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Nowadays, manufacturing companies are making great efforts to develop incipient fault detection, as it prevents the unscheduled downtime and hence reduces maintenance costs. The machine problem and irregularity can be detected at an early stage using a suitable condition monitoring. The condition monitoring schemes have concentrated on sensing specific failure modes in different parts of the motor. Rotor faults are of significance importance as they cause secondary failures which lead to serious motor malfunctions. Detection of rotor faults has long been an important but difficult job in the detection area of motor faults.

Motor current signature analysis (MCSA) is considered as an effective condition monitoring in any induction motor. However, a signal processing technique, which enhances the fault signature and suppress the dominant system dynamics and noise must be considered. Previous researches found that when broken bars occur in the

machine rotor, the anomaly of electromagnetic field in the air gap will cause two sideband frequency components presented in the stator current spectrum. Therefore, identification of these sideband frequencies can be used as a convenient and reliable approach to detect the broken rotor bar in induction machines.

Frequency analysis as well as time-frequency analysis is the most common signal processing methods applied for fault detection of induction motor. In this research, the effectiveness of these two analysis techniques were investigated for incipient broken rotor bar detection in squirrel-cage induction motor under different levels of load. The result showed that frequency analysis of current signal cannot provide accurate information for incipient fault detection. Therefore, time-frequency analysis was examined for incipient broken rotor bar detection. Wavelet transform of the raw signal depends on the type of wavelet function used for decomposition is different. In view of that, it is desirable to select the appropriate wavelet function, which produces the best results for the signal being analyzed according to the purpose of the research. Therefore, this research investigated the analysis of current signal using different wavelet functions for effective and incipient detection of broken rotor bar in squirrel-cage induction motor. Different functions, namely, Biorthogonal, Coiflet, Daubechies, were compared in screening the features corresponding to the fault present in motor. Among those wavelet functions studied, Daubechies1 provided much more reliable information for incipient detection of broken rotor bar.

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Pada masa sekarang, syarikat pengilang berusaha secara besar besaran untuk membangunkan pengesanan kerosakan awal dengan program penyelenggaraan mesin. Masalah mesin dan penyelewengan boleh dikesan pada peringkat awal dengan menggunakan pemantauan keadaan yang sesuai. Keadaan skim pemantauan telah menumpukan pada penderiaan mod kegagalan khusus di berbagai bahagian motor. Kerosakan rotor adalah amat penting kerana ia menyebabkan kegagalan sekunder yang menyebabkan kerosakan motor serius. Pengesanan kerosakan rotor adalah usaha yang penting dan telah lama dijalankan tetapi sulit dalam bidang mengesan kerosakan motor.

Analisa pengenalan arus motor (MCSA) dianggap sebagai kaedah pengesanan kerosakan berkesan dalam setiap motor aruhan. Namun, teknik pemrosesan isyarat, yang meningkatkan pengenalan kerosakan dan menekan dinamik sistem yang dominan dan hingar harus dipertimbangkan. Penyelidikan sebelum ini mendapati

bahawa ketika bar rosak terjadi pada mesin rotor, anomali medan elektromagnet di ruang udara akan menyebabkan dua komponen frekuensi jalur sisi diwujudkan dalam spektrum stator. Oleh kerana itu, pengenalan frekuensi jalur sisi boleh digunakan sebagai pendekatan yang mudah dan boleh dipercayai untuk mengesan bar rotor rosak di mesin aruhan.

Analisis Frekuensi serta analisis frekuensi masa yang paling umum adalah kaedah pemrosesan isyarat yang dilaksanakan untuk mengesan kerosakan motor aruhan. Dalam kajian ini, keberkesanan dari kedua-dua teknik analisis yang diselidiki untuk pengesanan bar rosak rotor pada motor induksi sangkar tupai-berdasarkan tahap beban yang berbeza. Keputusan kajian menunjukkan bahawa analisis frekuensi isyarat arus tidak dapat memberikan maklumat yang tepat untuk mengesan kerosakan awal. Oleh kerana itu, analisis frekuensi masa yang dikaji untuk pengesanan bar kerosakan awal rotor. Transformasi wavelet dari isyarat mentah bergantung pada jenis fungsi wavelet digunakan untuk dekomposisi yang berbeza. Dalam pandangan itu, sangat dianjurkan untuk memilih fungsi wavelet bersesuaian, yang menghasilkan keputusan yang terbaik bagi isyarat yang dianalisa bersesuaian dengan tujuan kajian. Oleh kerana itu, kajian ini juga meneliti analisis isyarat arus menggunakan fungsi wavelet yang berbeza untuk pengesanan yang berkesan dan mengesan awal kerosakan bar rotor di motor aruhan sangkar tupai. Fungsi tersebut iaitu Biorthogonal, Coiflet, Daubechies, dibanding dalam penapisan ciri yang sesuai dengan kerosakan yang terdapat pada motor. Di antara fungsi-fungsi wavelet yang dikaji, Daubechies¹ memberikan maklumat yang boleh dipercayai untuk pengesanan awal kerosakan bar rotor.

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