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“Modeling, Control and Design of Propulsion Drive for EVs”

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The drive train is the main part of any electric vehicle (EV) which requires a suitable control technique for the smooth operation of the vehicle at optimized efficiency. The permanent magnet synchronous motor (PMSM) and Brushless DC (BLDC) drives have been given lots of attention for variable speed drive (VSD) systems because of various advantages such as high efficiency, high power factor, high torque to current ratio, large power to weight ratio and robustness. Recent advancements in control techniques and power electronics ensure the use of PMSM and BLDC drives in applications demanding a fast dynamic response.

It is well known that inverter-based drive systems are very prone to different modes of failure that occur at the front-end rectifier or at the power inverter as well as in control subsystems. The objective of this proposal is to address the various key points that are associated with inverter-based drive systems such as control scheme for PMSM and BLDC drives, sensor reduction techniques, Torque ripple reduction technique and Fault-tolerant operation, power quality issues, application of wide bandgap semiconductor devices and artificial intelligence techniques for efficient operation.

Topics of interest include, but are not limited to:

- Modeling, control analysis, and design of propulsion inverters
- Novel PWM Techniques for power electronics control
- Advanced drive and control techniques for propulsion motors
- Control scheme for PMSM and BLDC drives

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- Torque ripple reduction technique and control of AC drive
- Fault-tolerant operation in AC motor drives
- Power quality issues and standards: an industry update
- Application of artificial intelligence techniques for efficient operation
- Application of wide bandgap semiconductor i.e. GaN and SiC devices
- Real-time monitoring, identifying, and rectifying faults in the motor drive system.
- Modular converters for EV applications
- Thermal modelling of converters
- Highly efficient motor control operation
- Hybrid vehicle propulsion system
- Battery operated converters for drives

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Deadlines:
Full paper submission: June 25, 2021
Paper acceptance notification: July 30, 2021
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