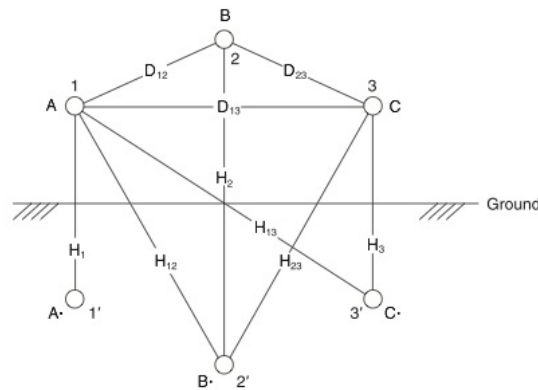
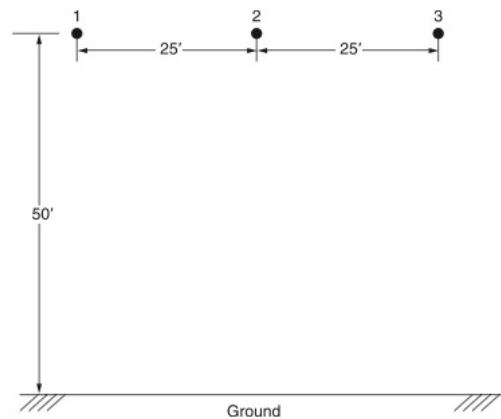


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**FIGURE 4.38**

Three-phase single-circuit line configuration including ground effect for Problem 4.48

- (a) Now consider Figure 4.39 in which the configuration of a three-phase, single circuit, 345-kV line with conductors having an outside diameter of 1.065 in. is shown. Determine the capacitance to neutral in F/m, including the ground effect.
- (b) Next, neglecting the effect of ground, see how the value changes.

**FIGURE 4.39**

Configuration for Problem 4.48 (a)

- 4.49** The capacitance-to-neutral, neglecting the ground effect, for the three-phase, single-circuit, bundle-conductor line is given by

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$$C_{a\eta} = \frac{2\pi\epsilon_0}{\ell\eta \left( \frac{\text{GMD}}{\text{GMR}} \right)} \text{ F/m line-to-neutral}$$

$$\text{Where } \text{GMD} = (\text{D}_{AB}\text{D}_{BC}\text{D}_{AC})^{1/3}$$

$$\text{GMR} = [rN(A)^{N-1}]^{1/N}$$

in which  $N$  is the number of subconductors of the bundle conductor on a circle of radius  $A$ , and each subconductor has an outside radius of  $r$ . The capacitive reactance in mega-ohms for 1 mi of line at 60 Hz can be shown to be

$$X_C = 0.0683 \log \left( \frac{\text{GMD}}{\text{GMR}} \right) = X'_a + X'_d$$

$$\text{where } X'_a = 0.0683 \log \left( \frac{1}{\text{GMR}} \right) \text{ and } X'_d = 0.0683 \log (\text{GMD}).$$

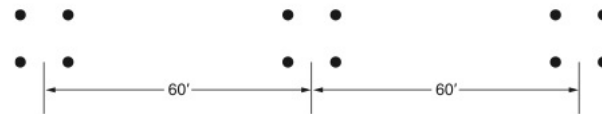
Note that  $A$  is related to the bundle spacing  $S$  given by

$$A = \frac{S}{2 \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{N} \right)} \text{ for } N > 1$$

Using the above information for the configuration shown in Figure 4.40, compute the capacitance-to-neutral in F/m and the capacitive reactance in  $\Omega \cdot \text{mi}$  to neutral for the three-phase, 765-kV, 60-Hz, single-circuit, bundle-conductor line ( $N = 4$ ) with subconductor's outside diameter of 1.16 in. and subconductor spacing ( $S$ ) of 18 in.

**FIGURE 4.40**

Configuration for  
Problem 4.49



## SECTION 4.12

- 4.50** Calculate the conductor surface electric field strength in kVrms/cm for the single-phase line in Problem 4.32 when the line is operating at 20 kV. Also calculate the ground-level electric field strength in kVrms/m directly under one conductor. Assume a line height of 10 m.

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- 4.51** Rework Problem 4.50 if the diameter of each conductor is (a) increased by 25% to 1.875 cm or (b) decreased by 25% to 1.125 cm without changing the phase spacings. Compare the results with those of Problem 4.50.

## CASE STUDY QUESTIONS

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- a. Approximately how many physical transmission interconnections are there between the United States and Canada? Across which states and provinces are the interconnections located?
- b. How many kWhs of electrical energy was exported from Canada to the United States in 2012? Was the majority of that energy export derived from clean, non-emitting sources of electrical power?
- c. What caused the August 2003 blackout in the United States and Canada? How many generating units were forced to shut down during that blackout?
- d. What are the advantages of high-capacity, low-sag conductors? As of 2013, how many electric utilities in the world had deployed high-capacity, low-sag conductor technology?

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