

Comparison Study of Passive EMI Filter and Hybrid EMI Filter for Motor Drive Applications

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MOTIVATION

Hybrid electromagnetic interference (EMI) filter combining an active EMI filter (AFE) and a passive EMI filter could lead to lower weight than a pure passive EMI filter. This work compares experimentally the EMI noise suppression performance between conventional passive EMI filter and hybrid EMI filter for a DC-fed motor drive based on two-level voltage source inverter (VSI). Both DC-side Common-Mode (CM) and Differential-Mode (DM) noise are considered. Potential benefits with AEF technology are investigated.

CONCLUSIONS AND PROSPECTIVES

- In the preliminary experiment stage, conclusions can be made that hybrid EMI filter is contributing to the overall filter weight to some extend with no sacrifice of noise attenuation compared to conventional passive filter.
- In prospective experiments, DM noise is expected to be attained for evaluating the performance of hybrid EMI filter on DM noise attenuation. Adjustments on parameter design and hardware design are expected for having enough attenuation according to preliminary anticipations on noise attenuation.

SELECTED TEST SET-UP

Test Set-Up and Specifications:

Two-Level VSI with a motor running at 1200 rpm DC Input: 400V, 0.7A Modulation Index: 0.25



CM & DM NOISE COLLECTION



FILTER PARAMETER DESIGN RESULTS

Selected Two-Stage LC EMI Filter Topology:

