

# Study of Power system performance with Interline power flow controller (IPFC) by using software and lab prototype

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**Abstract** - In the power system, the price of the transmission lines is an important factor in the network company. An interline power flow controller (IPFC) is a grouping of series and series converter based FACTS controller which has the ability of controlling power flow among multiple lines in the same network of the transmission line. This paper is based on the performance of multi-machine system and system is studied with & without interline power flow controller (IPFC) under different environments. The IPFC is designed to limit the power transferring across lines and minimize the oscillations during disturb condition. Series FACTS devices are mainly used to limit the flow of power, minimize the disturbances and improving transient stability of the system. Simulation is done by using MATLAB software.

Key Words: FACTS, IPFC, transient stability

# **1.INTRODUCTION**

Series FACTS devices are used for limiting the power transfer in transmission lines and for minimizing the disturbances present in power system. Static synchronous series compensator (SSSC) injects the voltages or absorbs voltages from transmission line where it is connected. When it is fed with some supplementary signals from the connected system, SSSC has the ability to damp the oscillation by changing the compensated reactance of the transmission line [1] ,[3] and [6]. Synchronous voltage source, implemented by gate turn-off thyristor (GTO) based voltage sourced inverter, provides controllable series compensation. SSSC also provides controllable compensating voltage over an identical compensating voltage over identical capacitive and inductive limits which is not dependent on the magnitude of the line current[4]. A combined multi-pulse and multilevel inverter method for high power applications has been proposed in [5].

The [7] presents the importance and difference of an optimal direct and indirect adaptive neuro-fuzzy control scheme to limits the disturbances using the SSSC. A hybrid adaptive neuro-fuzzy B-spline wavelet-based control technique was used in a multi-machine power system for controlling disturbances. The [12] paper limits the interarea oscillations in a multi-machine power system. The

feasibility of the proposed technique is checked by using PSCAD simulation program and paper shows that IPFC work better than SSSC under same condition.

Day-by-day consumption of electricity goes on rising. To meet with that increased power level it is not possible to replace all old power plants. So some technology has to be combined with old power system to increase the power transfer across the transmission lines. The FACTS devices are best solution for compensation of this problem.

The interline power flow controller (IPFC) is a series connected voltage source converter (VSC)- based flexible ac transmission system (FACTS) controller for management of power flow among the multiline transmission system of a substation. IPFC is one of the latest generation FACTS controllers to control power flow. IPFC device is designed by Gyugyi with Sen Schaulder in 1998, for solving the problem of controlling a number of transmission lines at a time in plant. IPFC scheme gives independently reactive series compensation of each individual and has the capability to transfer real power between the compensated lines.

# **2. CONTROL SCHEME FOR IPFC**

Control scheme as shown in fig.1 is designed on the consideration of converter 1 is worked as main converter and converter 2 is worked as helping converter for converter 1 [1]. The real power limit is set by converter 2 for converter 1. Separate phase-locked loop is used for each converter which produced the phase angle. These phase angle is compared with injected voltage phase angle and produces the firing pulses for converter.

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Fig-1. Basic control scheme for two converter IPFC

## 2.2 System model

The system consists of four machines forming two areas in which two generators are connected in each area as shown in fig. 2. These two areas are connected together with the help of parallel transmission lines each having capacity of 500kv and 220 km long. System contain the load L1. The power is measured at various buses. Voltage is injected by IPFC in system . The detail of multi-machine is given in Table A.



Fig-2. Multi-machine system with IPFC FACTS device

## 3. SIMULATION RESULTS

Multi-machine system is validated by using MATLAB simulink under various cases.

Case 1:- Normal load condition



Fig-3. System without IPFC Under normal load condition Rotor angle remain steady state. Accelerating power is zero and voltages remain 1 pu in system.





Active power and reactive power across buses B-1 is 942 MW & -124 Mvar, B-2 is 471 MW & -62 Mvar and B-6 is 471MW & -62 Mvar respectively.



Fig-5. System with IPFC under normal load condition.

Rotor angle remain steady state. Accelerating power is zero and voltages remain 1 pu in system with IPFC FACTS device.



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Fig-6. Power with IPFC under normal load condition

Active power and reactive power across buses B-1 is 942 MW & -28 Mvar, B-2 is 710 MW & -28 Mvar and B-6 is 232 MW & -56 Mvar respectively. The power flowing across the bus B-2 is increased from 471 MW to 710 MW.

Case 2 :- Under 10% increased load condition



Fig-7. System without IPFC

Rotor angle takes large time to settle down to it's steadystate value as shown in figure 7.





Active power across the buses also takes large time to settle down to steady-state value.



Fig-9. system with IPFC under increased load condition Rotor angle reach to the steady state value in minimum time as shown in figure9.



Power of system under 10% increased load Fig-10. condition

Power across the buses reach to steady state values in increased load demand and also fulfils the demand.

#### Case3:- Under fault condition

Fault type L-L-L-G in area 1 near bus 1. Fault occurring time is 1 sec. and clearing time 1.02 sec.



Fig-11. System without IPFC under fault condition. Rotor angle reach to the steady state value after fault clearing. Accelerating power is zero. Voltage is 1 pu as shown in figure 11.



Fig-12. Power of system without IPFC

Active power and reactive power across buses B-1 is 942 MW & -124 Mvar, B-2 is 471 MW & -62 Mvar and B-6 is 471MW & -62 Mvar respectively. First peak of active power across B-1 after fault clearing is 1150 MW as shown in figure 12. Injected voltage by IPFC device is 0.1 pu. During fault time voltage across dc link is increased to limit the sudden rise of power in transmission line.

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Fig-13. System with IPFC under fault condition Fault occurs at 1 second and remain for 0.02 seconds in the system. Rotor angle reach to steady state value after fault clearing as shown in figure 13. The accelerating power is zero after fault clearing and voltage is 1 pu.



Fig-14. Power of system with IPFC under fault condition. During fault condition peak reduced by (1150 - 1128 =22MW) nearly 2% after installing IPFC FACTS device in system as shown in figure 14.

## **4. LAB PROTOTYPE**

The panel available in the FACTS Lab of Electrical Department shown in fig.15. is designed to study various VSC based FACTS devices . The FACTS devices which are form through this panel are STATCOM, SSSC, UPFC and IPFC by arranging switches status.

With the help of this panel, detailed study of IPFC is done. Through this panel we understand the importance of presence of IPFC in the system for efficient power transfer.



Fig-15. Transmission line simulator module



## Fig-16. Block diagram

switches S2, S3, S4, For IPFC S5,S7,S8,S9,S10,S11,S12 are closed while for SSSC switches S2, S3, S4 and S5 are closed. The receiving end voltages are observed when one SSSC is ON and IPFC is ON.

1.1. Static synchronous series compensator 1 is ON

Load = 150 ohm , I = 80 mA  $V_1 = V_2 = 90\%$ 

Receiving end voltage (Vr)
$V_{RY} = 8.7$ volt
$V_{YB} = 8.7$ volt
$V_{RB} = 8.9 \text{ volt}$

α1 (degree)	V <sub>1</sub> (volt)
180 (lag)	9
160(lag)	9
149(lag)	9
120(lag)	9
113(lag)	8.9
74(lag)	8.9
0 (lead)	9.0
142(lead)	9.0

Table 3: Interline power flow controller Load = 150 ohm, I = 80 mA

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Receiving end voltage (Vr)
$V_{RY} = 34.8$ volt
$V_{YB} = 33$ volt
$V_{RB}$ = 36.2 volt

α 1(degree)	V <sub>1</sub> (volt)
180 (lead)	36.2
166(lead)	36.3
150(lead)	36.2
120(lead)	36.2
93(lead)	36.3
54(lead)	36.4
50 (lead)	36.3
8(lead)	36.2
14 (lag)	36.1
21 (lag)	36.3
29 (lag)	36.3
36 (lag)	36.2
45 (lag)	36.4
90 (lag)	36.1
104 (lag)	36.2
122 (lag)	36.3
142 (lag)	36.1
159 (lag)	36.0
162 (lag)	36
180 (lag)	35.9

# 5. CONCLUSIONS

The IPFC is the combination of two or more than two SSSC connected together via DC link. Each SSSC provide the reactive power compensation to the individual line. IPFC has the ability of supplying the real power from lightly-loaded line to the overloaded line through a common dc link.

Rotor angle indicates steady state condition under no fault condition. System with IPFC achieve steady state value in increased load demand within short time as compared to system without IPFC. During fault condition first peak reduced significantly after installing IPFC FACTS device in system. System parameters reach to steady state value after fault clearing. From the lab prototype we can conclude that receiving end voltages improved in IPFC as compared to SSSC FACTS device for same load. For various firing angle receiving voltage V1 is calculated.

Table A :- Multi-machine system data

Area1	Transmission line	Area2
G1=G2=500MV A, F=60Hz	L1=L2=220km,	G3=G4=500MVA, F=60Hz
Vrms=13.8 kv	V=500kv	Vrms=13.8 kv
T1=T2=500 MVA , 13.8kv/500kv Rm=Lm= 500pu		T3=T4= 2500 MVA, 13.8kv/500kv, Rm=Lm=500pu .

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