

ELEC-E8412 Power Electronics

/ Exercise # 2 _ Solutions

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Problem 1: (Chapter 1)

A sinusoidal voltage source of $v(t) = 40 \cos(2\pi 50t)$ V is applied to a nonlinear load, resulting in a non-sinusoidal current which is expressed in Fourier series as $i(t) = 3 + 7 \cos(2\pi 50t + 20^\circ) + 4 \cos(6\pi 50t + 15^\circ) + 3 \cos(8\pi 50t + 25^\circ)$ A. Determine

- (a) the power absorbed by the load,
- (b) the power factor of the load, and
- (d) the total harmonic distortion of the load current.

Solution:

$$P(t) = V(t) \cdot i(t)$$

Part (a): The power absorbed by the load is

$$P = \frac{40}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{7}{\sqrt{2}} \cos\left(\frac{20}{180}\pi\right) = 131.56 \text{ W}$$

Part (b):

The power factor of the load can be calculated by

$$pf = \frac{P}{V_{rms} I_{rms}}$$

$$V_{rms} = \frac{40}{\sqrt{2}} = 28.28 \text{ V}$$

$$I_{rms} = \sqrt{(3)^2 + \left(\frac{7}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{4}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{3}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^2} = \sqrt{46} = 6.78 \text{ A}$$

$$pf = \frac{P}{V_{rms} I_{rms}} = \frac{131.56}{28.28 * 6.78} = 0.686$$

Part (c):

$$THD = \frac{\sqrt{(3)^2 + \left(\frac{4}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{3}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^2}}{\frac{7}{\sqrt{2}}} = \frac{4.637}{4.95} = 0.936$$

Problem 2: (Chapter 1)

The voltage and current for a circuit element are

$$v(t) = 3 + 5 \cos(2\pi 60t + 15^\circ) + 2 \cos(4\pi 60t) \text{ V and}$$

$$i(t) = 2 + 7 \cos(2\pi 60t + 45^\circ) + 3 \cos(6\pi 60t + 25^\circ) \text{ A.}$$

(a) Determine the rms values of voltage and current.

(b) Determine the power absorbed by the element.

Solution:

Part (a):

$$V_{rms} = \sqrt{(3)^2 + \left(\frac{5}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^2} = 4.85 \text{ V}$$

$$I_{rms} = \sqrt{(2)^2 + \left(\frac{7}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{3}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^2} = 5.74 \text{ A}$$

Part (b): The power absorbed by the load is

$$P = 6 + \frac{5}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{7}{\sqrt{2}} \cos\left(\frac{30}{180}\pi\right) = 21.15 \text{ W}$$

Problem 3:

For the half-wave rectifier, the source is a sinusoid of 300 V rms at a frequency of 50 Hz. The load resistor is 25. Determine

- the average load current,
- the power absorbed by the load,
- the apparent power supplied by the source, and
- the power factor of the circuit.

Solution:

Part (a):

The voltage across the resistor in a half-wave rectified sine wave with peak value $V_m = V_{rms} * \sqrt{2} = 300\sqrt{2} = 424.4 V$. The average voltage in a half-wave rectifier is V_m/π , and average current is:

$$\langle i_o \rangle = \frac{V_m}{\pi R} = \frac{300(\sqrt{2})}{25\pi} = 5.4 A$$

Part (b):

The rms voltage across the resistor for a half-wave rectified sinusoid is:

$$V_{orms} = \frac{V_m}{2} = \frac{300(\sqrt{2})}{2} = 212.132 V$$

$$I_{rms} = \frac{V_m}{2R} = \frac{300\sqrt{2}}{2*25} = 8.488 A$$

The power absorbed by the resistor is:

$$P = R \times I_{orms}^2 = \frac{V_{orms}^2}{R} = \frac{(212.132)^2}{25} = 1800 W$$

The rms current in the resistor is 8.488 A, and the power could also be calculated from $RI_{orms}^2 = 25 \times (8.488)^2 = 1800 w$

Part (c):

$$\text{Apparent Power} = V_{in-rms} * I_{in-rms} = 300 * 8.488 = 2545$$

Part (d): The power factor is:

$$pf = \frac{\text{average power}}{\text{apparent power}} = \frac{P}{V_{in-rms} \times I_{in-rms}} = \frac{1800}{300 \times 8.488} = 0.707$$



Problem 4:

For the half-wave rectifier with R-L load, $R=100\Omega$, $L=0.1$ H, $\omega=377$ rad/s, and $V_m=100$ V. Determine

- (a) an expression for the current in this circuit,
- (b) the average current,
- (c) the rms current
- (d) the power absorbed by the resistor, and
- (e) the power factor.

Hint: $\beta = 3.5$ rad

Solution:

Part (a):

For a half-wave rectifier with R-L load:

$$i(t) = \frac{V_m}{\sqrt{R^2 + (L\omega)^2}} \sin(\omega t - \theta) + A e^{-t/L/R}$$

Where, $\theta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{L\omega}{R}\right)$ and $A = \frac{V_m \sin \theta}{\sqrt{R^2 + (L\omega)^2}}$

For the given problem:

$$Z = \sqrt{R^2 + (L\omega)^2} = \sqrt{(100)^2 + (0.1 * 377)^2} = 106.87$$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{L\omega}{R}\right) = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{37.7}{100}\right) = \tan^{-1}(0.377) = 0.36 \text{ rad} = 20.64^\circ$$

$$i(\omega t) = \frac{100}{106.87} \sin(\omega t - 0.36) + \frac{100 * \sin(0.36)}{106.87} e^{-\omega t/0.377}$$

$\beta = 3.5$ rad is given by the problem, so

$$i(\omega t) = 0.936 \sin(\omega t - 0.36) + 0.33 e^{-\omega t/0.377} \quad \text{for } 0 \leq \omega t \leq 3.5$$

$$i(\omega t) = 0 \quad \text{for } 3.5 \leq \omega t \leq 2\pi$$

Part (b):

$$\begin{aligned}\langle i(\omega t) \rangle &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{3.5} [0.936 \sin(\omega t - 0.36) + 0.33 e^{-\omega t/0.377}] d(\omega t) \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} [-0.936(\cos(3.5 - 0.36) - \cos(-0.36)) + 0.33(-0.377)(e^{-3.5/0.377} - e^0)] \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} [(-0.936)(-1.935) + 0.33(-0.377)(-1)] = 0.308 \text{ A}\end{aligned}$$

Part (c):

$$\begin{aligned}I_{rms} &= \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{3.5} [0.936 \sin(\omega t - 0.36) + 0.33 e^{-\omega t/0.377}]^2 d(\omega t)} = 0.474 \text{ A} \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{3.5} \left[\frac{(0.936)^2}{2} (1 - \cos(2\omega t - 0.72)) + (0.33)^2 e^{-2\omega t/0.377} + \right. \\ &\quad \left. 2(0.33)(0.936) e^{-\omega t/0.377} \sin(\omega t - 0.36) \right] d(\omega t)}\end{aligned}$$

$$I_{rms} = 0.474 \text{ A}$$

Note that:

$$\begin{aligned}\int e^{ax} \cos bx &= \frac{e^{ax}}{a^2 + b^2} (b \sin bx + a \cos bx) \\ \int e^{ax} \sin bx &= \frac{e^{ax}}{a^2 + b^2} (a \sin bx - b \cos bx)\end{aligned}$$

Part (d): the power absorbed by the resistor is

$$P = R * I_{rms}^2 = 100 * (0.474)^2 = 22.47 \text{ W}$$

Note that average power absorbed by the inductor is zero.

Part (e):

$$Pf = \frac{P}{V_{in-rms} * I_{in-rms}} = \frac{22.47}{\frac{100}{\sqrt{2}} * 0.474} = 0.67$$

Problem 5:

For a half-wave rectifier with R-L load with $V_{in} = 300\sin(377t)$ and $R=12\Omega$ and $L=12$ mH.

Determine

- (a) an expression for load current,
- (b) the average current,
- (c) the power absorbed by the resistor, and
- (d) the power factor.

Solution:

Part (a):

For the given problem:

$$Z = \sqrt{R^2 + (L\omega)^2} = \sqrt{(12)^2 + (0.012 * 377)^2} = 12.82$$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{L\omega}{R}\right) = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{4.524}{12}\right) = \tan^{-1}(0.377) = 0.36 \text{ rad} = 20.64^\circ$$

$$i(\omega t) = \frac{300}{12.82} \sin(\omega t - 0.36) + \frac{300 * \sin(0.36)}{12.82} e^{-\omega t/0.377}$$

$$i(\omega t) = 23.4\sin(\omega t - 0.36) + 8.24e^{-\omega t/0.377} \quad \text{for } 0 \leq \omega t \leq 3.5$$

$$i(\omega t) = 0 \quad \text{for } 3.5 \leq \omega t \leq 2\pi$$

Part (b):

$$\begin{aligned} \langle i(\omega t) \rangle &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{3.5} [23.4\sin(\omega t - 0.36) + 8.24e^{-\omega t/0.377}] d(\omega t) \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} [-23.4(\cos(3.5 - 0.36) - \cos(-0.36)) + 8.24(-0.377)(e^{-3.5/0.377} - e^0)] \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} [-23.4(-1.935) + 8.24(-0.377)(-1)] = 7.7 \text{ A} \end{aligned}$$

Part (c): the power absorbed by the resistor is $P = R * I_{rms}^2$

So, first we need to calculate I_{rms}

$$I_{rms} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{3.5} [23.4\sin(\omega t - 0.36) + 8.24e^{-\omega t/0.377}]^2 d(\omega t)}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi} (880.75)} = 11.84 \text{ A}$$

$$\int_0^{3.5} \left[\frac{(23.4)^2}{2} (1 - \cos(2\omega t - 0.72)) + (8.24)^2 e^{-2\omega t/0.377} + 386 e^{-\omega t/0.377} \sin(\omega t - 0.36) \right] d(\omega t)$$

$$= \frac{(23.4)^2}{2} \left(3.5 - \frac{1}{2} \sin(0.72) \right) + (8.24)^2 \left(\frac{-0.377}{2} \right) (-1) + 0 = 880.75$$

$$P = R * I_{rms}^2 = 12 * (11.84)^2 = 1682.23$$

Part (d):

$$Pf = \frac{P}{V_{in-rms} * I_{in-rms}} = \frac{1682.23}{\frac{300}{\sqrt{2}} * 11.84} = 0.67$$