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# Capacitor virtual inertia control and equivalent inertia analysis for a grid-forming wind generation system

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A grid-forming wind generation system exhibits exceptional grid frequency support abilities. The DC capacitor of the grid-forming wind generation system, which is characterized by rapid response and high sensitivity to minor disturbances, can provide short-term inertia support for the power system. This paper proposes the capacitor virtual inertia control for the grid-forming wind generation system, coupling the DC capacitor voltage with the power system frequency, which enables the DC capacitor to participate in the system frequency response process and reduces the rate of change of the system frequency during the disturbance. To analyze the inertia of the wind power generation system, this paper establishes an equivalent Philips–Heffron model for the grid-forming wind generation system and uses the equivalent inertia constant to quantify the inertia of the wind power generation system. The effectiveness of the proposed control strategy and the reasonableness of the inertia assessment method are verified through simulations in the single-turbine system and the IEEE four-machine two-area system.

#### KEYWORDS

wind generation system, grid-forming control, capacitor virtual inertia control, system frequency response, Philips—Heffron model, equivalent inertia

# **1** Introduction

To address the escalating energy crisis and environmental pollution, the power industry is undergoing a transformation toward high integration of renewable energies and power converters Xiong et al. (2020). According to the Global Wind Energy Council, global wind power capacity additions in 2023 will be 118 GW, a 36% year-on-year increase. Among renewable energies, full-power wind turbines provide less inertia to the power grid Wu et al. (2017). With the increasing proportion of wind power, the power system frequency security faces a serious challenge. Therefore, the grid codes explicitly require wind farms to have inertial response ability.

Currently, the mainstream types of wind generation are mainly doubly-fed induction generation and permanent-magnet synchronous generator (D-PMSG)-based directly driven wind generation. D-PMSG has better grid compatibility and greater speed range due to the introduction of a full-power converter that completely isolates the generator from the grid. Consequently, it has better wind condition adaptability and is widely used in the power system. The control methods for grid-tied converters of wind generation systems are categorized into grid-following (GFL) control and grid-forming (GFM) control.

The GFM control is favored by scholars due to the advantages of not needing phase-locked loop synchronization and being able to provide inertia and damping to the power system Xiong et al. (2019).

In wind generation systems, there are several sources of inertia. The wind turbine rotor, energy storage module, and DC capacitor within the system contribute to the inertia of the wind generation system. Focusing on the GFM control of the wind generation system, scholars have compared various virtual synchronization and inertia control methods and pointed out that the voltage source type control represented by virtual synchronous generator (VSG) control can make the wind generation system have good adaptability in the weak grid Bhende et al. (2011) Yazdi et al. (2019). Zhong et al. (2015) applied the VSG control to the full-power converter in which the rotor-side converter (RSC) is used to achieve DC-side voltage stabilization and the grid-side converter (GSC) is used to achieve maximum wind power tracking, while the disadvantage is that the wind turbine cannot respond to the system frequency. Wang et al. (2015) utilized grid voltage to obtain the voltage reference, directly synthesized the rotor excitation voltage, and provided current limited control using a virtual resistor. Muftau et al. (2020) used constant voltage control for RSC and VSG control for the GSC, which realizes the GFM control of wind generation and maintains DC voltage stabilization, but the disadvantage is that the DC capacitor of the wind generation system cannot provide inertia support for the power system. de Oliveira et al. (2023) used droop control to maintain DC voltage stabilization of the RSC by using torque and power as control objectives. Rodríguez-Amenedo et al. (2021) proposed a control method based on rotor magnetic chain orientation, where the magnetic chain phase angle and amplitude reference are obtained through the torque synchronization link and the voltage droop link, respectively. So it can acquire the rotor excitation voltage control reference, and finally the generator's internal potential is established to realize GFM control, while the disadvantage of this method is that the fan cannot provide inertia support for the power system. Yazdi et al. (2023) analyzed the coupling relationship between the power angle and rotor speed to elucidate rotor instability characteristics and the influence of control parameters and proposed a D-PMSG GFM frequency-supported control strategy considering rotor stability constraints, which enhanced system frequency stability under various disturbances. Meng et al. (2023) presented a cooperative control scheme for wind farms, along with GFM energy storage devices installed on the AC side. This scheme aims to endow the combined system of renewable energy and energy storage with a voltage source effect, enhancing system damping and inertia. Avazov et al. (2022) proposed an active damping support control strategy. This strategy activates the wind turbine power controller when the DC voltage fluctuation exceeds the designated threshold, subsequently enhancing system damping by using turbine-side resources.

To address the inertial response problem of wind power systems, a GFM control method for D-PMSG-based wind generation system was proposed in Davari and Mohamed (2016). The GSC achieves self-synchronization through DC voltage control, and the RSC employs additional inertia transfer control. However, this method exhibits limited performance in weak grid conditions. Thakallapelli et al. (2019) achieved inertial synchronization control by controlling the DC voltage of the GSC, enabling the wind turbine system to behave as a virtual voltage source for the power grid. Lai et al. (2017) demonstrated the potential of integrating flywheel energy storage on the DC side of the D-PMSG, where the DC bus voltage control of the flywheel aids in realizing virtual synchronous control for the GSC during grid connection. This not only enhances the system inertia response but also ensures DC bus voltage stability. Sang et al. (2021) configured flywheel energy storage on the DC side of the D-PMSG in which the flywheel energy storage adopts DC bus voltage control during gridtied operation, the GSC realizes virtual synchronous control, and finally it realizes the purposes of improving the system inertia response ability, smoothing the active power of the wind generation system, and maintaining DC voltage stability. Pazmiño et al. (2021) proposed a novel approach to energy storage GFM frequency active support control. This approach combines constant frequency control with frequency modulation state transfer control, thereby departing from traditional control methods such as virtual inertia and primary frequency modulation. He et al. (2024) developed a system frequency response model incorporating a wind turbine with integrated inertia control. The study derives an analytical equation for the effective inertia time constant in the wind turbine frequency modulation process and assesses its inertia support capacity.

In this paper, a GFM control method for the D-PMSG-based wind generation system is proposed, where the DC capacitor voltage is coupled with the system frequency, enabling the DC capacitor to participate in the system frequency response process. The remainder of this manuscript is structured as follows: Section 2 introduces the basic GFM control strategy of the D-PMSG-based wind generation system. Section 3 introduces the proposed capacitor virtual inertia control. Section 4 presents the equivalent Philips-Heffron model of the wind power system and analyzes the equivalent inertia of the system. Finally, Section 5 verifies the sophistication and effectiveness of the proposed control method.

### 2 GFM control strategy for the D-PMSG-based wind generation system

The specific structure of the D-PMSG-based wind generation system is shown in Figure 1, which consists of the wind turbine, D-PMSG, and back-to-back converter. The RSC maintains DC capacitor voltage stabilization, and the GSC controls the magnitude and frequency of the voltage tied to the grid.

### 2.1 Modeling of the wind turbine

The mechanical power of a D-PMSG-based wind generation system Liu et al. (2016) can be expressed as

$$\begin{cases} P_{\rm wm} = \frac{1}{2} \rho \pi R_{\rm w}^2 C_{\rm p} \left(\lambda, \beta\right) v_{\rm m}^3 \\ C_{\rm p} \left(\lambda, \beta\right) = 0.5176 \left(\frac{116}{\lambda_1} - 0.4\beta - 5\right) e^{\frac{-21}{\lambda_1}} + 0.0068\lambda \\ \frac{1}{\lambda_1} = \frac{1}{\lambda + 0.08\beta} - \frac{0.035}{\beta^3 + 1} \\ \lambda = \frac{\omega_{\rm w} R_{\rm w}}{v_{\rm w}} \end{cases}$$
(1)



FIGURE 2 Constant voltage control strategy of the RSC

where  $P_{\rm wm}$  is the mechanical power of the wind turbine;  $\rho$  is the air density;  $R_{\rm w}$  is the blade radius of the wind turbine;  $\lambda$  is the tip speed radio of the wind turbine;  $C_{\rm p}$  is the wind energy utilization factor;  $\beta$  is the pitch angle of the wind turbine;  $\omega_{\rm w}$  is the angular velocity of the wind turbine;  $v_{\rm w}$  is the inlet wind speed.

In (1), it is clear that  $P_{\rm wm}$  is influenced by  $C_{\rm p}$ , and  $C_{\rm p}$  is the function of  $\lambda$  and  $\beta$ . When  $\beta$  increases,  $C_{\rm p}$  decreases. At the same time, there exists a unique  $\lambda$  that maximizes  $C_{\rm p}$  when  $\beta$  is the same, and when  $R_{\rm w}$  and  $v_{\rm w}$  are constant values,  $\lambda$  is in direct proportion to  $\omega_{\rm w}$ . So, for each  $v_{\rm w}$ , there is a  $\omega_{\rm w}$  corresponding to the maximum  $P_{\rm wm}$ . Therefore, to obtain the maximum power and wind energy utilization factor, the rotational speed of the wind turbine must be adjusted according to the wind speed correspondingly.

### 2.2 RSC control strategy

For the conventional GFM wind generation system, the GSC adopts a constant capacitor voltage control to ensure the stability of the DC capacitor voltage  $U_{\rm dc}$ , as shown in Figure 2.

The generator stator phase voltage can be expressed as

$$U_{\rm s} = \omega_{\rm s} \sqrt{\left(L_{\rm sq} i_{\rm sq}\right)^2 + \varphi_{\rm f}^2},\tag{2}$$

where  $\omega_s$  is the rotor angular frequency;  $L_{sq}$  is the stator q-axis inductance;  $i_{sq}$  is the stator current q-axis component;  $\varphi_f$  is the stator magnetic chain.

The electromagnetic torque and active power of D-PMSG are only related to  $i_{sq}$ . Therefore, adjusting  $i_{sd}$  does not affect the active power output of the wind turbine. In vector control, the d-axis

current  $i_{sd}$  usually has the value of 0, to hence using all of the current to generate electromagnetic torque.

### 2.3 GSC control strategy

The GSC adopts virtual synchronous generator (VSG) control that can support the frequency and magnitude of the grid voltage Xiong et al. (2015), as shown in Figure 3.

The VSG control is composed of two primary components: P-f control and Q-U control. The former introduces the concept of virtual inertia in the GSC by simulating the rotor motion equations of the synchronous machine. The P-f control equation for the VSG control of the GSC is

$$2H\frac{\mathrm{d}\omega}{\mathrm{d}t} = P_0 - P - D\left(\omega - \omega_0\right),\tag{3}$$

where *H* is the inertia time constant; *D* is virtual damping;  $\omega$  is the grid angular velocity;  $\omega_0$  is the grid rated angular velocity; *P* is the grid-side output power; *P*<sub>0</sub> is the power command value.

The Q-U control obtains the command value of the output voltage magnitude by simulating the reactive power droop characteristic of the synchronous machine. The Q-U control equation for VSG control of the GSC is

$$U_{\rm ref} = U_0 + K_q (Q_0 - Q),$$
 (4)

where  $U_{ref}$  is the commanded value of the grid-side voltage;  $U_0$  is the rated value of the grid-side voltage;  $K_q$  is the Q-U control coefficient; Q is the grid-side reactive power;  $Q_0$  is the reference value of reactive power.





The GSC adopts VSG control to realize the wind generation system externally, being the voltage source characteristics, and effectively support the grid-side voltage and frequency.

# 3 Capacitor virtual inertia control

## 3.1 Control strategy

The GSC of the conventional GFM control for D-PMSG utilizes constant capacitor voltage control, where the entirety of inertia support is sourced from the wind turbine rotor. To enable the DC capacitor to contribute to the frequency response, this manuscript proposes a novel capacitor virtual inertia (CVI) control, illustrated in Figure 4.

This control strategy adds an auxiliary voltage regulation command to the constant voltage control loop, changing the reference voltage from  $U_{dc0}$  to  $U_{dcref}$ , i.e.,

$$U_{\rm dcref} = U_{\rm dc0} + \Delta U = U_{\rm dc0} + k_{\rm c} \Delta \omega, \tag{5}$$

where  $k_c$  is the regulation coefficient;  $\Delta \omega$  is the angular frequency deviation;  $U_{dc0}$  is the initial value of the capacitor voltage;  $\Delta U$  is the capacitor voltage deviation.

The CVI control couples the DC capacitor voltage to the grid frequency deviation. When the grid is disturbed, the proposed

control can make the DC capacitor provide the inertia support, thus reducing the rate of change of frequency.

## 3.2 Capacitor equivalent inertia analysis

Normally, constant capacitor voltage control is implemented to keep the DC capacitor voltage stable, but it does not integrate the capacitor into the frequency response. As a result, under constant voltage control, the equivalent inertia provided by the capacitor is negligible. However, with the introduction of CVI control in the RSC, the interplay between capacitor voltage and grid frequency allows the capacitor to contribute to inertia support, thereby enhancing equivalent inertia. The analysis process is detailed below.

During steady-state operation, the energy stored by the capacitor is

$$E_{\rm ck} = \int C_{\rm dc} U_{\rm dc} {\rm d}U_{\rm dc} = \frac{1}{2} C_{\rm dc} U_{\rm dc}^2, \tag{6}$$

where  $C_{\rm dc}$  is the DC capacitor value and  $U_{\rm dc}$  is the DC capacitor voltage.

When the DC capacitor responds to the frequency deviation, the electric energy deviation of the capacitor is given by

$$\Delta E_{\rm ck} = \frac{1}{2} C_{\rm dc} \left[ \left( U_{\rm dc0} + \Delta U_{\rm dc} \right)^2 - U_{\rm dc0}^2 \right] \\ = \frac{1}{2} C_{\rm dc}' \left[ \left( \omega_0 + \Delta \omega \right)^2 - \omega_0^2 \right], \tag{7}$$

where  $C'_{dc}$  is the equivalent capacitor under virtual inertia control. The value of the equivalent capacitor is

$$C'_{\rm dc} = C_{\rm dc} \frac{\left(2U_{\rm dc0} + \Delta U_{\rm dc}\right)\Delta U_{\rm dc}}{\left(2\omega_0 + \Delta\omega\right)\Delta\omega} \approx C_{\rm dc} \frac{\Delta U_{\rm dc}U_{\rm dc0}}{\Delta\omega\omega_0}.$$
(8)

Define the equivalent adjustment coefficient  $k'_c$  as

$$k_{\rm c}' = \Delta U_{\rm dc} U_{\rm dc0} / \Delta \omega \omega_0. \tag{9}$$

The relationship between  $k_c'$  and  $k_c$  is

$$k_{\rm c}' = k_{\rm c} U_{\rm dc0} / \omega_0. \tag{10}$$

Under CVI control, the equivalent inertia time constant of the capacitor is

$$H_{c} = \frac{C_{dc}^{\prime} U_{dc0}^{2}}{2S_{B}} = \frac{\Delta U_{dc} C_{dc} U_{dc0}^{3}}{2\Delta \omega \omega_{0} S_{B}} = \frac{k_{c} C_{dc} U_{dc0}^{3}}{2\omega_{0} S_{B}} = \frac{k_{c}^{\prime} C_{dc} U_{dc0}^{2}}{2S_{B}}$$

$$= k_{c}^{\prime} H_{c}^{\prime}, \qquad (11)$$

where  $S_{\rm B}$  is the rated capacity of the wind turbine and  $H_{\rm c}'$  is the capacitor inertia time constant.

Eq 11 reveals that under CVI control, the dynamic regulation range of the DC capacitor is significantly broader and its inertia characteristics not only depend on its value but also on the regulation coefficient kc and the steady-state operating point. To exemplify, Figure 5 depicts the interdependence between the capacitor equivalent inertia time constant  $H_c$ , DC capacitor  $C_{dc}$ , regulation coefficient  $k_c$ , and the steady-state operating point  $U_{dc0}$ in a grid rated at 300 kW.

Figure 5 illustrates that under CVI control, the equivalent inertia provided by the capacitor is related to multiple parameters, and the equivalent inertia can be greater than its inherent inertia. The proposed control enables the capacitor to provide the energy required for the frequency response of the grid.

# 4 Wind power system equivalent inertia analysis

#### 4.1 Philips–Heffron model of the power system with GFM wind generation

In the preceding section, this manuscript proposed a GFM control strategy for the wind generation system that employs CVI control for RSC and VSG control for the GSC. To investigate the equivalent inertia of the entire power system with the wind generation controlled by the proposed GFM strategy, an equivalent Philips–Heffron model is developed, as illustrated in Figure 6.

Under the CVI control, the mathematical expression of the equivalent Philips–Heffron model of the entire power system with wind generation controlled by the proposed GFM strategy is as follows:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{d\Delta\delta}{dt} = \omega_0 \Delta\omega \\ T_J \frac{d\Delta\omega}{dt} = -T_D \Delta\omega - T_s \Delta\delta \end{cases}$$
(12)

According to (12),  $T_{\rm J}$  is the equivalent inertial time constant, increasing  $T_{\rm J}$  can reduce the frequency rate of system during





disturbances.  $T_{\rm D}$  is the equivalent damping time constant, increasing  $T_{\rm D}$  reduces the frequency deviation of the system during disturbances.  $T_{\rm S}$  is the equivalent synchronization time constant, reflecting the self-synchronization capability of the GFM D-PMSG.

$$\begin{cases} T_{\rm J} = 2(H + H_c) = \frac{1}{S_{\rm B}} \left( J\omega_0^2 + \frac{k_c C_{\rm dc} U_{\rm dc0}^3}{\omega_0} \right) \\ T_{\rm D} = D \\ T_{\rm S} = \frac{3}{2} \frac{U_s U_g}{X} \cos \delta_0 \end{cases} , \qquad (13)$$

where  $U_{\rm s}$  is the converter side voltage,  $U_{\rm g}$  is the grid-side voltage, X is the system impedance, and  $\delta_0$  is the rated power angle.

According to (13),  $T_{\rm J}$  is intricately linked to both the VSG control equivalent inertia time constant H and the capacitor equivalent inertia time constant  $H_c$ , wherein H depends on the VSG control parameter in the GSC and its energy support source is the rotor;  $H_c$  is determined by the proposed CVI control parameter, and its energy source is the DC capacitor.  $T_{\rm D}$  depends on the virtual damping parameter D in the VSG control.  $T_{\rm S}$  depends on the electrical parameters of the converter and the grid.

### 4.2 Analysis of factors affecting the equivalent inertia of D-PMSG

According to the equivalent Philips–Heffron model of the entire power system with the wind generation controlled by the proposed GFM strategy, the composite equivalent inertia is composed of two distinct components. In the subsequent analysis, we will delve into the individual influencing factors of  $H_c$  and H.

#### 4.2.1 Equivalent capacitor inertia time constant

According to 11, the equivalent inertia time constant  $H_c$  under virtual inertia regulation is related to the regulation coefficient  $k_c$ , the DC capacitor capacity  $C_{dc}$ , the initial DC capacitor voltage  $U_{dc0}$ , and the rated capacity of the wind turbine  $S_B$ .

- 1. The larger the adjustment coefficient  $k_c$  is, the larger the equivalent inertial time constant is. It can be seen from 5 that with the increase of  $k_c$ , the voltage deviation  $\Delta U_{\rm dc}$  of the DC capacitor also increases gradually. Since the converter is limited by voltage, the DC capacitor voltage should be greater than 1.23  $U_{\rm g}$ . Consequently, excessive voltage deviation is prohibited, constraining the viable range for selecting the adjustment coefficient  $k_c$ .
- 2. An increase in  $C_{dc}$  leads to a larger  $H_c$ , but practical considerations limit the choice: a larger capacitor implies larger and more expensive components. Although the supercapacitors' value can reach the farad level, the economy is poor in engineering application. Moreover, the larger the capacitor value, the lower the capacitor voltage, and the reduction in voltage leads to a reduction in the equivalent inertia time constant.
- Higher U<sub>dc0</sub> contributes to a larger H<sub>c</sub>. However, in operational scenarios, it is crucial to maintain a reasonable initial voltage to prevent converter overvoltage, which can disrupt normal functioning and cause economic losses.
- 4. A smaller  $S_{\rm B}$  value increases the  $H_{\rm c}$ . However, in the case of the selected wind turbine, the rated capacity  $S_{\rm B}$  is a fixed value.

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Parameter	Value	Parameter	Value
S <sub>B</sub>	300 kW	$J_{ m VSG}$	$4.05 \text{ kg} \cdot \text{m}^2$
$U_{ m dc0}$	1800 V	$D_{ m VSG}$	75.99
$f_0$	50 Hz	С	20 mF
$P_{\rm load}$	200 kW	R <sub>s</sub>	0.001 Ω
$\Delta P_{\text{load}}$	15 kW	L	3 mF

# 4.2.2 Equivalent inertial time constant of VSG control

The VSG control mechanism facilitates the converter's participation in the frequency response by emulating synchronous machine dynamics. Its equivalent inertia constant, H, can be adjusted by changing the control parameters. However, it is important to note that the inertia support power derived from the rotors of the wind turbine comes at the expense of rotor speed during disturbances. Consequently, the inertia parameters of VSG control need to be reasonably set according to the actual situation and can not only consider the need to increase the gird inertia, while ignoring the frequency response costs.

## **5** Verification

### 5.1 Single-turbine grid-connected system

To verify the effectiveness of the proposed CVI control and the correctness of the equivalent Philips–Heffron model, a simulation model of the single D-PMSG wind generation system, as shown in Figure 1, is constructed in MATLAB/Simulink. The main parameters of the simulation model are given in Table 1.

The simulation model is built according to the control strategy described in Sections 2, 3, with CVI control for the RSC and VSG control for the GSC. Under the initial conditions, the local load at the grid side is 200 kW, and the 15 kW additional disturbance is introduced at 10 s. The system frequency waveforms and DC capacitor voltage waveforms of CVI control and constant voltage control are compared, as shown in Figure 7.

The system frequency waveforms under CVI control and constant voltage control are depicted in Figure 7A. The rate of change of the system frequency is smaller under CVI control, indicating that the proposed control increases the equivalent inertia. The steady-state frequency under both controls remains at 49.9 Hz. This consistency arises because the system inertia affects only the transient characteristics of the frequency without influencing its steady-state behavior. Additionally, the system frequency waveform under CVI control is lower than that under constant voltage control from 10.2 s to 11.2 s, corresponding to the overshooting of the DC capacitor voltage under CVI control. This occurs because the DC capacitor undergoes a discharging process to provide inertial support power to the system during the initial stage of the disturbance, necessitating a subsequent charging process.



Figure 7B illustrates the DC capacitor voltage waveforms under both control strategies. When a load disturbance occurs, the DC capacitor voltage under constant voltage control has only a small fluctuation and recovers to 1800 V quickly. In contrast, the DC capacitor voltage under CVI control drops from 1800 V to 1600 V and subsequently keeps stabilizing due to the coupling between the DC capacitor voltage and the system frequency deviation. This dynamic behavior under CVI control has provided inertia support for the power system and enhanced the equivalent inertia of the power system.

To verify the specific impact of CVI control on frequency dynamics, the system frequency and DC capacitor voltage waveforms are conducted under the same operating condition at different regulation coefficients  $k_c$ . The results are shown in Figure 8.

Figure 8A shows that the rate of change of the frequency decreases with the increase of the regulation coefficient  $k_c$ , indicating that the stronger the coupling between the regulated DC capacitor voltage and the frequency deviation of the system, the larger the equivalent inertia provided by the CVI control to the system. In addition, the overshooting of the frequency waveform between 10.2 s and 11.2 s also increases with the increase in the regulation coefficient  $k_c$  because the overshooting of the DC capacitor voltage drop process becomes larger with the increase in the regulation coefficient  $k_c$ , and more energy is required in the charging process before it reaches the steady state. The DC capacitor voltage waveforms under different regulation coefficients  $k_c$  are shown in Figure 8B, and it reveals that the larger the



regulation coefficient  $k_c$  is, the more inertia-supporting power is provided by the DC capacitor, corresponding to a larger voltage drop.

### 5.2 Multi-machine system

The IEEE four-machine two-area (4M2A) system is a commonly used theoretical model in the power system to study the power transmission and control between neighboring regions in a power system. To further verify the correctness and effectiveness of the control method proposed in this paper, an IEEE 4M2A simulation model with a wind generation system is constructed, as shown in Figure 9.

Area 1 consists of two synchronous generators SG1 and SG2 and stational load, whereas area 2 consists of synchronous generator SG3, D-PMSG single-turbine system replacing synchronous machine SG4, and variable load where PCC is the wind generator merging point. Initially, the load demand is 225 MW, with a variable load of 119.5 MW. At 40 s, a sudden disturbance of 50 MW is imposed on the variable load. The comparative analysis of system frequency and DC capacitor voltage waveforms under CVI and fixed-voltage control conditions is shown in Figure 10.

Figure 10A shows that in the multi-machine power system, the rate of change of system frequency is smaller under CVI control, indicating that this control increases the equivalent inertia of the wind power system. However, due to the relatively slow frequency response process of the synchronizer in the system, there is a small recovery when the system frequency drops to





its lowest point. The DC capacitor voltage waveform is shown in Figure 10B, where the capacitor voltage remains stable under constant voltage control, while the DC capacitor voltage drops to about 1300 V under CVI control to provide inertia support to the power system.

In summary, analysis of simulation results for both the singleturbine and 4M2A systems under CVI control demonstrates its superiority over constant voltage control. CVI control facilitates the DC capacitor responsiveness to system frequency changes, effectively delaying system frequency decrease. This response aligns with the demands of the frequency response, providing the system with a reasonable level of inertia support.

# 6 Conclusion

This paper proposes a CVI control strategy for the GFM wind generation system and employs the Philips–Heffron model to analyze the equivalent inertia of the entire power system with the wind generation controlled by the proposed GFM strategy. The corresponding single-turbine test system and 4M2A test system are constructed to carry out the simulation validation. The main conclusions are as follows:

- 1. The CVI control effectively couples the DC capacitor voltage to the grid frequency deviation. When the power grid is disturbed, the CVI control can make the DC capacitor participate in the frequency response, provide the inertia support for the power grid, and reduce the rate of change of frequency.
- 2. The equivalent Philips–Heffron model was established to analyze the equivalent inertia of the entire power system with the wind generation controlled by the proposed GFM strategy.
- 3. The single-turbine and 4M2A test system models are constructed to verify the effectiveness of the proposed GFM control strategy and the correctness of the inertia analysis results.

# Data availability statement

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