

# Dynamic Stability Improvement for Non-Conventional Energy Resources by using STATCOM Control Scheme

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**Abstract** This paper presents a control scheme based on a static synchronous compensator (STATCOM) to achieve both voltage control and damping enhancement of a grid-connected integrated 80-MW offshore wind farm (OWF) and 40-MW marine-current farm (MCF). The performance of the studied OWF is simulated by an equivalent doubly-fed induction generator (DFIG) driven by an equivalent wind turbine (WT) while an equivalent squirrel-cage rotor induction generator (SCIG) driven by an equivalent marine-current turbine (MCT) is employed to simulate the characteristics of the MCF. A damping controller of the STATCOM is designed by using modal control theory to contribute effective damping characteristics to the studied system under different operating conditions. A frequency-domain approach based on a linearized system model using Eigen value techniques and a time-domain scheme based on a nonlinear system model subject to various disturbances are both employed to simulate the effectiveness of the proposed control scheme. It can be concluded from the simulated results that the proposed STATCOM joined with the designed damping controller is very effective to stabilize the studied system under disturbance conditions. The voltage fluctuations of the AC bus subject to the active-power variations of the studied system can also be effectively controlled by the proposed control scheme.

**Keywords**—Dynamic stability, marine-current farm, offshore wind farm, static synchronous compensator.

## I. INTRODUCTION

BOTH wind energy and ocean energy have been integrated together in the U.K. [1]–[3]. Ocean energy may include thermal energy, wave energy, offshore wind energy, tidal energy, ocean current energy, etc. Generators driven by marine-current turbine (MCT) combined with offshore generators driven by wind turbine (WT) will become a novel scheme for energy production in the future. Since oceans cover more than 70% surface of the earth, a hybrid power generation system containing both offshore wind farm (OWF) and marine-current farm (MCF) can be extensively developed at the specific locations of the world in the future. One of the simple methods of running an OWF is to connect the output terminals of several DFIGs together and then connect to a power grid through an offshore step-up transformer and undersea cable. To run an MCF may use several squirrel-cage induction generators (SCIGs) connected directly to the power grid through an offshore step-up transformer and undersea cables. Both WTs and MCTs have very similar operating characteristics but an SCIG-based MCF requires reactive power for magnetization while a DFIG-based OWF with two

bi-directional power converters can control its output power factor to be close to unity. When the generated active power of an SCIG-based MCF is varied due to marine-current fluctuations, the absorbed reactive power and the terminal voltage of the MCF can be significantly affected. In the event of increasing grid disturbances, e.g., grid faults, an energy storage system or a control device for a large-scale high-capacity power generation system is generally required to compensate fluctuating components when connecting to a power grid. A large-scale OWF may combine with different FACTS devices or energy-storage systems such as a STATCOM [4], [5], etc.

The analyzed results of stability improvement of power systems using STATCOMs and the damping controller design of STATCOMs were presented in [6]. The design of an output feedback linear quadratic controller for a STATCOM and a variable-blade pitch of a wind energy conversion system to perform both voltage control and mechanical power control under grid-connection or islanding conditions were shown in [7]. System modeling and controller design for fast load voltage regulation and mitigation of voltage flicker using a STATCOM were demonstrated in [8]. A new D-STATCOM control algorithm enabling separate control of positive- and negative-sequence currents was proposed, and the algorithm was based on the developed mathematical model in the co-ordinates for a D-STATCOM operating under unbalanced conditions [9]. An in-depth investigation of the dynamic performance of a STATCOM and a static synchronous series compensator (SSSC) using digital simulations was performed in [10]. The results of a study on the application of the recently developed STATCOM for the damping of torsional oscillations occurred in a series compensated AC system were studied while dynamic performance of the nonlinear system with an optimized STATCOM controller was evaluated under a three-phase fault condition [11]. Discussion and comparison of different control techniques such as PSS, static VAR compensator (SVC) and STATCOM for damping undesirable interarea oscillations in power systems were carried out in [12]. The conventional method of PI control for a STATCOM was compared and contrasted with various feedback control strategies, and a linear optimal control based on LQR control was shown to be superior in terms of response profile and control effort required [13]. A STATCOM based on a current-source inverter (CSI) was proposed, and the nonlinear model of the CSI was modified to be a linear model through a novel modeling technique [14].

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A dynamic voltage control scheme based on a combination of SVC and STATCOM technology on a connected transmission system with Igs in a wind farm was discussed [16]. This paper is organized as below. The configuration and the employed models for the studied integrated OWF and MCF with STATCOM are introduced first. Then, the design procedure and design results for the PID damping controller of the proposed STATCOM using pole-placement technique are depicted. Both steady-state operation points under various wind speeds and marine-current speeds and the comparative dynamic responses of the studied system with and without the designed PID damping Controller under a noise wind-speed disturbance, a marine-current speed disturbance, and a three-phase short-circuit fault at the grid are described later. Finally, specific important conclusions of this paper are drawn.

II. MODELS OF THE STUDIED INTEGRATED OWF AND MCF

Fig. 1 shows the configuration of the studied integrated DFIG-based OWF and SCIG-based MCF with the proposed STATCOM. The 80-MW OWF is represented by a large equivalent aggregated DFIG driven by an equivalent aggregated variable-speed WT through an equivalent aggregated gearbox. The 40-MW MCF is represented by a large equivalent aggregated SCIG driven by an equivalent aggregated variable-speed MCT through an equivalent aggregated gearbox. The OWF, the MCF, the STATCOM and a local load are connected to an AC bus that is fed to the onshore power grid through an offshore step-up transformer and undersea cables. The employed mathematical models of the studied system are described as below.

A. Wind Turbine

The mechanical power (in W) produced by a WT can be expressed by

$$P_{TW} = \frac{1}{2} \rho_w \cdot A_{rw} \cdot V_w^3 \cdot C_{pw}(\lambda_{w1}, \beta_w) \quad (1)$$

Where is the air density in kg/m<sup>3</sup> A<sub>rw</sub> is the blade impact area in m<sup>2</sup>. V<sub>w</sub> is the wind speed in m/s, and C<sub>pw</sub> is the power coefficient of the WT. The wind speed V<sub>w</sub> is modelled as the algebraic sum of a base wind speed, a gust wind speed, a ramp wind speed, and a noise wind speed. The detailed equations for these four wind speed components can be referred to [17] while the power coefficient of the WT is

given by [18]. The cut-in, rated, and cut-out wind speeds of the studied WT are 4, 15, and 24 m/s, respectively. When V<sub>w</sub> is lower than the rated wind speed of the WT (V<sub>wrated</sub>), β<sub>w</sub>=0. When V<sub>w</sub> > V<sub>wrated</sub>, the pitch-angle control system of the WT shown in Fig. 2 activates and the pitch angle of the WT (β<sub>w</sub>) increases. Fig. 3 shows the characteristics of the captured per-unit mechanical power versus the per-unit generator rotor speed of one of the forty 2-MW WTs of the studied 80-MW OWF from cut-in wind speed to rated wind speed [19]. The optimal output points in Fig. 3 are the ideal maximum output mechanical power of the WT.

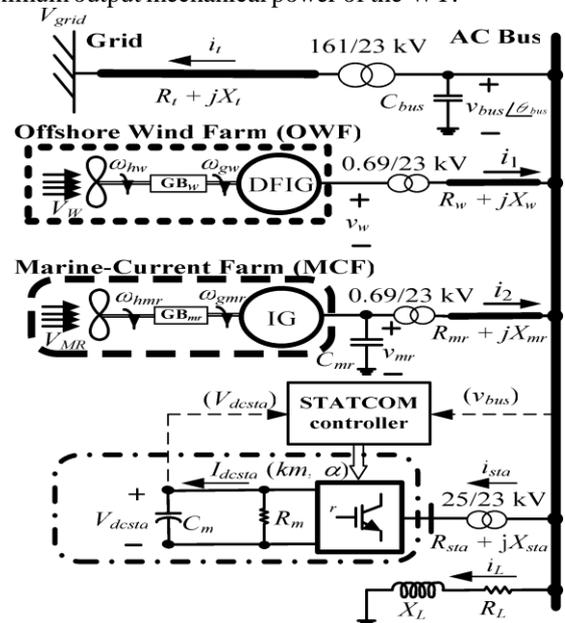


Fig. 1. Configuration of the integrated OWF and MCF with STATCOM.

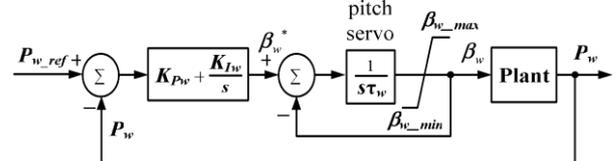


Fig. 2. Block diagram of the pitch-angle control system of the studied WT.

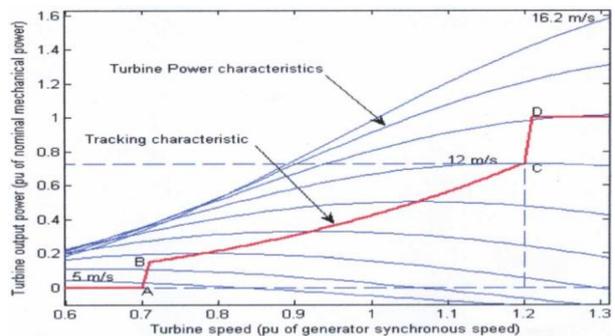


Fig. 3. Characteristics of turbine power versus generator rotor speed [19].

B. Mass-Spring-Damper System and Induction Generator

Fig. 4 shows the two-inertia reduced-order equivalent mass-spring-damper model of the WT coupled to the rotor shaft of the studied wind DFIG [20]–[22]. The effect of the equivalent gearbox between the WT and the DFIG has been included in this model



The per-unit  $q$ - and  $d$ -axis voltage-current equations of an induction generator can be referred to [25], [26] and they can be used for the electrical parts of the wind DFIG and the marine-current SCIG.

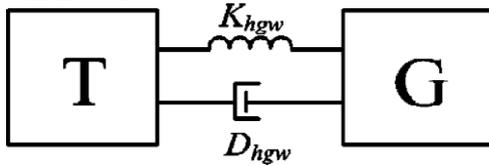


Fig. 4. Two-inertia reduced-order equivalent mass-spring-damper model of the WT coupled to the rotor shaft of the studied wind DFIG.

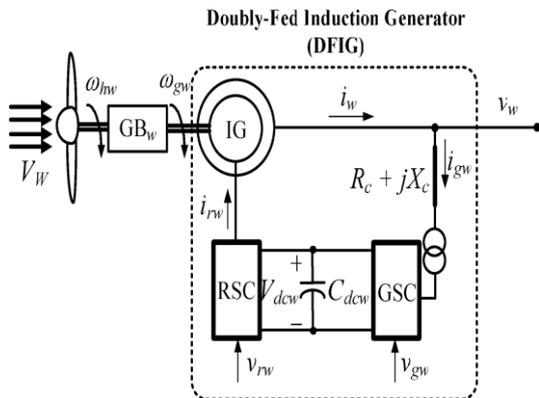


Fig. 5. One-line diagram of the studied doubly-fed induction generator.

### C. Power Converters-DFIG

Fig. 5 shows the one-line diagram of the studied wind DFIG. The stator windings of the wind DFIG are directly connected to the low-voltage side of the 0.69/23-kV step-up transformer while the rotor windings of the DFIG are connected to the same 0.69-kV side through a rotor-side converter (RSC), a DC link, a grid-side converter (GSC), a step-up transformer, and a connection line

For normal operation of a wind DFIG, the input AC-side voltages of the RSC and the GSC can be effectively controlled to achieve the aims of simultaneous output active-power and reactive-power control. Fig. 6 shows the control block diagram of the RSC of the studied DFIG. As shown in Fig. 6, the operation of the RSC requires  $i_{qrw}$  and  $i_{drw}$  to follow the varying reference points that are determined by maintaining the output active power and the stator-winding voltage at the setting values, respectively. The control block diagram of the GSC of the studied wind DFIG is shown in Fig. 7. The per-unit  $q$ - and  $d$ -axis currents of the GSC,  $i_{qgw}$  and  $i_{dgw}$ , have to track the reference points that are determined by maintaining the DC link voltage  $V_{dcw}$  at the setting value and keeping the output of the GSC at unity power factor, respectively. The required per-unit voltage of the GSC ( $v_{gw}$ ) is derived controlling the per-unit  $q$ - and  $d$ -axis currents of the GSC [27]–[29].

### D. Marine-Current Speed and Marine-Current Turbine

The MCT is assumed to be driven by tide velocities, and the current velocity is determined by spring and neap tides. The marine-current speeds are given at hourly intervals starting at 6 h before high waters and ending 6 h after. It is easy to derive a simple and practical model for marine-current speeds under the knowing tide coefficients as follows:

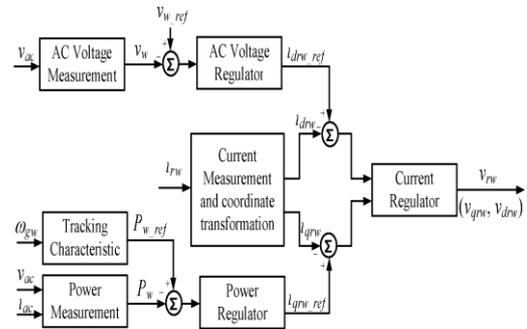


Fig. 6. Control block diagram for the RSC of the DFIG.

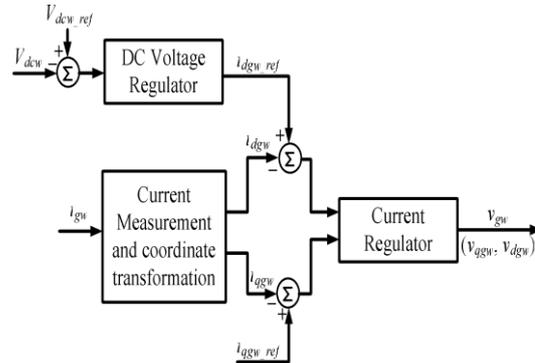


Fig. 7. Control block diagram for the GSC of the DFIG.

$$V_{MR} = V_{nt} + \frac{(C_{mr} - 45)(V_{st} - V_{nt})}{95 - 45}$$

Where  $C_{mr}$  is the marine coefficient, 95 and 45 is are the spring and neap tide medium coefficients, respectively, and  $V_{st}$  and  $V_{nt}$  are the spring and neap marine-current speeds, respectively [1], [3]. The employed marine-current model is between France to England area [1], [3]. The mechanical power (in W) generated by the studied MCT can be expressed by

$$P_{mmr} = \frac{1}{2} \rho_{mr} \cdot A_{rmmr} \cdot V_{MR}^3 \cdot C_{Pmr}(\lambda_{mr}, \beta_{mr})$$

The cut-in, rated, and cut-out speeds of the studied MCT are 1, 2.5, and 4 m/s, respectively. When  $V_{mr}$  is higher than the rated speed, the pitch-angle control system of the MCT activates to limit the output power of the MCT at the rated value. Since the employed turbine model, pitch-angle control system, and mass-spring-damper model of the studied MCF are similar to the ones that are employed in the OWF, some mathematical models employed in the OWF can be slightly modified to be used in the MCF except the parameters.

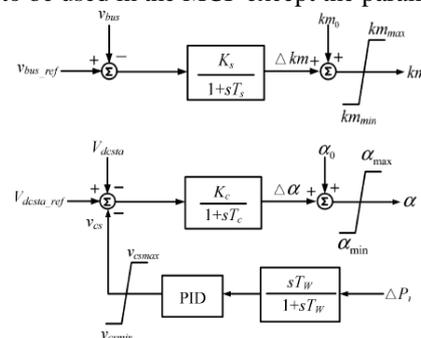


Fig. 8. Control block diagram of the proposed STATCOM including the designed PID damping controller.

**E. STATCOM**

The one-line diagram of the studied STATCOM nwas shown in Fig. 1. The per-unit - and -axis output voltages of STATCOM can be expressed by, respectively, [13]

$$v_{qsta} = V_{dcsta} \cdot km \cdot \cos(\theta_{bus} + \alpha)$$

$$v_{dsta} = V_{dcsta} \cdot km \cdot \sin(\theta_{bus} + \alpha)$$

Where  $V_{qsta}$  and  $V_{dsta}$  are the per-unit - and -axis voltages at the output terminals of the STATCOM, respectively,  $\theta_{bus}$  is the phase angle of the AC-bus voltage,  $V_{dsta}$  is the per-unit DC voltage of the DC capacitor  $C_m$  and  $K_m$  and  $\alpha$  are the modulation index, phase angle of the STATCOM, respectively. The per-unit DC voltage-current equation of the DC equivalent capacitance  $C_m$  can be written as

$$(C_m)p(V_{dcsta}) = \omega_b [I_{dcsta} - (V_{dcsta}/R_m)]$$

Where,

$$I_{dcsta} = i_{qsta} \cdot km \cdot \cos(\theta_{bus} + \alpha) + i_{dsta} \cdot km \cdot \sin(\theta_{bus} + \alpha)$$

is the per-unit DC current flowing into the positive terminal of  $V_{dcsta}$ ,  $R_m$  is the per-unit equivalent resistance that considers the equivalent electrical losses of the STATCOM, and  $I_{qsta}$  and  $i_{dsta}$  are the per-unit - and -axis currents flowing into the terminals of the STATCOM, respectively. The control block diagram of the proposed STATCOM including a PID damping controller is shown in Fig. 8. The per-unit DC voltage  $V_{dcsta}$  is controlled by the phase angle  $\alpha$  while the voltage  $V_{sta}$  is varied by changing the modulation index  $km$ . The employed parameters of this paper are listed in Table I.

**TABLE I  
EMPLOYED SYSTEM PARAMETERS**

System bases	
$V_{base} = 690 \text{ V}$ , $S_{base} = 2 \text{ MW}$ , $\omega_{base} = 2\pi f_{base}$ , $f_{base} = 60 \text{ Hz}$	
Single WT-DFIG of the studied 80-MW OWF	
$r_{sw} = 0.00706 \text{ pu}$ , $X_{sw} = 0.171 \text{ pu}$ , $r_{rw} = 0.005 \text{ pu}$ $X_{rw} = 0.156 \text{ pu}$ , $X_{mw} = 2.9 \text{ pu}$ , $C_{dcw} = 1.0 \text{ pu}$ $H_{gw} = 0.5 \text{ pu}$ , $H_{hw} = 2.5 \text{ pu}$ , $K_{hgw} = 0.3 \text{ pu}$ , $D_{hgw} = 0.05 \text{ pu}$ $K_{p_{gw}} = 10.2$ , $K_{i_{gw}} = 30.0$ , $\tau_{gw} = 100 \text{ s}$ , $\beta_{w \text{ min}} = 0^\circ$ , $\beta_{w \text{ max}} = 30^\circ$	
Single MCT-SCIG of the studied 40-MW MCF	
$r_{smr} = 0.00488 \text{ pu}$ , $X_{smr} = 0.09241 \text{ pu}$ , $r_{mr} = 0.00549 \text{ pu}$ $X_{mr} = 0.09955 \text{ pu}$ , $X_{mmr} = 3.95279 \text{ pu}$ $H_{gmr} = 0.5 \text{ pu}$ , $H_{hmr} = 3.5 \text{ pu}$ , $K_{hgmr} = 0.1 \text{ pu}$ , $D_{hgmr} = 0.1 \text{ pu}$ $K_{p_{mr}} = 20.0$ , $K_{i_{mr}} = 30.0$ , $\tau_{mr} = 120 \text{ s}$ , $\beta_{mr \text{ min}} = 0^\circ$ , $\beta_{mr \text{ max}} = 30^\circ$	
STATCOM ( $\pm 32 \text{ MVAR}$ )	
$R_m = 500 \text{ pu}$ , $C_m = 0.074 \text{ F}$ $R_{sta} = 0.05 \text{ pu}$ , $X_{sta} = 0.2 \text{ pu}$ , $T_s = 0.01 \text{ s}$ , $K_s = 0.1$ $T_c = 0.01 \text{ s}$ , $K_c = 0.5$ , $km_{\text{max}} = 1.0$ , $km_{\text{min}} = 0.0$ , $km_0 = 0.5$ $\alpha_{\text{max}} = 45^\circ$ , $\alpha_{\text{min}} = -45^\circ$ , $\alpha_0 = 0^\circ$ , $v_{c\text{max}} = 0.2$ , $v_{c\text{min}} = -0.2$	
Transmission lines, capacitor banks, and local load	
$R_w = 0.02 \text{ pu}$ , $X_w = 0.4 \text{ pu}$ $R_{mr} = 0.02 \text{ pu}$ , $X_{mr} = 0.4 \text{ pu}$ , $C_{mr} = 0.3125 \text{ pu}$ $R_l = 0.04 \text{ pu}$ , $X_l = 0.8 \text{ pu}$ , $C_{bus} = 0.125 \text{ pu}$ , $R_l = 8.0 \text{ pu}$ , $X_l = 4.0 \text{ pu}$	
Constants of power coefficients of WT and MCT	
$c_1 = 0.34$ , $c_2 = 128$ , $c_3 = 0.4$ , $c_4 = c_5 = 0$ , $c_6 = 11$ $c_7 = 10.9$ , $c_8 = 0.08$ , $c_9 = 0.01$ $d_1 = 0.18$ , $d_2 = 85$ , $d_3 = 0.38$ , $d_4 = 0.25$ , $d_5 = 0.5$ , $d_6 = 10.2$ $d_7 = 6.2$ , $d_8 = 0.025$ , $d_9 = -0.0443$	

**III. DESIGN OF A PID DAMPING CONTROLLER FOR STATCOM USING MODAL CONTROL THEORY**

This section presents a unified approach based on modal control theory to design the PID damping controller of the proposed STATCOM shown in Fig. 8 for dynamic stability improvement of the studied system. The nonlinear system equations developed in Section II are first linearized around a

nominal operating point to obtain a set of linearized system equations in matrix form of [30].

$$pX = AX + BU + VW$$

$$Y = CX + DU$$

Where  $X$  is the state vector,  $Y$  is the output vector,  $U$  is the external or compensated input vector,  $W$  is the disturbance input vector while  $A, B, C$  and  $D$  are all constant matrices of appropriate dimensions. To design a damping controller for the proposed STATCOM, the disturbance input vector in (8) and the external input vector in (9) can be properly neglected by letting  $D = V = 0$ . The state vector  $X$  can be partitioned into five substate vectors as

$$X = [X_{DFIG}, X_{SCIG}, X_{MECH}, X_{ELEC}, X_{STA}]^T$$

where  $X_{DFIG}, X_{SCIG}, X_{MECH}, X_{ELEC}$ , and  $X_{STA}$  are referred to the system state vectors of the wind DFIG, the marine-current SCIG, the mechanical systems of both WT and MCT, the electrical system including the AC bus, three transmission lines and local load, and the STATCOM, respectively. Because  $V_w$  seldom reaches the rated wind speed of 15 m/s and  $V_{mr}$  seldom operated above the rated marine-current speed of 2.5m/s,  $V_w$  of 12 m/s and  $V_{mr}$  of 2.5 m/s are properly selected as the operating points for designing the PID damping controller of the STATCOM.

The eigen values and the corresponding damping ratios of the studied integrated OWF and MCF without and with the STATCOM under  $V_w = 12\text{m/s}$  and  $V_{mr} = 2.5\text{m/s}$  are listed in the third and the fourth columns of Table II, respectively. The Eigen values A1-A4 and A5-A8 listed in Table II relate to the electrical modes of the studied DFIG and SCIG, respectively.

**TABLE II  
EIGENVALUES (RAD/S) [DAMPING RATIOS] OF THE STUDIED SYSTEM UNDER WIND SPEED OF 12 M/S AND MARINE-CURRENT SPEED OF 2.5 M/S**

		OWF + MCF	OWF + MCF + STATCOM	OWF + MCF + STATCOM + PID
$\Lambda_{1,2}$	$X_{DFIG}$	-7.12 ± j371.14 [0.01918]	-6.99 ± j371.15 [0.01883]	-7.06 ± j371.14 [0.01902]
		$\Lambda_{3,4}$	-5.03 ± j37.29 [0.13368]	-5.09 ± j37.882 [0.13316]
$\Lambda_{5,6}$	$X_{SCIG}$	-21.26 ± j373.74 [0.05679]	-21.25 ± j373.74 [0.05677]	-21.34 ± j373.75 [0.05700]
		$\Lambda_{7,8}$	-114.05 ± j16.128 [0.99015]	-125.11 ± j2.9282 [0.99972]
$\Lambda_{9,10}$	$X_{MECH}$	-3.41 ± j4.8212 [0.57745]	-5.41 ± j4.7722 [0.74993]	-5.5 ± j4.8* [0.75342]
$\Lambda_{11,12}$		-13.64 ± j0.6579 [0.99883]	-15.44 ± j0.5579 [0.99934]	-15.5 ± j0.56* [0.99935]
$\Lambda_{13,14}$		-1.52 ± j5.1231 [0.28444]	-1.46 ± j5.6831 [0.24882]	-1.47 ± j5.1231 [0.27581]
$\Lambda_{15,16}$		-6.62, -4.01	-6.61, -4.03	-6.62, -4.01
$\Lambda_{17,18}$	-2.03, -2.84	-2.01, -2.82	-2.13, -3.1	
$\Lambda_{19,20}$	$X_{ELEC}$	-20.55 ± j3988.77 [0.005152]	-37.55 ± j4435.3 [0.008466]	-37.41 ± j4435.5 [0.008434]
		$\Lambda_{21,22}$	-733.53 ± j376.77 [0.88952]	-736.13 ± j377.68 [0.88973]
$\Lambda_{23,24}$	-16.11 ± j376.22 [0.04278]	-16.11 ± j376.22 [0.04278]	-16.06 ± j376.15 [0.04249]	
$\Lambda_{25,26}$	$X_{STA}$	-	-89.64 ± j789.42 [0.11283]	-92.77 ± j788.2 [0.11689]
$\Lambda_{27,28}$		-	-122.66 ± j215.55 [0.49458]	-118.81 ± j218.75 [0.47727]
$\Lambda_{29}$	-	-91.05	-92.22	

\*denotes exactly assigned eigenvalues

The eigen values A9-A18 and A19-A24 listed in Table II refer to the mechanical modes and the electrical modes of the studied system, respectively. The eigen values A25-A29 refer to the modes of the STATCOM. An examination of the eigen values listed in Table II has the following points. 1) The DFIG modes, the SCIG modes, and the electrical modes of the studied system are almost fixed on the complex plane; 2) The damping of both and is slightly improved when the STATCOM is connected to the integrated OWF and MCF. The damping of both and can be simultaneously improved by the addition of the designed PID damping controller; 3) All system eigen values are located on the left half of the complex plane under a fixed wind speed and a fixed marine-current speed.

The control block diagram of the phase angle of the STATCOM including the PID damping controller was shown in Fig. 8. It is seen that the PID damping controller employs the active-power deviation of the transmission line as a feedback signal to generate a damping signal in order that the damping characteristics of the poorly damped modes and listed in Table II can be effectively improved. Hence, the output signal in (9) is and is the input vector. The transfer function of the proposed PID damping controller in domain is given by

$$H(s) = \frac{\mathbf{U}(s)}{\mathbf{Y}(s)} = \frac{v_{cs}(s)}{\Delta P_t(s)} = \frac{sT_W}{1+sT_W} \left( K_P + \frac{K_I}{s} + sK_D \right)$$

Where is the time constant of the wash-out term while , and are the proportional, integral, and derivative gains of the damping controller, respectively. Taking the Laplace transformation of (8)–(9), an algebraic equation of the closed-loop system containing the PID damping controller can be obtained. The input signal in domain can be expressed by

$$\mathbf{U}(s) = H(s)\Delta P_t(s) = H(s)\mathbf{Y}(s) = H(s)\mathbf{C}\mathbf{X}(s).$$

Combining (10)–(11), we have

$$s\mathbf{X}(s) = \{\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}[H(s)\mathbf{C}]\}\mathbf{X}(s).$$

The characteristic equation of the closed-loop system including the PID damping controller is given by

$$\det\{s\mathbf{I} - [\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}H(s)\mathbf{C}]\} = 0.$$

The four parameters of the PID damping controller can be determined by substituting two pairs of the specified complex-conjugated eigen values corresponding to the assigned modes ( and ) into (13). The design results of the PID damping controller of the STATCOM are presented as below.

*Prespecified Eigenvalues:*

$$\Lambda_{9,10} = -5.5 \pm j4.8 \quad \Lambda_{11,12} = -15.5 \pm j0.56.$$

*Parameters of the Designed PID Damping Controller:*

$$K_P = 10.5, K_I = 2.37, K_D = 0.06, T_W = 0.08 \text{ s}.$$

The system eigenvalues of the studied integrated OWF and MCF with the proposed STATCOM joined with the esigned PID damping controller are listed in the fifth column of Table II. It can be clearly observed that both and have been exactly positioned on the desired locations on the complex plane. Some major constraints for selecting the assigned eigenvalues are simply depicted as below [30].

1) The obtained parameters of the PID damping controller should be reasonable. For example, the time constant of the

washout term must be positive and the gains of the PID damping controller should be as small as possible.

2) The eigenvalues of the closed-loop system including the designed PID damping controller should be completely located on the left half of the complex plane at the selected operating conditions.

According to the eigenvalue results listed in the fifth column of Table II and the four parameters of the designed PID damping controller of the STATCOM shown above, it can be concluded that both constraints 1) and 2) mentioned above can be simultaneously met.

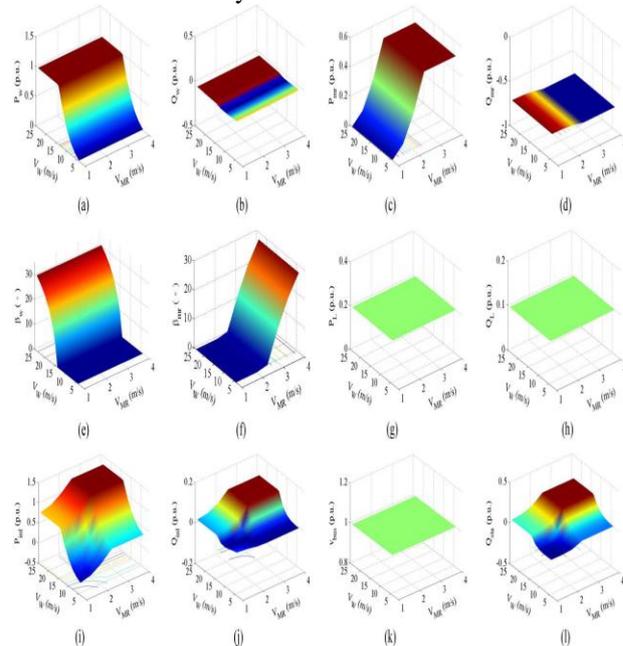


Fig. 9. Steady-state operating conditions of the studied system under various values of wind speed and marine-current speed (a) □, (b) □, (c) □, (d) □, (e) □, (f) □, (g) □, (h) □, (i) □, (j) □, (k) □, (l) □

#### IV. STEADY-STATE ANALYSIS UNDER VARIOUS OPERATING CONDITIONS

This section presents the steady-state operating condition results of the studied system when is increased from 4 to 24 m/s while is increased from 1 to 4 m/s. Fig. 9 shows the 3-D plots for the calculated steady-state operating conditions of the studied system under the selected values for and . The steady-state operating conditions shown in Fig. 9 are analyzed as below.

- 1) Fig. 9(a) shows that the output active power of the OWF increases with the increase of when is less than the rated wind speed of 15 m/s. Fig. 9(c) shows that the output active power of the MCF increases with the increase of when is less than the rated marine current speed of 2.5 m/s.
- 2) However, the output reactive power of the DFIG-based OWF shown in Fig. 9(b) is kept nearly zero due to the unity-power-factor operation of the GSC of the DFIG. The output reactive power of the MCF shown in Fig. 9(d) is kept a negative constant value due to the inherent required magnetization VAR of the SCIG-based MCF.
- 3) When or is larger than its rated value, the pitch angle of the WT shown in Fig. 9(e) or the pitch angle of the MCT shown in Fig. 9(f) increases to limit the output active power at the rated value.



- 4) The AC-bus voltage magnitude shown in Fig. 9(k) can be kept at 1.0 pu by the proposed STATCOM. Hence, the absorbed active power and reactive power of the local load can also be kept at constant values as shown in Fig. 9(g) and (h).
- 5) When both and increase from the cut-in values to the rated values, and increase accordingly and, hence, the active power delivered to the onshore grid increases as shown in Fig. 9(i) but the reactive power delivered to the onshore grid slightly increases as shown in Fig. 9(j). When both and are higher than the rated values, and become constant and, hence, both and exhibit flat tops as shown in Fig. 9(i) and (j).
- 6) The reactive-power variation of the STATCOM shown in Fig. 9(l) is similar to the one of because is responsible to supply or absorb the required reactive power from the AC bus to maintain constant.

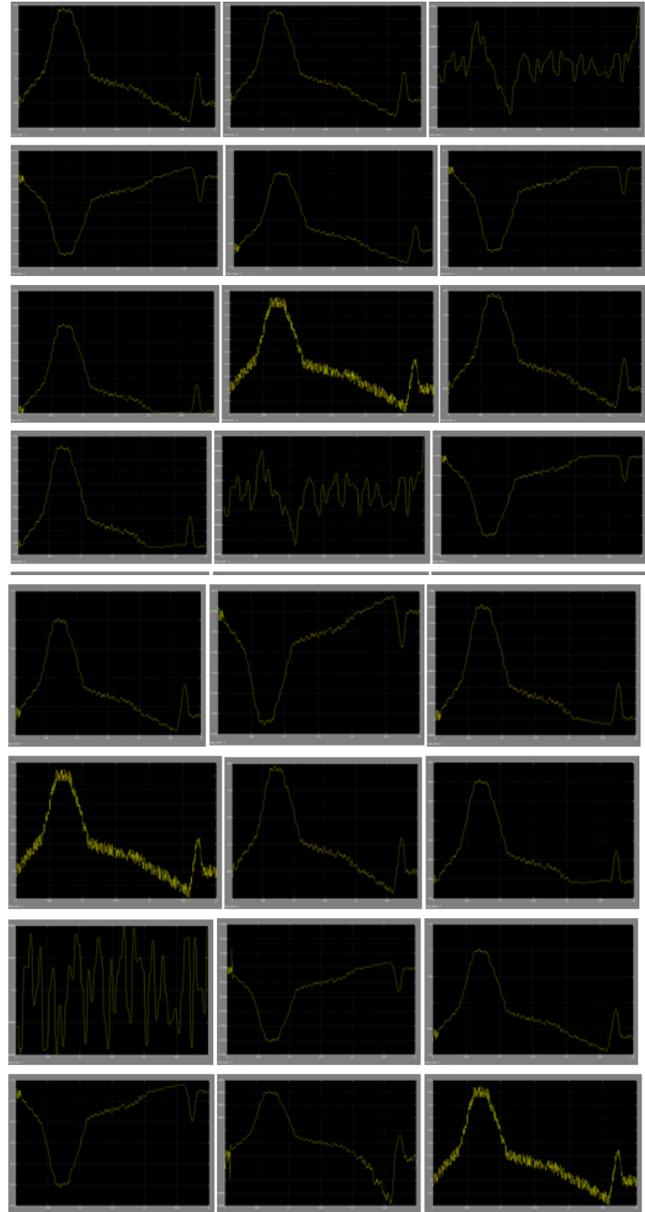
**V. NONLINEAR MODEL SIMULATIONS**

This section uses the nonlinear system model developed in Section II to compare the damping characteristics contributed by the proposed STATCOM joined with the designed PID damping controller on dynamic stability improvement of the studied system under a noise wind-speed disturbance, a marine- current speed disturbance, and a three-phase short-circuit fault at the grid, respectively.

**A. Noise Wind-Speed Disturbance**

Fig. 10(a)–(g) illustrates the studied system with and without the proposed STATCOM and the designed PID damping controller under the noise wind-speed disturbance shown in Fig. 10(h). The simulation sequence is as below: 1) When the OWF operates under a base wind speed of 12 m/s and the MCF operates under a base marine-current speed of 2.5 m/s; 2) When , the noise-wind speed shown in Fig. 10(h) is added to the system but the marine- current speed is still kept at m/s. The dynamic simulation results shown in Fig. 10(a)–(g) are analyzed as below.

- 1) It can be seen from the dynamic response of shown Fig. 10(g) that the proposed STATCOM with the designed PID damping controller can effectively maintain the AC bus voltage at around 1.0 pu by properly adjusting to tune the quantity of the reactive power of the STATCOM delivered to the AC bus.
- 2) Because the proposed STATCOM joined with the designed PID damping controller can offer adequate damping characteristics to the studied system, the oscillations of , and due to the random noise wind speed disturbance can be fast damped, and they have the smallest amplitudes in three curves.
- 3) The amplitudes of the active power delivered to the power grid shown in Fig. 10(e) and the active power generated by the SCIG of the MCF shown in Fig. 10(c) can be slightly reduced and the absorbed reactive power from the power grid shown in Fig. 10(f) can be decreased when the STATCOM joined with the PID controller is included in the studied system.
- 4) The generated active power of the DFIG shown in Fig. 10(a) is not affected by the addition of the STATCOM with the PID controller.



**Fig 10 Dynamic responses of the studied system with and without the designed PID STATCOM damping controller under a noise wind speed disturbance wfmcf, wfmcfstat, wfmcfstatpid (Pw, Qw, Pmr, Qmr, Pgrid, Qgrid, Vbus, Vw)**

**B. Marine-Current Speed Disturbance**

Fig. 11(a)–(g) plots the studied system with and without the proposed STATCOM and the designed PID damping controller under the marine-current speed disturbance shown in Fig. 11(h). When s, the OWF operates under a case wind speed of current speed of m/s. It is seen from the dynamic simulation results shown in Fig. 11(a)–(g) that all quantities are slightly deviated from the steady-state operating points at s due to the small variations on marine-current speed. Since marine-current speed is closely related to the output active power of the MCT, it is seen that the dynamic response of shown in Fig. 11(c) is similar to the one of shown in Fig. 11(h) and the high-frequency components existing in shown in Fig. 11(h) have been filtered out. Comparing the dynamic responses of shown in Fig. 11(d) with shown in Fig. 11(h), it is found that the magnitude of gets higher when increases.

This is due to the fact that the IG-based MCF requires larger reactive power for magnetization when the rotational speed and the output active power of the SCIG of the MCF increase.

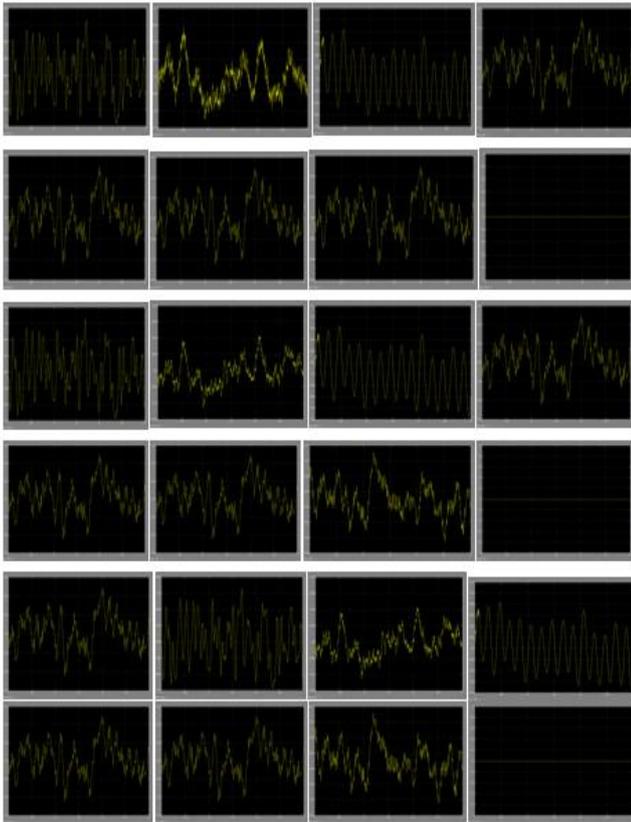


Fig. 11. Dynamic responses of the studied system with and without the PID STATCOM damping controller under a marine-current speed disturbance wfmcf, wfmcfstat, wfmcfstatpid (Pw, Qw, Pmr, Qmr, Pgrid, Qgrid, Vbus, Vw)

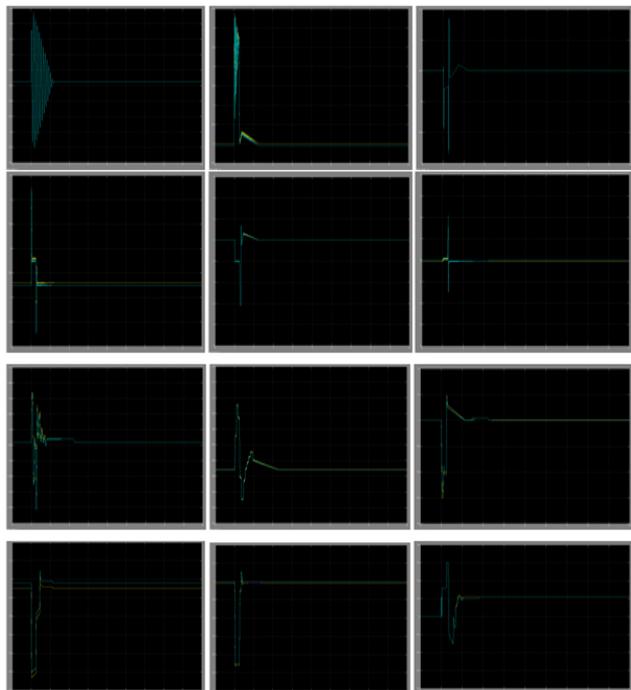


Fig. 12. Transient responses of the studied system with and without the designed PID STATCOM damping controller under a three-phase fault at power grid (Pw, Qw, Pmr, Qmr, Pinf, Qin, Wgw, Wgmr, Vsw, Vmr, Vbus, Qsta)

### C. Three-Phase Short-Circuit Fault at Power Grid

Fig. 12 plots the transient responses of the studied system with and without the proposed STATCOM joined with the designed PID damping controller under a three-phase short-circuit fault at the grid. The OWF operates under a base wind speed of 12 m/s while the MCF operates under a base marine-current speed of 2.5 m/s. A three-phase short-circuit fault is suddenly applied to the grid at  $t = 1$  s and is cleared at  $t = 1.5$  s. It is seen from the transient simulation results shown in Fig. 12 that most quantities suddenly drop to low values when the fault occurs. When the fault is cleared, all responses shown in Fig. 12 stably return the original steady-state operating conditions within 4 s. The proposed STATCOM with the designed PID damping controller can offer better damping characteristics to the studied system under the severe three-phase short-circuit fault than without the PID controller.

## VI. CONCLUSION

This paper has presented the dynamic stability improvement of an integrated OWF and MCF using a STATCOM. A PID damping controller has been designed for the STATCOM by using a unified approach based on pole-assignment approach. Eigenvalue calculations and time-domain simulations of the studied system subject to a noise wind-speed disturbance, a marine-current speed disturbance, and a three-phase short-circuit fault at the grid have been systematically performed to demonstrate the effectiveness of the proposed STATCOM joined with the designed PID damping controller on suppressing voltage fluctuation of the studied system and improving system dynamic stability under different operating conditions. It can be concluded from the simulation results that the proposed STATCOM joined with the designed PID damping controller is capable of improving the performance of the studied integrated OWF and MCF under different operating conditions.

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