

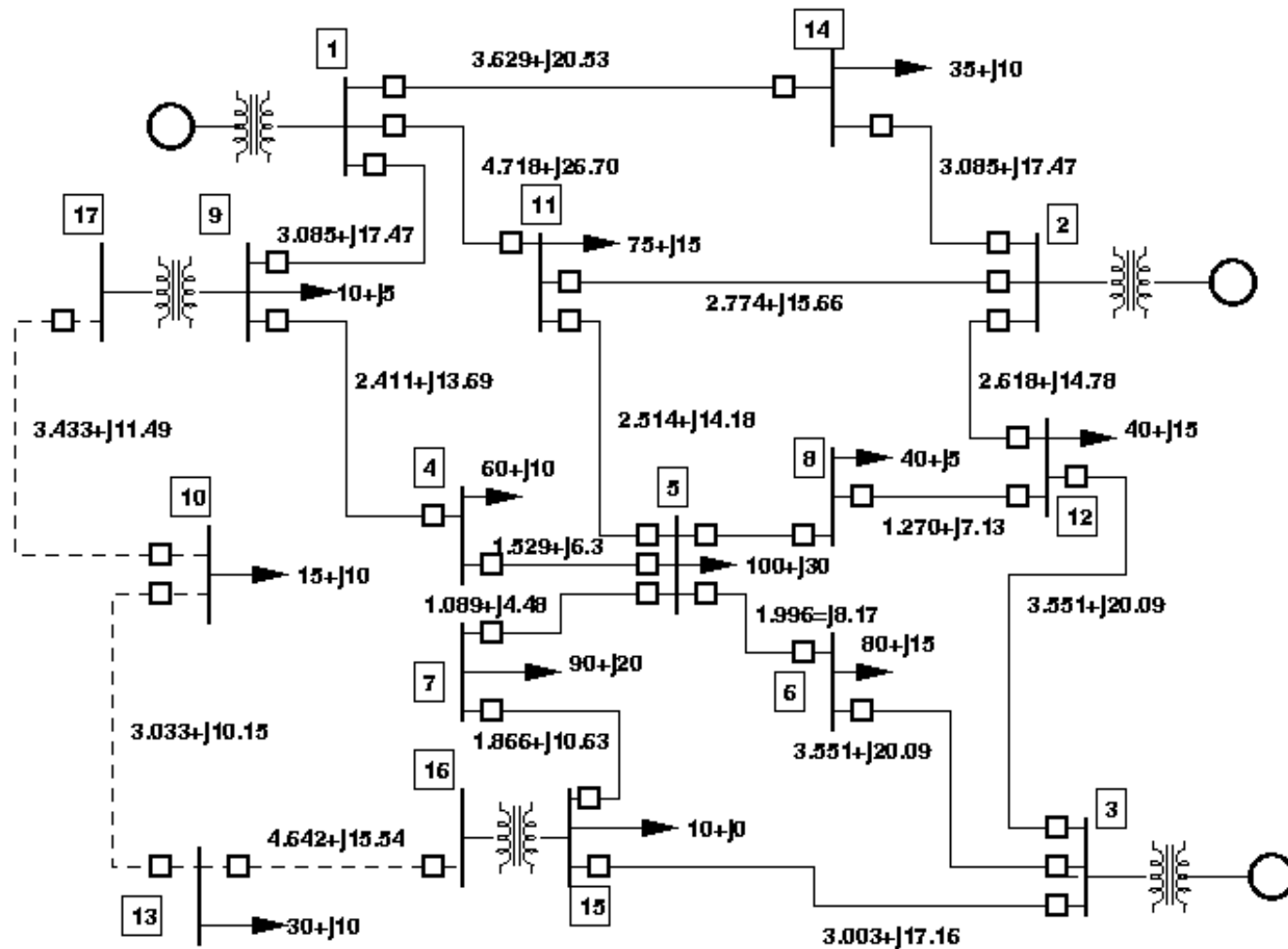
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Plans and Directions

As of Feb 21, 2006

Loads MW + j MVAR
 Impedances In Ohms R + jX
 ——— 161 kV
 - - - 69 kV

Here is a small power system



To see what is up we need to understand the parts:

Generating Plants

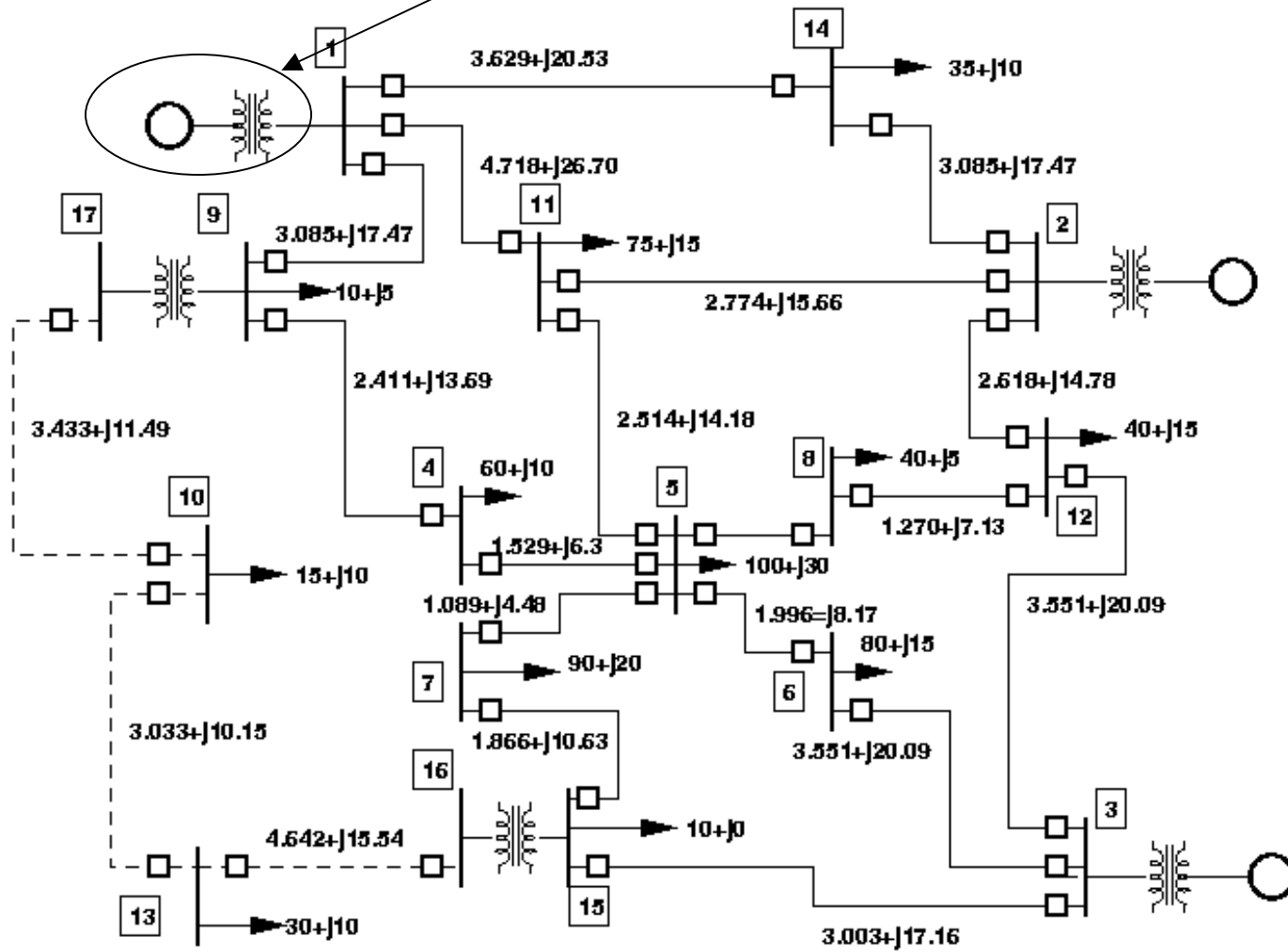
Are Connected to buses (numbered)

Lines Connect the buses (impedances noted in ohms)

Loads are noted at each loaded bus

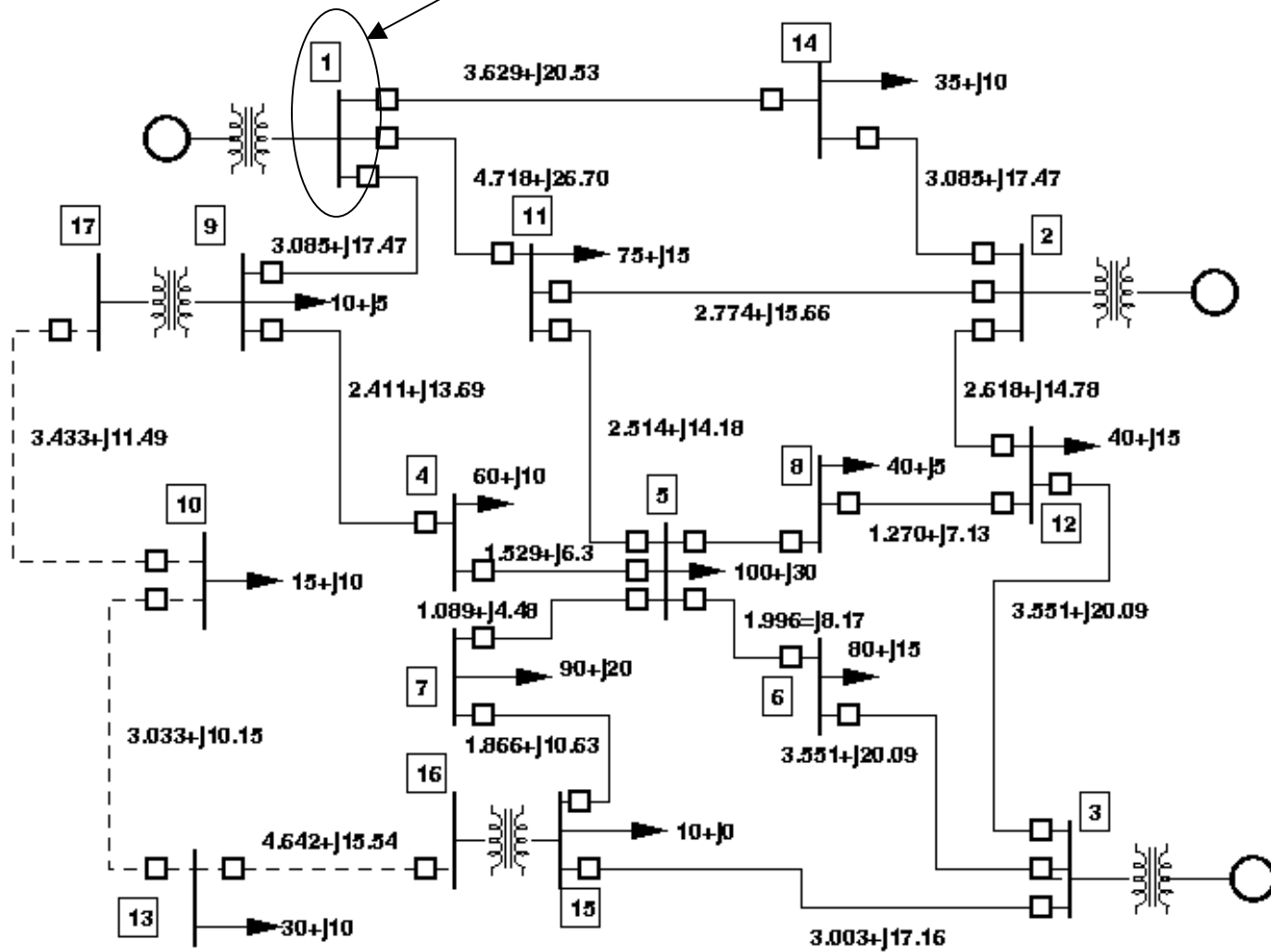
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Generating Plant: Source



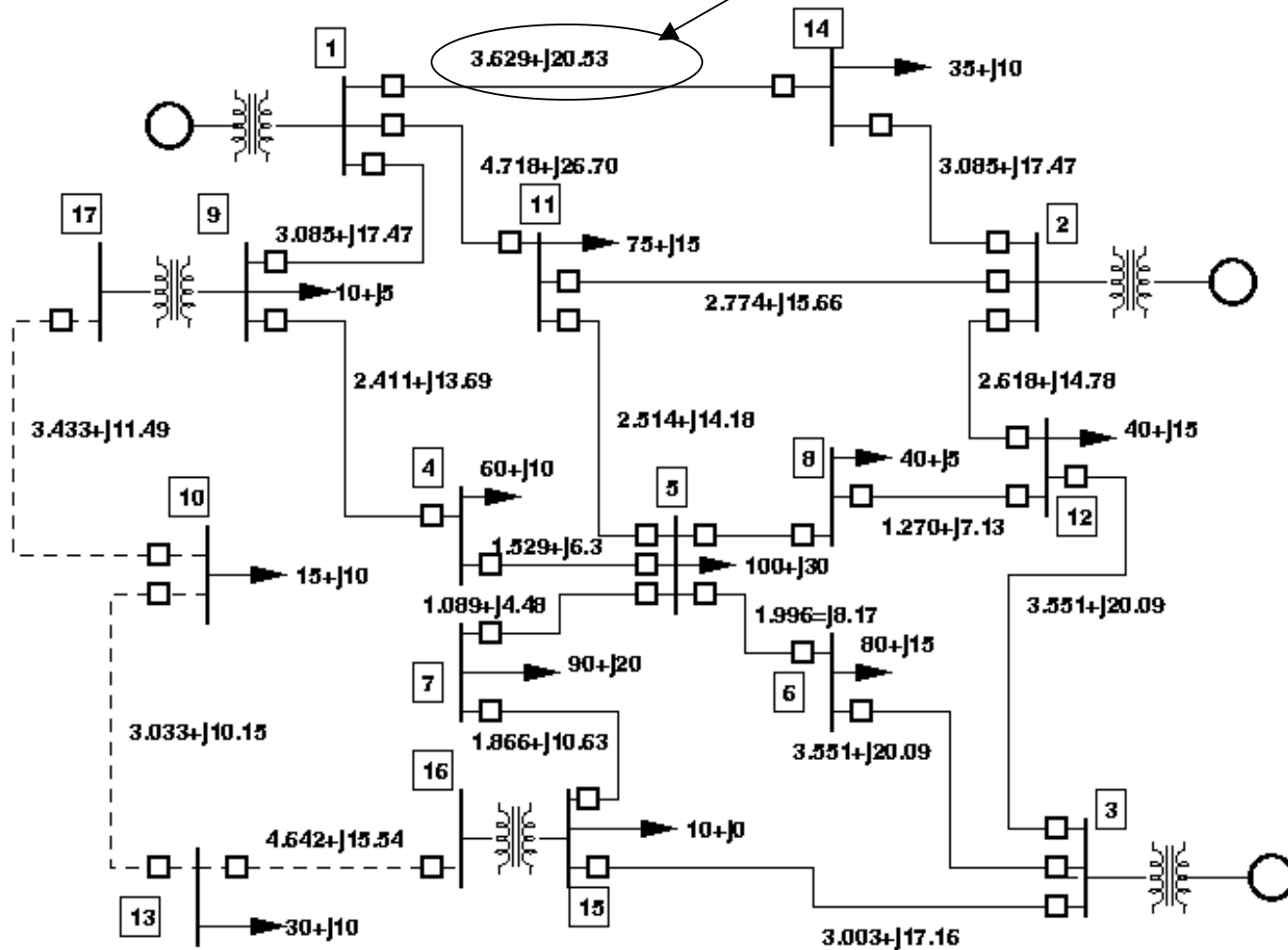
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Buses are Connection Points



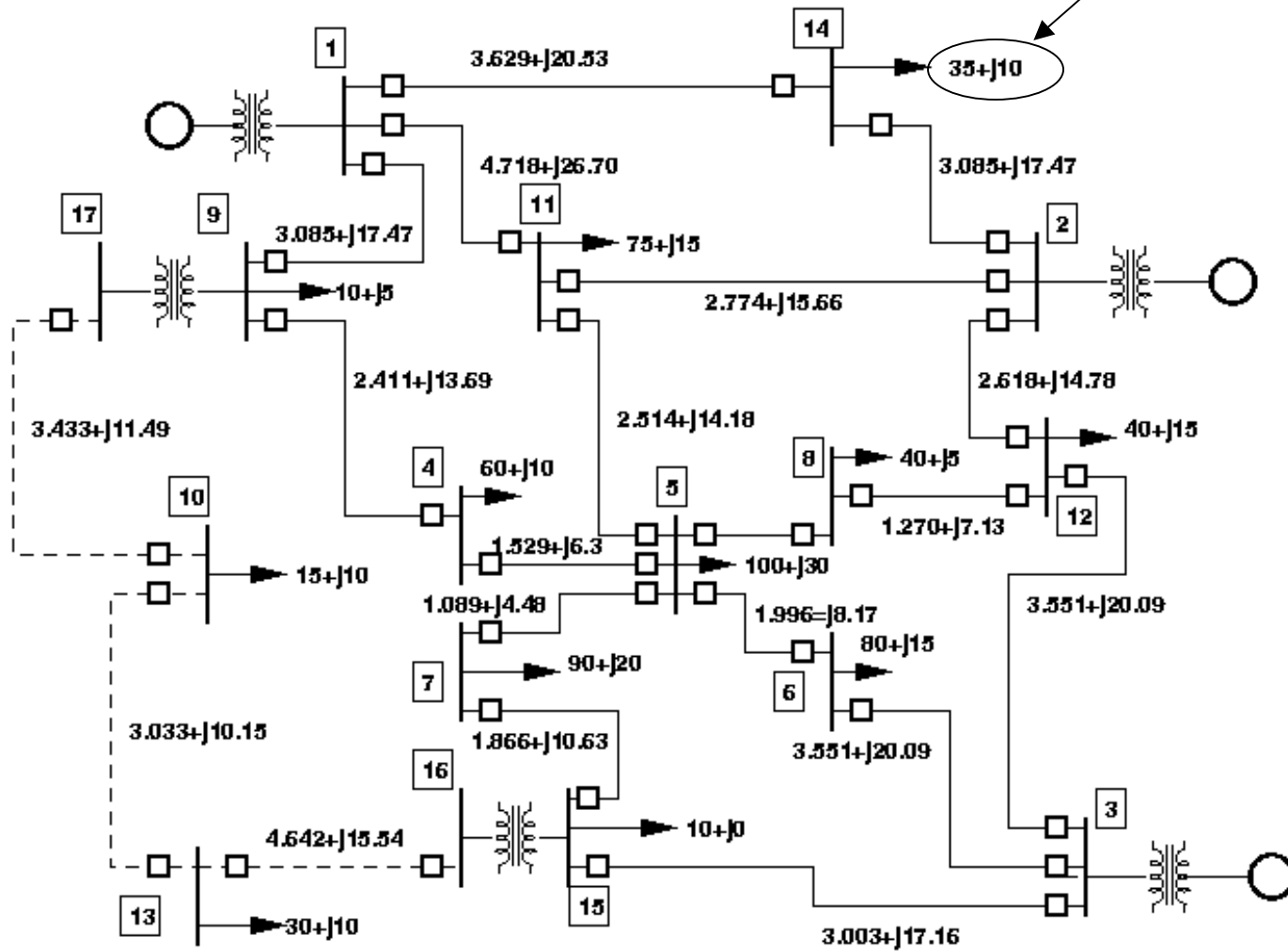
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Each line has an impedance: here in Ohms



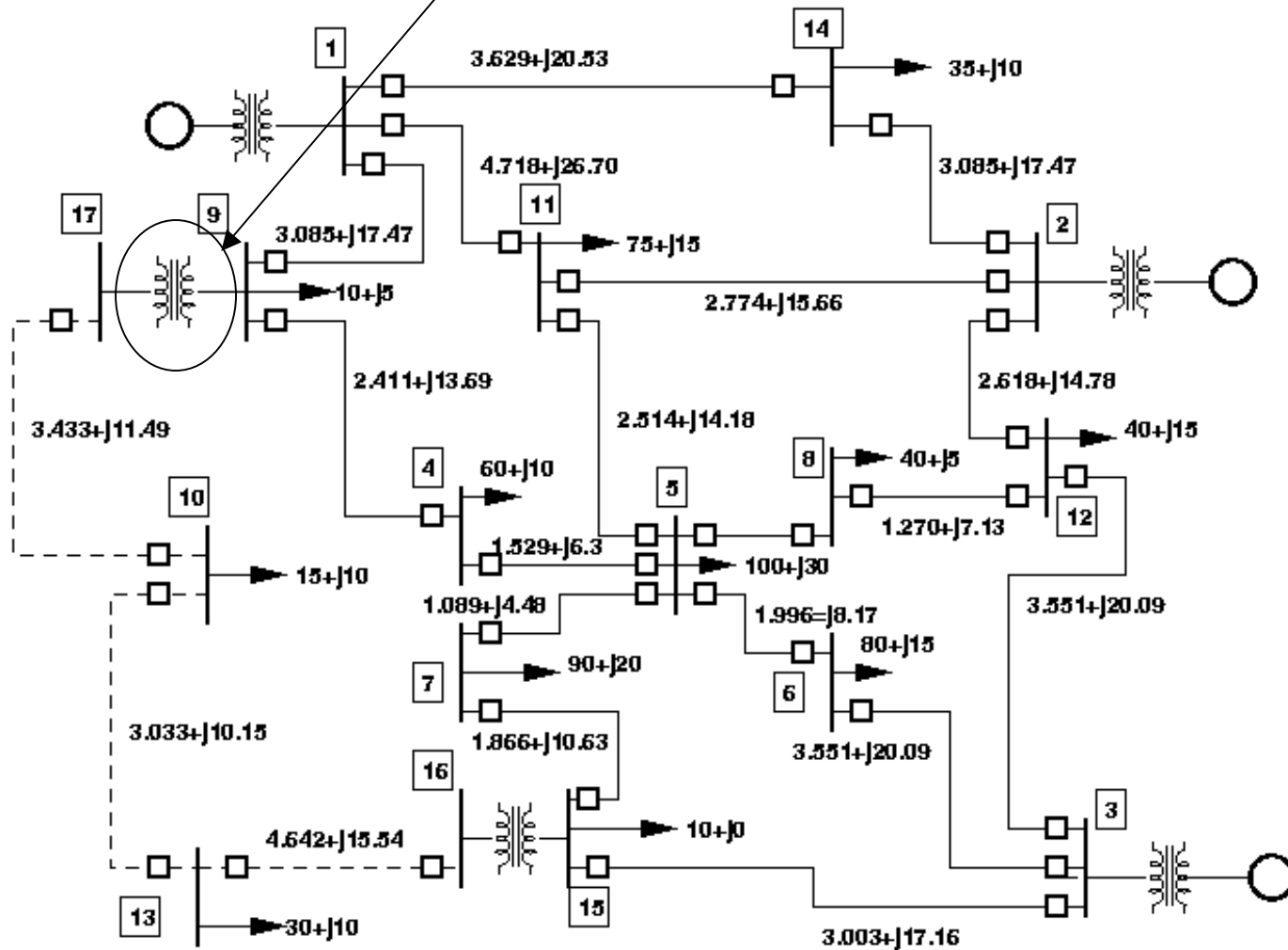
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Many buses are loaded, here MW+j*MVAR



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Transformers connect 69 kV to 161 kV buses



To understand how the system works:

1. Load Flow -- how does power flow through the lines

**System Representation: Lines, Transformers,
and Per-unit Systems (Chs 4, 5, 9)**

Load Flow Analysis (Ch 10)

2. What do generators do?

Generator representation (Ch6, 7)

Dynamics: fault behavior, dynamic swings

Simplified models (voltage behind reactance

3. What do exciters and voltage regulators do?

They have dynamics of their own. (Ch 8)

4. System Control: generation control

How frequency is stabilized (Ch 11)

Transient stability: limits to operations (Ch 14)

This involves all those models from above

5. Abnormal operations

Unbalanced Operation

Symmetrical Components (Ch 12)

Faults: detection and system protection (Ch 13)

6. Power Systems Economics

Cost of Service: Economic Dispatch (Ch 11)

Deregulated System Economics

Structure of some 'markets'

Project Topics: (Suggestions-- I am open to negotiation)

Regulatory Lag: how often should rate cases be?

Carbon Tax and Nukes: can it be made to work?

DC vs. AC in vehicular systems: tradeoffs and performance

Market Power and Congestion

What are ancillary services worth?

Is there a case for deregulating transmission?

'Net Metering' and Standby power -- how do we pay for it?

Robust Utilities vs. Standby Generators: which is best?

Analysis of the blackout of ... (you pick a blackout)

How to (and should we) subsidize green electrons?