

# 3-Phase systems



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Symmetrical components  
Tutorial 2

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- Solve numerical problems related to use of symmetrical components for analysis of unbalanced signals

# Example #1

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A 3-phase, 4-wire system has line currents as

$$I_a = 100 \angle 30^\circ$$

$$I_b = 50 \angle 300^\circ$$

$$I_c = 30 \angle 180^\circ$$

Calculate the positive, negative, and zero sequence currents in 'a' line and also calculate current in the neutral (4<sup>th</sup>) wire.

Original 3-phase currents are unbalanced

## Original set of unbalanced currents

$$I_a = 100 \angle 30^\circ$$

$$I_b = 50 \angle 300^\circ$$

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- We have to calculate the symmetrical components
- So left hand side of the equations must have the symmetrical components
- i.e.  $I_{a0}$ ,  $I_{a1}$ , and  $I_{a2}$
- Thus, we have to make use of the analysis equation

$$I_{a0} = \frac{1}{3}(I_a + I_b + I_c)$$

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- Zero sequence current in line “a”

$$\begin{aligned} I_{a0} &= \frac{1}{3}(I_a + I_b + I_c) \\ &= \frac{1}{3}(100 \angle 30^\circ + 50 \angle 300^\circ + 30 \angle 180^\circ) \\ &= \frac{1}{3}[(86.6 + j50) + (25 - j43.3) + (-30 + j0)] \\ &= 27.17 + j2.23 \\ &= 27.26 \angle 4.69^\circ \text{ A} \end{aligned}$$

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- Positive sequence current in line "a"

$$\begin{aligned}
 I_{a1} &= \frac{1}{3}(I_a + \alpha I_b + \alpha^2 I_c) \\
 &= \frac{1}{3}(100 \angle 30^\circ + 1 \angle 120^\circ \times 50 \angle 300^\circ + 1 \angle 240^\circ \times 30 \angle 180^\circ) \\
 &= \frac{1}{3}(100 \angle 30^\circ + 50 \angle 420^\circ + 30 \angle 420^\circ) \\
 &= \frac{1}{3}[(86.6 + j50) + (25 + j43.3) + (15 + j25.98)] \\
 &= 42.2 + j39.76 \\
 &= 57.98 \angle 43.3^\circ \text{ A}
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- Negative sequence current in line "a"

$$\begin{aligned}
 I_{a2} &= \frac{1}{3}(I_a + \alpha^2 I_b + \alpha I_c) \\
 &= \frac{1}{3}(100 \angle 30^\circ + 1 \angle 240^\circ \times 50 \angle 300^\circ + 1 \angle 120^\circ \times 30 \angle 180^\circ) \\
 &= \frac{1}{3}(100 \angle 30^\circ + 50 \angle 540^\circ + 30 \angle 300^\circ) \\
 &= \frac{1}{3}[(86.6 + j50) + (-50 + j0) + (15 - j25.98)] \\
 &= 17.2 + j8 \\
 &= 18.97 \angle 24.94^\circ \text{ A}
 \end{aligned}$$

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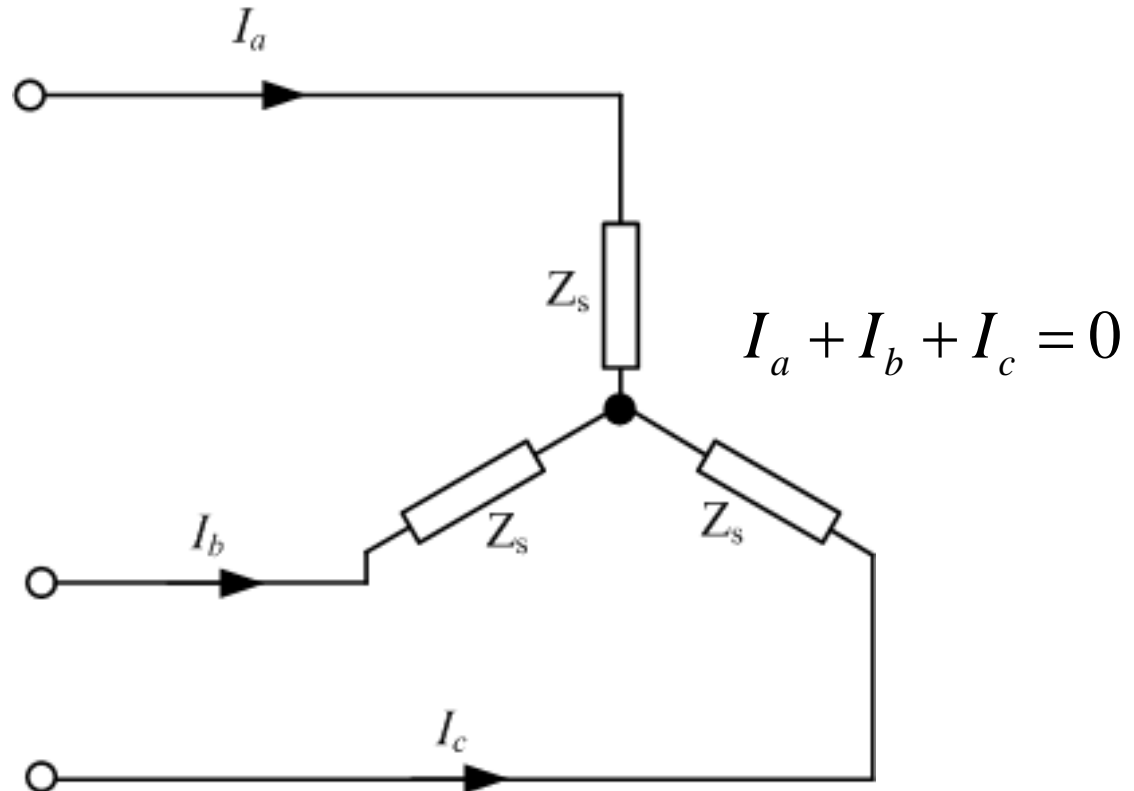
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- **Neutral current**
- In a 3-phase 3-wire system, summation of the three line currents must always be zero at the star point (KCL) since there is no return path.





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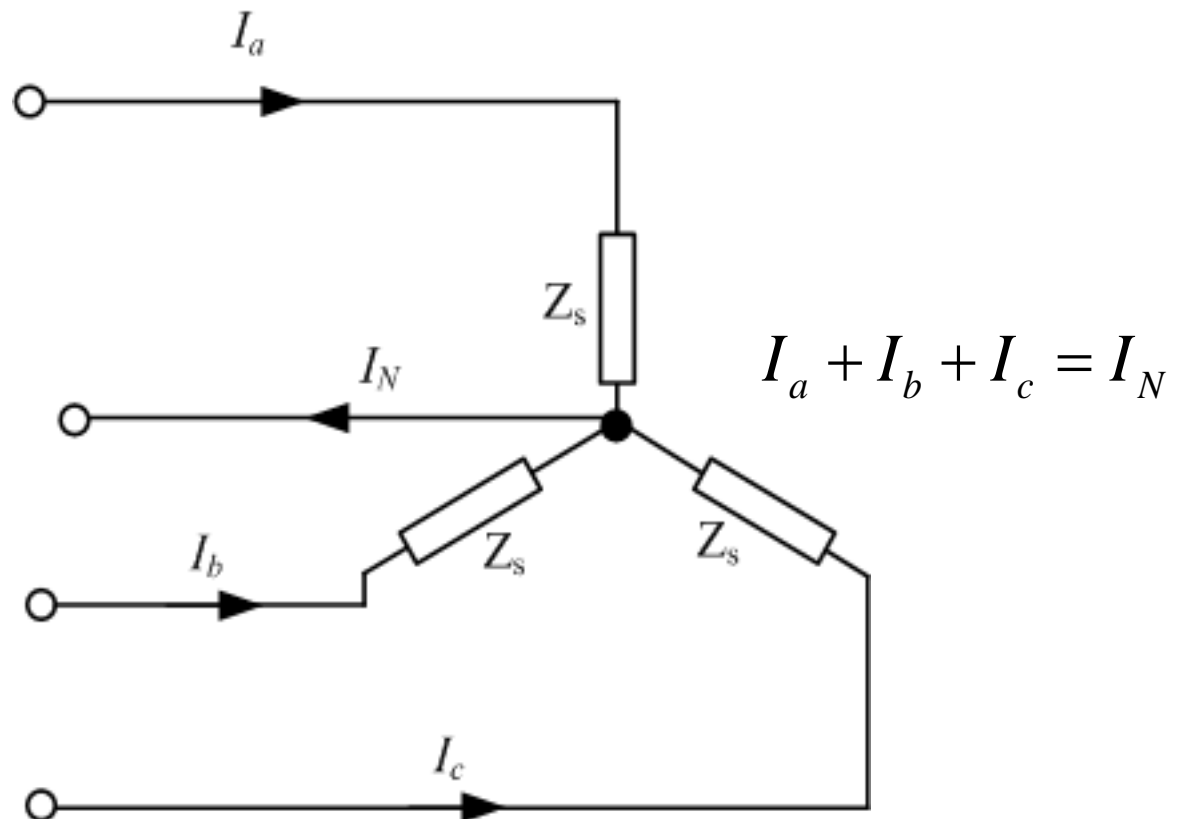
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- However, if there is a 4<sup>th</sup> wire (neutral wire), then any unbalance current can flow through the neutral return path



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- **Neutral current**  $I_a + I_b + I_c = I_N$

- **Analysis equations:**

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- Now, from the analysis equations we have the relation:

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- **Neutral current**  $I_a + I_b + I_c = I_N$
- Since from the analysis equations we have the relation:

$$I_{a0} = \frac{1}{3}(I_a + I_b + I_c)$$

- We get a very important relation in unsymmetrical systems

$$I_N = (I_a + I_b + I_c) = 3I_{a0}$$

- Thus, in this case:

$$I_N = 3I_{a0} = 3 \times 27.26 \angle 4.69^\circ = 81.8 \angle 4.69^\circ \text{ A}$$

# Example #2

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**The sequence voltages in red phase of a 3-phase unbalanced system are as follows:**

$$V_{R0} = 100 \text{ V} , V_{R1} = (200 - j100) \text{ V} , V_{R2} = -100 \text{ V}$$

**Find the phase voltages  $V_R$  ,  $V_Y$  , and  $V_B$  .**

Given:

$$V_{R0} = (100 + j0) = 100 \angle 0^\circ \text{ V}$$

$$V_{R1} = (200 - j100) = 223.6 \angle -26.57^\circ \text{ V}$$

$$V_{R2} = (-100 + j0) = 100 \angle 180^\circ \text{ V}$$

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From the synthesis equations we have:

$$\begin{bmatrix} V_R \\ V_Y \\ V_B \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & \alpha^2 & \alpha \\ 1 & \alpha & \alpha^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} V_{R0} \\ V_{R1} \\ V_{R2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} V_R &= V_{R0} + V_{R1} + V_{R2} \\ &= (100 + j0) + (200 - j100) + (-100 + j0) \\ &= (200 - j100) \\ &= 223.6 \angle -26.57^\circ \text{ V} \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} V_Y &= V_{R0} + \alpha^2 V_{R1} + \alpha V_{R2} \\ &= 100 \angle 0^\circ + 1 \angle 240^\circ \times 223.6 \angle -26.57^\circ + 1 \angle 120^\circ \times 100 \angle 180^\circ \\ &= 100 \angle 0^\circ + 223.6 \angle 213.43^\circ + 100 \angle 300^\circ \\ &= (100 + j0) + (-186.6 - j123.2) + (50 - j86.6) \\ &= -36.6 - j209.8 \\ &= 212.97 \angle 99.9^\circ \text{ V} \end{aligned}$$

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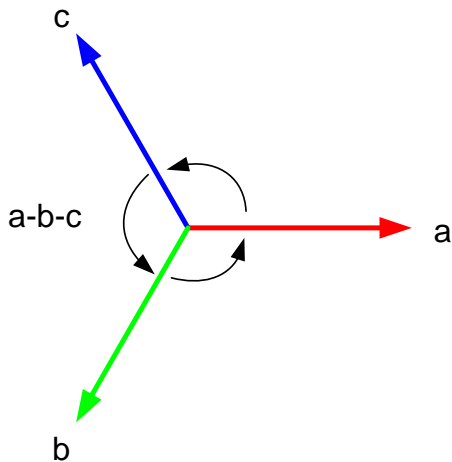
$$\begin{aligned} V_B &= V_{R0} + \alpha V_{R1} + \alpha^2 V_{R2} \\ &= 100 \angle 0^\circ + 1 \angle 120^\circ \times 223.6 \angle -26.57^\circ + 1 \angle 240^\circ \times 100 \angle 180^\circ \\ &= 100 \angle 0^\circ + 223.6 \angle 93.43^\circ + 100 \angle 420^\circ \\ &= (100 + j0) + (-13.38 + j223.2) + (50 + j86.6) \\ &= 136.62 + j309.8 \\ &= 339.6 \angle 66.2^\circ \text{ V} \end{aligned}$$

# Example #3

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**Show that a 3-phase balanced signal contain only the positive sequence components.**

- In a balanced three-phase system with phase sequence a-b-c, the voltages are given as:



$$V_a = V \angle 0^\circ$$

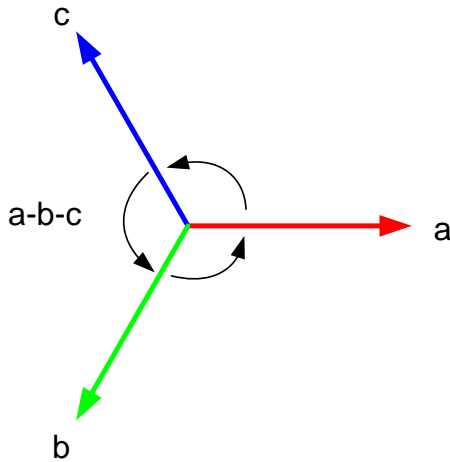
$$V_b = V \angle 240^\circ = \alpha^2 V_a$$

$$V_c = V \angle 120^\circ = \alpha V_a$$



# Show that a 3-phase balanced signal contain only the positive sequence components

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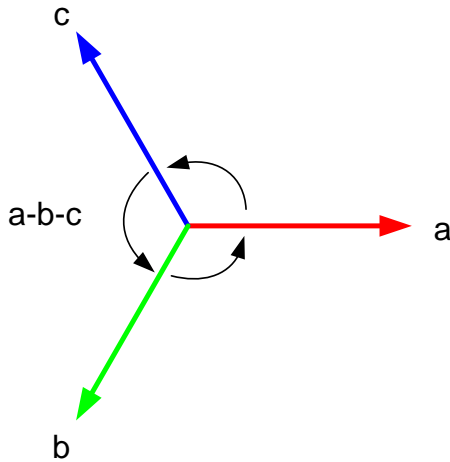
$$V_b = \alpha^2 V_a$$

$$V_c = \alpha V_a$$

$$\begin{aligned} V_{a0} &= \frac{1}{3}(V_a + V_b + V_c) \\ &= \frac{1}{3}(V_a + \alpha^2 V_a + \alpha V_a) \\ &= \frac{1}{3}[V_a(1 + \alpha + \alpha^2)] \\ &= \frac{1}{3}[V_a(0)] \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

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$$V_a = V \angle 0^\circ$$

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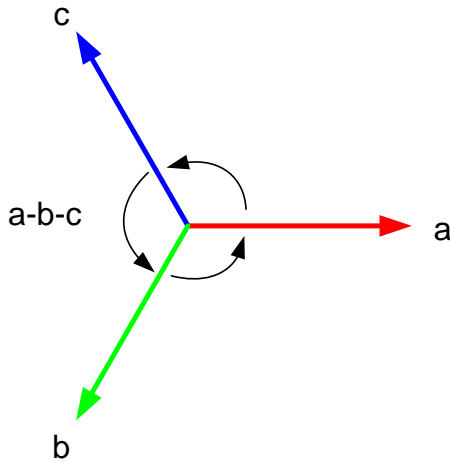
$$V_c = \alpha V_a$$

$$\begin{aligned} V_{a2} &= \frac{1}{3} (V_a + \alpha^2 V_b + \alpha V_c) \\ &= \frac{1}{3} (V_a + \alpha^2 (\alpha^2 V_a) + \alpha (\alpha V_a)) \\ &= (V_a + \alpha^4 V_a + \alpha^2 V_a) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= (V_a + \alpha V_b + \alpha^2 V_c) \\ &= \frac{1}{3} [V_a (1 + \alpha + \alpha^2)] \\ &= \frac{1}{3} [V_a (0)] \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

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$$V_a = V \angle 0^\circ$$

$$V_b = \alpha^2 V_a$$

$$V_c = \alpha V_a$$

$$\begin{aligned} V_{a1} &= \frac{1}{3} (V_a + \alpha V_b + \alpha^2 V_c) \\ &= \frac{1}{3} (V_a + \alpha(\alpha^2 V_a) + \alpha^2(\alpha V_a)) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= (V_a + \alpha^3 V_b + \alpha^3 V_c) \\ &= \frac{1}{3} [V_a + V_a + V_a] \\ &= \frac{1}{3} [3] \\ &= V_a \end{aligned}$$