Portland State University

Electrical & Computer Engineering EE 347 Power Systems I

- Lab 4: Single-Phase Transformers -

Introduction

This lab introduces students to single-phase power transformers, including autotransformers. Students design experiments to determine circuit models of transformers, which are then modeled using a scripting language¹. Students also determine transformer efficiencies as well as maximum power configurations for autotransformers.

Objectives

Students learn how to:

- configure a test bench for performing open circuit and short circuit transformer testing
- perform the procedures for these two tests
- exercise precautions during testing, particularly during the short circuit test.

Analyze and interpret data, and draw conclusions

Develop engineering documentation:

- Bill of materials
- Points list
- One-line diagram

Part 1: Circuit Build and Data Gathering

Build a test bench for open-circuit testing of a single-phase transformer. The test bench shall include:

- The DUT: 8341 LabVolt 120-60/60 V transformer
- Open-circuit test: leave the secondary winding open
- LVDAC metering of voltage, current, and real power on the primary winding
- LVDAC metering of voltage on the secondary winding
- an 8821 LabVolt three-phase power supply
 - o variable 120 V source, set initially to 0 V
 - o source applied to the primary winding of the transformer

Perform the open-circuit testing procedure:

- 1. Follow the lock-out/tag-out start-up procedure
- 2. Energize the power supply
- 3. Adjust the power supply rheostat such that rated voltages are applied to the primary windings
- 4. Observe the metered voltage, current, and real power
- 5. De-energize the power supply
- 6. Follow the lock-out/tag-out shut-down procedure

Build a test bench for short-circuit testing of a single phase transformer. The test bench includes:

- The DUT: 8341 LabVolt 120-60/60 V transformer
- Short-circuit test: connect a short circuit across the 120 V terminals of the secondary
- LVDAC metering of voltage, current, and real power on the primary

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¹ Python, Matlab, R, VB, etc. Students' choice.

- LVDAC metering of voltage and current on the secondary winding
- An 8821 LabVolt three-phase power supply
 - o variable 120 V source, set initially to 0 V (this is critical)
 - o source applied to the primary winding of the transformer

Perform the short-circuit testing procedure

- 1. Double-check to ensure that the 120 V variable source is initially set to 0 V
- 2. Follow the lock-out/tag-out start-up procedure
- 3. Energize the power supply
- 4. Continuously monitor the primary rated current
- 5. Slowly adjust the power supply rheostat until primary current equals the rated current
- 6. Double-check the current on the secondary, which should also be at rated
- 7. Observe the metered voltage, current, and real power
- 8. Adjusting the power supply rheostat to $0~\mathrm{V}$
- 9. De-energize the power supply
- 10. Follow the lock-out/tag-out shut-down procedure

Part 2. Data Analysis and Interpretation, Drawing Conclusions

2.1 Calculations, Analysis & Discussion

Use the test data collected in Part 1 to calculate the circuit parameters for a primary-side cantilever equivalent circuit model. Discuss findings; does the analysis agree with the theory as discussed in the lecture? Compare calculations to observations and explain discrepancies.

2.2 Engineering Design

Design a simulation model of the 8341 LabVolt 120-60/60 V transformer

- 1. Use a scripting language such as Python..
- 2. The model shall include a function for calculating load-regulated voltage regulation given a complex load
 - a. function argument: S_{load} .
 - i. $0 \le |\mathbf{S}_{load}| \le 1.8 \, S_{rated}$
 - ii. $-90^{\circ} \le \theta \le 90^{\circ}$
 - b. function return: voltage regulation, VR, expressed as a percentage
- 3. The model shall include a function for calculating efficiency given a complex load
 - a. function argument: S_{load} .
 - i. $0 \le |\mathbf{S}_{load}| \le 1.8 \, S_{rated}$
 - ii. $-90^{\circ} \le \theta \le 90^{\circ}$
 - b. function return: efficiency, η , expressed as a percentage
- 4. The model should include a function for flagging over current conditions
 - a. function argument: $|I_{line}|$
 - b. function argument: per-unit overcurrent factor C_I
 - c. function return: overcurrent flag if $|I_{line}| \ge C_I I_{rated}$.
- 5. The model might include a function for flagging under- and overvoltage conditions,
 - a. function argument: $|V_p|$
 - b. function argument: per-unit under- and over-voltage factors $\mathbf{C_v} = [C_{vu}, C_{vo}]$
 - c. function return: undervoltage flag if $|V_p| \le C_{Vu} V_{rated}$.
 - d. function return: overvoltage flag if $|V_p| \ge C_{Vo} V_{rated}$.

Part 3. Engineering Documentation Deliverables

- 1. Prepare a test report that includes the following:
 - a. Brief description of the performed tests
 - b. Test conditions
 - c. Test results
 - d. Calculations
 - e. Analysis
 - f. Engineering documents that describe the test benches
 - i. one-line diagram
 - ii. BoMs of equipment and supplies
 - iii. Points lists for all equipment
- 2. For the simulation model
 - a. In each function header, include a function description.
 - b. In each function header, include instructions on how to use the function.
 - c. Include comments throughout the code
 - d. Demonstrate the functions by subjecting them to a series of tests, designed by the script authors.
 - e. Present test results in a succinct and compelling manner.

The deliverables shall be submitted via Canvas as a single pdf file.