

Least mean sixth control approach for three-phase three-wire grid-integrated PV system

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ABSTRACT

This work proposes an adaptive filter based on a new least mean sixth control approach with incremental conductance method of MPP for 3-phase grid-incorporated photovoltaic (PV) system. The proposed system comprises a PV array, 3-phase DC to AC converter, maximum power point tracker (MPPT), three-phase electronic load, and a 3-phase grid. The combination of solar PV array and the voltage source converter (VSC) supplies power to the grid. The 3-phase inverter as a distribution static synchronous compensator (D-STATCOM) improves the quality of the system performance in case of zero solar irradiation. D-STATCOM also reduces total harmonic distortion (THD) in grid currents, improves power factor, and maintains a constant voltage at the point of common coupling (PCC). The system modelling and simulation is achieved on MATLAB/Simulink. The proposed system performance has been found satisfactory and conform to IEEE-519 standards.

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NOMENCLATURE

W_{pa}, W_{pb}, W_{pc}	: Weights of fundamental active Components of load currents	e_a, e_b, e_c	: Adaptive active components of errors
W_{sp}, W_g	: Total weights of fundamental active component, Equivalent weights of fundamental active component	i_{sa}, i_{sb}, i_{sc}	: Sensed grid currents
x_{pa}, x_{pb}, x_{pc}	: In phase unit templates of voltages at point of common coupling (PCC)	$i_{sa}^*, i_{sb}^*, i_{sc}^*$: Reference grid currents
W_{pv}, W_c	: Weights of feed forward SPV power, active loss components	μ_n	: Adaptation constants of VSC
I_{pv}, V_{pv}, P_{pv}	: PV current, PV voltage, PV power	I_{mp}, V_{mp}, P_{mp}	: Peak current, voltage and power of the PV module
V_t	: Terminal Voltage at point of common coupling (PCC)	I_{sc}, V_{oc}	: Short circuit current and open circuit voltage of the PV module
$V_{dc}, V_{dc}^*, V_{dcn}$: DC-link voltage, reference value and DC-Link voltage error	I_o, R_s, R_p	: Reverse saturation current of diode, series and shunt resistance of the basic PV module
L_f, R_f, C_f	: Interfacing inductance, resistance and capacitance of RC filter		

1. INTRODUCTION

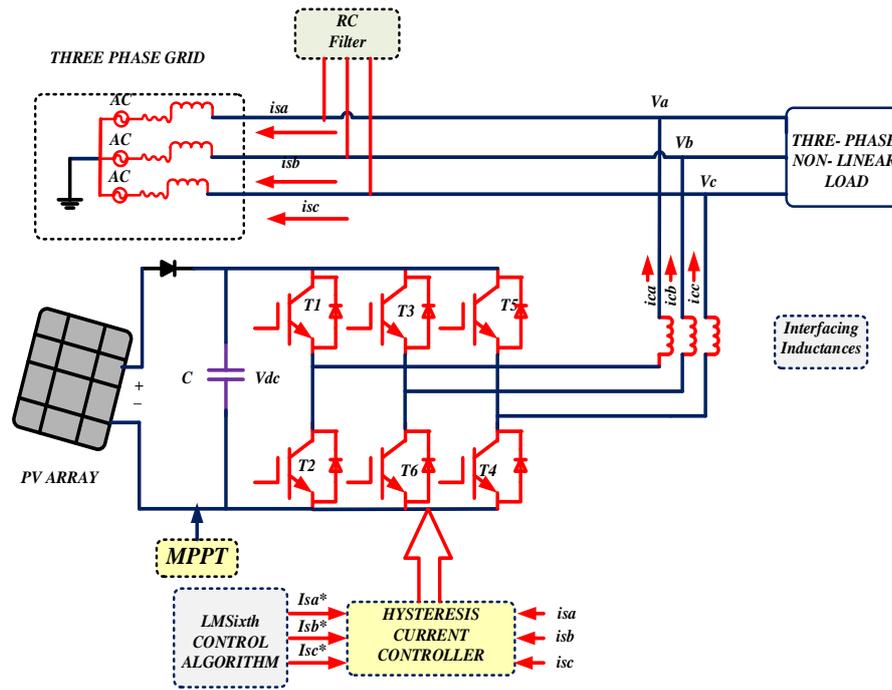
Due to an increase in power electronics load, three-phase electrical distribution systems are facing serious power quality complications such as load unbalancing, high harmonic currents, more reactive power flow, and poor voltage regulation. Besides, higher penetration of renewable energy further affects the power supply quality, and thereby, voltage levels are adversely affected. Therefore, voltage regulation has become an issue of greater importance in grid integration [1]-[3]. The PV array, along with the D-STATCOM converts the DC into AC, improves the power quality by minimizing harmonic distortions, compensates the required reactive power, and maintain a balance of power in all phases of electrical system [4]. It is also exchanging real power when the D-STATCOM is provided with an external dc source [5]-[8]. A D-STATCOM requires an efficient control technique for robust operation and for what various control algorithms is used, which generates pulses for switches of inverter. These pulses are generated through a hysteresis current controller where sensed currents are compared with the reference currents [9]. The principal aim of the control is to meet the load demand by taking array power and to supply remaining power to the 3-phase grid. If the generated solar PV power is insufficient for load, extra required power can be taken from the network in order to meet the load demand. In addition, control algorithms also offer mitigation of power quality (PQ) problems such as harmonic filtering, reactive power compensation, load balancing, poor voltage regulation, and power factor correction [10], [11].

Numerous control algorithms are used for the efficient operation of D-STATCOM, such as synchronous rotating frame (SRF) control, instantaneous reactive power theory (IRPT), and adaptive based control algorithm. The dq0 transformation based SRF control is a most common algorithm as it performs quite well unity power factor operation [12], [13]. However, in this control technique, the second harmonic component is prevailing due to load unbalances causes performance slow down. So, a low pass filter is used for mitigating second-order harmonic components. Other traditional controls have more response time and slow convergence due to the complex block, including abc-dq transformation [14], [15].

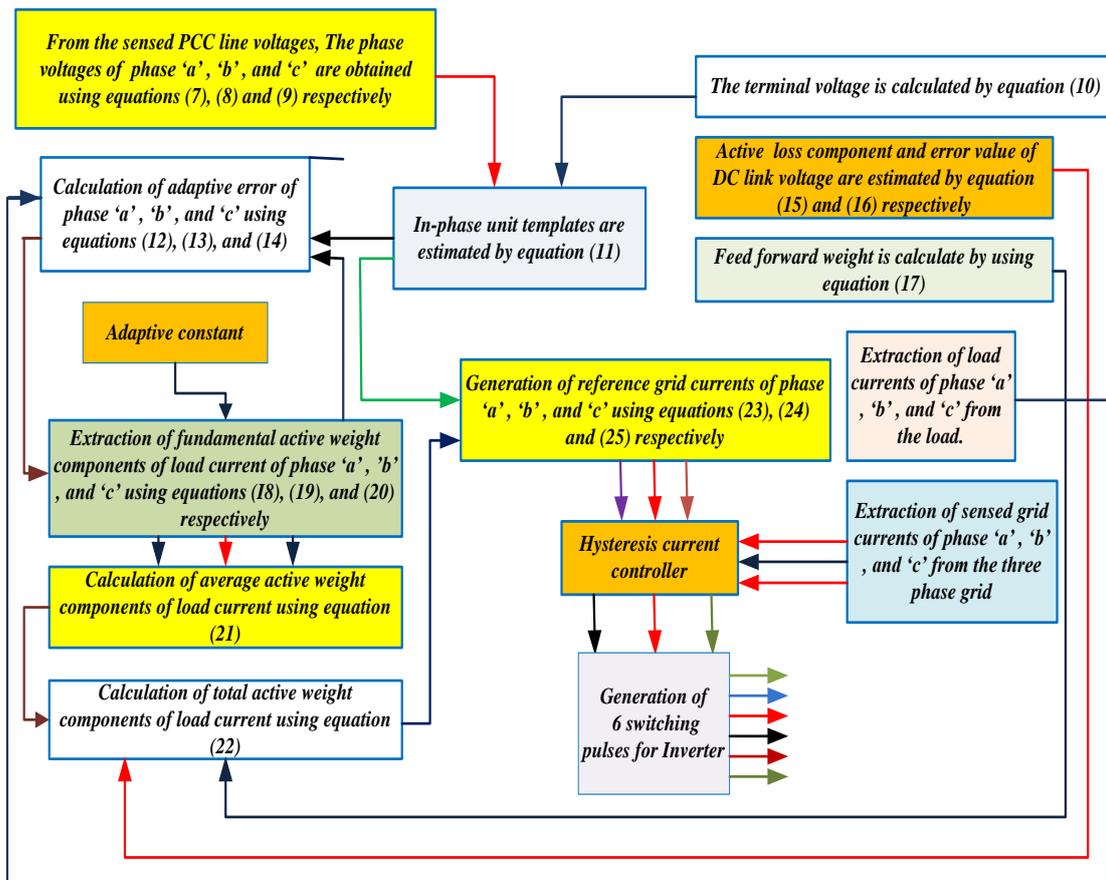
Adaptive filter theory exposes its power to track the atmospheric changes and characteristics of the unknown system. The filter parameters are self-adjusted during the changing environmental conditions that the filter behavior and surrounding conditions are kept to serve its purpose [16]-[19]. There are various adaptive controls that have been developed and available in the literature, such as recursive least square (RLS), least mean square (LMS). Among all of them, the LMS and its variants are highly popular for their fast convergence speed and stability. It is a simple and fundamental adaptive filter based control on getting the desired result. The main function of LMS control is to extract accurate pulse and to minimize the error for the efficient operation of D-STATCOM. LMS control with D-STATCOM improves current related quality problems such as harmonics in grid currents, load balancing of non-linear load, voltage regulation. On the other hand, the drawbacks of the LMS method are that when excitation is not present at the input, this algorithm is failed to stabilize. As a result, it produces unbounded parameter estimation and error, which put down the system performance and create numerical problems. Moreover, because of the low input signal, the LMS control algorithm also experiences stalling. Therefore, a leakage factor is added to this algorithm to diminish stalling while stabilizing the system at the same time and to give fast convergence response [20]-[23]. The proposed system, along with the least mean sixth control and single-stage topology, shown in Figure 1 (a), Figure 1 (b) is showing the block diagram of the proposed control algorithm showing how the reference grid currents are generated and then the reference grid currents and the sensed grid currents are compared using hysteresis controller to generate output gate pulses for the efficient switching of the inverter.

The proposed system provides several advantages over other topologies.

- The least mean sixth control algorithm is a modified form of LMS algorithm. It involves higher order (fifth) error term in the weight updating equation. Owing to higher-order optimization, the proposed control offers reduced mean square error (MSE) and thereby offering reduced THD and faster convergence rate.
- The least mean sixth control with the PV system offers lesser noise in their weights in comparison with the conventional LMS control.
- The system offers greater efficiency due to one stage converter topology [13], i.e., although double stage topology has the advantage of flexibility in controller designing, it also has some deficiencies. With more circuit stages, the power loss raises, this decreases the system efficiency. Moreover, more stages increase the complexity of the system and thereby reduce the reliability of the system. Thus, the one-stage topology has been used.



(a)



(b)

Figure 1. These figures are; (a) general block diagram of proposed system, (b) block diagram of the proposed least mean sixth control algorithm

2. SYSTEM MODELING

2.1. Modeling of 21 KW PV array

Here parameters of KC200GT PV array modeled at [25] °C and 1000 W/m² are taken as basic PV module [24], [25] shown in Table 1.

Table 1. Parameters of KC200GT PV array modeled at [25] °C and 1000 W/m²

I_{mp}	7.61 A	I_{sc}	8.61 A
V_{mp}	26.3 V	V_{oc}	32.9 V
P_{mp}	200.143 W	I_o	$9.82 \cdot 10^{-8}$ A
R_s	415.405 ohm	R_p	0.221 ohm

Number of series units (N_s) is calculated as [13].

$$N_s = \left(\frac{V_{pv}}{V_{mp}} \right) = \frac{700}{26.3} = 26.62 = 27 \text{ module} \quad (1)$$

Number of parallel units is calculated as [13].

$$N_p = \frac{(P_{pv}/V_{pv})}{I_{mp}} = \frac{(21000/700)}{7.61} = 3.94 = 4 \text{ module} \quad (2)$$

2.2. DC-link voltage (V_{dc})

The minimum value of V_{dc} must be kept more than double the maximum phase voltage. So, the value of DC link voltage is chosen as 700 volts.

$$V_{dc} = (2\sqrt{2} * V_{LL}/\sqrt{3} * m = (2\sqrt{2} * 415)/\sqrt{3} * 1 = 677.69 \text{ V} \quad (3)$$

2.3. Inductor

The value of interfacing inductance for phase leg is chosen as 2.5 mH.

$$L_f = (\sqrt{3}m * V_{dc})/(12f_s I_r) (\sqrt{3} * 1 * 700) / (12 * 1.2 * 10000 * .09 * 41.32) = 2.26 \text{ mH} \quad (4)$$

Where the grid current estimated as,

$$I = \left(\frac{P_{pv}}{\sqrt{3} * V_n} \right) = \frac{21000}{1.732 * 415} = 29.21 \text{ Amp} \quad (5)$$

So, peak grid current, $I_p = \sqrt{2} * 29.21 = 41.31 \text{ Amp}$

2.4. Ripple filter and DC link capacitor

The chosen value of capacitor and resistance of the RC filter are 10 uF, 5 ohm, respectively as taken from [13]. Here, 4600 uF as capacitance is chosen to stabilize Vdc during disturbances. The calculated value gives better result.

$$(P_{pv}/V_{dc})/(2 * \omega * V_{dcr}) = (21000/700)/(2 * 314 * .02 * 700) = 3412.2 \text{ uF} \quad (6)$$

3. CONTROL STRATEGY

The proposed system utilizes two controls for different purposes. The incremental conductance method is to extract maximum irradiation from the PV system, and the adaptive based least mean sixth control is to produce gating pulses for the inverter. The significant equations used for the control algorithm are described as shown in.

$$V_{sa} = \frac{(V_{sab} + V_{sbc})}{3} \quad (7)$$

$$V_{sb} = \frac{(-V_{sab} + V_{sbc})}{3} \quad (8)$$

$$V_{sc} = \frac{(-V_{sab} - 2V_{sbc})}{3} \quad (9)$$

$$V_t = \sqrt{2/3(v_{sa}^2 + v_{sb}^2 + v_{sc}^2)} \quad (10)$$

$$x_{pa} = \frac{v_{sa}}{V_t}, x_{pb} = \frac{v_{sb}}{V_t}, x_{pc} = \frac{v_{sc}}{V_t} \quad (11)$$

$$e_a(n) = I_{La}(n) - x_{pa}(n) * W_{pa}(n) \quad (12)$$

$$e_b(n) = I_{ba}(n) - x_{pb}(n) * W_{pb}(n) \quad (13)$$

$$e_c(n) = I_{La}(n) - x_{pc}(n) * W_{pc}(n) \quad (14)$$

$$W_c(n+1)W_c(n) + K_p\{V_{dcn}(n+1) - V_{dcn}(n) + K_i V_{dcn}(n+1)\} \quad (15)$$

$$V_{dcn}(n) = V_{dc}^*(n) - V_{dc}(n) \quad (16)$$

$$W_{pv}(n) = \frac{2P_{pv}(n)}{3V_t} \quad (17)$$

$$W_{pa}(n+1) = W_{pa}(n) + \mu_n x_{pa}(n) * (e_a(n))^5 \quad (18)$$

$$W_{pb}(n+1) = W_{pb}(n) + \mu_n x_{pb}(n) * (e_b(n))^5 \quad (19)$$

$$W_{pc}(n+1) = W_{pc}(n) + \mu_n x_{pc}(n) * (e_c(n))^5 \quad (20)$$

$$W_g = 1/3 (W_{pa} + W_{pb} + W_{pc}) \quad (21)$$

$$W_{sp} = W_g + W_c - W_{pv} \quad (22)$$

$$i_{sa}^* = W_{sp} * x_{pa} \quad (23)$$

$$i_{sb}^* = W_{sp} * x_{pb} \quad (24)$$

$$i_{sc}^* = W_{sp} * x_{pc} \quad (25)$$

4. RESULT AND DISCUSSION

During normal operation, the solar irradiation level has been kept at 1000 W/m² and the temperature is kept at 25 °C. The system remains stable during the operation shown in Figure 2 (a). Table 2 shows that the THD under normal operation is found satisfactory and conform to IEEE-519 standards. The solar insolation has been changed from 1000 W/m² to 600 W/m² at .03 second. However, the system remains stable during the condition. Figure 2 (b) shows the AC and DC waveforms under varying insolation conditions. Figure 2 (c) shows the waveforms when phase 'a' is disengaged through breaker for a time period from 0.03 second to 0.06 second. During the unbalancing load period, the grid current rises, and the compensating current goes a little bit down, but the active power transmission from PV array to the grid remains stable. The DC link voltage remains constant during the operation. The waveforms of average weight component (W_g), fundamental weight component of phase 'a' (W_{pa}), total weight component (W_{sp}) and the feed-forward term (W_{pv}) under unbalancing can be seen in Figure 2 (d).

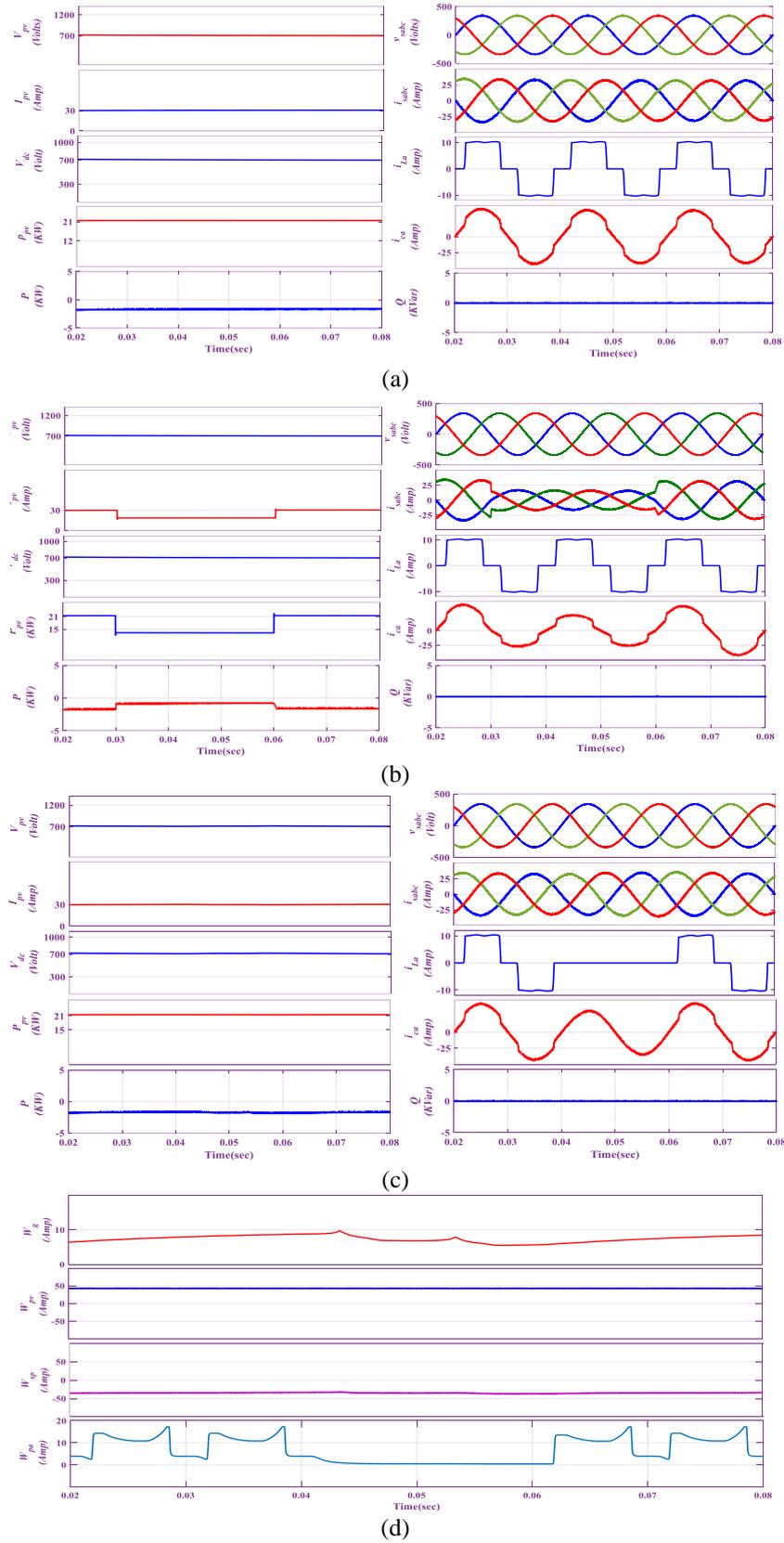


Figure 2. These figures are, (a) the system remains stable during the operation, (b) AC and DC waveforms under varying insolation conditions, (c) the waveforms a time period from 0.03 to 0.06 second, (d) the waveforms of average weight component under unbalancing

Table 2. The THD under normal operation

signal	Amplitude	THD
Grid voltage (v_{sa})	339.6 V	1.12%
Grid current (i_{sa})	32.11%	3.16%
Load current (i_{La})	11.25 A	28.61%

5. COMPARITIVE STUDY

The comparison made on the basis of the three main factors which are accuracy of extraction, signal oscillation and settling time. It is observed from the Figure 3 that the value of weight component (W_g) extracted from the least mean sixth is more accurate in comparison to least mean fourth (LMF) control algorithm. In addition, oscillation in W_g with least mean sixth is less when comparing it with the LMF control. Moreover, the settling time for the proposed control algorithm is less as compared to LMF control. The values of MSE and THD have been calculated under similar steady state condition. The MSE values for LMF and Least Mean Sixth control are 24.9 and 17.7 respectively which means that the static error with the proposed new control approach is less than the LMF algorithm. Also, THD in grid currents are 4.47% and 3.16% respectively. Table 3 displays the comparative study between LMF control and proposed adaptive control.

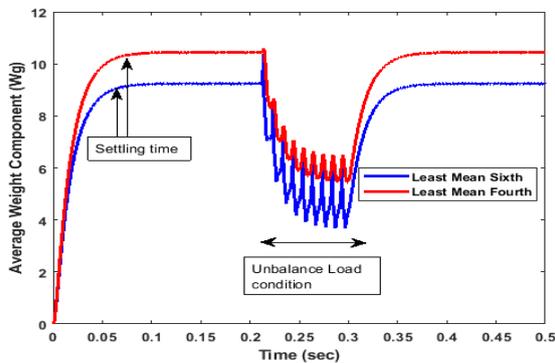


Figure 3. The value of weight component (W_g) extracted from the least mean sixth and least mean fourth (LMF) control algorithm

Table 3. The comparative study between LMF control and proposed adaptive control

Parameter	Least Mean Fourth Control	Proposed Control (least mean sixth)
Filter	Adaptive type	Adaptive type
Complexity	Lesser	Lesser
Degree of optimization	4 th order	6 th order
Accuracy	good	Better
Static error	more	low
MSE	24.9	17.7
Sampling time	1 μ s	1 μ s
Settling time	.08sec	.06sec
THD	4.47%	3.16%
Oscillations	less	less

6. CONCLUSION

The proposed system has been modeled for 21 KW PV power and 5.8 KW load. The system performance with the least mean sixth control algorithm and incremental conductance technique of MPPT has been used on MATLAB/Simulink. The novel control algorithm ensures rapid response to disturbances and fast convergence rate owing to the error increased to the fifth power. As a result, the bigger correction step has taken for larger errors. Moreover, the proposed system reduces the THD in grid currents and conforms to the IEEE-519 standard.

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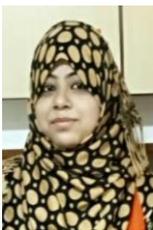
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