# Unified Torque Expressions of AC Machines

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# Outline

- 1. Review of torque calculation methods.
- 2. Interaction between two magnetic fields.
- 3. Unified torque expression for AC machines.
  - Permanent Magnet (PM) machine;
  - Synchronous Reluctance Machine (SynRM);
  - Induction Machine (IM);

#### 4. Conclusion.





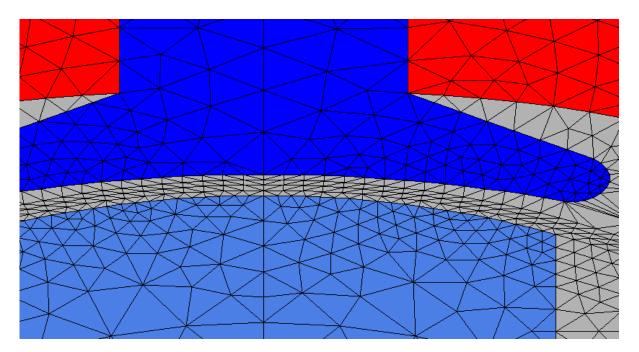






#### Numerical method with FEA.

Maxwell stress tensor  $\left(\frac{B_n \cdot B_t}{2\mu_0}\right)$  in the air gap region.





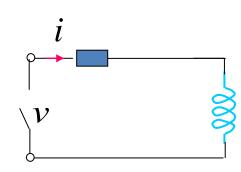


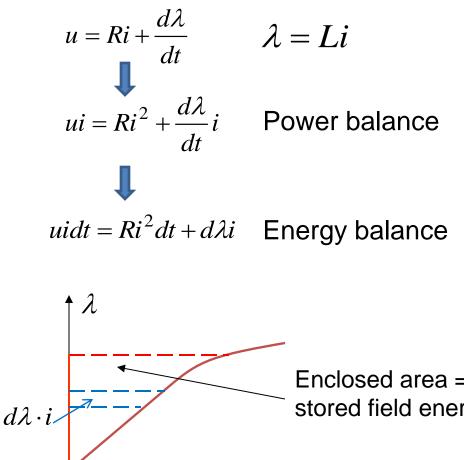






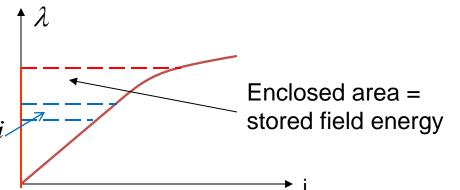
#### Based on the energy conversion theory















Similar for an electrical machine

$$u_{qs} = R_s i_{qs} + \frac{d}{dt} \lambda_{qs} + \omega_{r,el} \lambda_{ds} \qquad u_{ds} = R_s i_{ds} + \frac{d}{dt} \lambda_{ds} - \omega_{r,el} \lambda_{qs}$$

For example, the q-axis, stator side winding analysis:

 $P_{inq} = i_{qs}u_{qs} = R_s i^2_{qs} + i_{qs}\frac{d}{dt}\lambda_{qs} + \omega_{r,el}\lambda_{ds}i_{qs}$ 

Copper loss

Input power of the q-axis winding

$$P_{mec,dq} = \omega_{r,el} \left( \lambda_{ds} i_{qs} - \lambda_{qs} i_{ds} \right)$$



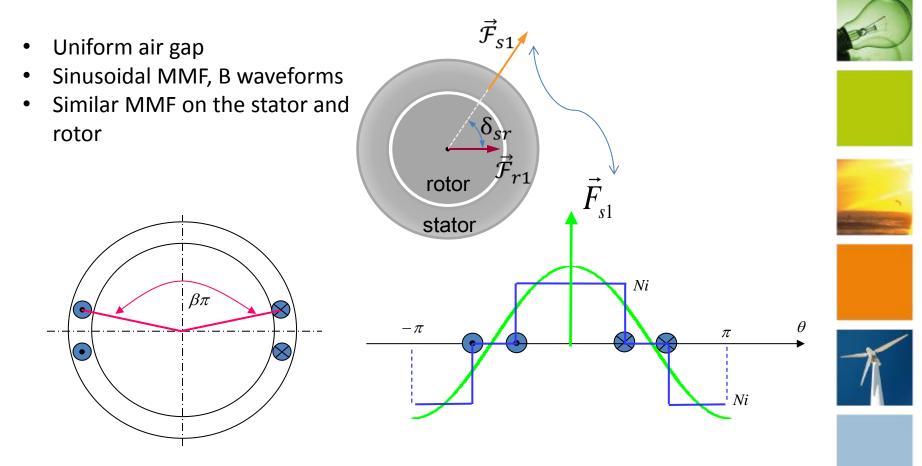


**Output mechanical power** 

Rate change of the stored field energy



#### Another way to utilize the energy conversion theory



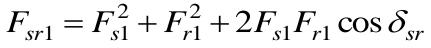




air-gap actual field intensity

#### So finding the air gap average co-energy density

air-gap total MMF (fundamental component)





 $H_{ag,peak} = \frac{F_{sr1}}{g}$ Average co-energy density assuming sinusoidal air-gap field

$$=\frac{\mu_0}{2}\frac{\left(H_{ag,peak}\right)^2}{2}=\frac{\mu_0}{4}\left(\frac{F_{sr1}}{g}\right)^2$$

Average of sin square function gives



 $\vec{\mathcal{F}}_{s1}$ 

rotor

stator



#### So the torque is obtained as

By accounting the volume of the air, the total co-energy

$$W_{co,ave} = \frac{\mu_0}{4} \left(\frac{F_{sr1}}{g}\right)^2 \cdot \pi DLg$$

By differentiation the co-energy, we obtain the torque

$$T = k_T \mathcal{F}_{s1} \mathcal{F}_{r1} \sin \delta_{sr}$$

$$k_T = \frac{\mu_0 \pi D L}{2g} p$$











# Torque expression for comparison

#### 1. Some observations

- Classical torque equation may involve different inductances and e.g.
   PM flux linkage direct comparison is not so obvious
- We experience winding current excited magnetic field (MMF), permanent magnet field (PMSM) and salient rotor magnetic field modulation effects (sync. Reluctance motor).
- 2. An ideal torque expressions for AC machines.
  - > Applying the same principle.
  - Intuitive understanding of torque production mechanism.
  - Torque expressions with the same geometrical parameters and physical quantities.













#### So steps to take

- Turn all other magnetic field into winding current excited magnetic field (MMF)
- Using a uniform airgap





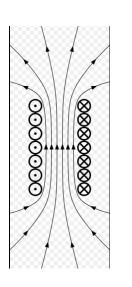


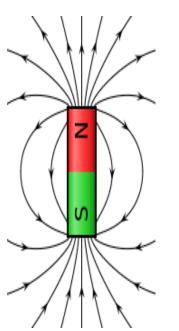






#### **Consider a permanent magnet**





Air gap B waveform or winding MMF waveform

It is possible to replace the magnet with winding MMF for producing the same air gap B waveform

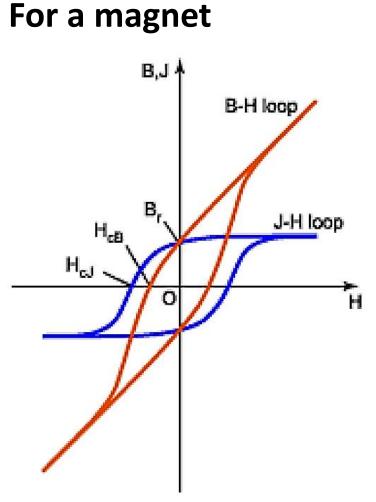






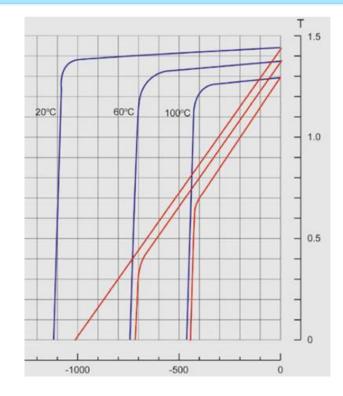






J and B have the same unit: [T]





The relationship  $J = B - \mu_0 H$  $B = B_r + \mu_{pm} H$ 









#### **Convenient expression**

$$B = B_{r} - \mu_{pm}H$$

$$J = B + \mu_{0}H$$

$$J = \mu_{0}M$$

$$M: moment (not a constant) as well)$$

$$B = \mu_{0}M - \mu_{0}H$$

$$M = \frac{B_{r}}{\mu_{0}} at H = 0$$

$$(Only \ \mu_{0} \text{ is involved})$$

$$H$$

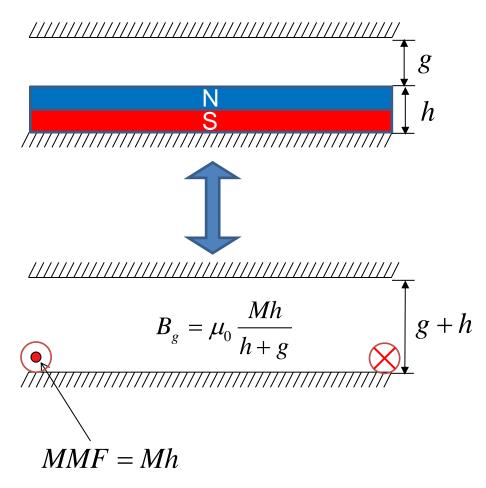
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#### The PM magnetic field



For example:

h = 1 mm $M = \frac{B_r}{M}$ Br = 1.2 (T)Mh = 955 (A.turns)





 $\mu_0$ 

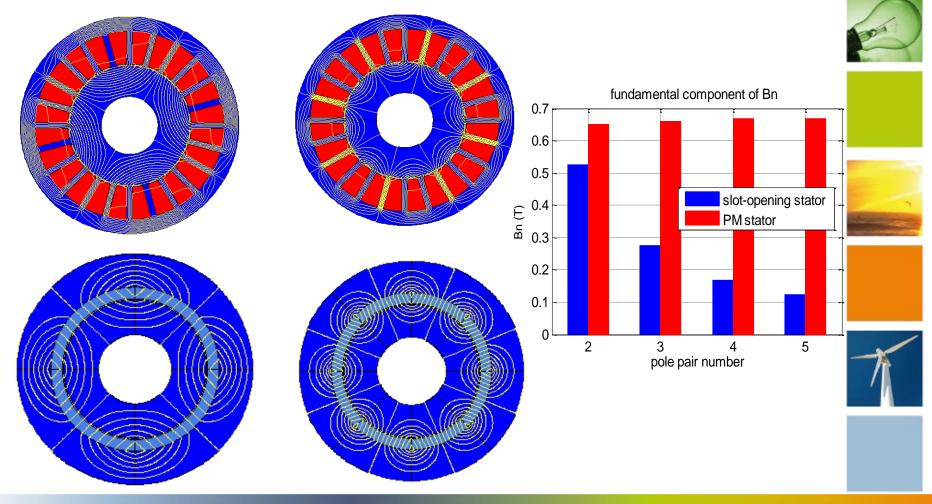
The MMF does not decrease when the magnet becomes narrower (neglecting the leakage flux)







#### Magnet MMF vs. winding MMF

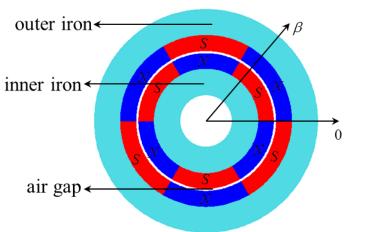


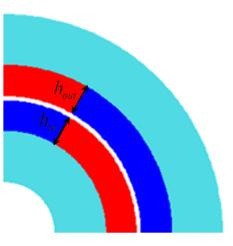




# Magnetic Coupling (MC)

- 1. Torque production of magnetic coupling could be typically explained with the interaction between two magnetic fields.
- 2. Models:







4. Magnetic field from permanent magnets (fundamental component)

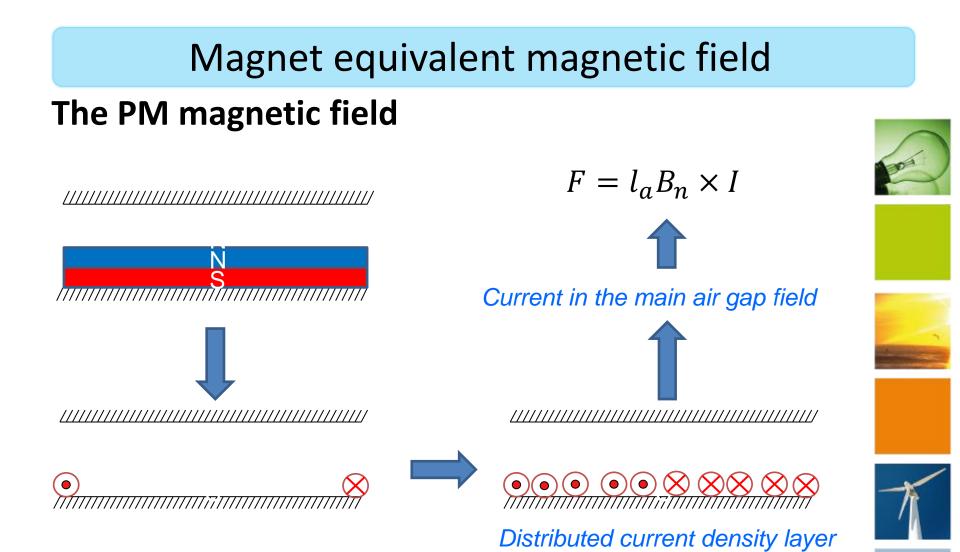
Inner PMs: 
$$B_{n1\_in} = k_B \mu_0 \frac{M h_{in}}{g + h_{in} + h_{out}} \sin(P\theta - \omega t + \beta_{in})$$

Outer PMs: 
$$B_{n1\_out} = k_B \mu_0 \frac{M h_{out}}{g + h_{in} + h_{out}} \sin(P\theta - \omega t + \beta_{out})$$

*M*: magnetization intensity;  $k_B$ :  $B_{n1}$  waveform factor considering the magnetizing direction of PMs.











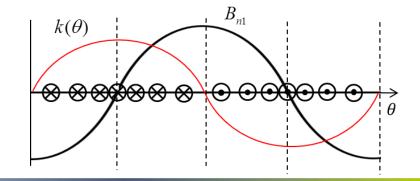
## Torque Evaluation of MC

#### **2.** Equivalent current $k(\theta)$ to replace the PMs on out side of MC:

satisfying  $\int k(\theta) d\theta = \frac{B_{n1}(\theta)}{\mu_0} (g + h_{in} + h_{out})$  (ensuring identical MMF) yielding  $k(\theta) = k_B PMh_{out} \cos(P\theta - \omega t + \beta_{out})$  (Peak value  $k_m(\theta) = k_B PMh_{out}$ )

#### Thus:

- Equivalent current is sinusoidally distributed along the inner surface of outer iron.
- > Equivalent current is rotating at the same speed of PM in space.
- Peak value of equivalent current is determined by the MMF of the magnetic field source and the pole pair number.









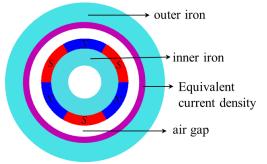






# Torque Evaluation of MC

1. Equivalent model: current is located in the air gap magnetic field.



2. Electromagnetic force endured on the current at the position of  $\theta$ .

$$f(\theta) = L_a B_{n1}(\theta) k(\theta)$$
 (along the tangential direction)

3. Torque of MC:

$$T = \int_{0}^{2\pi} Rf(\theta) d\theta = K_{m}B_{n1m}F_{n1m} \cdot \sin(\beta_{r} - \beta_{s})$$

$$K_{m} = L_{a}\frac{\pi D}{2} \qquad (\text{geometrical parameters})$$

$$B_{n1m} = k_{B}\mu_{0}\frac{Mh_{in}}{g+h_{in}+h_{out}} \qquad (\text{peak value of fundamental magnetic field })$$

$$F_{n1m} = k_{B}PMh_{out} \qquad (\text{peak value of fundamental MMF for P pole pairs })$$

$$f(\delta) = \sin(\delta) = \sin(\beta_{r} - \beta_{s}) \qquad (\text{relative position between rotor and stator magnetic field})$$







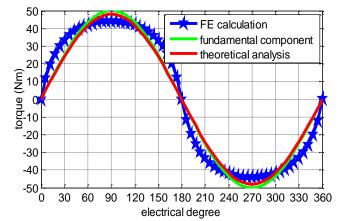




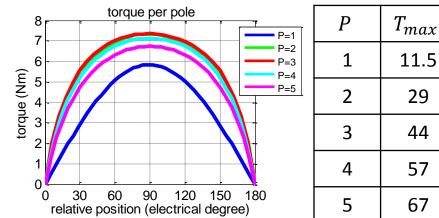


# Torque performance of MC

#### 1. Torque comparison



#### 2. Effect of pole pair number on torque



#### 3. Observations:

- > A good agreement between the results from theoretical analysis and FE calculation.
- Neglecting flux leakage between poles, the maximum torque value of MC is in a linear proportion to the pole number, which may be explained by torque expression of  $T = K_m B_{n1m} F_{n1m} f(\delta)$ .







# Torque analysis of PM machine

#### 1. Equivalent model:

- Exactly the same with that of MC, thus the obtained torque expression may be applied for PM machine.
- 2. Specific expression of each term:
  - Stator MMF:  $F_{s1\_pole}(\theta) = \frac{m}{2} \frac{4}{\pi} \frac{1}{2} \frac{JZSf_{fill}k_w}{m(2P)} \sin(P\theta \omega t + \beta_s)$ Thus total MMF:  $F_{s1m} = PF_{s1m\_pole}$
  - > Rotor magnetic field:  $B_{r1}(\theta) = \mu_0 k_B \frac{Mh}{g+h} \sin(P\theta \omega t + \beta_r)$
  - > Torque expression:

$$T = K_m B_{r1m} F_{s1m} f(\delta) = \left(L_a \frac{\pi D}{2}\right) \left(\mu_0 k_B \frac{Mh}{g+h}\right) \left(\frac{JZSf_{fill}k_w}{2\pi}\right) \sin(\beta_r - \beta_s)$$







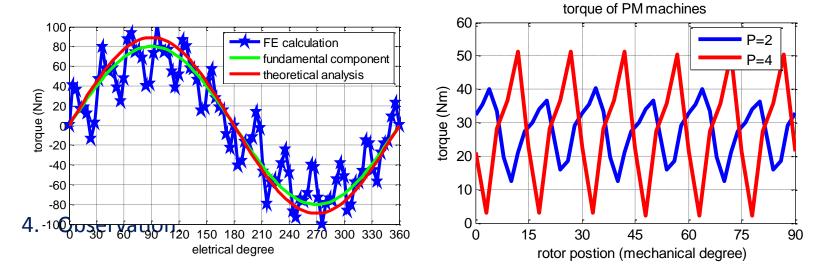




# Torque analysis of PM machine

1. Torque expression validation

2. Effect of pole pair number on torque



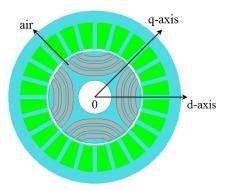
Maximum torque value of PM is determined by the main dimension (L<sub>a</sub> and D), the rotor magnetic field production capability of per pole (Mhand g), and stator total current . When neglecting flux leakage between poles, the pole pair number has no effect on the total torque.





# Torque analysis of SynRM

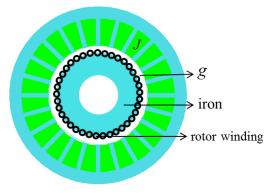
#### 1. Model



Features:

- slot-opening stator with winding current;
- salient rotor without magnetic field source;
- non-uniform air gap;

2. Equivalent model



Features:

- identical stator configuration with that of original model;
- > uniform air gap (g);
- rotor is assigned with current loading.







3. Conditions:

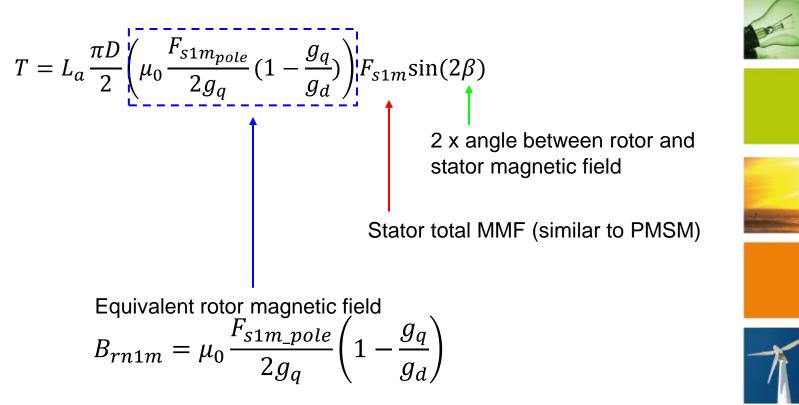
- > Keep the stator configuration unchanged, including structure and armature current.
- Keep the air gap magnetic field unchanged.





## Torque analysis of SynRM

#### The derived torque equation

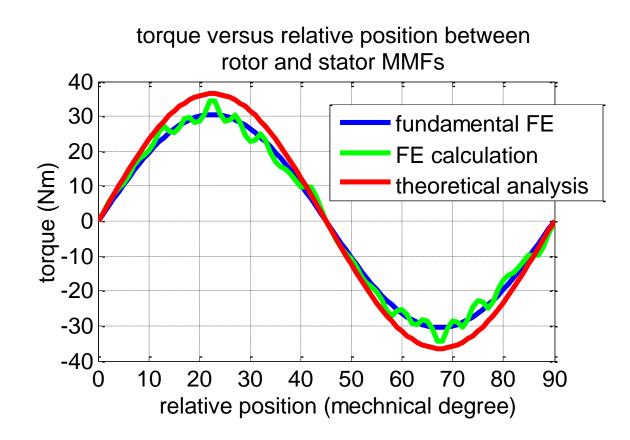






# Torque analysis of SynRM

Torque comparison













# Torque analysis of IM

Expressions of the terms in torque expression

- > Rotor magnetic field  $B_{r1m} = \mu_0 \frac{F_{r1m}}{q}$
- Stator MMF  $F_{s1m} = PF_{s1m_pole}$
- Dimensional factor
- $K_m = L_a \frac{\pi D}{2}$
- ➢ Position function  $f(\delta) = sin(β<sub>r</sub> − β<sub>s</sub>)$
- > Torque calculation  $T = K_m B_{r1m} F_{s1m} f(\delta) = L_a \frac{\pi D}{2} (\mu_0 \frac{F_{s1m\_pole}}{2a}) F_{s1m} \sin 2\delta$
- Equivalent rotor magnetic field:  $B_{r1m} = \mu_0 \frac{F_{s1m\_pole}}{2g}$













# Conclusion

- 1. A unified torque expression is obtained for different AC machines, applying the same principle.
- 2. By FEM, the accuracy of this torque equation is validated;
- 3. Under the condition of the same stator configurations, only the peak value of rotor magnetic fields need to be compared for the torque comparison of AC machines .

$$PM \text{ machine: } B_{r1m} = \mu_0 k_B \frac{Mh}{g+h}$$

$$MR: \qquad B_{r1m} = \mu_0 \frac{F_{s1m\_pole}}{2g}$$

$$SynRM: \qquad B_{rn1m} = \mu_0 \frac{F_{s1m\_pole}}{2g_q} \left(1 - \frac{g_q}{g_d}\right)$$









