



Online Monitoring of Supercapacitor Ageing

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Applications

Electronics

- PCMobile Phone
- Digital Camera



Energy

- Solar Cell
- Wind Power
- Fuel Cell



Transportation

- Electric Vehicle (EV)
- Supercapacitor Bus





Global market for supercapacitors for 2008-2015

EDLCs (Electric double layer capacitors)





	Conventional Capacitor	Ultra-capacitor	Lead acid battery		
Charge time	10 ⁻³ - 10 ⁻⁶ s	0 - 30 s	1 – 5 h		
Discharge time	10 ⁻³ - 10 ⁻⁶ s	0.3 — 30 s	0.3 – 3 h		
Energy density (Wh/kg)	0.1	1 - 10	10 - 100		
Power density (W/kg)	100000	10000	1000		
Cycle life	>500000	>500000	1000		
Charge/discharge efficiency	>0.95	0.85-0.98	0.7-0.85		
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- High C

 -> Higher energy density
 than a conventional capacitor
- High Power Density

 -> Faster charging/discharging
 than a battery
- Long life cycle



Initial and aged Activated-carbon surfaces



AFM photographs of the positive polarizing electrode by *T. Umemura* etc.



RESEARCH AIM:

Monitor the ageing process of the EDLCs

- \rightarrow Detect when the end of life criteria occurs
- \rightarrow Replace the old EDLC to avoid catastrophic events

EDLCs models



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Online Identification

Particular charge to provide an accurate parameter estimation.



Online identification does not disturb the way the load consumes the energy stored in the EDLC.

Online Identification



Extended state space model of EDLCs



Online state and parameter estimation



Nonlinear Observability

- The observability of the nonlinear system *
- If Jacobian matrix J at x_0 has full rank:



Locally Observable_[1]

If EDLC system satisfies $J = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \begin{bmatrix} (L_{f}h)(x, \mathcal{U}) \\ \vdots \\ (L_{f}^{n-1}h)(x, \mathcal{U}) \end{bmatrix} , rank(J)|_{x_{0}} = n \\ +x_{4}(x_{3} + x_{4})^{2}(\dot{u}^{2} - u\ddot{u}) + x_{1}(x_{3} + x_{4})(\dot{u}\ddot{u} - u\ddot{u}) \\ +x_{4}(x_{3} + x_{4})(u^{2}\ddot{u} - u\dot{u}^{2})) \neq 0$ locally observable





[1] R. Hermann and A. Krener, "Nonlinear controllability and observability," IEEE Transactions on Automatic Control, vol. 22, no. 5, pp. 728 – 740, Oct. 1977.

Nonlinear Observability

The observability of the linearized system





Solution:

Add PRBS (Pseudo Random Binary Signal) to the charging current

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Extended Kalman Observer (EKO)

Extended system dynamics :	$\dot{x} = f(x, u) + w$	w : Process noise
Measured output :	y = h(x, u) + v	<i>v</i> : Sensor noise



(\hat{x} : states estimated by the observer)

<u>Calculation of K:</u> $K = PH^T R^{-1}$, with $\dot{P} = FP + PF^T - PH^T R^{-1}HP + Q$

Interconnected Observers (IOs) [1]



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Interconnected Observers (IOs) - Kalman-like observer





<u>Calculation of $K_{\underline{1}}$:</u> $K_1 = S^{-1}H^T$, with $\dot{S} = -\rho S - F^T(\hat{X}_2, u)S - SF(\hat{X}_2, u) + H^T H$

Interconnected Observers (IOs) - Reduced order Luenberger observer





Convergence of IOs

Estimation error from KLO:
$$e_1 = X_1 - \hat{X}_1$$

Estimation error from ROLO: $e_2 = X_2 - \hat{X}_2$
Convergence ?

Lyapunove Function Definition

For KLO:
$$V_1 = e_1^T S e_1$$

For ROLO: $V_2 = e_2^T T^2 e_2$ For Whole Observer: $V_0 = V_1 + V_2$

If: $\dot{V}_0 \leq \delta(\rho, K_2) V_0$ and $\delta(\rho, K_2) < 0$

Estimations of IOs are convergent.

Comparison of the two kinds of observers

Extended Kalman Observer (EKO)

Interconnected Observers (IOs)

- Is able to estimate the parameters online
- It is difficult to prove its convergence.
- More tuning parameters

- Is able to estimate the parameters online
- The convergence is guaranteed
- Less tuning parameters



Experimental Results

Offline characterization by EIS [1]



^[1] EIS: Electrochemical Impedance Spectroscopy

Experimental Results - Current and Voltage record



Experimental Results - Parameters estimation before ageing



Experimental Results - Parameters estimation during ageing



Conclusions

- An online in situ monitoring method by means of real-time observers is proposed to monitor the EDLCs ageing.
- To monitor the parameter evolution online, two kinds of real time observers (EKO and IOs) are designed. Compared to EKO, IOs have a lower computational cost and a guaranteed convergence.
- Real ageing experimental data showed that both observers succeed to estimate the parameters in real time and to perceive their evolution.

Future Work

 Better EDLCs models will be used to the online observation of the ageing of EDLCs.

(This work has already been presented at the IEEE IECON 2013 conference in Vienna in Nov. 2013)

Thank you for your attention!

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