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Fault Analysis

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All Protection Engineers should have an understanding
TO:-

- Calculate Power System Currents and Voltages during Fault Conditions
- Check that Breaking Capacity of Switchgear is Not Exceeded
- Determine the Quantities which can be used by Relays to Distinguish Between Healthy (i.e. Loaded) and Fault Conditions
- Appreciate the Effect of the Method of Earthing on the Detection of Earth Faults
- Select the Best Relay Characteristics for Fault Detection
- Ensure that Load and Short Circuit Ratings of Plant are Not Exceeded
- Select Relay Settings for Fault Detection and Discrimination
- Understand Principles of Relay Operation
- Conduct Post Fault Analysis

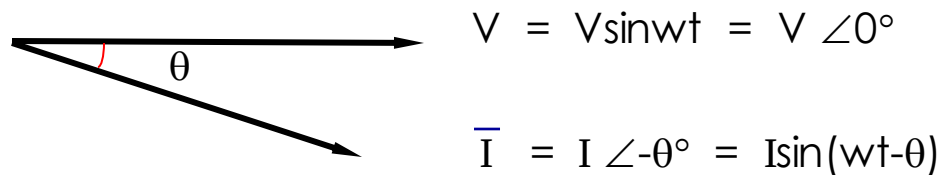
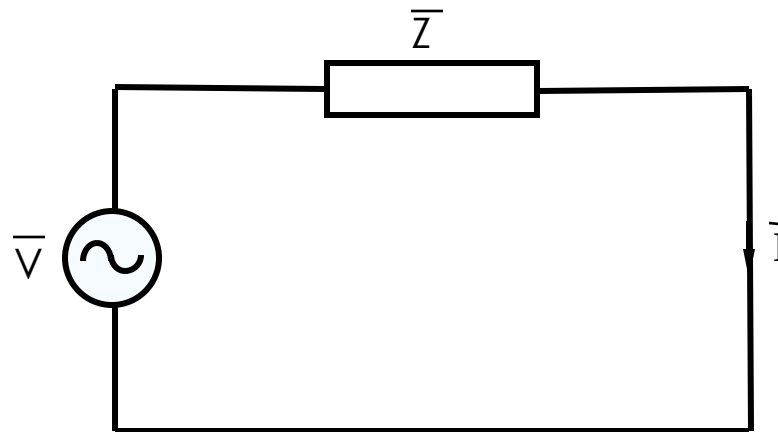
Power System Fault Analysis also used to :-

- ▶ **Consider Stability Conditions**
 - ◆ **Required fault clearance times**
 - ◆ **Need for 1 phase or 3 phase auto-reclose**

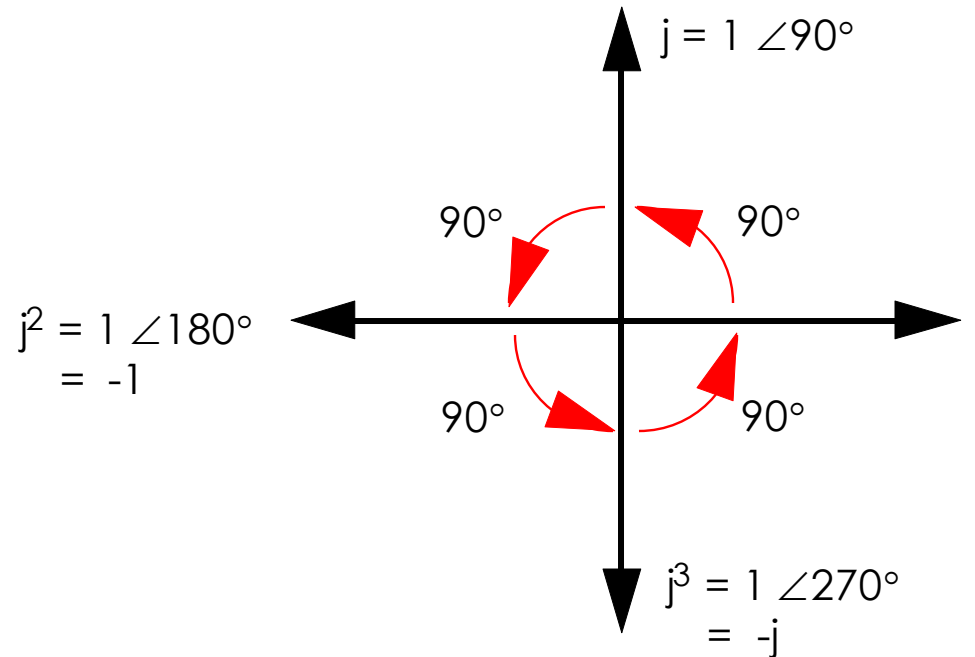
- ▶ **Widely available, particularly in large power utilities**
- ▶ **Powerful for large power systems**
- ▶ **Sometimes overcomplex for simple circuits**
- ▶ **Not always user friendly**
- ▶ **Sometimes operated by other departments and not directly available to protection engineers**
- ▶ **Programme calculation methods:- understanding is important**
- ▶ **Need for 'by hand' spot checks of calculations**

- ▶ **Adequate for the majority of simple applications**
- ▶ **Useful when no access is available to computers and programmes e.g. on site**
- ▶ **Useful for ‘spot checks’ on computer results**

Vector notation can be used to represent phase relationship between electrical quantities.



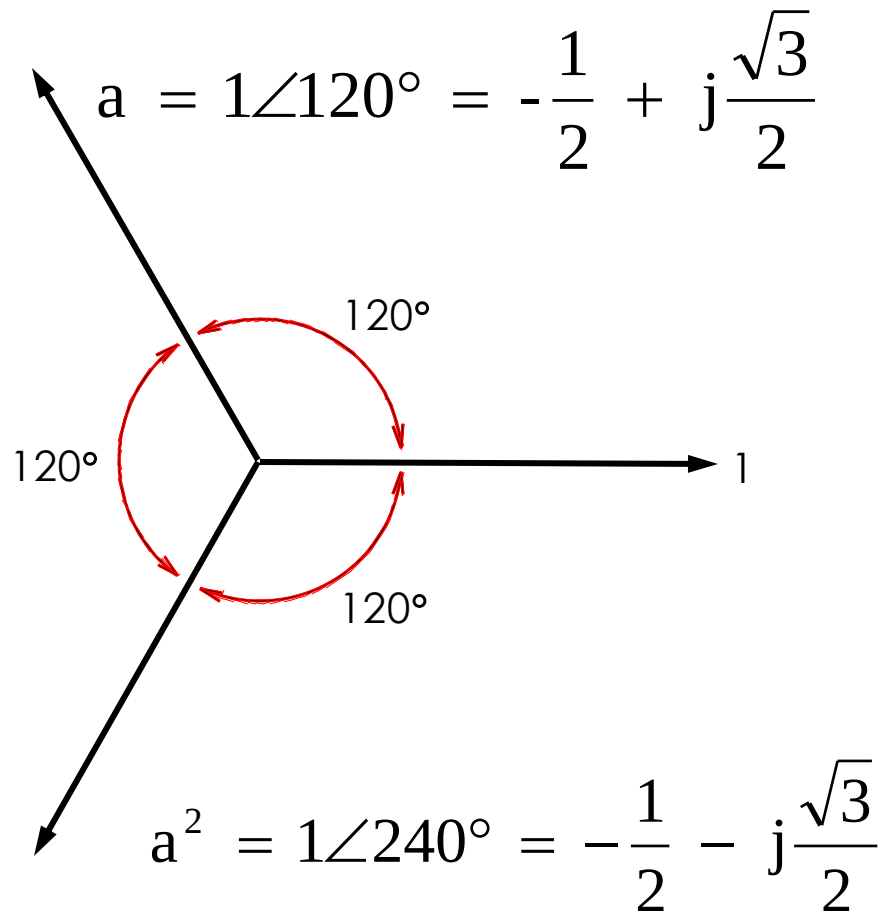
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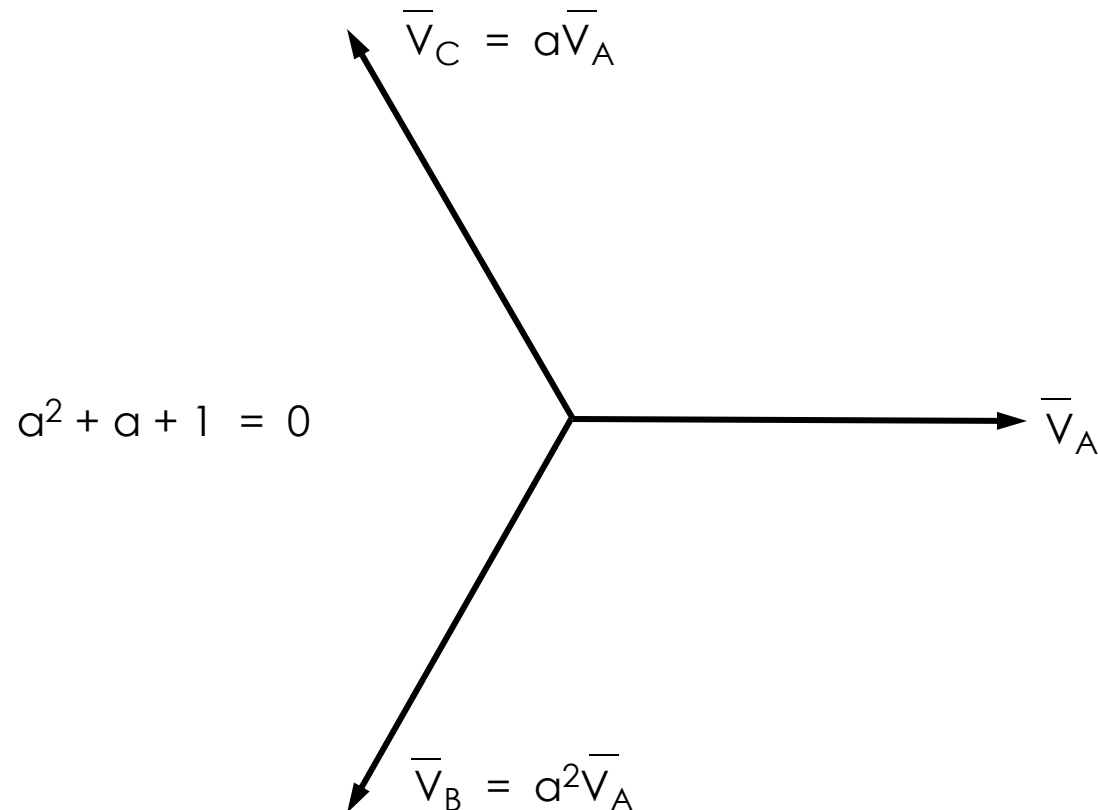
Used to express vectors in terms of “real” and “imaginary” parts.

Rotates vectors by 120° anticlockwise

Used extensively in “Symmetrical Component Analysis”



Balanced 3Ø voltages :-



Balanced Faults

- ▶ **RARE :- Majority of Faults are Unbalanced**
- ▶ **CAUSES :-**
 1. System Energisation with Maintenance Earthing Clamps still connected.
 2. 1Ø Faults developing into 3Ø Faults
- ▶ **3Ø FAULTS MAY BE REPRESENTED BY 1Ø CIRCUIT**

Valid because system is maintained in a **BALANCED** state during the fault

Voltages equal and 120° apart

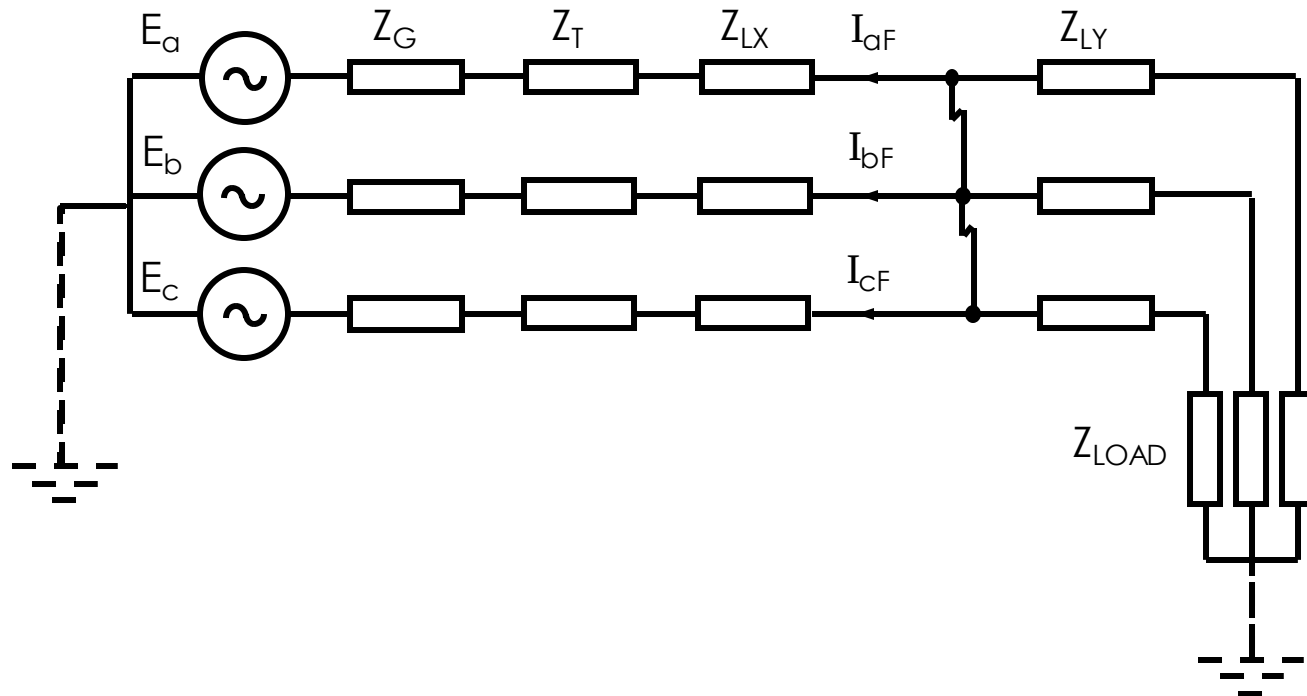
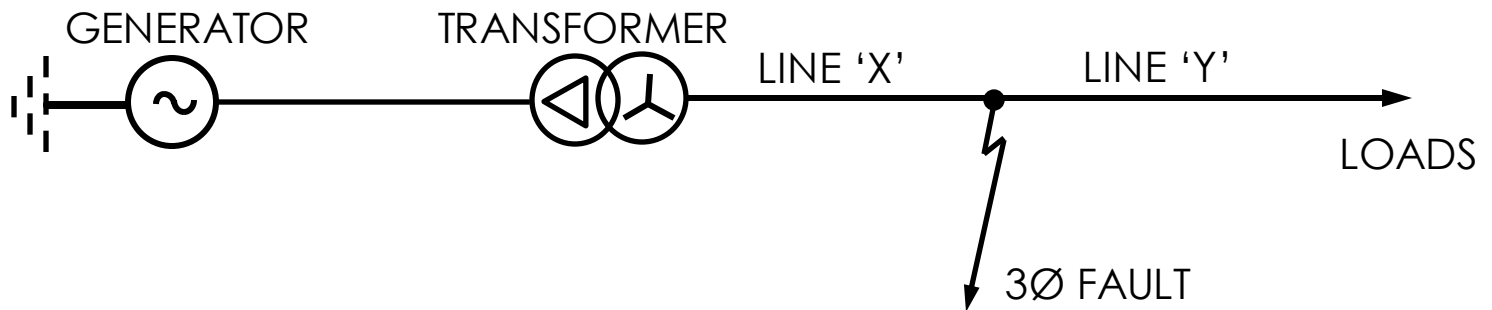
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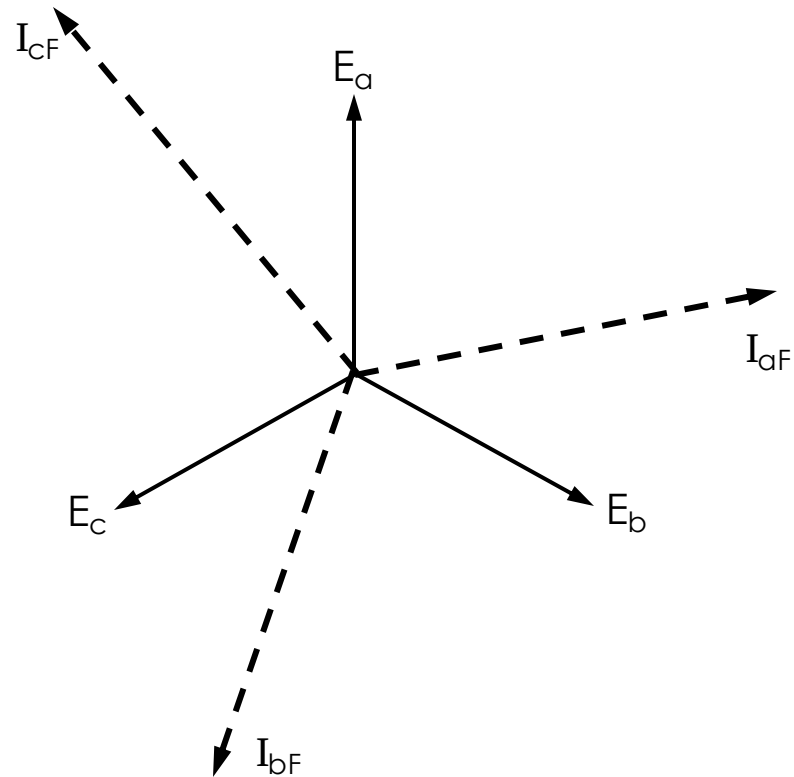
Power System Plant Symmetrical

Phase Impedances Equal

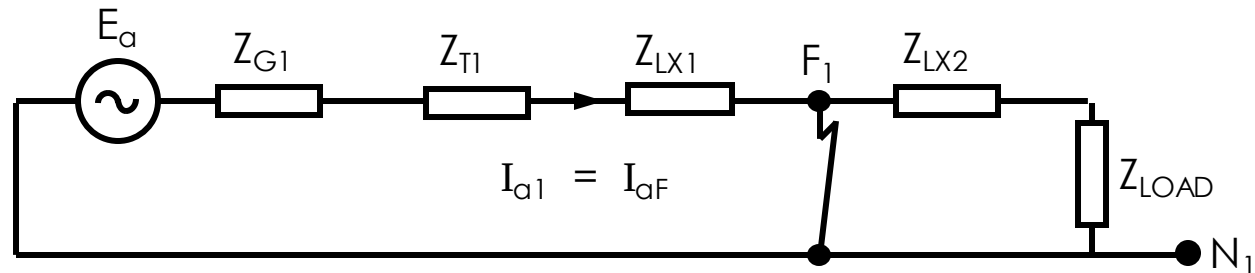
Mutual Impedances Equal

Shunt Admittances Equal



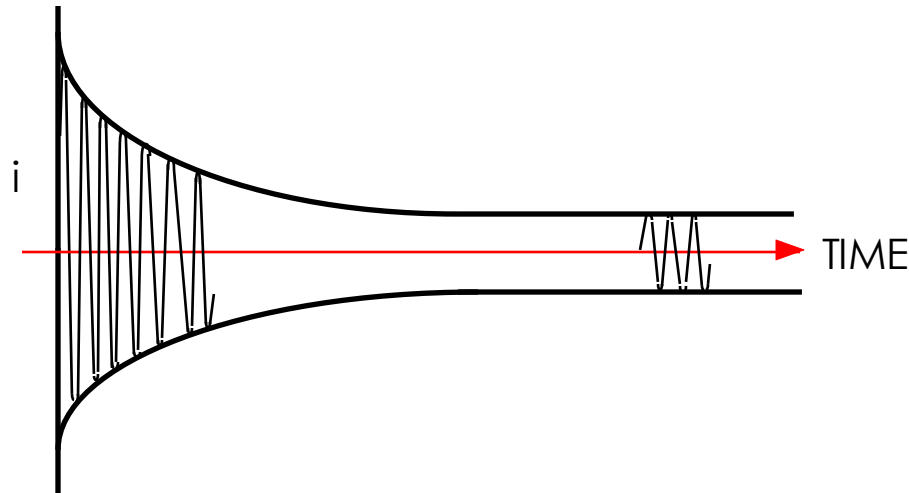


Positive Sequence (Single Phase) Circuit :-



Representation of Plant

The AC Symmetrical component of the short circuit current varies with time due to effect of armature reaction.



Magnitude (RMS) of current at any time t after instant of short circuit :

$$I_{ac} = (I'' - I)e^{-t/Td''} + (I' - I)e^{-t/Td'} + I$$

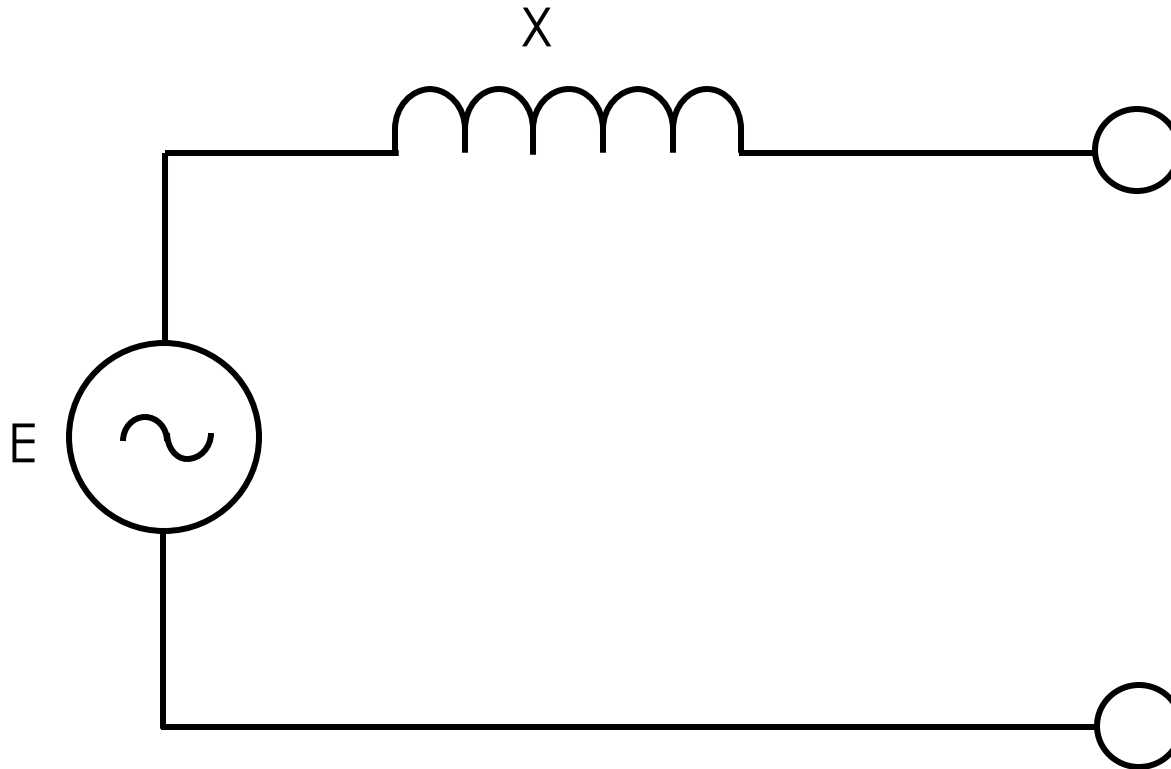
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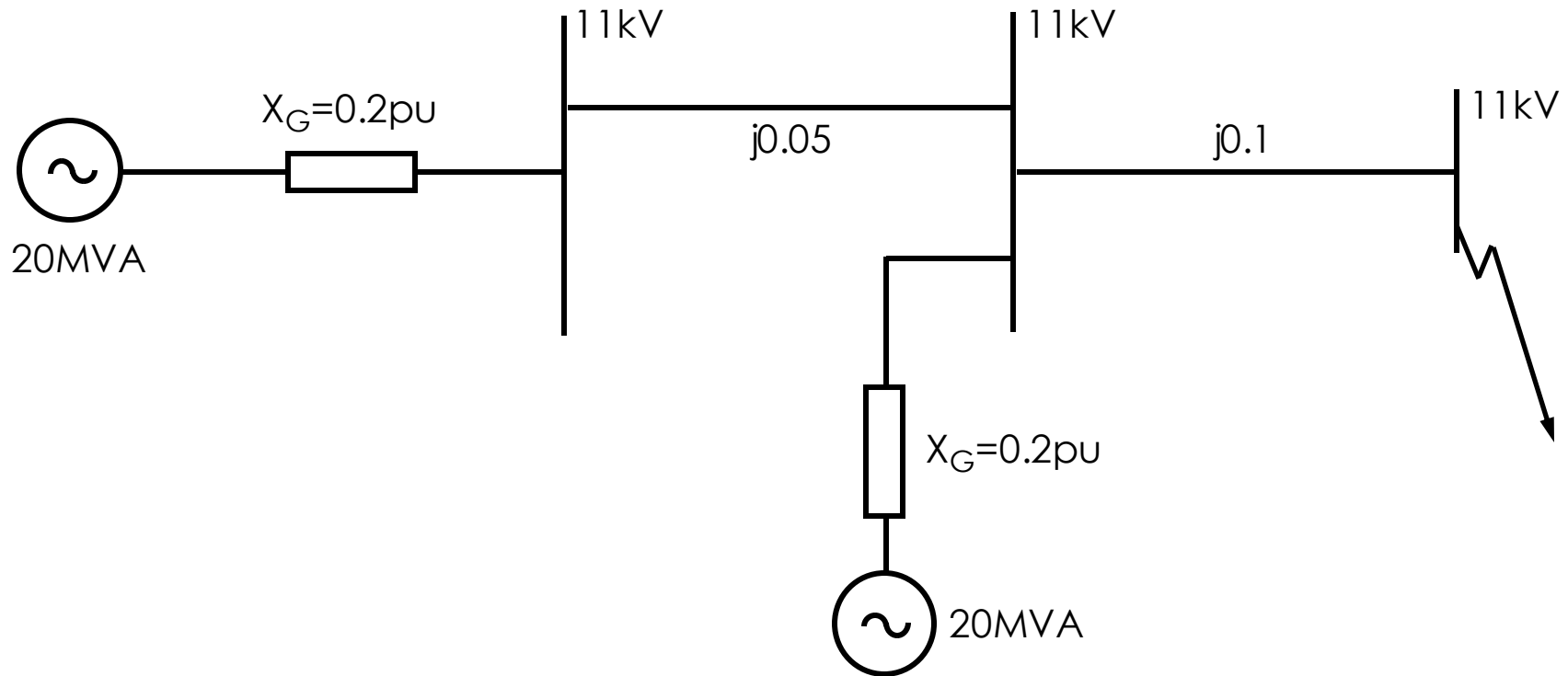
I'' = Initial Symmetrical S/C Current or Subtransient Current
 $= E/Xd'' \approx 50\text{ms}$

I' = Symmetrical Current a Few Cycles Later $\approx 0.5\text{s}$ or
 Transient Current $= E/Xd'$

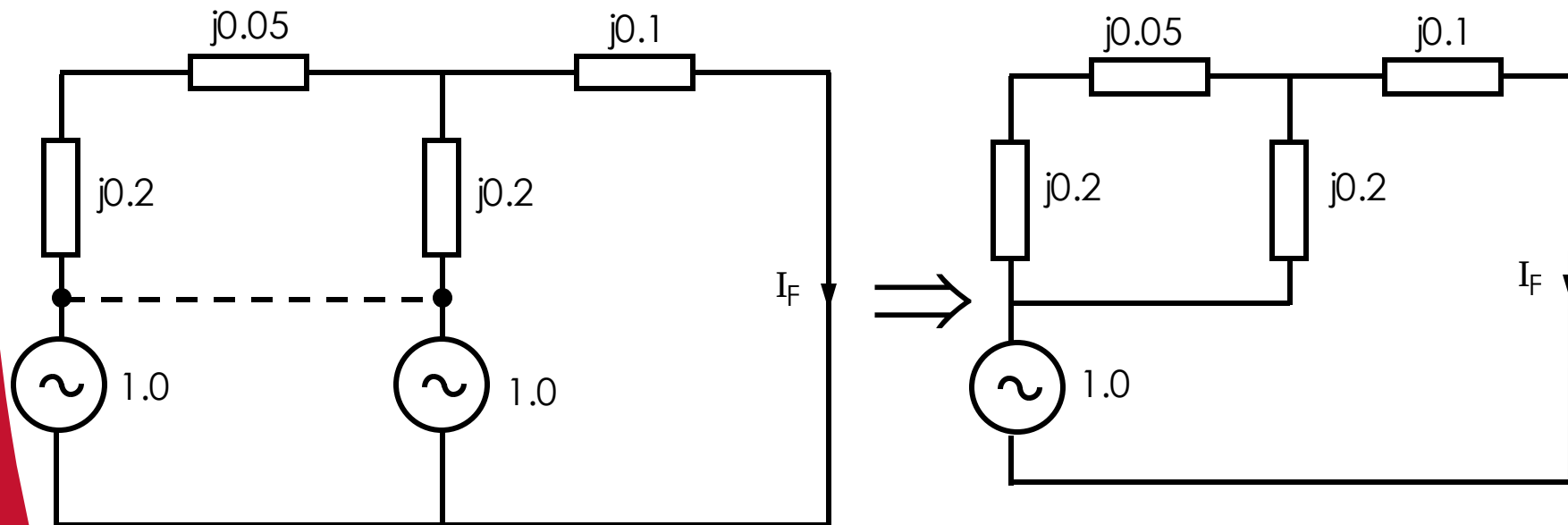
I = Symmetrical Steady State Current $= E/Xd$

Generator model X will vary with time. $X_d'' - X_d' - X_d$

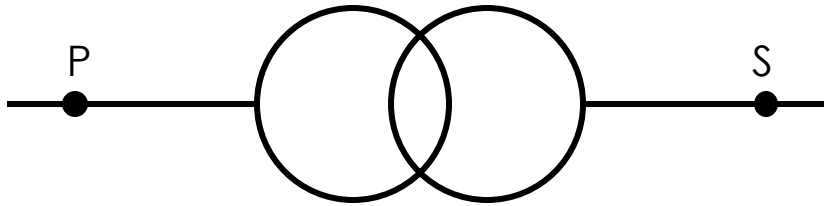




If both generator EMF's are equal $\therefore$ they can be thought of as resulting from the same ideal source - thus the circuit can be simplified.

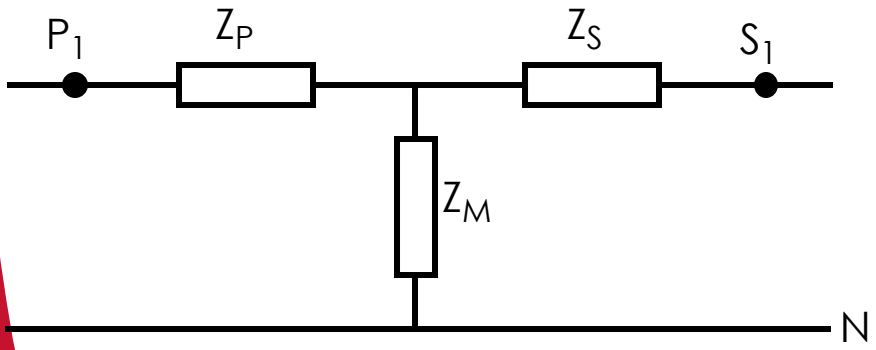


2 Winding Transformers



Z_P = Primary Leakage Reactance

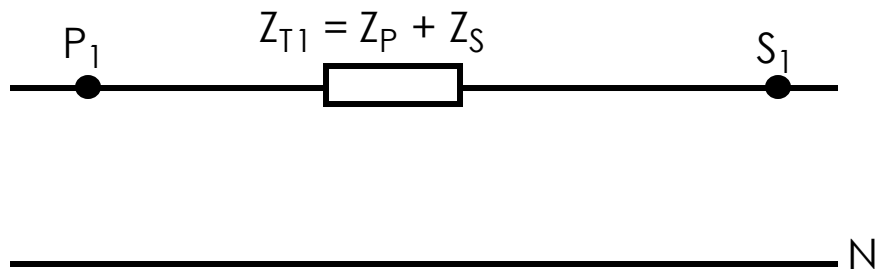
Z_S = Secondary Leakage Reactance



Z_M = Magnetising impedance
= Large compared with Z_P and Z_S

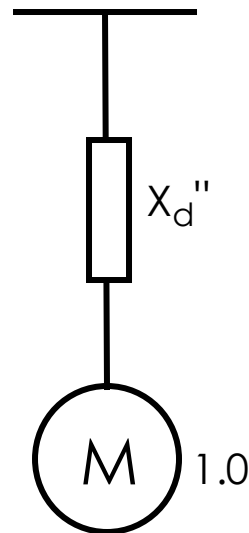
$Z_M \rightarrow$ Infinity $\therefore$ Represented by an Open Circuit

$Z_{T1} = Z_P + Z_S$ = Positive Sequence Impedance



Z_P and Z_S
both expressed
on same voltage
base.

- ▶ Fault current contribution decays with time
- ▶ Decay rate of the current depends on the system.
From tests, typical decay rate is 100 - 150mS.
- ▶ Typically modelled as a voltage behind an impedance



Small Motors

Motor load <35kW neglect

Motor load >35kW $SC_M = 4 \times \text{sum of } FLC_M$

Large Motors

$$SC_M \approx \frac{\text{motor full load amps}}{Xd''}$$

Approximation : $SC_M =$ locked rotor amps

$SC_M = 5 \times FLC_M \approx$ assumes motor impedance 20%

Large Synchronous Motors

$SC_M \approx 6.7 \times FLC_M$ for
1200 rpm

Assumes $X''_d = 15\%$

$\approx 5 \times FLC_M$ for
514 - 900 rpm

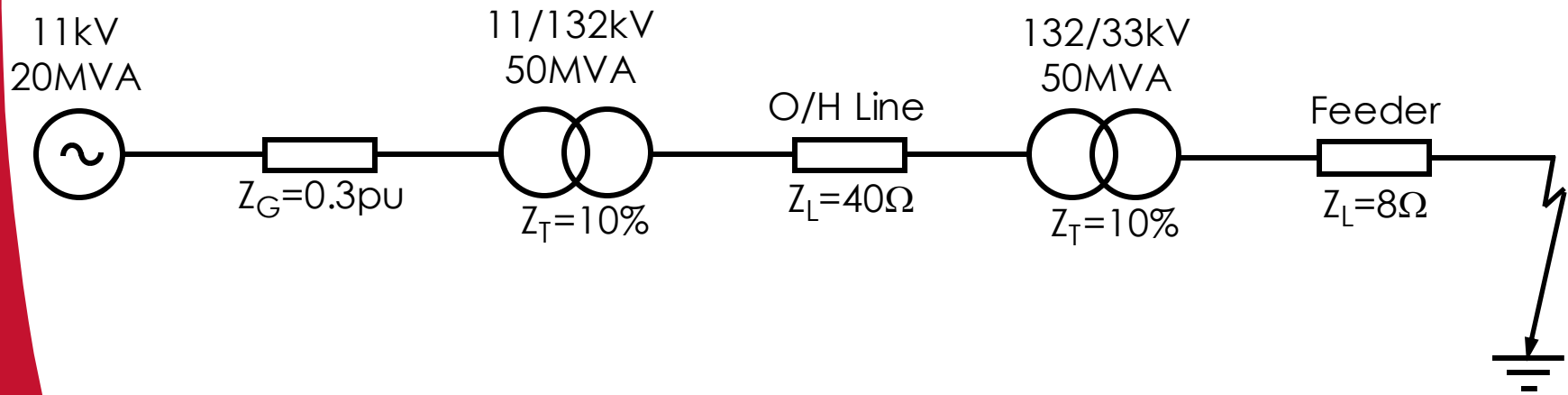
Assumes $X''_d = 20\%$

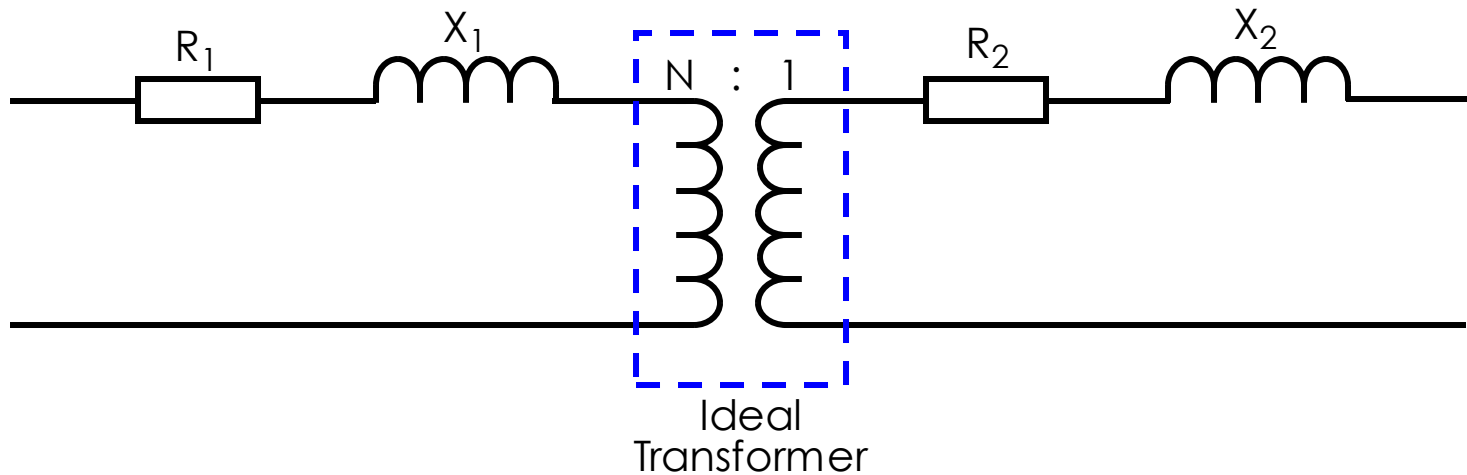
$\approx 3.6 \times FLC_M$ for
450 rpm or less

Assumes $X''_d = 28\%$

Analysis of Balanced Faults

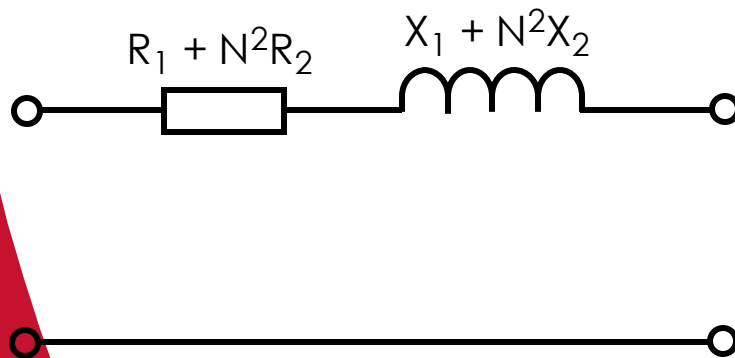
Different Voltages – How Do We Analyse?



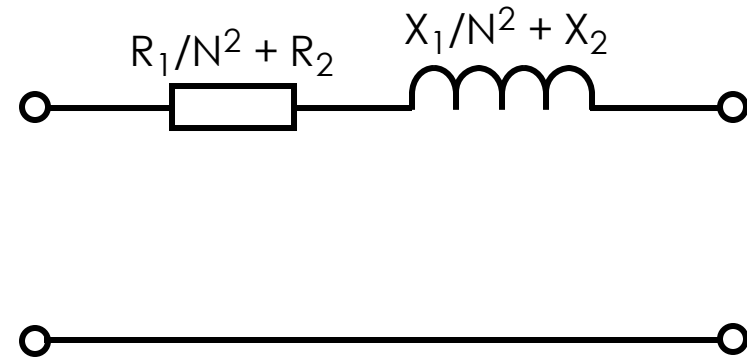


Consider the equivalent CCT referred to :-

Primary



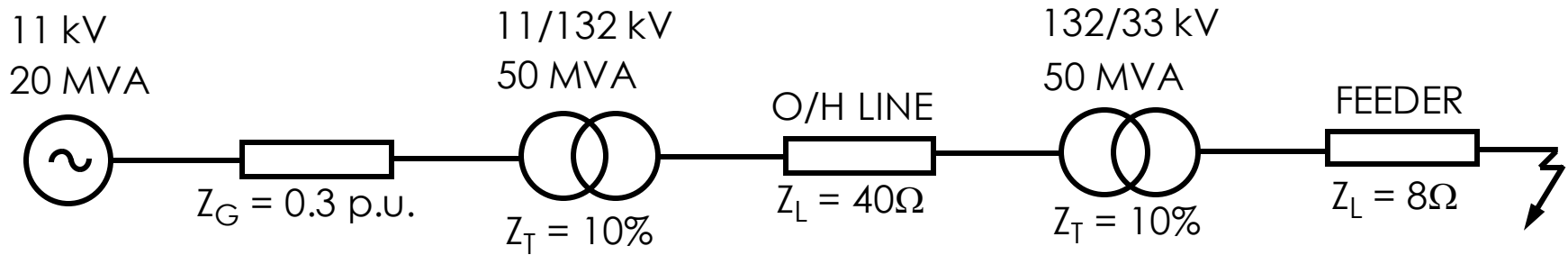
Secondary



Used to simplify calculations on systems with more than 2 voltages.

Definition

$$: \quad \text{P.U. Value of a Quantity} = \frac{\text{Actual Value}}{\text{Base Value in the Same Units}}$$



- ▶ Particularly useful when analysing large systems with several voltage levels
- ▶ All system parameters referred to common base quantities
- ▶ Base quantities fixed in one part of system
- ▶ Base quantities at other parts at different voltage levels depend on ratio of intervening transformers

Base quantities normally used :-

$$\text{BASE MVA} = \text{MVA}_b = 3\emptyset \text{ MVA}$$

Constant at all voltage levels

Value ~ MVA rating of largest item of plant or 100MVA

$$\text{BASE VOLTAGE} = \text{KV}_b = \emptyset/\emptyset \text{ voltage in kV}$$

Fixed in one part of system

This value is referred through transformers to obtain base voltages on other parts of system.

Base voltages on each side of transformer are in same ratio as voltage ratio.

Other base quantites :-

$$\text{Base Impedance} = Z_b = \frac{(kV_b)^2}{MVA_b} \text{ in Ohms}$$

$$\text{Base Current} = I_b = \frac{MVA_b}{\sqrt{3} \cdot kV_b} \text{ in kA}$$

Per Unit Values = $\frac{\text{Actual Value}}{\text{Base Value}}$

$$\text{Per Unit MVA} = \text{MVA}_{\text{p.u.}} = \frac{\text{MVA}_a}{\text{MVA}_b}$$

$$\text{Per Unit Voltage} = \text{kV}_{\text{p.u.}} = \frac{\text{kV}_a}{\text{kV}_b}$$

$$\text{Per Unit Impedance} = Z_{\text{p.u.}} = \frac{Z_a}{Z_b} = Z_a \cdot \frac{\text{MVA}_b}{(\text{kV}_b)^2}$$

$$\text{Per Unit Current} = I_{\text{p.u.}} = \frac{I_a}{I_b}$$

- ▶ If $Z_T = 5\%$

with Secondary S/C

$5\% V_{(RATED)}$ produces $I_{(RATED)}$ in Secondary.

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore V_{(RATED)} \text{ produces } \frac{100}{5} \times I_{(RATED)} \\ = 20 \times I_{(RATED)} \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ If Source Impedance $Z_S = 0$

Fault current = $20 \times I_{(RATED)}$

Fault Power = $20 \times \text{kVA}_{(RATED)}$

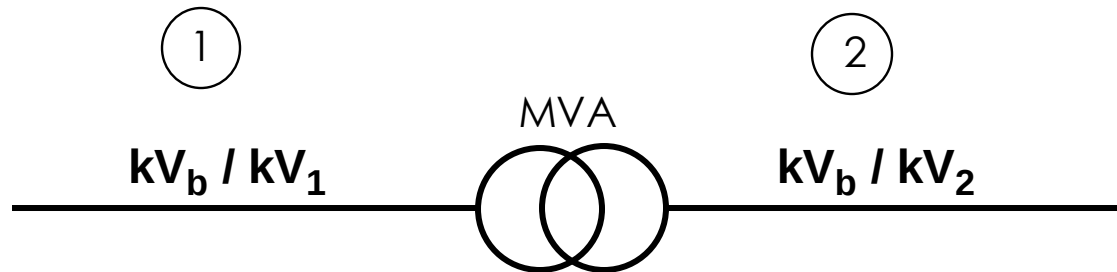
- ▶ Z_T is based on $I_{(RATED)}$ & $V_{(RATED)}$

i.e. Based on $\text{MVA}_{(RATED)}$ & $\text{kV}_{(RATED)}$

$\therefore$ is same value viewed from either side of transformer.

Per unit impedance of transformer is same on each side of the transformer.

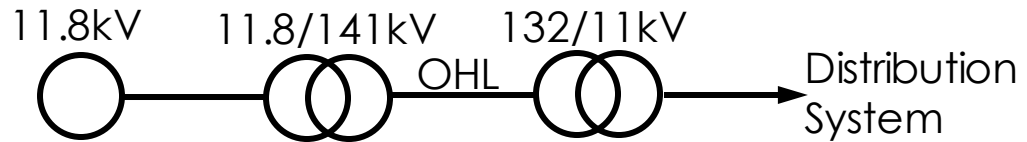
Consider transformer of ratio kV_1 / kV_2



Actual impedance of transformer viewed from side 1 = Z_{a1}

Actual impedance of transformer viewed from side 2 = Z_{a2}

Base voltage on each side of a transformer must be in the same ratio as voltage ratio of transformer.



**Incorrect selection
of kVb**

11.8kV

132kV

11kV

**Correct selection
of kVb**

$$\frac{132 \times 11.8}{141} = 11.05 \text{ kV}$$

132kV

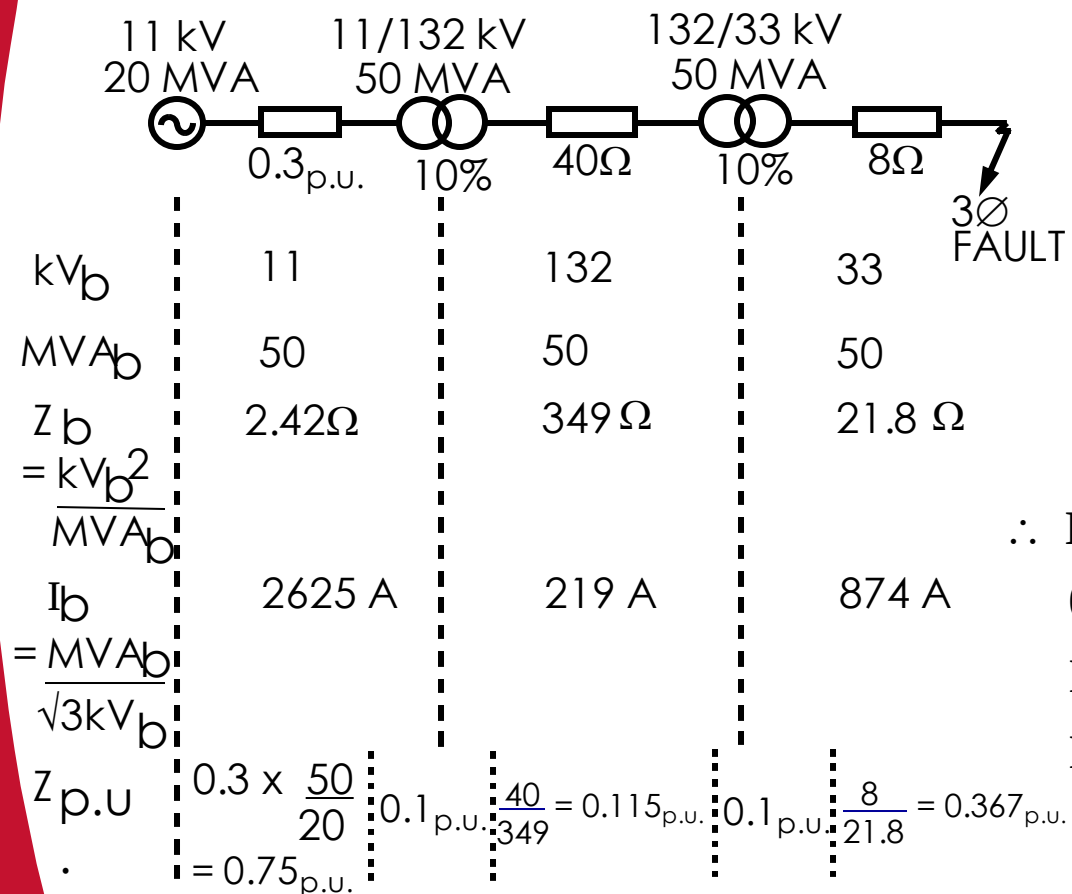
11kV

**Alternative correct
selection of kVb**

11.8kV

141kV

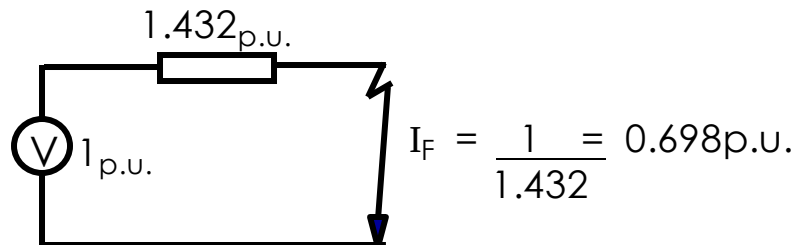
$$\frac{141 \times 11}{132} = 11.75 \text{ kV}$$



$$\therefore I_{11 \text{ kV}} = 0.698 \times I_b = 0.698 \times 2625 = 1833 \text{ A}$$

$$I_{132 \text{ kV}} = 0.698 \times 219 = 153 \text{ A}$$

$$I_{33 \text{ kV}} = 0.698 \times 874 = 610 \text{ A}$$



Line - Ground (65 - 70%)

Line - Line - Ground (10 - 20%)

Line - Line (10 - 15%)

Line - Line - Line (5%)

Statistics published in 1967 CEGB Report, but are similar today all over the world.

Unbalanced Faults

In three phase fault calculations, a single phase representation is adopted.

3 phase faults are rare.

Majority of faults are unbalanced faults.

UNBALANCED FAULTS may be classified into SHUNT FAULTS and SERIES FAULTS.

SHUNT FAULTS:

Line to Ground

Line to Line

Line to Line to Ground

SERIES FAULTS:

Single Phase Open Circuit

Double Phase Open Circuit

LINE TO GROUND

LINE TO LINE

LINE TO LINE TO GROUND

Causes :

- 1) Insulation Breakdown**
- 2) Lightning Discharges and other Overvoltages**
- 3) Mechanical Damage**

OPEN CIRCUIT OR SERIES FAULTS

Causes :

- 1) Broken Conductor**
- 2) Operation of Fuses**
- 3) Maloperation of Single Phase Circuit Breakers**

DURING UNBALANCED FAULTS, SYMMETRY OF SYSTEM IS LOST

∴ SINGLE PHASE REPRESENTATION IS NO LONGER VALID

Analysed using :-

- ▶ **Symmetrical Components**
- ▶ **Equivalent Sequence Networks of Power System**
- ▶ **Connection of Sequence Networks appropriate to Type of Fault**

Symmetrical Components

Fortescue discovered a property of unbalanced phasors
'n' phasors may be resolved into :-

- ▶ (n-1) sets of balanced n-phase systems of phasors, each set having a different phase sequence
- plus
- ▶ 1 set of zero phase sequence or unidirectional phasors

$$V_A = V_{A1} + V_{A2} + V_{A3} + V_{A4} - - - - - V_{A(n-1)} + V_{An}$$

$$V_B = V_{B1} + V_{B2} + V_{B3} + V_{B4} - - - - - V_{B(n-1)} + V_{Bn}$$

$$V_C = V_{C1} + V_{C2} + V_{C3} + V_{C4} - - - - - V_{C(n-1)} + V_{Cn}$$

$$V_D = V_{D1} + V_{D2} + V_{D3} + V_{D4} - - - - - V_{D(n-1)} + V_{Dn}$$

.....

$$V_n = \overbrace{V_{n1} + V_{n2} + V_{n3} + V_{n4} - - - - - V_{n(n-1)}}^{(n-1) \times \text{Balanced}} + \overbrace{V_{nn}}^{1 \times \text{Zero Sequence}}$$

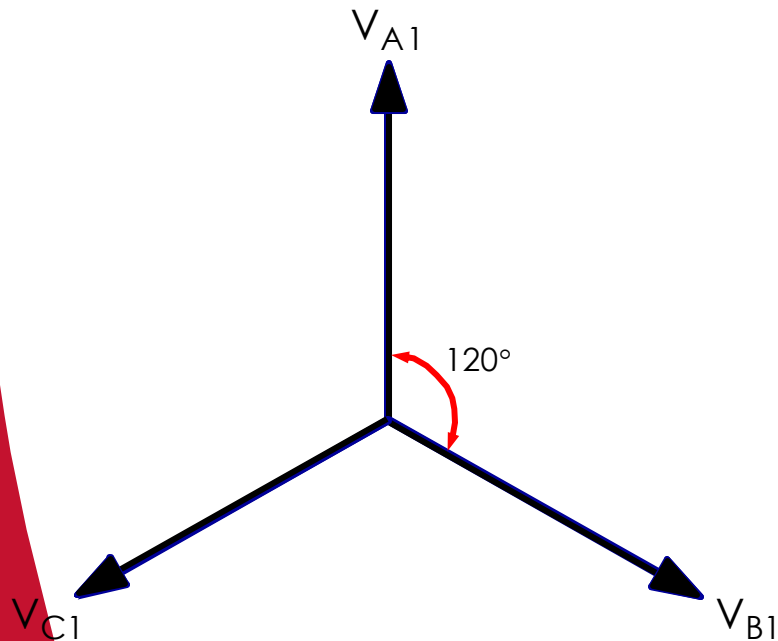
(n-1) x Balanced

1 x Zero
Sequence

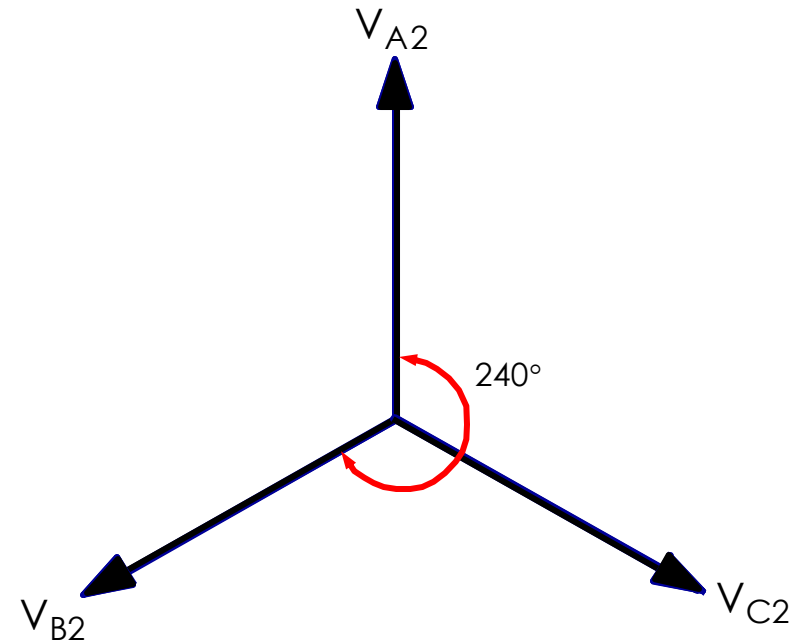
$$V_A = V_{A1} + V_{A2} + V_{A0}$$

$$V_B = V_{B1} + V_{B2} + V_{B0}$$

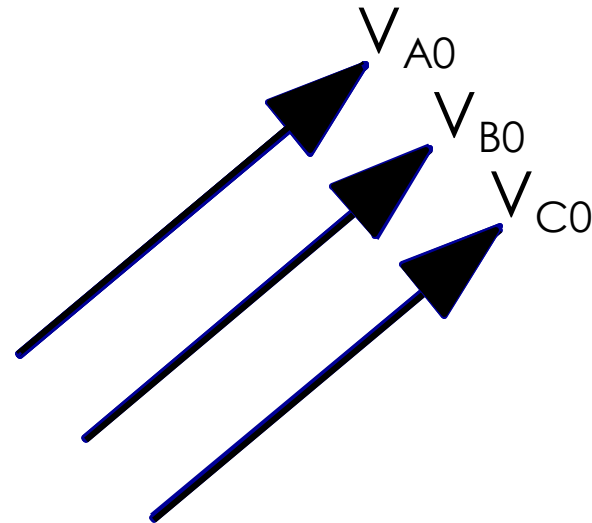
$$V_C = V_{C1} + V_{C2} + V_{C0}$$



Positive Sequence

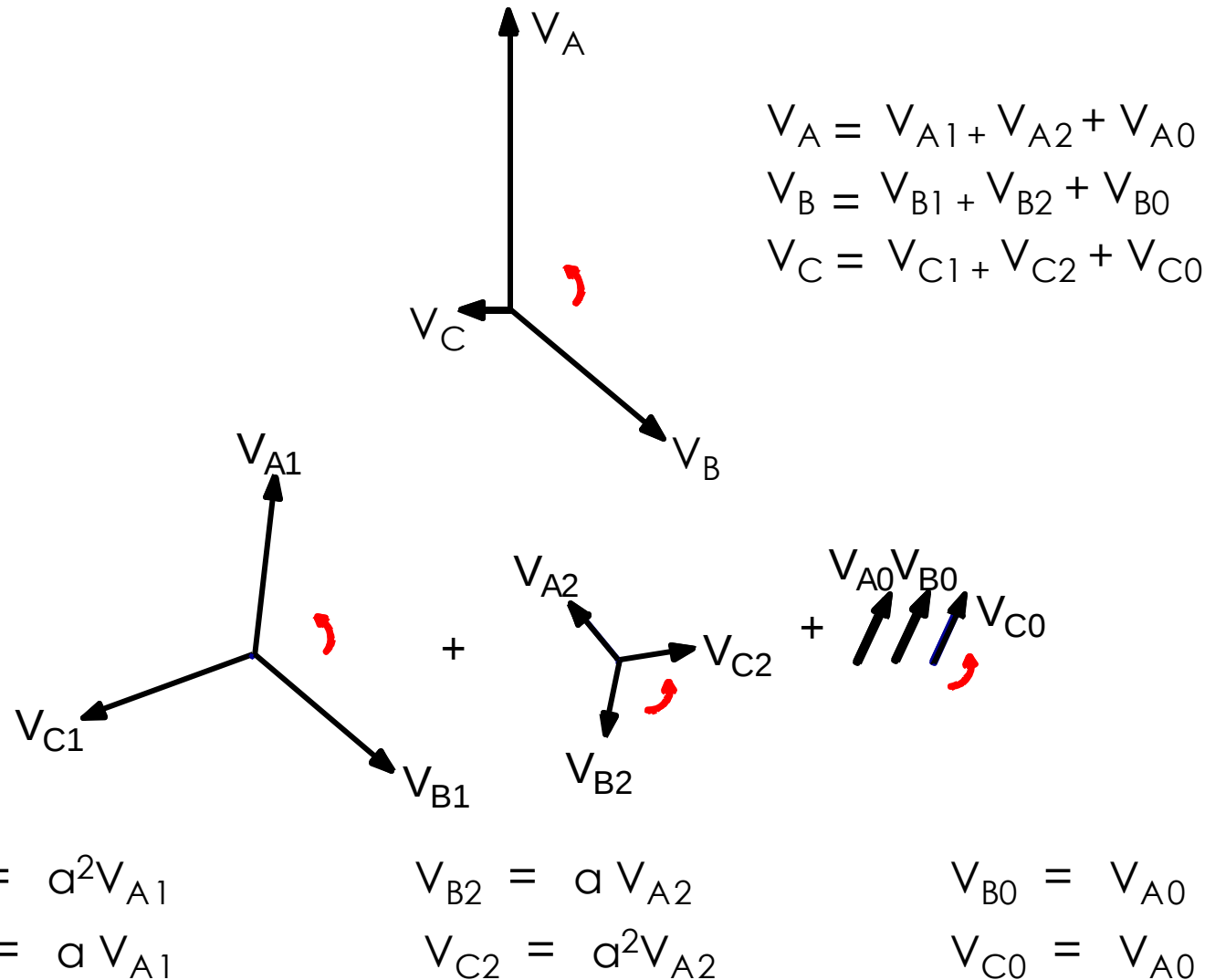


Negative Sequence



Zero Sequence

Phase $\equiv$ Positive + Negative + Zero

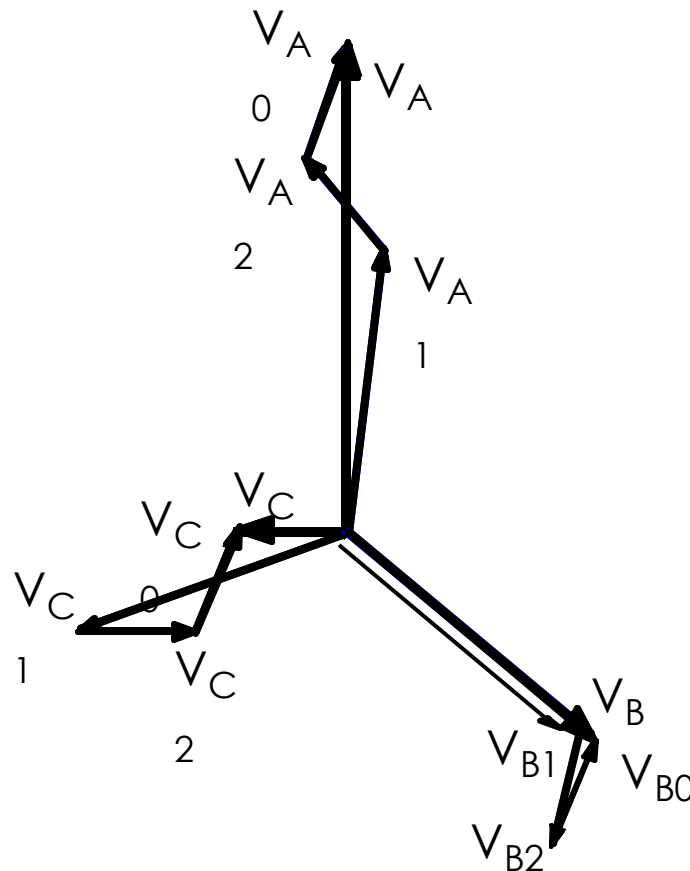


Converting from Sequence Components to Phase Values

$$V_A = V_{A1} + V_{A2} + V_{A0}$$

$$V_B = V_{B1} + V_{B2} + V_{B0} = a^2 V_{A1} + a V_{A2} + V_{A0}$$

$$V_C = V_{C1} + V_{C2} + V_{C0} = a V_{A1} + a^2 V_{A2} + V_{A0}$$

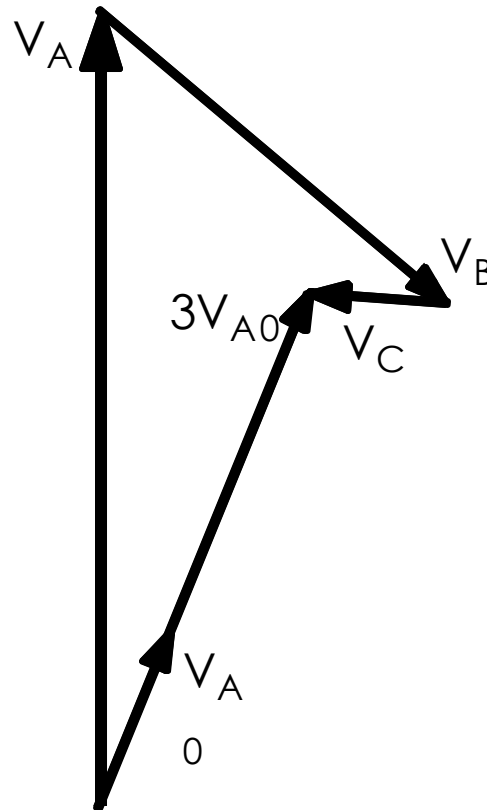


Converting from Phase Values to Sequence Components

$$V_{A1} = 1/3 \{V_A + a V_B + a^2 V_C\}$$

$$V_{A2} = 1/3 \{V_A + a^2 V_B + a V_C\}$$

$$V_{A0} = 1/3 \{V_A + V_B + V_C\}$$



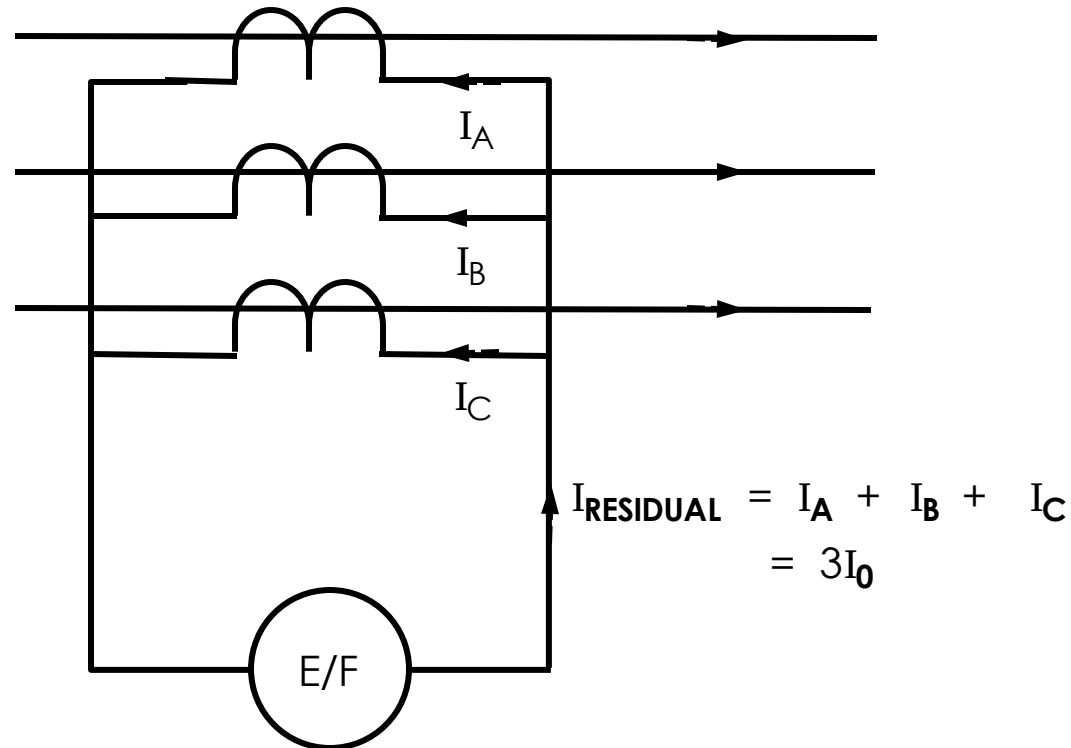
$$\begin{aligned} V_A &= V_{A1} + V_{A2} + V_{A0} \\ V_B &= \alpha^2 V_{A1} + \alpha V_{A2} + V_{A0} \\ V_C &= \alpha V_{A1} + \alpha^2 V_{A2} + V_{A0} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} I_A &= I_{A1} + I_{A2} + I_{A0} \\ I_B &= \alpha^2 I_{A1} + \alpha I_{A2} + I_{A0} \\ I_C &= \alpha I_{A1} + \alpha^2 I_{A2} + I_{A0} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} V_{A1} &= 1/3 \{ V_A + \alpha V_B + \alpha^2 V_C \} \\ V_{A2} &= 1/3 \{ V_A + \alpha^2 V_B + \alpha V_C \} \\ V_{A0} &= 1/3 \{ V_A + V_B + V_C \} \end{aligned}$$

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Used to detect earth faults



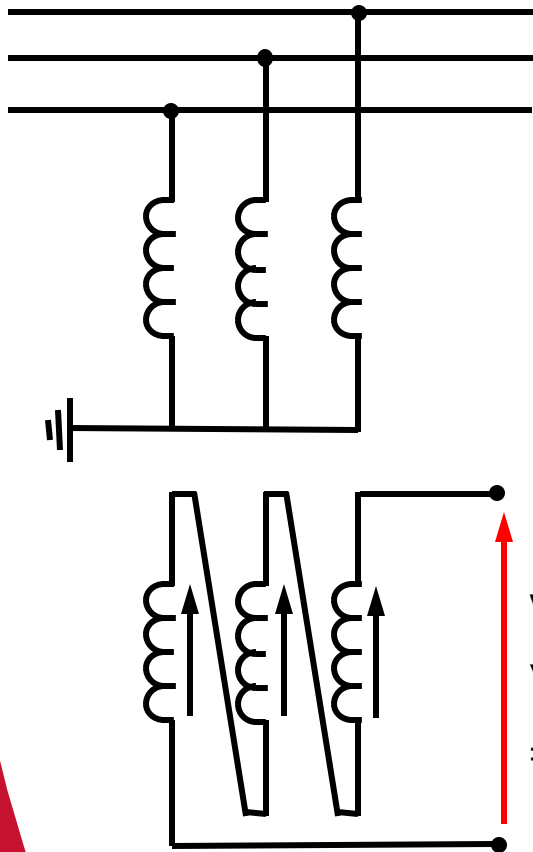
I_{RESIDUAL} is zero for :-

Balanced Load
3 $\emptyset$ Faults
 $\emptyset/\emptyset$ Faults

I_{RESIDUAL} is present for :-

$\emptyset/\text{E}$ Faults
 $\emptyset/\emptyset/\text{E}$ Faults
Open circuits (with current in remaining phases)

Used to detect earth faults



$$V_{\text{RESIDUAL}} = V_A + V_B + V_C = 3V_0$$

Residual voltage is measured from “Open Delta” or “Broken Delta” VT secondary windings.

V_{RESIDUAL} is zero for:-

Healthy unfaulted systems

3 $\emptyset$ Faults

$\emptyset/\emptyset$ Faults

V_{RESIDUAL} is present for:-

$\emptyset/E$ Faults

$\emptyset/\emptyset/E$ Faults

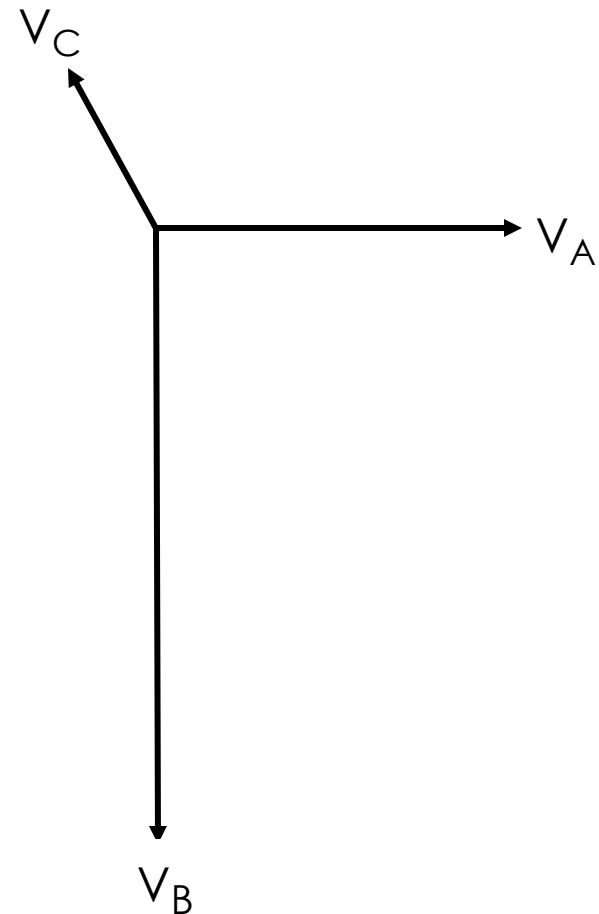
Open Circuits (on supply side of VT)

Evaluate the positive, negative and zero sequence components for the unbalanced phase vectors :

$$V_A = 1 \angle 0^\circ$$

$$V_B = 1.5 \angle -90^\circ$$

$$V_C = 0.5 \angle 120^\circ$$

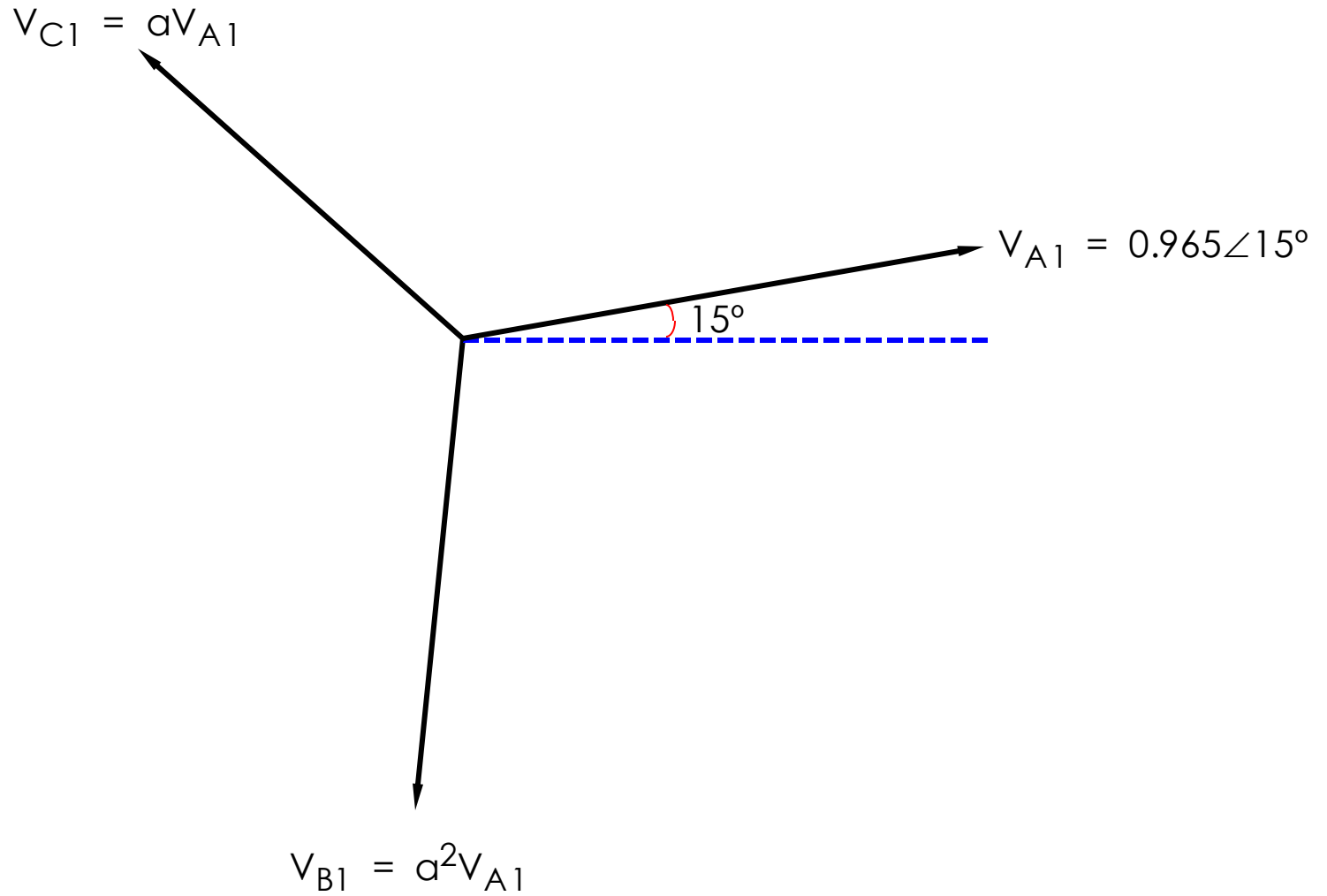


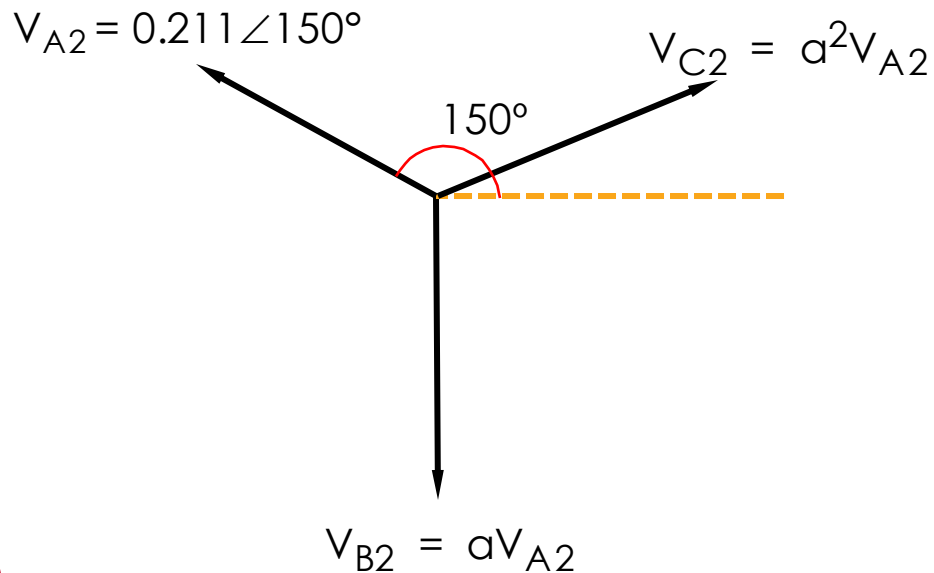
$$\begin{aligned}
 V_{A1} &= 1/3 (V_A + aV_B + a^2V_C) \\
 &= 1/3 [1 + (1 \angle 120) (1.5 \angle -90) \\
 &\quad + (1 \angle 240) (0.5 \angle 120)] \\
 &= 0.965 \angle 15
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 V_{A2} &= 1/3 (V_A + a^2V_B + aV_C) \\
 &= 1/3 [1 + (1 \angle 240) (1.5 \angle -90) \\
 &\quad + (1 \angle 120) (0.5 \angle 120)] \\
 &= 0.211 \angle 150
 \end{aligned}$$

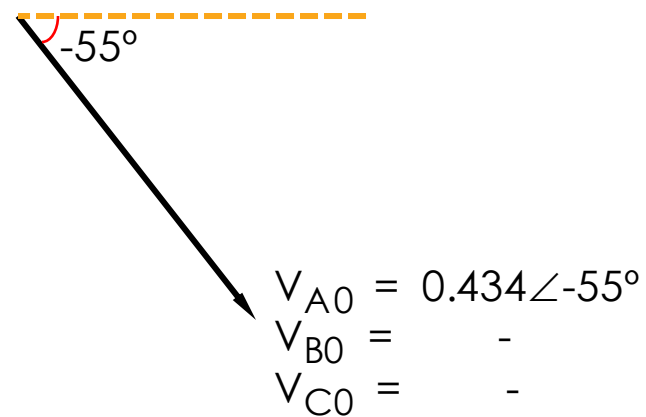
$$\begin{aligned}
 V_{A0} &= 1/3 (V_A + V_B + V_C) \\
 &= 1/3 (1 + 1.5 \angle -90 + 0.5 \angle 120) \\
 &= 0.434 \angle -55
 \end{aligned}$$

Positive Sequence Voltages

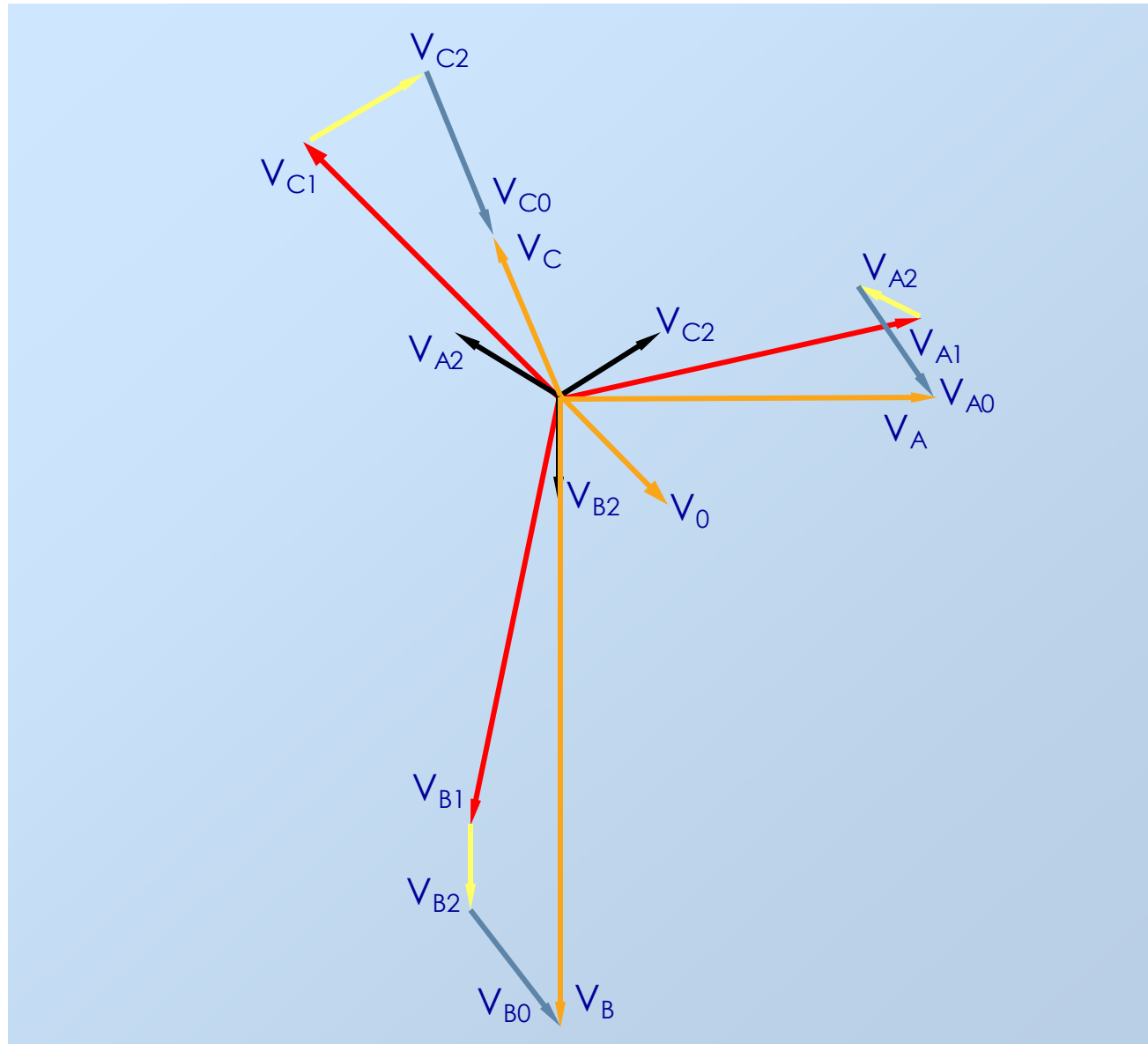




Negative Sequence Voltages



Zero Sequence Voltages



Evaluate the phase quantities I_a , I_b and I_c from the sequence components

$$I_{A1} = 0.6 \angle 0$$

$$I_{A2} = -0.4 \angle 0$$

$$I_{A0} = -0.2 \angle 0$$

Solution

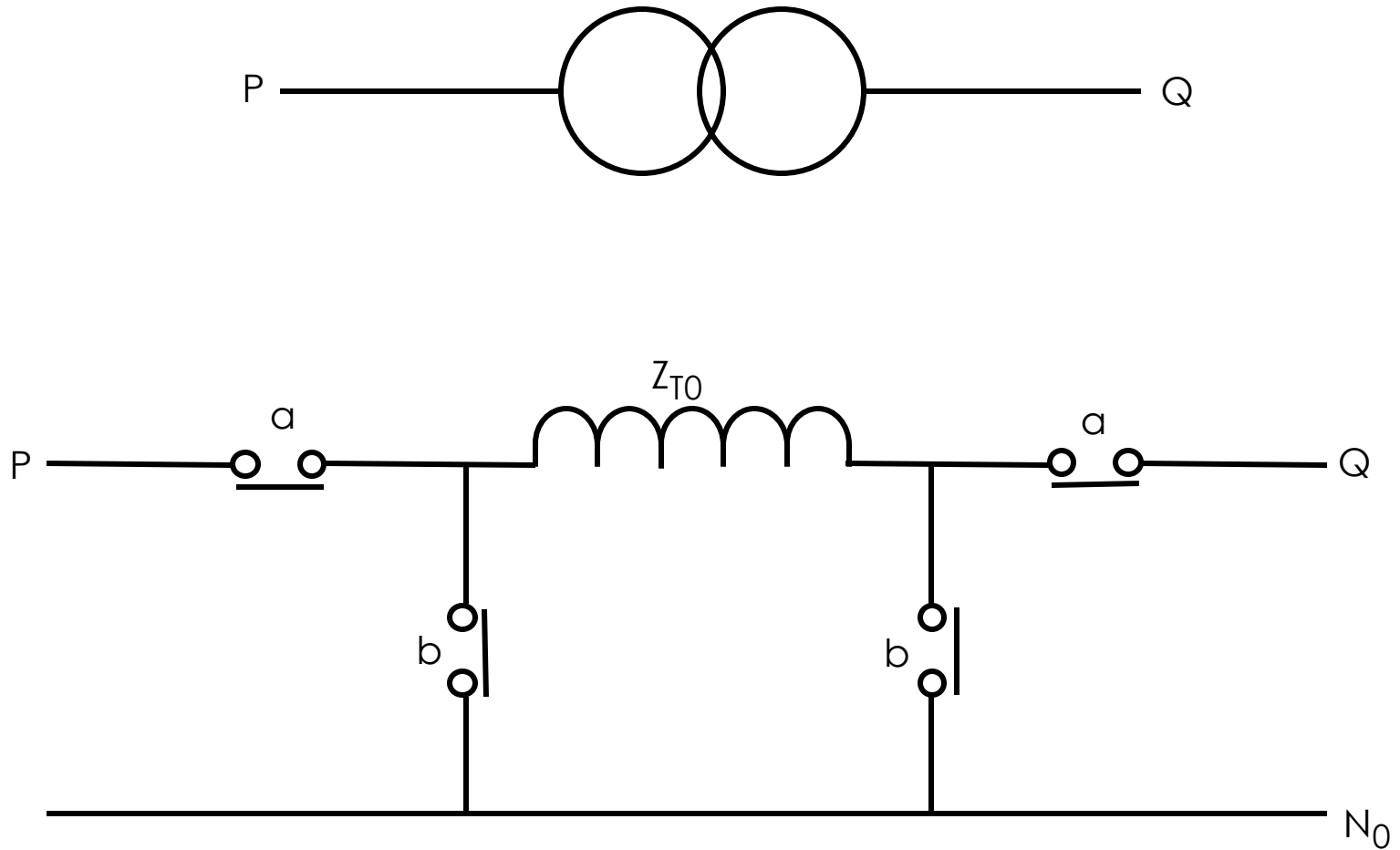
$$I_A = I_{A1} + I_{A2} + I_{A0} = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} I_B &= \alpha^2 I_{A1} + \alpha I_{A2} + I_{A0} \\ &= 0.6 \angle 240 - 0.4 \angle 120 - 0.2 \angle 0 = 0.91 \angle -109 \end{aligned}$$

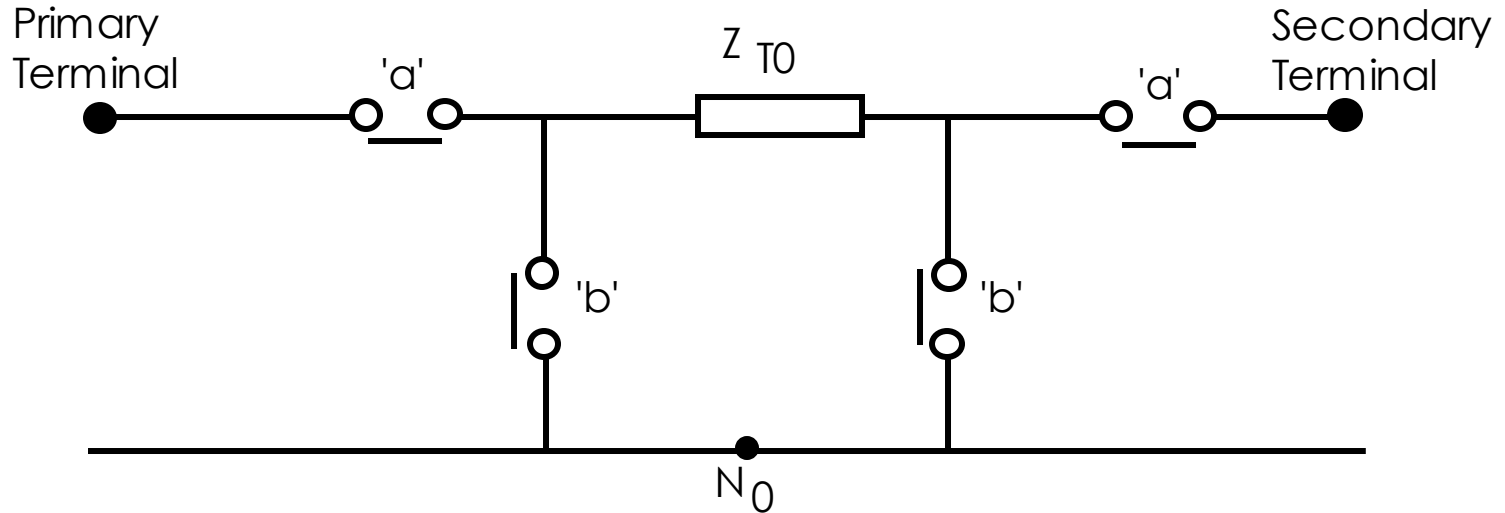
$$\begin{aligned} I_C &= \alpha I_{A1} + \alpha^2 I_{A2} + I_{A0} \\ &= 0.6 \angle 120 - 0.4 \angle 240 - 0.2 \angle 0 = 0.91 \angle -109 \end{aligned}$$

Representation of Plant Cont...

Transformer Zero Sequence Impedance



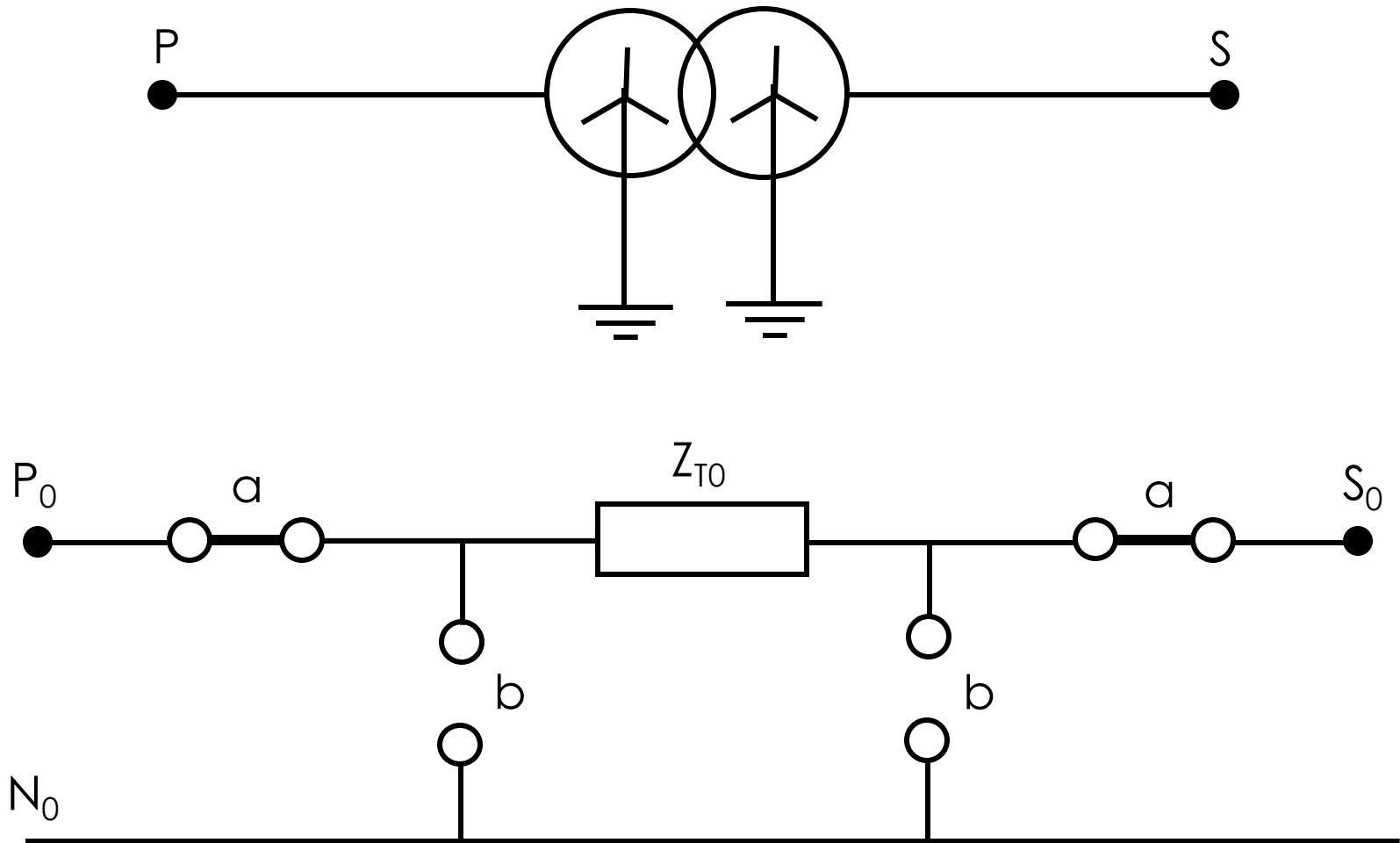
General Zero Sequence Equivalent Circuit for Two Winding Transformer



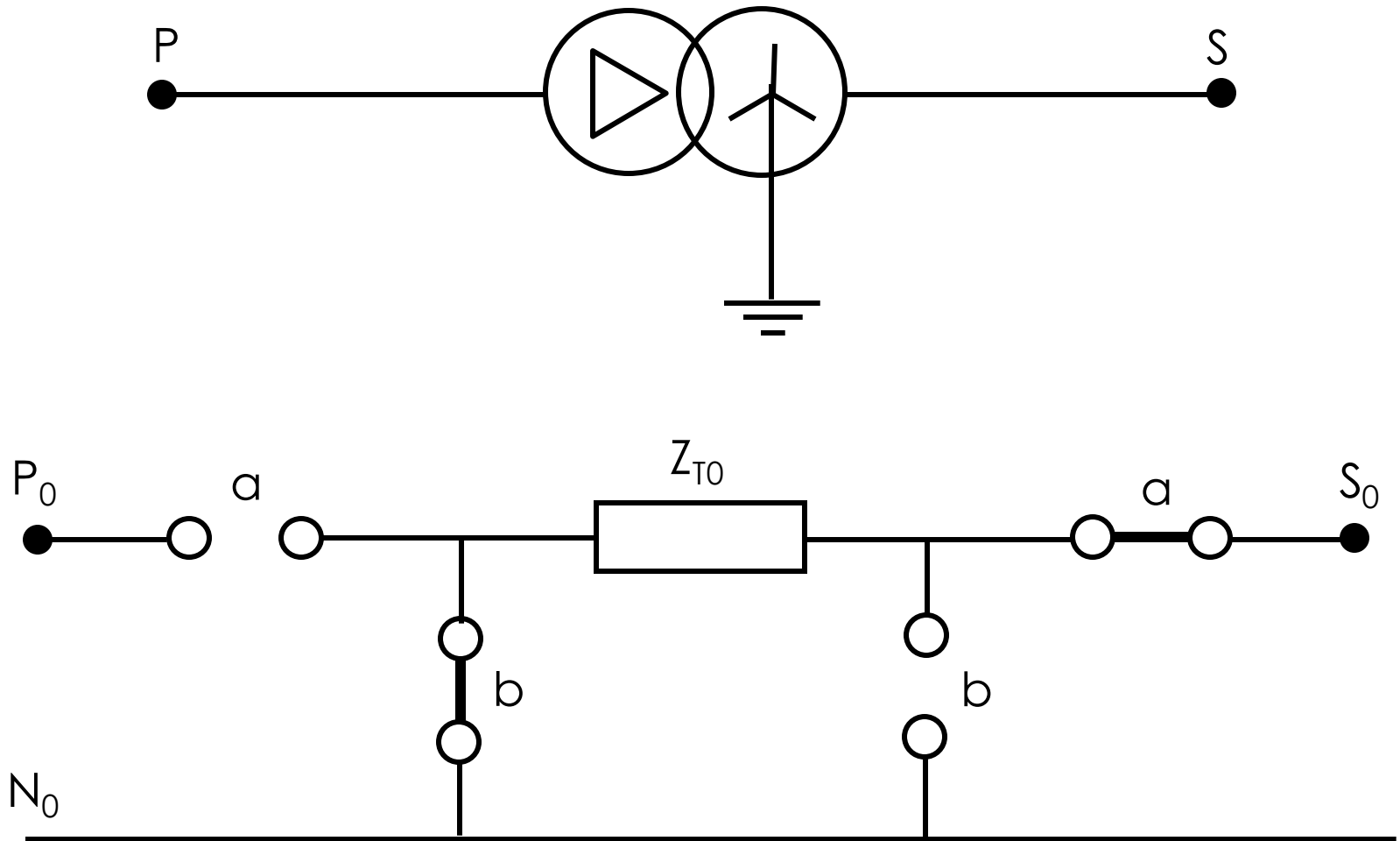
On appropriate side of transformer :

Earthed Star Winding	-	Close link 'a' Open link 'b'
Delta Winding	-	Open link 'a' Close link 'b'
Unearthed Star Winding	-	Both links open

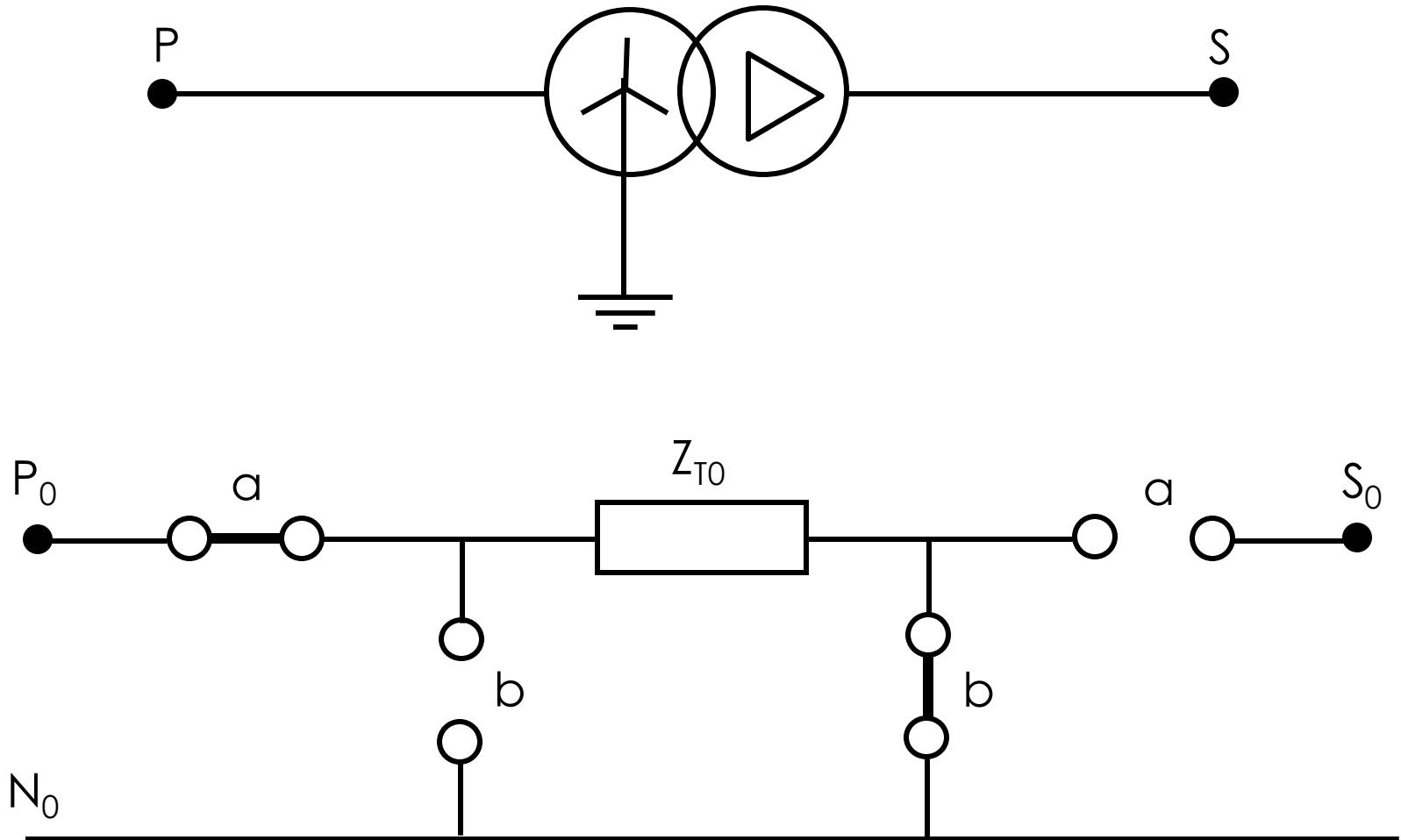
Zero Sequence Equivalent Circuits (1)



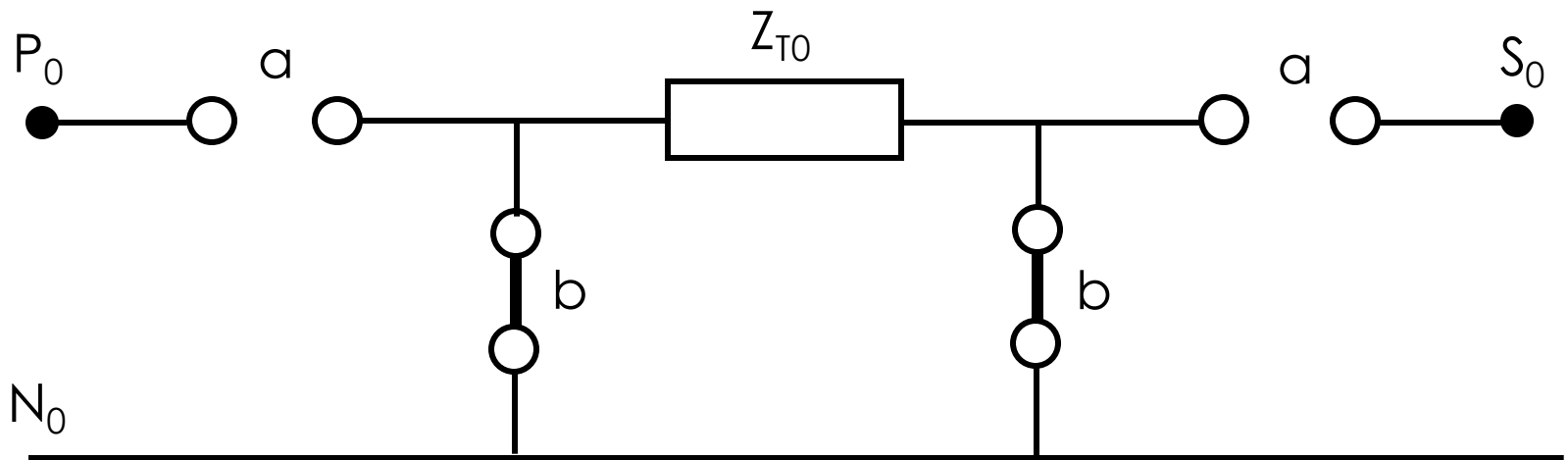
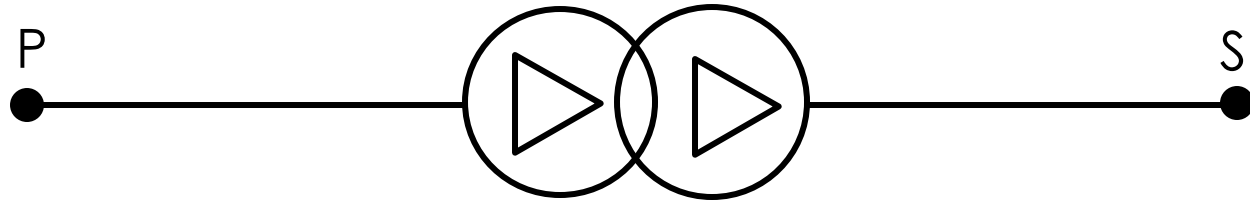
Zero Sequence Equivalent Circuits (2)

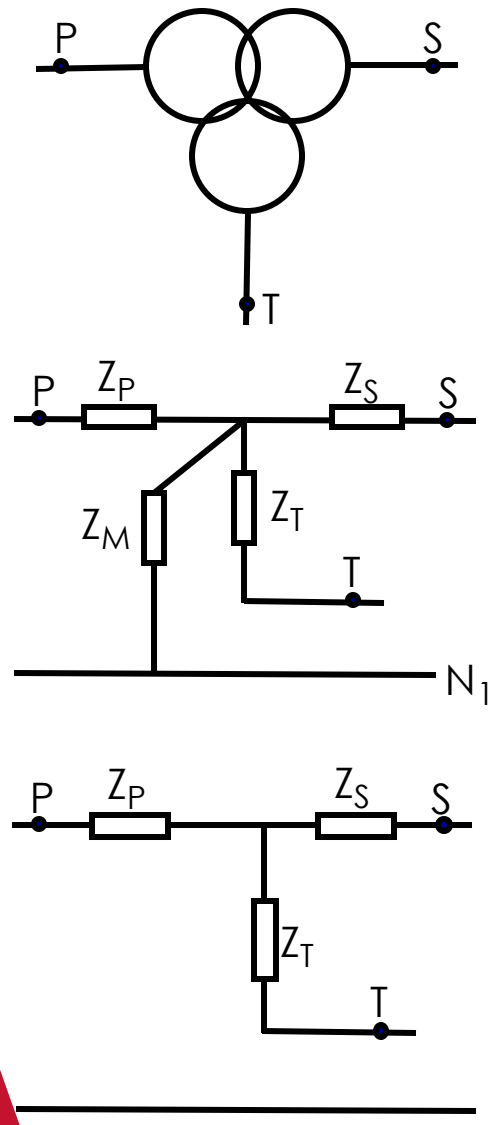


Zero Sequence Equivalent Circuits (3)



Zero Sequence Equivalent Circuits (4)



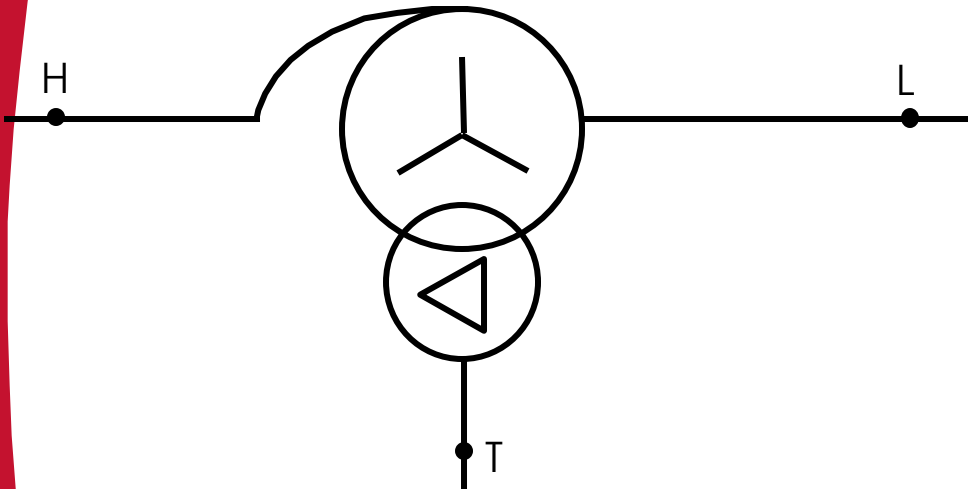


Z_P , Z_S , Z_T = Leakage reactances of Primary, Secondary and Tertiary Windings

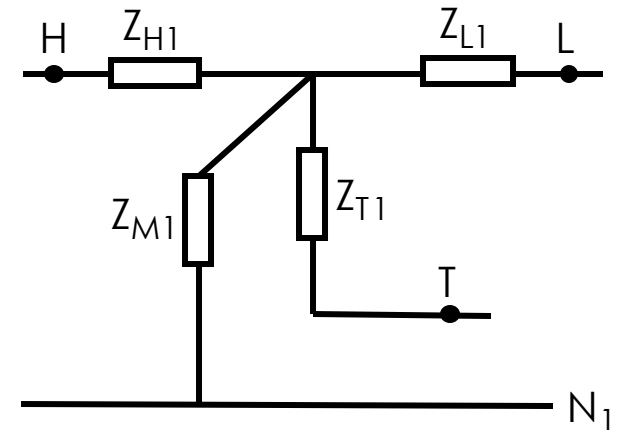
Z_M = Magnetising Impedance = Large
 $\therefore$ Ignored

$Z_{P-S} = Z_P + Z_S$ = Impedance between Primary (P) and Secondary (S) where Z_P & Z_S are both expressed on same voltage base

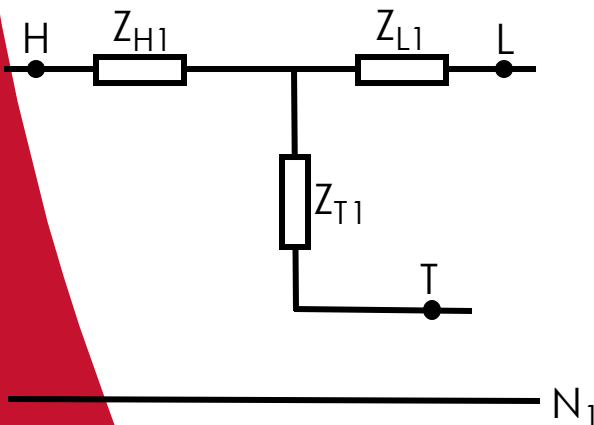
Similarly $Z_{P-T} = Z_P + Z_T$ and $Z_{S-T} = Z_S + Z_T$



Equivalent circuit is similar to that of a 3 winding transformer.



Z_M = Magnetising Impedance = Large $\therefore$ Ignored



$$Z_{HL1} = Z_{H1} + Z_{L1} \text{ (both referred to same voltage base)}$$

$$Z_{HT1} = Z_{H1} + Z_{T1} \text{ (both referred to same voltage base)}$$

$$Z_{LT1} = Z_{L1} + Z_{T1} \text{ (both referred to same voltage base)}$$

Sequence Networks

It can be shown that providing the system impedances are balanced from the points of generation right up to the fault, each sequence current causes voltage drop of its own sequence only.

Regard each current flowing within own network thro' impedances of its own sequence only, with no interconnection between the sequence networks right up to the point of fault.

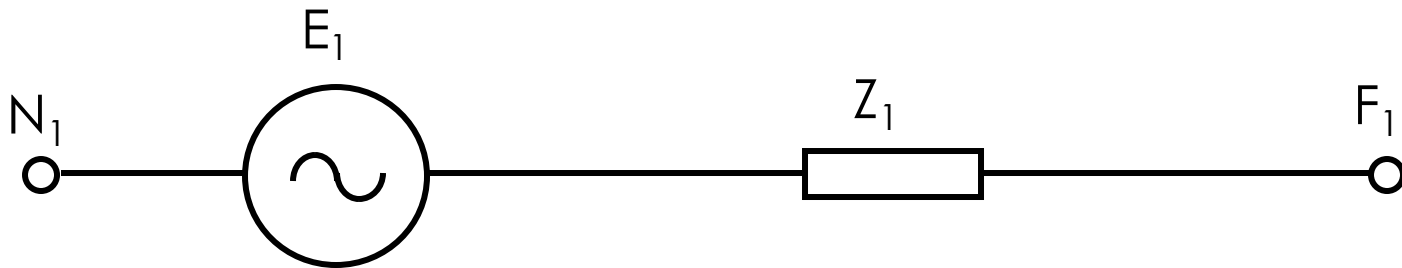
- ▶ +ve, -ve and zero sequence networks are drawn for a 'reference' phase. This is usually taken as the 'A' phase.

- ▶ Faults are selected to be 'balanced' relative to the reference 'A' phase.

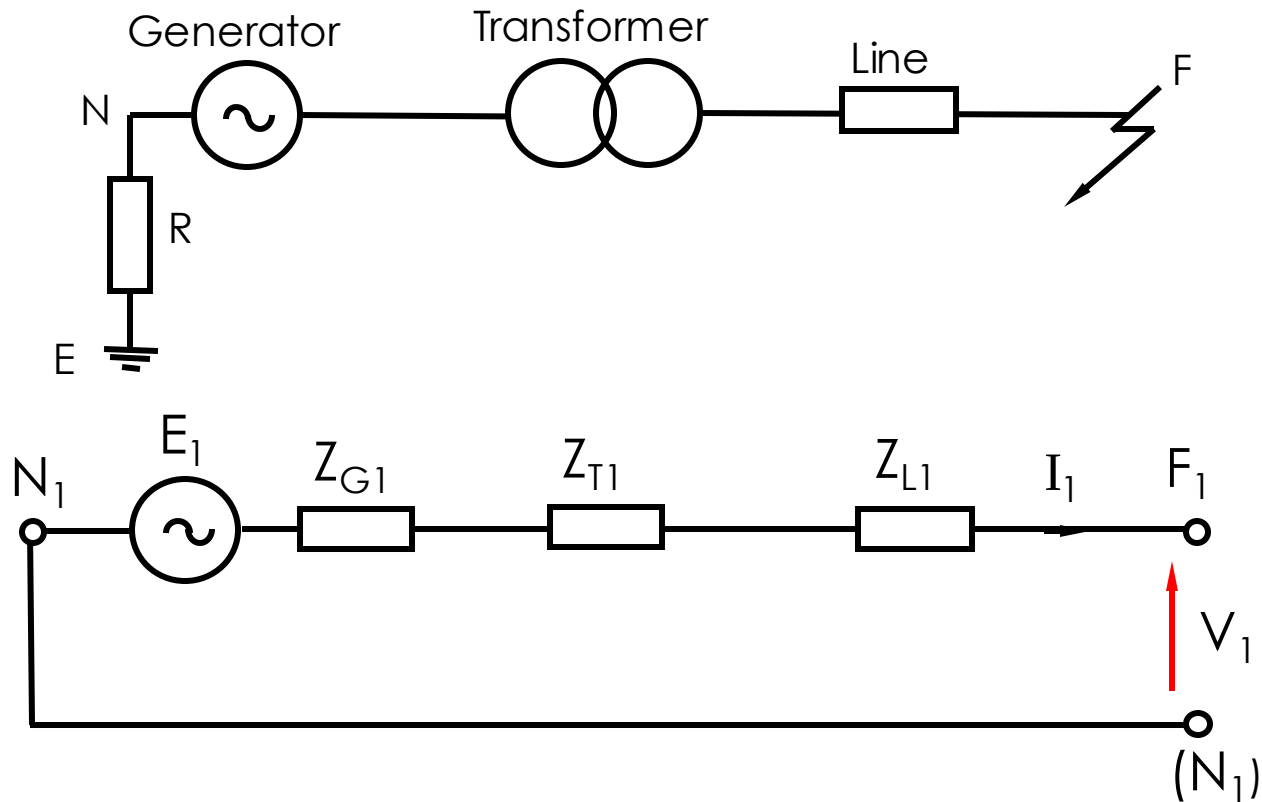
e.g. For $\emptyset/E$ faults consider an A-E fault

For $\emptyset/\emptyset$ faults consider a B-C fault

- ▶ Sequence network interconnection is the simplest for the reference phase.



1. Start with neutral point N_1
 - All generator and load neutrals are connected to N_1
2. Include all source EMF's
 - Phase-neutral voltage
3. Impedance network
 - Positive sequence impedance per phase
4. Diagram finishes at fault point F_1



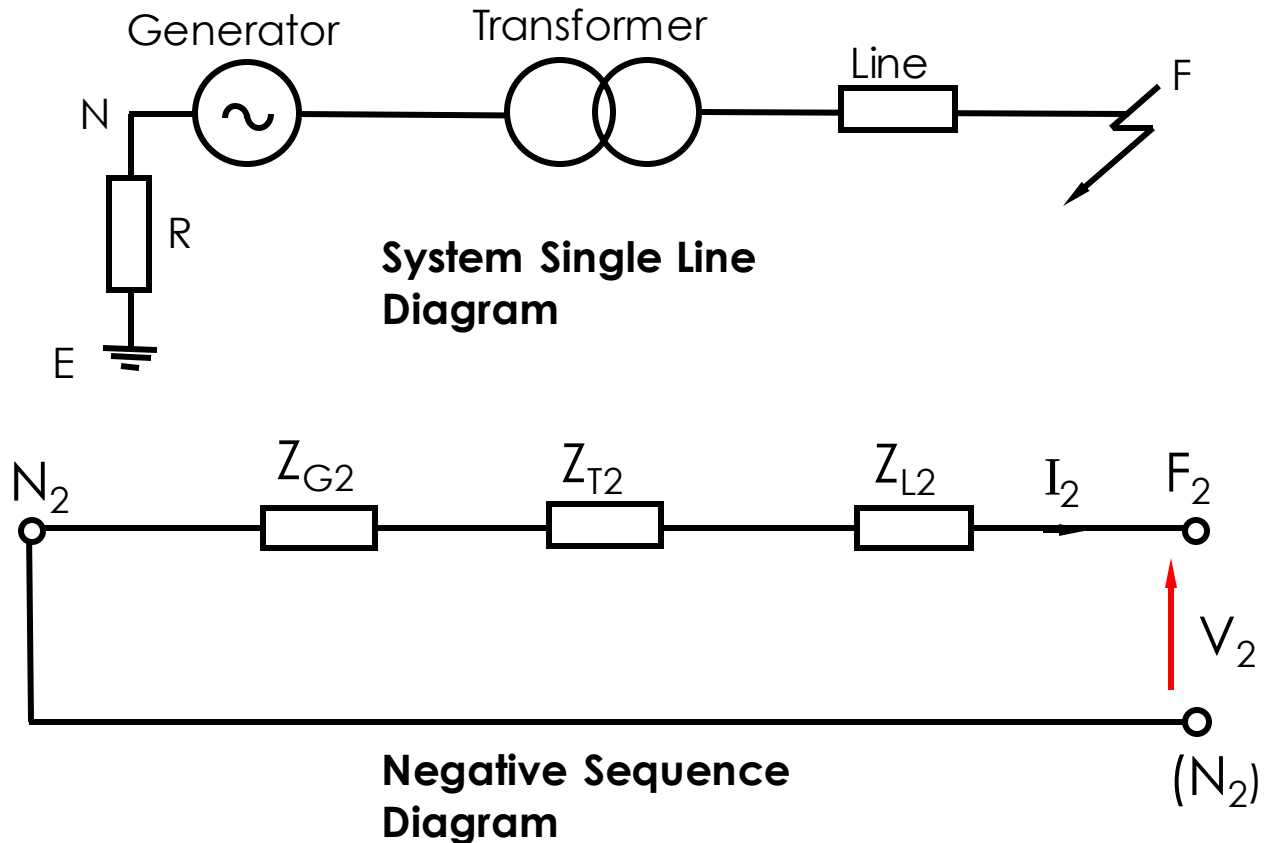
V_1 = Positive sequence PH-N voltage at fault point

I_1 = Positive sequence phase current flowing into F_1

$$V_1 = E_1 - I_1 (Z_{G1} + Z_{T1} + Z_{L1})$$



1. Start with neutral point N_2
 - All generator and load neutrals are connected to N_2
2. No EMF's included
 - No negative sequence voltage is generated!
3. Impedance network
 - Negative sequence impedance per phase
4. Diagram finishes at fault point F_2

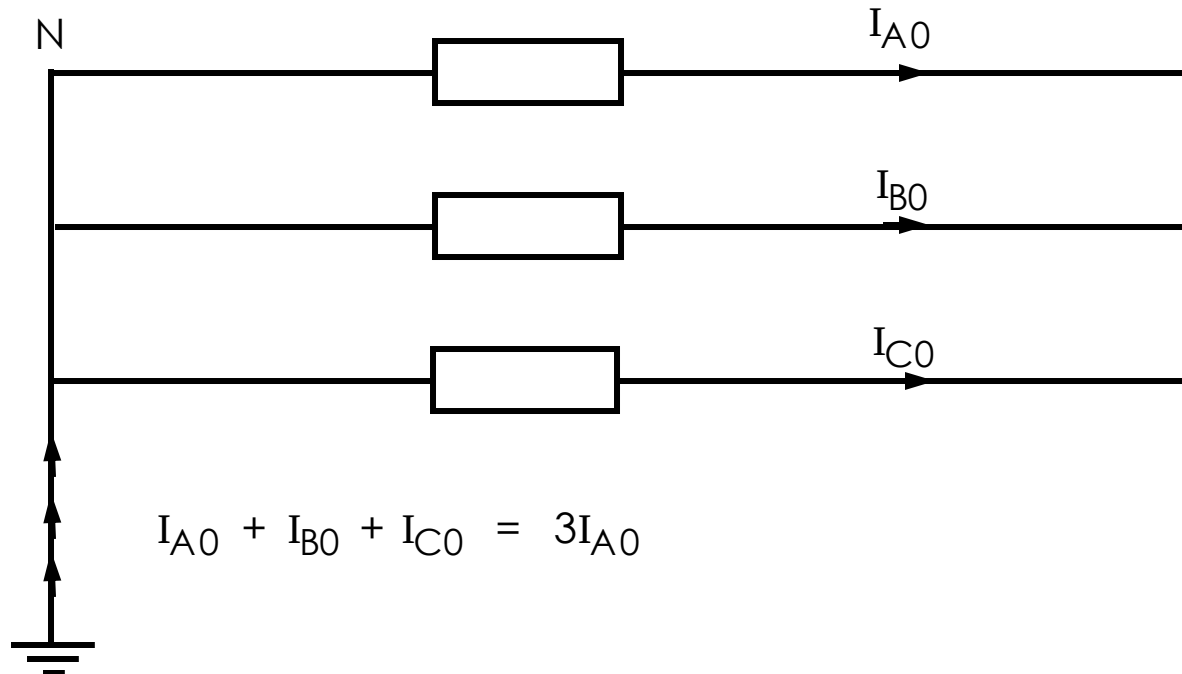


V_2 = Negative sequence PH-N voltage at fault point

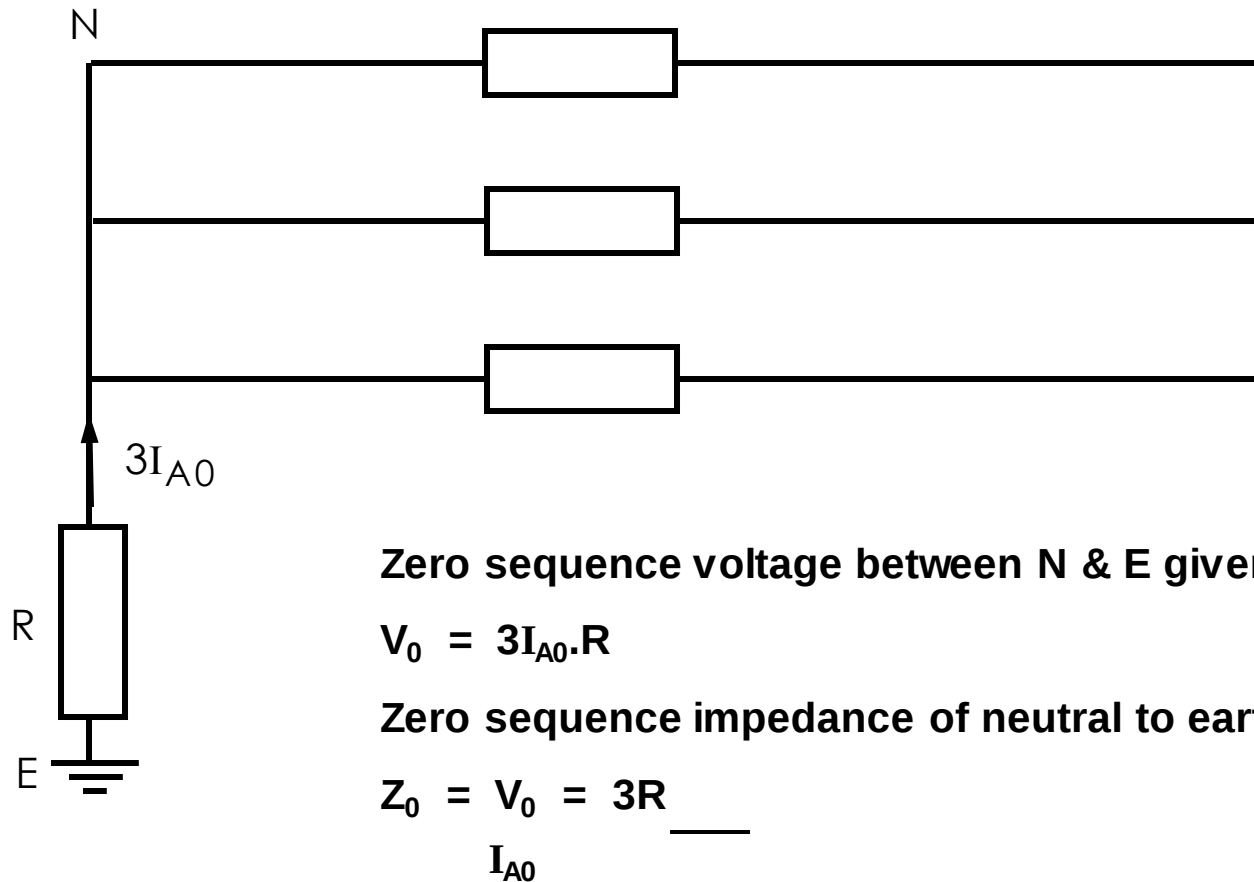
I_2 = Negative sequence phase current flowing into F_2

$$V_2 = -I_2 (Z_{G2} + Z_{T2} + Z_{L2})$$

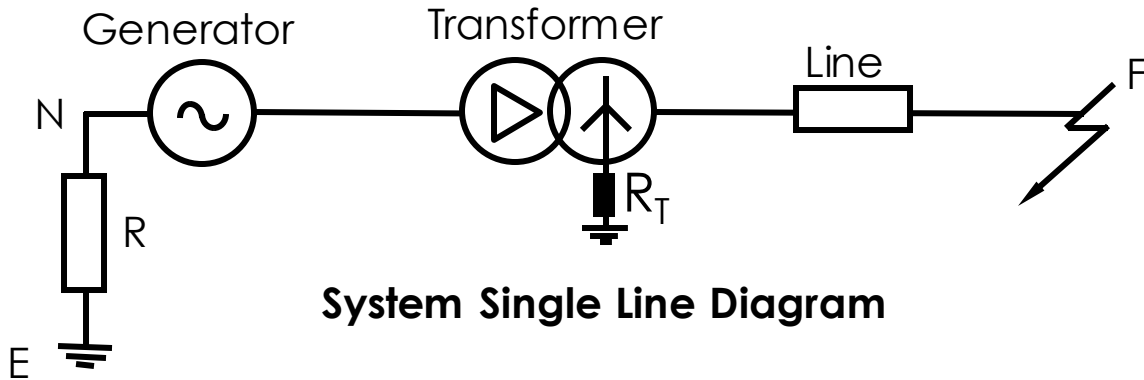
For “In Phase” (Zero Phase Sequence) currents to flow in each phase of the system, there must be a fourth connection (this is typically the neutral or earth connection).



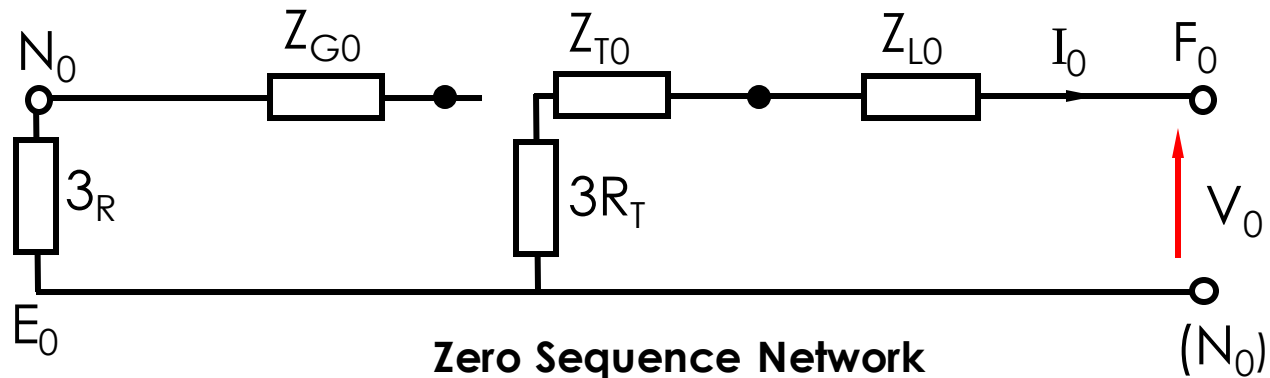
Resistance Earthed System :-



Zero Sequence Diagram (3)



System Single Line Diagram



Zero Sequence Network

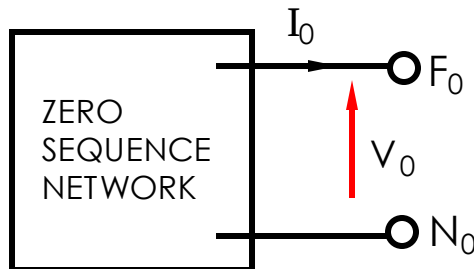
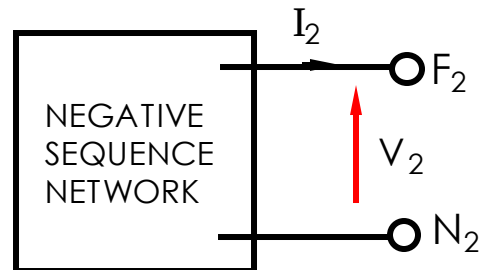
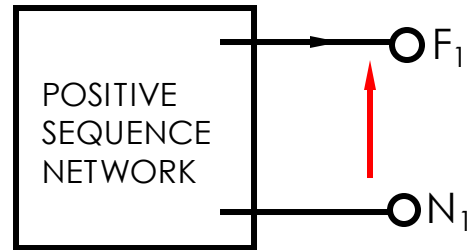
V_0 = Zero sequence PH-E voltage at fault point

I_0 = Zero sequence current flowing into F_0

$$V_0 = -I_0 (Z_{T0} + Z_{L0})$$

Network Connections

Consider sequence networks as blocks with fault terminals F & N for external connections.



For any given fault there are 6 quantities to be considered at the fault point

i.e. V_A V_B V_C I_A I_B I_C

Relationships between these for any type of fault can be converted into an equivalent relationship between sequence components

V_1, V_2, V_0 and I_1, I_2, I_0

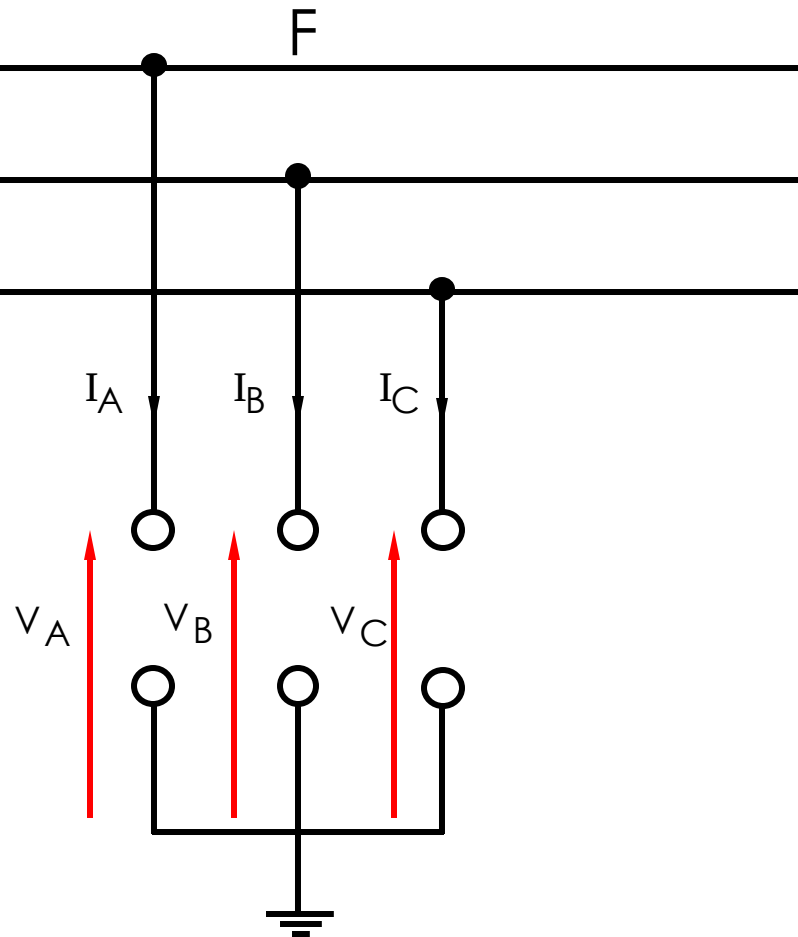
This is possible if :-

- 1) Any 3 phase quantities are known (provided they are not all voltages or all currents)
- or 2) 2 are known and 2 others are known to have a specific relationship.

From the relationship between sequence V's and I's, the manner in which the isolation sequence networks are connected can be determined.

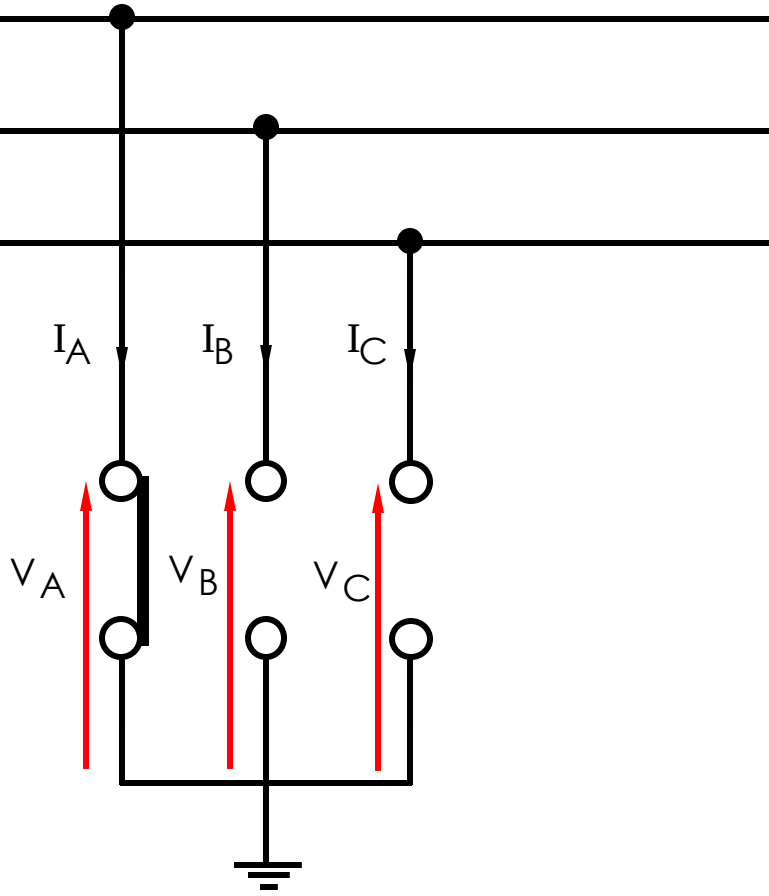
The connection of the sequence networks provides a single phase representation (in sequence terms) of the fault.

To derive the system constraints at the fault terminals :-



Terminals are connected to represent the fault.

Line to Ground Fault on Phase 'A'



At fault point :-

V_A	=	0
V_B	=	?
V_C	=	?
I_A	=	?
I_B	=	0
I_C	=	0

At fault point

$$V_A = 0; I_B = 0; I_C = 0$$

$$\text{but } V_A = V_1 + V_2 + V_0$$

$$\therefore \boxed{V_1 + V_2 + V_0 = 0} \text{ ----- (1)}$$

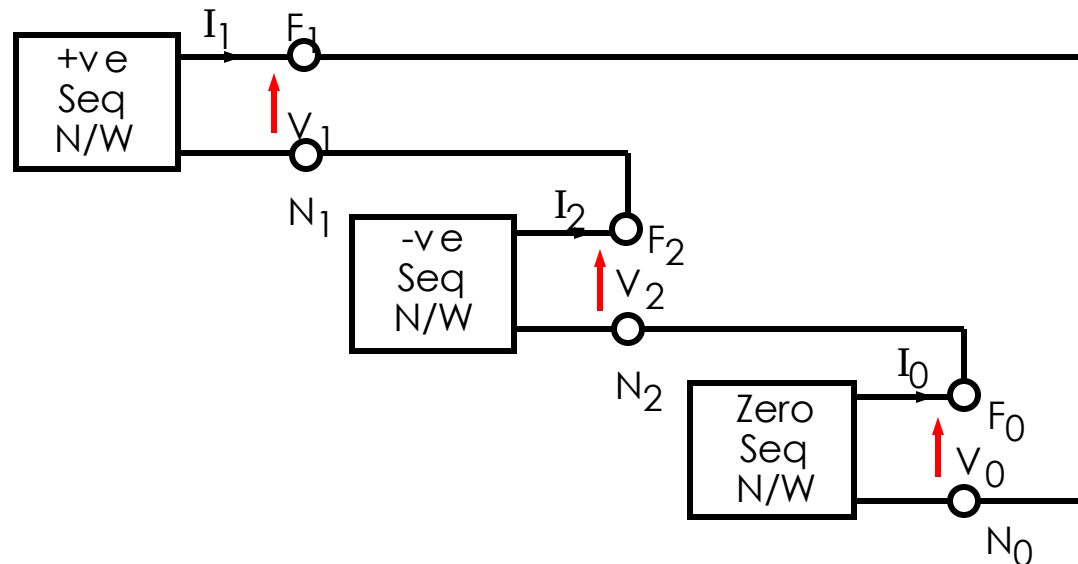
$$I_0 = 1/3 (I_A + I_B + I_C) = 1/3 I_A$$

$$I_1 = 1/3 (I_A + aI_B + a^2I_C) = 1/3 I_A$$

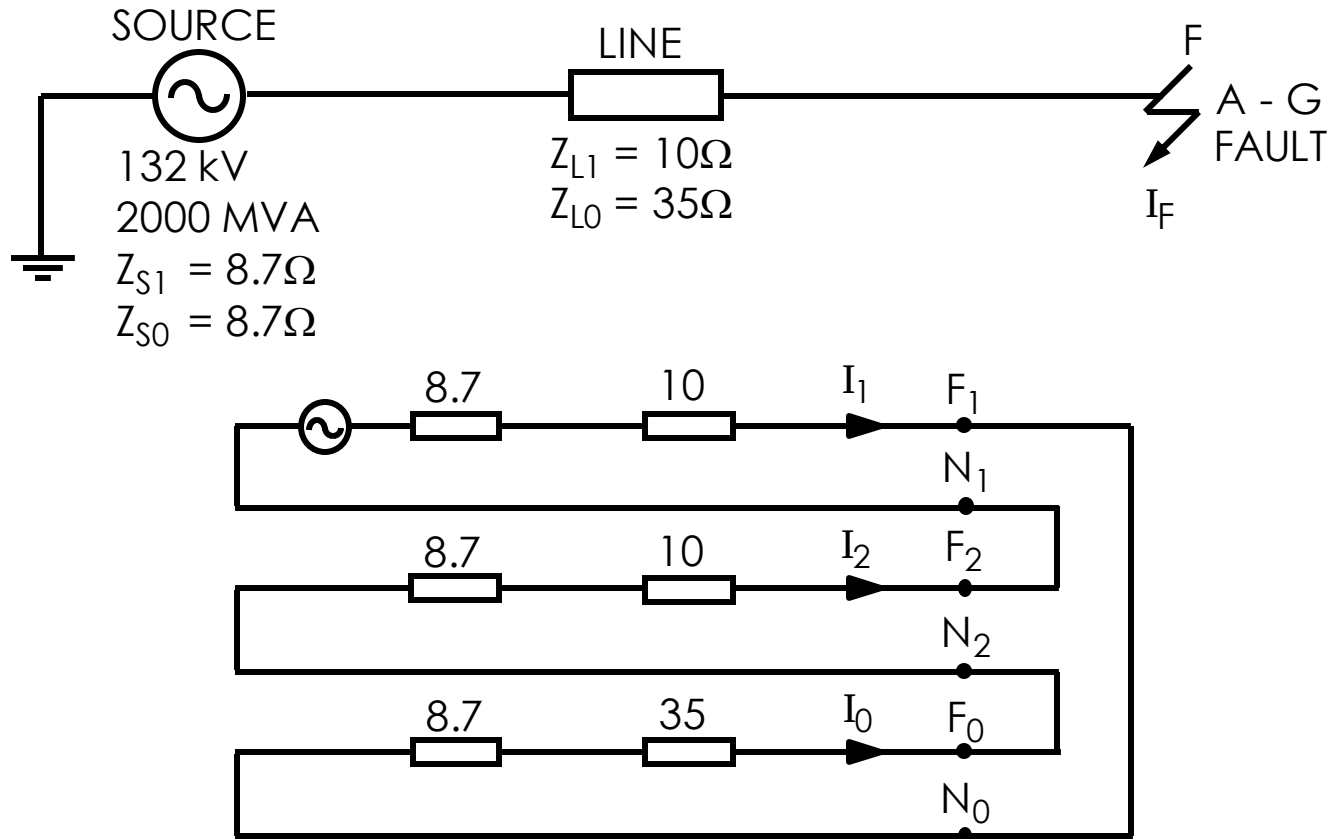
$$I_2 = 1/3 (I_A + a^2I_B + aI_C) = 1/3 I_A$$

$$\therefore \boxed{I_1 = I_2 = I_0 = 1/3 I_A} \text{ ----- (2)}$$

To comply with (1) & (2) the sequence networks must be connected in series :-



Example : Phase to Earth Fault

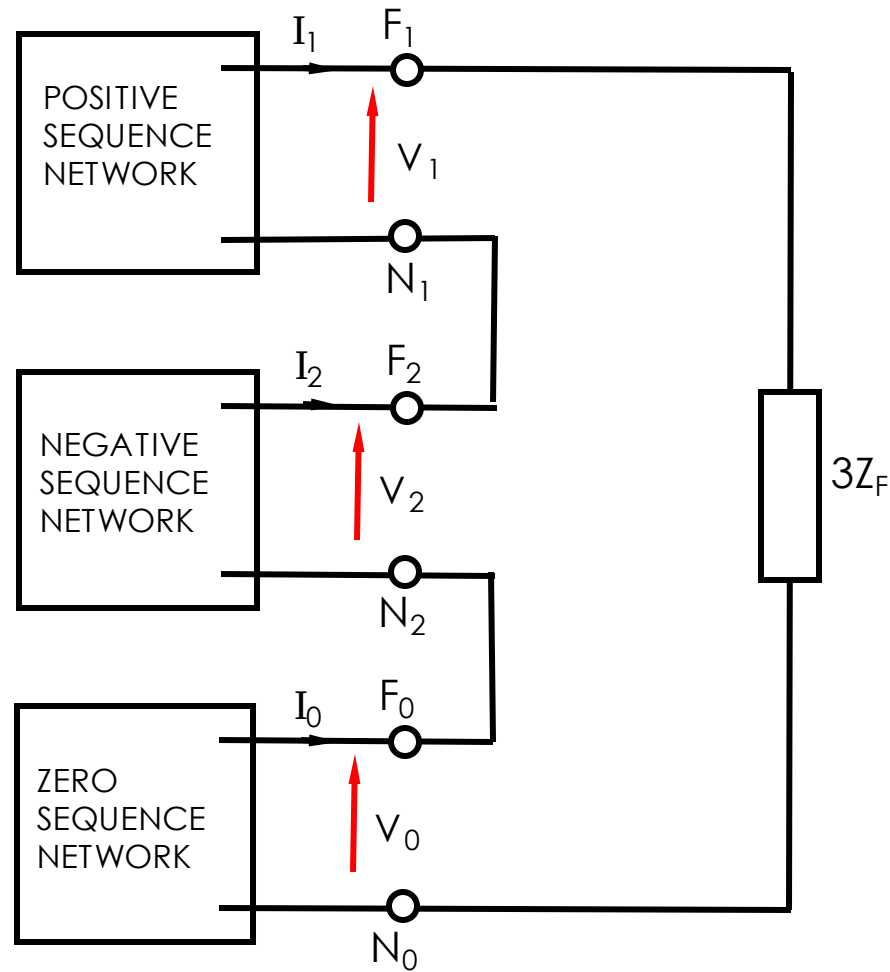


Total impedance = 81.1Ω

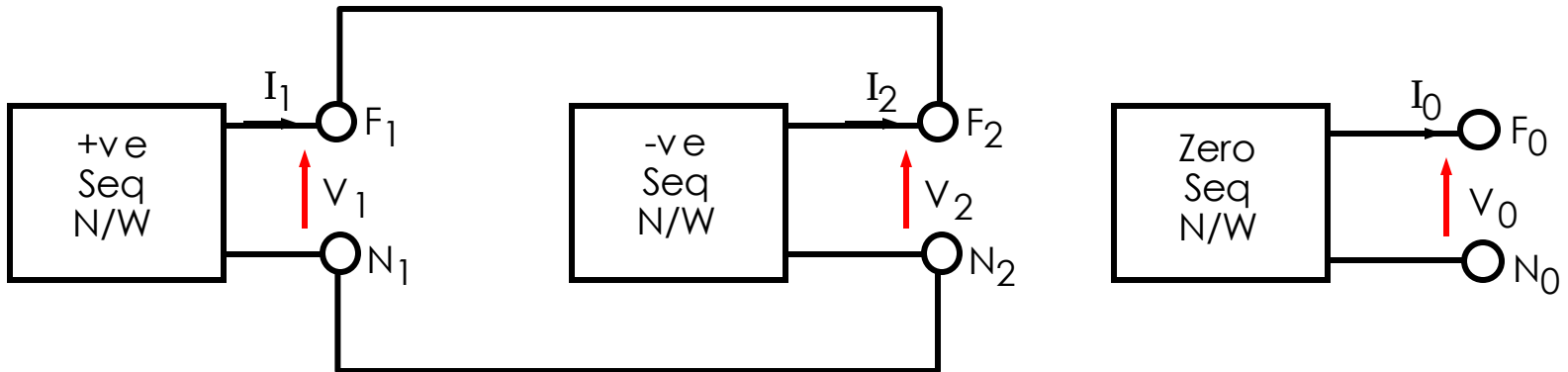
$$I_1 = I_2 = I_0 = \frac{132000}{\sqrt{3} \times 81.1} = 940 \text{ Amps}$$

$$I_F = I_A = I_1 + I_2 + I_0 = 3I_0 = 2820 \text{ Amps}$$

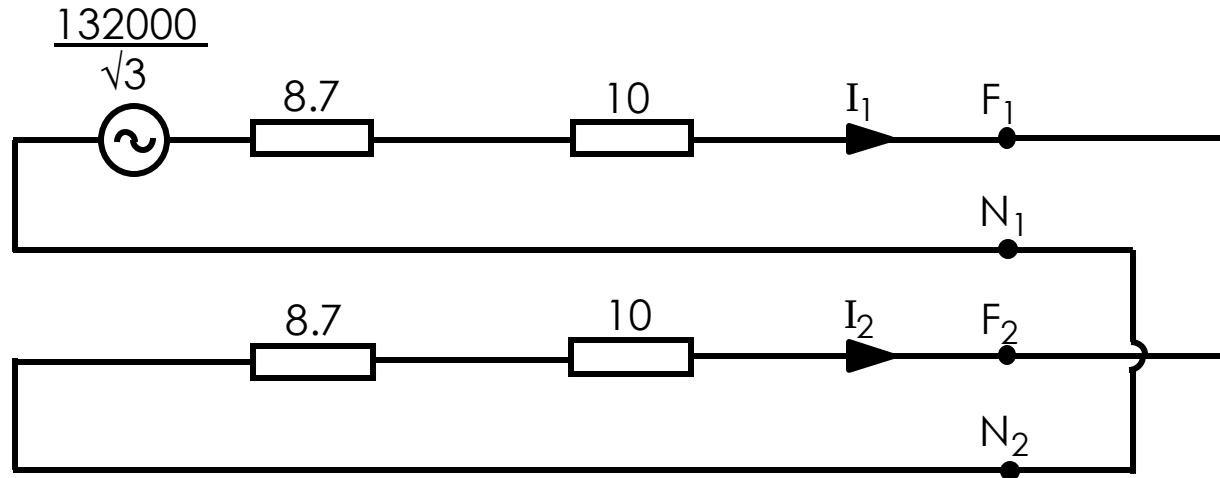
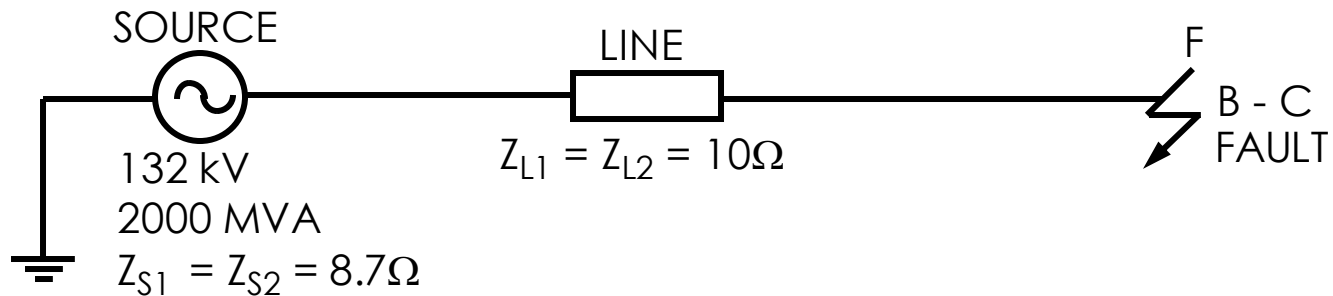
Earth Fault with Fault Resistance



Phase to Phase Fault:- B-C Phase



Example : Phase to Phase Fault



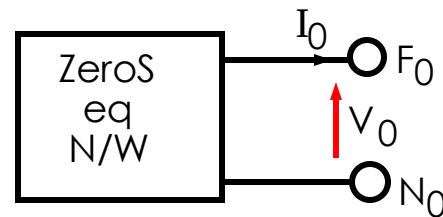
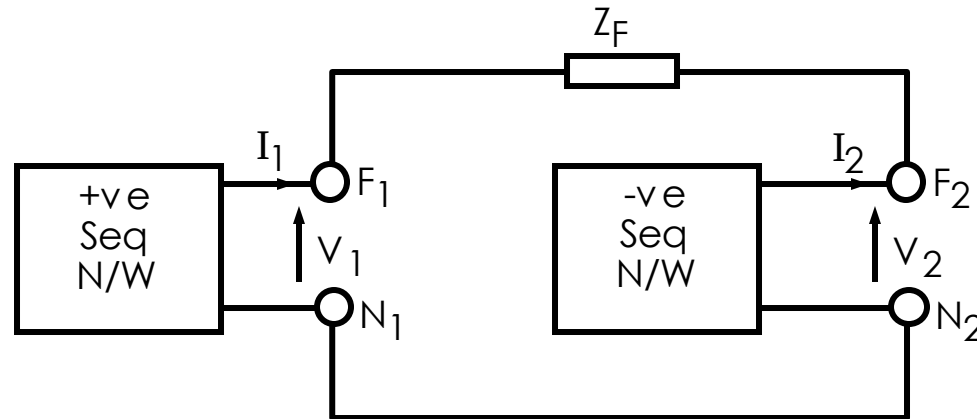
Total impedance = 37.4Ω

$$I_1 = \frac{132000}{\sqrt{3} \times 37.4} = 2037 \text{ Amps}$$

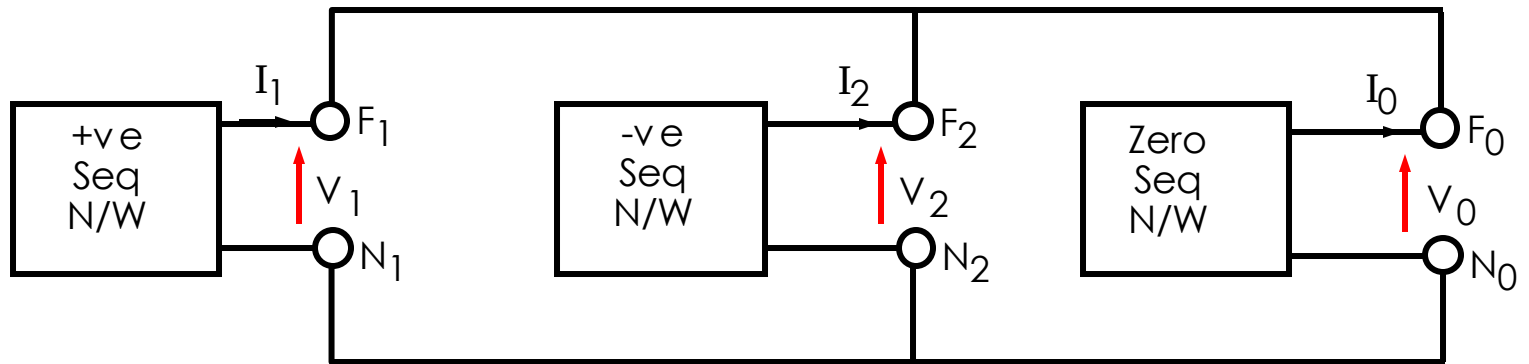
$$I_2 = -2037 \text{ Amps}$$

$$\begin{aligned} I_B &= a^2 I_1 + a I_2 \\ &= a^2 I_1 - a I_1 \\ &= (a^2 - a) I_1 \\ &= (-j) \cdot \sqrt{3} \times 2037 \\ &= 3529 \text{ Amps.} \end{aligned}$$

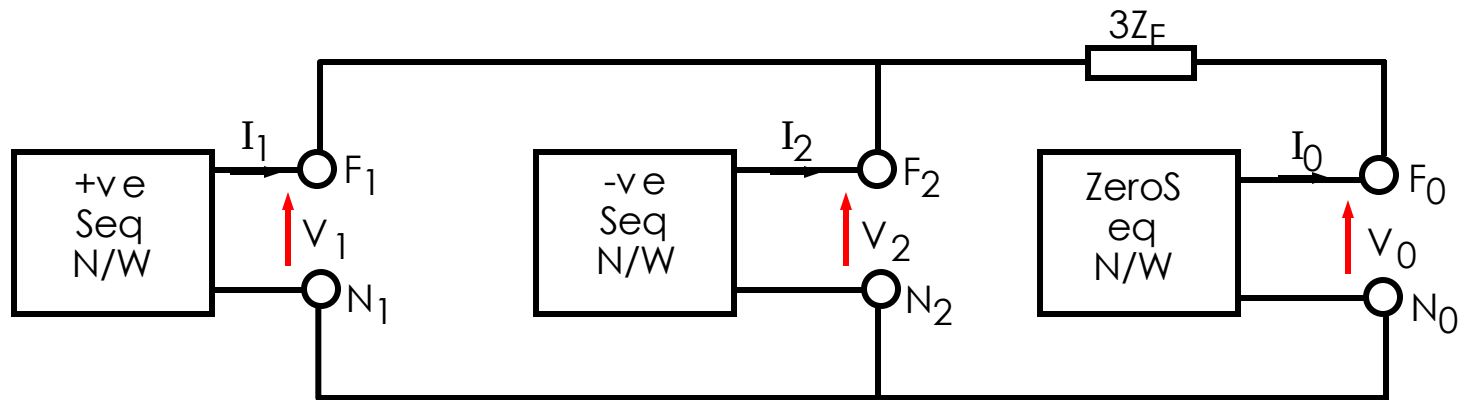
Phase to Phase Fault with Resistance



Phase to Phase to Earth Fault:- B-C-E



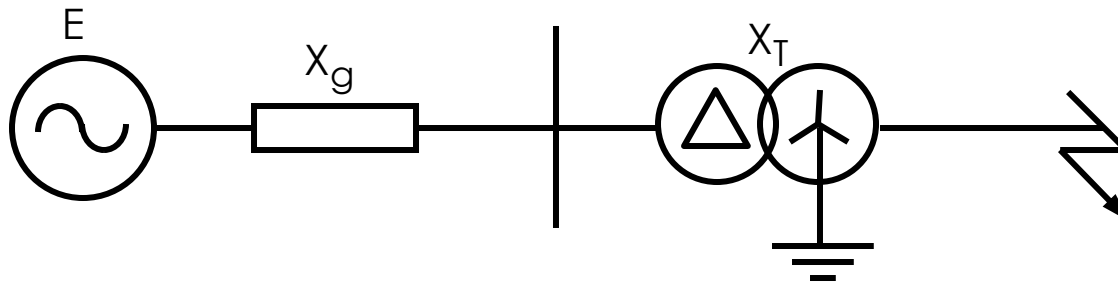
Phase to Phase to Earth Fault:- B-C-E with Resistance



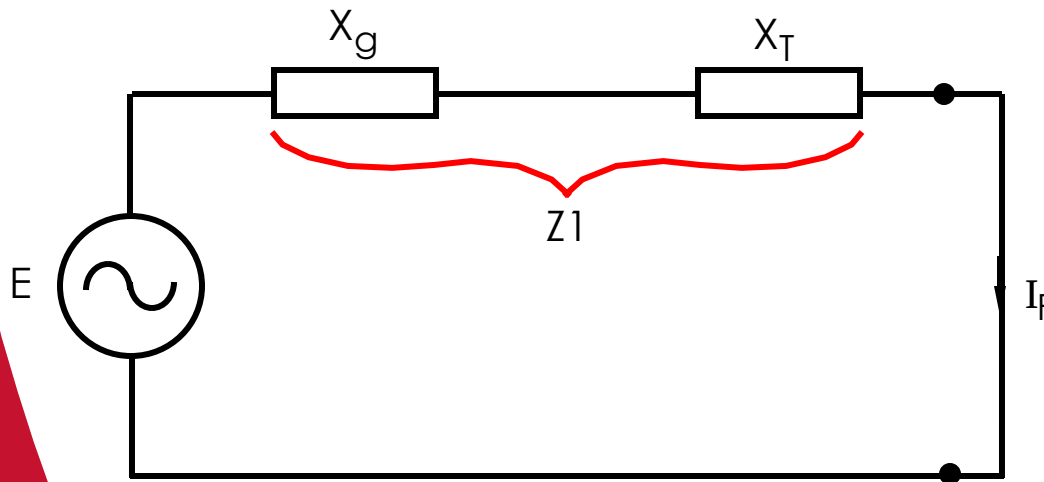
Single Phase Fault Level :

- ▶ Can be higher than 3 Φ fault level on solidly-earthed systems

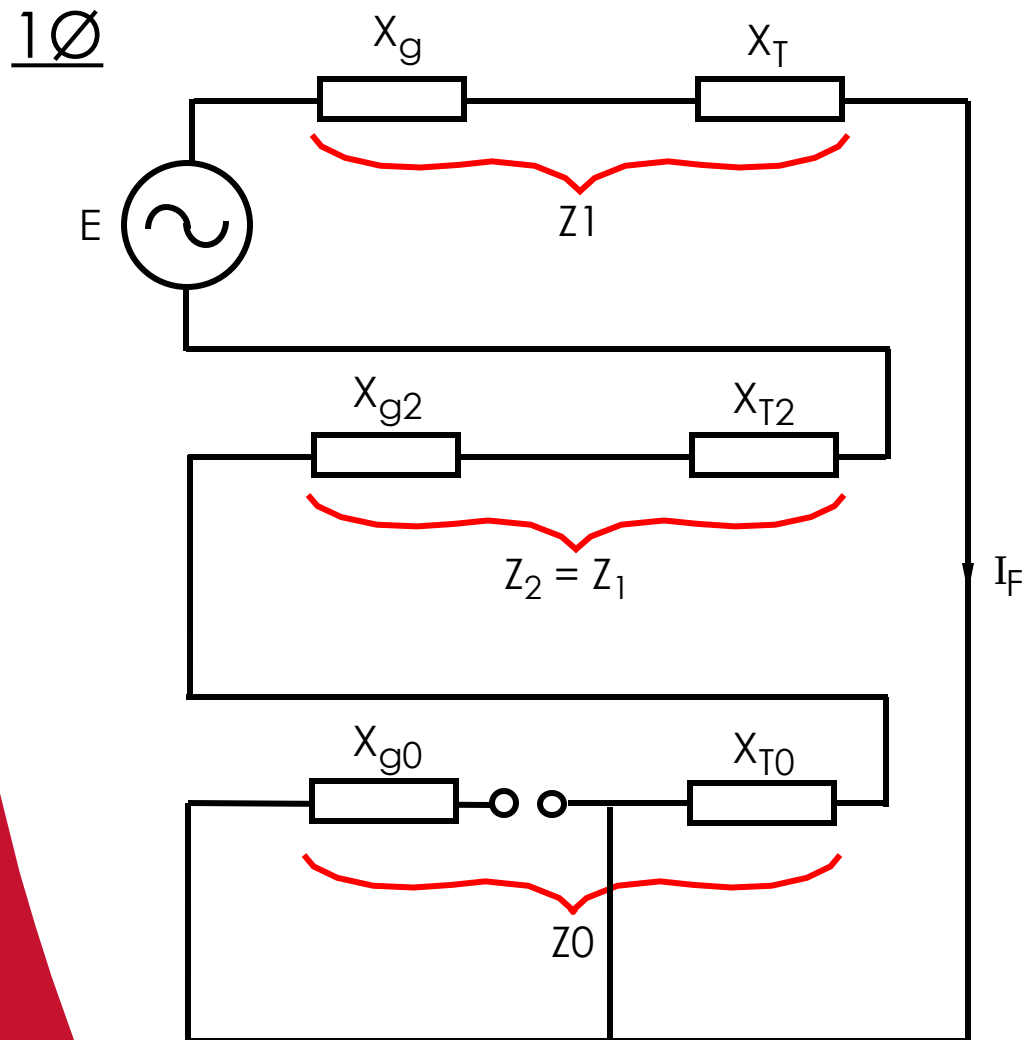
Check that switchgear breaking capacity > maximum fault level for all fault types.



3Ø



$$I_F = \frac{E}{X_g + X_T} \equiv \frac{E}{Z_1}$$



$$I_F = \frac{3E}{2Z_1 + Z_0}$$

$$3\text{Ø FAULTLEVEL} = \frac{E}{Z_1} = \frac{3E}{3Z_1} = \frac{3E}{2Z_1 + Z_1}$$

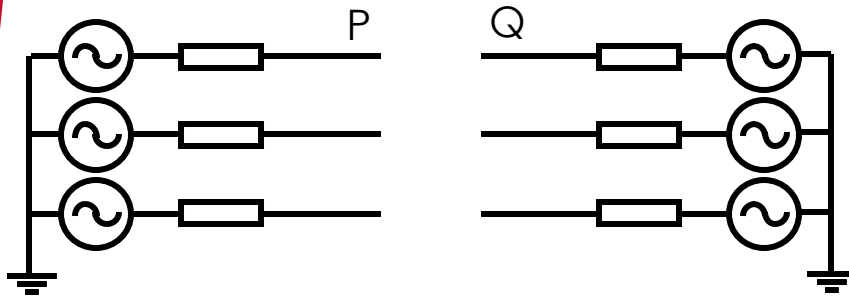
$$1\text{Ø FAULTLEVEL} = \frac{3E}{2Z_1 + Z_0}$$

$$\therefore \text{IF } Z_0 < Z_1$$

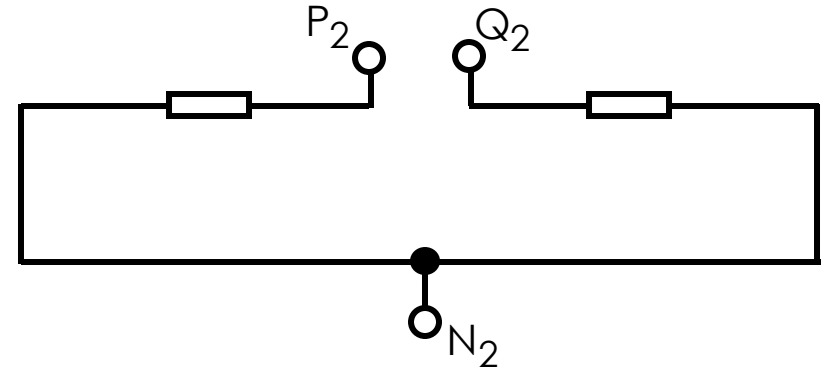
$$1\text{Ø FAULTLEVEL} > 3\text{Ø FAULTLEVEL}$$

Open Circuit & Double Faults

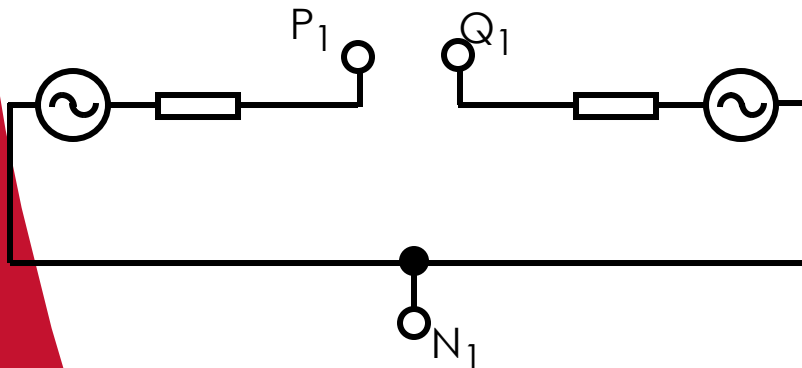
Series Faults (or Open Circuit Faults)



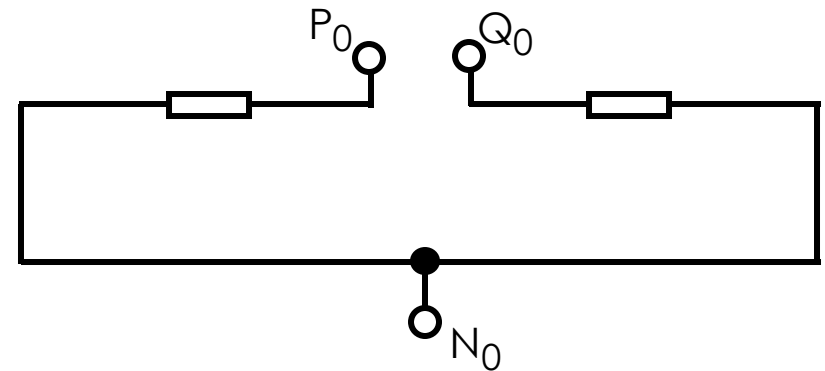
OPEN CIRCUIT FAULT ACROSS PQ



NEGATIVE SEQUENCE NETWORK



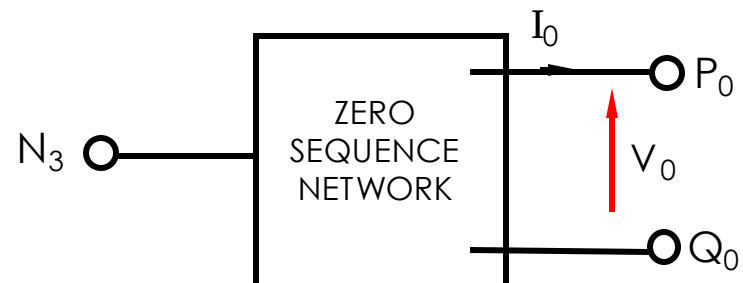
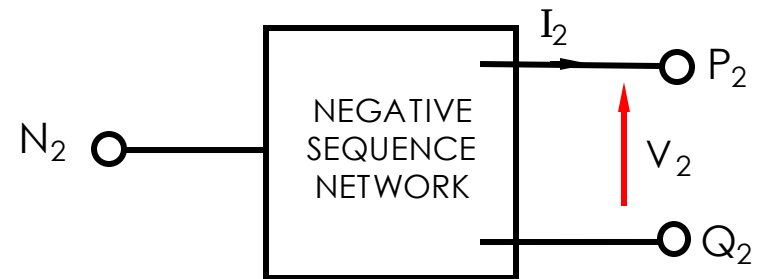
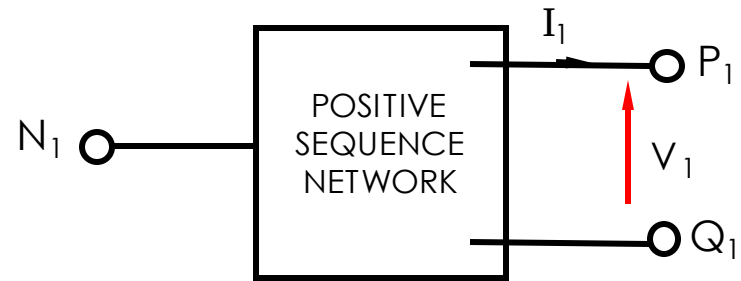
POSITIVE SEQUENCE NETWORK



ZERO SEQUENCE NETWORK

Consider sequence networks as blocks with fault terminals P & Q for interconnections.

Unlike shunt faults, terminal N is not used for interconnections.

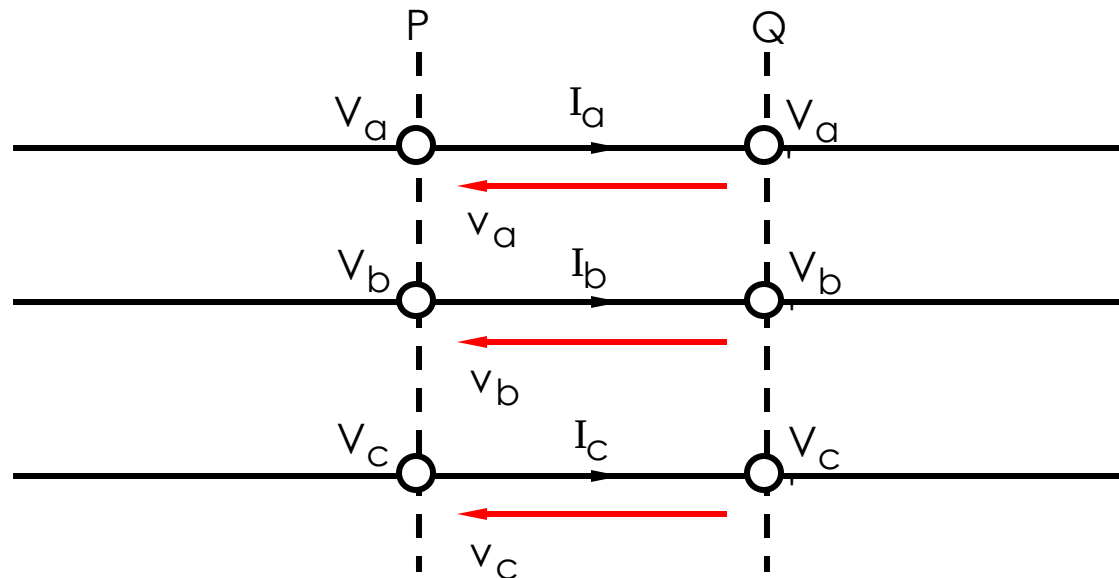


Derive System Constraints at the Fault Terminals

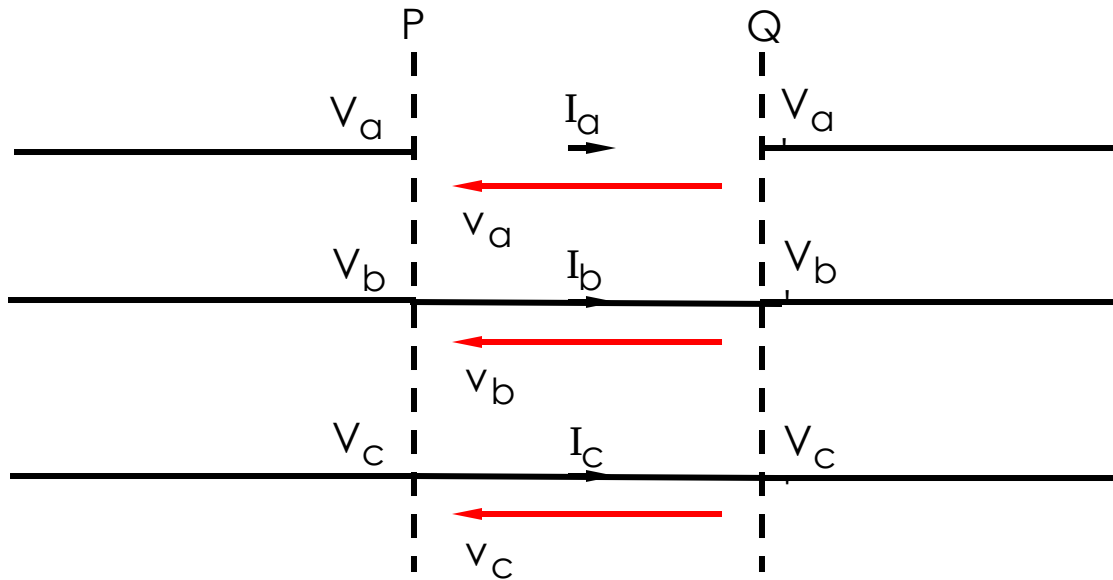
The terminal conditions imposed by different open circuit faults will be applied across points P & Q on the 3 line conductors.

Fault terminal currents I_a , I_b , I_c flow from P to Q.

Fault terminal potentials V_a , V_b , V_c will be across P and Q.



Open Circuit Fault On Phase A (1)



At fault point :-

$$V_a = ?$$

$$V_b = 0$$

$$V_c = 0$$

$$I_a = 0$$

$$I_b = ?$$

$$I_c = ?$$

At fault point

$$v_b = 0 ; v_c = 0 ; I_a = 0$$

$$v_0 = 1/3 (v_a + v_b + v_c) = 1/3 v_a$$

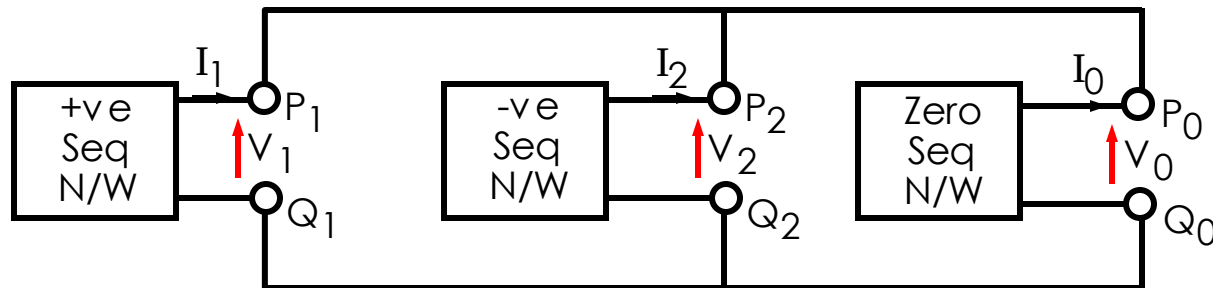
$$v_1 = 1/3 (v_a + \alpha v_b + \alpha^2 v_c) = 1/3 v_a$$

$$v_2 = 1/3 (v_a + \alpha^2 v_b + \alpha v_c) = 1/3 v_a$$

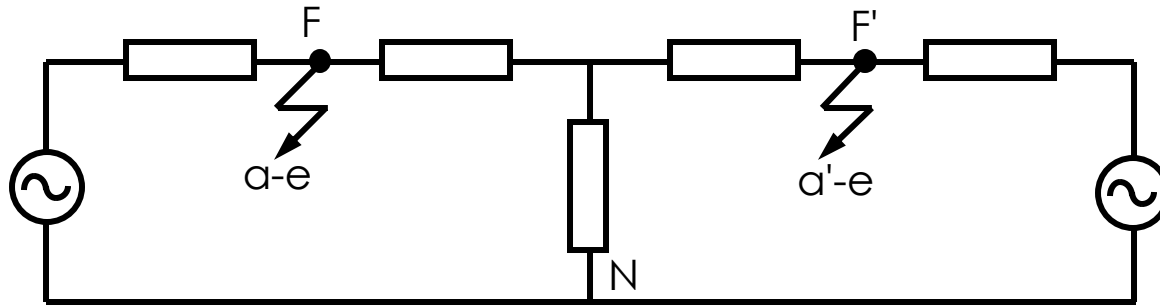
$$\therefore \boxed{v_1 = v_2 = v_0 = 1/3 v_a} \text{ ----- (1)}$$

$$I_a = I_1 + I_2 + \boxed{I_0 = 0} \text{ ----- (2)}$$

From equations (1) & (2) the sequence networks are connected in parallel.



Two Earth Faults on Phase 'A' at Different Locations



(1) At fault point F

$$V_a = 0; I_b = 0; I_c = 0$$

It can be shown that

$$I_{a1} = I_{a2} = I_{a0}$$

$$V_{a1} + V_{a2} + V_{a0} = 0$$

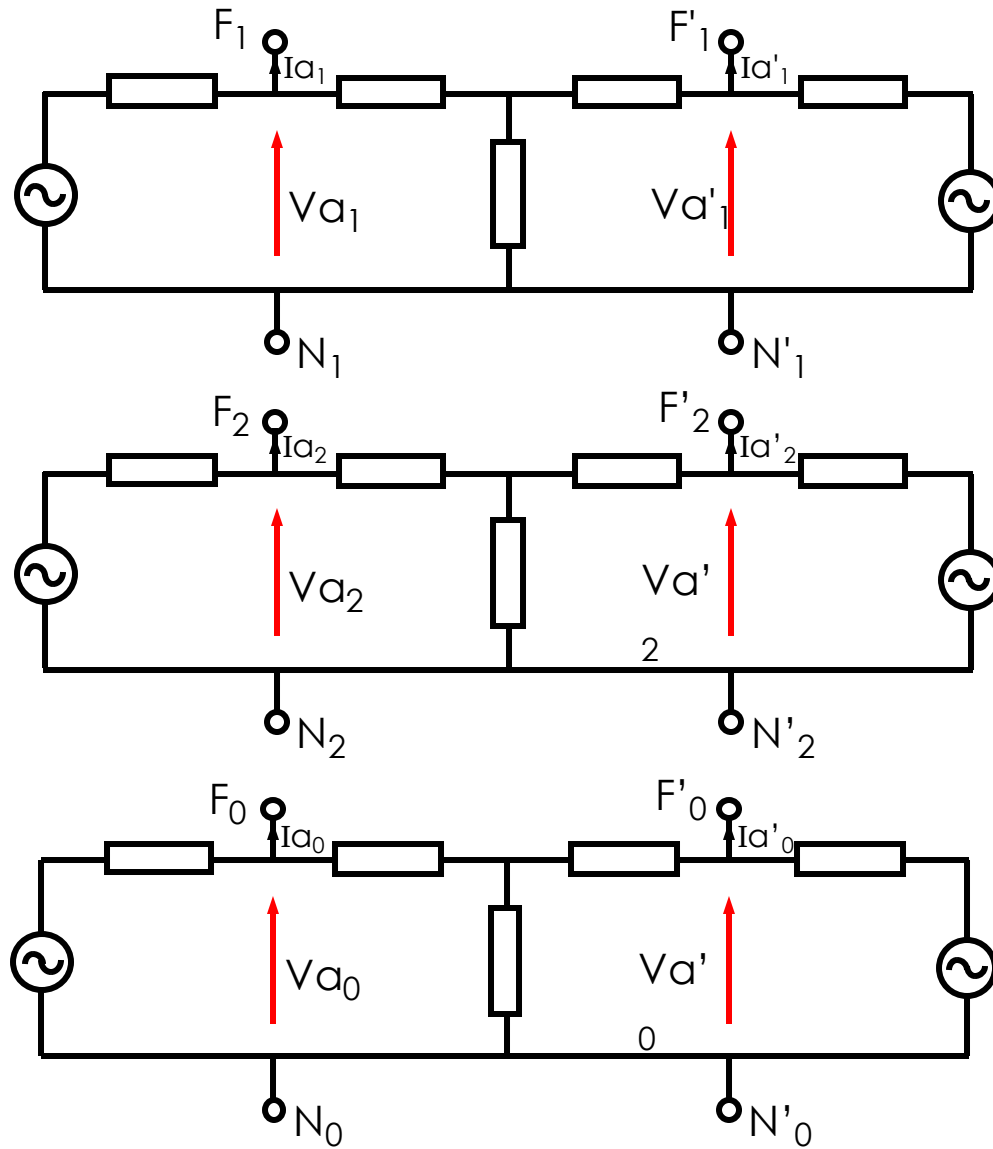
(2) At fault point F'

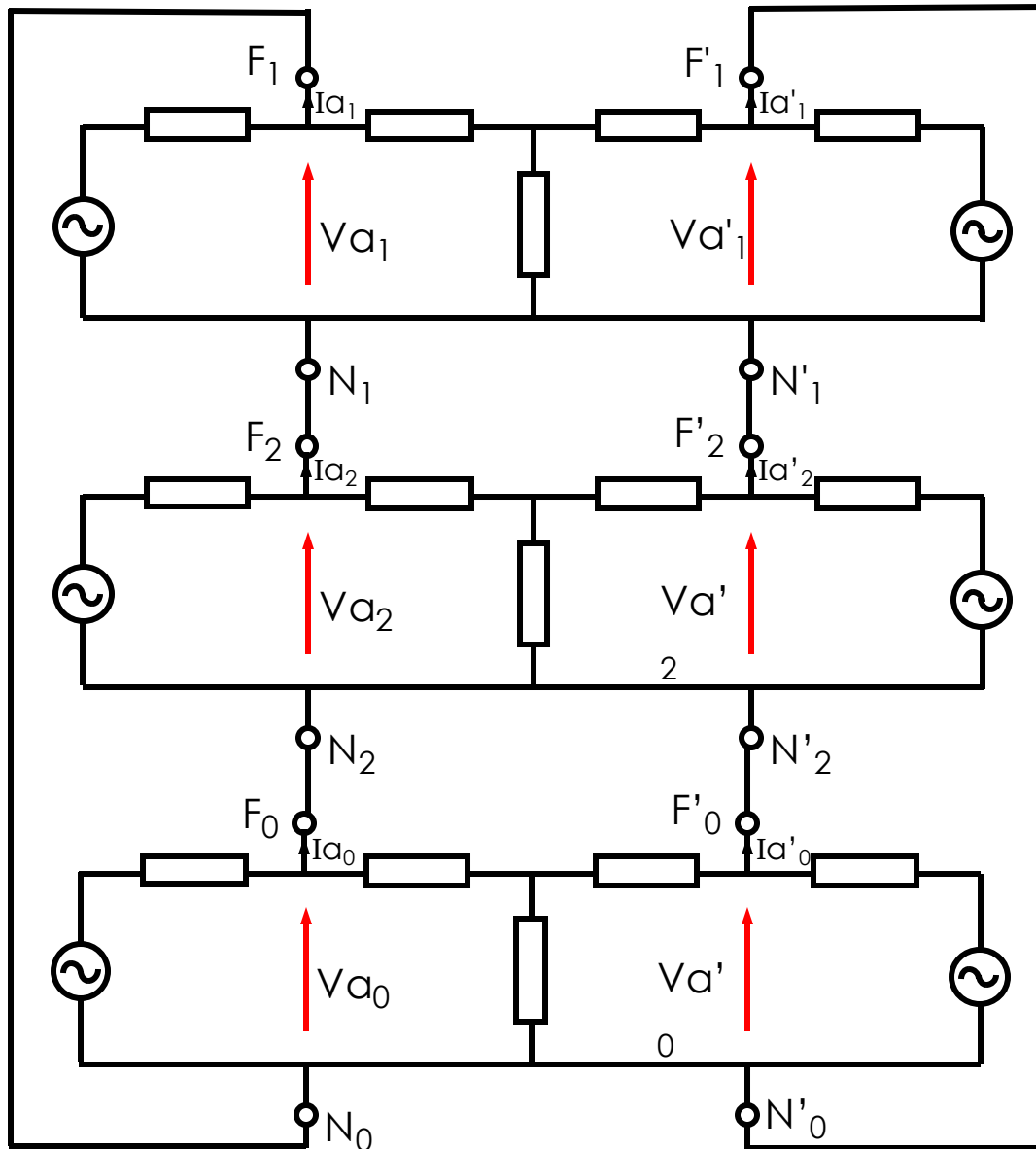
$$V_{a'} = 0; I_{b'} = 0; I_{c'} = 0$$

It can be shown that

$$I_{a'1} = I_{a'2} = I_{a'0}$$

$$V_{a'1} + V_{a'2} + V_{a'0} = 0$$

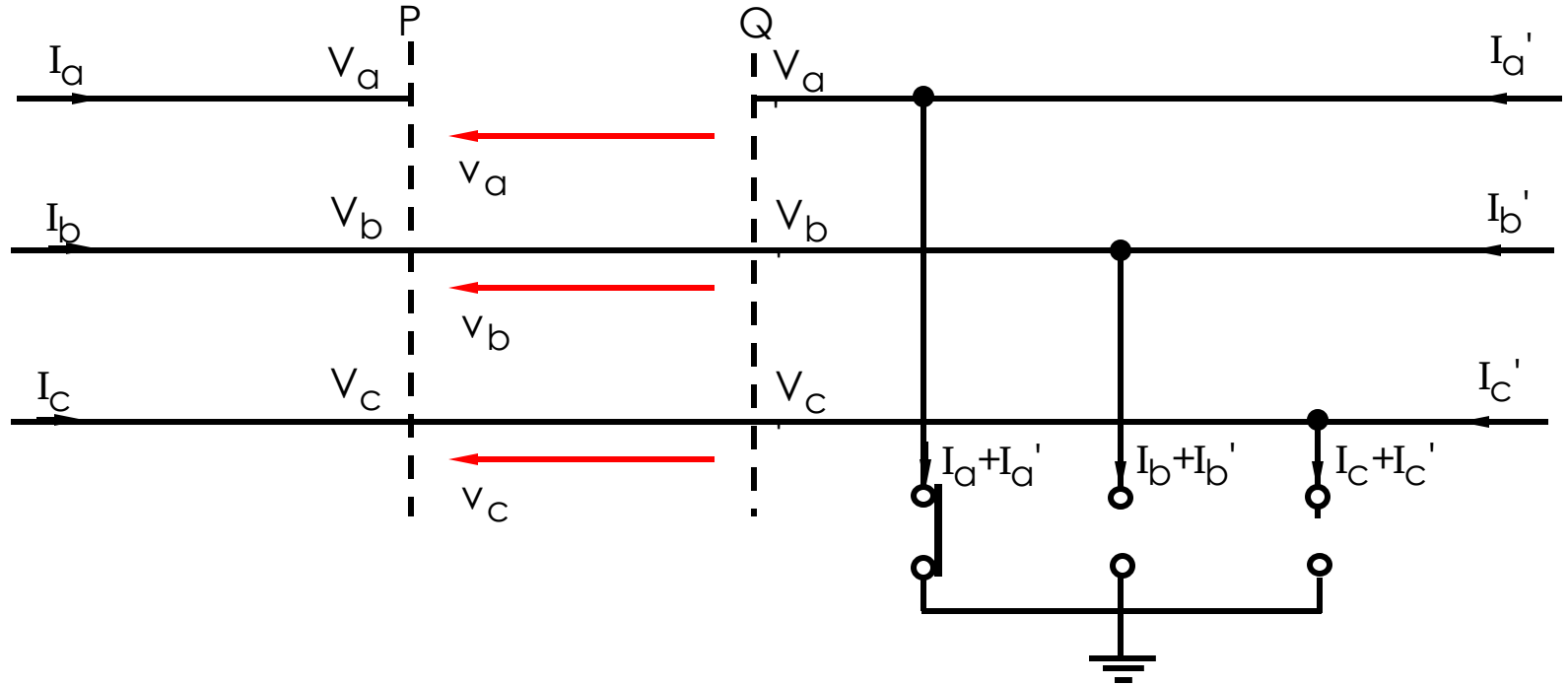




**INCORRECT
CONNECTIONS**

AS :- $V_{a0} \neq V_{a0}'$
 $V_{a2} \neq V_{a2}'$
 $V_{a1} \neq V_{a1}'$





Open Circuit Fault

At fault point :-

$$\begin{aligned} V_a &= ? \\ V_b &= 0 \\ V_c &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

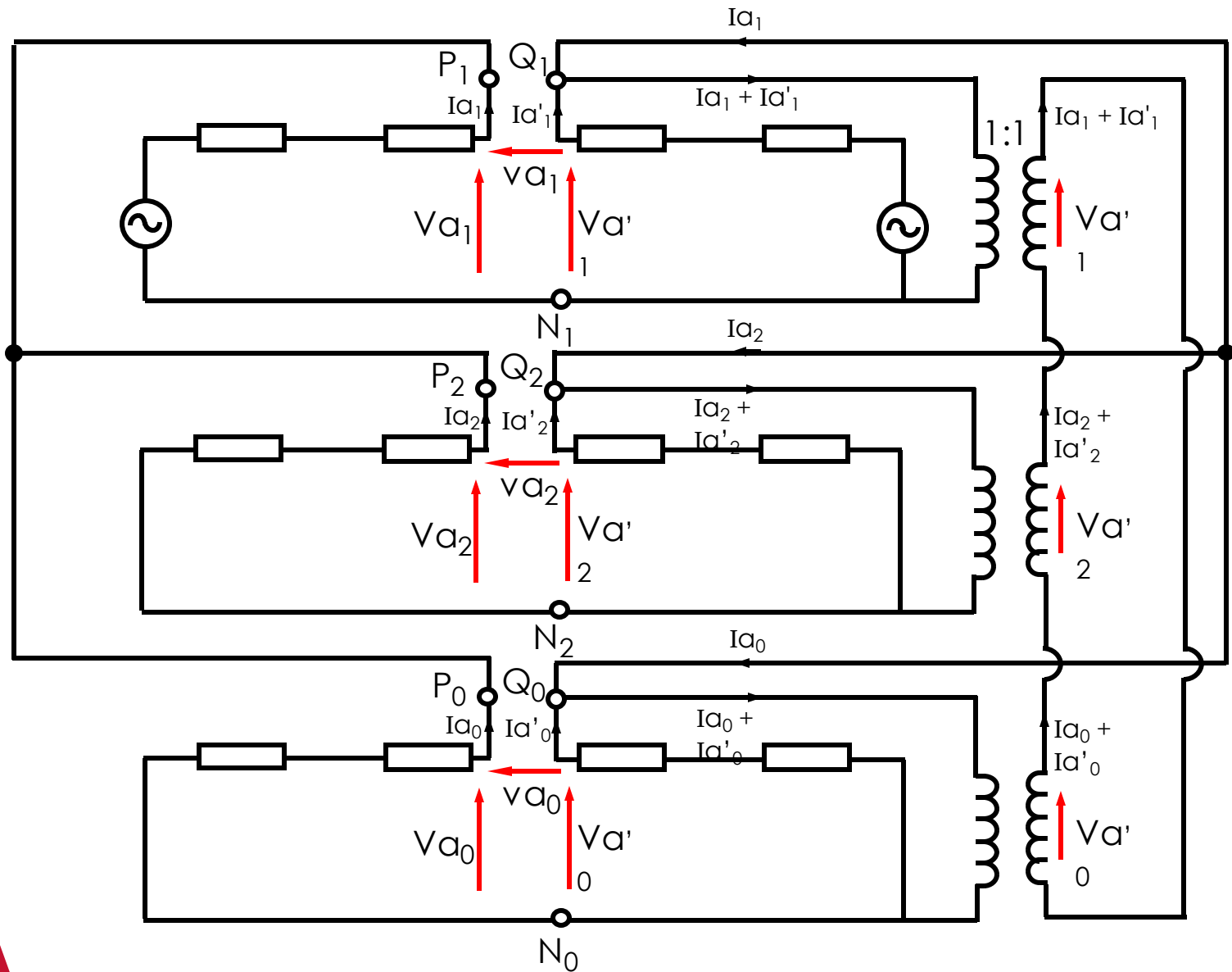
$$\begin{aligned} I_a &= 0 \\ I_b &= ? \\ I_c &= ? \end{aligned}$$

Line to Ground Fault

At fault point :-

$$\begin{aligned} V_a' &= 0 \\ V_b' &= ? \\ V_c' &= ? \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} I_a + I_a' &= ? \\ I_b + I_b' &= 0 \\ I_c + I_c' &= 0 \end{aligned}$$





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