

# ECE 5984: Power Distribution System Analysis

## Lecture 5: Shunt Admittance of Distribution Lines

Reference: Textbook, Chapter 5, and Glover-Sarma-Overbye

*Instructor: V. Kekatos*

# Line capacitance

- Conductors separated by insulating medium modeled as capacitance
- Electric field between conductors induces electric charges (currents) [Gauss' law]
- Capacitance calculated as charge-to-voltage ratios

- Voltage difference due to charge  $q$  [Cb/m]

$$V_{12} = \frac{q}{2\pi\epsilon} \ln \frac{D_2}{D_1}$$

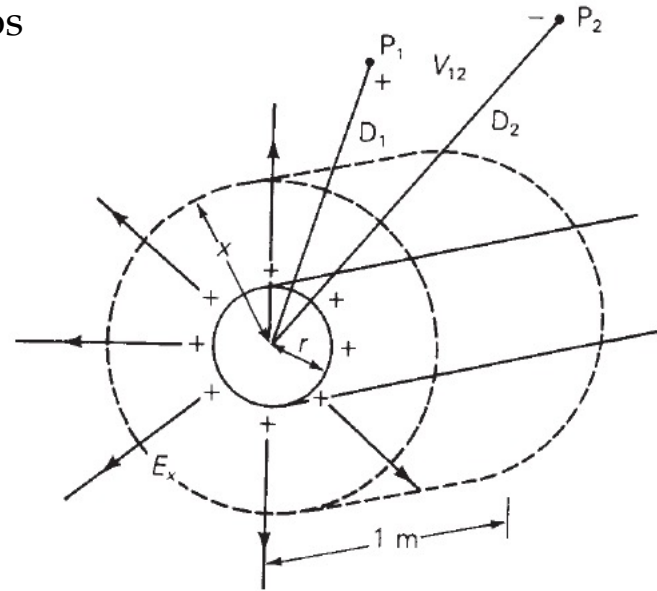
permittivity  $\epsilon = \epsilon_r \epsilon_0$

$$\epsilon_0 = 8.854 \cdot 10^{-12} \text{ [F/m]}$$

- Superposition for multiple conductors

$$V_{ij} = \frac{1}{2\pi\epsilon} \sum_{k=1}^N q_k \ln \frac{D_{kj}}{D_{ki}} \text{ [V]}$$

- Electric charges are *not* related to loads; exist due to voltage even with unloaded line



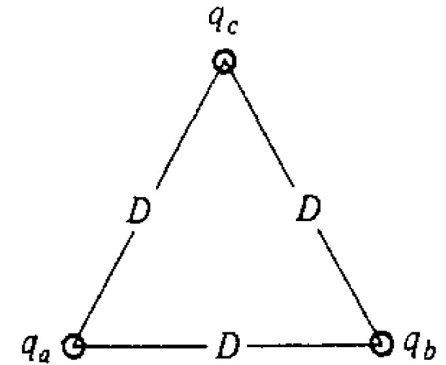
[Glover-Sarma-Overybye]

# Transmission lines

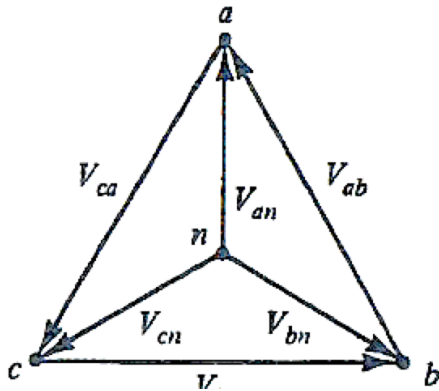
- Equidistant conductors ( $D$ ) of radius  $r$

$$V_{ab} = \frac{1}{2\pi\epsilon} \left[ q_a \ln \frac{D}{r} + q_b \ln \frac{r}{D} + q_c \ln \frac{D}{D} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi\epsilon} (q_a - q_b) \ln \frac{D}{r}$$



- Interested in phase voltages
- Assuming (a1) symmetry (or transposition); and (a2) balanced charges  $q_a = -q_b - q_c$

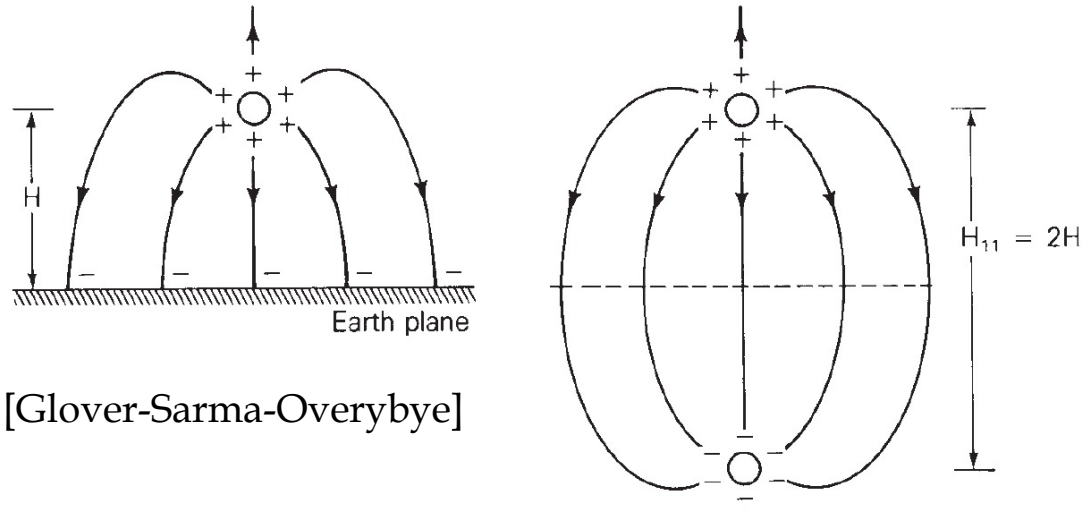


$$V_{an} = \frac{V_{ab} + V_{ac}}{3} = \frac{1}{2\pi\epsilon} \left[ \frac{q_a - q_b + q_a - q_c}{3} \right] \ln \frac{D}{r} = \frac{1}{2\pi\epsilon} q_a \ln \frac{D}{r}$$

- Shunt capacitance for phase conductor  $a$ :  $C_{an} = \frac{q_a}{V_{an}} = \frac{2\pi\epsilon}{\ln \frac{D}{r}}$  [F/m]

# Method of images

- Earth is modeled by mirror conductor carrying opposite charges



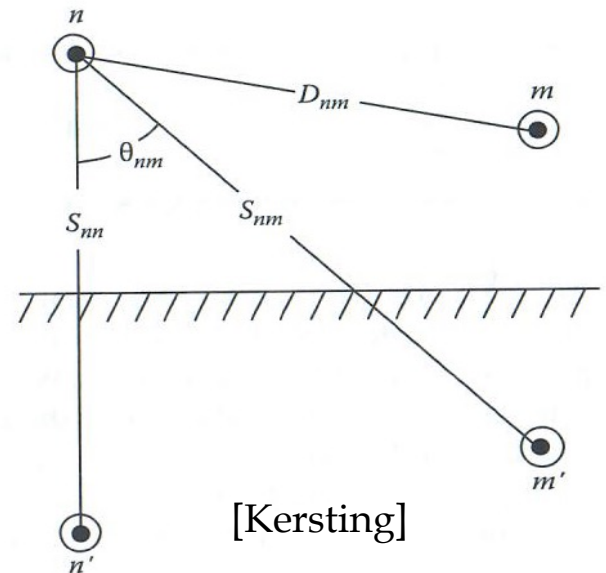
[Glover-Sarma-Overybye]

- Voltage difference across conductor and mirror

$$V_{ii'} = \frac{1}{2\pi\epsilon} \left[ \sum_{k=1}^N q_k \ln \frac{S_{ki}}{D_{ki}} - \sum_{k=1}^N q_k \ln \frac{D_{ki}}{S_{ki}} \right]$$

- Due to symmetry

$$V_{in} = \frac{V_{ii'}}{2} = \frac{1}{2\pi\epsilon} \sum_{n=1}^N q_k \ln \frac{S_{ki}}{D_{ki}}$$



[Kersting]

# Primitive potential coefficient matrix

- Phase voltages are linear combinations of charges at all non-dirt conductors

$$V_{in} = \sum_{k=1}^N P_{ik} q_k, \quad \text{where} \quad P_{ik} := 11.177 \cdot \ln \frac{S_{ki}}{D_{ki}} \quad [\text{mile}/\mu\text{F}]$$

- Primitive potential coefficient matrix*  $\mathbf{P}$  [mile/ $\mu\text{F}$ ]

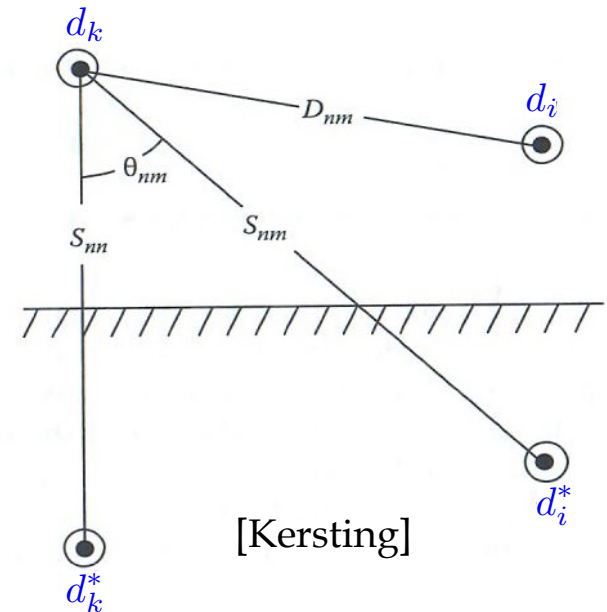
not phasors

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{v}_\phi \\ \mathbf{v}_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{P}_{\phi\phi} & \mathbf{P}_{\phi n} \\ \mathbf{P}_{\phi n}^\top & \mathbf{P}_{nn} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{q}_\phi \\ \mathbf{q}_n \end{bmatrix}$$

with  $P_{ik}$  as matrix entries

- Trick:* If  $d_i$  is a complex number denoting the location of conductor  $i$

$$D_{ki} = |d_k - d_i| \quad \text{and} \quad S_{ki} = |d_k - d_i^*|$$



# Phase potential and capacitance matrices

- Primitive potential coefficient matrix 
$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{v}_\phi \\ \mathbf{v}_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{P}_{\phi\phi} & \mathbf{P}_{\phi n} \\ \mathbf{P}_{\phi n}^\top & \mathbf{P}_{nn} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{q}_\phi \\ \mathbf{q}_n \end{bmatrix}$$

- Kron reduction to eliminate  $\mathbf{q}_n$  since  $\mathbf{v}_n = \mathbf{0}$

- Phase potential coefficient matrix*

$$\mathbf{v}_\phi = \mathbf{P}_\phi \mathbf{q}_\phi \quad \text{where} \quad \mathbf{P}_\phi = \mathbf{P}_{\phi\phi} - \mathbf{P}_{\phi n} \mathbf{P}_{nn}^{-1} \mathbf{P}_{\phi n}^\top \quad [\text{mile}/\mu\text{F}]$$

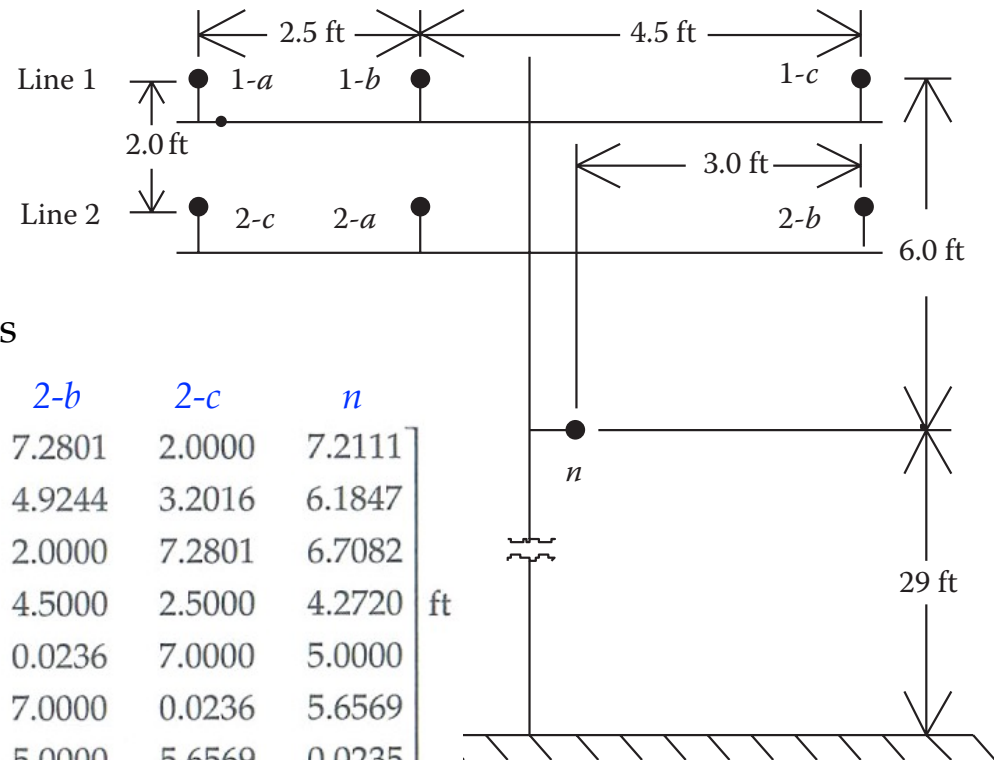
- Phase capacitance matrix*  $\mathbf{q}_\phi = \mathbf{C}_\phi \mathbf{v}_\phi$  where  $\mathbf{C}_\phi = \mathbf{P}_\phi^{-1}$   $\mu\text{F}/\text{mile}$

positive diagonal and negative off-diagonal entries

- Phase shunt admittance matrix*  $\mathbf{Y}_{\text{sh}} = j\omega \mathbf{C}_\phi$   $\mu\text{S}/\text{mile}$

# Parallel lines

Procedure generalizes to parallel lines



Step 1: Find distances between conductors

$$\mathbf{D} = \begin{bmatrix} 1-a & 1-b & 1-c & 2-a & 2-b & 2-c & n \\ 0.0300 & 2.5000 & 7.0000 & 3.2016 & 7.2801 & 2.0000 & 7.2111 \\ 2.5000 & 0.0300 & 4.5000 & 2.0000 & 4.9244 & 3.2016 & 6.1847 \\ 7.0000 & 4.5000 & 0.0300 & 4.9244 & 2.0000 & 7.2801 & 6.7082 \\ 3.2016 & 2.0000 & 4.9244 & 0.0236 & 4.5000 & 2.5000 & 4.2720 \\ 7.2801 & 4.9244 & 2.0000 & 4.5000 & 0.0236 & 7.0000 & 5.0000 \\ 2.0000 & 3.2016 & 7.2801 & 2.5000 & 7.0000 & 0.0236 & 5.6569 \\ 7.2111 & 6.1847 & 6.7082 & 4.272 & 5.0000 & 5.6569 & 0.0235 \end{bmatrix} \text{ ft}$$

Step 2: Find distances between conductors and mirror conductors

$$\mathbf{S} = \begin{bmatrix} 70.000 & 70.045 & 70.349 & 68.046 & 68.359 & 68.000 & 64.125 \\ 70.045 & 70.000 & 70.145 & 68.000 & 68.149 & 68.046 & 64.018 \\ 70.349 & 70.145 & 70.000 & 68.149 & 68.000 & 68.359 & 64.070 \\ 68.046 & 68.000 & 68.149 & 66.000 & 66.153 & 66.047 & 62.018 \\ 68.359 & 68.149 & 68.000 & 66.153 & 66.000 & 66.370 & 62.073 \\ 68.000 & 68.046 & 68.359 & 66.047 & 66.370 & 66.000 & 62.129 \\ 64.125 & 64.018 & 64.070 & 62.018 & 62.073 & 62.129 & 60.000 \end{bmatrix} \text{ ft}$$

## Parallel lines (cont'd)

Step 3: Form primitive potential coefficient matrix  $P_{ij} := 11.177 \cdot \ln \frac{S_{ji}}{D_{ji}}$  [mile/ $\mu$ F]

Step 4: Kron reduction to get the phase potential coefficient matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{v}_{\phi_1} \\ \mathbf{v}_{\phi_2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{P}_{\phi_1\phi_1} & \mathbf{P}_{\phi_1\phi_2} \\ \mathbf{P}_{\phi_1\phi_2}^T & \mathbf{P}_{\phi_1\phi_2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{q}_{\phi_1} \\ \mathbf{q}_{\phi_2} \end{bmatrix}$$

Step 5: Invert to get the (coupled) phase capacitance matrix

$$\mathbf{C} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{P}_{\phi_1\phi_1} & \mathbf{P}_{\phi_1\phi_2} \\ \mathbf{P}_{\phi_1\phi_2}^T & \mathbf{P}_{\phi_1\phi_2} \end{bmatrix}^{-1}$$



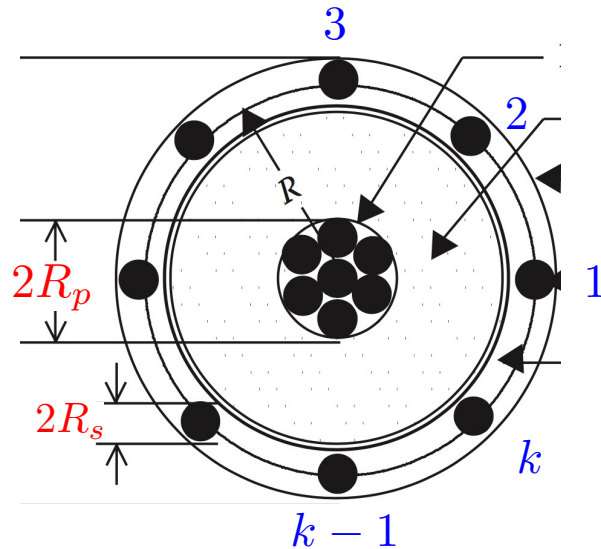
## Parallel lines (cont'd)

Step 6: Convert capacitance to (coupled) phase shunt admittance matrix

$$\mathbf{Y}_{\text{sh},12} = j\omega\mathbf{C} = \begin{bmatrix} j6.2992 & -j1.3413 & -j0.4135 & -j0.7889 & -j0.2992 & -j1.6438 \\ -j1.3413 & j6.5009 & -j0.8038 & -j1.4440 & -j0.5698 & -j0.7988 \\ -j0.4135 & -j0.8038 & j6.0257 & -j0.5553 & -j1.8629 & -j0.2985 \\ -j0.7889 & -j1.4440 & -j0.5553 & j6.3278 & -j0.6197 & -j1.1276 \\ -j0.2992 & -j0.5698 & -j1.8629 & -j0.6197 & j5.9016 & -j0.2950 \\ -j1.6438 & -j0.7988 & -j0.2985 & -j1.1276 & -j0.2950 & j6.1051 \end{bmatrix} \mu\text{S}/\text{mile}$$

- Compare shunt admittance values to series impedance from Lecture 5...

# Concentric neutral underground cables



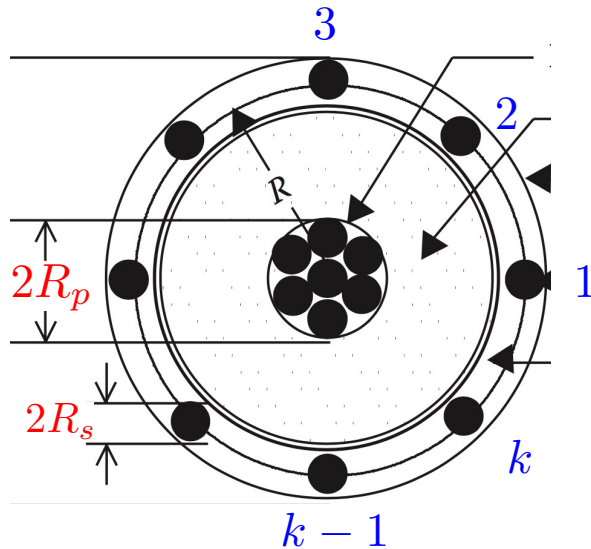
- $k$  : # concentric neutrals
- $R$  : radius of concentric arrangement
- $R_p$  : radius of phase conductor
- $R_s$  : radius of neutral strand
- $D_{1n}$  : distance between strand 1 and strand  $n$

- Shielding confines electric fields within cables
- No coupling between phase cables, and between cables and earth
- All neutral strands are at the same potential (ground)
- Voltage between phase conductor and ground (e.g., neutral strand #1)

$$V_{pg} = \frac{1}{2\pi\epsilon} \left[ q_p \ln \frac{R}{R_p} + \sum_{n=1}^k q_n \ln \frac{D_{1n}}{R} \right]$$

- Shielding does not confine magnetic fields; hence we still have mutual impedances

# Concentric neutral underground cables (cont'd)



$$V_{pg} = \frac{1}{2\pi\epsilon} \left[ q_p \ln \frac{R}{R_p} + \sum_{n=1}^k q_n \ln \frac{D_{1n}}{R} \right]$$

- Equal charge on neutral strands

$$q_n = -\frac{q_p}{k}, \quad \forall n = 1, \dots, k$$

- Distances between strands

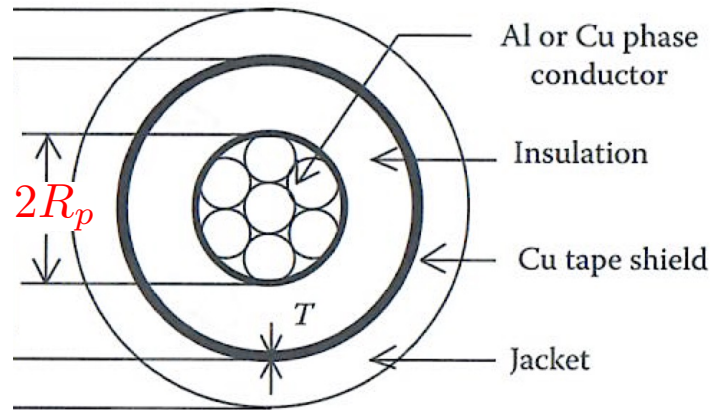
$$D_{1n} = \left| R - R e^{j \frac{2\pi(n-1)}{k}} \right|, \quad n = 2, \dots, k$$

- Using formula for bundled conductors uniformly spaced on the perimeter

$$C_{pg} = \frac{q_p}{V_{pg}} = \frac{2\pi\epsilon}{\ln \frac{R}{R_p} - \frac{1}{k} \ln \frac{kR_s}{R}}$$

Material	Range of Values of Relative Permittivity
Polyvinyl Chloride (PVC)	3.4–8.0
Ethylene-Propylene Rubber (EPR)	2.5–3.5
Polyethylene (PE)	2.5–2.6
Cross-Linked Polyethylene (XLPE)	2.3–6.0

# Tape-shielded cables



- Limiting case of concentric neutrals for  $k \rightarrow \infty$

$$C_{pg} = \frac{q_p}{V_{pg}} = \frac{2\pi\epsilon}{\ln \frac{R}{R_p}}$$

- For either cables, *no capacitive coupling across phases* or circuits in parallel lines

- Phase admittance matrix is diagonal  $\mathbf{Y}_{sh} = \begin{bmatrix} j96.5569 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & j96.5569 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & j96.5569 \end{bmatrix} \mu\text{S/mile}$

- *For both overhead and underground lines, shunt admittances are typically ignored*

# Sequence admittance

- Similarly to series impedances

$$\mathbf{i}_\phi = \mathbf{Y}_{\text{sh},\phi} \mathbf{v}_\phi \iff \mathbf{i}_s = \mathbf{Y}_{\text{sh},s} \mathbf{v}_s$$

- Sequence shunt admittance matrix

$$\mathbf{Y}_{\text{sh},s} := \mathbf{A}_s^{-1} \mathbf{Y}_{\text{sh},\phi} \mathbf{A}_s = \begin{bmatrix} y_{00} & y_{01} & y_{02} \\ y_{01} & y_{11} & y_{12} \\ y_{02} & y_{12} & y_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

- Diagonal for underground or transposed overhead lines
- In fact, for underground lines with three identical cables

$$\mathbf{Y}_{\text{sh},s} = \mathbf{Y}_{\text{sh},\phi}$$

# Summary

- Find distances between (mirror) conductors
- Find primitive potential coefficient matrix
- Kron reduction to get the phase potential coefficient matrix
- Inversion to get the phase capacitance matrix
- For underground cables, the capacitance matrix is a scaled identity
- Shunt admittance is typically ignored