Three-phase power and its measurement

- A wattmeter is essentially an inherent combination of an ammeter and a voltmeter and, therefore, consists of two coils known as current coil and pressure coil.
- Wattmeter connection:



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- 2-wattmeter method of measuring 3phase 3-wire power :
 - (a) star connected,
 - P=W₁+W₂

- (b) delta connected
- P=W₁+W₂



Determination of P.F. from Wattmeter Reading

- If load is balanced, then p.f. of the load can be determined from the wattmeter readings
- Vector diagram for balanced star connected inductive load -----→

$$\cos \varphi = \cos \tan^{-1} \frac{\sqrt{3}(W_1 - W_2)}{W_1 + W_2}$$

- The watt-ratio Curve ------→
- p.f. can be determined from reading of two wattmeters



