Damping Inter -Area Electromechanical Oscillation In Two-Area Electrical Power System Using Power System Stabilizer.

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Abstract:

In this paper a Delta- Omega Power system stabilizer (PSS) is used to damp the inter – area electromechanical oscillation, the simulated system consists of two fully symmetrical areas linked together by two 230 KV tie lines of 300 Km length. Each area is equipped with one identical round rotor generators rated 20 KV/900 MVA. The synchronous machines have identical parameters, in addition to a DC exciters with a gain of 200. The load is represented as constant impedances and split between the areas in such a way that area 1 is exporting 40 MW to area 2. The reference load – flow with Machine 1 (G1) is considered the slack machine and machine 2 (G2) is considered the voltage controlling (PV bus). The simulated system before the disturbance was stressed due to the loading effect of the constant impedances which are applied by the system, so this stressed steady state operating point has caused synchronous machines to undergo electromechanical oscillation (hunting). Simulation results showed that the stabilizer displayed a good performance during large perturbations. The system responses to a three-phase fault cleared in 8 cycles by opening the circuit breakers of the faulted tie line is simulated by Matlab Simulink environment.

Keyword: PSS, inter-area oscillation, synchronous generator, perturbation.

إخماد الاهتزاز الكهروميكانيكى البين المناطقى لمنظومة قدره كهربائية مكونه من منطقتين باستعمال مثبت القدرة. مم. عادل رضا عثمان قسم الهندسة الكهروميكانيكيه / الجامعة التكنولوجية

الخلاصة:

في هذا البحث تم استخدام مثبت قدره كهربائيه لتخفيف الاهتزاز الكهروميكانيكى البين مناطقى. المنظومه التى تم محاكاتها تتكون من منطقتين متماثلتين مربوطتين مع بعضهما بواسطة خطى نقل بطول 300 كم و فرق جهد 230 الف فولت. كل منطقه مجهزه بمولد تزامنى سعة 20 الف فولت/900 مليون فولت امبير. وهذه المولدات لها نفس الثوابت، بالإضافه الى الاثاره من نوع التيار المستمر ذات ربح مفروض مقداره 200. الحمل المربوط على هذه المنظومه تم تمثيله بواسطة ممانعتين موزعتين على هاتين المنطقتين بطريقه بحيث ان المنطقه الاولى تصدر طاقه مقدارها 40 مليون وات الى المنطقه الثانيه. فى حساب سريان الحمل لهذه المنظومه تم اعتبار الماكنه في المنطقه رقم 1 هى السائبه و الماكنه في النطقه الثانيه كمنظم جهد. المنظومه فى الحاله المستقره عليها اقصى تحميل ممكن ان تتحمله هذه المنظومه مما ادى الى وقوعها تحت تاثير الاهتزاز الكهروميكانيكى. تحت هذه الظروف التشغيليه تم تمثيل وقوع خطا ثلاثى الطور على واحد من خطى النقل لهذه المنظومه والذى تم ازالته بعد مرور 8 دورات. المحاكاة بينت ان المثبت كان ادائه جيدا اثناء الحالات الطارئه الكبيره.

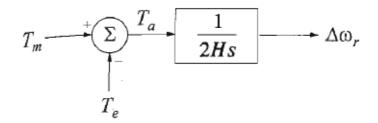
1. Introduction

Interconnected power systems are complex nonlinear dynamic systems and these systems may exhibit low frequency power oscillation due to insufficient damping. The oscillation and weak damping may be caused by adverse operating conditions. Inter-area oscillations are associated with the swinging of machines in one part of the system against machines in other regions, this problem can occur when these machines are interconnected by weak tie lines. The natural frequencies of these oscillations are typically in the range of 0.1 to 1 Hz $^{[1]}$. Automatic voltage regulators (AVR) may help to improve the steady state stability of power systems, but are not as useful for maintaining stability during transient conditions. The addition of power system stabilizer (PSS) in the AVR control loop provides the means to damp these oscillations. The added AVR and PSS are designed to act upon local measurements such as bus voltage, generator shaft speed, or the rotor angle of the associated machine^[2]. Power system stabilizer (PSS) can provide a supplementary control signal to the excitation system and/or the speed governor system of the electric generating unit to damp these oscillations. Due to their flexibility, easy implementation, and low cost, PSSs have been extensively studied and successfully used. When a power system under normal load condition suffers a perturbation there is synchronous machine voltage angles rearrangement. If for each perturbation that occurs, an unbalance is created between the system generation and the load, a new operation point will be established and consequently there will be voltage angle adjustments. The system adjustment to its new operation condition is called "transient period" and the system behavior during this period is called "dynamic performance". As a primitive definition, it can be said that the system oscillatory response during the transient period, shortly after the perturbation, is damped and the system goes in a definite time to a new operating condition, so the system is stable. This means that the oscillations are damped ^[3]. In this paper, a case study of a two area power system connected by a two weak tie lines is curried out, the parameters of the tie lines and the loading effects are designed to make the power system to be under the effect of Inter-area oscillation of 0.5 H_{Z} . To provide damping to system oscillation at both of steady state operation and at transient state during and after a large disturbance which is a three phase fault, a power system stabilizer (PSS) is designed and tuned with the excitation system of the synchronous generators. Performance analysis and robustness assessment of the PSS is carried out.

2. Synchronous generator response to load change.

When there is a load change, it is reflected instantaneously as a change in the electrical torque output T_e of the generator. This causes a mismatch between the mechanical torque T_m and the electrical torque which in turn results in speed variations as determined by the equation of motion.

The following transfer function (**Figure 1**) represents the relationship between rotor speed as a function of the electrical and mechanical torque.





- S = Laplace operator
- T_m = Mechanical torque (pu)
- T_e = Electrical torque (pu)
- T_a = Accelerating torque (pu)
- H = Inertia constant (MW-Sec/MVA)
- ΔGD_r = Rotor speed deviation (pu)

Since, in steady state , electrical and mechanical torques are equal, $T_{mo} = T_{eo}$. With speed expressed in p.u., $GD_0 = 1$, hence

 $\Delta \mathbf{P}_{\mathrm{m}} - \Delta \mathbf{P}_{\mathrm{e}} = \Delta \mathbf{T}_{\mathrm{m}} - \Delta \mathbf{T}_{\mathrm{e}} \tag{1}$

The above transfer function can now be expressed in terms of ΔP_m and ΔP_e as follows (**Figure2**):

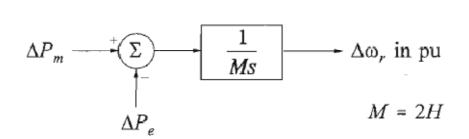


Fig .(2) Transfer function relating speed and power ^[4]

3. Load Response to Frequency Deviation

In general, power system loads are a composite of a variety of electrical devices. For resistive loads, such as lighting and heating loads, the electrical power is independent of frequency. In the case of motor loads, such as fans and pumps, the frequency-dependent characteristic of a composite load may be expressed as

The damping constant is expressed as a percent change in load for one percent change in frequency.

By replacing ΔP_e in (Figure 2) by its equivalent from equation 2, then (Figure 3) is yielding to represent the system block diagram which is including the effect of the load damping.

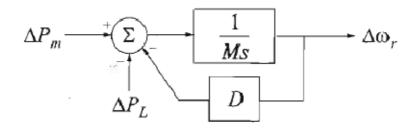
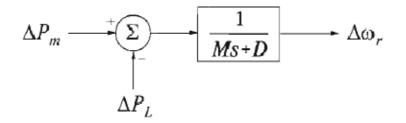


Fig .(3) Transfer function relating speed and power and damping constant ^[4]

This may be reduced to the form shown in (Figure 4)





4. Excitation System

4.1 Voltage transducer and load compensation circuit

The error signal to the excitation system is usually obtained by comparing the desired or reference value to the corresponding rectified value of the controlled ac quantity. The voltage transducer and rectifier are modeled simply by a single time constant with unity gain as shown in (**Figure 5**). Any compensation of the voltage droop caused by the load current using a compensating impedance, $R_c + j X_c$, is modeled by the corresponding voltage magnitude expression.

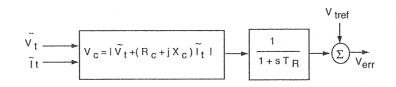


Fig .(5) Voltage transducer and load compensation circuit ^[5]

- \tilde{V}_t = Measured generator terminal complex voltage
- \tilde{I}_t = Measured generator complex armature current
- V_C = Magnitude of the compensated voltage
- $T_R =$ Voltage transducer time constant
- V_{err} = Voltage input to the excitation system
- $V_{ref} = Reference voltage$

4.2 Automatic voltage regulator (AVR)

The regulator section typically consists of an error amplifier with limiters. Its gain versus frequency characteristic usually can be approximated quite well by the transfer function blocks shown in (**Figure 6**). Some degree of transient gain reduction (series lag-lead network) can be achieved using a compensator that has a $T_C < T_B$. Also shown in figure 6 at the input of the regulator are the stabilizer feedback signal, V_F , and the supplementary signal, V_{supp} , from power system stabilizer, these two signals will be explained in next sections. Figure.6 also shows the transfer function block of the amplifier which may be magnetic, rotating, or electronic type. The amplifier output is limited by saturation or power supply limitations, this is represented by limits V_{Rmax} and V_{Rmin} .

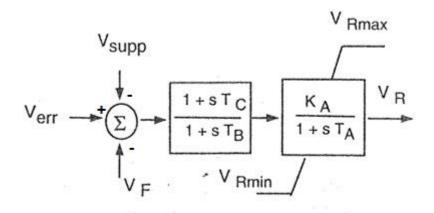


Fig .(6) Regulator amplifier ^[5]

Where

 K_A = Amplifier gain T_A = Time constant associated with the regulator V_R = Output signal from the regulator

4.3 DC exciter

The output signal from the regulator must be amplified by the exciter before it has the necessary power and range to excite the field winding of a large synchronous generator. The model of a dc exciter includes the field winding, magnetic nonlinearity of the exciter's main field path, and the armature. The armature winding usually has a small number of turns compared to the field winding, as such, the small resistance and inductance of the armature winding are often neglected. The dc exciter may be represented in block diagram form as shown in (**Figure 7**), the input voltage (E_{ef}) is the regulator output(V_R). The output voltage E_x of a dc exciter is directly applied to the field of the synchronous machine (E_{FD}). The adjustment of exciter field resistance affects K_E as well as the saturation function $S_E(E_x)$ but not the integration time T_E of the forward loop.

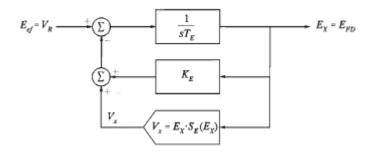


Fig .(7) Block diagram of a dc exciter ^[4]

4.4 Stabilizer

The role of the stabilizer shown in (**Figure 8**) is to provide the needed phase advance to achieve the proper gain and phase margins in the open-loop frequency response of the regulator /exciter loop. Stabilizers are used in two situations : one is to enable a higher regulator gain in off-line operations by compensating for the large time constant of the exciter, and the other is to counter the negative damping introduced by a high initial response excitation system in on-line operation.

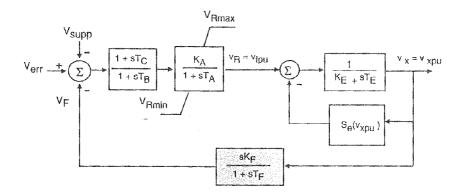


Fig .(8) Stabilizer for the regulator /exciter loop ^[5]

5. Power system stabilizer

When it is apparent that the action of some voltage regulators could result in negative damping of the electromechanical oscillations below the full power transfer capability, power system stabilizer (PSS) were introduced as a means to enhance damping through the modulation of the generator's excitation so as to extend the power transfer limit. In power system applications, the oscillation frequency may be as low as 0.1 Hertz between areas, to perhaps as high as 5 Hertz for smaller units oscillating in the local mode. Since the purpose of the PSS is to introduce a damping torque component of electrical torque in phase with the rotor speed deviation, so the signal input to the PSS which is used to control the generator excitation is the speed deviation ΔGD_r ^[5].

(Figure 9) shows the main circuit components of a power system stabilizer, it consists of the following parts:

- 1. A wash out circuit for reset action to eliminate steady offset. The value of T_w is usually not critical, as long as the frequency response contribution from this part does not interfere with the phase compensation over the critical frequency range. It can range from 0.5 to 10 seconds.
- 2. The two stages of phase compensation have compensation center frequency of $1/(2pi\sqrt{T_1T_2})$ and $1/(2pi\sqrt{T_3}T_4)$.

- 3. A filter section may be added to suppress frequency components in the input signal of the PSS that could excite undesirable interactions.
- 4. K_{STAB} is the stabilizer gain which is determines the amount of damping introduced by PSS.
- 5. Limits (V_{smax} and V_{smin}) are included to prevent the output signal of the power system stabilizer from driving the excitation into heavy saturation.
- 6. The output signal of the power system stabilizer (V_{PSS}) is fed as a supplementary input signal V_{supp} , to the regulator of the excitation system.

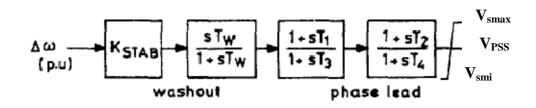
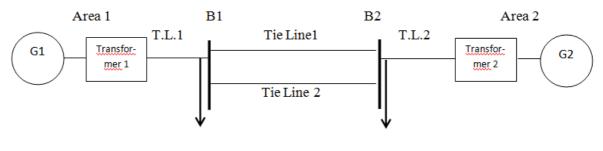


Fig .(9) Power system stabilizer ^[6]

6. Power system simulation design

For the purpose of this paper, the power system shown in (**Figure 10**) is simulated in the Simulink environment of Matlab version 7.6.0.324 (R 2008a) with integration algorithm of ode23tb has been used. The interconnected system consists of two areas connected by two tie lines, each area is represented by an equivalent generating unit exhibiting its overall performance. Such composite model is acceptable since it is not concerned about inter machine oscillation within each area.



Load1 + Power Factor Correction

Load 2 + Power Factor Correction

Fig .(10) The simulated power system

The complete MATLAB simulation model of the power system and the excitation, AVR and the PSS controller is given in appendix A.

The generators, transformers, transmission lines and the loads data are given in appendix B.

6.1 Excitation System simulation design

The implemented excitation system is a DC exciter without the exciter's saturation function. It provides excitation system for synchronous machine and regulate its terminal voltage in generating mode. Referring to **Figure 8**, the following parameters are used to simulate the excitation system:

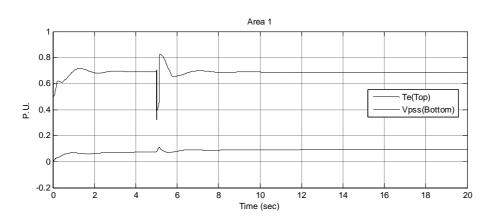
- 1. The terminal voltage transducer circuitry is represented by time constant (T_R) necessary for filtering the rectified terminal voltage waveform and this can be in the range of 0.01 to 0.02 seconds, the value which is used in this simulation is 0.02 seconds.
- 2. A high value of (AVR) gain (K_A) is desirable from the view point of transient stability ^[7]. A suitable value for this gain is 200 with no transient gain reduction i.e T_B and T_C are both equal to zero.
- 3. Neglecting saturation of the dc exciter, so $K_E = 1$
- 4. The dc exciter is simulated as separately excited so $T_E = 0$
- 5. Regulator output limits are chosen $V_{Rmin} = 0$ and $V_{Rmax} = 2.5$ p.u.

6.2 Power system stabilizer (PSS) simulation design

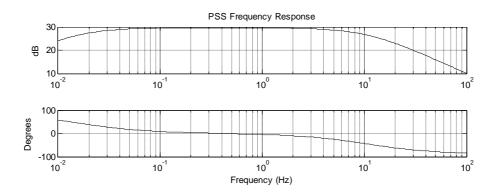
- 1. Referring to figure 9, the PSS gain (K_{STAB}) has an important effect on damping of rotor oscillation. The value of the gain is chosen by examining the effect for a wide range of values. The damping increase with an increase in stabilizer gain up to a certain point beyond which further increase in gain results in a decrease in damping. The power system stabilizer has simulated for values of PSS gain with $K_{STAB} = 30$, and 10.
- 2. Washout is a high pass filter that prevents steady changes in speed from modifying the field voltage. The value of the washout time constant T_W should be high enough to allow signals associated with oscillations in rotor speed to pass unchanged. The value of T_W is not critical and may be anywhere in the range of 1 to 20 seconds. The value of T_W used in this simulation is 10 seconds.
- **3.** The phase lead-lag circuits that required to be used to compensate for the lag between the exciter input V_{PSS} (i.e. PSS output) and the resulting electrical torque T_e, so that the component of electrical torque produced by PSS must be in phase with rotor speed deviation. (**Figure 11**) and (**Figure 12**) each shows the two signals of T_e and V_{PSS} for area 1 and area 2 respectively. And from these two figures it is shown that the two signals T_e and V_{PSS} are approximately in phase during a three phase fault in one of the tie lines that interconnecting the two areas, so the phase lead-lag circuits are not used in this simulation and T₁, T₂, T₃, and T₄ are equale to zero. (**Figure 13**) shows the Bode plot of the PSS.
- 4. The stabilizer limit (V_{smax}) or the positive output limit of the stabilizer is set at a relatively larg value in the range of 0.1 to 1 pu. This allows a high level of contribution from the PSS during large swings. With such a high value of stabilizer output limit, it is essential

to have a means of limiting the generator terminal voltage to its maximum allowable value, typically in the range of 1.12 to 1.15 pu and in this simulation V_{smax} is set to 1 and there was not need to use the generator terminal voltage limiter because it has not exceeded the typical value (i.e. 1.15 pu).

5. The stabilizer limit (V_{smin}) or the negative output limit of the stabilizer -0.05 to - 0.1 pu is appropriate and in this simulation it is set to -0.1.









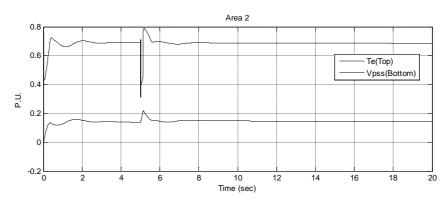
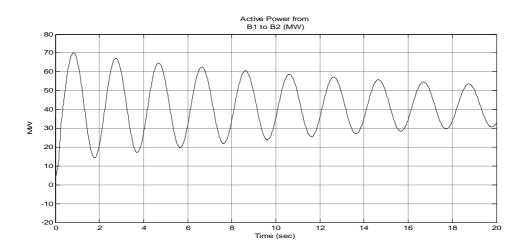


Fig .(13) Bode plot of PSS

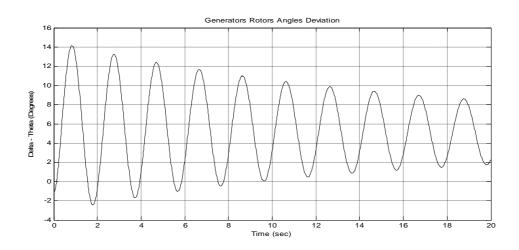
7. Simulation Results and Discussion

7.1 The power system without disturbance and without PSS

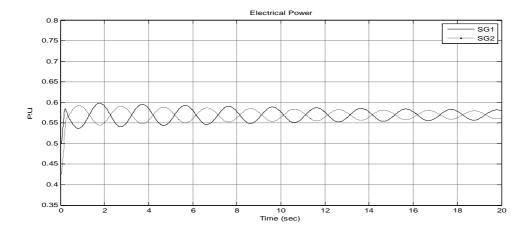
(Figure 14) shows the simulation results for the system which is operating without disturbance and without power system stabilizer (PSS), Figure 14a shows an average power of 40 MW which is exported from area 1 or bus bar 1 (B1) of this system to area 2 or bus bar 2 (B2) with an experiencing of inter-area low frequency oscillation of 0.5 Hz. Figure 14b shows deviation of the power angle between the rotor of synchronous generator 1 in area 1 (SG1) and the rotor of synchronous generator 2 (SG2) in area 2, this torque angle (Delta – Theta) is oscillating at frequency of 0.5 Hz. Figure 14c shows the electrical power produced by SG 1 and SG 2 which also oscillates at frequency of 0.5 Hz. Figure 14d shows the terminal voltages of the two generators which are 1 pu.



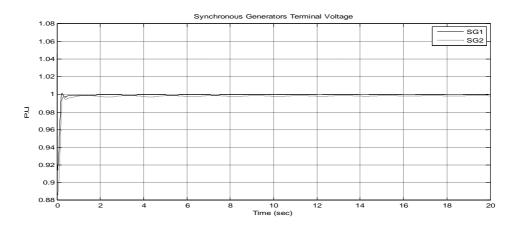
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(b) Rotors angle deviation



(C) Generators electrical output power

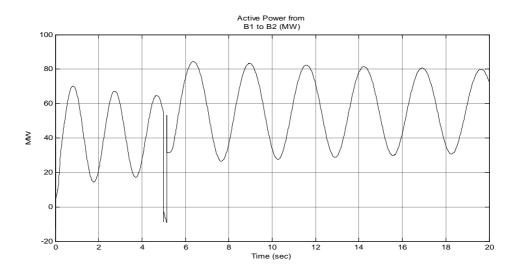


(d) Generators terminal voltages

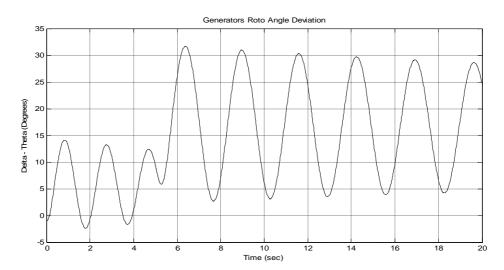
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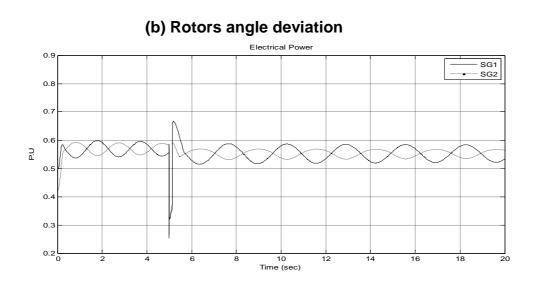
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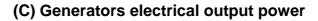
(Figure 15) shows the simulation results with a three phase short circuit incidence at midpoint of one of the two tie lines that interconnecting the two areas, the short circuit incidence at time 5 seconds and continue for 12 cycle of power system frequency, the circuit breakers of the faulted tie line are opened after 8 cycles of the power system frequency. Figure 15a shows that after clearing of the fault the power exported from area 1 to area 2 is still oscillating but with a lower frequency of 0.4 Hz and a higher average value of 60 MW. Figure 15b shows that the torque angle after fault clearing is oscillating at lower frequency (0.4 Hz). Also the synchronous generators electrical power output after fault clearing is oscillating at 0.4 Hz. The terminal voltages of the two generators is 1 p.u. as shown in figure 15c.

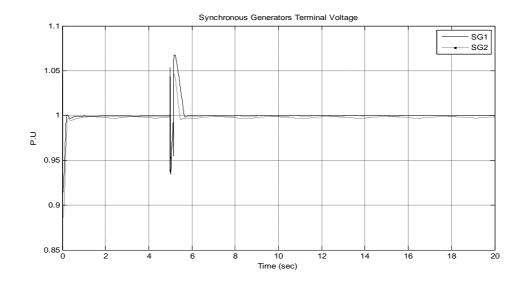










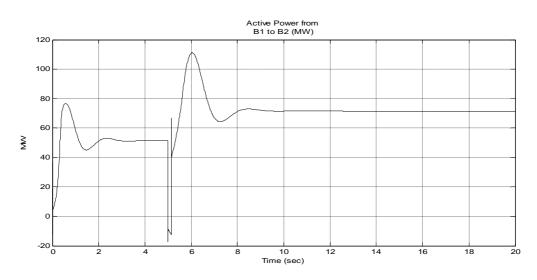


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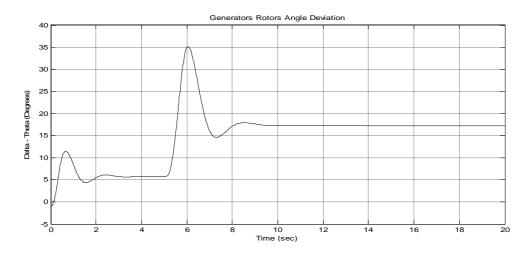
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7.3 The power system with three phase fault and with PSS

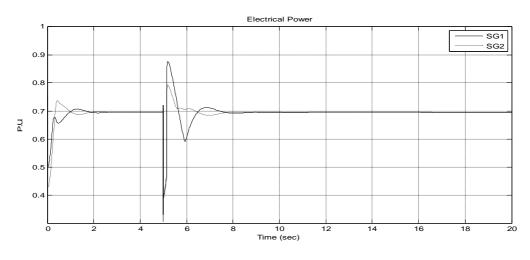
1. (Figure 16) shows the simulation results of the power system with the same fault of section 7.2 but at this time the power system is simulated with a power system stabilizer (PSS) which is using the rotor shaft speed as an input signal. The PSS is simulated with gain (K_{STAB}) = 30 and other parameters as those given in section 6.2. Figure 16a shows that the PSS has damped the inter – area oscillation and the exported power settles to a constant value within 3 seconds after the fault is cleared. Figure 16b and c, also show the oscillation is fully damped for the rotor angle deviation and electrical power output of the generators respectively. Figure 16d shows that the generators terminal voltages is below 1.15 which is stated in ^[4] as a maximum typical terminal voltage.

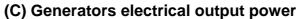












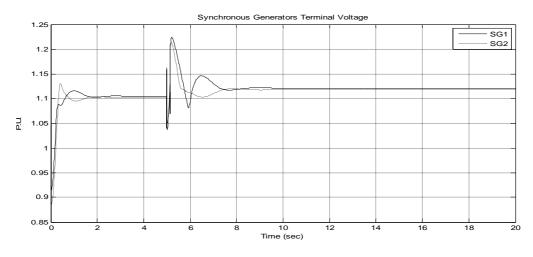
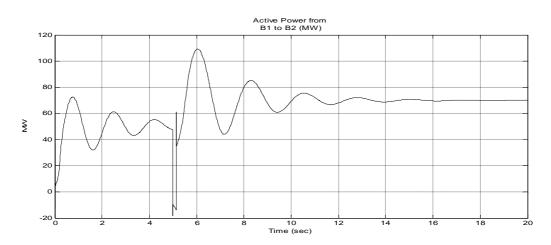
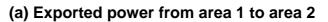


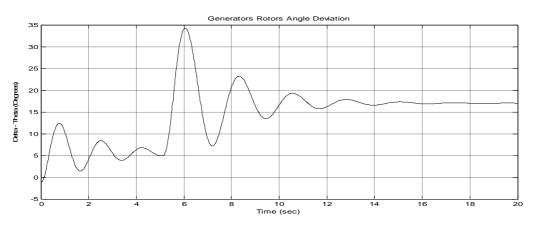


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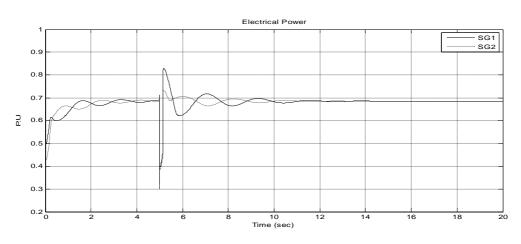
2. The system is simulated as such that shown in (1) above but with different PSS gain i.e. with $K_{STAB} = 10$. (Figure 17 a,b and c) show that the oscillations in exported power from B1 to B2, the torque angle (Delta – Theta) and the synchronous generator electrical power output are damped within 9, 9, and 6 seconds respectively after fault clearing.

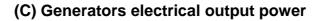


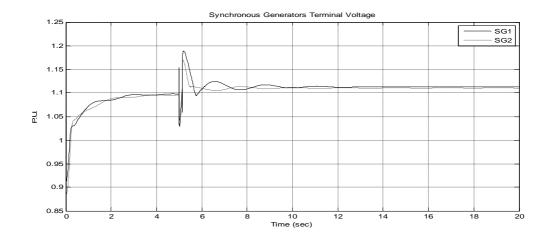








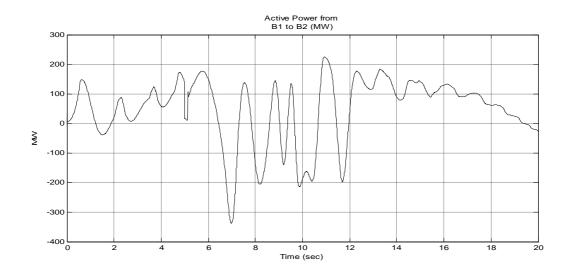




(d) Generators terminal voltages

7.4 The Power System with Three Phase Fault With High Gain PSS.

(Figure 18) shows the simulation results of the power system with the same fault of section 7.2 but at this time the power system is simulated with a power system stabilizer (PSS) with gain (K_{STAB}) = 225 and other parameters as those given in section 6.2. Figure 18a shows that the PSS could not succeeds in restoring the system to stability. Figure 18b and c, also show the oscillation is not damped for the rotor angle deviation and electrical power output of the generators respectively. Figure 18d shows that the generators terminal voltages have exceeded 1.15 which is stated in ^[4] as a maximum typical terminal voltage. So the protection devices of the power system have to operate as soon as possible and stop the generators.



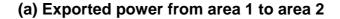
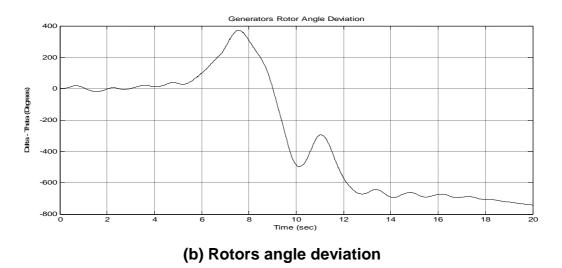
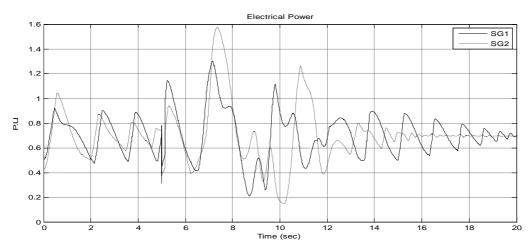
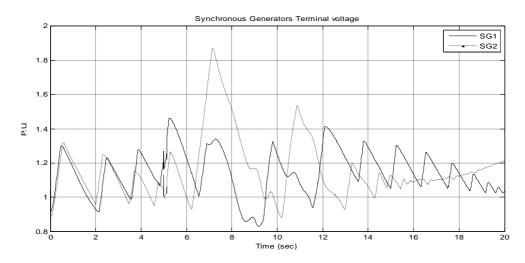


Fig .(17) (a, b, c, and d)





(C)Generators electrical output power



(d) Generators terminal voltages Fig .(18) (a, b, c, and d)

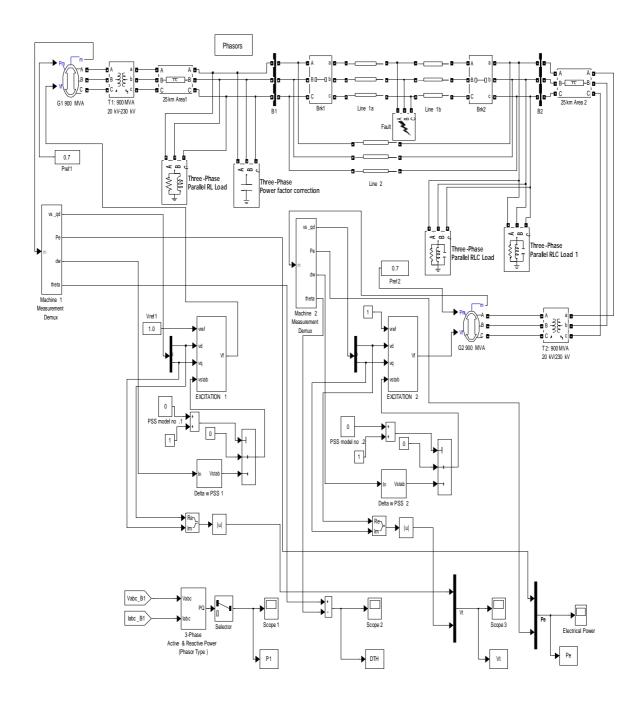
8. Conclusion

- 1. Weak tie lines or long tie lines is a major factor that leads to low frequency oscillation in power system.
- 2. The simulation results of the Delta Omega PSS show that it has fully damped the inter area low frequency oscillation in power system.
- 3. The gain of the PSS affects its damping ability and it determines the rate at which the oscillation decays which is a measure of the damping in power system, a lightly damped system will oscillate for a longer period of time than the moderately or largely damped system.
- 4. Within certain limits, a gain as high as practicable is recommended for best contribution to system damping (as stated in 3 above). While a relation between gain and inertia of the unit could ideally bring about equal sharing in angular swing among the generating units during a system disturbance, this would hold only for the highly idealized condition of all units being equally loaded and responding to PSS control. The high gain may cause the system to be unstable. So The value of the maximum gain which is safely to be used depends upon many factors and it is best determined by test.

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Appendix A



Appendix B

Area 1

Synchronous generator (G1) data:

- 1- 900MVA/20KV, 60 Hz
- 2- Reactances (pu):
 Xd = 1.8, Xd' = 0.3, Xd'' = 0.25, Xq = 1.7, Xq' = 0.55, Xq'' = 0.25, X = 0.2
- **3-** Time constants (sec):
 - $T'_{do} = 8, T''_{do} = 0.03, T'_{qo} = 0.04, T''_{qo} = 0.05$
- 4- Stator resistance (pu) = 0.0025
- **5-** Inertia coefficient (H) = 6.5 sec
- **6-** Friction factor (F) = 0
- **7-** Pole pairs = 1

Transformer 1 data:

- 1- 900MVA/60Hz, D1/Yg
- **2-** primary winding V1 = 20KV, R1 = 1e-6 (pu), L1 = 0
- **3-** Secondary winding V2 = 230KV, R2 = 1e-6 (pu), L2 = 0.15 (pu)
- 4- Magnetization resistance (Rm) = 500 (pu)
- 5- Magnetization reactance (Xm) = 500 (pu)

Transmission Line 1 (T.L.1) data:

- 1- Three phase PI section
- **2-** Frequency = 60 Hz
- 3- Positive and zero sequence resistance (Ω/Km) R₁ = 0.0529, R₀ = 1.61
- 4- Positive and zero sequence inductance (H/Km) $L_1 = 0.0014, L_0 = 0.0061$
- 5- Positive and zero sequence capacitance (F/km) $C_1 = 0.00124, C_0 = 5.2489e-9$
- **6-** line length = 25 Km

Load 1 + power factor correction data:

- **1-** Yg
- 2- Nominal ph to ph voltage $(V_n) = 230 \text{ KV}$
- **3-** Nominal frequency $(f_n) = 60$ (Hz)
- 4- Active power (P) = 800 MW
- 5- Inductive reactive power $(Q_L) = 150 \text{ MVar}$
- 6- Capacitive reactive power factor correction (Q_C) = 150 MVar

Tie line 1 and Tie Line 2 data

- 1- Frequency = 60 Hz
- 2- Positive and zero sequence resistance (Ω/Km) R₁ = 0.0529, R₀ = 1.61
- 3- Positive and zero sequence inductance B1 $L_1 = 0.0014, L_0 = 0.0061$
- 4- Positive and zero sequence capacitance (F/km) $C_1 = 0.00124, C_0 = 5.2489e-9$
- 5- line length = 300 Km

Area 2

Synchronous generator (G2) data: Same as G1

Transformer 2 data: Same as Transformer 1

Transmission Line 2 (T.L.2) data: Same as T.L.1

Load 2 + power factor correction data:

- 1- Yg
- **2-** Nominal ph to ph voltage $(V_n) = 230 \text{ KV}$
- **3-** Nominal frequency $(f_n) = 60$ (Hz)
- 4- Active power (P) = 850 MW
- 5- Inductive reactive power $(Q_L) = 500 \text{ MVar}$
- 6- Capacitive reactive power factor correction $(Q_C) = 50$ MVar