UNIT-IV ELECTRICAL MACHINES

THREE PHASE INDUCTION MOTOR

An electric motor is a device, which converts electrical energy into mechanical energy. Motors can operate on ac supply, single phase as well as three phase, called as ac motors.

Ac motors are further classified as synchronous motors, single phase & three phase induction motors and some special purpose motors.

Out of all these types, three phase induction motors are commonly used for various applications in industries. The principle of operation of three phase induction motors is based on the production of rotating magnetic field.

Construction of Induction Motor:

Conversion of electrical power into mechanical power takes place in the rotating part of an electric motor. In dc motors, electrical power is conducted directly to the armature (rotating part) through brushes and commutator. Hence a dc motor can be called as a conduction motor.

However, in ac motors the rotor does not receive electric power by conduction but by induction in exactly the same way as the secondary of a 2-winding transformer receives its power from the primary. That is why such motors are known as Induction motors.

An induction motor can be treated as a rotating transformer i.e., one in which primary winding is stationary but the secondary is free to rotate.

Construction:

An induction motor consists essentially of two main parts.

- 1. Stator
- 2. Rotor

Stator is the stationary part and rotor is the rotating part.

Stator:

Stator is made up of a number of stampings which are slotted to receive the windings. The stator carries a 3- phase winding and is fed from a 3-phase supply. It is wound for a definite number of poles, the exact number of poles being determined by the requirements of speed. Greater the number of poles, lesser the speed and vice versa. The stator windings when supplied with $3-\phi$ currents produce a magnetic flux which is of constant magnitude but which revolves at synchronous-speed given by $N_s = 120f/p$. This revolving magnetic flux induces an emf in the rotor by mutual induction.

Rotor:

- a. Squirrel-Cage rotor: Motors employing this type of rotor are known as squirrel cage induction motors.
- b. Phase-wound or wound rotor (**Slip-Ring rotor)**: Motors employing this type of rotor are known as phase-wound motors or wound motors or slip-ring motors.

Squirrel-Cage Rotor:

90% of induction motors are squirrel-cage type, because this type of rotor has the simplest and most rugged construction. The rotor consists of a cylindrical laminated core with parallel slots for carrying the rotor conductors and these slots are not wires but consists of heavy bars

of copper, aluminum or alloys. The rotor bars are permanently short-circuited on themselves. Hence, it is not possible to add any external resistance in series with rotor circuit for staring purposes. One bar is placed in each slot. The rotor bars are brazed or electrically welded or bolted to two heavy and stout short circuiting end rings thus giving a squirrel-cage construction.

The rotor slots are usually not quite parallel to the shaft but are purposely given a slight skew. This is useful as:

- a) it helps to make the motor run quietly by reducing the magnetic hum
- b) it helps in reducing the locking tendency of the rotor i.e., the tendency of the rotor teeth to remain under the stator teeth due to direct magnetic attraction between the two.

Phase-wound Rotor (or) Slip-Ring motor:

This type of rotor is provided with $3-\phi$, double-layer, distributed winding consisting of coils. The rotor is wound for as many poles as the number of stator poles and is always wound 3 phase even when the stator is wound two-phase. The three-phases are starred internally and the construction is complicated.

The slip rings are mounted on the shaft. One end of each phase winding, after connecting the winding in star or delta is connected to the slip ring. Thus there are three slip rings mounted on the shaft with brushes resting on them. These three brushes are further externally connected to three phase star connected rheostat. This makes possible the introduction of additional resistance in the rotor circuit during the starting period for increasing the starting torque of the motor. When running under normal conditions, the slip-rings are automatically short-circuited by means of a metal collar which is pushed along the shaft and connects all the rings together. Next, the brushes are automatically lifted from the slip rings to reduce the frictional losses & the wear & tear & hence under normal running conditions, the wound rotor is short-circuited on itself just like the squirrel cage rotor.

The main parts of a slip-ring motor are:

- 1. Frame-made of cast-iron
- 2. Stator and Rotor core made of high quality low loss silicon steel laminations and with enhanced insulation.
- 3. Stator and rotor windings- More moisture proof insulation embodying mica and high quality varnish.
- 4. Shafts and bearings: Ball and roller bearings are used to suit heavy duty trouble free running.
- 5. Fans: Light aluminum fans are used for adequate circulation of cooling air.
- 6. Slip-rings and Slip ring enclosures: Slip-rings are made of high quality phosphor-bronze and are of moulded construction.

Principle of operation:

When the 3- ϕ stator windings are fed by 3- ϕ supply then a rotating magnetic field of constant magnitude is produced. This field rotates at synchronous speed N_s . This rotating flux cuts the rotor conductors which are stationary and due to relative speed between the rotating flux and the stationary conductors, an emf is induced in the latter according to Faraday's law of Electromagnetic induction.

The frequency of the induced emf is the same as the supply frequency. Its magnitude is proportional to the relative velocity between the flux and the conductors and its direction is given by Fleming's right hand rule.

Since the rotor bars or conductors form a closed circuit, rotor current is produced in the rotor bars in case of squirrel cage or in the rotor phases in the case of slip ring whose direction as given by Lenz's law is such as to oppose the very cause producing it.

The rotor currents and the stator magnetic field interact with each other to produce a torque and hence the rotor rotates.

Hence, the very cause of producing the current is the relative speed between the rotating field and the stationary rotor and to reduce this relative speed, the motor starts running in the same direction as that of the flux and tries to catch up.

Rotating Magnetic Field (RMF):

It is defined as the field or flux having constant amplitude but whose axis rotates in a plane at a certain speed eg. permanent magnet rotating in a space produces a rotating magnetic field. If an arrangement is made to rotate the poles, with constant excitation supplied, the resulting field is rotating magnetic field. Such a rotating magnetic field can also be produced by exciting a set of stationary coils or windings with the help of ac supply. The resultant flux produced in such a case has constant magnitude and its axis rotates in space without physically rotating the windings. The rotating flux or rotating magnetic field also bears a fixed relationship between number of poles, frequency of ac supply and speed of rotation.

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N_{s=1} \frac{120f}{p}
$$

Hence rotating magnetic field always rotates with a speed equal to synchronous speed. When three phase supply is given to the stationary three phase winding, the resultant flux produced is rotating in space having constant amplitude and with synchronous speed N_s which depends on frequency of three phase supply and the number of poles for which the three phase stationary winding is wound. This flux is *rotating magnetic field*.

Production of Rotating Field:

When the stationary coils, wound for two or three phases, are supplied by two or three-phase supply respectively, a uniformly-rotating (revolving) magnetic flux of constant value is produced.

Two-phase supply:

The principle of a $2-\phi$, 2-pole stator having two identical windings 90 space degrees apart is shown:

The flux due to the current flowing in each phase winding is assumed sinusoidal and is shown below. The assigned positive directions of fluxes are shown below.

Three-phase Supply:

When three-phase windings are displaced in time by 120^0 , then they produce a resultant magnetic flux, which rotates in space as if actual magnetic poles were being rotated mechanically. The principle of a $3-\phi$ two-pole stator having three identical windings placed 120^0 space degrees apart is shown.

Hence, we conclude that:

- 1. The resultant flux is of constant value = $3/2 \phi_m$ i.e., 1.5 times the maximum value of the flux due to any phase.
- 2. The resultant flux rotates around the stator at synchronous speed given by $N_s = 120 f/p$

Slip:

The rotor never succeeds in catching up with the stator field because if it really did so, then there would be no relative speed, no emf, no rotor current and hence no torque. The rotor falls back behind the magnetic field by a certain speed which is necessary for the operation of an induction motor and the difference in speed depends upon the load on the motor.

The difference between the synchronous speed N_s and the actual speed N of the rotor is known as slip speed.

 $%$ slip $s =$ *NS N NS*

 $N_s - N =$ slip speed

 $N = N_s (1 - s)$

The revolving flux is rotating synchronously relative to the stator (i.e., stationary space) but at slip speed relative to the rotor.

Frequency of rotor current:

When the rotor is stationary the frequency of rotor current is the same as the supply frequency. But when the rotor starts revolving, then the frequency depends upon the relative speed or on slip-speed.

Let at any slip-speed, the frequency of the rotor current be f'. Then

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N_s - N = 120 f/P
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N_s = 120 f/P
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$$
f'/f = N_s - N/N_s = s
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$$
f' = sf
$$

Motor current has a frequency of $f' = s f$ and when flowing through the individual phases of rotating winding give rise to rotor magnetic fields.

These individual rotor magnetic fields produce a combined rotating field whose speed relative to rotor is

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120f'/P = 120Sf/P = SNs
$$

However, the rotor itself is rotating at speed N with respect to space. Hence speed of rotor field in space = speed of field relative to rotor $+$ speed of rotor relative to space:

 $= SN_s + N = SN_s + N_s (1-S) = N_s$

Whatever may be the value of slip, rotor current and stator currents each produce a sinusoidally distributed magnetic field of N_s.

That is, both the rotor and stator fields rotate synchronously which means that they are stationary w.r.t. each other.

PROBLEMS:

1. A 3 –phase I. M. is wound for 4 poles and is supplied from 50 Hz system. Calculate (1) Synchronous-speed (2) rotor speed, when slip is 4% (3) rotor frequency when rotor runs at 600 rpm.

 $N_s = 120f/P = 120 \times 50/4 = 1500$ rpm $N_s = N_s (1-s) = 1500 (1-0.04) = 1440$ rpm When rotor speed is 600 rpm, slip is $s = (N_s - N)/N_s = (1500 - 600)/1500 = 0.6$

Rotor current frequency $f' = sf = 0.6 \times 50 = 30$ Hz

2. A 3- ϕ 6-pole 50Hz induction motor has a slip of 1% at no load and of 3% at full load. Find (A) synchronous speed (B) no – load speed (C) full-load speed. (D) frequency of rotor–current at stand still and (E) frequency of rotor-current at full-load

 $P = 6$, $f = 50$ Hz S = 0.01 at no load, S = 0.03 at full load

- A) Synchronous speed $N_s = 120f/P = 120 \times 50/60 = 1000$ rpm
- B) No-load speed $N = N_s(1-s) = 1000 (1-0.01) = 990$ rpm
- C) Full load speed = $N = N_s (1-s) = 1000 (1-0.03) = 970$ rpm
- D) At standstill, S= 1 therefore, the rotor-current frequency $f_r = f.S. = 50x$ $1=50$ Hz
- E) At full-load $S = 0.03$, $f_r = f S = 50 \times 0.03 = 1.5$ Hz
- 3. A 12-pole 50 Hz $3.$ ϕ I. M. runs at 485 rpm what is the frequency of rotor current.

 $P = 12$, $f = 50$, $N = 485$ rpm $N_s = 120f/P = 120x50/P = 500$ rpm $S = N_s - N = 500 - 485/500 = 0.03 = 3\%$ $f_r = S.f. = 50 \times 0.03 = 1.5$ Hz

Relation between Torque and Rotor Power factor:

In case of dc motor, the torque T_a is proportional to the product of armature current and flux per pole i.e. $T_a \alpha I_a \phi$.

In case of an Induction motors the torque is also proportional to the product of flux per stator pole and the rotor current. There is one more factor that has to be taken into account i.e., the power factor of rotor.

 $T \alpha \phi I_2 \cos \phi_2$ or T = K ϕ I₂ cos ϕ ₂

Where I_2 = rotor current at stand still

 ϕ_2 = angle between rotor emf and rotor current $k = constant$

Let the rotor emf at stand still be E_2 .

 $E_2 \alpha \phi$ $T \alpha E_2 I_2 \cos \phi_2$ $T = k_1 E_2 I_2 \cos \phi_2$

The effect of rotor power factor on motor torque for various values of ϕ_2 is shown from the above equation of torque, it is clear that as ϕ_2 increases then cos ϕ_2 decreases & hence torque decreases and vice versa.

Torque = Turning or twisting moment force about an axis.

The torque developed by the motor at the instant of starting is called starting torque.

In some cases, it is greater than the normal running torque whereas in some other cases it is somewhat less.

Let E_2 = rotor emf per phase at standstill

 $Z_2 = R\hat{Z} + X\hat{Z}$ = rotor impedance / phase at standstill. $I_2 = E_2/Z_2 = E_2/R \frac{2}{7}+X \frac{2}{7}$; $\cos \phi_2 = (R_2/Z_2) = R_2/(R_2^2 + X_2^2)$ R_2 = rotor resistance / phase X_2 = rotor reactance/ phase at standstill. Starting torque $T_{st} = K_1 E_2 I_2 \cos \phi_2$.

 T_{st} = K₂ R₂/R $^{\frac{3}{2}}$ + x $^{\frac{3}{2}}$ = K₂/R₂ Z₂ where k₂ is some other constant. If supply voltage V is constant, then the flux ϕ and hence E_2 both are constant

Starting torque of a squirrel cage motor:

The resistance of a squirrel-cage rotor is fixed & small as compared to its reactance which is very large especially at the start because at stand till, the frequency of the motor currents equals the supply frequency. Hence the starting current I_2 of the rotor though very large in magnitude lags by a very large angle behind E_2 , with the result that the starting torque per ampere is very poor. It is roughly 1.5 times the full load torque although the starting current is 5 to 7 times the full-load current. Hence, such motors are not useful where the motor has to

start against heavy loads.

Starting torque of a slip-ring motor:

The starting torque of such a motor is increased by increasing its power factor by adding external resistance in the rotor circuit from the star connected rheostat, the rheostat resistance being progressively cut out as the motor gains speed.

Addition of external resistance, however, increases the rotor impedance and so reduces the rotor current. At first, the effect of improved power factor predominates the currentdecreasing effect of impedance. Hence, starting torque is increased.

But after a certain point, the effect of increased impedance predominates the effect of improved power factor and so the torque starts decreases.

Torque – Slip Characteristics:

As an induction motor is loaded from no load to full load, its speed decreases hence slip increases. Due to increased load, motor has to produce motor torque to satisfy load demand. The torque ultimately depends on slip as explained earlier. The behavior of motor can be easily judged by sketching a curve obtained by plotting torque produced against slip of induction motor. The curve obtained by plotting torque against slip from $S = 1$ at start) to $S =$ 0 (at synchronous speed) is called torque – slip characteristics of the induction motor. It is very interesting to study the nature of torque – slip characteristics.

We have seen that for a constant supply voltage E2 is also constant. So we can write torque

2 equations as, T $_{\alpha}$ sR₂ $R^2 + (sX_2)^2$

Now to judge the nature of torque – slip characteristics let us divide the slip range ($S = 0$ to S $= 1$) into two parts and analyze them independently.

Speed

as compared to R 2 that it can be neglected. i) Low slip region: In low slip region, `S' is very small. Due to this, the term $(SX_2)^2$ is so small

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T \frac{\text{S}R_2}{R^2} \alpha S
$$
 as R₂ is constant

Hence in low slip region, torque is directly proportional to slip. So as load increases, speed decreases, increasing the slip. This increases the torque which satisfies the load demand. Hence, the graph is straight line in nature.

At N = N_s , s = 0 hence T = 0. As no torque is generated at N = N_s , motor stops if it tries to achieve the synchronous speed. Torque increases linearly in this region of low slip values.

ii) High slip region: In this region, slip is high i.e. slip value is approaching to 1. Here it can be assumed that the term R₂² is very small as compared (s X_2)². Hence neglecting the term

 R_2^2 from the denominator, we get,

$$
T \alpha \frac{SR_2}{(S X_2)^2} \alpha \frac{1}{S}
$$
, Where R₂ and X₂ are constants.
(S X₂)² S

So in this region, torque is inversely proportional to the slip. Hence its nature is like rectangular hyperbola. Now when load increases, load demand increases but speed decreases. As speed decreases, slip increases. In high slip region as T α 1/S, torque decreases as slip increases. But torque must increase to satisfy the load demand. As torque decreases due to extra loading effect speed further decreases and slip further increases. Again torque decreases as T α 1/S hence same load act as an extra load due to reduction in torque produced. Hence speed further drops. Eventually motor comes to standstill condition. The motor cannot continue to rotate at any point in this high slip region. Hence this region is called unstable region of operations.

So torque – slip characteristics has two parts,

- i) straight line called stable region of operation
- ii) Rectangular hyperbola called unstable region of operation.

Losses in an Induction Motor:

The various power losses in an induction motor can be classified as

- a) Constant losses
- b) Variable losses

Constant Losses:

These can be further classified as Core losses or mechanical losses. Core losses occur in stator core and rotor core. These are also called as iron losses. These losses include eddy current losses and hysteresis losses.

The eddy current losses are minimized by using laminated construction while hysteresis losses are minimized by selecting high grade silicon steel as the material for stator and rotor. Mechanical Losses include frictional losses at the bearings and windage losses.

Variable Losses:

This includes the copper losses in stator and rotor winding due to current flowing in the winding. As current changes when load changes these losses are said to be variable losses.

Power distribution diagram of an I.M:

Torque developed by an I.M:

An induction motor develops gross torque T_g due to gross rotor output P_m. Its value can be expressed either in terms of rotor input P_2 or rotor output P_m

 T_g = P₂/w_s = $\frac{p_2}{p_1}$ terms of rotor input $2 \pi N$

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= \frac{p_m}{w} = \frac{p_m}{2\pi N}
$$
 in terms of rotor output

The starting torque T_{sh} is due to output power P_{out} which is less than P_m because of rotor friction and windage losses.

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\therefore T_{sh} = \frac{p_{out}}{w} = \frac{p_{out}}{2 \Pi N}
$$

The difference between T_g and T_{sh} equals the torque lost due to friction and windage loss in the motor.

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T_{g} = \frac{P_{2}}{2\pi N s / 60} = \frac{60 \times P_{2}}{2\pi} = 9.55 \frac{P_{2}}{N s} N - m
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= \frac{P_{m}}{2\pi N / 60} = \frac{60 \times P_{m}}{2\pi} = 9.55 \frac{P_{m}}{N} N - m
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Torque, mechanical power and Rotor output:

Stator input P_1 = stator output + stator losses

Rotor input P_2 = stator output

Rotor gross output, P_m = rotor input P_2 – rotor losses

This rotor output is converted into mechanical energy and gives rise to gross torque T_g Out of this gross torque developed, some is lost due to windage and friction losses in the rotor and the rest appears as the useful or shaft torque T_{sh} . Let N rps be the actual speed of the rotor and if T_g is in N-m, then

 $T_g \times 2\pi N$ = rotor gross output in watts P_m

 T_g = $\frac{1}{1 - x}$ rotor gross output in watts $\sqrt{2\pi N}$ \rightarrow (1)

If these were no Cu losses in the rotor, then rotor output will equal rotor input and the rotor will run at synchronous speed,

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T_g = \frac{\text{rotor input } P_2}{2\pi Ns} \rightarrow (2)
$$

From (1) and (2), we get

Rotor gross output
$$
P_m = T_g 2\pi N
$$

Rotor input = $P_2 = T_g w_s = T_g x 2\pi N_s$ \rightarrow (3)

The difference of the two equals rotor Cu loss.

 \therefore rotor Cu loss = P₂ - P_m = T x 2 π (N_s - N) \rightarrow (4)

Form (3) and (4)
Rotor Cu loss
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=
$$
 $\frac{N_s - N}{N_s} = S$
Rotor input $\frac{N_s}{N_s}$

 \therefore rotor Cu loss = S X rotor input

 $= S X$ power across air gap $= SP₂$

Rotor input = rotor Cu loss S

Rotor gross output P_m = input P_2 - rotor Cu loss

= input – S X rotor input

 $=$ (1-S) input P_2

 \therefore rotor gross output P_m= (1-S) rotor input P₂

 $\frac{\text{rotor gross output P}_m}{\text{rotor input P}_2} = 1 - S = \frac{N}{N_s}$ $\frac{P_m}{P_2} = \frac{N}{N_s}$... rotor efficiency = $\frac{N}{N_s}$

And

$$
\frac{\text{rotor Cu loss}}{\text{rotor gross output}} = \frac{S}{1-S}
$$

If some power P_2 is delivered to rotor, then a part SP_2 is lost in the rotor itself as copper loss and the remaining (1-S) P_2 appears as gross mechanical power P_m

$$
\therefore P_2 \colon P_m : I^2R : 1: (1-S) : S
$$

Or P₂: P_m : P_c : 1: (1-S) : S

The rotor input power will always divide itself in this ratio, hence it is advantageous to run the motor with as small ship as possible.

Problems:

1. The motor emf of a $3-\varphi$, 6-pole, 400V, 50 Hz I.M alternates at 3Hz. Compute the speed and percentage slip of the motor. Find the rotor Cu loss per phase if the full input to the motor is 119.9 kw.

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S = \frac{f_r}{f} = \frac{3}{50} = 0.06 \quad \text{or } 6\%
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N_s = 120 \times \frac{50}{6} = 1000
$$
 rpm

 $N = (1-S) N_s = (1-0.06) 1000 = 940$ rpm

Rotor input = 111.9 kw

Rotor Cu loss= s X rotor input

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= 0.06 \times 111,900
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= 6715 w
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loss/phase = \frac{6715}{3} = 2238w
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