



# Basic Electrical Engg – EE102 (Lecture Notes – 3 Phase AC Circuits)

## Topics Covered

- ✗ 3 Phase EMF Generation
- ✗ Delta and Star Connection
- ✗ Line and Phase Quantities
- ✓ Solution of 3 Phase Circuits
- ✗ Balanced Supply and Balanced Load
- ✗ Phasor Diagram
- ✓ 3 Phase Power Measurement by 2-Wattmeter Method

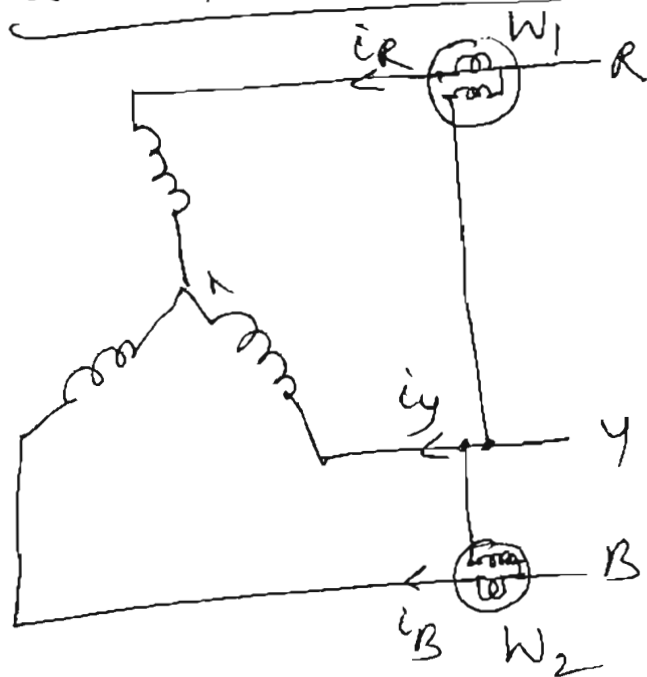


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# Measurement of Power in a Three phase system

3 W/m method  
2 W/m method  
Single W/m  $\rightarrow$  Balanced load.

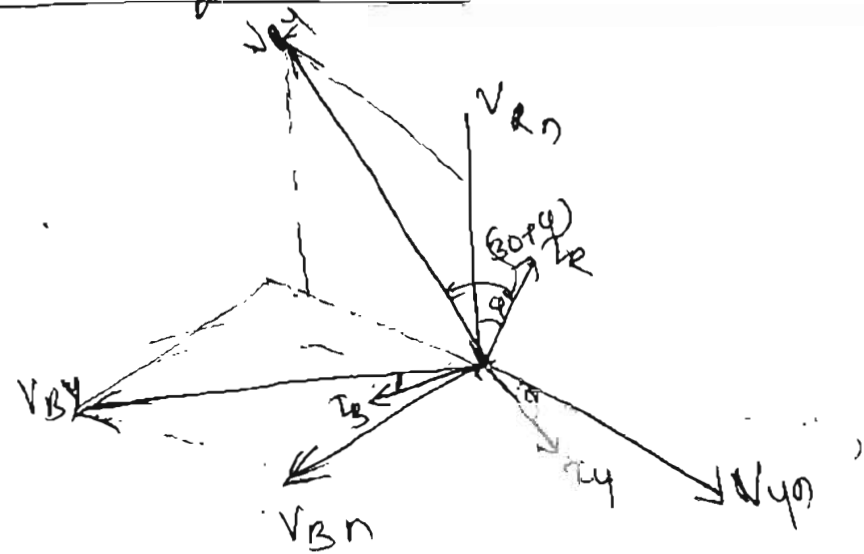
## 2 Wattmeter method



W/m reading of  $W_1 = i_R V_{Ry} \cos(30^\circ + \phi)$

W/m reading of  $W_2 = i_B V_{By} \cos(30^\circ - \phi)$

$$W_1 + W_2 = V_L I_L (2 \cos 30^\circ \cos \phi)$$



$$W_1 + W_2 = 2 \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} V_L I_L \cos \phi$$

$$= \boxed{\sqrt{3} V_L I_L \cos \phi} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$W_1 - W_2 = V_L I_L (-2 \sin 30^\circ \sin \phi)$$

$$= -V_L I_L \sin \phi \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

from (1) & (2)

$$\frac{W_1 - W_2}{W_1 + W_2} = \frac{-V_L I_L \sin \phi}{\sqrt{3} V_L I_L \cos \phi} = \frac{-\tan \phi}{\sqrt{3}}$$

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

# Two wattmeter method of Power measurement in a 3 phase circuit

Total inst.  $P = W$ .

$$W = i_{Rn} V_{Rn} + i_{Yn} V_{Yn} + i_{Bn} V_{Bn} \quad (1)$$

$$W_1 = i_{Rn} \cdot V_{RY} = i_{Rn} (V_{Rn} - V_{Yn})$$

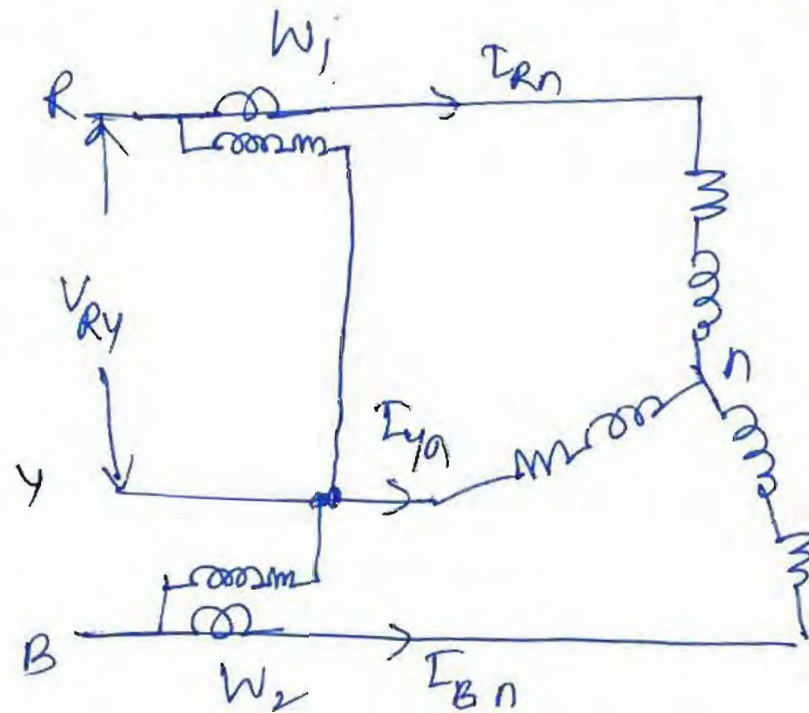
$$W_2 = i_{Bn} V_{BY} = i_{Bn} (V_{Bn} - V_{Yn})$$

$$W_1 + W_2 = i_{Rn} (V_{Rn} - V_{Yn}) + i_{Bn} (V_{Bn} - V_{Yn})$$

$$= i_{Rn} V_{Rn} + i_{Bn} V_{Bn} - V_{Yn} (i_{Rn} + i_{Bn})$$

$$\therefore W_1 + W_2 = i_{Rn} V_{Rn} + i_{Bn} V_{Bn} + V_{Yn} i_{Yn} \quad (2)$$

From (1) & (2)  $\Rightarrow$  Total  $P = W_1 + W_2$



But  $i_{Rn} + i_{Bn} + i_{Yn} = 0$   
or  $i_{Yn} = -(i_{Rn} + i_{Bn})$



Total Power,  $P = W_1 + W_2$

$$P_f = \cos \left[ \cos^{-1} \left( \frac{W_2 - W_1}{W_1 + W_2} \right) \sqrt{3} \right]$$

when  $\phi = 0$

ii)  $\phi = 60^\circ$

iii)  $\phi < 60$

$W_1 = W_2$

$W_1 = 0$

$W_1 \& W_2 +ve$

$P = W_1 + W_2$

Load - purely Resistive,  $P_f = \text{unity}$

$P_f = 0.5$

$P_f$  0.5 & 1

iv)  $\phi > 60$

Leading of  $W_1$  (-ve)

$P \rightarrow$  Diff b/w  $W/m$  readings

$P_f < 0.5$

v)  $\phi = 90^\circ$

$P_f = 0$   $|W_1| = |W_2|$   $W_1 +ve$

&  $W_2 (-ve)$  Total Power zero

Sl No	Power factor $P_f$ , phase angle $\phi$	W/m readings		Remarks
		$W_1$	$W_2$	
1.	$P_f = 1$ ( $\phi = 0$ )	+ve	+ve	$W_1 = W_2$
2.	$0.5 < P_f < 1$ $60^\circ > \phi > 0$	+ve	+ve	$W_1 > W_2$
3.	$P_f = 0.5$	+ve	0	$P = W_1$
4.	$0 < P_f < 0.5$ $90^\circ > \phi > 60^\circ$	+ve	-ve	$ W_1  >  W_2 $
5.	$P_f = 0$ $\phi = 90^\circ$	+ve	-ve	$ W_1  =  W_2 $ $P = 0$

### 3 phase circuits

A star connected  $\Delta$  3 $\phi$  load has a resistance of  $9\Omega$  and inductive reactance of  $11\Omega$  in each phase. It is fed by 3 phase  $400V$ ,  $50Hz$  supply. (a) write phasor expressions for voltage across each phase, line voltages and line currents (b) find total apparent power, active power and reactive power

$$a) \quad V_p = \frac{400}{\sqrt{3}} = 230.95V$$

$$\text{Let } V_{an} = V_p \angle 0^\circ = 230.95 \angle 0^\circ V$$

$$V_{bn} = V_p \angle -120^\circ = 230.95 \angle -120^\circ V$$

$$V_{cn} = V_p \angle -240^\circ = 230.95 \angle -240^\circ V$$

The line voltages are

$$V_{ab} = V_{an} - V_{bn} = 230.95 \angle 0^\circ - 230.95 \angle -120^\circ = 400 \angle 30^\circ V$$

$$V_{bc} = V_{bn} - V_{cn} = 230.95 \angle -120^\circ - 230.95 \angle -240^\circ = 400 \angle -90^\circ V$$

$$V_{ca} = V_{cn} - V_{an} = 230.95 \angle -240^\circ - 230.95 \angle 0^\circ = 400 \angle -210^\circ V$$

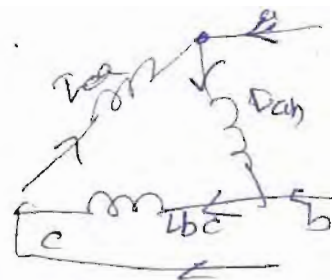
$$Z = 9 + j11 = 14.21 \angle 50.71^\circ \Omega$$

$$\therefore I_a = \frac{V_{an}}{Z} = \frac{230.95 \angle 0^\circ}{14.21 \angle 50.71^\circ} = 16.25 \angle -50.71^\circ A$$

$$I_b = \frac{V_{bn}}{Z} = \frac{230.95 \angle -120^\circ}{14.21 \angle 50.71^\circ} = 16.25 \angle -170.71^\circ A$$

$$I_c = \frac{V_{cn}}{Z} = \frac{230.95 \angle -240^\circ}{14.21 \angle 50.71^\circ} = 16.25 \angle -290.71^\circ A$$

b) Apparent power.  $= \sqrt{3} V_L I_L$   
 $= \sqrt{3} \times 400 \times 16.25$   
 $= \underline{11258 \text{ VA}}$



$$P = \sqrt{3} V_L I_L \cos \theta = 11258 \times \cos(50.71)$$

$$= \underline{7126.3 \text{ W}}$$

$$Q = \sqrt{3} V_L I_L \sin \theta = 11258 \times \sin(50.71)$$

$$= \underline{8713.69 \text{ Var}}$$

2 Repeat above numerical for delta connected load

Let  $V_{ab} = 400 \angle 0^\circ$ ,  $V_{bc} = 400 \angle -120^\circ \text{ V}$

$$V_{ca} = 400 \angle -240^\circ$$

$$I_{ab} = \frac{V_{ab}}{Z} = \frac{400 \angle 0^\circ}{14.21 \angle 50.71^\circ} = 28.15 \angle -50.71^\circ \text{ A}$$

$$I_{bc} = \frac{V_{bc}}{Z} = \frac{400 \angle -120^\circ}{14.21 \angle 50.71^\circ} = 28.15 \angle -170.71^\circ \text{ A}$$

$$I_{ca} = \frac{V_{ca}}{Z} = \frac{400 \angle -240^\circ}{14.21 \angle 50.71^\circ} = 28.15 \angle -69.29^\circ \text{ A}$$

$$= \underline{9.95 + j26.33 \text{ A}}$$

$$I_a = I_{ab} - I_{ca} = (17.83 - j21.79) - (9.95 + j26.33)$$

$$= \underline{7.88 - j48.12 \text{ A}} = \underline{48.76 \angle -80.7^\circ \text{ A}}$$

$$I_b = I_{bc} - I_{ab} = \underline{48.76 \angle 159.3^\circ \text{ A}}$$

$$I_c = I_{ca} - I_{bc} = \underline{48.75 \angle 39.3^\circ \text{ A}}$$



$$\text{Apparent power} = \sqrt{3} V_L I_L$$

$$= \sqrt{3} 400 \times 48.75$$

$$= \underline{\underline{33774 \text{ VA}}}$$

$$P = \sqrt{3} V_L I_L \cos \theta = 33774 \times 0.633$$

$$= \underline{\underline{21378.9 \text{ W}}}$$

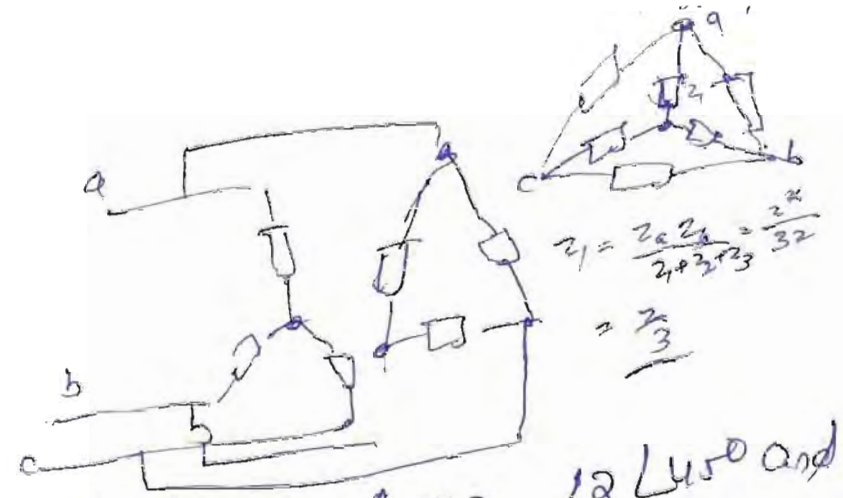
$$Q = \sqrt{3} V_L I_L \sin \theta = 33774 \times 0.774$$

$$= \underline{\underline{26141.1 \text{ Var}}}$$

3 Three equal impedances  $12 \angle 45^\circ$  are connected in star and another set of three equal impedances  $15 \angle 60^\circ$  are connected in delta. Both these loads are fed by a 400V 3 $\phi$  system. Find the magnitude of line current, apparent power, active power, reactive power and overall power factor.

$$Z_y = \frac{Z}{3} = \frac{15 \angle 60^\circ}{3}$$

$$= \underline{\underline{5 \angle 60^\circ}}$$



Each phase has two load impedances  $12 \angle 45^\circ$  and  $5 \angle 60^\circ$  in parallel. The equivalent load imp. per phase is

$$Z = \frac{12 \angle 45^\circ \times 5 \angle 60^\circ}{12 \angle 45^\circ + 5 \angle 60^\circ} = \frac{60 \angle 105^\circ}{8.48 + j8.48 + 2.5 + j4.33}$$

$$= \frac{60 \angle 105^\circ}{10.98 + j12.81} = \frac{60 \angle 105^\circ}{16.87 \angle 49.4^\circ} = \underline{\underline{3.557 \angle 55.6^\circ}}$$

$$V_p = \frac{400}{\sqrt{3}} = \underline{\underline{230.95 \text{ V}}}$$

$$I_L = I_p = \frac{230.95}{3.557} = \underline{\underline{64.93 \text{ A}}}$$

$$\text{Apparent power} = \sqrt{3} V_L I_L = \sqrt{3} \times 400 \times 64.93$$

$$= \underline{44983.5 \text{ VA}}$$

$$P = \sqrt{3} V_L I_L \cos \theta = 44983.5 \cos(55.6)$$

$$= \underline{25414.2 \text{ W}}$$

$$Q = \sqrt{3} V_L I_L \sin \theta = 44983.5 \sin(55.6)$$

$$= \underline{37116.5 \text{ Vars}}$$

$$\text{Power factor} = \cos(55.6) = \underline{0.565 \text{ lagging}}$$

4. Three similar impedances each  $10 \angle 45^\circ$  are connected in star across a 220V, 3-phase AC supply. Find (a) phase voltages (b) phase currents and line currents (c) readings of two wattmeters connected for measurement of power and (d) using  $W_1$  &  $W_2$  find total power and power factor and verify the results.

$$a) \text{ Phase voltage} = \frac{220}{\sqrt{3}} = \underline{127.02 \text{ V}}$$

$$V_{an} = 127.02 \angle 0^\circ$$

$$V_{bn} = 127.02 \angle -120^\circ$$

$$V_{cn} = 127.02 \angle 120^\circ$$

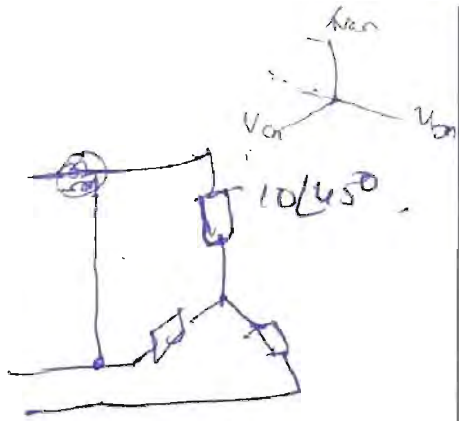
$$b) \text{ Phase current } I_a = \frac{127.02}{10 \angle 45^\circ} = \underline{12.7 \angle -45^\circ = I_L}$$

$$I_b = \frac{127.02 \angle -120^\circ}{10 \angle 45^\circ} = \underline{12.7 \angle -165^\circ \text{ A}}$$

$$I_c = \frac{127.02 \angle 120^\circ}{10 \angle 45^\circ} = \underline{12.7 \angle 75^\circ}$$

$$c) W_1 = \sqrt{3} V_p I \cos(30+4) = \sqrt{3} \times 127.02 \times 12.7 \cos(30+45)$$

$$= \underline{723.14 \text{ W}}$$



$$W_2 = \frac{P_T}{2} = \frac{\sqrt{3} V_p I_p \cos(30+4)}{2}$$



$$W_2 = \sqrt{3} V_p I_c \cos(30-45)$$

$$= \sqrt{3}(127.02) \times 12.7 \cdot \cos(30-45)$$

$$= \underline{2698.78 \text{ W}}$$

$$d) \text{ Total } P = W_1 + W_2 = 723.14 + 2698.78$$

$$= \underline{3422.02 \text{ W}} \quad \text{--- (a)}$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{\sqrt{3} (W_2 - W_1)}{W_1 + W_2} = \frac{\sqrt{3} (2698.78 - 723.14)}{3422.02} = 1$$

$$\theta = \underline{45^\circ}$$

$$\cos \theta = \underline{0.707}$$

$$\text{Total power} = 3 \times 127.02 \times 12.7 \cos 45^\circ$$

$$= \underline{3422.02 \text{ W}} \quad \text{--- (b)}$$

It is seen that total power and power factor are same as obtained from the readings of W/m.

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