

## 5.1 Comparison between single phase and three phase

| Basis for<br>Comparison    | Single Phase                                 | Three Phase                                      |  |
|----------------------------|--|--|--|
| Definition                 | The power supply through one conductor.      | The power supply through three conductors.       |  |
| Wave Shape                 | 180° 360°                                    | R  |  |
| Number of wire             | Require two wires for completing the circuit | Requires four wires for completing the circuit   |  |
| Voltage                    | Carry 230V                                   | Carry 415V                                       |  |
| Phase Name                 | Split phase                                  | No other name                                    |  |
| Network                    | Simple                                       | Complicated                                      |  |
| Loss                       | Maximum                                      | Minimum  |  |
| Power Supply<br>Connection | R Y B N Consumer Load                        | R Y B N Consumer Load                            |  |
| Efficiency                 | Less   | High   |  |
| Economical                 | Less   | More   |  |
| Uses                       | For home appliances.                         | In large industries and for running heavy loads. |  |

## 5.2 Generation of three phase EMF

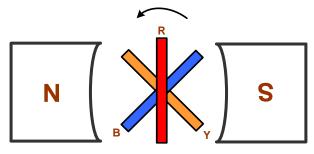


Figure 5.1 Generation of three phase emf

According to Faraday's law of electromagnetic induction, we know that whenever a coil
is rotated in a magnetic field, there is a sinusoidal emf induced in that coil.



- Now, we consider 3 coil  $C_1(R\text{-phase})$ ,  $C_2(Y\text{-phase})$  and  $C_3(B\text{-phase})$ , which are displaced  $120^0$  from each other on the same axis. This is shown in fig. 5.1.
- The coils are rotating in a uniform magnetic field produced by the N and S pols in the counter clockwise direction with constant angular velocity.
- According to Faraday's law, emf induced in three coils. The emf induced in these three coils will have phase difference of 120°. i.e. if the induced emf of the coil C<sub>1</sub> has phase of 0°, then induced emf in the coil C<sub>2</sub> lags that of C<sub>1</sub> by 120° and C<sub>3</sub> lags that of C<sub>2</sub> 120°.

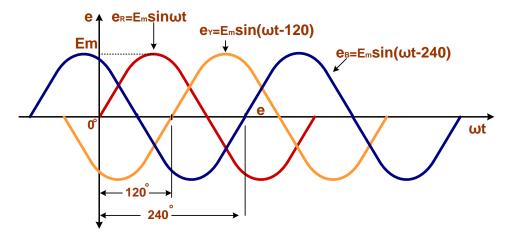


Figure 5.2 Waveform of Three Phase EMF

Thus, we can write,

$$e_R = E_m \sin \omega t$$

$$e_Y = E_m \sin (\omega t - 120^0)$$

$$e_B = E_m \sin (\omega t - 240^0)$$

• The above equation can be represented by their phasor diagram as in the Fig. 5.3.

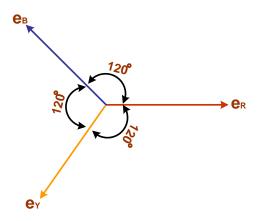


Figure 5.3 Phasor Diagram of Three Phase EMF

## 5.3 Important definitions

### > Phase Voltage

It is defined as the voltage across either phase winding or load terminal. It is denoted by  $V_{ph}$ . Phase voltage  $V_{RN}$ ,  $V_{YN}$  and  $V_{BN}$  are measured between R-N, Y-N, B-N for star connection and between R-Y, Y-B, B-R in delta connection.



#### Line voltage

It is defined as the voltage across any two-line terminal. It is denoted by V<sub>L</sub>.

Line voltage  $V_{RY}$ ,  $V_{YB}$ ,  $V_{BR}$  measure between R-Y, Y-B, B-R terminal for star and delta connection both.

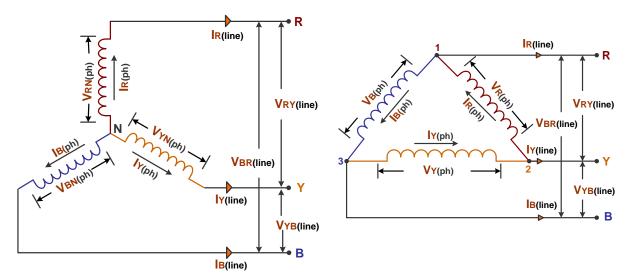


Figure 5.4 Three Phase Star Connection System

Figure 5.5 Three Phase Delta Connection System

#### > Phase current

It is defined as the current flowing through each phase winding or load. It is denoted by  $I_{ph}$ . Phase current  $I_{R(ph)}$ ,  $I_{Y(ph)}$  and  $I_{B(Ph)}$  measured in each phase of star and delta connection. respectively.

#### > Line current

It is defined as the current flowing through each line conductor. It denoted by  $I_L$ . Line current  $I_{R(line)}$ ,  $I_{Y(line)}$ , and  $I_{B((line))}$  are measured in each line of star and delta connection.

#### > Phase sequence

The order in which three coil emf or currents attain their peak values is called the phase sequence. It is customary to denoted the 3 phases by the three colours. i.e. red (R), yellow (Y), blue (B).

#### > Balance System

A system is said to be balance if the voltages and currents in all phase are equal in magnitude and displaced from each other by equal angles.

#### Unbalance System

A system is said to be unbalance if the voltages and currents in all phase are unequal in magnitude and displaced from each other by unequal angles.

#### Balance load

In this type the load in all phase are equal in magnitude. It means that the load will have the same power factor equal currents in them.

#### Unbalance load

In this type the load in all phase have unequal power factor and currents.



## 5.4 Relation between line and phase values for voltage and current in case of balanced delta connection.

> **Delta (Δ) or Mesh connection**, starting end of one coil is connected to the finishing end of other phase coil and so on which giving a closed circuit.

#### **Circuit Diagram**

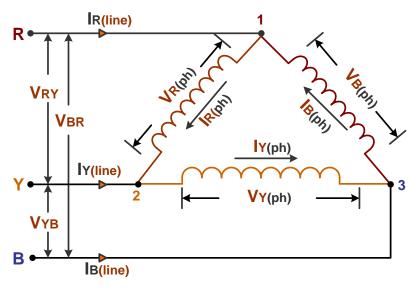


Figure 5.6 Three Phase Delta Connection

• Let,

Line voltage, 
$$V_{RY} = V_{YB} = V_{BR} = V_{L}$$
  
Phase voltage,  $V_{R(ph)} = V_{Y(ph)} = V_{B(ph)} = V_{ph}$   
Line current,  $I_{R(line)} = I_{Y(line)} = I_{B(line)} = I_{line}$   
Phase current,  $I_{R(ph)} = I_{Y(ph)} = I_{B(ph)} = I_{ph}$ 

#### Relation between line and phase voltage

• For delta connection line voltage V<sub>L</sub> and phase voltage V<sub>ph</sub> both are same.

$$V_{RY} = V_{R(ph)}$$
 $V_{YB} = V_{Y(ph)}$ 
 $V_{BR} = V_{B(ph)}$ 
 $\therefore V_{L} = V_{ph}$ 

Line voltage = Phase Voltage

#### Relation between line and phase current

For delta connection,

$$\begin{split} &\mathbf{I}_{\mathrm{R}(\mathit{line})} \!=\! \mathbf{I}_{\mathrm{R}(\mathit{ph})} - \mathbf{I}_{\mathrm{B}(\mathit{ph})} \\ &\mathbf{I}_{\mathrm{Y}(\mathit{line})} \!=\! \mathbf{I}_{\mathrm{Y}(\mathit{ph})} - \mathbf{I}_{\mathrm{R}(\mathit{ph})} \\ &\mathbf{I}_{\mathrm{B}(\mathit{line})} = \mathbf{I}_{\mathrm{B}(\mathit{ph})} - \mathbf{I}_{\mathrm{Y}(\mathit{ph})} \end{split}$$



• i.e. current in each line is vector difference of two of the phase currents.

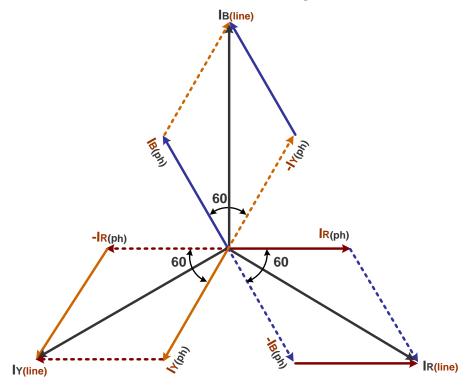


Figure 5.7 Phasor Diagram of Three Phase Delta Connection

So, considering the parallelogram formed by I<sub>R</sub> and I<sub>B</sub>.

$$\begin{split} &I_{R(line)} = \sqrt{I_{R(ph)}^{2} + I_{B(ph)}^{2} + 2I_{R(ph)}I_{B(ph)}\cos\theta} \\ &\therefore I_{L} = \sqrt{I_{ph}^{2} + I_{ph}^{2} + 2I_{ph}I_{ph}\cos60^{\circ}} \\ &\therefore I_{L} = \sqrt{I_{ph}^{2} + I_{ph}^{2} + 2I_{ph}^{2} \times \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)} \\ &\therefore I_{L} = \sqrt{3I_{ph}^{2}} \\ &\therefore I_{L} = \sqrt{3}I_{ph} \end{split}$$

- Similarly,  $I_{Y(line)} = I_{B(line)} = \sqrt{3} I_{ph}$
- Thus, in delta connection Line current =  $\sqrt{3}$  Phase current

#### **Power**

$$P = V_{ph}I_{ph}\cos\phi + V_{ph}I_{ph}\cos\phi + V_{ph}I_{ph}\cos\phi$$

$$P = 3V_{ph}I_{ph}\cos\phi$$

$$P = 3V_{L}\left(\frac{I_{L}}{\sqrt{3}}\right)\cos\phi$$

$$\therefore P = \sqrt{3}V_{L}I_{L}\cos\phi$$



# 5.5 Relation between line and phase values for voltage and current in case of balanced star connection.

➤ In the **Star Connection**, the similar ends (either start or finish) of the three windings are connected to a common point called star or neutral point.

#### **Circuit Diagram**

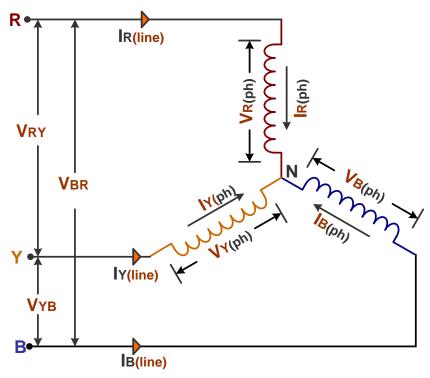


Figure 5.8 Circuit Diagram of Three Phase Star Connection

#### Let,

line voltage, 
$$V_{RY} = V_{BY} = V_{BR} = V_L$$
 phase voltage,  $V_{R(ph)} = V_{Y(ph)} = V_{B(ph)} = V_{ph}$  line current,  $I_{R(line)} = I_{Y(line)} = I_{B(line)} = I_{line}$  phase current,  $I_{R(ph)} = I_{Y(ph)} = I_{B(ph)} = I_{ph}$ 

#### Relation between line and phase voltage

• For star connection, line current I<sub>L</sub> and phase current I<sub>ph</sub> both are same.

$$\begin{split} I_{R(line)} &= I_{R(ph)} \\ I_{Y(line)} &= I_{Y(ph)} \\ I_{B(line)} &= I_{B(ph)} \\ \therefore \quad I_{L} &= I_{nh} \end{split}$$

Line Current = Phase Current

#### Relation between line and phase voltage

For delta connection,



$$\begin{split} & V_{RY} \!=\! V_{R(ph)} - V_{Y(ph)} \\ & V_{YB} \!=\! V_{Y(ph)} - V_{B(ph)} \\ & V_{BR} \!=\! V_{B(ph)} - V_{R(ph)} \end{split}$$

• i.e. line voltage is vector difference of two of the phase voltages. Hence,

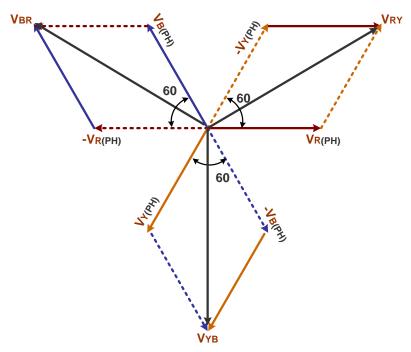


Figure 5.9 Phasor Diagram of Three Phase Star Connection

### From parallelogram,

$$V_{RY} = \sqrt{V_{R(ph)}^{2} + V_{Y(ph)}^{2} + 2V_{R(ph)}V_{Y(ph)}\cos\theta}$$

$$\therefore V_{L} = \sqrt{V_{ph}^{2} + V_{ph}^{2} + 2V_{ph}V_{ph}\cos60^{\circ}}$$

$$\therefore V_{L} = \sqrt{V_{ph}^{2} + V_{ph}^{2} + 2V_{ph}^{2} \times \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)}$$

$$\therefore V_{L} = \sqrt{3V_{ph}^{2}}$$

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- Similarly,  $V_{YB} = V_{BR} = \sqrt{3} V_{ph}$
- Thus, in star connection Line voltage =  $\sqrt{3}$  Phase voltage

#### **Power**

$$P = V_{ph}I_{ph}\cos\phi + V_{ph}I_{ph}\cos\phi + V_{ph}I_{ph}\cos\phi$$

$$P = 3V_{ph}I_{ph}\cos\phi$$

$$P = 3\left(\frac{V_L}{\sqrt{3}}\right)I_L\cos\phi$$

$$\therefore P = \sqrt{3}V_LI_L\cos\phi$$



# 5.6 Measurement of power in balanced 3-phase circuit by two-watt meter method

• This is the method for 3-phase power measurement in which sum of reading of two wattmeter gives total power of system.

#### **Circuit Diagram**

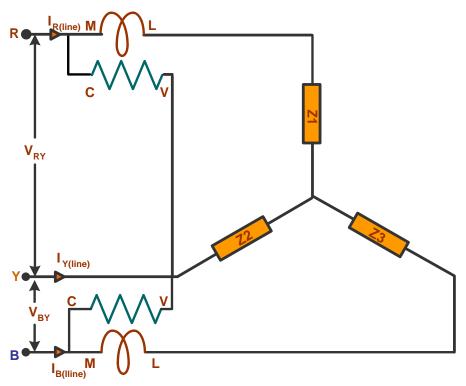


Figure 5.10 Circuit Diagram of Power Measurement by Two-Watt Meter in Three Phase Star Connection

• The load is considered as an inductive load and thus, the phasor diagram of the inductive load is drawn below in Fig. 5.11.

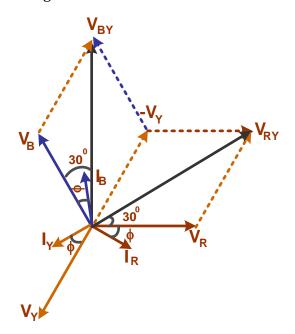


Figure 5.11 Phasor Diagram of Power Measurement by Two-Watt Meter in Three Phase Star Connection



• The three voltages  $V_{RN}$ ,  $V_{YN}$  and  $V_{BN}$ , are displaced by an angle of  $120^{\circ}$  degree electrical as shown in the phasor diagram. The phase current lag behind their respective phase voltages by an angle  $\phi$ . The power measured by the Wattmeter,  $W_1$  and  $W_2$ .

Reading of wattmeter, 
$$W_1 = V_{RY}I_R \cos \phi_1 = V_LI_L \cos(30 + \phi)$$

Reading of wattmeter, 
$$W_2 = V_{BY}I_B \cos \phi_2 = V_LI_L \cos(30 - \phi)$$

Total power,  $P = W_1 + W_2$ 

$$\therefore P = V_L I_L \cos(30 + \phi) + V_L I_L \cos(30 - \phi)$$

$$= V_L I_L \Big[ \cos(30 + \phi) + \cos(30 - \phi) \Big]$$

$$= V_L I_L \Big[ \cos 30 \cos \phi + \sin 30 \sin \phi + \cos 30 \cos \phi - \sin 30 \sin \phi \Big]$$

$$= V_L I_L \Big[ 2 \cos 30 \cos \phi \Big]$$

$$= V_L I_L \Big[ 2 \Big( \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \Big) \cos \phi \Big]$$

$$= \sqrt{3} V_L I_L \cos \phi$$

 Thus, the sum of the readings of the two wattmeter is equal to the power absorbed in a 3phase balanced system.

#### **Determination of Power Factor from Wattmeter Readings**

As we know that

$$W_1 + W_2 = \sqrt{3}V_1I_1\cos\phi$$

Now,

$$\begin{split} W_{1} - W_{2} &= V_{L}I_{L}\cos(30 + \phi) - V_{L}I_{L}\cos(30 - \phi) \\ &= V_{L}I_{L}\left[\cos 30\cos \phi + \sin 30\sin \phi - \cos 30\cos \phi + \sin 30\sin \phi\right] \\ &= V_{L}I_{L}\left[2\sin 30\sin \phi\right] \\ &= V_{L}I_{L}\left[2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\sin \phi\right] = V_{L}I_{L}\sin \phi \\ &\therefore \frac{\sqrt{3}(W_{1} - W_{2})}{(W_{1} + W_{2})} = \frac{\sqrt{3}V_{L}I_{L}\sin \phi}{\sqrt{3}V_{L}I_{L}\cos \phi} = \tan \phi \\ &\therefore \tan \phi = \frac{\sqrt{3}(W_{1} - W_{2})}{(W_{1} + W_{2})} \end{split}$$

• Power factor of load given as,

$$\therefore \cos \phi = \cos \left( \tan^{-1} \frac{\sqrt{3} \left( W_1 - W_2 \right)}{\left( W_1 + W_2 \right)} \right)$$

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### Effect of power factor on wattmeter reading:

• From the Fig. 5.6, it is clear that for lagging power factor  $\cos \phi$ , the wattmeter readings are

$$W_1 = V_L I_L \cos(30 + \phi)$$

$$W_2 = V_L I_L \cos(30 - \phi)$$

• Thus, readings  $W_1$  and  $W_2$  will very depending upon the power factor angle  $\phi$ .

| p.f               | φ   | $W_1 = V_L I_L \cos(30 + \phi)$  | $W_2 = V_L I_L \cos(30 - \phi)$  | Remark                          |
|-------------------|-----|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| $\cos \phi = 1$   | 00  | $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}V_{_L}I_{_L}$ | $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}V_{_L}I_{_L}$ | Both equal and +ve              |
| $\cos \phi = 0.5$ | 600 | 0                                | $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}V_{_L}I_{_L}$ | One zero and second total power |
| $\cos \phi = 0$   | 900 | $-\frac{1}{2}V_{L}I_{L}$         | $\frac{1}{2}V_{_L}I_{_L}$        | Both equal but opposite         |