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EXPERIMENT 1

A STUDY OF NETWORK THEOREMS

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1.1 INTRODUCTION

Electric circuits form the backbone on which the study of most electrical phenomena is based. These circuits may contain resistors, capacitors, inductors which are **passive** elements, or some **active** devices such as vacuum tubes, transistors etc. In order to understand the nature of the circuits and their applications, one is required to **perform** the analysis for currents, voltages, power or frequency responses in the circuit. If the circuit is simple, one can do the analysis just using Ohm's Law. However, many circuits are complicated and analysis becomes difficult. Hence systematic methods should be developed to simplify the circuits and to make the analysis easy. In order to perform the analysis of a complicated circuit in a simplified **manner**, some theorems have been developed. These theorems are known as **Network** Theorems.

Objectives

After performing the experiments, you will be able to:

- * Verify **maximum** power, superposition, **reciprocity** and **Thevenin's** theorems.
- * Apply **above theorems** to **different** networks.

1.2 APPARATUS:

Two transistorised power supplies (0 - 15V), resistors (100 - 1000 ohms), multimeters, connecting wires.

1.3 STUDY MATERIAL:

Before performing the experiments you may be interested in knowing more about a network and the theorems mentioned in the Objectives.

1.31 Network

An electrical network is any interconnection of electric circuit elements such as inductors, resistors, capacitors, generators, or branches where each branch may include R, L, C , or other types of linear elements. A linear element is one in which the current is proportional to the voltage. Such a linear network having two distinct pairs of terminals is called a four-terminal network 1,1 : 2,2, as shown in Fig. 1.1.a. However if one of the 1,1 terminals is common to the 2,2 pair, the circuit is known as 3-terminal network as shown in Fig.1.1.b. If the 2,2 terminals are short circuited, it becomes two-terminal network.

Networks may be of the following types:

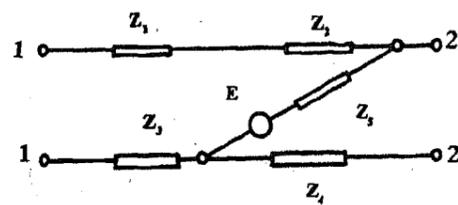


Fig.1.1.a

4-Terminal Network

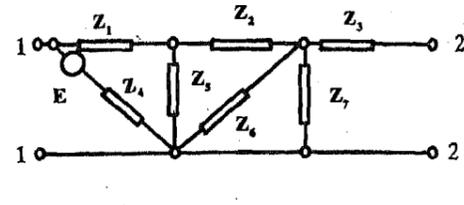


Fig.1.1.b

3-Terminal Network

PASSIVE NETWORK:

A network containing circuit elements without any energy source such as a battery, is known as passive network.

ACTIVE NETWORK:

A network containing generators or energy sources along with other elements is known as an active network.

A specific path between two points in a network is called a branch.

In a network a set of branches forming a closed path in such a way that if one branch is omitted the remaining branches do not form a closed path, is known as a Mesh.

A terminal of any branch of network, or a terminal common to two or more branches is known as a Node or Junction.

We can now summarise that a network may have active or passive elements, branches, nodes, meshes. Our aim is to analyse any such network for current in any loop or the voltage across any element using appropriate network theorems. We will first try to understand some of the important network theorems and then proceed further for their applications using practical network circuits.

1.3.2 Superposition Theorem:

Let us consider the following circuits.

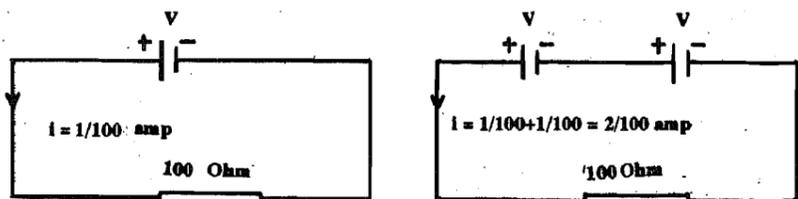


Fig.1.2

A battery of 1 volt applied to a resistance of 100 ohms, causes a current of $1/100$ ampere to flow. Two batteries in series, each of 1 volt connected to the same 100 ohm resistance, each cause $1/100$ ampere to flow. Together they cause $2/100$ ampere to flow. The total current is thus the sum of the currents produced by the individual batteries. This statement if generalised is known as the Superposition Theorem. This can be stated as follows.

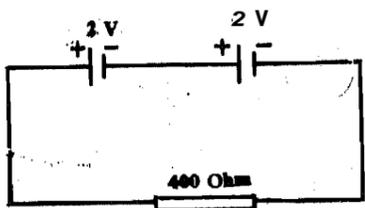
Each emf in a linear network produces current in any given branch independent of the action of other emf's, and that the resultant total current in any branch is the algebraic sum of the contribution of current due to each of the emf's.

You will be able to verify this theorem by performing the experiment.

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In the following circuit calculate the current caused to flow through the resistor due to the individual sources separately. Calculate the current when both sources are present.

Verify your result experimentally, later on.



Answer: With V_1 alone, the current expected is With V_2 alone the current is With both V_1 and V_2 the current expected is

Fig. 1.3

13.3 Reciprocity Theorem:

The reciprocity theorem states that if an emf E is placed in one branch of an electrical circuit, giving rise to a current I in another branch, the same current I is obtained in the original branch when the emf E is transferred to the branch where the current I arose.

In-order to understand clearly, let us consider the following circuit, as an example.

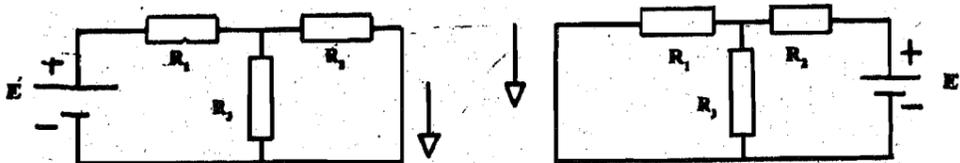


Fig.1.4.a

Fig.1.4.b

The Reciprocity Theorem assures that $I_1 = I_2$ since E is the same in each circuit.

1.3.4 Thevenin's Theorem:

Let us consider a simple circuit as shown in the Fig. 1.5.

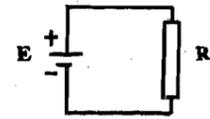


Fig.1.5

If you want to find out the current through the load R you can apply Ohm's Law and get $I = E/R$. However if the circuit (outlined in dashes) is complicated such as shown in Fig. 1.6, it is difficult to find the current or the voltage across the load R_L using Ohm's Law.

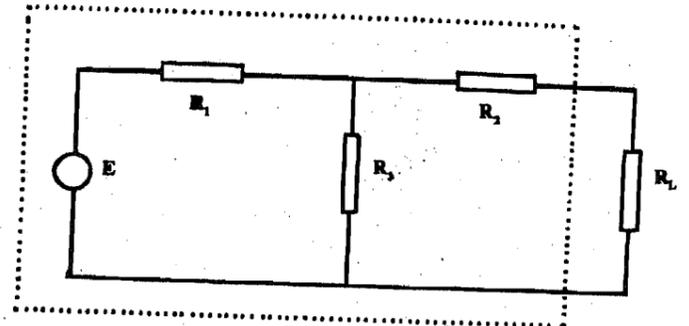


Fig.1.6

In order to analyse such circuits, Thevenin's Theorem is used.

This theorem states that any two terminal linear network containing energy sources and impedances can be replaced with an equivalent circuit consisting of a voltage source E' in series with an impedance R' . The value of E' is the open circuit voltage between the terminals of the network and R' is the impedance measured between the terminals with all energy sources eliminated (but not their impedances).

Thus the Thevenin's equivalent circuit of the above network is shown below.

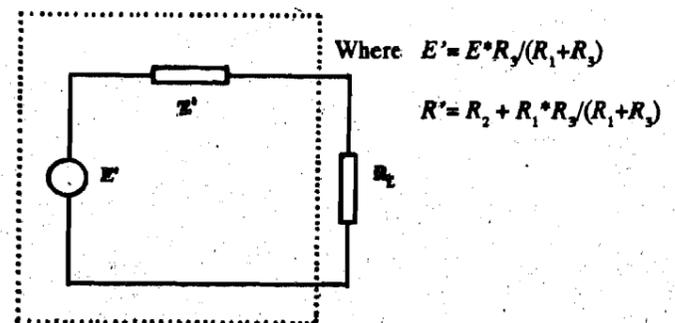


Fig.1.7

We will study the application of Thevenin's Theorem in a network while performing the experiment.

1.4 PRECAUTIONS:

- a) Before using the power supply make sure that you are getting the necessary voltage range, by measuring with the **multimeter**.
- b) Before using the resistance make sure of their values, by measuring **with a multimeter**.
- c) Before using the Ammeter and Voltmeter check for zero setting.

1.5 EXPERIMENTS

1 . 1 Verification of Maximum Power Transfer Theorem.

APPARATUS:

Power supply (10Vdc), multimeter, resistors: 100 ohms, 200 ohms, 300 ohms, 400 ohms, 500 ohms, 600 ohms, 800 ohms, 1000 ohms (nominal values).

PROCEDURE:

Arrange the circuit as shown in Fig.1.8. Make $R = 500$ ohms, and R_L as 100 ohms. Connect a voltmeter across the load to **measure** the voltage drop across the load (R_L). Keep the output of the power supply at 10V with the output-varying knob. Note the voltage across the load resistor in Observation Table I. Now replace the load resistor by another resistor of different value and measure the voltage across it. Make $V_1 = 10$ volts by **adjustment**, before you measure and note the value of voltage across R_L . Repeat the experiment with at least 8 different resistors. In each case record your **measurements** in the Observation Table I.

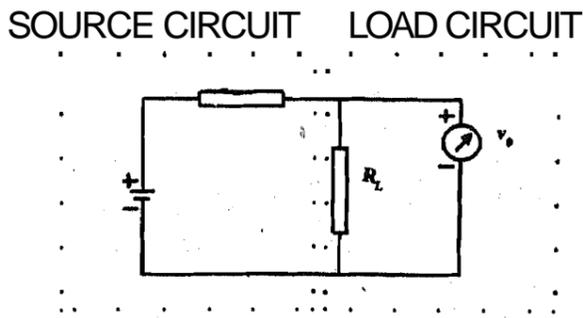


Fig. 1.8

OBSERVATION TABLE I

Value of source impedance (R) = 500 ohms
Source voltage (V_s) = 10 volts.

S.NO.	Load Resistance (R_L) ohms	Output voltage V_o Volts	Power Transfer (calculate) $P = V_o^2 / R_L$ Watts
1.			
2.			
3.			
4.			
5.			
6.			
7.			
8.			

Now plot a graph between load resistance R_L and power transferred.

P
O
W
E
R

LOAD RESISTANCE

With the help of the graph explain your result, and record your findings in the space below. What do you observe from the nature of the graph? What is the condition for maximum power transfer?

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When the maximum power is transferred from source to the load, then, the output voltage V_o compared to V_s ? More? Less? Somewhat is the write your choice & your comments:

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1.5.2 Application of Superposition Theorem,

APPARATUS

Two voltage sources, multimeter, and three resistors 500 ohms each.

PROCEDURE:

STEP 1:

Connect the circuit as shown in Fig.1.9.a. Set V_1 about 10 volts, and V_2 about 5 volts. Before turning on the power supplies, calculate the current expected. Write the value here..... Choose an appropriate multimeter range, and turn on the power supplies.

Record the supply voltage in each loop & the current in the first loop. Record the current as I_a , in Observation Table II. Repeat Step 1 three times.

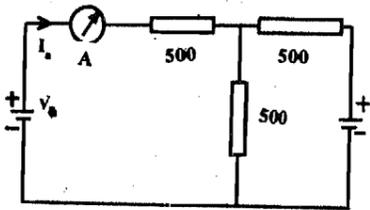


Fig.1.9.a

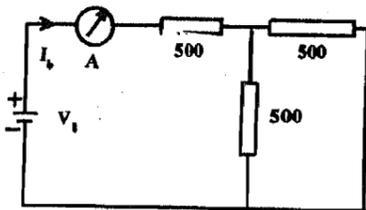


Fig.1.9.b

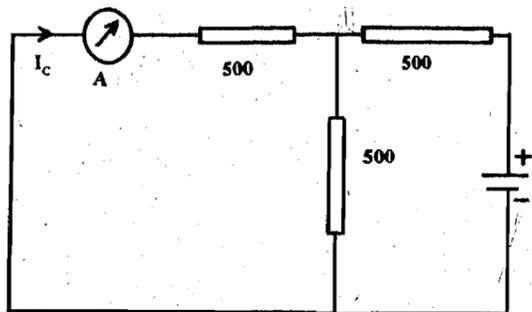


Fig.1.9.c

STEP 2:

Now change the circuit to that of Fig.1.9.b. With V_1 at the same value, note the current in the first loop as I_b . Repeat Step 2 three times.

STEP 3:

Now change the circuit to that of Fig.1.9.c. With V_2 the same as in STEP 1, note the current in the first loop as I_c . Repeat step 3 three times.

Repeat the three steps for $V_1 = 5$ volts and $V_2 = 5$ volts.

Repeat the three steps for $V_1 = 2$ volts and $V_2 = 6$ volts.

All readings should be recorded in Observation Table II.

OBSERVATION TABLE II

S.NO.	V_1 (volts)	V_2 (volts)	I_a (amp)	I_{ob} (amp)	I_c (amp)	$I_b + I_c$ (calculate) -- (amp)

With the help of the results compare the values I_a and $I_b + I_c$ taking into account the experimental error you observe. Explain how it confirms the Superposition Theorem, in the space provided below.

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1.5.3 Verification of the Reciprocity Theorem

APPARATUS:

Two voltage sources (0 to 10 volts), multimeter, three resistors 500 ohms each, one 1000 ohms.

PROCEDURE:

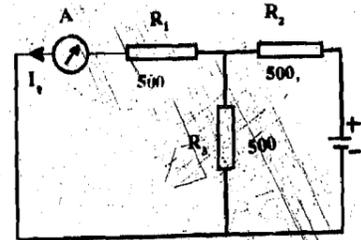


Fig.1.10.a

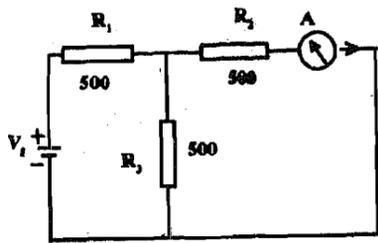


Fig.1.10.b

STEP 1:

Arrange the circuit as shown in Fig.1.10.a. Set V_2 at approximately 5 volts, and measure V_2 and I_1 , noting them in Observation Table III. Repeat Step 1 three times.

STEP 2:

Now connect the circuit of Fig.1.10.b. Set V_1 at approximately 3 volts and measure V_1 and I_2 , noting them in Observation Table III. Repeat Step 2 three times.

STEP 3:

Calculate V_2/I_1 and V_1/I_2 , and enter in the Observation Table III. Repeat Step 3 three times.

Repeat the steps above, using $R_1 = 1000$ ohms and $R_2 = R_3 = 500$ ohms.

Repeat the steps again, using the same set of resistors but with V_1 about 7 volts and V_2 about 10 volts.

OBSERVATION TABLE III

Sl. No.	V_1 (volts)	I_2 (amps)	V_2 (volts)	I_1 (amps)	V_2/I_1 (ohms)	V_1/I_2 (ohms)

How do the calculations agree with the predictions of the Reciprocity Theorem, taking into account the experimental errors experienced?

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In the above experiments, will the Theorem hold good if the two voltages V_1 and V_2 are present at the same time?

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1.5.4 Application of Thevenin's Theorem.

APPARATUS:

Variable power supply (0 to 10 V), two resistors of 500 ohms each, a variable resistor and a multimeter.

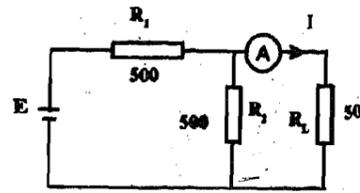


Fig.1.11.a

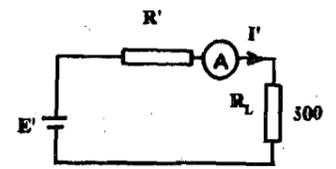


Fig.1.11.b

PROCEDURE:

Arrange the circuit as shown in Fig.1.11.a. Measure the current I through the load R_L . Now arrange the Thevenin's equivalent circuit Fig.1.11.b by calculating the value of R' and E' as :

$$R' = \frac{R_1 * R_2}{R_1 + R_2} \quad ; \quad E' = \frac{E * R_2}{R_1 + R_2}$$

Measure the current I' through the load in the equivalent circuit. Repeat the experiment using two different pairs of resistors R_1 and R_2 . Record the data in Observation Table IV. Repeat the Procedure three times.

OBSERVATION TABLE IV
E = Volt $R_L = 500$ ohm

S.NO.	R_1	R_2	I	E'	R'	I'

Compare the values I and I'.

Explain your result and record your findings in the space given below, taking into account the experiment errors experienced.

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In the above experiment, calculate the values of currents I and I' using ohms's law and compare with your measured values

1.6 CONCLUSIONS:

After the experiments, list your findings.

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