

DC Circuit AnalysisKirchhoff's Laws

Law I: (Current law) In any network of conductors the algebraic sum of the currents meeting at any point is zero. i.e. $\sum I = 0$.

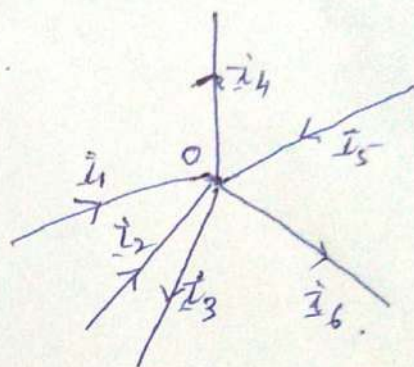
Explanation:- In the above equation, the current flowing into a junction is regarded as positive, while leaving the junction is regarded as negative as shown. 'O' is a junction.

According to sign convention.

I_1, I_2, I_5 are positive and I_3, I_4, I_6 are negative. Then.

$$I_1 + I_2 - I_3 - I_4 + I_5 - I_6 = 0$$

$$\text{i.e. } I_1 + I_2 + I_5 = I_3 + I_4 + I_6$$



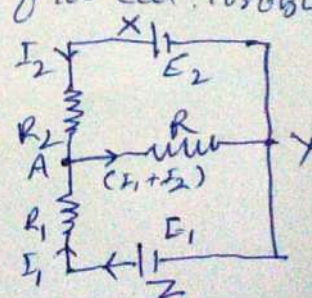
Thus the sum of currents entering the point 'O' is equal to the sum of currents leaving it, other words Kirchhoff's first law states, when steady current flows in an electric circuit there is no accumulation of charge at any point or junction.

Law II (voltage law)! The algebraic sum of the products of the current and resistance in any closed loop of a circuit is equal to the algebraic sum of electromotive forces (emf's) acting in that circuit (loop) i.e. $\sum IR = \sum E$

Explanation! Sign convention: i) A product of current and Resistance is taken as positive when we traverse in the direction of current,

ii) The emf is taken as positive, when we traverse from the negative to the positive electrode of the cell through the electrolyte.

Let I_1 and I_2 be the current through R_1 and R_2 (As shown in fig)



Applying first law to the junction A, the current through R is $I_1 + I_2$, then applying the second law for the closed loop ZAYZ

$$I_1 R_1 + (I_1 + I_2) R = E_1$$

similarly for the closed loop XAYX

$$I_2 R_2 + (I_1 + I_2) R = E_2$$

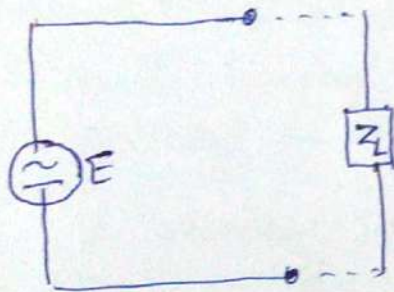
For the closed loop ZAXYZ

$$I_1 R_1 - I_2 R_2 = E_1 - E_2$$

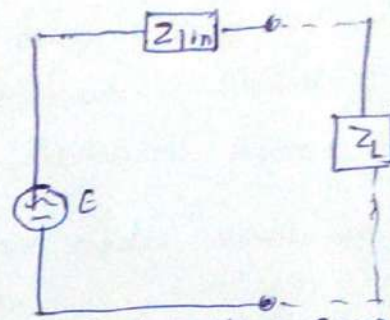
These loop equations enable us to obtain the values of currents in different parts of the circuit in terms of R_1 , R_2 , R , E_1 and E_2 .

Network Analysis and Network Theorems

Any electrical circuit containing resistances, capacitances, inductances and generators (i.e. source) is known as electrical network. The circuit elements are of two types a) passive and b) active. The inductor, resistor and capacitor with two terminals are regarded as passive elements as they are not fundamental source of power. The active elements are those which feed the power in to the given circuits. There are two types a) voltage source and b) current source.



a) Ideal voltage generator (a)

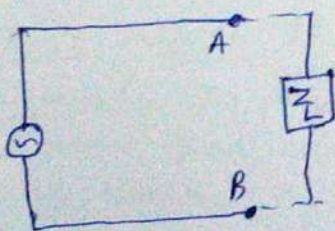


b) Real voltage source

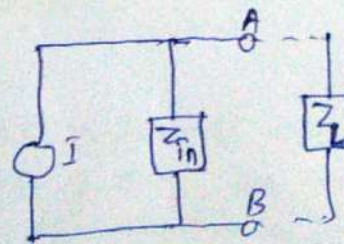
An ideal voltage source is an active device which can maintain a constant voltage across its terminals irrespective of the current supplied by it. It is also called constant voltage source. It is always equal to the open circuit voltage (above circuit) (pg 9)

A real voltage source has a finite internal impedance therefore the potential difference across its terminals decreases with increase of load impedance (pg 16)

A constant current source is an active device which can supply the constant current to any load resistance that is connected across its terminals.



a) Ideal current source



b) Real current source -

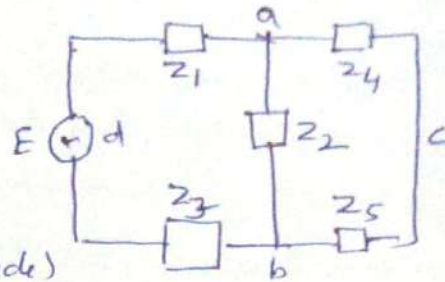
A Real source is a power source which contain a finite internal parallel impedance (fig. b1)

Networks - some Important Definitions

From the network

Junction (Node):-

The point where two or more branches meet is called a junction (or node) a and b are junctions



Branch:- In a network any group of series elements having two terminals is called a branch. The current in a branch remains same at each point.

An element joining two nodes, such as a and b , in fig. is called a branch.

A set of branches forming a closed path in a network is called mesh.

Loop:- Any closed path in a network is called a loop. $a-b-a$ and $a-b-a$ are loops.

Active and passive Networks:- The networks containing sources of emf are called active networks. Networks containing no sources of emf are called passive networks.

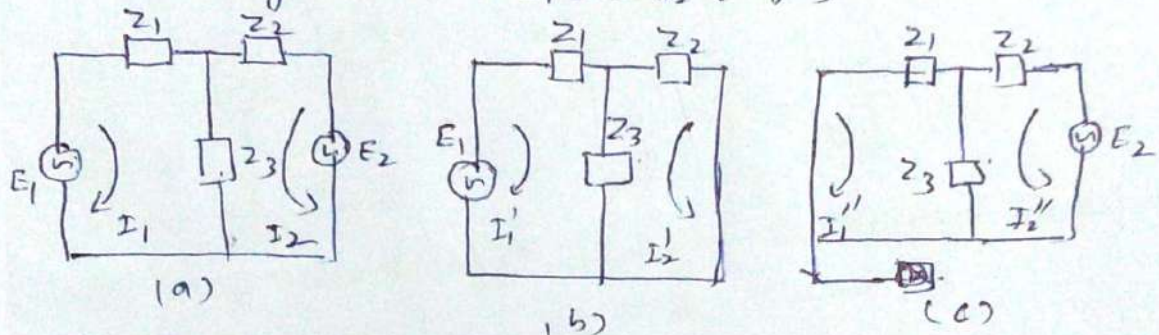
Linear and Non-linear Networks:- The network is said to be a linear, if it consists of linear impedances. A linear impedance is any impedance that obeys Ohm's law. In non-linear networks, the relation voltage and current will be non-linear.

Network Theorem

Statement:- In any linear network containing impedances and more than one source of emf, the current flowing in any element is equal to algebraic sum of the currents that will separately flow in that element if each source

of emf, were considered separately, all the other sources being replaced at that time by their internal impedances.

Proof! - Let us consider the network with two sources of emf's E_1 and E_2 with internal impedances z_1 and z_2 respectively, (fig) let the current due to E_1 and E_2 acting together be I_1 and I_2 (fig a), let current due to emf E_1 acting alone be I_1' and I_2' (fig b) let the current due to E_2 acting alone be I_1'' and I_2'' (fig c)



Applying Kirchhoff's II law to fig (a) the mesh equations are

$$E_1 = (z_1 + z_3) I_1 + z_3 I_2 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$E_2 = z_3 I_1 + (z_2 + z_3) I_2 \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

when E_1 is considered to act alone fig (b) the mesh equations are

$$E_1 = (z_1 + z_3) I_1' + z_3 I_2' \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

$$0 = z_3 I_1' + (z_2 + z_3) I_2' \quad \text{--- (4)}$$

when E_2 is considered to act alone fig (c) the mesh equations are

$$0 = (z_1 + z_3) I_1'' + z_3 I_2'' \quad \text{--- (5)}$$

$$E_2 = z_3 I_1'' + (z_2 + z_3) I_2'' \quad \text{--- (6)}$$

Adding eqn (3) and (5)

$$E_1 = (z_1 + z_3)(I_1' + I_1'') + z_3(I_2' + I_2'') \quad \text{--- (7)}$$

Adding eqn (4) $\times$ (6)

$$E_2 = (z_2 + z_3)(I_2' + I_2'') + z_3(I_1' + I_1'') \quad \text{--- (8)}$$

eqn (7) and (8) will be identical with eqn (1) and (2) if

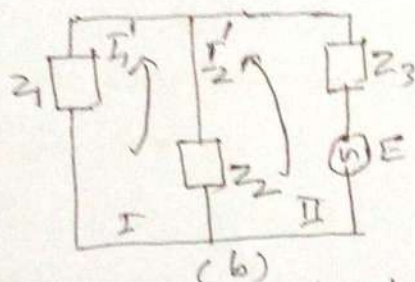
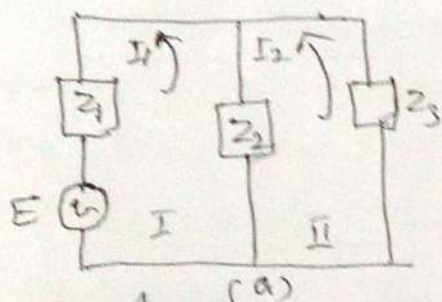
$$I_1 = I_1' + I_1'' \quad \text{and} \quad I_2 = I_2' + I_2''$$

Thus the theorem proved.

Reciprocity Theorem

Statement :- If an emf applied in one mesh of network of linear impedances produces a certain current in the second mesh, then the same emf acting in the second mesh will give an identical current in the first mesh.

Proof! Consider a network [fig(a)] Here the source of emf E is in the first mesh, let the currents in the first and second meshes be I_1 and I_2 respectively.



Applying Kirchhoff's II law to the two meshes

$$I_1(Z_1 + Z_2) - I_2 Z_2 = E \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

and
$$I_2(Z_2 + Z_3) - I_1 Z_2 = 0 \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

Substituting the value of I_1 from eqn (2) in eqn (1) we get

$$I_2 \left[\frac{(Z_1 + Z_2)(Z_2 + Z_3)}{Z_2} - Z_2 \right] = E$$

$$\text{or } I_2 = \frac{E \cdot Z_2}{(Z_1 + Z_2)(Z_2 + Z_3) - Z_2^2} \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

Consider the network (b) [fig(b)]. Here the source of emf is in the second mesh, let the current in the first and second meshes be I_1' & I_2' respectively.

Applying Kirchhoff's II law to the two meshes we get

$$I_1'(Z_1 + Z_2) - I_2' Z_2 = 0 \quad \text{--- (4)}$$

$$\& I_2'(Z_2 + Z_3) - I_1' Z_2 = E \quad \text{--- (5)}$$

Substituting the value of I_2' from eqn (4) in eqn (5) we get

(4)

$$I_1' \left[\frac{(Z_1 + Z_2)(Z_2 + Z_3)}{Z_2} - Z_2 \right] = E$$

$$\text{or } I_1' = \frac{E \cdot Z_2}{(Z_1 + Z_2)(Z_2 + Z_3) - Z_2^2} \quad \text{--- (6)}$$

Comparing Eqn (3) and Eqn (6) we have

$$I_2 = I_1'$$

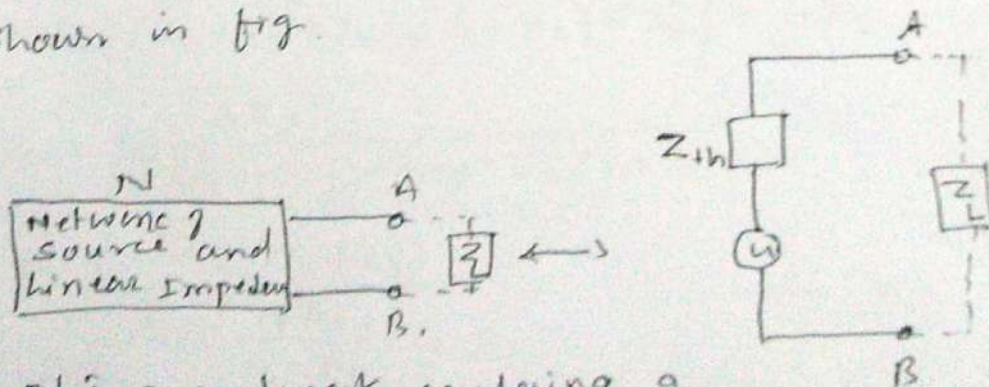
Thus the reciprocity theorem is proved.

Transfer Impedance! - The ratio of emf E in one mesh to the current I in another mesh is called the transfer Impedance Z_T .

Thevenin's Theorem

Statement! - The current in a load impedance connected between two terminals of a network of sources and linear impedances is same as due to a single voltage source of emf equal to open circuit voltage between the same terminals of the network and internal impedance equal to the impedance of the network between the same terminals of the network, when all the sources in the network have been replaced by their internal impedances.

The schematic representation of Thevenin's theorem is shown in fig.



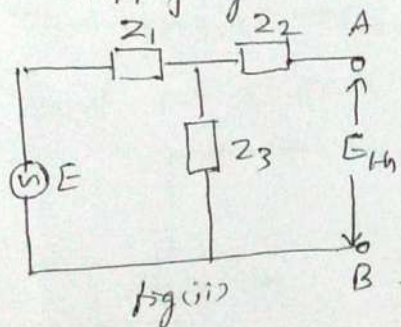
N is a network containing a number of sources and linear impedances with output terminals A and B . Let E_{th} be the open-circuit voltage

across A and B. Let Z_{th} be the impedance measured between the terminals A and B, when all the sources have been replaced by their respective internal impedances. The network N. will produce the same current in an external load impedance Z_L connected across A and B, as a single voltage source of emf E_{th} and internal impedance Z_{th} would do.

Proof: consider a network containing resistive impedance Z_1, Z_2 and Z_3 and one source of emf E and internal impedance zero (i.e. ideal source) (fig. show)

I_1 is the current supplied by the source, I_2 is the current flowing through the load impedance Z_L

Applying Kirchhoff's law to the mesh I and II we get



$$I_1 Z_1 + (I_1 - I_2) Z_3 = E$$

$$\text{or } I_1 (Z_1 + Z_3) - I_2 Z_3 = E \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$\text{and } I_2 Z_2 + I_2 Z_L - (I_1 - I_2) Z_3 = 0$$

$$I_2 (Z_2 + Z_L + Z_3) = I_1 Z_3 \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$\text{or } I_1 = \frac{I_2 (Z_2 + Z_L + Z_3)}{Z_3}$$

Substituting the value of I_1 in Eqn (1) we get

$$I_2 \frac{(Z_2 + Z_L + Z_3)}{Z_3} (Z_1 + Z_3) - I_2 Z_3 = E$$

$$\text{or } I_2 \left[\frac{(Z_2 + Z_L + Z_3)(Z_1 + Z_3)}{Z_3} - Z_3 \right] = E$$

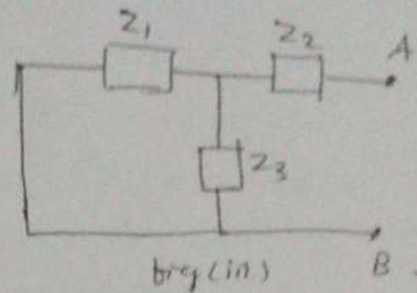
$$\text{or } I_2 = \frac{E Z_3}{Z_2 (Z_1 + Z_3) + Z_1 Z_3 + Z_L (Z_1 + Z_3)}$$

$$\therefore I_2 = \frac{E Z_3 / (Z_1 + Z_3)}{Z_1 + \left[\frac{Z_2 Z_3}{Z_1 + Z_3} \right] + Z_L} \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

Again from the fig (ii) the open circuit voltage at terminals A & B. (i.e. when Z_L is removed) is

$$E_{th} = \frac{E Z_3}{Z_1 + Z_3} \quad \text{--- (4)}$$

Further if E is replaced by its zero internal impedance
 (ii) the impedance of network between A and B is



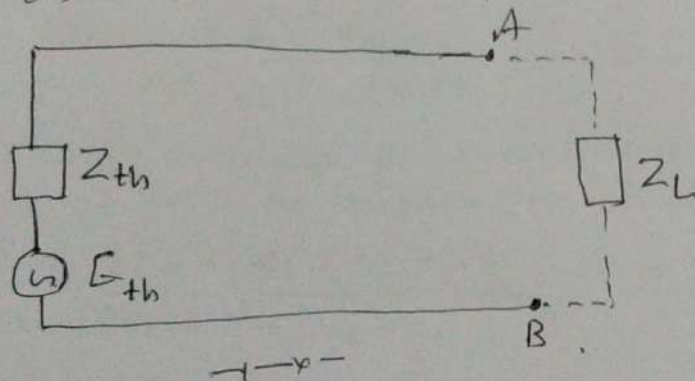
$$Z_{th} = Z_2 + \frac{1}{\frac{1}{Z_1} + \frac{1}{Z_3}}$$

$$= Z_2 + \frac{Z_1 Z_3}{Z_1 + Z_3} \quad \text{--- (5)}$$

Thus eqn (3) is equivalently written as.

$$I_2 = \frac{E_{th}}{Z_{th} + Z_L} \quad \text{--- (6)}$$

This proves Thevenin's theorem. The equivalent circuit as shown below.



Maximum power Transfer theorem

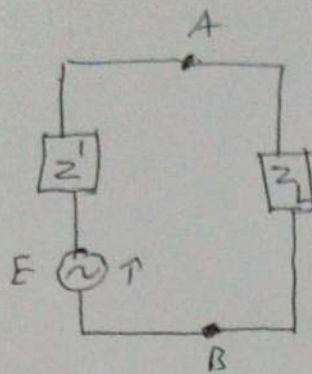
Statement :- The maximum power will be delivered to a load by a source when.

- i) resistive component of the impedance of load and source are equal and.
- ii) The reactive components of the impedances of source and load are equal in magnitude but opposite in sign

proof - consider a voltage source of emf E' and complex internal impedance Z' and a load of.

(7)

Complex impedance Z_L connected across the Source



Now we have

$$Z' = R' + jX' \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$\text{and } Z_L = R_L + jX_L \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

Here R' and R_L are the resistive components and X' and X_L are the reactive components of Z' and Z_L respectively.

The current I flowing in the circuit is

$$I = \frac{E'}{Z' + Z_L}$$

$$\text{or } I = \frac{E'}{(R' + R_L) + j(X' + X_L)} \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

The power delivered to the load is

$$P = I^2 R_L$$

$$\text{or } P = \frac{(E')^2 R_L}{(R' + R_L)^2 + (X' + X_L)^2} \quad \text{--- (4)}$$

Now let us consider the variation of P with X_L . The power P will be maximum when $(\partial P / \partial X_L) = 0$.

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial X_L} = \frac{2(E')^2 R_L (X_L + X')}{[(R_L + R')^2 + (X_L + X')^2]^2} = 0$$

$$\text{or } X_L = -X' \quad \text{--- (5)}$$

Thus if X' is inductive the X_L must be capacitive and of same magnitude of X' . When this condition is satisfied, the maximum power is

$$P_{\max} = \frac{(E')^2 R_L}{(R_L + R')^2} \quad \text{--- (6)}$$

Again consider the variation of $P_{\max}$ with R_L . The power $P_{\max}$ with R_L . The power $P_{\max}$ will be maximum then

$$\frac{\partial P_{\max}}{\partial R_L} = \frac{(E')^2 (R_L + R')^2 - 2(E')^2 R_L (R_L + R')}{(R_L + R')^4} = 0$$

$$\therefore R_L = R' \quad \text{--- (7)}$$

Eqn (7) shows that maximum power will be delivered to the load when the resistive components of source and load are equal. The expression for the max. power may be written from eqn (6) $P_{\max} = \frac{E'^2 R_L}{(2R_L)^2} = \frac{E'^2}{4R_L}$ (8)