# **EXPERIMENT NUMBER: 5**

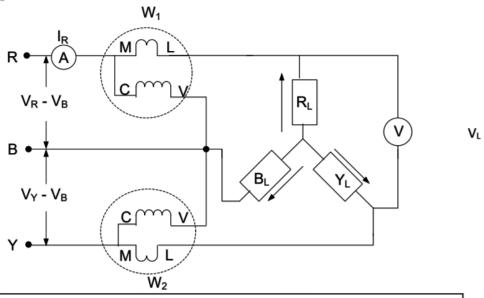
AIM OF THE EXPERIMENT: Measurement power in a three-phase circuit

**OBJECTIVE**: To measure power in a three-phase load by two wattmeter methods.

# **APPARATUS REQUIRED:**

| Sl. No. | Instrument Name    | Specification                           | Quantity |  |
|---------|--------------------|---|----------|--|
| 1       | A.C. Wattmeter     | 0-600V, 750W                            | 2        |  |
| 2       | A.C. Voltmeter     | 0-600V                                  | 1        |  |
| 3       | A.C. Ammeter       | 0-5 A                                   | 1        |  |
| 4       | Resistors          | 25,50 Ω                                 | 3        |  |
| 5       | Inductance         | 0.27566 H, 0.437274 H,<br>0.5 H, 0.37 H | 3        |  |
| 6       | A.C Voltage Source | 440 V (peak), 50 Hz                     | 1        |  |

# Circuit diagram:



Circuit diagram of Power measurement by two wattmeter method

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#### **OBSERVATION TABLE:**

#### 1. Balanced Load:

| SL.<br>NO. | LINE CURRENT $(I_L)$ in Amp | LINE VOLTAGE $(V_L)$ in Volt | 1st Wattmeter reading ( $W_1$ ) in Watt | 2nd Wattmeter reading $(W_2)$ in Watt | $\begin{array}{c} POWER = \\ W_1 + W_2 \end{array}$ | $\phi = tan^{-1}\frac{\sqrt{3}(W_1-W_2)}{W_1+W_2}$ (In degrees) | P. F. = cos φ |
|------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|---|---|---------------|
| 1          | 5.081                       | 440                          | 1936                                    | 1936                                  | 3872  | 0   | 1             |
| 2          | 2.54                        | 440                          | 0.05042                                 | 968                                   | 968.05042   | -59.997   | 0.500         |
| 3          | 1.738                       | 440                          | -132.7                                  | 585.7                                 | 453   | -69.996   | 0.342         |
| 4          | 2.818                       | 440                          | -297.8                                  | 893.5                                 | 595.7   | -73.897   | 0.277         |
| 5          | 1.597                       | 440                          | -251.3                                  | 442.6                                 | 191.3   | -80.956   | 0.157         |
| 6          | 2.317                       | 440                          | -288.3                                  | 630.7                                 | 342.4   | -77.860   | 0.210         |

#### 2. Unbalanced Load:

| SL.<br>NO. | LINE CURRENT $(I_L)$ in Amp | LINE VOLTAGE $(V_L)$ in Volt | 1st Wattmeter reading $(W_1)$ in Watt | 2nd Wattmeter<br>reading (W <sub>2</sub> ) in<br>watt | $\begin{array}{c} POWER = \\ W_1 + W_2 \end{array}$ |
|------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|---|
| 1          | 3.811                       | 440                          | 1452                                  | 1936  | 3388  |
| 2          | 2.324                       | 440                          | 135.1                                 | 89.2  | 224.3   |
| 3          | 1.664                       | 440                          | -52.47                                | 555.7   | 503.23  |

### **CALCULATIONS:**

#### Reading 1:

First Wattmeter reading 
$$= W_1 = 1936 \, W$$
  
Second Wattmeter reading  $= W_2 = 1936 \, W$   
Total Power  $= W_1 + W_2 = 3872 \, W$   

$$\phi = tan^{-1} \frac{\sqrt{3}(W_1 - W_2)}{W_1 + W_2} = tan^{-1} \frac{\sqrt{3}(1936 - 1936)}{3872} = 0^{\circ}$$
Power factor  $= cos \, \phi = cos \, 0^{\circ} = 1$ 



### Reading 2:

First Wattmeter reading 
$$=W_1=0.05042~W$$
  
Second Wattmeter reading  $=W_2=968~W$   
Total Power  $=W_1+W_2=968.05942~W$   
 $\phi=tan^{-1}\frac{\sqrt{3}(W_1-W_2)}{W_1+W_2}=tan^{-1}\frac{\sqrt{3}(0.05042-968)}{968.05042}=-59.997^\circ$   
Power factor  $=cos~\phi=cos(-59.997^\circ)=0.500$ 

# Reading 3:

First Wattmeter reading 
$$=W_1=-132.7~W$$
  
Second Wattmeter reading  $=W_2=585.7~W$   
Total Power  $=W_1+W_2=453~W$   
 $\phi=tan^{-1}\frac{\sqrt{3}(W_1-W_2)}{W_1+W_2}=tan^{-1}\frac{\sqrt{3}(-132.7-585.7)}{453}=-69.996^\circ$   
Power factor  $=cos~\phi=cos(-69.996^\circ)=0.342$ 

# Reading 4:

First Wattmeter reading 
$$=W_1=-297.8\,W$$
  
Second Wattmeter reading  $=W_2=893.5\,W$   
Total Power  $=W_1+W_2=595.7\,W$   

$$\phi=tan^{-1}\frac{\sqrt{3}(W_1-W_2)}{W_1+W_2}=tan^{-1}\frac{\sqrt{3}(-297.8-893.5)}{595.7}=-73.897^\circ$$
Power factor  $=\cos\phi=\cos(-73.897^\circ)=0.277$ 

### Reading 5:

First Wattmeter reading 
$$=W_1=-251.3~W$$
  
Second Wattmeter reading  $=W_2=442.6~W$   
Total Power  $=W_1+W_2=191.3~W$   
 $\phi=tan^{-1}\frac{\sqrt{3}(W_1-W_2)}{W_1+W_2}=tan^{-1}\frac{\sqrt{3}(-251.3-442.6)}{191.3}=-80.956^\circ$   
Power factor  $=cos~\phi=cos(-80.956^\circ)=0.157$ 

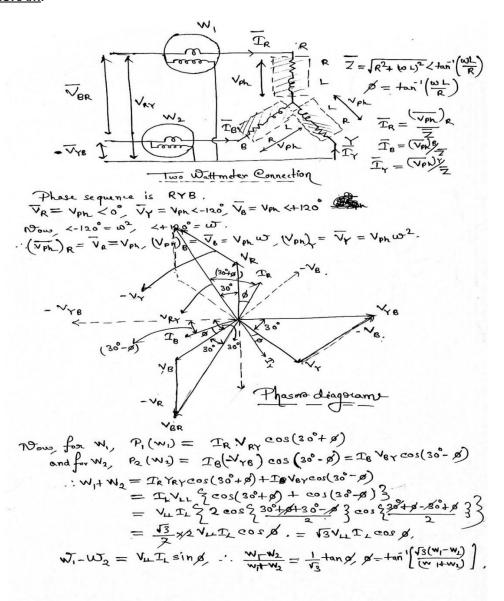
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#### Reading 6:

First Wattmeter reading 
$$=W_1=-288.3~W$$
  
Second Wattmeter reading  $=W_2=630.7~W$   
Total Power  $=W_1+W_2=342.4~W$   

$$\phi=tan^{-1}\frac{\sqrt{3}(W_1-W_2)}{W_1+W_2}=tan^{-1}\frac{\sqrt{3}(-288.3-630.7)}{342.4}=-77.860^\circ$$
Power factor  $=cos~\phi=cos(-77.860^\circ)=0.210$ 

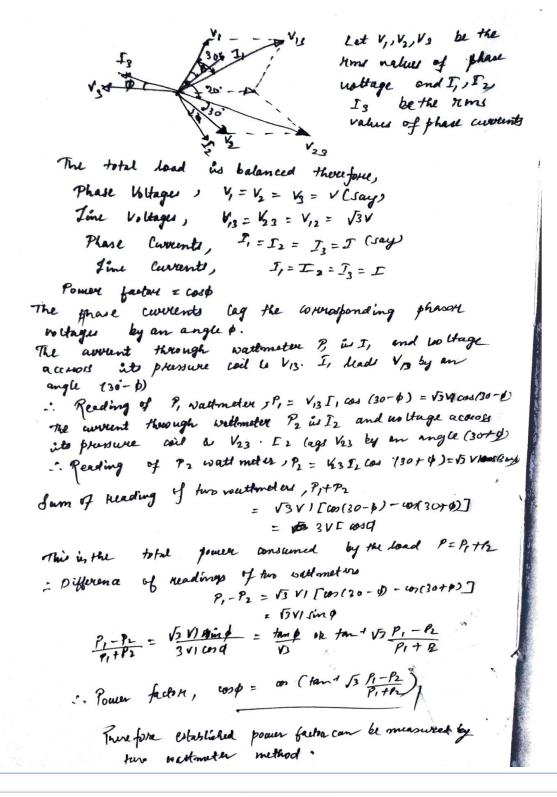
#### **PHASOR DIAGRAM:**



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#### **QUESTIONS:**

• Establish that power factor may also be estimated from two wattmeter readings.



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Explain why the wattmeter will give (a) zero reading (b) negative reading.

The reading of a wattmeter is proportional to (current through the current coil) x (voltage across the pressure coil) x Cosine (angle between this current and this voltage). Depending on the value of the cosine the wattmeter reading can be zero or negative. For a three-phase balanced load the two wattmeter readings will be,  $W_1 = V_{ab} \cdot I_a \cdot \cos(30^\circ + \phi)$  and  $W_2 = V_{cb} \cdot I_c \cdot \cos(30^\circ - \phi)$ .

- a) When this angle becomes equal to 90 degrees the reading of the wattmeter will be zero. So, if  $\phi = 60^{\circ}$  (P.F. equal to 0.5), a zero reading will be obtained for the first wattmeter.
- b) When this angle becomes more than 90 degrees the reading of the wattmeter will be negative. For a three-phase balanced load when  $\phi > 60^{\circ}$  (P.F. less than 0.5), a negative reading will be obtained for the first wattmeter  $(W_1)$ . In this case, the voltage-coil connections must be reversed in order that the instrument may give a positive or forward reading.

#### **CONCLUSION:**

- With this method we can measure power in a phase three wire system with unbalanced or balance load. The load may be star or delta connected; in this experiment we have used star connected load.
- Reading of wattmeter  $W_1$  is zero when the load power factor is 0.5 lagging i.e.,  $\phi = 60^\circ$ .
- Reading of wattmeter  $W_1$  is negative for  $\phi > 60^\circ$ . In this case, we reverse the connections to the pressure coil in order to measure power registered by wattmeter  $W_1$ . However, the reading thus obtained must be taken as negative while calculating total power and power factor.
- The reading of  $W_1$  is positive when  $\phi < 60^{\circ}$ .
- Both the wattmeters indicate the same readings when power factor of load is unity.
- All our calculations match with these observations and the experiment thus was successful.

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