



Electromagnetic Energy Conversion

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Exercise session 7: Asynchronous machines

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The asynchronous motor



1. The stator generates a rotating magnetic field

2. Closed loop wire with varying magnetic field

→ Faraday's law: emf

1. The emf leads to a current

2. Current in a magnetic field

→ Laplace: $\vec{F} = q\vec{v} \wedge \vec{B}$

1. \vec{F} makes the rotor rotate

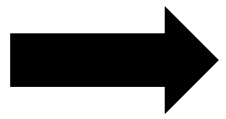
✓ Self starting

✓ brushless & no permanent magnet → easy to build

The asynchronous motor

If the rotor doesn't move → high varying fluxes → high current → acceleration

If the rotor turns at the same speed as the magnetic field → no varying fluxes
→ No Laplace force → Deceleration due to consumed active power (losses and load)



The rotor of the asynchronous motor rotates at a speed $\dot{\theta}$ lower than the speed of the magnetic field $\dot{\theta}_s$, called the synchronous speed of rotation.

The slip g (“glissement” in French) links the two speeds:

$$g = \frac{\dot{\theta}_s - \dot{\theta}}{\dot{\theta}_s}$$

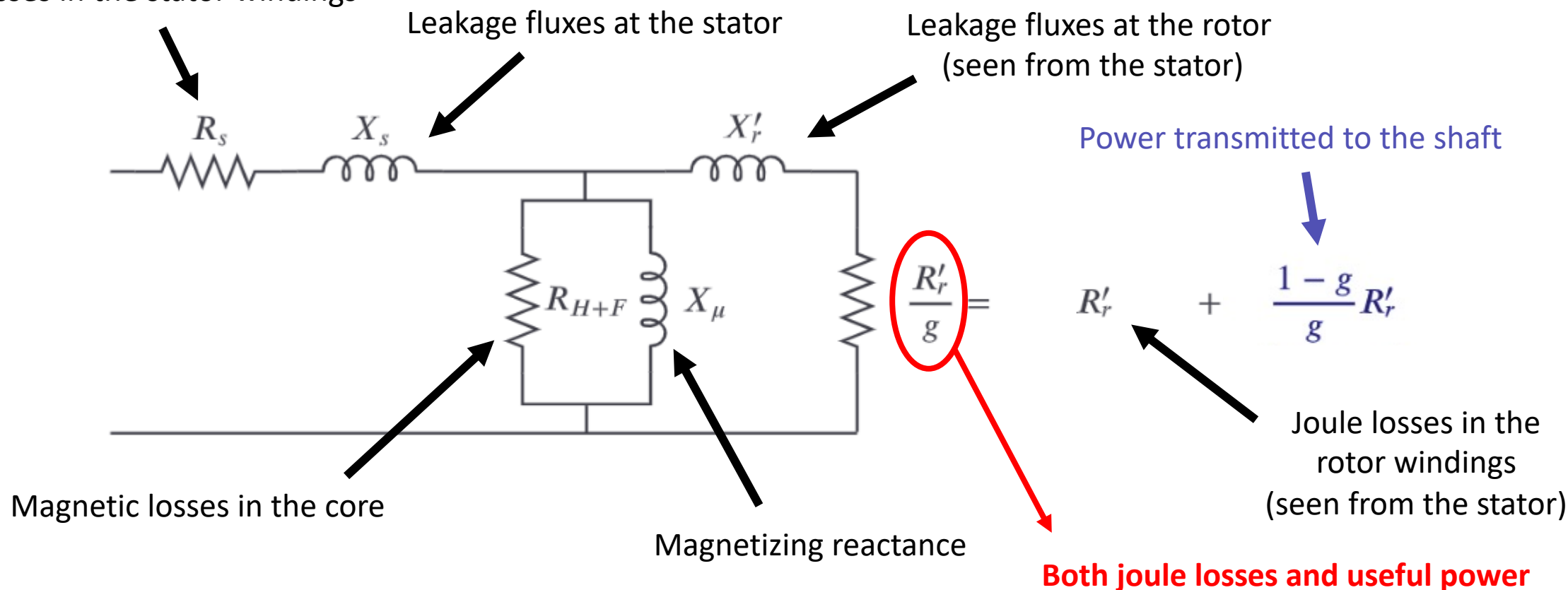
Note:

- If the stator doesn't move → $\dot{\theta} = 0$ → $g = 1$
- if the stator moves at the synchronous speed → $\dot{\theta} = \dot{\theta}_s$ → $g = 0$

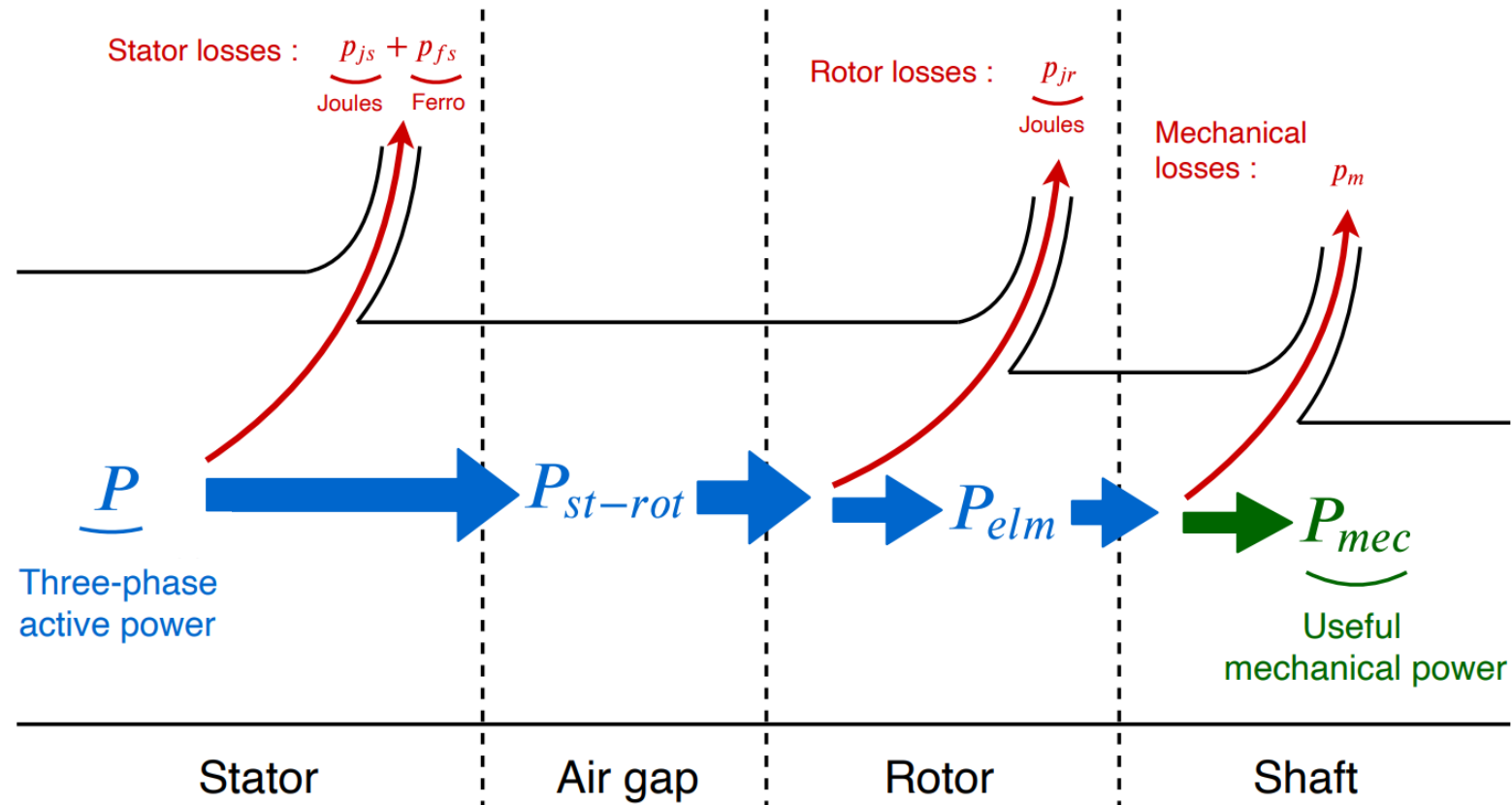
The asynchronous motor

The asynchronous motor has an equivalent circuit similar to the one of a transformer:

Joule losses in the stator windings



The asynchronous motor



Exercise 19: Asynchronous motor for washer cleaner

A star-shaped asynchronous motor of a high-pressure washer cleaner has the following nominal characteristics:

- Power $P_n = 5.5 \text{ kW}$
- Frequency $f_n = 50 \text{ Hz}$
- RMS composed voltage value $U_{sn} = 400 \text{ V}$
- RMS line current intensities $I_{sn} = 11 \text{ A}$
- Speed of rotation $\dot{\theta}_n = 1460 \text{ RPM}$

Assume that the stator reactance X_s is equal to the stator resistance R_s . Use a single-phase equivalent model of the asynchronous motor when needed.

1. Calculate the synchronous speed of rotation $\dot{\theta}_s$, the number of pair of poles p of the motor and the nominal slip g_n .
2. Determine the value of the stator resistance R_s given that a DC current $I_0 = 10 \text{ A}$ flows when a DC voltage $U_0 = 20.6 \text{ V}$ is applied between two lines.
3. At the nominal operating point, without mechanical load, the motor draws a current of RMS value $I_{s0} = 3.07 \text{ A}$ for an active power $P_{s0} = 245 \text{ W}$. Calculate the overall losses and calculate the resistance modelling ferromagnetic losses R_{H+F} and the magnetizing inductance L_μ , assuming that mechanical losses equal ferromagnetic losses;

Consider that the machine operates at nominal speed and produces the nominal mechanical power P_n to the mechanical load. The nominal mechanical power can also be denoted P_{mec} .

4. At the nominal operating point, calculate the transmitted power from the stator to the rotor and the Joules losses in the stator p_{js} and deduce the total consumed power P .
5. Calculate the rotor resistance R'_r and the leak inductance L'_r seen from the stator.
6. At the nominal operating point, calculate the mechanical torque Γ_{un} and the electromagnetic torque Γ_n , the power factor $\cos \varphi_n$ and the efficiency η_n .
7. Compute the RMS value I_s of the line currents, and the power factor $\cos \varphi$ at a rotation speed of 0 RPM .