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**DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONICS ENGINEERING**

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MACHINES**

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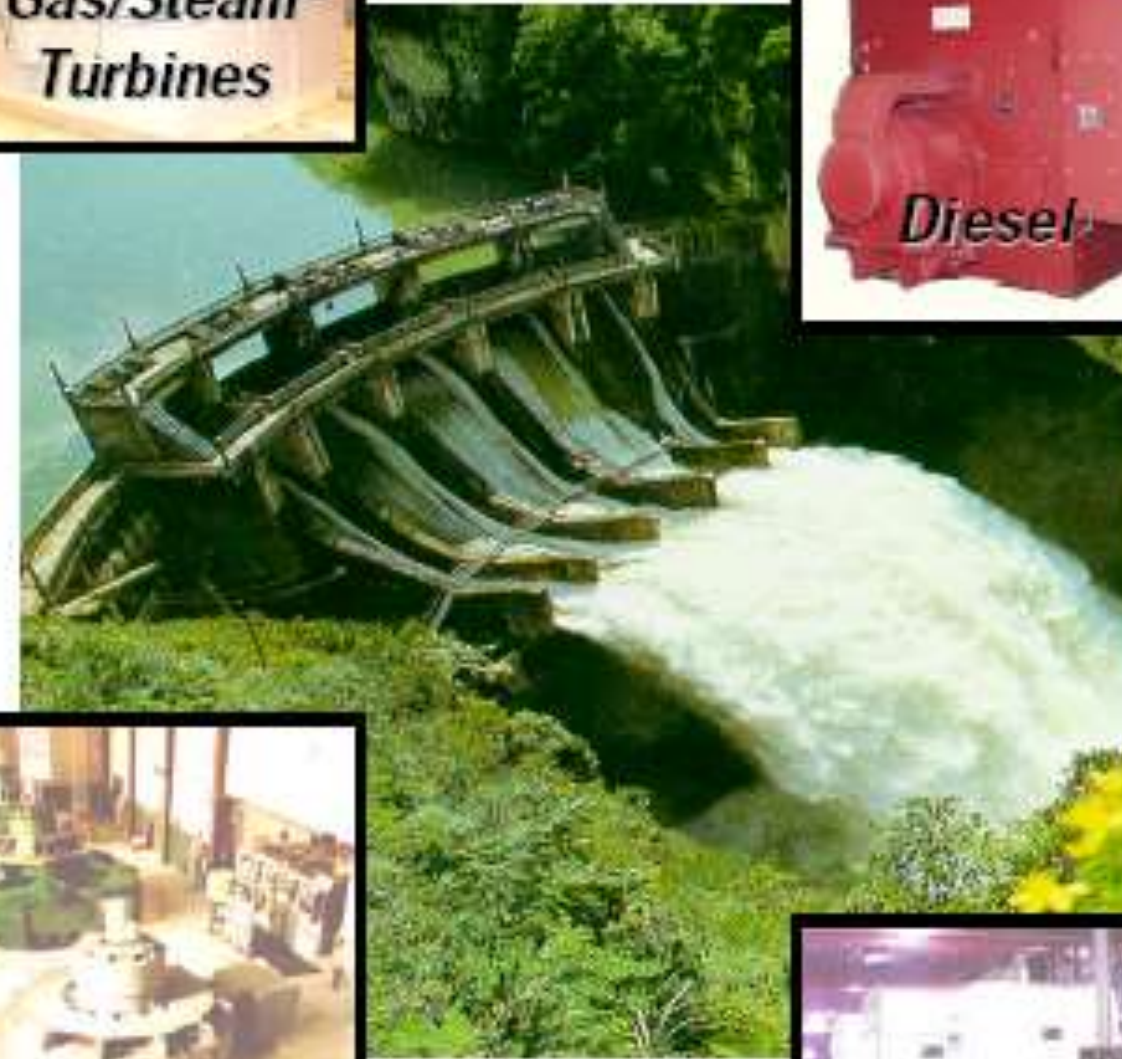
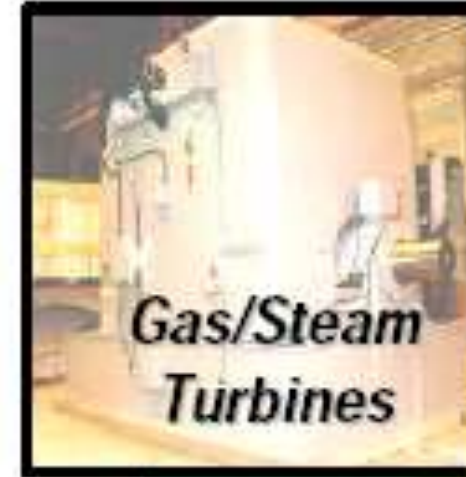
**Unit 1 – SYNCHRONOUS GENERATOR**

**Topic 1: Constructional details-Types of rotors**





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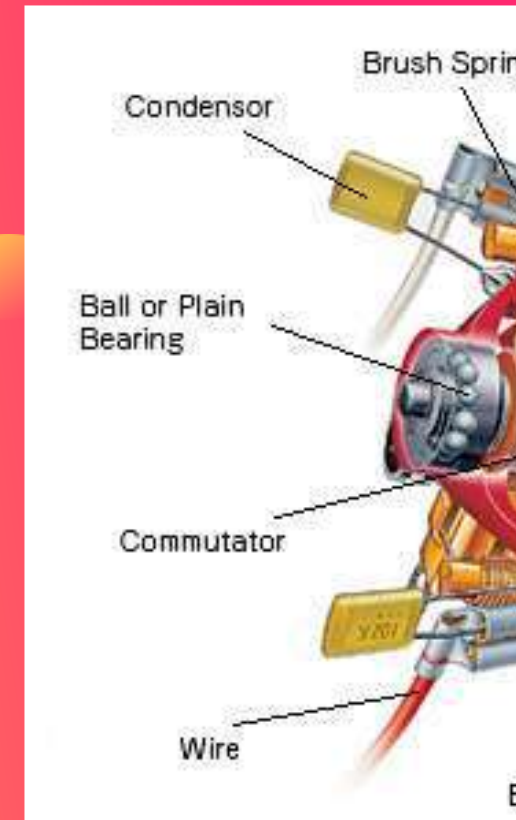






# Synchronous generators

- Synchronous generators or alternators are used to convert mechanical power derived from steam, gas, or hydraulic-turbine to ac electric power
- Synchronous generators are the primary source of electrical energy we consume today
- Large ac power networks rely almost exclusively on synchronous generators
- Synchronous motors are built in large units compare to induction motors (Induction motors are cheaper for smaller ratings) and used for constant speed industrial drives

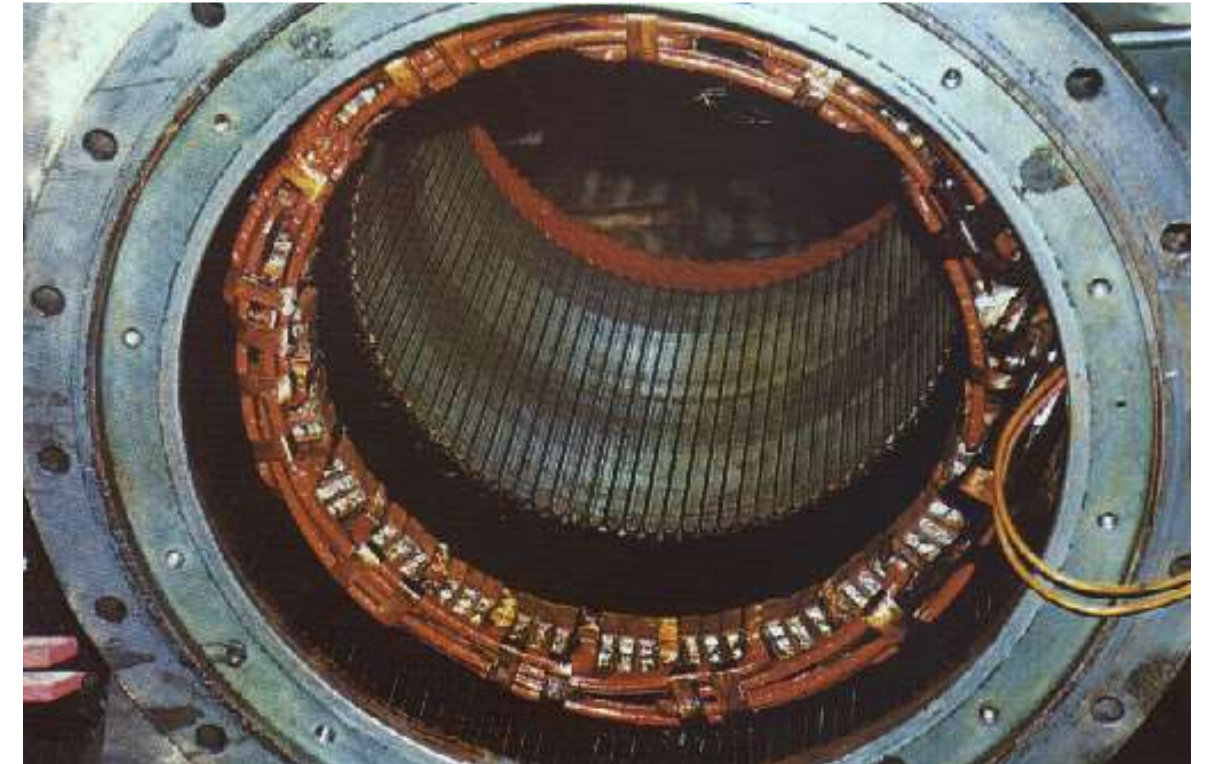




# Synchronous Generator: Stator



- From an electrical standpoint, the stator of a synchronous generator is identical to that of a 3-phase induction motor (cylindrical laminated core containing slots carrying a 3-phase winding).
- The nominal line voltage of a synchronous generator depends upon its kVA rating – the greater the power, the higher the voltage
- The nominal line voltage seldom exceeds 25kV, since the increased slot insulation takes up valuable space at the expense of copper conductors







# Synchronous Generator: Rotor



very common form factor. Exact overall unit dimensions, de design and magnetic flux optimized, providing superior characteristics well suited for automation applications. 4 to 10 ton is available to match the speed.

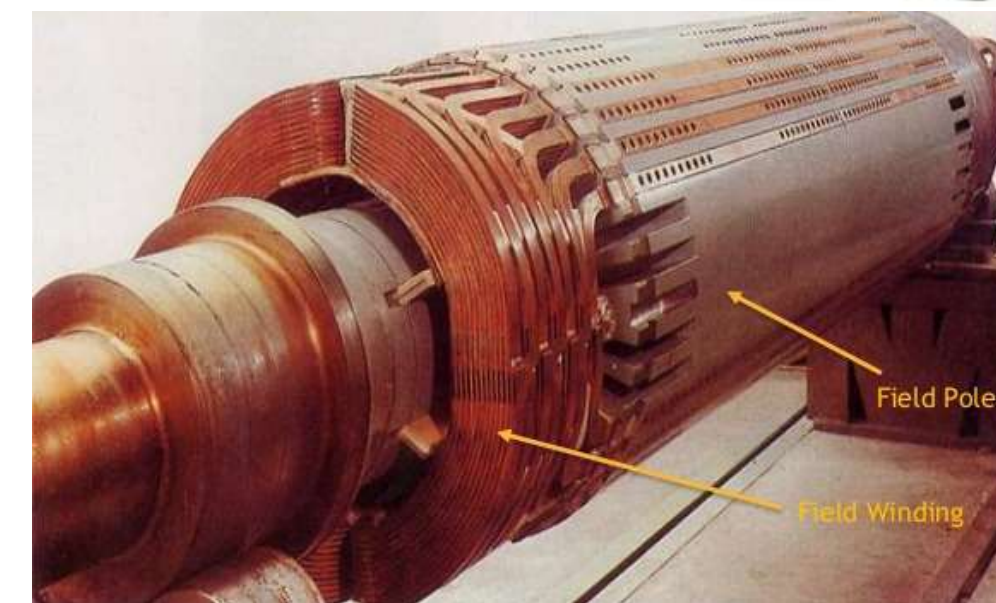


## Salient-pole rotors

- Used for low speed applications (<300rpm) which require large number of poles to achieve required frequencies (e.g. hydro turbines)

## Cylindrical rotors

- Used for high-speed applications (steam/gas turbines).
- Minimum number of poles is 2, so for 50Hz the maximum speed is 3000rpm.
- High speed of rotation produces strong centrifugal forces, which impose upper limit on the rotor diameter





# Field Excitation and Exciters



DC field excitation is an important part of the overall design of a synchronous generator

The field must ensure not only a stable AC terminal voltage, but must also respond to sudden load changes rapid field response is important.

Main and pilot exciters are used

Brushless excitation systems employ power electronics (rectifiers) to avoid brushes / slip ring assemblies.



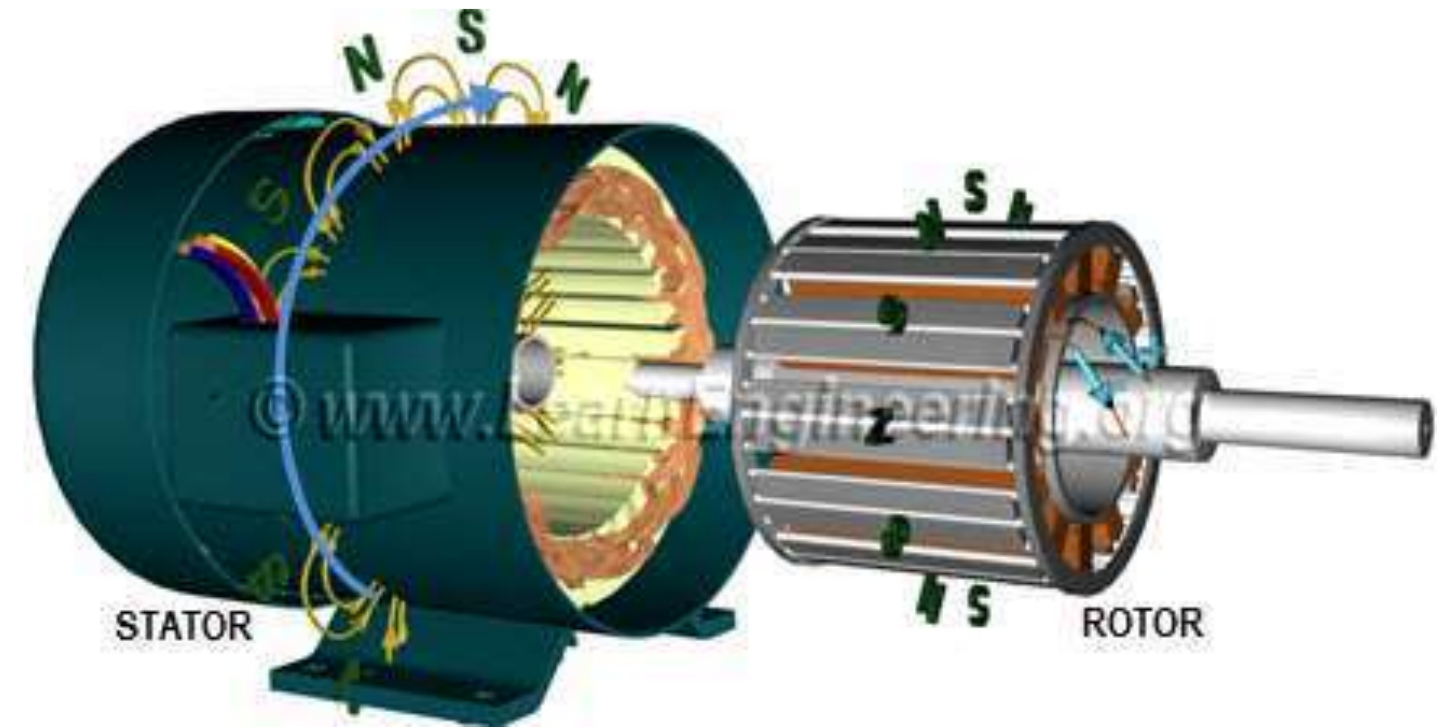


# Working Principle

The rotor of the generator is driven by a prime-mover

A dc current is flowing in the rotor winding which produces a rotating magnetic field within the machine

The rotating magnetic field induces a three-phase voltage in the stator winding of the generator





# Electrical Frequency

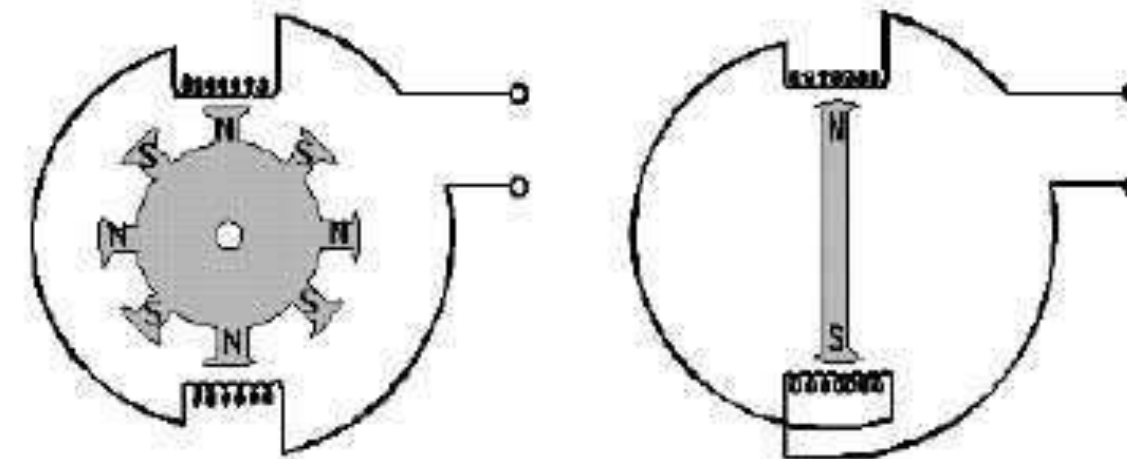
Electrical frequency produced is locked or synchronized to the mechanical speed of rotation of a synchronous generator:

$$f_e = \frac{Pn_m}{120}$$

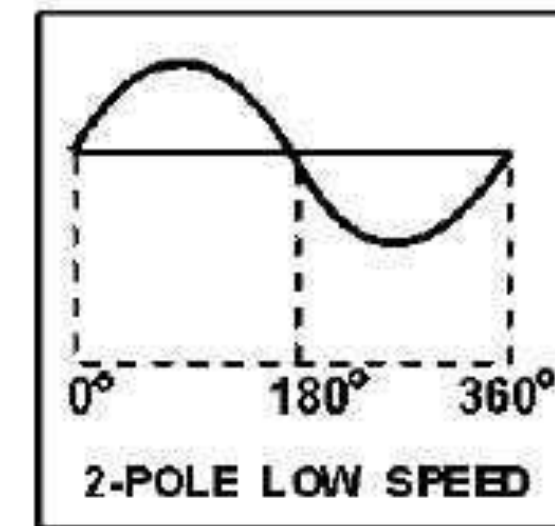
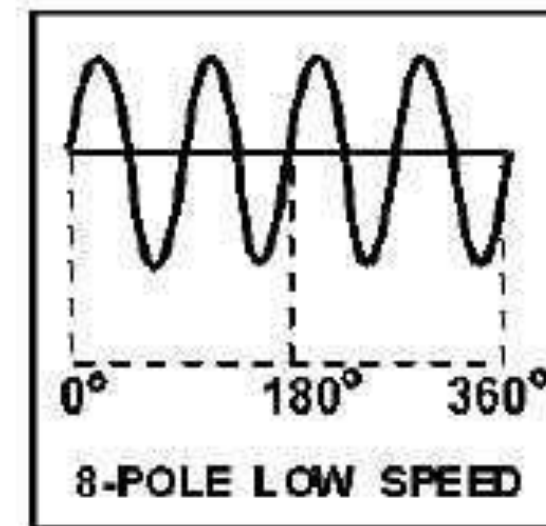
where  $f_e$  = electrical frequency in Hz

$P$  = number of poles

$n_m$  = speed of the rotor in rpm



BOTH ALTERNATORS ARE ROTATING AT 120 RPM:  $f = \frac{NP}{120}$







# Generated Voltage

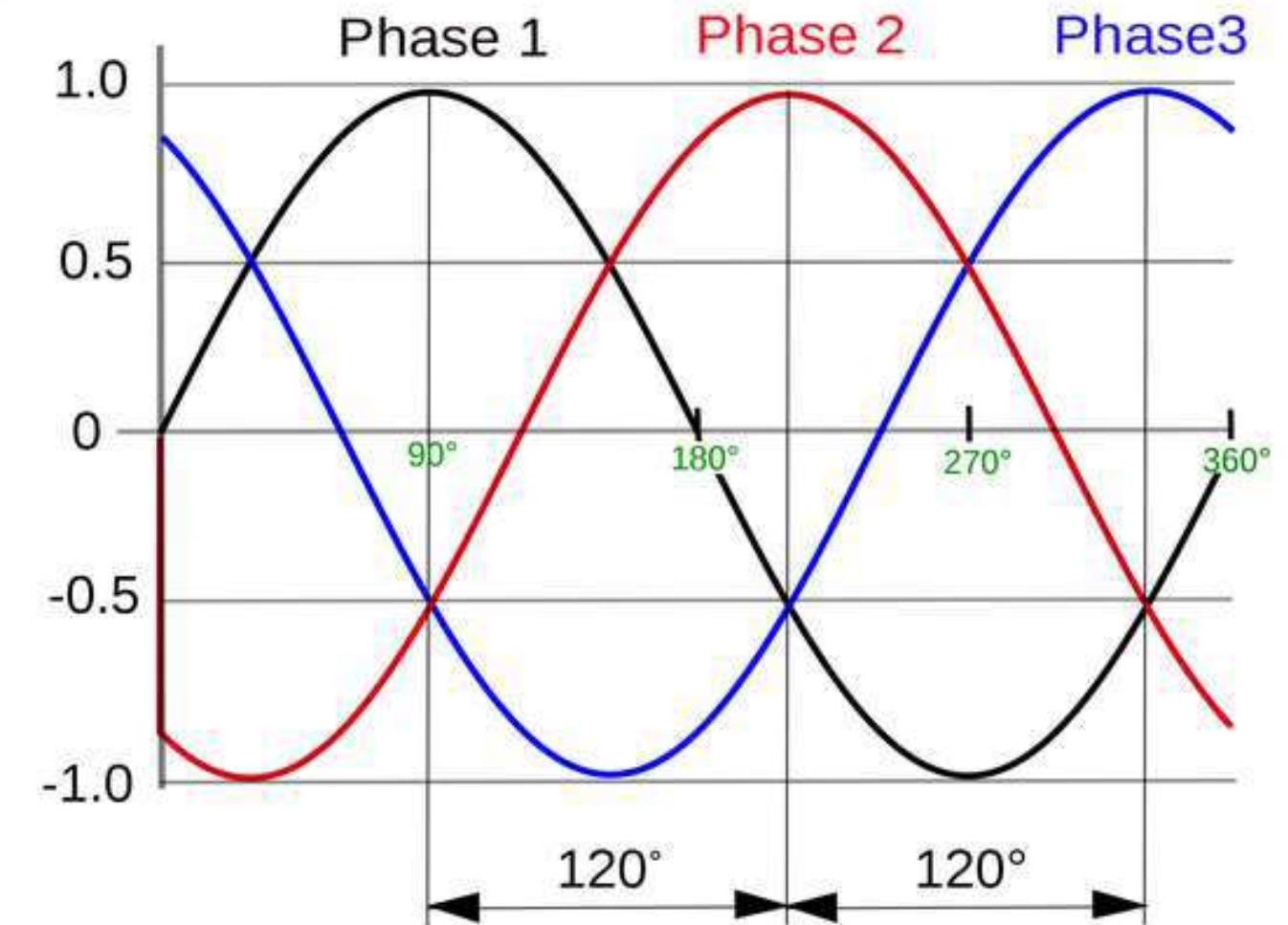
The generated voltage of a synchronous generator is given by

$$E = K_c \Phi f_e$$

$f$  = flux in the machine (function of  $I_f$ )

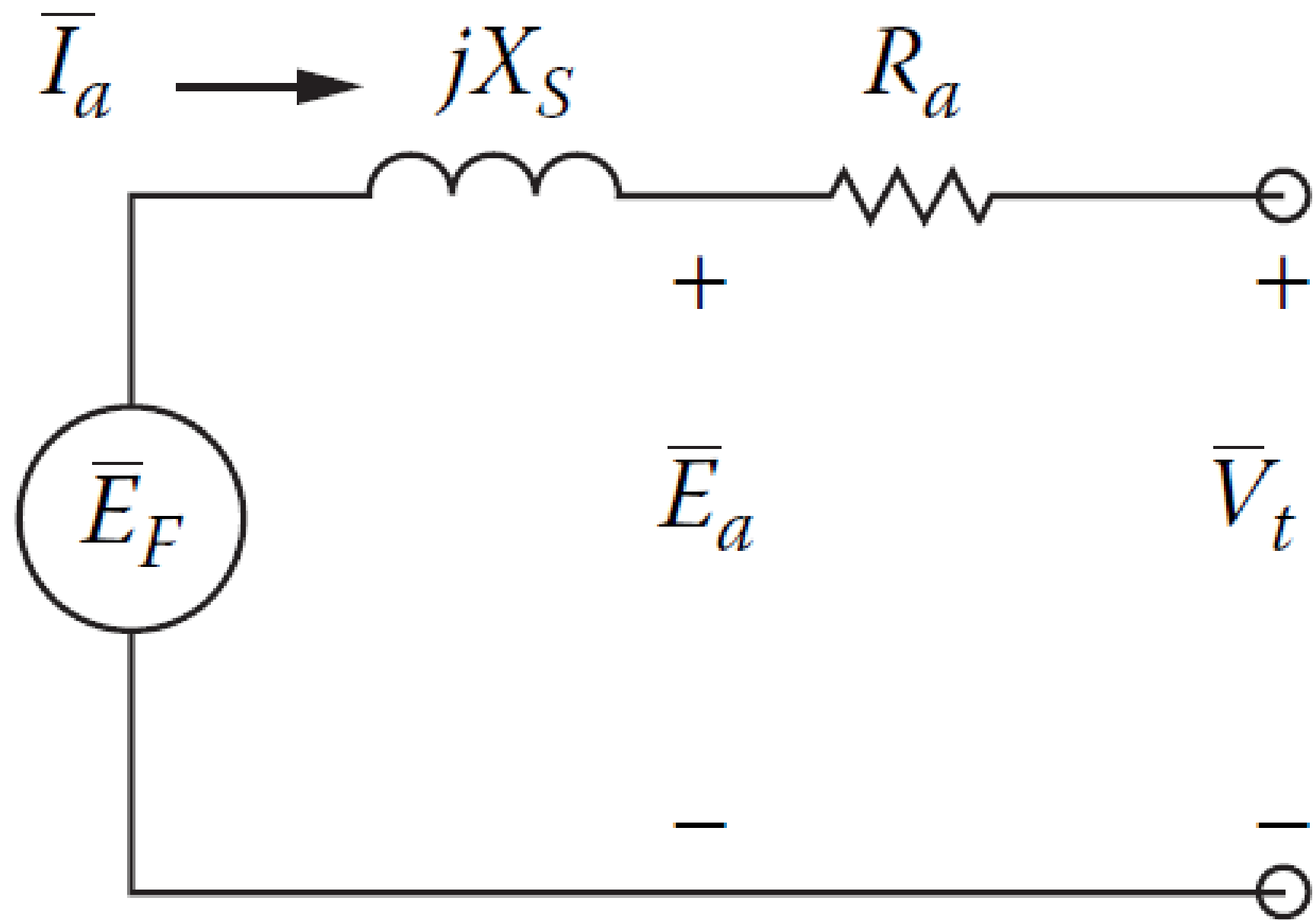
$f_e$  = electrical frequency

$K_c$  = synchronous machine constant





# Per-phase equivalent circuit







# SUMMARY

Construction, Working principle of Synchronous Generators



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