

Power System Frequency Estimation using Least Mean Square Filter based Algorithm

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Abstract: In the field of electrical power sector frequency as a parameter plays an important role. The value of frequency is not constant, varies according to the load conditions. The power system functionalities like operation, monitoring and controlling of electric device are having lots of contribution to it. So it is required to measure the accurate value of this slowly varying frequency. The total power generated by generating stations is equal to the power consumed and losses under steady state conditions. Due to sudden mismatch in the appearance of generation and load can deviate the frequency from its nominal value. Frequency is an important parameter which influences functions of different relays. This study was performed to calculate the frequency of voltage or current signal in the presence of noise and distortion. In this paper Least Mean Square (LMS) Filter is studied and its frequency estimations are discussed.

Index Terms: Adaptive Filters, LMS, RLS, DFT, Frequency Estimation.

I. INTRODUCTION

In a power system, the conventional techniques of phasor estimation which is based on the constant frequency modeling are affected mostly due to the dynamic variation of the frequency. Further the change in reactance component which results from the nominal value of the system frequency affects the functionality of different relays. Therefore, the frequency plays an important role in relaying, monitoring and operation and controlling of electrical devices using digital techniques.

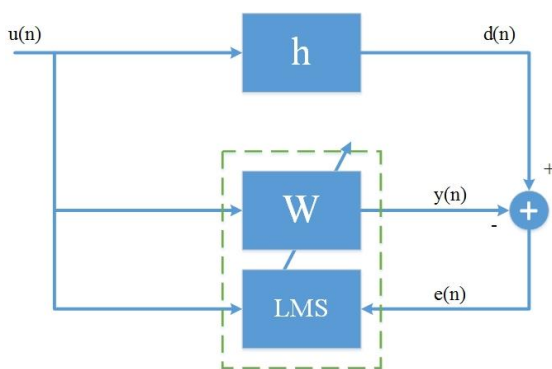


Fig.1. LMS filter with Signaling

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By considering the purely sinusoidal voltage waveform, the system frequency is indicated by the time difference between two zero crossings. However, in general, the distorted forms of measured signals are available therefore numbers of techniques are there for the power system frequency estimation. In this paper Least Mean Square (LMS) filtering technique is used for the study of frequency estimation. In figure 1 the use of least mean square filter is used at signaling purposes.

II. MODELLING OF POWER SYSTEM

In power system with no loss performance is considered for estimation. So for a better power quality it is significant to have a purely sinusoidal voltage or current signal. But in practical poor power quality results due to over voltage, under voltage, change in frequency, harmonics and generation-load mismatches. Therefore it is required to estimate the frequency accurately without any delay for the better power quality even in the presence of disturbances. To find the frequency of a pure sinusoidal voltage waveform there are some basic methods such as zero crossing detection and number of cycles calculation within a time interval are available. Discrete Fourier transform (DFT), Kalman filtering, least square error, and iterative techniques are some of the other well-known techniques in this area. In this chapter Adaptive Filters has been implemented for frequency estimation. A power system voltage or current in discrete time signal can be expressed in the form of

$$y_k = A \cos(k\omega T_s + \phi) + e_k \quad (2.1)$$

Where,

y_k = instantaneous value of signal

A = Amplitude

k = Sampling instant

T_s = Time of sampling

ω = angular frequency

ϕ = phase

e_k = Additive noise

Eq.(2.1) can be written as

$$y_k = \hat{y}_k + e_k \quad (2.2)$$

Where, \hat{y}_k is the estimated signal.

It is known that the samples of this sinusoidal signal should satisfy the following relationship.

$$\hat{y}_k - 2\cos\omega T_s \hat{y}_{k-1} + \hat{y}_{k-2} = 0 \quad (2.3)$$

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Now, the problem is to find out the value of ω from the above equation (2.3).

III. ADAPTIVE FILTER

An Adaptive filter is a linear filter which has a transfer function that is controlled by variable parameters and those parameters are adjusted by an optimization algorithm. The adaptive filters are digital filters for the complexity in the algorithm.

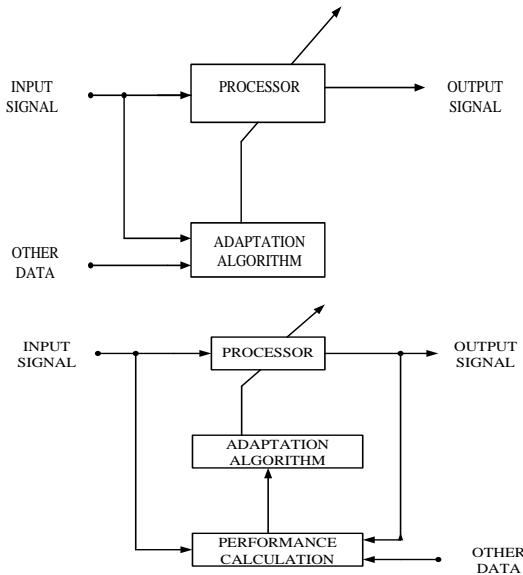


Fig.2. Open Loop Adaptive Filter Structure and Closed Loop Adaptive Filter Structure

IV. LEAST MEAN SQUARES (LMS) FILTER

LMS (Least Mean Square) algorithms are the set of adaptive filters used to imitate a desired filter by finding the co-efficient of filters which are related in producing error signals of the least mean squares. The algorithm starts by taking weights as zero (in most cases) and for each step the weights are updated by finding the mean square error. It acts as a Low-Pass filter.

The least-mean-square (LMS) algorithm consists of two basic processes:

1. A filtering process that includes (a) Evaluation of transversal filter output which is generated by tap inputs, and (b) Error estimation from the comparison between this output with desired output.
2. An adaptive process that includes automatic adjustment of the tap weights in accordance with the estimated error.

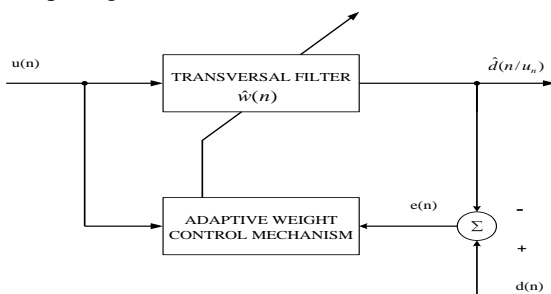


Fig.3. LMS Filter Structure

A. LMS Adaptation Algorithm

$$\nabla J(n) = -2p + 2Rw(n) \quad (2.4)$$

Where, R = correlation matrix
p = cross-correlation matrix
w(n) = weight of the system
J(n) = mean square error
 $\nabla J(n)$ = gradient vector

$$\hat{R}(n) = u(n)u^H(n) \quad (2.5)$$

Where, u(n) = input signal of the system
 $u^H(n)$ = Hessian matrix of u(n)

$$\hat{p}(n) = u(n)d^*(n) \quad (2.6)$$

Where, $d^*(n)$ = desired response of the signal

V. COMPLEX LMS BASED FREQUENCY ESTIMATION ALGORITHM

In power system the three phase voltage signal can be expressed in discretized form as

$$V_{a_k} = V_m \cos(\omega k \Delta T + \phi) + \epsilon_{a_k} \quad (2.7)$$

$$V_{b_k} = V_m \cos\left(\omega k \Delta T + \phi - \frac{2\pi}{3}\right) + \epsilon_{b_k} \quad (2.8)$$

$$V_{c_k} = V_m \cos\left(\omega k \Delta T + \phi + \frac{2\pi}{3}\right) + \epsilon_{c_k} \quad (2.9)$$

Where V_m is peak value of the voltage signal, ϵ_k is the noise component, ΔT is the sampling time, k is the sampling instant, ϕ is the phase of the signal, and ω is the angular frequency ($\omega = 2\pi f$, with f being the system frequency) [1]. The complex form of signal originated from the three-phase voltages is obtained by $\alpha\beta$ transform written as follows

$$\begin{bmatrix} V_{\alpha_k} \\ V_{\beta_k} \end{bmatrix} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \end{bmatrix} [V_{a_k} \ V_{b_k} \ V_{c_k}]^T \quad (2.10)$$

A complex voltage V_k can be obtained from above as

$$V_k = V_{\alpha_k} + jV_{\beta_k} \quad (2.11)$$

Where A is amplitude of the complex signal V_k , and ξ_k is its noise component and $\hat{V}_k = A e^{j(\omega k \Delta T + \phi)}$.

VI. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

This chapter discusses the MATLAB/Programming software implementation of LMS filter for system identification and frequency estimation.

A. LMS Filter for System Identification

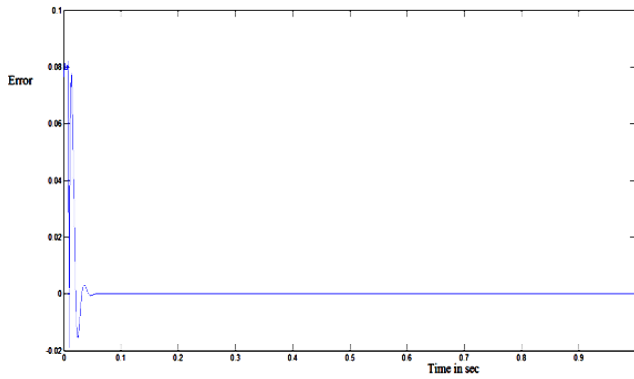


Fig.4. Error waveform of LMS Filter for System identification

For system identification the input $x(n)$ was given as $x = \sin(2\pi ft)$ and the desired input $d(n)$ was given as $d = \cos(2\pi ft)$. Where f is the frequency (50Hz). Here the LMS filter identified the system after 0.06 Sec.

B. Complex LMS Filter for Frequency Estimation

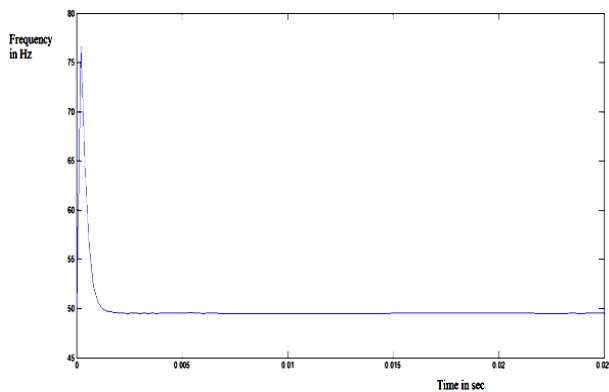


Fig.5. Approximation analysis of 49.5 Hz frequency initialized at 50 Hz by LMS

- At $t=0.00198$ sec the LMS Filter tracked the Frequency.

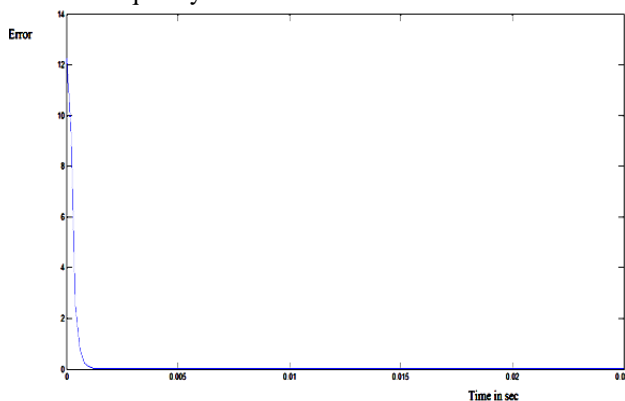


Fig.6. Error waveform of LMS Filter for the estimation of frequency 49.5 Hz

- For estimating the frequency 49.5 Hz using the LMS Filter the error becomes zero after 0.0013sec.

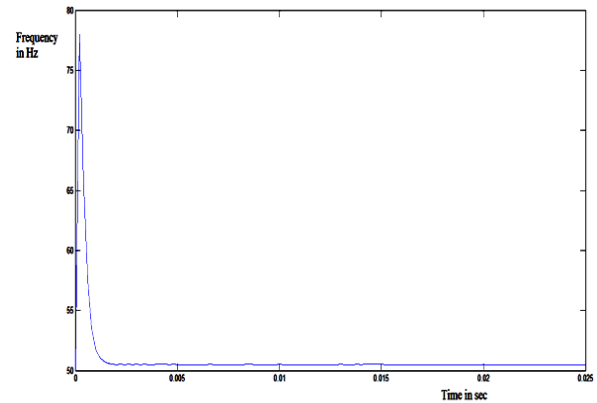


Fig.7. Approximation analysis of 50.5 Hz frequency initialized at 50 Hz by LMS

- At $t=0.0016$ sec the RLS Filter tracked the Frequency.

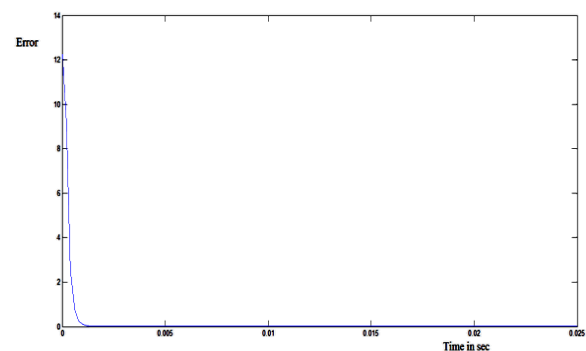


Fig.8. Error waveform of LMS Filter for estimating of frequency 50.5 Hz

- For estimating the frequency 50.5 Hz using the LMS Filter the error becomes zero after 0.0015sec.

C.For System Identification

An algorithm is applied to identify the signal. The systems are identified for LMS Filters with a sampling rate of 1kHz in MATLAB. The influencing parameters of the algorithm are $\mu = 0.05, P_{initial} = 0, \lambda = 0.97, \gamma = 0.01, \text{ and } \rho = 0.99$.

For LMS Filters two signals are given to the Filters. They are input signal i.e. $x = \sin(2\pi ft)$ and the desired signal i.e. $d = \cos(2\pi ft)$. Here f is the frequency and the value of the frequency is 50 Hz.

Here the LMS Filter identified the desired signal after 0.06 sec.

D. For Frequency Estimation

Frequency Estimation for LMS Filter

Table.1. Estimation of frequency for LMS Filter

Frequency in Hz	Time in sec. when the frequency is tracked	Time in sec. when the error becomes zero
49.5	0.00198	0.0013
50.5	0.0016	0.0015

The 49.5 Hz fundamental frequency has a signal-to-noise ratio (SNR) of 30 dB is employed to the filter which is initialized at 50 Hz and the corresponding graph is plotted in Fig.4. It is seen that after 0.00198sec the LMS Filter detects the frequency. Here the error becomes zero after 0.0013 sec. Again the 50.5 Hz fundamental frequency of 30dB signal-to-noise ratio (SNR) is employed to the filter which is initialized at 50 Hz and the graph is plotted in Fig.6. It is seen after 0.0016sec the LMS Filter detects the frequency. Here the error becomes zero after 0.0015 sec.

VII. CONCLUSION

Based on studies which are conducted in this project, the following conclusions may be derived from the above algorithm for frequency estimation. For the power system frequency estimation the least square method is the simplest one. This algorithm gives good accuracy and convergence speed. The frequency of the signal can be estimated from this least square algorithm by minimizing the squared error between the actual signal and assumed model signal. The formulation of this LMS based approach is very simple by the use of the sampled values voltage signals. The frequency estimation done here by using the distorted signals of single phase voltage waveform. The results obtained from the simulation are accurate and the estimation speed is also less even in the presence of noise. By considering different aspects the LMS based frequency estimation approach gives better rate of convergence and efficiency.

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