ECE 5984: Power Distribution System Analysis

Lecture 9: Three-Phase Transformer Models

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Distribution system transformers

• Found at the substation and in-line



substation transformer

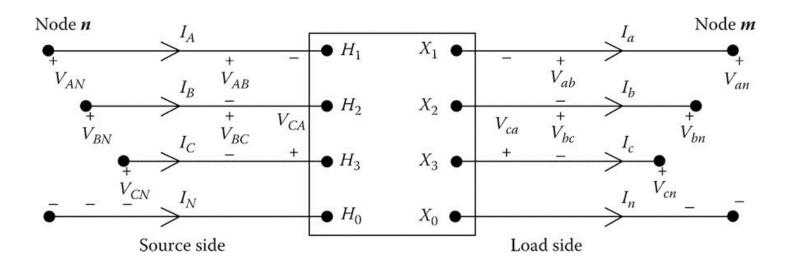


pole-mounted transformer



pad-mounted single-phase transformer

Generalized matrices



$$\mathbf{v}_n = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{v}_m + \mathbf{B}\mathbf{i}_m$$
 $\mathbf{i}_n = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{v}_m + \mathbf{D}\mathbf{i}_m$ (backward update)

$$\mathbf{v}_n = [a_t]\mathbf{v}_m + [b_t]\mathbf{i}_m$$
$$\mathbf{i}_n = [c_t]\mathbf{v}_m + [d_t]\mathbf{i}_m$$

$$\mathbf{v}_m = \mathbf{E}\mathbf{v}_n - \mathbf{F}\mathbf{i}_m$$

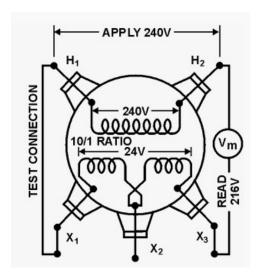
$$\mathbf{v}_m = [A_t]\mathbf{v}_n - [B_t]\mathbf{i}_m$$

Conventions

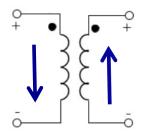
• ANSI/IEEE Std. C57.12.00 for Delta-Wye transformer connections

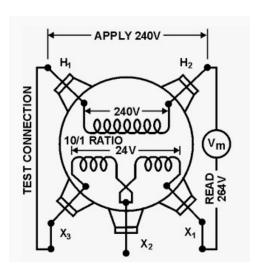
Voltages and currents on the high-voltage side lead by 30 degrees

• Distribution transformers of <200 kVA and HV<8.66 kV have additive polarity

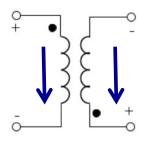


subtractive





additive



Three-phase connections

- Multi-phase transformers usually implemented by connecting 1φ transformers
- Transformer connections
 - 1) Grounded Wye grounded Wye
 - Delta grounded Wye (step-up)
 - 3) Delta grounded Wye (step-down)
 - 4) Ungrounded Wye Delta (step-down)
 - 5) Ungrounded Wye Delta (step-up)
 - 6) Grounded Wye Delta (step-down)
 - 7) Delta-Delta
 - 8) Open Wye open Delta
 - 9) Open Delta open Delta

Voltage conversions (review)

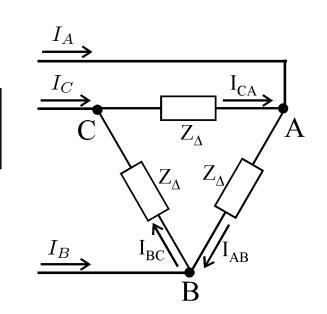
• LN voltages
$$\mathbf{v} := \left[egin{array}{c} V_a \\ V_b \\ V_c \end{array} \right]$$
 LL voltages $\tilde{\mathbf{v}} := \left[egin{array}{c} V_{ab} \\ V_{bc} \\ V_{ca} \end{array} \right]$

• LN-to-LL conversion
$$\tilde{\mathbf{v}} = \mathbf{D}_f \mathbf{v}, \quad \mathbf{D}_f := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
 singular matrix!

- LL voltages are zero-sum: $\mathbf{1}^{\top}\tilde{\mathbf{v}} = V_{ab} + V_{bc} + V_{ca} = 0$ even for unbalanced conditions
- Given LL voltages, recover equivalent LN voltages $\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{W}\tilde{\mathbf{v}}, \quad \mathbf{W} := \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$
- Vector of LN voltages represents
 - line-to-ground for grounded Wye
 - line-to-neutral for ungrounded Wye
 - 'equivalent' line-to-neutral for Delta connections

Current conversions (review)

• Line currents
$$\mathbf{i} := \begin{bmatrix} I_a \\ I_b \\ I_c \end{bmatrix}$$
 phase currents $\tilde{\mathbf{i}} := \begin{bmatrix} I_{ab} \\ I_{bc} \\ I_{ca} \end{bmatrix}$



Phase to line conversion

$$\mathbf{i} = \begin{bmatrix} I_{ab} - I_{ca} \\ I_{bc} - I_{ab} \\ I_{ca} - I_{bc} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \tilde{\mathbf{i}} = \mathbf{D}_f^{\top} \tilde{\mathbf{i}}$$

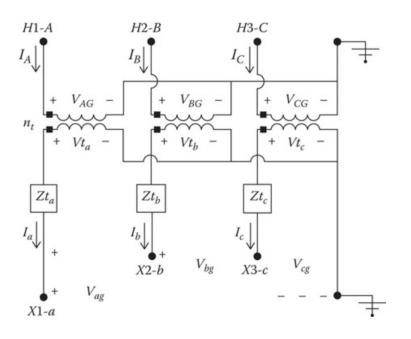
- If line currents exit triangle (delta source), vector \mathbf{i} gets negative sign or $\tilde{\mathbf{i}} := \begin{bmatrix} I_{ba} \\ I_{cb} \\ I_{ac} \end{bmatrix}$
- Singularity (shift-invariance) can be waived by fixing the sum of delta currents
- Given line currents, recover equivalent delta currents

$$\widetilde{\mathbf{i}} = \mathbf{W}^{ op} \mathbf{i}$$

Textbook follows a different derivation and finds matrix L with a zero column

1) $Y_G - Y_G$ connection

• Turns ratios are typically identical across all phases $n_t = \frac{N_{
m primary}}{N_{
m secondary}}$

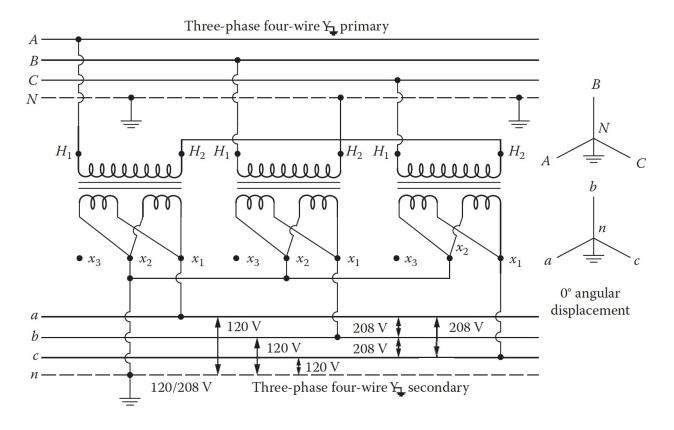


- Transformations $\frac{V_{AG}}{V_{ta}} = n_t$ and $\frac{I_A}{I_a} = \frac{1}{n_t}$
- Forward model $\mathbf{v}_m = \mathbf{v}_t \mathrm{dg}(\mathbf{z})\mathbf{i}_m$ $= \frac{1}{n_t}\mathbf{v}_n \mathrm{dg}(\mathbf{z})\mathbf{i}_m$

diagonal matrix with vector **z** on its main diagonal

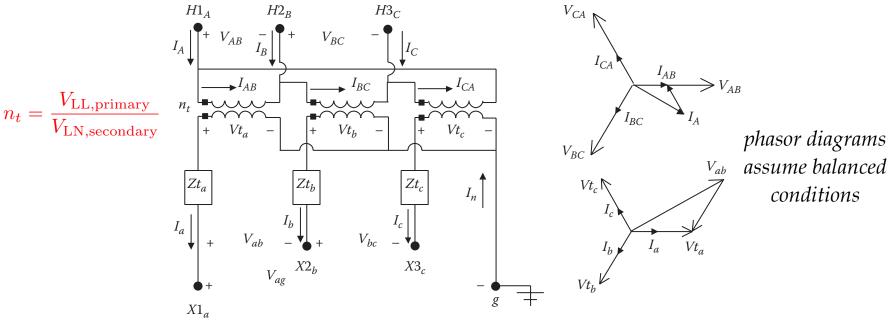
- Impedances may not be equal; transformers of different power ratings
- Backward model $\mathbf{i}_n = \frac{1}{n_t} \mathbf{i}_m$

Discussion on $Y_G - Y_G$ connection



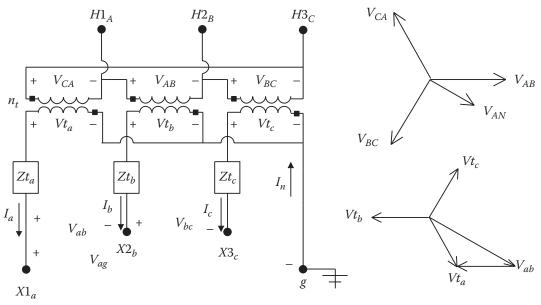
- Very common in three-phase four-wire systems
- Useful in voltage upgrades: a 2.4kV delta feeder can be converted to 4W-Y (4.16kV) by reconnecting the same transformers from Delta-Delta to Wye-Wye!
- Issues with third harmonics unless solidly grounded (no grounding impedance)

2) Step-up $\Delta - Y_{\rm G}$ connection



- How can we determine it is a step-up without knowing the turns ratio?
- Voltage and current transformations $\tilde{\mathbf{v}}_n = n_t \mathbf{v}_t$ and $\tilde{\mathbf{i}}_n = \begin{vmatrix} I_{AB} \\ I_{BC} \\ I_{CA} \end{vmatrix} = \frac{1}{n_t} \mathbf{i}_m$
- Sanity check (for *ideal* transformer) $\tilde{\mathbf{i}}_n^H \tilde{\mathbf{v}}_n = \left(\frac{1}{n_t} \mathbf{i}_m^H\right) (n_t \mathbf{v}_t) = \mathbf{i}_m^H \mathbf{v}_m$
- Backward model $\mathbf{i}_n = \mathbf{D}_f^{\top} \tilde{\mathbf{i}}_n = \frac{1}{n_t} \mathbf{D}_f^{\top} \mathbf{i}_m$
- Forward model $\mathbf{v}_m = \mathbf{v}_t \mathrm{dg}(\mathbf{z})\mathbf{i}_m = \frac{1}{n_t}\mathbf{D}_f\mathbf{v}_n \mathrm{dg}(\mathbf{z})\mathbf{i}_m$

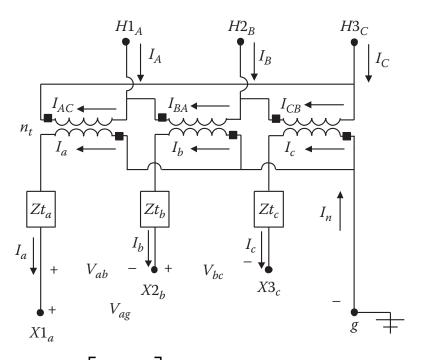
3) Step-down $\Delta - Y_{\rm G}$ connection



why step-down?

- Voltage transform $\tilde{\mathbf{v}}_n = \begin{bmatrix} V_{AB} \\ V_{BC} \\ V_{CA} \end{bmatrix} = -n_t \mathbf{A}_v \mathbf{v}_t$ where $\mathbf{A}_v := \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ permutation matrix
- Key properties p1) $\mathbf{A}_v^{-1} = \mathbf{A}_v^{\top}$ p2) $-\mathbf{A}_v^{\top} \mathbf{D}_f = \mathbf{D}_f^{\top}$
- Forward model $\mathbf{v}_m = \mathbf{v}_t \mathrm{dg}(\mathbf{z})\mathbf{i}_m$ $= -\frac{1}{n_t} \mathbf{A}_v^{\top} \tilde{\mathbf{v}}_n - \mathrm{dg}(\mathbf{z})\mathbf{i}_m$ $= -\frac{1}{n_t} \mathbf{A}_v^{\top} \mathbf{D}_f \mathbf{v}_n - \mathrm{dg}(\mathbf{z})\mathbf{i}_m = \frac{1}{n_t} \mathbf{D}_f^{\top} \mathbf{v}_n - \mathrm{dg}(\mathbf{z})\mathbf{i}_m$

Step-down $\Delta - Y_{\rm G}$ connection



• Current transformation
$$\tilde{\mathbf{i}}_n = \begin{bmatrix} I_{BA} \\ I_{CB} \\ I_{AC} \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{n_t} \mathbf{A}_v \mathbf{i}_m$$

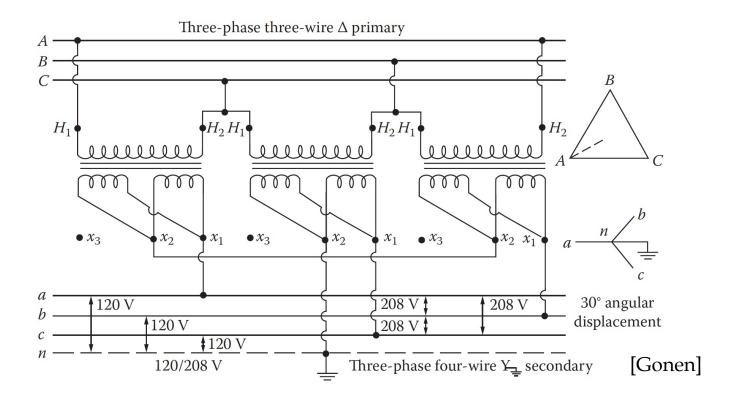
Backward model

$$\mathbf{i}_n = -\mathbf{D}_f^{\top} \tilde{\mathbf{i}}_n$$

$$= -\frac{1}{n_t} \mathbf{D}_f^{\top} \mathbf{A}_v \mathbf{i}_m$$

$$= (-\mathbf{A}_v^{\top} \mathbf{D}_f)^{\top} \mathbf{i}_m = \frac{1}{n_t} \mathbf{D}_f \mathbf{i}_m$$

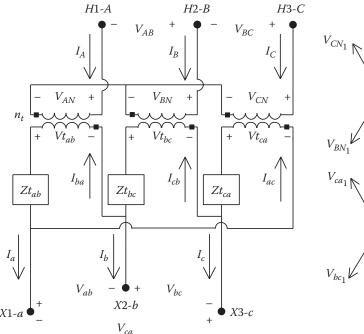
Discussion on $\Delta - Y$ connection

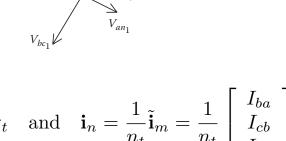


- Typical distribution substation connection
- Easier balancing of (large) 1φ loads across all three transformers
- Cannot operate with two transformers (no open delta open Y)

4) Step-down $Y - \Delta$ connection

ungrounded Y

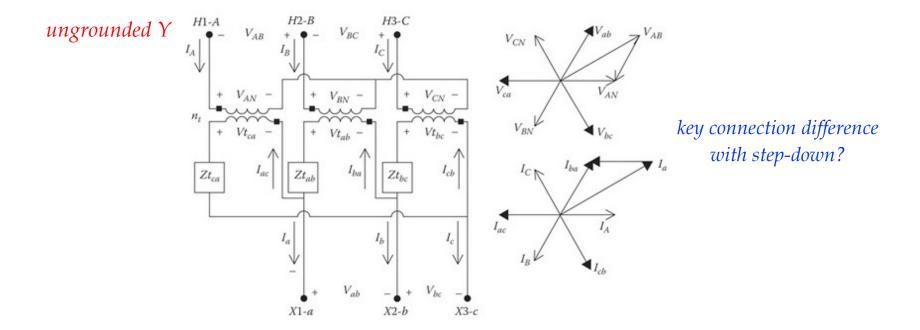




 V_{ab_1}

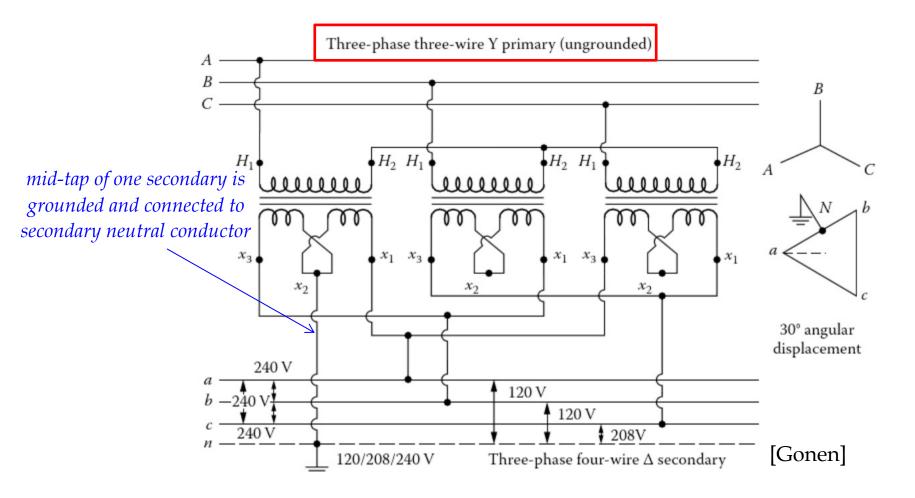
- Voltage and current transformations $\mathbf{v}_n = n_t \tilde{\mathbf{v}}_t$ and $\mathbf{i}_n = \frac{1}{n_t} \tilde{\mathbf{i}}_m = \frac{1}{n_t} \begin{bmatrix} I_{ba} \\ I_{cb} \\ I_{ac} \end{bmatrix}$
- Key point: phase currents in delta are zero-sum $\mathbf{i}_m = \mathbf{D}_f^{\top} \tilde{\mathbf{i}}_m \Rightarrow \tilde{\mathbf{i}}_m = \mathbf{W}^{\top} \mathbf{i}_m$
- Backward model $\mathbf{i}_n = \frac{1}{n_t} \mathbf{L} \mathbf{i}_m$ matrix \mathbf{L} can be either \mathbf{W}^T or the matrix in (8.63) of book
- Forward model $\mathbf{v}_m = \mathbf{W} \left(\tilde{\mathbf{v}}_t dg(\mathbf{z}) \tilde{\mathbf{i}}_m \right)$ $= \frac{1}{n_t} \mathbf{W} \mathbf{v}_n - \mathbf{W} dg(\mathbf{z}) \mathbf{L} \mathbf{i}_m$

5) Step-up $Y - \Delta$ connection

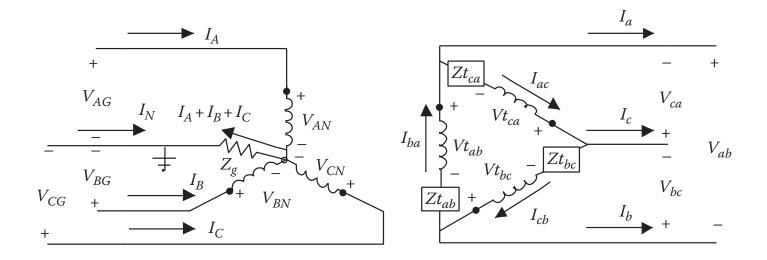


- Similar analysis observing $\mathbf{v}_n = -n_t \mathbf{A}_v^{\top} \tilde{\mathbf{v}}_t$ and $\mathbf{i}_n = -\frac{1}{n_t} \mathbf{A}_v^{\top} \tilde{\mathbf{i}}_m$ where $\tilde{\mathbf{i}}_m = \begin{bmatrix} I_{ba} \\ I_{cb} \\ I_{ac} \end{bmatrix}$
- Backward model $\mathbf{i}_n = -\frac{1}{n_t} \mathbf{A}_v^{\top} \mathbf{L} \mathbf{i}_m$
- Forward model $\mathbf{v}_m = -\frac{1}{n_t} \mathbf{W} \mathbf{A}_v \mathbf{v}_n \mathbf{W} dg(\mathbf{z}) \mathbf{L} \mathbf{i}_m$

Discussion on $Y - \Delta$ connection



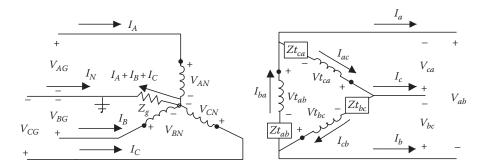
6) Step-down $Y_G - \Delta$ connection



- Challenging part is to relate delta currents to secondary line currents
- Exploit the fact that LL voltages across the delta loop are zero-sum

Step-down $Y_G - \Delta$ connection

- Current transformation $\mathbf{i}_n = \frac{1}{n_t} \tilde{\mathbf{i}}_m$ (1) $-\frac{\overline{}}{}_{V_{RG}}$
- Voltage transformation $\mathbf{v}_n = n_t \tilde{\mathbf{v}}_t$ (2)



- Non-ideal secondary $\tilde{\mathbf{v}}_m = \tilde{\mathbf{v}}_t dg(\mathbf{z})\tilde{\mathbf{i}}_m$ (3)
- LG voltages $\bar{\mathbf{v}}_{n} = \mathbf{v}_{n} + z_{g} \mathbf{1} \mathbf{1}^{\top} \mathbf{i}_{n} \stackrel{(1),(2)}{\Longrightarrow}$ $= n_{t} \tilde{\mathbf{v}}_{t} + \frac{z_{g}}{n_{t}} \mathbf{1} \mathbf{1}^{\top} \tilde{\mathbf{i}}_{m} \stackrel{(3)}{\Longrightarrow}$ $= n_{t} \tilde{\mathbf{v}}_{m} + \left(n_{t} \operatorname{dg}(\mathbf{z}) + \frac{z_{g}}{n_{t}} \mathbf{1} \mathbf{1}^{\top} \right) \tilde{\mathbf{i}}_{m} \qquad (4)$
- Solve for secondary LL voltages $\tilde{\mathbf{v}}_m = \frac{1}{n_t} \bar{\mathbf{v}}_n \left(\operatorname{dg}(\mathbf{z}) + \frac{z_g}{n_t^2} \mathbf{1} \mathbf{1}^\top \right) \tilde{\mathbf{i}}_m$ (5)
- Solve for secondary equivalent LN voltages

$$\mathbf{v}_m = \mathbf{W}\tilde{\mathbf{v}}_m = \frac{1}{n_t}\mathbf{W}\bar{\mathbf{v}}_n - \mathbf{W}\left(\mathrm{dg}(\mathbf{z}) + \frac{z_g}{n_t^2}\mathbf{1}\mathbf{1}^{\top}\right)\tilde{\mathbf{i}}_m$$
 (6)

Step-down $Y_G - \Delta$ connection

- *Goal*: express delta currents in terms of line currents
- There are two independent linear equations from $\mathbf{i}_m = \mathbf{D}_f^{\top} \tilde{\mathbf{i}}_m$
- Get one more equation from zero-sum LL voltages across delta

$$\mathbf{1}^{\top}\tilde{\mathbf{v}}_{m} = 0 \quad \stackrel{(5)}{\Longrightarrow} \quad \mathbf{1}^{\top}\bar{\mathbf{v}}_{n} = \left(n_{t}\mathbf{z} + \frac{3z_{g}}{n_{t}}\mathbf{1}\right)^{\top}\tilde{\mathbf{i}}_{m}$$

Put the three equations together

$$\begin{bmatrix} I_a \\ I_b \\ \mathbf{1}^{\top} \bar{\mathbf{v}}_n \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{K}^{-1} \tilde{\mathbf{i}}_m \text{ where } \mathbf{K}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ n_t z_{ab} + \frac{3z_g}{n_t} & n_t z_{bc} + \frac{3z_g}{n_t} & n_t z_{ca} + \frac{3z_g}{n_t} \end{bmatrix}$$

• Solve for delta currents if $\mathbf{K} = [\mathbf{k}_1 \ \mathbf{k}_2 \ \mathbf{k}_3]$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{i}}_m = [\mathbf{k}_1 \ \mathbf{k}_2 \ \mathbf{0}] \mathbf{i}_m + \mathbf{k}_3 \mathbf{1}^\top \bar{\mathbf{v}}_n \tag{7}$$

delta currents depend on line currents and primary voltages!

Step-down $Y_G - \Delta$ connection

• Substitute (7) into (6) to get the forward update with

$$\mathbf{E} = \mathbf{W} \left(\frac{1}{n_t} \mathbf{I} - \left(\operatorname{dg}(\mathbf{z}) + \frac{z_g}{n_t} \mathbf{1} \mathbf{1}^\top \right) \mathbf{k}_3 \mathbf{1}^\top \right)$$

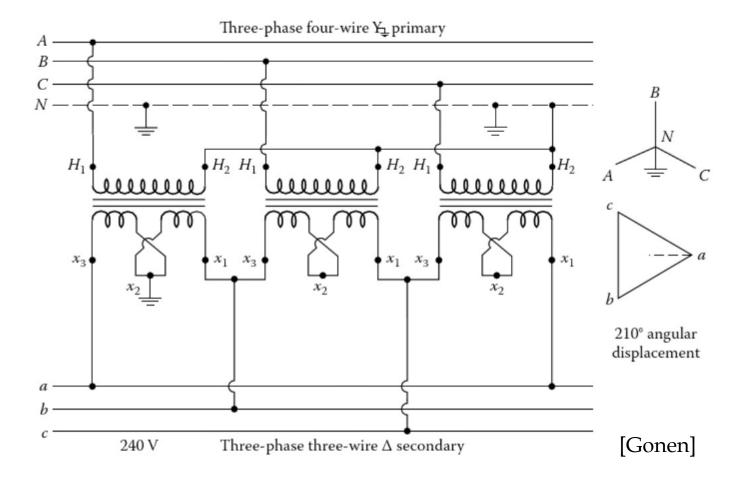
$$\mathbf{F} = -\mathbf{W} \left(\mathrm{dg}(\mathbf{z}) + \frac{z_g}{n_t} \mathbf{1} \mathbf{1}^\top \right) [\mathbf{k}_1 \ \mathbf{k}_2 \ \mathbf{0}]$$

• Substitute (7) into (1) to get the backward update with

$$\mathbf{i}_n = \mathbf{C}' \bar{\mathbf{v}}_n + \mathbf{F} \mathbf{i}_m \text{ where } \mathbf{C}' = \frac{1}{n_t} \mathbf{k}_3 \mathbf{1}^\top \text{ and } \mathbf{D} = \frac{1}{n_t} [\mathbf{k}_1 \ \mathbf{k}_2 \ \mathbf{0}]$$

- Matrix C usually multiplies secondary voltages \mathbf{v}_{m} . However, this equation can still be used during backward sweep as primary voltages are known and fixed during this update.
- This is the only connection with a C matrix!

Discussion on $Y_G - \Delta$ connection



7) $\Delta - \Delta$ connection

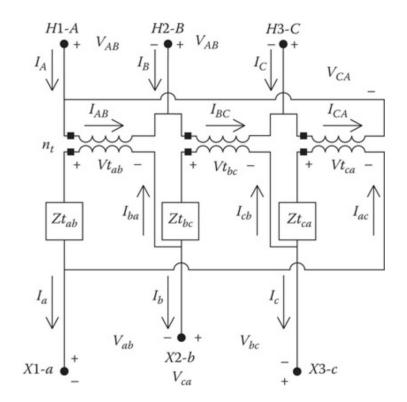
- Use zero-sum voltage drop across delta to relate phase to line currents
- Backward model

$$\tilde{\mathbf{i}}_n = \frac{1}{n_t} \tilde{\mathbf{i}}_m \Rightarrow \mathbf{D}_f^{\top} \tilde{\mathbf{i}}_n = \frac{1}{n_t} \mathbf{D}_f^{\top} \tilde{\mathbf{i}} \Rightarrow \mathbf{i}_n = \frac{1}{n_t} \mathbf{i}_m$$

• Voltage transformations

$$\tilde{\mathbf{v}}_m = \tilde{\mathbf{v}}_t - \mathrm{dg}(\mathbf{z})\tilde{\mathbf{i}}_m = \frac{1}{n_t}\tilde{\mathbf{v}}_n - \mathrm{dg}(\mathbf{z})\tilde{\mathbf{i}}_m \Rightarrow$$

$$\mathbf{1}^{\top}\tilde{\mathbf{v}}_m = \mathbf{1}^{\top}\tilde{\mathbf{v}}_t - \mathbf{1}^{\top}\mathrm{dg}(\mathbf{z})\tilde{\mathbf{i}}_m \Rightarrow \mathbf{z}^{\top}\tilde{\mathbf{i}}_m = 0$$



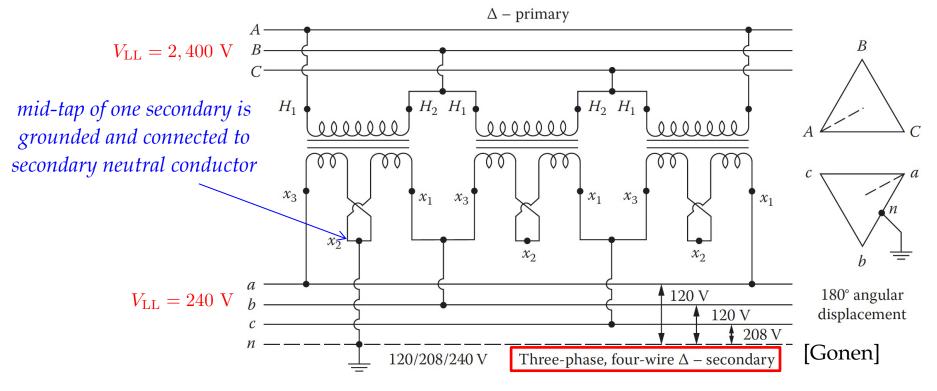
• Stack previous equation with two from $\mathbf{i}_m = \mathbf{D}_f^{\mathsf{T}} \tilde{\mathbf{i}}_m = 0$

$$\begin{bmatrix} I_a \\ I_b \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{K}^{-1}\tilde{\mathbf{i}}_m \text{ where } \mathbf{K}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ z_{ab} & z_{bc} & z_{ca} \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \mathbf{K} = [\mathbf{k}_1 \ \mathbf{k}_2 \ \mathbf{k}_3]$$

Forward model

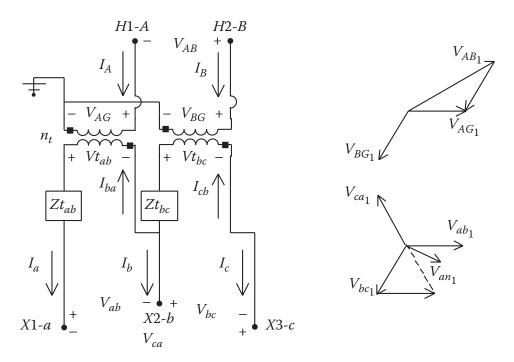
$$\mathbf{v}_m = \mathbf{W}\tilde{\mathbf{v}}_m = \mathbf{E}\mathbf{v}_n - \mathbf{F}\mathbf{i}_m$$
 where $\mathbf{E} = \frac{1}{n_t}\mathbf{W}\mathbf{D}_f$ and $\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{W}\mathrm{dg}(\mathbf{z})[\mathbf{k}_1 \ \mathbf{k}_2 \ \mathbf{0}]$

Discussion on $\Delta - \Delta$ connection



- Used in three-wire delta systems
- 180° displacement due to additive polarity; 0° displacement for subtractive polarity
- Load connections
 - large 3φ to delta (240V)
 - large 1φ to one of deltas (240V) or cn (208V)
 - small 1ϕ to an or bn (120V)

8) Open Y – open Δ connection



- *Small* 3φ load (motor) plus 1φ load (lighting)
- 2φ (2-line) primary and two transformers
- If 1ϕ load is connected on ab, the 'lighting' transformer is on AG
- Primary phase of lighting transformer (usually larger kVA) determines *leading/lagging* connection

Open Y – open Δ connection (cont'd)

Backward model

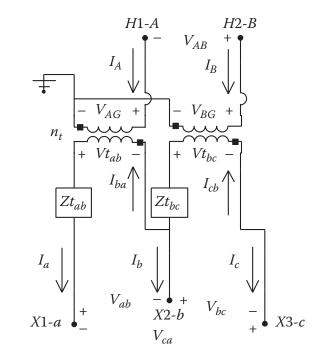
$$\mathbf{i}_n = \frac{1}{n_t} \left[\begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \mathbf{i}_m$$

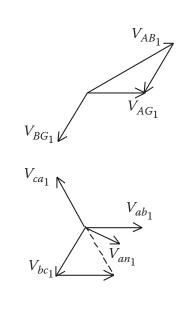
Secondary voltages

$$V_{ab} = V_{t,ab} - I_a z_{ab} = \frac{1}{n_t} V_{AN} - I_a z_{ab}$$

$$V_{bc} = V_{t,bc} + I_c z_{bc} = \frac{1}{n_t} V_{BN} + I_c z_{bc}$$

$$V_{ca} = -V_{ab} - V_{bc}$$

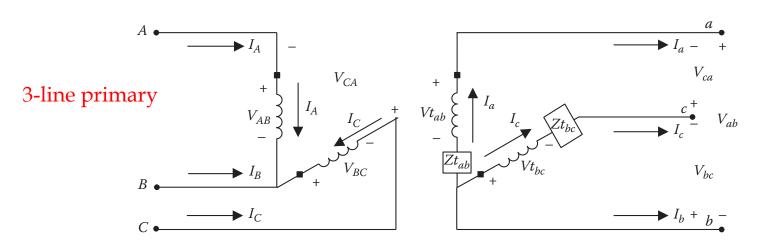




- Collecting in matrix form $\tilde{\mathbf{v}}_m = \frac{1}{n_t} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} \mathbf{v}_n + \begin{vmatrix} -z_{ab} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & z_{bc} \\ z_{ab} & 0 & -z_{bc} \end{vmatrix} \mathbf{i}_m$
- Forward model

$$\mathbf{v}_{m} = \mathbf{W}\tilde{\mathbf{v}}_{m} = \frac{1}{3n_{t}} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & -2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{v}_{n} - \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 2z_{ab} & 0 & -z_{bc} \\ -z_{ab} & 0 & -z_{bc} \\ -z_{ab} & 0 & 2z_{bc} \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{i}_{m}$$

9) Open Δ – open Δ connection

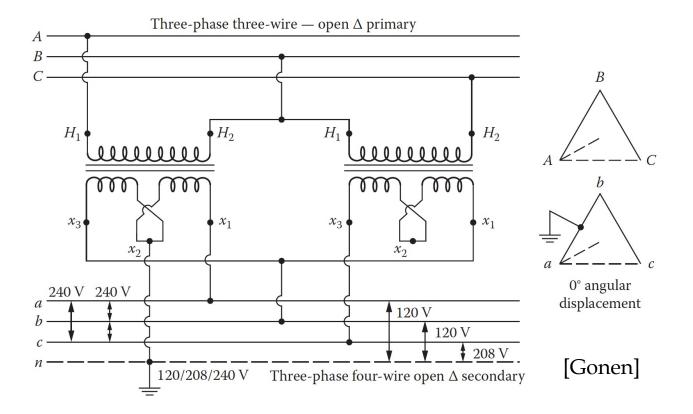


- Backward model $\mathbf{i}_n = \frac{1}{n_t} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{i}_m$
- Secondary LL voltages $V_{ab}=\frac{1}{n_t}V_{AB}-I_az_{ab}$ $V_{bc}=\frac{1}{n_t}V_{BC}-I_cz_{bc}$ $V_{ca}=-V_{ab}--V_{bc}$

Forward model

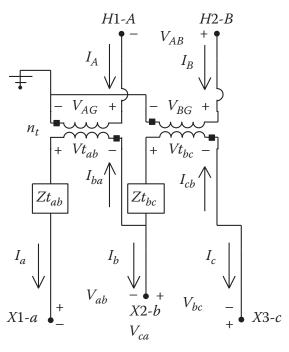
$$\mathbf{v}_m = \mathbf{W}\tilde{\mathbf{v}}_m = \frac{1}{n_t}\mathbf{W} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{D}_f \mathbf{v}_n - \mathbf{W} \begin{bmatrix} Z_{ab} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & Z_{bc} \\ -Z_{ab} & 0 & -Z_{bc} \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{i}_m$$

Discussion on open Δ or V connection

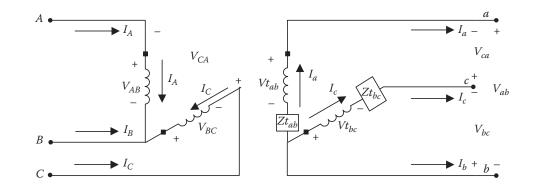


• Used in emergency or when load is expected to grow

Comparing two 'open' connections



- Both use two transformers and can serve 3φ loads
- One feeds from a 2φ primary; the other from a 3φ one



- Compare to the corresponding 3-tranformer bank:
 - LL voltages remain unchanged
 - line currents become phase (delta) currents
 - to comply with power rating, load has to be scaled down by $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} = 57.7\%$
- Hence, a bank with two transformers serves only 57.7% rather than 2/3=66.6% of the full-bank capacity