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METER FORMS

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AGENDA

Meters 101 - Electro-Mechanical vs Solid-State

Meter Forms

Self-Contained vs Transformer Rated

Blondel's Theorem

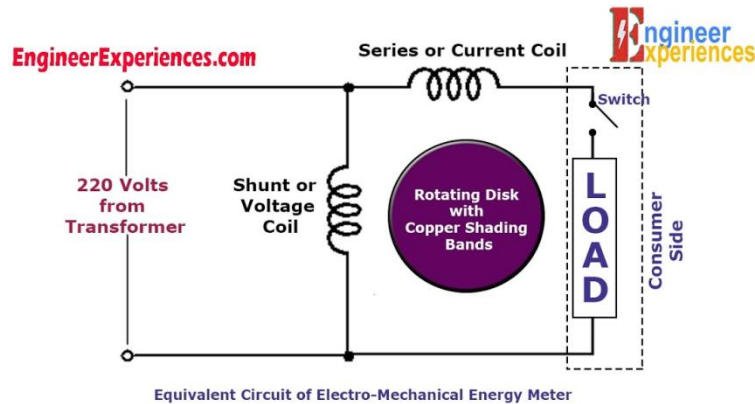
Available References (Hardy's, UGLY's Elect Ref)

Examples

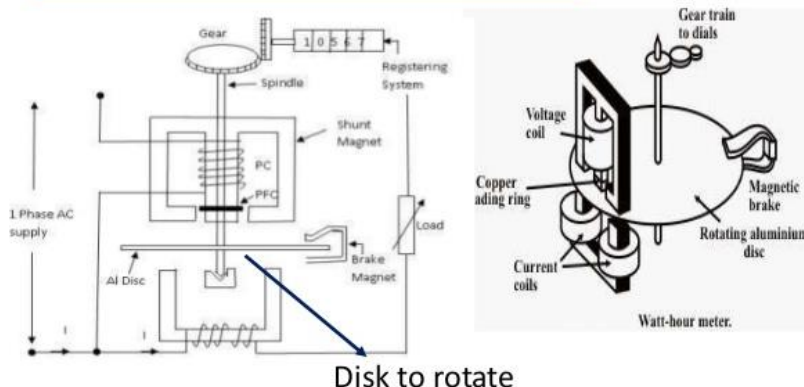
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METERS 101 – ELECTRO-MECHANICAL

Overview of Functionality



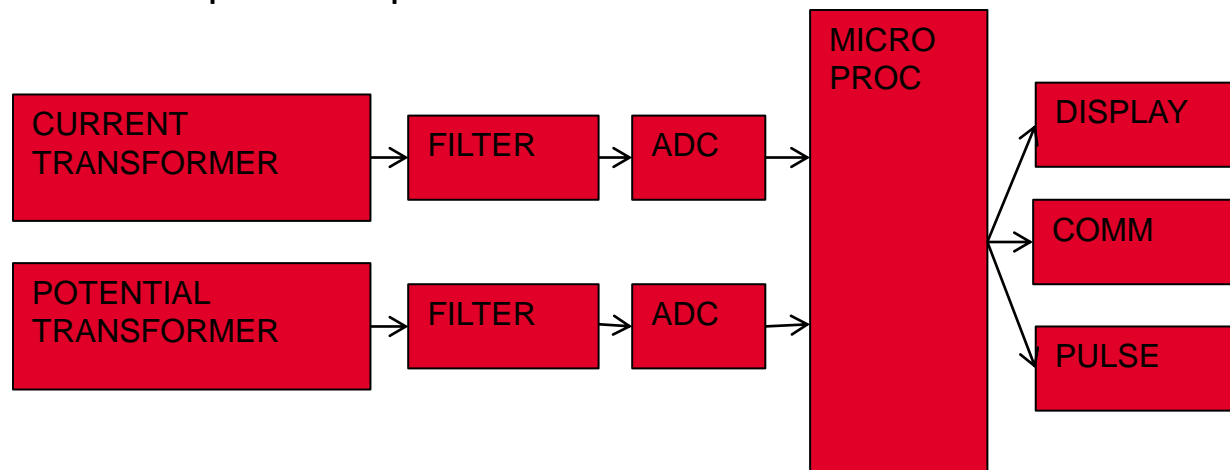
Electromechanical energy meter continue...



- The electromechanical induction meter operates through electromagnetic induction
- A non-magnetic, but electrically conductive, metal disc which is made to rotate at a speed proportional to the power passing through the meter
- The disc is acted upon by two sets of induction coils, which form, in effect, a two phase linear induction motor.
- One coil is connected in such a way that it produces a magnetic flux in proportion to the voltage
- The other coil produces a magnetic flux in proportion to the current.
- The field of the voltage coil is delayed by 90 degrees, due to the coil's inductive nature, and calibrated using a lag coil
- This produces eddy currents in the disc and the effect is such that a force is exerted on the disc in proportion to the product of the instantaneous current and instantaneous voltage
- A permanent magnet acts as an eddy current brake, exerting an opposing force proportional to the speed of rotation of the disc
- The equilibrium between these two opposing forces results in the disc rotating at a speed proportional to the power or rate of energy usage
- The disc drives a register mechanism which counts revolutions, much like the odometer in a car, in order to render a measurement of the total energy used.
- The amount of energy represented by one revolution of the disc is denoted by the symbol Kh which is given in units of watt-hours per revolution.
- A Kh of 7.2 is typical. In this example, each full rotation of the disc is equivalent to 7.2Wh of energy.

Overview of Functionality

- Potential and Current is scaled down and conditioned with transformers and filters
- ADC's (analog to digital converters) digitize the signals
- A micro-processor or DSP executes the calculations
- Resulting data is displayed, sent externally via the communication circuits, and used for the calibrated pulse output





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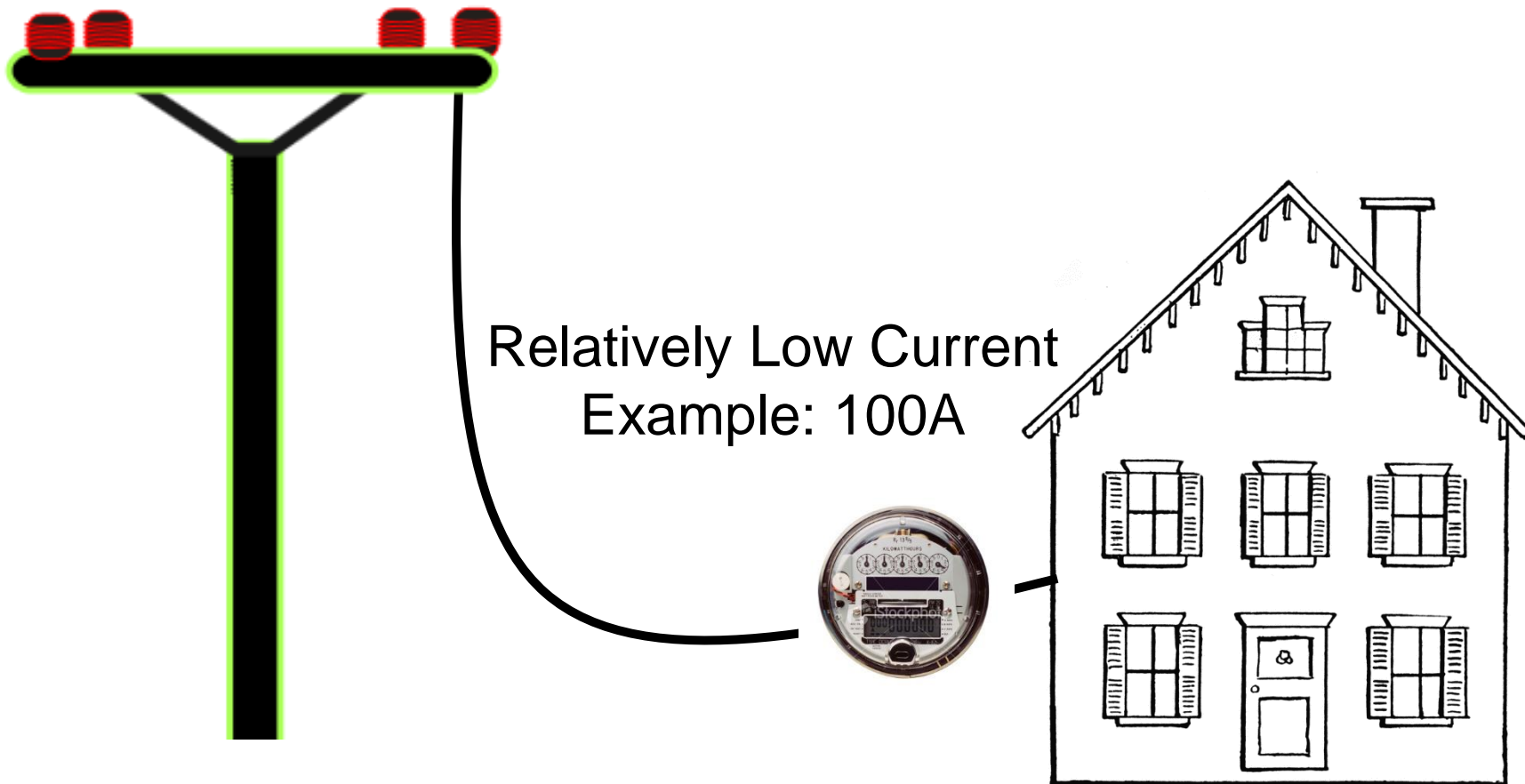
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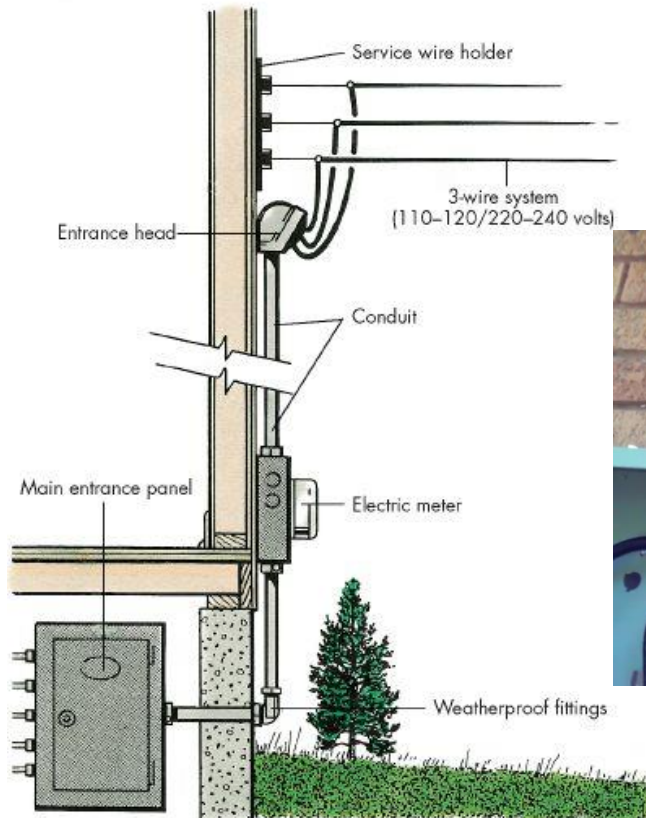
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SELF-CONTAINED METERS

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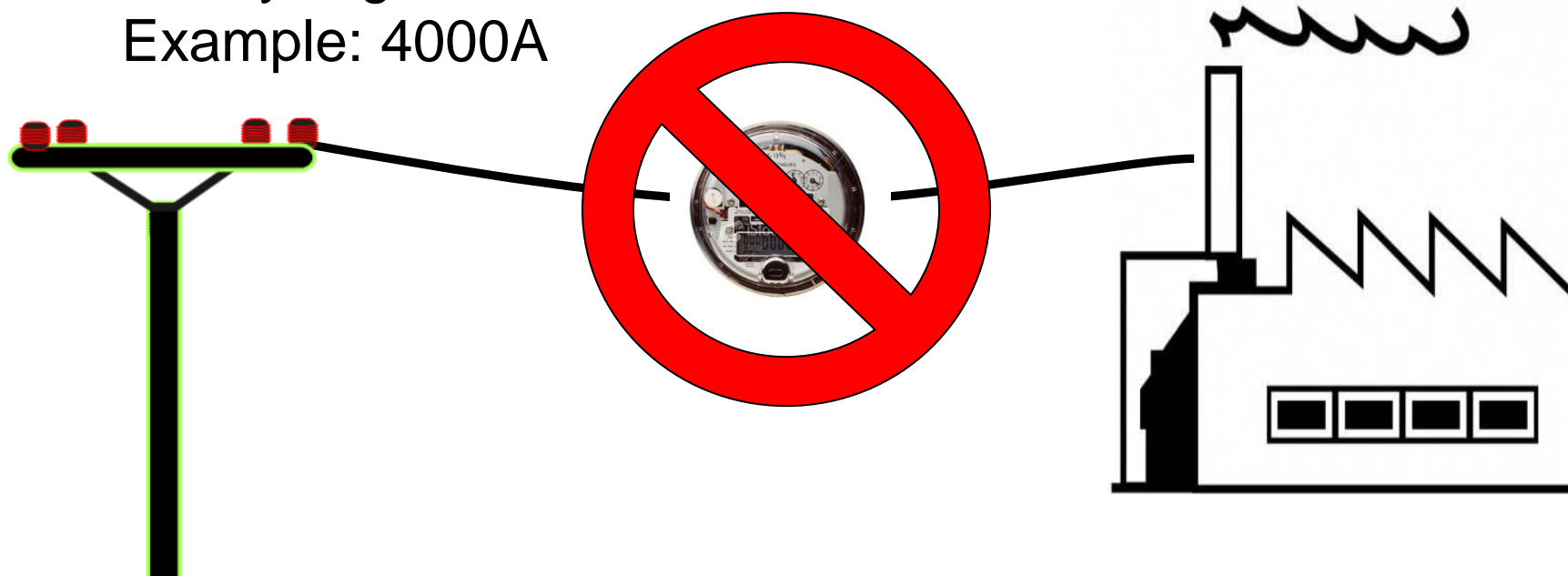
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TRANSFORMER-RATED METERS

Primarily Commercial/Industrial

Relatively High Current
Example: 4000A

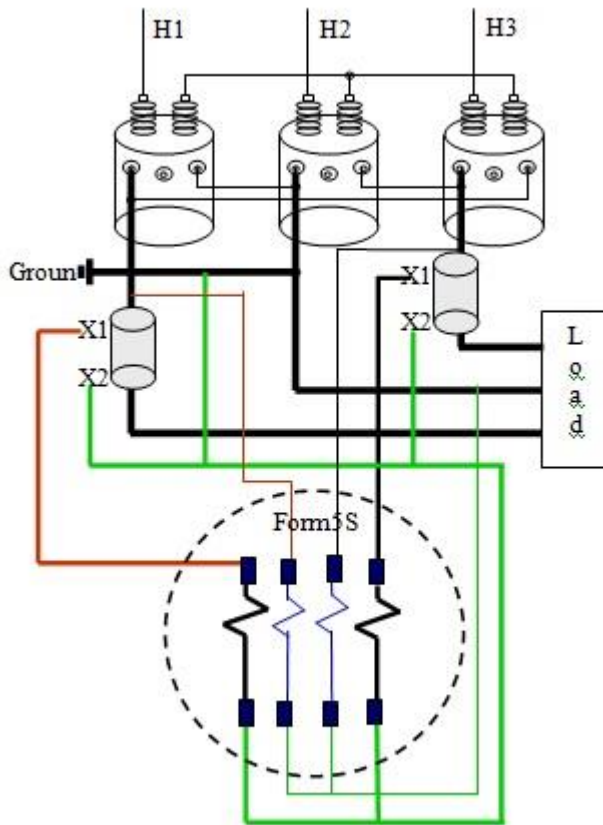




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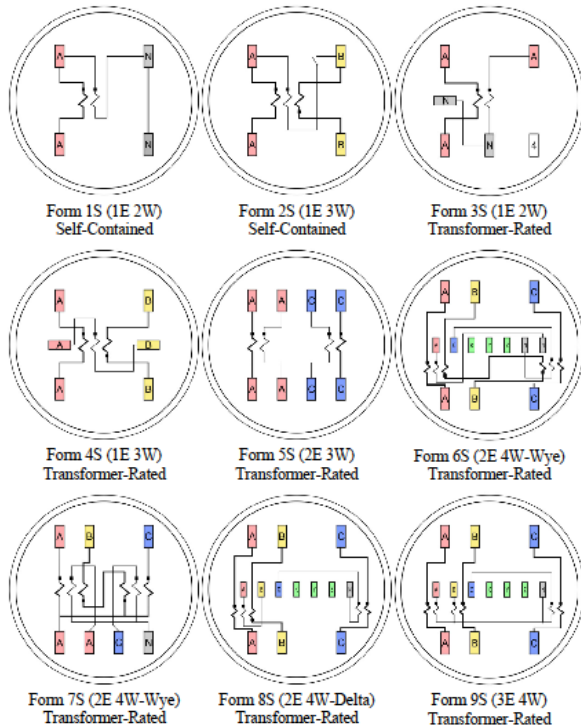
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Chapter 2: Introduction to Metering

Meter Forms

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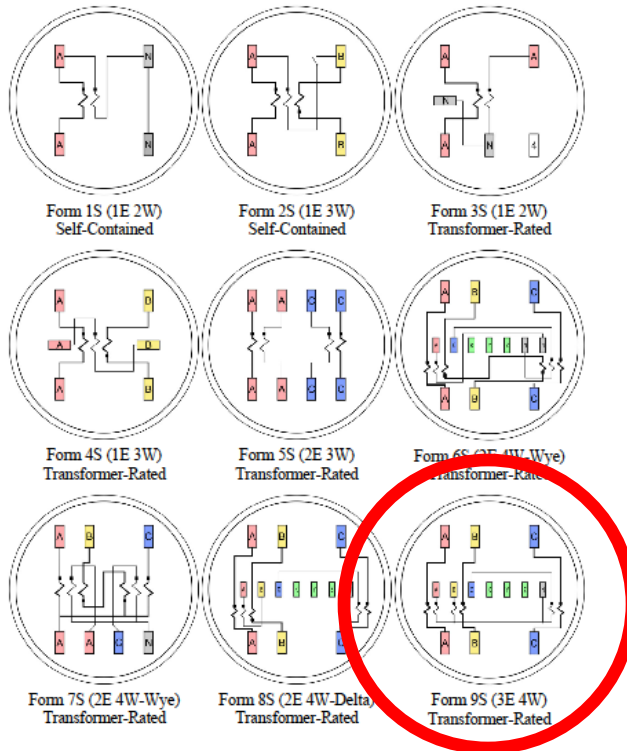
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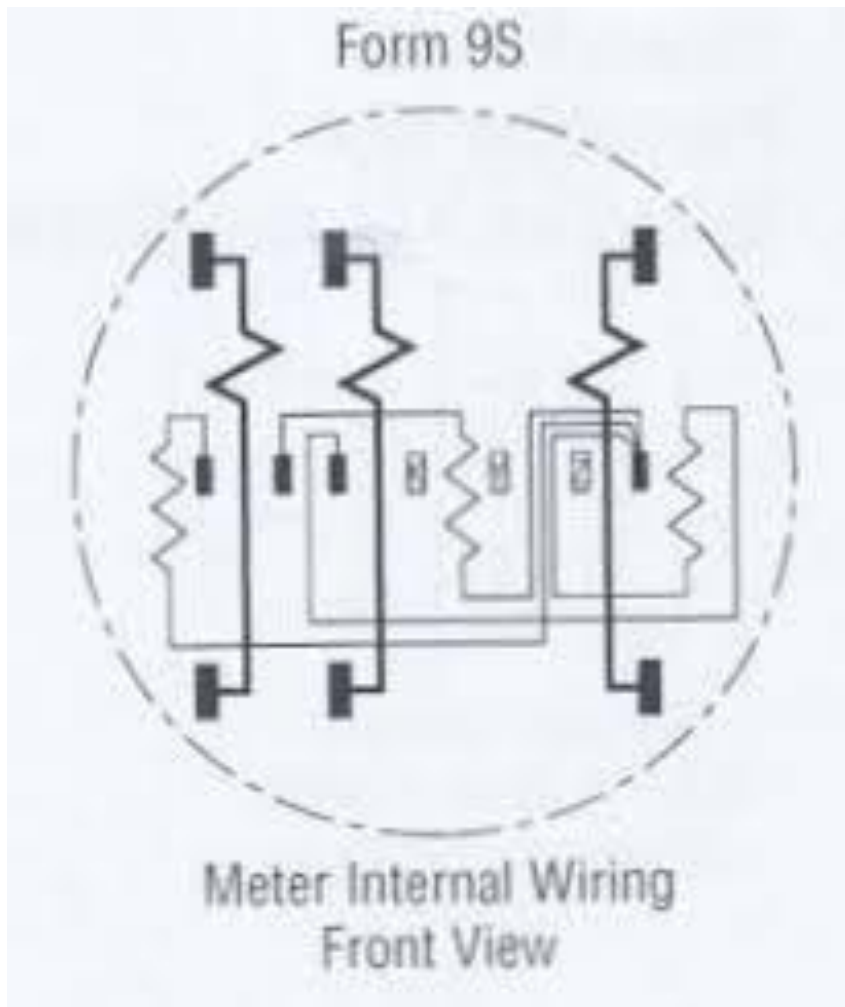
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DIAGRAM EXAMPLE



- 3 Current Coils
- 3 Potential Coils

BLONDEL'S THEOREM



- French Electrical Engineer Andre Blondel
- Attempt to simplify electrical measurements and validation of the results
- Paper submitted to the International Electric Congress in Chicago in 1893.

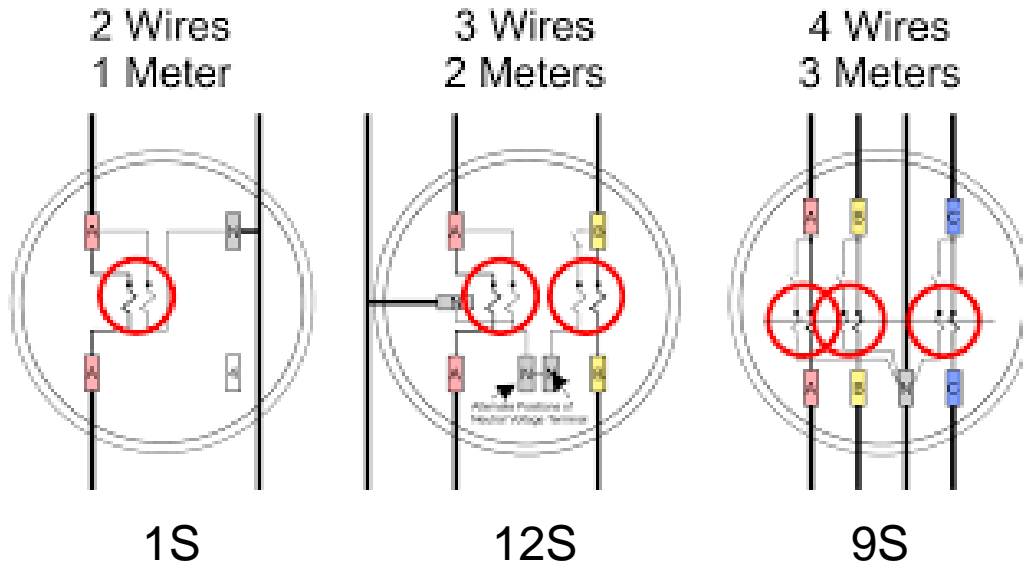
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Blondel Compliant

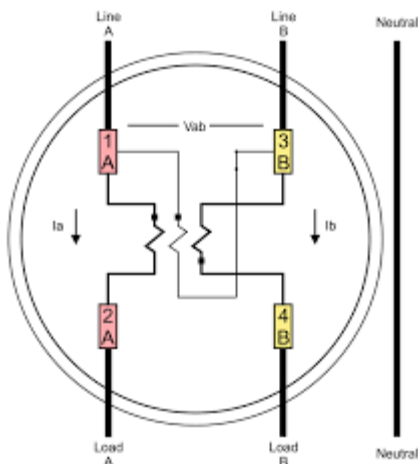
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Non-Blondel Compliant



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Why is non-Blondel metering bad?

- Makes assumptions about the service
- Example: balanced voltages
- Assumptions might not be true
- When these assumptions are not true, then there are power measurement errors even if the meter is working perfectly.

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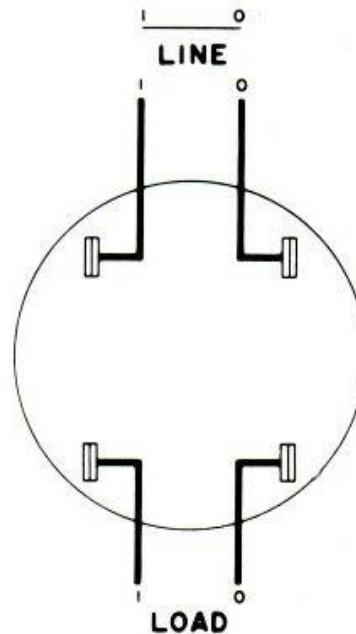
- Fewer elements (meters) = lower cost
- Especially true for electro-mechanical meters
- Fewer CT's and PT's = lower cost
- Less wiring and cheaper sockets

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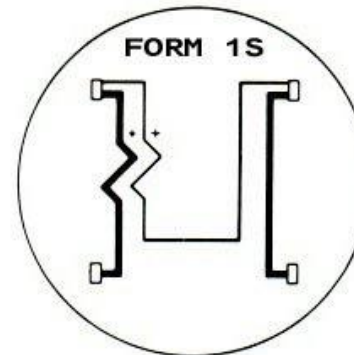


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METERING EXAMPLES



All sockets are viewed from the front.
All meters are viewed from the front,
not from the base.



FORM 1S

1Ø, 2 W CIRCUIT

1 Stator, 2 W Meter, Self-Contained

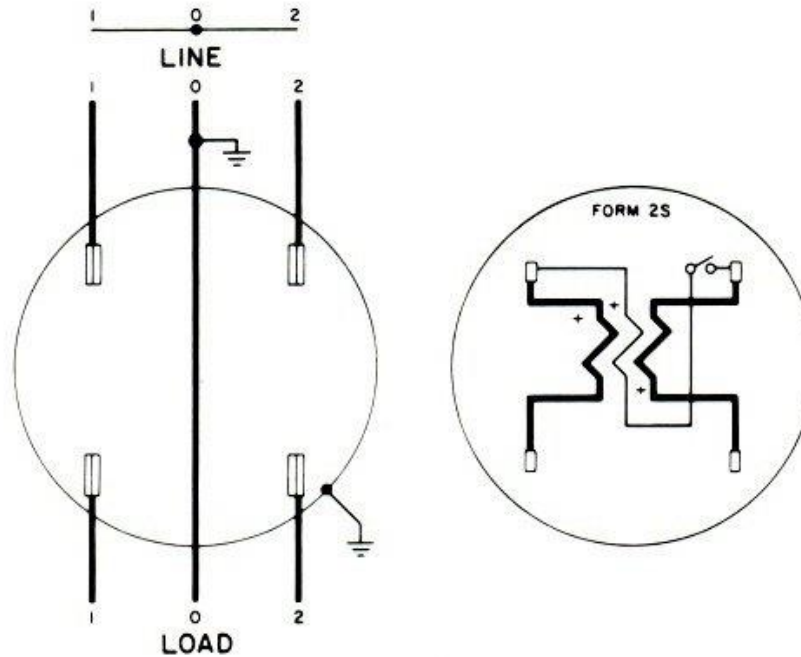


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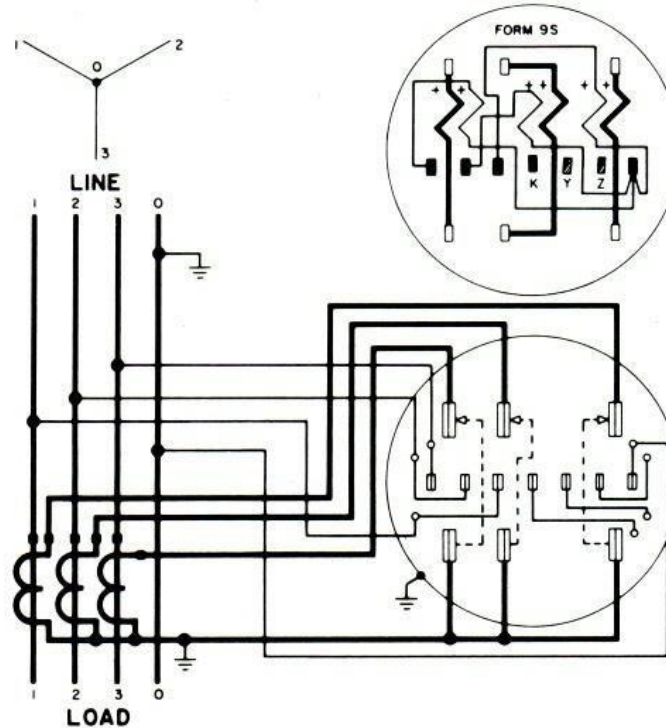
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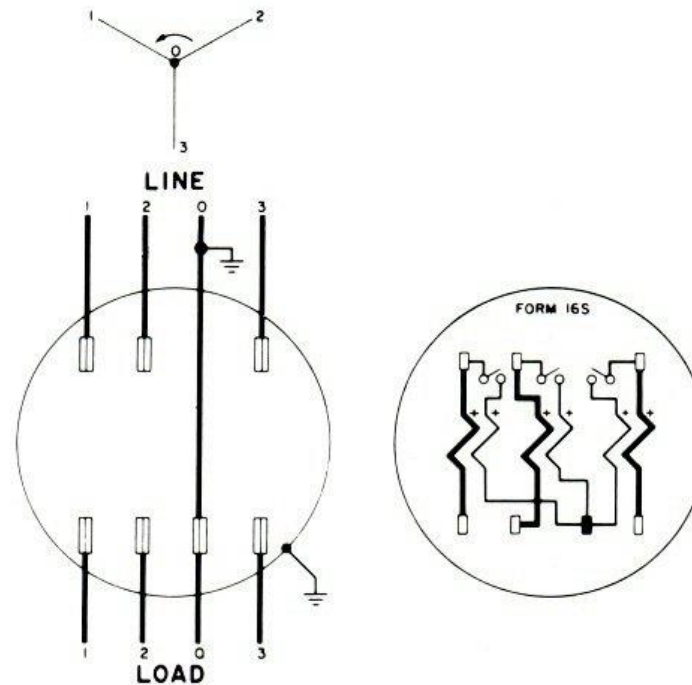
3 ϕ , 4 W, Y CIRCUIT
3 Stator, 3 ϕ , 4 W, Y Meter with 3-2 W CT's





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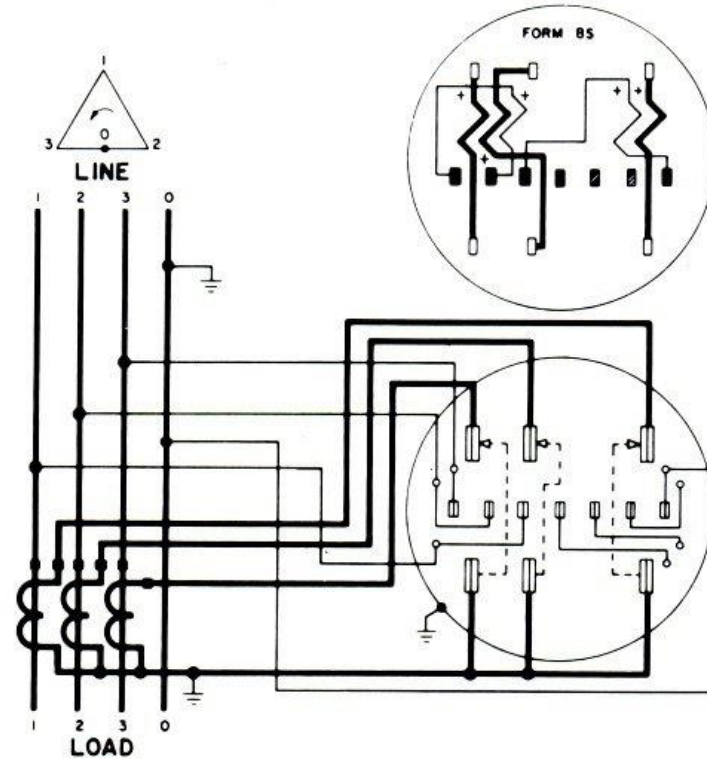
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3 Stator, 3 ϕ , 4 W, Y Meter, Self-Contained





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3 ϕ , 4 W, Δ CIRCUIT
2 Stator, 3 ϕ , 4 W, Δ Meter with 3-2 W CT's

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