


36-Single Phase Motors


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Electromechanical Energy Conversion
Text: 10.1-10.2, 10.4, 10.7-10.8



Overview

- Single Phase Induction Motors
- Universal Motors


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Introduction

- Majority (~90%) of motors are powered by single phase supplies
 - Households
 - Small businesses
 - Specialty locomotive applications
- Usually <1hp (746W)
- Disadvantages: pulsating torque

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Introduction

Basic Types of Single-Phase AC Motors


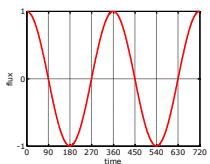
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Single Phase Induction Motors

- Recall: poly-phase induction motors use rotating magnetic field to cause rotation
- Single phase supplies produce stationary fields
 - Non-rotational
 - Pulsates with time
- Stator windings are distributed
- Squirrel-cage rotor

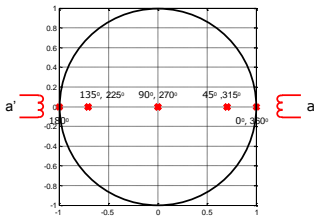



stationary, pulsating field

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Single Phase Induction Motors



Flux magnitude and direction at $\omega t = 0, 45, 90, \dots 360$ deg

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Single Phase Induction Motors

- Single phase induction motors do not inherently self start
- Force experienced by conductors cancel
 - Behaves like a stationary transformer with secondary shorted

assume ϕ_a is increasing

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Single Phase Induction Motors

- Once a single-phase induction motor begins rotating, it will continue
 - See text 10.2 and "cross-field theory"
- We will focus on methods of starting the motor
- Need to create a temporary pseudo-revolving field
 - Split-phase motor
 - Capacitor start motor
 - Capacitor start, capacitor run motor
 - Capacitor run motor
 - Shaded pole motor

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Single Phase Induction Motors

Does this arrangement create a revolving field?

rotor

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Split-Phase Motors

- Idea: use impedance to create two circuit branches with differing phases
- Main winding: lower resistance, high inductance
- Auxiliary winding: higher resistance, lower inductance
- Disconnect auxiliary winding via centrifugal switch at approx. 75% of rated speed (avoid copper loss)

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Split-Phase Motors

- Auxiliary and main winding currents not necessarily equal
- Phase difference (α) $\sim 25^\circ$
 - Small value, lower starting torque
- Revolving field is unbalanced
- Rotation direction can be reversed by reversing connections to auxiliary winding

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Split-Phase Motors

Auxiliary winding

Main winding

ϕ_{aux}

ϕ_{main}

Note: do not confuse direction with phase

Flux magnitude and position (both windings connected)

flux rotation

Unbalanced rotation, small starting torque

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Split Phase Motors

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Capacitor Start

- Same concept as split-phase motor, except use electrolytic capacitor to obtain greater phase shift (~80°) in windings
 - higher starting torque than split phase
 - more expensive than split phase
- Less current than split-phase
- Main winding identical to split phase
- Applications:
 - 120W to 7.5kW
 - Compressors, large fans, pumps, high-inertia loads

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Capacitor Start

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Capacitor Start Motors

Auxiliary winding

Main winding

ϕ_{aux}

ϕ_{main}

Note: do not confuse direction with phase

Flux magnitude and position (both windings connected)

flux rotation

Nearly-balanced rotation, higher starting torque

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Capacitor Start Motors

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Capacitor Start Capacitor Run

- Split phase and capacitor start induction motors have low power factor at rated speed (aux. winding disconnected)
 - Low efficiency (50% – 60%)
- Solution: improve power factor by utilizing two capacitors
 - Start capacitor: sized based on desired starting torque
 - Run capacitor: sized based on desired running characteristics
- Higher cost motor (switch, two capacitors)

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Capacitor Start Capacitor Run

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Capacitor Start Capacitor Run

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Capacitor Run Motors

- Idea: leave capacitor and auxiliary winding permanently connected to source
- Trade-off between starting and running characteristics
 - Optimized for running characteristics
- Two windings permanently connected leads to:
 - Consistent torque
 - Quiet operation
 - Greater efficiency
- Applications: fans, air conditioners, refrigerators

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Capacitor Run Motors

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Shaded Pole Motor

- Idea: shift flux using transformer action to create rotating field
- Simple, inexpensive construction
- Low starting torque, power factor, efficiency
- Rotation cannot be changed
- Often used in small horsepower applications (~40W)
 - Turntables, projectors, small fans

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Shaded Pole Motor

- Main winding connected to single-phase source
- Induced current in shaded pole creates flux that opposes change in flux
- Slight phase difference between main and shaded poles

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Shaded Pole Motor

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Universal Motors

- Powered by AC or DC
 - Similar torque-speed characteristic in either case
- Similar construction as DC Series motor
 - Brushes, commutator
- Similar torque-speed characteristic as DC series motor
- Applications:
 - fractional horsepower motors
 - power tools (e.g. dremmel)
 - vacuum cleaners

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Universal Motors

- Circuit Model
 - Torque proportional to I_a^2

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Universal Motors

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Drawbacks of Universal Motors

- Poles and yoke should be laminated
 - AC fields present, minimize core loss
- Voltage drops and reactive power consumption due to field and armature inductances
 - Decrease number of windings and increase number of armature conductors
- Additional armature conductors increases armature reaction
- Additional sparking of commutator brushes due to transformer action

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Universal Motors Advantages

- Suitable for AC or DC operation
- AC motor with potential for high speed operation (>3600 rpm)
- Speed adjusts to load
 - Large load: low speed
 - Small load: high speed