

# TUTORIAL - D.C. GENERATORS PART 1

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## *Section A*

In the following statements one of the suggested answers is best. Place the identifying letter on your answer sheet.

1. A DC generator converts \_\_\_\_\_ energy to \_\_\_\_\_ energy.
  - (a) electrical, mechanical
  - (b) electrical, electrical
  - (c) chemical, electrical
  - (d) mechanical, electrical
  
2. The principle by which emf's are generated in a DC generator is:
  - (a) electromagnetic induction.
  - (b) Lenz's law .
  - (c) self inductance.
  - (d) chemical reaction.
  
3. The function of the commutator in a DC generator is to:
  - (a) connect the AC generated in the windings directly to an external circuit.
  - (b) convert the AC generated in the windings to DC when connecting to an external circuit.
  - (c) supply an external current to the armature to drive the generator.
  - (d) allow the generator to be converted to a motor.

4. The windings for the magnetic field system are mounted on the:
- (a) Armature.
  - (b) Commutator.
  - (c) Frame.
  - (d) Pole cores.
5. The value of the generated emf's in the armature conductors is \_\_\_\_\_ to the field flux, and \_\_\_\_\_ to the armature speed.
- (a) Proportional, proportional
  - (b) Proportional, inversely proportional
  - (c) inversely Proportional, proportional
  - (d) inversely Proportional, inversely proportional
6. To increase the output of a generator you could either \_\_\_\_\_ the field current or \_\_\_\_\_ the armature speed.
- (a) decrease, decrease
  - (b) increase, decrease
  - (c) increase, increase
  - (d) decrease, increase
7. The relationship between current, magnetic flux and the force applied to a conductor within a generator can be determined by:
- (a) Fleming's right hand rule.
  - (b) Fleming's left hand rule.
  - (c) Faraday's right hand rule.
  - (d) Faraday's left hand rule.

*Section B:*

Blank spaces in the following statements represent omissions. Write the appropriate information.

8. The conductors for the field system of a generator are located in the \_\_\_\_\_.
9. To connect the generated emf's to an external circuit, a \_\_\_\_\_ and carbon \_\_\_\_\_ are employed.

10. The function of the \_\_\_\_\_ is to convert the \_\_\_\_\_ voltage generated within the armature conductors to the D.C. voltage available at the generator terminals.
11. The generator field can be either \_\_\_\_\_ excited or \_\_\_\_\_ excited.
12. To determine the polarity of the induced emf's within the armature conductors you would use Flemming's \_\_\_\_\_ hand rule.
13. Maximum emf will be induced in the armature conductors when cutting the field flux at \_\_\_\_\_.
14. If more turns are added to the armature conductors, the generated voltage will \_\_\_\_\_.
15. The emf induced into a conductor is proportional to the \_\_\_\_\_ of the magnetic field, the \_\_\_\_\_ of the conductor and the \_\_\_\_\_ of the conductor through the magnetic field.

*Section C:*

The following problems are to be solved with the aid of a calculator. Any working for a problem is to be fully shown. Where a problem involves calculating for circuit conditions, a neat and fully labelled circuit diagram (if not provided) is to accompany the question. Answers are to be expressed in the appropriate multiple or sub-multiple.

16. A single conductor of 150mm length is rotated through a field flux of 0.8T at a velocity of 10m/s. Determine the emf induced in the conductor. (1.2V)
17. Determine the flux density of the magnetic field required to generate 12.6V in a conductor with an effective length of 2m which moves through the magnetic field at 90° with a uniform velocity of 10.5m/s. (0.6T)
18. A generator is wound with 6 series connected coils, each wound with 40 turns. If the length of the armature is 200mm, the density of the flux is 1.25 Tesla and the armature rotates with a velocity of 2m/s, determine the generated output voltage of the generator. (240V)
19. A separately excited generator has an effective field flux of 0.02T, and is spins at 400 rpm. If the machine constant is 12, determine the generated voltage. (96V)
20. For the diagram of figure 27, label the following:
  - (a) the frame
  - (b) the field coil
  - (c) the armature
  - (d) the field pole

Include the diagram with your answer sheet.

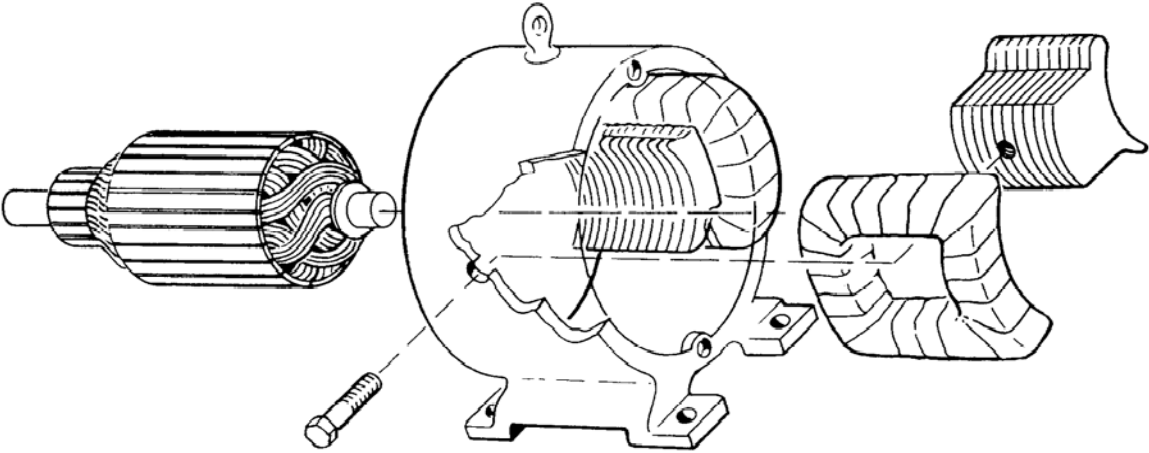


Figure 27.

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# TUTORIAL - DC GENERATORS PART 2

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*Section A*

In the following statements one of the suggested answers is best. Place the identifying letter on your answer sheet.

1. If a generator is connected for a shunt configuration, the field connections would be a \_\_\_\_\_ resistance field connected in \_\_\_\_\_ with the armature.
  - (a) High, series
  - (b) High, parallel
  - (c) Low, series
  - (d) Low, parallel
  
2. A self-excited shunt generator relies on \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ for its initial magnetic flux.
  - (a) Separate excitation
  - (b) Residual magnetism
  - (c) Field flashing
  - (d) Good luck
  
3. The generator type which is used for certain welding applications would be a \_\_\_\_\_ type.
  - (a) Differentially compounded
  - (b) cumulatively compounded
  - (c) shunt
  - (d) Series

*Section B*

For the following questions, complete the statements on your answer sheet with the word or phrase you think fits best.

4. When the field current in a separately excited generator is zero, the output voltage is not zero due to \_\_\_\_\_.
5. If the speed of the prime mover driving a generator is reduced, the output voltage will \_\_\_\_\_.
6. Increasing the load on a generator causes the prime mover speed to \_\_\_\_\_ due to the \_\_\_\_\_ developed by the armature current.
7. As the load on a generator increases, the terminal voltage \_\_\_\_\_. This is due to \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_ voltage drop.
8. The terminal voltage of a generator is the \_\_\_\_\_ between the generated voltage and the \_\_\_\_\_ voltage drop.
9. The open circuit characteristic of a separately excited generator shows the \_\_\_\_\_ of the magnetic material used in core.
10. For a self-excited generator to build up a generated emf, there must be \_\_\_\_\_ in the magnetic circuits of the machine.
11. Three types of self-excited generators are \_\_\_\_\_ connected, \_\_\_\_\_ connected and \_\_\_\_\_ connected.
12. A shunt connected generator will have a \_\_\_\_\_ terminal voltage at full load than at no load. This is due to the \_\_\_\_\_ effect of \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_ in the armature circuit.
13. If the speed of the prime mover driving a self-excited generator is \_\_\_\_\_, then the small emf generated by \_\_\_\_\_ will not increase sufficiently to build up the required magnetic flux.

Section C:

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14. A separately excited generator has an effective flux of  $8\text{mWb}$  and is operated at a speed of  $292\text{ rpm}$ . If the machine constant is  $12$ , determine the:
  - (a) generated voltage; ( $28\text{V}$ )
  - (b) no-load terminal voltage. ( $28\text{V}$ )
15. Determine the field flux required to produce a no-load voltage of  $240\text{V}$  in a separately excited generator rotating at  $600\text{rpm}$  with a machine constant of  $15$ . ( $26.7\text{mWb}$ )
16. Determine the speed a prime mover must drive a generator under no load to produce a terminal voltage of  $300\text{V}$ . The generator has an effective flux of  $20\text{mWb}$  and a machine constant of  $15$ . ( $1000\text{rpm}$ )
17. A generator has an armature resistance of  $0.15\Omega$  and a full load resistance of  $25\Omega$ . If the open circuit voltage is  $250\text{V}$ , determine the terminal voltage at full load. ( $248.5\text{V}$ )
18. A separately excited generator has an effective field flux of  $0.02\text{Wb}$ , a machine constant of  $12$  and spins at  $400\text{ rpm}$ . If the generator has an armature circuit resistance of  $0.15\Omega$  and an armature current of  $20\text{A}$ , determine the load voltage for this condition. ( $93\text{V}$ )
19. The generator shown in figure 36 has a machine constant of  $10$ , and effective flux of  $25\text{mWb}$  and is driven at  $1000\text{rpm}$ . Determine the:

- (a) Field current; ( $111\text{ mA}$ )
- (b) Generated voltage; ( $250\text{V}$ )
- (c) Armature current; ( $16.54\text{A}$ )
- (d) Terminal voltage ( $248\text{V}$ )
- (e) Armature circuit voltage drop. ( $2\text{V}$ )

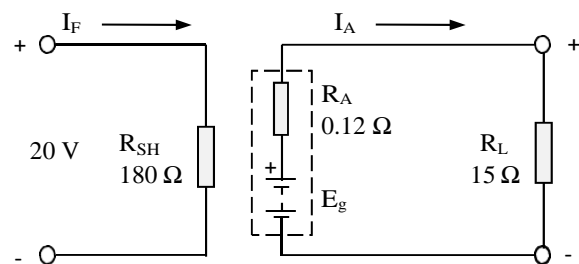


Figure 36.

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