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ABSTRACT

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Keywords: magnetic field pattern; harmonic equivalent circuits; space harmonics; time harmonics; induction motors.

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CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

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The fundamental principle of AC machines operation is that if a three-phase set of current, each of equal magnitude and differing in phase by 120°, flow in a three-phase winding, then it will produce a rotating magnetic field with constant magnitude [1]. These will generate a unique pattern of magnetic field. A method of magnetic field calculation introduced by R. L. Stoll, B. Bodner and A.H.N. Al-Khoury [2], where the magnetic field pattern in a cylindrical rotor electrical machine is outlined which considers the winding currents to be explicit sources of the field, and the resulting magnetisation of the stator and rotor core and shaft surfaces as