

# High-Resistance Connection Diagnosis Considering Current Closed-Loop Effect for Permanent Magnet Machine

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Xu Z, Din Z, Jiang Y, Cheema KM, Milyani AH and Alghamdi S (2022) High-Resistance Connection Diagnosis Considering Current Closed-Loop Effect for Permanent Magnet Machine. Front. Energy Res. 10:933246. doi: 10.3389/fenrg.2022.933246 The permanent magnet (PM) machine has been widely applied in the areas of wind power and electric vehicles. As one of the most common electric faults, high-resistance connection (HRC) will induce 2nd-order components in the *dq*-axis current and voltage, which can be used for HRC diagnosis. However, these HRC-introduced 2ndorder components are also affected by the current closed-loop control, which ought to be taken into consideration for an accurate HRC diagnosis. In this study, a mathematical model of the 2nd-order components in the *dq*-axis current and voltage for the current closed-loop controlled PM machine is derived, and based on the model, a new HRC diagnosis method is proposed. In the proposed method, not only the location of HRC but also HRC severity can be accurately obtained. Simulations and experiments have been carried out to validate the effectiveness of the proposed method.

Keywords: permanent magnet machine, direct-driven permanent magnet synchronous generator, wind turbine, fault diagnosis, high-resistance connection, current closed-loop control

# **1 INTRODUCTION**

Recently, due to the advantages of high power density and high efficiency, the permanent magnet (PM) machine has been increasingly applied in the area of wind power and electric vehicles. The direct-driven permanent magnet synchronous generator is the most widely used scheme for high-power wind power generation, such as the large-scale intertidal and offshore wind turbines. However, the complex operating environment may cause unexpected faults to the machine. The high-resistance connection (HRC) (or called a resistance unbalance fault) is one of the common electrical faults for the PM machine (Hang et al., 2020a; Hang et al., 2021). **Figure 1** (Braunovic et al., 2006) shows the failure mechanism of HRC. It is found that HRC can cause increased torque pulsation, decreased average torque, increased current, and voltage imbalance in the machine. The continuous HRC status of the PM machine may lead to excessive heating, which further increases the connection resistance. If these positive feedback loops are not broken, the HRC may propagate into uncontrolled consequences and even lead to catastrophic failure. Thus, it is of significant importance to detect the HRC fault and prevent potential severe damages (Gritli et al., 2013; Zarri et al., 2013).

Many methods have been put forward to detect the HRC for induction machines, which are mainly based on stator current and voltage signals (Yun et al., 2007; Yun et al., 2009; Gritli et al., 2013;



de la Barrera et al., 2014; de la Barrera et al., 2015; Mengoni et al., 2015; Antonino-Daviu et al., 2017; Hang et al., 2019; Hang et al., 2020b; Hang et al., 2020a; Hang et al., 2020c; Hang et al., 2021). In the study by Antonino-Daviu et al. (2017), the HRC of the wound rotor induction machine is detected by a series of frequencydomain characteristics of stator current. In the study by Yun et al. (2007), a dynamic model of the induction machine with HRC is established, and the negative-sequence current and the zerosequence voltage are used for HRC diagnosis. An additional negative-sequence current controller is introduced by Mengoni et al., (2015) to compensate for the current imbalance caused by HRC and the output of the negative-sequence PI regulators is used to detect HRC. In the study by Yun et al. (2009), the negative-sequence current and zero-sequence voltage features are combined to realize the detection and classification of HRC and interturn fault. In the study by de la Barrera et al. (2014), the voltage between the machine's neutral point and the dc-link negative terminal is measured to detect HRC. In the study de la Barrera et al. (2015), the improved dc signal injection is proposed to generate dc current components in the machine stator and the dc component in the line voltage is extracted online to calculate the HRC indicator. Recently, literature focusing on HRC detection for the PM machine has been put forward. In a study by (Hang et al. 2017; Hang et al. (2019); Hu et al. (2020); Hang et al. (2020b), the HRC is detected based on the zerosequence voltage measured through a resistor network, where the faulty phase can be located and the fault severity can be estimated. In the study by Hang et al. (2020c), flux linkage biases are injected into the flux control loop to generate dc current in the stator. Then, the dc component in the measured zero-sequence voltage is extracted to estimate the resistance deviations. However, for all the fault diagnosis methods based on zero-sequence voltage, the neutral point of the machine must be accessible, which is not always available in real applications. In the study by Hang et al. (2020a), the HRC is detected by estimating the voltage distortions using the reference model. Similar to the idea of Hang et al. (2020b), high-order sliding mode controllers are proposed by Kommuri et al. (2020) to realize HRC-tolerant control and fault

severity estimation. However, the dq-axis current of the faulty PM machine is assumed to be constant by Hang et al., (2020c), which may not be satisfied when the PI current controllers have relatively low control bandwidth or when the HRC resistance deviation is significant. In contrast, the bandwidth of the PI current controllers in the study by Kommuri et al., (2020) is set to be relatively low, which results in the apparent asymmetrics of the stator current when HRC occurs. In application, the current closed-loop control affects both the current and voltage fault features, but this effect has not been well-analyzed in previous works.

In this study, the mathematical model of the HRC-induced 2nd-order components in the dq-axis current and voltage is derived, where the current closed-loop effect is taken into consideration. Based on the established mathematical model, a new HRC diagnosis method is proposed. In the proposed method, not only the location of HRC can be identified but also the HRC severity can be accurately estimated.

The whole article is organized as follows: In Section 2, the model of the PM machine with HRC is established, and the current closed-loop effect is analyzed in Section 3. In Section 4, the proposed HRC diagnosis method is presented. Section 5 validates the proposed diagnosis method by simulations. In addition, experiment results are presented in Section 6 to show the effectiveness of the proposed method. Finally, conclusions are drawn in Section 7.

## 2 PERMANENT MAGNET MACHINE WITH HIGH-RESISTANCE CONNECTION

The HRC in the PM machine can be modeled by adding resistance in the faulty phase. Without loss of generality, the HRC is assumed in phase A, as shown in **Figure 2**, where the  $u_a$ ,  $u_b$ , and  $u_c$  are the stator voltage,  $i_a$ ,  $i_b$ , and  $i_c$  are the stator current,  $R_s$  is the stator phase resistance, and  $\Delta R$  represents the resistance deviation in phase A. Then, the voltage equations of the PM machine under HRC conditions can be expressed as (Hang et al., 2017).



phase A.



$$[u_{abc}] = [R_s][i_{abc}] + \frac{d}{dt}([L_s][i_{abc}]) + [e_{abc}],$$
(1)

where

$$[u_{abc}] = \begin{bmatrix} u_a & u_b & u_c \end{bmatrix}^{\mathrm{T}}, \tag{2}$$

$$[i_{abc}] = \begin{bmatrix} i_a & i_b & i_c \end{bmatrix}^{\mathrm{T}},\tag{3}$$

$$[e_{abc}] = \begin{bmatrix} e_a & e_b & e_c \end{bmatrix}^{\mathrm{T}}, \tag{4}$$

$$[R_s] = \begin{bmatrix} R_s + \Delta R_a & 0 & 0\\ 0 & R_s & 0\\ 0 & 0 & R_s \end{bmatrix},$$
 (5)

$$[L_s] = \begin{bmatrix} L_a & M_{ab} & M_{ac} \\ M_{ab} & L_b & M_{bc} \\ M_{ac} & M_{bc} & L_c \end{bmatrix}.$$
 (6)

The  $e_a$ ,  $e_b$ , and  $e_c$  are the back-EMF of the PM machine. In the stator inductance matrix  $[L_s]$ , the  $L_a$ ,  $L_b$ , and  $L_c$  are the stator phase self-inductance and  $M_{ac}$ ,  $M_{bc}$ , and  $M_{ab}$  are the mutual-inductance. The PM machine model in the synchronous frame can be obtained by applying Park's transform to **Eq. 1**, and it yields.

$$\begin{cases} u_d = R_c i_d + L_d \frac{d}{dt} i_d + e_d + e_{\text{HRCd}} \\ u_q = R_c i_q + L_q \frac{d}{dt} i_q + e_q + e_{\text{HRCq}} \end{cases}, \tag{7}$$

where  $u_d$  and  $u_q$  are the dq-axis voltages,  $i_d$  and  $i_q$  are the dq-axis current, and  $L_d$  and  $L_q$  are the dq-axis inductances of the PM machine. The  $e_d$  and  $e_q$  represent the coupling terms between the dq-axis voltage equations of the PM machine and can be expressed as

$$\begin{cases} e_d = -\omega_e L_q i_q \\ e_q = \omega_e (L_d i_d + \psi_f), \end{cases}$$
(8)

where  $\omega_e$  is the electrical angular speed and  $\psi_f$  is the PM flux linkage. The  $e_{\text{HRC}d}$  and  $e_{\text{HRC}q}$  are the terms introduced by the HRC and can be expressed as follows:

$$\begin{cases} e_{\text{HRC}d} = \frac{1}{3}\Delta Ri_d + \frac{1}{3}\Delta R\cos 2\theta_e i_d - \frac{1}{3}\Delta R\sin 2\theta_e i_q \\ e_{\text{HRC}q} = \frac{1}{3}\Delta Ri_q - \frac{1}{3}\Delta R\sin 2\theta_e i_d - \frac{1}{3}\Delta R\cos 2\theta_e i_q \end{cases}, \quad (9)$$

where  $\theta_e$  is the electrical angle of the PM machine rotor.

In the permanent magnet synchronous power generation (PMSG) and the PM machine drive system, the feed-forward compensation is commonly used to realize the dq-axis decoupling of the PM machine, as shown in **Figure 3**.

Then, the current controller diagram of the PM machine with HRC can be simplified after dq-axis decoupling, as shown in **Figure 4**.

For a healthy PM machine, namely, the  $e_{\text{HRC}d}$  and  $e_{\text{HRC}q}$  equal 0 and the ideal dq-axis currents and voltages are of constant values. But, the  $e_{HRCd}$  and  $e_{HRCq}$  can induce harmonics in the dqaxis currents and voltages. According to Eq. 9, the  $e_{HRCd}$  and  $e_{\text{HRC}q}$  mainly comprise the 2nd-order and dc components. Thus, the 2nd-order component will appear in the dq-axis signals, such as current signals  $i_d$  and  $i_q$ , and the voltage signals  $u_{PId}$  and  $u_{PIq}$ . Figure 5 can be derived from Figure 4A, where only the 2ndorder components are considered (the subscript 2 represents the 2nd-order component). As the HRC can introduce 2nd-order torque to the PM machine (Braunovic et al., 2006), perturbation of the same frequency will be induced in the speed signal. Considering that the  $i_q^*$  is the output of the speed closed-loop controller, the  $i_q^*$  signal will also contain a 2nd-order component  $i_{a,2}^{*}$ , which is significantly affected by the speed closed-loop controller and the mechanical parameters of the machine. Therefore, it can be drawn that the  $i_{q,2}$  and  $u_{PIq,2}$  are also affected by the speed closed-loop controller and the machine's mechanical parameters.







Similarly, the 2nd-order components in the *d*-axis current control diagram can be derived, as shown in **Figure 6**. For the commonly used  $i_d^* = 0$  method in the PM machine drive system, no 2nd-order component exists in the  $i_d^*$  signal. It is apparent that the  $i_{d,2}$  and  $u_{PId,2}$  are generated only by the  $e_{HRCd,2}$  and are independent of the mechanical-related parameters. Thus, the  $i_{d,2}$  and  $u_{PId,2}$  may be better signals for HRC diagnosis.

#### **3 CURRENT CLOSED-LOOP EFFECT**

In this section, the expressions of the  $i_{d,2}$  and  $u_{PId,2}$  for the PM machine with HRC fault are derived in detail, where the current closed-loop effect is taken into consideration. It can be drawn from **Figure 6** that the  $i_{d,2}$  satisfies.

$$\frac{2_{\text{HRC}d,2} - i_{d,2}\left(K_p + \frac{K_i}{2j\omega_e}\right)}{R_s + 2j\omega_e L_d} = i_{d,2},$$
(10)

where  $K_p$  and  $K_i$  are the proportional and integral gains, respectively, and  $\omega_e$  is the electric angular speed of the PM machine. Therefore, the  $i_{d,2}$  and  $u_{\text{PI}d,2}$  satisfy.

$$i_{d,2} = T_{id} e_{\mathrm{HRC}d,2},\tag{11}$$

where  $T_{id}$  is

$$T_{id} = \frac{2j\omega_e}{\left(K_i - 4\omega_e^2 L_d\right) + 2j\omega_e \left(K_p + R_s\right)},$$
(12)

The  $i_{d,2}$  and  $e_{\text{HRC}d,2}$  can be expressed as

$$i_{d,2} = I_{d,2} \cos\left(2\theta_e + \theta_{id,2}\right),\tag{13}$$

$$e_{\text{HRCd},2} = E_{\text{HRCd},2} \cos(2\theta_e + \theta_{e\text{HRCd},2}), \qquad (14)$$

where the  $I_{d,2}$  and  $\theta_{id,2}$  are the amplitude and initial phase angle of the  $i_{d,2}$ . The  $E_{\text{HRC}d,2}$  and  $\theta_{e\text{HRC}d,2}$  are the amplitude and initial phase angle of the  $e_{\text{HRC}d,2}$ , respectively. Also, it has

$$\begin{cases} I_{d,2} = |T_{id}| E_{\text{HRC}d,2} \\ \theta_{id,2} = \theta_{e\text{HRC}d,2} + \arg(T_{id}) \end{cases}$$
(15)

Similarly, the  $u_{PId,2}$  can be expressed as

$$u_{\mathrm{PI}d,2} = U_{\mathrm{PI}d,2} \cos\left(2\theta_e + \theta_{u\mathrm{PI}d,2}\right),\tag{16}$$

where the  $U_{PId,2}$  and  $\theta_{uPId,2}$  are the amplitude and initial phase angle of the  $u_{PId,2}$ , respectively. Also, the  $u_{PId,2}$  satisfies

$$u_{\text{PId},2} = -T_{\text{PI}}i_{d,2} = -T_{\text{PI}}T_{id}e_{\text{HRCd},2}$$
(17)  
=  $T_{ud}e_{\text{HRCd},2}$ ,

where





TABLE 1 | Machine parameters.

| Parameter                           | Value |
|-------------------------------------|-------|
| Phase resistance $r_s(\Omega)$      | 2.5   |
| Phase self-inductance L (mH)        | 7.1   |
| Phase mutual-inductance $M$ (mH)    | 2.2   |
| Pole pairs                          | 4     |
| PM flux linkage $\lambda_{PM}$ (Wb) | 0.281 |

$$T_{\rm PI} = K_p + \frac{K_i}{2j\omega_e},\tag{18}$$

$$\Gamma_{ud} = -\frac{K_i + 2j\omega_e K_p}{(K_i - 4\omega_e^2 L_d) + 2j\omega_e (K_p + R_s)},$$
(19)

where the  $\omega_e$  is the electric angular speed of the PM machine. Thus, it has

$$\begin{cases} U_{\text{PId},2} = |T_{\text{PI}}|I_{d,2} = |T_{ud}|E_{\text{HRCd},2} \\ \theta_{u\text{PId},2} = \theta_{id,2} + \arg(T_{\text{PI}}) + \pi = \theta_{e\text{HRCd},2} + \arg(T_{ud}) \end{cases}$$
(20)



It is apparent that  $|T_{id}|$  and  $|T_{ud}|$  are greatly affected by the values of  $K_p$  and  $K_i$ . Figures 7, 8 show the  $|T_{id}|$  and  $|T_{ud}|$  versus different  $K_p$  and  $K_i$  values, where the PM machine operates at the speed of 300 r/min and its parameters are shown in **Table 1**. For the current closed-loop controller with high bandwidth, namely, when the  $K_p$  and  $K_i$  are relatively large, the amplitude of  $|T_{id}|$  is close to 0, while the  $|T_{ud}|$  is close to 1. Therefore, the  $i_{d,2}$  is well-suppressed by the high bandwidth current closed-loop and only has quite a decreased amplitude. But the  $u_{PId,2}$  has an increased amplitude under this condition. On the contrary, for the current closed-loop controller with low bandwidth, the amplitude of  $u_{PId,2}$  may be small, while the  $i_{d,2}$  may have a relatively larger amplitude.

## 4 HIGH-RESISTANCE CONNECTION DIAGNOSIS

In industrial applications, it is preferred to design a high bandwidth current closed-loop to obtain better control performance of the PM machine. Therefore, the HRC induced  $u_{PId,2}$  commonly has a relatively large amplitude and is more suitable for the diagnosis of HRC.

The frequency tracking algorithm (Hang et al., 2017) is used for online extraction of the 2nd-order component from the  $u_{PId}$ signal, and it has

$$\begin{cases} u_{\text{PI}d,2x} = \text{LP} \left( 2u_{\text{PI}d} \cdot \cos 2\theta_e \right) \\ u_{\text{PI}d,2y} = \text{LP} \left( 2u_{\text{PI}d} \cdot \sin 2\theta_e \right)' \end{cases}$$
(21)



where LP represents the low-pass filter. Thus, the  $u_{PId,2}$  can be written as

$$u_{\mathrm{PI}d,2} = u_{\mathrm{PI}d,2x} \cos 2\theta_e + u_{\mathrm{PI}d,2y} \sin 2\theta_e.$$
(22)

In addition, it has

$$U_{\rm PId,2} = \sqrt{u_{\rm PId,2x}^2 + u_{\rm PId,2y}^2},$$
 (23)

$$\theta_{u \text{PId},2} = \begin{cases} -\arctan \frac{u_{\text{PId},2y}}{u_{\text{PId},2x}} & \text{if } u_{\text{PId},2x} > 0 \\ \frac{\pi}{2} & \text{if } u_{\text{PId},2x} = 0 \\ -\arctan \frac{u_{\text{PId},2y}}{u_{\text{PId},2x}} + \pi & \text{if } u_{\text{PId},2x} < 0 \end{cases}$$
(24)

The amplitude  $U_{PId,2}$  can be defined as the HRC detection indicator, which is 0 in theory for a healthy PM machine. According to (20), the amplitude and initial phase of  $i_{d,2}$  and  $e_{\text{HRC}d,2}$  can be calculated as

$$\begin{cases} I_{d,2} = \frac{U_{\text{Pl}d,2}}{|T_{\text{Pl}}|}, \\ \theta_{id,2} = \theta_{u\text{Pl}d,2} - \pi - \arg(T_{\text{Pl}}) \end{cases}$$
(25)

$$E_{\text{HRCd},2} = \frac{U_{\text{PId},2}}{|T_{ud}|}, \qquad (26)$$
$$\theta_{e\text{HRCd},2} = \theta_{u\text{PId},2} - \arg(T_{ud})$$

where  $T_{PI}$  and  $T_{ud}$  can be easily calculated since the  $\omega_e$  can be obtained through the encoder and the parameters of the current controller are known.

According to **Eq. 9**, for the case that the HRC occurs in phase A, the  $e_{HRCd,2}$  can also be expressed as

$$e_{\text{HRC}d,2} = \frac{1}{3} \Delta R i_{d,2} + \frac{1}{3} \Delta R \cos 2\theta_e i_{d,0} - \frac{1}{3} \Delta R \sin 2\theta_e i_{q,0}$$
$$= \frac{1}{3} \Delta R \left( i_{d,2} + \cos 2\theta_e i_{d,0} - \sin 2\theta_e i_{q,0} \right) \qquad (27)$$
$$= \frac{1}{3} \Delta R C_a,$$

where  $i_{d,0}$  and  $i_{q,0}$  are the dc components of  $i_d$  and  $i_q$ . The  $C_a$  is defined as the characteristic current of phase A and can be obtained by



**FIGURE 11** | Waveforms of the PM machine with HRC ( $\Delta R = 1\Omega$ ) occur in phase A.



$$\begin{split} C_a &= i_{d,2} + \cos 2\theta_e i_{d,0} - \sin 2\theta_e i_{q,0} \\ &= \left( I_{d,2} \cos \theta_{id,2} + i_{d,0} \right) \cos 2\theta_e - \left( I_{d,2} \sin \theta_{id,2} + i_{q,0} \right) \sin 2\theta_e \\ &= I_{ca} \cos \left( 2\theta_e + \theta_{ca} \right), \end{split}$$

where

$$I_{ca} = \sqrt{\left(I_{d,2}\cos\theta_{id,2} + i_{d,0}\right)^2 + \left(I_{d,2}\sin\theta_{id,2} + i_{q,0}\right)^2},$$
 (29)

$$\theta_{ca} = \begin{cases} \arctan \frac{I_{d,2} \sin \theta_{id,2} + i_{q,0}}{I_{d,2} \cos \theta_{id,2} + i_{d,0}} & \text{if } I_{d,2} \cos \theta_{id,2} + i_{d,0} > 0\\ \\ \frac{\pi}{2} & \text{if } I_{d,2} \sin \theta_{d,2} + i_{q,0} = 0 \\ \arctan \frac{I_{d,2} \sin \theta_{id,2} + i_{q,0}}{I_{d,2} \cos \theta_{id,2} + i_{d,0}} + \pi & \text{if } I_{d,2} \cos \theta_{id,2} + i_{d,0} < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$(30)$$

Combining Eqs 14, 27, and 28 yields

$$E_{\text{HRC}d,2} = \frac{1}{3} \Delta R_a I_{ca}$$
  

$$\theta_{e\text{HRC}d,2} = \theta_{ca}$$
(31)

If the HRC occurs in phase B, the  $e_{HRCd,2}$  can be written as

$$e_{\mathrm{HRC}d,2} = \frac{1}{3} \Delta R C_b, \qquad (32)$$

where

$$C_{b} = i_{d,2} + \cos\left(2\theta_{e} + \frac{2\pi}{3}\right)i_{d,0} - \sin\left(2\theta_{e} + \frac{2\pi}{3}\right)i_{q,0}$$
(33)  
=  $I_{cb}\cos\left(2\theta_{e} + \theta_{cb}\right),$ 

Similarly, if the HRC occurs in phase C, the  $e_{HRCd,2}$  can be written as

$$e_{\mathrm{HRC}d,2} = \frac{1}{3} \Delta R C_c, \qquad (34)$$

where

$$C_c = i_{d,2} + \cos\left(2\theta_e - \frac{2\pi}{3}\right)i_{d,0} - \sin\left(2\theta_e - \frac{2\pi}{3}\right)i_{q,0}$$

$$= I_{cc}\cos\left(2\theta_e + \theta_{cc}\right).$$
(35)

The  $I_{cb}$  and  $\theta_{cb}$  are the amplitude and initial phase angle of the  $C_{b}$ , and  $I_{cc}$  and  $\theta_{cc}$  are the amplitude and initial phase angle of the  $C_{c}$ , respectively. If the HRC occurs in phase A, only the  $\theta_{ca}$  equals  $\theta_{eHRCd,2}$ , and the  $\theta_{cb}$  and  $\theta_{cc}$  will keep a distance to the  $\theta_{eHRCd,2}$ . Therefore, the location of the HRC can be simply judged by respectively comparing the extracted  $\theta_{ca}$ ,  $\theta_{cb}$ , and  $\theta_{cc}$  with the calculated  $\theta_{eHRCd,2}$ . Also, after the HRC is located in phase A, the resistance deviation in the faulty phase can be easily calculated according to **Eq. 31**, and it has



(28)



$$\Delta R = \frac{3E_{\text{HRC}d,2}}{I_{ca}}.$$
(36)

**Figure 9** shows the flow chart of the HRC diagnosis process. The online HRC diagnosis process steps are summarized as follows:

**Step 1.** HRC detection. The 2nd-order component of  $u_{PId}$  is extracted online using the frequency tracking algorithm. Then, the HRC can be detected once the amplitude  $U_{PId,2}$  is larger than the preset detection threshold  $U_{th}$ .

**Step 2.** HRC location. After the HRC is detected, the  $e_{HRCd,2}$  and the three HRC characteristic current  $C_a$ ,  $C_b$ , and  $C_c$  are calculated. The characteristic current for the faulty phase has the initial phase closest to the  $\theta_{eHRCd,2}$ .

**Step 3.** HRC severity estimation. After the faulty phase is located, the resistance deviation  $\Delta R$  can be calculated according to the



FIGURE 15 | Experimental platform.



 $E_{HRCd,2}$  and the amplitude of the characteristic current of the faulty phase.

#### **5 SIMULATIONS**

The PM machine drive system with HRC is established in Matlab/ Simulink, where the parameters of the PM machine are listed in **Table 1**.

**Figure 10** shows the simulation results of the PM machine with different  $K_p$  and  $K_i$ , where the PM machine operates with a rated load at a speed of 300 r/min. The  $K_p$  and  $K_i$  are, respectively, set to be 1 and 10 for t $\in$ [0, 0.3]. Before t = 0.15 s, no HRC occurs to the PM machine, and the sinusoidal degree of the stator current is not high because of the low control bandwidth. The ripple in the *d*-axis current  $i_d$  is mainly made up of the 6th-order component, which is caused by the inverter nonlinearity, such as the dead-time effect. But, nearly no 2nd-order component



machine. (A)  $K_p = 1$  and  $K_i = 10$ ; (B)  $K_p = 30$  and  $K_i = 300$ .

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| IADLE Z | Experiment HRC diagnosis results.         |

| Cases           | Fault diagnosis results |                                   |
|-----------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|
|                 | Faulty phase            | Estimated $\Delta R$ ( $\Omega$ ) |
| 0.5Ω in phase A | А                       | 0.46                              |
| 1Ω in phase A   | А                       | 0.96                              |
| 2Ω in phase A   | А                       | 2.07                              |
| 0.5Ω in phase B | В                       | 0.49                              |
| 1Ω in phase C   | C                       | 0.99                              |

exists in the  $i_d$  and  $u_{PId}$ . HRC ( $\Delta R = 1\Omega$ ) is set in phase A at t = 0.15 s, and then the 2nd-order component appears in the  $i_d$  and  $u_{PId}$  signals. In addition, for the larger  $K_p$  and  $K_i$  (the higher control bandwidth), the harmonics in the stator current are well-suppressed by the current closed-loop controller. The  $I_{d,2}$  decreases with the increase of control bandwidth, while the

 $U_{PId,2}$  increases with the increase of control bandwidth, which agrees well with the analysis in **Section 3**.

Considering that the high bandwidth current closed-loop is preferred in industry application, the case  $K_p = 30$  and  $K_i = 300$  is analyzed in the following part. Figure 11 shows the waveforms of the PM machine operating with rated load at a speed of 300 r/ min, where the HRC ( $\Delta R = 1\Omega$ ) occurs in phase A at t = 0.3 s. With the high bandwidth current closed-loop control, the stator current is well-controlled to be sinusoidal, and nearly no changes can be seen in the stator current after the HRC occurs. But when the HRC ( $\Delta R = 1\Omega$ ) occurs in phase A at t = 0.3 s, the amplitude of  $U_{PId,2}$  immediately increases, and the HRC can be detected when the  $U_{PId,2}$  is larger than the preset detection threshold  $U_{\text{th}}$ . After the HRC is detected, the HRC location and severity estimation is activated. It can be seen in **Figure 11** that the extracted  $\theta_{ca}$  is quite closest to the  $\theta_{eHRCd,2}$ . Thus, the HRC can be located in phase A. The calculated  $\Delta R$  eventually converges to 0.98 $\Omega$ , which agrees well with the real  $\Delta R$  value.

Figure 12 shows the waveforms of the PM machine operating with rated load at a speed of 300 r/min, where the HRC ( $\Delta R$  = 0.5 $\Omega$ ) occurs in phase C at t = 0.3 s. The HRC can be quickly detected in less than 0.1 s, and the faulty phase can be accurately located in phase C. In addition, the estimated  $\Delta R$  is 0.49 $\Omega$  and is almost the same as the theoretical value. More simulations are conducted for the PM machine operating under different conditions, where the HRC ( $\Delta R = 0.5\Omega$ ) is set in phase A. Figure 13A shows the estimated  $\Delta R$  for the PM machine operating with rated load at different speeds. Also, Figure 13B shows the estimated  $\Delta R$  for the PM machine operating with different loads at 300 r/min. It is shown in Figure 13 that the estimated  $\Delta R$  is quite accurate under most operating conditions. But the  $\Delta R$  cannot be directly estimated for the PM machine with a very light load. This is because the HRC-induced fault feature is dependent on the stator current, which only has small amplitude under light load. The *d*-axis current injection is used to solve this problem.

**Figure 14** shows the waveforms of the HRC detection under 10% load at 300 r/min speed. After HRC ( $\Delta R = 0.5\Omega$ ) occurs in phase A at t = 0.1 s, the extracted amplitude  $U_{PId,2}$  remains smaller than the  $U_{\text{th}}$ , and the HRC may not be detected. With the *d*-axis current of 1.5 A injected into the machine, the stator current amplitude is immediately increased. However, the transient voltage in the  $u_{PId}$  signal can cause a large





fluctuation to the extracted  $U_{PId,2}$  and lead to a false diagnosis result, as shown in the shadow part in **Figure 14**. But a simple time delay can be inserted after the *d*-axis current injection to avoid the transient voltage effect. As shown in **Figure 14**, the estimated  $\Delta R$  converges to  $0.48\Omega$  about 0.2 s after the *d*-axis current injection, and the faulty phase is located in phase A. It is worth mentioning that the interturn fault in the stator can also induce the 2nd-order component in the  $i_d$  and  $u_{PId}$  (Ebrahimi and Faiz, 2010), which might cause false detection for the proposed method. The *d*-axis current injection can also be used to realize the discrimination between the HRC and interturn fault since the HRC fault feature can be apparently enlarged, while the interturn fault feature may not vary obviously due to the *d*-axis current injection (Urresty et al., 2015).

## **6 EXPERIMENT**

An experimental platform has been built to validate the proposed method, as shown in **Figure 15**. The PM machine-1 and PM machine-2 have the same parameters as presented in **Table 1**, and the PM machine-1 is used as a load, while PM machine-2 is used as the test machine. The HRC can be implemented by connecting an additional resistor in series with the phase winding, as shown in **Figure 16**. Also, the parallel switches are used to control whether the additional resistor is inserted.

**Figure 17** shows the experimental waveforms of the PM machine operating at 300 r/min with rated load. Also, the HRC ( $\Delta R = 1\Omega$ ) is set in phase A. In **Figure 13A**, the parameters of the current closed-loop controller are set as  $K_p = 1$  and  $K_i = 10$ . After the occurrence of HRC, the  $u_{PId,2x}$  increases to 0.05 V and the  $u_{PId,2y}$  changes to -0.14 V. Thus, the amplitude of  $U_{PId,2}$  can be obtained based on **Eq. 23**, and it is only around 0.15 V. In **Figure 17B**, the current closed-loop controller

parameters are set as  $K_p = 30$  and  $K_i = 300$ . After the same HRC occurs to phase A, the extracted  $u_{PId,2x}$  is 0.04V and the  $u_{PId,2y}$  is to -0.56 V. Therefore, the amplitude  $U_{PId,2}$  is 0.56 V, and it is much larger than the case where  $K_p = 1$  and  $K_i = 10$ , which agrees well with the analysis in **Section 3**. The experiment results considering different cases of HRC conditions are presented in **Table 2**, where the PM machine operates at 300 r/min with rated load. Also, the current closed-loop controller parameters are set as  $K_p = 30$  and  $K_i = 300$ . It can be seen that the faulty phase can be accurately located, and the estimated  $\Delta R$ values are quite close to the theoretical ones.

To further validate the proposed method, more experiments are conducted under different operating conditions. The HRC ( $\Delta R$  = 1 $\Omega$ ) is set in phase C. The  $K_p$  and  $K_i$  are set to be 30 and 300, respectively. It can be seen in **Figure 18** that the  $\Delta R$  can be accurately estimated at different operating conditions. In Figure 18B, the estimated  $\Delta R$  is obtained with *d*-axis current injection. Also, the corresponding waveforms are shown in Figure 19. As the PM machine operates at 300 r/min with only 15% load, the extracted  $u_{PId,2x}$  and  $u_{PId,2y}$  are 0.06 V; thus, the  $U_{PId,2}$  only has a value of 0.085 V, which is not larger than the detection threshold of 0.1 V, and the HRC fault may not be detected. By injecting the d-axis current of 1 A into the PM machine, the stator current is increased, and the fault feature is also enlarged as a result. It can be seen in **Figure 15** that the  $u_{PId,2x}$  changes to -0.16 V and the  $u_{PId,2y}$  rises to -0.27 V after a short transient period. The expanded  $U_{Pld,2}$  is 0.31 V; thus, the HRC can be detected under the light load condition.

# **7 CONCLUSION**

The HRC can induce a 2nd-order component in the dq-axis signals of the PM machine. However, as the current closed-loop bandwidth increases, the 2nd-order components in the dq-axis voltage increase.

But, the 2nd-order components in the dq-axis current have an opposite trend. This study derives the mathematical model of the HRC-induced 2nd-order components in the dq-axis current and voltage. Also a new HRC diagnosis method is proposed based on the established mathematical model. In the proposed method, not only the location but also the resistance deviation  $\Delta R$  can be accurately estimated. Also, the proposed method has been proven by the simulation and experiment results.

## DATA AVAILABILITY STATEMENT

The raw data supporting the conclusion of this article will be made available by the authors, without undue reservation.

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