



Basic Electrical Technology

[ELE 1051]

Three Phase AC Circuits

L24 – Power Associated with Three Phase System

Topics Covered



Power in 3 phase system: active, reactive and apparent. Power measurement

Three Phase Power



I. Star Connected Load

Complex Power,

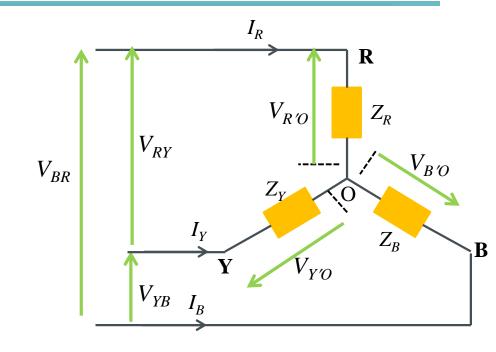
$$S = V_{R'O}I_R^* + V_{Y'O}I_Y^* + V_{B'O}I_B^*$$

Active Power,

$$P = V_{R'O} I_R Cos \angle (V_{R'O} \& I_R) + V_{Y'O} I_Y Cos \angle (V_{Y'O} \& I_Y) + V_{R'O} I_B Cos \angle (V_{R'O} \& I_B)$$

Reactive Power,

$$Q = V_{R'O} I_R Sin \angle (V_{R'O} \& I_R) + V_{Y'O} I_Y Sin \angle (V_{Y'O} \& I_Y) + V_{B'O} I_B Sin \angle (V_{B'O} \& I_B)$$



For Balanced Load,

Complex Power, $S = \sqrt{3} V_L I_L^*$

Active Power, $P = \sqrt{3} V_L I_L Cos \angle \pm \theta$

Reactive Power, $Q = \sqrt{3} V_L I_L Sin \angle \pm \theta$

Apparent Power, $S = \sqrt{3} V_L I_L$

Three Phase Power...



2. Delta Connected Load

Complex Power,

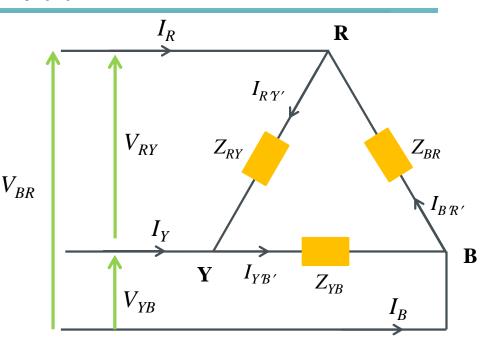
$$S = V_{RY} I_{R'Y'}^{*} + V_{YB} I_{Y'B'}^{*} + V_{BR} I_{B'R'}^{*}$$

Active Power,

$$P = V_{RY} I_{R'Y'} Cos \angle (V_{RY} \& I_{RY})$$

$$+ V_{YB} I_{Y'B'} Cos \angle (V_{YB} \& I_{YB})$$

$$+ V_{BR} I_{B'R'} Cos \angle (V_{BR} \& I_{BR})$$



Reactive Power,

$$Q = V_{RY} I_{R'Y'} Sin \angle (V_{RY} \& I_{Y})$$

$$+ V_{YB} I_{Y'B'} Sin \angle (V_{YB} \& I_{YB})$$

$$+ V_{BR} I_{R'R'} Sin \angle (V_{BR} \& I_{BR})$$

For Balanced Load,

Complex Power,
$$S = 3 V_{ph} I_{ph}^*$$

Active Power,
$$P = \sqrt{3} V_L I_L Cos \angle \pm \theta$$

Reactive Power,
$$Q = \sqrt{3} V_L I_L Sin \angle \pm \theta$$

Apparent Power,
$$S = \sqrt{3} V_L I_L$$

Exercise-I



A balanced star connected load of $8+j6\ \Omega$ per phase is connected to a 3 phase, 415V supply. Find the line currents, power factor, power, reactive volt amperes and total volt amperes.

Exercise-2



A star connected load is supplied from a symmetrical three phase, 440V system. The branch impedances of the load are $Z_R = 5 \angle 30^\circ \Omega$, $Z_Y = 10 \angle 45^\circ \Omega$, $Z_B = 10 \angle 60^\circ \Omega$. Find the active power supplied by the source.



1. Star Connected Load using 2 Wattmeter's

Wattmeter Reading,

$$W_1 = v_{RY} i_R = (v_{R'O} - v_{Y'O}) i_R$$

$$W_2 = v_{BY} i_B = (v_{B'O} - v_{Y'O}) i_B$$

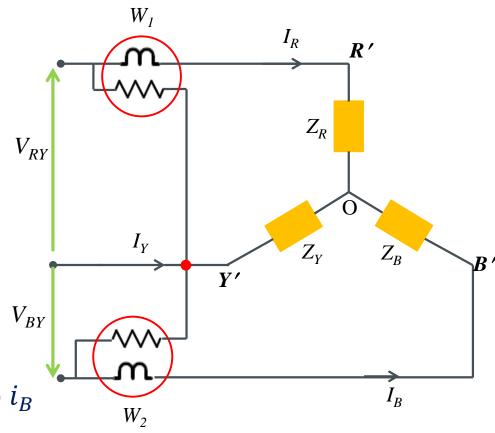
Total Active Power,

$$=W_1+W_2$$

$$= (v_{R'O} - v_{Y'O}) i_R + (v_{B'O} - v_{Y'O}) i_B$$

$$= v_{R'O} i_R - v_{Y'O} (i_R + i_B) + v_{B'O} i_B$$

$$= v_{R'O} i_R + v_{Y'O} i_Y + v_{B'O} i_B$$
 Since, $i_R + i_Y + i_B = 0$





2. Balanced Load (Star Connected) using 2 Wattmeter's

Wattmeter Reading,

$$W_1 = V_{RY} I_R Cos \angle (V_{RY} \& I_R)$$

$$= V_L I_L Cos(30^\circ + \theta)$$

$$W_2 = V_{BY} I_B Cos \angle (V_{BY} \& I_B)$$

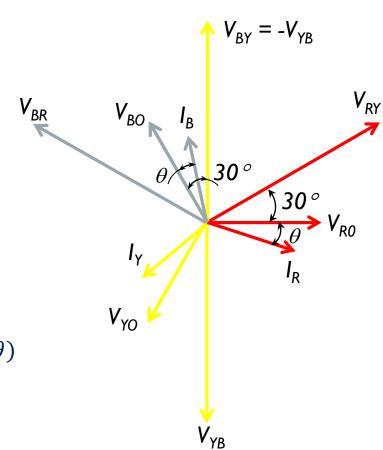
$$= V_L I_L Cos(30^\circ - \theta)$$

Total active power consumed,

$$P = W_1 + W_2$$

$$= V_L I_L \cos(30^\circ + \theta) + V_L I_L \cos(30^\circ - \theta)$$

$$= \sqrt{3} \times V_L I_L \cos\theta$$



Meas. of 3 Ph. Active Power...



Summation of two wattmeters,

$$W_1 + W_2 = \sqrt{3} \times V_L \times I_L \times Cos \theta$$

Difference in the reading of two wattmeters,

$$W_2 - W_1 = V_L \times I_L \times Sin \theta$$

Hence,

$$\frac{W_2 - W_1}{W_2 + W_1} = \frac{\sin \theta}{\sqrt{3} \times \cos \theta}$$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \left[\sqrt{3} \times \frac{W_2 - W_1}{W_2 + W_1} \right]$$

Power factor of the Balanced Load = $Cos\theta = Cos \left\{ tan^{-1} \left[\sqrt{3} \times \frac{W_2 - W_1}{W_2 + W_1} \right] \right\}$



3. Balanced Load (Star Connected) using I Wattmeter

Wattmeter Reading,

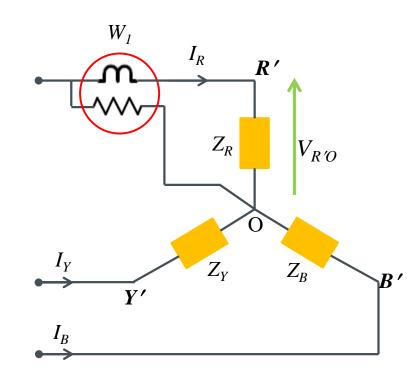
$$W_1 = V_{R'O} I_R Cos \angle (V_{R'O} \& I_R)$$
$$= V_{Ph} I_{Ph} Cos \theta$$

Total active power consumed,

$$= 3 \times W_1$$

$$= 3 \times V_{Ph} I_{Ph} Cos\theta$$

$$= \sqrt{3} \times V_L I_L Cos\theta$$





4. Balanced Load (Delta Connected) using I Wattmeter

Wattmeter Reading,

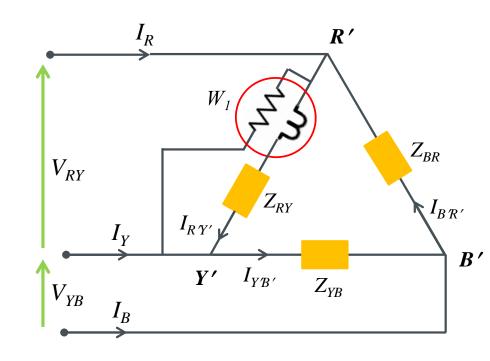
$$W_1 = V_{R'Y'} I_{R'Y'} Cos \angle (V_{R'Y'} \& I_{R'Y'})$$
$$= V_L I_{Ph} Cos \theta$$

Total active power consumed,

$$= 3 \times W_1$$

$$= 3 \times V_L I_{Ph} Cos\theta$$

$$= \sqrt{3} \times V_L I_L Cos\theta$$



Exercise-3



Three identical impedances of (8+j6) Ω are connected in delta across a symmetrical 3 phase, 3 wire 400 V system. Calculate the power factor using wattmeter readings.

Exercise-4



Three loads $Z_R = 5 \angle 30^{\circ} \Omega$, $Z_Y = 10 \angle 45^{\circ} \Omega$, $Z_B = 10 \angle 60^{\circ} \Omega$ are connected in Star to R,Y and B Phase respectively. The current coils of the two wattmeters are connected in R &Y lines. If the supply voltage is 415V, 50 Hz, determine the reading of the two wattmeters. Assume the phase sequence is RBY.

Summary



Measurement of Active Power for a three phase Star/Delta connected balanced/unbalanced load can be performed by using two wattmeters.

For a balanced Load, the Load Power factor can be measured by using one or two wattmeter method.

Measurement of power for a balanced Star/Delta load can be performed using one wattmeter.