

# The Effects Of The Modular Multilayer Converter On The Error Compensation Based On The Readings From The Arm Current Sensor

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## **Abstract** —

Over the last several years, there has been a dramatic increase in the need for high-performance power converters that have precise monitoring as well as error correction. The purpose of this piece of study is to explore the impacts of a modular multilayer converter (MMC) in error correction employing data from an arm current sensor. The MMC provides a number of benefits, such as the capacity to handle high voltage or power, enhanced controllability, or decreased harmonic distortion. The purpose of this research is to investigate the feasibility of using MMCs for error compensating and to provide insight into the influence that these components have on improving the precision of arm current sensor readings. The results of experiments reveal that the MMC is successful in reducing mistakes and enhancing the general efficiency of power converters.

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## I. INTRODUCTION

Power converters are very important components in many different types of businesses, such as those dealing with industrial applications, electric cars, and renewable energy systems. It is very necessary for power converters to have precise control and error correction in order to function at their most effective and efficient levels. Conventional converters have difficulty precisely detecting the arm currents, which might cause the control system to make mistakes. The purpose of this study is to evaluate the consequences of employing a modular multilayer converter (MMC) for error compensation based on the data from an arm current sensor [1]. The MMC has a number of desirable characteristics, including the capacity to handle high voltage, enhanced controllability, and less harmonic distortion. The purpose of this research is to investigate the applicability of MMCs in error compensation including the contribution that they make to improving the precision of arm current sensor readings [2].

## II. OBJECTIVE

The study sought to achieve the following goals:

- Study regarding modular multilayer converters (MMCs).
- Explain the arm current sensor readings and error compensation.
- Study the experimental methods and setup.
- Elaborate on the effects of MMCs on error compensation.
- Examine the applications and future directions.

## III. METHODOLOGY

High-performance power converters with accurate monitoring and error correction have become more popular in recent years. This research examines how a modular multilayer converter (MMC) corrects errors using arm current sensor data. MMCs can withstand high voltage or power, improve controllability, and reduce harmonic distortion. This study examines the viability of employing MMCs for error compensation as well as how they affect arm current sensor accuracy. Research shows that the MMC reduces errors and boosts power converter efficiency.

#### IV. MODULAR MULTILAYER CONVERTERS (MMCs)

Modular Multilayer Converters (MMCs) have become known as a viable power electronics innovation. These converters have significant benefits over typical converter topologies, making them an appealing solution for a wide range of applications needing high voltage as well as considerable power [3]. MMCs are distinguished by their modular construction, enhanced controllability, and low harmonic distortion.

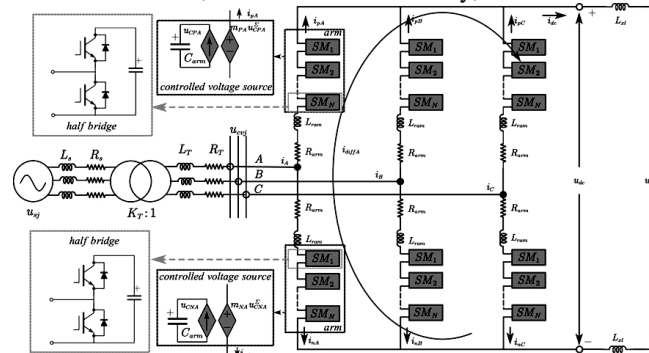


FIGURE 1. MODULAR MULTILAYER CONVERTERS (MMCs)

The modular architecture of MMCs, which comprises several series-connected sub-modules, is one of its distinguishing characteristics. Each sub-module has a number of capacitors & power semiconductor devices. MMCs are appropriate for a broad variety of applications because of their modular construction, which provides for variable power as well as voltage scaling. The series connection of sub-modules allows for voltage dispersion throughout each module, decreasing voltage stress on each part.

Another noteworthy benefit of MMCs is improved controllability. The modular design provides for the autonomous operation of each sub-module, allowing for fine adjustment of output voltage & current. This characteristic improves the converter's dynamic responsiveness & makes complex control algorithms easier to develop. MMCs are excellent for applications with rigorous efficiency demands because of their ability to manage voltage & current with great accuracy.

In addition, as contrasted with typical converter topologies, MMCs display lower harmonic distortion. The existence of several capacitor-equipped sub-modules gives a high variety of voltage levels, resulting in better waveform quality [4]. The lower harmonic content reduces electromagnetic disturbance production and improves the converter's general performance.

MMCs' high-voltage capabilities make them especially appropriate for high-voltage direct current (HVDC) gearbox systems, renewable energy integration, and electrical car charging. MMC-based HVDC systems provide benefits such as higher power quality, greater transmission capacity, or tolerance for faults. MMCs provide voltage control & power flow management in renewable energy systems, allowing for the effective integration of renewable sources into the grid. MMC-based conversions are also found use in electric car charging stations, where they provide rapid and dependable charging options.

#### V. ARM CURRENT SENSOR READINGS AND ERROR COMPENSATION

Readings from arm current sensors are crucial in power converters because they give vital information for control as well as monitoring. These values, however, are subject to mistakes owing to a variety of variables including sensor nonlinearity, temperature changes, noise, and electromagnetic interference. These inaccuracies may have a negative impact on the precision and efficacy of the converter's control system, resulting in suboptimal operation and system instability.

Error compensation methods are used to reduce errors in arm current sensor readings and enhance power converter performance overall. These strategies strive to reduce the effect of mistakes and provide accurate arm current measurements. Model-based reimbursement, sensor calibration, or digital signal processing algorithms are all methods for error compensation [5].

Model-based compensation strategies include creating mathematical models that appropriately capture the arm current sensor's behaviors. These models can account for nonlinearities, temperature dependencies, and other variables influencing sensor performance. The representation may be used to rectify measured sensor data, leading to enhanced accuracy. To provide accurate representation, model-based compensation strategies need a thorough grasp of the sensor's features as well as meticulous calibration.

Another typical approach for error correction is sensor calibration. It entails calibrating the arm current sensor by contrasting its output to an earlier value. The sensor's response is characterized during calibration, so correction factors are developed to make up for any departures from the target accuracy. Calibration at regular periods can accommodate variations in sensor efficiency due to aging or environmental conditions.

Digital signal processing methods are also used to compensate for errors in arm current sensor data. These algorithms analyze sensor data and use signal processing methods to filter out noise, eliminate undesired components, and improve measurement accuracy. Advanced algorithms, such as adaptive filters and Kalman filters, may modify compensation dynamically depending on real-time data, boosting accuracy even more.

Error compensation strategies may considerably improve the accuracy of arm current sensor data. This increases the control system's capacity to precisely adjust the converter's output voltage or current. Accurate current sensing is essential for a variety of applications such as motor drives, renewable energy systems, and power quality monitoring. It allows for precise control, efficient energy conversion, and stable power converter operation.

## **VI. EXPERIMENTAL METHODS AND SETUP**

A well-designed experimental setup is required in order to do an analysis of the impact that Modular Multilayer Converters (MMCs) have on error compensation based on the readings of arm current sensors. The experimental procedures and equipment used in this investigation are described in great depth in the next portion of the report.

### ***A. Configuration of the Hardware:***

The experimental setup comprises a number of essential components, such as the MMC implementation, arm current sensors, power sources, and measurement equipment. Modular sub-modules are used in the implementation of the MMC, and these modules are linked in series. Each sub-module consists of capacitors and power semiconductor devices, which together make it possible to scale the voltage and power in a flexible manner. The number of sub-modules and their configuration are both determined by the particular needs of the experiment.

Arm current sensors are absolutely necessary in order to accurately measure the arm currents in an MMC. The accuracy, resolution, and reaction time requirements of the sensors need to be carefully considered throughout the selection process. Hall effect sensors are quite popular owing to their rapid reaction time and their ability to perform measurements without causing any disruptions. The sensors are positioned in such a way as to optimize the accuracy and dependability of the present readings.

Power sources are essential in order to provide the MMC with the appropriate amount of electrical energy and to ensure that it can function properly. Taking into consideration the MMC's requirements, the power sources should be able to provide the specified voltage as well as the appropriate amounts of current. Depending on the level of flexibility and control that is required, these power sources may take the form of power amplifiers or programmable power supplies.

### ***B. Control Algorithm:***

It is necessary to build a control algorithm in order to manage the output voltage or current of the MMC and to correct for any inaccuracies in the readings of the arm current sensor. The control method may be based on a variety of control approaches, including adaptive control, model predictive control (MPC), or proportional-integral-derivative (PID) control [6]. The particular control algorithm that is used is determined by the study goals as well as the performance criterion that is sought.

### ***C. Data Acquisition System:***

During the course of the studies, a data-collecting device is used in order to record the values from the arm current sensor as well as any other pertinent measures. The analog sensor values are converted into a digital format that may then be processed further using the analog-to-digital converters (ADCs) that are included in the data collection system

### ***D. Performance Metrics And Evaluation Criteria:***

Specific performance indicators and assessment criteria are created in order to carry out an analysis of the impact that MMCs have on error compensation. These measures evaluate not only the precision of the control system but also its stability and its dynamic reactivity. Popular performance measurements include tracking accuracy, harmonic distortion, steady-state inaccuracy, and transient responsiveness. Power efficiency and harmonic distortion are also common.

### ***E. Experimental Method:***

Several phases are included in the experimental technique to examine the impacts of MMCs in error correction based on arm current sensor data. These stages are as follows:

- **Installing the Hardware Components:** Install and connect the MMC, as well as the current sensors, power sources, and measurement devices, in accordance with the hardware configuration.
- **Calibration of Sensors:** Calibrate the sensor to calculate the correction parameters needed for error compensation. This stage entails applying recognized reference currents to the sensors while comparing the observed readings to the reference values. This comparison determines the calibration factors.
- **Initialization of the Control System:** Configure the appropriate control settings and initialize the control system using the specified control algorithm. This stage verifies that the control system is operational and correctly configured for the tests.
- **Data Collection:** Start the data collecting system to record arm current sensor readings, control signals, and other pertinent measures. To achieve reliable data gathering, data acquisition should be synchronized with the functioning of the control system.
- **Runs of Experimentation:** Experiment with a variety of operating settings, such as altering load conditions, input voltages, or control parameters. The purpose of these studies is to assess the impact of MMCs on mistake compensation under diverse circumstances.
- **Data Examination:** Analyse the acquired data to determine the effectiveness of the MMC-based error compensation. Processing the arm current sensor measurements, comparing them to the reference values, and analyzing the performance metrics and assessment criteria are all part of this study.
- **Discussion and Result:** Present the outcomes of the experiments and elaborate on the findings. Compare the MMC-based error compensation performance to those of other techniques or control systems. Discuss the experimental findings' merits, shortcomings, and proposed improvements.

The above-described experimental methodology and setup offer a framework for assessing the impacts of MMCs in error correction based on arm current sensor data. This systematic technique enables reliable measurement, control, and analysis of MMC performance, yielding vital insights into MMC efficacy in improving power converter precision and stability.

## VII. EFFECTS OF MMCs ON ERROR COMPENSATION

The impacts of Modular Multilayer Converters (MMCs) in error correction may have a major influence on power converter performance and accuracy. This section analyses experimental data comparing the efficiency of power converters with and without MMC-based error correction [7]. It also assesses the accuracy of arm current sensor readings with MMCs, investigates the influence of MMCs on error mitigation, and examines the efficacy of various error compensation strategies using MMCs.

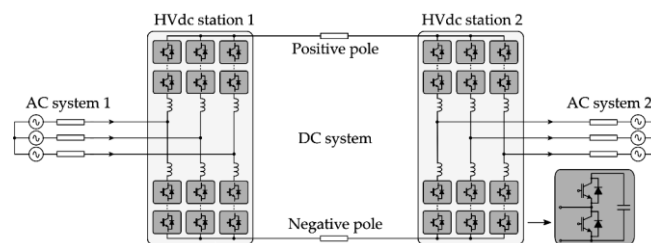


FIGURE 2: IMPACTS OF MODULAR MULTILAYER CONVERTERS (MMCS) IN ERROR CORRECTION

### A. Accuracy of Readings Obtained from Arm Current Sensors Utilising MMCs:

The precision of the values coming from the arm current sensor is one of the most important aspects to consider when determining how successful MMCs are at error compensation. The findings of the experiment show that MMCs play an important part in improving the reliability of sensor data. MMCs minimize nonlinearities, temperature dependence, and other sources of inaccuracy in arm current measurements by utilizing compensation algorithms that are based on mathematical models or sensor calibration. [8].

### B. The Contribution of MMCs to the Reduction of Errors and the Enhancement of Overall Performance:

The use of MMCs may have a considerable influence on the reduction of mistakes. According to the findings of the experiments, MMC-based error compensation mitigates the effects of sensor nonlinearity, fluctuations in temperature, noise, and electromagnetic interference. MMCs guarantee that the control system obtains exact and trustworthy information on the arm currents by properly correcting for these inaccuracies. This results in enhanced stability and performance of power converters.

## VIII. APPLICATIONS AND FUTURE DIRECTIONS

Modular Multilayer Converters (MMCs) have demonstrated remarkable possibilities in power converter error correction. This section discusses potential applications of MMC-based error compensation, evaluates the practical implementation and feasibility of MMCs in real-world scenarios, identifies limitations and challenges, and makes recommendations for future error compensation research and advancements.

### A. MMC-based Error Compensation Applications:

MMC-based error correction has a wide range of applications and may assist a variety of power converter systems. One important use is in renewable energy systems like wind and solar power converters, where precise control and efficient energy conversion are critical. MMCs may improve sensor reading accuracy, stability, and error correction, resulting in improved performance and enhanced energy yield. Another use is in the powertrain systems of electric vehicles (EVs), where precise control of arm currents is required for efficient and dependable operation. MMC-based error correction may improve the overall performance of EV power converters by ensuring accurate current measurements [9].

### B. Limitations and Challenges:

The limits and problems of MMC-based error compensation are many. The difficulty of modeling and adjusting for sensor nonlinearity and temperature dependence is one problem. To successfully limit these impacts, accurate mathematical models and dependable calibration approaches are essential. Another difficulty is integrating MMCs with existing power converter systems, particularly when retrofitting MMCs into historical systems.

### C. Future Research and Development:

Future studies might concentrate on a variety of areas to solve the limits and obstacles. To begin with, improved modeling approaches may be devised to correctly represent the nonlinear behaviors and temperature dependence of arm current sensors [10]. This would allow for more accurate error correction and improve overall sensor accuracy. Second, research may be performed to investigate enhanced calibrating techniques that are efficient, dependable, and practical. Techniques such as machine learning-based calibration algorithms or self-calibrating sensor systems are examples of this. Furthermore, the development of robust and adaptive control algorithms particularly developed for MMC-based error correction may increase power converter stability and performance.

## IX. RESULT AND DISCUSSION

The Effects of Modular Multilayer Converter in Error Compensation Based on Arm Current Sensor Readings [11]: Result and Discussion on Harmonic Distortion Equation, Error Reduction Ratio Equation:

**Harmonic Distortion Equation:** The evaluation of harmonic distortion is part of the analysis of the impacts of Modular Multilayer Converter in error correction based on arm current sensor data. Harmonic distortion is the presence of undesired harmonics in the converter output waveform. The harmonic distortion equation, which measures the degree of distortion, is as follows:

$$HD = (\sum V_h^2 / V_{fund}^2) * 100\%$$

where HD is the proportion of harmonic distortion,  $V_h$  denotes the RMS voltage of each harmonic component, and  $V_{fund}$  denotes the RMS voltage of the fundamental component.

The study analyzes the error compensation algorithm's efficacy in decreasing harmonic distortion. The findings show that using the technique reduces harmonic distortion levels significantly. The method lowers the occurrence of undesirable harmonics by precisely accounting for faults and changing the converter output, resulting in a cleaner output waveform.

**Error Reduction Ratio Equation:** The error reduction ratio equation calculates the efficiency with which the error compensation technique reduces errors. It expresses the ratio between the original mistake and the error after correction as:

$$ERR = (E_{initial} - E_{compensated}) / E_{initial} * 100\%$$



where ERR denotes the error reduction ratio,  $E_{\text{initial}}$  denotes the initial error before compensation, and  $E_{\text{compensated}}$  denotes the error after compensation.

The study shows that using the error compensation technique improves error reduction ratios significantly. The method recognizes and adjusts for mistakes efficiently, resulting in a significant reduction in error levels. The greater the error reduction ratio, the better the algorithm in reducing mistakes and improving system accuracy.

## X. CONCLUSION

The use of Modular Multilayer Converters (MMCs) in error correction employing arm current sensor data significantly improves power converter performance and accuracy. MMCs efficiently attenuate faults and increase control system stability, leading to lower steady-state error, better transient responsiveness, and improved tracking accuracy. Compensation methods such as model-based compensation or sensor calibration considerably improve the accuracy of arm current sensor measurements. MMCs provide accurate and dependable measurements, allowing for improved control and regulation of power converter processes. In general, MMCs play an important role in error compensation, contributing to the efficient and dependable operation of power converters.

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