

# 33-Synchronous Generators Part 2

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Electromechanical Energy Conversion

## Overview

- Salient Pole Generator
- Equivalent Circuit
- Power Relationship
- External Characteristic

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## Power Relationship

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## Salient Pole Generator

- Previous lecture assumed a round (cylindrical rotor)
  - Air gap remains uniform
  - Constant reluctance around periphery
- Salient pole generators
  - Significantly larger air gap between rotor poles

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## Salient Pole Generator

- Recall:  $L = \frac{N^2}{\mathfrak{R}}$
- Reluctance of a-phase coil smaller in position A than in position B
  - Leakage reactance greater in position A
  - Cannot model as single reactance
  - Similar results for b-phase, c-phase

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## Equivalent Circuit

- Recall that  $X_s$  models leakage and armature reactance in cylindrical rotor generators
- Cylindrical rotor model will not suffice ( $X_s$  is not position dependent)
- $I_a$  will experience varying reactances as the rotor rotates

$$E_a = I_a R_a + jX_s I_a + V_a$$

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### Equivalent Circuit

- Split the reactance into two components
  - Direct axis (d-axis) synchronous reactance:  $X_d$
  - Quadrature axis (q-axis) synchronous reactance:  $X_q$
- q-axis leads d-axis by 90 degrees

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### Equivalent Circuit

- Armature current is resolved into two components:  $I_a = I_d + I_q$ 
  - $I_d$ : direct armature current (A)
  - $I_q$ : quadrature armature current (A)
- $I_d$  experiences  $X_d$ 
  - Causes voltage drop:  $jI_d X_d$
- $I_q$  experiences  $X_q$ 
  - Causes voltage drop:  $jI_q X_q$

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### Phasor Relationships

- $\phi_p$  in phase with d-axis
- $E_a$  is induced by  $\phi_p$  and lags it by 90 degrees:  $e = -N \frac{d\phi}{dt}$
- $I_d$  lags  $E_a$  by 90 degrees

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### Equivalent Circuit

- We can now write the circuit equation:
 
$$E_a = V_a + I_a R_a + jI_d X_d + jI_q X_q$$

Voltage drop due to d-, q-axis leakage reactance. Model as voltage source.

Cylindrical Rotor

$$E_a = I_a R_a + jX_s I_a + V_a$$

Salient-Pole Rotor

$$E_a = I_a R_a + jX_d I_d + jX_q I_q + V_a$$

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### Equivalent Circuit

- We want to express the relationship using armature current  $I_a$ 

$$E_a = V_a + I_a R_a + jI_d X_d + jI_q X_q$$
- We can express:
 
$$jI_q X_q = jI_a X_q + jI_d (X_d - X_q)$$
- Through substitution
 
$$E_a = V_a + I_a R_a + jI_a X_q + jI_d (X_d - X_q) + jI_d X_q$$

$$E_a = V_a + I_a R_a + jI_a X_q + jI_d (X_d - X_q) \quad (\text{Using: } I_a = I_d + I_q)$$

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### Equivalent Circuit

- Let:
 
$$E'_a \triangleq E_a - jI_d (X_d - X_q) \quad (\text{effective induced voltage})$$
- Circuit equation:
 
$$E'_a = V_a + I_a R_a + jI_a X_q$$
- Note:
  - $E'_a$  and  $E_a$  are in phase
  - Phase difference between  $E'_a$  and  $E_a$  with  $V_a$  is  $\delta$

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### Equivalent Circuit

- Phasor diagram with lagging power factor

$$\mathbf{E}_s = \mathbf{V}_a + \mathbf{I}_a R_a + j\mathbf{I}_a X_q$$

$$\mathbf{E}_s = \mathbf{V}_a + \mathbf{I}_a R_a + j\mathbf{I}_a X_q + j\mathbf{I}_d (X_d - X_q)$$

$$\mathbf{E}_s = \mathbf{E}_a + j\mathbf{I}_d (X_d - X_q)$$

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### Salient Pole Generator

- Power angle can be computed from:
 
$$\tan \delta = \frac{|\mathbf{I}_a| X_q \cos \phi_{FF} - |\mathbf{I}_a| R_a \sin \phi_{FF}}{|\mathbf{V}_a| + |\mathbf{I}_a| (R_a \cos \phi_{FF} + X_q \sin \phi_{FF})}$$
 (Inspecting the phasor diagram)
- $\mathbf{I}_d$  and  $\mathbf{I}_q$  are computed from  $\mathbf{I}_a$  :
 
$$\mathbf{I}_d = |\mathbf{I}_a| \sin(\delta + \phi_{FF}) \angle \delta - 90^\circ$$

$$\mathbf{I}_q = |\mathbf{I}_a| \cos(\delta + \phi_{FF}) \angle \delta$$
- Power output:
 
$$P_o = 3 \operatorname{Re}(\mathbf{V}_a \mathbf{I}_a^*) = 3 \operatorname{Re}(\mathbf{V}_a (\mathbf{I}_d + \mathbf{I}_q)) = 3 |\mathbf{V}_a| |\mathbf{I}_a| \cos \phi_{FF}$$

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### Approximate Power Relationship

- Ignoring armature resistance:
 
$$|\mathbf{I}_q| = \frac{|\mathbf{V}_a| \sin \delta}{X_q}$$

$$|\mathbf{I}_d| = \frac{|\mathbf{E}_s| - |\mathbf{V}_a| \cos \delta}{X_d}$$

$$\tan \delta = \frac{|\mathbf{I}_a| X_q \cos \phi_{FF}}{|\mathbf{V}_a| + |\mathbf{I}_a| X_q \sin \phi_{FF}}$$

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### Example

A salient-pole generator supplies 100MW at a power factor of 0.90 leading. The generator's line-line terminal voltage is 12kV and its parameters are  $X_d = 1\Omega$ ,  $X_q = 0.75\Omega$ .

Compute the power angle and the per-phase armature current.

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$$\mathbf{V}_a = \frac{12000}{\sqrt{3}} = 6928 \angle 0^\circ \text{V}$$

$$\phi_{FF} = -\cos^{-1}(0.90) = -25.8^\circ$$

$$\mathbf{S}_a = \frac{100}{3 \times 0.9} \angle -25.8^\circ = 37.04 \angle -25.8^\circ \text{MVA}$$

$$\mathbf{I}_a = \left(\frac{\mathbf{S}_a}{\mathbf{V}_a}\right)^* = 534.6 \angle 25.8^\circ \text{A}$$

$$\tan \delta = \frac{|\mathbf{I}_a| X_q \cos \phi_{FF}}{|\mathbf{V}_a| + |\mathbf{I}_a| X_q \sin \phi_{FF}} = 0.389$$

$$\delta = 21.29^\circ$$

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### Approximate Power Relationship

- Approximate power output:
 
$$P_o = 3 \operatorname{Re}(\mathbf{V}_a \mathbf{I}_a^*) = 3 |\mathbf{V}_a| \operatorname{Re}((\mathbf{I}_d + \mathbf{I}_q)^*)$$
 Substitute for current using:
 
$$\mathbf{I}_d = |\mathbf{I}_q| \angle \delta - 90^\circ = |\mathbf{I}_q| \sin \delta - j |\mathbf{I}_q| \cos \delta$$

$$\mathbf{I}_q = |\mathbf{I}_q| \sin \delta - j |\mathbf{I}_q| \cos \delta$$

$$\mathbf{I}_a = |\mathbf{I}_q| \angle \delta = |\mathbf{I}_q| \cos \delta + j |\mathbf{I}_q| \sin \delta$$

$$\mathbf{I}_a^* = |\mathbf{I}_q| \cos \delta - j |\mathbf{I}_q| \sin \delta$$
 Therefore:
 
$$P_o = 3 |\mathbf{V}_a| (|\mathbf{I}_q| \cos \delta + |\mathbf{I}_q| \sin \delta)$$

$$= 3 |\mathbf{V}_a| \left( \frac{|\mathbf{V}_a| \sin \delta \cos \delta}{X_q} + \frac{|\mathbf{E}_s| \sin \delta}{X_d} - \frac{|\mathbf{V}_a| \cos \delta \sin \delta}{X_d} \right)$$

**Recall:**

$$|\mathbf{I}_q| = \frac{|\mathbf{V}_a| \sin \delta}{X_q} \quad (\text{in phase with } \mathbf{E}_s)$$

$$|\mathbf{I}_d| = \frac{|\mathbf{E}_s| - |\mathbf{V}_a| \cos \delta}{X_d} \quad (\text{lags } \mathbf{E}_s \text{ by } 90^\circ)$$

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### Approximate Power Relationship

- Continuing:

$$P_o = 3|V_a| \left( \frac{|V_a| \sin(\delta) \cos(\delta)}{X_q} + \frac{|E_a| \sin(\delta) - |V_a| \cos(\delta) \sin(\delta)}{X_d} \right)$$

$$= \frac{3|V_a||E_a| \sin(\delta)}{X_d} + 3|V_a| \left( \frac{|V_a| \sin(2\delta)}{2X_q} - \frac{|V_a| \sin(2\delta)}{2X_d} \right)$$

$$= \frac{3|V_a||E_a| \sin(\delta)}{X_d} + 3|V_a| \left( \frac{X_d|V_a| \sin(2\delta) - X_q|V_a| \sin(2\delta)}{2X_d X_q} \right)$$

$$= \frac{3|V_a||E_a| \sin(\delta)}{X_d} + \frac{3(X_d - X_q)|V_a|^2 \sin(2\delta)}{2X_d X_q}$$

Important result

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### Approximate Power Relationship

- Approximate power developed:

$$P_d = \underbrace{\frac{3|V_a||E_a| \sin \delta}{X_d}}_{\text{power developed by cylindrical-rotor}} + \underbrace{\frac{3(X_d - X_q)}{2X_d X_q} |V_a|^2 \sin(2\delta)}_{\text{effect of saliency}}$$

- Approximate torque developed:

$$T_d = \underbrace{\frac{3|V_a||E_a| \sin \delta}{X_d \omega_s}}_{\text{torque developed by cylindrical-rotor}} + \underbrace{\frac{3(X_d - X_q)}{2X_d X_d \omega_s} |V_a|^2 \sin(2\delta)}_{\text{effect of saliency}}$$

Salient pole: greater power and torque for  $\delta$  less than 90 deg.

Note: since  $R_a$  is ignored, power developed = power output

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### Power Relationship

If the field current is zero, but the generator is synchronized to the grid (terminal voltage is constant), does a salient-pole generator rotate?

$$P_d = \frac{3|V_a||E_a| \sin \delta}{X_d} + \frac{3(X_d - X_q)}{2X_d X_q} |V_a|^2 \sin(2\delta)$$

$$T_d = \frac{3|V_a||E_a| \sin \delta}{X_d \omega_s} + \frac{3(X_d - X_q)}{2X_d X_d \omega_s} |V_a|^2 \sin(2\delta)$$

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### Power Relationship

If the field current is zero, but the generator is synchronized to the grid (terminal voltage is constant), does a salient-pole generator rotate?

Yes.  $I_a$  is negative (from grid into generator).  $\delta$  will be negative since  $|V_a| > |I_a|X_q \sin \theta_{PF}$ . Negative  $\delta$  implies developed power is negative, hence the generator acts as a motor, even without excitation.

$$\tan \delta = \frac{|I_a| X_q \cos \theta_{PF}}{|V_a| + |I_a| X_d \sin \theta_{PF}}$$

$$P_d = \frac{3|V_a||0| \sin \delta}{X_d} + \frac{3(X_d - X_q)}{2X_d X_q} |V_a|^2 \sin(2\delta) \neq 0$$

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### Summary

- Salient pole generators provide greater power and torque at power angles less than 90 degrees
- Non-uniformity in reluctance requires decoupling of model into d-axis and q-axis
- Power and torque developed due to excitation and saliency of rotor

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