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## **Transformers**

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# The ideal transformer model Hypothesis

- a) Flux varies **sinusoidally** in the core

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## Ideal transformer:

- b) **Permeability  $\mu$**  in the core is **infinite**;
- c) **The flux is entirely confined into the core** and links all of the turns of both coils (or windings)
- d) **Core losses are zero** (electrical conductivity of the magnetic core is zero)
- e) **Winding resistances are zero** (Electrical conductivity of the windings is infinite)

A transformer is a static electrical machine made by of two (or more) coils (or windings) placed so that they are linked by the same magnetic flux.

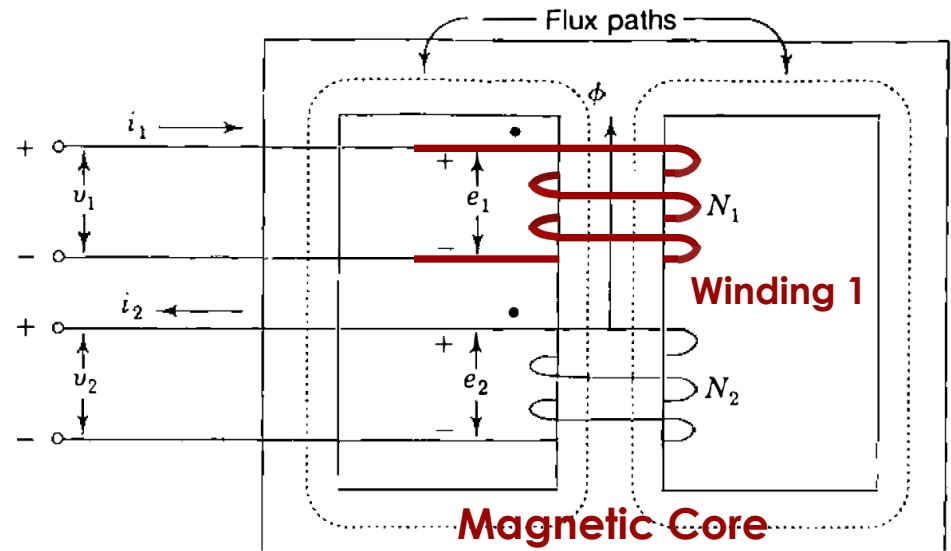


Figure 1.1 – Two-winding transformer.

# The ideal transformer model

- Hypothesis **(b)**, **(c)** and **(d)** → The flux  $\phi$  that links winding 1 is the same that links winding 2 (i.e., there is **no leakage of the flux**)
- Winding resistances are zero **(e)** → **the voltages  $e_1$  and  $e_2$  induced by the changing flux must equal the terminal voltages  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  (Faraday's law).**

$$v_1 = e_1 = N_1 \frac{d\phi}{dt} \quad (1.1)$$

$$v_2 = e_2 = N_2 \frac{d\phi}{dt} \quad (1.2)$$

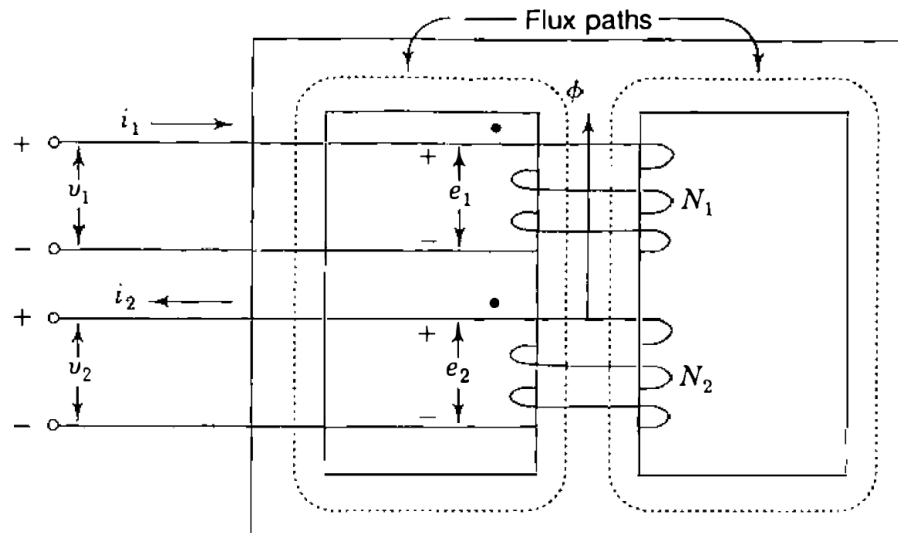


Figure 1.1 – Two-winding transformer.

# The ideal transformer model

- Flux varies sinusoidally in the core (**a**) → phasor representation of voltages:

$$v_1 \xrightarrow{j\omega} \bar{V}_1, v_2 \xrightarrow{j\omega} \bar{V}_2, e_1 \xrightarrow{j\omega} \bar{E}_1, e_2 \xrightarrow{j\omega} \bar{E}_2$$

- Dividing Eq. (1.1) by (1.2) written in the frequency domain, we obtain:

$$\frac{|\bar{V}_1|}{|\bar{V}_2|} = \frac{|\bar{E}_1|}{|\bar{E}_2|} = \frac{N_1}{N_2}$$

(1.3)

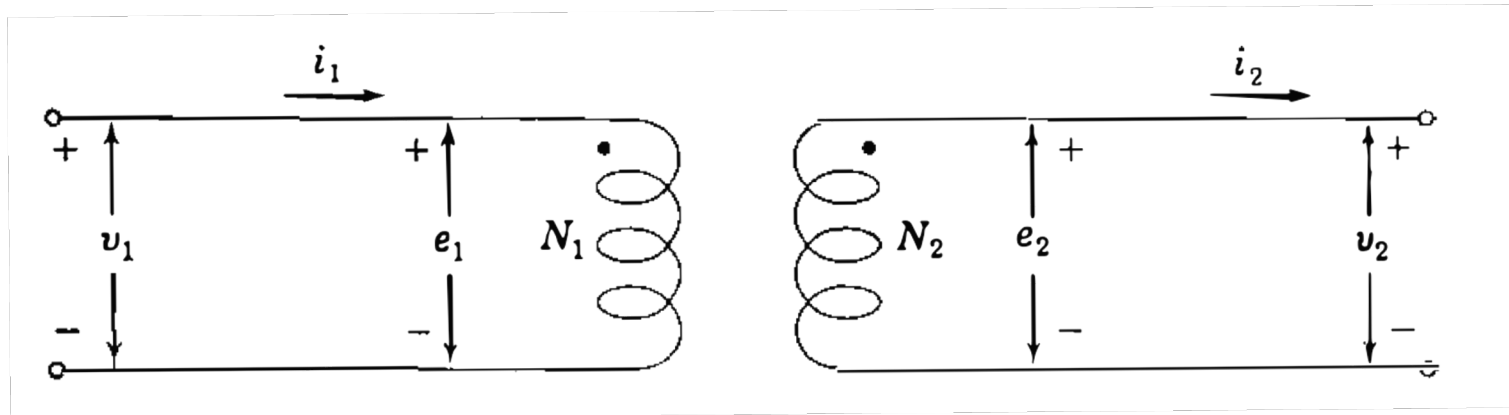


Figure 1.2 – Schematics representation of an **ideal** two winding transformer

# The ideal transformer model

- By applying Ampère's law ( $\oint_{\ell} H \cdot dl = \iint_S J \cdot dS$ ), where  $H$  is the magnetic field strength and  $J$  is the current density, around each of the closed paths  $\ell$  of flux shown by dotted lines in Fig. 1.1 and the corresponding surface  $S$  we obtain:

$$\oint H \cdot dl = N_1 i_1 - N_2 i_2 \quad (1.4)$$

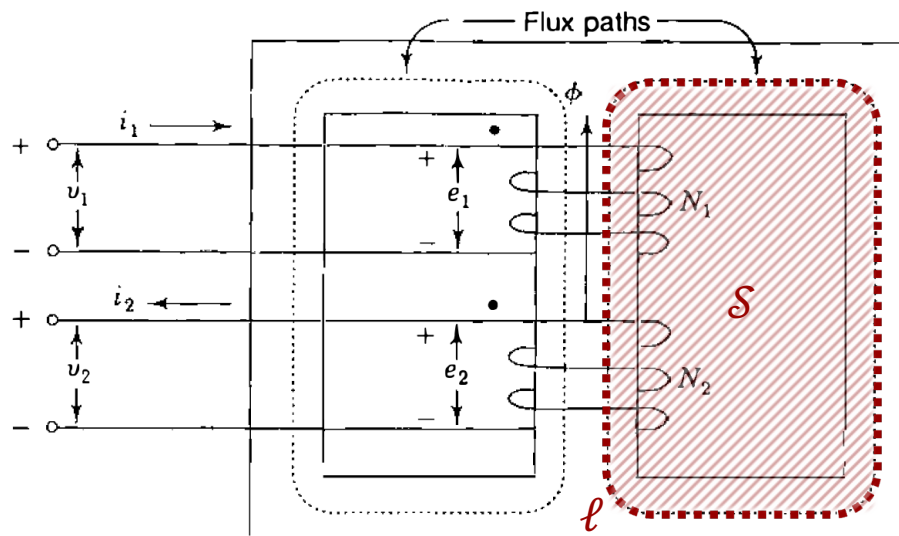


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- Thanks to the hypothesis of infinite permeability (b), it is possible to say that  $\oint_{\ell} \mathbf{H} \cdot d\mathbf{l} = 0$ . If this were not true, flux density (being equal to  $\mu\mathbf{H}$ ) would be infinite. As a consequence, converting the currents to phasor form Eq. 1.4 becomes:

$$0 = N_1 \bar{I}_1 - N_2 \bar{I}_2 \quad (1.5)$$

$$\boxed{\frac{|\bar{I}_1|}{|\bar{I}_2|} = \frac{N_2}{N_1}} \quad (1.6)$$

*Note that  $I_1$  and  $I_2$  are in phase if we choose the current to be like in Figure 1.1, or 1.2. If the direction chosen for either current is reversed, they are  $180^\circ$  out of phase.*

# The ideal transformer model

- The transformer winding across which an impedance or another load may be connected is called the **secondary winding**, and any circuit elements connected to this winding are said to be on the **secondary side\* of the transformer**.
- The winding which is toward the source of energy is called the **primary winding** on the **primary side\***.
- If an impedance  $Z_2$  is connected across winding 2 of Figs. 1.1 or 1.2 we get:

$$\bar{Z}_2 = \frac{\bar{V}_2}{\bar{I}_2} \quad (1.7)$$

- By substituting for  $V_2$  and  $I_2$  the values found in Eqs. (1.3) and (1.6)

$$\bar{Z}_2 = \frac{\left(\frac{N_2}{N_1}\right)\bar{V}_1}{\left(\frac{N_1}{N_2}\right)\bar{I}_1} = \left(\frac{N_2}{N_1}\right)^2 \frac{\bar{V}_1}{\bar{I}_1} = \left(\frac{N_2}{N_1}\right)^2 \bar{Z}'_2 \quad (1.8)$$

Where  $\bar{Z}'_2$  is the equivalent impedance seen by the primary winding  $\bar{Z}'_2 = \frac{\bar{V}_1}{\bar{I}_1}$

*\* In the power system energy often will flow in either direction through a transformer and the designation of primary and secondary loses its meaning.*

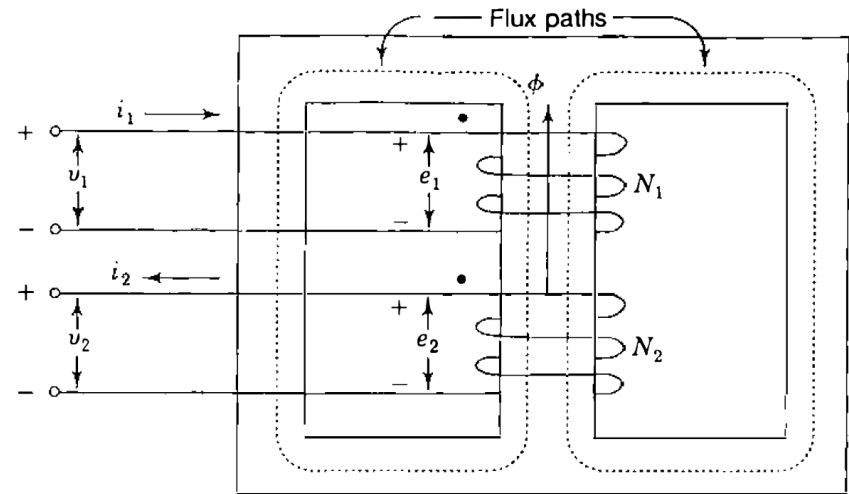


# The ideal transformer model

## Summary

### Hypothesis:

- Flux varies **sinusoidally** in the core
- **Ideal transformer**



### Main equations:

$$\frac{|\bar{V}_1|}{|\bar{V}_2|} = \frac{N_1}{N_2} \quad (1.3)$$

$$\frac{|\bar{I}_1|}{|\bar{I}_2|} = \frac{N_2}{N_1} \quad (1.6)$$

**Power balance:** it is also worth noting that the complex power input to the primary winding equals the complex power output from the secondary winding since we are considering an ideal transformer. In fact:

$$\bar{S}_1 = \bar{V}_1 \bar{I}_1 = \frac{N_1}{N_2} \bar{V}_2 \cdot \frac{N_2}{N_1} \bar{I}_2 = \bar{V}_2 \bar{I}_2 = \bar{S}_2 \quad (1.9)$$

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## Hypothesis

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**Permeability**  $\mu$  in the core **is infinite**;

**The flux is confined to the core** and links all of the turns of both windings

**Core losses are zero**  
(Electrical conductivity of the core is zero)

**Winding resistances are zero**

### STUDY CASE:

**Permeability**  $\mu$  in the core **is finite**;

**The flux is not confined to the core.** Not all the flux linking one of the windings links the other windings

**Core losses are zero**  
(Electrical conductivity of the core is zero)

**Winding resistances is present**

### Real transformer:

**Permeability**  $\mu$  in the core **is finite**;

**The flux is not confined to the core.** Not all the flux linking one of the windings links the other windings

**Core losses are occurring**

**Winding resistances is present**

# Magnetically coupled coils

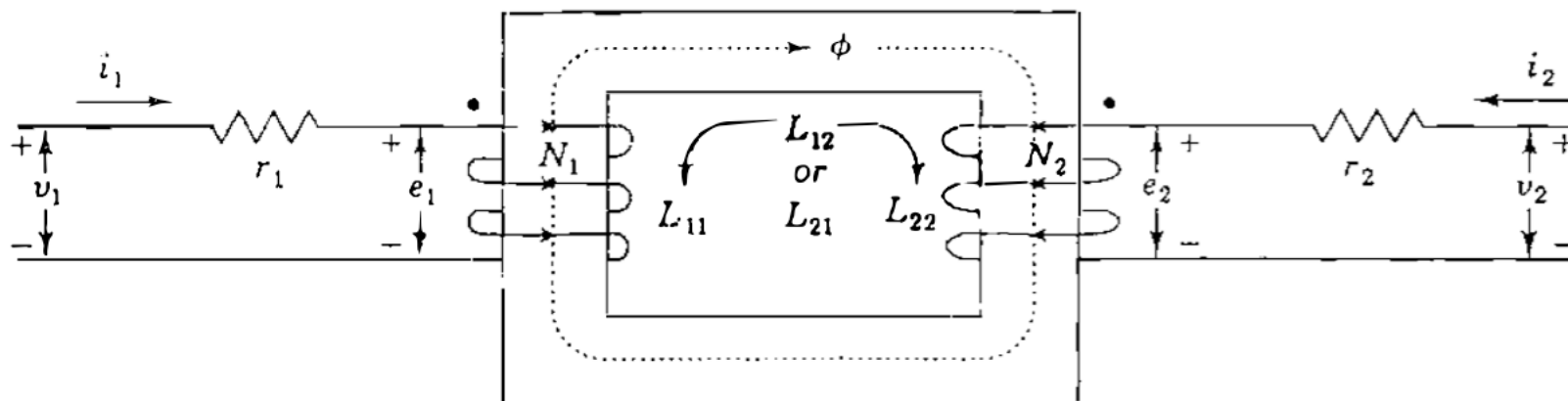
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In Fig. 1.3 the direction of current  $i_2$  is chosen to produce flux (according to the right-hand rule) in the same sense as  $i_1$  when both currents are either positive or negative. This choice gives positive coefficients in the equations which follow.

**$X_{ab}$**  expresses:

- quantity  $X$  (flux or inductance)
- of coil  $a$
- due to current  $i_b$

**Figure 1.3 (a):**  
Mutual flux due to currents  $i_1$  and  $i_2$

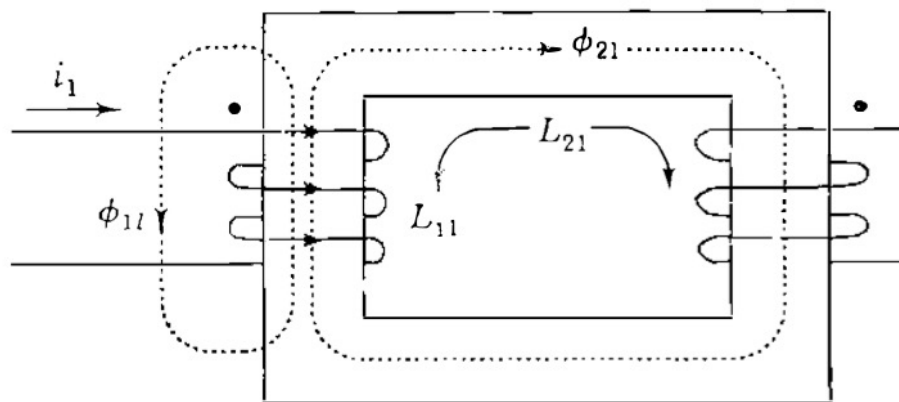


(a)

# Magnetically coupled coils

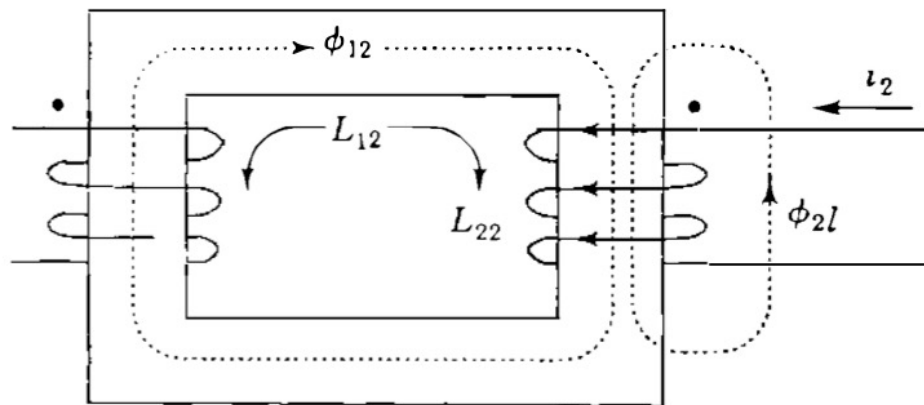
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In Fig. 1.3 (b) and (c) it is shown the effect of each of the two currents, respectively  $i_1$  and  $i_2$ , acting alone.



**Figure 1.3 (b):**  
Leakage flux  $\phi_{1l}$   
and mutual flux  $\phi_{21}$   
due to  $i_1$  alone

**Figure 1.3 (c):**  
Leakage flux  $\phi_{2l}$   
and mutual flux  $\phi_{12}$   
due to  $i_2$  alone

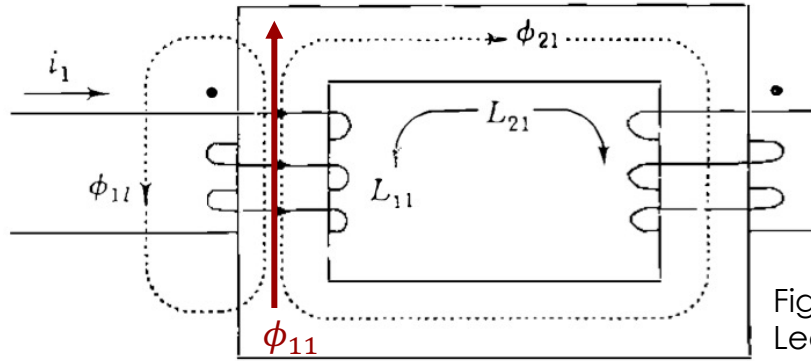


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# Magnetically coupled coils

## $i_1$ acting alone



$$\phi_{11} = \phi_{21} + \phi_{1l}$$

Figure 1.3 (b):  
Leakage flux  $\phi_{1l}$  and mutual flux  $\phi_{21}$  due to  $i_1$  alone

The current  $i_1$  acting alone produces flux  $\phi_{11}$  which has a mutual component  $\phi_{21}$  linking both coils and a small leakage component  $\phi_{1l}$  linking only coil one. The flux linkages of coil 1 due to current  $i_1$  acting alone are given by:

$$\lambda_{11} = N_1 \phi_{11} = L_{11} i_1 \quad (1.10)$$

where  $N_1$  is the number of turns and  $L_{11}$  is the self-inductance of coil 1.

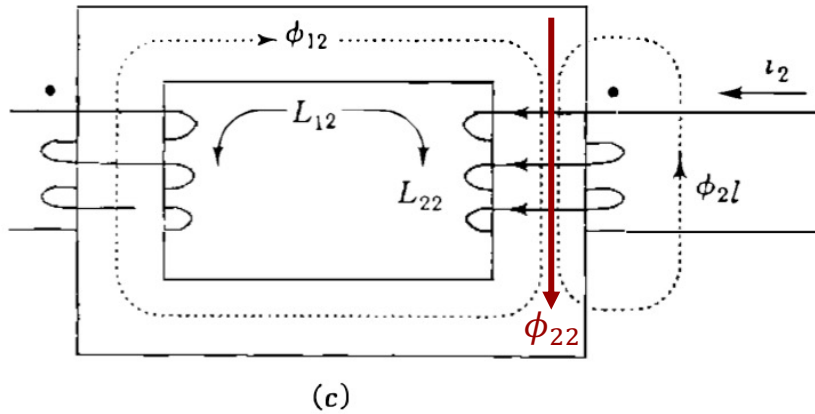
Under the same condition of  $i_1$  acting alone the flux linkages of coil 2 are given by:

$$\lambda_{21} = N_2 \phi_{21} = L_{21} i_1 \quad (1.11)$$

where  $N_2$  is the number of turns and  $L_{21}$  is the mutual-inductance between the coils.

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## $i_2$ acting alone



$$\phi_{22} = \phi_{12} + \phi_{2l}$$

Figure 1.3 (c):  
Leakage flux  $\phi_{2l}$  and mutual flux  $\phi_{12}$  due to  $i_2$  alone

The current  $i_2$  acting alone produces flux  $\phi_{22}$  which has a mutual component  $\phi_{12}$  linking both coils and a small leakage component  $\phi_{2l}$  linking only coil one. The flux linkages of coil 2 due to current  $i_2$  acting alone are given by:

$$\lambda_{22} = N_2 \phi_{22} = L_{22} i_2 \quad (1.12)$$

where  $N_2$  is the number of turns and  $L_{22}$  is the self-inductance of coil 2.

Under the same condition of  $i_2$  acting alone the flux linkages of coil 1 are given by:

$$\lambda_{12} = N_1 \phi_{12} = L_{12} i_2 \quad (1.13)$$

where  $N_1$  is the number of turns and  $L_{12}$  is the mutual-inductance between the coils. Please note that mutual inductance is a single reciprocal property of the coils, and so  $L_{12} = L_{21} > 0$  because of  $i_1$  and  $i_2$ .

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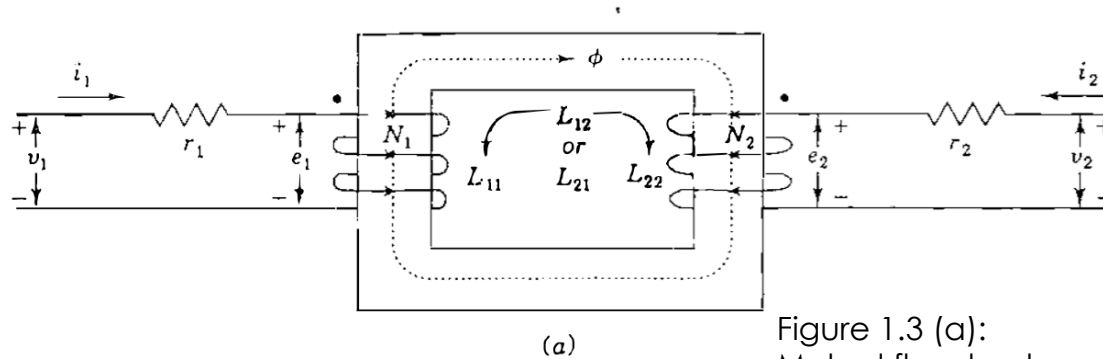


Figure 1.3 (a):  
Mutual flux due to currents  $i_1$  and  $i_2$

When both currents act together, the flux linkages add (the transformer is supposed, for the moment, to be linear) to give:

$$\lambda_1 = \lambda_{11} + \lambda_{12} = L_{11}i_1 + L_{12}i_2 \quad (1.14)$$

$$\lambda_2 = \lambda_{22} + \lambda_{21} = L_{21}i_1 + L_{22}i_2 \quad (1.15)$$

It is now possible to rewrite Eq. (1.1), expressing Faraday's law, but considering a winding resistance greater than 0 :

$$v_1 = r_1 i_1 + \frac{d\lambda_1}{dt} = r_1 i_1 + L_{11} \frac{di_1}{dt} + L_{12} \frac{di_2}{dt} \quad (1.16)$$

$$v_2 = r_2 i_2 + \frac{d\lambda_2}{dt} = r_2 i_2 + L_{21} \frac{di_1}{dt} + L_{22} \frac{di_2}{dt} \quad (1.17)$$

where  $N_1 \frac{d\phi}{dt} = \frac{d\lambda}{dt}$ , namely the flux linkages.



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The obtained equations are:

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These can be modified as follow:

$$v_1 = r_1 i_1 + \frac{d\lambda_1}{dt} = r_1 i_1 + L_{11} \frac{di_1}{dt} - L_{12} \frac{N_1}{N_2} \frac{di_1}{dt} + L_{12} \frac{N_1}{N_2} \frac{di_1}{dt} + L_{12} \frac{di_2}{dt} \quad (1.16)$$

$$v_2 = r_2 i_2 + \frac{d\lambda_2}{dt} = r_2 i_2 + L_{22} \frac{di_2}{dt} - L_{21} \frac{N_2}{N_1} \frac{di_2}{dt} + L_{21} \frac{N_2}{N_1} \frac{di_2}{dt} + L_{21} \frac{di_1}{dt} \quad (1.17)$$

If we now consider  $a = N_1/N_2$

$$v_1 = r_1 i_1 + \frac{d}{dt} [(L_{11} - L_{12}a)i_1 + L_{12}ai_1 + L_{12}i_2]$$

$$v_2 = r_2 i_2 + \frac{d}{dt} [(L_{22} - L_{21}/a)i_2 + L_{21}/ai_2 + L_{12}i_1]$$

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$$\begin{aligned}v_1 &= r_1 i_1 + \frac{d}{dt} [(L_{11} - L_{12}a)i_1 + L_{12}ai_1 + L_{12}i_2] \\v_2 &= r_2 i_2 + \frac{d}{dt} [(L_{22} - L_{21}/a)i_2 + L_{12}/ai_2 + L_{12}i_1]\end{aligned}$$

The quantity  $(L_{11} - aL_{12})$  is the **leakage inductance**  $L_{1l}$  (by knowing that  $\phi_{11} = \phi_{21} + \phi_{1l}$ ) and that  $aL_{12}$  is the **magnetizing inductance** associated with the mutual flux  $\phi_{21}$  linking the coils due to  $i_1$

$$\begin{aligned}(L_{11} - aL_{12}) &= L_{1l} = \text{Leakage inductance 1} \\(L_{22} - L_{21}/a) &= L_{2l} = \text{Leakage inductance 2}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}v_1 &= r_1 i_1 + \frac{d}{dt} \left[ L_{1l} i_1 + N_1 \left( \frac{L_{12}}{N_2} i_1 + \frac{L_{21}}{N_1} i_2 \right) \right] \\v_2 &= r_2 i_2 + \frac{d}{dt} \left[ L_{2l} i_2 + N_2 \left( \frac{L_{12}}{N_1} i_2 + \frac{L_{21}}{N_2} i_1 \right) \right]\end{aligned}$$

Note that  $L_{21} = L_{12} = \frac{\lambda_{12}}{i_2} = \frac{\lambda_{21}}{i_1} = \frac{N_2 \phi_{21}}{i_1} = \frac{N_1 \phi_{12}}{i_2}$  from (1.10) and (1.13)

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$$v_1 = r_1 i_1 + \frac{d}{dt} \left[ L_{1l} i_1 + N_1 \left( \frac{L_{12}}{N_2} i_1 + \frac{L_{21}}{N_1} i_2 \right) \right]$$

$$v_2 = r_2 i_2 + \frac{d}{dt} \left[ L_{2l} i_2 + N_2 \left( \frac{L_{12}}{N_1} i_2 + \frac{L_{21}}{N_2} i_1 \right) \right] \text{ by referring this to the primary we have:}$$

$$v_2 a = r_2 i_2 a + \frac{d}{dt} \left[ L_{2l} i_2 a + N_2 a \left( \frac{L_{12}}{N_1} i_2 + \frac{L_{21}}{N_2} i_1 \right) \right]$$

$$v_2 a = r_2 i_2 \frac{N_1}{N_2} \frac{N_2}{N_1} \frac{N_1}{N_2} + \frac{d}{dt} \left[ L_{2l} i_2 \frac{N_1}{N_2} \frac{N_2}{N_1} \frac{N_1}{N_2} + N_2 \frac{N_1}{N_2} \left( \frac{L_{12}}{N_1} i_2 + \frac{L_{21}}{N_2} i_1 \right) \right]$$

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$$v_2 a = (a^2 r_2) \frac{i_2}{a} + \frac{d}{dt} \left[ (a^2 L_{2l}) \frac{i_2}{a} + N_1 \left( \frac{L_{12}}{N_1} i_2 + \frac{L_{21}}{N_2} i_1 \right) \right]$$

Now, the terms in the red squares, common to both equations, are equal to:

$$N_1 \left( \frac{L_{12}}{N_1} i_2 + \frac{L_{21}}{N_2} i_1 \right) = a L_{21} (i_1 + i_2/a)$$

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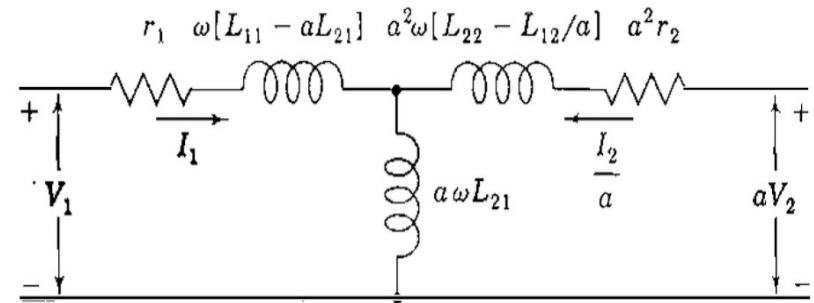
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$$N_1 \left( \frac{L_{12}}{N_1} i_2 + \frac{L_{21}}{N_2} i_1 \right) = a L_{21} (i_1 + i_2/a)$$

$$v_1 = r_1 i_1 + \frac{d}{dt} [L_{1l} i_1 + a L_{21} (i_1 + i_2/a)]$$

$$v_2 a = (a^2 r_2) \frac{i_2}{a} + \frac{d}{dt} \left[ (a^2 L_{2l}) \frac{i_2}{a} + a L_{21} (i_1 + i_2/a) \right]$$

$$v_2' = r_2' i_2' + \frac{d}{dt} [L_{2l}' i_2' + a L_{21} (i_1 + i_2/a)]$$



Note that the notation of the equations refers to time-domain quantities while the one in the figure refers to frequency-domain quantities (i.e. phasors)

# Magnetically coupled coils

An important equivalent circuit, **referred to the primary winding**, for the mutually coupled coils is shown in Fig. 1.4.

All the quantities of the secondary winding are referred to the primary in analogy with Eq. (1.8). It is possible, by writing Kirchhoff's voltage equation around the path of each of the currents  $I_1$  and  $\frac{I_2}{a}$ , to obtain the two fundamental Eq.(1.18) and (1.19).

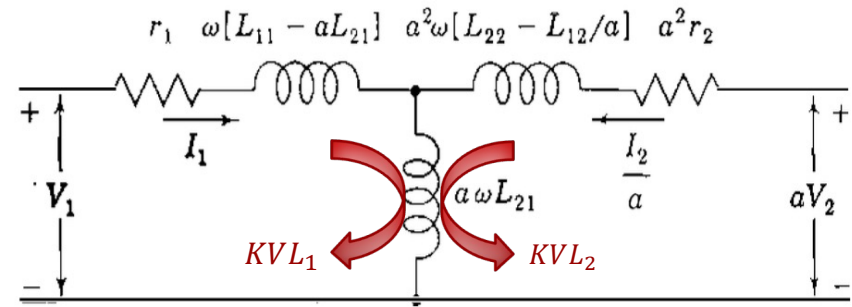


Figure 1.4: An AC equivalent circuit with secondary current and voltage redefined and  $a = N_1/N_2$ .

$$KVL_1: \quad \bar{V}_1 = \bar{I}_1 r_1 + \bar{I}_1 (j\omega L_{11}) - a \bar{I}_1 (j\omega L_{21}) + a (j\omega L_{21}) \left( \bar{I}_1 + \bar{I}_2/a \right)$$

$$\boxed{\bar{V}_1 = \bar{I}_1 r_1 + \bar{I}_1 (j\omega L_{11}) + \bar{I}_2 (j\omega L_{21})} \rightarrow \text{Eq. (1.18)}$$

$$KVL_2: \quad a \bar{V}_2 = \left( \frac{\bar{I}_2}{a} \right) a^2 r_2 + \left( \frac{\bar{I}_2}{a} \right) a^2 (j\omega L_{22}) - \left( \frac{\bar{I}_2}{a} \right) a^2 \left( j\omega \frac{L_{12}}{a} \right) + a (j\omega L_{21}) \left( \bar{I}_1 + \frac{\bar{I}_2}{a} \right)$$

$$\bar{V}_2 = \bar{I}_2 r_2 + \bar{I}_2 (j\omega L_{22}) - \bar{I}_2 \left( j\omega \frac{L_{12}}{a} \right) + \bar{I}_2 \left( j\omega \frac{L_{21}}{a} \right) + \bar{I}_1 (j\omega L_{21})$$

$$\boxed{\bar{V}_2 = \bar{I}_2 r_2 + \bar{I}_2 (j\omega L_{22}) + \bar{I}_1 (j\omega L_{21})} \rightarrow \text{Eq. (1.19)}$$

# Magnetically coupled coils

## Summary

### Hypothesis:

- Flux varies **sinusoidally** in the core
- **Real transformer** but neglecting core losses
- Equivalent circuit referred to the **primary** winding

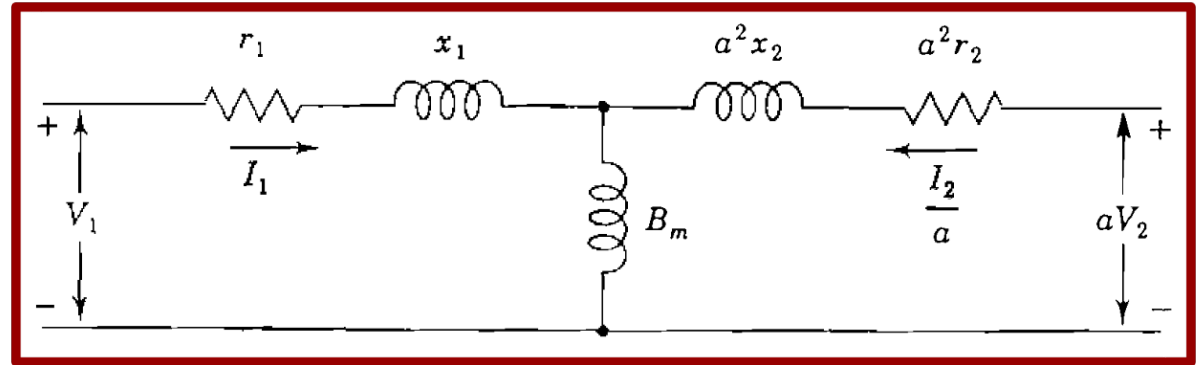


Figure 1.5 The **equivalent circuit** of Fig. 1.4 with inductance parameters renamed as follow:

$$x_1 = \omega(L_{11} - aL_{21}) = \omega L_{1l} = \text{Leakage inductance 1}^*$$

$$x_2 = \omega(L_{22} - L_{21}/a) = \omega L_{2l} = \text{Leakage inductance 2}^*$$

$$B_m = (a\omega L_{21})^{-1} = \text{Shunt magnetizing susceptance}^*$$

### Main equations:

$$\bar{V}_1 = (r_1 + j\omega L_{11})\bar{I}_1 + (j\omega L_{12})\bar{I}_2 \quad (1.18)$$

$$\bar{V}_2 = (j\omega L_{21})\bar{I}_1 + (r_2 + j\omega L_{22})\bar{I}_2 \quad (1.19)$$

\* It is possible to prove that the quantity  $(L_{11} - aL_{21})$  is the leakage inductance  $L_{1l}$  by knowing that  $\phi_{11} = \phi_{21} + \phi_{1l}$  and that  $aL_{21}$  is a magnetizing inductance associated with the mutual flux  $\phi_{21}$  linking the coils due to  $i_1$  since:

$$aL_{21} = \frac{N_1 N_2 \phi_{21}}{N_2 i_1} = \frac{N_1}{i_1} \phi_{21} \quad (1.20)$$

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# The equivalent circuit of a single-phase transformer

A further step has to be done to match the physical characteristics of the practical transformer. In fact, the previous equivalent circuit presents **three main deficiencies**:

- It does not reflect any current or **voltage transformation**,
- It does not provide for **electrical isolation** of the primary from the secondary
- It does not account for the **core losses**.

## Observation#1:

If a sinusoidal voltage is applied to the primary winding of a transformer with the secondary winding open, a small current  $I_E$  called the “exciting current flows”. This current  $I_E$  is composed by the current flowing through the magnetizing susceptance  $B_m$ , called magnetizing current and a **much smaller component which accounts for losses**.

$$\bar{I}_E = \bar{I}_{EM} + \bar{I}_{EL} \quad (1.21)$$

Exciting current=Magnetising current + Losses

*Please note that so far we have been neglected the core losses by stating:  $\bar{I}_E \cong \bar{I}_{EM}$ .*



# The equivalent circuit of a single-phase transformer

## Observation#2:

The core losses occur due to two different phenomena:

- **Hysteresis loss:** cyclic changes of the direction of the flux in the iron require energy which is dissipated as heat. These losses are reduced by the use of certain high grades of alloy steel for the core
- **Eddy-current loss:** circulating currents are induced in the iron due to the changing flux dissipating a power of  $|I|^2 R$ . Eddy-current loss is reduced by building up the core with laminated sheets of steel.

## Observation#3:

The component of  $\bar{I}_{EL}$  that account for the losses leads the magnetizing current  $\bar{I}_{EM}$  by  $90^\circ$ . In the equivalent circuit,  $\bar{I}_E$  is taken fully into account by a conductance  $G_C$  ( $\bar{I}_{EL}$ ) in parallel with the magnetizing susceptance  $B_m$  ( $\bar{I}_{EM}$ ).

# The equivalent circuit of a single-phase transformer

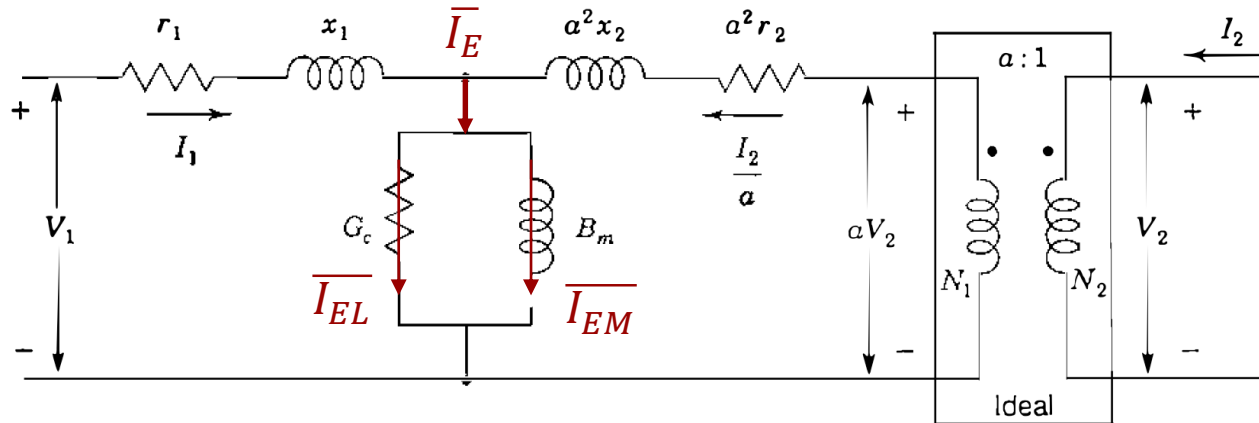


Figure 1.6

Equivalent circuit for a single-phase transformer with an ideal transformer of turns ratio  $a = N_1/N_2$ .

## Main components:

- An ideal transformer provides voltage and current transformation and electrical isolation of the primary from the secondary. Its characteristics are described by Eqs. (1.3) and (1.6).
- The equivalent circuit presented in Fig. 1.5 takes into account a finite permeability of the core (i.e. magnetizing currents  $\bar{I}_{EM}$ ), flux leakages and winding resistances.
- The conductance  $G_c$  represents the core losses

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Starting from Fig. (1.6) we can further simplify the problem by neglecting the exciting current and omitting the ideal transformer. In this case, all impedances and voltages in the part of the circuit connected to the secondary terminals must now be referred to the primary side. The resulting equivalent circuit is shown in Fig. (1.7) where the parameters  $R_1$  and  $X_1$  are defined as follow:

$$R_1 = r_1 + a^2 r_2 \qquad X_1 = x_1 + a^2 x_2 \qquad (1.22)$$

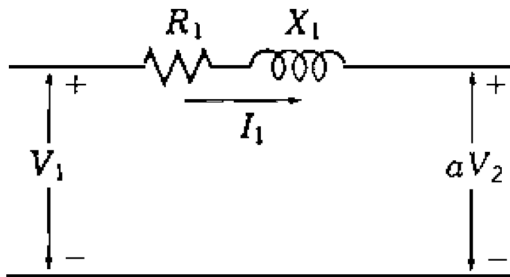


Figure 1.7  
Transformer equivalent circuit with  
magnetizing current neglected

**Voltage regulation** is defined as the difference between the voltage magnitude at the load terminals of the transformer at full load and at no-load in percent of full-load voltage with input voltage held constant. In the form of an equation:

$$\text{Percent regulation} = \frac{|V_{2,NL}| - |V_{2,FL}|}{|V_{2,FL}|} \times 100 \qquad (1.23)$$

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## Hypothesis:

- Flux varies **sinusoidally** in the core
- **Real transformer, considering core losses**
- Equivalent circuit referred to the **primary** winding

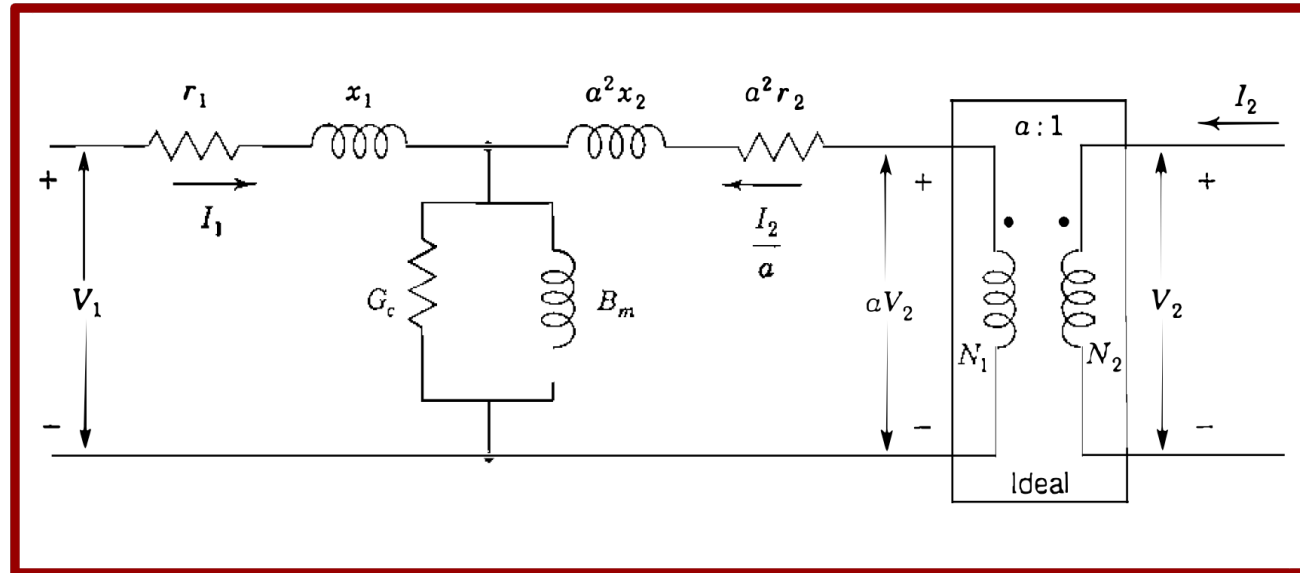


Figure 1.8: **Equivalent circuit** for a single-phase transformer with an ideal transformer with the following parameters:

$a$  = turns ratio  $a$

$r_1$  = winding resistance 1

$r_2$  = winding resistance 2

$x_1 = \omega L_{1l} =$  Leakage inductance 1

$x_2 = \omega L_{2l} =$  Leakage inductance 2

$B_m =$  Shunt magnetizing susceptance

# Simplified equivalent circuit of a single-phase transformer

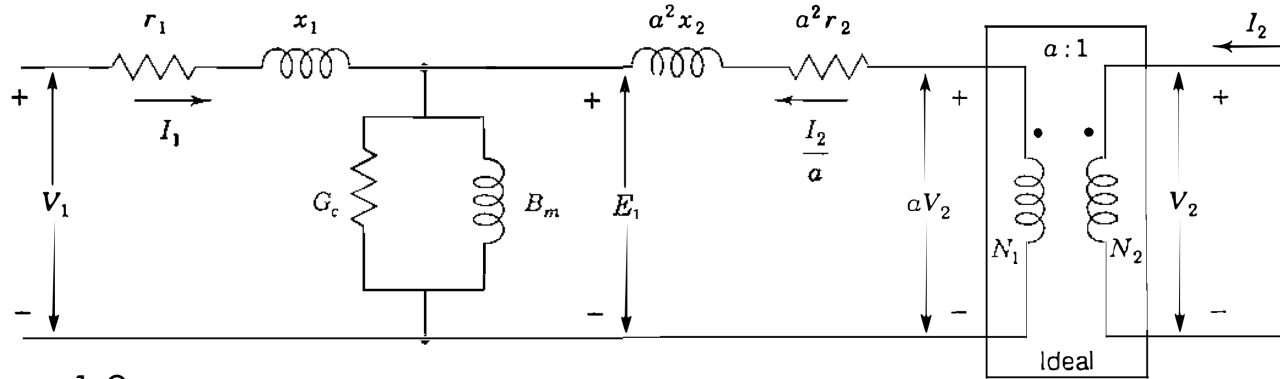


Figure 1.9:

**Equivalent circuit** for a single-phase transformer with an ideal transformer

## Consideration #1:

The voltage drop across  $\bar{z}_1 = r_1 + jx_1$  is very small

## Consequences:

- Under this condition  $\bar{E}_1 \cong \bar{V}_1$
- It is possible to simplify the circuit by moving the impedance  $\bar{z}_1$  on the right so that it results in series with  $a^2x_2$  and  $a^2r_2$
- The new impedance  $\bar{Z}_{cc}$  is calculated as:

$$\bar{Z}_{cc} = \bar{z}_1 + j(a^2x_2) + a^2r_2 \quad (1.24)$$

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The new equivalent circuit, that lies on the hypothesis of small voltage drop across the impedance  $z_1$  is shown in Fig. (1.10)

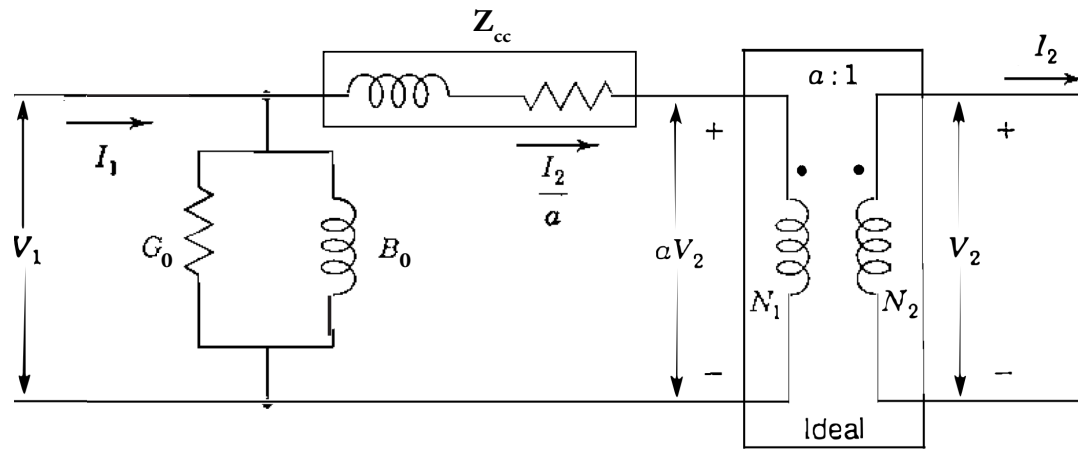


Figure 1.10: **Equivalent circuit** for a single-phase transformer with an ideal transformer (Note that  $G_c$  and  $B_m$  have been re-named into  $G_0$  and  $B_0$  and the sign of  $I_2$  has been changed in order to get positive component in the following equations).

This equivalent circuit is particularly important because **its parameters can be determined by a short circuit test and an open circuit test**. Indeed, if the secondary of the transformer is open ( $I_2 = 0$ ), the current  $I_1$  is flowing just through  $\bar{Y}_0 = G_0 + jB_0$  and if the secondary is short-circuited ( $V_2 = 0$ ), the current  $I_1$  is mainly flowing through  $\bar{Z}_{cc} = \bar{z}_1 + j(a^2x_2) + a^2r_2$

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The equations ruling the equivalent circuit of Fig.(1.11) are the following:

$$\bar{V}_1 = a\bar{V}_2 + \bar{Z}_{cc} \cdot \frac{\bar{I}_2}{a} \quad (1.25)$$

$$\bar{I}_1 = \bar{Y}_0(a\bar{V}_2) + (\bar{Y}_0\bar{Z}_{cc} + 1) \cdot \frac{\bar{I}_2}{a} \quad (1.26)$$

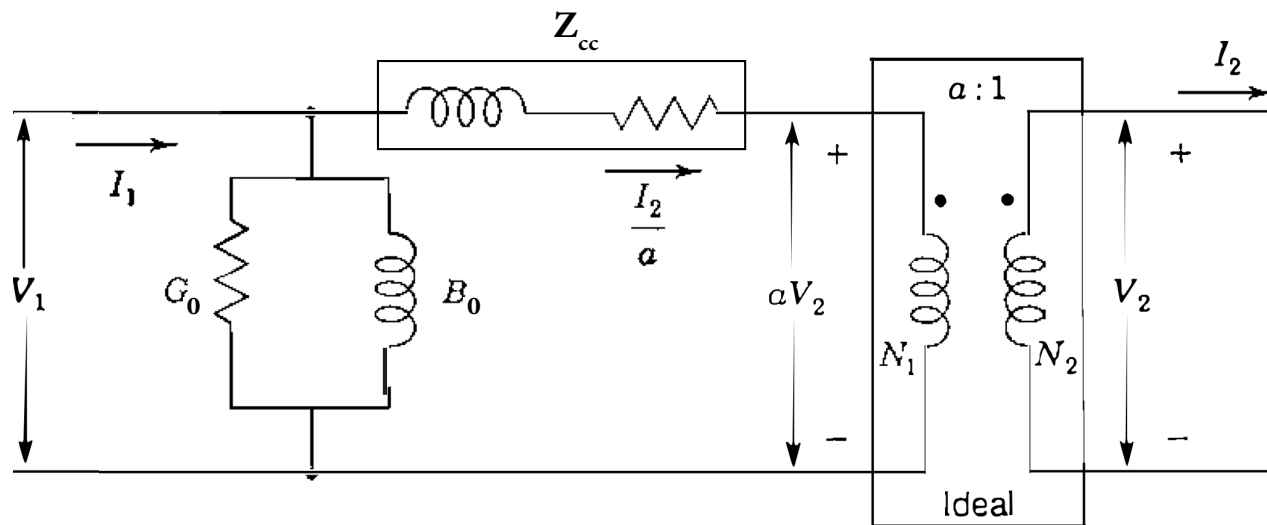


Figure 1.11



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Three identical single-phase transformers may be connected so that the three windings of one voltage rating are  $\Delta$ -connected or Y-connected  
There are many possible connections such as:

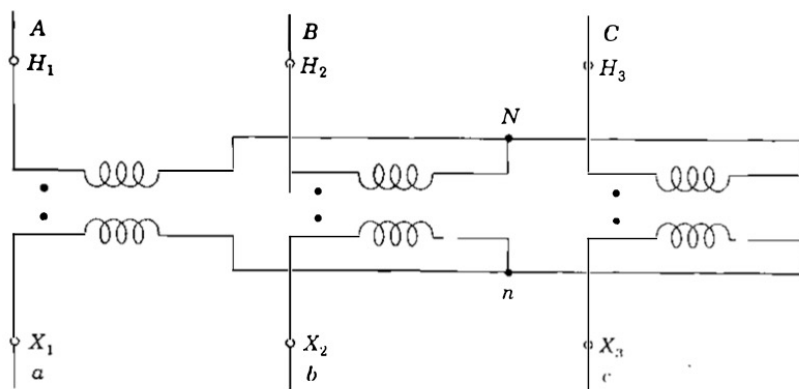
- Y- $\Delta$
- $\Delta$ -Y
- Y-Y
- $\Delta$ - $\Delta$

Instead of using three identical single-phase transformers, a more usual unit is a three phase transformer where all three phases are on the same iron structure

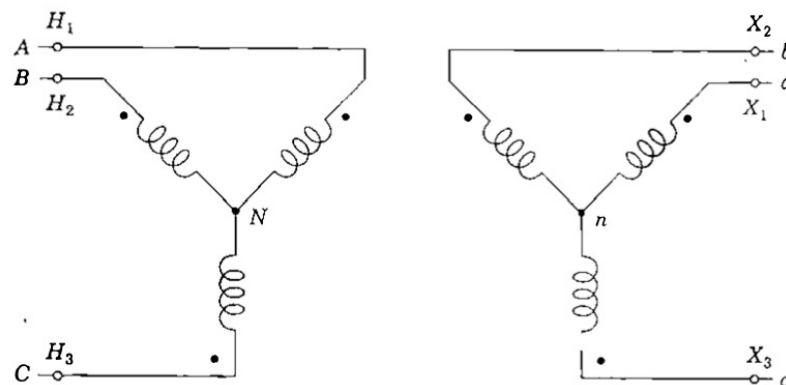
- The **three-phase unit** has the advantage of **requiring less iron** to form the core, and is therefore more economical than three single-phase units and occupies less space.
- **Three single-phase units** have the advantage of **replacement of only one unit of the three-phase bank in case of failure** rather than losing the whole three-phase bank.
- If a failure occurs in a  $\Delta$  -  $\Delta$  bank composed of three separate units, one of the single-phase transformers can be removed and the remaining two will still operate as a three-phase transformer at a reduced kVA. Such an operation is called **open delta**.

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(a) Y-Y connection diagram



(b) Alternate form of connection diagram

Figure 1.12  
Wiring diagrams for Y-Y transformer.

In the following slides:

- Capital letters A, B, and C to identify the phases of the high-voltage windings and
- Lowercase letters a, b, and c for the low-voltage windings.
- The high-voltage terminals of three-phase transformers are marked  $H_1, H_2, H_3$
- The low-voltage terminals are marked  $X_1, X_2, X_3$ .

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## Different connections

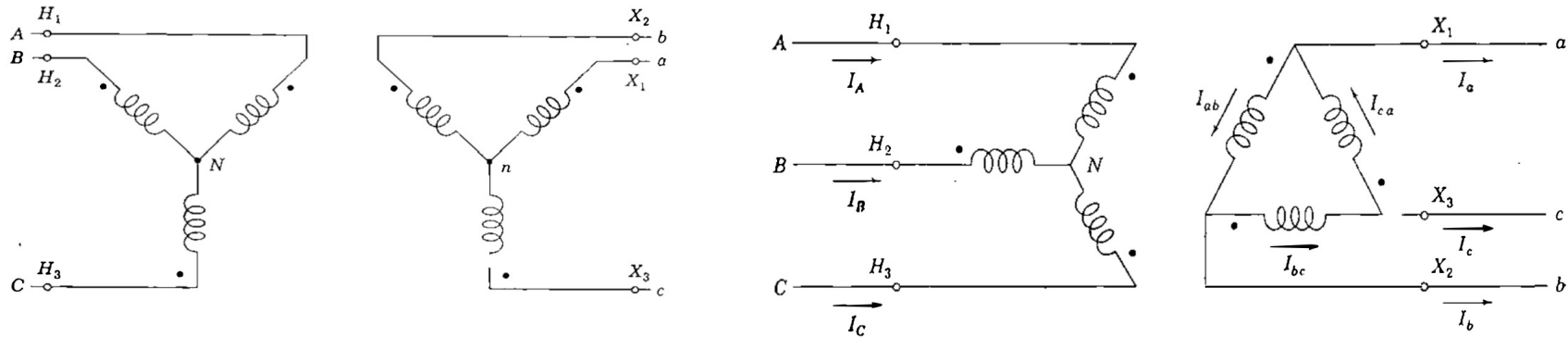


Figure 1.13:

Wiring diagram two three-phase transformers connected Y-Y (left) and Y-Δ (right)

Since it is possible to connect the windings in different configurations, it is important to understand how the **magnetic links** between high and low voltage sides of the transformer are changing.

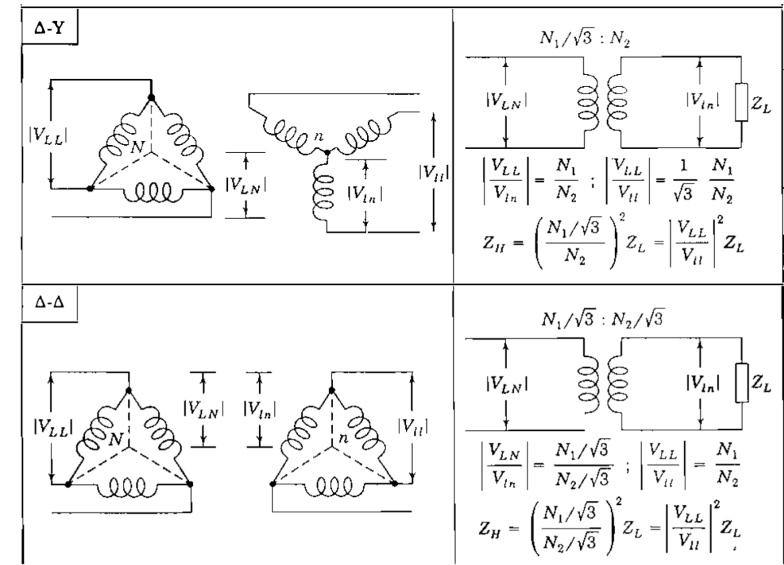
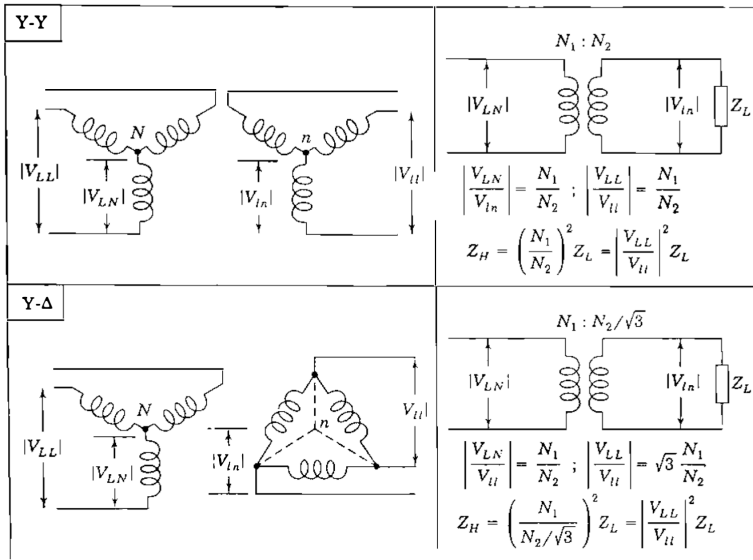
- In Y-Y transformers the markings are such that line-to-neutral HV windings are always magnetically linked with the line-to-neutral LV windings
- In Δ-Δ transformers the markings are such that line-to-line HV windings are always magnetically linked with the line-to-line LV windings
- In Y-Δ transformers the markings are such that line-to-neutral HV windings are always magnetically linked with the line-to-line LV windings
- In Δ-Y transformers the markings are such that line-to-line HV windings are always magnetically linked with the line-to-phase LV windings

In these last two cases the **effective ratio** will not be equal to the turns ratio and a **shift phase** will occur.

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## Effective ratio



The **effective ratio**  $r$  can be defined as the ratio  $r = |\bar{V}_{LL}/\bar{V}_{ll}|$  **between the line-to-line voltages**.

This ratio is not equal to the **turns ratio**  $a = N_1/N_2$  but also a function of the geometry of the system.

- In Y-Y or Δ-Δ transformers the markings are such that line-to-line voltage ratio is given by the turns ratio  $a$ .
- In Y-Δ transformers the markings are such that the turns ratio  $a$  express the ratio between the line-to-neutral voltage of the high voltage side and the line-to-line voltage of the low voltage side. The effective ratio can be calculated by the following equation:

$$r = \left| \frac{\bar{V}_{LL}}{\bar{V}_{ll}} \right| = \left| \frac{\sqrt{3} \bar{V}_{LN}}{\bar{V}_{ll}} \right| = \sqrt{3} \left| \frac{\bar{V}_{LN}}{\bar{V}_{ll}} \right| = \sqrt{3} \frac{N_1}{N_2} = \sqrt{3}a$$

- In the same way, to transfer impedance from the voltage level on one side of a three-phase transformer to the voltage level on the other, the multiplying factor is the effective ratio and not the turns ratio

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## Phase Shift

Let's consider a three-phase transformer connected Y- $\Delta$  where Y side is the high-voltage side. As previously discussed, the markings are such that line-to-neutral HV windings are **magnetically linked** with the line-to-line LV windings. Therefore,  $\bar{V}_{AN}$  is always in phase with  $\bar{V}_{ab}$ .

As a result, the line-to-neutral voltage phase  $\angle V_{an}$  is shifted by  $30^\circ$  in respect to  $\angle V_{AN}$  as visible from Fig. 1.14.

Fig.1.14 shows that  $\bar{V}_{AN} = \left(\frac{N_1}{N_2}\right) \bar{V}_{ab}$ , i.e. the line-to-neutral primary voltage is in phase with the line-to-line secondary voltage. By looking at the phasor geometry we obtain:

$$\bar{V}_{AN} = \frac{N_1}{N_2} \sqrt{3} \bar{V}_{an} \angle 30^\circ \quad (1.27)$$

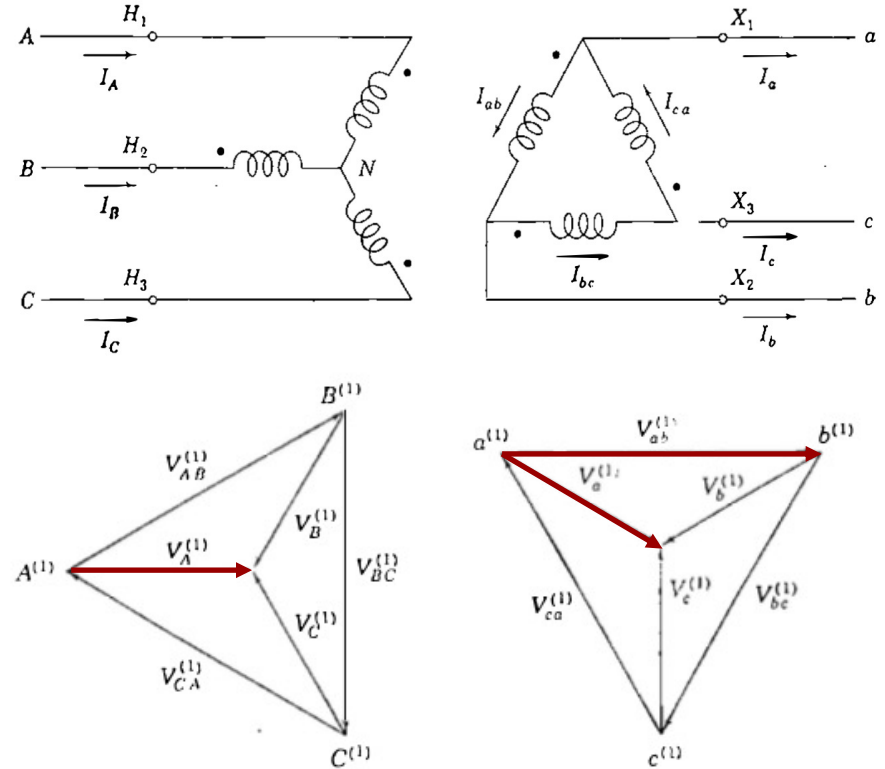
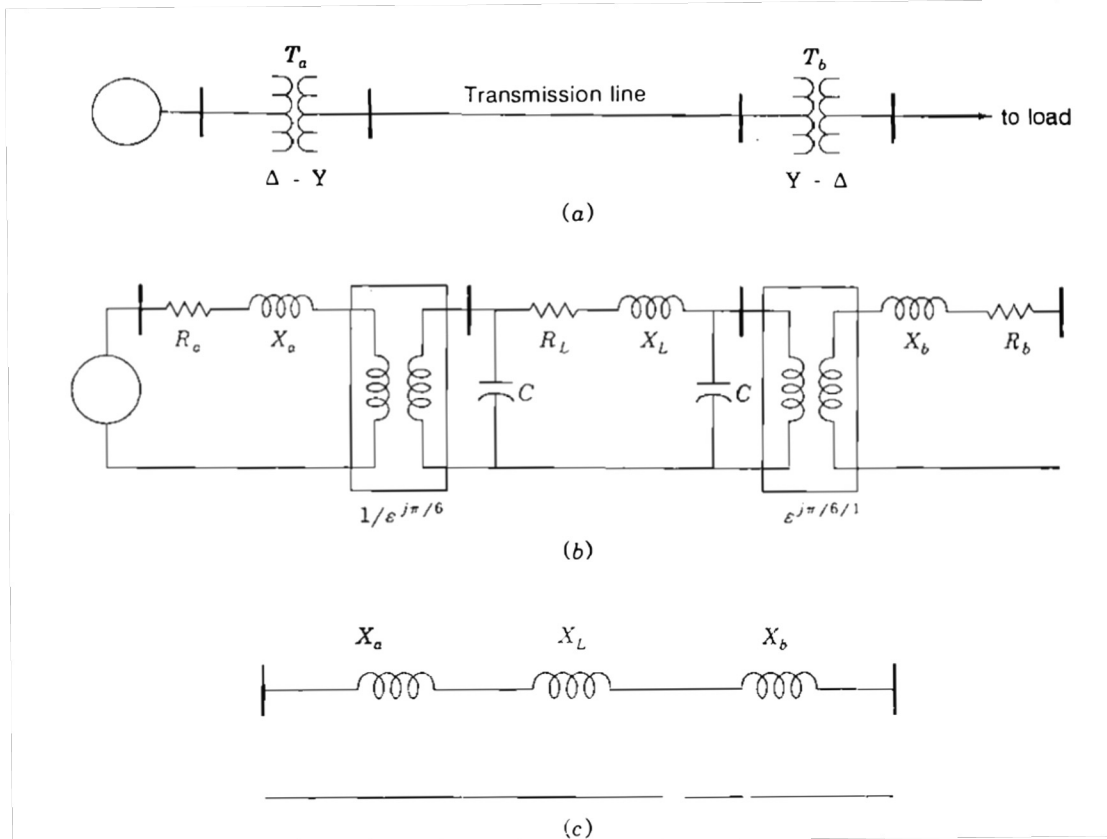


Figure 1.14: Wiring diagram and voltage phasors for a three-phase transformer connected Y- $\Delta$  where Y side is the high-voltage side.

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- Transformer impedance and magnetizing currents are handled separately from **the phase shift**, which **can be represented by an ideal transformer** as in Fig. (1.15) .
- Usually, the **high-voltage** winding in a Y-Δ transformer is **Y-connected** to reduce insulation costs for a given step-up voltage since this connection takes advantage of the fact that the voltage transformation is then  $\sqrt{3}(N_1/N_2)$ .



- Transformers which provide a small adjustment of voltage magnitude (in the range of  $\pm 10\%$ ) and others which shift the phase angle of the line voltages are important components of a power system.
- A **type of transformer** designed for **small adjustments of voltage** rather than large changes in voltage levels is called a **regulating transformer**.
- Almost all transformers provide taps on windings to adjust the ratio of transformation by changing taps when the transformer is de-energized but **a change in tap can be made while the transformer is energized**, and **such transformers are called load-tap-changing (LTC) transformers or tap-changing-under-load (TCUL) transformers**.