

# ENHANCEMENT OF POWER QUALITY FOR ELECTRIFIED TRANSPORTATION USING SINGLE-PHASE ACTIVE DEVICE WITH FUZZY CONTROLLER

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**ABSTRACT**—A transformerless hybrid series active filter is proposed to enhance the power quality in single-phase systems with critical loads. This paper assists the energy management and power quality issues related to electric transportation and focuses on improving electric vehicle load connection to the grid. The control strategy is designed to prevent current harmonic distortions of nonlinear loads to flow into the utility and corrects the power factor of this later. Here we are using the fuzzy controller compared to other controllers i.e. The fuzzy controller is the most suitable for the human decision-making mechanism, providing the operation of an electronic system with decisions of experts. While protecting sensitive loads from voltage disturbances, sags, and swells initiated by the power system, ridded of the series transformer, the configuration is advantageous for an industrial implementation. This polyvalent hybrid topology allowing the harmonic isolation and compensation of voltage distortions could absorb or inject the auxiliary power to the grid. Aside from practical analysis, this paper also investigates on the influence of gains and delays in the real-time controller stability. using the fuzzy controller for a nonlinear system allows for a reduction of uncertain effects in the system control and improve the efficiency. The simulations results presented in this paper which is demonstrating the effectiveness of the proposed topology.

**Index Terms**—Current harmonics, electric vehicle, hybrid series active filter (HSeAF), power quality, Fuzzy logic control, real-time control, Fuzzy logic.

## I. INTRODUCTION

The forecast of future Smart Grids associated with electric vehicle charging stations has created a serious concern on all aspects of power quality of the power system, while widespread electric vehicle battery charging units [1], [2] have detrimental effects on power distribution system harmonic voltage levels [3]. On the other hand, the growth of harmonics fed from nonlinear loads like electric vehicle propulsion battery chargers [4], [5], which indeed have detrimental impacts on the power system and affect plant equipment, should be considered in the development of modern grids. Likewise, the increased rms and peak value of the distorted current waveforms increase heating and losses and cause the failure of the electrical equipment. Such phenomenon effectively

reduces system efficiency and should have properly been addressed [6], [7].

Moreover, to protect the point of common coupling (PCC) from voltage distortions, using a dynamic voltage restorer (DVR) function is advised. A solution is to reduce the pollution of power electronics-based loads directly at their source. Although several attempts are made for a specific case study, a generic solution is to be explored. There exist two types of active power devices to overcome the described power quality issues. The first category are series active filters (SeAFs), including hybrid-type ones. They were developed to eliminate current harmonics produced by nonlinear load from the power system. SeAFs are less scattered than the shunt type of active filters [8], [9]. The advantage of the SeAF compared to the shunt type is the inferior rating of the compensator versus the load nominal rating [10].

However, the complexity of the configuration and necessity of an isolation series transformer had decelerated their industrial application in the distribution system. In this paper, a single-phase transformerless HSeAF is proposed and capable of cleaning up the grid-side connection bus bar from current harmonics generated by a nonlinear load [15]. With a smaller rating up to 10%, it could easily replace the shunt active filter [16]. Furthermore, it could restore a sinusoidal voltage at the load PCC.

The advantage of the proposed configuration is that nonlinear harmonic voltage and current producing loads could be effectively compensated. The transformer less hybrid series active filter (HSeAF) is an alternative option to conventional power transferring converters in distributed generation systems with high penetration of renewable energy sources, where each phase can be controlled separately and could be operated independently of other phases [17]. This paper shows that the separation of a three-phase converter into single-phase H-bridge converters has allowed the elimination of the costly isolation transformer and promotes industrial application for filtering purposes. The setup has shown great ability to perform requested compensating tasks for the

correction of current and voltage distortions, PF correction, and voltage restoration on the load terminal [18].

### SYSTEM ARCHITECTURE

#### A. System Configuration

The THSeAF shown in Fig. 1 is composed of an H-bridge converter connected in series between the source and the load. A shunt passive capacitor ensures a low impedance path for current harmonics.

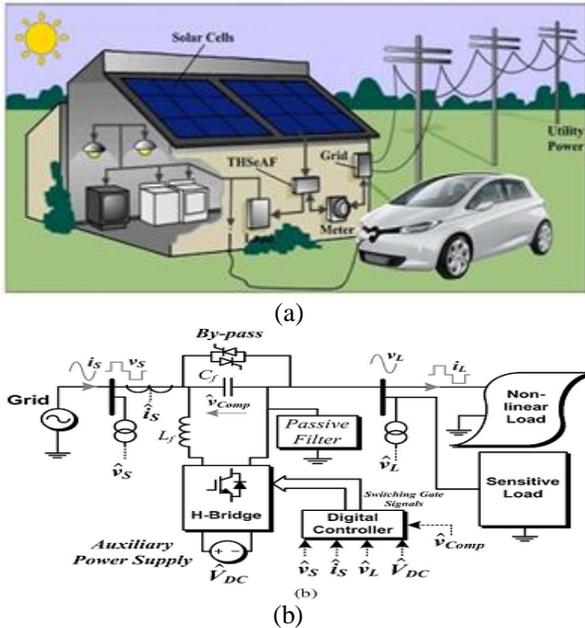


Fig. 1. (a) Schematic of a single-phase smart load with the compensator installation. (b) Electrical diagram of the THSeAF in a single-phase utility.

The system parameters are identified in Table I. A variable source of 120 Vrms is connected to a 1.1-kVA nonlinear load and a 998-VA linear load with a 0.46 PF.

TABLE I: CONFIGURATION PARAMETERS

Symbol	Definition	Value
$v_s$	Line phase-to-neutral voltage	120 Vrms
$f$	System frequency	60 Hz
$R_{non-linear load}$	Load resistance	11.5 $\Omega$
$L_{non-linear load}$	Load inductance	20 mH
$P_L$	Linear load power	1 kVA
PF	Linear load power factor	46 %
$L_f$	Switching ripple filter inductance	5 mH
$C_f$	Switching ripple filter capacitance	2 $\mu$ F
$T_S$	dSPACE Synchronous sampling time	40 $\mu$ s
$f_{PWM}$	PWM frequency	5 kHz
$G$	Control gain for current harmonics	8 $\Omega$
$V_{DCref}^*$	VSI DC bus voltage of the THSeAF	70 V
$PI_G$	Proportional gain ( $K_p$ ), Integral gain ( $K_i$ )	0.025(4*), 10 (10*)

THSeAFs are often used to compensate distortions of the current type of nonlinear loads. For instance, the distorted current and voltage waveforms of the nonlinear system during normal operation and when the source voltage became distorted are depicted in Fig. 2. The THSeAF is bypassed, and current harmonics flowed directly into the grid. As one can perceive, even during normal operation, the current harmonics (with a total harmonic distortion (THD) of 12%) distort the PCC, resulting in a voltage THD of 3.2%. The behavior of the system when the grid is highly polluted with 19.2% of THD is also illustrated.

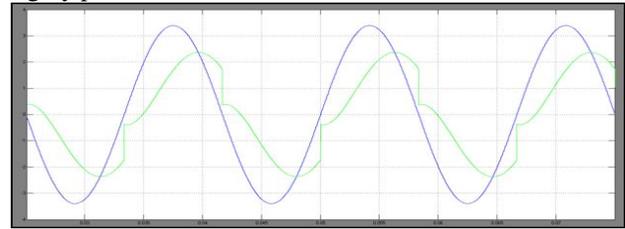


Fig. 2. Terminal voltage and current waveforms of the 2-kVA singlephase system without compensator. (a) Regular operation.

TABLE II: SINGLE-PHASE COMPARISON OF THE THSeAF TO PRIOR HSeAFs

Definition	Proposed THSeAF	[21]	[22]	[12]
Injection Transformer	Non	2 per phase	1 per phase	1 per phase
# of semiconductor devices	4	8	4	4
# of DC link storage elements	1+Aux. Pow.	1	2	1+Aux. Pow.
AF rating to the load power	10-30%	10-30%	10-30%	10-30%
Size and weight, regarding the transformer, power switches, drive circuit, heat sinks, etc.	The Lowest	High	Good	Good
Industrial production costs	The Lowest	High	Low	Low
Power losses, including switching, conducting, and fixed losses	Low	Better	Low	Low
Reliability regarding independent operation capability	Good	Low	Good	Good
Harmonic correction of Current source load	Good	Good	Good	Low
Voltage Harmonic correction at load terminals	Good	Better	Good	Good
Power factor correction	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Power injection to the grid	Yes	No	No	Yes

The proposed configuration could be solely connected to the grid with no need of a bulky and costly series injection transformer, making this topology capable of compensating source current harmonics and voltage distortion at the PCC. Even if the number of switches has increased, the transformerless configuration is more cost-effective than any other series compensators, which generally uses a transformer to inject the compensation voltage to the power grid. The optimized passive filter is composed of 5th, 7th, and high-pass filters. The passive filter should be adjusted for the system upon

load and government regulations. A comparison between different existing configurations is given in Table II. It is aimed to point out the advantages and disadvantages of the proposed configuration over the conventional topologies.

To emphasize the comparison table fairly, the equivalent single phase of each configuration is considered in the evaluation. Financial production evaluation demonstrated a 45% reduction in component costs and considerable reduction in assembly terms as well.

### B. Operation Principle

The SeAF represents a controlled voltage source (VSI). In order to prevent current harmonics  $i_{Lh}$  to drift into the source, this series source should present low impedance for the fundamental component and high impedance for all harmonics as shown in Fig. 3. The principle of such modeling is well documented in [20]. The use of a well-tuned passive filter is then mandatory to perform the compensation of current issues and maintaining a constant voltage free of distortions at the load terminals. The behavior of the SeAF for a current control approach is evaluated from the phasor's equivalent circuit shown in Fig. 3. The nonlinear load could be modeled by a resistance representing the active power consumed and a current source generating current harmonics. Accordingly, the impedance  $Z_L$  represents the nonlinear load and the inductive load.

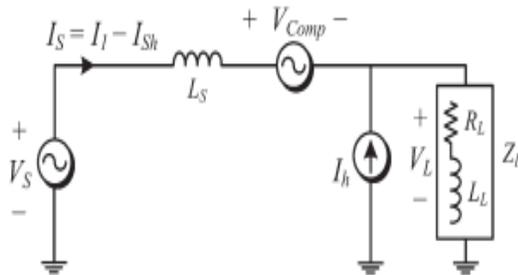


Fig. 3. THSeAF equivalent circuit for current harmonics

The SeAF operates as an ideal controlled voltage source ( $V_{comp}$ ) having a gain ( $G$ ) proportional to the current harmonics ( $I_{sh}$ ) flowing to the grid ( $V_s$ )

$$V_{comp} = GI_{sh} - V_{Lh} \quad (1)$$

This allows having individual equivalent circuit for the fundamental and harmonics

$$V_{source} = V_{s1} + V_{sh}, \quad V_L = V_{L1} + V_{Lh} \quad (2)$$

The source harmonic current could be evaluated

$$V_{sh} = -Z_s I_{sh} + V_{comp} + V_{Lh} \quad (3)$$

$$V_{Lh} = Z_L (I_h - I_{sh}) \quad (4)$$

Combining (3) and (4) leads to (5)

$$I_{sh} = \frac{V_{sh}}{(G - Z_s)} \quad (5)$$

If gain  $G$  is sufficiently large ( $G \rightarrow \infty$ ), the source current will become clean of any harmonics ( $I_{sh} \rightarrow 0$ ). This will help improve the voltage distortion at the grid side. In this approach, the THSeAF behaves as high-impedance open circuit for current harmonics, while the shunt high-pass filter tuned at the system frequency creates a low-impedance path for all harmonics and open circuit for the fundamental; it also helps for PF correction.

## MODELING AND CONTROL OF THE SINGLE-PHASE THSeAF

### A. Average and Small-Signal Modeling

Based on the average equivalent circuit of an inverter [23], the small-signal model of the proposed configuration can be obtained as in Fig. 4. Here after,  $d$  is the duty cycle of the upper switch during a switching period, whereas  $\bar{v}$  and  $\bar{i}$  denote the average values in a switching period of the voltage and current of the same leg. The mean converter output voltage and current are expressed by (6) and (7) as follows:

$$\bar{v}_o = (2d - 1)V_{DC} \quad (6)$$

$$\bar{i}_{DC} = m\bar{i}_f \quad (7)$$

Calculating the Thevenin's equivalent circuit of the harmonic current source leads to the following assumption:

$$\bar{v}_h(j\omega) = \frac{-j\bar{i}_h}{C_{HPF}\omega_h} \quad (8)$$

If the harmonic frequency is high enough, it is possible to assume that there will be no voltage harmonics across the load. The state-space small-signal ac model could be derived by a linearized perturbation of the averaged model as follows:

$$\dot{x} = Ax + Bu \quad (9)$$

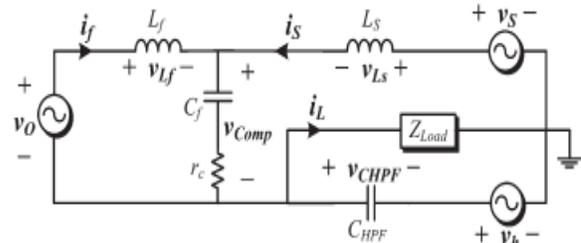


Fig. 4. Small-signal model of transformerless HSeAF in series between the grid and the load.

The transfer function of the compensating voltage versus the load voltage,  $T_{V\_CL}(s)$ , and the source current,  $T_{CI}(s)$ , are developed in the Appendix. Meanwhile, to control the active part independently, the derived transfer function should be autonomous from the grid configuration. The transfer function  $T_{Vm}$  presents the relation between the output voltages of the converter versus the duty cycle of the first leg converter's upper switch

$$T_V(S) = \frac{V_{comp}}{V_o} = \frac{r_c C_f s + 1}{L_f C_f s^2 + r_c C_f s + 1} \quad (13)$$

$$T_{Vm}(s) = \frac{V_{comp}}{m} = V_{DC} \cdot T_V(s) \quad (14)$$

The further detailed derivation of steady-state transfer functions is described in Section V. A dc auxiliary source should be employed to maintain an adequate supply on the load terminals. During the sag or swell conditions, it should absorb or inject power to keep the voltage magnitude at the load terminals within a specified margin. However, if the compensation of sags and swells is less imperative, a capacitor could be deployed. Consequently, the dc-link voltage across the capacitor should be regulated as demonstrated in Fig. 5.

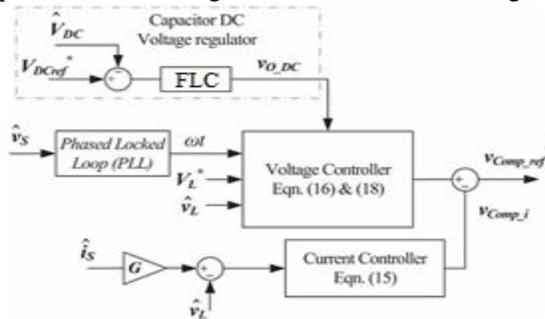


Fig. 5. Control system scheme of the active part.

## B. Voltage and Current Harmonic Detection

The outer-loop controller is used where a capacitor replaces the dc auxiliary source. This control strategy is well explained in the previous section. The inner-loop control strategy is based on an indirect control principle. A fast fourier transformation was used to extract the magnitude of the fundamental and its phase degree from current harmonics.

According to the theory, the gain  $G$  should be kept in a suitable level, preventing the harmonics from flowing into the grid [22], [24]. As previously discussed, for a more precise compensation of current harmonics, the voltage harmonics should also be considered. The compensating voltage for current harmonic compensation is obtained from

$$v_{comp\_i}(t) = (-G\hat{i}_s + \hat{v}_L) - [|-Gi_{s1} + v_{L1}| \cdot \sin(\omega_s t - \theta)] \quad (15)$$

Hereby, as voltage distortion at the load terminals is not desired, the voltage sag and swell should also be investigated in the inner loop. The closed-loop equation (16) allows to indirectly maintaining the voltage magnitude at the load side equal to  $V \cdot L$  as a predefined value, within acceptable margins

$$v_{comp\_v} = \hat{v}_L - V_L^* \sin(\omega_s t) \quad (16)$$

The entire control scheme for the THSeAF presented in Fig. 5 was used and implemented in MATLAB/Simulink for real-time simulations and the calculation of the compensating voltage. The real-time toolbox of d-SPACE was used for compilation and execution on the dsp-1103 control board. The source

and load voltages, together with the source current, are considered as system input signals. According to Srianthumrong et al. [25], an indirect control increases the stability of the system.

The source current harmonics are obtained by extracting the fundamental component from the source current

$$v_{com\_ref}^* = v_{comp\_v} - v_{comp\_i} + v_{DC-ref} \quad (17)$$

where the  $V_{DC\_ref}$  is the voltage required to maintain the dc-bus voltage constant

$$v_{DC-ref}(t) = V_{O\_DC} \cdot \sin(\omega_s t) \quad (18)$$

A phase-locked loop was used to obtain the reference angular frequency ( $\omega_s$ ). Accordingly, the extracted current harmonic contains a fundamental component synchronized with the source voltage in order to correct the PF. This current represents the reactive power of the load. The gain  $G$  representing the resistance for harmonics converts current into a relative voltage. The generated reference voltage  $v_{comp\_i}$  required to clean the source current from harmonics is described in (15).

According to the presented detection algorithm, the compensated reference voltage  $v^*_{Comp\_ref}$  is calculated. Thereafter, the reference signal is compared with the measured output voltage and applied to a PI controller to generate the corresponding gate signals as in Fig. 6.

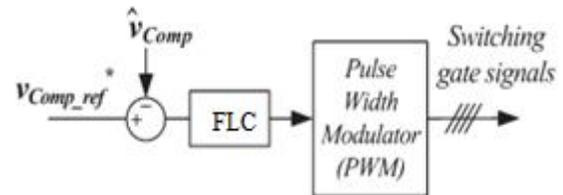


Fig. 6. Block diagram of THSeAF and PI controller.

## C. Stability Analysis for Voltage and Current Harmonics

The stability of the configuration is mainly affected by the introduced delay of a digital controller. This section studies the impact of the delay first on the inclusive compensated system according to works cited in the literature. Using purely inductive source impedance (see Fig. 4) and Kirchhoff's law for harmonic frequency components, (19) is derived. The delay time of the digital controller, large gain  $G$ , and the high stiffness of the system seriously affect the stability of the closed-loop controlled system

$$I_{sh}(s) = \frac{V_{sh} - V_{Comp} - V_{Lh}}{L_s s} \quad (19)$$

The compensating voltage including the delay time generated by the THSeAF in the Laplace domain [see (1)] is

$$v_{Comp} = G I_{sh} \cdot e^{-\tau s} - V_{Lh} \quad (20)$$

Considering (19) and (20), the control diagram of the system with delay is obtained as in Fig. 7.

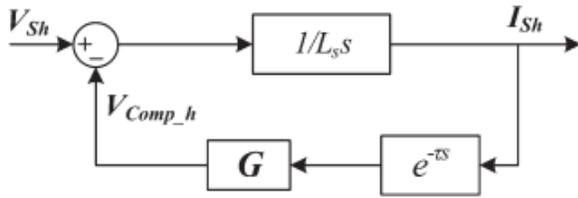


Fig. 7. Control diagram of the system with delay.

For the sake of simplicity, the overall delay of the system is assumed to be a constant value  $\tau$ . Therefore, the open-loop transfer function is obtained

$$G(s) = \frac{G}{L_s s} e^{\tau s} \quad (21)$$

From the Nyquist stability criterion, the stable operation of the system must satisfy the following condition:

$$G < \frac{\pi L_s}{2\tau} \quad (22)$$

A system with a typical source inductance  $L_s$  of  $250\mu\text{H}$  and a delay of  $40\mu\text{s}$  is considered stable according to (22) when the gain  $G$  is smaller than  $10\Omega$ . Experimental results confirm the stability of the system presented in this paper. Moreover, the influence of the delay on the control algorithm should also be investigated. Thus, assuming an ideal switching characteristic for the IGBTs, the closed-loop system for the active part controller is shown in Fig. 8.

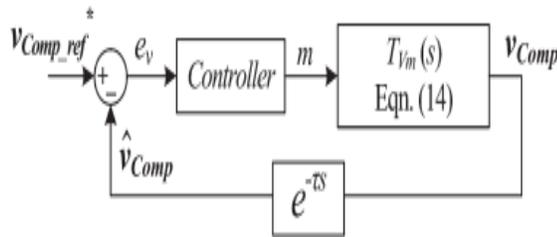


Fig. 8. Closed-loop control diagram of the active filter with a constant delay timer.

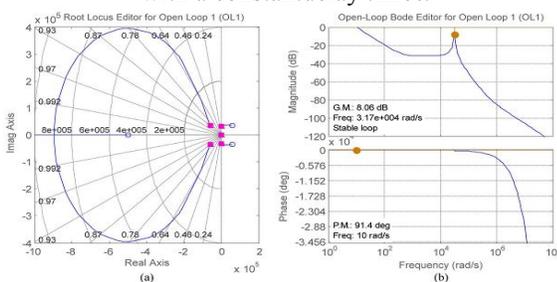


Fig. 9. Compensated open-loop system with delay time of  $40\mu\text{s}$ . (a) Root locus diagram. (b) Bode diagram.

### FUZZY LOGIC CONTROLLER

In FLC, basic control action is determined by a set of linguistic rules. These rules are determined by the

system. Since the numerical variables are converted into linguistic variables, mathematical modeling of the system is not required in FC.

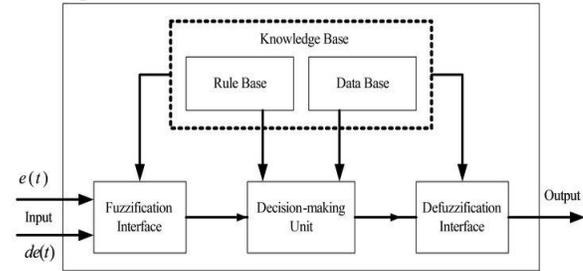


Fig. 10. Fuzzy logic controller

The FLC comprises of three parts: fuzzification, interference engine and defuzzification. The FC is characterized as i. seven fuzzy sets for each input and output. ii. Triangular membership functions for simplicity. iii. Fuzzification using continuous universe of discourse. iv. Implication using Mamdani's, 'min' operator. v. Defuzzification using the height method.

TABLE III: Fuzzy Rules

Change in error	Error						
	NB	NM	NS	Z	PS	PM	PB
NB	PB	PB	PB	PM	PM	PS	Z
NM	PB	PB	PM	PM	PS	Z	Z
NS	PB	PM	PS	PS	Z	NM	NB
Z	PB	PM	PS	Z	NS	NM	NB
PS	PM	PS	Z	NS	NM	NB	NB
PM	PS	Z	NS	NM	NM	NB	NB
PB	Z	NS	NM	NM	NB	NB	NB

**Fuzzification:** Membership function values are assigned to the linguistic variables, using seven fuzzy subsets: NB (Negative Big), NM (Negative Medium), NS (Negative Small), ZE (Zero), PS (Positive Small), PM (Positive Medium), and PB (Positive Big). The value of input error and change in error are normalized by an input scaling factor. In this system the input scaling factor has been designed such that input values are between -1 and +1. The triangular shape of the membership function of this arrangement presumes that for any particular  $E(k)$  input there is only one dominant fuzzy subset. The input error for the FLC is given as

$$E(k) = \frac{P_{ph}(k) - P_{ph}(k-1)}{V_{ph}(k) - V_{ph}(k-1)} \quad (23)$$

$$CE(k) = E(k) - E(k-1) \quad (24)$$

**Inference Method:** Several composition methods such as Max-Min and Max-Dot have been proposed in the literature. In this paper Min method is used. The output membership function of each rule is given by the minimum operator and maximum operator.

**Defuzzification:** As a plant usually requires a non-fuzzy value of control, a defuzzification stage is needed. To compute the output of the FLC, „height“ method is used and the FLC output modifies the control output. Further, the output of FLC controls the switch in the inverter. In

UPQC, the active power, reactive power, terminal voltage of the line and capacitor voltage are required to be maintained. To achieve this, the membership functions of FC are: error, change in error and output. The set of FC rules are derived from

$$u = -[\alpha E + (1-\alpha) * C] \quad (25)$$

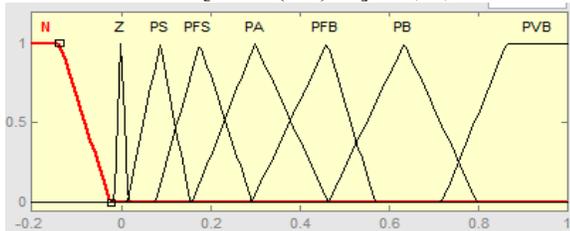


Fig. 11 input error as membership functions

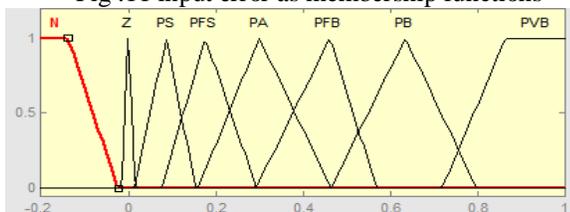


Fig. 12 change as error membership functions

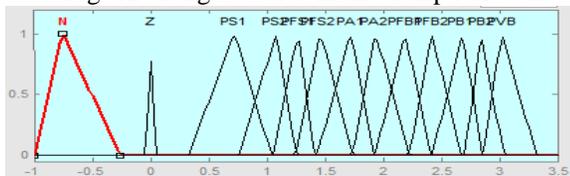


Fig. 13 output variable Membership functions

Where  $\alpha$  is self-adjustable factor which can regulate the whole operation. E is the error of the system, C is the change in error and u is the control variable.

### SIMULATION RESULTS

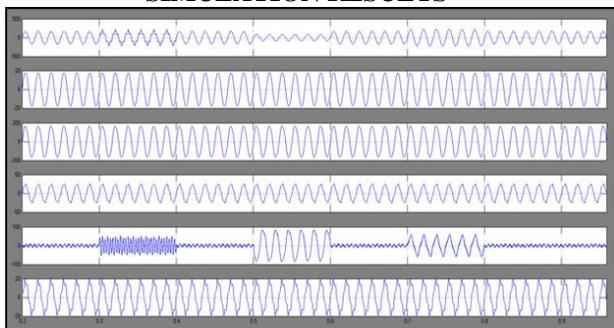
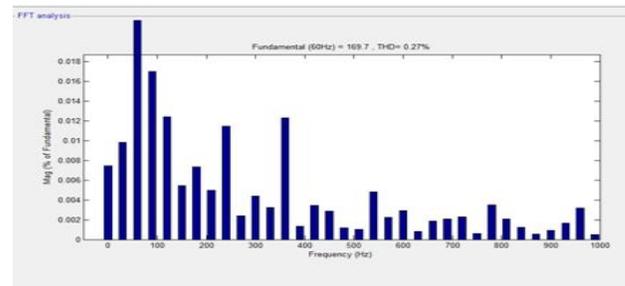
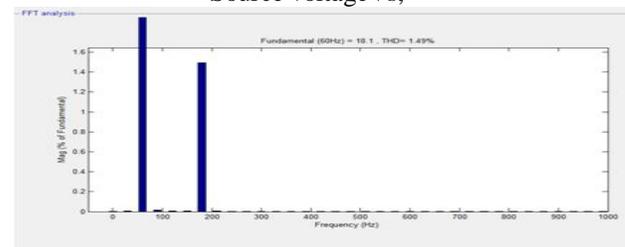


Fig. 14. Simulation of the system with the THSeAF compensating current harmonics and voltage egulation.

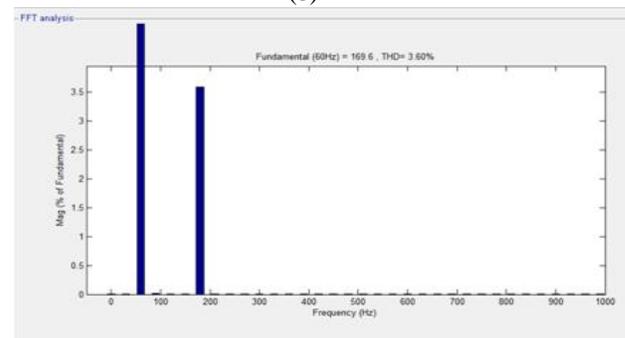
(a) Source voltage  $v_s$ , (b) source current  $i_s$ , (c) load voltage  $v_L$ , (d) load current  $i_L$ , (e) active-filter voltage  $V_{Comp}$ , and (f) harmonics current of the passive filter  $i_{PF}$ .



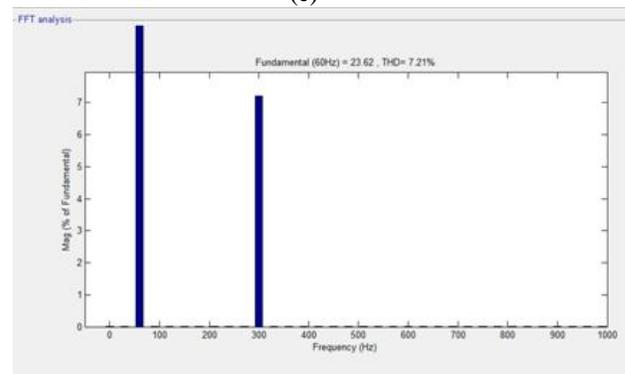
(a)  
Source voltage  $v_s$ ,



(b)



(c)



(d)

Fig. 14. THD valve of the THSeAF compensating current harmonics and voltage regulation. (a) Source voltage  $v_s$ , (b) source current  $i_s$ , (c) load voltage  $v_L$ , (d) load current  $i_L$ ,

### CONCLUSION

According to this paper, a power quality improvement was developed by employing a electrical device THSeAF. In this paper we tend to area unit considering that nonlinear loads are increase and better

exigency of the buyer for a reliable offer, concrete actions ought to be taken into thought for future good grids so as to smoothly integrate automobile battery chargers to the grid. The fuzzy controller is that the best suited for the human decision-making mechanism, providing the operation of an electronic system with choices of specialists. Thus, the “planned resolution is that the planned configuration” might improve the ability & quality of the system in a very additional general means by compensating a good varies of harmonics current, even supposing it is seen that the THSeAF regulates and improves the PCC voltage. Connected to a renewable auxiliary supply, the topology is ready to counteract actively to the ability flow within the system. This essential capability is needed to confirm a consistent offer for vital loads. Behaving as high-harmonic resistivity, it cleans the ability of the system and ensures a unity PF. The theoretical modeling of the planned configuration was investigated. By using simulation result we are able to verify the planned electrical device less configuration. By using the mathematical logic controller, we are able to reduce the supply harmonic currents and additionally improves the ability & quality of the grid while not exploitation of any expensive series transformer and huge transformer.

#### FUTURE SCOPE

In this project we are using the fuzzy logic controller. In future we can change the different controllers such as, ANN and PR controllers. By using these controllers we can improve the performance of the proposed method.

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