

Performance Comparison between PSO and GA in Improving Dynamic Voltage Stability in ANFIS Controllers for STATCOM

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Abstract—One of STATCOM's advantages is its quick response to disturbances in the power systems. The controller of STATCOM is commonly a PID controller. However, the PID controller is usually only highly effective at one or some operation points. In order to improve operational efficiency of the controller of STATCOM, the proposed ANFIS-PSO and ANFIS-GA controllers have been studied and applied to the studied power system. To demonstrate the performance of the proposed controllers, simulations of the voltage response in time-domain were performed in MATLAB to evaluate the effectiveness of the designed controllers for STATCOM. The simulation results showed that the proposed controllers can be used to improve the system stability as well as the voltage quality more effectively than the conventional PID controller. The ANFIS PSO controller carried out the best response after the occurrence of a three-phase short circuit fault.

Keywords-STATCOM; adaptive neuro-fuzzy inference system (ANFIS); particle swarm optimization (PSO); genetic algorithm (GA); proportional integral derivative (PID); voltage stability

I. INTRODUCTION

Voltage stability issues are always concerned by the power system operator. In enhancing voltage stability using reactive power compensator [1], the series capacitors can minimize reactive power loss, enhance voltage and gain the power transfer ability of the transmission line. The use of capacitors for compensating is very beneficial but it cannot improve transient stability after fault conditions or other complicated operation conditions as short-circuit in two-phase or three-phase. For solving this case, flexible AC transmission system (FACTS) devices were proposed to be implemented to the power grid for improving the stability of the power system. Static synchronous compensator (STATCOM) is one of the most suitable devices that can be used not only to maintain the

voltage at the connected bus but also to improve the dynamic stability of the system [2-7]. STATCOM is applied to improve the operational and control performance of the power system such as power transfer capability, voltage regulation, reactive power management, stability limits, power factor improvement, etc [2]. In [3], a new control strategy using a full-power wind permanent-magnet generator (PMG) with a STATCOM is proposed to compensate reactive power for improving transient voltage stability during and after faults. Authors in [4] examined the use of STATCOM in improving voltage stability and performance of a DFIG-based wind farm interconnected to a weak distribution system due to the effects of transient disturbances such as three phase fault, step load change, voltage swelling and sagging in the system. In [5], the results showed that STATCOM can significantly improve the high voltage ride through capability of type-D wind turbine and prevents it from being disconnected from the grid during voltage swell in the grid side. Authors in [6] presented a design procedure for STATCOM which constantly updates the parameters of the PI controller to enhance the voltage profile of the multi-machine system under dynamic disturbances. Besides that, STATCOM can be combined with Power System Stabilizer (PSS) in multi-machine power systems for improving the voltage profile and damping oscillations of synchronous generators under normal and abnormal network conditions [7].

Commonly, PID controllers are used to control STATCOMs. The PID controllers have robust performance across a wide range of operating conditions and functional simplicity. However, the high nonlinearity of the power system means that a PID controller can provide robust performance at a particular operating range. Recently, many controllers have been applied to improve the efficiency of the device, such as the hybrid Proportional Integral plus Fuzzy Logic (PI+FL)

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damping controller designed for STATCOM to improve the voltage stability of a multi-machine system when a three phase short circuit occurs [8]. In addition, a fuzzy logic controller is designed for STATCOM to enhance the transient stability of an interconnected power system during fault occurrence. The results indicate that the fuzzy logic based STATCOM controller gives improved performance compared with the PI based STATCOM controller [9]. However, the main disadvantage of fuzzy logic controllers is that they depend on the programmer's experience. Combining algorithms to exploit the advantages of each is a good solution that is being widely researched. In [10], the author proposed an algorithm that combined fuzzy logic and artificial neural networks called Adaptive-Network-based Fuzzy Inference System (ANFIS). ANFIS is a good structure for designing a controller of SVC to damp power system oscillations and enhance system stability [11]. The effectiveness of the proposed controller is demonstrated on an SVC located at the middle of a transmission line connecting a generator to an infinite bus. The ANFIS control algorithm gained attention due to its robustness in nonlinear systems. An intelligent controller that combined ANFIS and Fuzzy turning of PID was designed to control a STATCOM to enhance power quality in a power system in [12].

This paper presents the ANFIS-PSO and ANFIS-GA controllers of STATCOM for transient stability improvement of the power system after large disturbances. The controllers combine the optimal searching method of PSO and GA in ANFIS controller for optimal system operation. Simulation results illustrate the effectiveness of the proposed controllers in enhancing system stability.

II. SYSTEM CONFIGURATION

A. Studied System Configuration

The studied system in this paper is the power network installed in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam, shown in Figure 1

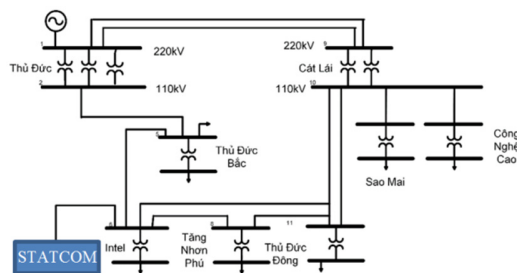


Fig. 1. Single line diagram of the Thu Duc power network.

During the last year some faults occurred in the Thu Duc power network, which is relevant to the Intel bus. Intel is a semiconductor producing company and it is very sensitive to power faults. The requirements for the power network stability are extremely strict in the current circumstance. For these reasons, it was decided to study the issue of Thu Duc power network using Matlab. As shown in Figure 1, a STATCOM is installed at the Intel bus for investigating its efficiency in gaining voltage value. The Thu Duc power transmission system

has a 220kV power source instead of the transmission line transferring the power from other 220kV bus and five 250MVA step-down transformers for reducing the voltage from 220kV to 110kV, which is a loop circuit from Thu Duc bus to Cat Lai bus. Besides, a 15MVA STATCOM is also installed at the Intel bus for researching its effectiveness and the voltage stability of the studied system. There are six load buses, namely Thu Duc Bac, Intel, Tang Nhon Phu, Thu Duc Dong, Sao Mai, Cong Nghe Cao.

B. STATCOM Modeling

A STATCOM is designed for regulating the voltage at its terminals by compensating the amount of reactive power in or out of the power system. When the system voltage is low, the STATCOM injects the reactive power to the power system. When the voltage is high, it absorbs the reactive power. Besides, a STATCOM can be designed to act as an active filter to absorb system harmonics [13]. For analyzing the STATCOM, a mathematical model is used, in which the output voltage is separated into two components represented in *d* and *q* axes as follows [14-15]:

$$v_{dsta} = V_{dcsta} \cdot km_{sta} \cdot \sin(\theta_{bus} + \alpha_{sta}) \quad (1)$$

$$v_{qsta} = V_{dcsta} \cdot km_{sta} \cdot \cos(\theta_{bus} + \alpha_{sta}) \quad (2)$$

where v_{dsta} and v_{qsta} are the voltages of *d* and *q* axes at the output terminals of the STATCOM, km_{sta} is the modulation index of the STATCOM, α_{sta} is the phase angle of the STATCOM, θ_{bus} is the voltage phase angle of the common AC bus, and V_{dcsta} is the DC voltage of the DC capacitor C_m . The relationship between DC voltage and current of the DC capacitor can be described as:

$$(C_m)p(V_{dcsta}) = \omega_b [I_{dcsta} - (V_{dcsta}/R_m)] \quad (3)$$

where I_{dcsta} is the pu DC current flowing into the positive terminal of V_{dcsta} , R_m is the pu equivalent resistance considering the equivalent electrical losses of the STATCOM, and i_{qsta} and i_{dsta} are the currents in *q* and *d* axes flowing into the terminals of the STATCOM respectively. The fundamental control block diagram of the STATCOM including damping controller is shown in Figure 2. The DC voltage V_{dcsta} is controlled by the phase angle α_{sta} while the voltage v_{sta} is varied by changing the modulation index km_{sta} .

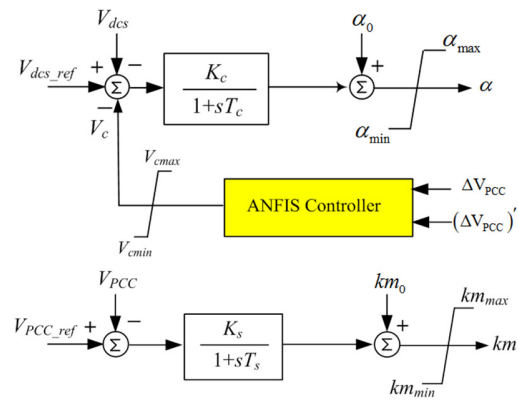


Fig. 2. Control scheme of STATCOM

III. ADAPTIVE NEURO-FUZZY INFERENCE SYSTEM

ANFIS discriminates itself from normal fuzzy logic systems by its adaptive parameters, i.e. both premise and consequent parameters are adjustable. A typical architecture of the used ANFIS is shown in Figure 3, in which a circle indicates a fixed node, whereas a square indicates an adaptive node. For simplicity, we consider two inputs x, y and one output f . Among the many FIS models, the Sugeno fuzzy model is the most widely applied one for its high interpretability and computational efficiency, and built-in optimal and adaptive techniques. For each model, a common rule set with two fuzzy if-then rules can be expressed as [16]:

Rule i : if x is A_i and y is B_i then $\hat{f}_i = p_i x + q_i y + r_i$.

where A_i and B_i are fuzzy sets in the antecedent and $z=f(x,y)$ is a crisp function in the consequent. p_i, q_i, r_i are the updating parameters of the rule.

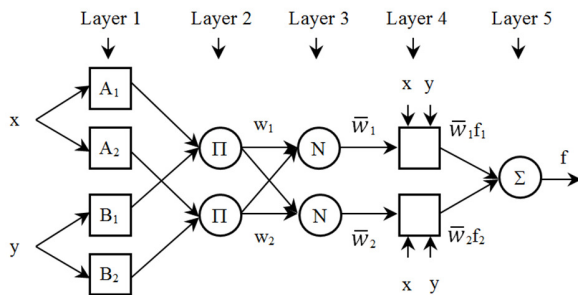


Fig. 3. Configuration of ANFIS

Each ANFIS consists of five layers [16]:

- Layer 1: In this layer, input fuzzification takes place. Mathematically, this function can be expressed as:

$$O_{ij}^{(1)} = \mu_j(I_{ij}^{(1)}) \quad (4)$$

where $O_{ij}^{(1)}$ is the Layer 1 node's output which corresponds to the j -th linguistic term of the i -th input variable $I_{ij}^{(1)}$, i is the number of input variable and j is the number of linguistic terms of each input. In this research, $i=2$ and $j=5$.

$$\mu_j(I_{ij}^{(1)}) = \frac{1}{1 + \left| \frac{x_i - c_{ij}}{a_{ij}} \right|^{b_{ij}}} \quad (5)$$

where the triplet of parameters (a_{ij}, b_{ij}, c_{ij}) are referred to as premise parameters or non-linear parameters and they adjust the shape and the location of the membership function. Those parameters are adjusted during the training mode of operation by the error back-propagation algorithm.

- Layer 2: The total number of rules in this layer is 25. Each node output represents the activation level of a rule, with k representing rule number:

$$O_k^{(2)} = w_k \prod_{i=1}^q O_{ij}^{(1)} \quad (6)$$

- Layer 3: The output of the k -th node is the firing strength of each rule divided by the total sum of the activation values of all the fuzzy rules. This results in the normalization of the activation value for each fuzzy rule. This operation is simply written as:

$$O_k^{(3)} = \bar{w}_k = \frac{O_k^{(2)}}{\sum_{m=1}^y O_m^{(2)}} \quad (7)$$

- Layer 4: Each node k in this layer is accompanied by a set of adjustable parameters $d_{1k}, d_{2k}, \dots, d_{N_{input}k}, d_{yk}, d_{0k}$, and implements the linear function:

$$O_k^{(4)} = \bar{w}_k f_k \quad (8)$$

$$O_k^{(4)} = (d_{1k} I_1^{(1)} + d_{2k} I_2^{(1)} + \dots + d_{N_{input}k} I_1^{(1)} + d_{0k})$$

- Layer 5: The single node in this layer computes the overall output as the summation of all incoming signals, which is expressed as:

$$O_k^{(5)} = \sum_{k=1}^y O_k^{(4)} = \sum_{k=1}^y \bar{w}_k f_k = \frac{\sum_{k=1}^y w_k f_k}{\sum_{k=1}^y w_k} \quad (9)$$

A. Particle Swarm Optimization (PSO) Algorithm

PSO is a meta-heuristic algorithm, inspired by the collective intelligence and behavior of birds and fish. This algorithm was at first based on simple mathematical relations, considering the movement patterns of birds for the optimization of complex problems [17]. The algorithm starts by randomly creating an initial population. In fact, each particle shows a possible response. Each particle starts to move and search in the problem space in order to find the most appropriate point. In each step, this particle is fitted by its objective function and is placed toward the most appropriate direction to determine the most accurate and precise response. Each particle continues its movement each time using its experience and its neighbors in the problem search space. Other particles move towards the particle with the best position and correct their directions. Therefore, the movement of particles in the problem search space depends on three factors including the present position of the particle, the best location that a particle has experienced, and the best location of all the particles. In each cycle, the aim is to identify a particle that finds the best momentary position and the other particles move towards it considering the superiority of the most appropriate particle in terms of location. This continues until all particles gather together at the best point [18]. These calculations are based on (10) and (11):

$$V_i^{(k+1)} = w V_i^{(k)} + c_1 r_1 (pbest_i - X_i^{(k)}) + c_2 r_2 (gbest_i - X_i^{(k)}) \quad (10)$$

$$V_i^{(k+1)} = X_i^{(k)} + V_i^{(k)} \quad (11)$$

In (10), $i=1, \dots, N$, where N is the population size, and $k=1, 2, 3, \dots$ is the iteration number in the algorithm process.

$V_i^{(k+1)}$ is the new velocity vector for the i^{th} particle, $V_i^{(k)}$ indicates the existing velocity vector for the i^{th} particle, $pbest_i$ is the best position that the i^{th} particle has experienced, and $gbest$ is the best experienced position of all particles. In (11), $X_i^{(k)}$ is the present position of the i^{th} particle and the new position of the i^{th} particle, w is the weight inertia, which is used in the class of particles to ensure the convergence and is suggested to be in the range of 0.4-0.9, r_1 and r_2 are random numbers from 0 up to 1, c_1 and c_2 are two fixed and positive values that are introduced as the personal learning factor and the global learning factor respectively, and have a significant role in the algorithm's convergence controlling process. It is worth mentioning that the condition $c_1+c_2 \leq 4$ must always be met. The steps of PSO are: (1) Initialize the swarm of particles in random positions within the hyperspace. (2) Evaluate the performance of each particle, using its current position. (3) Compare the performance of each individual to its best performance. (4) Change the velocity vector for each particle. (5) Move each particle to a new position. (6) Go to 2 and repeat until convergence. The parameters are initialized randomly in step (1), then they are being updated in each cycle. In the first iteration $\{ai\}$ are updated, then in the second iteration $\{bi\}$ are updated, then $\{ci\}$ are updated and then after updating all parameters again $\{ai\}$ are updated and the process is repeated.

B. Genetic Algorithm (GA)

GA is a random search technique that imitates natural evolution with Darwinian survival of the fittest approach. It can handle any kind of objective function and constraints without many mathematical requirements. The population strategy enables GA to search near optimal solutions from various parts and directions simultaneously within a search space [19]. GA uses random choice and probabilistic decision to guide the research, where the population improves towards near-optimal point from generation to generation. In GA, the problem's variables are represented as genes in a chromosome, and the chromosomes are evaluated according to their fitness values. The chromosomes with better fitness are found through the three basic operations of GA: selection, crossover and mutation. The genetic operators alter the composition of genes in order to create new chromosomes, called offspring, and with the selection operator, chromosomes with better fitness have higher probabilities of being selected in the next generation.

Genetic algorithm's steps are:

1. Generate the initial population.
2. Generate the consequent parameters for every chromosome.
3. Evaluation of each chromosome in the population using the objective function, and storing the best chromosomes.
4. Employing the genetic operator to obtain new chromosomes (selection, crossover, and mutation).
5. Generate the parameters for each of the new elements.
6. Evaluation of each chromosome, and storing of the new best chromosomes.
7. If the stopping criterion is validated then the parameters are stored, else return to step 4.

8. Recover of the best particle.

IV. SIMULATION RESULTS

The task of a learning algorithm is to tune all the modifiable parameters to make the ANFIS output match the training data. The overall output is a linear combination of the modifiable parameters. The training algorithms require a training set between inputs and outputs. In this paper, both training algorithms PSO and GA were used to optimize membership function parameters of ANFIS in order to minimize the cost function which is RMSE.

$$RMSE = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - y_i)^2} \quad (12)$$

The data sets that are required for training purposes are obtained using a PID controller with a sample time of 0.001s. Characteristics of the initial parameters of ANFIS, PSO and GA are shown in Tables I, II, and III respectively.

TABLE I. CHARACTERISTICS OF THE ANFIS MODEL

| ANFIS parameter | Value |
|-------------------------|--------|
| Type | Sugeno |
| Number of clusters | 5 |
| Inputs/outputs | [2 1] |
| Number of input MFs | [5 5] |
| Number of training data | 1250 |

TABLE II. PSO PARAMETERS

| PSO parameter | Value |
|---|-------|
| Population size | 25 |
| Maximum number of iterations | 1000 |
| Inertia weight (w) | 1 |
| Personal learning coefficient (c_1) | 1 |
| Global learning coefficient (c_2) | 2 |
| Inertia weight damping ratio (w_{damp}) | 0.99 |

TABLE III. GA PARAMETERS

| GA parameter | Value |
|--------------------------------|-------|
| Population size | 25 |
| Maximum number of iterations | 1000 |
| Crossover percentage (p_c) | 0.4 |
| Mutation percentage | 0.7 |
| Mutation rate (μ) | 0.15 |
| Selection pressure (β) | 8 |

The proposed models have acceptable accuracy and $RMSE_{PSO}=0.20036$ and $RMSE_{GA}=0.20037$. Simulation results of the proposed ANFIS-PSO and ANFIS-GA controllers of STATCOM after training, were used to compare the damping characteristics on transient stability improvement of the studied system under a three-phase short-circuit fault at the specified buses of the power grid. It was assumed that the three-phase short circuit fault happened on the transmission line from the 110kV Thu Duc Bac substation to 110kV Intel substation in 0.1s. Simulation results are presented in Figures 5 and 6. These Figures plot the comparative transient responses of the studied system with the proposed STATCOM in the cases of PID controller (black dotted line), with ANFIS-PSO controller (red line) and ANFIS-GA controller (blue line) subject to a three-phase short-circuit fault in 0.1s from 0.3s to 0.4s.

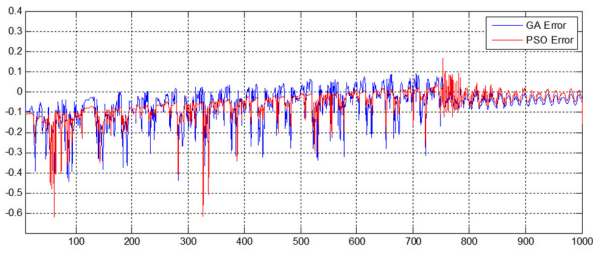


Fig. 4. PSO and GA training results

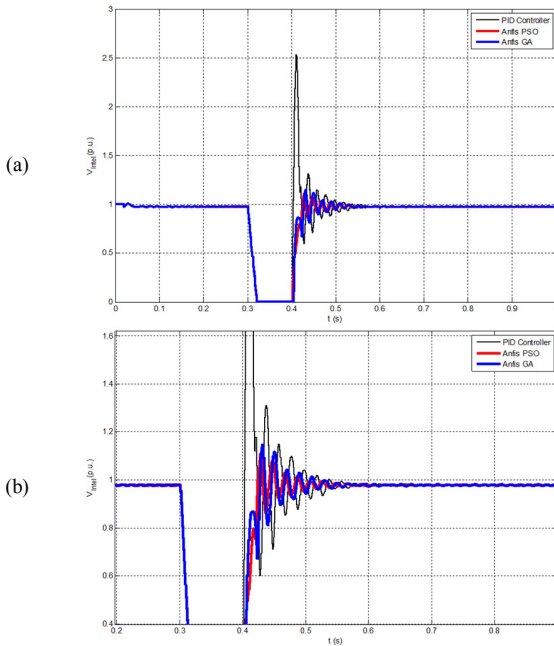


Fig. 5. The voltage of INTEL bus after a three-phase fault. (a) Voltage, (b) zoom in of voltage wave

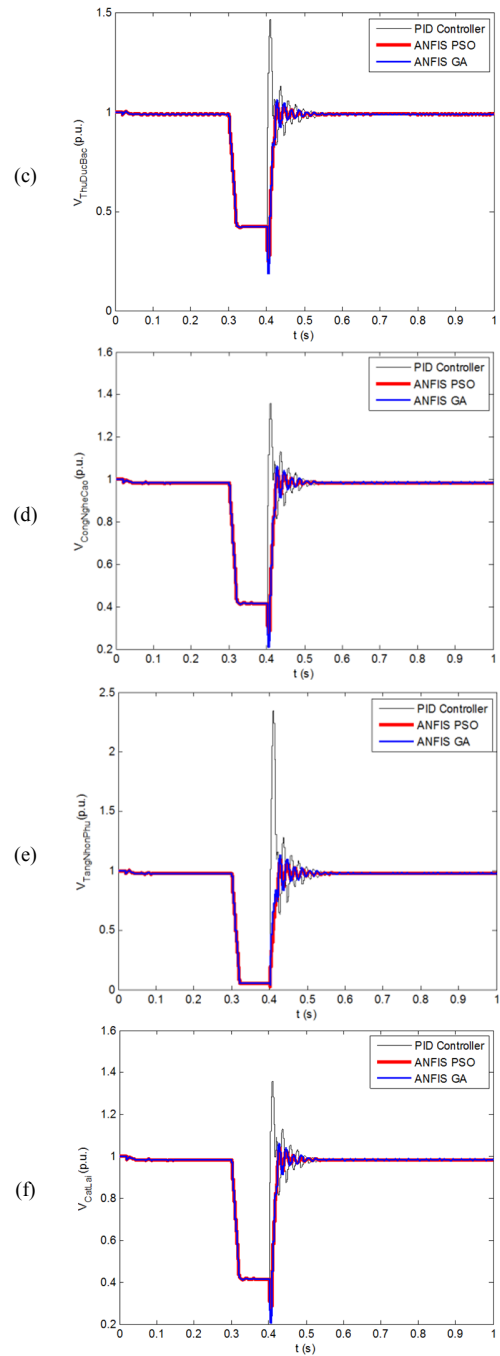
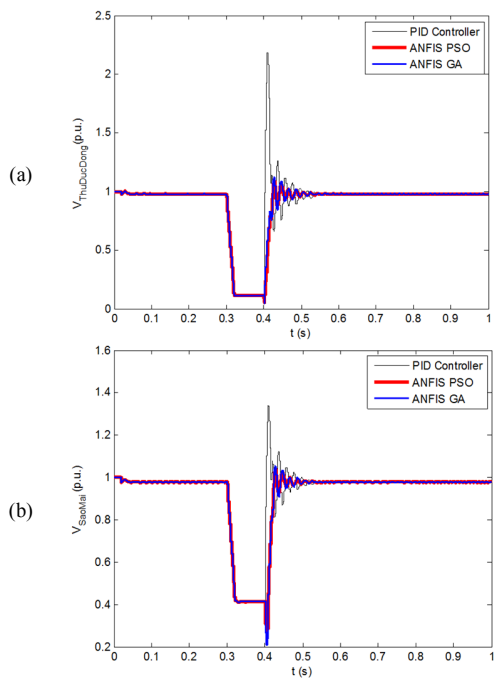


Fig. 6. Response at each bus of the system when a three-phase short circuit fault happened in the Intel bus: (a) Thu Duc Dong bus, (b) Sao Mai bus, (c) Thu Duc Bac bus, (d) Cong Nghe Cao bus, (e) Tang Nhon Phu bus, and (f) Cat Lai bus.

Figure 5 shows the voltage wave of Intel bus after a three-phase fault, while Figure 6 shows the voltage of the six buses. With these figures, it can be easily seen that by applying the hybrid PSO-ANFIS and ANFIS-GA controllers for STATCOM, the output values of these parameters are more stable and more effective, the voltage of each node is improved on overshoot and setting time after a three-phase short circuit fault occurred.

TABLE IV. CONTROLLER RESULT COMPARISON

| Items | Bus | PID | ANFIS GA | ANFIS PSO |
|--------------------------------|---------------|--------|----------|-----------|
| Setting time (s) | Intel | 0.5373 | 0.4904 | 0.487 |
| | Thu Duc Dong | 0.5374 | 0.4876 | 0.4876 |
| | Cong Nghe Cao | 0.4979 | 0.4571 | 0.4465 |
| | Tang Nhon Phu | 0.5475 | 0.5067 | 0.4877 |
| | Thu Duc Bac | 0.4976 | 0.4468 | 0.4462 |
| | Cat Lai | 0.4977 | 0.4569 | 0.428 |
| Maximum Voltage (pu) | Intel | 2.53 | 1.15 | 1.11 |
| | Thu Duc Dong | 2.18 | 1.12 | 1.09 |
| | Cong Nghe Cao | 1.36 | 1.06 | 1.04 |
| | Tang Nhon Phu | 2.35 | 1.13 | 1.10 |
| | Thu Duc Bac | 1.46 | 1.06 | 1.04 |
| | Cat Lai | 1.36 | 1.06 | 1.04 |
| Percent of overshoot (POT) (%) | Intel | 158% | 17% | 13% |
| | Thu Duc Dong | 123% | 14% | 11% |
| | Cong Nghe Cao | 38% | 8% | 6% |
| | Tang Nhon Phu | 139% | 15% | 12% |
| | Thu Duc Bac | 49% | 8% | 6% |
| | Cat Lai | 38% | 8% | 6% |

By observing the voltage response at the Intel bus shown in Figure 5, it can be seen that the voltage dropped to zero during the fault. The voltage response at Thu Duc Dong and Tang Nhon Phu also dropped to zero due to these buses neighboring with the Intel bus. However, as shown in the response plotted in Figure 6(b), 6(c), 6(e), and 6(f) the voltage magnitude of Sao Mai, Thu Duc Bac, Cong Nghe Cao, and Cat Lai bus only dropped to 0.4p.u. Based on the operation of the STATCOM and its controllers, a large amount of reactive power was supplied in order to improve the voltage response of the buses. In order to compare the efficiency between controllers, percent of overshoot (POT) indice and setting time were used. These indexes are shown in Table IV. In the case of using ANFIS PSO controller, the POT of voltages at Intel, Thu Duc Dong, Cong Nghe Cao substations were 13%, 11%, and 6%, respectively. When using the ANFIS GA controller, the POT of voltages at Intel, Thu Duc Dong, Cong Nghe Cao substations were 17%, 14%, and 8%, respectively. Meanwhile, the voltage overshoot in the case of PID controller was 158%, 123%, and 38%.

Regarding voltage setting times after fault isolation, which is the time of voltage recovery within the permissible range of 5%, the ANFIS-PSO controller gave the smallest values. With the ANFIS-PSO controller, the voltage setting time at Intel, Thu Duc Dong, Cong Nghe Cao substations was 0.4871s, 0.4876s, and 0.4465s, respectively. In the case of PID controller, the voltage setting time was 0.5373s, 0.5374s, and 0.4979s, respectively. For a clearer exhibition of the effectiveness of the proposed controllers, Figure 7 shows the simulation results of the studied system when a three-phase short circuit fault occurs at the 110kV Cong Nghe Cao substation. All the simulation results demonstrate that the preposed ANFIS-PSO and ANFIS-GA controllers are more effective than the conventional PID controller, and ANFIS-PSO controller exhibited the best response.

V. CONCLUSIONS

This paper presented the results of a research on finding the parameters of membership functions of an adaptive system

using particle swarm optimization and genetic algorithms. Hybrid ANFIS-PSO and ANFIS-GA controllers for STATCOM were designed and applied in the Thu Duc power network. STATCOM can support fast response to the system to balance reactive power in the grid, in order to help improving dynamic voltage stability. The simulation results showed that the proposed controllers improve system stability and voltage quality more effective than the conventional PID controller. The ANFIS PSO controller carried out the best response after the occurrence of a three-phase short circuit fault.

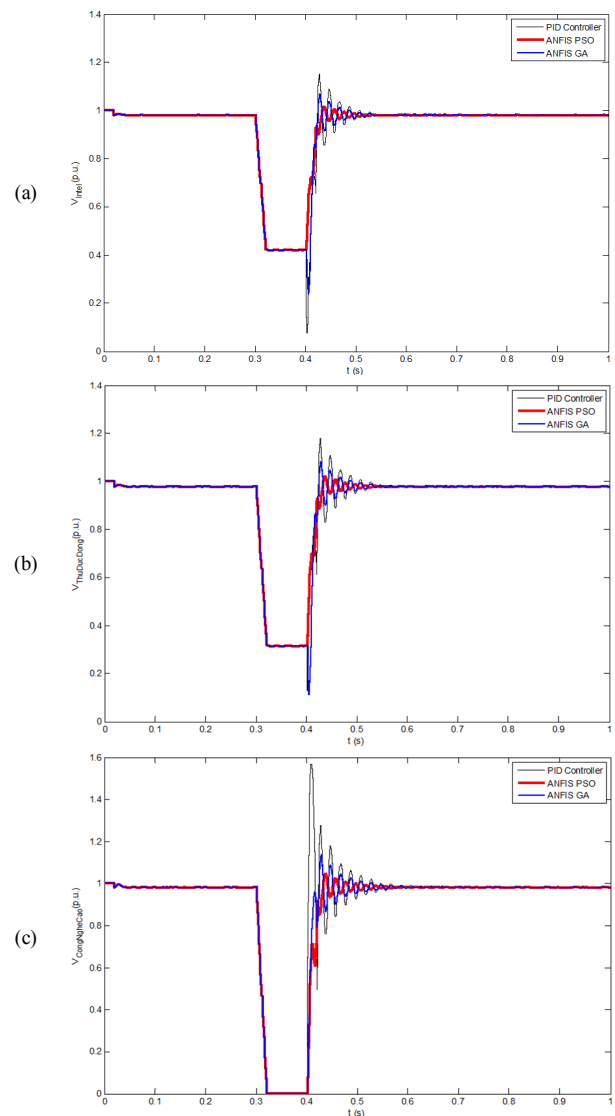


Fig. 7. Responses at each bus of the system when a three-phase short circuit fault happened in the Cong Nghe Cao bus: (a) Intel bus, (b) Thu Duc Dong bus, and (c) Cong Nghe Cao bus.

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