Analysis and DSP Implementation of Multisampled Three-Phase Current Controller

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I. INTRODUCTION

FIELD oriented control (FOC) is a well-established strategy for the control of high performance electrical drives [?]. An essential part of this concept is the inner current control loop [?]. A prerequisite for the proper operation of the outer control loops is a precise and rapid digital current controller [?]. In order to achieve the desirable performance of the overall control system high current loop bandwidth is imperative [?]. Robustness at high output frequencies, along with a decoupled d and q axis transient operation is also required [?], [?], [?]. Digital control introduces delays due to the sampling process, execution time and digital pulse width modulation (DPWM) [?]. These delays limit the achievable bandwidths and motivate the direct discrete-time domain design of highperformance current controllers [?]. These limitations have inspired investigating multisampled PWM control, with purpose of enabling analog-like control bandwidths in digital systems. The multisampling approach relies on acquiring the control variables and updating the modulating waveform multiple times per switching period [?]. The concept of multisampled digital control offers significant reduction of the modulator delays and therefore is a promising solution for breaking the bandwidth limitations [?]. Besides improvements in dynamic perofrmance, MS-PWM is also reported to have a positive impact on the noise attenuation [?].

Synchronous rotating frame (SRF) PI controllers are the most frequently encountered current control concepts since they are simple and successfully cover the majority of the industry requirements [?], [?], [?]. With a proper parameter setting procedure, high bandwidths can be achieved [?], [?]. Nevertheless, their transient decoupling capability is rather limited, especially at high speeds [?]. On the other hand, model predictive dead-beat current controllers offer very fast transient response but at the cost of considerable performance degradation when parameter mismatch occurs [?], [?]. Since saturation and temperature variations are very often encountered in electrical drives, a simple dead-beat approach might lead to insufficient performance. An FPGA implementation of the robust multisampled dead-beat control has been proposed in [?]. Another promising current control approach is the discrete internal model principle (IMC) design [?]. Since no S domain based delay approximations are used, axes cross-coupling is inherently eliminated and high closed loop bandwidths can be achieved [?], [?]. Despite all of the benefits of feedback averaging, the addition of a moving average filter in feedback path can considerably degrade the performance

of the current control loop [?]. The IMC concept however, with some enhancements of the controller structure in terms of addition of differential compensator and advanced scheduling scheme, achieves very fast and robust current tracking even with MAF in the feedback path [?]. Further improvements in terms of active resistance feedback result in high disturbance rejection capability [?].

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This paper analyzes the use of MS-PWM in discrete IMC based current controller, suitable for implementation on standard DSP platforms. The main goal of the paper is to demonstrate a current control structure, which offers improved dynamic response and high noise suppression compared to the state-of-the-art double update rate solutions. This is achieved without relying on expensive and complicated control platforms, but on a standard industrial DSP. The MS-PWM control strategy is analyzed for three different control loop organizations. The first one uses discrete IMC controller from [?], with a moving average filter (MAF) in the feedback. This case is found to offer slightly improved dynamics compared to standard use of double-update with the same discrete IMC (without filter in feedback) [?], [?], with significant improvement in jitter suppression. Due to added delays introduced by the MAF, the second case adds a derivative action to the controller structure, as in [?]. This case is given to demonstrate that MS-PWM can offer even better dynamics than reported in [?]. The final case implements MS-PWM based discrete IMC, without any filters in feedback. This case is expected to provide the best dynamics, using discrete IMC without derivative gain. The feedback quality is expected to worsen compared to cases with MAFs, hower, it still retains higher quality compared to double-update [?]. The target is to show that with the multisampling approach delays introduced by feedback averaging can be successfully compensated, by extent determined with the multisampling factor, enabling both robust and error-free feedback acquisition and a high dynamic performance of the current loop.

This paper is organized as follows. Section II addresses discrete time machine model, controller structure and analyzes delays introduced by feedback averaging, calculation and DPWM. The multisampling PWM approach, with an outline of its merits and demerits, is explained in Section III. A DSP implementation of the multisampling algorithm is also presented. Exact controller structures and parameter setting procedures for the three aforementioned cases of interest are derived in Section IV. Effectiveness of the derived analytical model is illustrated via simulated current loop step responses and frequency response analyses. Comparison between performance of the proposed methodology and benchmark controllers is

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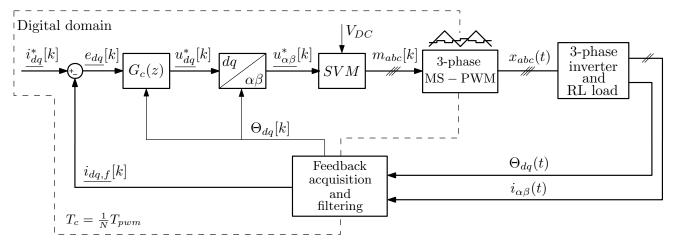


Fig. 1: Multisampled control loop of a three-phase inverter, ubaci 1/z da bi bio kompatibilan sa tajming dijagramom. Takodje, ubaci Feedback acquisition park transform and filtering

also provided. Experimental results are shown in section V. Conclusions are drawn in section VI, along with a proposal for further studies on the presented topic.

II. MULTI-RATE CONTROL SYSTEM

The multi-rate control system of a three-phase RL load in dq frame is shown in Fig. 1. The system can be separated into digital and continuous-time domain. An ADC is used to transform feedback signal from analog to digital domain. This action is performed with a sampling frequency $f_s = N_s f_{pwm}$, where N_s is the oversampling factor and f_{pwm} is the switching frequency of the inverter. The digital domain operates with frequency $f_c = N_c f_{pwm}$, where N_c is the multi-update factor that determines the update rate of the controller output. The choice of this frequency is independent of the sampling frequency, as the feedback signal can be oversampled with frequency f_s and then averaged and decimated with frequency f_c . The digital domain is comprised of feedback filter $G_{fb}(z)$, controller $G_c(z)$, coordinate frame transformation block, and modulation block. The feedback filter can be implemented with frequency f_s followed by decimation to f_c , or directly with frequency f_c . The controller $G_c(z)$ outputs reference voltage in dq frame, $u_{dq}^*[k]$, which is then transformed to $\alpha\beta$ frame. This reference voltage is used to obtain digital modulating waveform for each inverter phase, m_s , abc[k]. Conversion from digital to analog domain is performed by MS-PWM. Its inherent zero-order hold function transforms the digital impulse train m_s , abc[k]into the continuous-time modulating waveform $m_{abc}(t)$. Due to favourable characteristics in multi-update applications, MS-PWM with the triangular carrier is used. The PWM output is used as a gate signal $x_{abc}(t)$. The three-phase inverter is used to supply the RL load, which can be a three-phase machine or electrical grid. The sensed feedback includes line currents $i_{\alpha\beta}(t)$ and the angle of the dq coordinate frame.

A. Motivation behind multisampling

Modern processors feature high computational power, which enables short execution times for control routines. However, switching frequencies of the converter are still hardware limited, and do not go over several tens of kHz for industrial drive applications. This hardware based limitation directly affects the realizable bandwidths of the current control loop, which subsequently limits the speed and position responses as well. Therefore, using multisampled PWM control [] seems to be a logical step forward in the high-performance drive control. Using describing function approach, small-signal model of the multisampled PWM with triangular carrier is found to be almost equal to a pure delay of $\frac{T_c}{2}$, where T_c is the modulating waveform update period []:

$$G_{DPWM}(s) = \frac{d(s)}{m(s)} = A(\omega, D, N_c)e^{-s\frac{T_c}{2}},$$
 (1)

where s is the complex variable of the Laplace transform, d is the continuous-time duty cycle used for averaged modeling [], and D is the steady-state duty cycle. The gain A can be approximated with unity gain with negligible losses in modeling accuracy [].

In DSP applications, update of the modulating waveform is usually delayed by one control period T_c , due to the non-negligible computational time []. This results in total digital delays resulting from computation and PWM modulation being equal to:

$$\tau_d = \frac{3}{2} T_c = \frac{3}{2} \frac{T_{pwm}}{N_c} \tag{2}$$

From this, it can be seen that multi-update control reduced digital delays inversely proportionate to the multi-update factor N_c . Traditionally, double-update is the most often used method, which results in twice decreased delays compared to single-update. Term multisampled (multi-update) control is most often used when N_c is increased above 2. This kind of control is a promising way of bringing the digital control close to analog regarding achievable bandwidths []. However, care must be taken as significant nonlinearities are also introduced in the control system, mainly due to the discontinuity of the modulating waveform, which now features switching ripple component as well. For this reason, multi-update control is most often followed by feedback filtering, which removes the switching ripple from the feedback signal [].

B. Discrete-time model of a three-phase RL load

Given the simplicity of the inverter topology with a RL load, its model can be easily derived directly in discrete-time domain, without the use of Tustin's method and transport delay approximations []. This kind of modeling is important for design of digital controllers, as it enables highest achievable bandwidths with inherent decoupling of dq axes []. Note that for direct-discrete modeling, the action of the PWM is assumed to be equal to a zero-order hold in stationary $\alpha\beta$ frame []. This is true for the case of single- and double-update PWM, however, for $N_c > 2$, the exact model is shown in 1. For the very specific case of triangular carrier, regarding its phase response, MS-PWM can still be approximated well, specially regarding its phase response, by a ZOH with update rate equal to f_c , which justifies this approximation necessary for the direct-discrete modeling.

The required discrete-time modeling can be found in [,,,]. The methods in these papers feature different procedures, but the end model is unique. This paper follows the procedure from []. In order to analyze the system as single-input single-output (SISO), complex variables are used []. Starting from $\alpha\beta$ frame differential equations necessary for modeling are:

$$\underline{u}_{\alpha\beta}(t) = R\underline{i}_{\alpha\beta}(t) + L\frac{d}{dt}\underline{i}_{\alpha\beta}(t), \tag{3}$$

where R and L are the line resistance and the line inductance, respectively. The three-phase RL load usually also consists of a series voltage source, which models the machine backemf or the grid voltage. It is neglected in this analysis, as the paper focuses purely on enhancing the current-loop response, without taking into account disturbance rejection. The s-domain transfer function from applied voltage to the line current, corresponding to 3 is:

$$G_{i,\alpha\beta} = \frac{1}{R} \frac{1}{1 + s\frac{L}{R}}.\tag{4}$$

The one-step delay of the controller output update is represented as e^{-sT_c} . The PWM is modeled as a ZOH:

$$G_{DPWM,\alpha\beta} \approx \frac{1 - e^{-sT_c}}{s}.$$
 (5)

The transformation from $\alpha\beta$ to dq frame is obtained using the substitution $s\to s+j\omega_o$, where ω_o is the dq frame rotating frequency. This yields the following s-domain transfer function of the controlled plant in dq frame:

$$G_{p,dq}(s) = e^{-sT_c} e^{-j\omega_o} \frac{1 - e^{-sT_c} e^{-j\omega_o T_c}}{s + j\omega_o} \frac{1}{R} \frac{1}{1 + s\frac{L}{R} + j\omega_o \frac{L}{R}}.$$
(6)

The discrete-time model is obtained using \mathcal{Z} transform table to transform 7:

$$G_{p,dq}(z) = \frac{\left(1 - e^{-\frac{R}{L}T_c}\right)e^{-2j\omega_o T_c}}{R} \frac{1}{z\left(z - e^{-\left(\frac{R}{L} + j\omega_o\right)T_c}\right)},$$

where z is the complex variable of the \mathcal{Z} transform.

The model obtained in ?? is used for the subsequent derivation of the model-based controller.

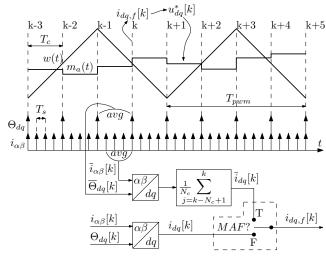


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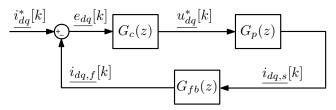


Fig. 3: Small-signal block diagram of the system from Fig. 1 in discrete-time domain.

C. Discrete IMC controller

III. FEEDBACK ACQUISITION, COORDINATE FRAME TRANSFORMATION, AND FILTERING

A. Feedback acquisition and $\alpha\beta - dq$ transformation

Ovde onaj blok dijagram od ruzice lep sa transformacijama, pa da se objasni da zapravo koristis i DMA i bla bla Prethodno negde na pocetku rada prikazi multi-rate sliku i tu ubaci blok koji se zove feedback acquistion, ulaz su alpha beta struje i ugao, izlaz su dq struje, pa iza toga ide filtar u dq sistemu...

Ovde mozes da kazes: da bi stao ceo kod, ipak ne moze preveliki oversampling faktor. Zbog toga, umesto koriscenja klasicnog koda kao u subsection koji vec, koristi se DMA modul koji sempluje jos n puta brze tako da je ukupan oversampling rate jednak n*N. Nakon tih n odbiraka se zapravo trigeruje interrupt koji je povezan sa N oversamplingom uradi se MAF i decimira se tako da kontrolni kod radi na fc ucestanosti.

Depending on the algorithm complexity, $N_{max} \approx 8$ for 20 kHz PWM. Since this number cannot be too high, DMA module of the DSP can be used for higher oversampling action that is motivated by noise attenuation and error-free feedback acquisition []. This is performed by triggering sampling each $f_s = nf_c$ and storing results in an DMA array. After n samples are ready, interrupt flag is raised

Znaci razdvoj ucestanosti: fpwm - switching fs - sampling (fc - control frequency (Nfpwm)

B. Total time delay in DSP application

Ovde pricaj o zbirnom kasnjenju, itd.... Mozda nakon price o modelovanju masine...

IV. SIMULATION RESULTS

In order to illustrate benefits of the proposed MS-PWM methodology, three different control loop architectures are examined in this section and their performance is evaluated by means of computer simulations in MATLAB/Simulink. It is distinguished between different MS-PWM control loop architectures based on current controller structure (IMC with or without differential compensator) and feedback acquisition (with or without MAF). For each architecture of interest, at first, an appropriate benchmark controller is determined. Then, parameter setting procedure for the proposed MS-PWM controllers is explained. Finally, a comparison between proposed and benchmark controllers is illustrated by performance evaluation of the simulated step responses and open-loop frequency response analyses. In addition to this, analytically obtained results are compared with those from simulation, with the aim of verifying modelling approach explained in Section III.

Simulation is organized as follows. Current controller is modelled in discrete domain whereas all relevant delays are taken into account. Detailed model of DPWM, which resembles action qualifier module realization within DSP EPWM peripheral, is implemented. Load is modeled in continuous time domain using Simulink abc machine model. Simulation is developed so that it is easily adjustable for different update rates, controller structures and feedback acquisition paths. Simulation results presented in this section are obtained with BLDC motor from [?]. Switching frequency is set to 10kHz. For the proposed MS-PWM controllers, update rate is set to eight, i.e. acquiring the control variables and updating the modulating waveform is done eight times per switching period. MAF, when used for the feedback acquisition, assumes averaging of 16 samples per switching period.

The same simulation model is used to simulate step responses and perform FRA. However, the presented step responses are obtained with $1\mu s$ dead-time, whereas dead-time is set to 0 when running FRA simulations, so that non-linear effects which could mask FRA responses are avoided. Step responses are obtained at 270Hz electrical frequency. Open loop FRA simulations are organized in the following manner. For the analyzed axis, sinusoidal perturbation of 0.1 A is used as an excitation signal. Error in the other axis is set to zero. The perturbation frequencies are an arithmetic sequence starting from 400 Hz to 5000 Hz, with a step of 50 Hz.

A. Control loop architecture 1: N=8 with MAF, IMC

MS-PWM control loop architecture analyzed in this subsection (further on denoted as C1) assumes IMC controller from [?] with MAF in the feedback path. The benchmark for this case (further on denoted as B1) is the state-of-the art double update rate controller with the same IMC and standard synchronous sampling based feedback acquisition, with IMC gain α set to the highest value which results in the response

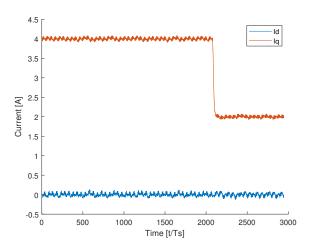


Fig. 4: Simulated step response for C1.

without an overshoot [?]. The main advantage of C1, compared to B1, is a considerably enhanced noise suppression capability and a slightly improved dynamic response. IMC gain for C1 is set analytically so that the same cross-over frequency is obtained as for B1. Parameters for B1 and C1 are shown in Table I. Results presented within this subsection are denoted as test case 1 results.

TABLE I: Parameters of controllers C1 and B1

C1 parameters	label	value
Update rate	N	8
IMC gain	α	0.0636
Feedback acquisition	/	MAF
B1 parameters	label	value
B1 parameters Update rate	label N	value 2
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Q current step responses for C1 and B1 are shown in Fig. 4-5. Presented waveforms are dq currents obtained by sampling and transformation process described in Section II. Acc. to the results in Fig. 4 no coupling between axes is present. Even though step response itself is insufficient to fully describe dynamic behaviour of the control loop, it might be useful to get an insight and a rough estimate of the controller performance. Simulated and analytical step response characteristics for C1 and B1 are listed in Table II. Note that analytical rise time is calculated as $\pi/(10*f_{bw-3dB}^{an})$. According to the results in Table II, C1 offers slightly improved dynamic performance compared to B1, which is expected, taking into account parameter setting procedure for the proposed controller. A slight mismatch between analytically calculated and simulated rise times both for C1 and B1, might be a consequence of the unmodelled dead-time non-linearities and an approximation used when deriving a feedback averaging model.

Q axis open loop FRA results for test case 1 are shown in Fig. 6. Comparison between simulated and analytical C1 FRA performance, as well as analytical B1 performance are listed

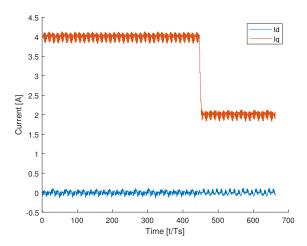


Fig. 5: Simulated step response for B1.

TABLE II: Simulated step response characteristics for test case 1

C1 characteristics	label	value	unit
Analytical 3dB closed loop bandwidth Analytical rise time Simulated rise time	$egin{array}{l} f_{bw-3dB}^{an} \ t_{rise}^{an}/Tpwm \ t_{rise}^{sim}/Tpwm \end{array}$	1.3871 2.2685 2.75	kHz / /
B1 characteristics	label	value	unit

in Table III. These results validate derived MS-PWM control loop analytical model, since mismatch between analytical and simulated C1 waveforms is hardly noticeable and exists only in the higher frequency range. In addition to this, cross-over frequency and phase margin of the simulated C1 control loop are similar to those of B1, which is in agreement with the parameter setting procedure described above. Therefore, test case 1 illustrates that MS-PWM approach offers MAF based feedback acquisition without degrading control loop dynamic performance. In this way, the noise and sampling errors in the feedback path are successfully eliminated due to MAF based feedback acquisition, but also the dynamic performance is kept high.

TABLE III: Open loop FRA performance for test case 1

C1 characteristics	label	value	unit
Analytical cross-over frequency Simulated cross-over frequency Analytical phase margin Simulated phase margin	$egin{array}{l} f_c^{an} \ f_c^{sim} \ pm^{an} \ pm^{sim} \end{array}$	798.5845 800 70.2667 70	Hz Hz °
B1 characteristics	label	value	unit
Analytical cross-over frequency Analytical phase margin	$f_c^{an} \\ pm^{an}$	799.1594 68.4572	Hz °

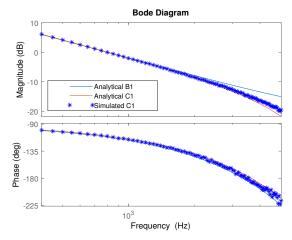


Fig. 6: Simulated open loop FRA for test case 1.

B. Control loop architecture C2: N=8 with MAF, IMC + dif.

MS-PWM control loop architecture analyzed in this subsection (further on denoted as C2) assumes IMC controller with differential compensator from [?] and MAF in the feedback path. This case is given to demonstrate that MS-PWM can offer even better dynamics than reported in [?]. The benchmark for this case (further on denoted as B2) assumes controller structure proposed in [?] - double update rate IMC controller with improved performance indices, differential compensator and MAF based feedback acquisition. In simulations, the advanced scheduling scheme for B2 is implemented without neglecting execution time so that the results are suitable for comparison with standard code implementation which does not assume execution time optimization. Gains for IMC and differential compensator in case of B2 are set to the optimal values from [?]. Parameter setting procedure used for C2 is similar to the one proposed in [?]. Parameters for B2 and C2 are shown in Table IV. Results presented within this subsection are denoted as test case 2 results.

TABLE IV: Parameters for controllers C2 and B2

C2 parameters	label	value
Update rate	N	8
IMC gain	α	0.12038
Differential gain	d	2.1948
Feedback acquisition	/	MAF
B2 parameters	label	value
Update rate	N	2
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IMC gain	α	0.38
	$\frac{lpha}{d}$	0.38 0.444

Q current step responses for C2 and B2 are shown in Fig. 7-8. Presented waveforms are dq currents obtained by sampling and transformation process described in Section II. Oscillations at the fundamental frequency are visible in C2 step response (Fig. 7a). Poor disturbance rejection capability due to small phase resistance might be the root cause of these

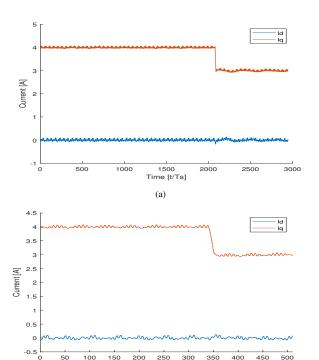


Fig. 7: Simulated step response for C2: (a) original phase resistance; (b) 5 times larger phase resistance.

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oscillations, since with 5 times larger stator phase resistance oscillations are not present (Fig. 7b). In Fig. 8, two different step responses are shown to illustrate that oscillations at the fundamental frequency exist in the benchmark response too, but are of smaller amplitude and present only in case step reference change is larger. Source of the aforementioned oscillations needs to examined in more detail and will be considered as part of the future work. Addition of an active resistance feedback could be considered [?] if insufficient disturbance rejection capability of the proposed MS-PWM controller proves to be an issue.

Simulated and analytical step response characteristics for C1 and B1 are listed in Table V. Note that analytical transfer function for B2 assumed zero delay i.e. neglected execution time as in [?], since analytical representation of execution time which is smaller than regulation period would require modified Z transform. According to the results in Table V, C2 offers better dynamic performance than B2.

TABLE V: Simulated step response characteristics for test case 2

C2 characteristics	label	value	unit
Analytical 3dB closed loop bandwidth Analytical rise time Simulated rise time	$\begin{array}{l} f_{bw-3dB}^{an} \\ t_{rise}^{an}/Tpwm \\ t_{rise}^{sim}/Tpwm \end{array}$	3.9846 0.7897 1.125	kHz / /
B2 characteristics	label	value	unit

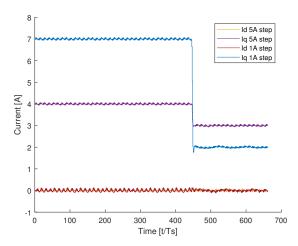


Fig. 8: Simulated step response for B2.

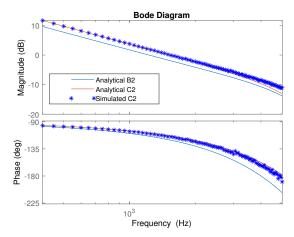


Fig. 9: Simulated open loop FRA for test case 2.

Q axis open loop FRA results for test case 2 are shown in Fig. 9. Comparison between simulated and analytical C2 FRA performance, as well as analytical B2 performance are listed in Table VI. Analytical and simulated waveforms for C2 are in good agreement, despite in the high frequency range where the MS-PWM control loop modelling approach described in Section II is of lower precision. C2 results in 1.5kHz cross-over frequency which is 25% higher than that of B2, whereas phase margin remains around 66° for both control loop architectures. Thus, the test case 2 illustrates that the MS-PWM approach offers better dynamic performance than the controller proposed in [?].

C. Control loop architecture C3: N=8 without MAF, IMC

MS-PWM control loop architecture analyzed in this subsection (further on denoted as C3) consists of IMC controller without any filters in the feedback. A benchmark for this case is the same as the benchmark for the previously analyzed case. C3 is expected to provide the dynamics better than B2, using discrete IMC without differential compensator. IMC gain for C3 is set analytically so that higher -3dB bandwidth is achieved than in case of the benchmark. Parameters for C3 are

TABLE VI: Open loop FRA performance for test case 2

C2 characteristics	label	value	unit
Analytical cross-over frequency Simulated cross-over frequency Analytical phase margin Simulated phase margin	f_c^{an} f_c^{sim} pm^{an} pm^{sim}	1.5209 1.55 66.838 65.135	kHz kHz °
B2 characteristics	label	value	unit
Analytical cross-over frequency Analytical phase margin	$f_c^{an} \\ pm^{an}$	1.2283 66.068	kHz °

shown in Table VII. Results presented within this subsection are denoted as test case 3 results.

TABLE VII: Parameters for controller C3

C3 parameters	label	value
Update rate	N	8
IMC gain	α	0.2
Feedback acquisition	/	no filters

Q current step response for C3 is shown in Fig. 10. Presented waveforms are obtained by taking each 4th sample of the dq currents which are result of the sampling and transformation process described in Section II. The aim of such a representation is to avoid plotting switching ripple which, in case of C3, is present in the sampled dq currents, so that the results are comparable with previously presented ones. In this way, represented waveforms are equivalent, in terms of switching ripple magnitude, as those obtained by conventional double update synchronous sampling. Note that no coupling between axis is present in Fig. 10. Simulated and analytical C3 step response characteristics are listed in Table VIII. According to the results in Table V and VIII, C3 offers slightly improved dynamics compared to B2. Further increase of IMC gain for C3 could theoretically result in even faster step response. However, practical implementation aspects of the higher gains without any filters in the feedback have to be carefully examined.

TABLE VIII: Simulated step response characteristics for test case 3

C3 characteristics	label	value	unit
Analytical 3dB closed loop bandwidth	f_{bw-3dB}^{an}	3.9467	kHz
Analytical rise time	$t_{rise}^{an}/Tpwm$	0.7973	/
Simulated rise time	$t_{rise}^{sim}/Tpwm$	0.8594	/

Q axis open loop FRA results for test case 3 are shown in Fig. 11. Magnitude of the analytical and simulated waveforms for C3 are in good agreement. Simulated C3 phase characteristic, however, is slightly lower the analytical one. Comparison between simulated and analytical C3 FRA performance, as well as analytical B2 performance are listed in Table IX. According to the results in Table VI and IX, C3 offers considerably higher cross-over frequency than B2, whereas phase margin remains the same. Practical implementation of C3

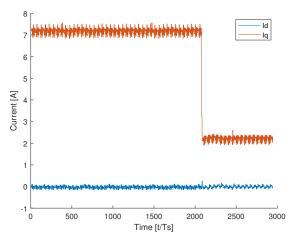


Fig. 10: Simulated step response for C3.

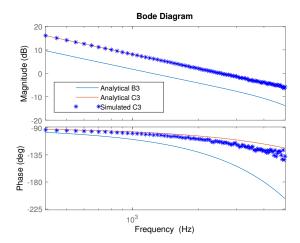


Fig. 11: Simulated open loop FRA for test case 3.

might require addition of a low-pass filter in the feedback path in order to avoid issues which might arise as a consequence of sampling the switching noise. For N=8, this is especially pronounced in the vicinity of the duty cycles which are equal to 0.25, 0.5 and 0.75 ref?.

TABLE IX: Open loop FRA performance for test case 3

C3 characteristics	label	value	unit
Analytical cross-over frequency	f_c^{an}	2.5548	kHz
Simulated cross-over frequency	f_c^{sim}	2.55	kHz
Analytical phase margin	pm^{an}	72.7824	0
Simulated phase margin	pm^{sim}	66.5165	0

V. EXPERIMENTAL VERIFICATION

VI. CONCLUSION