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Harmonic resonance is a topic of interest in modern power system networks because it may provide a significant increase in harmonic voltage or current values. As a result, the recent tendency in power quality studies is to develop new resonance-free systems that dampen resonances and reduce harmonics. In this context, the fourth-order damped high-pass passive filter is introduced in this work as a novel filtering technique for electric power distribution systems operating under non-sinusoidal conditions, including the injected current harmonic distortion of industrial consumers, as the optimal design is obtained based on different design objectives. The filter's performance has been examined using a single objective (total demand distortion) and a group of multi-objective functions (total demand distortion of harmonic currents, a parallel resonance index, and filter cost), while maintaining the individual and total harmonic distortion limits stated in IEEE Std. 519. A comparative analysis of the different damped filters is presented to assess the proposed filter performance. Filter design success has been confirmed by the outcomes. The filter has been proven to work with multi-pulse variable speed motors and with different short-circuit capacity systems.

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