

1. Industrial plant consumes the active power  $P = 1280\text{kW}$  with power factor  $\cos \varphi = 0,76$ . Calculate consumed apparent power and find out how the power factor is changed if we add a capacitor bank with the size  $Q_c = 550\text{kvar}$  (reactive power).

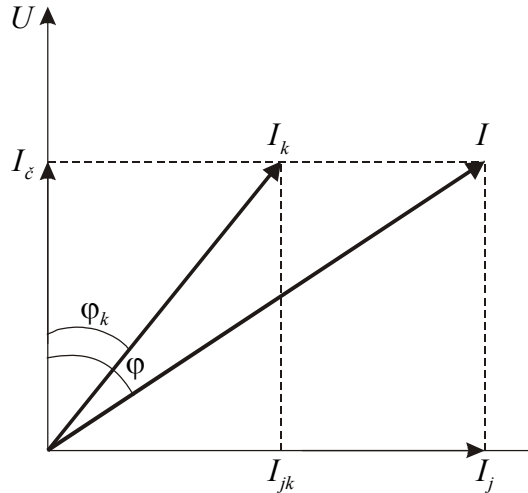


Fig. 1 – Phasor diagram (by compensation)

Calculation of apparent power:

$$S = \frac{P}{\cos \varphi} = \frac{1280}{0,76} = 1684\text{kVA} . \quad (1.1)$$

The power factor  $\cos \varphi = 0,76$  corresponds to  $\sin \varphi = 0,65$

The reactive power:

$$Q = S \cdot \sin \varphi = 1684 \cdot 0,65 \doteq 1095 \text{ kVAr} \quad (1.2)$$

Adding the capacitor bank (see Fig. 1) compensates the reactive power  $Q$  partially to the value:

$$Q_k = Q - Q_c = 1095 - 550 = 545 \text{ kVAr} . \quad (1.3)$$

Before compensation:

$$\text{tg} \varphi = \frac{Q}{P} = \frac{1095}{1280} \doteq 0,86 , \quad (1.4)$$

The phase angle is  $\varphi \doteq 40,7^\circ$ .

After compensation:

$$\text{tg} \varphi_k = \frac{Q_k}{P} = \frac{545}{1280} \doteq 0,43 , \quad (1.5)$$

This corresponds to the phase angle  $\varphi_k \doteq 23^\circ$ . The power factor after compensation will be  $\cos \varphi_k = 0,92$ .

2. Industrial plant is supplied from 22/0,4kV transformer with nominal apparent power  $S_n = 800\text{kVA}$ . Mean consumed active power is  $P = 460\text{kW}$  with power factor  $\cos \varphi = 0,79$ . Calculate the needed reactive power for compensation to the power factor  $\cos \varphi_k = 0,95$  for the mean consumed active power. Further calculate the reserve of active power which can be added to the transformer.

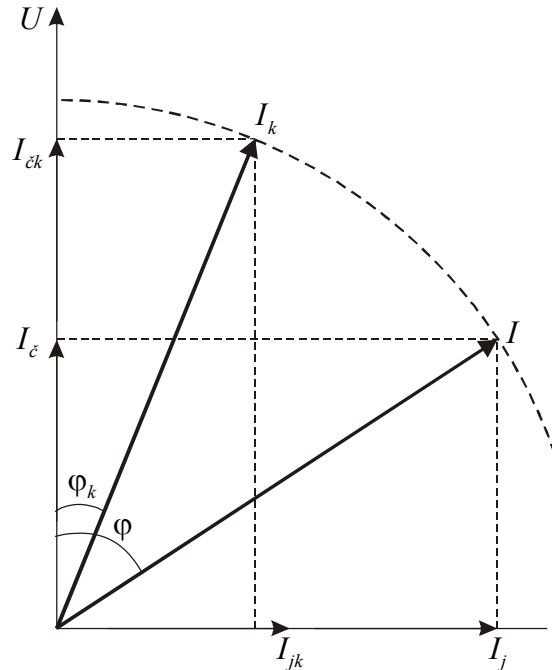


Fig. 2 – The proportion before and after compensation (while the same size of apparent power)

The power factor before compensation  $\cos \varphi = 0,79$  corresponds to  $\text{tg} \varphi \doteq 0,78$ . After compensation power factor is  $\cos \varphi_k = 0,95$  and this corresponds to  $\text{tg} \varphi_k = 0,33$ .

Consumed reactive power before compensation:

$$Q = P \cdot \text{tg} \varphi = 460 \cdot 0,78 \doteq 359 \text{ kVAr} . \quad (2.1)$$

Reactive power after compensation:

$$Q_k = P \cdot \text{tg} \varphi_k = 460 \cdot 0,33 \doteq 152 \text{ kVAr} . \quad (2.2)$$

Reactive power of capacitor bank:

$$Q_c = Q - Q_k = 359 - 152 = 207 \text{ kVAr} . \quad (2.3)$$

Before compensation the reserve active power  $P_{rez}$  can be calculated from the relation:

$$S_n = \sqrt{(P + P_{rez})^2 + Q^2} , \quad (2.4)$$

Hence

$$P_{rez} = \sqrt{S_n^2 - Q^2} - P = \sqrt{800^2 - 359^2} - 460 \doteq 255 \text{ kW} . \quad (2.5)$$

After compensation the reserve active power  $P_{rez}$  is higher:

$$P_{k rez} = \sqrt{S_n^2 - Q_k^2} - P = \sqrt{800^2 - 152^2} - 460 \doteq 325 \text{ kW} . \quad (2.6)$$


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3. The asynchronous motor 1600kW is working in discontinuous operation. It is working with nominal power with current 350 A for three minutes and in no-load mode with active power 100 kW and current 150 A for two minutes. The nominal voltage is  $U_n = 3\text{kV}$  .

Design the capacitor bank so that the power factor is  $\cos \varphi_k = 0,96$  for nominal power loading. Check up the power factor in no-load mode.

The motor nominal apparent power:

$$S_n = \sqrt{3} \cdot U_n \cdot I_n = \sqrt{3} \cdot 3 \cdot 10^3 \cdot 350 \doteq 1,82 \text{ MVA} . \quad (3.1)$$

The power factor without compensation:

$$\cos \varphi = \frac{P_n}{S_n} = \frac{1600 \cdot 10^3}{1,82 \cdot 10^6} = 0,879 . \quad (3.2)$$

The apparent power in no-load mode:

$$S_0 = \sqrt{3} \cdot U_n \cdot I_0 = \sqrt{3} \cdot 3 \cdot 10^3 \cdot 150 \doteq 779 \text{ kVA} , \quad (3.3)$$

and corresponding power factor

$$\cos \varphi_0 = \frac{P_0}{S_0} = \frac{100}{779} = 0,128 . \quad (3.4)$$

The reactive power without compensation:

$$Q = P \cdot \text{tg} \varphi = 1600 \cdot 10^3 \cdot 0,543 \doteq 869 \text{ kVAr} . \quad (3.5)$$

The reactive power when power factor is  $\cos \varphi_k = 0,96$  :

$$Q_k = P \cdot \text{tg} \varphi_k = 1600 \cdot 10^3 \cdot 0,292 \doteq 467 \text{ kVAr} . \quad (3.6)$$

The power of capacitor bank (for assigned power factor  $\cos \varphi_k = 0,96$ )

$$Q_c = Q - Q_k = 869 - 467 = 402 \text{ kVAr} . \quad (3.7)$$

The reactive power in no-load mode before compensation:

$$Q_0 = P_0 \cdot \text{tg} \varphi_0 = 100 \cdot 10^3 \cdot 7,75 \doteq 775 \text{ kVAr} . \quad (3.8)$$

Capacitor banks after compensation contribute 402 kVAr of the reactive power. The consumed reactive power from power grid in no-load mode after compensation will be:

$$Q_{0k} = Q_0 - Q_c = 775 - 402 = 373 \text{ kVAr} . \quad (3.9)$$

This value is equal to power factor after compensation in no-load mode with this equation:

$$Q_{0k} = P_0 \cdot \operatorname{tg} \varphi_{0k} , \quad (3.10)$$

Hence:

$$\operatorname{tg} \varphi_{0k} = \frac{Q_{0k}}{P_0} = \frac{373}{100} = 3,73 . \quad (3.11)$$

Power factor in no-load mode after compensation:  $\cos \varphi_{0k} \doteq 0,26$ .

The capacitor bank is constructed from three capacitors connected to the triangle (delta). Each capacitor supplies reactive power:

$$Q_{c1} = \frac{Q_c}{3} = 134 \text{ kVAr} \quad (3.12)$$

Capacity of each capacitor:

$$C_1 = \frac{Q_{c1}}{\omega \cdot U^2} = \frac{134 \cdot 10^3}{100 \cdot \pi \cdot 3000^2} \doteq 47,4 \text{ } \mu\text{F} \quad (3.13)$$