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# 1 Introduction

Nowadays in academic laboratories DSP-based solutions are used for developing control methods. These systems provide very small latencies and excellent performance. The main drawback of such a system is its price. Also there is a software bundle, which has to be bought. The price of the software is very often much higher than the cost of the hardware. For an academic laboratory this is a real barrier and only few laboratory projects can be equipped with such a system. There is also a problem with respect to the limited possibility to expand standard DSP systems. The user has limited number of PWM outputs, A/D converters making these systems less flexible for research. Therefore there is a need to provide a better solution. The idea is to use a PC/104 based system, which can work in real-time environment. The PC/104 is very well known in the industry, so academic projects can be directly implemented in industrial environment. For the real-time environment the cost-free Linux based system with a free RTAI (Real-Time Application Interface, see chapter 4, section 4.3) extension is used. In this work the proposed system is presented. Some application examples are presented as well.



## 2 Control systems

### 2.1 Digital Signal Processor or microcontroller

Very often academic and industrial laboratories are using specialized Digital Signal Processors in their control systems. Digital signal processing is a study of digital signals and their processing. Historically the origins of signal processing are in electrical engineering, and a signal here means an electrical signal carried by a wire or telephone line, or perhaps by a radio wave. More generally, however, a signal is a stream of information representing anything from stock prices to data from a remote-sensing satellite. The processing of a digital signal is done by performing numerical calculations. The introduction of the microprocessor in the late 1970's and early 1980's made it possible for DSP techniques to be used in a much wider range of applications. During the 1980's the increasing importance of DSP led several major electronics manufacturers

- Texas Instruments with C6000 DSP family
- Renesas with SuperH DPS family
- Freescale with SuperCore DSP family

to develop Digital Signal Processor chips - specialized microprocessors with architectures designed specifically for the types of operations required in digital signal processing. These specialized processors are processing data mostly using fixed-point arithmetic, but there are also processors where floating-point arithmetic is implemented. Although some

of the mathematical theory underlying DSP techniques, such as Fourier and Hilbert Transforms, digital filter design and signal compression, can be fairly complex, the numerical operations required actually to implement these techniques are very simple. The architecture of a DSP chip is designed to carry out such operations incredibly fast, processing hundreds of millions of samples every second, to provide real-time performance: that is, the ability to process a signal "live" as it is sampled and then output the processed signal, for example to a loudspeaker or video display. The DSPs are mostly used in such scientific areas as [3]:

- space (space photograph enhancement)
- medical (diagnostic imaging)
- military (radar, sonar)
- commercial (special video effects)
- telecommunication (voice compression)

and many other. For the control of electric drives and inverters the DSPs are more and more used. The reasons for their popularity in this field are:

- very low latencies (the reaction speed of the DSP on a trigger signal is very high)
- very high calculation power
- programming flexibility

Although price of the processors is constantly falling, there are some disadvantages of this solution:

- very high cost of the software used to program the DSPs (important especially for the universities)
- long learning time (very important point for the academic laboratories, where students work in their projects)
- limited expansion possibility

In new projects it is not always known at the beginning how many inputs/outputs are needed. DSPs for have limited number of the PWM outputs, which are necessary for inverter control. Some digital signal processors have on-chip analog to digital converters, there is no possibility to exchange them or to install additional A/D converters if more signals have to be measured. Of course external A/D converters can be used, but this increases cost of the system. Certainly a digital signal processor alone is not enough to build any control system. Additional hardware has to be designed or bought in order to set up a control system.

Digital signal processors are not capable of multitasking. They are able to process one program at a time. Therefore another system is needed if - for example - a Graphical User Interface is used. It is mostly a PC where necessary software is installed. This PC can also be used to program the DSP. So for every laboratory project a PC has to be bought with a license for the DSP software. As written before cost of the DSP software is sometimes much higher than cost of the DSP itself. Naturally one PC with one software license would be sufficient to program many DSPs. But in case there are many students in the laboratory, each of them has his own project and these projects are not connected together. So each student has to write a piece of his code, program the DSP, install the processor in his project and test its functioning. If there are errors, the user has to remove DSP from project's hardware and take it back



to the PC to correct there the wrong code, program the DSP again and again test it in the project. Such a laboratory work cannot be described as optimal.

Consequently although DSPs have many advantages and can be successfully used in many projects, the high cost and low hardware flexibility makes them uninteresting for a research laboratory where many different projects are performed. An example price of an development bundle (DSP equipped evaluation board and software for it) from SpectrumDigital Inc. range from: 775USD for a simple TMS320F2812 DSP to 9995USD for TI processor from C6000 family<sup>1</sup>. These complete bundles need additional hardware if they are used for inverter and drive control. As mentioned above another PC with licensed software is needed for software bundle.

Microcontrollers are processors developed especially for control purposes. Unlike DSPs almost every microcontroller is equipped with on-chip A/D converters and has many other I/O ports. Although their processing power is not as high as of DSPs it is sufficient for standard industry projects. The latency times of microcontrollers are also very short. But the same disadvantages as for the DSP processors exist. Microcontrollers need additional hardware to work. A PC is needed with dedicated software to program the devices. Very often it is necessary to program in assembly language, what makes the microcontroller hard to learn for students. More time is needed to master it. The microcontroller based system cannot be flexibly set up for different projects. The PWM outputs number is also limited by the chip itself.

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<sup>1</sup><http://www.spectrumdigital.com>

## 2.2 Commercially available solution

Among the commercially available solutions one is very often mentioned in publications. It is a product of a dSPACE company. The most popular is a DS1103 card. It is an ISA standard card, which has to be installed into a Personal Computer. The important elements of this card are listed below:

- Motorola PowerPC 604e / 400 MHz Superscalar microprocessor
- 2 general purpose timers
- 2MB program memory and 128MB data memory
- interrupts by host PC, CAN, slave DSP, serial interface, incremental encoders and 4 external inputs, PWM synchronous interrupts
- analog inputs: 16 channels 16-bit, 4 to 1 multiplexed, 4 sample&hold units, 4 ms sampling time; 4 channels 12-bit, sample&hold, 800 ns sampling time;  $\pm 10V$  input voltage range
- analog outputs: 8 channels 14-bit, 5 ms settling time,  $\pm 10 V$  output voltage range
- 4 channels 8-bit digital I/O port individually programmable
- 6 channel incremental encoder input
- serial and CAN interfaces
- Texas Instruments DSP TMS320F240, 20 MHz, designed for motor control

It can be seen from the parameters, that the DS1103 card is a combination of the very powerful RISC processor and the DSP processor from

Texas Instruments. The DS1103 card should be bought with software kit for programming the card. There is also special software to program Graphical User Interface for projects, where DS1103 card is used. It is possible to create a control desktop, where parameters of the running control program can be changed or results of the measurements can be shown. The latencies existing in this system are very low, with respect to the use of the digital signal processor. Even though there are very many advantages of this setup, there is one very important disadvantage. The cost of the special academic license for a kit where DS1103 card with software reaches about 9240EUR<sup>2</sup>. For this reason not every laboratory can allow itself to buy such a system.

As written at the beginning of the chapter, the DS1103 card needs a PC to work. Software for programming the card has to be installed on this PC also. This is another cost for a laboratory. And just like in previous solution one card for a whole laboratory would not be sufficient.

### 2.3 Embedded computers

Embedded systems are combinations of software and hardware designed for one or few dedicated tasks. Any kind of processor can be used in these systems, beginning from simple 8-bit processors and ending with fast DSPs. Due to the fact, that embedded systems are tailored for a special task, they can be optimized in their size. Their cost can be reduced or reliability can be increased. Thus these systems are used in such products like MP3 players from one side and factory controllers from the other side.

Many embedded systems are equipped with peripherals to communicate with other devices, for example:

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<sup>2</sup>from: <http://www.tobl.krakow.pl/>

- Serial Communication Interfaces (SCI): RS-232, RS-422, RS-485
- Synchronous Serial Communication Interface: I2C, JTAG, SPI, SSC and ESSI
- Universal Serial Bus (USB)
- Analog to Digital/Digital to Analog (ADC/DAC)
- General Purpose Input/Output (GPIO)
- PLL(s), Capture/Compare and Time Processing Units
- Ethernet, Controller Area Network

Depending on the processor installed in the embedded system it can work with PC standard operating systems (Microsoft Windows, Linux), real-time operating systems (MaRTE OS, Helium RTOS, Salvo, DrRtos, NuttX RTOS and many more) or systems made specially for embedded computers (DRYOS, FreeDOS, SymbianOS, Windows XP Embedded).

Because embedded systems got very popular, there was a need to propose a standard for connectors and dimensions. One of the accepted standards suggested by PC/104 Consortium is called PC/104. It defines form factor of the system as well as computer bus. Modules in PC/104 standard can be of two bus types: 8-, and 16-bit. There is no backplane in the PC/104 system, all components are stacked together using the bus connectors. Signals of the bus connectors are compatible with PC ISA signals<sup>3</sup>:

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<sup>3</sup>from *ISA and EISA Theory and Operation* by Edward Solari

| Signal name | Signal description  |
|-------------|---|
| BALE        | Bus Address Latch Enable line is driven by the platform CPU to indicate when SA<19:0>, LA<23:17>, AENx, and SBHE# are valid. It is also driven to a logical one when an ISA add-on card or DMA controller owns the bus. |
| SA<19:0>    | Address lines are driven by the ISA bus master to define the lower 20 address signal lines needed for the lower 1 MB of the memory address space.   |
| LA<23:17>   | Latched Address lines are driven by the ISA bus master or DMA controller to provide the additional address lines required for the 16 MB memory address space.   |
| SBHE#       | System Byte High Enable line is driven by the ISA bus master to indicate that valid data resides on the SD<15:8> lines.   |

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| AENx     | Address Enable line is driven by the platform circuitry as an indication to ISA resources not to respond to the ADDRESS and I/O COMMAND lines. This line is the method by which I/O resources are informed that a DMA transfer cycle is occurring and that only the I/O resource with an active DACKx# signal line can respond to the I/O signal lines. |
| SD<15:0> | Data lines 0 - 7 or 8 - 15 are driven for an 8 data bit cycle, and 0 - 15 are driven for a 16 data bit cycle.   |
| MEMR#    | Memory Read line is driven by the ISA bus master or DMA controller to request a memory resource to drive data onto the bus during the cycle.  |
| SMEMR#   | System Memory Read line is to request a memory resource to drive data onto the bus during the cycle. This line is active when MEMR# is active and the LA<23:20> signal lines indicate the first 1 MB of address space.  |
| MEMW#    | Memory Write line is to request a memory resource to accept data from the data lines.   |

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| SMEMW#   | System Memory Write line is to request a memory resource to drive data onto the bus during the cycle. This line is active when MEMW# is active and the LA<23:20> signal lines indicate the first 1 MB of address space. |
| IOR#     | I/O Read line is driven by the ISA bus master or DMA controller to request an I/O resource to drive data onto the data bus during the cycle.  |
| IOW#     | I/O Write requests an I/O resource to accept data from the data bus.  |
| MEMCS16# | Memory Chip Select 16 line is driven by the memory resource to indicate that it is an ISA resource that supports a 16 data bit access cycle. It also allows the ISA bus master to execute shorter cycles.               |
| IOCS16#  | I/O Chip Select 16 line is driven by an I/O resource to indicate that it is an ISA resource that supports a 16 data bit access cycle. It also allows the ISA bus master to execute shorter default cycles.              |
| IOCHRDY  | I/O Channel Ready line allows resources to indicate to the ISA bus master that additional cycle time is required.   |

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| SRDY#     | Synchronous Ready (or NOWS#) line is driven active by the accessed resource to indicate that an access cycle shorter than the standard access cycle can be executed.                                     |
| REFRESH#  | Memory Refresh is driven by the refresh controller to indicate a refresh cycle.  |
| MASTER16# | MASTER16# line is only driven active by an ISA add-on bus owner card that has been granted bus ownership by the DMA controller.  |
| IOCHK#    | I/O Channel Check line is driven by any resource. It is active for a general error condition that has no specific interpretation.  |
| RESET     | Reset line is driven active by the platform circuitry. Any bus resource that senses an active RESET signal line must immediately tri-state all output drivers and enter the appropriate reset condition. |
| BCLK      | System Bus Clock line is a clock driven by the platform circuitry. It has a 50% $\pm$ approximately 5% (57 to 69 nanoseconds for 8 MHz) duty cycle, at a frequency of 6 to 8 MHz ( $\pm$ 500 ppm).       |



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| OSC    | Oscillator line is a clock driven by the platform circuitry. It has a 45 - 55% duty cycle, at a frequency of 14.31818 MHz ( $\pm$ 500 ppm). It is not synchronized to any other bus signal line. |
| IRQx   | Interrupt Request lines allow add-on cards to request interrupt service by the platform CPU.   |
| DRQx   | DMA Request lines are driven active by I/O resources to request service by the platform DMA controller.  |
| DACKx# | DMA Acknowledge lines are driven active by the platform DMA controller to select the I/O resource that requested a DMA transfer cycle.   |
| TC     | Terminal Count line is driven by the platform DMA controller to indicate that all the data has been transferred.   |

Table 2.1: PC/104 signals definition

The mechanical dimensions of the PC/104 module are:  
 90x96mm (3.550x3775inch).

Other standards defined by PC/104 Consortium:

| Standard    | Description                                    | Version |
|-------------|--|---------|
| PC/104-Plus | Incorporates both 104-ISA plus 120-pin PCI bus | V2.0    |
| PCI-104     | Includes only 120-pin PCI bus                  | V1.0    |
| EBX         | 5.75x8.00inch single board computer            | V2.0    |
| EPIC        | 4.53x6.50inch single board computer            | V2.0.5  |

Table 2.2: PC/104 Consortium standards

Because of its advantages: small dimensions, compatibility with standard PC if x86 family processor is chosen, ISA bus compatible PC/104 connector and the price the PC/104 embedded computer was chosen to be used as a control unit of the system proposed in this thesis. Differently to the previous solutions no additional PC is necessary, when PC/104 CPU module is used. Using appropriate operating system it is possible to use PC/104 system for real-time application, but also for code generation, debugging, data analysis, simulation and many more tasks connected with control system design.



## 3 Hardware description

As written before (chapter 2, section 2.3) a system based on an embedded computer in the PC/104 standard was chosen. The system built in Electrical Machines and Drives Institute consists of:

- 19inch Rack with power supply
- PC/104 CPU module (Arbor Em104-i613)
- Interface Card
- Bus Board
- PWM Card
- A/D Converter Card
- D/A Converter Card
- HEX Card

This chapter describes components of the proposed system. Cost of one PC/104 control system range from: 1000EUR for a simple system where minimal amount of expansion cards is used to 2000EUR for a system where all slots are equipped cards.

### 3.1 19inch Rack and power supply

To mount electronic modules in a case, in September, 1992 a standard was defined: EIA 310-D, IEC 60297 and DIN 41494 SC48D. First it was

introduced for railroad signalling relays, but nowadays it is commonly used in telecommunication, computing and many other industries. This type of a mounting system was chosen, because of its compatibility with the industry standard. Therefore proposed PC/104 system can be easily used in the industrial applications.

Voltage for the cards mounted in the 19inch Rack is supplied from a switched-mode power supply. It is an electronic power supply unit, where a switching regulator is used. It can be a fast switching transistor generating rectangular voltage waveform with a defined duty cycle. This rectangular waveform is filtered using a low-pass filter giving a constant DC output voltage with the amplitude proportional to the duty cycle of the rectangular voltage. Typical switching-mode power supply schematic is shown in Fig. 3.1.

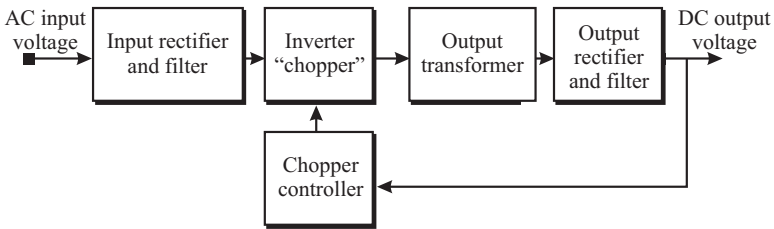


Figure 3.1: Schematic of a typical switching-mode power supply unit

Input AC voltage is first filtered and rectified. Then the resulting DC voltage is "chopped" by a fast switching transistor (for example a MOSFET) with a high frequency (more than 20kHz to make it inaudible for a human) into rectangular waveform. The duty cycle of this waveform is set by a chopper controller. Next the voltage is transformed to needed voltage levels and after filtering it is send to the output. Power supply used in the proposed PC/104 system delivers voltages of: +5V, +15V and -15V.

### 3.2 PC/104 CPU module

A product of Arbor Company was selected as a PC/104 CPU module (Arbor Em104-i613 CPU module). The specifications<sup>1</sup> are as follows

- CPU: Embedded Ultra Low Voltage Mobile Intel Celeron 650MHz CPU
- MEMORY: One 144-pin SODIMM socket, up to 512MB
- 2nd Level Cache: CPU integrated with 256KB
- Chipset: VIA VT8606 with VT82C686B
- Expansion interface: PC/104
- Serial I/O: 1 high speed RS-232C port and 1 high speed RS-232C/422/458 port
- Parallel I/O: SPP, EPP and ECP mode
- IDE: up to two ATAPI devices, Ultra DMA 33MB/s
- Floppy: 1 floppy port for two floppy disk drives

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<sup>1</sup>see Arbor Em104-i613 CPU module data sheet

- IrDA: SIR IrDA 1.1 compliant
- USB: 2 USB v1.1 ports
- KB/Mouse: a port for PS/2 keyboard and mouse
- LAN: Realtek RTL8100BL chipset for 10/100Mbps network
- VIDEO: Chipset VIA8606 with integrated Savage4 2d/3D Video Accelerator, 4x AGP and 128-bit engine, resolution up to 1280 x 1024 @ 32bpp
- Flash: Compact Flash socket Type I/II
- Power requirement: +5V @ 2.09A

The module dimensions are a standard defined by PC/104 Consortium: 90x96mm. This way it fits directly into the 19inch Rack.

There are many other possible modules on the market which could be chosen. This particular model was selected because of its price to calculation power ratio. Much cheaper modules could be selected, but they were mostly equipped with older Intel 386 or 486 processors. These processors wouldn't be able to work under Linux system with RTAI and XWindows (a Graphical User Interface for Linux similar to Microsoft Windows). On the other side, there are much more powerful CPU modules, but their price makes them uninteresting for the academic laboratory.

On the CPU module there is an Intel Celeron processor working with a frequency of 650MHz. It is a processor from an x86 processors family. Due to this fact it was not very hard to find an operating system for the PC/104 system (see chapter 4, section 4.1). 256MB of memory is installed on the PC/104 CPU module. A hard drive with space of 40GB is connected to the IDE channel. There is enough space for an operating system and user's programs. The user can install any software which is

compatible with an operation system of the PC/104 system - for example Matlab/Simulink for data analysis. As it is a standard PC processor all other PC software, for example word processors (like OpenOffice) or graphical applications (like GIMP), can be used. Ethernet connector allows use of Internet or local area network. This way the user can work with the PC/104 system just like with a standard office PC, when the real-time program is not operating.

USB ports allow connecting external devices to the CPU module. The user can save his data to an USB memory stick or save it to an external CD-Drive or hard disk. Therefore it is possible to exchange programs between users, to test programmed code in different hardware set ups. Saved results can further be analyzed on a more powerful machine using specialized software.

### 3.3 Interface card

The interface card connects the PC/104 CPU module with the Bus Board of the PC/104 system. The card is stacked on the PC/104 CPU module. The tasks of the Interface card include:

- provide connection of 16-bit Data Bus of the PC/104 CPU module with Data lines of the Bus Board
- transfer control signals of the PC/104 CPU module to the Bus Board
- transfer interrupt signal from the PWM card to the PC/104 CPU module
- conversion of 16-bit Address Bus of the PC/104 CPU module to the Port Enable signals of the Bus Board



The Data Bus of the PC/104 CPU module is connected to the Data lines of the Bus Board through octal bus transceivers 74245. These are designed for asynchronous two-way communication between data buses. The control function implementation minimizes external timing requirements. These devices allow data transmission from the PC/104 CPU module Bus to the Bus Board or from the Bus Board to the PC/104 CPU module Bus depending on the logic level at the direction control (DIR) input. The enable input (G) can be used to disable the device so that the buses are effectively isolated<sup>2</sup>. On the Interface card the direction pin is connected to the IOR pin of the PC/104 CPU module. In this way data is transferred from Bus Board into the PC/104 CPU module during read operation. During write operation data is transferred in the other direction. Enable input is connected to the Chip Select (CS) pin from the GAL chip. When the CS pin is in active state, data can be transferred. In inactive state buses are isolated.

Control signals, Write, Read and Reset signals, are transferred only in the direction from PC/104 CPU module to the Bus Board. This is done by a 74537 chip. It is an octal latch. There are two pins to control operation of the latch. An Output Enable (OE) pin is usually used to enable its outputs. In the case of PC/104 system this pin is directly connected to GND (ground) setting the latch in an always enabled state. A Control (C) pin is used to latch or put through the data. It is connected to the VCC (supply voltage) so the output pins always follow the input pins transferring the data<sup>3</sup>.

IRQ lines are transferred from the PWM card through a Schmitt-trigger chip (7414) to the PC/104 CPU module. The user has a possibility to choose IRQ line for the PWM card by jumpers. Jumper settings can be taken from table below:

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<sup>2</sup>see Fairchild DM74LS245 data sheet

<sup>3</sup>see Texas Instruments SN74AHC573 data sheet

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| Jumper pins | IRQ number |
|-------------|------------|
| 7 - 8       | 3          |
| 5 - 6       | 5          |
| 3 - 4       | 10         |

Table 3.1: Interface card jumper settings

The last task of the Interface card is to convert the address bus of the PC/104 CPU module into the Port Enable signals for the Bus Board slots. The conversion is done by a 74154 chip and a GAL22V10. 74154 is a 4-Line to 16-Line Decoder. It converts four binary-coded inputs into one of 16 mutually exclusive outputs when its G1 and G2 inputs are in active state. The 74154 generates first 16 Port Enable signals. In order to generate next 8 signals the GAL is used. GAL acronym means a Generic Array Logic and it is an extended version of Programmable Array Logic devices. GALs are electronic devices, which are freely programmable. Unlike PALs GALs can be erased and reprogrammed. Any logic circuitry can be implemented in the GAL device. The GAL22V10 on the Interface card is used to generate control signals for address decoder chip and bus transceivers. Its program source code can be found in appendix B. Table 3.2 shows I/O addresses and corresponding Port Enable pins.

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| Address | Port Enable signal |
|---------|--------------------|
| 0x280   | PE0                |
| 0x282   | PE1                |
| 0x284   | PE2                |
| 0x286   | PE3                |
| 0x288   | PE4                |
| 0x28A   | PE5                |
| 0x28C   | PE6                |
| 0x28E   | PE7                |
| 0x290   | PE8                |
| 0x292   | PE9                |
| 0x294   | PE10               |
| 0x296   | PE11               |
| 0x298   | PE12               |
| 0x29A   | PE13               |
| 0x29C   | PE14               |
| 0x29E   | PE15               |
| 0x2A0   | PE16               |
| 0x2A2   | PE17               |
| 0x2A4   | PE18               |
| 0x2A6   | PE19               |

|       |      |
|-------|------|
| 0x2A8 | PE20 |
| 0x2AA | PE21 |
| 0x2AC | PE22 |
| 0x2AE | PE23 |

Table 3.2: Address decoding

### 3.4 Bus Board

To connect all the elements of the PC/104 system a Bus Board is used. It is a double layered card installed in the 19inch Rack. On the Bus Board there are typically 12 slots for the cards used in the system and one slot for the PC/104 module. To every slot are connected:

- 16 lines of Data Bus of the PC/104 CPU
- 2 Port Enable lines from an Interface Card
- 1 IRQ line (depending on the slot position it can be IRQ 3, 5 or 10)
- Read and Write signals

Figure 3.2 shows pins of the slot for PC/104 module and of one of the slots for expansion cards. In this picture slot number 1 is presented. There are Port Enable signal number 0 (address 0x280) and Port Enable signal 1 (address 0x282) connected. This slot uses IRQ line number 3. This IRQ line is also connected to slots 2 to 10. Slot 11 is connected to IRQ number 5 and slot 12 to IRQ 10.

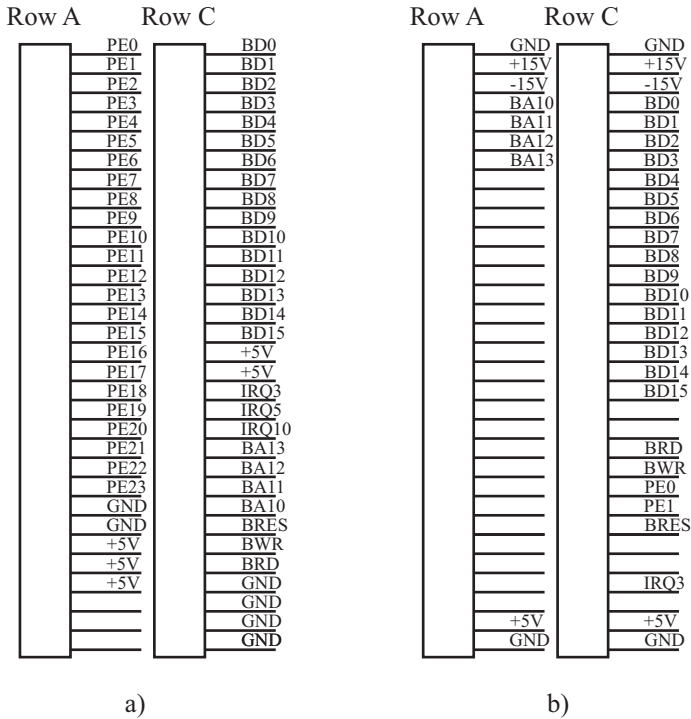


Figure 3.2: Slots of the Bus Board: a) PC/104 module slot, b) expansion card slot

### 3.5 PWM Card

The most important expansion card in the PC/104 system is a PWM Card. The tasks of the PWM card are:

- Pulse Width Modulation signals generation.
- control dead-time of the PWM pulses to protect an inverter

- interrupt generation.

An inverter is an electronic device, which converts a constant DC voltage into an AC voltage. A typical 2-level inverter structure can be seen in Fig. 3.3.

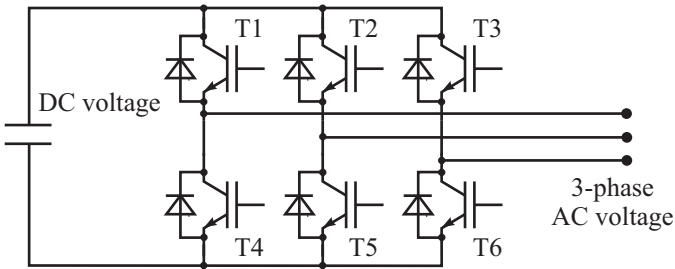


Figure 3.3: Scheme of a 2-level inverter

Switching devices T1 to T6 are turned on and off with a defined frequency to generate width modulated pulses of voltage at the output pins of the inverter. Control signals for the switches are generated by the PWM card.

An Altera Cyclone FPGA EP1C3T100C8 chip is responsible for the PWM calculations. A field-programmable gate array is a semiconductor device containing programmable logic components called "logic blocks", and programmable interconnects. Logic blocks can be programmed to perform the function of basic logic gates such as AND, and XOR, or more complex combinational functions such as decoders or simple mathematical functions. In most FPGAs, the logic blocks also include memory elements, which may be simple flip-flops or more complex blocks of memory. A hierarchy of programmable interconnects allows logic blocks to be interconnected as needed by the system designer, somewhat like

a one-chip programmable breadboard. Logic blocks and interconnects can be programmed by the customer or designer, after the FPGA is manufactured, to implement any logical function - hence the name "field-programmable". The advantages of FPGAs include a shorter time to market, ability to re-program in the field to fix bugs, and lower non-recurring engineering costs. The drawback of an FPGA is that it has to be programmed every time the chip is used. Due to this fact, there is an additional chip on the card - an EEPROM (Electrically Erasable Programmable Read-Only Memory) EPCS16 also from Altera. An EEPROM is a non-volatile storage chip used in computers and other devices to store small amounts of volatile data, e.g. calibration tables or device configuration. EEPROMs are realized as arrays of floating-gate transistors. After programming the EEPROM it keeps its memory until erasing or another programming. The FPGA and EEPROM are connected together with a 4-wire serial interface designed by Altera. After supplying voltage to the PWM card the EEPROM chip will transfer its program to the FPGA. There is no more action from the user necessary. The EEPROM chip can be programmed using the JTAG connector, which can be found on the PWM card. A Personal Computer with Altera Quartus software and Altera Byteblaster cable can be used, or the software can be installed on the hard drive of PC/104 CPU module. The ByteBlaster cable connects the Parallel Port of the PC or the PC/104 with the JTAG interface implemented on the PWM card. The Quartus software is used to write a program, compile it, simulate and then program the device. An example of a program for the FPGA for 2-level inverter can be found in appendix C. The main task of the program is to take values from the PC/104 control program and generate pulses with the width proportional to these values. Figure 3.4 shows schematically the operation of the PWM card.

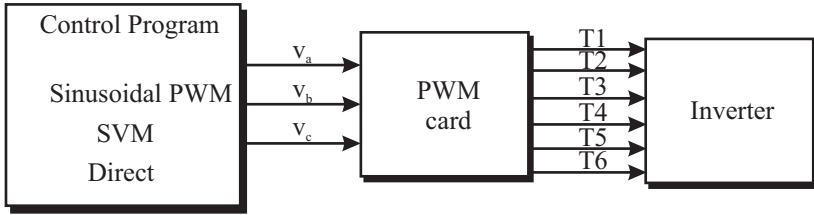


Figure 3.4: Scheme of the operation of the PWM card

In the PC/104 control program three output values are calculated. These values are sent to the PWM card. In the FPGA program values are compared with a down-up-down running counter and on a match point the output phase of the inverter is connected to high level of the DC-link or it is connected to the low level. Because the counter is a 10bit one correct values are from 0 to 1024.

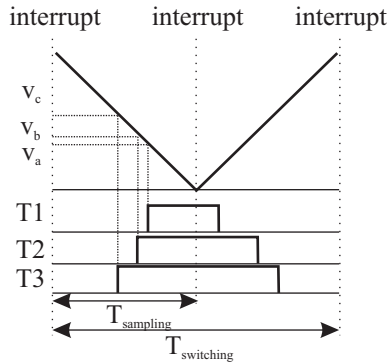


Figure 3.5: Generation of the PWM signals

Signals T2, T4 and T6 are negations of appropriately T1, T3 and T5 signals.



What do the three values represent is dependent on the modulation method chosen by the user. The PC/104 control program calculates three values according to the modulation method chosen. In left block in Fig. 3.4 two typically used modulation methods and a direct method are listed:

- Sinusoidal PWM modulation
- Space Vector Modulation (SVM)
- setting directly the transistor in the on or off state

The first method is one of the simplest PWM signal generation methods. This method is based on comparison between a reference output voltage and a triangle shaped carrier signal.

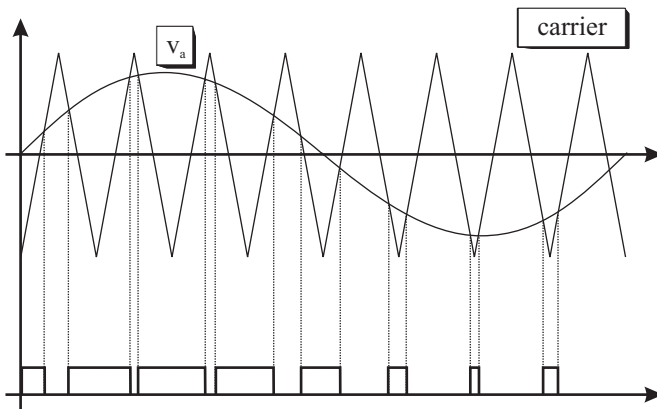


Figure 3.6: Sinusoidal PWM generation

The frequency of the triangle signal (called carrier signal) defines the switching frequency of the inverter transistors. The maximal modulation

index is defined by:

$$m = \frac{u_x}{u_c} \quad (3.1)$$

and reaches 1.0 when the amplitude of the reference phase voltage  $u_x$  is equal to the amplitude of the carrier signal  $u_c$ . In case of this modulation method, the PC/104 control program has to calculate output voltage, which should appear on the inverter output, and PWM card will generate pulses accordingly.

The second method is based on a theory of space vector presented in [7]. The output voltage of an inverter is represented by a rotating voltage vector  $\mathbf{u}$ . This vector can be represented by a combination of 8 vectors in a complex plane (Fig. 3.7).

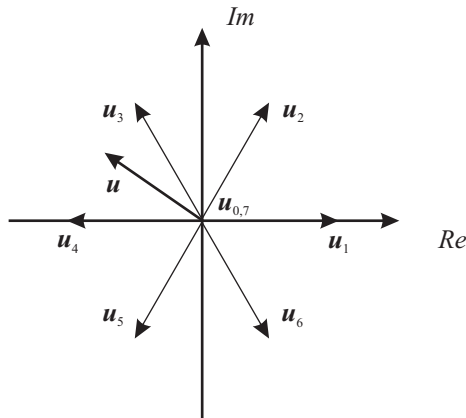


Figure 3.7: Space vectors in a complex plane

Every vector means a defined switching state of the inverter. For example vector  $\mathbf{u}_1$  represents switching state of "100", what means that the transistor T1 is switched on and transistors T2 and T3 are switched

off. Vectors  $\mathbf{u}_0$  and  $\mathbf{u}_7$  (called zero vectors because they don't generate voltage at the output of the inverter) are states of "000" and "111" accordingly. In the complex plane every voltage vector can be achieved by correct switching of two nearest space vectors and zero vectors. For example vector  $\mathbf{u}$  can be obtained combining vectors  $\mathbf{u}_3$  and  $\mathbf{u}_4$  and zero vectors. The length of the vector  $\mathbf{u}$  and its position can be set by changing duration times of the corresponding space vectors:  $t_3, t_4, t_0, t_7$ . These times are calculated by the PC/104 control program, converted to the duration times of pulses for every output phase of the inverter ( $t_a, t_b, t_c$ ) and then are sent to the PWM card.

The third method is the simplest one. It is actually not a modulation method. Here the transistor signals are directly sent to the PWM card. It means, that three PWM card values are simply a "1" or a "0" if the transistor has to be switched on or off.

In order to avoid short circuit of the DC-link of the inverter, a dead-time control has to be implemented. If the switch T1 is switched off, switch T4 should be turned on (because its control signal is a negation of the control signal of T1). In reality switches don't turn off or on immediately. There is always a delay time. Due to this fact, turning the transistor T4 on before transistor T1 has switched off can lead to a short circuit of the DC-link (Fig. 3.8). This would lead to a very high current flowing through the DC-link capacitor and the T1 and T4 switches. This could destroy the inverter.

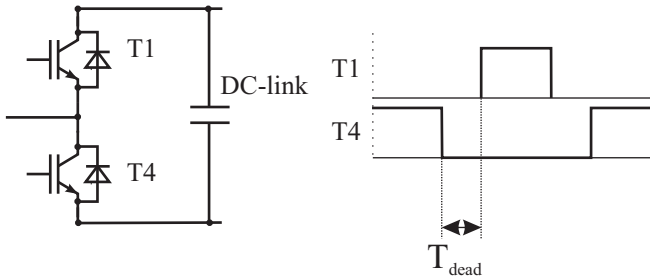


Figure 3.8: Dead-time

Therefore dead-time has to be implemented. The time between switching off T1 and switching on T4 is dependent on the parameters of the transistors. To set the dead-time an 8 position switch is placed on the PWM card.

| 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | Dead-time    |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|--------------|
| - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 5,12 $\mu$ s |
| x | - | - | - | - | - | - | 5,08 $\mu$ s |
| - | x | - | - | - | - | - | 5,04 $\mu$ s |
| - | - | x | - | - | - | - | 4,98 $\mu$ s |
| - | - | - | x | - | - | - | 4,80 $\mu$ s |
| - | - | - | - | x | - | - | 4,48 $\mu$ s |
| - | - | - | - | - | x | - | 3,84 $\mu$ s |
| - | - | - | - | - | - | x | 2,56 $\mu$ s |

Table 3.3: Setting the dead-time

Of course combinations of switch positions are also allowed.

The third task of the PWM card is an interrupt generation. As written in chapter 4, section 4.5 every PC/104 control program works with the interrupt generated by the PWM card. Figure 3.5 shows that interrupt is generated every time the counter of the FPGA reaches maximal or minimal value. The frequency of the interrupt is set in the PC/104 control program using command:

```
outw(Fschalt,PWMK);
```

where Fschalt is a variable, which can have values of: 1 to 15. PWMK is the address of the slot, where PWM card is placed. The interrupt frequency can be calculated using:

$$f_{interrupt} = \frac{2 * 24410}{1 + Fschalt} \quad (3.2)$$

Possible frequencies are: 24410Hz to 3051Hz. Figure 3.5 also shows, that the switching frequency of the inverter is equal to a half of the interrupt frequency.

To control PWM card the both addresses of the slot, in which the card is placed, are used. The PWMK address (for example 0x280) is used to set the switching frequency and to send values for PWM pulses. PWMKFr (0x282) is used to enable or disable outputs of the PWM card. If 0x8000 value is sent to the PWMKFr the outputs of the card are enabled. Sending 0x0000 to this address disables the outputs.

#### 3.5.1 Master - Slave operation of the PWM cards

In many control systems only one inverter is used. One inverter can be successfully controlled with one control system. Problem occurs when there are more inverters in a system, for example:

- drive system, where controlled inverter is supplied from a controlled rectifier
- doubly fed machine supplied from two independent inverters
- a 2-axes plotter (2D), where motor for each axis is supplied from its own inverter

In this case standard control solutions lack on independent PWM outputs. For such cases the PC/104 system can be easily prepared. As written before one PWM card generates pulses for one inverter. Because there are 12 slots in the 19inch Rack, another PWM card can be installed in one of them. In this case one of the cards has to be set in a Master mode (standard PWM card program is prepared for this operation). The other card's program has to be changed to a Slave mode operation. The Slave card cannot generate the interrupt signal. The appropriate connection of the cards is shown in Fig. 3.9.

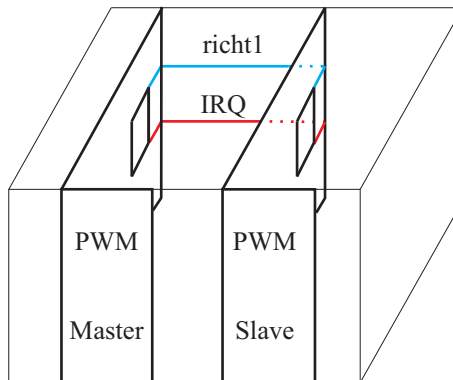


Figure 3.9: Necessary connection of PWM cards for Master-Slave operation

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In this configuration both cards get their three values according to the PC/104 control program. The values for one inverter can be totally independent from the values for the second one. The only restriction of this solution is, that the switching frequency of both inverters has to be the same. As only Master card can control IRQ line, the Slave cards has to use it for its own PWM generation. Typical output pulses of one phase for Master and Slave cards are show in Fig. 3.10. The values for Master and Slave cards are equal in this case.

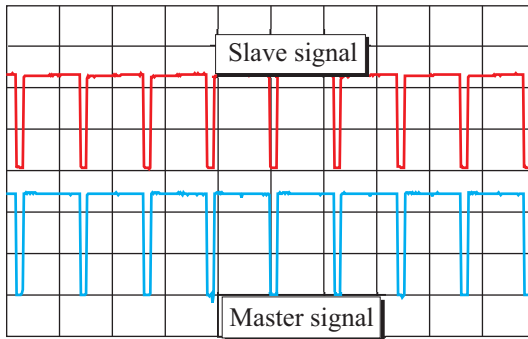


Figure 3.10: Output pulses of one phase of Master and Slave PWM cards

There is a very small time shift of 100ns between the Master and Slave signals, but this will not cause problems in standard setups.

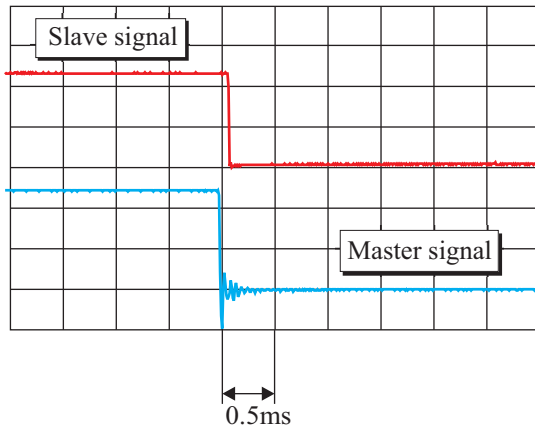


Figure 3.11: Time shift between Master and Slave PWM signals

### 3.5.2 Interrupt latency

As mentioned in chapter 2, section 2.1 the big advantage of Digital Signal Processors is their very short latency time. Latency is defined as a reaction time of a CPU on a trigger signal. In case of PC/104 system it is the interrupt latency. Interrupt signal generated by the PWM card is sent through the Interface card to the PC/104 CPU module. Celeron processor reacts on this signal by starting the PC/104 control program. To measure the reaction time of the CPU, a write operation to one of the I/O ports is started at the beginning of the interrupt routine. This operation generates appropriate Port Enable signal, which is measured using oscilloscope. Figure 3.12 shows the measurement result.



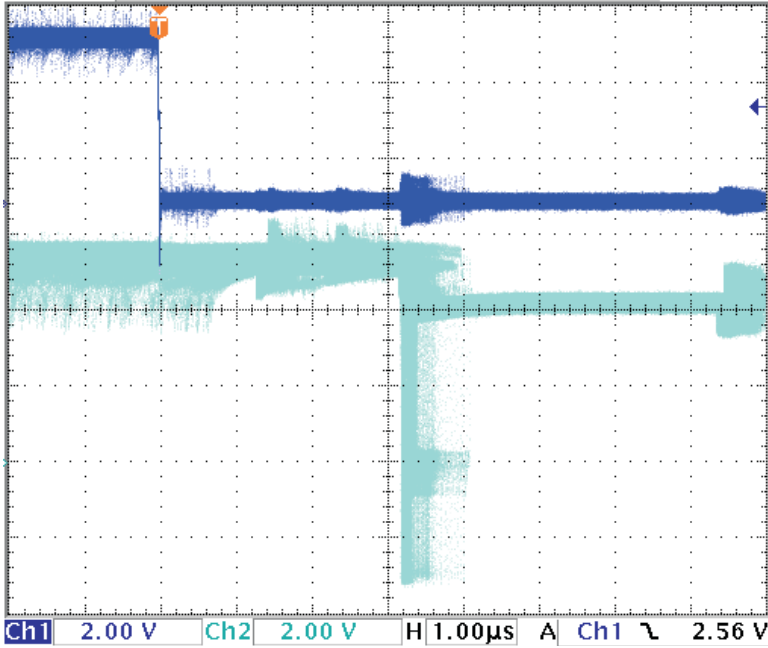


Figure 3.12: Interrupt latency of PC/104 system

Upper signal (number 1) is the IRQ line signal and the lower one (channel 2) is the Port Enable signal. The up-down transition of the IRQ line starts the interrupt routine. It can be seen, that the time from the transition to the first write operation to the I/O port is between:  $3\mu s$  and  $4\mu s$ . This is a good result, but there is a notice to be made. This result is achieved, when there are no other tasks operating in the system. If any program would be running the maximum latency time could increase up to  $12\mu s$ . In case of highest possible interrupt frequency (see equation 3.5) the user has to be careful when writing his control program. Although the Celeron processor is fast and it is equipped with

floating-point arithmetic unit, it can happen, that the real-time deadline will not be kept. It can lead to a crash of the system and damage of the hardware.

### 3.6 A/D and D/A cards

In every control system some analog values have to be measured. For this purpose analog to digital converters are used. An A/D card in the PC/104 system is equipped with two analog to digital converters. Every converter is a one channel, 12bit and with a conversion time of  $1.6\mu s$ . There are two converter chips used: MAX120 and MAX174, but it doesn't have an influence on the usage of the A/D card.



Figure 3.13: Analog to digital converter card

An analog signal (for example a phase current) is sampled with a constant frequency. The resulting 12bit digital value can be directly used in the PC/104 control program. Amplitude of the analog input signal can reach:  $\pm 10V$ . The sampling frequency is in the PC/104 system normally equal to the interrupt frequency. The two A/D converters can be started in two different ways:

- simultaneously using Port Enable signal of one converter
- separately using Port Enable signal of each converter

The choice between these two ways can be done using jumper found on the A/D card.

| Jumper setting | Conversion start                |
|----------------|---------------------------------|
| 1 - 2          | converters start separately     |
| 3 - 4          | converters start simultaneously |

Table 3.4: Starting A/D converters

To start the conversion the user has to issue command:

```
outw(0x0, AAddress);
```

Suppose the A/D card is placed in the first slot. The port addresses connected with this slot are: 0x280 and 0x282. Writing a "0" on the 0x280 starts one converter. If the jumper is in 1 - 2 position, the second converter will be started simultaneously. If the jumper is in 3 - 4 position, the second converter has to be started by writing "0" to the second address 0x282.

To analyze functioning of the PC/104 control program some values can be given out from the PC/104 system to the oscilloscope. For this purpose digital to analog converters are used.

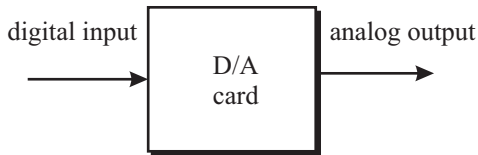


Figure 3.14: Digital to analog converter card

A D/A converter card is equipped with two digital to analog converters. These are one channel, 12bit,  $3\mu s$  settling time AD667 converters. To give out a value on the D/A card output the user has to send a digital value using:

```
outw(va, DAaddress);
```

where *va* is a variable from the PC/104 control program. The output voltage of the D/A card can have amplitude of  $\pm 10V$ .

### 3.7 HEX card

HEX card is equipped with a 16bit hexadecimal display and 16bit hexadecimal switch. It can be used to control flow of the PC/104 program. When a value is written to the HEX card:

```
outw(va, HEXcard);
```

this value will be shown on the display. When there is a read operation from the HEX card:

```
va = inw(HEXcard);
```

value of the switch will be saved as *va* variable. According to the setting of the switch the user can control the function of the program, for example:

```
hex_val = inw(HEXcard);
if (hex_val == 0x0001)
{
    outw(0x8000, PWMKFr); // enable PWM card
}
else outw(0x0, PWMKFr); //disable PWM card
```

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If the value of the HEX card switch is set to 0x0001 the PWM card will be enabled, else PWM card will be disabled.

## 4 Software description

### 4.1 Operating system

For every laboratory project a kind of control software is needed. This software has to be written in some programming language and has to be compiled using some compiler. The compiler has to be run under an operating system. So for the presented PC/104 system a kind of operating system has to be chosen. Due to the fact that PC/104 CPU module uses Intel Celeron processor, it is compatible with the x86 processors family. This means that every operating system which is prepared for the PC standard can also be used with the PC/104 system. Because of that, there exist many possible systems on the market which the user can choose. That is why some requirements have to be set, so the best solution can be found:

- freeware and open source system

This criterion is very important mainly for the academic research. Suppose there are students doing their master or bachelor theses and some PhD students doing their projects. Every user needs one PC/104 system. For everyone's system an operating system license has to be bought. This leads to very high costs. By using freeware systems overcomes this problem. Secondly users can install such a system on their own computers for example to test their code at home.

- real-time capable

It is not easy to find a system which fulfils this point. Many operating systems capable of real-time operation are only commercially available. Many are prepared for other processors than x86 family. There are freeware x86 systems lacking real-time capability - these systems can be upgraded using commercial real-time extensions, but it increases the cost. Luckily there is a free solution for this problem.

- multitasking

Multitasking is a capability of an operating system, where many tasks can share one resource, CPU for example. Because there is normally only one CPU in a system, a task blocks it and gives it free after completing its work. If this happens fast enough, the user sees it as if many processes were running simultaneously in the system. In real-time systems the waiting real-time task takes the control over the CPU every time it needs it. All other tasks have to stop their use of the CPU immediately. The act of reassigning a CPU from one task to another one is called a context switching. Context switching itself takes some time and care should be taken not to switch very often. Due to the fact, that there are many processes running together, the problem of memory protection appeared. One task cannot overwrite memory belonging to another task. If such a write operation occurs it can lead to a crash of the system and in a bad case to a damage of the devices controlled by user's real-time program (for example wrong switching states can appear on the inverter outputs causing short circuit of the DC-link). Today every multitasking system has its own memory protection. Multitasking gives the user a possibility to run his real-time control program and for example a software for controlling the real-time program using Graphical User Interface.

- user friendly

Because the user of the PC/104 can be a PhD student with some experience but also a Master student or even Bachelor student without much knowledge about operating systems and compilers it is required for the system to be user friendly. It means, that the user should be able to fulfil his work without deep knowledge of the operating system itself. It has to be easy to print a piece of code or save it on the USB memory stick or compact disc. Because many students have their own PCs where mostly Microsoft Windows system is installed, the chosen operating system has to be similar to the Microsoft one.

Taking these requirements into account, the suitable operating system can be chosen. A system which fulfils this criteria is Linux. Linux kernel was first presented in 1991 by a Finnish software engineer Linus Benedict Torvalds. The system is similar to the Unix operating system, which was released in 1970. The Unix is one of the first really multitasking systems, it is very stable and secure. Because of these properties Unix is often chosen for the network servers. The disadvantages were that the Unix system was not compiled for the x86 processor family and it was not free. Linux on the contrary was at the beginning prepared only for the Intel processors, what made it possible for every user of home PCs to install and test it. Due to the fact that Linux was a free system with an open source users could make their corrections to the code and share it with others. Nowadays there is a big Linux community, which checks the Linux kernel for errors and writes code to expand Linux to other processors and systems.

Because of the popularity of Linux kernel, many companies prepared their own Linux systems called distributions (distros). These are Linux kernel equipped with additional commercially available software. Some-



times companies slightly modify the original Linux kernel for their distributions. Popular Linux distributions are:

- Slackware - one of the first Linux distributions
- SuSE Linux - it is a German translation of Slackware distribution. SuSE is now owned by Novell, Inc. It is also freely available as OpenSuSE.
- Debian - a freeware distribution
- Ubuntu - a distribution based on Debian
- Red Hat Enterprise Linux - an American company distribution, freely available as Fedora
- CentOS and Mandriva - free distributions based on Red Hat
- Knoppix - a distribution which can be started from Live CD and doesn't need to be installed on a hard drive

For the PC/104 system a SuSE Linux 9.1 version was chosen.

### 4.2 Kernel space and user space

Linux kernel is a monolithic kernel. It means that the entire kernel runs in kernel space in supervisor mode. In the kernel there are functions necessary for the proper operation of the system (process management, memory management, filesystem management etc.) called modules. In the monolithic kernel all modules run in an area called kernel mode. Kernel mode (also called supervisor mode) is a flag, which belongs to a process running in the system. Having this flag the process can execute

machine code operations such as modifying registers or disabling interrupts. Programs running in kernel mode have to be written very carefully, because one error can lead to crash of the entire system. Drivers for hardware components are typical kernel mode programs. Normally monolithic kernel is a kernel mode task and all other applications are user space tasks (these don't have kernel mode flag). The idea of having two different modes comes from the necessity of providing a secure system (kernel) besides less secure applications. An error in an application is not critical to the system.

### 4.3 Real-time operation

Real-time operation means that there is some kind of operational deadliness from event to system response. Real-time constraint is not met, when the real-time computations are not finished before their deadline. A real-time deadline has to be met, regardless of system load. The real-time operation doesn't mean, that the response time of the system is very short. There are two types of real-time operation:

- Hard real-time operation
- Soft real-time operation

In the hard real-time the completion of a task after its deadline is useless, it can lead to the critical crash of the system. In soft real-time a task, which cannot be fulfilled, can be dropped and another task can begin. Hard real-time is often found in embedded systems. It is also necessary in the proposed PC/104 system.

Standard Linux kernel is not capable of real-time operation. All programs written by the user are managed by the kernel as user-space applications. Kernel has highest priority in the system, which automatically makes it impossible for user's program to be run in real-time.

There is a solution proposed by a team from Dipartimento di Ingegneria Aerospaziale from Politecnico di Milano. It is called **RTAI** what stands for Real-Time Application Interface<sup>1</sup>. It is an extension to the Linux kernel, which gives the user a possibility to write programs meeting hard real-time constraints. RTAI is prepared for several architectures:

- x86 (32 bit or 64 bit systems)
- PowerPC (RISC microprocessor architecture created by the Apple-IBM-Motorola alliance)
- ARM (32 bit RISC architecture proposed by ARM Limited)
- MIPS (acronym for Microprocessor without Interlocked Pipeline Stages proposed by MIPS Technologies)

After installing the RTAI Linux kernel is not anymore the highest priority task in the system. The RTAI modules take over control of the system. Kernel modules written by the user get the highest priority. It makes user's program work truly in hard real-time.

### 4.4 RTAI installation

In order to be able to write real-time programs, the RTAI has to be installed. Because it is an extension to the Linux kernel, it has to be included during the compilation of the original kernel.

First the SuSE 9.1 Linux has to be installed. Installation procedure is very easy and there is no need to explain it. The system starts from a bootable CD or DVD and the user is guided through the complete installation. After succesfull installation of the Linux system - RTAI has to be installed. Due to the fact, that the SuSE kernel is a modified

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<sup>1</sup>see <https://www.rtai.org/>

version of the original Linux kernel, one needs to download an original kernel from <http://www.kernel.org>. RTAI can be downloaded from <https://www.rtai.org/RTAI/> (here version 3.1 is used). When the download is completed, the original Linux kernel (here version 2.6.7 is used) has to be extracted:

```
# cd /usr/src
# tar xvjf linux-2.6.7.tar.bz2
# ln -s linux-2.6.7 linux
```

Next unpack the RTAI:

```
# cd /usr/src
# tar rtai-3.1.tar.bz2
# ln -s rtai-3.1 rtai
```

Now the original Linux kernel has to be patched, so the RTAI can take control over the kernel.

```
# cd /usr/src/linux
# patch -p1 < ../rtai/rtai-core/arch/i386/
patches/hal6c1-2.6.7.patch
```

In order to be able to compile the patched kernel, the configuration file from the SuSE Linux installation is needed:

```
# zcat /proc/config.gz > .config
```

Now the new kernel has to be configured:

```
# make menuconfig
```

Some modifications to the original configuration of SuSE have to be made:

- "Adeos" is selected (Adeos Support -> Adeos Support)
- "Loadable module support -> Module versioning support" is disabled
- "Kernel hacking -> Compile the kernel with frame pointers" is disabled
- "Processor type and features -> Use register arguments" is disabled (CONFIG\_REGPARM)

Compile the new kernel:

```
# make
# make modules_install install
```

If there were no errors the new kernel was compiled and installed successfully. Now The RTAI can be configured:

```
# cd /usr/src/rtai
# make menuconfig
# make
# make install
```

If there were no errors, reboot the system. During boot up process choose the new kernel from the GRUB menu. GRUB is one of the possible boot loaders in SuSE Linux. It is installed during installation of the SuSE. After successful booting of the new kernel the RTAI installation can be tested:

```
# cd /usr/realtime/testsuite/kern/latency/
# ./run
```

If this test doesn't start. Press Ctrl+Alt+F10 and check if there is a message like:

```
RTAI[hal]: ERROR, LOCAL APIC CONFIGURED  
BUT NOT AVAILABLE/ENABLED
```

If it is the case, put "lapic" option to the new kernel in /boot/grub/menu.lst file (shown is an example configuration):

```
title          RTAI 3.1 kernel 2.6.7  
root           (hd0,0)  
kernel         /boot/vmlinuz-2.6.7-adeos  
root=/dev/hda1 ro lapic  
savedefault  
boot
```

## 4.5 PC/104 control program

After successful RTAI test a control program for PC/104 can be written (see chapter A). The user has to define what his program does. He is also responsible for a stability of a system after starting his program. As mentioned before in this chapter every PC/104 program has to be written as the kernel module. Typical structure of such module is shown in Fig. 4.1.

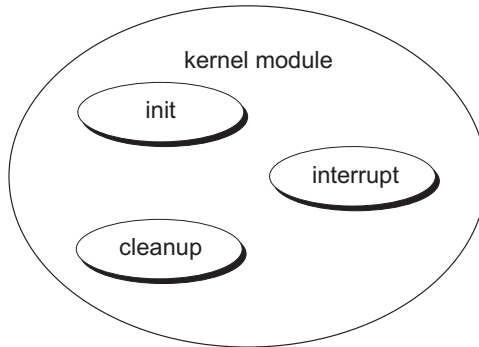


Figure 4.1: Typical structure of a kernel module for PC/104 system

Three main components of the PC/104 program can be seen:

- init function
- cleanup function
- interrupt routine

Init and cleanup functions are necessary parts of the kernel module. In these functions it is defined what the system has to do when starting given module and what at stopping it. Due to the fact that control programs for the PC/104 are driven by an external interrupt generated by the PWM card (see chapter 3, section 3.5), an interrupt routine is also placed in the kernel module. Because this interrupt routine has to have the highest priority in the system, it has to be declared as an RTAI interrupt in the init function. To do that the user has to place two lines in the init function:

```
rt_request_global_irq(nr_irq, (void*)isa_rtiirq);  
rt_enable_irq(nr_irq);
```

where `isa_rtiq` is the name of interrupt function and `nr_irq` is the number of the IRQ line, which the PWM card uses (normally 3). These lines connect the interrupt function with the hardware IRQ line. At the end of the PC/104 process the IRQ line has to be freed, so the Linux kernel can use it for different tasks. This is done in the cleanup function with this piece of code:

```
rt_disable_irq(nr_irq);  
rt_free_global_irq(nr_irq);
```

If the IRQ wouldn't be freed at the end of the task, it could lead to instability or the total crash of the system.

User's control program has to be written in the interrupt routine. Because floating-point operation are often used, care should be taken. It is normally not allowed to make calculation using floating-point variables in the kernel module. Therefore two functions (see A) are prepared, which allow the user the use of CPU's floating-point arithmetic unit. These functions (`isr_start()` and `isr_ende()`) have to be placed at the beginning and at the end of the interrupt routine respectively.





## 5 Sensorless control of active rectifiers

### 5.1 Introduction

In the last years voltage controlled pulsewidth modulation (PWM) rectifiers providing almost unity power factor as well as sinusoidal AC input currents have been widely investigated with respect to harder restrictions in the European market for the harmonic current contents. Therefore pulsewidth modulation converters are applied to applications that require less harmonic currents and/or energy recovery, e.g. in drive applications where the amount of regenerating energy demands to use 4-quadrant-operation. The input line current is controlled by adjusting the AC side voltage of the bridge circuits. Unity power factor can be obtained by aligning the AC-line currents with the AC-supply voltage.

The conventional control technique for PWM converters measures the AC-line supply voltage and generates a rotating  $dq$ -reference frame in which all AC-quantities become DC-values [8],[9] in stationary state. This offers the well-known advantages of field or voltage oriented control for PWM rectifier and the two-phase  $dq$ -theory. The underlying PWM pattern is usually generated by a suboscillation method or space vector PWM method transforming the voltage reference values to pulsewidth modulated signals. Each pulse pattern is necessarily synchronized with control algorithm, the pulses themselves are not. So it is important to realize that there is not always access to each pulse data especially if the PWM unit is outside the controller. Therefore sensorless strategy relying on the exploration of the switching harmonics suffers under the

lack of information about the instantaneous pulses. The aim was to develop an algorithm which gets rid of the pulse pattern information in each control cycle which focused the view to harmonics spectra lower than the switching frequency.

Generally drive converters are equipped with two sensors. The AC-side line currents sensors are needed for control and short circuit protection whereas the DC-link serves for over- and under-voltage protection and output voltage information. There is no direct access to the AC-side line voltage by sensors and therefore no direct voltage orientated control (DVOC) is possible using these converters. An alternative control strategy is the indirect voltage oriented control (IVOC), which is directly related to the indirect field oriented control. In drive applications this control strategy is widely spread and known as a reliable solution. Nevertheless it requires an estimation of the grid voltage – if the norm of the voltage vector is not required, at least the angle of the grid voltage is needed.

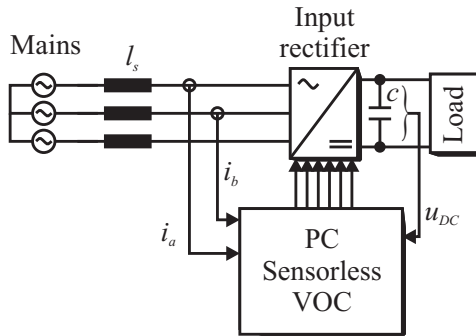


Figure 5.1: 3-phase sensorless PWM input rectifier

This chapter presents a sensorless control strategy for PWM rectifiers and the estimation method of the voltage capable to gain unity power factor and insensitivity against parameter variations like inductance saturation interconnecting the grid voltage and output voltage of the converter. It also shows the behavior of the proposed method, when there are disturbances of the supply voltage. The control method is applicable to PWM drive converters without hardware changes whether they use space vector modulation method or hysteresis based modulations.

## 5.2 Voltage Oriented Control

Space vector notation of PWM rectifier electrical circuit supports a clear understanding of the physical quantities in components and their behavior.

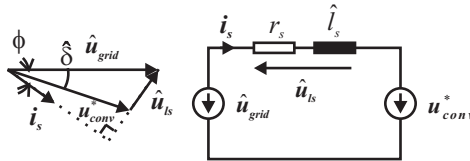


Figure 5.2: Model of the PWM rectifier system

The line current vector  $\mathbf{i}_s$  is controlled by the converter and is directly related to the voltage drop across the inductance  $\hat{l}_s$ . The inductance is necessary to reduce the high harmonic switching content in the current caused by the switching of the rectifier and to decouple the supply voltage from the converter output voltage. The inductance voltage  $\hat{\mathbf{u}}_{l_s}$  is equal to the difference between the grid voltage  $\hat{\mathbf{u}}_{grid}$  and the converter voltage  $\mathbf{u}_{conv}^*$ . All values are vectors in space vector notation [10] (estimated values are marked with a hat  $\hat{\cdot}$ ).

The control scheme is visualized in figure 5.3. Transformation in rotating  $dq$  voltage oriented reference frame is done using an estimated voltage angle. For high frequency analysis the resistive voltage drop can be neglected leading to a simplified model. Only the inductance restricts the high harmonic currents. The later explained sensorless method takes advantage from this fact due to less required calculations.

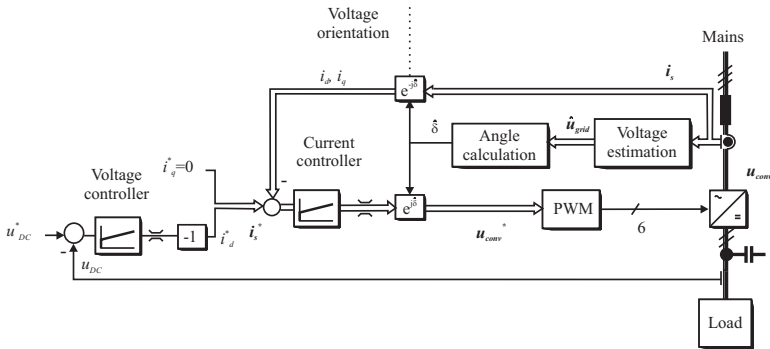


Figure 5.3: Sensorless Voltage Oriented Control

Using conventional voltage oriented control all quantities are referred to a synchronous reference frame aligned with the supply voltage. Therefore the control scheme is based on coordinate transformation between stationary  $\alpha\beta$ - and synchronous  $dq$ -reference system.

In the  $dq$  reference frame, the AC-line current vector is divided into rectangular components. The component  $i_q$  determines the reactive power whereas  $i_d$  determines the active power flow. If  $i_q$  is controlled to zero the minimum current for a given reactive power is ensured and the power factor is one.

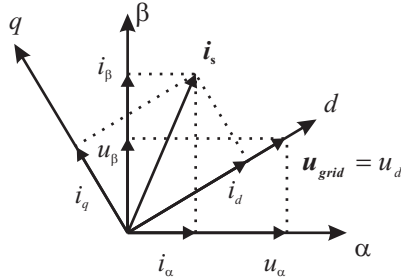


Figure 5.4: Coordinate transformation from fixed  $\alpha\beta$  to rotating  $dq$  reference frame

As in steady state the stator voltage can normally be considered sinusoidal, the voltage and flux orientation becomes equivalent except to  $90^\circ$  phase shift. This encouraged to consider the grid as a machine and apply the well-known principle of field orientation. This leads to the same simple and reliable principle as in revolving field machines. The equations for the PWM rectifier system in the  $dq$  reference frame are:

$$\begin{aligned} u_d &= l_s \frac{di_d}{dt} + u_{d,conv} - \omega_s \cdot l_s \cdot i_q \\ 0 &= l_s \frac{di_q}{dt} + u_{q,conv} + \omega_s \cdot l_s \cdot i_d \end{aligned} \quad (5.1)$$

Usually the line voltages must be measured for calculation of the voltage angle necessary for coordinate transformation. To reduce costs of the system, there is a possibility to estimate the line voltage. The estimated voltage is used to calculate a voltage angle. Coordinate transformation from fixed  $\alpha\beta$  coordinates to rotating  $dq$  reference frame is done using the estimated voltage angle.

### 5.3 Grid Voltage Estimation by Phase Tracking

Based on the PWM rectifier system model, the grid voltage estimation is proposed to be a phase tracking method [14]. The current  $i_s$  passing inductance  $\hat{l}_s$  causing a voltage  $\hat{\mathbf{u}}_{l_s}$ . Neglecting resistive voltage drop the voltage  $\hat{\mathbf{u}}_{l_s}$  can be calculated as:

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{u}_{l_s,\alpha} &= \hat{l} \frac{di_\alpha}{dt} \\ \hat{u}_{l_s,\beta} &= \hat{l} \frac{di_\beta}{dt}\end{aligned}\quad (5.2)$$

while estimated grid voltage  $\hat{\mathbf{u}}_{grid}$  is represented by equations:

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{u}_{grid,\alpha} &= \hat{u}_{l_s,\alpha} + u_{conv,\alpha}^* \\ \hat{u}_{grid,\beta} &= \hat{u}_{l_s,\beta} + u_{conv,\beta}^*\end{aligned}\quad (5.3)$$

If value of the inductance  $\hat{l}_s$  is set correctly, the estimation error will be small during the following sample period (figure 5.5).

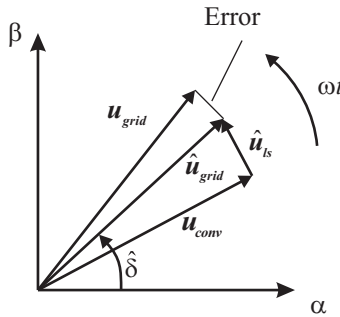


Figure 5.5: Grid voltage estimation through phase tracking

As the currents depend on the voltage difference, any current variation results in voltages over the inductance; this voltage is considered when

calculating the next sample period. This scheme tracks continuously the real voltage vector.

When the inductance value is estimated lower than the real inductance value, the system will still find and detect the voltage vector, but the dynamic response will decrease. This can be explained by the dynamic transfer function of the tracking method.

Equation 5.4 shows, that the dynamic response of the phase tracking estimation method decreases with increasing factor  $k$ , while  $k$  is the relation between the real and estimated inductance  $l_s/\hat{l}_s$ .

$$\hat{\mathbf{u}}_{grid} = \frac{\mathbf{u}_{grid}}{T_s k s + 1} \quad (5.4)$$

For the smallest possible factor  $k = 1$  the fastest step response can be expected. Faster responses ( $k < 1$ ) lead to instability of the estimation scheme.



## 5.4 Experimental results

The system parameters used in the laboratory set-up are:

|                                  |              |
|----------------------------------|--------------|
| Nominal line voltage             | $230V_{rms}$ |
| Nominal line current             | $7A_{rms}$   |
| Grid filter inductance $l_s$     | $3.5mH$      |
| Grid filter resistance $r_s$     | $50m\Omega$  |
| DC-Link capacitor $C$            | $750\mu F$   |
| Nominal DC-Link voltage $U_{DC}$ | $750V$       |
| Switching frequency $f$          | $4kHz$       |

Table 5.1: Laboratory set-up parameters

Figure 5.6 shows the measured  $\delta$  and the estimated  $\hat{\delta}$  voltage angles and an error (in radians) between measured and estimated angle. The shift between the estimation and measurement is caused by the estimated voltage filter and is constant during operation.

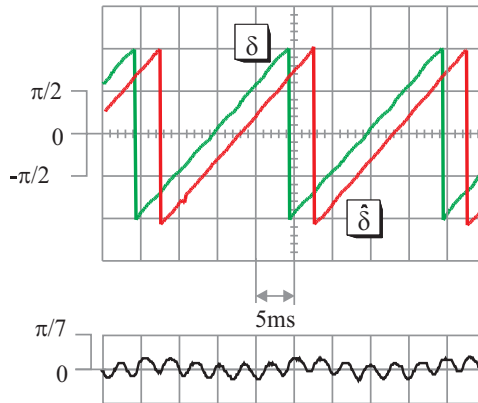
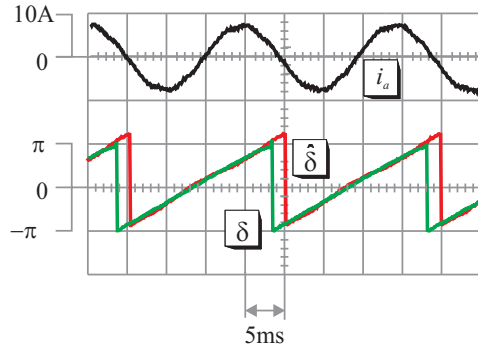


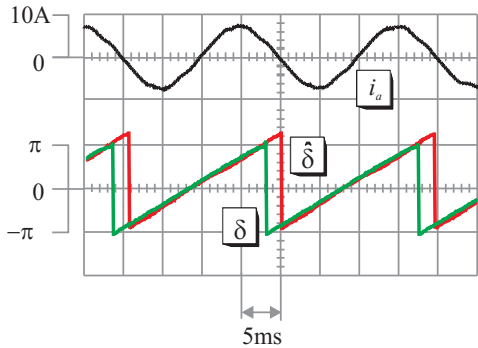
Figure 5.6: Measured  $\delta$  and estimated  $\hat{\delta}$  angle, and error between them

#### 5.4.1 Grid inductance value mismatch

Figure 5.7 shows the results while there is a parameter mismatch in the inductance  $l_s$ . Using greater grid inductance decreases the input current ripple (software parameters are unchanged). The voltage angle is estimated correctly even while there are wrong inductance parameters. As discussed before the estimated inductance only influences the dynamic behavior and not the steady state estimation.



(a)  $l_s = 3.5mH$



(b)  $l_s = 8.5mH$

Figure 5.7: Influence of the grid inductance on the sensorless control system

### 5.4.2 Supply voltage distortions

The next tests show the behavior of the "phase tracking" control scheme when there are disturbances in the grid voltage. The investigations took place concerning the following grid voltage distortions:

1. Unbalanced grid voltage
2. Over-voltage
3. Under-voltage (voltage sags)

### Unbalanced grid voltage

In this test a change in the amplitude of the grid voltage in one of the phases was made. The degree of grid voltage unbalance is defined as:

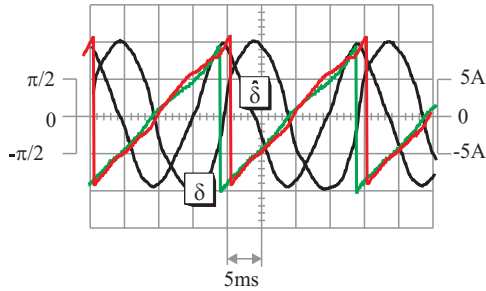
$$u = \frac{e_n}{e_p}, \quad (5.5)$$

where:

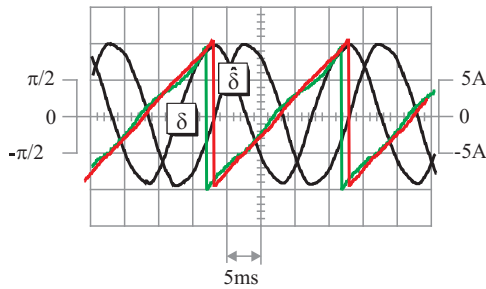
- $e_n$  is the negative sequence grid voltage vector
- $e_p$  is the positive sequence grid voltage vector

Usually in the grid the voltage unbalance should not exceed 3%. The tests presented in this paper were conducted with voltage unbalance of 2% and 6%.

Figure 5.8 shows the line currents [in stationary reference frame  $(\alpha\beta)$ ], estimated  $\hat{\delta}$  and measured  $\delta$  grid voltage angle by the 2% unbalanced grid voltage. There is a low-pass filter of the estimated supply voltage, which leads to the offset between measured and estimated angle, but it is constant during operation.



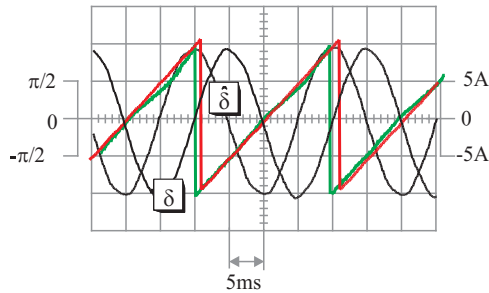
(a) Estimated angle is used



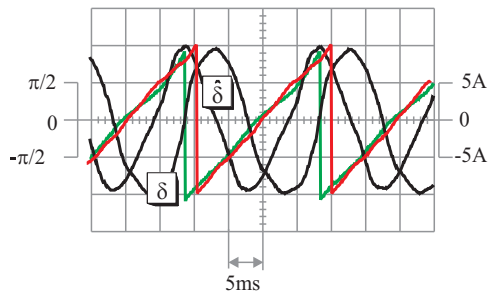
(b) Measured angle is used

Figure 5.8: Line currents ( $\alpha/\beta$ ) and supply voltage vector angle by 2% unbalanced grid voltage

Figure 5.9 shows the same situation, but by 6% unbalanced grid voltage. It is shown, that there are more line currents higher harmonics when the measured grid voltage angle is used. Using the estimated angle lower harmonic content of the line currents can be provided.



(a) Estimated angle is used



(b) Measured angle is used

Figure 5.9: Line currents ( $\alpha\beta$ ) and supply voltage vector angle by 6% unbalanced grid voltage

The grid voltage angle is estimated almost correctly in both cases. The difference between estimated and measured voltage angle is caused by the low-pass filter on the estimated supply voltage. The oscillations of the voltage angle lead to the slightly higher harmonics in the input current, but the operation of "phase tracking" control works fine.

Note: the estimated angle in figure 5.8(b) and 5.9(b) is calculated parallel to the measured angle. The currents in figure 5.8 are sampled,

that is why there is no switching frequency harmonic content seen.

### Over-voltage

In the laboratory the over-voltage was simulated using an auto-transformer. It was possible to achieve about 10% higher supply voltage than nominal value. The tested voltage amplitude value was set to  $250V_{rms}$ . Using equation 5.6 the lowest possible DC-Link voltage can be calculated.

$$U_{DC} \geq \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{m\sqrt{3}} \cdot u_{LL} + u_{l_s} \quad (5.6)$$

$$U_{DC} \geq \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{m\sqrt{3}} \cdot u_{LL} + i_L X_L$$

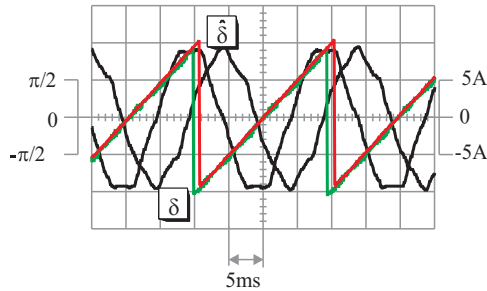
where:

- a)  $U_{LL}$  is the line-line voltage (in the test 432.5V)
- b)  $u_{l_s}$  is the voltage drop on the input filter inductance
- c)  $m$  is the modulation index (1 by sinusoidal PWM, 1.154 by Space Vector Modulation)

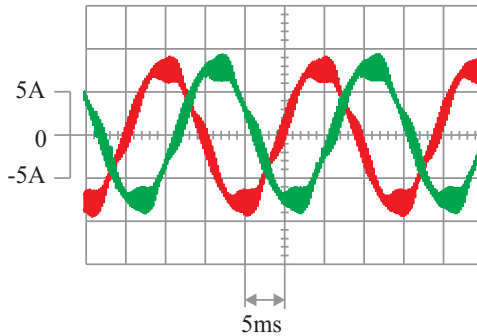
The proposed sensorless control of the PWM rectifier was working correctly and stable under over-voltage condition. Line currents could be controlled to flow in both directions (from the grid into the rectifier and from the rectifier into the grid).

Figure 5.10 presents the line currents and estimated and measured voltage angles. The harmonics content of current is high during the test. Current ripple can be reduced using higher input filter inductance or higher DC-Link voltage. Care must be taken when increasing the filter inductance. Low inductance will lead to high current ripple. High

value will give a low current ripple, but will reduce operation range of the rectifier. To control the input current the voltage drop over this inductance is used. But maximal value is limited by the DC-Link voltage and modulation strategy. Consequently, a high current (high power) through the inductance requires either a high DC-link voltage or a low inductance (low impedance).



(a) Estimated and measured angles, line currents in  $\alpha\beta$



(b)  $i_a$  and  $i_b$  currents

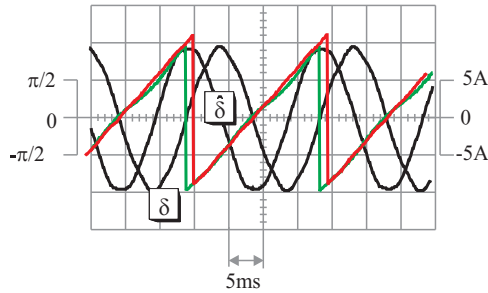
Figure 5.10: Line currents ( $\alpha\beta$ ) and supply voltage vector angle by 10% over-voltage



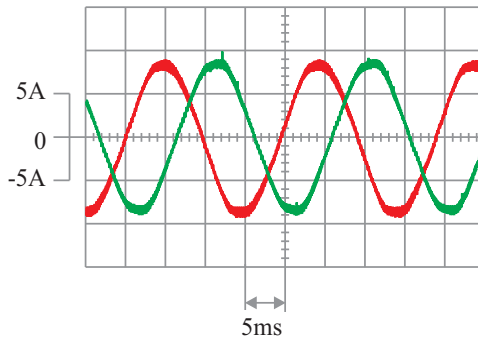
### **Under-voltage (voltage sags)**

Voltage sags are the most common disturbances in real applications. In the laboratory the under-voltage test was performed. The supply voltage was reduced to 65% of nominal voltage. The estimated voltage angle was not distorted by the voltage sag and the system was working stable. It was possible to control the line currents in both directions (from the grid into the rectifier and from the rectifier into the grid). The DC-Link voltage was kept constant equal to the reference value of 750V.

Results presented in figure 5.11 show, that the estimated angle is equal to the measured one. The currents are sinusoidal with low ripple due to the high DC-Link voltage (see section 5.4.2).



(a) Estimated and measured angles, line currents in  $\alpha\beta$



(b)  $i_a$  and  $i_b$  currents

Figure 5.11: Line currents ( $\alpha\beta$ ) and supply voltage vector angle by 65% under-voltage

## 5.5 Phase disconnection problem

For proper operation of the 3-phase PWM rectifier controlled by sensorless Voltage Oriented Control the availability of all the grid phases is essential.

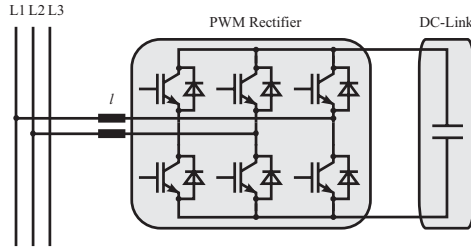


Figure 5.12: Single grid phase ( $L3$ ) disconnection

If there is a phase disconnection (as shown in fig. 5.12) the system cannot work any more due to the lack of the rotating coordinate system [15]. The transformation from stationary  $\alpha\beta$ - to the rotating  $dq$ -coordinate system is not possible any more. The DC-link voltage and the supply current cannot be controlled which may cause a destruction of the rectifier or at least an interruption of the drive system operation. For the conformity with the industry needs, the PWM rectifier should be able to withstand such a disconnection during a time of at least 5 cycles of the grid voltage (100ms for the 50Hz voltage supply system). The DC-link voltage should be kept constant and the supply current should be in phase with the grid voltage and sinusoidal in spite of the phase disruption. In order to achieve this goal the sensorless "phase tracking" control method proposed in [12] has to be modified.

In case of grid phase disconnection the control structure can be explained using fig. 5.13. It looks similar to the structure presented in fig. 5.3. From the superposed control loop, DC-link voltage control, the magnitude of the reference current is achieved. This is then multiplied with the  $\sin(\alpha)$  signal to get the reference current. After comparison with the measured  $i_s$  there is a fast current control loop with PI controller with a voltage reference forwarded to the PWM modulator. As

one grid phase is disconnected the according leg of the PWM rectifier cannot be used. Therefore only 4 PWM signals are sent to the IGBTs.

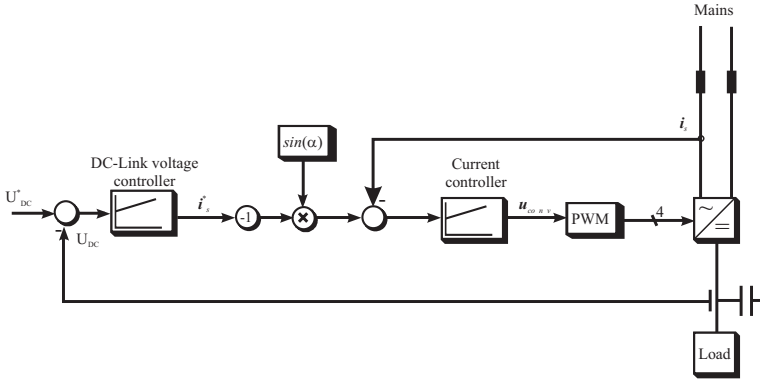
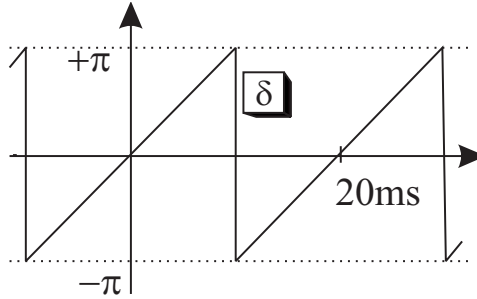


Figure 5.13: Control of the PWM rectifier in case of phase disconnection

The phase shift and frequency of the real current  $i_s$  is controlled with an estimated  $\sin(\alpha)$  signal generated based on the information from the period, before the phase disconnection occurred. From the estimated  $u_{l,\alpha}$  and  $u_{l,\beta}$  voltages the voltage angle  $\delta$  is calculated using the arctan function.

Figure 5.14: Voltage angle  $\delta$ 

During the normal operation (where all three phases are present) the frequency  $f$  of the grid voltage is calculated. The angle  $\delta$  changes from  $+\pi$  to  $-\pi$  every 20ms (in case of 50Hz). It is very easy to detect this step in the angle and to calculate the voltage frequency from it.

$$f = k * f_{sampling} \quad (5.7)$$

where  $k$  is equal to the number of samples taken between the angle steps.

Knowing the frequency it is necessary to find out which phase is disconnected to calculate proper phase shift of the current. Suppose there is no  $L3$  in the system. The only voltage which is left is  $U_{L1-L2}$ . Current  $i_s$  should be now in phase with this voltage.

Knowing that, it is possible to calculate proper phase shift ( $\phi$ ) using the last estimated value of the  $\mathbf{u}_{grid}$ . From the knowledge of the phase shift and the frequency signal  $\sin(\alpha)$  is achieved, where  $\alpha = \omega * t + \phi$  and  $\omega = 2 * \pi * f$ .

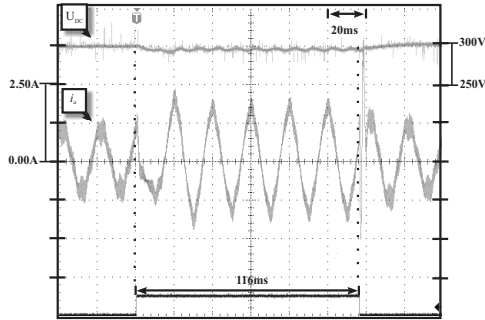


Figure 5.15: Reaction of the system on the L3 phase disconnection

Figure 5.15 shows the operation of the presented control method during disconnection of one of the grid phases. The line current in the operating phase increases to keep the DC-link voltage constant, but it still has sinusoidal shape. The system should withstand break in the phase for 5 periods of the voltage signal (if the break lasts longer, system can be turned off completely). It can be seen, that in the case shown in fig. 5.15 the rectifier operates correctly for 116 ms, after this time the missing phase was connected again. The rectifier reacts properly going into the 3-phase operation mode. It is important to notice, that the current in the disconnected phase, L3, was not measured. Only currents of the phases L1 and L2 are measured and the L3 current is calculated.

Of course the scheme has some disadvantages. First: the amplitude of the grid voltage has to be calculated in order to get  $\sin(\alpha)$  signal. It is also supposed, that it does not change during the voltage disconnection. Second: all three grid voltages ( $U_{L1-L2}$ ,  $U_{L2-L3}$  and  $U_{L3-L1}$ ) have to be estimated during the conventional 3-phase operation of the PWM rectifier.

### 5.6 PC/104 system

This chapter showed the operation of the PWM rectifier controlled by the proposed PC/104 system. Thanks to the use of the PC/104 it was possible to build a hardware necessary to control the active rectifier. The system consisted of one PWM card, three A/D converters cards, two D/A converters cards and one HEX-card. Three A/D cards were necessary on the beginning of the project. First the rectifier was controlled using measured grid voltage, because it was important not to damage the transistors of the rectifier during the test of the voltage oriented control itself. The results could be observed using D/A converters. After confirming, that the VOC is working properly, the grid voltage estimation method was implemented. The multitasking capability of the PC/104 allowed fast changing of the code and testing it. The estimated voltage was compared with the measured one during the operation of the rectifier. During the test it was possible to switch between measured and estimated voltage. The PC/104 system allows to control the flow of the program on-line using the HEX-card. Setting appropriate values on the HEX-card gave the possibility to change from measured voltage to the estimated very fast during control software operation. The control program for phase disconnection problem was also implemented on the same system. At the end both programs, for standard 3-phase operation and for phase disconnection were put together into one piece of code. After confirmation of the proper rectifier operation, the PC/104 could be reduced to only one PWM card and two A/D cards.

## 6 Sensorless Speed / Position Control of Servo Motors

This project was done by Dr.-Ing. Marco Linke and Dr.-Ing. Oscar Cabral Ferreira using PC/104 system<sup>1</sup>.

### 6.1 Introduction

Many new estimation algorithms for speed detection or even position detection of synchronous machines at low and zero speeds have been proposed. High frequency injection methods are gaining more and more attention [17], [18], [19]. Injection methods are normally not applied to Surface Mounted Permanent Magnet Synchronous Machines (SMPMSM), because the magnets are distributed rather homogenously on the surface of the rotor resulting in very small saliencies.

This application refers to a concept published in [16], which takes advantage of a fact, that these machines in spite of their homogenous design provide a small amount of anisotropy produced by saturation of the main flux. The high-frequency test signal is controlled to be in alignment with the saliency induced by saturation. The injection signal can be described as an amplitude modulated space vector. A synchronous tracking scheme evaluates the anisotropy - this concept avoids complex demodulation algorithms which are sensitive to variations of machine parameters and additional saliencies neglected by the model.

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<sup>1</sup>this chapter is a part of a publication [22]



Alternating carrier injection with a displacement of  $\pi/4$  rad with respect to the saliency axis [18], suffers from inverter carrier voltage harmonics generated by the dead time effect. This effect can be explained by analysing the current trajectory transition between two switching sectors (see [16]).

## 6.2 Alternating carrier injection principle

The phase angle of an alternating carrier voltage vector  $\mathbf{u}_c$  is kept in alignment with the estimated  $d$ -axis in the  $dq$ -rotor reference frame (Fig. 6.1). As a consequence, the modulation has almost no effect on the torque producing current component in the  $q$ -axis [20].

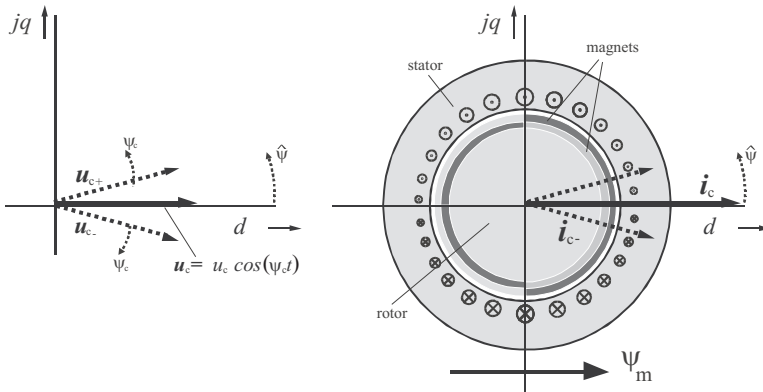


Figure 6.1: Resulting current signal  $i_c$  as a modulated space vector in rotor coordinates

Based on this approach the superimposed carrier signal can be described in stator coordinates as follows

$$\mathbf{u}_c^{(S)} = u_c \cos(\omega_c t) e^{j\hat{\omega} t} \quad (6.1)$$

The carrier frequency  $\omega_c$  is chosen around 2 kHz to obtain a fast response and to avoid interaction with the current control loop. As long as the estimated rotor position coincides with the real rotor position  $\delta$  the test signal is a composition of two high frequency test signals as used in conventional high-frequency injection methods [21] but rotating in directions opposite to each other. As a result only the  $d$ -axis is excited by the carrier (see Fig. 6.1). The resulting high-frequency current  $\mathbf{i}_c$  (response of the electromagnetic circuits to the injection voltage  $\mathbf{u}_c$  is also in alignment with the main flux. Like the voltage the current can be also decomposed to a positive and negative sequence components,  $\mathbf{i}_{c-}$  and  $\mathbf{i}_{c+}$  respectively (Fig. 6.1). The amplitude of  $\mathbf{i}_c$  varies sinusoidally with time. A small misalignment between the real and the estimated rotor position produces an additional high frequency component

$$\mathbf{i}_c^{(\hat{\delta})} = \frac{u_c}{l_d l_q} \sin(\omega_c t) \left[ l_d + (l_q - l_d) e^{-j(\hat{\delta} - \delta)} \right] \quad (6.2)$$

which can be detected to feed a rotor saliency tracking algorithm which is sensitive even to the small anisotropies of SMPMSMs [20]. The current signal (6.2) is not used to estimate the rotor position by calculations. It serves as an error signal that is minimized by the tracking scheme in the next sampling cycle.

### 6.3 Estimation of the anisotropy

The novel method generates a positive as well as a negative current sequence component (see Fig. 6.1), both containing information about the rotor position. The injected carrier voltage

$$\mathbf{u}_c^{(S)} = u_c \cos(\omega_c t) e^{j\hat{\delta}_a} \quad (6.3)$$

is always in alignment with the estimated position of the anisotropy (estimated values are marked with a hat ^):

$$\hat{\delta}_a = \hat{\omega}_a t \quad (6.4)$$

The anisotropy in a SMPMSM is mainly based on the saturation effect of the main flux; it rotates with the same frequency  $\omega$  as the rotor itself. In difference to the field oriented system the subscript  $_a$  generally indicates an anisotropy-aligned coordinate system. Both coincide in the case of surface mounted PMSM.

A transformation of the carrier voltage to field coordinates is done by multiplying equation 6.3 by  $e^{-j\delta}$ . Consequently the differential stator equation can be represented as follows:

$$\mathbf{u}_c^{(F)} = u_c \cos(\omega_c t) e^{j(\hat{\delta} - \delta)} = l_\sigma^{(F)} \frac{d\mathbf{i}_c^{(F)}}{dt} \quad (6.5)$$

Stator resistance, induced voltage and cross coupling of the currents are neglected in the differential stator equation [20]. This is only permitted if the carrier frequency  $\omega_c$  is much higher than the fundamental frequency ( $f_i = 2kHz$ ).

The real field angle  $\delta$  is the unknown variable in this equation. The solution of 6.5 in field coordinates is

$$\mathbf{i}_c^{(F)} = \frac{u_c}{\omega_c} \sin(\omega_c t) \left[ \frac{1}{l_{\sigma d}} \cos(\hat{\delta} - \delta) + j \frac{1}{l_{\sigma q}} \sin(\hat{\delta} - \delta) \right] \quad (6.6)$$

Equation 6.6 can be discussed as follows: the carrier current amplitude  $|\mathbf{i}_c|$  increases proportionally to the carrier voltage  $\mathbf{u}_c$  and decreases with increasing carrier frequency. Moreover, the carrier current component  $i_{cq}$  is directly proportional to the angle error  $\Delta\delta$ .

This offers an effective way to demodulate the rotor position information. For small angles the sin-function from 6.6 behaves proportionally to the angle error  $\Delta\delta$ . Hence, the next processing cycle is used to correct the direction of carrier signal.

## 6.4 Sensorless control approach

### 6.4.1 Demodulation of the carrier current

Using high frequency injection methods for sensorless control, the signal demodulation algorithm requires high performance in signal processing. To reduce the calculation effort, the high-frequency current  $i_c$  6.6 is transferred to a reference frame in a negative direction at approximate carrier frequency. This is done by

$$i_c^{(\omega_c t + \hat{\delta})} = i_c^{(S)} e^{-j(\omega_c t + \hat{\delta})} \quad (6.7)$$

This transformation generates a high frequency current signal that is easy to demodulate without referring to machine parameters. Assuming the remaining negative sequence current components of  $i_c$  are rejected by a low pass filter, transformation 6.7 applied to the current signals 6.6 results in

$$i_p^{(\omega_c t + \hat{\delta})} = u_c \frac{1}{j4\omega_c l_{\sigma d} l_{\sigma q}} \left[ (l_{\sigma d} + l_{\sigma q}) - (l_{\sigma d} - l_{\sigma q}) e^{j(2\delta - 2\hat{\delta})} \right] \quad (6.8)$$

It can easily be separated because it is transformed by 6.7 to about twice the carrier frequency.

Equation 6.8 illustrates the current response containing the useful information about the misalignment of the estimated field angle with reference to the real field angle. It is used as an error estimation angle

$$\Delta\delta = \delta - \hat{\delta} \quad (6.9)$$

The current response is further simplified to reduce processing power necessary for demodulation. In the case of small error estimation angles the current response is:

$$i_p^{(\omega_c t + \hat{\delta})} = u_c \frac{1}{j4\omega_c l_{\sigma d} l_{\sigma q}} [-j(l_{\sigma d} + l_{\sigma q}) - (l_{\sigma d} - l_{\sigma q})2\Delta\delta] \quad (6.10)$$



the estimated field angle. This results in a closed loop structure that corrects the field angle stepwise by each sampling cycle. Hence, a high sampling frequency ensures good and dynamical fast alignment with field axis. The disturbances of the acquired signal are low, thus permitting operation at low carrier amplitudes. The prominent advantage is the tracking observer not depending on any machine parameters.

### 6.4.3 Experimental results

The experimental results of [16] are obtained using a commercial 6-pole SMPMSM servo drive with 1.2 kW rated power.

The estimated position  $\hat{\delta}$  is used as a feedback signal for field oriented control. The central track of the diagram in Fig. 6.3 represents the position error  $\Delta\hat{\delta}$  between the measured position  $\delta$  and the estimated position  $\hat{\delta}$  (increased scale). The switching frequency is 8 kHz, the carrier frequency is 2 kHz with a peak carrier current  $i_{cmax}$  of 200 mA. The current control is processed using the same 12-Bit A/D converter also used for sensing the fundamental currents.

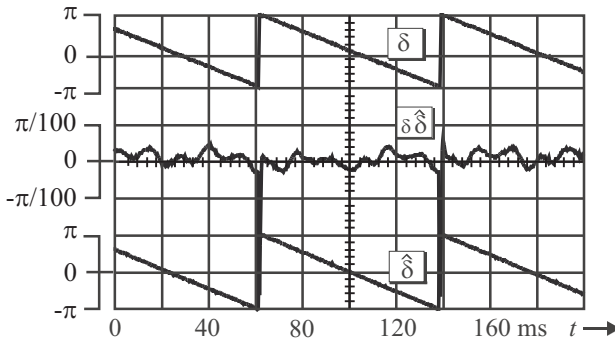


Figure 6.3: Experimental results: rotor position  $\delta$  and corresponding estimated variables  $\hat{\delta}$ ,  $\Delta\hat{\delta}$

### 6.5 PC/104 system

This chapter showed the operation of the PMSM motor controlled without the position encoder using the proposed PC/104 system. The system consisted of one PWM card, one A/D converters card, two D/A converters cards, one HEX-card and one special encoder card. First the motor was controlled using measured rotor position, because it was important no to damage the inverter during the test of the field oriented control. The PI controllers were optimized during this test phase. On-line parameter setting was possible. The results could be observed using D/A converters. After confirming, that the FOC is working properly, the position estimation method was implemented. The multitasking capability of the PC/104 allowed fast changing of the code and testing it. The estimated position signal was compared with the measured one during the operation of the PMSM. As in previous test setup the on-line control of the program flow was possible with help of the HEX-card. By setting appropriate values on the HEX-card it was possible to change from measured position signal to the estimated one during control software operation. After confirmation of the proper motor operation, the PC/104 could be reduced to only one PWM card and one A/D card.

## 7 Model-based predictive control for electrical drives

This project was performed by Dr.-Ing. Arne Linder and MSc. Juan Carlos Ramirez Martinez is continuing this work using PC/104 system. All presented results originate from [24].

### 7.1 Introduction

Variable speed electrical drives are applied for various applications in the industrial environment; its power bandwidth reaches from few watts, for a small servo-motor, up to several hundreds of kilowatt for traction applications. The advances of the semiconductor technology, increased the possibilities to supply AC machines in a superior way to control the speed. Since then, the state-of-the-art in industrial drive applications is the field oriented control for synchronous machines as well as asynchronous machines; where PI controllers are used in cascade structure. Undesirable side effects and nonlinearities of the machine are tackled with precontrols or feed forward compensation techniques in such a way that the quality of the achieved control meets the requirements of the industrial drive applications. Now it rises the question, why new control techniques should be examined if the control techniques available till now are enough for all requirements of the drive control. This can be explained with the help of the classical control structure of an electrical drive. As shown in Fig. 7.1, a position control scheme consists of threefold cascaded control structure: current/torque control, speed



control and position control. The external control loop consists of an integrator which describes the behavior of the inertia of the system or the gear, and commands the inner control loop accordingly. For such a cascaded structure, the inner loop is approximated first and then the controller parameters corresponding to the outer loop are determined with the so-called symmetrical optimum techniques. However, good control properties can be achieved only if the time constants of the inner control loop and the subsequent external control loop differs by a factor of at least 7-10.

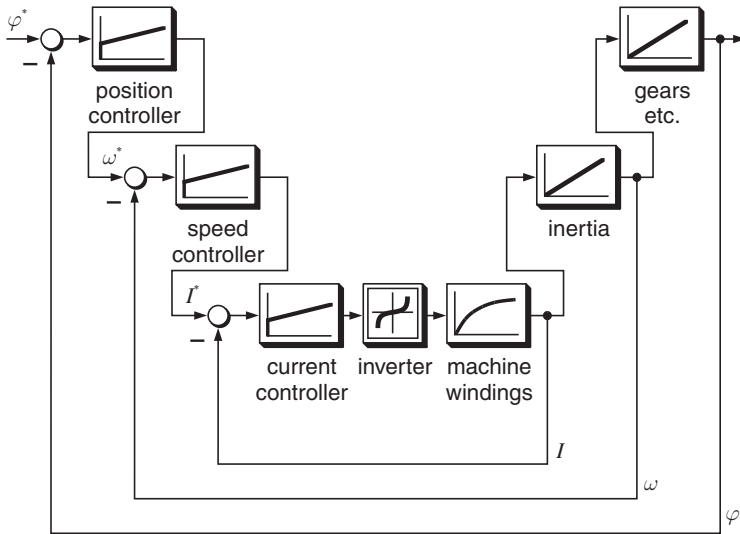


Figure 7.1: Structure of a typical cascaded controller

Consequently, with respect to position control loop, the current controller must be about 50-100 times faster. It is clear that as a relatively fast current controller is not realizable with the help of a cascade struc-

ture, the dynamics achieved is no longer suitable for highly dynamic drive applications. The predictive or precalculating controller which needs no cascade control offers an alternative. Many publications propose controllers, which precalculate the control behavior merely for the next sample step. Correspondingly, the optimization of the controlling variable can also follow only for one sample step. Long Range Predictive Control, however, are known to have a higher prediction horizon than classical control; and as an advanced model is used for the calculation, they are also called Model Predictive Controllers (MPC) or Model-based Predictive Controllers. These strategies are relatively complex in computations in comparison to ordinary linear controllers, because of the longer prediction horizon. That is the reason why their implementation in the drive technology was not possible yet. The PC/104 system's Celeron processor with integrated floating-point unit can be a solution. The schemes and results presented in the following chapters cannot be obtained by any standard drive hardware (analogue or digital). A Rapid Prototyping System is the only possibility to do research like that.

## 7.2 Cascaded Control of Induction Motor with PI Controllers

Conventional PI controllers can always control one quantity with the help of one reference input value. These are called as SISO (Single Input, Single Output) type controllers. In contrast to this, there are controller structures which can control several control parameters at the same time; these are called MIMO (Multiple Input, Multiple Output) controllers or multidimensional controllers. Thus when the current as well as the speed is to be controlled with the help of PI-controllers, which are SISO systems, the control structure must be implemented as

a cascaded control. Figure 7.2 shows the typical structure of a field oriented control by means of cascaded PI controllers. The internal control loop is formed by both current controllers for field producing and torque producing stator current components. Both of the current controllers are shown as a single complex variable controller to improve the clarity of the signal flow graph. Outer loops with respect to the current control loops are speed and flux control loops. The speed and flux controllers can be seen in the outer loop of the signal flow graph.

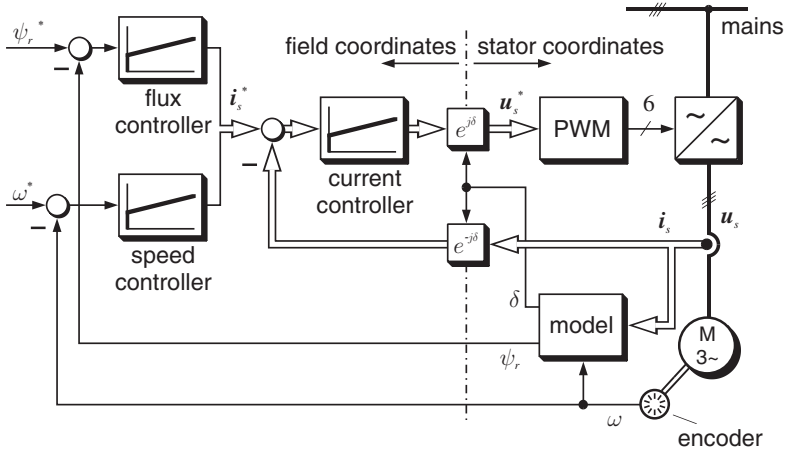


Figure 7.2: Field-oriented drive control with PI controllers

### 7.3 Predictive control

Initially the linear PID controllers, mostly made from analog operational amplifiers, were introduced in the electric drive technology. These linear controllers make use of an error signal from the given set point of the controlled variable to generate an actuating signal. A controller of this

type does not possess the knowledge about the process itself, rather it is required to interpret in terms of the controller parameters. With the large number of inexpensive microcomputers and the introduction of digital control techniques associated with it in the drive technology, the thoughts soon arose to precalculate their behavior with the help of a mathematical model of the process to be regulated and to derive optimum switching state from these precalculated values. The predictive or forward estimation controllers were born.

Figure 7.3 shows the typical structure of a predictive controller for a position control of an electric drive. The measured state variables, namely the machine current  $I$ , the rotating speed  $\omega$  and the mechanical position angle  $\varphi$  are processed simultaneously (at the same time) in a model of the machine and power electronics. With the help of this model, one can obtain the exact information of the actual system state, which is then transferred to the block called "prediction and calculation". This functional block can be regarded as the heart of a predictive controller system. It compares the actual system state with the reference values of the drive position and then it selects the correct switching state of the inverter corresponding to the implemented optimizing criteria. The switching state, for which the estimated system response is in close proximity with the desired one, is selected for control in the next switching interval. The calculation of the optimum state in the block "prediction and calculation" depends upon the desired optimal condition which can be one of the optimal condition such as minimum current error, minimum current distortion or similar. Also the amount of control expenditure for the required reference state can be evaluated.

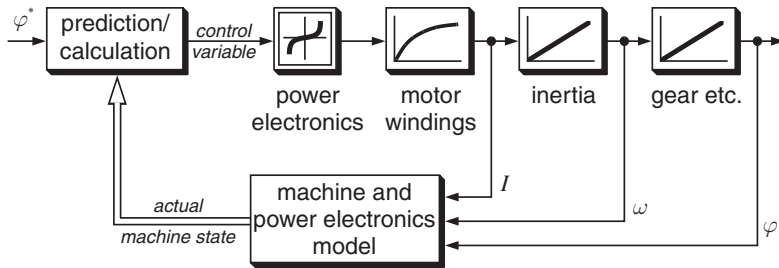


Figure 7.3: Typical structure of a predictive controller

The predictive control algorithms can be categorized in three main groups based on the operating principles of these strategies. These are hysteresis based, trajectory based and model-based strategies. These groups are not separated too much from each other and sometimes the cross relationship is rather clear. Both hysteresis as well as trajectory based predictive controllers use the actual system state to precalculate the value of the controlled variable for the next sampling step. The past history is not explicitly taken into consideration as it is exclusive in the actual system state. There exists one kind of relationship between hysteresis and trajectory based predictive control algorithms in this regard, while the Model Predictive Control (MPC) strategies are based on completely different ideas.

Model-based predictive control takes into consideration the past and optimizes the future switching state not only for the next cycle, but up to a specified future horizon or control horizon. The model-based controllers have a similar structure like conventional controllers, as they also use an explicit and separate - identifiable model of the controlled system for the predetermination of the system response and selection of optimal correcting variables. But on contrary to conventional controllers

used in the drive control applications (which determine the control values only for next switching step), the MPC controllers precalculate the controlling variable values for number of steps ahead in the future [26].

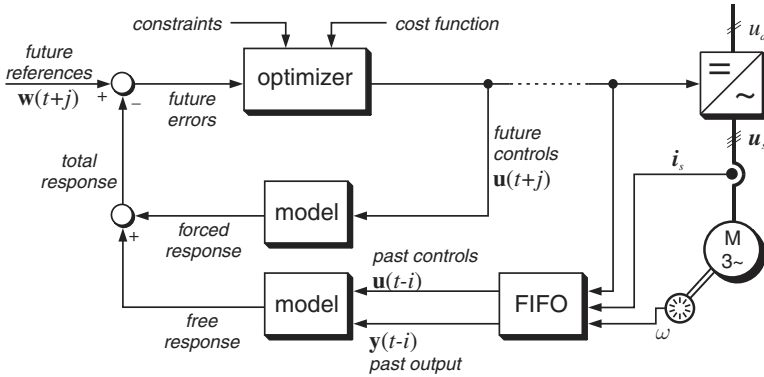


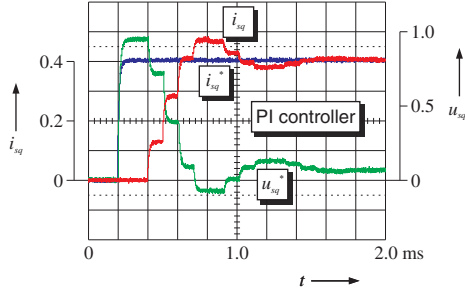
Figure 7.4: Typical structure of a MPC controller

The control strategy Generalized Predictive Control, abbreviated as GPC belongs to the group of model based predictive controllers. It was introduced by Clarke at the University of Oxford in 1987 [27, 28]. In its simplest form, the GPC controller represents a linear SISO controller, i. e. the system, which is to be controlled, has only one input and a one output variable, but it can be easily extended to the multiple input multiple output - MIMO controller.

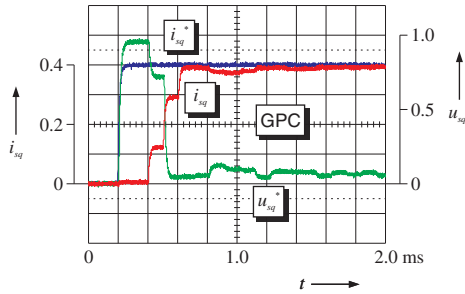
## 7.4 Experimental results

Figure 7.5 shows the large signal response of the closed control loop; wherein figure 7.5(a) shows the behaviour of a PI controller controlled drive, while the results in figure 7.5(b) were obtained with a GPC con-

troller. In both cases, torque producing current component  $i_{sq}$  is given a step change from  $i_{sq}^* = 0$  to is  $i_{sq}^* = 0.4$ .



(a) PI Controller

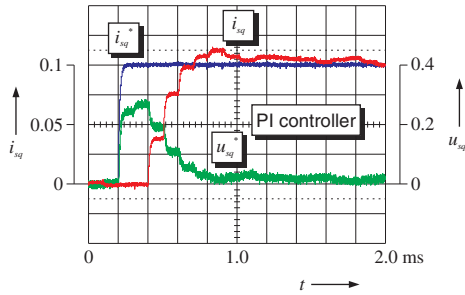


(b) GPC Controller

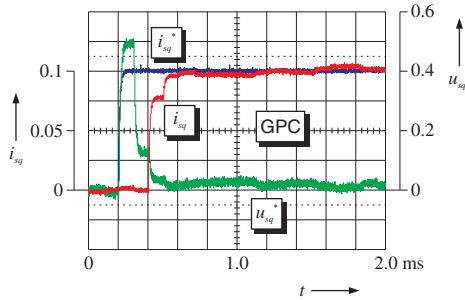
Figure 7.5: Current control: Large signal response

The results show that the GPC controller generates a smaller overshoot than the PI-controller. The rise time is approximately identical in both cases, because it is essentially limited by the available control energy. It appears that no significant advantage is offered in this case by the use of a model-based predictive controller.

The small signal response of both controllers can be seen in Figure 7.6.



(a) PI Controller



(b) GPC Controller

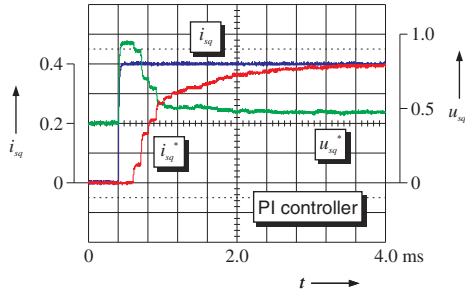
Figure 7.6: Current control: Small signal response

It can be seen from the comparison of the output variable (controlled variable) of the current control loop shown in Figure 7.6(a) obtained with PI controller against the one obtained with GPC controller shown in Figure 7.6(b) that the PI controller does not use available control energy in an optimal way for the small step change of only  $\Delta i_{sq}^* = 0.1$ . While the model based predictive controller uses the maximum available control variable energy in an optimal way. Hence, the GPC controller

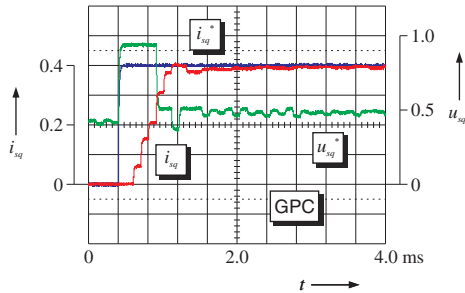


shows up superior performance in the small signal response as compared to the PI controller.

The measurements shown in Figure 7.7 were taken up with a normalised rotating speed of the machine,  $\omega = 0.4$ .



(a) PI Controller



(b) GPC Controller

Figure 7.7: Current control: Large signal response at  $\omega = 0.4$

As shown in Figure 7.7(a), the rise time is enormously extended because of the back EMF generated by the rotation of the machine with a simple PI current controller. However, the GPC controller (Figure 7.7(b)) shows much better response, since the noise influence of the

back EMF from the past is known to the GPC controller. As a machine is rarely operated in the standstill condition, the back EMF always exists. Thus the MPC controller also shows better results than the PI-controller in the large signal response.

## 7.5 PC/104 system

This chapter showed the implementation of the predictive controller for motor control using the proposed PC/104 system. The system consisted of one PWM card, one A/D converters card, two D/A converters cards, one HEX-card and one special encoder card. First the motor was controlled using standard PI controller. The PI controllers were optimized during this test phase, so the best possible results could be achieved. On-line parameter setting was possible. The results could be observed using D/A converters. After confirming, that the PI controllers were working properly, the predictive control method was implemented. The multitasking capability of the PC/104 allowed fast changing of the code and testing it. The predictive control method was compared with the PI control during the operation of the motor. As in previous test setup the on-line control of the program flow was possible with help of the HEX-card. By setting appropriate values on the HEX-card it was possible to change from PI controllers to the predictive controllers during control software operation. This test shows a very important advantage of the PC/104 system. Due to the high memory amount necessary to conduct the prediction of the control values, it is not possible to implement the predictive control on the Digital Signal Processors or on the microcontrollers.



## 8 Conclusions

There are many possible solutions to set up a control system for inverters and drives. All have their advantages and disadvantages. Users have to decide what the priorities in choosing the system are. When the cost of the system is less important than the calculation power and high sampling frequencies, the ready-made solutions are superior. But if the cost plays more important role and the necessary sampling or switching frequencies are in today's typical region (about 12kHz) the use of PC/104 system seems to be optimal.

Another very important advantage of the system described in this thesis, especially for university institutes, is that the PC/104 system can be set up for many different projects with ease. Three example projects (from many running at the Institute for Electrical Machines and Drives today, where the PC/104 system is used) are shortly described and show, that the system can be successfully applied where calculation power is needed. It demonstrates great flexibility of the system.

Another benefit of the PC/104 system is due to the fact that Celeron processor from x86 processor family is used, many software applications can be installed on the hard drive. It brings the user possibility to create a work station where all necessary tasks can be done without changing the place. Linux system with C compiler is used to create control programs. Installing Microsoft Windows system on the same hard drive would bring the user a possibility to program all the chips of expansion cards (FPGA from PWM card, GAL from Interface card) in place using Altera's Quartus software and PALASM software. Simulation programs

and applications for data analyzing can be used. OpenOffice and other Linux applications can be used to do an office work.

Modularity of the PC/104 system is a very important topic. Every part of the system can be easily exchanged. If one of the expansion cards gets damaged it can be exchanged with a new one. There is no need to configure the system again or to rewrite the control program. Damage of the PC/104 CPU module is also not critical, another equal module have to be installed because of the operating system drivers installed on the hard drive. Failure of the hard drive means that operating system and user's programs are damaged and the PC/104 system cannot be used anymore. User's task is it to frequently make a backup of the hard drive. It is easily made using an external DVD-burner or an external hard drive connected through USB ports.

The use of the system is simplified to the minimum. Average student is able to prepare his own system and learn how to program within 2 to 3 weeks (under assumption that C language is already known).

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## A PC/104 control program example

This appendix presents an example of a typical PC/104 control program. There are also files necessary to be able to compile and run this program. All presented files must be placed in the same directory.

- `rtai_isa.c` - main program

```
#include <linux/kernel.h>
#include <linux/module.h>
#include <asm/io.h>
#include <math.h>
#include <asm/system.h>
#include <rtai.h>
#include <rtai_sched.h>
#include <rtai_shm.h>
#include "pc104.h" //for PC/104 - system settings
#include <rtai_fifos.h>

#define cfile "rtai_isa"

static int Fschalt = 5; //switching frequency 4068Hz
int nr_irq=3; //interrupt 3 is used
short int ad_wert;

void mout (float f)
{
```

```
int i1,i2;
i1= (int) f;
i2= (int) (f*1000000) - (i1*1000000);
printk ("%d.%06d\n", i1, i2);
}

int isa_rtirq(void)
{
    static float angle, ualpha_ref, ubeta_ref;
    short int    moda, modb, modc;
    static long  hex_val;

    isr_anfang(); //save the fpu registers

//Here starts user's code

    ad_wert = inw(0x294); //read A/D converter
    outw(0x0, 0x294); //start the A/D converter

    outw(1*DnachA, 0x28A); //set D/A output to 10V
    outw(Fschalt, PWMK); //set the interrupt
        // line in HIGH state

    hex_val = inw(HEX_KARTE); //read Hex card value
    outw(hex_val,HEX_KARTE); //write Hex card value

    if ((hex_val & 0x0001) == 0x0001)
        //if lowest bit is equal to 1
    {
```

---

```

outw(0x8000, PWMKFr); // enable PWM card
if (angle > 6.283)angle=0;
    angle = angle + 0.03926875; //generate 50Hz angle

ualpha_ref = 0.95*sin(angle);
    //generate rotating voltage vector
ubeta_ref  = 0.95*cos(angle);

moda = (int)((ualpha_ref + 1.0) * 512.0);
    //calculate values for the PWM card
modb = (int)((0.5 * 1.732 * ubeta_ref
    - 0.5 * ualpha_ref + 1.0) * 512.0);
modc = (int)((-0.5 * 1.732 * ubeta_ref
    - 0.5 * ualpha_ref + 1.0) * 512.0);

outw( (((moda)&0x3FF)|0x4000), PWMK);
    // send values to the PWM card
outw( (((modb)&0x3FF)|0x8000), PWMK);
outw( (((modc)&0x3FF)|0xC000), PWMK);

outw(ualpha_ref * DnachA, 0x284);
    //show alpha component
outw(ubeta_ref  * DnachA, 0x286);
outw(ad_wert, 0x288);

else // if the lowest bit is not equal to 1
{
    outw(0x0, PWMKFr); //disable PWM card
    outw(0x0, 0x284); //set D/A converter output to 0

```

```
    outw(0x0, 0x286);
    outw(0x0, 0x288);
}

    outw(0*DnachA, 0x28A);
    //set D/A output to 0 at the end of interrupt

//Here ends users code

    isr_ende(); // restore fpu registers

    rt_ack_irq(nr_irq);
    return(IRQ_HANDLED);
}

int init_module (void)
{
    printk("Start %s !\n", cfile);

    outw(Fschalt,PWMK); //set the switching frequency
    outw(0x8000, PWMKFr); //enable PWM card

    rt_request_global_irq(nr_irq, (void*)isa_rtirq);
        //set interrupt routine
        //to be called when irq 3 occurs
    rt_enable_irq(nr_irq); //enable irq 3

    return (0);
}
```

---

```

void cleanup_module (void)
{
    outw(0x0, PWMKFr); //disable PWM card
    outw(0x0, 0x284);
    outw(0x0, 0x286);
    outw(0x0, 0x288);
    outw(0x0, 0x28A);

    rt_disable_irq(nr_irq); //disable irq 3
    rt_free_global_irq(nr_irq);
    //free irq 3 from the interrupt routine
    printk("Stop %s!\n", cfile);
    return;
}
MODULE_LICENSE("GPL");

```

- Makefile - a file needed for compilation

```

obj-m := rtai_isa.o

KDIR := /lib/modules/$(shell uname -r)/build
PWD := $(shell pwd)
EXTRA_CFLAGS := -I/usr/realtime/include
-I/usr/include/ -ffast-math -mhard-float
TARGET := rtai_isa

default:
$(MAKE) -C $(KDIR) SUBDIRS=$(PWD) modules

```

```
clean:
rm ${TARGET}.ko
rm ${TARGET}.o
rm .${TARGET}.*
rm ${TARGET}.mod.c
rm ${TARGET}.mod.o
rm -r .tmp_versions
```

- pc104.h - definitions file

```
#define AnachD 3.0531554e-4
#define DnachA 32767.0

#define PWMK 0x280
#define PWMKFr 0x282
#define HEX_KARTE 0x28C

char isr_first_time=0;
unsigned long cr0;
FPU_ENV linux_fpe __attribute__((__aligned__(16)));
FPU_ENV task_fpe __attribute__((__aligned__(16)));

void isr_anfang(void)
{
    save_cr0_and_clts(cr0);
    // To save Linux cr0 state. Always to be done.
    save_fpenv(linux_fpe);
    // To save Linux FPU environment.
    if ( isr_first_time )
        restore_fpenv(task_fpe);
}
```

---

```

        // To restore your FPU environment.
    else
        isr_first_time = 1;
    }

void isr_ende(void)
{
    save_fpenv(task_fpe);
    // To save your FPU environment.
    restore_fpenv(linux_fpe);
    // To restore the previously
    // saved Linux FPU environment.
    restore_cr0(cr0);
    // To restore Linux cr0. Always to be done.
}

```

- `.runinfo` - a file needed to run the program

```
latency:ksched+fifos:push rtai_isa
```

- `run` - a file, which starts the program

```
${DESTDIR}/usr/realtime/bin/rtai-load
```

- `remove` - a file, which stops the program

```

/sbin/rmmod rtai_isa
/sbin/rmmod rtai_fifos
/sbin/rmmod rtai_up
/sbin/rmmod rtai_hal

```



Suppose all these files are placed in a directory `/home/rtai/pc104/`. To compile the code user needs to write:

```
# make
```

If there were no errors, the executable file is created. This file can be started by writing:

```
# ./run
```

When the program is written correctly, system should be stable and should function normally. The PC/104 program should work instantaneously.

To stop PC/104 program one has to write:

```
# ./remove
```

The PC/104 control program will be removed from the memory and Linux should return to its previous state.

## B Interface card GAL program

On the Interface card described in chapter 3, section 3.3 there is a GAL chip for Port Enable signals generation. This chip is programmed with a code shown in this appendix.

```
;PALASM Design Description
```

```
;----- Declaration Segment -----
```

```
TITLE    Address decoder ISA-Bus,for PC/104 system
```

```
PATTERN
```

```
REVISION
```

```
AUTHOR   Christoph Klarenbach
```

```
COMPANY  EMAD
```

```
DATE     25/07/05
```

```
CHIP    _Decoder  PAL22V10
```

```
;----- PIN Declarations -----
```

```
PIN  11      A1          ; INPUT
```

```
PIN  10      A2          ; INPUT
```

```
PIN  9       A3          ; INPUT
```

```
PIN  8       A4          ; INPUT
```

```
PIN  7       A5          ; INPUT
```

```
PIN  6       A6          ; INPUT
```

```
PIN  5       A97         ; INPUT
```

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---

```
PIN 4      A8      ; INPUT
PIN 3      IOWR    ; INPUT
PIN 2      BALE    ; Adresslatch enable
```

```
PIN 14     CS2     Comb ; Enable 16Bit-Decoder
PIN 15     IOCS16  Combinatorial ; OUTPUT
PIN 16     PE22    Combinatorial ; OUTPUT
PIN 17     PE21    Combinatorial ; OUTPUT
PIN 18     PE20    Combinatorial ; OUTPUT
PIN 19     PE19    Combinatorial ; OUTPUT
PIN 20     PE18    Combinatorial ; OUTPUT
PIN 21     PE17    Combinatorial ; OUTPUT
PIN 22     PE16    Combinatorial ; OUTPUT
PIN 23     CS      Comb ; Enable Bus-Transceiver
```

;----- Boolean Equation Segment -----

EQUATIONS

```
PE16 = /(IOWR*A5*/A4*/A3*/A2*/A1 *
/BALE*/A8* A97*/A6) ; Address 0x2A0h
PE17 = /(IOWR*A5*/A4*/A3*/A2* A1 *
/BALE*/A8* A97*/A6) ; Address 0x2A2h
PE18 = /(IOWR*A5*/A4*/A3* A2*/A1 * /BALE*/A8* A97*/A6)
PE19 = /(IOWR*A5*/A4*/A3* A2* A1 * /BALE*/A8* A97*/A6)
PE20 = /(IOWR*A5*/A4* A3*/A2*/A1 * /BALE*/A8* A97*/A6)
PE21 = /(IOWR*A5*/A4* A3*/A2* A1 * /BALE*/A8* A97*/A6)
PE22 = /(IOWR*A5*/A4* A3* A2*/A1 * /BALE*/A8* A97*/A6)
```

```
IOCS16 = /(BALE*/A8* A97*/A6)
```

```
; 16Bit Bus-Transfer
```

---

```
CS = /(IOWR* /BALE*/A8* A97*/A6) ; Chip Select
CS2 = /(IOWR*/A5* /BALE*/A8* A97*/A6)
; Chip Select Decoder 74154
```

```
;----- Simulation Segment -----
SIMULATION
```

```
trace_on A1 A2 A3 A4 A5 A6 A97 A8 IOWR BALE
setf A5
setf A97
clockf
setf A1
clockf
setf A2
setf /A1
clockf
setf A1
clockf
setf A3
setf /A1
setf /A2
clockf
setf A1
clockf
setf /A1
setf A2
clockf
setf A1
clockf
```

## B Interface card GAL program

---

```
setf A4  
setf /A5  
clockf  
clockf  
clockf  
trace_off  
;-----
```

## C VHDL program for FPGA on the PWM card

Here a program for the FPGA chip found on the PWM card can be seen. This code is prepared to work with a two-level inverter (see chapter 3, section 3.5).

```
-- standard high active Program for Altera Cyclone FPGA,
-- without Dead-time compensation
library ieee;
use ieee.std_logic_1164.all;
use ieee.std_logic_unsigned.all;
use ieee.numeric_std.all;
entity pwmtod is port (
clock0,clock1: in std_logic; -- richt0 = clock1
cnt_ein: in unsigned(6 downto 0);
reset,tastfrei: in std_logic;
PE0,PE1,write,read: in std_logic;
ein:      in unsigned(9 downto 0);
fehler2: in std_logic;
pcfrei: inout std_logic;
richt0:  inout std_logic;
freigabe: in unsigned (1 downto 0);
freigabe1_0: out std_logic;
riegel: inout std_logic;
interrupt: out std_logic;
```

```
a_neg,b_neg,c_neg: inout std_logic;
a_pos,b_pos,c_pos: inout std_logic);

end pwmtod;
architecture archpwmtod of pwmtod is
signal cnt: unsigned(9 downto 0);
signal ein_11,ein_12,ein_13: unsigned(9 downto 0);
signal ein_21,ein_22,ein_23: unsigned(9 downto 0);
--signal cnt_a,cnt_b,cnt_c: unsigned(6 downto 0);
signal cnt_a,cnt_b,cnt_c: unsigned(7 downto 0);
signal vorcnt,freq: unsigned(3 downto 0);
signal sig_a,sig_b,sig_c: std_logic;
signal richt1: std_logic;
signal ueber: std_logic;
signal zaehler: std_logic;
signal a_merk: std_logic;
begin
    freqact: process(clock0,PE0,PE1,write,
        read,freq,reset,cnt,richt1,freigabe,ueber)
    begin
if (clock0'event and clock0 = '1') then
if (freigabe = "00" and PE0 = '0' and write = '0') then
freq(0) <= ein(0);
freq(1) <= ein(1);
freq(2) <= ein(2);
freq(3) <= ein(3);
end if;
if (vorcnt = "0000")then
```

---

```

vorcnt <= freq;
richt0 <= '1';
else
vorcnt <= vorcnt - 1;
richt0 <= '0';
end if;
if (freigabe = "01" and PEO = '0' and write = '0') then
ein_11 <= ein;
elsif (freigabe = "10" and PEO = '0' and write = '0')then
ein_12 <= ein;
elsif (freigabe = "11" and PEO = '0' and write = '0')then
ein_13 <= ein;
end if;
    if (write = '0' and PE1 = '0') then
PCfrei <= freigabe(1);
end if;
        end if;
            if read = '0' and PE1 = '0' then
freigabe1_0 <= richt1;
else
freigabe1_0 <= 'Z';
end if;
if ueber = '1' then interrupt <= '0'; end if;
if PEO = '0' then interrupt <= '1'; end if;
    end process freqact;

    pwmact: process(clock1,richt1)
begin
if (clock1'event and clock1 = '1') then

```



```
if richt1 = '1' then
cnt <= cnt + 1;
elsif richt1 ='0'then
cnt <= cnt - 1;
end if;
if (cnt = "1111111101" and richt1 = '1') then
richt1 <= '0';
ueber <= '1';
elsif (cnt = "0000000010" and richt1 = '0') then
richt1 <= '1';
ueber <= '1';
else
ueber <= '0';
end if;
if ueber = '1' then
ein_21 <= ein_11;
ein_22 <= ein_12;
ein_23 <= ein_13;
end if;
if ein_21 = cnt and richt1 = '1' then
sig_a <= '0';
elsif ein_21 = cnt and richt1 = '0' then
sig_a <= '1';
end if;
if ein_22 = cnt and richt1 = '1' then
sig_b <= '0';
elsif ein_22 = cnt and richt1 = '0' then
sig_b <= '1';
end if;
```

---

```

    if ein_23 = cnt and richt1 = '1' then
    sig_c <= '0';
    elsif ein_23 = cnt and richt1 = '0' then
    sig_c <= '1';
    end if;
end if;
end process pwmact;

acttod: process(clock0,reset,cnt,cnt_a,cnt_b,cnt_c,
    sig_a,sig_b,sig_c,fehler2,PE1,riegel)
begin
if (clock0'event and clock0 = '1') then
if zaehler = '0' then
zaehler <= '1';
else zaehler <= '0';
end if;
if zaehler = '0' then
if cnt_a = "00000001" and sig_a = '1'
and a_neg = '0' and riegel = '0' and reset = '1' then
a_pos <= '1';
end if;
if cnt_a = "00000001" and sig_a = '0'
and a_pos = '0' and riegel = '0' and reset = '1' then
a_neg <= '1';
end if;
if sig_a = '1' then a_neg <= '0'; end if;
if sig_a = '0' then a_pos <= '0'; end if;
if sig_a = '1' and a_neg = '1' then
cnt_a(0) <= '0';

```

```
cnt_a(1) <= cnt_ein(0);
cnt_a(2) <= cnt_ein(1);
cnt_a(3) <= cnt_ein(2);
cnt_a(4) <= cnt_ein(3);
cnt_a(5) <= cnt_ein(4);
cnt_a(6) <= cnt_ein(5);
cnt_a(7) <= cnt_ein(6);
  end if;
if sig_a = '0' and a_pos = '1' then
cnt_a(0) <= '0';
cnt_a(1) <= cnt_ein(0);
cnt_a(2) <= cnt_ein(1);
cnt_a(3) <= cnt_ein(2);
cnt_a(4) <= cnt_ein(3);
cnt_a(5) <= cnt_ein(4);
cnt_a(6) <= cnt_ein(5);
cnt_a(7) <= cnt_ein(6);
end if;
if a_neg = '0' and a_pos = '0'
  then cnt_a <= cnt_a - 1; end if;
-----
if cnt_b = "00000001" and sig_b = '1'
and b_neg = '0' and riegel = '0' and reset = '1' then
b_pos <= '1';
end if;
if cnt_b = "00000001" and sig_b = '0'
and b_pos = '0' and riegel = '0' and reset = '1' then
b_neg <= '1';
end if;
```

---

```
if sig_b = '1' then b_neg <= '0'; end if;
if sig_b = '0' then b_pos <= '0'; end if;
if sig_b = '1' and b_neg = '1' then
cnt_b(0) <= '0';
cnt_b(1) <= cnt_ein(0);
cnt_b(2) <= cnt_ein(1);
cnt_b(3) <= cnt_ein(2);
cnt_b(4) <= cnt_ein(3);
cnt_b(5) <= cnt_ein(4);
cnt_b(6) <= cnt_ein(5);
cnt_b(7) <= cnt_ein(6);
end if;
if sig_b = '0' and b_pos = '1' then
cnt_b(0) <= '0';
cnt_b(1) <= cnt_ein(0);
cnt_b(2) <= cnt_ein(1);
cnt_b(3) <= cnt_ein(2);
cnt_b(4) <= cnt_ein(3);
cnt_b(5) <= cnt_ein(4);
cnt_b(6) <= cnt_ein(5);
cnt_b(7) <= cnt_ein(6);
end if;
if b_neg = '0' and b_pos = '0'
then cnt_b <= cnt_b - 1; end if;
-----
if cnt_c = "00000001" and sig_c = '1'
and c_neg = '0' and riegel = '0' and reset = '1' then
c_pos <= '1';
end if;
```

```
if cnt_c = "00000001" and sig_c = '0'
and c_pos = '0' and riegel = '0' and reset = '1' then
c_neg <= '1';
end if;
if sig_c = '1' then c_neg <= '0'; end if;
if sig_c = '0' then c_pos <= '0'; end if;
if sig_c = '1' and c_neg = '1' then
cnt_c(0) <= '0';
cnt_c(1) <= cnt_ein(0);
cnt_c(2) <= cnt_ein(1);
cnt_c(3) <= cnt_ein(2);
cnt_c(4) <= cnt_ein(3);
cnt_c(5) <= cnt_ein(4);
cnt_c(6) <= cnt_ein(5);
cnt_c(7) <= cnt_ein(6);
end if;
if sig_c = '0' and c_pos = '1' then
cnt_c(0) <= '0';
cnt_c(1) <= cnt_ein(0);
cnt_c(2) <= cnt_ein(1);
cnt_c(3) <= cnt_ein(2);
cnt_c(4) <= cnt_ein(3);
cnt_c(5) <= cnt_ein(4);
cnt_c(6) <= cnt_ein(5);
cnt_c(7) <= cnt_ein(6);
end if;
if c_neg = '0' and c_pos = '0'
then cnt_c <= cnt_c - 1; end if;
```

-----

---

```
end if;
if (reset = '0' or fehler2 = '0' or PCfrei = '0') then
    riegel <= '1';
end if;
if (tastfrei = '1' and reset = '1'
and fehler2 = '1' and PCfrei = '1') then
    riegel <= '0';
end if;
if riegel = '1' or reset = '0' then
a_pos <= '0';
a_neg <= '0';
b_pos <= '0';
b_neg <= '0';
c_pos <= '0';
c_neg <= '0';
cnt_a(0) <= '0';
cnt_a(1) <= cnt_ein(0);
cnt_a(2) <= cnt_ein(1);
cnt_a(3) <= cnt_ein(2);
cnt_a(4) <= cnt_ein(3);
cnt_a(5) <= cnt_ein(4);
cnt_a(6) <= cnt_ein(5);
cnt_a(7) <= cnt_ein(6);
cnt_b(0) <= '0';
cnt_b(1) <= cnt_ein(0);
cnt_b(2) <= cnt_ein(1);
cnt_b(3) <= cnt_ein(2);
cnt_b(4) <= cnt_ein(3);
cnt_b(5) <= cnt_ein(4);
```

```
cnt_b(6) <= cnt_ein(5);
cnt_b(7) <= cnt_ein(6);
cnt_c(0) <= '0';
cnt_c(1) <= cnt_ein(0);
cnt_c(2) <= cnt_ein(1);
cnt_c(3) <= cnt_ein(2);
cnt_c(4) <= cnt_ein(3);
cnt_c(5) <= cnt_ein(4);
cnt_c(6) <= cnt_ein(5);
cnt_c(7) <= cnt_ein(6);
end if;

end if;
    end process acttod;
end archpwmtod;
```