

Single-phase Transformer Efficiency and Regulation

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Recap

- Losses in the transformer
- Equivalent circuit of the transformer
- Testing of the transformer
- Example

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Lecture-6 Objectives

- Transformer efficiency
- Condition for maximum efficiency
- Voltage regulations for lagging, leading and unity power factor load
- Conditions for zero and maximum voltage regulation
- All day efficiency and its needs
- Sumpner's Test or back to back test
- Polarity test

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Efficiency

- F.L. Iron loss = P_i ...from open-circuit test
- F.L. Cu loss = P_C ...from short-circuit test
- Total losses = $P_i + P_C$
- Full-load efficiency of the transformer at any p.f.

$$\text{F. L. efficiency, } \eta_{fl} = \frac{\text{Full load VA} \times \text{P.F.}}{(\text{Full load VA} \times \text{P.F.}) + P_i + P_C}$$

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- At any load (X times full-load), the total losses will be

$$P_T = P_i + X^2 P_C$$

$$\text{Efficiency at } X \text{ load, } \eta_x = \frac{(X \times \text{Full load VA} \times P.F)}{(X \times \text{Full load VA} \times P.F) + P_i + X^2 P_C}$$

- Note that iron loss remains the same at all loads.

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Condition for Maximum Efficiency

$$\text{Output Power} = V_2 I_2 \cos \Phi_2$$

If R_{02} is the total resistance of the transformer referred to secondary, then,

$$\text{Total Copper loss, } P_C = I_2^2 \cdot R_{02}$$

$$\text{Total losses} = P_i + P_C$$

$$\text{Efficiency, } \eta = \frac{V_2 I_2 \cos \Phi_2}{(V_2 I_2 \cos \Phi_2) + P_i + I_2^2 \cdot R_{02}}$$

$$\text{Efficiency, } \eta = \frac{V_2 \cos \Phi_2}{(V_2 \cos \Phi_2) + \frac{P_i}{I_2} + I_2 \cdot R_{02}}$$

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Condition for Maximum Efficiency

$$\frac{d}{dI_2} (\text{denominator}) = 0$$

$$\frac{d}{dI_2} \left(V_2 \cos \Phi_2 + \frac{P_i}{I_2} + I_2 \cdot R_{02} \right) = 0$$

$$0 - \frac{P_i}{I_2^2} + R_{02} = 0$$

$$P_i = I_2^2 R_{02}$$

- i.e, Iron loss = Copper loss

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Output kVA Corresponding to Maximum Efficiency

- P_C = Copper losses at full-load kVA
- P_i = Iron losses
- X = Fraction of full-load kVA at which efficiency is maximum
- Total Cu losses = $X^2 P_C$
- For maximum efficiency, $P_i = X^2 P_C$

$$\therefore X = \sqrt{\frac{P_i}{P_C}}$$

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Output kVA Corresponding to Maximum Efficiency

Output kVA corresponding to max. efficiency = $X \times$ Full load kVA

Output kVA corresponding to max. efficiency = Full load kVA $\times \sqrt{\frac{P_i}{P_c}}$

- It may be noted that the value of kVA, at which the efficiency is maximum, is independent of p.f. of the load.

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Voltage Regulation

- Change in secondary terminal voltage, when full load at a given power factor and at rated voltage is thrown off, is expressed as a percentage of rated terminal voltage.
- The change in secondary terminal voltage from no load to full load expressed as a percentage of full load voltage.

$$\% \text{ Voltage Regulation} = \frac{V_{2 N.L} - V_{2 F.L}}{V_{2 F.L}} \times 100\%$$

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Voltage Regulation at Different Power factors

- Voltage regulation for lagging p.f at load X ,

$$\% \text{ voltage regulation} = \frac{X \cdot I_2 (R_{02} \cos \phi_2 + X_{02} \sin \phi_2)}{V_2} \times 100\%$$

- Voltage regulation at leading p.f at load X ,

$$\% \text{ voltage regulation} = \frac{X \cdot I_2 (R_{02} \cos \phi_2 - X_{02} \sin \phi_2)}{V_2} \times 100\%$$

- Voltage regulation at Unity p.f at load X ,

$$\% \text{ voltage regulation} = \frac{X \cdot I_2 \cdot R_{02}}{V_2} \times 100\%$$

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Leading power factor

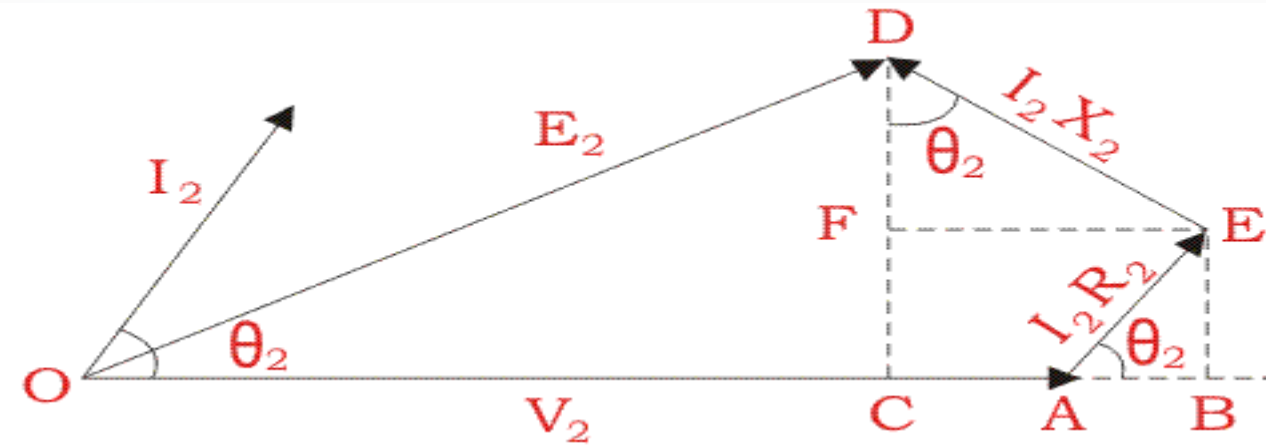
Here, from the above diagram,

$$OC = OA + AB - BC$$

$$\text{Here, } OA = V_2$$

$$\text{Here, } AB = AE \cos \theta_2 = I_2 R_2 \cos \theta_2$$

$$\text{and, } BC = DE \sin \theta_2 = I_2 X_2 \sin \theta_2$$



Angle between OC and OD may be very small, so it can be neglected and OD is considered nearly equal to OC i.e.

$$E_2 = OC = OA + AB - BC$$

$$E_2 = OC = V_2 + I_2 R_2 \cos \theta_2 - I_2 X_2 \sin \theta_2$$

Voltage regulation of transformer at leading power factor,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Voltage regulation (\%)} &= \frac{E_2 - V_2}{V_2} \times 100(\%) \\ &= \frac{I_2 R_2 \cos \theta_2 - I_2 X_2 \sin \theta_2}{V_2} \times 100(\%) \end{aligned}$$

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In a 25 kVA, 2000 V / 200 V transformer, the constant and variable losses are 350 W and 400 W respectively. Calculate the efficiency on unity power factor at full load and half the full load.

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All Day Efficiency

- The ordinary or commercial efficiency of a transformer is defined as the ratio of output power to the input power i.e.,

$$\text{Commercial efficiency} = \frac{\text{Output power}}{\text{Input power}}$$

Primaries of distribution transformers are energized all the 24 hours in a day but the secondary windings supply little or no load during the major portion of the day.

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All Day Efficiency

- Constant loss occurs during the whole day but copper loss occurs only when the transformer is loaded.
- The performance of such transformers is judged on the basis of energy consumption during the whole day (i.e., 24 hours).
- This is known as all-day or energy efficiency.

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All Day Efficiency

- The ratio of output in kWh to the input in kWh of a transformer over a 24-hour period is known as all-day efficiency i.e.,

$$\eta_{all-day} = \frac{\text{kWh output in 24 hours}}{\text{kWh input in 24 hours}}$$

- In the design of such transformers, efforts should be made to reduce the iron losses which continuously occur during the whole day.

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All Day Efficiency

- A 40kVA distribution transformer has iron loss of 500 W and full load copper loss of 500 W. the transformer is supplying a lighting load. The load cycle is as under: Full load for 4 hours, half load for 8 hours and no load for 12 hours. Calculate the all day efficiency.

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All Day Efficiency

- A transformer has its maximum efficiency of 0.98 at 15 kVA at UPF.

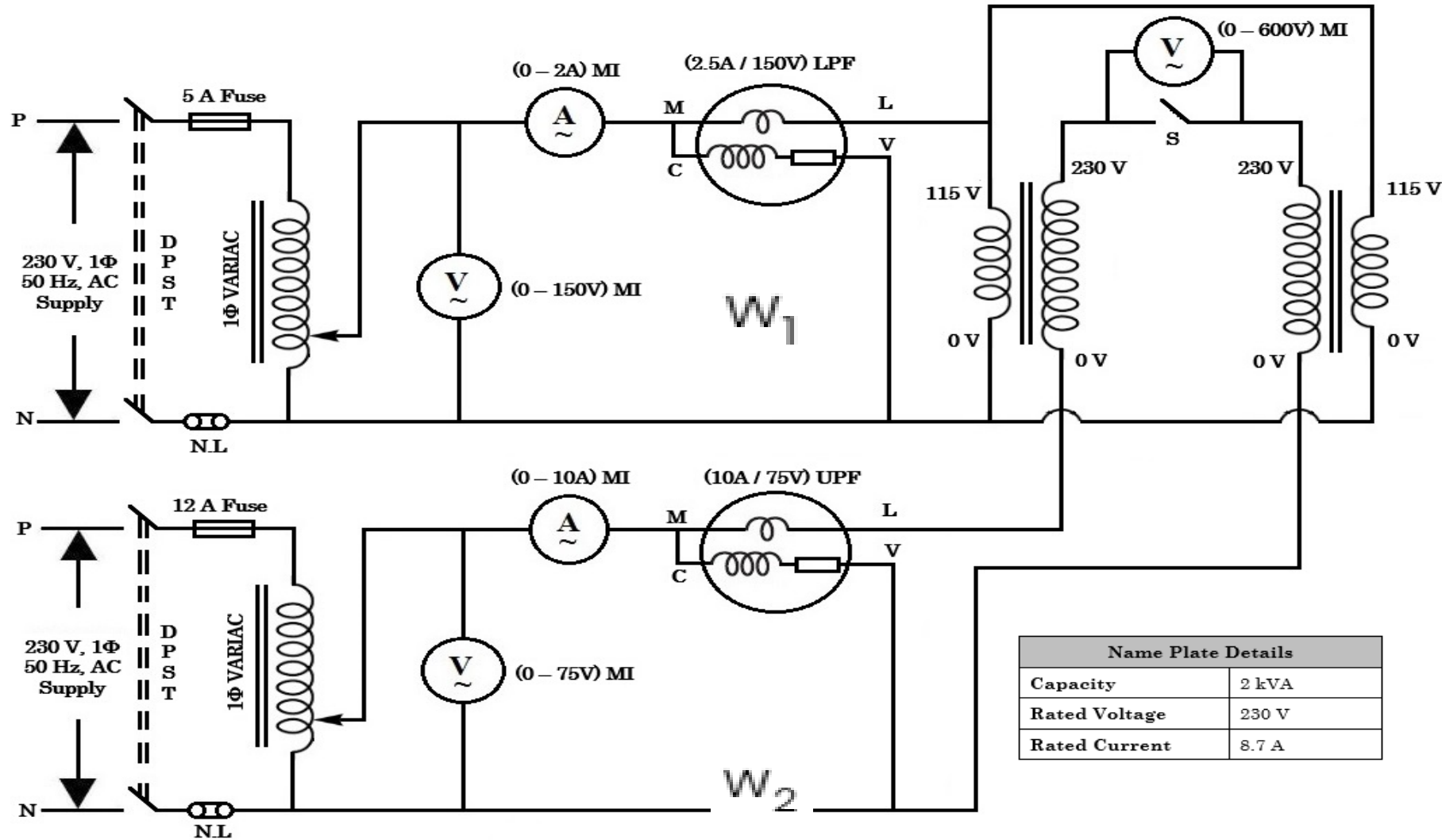
During the day it is loaded as follows:

Duration	Load	Power Factor
12 hours	2 kW	at 0.5 p.f
6 hours	12 kW	at 0.8 p.f
4 hours	18 kW	at 0.9 p.f
2 hours	No load	

- Find the “All Day Efficiency”.

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Sumpner's Test or back to back test



$$\% \text{ full load efficiency of each transformer} = \frac{\text{output}}{\text{output} + \frac{W_1}{2} + \frac{W_2}{2}} \times 100$$

$$P_{Cu} = W_2/2.$$

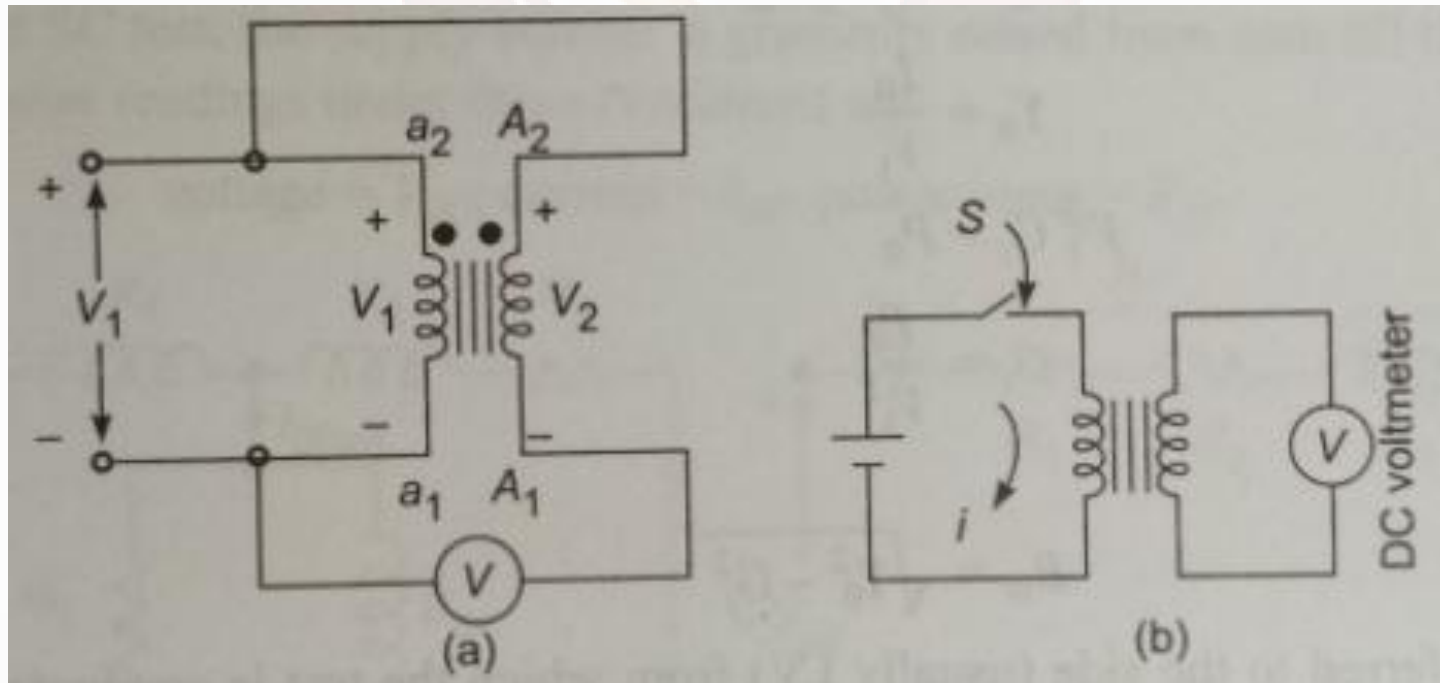
$$P_i = W_1/2.$$

Name Plate Details	
Capacity	2 kVA
Rated Voltage	230 V
Rated Current	8.7 A

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Polarity Test

- Similar polarity ends of two windings are those ends that acquire positive and negative polarity of emf induced in them simultaneously.



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