# Study and analysis the effect of variable applied voltage on SCIM performances based on FEA

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# ABSTRACT

Study and analysis the effect of variable applied voltage on SCIM performances based on FEA is presented. Three phase squirrel cage induction motor SCIM has been investigated and numerically simulated using finite element method (FEM) with the aid of ANSYS software (RMxprt and Maxwell 2D/3D). This research presents study and analysis of the effects of the voltage variation on performance and efficiency of the three-phase induction motor of the squirrel cage type. The Finite Elements Analysis Method FEA is used as one of the best methods for analysis and simulation of electrical motors in addition to the possibility of dealing with nonlinear equations, Since the induction motor is a complex electromagnetic reaction, the researchers used the ANSYS program to represent and analyze the performance of the motor under variable supply voltage. The case studied in this research is three phases, 380V, 50Hz, 2.2kW, induction motor that widely use in industrial application. The aim of this research is to study the effect of voltage variation on efficiency, current value, power factor and torque of SCIM. The RMxprt software has been used for modeling and simulating the induction motor and calculating the values of phases currents, input and output power in additional of overall efficiency at steady state condition. The next stage of the research is creating Maxwell 2-D design from the base model of RMxprt software, Maxwell 2-D model has the ability to computing the distribution of magnetic field and explaining the performance under steady-state operation. The obtained results show significant reduction of motor performance due to the effect of variation of apply voltage.

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

Induction motors are spine of industrial, and considers the most widespread and most generally utilized in industrial applications. That is due to its simply design, good efficiency, reliability, low-lying cost and resilience to work in the harsh environment of temperature and stresses. There are two types of three phase induction motor SCIM and slip ring induction motor SRIM, The SCIMs have a widely and increasingly applications in power system field. Due to high power density, efficiency, high power factor and mall size, it becomes a good choice instead of other conventional motors. [1-3]. A study of the basic

guidelines to develop a coupled FEM for the study of electromagnetic phenomena in I.M presented in [4]. A three phase SCIM is modeled using ANSYS Maxwell software.

A 2D finite element method (FEM) is viewed as a vital apparatus to simulate electrical machines. With and process the attractive motion conveyance. Despite the fact that this technique is tedious and required precise geometric information about machines structure, yet it gives an exact data about the activity [5, 6].

Numerical method has been broadly used to comprehend composite domain structure, FEM which is one of these strategies Give an exact calculation for 2D/3D issues of electric machines with complex geometries. This arrangement is utilized to evaluate machine execution a high exactness. Sadly, solving of FEM issues need a total data about the geometry, materials, kind of use to be utilized by electric machine what's more boundary conditions that will be settled. It must be noticed that there are three sorts of FE analysis can be discovered [7, 8]: a) Magneto static analysis. b) Magneto harmonic analysis c) Magneto transient analysis

The steady-state and transient investigation is implemented. The primary sort is known as a magneto static By utilizing the properties of ANSYS Maxwell, RMxprt programming, rated voltage is changed and the performance of the motor are computed. Several factors affect due to voltage variation such as phase current, power factor, output torque and efficiency. In this paper the influence of applied voltage investigated.

## 2. MODELING OF SCIM USING FEM

FEM has been effectively used to get the substantial precise elements and modeling of SCIM and utilized in speed control applications and faults diagnosis systems. This modeling has been vastly used in the domain of electrical machine analysis and design. It has been applied to resolve the Maxwell's equations to search the action of the magnetic field in time and frequency range. In this research, modeling and simulation of SCIM employing FEM coming from through three steps: pre-processing, processing and post-processing [9-11]. Using pre-processing step, the dimension and geometry of the SCIM is realized. The materials feature of stator and rotor cores and shaft are defined. Anyway. Details of the machine dimensions, windings and materials are given in Table1. Finally, in this step the mechanical loads are utilized on the model. A group of Maxwell's equations are resolved in the processing part employing numerical method and after that the magnetic field distribution over the model will be acquired. Stator phase currents and flux density and all other electromagnetic parameters have been acquired and formulated as equilibrium equations. The equations for the entire structure are gained by combining the equilibrium equation of each element such that continuity is ensured at each node [12-14].

The partial differential forms of Maxwell's equations that characterize the quasi stationary fields can be distinct as below [15, 16]:

$\nabla \times H = (Ampere'slaw)$	(1)
$\nabla \times E = -\partial B / \partial t \ (Faraday'slaw)$	(2)
$\nabla B = 0$ (Magnetic flux continuity)	(3)
$J=\sigma E$	(4)
$B=\mu H$	(5)

The effect of voltages on engine capacity and torque can be illustrated by the following equation assuming Z1=0 then

$$Tm = \frac{3}{\omega_1} \cdot \frac{V 1^2 R2e}{(R2e)^2 + (SX2e)^2}$$
(6)

since T1 = T2 = T, then

$$\frac{V_1^2 S_1 R_2 e}{(R_2 e)^2 + (S_1 X_2 e)^2} = \frac{V_2^2 S_2 R_2 e}{(R_2 e)^2 + (S_2 X_2 e)^2}$$
(7)

$$OR \left(\frac{V_1}{V_2}\right)^2 = \frac{S2}{S1} \left(\frac{R2e^2 + (S1 X2e)^2}{R2e^2 + (S2 X2e)^2}\right)$$
(8)

Since slip variation will not affect the value in the rotor coil of machine then.

$$\frac{T_1}{T_2} = \left(\frac{V_1}{V_2}\right)^2 = \frac{S_2}{S_1}$$
Since S1 X2e = S2 X2e
(9)

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As appearance from equations above, the applied voltage has a direct effect on motor performances. By using RMxprt, a 2.2 kW three-phase SCIM is designed. The parameters of the motor are given in Table 1 by inserting the all general information from Table 1 and the type of load applying on the rotor [17- 20].

The B-H curve of laminated steel is defined. The rotor bars are selected as aluminum. The windings are copper. The shaft is assigned as not magnetic steel. The rotor is simulated with all practical dimensions shows in Figure1. The stator and slots information and dimensions that used in simulation are shows in Figure2 including inner and outer diameter in addition of slot dimensional design. [21-23] After interring all information to RMxprt, the user interface of RMxprt is shown in Figure 3.

Table 1. Motor parameters	
Parameter	Unit
Stator Outer Diameter	137.8 mm
Stator Inner Diameter	78mm
Stator - Number of Slots	24
Rotor Outer Diameter	77.4mm
Rotor Inner Diameter	29mm
Rotor Number of Bars	20
Stack length	95
Number of poles	2
Rated Voltage	380
Rated Power	2200W
Frequency	50Hz
Rated Speed	1850 rpm

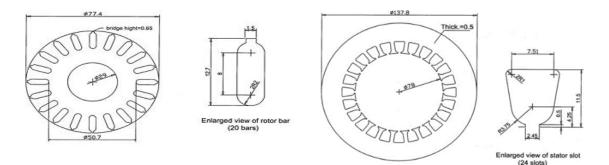




Figure 2. Stator dimensions

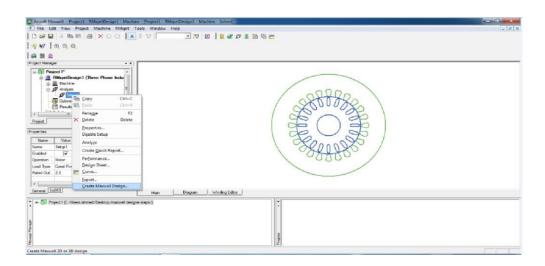


Figure 3. RMxprt user interface

# 3. SIMULATION AND RESULTS

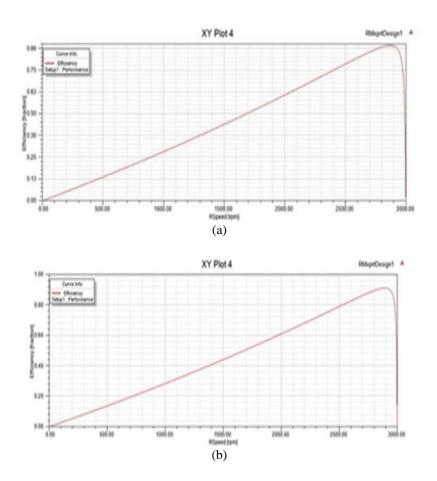
A 3-phase SCIM which has the parameters given in Table 1 has been modeled and simulated using ANSYS (RMxpert and Maxwell 2D) software. This software provides ability to change the value of applied voltage or any other parameters that may gave an effect on the operation of motor [24, 25].

The model of SCIM has been simulated to show the effect of varying the voltage variation in different values. Figure 4 indicate the speed and efficiency with respect to rated voltage of 380V. Figure 5 shows the variation of efficiency for 340, 420, 460, and 500V. respectively.

As figure 5 the efficiency was decreased when voltage variation up or under 10%. The effect of applied voltage at the power factor are explained in Figure 6.



Figure 4. Relationship between Efficiency and Speed at Rated Voltage 380V



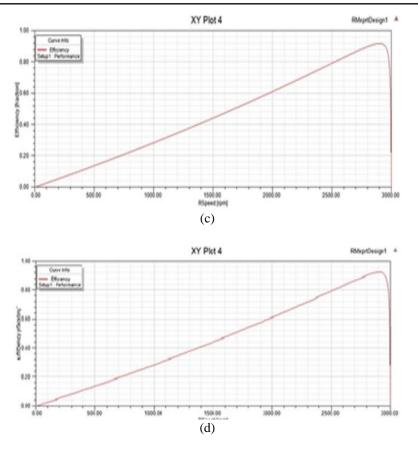
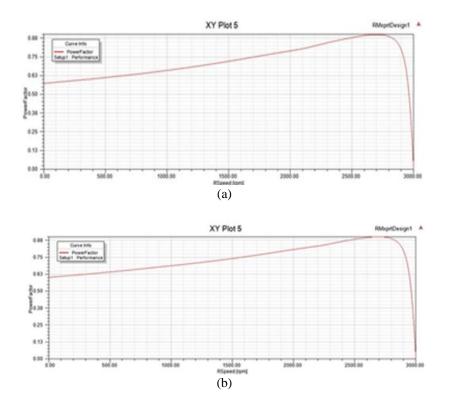


Figure 5. Relation of Efficiency and Apply Voltage. (a) Efficiency at 340V (b) Efficiency at 420V (c) Efficiency at 460V (d) Efficiency at 500V



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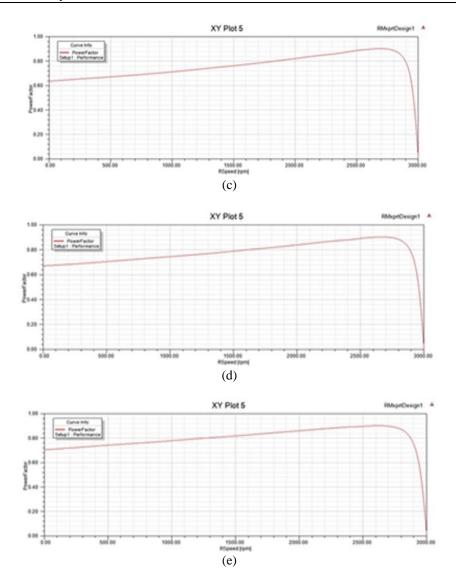
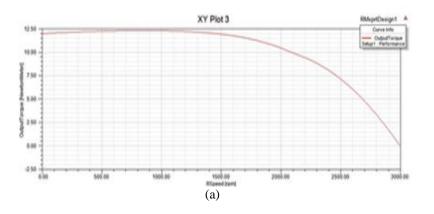


Figure 6. The Effect of Applied Voltage at The Power Factor (a) P.F At 340V (b) P.F At 380V(c) P,F At 420V (d) P.F At 460V (e) P.F At 500V

That clear from Figure 6 the negative effect of applied voltage on motor power factor. The effect of voltage variation at rated torque is shown in Figure 7. Then the five cases studied of deferent values of applied voltage appear that the large variation in voltage is between 340 to 500V and above or over that will be give a distortion in motor performants and large possibility of damage.



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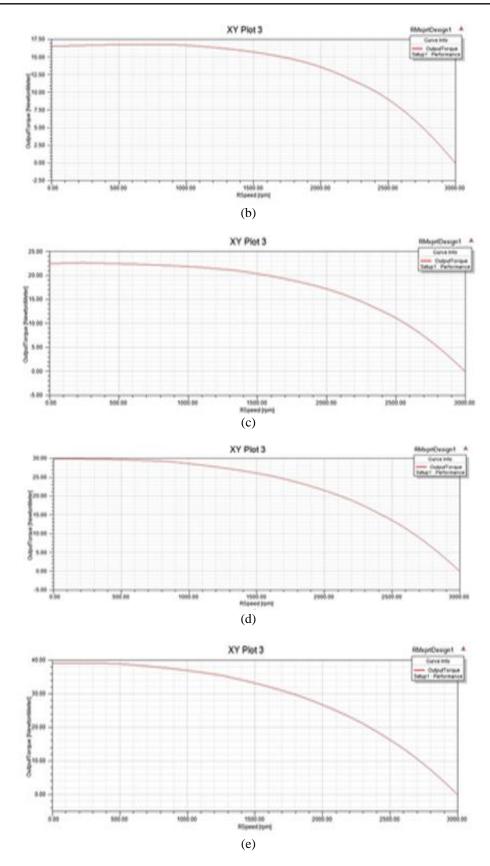


Figure 7. The Effect of Applied Voltage at The Output Torque (a) Torque at 340V (b) Torque at 380V (c) Torque at 420V (d) Torque at 460V (e) Torque at 500V

# 4. SIMULATION RESULTS OF SCIM USING 2-D FINITE ELEMENT MODEL

To investigate the time stepping operation of SCIM, a model has been transposed from RMxprt to Maxwell 2-D. A magnetic flux distribution over the model structure is computed using FEM as shown in figure 8. Then the dynamic performance parameters which include stator currents, back emfs, developed torque, and so on have been accurately. The same design parameters in the suggested three cases that have been analyzed in steady state analysis are used to compute the transient operation of the motor. Figure 8 presents the 2-D modelling of SCIM in FEA and Maxwell2D which solve the Magneto transient analysis of the motor

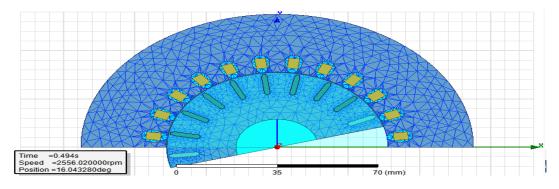


Figure 8. 2-D model of SCIM.

Figures 9, 10 and 11 give the operating torque, stator current and motor total power and show clearly the effect of applied voltages on the motor performances that gives a negative effect when the variation of applied voltages over or under 10%. Figure 9 shows the torque curves for different voltages.

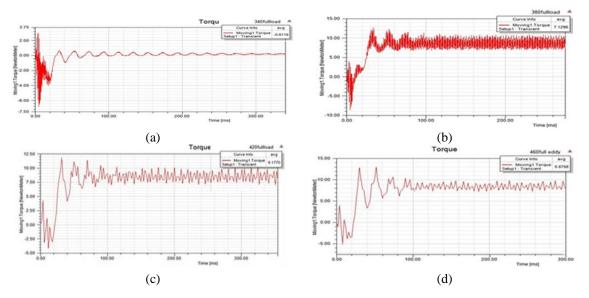


Figure 9. Torque curves (a) Torque at 340, (b) Torque at 380, (c) Torque at 420V, and Torque at 460V

As appear in Figure 9 a, c and d the torque is decrease when applied voltage is increase or decrease, but the figure a and c is acceptable values of torque while figure d is very large deviation in torque.

Figure 10 shows the stator current for different applied voltages and Figure 11 shows the power at different applied voltages.

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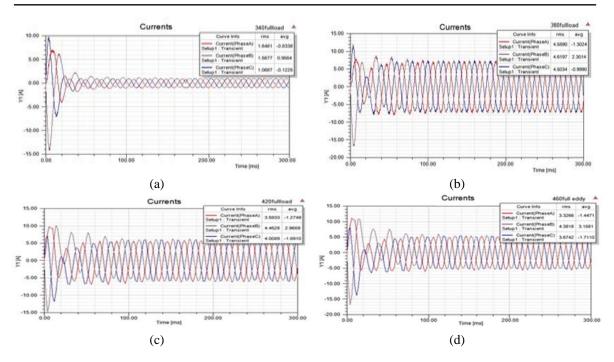


Figure 10. Stator current waveform at different voltage. (a)Stator Current at 340V (b)Stator Current at 380V (c)Stator Current at 420V (d)Stator Current at 460V

From the results shown in Figures 9,10 the applied voltage variation has negative effects on the motor phase currents and torque is appear that the motor torque is decreased when motor supplying from upper or lower voltage and the torque is decreased when the applied voltage be change more than  $\pm 10\%$ . From Figure 11 and the Maxwell 2D analysis the overall efficiency for different values of applied voltage the efficiency was appear as Figure 12.

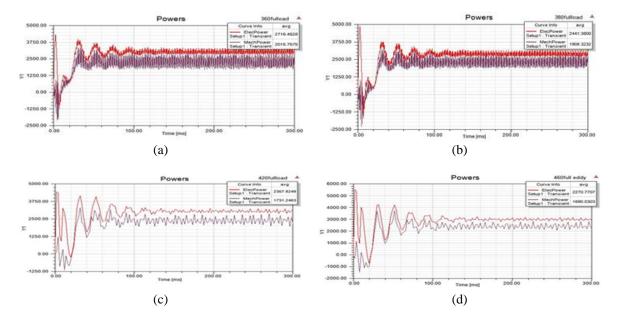


Figure 11. Effect the applied voltage on electrical and mechanical power. (a) Power at 340V (b) Power at 380V (c) Power at 420V (d) Power at 460V

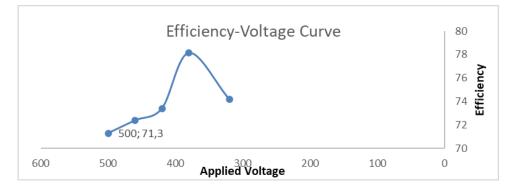


Figure 12. Efficiency voltage curve

Figure 12 clearly explains the effect of changing voltages on the motor efficiency greatly when changing voltages more than 10%.

#### 5. CONCLUSION AND DISCUSSION

Investigation the behavior of squirrel cage induction motor under different voltage operation conditions involves a deep knowledge about voltage variation effects on motor performances. Finite element method is a perfect tool for calculation of magnetic fields density and intensity of the model under design. The aim of this work is to study the squirrel cage induction motor performances. A static and dynamic model for the motor has been modeled and analyzed using 2-D Finite element method. This method provides an accurate representation of the geometry, materials, non-linear behavior of magnetic field distribution and give the ability to clarification the effect of apply voltage on motor current, torque, power and efficiency. The model has been used to simulate the SCIM under variable voltage values using ANSYS Maxwell 2D and Rmxpert programs. A 2-D transient analysis based on FEM is implemented to compute the effect of changing the voltage on the performance of SCIM dynamic model. The results give a real effect of voltages on motor performances and the simulated model gives corresponding with the experimental motor. As is evident from the results the motor efficiency will be decreases in both case increase or decrease the voltage that mean any value of voltage except the rated voltage who designed the efficiency will decrease, Also the motor electrical and mechanical power in addition to torque will decrease tow as result for this study the deviation on supply voltage must be in range of  $\pm 10\%$ .

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