

EE 3PI4

Lab 1

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A. Measuring Starting Current

Machine ratings

$$P_{rated} = 0.37kW$$

$$f_{rated} = 60Hz$$

$$N_{rated} = 1650 \text{ 1/min}$$

$$U = 208/360V$$

$$IP: 20$$

$$I = 1.8/1.05A$$

$$\cos = 0.76$$

Rated Torque Calculation

$$\tau_{rated} = \frac{P_{rated}}{\omega_{rated}}$$

$$\omega_{rated} = \frac{N_{rated}}{60} \cdot 2\pi = \frac{1650}{60} \cdot 2\pi = 55\pi \frac{rad}{s}$$

$$\tau_{rated} = \frac{P_{rated}}{\omega_{rated}} = \frac{0.37kW}{55\pi \frac{rad}{s}} = \frac{370W}{55\pi \frac{rad}{s}} = 2.14Nm$$

Δ Connection

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|----------------------|-------|-------|------|-------|-------|
| Torque (Nm) | 0 | 0.20 | 0.41 | 0.61 | 0.82 |
| Rotation Speed (rpm) | 1792 | 1779 | 1769 | 1758 | 1746 |
| Line Voltage (V) | 208.7 | 208.7 | 209 | 208.9 | 208.3 |
| Line Current (A) | 0.74 | 0.77 | 0.81 | 0.88 | 0.95 |

Y Connection

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|----------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Torque (Nm) | 0 | 0.20 | 0.41 | 0.61 | 0.82 |
| Rotation Speed (rpm) | 1768 | 1735 | 1693 | 1640 | 1561 |
| Line Voltage (V) | 120.6 | 120.9 | 120.9 | 120.8 | 120.8 |
| Line Current (A) | 0.26 | 0.34 | 0.45 | 0.59 | 0.78 |
| Phase Power (W) | 16.9 | 29.9 | 44.4 | 60.6 | 79.9 |
| Power Factor Cosθ | 0.528 | 0.724 | 0.812 | 0.845 | 0.848 |

C. Reactive Power Compensation

$2\mu F$

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|-----------------|-------|------|------|------|-------|
| Torque (Nm) | 0 | 0.20 | 0.41 | 0.61 | 0.82 |
| N (rpm) | 1772 | 1736 | 1695 | 1644 | 1564 |
| I_{phase} (A) | 0.18 | 0.28 | 0.40 | 0.54 | 0.72 |
| P_{phase} (W) | 14.6 | 28.5 | 43.1 | 59.3 | 78.5 |
| Cos(θ) | 0.667 | 0.85 | 0.9 | 0.91 | 0.899 |

$8\mu F$

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|-----------------|-------|-------|-------|------|-------|
| Torque (Nm) | 0 | 0.20 | 0.41 | 0.61 | 0.82 |
| N (rpm) | 1773 | 1736 | 1695 | 1642 | 1563 |
| I_{phase} (A) | 0.2 | 0.28 | 0.38 | 0.5 | 0.66 |
| P_{phase} (W) | 14.3 | 29 | 43.4 | 59.5 | 78.6 |
| Cos(θ) | 0.575 | 0.838 | 0.939 | 0.98 | 0.989 |

Question

When comparing all 3 scenarios, we can see that the power factors seen in the $2\mu F$ is larger than the power factors seen in the case without any capacitors. The case with $8\mu F$ capacitors have a larger power factor than both of the previous cases. This is because we are introducing more capacitance into the system. This increased capacitance counteracts the primarily inductive loads in the system, thus reducing apparent power in the system, but keeping the real power the same. This means that the system has a much higher concentration of usable power, thus increasing the power factor. The picture below shows us how the power triangle changes with capacitive loads. Since Power factor = P/S , we can see that keeping P the same and lowering S will increase the power factor

