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Electrical machines 311 (ELX 311)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Faculty	Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology
Module credits	16.00
NQF Level	07
Programmes	BEng (Electrical Engineering) BEng (Electrical Engineering) ENGAGE
Prerequisites	EIR 211/221
Contact time	1 practical per week, 1 tutorial per week, 3 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Electrical, Electronic and Computer Engineering
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Module content

This module centres on converting a physical, electrical system into an equivalent electrical circuit model. The module starts by developing an equivalent circuit model of basic magnetic circuits through the study of flux, flux density, reluctance, hysteresis and MMF, which is later used to study and analyse electro-mechanical conversion systems. The module then moves to modelling single and three-phase transformers by introducing a fundamental electrical engineering tool, the per-unit system, as well as voltage regulation and efficiency in analysing the equivalent circuit model. Before modelling rotating machines, the fundamental principles thereof, including torque, speed, efficiency and heat loss, are introduced. Two rotating machines models are developed and studied: three-phase induction motors and DC motors. The equivalent models are used to analyse the performance of the machines.

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