# Basic Electrical Theory 

Mathematics Review

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## Objectives

By the end of this presentation the Learner should be able to:

- Use the basics of trigonometry to calculate the different components of a right triangle
- Compute Per-Unit Quantities
- Identify the two components of Vectors


## Right Triangles

## Mathematics Review

- To be able to understand basic AC power concepts, a familiarization with the relationships between the angles and sides of a right triangle is essential
- A right triangle is defined as a triangle in which one of the three angles is a right angle always equal to $90^{\circ}$
- Two of the sides which form the right triangle are designated as the adjacent and opposite sides with respect to the angle "theta"
- The third side of the right triangle is the longest side and is called the hypotenuse


## Mathematics Review



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- Given the lengths of two sides of a right triangle, the third side can be determined using the Pythagorean Theorem
- The square of the hypotenuse is equal to the sum of the squares of the remaining two sides:

$$
\text { Hypotenuse }^{2}=\text { Opposite }^{2}+\text { Adjacent }^{2}
$$

## Mathematics Review

- Given a right triangle whose hypotenuse is 10 , and the adjacent side is 6 , what is the length of the opposite side?

$$
\text { Hypotenuse }^{2}=\text { Adjacent }^{2}+\text { Opposite }^{2}
$$

$$
\begin{gathered}
10^{2}=6^{2}+\text { Opposite }^{2} \\
100=36+\text { Opposite }^{2} \\
100-36=\text { Opposite }^{2} \\
\sqrt{100-36}=\text { Opposite } \\
\sqrt{64}=\text { Opposite } \\
\text { Opposite }=8
\end{gathered}
$$

## Mathematics Review

- Once the sides are known, the next step in solving the right triangle is to determine the two unknown angles of the right triangle
- Three angles of any triangle always add up to $180^{\circ}$
- In solving a right triangle, the remaining two unknown angles must add up to $90^{\circ}$
- Basic trigonometric functions are needed to solve for the values of the unknown angles


## Trigonometry

## Mathematics Review

- The sine function is a periodic function in that it continually repeats itself



## Mathematics Review

- In order to solve right triangles, it is necessary to know the value of the sine function between $0^{\circ}$ and $90^{\circ}$
- Sine of either of the unknown angles of a right triangle is the ratio of the length of the opposite side to the length of the hypotenuse

$$
\text { SIN } \theta=\text { Opposite side / Hypotenuse }
$$

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- Cosine function is a periodic function that is identical to the sine function except that it leads the sine function by $90^{\circ}$



## Mathematics Review

- As an example, the cosine function at $0^{\circ}$ is 1 whereas the sine function does not reach the value of 1 until $90^{\circ}$
- Cosine function of either of the unknown angles of a right triangle is the ratio of the length of the adjacent side to the length of the hypotenuse

$$
\operatorname{COS} \theta=\text { Adjacent side / Hypotenuse }
$$

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- The tangent function of either of the unknown angles of a right triangle is the ratio of the length of the opposite side to the length of the adjacent side

TAN $\theta=$ Opposite side / Adjacent side

## Mathematics Review

- Example:
- Given: Side H=5, Side A = 4
- Find: Side O, Angle $\theta$ and Angle $\alpha$



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$$
\alpha=53.13^{\circ}
$$

$$
H^{2}=A^{2}+O^{2}
$$

- Find Side O: $25=16+O^{2}$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& 25-16=O^{2} \\
& \sqrt{25-16}=O \\
& O=\sqrt{9}=3
\end{aligned}
$$

- Find $\theta: \sin \theta=\frac{O}{H}=\frac{3}{5}=.6$

$$
\sin (.6)^{-1}=36.87^{\circ}
$$

- Find $\alpha: 180^{\circ}-90^{\circ}-36.87^{\circ}=53.13^{\circ}$


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Find X


## Mathematics Review



## Question 1

Calculate the value of the hypotenuse and the angle $\theta$ in the following triangle


## Question 1 - Answer

$$
\begin{aligned}
& H=\sqrt{O^{2}+A^{2}} \\
& H=\sqrt{12^{2}+20^{2}} \\
& H=\sqrt{144+400} \\
& H=\sqrt{544}=23.32 \mathrm{~cm}
\end{aligned}
$$

$\cos \theta=\frac{\text { adjacent }}{\text { hypotenuse }}$
$\cos \theta=\frac{A}{H}$
$\cos \theta=\frac{12 \mathrm{~cm}}{23.32 \mathrm{~cm}}$
$\cos \theta=.514$
$\theta=\cos (.514)^{-1}=59^{\circ}$


## Question 2

Calculate the length of the side $x$, given that $\tan \theta=0.4$


## Question 2 - Answer

$\tan \theta=\frac{\text { opposite }}{\text { adjacent }}$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& 0.4=\frac{x}{15} \\
& x=(0.4)(15) \\
& x=6 \mathrm{~cm}
\end{aligned}
$$



## Question 3

Calculate the length of the side $x$, given that $\sin \theta=0.6$


## Question 3 - Answer

$$
\begin{aligned}
\sin \theta & =\frac{\text { opposite }}{\text { hypotenuse }} \\
0.6 & =\frac{12}{H} \\
H & =\frac{12}{0.6} \\
H & =20 \mathrm{~cm} \\
x & =\sqrt{H^{2}-A^{2}} \\
x & =\sqrt{20^{2}-12^{2}} \\
x & =\sqrt{400-144} \\
x & =\sqrt{256}=16 \mathrm{~cm}
\end{aligned}
$$

## Per-unit Quantities

## Mathematics Review

- Ratios play an important part in estimating power system performance
- A ratio is defined as a relationship between two numbers as a fraction
- Generally, ratios are used when the relationship of two pairs of values is the same, and one of two similarly related values is known
- Ratios only provide exact answers in linear systems where the relationship between two variables in the system is the same regardless of the magnitude of the two variables


## Question 4

Assume that the loss of a 1000 MW generating unit will typically result in a 0.2 Hz dip in system frequency. Estimate the frequency dip for the loss of an 800 MW generating unit.

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$$
\frac{0.2 H z}{1000 M W}=\frac{(x) H z}{800 M W}
$$

$\frac{0.2 H z}{1000 M W}$

$$
=\frac{(x) H z}{800 \overline{N W}}
$$

$$
\begin{gathered}
\frac{(0.2 \mathrm{~Hz})(800 \mathrm{MW})}{1000 \mathrm{NW}}=(x) \mathrm{Hz} \\
x=\frac{160 \mathrm{~Hz}}{1000}=.16 \mathrm{~Hz}
\end{gathered}
$$

## Question 5

Assume that the loss of a 500 MW generating unit will typically result in a 0.3 Hz dip in system frequency. Estimate the frequency dip for the loss of an 300 MW generating unit.

$$
\frac{0.3 H z}{500 M W}=\frac{(x) H z}{300 M W}
$$

$\frac{0.3 H z}{500 M W}$

$$
=\frac{(x) H z}{300 \pi F W}
$$

$$
\frac{(300 M M \tilde{N})(0.3 \mathrm{~Hz})}{500 \mathrm{MN}}=(x) \mathrm{Hz}
$$

$$
x=\frac{90 \mathrm{~Hz}}{500}=.18 \mathrm{~Hz}
$$

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- Quantities on the power system are often specified as a percentage or a per-unit of their base or nominal value
- Per-unit values makes it easier to see where a system value is in respect to its base value and also how it compares between different parts of the system with different base values
- Per-unit values also allow for a dispatcher to view the system and quickly obtain a feel for the voltage profile


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- Assume that, at a certain substation, the voltage being measured is 510 kV on the 500 kV system. What is its per-unit value with respect to the nominal voltage?

Base or nominal voltage $=500 \mathrm{kV}$
Measured voltage $=510 \mathrm{kV}$
$510 \mathrm{kV} / 500 \mathrm{kV}=1.02$ per-unit or $102 \%$

## Mathematics Review



## Vectors

## Vectors

- A vector is alternative way to represent a sinusoidal function with amplitude, and phase information
- A vectors length represents magnitude
- A vectors direction represents the phase angle
- Example: 10 miles east



## Vectors

- Vectors are a means of expressing both magnitude and direction
- Horizontal line to the right is positive; horizontal line to the left is negative
- Vertical line going up is positive; vertical line going down is negative
- Arrowhead on the end away from the point of origin indicates the direction of the vector and is called the displacement vector
- Vectors can go in any direction in space


## Vectors

- The difference between a scalar quantity and a vector: a) A scalar quantity is one that can be described with a single number, including any units, giving its size or magnitude
b) A vector quantity is one that deals inherently with both magnitude and direction


## Conceptual Question 6

There are places where the temperature is $+20^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ at one time of the year and $-20^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ at another time. Do the plus and minus signs that signify positive and negative temperatures imply that temperature is a vector quantity?

## Question 7

Which of the following statements, if any, involves a vector?
a) I walked two miles along the beach
b) I walked two miles due north along the beach
c) A ball fell off a cliff and hit the water traveling at 17 miles per hour
d) A ball fell off a cliff and traveled straight down 200 feet
e) My bank account shows a negative balance of -25 dollars

## Vectors

- When adding vectors, the process must take into account both the magnitude and direction of the vectors
- Vectors are usually written in bold with an arrow over the top of the letter, $\overrightarrow{(\mathbf{A})}$
- When adding two vectors, there is always a resultant vector, $R$, and the addition is written as follows:

$$
\vec{R}=\vec{A}+\vec{B}
$$

## Vectors

- Example: Adding vectors in the same direction Vector $A$ has a length of 2 and a direction of $90^{\circ}$ Vector $B$ has a length of 3 and a direction of $90^{\circ}$



## Vectors

- Example: Adding vectors in the opposite direction Vector $\vec{A}$ has a length of 2 and a direction of $90^{\circ}$ Vector $\vec{B}$ has a length of 3 and a direction of $270^{\circ}$



## Question 8

Two vectors, $A \overrightarrow{\text { and }} B, \overrightarrow{A r e}$ added to give a resultant vector, $\vec{R}$. The magnitudes are 3 and 8 meters, respectively, but the vectors can have any orientation. What is the maximum and minimum possible values for the magnitude of $\vec{R}$ ?

Minimum: $(-3)+(-8)=(-11)$

## Vectors

- Subtraction of one vector from another is carried out in a way that depends on the following:

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When a vector is multiplied by -1, the magnitude of the vector remains the same, but the direction of the vector is reversed
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- Vector subtraction is carried out exactly like vector addition except that one of the vectors added is multiplied by the scalar factor of -1


## Vectors



$$
\vec{C}=\vec{A}+\vec{B}
$$



$$
\vec{A}=\vec{C}+(-\vec{B})
$$

## Vectors

- If the magnitude and direction of a vector is known, it is possible to find the components of the vector
- The process is called "resolving the vector into its components"
- If the vector components are perpendicular and form a right triangle, the process can be carried out with the aid of trigonometry


## Vectors

- To calculate the sum of two or more vectors using their components ( $x$ and $y$ ) in the vertical and horizontal directions, trigonometry is used



## Vectors

- The Pythagorean Theorem is a special relationship that exists in any triangle and describes the relationship between the lengths of the sides of a right triangle

$$
z^{2}=x^{2}+y^{2}
$$

- Three basic trigonometric functions defined by a right triangle are:
$\sin \theta=x / z=$ opposite side/hypotenuse
$\cos \theta=y / z=$ adjacent side/hypotenuse
$\tan \theta=x / y=$ opposite side/adjacent side
$\tan \theta=\operatorname{sine} \theta / \cos \theta$


## Vectors

- To find theta, the inverse of the trigonometric function must be used

$$
\begin{aligned}
\theta & =\sin ^{-1} y / z \\
\theta & =\cos ^{-1} x / z \\
\theta & =\tan ^{-1} y / x
\end{aligned}
$$

- When adding vectors, magnitude is found by:

$$
\vec{R}=\sqrt{\left(\overrightarrow{R_{x}}\right)^{2}+\left(\overrightarrow{R_{y}}\right)^{2}}
$$

- The direction of the resultant, $R$, is found by:

$$
\theta=\sin ^{-1}\left(R_{y} / R\right)
$$

## Vectors

- Vectors can be added either in the same direction or in opposite directions



## Vectors

- Adding vectors:



## Vectors



## Vectors



## Vectors

- Determine the resulting vectors, $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{x}}$ and $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{y}}$ :



## Vectors

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\begin{aligned}
& \vec{R}=\sqrt{\overrightarrow{R_{x}^{2}+R_{y}^{2}}} \\
& \vec{R}=\sqrt{20.06^{2}+14.57^{2}} \\
& \vec{R}=\sqrt{614.7} \\
& \vec{R}=24.79 \\
& \theta=\sin ^{-1}\left(\frac{R_{y}}{R}\right) \\
& \theta=\sin ^{-1}\left(\frac{14.57}{24.79}\right) \\
& \theta=\sin ^{-1}(.587) \\
& \theta=35.9^{\circ}
\end{aligned}
$$

## Vectors

- Polar notation expresses a vector in terms of both a magnitude and a direction such as:
where:

$$
M \angle^{\circ}
$$

$M$ is the magnitude of the vector
${ }^{\circ}$ is the direction in degrees

Example: Vector with a magnitude of 10 and a direction of -40 degrees

$$
10 \angle-40^{\circ}
$$

## Vectors

- Multiplication in polar notation: Multiply the magnitudes/Add the angles $\left(50 \angle 25^{\circ}\right)\left(25 \angle 30^{\circ}\right)=1250 \angle 55^{\circ}$
- Division in polar notation:

Divide the magnitudes/Subtract the angles
$\left(50 \angle 25^{\circ}\right)=2 \angle-5^{\circ}$
( $25 \angle 30^{\circ}$ )

## Question 9

A displacement vector $\vec{R}$ has a magnitude of $\vec{R}=175 \mathrm{~m}$ and points at an angle of $50^{\circ}$ relative to the $x$-axis. Find the $x$ and $y$ components of this vector?


## Question 9

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\begin{aligned}
& \sin \theta=\frac{\mathrm{O}}{\mathrm{H}}=\frac{\mathrm{Y}}{\mathrm{R}} \\
& \sin 50^{\circ}=\frac{\mathrm{Y}}{175 \mathrm{~m}} \\
& \mathrm{Y}=(175 \mathrm{~m}) \sin 50^{\circ}=134.06 \mathrm{~m} \\
& \mathrm{X}=\sqrt{H^{2}-O^{2}}=\sqrt{\mathrm{R}^{2}-\mathrm{Y}^{2}} \\
& \mathrm{X}=\sqrt{175 \mathrm{~m}^{2}-134.06 \mathrm{~m}^{2}}=\sqrt{12652.92 \mathrm{~m}^{2}}=112.5 \mathrm{~m}
\end{aligned}
$$

## Summary

- Discussed the different components of a Right Triangles
- Reviewed the basics of Trigonometry
- Computed different Per-Unit Quantities
- Characterized the two components of Vectors


## Questions?

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