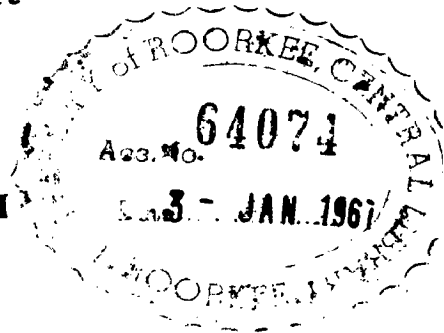


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## SYMBOLS

Unless otherwise stated, following notations will be used:-

$E_1$  = r.m.s. phase to phase voltage at generator

$E_2$  = r.m.s. phase to phase voltage at load.

$E_d, V_d$  = direct voltage.

$I_d$  = direct current

$V_1$  = A.C. Voltage at converter transformer

$V_2$  = A.C. Voltage at inverter transformer.

$\phi_1, \phi_0$  = Power factor at converter transformer a.c. side.

$\phi_2, \phi_2'$  = Power factor on the a.c. side of inverter.

$K_1, K_2$  = Constants depending on connection of rectifier and inverter to be accounted with a.c. and d.c. voltage conversion.  
=  $\frac{3\sqrt{2}}{\pi}$  for 3 phase connection

$K_3, K_4$  = Constants depending on rectifier and inverter to be accounted with a.c. and d.c. current conversion.

$Z_B$  = Equivalent a.c. impedance of d.c. line from sending end.

$Z_R$  = Equivalent a.c. impedance of d.c. line from receiving end.

$\delta_{12}$  = Torque angle between machine 1 and 2.

$\lambda$  = Factor relating sending end and receiving end voltage of d.c. line in a.c. equivalent circuit.

$L$  = Total series inductance of per phase of transformer.

$\alpha$  = Delay angle of grid firing for rectifier.

$\gamma$  = Angle of overlap.

$\delta$  = Deionisation angle of valve.

1, s = Suffix "s" represents for rectifier end.  
Suffix "r" represents for inverter end.

## SYNOPSIS

High voltage direct current power transmission is coming up now a days rapidly. As a matter of fact, in certain countries where sources of power are far away from load centres, d.c. transmission has proved to be the most economical solution. This dissertation deals with the analysis of d.c. systems. A parallel a.c. & d.c. system has been assumed and analysed. The analysis has been primarily devoted towards power flow and reactive power requirements of d.c. transmission systems. Stability considerations have also been discussed. The studies indicate the results in favour of possible use of a combined a.c. and d.c. transmission system.



CHAPTER - 1

## CHAPTER 1

### 1.1. INTRODUCTION

With increased demand of power, it was essential to raise transmission voltage and distance. Additional problems came up with E.H.V. a.c. transmission. In recent years, from time to time due consideration has been given to do away problems associated with long distance a.c. transmission and an alternative d.c. transmission has been suggested. The studies have shown possible economic advantages in favour of d.c. if sufficiently great distances are involved. <sup>(1.62)</sup> As a matter of fact some countries whose power sources are situated far away from load centres are adopting h.v.d.c. for transfer of large blocks of power and studies carried out in their d.c. research centres have shown many technical advantages of d.c. transmission over a.c. As is well known that stability of an a.c. transmission system is dependent on power per circuit and the length of transmission lines. For longer lines reactance becomes high which presents stability problems and thus for longer lines it thus becomes necessary to introduce intermediate stabilizing equipments like series capacitors (in transmission lines), shunt reactors (in cables) or even intermediate switching station. Introduction of any of these equipment increases the cost of the system considerably. In d.c. transmission system the line length does not affect the stability and so it is possible to extend d.c. line length according to load requirements, without using any intermediate compensating equipment or station.

While it is economically justified to use h.v.d.c. transmission for transfer of large blocks of power, <sup>(1.7)</sup> it is not at all practical to do away all the existing h.v.a.c. schemes only

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on this basis. Now a days, where the capacity of existing a.c. projects is to be increased, the new extension is done by d.c. and also for purpose of interconnection of different power systems d.c. links are used. The present studies will bring out the advantages and limitations of d.c. transmission and also its contribution towards stability improvement of the system while working in parallel with an a.c. transmission line.<sup>(13,14)</sup>

### 1.2. PRINCIPLE OF POWER FLOW

It is well established that A.C. is the best form of energy from generation as well as utilization point of view. Generation of d.c. at high pressure is not possible, hence a modern d.c. transmission involves generation in a.c. form, voltage is stepped up by means of step up transformer and after converting it into d.c. by means of rectifier, electrical power is transmitted on lines and fed to the a.c. system after converting back into a.c. form by means of inverters. Voltage can be lowered at the receiving end by stepdown transformer to a distribution voltage suitable for consumers.<sup>(6)</sup> Such a system can be represented as shown in Fig. 1.1.

#### 1.2.1.

In A.C. system power transmitted is given by the relation<sup>(12)</sup>

$$P_1 = \frac{E_1^2}{Z} \cos \theta - \frac{E_1 E_2}{Z} \cos (\delta_{12} + \theta)$$

For sending end, and for receiving end

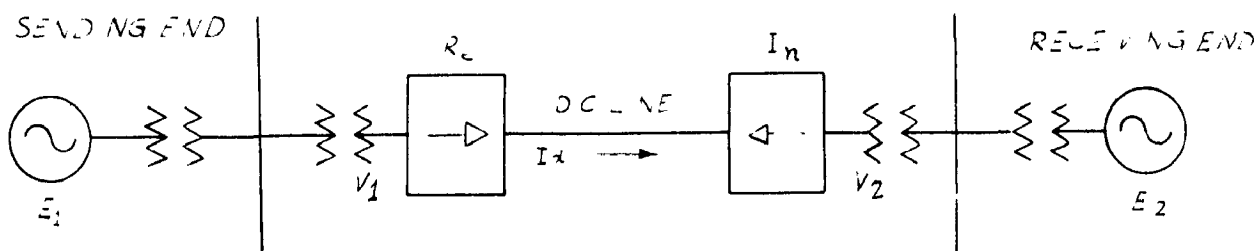
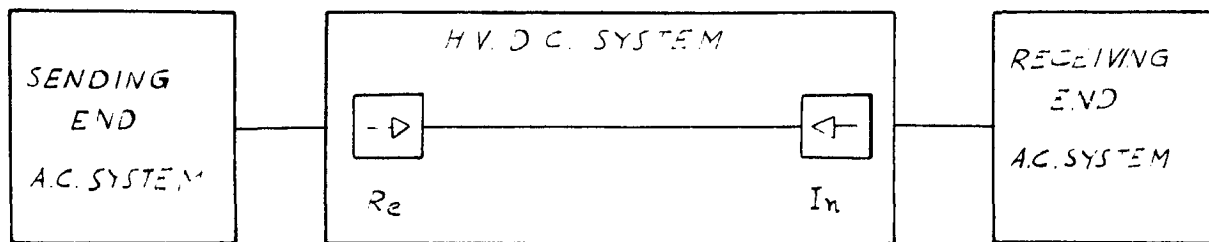


FIG 11 SIMPLE AC-DC-AC SYSTEM.

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$$P_2 = \frac{E_2^2}{Z} \cos \theta - \frac{E_1 E_2}{Z} \cos(\delta_{21} + \theta)$$

Where

$$\tan \theta = \frac{X}{R}$$

$E_1$  &  $E_2$  are the voltages at two ends of transmission lines

$X$  = Line reactance

$R$  = Line resistance

$\delta_{12}$  = Electrical Angle between two voltages also known as torque angle.

If  $R \ll X$  i.e.,

if the resistance of the line is very small as compared with the reactance the above expressions reduce to

$$P_1 = P_2 = P_{ac}$$

$$P_{ac} = \frac{E_1 E_2}{X} \sin \delta_{12} \dots\dots\dots 1.1.$$

In a d.c. system the transmitted power is given by <sup>(13)</sup>

$$P_{d.c.} = \frac{E_{d1} (E_{d1} - E_{d2})}{R} \dots\dots\dots 1.2.$$

Where  $E_{d1}$  and  $E_{d2}$  are direct voltages on the rectifier and inverter ends respectively.

Equation 1.2. shows that d.c. power is proportional to the difference of voltages while as the a.c. power is proportional to product of voltages at two ends.

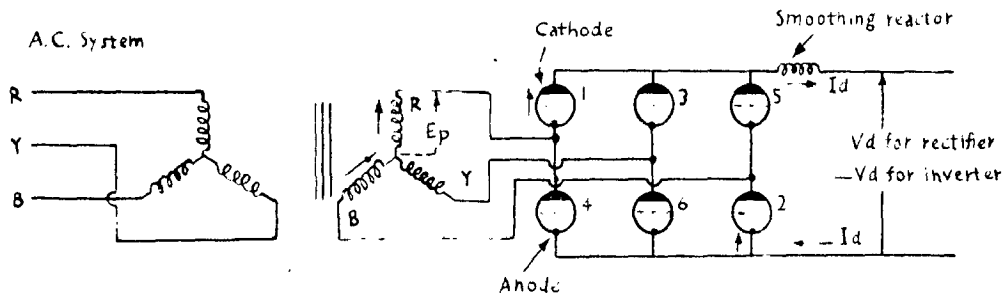
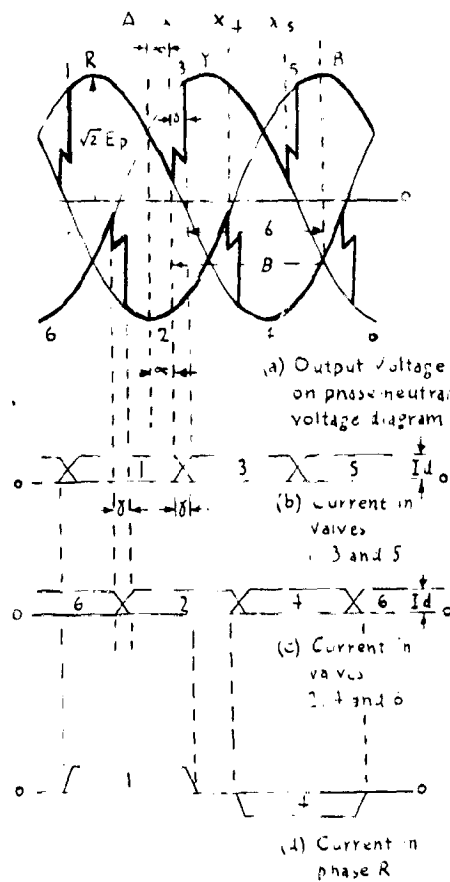


FIGURE 1.2

VALVE ARRANGEMENT



OPERATION AS RECTIFIER

FIGURE 1.3

### 1.3. MAIN EQUIPMENT FOR D.C. TRANSMISSION

The description and working principle of converters can be found in any standard text book (Reference 1.2.6), here only a brief resume is given to enlist the accessories and their behaviour for easy reference.

#### 1) Converter Transformer:

The converter transformer serves the purpose of isolating the a.c. and d.c. systems, it also provides voltage suitable to valves for conversion but even if a suitable voltage for valve is available, a one to one ratio transformer is required for isolation purposes.

#### ii) Operation of Bridge Converter:

A three phase bridge connection as in Fig. 1.2, has been universally accepted, as the best connection for h.v.d.c. converters. This is mainly because the bridge connection provides the best utilisation of the transformer. The current and voltage wave forms are shown in Fig. 1.3. The direct voltage is shown by the thick line.

In a rectifier the anode switching can be delayed or accelerated by controlling the grid operation. The relation of conversion for a delay angle  $\alpha$  is given below:

$$V_d = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} E_m \cos \alpha \quad \dots \dots \dots (1.3)$$

Where

$E_m$  is phase to phase r.m.s. voltage.

$\alpha$  is grid control angle or delayed firing angle, and

$V_d$  is the direct voltage.

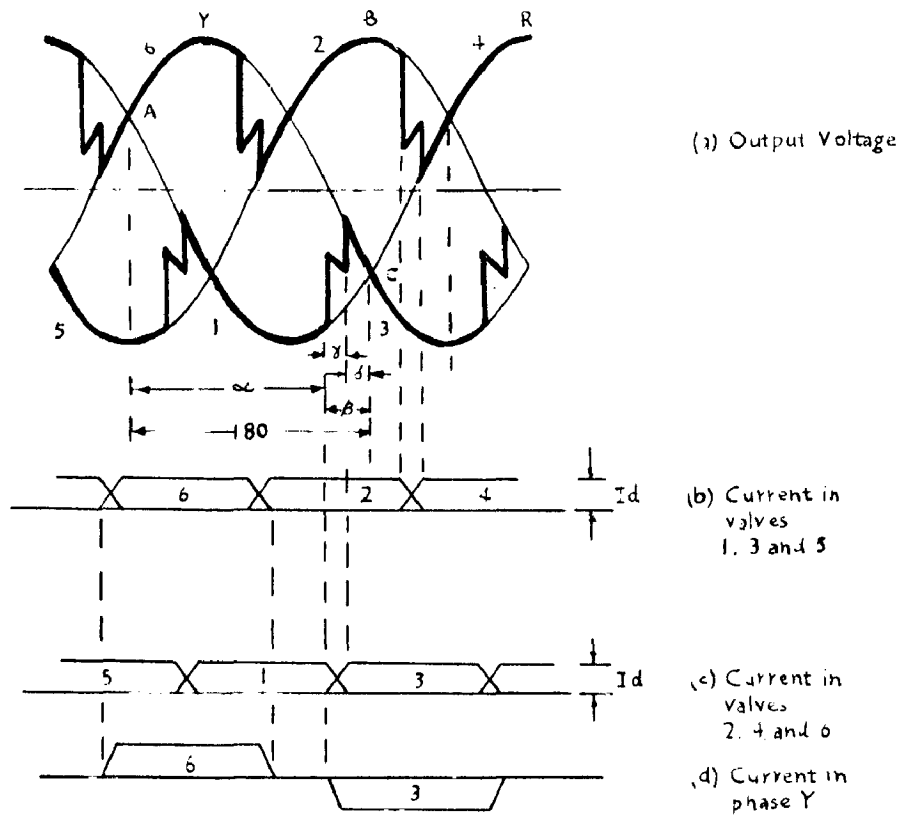


FIGURE 1.4

OPERATION AS INVERTER



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Equation 1.3. shows that by increasing  $\alpha$ , d.c. voltage goes on decreasing, passes through zero and after  $90^\circ$  the direction of power flow reverses, the power being now fed into a.c. system from d.c. line and the converter is said to be acting as inverter.

When one valve stops conducting, the current does not suddenly drop to zero, due to reactance of transformer etc., but it takes a finite <sup>angle</sup> time  $\gamma$  to drop to zero. <sup>(2)</sup> Similarly when next valve starts conducting its current does not attain its full value  $I_d$  immediately after firing. As shown in Fig. 3 the period  $\gamma$  is known as overlap <sup>angle</sup> time. There is a reduction of direct voltage due to this overlap. The voltage relation is given by the following expression.

$$V_d = \frac{\frac{3\sqrt{2}}{\pi} E}{2} [\cos \alpha + \cos (\alpha + \gamma)] \dots 1.4.$$

In relation 1.4,  $V_d$  the average output voltage, calculated by integrating and averaging the waveform.

If the angle  $\gamma$  is neglected then

$$\begin{aligned} V_d &= \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{\pi} E \cos \alpha \\ &= V_o \cos \alpha \end{aligned}$$

where  $V_o$  is the maximum no load output voltage with  $\alpha = 0$ .

To derive the equation governing commutation angle, <sup>(6)</sup> consider, say, commutation from valve 1 to 3 when valve 3 fires, it causes a short circuit between phases Y and phase R. The increasing short circuit current flows against the forward current  $I_d$  in valve 1 until current reduces to zero in valve 1 and

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increases to  $I_d$  in valve 3. The equation of this short-circuit is

$$2L \frac{di_s}{dt} = \sqrt{2} E \sin \omega t.$$

where  $i_s$  is the instantaneous short circuit current. Integration and solution for the conditions,

$$\text{When } \omega t = 0, \quad i_s = I_d \quad \text{given}$$

$$I_d = \frac{E}{\sqrt{2} \omega L} \left[ \cos \alpha - \cos (\alpha + \gamma) \right] \dots\dots(1.5)$$

### iii) Operation of a Bridge Inverter <sup>(9)</sup>

When the angle of delay of a converter exceeds  $90^\circ$ , the average voltage becomes negative, now if an external d.c. voltage forces the current in a direction in which the valves conduct against this negative voltage, the converter receives power and becomes an inverter. The firing angle then is known as angle of advance firing and is given by

$$\alpha = (90 - \beta)$$

It is important to note that the current is still flowing in the same direction, forced by rectifier voltage, Fig. ( 1.4 ).

During inverter operation it is important that commutation is complete, before the following voltage zero, i.e. commutation from valve 1 to 3, must be over before point c, Fig. ( 1.4 ). The point of change in sign of commutating voltage  $V_{cb}$ . In fact the commutation must be complete a certain extinction angle  $\delta$  = about 10 degrees, before voltage <sup>zero</sup>. This is due to fact that when a valve is conducting its grid is surrounded by ionised mercury vapour <sup>(2)</sup> and is ineffective, since the state of ionisation

in a valve does not collapse suddenly at the end of current conduction, but takes certain time to decay. This time is the time required for deionization of the outgoing valve, so that it regains its grid control, otherwise valve 1 will take the current back from valve 2 and result into a fault known as commutation failure.

It is therefore, important to give the inverter a sufficient angle of advance  $\beta = \delta + \theta$ . Therefore grid control is obviously an essential feature for an inverter operation.<sup>(3)</sup> The availability of an a.c. supply is also an essential requirement for an inverter.

Since inverter is merely a rectifier with delay angle  $\alpha$  greater than  $90^\circ$ . The same equations will apply to the inverter operation, for convenience, inverter equations are given in terms of angle of advance firing  $\beta$  and extinction angle  $\delta$ .

The expressions for direct voltage and current for an inverter are<sup>1,2,6</sup>

$$V_d = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\pi} E \left[ \frac{(\cos \beta + \cos \delta)}{2} \right] \dots\dots(1.6)$$

$$I_d = \frac{D}{\sqrt{2} \omega L} (\cos \delta - \cos \beta) \dots\dots(1.7)$$

#### 1v) Smoothing Reactor<sup>(1)</sup>

Fig. 1.3 shows that the d.c. voltage contains ripples and output voltage is not perfectly smooth. In order to reduce the ripple in the d.c. output from the converters and at the same time to limit the rate of rise of the current, a smoothing reactor is usually connected on the d.c. side of the transmission line. This reactor has normally an inductance of few Henry and is designed

as an air-core reactor surrounded by an iron core.

#### V) VALVE CONNECTION: <sup>(3,9)</sup>

Mercury arc valves are not available for very high voltage rating. Maximum valve rating at present does not exceed 200 KV. HV. D.C. terminal stations may contain more than one valve. There is general tendency now a days that where a d.c. terminal station is to contain more than one valve, these will be connected in series (Figure 15), in contradiction to universal practice of parallel connection in case of a.c. stations. This is because of the fact that series connection of valves facilitates taking 'cut' and 'in' of a valve in the case it develops a fault. A by-pass valve is also connected across d.c. terminals to help putting 'in' or 'out' of a particular valve in the circuit.

#### 1.4. TYPES OF H.V. D.C. SYSTEMS:

##### 1.4.1. SINGLE A.C. - D.C. - A.C. SYSTEM <sup>(12)</sup>

In the system shown in figure 1.6(a) one terminal a.c. transmission is used and earth is used as a return path.

Two terminal d.c. transmission system (shown in Figure 1.6(b)), makes use of both positive and negative polarity. Other arrangement is used as two terminal d.c. transmission with mid point earthed as shown in figure 1.6(c). The obvious advantage of the later is that when one terminal develops a fault, the supply of power can be continued through the other terminal and earth.

##### 1.4.2. PARALLEL A.C. - D.C. SYSTEM <sup>(13,14)</sup>

In a parallel a.c. and d.c. system as shown in figure 17, power is transmitted jointly by a.c. and d.c. lines and total

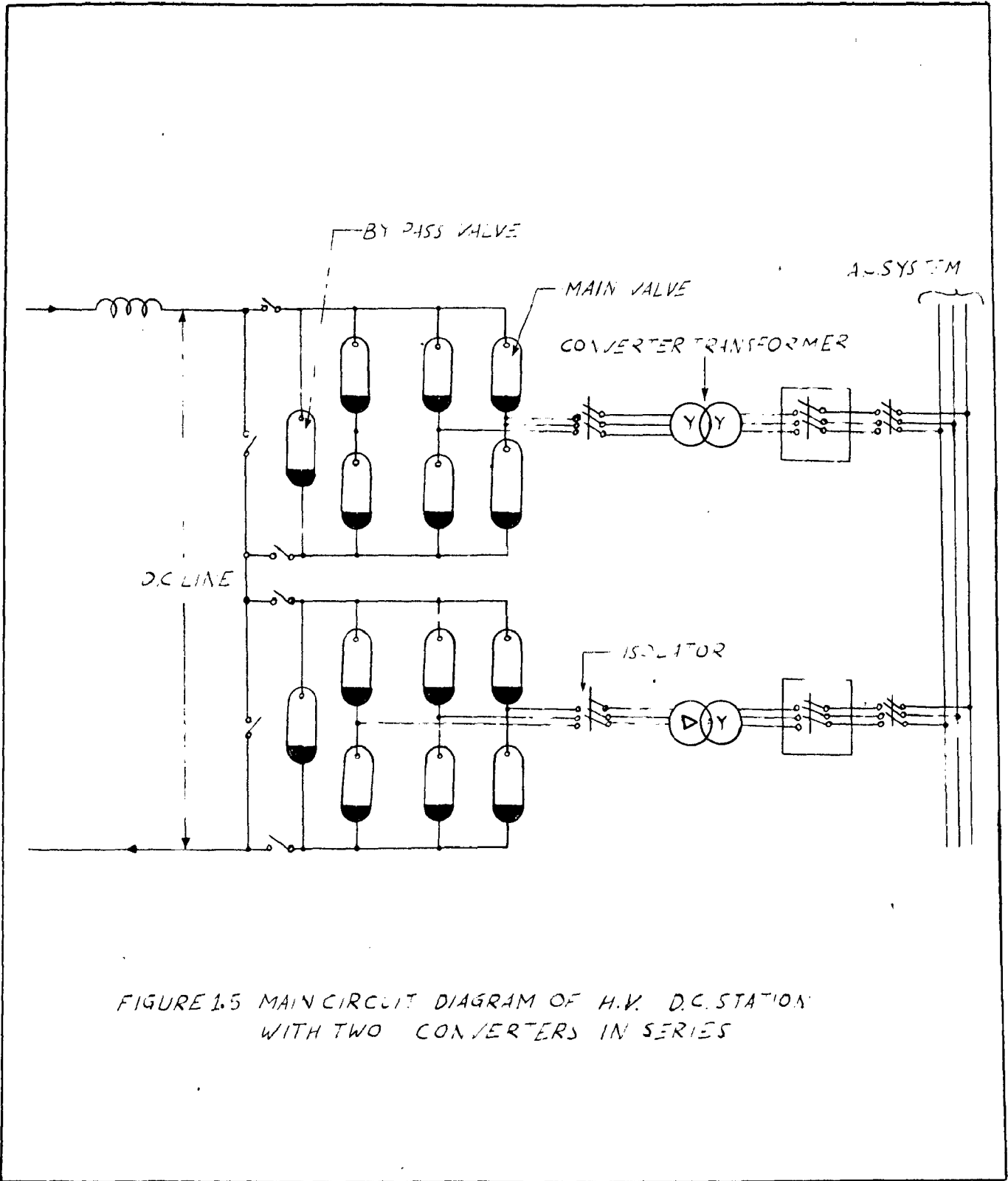


FIGURE 1.5 MAIN CIRCUIT DIAGRAM OF H.V. D.C. STATION WITH TWO CONVERTERS IN SERIES

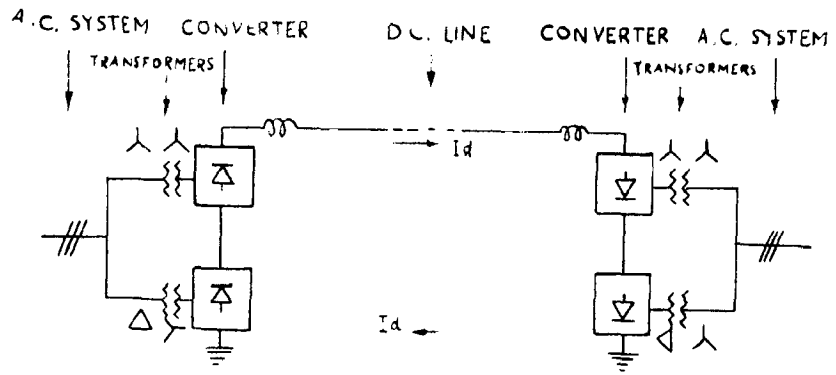


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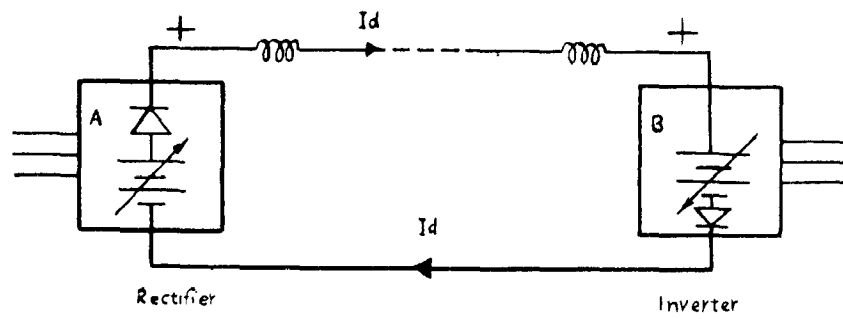


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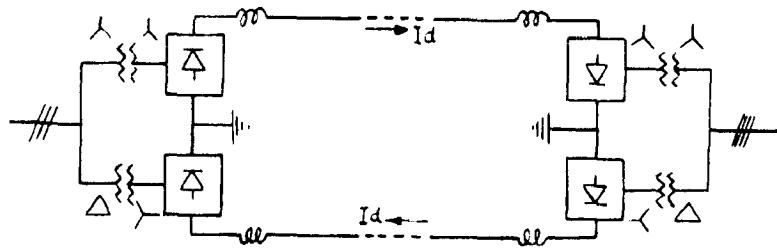


FIGURE 1.6 (c)

TYPES OF H.V.D.C. SYSTEMS

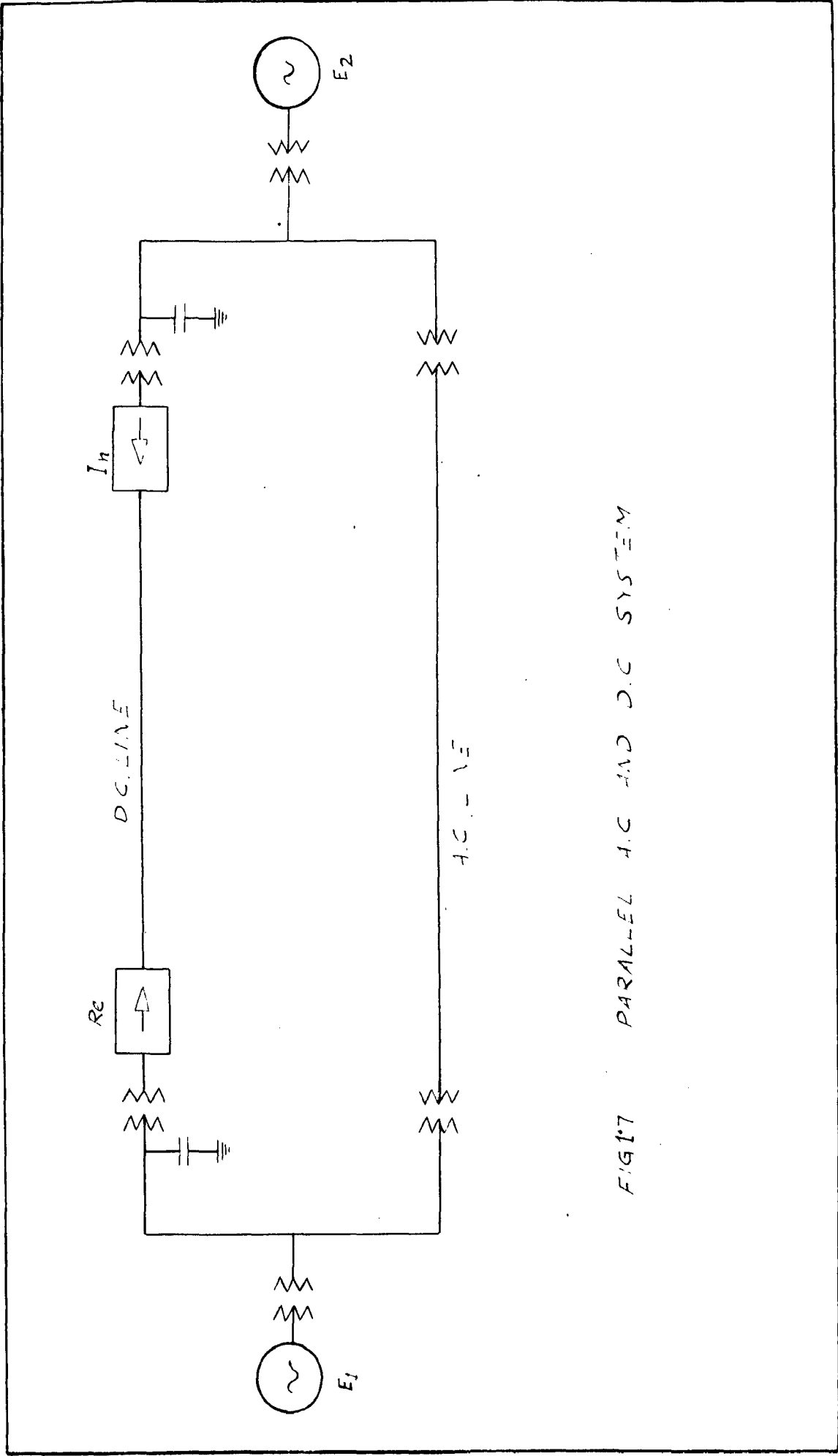


FIG 17 PARALLEL A.C AND D.C SYSTEM

transmitting capacity is divided between the two.

### 1.5. CONTROL OF CONVERTERS: <sup>(2, 8/6)</sup>

Since the output voltage of converters can be varied from positive to negative by means of grid control, the system as a whole can be controlled in a variety of ways to obtain the desired characteristics. Selection of the converter characteristics therefore should be such as to meet the requirement of regulation and protection. The theory of converter operation shows that direct voltage and current are function of  $\alpha$  and  $\gamma_s$  for rectifier and  $\beta$ ,  $\gamma_r$  and  $\delta$  for inverter. By varying these quantities in a suitable way, the converters can be given any desired characteristics over its range of operation.

The converters are generally controlled in two ways, constant current control and constant firing angle control. The trend in a d.c. transmission is that power transmission is controlled by the rectifier end and so rectifiers are generally provided with constant current control. Thus if the current exceeds a particular set value, the delay angle increases thus decreasing output voltage, this prevents the current from rising much above the set values. The inverter operation on the other hand, has to be such that it assures safety of operation. So inverters are provided with a control such that the firing angle is always minimum to keep the reactive power requirement within limits. This angle is kept constant. This type of control is referred as constant firing angle control. Inverters can also be provided with a constant current regulator. When if current drop in a set value, firing angle is increased more than what is necessary for constant firing angle control.



## CHAPTER-2

### ANALYSIS OF D.C. TRANSMISSION

#### 2.1. INTRODUCTION

D.C. link is an asynchronous tie line interconnecting two a.c. systems. The rectifier and inverter have non-linear characteristics therefore d.c. system cannot be completely represented by reactive and resistive networks like a.c. system. It has not yet been possible to obtain analytical expressions for complete system including generation at a.c., transmission at d.c. & utilization at a.c. voltage. However, methods have been suggested to analyse such system separately for sending and receiving ends. In one method, Dr. U.G.Hingorani, suggests that from sending end a.c. side, the rectifier is considered as a load which consumes active and reactive power and from receiving end a.c. side the inverter is considered to be a generator, which has to supply active and reactive power. This is shown in Figure 2.1.

#### 2.2. EQUIVALENT CIRCUITS <sup>(4.5)</sup>

Dr. T.Horigoro has suggested a method to analyse the d.c. system by means of two equivalent circuits - one suitable for sending end and the other for receiving end. These circuits are shown in Fig. 2.2. At sending end the current is lagging voltage. This effect is shown by inductive reactance in Figure 2.2(a). At receiving end, current is leading the voltage and its effect is shown by capacitive reactance in Figure 2.2(b). For a.c.-d.c.-a.c. system analytical expressions can be laid down with the help of the equivalent circuits of Figure 2.2. Following assumptions will however be made :-

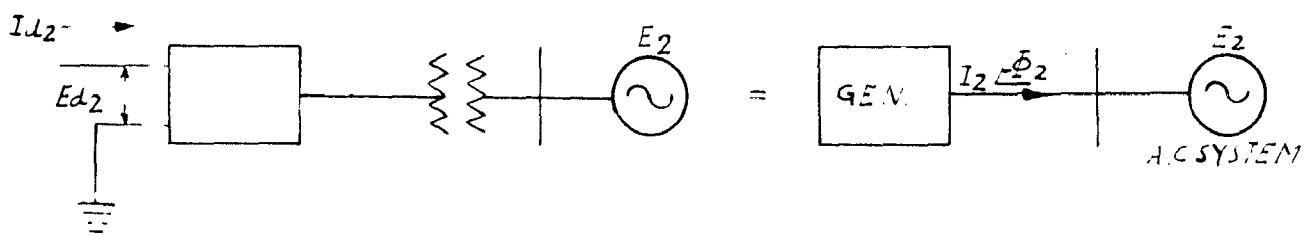
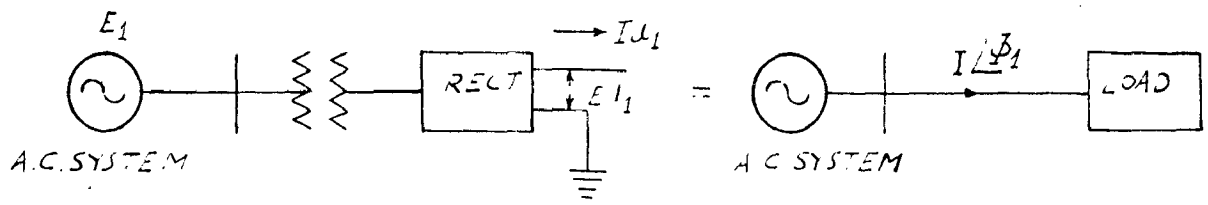
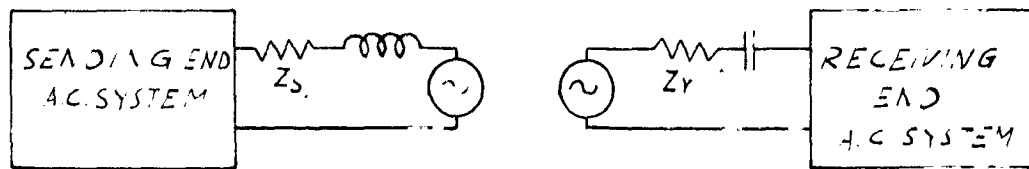


FIGURE 2.1 RECTIFIER AND INVERTER CONSIDERED AS LOAD AND GENERATOR.



(a)

(b)

FIGURE 2.2

- (1) The a.c. voltages at the two ends of transmission line are purely sinusoidal with each phase balanced.
- (2) Direct current contains no ripple.

### 2.3. ANALYTICAL EQUATIONS

The hypothetical system is shown in Fig. 2.3.

In fig. 2.4. is shown the equivalent circuit for the link between the a.c. system at the sending end and the d.c. circuit in accordance with the theory given by Dr. Horigone.

Direct voltage and current are given by the following equations<sup>(1,2,6,7,8)</sup>

$$E_{d1} = K_1 V_1 \cos \alpha \quad \dots\dots 2.1.$$

$$E_{d2} = K_2 V_2 \cos \beta \quad \dots\dots 2.2.$$

$$I_{d1} = \frac{V_1}{\sqrt{2} \omega L_1} [\cos \alpha - \cos(\alpha + \gamma)]$$

$$I_{d2} = \frac{V_2}{\sqrt{2} \omega L_2} [\cos \delta - \cos \beta]$$

If  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  are a.c. voltages at the converter and inverter transformers respectively, then in the a.c. equivalent circuit the voltage for sending end the voltage at the far end

becomes  $\frac{V_2}{\lambda}$

where  $\lambda$  is a factor defined by

$$\lambda = \frac{K_1 \cos \alpha}{K_2 \cos \beta} \quad \dots\dots 2.3.$$

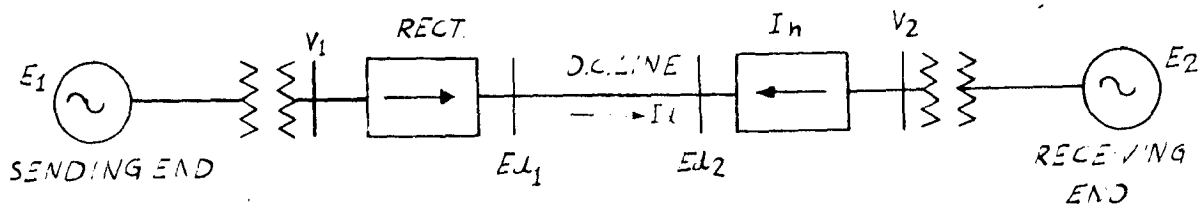


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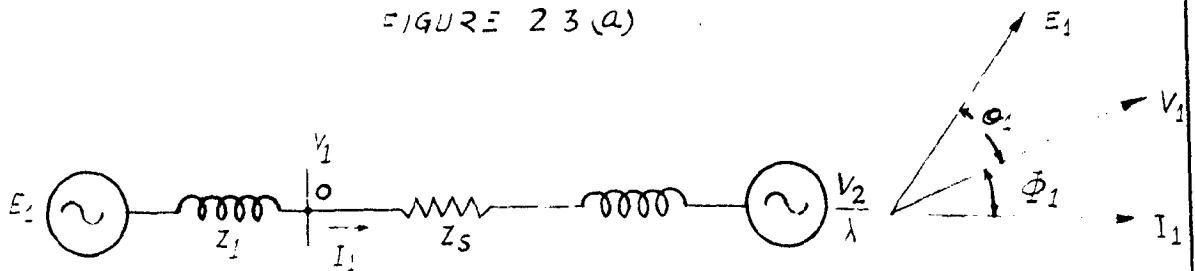


FIGURE 2.3 (b). EQUIVALENT CIRCUIT FOR THE LINK BETWEEN SENDING END A.C. SYSTEM AND D.C. CIRCUIT.

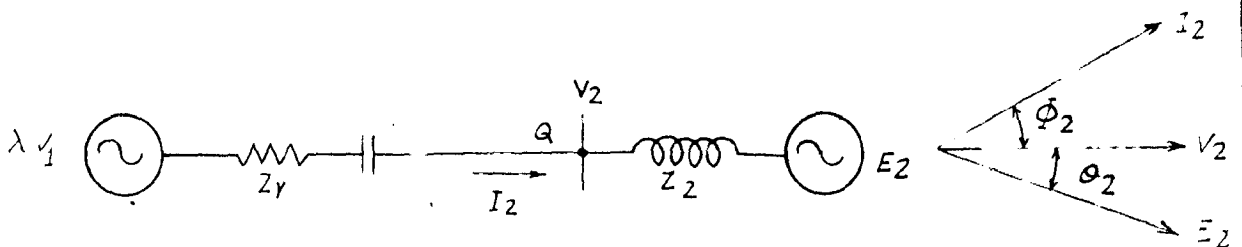


FIGURE 2.3 (c) EQUIVALENT CIRCUIT FOR THE LINK BETWEEN THE D.C. CIRCUIT AND THE RECEIVING END A.C. SYSTEM.

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Let  $I_d$  be the current through d.c. line, and  $R$  the line resistance, then total d.c. drop

$$\text{D.C. drop} = \left[ \frac{3}{\pi} (X_B + X_T) + R \right] I_d \quad \dots 2.4.$$

from equation 2.1. it follows that

$$(\text{D.C. Voltage}) = K_1 (\text{A.C. Voltage}) \cos \alpha \quad \dots 2.5.$$

$$\text{A.C. Voltage} = \frac{\text{D.C. Voltage}}{K_1 \cos \alpha}$$

$$\text{and } \frac{I_{a.c.}}{I_{d.c.}} = K_4$$

The equivalent a.c. impedance is given by

$$\begin{aligned} Z_{a.c.} (\text{equivalent}) &= \frac{\text{A.C. Drop (equivalent)}}{\text{A.C. Current (equivalent)}} \quad \dots 2.7. \\ &= Z_0 \end{aligned}$$

in equation (2.7.) substituting from 2.4. & 2.6.

$$\begin{aligned} Z_0 &= \frac{\left[ \frac{3}{\pi} (X_B + X_T) + R \right] I_d / K_1 \cos \alpha}{K_4 I_d} \\ &= \frac{\frac{3}{\pi} (X_B + X_T) + R}{K_1 K_4 \cos \alpha} \quad \dots 2.8. \end{aligned}$$

Since at sending end I lag E by  $\theta_1$

$$\therefore Z_0 = \frac{\frac{3}{\pi} (X_B + X_T) + R}{K_1 K_4 \cos \alpha} e^{+j \theta_1} \quad \dots 2.9.$$

Ratio of currents on a.c. and d.c. <sup>side</sup> / is given by

$$\frac{I_{a.c.}}{I_{d.c.}} = K_4 = \frac{\sqrt{6}}{\pi} \frac{\sqrt{[\cos 2\alpha - \cos 2(\alpha + \gamma_s)]^2 + [2\gamma_s + \sin 2\alpha - \sin 2(\alpha + \gamma_s)]^2}}{4[\cos \alpha - \cos(\alpha + \gamma_s)]}$$

... 2.10

The quantity within square root is approximately equal to 1 under normal operation, so

$$\frac{I_{a.c.}}{I_{d.c.}} \approx K_3 = \frac{\sqrt{6}}{\pi} \quad \dots 2.10(c)$$

Considering now the condenser system as shown in Figure 2.9.(b),  $Z_1$  is the impedance of the branch shown in Fig.

writing current equations at node 0,

$$E_1 Y_1 + Y_0 \frac{V_2}{\lambda} = I_1 \quad \dots 2.11.$$

where  $I_1 = K \cdot I_d$  ( $I_{a.c.} = K \cdot I_{d.c.}$ ).

$$Z_1 = |Z_1| \angle \varphi_1$$

$$Z_0 = |Z_0| \angle \theta_1$$

$$Y_1 = \frac{1}{Z_1} = |Y_1| \angle -\varphi_1$$

$$Y_0 = \frac{1}{Z_0} = |Y_0| \angle -\theta_1$$

Taking  $I_1$  as reference, the vector relationship is shown in vector diagram

$$V_1 = |V_1| \angle \theta_1$$

$$E_1 = |E_1| \angle \theta_1 + \theta_1$$

Substituting in eqn. 2.11, we get

$$E_1 Y_1 \angle \theta_1 + \theta_1 - \varphi_1 + \frac{V_2}{\lambda} Y_0 \angle \theta_1 = K \cdot I_d \quad \dots 2.12.$$

In equation (2.12) right hand side has only real part so, separating real and imaginary parts and equating the imaginary part

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to zero, we get two equations.

$$E_1 Y_1 \cos(\beta_1 + \theta_1 - \phi_1) + \frac{V_2 Y_2 \cos \beta_1}{\lambda} = K I_d \quad \dots(2.13)$$

$$E_1 Y_1 \sin(\beta_1 + \theta_1 - \phi_1) + \frac{V_2 Y_2 \sin \beta_1}{\lambda} = 0 \quad \dots(2.14)$$

Angle  $\beta_1$  is defined as

$$\cos \beta_1 = \hat{\delta} [\cos \alpha + \cos(\alpha + \gamma_s)] \quad \dots(2.15)$$

For receiving end, equivalent circuit is shown in Figure 2.3(c).

Analysis of the receiving end can be carried out in the similar way.

On the basis of eqn. 2.9, we can write

$$E_x = \frac{\frac{2(X_s + X_r) + R}{\pi} e^{-j\theta_2}}{K_2 K_3 \cos \beta} \quad \dots(2.16)$$

The ratio of current on a.c. and d.c. side of inverter

can be expressed as  $\frac{I_2}{I_d} = K_3$

$$K_3 = \frac{\sqrt{6}}{\pi} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{[\cos 2\beta - \cos 2(\beta - \gamma_r)]^2 + [2\gamma_r + \sin 2(\beta - \gamma_r) - \sin 2\beta]^2}}{4 [\cos(\beta - \gamma_r) - \cos \beta]} \quad \dots(2.17)$$

Under normal operating conditions quantity within square root becomes = 1

therefore  $\frac{I_2}{I_d} = K_3 = \frac{\sqrt{6}}{\pi}$  ..(2.17a)

Writing current equations at node Q.

$$I_2 + \lambda V_1 Y_r = \frac{E_2 Y_2}{2}$$

$$E_2 Y_2 - Y_r V_1 \lambda = I_2 = K I_d \quad \dots(2.18)$$

Where  $I_2 = K \cdot Id$

Taking  $I_2$  as reference, vector relations are shown in figure 2.3.(c).

$$\dot{Y}_2 = |Y_2| \angle -\varphi_2$$

$$\dot{Y}_r = |Y_r| \angle \phi_2$$

$$\dot{V}_2 = |V_2| \angle -\phi_2$$

$$\dot{E}_2 = |E_2| \angle -\phi_2 - \theta_2$$

Equation 2.18 becomes

$$E_2 \dot{Y}_2 \angle -\phi_2 - \theta_2 - \varphi_2 - Y_r V_1 \angle -\phi_2 = K Id \quad \dots 2.19$$

equation 2.19 can be resolved into real and imaginary parts as.

$$E_2 \dot{Y}_2 \cos(\phi_2 + \theta_2 + \varphi_2) - Y_r V_1 \angle \cos \phi_2 = K Id \dots 2.20$$

$$Y_r V_1 \angle \sin \phi_2 - E_2 \dot{Y}_2 \sin(\phi_2 + \theta_2 + \varphi_2) = K Id \quad \dots 2.21$$

The relation between angle  $\phi_2$ , angle of overlap and current of inverter is

$$\cos \phi_2 = \hat{v} \left[ \cos \beta + \cos(\beta - \gamma_r) \right] \quad \dots 2.22$$

Voltage  $Ed_1$  at the sending end of d.c. transmission line is<sup>(1)</sup>

$$Ed_1 = K_1 V_1 \cos \alpha - \frac{2}{\pi} X_0 Id \quad \dots 2.23$$

Voltage  $Ed_2$  at the receiving end of transmission line is<sup>(1)</sup>

$$Ed_2 = K_2 V_2 \cos \beta + \frac{3}{\pi} K_r Id \quad \dots 2.24$$



Subtracting Eqn. 2.24 from 2.23, we get the voltage drop on the d.c. transmission line.

$$E_{d1} - E_{d2} = K_1 V_1 \cos \alpha - K_2 V_2 \cos \beta = \frac{3}{\pi} I_d (X_0 + X_r)$$

$$\text{But } I_{d1} - I_{d2} = R I_d \quad \dots 2.25.$$

Therefore the equation coupling both equivalent circuits is obtained as

$$K_1 V_1 \cos \alpha - K_2 V_2 \cos \beta = \left[ \frac{3}{\pi} (X_0 + X_r) + R \right] I_d \quad \dots 2.26$$

## 2.A. ANALYSIS OF PARALLEL A.C. D.C. SYSTEM <sup>4.5"</sup>

### 2.A.1. SEND END ANALYSIS

On the basis of the equivalent circuit theory, as explained earlier, parallel A.C. and D.C. system of figure 1.7 can be simplified as Figure 2.4(a) for sending end and 2.4(b) for receiving end.

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \text{Let } Y_1 &= \frac{1}{Z_1} \angle -\phi_1 \\ Y_{2s} &= \frac{1}{Z_{2s}} \angle -\phi_2 \\ Y_0 &= \frac{1}{Z_0} \angle \phi_1 \end{aligned} \right\}$$

As represented in Fig. 2.4(a).

Taking  $I_{d0}$  as reference vector

Where  $I_{d0} = (K \cdot I_{d.c.}) = \text{A.C. equivalent current in d.c. line}$   
 $K = \text{constant}$

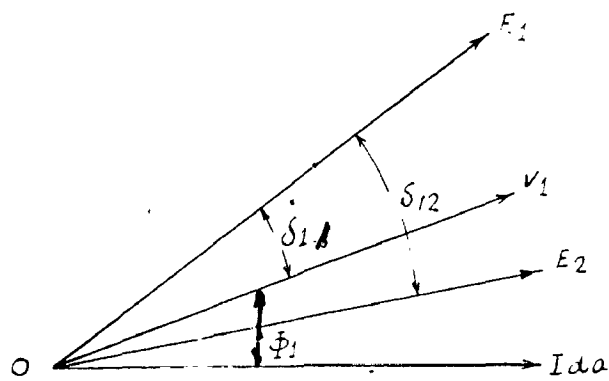
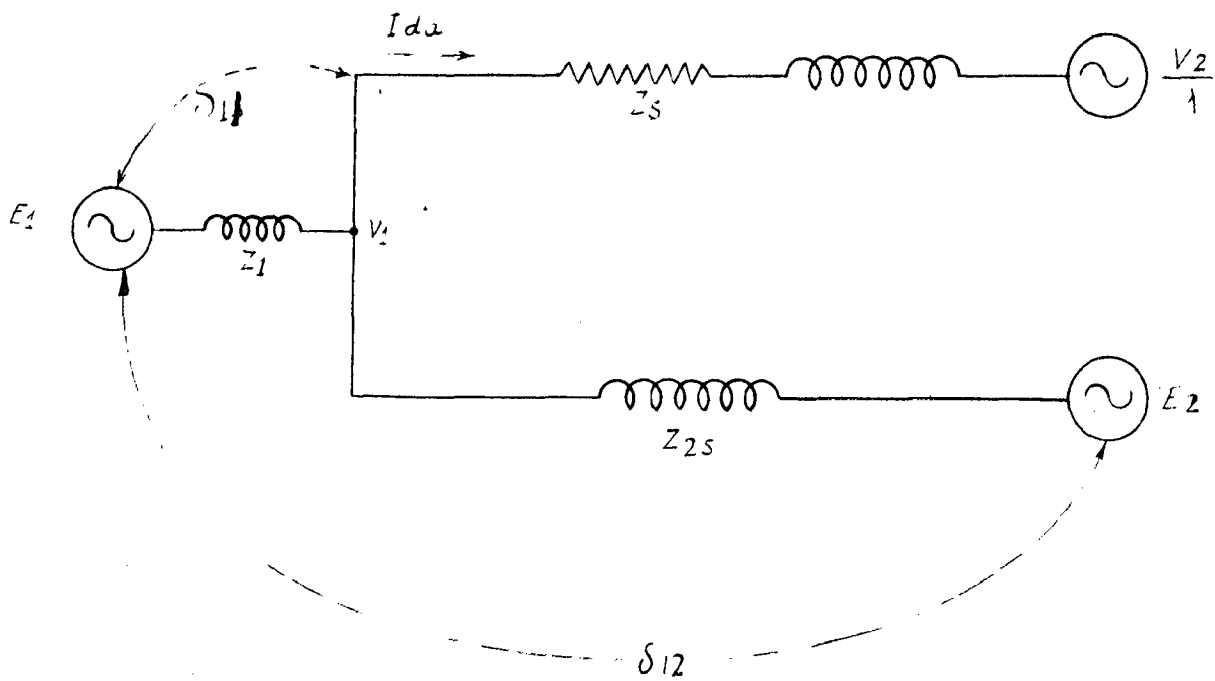
$$V_1 = |V_1| \angle \phi_1$$

$$E_1 = |E_1| \angle \phi_1 + \delta_1$$

$$E_2 = |E_2| \angle \phi_1 + \delta_2 - \delta_{12}$$

Now writing the current equations at node  $V_1$

$$E_1 Y_1 - Y_0 \frac{V_2}{\lambda} - E_2 Y_{2s} = K I_d \quad \dots 2.27.$$



EQ. VALENT CIRCUIT AND VECTOR DIAGRAM OF FIGURE 17 FOR SEND NG END ANALYSIS.

FIGURE 2-4(a)

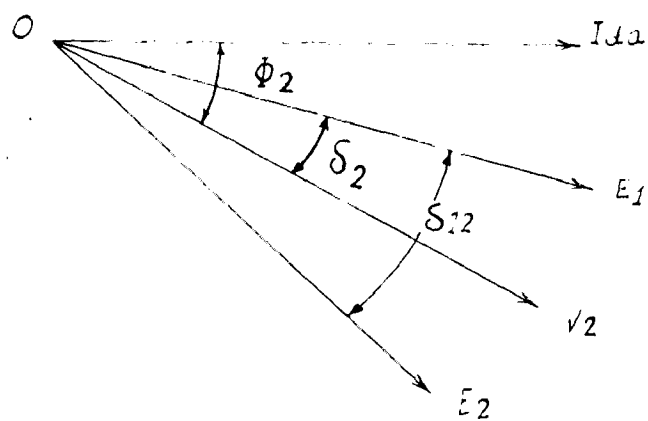
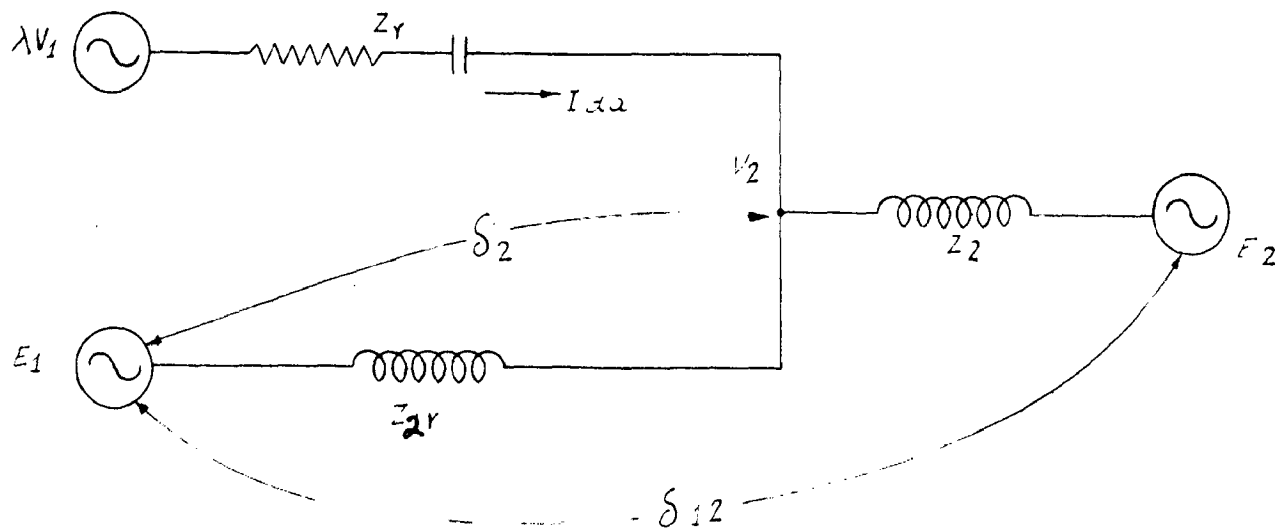


FIGURE 2.4 (b)  
EQUIVALENT CIRCUIT AND VECTOR DIAGRAM OF  
FIGURE FOR RECEIVING END ANALYSIS.

$$E_1 Y_1 \angle \phi_1 + \delta_1 - \varphi_1 - E_2 Y_2 \angle \phi_1 + \delta_1 - \delta_{12} - \varphi_2 - Y_0 \frac{V_2}{\lambda} \angle \phi_1 = K I_d \dots 2.28.$$

Comparing real and imaginary parts of equation 2.28 and since direct current has only real value, equating imaginary part to zero, we get:

$$E_1 Y_1 \cos(\phi_1 + \delta_1 - \varphi_1) - E_2 Y_2 \cos(\phi_1 + \delta_1 - \varphi_2) - Y_0 \frac{V_2}{\lambda} \cos \phi_1 = K I_d \dots (2.29)$$

$$E_1 Y_1 \sin(\phi_1 + \delta_1 - \varphi_1) - E_2 Y_2 \sin(\phi_1 + \delta_1 - \delta_{12} - \varphi_2) - Y_0 \frac{V_2}{\lambda} \sin \phi_1 = 0 \dots (2.30)$$

Neglecting resistance  $\varphi_1 = \varphi_2 = 90^\circ$  To get

$$E_1 Y_1 \cos(90 - \phi_1 - \delta_1) - E_2 Y_2 \cos(90 - \phi_1 - \delta_1 + \delta_{12}) - Y_0 \frac{V_2}{\lambda} \cos \phi_1 = K I_d$$

$$E_2 Y_2 \sin(\delta_{12} - \phi_1 + \delta_1) + E_1 Y_1 \sin(\phi_1 + \delta_1) - Y_0 \frac{V_2}{\lambda} \cos \phi_1 = K I_d \dots (2.31)$$

and

$$-E_1 Y_1 \sin(90 - \phi_1 - \delta_1) + E_2 Y_2 \sin(90 - \delta_{12} - \delta_1 - \phi_1) - Y_0 \frac{V_2}{\lambda} \sin \phi_1 = 0.$$

$$E_2 Y_2 \cos(\delta_{12} - \phi_1 - \delta_1) + E_1 Y_1 \cos(\phi_1 + \delta_1) - Y_0 \frac{V_2}{\lambda} \sin \phi_1 = 0 \dots (2.32)$$

Relation between displacement factor ( $\phi_1$ ) and angle of overlap remains same as expressed by equation 2.15

### 2.4.2. ANALYSIS FOR THE AVERAGE

Considering the equivalent circuits of Figure 2.4(b).

Taking  $I_d (=K I_d)$  as reference the vector relations are shown in Figure

$$\text{Let } Z_{2r} = |Z_{2r}| \angle \varphi_1$$

$$Z_2 = |Z_2| \angle \varphi_2$$

$$Z_r = |Z_r| \angle -\phi_r$$

$$Y_{2r} = |Y_{2r}| \angle -\varphi_1$$

$$Y_2 = |Y_2| \angle -\varphi_2$$

$$Y_r = |Y_r| \angle \phi_r$$

As represented in Figure.

$$\lambda = \frac{K_1 \cos \alpha}{K_2 \cos \beta}$$

$$V_2 = |V_2| \angle -\phi_r$$

$$E_1 = |E_1| \angle -\phi_r + \delta_2$$

$$E_2 = |E_2| \angle -\phi_r + \delta_2 - \delta_{12}$$

Writing current equation at the node

$$\lambda E_1 Y_r + KIa + E_1 Y_{2r} = E_2 Y_2 \quad \dots(2.33)$$

$$KIa = E_2 Y_2 - E_1 Y_{2r} - \lambda E_1 Y_r$$

$$KIa = E_2 Y_2 \angle \delta_2 - \phi_r - \delta_{12} - \phi_2 - E_1 Y_{2r} \angle -\delta_2 - \phi_r - \phi_1 - \lambda E_1 Y_r \angle -\phi_r \quad (2.34)$$

Direct current has no imaginary part, therefore the imaginary part of eqn. 2.34 is equated to zero.

$$KIa = E_2 Y_2 \cos(\delta_2 - \phi_r - \delta_{12} - \phi_2) - E_1 Y_{2r} \cos(\delta_2 - \phi_r - \phi_1) - \lambda E_1 Y_r \cos \phi_r \quad (2.35)$$

Neglecting reactance of transmission line

$$\phi_1 = \phi_2 = 90^\circ$$

Substituting in eqn. 2.35

$$KIa = E_2 Y_2 \cos(90 + \delta_{12} - \phi_r - \delta_2) - E_1 Y_{2r} \cos(90 + \phi_r - \delta_2) - \lambda E_1 Y_r \cos \phi_r$$

$$KIa = E_1 Y_1 \sin(\phi_r - \delta_2) - E_2 Y_2 \sin(\delta_{12} + \phi_r - \delta_2) - \lambda E_1 Y_r \cos \phi_r \quad (2.36)$$

Equating imaginary part of equation 2.34 to zero.

$$0 = -E_2 Y_2 \sin(90 + \delta_{12} - \phi_r - \delta_2) + E_1 Y_{2r} \sin(90 + \phi_r - \delta_2) + \lambda E_1 Y_r \sin \phi_r$$

$$0 = -E_2 Y_2 \cos(\delta_{12} + \phi_r - \delta_2) + E_1 Y_1 \cos(\phi_r - \delta_2) + \lambda E_1 Y_1 \sin \phi_r \quad (2.37)$$

The expressions for  $\phi_2$ , current, firing angle and  $\delta$  remain same as expressed by equations 2.3, 2.17 and 2.22.

On the basis of equations given in this chapter, it is possible to analyze a combined system.

CHAPTER - 3

## CHAPTER-3

### REACTIVE POWER REQUIREMENTS

#### 3.1. NEED OF REACTIVE POWER

Converter can be arranged to supply the power in either direction by controlling grid action.<sup>(9)</sup> A converter may be operated as rectifier or as inverter. Irrespective of the direction of power flow, the d.c. side of the converter can supply only active power, it cannot supply reactive power. In other words converter is a machine which consumes the reactive power and therefore the stable operation is impossible without the supply thereof.<sup>(6,7,8)</sup>

When a converter is operating as a rectifier, it is considered as a load which has inductance due to leakage reactance of transformer and also due to the delay associated with grid control, which is required to control the output voltage. Therefore, the rectifier operates at a lagging power factor, and requires reactive power supply. This reactive power is supplied in this case, together with active power, by the a.c. system itself.

In case of inverter, where power flow is from d.c. line to a.c. system, it is treated as a generator which can supply only active power, on the other hand, it needs some reactive power to meet the reactive power requirements of inverter transformer reactance and advance firing angle. Thus an inverter can be treated as operating at a leading power factor. In this case the a.c. system accepts the active power from inverter but it must itself supply the reactive power, or some other means should be provided so that inverter reactive power demand is met.

### 3.2. GENERAL EXPRESSIONS FOR THE ACTIVE POWER<sup>9</sup>

The ratio of alternating to direct current<sup>5</sup> as given in

Chapter 2 is

$$\frac{I}{I_d} = \frac{\sqrt{6}}{\pi} \frac{\sqrt{[\cos 2\beta - \cos 2(\beta - \gamma_r)]^2 + [2\gamma_r + \sin 2(\beta - \gamma_r) - \sin 2\beta]^2}}{4[\cos(\beta - \gamma_r) - \cos \beta]} \quad \dots 3.1$$

which can be approximated as

$$I = \frac{\sqrt{6}}{\pi} I_d \quad \dots (3.2)$$

$I$  = Alternating Current from inverter

Direct output voltage developed by the inverter is

$$V_d = V_o \left[ \frac{\cos \beta + \cos \delta}{2} \right] \quad \dots (3.3)$$

Equating a.c. and d.c. powers

where  $V_o = \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{\pi} V$  = no load direct voltage.

$$\frac{3\sqrt{2}}{\pi} V \left[ \frac{\cos \beta + \cos \delta}{2} \right] I_d = \sqrt{3} LI \cos \phi \quad \dots (3.4)$$

$$= \sqrt{3} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{6}}{\pi} I_d \cos \phi$$

$$\text{Thus } \cos \phi = \left[ \frac{\cos \beta + \cos \delta}{2} \right] \quad \dots (3.5)$$

Active component of the alternating current is given by

$$I(\alpha) = I \left[ \frac{\cos \beta + \cos \delta}{2} \right] \quad \dots (3.6)$$

A.C. Apparent power is given by

$$P = \sqrt{3} LI = V_o I_d \quad \dots (3.7)$$

and active power (which is d.c. power also)

$$P(\alpha) = V_o I_d \left[ \frac{\cos \beta + \cos \delta}{2} \right] \quad \dots (3.8)$$

reactive power can now be found from<sup>(9)</sup>

$$P(r) = \sqrt{P^2 - P(\alpha)^2} \quad \dots (3.9)$$

$$\text{or } I(r) = V_o I_d \sin \phi \quad \dots (3.10)$$



where

$$\sin \phi = \sin \left\{ \cos^{-1} \left[ \frac{\cos \beta + \cos \delta}{2} \right] \right\} \dots (3.11)$$

Direct current of inverter <sup>(1,2)</sup> is

$$I_d = \frac{E}{\sqrt{2} \omega L} \left[ \cos \delta - \cos \beta \right] \dots (3.13)$$

Substituting the value of  $I_d$  from 3.13 in 3.10, we get

$$P_r = \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{\pi} E \frac{I_d}{\sqrt{2} \omega L} \left[ \cos \delta - \cos \beta \right] \sin \phi \quad (3.14)$$

$$= \frac{3 E^2}{\pi \omega L} \left[ \cos \delta - \cos \beta \right] \cdot \sin \left[ \cos^{-1} \frac{\cos \delta + \cos \beta}{2} \right] \quad (3.15)$$

Expression 3.15 is important because it relates the reactive power with other operating parameters of the system.

Now using equation 3.14, we have

$$\cos \phi = \frac{\cos \delta + \cos \beta}{2}$$

$$\text{or } \cos (\beta) = 2 \cos \phi - \cos \delta \quad (3.16)$$

Substituting 3.16 in (3.14) we get

$$P_r = \frac{3 E^2}{\pi \omega L} X_2 \left[ \cos \delta - \cos \phi \right] \sin \phi \quad (3.17)$$

Equation 3.17 gives a simplified expression for reactive power.

### 3.3. REACTIVE POWER AND VARIATION WITH LOAD

Now let us consider the variation of reactive power with different types of load.

Let load power be  $(P + jQ)$ , under following assumptions

$V_L$  = Load voltage (constant)

$\phi$  = Power factor at inverter end.

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- $\phi_L$  = Load power factor  
 $R$  = Transformer resistance (neglected),  
 $X$  = Transformer reactance

Let the load be situated at the secondary of the inverter transformer such that the reactance and resistance of transmission line may be neglected.

Vector diagram for this condition is shown in figure 3.1. From vector diagram, the power factor angle at the inverter end is given by

$$\tan \phi = \frac{I_L \sin \phi_L + I.X}{I_L \cos \phi_L + I.R} \quad \dots(3.18)$$

neglecting resistance of transformer,  $R = 0$

and assuming transformer leakage reactance has a finite value

$$\tan \phi = \frac{I_L \sin \phi_L + IX}{I_L \cos \phi_L} \quad \dots(3.19)$$

$$\text{Load power} = P + jQ$$

where:

$P$  = Active component of power

$Q$  = Reactive component of power ... (3.20)

$$\therefore \phi_L = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{Q}{P} \right)$$

### Case 1

(a) Resistive Load i.e.  $Q = 0$

Substituting  $\sin \phi_L = 0$

$$\cos \phi_L = 1$$

Equation 3.19 becomes

$$\tan \phi = \frac{I.X}{I_L} \quad \dots(3.21)$$

and  $Z = I_L + j I.X. \quad \dots(3.22)$

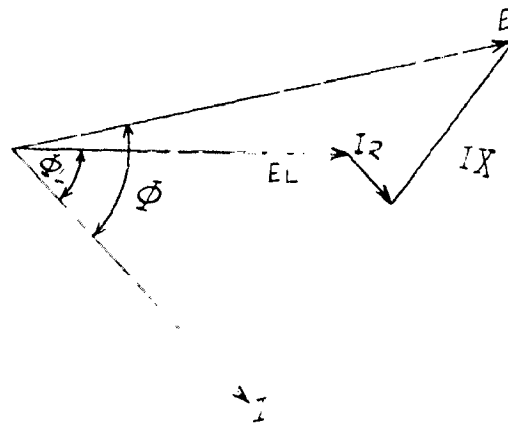
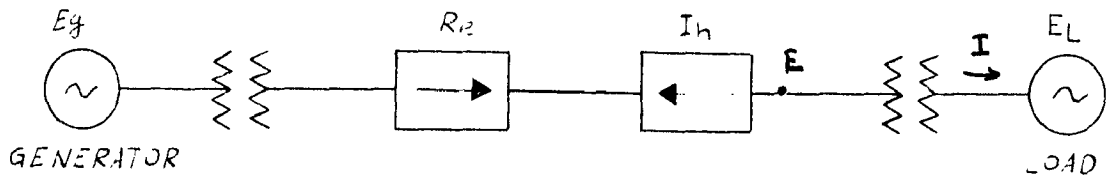


FIGURE 3.1

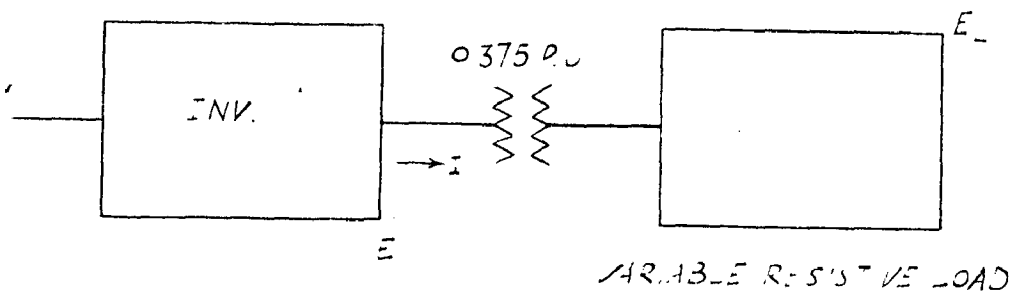


FIGURE 3.2

The reactance  $X$  of the transformer remains constant so long as supply frequency is constant. This is true for all practical purposes. Quantity  $\frac{I_L X}{E_L}$  represents percentage reactance of the transformer, therefore, the inverter displacement angle  $\phi$  and hence overlap angle, is related to the percentage reactance of the transformer.

### EXAMPLE:

For the system shown in Fig. 3.2 we will calculate the reactive power requirements for a resistive load

Case 1,  $\theta = 0$ , i.e. load reactive power = 0

Let  $E_L = 1.0$  p.u.

$X = 0.375$  p.u. per phase

$= 10^\circ$

$E = E_L + jI_L X$  ....from Eqn. 3.22

$$\tan \phi = \frac{E_L \sin \theta_L + I_L X}{E_L \cos \theta_L} = \frac{I_L X}{E_L} \quad \dots \text{from eqn. (3.19)}$$

Using equation (3.17)

$$P_R = \frac{6E^2}{\pi \omega L} (\cos \delta - \cos \phi) \sin \phi \quad \dots (3.17)$$

Substituting the values in (3.17)

$$P_R = 5.1 E^2 (0.985 - \cos \phi) \sin \phi$$

For different values of current  $\gamma$ ,  $\phi$  and  $E$  are calculated from eqn. 3.19 and 3.22 and then  $P_R$  is found corresponding to these values. Calculated results are tabulated in Table 1. The results have been plotted in graph 3.3(a).

### Case 2.

Reactive Load - Now the variation of reactive power with load power factor will be considered .

The power factor at inverter end is given by equation 3.18

$$\tan \phi = \frac{E_L \sin \phi_L + I.X}{E_L \cos \phi_L} \quad \dots\dots 3.18$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \tan \phi_L &= \frac{Q}{P} \\ \therefore \phi_L &= \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{Q}{P} \right) \end{aligned} \right\} \quad \dots\dots 3.20$$

Substituting value of  $\phi_L$  in eqn. 3.18, we get

$$\tan \phi = \frac{E_L \sin \left\{ \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{Q}{P} \right) \right\} + I.X}{E_L \cos \left[ \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{Q}{P} \right) \right]} \quad \dots\dots 3.23$$

The reactive power required is given by eqn. 3.17

$$P_r = \frac{3 \times 2 \times I^2}{\pi \omega L} (\cos \delta - \cos \phi) \sin \phi$$

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Taking the system of fig. 3.2. with same parameters.

In this case we will calculate reactive power for different load power factor and for a particular value of current.

For different ratio of  $\frac{Q}{P}$ ,  $\phi$  is calculated from 3.23.

Substituting these values of  $\phi$  in equation 3.17 reactive power is calculated. In this case reactive power has been calculated for two values of current  $I = 1.0$  p.u. and  $I = 2.0$  p.u.

Calculated results are tabulated in Table 2(a) and 2(b) Fig.... shows the curve showing the variation of reactive power demand of inverter with ratio  $\left( \frac{Q}{P} \right)$  for load.

### 3.A. Graphical

Graphs showing variation of reactive power for different types of load conditions i.e. variable resistive and reactive loads

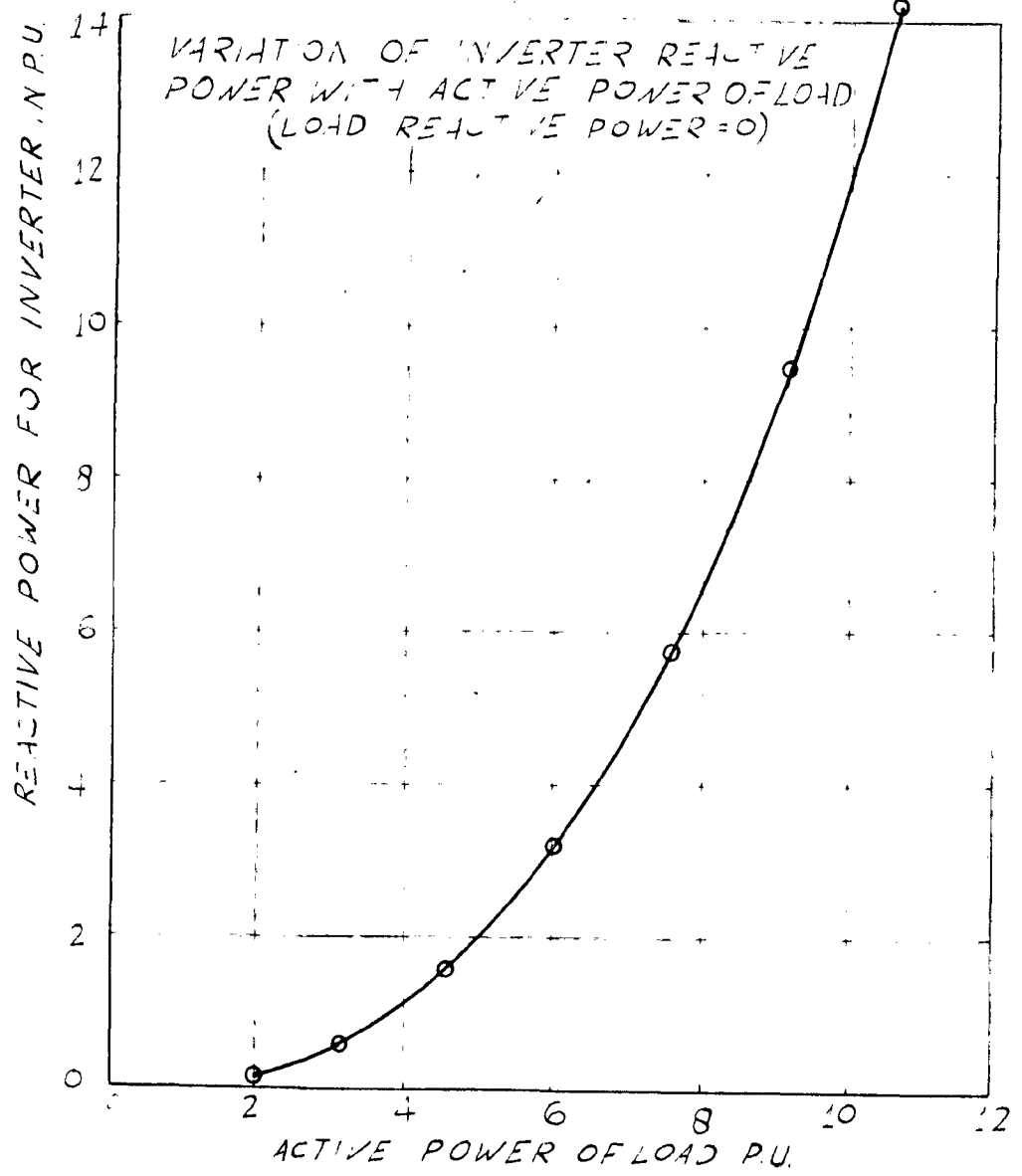


FIGURE 3.3(a)

The power factor at inverter end is given by equation 3.18

$$\tan \phi = \frac{E_L \sin \phi_L + I.X}{E_L \cos \phi_L} \quad \dots\dots 3.18$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \tan \phi_L &= \frac{Q}{P} \\ \therefore \phi_L &= \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{Q}{P} \right) \end{aligned} \right\} \quad \dots\dots 3.20$$

Substituting value of  $\phi_L$  in eqn. 3.18, we get

$$\tan \phi = \frac{E_L \sin \left\{ \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{Q}{P} \right) \right\} + I.X}{E_L \cos \left[ \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{Q}{P} \right) \right]} \quad \dots\dots 3.23$$

The reactive power required is given by eqn. 3.17

$$P_r = \frac{3 \times 2 \times I^2}{\pi \omega L} (\cos \delta - \cos \phi) \sin \phi$$

### EXAMPLE 2.b

Taking the system of fig. 3.2. with same parameters.

In this case we will calculate reactive power for different load power factor and for a particular value of current.

For different ratio of  $\frac{Q}{P}$ ,  $\phi$  is calculated from 3.23.

Substituting these values of  $\phi$  in equation 3.17 reactive power is calculated. In this case reactive power has been calculated for two values of current  $I = 1.0$  p.u. and  $I = 2.0$  p.u.

Calculated results are tabulated in Table 2(a) and 2(b)

Fig.... shows the curve showing the variation of reactive power demand of inverter with ratio  $\left( \frac{Q}{P} \right)$  for load.

### 3.4. Graphical

Graphs showing variation of reactive power for different types of load conditions i.e. variable resistive and reactive loads

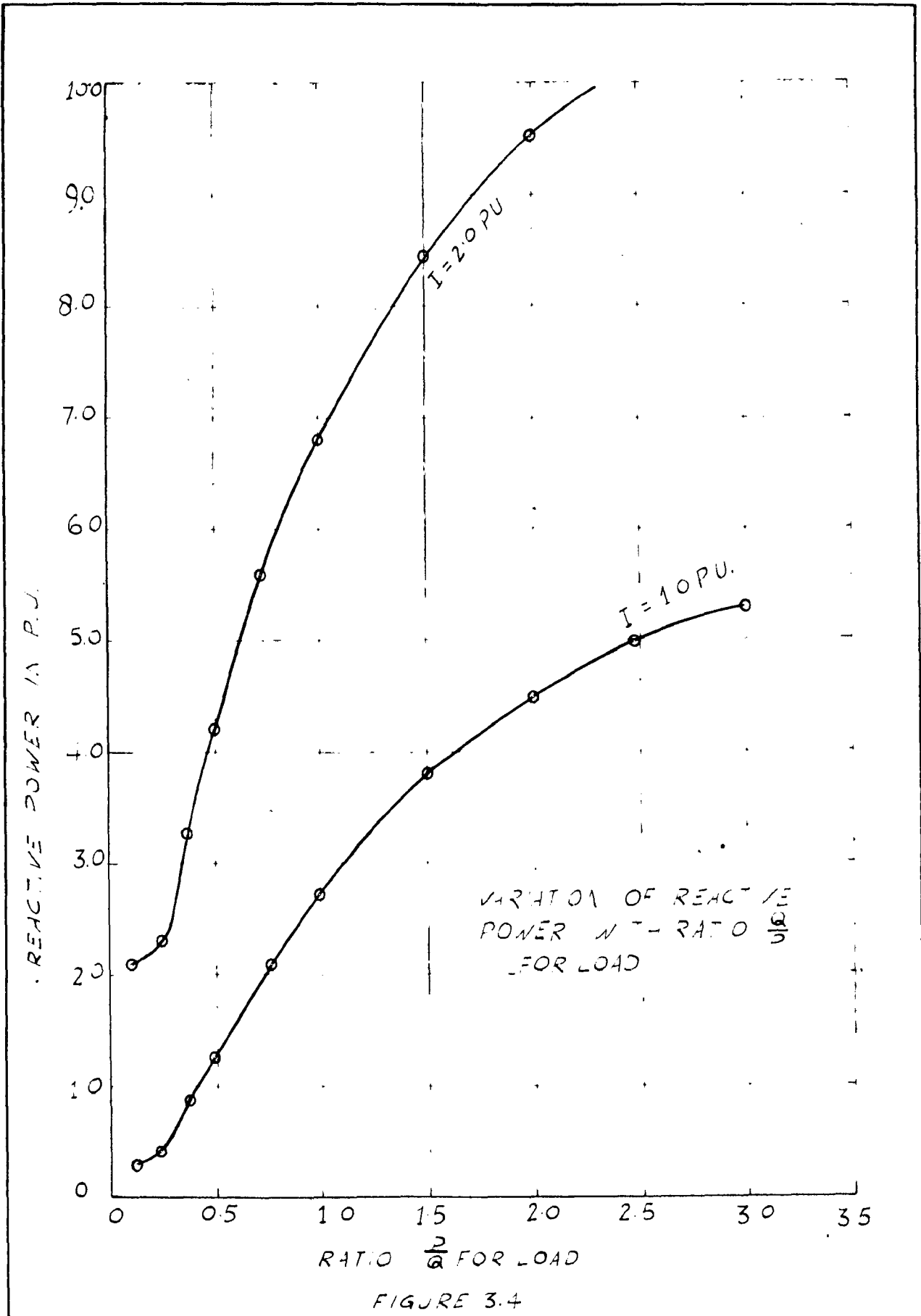


FIGURE 3.4



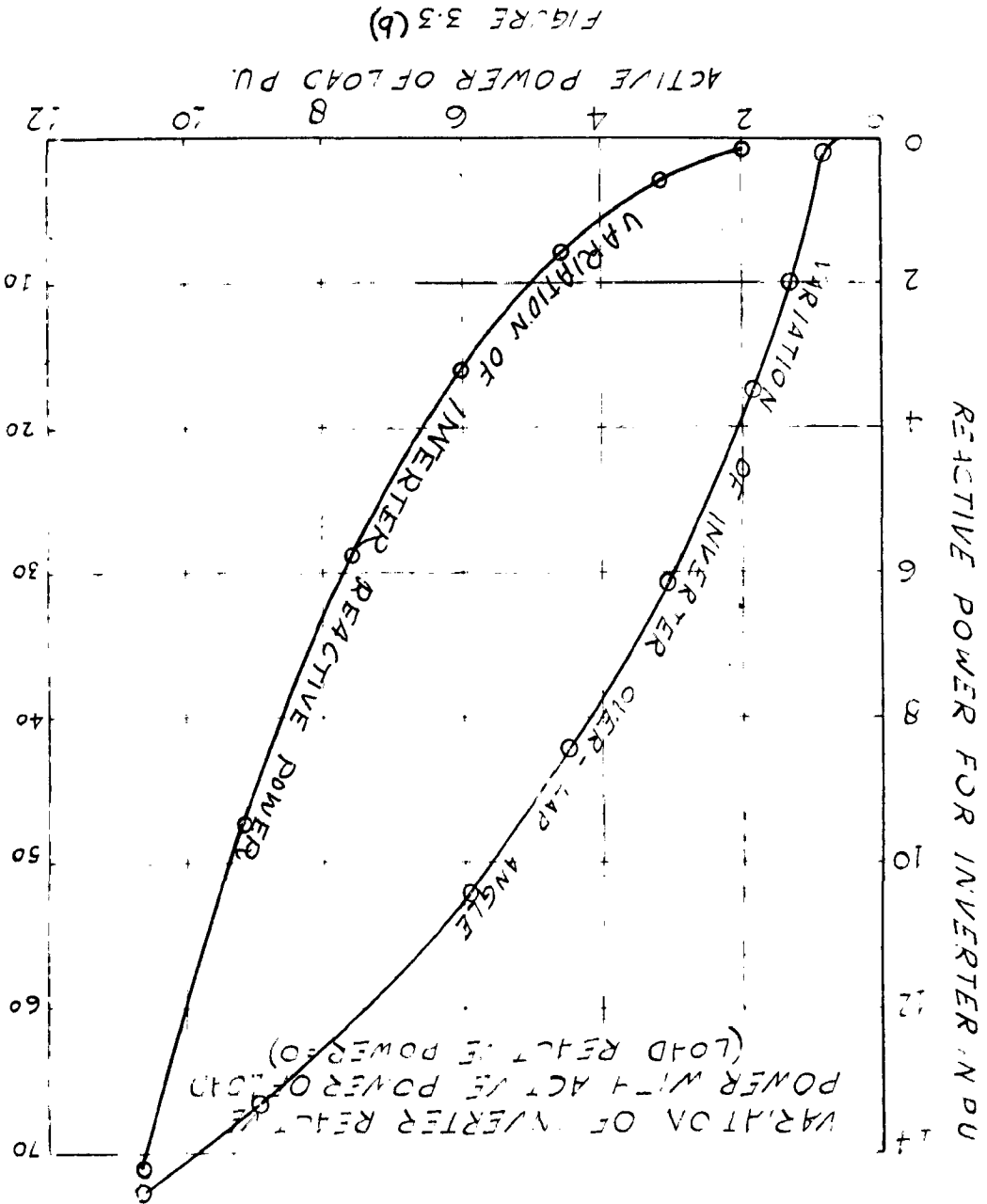


FIGURE 3.3 (b)

lead to the conclusion that inverter needs a considerable amount of reactive power for its operation. Figure 3.3.<sup>(a)</sup> shows the variation of reactive power required for inversion (when load reactive power is zero) as a function of active power delivered by inverter. It is seen that under normal range of operation, in this case upto 5 p.u., load, the reactive power demand is not much, it is only 40% of the active load. As the load increases, reactive power demand also increases, and beyond active load of 90 p.u. the curve becomes more steep and it may not be economical to supply reactive power at such a high rate.

Inverter, however, may not be operated at such a high load and hence we can say that it is not difficult to meet the reactive power demand under normal range of operation.

Further more, it is seen from fig. 3.3.<sup>(a)</sup> that when load is purely reactive, the reactive power required for inversion is not constant, it increases with the active power consumed by the load. This is because of the fact that when increased current is drawn from inverter, its overlap angle increases, which is responsible for this increase in reactive power. (graph 3.3 b)

In figure 3.4. variation of reactive power demand for inverter load power factor is shown. It is seen that a load at poor power factor will require more reactive power because of its reactance will increase the overlap angle of inverter. High power factor reduces the demand for reactive power for inversion and hence resistive loads can be more conveniently supplied by inverter. Graph is plotted for the values of load currents

(See 1.0 p.u. and 2 p.u.) to show that high load current leads to larger consumption of reactive power.

In general, we can conclude that in all cases, the reactive power demand is not high at initial stages. But, it increases rapidly as the load is increased or power factor falls. Therefore, trouble may come in operation if precautionary measures are not taken to meet this reactive power demand.

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TABLE - 1

VARIATION OF REACTIVE POWER AND LOSS FOR INVERTER WITH ACTIVE POWER OF LOAD, ( $\theta_L = 0$ )

I (Load Current) p.u.	0.5	0.75	1.0	1.5	2.0	2.5	3.0	3.5	4
tan $\phi$	.1875	.281	.375	.563	.75	.938	1.125	1.314	1.5
cos $\phi$	.983	.9626	.936	.871	.800	.729	.6678	.606	.5533
(.985-cos $\phi$ )	.002	.023	.049	.114	.185	.256	.317	.379	.432
sin $\phi$	.184	.27	.352	.491	.600	.684	.744	.795	.833
B	1.05	1.11	1.19	1.4	1.64	1.91	2.19	2.48	2.78
$E^2$	1.10	1.233	1.42	1.947	2.68	3.63	4.77	6.156	7.74
P (reactive) p.u.	.0206	.039	.125	.556	1.52	3.24	5.72	9.46	14.20
P (active) p.u.	.892	1.39	1.93	3.16	4.56	6.04	7.6	9.15	10.66

$E = E_L + j I \cdot X$

TABLE - 1 (a)  
 VARIATION OF OVERLAP ANGLE WITH LOAD POWER  
 (Graph 3.3.b)

$\cos \phi = \frac{1}{2} [\cos \delta + \cos(\delta + \alpha)]$ , Using table 1,  $\alpha$  is calculated for various values of loads.

Power p.u.	1.892	1.39	1.93	3.16	4.56	6.04	7.6	9.15	10.66	
Overlap Angle $\alpha$ degrees	1.2°	16°	17.5°	30.8°	42°	52.4°	59.1	66.3°	73°	

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TABLE -2(b)

VARIATION OF REACTIVE POWER DEMAND OF INVERTER WITH RATIO ( $\frac{Q}{P}$ ) FOR  $\phi = 1 - 2.0$  PER UNIT

tan $\phi = \frac{Q}{P}$	.125	.25	.375	.5	.75	1.0	1.5	2.0	2.5	3
tan $\phi$	.88	.92	1.175	1.34	1.69	2.06	2.86	3.68	4.5	5.4
cos $\phi$	.75	.735	.665	.60	.51	.432	.330	.262	.216	.184
.985-cos $\phi$	.235	.250	.320	.385	.475	.553	.655	.723	.769	.801
sin $\phi$	.66	.678	.745	.80	.86	.90	.944	.965	.976	.983
Pr in p.u.	2.12	2.32	3.26	4.2	5.57	6.8	8.45	9.51	10.25	10.72

CHAPTER 4



## CHAPTER-4

### EFFECT OF SYSTEM PARAMETERS ON REACTIVE POWER SOURCES TO MEET REACTIVE POWER DEMAND

#### A.1. INTRODUCTION

Reactive power required by the inverter is given by eqn.

3.15 of Chapter 3

$$P_r = \frac{3I_2^2}{\pi \omega L_2} \left[ \cos \delta - \cos(\delta + \gamma_r) \right] \sin \left[ \cos^{-1} \frac{\cos \delta + \cos(\delta + \gamma_r)}{2} \right]$$

It can be seen that reactive power  $P_r$  depends mainly on the overlap angle  $\gamma_r$  of inverter. This angle is responsible for variation of reactive power demand for inversion. Therefore, it may be desirable to investigate the effect of various system parameter on this angle.

#### A.2. VARIATION OF OVERLAP ANGLE (12.628)

Overlap angle depends primarily on the following factors:

- I) Load current
- II) Voltage at inverter transformer secondary.
- III) Reactance of transformer
- IV) Load power factor,
- V) A.C. System Faults.

I) LOAD CURRENT - Overlap angle is related with direct current in accordance with the following equation

$$I_d = \frac{E_2}{\sqrt{2} \omega L_2} \left[ \cos \delta - \cos(\delta + \gamma_r) \right]$$

It is observed that with increasing current, overlap angle increases, therefore, for high power transmission this angle has to increase. Hence more or more reactive power is required

to maintain stable operation of inverter.

### II) VOLTAGE AT INVERTER AND FORMER SECONDARY:

Following relation stands valid for direct and alternative voltages.

$$E_1 = \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{\pi} E_2 \left[ \frac{\cos \delta + \cos(\delta + \gamma_r)}{2} \right]$$

For constant direct voltage at inverter end, a reduced transformer secondary voltage will have tendency to increase overlap angle. Therefore giving rise to increased consumption of reactive power.

### III) REACTANCE (LEAKAGE) OF TRANSFORMER

The inductance of transformer does not permit the current in a particular phase at the beginning of commutation to reach the full value  $I_d$ . It takes certain time for current to reach upto this value. This is represented by a time lag, and similarly at the end of commutation, the current of this phase does not suddenly drop to zero. The angle associated with this lag (i.e. when the current is increasing to full value and falling to zero), is known as overlap angle and is represented by  $\gamma_r$ . This overlap angle increases with increase in transformer reactance as given by the following equations:-

$$\omega L_2 = \frac{E_2}{\sqrt{2} I_d} \left[ \cos \delta - \cos(\delta + \gamma_r) \right]$$

Graph 4.1. shows the variation of reactive power with percentage leakage reactance of transformer.

VARIATION OF REACTIVE POWER WITH  
TRANSFORMER LEAKAGE REACTANCE.

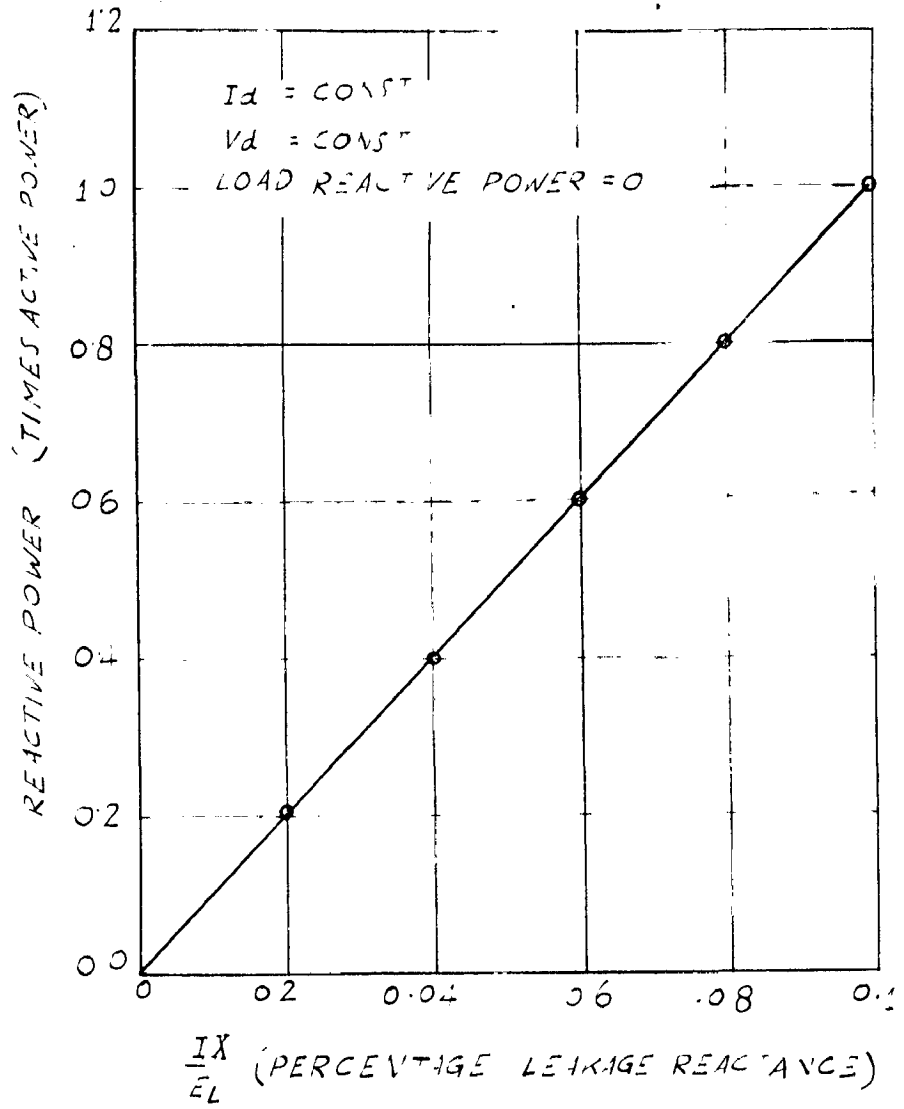


FIGURE 4.1

The transformer is needed not only from voltage transformation, but for isolation purpose also. Thus, even if proper voltage for valve is available, a one to one ratio transformer will be required to isolate d.c. system from a.c. system. The transformer and associated inductance is therefore unavoidable.

#### IV) LOAD POWER FACTOR:

Load power factor also contributes towards the reactive power demand. It is seen from equation 3.18 of Chapter 3, that

$$\tan \beta = \frac{E_L \sin \phi_L + I\pi}{E_L \cos \phi_L + IR}$$

It is obvious that a low power factor tends to increase angle  $\beta$ , i.e. effect is to increase the overlap angle and hence increased demand for reactive power.

#### V) A.C. SYSTEM FAULTS: <sup>(1,10,16)</sup>

The faults on a.c. system, in general cause either reduction of voltage or collapse of voltage, considering a three phase fault at the a.c. side of inverter, the voltage available for commutation will be decreased. This will be followed by increase of overlap angle and thus more demand of reactive power. Against system faults, it is desirable to have an effective control of static capacitor to meet the system reactive power demand.

#### A.5. DELAYED ANGLE OF VALVE FIRING: <sup>(2,5,16)</sup>

It has been stated earlier that for every valve, there is a certain time in which the grid recovers its controlling ability. The angle associated with this time is known as deionization angle and represented by  $\delta$ . Therefore advance firing angle  $\beta$  is made up of two parts  $\beta = \delta + \gamma_r$

for successful commutation it is essential that angle  $\beta$  is always secured at least equal to  $\delta$ .

During normal operation, the inverters operate with as small  $\beta$  as possible, thereby reducing the need of reactive power.

#### A.4. SAFETY OF INVERTER OPERATION: <sup>(12, 9, 11, 13)</sup>

As stated in preceding paragraph, minimum angle  $\delta$  is required to secure successful commutation. This angle is about  $10^\circ$  but as a matter of fact, it differs from valve to valve. In the case of faults or disturbances, when current and voltage of the system are liable to change, there is a possibility that  $V_r$  will increase, thereby reducing  $\delta$ , therefore this results in a fault known as commutation failure. In all the systems where constant  $\beta$  control is practiced, the reduction of receiving end voltage will result in a commutation failure, if sufficient margin on firing angle  $\beta$  is not provided.<sup>(14)</sup>

It becomes clear now that safety of inverter operation is achieved by providing a larger  $\beta$ , and in fact larger the firing angle, greater is this safety. At the same time it may also be noted that greater value of  $\beta$ , will require a larger amount of reactive power. So can conclude, that safety of inverter operation increases at the cost of reactive power.

#### A.5. FORCED COMMUTATION:

Investigations on reactive power have lead to the possibility of reducing or even eliminating reactive power. It is rather a "preventive" method and is achieved by "forced commutation" that is by means of which commutation is achieved even after the 'voltage zero' on the a.c. side, thus not only making it possible

for inverter not to consume reactive power but even to supply it to the system load requirements.

#### 4.6. REDUCTION OF REACTIVE POWER <sup>(9)</sup>

Dr. H.G. Mingerani, of Manchester College of Science and Technology, has suggested a method to reduce reactive power demand. Usual practice is to connect static capacitors or filters on the primary side (i.e. line side) of the inverter transformer or alternatively a tertiary winding is provided, specially for static capacitors. If instead of line side, these filters or static capacitors are connected on valve side (i.e. on secondary side of the inverter transformer), the capacitor would assist commutation, resulting in a reduced overlap angle and thus allowing the inverter to operate at an improved power factor. It may, however, be mentioned here that efforts to reduce reactive power are being done since as early as 1942.

reactive power is given by

$$P_r = V_o I_d \sin \phi$$

$$\text{where } \cos \phi = \frac{[\cos \delta + \cos(\delta + \gamma_r)]}{2}$$

by reducing  $\gamma_r$  saving in reactive power results, use of capacitors and filters is helpful in reducing overlap angle. Methods to reduce reactive power demand are still in experimental stage hence their discussion is omitted.

#### 4.7. SUPPLY OF REACTIVE POWER <sup>(1, 9, 11)</sup>

4.7.1. Inverter needs considerable amount of reactive power to be supplied for stable operation. This reactive power is small during normal operation conditions but under transient conditions it becomes very high. The apparatus supplying such a great amount

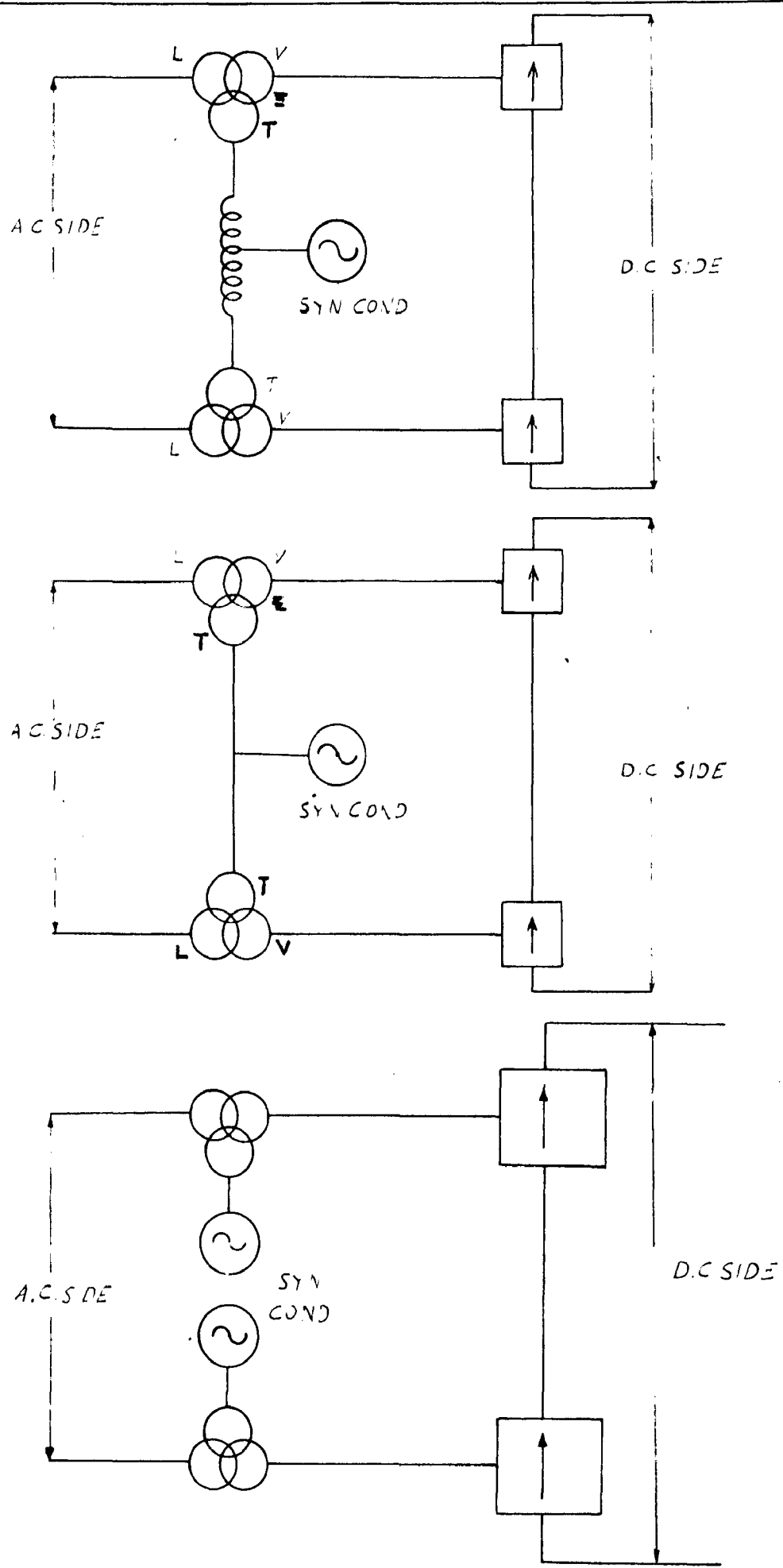


FIGURE 2 - ARRANGEMENTS OF SYNCHRONOUS CONDENSER  
 L = LINE WINDING  
 T = TRANSFORMER  
 V = VALVE

of reactive power, other than a.c. generator, synchronous condenser will come to mind. However, recently, as the apparatus supplying reactive power, static condenser (Bank of static capacitor) has come into picture.

Reactive power in a simple d.c. system can also be supplied by the exciting a.c. system at the inverter and but in the case where the large blocks of power are to be transferred, exciting a.c. system may not be adequate, extra measures<sup>to</sup> supply reactive power are to be taken therefore. Synchronous condenser and static capacitor may serve this purpose, practically speaking, static capacitors are used for small loading of d.c. lines but where the converter is rated for large power, synchronous condensers are provided. In practice, synchronous condensers are connected to the tertiary winding of the converter transformer through a decoupling reactor. The main function of decoupling reactor is to reduce the mutual interaction of the two converter transformer. Several arrangements of connecting synchronous condenser are shown in figure 4.2.

Choice between synchronous condensers and static capacitors may depend on many economical & technical factors, at one place synchronous condenser may be more advantageous while static capacitor at the other place. Sometimes it may be more feasible economically and technically, to use a combination of the both. Some advantages and disadvantages of each of them are listed below:



A.7.2. SYNCHRONOUS CONDENSERS

1. Synchronous condensers have better characteristics from regulation point of view.
2. In the event when voltage falls due to load increase, the regulating arrangement will provide an increase in the KV Ar and prevent the system from running down.
3. Losses in synchronous condensers are more than in the case of static capacitors.

A.7.3. DRAW OF STATIC CAPACITORS

1. Static capacitors are cheaper, have small losses, and low cost of operation.
2. Because of reduced overlap angle, reactive power demand is reduced so system is operated at high power factor and better utilization of installed capacity is achieved.
3. In the case of large capacity of static capacitor, the wave form of voltage is improved.
4. Investigations are being done on the possibility to run an inverter without any dynamic source of alternating voltage (i.e. synchronous condenser or auxiliary power system). In such a case, the system is run at the natural frequency determined by the capacitance provided and parameters of the system. Such system of course is complicated and not yet practicable.
5. One added advantage of static capacitor is that because of their large time constant, under fault or sudden load change conditions in the a.c. systems

the static capacitor can sustain the voltage in the period immediately subsequent to disturbance. This will not allow sudden voltage change. Instead it will allow the valves to adjust their firing angle with greater facility and reduce the possibility of commutation failure.

In practical schemes KASHIRA-DO-CO<sub>2</sub> TRANSMISSIONS use only static capacitors to supply reactive power.

Originally in Donbass - Stalingrad Transmission, it was proposed to install synchronous condenser and static capacitor to share the KVAR required in ratio 3:1, connected to tertiary winding of main transformer. But now it has been decided to use only static capacitors. This new arrangement has reduced the KVAR consumption to 400 KVAR against 450 KVAR for a load of 750 Mw.

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CHAPTER - 5

## CHAPTER 5

### POWER ANGLE CHARACTERISTICS

#### 5.1. INTRODUCTION

The power transmitted over a d.c. line is given by <sup>(13)</sup>

$$P_{d.c.} = \frac{(E_{d1} - E_{d2}) E_{d1}}{R} \quad \dots 5.1.$$

Equation 5.1. shows that the transmitted power is proportional to the difference of two d.c. voltages at the sending and receiving end. Thus no power can be transmitted over a d.c. line if both the terminal voltages are maintained equal. In a.c. transmission, the power is transmitted by virtue of torque angle between the terminal voltages. By varying this torque angle, the power over an a.c. line can be transmitted even if the two terminal voltages are equal in magnitude. Therefore it becomes clear that there is a fundamental difference in the principles of a.c. and d.c. power transmission.

#### 5.2. POWER FLOW EQUATIONS:

On the basis of analysis given in chapter 2 simple d.c. system can be converted into an equivalent system which behaves similar to a two machine a.c. system.

System given in figure 5.1. can be reduced into an equivalent system as shown in figure 5.2(b) and 5.2(c). Power flow characteristics of a simple two machine a.c. system are <sup>(12)</sup> given by the following conventional equations.

$$P_1 = \frac{E_1^2}{Z} \sin \alpha_1 + \frac{E_1 E_2}{Z} \sin (\delta_{12} - \alpha_1)$$

$$P_2 = \frac{E_2^2}{Z} \sin \alpha_2 + \frac{E_1 E_2}{Z} \sin (\delta_{21} - \alpha_2)$$

$P_1$  and  $P_2$  denote the power 'from' or 'to' machine '1' and '2' respectively, and  $\alpha = (90 - \theta)$ ,  $\theta = \tan^{-1} \frac{Z_X}{R}$

$$\delta_{12} = -\delta_{21} = \text{torque angle}$$

To write the power angle characteristics of a d.c. system represented by figure 5.1(a), first this system is converted into equivalent a.c. system as shown in figure 5.1.(b) and (c) and then on the basis of above equations. The power angle equations are written as:-

$$P_1 = \frac{E_1^2}{\lambda^2 Z_S} \sin \alpha_1 + \frac{E_1 E_2}{\lambda Z_S} \sin (\delta_{12} - \alpha_1) \quad \dots 5.2.$$

$$P_2 = \frac{E_2^2}{Z_T} \sin \alpha_2 + \frac{E_1 E_2 \lambda}{Z_T} \sin (\delta_{21} - \alpha_2) \quad \dots 5.3.$$

where

$$\alpha_1 = (90 - \theta_S)$$

$$\alpha_2 = (90 - \theta_T)$$

It can be seen from eqn. (5.2.) and (5.3.), that the power angle characteristics for such a d.c. system will differ from the characteristics of two machines a.c. system in two main ways.

1. In a.c. system, resistance can be neglected and thus the power angle characteristics assume a sinusoidal wave form. In d.c. system, because of non linear converter characteristics, an impedance is introduced and so the power angle characteristics will not be a sine curve.

2. In a.c. system power transmitted is equal to power received (i.e.  $P_1 = P_2$ ) for a lossless line, but in d.c.,  $P_1$  is not equal to  $P_2$  because of losses involved in converting devices.

### 5.3. PARALLEL A.C. AND D.C. SYSTEMS

We shall not deal with the system represented by figure 5.2. instead, we will consider a combined (parallel a.c. and d.c.) system as shown in figure 5.3. Equivalent circuit and vector relationship are shown in Figure 5.4 and 5.5 respectively. When both a.c. and d.c. systems operate in parallel, the total transmission capacity is divided between the two. <sup>(10/13/14)</sup> Following analysis will give the combined characteristics of such system.

Neglecting the resistance of the system

$$\text{Let } Z = X_1 + X_2$$

The power output of generator

$$\begin{aligned} P_1 + jQ_1 &= \frac{E_1(E_1 - E_2 - X_2 I_0)}{Z} \\ &= \frac{E_1^2 - E_1 E_2 - X_2 I_0 E_1}{Z} \\ &= \frac{1}{Z} \left[ 2 \frac{j\eta}{E_1} e^{\frac{j\eta}{2}} - E_1 E_2 e^{j(\frac{\eta}{2} + \delta_{12})} - X_2 I_0 E_1 e^{j(\delta_1 - \phi_1)} \right] \quad (5.4) \end{aligned}$$

and the power input to motor (2)

$$P_2 + jQ_2 = -\frac{1}{Z} (E_2 - E_1 - I_0 X_1) E_2$$

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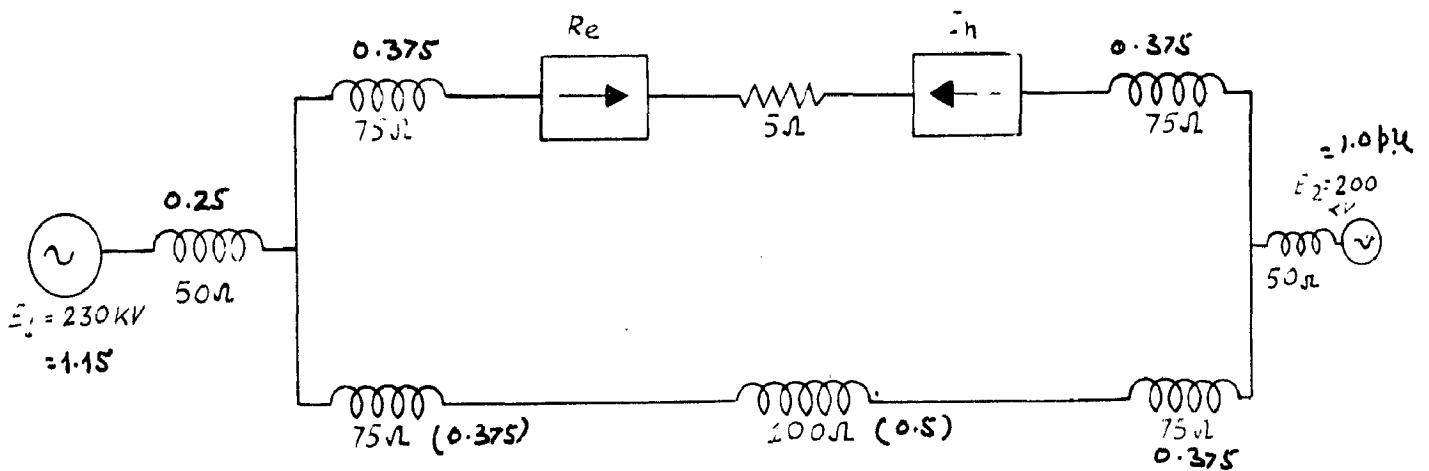


FIGURE 5.3 ASSUMED SYSTEM (GENERATOR TRANSFORMER AND LINE REACTANCES REPRESENTED)

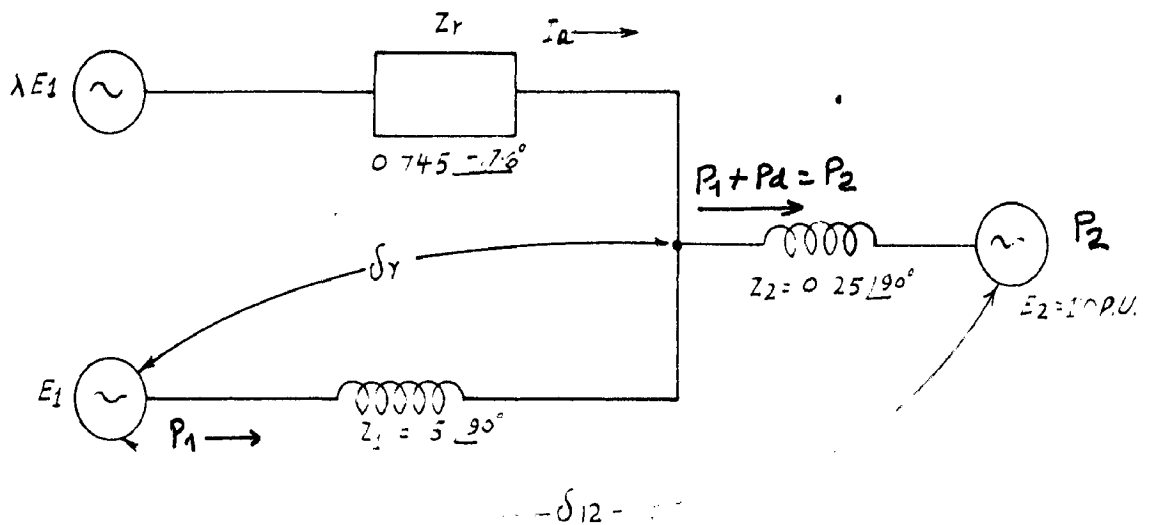


FIGURE 5.4 SIMPLIFIED PARALLEL A.C. AND D.C. SYSTEM FOR ANALYSIS.

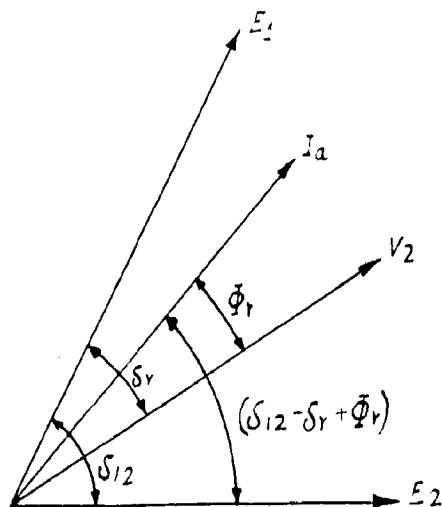


FIGURE 5.5 VECTOR DIAGRAM FOR FIGURE 5.4

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$$\begin{aligned}
&= -\frac{1}{2} (E_2^2 - E_1 E_2 - I_0 X_1 E_2) \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \left[ E_2 E_1 e^{j(\frac{\pi}{2} - \delta_{12})} - E_2^2 e^{j\frac{\pi}{2}} + I_0 X_1 E_2 e^{j(\delta_r - \delta_{12} - \phi_r)} \right] \quad (5.5)
\end{aligned}$$

As a matter of fact, above equations (5.4) and (5.5) are similar to the power flow equations for a two machine a.c. system except that in this case account has been taken of the fact that d.c. line also contributes to power flow and thus as it is obvious,  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  are affected by the presence of d.c. link.

Separating Real and imaginary parts of equation 5.4. and 5.5, we get, active components as

$$\begin{aligned}
P_1 &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ -\cos(90 + \delta_{12}) E_1 E_2 - \cos(\delta_r - \phi_r) I_0 X_2 E_1 \right] \\
\text{or } P_1 &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ E_1 E_2 \sin \delta_{12} - E_1 I_0 X_2 \cos(\delta_r - \phi_r) \right] \dots (5.6)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
P_2 &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ E_1 E_2 \cos(90 - \delta_{12}) + I_0 X_1 E_2 \cos(\delta_r - \delta_{12} - \phi_r) \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \left[ E_1 E_2 \sin \delta_{12} + X_1 I_0 E_2 \cos(\delta_r - \delta_{12} - \phi_r) \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \left[ E_1 E_2 \sin \delta_{12} + I_0 X_1 E_2 \cos(\delta_{12} - \delta_r + \phi_r) \right] \quad (5.7)
\end{aligned}$$

and Reactive Part,

$$\begin{aligned}
Q_1 &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ E_1^2 \sin 90 - E_1 E_2 \sin(90 + \delta_{12}) - X_2 I_0 E_1 \sin(\delta_r - \phi_r) \right] \\
Q_1 &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ E_1^2 - E_1 E_2 \cos \delta_{12} - X_2 I_0 E_1 \sin(\delta_r - \phi_r) \right] \quad (5.8)
\end{aligned}$$

Similarly

$$\begin{aligned}
Q_2 &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ E_1 E_2 \sin(90 - \delta_{12}) - E_2^2 \sin 90 \right. \\
&\quad \left. + X_1 I_0 E_2 \sin(\delta_r - \delta_{12} - \phi_r) \right]
\end{aligned}$$



(42)

$$= \frac{1}{Z} [E_1 E_2 \cos \delta_{12} - E_2^2 + X_1 I_a E_2 \sin (\delta_r - \delta_{12} - \phi_r)] \quad (5.9)$$

In the combined system when d.c. line does not take any load i.e.  $I_a = 0$ , therefore  $I_a = 0$

( $I_a = KI_d =$  equivalent a.c. current)

Substituting,  $I_a = 0$ , eqn. 5.6 and 5.7. become

$$P_1 = \frac{E_1 E_2 \sin \delta_{12}}{Z} \quad \text{from } \dots 5.6.$$

$$P_2 = \frac{E_1 E_2}{Z} \sin \delta_{12} \quad \text{from } \dots 5.7.$$

which are equations for two machine a.c. system.

To calculate  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  and to plot power angle characteristics (from eqn. 5.6 and 5.7.) it is essential to know the values of  $I_a$  and  $\delta_r$ . These values can be found from the following equations derived in Chapter 2.

$$0 = -E_2 Y_2 \cos (\delta_{12} + \phi_r - \delta_r) + E_1 Y_1 \cos (\phi_r - \delta_r) + \lambda E_1 Y_r \sin \phi_r \quad (5.10)$$

and

$$I_a = E_1 Y_1 \sin (\phi_r - \delta_r) - E_2 Y_2 \sin (\delta_{12} + \phi_r - \delta_r) - \lambda E_1 Y_r \cos \phi_r \quad (5.11)$$

As an example, we will discuss the system of figure 1.7 and calculate the power angle characteristics.

Neglecting resistance the system can be represented by pure reactances as shown in figure 5.3.

For convenience, we will calculate on per unit basis<sup>(15)</sup> assuming the following base quantities.

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Base Voltage = 200 KV (Line to Line)

Base Power = 200 MVA (3 Phase)

$$\text{Base Current} = \frac{200 \times 10^6}{\sqrt{3} \times 200 \times 1000} = 578 \text{ Amps.}$$

$$\text{Base Impedance} = \frac{(\text{KV}_{\text{base}})^2}{(\text{MVA}_{\text{base}})} = \frac{40000}{200}$$

= 200 Ohm.

Let

Generator Voltage, =  $E_1$  = 250 KV (Line to Line)

Load Voltage =  $E_2$  = 200 KV (Line to Line)

Angle of delay of rectifier  $\alpha = 10^\circ$

Angle of overlap of rectifier  $\gamma_s = 5^\circ$

Angle of deionisation of Inverter  $\delta_r = 15^\circ$

Angle of overlap of inverter  $\gamma_r = 5^\circ$

Therefore,  $(\alpha + \gamma_s) = 15^\circ$

$$\beta = (\delta_r + \gamma_r) = 20^\circ$$

$$\begin{aligned} \cos \phi_r &= \frac{1}{2} (\cos \beta + \cos \delta_r) \quad \text{from eqn. 2.22} \\ &= 0.953 \end{aligned}$$

$$\phi_r = 17.6^\circ$$

$$\sin \phi_r = 0.3$$

$$\begin{aligned} R' &= \text{Total resistance of d.c. line} = \frac{3}{\pi} (X_s + X_r) + R \\ &= 148.5 \text{ Ohms.} \end{aligned}$$

(44)

Assuming rectifier and inverter have similar connections  
so that

$$K_1 = K_2 = \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{\pi}$$

$$K_3 = K_4 = \frac{\sqrt{6}}{\pi}$$

Equivalent impedance of d.c. line

$$Z_r = \frac{R^1 \angle -\phi_r}{K_1 K_4 \cos \beta} \quad \text{from eqn. 2.10}$$

$$= \frac{148.5 \angle -\phi_r}{\frac{3\sqrt{2}}{\pi} \frac{\sqrt{6}}{\pi} \times 0.94 \times 200} \quad \text{p.u.} = 0.745 \angle -\phi_r \text{ p.u.}$$

$$E_1 = \frac{230}{200} = 1.15 \text{ p.u.}$$

$$E_2 = \frac{200}{200} = 1.0 \text{ p.u.}$$

$$\lambda = \frac{K_1 \cos \alpha}{K_2 \cos \beta}$$
$$= \frac{0.966}{0.94} = 1.027$$

$$\lambda E_1 = 1.15 \times 1.027$$
$$= 1.182 \text{ p.u.}$$

On the basis of theory given in Chapter 2, the system  
of figure 5.3. can be reduced as system of figure 5.4.  
in which

$$Z_1 = 300 \text{ Ohms} = 1.5 \text{ p.u.}$$

$$Z_2 = 50 \text{ Ohms.} = .25 \text{ p.u.}$$

$$\therefore Y_1 = \frac{1}{1.5} = 0.666 \text{ p.u.}$$

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$$Y_2 = \frac{1}{0.25} = 4.0 \text{ p.u.}$$

$$Y_r = \frac{1}{0.745} = 1.34 \text{ p.u.}$$

To calculate the power flow from equations (5.6) and (5.7) we have three unknowns  $\delta_{12}$ ,  $\delta_r$  &  $I_a$ . The values of  $I_a$  and  $\delta_{12}$  are calculated from equations 5.10 and 5.11. First of all any arbitrary value of  $\delta_r$  is substituted in equation 5.10 other things being known,  $\delta_{12}$  is found from 5.10 and substituted in eqn. 5.11 from 5.11,  $I_a$  is then calculated. For these values, corresponding values of  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  are calculated.

Substituting the above calculated values in equation 5.10 and 5.11, we get  
$$0 = -E_2 Y_2 \cos(\delta_{12} + \phi_r - \delta_r) + E_1 Y_1 \cos(\phi_r - \delta_r) + \lambda E_1 Y_r \sin \phi_r$$
which reduces to

$$4 \cos(\delta_{12} + \phi_r - \delta_r) = 1.15 \times 0.666 \cos(\phi_r - \delta_r) + 1.10 \times 1.34 \times 0.5$$

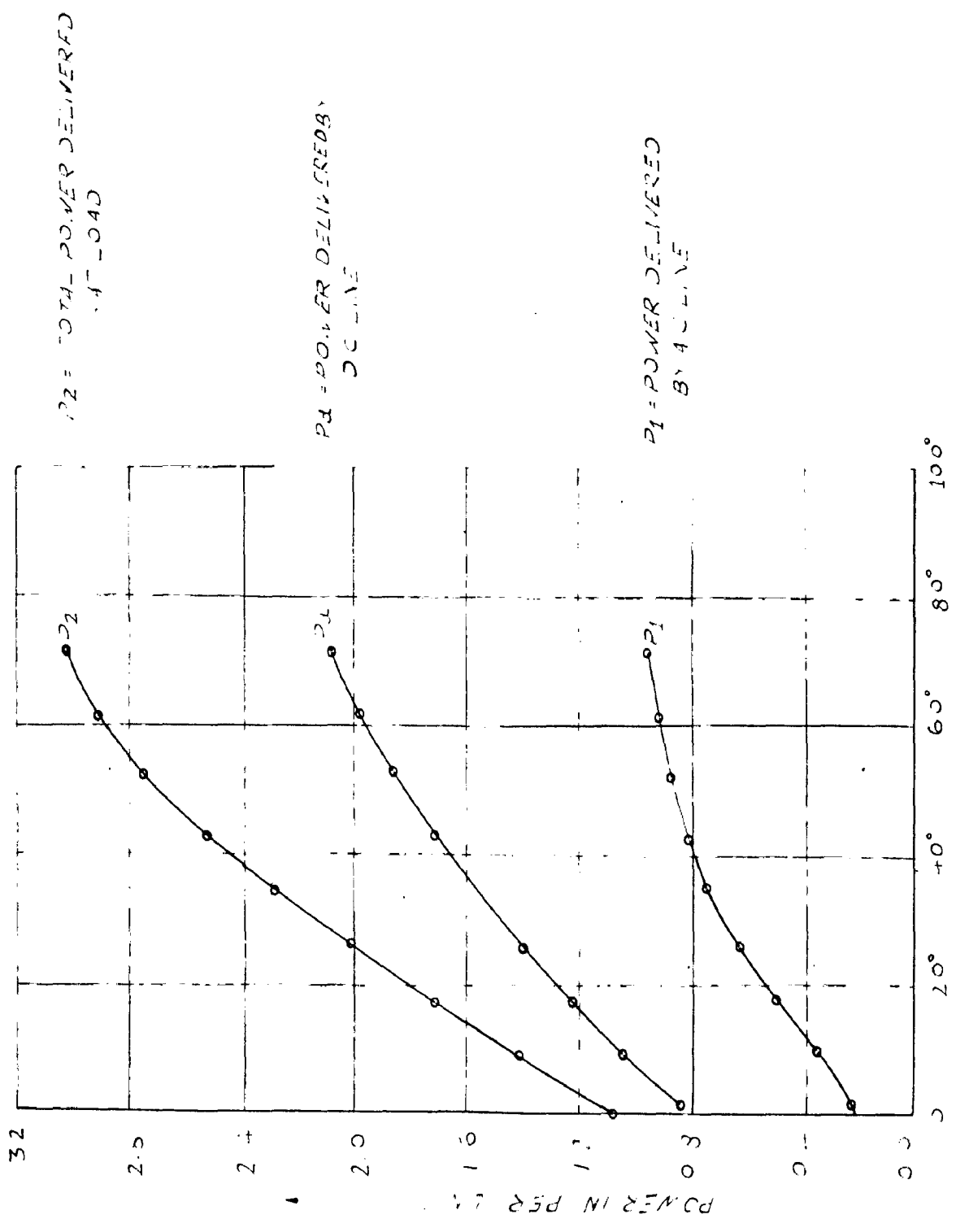
$$\cos(\phi_r - \delta_r) = \theta_k$$

$$\cos(\delta_{12} + \theta_k) = 0.191 \cos \theta_k + 0.119 \quad \dots (a)$$

giving different values to  $\delta_r$  (hence  $\theta_k$ ), we calculate corresponding values of  $\delta_{12}$ . Substituting these values of  $\theta_k$  and  $\delta_{12}$  in eqn. 5.11, we know the value of  $KId$  from the following equations

$$KId = I_a = 0.765 \sin \theta_k - 4 \sin(\delta_{12} + \theta_k) - 1.51 \quad \dots (b)$$

These values of  $I_a$  and  $\theta_k$  are substituted in equations (5.6) and (5.7) and power angle equations then can be simplified as:-



TORQUE ANGLE  $\delta_{12}$  IN DEGREES  
GRAPH 52

$$P_1 = 0.6.6 \sin \delta_{12} = 0.2875 I_a \cos \theta' \dots$$

$$P_2 = 0.606 \sin \delta_{12} + 1.5 I_a \cos (\delta_{12} + \theta_k)$$

Power delivered by d.c. line is equal to  $(P_2 - P_1)$ .

Table 1 shows the calculated results which have been plotted on graph 5.1.

#### 5.A. POWER TRANSMISSION OVER D.C. LINES <sup>(13)</sup>

Power transmitted over a d.c. line is given by

$$P_d = (K_1 E_1 \cos \alpha - R_1 I_d) I_d \dots (5.12)$$

Where

$R_1$  = Equivalent resistance of rectifier

$Z$  = Total resistance of d.c. circuit.

$$I_d = \frac{(K_1 E_1 \cos \alpha - R_2 I_d \cos \beta)}{Z} \dots (5.13)$$

Substituting for  $I_d$  in equation 5.12

$$P_d = K_1 E_1 \cos \alpha I_d - \frac{(K_1 E_1 \cos \alpha - R_2 I_d \cos \beta)^2 R_1}{Z^2}$$

Simplifying we get

$$P_d = \frac{1}{Z^2} \left[ (Z - R_1) (K_1 E_1 \cos \alpha)^2 + (2 R_1 - Z) K_2 E_2 \cos \beta \cdot K_1 E_1 \cos \alpha - R_1 (K_2 E_2 \cos \beta)^2 \right] \dots 5.14$$

Equation 5.14 shows that the d.c. power can be varied by exercising the control of switching angles of rectifier and inverter. The power variation is possible even if the terminal voltages are kept constant. In case of a.c., no such method is adoptable to control the power except by voltage variation.

Equation 5.12 can also be expressed as

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$$P_d = \frac{(E_1 I_1 \cos \alpha - E_2 I_2 \cos \beta) E_1 I_1 \cos \alpha}{Z} \quad \dots (5.14)$$

(a)

Equation 5.14 shows that variation of d.c. power is affected by the system parameters  $E_1$ ,  $E_2$ ,  $\alpha$ , or  $\beta$ ,

By means of an example, we will study the effect of variation of d.c. power when sending end voltage drops and inverter firing angle changes.

Taking parameters of example <sup>of Section</sup> 5.3.

$$\text{Let } \alpha = 20^\circ$$

$$\beta = 30^\circ$$

$$E_2 = 200 \text{ KV}$$

$$K_1 = K_2 = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\pi}$$

$$K_1 \cos \alpha = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\pi} \cos 20^\circ = 1.27$$

$$(K_1 \cos \alpha)^2 = 1.62$$

$$E_{d2} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\pi} (\cos 30) \times 200$$

$$= 239 \text{ KV}$$

$$E_{d2}^2 = 5,7000$$

$$Z = 146 \text{ Ohms.}$$

$$R_1 = 71.5 \text{ Ohms.}$$

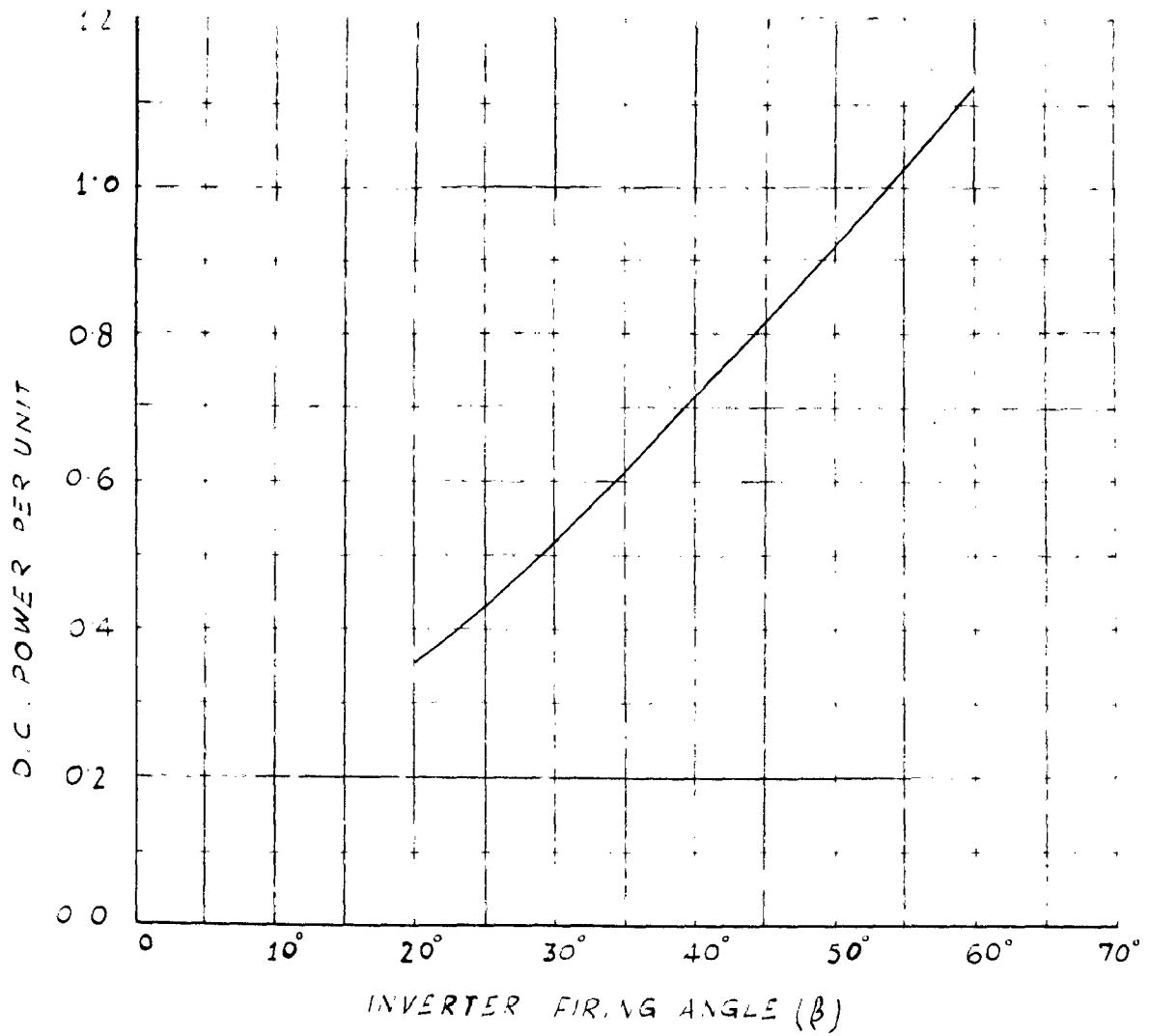
$$(Z - R_1) = 76.5 \text{ Ohms.}$$

$$(2R_1 - Z) = -5$$

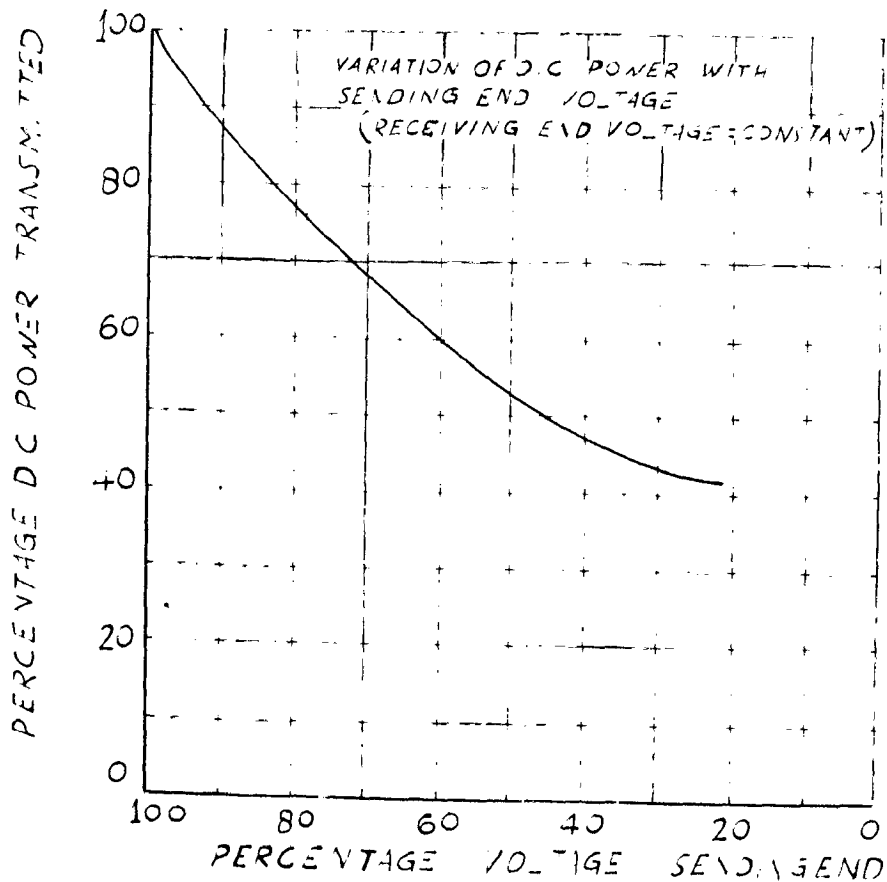
Substituting in Eqn. 5.14 we get

$$P_d = \frac{1}{2.2} (.0124 E_1^2 - .1935 E_1 + 470) \text{ MW. ....}$$

(Here  $E_1$  is in KV)



GRAPH 5.2 VARIATION OF D.C. POWER WITH INVERTER FIRING ANGLE.



GRAPH 5.3



Calculated results are tabulated in Table 2. Graph 5.3. shows the variation of d.c. power when sending end voltage falls. As it is expected transmitted power also reduces considerably. Another graph 5.2. shows variation of d.c. power with inverter's firing angle. The power increases with firing angle (Table 2 b).

### 5.5. LIMITING RATIO OF A.C. AND D.C. I/O FOR A GIVEN STATIC CONDENSER CAPACITY:

One of the several methods to meet the reactive power demand, is to install the static capacitors on the d.c. side of the inverter. These are rated to deliver the required amount of KVar. If a static capacitor is rated for a particular value of current, it will fail when current exceeds its rated value. Therefore the system will become unstable on account of interruption of required KVar. supply. We will take here a simple case to find the limiting ratio of d.c. to a.c. power for stability of inverter. Considering the following system with given assumptions:-

1. Generator Voltage  $E_1$  remains constant.
2. Load voltage  $E_2$  varies to take into account the load fluctuations in the system.
3. Alternating current corresponding to a particular setting, remains constant. This current setting can be changed by regulating equipment.
4. Load is situated at the inverter transformer secondary, as such, to neglect the line impedance.
5. Resistance of the system is neglected.

Following relations will be used:-

$$I = \frac{\sqrt{6}}{\pi} I_d \quad \dots (5.15)$$

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$$I_d = \frac{I_2^2}{\sqrt{2} \omega L_2} (\cos \delta - \cos \beta) \quad \dots 5.16$$

$$\text{Active power from inverter } P = \sqrt{3} E_2 I_L \cos \phi \quad \dots 5.17$$

Power factor at the a.c. side of inverter

$$\cos \phi = \frac{1}{2} (\cos \delta + \cos \beta) \quad \dots 5.18$$

$$Q = \text{Reactive power needed} = \sqrt{3} E_2 I \sin \phi / \quad \dots 5.19$$

Substituting value of  $I_d$  from 5.1 in 5.16 we get

$$(\cos \delta - \cos \beta) = \frac{\sqrt{2} \cdot \pi}{I_2} \cdot \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{6}} I \quad \dots 5.20$$

Let

$$\delta = 10^\circ$$

$$\cos \delta = 0.9848$$

Here variation of power (active and reactive) will be calculated for constant value of alternative current and varying receiving end voltage.

for  
i)  $I = 500$  Amps.

$$\cos \beta = \cos \delta - \frac{75 \times \pi \times 500}{\sqrt{3} \times 2 \times 1000}$$

$$\cos \beta = \cos \delta - \frac{68}{2} \quad L_2 \text{ in KV (L-L)}$$

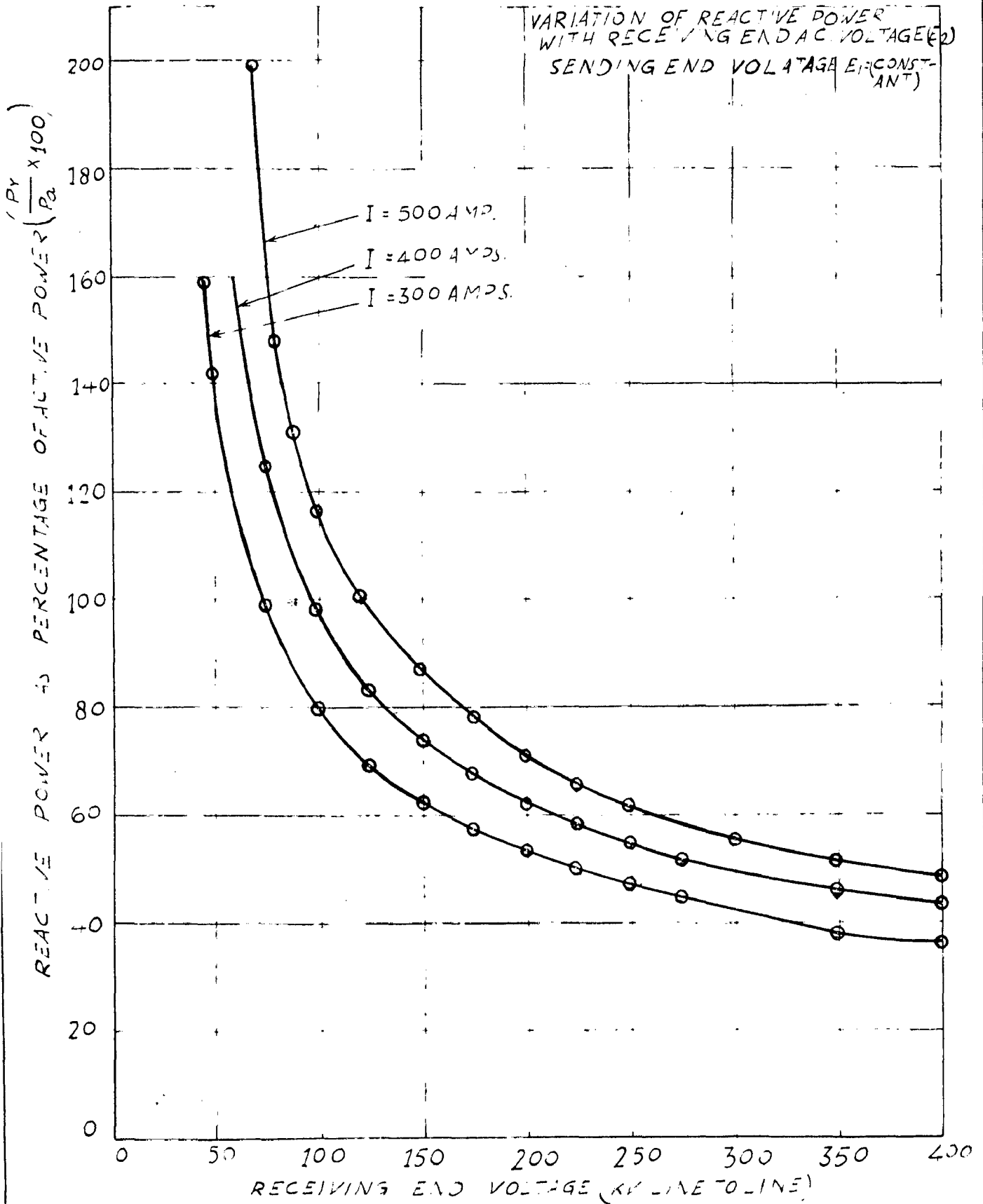
ii) for  $I = 400$  Amps

$$\cos \beta = \cos \delta - \frac{75 \times \pi \times 400}{\sqrt{3} \times E_2 \times 1000}$$

$$= .9848 - \frac{54.4}{E_2}$$

iii) Similarly for  $I = 300$  Amps.

$$\cos \beta = .9848 - \frac{40.7}{E_2}$$



GRAPH 5.4

Calculated values have been tabulated in Table 3.

The results have been plotted in graph 5.4.

Let static capacitor be rated to deliver

100 KVAR at 500 Ampere.

P = Active power delivered by D.C. Link

Q = reactive power required for inverter.

Load voltage =  $E_2 = 200$  KV,  $X = 300$  Ohms.

From graph 5.4. at 200 KV,  $\frac{Q}{P} = \tan \phi = .53$

$$\phi = 27.8^\circ$$

$$\sin \phi = .466$$

$$\text{MVA} = \frac{100}{.466} = E_2 I = E_2 \cdot E_2 \omega C.$$

$$C = \frac{100 \cdot 10^{-6}}{\frac{5.85 \times 3}{5.85 \times 3}}$$

$$C = \frac{17.1}{3} = 5.7 \mu F.$$

A.C. Power is given by  $= \frac{E_1 E_2}{X} \sin \delta_{12}$

Max. a.c. power at  $\delta_{12} = 90^\circ$

$$= \frac{230 \times 200 \times 10^6}{3 \times 300}$$

$$P_{ao} = 51.1 \text{ MW}$$

Q = Reactive Power = 100 KVAR.

and  $\frac{Q}{P} = 0.53$

$$P = \frac{100}{0.53} = 189 \text{ MW.}$$

$$\text{Limiting ratio of d.c. to a.c. power} = \frac{189}{51.9}$$

$$= 3.64.$$

5.6. SUMMARY:

Analysis of parallel a.c. and d.c. system is difficult and time consuming. It involves the evaluation of several unknowns for one value of torque angle in accordance with equation 5.6 and 5.7. A set of power angle characteristics is plotted assuming arbitrary parameters.

It is seen from graph 5.1. that power delivered by a.c. line is only a small portion of total load. Major portion of a load power is delivered by d.c. line. It is observed that steady state stability limit is reached at about  $73^\circ$  torque angle which is less than the limiting value of torque angle in case of a pure a.c. system. So far as the power level is concerned, it is highly increased. If we compare the power of parallel a.c. and d.c. system with a similar system in which d.c. line is replaced by a.c. line, to find maximum power if d.c. is replaced by a.c.

$$= \frac{1.2}{X_{eq.}} \sin \delta_{12}$$

here

$X_{eq.}$  is the combined reactance of both the lines

$$X_{eq.} = 0.25 + \frac{1.25}{2} = 0.25$$

$$= 1.125$$

$$\text{Maximum power} = \frac{1.15}{1.125} \sin 90^\circ$$

$$= 1.022 \text{ p.u.}$$

Comparing the power in both cases, it is seen that when a.c. line is paralleled by a d.c. line in the system, power transmitting capacity of the system is increased.

Graph 5.2. shows the variation of d.c. power with inverter firing angle. It is seen that d.c. power increases sharply with

firing angle. However, it can be noted that this will be followed by an increased demand of reactive power. Thus if sufficient means to supply reactive power are available, firing angle can be increased to raise d.c. power. Graph 5.3. shows the effect of falling the sending end voltage. The transmitted power also drops down as is indicated in the graph. For a given capacity to supply reactive power, there is a limiting ratio of d.c. to a.c. power, which can be transmitted without failure of inverter on account of interruption in reactive power supply. This ratio has been calculated in section 5.5.

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TABLE 1

$\theta_R = (\theta_2 - \delta_1)$	0	10°	20°	30°	40°	50°	60°	70°	80°
$\cos(\delta_{12} + \theta_R)$	.31	.307	.2935	.2805	.265	.242	.2165	.1844	.1522
$I_D$ P.u.	5.31	5.18	5.068	4.957	4.869	4.814	4.748	4.722	4.7
$\delta_{12}$ degrees	72°	62.1°	52.7°	43.5°	34.6°	26°	17.6°	9.4°	1.2°
$P_1$ p.u.	.952	.930	.893	.816	.725	.623	.499	.365	.2225
$P_2$ p.u.	3.046	2.915	2.752	2.527	2.280	2.016	1.713	1.409	1.087
$P_D$ p.u.	2.094	1.935	1.869	1.711	1.455	1.393	1.2145	1.044	0.865

Table 2 Page 5.3.

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H	100	95.7.	91.2	87	76	65.2	56.4	45.5	32.6	21.7	17.6	10.0
Pd	100	94.5	89.8	84.7	73.7	64.4	56.5	49.3	45.4	41.9.	41.1	13.8

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Using equation 5.14, taking  $E_1 = 230 \text{ kV}$ ,  $E_2 = 200 \text{ kV}$  and other values as on page 47, the expression for D.C. Power reduces to  $P_{dc} = 296 - 18.3 \cos^2 \beta - 233 \cos^3 \beta$ ; from which we calculate as below:-

TABLE 2 (b)  
 VARIATION OF D.C. POWER WITH INVERTER Firing ANGLE ( $\beta$ )  
 (GRAPH 5.2)

$\beta$ (degrees)	20	25	30	40	50	60
$P_{dc}$ (per unit)	0.355	0.435	0.526	0.725	0.932	1.14

Table 5.4

a) I = 300 Amp.

D(HV)	45	50	75	100	125	150	175	200	225	250	275
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$\frac{D}{D_0}(\%)$	159	142	93.5	79.6	69.5	62.5	57	53.3	51	47.2	44.8
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b) I = 400 Amp.

D(HV)	60	75	100	125	150	175	200	225	250	275
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$\frac{D}{D_0}(\%)$	159	125	98.5	93.7	74	68	62	50	54	52
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c) I = 500 Amp.

D(HV)	70	80	90	100	120	150	160	150	175	200	225	250	275
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$\frac{D}{D_0}(\%)$	199	148	131	117	101	95	91	89	78	71	66	62.5	59
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### 6.1. Parallel Operation <sup>(12,15,16)</sup>

Study of system stability is important from the point of view that it gives an idea of the system behaviour under abnormal operating conditions. Associated conventional terms both steady state or transient stability have to be given due consideration before deciding the suitability of a particular system. A brief discussion will be made here regarding the stability of parallel a.c. and d.c. system.

### 6.2. Effect of Parallel Operation <sup>(11, 12, 13, 14, 15)</sup>

The effect of operating d.c. transmission line in parallel with a.c. system can be seen from graph 5.1. where the power angle characteristics of the combined system have been plotted.

If we replace the d.c. line by a line similar to that of paralleled a.c. line and system is made to operate as a double circuit a.c. system, the new power angle characteristics of this system will be sinusoidal in nature (neglecting reactance) and the maximum steady state power which can be transmitted corresponding to torque angle of  $90^\circ$ , is given by the well known relation

$$\begin{aligned} P_{\text{MAX.}} &= \frac{1.02}{1.12} \sin 90^\circ \quad \text{Substituting the values} \\ &\quad \text{as given for parallel system.} \\ &= \frac{1.15}{1.12} = 1.022 \text{ p.u.} \end{aligned}$$

It is observed from combined characteristics of graph 5.1. that the maximum steady state power transmitted by combined system is 3.046 per unit which is high enough in comparison to the maximum power transmitted by a double circuit a.c. system. This

considerable increase in steady state power limit goes in favour of using a d.c. link in parallel with a.c. line. This increase in power may be due to the fact that unlike a.c. system, the torque angle does not affect d.c. power. It is known that d.c. power depends on the voltage difference between the sending and receiving end, and can be increased by the increasing of the inverter advance firing angle. Graph 5.3. of Chapter 5 shows the effect of variation of inverter firing angle on the d.c. power. The stability under steady state can thus be increased by exercising the inverter control. The limitation comes only due to reactive power requirements. Experience in most of the d.c. projects has shown that inverters can be operated upto a firing angle of  $60^\circ$ . Hence quite a good amount of d.c. power can be achieved.

However, as indicated in graph 5.1. the angle at which the steady state power limit for a parallel a.c.-d.c. system occurs is reduced and is about  $75^\circ$  in this case whereas it was  $90^\circ$  in the case of a simple a.c. system. This decrease is not objectionable from stability point of view because quite a good amount of power can be transmitted by having an effective control of inverter firing. It will not be superfluous to say that in d.c. system inverter advance firing angle serves the same purpose as torque angle in a.c. systems.

When d.c. power is increased, terminal voltage at inverter end tends to fall and there comes the need to supply more reactive power. Therefore it can be noted here that in order to improve steady state stability of a parallel a.c. d.c. system, an adequate amount of reactive power supply is necessary. Synchronous condenser or static capacitors if exist, their capacity

increased. This is equivalent to reduction of series reactance in case of a.c. systems.

### 6.3. TRANSIENT STABILITY: <sup>(12,13,14,15)</sup>

Unlike in a.c., no simple method such as equal area criterion, to find transient power limit, is applicable for d.c. transmission. It is therefore difficult to predict the amount of power that can successfully be transmitted by a d.c. link. Further, the power carrying capacity of a d.c. link is limited only by the thermal rating of terminal equipments.

It has not yet been possible to give analytical expression to analyse the transient stability limit of a parallel a.c. and d.c. system. If we simplify the approach and assume that in a parallel system both a.c. and d.c. link will operate independent of each other, following explanation can however be given. In a combined system both a.c. and d.c. links are sharing load. Power angle characteristics of a.c. link will be sinusoidal and from equal area criterion, it can be found out that what is the transient power limit ( $P_m$ ) for a.c. line for initial power level  $P_1$ . (where  $P_1$  is a power delivered by a.c. line in a combined system) It may be noted that lower the value of  $P_1$ , greater is the transient stability because torque angle delta, ( $\delta$ ), has got then more wide range of swing.

In a.c. system the restriction on transient stability is in fact because higher is the initial power, angle  $\delta$  has lesser range of swing and more chances for machines to go out of step. Therefore in order to maintain stable operation under transient conditions, it is desirable that initially a.c. power level is kept low and d.c. is given a larger portion of load to share.

share. Under such conditions when initial power level is low if there comes a sudden load increase, the torque angle of a.c. system can have a wide range of variation to meet this increased load, thereby reducing the chance to loose stability. From graph 5.1. of Chapter 5, the characteristic of parallel a.c. and d.c. system, show that a.c. is taking only a small portion of load and most of the load is met by the d.c. line and this makes the system more stable.

#### 6.4. BEHAVIOUR OF SYSTEM UNDER FAULT CONDITIONS <sup>(110)</sup>

A system behaviour under fault conditions can be studied by considering a three-phase fault on the a.c. line, at receiving end. The voltage at the fault point reduces and transmitted power drops. A.C. power will be reduced considerably and the system may tend towards instability. Because of the reduced voltage at inverter end d.c. power will also be reduced. However, the d.c. power can be maintained to a higher level by controlling the switching angle of inverter. Variation of power with inverter switching angle is shown in Figure 5.3.

#### 6.5. EFFECT OF PRESENCE OF D.C. LINE ON A.C. FAULT CURRENT

We shall now consider the effect of presence of d.c. line on a.c. fault current when a fault occurs on the a.c. side of inverter as shown in figure 6.2. The fault is fed by the current from d.c. line, generator and static capacitor. The right hand portion to the fault does not affect the analysis and hence it can be neglected.

Writing equation for current at no c I.

$$I_2 \angle \phi - jX_0 I_2 = \frac{E_1 - V}{Z} = \frac{E}{Z} \dots \dots 6-1$$

REDUCTION OF FAULT CURRENT WITH  
CURRENT IN DC LINK

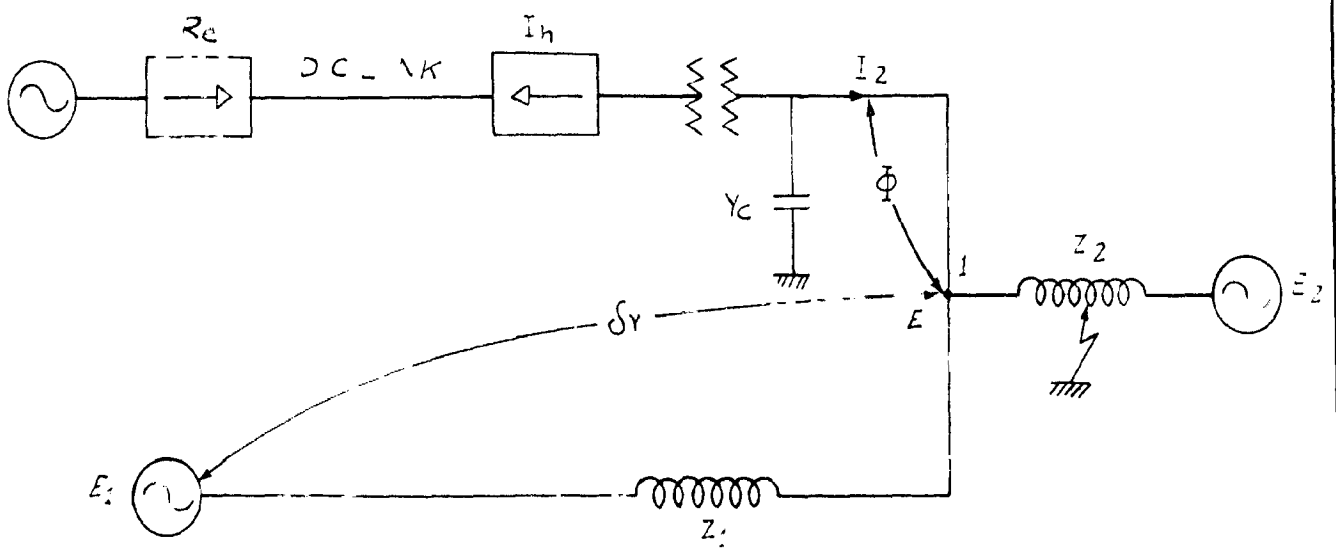
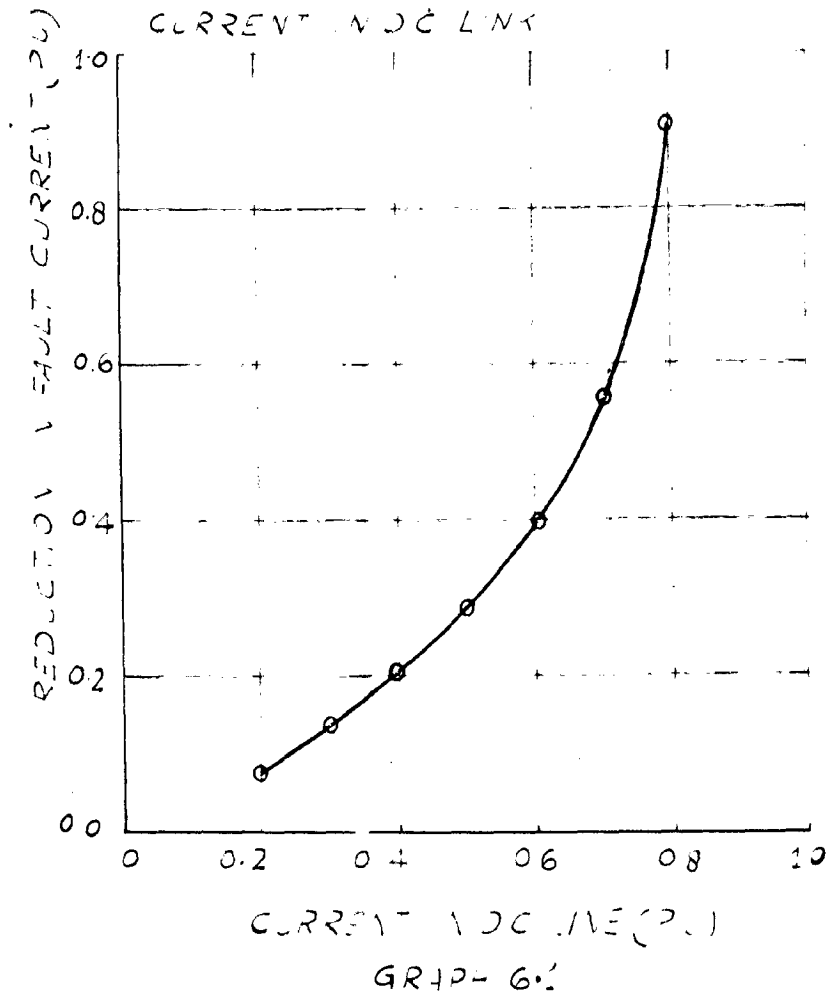


FIGURE 6.2



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neglecting resistance,

$$Z_1 = X_1 \text{ \& } Z_2 = X_2$$

$$I_2 \angle \phi - j Y_0 E + \frac{E_1 - E}{jX_1} = \frac{E}{jX_2} \quad (6.2.)$$

equating real and imaginary parts on both the sides:-

$$j I_2 \sin \phi - j Y_0 E + \frac{E_1 \cos \delta_r - E}{jX_1} = \frac{E}{jX_2}$$

$$-X_2 I_2 \sin \phi + X_2 Y_0 E + E_1 \frac{X_2}{X_1} \cos \delta_r - \frac{E X_2}{X_1} = E$$

$$-X_2 I_2 \sin \phi + E_1 \frac{X_2}{X_1} \cos \delta_r = E \left( 1 + \frac{X_2}{X_1} - Y_0 X_2 \right)$$

$$\frac{-X_2 I_2 \sin \phi + E_1 \frac{X_2}{X_1} \cos \delta_r}{X_1} = \frac{E (X_1 + X_2 - Y_0 X_1 X_2)}{X_1}$$

$$I_2 = \frac{X_2 \cos \delta_r - X_1 I_2 \sin \phi}{X_1 + X_2 - X_1 X_2 Y_0} \quad (6.3)$$

Equating real parts of equation 6.2.

$$I_2 \cos \phi + \frac{E_1}{X_1} \sin \delta_r = 0$$

$$\sin \delta_r = - \frac{X_1 I_2 \cos \phi}{E_1} \quad (6.4.)$$

To calculate fault current, we divide eqn. 6.3. by  $X_2$ .

$$\left( \text{since fault current} = \frac{E}{X_2} \right)$$

fault current

$$I_f = \frac{I_1 \cos \delta_r - X_1 I_2 \sin \phi}{X_1 + X_2 - Y_0 X_1 X_2} \quad (6.5.)$$

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Equation 6.5. gives the fault current with d.c. link present

Fault current with d.c. link (i.e. when  $I_2 = 0$ ) =  $I_{f1}$

$$I_{f1} = \frac{E_1}{X_1 + X_2 - Y_0 X_1 X_2} \quad \dots 6.6.$$

Comparing equation 6.5 and 6.6,

$(I_{f1} - I_f) =$  {fault current without d.c. - fault current with d.c. }

$$= \frac{E_1 - E_1 \cos \delta r + X_1 I_2 \sin \phi}{X_1 + X_2 - Y_0 X_1 X_2}$$

$$= \frac{E_1 (1 - \cos \delta r) + X_1 I_2 \sin \phi}{X_1 + X_2 - Y_0 X_1 X_2} \quad (6.7)$$

Now if  $(I_{f1} - I_f) > 0$

This indicates that fault current is reduced with the presence of d.c. link.

Example: let us assume the following system as shown in Figure 6.2 with the parameters as given:

Assuming  $Z_1$  &  $Z_2$  are purely inductive

$E_1 = 1.15$  p.u.

$X_1 = 1.5$  p.u.

$X_2 = 0.25$  p.u.

$\sin \phi = 0.3$

$\cos \phi = 0.953$

$C = 5.7$   $\mu F$

Frequency = 50 C/S

$Y_0 = 0.356$  p.u.

$$2\pi f = 314$$

$$\omega C = \frac{314 \times 5.7 \times 10^{-6}}{1}$$

$$\frac{1}{\omega C} = \frac{1}{314 \times 5.7 \times 200 \times 10^{-6}}$$

$$\omega C = 0.358$$

$$Y_C = 0.358 \text{ p.u.}$$

From equation 6.4,  $\cos \delta_r = \frac{-X_1 I_2}{E_1} \cos \phi$

$$= 1.245 I_2$$

Using equation 6.7 to calculate

$$(I_{g1} - I_g) = \frac{E_1(1 - \cos \delta_r) + X_1 I_2 \sin \phi}{X_1 + X_2 - Y_C X_1 X_2}$$

Substituting values,

$$(I_{g1} - I_g) = \frac{1.15(1 - \cos \delta_r) + 1.5 \times 0.3 \times I_2}{(1.75 - 0.124)}$$

$$= \frac{1.15(1 - \cos \delta_r) + 0.45 I_2}{1.626}$$

Calculations have been made for the assumed system of figure 6.2

Results are tabulated in table 1 and plotted on graph 6.1

It is seen that as current in d.c. link increases, more reduction in fault current is observed. This is in favour of making interconnections by d.c. link.

### 6.6. STABILITY OF INVERTER

Working principle and fundamental relations of inverter operation can be formed in reference (1228). However, it will not be out of place to give here some salient features due to which instability of inverter comes to the picture.

The operation of rectifiers at an angle greater than  $90^\circ$  gives rise to inversion process. The power in this case is fed from d.c. line to a.c. system provided that the proper excitation at a.c. end is available. Thus, for operation of a converter as inverter, d.c. supply is essential. During process of inversion, inverters need reactive power for successful operation. Reactive power requirements for inversion have been discussed in Chapter 3. Besides reactive power requirements, firing angle of inverter also influences stability of inverter. Dependence of voltage, current and power flow on firing angle has been brought out in Chapter 4.

From stability point of view, it can be mentioned here that during normal operation inverters are operated with as small firing angle as possible to keep the reactive power demands to a minimum. The operating experience in d.c. project has shown that a switching angle upto  $60^\circ$  can be comfortably accommodated in practice. A switching angle beyond  $60^\circ$  gives rise to excessively high reactive power requirements and there is possibility of inversion instability.

There is also limitation of minimum value of firing angle. When firing angle falls below the minimum value of about  $10^\circ$ , grid loses control and the inverter fails to operate. For successful operation of inverter, this minimum value of firing angle should be large enough to allow time for proper deionization of the valve before the next cycle of operation starts. Generally the deionization angle is about  $7^\circ$  to  $10^\circ$  depending on particular type of valve. For stable inverter operation, it is essential that this minimum value of angle is always ensured so that grid control is effectively exercised.

Two types of control, namely constant current and constant firing angle control are used to control the d.c. power flow in the line. In the system where constant firing angle control is used, there are more chances to get instability, because in such types of systems for a load flow at constant voltage, firing angle is fixed. If due to increase of load current there is fall in voltage, both the changes will tend to increase the overlap angle. As a result deionisation angle  $\delta$  will decrease according to following law:-

$$\beta = \delta + \gamma$$

under normal conditions, the fluctuations in  $\gamma$  are small and possibility of instability can be ignored. It has been shown<sup>(16)</sup> that due to reversal of inverter this angle is changed and stability problems may arise therefore.

THE BEST WAY TO PREVENT FAILURE OF INVERTERS<sup>(16)</sup> - The simplest and easiest way to prevent failure of inverters is to provide a larger value of firing angle  $\beta$  such that deionisation angle  $\delta$  never falls below the value required for the valve to get deionised before the next cycle of operation starts. Of course, this method gives a larger consumption of reactive power but the failure of valve is prevented. Greater is the firing angle, more is the possibility of a valve to remain stable under transient load fluctuations. In other words the safety of inverter operation is improved at the cost of reactive power.

### 6.7. CONCLUSIONS

On the basis of discussions carried out in this chapter, we can conclude that :-

1. Steady state power limit of a parallel a.c. and d.c. system is much more higher than the system without

1. d.c. link or with d.c. link replaced by a.c. link of the same capacity.
  2. The torque angle at which the maximum power in a combined system occurs is less than  $90^\circ$ .
  3. Transient stability can be improved if d.c. line carries a major portion of load.
  4. More is initial d.c. power, more transient stability is improved. In other words, d.c. power acts as 'damping device' under transient conditions. Therefore it will be helpful towards stability if d.c. line is made to share a larger portion of load.
  5. Larger capacity of reactive power available, will mean a more stable system.
  6. Under fault conditions, as has been seen in section 6.5, if d.c. link is present, the fault current is reduced. This reduction of fault current becomes larger and larger as power delivered by d.c. line increases.
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TABLE - 1

REDUCTION OF PAIR CURRENT WITH CURRENT IS D.C. LINE

$I_2$ D.U.	.2	.3	.4	.5	.6	.7	.8	.9
8th Sr	.249	.379	.499	.623	.747	.873	.995	
$1.15(1-\cos\delta)$	.1265	.219	.333	.475	.657	.897	1.47	
$(I_1 - I_2)$ pu.	.0784	.135	.206	.294	.406	.556	.91	

## A VARIATION OF A SIMPLE A.C. AND D.C. SYSTEM

Some of the main advantages of combined a.c. and d.c. system on the basis of work done, are listed here:

1. Parallel a.c. and d.c. is the simplest form of system towards interconnection. In a system, insertion of only one d.c. link will form this system. It does not involve much cost also as would be necessary to convert whole of the existing system into d.c. one.
2. Two a.c. systems which have different frequencies can be interconnected by means of a d.c. tie line, as d.c. tie line is an asynchronous link. So frequency difference does not matter here.
3. It is seen from power flow characteristic of a parallel system that if a d.c. link is inserted in parallel with a.c. link, the power received at the receiving end is increased highly. Table below gives a comparative study of maximum power transmitted for different types of systems.

### Comparison of different system

Type of system	Max. Power Transmitted
Single Circuit a.c. system	0.66 p.u.
Double Circuit a.c. system	1.02 p.u.
A.C./D.C. parallel system	3.046 p.u.



It is obvious that parallel (combined) a.c. d.c. system will increase steady state power limit to a much higher level. This much increase in power level was not possible by a.c. single or double circuit system.

4. Under transient conditions, the effective control of d.c. power flow can be employed to raise stability limit. This is because of the fact that d.c. power can be changed more promptly simply by exercising the control of firing angles. It is also noted that greater the initial d.c. power, more improvement in stability is observed.
  5. In a.c. interconnected system, the fault current increases as number of interconnections increase. But if a d.c. link is introduced in the neighbourhood, the fault current is reduced. This reduction in fault current is proportional to the loading of d.c. line.
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In the work done, an attempt has been made to discuss some important aspects of d.c. transmission. A brief summary of background and present status of the problem has been given. A method based on the theory given by Dr. T. Horigome of Electrotechnical Laboratory, Japan, to analyse the d.c. system, has been adopted. A parallel a.c. and d.c. system has been considered and analytical equations have been derived for such a system.

The reactive power requirements of invertors vary with load conditions and system parameters. Effect of various system parameters on reactive power demand has been studied and it has been found that for light loads at high power factor, reactive power is not considerable and can be easily met by the system, but when invertors have to be rated for large power and load has a poor power factor, considerable amount of reactive power is needed for successful system operation.

Different methods to meet the reactive power demand already in use, have been discussed for comparative study and suitability under different circumstances. D.C. power flow has been studied under different conditions. A parallel a.c. and d.c. system has been taken as an example and its power angle characteristics have been calculated. The results obtained are of vital importance because it is seen therefrom that when an a.c. line is paralleled by a d.c. line, the power transmission capacity of a system is increased. Limiting ratio of a.c. and d.c. power for stability has been calculated and it is observed that in a parallel system a.c. takes only a small portion of load whereas d.c. line shares

a major portion of load.

Stability studies have shown that steady state power level is increased highly by paralleling a.c. line with d.c. line, but the limiting value of torque angle is less than  $90^\circ$ . Effect of presence of d.c. link has been carried out. In a system, fault current increases as the number of a.c. interconnections increases. If interconnection is made by using a d.c. link, then for fault at the load, the a.c. fault current is reduced. This reduction is proportional to the loading of d.c. line (i.e. larger load d.c. line shares more in the reduction in a.c. fault current). Therefore considerable improvement in stability is expected.

Stability of inverter has also been discussed and it is found that for successful operation of inverter there should be adequate supply, of reactive power as well as inverter firing angle  $\beta$  should not fall below a certain value of angle, required to deionise a valve.

Studies made here are important from the point of view that these show the results in favour of possible use of a parallel a.c. and d.c. system.

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