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Transformer Theory and Operation

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Principle: Stationary coils, time varying flux due to ac current flow. Flux produced by one coil must link to other coil to induce voltage

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- 1) All flux produced in the primary coil links to the secondary coil
- 2) no core losses due to hysteresis or eddy currents
- 3) no power losses
- 4) permeability is infinite (no saturation no magnetizing ϕ)
- 5) windings have zero resistance
- 6) no current required to magnetize the iron core



Voltage relationship for Ideal transformer

Voltage ratio equals the turns ratio

Where: E'_p = voltage induced in the primary (V) E'_s = voltage induced in the secondary (V) N_p = turns in the primary coil N_s = turns in the secondary coil

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$$a = \frac{V_{pr}}{V_{sr}} = \frac{2400}{120} = 20$$
$$V_{sr} = \frac{V_{pr}}{a} = \frac{2300}{20} = 115 V$$
$$U_{sr} = \frac{115 \text{ KVA}}{a} = 1000 \text{ A}$$

$$\begin{aligned} |Z_{\rm s}| &= \frac{115 \, V}{1000 \, A} = 0.115 \, \Omega \\ \phi &= \cos^{-1}(0.723) = -43.70 \\ Z_{\rm s} &= 0.115 \, \angle -43.70 \, \Omega \\ Z_{\rm p} &= a^2 \, * 0.115 \, \angle -43.70 \, \Omega \\ &= 400 \, * 0.115 \, \angle -43.70 \, \Omega \\ &= 46 \, \angle -43.70 \, \Omega \end{aligned}$$

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 I_{S} –

115 V

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Practical transformers draw current with no load connected to secondary winding. Current caused by two non-ideal conditions: power losses and core magnetization



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Shell type

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Core type

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 R_{fe} = resistance that represents the core losses X_m = inductive reactance that represents the core magnetizing L

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- c) Repeat parts a and b if the transformer is energized from the secondary (low voltage) side.

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Apparent Power =
$$\frac{248}{0.187}$$
 = 1326.2 VA I_M = 0.1842 Sin 79.2 ° A = 0.1809 A
 $|I_0| = \frac{1326.2}{7200} = 0.1842 A$ $I_{fe} = 0.1842 \cos 79.2 ° A = 0.0345 A$
 $\phi = -\cos^{-1}(0.187) = -79.2^{\circ}$ $R_{fe} = \frac{7200}{0.0345} = 209032 \Omega$
 $I_0 = 0.1842 \angle -79.2 ° A$ $X_M = \frac{7200}{0.1809}$

Transformer Voltage Regulation

The output voltage of a transformer varies with the load even if the input voltage remains constant. This is because a real transformer has series impedance within it. Full load Voltage Regulation is a quantity that compares the output voltage at no load with the output voltage at full load, defined by this equation:

Regulation up =
$$\frac{V_{S,nl} - V_{S,fl}}{V_{S,fl}} \times 100\%$$
 At noload k = $\frac{V_s}{V_p}$
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Ideal transformer, VR = 0%.

Transformer Efficiency

Transformer efficiency is defined as (applies to motors, generators and transformers):

$$\eta = \frac{P_{out}}{P_{in}} \times 100\%$$
$$\eta = \frac{P_{out}}{P_{out} + P_{loss}} \times 100\%$$

Types of losses incurred in a transformer:

Copper I²R losses

Hysteresis losses

Eddy current losses

Therefore, for a transformer, efficiency may be calculated using the following:

$$\eta = \frac{V_S I_S \cos\theta}{P_{Cu} + P_{core} + V_S I_S \cos\theta} x100\%$$

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