

Transformers

Session 2c of “Basic Electricity”
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Basic Electricity

Two Sections

- Electron Flow and Resistance
 - 5 on-line sessions
 - Lab
- Inductance and Capacitance
 - 5 on-line sessions
 - Lab

Mastery Test, Part 1

Basic Electricity (Continued)

- **Text:** “Electricity One-Seven,” Harry Mileaf,
Prentice-Hall, 1996, ISBN 0-13-889585-6
(Covers several Modules and more)
- **References:**
 - “Digital Mini Test: Principles of Electricity Lessons One and Two,” SNET Home Study Coordinator, (203) 771-5400
 - [Electronics Tutorial](#) (Thanks to Alex Pounds)
 - [Electronics Tutorial](#) (Thanks to Mark Sokos)
 - [Basic Math Tutorial](#) (Thanks to George Mason University)
 - [Vector Math Tutorial](#) (Thanks to California Polytec at atom.physics.calpoly.edu)

Section 2:

AC, Inductors and Capacitors

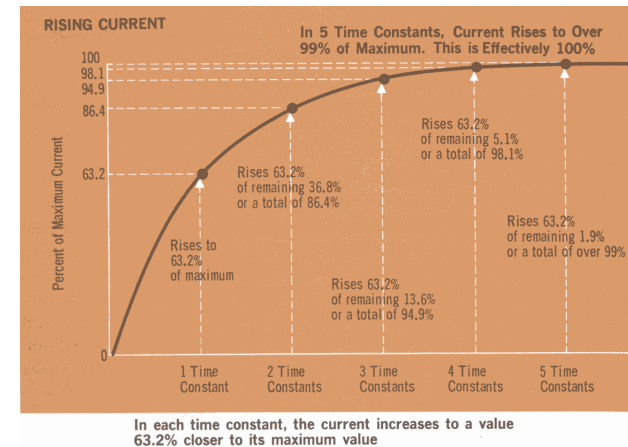
- **OBJECTIVES:** This section introduces AC voltage / current and additional circuit components (inductors, transformers and capacitors).

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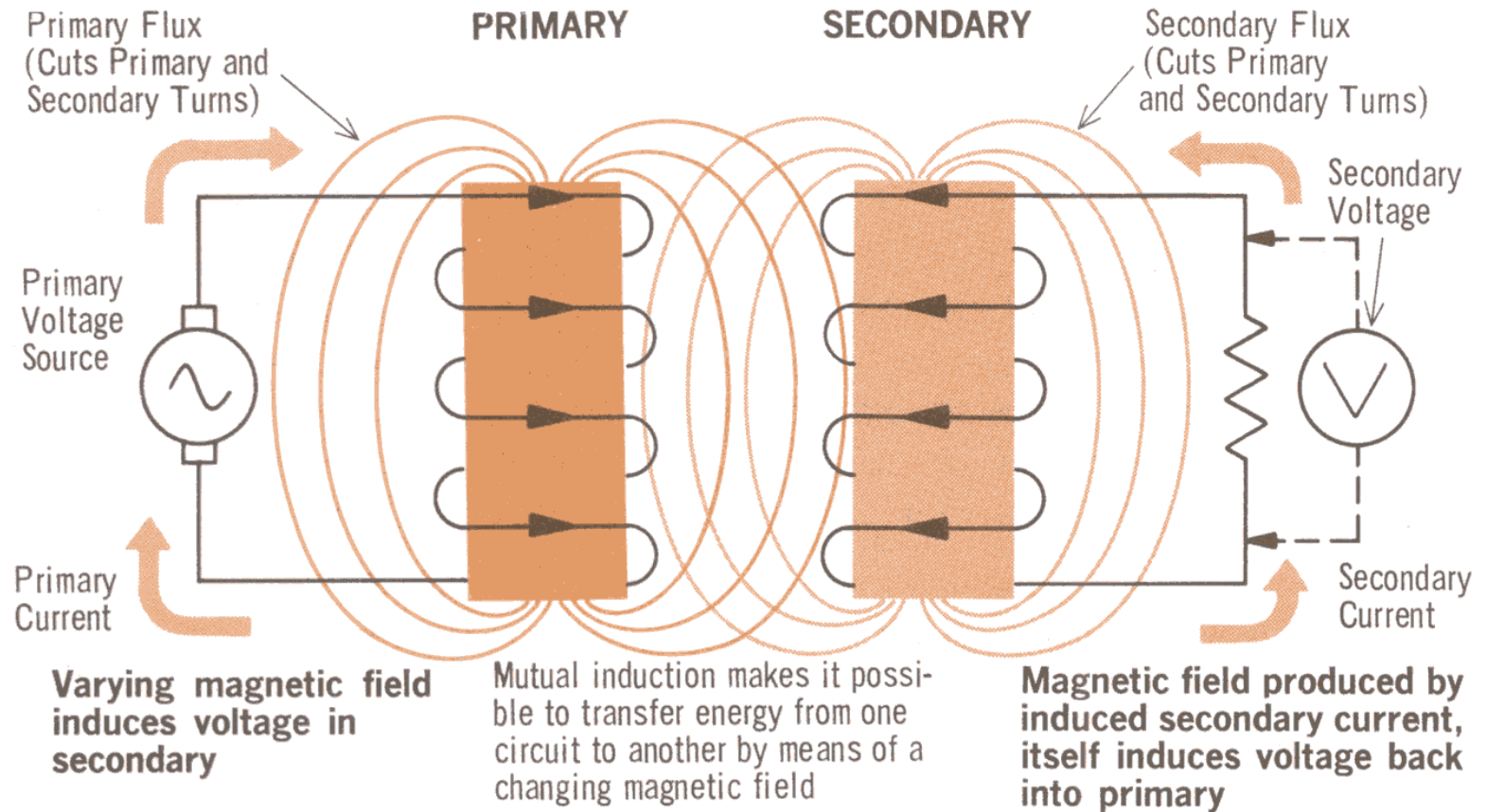
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Session 2c	– 04/08	Transformers	Text 3.74 – 3.100
Session 2d (lab - 04/13, Sat.)	– 04/10	Capacitors	Text 3.101 – 3.135
Session 2e	– 04/15	More Capacitors	Text 3.135 – 3.148
Session 2f	– 04/22	Review (Discuss Quiz_2)	

Inductor Session Review

- Inductors resist changes in their current with their “Reactance”
- Coiling a wire increases its inductance
- Time constant: $\tau = L/R$
- Inductor current “lags” the voltage 90° (Eli the ice man)
- Inductor Reactance ($X_L = 2\pi fL$) determines the current magnitude ($|I| = |V| / X_L$)
- Series and Parallel Inductors

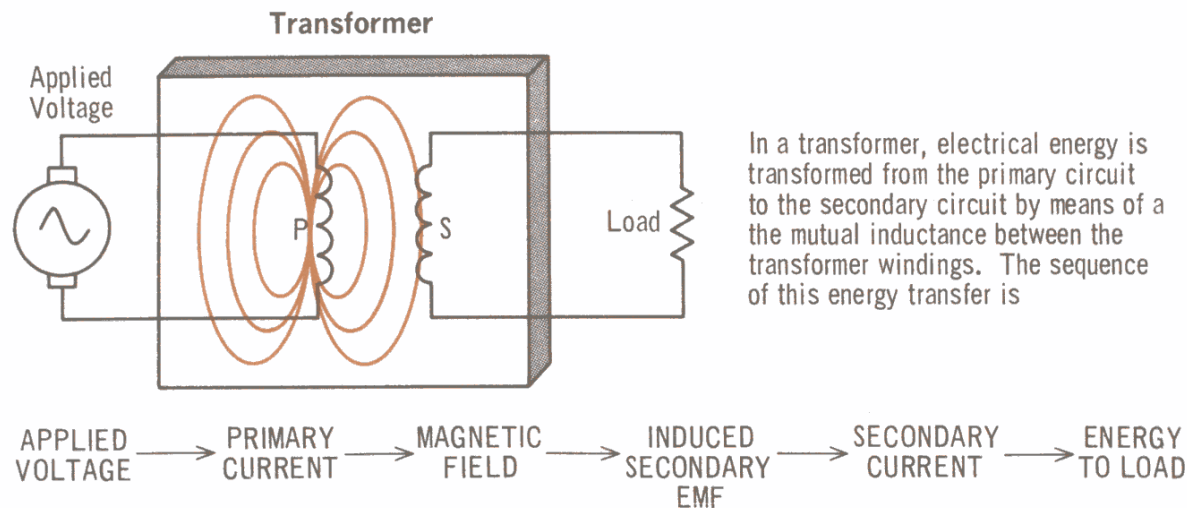


Mutual Inductance



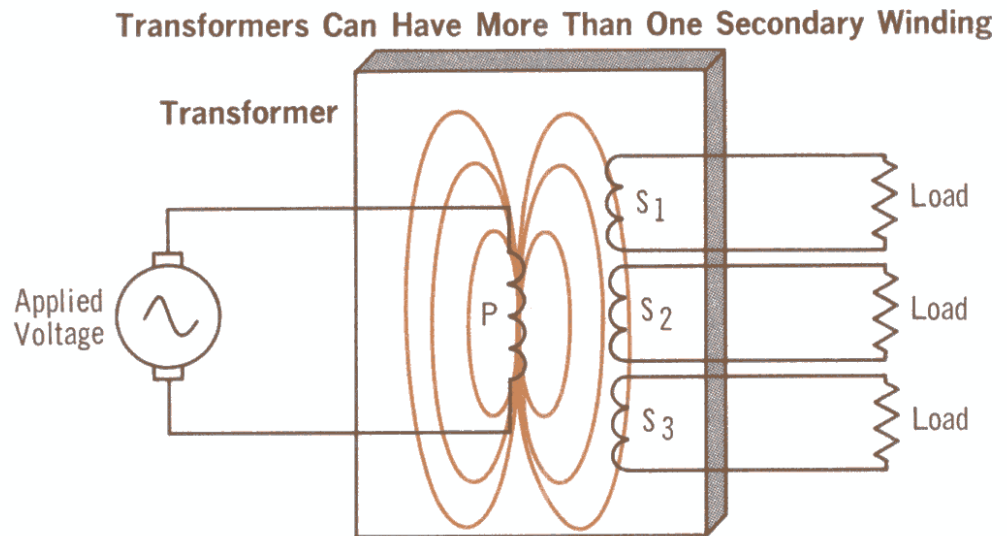
The Transformer

- Electrical energy is coupled from the “Primary” to the “Secondary”
- Provides “Isolation” (separate grounds)



Multiple Secondary Windings

- Divide power among several loads



Coupling Coefficient (k)

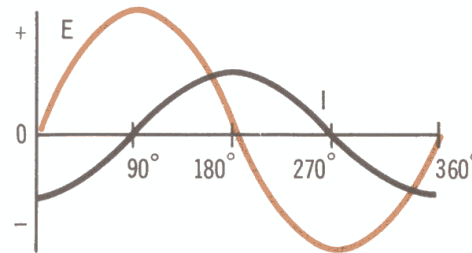
- Perfect coupling: all flux goes through both coils ($k=1$)
- Normally $k < 1$
$$M = k \sqrt{L_1 * L_2}$$

(M is the Mutual Inductance)

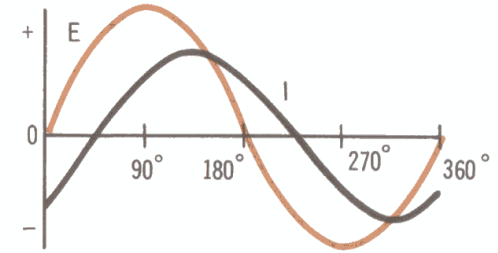
Phase Relationships

- Low power
 - Inductive load
- High power
 - Resistive load

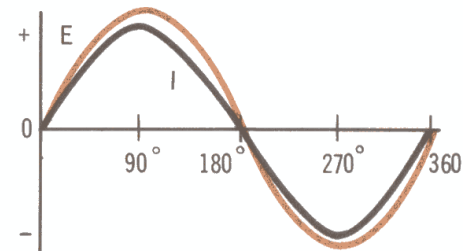
No-Load Current



Medium-Load Current

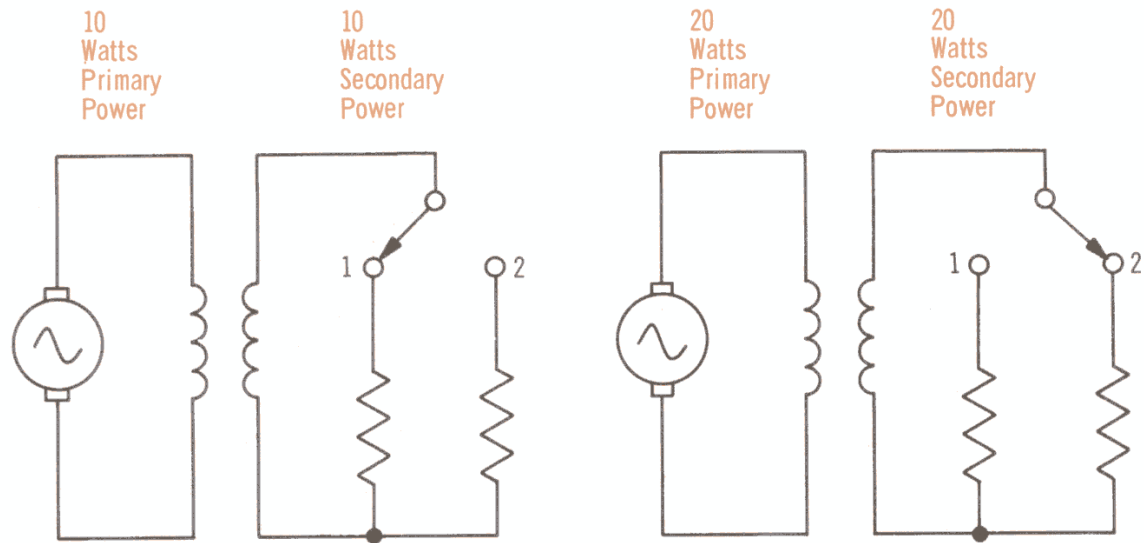


Heavy-Load Current



Transformers and Power

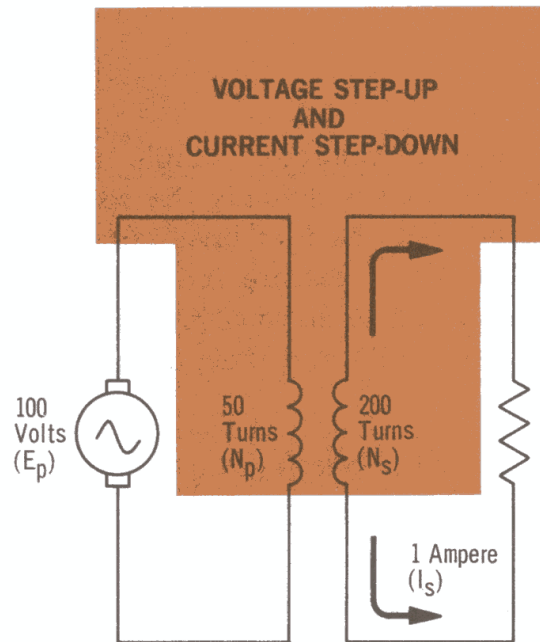
- Conservation of power



In an ideal transformer, the power in the primary circuit equals the power in the secondary circuit

Turns Ratio: Step Up

- $V_s = V_p * (N_s/N_p)$
- $I_s = I_p / (N_s/N_p)$



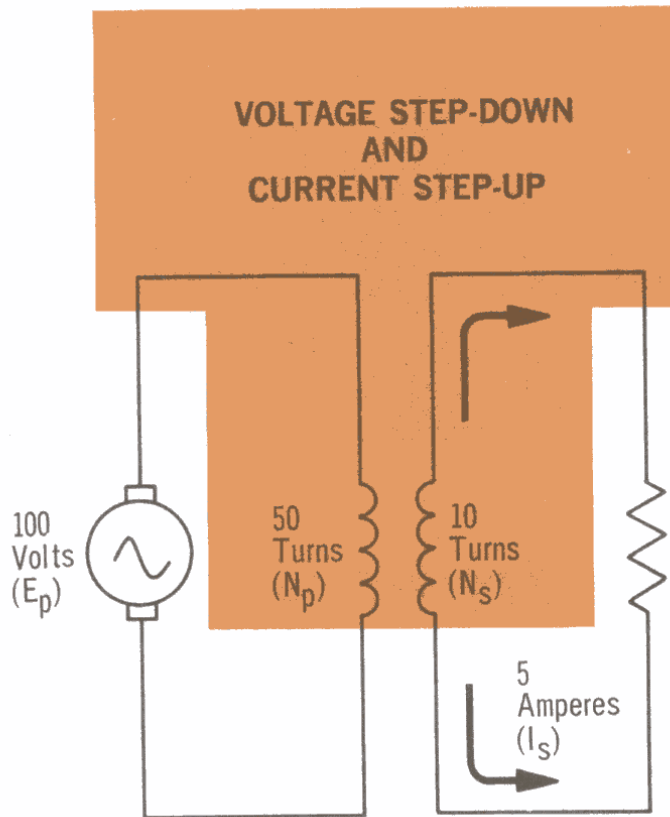
$$I_p = I_s (N_s/N_p) = 1 \times (200/50) = 4 \text{ amperes}$$

$$E_s = E_p (N_s/N_p) = 100 \times (200/50) = 400 \text{ volts}$$

$$P_p = E_p \times I_p = 100 \times 4 = 400 \text{ watts}$$

$$P_s = E_s \times I_s = 400 \times 1 = 400 \text{ watts}$$

Turns Ratio: Step Down



$$I_p = I_s (N_s/N_p) = 5 \times (10/50) = 1 \text{ ampere}$$

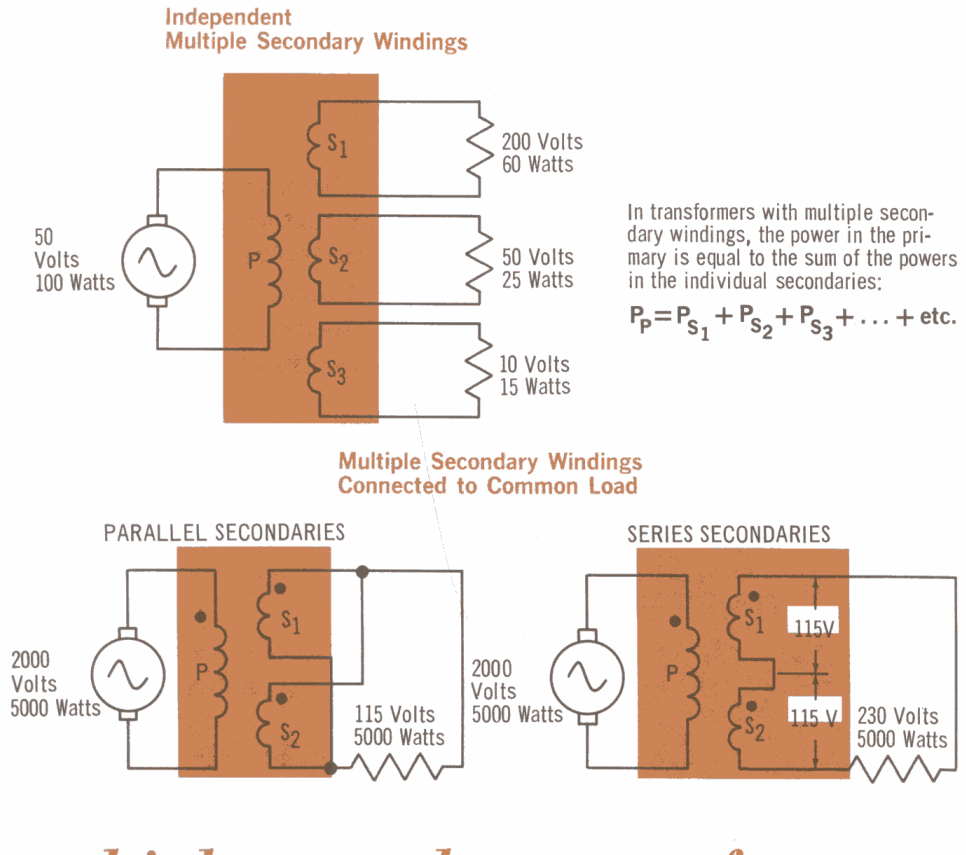
$$E_s = E_p (N_s/N_p) = 100 \times (10/50) = 20 \text{ volts}$$

$$P_p = E_p \times I_p = 100 \times 1 = 100 \text{ watts}$$

$$P_s = E_s \times I_s = 20 \times 5 = 100 \text{ watts}$$

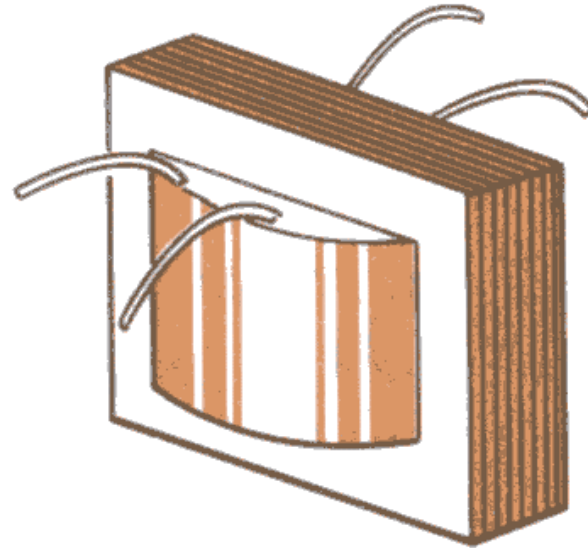
Multiple Secondary Windings (again)

- Provide multiple voltages
 - Total power conserved
- Windings in parallel
 - add current
- Windings in series
 - add voltage



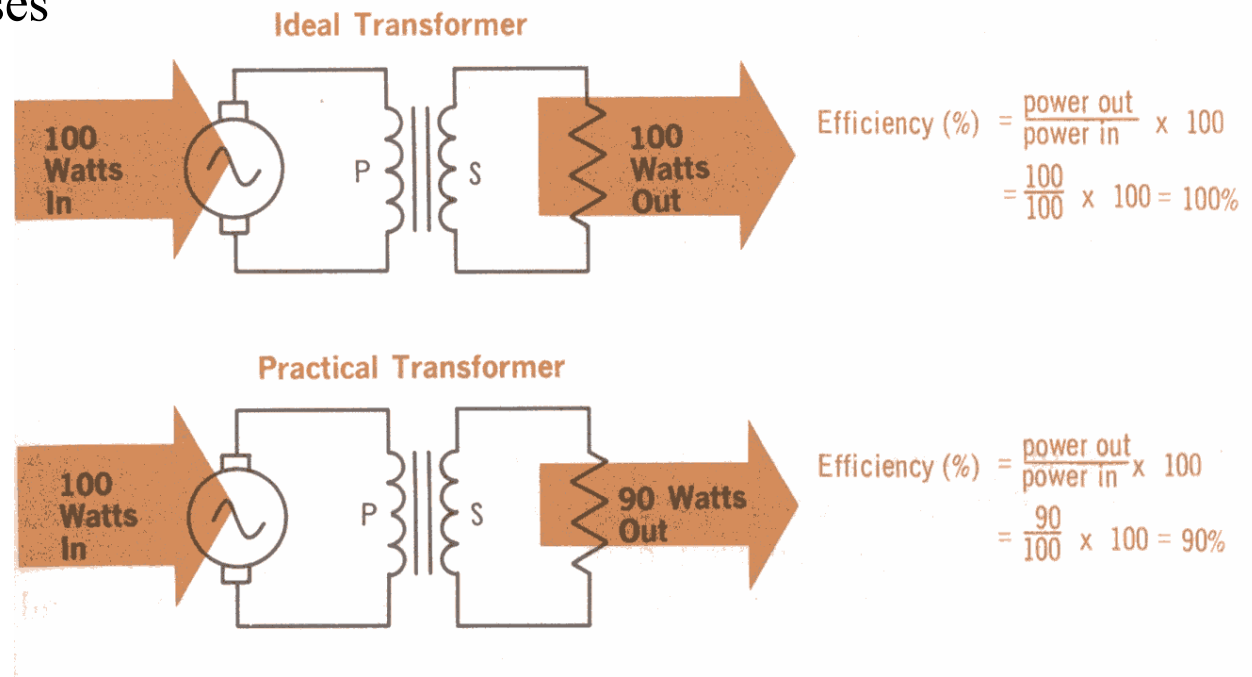
Real Transformers

- An “Iron Core” Transformer
 - Low frequency use
 - Power supplies
 - Home doorbell



Transformer Losses

- Conductor resistance
- Eddy currents
- Magnetic losses
 - Hysteresis
 - Saturation



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