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Lecture 4  
Power flow & Voltage stability

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# Outline

## Electric Power Systems, A first course by Ned Mohan

- Chapter 5 Power flow calculation
- Chapter 10 Voltage stability

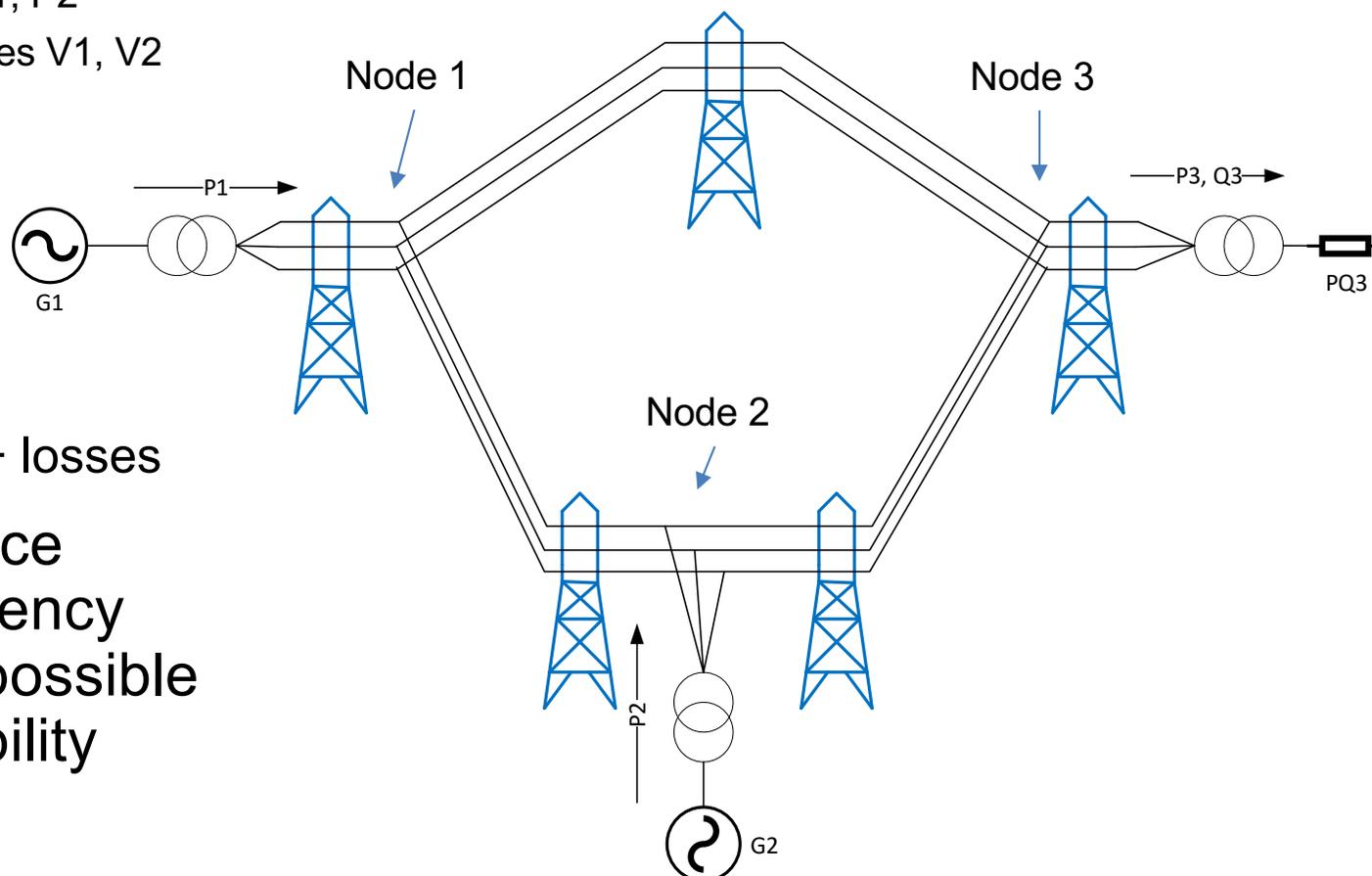
# Power system example

- 3 nodes (bus), [1, 2, 3]
- Two generators: G1, G2
  - Feeding power P1, P2
  - Controlling voltages V1, V2
  - **PV-bus**

- Load R3
  - P3, Q3
  - **PQ-bus**

- Power balance
  - $P_1 + P_2 = P_3 + \text{losses}$

- Power imbalance results in frequency deviation and possible transient instability (Lecture 7)



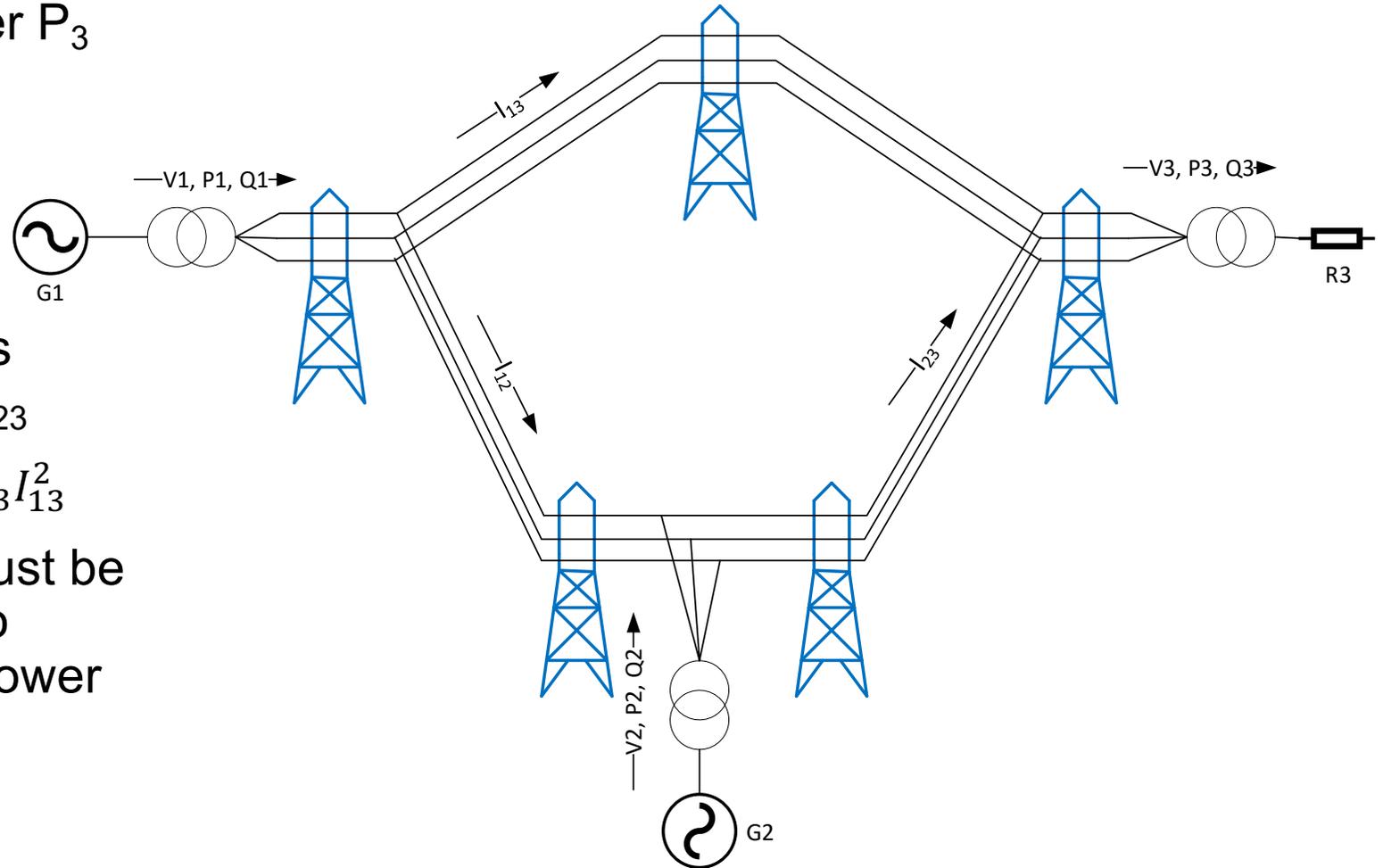
# Power balance

## Power imbalance:

- Load variation
- Load power  $P_3$  varies with voltage

$$P_3 = \frac{V_3^2}{R_3}$$

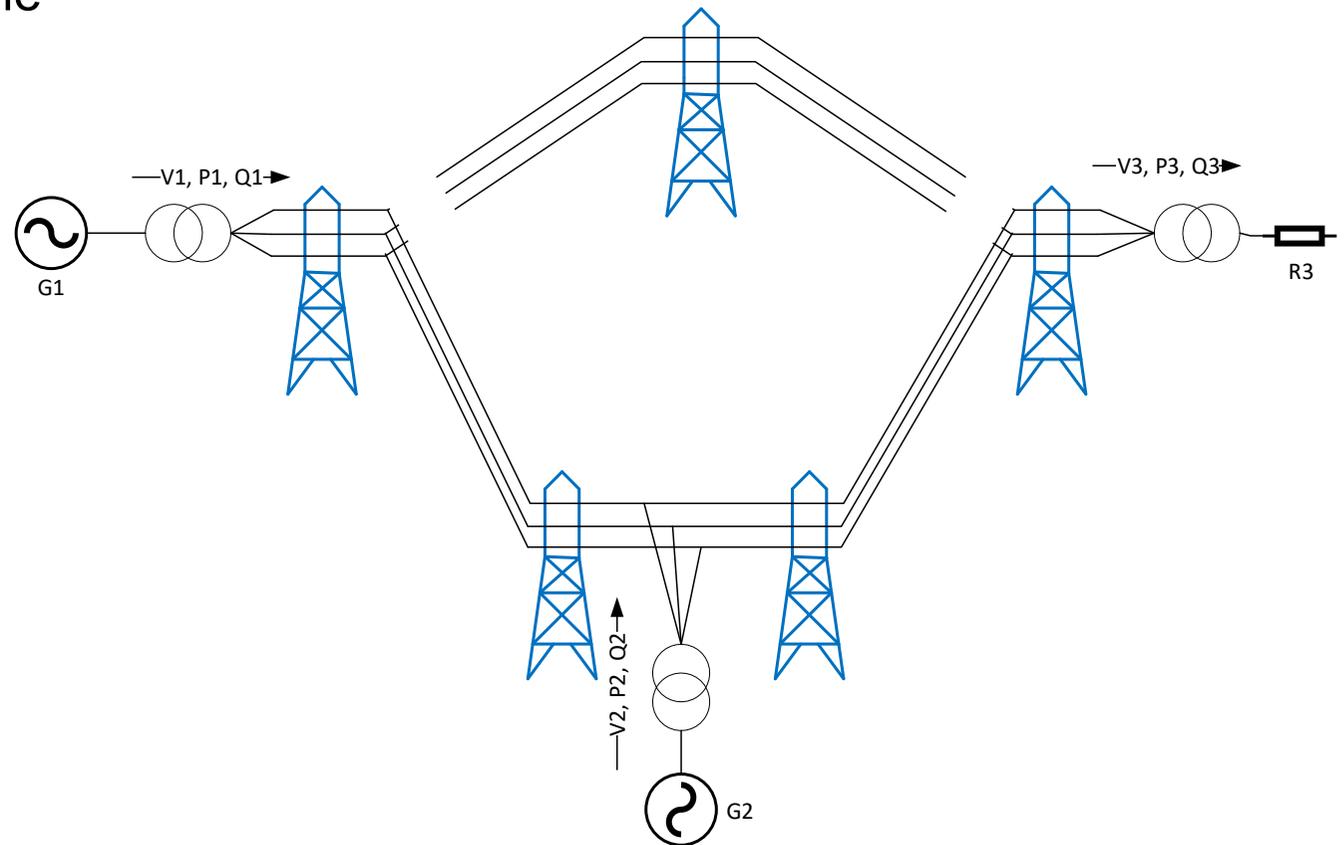
- Line losses  $P_{12}, P_{13}, P_{23}$   
$$P_{13} = 3 \cdot R_{13} I_{13}^2$$
- $P_1$  or  $P_2$  must be changed to maintain power balance



# Line outage

## Line disconnection

- All current on one line
- Higher losses



# Slack bus, infinite bus

## Load = PQ Buses

- Active and reactive power load

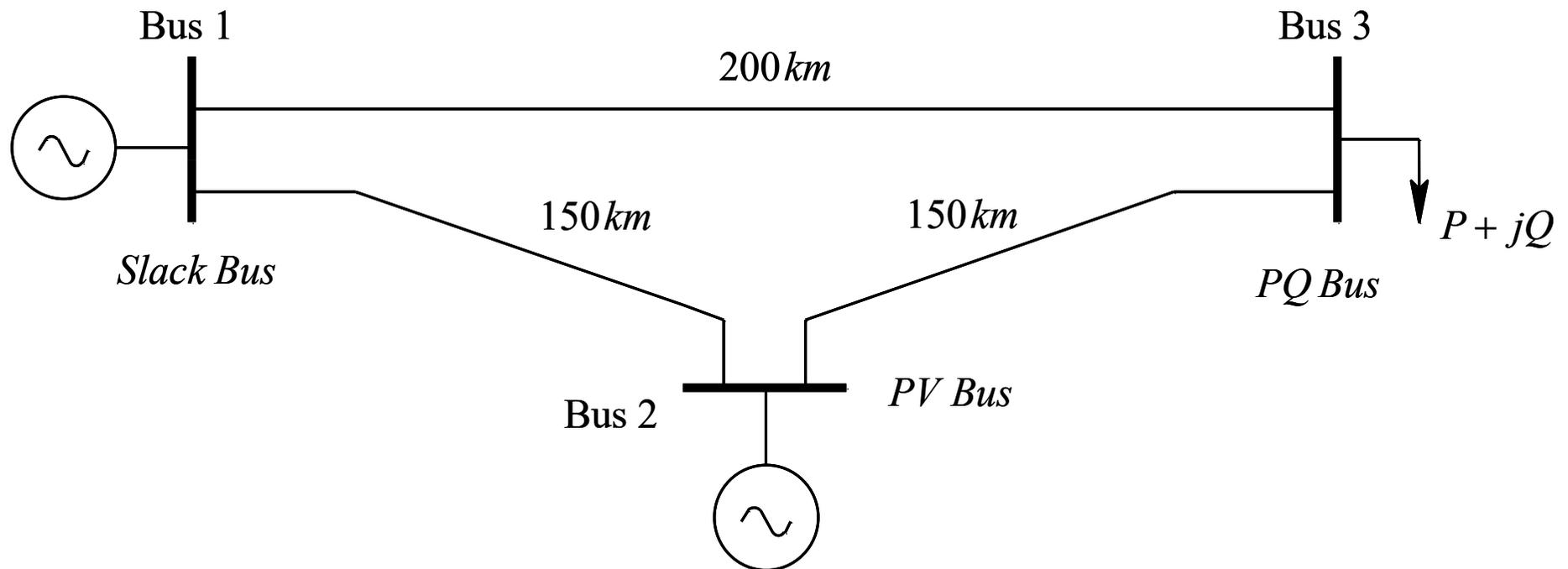
## Generator = PV Bus

- Constant active power
- Constant voltage magnitude

## One generator changed to Slack Bus

- Fixed voltage source (magnitude and angle)
- Active power defined by the power imbalance:  $P_{1(\text{slack bus})} = P_3 + \text{losses} - P_2$

# 345-kV Three-Bus Example Power System



Line-line voltage:  $V_{LL} = 345 \text{ kV}$

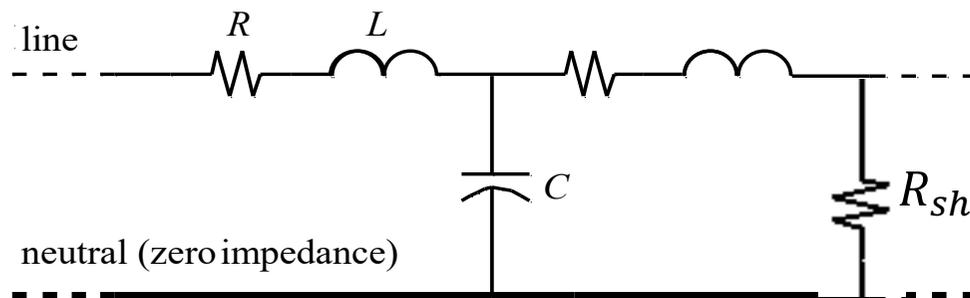
# Chapter 10

## Voltage stability

# Repetition of the Cousins of Resistance

- Resistance  $R$  [ $\Omega$ ]
- Capacitance  $C$  [ $F$ ] Farad
- Inductance  $L$  [ $H$ ] Henry
- Reactance  $X = \omega L$ ,  $X = \frac{1}{\omega C}$  [ $\Omega$ ]
- Impedance  $Z = R + i X$  [ $\Omega$ ]
- Conductance  $G = \frac{1}{R}$  [ $\Omega^{-1}$ ] = [*mho*] = [ $S$ ] Siemens
- Susceptance  $B$  [ $S$ ]
- Admittance  $\frac{1}{Z} = Y = G + j B$  [ $S$ ]

# Transmission Line Parameters:



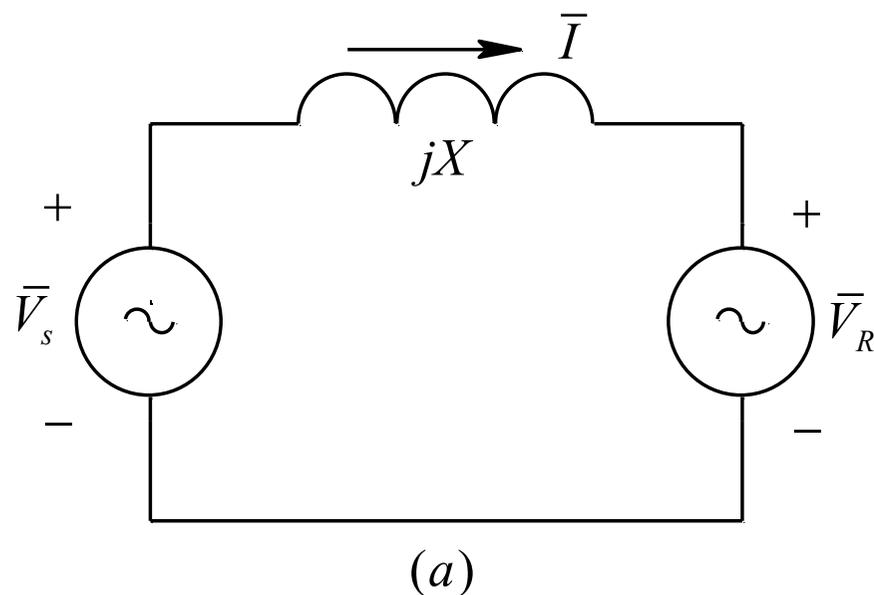
Distributed Parameters per km  
Analyzed on a per-phase basis

Nominal Voltage	$R$ ( $\Omega/km$ )	$\omega L$ ( $\Omega/km$ )	$\omega C$ ( $\mu mho/km$ )
230 kV	0.055	0.489	3.373
345 kV	0.037	0.376	4.518
500 kV	0.029	0.326	5.220
765 kV	0.013	0.339	4.988

Reactance (ind):  $X_L = \omega L$

Susceptance:  $B = \frac{1}{X_C} = \omega C$

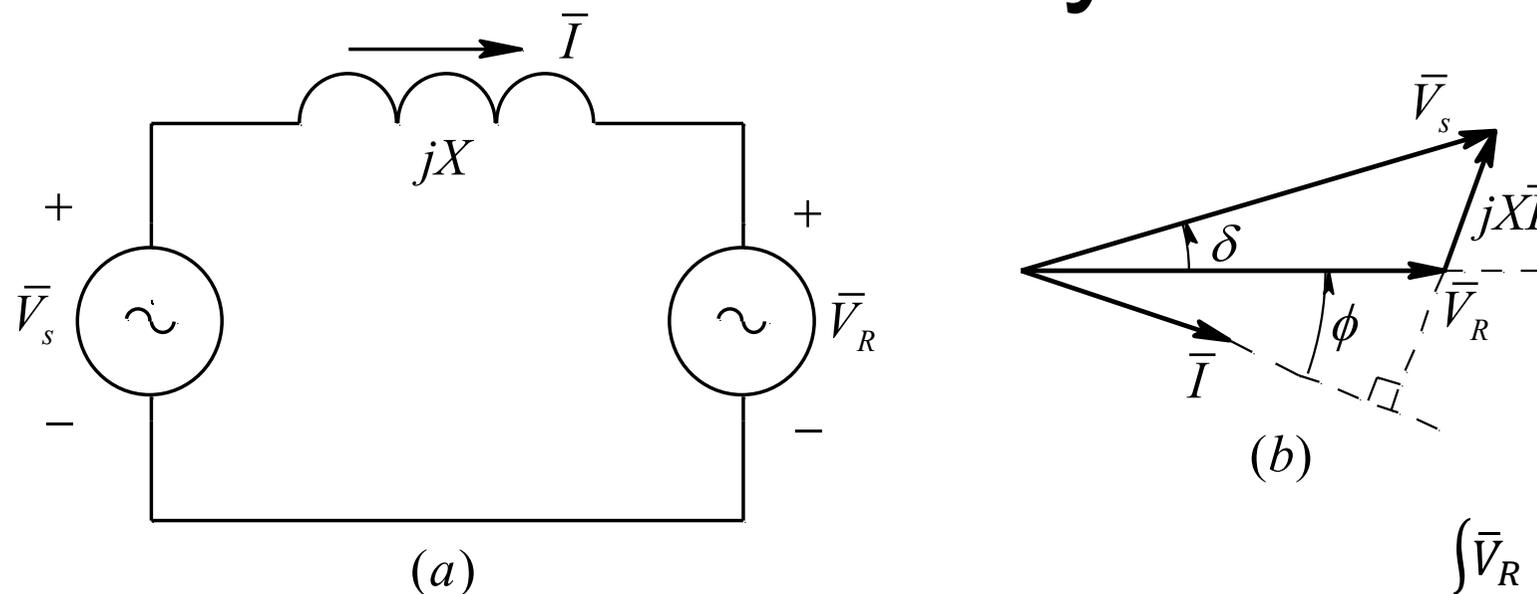
# Power Flow in AC Systems



- In long power lines the inductance dominates
- Inductance "eats" reactive power
- Need to supply reactive power to maintain voltage stability at high power transfers



# Power Flow in AC Systems



$$\begin{cases} \bar{V}_R = V_R \angle 0 \\ \bar{V}_S = V_S \angle \delta \end{cases}$$

Fig. 2-17 Power transfer between two ac systems.

$$P_R + jQ_R = \sqrt{3} \cdot \bar{V}_R \cdot \bar{I}^* = \sqrt{3} \cdot \bar{V}_R \left( \frac{\bar{V}_S - \bar{V}_R}{jX\sqrt{3}} \right)^* = \bar{V}_R \left( \frac{\bar{V}_S - \bar{V}_R}{jX} \right)^* \quad \text{Note } \sqrt{3} \text{ in the denominator since the voltages are ph-ph}$$

$$P_R + jQ_R = V_R \left( \frac{V_S \angle (-\delta) - V_R}{-jX_L} \right) = \frac{V_S V_R \sin \delta}{X_L} + j \left( \frac{V_S V_R \cos \delta - V_R^2}{X_L} \right)$$

# Power-Angle Diagram

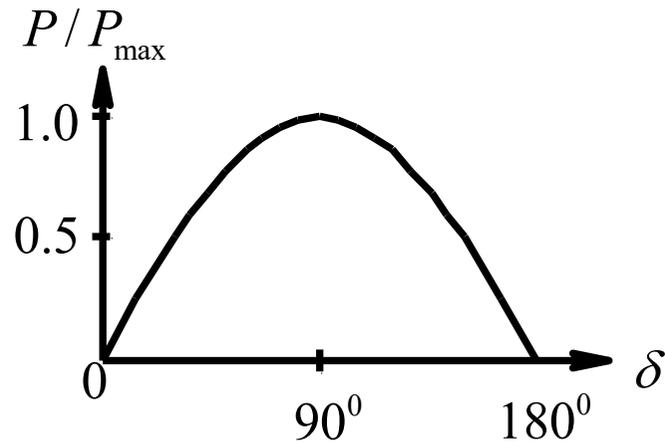


Fig. 2-18 Power as a function of  $\delta$ .

$$P_R = \frac{V_S V_R}{\underbrace{X}_{(=P_{\max})}} \sin \delta$$

# Reactive Power

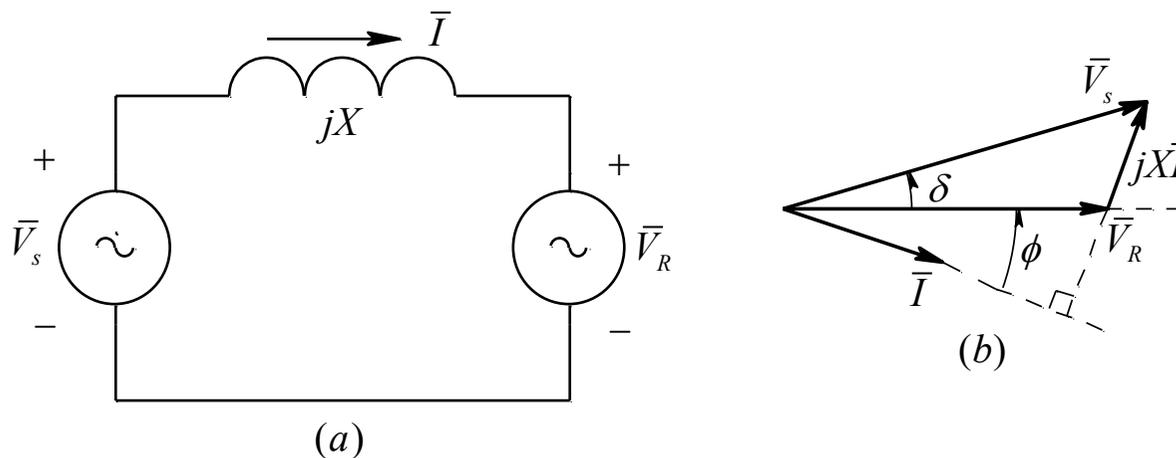


Fig. 2-17 Power transfer between two ac systems.

$$Q_R = \frac{V_S V_R \cos \delta}{X} - \frac{V_R^2}{X}$$

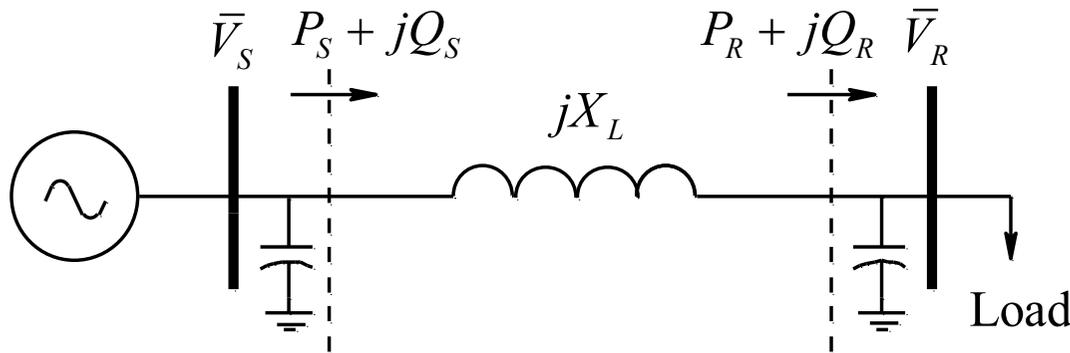
For small  $\delta$   
 $\cos \delta \approx 1$

$$Q_R = V_R \frac{V_S - V_R}{X}$$

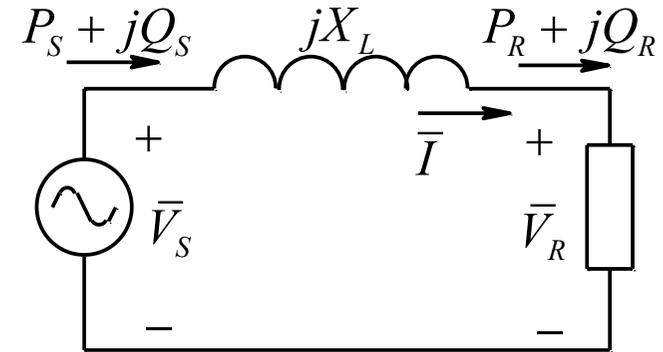
$Q_R$  defined by the voltage difference. Q flows from high to low voltage

# A Radial System

$$\begin{cases} \bar{V}_R = V_R \angle 0 \\ \bar{V}_S = V_S \angle \delta \end{cases}$$



(a)



(b)

Fig. 10-1 A radial system. Line B combined with load

$$\bar{I} = \frac{\bar{V}_S - \bar{V}_R}{jX_L \sqrt{3}}$$

$$S_R = P_R + jQ_R = \sqrt{3} \bar{V}_R \bar{I}^*$$

$$P_R + jQ_R = V_R \left( \frac{V_S \angle (-\delta) - V_R}{-jX_L} \right) = \frac{V_S V_R \sin \delta}{X_L} + j \left( \frac{V_S V_R \cos \delta - V_R^2}{X_L} \right)$$

# Voltages and Current Phasors with Both-Side Voltages at 1 PU

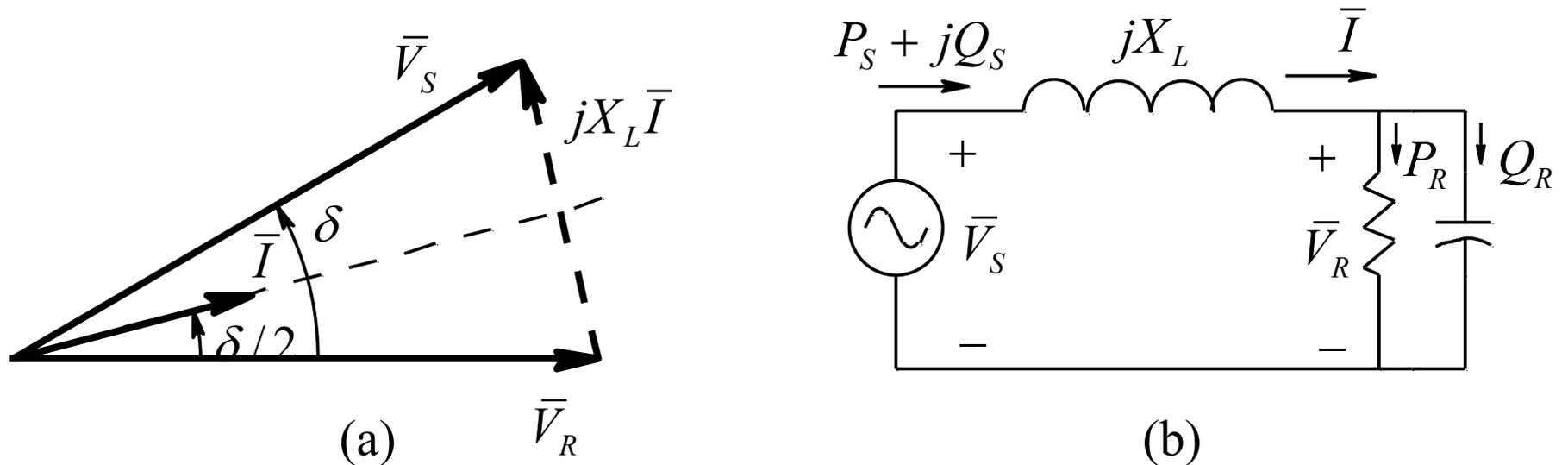


Fig. 10-2 Phasor diagram and the equivalent circuit with  $V_S = V_R = 1 \text{ pu}$  .

$$\bar{V}_S = \bar{V}_R + jX_L \bar{I} \quad Q_{Line} = I^2 X_L$$

$$Q_S = -Q_R \quad Q_S = Q_R + \underbrace{I^2 X_L}_{Q_{Line}} \quad I^2 X_L = Q_{Line} = 2|Q_R|$$

# Reactive Power Need at Higher Loading:

$$P_R = \frac{V_S V_R}{X_L} \sin \delta \qquad \frac{V_R}{V_S} = \cos \delta \left( \frac{1}{1 + \frac{Q_R}{V_R^2 / X_L}} \right)$$

- Both voltages close to 1 per unit
- Large power transfer means larger angle,  $\cos \delta \ll 1$
- $Q_R$  must be negative for  $\frac{V_R}{V_S} = 1$

# Voltage Profile for Three Values of SIL

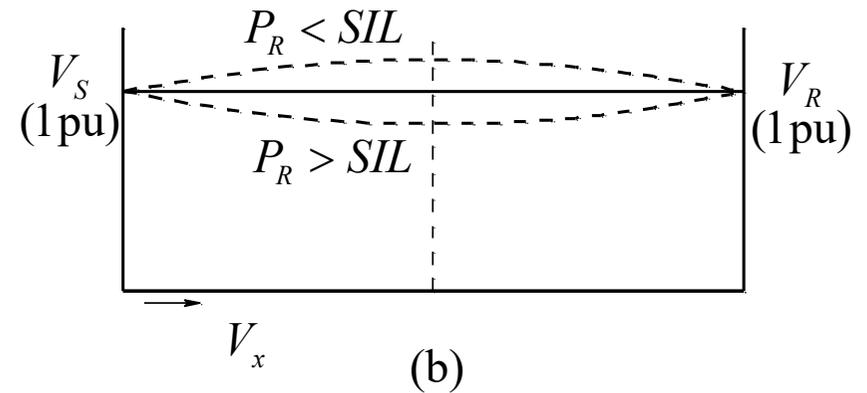
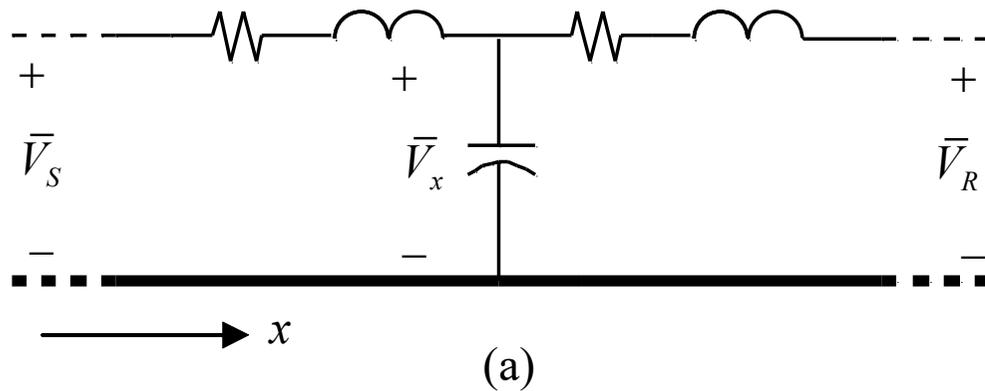


Fig. 10-3 Voltage profile along the transmission line.

## Surge Impedance Loading (SIL)

$$Z_c = \sqrt{\frac{L}{C}} = \sqrt{\frac{\omega L}{\omega C}} = \sqrt{\frac{Z}{B}} \quad \text{SIL} = \frac{V_{LL}^2}{Z_c}$$

345 kV example:

$$Z_c = \sqrt{\frac{0.376 \text{ ohm/km}}{4.5 \mu \text{ mho/km}}} = 289 \text{ ohm}$$

$$\text{SIL} = \frac{345^2}{289} = 413 \text{ MW}$$

# Voltage versus active power

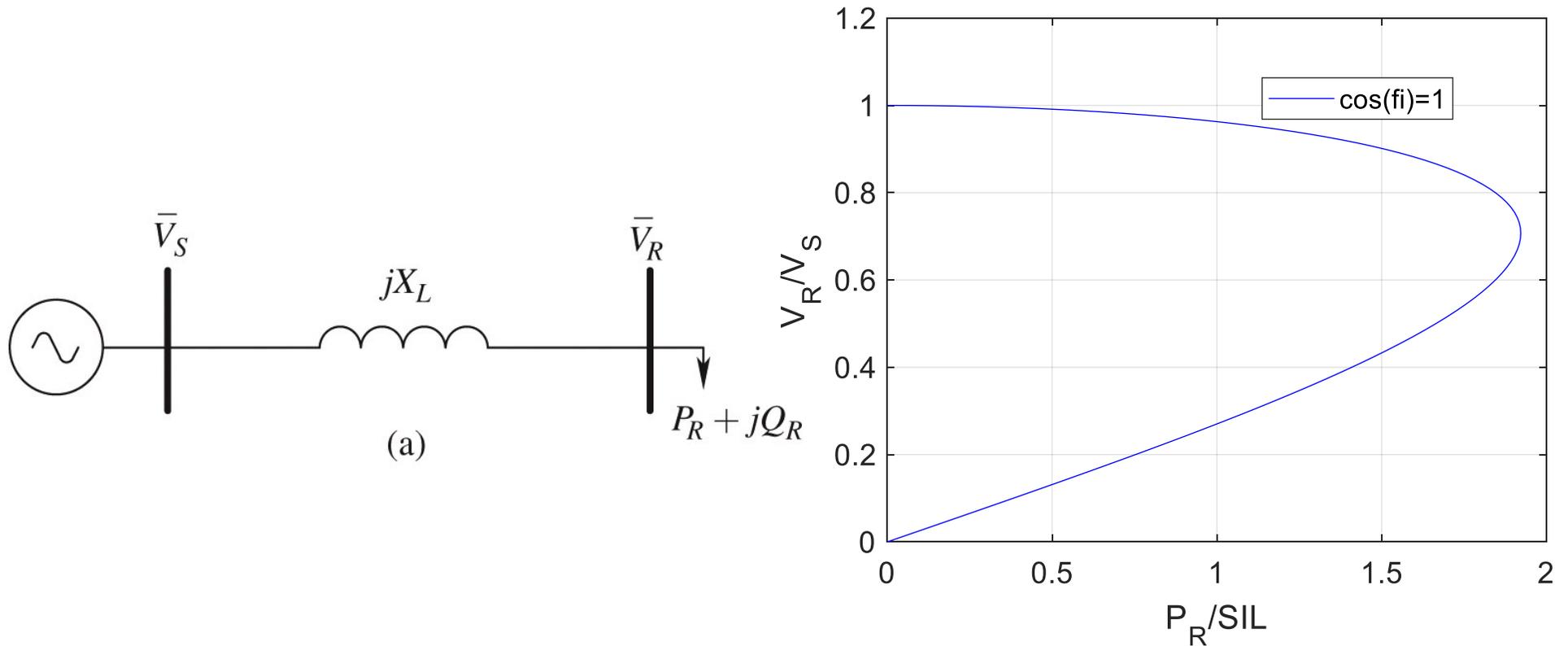
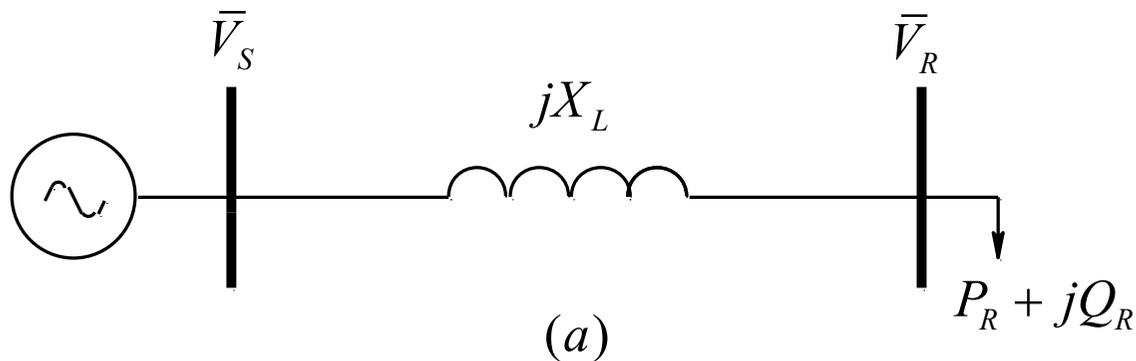


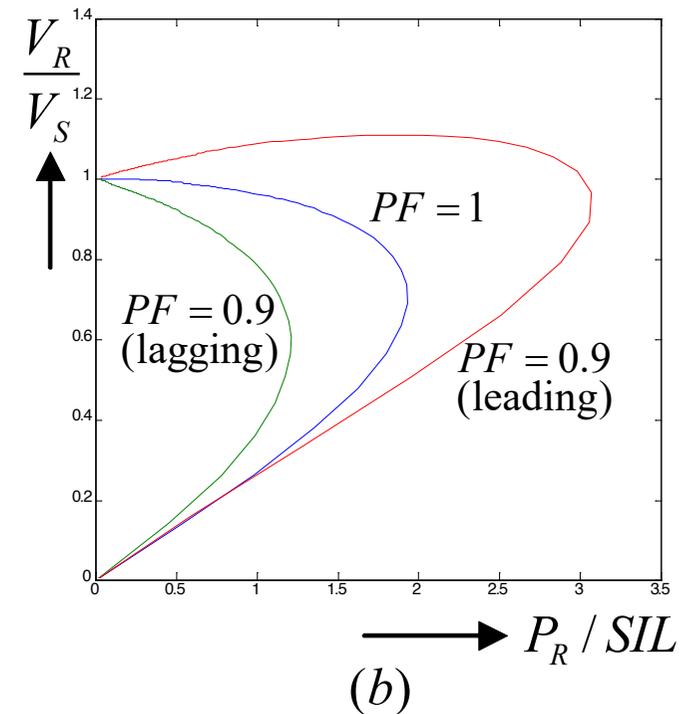
Figure 10.4  
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# “Nose” Curves at Three Power Factors as a function of Loading



Leading PF implies capacitive load.  $R+C$  or  $R//C$

Lagging PF implies inductive load.  $R+L$  or  $R//L$



# Prevention of Voltage Instability

- Voltage (excitation) Control of Synchronous Generators
- Shunt (Parallel) Reactive Power Compensation
- Series Reactive Power Compensation
  - Reduction of line  $X$

# Thevenin equivalent

Thevenin (2-pole) equivalent of dashed area equals

Voltage source

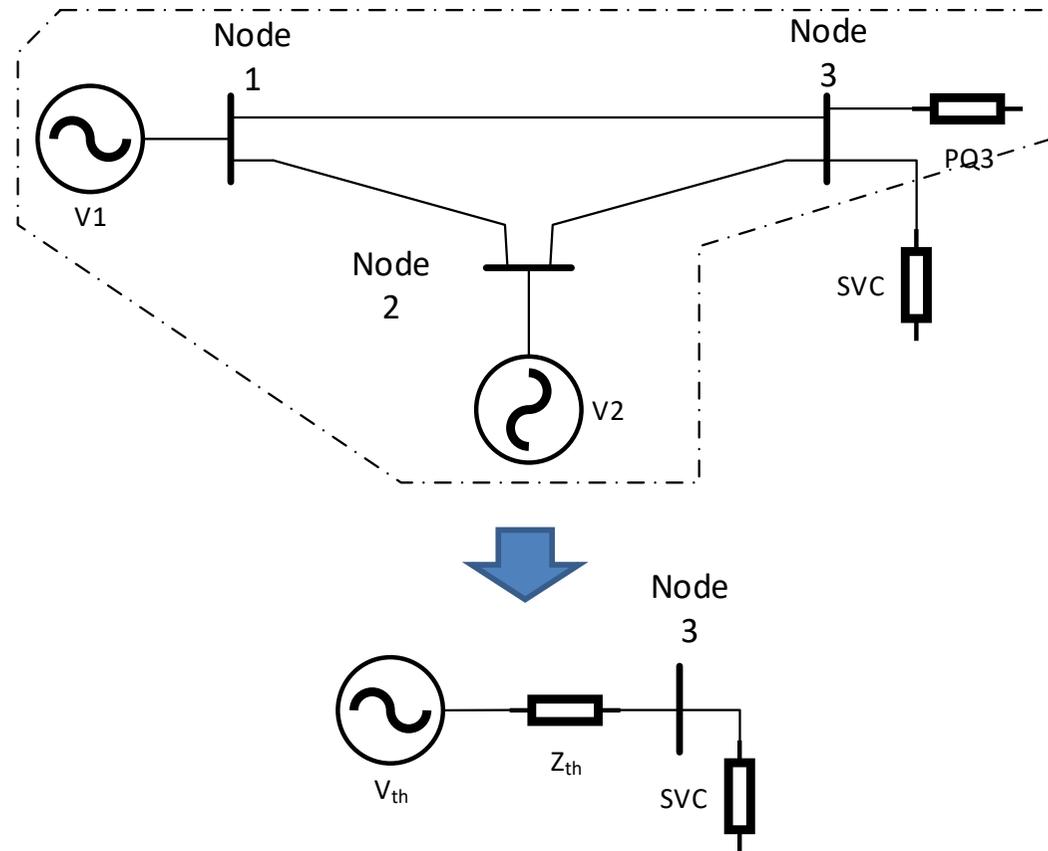
$$V_{th} = V_{oc}$$

$V_{oc} = \text{Open circuit voltage}$

Series impedance

$$Z_{th} = \frac{V_{oc}}{I_{sc}}$$

$I_{sc} = \text{Short circuit current}$



# Effect of Shunt Q compensation on Bus Voltage

$$\bar{V}_{bus} = \bar{V}_{Th} - jX_{Th}\bar{I}$$

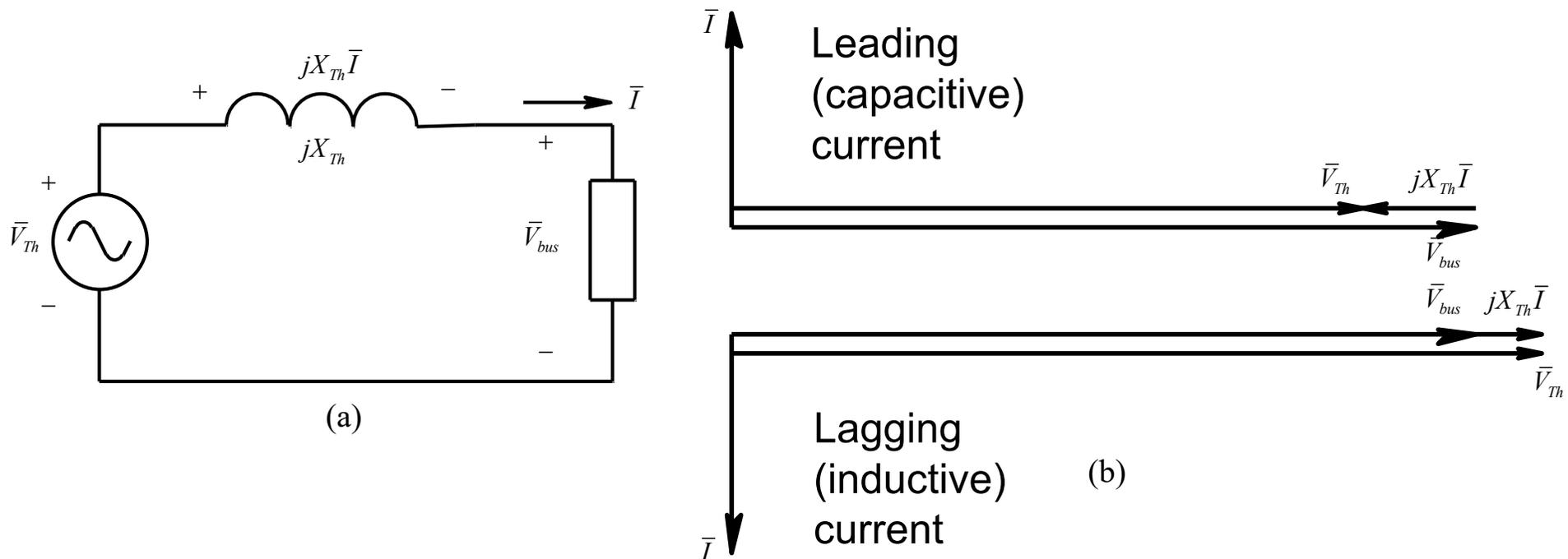
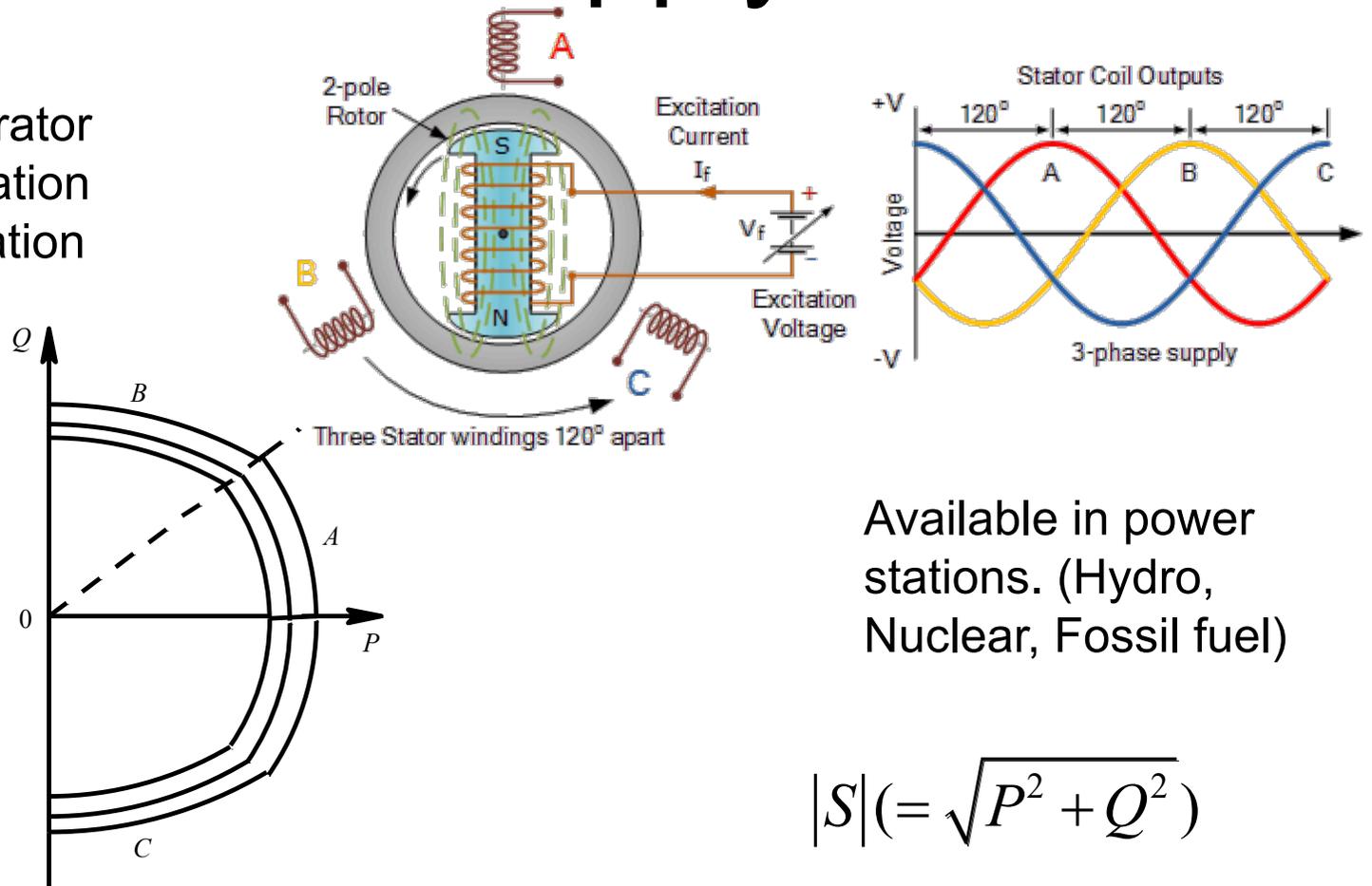


Fig. 10-6 Effect of leading and lagging currents due to the shunt compensating device.

# Synchronous Generator Reactive Power Supply

Wound rotor  
synchronous generator

- Rotor magnetisation control by excitation current
- Internal voltage defined by magnetisation



Available in power stations. (Hydro, Nuclear, Fossil fuel)

$$|S| (= \sqrt{P^2 + Q^2})$$

Fig. 10-5 Reactive power supply capability of synchronous generators.

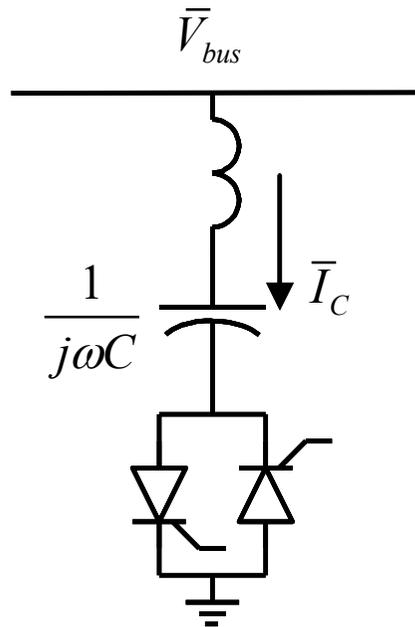
# Static Var Compensators (SVC)

- **SVC**
  - **Static.** A static (non-rotating) device
    - Controlled capacitor (**TSC**)
    - Controlled inductor (**TCR**)
    - Converter (**STATCOM**)
  - **Var:** Generates or consumes reactive power (unit VAR)
  - **Compensator:** Controlled system for compensation of large active power loading or generation

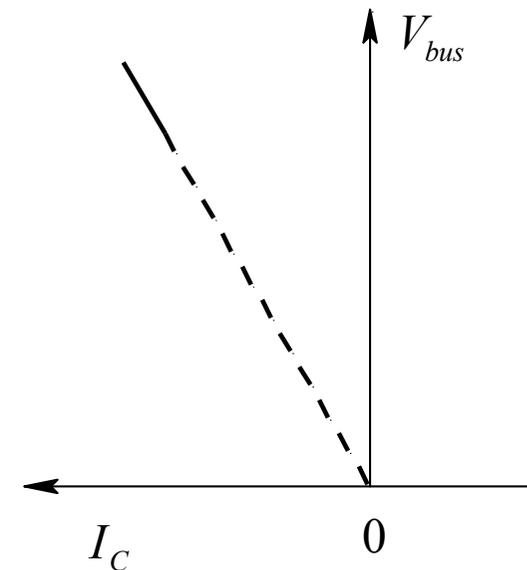
# Thyristor switched capacitor (TSC)

- **Switched capacitor**
  - Connected when thyristors are on
  - Disconnected when thyristors are off
- Gives leading current
- Inductor for reducing transients

$$I_c = V_{bus} \cdot \omega C$$



(a)



(b)

Fig. 10-7 V-I characteristic of SVC.

# Thyristor Controlled Reactors (TCR)

- Reactor = Inductor
- Thyristor turn-on delayed by angle  $\alpha$
- Gives lagging current  $I_L = \left[ 0.. \frac{V_{bus}}{\omega L} \right]$

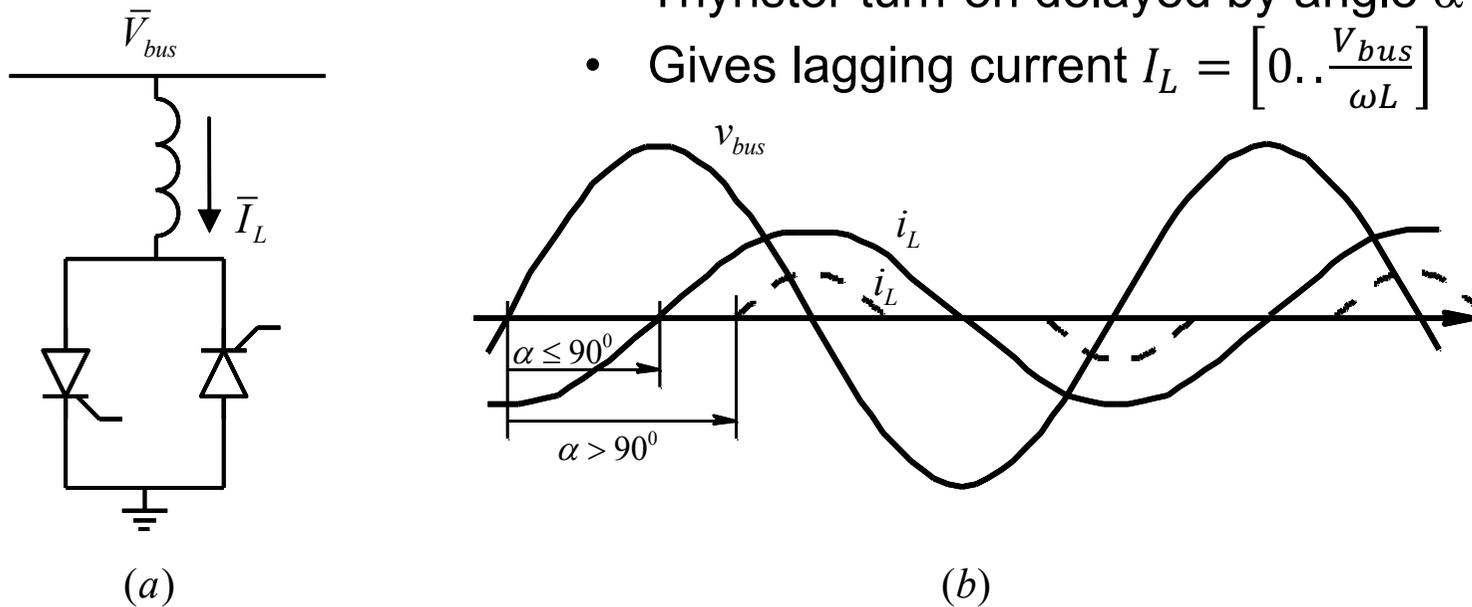
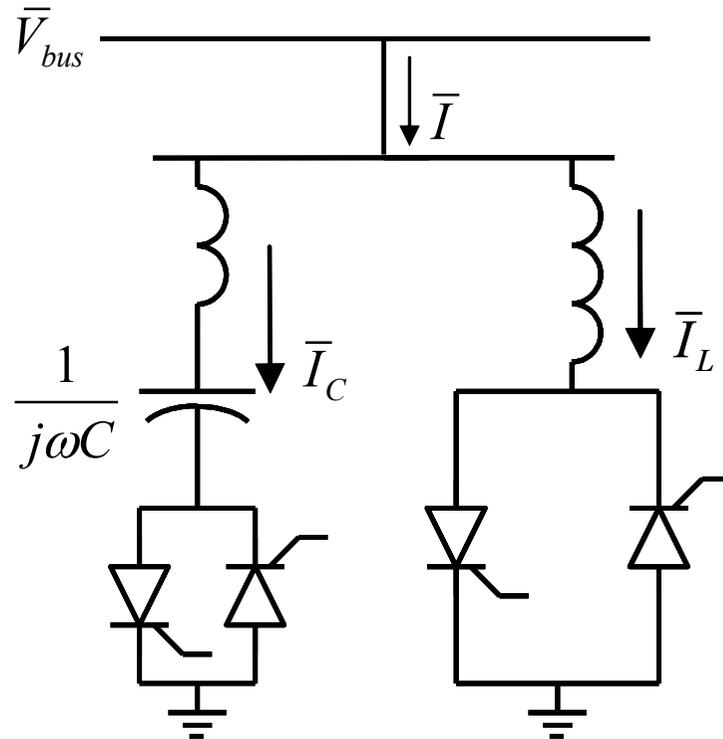
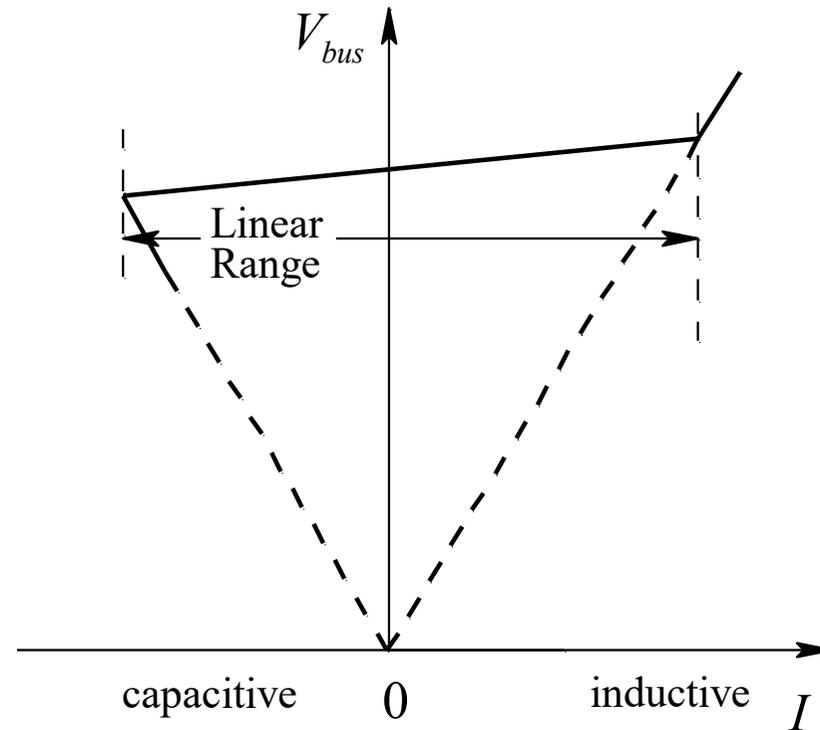


Fig. 10-8 Thyristor-Controlled Reactor (TCR).

# Voltage Control by TSC and TCR Combination



(a)

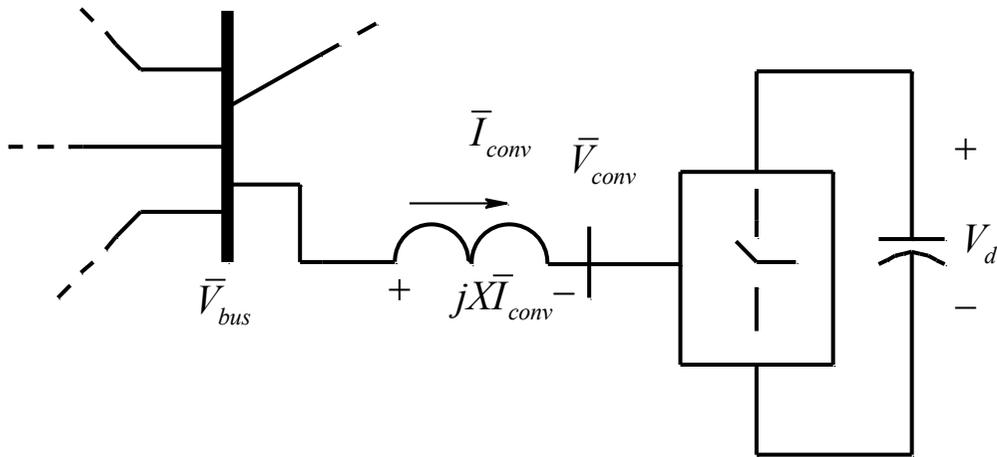


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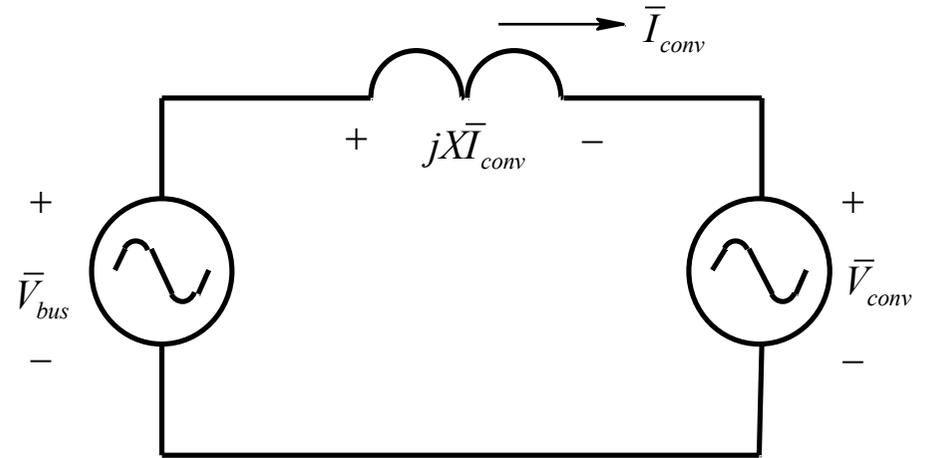
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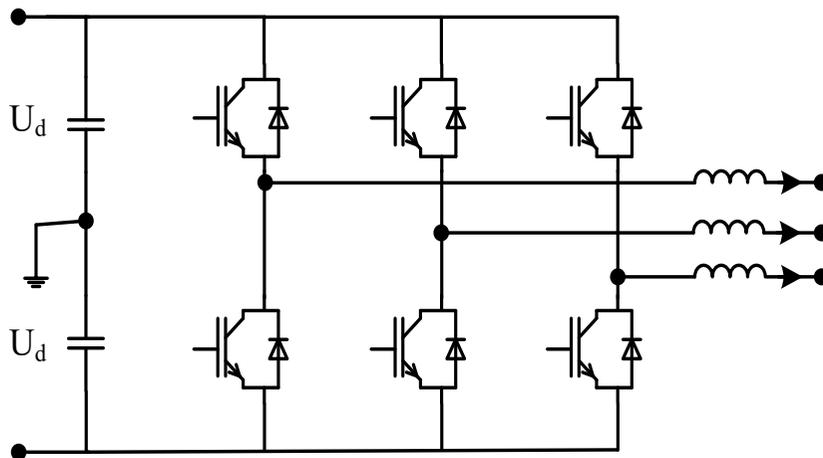
# STATCOM



(a)



(b)



## STATCOM

**STATIC COMPENSATOR**, same characteristic as synchronous machine, but static  
 Converter giving fully controlled capacitive or inductive current  
 Capacitive current limited by  $U_d$

# STATCOM V-I Characteristic

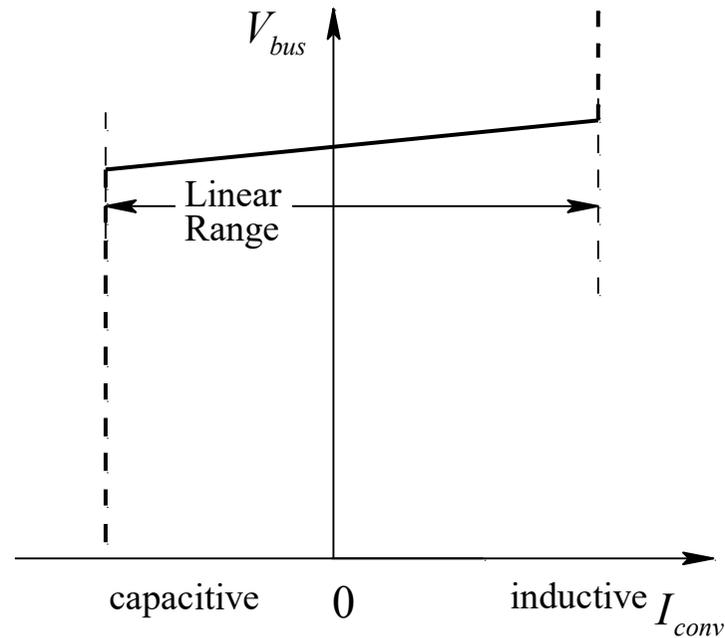
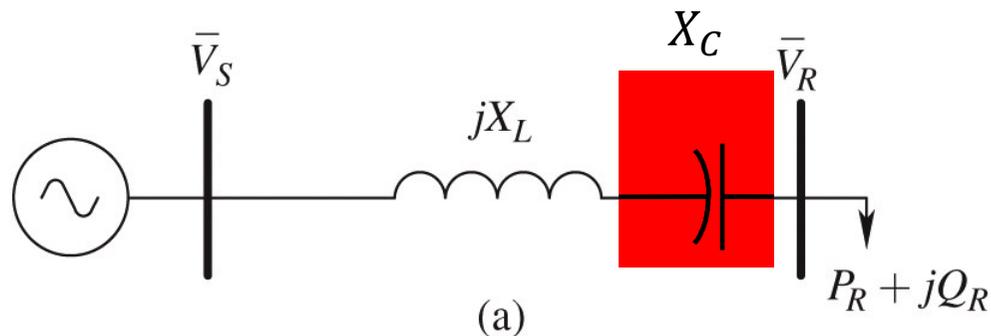


Fig. 10-11 STATCOM VI characteristic.

# Series compensation

Reactive power consumption of line inductance is compensated

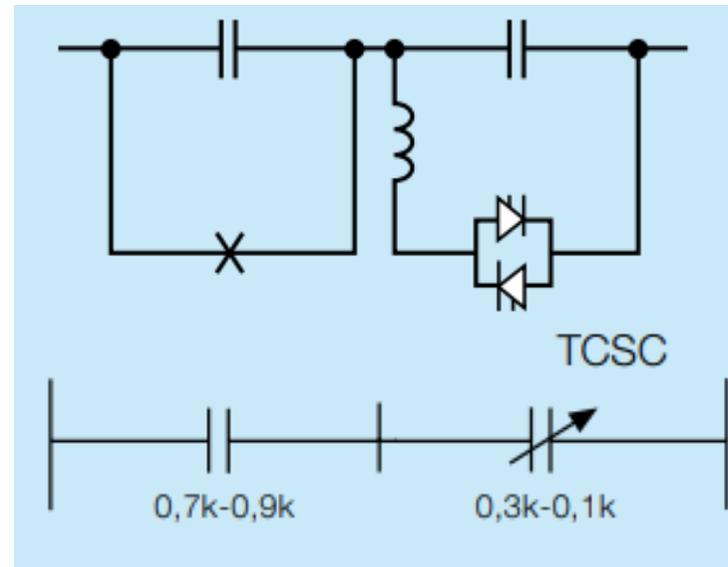
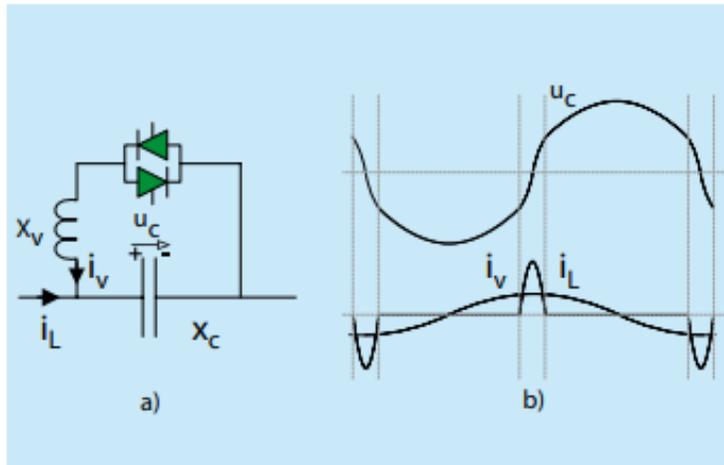


$$\bar{Z} = R + j(X_L - X_C)$$

$$\text{Surge impedance: } Z_C = \sqrt{\frac{X_L - X_C}{B}}$$

SIL increased

# Thyristor-Controlled Series Capacitor (TCSC)



Controlled capacitance  
Boosting of the voltage

$$V_c = \frac{I_c}{B} = \frac{I_c}{\omega C}$$

C appear smaller

Power flow control  
Damping of oscillations

# TCSC Installation

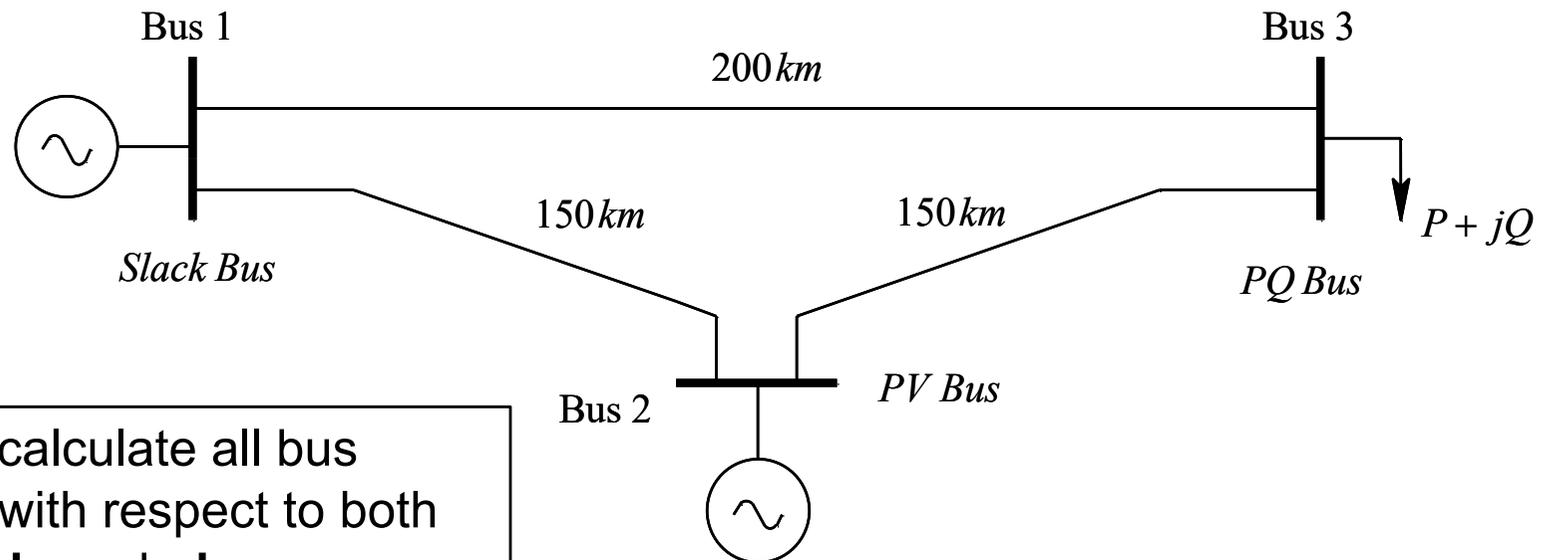


# Summary

- Load flow calculation principles
- Radial System Example
- Voltage Collapse at reactive power deficit
- Management of Voltage Stability
  - Synchronous Generators
  - Shunt Reactive Power Compensators, SVC
  - STATCOM
- Power flow control
  - Series compensation

# Chapter 5 Power flow calculation

# Power flow calculation for 3-Bus Example:



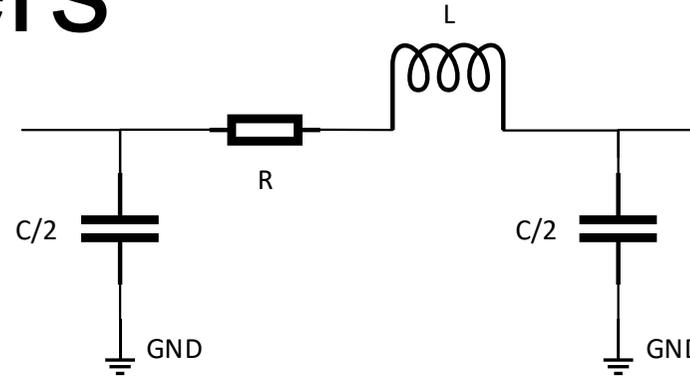
Goal: To calculate all bus voltages with respect to both **magnitude** and **phase**

## Example 5-4

1. Bus1, slack bus:  $V_1 = 1.0 \angle 0^\circ pu$  Fully defined
2. Bus2, PV-bus:  $V_2 = 1.05 pu, P_2^{sp} = 2.0 pu$  Unknown: angle( $V_2$ )
3. Bus3, PQ-bus:  $P_3^{sp} = -5.0 pu, Q_3^{sp} = -1.0 pu$  Unknown: magnitude( $V_3$ ) and angle( $V_3$ )

# Line parameters

Line parameters defined based on per km data for the given length



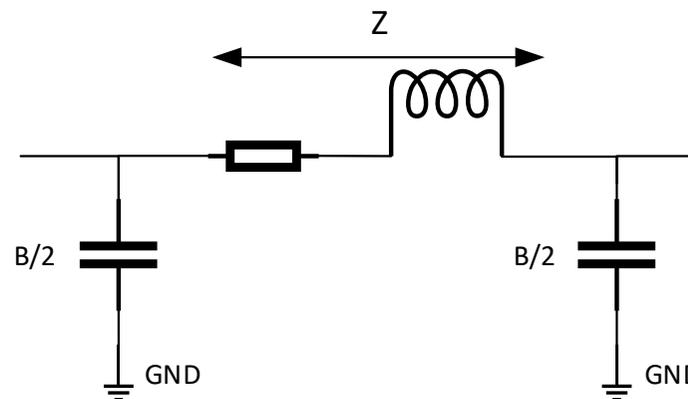
$$\text{Impedance: } \bar{Z} = R + jX \text{ [ohm]}$$

$$\text{Admittance: } \bar{Y} = \frac{1}{\bar{Z}} = G + jB \text{ [mho]}$$

$$\text{Susceptance: } B = \frac{1}{X_C} = \omega C \text{ [mho]}$$

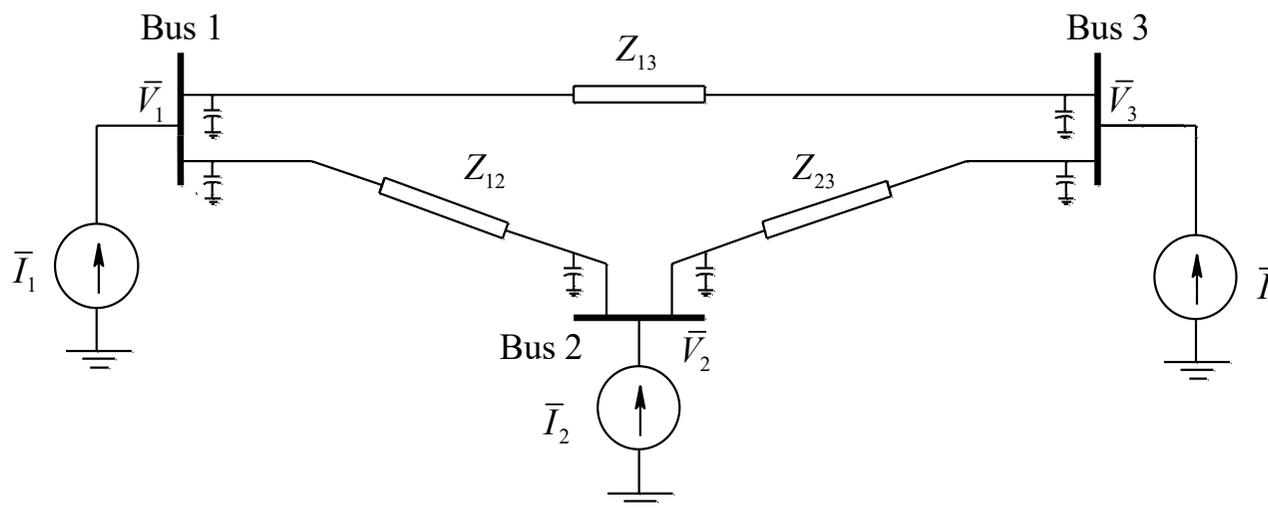
$$\bar{U} = \bar{Z} \cdot \bar{I}$$

$$\bar{I} = \bar{Y} \cdot \bar{U}$$



# Building the Admittance Matrix

- $\bar{I}_k, \bar{V}_k$  is the current and voltage at bus (node) k
- $\bar{V}_m$  is the voltage in other end of line connected to node k



$$\bar{I}_k = \bar{V}_k Y_{kG} + \sum_{\substack{m \\ m \neq k}} \frac{\bar{V}_k - \bar{V}_m}{Z_{km}}$$

$$\bar{I}_k = \bar{V}_k \left( Y_{kG} + \sum_{\substack{m \\ m \neq k}} \frac{1}{Z_{km}} \right) - \sum_{\substack{m \\ m \neq k}} \frac{\bar{V}_m}{Z_{km}}$$

- $Y_{kG}$  is the total admittance to ground at bus (node) k
- For each line, total B is split equally between the ends of the line

$$Y_{kG} = j \sum_{\substack{m \\ m \neq k}} \frac{B_{km}}{2}$$

# Admittance Matrix

Symmetrical matrix with no of rows and columns equal to no of nodes

$$\begin{bmatrix} \bar{I}_1 \\ \bar{I}_2 \\ \dots \\ \bar{I}_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} Y_{11} & Y_{12} & \dots & \dots & \dots & Y_{1n} \\ Y_{21} & Y_{22} & \dots & \dots & \dots & Y_{2n} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ Y_{n1} & Y_{n2} & \dots & \dots & \dots & Y_{nn} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \bar{V}_1 \\ \bar{V}_2 \\ \dots \\ \bar{V}_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Y_{kk} = Y_{kG} + \sum_{\substack{m \\ m \neq k}} \frac{1}{Z_{km}}$$

$$Y_{km} = -\frac{1}{Z_{km}}$$

$$\bar{V}_m = V_m e^{j\theta_m}$$

$$\bar{I}_k = \sum_{m=1}^n Y_{km} \bar{V}_m$$

# Basic Power Flow Equations

Bus  $k$  conditions  
given by a row of  
the  $Y$  matrix

$$\bar{V}_m = V_m e^{j\theta_m}$$

$$\bar{I}_k = \sum_{m=1}^n Y_{km} \bar{V}_m$$

$$P_k + jQ_k = \bar{V}_k \bar{I}_k^*$$

# Nonlinear system equations

$$P_R = \frac{V_S V_R}{X} \sin \delta \quad Q_R = \frac{V_S V_R \cos \delta}{X} - \frac{V_R^2}{X}$$

MATLAB function `fsolve` for solving nonlinear system of equations

## `fsolve`

Solve system of nonlinear equations

Nonlinear system solver

Solves a problem specified by

$$F(x) = 0$$

for  $x$ , where  $F(x)$  is a function that returns a vector value.

$x$  is a vector or a matrix; see [Matrix Arguments](#).

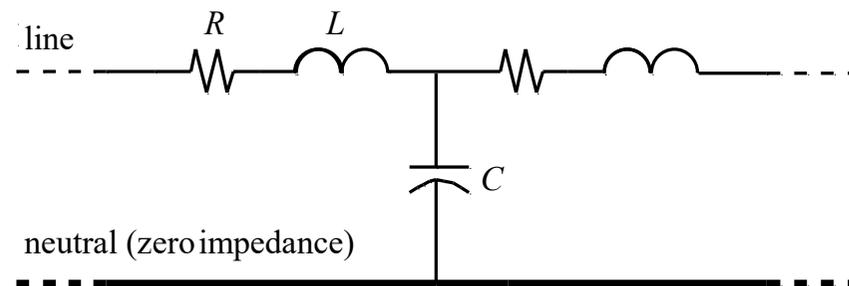
# Transmission lines in 345 kV example system

From Table 4-1:

series reactance =  $0.376 \Omega/km$ ,

series resistance =  $0.037 \Omega/km$ ,

shunt susceptance  $B(= \omega C) = 4.5 \mu\mathcal{S}/km$



$$Z_{12} = (0.037 + j0.376) \cdot Length_{(1-2)} \text{ ohm}$$

$$B_{12} = 4.5 \cdot Length_{(1-2)} \mu\text{ohm}$$

Line	Series Impedance $Z$ in $\Omega$ (pu)	Total Susceptance $B$ in $\mu\mathcal{S}$ (pu)
1-2	$Z_{12} = (5.55 + j56.4)\Omega = (0.0047 + j0.0474) \text{ pu}$	$B_{Total} = 675\mu\mathcal{S} = (0.8034) \text{ pu}$
1-3	$Z_{13} = (7.40 + j75.2)\Omega = (0.0062 + j0.0632) \text{ pu}$	$B_{Total} = 900\mu\mathcal{S} = (1.0712) \text{ pu}$
2-3	$Z_{23} = (5.55 + j56.4)\Omega = (0.0047 + j0.0474) \text{ pu}$	$B_{Total} = 675\mu\mathcal{S} = (0.8034) \text{ pu}$

$$Z_{base} = \frac{U_{ph}^2}{S_{ph}} = \frac{U_{LL}^2}{S_{3ph}} = \frac{345kV^2}{100MVA} = 1190 \text{ ohm}$$

$$Y_{base} = 1 / Z_{base}$$

# Fsolve equation setup

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function [ dpq,pq,vk,ik ] = PFsolve( x,y,vref,pqref )
```

```
%PFsolve Summary of this function goes here
```

```
% x: variables for solution
```

```
% y: admittance matrix
```

```
% vref: voltage references for slack-bus or PV-busses.
```

```
%     Complex value if angle is defined for slack-bus.
```

```
% pqref: p-references for PV-busses and p+jq for PQ-busses.
```

$$V_1 = 1.0 \angle 0^\circ \text{ pu}$$

$$V_2 = 1.05 \text{ pu}$$

```
% Node voltages
```

```
vk(1,1)=vref(1);
```

```
vk(2,1)=vref(2)*exp(1j*x(1));
```

```
vk(3,1)=x(2)*exp(1j*x(3));
```

x(1): Unknown: angle( $V_2$ )

x(2): Unknown: magnitude( $V_3$ )

x(3): Unknown angle( $V_3$ )

```
% Injected currents into nodes
```

```
ik=y*vk;
```

```
% Injected power into nodes
```

```
pq=vk.*conj(ik);
```

$$P_2 = P_2^{sp}$$

$$P_3 = P_3^{sp}$$

$$Q_3 = Q_3^{sp}$$

```
% Equations to solve for zero through variables in x
```

```
dpq(1)=real(pqref(2)-pq(2));
```

```
dpq(2)=real(pqref(3)-pq(3));
```

```
dpq(3)=imag(pqref(3)-pq(3));
```

```
end
```

# Power Flow Results in the Example Power System

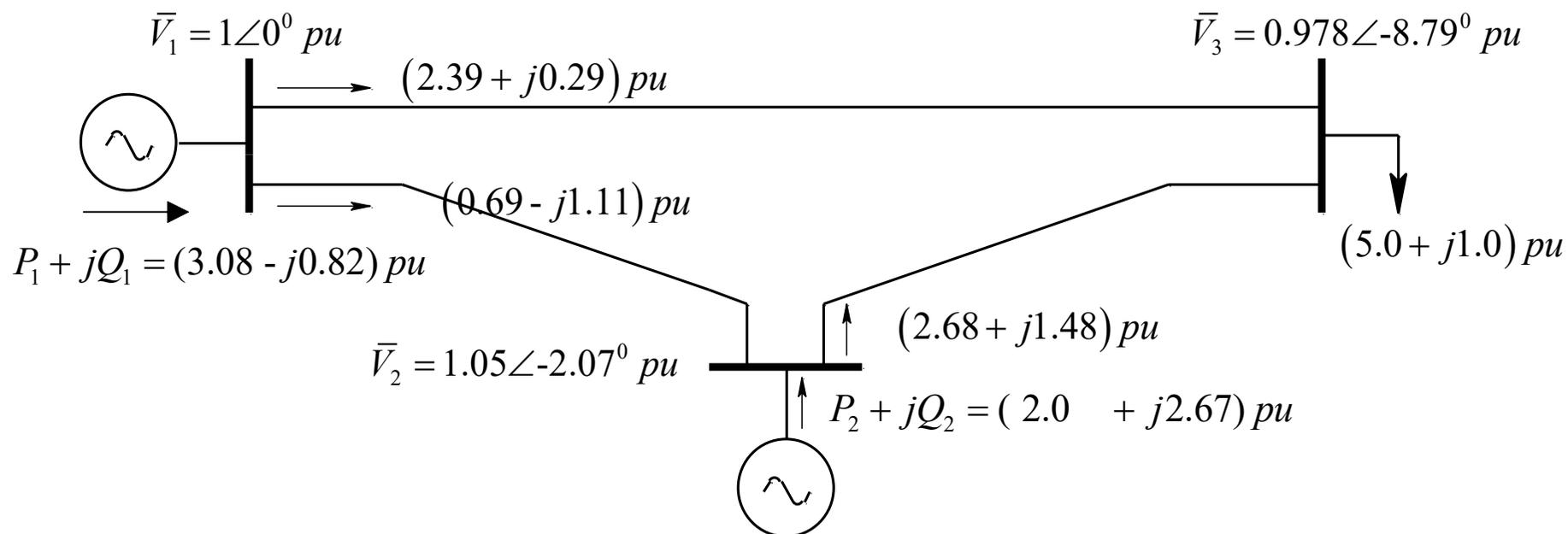


Fig. 5-4 Power-Flow results of Example 5-4.

```
x=fsolve(@PFsolve, x0, [], y, vref, pqref)
```

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