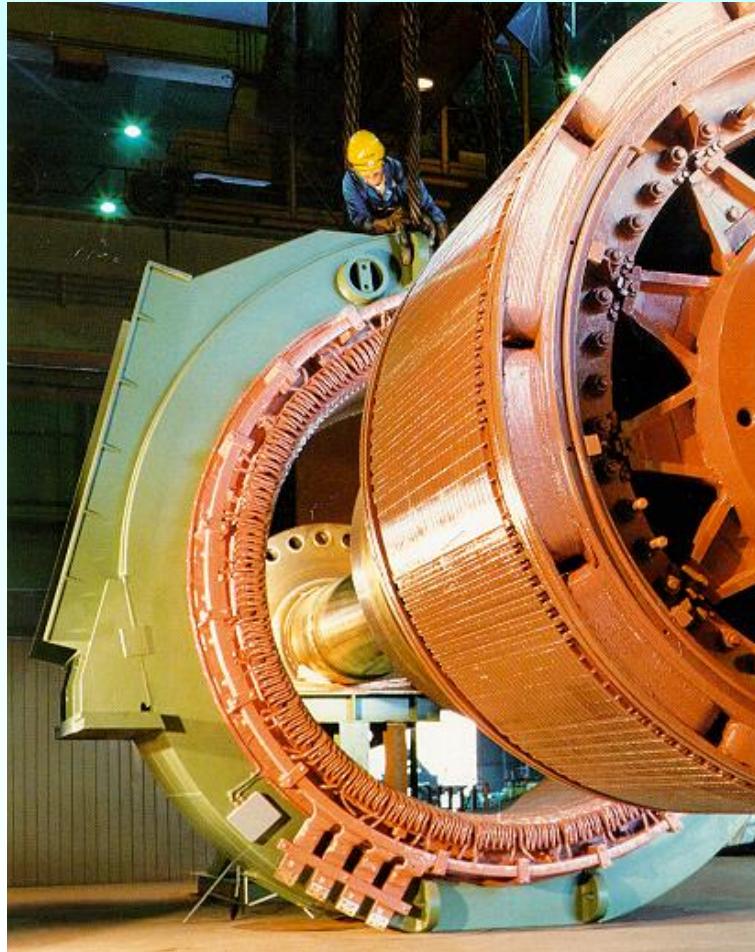


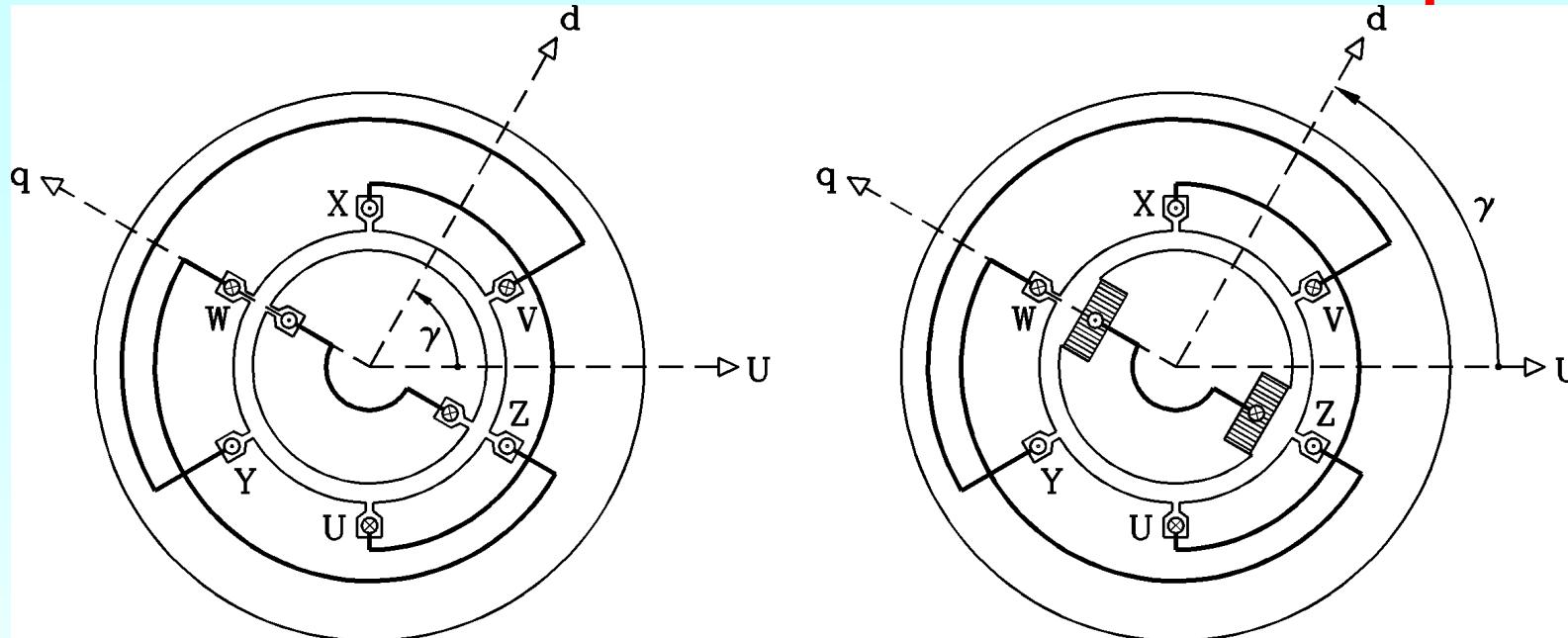
# 8. The Synchronous Machine



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# Synchronous machine with round rotor and salient pole rotor



**ROUND ROTOR:** Field winding distributed in rotor slots; constant air gap

**SALIENT POLE ROTOR:** concentrated field winding on rotor poles; air gap is minimum at pole centre

- **Synchronous machine:** Rotor field winding excites static magnetic rotor field with DC field current  $I_f$ .
- **MOTOR**-operation: Stator 3-phase ac current system  $I_s$  excites **stator rotating air gap field**. This field rotates with  $n = f_s/p$  and attracts rotor magnetic field, which has same number of poles. So rotor will rotate **synchronously** with stator field.
- **GENERATOR**-mode: Rotor is driven mechanically, and induces with rotor field in the stator winding a 3-phase voltage system with frequency  $f_s = n \cdot p$ . Stator current due to this voltage excites stator field, which rotates **synchronously with rotor**.



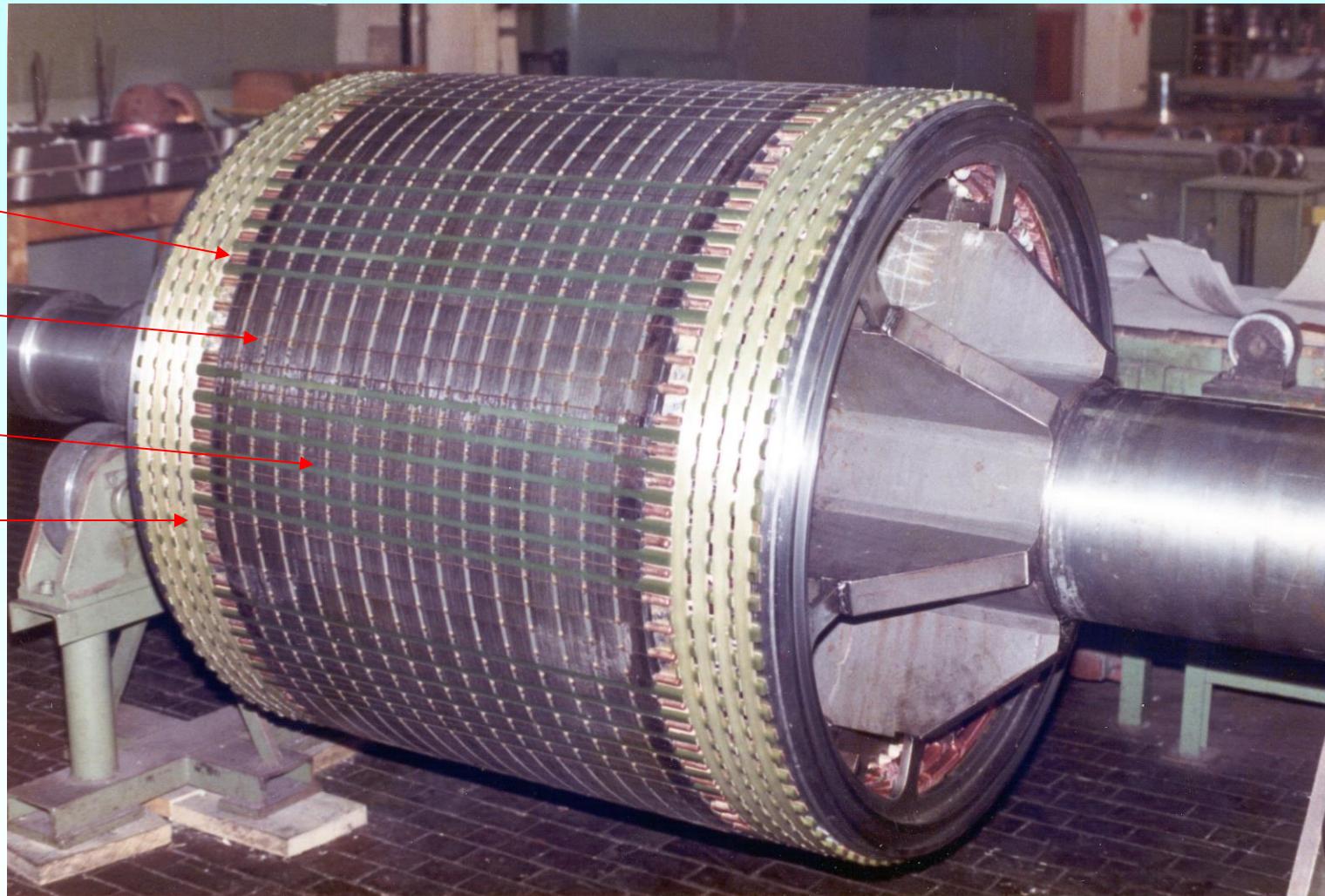
# Round rotor synchronous machine, 8 poles

Three field coils per pole:  $q_r = 3$

Damper cage with 9 bars per pole

Radial ventilation ducts

Glass fibre bandage for fixing rotor coil overhang

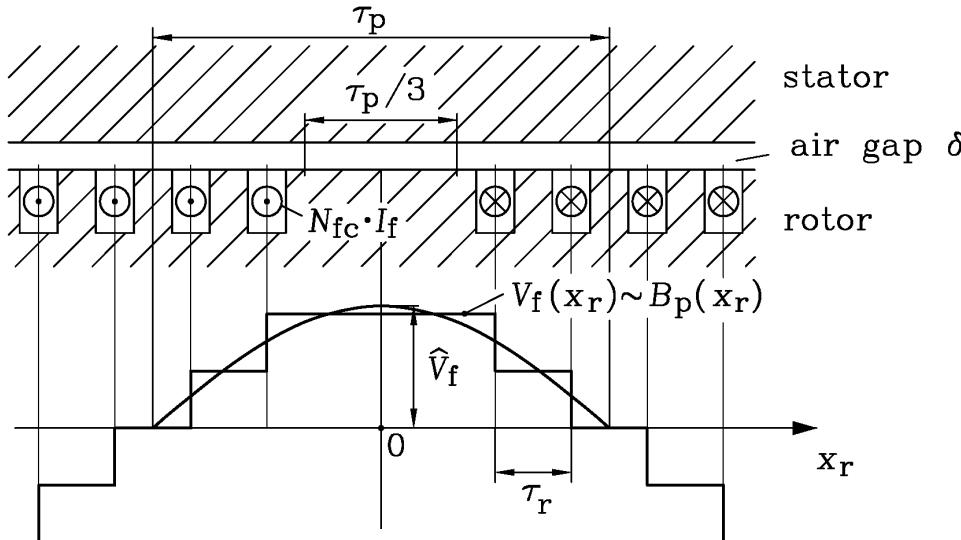


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# Rotor air gap field and stator back EMF of round rotor synchronous machine



- Rotor m.m.f. and air gap field distribution have steps due to slots and contain fundamental ( $\mu = 1$ ):

$$\hat{V}_f = \frac{2}{\pi} \cdot \frac{N_f}{p} \cdot (k_{p,f} k_{d,f}) \cdot I_f$$

$$\hat{B}_p = \mu_0 \frac{\hat{V}_f}{\delta}, \quad N_f = 2p \cdot q_r \cdot N_{fc}$$

$$k_{p,f} = \sin\left(\frac{W}{\tau_p} \cdot \frac{\pi}{2}\right) = \sin(\pi/3) = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$k_{d,f} = \frac{\sin(\pi/6)}{q_r \sin(\pi/(6q_r))}, \quad k_{wf} = k_{pf} k_{df}$$

- Back EMF  $U_p$  (synchronously induced stator voltage):** Rotor field fundamental  $B_p$  induces **in 3-phase stator winding** at speed  $n$  a 3-phase voltage system  $U_p$ :

$$U_p = \omega \cdot \Psi_p / \sqrt{2} = \omega \cdot N_s k_{w,s} \cdot \Phi_p / \sqrt{2} = \sqrt{2\pi f} \cdot N_s k_{w,s} \cdot \frac{2}{\pi} l \tau_p \hat{B}_p$$

with **frequency**  $f_s = n \cdot p \Rightarrow$  Current  $I_s$  will flow in stator winding.



# Round rotor synchronous machine: Equivalent circuit

- **Stator winding:** Three phase AC winding like in induction machines with self-induced voltage due to stator rotating magnetic field, described by stator air gap field **main reactance  $X_h$**  and **stator leakage flux reactance  $X_{s\sigma}$** . With **stator phase resistance  $R_s$**  we get stator voltage equation per phase:

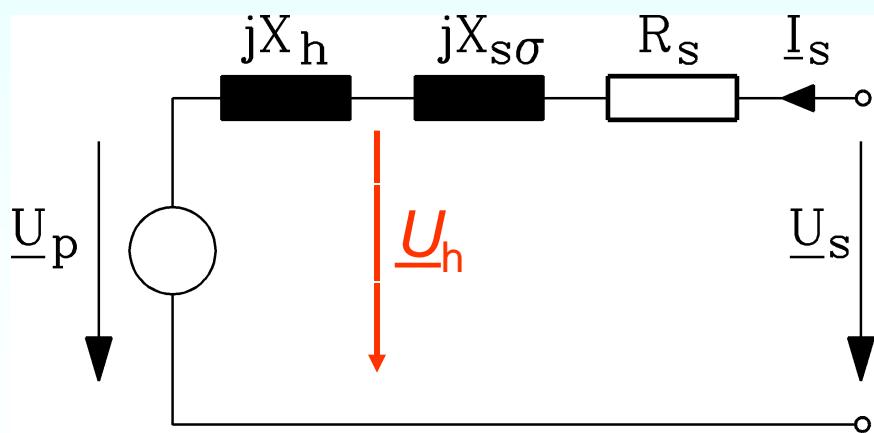
$$\underline{U}_s = \underline{U}_p + jX_h \underline{I}_s + jX_{s\sigma} \underline{I}_s + R_s \underline{I}_s$$

$$\underline{U}_s = \underline{U}_p + jX_d \underline{I}_s + R_s \underline{I}_s$$

"**synchronous reactance**":  $X_d = X_{s\sigma} + X_h$

contains effect of total stator magnetic field !

- **Equivalent circuit per stator phase:** for stator voltage equation (ac voltage and current). In rotor winding only DC voltage and current:  $U_f = R_f \cdot I_f$



- **Rotor electric circuit:**

**$U_f$ : Rotor dc field voltage:** (exciter voltage):  $U_f$  impresses via 2 slip rings and carbon brushes a rotor DC current (**field current  $I_f$** ) into rotor field winding. Field winding resistance is  $R_f$ .



# Transfer ratio for rotor field current

- **Stator self-induced voltage:**  $\underline{U}_{s,s} = jX_h \underline{I}_s$  by stator air-gap field
  - **Back EMF  $\underline{U}_p$ :** Induced by rotor air gap field. It may be changed by field current  $I_f$  arbitrarily DURING OPERATION = "**synchronous machine is controlled voltage source**".
- a) **Amplitude of  $\underline{U}_p$**  is determined via  $I_f$ .
- b) **Phase shift of  $\underline{U}_p$**  with respect to stator voltage  $\underline{U}_s$  is determined by relative position of rotor north pole axis with respect to stator north pole axis. Rotor pole position is described by **load angle  $\vartheta$** .
- **Amplitude and phase shift of  $\underline{U}_p$ :** may be described in equivalent circuit by **fictive AC stator current  $\underline{I}'_f$** :  $\underline{U}_p = jX_h \underline{I}'_f$
  - **This defines transfer ratio of field current  $\ddot{u}_{If}$ :**  $I'_f = \frac{1}{\ddot{u}_{If}} I_f$

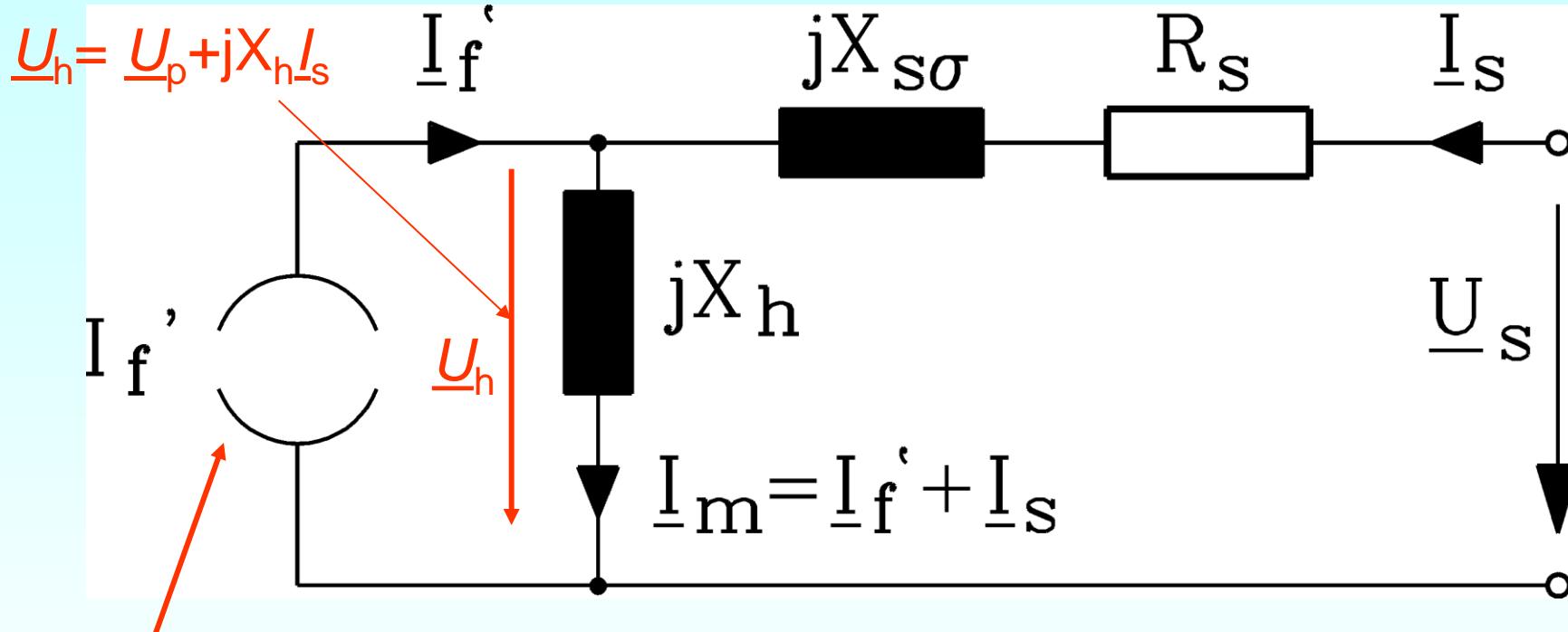
$$I'_f = \frac{\underline{U}_p}{\underline{U}_{s,s}} I_s = \frac{B_p}{B_{s,\delta}} I_s = \hat{V}_f \cdot \frac{I_s}{\hat{V}_s} : \text{ shall be } \frac{1}{\ddot{u}_{If}} I_f$$

With  $\hat{V}_f = \frac{2}{\pi} \cdot \frac{N_f}{p} \cdot k_{wf} \cdot I_f$ ,  $\hat{V}_s = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\pi} \cdot \frac{m_s N_s}{p} \cdot k_{ws} \cdot I_s$  we get:

$$\ddot{u}_{If} = \frac{m_s N_s k_{ws} \sqrt{2}}{2 N_f k_{wf}}$$



# Alternative equivalent circuit: Current source for equivalent field current $\underline{I}'_f$

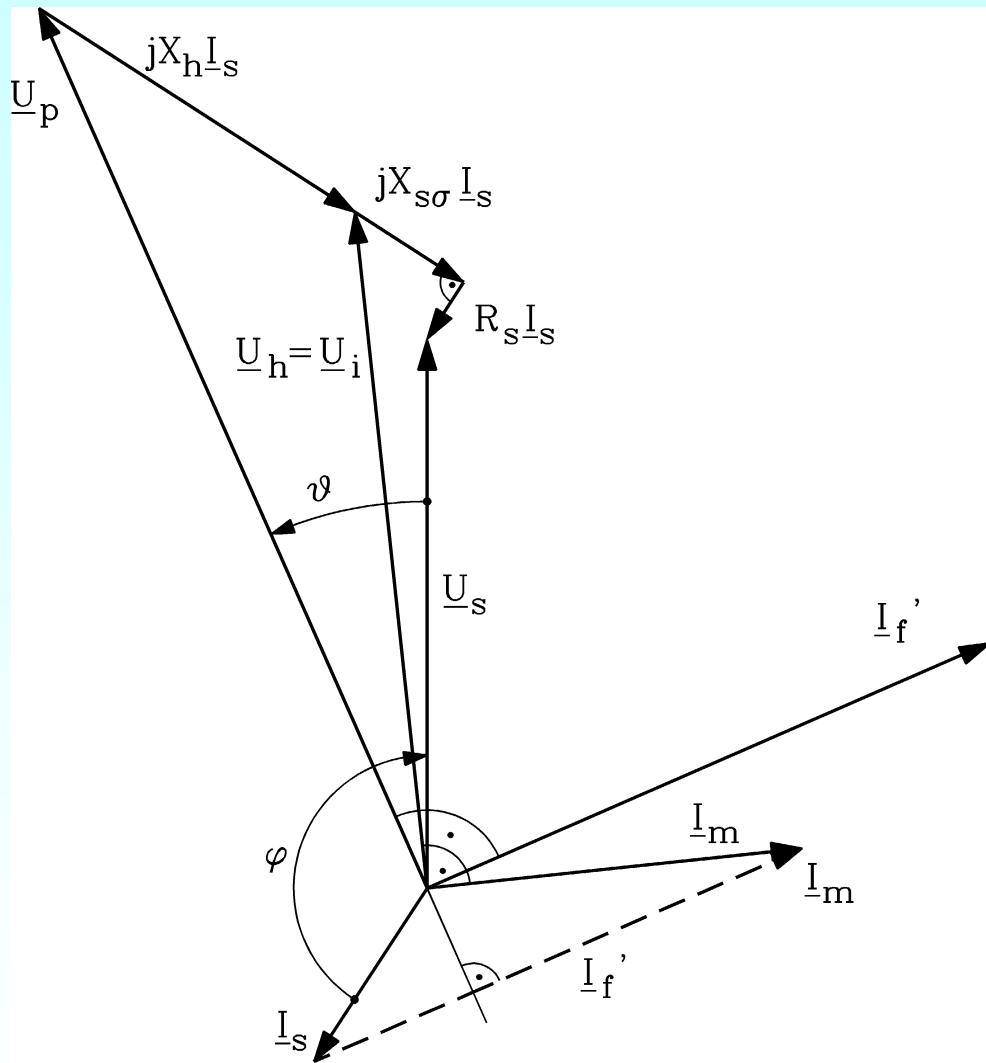


Fictitious AC current source  $\underline{I}'_f$  generates synchronous back EMF  $\underline{U}_p$  as voltage drop at magnetizing reactance

$$\underline{U}_p = jX_h \underline{I}'_f$$



# Phasor diagram of round rotor synchronous machine



- Example: Generator, over-excited:
- a) electrical active power:

$$P_e = m_s U_s I_s \cos \varphi$$

Phase angle  $\varphi$  between  $-90^\circ$  and  $-180^\circ$ :  
Hence  $\cos \varphi$  negative:  $P_e$  is negative = power delivered to the grid  
**(GENERATOR)**.

$P_e < 0$ : **Generator**,  
 $P_e > 0$ : **Motor**.

- b) electrical reactive power:

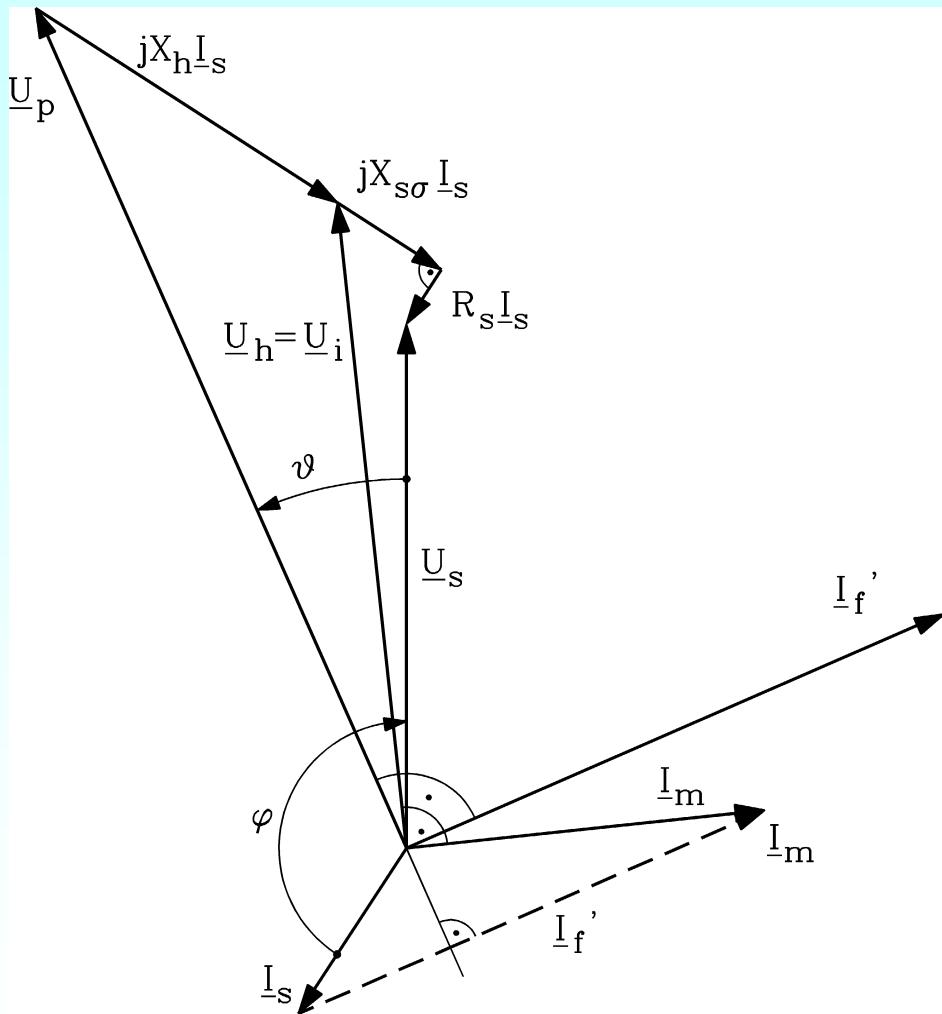
$$Q = m_s U_s I_s \sin \varphi$$

Phase angle  $\varphi$  negative = stator current LEADS ahead stator voltage:  
 $\sin \varphi$  negative:  $Q$  is negative = capacitive reactive power: Machine is **capacitive consumer**.

$Q < 0$ : **over-excited**, capacitive consumer.  
 $Q > 0$ : **under-excited**, inductive consumer.



# Load angle $\vartheta$ , internal voltage $U_h$ , magnetising current $I_m$



- **Load angle  $\vartheta$**  between stator phase voltage  $U_s$  and back EMF phasor  $U_p$ . Counted in mathematical positive sense (counter-clockwise).
  - **Internal voltage  $U_h$**  is induced in stator winding by resulting air gap field (rotor and stator field):
- $$U_h = U_p + jX_h I_s$$
- **Magnetising current  $I_m$ :**  
Fictitious stator current to excite resulting air gap field (rotor and stator field):
- $$I_m = I'_f + I_s$$
- Voltage triangle  $U_p, jX_h I_s, U_h$  and current triangle  $I'_f, I_s, I_m$  are of the same shape, but shifted by  $90^\circ$ .

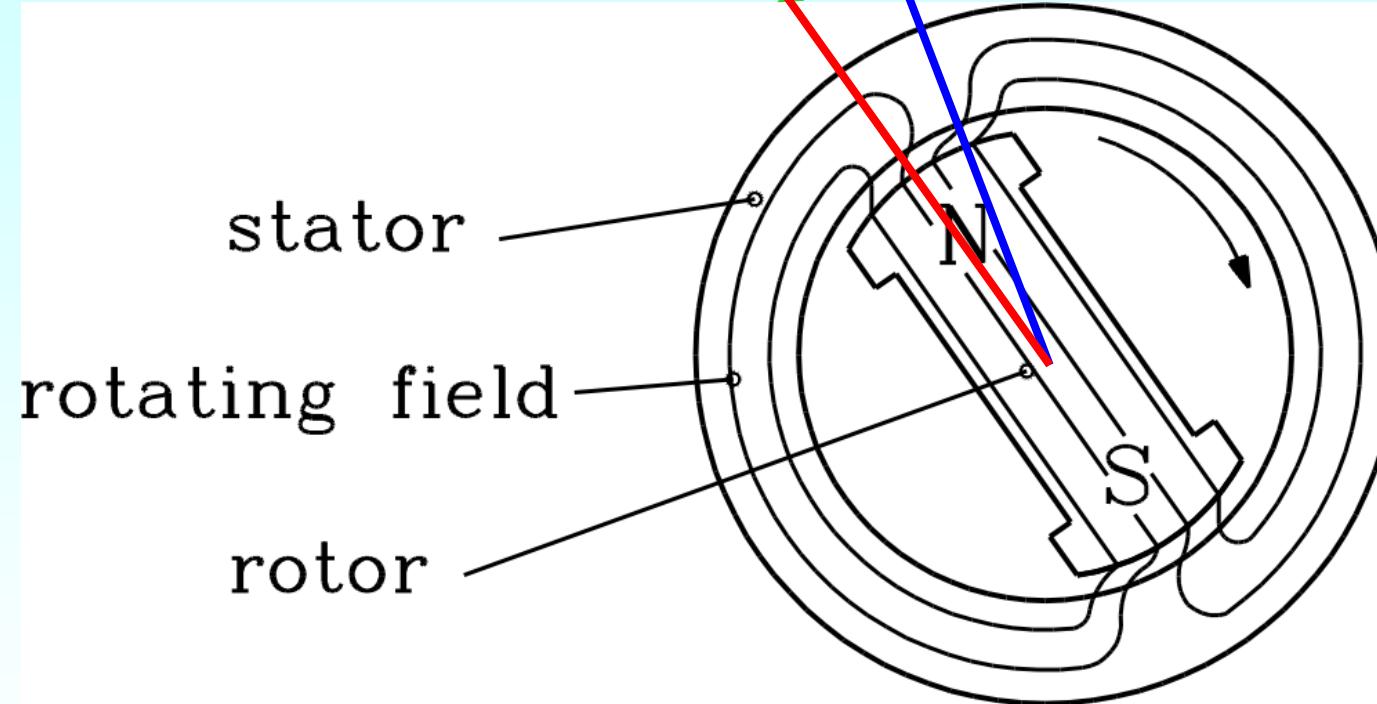
# Load angle $\vartheta$ - internal voltage $U_h$

$U_h$  Load angle  $\vartheta$  (exactly at  $R_s, X_{s\sigma} = 0$ )

$$U_p$$

$$\vartheta$$

$$U_h$$



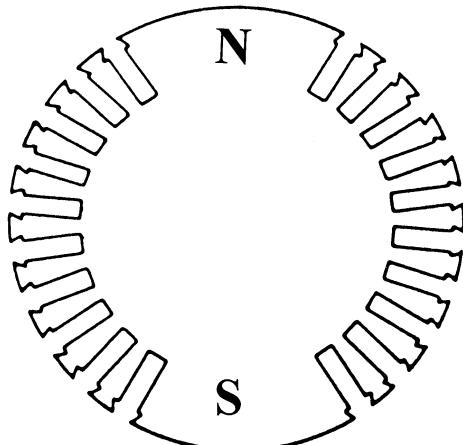
# Over-/under-excitation, generator/motor-mode

GENERATOR: rotor leading	MOTOR: rotor lagging	
<p><math>\vartheta &gt; 0</math>   <math>\varphi &lt; 0</math></p>	<p><math>\vartheta &lt; 0</math>   <math>\varphi &lt; 0</math></p>	overexcited
<p><math>\vartheta &gt; 0</math>   <math>\varphi &gt; 0</math></p>	<p><math>\vartheta &lt; 0</math>   <math>\varphi &gt; 0</math></p>	underexcited

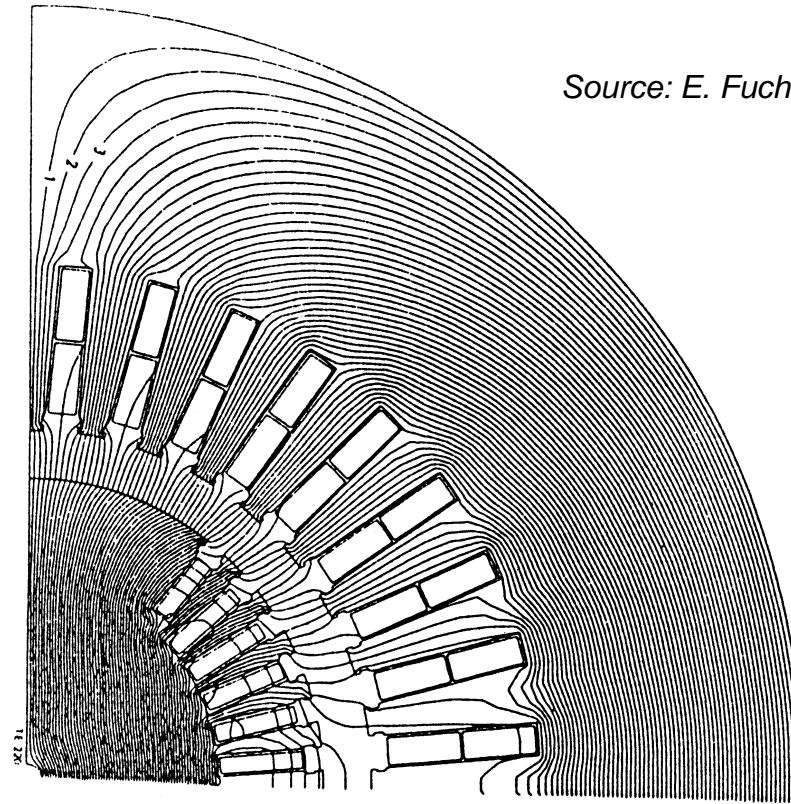
- **Generator mode:  $\vartheta > 0$ : Rotor LEADS ahead of resulting rotating magnetic field = Phasor  $\underline{U}_p$  LEADS ahead of  $\underline{U}_h$ .**
- **Motor mode:  $\vartheta < 0$ : Rotor LAGS behind resulting magnetic field = Phasor  $\underline{U}_p$  LAGS behind  $\underline{U}_h$ .**
- **Over-excitation: Machine is capacitive consumer:** Phasor  $\underline{U}_p$  is longer than phasor  $\underline{U}_h$ : big field current  $I_f$  is needed.
- **Under-excitation: Machine is inductive consumer:** Phasor  $\underline{U}_p$  is shorter than phasor  $\underline{U}_h$ : small field current  $I_f$  is needed.
- **Facit:** *Stator- and rotor field rotate always synchronously. Generator- and motor mode are only defined by sign of load angle  $\vartheta$ .*



# Round rotor synchronous machine: Magnetic field at no-load



Polachse = Feldachse



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## Rotor cross section without field winding:

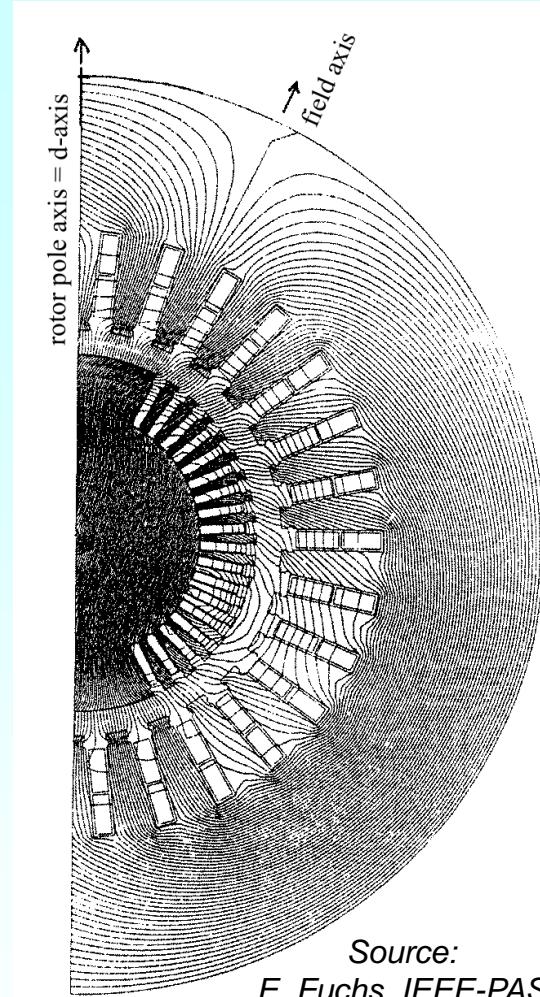
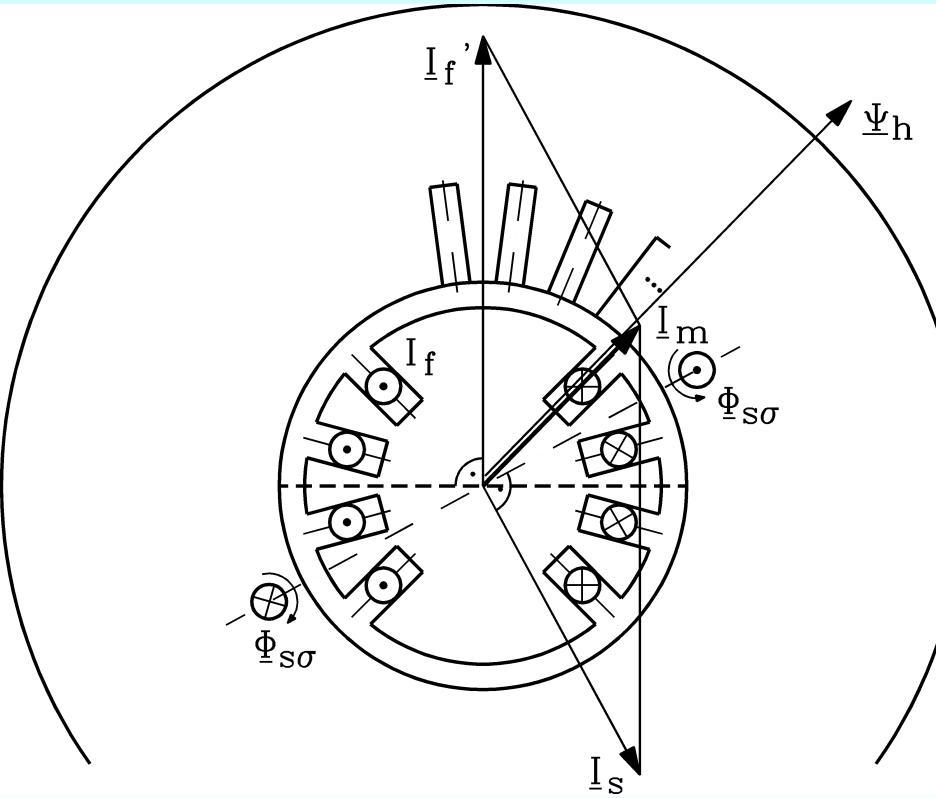
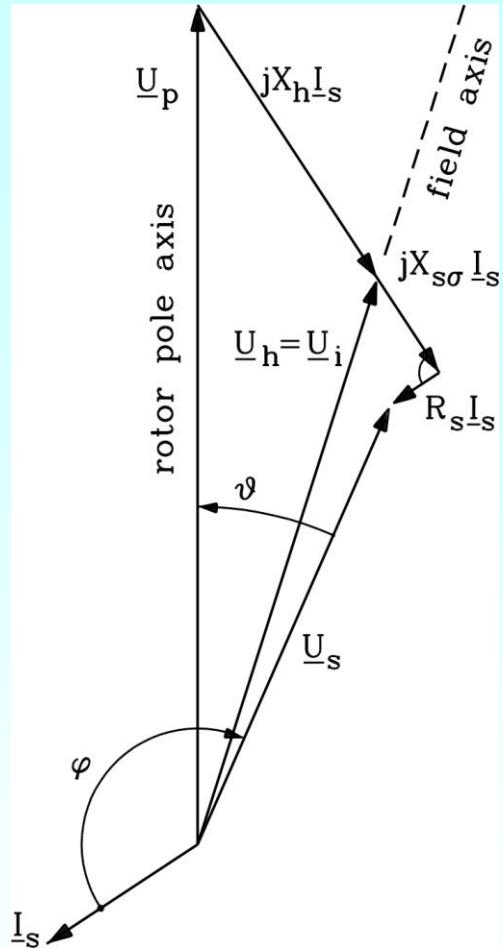
- Slots per pole  $2q_r = 10$ , 2-pole rotor
- Rotor may be constructed of massive iron, as rotor contains only **static magnetic field !**

## Magnetic field at no-load ( $I_s = 0, I_f > 0$ ):

- Field winding excited by  $I_f$
  - Stator winding without current (**no-load**)
  - Field lines in air gap in radial direction = no tangential magnetic pull = **torque is zero !**
- (Example:  $2p = 2, q_s = 6, q_r = 6$ )



# Round rotor synchronous machine: Magnetic field at load



- Magnetic field at load ( $I_s > 0, I_f > 0$ ): Rotor pole axis = Direction of  $U_p$ , resulting field axis = Direction of  $U_h$
- Field lines in air gap have also tangential component = tangential magnetic pull = torque !

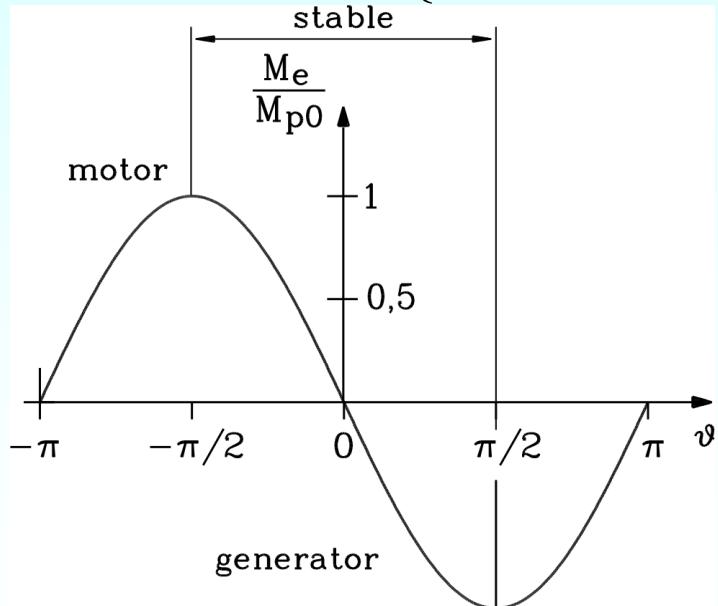


# Torque of round rotor synchronous machine at $U_s = \text{const.} \& R_s = 0$

- Machine operates at RIGID grid:  $U_s = \text{constant} = U_s$  (= phasor put in real axis of complex plane):  

$$\underline{U}_p = U_p (\cos \vartheta + j \cdot \sin \vartheta) \text{ and } \underline{I}_s = (U_s - \underline{U}_p) / (jX_d) \Rightarrow \underline{I}_s^* = (U_s - \underline{U}_p^*) / (-jX_d)$$
- Active power  $P_e$ :  $P_e = m_s U_s I_s \cos \varphi = m_s \cdot \text{Re}\{\underline{U}_s \underline{I}_s^*\}$  (\*: conjugate complex)

$$P_e = m_s \cdot \text{Re} \left\{ U_s \cdot \frac{U_s - U_p (\cos \vartheta - j \cdot \sin \vartheta)}{-jX_d} \right\} = -m_s \frac{U_s U_p}{X_d} \sin \vartheta$$



- Electromagnetic torque:

$$M_e = \frac{P_m}{\Omega_{syn}} = \frac{P_e}{\Omega_{syn}} = -\frac{m_s}{\Omega_{syn}} \cdot \frac{U_s U_p}{X_d} \sin \vartheta = -M_{p0} \sin \vartheta$$

Note:

All losses neglected (“unity” efficiency).

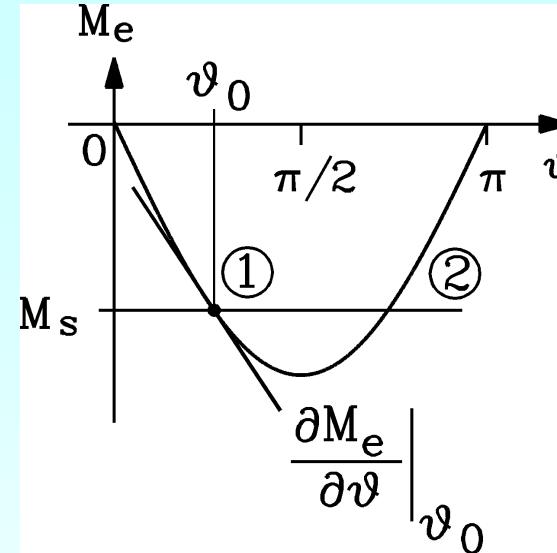
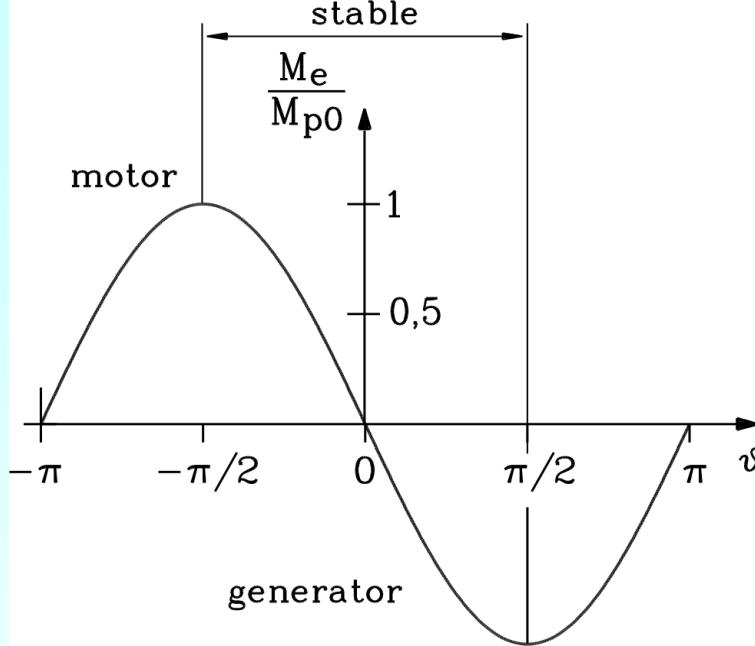
*Negative torque:* Generator:  $M_e$  is braking

*Positive torque:* Motor:  $M_e$  is driving

**Machine speed is always synchronous speed !**



# Stable points of operation



- Example:** Torque-load angle curve  $M(\vartheta)$ : in generator mode the mechanical driving shaft torque  $M_s$  is determining operation points 1 and 2.
- Operation point 1 is **stable**, operation point 2 is **unstable**. The **stability limit** is at load angle  $\pi/2$  (generator limit) and  $-\pi/2$  (motor limit).

**Facit:** Synchronous motor and generator **pull-out torque  $\pm M_{p0}$**  occurs at **pull-out load angle  $\pm \pi/2$** . Rotor is "**pulled out**" of synchronism, if load torque exceeds pull-out torque. Result: Pulled-out rotor does not run synchronously with stator magnetic field, which is determined by the grid voltage. The rotor slips! No active power is converted any longer.



# Stability analysis of operation points

- **Torque-load angle curve**  $M_e(\vartheta)$  linearized in operation point  $\vartheta_0$ : **Tangent** as linearization:  $M_e(\vartheta) \approx M_e(\vartheta_0) + \partial M_e / \partial \vartheta \cdot \Delta \vartheta$  with  $\Delta \vartheta = \vartheta - \vartheta_0$

$$c_g(\vartheta_0) = \left. \partial M_e / \partial \vartheta \right|_{\vartheta_0} : \text{Equivalent spring constant} \Leftrightarrow \Delta M_e = c_g \cdot \Delta \vartheta$$

- **Change of load angle** with time causes **change of speed**  $\Delta \Omega_m$ :

$$d\Delta \vartheta / dt = p \cdot \Delta \Omega_m \Rightarrow \Omega_m(t) = \Omega_{syn} + \Delta \Omega_m(t)$$

- **NEWTON's law of motion:**  $J \frac{d\Omega_m}{dt} = M_e(\vartheta) - M_s(\vartheta) = c_g \cdot \Delta \vartheta = J \frac{d\Delta \Omega_m}{dt}$  leads to

$$J \frac{d^2 \Delta \vartheta}{dt^2} - p \cdot c_g \cdot \Delta \vartheta = 0$$

a)  $|\vartheta| < \pi/2 : c_g = -|c_g| < 0$ , b)  $|\vartheta| > \pi/2 : c_g = |c_g| > 0$

a)  $|\vartheta| < \pi/2 : \Delta \ddot{\vartheta} + (p \cdot |c_g| / J) \cdot \Delta \vartheta = 0 \Rightarrow \Delta \ddot{\vartheta} + \omega_e^2 \Delta \vartheta = 0 \Rightarrow \Delta \vartheta(t) \sim \sin(\omega_e t)$

**Deviation of load angle from steady state point of operation remains limited: STABLE operation**

b)  $|\vartheta| > \pi/2 : \Delta \ddot{\vartheta} - (p \cdot |c_g| / J) \cdot \Delta \vartheta = 0 \Rightarrow \Delta \ddot{\vartheta} - \omega_e^2 \Delta \vartheta = 0$

$\Rightarrow \Delta \vartheta(t) \sim \sinh(\omega_e t)$  **Deviation of load angle from operation point increases: UNSTABLE**



# Torsional oscillations of synchronous machine

- Deviation of load angle in stable point of operation due to disturbance:

$$|\vartheta| < \pi/2: \quad \Delta \ddot{\vartheta} + (p \cdot |c_{\vartheta}| / J) \cdot \Delta \vartheta = 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{\Delta \ddot{\vartheta} + \omega_e^2 \Delta \vartheta = 0} \Rightarrow \Delta \vartheta(t) \sim \sin(\omega_e t)$$

leads to differential equation **with oscillation as solution**. Rotor oscillates around steady state point of operation  $\vartheta_0$ , which is defined by the stator field, that is generated by the “rigid” grid.

**Natural frequency of oscillation (eigen-frequency):**

$$f_e = \frac{\omega_e}{2\pi} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{p|c_{\vartheta}|}{J}}$$

Fact: The synchronous machine is performing like a (non-linear) torsional spring.

**Example:** Operation at no-load ( $M_e = 0$ ,  $\vartheta_0 = 0$ ):  $|c_{\vartheta}| = |-M_{p0} \cdot \cos(0)| = M_{p0}$

With  $p\Omega_{syn} = \omega_N$  and rated acceleration time  $T_J = \frac{J \cdot \Omega_{syn}}{M_N}$  we get:  $f_e = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{\omega_N \cdot M_{p0}}{T_J \cdot M_N}}$

**Synchronous motor driving a fan blower for a wind tunnel:**

$P_N = 50 \text{ MW}$ ,  $f_N = 50 \text{ Hz}$ ,  $T_J = 10 \text{ s}$ ,  $M_{p0}/M_N = 1.5$ ,

$$f_e = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{2\pi 50}{10} \cdot 1.5} = \underline{\underline{1.09 \text{ Hz}}}$$



# Round rotor synchronous machine – Stator 1

Turbo-  
Generator

Stator  
stacking



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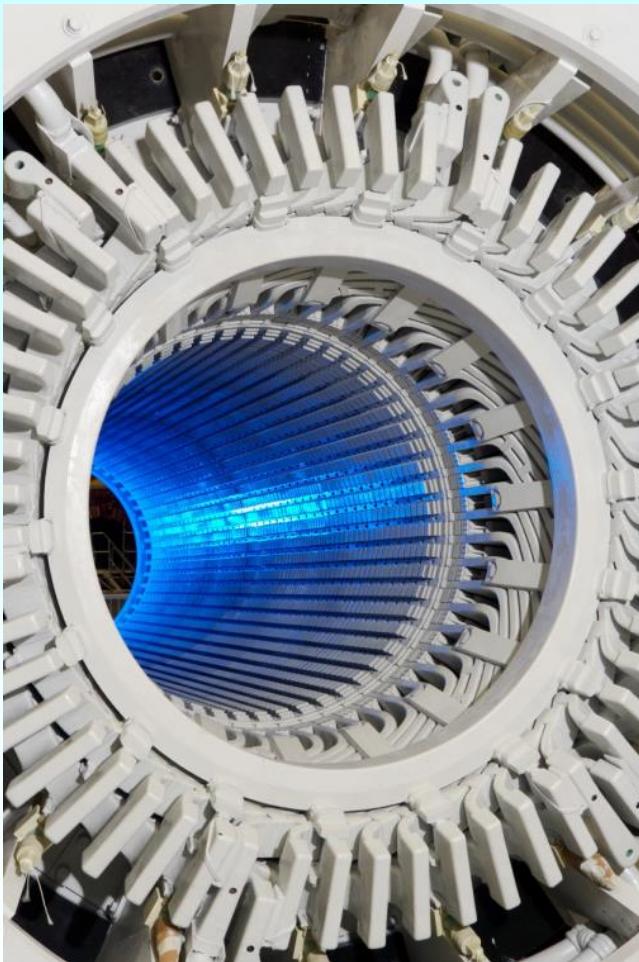


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# Round rotor synchronous machine – Stator 2

Turbo-  
Generator

Stator complete



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# Round rotor synchronous machine – Rotor 1

Turbo-  
Generator

Rotor wound



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# Round rotor synchronous machine – Rotor 2

Turbo-  
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Rotor insertion  
in stator



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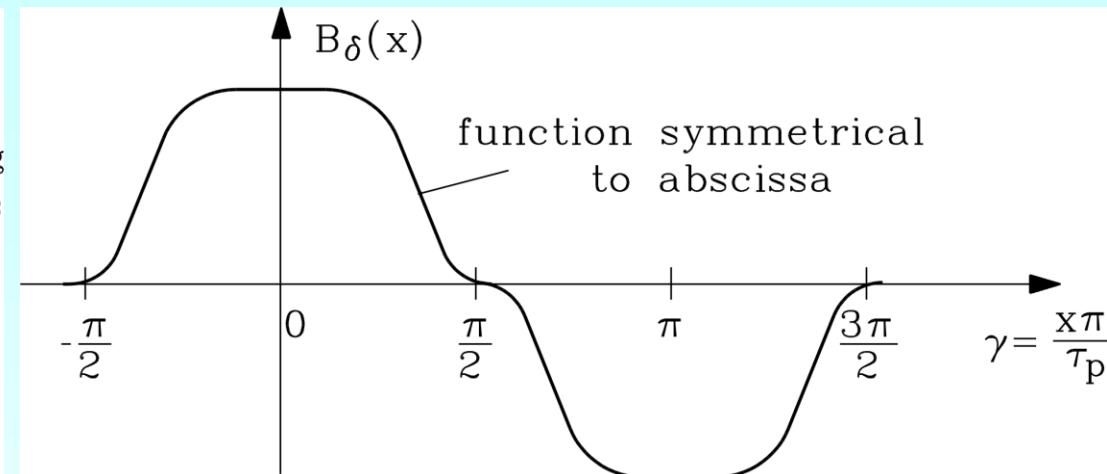
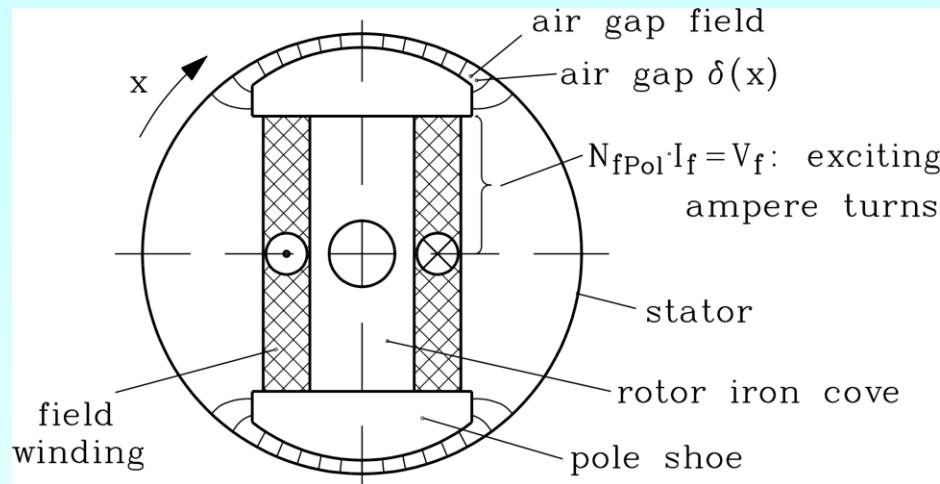
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# Rotor field and back EMF of salient pole synchronous machine



- **Bell shaped rotor air gap field curve  $B_\delta(x)$ :** A constant m.m.f.  $V_f$  excites with a variable air gap  $\delta(x)$  a bell shaped field curve. Fundamental of this “bell-shape” ( $\mu = 1$ ):

$$B_\delta(x) = \mu_0 \frac{V_f}{\delta(x)} \rightarrow \text{FOURIER-fundamental wave: Amplitude } \hat{B}_p \text{ proportional to } I_f$$

- **Back EMF  $U_p$ :** Sinusoidal rotor field fundamental wave  $B_p$  induces **in three-phase stator winding** at speed  $n$  a three-phase voltage system  $U_p$

$$U_p = \omega \cdot \Psi_p / \sqrt{2} = \omega \cdot N_s k_{w,s} \cdot \Phi_p / \sqrt{2} = \sqrt{2} \pi f \cdot N_s k_{w,s} \cdot \frac{2}{\pi} l \tau_p \hat{B}_p$$

with **frequency**  $f = n \cdot p \Rightarrow$  Stator current  $I_s$  is flowing in stator winding.



# Rotor salient pole manufacturing

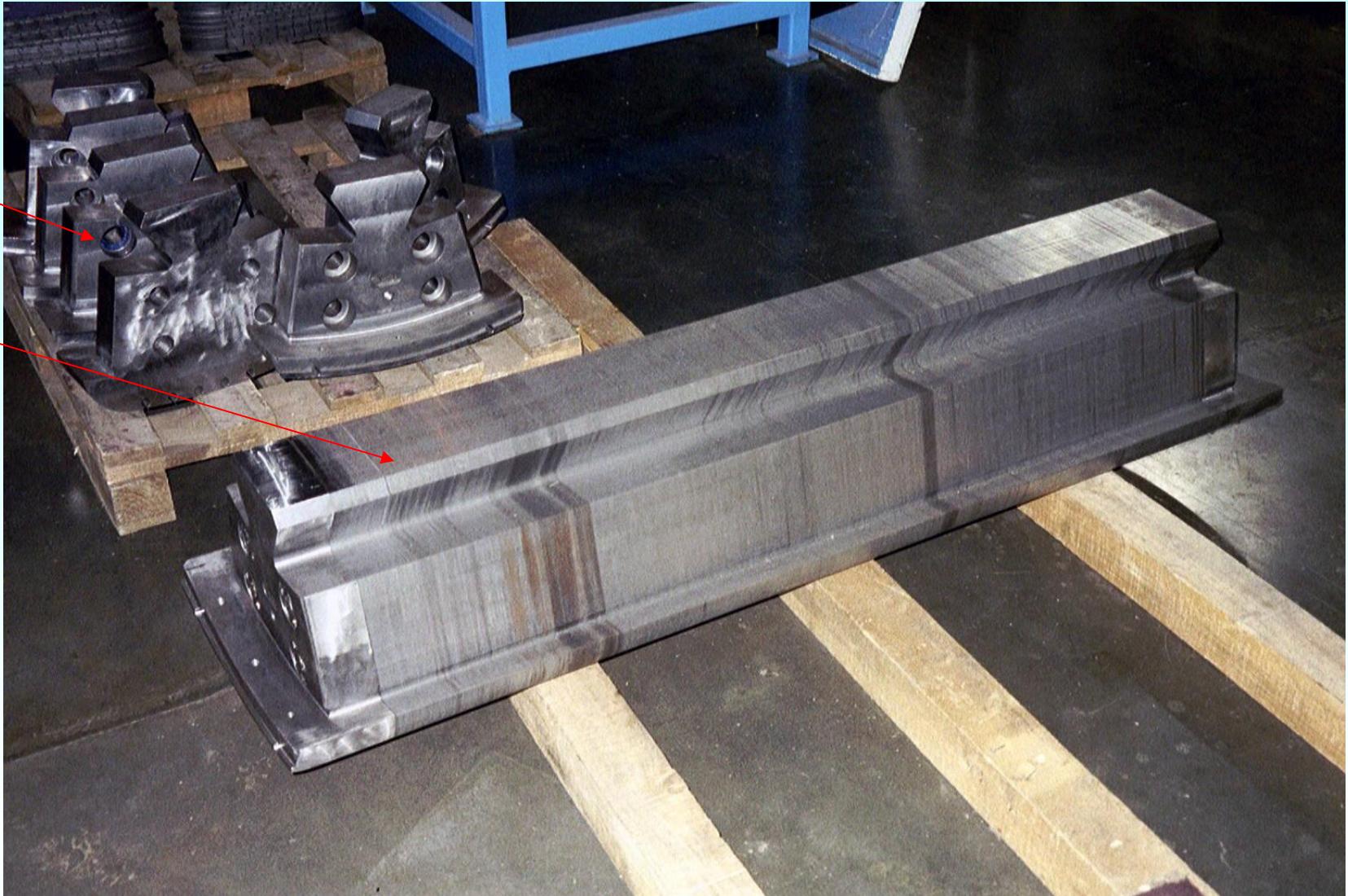
Massive  
pole  
pressing  
plates

Dove tail  
rotor pole

Lamination  
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# Completed salient pole synchronous rotor, 8 poles

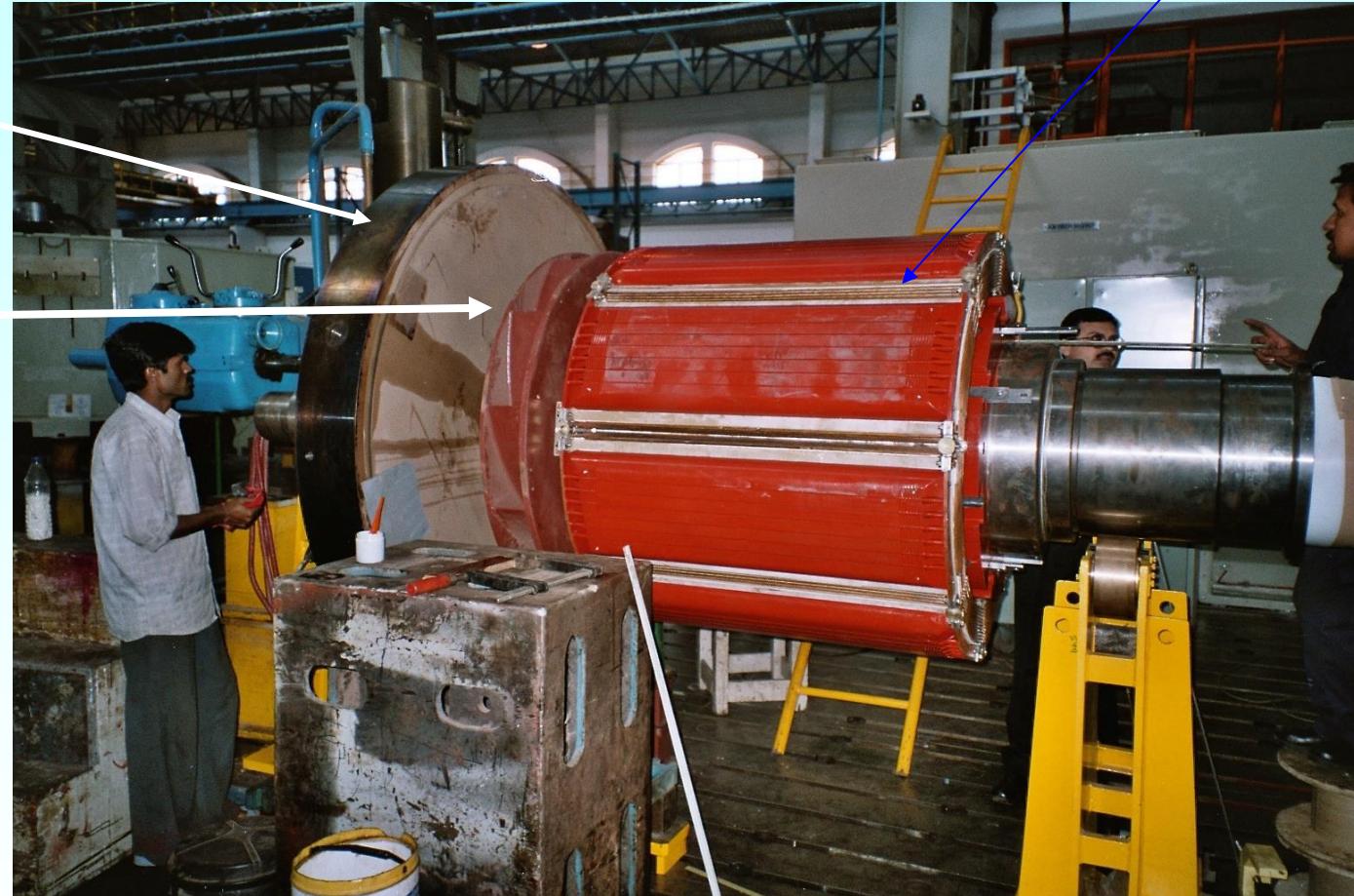
Fly wheel to increase  
rotor inertia to limit  
acceleration in case of  
load drop

Shaft mounted fan with  
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blades for rotation in  
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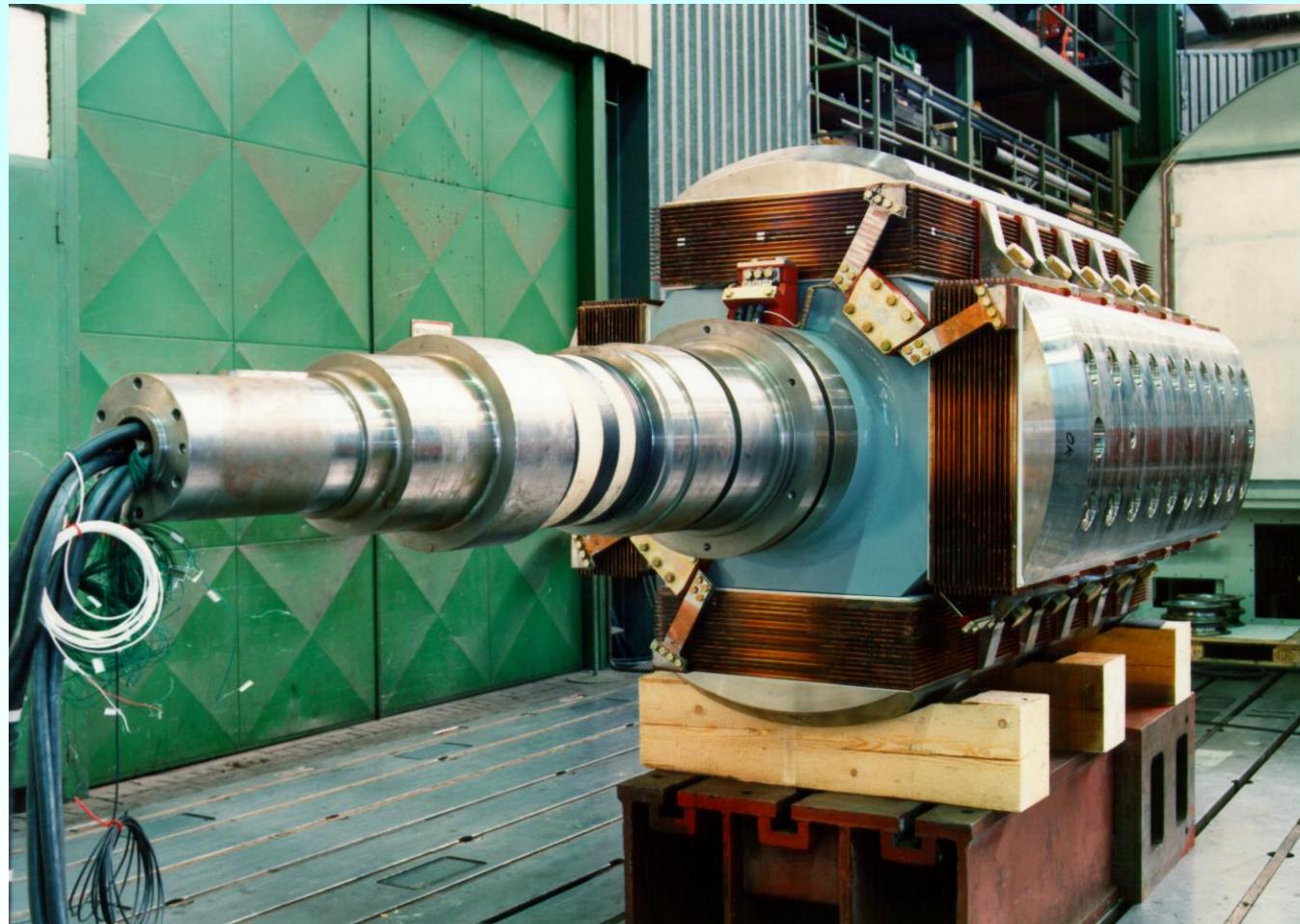
# Four-pole salient pole rotor with massive pole shoes for asynchronous line start up as motor

- At asynchronous line start up the stator field induces eddy currents in the rotor massive pole shoes.
- These eddy currents develop with the stator field the needed starting torque.

$50 \text{ Hz}, 2p = 4, n = 1500/\text{min}$

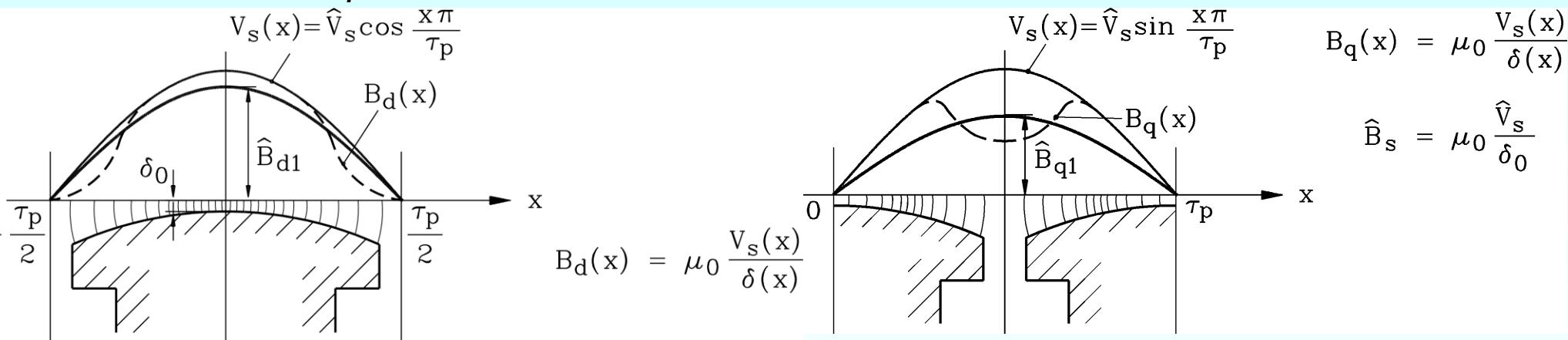
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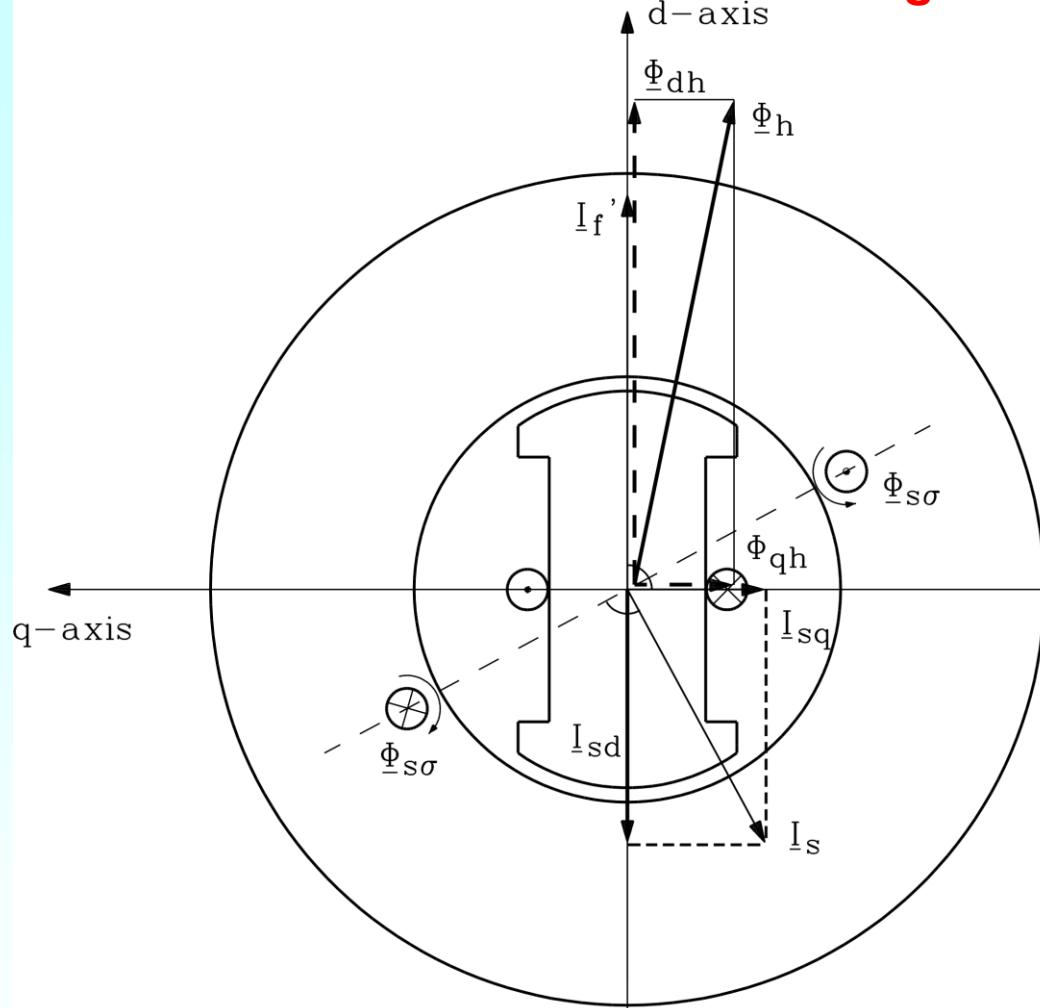
# Salient pole synchronous machine: Magnetizing inductance $L_h$

- **Stator winding** is three-phase winding like in induction machines, BUT the air gap is **LARGER in neutral zone (inter-pole gap of  $q$ -axis)** than in **pole axis ( $d$ -axis)**. Hence for equal m.m.f.  $V_s$  (sinus fundamental  $\nu = 1$ ) the corresponding air gap field is **SMALLER** in  $q$ -axis than in  $d$ -axis and NOT SINUSOIDAL.



- **Stator field in  $d$ -axis (direct axis):** Fundamental of field a little bit smaller than for constant air gap  $\delta_0$ :  $c_d = \hat{B}_{d1} / \hat{B}_s < 1$     **ca. 0.95, thus:**  $L_{dh} = c_d \cdot L_h$
- **Stator field in  $q$ -axis (quadrature axis):** Fundamental of field significantly smaller than at constant air gap  $\delta_0$ :  $c_q = \hat{B}_{q1} / \hat{B}_s \ll 1$     **ca. 0.4 ... 0.5, thus**  $L_{qh} = c_q \cdot L_h$

# Stator current $I_s$ : $d$ - and $q$ -component



$$\Psi_{dh} / \sqrt{2} = L_{dh} \cdot (I'_f + I_{sd}) \rightarrow \Phi_{dh} = \Psi_{dh} / (k_{ws} N_s)$$

$$\Psi_{qh} / \sqrt{2} = L_{qh} \cdot I_{sq} \rightarrow \Phi_{qh} = \Psi_{qh} / (k_{ws} N_s)$$

- **Stator current phasor  $I_s$**  decomposed into  $d$ - and  $q$ -component:

$$I_s = I_{sd} + I_{sq}$$

$I_{sd}$  is in phase or opposite phase with fictitious current  $I'_f$ . So it excites a stator air gap field in  $d$ -axis (in rotor pole axis), which together with rotor field gives  $d$ -axis air gap flux  $\Phi_{dh}$ .

$I_{sq}$  is phase-shifted by  $90^\circ$  to  $I_{sd}$  and excites therefore a stator air gap field in  $q$ -axis (inter-pole gap). The corresponding air gap flux is  $\Phi_{qh}$ .

- **Stator self-induced voltage** consists of two, by  $90^\circ$  phase shifted components:

$$j\omega_s L_{dh} I_{sd},$$

$$j\omega_s L_{qh} I_{sq}$$

and of self-induced voltage of stator leakage flux:

$$j\omega_s L_{s\sigma} I_s$$



# Stator voltage equation of salient pole synchronous machine

- **Stator voltage equation per phase:** Considering self-induction of main and leakage flux  $L_{dh}$ ,  $L_{qh}$ ,  $L_{s\sigma}$  and of rotor phase resistance  $R_s$  we get :

$$\underline{U}_s = R_s \underline{I}_s + j\omega_s L_{s\sigma} \underline{I}_s + j\omega_s L_{qh} \underline{I}_{sq} + j\omega_s L_{dh} \underline{I}_{sd} + \underline{U}_p \quad \underline{U}_p = j\omega_s L_{dh} \underline{I}'_f$$

$$\underline{U}_s = R_s \underline{I}_s + j\omega_s L_{s\sigma} (\underline{I}_{sd} + \underline{I}_{sq}) + j\omega_s (L_{qh} \underline{I}_{sq} + L_{dh} \underline{I}_{sd}) + \underline{U}_p$$

- $X_d$ : "**synchronous d-axis reactance**": 
$$X_d = X_{s\sigma} + X_{dh} = \omega_s L_{s\sigma} + \omega_s L_{dh}$$

$X_q$ : "**synchronous q-axis reactance**": 
$$X_q = X_{s\sigma} + X_{qh} = \omega_s L_{s\sigma} + \omega_s L_{qh}$$

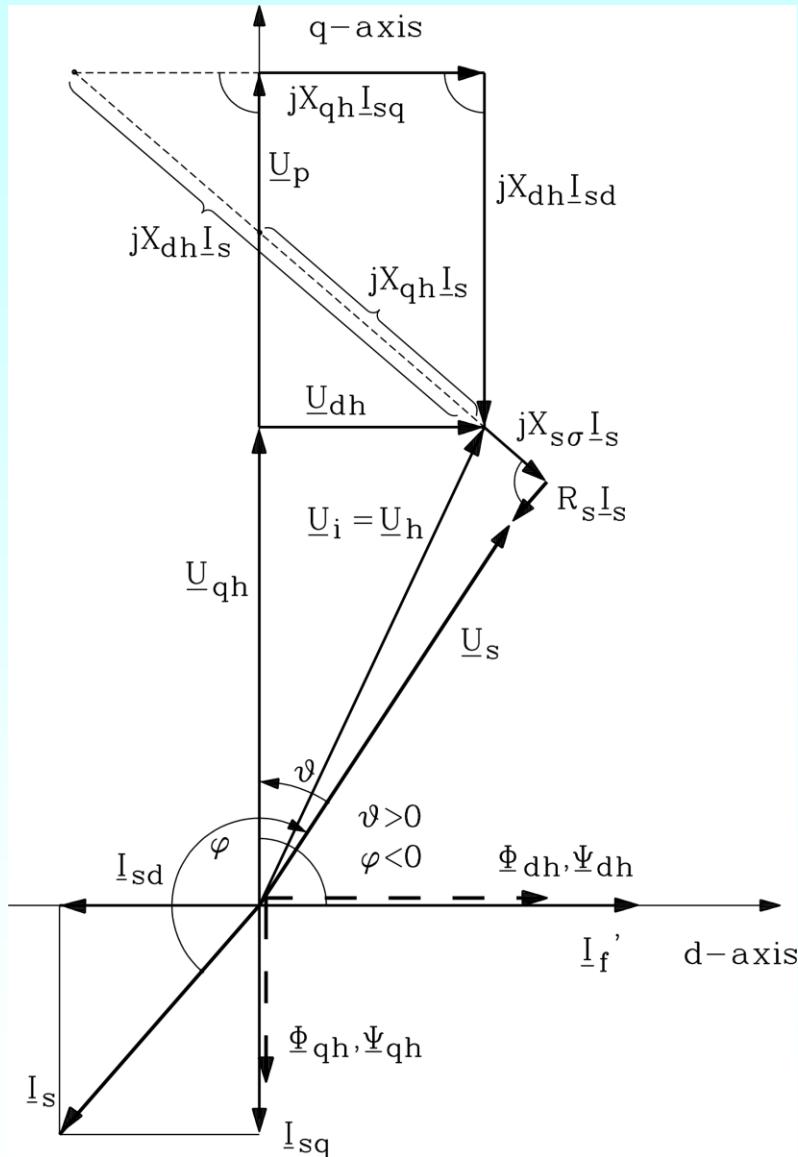
- **Typical values:** Due to inter-pole gap it is  $X_d > X_q$  (typically:  $X_q = (0.5 \dots 0.6) \cdot X_d$ )  
e.g. salient pole hydro-generators, diesel engine generators, reluctance machines, ...

- **Note:** **Round rotor synchronous machine** may be regarded as "special case" of salient pole machine for  $X_d = X_q$ .

The slot openings of rotor field winding in round rotor machines may also be regarded as non-constant air gap, yielding also  $X_d > X_q$  (typically:  $X_q = (0.8 \dots 0.9) \cdot X_d$ )



# Phasor diagram of salient pole machine



- **Example: Generator, over-excited:**
  - $\underline{I}'_f$  and  $\underline{I}_{sd}$  lie in d-axis,  $\underline{I}_{sq}$  lies in q-axis
  - $\underline{U}_p \sim j\underline{I}'_f$  and  $jX_{dh}\underline{I}_{sd}$  lie in q-axis,  $jX_{qh}\underline{I}_{sq}$  lies in d-axis (!)
- **Induced internal voltage  $\underline{U}_h$ :**

$$\underline{U}_h = j\omega_s \underline{\Psi}_h = \underline{U}_{qh} + \underline{U}_{dh}$$
is decomposed into components
 
$$\underline{U}_{qh} = j\omega_s L_{dh} \underline{I}_{sd} + \underline{U}_p$$

$$\underline{U}_{dh} = j\omega_s L_{qh} \underline{I}_{sq}$$
- **Stator voltage and current:**
  - Load angle  $\vartheta$ ,
  - Phase angle  $\varphi$
 are defined in the same way as with round rotor synchronous machines !



# Torque of salient pole machine at $U_s = \text{const.}$ & $R_s = 0$

- **OPERATION at "rigid" grid:**  $\underline{U}_s = \text{constant}$

We choose:  $d$ -axis = Re-axis,  $q$ -axis = Im-axis of complex plane:

$$\underline{U}_s = U_{sd} + jU_{sq} \quad \underline{I}_s = I_{sd} + jI_{sq} \quad \underline{U}_p = jU_p$$

$$R_s = 0: \quad \underline{U}_s = jX_d \underline{I}_{sd} + jX_q \underline{I}_{sq} + \underline{U}_p \quad \Rightarrow \quad \underline{U}_s = jX_d I_{sd} - X_q I_{sq} + jU_p$$

- **Active power  $P_e$ :**  $P_e = m_s \underline{U}_s \underline{I}_s \cos \varphi = m_s \cdot \text{Re} \left\{ \underline{U}_s \underline{I}_s^* \right\} = m_s (U_{sd} I_{sd} + U_{sq} I_{sq})$

$$P_e = m_s (-X_q I_{sq} I_{sd} + X_d I_{sd} I_{sq} + U_p I_{sq})$$

- **Electromagnetic torque:** 
$$M_e = \frac{P_m}{\Omega_{\text{syn}}} = \frac{P_e}{\Omega_{\text{syn}}} = \frac{m_s}{\Omega_{\text{syn}}} \cdot (U_p \cdot I_{sq} + (X_d - X_q) \cdot I_{sd} \cdot I_{sq})$$

- **Two torque components:**

a) prop.  $U_p$  as with round rotor machines

b) "**Reluctance**"torque due to  $X_d \neq X_q$ . NO rotor excitation is necessary !

**Synchronous reluctance machine:** Reluctance torque = robust rotor WITHOUT ANY winding, but DEEP inter-pole gaps.



# Torque as function of load angle $\vartheta$

$$\underline{U}_s = jX_d I_{sd} - X_q I_{sq} + jU_p \Rightarrow \begin{cases} U_{sd} = -X_q I_{sq} \\ jU_{sq} = jX_d I_{sd} + jU_p \end{cases} \Rightarrow I_{sq} = -\frac{U_{sd}}{X_q} \quad I_{sd} = \frac{U_{sq} - U_p}{X_d}$$

$$\underline{U}_s = U_{sd} + jU_{sq} \begin{cases} U_{sd} = U_s \sin \vartheta \\ U_{sq} = U_s \cos \vartheta \end{cases}$$


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$$M_e = \frac{m_s}{\Omega_{syn}} \cdot \left( U_p \cdot I_{sq} + (X_d - X_q) \cdot I_{sd} \cdot I_{sq} \right) =$$

$$= \frac{m_s}{\Omega_{syn}} \cdot \left( -\frac{U_p U_s \sin \vartheta}{X_q} - \frac{X_d - X_q}{X_d X_q} \cdot U_s \sin \vartheta \cdot (U_s \cos \vartheta - U_p) \right)$$

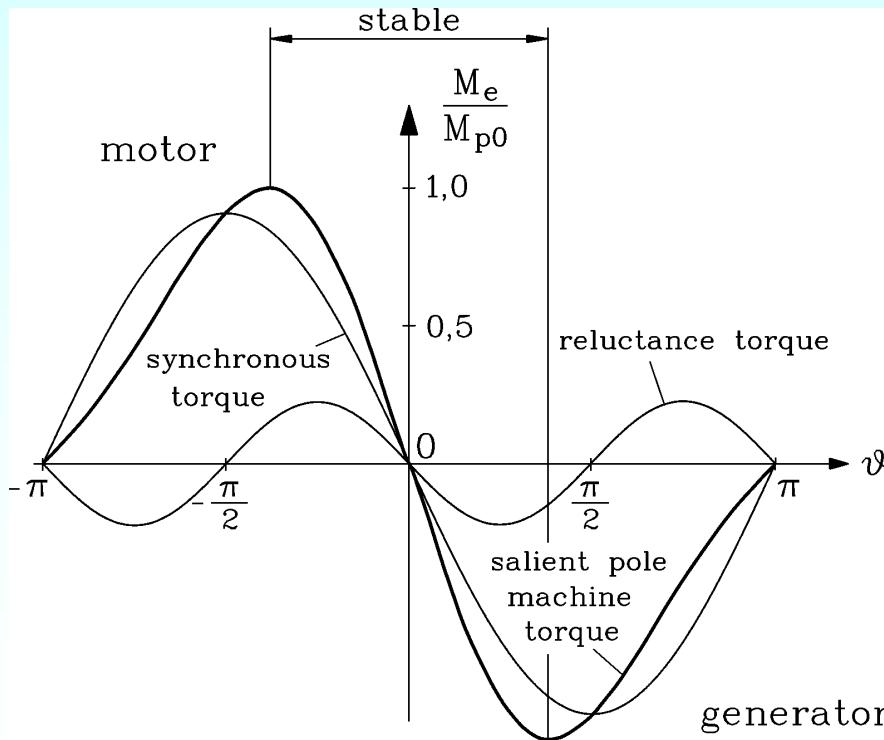
$$M_e = -\frac{p \cdot m_s}{\omega_s} \left( \frac{U_s U_p}{X_d} \sin \vartheta + \frac{U_s^2}{2} \left( \frac{1}{X_q} - \frac{1}{X_d} \right) \sin 2\vartheta \right)$$



# Torque-load angle curve $M_e(\vartheta)$

- Torque is expressed by stator voltage, back EMF and load angle:  $I_{sd}$ ,  $I_{sq}$  are expressed by  $U_s$ ,  $\vartheta$ :

$$M_e = -\frac{p \cdot m_s}{\omega_s} \left( \frac{U_s U_p}{X_d} \sin \vartheta + \frac{U_s^2}{2} \left( \frac{1}{X_q} - \frac{1}{X_d} \right) \sin 2\vartheta \right)$$



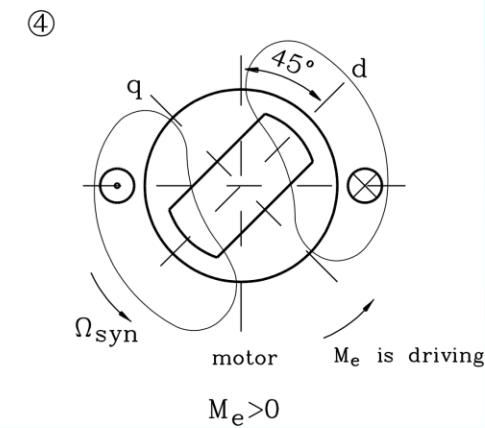
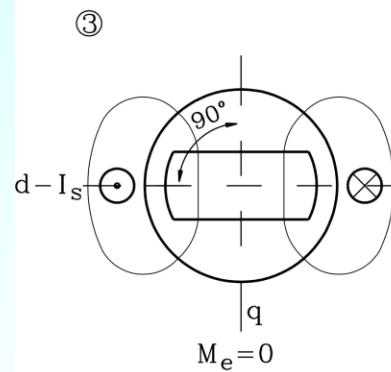
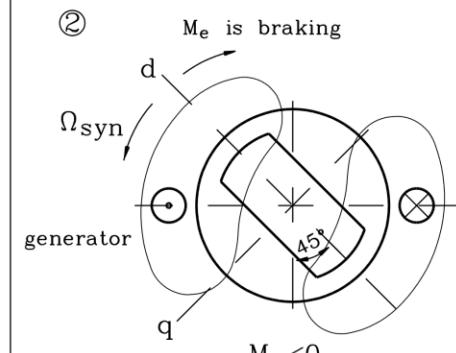
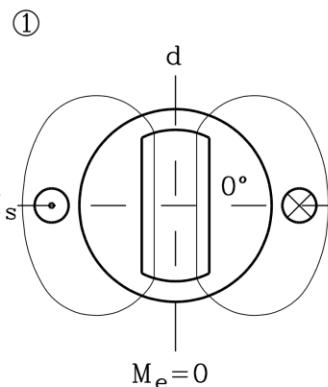
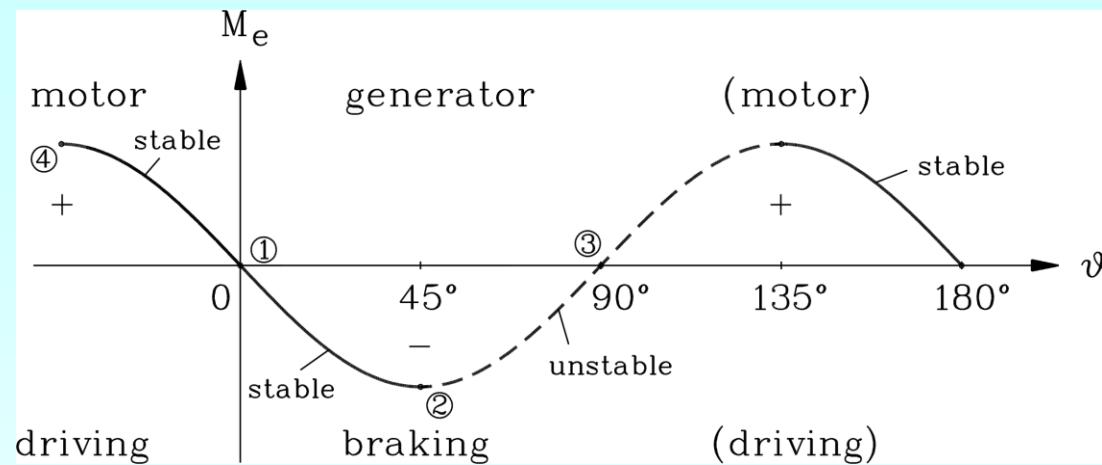
Absolute value of pull-out load angle is  $< 90^\circ$ , as pull-out torque of reluctance torque occurs at load abgle  $\pm 45^\circ$ .

Pull-out torque is increased by reluctance torque.

Equivalent spring constant  $c_g$  bigger than in round rotor machines, as reluctance torque adds ("stiffer"  $M_e(\vartheta)$ -curve).



# Synchronous reluctance machine



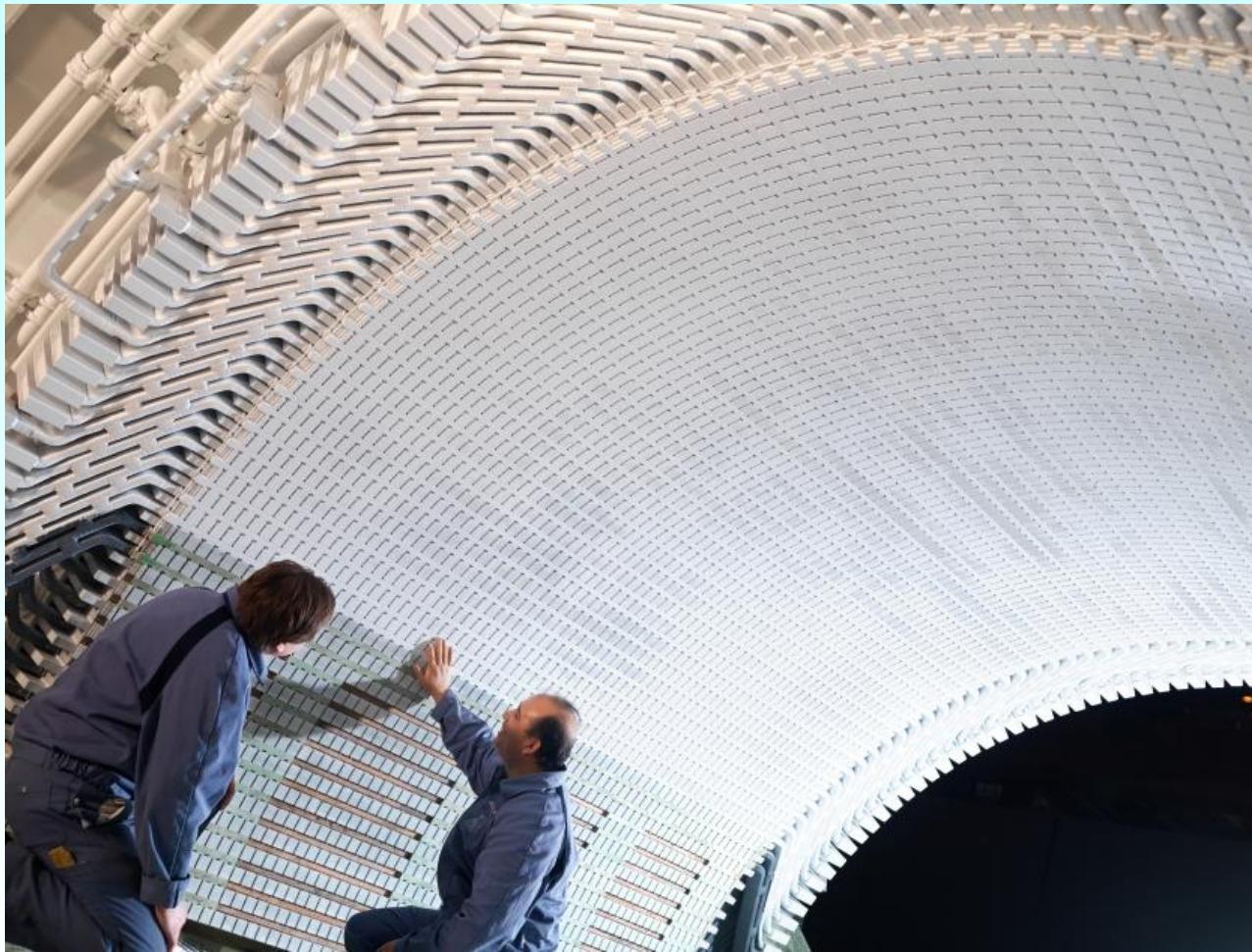
- Rotor **without any winding**, but with **deep inter-pole gaps**:  $X_d > X_q$ .
- Rotor  $d$ -axis wants to move into stator field axis, to allow field lines to cross air gap via the **MOST SHORTEST** distance possible, thus yielding the **reluctance torque**.



# Salient pole synchronous machine - Stator

Hydro-  
Generator

Stator



Source:

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# Salient pole synchronous machine - Rotor

Hydro-  
Generator

Rotor insertion

Three Gorges  
(China)  
840 MVA  
80 poles

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# Hydro Power Plant – 1

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Generator

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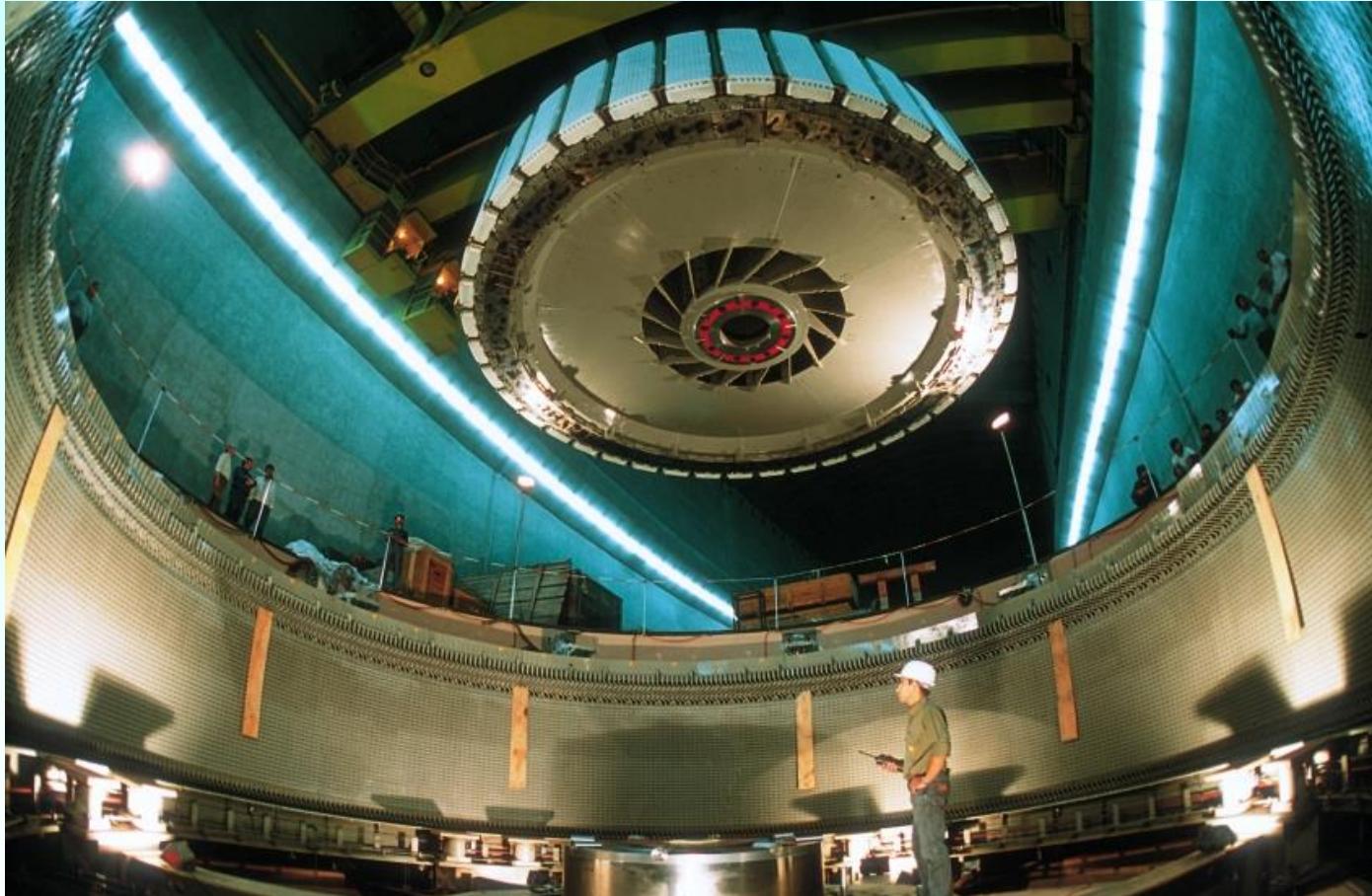


# Hydro Power Plant – 2

Hydro-  
Generator

Rotor assembly

Karakaya  
(Turkey)  
315 MVA  
40 poles



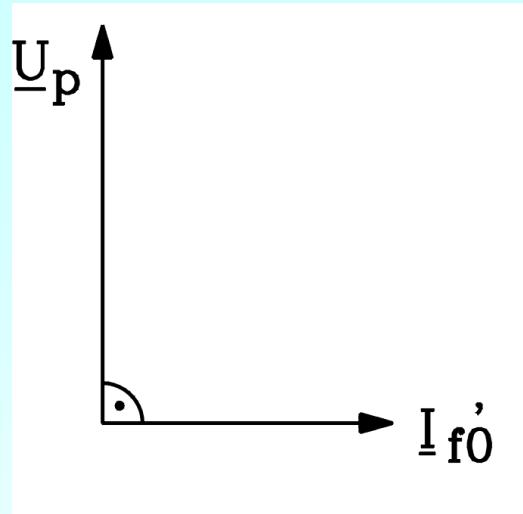
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# Generator no-load

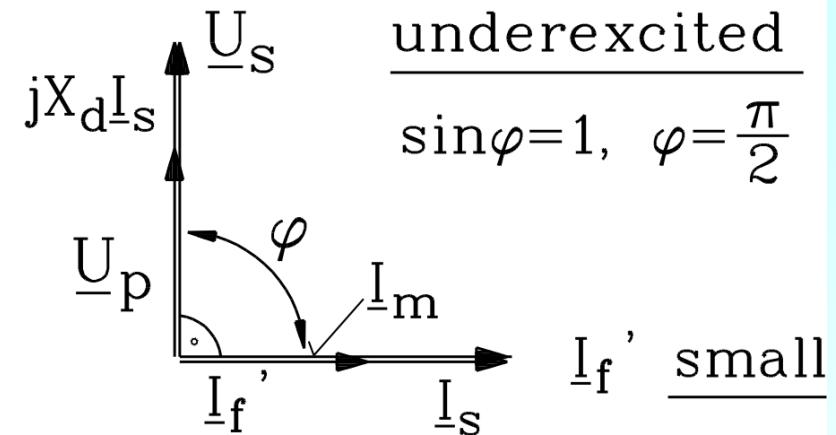
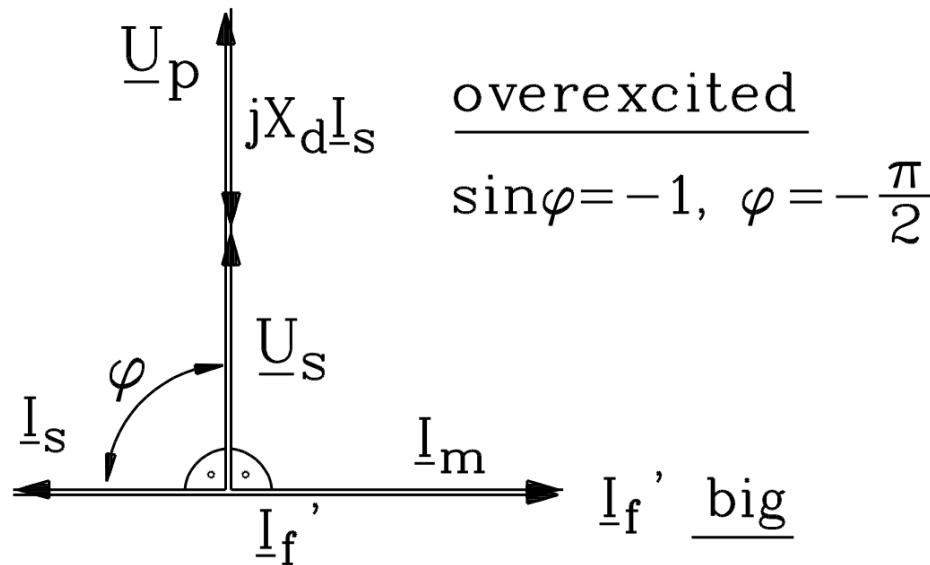


Rotor with excited field winding is driven, field current is  $I_{f0}$ ,  
stator terminals are not connected (**no stator current flow**): At  
open stator terminals  $U_p$  is measured.

$$\underline{U}_p = jX_{dh} \underline{I}'_{f0}$$



# Synchronous machine as „phase shifter“, ( $R_s \approx 0$ )



big  $I_f$  (over-excited): machine is capacitive consumer

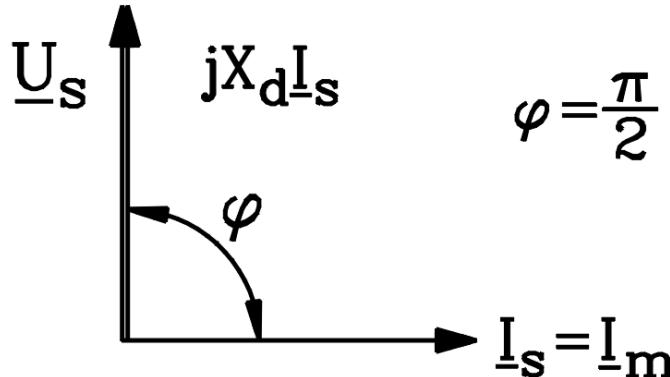
small  $I_f$  (under-excited): machine is inductive consumer

$$R_s = 0 : \quad \underline{U}_s = \underline{U}_p + jX_d \underline{I}_s$$

Stator connected to grid, no active power transfer, but phase angle either inductive or capacitive !

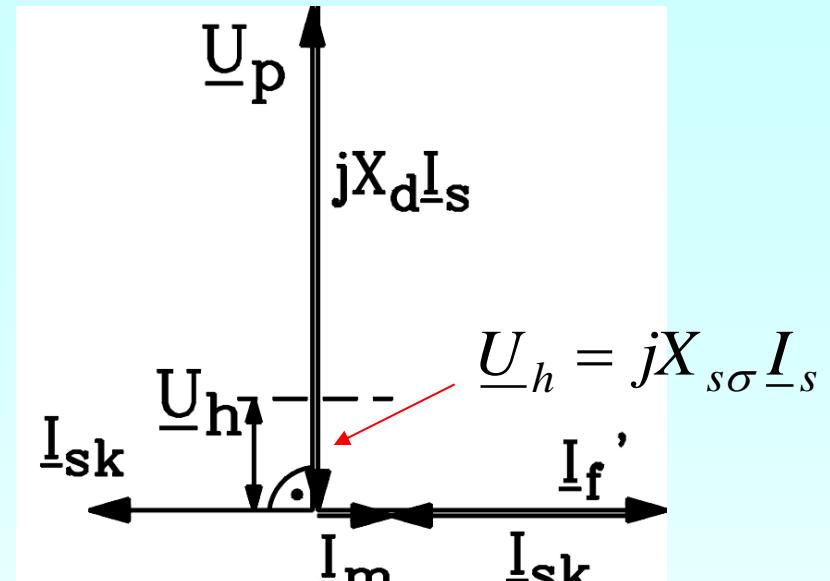


# Special operating points of synchronous machines ( $R_s \approx 0$ )



**non-excited at the grid:**  $I_f = 0$ .  
Stator winding current  $I_s$  acts as magnetizing current

$$R_s = 0: \quad \underline{U}_s = jX_d \underline{I}_s$$



## Steady state short circuit:

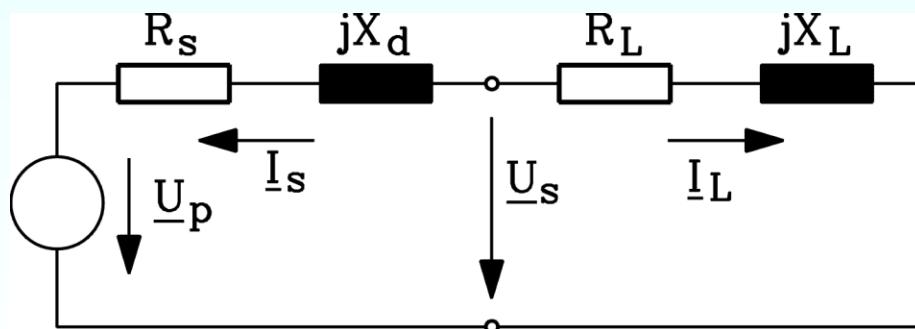
Stator winding short-circuited:  $\underline{U}_s = 0$ , Rotor is driven,  $\underline{U}_p$  is induced, causes **short circuit current**  $I_{sk}$ , which is limited by  $X_d$  and  $R_s$ :  $I_{sk} \approx \underline{U}_p / X_d$

$$R_s = 0: \quad 0 = \underline{U}_p + jX_d \underline{I}_s$$

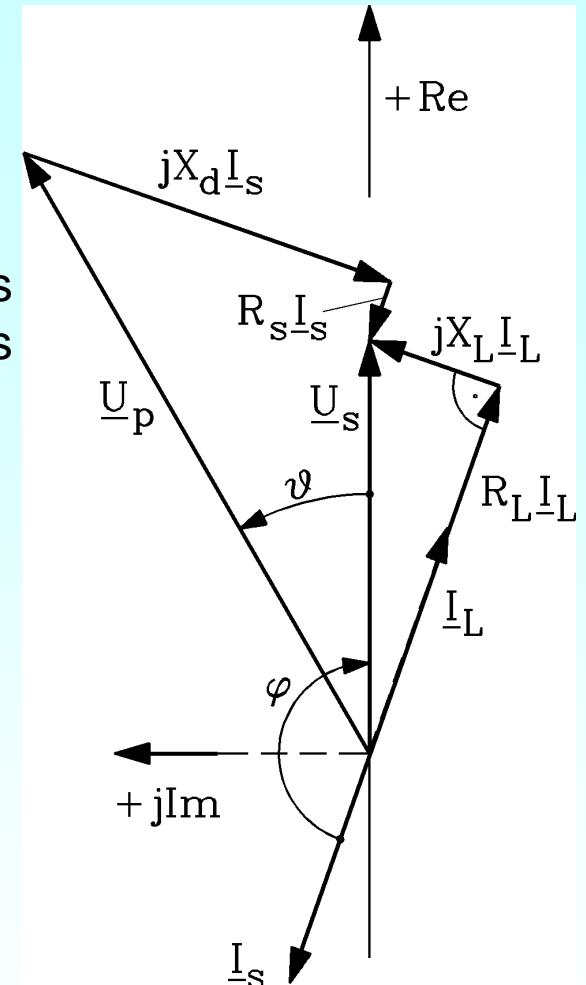


# Synchronous machine in stand-alone operation

- Examples: Automotive generator, Air plane / ship generator, generator stations on islands, off-shore platforms, oasis, mountainous regions, emergency generators in hospitals, military use (e.g. radar supply)
- **No "rigid" grid available:  $U_s$  is NOT constant:** Rotor is excited and driven, field current  $I_f$ , back EMF  $U_p$  is induced as "voltage source",  $U_s$  is depending on load.  
E.g.: round rotor synchronous machine:  
**No**  $M_e \sim \sin \vartheta$  - curve,  
**No** rotor pull out at  $\vartheta = \pm 90^\circ$
- Example: Mixed OHM'ic-inductive load  $Z_L$  (Load current  $I_L = -I_s$ )



Load impedance:  $Z_L$  (here:  $Z_L = R_L + jX_L$ )



# Stand-alone voltage-current characteristic $U_s(I_s)$ at $R_s = 0$

- No-load:  $I_s = 0 \Rightarrow U_s = U_p = U_{s0}$ ;
- Short-circuit:  $Z_L = 0: U_s = 0 \Rightarrow I_s = U_p/X_d = I_{sk}$

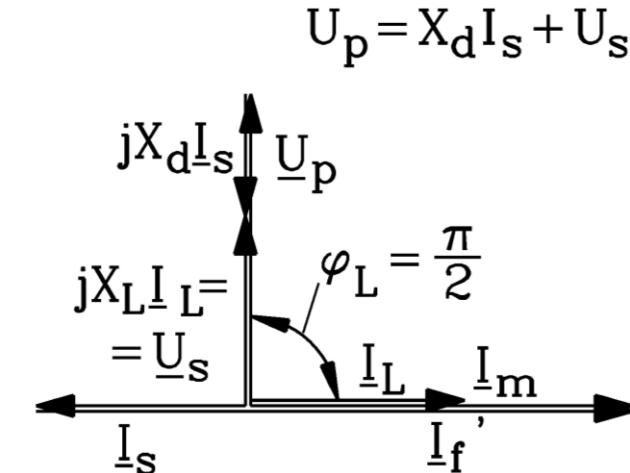
- Inductive load:  $Z_L = j\omega L = jX_L$ :  
Phasor diagram: voltage drops are in line:  $U_p = U_s + X_d I_s$   
**Voltage decreases linear with increasing load current !**

$$U_s / U_p = 1 - I_s / (U_p / X_d) \quad u = 1 - i$$

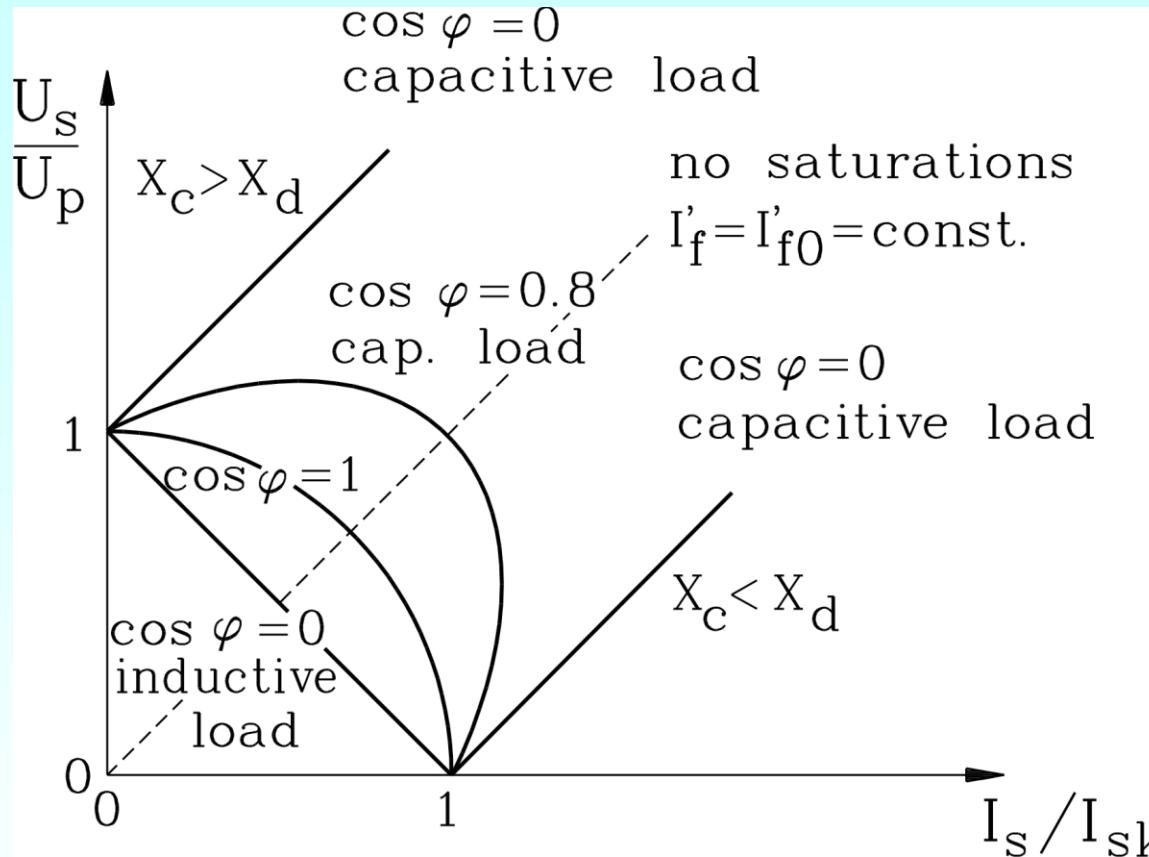
- Resistive load:  $Z_L = R_L$  :  
Phasor diagram: right angle triangle. Pythagoras:  $U_p^2 = U_s^2 + (X_d I_s)^2$

$$(U_s / U_p)^2 = 1 - I_s^2 / (U_p / X_d)^2 \quad u^2 = 1 - i^2$$

Voltage-current curve in per-unit of no-load voltage and short-circuit current is segment of circle !



# Stand-alone operation: Voltage-current curve $U_s(I_s)$



At **mixed resistive-inductive** and **resistive-capacitive load** the per unit voltage-current curves are sections of ellipses.

# Stand-alone capacitive load curve $U_s(I_s)$ for $R_s = 0$

- Capacitive load:  $Z_L = 1/(j\omega C_L) = -jX_C$ :
- From phasor diagram we see, that voltage drops are in line !
- Two cases are to be considered:

a)  $\underline{U}_p$  in phase opposition to  $\underline{U}_s$ :  $X_C < X_d$  COUNTER-EXCITATION

$$\begin{aligned}-U_p &= U_s - X_d I_s \\ U_s / U_p &= I_s / (U_p / X_d) - 1\end{aligned}$$

$$u = -1 + i$$

b)  $\underline{U}_p$  in phase with  $\underline{U}_s$ :  $X_C > X_d$

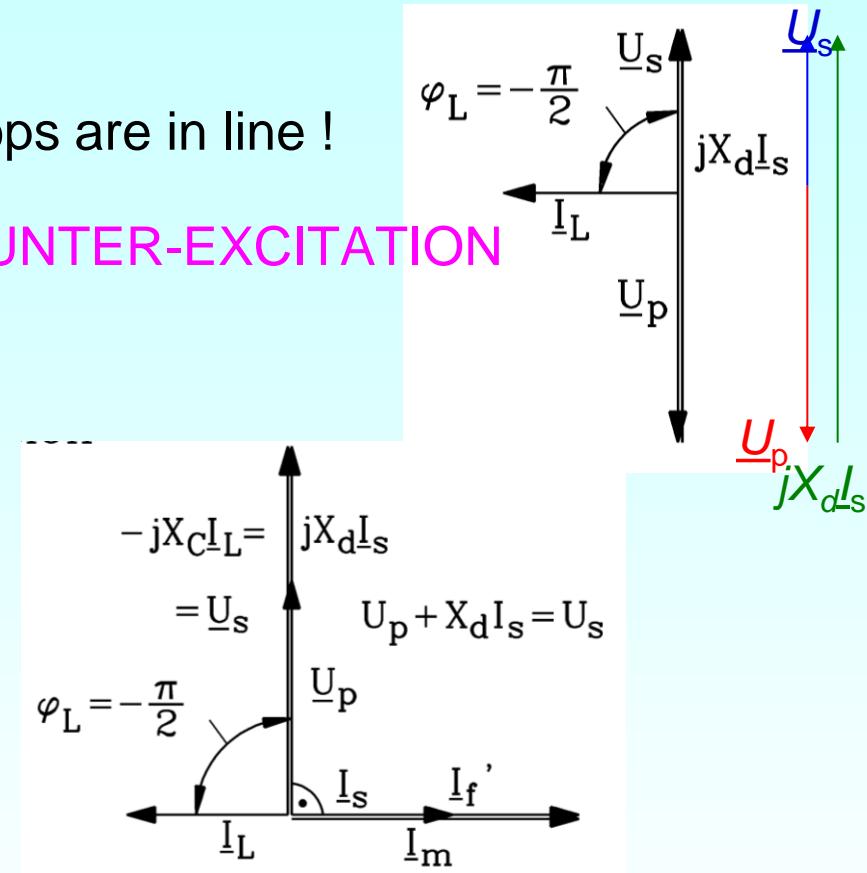
$$U_p = U_s - X_d I_s$$

$$U_s / U_p = 1 + I_s / (U_p / X_d)$$

Usually case b) occurs !

May also start from un-excited generator,  
where remanence of rotor induces a (small) back EMF  
in stator winding ("self-excitation of synchronous generator").

Voltage RISES with increasing load: FERRANTI-phenomenon



# Example – stand alone operation: Automotive synchronous generator

- **Automotive synchronous generator:**
  - three phases,  $q = 1$ , single layer wave wound winding, 12 poles
  - Claw pole rotor, electrically excited
  - Driven via belt with variable speed from internal combustion engine
  - Diode rectifier for stator power at 12 V or 24 V DC voltage
  - Diode rectifier for rotor field winding excitation
  - Transistor controller keeps stator voltage constant - independently from varying speed  $n$  and stator load current  $I_s$  – via variable exciter current  $I_f$
- **Data:** e. g.: 12...14 V, 90 A, 1 kW, 3000 ... 6500/min

