

ECE 476 – Power System Analysis Fall 2017

Homework 1

In-class quiz: Thursday, September 7, 2017

Reading: Chapters 1 and 2 of GS&O

Problem 1. With $|V| = 100$ V, the instantaneous power $p(t)$ into a network N has a maximum value 1707 W and a minimum value of -293 W.

1. Find a possible series RL circuit equivalent to N .

Define $v(t)$ and $i(t)$ of the network N as

$$\begin{aligned}v(t) &= \sqrt{2}V \cos(\omega t + \theta_V), \\i(t) &= \sqrt{2}I \cos(\omega t + \theta_I).\end{aligned}$$

Then, the instantaneous power into N is

$$\begin{aligned}p(t) = v(t)i(t) &= 2VI \cos(\omega t + \theta_V) \cos(\omega t + \theta_I) \\&= VI [\cos(\theta_V - \theta_I) + \cos(2\omega t + \theta_V + \theta_I)].\end{aligned}$$

The maximum value of $p(t)$ occurs when $\cos(2\omega t + \theta_V + \theta_I) = 1$ and, similarly, the minimum value of $p(t)$ occurs when $\cos(2\omega t + \theta_V + \theta_I) = -1$. So we have the following 2 equations:

$$\begin{aligned}P_{\max} &= VI \cos(\theta_V - \theta_I) + VI = 1707 \text{ W} \\P_{\min} &= VI \cos(\theta_V - \theta_I) - VI = -293 \text{ W}\end{aligned}$$

Subtracting one from the other, we get

$$2VI = 1707 + 293 \implies VI = 1000 \text{ W} \implies I = 10 \text{ A},$$

and adding the two and substituting $VI = 1000$ in, we get

$$2VI \cos(\theta_V - \theta_I) = 2000 \cos(\theta_V - \theta_I) = 1414 \implies \theta_V - \theta_I = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{1414}{2000}\right) = \pm 45^\circ.$$

An inductive load causes current to lag the voltage, so we get $\theta_V - \theta_I = 45^\circ$. Now we use $V = 100\angle\theta_V$ and $I = 10\angle\theta_I$ to get

$$Z = \frac{V}{I} = \frac{100\angle\theta_V}{10\angle\theta_I} = 10\angle(\theta_V - \theta_I) = 10\angle 45^\circ \Omega.$$

Finally we obtain $R = \Re(Z) = 7.07 \Omega$ and $\omega L = \Im(Z) = 7.07 \Omega \implies L = 0.0188 \text{ H}$.

2. Find $S = P + jQ$ into N .

Using the voltage and current phasors from above, we get

$$S = VI^* = (100\angle\theta_V)(10\angle\theta_I)^* = (100\angle\theta_V)(10\angle(-\theta_I)) = 1000\angle(\theta_V - \theta_I) = 1000\angle 45^\circ.$$

So $S = P + jQ$, where $P = \Re(S) = 707$ W and $Q = \Im(S) = 707$ Var.

3. Find the maximum instantaneous power into L and compare with Q .

The instantaneous power into L is

$$\begin{aligned} p_L(t) &= v_L(t)i(t) = L \frac{di}{dt} i(t) = -L\sqrt{2}\omega I \sin(\omega t + \theta_I) \sqrt{2}I \cos(\omega t + \theta_I) \\ &= 2\omega LI^2 \sin(\omega t + \theta_I) \cos(\omega t + \theta_I) \\ &= \omega LI^2 \sin(2\omega t + 2\theta_I). \end{aligned}$$

The maximum value of $p_L(t)$ occurs when $\sin(2\omega t + 2\theta_I) = 1$, and at this point,

$$p_{L,\max} = \omega LI^2 = 2\pi 60(0.0188)(10^2) = 707 \text{ W},$$

which is equal to Q .

Problem 2. A certain 1ϕ load draws 5 MW at 0.7 power factor lagging. Determine the reactive power required from a parallel capacitor to bring the power factor of the parallel combination up to 0.9.

With the current power factor of 0.7 lagging, we solve the following for the current Q :

$$\tan(\cos^{-1}(0.7)) = \frac{Q_{cur}}{P} = \frac{Q_{cur}}{5} \implies Q_{cur} = 5.101 \text{ MVar}$$

To reach a power factor of 0.9 lagging, we solve the following for the desired Q :

$$\tan(\cos^{-1}(0.9)) = \frac{Q_{des}}{P} = \frac{Q_{des}}{5} \implies Q_{des} = 2.422 \text{ MVar}$$

Therefore, the reactive power required from a parallel capacitor to bring the power factor to 0.9 is

$$Q_{cap} = Q_{cur} - Q_{des} = 5.101 - 2.422 = 2.679 \text{ MVar}$$

Problem 3. A 3ϕ load draws 200 kW at a PF of 0.707 lagging from a 440-V line. In parallel is a 3ϕ capacitor bank that supplies 50 kVar. Find the resultant power factor and current (magnitude) into the parallel combination.

In each phase, the load draws 200/3 kW at a PF of 0.707 lagging. So we solve for the reactive power that the load draws in each phase as follows:

$$\tan(\cos^{-1}(0.707)) = \frac{Q_{load,1\phi}}{P_{load,1\phi}} = \frac{Q_{load,1\phi}}{200/3} \implies Q_{load,1\phi} = 66.69 \text{ kVar}.$$

With the capacitor bank in parallel, the combined reactive power drawn becomes

$$Q_{combo,1\phi} = Q_{load,1\phi} - Q_{cap,1\phi} = 66.69 - 50/3 = 50.02 \text{ kVar}.$$

So the power factor of the combination is

$$\cos\left(\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{50.02}{200/3}\right)\right) = 0.7999 \approx 0.8 \text{ lagging}$$

The current magnitude into the combination is

$$|I_{\text{combo},1\phi}| = \frac{|S_{\text{combo},1\phi}|}{|V|} = \frac{\sqrt{P_{1\phi}^2 + Q_{\text{combo},1\phi}^2}}{|V|} = \frac{\sqrt{(200/3)^2 + 50.02^2}}{440} = 189 \text{ A, per phase}$$

Problem 4. A 1ϕ load draws 10 kW from a 416-V line at a power factor of 0.9 lagging.

1. Find $S = P + jQ$.

At power factor 0.9 lagging, the complex power drawn is solved as

$$\tan(\cos^{-1}(0.9)) = \frac{Q}{P} = \frac{Q}{10} \implies Q = 4.84 \text{ kVar.}$$

Then, $S = 10 + j4.84 \text{ kVA}$.

2. Find $|I|$.

$$|I| = \frac{|S|}{|V|} = \frac{\sqrt{10^2 + 4.84^2} \times 1000}{416} = 26.7 \text{ A}$$

3. Assume that $\angle I = 0$ and find the instantaneous power $p(t)$.

$$\begin{aligned} p(t) &= v(t)i(t) = \sqrt{2}V \cos(\omega t + \theta_V) \sqrt{2}I \cos(\omega t) \\ &= 2VI \cos(\omega t + \theta_V) \cos(\omega t) \\ &= VI \cos \theta_V + VI \cos(2\omega t + \theta_V) \\ &= P + VI [\cos(2\omega t) \cos \theta_V - \sin(2\omega t) \sin \theta_V] \\ &= P + VI \cos \theta_V \cos(2\omega t) - VI \sin \theta_V \sin(2\omega t) \\ &= P + P \cos(2\omega t) - Q \sin(2\omega t) \\ &= P(1 + \cos(2\omega t)) - Q \sin(2\omega t) \\ &= 10(1 + \cos(2\omega t)) - 4.84 \sin(2\omega t) \text{ kW} \end{aligned}$$

Problem 5. A small manufacturing plant is located 2km down a transmission line, which has a series reactance of $0.5 \Omega/\text{km}$. The line resistance is negligible. The line voltage plant is $480\angle 0 \text{ V}$ (rms), and the plant consumes 120 kW at 0.85 power factor lagging. Determine the voltage and power factor at the sending end of the transmission line by using:

1. A complex power approach.

The load draws 120 kW at 0.85 power factor lagging. We solve for the reactive power drawn by the load as

$$\tan(\cos^{-1}(0.85)) = \frac{Q_{\text{load}}}{P_{\text{load}}} = \frac{Q_{\text{load}}}{120} \implies Q_{\text{load}} = 74.37 \text{ kVar.}$$

Therefore, the complex power drawn by the load is $S_{\text{load}} = 120 + j74.37 \text{ kVA}$. We can now solve for the current into the load as

$$I = \left(\frac{S_{\text{load}}}{V_{\text{load}}}\right)^* = \left(\frac{120 + j74.37}{480\angle 0^\circ}\right)^* = 294.1\angle(-31.79^\circ) \text{ A.}$$

The loss in the line can be computed as

$$S_{line} = V_{line}I_{line}^* = Z_{line}I_{load}I^* = j2(0.5)294.1^2 = j86.51 \text{ kVA.}$$

Thus, the complex power supplied by the source is

$$S_{source} = S_{load} + S_{line} = 120 + j74.37 + j86.51 = 120 + j160.88 \text{ kVA} = 200.7\angle 53.28^\circ \text{ kVA.}$$

So the power factor at the sending end is $\cos(53.28^\circ) = 0.598$, lagging.

Finally, the voltage at the sending end is

$$V_{source} = \frac{S_{source}}{I^*} = \frac{200.7\angle 53.28^\circ}{294.1\angle 31.79^\circ} = 682.4\angle 21.5^\circ \text{ V.}$$

2. A circuit analysis approach.

Using KVL, we have

$$V_{source} = Z_{line}I + V_{load} = j1(294.1\angle(-31.79^\circ)) + 480 = 682.4\angle 21.5^\circ \text{ V.}$$

And the power factor is $\cos(\theta_V - \theta_I) = \cos(21.5^\circ + -31.79^\circ) = 0.598$, lagging.