# DHAFER ALMAKHLES

### ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR | SENIOR MEMBER, IEEE

**FACULTY MEMBER** 

**AUG 2016 - PRESENT** 

**COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING** PRINCE SULTAN UNIVERSITY

**CHAIRMAN OF AUG 2019 - PRESENT** 

ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

PRINCE SULTAN UNIVERSITY

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**DIRECTOR OF MAY 2017 - PRESENT** 

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY UNIT AND INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY OFFICE PRINCE SULTAN UNIVERSITY

**FOUNDER AND LEADER** 

JAN 2019 - PRESENT

RENEWABLE ENERGY LABORATORY PRINCE SULTAN UNIVERSITY

### **Education**

University of Auckland - Ranked 1st and Leading University in NZ Jan. 2011 - Sep. 2015 PhD in Electrical & Electronics Engineering Auckland, New Zealand

Thesis: Two-level Dynamic Quantizers for Feedback Control Systems

**University of Auckland** Jun. 2009 - July 2010 Master in Electrical & Electronics Engineering Auckland, New Zealand

King Fahd University of Petroleum and Minerals

Bachelor in Electrical Engineering Dhahran, Saudi Arabia

# Experience

### **Chairman-Prince Sultan University**

Sep 2019 - Present

Electrical Engineering Department

Riyadh, Saudi Arabia

Feb 2001 - Feb. 2006

- Design, implement and attune departmental mission and objectives in line with institutional vision, mission, and values of PSU
- Establishes, reviews and/or periodically updates/revises departmental policies.
- Conduct periodic assessment and evaluation of department performance to improve curriculum, quality of instruction, enhance student achievements, etc.
- Author and submit Annual Departmental Reports cued to quality standards and program accreditation.
- Recruit and recommend qualified teaching staff and provides departmental orientation of new faculty members
- Provide a supportive academic environment for all faculty members by encouraging faculty to participate in professional development, produce research, and to participate in approved extracurricular activities inside and outside the campus.

- Communicate departmental programs and activities to students.
- Prepare annual departmental budget requests; administer departmental budgetary allocations; and run department in a cost-effectiveness manner.
- Offer academic advising and consultation to students
- Administer and maintain and/or build departmental facilities resources.
- Recruit, orient, supervise, and evaluate departmental staff; and establish, update and maintain department records systems, students (grades & consultations), courses offerings, academic data, course files, program specification, course specifications, course reports, field experience specification, field experience report, annual program report, etc.
- Provide professional leadership in the department; represent the department, college and institution in approved local and international conferences, workshops, seminars, meetings, events and actively participates in the same.
- Monitor and ensure compliance with standards for quality assurance, continuous improvement, and accreditation related to the program.

### **Director-Prince Sultan University**

May 2017 - Present

Science and Technology Unite and Intellectual Property Office

Riyadh, Saudi Arabia

- Supervise the preparation of forms and advertisements for the initial submission of proposals and presenting temporal schedules for it.
- Work as contact point with the Secretariat of the Supervisory Committee of the KACST Sending suitable detailed research projects to the Secretariat of the Supervisory Committee of KACST.
- Follow up the accepted projects, to ensure that the goals are achieved and projects received on time.
- Set the plans, strategies, programs and scientific projects, and arranged the Priorities of approved projects programs for Prince Sultan University in the light of the directions and Priorities of the National Plan for Science and Technology
- Recognize the opportunities in the international conventions, then invested and developed it into projects and programs with a specific characteristics and goals.
- Developed policies that enable researchers to take advantage of the scientific and technical assistance, and research awards, training, consulting, and others, which offers by unions and organization and international scientific organizations.
- Arranged with other developing programs in the University, to ensuring intellectual property rights to the researchers, and the registration of patents, announcement of the prizes, and marketing of research results to the industrial Institutions... etc.. Supervision for organizing workshops, seminars, conferences ... etc.
- Prepare annual reports on the achievements, and the progress of work.

# **Teaching Assistant - University of Auckland** *Electrical and Computer Engineering Department*

June 2012 - Nov. 2015

Auckland, New Zealand

- Provided assistance in the classroom when conducting curriculum based group lessons.
- Planning and organizing laboratories for groups of 40+ undergraduate students.
- Closely adhere to laboratory plans; and kept students motivated, engaged and focused.
- · Worked one-on-one with students with challenging behavior during the experiments
- Took over and ran the classroom for the teacher when teachers were absent for meetings, training, or sick days.
- Leading other teaching assistants in maintaining a positive, calm attitude and a soft voice, and encourage this attitude and voice in others working in the laboratory.
- Classroom logistics (i.e.: taking attendance, making copies, etc.)
- Participate in preparing and defining the project scope of work and its goals.
- Assist senior/master students in designing, modeling and simulation of the inductive power transfer (IPT) and capacities power transfer (CPT) Control Systems with more focus on the controller and power converter part and in the realization/implementation of the controller and PWM using, MATLAB/Simulink and C/VHDL for Microcontroller/FPGA design.
- Guide master students in writing their Master thesis and research papers.

Generation engineer (Control & Instrumentations) - Saudi Electricity CompanyDec. 2006 – April 2008

Quryyah Power Plant

Dhahran, Saudi Arabia

- Designing, installing, and developing new control systems, e.g., Experion PKS C200 DCS by Honeywell, Mark VI by GE and PLC Allen Bradley.
- Testing, maintaining and modifying the existing smart sensors.
- Analysing data and presenting findings in written reports.
- Liaising with suppliers and contractors.

# Educational Reform, Review, and Accreditation Experience

International Accreditation Monitor | Education & Training Evaluation Commission, National Center for Academic Accreditation & Evaluation (ETEC-NCAAA)

\* Invited by ETEC to participate as an international accreditation monitor with ABET in reviewing FIVE Engineering programs accreditation at Taibah University, Madina, Saudi Arabia, Nov. 2021

<u>Member | Accreditation External Review Panel | Education & Training Evaluation Commission</u>, National Center for Academic Accreditation & Evaluation (ETEC-NCAAA)

- \* Reviewing the Master of Science Program of Electrical Engineering at King Saud University, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, March 2021
- \* Reviewing the Electrical Engineering Program at University of Business and Technology, Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, February 2021
- \* Reviewing the Electrical Engineering Program at Jouf University, Al Jouf, Saudi Arabia, December 2020
- \* Reviewing the Electrical Engineering Program at Majma'ah University, Al Majma'ah, Saudi Arabia, November 2020
- \* Reviewing the Electrical Engineering Program at Qassim University, Unaizah, Saudi Arabia, May 2022
- \* Reviewing the Electrical Engineering Program at Qassim University, Qassim, Saudi Arabia, Oct 2022

<u>Chair | Accreditation External Review Panel | Education & Training Evaluation Commission</u>, National Center for Academic Accreditation & Evaluation (ETEC-NCAAA)

\* Leading the review panel for reviewing the Electrical Engineering Program at Albaha University, Al Baha, Saudi Arabia, Feb 2022

<u>Accreditation Consultant | Education & Training Evaluation Commission</u>, National Center for Academic Accreditation & Evaluation (ETEC-NCAAA)

- \* Notations & Recommendations for Program Eligibility Document Review: Electrical Engineering Program at University of Business and Technology, Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, Jan. 2021
- \* Notations & Recommendations for Program Eligibility Document Review: PhD In Urban and Regional Planning Program at Imam Abdulrahman Bin Faisal University, Dammam, Saudi Arabia, Jan 2021
- \* Notations & Recommendations for Program Eligibility Document Review: BSc. In Urban and Regional Planning Program at Imam Abdulrahman Bin Faisal University, Dammam, Saudi Arabia, Feb 2021,
- \* Notations & Recommendations for Program Eligibility Document Review: BSc. In Networking Program at Jazan University, Jazan, Saudi Arabia, June 2021,
- \* Notations & Recommendations for Program Eligibility Document Review: BSc. In Architecture Program at Albaha University, Albaha, Saudi Arabia, Dec 2021
- \* Notations & Recommendations for Program Eligibility Document Review: BSc. In Electrical Engineering Program at Qassim University, Qassim, Saudi Arabia, April 2022
- \* Notations & Recommendations for Program Eligibility Document Review: BSc. In Graphics Design at Dar Al Uloom University, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, Nov 2021
- \* Notations & Recommendations for Program Eligibility Document Review: Master Degree. In Architecture Program at King Saud University, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, Nov 2021
- \* Notations & Recommendations for Program Eligibility Document Review: BSc. In Architecture Program at Albaha University, Al Baha, Saudi Arabia, Jan. 2022

Member | Education & Training Evaluation Commission, National Center for Academic Accreditation & Evaluation (ETEC-NCAAA)October 2020

\* Participated in writing the National Engineering Learning Outcomes to be aligned with the national qualification framework (NQF) descriptions of the learning outcomes at the bachelor's degree level and to provide an integrated system that accommodates a high level of quality, competitiveness, and international recognition of national qualifications.

<u>Chair | Education & Training Evaluation Commission,</u> National Center for Academic Accreditation & Evaluation (ETEC-NCAAA)October 2022

 Chaired a committee in writing the National Electrical Engineering, Knowledge Learning Units and Specialized Learning Outcomes.

# **Funded Projects**

- \* The establishment of Renewable Energy Lab Prince Sultan University (cost: 673,000 SAR)
- \* Wireless Power Transfer for Electrical Vehicle executed in Renewable Energy Lab Prince Sultan University (29,000 SAR)
- \* An Examination of Learning Outcomes Performance using Advanced Analytical Model: A case study from engineering and business schools Prince Sultan University (29,550 SAR)
- \* A new Multilevel inverter suits rooftop PV fed grid tied system (29,500 SAR)

## **Technical Skills**

MATLAB/Simulink
FPGA Development Experience and knowledge of VHDL
Honeywell - Experion PKS C200
Instruments installation
Operating Systems: Windows
MS Visio and Office

Altera Design with Quartus and Modelsim
Typhoon Hardware-in-Loop
Lyx/Latex for scientific reports & Presentations
PLCs programming using Function blocks
Multisim Simulation-in-Loop
System identification and modelling

# **Editorial Board and Organized Special Issue/Session**

- \* Member of the Editorial Board of the Journal of Advances in Applied & Computational Mathematics.
- \* Topic Associate Editor for Frontiers in Mechanical Engineering, 2/10/2016
- \* Topic Associate Editor for Machine Learning for Connected and Autonomous Mobility, Frontiers in Transportation Systems, 1/6/2020.
- \* Member of the International Advisory Board at 1st International Conference on Smart Energy and Advancement in Power Technologies (ICSEAPT 2021), 6th-8th September 2021, Organized by Department of Electrical Engineering National Institute of Technology, Jamshedpur, India.
- \* Member of Unmanned Systems Track Committee at the First International Conference of Smart Systems and Emerging Technologies (SMARTTECH)- 3-5 Nov. 2020, Organized by Prince Sultan University, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia.
- \* Member of the International Advisory Board at International conference on Power Electronics and Renewable Energy Applications (IEEE PEREA,2020, Kerala-Inddia).

- M. S. Bhaskar, U. Subramaniam, D. Almakhles, "Hybrid Power Converters and Control Strategies for Integration of Renewables", Annual Conference of the IEEE Industrial Electronics Society (IECON 2021), Toronto, Canada
- Member of the International Advisory Committee, "7th International Conference on, "Electrical Energy Systems - ICEES 2021," Sivasubramaniya Nadar College of Engineering, chennai, india, Sri, 11-13 Feb. 2021.
- \* M. S. Bhaskar, U. Subramaniam, D. **Almakhles**, V. K. Ramachandaramurthy "Hybrid Power Electronics Configurations for Renewable Energy Conversion/Storage Systems, and their Control Strategy, (SS09)," IEEE 46th Annual Conference of The IEEE Industrial Electronics Society (IEEE-IECON-2020), Singapore, October 18-21, 2020.
- \* M. S. Bhaskar, U. Subramaniam, D. **Almakhles**, Virtual Conference Recent trends on Renewable Energy, Smart Grid, and Electric Vehicle Charging Technologies, M. S. Bhaskar, U. Subramaniam, D. Almakhles, VIT, 2020.
- \* M. S. Bhaskar, U. Subramaniam, D. **Almakhles**, Call for Paper -Special Session, IEEE TENCON 2019, on DC-DC Converter Technologies' -Advancement in Power Circuitry, Design, Modelling, and Control for DC Microgrid. IEEE 45th Annual Conference of The IEEE Industrial Electronics Society (IEEE-IECON-2019), India, October, 2019.

#### **Publications**

#### **PHD THESIS**

- **Dhafer** J **Almakhles**. *Two-Level Dynamic Quantizers for Feedback Control Systems*. PhD thesis, ResearchSpace@ Auckland, 2016.

Link: https://researchspace.auckland.ac.nz/handle/2292/28924

#### **PATENTS**

 Sridhar VAVILPALLI, Umashankar SUBRAMANIAM, Dhafer Jaber Almakhles, BUCK - CHOPPER AND BI - DIRECTIONAL CHOPPER FOR MULTILEVEL CASCADED HBRIDGE INVERTERS, US Patent, 2021.

**Link:** https://patents.google.com/patent/US20210211066A1/en

- Sagar Magajan, Umashankar SUBRAMANIAM, **Dhafer** Jaber **Almakhles**, Design, Control and Real-Time Simulations of Buck-Chopper and Bi-Directional Chopper based ESS, US Patent, 2021.

Link: https://patents.google.com/patent/US20210265919A1/en

#### **BOOKS**

- Book#1: Nikita Gupta, Mahajan Sagar Bhaskar, Sanjeevikumar Padmanaban, and Dhafer J. Almakhles.
   In Jiwei Wen, DC MICROGRIDS: Advances, Challenges, and Applications, Energy, Wiley, 2021.
   Link: http://www.scrivenerpublishing.com/cart/title.php?id=645#desc
- Book#2: Jiwei Wen, Alireza Nasiri, Sing Kiong Nguang, and Dhafer J. Almakhles. *Non-Monotonic Approach to Robust H-infinity Control of Multi-model Systems*, Emerging Methodologies and Applications in Modeling, Academic Press, 2019.

**Link:** https://www.elsevier.com/books/

non-monotonic-approach-to-robust-h-control-of-multi-model-systems/wen/978-0-12-814868-6

# **Chapters**

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- [2] Jiwei Wen, Alireza Nasiri, Sing Kiong Nguang, and **Dhafer J. Almakhles**. Chapter 10 robust hâ filtering of nonhomogeneous markovian jump delay systems via n-step ahead lyapunovâkrasovskii function approach. In Jiwei Wen, Alireza Nasiri, Sing Kiong Nguang, and **Dhafer J. Almakhles**, editors, *Non-Monotonic Approach to Robust H-infinity Control of Multi-model Systems*, Emerging Methodologies and Applications in Modelling, pages 175–200. Academic Press, 2019.
- [3] Jiwei Wen, Alireza Nasiri, Sing Kiong Nguang, and **Dhafer J. Almakhles**. Chapter 11 conclusions and future work. In Jiwei Wen, Alireza Nasiri, Sing Kiong Nguang, and **Dhafer J. Almakhles**, editors, *Non-Monotonic Approach to Robust H-infinity Control of Multi-model Systems*, Emerging Methodologies and Applications in Modelling, pages 201–203. Academic Press, 2019.
- [4] Jiwei Wen, Alireza Nasiri, Sing Kiong Nguang, and **Dhafer J. Almakhles**. Chapter 2 robust hâ state feedback controller design of discrete-time t-s fuzzy systems: A nonmonotonic approach. In Jiwei Wen, Alireza Nasiri, Sing Kiong Nguang, and **Dhafer J. Almakhles**, editors, *Non-Monotonic Approach to RobustH-infinity Control of Multi-model Systems*, Emerging Methodologies and Applications in Modelling, pages 23–41. Academic Press, 2019.
- [5] Jiwei Wen, Alireza Nasiri, Sing Kiong Nguang, and **Dhafer J. Almakhles**. Chapter 3 robust hâ filtering of t-s fuzzy systems: A nonmonotonic approach. In Jiwei Wen, Alireza Nasiri, Sing Kiong Nguang, and **Dhafer J. Almakhles**, editors, *Non-Monotonic Approach to Robust H-infinity Control of Multi-model Systems*, Emerging Methodologies and Applications in Modelling, pages 43–60. Academic Press, 2019.
- [6] Jiwei Wen, Alireza Nasiri, Sing Kiong Nguang, and **Dhafer J. Almakhles**. Chapter 4 robust hâ output feedback control for t-s fuzzy systems: A nonmonotonic approach. In Jiwei Wen, Alireza Nasiri, Sing Kiong Nguang, and **Dhafer J. Almakhles**, editors, *Non-Monotonic Approach to Robust H-infinity Control of Multimodel Systems*, Emerging Methodologies and Applications in Modelling, pages 61–73. Academic Press, 2019.
- [7] Jiwei Wen, Alireza Nasiri, Sing Kiong Nguang, and **Dhafer J. Almakhles**. Chapter 5 stability and hâ control of discrete-time switched systems via one-step ahead lyapunov function approach. In Jiwei Wen, Alireza Nasiri, Sing Kiong Nguang, and **Dhafer J. Almakhles**, editors, *Non-Monotonic Approach to Robust H-infinity Control of Multi-model Systems*, Emerging Methodologies and Applications in Modelling, pages 75–90. Academic Press, 2019.
- [8] Jiwei Wen, Alireza Nasiri, Sing Kiong Nguang, and **Dhafer J. Almakhles**. Chapter 6 stability, I2-gain and robust hâ control of switched systems via multistep ahead nonmonotonic approach. In Jiwei Wen, Alireza Nasiri, Sing Kiong Nguang, and **Dhafer J. Almakhles**, editors, *Non-Monotonic Approach to Robust H-infinity Control of Multi-model Systems*, Emerging Methodologies and Applications in Modelling, pages 91–110. Academic Press, 2019.
- [9] Jiwei Wen, Alireza Nasiri, Sing Kiong Nguang, and **Dhafer J. Almakhles**. Chapter 7 robust hâ filtering for average dwell-time switched systems via a nonmonotonic function approach. In Jiwei Wen, Alireza Nasiri, Sing Kiong Nguang, and **Dhafer J. Almakhles**, editors, *Non-Monotonic Approach to Robust H-infinity Control of Multi-model Systems*, Emerging Methodologies and Applications in Modelling, pages 111–130. Academic Press, 2019.
- [10] Jiwei Wen, Alireza Nasiri, Sing Kiong Nguang, and **Dhafer J. Almakhles**. Chapter 8 dissipative dynamic output feedback control for switched systems via multistep lyapunov function approach. In Jiwei Wen, Alireza Nasiri, Sing Kiong Nguang, and **Dhafer J. Almakhles**, editors, *Non-Monotonic Approach to Robust H-infinity Control of Multi-model Systems*, Emerging Methodologies and Applications in Modelling, pages 131–147. Academic Press, 2019.
- [11] Jiwei Wen, Alireza Nasiri, Sing Kiong Nguang, and **Dhafer J. Almakhles**. Chapter 9 robust hâ control of discrete-time nonhomogenous markovian jump systems via multistep ahead lyapunov function approach. In Jiwei Wen, Alireza Nasiri, Sing Kiong Nguang, and **Dhafer J. Almakhles**, editors, *Non-Monotonic*

- Approach to Robust H-infinity Control of Multi-model Systems, Emerging Methodologies and Applications in Modelling, pages 149–174. Academic Press, 2019.
- [12] **Dhafer Almakhles**, Akshya Swain, Nitish Patel Chapter 13 Delta-sigma Modulator for Control System In Francisco Miranda, editors, *Control Theory: Perspectives, Applications and Developments*, Mathematical Analysis, Mathematics and Statistics, Academic Press, 2015.
- [13] N. Rishikesh, P. Prem, M. Jagabar Sathik, and **Dhafer Almakhles**. Chapter 15 a case study with power quality analysis on building integrated pv (bipv) system. In Ahmed F. Zobaa and Shady H.E. Abdel Aleem, editors, *Uncertainties in Modern Power Systems*, pages 541–562. Academic Press, 2021.

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- [7] **Dhafer Almakhles**. Two-level quantised control systems: sliding-mode approach. *International Journal of Control*, 93(3):680–688, 2020.
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- [11] **Dhafer Almakhles**, Chathura Wanigasekara, Akshya Swain, Khaled Almustafa, and Umashankar Subramaniyan. Hybrid delta modulator: stability analysis using sliding mode theory. *Systems Science & Control Engineering*, 7(1):234–242, 2019.
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