A Comprehensive Study to Enhance Power Transfer Capacity of Six-Phase DFIG based Wind Farm having Three-Phase Double Circuit Transmission Line

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Abstract— Improving power transmission capacity without compromising grid stability is a pressing concern for renewable energy sources like wind farms that want to be integrated into current power systems. This research looks at the possibility of six-phase transmission lines to increase the power transfer capacity of wind farms that use Doubly Fed Induction Generators (DFIGs). Through an extensive analysis of technical aspects, feasibility, and benefits, this paper aims to provide insights into the implementation of six-phase transmission lines as a viable solution for sustainable grid integration.

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I. INTRODUCTION

For attaining sustainability goals and reducing reliance on nonrenewable resources, the existing electricity networks must incorporate renewable energy production facilities, particularly wind turbines. The highly efficient and low cost option of Doubly Fed Induction Generator (DFIG) has made it to be at the forefront in the harvesting of wind energy. However, the integration of these renewable resources is problematic due to issues of power transfer capability, grid stability, and transmission.

Although conventional 3-phase overhead transmission lines are commonly used, these may not provide adequate transmission capacity for the expanding amount of power from renewables; specifically, wind farms, which are typically sited in distant locations. This is due to the fact that power transfer capacity increases with the size of wind farms and thus has to be improved to accommodate large scales of wind farms.

So, this paper aims to discuss using six-phase transmission lines to increase the power transfer capability of DFIG-based wind farms. Six-phase transmission while less common than three-phase systems has more benefits some of which include increased power throughput and better steady-state stability. Therefore, through the careful evaluation of the technical parameters, practical implementational concerns, and overall advantages of six-phase transmission in this study, its potential and performance in improving integration of DFIG-based wind farms to utility grids will be discussed.





- Some factors that must be pointed out are the challenges that may ensue while connecting DFIG based wind farms to the existing power systems.
- Learn about the development and the concept of the six-phase transmission lines while elucidating on the benefits of employing them as opposed to the conventional three-phase systems.
- Understand the principles of six-phase transmission such as system configuration, transformers, and the protection system.
- Offer perspectives of six-phase transmission in terms of its potential development and suggestions on the future investigation and utilization..

This study aims to increase the power transfer capabilities of DFIG-based wind farms through the use of six-phase transmission. By delving into these goals, we may build sustainable energy integration.

A. Background:

This section attempts to provide a thorough overview of DFIG-based wind farms by looking at the following: the challenges of implementing power sharing, the history of six-phase transmission lines, advantages of six-phase transmission lines, technical prospect of six-phase transmission lines and possibility of operating six-phase transmission lines in duopoly with DFIG six-phase systems.



Fig. 2 A Six Phase DFIG based Wind Energy Conversion System (WECS)

Now we can discuss these some more brief -

a) **DFIG-Based Wind Farms:** Wind energy production utilizing the type of DFIG has increased in recent years because of its novelty, flexibility in speed, and positive impact on the grid. A wind farm can be built using the DFIG where the rotor of the generator is connected to the grid by means of a power electronic converter through which the level of both active and reactive power can be regulated. While DFIG systems have advantages in respect to the integration into the existing power network and system performance, there are questions of power flow from wind farms to load demands as wind farms grow larger in size and capacity.

b) **Challenges in Power Transfer:** Some of the challenges that come with large wind farms integration to the current electricity systems are transmission congestion voltage stability, and grid dependability. Conventional single or three phase overhead lines may fail to handle the increased power output from wind farms especially in windy regions where the resource is plenty but the transmission networks are weak. Therefore, the methods to improve power transmission capability and integrate them into the grid have to be innovative.

c) **Evolution of Six-Phase Transmission:** Transmission lines in the form of six-phase appear to be an appropriate replacement for three-phase systems to raise the power transfer capabilities. Six-phase transmission is still in its developmental stage, and it has been conceived as a result of research conducted in the 1970s on the feasibility and benefits of implementing higher phase order transmission. Some of the advantages include; Six-phase transmission can enable the transfer of more power, the system has higher stability and there is low susceptibility to electromagnetic interference. Various aspects of six-phase transmission have been known for

over fifty years, but more research is needed to assess how this type of transmission can be incorporated into present grid systems.

d) **Advantages of Six-Phase Transmission:** As wind energy is an erratic and periodic source of power, six phase transmission lines are the most suitable for they have the following advantages over the conventional three phase systems. It has been observed that the use of six-phase transmission lines can help in improving power transfer capability by the introduction of more phases even with out investing heavily in infrastructure. Also, six-phase transmission lines have the flexibility to minimize the line losses, voltage regulation and congestion issues of the system while enhancing the integration of renewable energy resources into the grid.

e) **Technical Implementation and Feasibility:** Some of the issues that need to be addressed in the design of systems involving six-phase transmission include system configuration, transformers, the protection system and control strategies. Several investigations have indicated that it is technologically possible to upgrade current three-phase overhead transmission lines to six phases and economically competitive to construct new structure. The following issues are still outstanding: standardization, interfacing to legacy equipment, and integration with grid operators. Economic and practicality field studies and proofs are critical in evaluating the prospects of six-phase transmission in actual application.

f) Therefore, it is clear that the issue with power transfer capacity in DFIG-based wind farms is one that needs to be solved through the use of more sophistication such as six-phase transmission. By applying six-phase transmission, it is possible to enhance the dependability, effectiveness, and emissive character of power systems by leveraging on methods of grid integration and advancements in the transmission technology. Thus, it could result in the future with increased share of renewable energy and increased resilience.

B. Motivation:

It is therefore necessary to upgrade the power transmission capacity of DFIG-based wind farms, which explains why this study is being undertaken. Thus, the study will ensure development of a more resilient, environmentally sensitive, and efficient transmission line system with six-phase transmission lines. A few examples of motivation points under the Key point motivation are -

a) **Growing Demand for Renewable Energy:** Concerns about climate change and the necessity to reduce emissions of greenhouse gases have led to a greater emphasis on renewable energy sources, such as wind power. In this change, wind farms built in DFIG are vital since they turn wind energy into electricity. But, grid integration and power transfer capability are two major obstacles that must be overcome before wind power can reach its full potential.

b) **Optimizing Grid Integration:** Problems with grid stability, frequency regulation, and voltage variations are among the many technical obstacles to grid integration of large-scale wind farms. If wind farms are to make the most of their grid contribution while keeping system reliability high, their power transfer capacity must be improved. An attractive option for improving grid integration is the use of six-phase transmission lines, which allow for more capacity and flexibility in electricity transmission from wind farms to load centres.

c) **Efficient Resource Utilization:** There are regions that have poor grids in remote areas, but, they boast of adequate wind power. They require effective and relatively low cost means for transporting more renewable energy resources from the presently preferred generation sites to the load centres. Applying the six-phase structure as a retrofit to the present three-phase structure for the three-phase transmission lines also provides a sound approach to the use of existing structures while increasing power transfer. It is still possible to make smarter choices of how resources are used in the transmission process, thereby reducing the reliance on new transmission structures and techniques.

d) **Addressing Grid Congestion:** This has been a major issue with the integration of renewable energy production into the electrical grid because of congestion. Intermittent loading of power may also decrease the amounts of renewable energy that is generated especially in regions where Wind power is generated in abundance due to congestion of the power grid. Six-phase transmission lines have the potential of solving the problem of grid infrastructure overload since they increase the capacity of existing transmission pathways and facilitate optimal control of power flows.

e) **Meeting Renewable Energy Targets:** The target of the percentage of renewable energy sources that have to be employed for generation of electricity is a target that many countries consider to be challenging. In order to achieve these goals, one must eliminate the main factors which hinder the adoption of renewable energy sources, namely the financial and technological constraints. With six-phase transmission, we can accelerate the process of building a cleaner energy economy and contribute to the global goals of using more renewable energy sources in power generation.

In the context of the transition to the use of renewable energy, the issues of increasing the power transfer capacity in DFIG-based wind farms for accelerating the transition to renewable energy, improving the integration of wind turbines into the grid, and overcoming the technological challenges related to it are of major importance. To

understand how to fully harness the wind power potential and create a stronger and more stable energy system, it is necessary to discuss the possibilities of using the six-phase lines for electric power transmission.

II. OBJECTIVE

The objective of this research is to increase the ability of wind farms employing DFIGs in the transmission of power by performing a detailed evaluation of six-phase transmission lines. In this regard, the following objectives are expected to be achieved by the conduct of the research:

a) **Investigate the Feasibility:** Evaluate the practical viability of transforming the existing three-phase overhead and underground transmission system to six-phase in order to integrate DFIG based wind farms into the power system. This include evaluating the suitability of six-phase transmission technology with existing infrastructure, thus, potential obstacles and opportunities being determined.

b) **Evaluate Performance:** Discuss the characteristics of six-phase transmission lines based on power throughput, voltage regulation, incorporation into the power grid and the general stability of the power system. Perform simulations and field experimentations to assess how much boost is realized through the use of six-phase lines as opposed to the conventional three-phase transmission.

c) **Optimize Design:** Design efficient algorithms and methods for analyzing and designing the six-phase transmission system taking into consideration the need of the DFIG wind farms. This also entails conductor rating, tower design, protection schemes and control strategies in an aim to enhance power transfer while at the same time minimizing losses.

d) **Assess Economic Viability:** Whether it is viable to upgrade existing six-phase transmission lines to increase power transfer capability of wind farms, the cost-benefit analysis has to be done to determine the viability of the project. Discuss the initial capital expenditures and operating cost, as well as the cost savings arising from enhanced electricity transmission capability and minimized RE curtailment.

e) **Address Technical Challenges:** Recognize and solve various problems linked to the use of six-phase power transmission systems including protection issues in the multi-phase power system system. Design new methods and ways to address the challenges of the six-phase transmission line and its safe and efficient operation at various scenarios.

f) **Provide Recommendations:** Make concrete suggestions and lay out rules for utilities, grid operators, and legislators based on the study's conclusions about the installation of six-phase transmission lines to connect DFIG-based wind farms to the power grid. Bring attention to the legal frameworks, technical standards, and best practices that will facilitate the broad use of six-phase gearbox technology.

By achieving these objectives, this study hopes to contribute to the development of grid integration solutions for renewable energy sources, particularly wind power production based on DFIG. Through empirical analysis, modelling studies, and techno-economic evaluations, this project seeks to illuminate the potential benefits, drawbacks, and opportunities of constructing six-phase transmission lines within the context of wind energy integration.

III. OVERVIEW OF DFIG-BASED WIND FARMS

As a result, DFIG technology has emerged as an efficient and viable option for wind energy harvesting because of its high level of control, reliability, and cost. DFIG wind farms consist of several renewable wind turbines which are connected to a particular electrical network to produce and distribute electricity. In these configurations, the primary converter for converting the wind power to electricity is a DFIG, which is employed on each turbine.

a) **DFIG Configuration:** The DFIG configuration involves a wound rotor induction generator which has the rotor coils connected to the grid using a power electronics converter normally a back to back voltage source converter (VSC). This configuration also permits variable speed operation which means the turbine rotor will be spinning at speeds that allows it to capture as much energy as possible across the wind speeds.

b) **Grid Integration:** Substation connections enable connection of DFIG based wind farms to the electrical grid to have the produced electricity stepped up with a view of transmitting it to load centres that are far afield. There are grid codes and regulations which control the performance regulations and grid connection specifications for integrating wind power into the grid efficiently and stably.

c) **Control Strategies:** The control strategies are the most important factors that can help in increasing the efficiency of the DFIG based wind power plant. It controls the power exchange between the generator and the grid for the functions of providing reactive power, voltage control, and stabilization of the grid frequency. Sophisticated control algorithms like the MPPT, and the pitch angle control are used to enhance power harvesting while at the same time ensuring adequate stability of the grid.

d) **Fault Ride-Through Capability:** For voltage dips or faults, DFIG-based wind turbines have a FRT – fault ride through capability necessary for grid stability. During grid faults the converter control system allows

the wind turbine to remain online and also provide the necessary amount of reactive power to regulate the grid, thus increasing the overall grid robustness and reliability.

e) **Variable Power Output:** To be specific, DFIG technology used in wind farms allows varying power output proportional to wind speed and direction, which is characteristic of these farms. Sophisticated control strategies automatically change the turbine rotor speed and power with respect to energy yield but within utility operating requirements.

f) **Scalability and Modular Design:** The wind farms based on the DFIG have a scalability and modularity of the design that also provides opportunities to include new turbines into the system and increase the overall capacity if needed. Modular design allows for easy access for maintenance, repair, or replacement of certain parts of a system without affecting the rest of the system and hence increasing reliability.

In summary, wind farms implemented with DFIG are a diverse and effective solution for utilizing wind power and for advancing the application of renewable energy. Their incorporation into present power systems ensures a steady and dependable operation due to their scalability, their ability to operate in harmony with the current grid, and their impressive control features.

IV. WORKING PRINCIPLES OF DFIG

In most modern wind turbines, the Doubly Fed Induction Generator (DFIG) is a crucial component that helps in converting the wind energy into electrical energy. This paper provides a detailed understanding of the working principles of DFIG that will help in appreciating its use in improving the power transfer capability in wind farms.



Fig. 3 A Pictorial Representation of electricity generation through Six Phase DFIG



Fig. 4 Stator Winding displacement of Six Phase DFIG

Below are the fundamental principles governing the operation of DFIGs:

a) **Generator Structure:** A wound rotor induction generator abbreviated as WRIG is used as a core element of the DFIG. An interface circuit connects the rotor windings to the electricity grid. DFIGs can therefore produce power at variable speeds to ensure that maximum amount of energy is collected from the wind throughout a wide range of wind speeds unlike the fixed speed induction generators.

b) **Rotor Circuit:** The rotor circuit of the DFIG is provided with three-phase coil, which is connected in star. These windings are supplied with the variable frequency and voltage by the means of the slip rings and brushes and thus the power is interchanged between the rotor and the grid.

c) **Stator Circuit:** The stator circuit of the DFIG operates at synchronous speed given the fact that it is connected to the grid. In this case, the stator windings produce a rotating magnetic field when energized, which in turn produces voltage in the rotor windings through electromagnetic induction.

d) **Power Electronics Converter:** The rotor-side converter (RSC) or power electronics converter controls the flow of electrical power into the rotor together with the grid. IGBTs and other semiconductor devices are stacked one on the other in a way that the gate of one transistor is placed over the drain of the other one.

e) **Variable-Speed Operation:** DFIGs work in variable frequency mode hence the speed of the rotor can change in a bid to be independent of the grid frequency. This feature allows the turbine rotor to turn at suitable speed in order to maximize the energy and as a result optimizes the efficiency and performance.

f) **Active and Reactive Power Control:** This control is done through the RSC where both the active and the reactive power that is supplied or taken from the rotor side and the grid side are regulated. By changing the firing angle of the converter and the modulation index, the RSC controls the flow of the power and help in voltage controlling and reassuring the balance between the wind power and the grid.

g) **Pitch Control:** Besides, the control of power electronics, it is also common for DFIG based wind turbines to employ pitch control for regulation of the rotor blades according to the varying wind conditions. Pitch control is also aimed at increasing the overall energy captured, as well as preserving the operational safety and stability of the turbines.

h) **Grid Synchronization:** The stator circuit of the DFIG synchronises the rotation of the rotor and allows the DFIGs to operate in parallel with the grid and generate electrical power depending on the requirement of the grid. Synchronization of the grid is done consciously by controlling the phase angle and the frequency of the converter.

i) **Fault Ride-Through Capability:** The fault ride-through functionality means that wind turbines using DFIG technology can continue to operate and remain connected to the grid even when there are problems such as voltage fluctuations or faults. To control active power, the RSC adjusts the reactive power output in such a way as to maintain the grid stability and voltage during any fluctuations.

j) **Overall Efficiency:** Through variable speed operation, active and reactive power control, and incorporation of various power qualities, DFIGs are well suited for wind energy conversion. It provides higher energy capture capability as compared to that of fixed speed induction generators, which in turn results in improved overall turbine and wind farm performance.

Altogether, the operation principles of DFIGs include effective control of electrical power, speed control and its application to the grid. For these reasons, DFIG based wind turbines are well placed to improve power transfer capability in wind farm and in optimizing renewable power output.

V. GRID INTEGRATION CHALLENGES

Integration of the grid also presents some challenges in the DFIG based wind farms depending on the size of the power transfer and how it affects the efficiency of the wind farm. These challenges stem from the intermittent and variable nature of wind power generation and the dynamic and complex nature of the electrical system. Following are some of the critical issues related to the integration of DFIG wind farms into the grid:

a) **Grid Code Compliance:** Storms: DFIG based wind farms must also follow the grid codes that outline technical standards for connecting to and participating in the electrical grid. In some grid codes, there are strict requirement of voltage and frequency control, fault ride through and reactive power provision. It is critical to conform to these requirements to achieve a stable grid integration system.

b) **Voltage and Frequency Fluctuations:** Unlike other sources of energy, wind power is stochastic in nature and thus causes variations in voltage and frequency in the network. DFIGs have to control their generated output in order to ensure that the voltage/frequency does not fluctuate beyond the set standards of the power grid. Fluctuations in wind speed generate fluctuations in output power and hence complex control schemes must be applied to minimize disturbances on the electrical grid.

c) **Low-Voltage Ride-Through (LVRT):** To maintain stability, the designed and constructed wind turbines using the DFIG technology must be capable of surviving and responding to LVRT situations. Generally, during LVRT events, the grid voltage may drop dramatically, and thus there is a threat of disconnection or

destruction of some parts of the wind turbines. The goal is to follow strict control measures as well as protective measures in order to maintain the functionality of the system and stability of the grid during such occasions.

d) **Reactive Power Support:** Due to this, DFIGs are also expected to supply reactive power help in an effort to regulate voltage ranges and stabilize the grid. This is where reactive power control is critical for voltage control in particular areas of the grid that are weak or constrained where voltage fluctuation is more experienced. Optimal control of multiple wind turbines in a wind farm while providing reactive power support is essential for accessibility of the power transfer capability.

e) **Grid Congestion and Grid Access:** Minimal amount of grid capacity and congestion can hinder the implementation of DFIG based wind farm especially in an area of high renewable integration. There may be challenges related to access to the grid because of the transmission problems, lack of access to infrastructure or even policies. The resolution of grid congestion, which can be through grid extension and upgrading, grid optimization, and proper planning is crucial in the enhancement of transfer capacity and enabling of renewable power.

f) **Power Quality and Harmonics:** Compared to fixed-speed wind turbines, power electronics converters in DFIG wind turbines have higher probabilities of creating power quality issues such as flicker and voltage harmonics. Harmonic distortion and flicker are known to impact other connected appliances and loads and they cause negative effects on the stability and reliability of the grid. There is always a way of reducing the PQ disturbances through the use of filtering and mitigation techniques so that the system complies with the gird codes.

g) **Intermittency and Forecasting Accuracy:** Grid operators face difficulties in balancing supply and demand due to the intermittent nature of wind power generation. To schedule conventional power units and operate the grid optimally, accurate wind resource forecasts are required. To reduce the effect of wind intermittency and increase grid reliability, it is necessary to improve forecasting accuracy by using meteorological techniques, data analytics, and advanced modelling.

h) Developers of wind farms, operators of the grid, legislators, and suppliers of related technologies must work together to overcome these obstacles to grid integration. Maximising the power transfer capacity and ensuring seamless integration of DFIG-based wind farms into the electrical grid requires the deployment of advanced control and monitoring systems, investments in grid infrastructure upgrades, and the implementation of grid-friendly operation strategies.



VI. NEED FOR ENHANCED POWER TRANSFER There are a number of reasons why DFIG-based wind farms need to improve their power transfer capability. These

include the increasing need for renewable energy integration, the growth of wind power installations, and the

Fig. 5 Six Phase Power system Eco-System

Here are some key reasons highlighting the necessity for enhancing power transfer capacity:

a) **Renewable Energy Integration Targets:** Most countries of the world have planned high level of renewable energy generation and integration with the power system to address climate change, emissions reductions and sustainable development goals. The utilization of wind electric power is among the significant renewable energy resources that contribute significantly towards achieving these goals. Nevertheless, for a

constraints of the current grid infrastructure.

growing amount of wind energy to be integrated into the grid, there is a need to upgrade the wind farm's power transmission capability.

b) **Expansion of Wind Power Installations:** The use of wind power installations such as DFIG based wind farms has been growing at an alarming rate in the recent past due to technology development, reduction in costs of the equipment and favorable government policies. Over the years, there has been a rapid growth in the installation of wind farms mainly in areas with high wind potential; this may present challenges to existing grid systems since there may be limitations in handling the increased power generated from these wind farms.

c) **Grid Limitations and Congestion:** Transmission infrastructure that currently exists could be limited both in terms of its capacity to transmit power and also with respect to its stability where there is a high level of wind power penetration. The inherent characteristics of the power grid and congestion can limit the optimal deployment of wind power potential and result in curtailment of renewable power. Increasing the ability to transfer power is critical for addressing grid congestion issues and fully leveraging RE assets.

d) **Optimizing Wind Farm Performance:** Integrating techniques that allow the DFIG based wind farms to transmit more electricity will enhance their capacity to perform optimally and generate more power. More efficient interconnection and less transmission loss in the grid connection system can be beneficial to wind farm operators in increasing the efficiency and profitability of the operations. Higher power transfer capacity would mean that wind farms are capable of supplying more electricity to the grid and this would improve on revenue generation and returns on investment.

e) **Grid Resilience and Reliability:** By boosting the PT levels of wind farms, we will be in a position to scale up our energy portfolio without focusing on the conventional fossil fuel power generation, thus enhancing the stability and efficiency of the electricity grid. Therefore, by incorporating more of the renewable energy especially from wind power systems, countries will be in a position to improve energy security, minimize disruptions of energy supplies, and develop a stronger electricity supply system.

f) **Meeting Growing Electricity Demand:** Meaning, in the subsequent years, the necessity for energy will surge tremendously because several segments of the economy will be electrified, such as transport, heating, and industrial processes. The need for electric power is set to rise further and therefore requires a corresponding increase in the installation of renewable energy particularly wind power for sustainable and competitive generation. Improvement of the capability of DFIG based wind farm is important for future electrical energy utilization without the use of conventional energies.

g) In summary, the demand to increase the PTC of DFIG used wind farms is due to the necessity of increasing the percentage of clean, renewable power, improving the overall performance of wind farms, increasing the stability of power delivery, and catering for increasing demand for electricity in a sustainable manner. To meet this need, there must be Grid modernisation, Transmission infrastructure enhancement and proper integration of wind power into the grid system which may involve the development of specific wind power integration solutions that are unique to the concerns and potentials of wind energy integration.

VII. HISTORICAL EVOLUTION AND CONCEPT OF SIX-PHASE TRANSMISSION

In the early 1970s, there was a rising interest in high-phase order power transmission systems as a way to improve electrical grids' ability to transmit power and handle new problems that were starting to arise. This sparked the historical development of six-phase transmission.





Fig. 6 Phasor Conversion of two 3 Phase into single six phase

a) **Early Conceptualization:** The need to formulate a new transmission technique which is a six-phase transmission system arose from the realization of problems that come with the three-phase transmission systems especially when it comes to meeting the increasing demand for electricity and incorporation of renewable energy sources. Innovators and scientists started to look for new designs of transmission configurations that may provide larger capacities, higher efficiency and more reliability for the power systems.

b) **CIGRE Report and Initial Studies:** One of the major important landmarks in the fields of six-phase transmission was the release of a document by CIGRE in 1972. This report, described as 'High Phase Order Power Transmission,' introduced the higher phase order system like the six-phase system to transmit electrical power. The report generated a lot of attention from utilities, researchers, and policymakers due to the prospects that the six-phase transmission system offered and subsequent investigations were conducted to determine the viability of adopting the new transmission system.

c) **Feasibility Studies by Utilities:** Specifically, US utilities started out by conducting preliminary investigations into the viability of integrating the six-phase transmission technology into current power grid systems. The Allegheny Power System (APS), for instance, conducted a detailed study in the latter half of the '70s regarding the feasibility of converting from 3-phase double circuit to 6-phase transmission. These assessments included conductor gradients, stability characteristics and possible benefits over the conventional three-phase systems.

d) **Experimental Demonstrations and Test Projects:** The actual experiments and pilot tests were carried out in the following years in order to prove the effectiveness and efficiency of six-phase transmission under real conditions of power system. A number of DOE-sponsored undertakings were conducted with the intent of evaluating the viability of transmitting voltages having a high phase order, and experimental test lines were constructed at various sites as part of these initiatives. These projects offered great experience that allowed the investigation of the behaviour of six-phase transmission systems in various operating conditions and improved the existing design approaches and practices.

e) **Commercialization and Deployment:** In the early period there were some doubts and technological barriers in the use of six-phase transmission system but after some time the idea was accepted and transmitted into the commercial stages and implemented in some regions. Due to the growing demand of renewable energy supply and an increase in power transfer capacity, utilities and operators of the transmission networks looked forward to the six-phase transmission as an upgraded version of the conventional three-phase transmission system. The outlines of six-phase transmission and its benefits in enhancing the overall grid performance, reliability and security were demonstrated through pilot projects and demonstration initiatives.

f) **Current Trends and Future Outlook:** However, in more recent years, several technological developments such as digital control systems and advanced materials have supported the practicability of six-phase transmission and even grid optimization algorithms. This article shows that current and future studies are still aiming at finding new ways of overcoming technical difficulties and improving the efficiency of six-phase transmission systems. Healing the future, six-phase transmission systems are expected to take a key role in the upgrading of existing electrical networks, integration of renewable energy resources and in providing robust and sustainable power supply for the next generations.

g) In conclusion, the development and idea of six-phase transmission have passed through the three phases, from the initial idea to the experimental level and up to the present times. Therefore, based on the research and development studies, six-phase transmission may be utilized to transform the power transmission systems as well as make significant enhancements to the existing power grids while enabling large-scale integration of renewable energy sources.

VIII. ADVANTAGES OVER TRADITIONAL THREE-PHASE SYSTEMS

There are a number of benefits to switching to six-phase transmission systems from three-phase ones, including more efficiency, better performance, and more power transmission flexibility..



This section outlines some of the key advantages of six-phase transmission:

a) **Increased Power Transfer Capacity:** In fact, the use of six-phase transmission offers a number of advantages of which the most notable is the boost in power transfer capability compared to the more common three-phase systems. With higher phase orders like six phase transmission, it is possible to increase the amount of electrical power transported through the transmission lines without necessarily having to undertake costly and time consuming reinforcements to the existing structures. This enhanced capability is beneficial for connecting the large-scale generation facilities such as solar and wind farm, as well as catering to rising demand for electricity.

b) **Improved Grid Stability and Reliability:** STUDIES have shown that through application of six-phase power transmission networks, the reliability and stability of the grid may be enhanced, especially in instances where there is variability in renewable energy generation. The additional cycles provide extra redundancy and fault tolerance to reduce the likelihood of occurrences such as cascading failures and blackouts. Moreover, they argue that the use of six-phase transmission also helps in the suppression of voltage fluctuations as well as counterbalanced distribution of power making the functioning of the power gird more efficient and stable.

c) **Reduced Conductor Gradients:** The six-phase transmission lines have a little conductor gradient than in the three-phase transmission lines and therefore the losses associated with transmitting power is relatively small and the efficiency is also relatively high. This has been argued to be due to the fact that currents in the six phases are balanced and thus there are very little chances of high current that can cause heating of the line or drop in voltage. Therefore, six-phase systems are capable of transmitting and distributing electricity over larger distances than single phase systems due to the increased number of phases.

d) **Potential Environmental Benefits:** There could be some advantages realized out of six-phase transmission in as much as the amount of EMF, audible noise, and radio interference is concerned. The equal and opposite nature of the 6 phase lines minimizes the impacts of emis on the environment making it desirable to be laid in high population density regions or sensitive ecosystems. Also, the increase of the transmission network system by the use of six phase technology has the potential to support the improvement of the grid and the achievement of sustainable energy goals.

e) **Compatibility with Existing Infrastructure:** The six phase transmission system can leverage towers, conductors and substations from the existing and functioning transmission system, and this will help in lowering the cost of putting the new system into practice besides decreasing the time taken for the process. The integration of six-phase distribution into the existing power system can be carried out by the utilities and the transmission operators, hence changing the existing three-phase lines. It also assists in transition to the six-phase technology by enabling compatibility with the existing conventional models and systems and by checking if all resources and assets in the system are exploited to the maximum.

f) **Flexibility and Scalability:** It is therefore important to note that six-phase transmission does offer more flexibility and improved solutions as compared to the conventional three-phase systems and hence suitable for diverse grids and operational needs. What is striking about six-phase transmission is that more phases can be added as needed, and additions and changes to an existing six-phase system can be made systematically to adapt to new requirements and technologies, as well as load requirements. It also makes the grid more resilient to changes in the operating environment and capable of supplying consumers in circumstances where the context is dynamic.

g) In conclusion, it is possible to name the advantages of six-phase transmission systems, which indicate that they can greatly contribute to the development of methods for increasing the power transfer capability and improving the efficiency of transmission systems, thus supporting the transition towards a more sustainable energy system. Hence in this paper six phase transmission is considered as a system capable of displaying the direction to follow in achieving the objectives of integrating latest technologies as well as new design into the electrical grid system.

IX. APPLICABILITY TO WIND FARM INTEGRATION

Since the integration of intermittent renewable energy sources including the wind power in the grid is rather complicated due to the nature of the power sources, the six-phase transmission method is indeed relevant to the connection of wind farms.





This section explores how six-phase transmission addresses key requirements and considerations for wind farm integration:

a) **Enhanced Power Transfer Capacity:** Transmission through six-phase transmission lines can allow for a much higher power transfer than can be seen in three-phase transmission systems. This capacity is important in managing the variability and fluctuation in generation of wind energy. Through six-phase transmission mechanism, wind farms can enable more electricity generation and evacuation without experiencing constraints within the grid system, thereby fully exploiting wind resources and effectively distributing electricity in load demand areas.

b) **Grid Stability and Reliability:** Even though wind energy is clean and renewable, it suffers from the variability and uncertainty in power output, and this is an issue that complicates the integration of wind farms into the grid. Six-phase transmission systems also offer enhanced fault tolerance, reduced voltage variation, and increased system robustness in ways by which they positively affect the stability of the grid. The six-phase line configuration enhances the utilization of series capacitors by balancing the phase voltages and currents so that wind perturbations are effectively reduced and the grid is stabilized despite the integration of variable renewable energy resources.

c) **Reduced Conductor Gradients:** Compared with the traditional three-phase distribution systems, sixphase transmission lines have less conductor gradients hence improved efficiency and lower losses. This reduction in gradients is especially useful in transferring powers from the distant area of wind farms to load zones, which often entails extended transmission. Thus, six-phase technology reduces energy losses in the transmission line and improves the effectiveness of integrating wind farms into the power grid, which is the determining factor in the economic efficiency of wind power.

d) **Environmental Considerations:** It has been suggested that the use of six-phase transmission for the connection of the wind farm might be beneficial in terms of its environmental impact by lowering levels of EMF and radio interference. This is very crucial especially in regions where wind farms are established in close proximity to populated areas or even natural ecosystems. Due to its ability to reduce the negative impact of transmission infrastructure on the environment, six-phase technology enhances the likelihood of approval and adoption of wind power projects as a renewable energy source as it addresses potential external negative impacts.

e) **Compatibility with Existing Infrastructure:** As for the six-phase transmission systems, for wind farm integration, they can take advantage of existing infrastructure and can be very cost effective and can be integrated easily into the grid. Onshore wind farms can leverage existing transmission lines and substations that have been upgraded to six-phase with minimal integration costs. Compatibility with old infrastructure in cutting down the time of deployment and capital costs of wind farm development enhances the transition to renewable energy sources and optimizes the usage of existing grid infrastructure.

f) **Flexibility and Scalability:** Again, six-phase transmission may be useful and effective in handling the variability associated with wind farms since it is a scalable solution to the integration problem. The concepts of modularity and scalability will allow for designing and implementing the 6-phase transmission system for wind farms based on their capacity, location, and grid connection requirements. The ability to adapt to such changes is important in designing and implementing barrier-free grid infrastructure that can accommodate increased wind power generation and capacity addition in the future.

g) Thus, the analysis of six-phase transmission in the context of wind farm integration responds to some of the major issues regarding Power Transfer Capacity, System Stability, Environmental Conditions, and Compatibility of Infrastructure. When applying six-phase technology, wind farms are able to eliminate the issues that hinder integration, achieve optimal energy delivery and promote the shift towards sustainable and more resistant energy systems.

IX. TECHNICAL IMPLEMENTATION OF SIX-PHASE TRANSMISSION

The technical implementation of six-phase transmission involves several key components and considerations to ensure efficient and reliable operation.



This section provides an overview of the technical aspects involved in deploying six-phase transmission systems for wind farm integration:

a) Transmission Line Design:

• The design of six-phase transmission lines encompasses conductor selection, tower configuration, and insulation coordination to accommodate the increased power transfer capacity and unique characteristics of six-phase operation.

• Conductors with appropriate cross-sectional area and material properties are chosen to minimize losses and ensure thermal stability under operating conditions.

• Tower designs are optimized to support the increased conductor weight and maintain proper clearances between phases to prevent corona discharge and ensure safety. Insulation coordination considers the voltage levels, environmental conditions, and electrical stresses to maintain dielectric integrity and prevent insulation failures.

b) **Transformer Configuration:**

• Six-phase transmission systems require specialized transformer configurations to interface with conventional three-phase grid infrastructure and wind farm generators.

• Transformer connections may include delta-grounded wye and inverted wye-delta configurations to facilitate the conversion between six-phase and three-phase operation.

• To ensure compliance with grid connectivity requirements and power transfer capacities of wind farms, transformer ratings are chosen according to transmission system voltage levels.

c) **Protection and Control Systems:**

• The protection and control systems for six-phase transmission lines are designed to detect and mitigate faults while ensuring safe and reliable operation.

• Multi-functional microprocessor-based relays are employed for fault detection, current differential protection, directional comparison, and distance protection.

• Protection coordination strategies consider fault scenarios and fault clearing times to minimize downtime and maintain grid stability.

• Breaker failure protection and auto reclosing mechanisms are implemented to isolate faults and restore service following transient disturbances.

d) **Communication and Monitoring:**

• Communication systems facilitate real-time monitoring, control, and coordination of six-phase transmission assets, including substations, transformers, and protection devices.

• Fiber-optic communication channels are used to transmit sampled values, trip signals, and status information between substations and relay devices.

• In order to facilitate proactive maintenance and problem management, supervisory control and data acquisition (SCADA) systems provide operators insight into the transmission network's operational condition and performance.

e) Grid Integration and Interconnection:

• Six-phase transmission systems must comply with grid codes and interconnection standards to ensure seamless integration with the existing grid infrastructure.

• Research into grid connectivity aims to determine how wind farm integration affects electricity quality, voltage control, and grid stability in order to propose improvements and reinforcements to the grid.

• Grid synchronization and phasing procedures are followed during commissioning and energization to synchronize the output of wind farm generators with the grid frequency and voltage levels.

By addressing these technical aspects, the implementation of six-phase transmission enables efficient, reliable, and sustainable integration of wind farm generation into the grid, supporting the transition to a clean energy future.

X. FUTURE PROSPECTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

In view of the above, it becomes pertinent to look to the future and give suggestions as to how six-phase transmission technology can be implemented on a massive scale and developed further. These are the areas which should be expanded in the future research and that would help policymakers to focus on the key aspects of six-phase transmission application for connecting wind farms.

Scaling Up and Replication of Successful Implementations:

a) **Replication Strategies:** Explain to utilities and transmission operators the practices that have been successfully used in the six-phase transmission integration with wind farm projects in other areas. Develop implementation toolkits, discussion forums, exemplar databases and other resources to support the identification, capture, replication and scaling up of lessons learned.

b) **Capacity Building:** Funding measures to enhance the awareness and understanding of engineers, technicians, and policymakers on the development, implementation, and management of six-phase transmission systems. Provide technical seminars, courses and certification so that the interested parties would be knowledgeable and capable of using the six-phase project approach in project management.

c) **Public-Private Partnerships:** Encourage coordination between public and private sectors for speeding up the adoption of six-phase transmission systems. Promote public-private partnership particularly in financing, implementation and technology transfer for development of strategies for PPPs for financing, project development, and technology transfer initiatives, because both sectors have their unique capabilities that can be harnessed to enhance innovative implementation.

Research Directions:

a) **Advanced Transformer Technologies:** Ensure that funding is directed towards R&D projects to design and enhance new transformer solutions designed for six-phase transmission use. Investigate new material, insulation, and cooling methods for improving the performance, accessibility, and size of the transformer that is suitable for six-phase operation.

b) **Fault Detection and Mitigation:** Continued experimentation in identifying faults and protection schemes for six-phase transmission line systems, especially in the areas of developing AI-based diagnostic tools for fault recognition, fault handling techniques, and self-healing mechanisms. To enhance the dependability of the system and also the ability to resist faults, consider utilizing data analysis, AI, and ML.

c) **Grid Integration Modeling:** Create improved grid integration modeling tools and simulators for evaluating reactivity, stability, and reliability of six-phase distribution networks in wind farm connection situations. Introduce a more complex dynamic modeling of the wind turbine systems, of the converter control techniques, and of the grid interaction to achieve a better accuracy and a more precise prediction.

Policy Implications

a) **Regulatory Frameworks:** Call on governments to encourage supportive policies and guidelines regarding the acceptance of six-phase transmission technology for wind farm interconnection. Work with regulatory agencies to address the issues of permit requirements and standardize interconnection procedures and develop new performance-based incentives for six-phase projects.

b) **Renewable Energy Targets:** Mention the compatibility of the policy goals with the objectives of renewable energy and climate change abatement by advocating for the use of six phase transmission systems in supporting large scale wind power penetration. Establish new renewable energy purchase goals, carbon prices, and emissions reduction requirements for creating market demand for clean power infrastructure.

c) **International Collaboration:** Participate in international cooperation and research programs to build a global consensus regarding the technical specifications of the six-phase transmission system, as well as to discuss the experiences and establish the cooperation on the development of six-phase transmission technology. Engage in multiple bilateral and regional organizations and technology sharing cooperation to effectively utilize global best practices to advance integration of wind farm solutions.

By prioritizing these future prospects and recommendations, stakeholders can unlock the full potential of sixphase transmission technology in enhancing power transfer capacity, improving grid stability, and facilitating the transition to a sustainable energy future powered by DFIG-based wind farms.

XI. CONCLUSION

a) **Summary of Key Findings:** In this study, we conducted an in-depth exploration of six-phase transmission technology and its application in enhancing the power transfer capacity of DFIG-based wind farms. Key findings from our analysis include:

• Six-phase transmission offers significant advantages over traditional three-phase systems, including increased power transfer capacity, improved grid stability, and reduced conductor gradients.

• The adoption of six-phase transmission presents viable solutions to grid integration challenges associated with variable renewable energy sources, such as wind power.

• Technical implementation of six-phase transmission involves advanced transformer configurations, grid connection strategies, and protection systems tailored for wind farm integration.

• Challenges related to grid stability, environmental considerations, and technological complexities require innovative solutions and collaborative efforts to address effectively.

b) **Implications for Renewable Energy Integration:** The results of this research have important consequences for how renewable power sources, especially wind farms based on DFIG, are integrated into the power grid. By leveraging six-phase transmission technology, utilities and transmission operators can:

• Raising transmission line efficiency and power transfer capacity will allow wind resources to be used to their fullest potential.

• Improve the grid's stability and dependability to lessen reliance on fossil fuels and make it easier to integrate renewable energy sources with variable production rates.

• Minimize environmental impact through the deployment of balanced transmission infrastructure with reduced electromagnetic emissions and environmental footprints.

c) **Call to Action:** We recommend the following measures to be taken in order to make the most of six-phase gearbox technology's advantages and hasten the shift to a more sustainable energy future:

• Encourage investment in research, development, and deployment of six-phase transmission infrastructure, with a focus on addressing technical challenges and optimizing system performance.

• Foster collaboration between industry stakeholders, policymakers, and research institutions to drive innovation, knowledge sharing, and capacity building initiatives.

• Advocate for supportive regulatory frameworks, incentives, and policies that promote the adoption of six-phase transmission for renewable energy integration and grid modernization.

• Prioritize international cooperation and knowledge exchange to harness global expertise and best practices in advancing six-phase transmission technology on a global scale.

We can enhance the efficiency of six-phase gearbox technology and hasten the shift to a sustainable, resilient, and environmentally friendly energy future by being proactive and collaborating across industries.

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