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Power Factor Correction

Concept , Advantage and Practical Cases

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# Power Factor Correction

## Concept, Advantage and Practical Cases

### Session Outlines :

1. Three phase power equations (P – Q – S).
2. Power Triangle .
3. Power factor equation.
4. How capacitors are used to improve the power factor .
5. How power factor correction decreases generators and transformers loading.
6. Reactive power flow through a grid.
7. How power factor correction decreases grid total losses.
8. How low power factor penalty is calculated according Sudan utility (SEDC).
9. How the automatic power factor correction controller operates.
10. How to choose the best location to add capacitors in a grid.
11. How to use Etap software to simulate power factor correction cases.

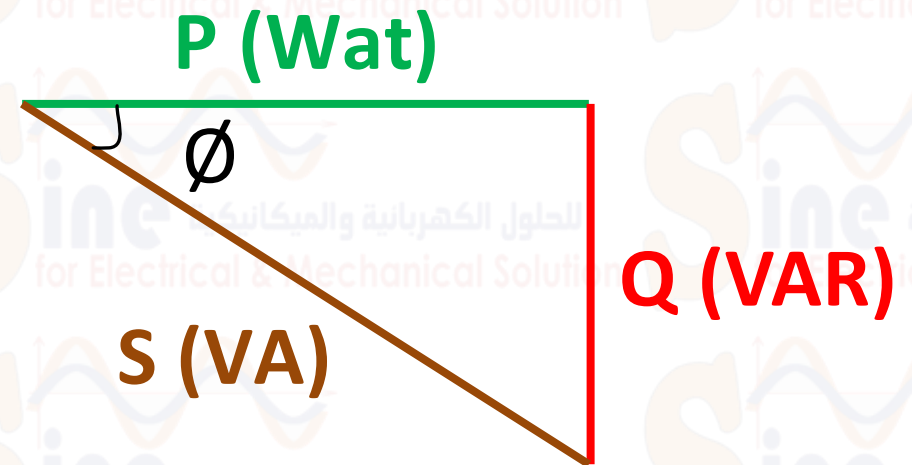
## Electrical Power Triangle

\* Below is the famous three phase electrical power equations which forms what is called the power triangle.

$$P = \sqrt{3} * V_L * I_L * \cos \phi \quad (\text{Wat})$$

$$Q = \sqrt{3} * V_L * I_L * \sin \phi \quad (\text{VAR})$$

$$S = \sqrt{3} * V_L * I_L \quad (\text{VA})$$



P = Active Power (القدرة الفعالة)

Q = Reactive Power (القدرة الرد فعلية)

S = Apparent Power (القدرة الظاهرية)

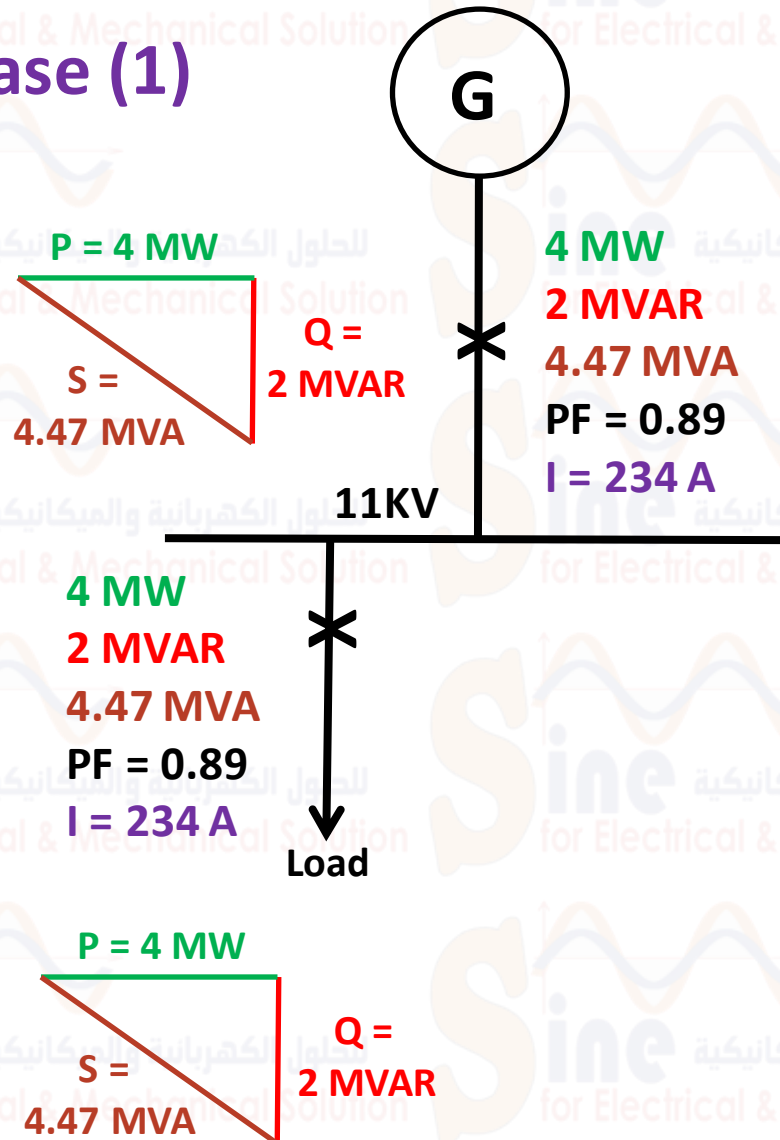
$$S = \sqrt{P^2 + Q^2}$$

$$\text{P.F} = P/S$$

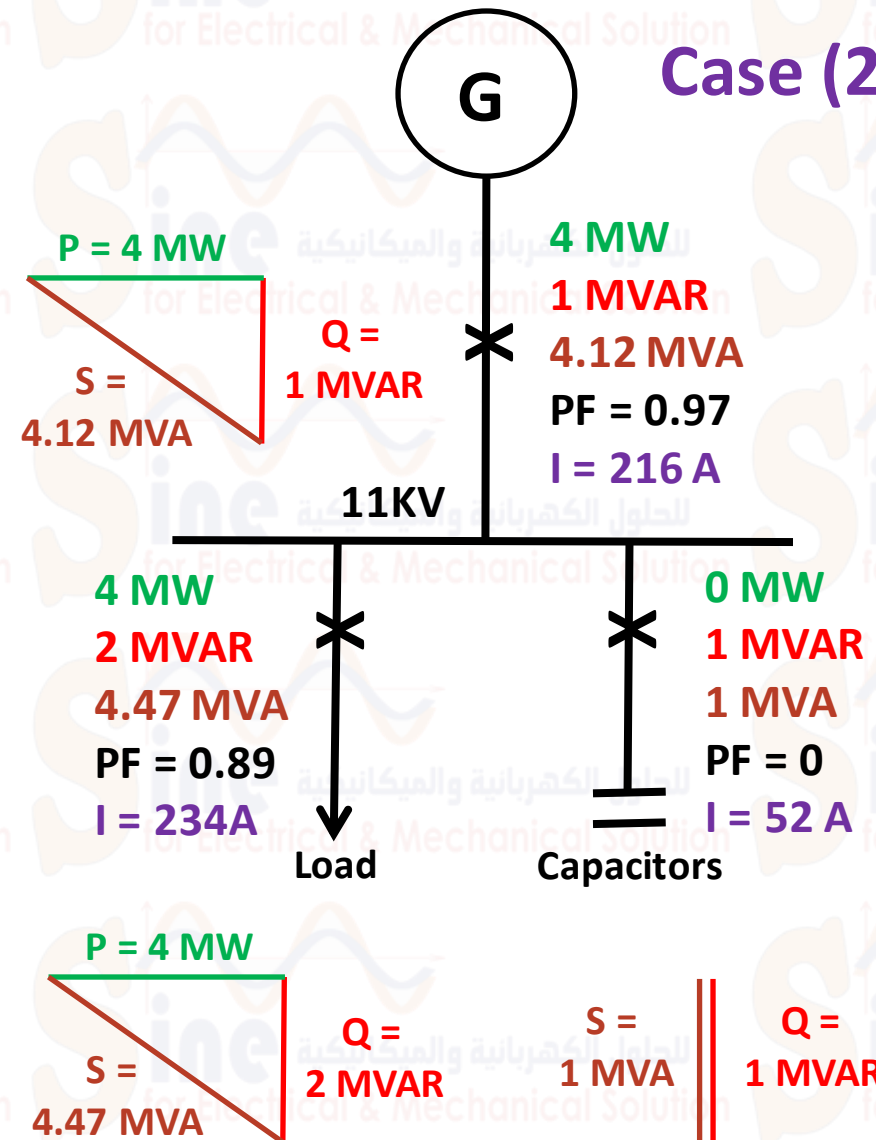
$$\text{P.F} = \cos \phi$$

# The Effect Of Adding Capacitors

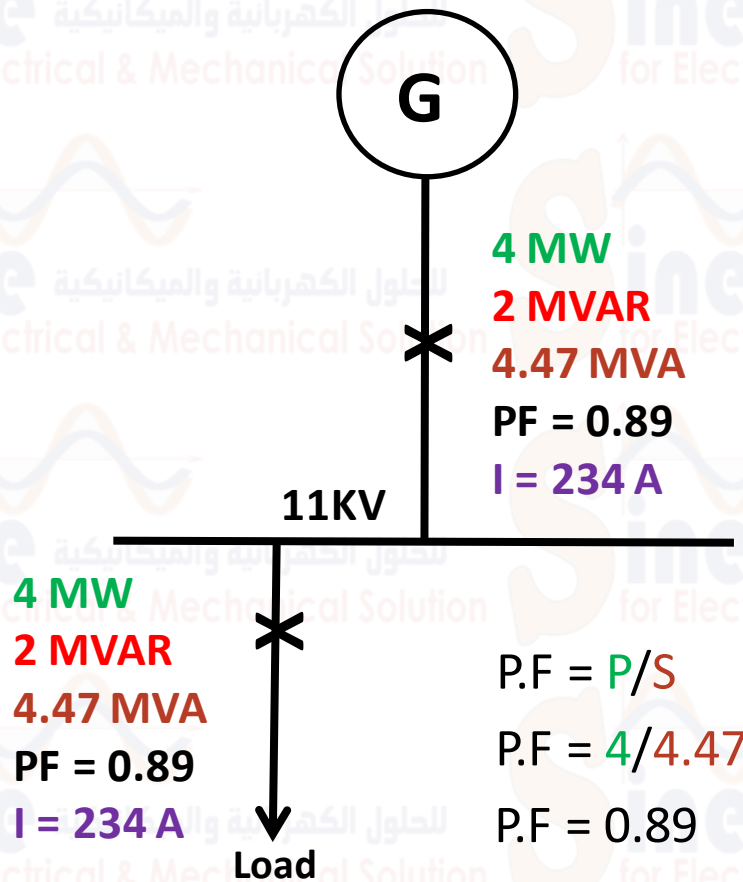
## Case (1)



## Case (2)



# Current And Power Factor Calculations



$$P.F = P/S$$

$$P.F = 4/4.47$$

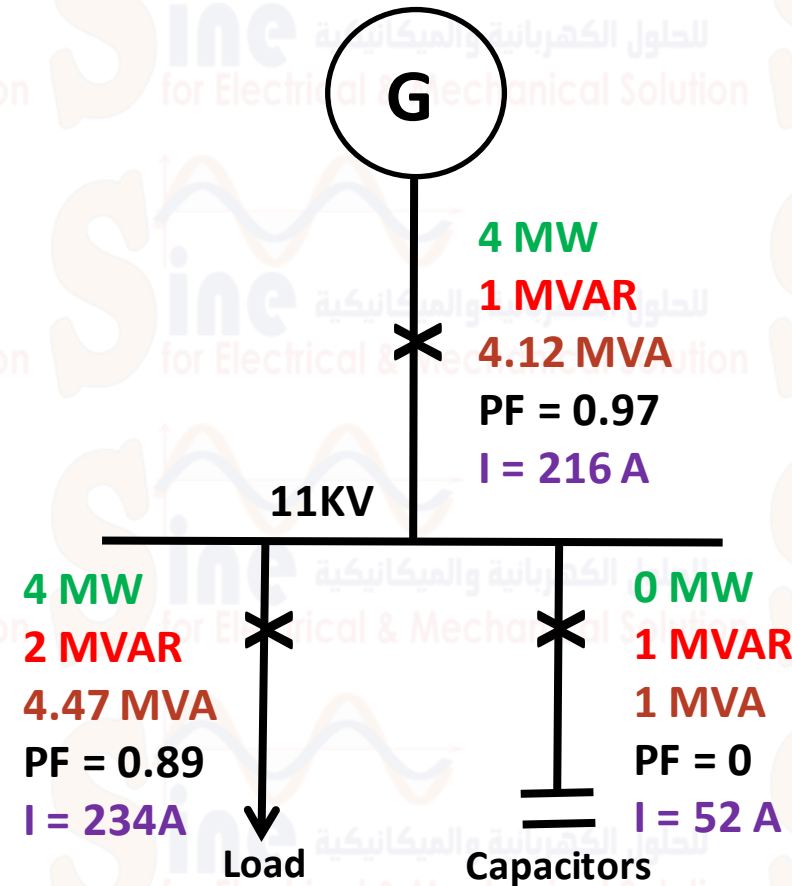
$$P.F = 0.89$$

$$S = \sqrt{3} \cdot V_L \cdot I_L$$

$$I_L = S / \sqrt{3} \cdot V_L$$

$$I_L = 4.47 \cdot 10^6 / \sqrt{3} \cdot 11 \cdot 10^3$$

$$I_L = 234 \text{ A}$$



$$Q = \sqrt{3} \cdot V_L \cdot I_L \cdot \sin \phi$$

$$I_L = Q / \sqrt{3} \cdot V_L \cdot \sin \phi$$

$$I_L = 1 \cdot 10^6 / \sqrt{3} \cdot 11 \cdot 10^3 \cdot \sin 100$$

$$I_L = 52 \text{ A}$$

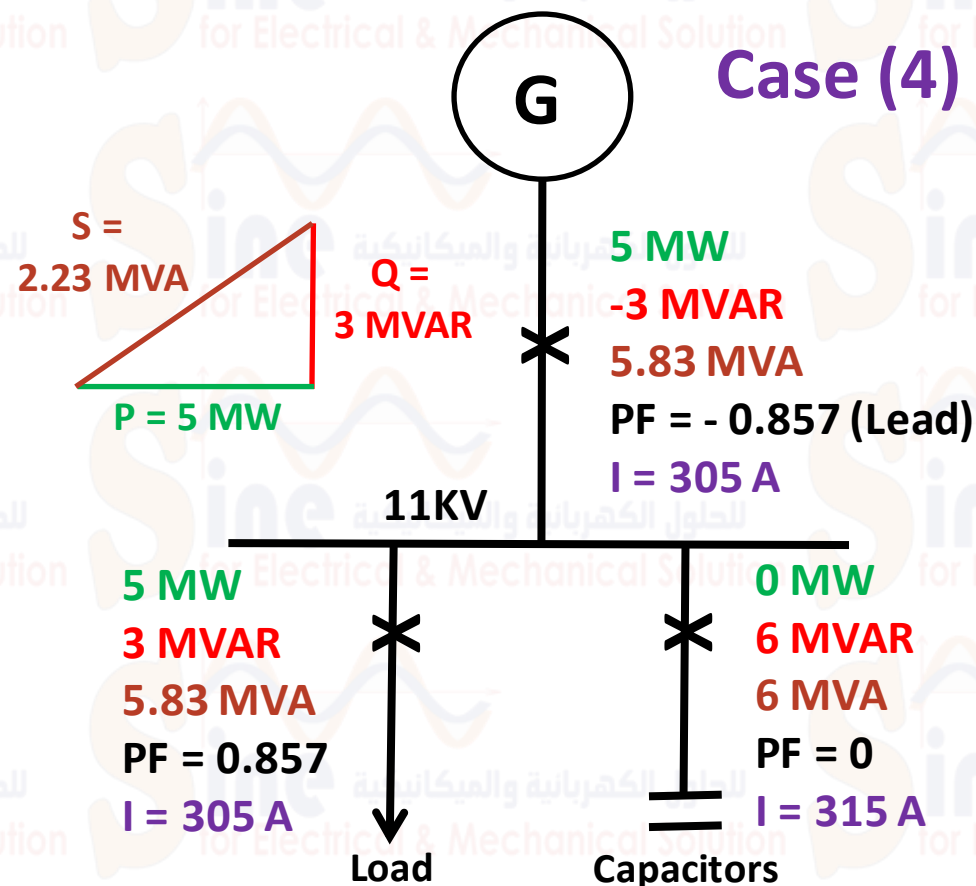
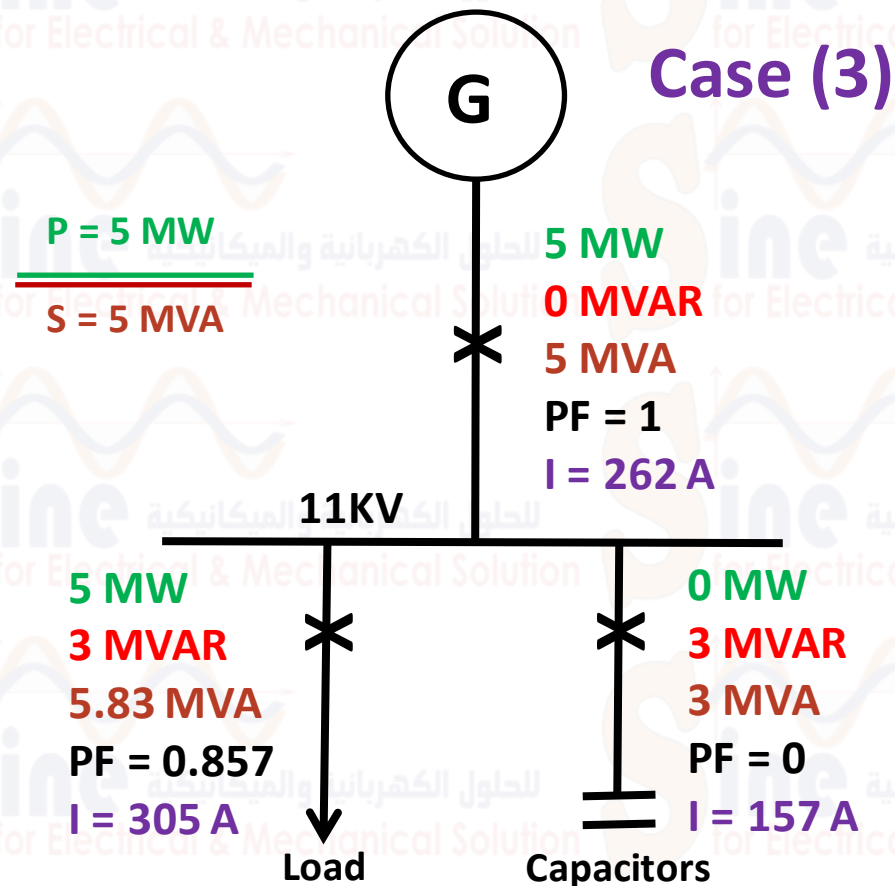
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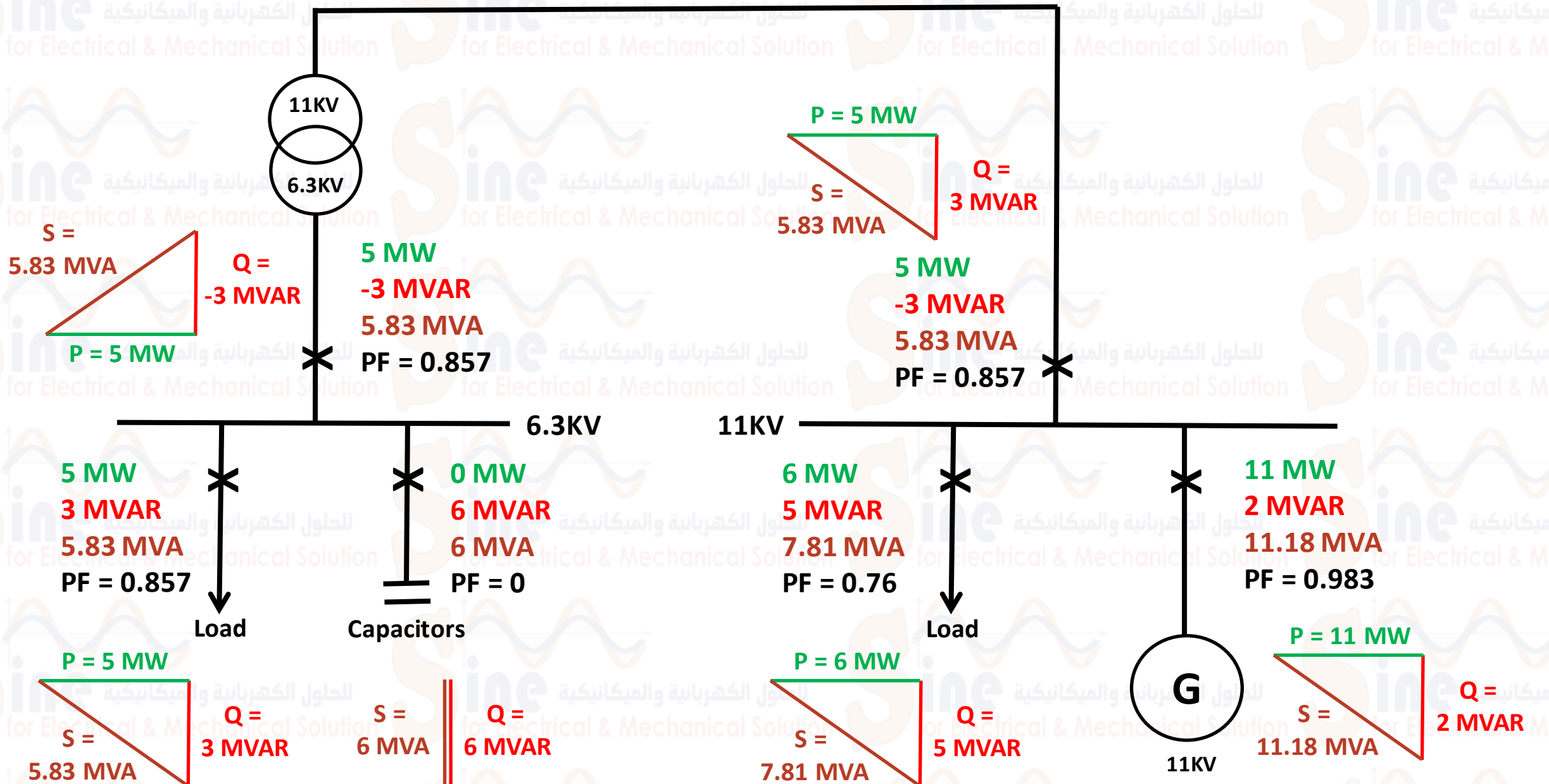
$$I_L = 52 \text{ A}$$

# The Effect Of Adding Capacitors More Than Load Requirement

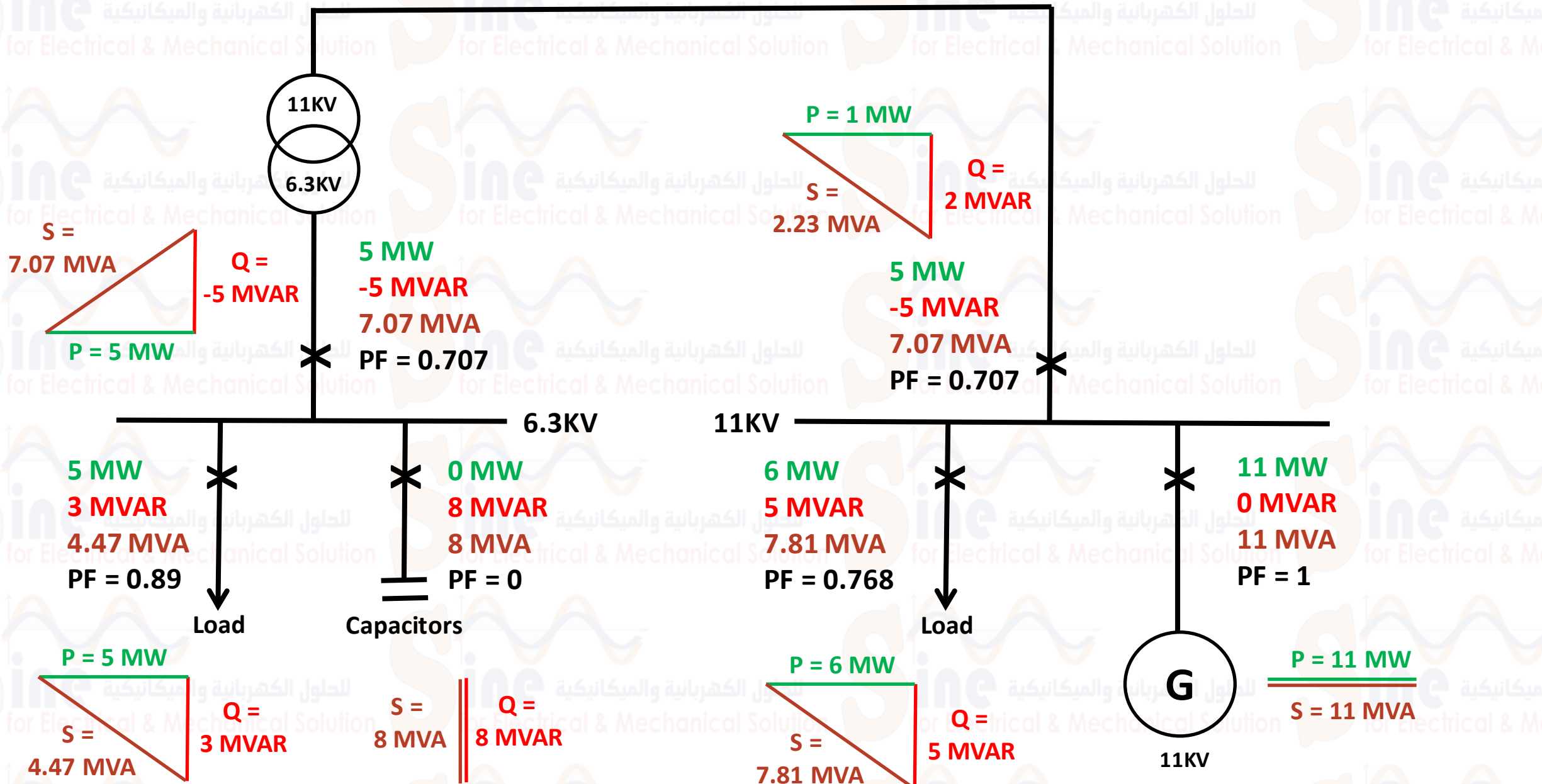




# Reactive Power Flow Through The Grid

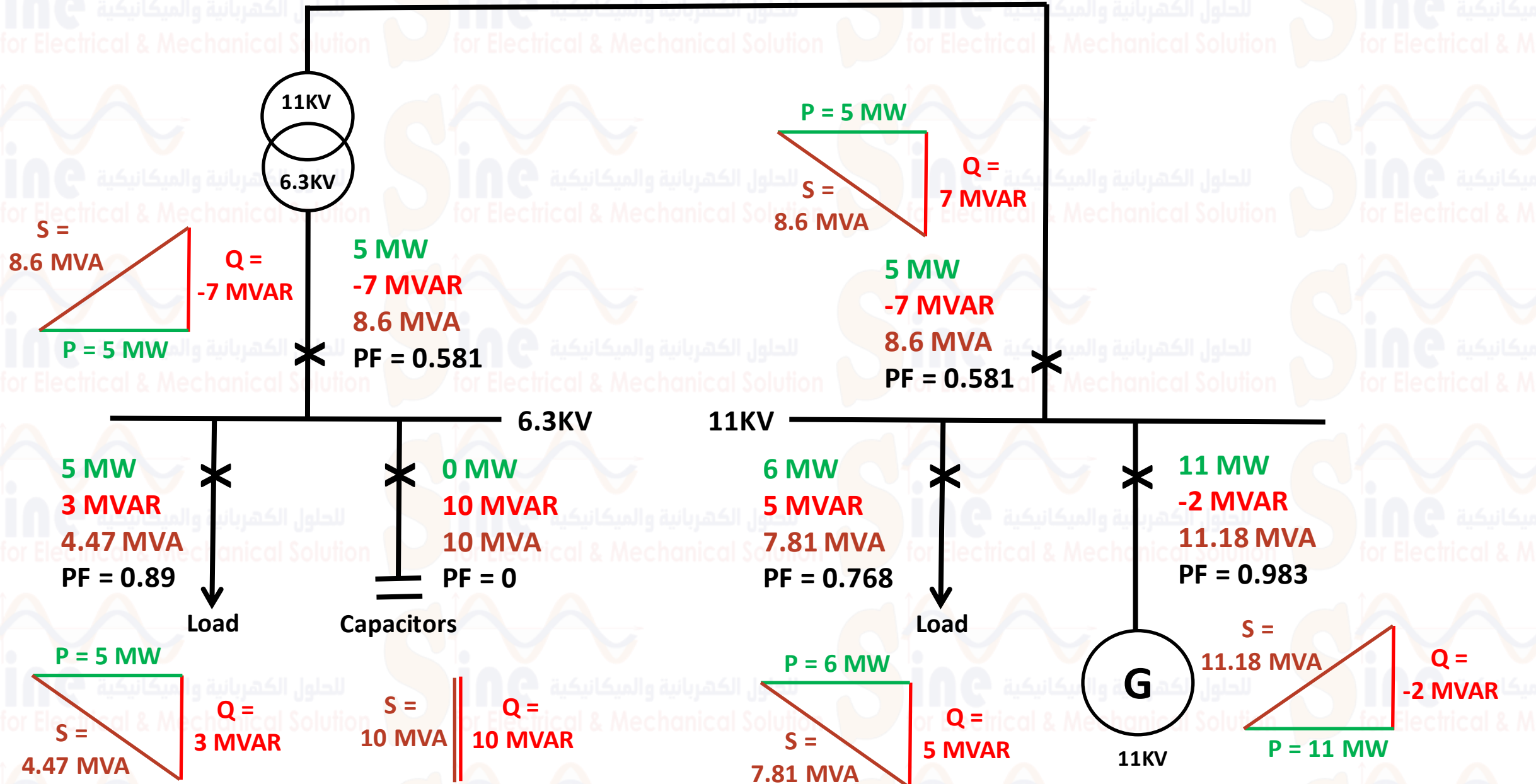


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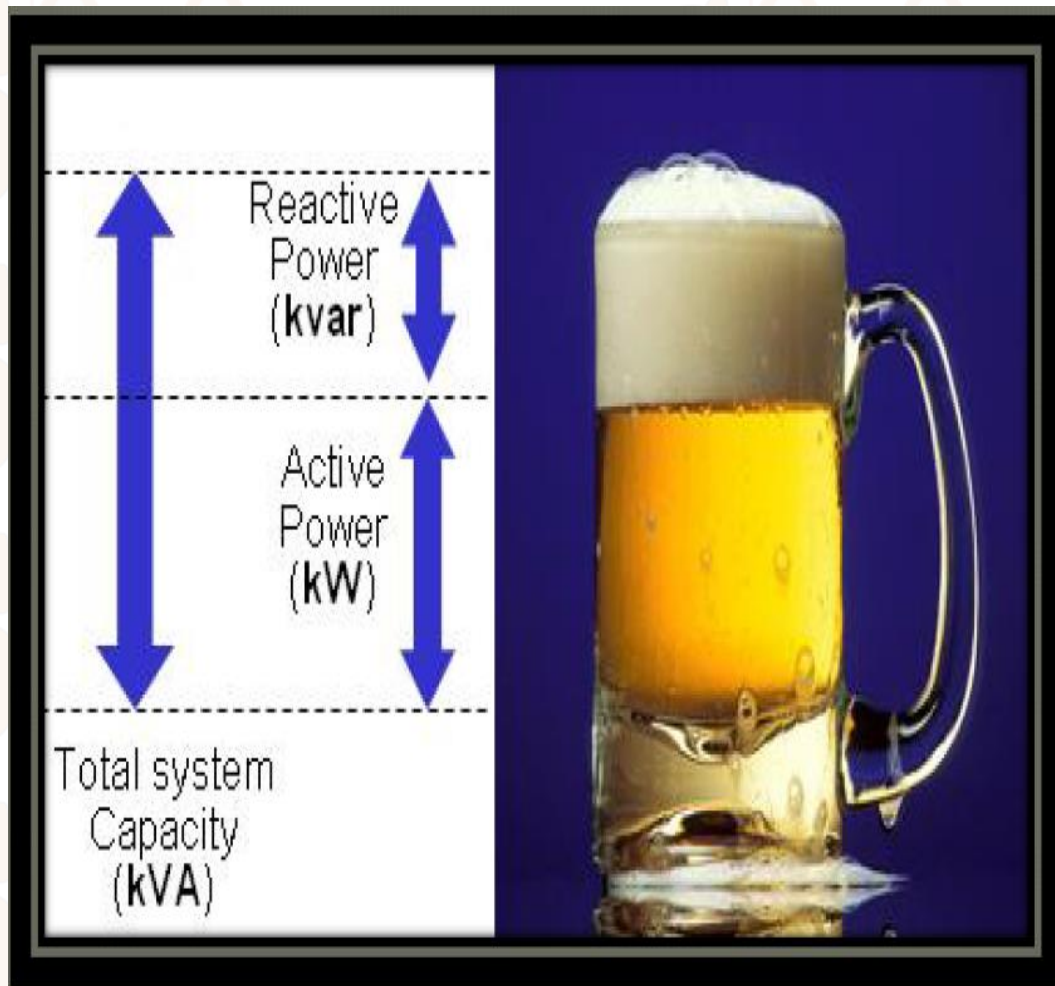




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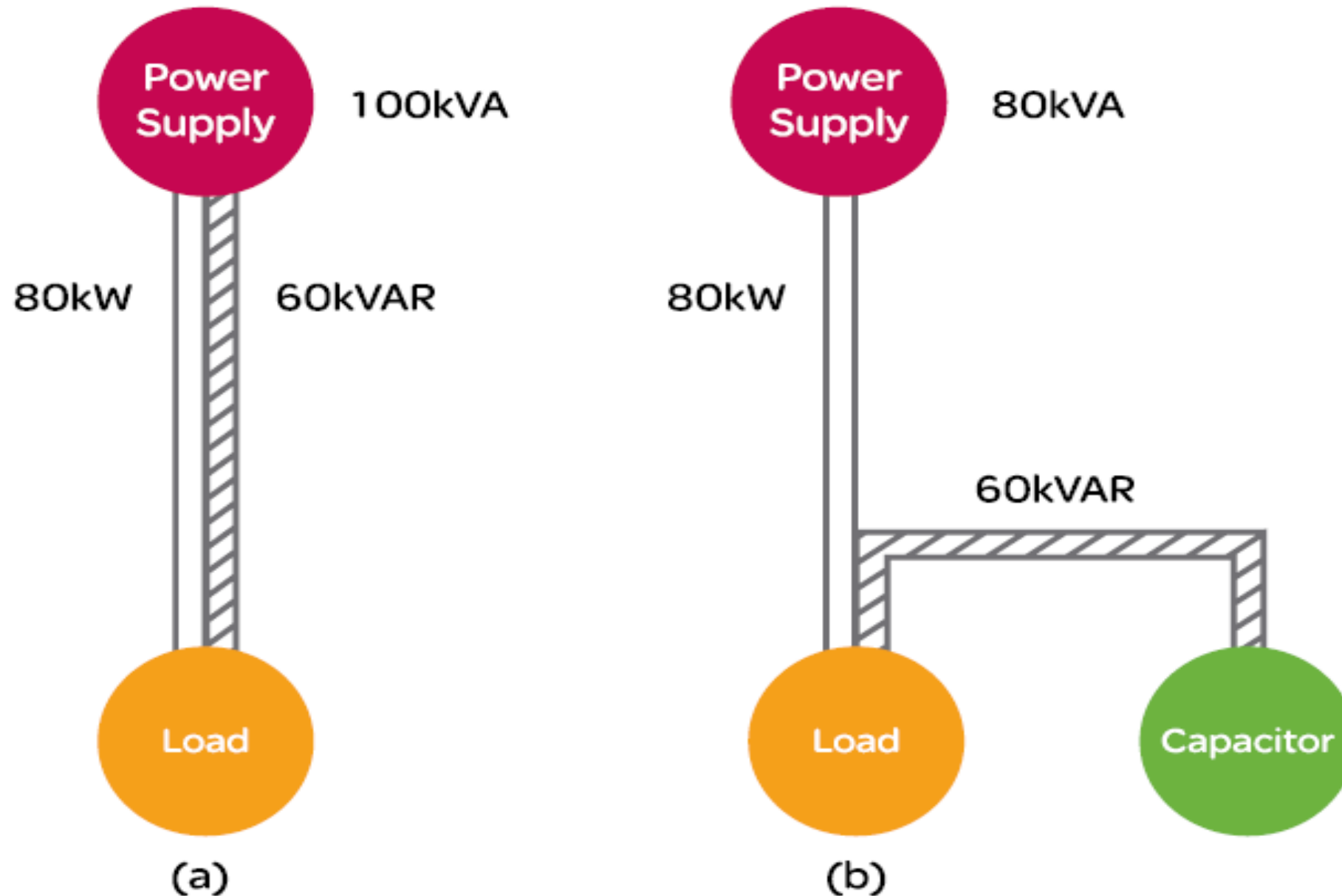


## Power Factor Correction

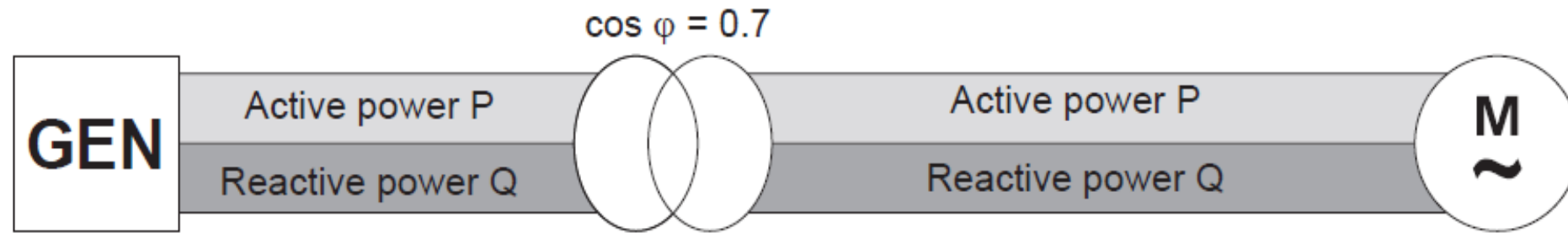


- We can simulate the reactive power by the foam in a cup of SHAMPION .
- The foam fill the upper part of the cup and if we want to empty the whole flask we need a cup larger than this cup .
- So the increase of KVAR increases the total system capacity KVA .

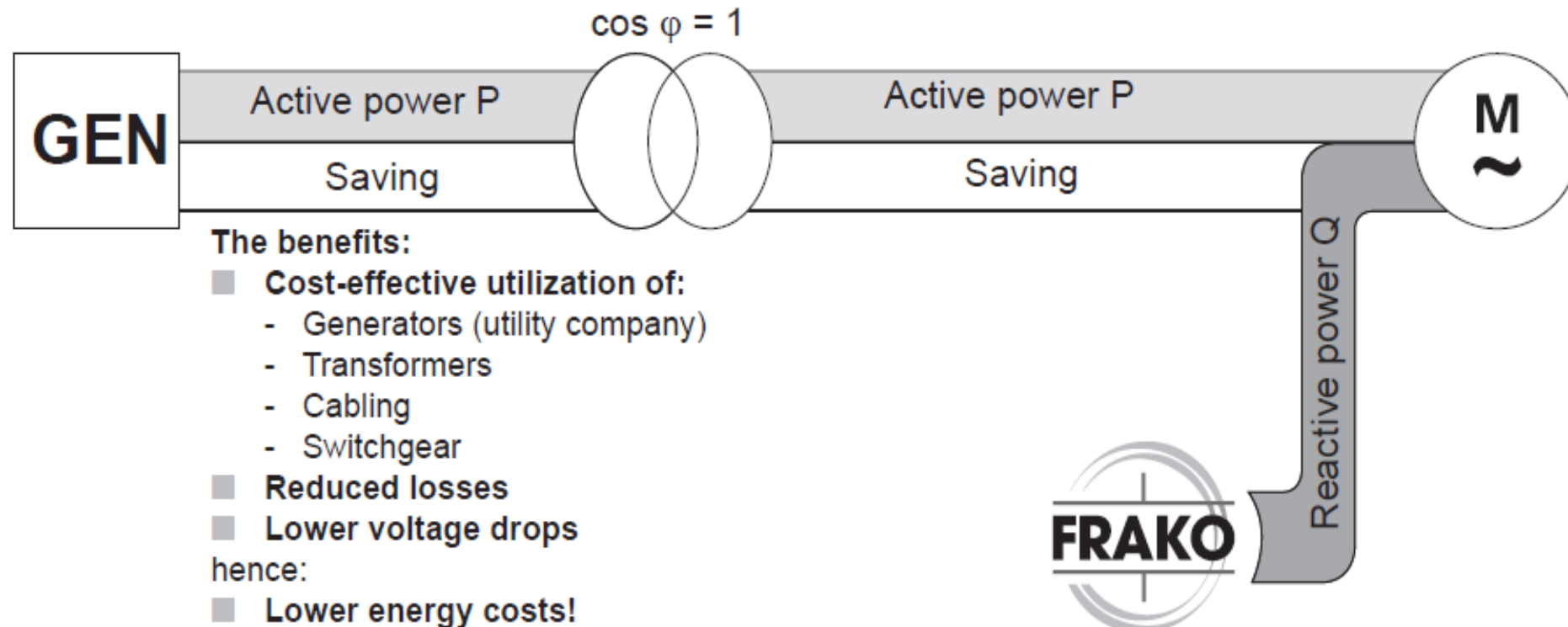
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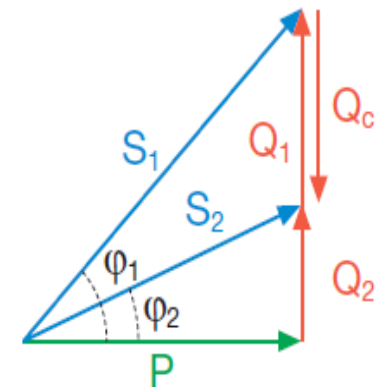
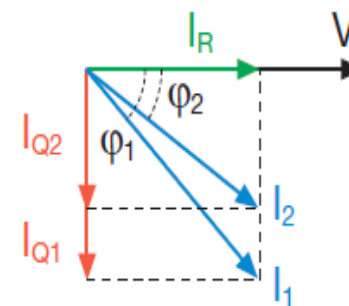
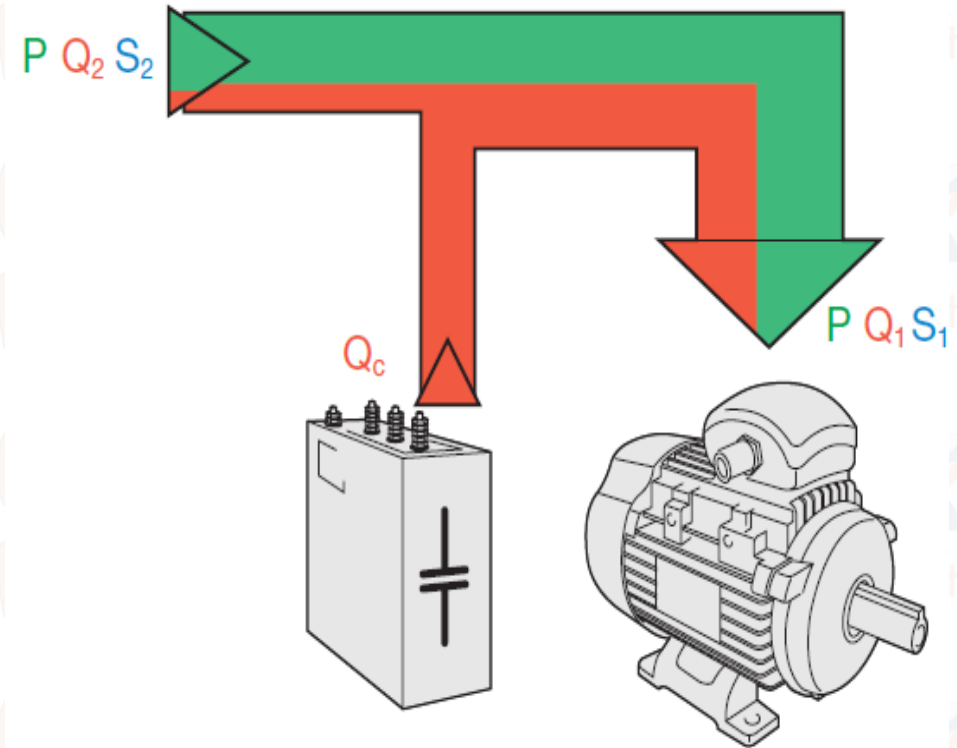
**Fig. 6** Active and reactive power in the power distribution system: without PFC



# Power Factor Correction

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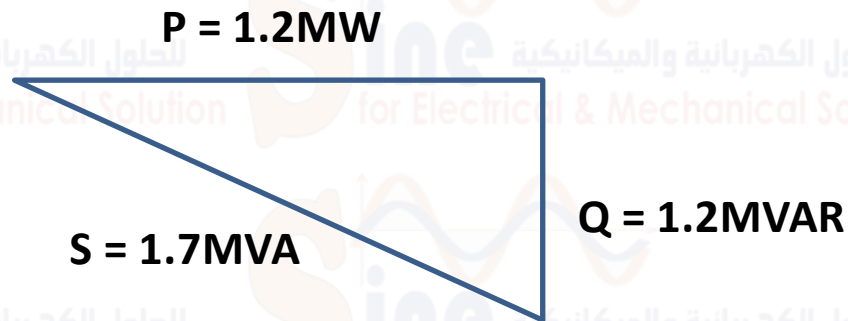
- $P$  is the active power;
- $Q_1, \phi_1$  are the reactive power and the phase displacement angle before power factor correction;
- $Q_2, \phi_2$  are the reactive power and the phase displacement angle after power factor correction;
- $Q_c$  is the reactive power for power factor correction.



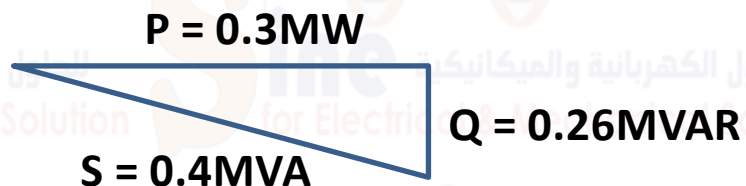
# Same PF With Different MVAR Value



$$\begin{aligned}\text{PF} &= P/S \\ &= 8\text{MW}/11.4\text{MVA} \\ &= 0.7\end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}\text{PF} &= P/S \\ &= 1.2\text{MW}/1.7\text{MVA} \\ &= 0.7\end{aligned}$$

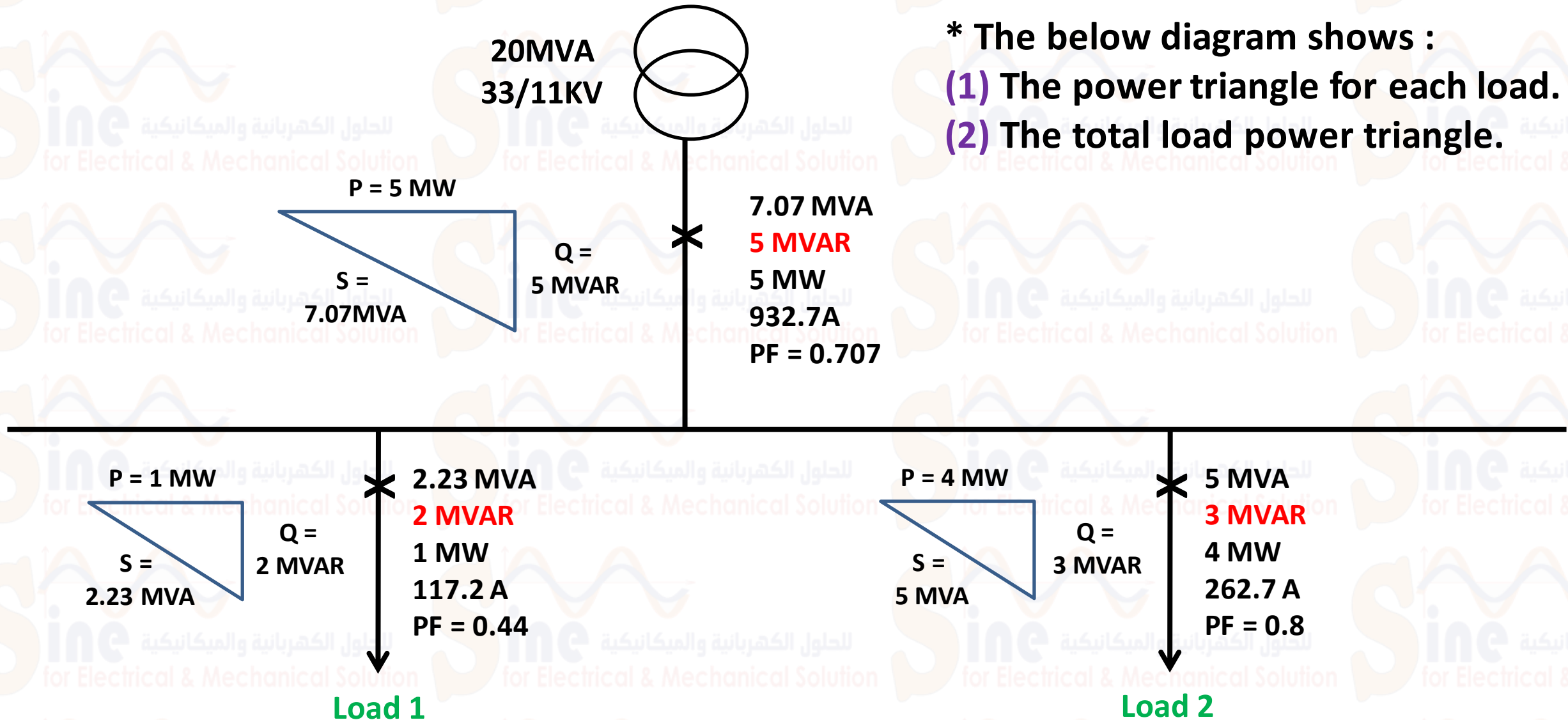


$$\begin{aligned}\text{PF} &= P/S \\ &= 0.3\text{MW}/0.4\text{MVA} \\ &= 0.7\end{aligned}$$



# Electrical Power Triangle

- \* The below diagram shows :
- (1) The power triangle for each load.
  - (2) The total load power triangle.



# Three Phase Power Summation

$$P_t = P_1 + P_2 + P_3$$

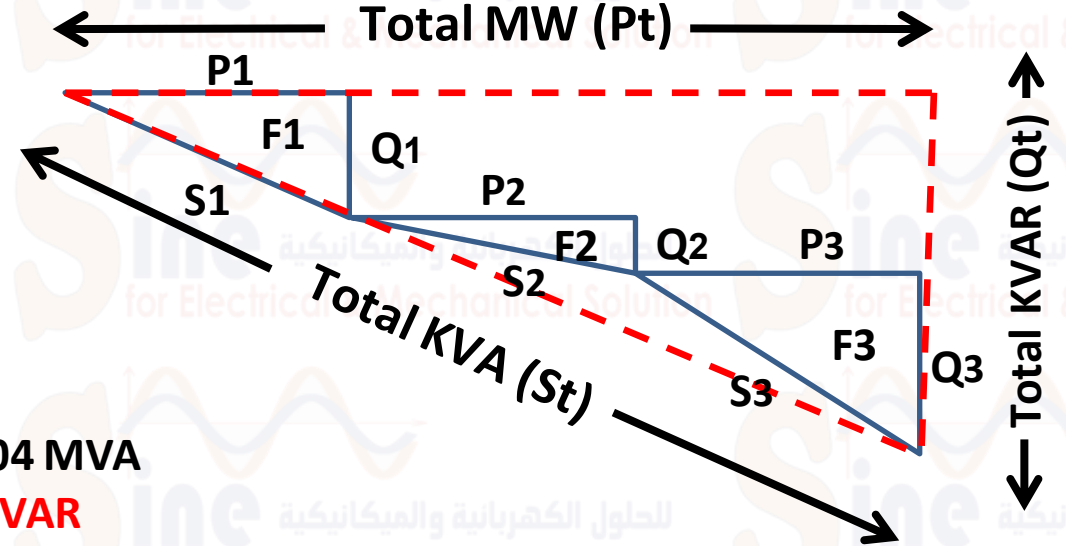
$$Q_t = Q_1 + Q_2 + Q_3$$

$$S_t \neq S_1 + S_2 + S_3$$

$$I_t \neq i_1 + i_2 + i_3$$

20MVA  
33/11KV

12.04 MVA  
**9 MVAR**  
8 MW  
932.7A  
PF = 0.66



0 MVA  
**0 MVAR**  
0 MW  
0 A

Capacitors

2.23 MVA  
**2 MVAR**  
1 MW  
117.2 A  
PF = 0.44

Load 1

5 MVA  
**4 MVAR**  
3 MW  
262.7 A  
PF = 0.6

Load 2

5 MVA  
**3 MVAR**  
4 MW  
262.7 A  
PF = 0.8

Load 3

## Medium Voltage Capacitor Bank (11KV)



**Capacitor Bank (1)**

**Capacitor Bank (2)**

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# Power Factor Correction



# 4500KVAR/11KV Capacitor Bank



Fuses

Contactor

Capacitors  
Cells

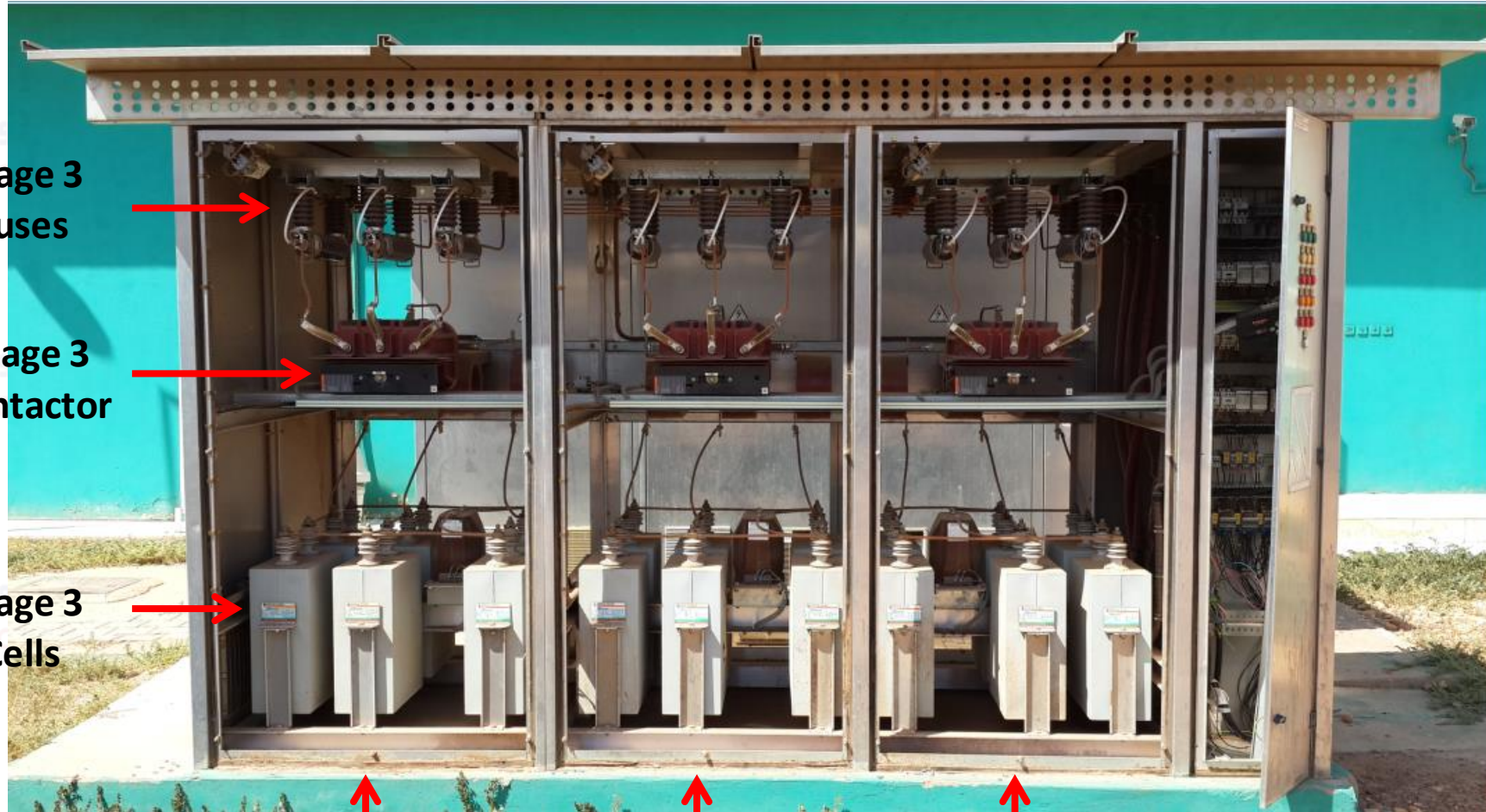
Stage 3

Stage 2

Stage 1



# 4500KVAR/11KV Capacitor Bank



Stage 3  
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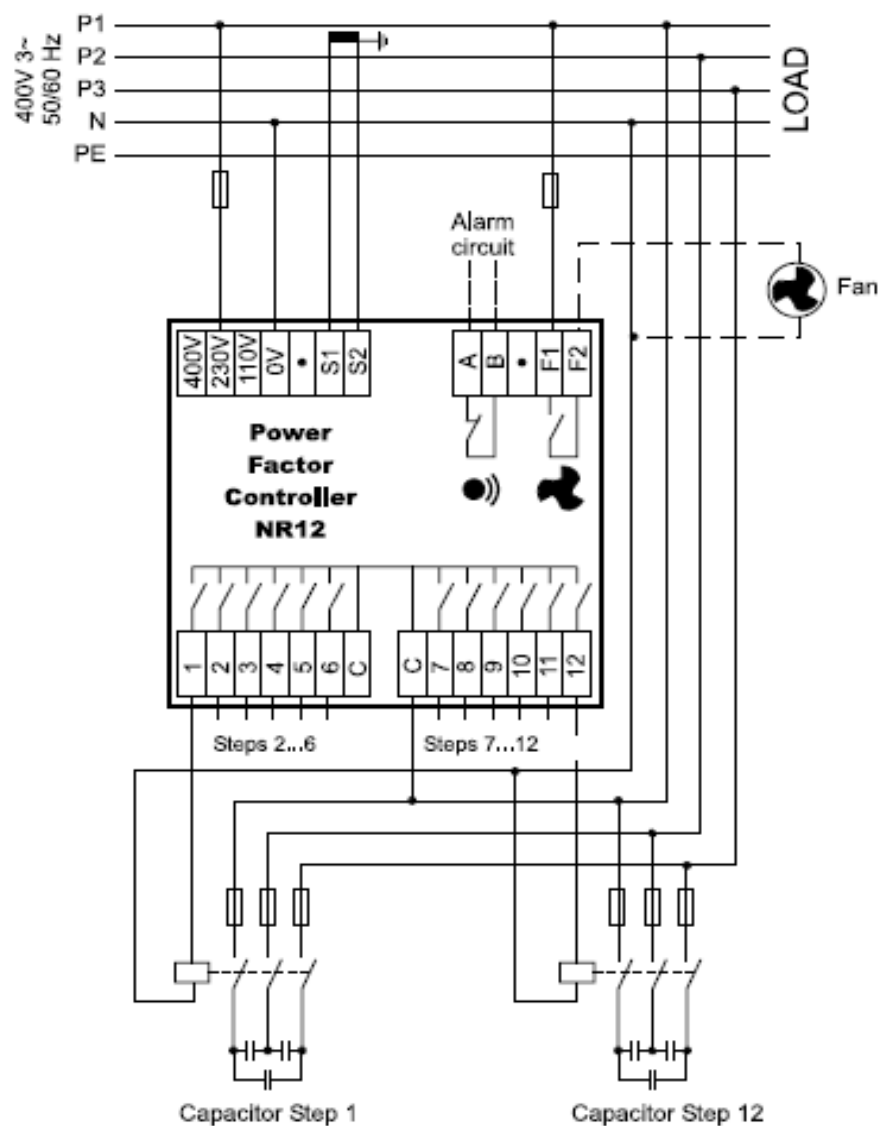


### 3-phase supply

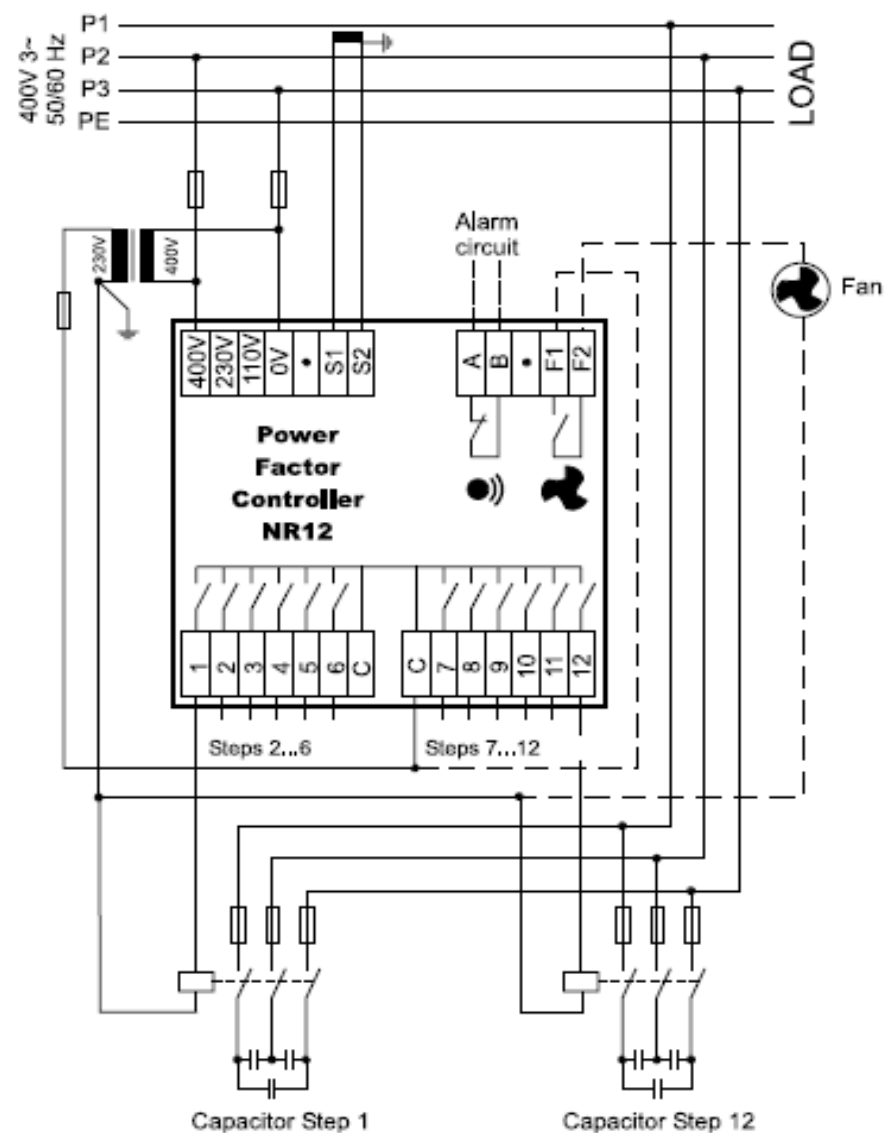


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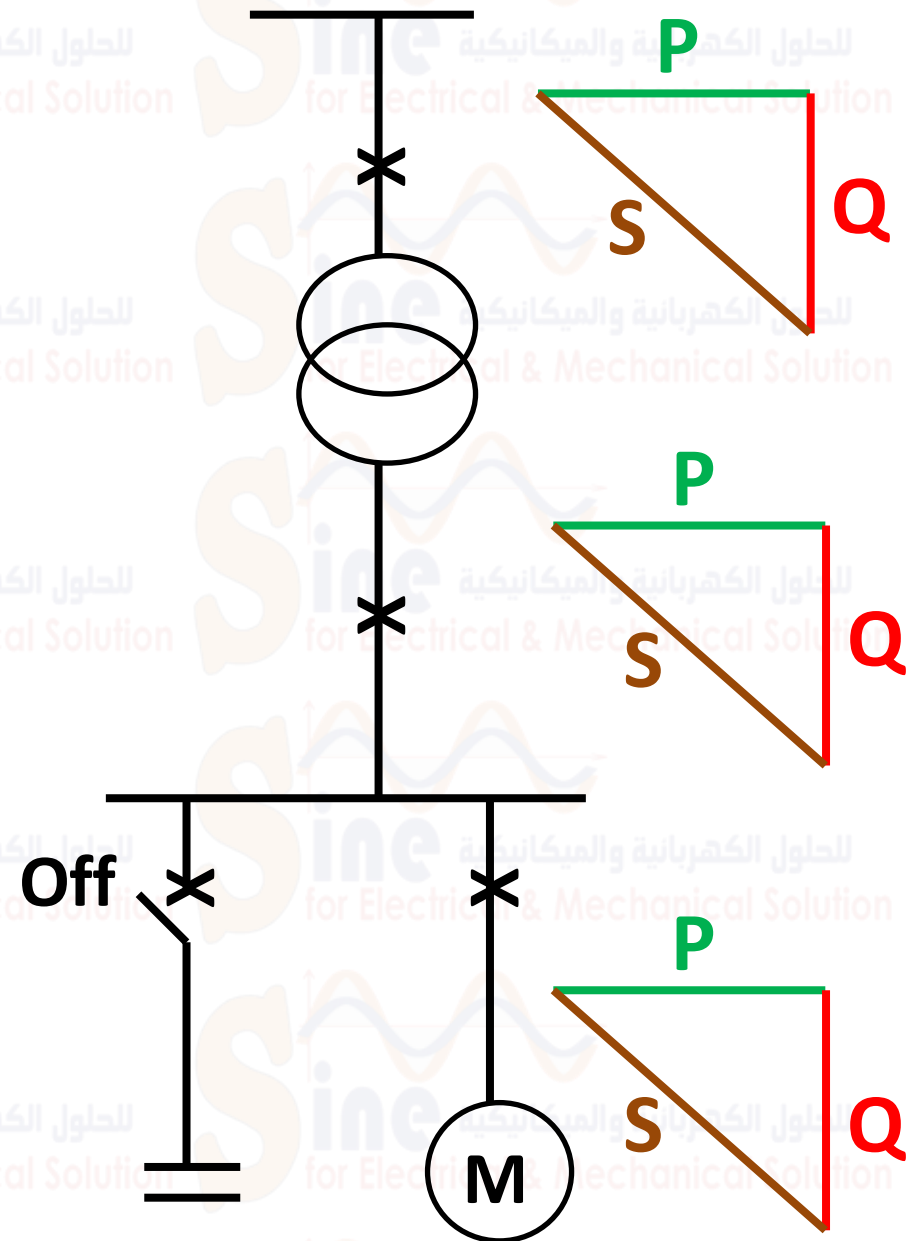
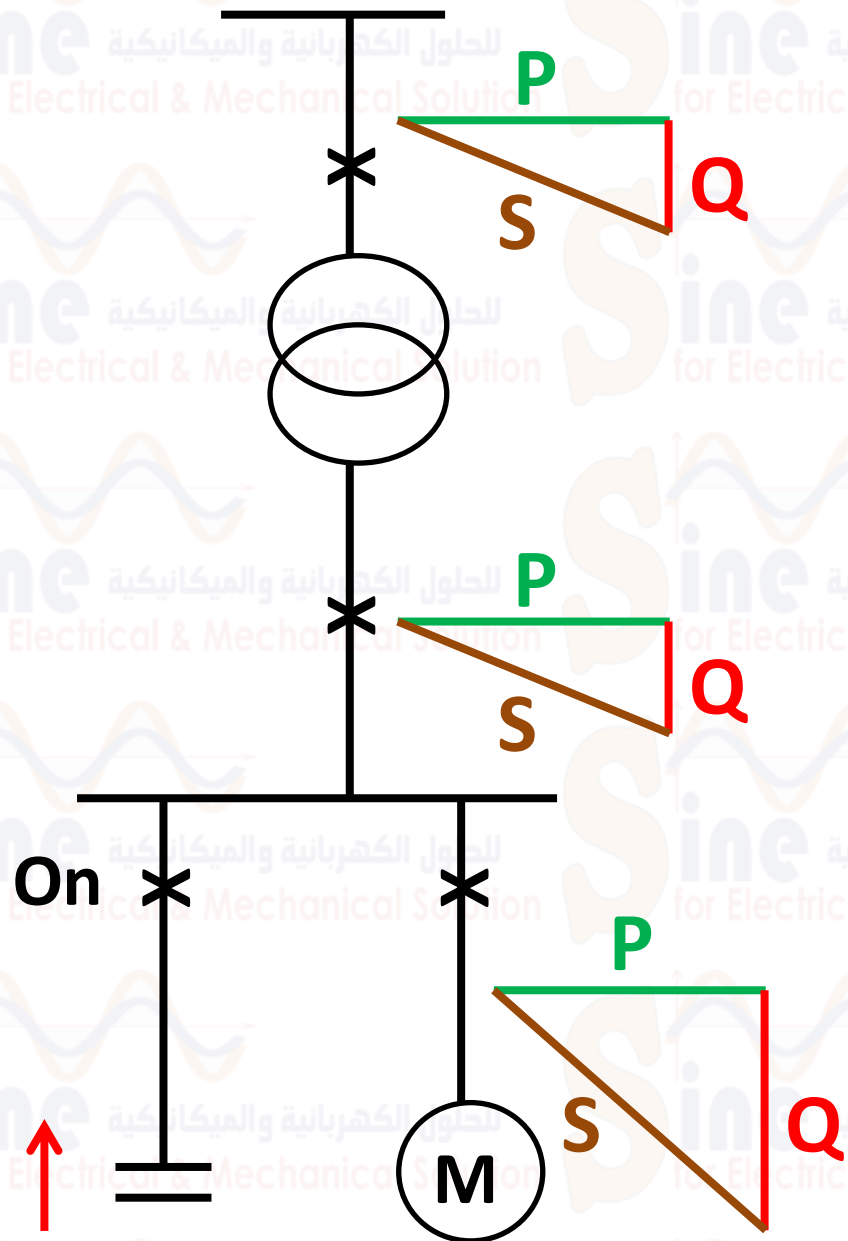
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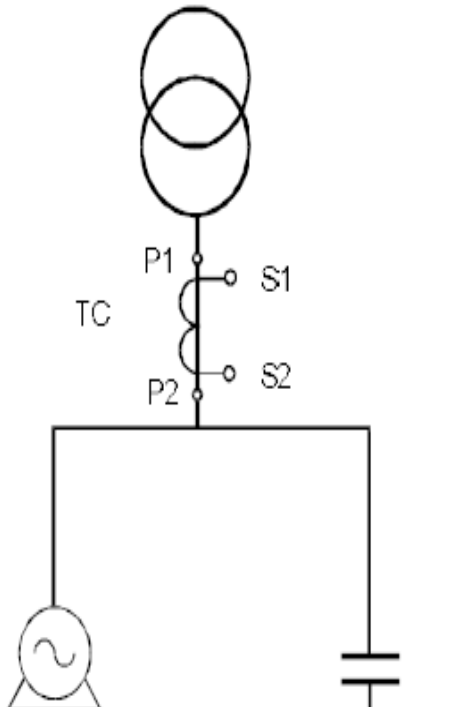
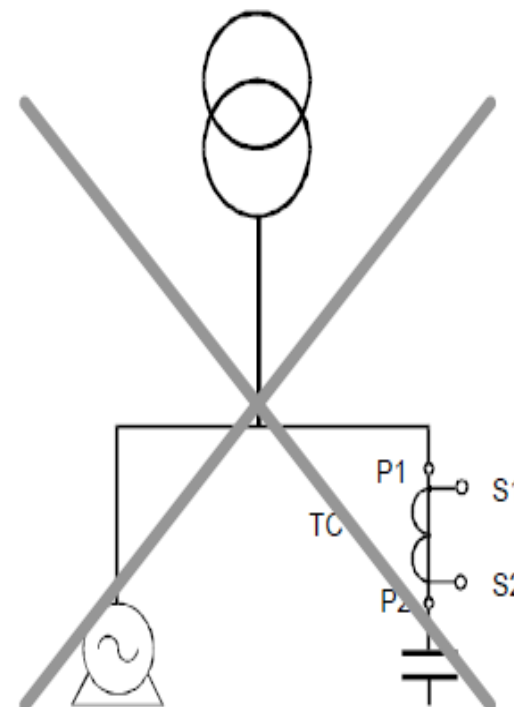
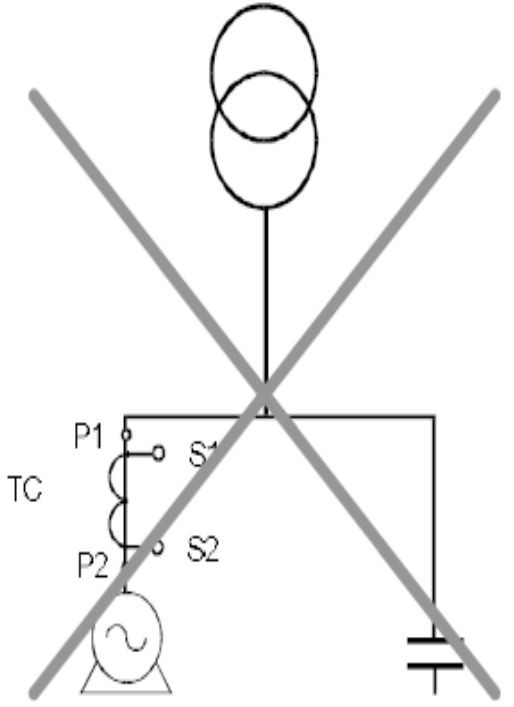
## Line-to-Line Connection



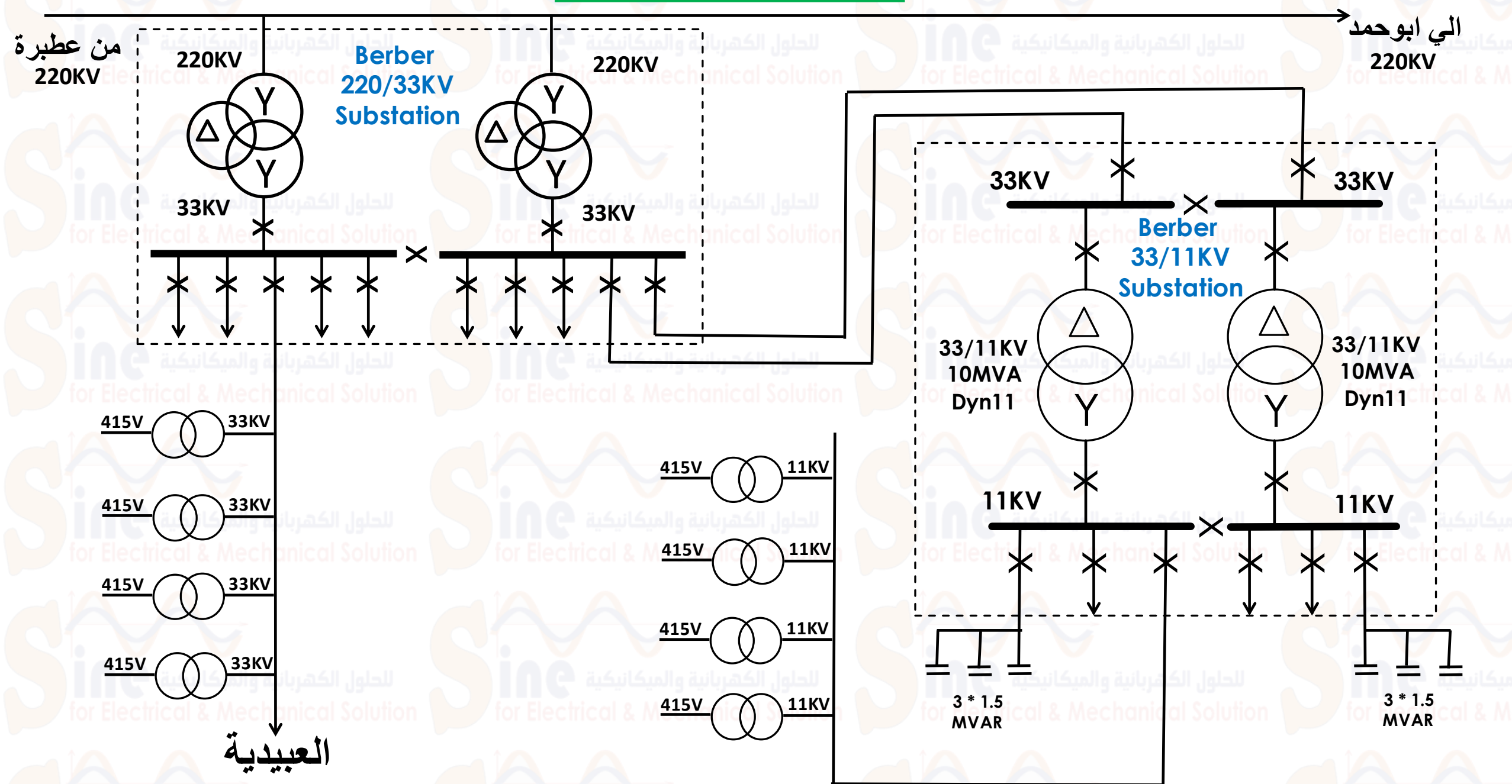
# Power Factor Correction-Basic Concept



# Power Factor Correction

RIGHT CONNECTION	WRONG CONNECTIONS	
 <p data-bbox="407 956 866 999">LOAD                      CAPACITORS</p> <p data-bbox="331 1042 917 1256">The CT measures the whole current of loads + capacitor bank. In case of malfunction check that the CT is not shortcircuited</p>	 <p data-bbox="1070 956 1528 999">LOAD                      CAPACITORS</p> <p data-bbox="955 1042 1567 1313">If CT is placed in this position, NONE of the CAPACITOR STAGES WILL CONNECT. The equipment does not regulate properly.</p>	 <p data-bbox="1707 956 2165 999">LOAD                      CAPACITORS</p> <p data-bbox="1592 1042 2165 1356">If CT is placed in this position ALL THE CAPACITOR STAGES WILL CONNECT. <b>WARNING!</b> This situation may cause overcompensation, resonance and overcurrent</p>

# Berber Area Grid



# Low Power Factor Penalty (Sudan Practice)

$$PF = 1$$

لا توجد غرامه

$$PF = 0.95$$

4 جنيه لكل

كيلوفار

$$PF = 0.90$$

5 جنيه لكل

كيلوفار

$$PF = 0.85$$

8 جنيه لكل

كيلوفار

$$PF = 0.80$$

10 جنيه

كيلوفار



# How to Convert From VAR to Farad

- The important formula that connect between VAR and CAPACITANCE is :

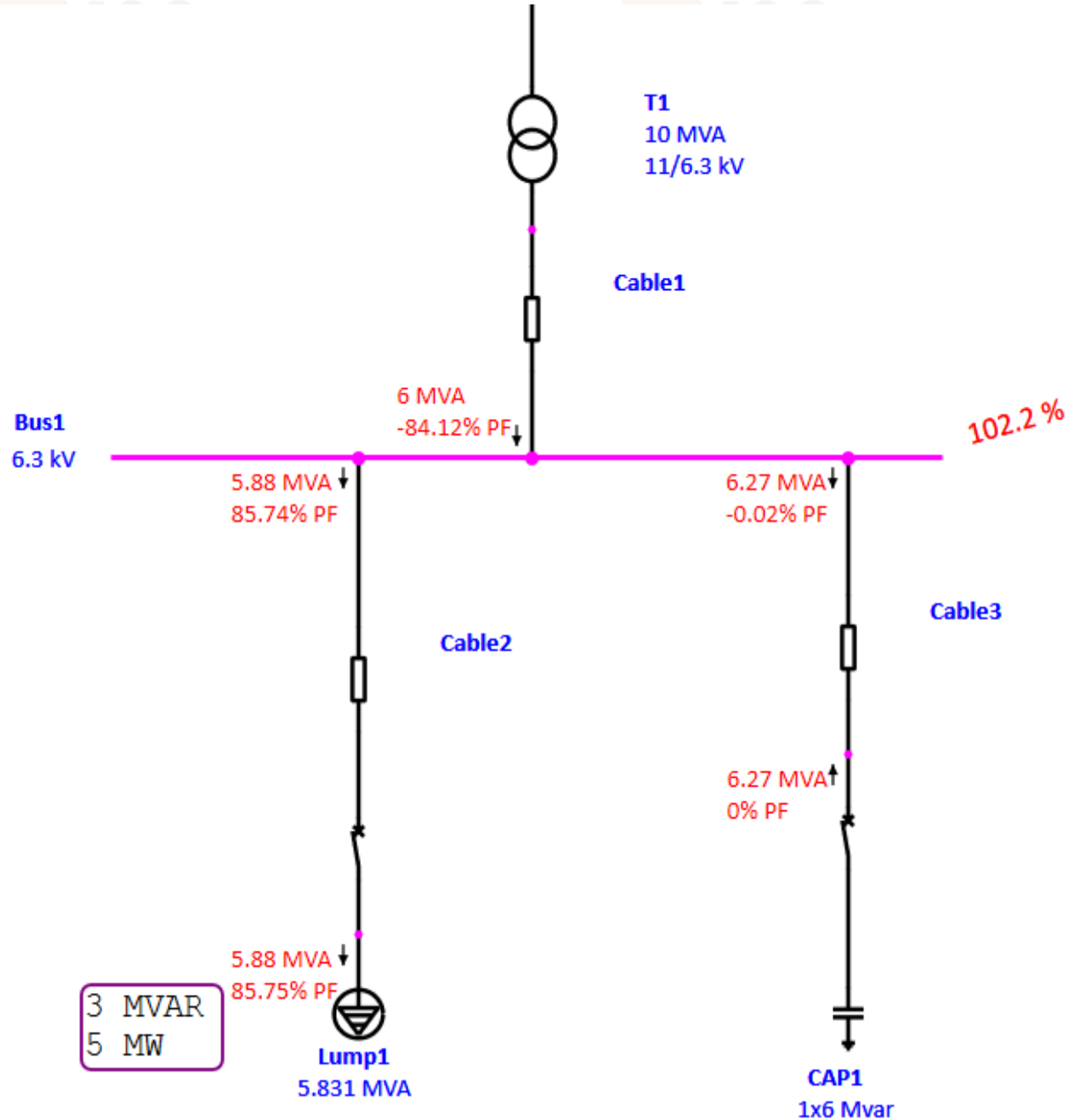
$$\text{VAR} = 2 * \pi * f * C * V^2$$

- $V$  is the voltage applied to the terminal of the capacitor cell and it is written on the nameplate.
- On the next slide is a name plate and you find that :

$$250 * 10^3 = 2 * \pi * 50 * 20.084 * 10^{-6} * 6432^2$$



# Reactive Power Flow Through The Grid



$$S = \sqrt{P^2 + Q^2}$$

$$S = \sqrt{5.05^2 + 3.24^2}$$

$$S = 6 \text{ MVA}$$

$$\text{P.F} = 5.04/5.689$$

$$\text{P.F} = -0.8416 \text{ (Lead)}$$

