

Transformer

Per-unit system

Why perunit= meaningful data

- Consider: “the armature resistance is 0.1Ω ”

Then ask yourself if this a high, typical or a low value?

Answer depends on size of machine:

In a large machine 0.1Ω is excessive, small machine too low

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Why Use the Per Unit System?

- Multiple voltage levels: 400kV, 275kV, 132kV, 11kV, 400V makes circuit analysis rather confusing
- Ideal transformer winding can be eliminated (assumes proper specification of base values)
- Voltages, currents and impedances expressed in perunit do not change when referred from primary to secondary
- Perunit impedances of equipment of similar type are usually similar if equipment ratings are used as base values
- Digital implementation of control systems is easier with Perunit values

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- The voltage and impedance conversions make calculation in circuit with a transformer tedious
- Per-unit method eliminates such conversions

$$\text{quantity in per unit} = \frac{\text{actual quantity}}{\text{base quantity}}$$

- 2 base quantities are selected: voltage and power
- Other base values can be related through electrical laws

$$S_{base} = V_{base} I_{base}$$

$$Z_{base} = \frac{V_{base}}{I_{base}} = \frac{(V_{base})^2}{S_{base}}$$

Note: V_{base} changes at every transformer according to the turn ratio

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- Per-unit value can be converted to the new base
- Recall that the actual values are not changed
- Power

$$(P, Q, S)_{p.u.}^{new} = (P, Q, S)_{p.u.}^{old} \frac{S_{base}^{old}}{S_{base}^{new}}$$

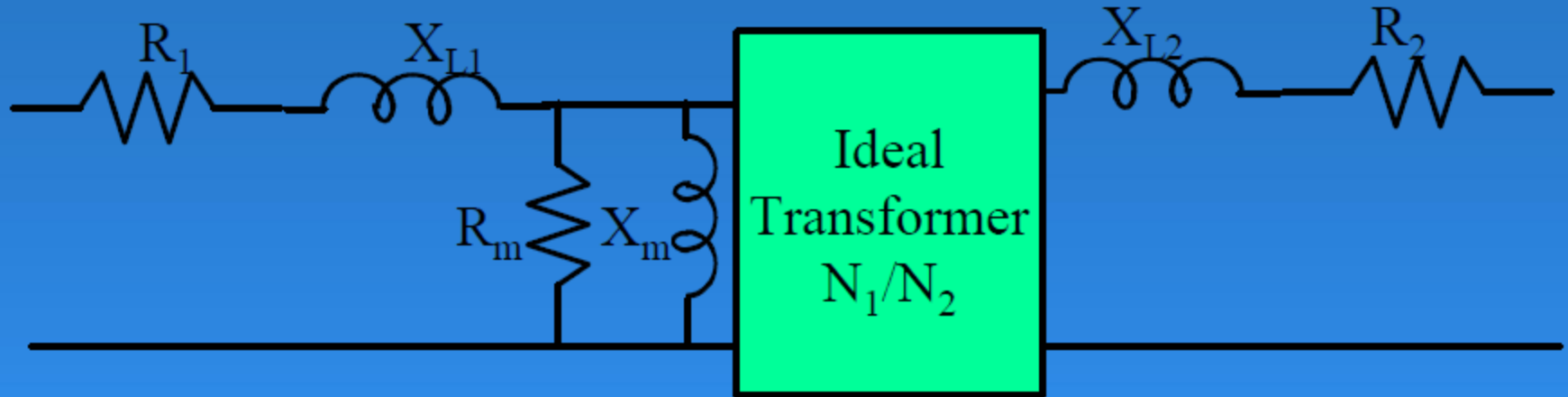
- Voltage

$$V_{p.u.}^{new} = V_{p.u.}^{old} \frac{V_{base}^{old}}{V_{base}^{new}}$$

- Impedance

$$Z_{p.u.}^{new} = Z_{p.u.}^{old} \frac{Z_B^{old}}{Z_B^{new}} = Z_{p.u.}^{old} \left[\frac{V_B^{old}}{V_B^{new}} \right]^2 \frac{S_B^{new}}{S_B^{old}}$$

Real Transformers



- R_1, R_2 : ohmic losses in conductors
- X_{L1}, X_{L2} : leakage flux
- X_m : imperfect magnetisation
- R_m : core losses (eddy currents, hysteresis)

Per Unit Voltages in Transformers

$$\frac{V_1}{V_2} = \frac{N_1}{N_2}$$

Choose:

$$\frac{V_{1B}}{V_{2B}} = \frac{V_{1Nom}}{V_{2Nom}} = \frac{N_1}{N_2}$$

$$\frac{V_1^{pu}}{V_2^{pu}} = \frac{\frac{V_1}{V_{1B}}}{\frac{V_2}{V_{2B}}} = \frac{V_1}{V_2} \cdot \frac{V_{2B}}{V_{1B}} = \frac{N_1}{N_2} \cdot \frac{N_2}{N_1} = 1$$

$$V_1^{pu} = V_2^{pu}$$

Per Unit Currents in Transformers

$$\frac{I_1^{pu}}{I_2^{pu}} = \frac{\frac{I_1}{I_1^B}}{\frac{I_2}{I_2^B}} = \frac{I_1}{I_2} \cdot \frac{I_2^B}{I_1^B}$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} I_1^B &= \frac{S^B}{V_1^B} \\ I_2^B &= \frac{S^B}{V_2^B} \end{aligned} \right\}$$

$$\frac{I_2^B}{I_1^B} = \frac{V_1^B}{V_2^B} = \frac{N_1}{N_2}$$

$$\frac{I_1}{I_2} = \frac{N_2}{N_1}$$

$$\frac{I_1^{pu}}{I_2^{pu}} = \frac{N_2}{N_1} \cdot \frac{N_1}{N_2} = 1$$



$$I_1^{pu} = I_2^{pu}$$

Per Unit Impedance in Transformers

$$Z_1 = \left(\frac{N_1}{N_2} \right)^2 Z_2$$

$$Z_1^{pu} \cdot Z_1^B = \left(\frac{N_1}{N_2} \right)^2 Z_2^{pu} \cdot Z_2^B$$

$$Z_1^B = \frac{V_1^B}{I_1^B} = \frac{V_1^{B^2}}{S^B}$$

$$Z_2^B = \frac{V_2^B}{I_2^B} = \frac{V_2^{B^2}}{S^B}$$

$$Z_1^{pu} \cdot \frac{V_1^{B^2}}{S^B} = \left(\frac{N_1}{N_2} \right)^2 Z_2^{pu} \cdot \frac{V_2^{B^2}}{S^B}$$

$$\frac{V_1^{B^2}}{V_2^{B^2}} = \left(\frac{N_1}{N_2} \right)^2$$

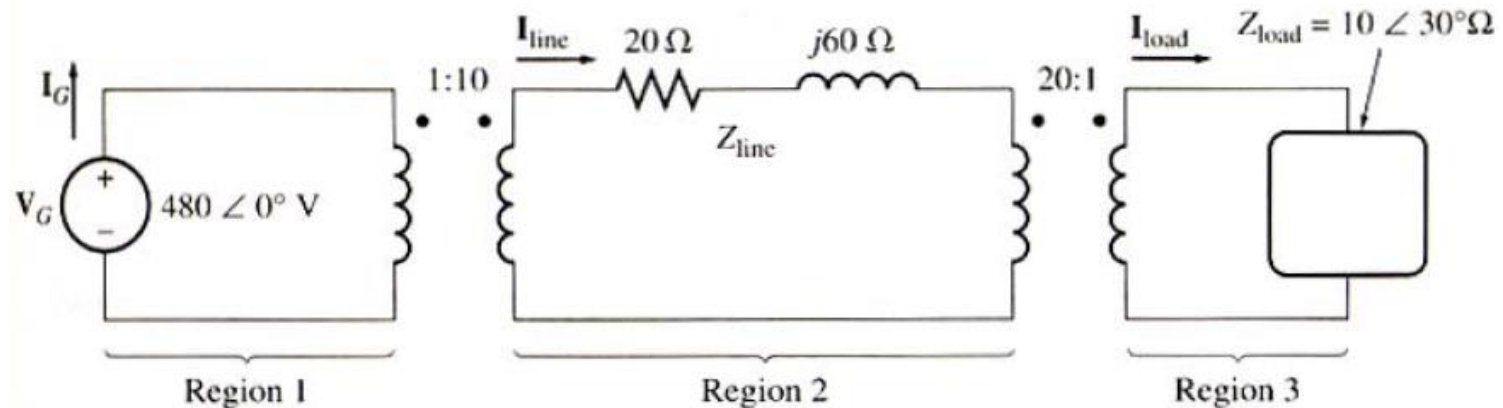
$$Z_1^{pu} = Z_2^{pu}$$

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Example

- Select 480V and 10 kVA as base values for the following system



- Find the base voltage, current, impedance and apparent power at every point
- Convert the system to its per-unit equivalent circuit
- Find the power supplied to the load
- Find transmission line loss

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Example

- Generator: $V_{base1} = 480V$, $S_{base} = 10kVA$

$$I_{base1} = \frac{S_{base}}{V_{base1}} = \frac{10kVA}{480V} = 20.83A$$

$$Z_{base1} = \frac{V_{base1}}{I_{base1}} = \frac{480V}{20.83A} = 23.04\Omega$$

- Transmission line: $V_{base2} = 4800V$, $S_{base} = 10kVA$

$$I_{base2} = \frac{S_{base}}{V_{base2}} = \frac{10kVA}{4800V} = 2.083A$$

$$Z_{base2} = \frac{V_{base2}}{I_{base2}} = \frac{4800V}{2.083A} = 2304\Omega$$

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Example

- Load: $V_{base3} = 240V$, $S_{base} = 10kVA$

$$I_{base3} = \frac{S_{base}}{V_{base3}} = \frac{10kVA}{240V} = 41.67 A$$

$$Z_{base3} = \frac{V_{base3}}{I_{base3}} = \frac{240V}{41.67 A} = 5.76\Omega$$

- Convert to p.u. system

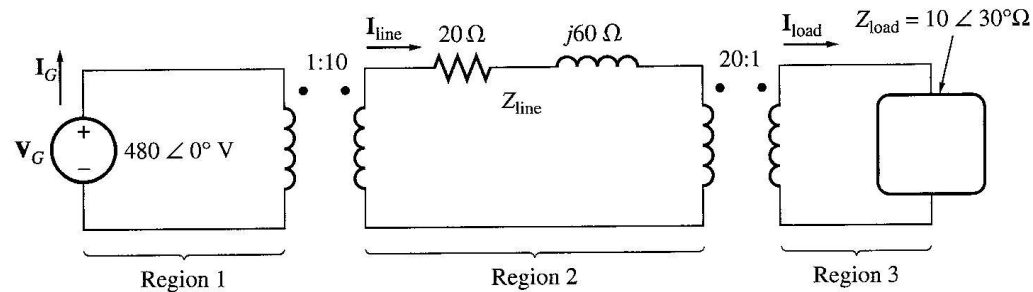
$$V_{G,p.u.} = \frac{480\angle 0}{480} = 1.0\angle 0$$

$$Z_{line,p.u.} = \frac{20 + j60}{2034} = 0.0087 + j0.0260$$

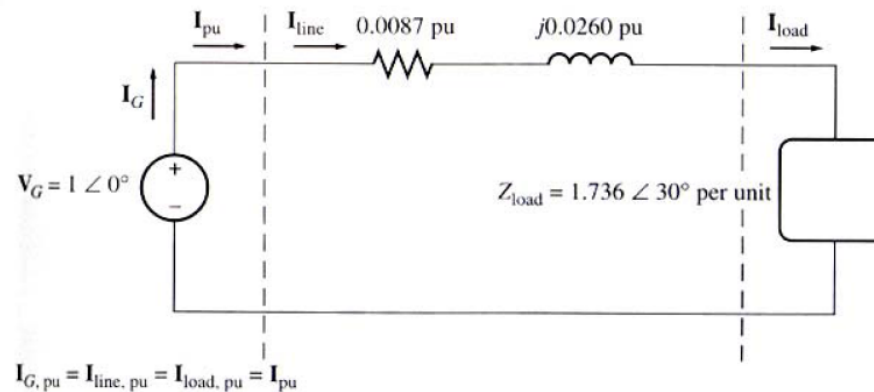
$$Z_{load,p.u.} = \frac{10\angle 30}{5.76} = 1.736\angle 30$$

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Example Per-unit system



■ Equivalent circuit



■ Current

$$I_{p.u.} = \frac{V_{p.u.}}{Z_{\text{tot}, p.u.}} = \frac{1 \angle 0}{(0.0087 + j0.0260) + (1.736 \angle 30)} = 0.569 \angle -30.6$$

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Example

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■ Load power

$$P_{load,p.u.} = I_{p.u.}^2 R_{p.u.} = (0.569)^2 (1.503) = 0.487$$

$$P_{load} = P_{load,p.u.} \times S_{base} = (0.487)(10kVA) = 4870W$$

■ Transmission line loss

$$P_{lineloss,p.u.} = I_{p.u.}^2 R_{p.u.} = (0.569)^2 (0.0087) = 0.00282$$

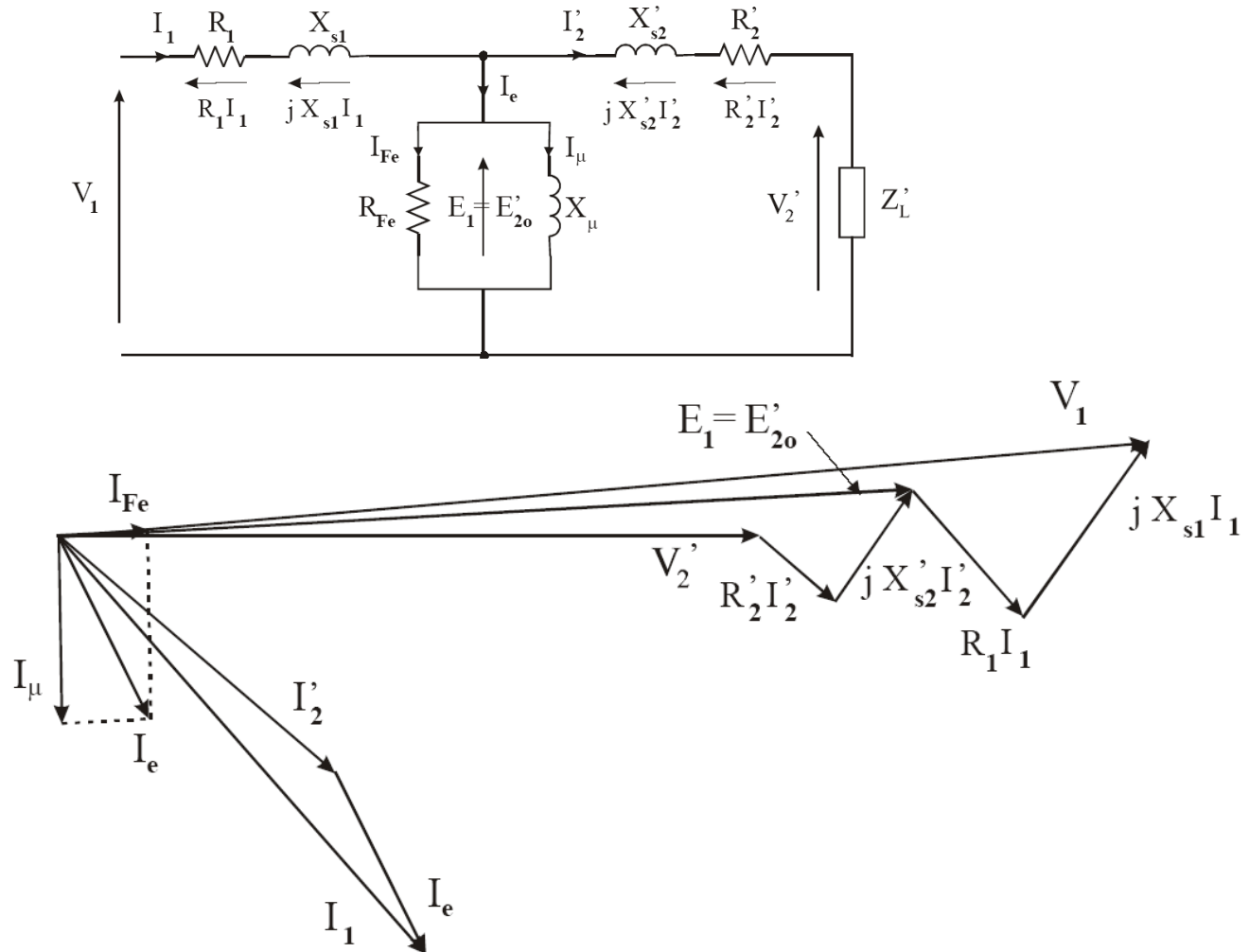
$$P_{lineloss} = P_{lineloss,p.u.} \times S_{base} = (0.00282)(10kVA) = 28.2W$$

Note: If there is one device, use its own rating as base

If there are more than one device, use the largest one

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Phasor Diagram



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Voltage Regulation

- Due to series impedance, the transformer output voltage varies with the load even if the input voltage remains constant
- The voltage regulation (VR)

$$VR = \frac{V_{S,nl} - V_{S,fl}}{V_{S,fl}} \times 100\%$$

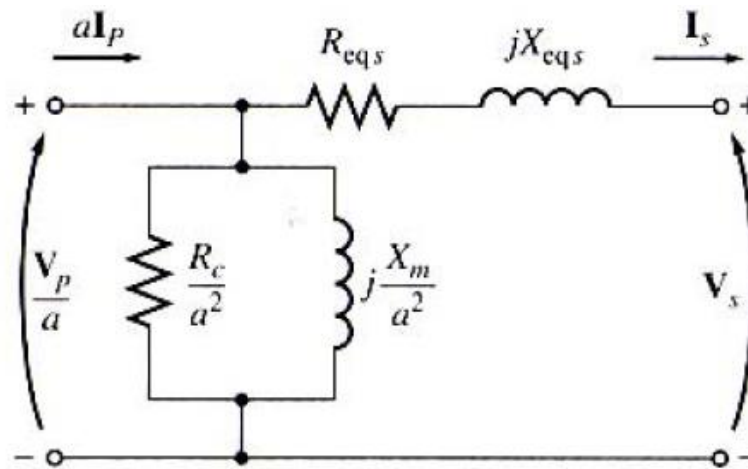
- In p.u. system

$$VR = \frac{V_{P,p.u.} - V_{S,fl,p.u.}}{V_{S,fl,p.u.}} \times 100\%$$

- Small voltage regulation means small voltage drop and low loss

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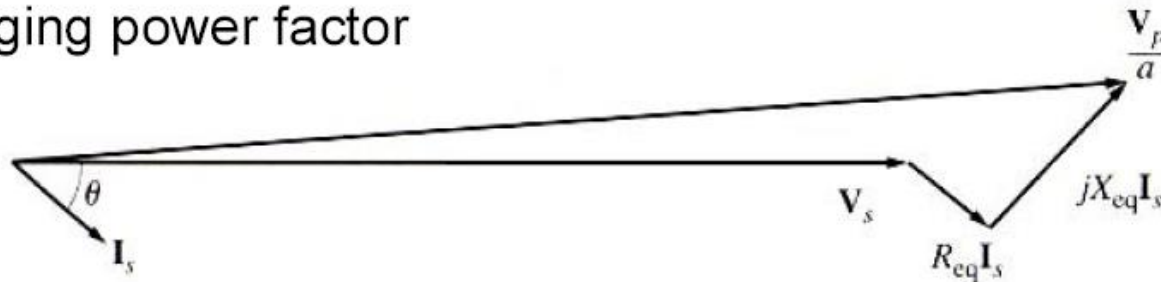
Voltage Regulation



Ignoring
excitation branch

$$\frac{V_p}{a} = V_s + R_{eq} I_s + jX_{eq} I_s$$

Lagging power factor

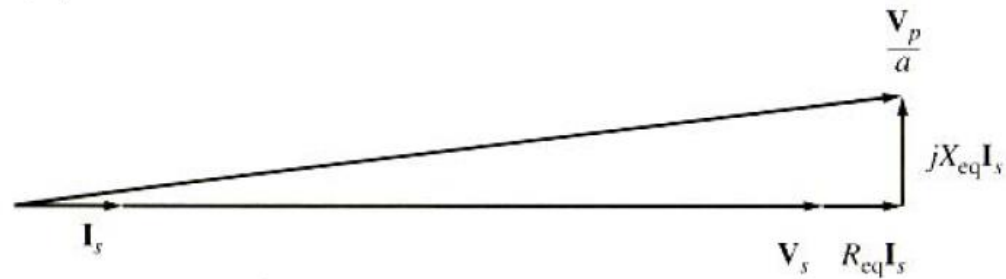


voltage regulation with lagging loads is > 0

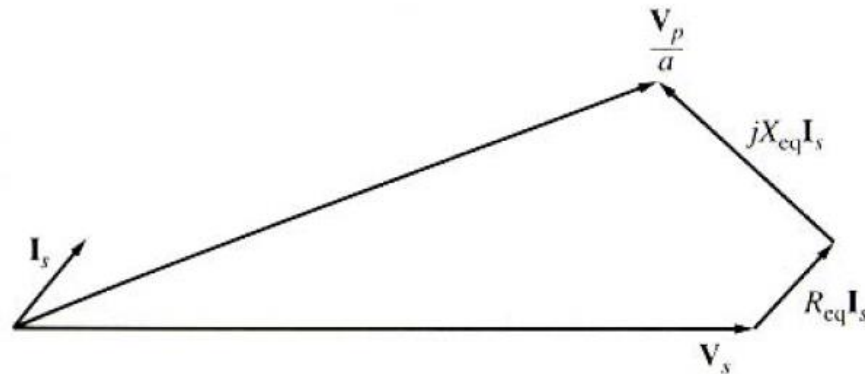
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Voltage Regulation

- Unity power factor



- Leading power factor

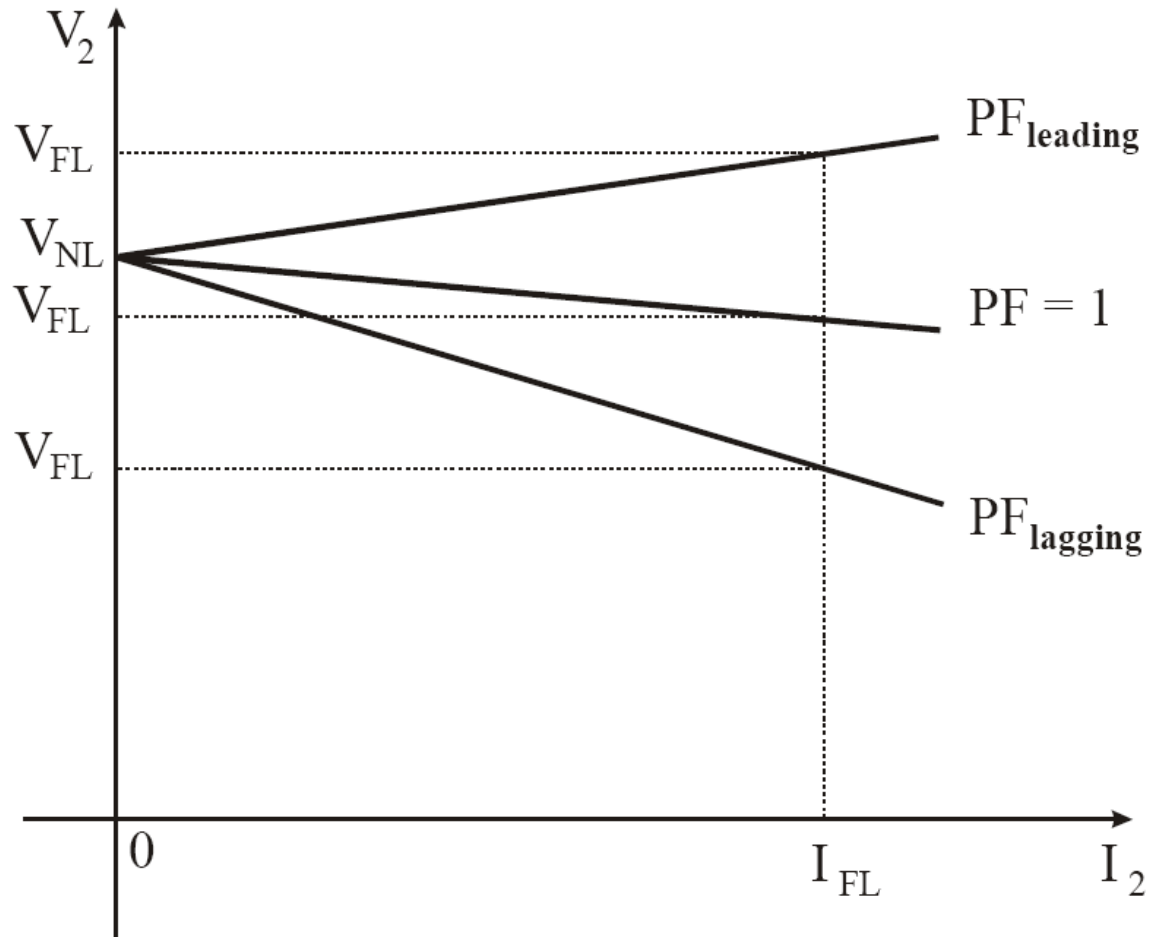


When the power factor is unity $VR > 0$

With a leading power factor usually $VR < 0$

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Voltage Regulation

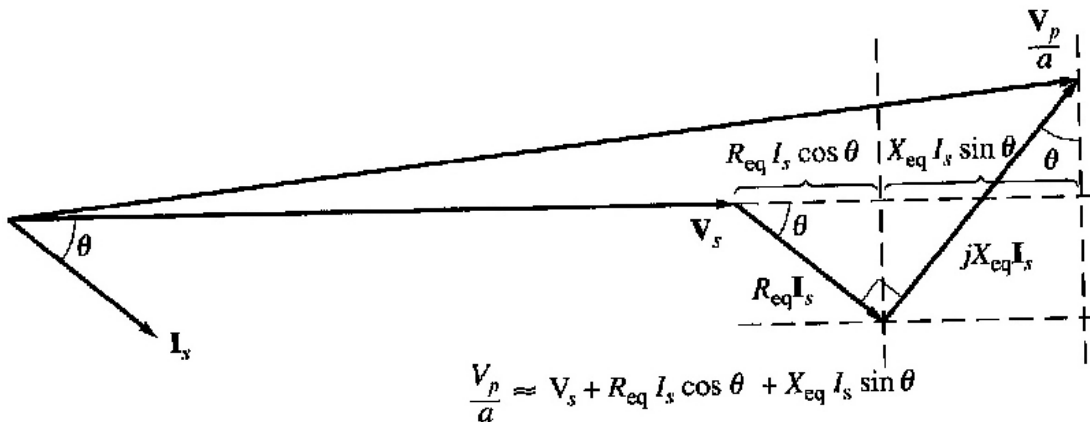


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Voltage Regulation

Simplified Voltage Regulation Calculation

For lagging loads, the vertical components of R_{eq} and X_{eq} will partially cancel each other. Due to that, the angle of V_p/a will be very small.



$$\begin{aligned} \text{Voltage regulation} &= \frac{(V_1') - (V_2)}{(V_2)} \\ &= \frac{I_2 R_{e2}}{V_2} \cos \theta_2 + \frac{I_2 X_{e2}}{V_2} \sin \theta_2 \\ &= R_{pu} \cos \theta_2 + X_{pu} \sin \theta_2 \end{aligned}$$

$$V.R. = R_{eq,p.u.} \cos \theta + X_{eq,p.u.} \sin \theta$$

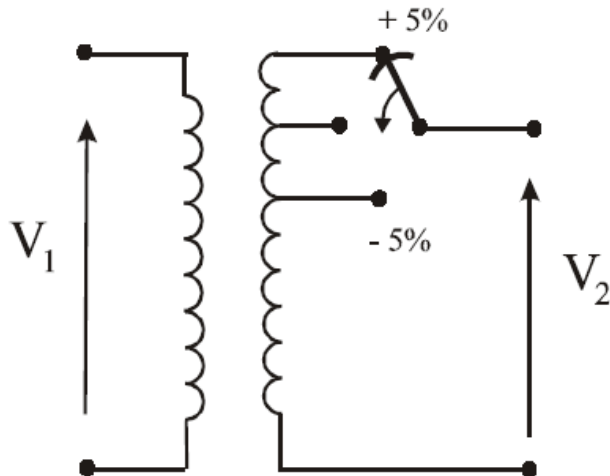
$$\text{with } V_{base} = V_S, \quad S_{base} = V_S I_S$$

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Tap changing

We assumed before that the transformer turns ratio is a fixed (constant) for the given transformer. Frequently, distribution transformers have a series of taps in the windings to permit small changes in their turns ratio. Typically, transformers may have 4 taps in addition to the nominal setting with spacing of 2.5 % of full-load voltage. Therefore, adjustments up to 5 % above or below the nominal voltage rating of the transformer are possible.

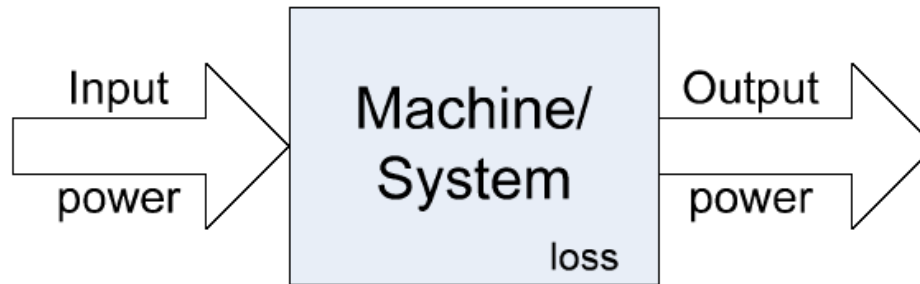
Example 4.6: A 500 kVA, 13 200/480 V transformer has four 2.5 % taps on its primary winding. What are the transformer's voltage ratios at each tap setting?



+ 5.0% tap	13 860/480 V
+ 2.5% tap	13 530/480 V
Nominal rating	13 200/480 V
- 2.5% tap	12 870/480 V
- 5.0% tap	12 540/480 V

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Efficiency



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

■ Losses

- ❑ Copper (Cu , I^2R) losses: series resistance
 - ❑ Hysteresis losses: R_h
 - ❑ Eddy current losses: R_e
- } Core losses = R_{h+e} or R_C

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Efficiency

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

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

$$\eta = \frac{V_S I_S \cos \theta}{P_{Cu} + P_{core} + V_S I_S \cos \theta} \times 100\%$$

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Efficiency

The transformer core loss is due to hysteresis and eddy currents. Both of these are essentially due to core of transformer and do not depend on loading, hence, *the transformer core loss is substantially independent of load current*. Core loss depends on voltage and frequency. Copper loss depend on load current.

$$P_{core} = P_{coreN} \left(\frac{V_p}{V_{pn}} \right)^2$$

$$P_{Cu} = P_{CuN} \left(\frac{I_s}{I_{sN}} \right)^2$$

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Efficiency

$$\eta = \frac{V_2 \cos \theta_2}{V_2 \cos \theta_2 + I_2 R_{e2} + P_i / I_2}$$

Assuming V_2 is constant. Therefore efficiency is maximum when the denominator is minimum, i.e. when

$$\frac{d}{dI_2} \left(V_2 \cos \theta_2 + I_2 R_{e2} + \frac{P_i}{I_2} \right) = 0$$

or

$$R_{e2} - \frac{P_i}{I_2^2} = 0$$

or

$$I_2^2 R_{e2} = P_i$$

Thus for a given value of V_2 and $\cos \theta_2$, the efficiency of a transformer is maximum when the load current is such that copper-losses are equal to the iron-losses.

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Efficiency

$$\text{Efficiency} = \frac{\text{Input} - \text{losses}}{\text{Input}} = \frac{V_1 I_1 \cos \phi_1 - P_c - P_i}{V_1 I_1 \cos \phi_1} = \frac{V_1 I_1 \cos \phi_1 - I_1^2 R_{eq} - P_i}{V_1 I_1 \cos \phi_1}$$

Simplifying;

$$\text{Efficiency} = 1 - \frac{I_1 R_{eq}}{V_1 \cos \phi_1} - \frac{P_i}{V_1 I_1 \cos \phi_1}$$

For efficiency to be maximum; $\frac{d(\text{efficiency})}{dI_1} = 0$

$$\frac{d(\text{efficiency})}{dI_1} = 0 - \frac{R_{eq}}{V_1 \cos \phi_1} + \frac{P_i}{V_1 I_1^2 \cos \phi_1}$$

Which then equates to

$$P_i = I_1^2 R_{eq} \text{ or } P_i = P_c$$

Thus, to have maximum efficiency, the copper loss should be equal to the core loss

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Efficiency - All-day efficiency

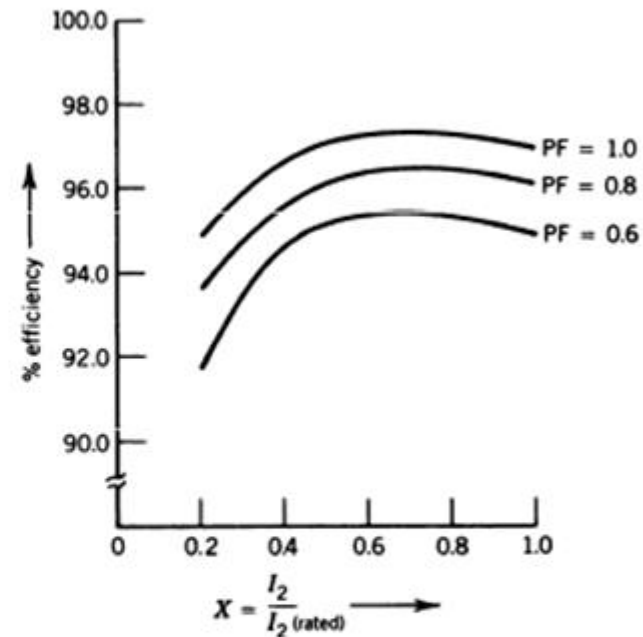
$$\eta = \frac{P_{out}}{P_{out} + P_c + P_{cu}}$$

$$\eta = \frac{V_2 I_2 \cos \theta_2}{V_2 I_2 \cos \theta_2 + P_c + I_2^2 R_{eq2}}$$

Max efficiency occurs for:

- fixed V_2 and θ_2
- fixed V_2 and I_2

$$P_c = I_2^2 R_{eq2} \quad \cos \theta_2 = 1$$



At any particular I_2 **maximum efficiency** happens at unity power factor.

- All-day efficiency:

$$\eta_{AD} = \frac{\text{energy output over 24 hours}}{\text{energy input over 24 hours}}$$

The transformer efficiency: Example

Example 4.5: A 15 kVA, 2300/230 V transformer was tested to by open-circuit and closed-circuit tests. The following data was obtained:

$V_{OC} = 2300 \text{ V}$	$V_{SC} = 47 \text{ V}$
$I_{OC} = 0.21 \text{ A}$	$I_{SC} = 6.0 \text{ A}$
$P_{OC} = 50 \text{ W}$	$P_{SC} = 160 \text{ W}$

- Find the equivalent circuit of this transformer referred to the high-voltage side.
- Find the equivalent circuit of this transformer referred to the low-voltage side.
- Calculate the full-load voltage regulation at 0.8 lagging power factor, at 1.0 power factor, and at 0.8 leading power factor.
- Plot the voltage regulation as load is increased from no load to full load at power factors of 0.8 lagging, 1.0, and 0.8 leading.
- What is the efficiency of the transformer at full load with a power factor of 0.8 lagging?

The transformer efficiency: Example

a. The excitation branch values of the equivalent circuit can be determined as:

$$\theta_{oc} = \cos^{-1} \frac{P_{oc}}{V_{oc} I_{oc}} = \cos^{-1} \frac{50}{2300 \cdot 0.21} = 84^\circ$$

The excitation admittance is:

$$Y_E = \frac{I_{oc}}{V_{oc}} \angle -84^\circ = \frac{0.21}{2300} \angle -84^\circ = 0.000095 - j0.0000908 \text{ S}$$

The elements of the excitation branch referred to the primary side are:

$$R_c = \frac{1}{0.0000095} = 105 \text{ k}\Omega$$
$$X_M = \frac{1}{0.0000908} = 11 \text{ k}\Omega$$

The transformer efficiency: Example

From the short-circuit test data, the short-circuit impedance angle is

$$\theta_{SC} = \cos^{-1} \frac{P_{SC}}{V_{SC} I_{SC}} = \cos^{-1} \frac{160}{47 \cdot 6} = 55.4^\circ$$

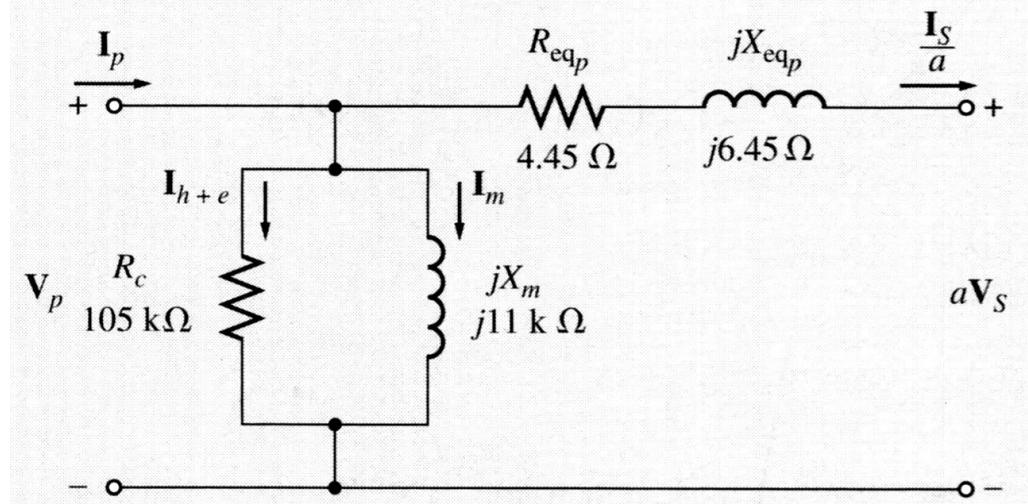
The equivalent series impedance is thus

$$Z_{SE} = \frac{V_{SC}}{I_{SC}} \angle \theta_{SC} = \frac{47}{6} \angle 55.4^\circ = 4.45 + j6.45 \, \Omega$$

The series elements referred to the primary winding are:

$$R_{eq} = 4.45 \, \Omega; \quad X_{eq} = 6.45 \, \Omega$$

The equivalent circuit

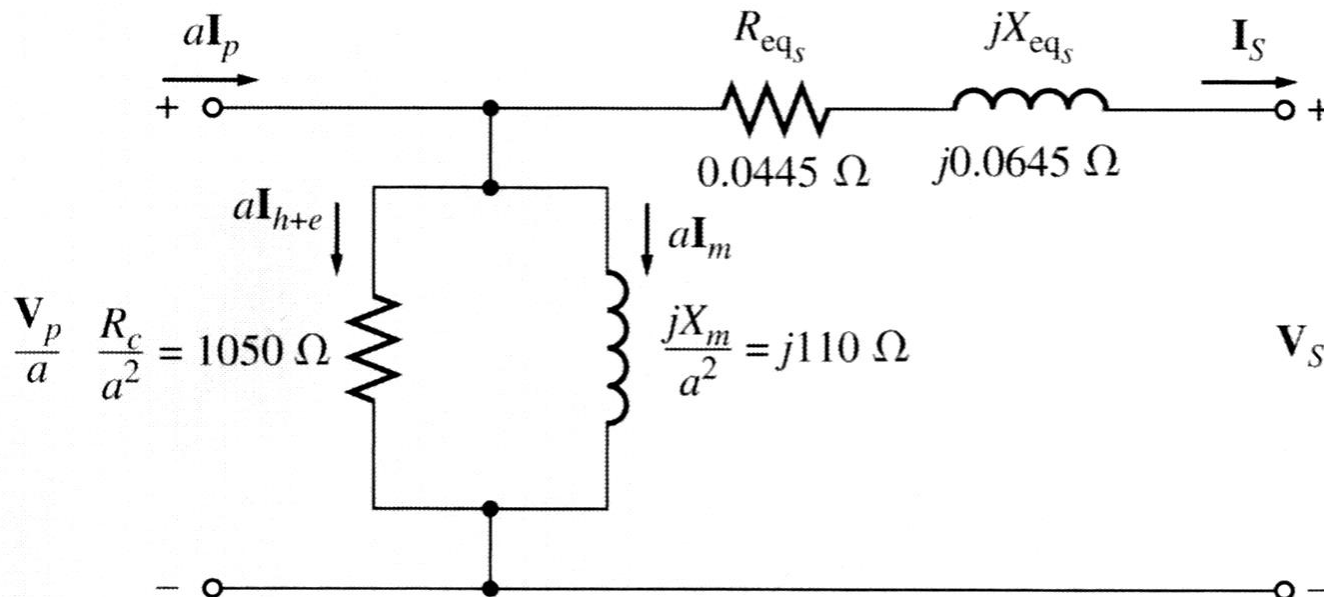


The transformer efficiency: Example

b. To find the equivalent circuit referred to the low-voltage side, we need to divide the impedance by a^2 . Since $a = 10$, the values will be:

$$R_C = 1050 \Omega \quad X_M = 110 \Omega \quad R_{eq} = 0.0445 \Omega \quad X_{eq} = 0.0645 \Omega$$

The equivalent circuit will be



The transformer efficiency: Example

At PF = 1.0, current

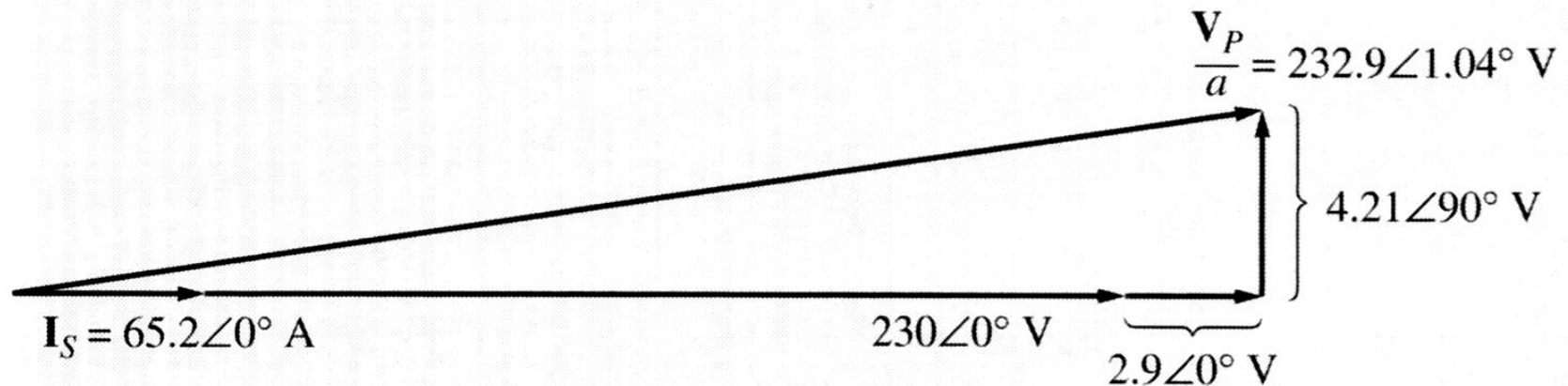
$$I_s = 65.2 \angle \cos^{-1}(1.0) = 65.2 \angle 0^\circ \text{ A}$$

and

$$\frac{V_p}{a} = 230 \angle 0^\circ + 0.0445 \cdot (65.2 \angle 0^\circ) + j0.0645 \cdot (65.2 \angle 0^\circ) = 232.94 \angle 1.04^\circ \text{ V}$$

The resulting voltage regulation is, therefore:

$$VR = \frac{|V_p/a| - V_{S,fl}}{V_{S,fl}} \cdot 100\% = \frac{232.94 - 230}{230} \cdot 100\% = 1.28\%$$



The transformer efficiency: Example

c. The full-load current on the secondary side of the transformer is

$$I_{S, rated} = \frac{S_{rated}}{V_{S, rated}} = \frac{15\,000}{230} = 65.2\text{ A}$$

Since:

$$\frac{V_P}{a} = V_S + R_{eq} I_S + jX_{eq} I_S$$

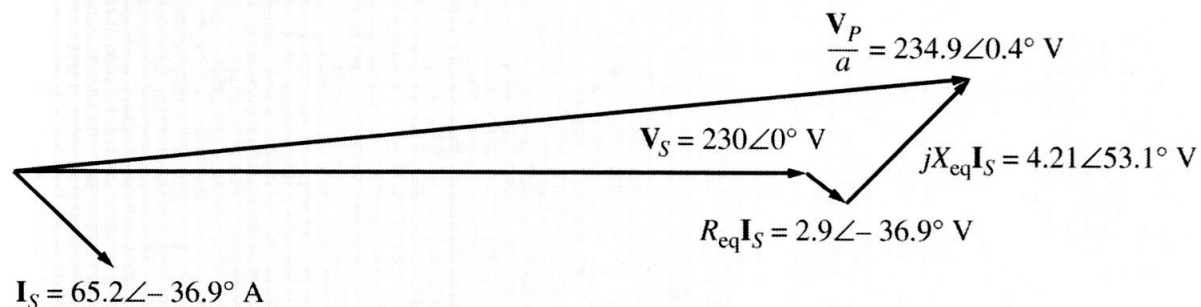
At PF = 0.8 lagging, current

$$I_S = 65.2 \angle -\cos^{-1}(0.8) = 65.2 \angle -36.9^\circ \text{ A}$$

and
$$\frac{V_P}{a} = 230 \angle 0^\circ + 0.0445 \cdot (65.2 \angle -36.9^\circ) + j0.0645 \cdot (65.2 \angle -36.9^\circ) = 234.85 \angle 0.40^\circ \text{ V}$$

The resulting voltage regulation is, therefore:

$$\begin{aligned} VR &= \frac{|V_P/a| - V_{S, fl}}{V_{S, fl}} \cdot 100\% \\ &= \frac{234.85 - 230}{230} \cdot 100\% \\ &= 2.1\% \end{aligned}$$



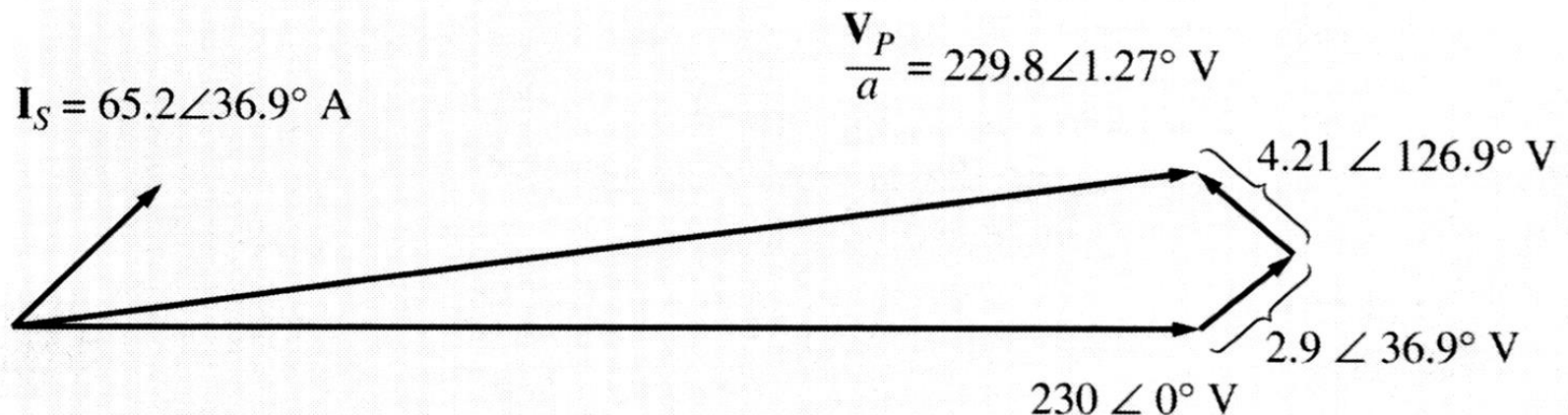
The transformer efficiency: Example

At PF = 0.8 leading, current $I_s = 65.2 \angle \cos^{-1}(0.8) = 65.2 \angle 36.9^\circ \text{ A}$

and $\frac{V_p}{a} = 230 \angle 0^\circ + 0.0445 \cdot (65.2 \angle 36.9^\circ) + j0.0645 \cdot (65.2 \angle 36.9^\circ) = 229.85 \angle 1.27^\circ \text{ V}$

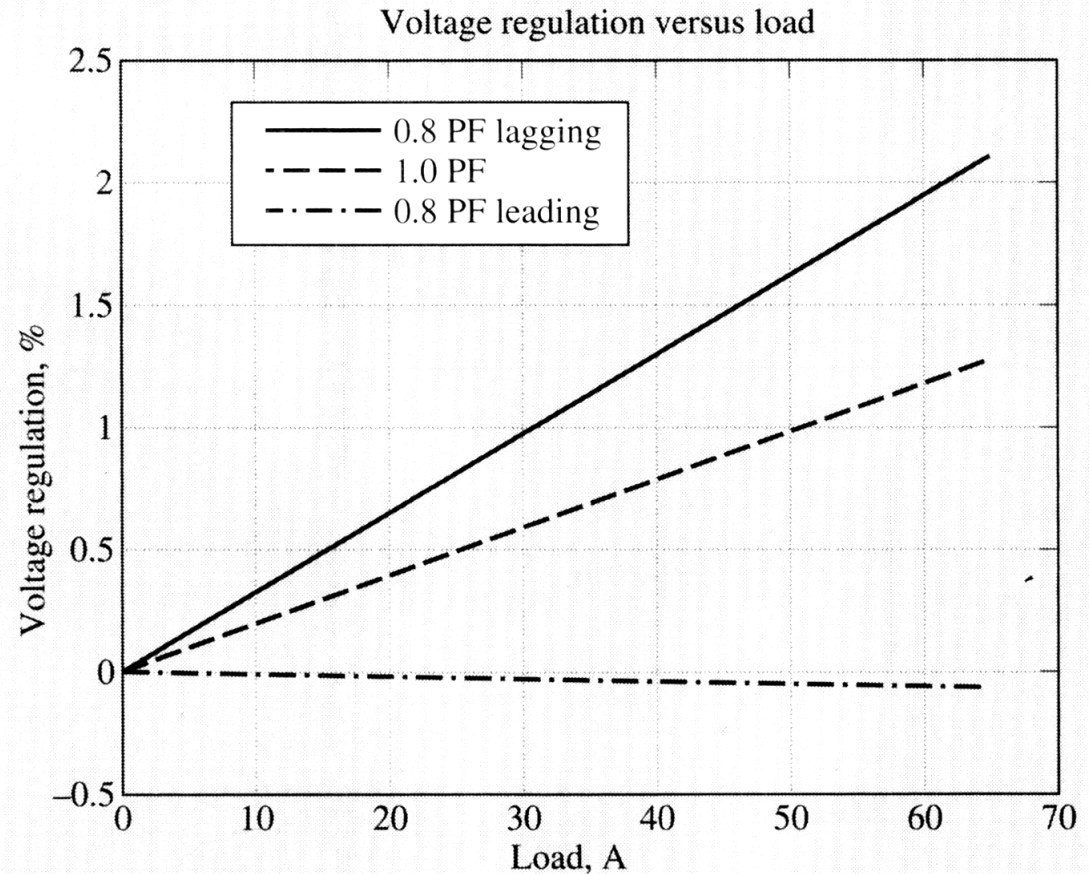
The resulting voltage regulation is, therefore:

$$VR = \frac{|V_p/a| - V_{S,fl}}{V_{S,fl}} \cdot 100\% = \frac{229.85 - 230}{230} \cdot 100\% = -0.062\%$$



The transformer efficiency: Example

Similar computations can be repeated for different values of load current. As a result, we can plot the voltage regulation as a function of load current for the three Power Factors.



The transformer efficiency: Example

e. To find the efficiency of the transformer, first calculate its losses.

The copper losses are:

$$P_{Cu} = I_S^2 R_{eq} = 65.2^2 \cdot 0.0445 = 189 \text{ W}$$

The core losses are:

$$P_{core} = \frac{(V_p/a)^2}{R_C} = \frac{234.85^2}{1050} = 52.5 \text{ W}$$

The output power of the transformer at the given Power Factor is:

$$P_{out} = V_S I_S \cos \theta = 230 \cdot 65.2 \cdot \cos 36.9^\circ = 12\,000 \text{ W}$$

Therefore, the efficiency of the transformer is

$$\eta = \frac{P_{out}}{P_{Cu} + P_{core} + P_{out}} \cdot 100\% = 98.03\%$$