

AC Machines: Synchronous Machine

Theory of salient pole machine:
Blondel's two reaction theory

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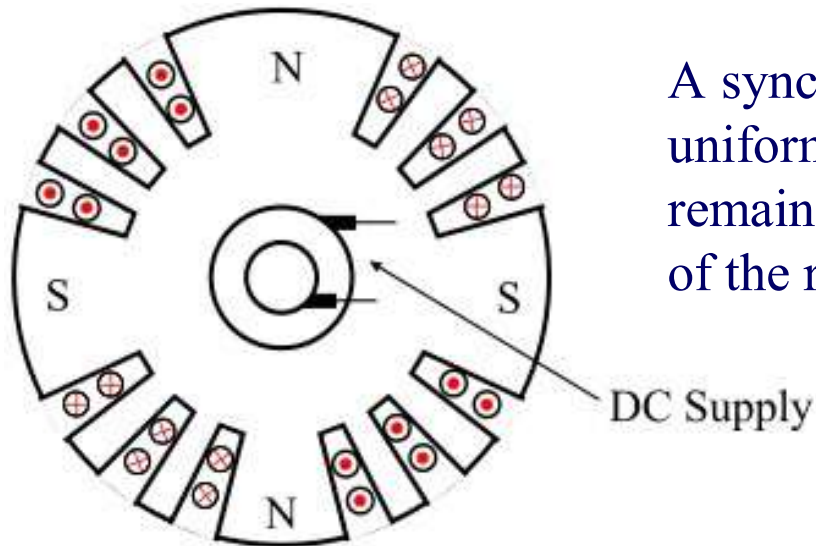


Fig. - Cylindrical Rotor

A synchronous machine with cylindrical rotor has a uniform air-gap, because of which its reactance remains the same, irrespective of the spatial position of the rotor.

A cylindrical rotor machine possesses one axis of symmetry

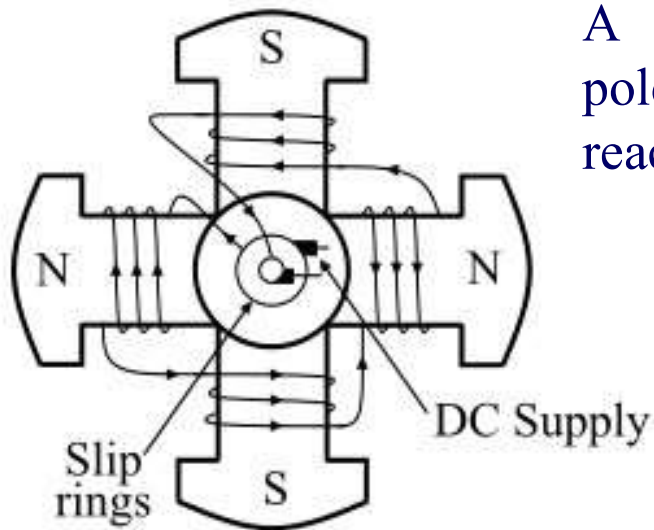


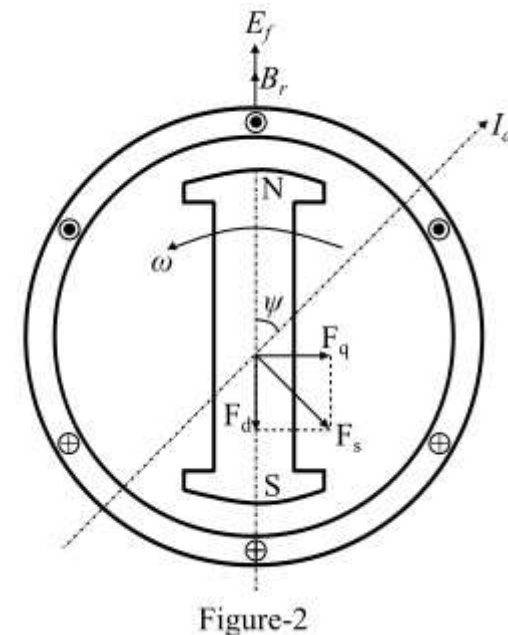
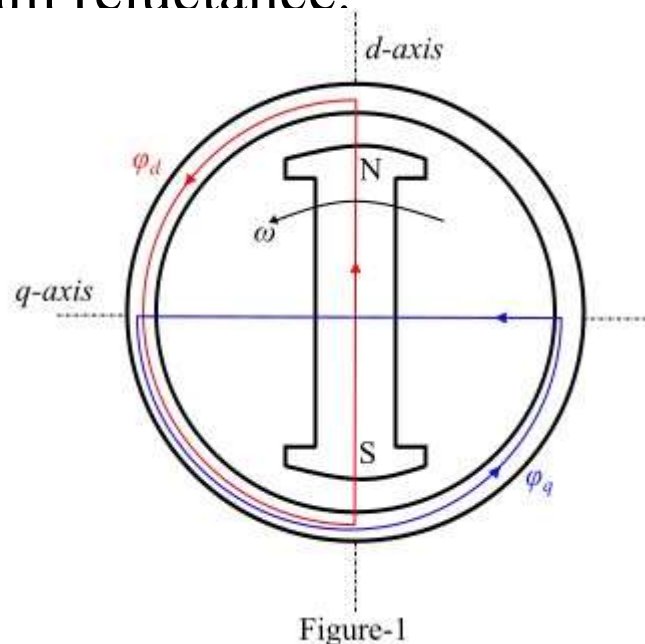
Fig. - Salient Pole Rotor

A synchronous machine with salient or projecting poles has non-uniform air-gap due to which its reactance varies with the rotor position.

Salient-pole machine possesses two axes of geometric symmetry **(i)** field poles axis, called direct axis or *d-axis* and **(ii)** *axis passing through* the centre of the interpolar space, called the quadrature axis or *qaxis*

Two Reaction Theory of Salient Pole Machine

- ❖ In a salient-pole rotor synchronous machine, the air-gap is highly non-uniform.
- ❖ The axis shown along the axis of the rotor is known as *direct axis* or *d-axis* and the axis perpendicular to the d-axis is called *quadrature axis* or *q-axis*.
- ❖ Small air-gaps are involved in the path of d-axis flux (ϕ_d), thus the reluctance of the path is minimum
- ❖ The q-axis flux (ϕ_q) path has large air-gaps and it is the path of maximum reluctance.



Two Reaction Theory of Salient Pole Machine

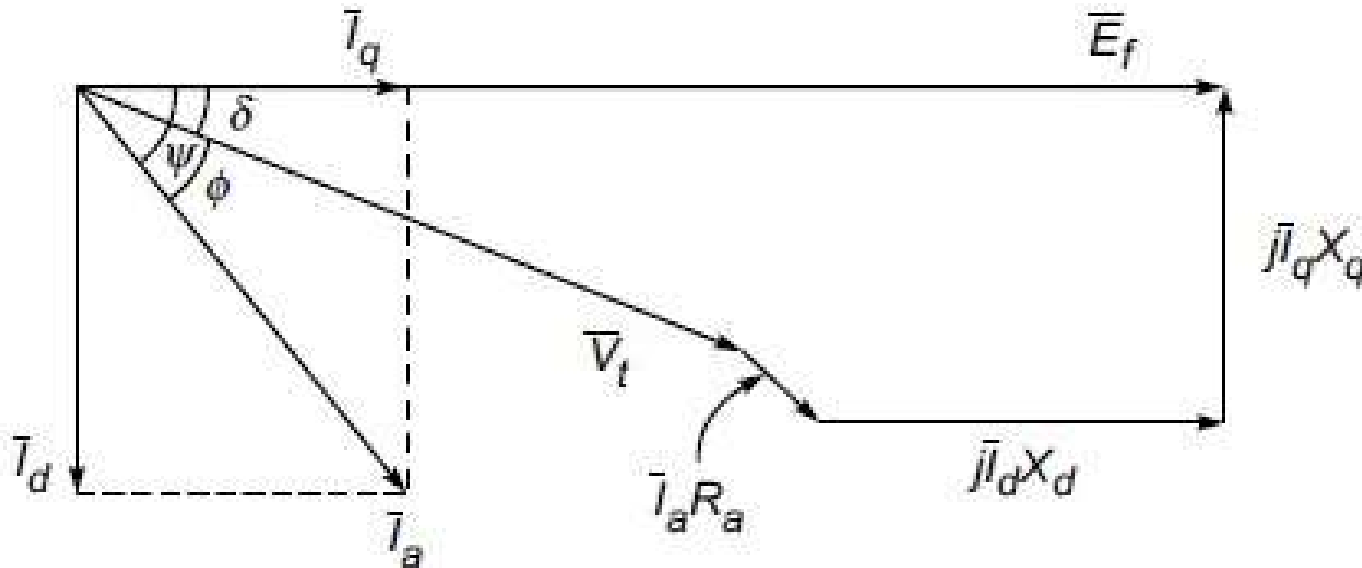
- ❖ Two mmfs act on the d-axis of a salient-pole synchronous machine i.e. field m.m.f. and armature m.m.f. whereas only one m.m.f., i.e. armature mmf acts on the q-axis, because field mmf has no component in the q-axis.
- ❖ The magnetic reluctance is low along the poles and high between the poles. The above facts form the basis of the two-reaction theory proposed by Blondel
 - (i) armature current I_a can be resolved into two components i.e. I_d perpendicular to E and I_q along E
 - (ii) armature reactance has two components i.e. d-axis armature reactance X_{ad} associated with I_d and q-axis armature reactance X_{aq} linked with I_q .

If we include the armature leakage reactance X_l which is the same on both axes, we get: **Direct axis synchronous reactance $X_d = X_{ad} + X_l$**
and **Quadrature axis synchronous reactance $X_q = X_{aq} + X_l$**

Since reluctance on the q-axis is higher, owing to the larger air-gap, hence,

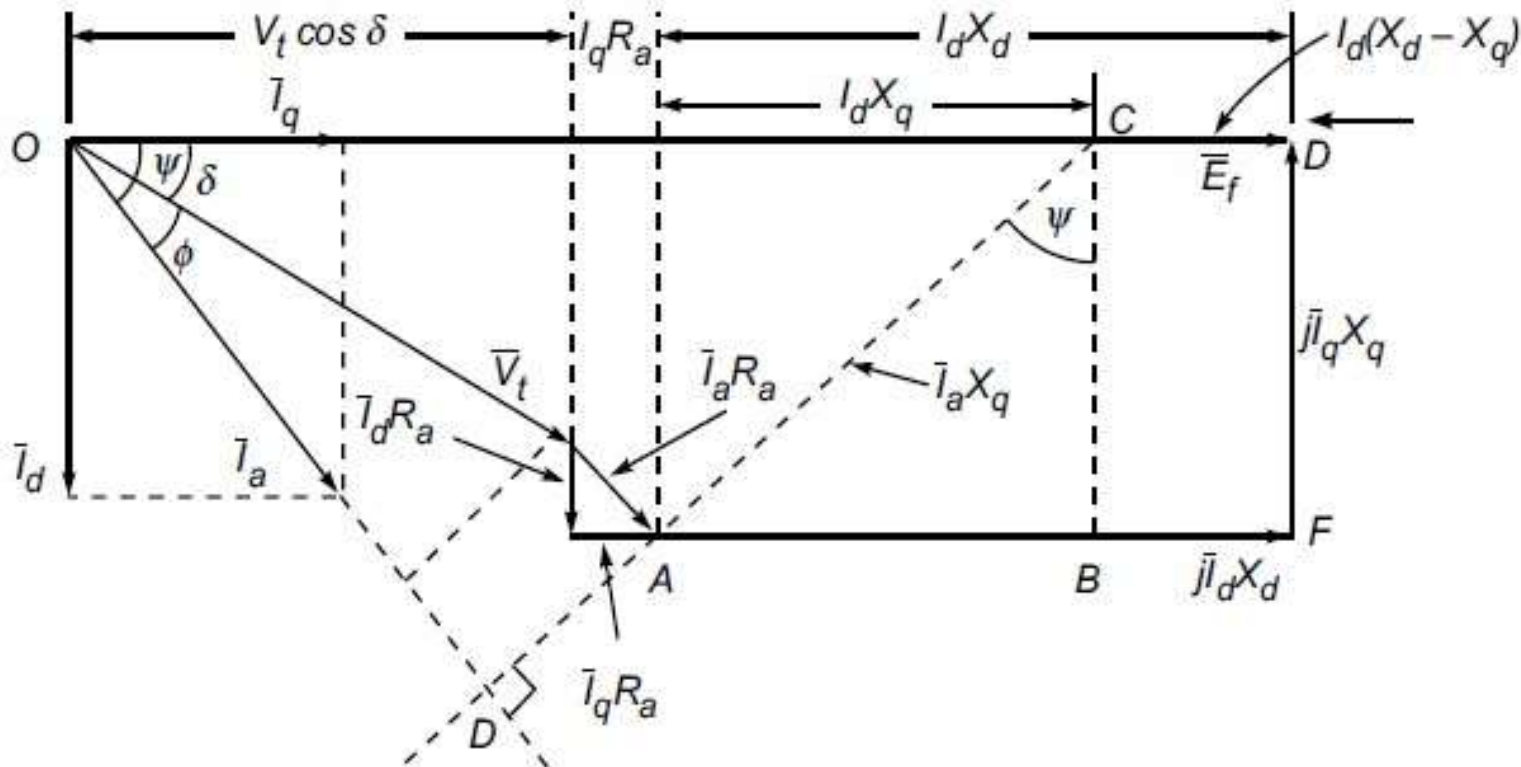
$$X_{aq} < X_{ad} \text{ or } X_q < X_d \text{ or } X_d > X_q$$

Phasor Diagram of Salient Pole Machine



- ❖ Armature current I_a is resolved into two components i.e. I_d and I_q
- ❖ Currents I_d and I_q causes voltage drops $jI_d X_d$ and $jI_q X_q$
- ❖ $jI_d X_d$ and $jI_q X_q$ leads I_d and I_q by 90°
- ❖ Armature resistance drop $I_a R_a$ is drawn parallel to I_a
- ❖ Vector for the drop $I_d X_d$ is drawn perpendicular to I_d whereas that for $I_q X_q$ is drawn perpendicular to I_q . ($I_d = I_a \sin \psi$; $I_q = I_a \cos \psi$)
- ❖ $E_0 = V + I_a R_a + jI_d X_d + jI_q X_q$
- ❖ The angle $\Psi = \phi + \delta$ is not known for a given V_t , I_a and ϕ .
- ❖ I_d and I_q cannot be found which are needed to draw the phasor diagram.

Calculation for Phasor Diagram



AC is drawn at 90° to the current phasor I_a and CB is drawn at 90° to E_f .

In $\triangle ODC$: $\angle OCD = 90^\circ - \psi$, $\angle OCB = 90^\circ$, $\angle OCB = 90^\circ$, $\angle ACB = 90^\circ - (90^\circ - \psi) = \psi$

$I_d = I_a \sin \psi$; $I_q = I_a \cos \psi$; hence, $I_a = I_q / \cos \psi$, $I_a R_a \cos \psi = I_q R_a$

$$\text{In } \triangle ABC: \cos \psi = \frac{BC}{AC} = \frac{I_q X_q}{AC} \quad AC = \frac{I_q X_q}{\cos \psi} = I_a X_q \quad AB = I_a X_q \sin \psi = I_d X_q$$

$$CD = BF = I_d (X_d - X_q)$$

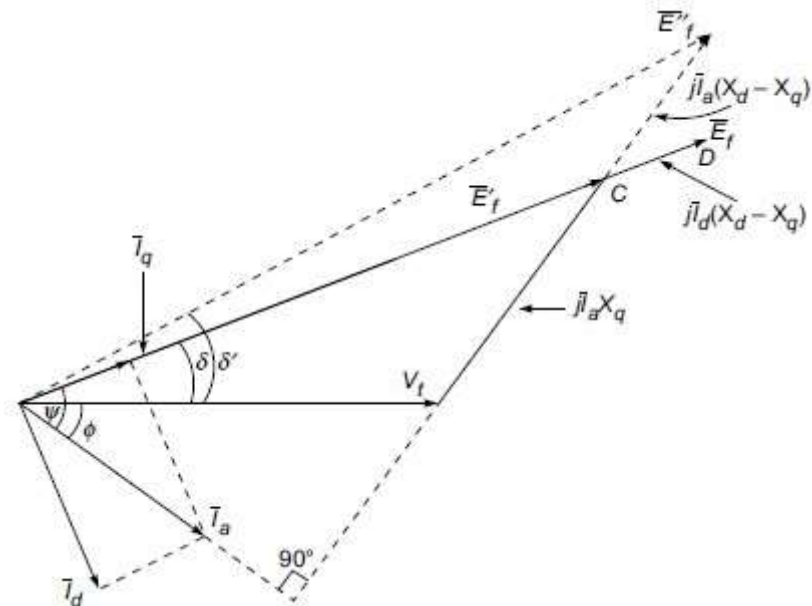
$$E_f = V_t \cos \delta + I_q R_a + I_d X_q + I_d (X_d - X_q) = V_t \cos \delta + I_q R_a + I_d X_d$$

Repeat the problem by ignoring X_q and assuming $X_s = X_d$.

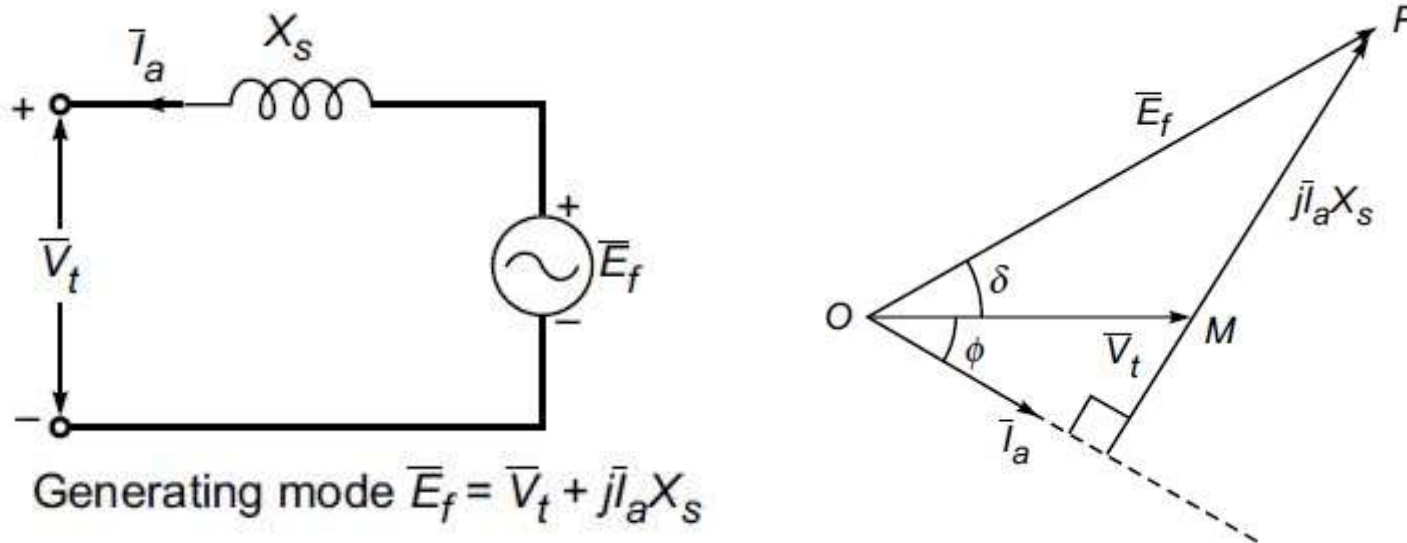
$$\begin{aligned}\bar{E}'_f &= \bar{V}_t + j\bar{I}_a X_q \\ &= 1 + j1 \angle -36.9^\circ \times 0.5 = 1 + 0.5 \angle 53.1^\circ \\ &= 1.30 + j0.40 = 1.30 \angle 17.1^\circ \text{ pu}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{E}_f'' &= \bar{V}_t + j \bar{I}_a X_d \\ &= 1 + j 1 \angle -36.9^\circ \times 0.8 \\ &= 1.48 + j 0.64 = 1.61 \angle 23.4^\circ \\ E_f'' &= 1.61 \text{ pu}, \delta' = 23.4^\circ\end{aligned}$$

$$\bar{E}_f = \bar{E}'_f + CD = 1.36 + 0.243 = 1.60 \text{ pu}$$



Power Angle Characteristics (P vs δ): Non-salient Pole



- ❖ Fig. above shows the circuit diagrams and phasor diagrams of a synchronous machine in generating mode
- ❖ The machine is connected to infinite bus-bars of voltage V_t .
- ❖ It is easily observed from the phasor diagrams that in generating mode, the excitation emf E_f leads V_t by angle δ .
- ❖ $\angle OMP = 180 - (90 - \phi) = 90 + \phi$
- ❖ From the phasor triangle OMP: $OP / (\sin \angle OMP) = MP / (\sin \angle MOP)$

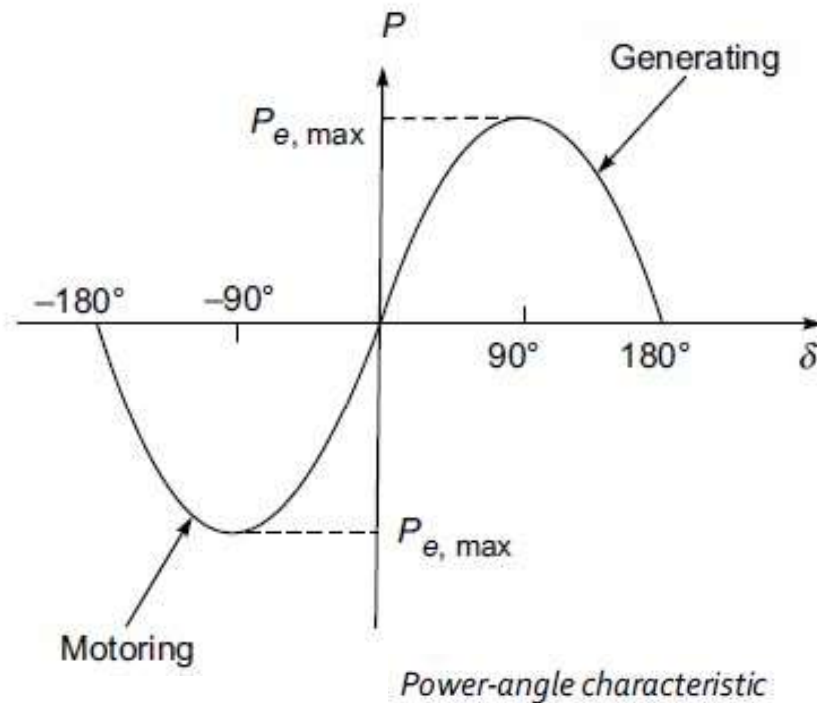
$$\frac{E_f}{\sin(90 \pm \phi)} = \frac{I_a X_s}{\sin \delta}; \begin{matrix} (90^\circ + \phi), \text{ generating} \\ (90^\circ - \phi), \text{ motoring} \end{matrix}$$

$$I_a \cos \phi = \frac{E_f}{X_s} \sin \delta$$

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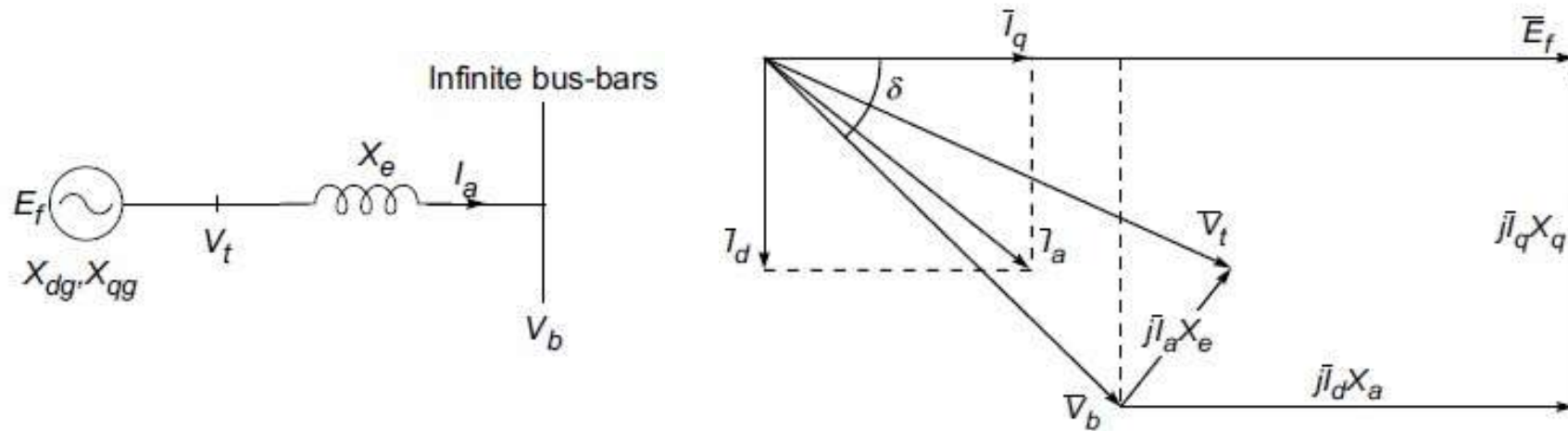
❖ Multiplying both sides by V_t : $V_t I_a \cos \phi = \frac{V_t E_f}{X_s} \sin \delta$

$$P_e = \frac{V_t E_f}{X_s} \sin \delta$$



- ❖ $P_e = V_t I_a \cos \phi$ = electrical power exchanged with the bus-bars
- ❖ δ = Angle between E_f and V_t and is called the power angle
- ❖ The relationship of P_e vs δ is known as the power-angle characteristic of the machine and is plotted for given V_t and E_f .

Power Angle Characteristics (P vs δ): Salient Pole



- ❖ Fig. above shows the one-line diagram of a salient pole synchronous machine connected to infinite bus bar of voltage V_b through a line of series reactance X_e .
- ❖ The total d- and q-axis reactance are: $X_d = X_{dg} + X_e$ & $X_q = X_{qg} + X_e$
- ❖ From phasor diagram

$$P_e = I_d V_b \sin \delta + I_q V_b \cos \delta$$

$$I_d = \frac{E_f - V_b \cos \delta}{X_d}$$

$$I_q = \frac{V_b \sin \delta}{X_q}$$

Power Angle Characteristics (P vs δ): Salient Pole

$$P_e = \frac{E_f V_b}{X_d} \sin \delta + \underbrace{V_b^2 \frac{X_d - X_q}{2X_d X_q} \sin 2\delta}_{\text{Reluctance power}}$$

- ✓ The second term in above Eq. is known as the reluctance power.
- ✓ The reluctance power varies as $\sin 2\delta$ with a maximum value at $\delta = 45^\circ$.
- ✓ This term is independent of field excitation and would be present even if the field is unexcited

