

AC Induction Motors

- ▶ Simplest and most rugged electric motor
- ▶ Consists of _____ and _____
- ▶ AC in the primary member (stator) produces a _____ field
- ▶ The magnetic field induces _____ in the secondary member (rotor) \Rightarrow another _____
- ▶ Combined fields produce the force (torque) to create rotation.

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- ▶ Rotors typically consist of a laminated, cylindrical iron core with slots for receiving the conductors.
- ▶ Common type of rotor has cast-aluminum conductors and short-circuiting end rings.

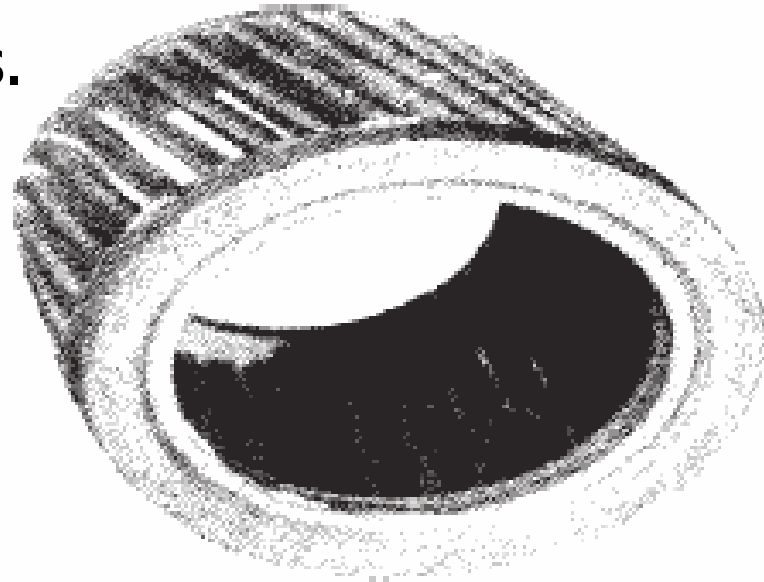
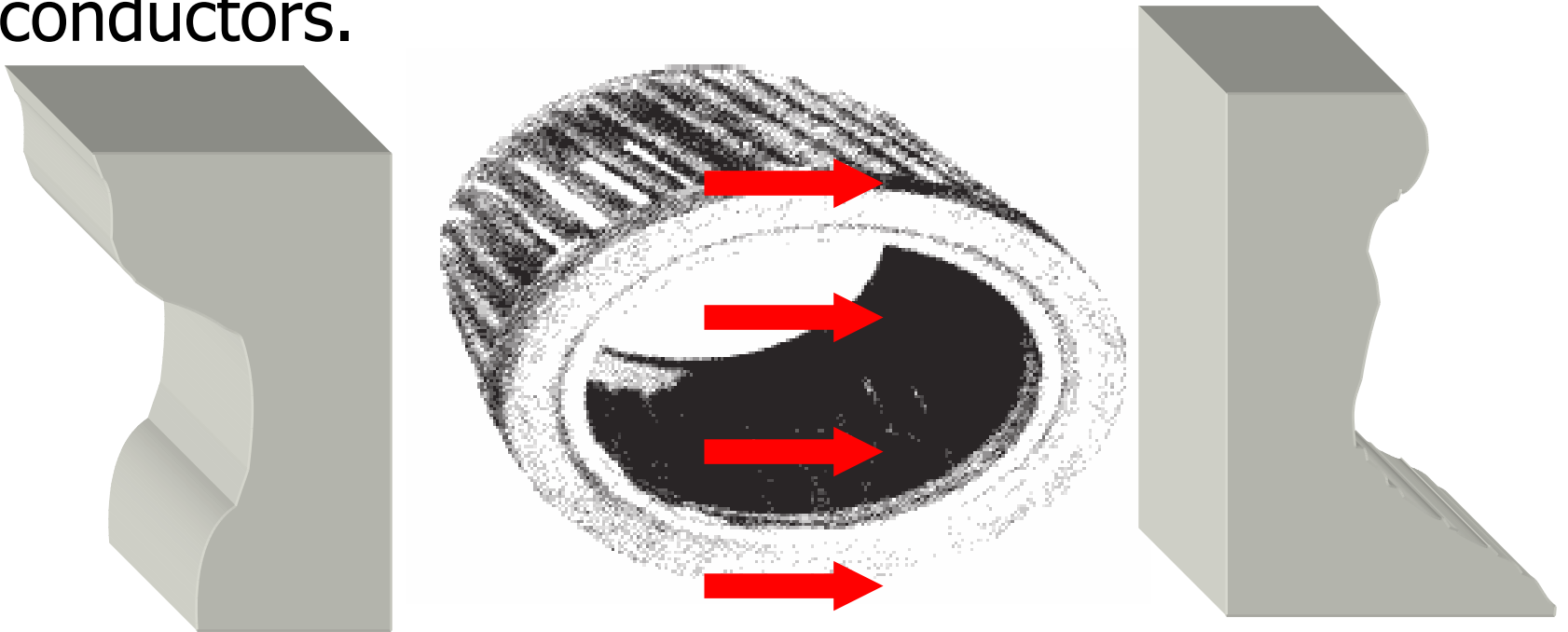


Fig. 2-8: Aluminum conductors in an AC induction rotor. The steel laminations have been removed to illustrate the "squirrel cage" form of the cast aluminum conductors.

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- ▶ The "squirrel cage" rotates when the moving magnetic field induces a current in the shorted conductors.



AC Motor Speed

- ▶ The magnetic field rotates at the _____ speed of the motor
- ▶ Determined by the number of _____ in the stator and the frequency of the AC power

n_s = synchronous speed (in RPM),

f = frequency (in Hz), and

p = the number of poles

AC Motor Speed

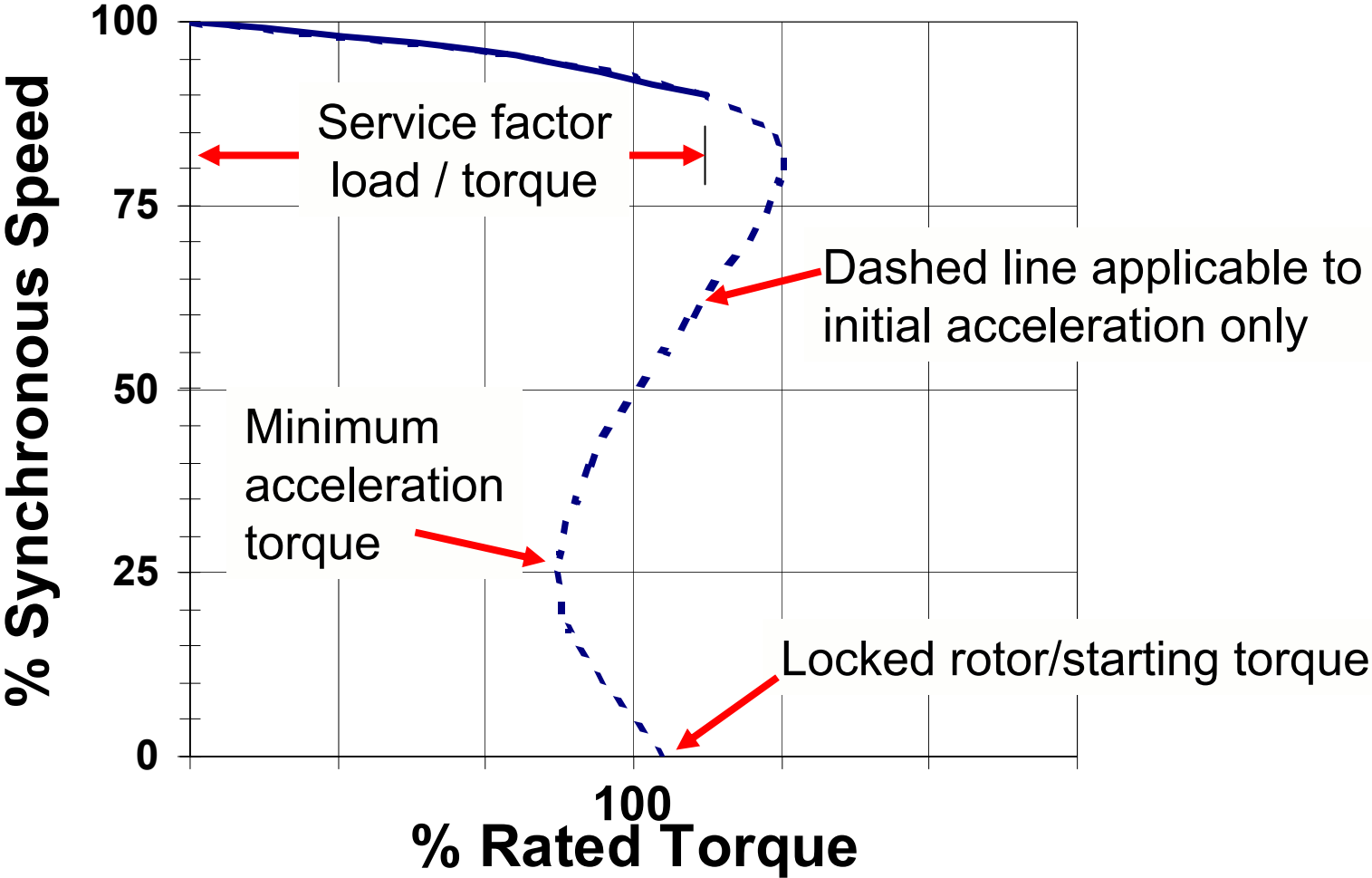
- ▶ Synchronous speed is the absolute upper limit of motor speed.
- ▶ When running, the rotor always rotates _____ than the magnetic field (or no torque!)
- ▶ The speed difference, or _____, is normally referred to as a % of synchronous speed:

s = slip (in %),

n_s = synchronous speed

n_a = actual speed

AC Motor - Speed vs. Torque

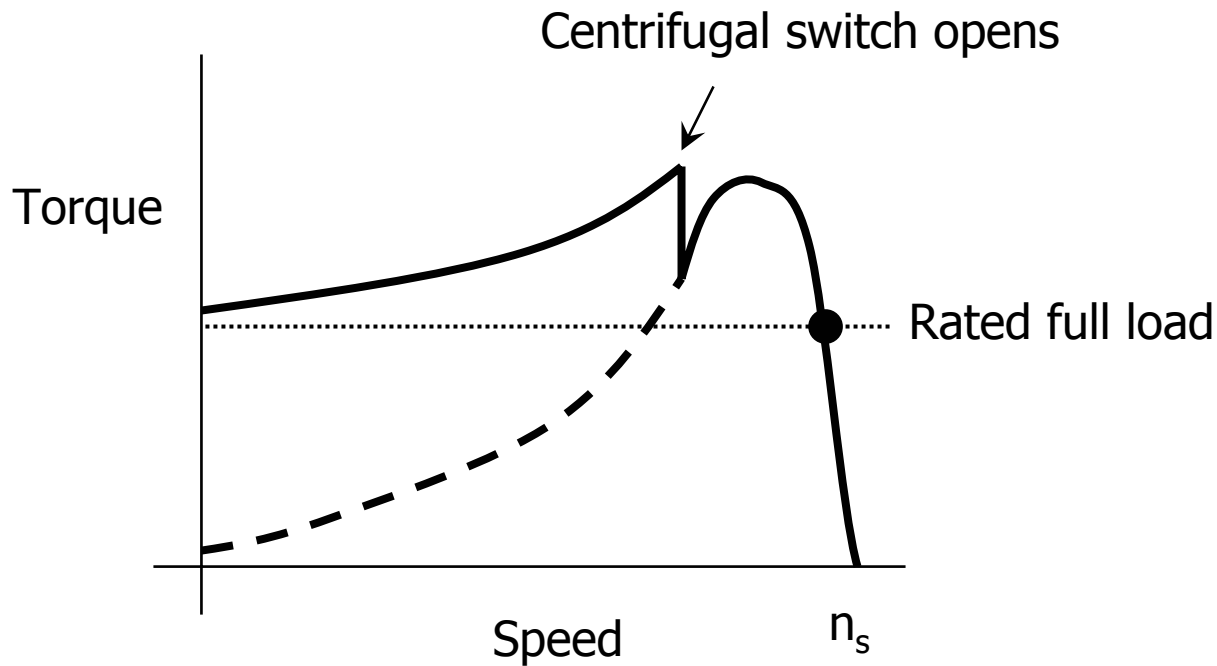


Single-phase AC Motors

- ▶ Single phase AC motors require a "trick" to generate a 2nd "phase" to develop starting torque
- ▶ Three common methods:
 - split-phase (auxiliary winding is rotated 90°)
 - capacitor
 - shaded-pole

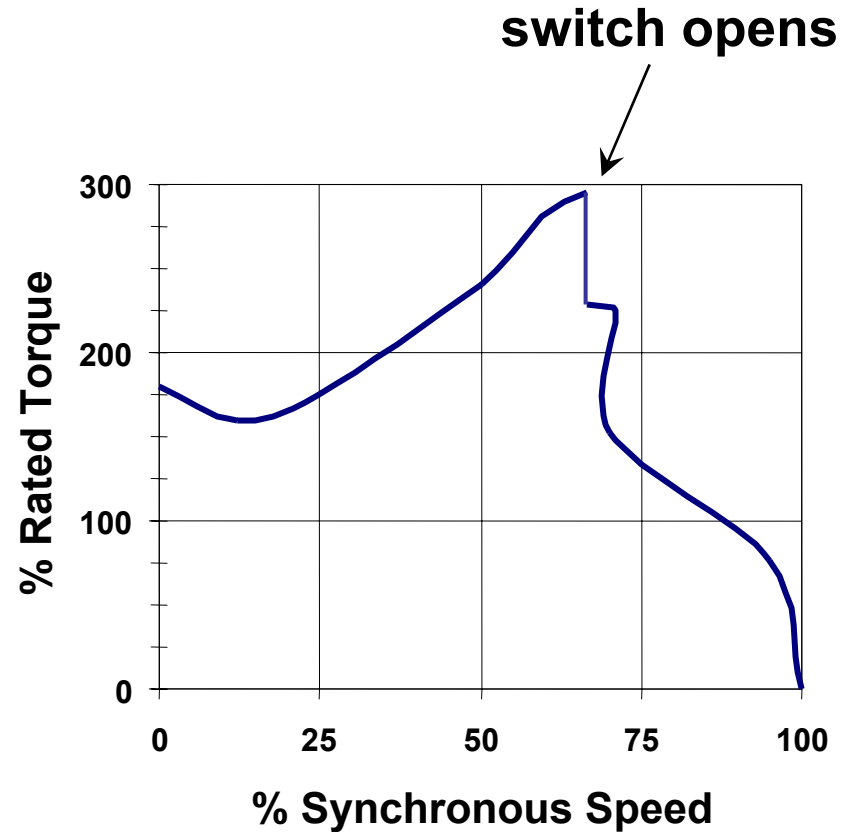
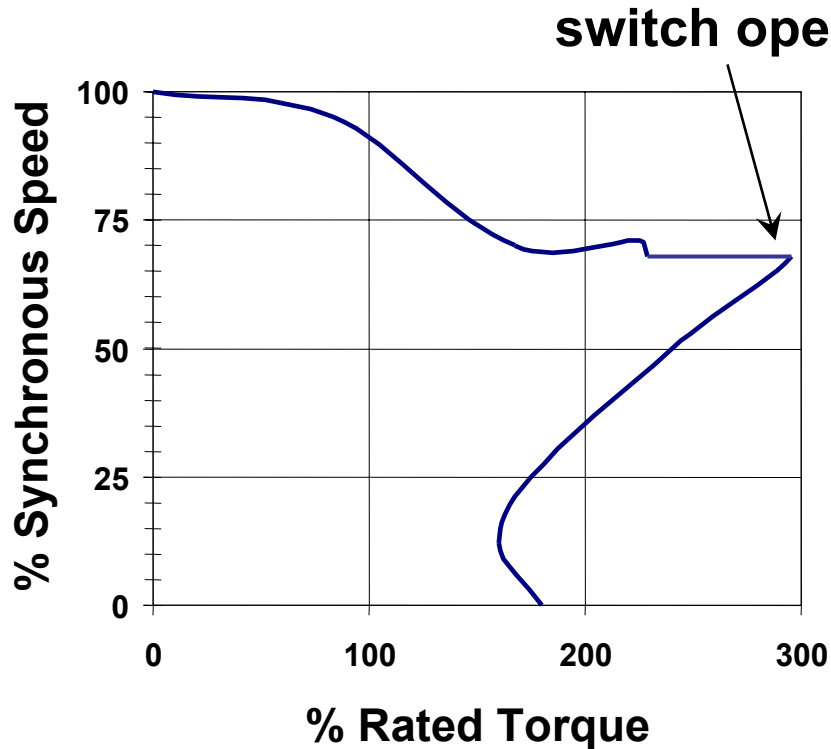
Split-Phase AC Motor

- Motor starts with both main and auxiliary winding
- A centrifugal switch opens and removes the auxiliary winding



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Advantages

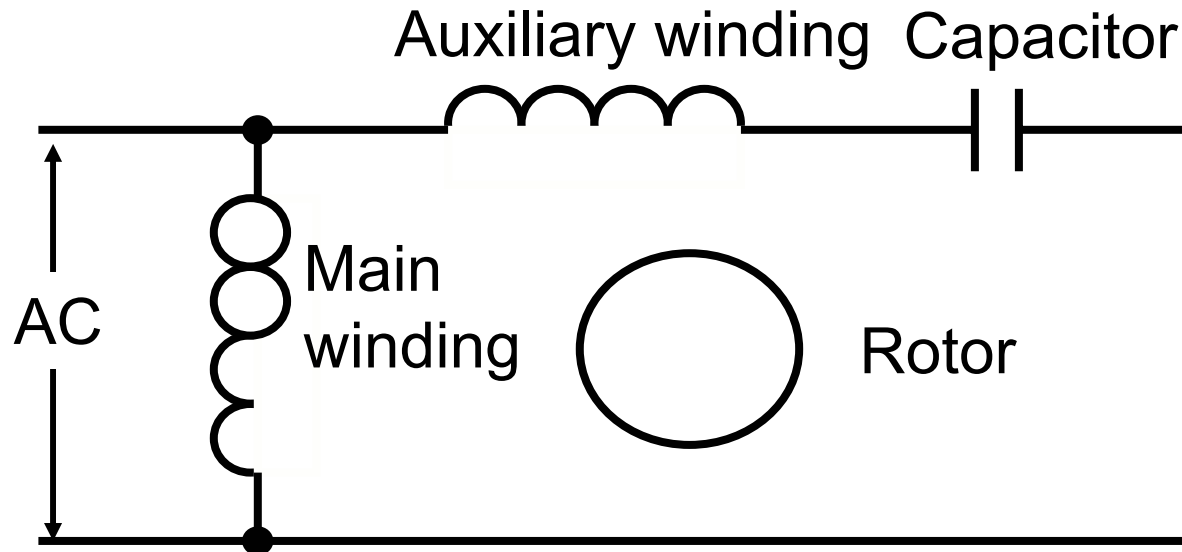
- ▶ Operate at \sim constant speed, 4 pole, 60 Hz:
 - 1780 RPM (no load)
 - 1700/1725 RPM at full load
- ▶ Reversible at low speed
- ▶ Rapid acceleration
- ▶ Relatively low cost

Disadvantages

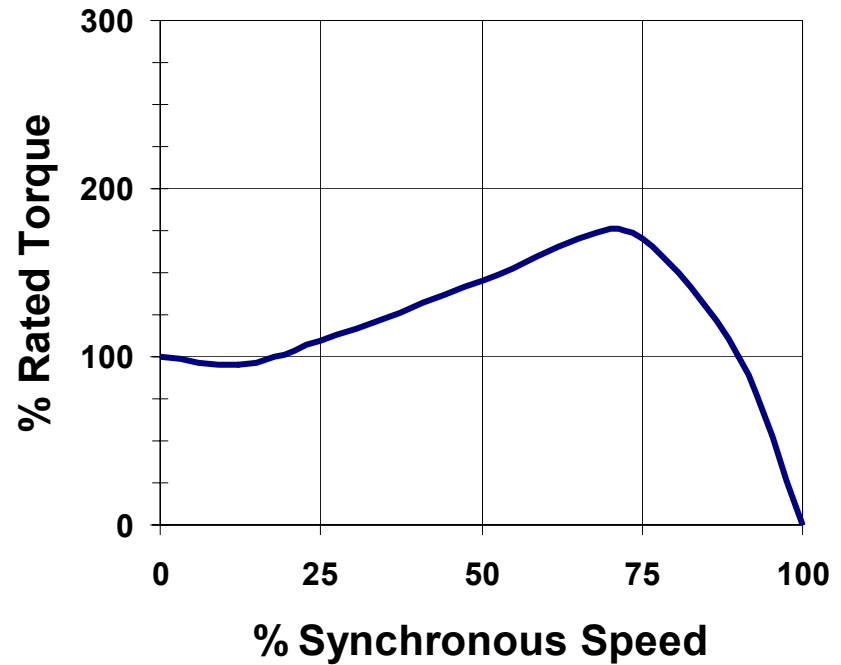
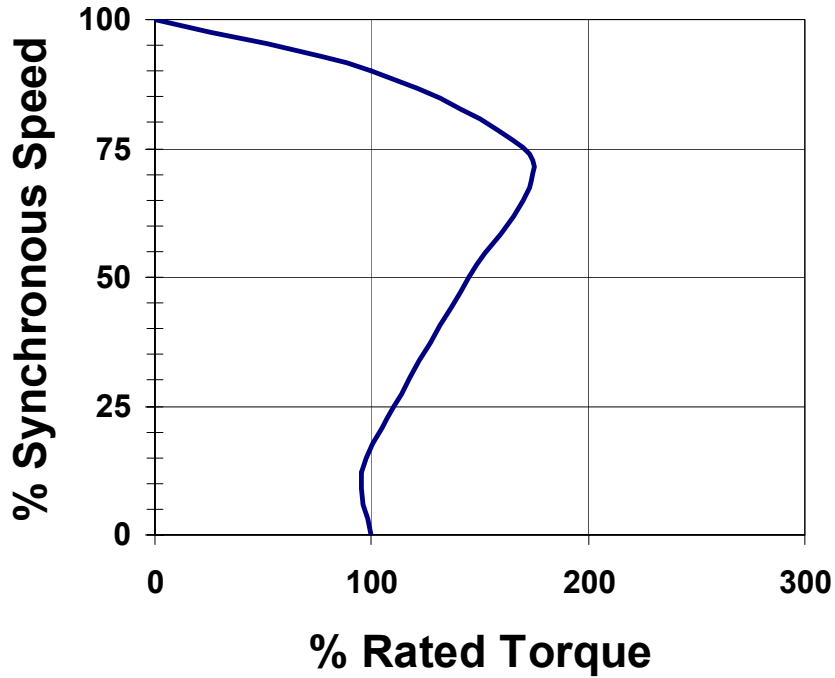
- ▶ Repeated start/stop cycles heat the windings (high start resistance)
- ▶ Less useful for large inertial loads
- ▶ Requires large wiring to handle starting currents

Single-Phase Capacitor Motors

- ▶ Permanent split capacitor (PSC)
- ▶ Capacitor-start (later switched out)
- ▶ Start-capacitor, run-capacitor (switched)



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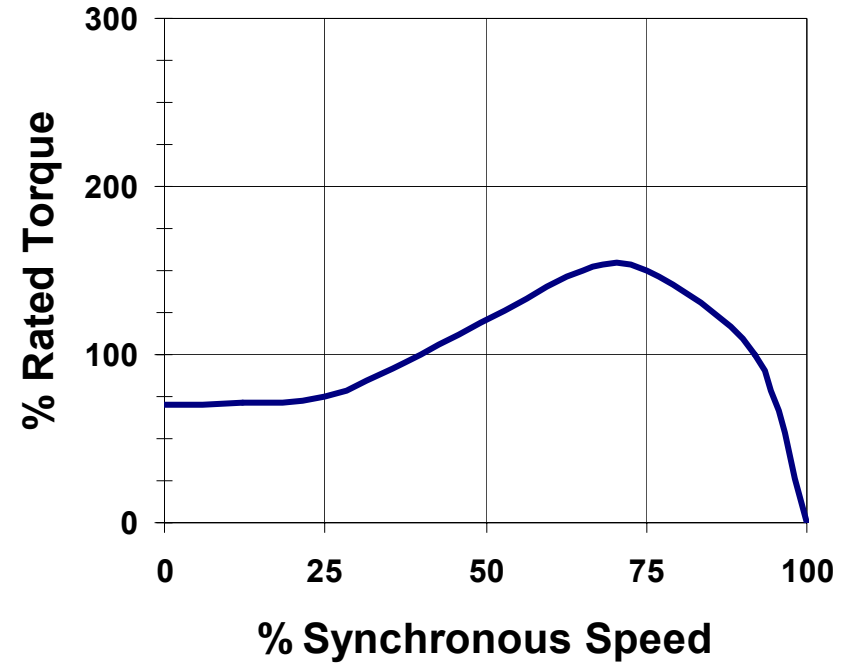
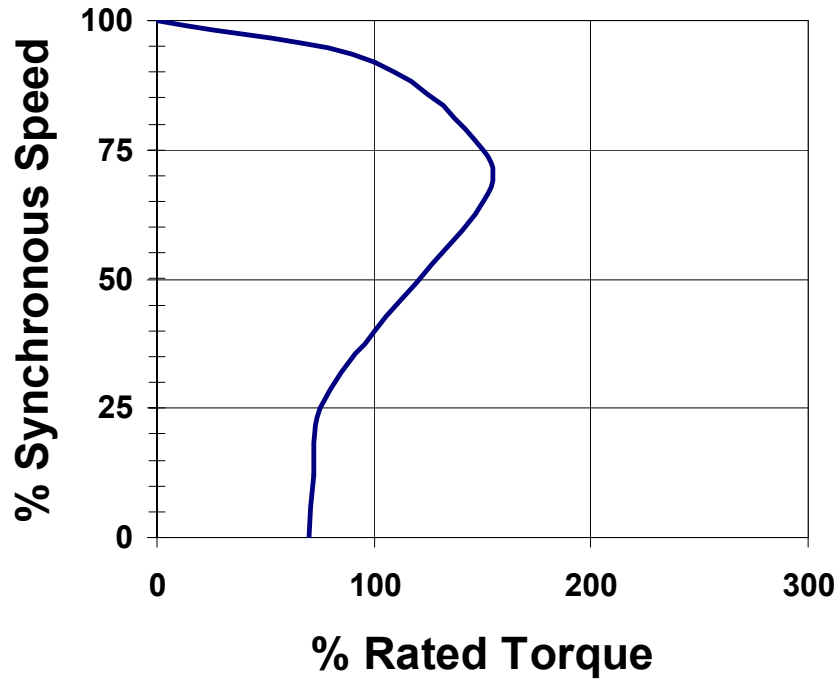
Advantages

- ▶ Quieter, smoother than split phase
- ▶ Reduced starting current
 - Longer life
 - Higher reliability
- ▶ Capable of frequent start/stop cycles

Disadvantages

- ▶ More expensive for same HP
- ▶ Lower performance when starting
- ▶ Need to always use manufacturer's desired capacitor value

Shaded Pole AC Motor



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Advantages

- ▶ Simple in design and construction
- ▶ Suitable for low cost, high volume app's
- ▶ Relatively quiet and free from vibration
- ▶ "Fail safe" design - starts in only 1 direction

Disadvantages

- ▶ Low starting and running torque
- ▶ Low efficiency
- ▶ Available in sub-fractional to $\sim 1/4$ hp sizes

NEMA - National Electrical Manufacturers Association

NEMA is responsible for several electric motor industry "standards"

- ▶ Motor ratings (1/4 hp, 1/2 hp, 1 hp, etc.)
- ▶ Frame size
 - diameter, length, shaft size, etc.
- ▶ Service factors
- ▶ Housing/protection types and ratings

Service Factors

- ▶ A multiplier applied to the rated horsepower
- ▶ Indicate how much the motor can be overloaded without overheating
- ▶ Generally used for
 - handling a known, occasional overload
 - provide a factor of safety where environment or service condition is not well known

Motor Enclosures

- ▶ DP - dripproof
- ▶ DPFG - dripproof, fully guarded
- ▶ SP - splashproof
- ▶ FV - forced ventilation
(separate/attached fan)
- ▶ TENV - totally enclosed, non-ventilated
- ▶ TEFC - totally enclosed, fan cooled
- ▶ TEUC - totally enclosed, unit cooled
(heat-X)

AC Motor Efficiency

- ▶ Efficiency, $\eta =$ _____
- ▶ Small universal motors have $\eta \sim$ _____
- ▶ Large 3-phase motors have $\eta \sim$ _____
- ▶ Depends on actual motor load vs. rated load
 - efficiency best near rated load
 - efficiency drops rapidly for both under- and over-load conditions