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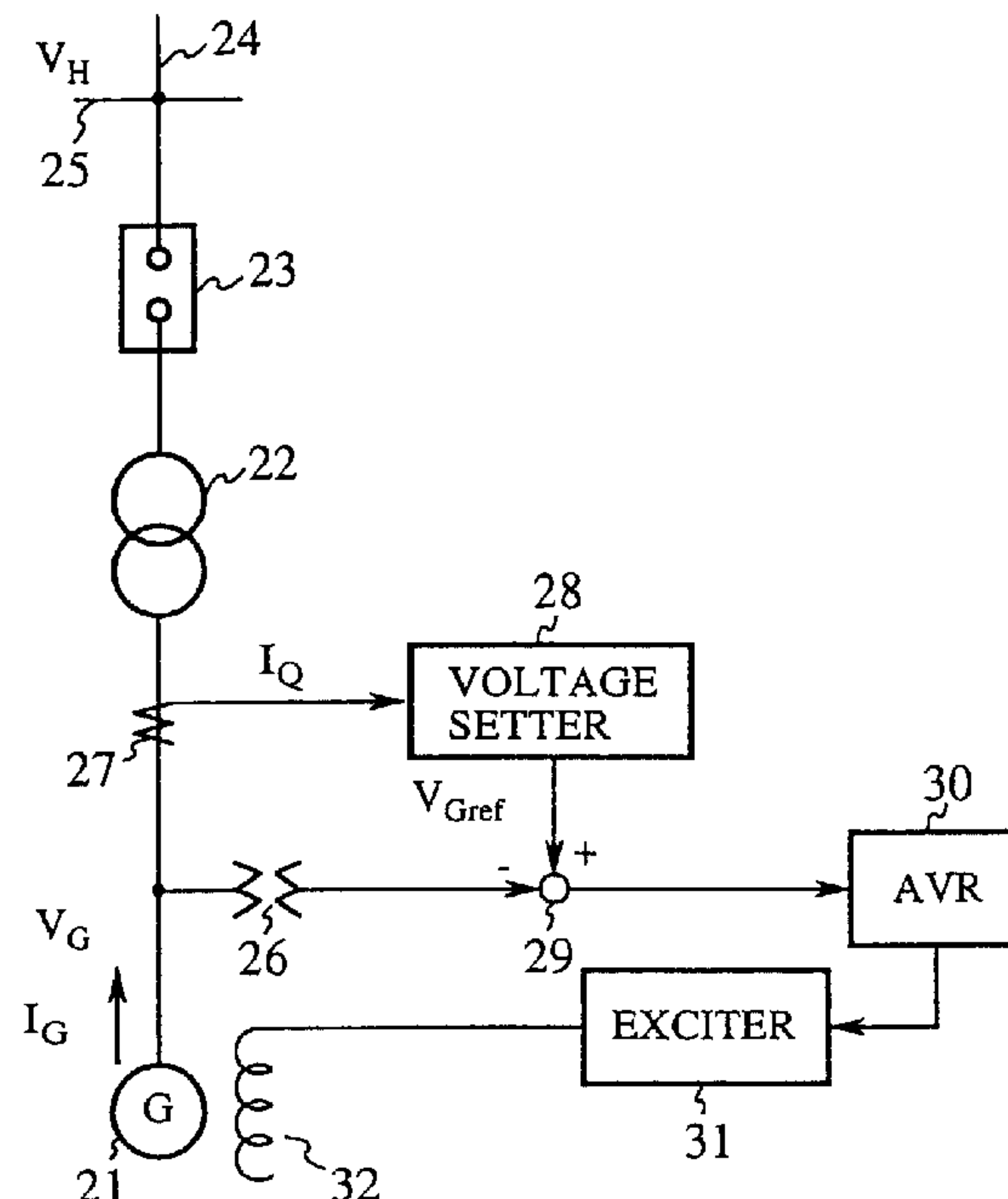
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Abstract of the Disclosure

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TITLE OF THE INVENTION

EXCITATION CONTROLLER AND EXCITATION CONTROL METHOD
FOR STABILIZING VOLTAGE IN ELECTRIC POWER SYSTEM

5 BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Field of the Invention

The present invention relates to an excitation controller and an excitation control method for stabilizing voltage in an electric power system.

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Description of Related Art

Fig. 8 is a block diagram showing a conventional excitation controller disclosed in Japanese patent publication No. 2809833/1998. In Fig. 8, the reference numeral 1 designates a synchronous machine; 2 designates a transformer; 3 designates a breaker; 4 designates a transmission line; 5 designates a transmission bus of a power plant; 6 designates a potential transformer (called "PT" from now on) for detecting an output terminal voltage V_e of the synchronous machine 1; 7 designates a voltage setter for setting the output terminal reference voltage r_e of the synchronous machine 1; 8 designates a subtracter for producing a deviation signal by subtracting the output terminal voltage V_e from the reference voltage r_e set by the voltage setter 7; and 9 designates a reduced gain circuit for multiplying the deviation signal fed from the subtracter 8 by a gain β .

The reference numeral 10 designates a potential device (called "PD" from now on) for detecting the transmission voltage V_H on the transmission bus 5; 11

designates a high side voltage setter for setting a reference voltage r_H of the transmission bus 5; 12 designates a subtracter for producing a deviation signal by subtracting the transmission voltage V_H from the reference voltage r_H set by the high side voltage setter 11; 13 designates a high side voltage control gain circuit for multiplying the deviation signal fed from the subtracter 12 by a gain K_H ; 14 designates an adder for adding the multiplication result of the reduced gain circuit 9 and the multiplication result of the high side voltage control gain circuit 13; 15 designates an automatic voltage regulator (called "AVR " from now on) for controlling the rectifying timing of an exciter 16 using the addition result of the adder 14 as an input condition; 16 designates the exciter for supplying the field current to a field winding 17 of the synchronous machine 1 under the command of the AVR 15; and 17 designates the field winding of the synchronous machine 1.

Next, the operation of the conventional excitation controller will be described.

First, the PT 6 detects the output terminal voltage V_o of the synchronous machine 1. Then, the subtracter 8 subtracts the output terminal voltage V_o from the reference voltage r_o set by the voltage setter 7, and outputs its subtraction result as the deviation signal, and the reduced gain circuit 9 multiplies the deviation signal by the gain β .

On the other hand, the PD 10 detects the transmission voltage V_H of the transmission bus 5. Then, the subtracter 12 subtracts the transmission voltage V_H from the reference

voltage r_H set by the high side voltage setter 11, and outputs its subtraction result as the deviation signal. The high side voltage control gain circuit 13 multiplies the deviation signal by the gain K_H .

5 Subsequently, the adder 14 adds the multiplication result of the reduced gain circuit 9 and the multiplication result of the high side voltage control gain circuit 13, and the AVR 15 generates a timing signal for controlling the rectifying timing of the exciter 16 using the addition
10 result of the adder 14 as the input condition of the following transfer function.

$$\text{transfer function} = K \cdot (1 + T_{LD} \cdot S) / (1 + T_{LG} \cdot S)$$

15 where, K is the gain constant;
 T_{LD} and T_{LG} are time constants; and
 S is the Laplace operator.

 In response to the timing signal fed from the AVR 15,
20 the exciter 16 supplies the field current to the field winding 17 of the synchronous machine 1.

 Incidentally, if the addition result of the adder 14 is positive, the field current supplied to the field winding 17 is increased so that the output terminal voltage
25 V_o of the synchronous machine 1 increases, whereas if the addition result of the adder 14 is negative, the field current supplied to the field winding 17 is decreased so that the output terminal voltage V_o of the synchronous machine 1 decreases.

30 Thus, the voltage on the transmission bus 5 is

maintained at a fixed value, and hence, even if an accident takes place on the transmission line 4, the voltage drop of the entire transmission system can be alleviated, which makes it possible to markedly improve the voltage
5 stability.

With the foregoing configuration, the conventional excitation controller can maintain the transmission voltage V_H on the transmission bus 5 at the fixed value. However, it has a problem of increasing the manufacturing
10 cost because of the expensive PD 10 which is required for detecting the transmission voltage V_H of the transmission bus 5.

Furthermore, since an excitation control cubicle, on which the AVR 15 and adder 14 are mounted, is usually
15 installed far from the transmission bus 5, a long cable connecting the excitation control cubicle and the transmission bus 5 is susceptible to noise, and this presents a problem of reducing the reliability of the system.

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SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

The present invention is implemented to solve the foregoing problem. It is therefore an object of the present invention to provide an excitation controller and an
25 excitation control method capable of maintaining the voltage on the transmission bus at a fixed value without detecting the voltage on the transmission bus.

In accordance with one aspect of the present invention there is provided an excitation controller comprising: a voltage detector for detecting an output terminal voltage of a synchronous machine, the
5 synchronous machine being connected to a low voltage side of a transformer, the transformer having a high voltage side where a high side voltage is produced and that is connected to a transmission system including a transmission line; a reactive current detector for
10 detecting a reactive current output from the synchronous machine; a voltage setter for setting an output terminal reference voltage of the synchronous machine from the reactive current detected by the reactive current detector and a high side reference voltage of the
15 transformer; and a controller for controlling an excitation system of the synchronous machine in response to a deviation between the reference voltage set by the voltage setter and the output terminal voltage detected by the voltage detector, wherein the voltage setter sets
20 the output terminal reference voltage of the synchronous machine such that the high side voltage of the transformer matches the high side reference voltage when the reactive current detected by the reactive current detector matches a reference current.

25 Here, the voltage setter may set the output terminal reference voltage of the synchronous machine such that the high side voltage of the transformer agrees with the high side reference voltage when the reactive current detected by the reactive current detector agrees with a
30 reference value.

The voltage setter may determine the reference value in accordance with the high side reference voltage of the transformer.

5 The voltage setter, when the high side reference voltage of the transformer is changed, may subtract from the reference voltage after the change the reference voltage before the change, divide a result of the subtraction by a reactance of the transmission system side, add a result of the division to the reference value
10 before the change, and adopt a result of the addition as the reference value.

The voltage setter may estimate the reactance on the transmission system side when obtaining the reference value after the change.

15 The voltage setter may calculate the reference value from the reactive current detected by the reactive current detector and the high side voltage of the transformer.

In accordance with another aspect of the present
20 invention there is provided an excitation control method comprising: detecting an output terminal voltage of a synchronous machine, the synchronous machine being connected to a low voltage side of a transformer, the transformer having a high voltage side where a high side
25 voltage is produced and that is connected to a transmission system including a transmission line; detecting a reactive current output from the synchronous machine; setting an output terminal reference voltage of the synchronous machine from the reactive current
30 detected and a high side reference voltage of the transformer; and controlling an excitation system of the synchronous machine in response to a deviation between

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the reference voltage and the output terminal voltage,
wherein setting includes setting the output terminal
reference voltage of the synchronous machine such that
the high side voltage of the transformer matches the high
5 side reference voltage when the reactive current output
from the synchronous machine matches a reference current.

The step of setting may set the output terminal
reference voltage of the synchronous machine such that
the high side voltage of the transformer agrees with the
10 high side reference voltage when the reactive current
output from the synchronous machine agrees with a
reference value.

The step of setting may determine the reference
value in accordance with the high side reference voltage
15 of the transformer.

The step of setting, when the high side reference
voltage of the transformer is changed, may subtract
from the reference voltage after the change the reference
voltage before the change, divide a result of the

subtraction by a reactance of the transmission system side, add a result of the division to the reference value before the change, and adopt a result of the addition as the reference value.

- 5 The step of setting may estimate the reactance on the transmission system side when obtaining the reference value after the change.

10 The step of setting may calculate the reference value from the reactive current output from the synchronous machine and the high side voltage of the transformer.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

15 Fig. 1 is a block diagram showing an embodiment 1 of an excitation controller in accordance with the present invention;

 Fig. 2 is a flowchart illustrating an excitation control method of the embodiment 1 in accordance with the present invention;

20 Fig. 3 is a system diagram showing an infinite bus model system;

 Fig. 4 is a system diagram showing another infinite bus model system;

25 Fig. 5 is a graph illustrating the relationships between the output terminal voltage V_o of a synchronous machine 21, the high side voltage V_H of a transformer 22, and the high side reference voltage V_{Href} of the transformer 22;

30 Fig. 6 is a graph illustrating the relationships between the reactive current I_o output from the synchronous machine 21, the high side reference voltage V_{Href} of the

transformer 22, and the high side voltage V_H of the transformer 22;

Fig. 7 is a block diagram showing an embodiment 5 of the excitation controller in accordance with the present invention; and

Fig. 8 is a block diagram showing a conventional excitation controller.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS

10 The invention will now be described with reference to the accompanying drawings.

EMBODIMENT 1

Fig. 1 is a block diagram showing an embodiment 1 of an excitation controller in accordance with the present invention. In Fig. 1, the reference numeral 21 designates a synchronous machine; 22 designates a transformer; 23 designates a breaker; 24 designates a transmission line; 25 designates a transmission bus of a power plant; 26 designates a PT (potential transformer) for detecting the output terminal voltage V_o of the synchronous machine 21; 27 designates a CT (current transformer) for detecting the reactive current I_o output from the synchronous machine 21; and 28 designates a voltage setter for setting the output terminal reference voltage V_{Gref} of the synchronous machine 21 in response to the reactive current I_o detected by the CT 27 and the high side reference voltage V_{Href} of the transformer 22.

The reference numeral 29 designates a subtracter for subtracting from the reference voltage V_{Gref} set by the voltage setter 28 the output terminal voltage V_o detected

by the PT 26, and for outputting the deviation signal; 30 designates an AVR (automatic voltage regulator) for controlling the rectifying timing of an exciter 31 using the deviation signal fed from the subtracter 29 as the input condition; 31 designates the exciter for supplying the field current to the field winding 32 of the synchronous machine 21 under the command of the AVR 30; and 32 designates the field winding of the synchronous machine 21.

10 Next, the operation of the present embodiment 1 will be described with reference to Fig. 2, the flowchart of an excitation control method of the embodiment 1 in accordance with the present invention, and to Figs. 3 and 4, system diagrams showing infinite bus model systems.

15 First, the PT 26 detects the output terminal voltage V_o of the synchronous machine 21 (step ST1), and the CT 27 detects the reactive current I_o output from the synchronous machine 21 (step ST2).

20 Then, in response to the reactive current I_o detected by the CT 27, the voltage setter 28 sets the output terminal reference voltage V_{Gref} of the synchronous machine 21 from the reactive current I_o and the high side reference voltage V_{Href} of the transformer 22 (step ST3).

25 More specifically, since the output terminal voltage V_o of the synchronous machine 21 has the relationship of equation (1) with the high side voltage V_H of the transformer 22, where X_t of equation (1) is the reactance of the transformer 22, the output terminal reference voltage V_{Gref} of the synchronous machine 21 can be expressed
30 as equation (2) (see, Fig. 3).

$$V_G = V_H + X_t \cdot I_Q \quad (1)$$

$$V_{Gref} = V_{Href} + X_t \cdot I_Q \quad (2)$$

5 Accordingly, substituting into (2) the reactive current I_Q output from the synchronous machine 21 and the high side reference voltage V_{Href} of the transformer 22 yields the output terminal reference voltage V_{Gref} of the synchronous machine 21.

10 However, as clearly seen from Fig. 3, equation (2) assumes that only one synchronous machine 21 is connected to the transmission system, and fully (100%) compensates for the reactance X_t of the transformer 22.

15 As a result, when a plurality of synchronous machines 21 are connected to the transmission system as shown in Fig. 4, the reactance between the synchronous machine 21 and the other synchronous machines becomes nearly zero, so that the synchronous machine 21 is overloaded because of the cross current caused by the voltage difference and
20 response difference between the output terminal voltages V_G of the synchronous machines.

25 To suppress such cross current, the present embodiment 1 subtracts from the reactance X_t of the transformer 22 the reactance X_{DR} corresponding to the suppressed component of the cross current as shown in equation (3). Here, although the reactance X_{DR} corresponding to the suppressed component of the cross current is set at a few percent of the reactance X_t of the transformer 22, its actual value is determined
30 empirically.

$$V_{Gref} = V_{Href} + (X_t - X_{DR}) \cdot I_Q \quad (3)$$

Thus, the voltage setter 28 calculates the output
 5 terminal reference voltage V_{Gref} of the synchronous machine
 21 by substituting into equation (3) the reactive current
 I_Q output from the synchronous machine 21 and the high side
 reference voltage V_{Href} of the transformer 22.

After the voltage setter 28 sets the output terminal
 10 reference voltage V_{Gref} of the synchronous machine 21, the
 subtracter 29 subtracts from the reference voltage V_{Gref}
 set by the voltage setter 28 the output terminal voltage
 V_e of the synchronous machine 21 detected by the PT 26,
 thereby outputting the subtraction result as the deviation
 15 signal (step ST4).

The AVR 30 generates a timing signal for controlling
 the rectifying timing of the exciter 31 in response to the
 deviation signal fed from the subtracter 29 using the
 deviation signal as the input condition of the following
 20 transfer function (step ST5).

$$\text{transfer function} = K \cdot (1 + T_{LD} \cdot S) / (1 + T_{LG} \cdot S)$$

where K is a gain constant;

T_{LD} and T_{LG} are time constants; and

25 S is the Laplace operator.

In response to the timing signal fed from the AVR 30,
 the exciter 31 supplies the field current to the field
 winding 32 of the synchronous machine 21 (step ST6).

30 Incidentally, if the deviation signal output from the

subtractor 29 is positive, the field current fed to the field winding 32 is increased so that the output terminal voltage V_o of the synchronous machine 21 increases, whereas if the deviation signal output from the subtracter 29 is negative, the field current fed to the field winding 32 is decreased so that the output terminal voltage V_o of the synchronous machine 21 decreases.

In this way, the output terminal voltage V_o of the synchronous machine 21 is controlled such that it agrees with the reference voltage V_{Gref} , and the high side voltage V_H of the transformer 22 is controlled such that it agrees with the reference voltage V_{Href} . In this case, there are relationships as illustrated in Fig. 5 between the output terminal voltage V_o of the synchronous machine 21, the high side voltage V_H of the transformer 22 and the high side reference voltage V_{Href} of the transformer 22.

$$V_G = V_{Href} + (X_t - X_{DR}) \cdot I_Q \quad (4)$$

$$V_H = V_{Href} - X_{DR} \cdot I_Q \quad (5)$$

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As described above, the embodiment 1 sets the output terminal reference voltage V_{Gref} of the synchronous machine 21 in response to the reactive current I_Q output from the synchronous machine 21 and the high side reference voltage V_{Href} of the transformer 22, and controls the field current to be supplied to the field winding 32 of the synchronous machine 21 in accordance with the deviation between the reference voltage V_{Gref} and the output terminal voltage V_o . This makes it possible to maintain the voltage on the transmission bus 25 without detecting the voltage on the

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transmission bus 25, and to obviate the necessity of installing the expensive PD for detecting the voltage on the transmission bus 25, thereby offering an advantage of being able to limit the increase in the manufacturing cost.

5 Furthermore, since it is unnecessary to connect through the cable the PD for detecting the voltage on the transmission bus 25 to the excitation control cubicle on which the AVR 30 and the like are mounted, the present embodiment is insusceptible to noise, thereby offering an
10 advantage of being able to improve the reliability.

Moreover, because the PD 10 becomes unnecessary which was always connected to the transmission bus in the live state in the conventional system, the present embodiment 1 has an advantage of enabling the check and maintenance
15 of the AVR 30 to be carried out in the no-voltage state while the synchronous machine 21 is being halted.

EMBODIMENT 2

The foregoing embodiment 1 sets the output terminal
20 reference voltage V_{Gref} of the synchronous machine 21 by substituting into equation (3) the reactive current I_q output from the synchronous machine 21 and the high side reference voltage V_{Href} of the transformer 22. In this case, as illustrated by (1) of Fig. 6, the high side voltage
25 V_H of the transformer 22 agrees with the reference voltage V_{Href} only when the reactive current $I_q = 0$.

However, when the generation system is in the normal mode, because of the reactive current $I_q \neq 0$, it is impossible for the high side voltage V_H of the transformer
30 22 to be made always equal to the reference voltage V_{Href} .

In view of this, the present embodiment 2 sets the output terminal reference voltage V_{Gref} of the synchronous machine 21 such that the high side voltage V_H of the transformer 22 agrees with the reference voltage V_{Href} when
 5 the reactive current I_Q output from the synchronous machine 21 agrees with a particular reference value I_{Q0} (see, (2) of Fig. 6). Although the reference value I_{Q0} is determined in accordance with the high side reference voltage V_{Href} of the transformer 22, the decision method thereof will
 10 be described in an embodiment 3 and onward.

Specifically, the output terminal reference voltage V_{Gref} of the synchronous machine 21 is set by substituting into the following equation (6) the reactive current I_Q output from the synchronous machine 21 and the high side
 15 reference voltage V_{Href} of the transformer 22.

$$V_{Gref} = V_{Href} + (X_t - X_{DR}) \cdot I_Q + X_{DR} \cdot I_{Q0} \quad (6)$$

in which case, the output terminal voltage V_G of the
 20 synchronous machine 21 and the high side voltage V_H of the transformer 22 can be expressed as follows:

$$V_G = V_{Href} + (X_t - X_{DR}) \cdot I_Q + X_{DR} \cdot I_{Q0} \quad (7)$$

$$V_H = V_{Href} - X_{DR}(I_Q - I_{Q0}) \quad (8)$$

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According to the present embodiment 2, the output terminal reference voltage V_{Gref} of the synchronous machine 21 is set such that the high side voltage V_H of the transformer 22 agrees with the reference voltage V_{Href} when
 30 the reactive current I_Q output from the synchronous machine

21 equals the reference value I_{Q0} . This offers an advantage of being able to coincide the high side voltage V_H of the transformer 22 with the reference voltage V_{Href} more precisely than in the embodiment 1.

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EMBODIMENT 3

Although the foregoing embodiment 2 employs the reference value I_{Q0} corresponding to the high side reference voltage V_{Href} of the transformer 22, if the
 10 reference voltage V_{Href} is changed from V_{Href1} to V_{Href2} in an operation mode in which the reference value $I_{Q0} = I_{Q01}$ and the high side reference voltage of the transformer 22 $V_{Href} = V_{Href1}$ (when the reactive current $I_Q = I_{Q1}$, and the high side voltage of the transformer 22 $V_H = V_{H1}$), the high side
 15 voltage V_{H2} of the transformer 22 is expressed as follows because the reactive current I_Q also changes from I_{Q1} to I_{Q2} .

$$V_{H2} = V_{Href2} - X_{DR}(I_{Q2} - I_{Q01}) \quad (9)$$

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However, because $I_{Q2} \neq I_{Q01}$ in equation (9), the high side voltage V_{H2} of the transformer 22 does not agree with the altered reference voltage V_{Href2} .

In view of this, the present embodiment 3 employs the
 25 reference value I_{Q02} corresponding to the altered reference voltage V_{Href2} so as to match the high side voltage V_{H2} of the transformer 22 to the altered reference voltage V_{Href2} .

More specifically, as expressed by the following equation, the reference value I_{Q02} is obtained by
 30 subtracting from the reference voltage V_{Href2} the reference

voltage V_{Href1} , followed by dividing the result of the subtraction by the reactance X_L of the transmission line 24, and by adding the result of the division to the reference value I_{Q01} .

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$$I_{Q02} = I_{Q01} + (V_{Href2} - V_{Href1}) / X_L \quad (10)$$

Thus, the altered output terminal reference voltage V_{Gref2} of the synchronous machine 21 becomes as follows.

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$$V_{Gref2} = V_{Href2} + (X_t - X_{DR}) \cdot I_{Q2} + X_{DR} \cdot I_{Q02} \quad (11)$$

According to the present embodiment 3, because the reference value I_{Q0} corresponding to the high side reference voltage V_{Href} of the transformer 22 is used, it has an advantage of being able to maintain the voltage of the transmission system at a fixed value even if the reference voltage V_{Href} is changed.

20 EMBODIMENT 4.

Although it is assumed in the foregoing embodiment 3 that the reactance X_L of the transmission line 24 is a known value, the reactance X_L can be successively estimated because it can vary from moment to moment.

25 More specifically, because the effective power P and reactive power Q of the synchronous machine 21 can be expressed by the following equations (12) and (13), the reactance X_L of the transmission line 24 can be obtained by eliminating the phase angle δ from equations (12) and
30 (13).

$$P = V_G \cdot E_{fd} \cdot \sin \delta / (X_d + X_L) \quad (12)$$

$$Q = E_{fd}^2 \cdot X_L / (X_d + X_L)^2 - (X_L - X_d) \cdot E_{fd} \cdot \cos \delta / (X_d + X_L)^2 - X_d / (X_d + X_L)^2 \quad (13)$$

where X_d is a synchronous reactance, and E_{fd} is an internal voltage behind the synchronous reactance.

Because the present embodiment 4 determines the reference value I_{Q0} by always using the accurate reactance X_L , it has an advantage of being able to match the high side voltage V_H of the transformer 22 to the reference voltage V_{Href} at high accuracy.

15 EMBODIMENT 5

Although the foregoing embodiment 3 calculates the altered reference value I_{Q02} using equation (10) when changing the high side reference voltage V_{Href} of the transformer 22 from V_{Href1} to V_{Href2} , this is not essential. For example, the voltage setter 28 can calculate the altered reference value I_{Q02} from the reactive current I_{Q2} output from the synchronous machine 21 and the high side voltage V_{H2} of the transformer 22 measured by a PD 33 as shown Fig. 7.

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$$I_{Q02} = I_{Q2} - (V_{Href2} - V_{H2}) / X_{DR} \quad (14)$$

CLAIMS:

1. An excitation controller comprising:

a voltage detector for detecting an output terminal voltage of a synchronous machine, the synchronous machine
5 being connected to a low voltage side of a transformer, the transformer having a high voltage side where a high side voltage is produced and that is connected to a transmission system including a transmission line;

a reactive current detector for detecting a reactive
10 current output from the synchronous machine;

a voltage setter for setting an output terminal reference voltage of the synchronous machine from the reactive current detected by the reactive current detector and a high side reference voltage of the
15 transformer; and

a controller for controlling an excitation system of the synchronous machine in response to a deviation between the reference voltage set by the voltage setter and the output terminal voltage detected by the voltage
20 detector, wherein the voltage setter sets the output terminal reference voltage of the synchronous machine such that the high side voltage of the transformer matches the high side reference voltage when the reactive current detected by the reactive current detector matches
25 a reference current.

2. The excitation controller according to claim 1, wherein the voltage setter determines the reference current in accordance with the high side reference
30 voltage of the transformer.

3. The excitation controller according to claim 2, wherein the voltage setter, when the high side reference voltage of the transformer is changed, subtracts the high side reference voltage before the change from the high side reference voltage after the change to produce a difference voltage, divides the difference voltage by a reactance of the transmission line to produce a changed reactive current, adds the changed reactive current to the reference current before the change to produce a summed current, and adopts the summed current as the reference current.

4. The excitation controller according to claim 3, wherein the voltage setter estimates the reactance of the transmission line when obtaining the reference current after the change.

5. The excitation controller according to claim 1, wherein said voltage setter calculates the reference current from the reactive current detected by the reactive current detector and the high side voltage of the transformer.

6. An excitation control method comprising:
detecting an output terminal voltage of a synchronous machine, the synchronous machine being connected to a low voltage side of a transformer, the transformer having a high voltage side where a high side voltage is produced and that is connected to a transmission system including a transmission line;
detecting a reactive current output from the synchronous machine;

setting an output terminal reference voltage of the synchronous machine from the reactive current detected and a high side reference voltage of the transformer; and controlling an excitation system of the synchronous machine in response to a deviation between the reference voltage and the output terminal voltage, wherein setting includes setting the output terminal reference voltage of the synchronous machine such that the high side voltage of the transformer matches the high side reference voltage when the reactive current output from the synchronous machine matches a reference current.

7. The excitation control method according to claim 6, wherein setting includes determining the reference current in accordance with the high side reference voltage of the transformer.

8. The excitation control method according to claim 7, wherein setting, when the high side reference voltage of the transformer is changed, includes subtracting the high side reference voltage before the change from the high side reference voltage after the change to produce a difference voltage, dividing the difference voltage by a reactance of the transmission line to produce a changed reactive current, adding the changed reactive current to the reference current before the change to produce a summed current, and adopting the summed current as the reference current.

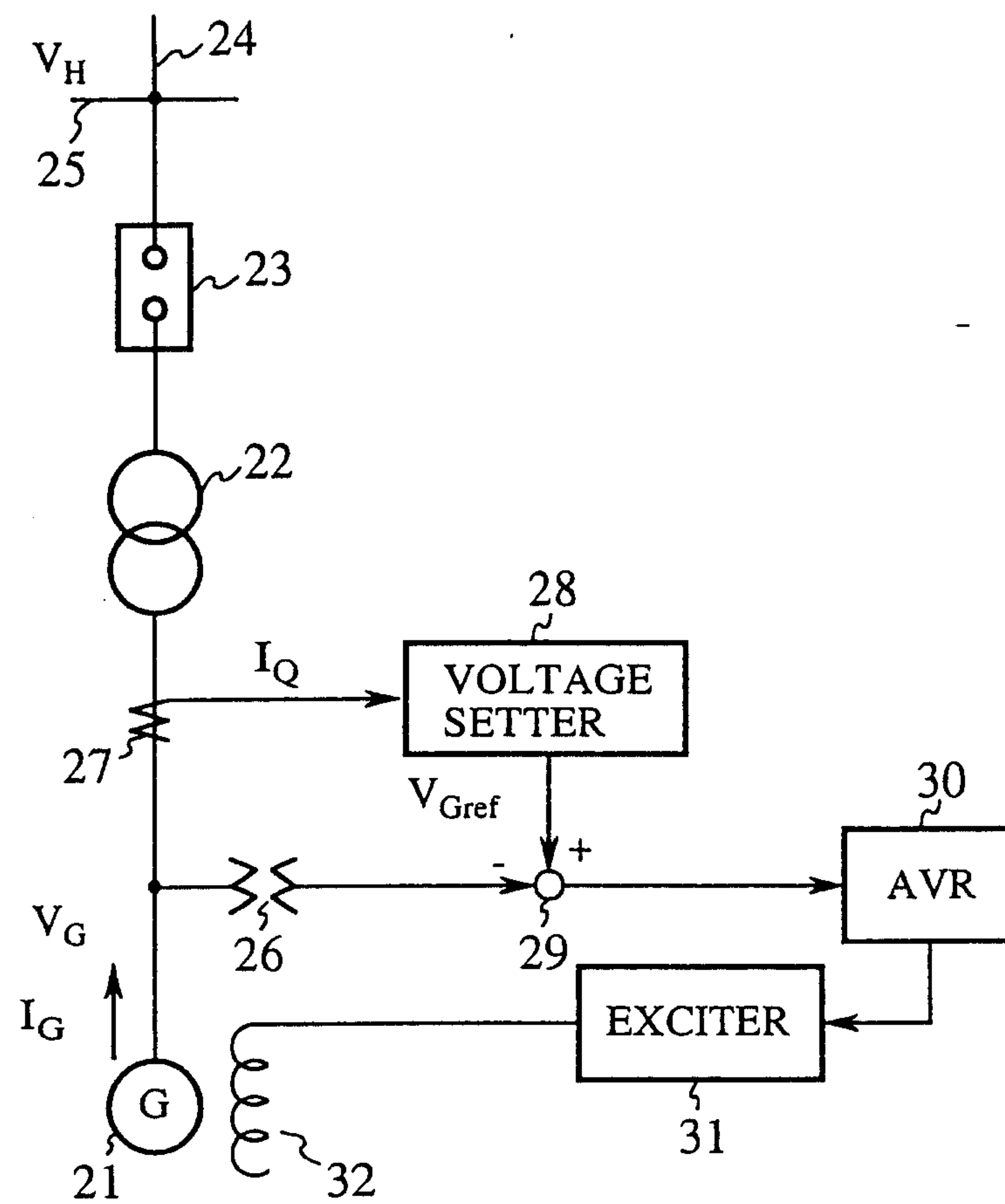
9. The excitation control method according to claim 8, wherein setting includes estimating the reactance of the transmission line when obtaining the reference current after the change.

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10. The excitation control method according to claim 6, wherein setting including calculating the reference current from the reactive current output from the synchronous machine and the high side voltage of the
10 transformer.

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FIG.1



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FIG.2

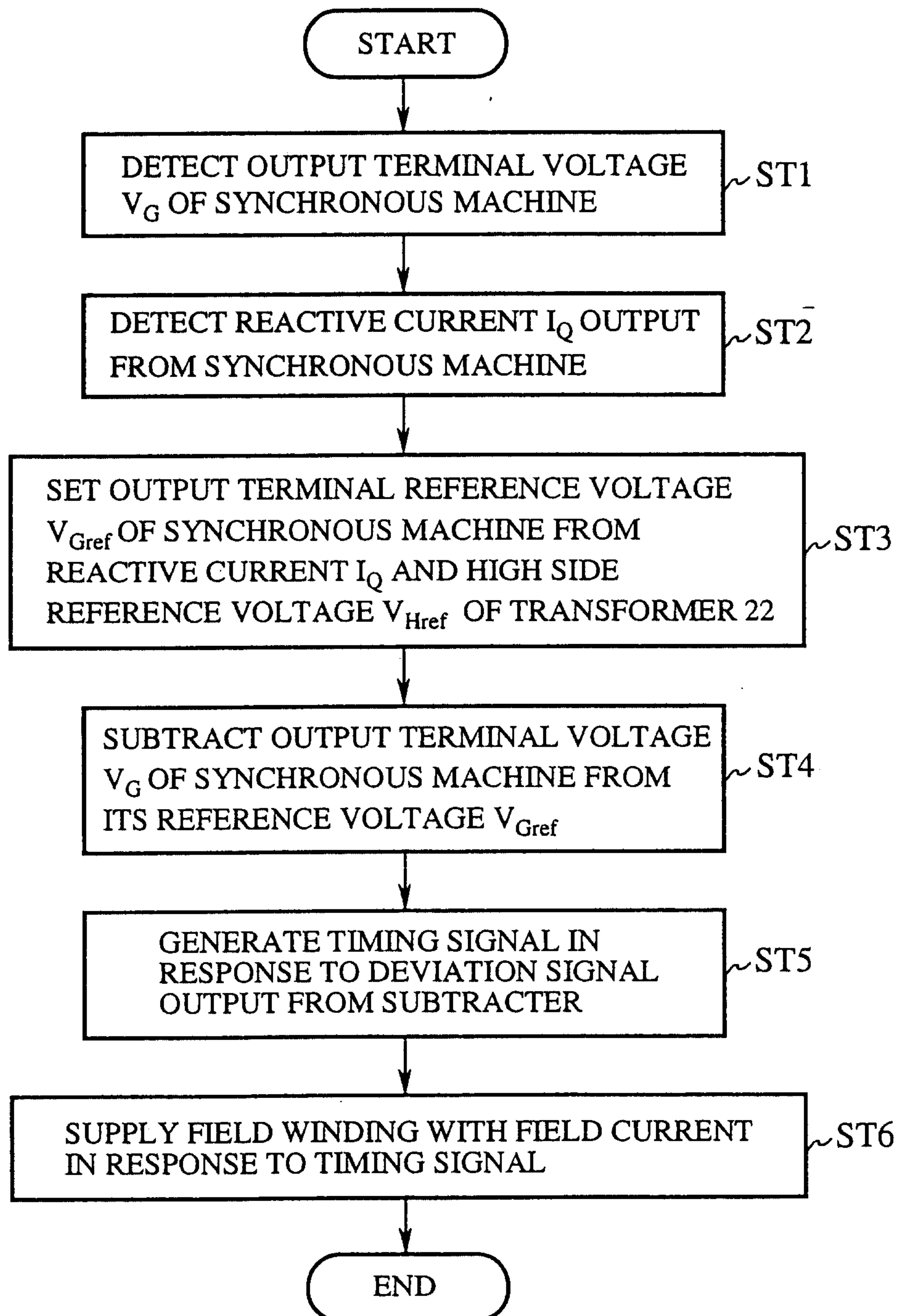


FIG.3

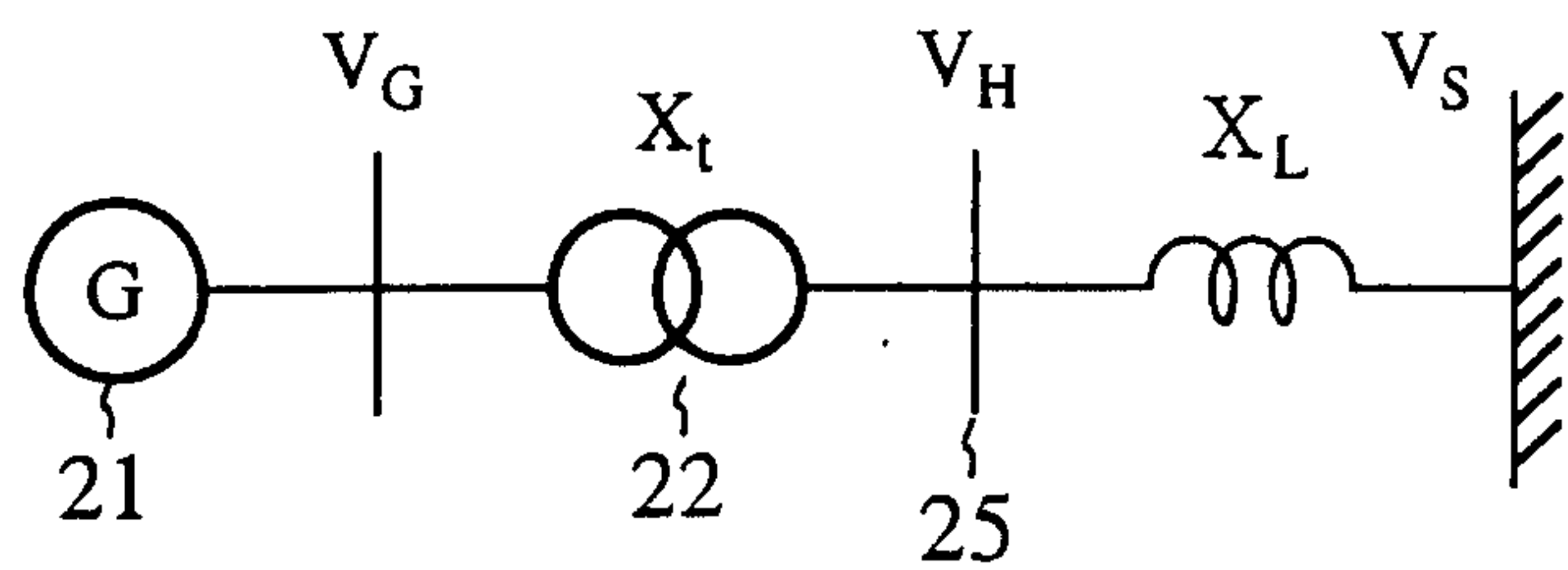


FIG.4

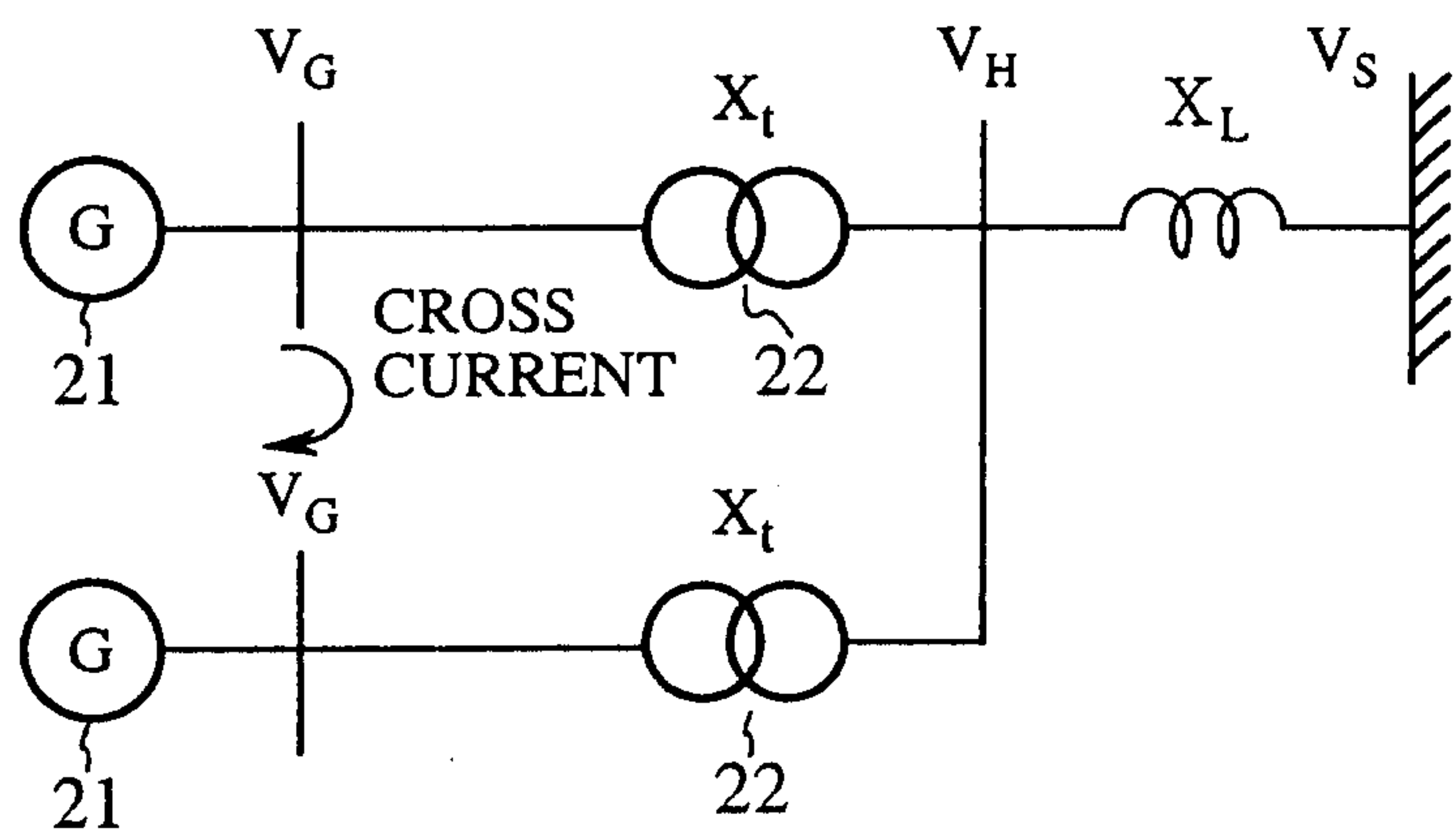
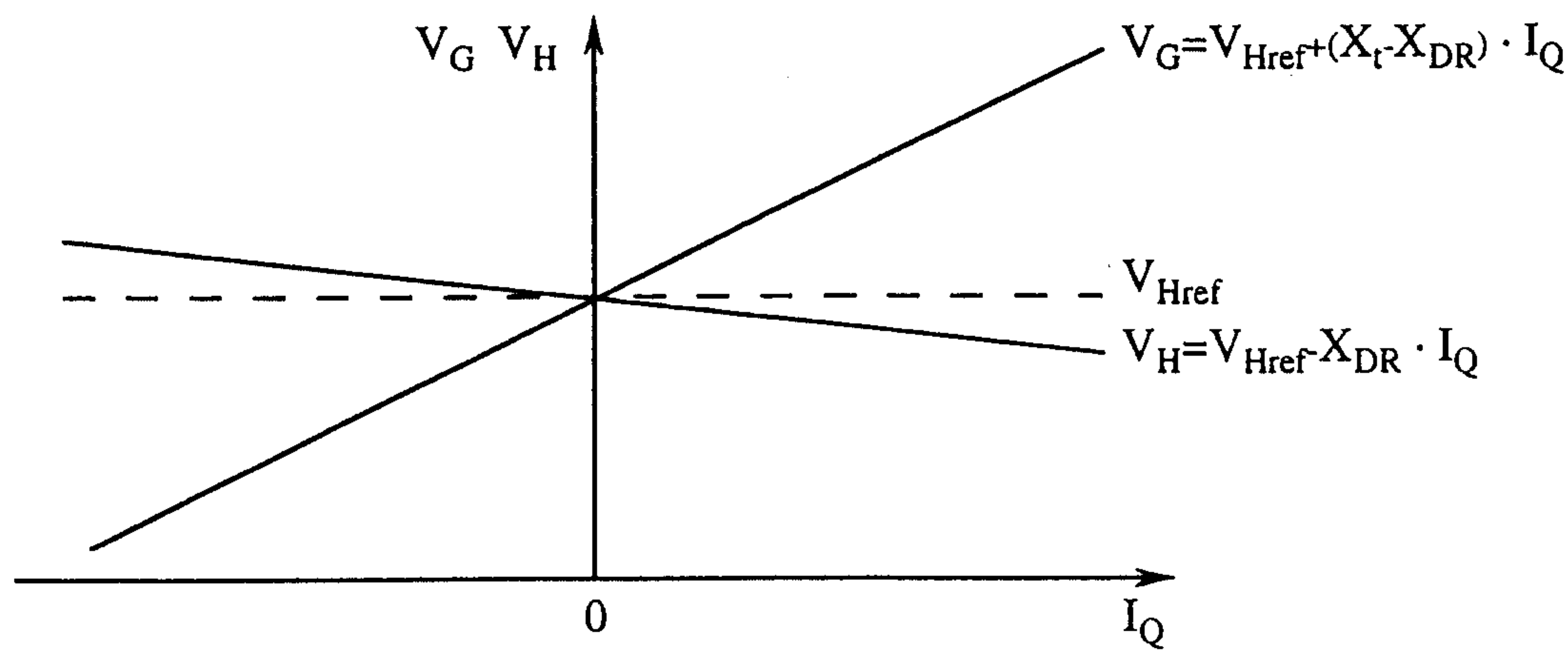


FIG.5



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FIG.6

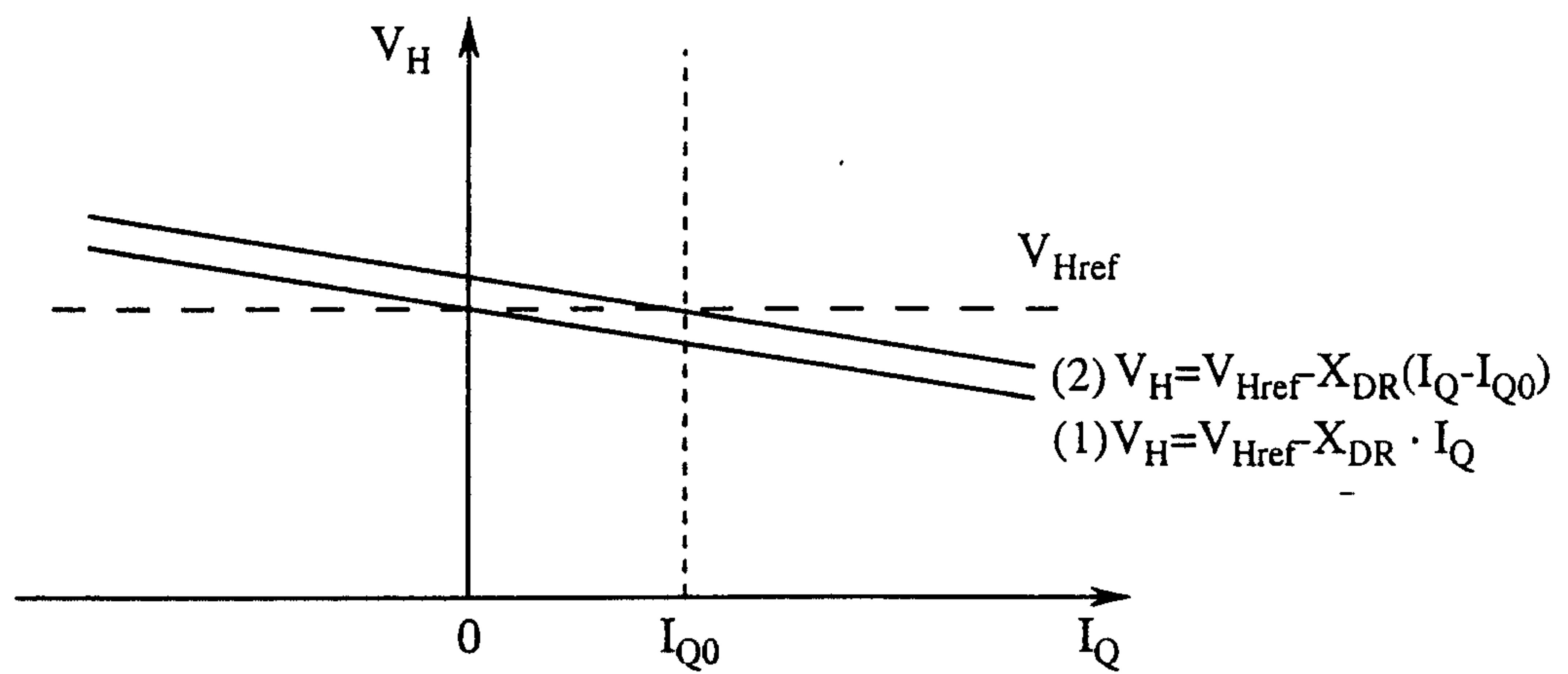
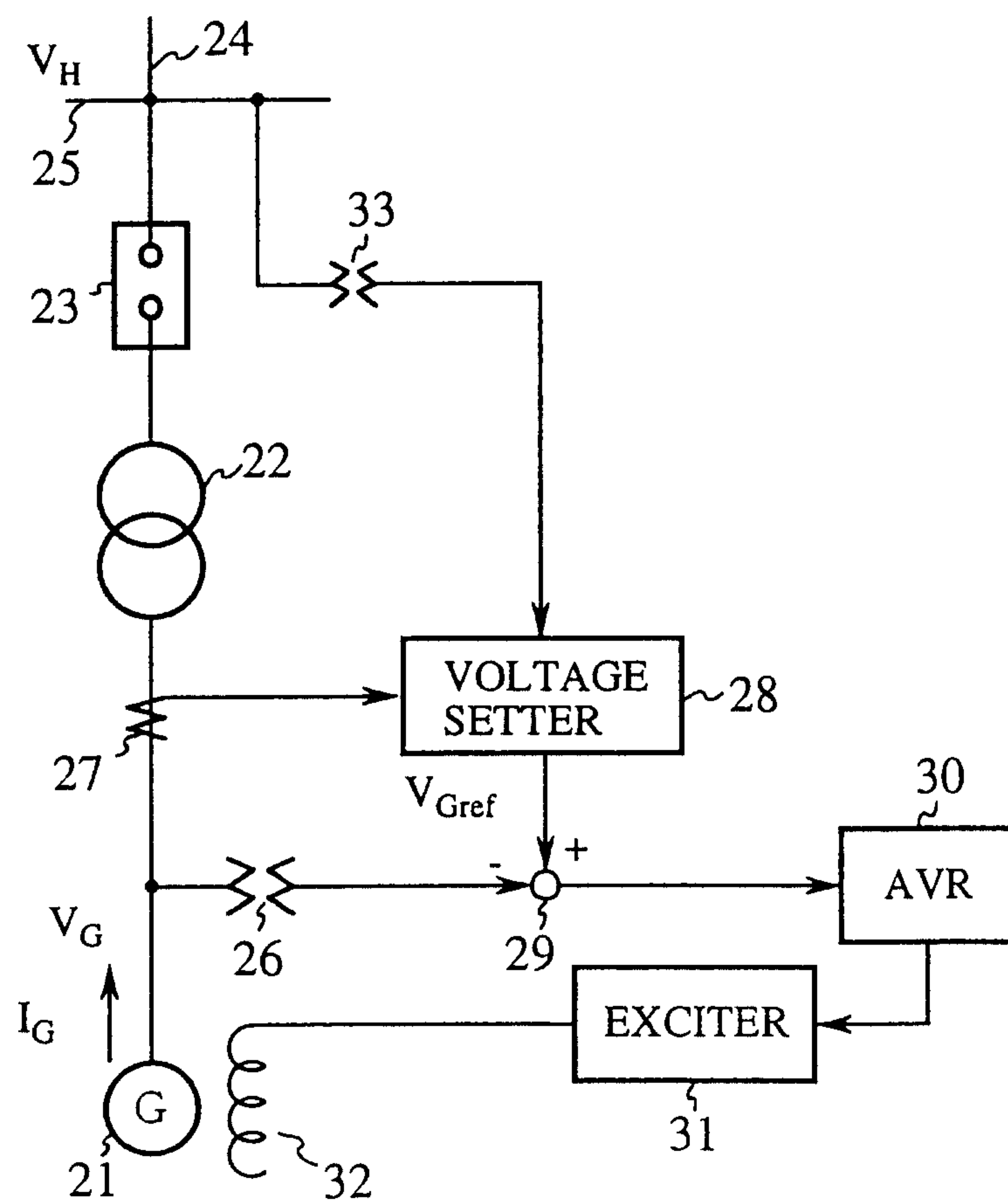


FIG.7



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FIG.8(PRIOR ART)

