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Measurement of Power and Power factor using Two Wattmeter Method

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- Wattmeter is a power measuring instrument.
- It consists of a fixed coil called ‘Current Coil (CC)’ and a moving coil called ‘Pressure Coil’ (PC). Pressure coil is also called ‘Voltage coil’ (VC).

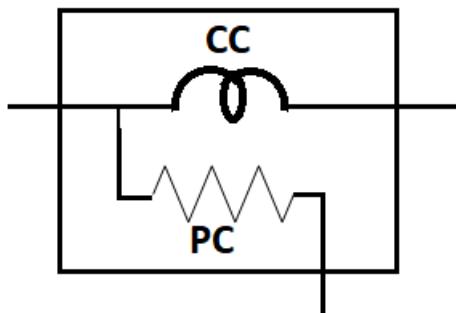


Fig: Wattmeter symbol

- PC carries the pointer of the instrument and indicates the average power.

Two Wattmeter Method

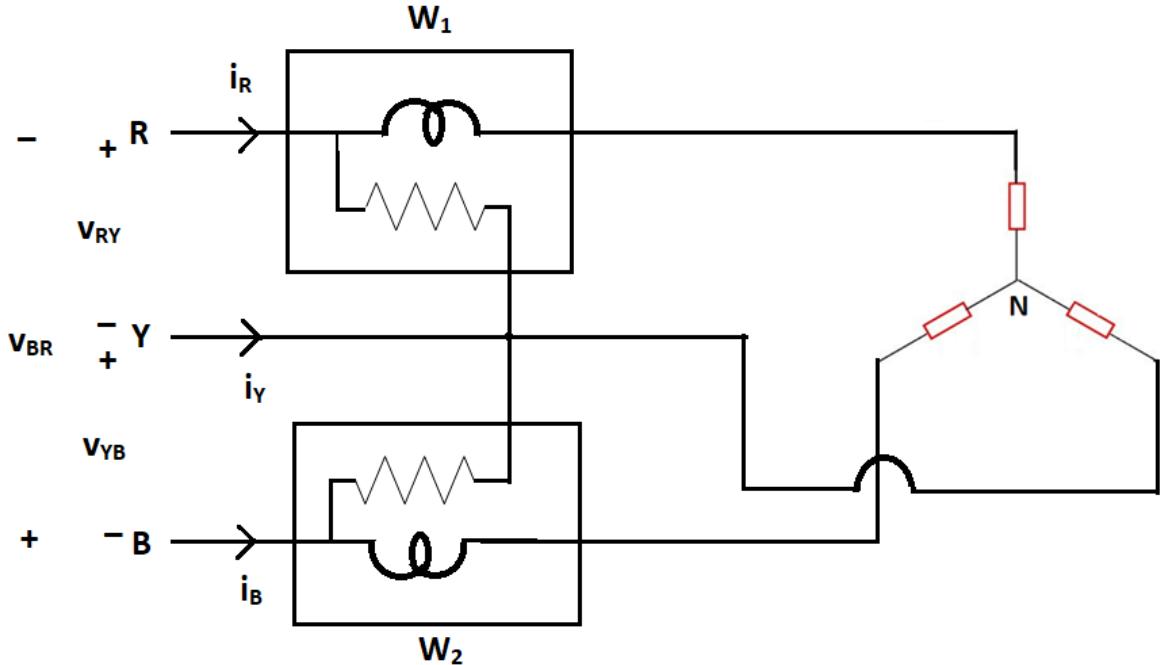
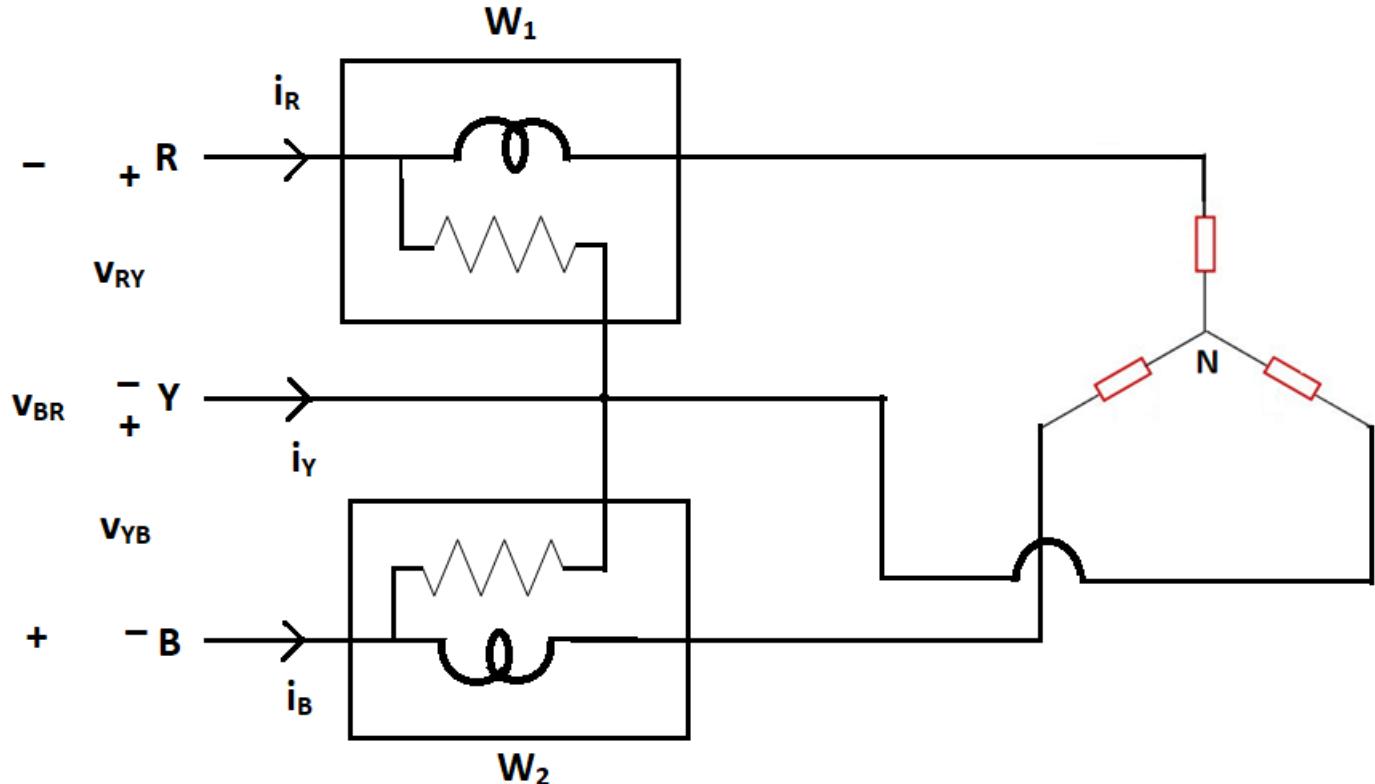


Fig: Two Wattmeter Method circuit diagram

Two wattmeters are sufficient to measure three phase active power irrespective of whether the load is star connected or delta connected and irrespective of whether the load is balanced or unbalanced.

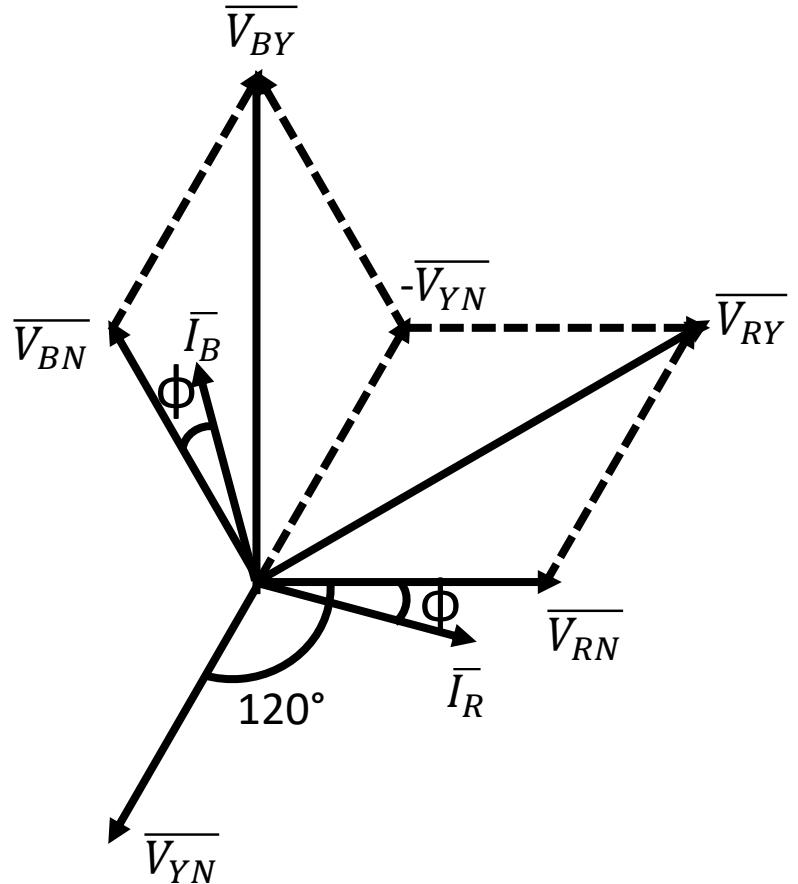
Two Wattmeter Method (contd..)



$$W_1 = V_{RY} * I_R * \cos(\angle(V_{RY}, I_R))$$

$$W_2 = V_{BY} * I_B * \cos(\angle(V_{BY}, I_B))$$

Two Wattmeter Method – Phasor Diagram



$$\overline{V_{RY}} = \overline{V_{RN}} - \overline{V_{YN}}$$

$$\overline{V_{BY}} = \overline{V_{BN}} - \overline{V_{YN}}$$

Consider inductive load. Then, phase current lags phase voltage.

$$W_1 = V_{RY} * I_R * \cos(30 + \phi) \quad & \quad W_2 = V_{BY} * I_B * \cos(30 - \phi)$$

Two Wattmeter Method – calculations

$$W_1 = V_{RY} * I_R * \cos(30 + \phi) \quad & \quad W_2 = V_{BY} * I_B * \cos(30 - \phi)$$

$$W_1 = V_L * I_L * \cos(30 + \phi) \quad & \quad W_2 = V_L * I_L * \cos(30 - \phi)$$

Therefore, $W_1 + W_2 = \sqrt{3} * V_L * I_L * \cos\phi = P_{3\text{-phase}}$ --- (1)

Similarly, $\sqrt{3} * (W_2 - W_1) = \sqrt{3} * V_L * I_L * \sin\phi = Q_{3\text{-phase}}$ --- (2)

$$\frac{(2)}{(1)} \rightarrow \frac{Q_{3\text{-phase}}}{P_{3\text{-phase}}} = \frac{\sqrt{3} * (W_2 - W_1)}{W_1 + W_2} = \tan\phi$$

Hence, power factor of the system is,

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

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