \Delta x, \Delta v_{dc} = C_2 \Delta x, \Delta w_r^u = C_3$$

$$\Delta x, \Delta i_{de} = C_4 \Delta x, \text{ and } \Delta i_{qe} = C_5 \Delta x, \text{ respectively.}$$

Note that the mechanical power can be conditioned by a variable blade pitch angle β in (15) through a controller with IG speed error Δw_r^u as the primary stabilizing signal in the output vector in (16).

IV. CONTROL DESIGN

The main objective of the proposed controller is to regulate certain output measurements and drive system states to equilibrium operating points when the wind-driven induction generator system is subjected to various disturbances.

A. Output Feedback Control

In the design of the output feedback controller, the pole placement approach based on linear quadratic control (LQC) will be used. For the linear system described in (14a), the linear quadratic state feedback control Δu that minimizes the performance index

$$J = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\infty} (\Delta x^T Q \Delta x + \Delta u^T R \Delta u) dt \quad (18)$$

Where Q is the weighting matrix of the state variable variations and R that of the control effort, is given by [13]

The output feedback control Δu is given by

$$\Delta u = -K_o \Delta y \quad (19)$$

For more explanation can be referred to [5].

B. Robust Control

General structure of robust control problems is shown in Fig. 2(a). that Δ indicates system uncertainty, P is generalized system model containing nominal system model and weighting functions for uncertainty and performance and K is controller. In this fig. v is unexpected inputs vector (contains refrence inputs, noise and disturbance) and e is error signals which we want to regulate. u and y are control inputs and measured output vector and sensor output,

respectively. In controller analysis problems, K considers as a part of main system and we can compose it with certain part of P and made unique system M, as shown in Fig. 2(b). in this figure M is results of generalized system P and K controller as follows:

$$M = F_l(P, K) = P_n + P_{12}K(I - P_{22}K)^{-1}P_{21} \quad (20)$$

Where P is:

$$\begin{bmatrix} z \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} P_{11} & P_{12} \\ P_{21} & P_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} w \\ u \end{bmatrix} \quad (21)$$

also, generalized system model can be described by state space, as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x} &= Ax + B_1w + B_2u \\ z &= C_1x + D_{11}w + D_{12}u \\ y &= C_2x + D_{21}w + D_{22}u \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

In design problems, the aim is the K stable controller design so z outputs shown in Fig. 2(c) can be minimum.

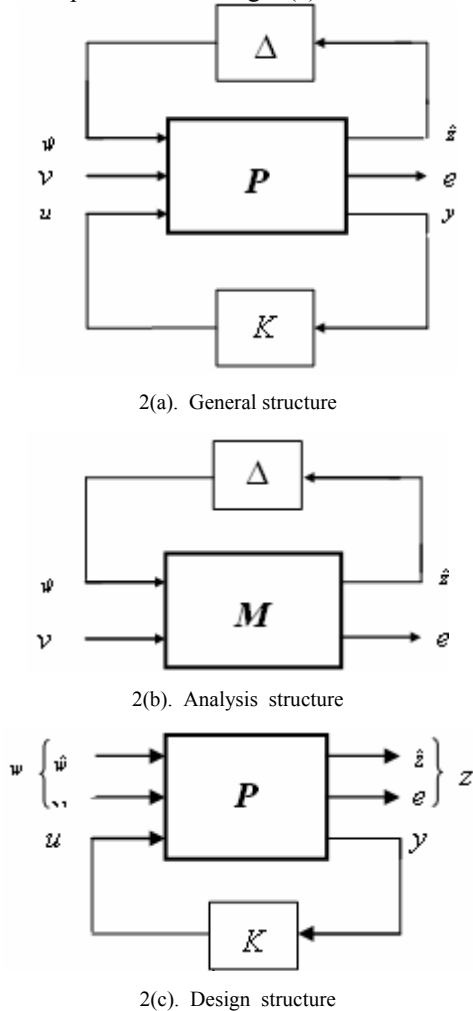


Fig. 3. General structure of robust control problems

C. Robust Control based on H_∞

Structure design shown in Figure 2(c), consider. Transfer matrix between the Z regulation outputs and W unexpected inputs is express with conversion linear - fractional as the following:

$$T_{zw} = F_L(P, K) = P_{11} + P_{12}K(I - P_{22}K)^{-1}P_{21} \quad (23)$$

the H_∞ standard control problem explain by finding K(s) sustainable internal control system for generalized P system such that extreme form closed loop transfer function T_{zw} is minimum. In other words, for δ_{min} must have:

$$Find \left\| T_{zw} \right\|_{\infty} < \gamma \quad (24)$$

$K(s)$ Stabilizing

Controller with the following equation can be expressed: [15,17]

$$u = -K_c \hat{x} \quad (25)$$

where \hat{x} is given by;

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\hat{x}} &= A\hat{x} + B_2u + B_1\hat{w} + z_\infty K_e (y - \hat{y}) \\ \hat{w} &= \gamma^{-2} B_1^T X_\infty \hat{x}, \quad \hat{y} = C_2 \hat{x} + \gamma^{-2} D_{21} B_1^T X_\infty \hat{x} \end{aligned} \quad (26)$$

additional term of \hat{w} Estimates of the worst disturbance input to the system. $z_\infty K_e$ is gain of visible and K_c is the gain of controller that determine as the following relationship :

$$\begin{aligned} K_c &= \tilde{D}_{12} (B_2^T X_\infty + D_{12}^T C_1), \quad \tilde{D}_{12} = (D_{12}^T D_{12})^{-1} \\ K_e &= (Y_\infty C_2^T + B_1 D_{12}^T) \tilde{D}_{21}, \quad \tilde{D}_{21} = (D_{21} D_{21}^T)^{-1} \\ z_\infty &= (I - \gamma^2 X_\infty Y_\infty)^{-1} \end{aligned} \quad (27)$$

Where x and y are the answers of Riccati equation of controller and visible. Means :

$$\begin{aligned} X_\infty &= Ric \begin{pmatrix} A - B_2 \tilde{D}_{12} D_{12}^T C & \gamma^{-2} B_1 B_1^T - B_2 D_{12}^T B_2^T \\ -\tilde{C}_1^T & \tilde{C}_1 \end{pmatrix} \\ Y_\infty &= Ric \begin{pmatrix} A - B_1 D_{21}^T \tilde{D}_{21} C_2 & \gamma^{-2} C_1^T C_1 - C_2^T \tilde{D}_{21} C_2 \\ -\tilde{B}_1 & B_1^T \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned} \quad (28)$$

Where

$$\tilde{C}_1 = (I - D_{12} \tilde{D}_{21} D_{12}^T) C_1 ; \quad \tilde{B}_1 = B_1 (I - D_{21}^T \tilde{D}_{21} D_{21})$$

Can be shown that there is a sustainable controller if the answer of riccati equation be positive semidefinite and there is the follow relationship :

$$\rho(X_\infty Y_\infty) \leq \gamma^2 \quad (29)$$

V. SIMULATION RESULTS

In this paper, controller designed and under survey system simulated with using MATLAB software. In this section, the results of system simulation with H_∞ robust controller is being introduced.

The dynamic performances of robust and output feedback controllers for the WECS were compared under disturbance and the results are depicted in Figs. 5, 6, 7.

The disturbance of a wind gust started at $t = 3.0$ s, reaching the peak wind speed of 19.9 m/s at $t = 4.5$ s and finally the wind speed dropped to 16.45 m/s at $t = 5.3$ s. for the sake of clarity, the effects of wind shear and tower shadow were ignored. It is obvious that the rotor would accelerate as a result of the increasing mechanical power

caused by increasing wind speed if the pitch angle was fixed. However, as demonstrated in Fig. 3, the wind-sensorless robust controller generated a pitch angle command as soon as the wind speed began to increase.

A three-phase short circuit at the infinite bus at $t=30$ s was chosen to compare the performance of two controllers. The response of closed loop system under this disturbance is shown in Figs. 8-10. The bus bar voltage and dc-capacitor voltage were returned to its reference value in very short time and swings amplitude with proposed controller is less than output feedback controller.

Also non-linear simulation results comparison for without control, output feedback and robust control is shown in Figs. 11-13. As we can see, designed controller damps available disturbances in nominal system in spite of uncertainty in system parameters as well.

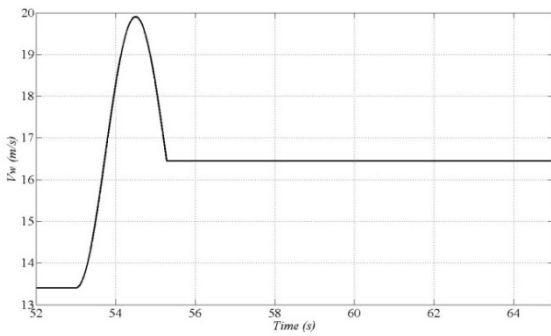


Fig. 4. Wind speed curve

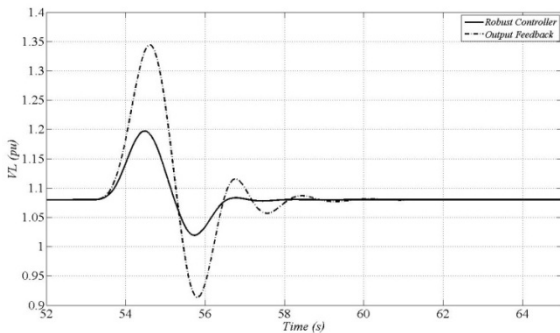


Fig. 5. Changes of bus bar voltage with either output feedback and robust controller

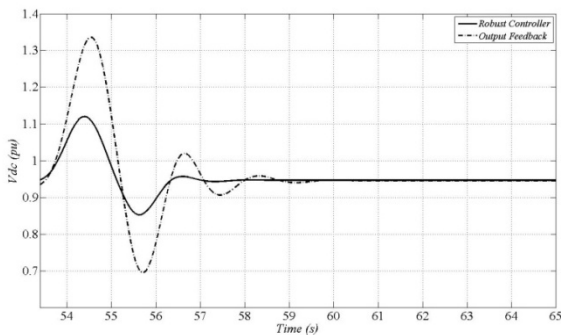


Fig. 6. Changes of dc-capacitor voltage with either output feedback and robust controller

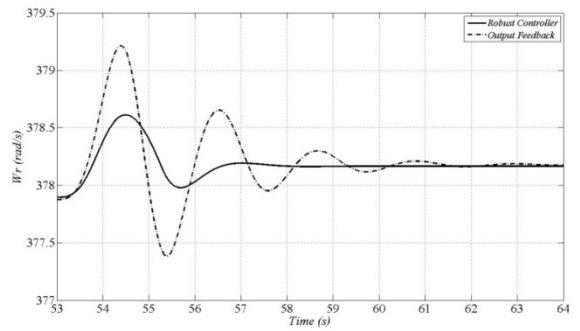


Fig. 7. Changes of rotor angular speed with either output feedback and robust controller

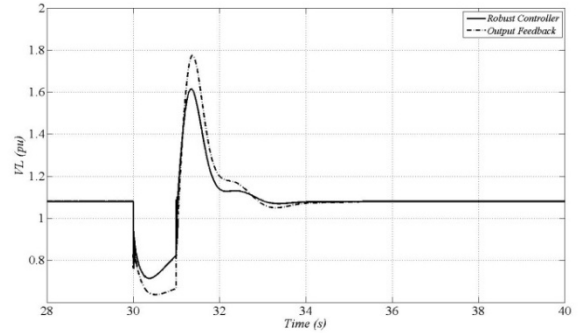


Fig. 8. Dynamic response of bus bar voltage for short circuit with either output feedback and robust controller

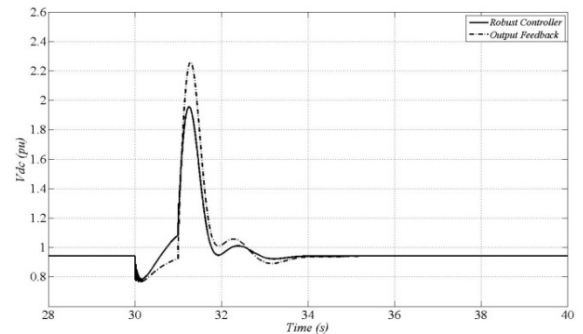


Fig. 9. Dynamic response of dc-capacitor voltage for short circuit with either output feedback and robust controller

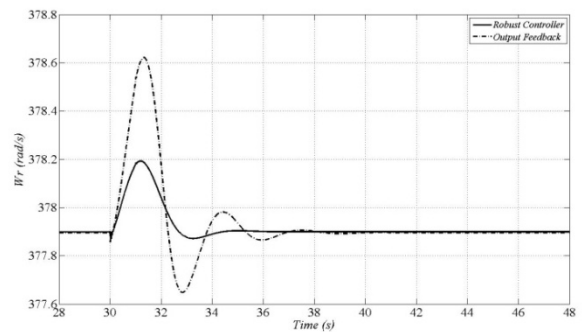


Fig. 10. Dynamic response of rotor angular speed for short circuit with either output feedback and robust controller

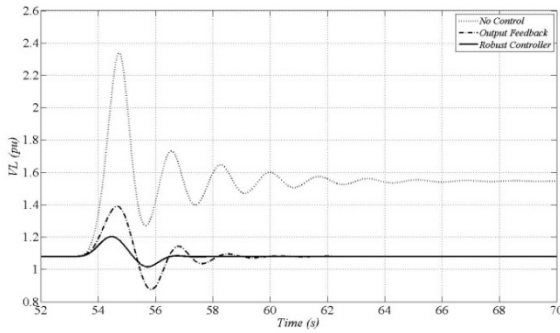


Fig. 11. Dynamic response of bus bar voltage for non-linear simulation

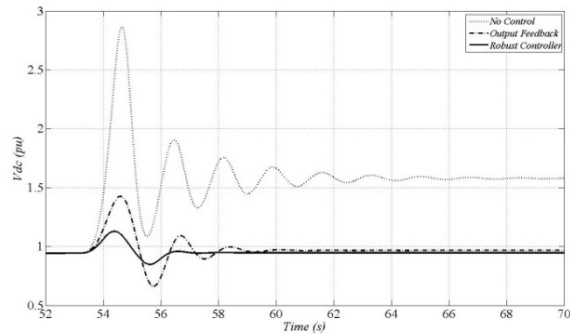


Fig. 12. Dynamic response of dc-capacitor voltage for non-linear simulation

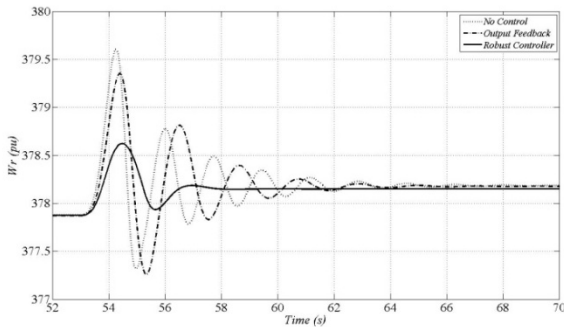


Fig. 13. Dynamic response of rotor angular speed for non-linear simulation

VI. CONCLUSION

In this paper, we discussed about H_{∞} robust controller design for wind energy conversion system with STATCOM. A STATCOM and blade pitch control system has been successfully designed to regulate the load bus voltage and stabilize rotor speed for an induction generator in a variable-speed WECS. Simulation results indicate that the H_{∞} robust controller designed for the STATCOM and blade pitch is capable of improving

WECS dynamic responses in case of disturbances. It is also noted that generator speed feedback instead of wind speed feedback for the robust controller provides satisfactory transient response in stabilizing generator speed. Variant disturbance effects in dynamic performance of system simulated, and results reveal that the proposed controller in bus bar voltage regulation and improvement of system swing damping is very effective, also with surveying the results, it can be found that system performance with proposed

controller in spite of disturbance and various uncertainty is very satisfactory.

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