

Electrical Systems

Lecture 7: Three-phase systems



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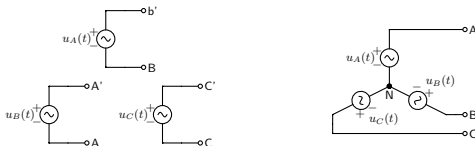
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Why three-phase electrical systems?



Polyphase systems...

are more advantageous than single phase systems

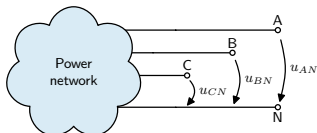
Why three-phase electrical systems?

- In opposite to single-phase systems, in balanced three-phase system the instantaneous power is constant
- Higher efficiency with respect to the single-phase systems
- The use of copper is reduced (around 75% of the used in single-phase systems)
- Three-phases is a trade-off between costs and efficiency of the energy transport.

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Three-phase systems



A three-phase system is a set of three voltages (with the same frequency) of power network with a sequence ABC

$$u_{AN}(t) = U_{AN}\sqrt{2}\cos(\omega t + \phi_A)$$

$$u_{BN}(t) = U_{BN}\sqrt{2}\cos(\omega t + \phi_B)$$

$$u_{CN}(t) = U_{CN}\sqrt{2}\cos(\omega t + \phi_C)$$

Voltages $u_{AN}(t)$, $u_{BN}(t)$, $u_{CN}(t)$ are referenced to a potential, usually called the neutral point (N) and can be represented using phasors as ¹

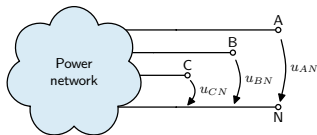
$$\underline{U}_{AN} = U_{AN}\angle\phi_A$$

$$\underline{U}_{BN} = U_{BN}\angle\phi_B$$

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¹For simplicity, subindex N is sometimes omitted and $\underline{U}_A = \underline{U}_{AN}$.

Three-phase systems

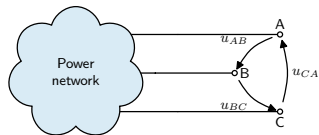


Phase (or line-to-neutral) voltages

$$\underline{U}_{AN} = U_{AN} \angle \phi_A$$

$$\underline{U}_{BN} = U_{BN} \angle \phi_B$$

$$\underline{U}_{CN} = U_{CN} \angle \phi_C$$



Line (or line-to-line) voltages

$$\underline{U}_{AB} = \underline{U}_{AN} - \underline{U}_{BN}$$

$$\underline{U}_{BC} = \underline{U}_{BN} - \underline{U}_{CN}$$

$$\underline{U}_{CA} = \underline{U}_{CN} - \underline{U}_{AN}$$

Three-phase systems

A three-phase system is said to be...

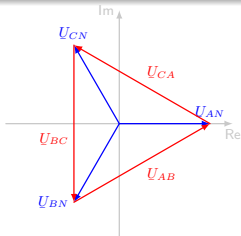
- **Symmetric** if the line voltages have the same rms value

$$U_{AB} = U_{BC} = U_{CA}$$

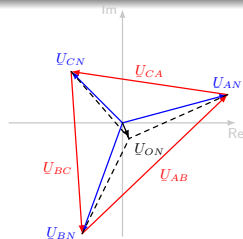
- **Balanced** if the neutral point coincides with the center of gravity of the equivalent triangle of the line voltages. Then

$$\underline{U}_{AN} + \underline{U}_{BN} + \underline{U}_{CN} = \underline{U}_{ON},$$

with $\underline{U}_{ON} = 0$.



Balanced and symmetric set of three-phase voltages



General set of three-phase voltages

Three-phase systems

In a symmetric and balanced three-phase system the phase voltages are

$$u_{AN}(t) = U\sqrt{2}\cos(\omega t + \phi)$$

$$\underline{U}_{AN} = U\angle\phi$$

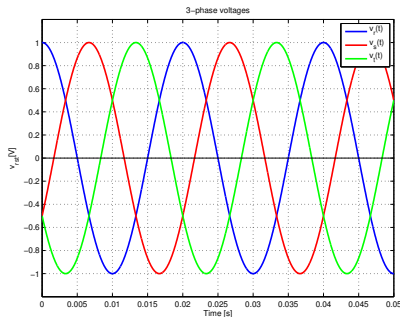
$$u_{BN}(t) = U\sqrt{2}\cos\left(\omega t + \phi - \frac{2\pi}{3}\right)$$

$$\underline{U}_{BN} = U\angle(\phi - 120^\circ) = a^2\underline{U}_A$$

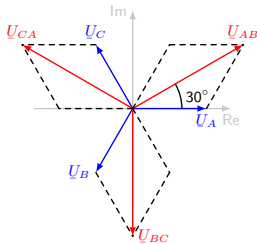
$$u_{CN}(t) = U\sqrt{2}\cos\left(\omega t + \phi + \frac{2\pi}{3}\right)$$

$$\underline{U}_{CN} = U\angle(\phi + 120^\circ) = a\underline{U}_A$$

$$\text{where } a = 1\angle 120^\circ = -\frac{1}{2} + j\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$



Three-phase systems



Equivalence between balanced line-to-line and line-to-neutral voltages

L2N voltages

$$\underline{U}_A = U_P \angle 0^\circ$$

$$\underline{U}_B = U_P \angle -120^\circ$$

$$\underline{U}_C = U_P \angle 120^\circ$$

L2L voltages

$$\underline{U}_{AB} = U_L \angle 30^\circ$$

$$\underline{U}_{BC} = U_L \angle -90^\circ$$

$$\underline{U}_{CA} = U_L \angle -210^\circ$$

$$U_L = \sqrt{3}U_P$$

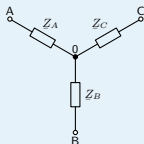
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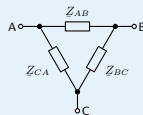
Three-phase loads

Y- Δ loads

Y (Wye) connected load*



Δ (Delta) connected load



* Node 0 in Y-loads can be connected (or disconnected) to the neutral of the generator.

A load is said to be balanced if...

- $Z_Y = Z_A = Z_B = Z_C,$

or

- $Z_\Delta = Z_{AB} = Z_{BC} = Z_{CA},$

Three-phase loads

Kennelly's Theorem (or Y- Δ transformation)

$$\underline{Z}_{AB} = \frac{\underline{Z}_A \underline{Z}_B + \underline{Z}_B \underline{Z}_C + \underline{Z}_C \underline{Z}_A}{\underline{Z}_C}$$

$$\underline{Z}_{BC} = \frac{\underline{Z}_A \underline{Z}_B + \underline{Z}_B \underline{Z}_C + \underline{Z}_C \underline{Z}_A}{\underline{Z}_A}$$

$$\underline{Z}_{CA} = \frac{\underline{Z}_A \underline{Z}_B + \underline{Z}_B \underline{Z}_C + \underline{Z}_C \underline{Z}_A}{\underline{Z}_B}$$

$$\underline{Z}_A = \frac{\underline{Z}_{AB} \underline{Z}_{CA}}{\underline{Z}_{AB} + \underline{Z}_{BC} + \underline{Z}_{CA}}$$

$$\underline{Z}_B = \frac{\underline{Z}_{BC} \underline{Z}_{AB}}{\underline{Z}_{AB} + \underline{Z}_{BC} + \underline{Z}_{CA}}$$

$$\underline{Z}_C = \frac{\underline{Z}_{CA} \underline{Z}_{BC}}{\underline{Z}_{AB} + \underline{Z}_{BC} + \underline{Z}_{CA}}$$

Note that, if...

$$\underline{Z}_A = \underline{Z}_B = \underline{Z}_C = \underline{Z}_Y \iff \underline{Z}_{AB} = \underline{Z}_{BC} = \underline{Z}_{CA} = \underline{Z}_{\Delta}$$

Then

$$\underline{Z}_{\Delta} = 3\underline{Z}_Y$$

Three-phase loads

Exercise 1

A balanced delta-connected load contains a 10Ω resistor in series with a 20mH inductor in each phase. The voltage source is a balanced abc -sequence three-phase 50Hz with a line voltage of 100V .

- 1 Find all the line currents.*
- 2 If the impedance between phases a and b is removed, find again all the line currents.*

Three-phase loads

Solution: Matlab code

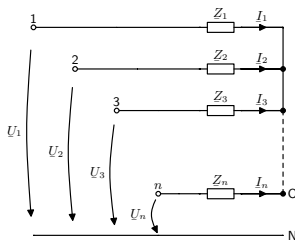
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1 clear all; close all; clc
2
3 U=100;
4 Z=10+1i*100*pi*20e-3;
5
6 a=cos(2*pi/3)+1i*sin(2*pi/3);
7 Uan=U/sqrt(3);
8 Ubn=U/sqrt(3)*a^2;
9 Ucn=U/sqrt(3)*a;
10
11 disp('--- Question 1 ---')
12 Iab=(Uan-Ubn)/Z;
13 disp(['Iab=' num2str(abs(Iab)) ',' num2str(180/pi*angle(Iab)) 'A'])
14 Ibc=(Ubn-Ucn)/Z;
15 Ica=(Ucn-Uan)/Z;
16 disp(['Ica=' num2str(abs(Ica)) ',' num2str(180/pi*angle(Ica)) 'A'])
17 Ia=Iab-Ica;
18 disp(['Ia=' num2str(abs(Ia)) ',' num2str(180/pi*angle(Ia)) 'A'])
19 Ib=Ibc-Iab;
20 disp(['Ib=' num2str(abs(Ib)) ',' num2str(180/pi*angle(Ib)) 'A'])
21 Ic=Ica-Ibc;
22 disp(['Ic=' num2str(abs(Ic)) ',' num2str(180/pi*angle(Ic)) 'A'])
23
24 disp('--- Question 2 ---')
25 Ia=-Ica;
26 disp(['Ia=' num2str(abs(Ia)) ',' num2str(180/pi*angle(Ia)) 'A'])
27 Ib=Ibc;
28 disp(['Ib=' num2str(abs(Ib)) ',' num2str(180/pi*angle(Ib)) 'A'])
29 Ic=Ica-Ibc;
30 disp(['Ic=' num2str(abs(Ic)) ',' num2str(180/pi*angle(Ic)) 'A'])
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Millman's Theorem

Consider a load with n different impedances connected to a floating point, O , with respect to the neutral of the polyphase system, N .



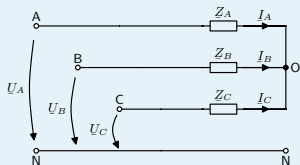
The voltage U_{ON} can be obtained, from the phase voltages with the result of the Millman's Theorem.

Millman's Theorem

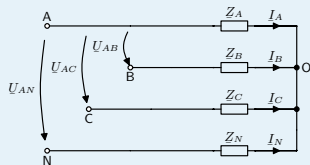
$$U_{ON} = \frac{\sum_{k=1}^n U_k N Y_k}{\sum_{k=1}^n Y_k}$$

Millman's Theorem

Applications of Millman's Theorem to three phase loads



$$U_{ON} = \frac{U_{AN}Y_A + U_{BN}Y_B + U_{CN}Y_C}{Y_A + Y_B + Y_C}$$



$$U_{AO} = \frac{U_{AB}Y_B + U_{AC}Y_C + U_{AN}Y_N}{Y_A + Y_B + Y_C + Y_N}$$

or, in the particular case of $Y_N = 0$
 ($Z_N = \infty$),

$$U_{AO} = \frac{U_{AB}Y_B + U_{AC}Y_C}{Y_A + Y_B + Y_C}$$

Millman's Theorem

Exercise 2

A balanced wye-connected load contains a 10Ω resistor in series with a 20mH inductor in each phase. The voltage source is a balanced abc -sequence three-phase 50Hz with a line voltage of 100V .

- 1 Find all the line currents.
- 2 If in phase a , the resistor is short-circuited, find again all the line currents and the voltage U_{on} .

Millman's Theorem

Solution: Matlab code

```
1 clear all; close all; clc
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3 U=100;
4 Z=10+1i*100*pi*20e-3;
5
6 a=exp(1i*2*pi/3);
7 Uan=U/sqrt(3);
8 Ubn=U/sqrt(3)*a^2;
9 Ucn=U/sqrt(3)*a;
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11 disp('--- Question 1 ---')
12 Ia=Uan/Z;
13 disp(['Ia=' num2str(abs(Ia)) ', ' num2str(180/pi*angle(Ia)) 'A'])
14 Ib=Ubn/Z;
15 disp(['Ib=' num2str(abs(Ib)) ', ' num2str(180/pi*angle(Ib)) 'A'])
16 Ic=Ucn/Z;
17 disp(['Ic=' num2str(abs(Ic)) ', ' num2str(180/pi*angle(Ic)) 'A'])
18
19 disp('--- Question 2 ---')
20 Za=1i*100*pi*20e-3;
21 Zb=Z;Zc=Z;
22
23 Uon=(Uan/Za+Ubn/Zb+Ucn/Zc)/(1/Za+1/Zb+1/Zc);
24 disp(['Uon=' num2str(abs(Uon)) ', ' num2str(180/pi*angle(Uon)) 'V'])
25
26 Ia=(Uan-Uon)/Za;
27 disp(['Ia=' num2str(abs(Ia)) ', ' num2str(180/pi*angle(Ia)) 'A'])
28 Ib=(Ubn-Uon)/Zb;
29 disp(['Ib=' num2str(abs(Ib)) ', ' num2str(180/pi*angle(Ib)) 'A'])
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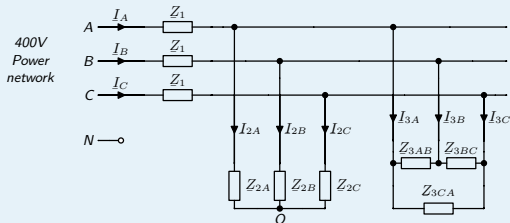
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Exercises I

Exercise 3

Given the three-phase circuit below with impedances $Z_1 = 0.5 + j\Omega$,
 $Z_{2A} = Z_{2B} = Z_{2C} = 15 + j8\Omega$, and $Z_{3AB} = Z_{3BC} = Z_{3CA} = 30 - j12\Omega$



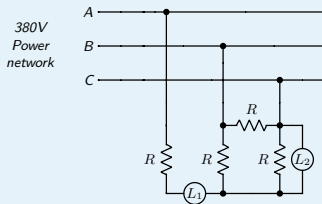
Find:

- 1 The line currents (I_A, I_B, I_C) and the voltage at U_{ON} .
- 2 The same voltage and the line currents, if $Z_1 = 0$ and $Z_{2A} = j8\Omega$.

Exercises II

Exercise 4

CT25: In the circuit in the figure, the power grid is symmetric and balanced, $R = 5\Omega$, and L_1 , L_2 are an ammeter and a voltmeter, respectively.



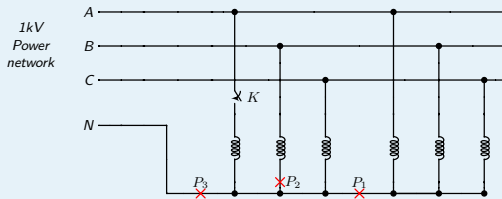
Find:

- 1 The L_1 , L_2 measurements.
- 2 If, erroneously, we connect two ammeters, which are the new measures?
- 3 If, erroneously, we connect two voltmeters, which are the new measures?

Exercises III

Exercise 5

CT36: In the circuit of the figure, the power grid is symmetric and balanced, all the reactances are $X = 100\Omega$. A failure occurs and switch K is disconnected. Find:



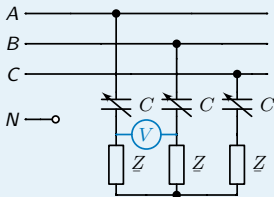
The measure of:

- 1 a voltmeter placed in point P_1 .
- 2 an ammeter placed in point P_1 .
- 3 a voltmeter placed in point P_2 .
- 4 an ammeter placed in point P_2 .
- 5 a voltmeter placed in point P_3 .
- 6 an ammeter placed in point P_3 .

Exercises IV

Exercise 6

The circuit in the Figure below shows a direct sequence three-phase system of 400 V.

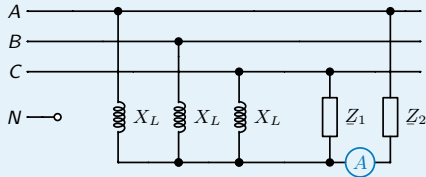


If the variable capacitors are equal in each phase and the three impedances have value $Z = 8 + j6 \Omega$, find the maximum voltage measured by the voltmeter when changing the capacitance values.

Exercises V

Exercise 7

Find the measure of the ammeter of the three-phase system in the Figure below.



Solutions I

Solution to Exercise 1

(Using \underline{U}_{an} as the reference voltage)

- 1 $\underline{I}_a = 14.66 \angle -32.14^\circ \text{A}$, $\underline{I}_b = 14.66 \angle -152.14^\circ \text{A}$, $\underline{I}_c = 14.66 \angle 87.85^\circ \text{A}$
($\underline{I}_{ab} = 8.47 \angle -2.14^\circ \text{A}$)
- 2 $\underline{I}_a = 8.47 \angle -62.14^\circ \text{A}$, $\underline{I}_b = 8.47 \angle -122.14^\circ \text{A}$, $\underline{I}_c = 14.67 \angle 87.85^\circ \text{A}$

Solution to Exercise 2

(Using \underline{U}_{an} as the reference voltage)

- 1 $\underline{I}_a = 4.89 \angle -32.14^\circ \text{A}$, $\underline{I}_b = 4.89 \angle -152.14^\circ \text{A}$, $\underline{I}_c = 4.89 \angle 87.85^\circ \text{A}$
- 2 $\underline{I}_a = 8.11 \angle -62.05^\circ \text{A}$, $\underline{I}_b = 4.15 \angle 180^\circ \text{A}$, $\underline{I}_c = 7.18 \angle 87.2^\circ \text{A}$,
 $\underline{U}_{on} = 27.06 \angle -62.05^\circ \text{V}$

Solutions II

Solution to Exercise 3

- 1 $I_A = 29.8\text{A}, I_B = 29.8\text{A}, I_C = 29.8\text{A}, U_{ON} = 0\text{V}$
- 2 $I_A = 35.28\text{A}, I_B = 26.04\text{A}, I_C = 38.39\text{A}, U_{ON} = 122.4\text{V}$

Solution to Exercise 4

- 1 $L_1 = 43.88\text{A}, L_2 = 219.39\text{V}$
- 2 $L_1 = 76\text{A}, L_2 = 131.63\text{A}$
- 3 $L_1 = 329.09\text{V}, L_2 = 190\text{V}$

Solutions III

Solution to Exercise 5

- 1 $U_1 = 0V$
- 2 $I_1 = 0A$
- 3 $U_2 = 577.35V$
- 4 $I_2 = 5.77A$
- 5 $U_3 = 115.47V$
- 6 $I_3 = 5.77A$

Solution to Exercise 6

$$V = 500 V$$

Solutions IV

Solution to Exercise 7

$$A = \frac{1}{Z_2} \left(\frac{U_{AB} \frac{1}{jX_L} + U_{AC} \left(\frac{1}{jX_L} + \frac{1}{Z_1} \right)}{\frac{3}{jX_L} + \frac{1}{Z_1} + \frac{1}{Z_2}} \right)$$

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