Spansion Sensor-less Inverter Fan Motor Solution

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Background Introduction
Motor structure

- IPM
- SPM
Motor control algorithm

Traditional six step control (120°)

Traditional FOC control (180°)

Improvement:
- The BEMF converts into the form of a sine wave—fit 180° control
- The distribution of winding
- Adjust the air gap
- Change the shape of the permanent magnet

Improve motor structure and control algorithm (180°)
Control Solution Improvement

- AC motor efficiency is low and the speed range is narrow.
- For sensor motor, the price is higher and the Hall is easily mangled.
- Existing DC fan solution needs orientation in startup; open-loop startup causes more power loss; performance of anti-wind startup is not good enough.
- The Spansion sensor-less DC fan solution solves the above problems by providing the following functions: realizing no-orientation and no-vibration startup; providing higher efficiency and wider speed range; realizing perfect anti-wind startup; and reducing hardware price and noise.

Perfect performance!
Algorithm and Function
Algorithm Structure

Start Up
Protection
Parameters Identification

VF
Torque
VF_diagnose

Speed PI
Iq PI
Inverse Park

Iq
Id PI
V_d

Inverse Clarke
SVPWM

Id
V_a
V_b
V_c

Dead-time Compensation

AC Input
DC Input

Electrical Brake

Field weaken

VF

Iq ref

ω_ref

I_qref

I_q

V_q

Id

V_d

Inverter

I_d

V_a

I_sα

I_sβ

I_a

I_b

I_c

Single/Dual shunt

PMSM

Rotor position estimator

ω_mR

θ_estim

VF_diagnose

Parameters Identification

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Algorithm Function

- 1 Catch Spin function
- 2 ELE-brake function
- 3 ELE-brake current control function
- 4 Anti-wind startup function
- 5 Rotor direction detect function
- 6 Self-adapt startup function
- 7 VF/VF_diagnosis function
- 8 Torque control function
- 9 On-line carrier frequency vary
- 10 Unstop running

- 11 Dead Time Compensation
- 12 Field weaken function
- 13 GUI debugger function
- 14 Parameters Identification
- 15 Pulse speed feedback function
- 16 Vsp speed control function
- 17 NTC/PTC speed limit function
- 18 Single shunt function
- 19 Inner CR choose function
- 20 Full-scale protected function
  - rotor lock protection
  - loss phase protection
  - soft over-current protection
  - over and under voltage protection
  - loss flux protection
Coordinate Transformation--- Coordinate System

Three-axis stator coordinate system  Two-axis stator coordinate system  Two-axis rotate coordinate system
Coordinate Transformation --- Clarke Transform

\[
\bar{a} = -\frac{1}{2} + j \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}
\]

\[
\bar{a}^2 = -\frac{1}{2} - j \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}
\]

\[
\tilde{x} = x_a + jx_\beta = \frac{2}{3} \left( x_a + \bar{a} x_b + \bar{a}^2 x_c \right)
\]
Coordinate Transformation --- Park Transform

\[ x_d = x_\alpha \cos \varphi + jx_\beta \sin \varphi \]

\[ x_q = -x_\alpha \sin \varphi + jx_\beta \cos \varphi \]
Coordinate Transformation --- Inverse Park Transform

\[ x_\alpha = x_d \cos \varphi - x_q \sin \varphi \]
\[ x_\beta = x_d \sin \varphi + x_q \cos \varphi \]
Algorithm Function

- Coordinate Transformation --- Inverse Clarke Transform

\[
x_1 = x_\alpha
\]

\[
x_2 = \frac{-x_\alpha + \sqrt{3}x_\beta}{2}
\]

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x_3 = \frac{-x_\alpha - \sqrt{3}x_\beta}{2}
\]
Current control loop

In current loop, $i_d$ controls the motor flux for extending speed region, and $i_q$ controls motor torque for increasing and decreasing speed.

$i_d \Rightarrow flux$

$i_q \Rightarrow torque$
Algorithm Function

- PID-Regulator Control
  - Universal regulator for most of the control loops
  - Very accurate and fast
  - Stable control loop
  - In the absence of knowledge of the underlying process, a PID controller is the best controller solution
Position Estimate

- PLL
- SMO
- HFI
- DTC

\[
\begin{align*}
E_\alpha &= V_\alpha - R_s I_\alpha - L_s \frac{d I_\alpha}{dt} \\
E_\beta &= V_\beta - R_s I_\beta - L_s \frac{d I_\beta}{dt} \\
E_d &= E_\alpha \cos(\theta_{estim}) + E_\beta \sin(\theta_{estim}) \\
E_q &= E_\beta \cos(\theta_{estim}) - E_\alpha \sin(\theta_{estim}) \\
\omega_{mR} &= \frac{1}{K_\phi} (E_{qf} - \text{Sign}(E_{qf}) \times E_{df}) \\
\theta_{estim} &= \int \omega_{mR} dt
\end{align*}
\]
Algorithm Function

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Algorithm Function

Catch-Spin Function:

- From the rotor estimate speed, you can judge the start mode. If the speed is bigger than zero, use the catch-spin function. Otherwise, use other start mode.

- Algorithm figure is shown as below:
Algorithm Function

- **Anti-wind start:**
  - From the rotor speed detection, once the rotor reverse running is detected, Anti-wind start function will be started. Adjust the startup current and brake time based on the reverse speed. When the speed decreases to zero, the system enters the close-loop running stage.
  
  - Algorithm figure is shown as below:
Resting state start:

- From the rotor speed detection, if it is detected that the rotor speed equals to zero, the Resting State Startup function will be started. Adjust the startup current based on the target speed and load. Then, enter close-loop running directly.

- Algorithm figure is shown as below:
Solution Performance Feature
Performance Comparison

- Competitor’s sensor-less DC fan starts up with orientation and big open-loop current, which has below disadvantages:
  - Orientation causes more vibration and longer startup time;
  - Open-loop needs bigger current;
  - The anti-wind performance is bad and the startup speed is lower than 500rpm;
  - Startup time is long;
  - Speed up and down will cause current fluctuation.

- Spansion DC fan solution using new startup algorithm can avoid disadvantages of other solutions and provide the following features:
  - Don’t need orientation, no vibration;
  - Millisecond-level startup time;
  - 1000rpm anti-wind startup;
  - Startup current below 0.2A, anti-wind startup maximum current below 0.7A;
  - Maximum startup time below 2s;
  - Startup time and current can auto-adjust;
  - Speed up and down will not cause current fluctuation.
## Performance Comparison

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<th>Competitor solution</th>
<th>Spansion solution</th>
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<td><strong>Orientation</strong></td>
<td>Need orientation startup, orientation time about 4S, current 0.7A, bigger vibration and long start time</td>
<td>Do not need orientation. Orientation time 0S, current 0A, startup no vibration.</td>
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<td><strong>Open-loop startup</strong></td>
<td>Need open-loop startup, open-loop time about 0.4S, current about 0.85A</td>
<td>Do not need. Using pre-close-loop mode, time maximum value about 0.2S, maximum current about 0.2A</td>
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<td><strong>Anti-wind startup</strong></td>
<td>Anti-wind startup is OK only under 300RPM. When the value is 300RPM--500RPM, the startup may fail. When the value is above 500RPM, no startup can succeed</td>
<td>All anti-wind startups are OK under 1000RPM</td>
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<td><strong>Startup time</strong></td>
<td>startup time total 4.5S</td>
<td>startup time total 0.2S</td>
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<td><strong>Startup power loss</strong></td>
<td>Startup power loss about: $(0.7A\times0.7A\times4S+0.85A\times0.85A\times0.4S)\times R/2 = (1.96+0.289)/2 = 1.1245J$</td>
<td>Startup power loss about: $(0.2A\times0.2A\times0.2S)\times R/2 = 0.004J$ (only other solution power 's 0.356%)</td>
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<td><strong>Startup type</strong></td>
<td>Startup without self-adaption; current and time are constant values.</td>
<td>Startup using self-adaption method, current and time will be controlled to the minimum.</td>
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Solution Features

- Using Spansion 32bit ARM Cortex-M3/FM0+ chip: MB9AF132K, frequency 20MHz/SE1A1, frequency 40MHz
- MOSFET or IPM power module can be chosen
- VF/VF_Diagnosis /Speed/Torque control mode
- No-orientation and open loop startup
- The online self-adaptation function of 5KHz-30KHz carrier frequency can meet the requirements of reducing noise
- Support single shunt and dual shunt algorithm
- Anti-wind startup can reach 1000rpm
- Unstop-running function
- Support PWM mode brake function
- Catch-spin function
- Support flux-decrease protection
- Perfect protection function
- Meet the national energy consumption requirements of energy efficiency
Spansion Solution Development
Background Introduction

Memory
- Fastest Flash Memory among ARM Cortex M0+/M3/M4 families
- High Quality Flash
  - 100k erase cycles
  - 20 years retention
- Wide supply voltage range
  - 2.7V..5.5V
  - 1.65V..3.6V

Core
- High Performance up to 144MHz operation frequency
- Long term Availability 10 years +

Support
- Global Excellent Technical Support

Sophisticated Motor Control Timer
- Independent 12-bit ADCs
- Advanced Connectivity
  - USB host+function
  - CAN
  - Ethernet
- Many functional safety features
Solution Development

- **IAR Embedded Workbench IDE**
  - Completely open chip driver code, to achieve quickly switch and change of the chip

- Provide complete new function sample project fast
- Project of custom and replacement of the chip

Modify the user interface file directly, direct replacement of the motor and configuration parameters can be set, and can modify the motor parameters online, to debug the machine
Solution Development

- Rich hardware reference standard circuit
- Current sampling amplifier circuit reference
- Different chip pin resource allocation model
- The hardware circuit reference over-current protection standards
- Providing rich component encapsulation library

Reference sample

!!! Lower the development difficulty and reduce the risk; provide full set of hardware development platform to quicken the development.
Solution Development

Low Hardware Cost

- Support inner CR
- Support no Amplifier operations
- Support isolation IGBT
- Support single shunt function

！！！Reducing hardware cost and solution components to increase the solution advantage.
Solution Resources

Resources include:

- Chip hardware user manual
- Hardware user manual
- Software debugger manual
- Sensor-less DC fan motor SPEC
- Development user manual
- Customer interface manual
- System designed SPEC
- Subsystem designed SPEC
- System test SPEC
- Protection test and mode SPEC
- Test report
- Firmware materials
GUI debugger
Supported Products
## Supported Products

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<th>Standard interface</th>
<th>Fast increasing speed in dedusting</th>
<th>Anti - wind startup</th>
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<th>Low vibration</th>
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Supported Products

- Special feature
  - High speed running
  - Light current

- Special feature
  - Torque control
  - Fast startup

- Special feature
  - Low voltage running
Supported Products

- Other product
  - Pump
  - Dishwasher
  - Hair dryer
  - Electric drill