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Challenges and Research Trends in Modular Multilevel Converters

Message from the Guest Editor

Modular multilevel converters (MMC) is being studied a lot in industry and academia for the application of STATCOM, HVDC, and MV motor drive. Recently, there has been an active movement to change existing fossil fuel engines to electric propulsion methods to cope with climate change, and it is expected that the application of medium-voltage large-capacity motor driving systems for electric propulsion. In the field of renewable energy, ultra-large-capacity wind turbine power systems are being promoted, and the application of variablespeed control. Therefore, MMCs are expected to be widely used in electric propulsion, renewable energy, and industrial fields in the near future. Topics of interest include, but are not limited to:

- Application of HVDC, FACTS, motor drives, and renewable energies, etc.
- Optimal design and selection of components for the selected application
- Control, dynamics and performance of MMC in the selected application
- Advances in control and modulation techniques
- Voltage ripple of sub-module reduction at lowfrequency operation
- Overview of research trends of MMC
- All aspects of theory, design, modeling, and applications related to MMCs

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