### **Rotational Motion of Electric Machines**

- An electric machine rotates about a fixed axis, called the shaft, so its rotation is restricted to one angular dimension.
- Relative to a given end of the machine's shaft, the direction of counterclockwise (CCW) rotation is often assumed to be positive.
- Therefore, for rotation about a fixed shaft, all the concepts are scalars.



Figure 3-23. Squirrel cage induction motor rotor

# Angular Position, Velocity and Acceleration

- Angular position  $\theta$ 
  - The angle at which an object is oriented, measured from some arbitrary reference point
  - Unit: rad or deg
  - Analogy of the linear concept of distance along a line.
- Angular velocity  $\omega = d\theta/dt$ 
  - The rate of change in angular position with respect to time
  - Unit: rad/s or r/min (revolutions  $\alpha > 0$  if the absolute angular per minute or rpm for short) velocity is increasing in the
  - Analogy of the concept of velocity on a straight line.



- Angular acceleration  $\alpha = d\omega/dt$ 
  - The rate of change in angular velocity with respect to time
  - Unit: rad/s<sup>2</sup>
- $\theta$  and  $\omega > 0$  if the rotation is CCW
- α>0 if the absolute angular velocity is increasing in the CCW direction or decreasing in the CW direction

# Moment of Inertia (or Inertia)

- Inertia depends on the mass and shape of the object (unit:  $kg \cdot m^2$ )
- A complex shape can be broken up into 2 or more of simple shapes



# **Torque and Change in Speed**

• **Torque** is equal to the product of the force and the perpendicular distance between the axis of rotation and the point of application of the force.

T=Fr (N·m)



• Newton's Law of Rotation: Describes the relationship between the total torque applied to an object and its resulting angular acceleration.

$$T = J\alpha = J\frac{\Delta\omega}{\Delta t} = \frac{J}{9.55} \cdot \frac{\Delta n}{\Delta t} \qquad n[r/min] = \omega[rad/s] \times \frac{60[min]}{2\pi} = \frac{30}{\pi}\omega \approx 9.55\omega$$

 $\Delta n$ : change in speed (in r/min or rpm)

 $\Delta t$ : interval of time during which the torque is applied (in second)

# Mechanical Work, Power and Kinetic Energy of Rotational Motion

- Applying a constant torque  $T(N \cdot m)$  to a motor
  - Work:  $W=T\Delta\theta$  (J)

 $\Delta \theta$ : angular distance (rad)

- Power: 
$$P = T\omega = \frac{Tn}{9.55}$$
 (W)



ω: angular velocity or speed of rotation (rad/s)n: speed of rotation (r/min)

- Kinetic Energy: 
$$E_k = \frac{1}{2}J\omega^2 = \frac{\pi^2}{1800}Jn^2 = 5.48 \times 10^{-3}Jn^2$$
 (J)  
 $\omega[rad/s] = \frac{\pi}{30}n[r/min]$ 

# **Example 4**

A solid 1400 kg steel flywheel has diameter of 1 m and a thickness of 225 mm. Calculate:

• Its moment of inertia



- To increase its speed from 60 r/min to 600 r/min by applying a torque of 20 N·m. For how long must the torque be applied?
- The kinetic energy when the flywheel revolves at 1800r/min

#### Solution:

Ignoring the thickness of the flywheel, the moment of inertia:

$$J = \frac{mr^2}{2} = \frac{1400 \times 0.5^2}{2} = 175 \ kg \cdot m^2$$
$$T = \frac{J}{9.55} \cdot \frac{\Delta n}{\Delta t} \qquad \Delta t = \frac{J}{9.55} \frac{\Delta n}{T} = \frac{175}{9.55} \times \frac{600 - 60}{20} = 494.7 \ s$$
$$E_k = 5.48 \times 10^{-3} Jn^2 = 5.48 \times 10^{-3} \times 175 \times 1800^2 = 3.1 \text{MJ}$$

# **Mechanically Coupled System**



Figure 3.12 Shaft is stationary  $T_{M} = T_{L}$ .

**Figure 3.13** Shaft turns cw  $T_{M} = T_{L}$ .

Figure 3.14 Shaft turns ccw  $T_{M} = T_{L}$ .

- Assume that under normal operating conditions,  $T_M$  (or *n*) is cw and  $T_L$  is ccw.
- When  $T_M = T_L$  and they have opposite directions, speed *n* (or  $\omega$ ) of the shaft is constant (note: *n* may be cw, ccw or even 0)
- If *n* is cw, to increase *n* to  $n_1$  (cw) - current  $I \uparrow \rightarrow T_M \ge T_I \rightarrow n \uparrow$ 
  - once  $n=n_1, I \downarrow \rightarrow T_M = T_L$
- What is the direction of power flow?
- In order to decrease & reverse *n* to  $n_2$  (ccw) - current  $I \downarrow \rightarrow T_M < T_L \rightarrow n \downarrow \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow ccw$ - once  $n=n_2, I \uparrow \rightarrow T_M = T_L$

$$P = T\omega = \frac{Tn}{9.55} \quad \text{(W)}$$

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## **Conclusions on a Mechanically Coupled System**

#### • Speed:

- When  $T_M = T_L$  and they have opposite directions, the actual steady-state speed being cw (or ccw) depends on whether  $T_M$  was greater (or less) than  $T_L$  for a certain period of time before the actual steady-state condition was reached.

#### • Power flow:

- When  $T_M$  and *n* have the same direction (i.e. *P*>0), the motor (in the motor mode) delivers power to the load; otherwise, the motor (in the generator mode) receives power from the load







Figure 3.14 Shaft turns ccw  $T_{M} = T_{L}$ .

## **Question 3-11**

A motor develops a cw torque of 60N·m, and the load develops a cw torque of 50N·m.

• If this situation persists for some time, will the direction of rotation eventually be cw or ccw?

cw since  $60N \cdot m$  (cw) >  $50N \cdot m$  (ccw)

• What value of motor torque is needed to keep the speed constant?

 $50N \cdot m$ 

### **Electric Motors Driving Linear Motion Loads**



• Assuming no losses

 $P_i = P_o$  $T \cdot n = 9.55 F \cdot v$  Figure 3.15 Converting rotary motion into linear motion.

#### Homework #3

- Read Ch. 2.16-2.31, 3.0-3.14
- Questions 2-5, 2-8, 2-9, 3-12, 3-17, 3-18, 3-19
- Due date: 9/30 (Friday)
  - hand in your solution in the class or
  - to Wenyun Ju at MK207