

# EE2022 Electrical Energy Systems

## Lecture 6: Three-Phase Circuit Analysis

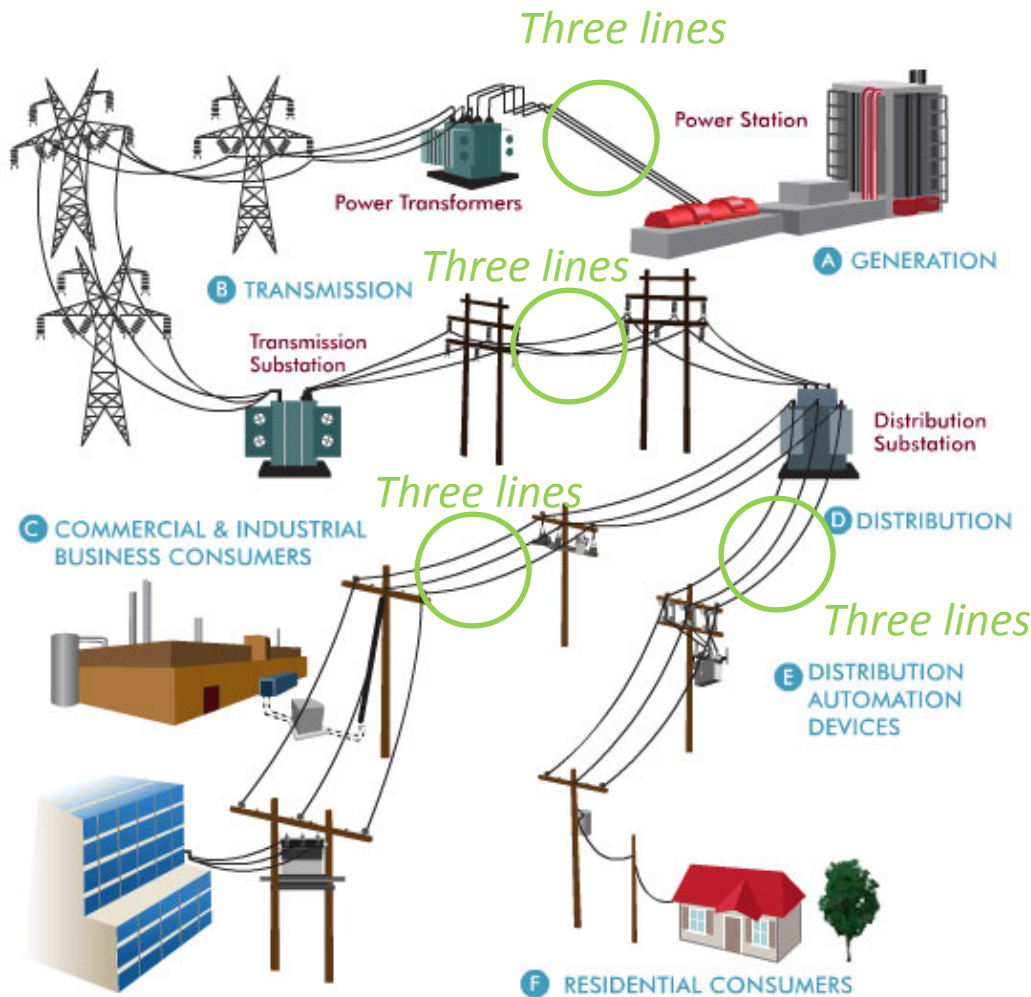
# Learning Outcomes

- To calculate the complex power, voltages and currents in single phase and balanced three-phase AC circuits and able to describe their relationships using Phasor diagrams.
  - Be able to solve balanced three-phase circuit problems.
  - Be able to calculate three-phase power.

# Outline

- Three-Phase Circuit Analysis
  - Generation, Transmission, and Distribution.
  - Three-phase balanced systems.
  - Advantages of three-phase balanced systems.
- Three-Phase voltage and current
  - Line-to-neutral voltage
  - Line-to-Line voltage
  - Line current.
  - Delta/Wye configuration.

# Generation, Transmission and Distribution



Question: How to represent the whole system by an equivalent circuit to find voltage/current at any point?

*Answer: Three-phase circuit diagram.*

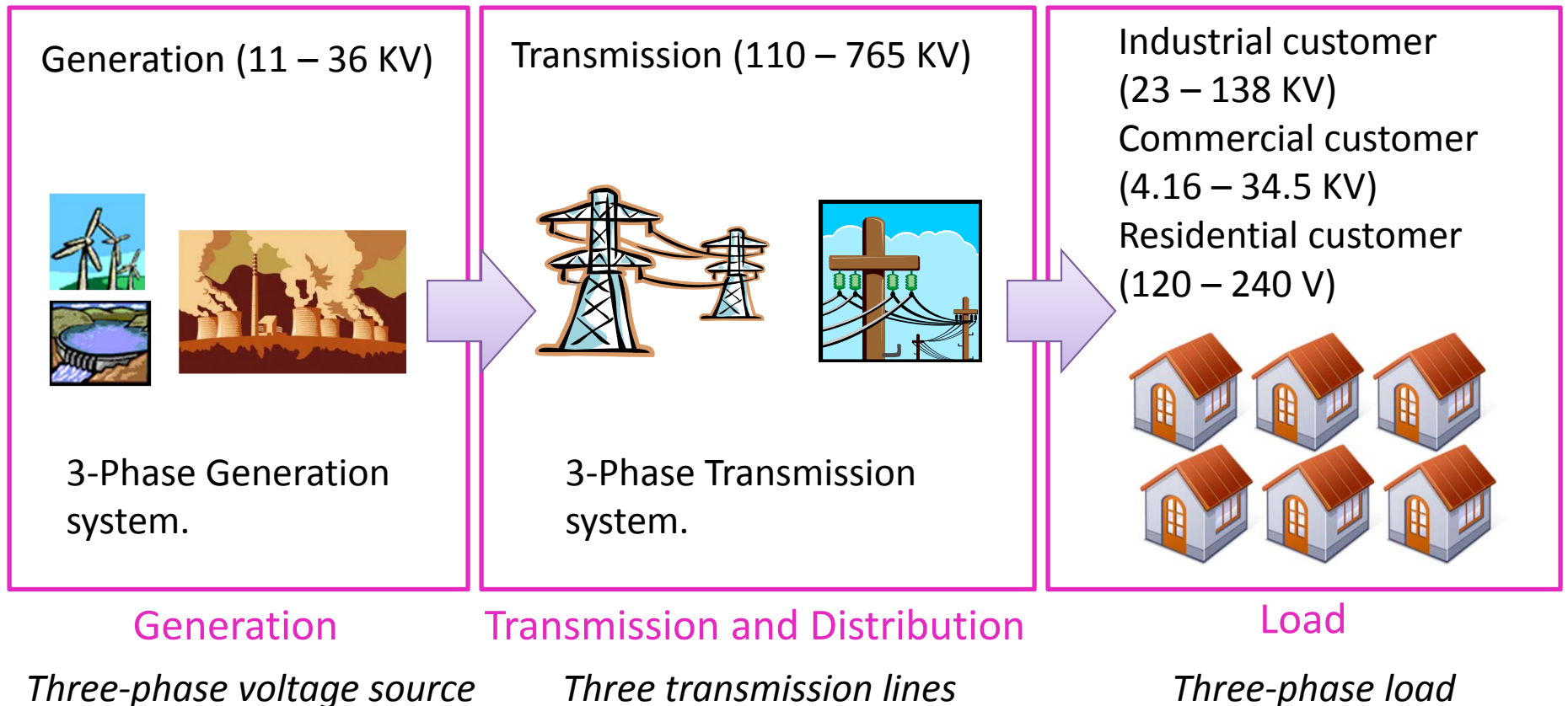
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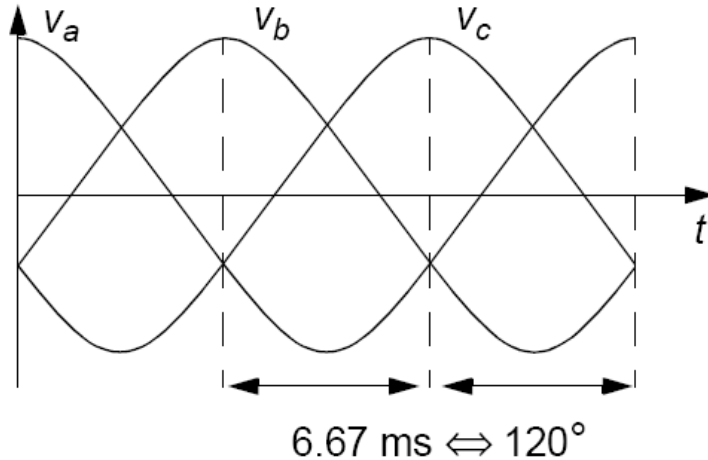
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# A Three-Phase Circuit System



# Three-Phase Voltage Sources

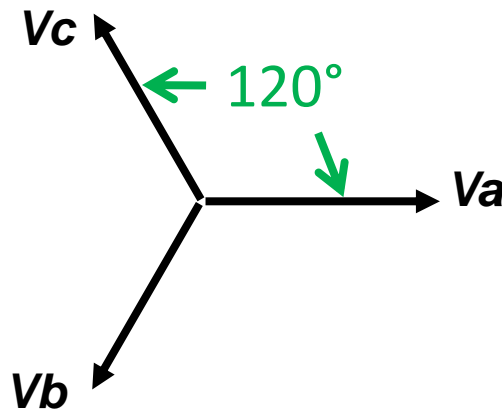


$$v_a = \sqrt{2}|V|\cos(\omega t)$$

$$v_b = \sqrt{2}|V|\cos\left(\omega t - \frac{2\pi}{3}\right)$$

$$v_c = \sqrt{2}|V|\cos\left(\omega t - \frac{4\pi}{3}\right)$$

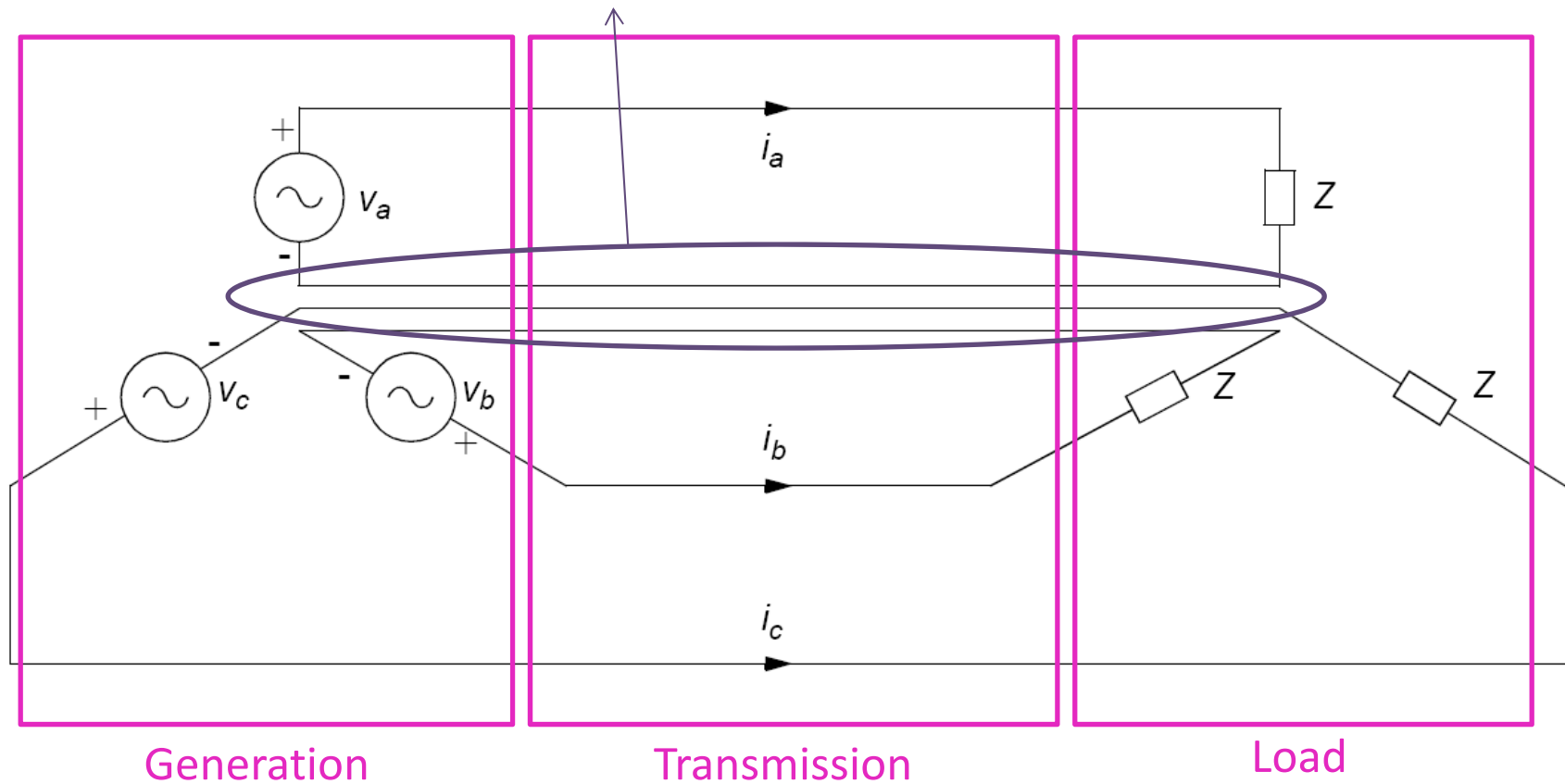
Note that  $|V|$  is rms value. – see Lecture#2.



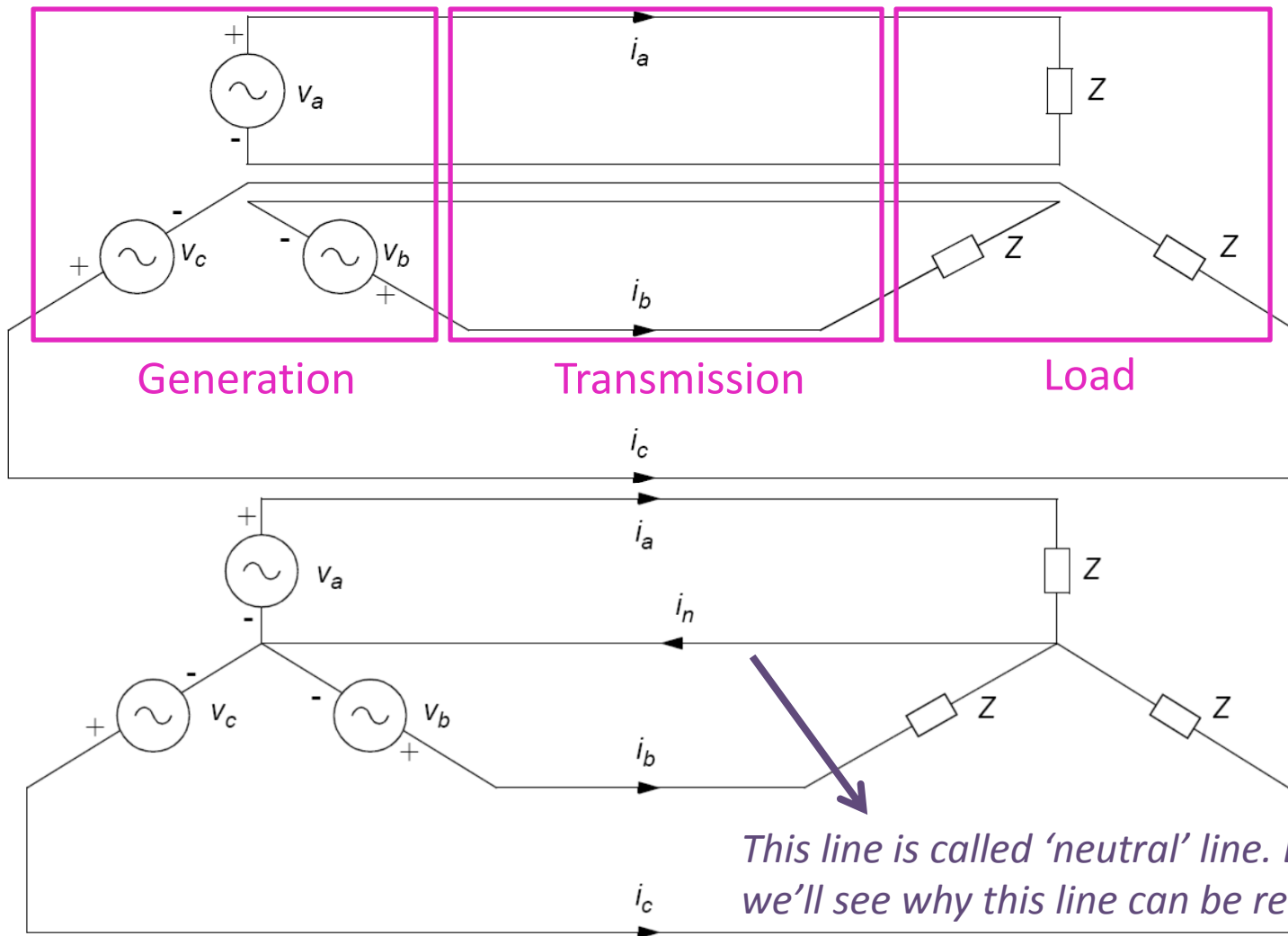
All three voltage sources  
have the same voltage  
magnitude,  
with 120 degrees apart.

# Three Single-Phase Circuits

*These lines can be combined.*



# Three Phase Circuit

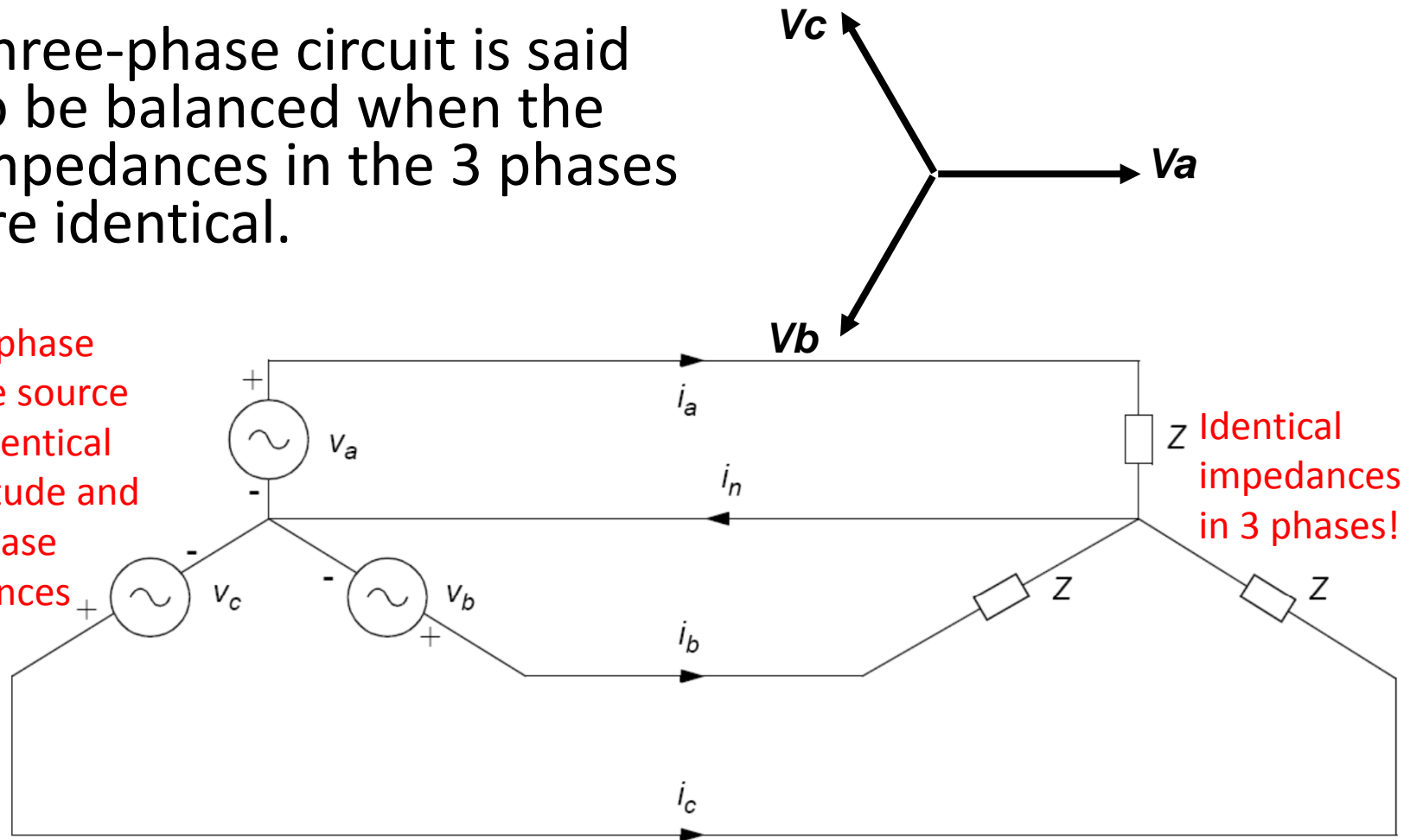




# Balanced Three-Phase Circuit

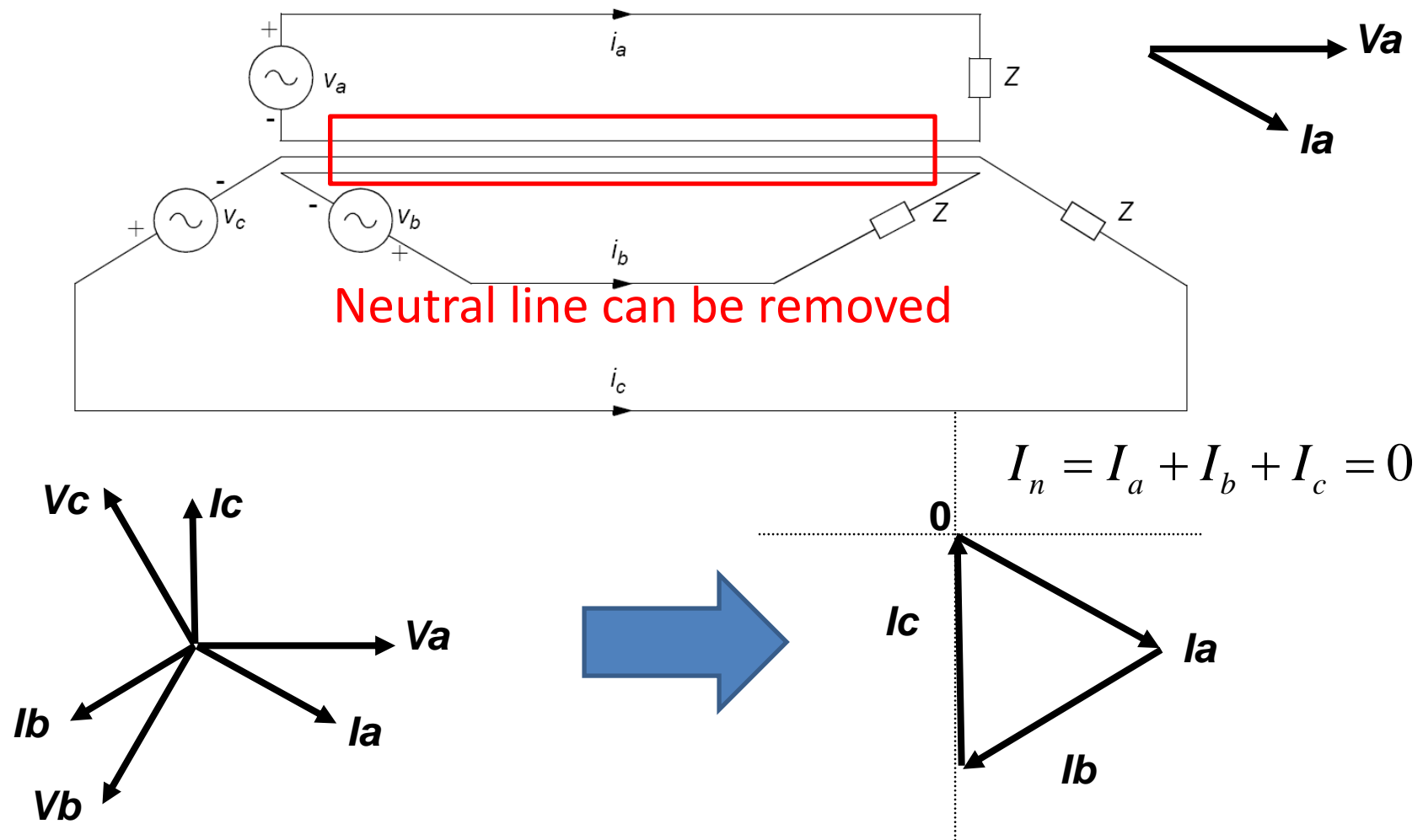
Three-phase circuit is said to be balanced when the impedances in the 3 phases are identical.

Three-phase voltage source with identical magnitude and 120 phase differences



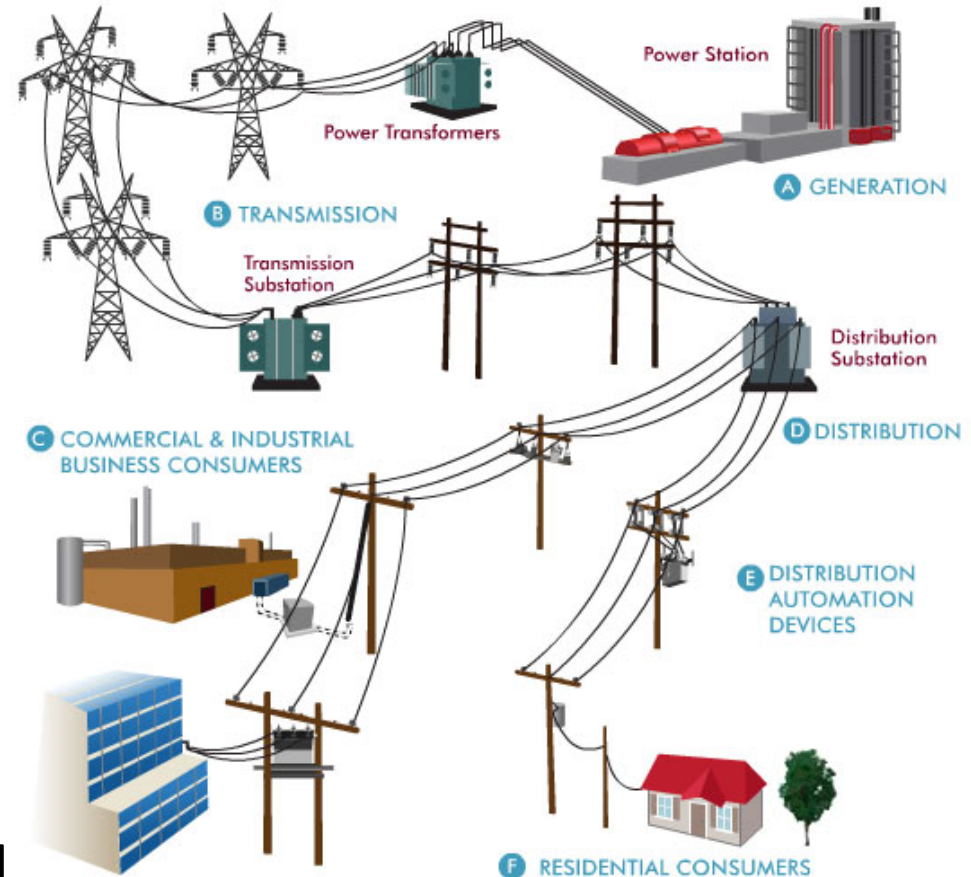
Identical impedances in 3 phases!

# Balanced Three-Phase Circuit



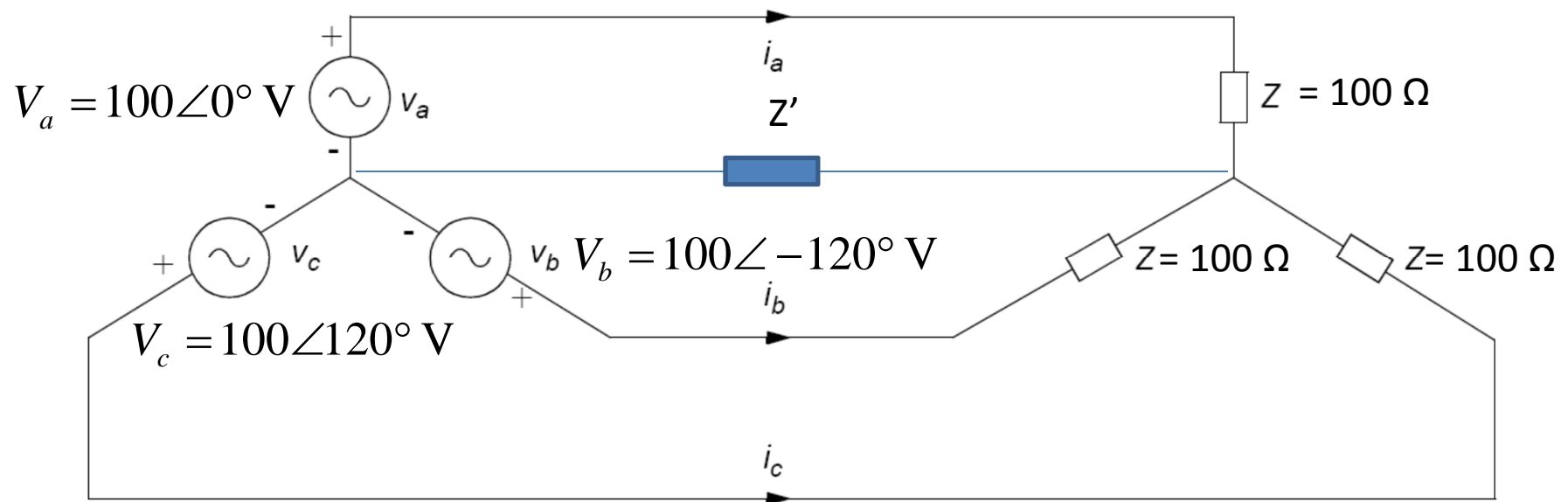
# Advantages of Balanced 3-Phase Systems

- When compared to three single-phase circuits, three-phase circuits have better use of equipment and materials
  - More power can be transmitted per conductor
  - Lesser power losses in the conductors
- This implies reduced capital and operating costs of transmission and distribution.
- We can calculate voltage and current for only one phase and refer to other phases easily.



# Example 1

- Consider the following three-phase system shown below. Find the current  $i_a$  when  $z' = 10 \Omega$ .



Ans:  $i_a = 1\angle 0^\circ \text{ A}$ ,  $i_b = 1\angle -120^\circ \text{ A}$ ,  $i_c = 1\angle 120^\circ \text{ A}$

Line-to-Neutral Voltage

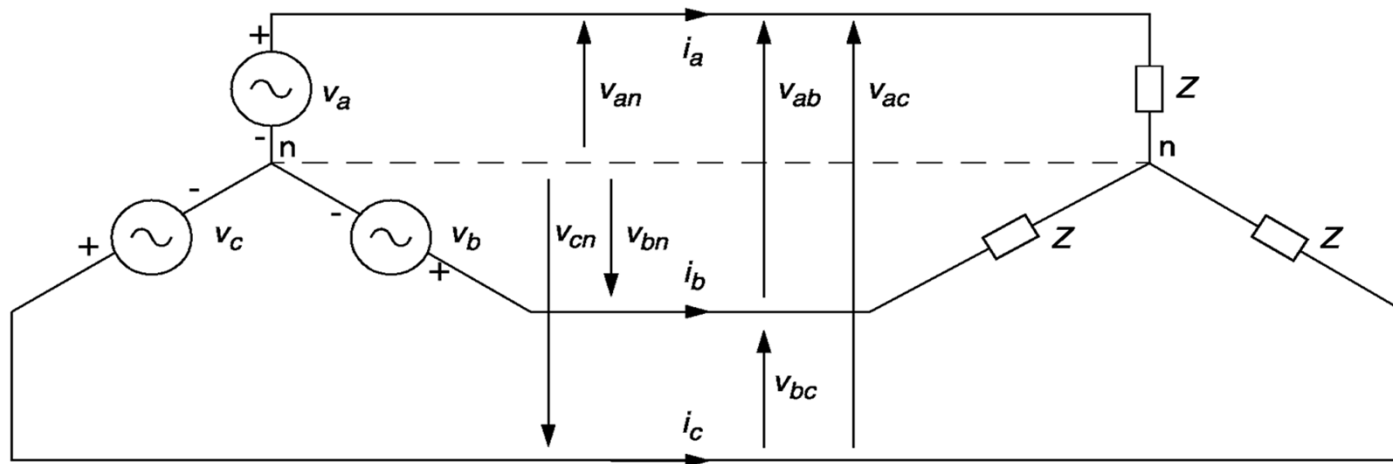
Line-to-line voltage

Line current

Wye-Delta connection

# **THREE-PHASE CURRENT AND VOLTAGE**

# Line-To-Neutral (Phase) Voltage

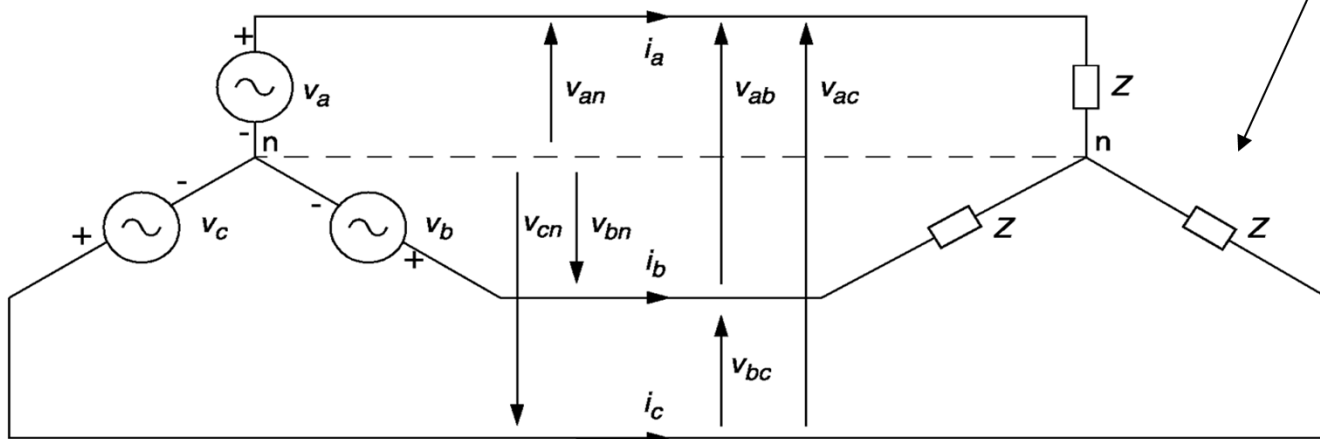
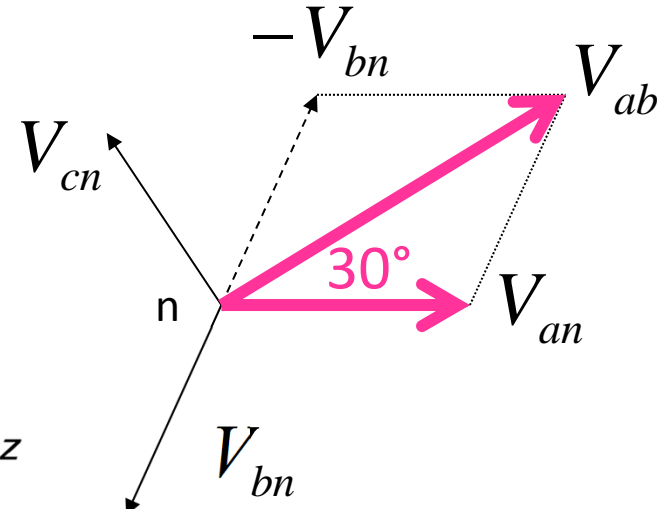


$V_{an}$ ,  $V_{bn}$ ,  $V_{cn}$  are called line-to-neutral voltage or phase voltage [R3].

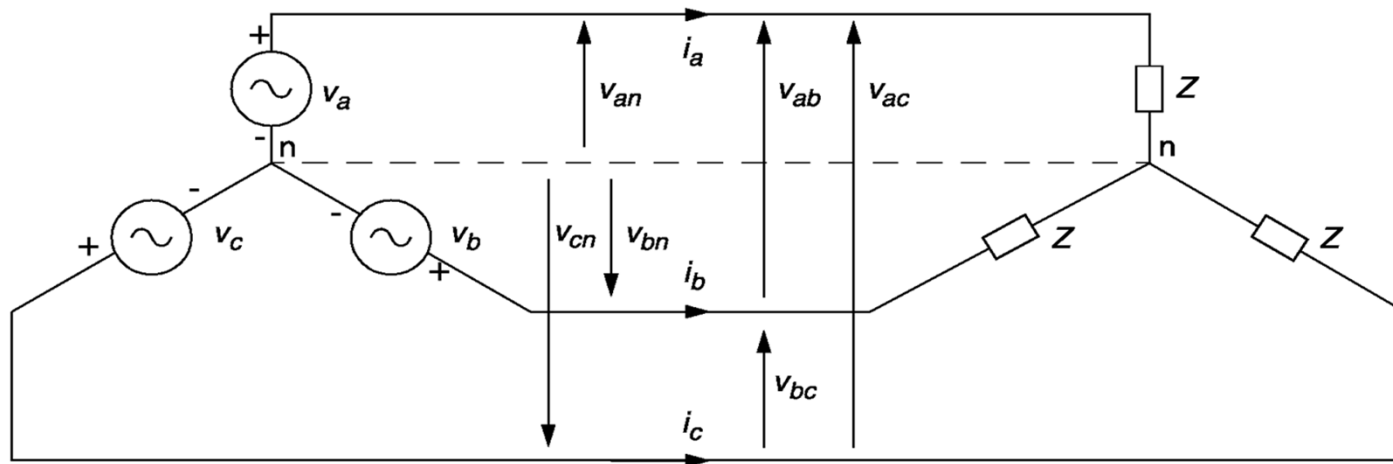
# Line-To-Line Voltage

- Voltage is given as line-to-line voltage by convention.
- KVL:  $V_{ab} = V_{an} - V_{bn} = \sqrt{3}V_{an} \angle 30^\circ$

$$|V_{\text{Line-Line}}| = \sqrt{3}|V_{\text{Line-neutral}}|$$



# Line Current

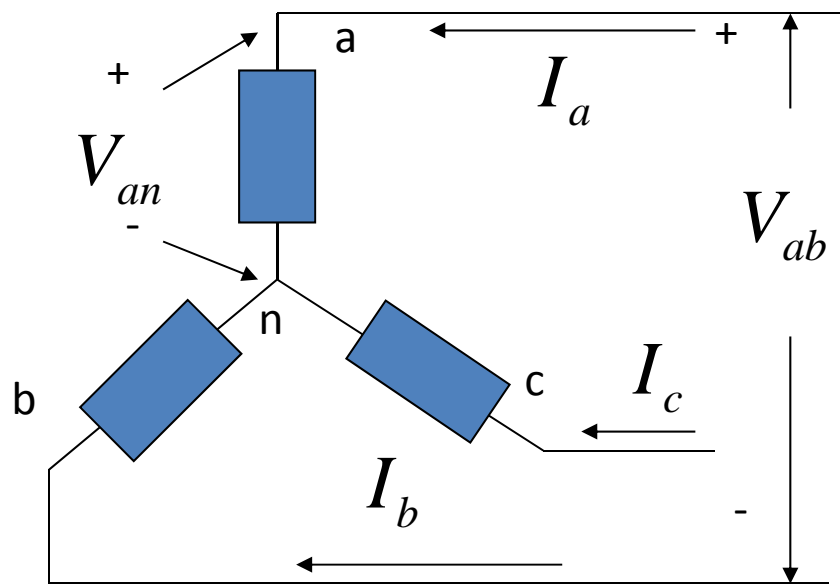


$i_a$  ,  $i_b$  ,  $i_c$  are called line currents.

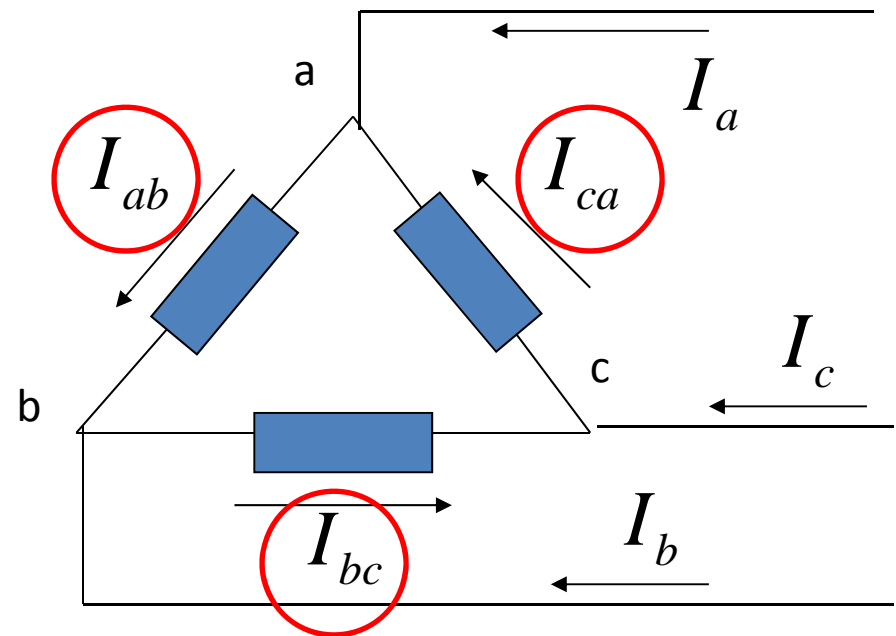


# 3-Phase Circuit Connection

## Wye Connection



## Delta Connection

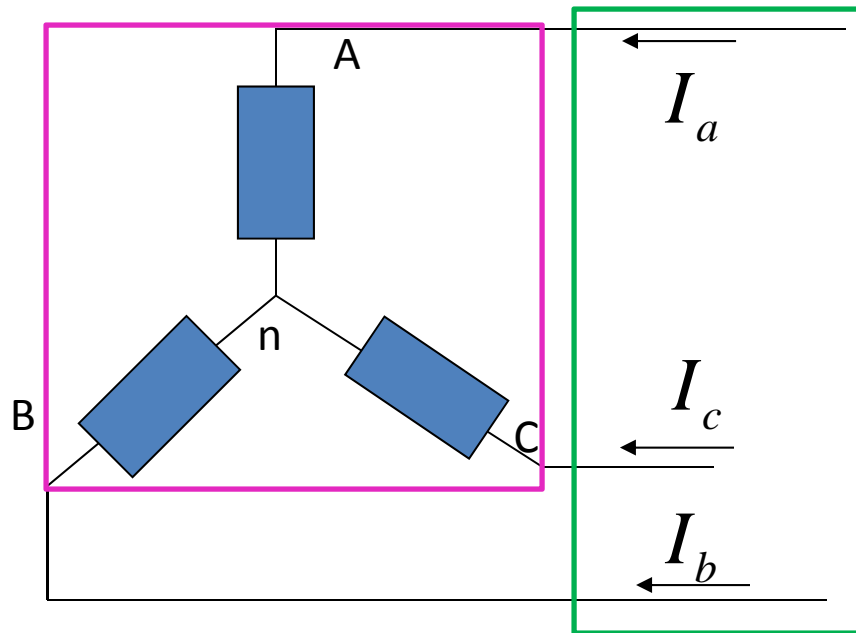


What are these currents?

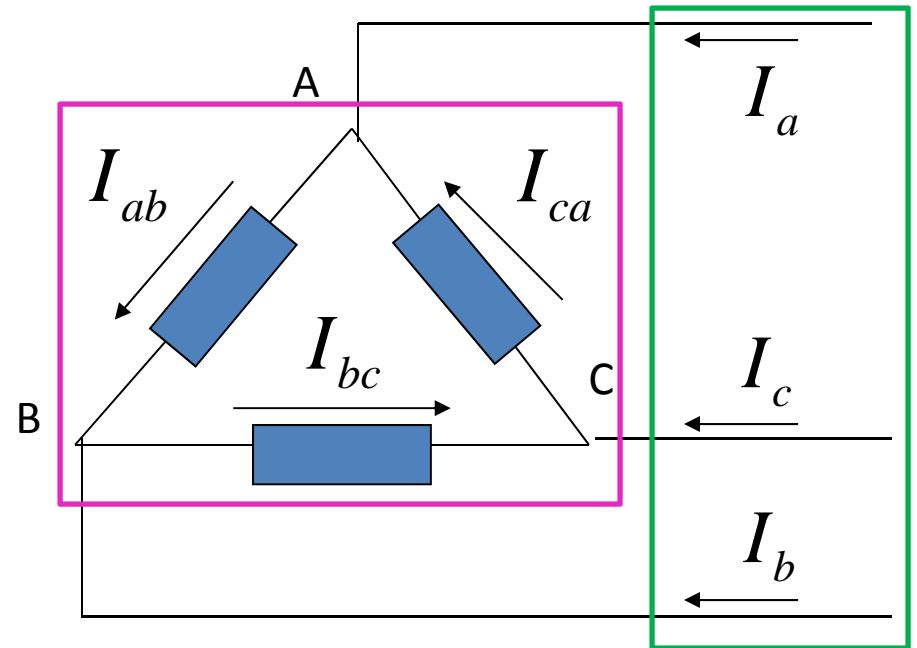
These two types of connections apply to both three-phase voltage sources and three-phase loads.

# Line Current VS Phase Current

## Wye Connection



## Delta Connection



Currents through the three-phase conductor lines are called 'Line currents'.

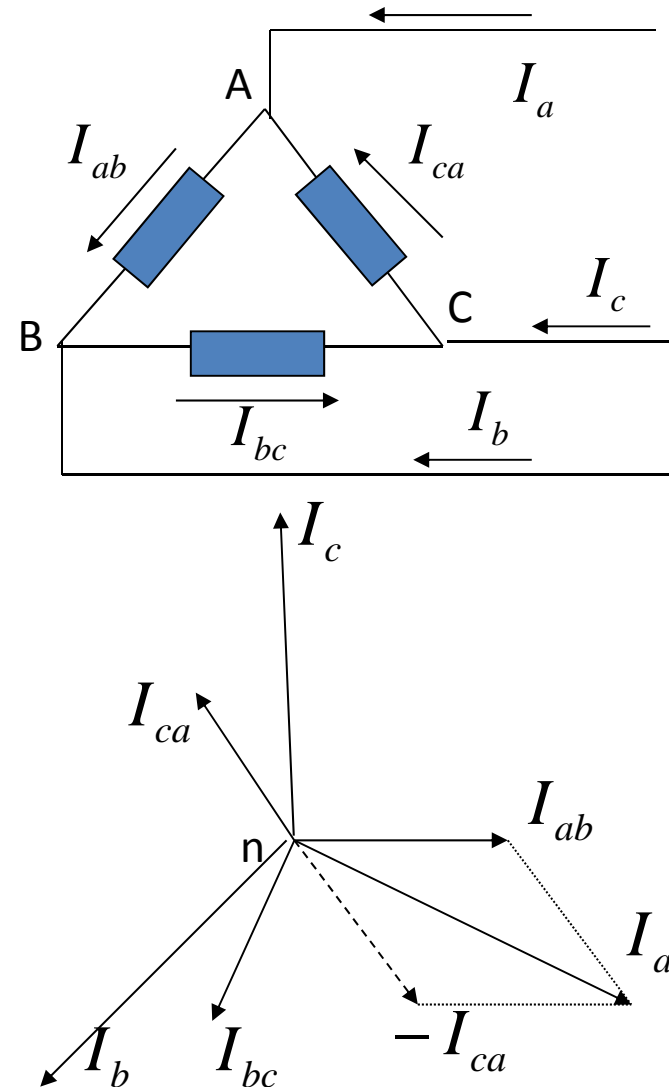
Currents carried by the load impedance are called 'Phase currents' or 'Load Current'.

# Delta-Connected Load

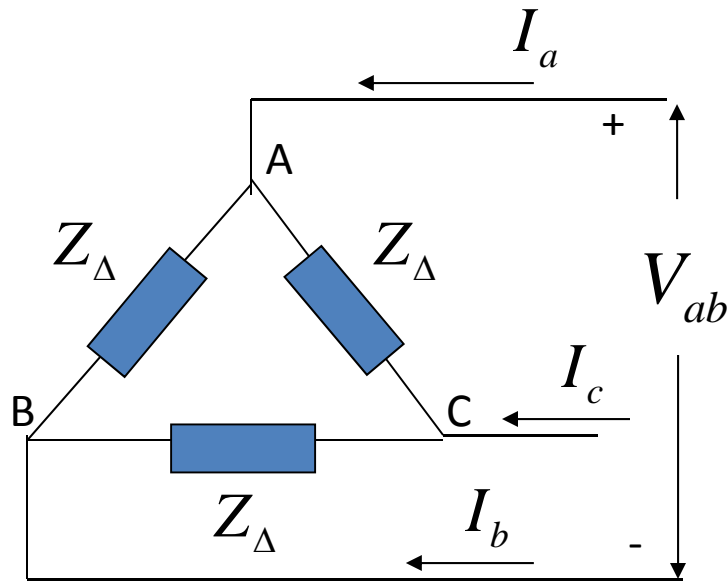
- $I_{ab}$  ,  $I_{bc}$  ,  $I_{ca}$  are called Phase currents.
- We can find relationship between line currents and phase currents using KCL,

$$I_a = I_{ab} - I_{ca} = \sqrt{3}I_{ab} \angle -30^\circ$$

➔  $|I_{\text{Line}}| = \sqrt{3}|I_{\text{Phase}}|$

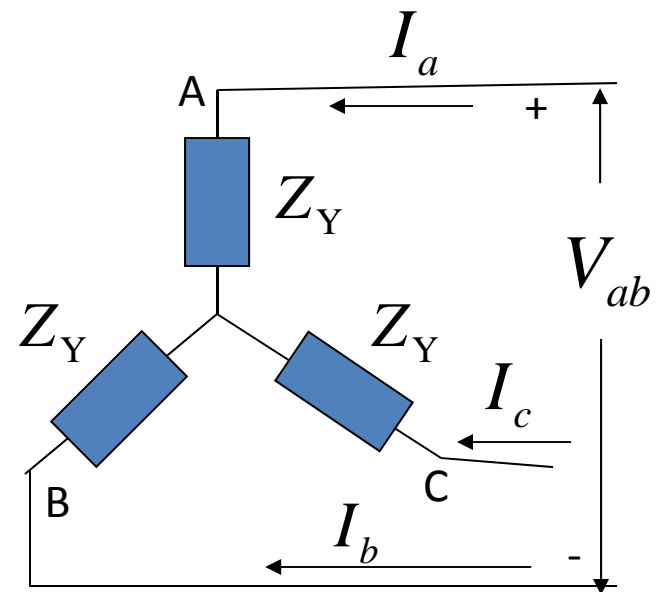
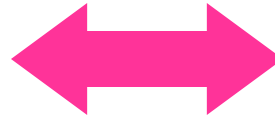


# Delta-Wye Load Transformation



$$I_a = \sqrt{3}I_{ab} \angle -30^\circ$$

$$Z_{\Delta} = \frac{V_{ab}}{I_{ab}} = \frac{\sqrt{3}V_{ab}}{I_a \angle 30^\circ}$$



$$V_{ab} = \sqrt{3}V_{an} \angle 30^\circ$$

$$Z_Y = \frac{V_{an}}{I_a} = \frac{V_{ab}}{\sqrt{3}I_a \angle 30^\circ}$$



$$Z_{\Delta} = 3Z_Y$$

# Example 3

- For a balanced Y-connected three phase voltage source and Y-connected load system with a line voltage of 440 V and three equal resistive loads of  $100\ \Omega$  per phase, assume positive sequence, what will be the magnitudes of
  - (a) the line-to-neutral voltage,
  - (b) the phase current,
  - (c) the line current?

# Example 4

- For a balanced Y-connected three phase generator with the line-to-neutral voltage of 80 V,  $\Delta$ -connected load of 120  $\Omega$ , assume positive sequence, find
  - (a) the line-to-line voltage,
  - (b) the voltage across a resistor,
  - (c) the current through a resistor?

# Summary

- Three-phase voltage sources
  - Positive and negative sequences
- Balanced three-phase circuit
  - Conditions
  - Advantages
- Balanced three-phase circuit
  - Line-to-neutral (phase) voltage
  - Line-to-line (line) voltage

- Line current  $|V_{\text{Line-Line}}| = \sqrt{3}|V_{\text{Line-neutral}}|$

- Wye-Delta connection
- Delta-Wye load transformation

$$Z_{\Delta} = 3Z_Y$$

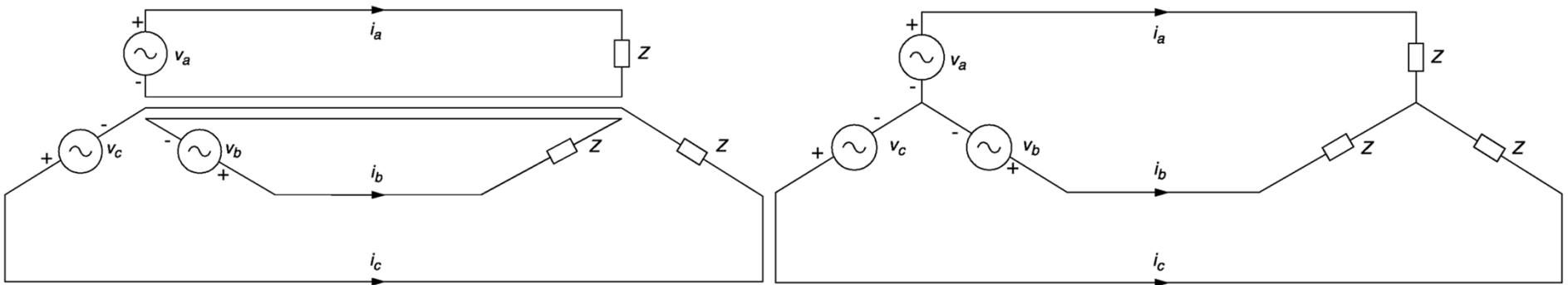
- Three-Phase Circuit Analysis
  - Three-phase complex power
  - Per Phase analysis



# Three Phase Power Calculation

- Three phase power is found from summation of each phase power.

$$S_{3\Phi} = V_{an} I_a^* + V_{bn} I_b^* + V_{cn} I_c^*$$



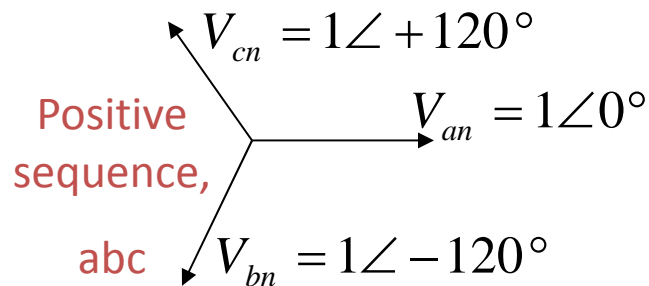
# Balanced Three-Phase Power

- From three phase power,

$$S_{3\Phi} = V_{an} I_a^* + V_{bn} I_b^* + V_{cn} I_c^*$$

- When the system is balanced, (assume positive sequence) we can write,

$$S_{3\Phi} = V_{an} I_a^* + V_{an} \angle -120^\circ (I_a \angle -120^\circ)^* + V_{an} \angle 120^\circ (I_a \angle 120^\circ)^*$$



$$S_{3\Phi} = 3V_{an} I_a^*$$

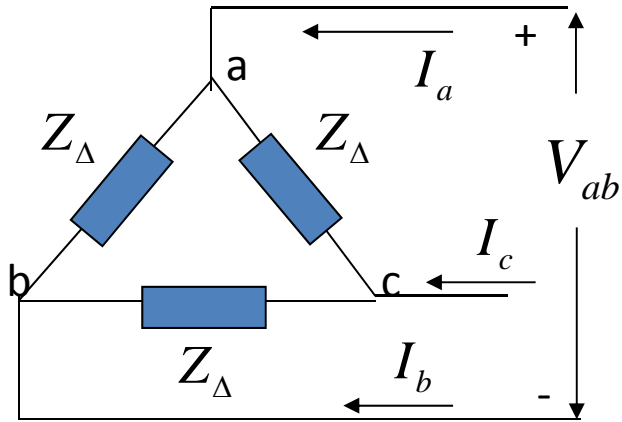
# Balanced Three-Phase Load

- Three-phase load can be connected in either Wye or Delta connection.
- 3-phase load parameter is given as total apparent power ( $|S_{3\Phi}|$ ) with power factor.
- The voltage given is **Line-to-line voltage**.
- We can find three-phase real and reactive power as follows.

$$P_{3\Phi} = 3P_{1\Phi} = |S_{3\Phi}| \times \text{p.f.}$$

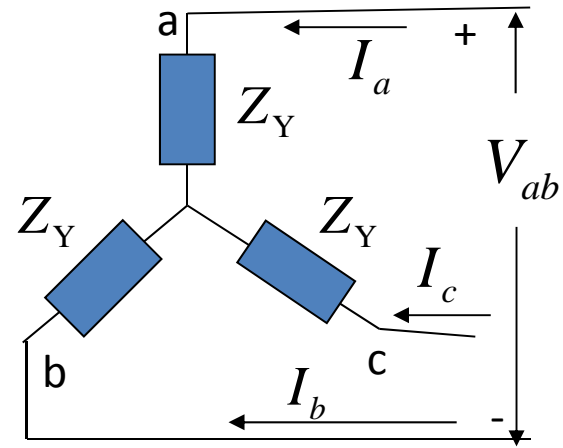
$$Q_{3\Phi} = 3Q_{1\Phi} = |S_{3\Phi}| \times \sin(\cos^{-1}(\text{p.f.})) = |S_{3\Phi}| \times \sin \phi$$

# Delta/Wye Connected 3-Phase Load



$$I_a = \sqrt{3}I_{ab} \angle -30^\circ$$

$$|S_{3\Phi}| = 3|V_{ab}I_{ab}^*| = \sqrt{3}|V_{ab}||I_a|$$



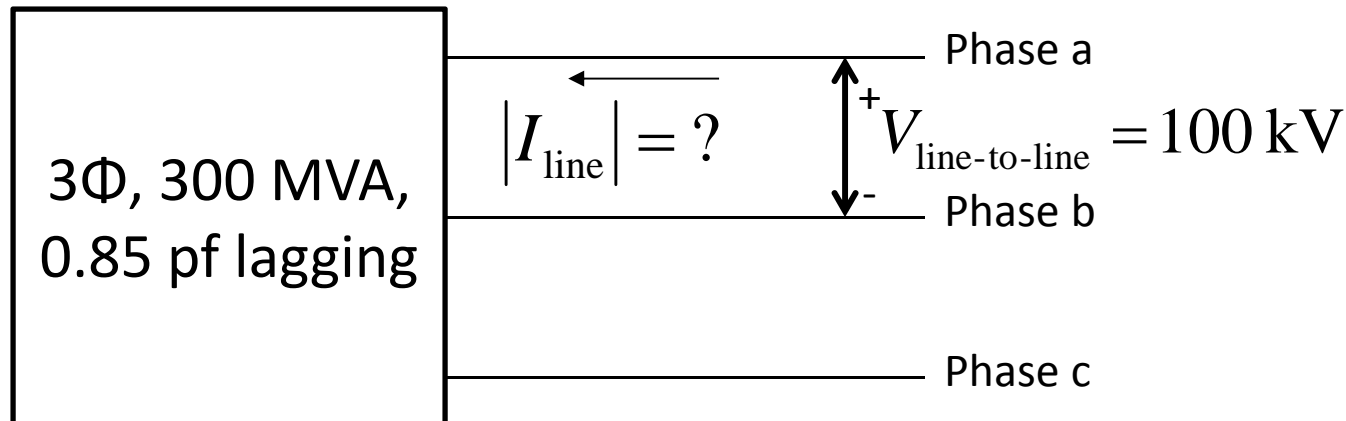
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$$|S_{3\Phi}| = \sqrt{3}|V_{\text{Line-To-Line}}||I_{\text{Line}}|$$

# Example 1

- A 3 $\Phi$  load of 300 MVA, 100 kV at 0.85 p.f. lagging, find
  - The magnitude of line current  $|I_{\text{Line}}|$
  - Three-phase (real) power  $P_{\text{Load}}$



Ans: 1732 A, 255 MW.

# Instantaneous Three-Phase Power

- Given by,

$$p_{3\Phi}(t) = v_a(t)i_a(t) + v_b(t)i_b(t) + v_c(t)i_c(t)$$

- Recall that single phase instantaneous power,

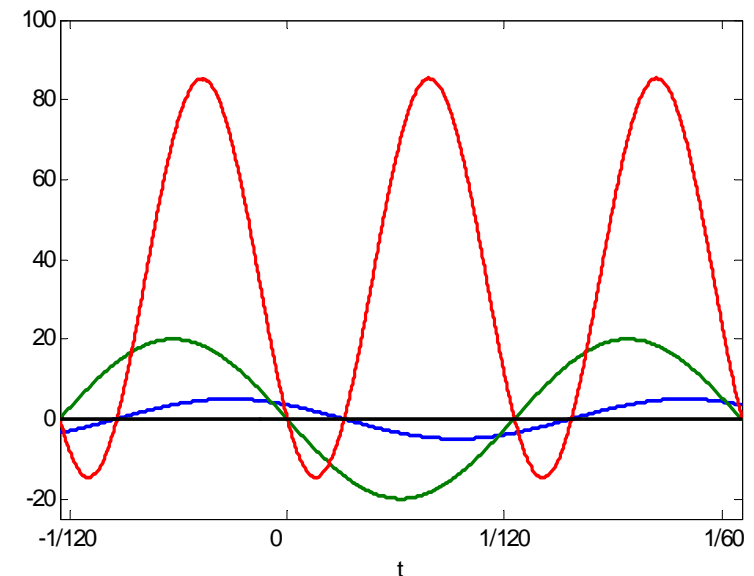
$$v(t) = |V| \cos(\omega t + \theta_v)$$

$$i(t) = |I| \cos(\omega t + \theta_i)$$

$$p(t) = v(t) \times i(t)$$

$$= |V||I| \cos(\theta_v - \theta_i)$$

$$+ |V||I| \cos(2\omega t + \theta_v + \theta_i)$$



# Instantaneous Three-Phase Power

- For a balanced three-phase system,  $\Rightarrow =0$

$$\begin{aligned}
 p_{3\Phi}(t) = & |V_a||I_a|\cos(\theta_v - \theta_i) + |V_a||I_a|\cos(2\omega t + \theta_v + \theta_i) \\
 & + |V_b||I_b|\cos(\theta_v - \theta_i) + |V_b||I_b|\cos(2\omega t + \theta_v + \theta_i - 240^\circ) \\
 & + |V_c||I_c|\cos(\theta_v - \theta_i) + |V_c||I_c|\cos(2\omega t + \theta_v + \theta_i - 480^\circ)
 \end{aligned}$$

- We can find three phase instantaneous power as,

$$p_{3\Phi}(t) = 3|V_a||I_a|\cos\phi = 3P$$

- Constant** power transfer to load.

# An Additional Advantage of Balanced 3-Phase Circuit

- Constant power transfer to load.
  - This also implies constant mechanical power input for a generator.
  - When mechanical power input is constant, mechanical shaft torque is also constant.
  - This helps to reduce shaft vibration and noise, extending the machine's lifetime.



Assumption

Single-line diagram

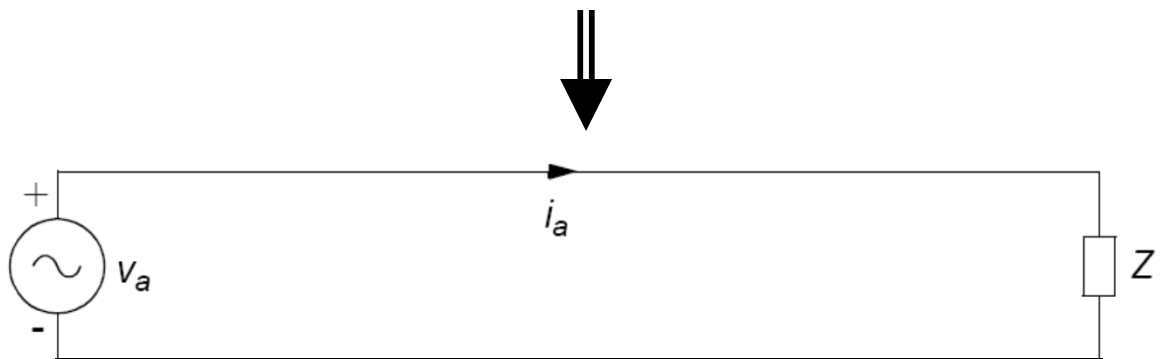
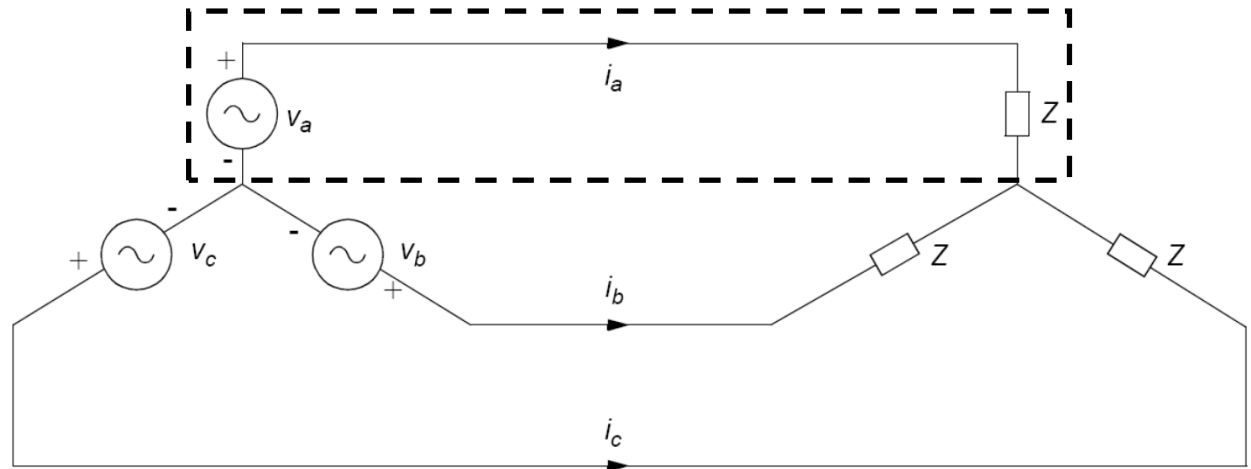
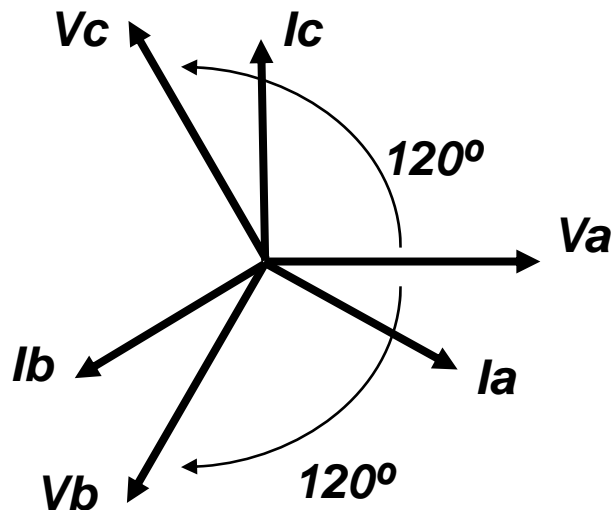
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# **PER PHASE ANALYSIS**

# Per Phase Analysis: Assumption

It must be balanced three-phase circuit.

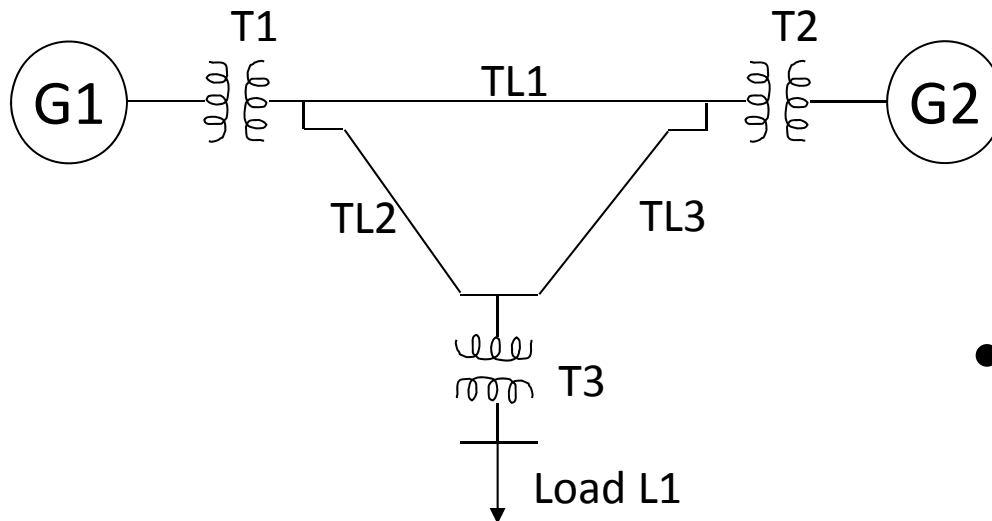
$$I_n = I_a + I_b + I_c = 0$$



# Steps of Per Phase Analysis

- Make sure that the three-phase system is **balanced**.
  - The three-phase sources need to have the same magnitude with 120 degree phase difference.
  - The three-phase impedances must be of the same value (both phase and magnitude).
- **Convert** all **Delta**-connected sources/loads **to Wye**-connected sources/loads.
- Per phase analysis reduce three-phase circuit to **single-phase** circuit. We can apply the same concept used in single-phase.

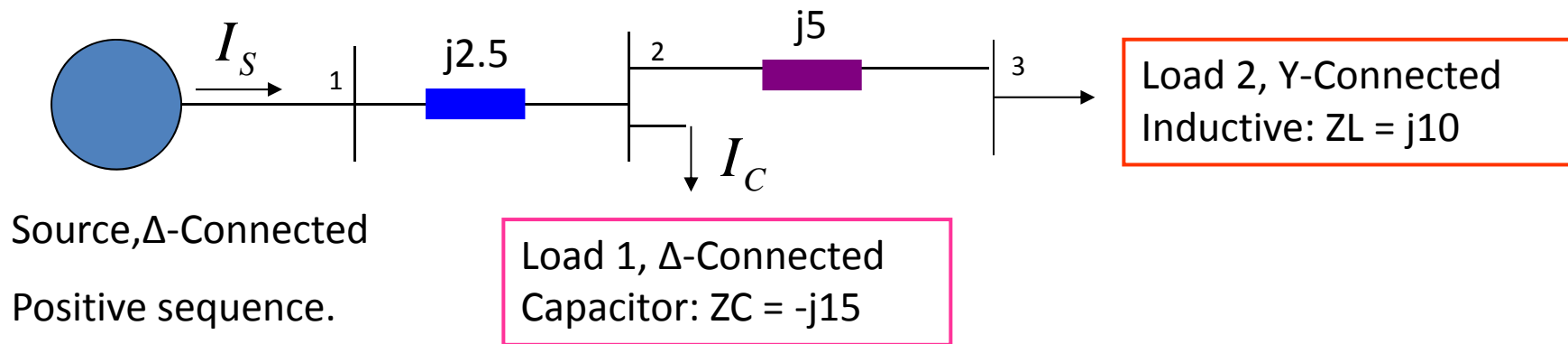
# Single-Line Diagram



- Show the interconnections of a transmission system
  - Generator
  - Load
  - Transmission line
  - Transformer
- This is a representation of a  $3\Phi$  circuit. Each line represents three conductors in three-phase system.

## Example 2

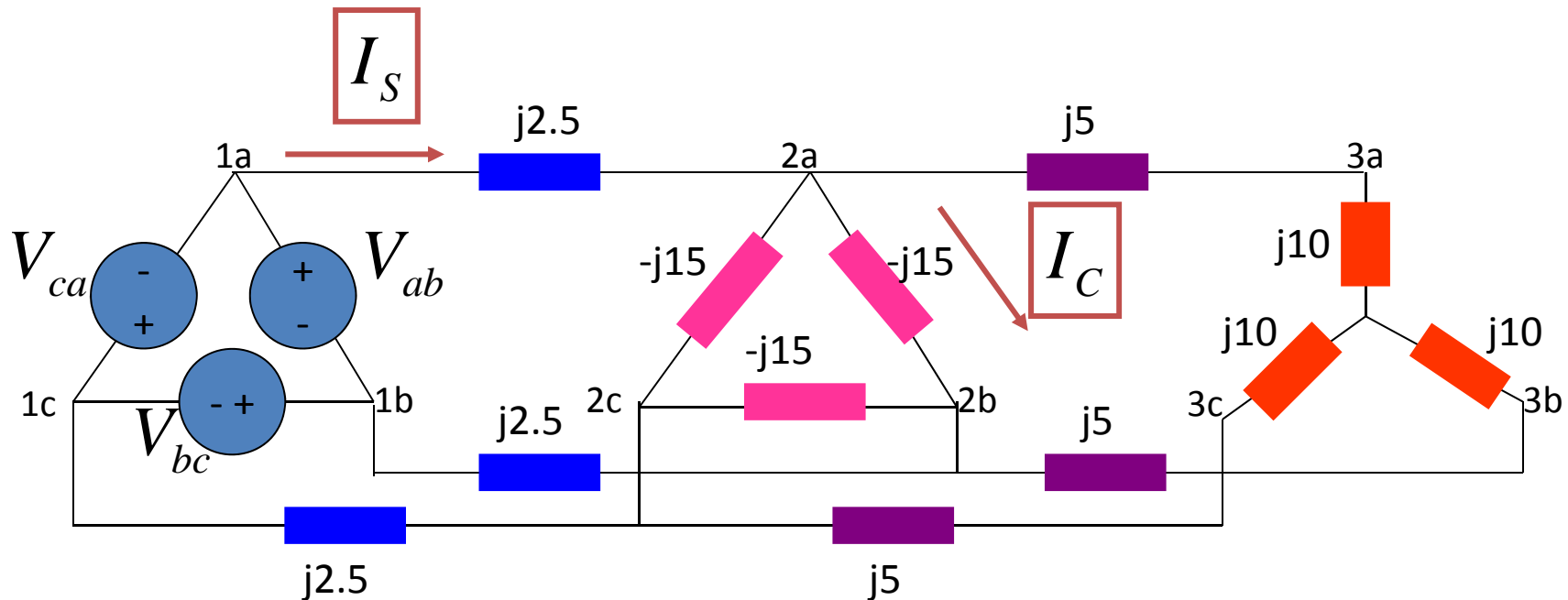
- Given a one-line diagram,



If the voltage source is  $|V_{\text{Line-Line}}| = \sqrt{3} \text{ V}$ . Find,

- Current magnitude supplied by source,  $|I_S|$ , and,
- Current magnitude through a capacitor,  $|I_C|$ .

# Example 2: 3Φ Circuit Diagram

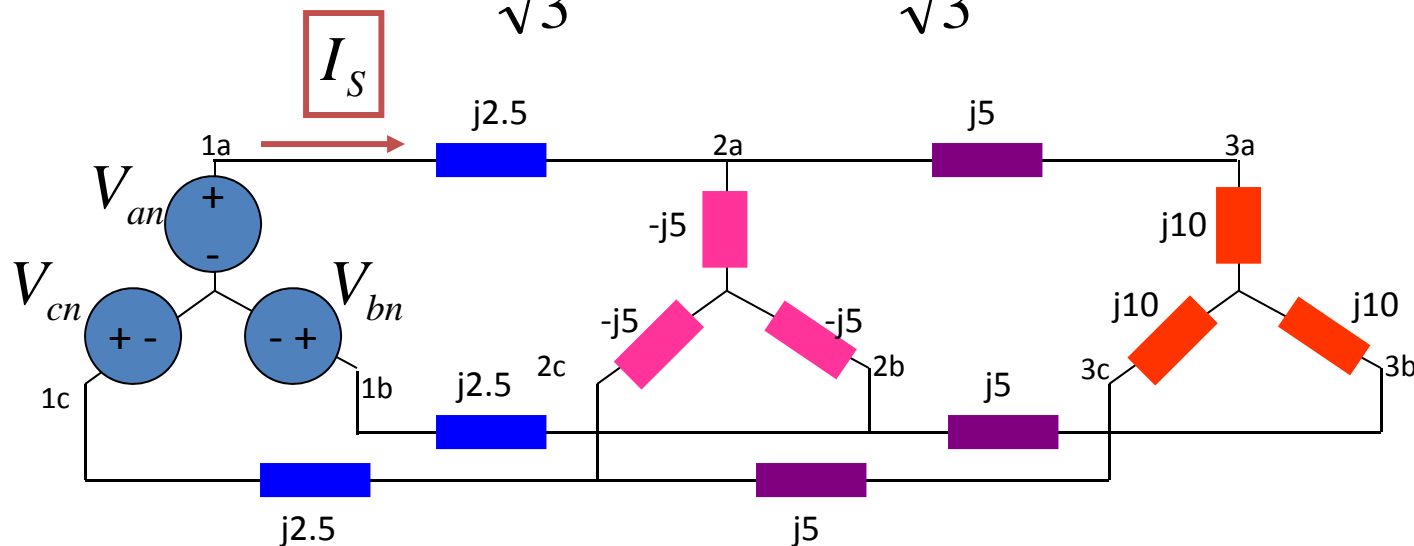


## Example 2: Convert from $\Delta \rightarrow Y$

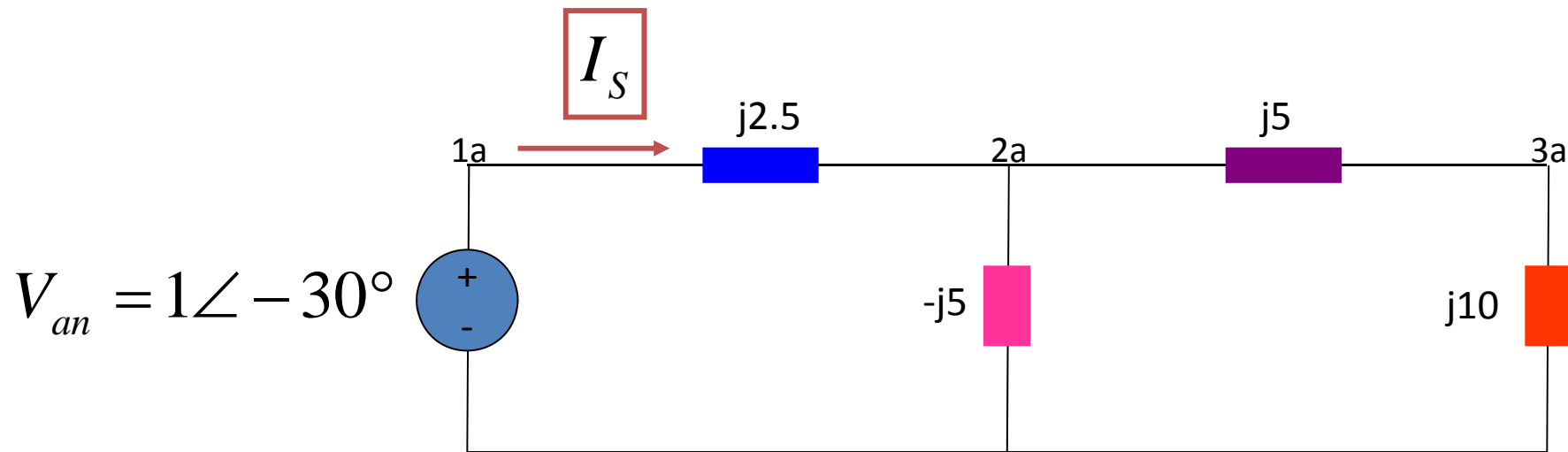
$$Z_Y = \frac{Z_{\Delta}}{3} = \frac{-j15}{3} = -j5$$

Use voltage source as  
angle reference

$$V_{an} = \frac{V_{ab}}{\sqrt{3}} \angle -30^\circ = \frac{\sqrt{3} \angle 0^\circ}{\sqrt{3}} \angle -30^\circ = 1 \angle -30^\circ$$



## Example 2: 1-Phase diagram



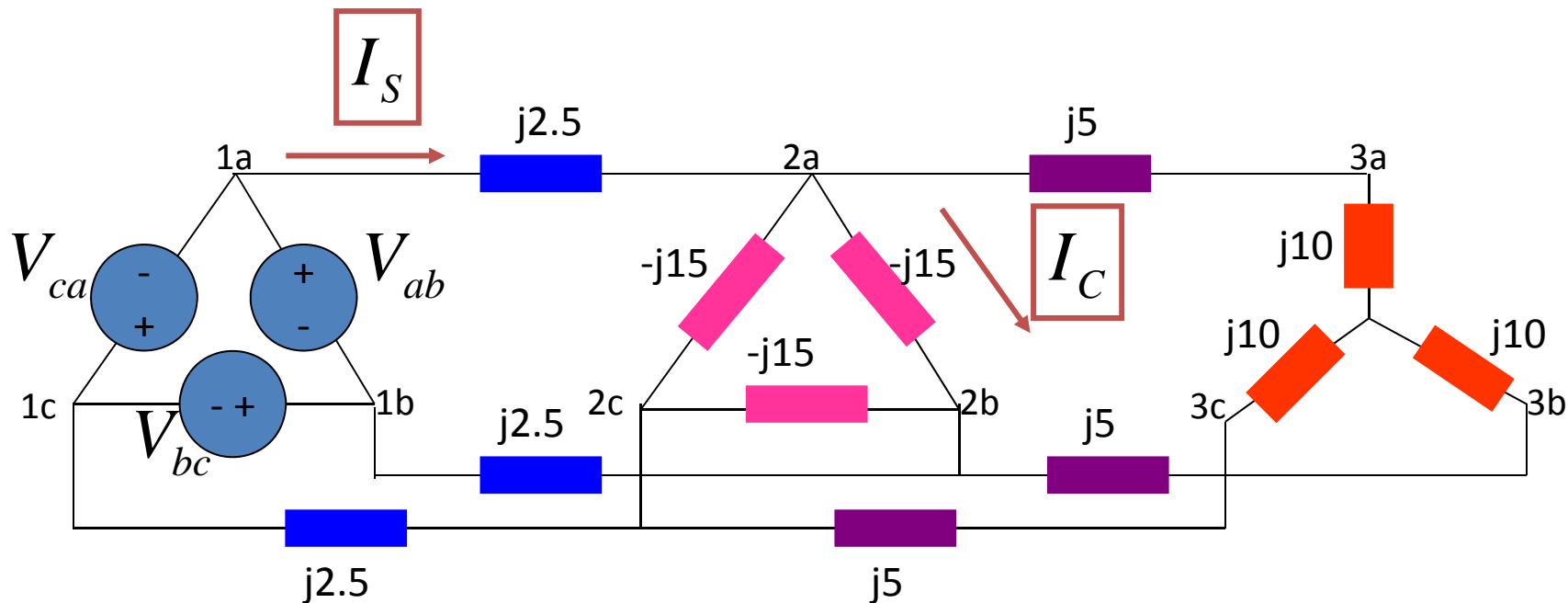
$$Z_{eq} = j2.5 + \frac{(j10 + j5)(-j5)}{(j10 + j5) + (-j5)} = -j5$$

$$I_s = \frac{V_{an}}{Z_{eq}} = \frac{1\angle -30^\circ}{-j5} = \frac{1\angle -30^\circ}{5\angle -90^\circ} = 0.2\angle 60^\circ \text{ A}$$

$$V_{2a} = V_{an} - j2.5 \times I_s = 1.5\angle -30^\circ \quad \text{We will use this to find } I_C$$



# Example 2: Final Calculation



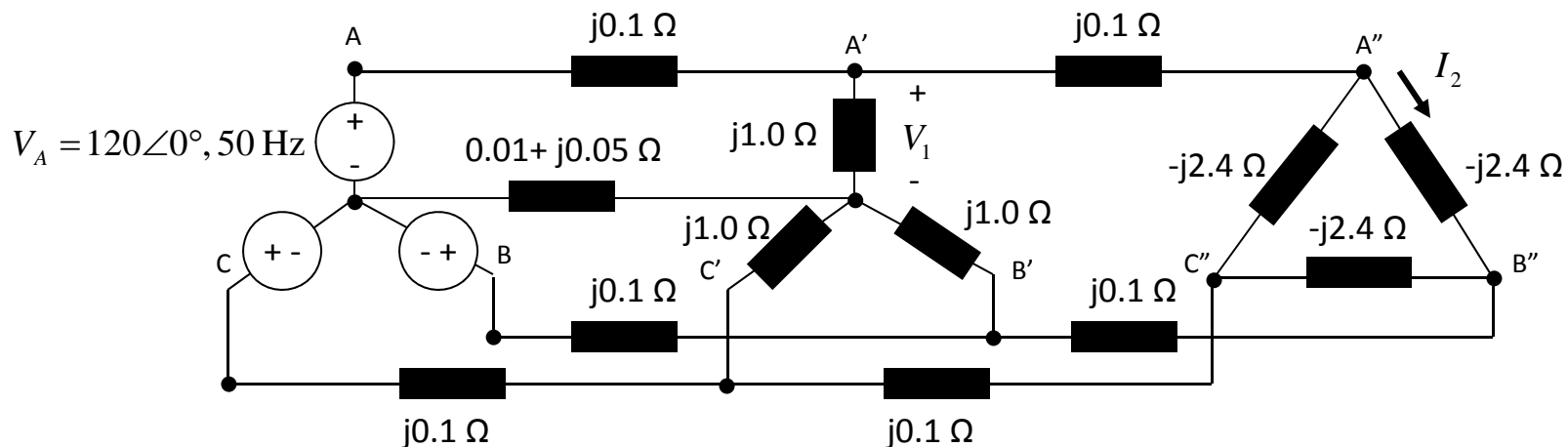
$$V_{2b} = V_{2a} \angle -120^\circ$$

$$I_C = \frac{V_{2a} - V_{2b}}{-j15} = \frac{1.5 \angle -30^\circ - 1.5 \angle (-30^\circ - 120^\circ)}{15 \angle -90^\circ} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{10} \angle 90^\circ \text{ A}$$

$$\text{Ans: } I_S = 0.2 \angle 60^\circ, I_C = 0.1732 \angle 90^\circ$$

# Practice Problem 1

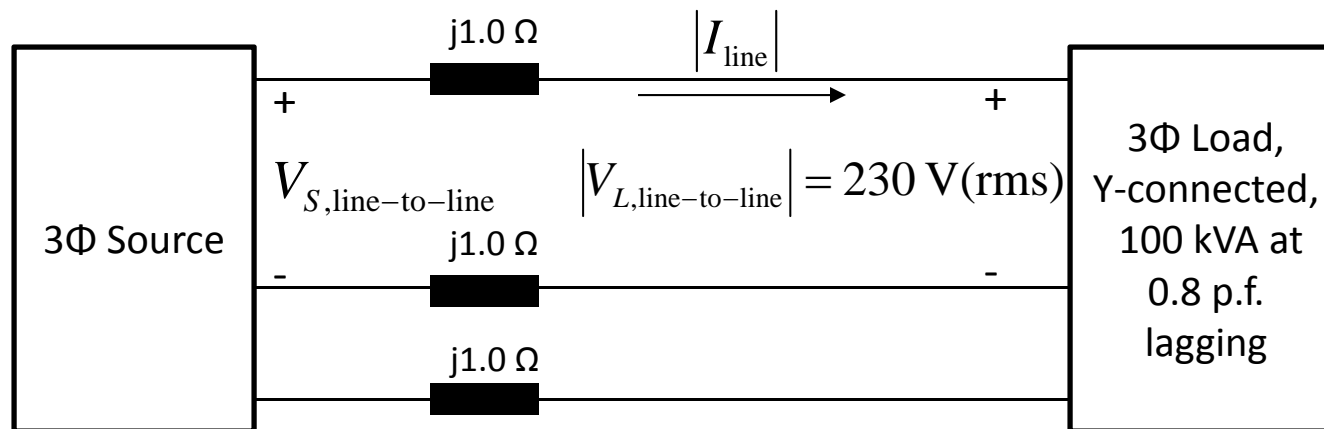
- (Final EE2022 AY2011/12 semester 1) Find the voltage  $V_1$  and current  $I_2$ .
  - Hint: remove the impedances that are in neutral line (why can we do this?) and transform delta to wye connection.*



Ans:  $V_1 = 125.37\angle 0^\circ, I_2 = 103.41\angle 120^\circ$

# Practice Problem 2

- (Final EE2022 AY2011/12 semester 1) A balanced three-phase voltage source feeds a balanced three-phase load shown below, find  $|V_{S,\text{line-to-line}}|$ .
  - Hint: Assume that line-to-line voltage at the load has reference angle of 0 degree. Then, find line current magnitude and angle at the load. Calculate line-to-neutral voltage from source using  $V_{\text{source}}(\text{line-to-neutral}) = I_{\text{line}} \times j1.0 + V_{\text{load}}(\text{line-to-neutral})$ . Then, use relationship between line-to-line voltage and line-to-neutral voltage to find  $V_{\text{source}}(\text{line-to-line})$ .*



Ans: 601.61 V

# Summary

- Three-phase complex power,

$$|S_{3\Phi}| = \sqrt{3} |V_{\text{Line-To-Line}}| |I_{\text{Line}}|$$

- Per phase analysis
  - Only applied to **balanced** three-phase circuit.
  - Need to **convert** all **Delta**-connected load/sources to **Wye**-connected load/sources.
  - Same analysis as **single-phase** circuit.