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Field Oriented Control for Induction Motor Using Texas Instruments F2806x MCU

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Abstract

In the Electric drive system using induction motor requiring high control quality, the field-oriented control (FOC) method is often applied. There have been many studies and applications of the vector control method for 3-phase induction motors in practice. One solution for highly customizable open applications is to use powerful industrial microcontrollers, including the Texas Instruments F2806x MCU. In this paper, the authors implement field-oriented control (FOC) method for induction motor (IM) using F2806x MCU. The theoretical results will be verified experimentally.

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1. Introduction

In essence, the IM is an object with both structural and parametric nonlinear characteristics ^[1-6]. When applying the FOC method, isolation control of flux generation and torque generation processes has been realized. IM applications in Industrial are found at every stage of the manufacturing process ^[7-15], confirming IM motor's critical role as a driving force of production machines. With the V/f control method ^[16-25], the control algorithm becomes simple, but the system's control quality is not high when the system is mutation load. In drive systems that require high quality using IM, the FOC control method is strictly required. Compared with the PM motor, where the flux has been determined due to the structural nature of the motor ^[26-33], the FOC structure implemented with the IM motor is more complicated. This study focuses on the responsiveness of the F2806x MCU in implementing FOC control for IM.

2. Mathematical Model of the Three-Phase AC Induction Motor

The stator and rotor flux equations are given below^[1]:

$$\begin{cases} \psi_s = L_s i_s + L_m i_r \\ \psi_r = L_m i_s + L_r i_r \end{cases}$$
(1)

where $L_s = L_m + L_{\sigma s}$ and $L_r = L_m + L_{\sigma r}$, L_s is the stator inductance, L_r is the rotor inductance, L_m is mutual inductance, $L_{\sigma s}$, $L_{\sigma r}$ is the stator-side and rotor-side dissipation inductances, respectively, is stator current and ir is rotor current. The IM motor in this study is a squirrel cage rotor motor, so the rotor voltage equals zero. Hence, the stator and rotor voltage equations are expressed as follows:

$$u_s = R_s i_s + \frac{d\psi_s}{dt} + j\omega_s \psi_s \tag{2}$$

$$0 = R_r i_r + \frac{d\psi_r}{dt} + j\omega_r \psi_r \tag{3}$$

where ω_r is the slip speed, ω_s is the synchronous speed, ω is the rotor speed. From the voltage equation and the flux equation we have:



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$$\begin{cases} u_s = R_s i_s + \frac{d\psi_s}{dt} + j\omega_s \psi_s \\ 0 = R_r i_r + \frac{d\psi_r}{dt} + j\omega_r \psi_r \\ \psi_s = L_s i_s + L_m i_r \\ \psi_r = L_m i_s + L_r i_r \end{cases}$$
(4)

Eliminating the rotor current and the stator flux from (4), we obtain the following equations on the dq coordinate system as below:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{di_{sd}}{dt} = -\left(\frac{1}{\sigma T_s} + \frac{1-\sigma}{\sigma T_s}\right)i_{sd} + \omega_s i_{sq} + \frac{1-\sigma}{\sigma T_r}\psi'_{rd} + \frac{1-\sigma}{\sigma}\omega\psi'_{rq} + \frac{1}{\sigma L_s}u_{sd} \\ \frac{di_{sq}}{dt} = -\omega_s i_{sd} - \left(\frac{1}{\sigma T_s} - \frac{1-\sigma}{\sigma T_r}\right)i_{sq} - \frac{1-\sigma}{\sigma}\omega\psi'_{rq} + \frac{1-\sigma}{\sigma T_r}\psi'_{rq} + \frac{1}{\sigma L_s}u_{sq} \\ \frac{d\psi'_{rd}}{dt} = \frac{1}{T_r}i_{sd} - \frac{1}{T_r}\psi'_{rd} + (\omega_s - \omega)\psi'_{rq} \\ \frac{d\psi'_{rd}}{dt} = \frac{1}{T_r}i_{sq} - (\omega_s - \omega)\psi'_{rd} - \frac{1}{T_r}\psi'_{rq} \end{cases}$$
(4)

Select the rotating dq coordinate system whose q axis is perpendicular to the flux generated by the rotor, we have $\psi_{rd} = 0$. Applying this to (5) yields:

$$\frac{di_{sd}}{dt} = -\left(\frac{1}{\sigma T_s} + \frac{1-\sigma}{\sigma T_s}\right)i_{sd} + \omega_s i_{sq} + \frac{1-\sigma}{\sigma T_r}\psi'_{rd} + \frac{1}{\sigma L_s}u_{sd}$$
(5)

$$\frac{di_{sq}}{dt} = -\omega_s i_{sd} - \left(\frac{1}{\sigma T_s} - \frac{1-\sigma}{\sigma T_r}\right) i_{sq} - \frac{1-\sigma}{\sigma} \omega \psi'_{rd} + \frac{1}{\sigma L_s} u_{sq}$$
(6)

$$\frac{d\psi'_{rd}}{dt} = \frac{1}{T_r} i_{sd} - \frac{1}{T_r} \psi'_{rd} \tag{7}$$

$$0 = \frac{1}{T_r} i_{sq} - (\omega_s - \omega) \psi'_{rd}$$
(8)

Accordingly, we can determine the equation for moment of force and the equations for the calculation and for the control of the rotor flux:

$$m_{M} = \frac{3}{2} z_{p} (1 - \sigma) L_{s} \psi'_{rd} i_{sq}$$
⁽⁹⁾

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$$0 = i_{md} + T_r \frac{di_{md}}{dt} - i_{sd} \tag{10}$$

$$0 = \omega_r T_r i_{md} - i_{sq} \tag{11}$$

$$i_{md} = \frac{\psi_{rd}}{L_m} \tag{12}$$

Thus, the control quantity for flux is i_{sd} , and the control quantity for the moment of force is i_{sq} .

3. Space vector modulation and formulas to convert the coordinate system

The space vector modulation (SVM) method is based on the stator voltage equation (13) with the condition (14). By presenting the stator voltage equation as a vector, it is easy to control the IM motor based on imposing a three-phase voltage on the stator.

$$u_{s} = \frac{2}{3} \left(u_{a}(t) + u_{b}(t) + u_{c}(t) \right)$$
(13)

$$u_a(t) + u_b(t) + u_c(t) = 0$$
(14)

Unlike u_a , u_b , u_c , the vector u_s is a vector with constant modules with the angular frequency determined on the Oxy plane with the Ox axis coinciding with the phase *a*. This vector can be represented as two orthogonal vectors *ux* and *uy* by projecting on an arbitrary *Odq* coordinate system. Accordingly, u_s can be expressed as below:

$$\overrightarrow{u_s} = \overrightarrow{u_x} + \overrightarrow{u_y} \tag{15}$$

In the FOC control method, it is common to choose two common coordinate systems. The $O\alpha\beta$ -coordinate system has the α -axis coinciding with the windings of phase *a*, known as a fixed coordinate system with the stator. The *Odq* coordinate system has the *d* axis coinciding with the rotor flux angle, known as the rotor flux coordinate system. Therefore, to carry out the IM motor control as described in equations (10), (13), it is necessary to convert the measured current and voltage to the *dq* coordinate system and convert the control signal from the *dq* coordinate system to the $\alpha\beta$ coordinate system. Therefore, the current from $\alpha\beta$ coordinate system to *abc* coordinate system is given as

$$\begin{bmatrix} i_{\alpha} \\ i_{\beta} \end{bmatrix} = \frac{2}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} i_{\alpha} \\ i_{b} \\ i_{c} \end{bmatrix}$$
(16)

The formula for converting the current from $\alpha\beta$ coordinate system to dq coordinate system is

$$\begin{bmatrix} i_{a} \\ i_{q} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\varphi) & \sin(\varphi) \\ -\sin(\varphi) & \cos(\varphi) \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} i_{\alpha} \\ i_{\beta} \end{bmatrix}$$
(17)

The formula for converting the voltage from dq coordinate system to $\alpha\beta$ coordinate system is

$$\begin{bmatrix} u_d \\ u_q \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\phi) & -\sin(\phi) \\ \sin(\phi) & \cos(\phi) \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} u_\alpha \\ u_\beta \end{bmatrix}$$
(18)

The formula for converting the voltage from $\alpha\beta$ coordinate system to *abc* coordinate system is

$$\begin{bmatrix} u_a \\ u_b \\ u_c \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{2} & -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} u_a \\ u_\beta \end{bmatrix}$$
(19)

The F2806x MCU is designed for motor control applications. Therefore, they are optimized for these applications with the library blocks available for the above transformation.

4. Algorithm for flux model

The method of determining the rotor flux uses an equation

$$\psi_{rd} = L_m \int \left(\frac{1}{T_r} i_{sd} - \frac{1}{T_r} \psi_{rd}\right) dt \tag{20}$$

For ease of application to microcontrollers, the above equation is discretized as follows:

$$\psi_{rd}(k) = L_m \left(\frac{T_s}{T_r} i_{sd}(k-1) - \left(1 - \frac{T_s}{T_r} \right) \psi_{rd}(k-1) \right)$$
(21)

The condition for the correct expression (22) is that the dq coordinate system must be in sync with the rotor flux's rotation angle, and the d axis must coincide with the direction of the flux vector. We can determine the value of the synchronous angular velocity as follows:

$$\omega_s = \frac{1}{T_r} \frac{i_{sq}}{\psi_{rd}} + Z_p \omega \tag{22}$$

Discretizing the above equation yields:

$$\omega_s(k+1) = \frac{1}{T_r} \frac{i_{sq}(k-1)}{\psi'_{rd}(k-1)} + Z_p \omega(k-1)$$
(23)

In practice, acquiring parameters such as ia, ib always uses low pass filters, so the measured current signals will be phase lag compared to the actual current. The obtained flux angle of the model will be delayed by a certain value compared to the actual flux angle. To have the correct angle, it is necessary to have an angle correction stage before putting it into the voltage coordinate conversion.

5. Experimental results

An experimental model built upon the descriptions given using F2806x MCU is used to execute the control algorithm. The entire controller structure has been designed on Matlab / Simulink software and compiled to be included in the microcontroller. The results are given in Fig 1 to Fig 3.



Fig 1: Experimental results of current Idq



Fig 2: Experimental results of the speed



Fig 3: Experimental results of the current

6. Conclusion

The obtained experimental results confirm that F2806x MCU can implement the FOC control technique for IM motors. In particular, the meaning of the IM control systems developed on the F2806x MCU is low cost. The author proposes a solution to build a standardized hardware system that can interfere with the microprocessor's control structure. The advantage of this solution is that it is inexpensive and allows us to install different algorithms. Besides, the researcher can adequately intervene in the system.

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