

## DSPace Based Implementation of DRFOC Using Hysteresis Stator Flux Controllers for IM

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### ABSTRACT

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The purpose of this paper is to prove that Induction Motor (IM) torque drive based on Direct Rotor Field Oriented Control (DRFOC) could be achieved using no currents controllers and no PWM block. In fact, we propose, after an inverse Park rotation applied on direct and quadratic stator flux components, to control both stator flux components, real and imaginary, through two hysteresis controllers. Therefore, a switching table is established. It's independent from sector determination, does not introduce zero voltage vectors and with reduced size compared to Takahashi's switching table. Thus, a new approach to realize DRFOC is provided. The proposed DRFOC is validated by practical implementation on a DSPace 1104 board, for a 1.5 kW IM.

## 1. INTRODUCTION

The Induction Motors (IM) vector control (VC) is based on dynamic model. Thus, not only magnitude and frequency but also instantaneous positions of the different electromagnetic quantities are controlled [1]. This qualifies VC to be used in IM high performances applications [2-4]. Actually, there are many techniques to achieve VC, namely: feedback linearization [5-6], passivity based control [7], Field Oriented Control (FOC) [8], Direct Torque Control (DTC) [9-10] and DTC-Pulse Width Modulation control (DTC-PWM) [11-14].

Practically, Rotor FOC (RFOC) and DTC remain the most widely used VC techniques in high performances IMs torque drive [1]. Thereby, several comparisons between DTC and RFOC strategies have been emerged [15-21]. Indeed, some researchers have compared the DTC performances with those of the Indirect RFOC (IRFOC) when IMs are fed by Static Voltage Inverter (SVI) [15]. They concluded that, contrary to the IRFOC, the DTC does not need to determinate the rotor instantaneous pulsation and does not depend on rotor resistance. Moreover, several researchers consider that the RFOC must always be performed through current controllers. This is the reason why the majority of them note that the RFOC always needs: (i) inner currents loops; (ii) presents slow torque dynamic and (iii) introduces a Pulse Width Modulation (PWM) block [1, 22].

From our point of view, these comparisons are not rigorous:

(1). First, it will be more reasonable to consider Direct RFOC (DRFOC) instead of IRFOC when comparing with the DTC. This is because, like the DTC, the DRFOC does not need to determinate the rotor instantaneous pulsation.

(2). Second, by definition, RFOC requires both the direct rotor flux component to be kept constant and controlling the torque through a different variable. Indeed, most RFOCs use the stator current for this purpose by using either: (i) classical, intelligent artificial-based, and sliding mode-based current

controllers [23-24]; or (ii) hysteresis controllers and switching tables whether the stator current is presented in stationary reference frame (AC components) or in field oriented frame (DC components) [25]. In reality, controlling the direct rotor flux component and the torque through stator current is just an option, and it is the origin of the slow torque dynamic. In fact, by analyzing the IM equations dynamics it appears that the time constant between rotor flux and stator current direct components is much higher than the time constant linking the rotor and stator flux direct components. Thus, one could use the direct and quadratic stator flux components to achieve the RFOC with higher torque dynamic. This choice, as mentioned by the authors in [26], is rather driven by the AC motor power source supply: torque control by acting on the stator current is more desirable when the motor is fed by a current source inverter; whereas, it is more adequate by acting on the stator flux for motors fed by a SVI [26-27].

(3). Finally, when stator flux is chosen to control IM rotor flux and torque, it is not necessary to use a PWM block to generate the inverter state. As demonstrated in [28], a reduced size switching table and two hysteresis controllers are enough to generate the inverter state.

In this paper, DRFOC through stator flux hysteresis controllers, instead of current feedback, is performed to achieve torque reference IM dynamic improvement using: (i) a linear torque controller, (ii) Park inverse rotation, (iii) a reduced switching table, (iv) two hysteresis controllers and (v) a rotor flux angle and stator flux estimator. The proposed DRFOC control is argued experimentally through practical tests implemented on a DSPace 1104 board for various IM torque references for a 1.5kW IM. The performance is evaluated in terms of torque dynamic and ripple, flux and current distortion.

## 2. DIRECT RFOC PRINCIPLE

In the synchronous rotating reference frame (d, q), the IM electromagnetic torque could be given by one of the following equalities [1]:

$$T_e = p \frac{L_m}{L_r} \varphi_r i_s \sin(\bar{i}_s, \bar{\varphi}_r) = p \frac{L_m}{L_r} (\varphi_{rd} i_{sq} - \varphi_{rq} i_{sd}) \quad (1)$$

$$T_e = p \frac{L_m}{\sigma L_r L_s} \varphi_r \varphi_s \sin(\bar{\varphi}_s, \bar{\varphi}_r) = p \frac{L_m}{\sigma L_r L_s} (\varphi_{dr} \varphi_{sq} - \varphi_{dq} \varphi_{sd}) \quad (2)$$

According to the RFOC principal, when forcing  $\varphi_{rd} = \varphi_r^*$  and  $\varphi_{rq} = 0$ , one can choose to control both rotor flux and torque either through stator currents or by stator flux. This means to consider respectively one of the following equations [1, 2]: if stator currents are chosen:

$$i_{sd}^* = \frac{1}{L_m} (1 + sT_r) \varphi_r^*, \quad i_{sq}^* = \frac{L_r}{pL_m} \frac{T_e^*}{\varphi_r^*} \quad (3)$$

If stator flux are chosen:

$$\varphi_{sd}^* = \frac{L_s}{L_m} (1 + s\sigma T_r) \varphi_r^*, \quad \varphi_{sq}^* = \frac{\sigma L_s L_r}{pL_m} \frac{T_e^*}{\varphi_r^*} \quad (4)$$

where (s) represent Laplace variable.

Based on expressions (3) and (4), the time constant between rotor and stator flux direct components is ( $\sigma T_r$ ); while a time constant equal to ( $T_r$ ) links the rotor flux direct component to the stator current's one. This is why, when the stator flux is used to control both IM rotor flux and torque, their dynamics are very rapid compared to the case when stator current inner loops are used.

Remark:  $\varphi_{rd} = \varphi_r^*$  is usually replaced by:

$$\varphi_{sd}^* = \frac{L_s}{L_m} \varphi_r^* \quad \text{and} \quad i_{sd}^* = \frac{1}{L_m} \varphi_r^* \quad (5)$$

In this case, DRFOC diagram for IM supplied by SVI could be presented as shown in figure 1.

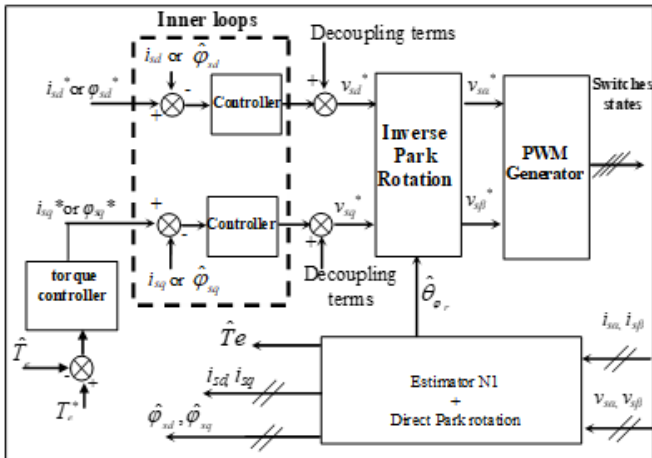


Figure 1. Voltage inverter based DRFOC drive

The estimator N1 estimates the stator flux components in the stationary reference frame ( $\alpha, \beta$ )<sub>s</sub> [1]:

$$\hat{\varphi}_{s\alpha} = \int (v_{s\alpha} - R_s i_{s\alpha}) dt, \quad \hat{\varphi}_{s\beta} = \int (v_{s\beta} - R_s i_{s\beta}) dt \quad (6)$$

Then, the rotor flux components are estimated as given below:

$$\hat{\varphi}_{r\alpha} = \frac{L_r}{L_m} (\hat{\varphi}_{s\alpha} - \sigma L_s i_{s\alpha}), \quad \hat{\varphi}_{r\beta} = \frac{L_r}{L_m} (\hat{\varphi}_{s\beta} - \sigma L_s i_{s\beta}) \quad (7)$$

The rotor flux position with respect to the stator reference frame and the electromagnetic torque are estimated respectively by:

$$\hat{\theta}_{\varphi_r} = \arctg\left(\frac{\hat{\varphi}_{r\beta}}{\hat{\varphi}_{r\alpha}}\right) \quad (8)$$

$$\hat{T}_e = p \frac{L_m}{L_r} (\hat{\varphi}_{r\alpha} i_{s\beta} - \hat{\varphi}_{r\beta} i_{s\alpha}) = p \frac{L_m}{\sigma L_r L_s} (\hat{\varphi}_{r\alpha} \hat{\varphi}_{s\beta} - \hat{\varphi}_{r\beta} \hat{\varphi}_{s\alpha}) \quad (9)$$

## 3. VOLTAGE INVERTER BASED DRFOC DIAGRAM SIMPLIFICATION

Actually, voltage inverter based DRFOC scheme can be significantly simplified if stator flux control is achieved in the stator reference frame ( $\alpha, \beta$ )<sub>s</sub>. In fact, in this frame the stator resistance is often neglected. Also, the direct Park rotation could be removed because there is no need to compute direct and quadratic stator flux components. Moreover, in this frame, even the PWM generator block may be removed, as discussed below.

### 3.1 Controlling stator flux in ( $\alpha, \beta$ )<sub>s</sub> reference frame and elimination of direct Park rotation

In the ( $\alpha, \beta$ )<sub>s</sub> reference frame, when the stator resistance is neglected, the expression that links the stator flux and voltage become:

$$v_{s\alpha} = \frac{d\varphi_{s\alpha}}{dt}, \quad v_{s\beta} = \frac{d\varphi_{s\beta}}{dt} \quad (10)$$

In order to achieve the stator flux control in the ( $\alpha, \beta$ )<sub>s</sub> reference frame, we use the so-called discrete derivative controllers [1], which ensures the following computations :

$$\begin{cases} v_{s\alpha_k}^* = \frac{(\Delta\varphi_{s\alpha_k})^*}{T_s} \text{ with } : (\Delta\varphi_{s\alpha_k})^* = \varphi_{s\alpha_k}^* - \hat{\varphi}_{s\alpha_{k-1}} \\ v_{s\beta_k}^* = \frac{(\Delta\varphi_{s\beta_k})^*}{T_s} \text{ with } : (\Delta\varphi_{s\beta_k})^* = \varphi_{s\beta_k}^* - \hat{\varphi}_{s\beta_{k-1}} \end{cases} \quad (11)$$

where  $\hat{\varphi}_{s\alpha_{k-1}}$  and  $\hat{\varphi}_{s\beta_{k-1}}$  represent the estimated stator flux components at the time instant  $t_{k-1}$ , and  $T_s$  is the used sampling time. Thus, the DRFOC diagram becomes:

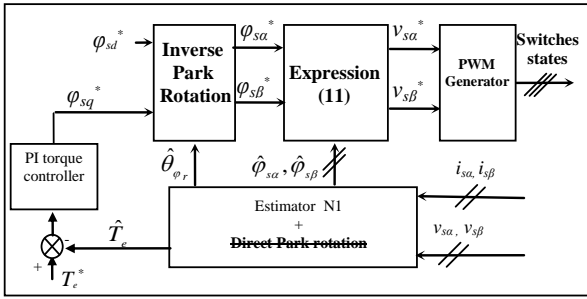


Figure 2. DRFOC drive diagram in  $(\alpha, \beta)$ s

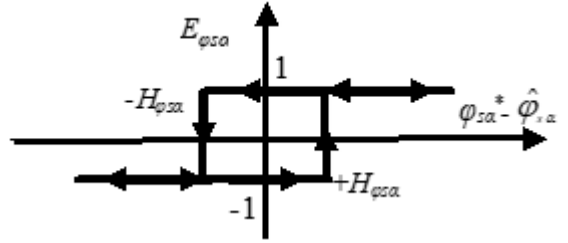


Figure 5.  $\phi_{s\alpha}$  hysteresis controller

Table 1. Switching table I

$E_{\phi_{s\alpha}}$	1			-1		
$E_{\phi_{s\beta}}$	1	0	-1	1	0	-1
$\bar{v}_s$	$\bar{v}_{s_2}$	$\bar{v}_{s_1}$	$\bar{v}_{s_6}$	$\bar{v}_{s_3}$	$\bar{v}_{s_4}$	$\bar{v}_{s_5}$

We note that this technique is very close to the DTC-SVM. The only difference is the angle used for reverse Park rotation. The DTC-SVM uses the angle of the stator flux vector whereas here it is rather the rotor flux one.

### 3.2 Elimination of the PWM generator

Actually, in the stationary reference frame  $(\alpha, \beta)_s$ , it is possible to achieve stator flux control through hysteresis controllers as detailed in [28]. The diagram of the DRFOC could be illustrated as given by figure 3, where, Table I presents the switching table and the two chosen controllers are shown respectively in figures 4 and 5.

In fact, according to the effect brought by each voltage vector to the stator flux components in the  $(\alpha, \beta)_s$  reference frame, a switching table I is summarized as follow [28]:

$E_{\phi_{s\alpha}} = 1$  ( $E_{\phi_{s\beta}} = 1$ ) means that  $\phi_{s\alpha}$  ( $\phi_{s\beta}$ ) should increase,  $E_{\phi_{s\alpha}} = -1$  ( $E_{\phi_{s\beta}} = -1$ ) means that  $\phi_{s\alpha}$  ( $\phi_{s\beta}$ ) should decrease, and  $E_{\phi_{s\alpha}} = 0$  ( $E_{\phi_{s\beta}} = 0$ ) means that  $\phi_{s\alpha}$  ( $\phi_{s\beta}$ ) should be kept unchanged. While  $H_{\phi_{s\alpha}}$  and  $H_{\phi_{s\beta}}$  represent respectively the half of the desired  $\phi_{s\alpha}$  and  $\phi_{s\beta}$  hysteresis bounds.

From figure 3, it's clear that the DRFOC diagram, could be achieved by controlling the stator flux components expressed in the  $(\alpha, \beta)_s$  reference frame using two hysteresis controllers and a simple switching table (only six rules).

## 4. EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS

In order to validate the proposed DRFOC (figure 3), in terms of torque dynamics and both flux and stator current distortions, practical tests with various torque references were carried out. The realized experimental test rig is shown in figure 6. Indeed, it consists of:

- (1) An IGBTs static voltage inverter (AC/DC/AC) that includes two current sensors (0.1 V for 1 A),
- (2) Two voltage sensors (1 V for 120 V),
- (3) A 1.5 kW IM mechanically linked to a 1.5 kW DC generator. The parameters of the used IM are presented in Table II.
- (4) A DSPace 1104 board based on a 250 MHz 603-PowerPC-64-bit processor is used for data acquisition, IM states estimation and algorithm computing,
- (5) A control PC where the DSPace is plugged,
- (6) A/D converters (12-bit, 800 ns),
- (7) An interface that converts the IGBTs control signals from TTL to CMOS,
- (8) A/D converters and
- (9) A 2 kW resistive bank (box switches) which is supplied by the DC generator and was adjusted in such a way that the produced load torque reaches the nominal IM torque at nominal speed.

After building the proposed DRFOC real-time Simulink-blocks, the C code is automatically generated by the Real-Time Workshop in conjunction with the DSPace's Real-Time Interface. The Real-Time Application is downloaded and executed in the DSPace's global memory (32 MB, SDRAM). To monitor and save all the experiment data, we use the ControlDesk which is a DSPace's experiment software.

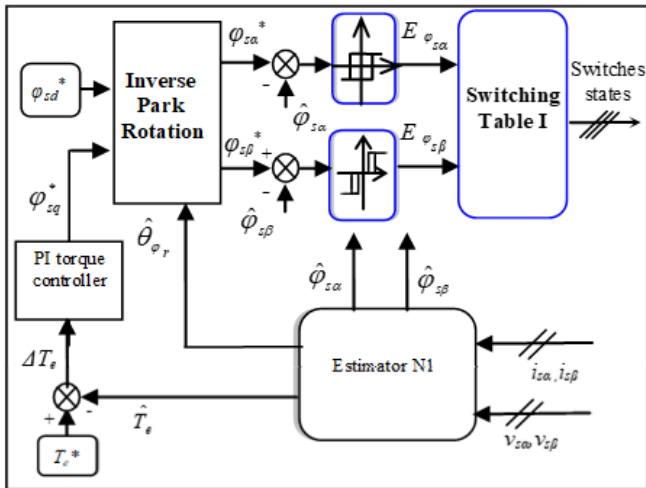


Figure 3. DRFOC drive diagram in  $(\alpha, \beta)_s$  using a switching table

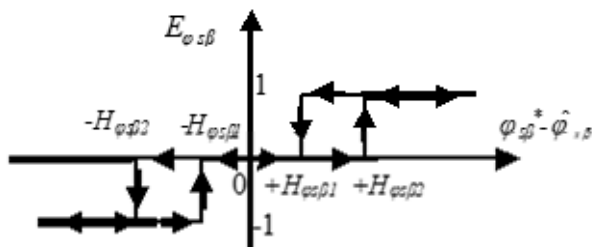


Figure 4. DRFOC drive diagram in  $(\alpha, \beta)_s$  using a switching table

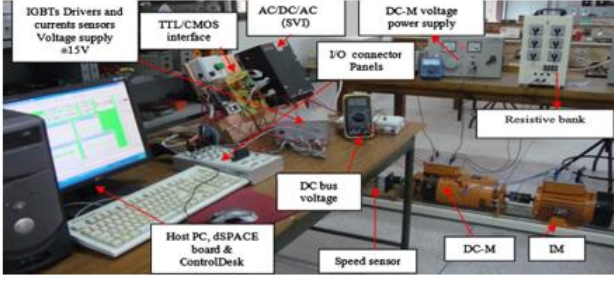


Figure 6. The experimental platform

Table 2. The IM parameters values

$p$	2	P	1.5 kW
$R_s$	4.75 $\Omega$	Isn	4.2 A
$R_r$	1.2 $\Omega$	Vsn	380 V
$L_s$	0.4 H	$T_{en}$	10 N.m
$L_r$	0.072 H	$\omega_n$	175 rad/s
$L_m$	0.163 H	$f=f_{IM}+f_{load}$	$25 \times 10^{-4}$ Kg.m <sup>2</sup> /sec
$J=J_{IM}+J_{loa}$	0.025 Kg.m <sup>2</sup>	$T_{en}$	10 N.m

In order to limit torque and stator flux ripples within  $\pm 2.5\%$  of their nominal values, the synthesis of DRFOC controller has been done as detailed in [28]. The adopted controllers' parameters are given as follow:

$$H\phi_{sa}=H\phi_{s\beta 1}=1.38 \times 10^{-4} \text{ Wb} \quad (12)$$

$$H\phi_{s\beta 2}=1.5 \times 10^{-2} \text{ Wb} \quad (13)$$

$$k_p = 0.12 \quad (14)$$

$$k_i = 4.44 \quad (15)$$

The torque reference sequence lasts 35 (sec):  $T_e^* = [8, 5, 2, -6, -2, 6]$  N.m (figure 7). It is clear that this sequence covers different operating torque points (large steps, positive, negative, small and medium torque values). After a first implementation, we have obtained a computation time  $T_c = 50$  ( $\mu\text{sec}$ ). So we have chosen to execute the control with a sampling time  $T_s = 60$  ( $\mu\text{sec}$ ). The obtained experimental results are presented in the following figures:

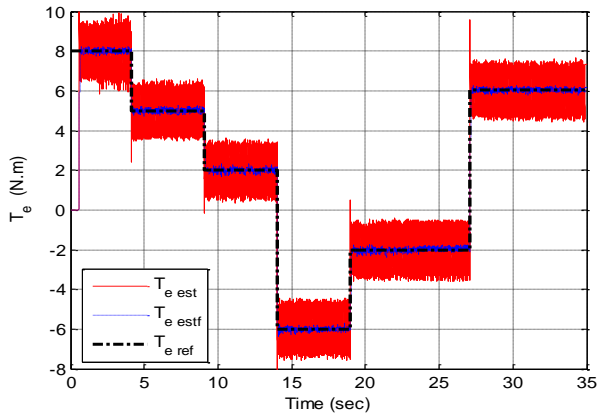


Figure 7. Estimated ( $T_e$  est), reference ( $T_e$  ref) and filtered ( $T_e$  estf) torques

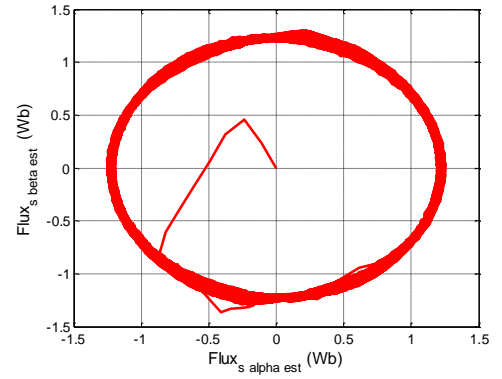


Figure 8. Stator flux vector locus

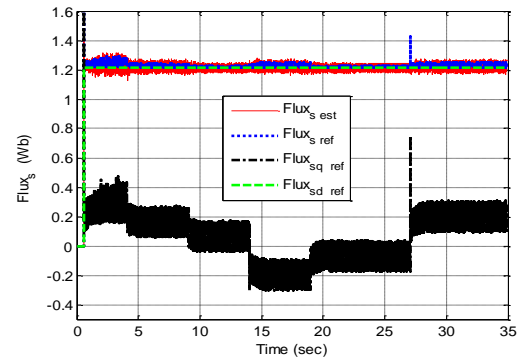


Figure 9. Stator flux: d-axis component ( $\text{Flux}_{sd}$  ref), q-axis component ( $\text{Flux}_{sq}$  ref), reference magnitude ( $\text{Flux}_s$  ref) and estimated magnitude ( $\text{Flux}_s$  est)

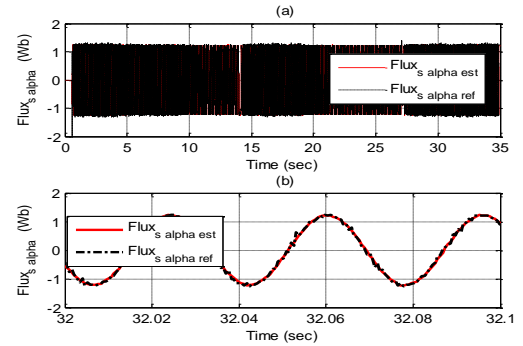


Figure 10. Stator flux  $\alpha$ -axis component: (a) reference and estimated, (b) zoomed figure

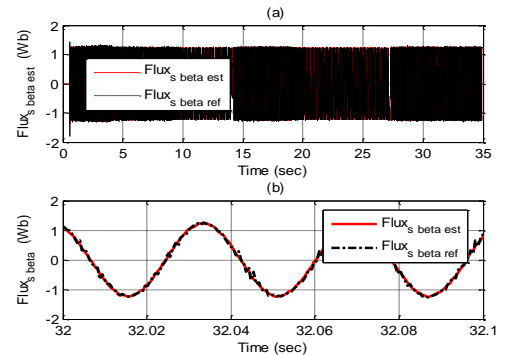
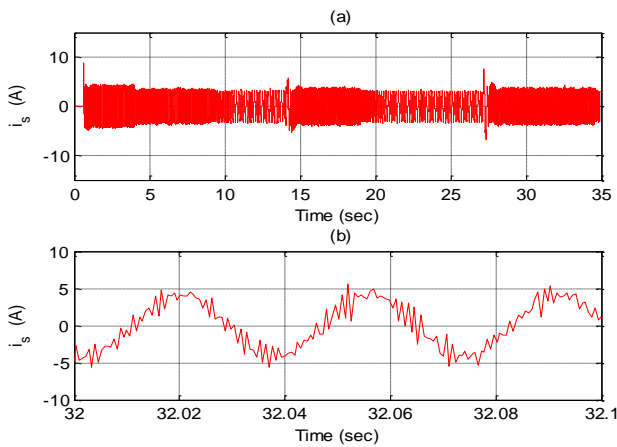


Figure 11. Stator flux  $\beta$ -axis component: (a) Reference and estimated, (b) zoomed figure



**Figure 12.** Stator current (a) measured, (b) zoomed figure

From Figure 7, we clearly see that the filtered estimated torque (dashed line) does not present any error with the use of the proposed DRFOC including a PI torque controller. Because the used sampling time is not small enough, we note that the torque ripple goes beyond the set hysteresis bounds ( $\pm 0.25$  N.m). Further, we note that the use of hysteresis stator flux controllers has improved the DRFOC torque dynamic that has become comparable to that of the classical DTC. The figure 8 shows that the flux vector locus presents few distortions, few ripples and closer circle shape.

From Figure 9, it's clear that the estimated stator flux magnitude follows the desired magnitude reference and presents few ripples. For the same reason as for the torque, the magnitude flux ripples go beyond the set limits ( $\pm 0.03$  Wb). Less distortion could be achieved if less sampling time could have been used. The same figure shows also that the stator flux reference q-component follows exactly the torque shape, while, the d-component remains constant.

Figures 10 and 11 present the stator flux components waveforms in the stator reference frame. Indeed, Figures 10(b) and 11(b) show that the estimated values of these two components follows exactly their references and present almost-perfect sinusoidal forms. Thereby, even the stator current shape presents a sinusoidal form, as shown in Figure 12.

## 5. CONCLUSIONS

This paper has presented a novel approach to achieve DRFOC. In fact, from the possibility of realizing the DRFOC through stator flux inner loops performed in the stationary reference frame, we have confirmed theoretically and practically that this control can be achieved using: i) a linear torque controller, ii) Park inverse rotation, iii) a reduced switching table, iv) two hysteresis controller and v) a rotor flux angle and stator flux components estimator. In this case, DRFOC achieves better torque dynamic. Our practical realization was performed on a 1.5 kW IM torque drives.

The proposed control design has improved the torque dynamics and proved that the DRFOC could be achieved without using any current inner loop and no PWM bloc.

In this paper we have shown that the DRFOC could achieve the DTC dynamics. As a perspective, comparison with classical DRFOC and classical DTC, in terms of dynamic and steady state performance, might be investigated. Further, a

comparison of THD/Torque ripple performance should be realized.

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## NOMENCLATURE

$v_s, i_s$	Stator voltage and current.
$\varphi_s, \varphi_r$	Stator and rotor flux.
$\theta_{\varphi_s}, \theta_{\varphi_r}$	Positions of stator and rotor flux in the stator frame.
$\omega$	Mechanical rotor speed.
$2, p$	number of poles.
$T_e$	Electromagnetic torque.
$T_r$	Rotor time constant.
$R_s$	Stator resistance.
$L_s, L_r, L_m$	Stator, rotor and mutual inductances.
$\sigma$	Total leakage factor.
$H_{(.)}$	Denotes hysteresis bound for a chosen variable.
$E_{(.)}$	Denotes logical decision for a chosen variable.
$(.)^*$	Denotes a reference value.
$(\wedge)$	Denotes an estimated value.
$(.)_{\alpha, \beta}$	Denotes $\alpha$ and $\beta$ axis-components for a chosen variable.
$(.)_{d, q}$	Denotes d and q axis-components for a chosen variable.