

## CONTROL SYSTEM FOR STARTING UP THE D.C. MOTORS WITH SEPARATE FIEL

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**Abstract:** This work is presenting a control system for starting up the D.C. motors with separate excitation, built in both wired and programmed logic. The electrical control diagram in programmed logic was performed by means of a programmable logical controller (PLC), TWIDO type, produced by Schneider. Through the usage of the TWIDO PLC a control system with better functioning performances is obtained, compared to the wired logic control system.

**Keywords:** D. C. motor, programmable logic controller (PLC), automated start-up.

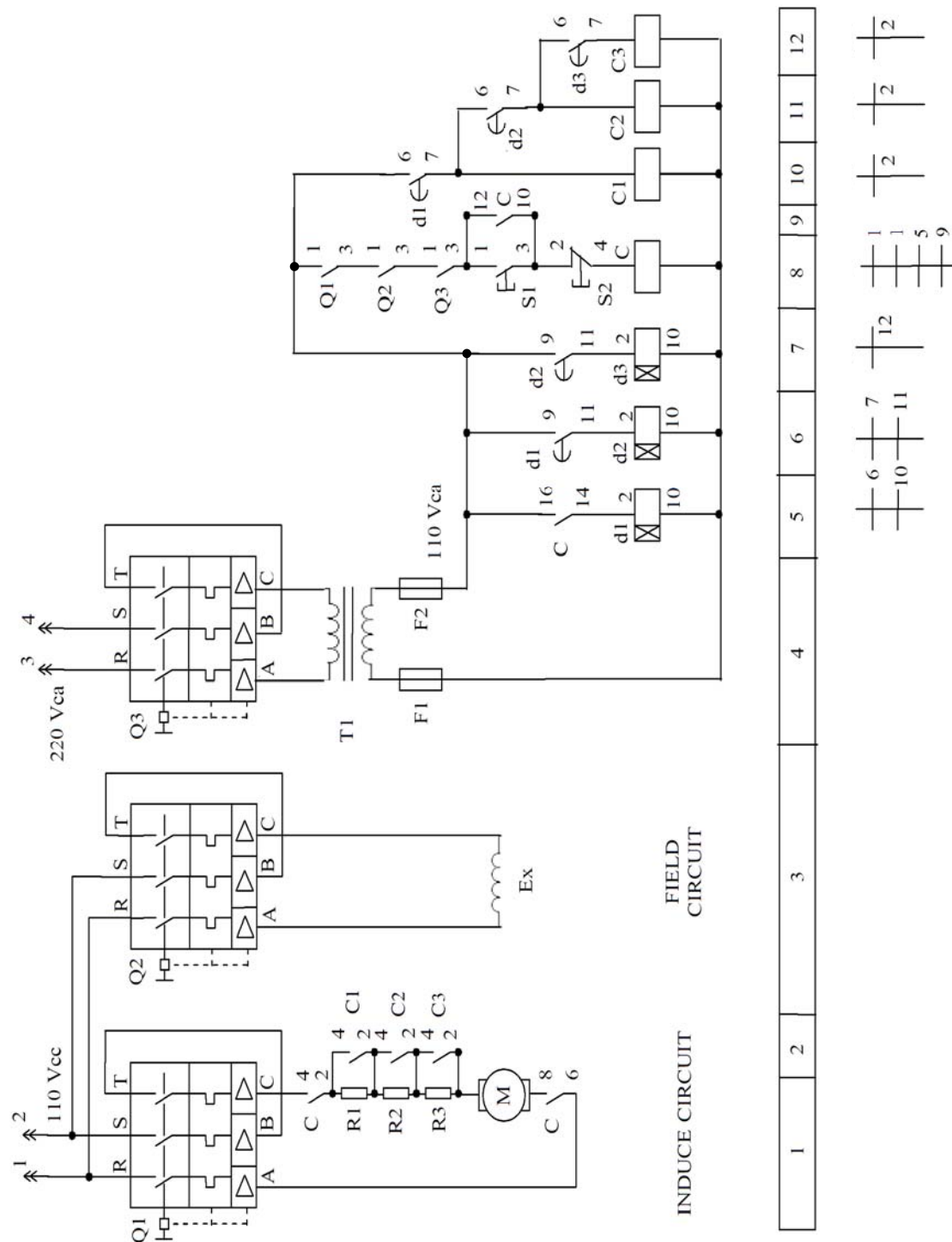
### 1. INTRODUCTION

In practice, the following methods are used for starting up the D.C. motors: Start-up through direct connection to main supply, start-up through controllers (rheostats) series connected to the armature and start-up through variable voltage supply, by using special groups of machines or special equipment (controlled rectifiers).

### 2. CONTROL SYSTEMS FOR STARTING UP THE D.C. MOTORS

#### 2.1 Electrical Diagram for D.C. Motor Control, Built in Wired Logic

The control system is composed of the following:  $Q_1$  - Automatic fuse with thermal relay for the armature circuit;  $Q_2$  - Automatic fuse with thermal relay for the field circuit;  $Q_3$  - Automatic fuse with thermal relay for the field circuit  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ ,  $R_3$  - Start-up resistors;  $M$  - D.C. motor;  $C$  - Contactor for coupling the motor armature;  $C_1$ ,  $C_2$ ,  $C_3$  - Contactors for short-circuiting the resistors  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ ,  $R_3$ ;  $d_1$ ,  $d_2$ ,  $d_3$  - Time relays with adjustable cut-in delay  $(0,3 \div 3)$  s;  $T$  - transformer 220/110 V. A.C. for supplying the control circuitry;  $F_1$ ,  $F_2$  - Fuses for the 110 V. A.C. circuit;  $S_1$  - Start-up push button;  $S_2$  - Stop button. The electrical diagram for controlling the D.C. motors with separate field, for automated start-up in function of time, is shown in Fig.1. Switching on the circuit breakers  $Q_1$ ,  $Q_2$  and  $Q_3$  prepares the equipment for start-up. Pushing the button  $S_1$  energizes the armature of the D.C. motor  $M$  through closing the contacts of the contactor  $C$  in the circuit 1. The motor  $M$  will start with the whole resistor  $R_1 + R_2 + R_3$  connected to the rotor circuit. Through closing the auxiliary contact of the contactor  $C$  in the circuit 9, its solenoid will be self-retained. Through closing the auxiliary contact of the contactor  $C$  in the circuit 5, the time relay  $d_1$  starts timing the closing of its normally open contacts with cut-in delay. Once timing completed, the relay  $d_1$  will close the contact in the circuit 10, the contactor  $C_1$  cuts in and short-circuits the first step  $R_1$  of the controller. At the same time, the contact of the relay  $d_1$  in the circuit 6 will close and the time relay  $d_2$  starts timing the closing of its normally open contacts with cut-in delay.



After timing, the relay  $d_2$  closes its contact in the circuit 11, the contactor  $C_2$  cuts in and short-circuits the second step of the controller,  $R_2$ . At the same time, the contact of the relay  $d_2$  in the circuit 7 will close and the time relay  $d_3$  starts timing the closing of its normally open contacts with cut-in delay. Once timing completed, the relay  $d_3$  closes its contact in the circuit 12, the contactor  $C_3$  cuts in and short-circuits the last step of the controller,  $R_3$ .

## 2.2 Electrical Diagram for D.C. Motor Control, Built in Programmed Logic

The block diagram of the control system of the D.C. motor, equipped with the PLC TWIDO is shown in Fig. 2. The PLC TWIDO is manufactured by Scheinder. It is composed of three modules: [4]: Module I includes the central unit and has 12 digital inputs and 8 digital outputs. The extension module II has 8 digital inputs. The extension module III has 8 digital outputs. The electrical control diagram of the D.C. motor using TWIDO is shown in Fig. 3. The power circuit for supplying the D.C. motor with separate field is identical to the one shown in Fig.1.

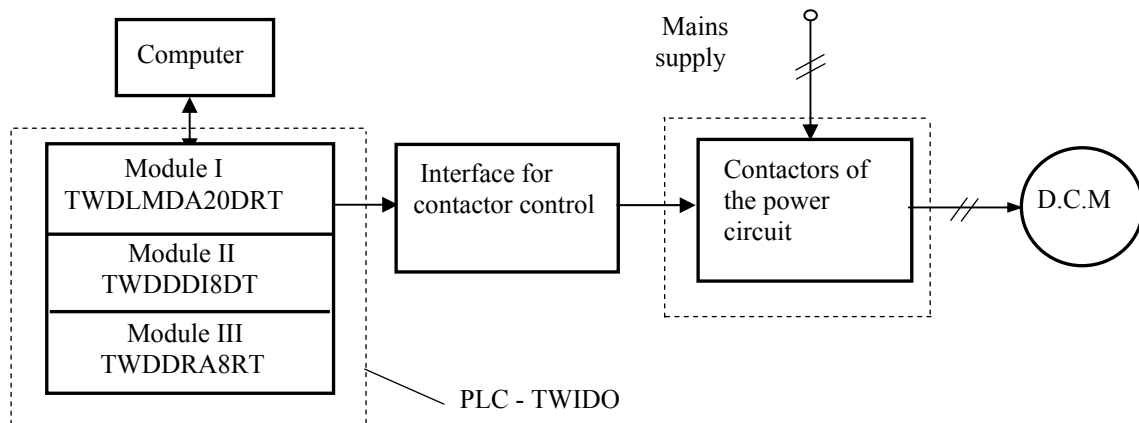


Fig.2. Block diagram of the control system of the D.C. motor equipped with PLC.

To the inputs  $I_1$ ,  $I_2$ ,  $I_3$ ,  $I_4$  and  $I_5$  of the PLC, the signals coming from the start-up and stop buttons  $S_1$ ,  $S_2$  are applied, as well as the normally closed contacts (NC) of the overload protection relays in the power circuit of the D.C. motor supply. To the outputs  $O_2$ ,  $O_3$ ,  $O_4$  and  $O_5$  of the PLC the miniature relays  $k_1$ ,  $k_2$ ,  $k_3$  and  $k_4$  are connected, that are the interface for the control of the power contactors in the supply circuit of the D.C. motor with separate field. The contacts of these relays are used for controlling the supply of the solenoids of the contactors  $C$ ,  $C_1$ ,  $C_2$  and  $C_3$  in Fig. 4.

## 3. EXPERIMENTAL DETERMINATIONS

The control systems in wired and programmed logic for the start-up of the D.C. motors with separate field have been built at the Electrical Machinery laboratory of the University of Bacau. For the PLC the application program has been issued by using a language oriented on diagrams with contacts, [5]. The functioning program has been edited with the help of the program TWIDO.SOFT.EXE installed on a IBM-PC compatible computer. The program has been transferred from the computer memory to the memory of the TWIDO PLC through a special connection cable. The program has been implemented and validated for D.C. motor having the following characteristics: Rated power,  $P_n = 1$  KW, rated rpm  $n_n = 1500$  rpm, rated voltage  $U_n = 110$  V. D.C.

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