# Lab Info. -- SYNCHRONOUS MACHINE EXPERIMENTS

## MODEL SM-100

## **DESCRIPTION**

The SM-100 is a three phase, four pole machine consisting of a WYE/Delta stator and a rotor having a DC field winding and a damper winding. It has a three pole circuit breaker and a IND start - SYN RUN switch which are provided in the terminal box.

# SM-100 MOT and ALT Circuit Breakers

Speed = 1700 RPM No. of Poles = Three

Voltage = 208 V-30 Overload Type = Thermal

Temp =  $40^{\circ}$  C Trip Rating = 2.5 Amp.

# Alternator Motor

Power = 120 V.A. Horsepower = 1/3 HP

Current = 0.35 Amps Current = 1.7 Amps

Field Excit. = Separate Frequency = 60 Hz

Field Voltage - 0-100 V - DC

#### EXPERIMENT NO. 18

## SATURATION CURVE OF AN ALTERNATOR

#### PURPOSE:

To study the relationship between the no-load voltage and the DC field current of a separately-excited alternator.

#### APPARATUS REQUIRED:

- 1. One SPM-100 Split-Phase Motor
- 2. One SM-100-3 Synchronous Machine as Three Phase Alternator
- 3. One 0 to 300 Volt AC Voltmeter
- 4. One 0 to 1.0 Amp DC Ammeter
- 5. One 0 to 150 Volt/1 Amp DC Power Supply
- 6. One 120 Volt AC Power Supply

#### PROCEDURE:

- 1. Couple the alternator to the Split-Phase Motor (or other suitable prime mover) and make the connections shown in Figure 28.
- 2. Have the instructor check your connections and then start the motor. Adjust the output of the 150 Volt DC supply from zero to a maximum value of 1 amp field current to zero again. Record in Table 27 the outvoltage for about ten different values of field current for both the ascending and descending values.

Note: Always adjust current in the field in one direction only. Never reduce it and then increase it.

#### SUGGESTION FOR CONCLUSION:

Using the data in Table 27, plot the ascending and descending saturation curves.

#### **QUESTIONS:**

- 1. How is voltage generated in an alternator?
- 2. What is the relationship between the generated frequency, speed and number of poles?

#### Table 27:

SPEED	2000>			
Armature				
Volts				
Load				
Amps				
Field				
Amps				

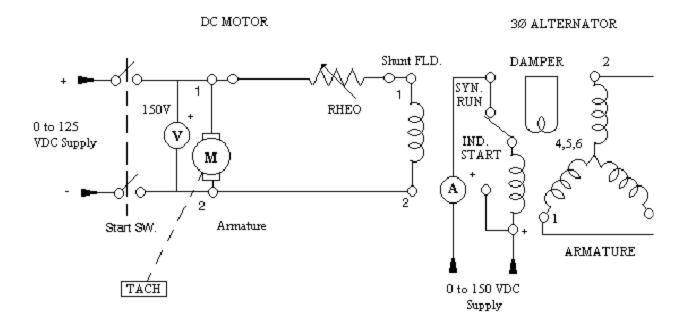


FIGURE 28