

Here are 10 numerical questions based on the formulas and principles provided in the Lecture 5 slides regarding Voltage Drop and Power Loss Calculations, along with their step-by-step solutions.

### Question 1: DC Percentage Voltage Drop

A DC distribution line supplies a 50 kW load. The distance between the source and the load is 100 meters, the copper conductor conductivity ( $\sigma$ ) is  $56 \text{ m}/\Omega.\text{mm}^2$ , and the cross-sectional area ( $A$ ) is  $25 \text{ mm}^2$ . Calculate the percentage voltage drop assuming the nominal system voltage ( $V_n$ ) is equal to the load voltage of 600 V.

- **Solution:** \* The formula for the percentage voltage drop in a DC system is  $\%e = \frac{200 \times P_{load} \times L}{V_n^2 \times \sigma \times A}$ .
  - $\%e = \frac{200 \times 50000 \times 100}{600^2 \times 56 \times 25}$
  - $\%e = \frac{1,000,000,000}{360000 \times 1400} = \frac{1,000,000,000}{504,000,000}$
  - $\%e \approx 1.98\%$

### Question 2: DC Power Loss

Using the data from Question 1 (load of 50 kW, distance of 100 m, load voltage of 600 V,  $\sigma = 56 \text{ m}/\Omega.\text{mm}^2$ , and  $A = 25 \text{ mm}^2$ ), calculate the total power loss in Watts.

- **Solution:**
  - First, calculate the line current:  $I = \frac{P_{load}}{V_{load}} = \frac{50000}{600} = 83.33 \text{ A}$ .
  - Next, calculate the one-way resistance:  $R = \frac{L}{\sigma \times A} = \frac{100}{56 \times 25} \approx 0.0714 \Omega$ .
  - The power loss formula is  $P_{loss} = 2RI^2$ .
  - $P_{loss} = 2 \times 0.0714 \times (83.33)^2 = 0.1428 \times 6943.88 \approx 991.6 \text{ W}$ .

### Question 3: Conductor Sizing for DC System

A 200-meter DC underground feeder operates at a nominal voltage of 400 V to supply a 40 kW load. Find the minimum required cross-sectional area ( $A$ ) for a copper conductor ( $\sigma = 56 \text{ m}/\Omega.\text{mm}^2$ ) to ensure the percentage voltage drop does not exceed 5%.

- **Solution:**
  - Rearranging the DC percentage voltage drop formula to solve for A:  $A = \frac{200 \times P_{load} \times L}{V_n^2 \times \sigma \times \%e}$ .
  - $A = \frac{200 \times 40000 \times 200}{400^2 \times 56 \times 5}$
  - $A = \frac{1,600,000,000}{160000 \times 280} = \frac{1,600,000,000}{44,800,000}$
  - $A \approx 35.7 \text{ mm}^2$ . (In practice, you would select the next standard size up).

### Question 4: Single-Phase AC Percentage Voltage Drop

A single-phase AC line supplies a 10 kW load at 220 V with unity power factor ( $f(\phi) = 1$ ). The line length is 50 meters. Assuming the conductor conductivity is  $\sigma = 35 \text{ m}/\Omega.\text{mm}^2$  and the cross-sectional area is  $16 \text{ mm}^2$ , calculate the percentage voltage drop.

- **Solution:**

- The formula for single-phase AC percentage voltage drop is  $\%e = \frac{200 \times P_{load} \times L}{V_{load}^2 \times \sigma \times A} \times f(\phi)$ .
- $\%e = \frac{200 \times 10000 \times 50}{220^2 \times 35 \times 16} \times 1$
- $\%e = \frac{100,000,000}{48400 \times 560} = \frac{100,000,000}{27,104,000}$
- $\%e \approx 3.69\%$

### Question 5: Three-Phase AC Percentage Voltage Drop

A three-phase line supplies a 100 kW load at an L-L voltage of 400 V. The line length is 150 meters, conductor conductivity  $\sigma = 56 \text{ m}/\Omega \cdot \text{mm}^2$ , cross-section  $A = 50 \text{ mm}^2$ , and the power factor is unity ( $f(\phi) = 1$ ). Find the percentage voltage drop.

- **Solution:**

- The formula for three-phase AC percentage voltage drop using L-L voltage is  $\%e = \frac{100 \times P_{load} \times L \times f(\phi)}{V_{load(LL)}^2 \times \sigma \times A}$ .
- $\%e = \frac{100 \times 100000 \times 150 \times 1}{400^2 \times 56 \times 50}$
- $\%e = \frac{1,500,000,000}{160000 \times 2800} = \frac{1,500,000,000}{448,000,000}$
- $\%e \approx 3.35\%$

### Question 6: Three-Phase AC Maximum Length Calculation

For a three-phase system with  $V_{LL} = 380 \text{ V}$ , a load of 50 kW at unity power factor ( $f(\phi) = 1$ ),  $\sigma = 35 \text{ m}/\Omega \cdot \text{mm}^2$ , and conductor cross-section  $A = 25 \text{ mm}^2$ , what is the maximum length ( $L$ ) for a maximum percentage voltage drop of 4%?

- **Solution:**

- Rearrange the three-phase percentage voltage drop formula to solve for L:  $L = \frac{\%e \times V_{load(LL)}^2 \times \sigma \times A}{100 \times P_{load} \times f(\phi)}$ .
- $L = \frac{4 \times 380^2 \times 35 \times 25}{100 \times 50000 \times 1}$
- $L = \frac{4 \times 144400 \times 875}{5,000,000} = \frac{505,400,000}{5,000,000}$
- $L = 101.08 \text{ meters}$

### Question 7: Three-Phase AC Active Power Loss

In a three-phase system, a load draws a line current of 50 A. The per-phase resistance of the distribution line is  $0.1 \Omega$ . Calculate the total three-phase active power loss.

- **Solution:**

- The formula for three-phase active power loss is  $P_{loss} = 3 \times R \times I^2$ , where R is the per-phase resistance.

- $P_{loss} = 3 \times 0.1 \times 50^2$
- $P_{loss} = 3 \times 0.1 \times 2500$
- $P_{loss} = 750 \text{ W}$

### Question 8: Calculating Active Power from Apparent Power

A “Rose” conductor carries its maximum apparent power of 72.6 kVA in a three-phase system. If the power factor is 0.8 lagging, calculate the maximum active power ( $P_{max}$ ) in kW.

#### • Solution:

- Active power is the product of apparent power and the power factor.
- $P_{max} = S_{max} \times \cos \theta$
- $P_{max} = 72.6 \text{ kVA} \times 0.8$
- $P_{max} = 58.08 \text{ kW}$

### Question 9: Source Voltage in a DC System

A DC distribution system supplies a load operating at 200 V. The total two-way voltage drop on the distribution line ( $\Delta V$ ) is calculated to be 12 V. What is the voltage of the DC source ( $V_s$ )?

#### • Solution:

- Based on Kirchhoff's Voltage Law (KVL) for the DC line, the voltage drop is  $\Delta V = V_s - V_{load}$ .
- Rearranging to solve for the source voltage:  $V_s = V_{load} + \Delta V$ .
- $V_s = 200 + 12 = 212 \text{ V}$ .

### Question 10: Percentage Efficiency of a DC Line

A DC distribution line receives an input power ( $P_{in}$ ) of 52 kW from the source. The total power loss on the line ( $P_{loss}$ ) is 2 kW. Calculate the percentage efficiency of the distribution line.

#### • Solution:

- First, calculate the output power to the load:  $P_{out} = P_{in} - P_{loss} = 52000 - 2000 = 50000 \text{ W}$ .
- The formula for percentage efficiency is  $\% \eta = \left( \frac{P_{out}}{P_{in}} \right) \times 100$ .
- $\% \eta = \left( \frac{50000}{52000} \right) \times 100$
- $\% \eta \approx 96.15\%$