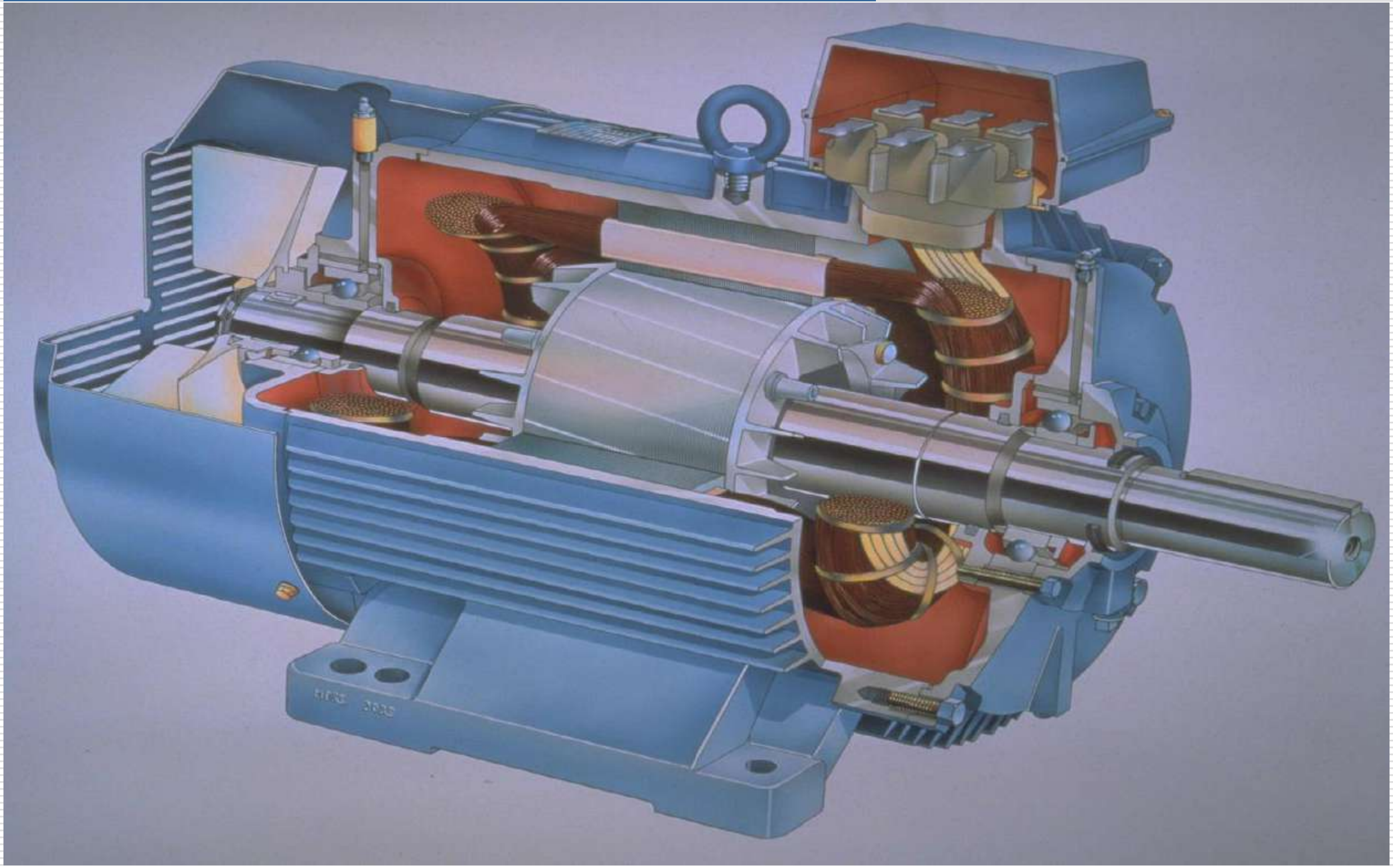
Induction Motors

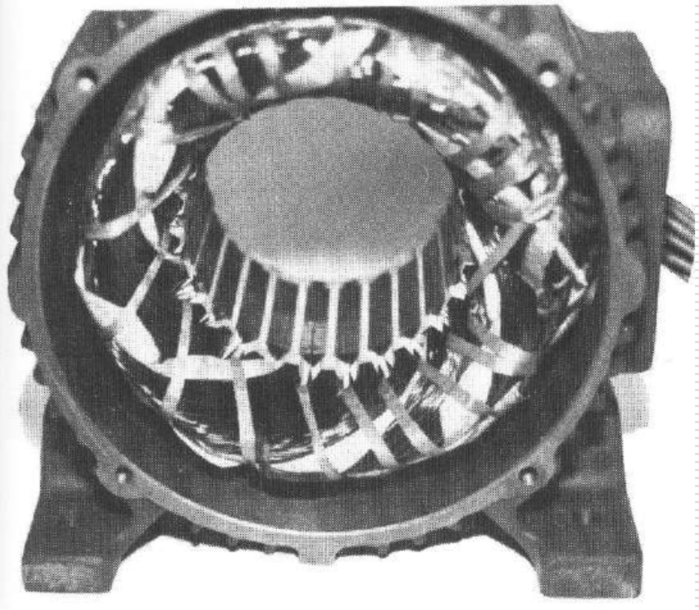


Introduction

- Three-phase induction motors are the most common and frequently encountered machines in industry
  - simple design, rugged, low-price, easy maintenance
  - wide range of power ratings: fractional horsepower to 10 MW
  - run essentially as constant speed from no-load to full load
  - Its speed depends on the frequency of the power source
    - not easy to have variable speed control
    - requires a variable-frequency power-electronic drive for optimal speed control

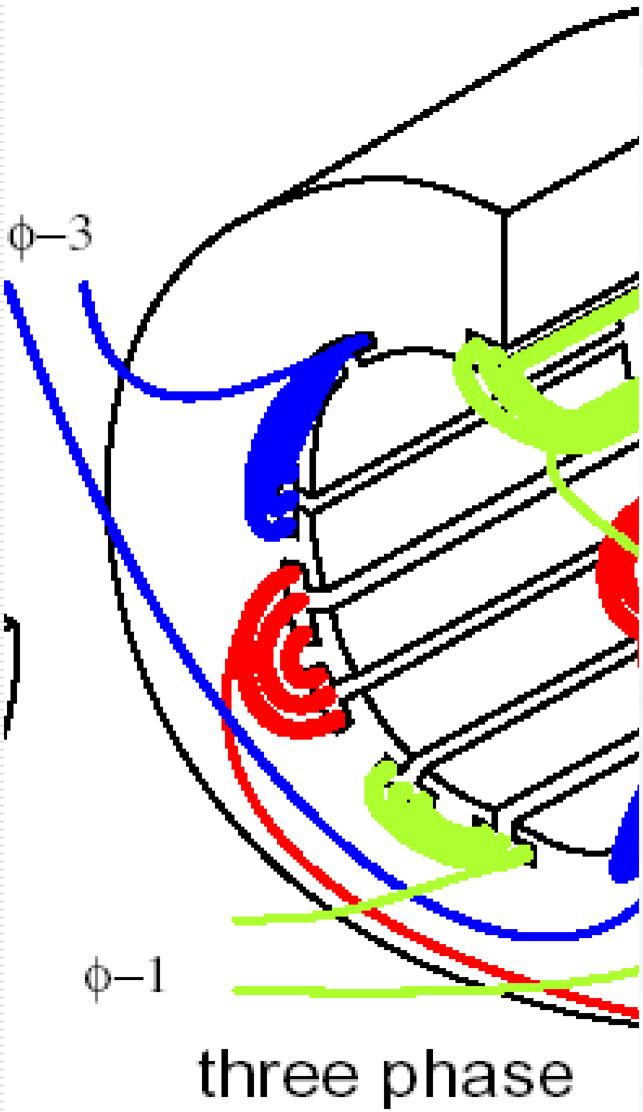
Construction

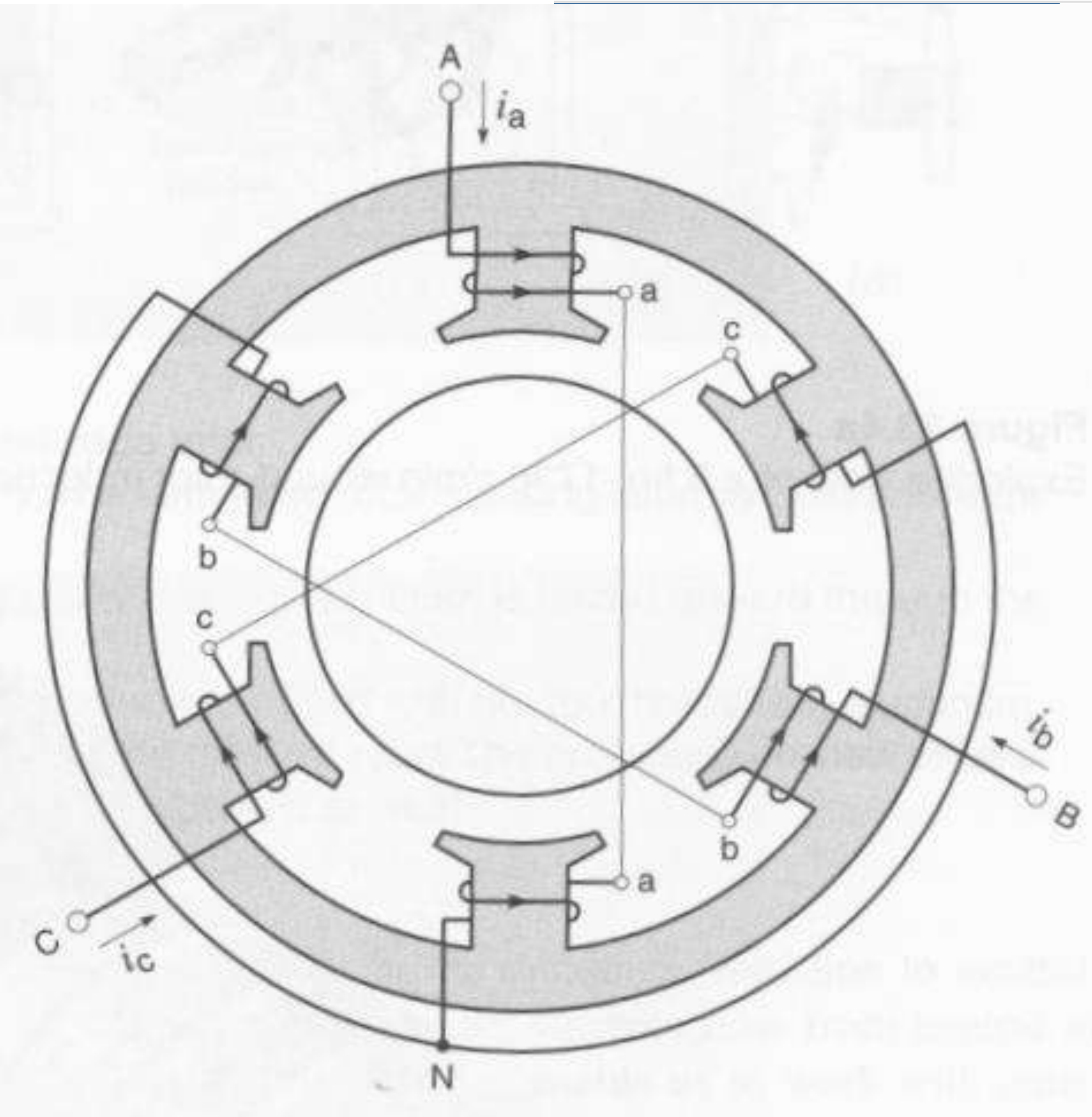
- An induction motor has two main parts
  - a stationary stator
    - consisting of a steel frame that supports a hollow, cylindrical core
    - core, constructed from stacked laminations (why?), having a number of evenly spaced slots, providing the space for the stator winding



Stator of IM

Stator of 3 phase induction motor





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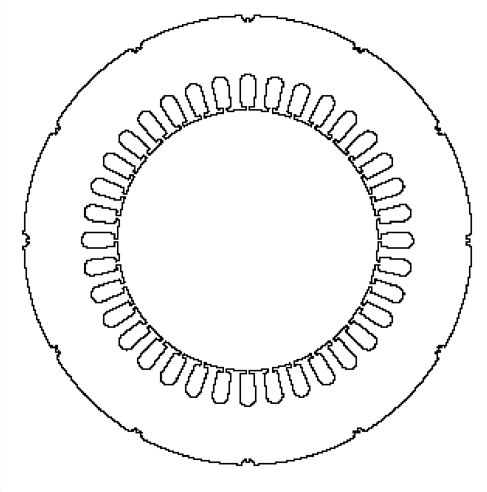

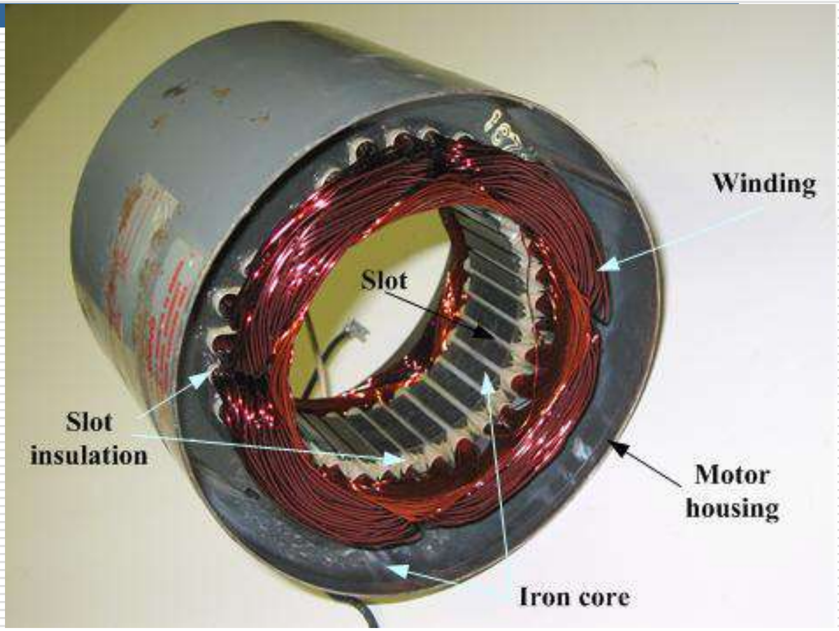

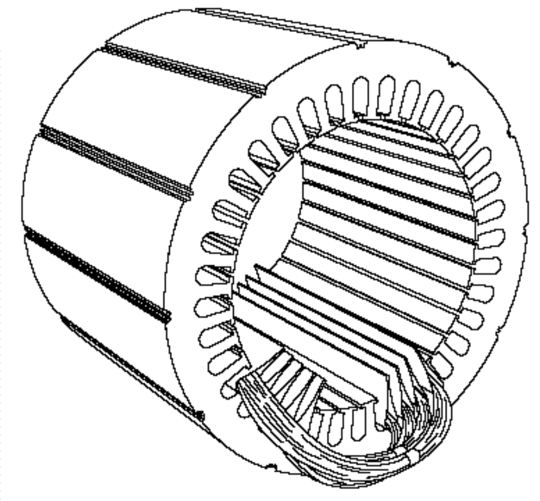

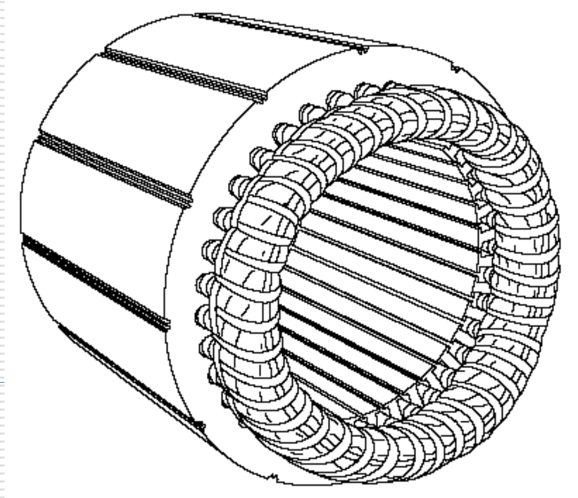

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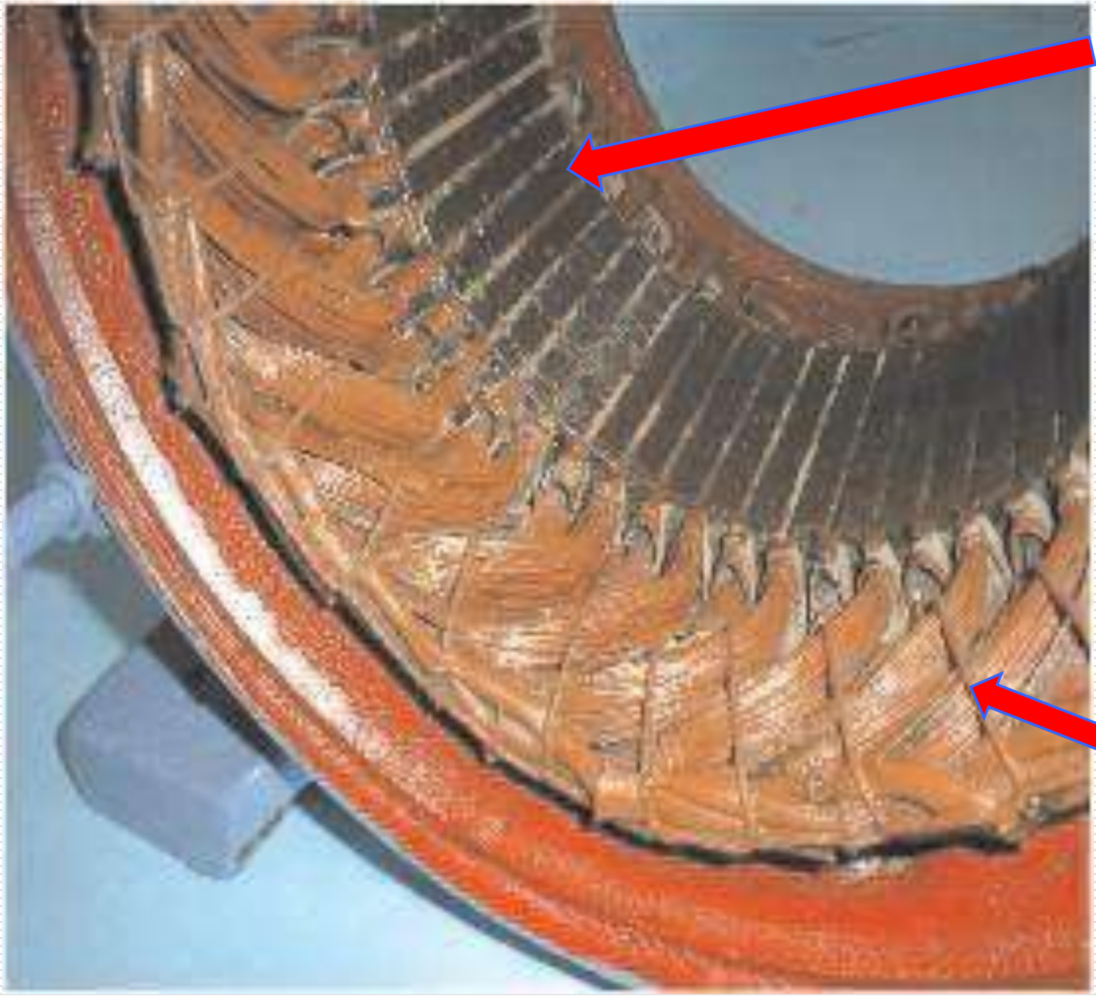
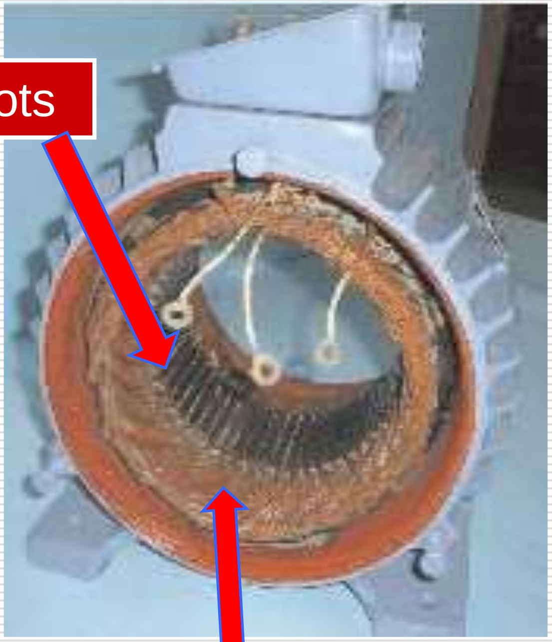




- slots
- Three phase windings

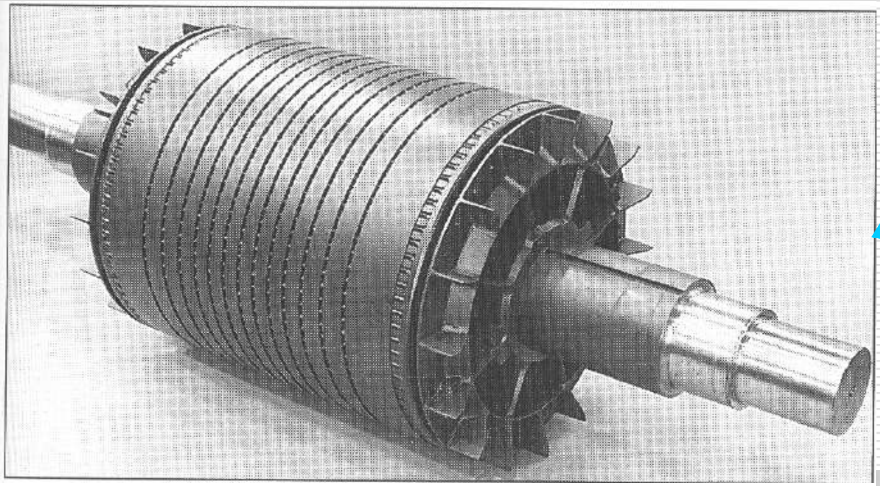
Construction

- **a revolving rotor**
  - composed of punched laminations, stacked to create a series of rotor slots, providing space for the rotor winding
  - one of two types of rotor windings
  - conventional 3-phase windings made of insulated wire (wound-rotor) » similar to the winding on the stator
  - aluminum bus bars shorted together at the ends by two aluminum rings, forming a squirrel-cage shaped circuit (squirrel-cage)

➢ Two basic design types depending on the rotor design

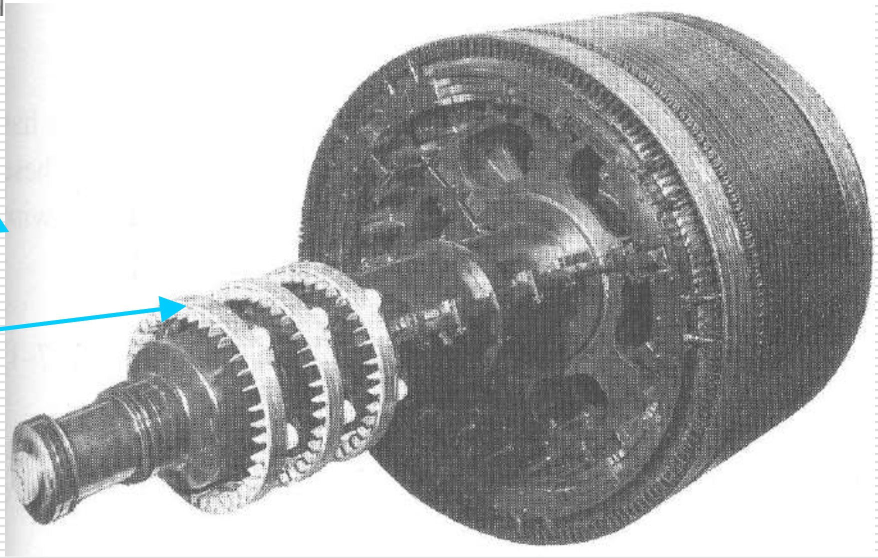
- **squirrel-cage**: conducting bars laid into slots and shorted at both ends by shorting rings.
- **wound-rotor**: complete set of three-phase windings exactly as the stator. Usually Y-connected, the ends of the three rotor wires are connected to 3 slip rings on the rotor shaft. In this way, the rotor circuit is accessible.

Construction of rotor



Squirrel cage rotor

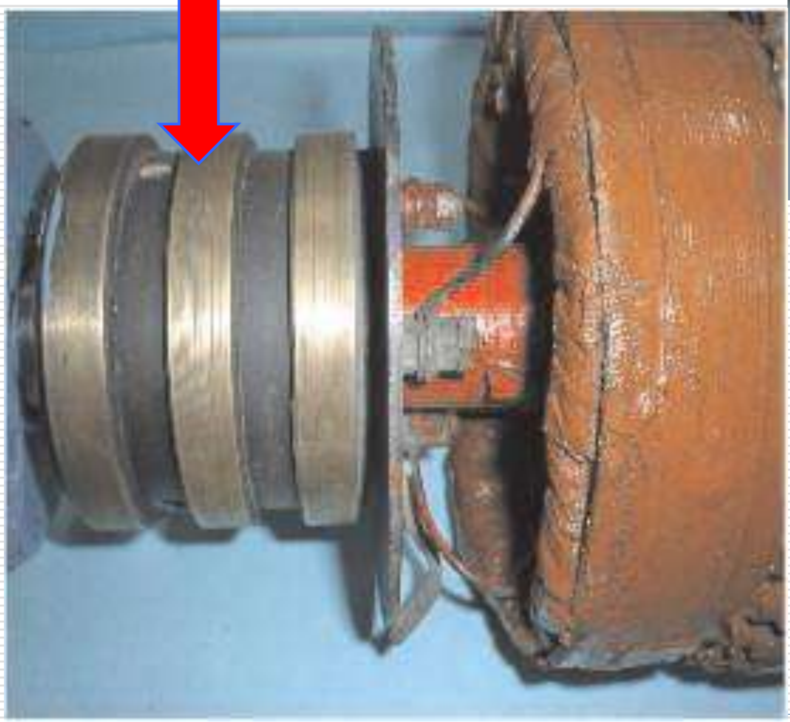
Wound rotor



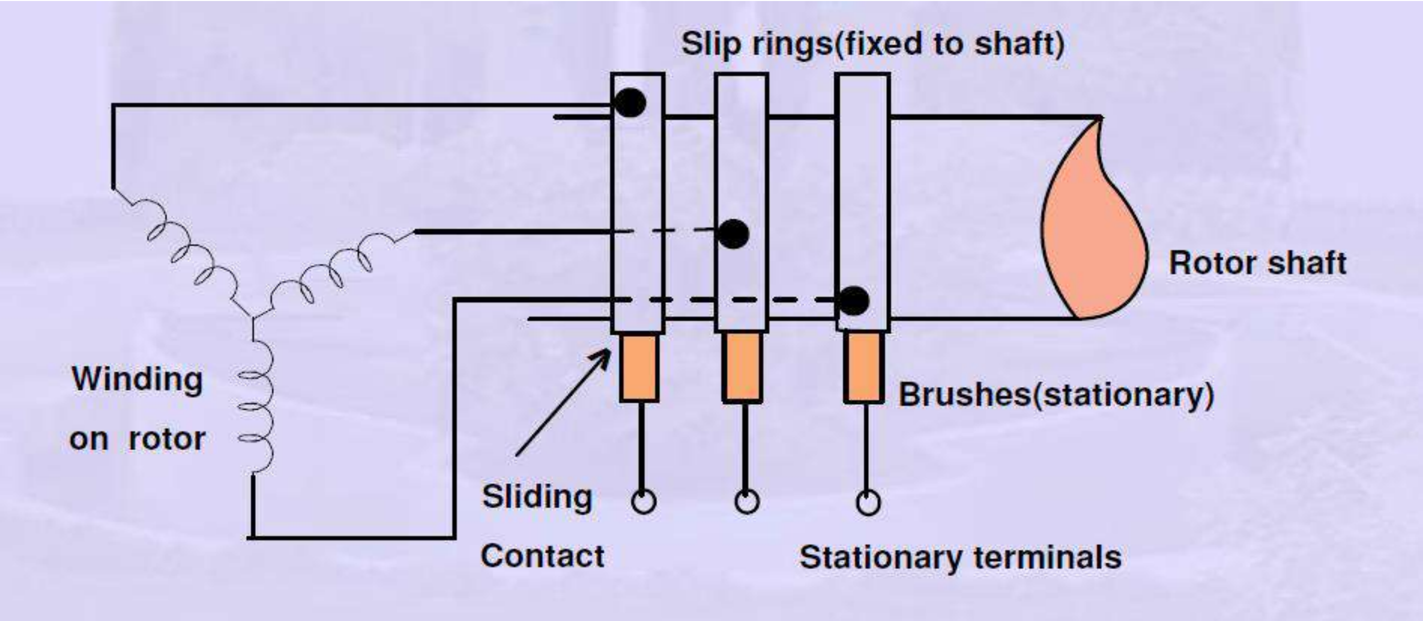
Notice the slip rings

Wound rotor

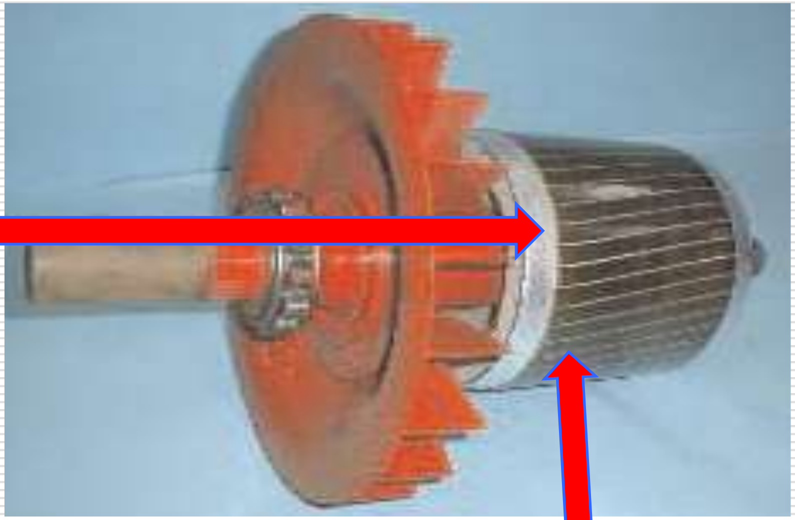
Slip Ring for 3 phase input



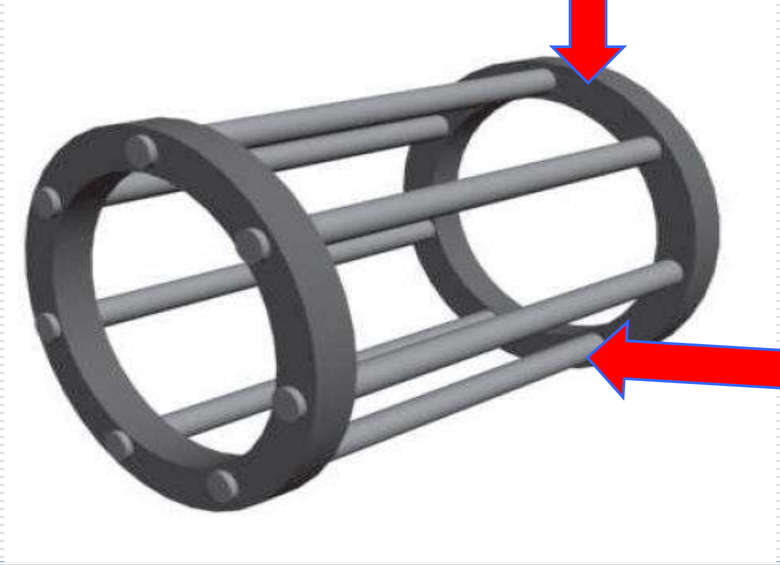
3 phase stator winding


Slip rings(fixed to shaft)
Rotor shaft
Winding
on rotor
Brushes(stationary)
Sliding
Contact
Stationary terminals

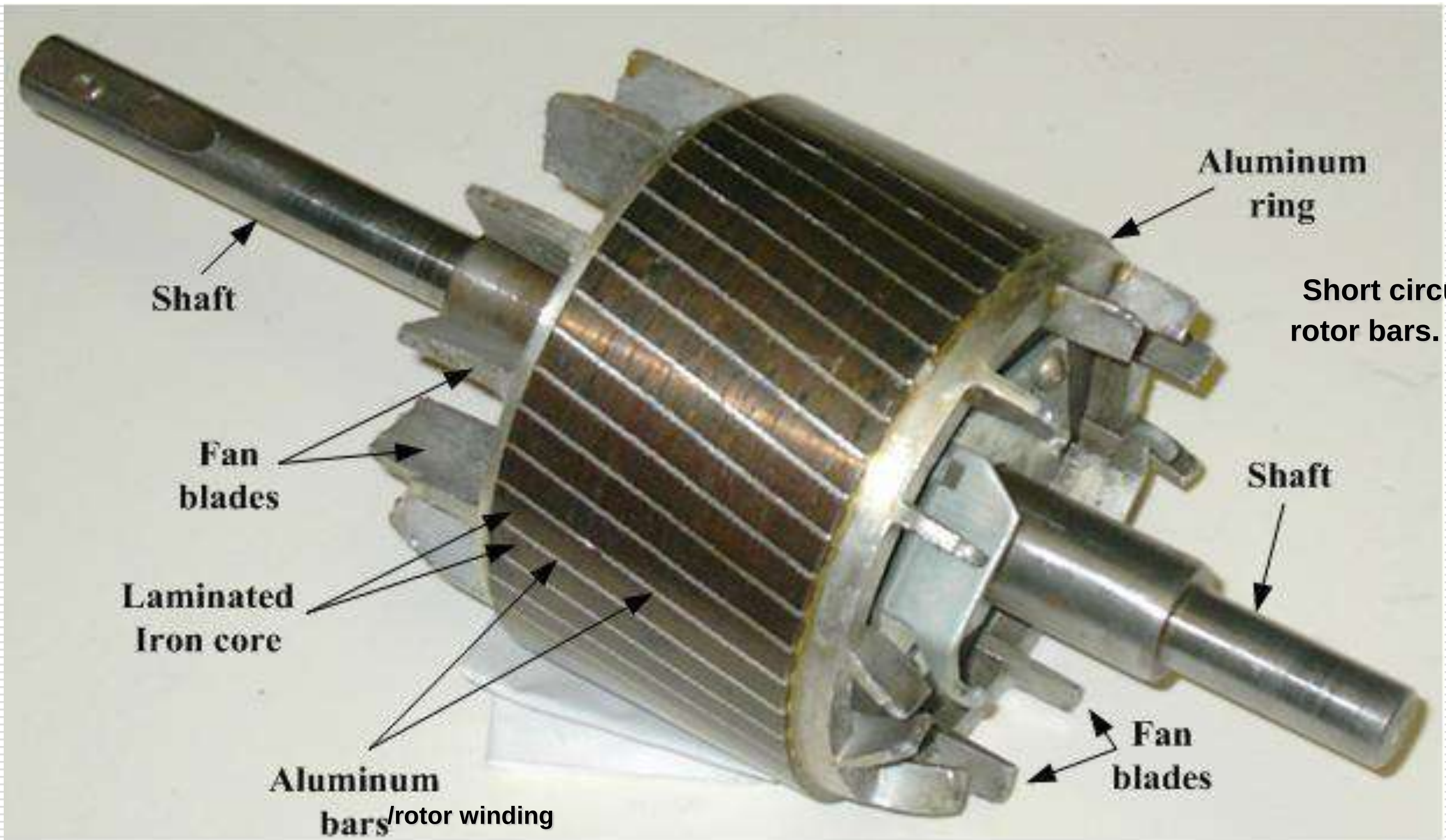
squirrel-cage



Short circuit end ring bar

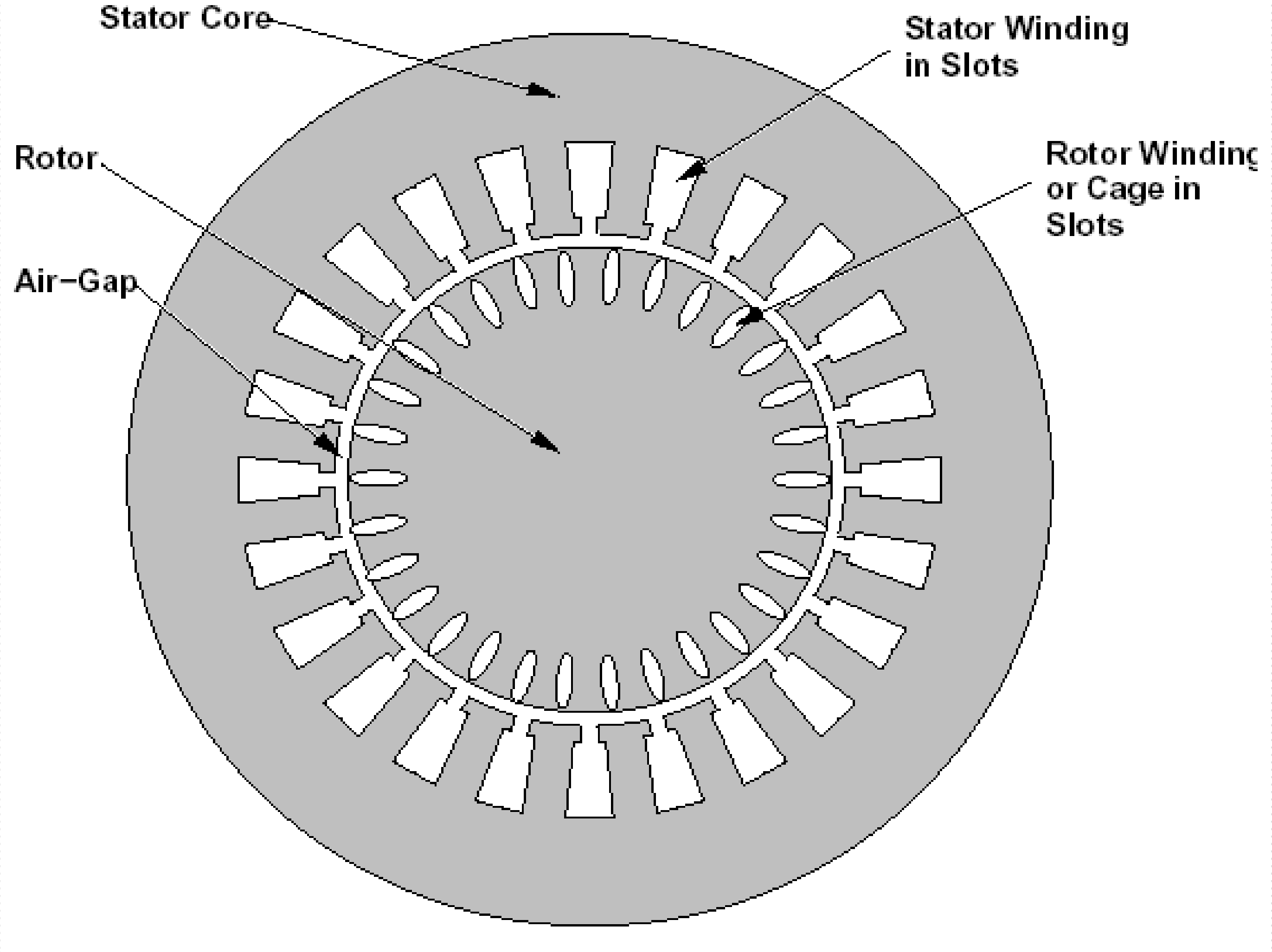


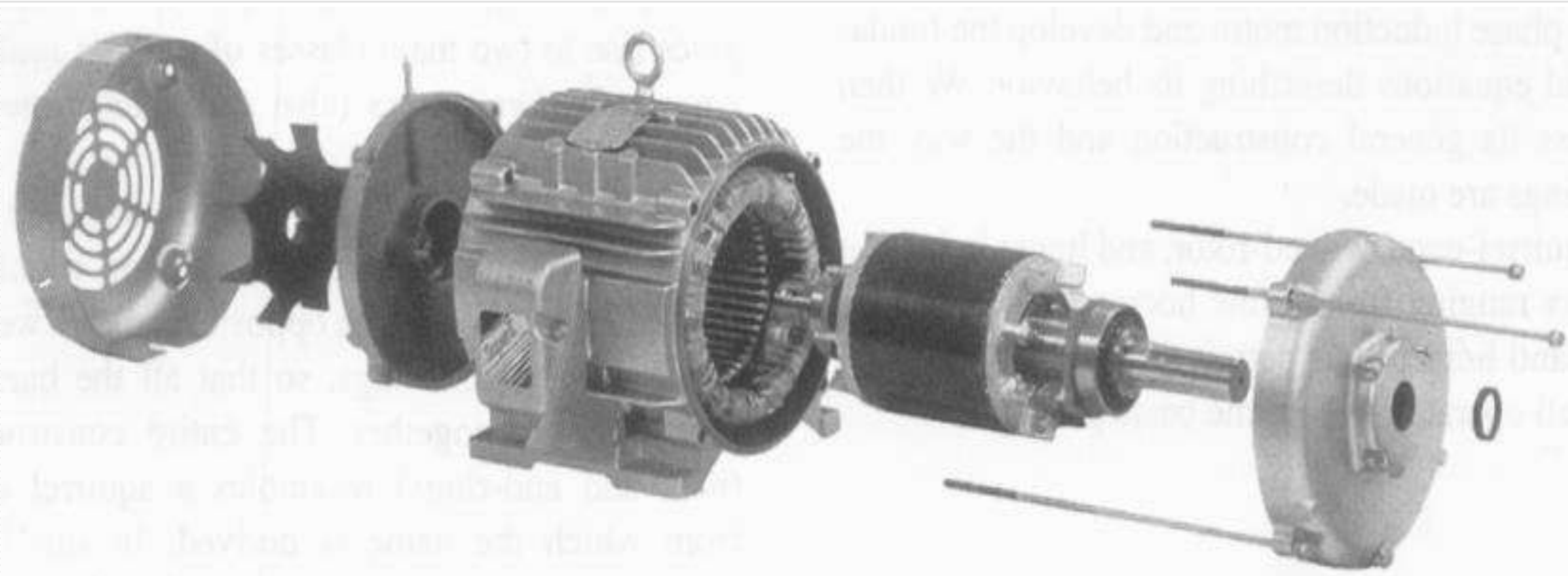
• copper or aluminium bars



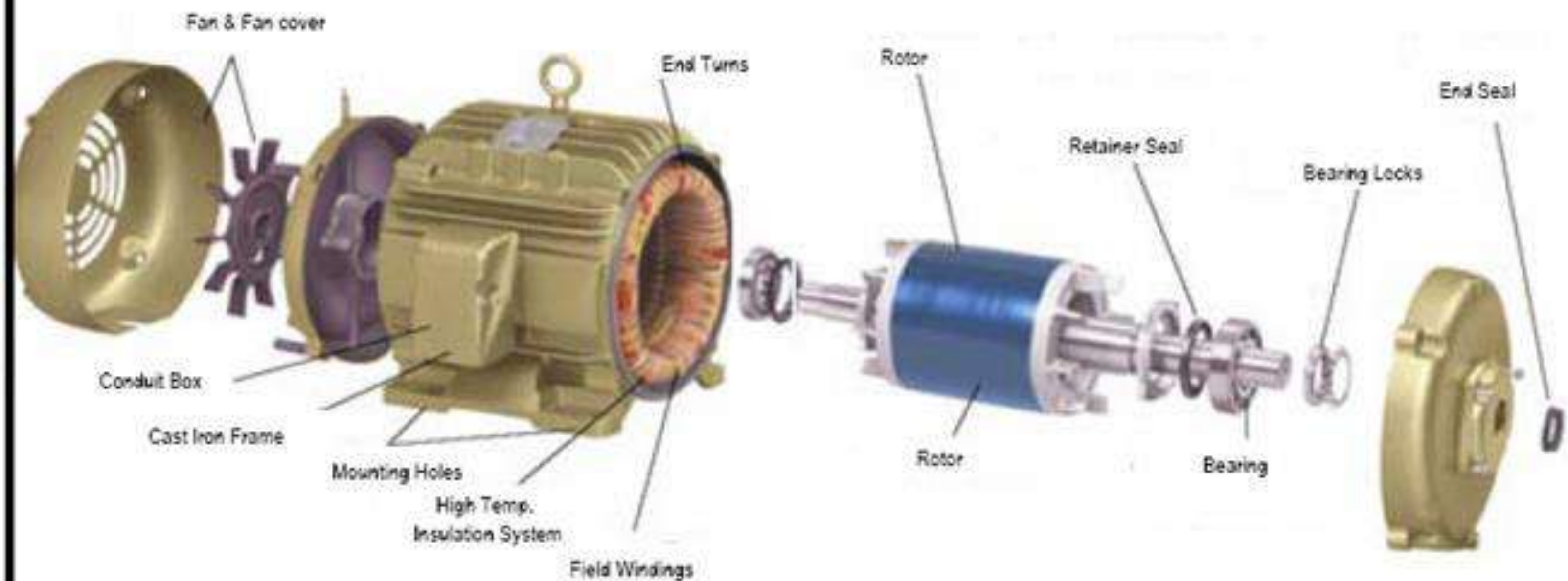
Short circuits all
rotor bars.

AXIAL VIEW OF AN INDUTION MOTOR





Parts of AC Motor



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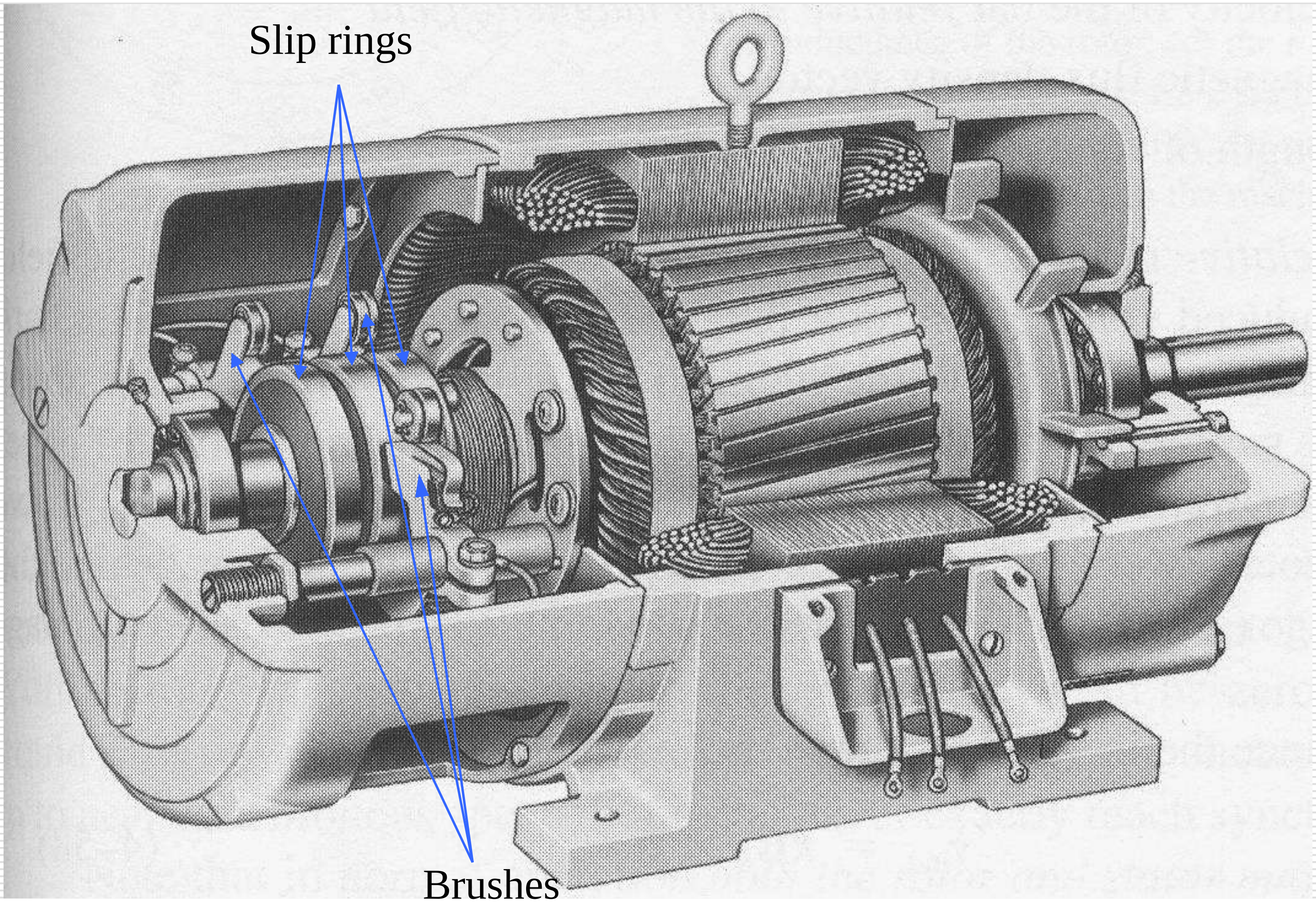
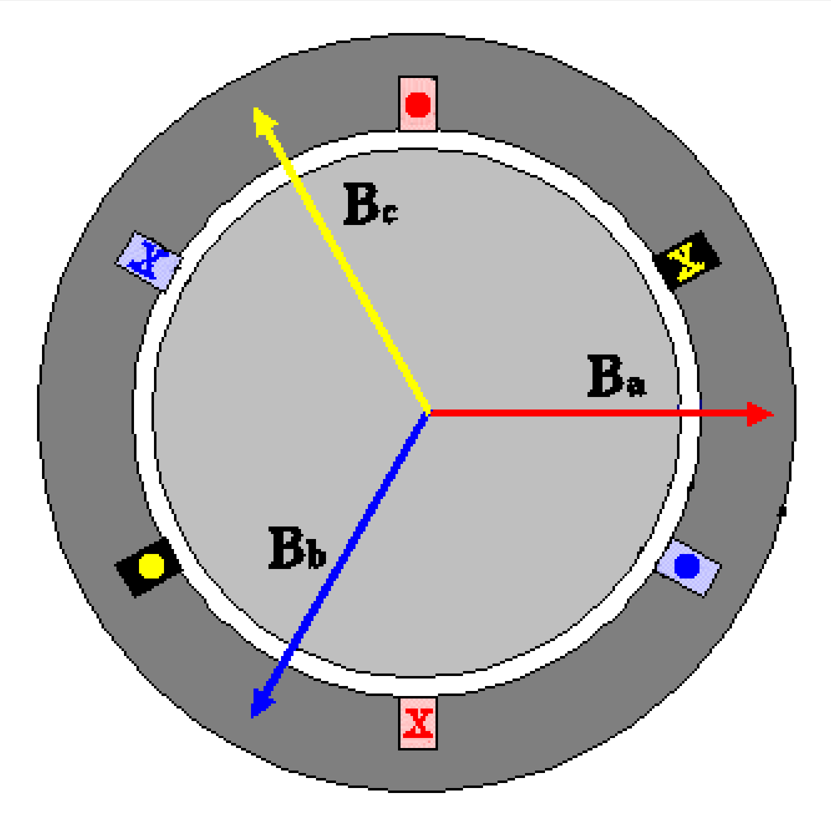


Cutaway in a typical wound-rotor IM. Notice the brushes and the slip rings

Rotating Magnetic Field

- Balanced three phase windings, i.e. mechanically displaced 120 degrees form each other, fed by balanced three phase source
- A rotating magnetic field with constant magnitude is produced, rotating with a speed

$$n_{sync} = \frac{120 f_e}{P} \quad rpm$$



Where f_e is the supply frequency and

P is the no. of poles and n_{sync} is called the synchronous speed in *rpm* (revolutions per minute)

Synchronous speed

P	50 Hz	60 Hz
2	3000	3600
4	1500	1800
6	1000	1200
8	750	900
10	600	720
12	500	600

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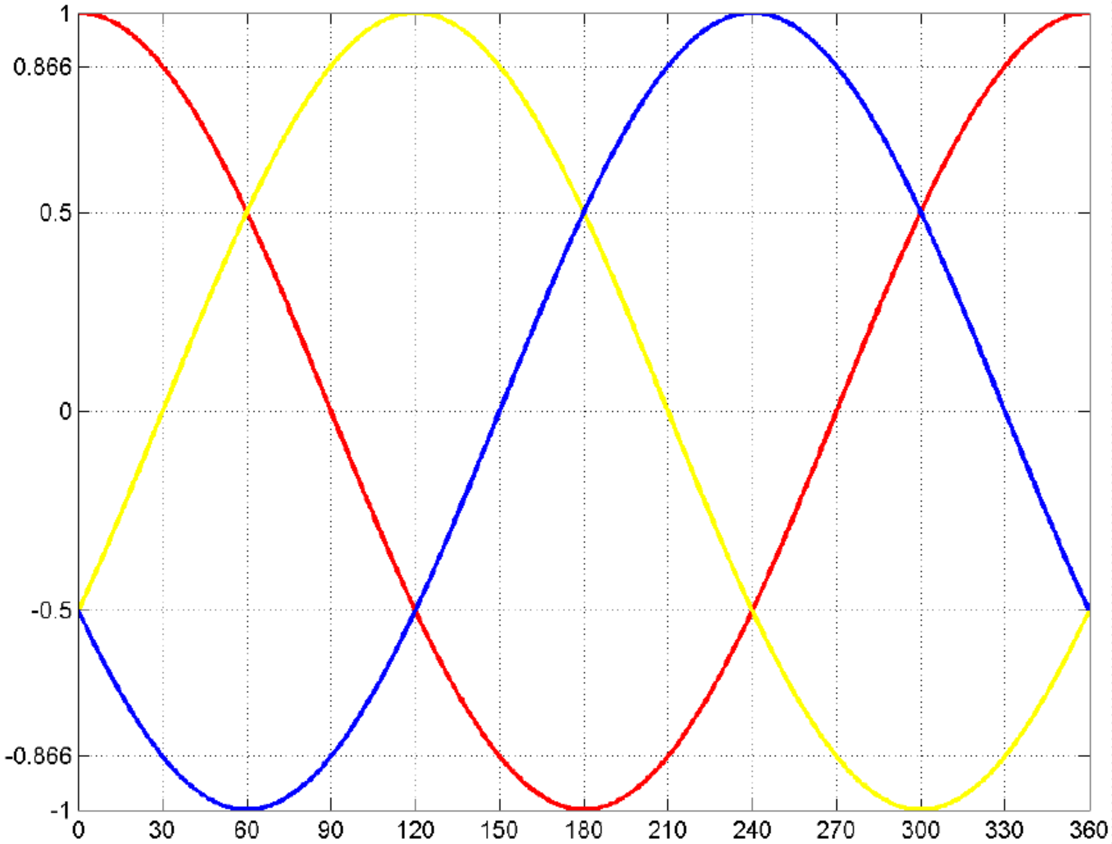

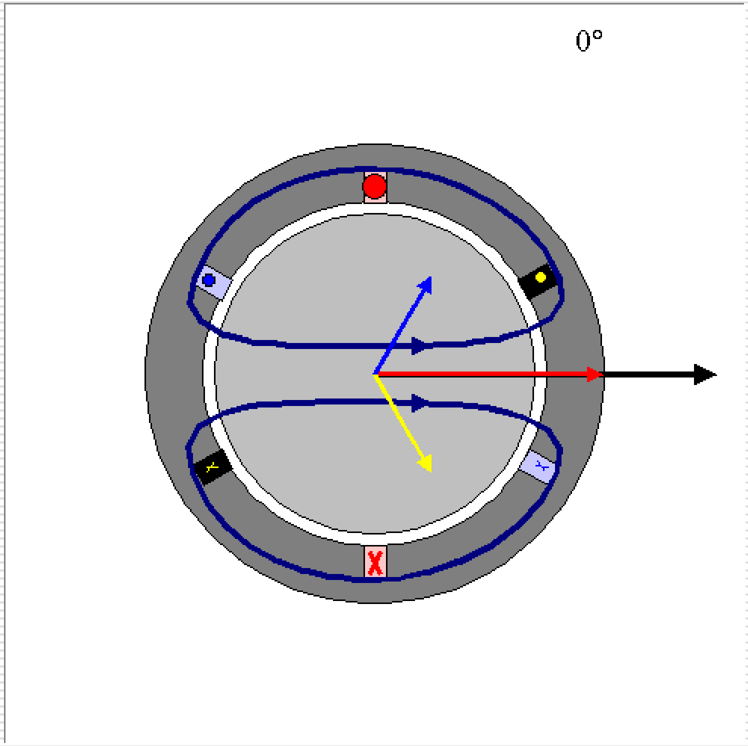

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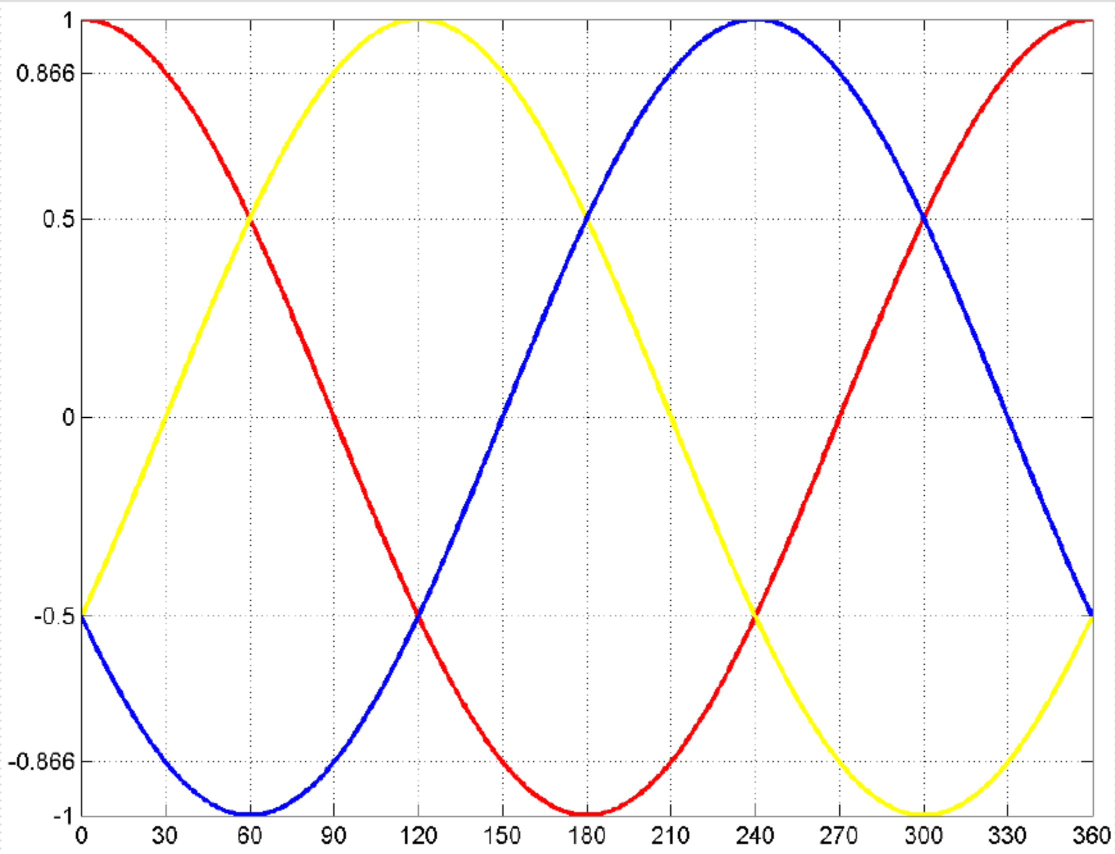
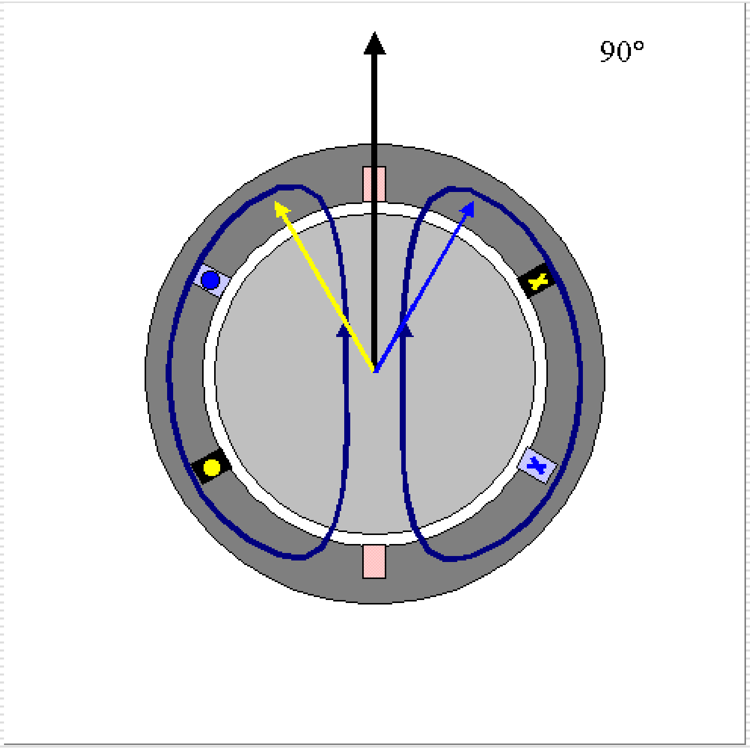




Rotating Magnetic Field

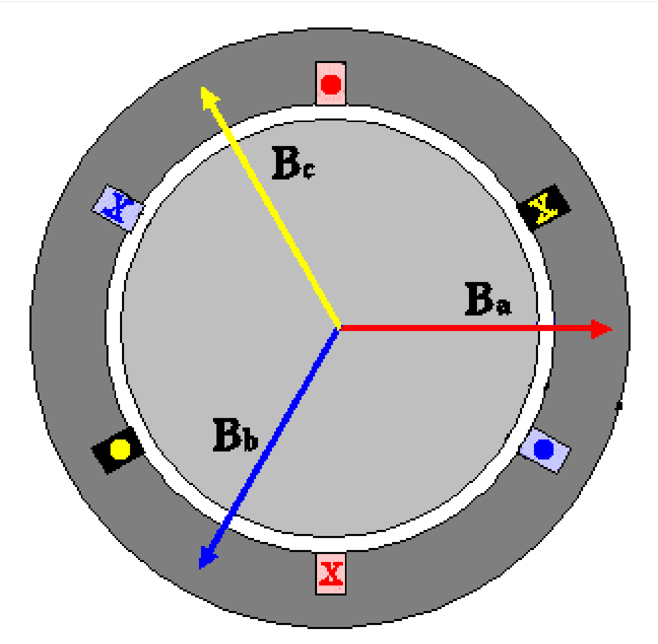
$$B_{net}(t) = B_a(t) + B_b(t) + B_c(t)$$

$$= B_M \sin(\omega t)\angle 0° + B_M \sin(\omega t - 120°)\angle 120° + B_M \sin(\omega t - 240)\angle 240°$$

$$= B_M \sin(\omega t)\hat{\mathbf{x}}$$

$$-[0.5 B_M \sin(\omega t - 120°)]\hat{\mathbf{x}} - [\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} B_M \sin(\omega t - 120°)]\hat{\mathbf{y}}$$

$$-[0.5 B_M \sin(\omega t - 240°)]\hat{\mathbf{x}} + [\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} B_M \sin(\omega t - 240°)]\hat{\mathbf{y}}$$



Rotating Magnetic Field

$$B_{net}(t) = [B_M \sin(\omega t) + \frac{1}{4} B_M \sin(\omega t) + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} B_M \cos(\omega t) + \frac{1}{4} B_M \sin(\omega t) - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} B_M \cos(\omega t)]\hat{\mathbf{x}}$$

$$+[-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} B_M \sin(\omega t) - \frac{3}{4} B_M \cos(\omega t) + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} B_M \sin(\omega t) - \frac{3}{4} B_M \cos(\omega t)]\hat{\mathbf{y}}$$

$$= [1.5 B_M \sin(\omega t)]\hat{\mathbf{x}} - [1.5 B_M \cos(\omega t)]\hat{\mathbf{y}}$$

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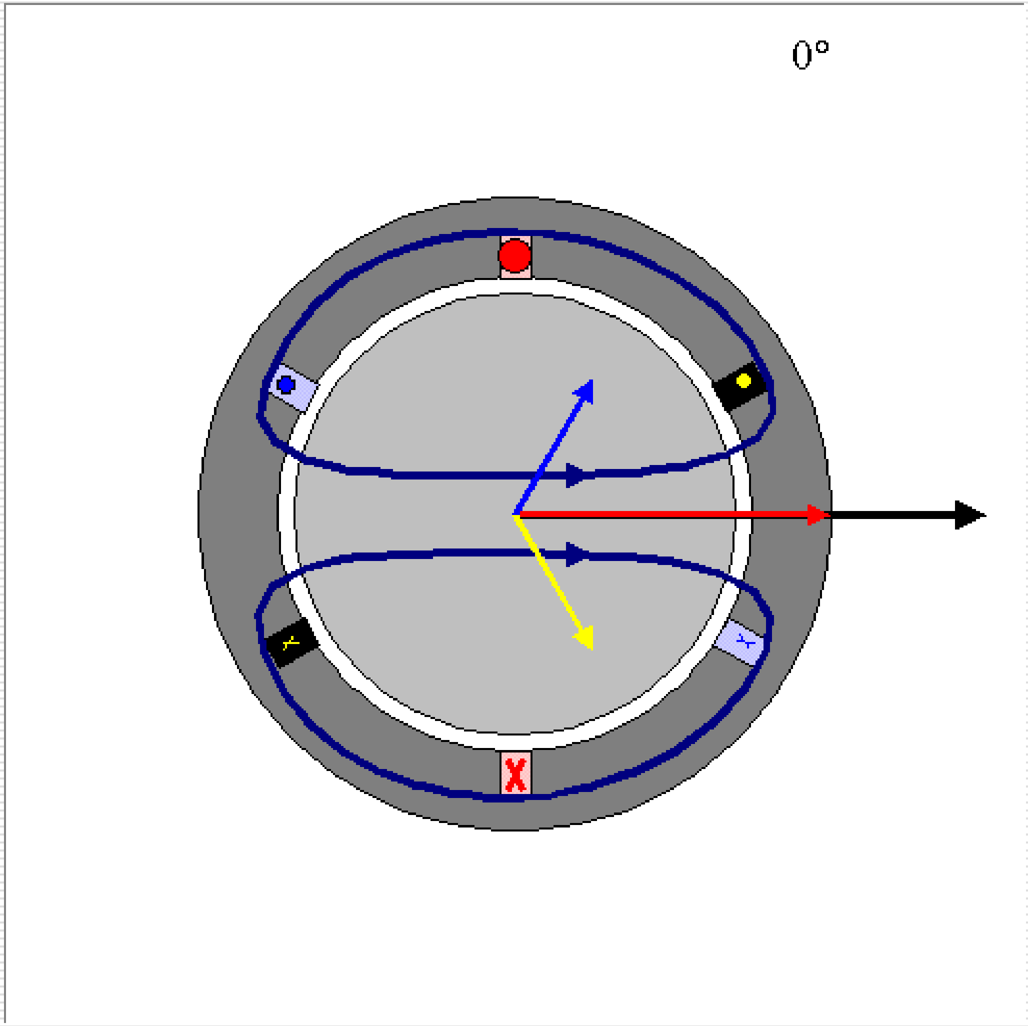

Principle of operation

- This rotating magnetic field cuts the rotor windings and produces an induced voltage in the rotor windings
- Due to the fact that the rotor windings are short circuited, for both squirrel cage and wound-rotor, and induced current flows in the rotor windings
- The rotor current produces another magnetic field
- A torque is produced as a result of the interaction of those two magnetic fields

$$\tau_{ind} = kB_R \times B_s$$

Where τ_{ind} is the induced torque and B_R and B_S are the magnetic flux densities of the rotor and the stator respectively