

Exercise: Study of an induction motor

We consider a squirrel cage induction motor powered by a network with a frequency of **50 Hz** and voltages **between phases** equal to **380 V**.

It was subjected to the following tests:

At no-load:

- No-load absorbed power : $P_{a0} = 360 \text{ W}$
- No-load current : $I_0 = 3.6 \text{ A}$
- Rotation speed : $N_0 = 2995 \text{ rpm}$

With load:

- Absorbed power : $P_a = 4560 \text{ W}$
- Current : $I = 8.1 \text{ A}$
- Rotation speed : $N = 2880 \text{ rpm}$

The windings of the stator are **coupled in star**; The resistance of **each of them** is $r = 0.75\Omega$.

Iron losses in the stator P_{fs} are estimated at **130 W**.

1- What is the synchronism speed N_s ? Deduce the slip g under load.

2- For no-load operation:

- a) Calculate the Joule losses P_{j0s} at the stator.
- b) Justify that in addition to rotor iron losses, the Joule losses in the rotor are negligible.
- c) Deduce the mechanical losses p_{mec} .

3- Under load operation :

- a) Calculate the stator joule losses P_{js} and the joule losses in the rotor P_{jr}
- b) Calculate the useful power P_u and torque C_u of the motor
- c) Calculate the efficiency of the motor η

4- The motor now drives a pump whose moment of the resistive torque C_r is Proportional to the rotation speed and is **18 Nm** at **3000 rpm**.

In its useful part, the mechanical characteristic C_u (N) of the motor can be assimilated to a **straight line**.

Determine the rotation speed N of the motor-pump unit.

Correction

1) $N_s = 3000 \text{ tr/min}$

$$g = \frac{3000 - 2880}{3000} = 4\%$$

2) For no-load operation:

a) $P_{j0s} = 3 \times R \times I_0^2 = 3 \times 0.75 \times 3.6^2 = 29W$

b) At no-load, the slip g is negligible.

$$P_{jr} = g \times P_{tr}$$

Therefore, the Joule losses in the rotor are negligible.

c) $p_{mec} = P_{a0} - P_{j0s} - P_{fs} = 201 W$

3) Under load operation:

a) $P_{js} = 3 \times R \times I^2 = 3 \times 0.75 \times 8.1^2 = 148 W$

b) $P_{jr} = g \times P_{tr} = g \times (P_a - P_{js} - P_{fs}) = 0.04 \times (4560 - 148 - 130) =$

$$P_{jr} = 0.04 \times 4282 = 171W$$

$$P_u = 4282 - 171 - 201 = 3910 W$$

$$C_u = \frac{P_u}{\Omega} = \frac{3910}{2880 \times \frac{\pi}{30}} = 13 Nm$$

c) $\eta = \frac{P_u}{P_a} = \frac{3910}{4560} = 85,7\%$

4) $C_r (Nm) = 0,006 N (\text{tr/min})$

$$C_u = 0 Nm \text{ à } 3000 \text{ tr/min}$$

$$C_u = 13,0 Nm \text{ à } 2880 \text{ tr/min}$$

$$\text{So } C_u(Nm) = 324 - 0.108 N (\text{tr/min})$$

Operation point:

$$C_u = C_r$$

$$324 - 0.108 N = 0.006 N$$

$$N = 2842 \text{ tr/min}$$