ELEC-E8405 Electric Drives

Answer all five questions (in English, Finnish, or Swedish). No support materials are allowed. Using a calculator is allowed, but all memory must be cleared!

- 1. Describe the field-oriented control system for permanent-magnet synchronous motors. Draw also the block diagram of the control system, label the signals in the diagram, and describe the tasks of the blocks.
- 2. Answer briefly to the following questions:
 - (a) Why three-phase machines are preferred to single-phase AC machines?
 - (b) How the physical size of the motor approximately depends on the rated values of the motor?
 - (c) Why the antiwindup is used in PI controllers?
- 3. A DC motor with a separately excited field winding is considered. The rated armature voltage is $u_{\rm N} = 400$ V, rated torque $\tau_{\rm N} = 20$ Nm, rated speed $n_{\rm N} = 1\,000$ r/min, and maximum speed $n_{\rm max} = 3\,000$ r/min. The losses are omitted.
 - (a) The flux factor $k_{\rm f}$ is kept constant at its rated value. When the armature voltage is varied from 0 to $u_{\rm N}$, the speed varies from 0 to $n_{\rm N}$. Determine the rated armature current $i_{\rm N}$.
 - (b) A load is to be driven in the speed range from n_N to n_{max} by weakening the flux factor while the armature voltage is kept constant at u_N . Determine the torque available at maximum speed, if the rated current i_N is not exceeded.
 - (c) Sketch the armature voltage u, flux factor $k_{\rm f}$, torque $\tau_{\rm M}$, and mechanical power $p_{\rm M}$ as a function of the speed, when the armature current is kept at $i_{\rm N}$.
- 4. Consider a three-phase four-pole permanent-magnet synchronous motor. The stator inductance is $L_s = 0.035$ H and the stator resistance can be assumed to be zero. The permanent magnets induce the rated voltage of 400 V at the rotational speed of 1500 r/min. The rated current is 7.3 A. The control principle $i_d = 0$ is used. The motor is operated at the rated voltage and current. Calculate the rotational speed, torque, and mechanical power. Draw also the vector diagram.

5. A four-pole surface-mounted PM synchronous motor is fed from a current-controlled inverter. The shaft of the rotor is connected to a fan, whose load-torque profile $|\tau_L| = k\omega_M^2$ is quadratic. The current components are controlled in rotor coordinates. The d-axis current i_d is kept at zero, while two different pulses are applied on the q-axis current i_q , as shown in the figures below. Based on the waveforms, determine the total inertia J and the load-torque coefficient k. You may use assumptions, but justify them briefly.

[Hint: Determine first the PM flux constant ψ_{f} .]

