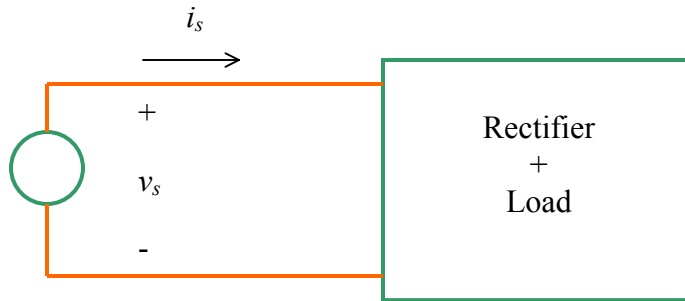


Power Factor: Summary



There are three cases to be considered:

Case I:

v_s – Nonsinusoidal

i_s – Nonsinusoidal

Voltage and current can be expressed in Fourier series as:

$$v_s = V_o + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} V_n \sin(n\omega t - \phi_n)$$

$$i_s = I_o + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} I_n \sin(n\omega t - \theta_n)$$

Power factor,

$$pf = \frac{P_{avg}}{V_{rms} I_{rms}}$$

Where

$$V_{rms} = \sqrt{V_o^2 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{V_n^2}{2}}$$

$$I_{rms} = \sqrt{I_o^2 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{I_n^2}{2}}$$

and

$$P_{avg} = V_o I_o + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{V_n I_n}{2} \cos(\phi_n - \theta_n)$$

Case II:

v_s – Sinusoidal

i_s – Nonsinusoidal

Voltage and current can be expressed in Fourier series as:

$$v_s = V_1 \sin(\omega t - \phi_1)$$

$$i_s = I_o + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} I_n \sin(n\omega t - \theta_n)$$

Power factor,

$$pf = \frac{P_{avg}}{V_{rms} I_{rms}}$$

Where

$$V_{rms} = \frac{V_1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$I_{rms} = \sqrt{I_o^2 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{I_n^2}{2}}$$

and

$$P_{avg} = \frac{V_1 I_1}{2} \cos(\phi_1 - \theta_1)$$

$$\therefore pf = \frac{\frac{V_1 I_1}{2} \cos(\phi_1 - \theta_1)}{\frac{V_1}{\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{I_o^2 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{I_n^2}{2}}}$$

$$pf = \frac{\frac{I_1}{\sqrt{2}} \cos(\phi_1 - \theta_1)}{\sqrt{I_o^2 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{I_n^2}{2}}}$$

$$pf = \frac{I_{1,rms}}{I_{rms}} \cos(\phi_1 - \theta_1)$$

= (distortion factor)(displacement factor)

Case III:

v_s – Sinusoidal

i_s – Sinusoidal

Voltage and current can be expressed in Fourier series as:

$$v_s = V_1 \sin(\omega t - \phi_1)$$

$$i_s = I_1 \sin(\omega t - \theta_1)$$

Power factor,

$$pf = \frac{P_{avg}}{V_{rms} I_{rms}}$$

Where

$$V_{rms} = \frac{V_1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$I_{rms} = \frac{I_1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

and

$$P_{avg} = \frac{V_1 I_1}{2} \cos(\phi_1 - \theta_1)$$

$$\therefore pf = \frac{\frac{V_1 I_1}{2} \cos(\phi_1 - \theta_1)}{\frac{V_1}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{I_1}{\sqrt{2}}}$$

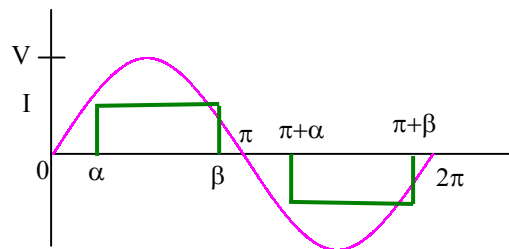
$$pf = \cos(\phi_1 - \theta_1)$$

= (displacement factor)

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Power Factor Examples

Example 1.0 (Basic Principles)



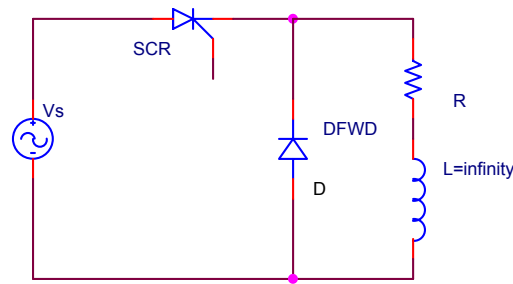
$$pf = \frac{P_{avg}}{V_{rms} I_{rms}}$$

$$V_{rms} = \frac{V}{\sqrt{2}} ; I_{rms} = I \sqrt{\frac{\beta - \alpha}{\pi}}$$

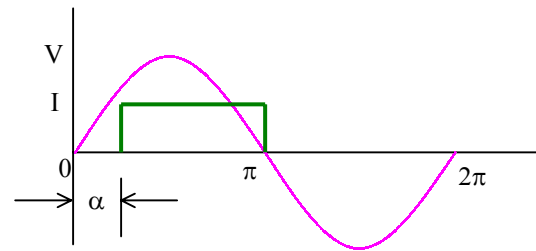
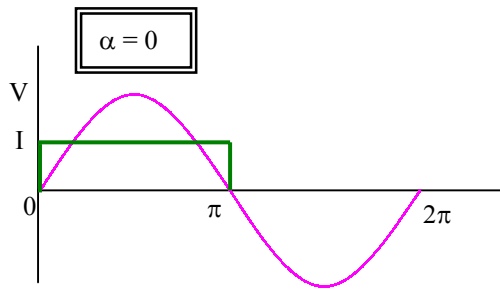
$$\begin{aligned} P_{avg} &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{\pi} v(\omega t) i(\omega t) d(\omega t) \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} V \sin(\omega t) I d(\omega t) \\ &= \frac{VI}{\pi} \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \sin(\omega t) d(\omega t) = \frac{VI}{\pi} [-\cos(\omega t)]_{\alpha}^{\beta} \\ &= \frac{VI}{\pi} [\cos(\alpha) - \cos(\beta)] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore pf &= \frac{P_{avg}}{V_{rms} I_{rms}} = \frac{\frac{VI}{\pi} [\cos \alpha - \cos \beta]}{\frac{V}{\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{\frac{\beta - \alpha}{\pi}}} \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi(\beta - \alpha)}} [\cos \alpha - \cos \beta] \end{aligned}$$

Example 2.0



Half-Wave Phase-controlled Rectifier with RL Load and FWD



$$pf = \frac{P_{avg}}{V_{rms} I_{rms}}$$

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$$V_{rms} = \frac{V}{\sqrt{2}} ; I_{rms} = I \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2\pi}} = \frac{I}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$V_{rms} = \frac{V}{\sqrt{2}} ; I_{rms} = I \sqrt{\frac{\pi - \alpha}{2\pi}}$$

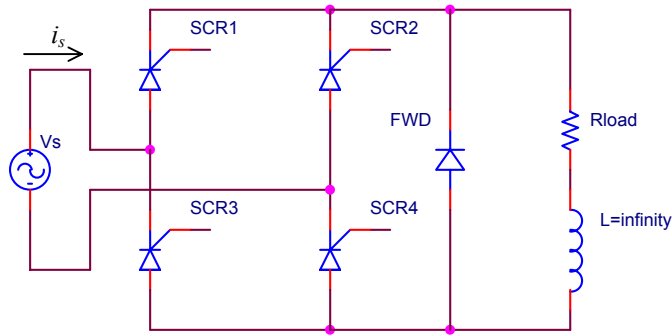
$$\begin{aligned} P_{avg} &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} v(\omega t) i(\omega t) d(\omega t) \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{\pi} V \sin(\omega t) I d(\omega t) \\ &= \frac{VI}{2\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \sin(\omega t) d(\omega t) \\ &= \frac{VI}{\pi} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_{avg} &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} v(\omega t) i(\omega t) d(\omega t) \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\alpha}^{\pi} V \sin(\omega t) I d(\omega t) \\ &= \frac{VI}{2\pi} \int_{\alpha}^{\pi} \sin(\omega t) d(\omega t) \\ &= \frac{VI}{2\pi} [1 + \cos \alpha] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore pf &= \frac{P_{avg}}{V_{rms} I_{rms}} = \frac{VI \sqrt{2} \sqrt{2}}{\pi VI} \\ &= \frac{2}{\pi} \end{aligned}$$

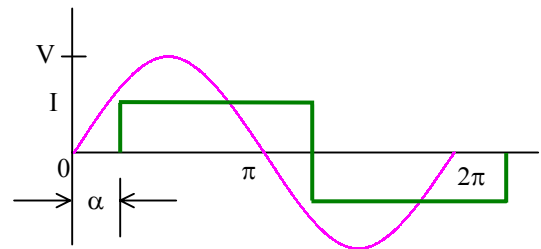
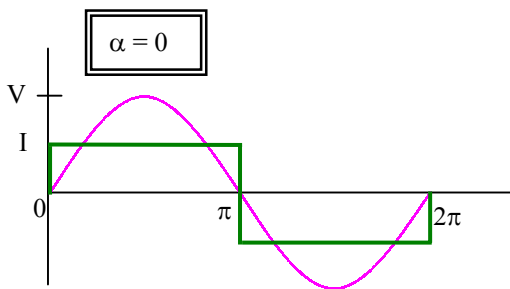
$$\begin{aligned} \therefore pf &= \frac{P_{avg}}{V_{rms} I_{rms}} = \frac{\frac{VI}{2\pi} [1 + \cos \alpha]}{\frac{V}{\sqrt{2}} I \sqrt{\frac{\pi - \alpha}{2\pi}}} \\ &= \frac{[1 + \cos \alpha]}{\sqrt{\pi (\pi - \alpha)}} \end{aligned}$$

Example 3.0



$$i_s = \begin{cases} i_{SCR1} & \text{when SCR1 on} \\ -i_{SCR3} & \text{when SCR3 on} \end{cases}$$

Full-Wave Phase-controlled Rectifier with RL Load



$$pf = \frac{P_{avg}}{V_{rms} I_{rms}}$$

$$V_{rms} = \frac{V}{\sqrt{2}} ; I_{rms} = I$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_{avg} &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} v(\omega t) i(\omega t) d(\omega t) \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} V \sin(\omega t) I d(\omega t) \\ &= \frac{VI}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \sin(\omega t) d(\omega t) \\ &= \frac{2VI}{\pi} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore pf &= \frac{P_{avg}}{V_{rms} I_{rms}} = \frac{\frac{2VI}{\pi}}{\frac{V}{\sqrt{2}} I} \\ &= \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{\pi} \end{aligned}$$

$$pf = \frac{P_{avg}}{V_{rms} I_{rms}}$$

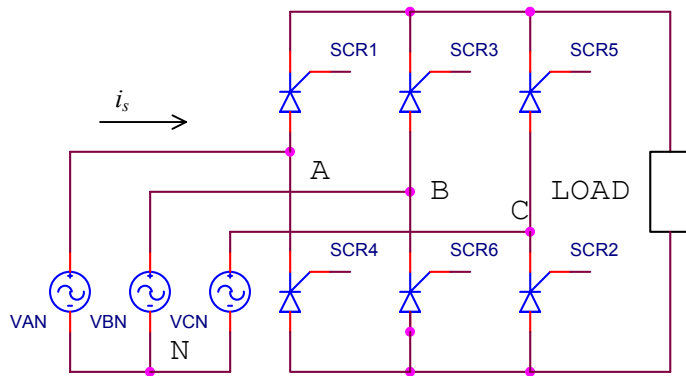
$$V_{rms} = \frac{V}{\sqrt{2}} ; I_{rms} = I$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_{avg} &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} v(\omega t) i(\omega t) d(\omega t) \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{\alpha}^{\pi+\alpha} V \sin(\omega t) I d(\omega t) \\ &= \frac{VI}{\pi} \int_{\alpha}^{\pi+\alpha} \sin(\omega t) d(\omega t) \\ &= \frac{2VI}{\pi} \cos\alpha \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore pf &= \frac{P_{avg}}{V_{rms} I_{rms}} = \frac{\frac{2VI}{\pi} \cos\alpha}{\frac{V}{\sqrt{2}} I} \\ &= \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{\pi} \cos\alpha \end{aligned}$$

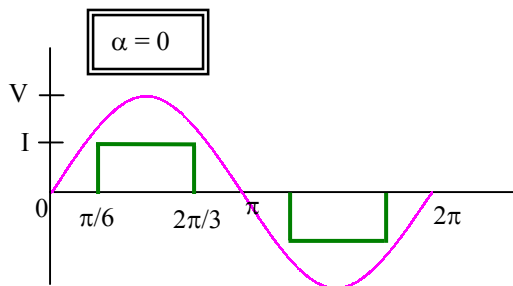
Note: The term $\cos(\alpha)$ is actually a term for displacement factor.

Example 4.0



Three Phase Full-Wave Phase-controlled Rectifier

$$i_s = \begin{cases} i_{SCR1} & \text{when SCR1 on} \\ -i_{SCR4} & \text{when SCR4 on} \end{cases}$$

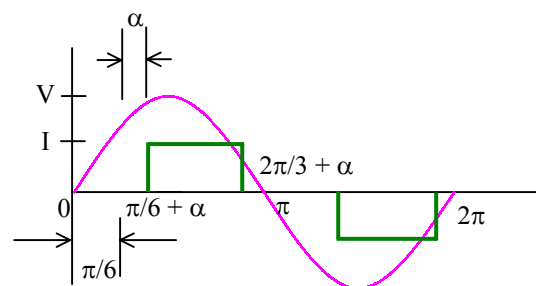


$$pf = \frac{P_{avg}}{V_{rms} I_{rms}}$$

$$V_{rms} = \frac{V}{\sqrt{2}} ; I_{rms} = I\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_{avg} &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} v(\omega t) i(\omega t) d(\omega t) \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{\pi/6}^{2\pi/3} V \sin(\omega t) I d(\omega t) \\ &= \frac{VI}{\pi} \int_{\pi/6}^{2\pi/3} \sin(\omega t) d(\omega t) \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{3}VI}{\pi} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore pf &= \frac{P_{avg}}{V_{rms} I_{rms}} = \frac{\frac{\sqrt{3}VI}{\pi}}{\frac{V}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{I\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3}}} \\ &= \frac{3}{\pi} \end{aligned}$$



$$pf = \frac{P_{avg}}{V_{rms} I_{rms}}$$

$$V_{rms} = \frac{V}{\sqrt{2}} ; I_{rms} = I\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_{avg} &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} v(\omega t) i(\omega t) d(\omega t) \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{\pi/6+\alpha}^{2\pi/3+\alpha} V \sin(\omega t) I d(\omega t) \\ &= \frac{VI}{\pi} \int_{\pi/6+\alpha}^{2\pi/3+\alpha} \sin(\omega t) d(\omega t) \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{3}VI}{\pi} \cos\alpha \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore pf &= \frac{P_{avg}}{V_{rms} I_{rms}} = \frac{\frac{\sqrt{3}VI}{\pi} \cos\alpha}{\frac{V}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{I\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3}}} \\ &= \frac{3}{\pi} \cos\alpha \end{aligned}$$

Note: The term $\cos(\alpha)$ is actually a term for displacement factor.

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