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EDUCATION

- Ph.D., 2001, Bradley Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (Virginia Tech), Blacksburg, Virginia
- M.S., 1988, Department of Electrical Engineering, Chungnam National University, Taejeon, Korea
- B.S., 1986, Department of Electrical Engineering, Chungnam National University, Taejeon, Korea

Ph.D. Dissertation: "Voltage Balancing Techniques for Flying Capacitors used in Soft-Switching Multilevel Active Power Filters" Advisor: Dr. Jason Lai

RESEARCH AREAS & TOPICS

- Modeling, analysis, design, implementation and test of alternate energy power conversion systems for smart-grid/Micro-Grid using Real-Time Digital Simulator (RTDS)
- Intelligent universal transformers for micro-grids
- Design and control of wind power/ water turbine Permanent magnet generators
- High energy efficient power converters and switched-mode power supplies
- LED lighting driver and power factor correction
- Advanced electric vehicle propulsion drive systems and their digital controllers
- Compact pulsed power system and energy storage system solutions for medical devices and defense applications

EMPLOYMENT & EXPERIENCE

2009 – Present Assistant Professor, Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering, Baylor University, Waco, Texas **2004 – 2009:** Founder, CEO/President, and CTO, ActsPower Technologies, Inc., San Diego, CA

2000 – 2004: Sr. Scientist and Staff Engineer, Electromagnetic Systems Div., Energy Products Div., General Atomics - Electronic Systems Inc., San Diego, CA

1994 – 2000: Ph.D. Student and Graduate Research Assistant, Center of Power Electronics Systems (CPES), Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, VA

1988 – 1994: Senior Project Engineer, Power Electronics Div., Korea Electrotechnology Research Institute (KERI), Changwon, Korea

1991: Project Engineer, T.U. Braunschweig, Braunschweig, Germany

SELECTED IEEE & JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

- E. S. Kim, B. M. Song, and S. Lee, "An Effective Control Algorithm for a Grid-connected Multifunctional Power Converter," International Journal of Modern Engineering, vol. 10, no. 2, pp. 10-16, April 2010.
- B. M. Song, S. Lee, and M. H. Kye, "Practical Soft-Switching High-Voltage Dc-Dc Converter for Magnetron Power Supplies,"
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- Synchronous Motor using Field-Oriented Control," International Journal of Engineering Research & Innovation, vol. 2, no.2, Nov. 2010 (accepted).
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- S. K. Kwon, B. M. Song, and J. S. Lai, "Design Optimization of the ZVT Soft-Switching Inverter for High Power AC Motor Drives," in *Journal of Electrical Engineering and Information Science*, Vol. 4, No. 4, August 1999, pp. 507-513.

SELECTED CONFERENCE PAPERS

- J. Y. Choi, J. M. Jang, and B. M. Song, "Design of a Direct-Coupled Radial-Flux Permanent Magnet Generator for Wind Turbines," IEEE 2010 PES General Meeting, July 2010, 2010GM1532.
- B. M. Song, M. H. Kye, and R. Y. Kim, "Design of a Cost-Effective DC-DC Converter with High Power Density for Magnetron Power Supplies," 2010 International Power Electronics Conference (IPEC), 21-24 Jun. 2010, pp. 137-141.
- B. M. Song, K. C. Chang, and S. Lee, "Design of an Outer-Rotor-Type Permanent Magnet Motor for Electric Scooter Propulsion Systems," 2010 International Power Electronics Conference (IPEC), 12-24 Jun. 2010, pp. 2763-2742.
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- G. H. Kim, Y. J. Kim, M. Park, I. K. Yu, and B. M. Song, "RTDS-based Real Time Simulations of Grid-Connected Wind Turbine Generator Systems," *IEEE 2010 Applied Power Electronics Conference (APEC)*, Feb. 22-25, 2010, pp. 2085 -2090.
- E. S. Kim, B. M. Song, and K. Y. Lee, "Modeling and Analysis of a Grid-Connected Wind Energy Conversion System Using PSCAD/EMTDC," *IEEE 2010 PES Conference on Innovation Smart Grid Technologies*, Jan. 19-21, 2010, pp. 1-6.
- B. M. Song, K. Y. Lee, and S. Nikneshan, "The Cyber Security Solution for SCADA Power Systems using Software Defined Radio (SDR) Technology," *National Workshop on New Research Directions for Future Cyber-Physical Energy Systems*, June 2009.
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- B. M. Song, R. McDowell, A. Bushnell, and J. Ennis, "Practical Design and Control of a ZVS 3-Level DC-DC Converter with Minimum Circulating Current," in Conf. Rec. of IEEE-IECON'2003, pp. 726-731, Nov. 2003
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- S. C. Oh, B. M. Song, Y. H. Cho, and H. D. Ha, "Design of New AC Power Train using 2 Quadrant Chopper as an Input converter," in *Conf. Rec. of 12th Inte'l Electric Vehicle Symposium*, Anaheim, California, Dec. 1994, pp.634 639.

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS AND ACTIVITIES

- Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE), Senior Member
- Technical Program Committee Member & Paper Reviewer of IEEE 2010 Green Technologies Conference.
- Session Chair and Paper Reviewer of IEEE 2010 Southeastern Symposium on System Theory (SSST)
- Session Chair and Paper Reviewer of IEEE 2010 International Power Electronics Conference (IPEC)
- Paper Reviewer of IEEE 2010 Applied Power Electronics Conference and Exposition (APEC)
- Paper Reviewer of IEEE Transaction on Energy Conversion 2010
- Session Chair and Paper Reviewer of IEEE 2010 International Power Electronics Conference (IPEC)
- Paper Reviewer of IEEE Industry Applications Society and Power Electronics Society
- Member of IEEE Power & Energy (PES), Power Electronics (PELS), and Industry Applications (IA) Societies.

HONORS AND AWARDS

- 2004: International Who's Who of Professionals •
- 2000: Paper Award, International Power Electronics Conference (IPEC) 2000, Tokyo, Japan 1999: TECO Academic Scholarship, Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, VA •
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- 1993: Outstanding Researcher Award, Ministry of Science and Technology, Korea
- 1992: Outstanding Researcher Award, KERI, Korea
- 1987: Thesis Award / Full Scholarship for Master Degree, Korea Electric Power Research Institute, Korea 1983: Two-Year Full Scholarship, Chungnam National University, Korea •
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