



INTRODUCTION TO THREE PHASE SYSTEM

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Learning Outcomes:

After the ending of the lesson, students will be able to know,

- About **Single phase**, **Two phase** and **polyphase system**.
- The difference between **single phase**, **two phase** and **three phase systems**
- The **characteristics** of three phase system
- The **advantages** of **three phase system** over **single phase system**
- About **balance** and **unbalance system**
- About the procedure of determining **phase sequences** of a system

Single Phase Vs Two Phase

Single Phase System

- ❑ System has only one phase angle
- ❑ The magnitude of the sources are same or different
- ❑ The phase difference between each sources are zero

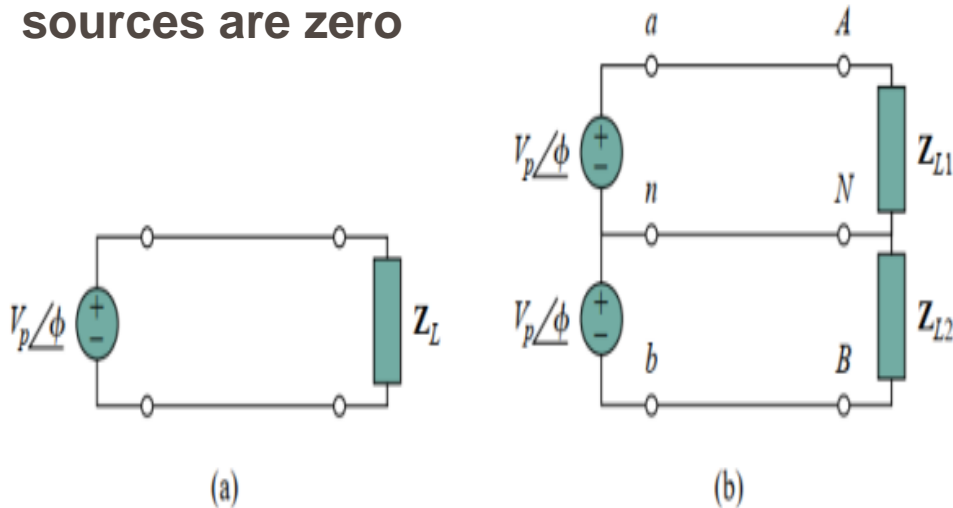


Fig. 1. Single-phase systems: (a) two-wire type, (b) three-wire type

Two Phase System

- System has two phase angles
- The magnitude of the sources are same or different
- The phase difference between each sources are 90 degrees

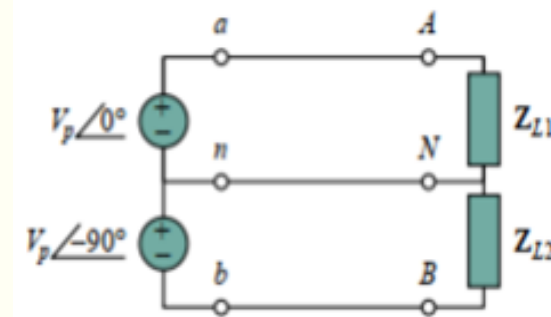


Fig. 2. Two-phase systems three-wire type



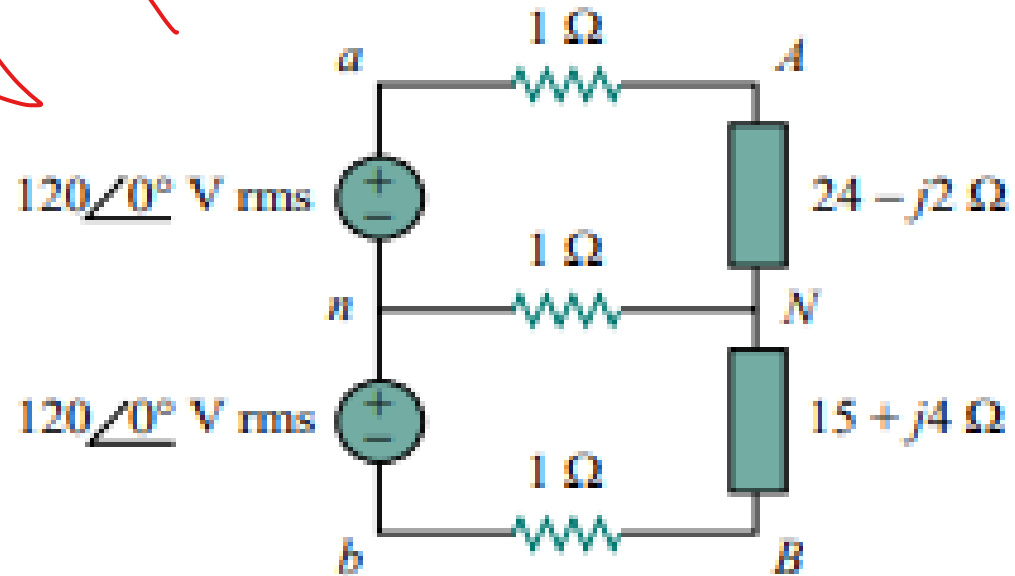
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Question Session

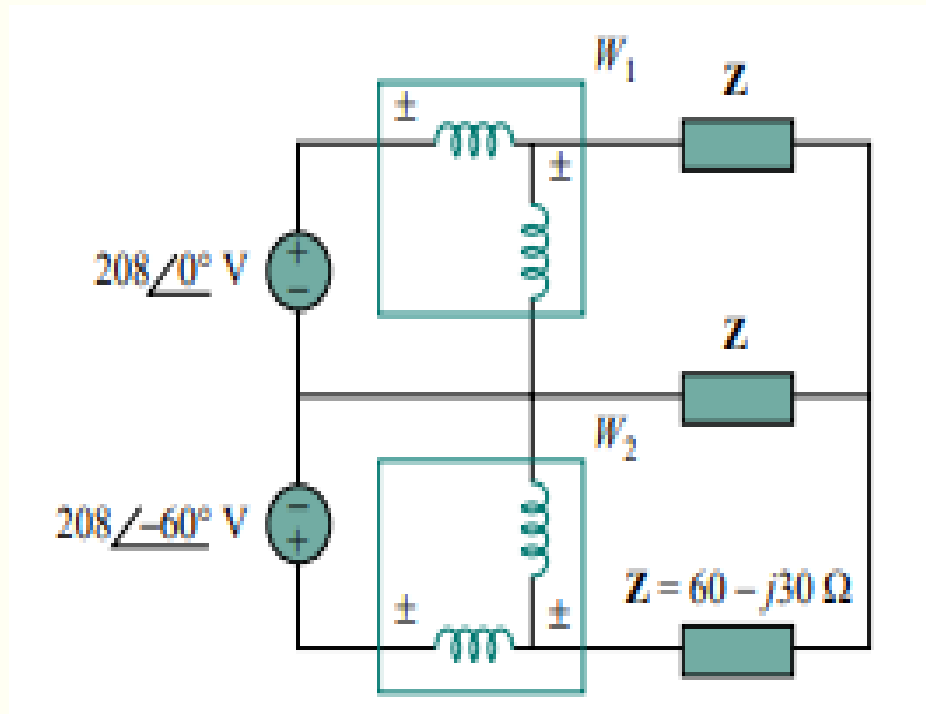
Which kind of system has shown in the following figure?

single phase



Question Session

Which kind of system has shown in the following figure?



Three Phase System

- It has **same or different amplitude** but **same frequency**
- out of phase with each other by **120°**

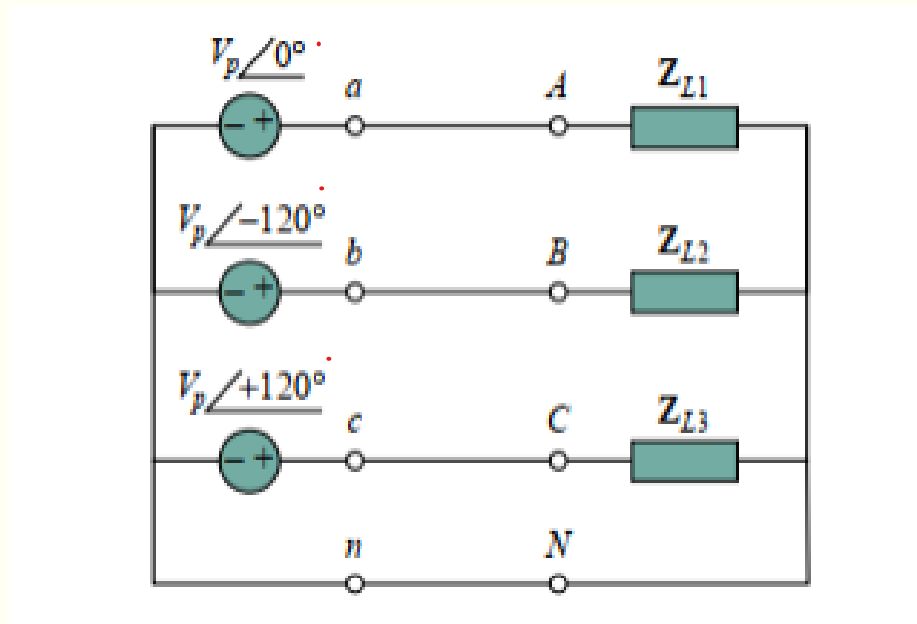
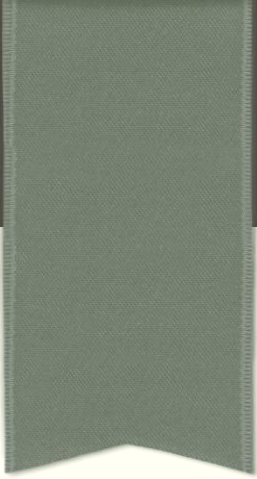
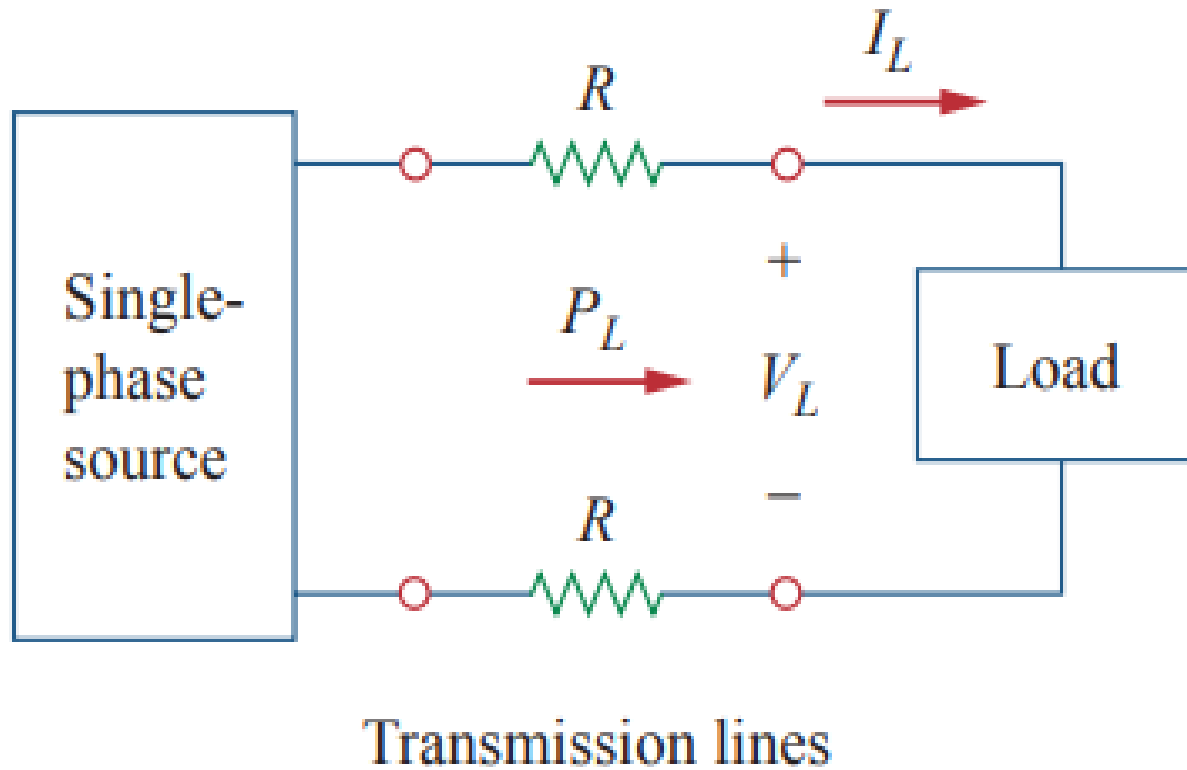


Fig. 3 Three phase four wire system



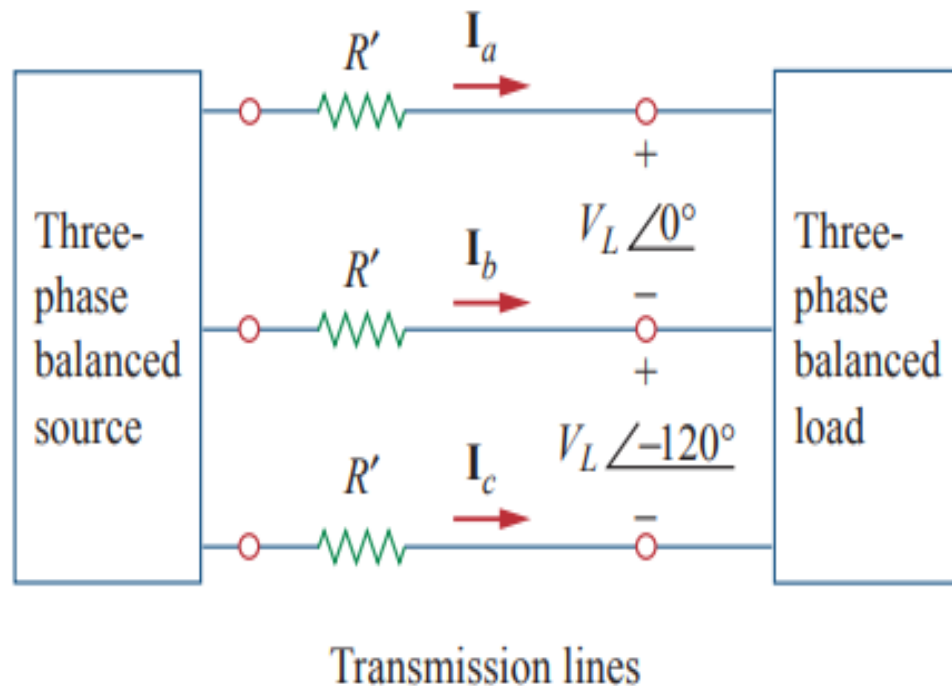
Why 3 phase system instead of single phase?

Let's look into a 2-wire single phase system



$$P_{\text{loss}} = 2I_L^2 R = 2R \frac{P_L^2}{V_L^2}$$

For a three phase system with:
Same power delivered and same line voltage



$$P'_{\text{loss}} = 3(I'_L)^2 R' = 3R' \frac{P_L^2}{3V_L^2} = R' \frac{P_L^2}{V_L^2}$$

$$\frac{P_{\text{loss}}}{P'_{\text{loss}}} = \frac{2R}{R'}$$

$$R = \rho \ell / \pi r^2 \text{ and } R' = \rho \ell / \pi r'^2,$$

$$\frac{P_{\text{loss}}}{P'_{\text{loss}}} = \frac{2r'^2}{r^2}$$

If same power is tolerated in both systems,

$$r^2 = 2r'^2$$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\text{Material for single-phase}}{\text{Material for three-phase}} &= \frac{2(\pi r^2 \ell)}{3(\pi r'^2 \ell)} = \frac{2r^2}{3r'^2} \\ &= \frac{2}{3}(2) = 1.333\end{aligned}$$

Conclusion

- Single phase systems use **33% more material** than a 3-phase system to deliver the same power
- So, considerably less material is required to deliver power with a three-phase system than is required for a single phase system

Advantages of Three Phase System

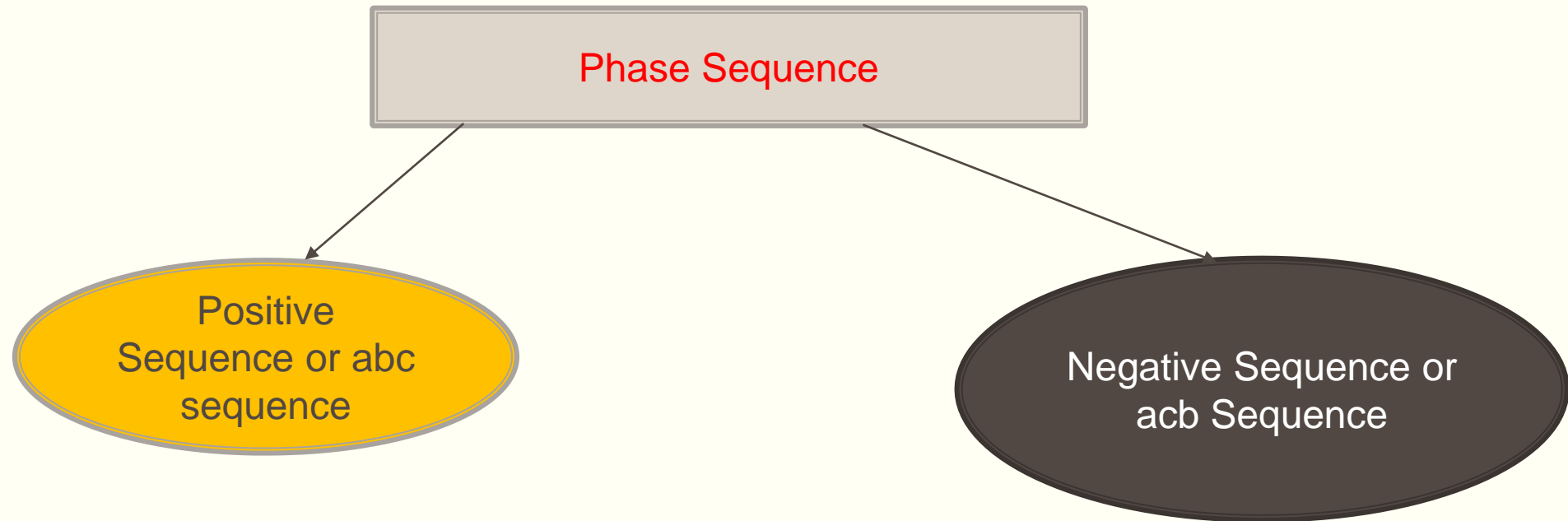
- First, **nearly all electric power is generated and distributed in three-phase**, at the operating frequency of 60 Hz (or $\omega = 377$ rad/s) in the United States or 50 Hz (or $\omega = 314$ rad/s) in some other parts of the world.
- When one phase or two-phase inputs are required, they are taken from the three phase system rather than generated independently.
- The **instantaneous power** in a three-phase system can be **constant** (not pulsating). This results in uniform power transmission and less vibration of three-phase machines.
- for the same amount of power, the three-phase system is **more economical** than the single-phase. Amount of wire required for a three-phase system is less than that required for an equivalent single-phase system.

Assignment 1

Compare the advantages and disadvantages of three phase and polyphase systems



Phase Sequence Calculation



Mathematical Expression for Positive Sequence

$$V_{an} = V_p \angle 0^\circ$$

$$V_{bn} = V_p \angle -120^\circ$$

$$V_{cn} = V_p \angle -240^\circ = V_p \angle +120^\circ$$

where V_p is the effective or rms value

Mathematical Expression for Negative Sequence

$$V_{an} = V_p \angle 0^\circ$$

$$V_{cn} = V_p \angle -120^\circ$$

$$V_{bn} = V_p \angle -240^\circ = V_p \angle +120^\circ$$

where V_p is the effective or rms value

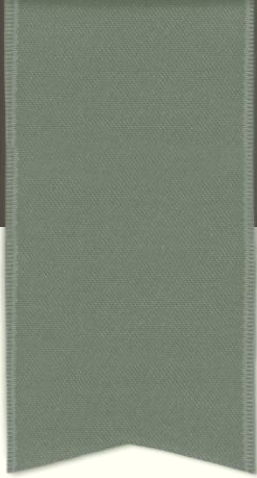
Procedure for determining Phase Sequence

Step 1

We have to draw the vector diagram at first

Step 2

First we have to take Van as reference then rotate in clockwise direction to find the phase sequence



MATHEMATICAL PROBLEM

Problem 1

Given that $V_{bn} = 110 \angle 30^\circ$, find V_{an} and V_{cn} , assuming a positive (*abc*) sequence.

Answer: $110 \angle 150^\circ$, $110 \angle -90^\circ$.

What is the phase sequence of a balanced three-phase circuit for which $V_{an} = 160 \angle 30^\circ$ V and $V_{cn} = 160 \angle -90^\circ$ V? Find V_{bn} .



Determine the phase sequence of the set of voltages

$$v_{an} = 200 \cos(\omega t + 10^\circ)$$

$$v_{bn} = 200 \cos(\omega t - 230^\circ), \quad v_{cn} = 200 \cos(\omega t - 110^\circ)$$

Problem_2

Determine the phase sequence of a balanced three-phase circuit in which $\mathbf{V}_{bn} = 208 \angle 130^\circ \text{ V}$ and $\mathbf{V}_{cn} = 208 \angle 10^\circ \text{ V}$. Obtain \mathbf{V}_{an} .





QUESTION SESSION_2

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MCQ questions

What is the phase sequence of a three-phase motor for which $\mathbf{V}_{AN} = 220 \angle -100^\circ \text{ V}$ and $\mathbf{V}_{BN} = 220 \angle 140^\circ \text{ V}$?

(a) *abc*

(b) *acb*

If in an *acb* phase sequence, $\mathbf{V}_{an} = 100 \angle -20^\circ$, then \mathbf{V}_{cn} is:

(a) $100 \angle -140^\circ$

(b) $100 \angle 100^\circ$

(c) $100 \angle -50^\circ$

(d) $100 \angle 10^\circ$



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