Root-Mean-Square (R.M.S.) Value

The r.m.s. value of an alternating current is given by that steady (d.c.) current which when flowing through a given circuit for a given time produces the same heat as produced by the alternating current when flowing through the same circuit for the same time.

Analytical Method

The standard form of a sinusoidal alternating current is $i = I_m \sin \omega t = I_m \sin \theta$.

The mean of the squares of the instantaneous values of current over one complete cycle is (even the value over half a cycle will do).

$$= \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{i^2 d\theta}{(2\pi - 0)}$$
 The square root of this value is
$$= \sqrt{\left(\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{i^2 d\theta}{2\pi}\right)}$$

Hence, the r.m.s. value of the alternating current is

Now,
$$\cos 2\theta = 1 - 2 \sin^2 \theta$$
 $\therefore \sin^2 \theta = \sqrt{\left(\frac{I_m^2}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \sin^2 \theta \, d\theta\right)}$ (put $i = I_m \sin \theta$)
$$\therefore I = \sqrt{\left(\frac{I_m^2}{4\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} (1 - \cos 2\theta) \, d\theta\right)} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{I_m^2}{4\pi} \left|\theta - \frac{\sin 2\theta}{2}\right|_0^{2\pi}\right)}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{I_m^2}{4\pi}} 2 \sqrt{\frac{I_m^2}{2}} \therefore I = \frac{I_m}{\sqrt{2}} = 0.707 I_m$$

Hence, we find that for a symmetrical sinusoidal current

r.m.s. value of current = 0.707 x max. value of current

The r.m.s. value of an alternating current is of considerable importance in practice, because the ammeters and voltmeters record the r.m.s. value of alternating current and voltage respectively. In

electrical engineering work, unless indicated otherwise, the values of the given current and voltage are always the r.m.s. values.

It should be noted that the average heating effect produced during one cycle is

$$= I^{2}R = (I_{m}/\sqrt{2})^{2}R = \frac{1}{2}I_{m}^{2}R$$

Average Value

The average value I_a of an alternating current is expressed by that steady current which transfers across any circuit the same charge as is transferred by that alternating current during the same time.

In the case of a symmetrical alternating current (i.e. one whose two half-cycles are exactly similar, whether sinusoidal or non-sinusoidal), the average value over a complete cycle is zero. Hence, in their case, the average value is obtained by adding or integrating the instantaneous values of current over one half-cycle only. But in the case of an unsymmetrical alternating current (like half-wave rectified current) the average value must always be taken over the whole cycle.

(i) Mid-ordinate Method

With reference to Fig. 11.16,
$$I_{av} = \frac{i_1 + i_2 + ... + i_n}{n}$$

This method may be used both for sinusoidal and non-sinusoidal waves, although it is specially convenient for the latter.

(ii) Analytical Method

The standard equation of an alternating current is, $i = I_m \sin \theta$

$$I_{av} = \int_0^{\pi} \frac{id\theta}{(\pi - 0)} = \frac{I_m}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \sin \theta \, d\theta$$
 (putting value of *i*)
$$= \frac{I_m}{\pi} \left| -\cos \theta \right|_0^{\pi} = \frac{I_m}{\pi} \left| +1 - (-1) \right| = \frac{2I_m}{\pi} = \frac{I_m}{\pi/2} = \frac{\text{twice the maximum current}}{\pi}$$

$$I_{av} = I_m / \frac{1}{2} \pi = 0.637 I_m$$
 \therefore average value of current = 0.637 × maximum value

Note. R.M.S. value is always greater than average value except in the case of a rectangular wave when both are equal.

Form Factor

It is defined as the ratio, $K_f = \frac{\text{r.m.s. value}}{\text{average value}} = \frac{0.707 \ I_m}{0.637 \ I_m} = 1.1$. (for sinusoidal alternating currents only)

In the case of sinusoidal alternating voltage also, $K_f = \frac{0.707 E_m}{0.637 E_m} = 1.11$

As is clear, the knowledge of form factor will enable the r.m.s. value to be found from the arithmetic mean value and vice-versa.

Crest or Peak or Amplitude Factor

It is defined as the ratio
$$K_a = \frac{\text{maximum value}}{\text{r.m.s. value}} = \frac{I_m}{I_m/\sqrt{2}} = \sqrt{2} = 1.414$$
 (for sinusoidal a.c. only)

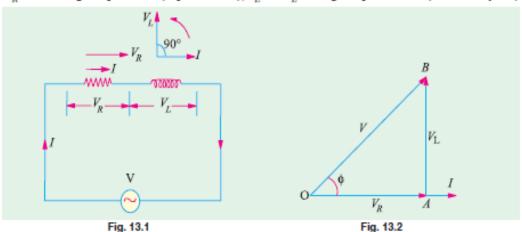
For sinusoidal alternating voltage also,
$$K_a = \frac{E_m}{E_m/\sqrt{2}} = 1.414$$

Knowledge of this factor is of importance in dielectric insulation testing, because the dielectric stress to which the insulation is subjected, is proportional to the maximum or peak value of the applied voltage. The knowledge is also necessary when measuring iron losses, because the iron loss depends on the value of maximum flux.

13.1. A.C. Through Resistance and Inductance

A pure resistance R and a pure inductive coil of inductance L are shown connected in series in Fig. 13.1.

Let V = r.m.s. value of the applied voltage, I = r.m.s. value of the resultant current $V_R = IR$ —voltage drop across R (in phase with I), $V_L = I.X_L$ —voltage drop across coil (ahead of I by 90°)



These voltage drops are shown in voltage triangle OAB in Fig. 13.2. Vector OA represents ohmic drop V_R and AB represents inductive drop V_L . The applied voltage V is the vector sum of the two i.e. OB

$$\therefore V = \sqrt{(V_R^2 - V_L^2)} - \sqrt{[(IR)^2 - (I \cdot X_L)^2]} - I \sqrt{R^2 - X_L^2}, \frac{V}{\sqrt{(R^2 - X_L^2)}} - I$$

The quantity $\sqrt{(R^2 + X_L^2)}$ is known as the *impedance* (Z) of the circuit. As seen from the impedance triangle ABC (Fig. 13.3) $Z^2 = R^2 + X_L^2$.

i.e. (Impedance)2 = (resistance)2 + (reactance)2

From Fig. 13.2, it is clear that the applied voltage V leads the current I by an angle ϕ such that

$$\tan \ \phi \ = \ \frac{V_L}{V_R} \ = \frac{I \cdot X_L}{I \cdot R} = \frac{X_L}{R} = \frac{\omega \, L}{R} = \frac{\mathrm{reactance}}{\mathrm{reactance}} \ \therefore \ \phi \ = \tan^{-1} \frac{X_L}{R}$$

Fig. 13.4

The same fact is illustrated graphically in Fig. 13.4.

In other words, current I lags behind the applied voltage V by an angle ϕ .

Hence, if applied voltage is given by $V = V_m \sin \omega t$, then current equation is

$$i = I_m \sin(\omega t - \phi)$$
 where $I_m = V_m / Z$

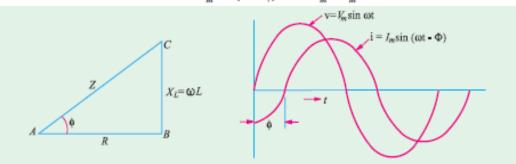


Fig. 13.3

In Fig. 13.5, I has been resolved into its two mutually perpendicular components, $I \cos \phi$ along the applied voltage V and $I \sin \phi$ in quadrature (i.e. perpendicular) with V.

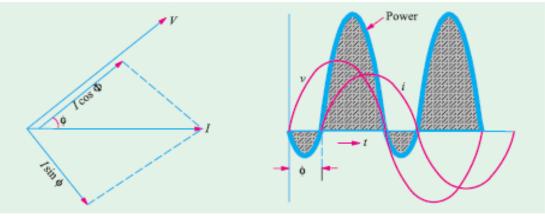


Fig. 13.6 Fig. 13.5

The mean power consumed by the circuit is given by the product of V and that component of the current I which is in phase with V.

So P=V× I cos φ=r.m.s. voltage× r.m.s. current× cos φ

The term 'cos of is called the power factor of the circuit.

4b.

Let a series R-L circuit draw a current of I when an alternating voltage of r.m.s. value V is applied to it. Suppose that current lags behind the applied voltage by 0. The three powers drawn by the circuit are as under:

(i) apparent power (S)

It is given by the product of r.m.s. values of applied voltage and circuit current.

$$S = VI = (IZ) \cdot I = I^2 Z \text{ volt-amperes } (VA)$$

(ii) active power (P or W)

It is the power which is actually dissipated in the circuit resistance. $P = I^2R = VI \cos \phi$ watts

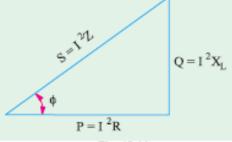
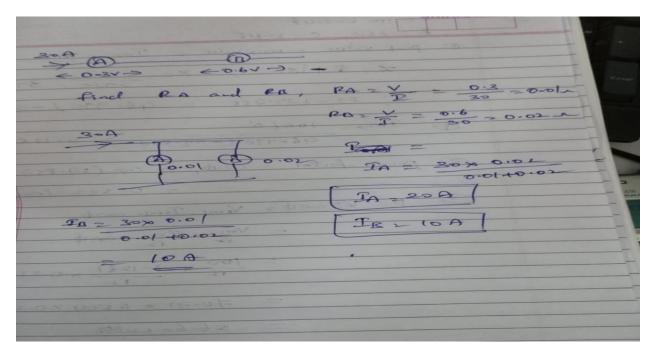


Fig. 13.11

$$Q = I^*X_I = I^*$$
, $Z \sin \phi = I$. (IZ). $\sin \phi = VI \sin \phi$ volt-amperes-reactive (VAR)

It is the power developed in the inductive reactance of the circuit. $Q = I^2 X_L = I^2$, $Z \sin \phi = I$. (IZ). $\sin \phi = VI \sin \phi$ volt-amperes-reactive (VAR) These three powers are shown in the power triangle of Fig. 13.11 from where it can be seen that

$$S^2 = P^2 + Q^2 \text{ or } S = \sqrt{P^2 + Q^2}$$



1 a.

Ohm's law: -

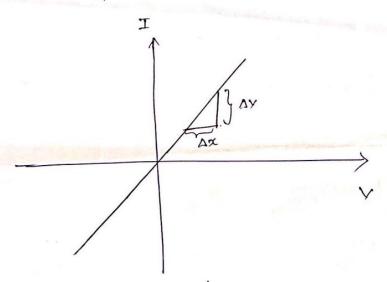
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$$\frac{V}{I} = constant$$

$$= R(-1)$$

R-constant of proportionality - resistance of the conductor.

Graphical representation of Ohm's law:



Slope =
$$\frac{AV}{AX} = \frac{I}{V} = \frac{1}{R} = G_1$$

G is conductance (siemens) (-v)

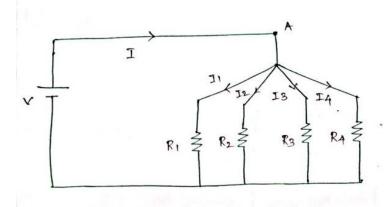
L'initations - OHM'S LAW

- 1) It cannot be applied to non-linear devices like diodes, zener diodes, transistors, voltage regulator etc.
 - 2) Ohm's law is applicable as long as temperature and other physical parameters remains constant
 - 3) It cannot be applied to complicated crits
 having more no of branches and employees.
 - 4) Not suitable por non-metallic conductors
 like silicon carbide, graphite etc.

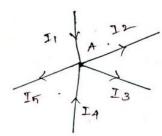
KIRCHHOFF'S CURRENT / POINT LAW: [KCL]

In any electrical network, the algebraic sum of the currents meeting at a point on junction is zero. i.e ZJ=0.

i.e total current leaving a junction is equal to the total current entuing that junction.



I = I, +I2+I3+I4



I,+I4 = I2+ I3+ I5

KIRCHOFF'S VOLTAGE / MESH LAW: [NVL]

The algebraic sum of voltages [voltage drop+e.m around a closed loop or circuit is zero.

ZIR+Ze.mif =0.

Determination of roltage sign:-:

Rise in voltage tre sign.

Fall in voltage -re rign.

→ I
A + R - B

Fall in voltage -re sign.

→ dir

- Light Rissein voltage tre sign.

A Ri

it should be noted that sign of voltage drop depends on the direction of current and is depends on the postarity of the emp of independent of the circuit under consideration.