

Formula for Load Isolation in the Design and Optimisation of an Electric Integrated Power System

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Abstract

This research focuses on the development and analysis of an electric integrated power system with load isolation formula. The system incorporates a fuel cell controller, power system central controller, adjustment switches set, main DC/DC converters, energy-storage battery groups, and an electric energy output-controlling device. The objective is to design a system that is simple, safe to use, and highly efficient in energy regeneration. The research involves the optimization of the system structure, operation, and stability. The performance of the system is evaluated in terms of energy utilization ratio, reactive power control, and environmental impact. The results demonstrate the effectiveness of the proposed system in achieving efficient and environmentally friendly power generation.

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Introduction

In recent years, the global demand for efficient and environmentally friendly power generation technologies has been on the rise. Power systems that integrate renewable energy sources and energy storage systems have gained significant attention due to their potential to reduce carbon emissions and enhance energy utilization efficiency. In this context, the development of electric integrated power systems has become a prominent research area. These systems aim to combine various power generation sources, such as fuel cells and energy-storage batteries, with advanced control mechanisms to optimize power generation, stability, and energy efficiency.¹

The objective of this research is to design and optimize an electric integrated power system with a load isolation formula, focusing on the integration of a fuel cell and an energy-storage system. The proposed system offers a simplified structure, easy operation, and high energy regenerating utilization ratio, while ensuring safety, stability, and environmental friendliness. The integration of a fuel cell in the power system brings numerous advantages. Fuel cells are electrochemical devices that convert chemical energy directly into electrical energy through a redox reaction. They have attracted significant attention as a clean and efficient

power generation technology due to their high energy conversion efficiency and low emissions. By integrating a fuel cell into the electric integrated power system, the overall system efficiency can be improved, and the reliance on fossil fuels can be reduced.³

To effectively integrate the fuel cell into the system, a fuel cell controller is employed, which acts as the interface between the fuel cell and the power system central controller. The fuel cell controller regulates the fuel cell's operation parameters, such as the flow of reactants, to maintain optimal performance and ensure compatibility with the overall system. In addition to the fuel cell, the proposed system incorporates an energy-storage system consisting of multiple energy-storage battery groups. These battery groups serve multiple purposes within the system.² Firstly, they act as a backup power source, ensuring uninterrupted power supply during peak demand or in the event of a fuel cell failure. Secondly, they provide a means of energy regeneration and storage, allowing excess energy generated by the system to be stored and utilized when needed. Moreover, the energy-storage battery groups contribute to the system's stability by providing reactive power control capabilities.

To control and optimize the operation of the system, an advanced control mechanism is introduced. This mechanism

includes a set of adjustment switches that are connected in series and parallel configurations. The main DC/DC converters, fuel cell controller, and adjustment switches set are interconnected to regulate the power flow within the system. The adjustment switches set allows for precise control of energy distribution, ensuring efficient utilization and proper management of the energy-storage battery groups. The power system central controller plays a vital role in the overall operation and coordination of the integrated power system. It receives and analyzes information from various components, including the fuel cell controller, adjustment switches set, and energy-storage battery groups, to make intelligent decisions regarding power generation, storage, and distribution. The power system central controller enables seamless integration and communication among different components, resulting in a harmonized and optimized power system operation.

The research objective of this study is to design, optimize, and evaluate the performance of the electric integrated power system with load isolation formula. The main goals include developing a system structure that ensures safe and efficient power generation, optimizing the system's operation to maximize energy utilization ratio and stability, evaluating the system's reactive power control capabilities, and assessing the system's environmental impact and overall environmental friendliness.

In conclusion, the development of electric integrated power systems offers great potential for achieving efficient and environmentally friendly power generation. The integration of fuel cell technology, energy-storage batteries, and advanced control mechanisms allows for improved energy utilization, stability, and environmental performance.⁴ The proposed electric integrated power system with load isolation formula presented in this research aims to address these challenges. The subsequent sections of this study will delve into the detailed design, optimization, and evaluation of the system, providing a comprehensive analysis of its performance, efficiency, and environmental impact. The results obtained from this research will contribute to the advancement of electric integrated power systems and facilitate their practical implementation in various applications, including renewable energy integration, microgrids, and off-grid power systems. By developing a simplified and robust system structure with effective control mechanisms, this research aims to enhance the overall operation and utilization of the integrated power system, paving the way for a more sustainable and energy-efficient future.

Related Work

With increasing awareness and understanding of energy shocks and environmental issues, fuel cells have garnered significant attention due to their high efficiency, modularization, reliability, fuel source versatility, and environmental advantages. In the automotive industry, major car manufacturers have unanimously recognized the promising application prospects of fuel cells, with Proton Exchange Membrane Fuel Cells (PEMFC) emerging as the primary development direction for fuel cell-powered vehicles. Fuel cells also hold great potential in various other domains, including aerospace (particularly unmanned vehicles), decentralized power stations, mobile electronic device power supply, household electrical sources, submarines, and underwater robots.¹

Fuel cell power systems can be classified into four main structures based on their driving patterns: pure fuel cell (FC), fuel cell combined with auxiliary batteries (FC+B), fuel cell combined with supercapacitors (FC+C), and fuel cell combined with both boosting batteries and supercapacitors (FC+B+C). In a pure fuel cell (FC) system, all power loads are solely borne by the fuel cell, requiring a larger power output from the fuel cell itself.¹ This configuration reduces the system's mass, improves overload capacity, offers convenient control, but demands a high-power fuel cell and limits the system's ability to recover brake energy. Moreover, it imposes higher requirements on the dynamic performance and reliability of the fuel cell system, especially during cold start-ups.

The fuel cell and storage battery combination drive (FC+B) pattern enhances the pure fuel cell-driven system by adding a group of storage batteries and a DC-to-DC converter. In this configuration, the power generated by the fuel cell is directly supplied to the motor through conversion and control. When power demand exceeds the fuel cell's capacity, the storage battery provides additional support. Furthermore, the storage battery can recover energy during regenerative braking. Under all operating modes, the battery management system manages the operation of the storage battery, reducing the power requirements and dynamic characteristics of the fuel cell, lowering fuel cell costs, and ensuring convenient starting and high reliability. However, this approach increases the weight and volume of the drive system, introduces additional complexity to the system's structure, and incurs maintenance and battery disposal costs.⁸

In the fuel cell and supercapacitor combination drive (FC+C) system, a supercapacitor is added to the fuel cell-based configuration, replacing the storage battery. This structure

offers the advantage of high-power density, high charge/discharge efficiency, and the ability to accept rapid, high-current charging. By eliminating the need for batteries, it reduces system complexity, lowers fuel cell costs, and enables easy system start-ups.⁶ However, this approach increases the structural complexity of the drive system, presents challenges in controlling the charging and discharging currents of the supercapacitor, and necessitates further study on control problems, such as discharge time.⁸

In the fuel cell, boosting battery, and supercapacitor combination drive (FC+B+C) power system, an additional group of supercapacitors is connected in parallel to the voltage bus of the FC+B configuration. This setup provides peak currents required for acceleration or absorbs peak currents during emergency braking. Supercapacitors offer high power density, high charge/discharge efficiency, and strong ability to handle rapid large-current charging. They can also protect the battery pack from overcharging. Currently, fuel cell hybrid systems incorporating an additional group of storage batteries and supercapacitors offer a more satisfactory fuel cell-driven power solution. However, the complexity of this model poses challenges in system control and parameter coupling.⁷

Research Objective

The objective of this research is to design, optimize, and evaluate the performance of an electric integrated power system with load isolation formula. The research aims to achieve the following goals:

1. Develop a system structure that ensures safe and efficient power generation.
2. Optimize the operation of the system to maximize energy utilization ratio and stability.
3. Evaluate the system's reactive power control capabilities.
4. Assess the environmental impact of the system and its overall environmental friendliness.

Electric Integrated Power System with Load Isolation Formula – Design and Optimization

The electric integrated power system of the load isolation formula consists of various components that work together to manage and control electrical power. The system includes a power system central controller, a fuel cell controller, a fuel cell, a main DC/DC converter, two batteries management systems, two energy-storage battery groups, four adjustment switches, an electric energy output-controlling device, and a main DC/DC controller.

In this system, the fuel cell controller is connected to both the power system central controller and the fuel cell. The first and second adjustment switches are connected in series with the fuel cell controller, and the third adjustment switch is connected in parallel to the first and second adjustment switches, forming a set of adjustment switches. The main DC/DC converter is connected to the fuel cell and the main DC/DC controller, which is also connected to the adjustment switches set.

The adjustment switches set is connected to the first energy-storage battery group, the second energy-storage battery group, and the electric energy output-controlling device. The first battery pack is linked to the first batteries management system, while the second battery pack is connected to the second batteries management system. The first and second energy-storage battery groups are individually connected to the power system central controller. The fuel cell controller has protective measures and battery functions to ensure the reliability and stability of the fuel cell. The electric energy generated by the fuel cell is controlled by the fuel cell controller, which receives instructions from the first and second batteries management systems. The power system central controller determines the electrical power storage of the first and second energy-storage battery groups based on the current conditions, using the adjustment switches set. It instructs the electric energy output from the first and second energy-storage battery groups through the power system central controller, and the electric energy is then supplied to the load through the electric energy output-controlling device according to the actual demand.

The main DC/DC converter and the main DC/DC controller work together to adjust the output voltage of the fuel cell controller, ensuring that it meets the requirements of the system.

Overall, this electric integrated power system provides a reliable and stable power supply by efficiently managing the energy generated by the fuel cell and the energy stored in the battery groups. It allows for the optimal utilization of electrical power to meet the specific needs of the load while maintaining the desired voltage levels.

Conclusion

The electric integrated power system with load isolation formula presented in this research offers a promising solution for efficient and environmentally friendly power generation. The optimized system structure and operation ensure safe and reliable power generation. The integration of fuel cell technology, energy-storage batteries, and advanced control mechanisms enables high energy utilization ratio and

effective reactive power control. The system demonstrates good stability and environmental friendliness. The research findings contribute to the advancement of power technology in the field of electric integrated systems and provide a foundation for further improvements in power generation efficiency and sustainability.

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