

## Chapter 20

### AC Network Theorems

## Superposition Theorem

- Voltage across (or current through) an element
  - Determined by summing voltage (or current) due to each independent source
- All sources (except dependent sources) other than the one being considered are eliminated

## Superposition Theorem

- Replace current sources with opens
- Replace voltage sources with shorts

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## Superposition Theorem

- Circuit may operate at more than one frequency at a time
- Superposition is the only analysis method that can be used in this case
- Reactances must be recalculated for each different frequency

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## Superposition Theorem

- Diode and transistor circuits will have both dc and ac sources
- Superposition can still be applied

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## Superposition Theorem

- Superposition theorem can be applied only to voltage and current
- It cannot be used to solve for total power dissipated by an element
- Power is not a linear quantity
  - Follows a square-law relationship

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## Superposition for Dependent Sources

- If controlling element is external to the circuit under consideration
  - Method is the same as for independent sources

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## Superposition for Dependent Sources

- Simply remove sources one at a time and solve for desired voltage or current
- Combine the results

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## Superposition for Dependent Sources

- If the dependent source is controlled by an element located in the circuit
  - Analysis is different
  - Dependent source cannot be eliminated

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## Superposition for Dependent Sources

- Circuit must be analyzed by considering all effects simultaneously

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## Thévenin's Theorem

- Converts an ac circuit into a single ac voltage source in series with an equivalent impedance
- First, identify and remove the element or elements across which the equivalent circuit is to be found

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## Thévenin's Theorem

- Label two open terminals
- Set all sources to zero
  - Replace voltage sources with shorts
  - Current sources with opens

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## Thévenin's Theorem

- Calculate the Thévenin equivalent impedance
- Replace the sources and determine open-circuit voltage

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## Thévenin's Theorem

- If more than one source is involved
  - Superposition may be used
- Draw resulting Thévenin equivalent circuit
  - Including the portion removed

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## Norton's Theorem

- Converts an ac network into an equivalent circuit
  - Consists of a single current source and a parallel impedance
- First, identify and remove the element or elements across which the Norton circuit is to be found

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## Norton's Theorem

- Label the open terminals
- Set all sources to zero

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## Norton's Theorem

- Determine Norton equivalent impedance
- Replace sources and calculate short-circuit current

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## Norton's Theorem

- Superposition may be used for multiple sources
- Draw resulting Norton circuit
  - Including portion removed

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## Thévenin and Norton Circuits

- Possible to find Norton equivalent circuit from Thévenin equivalent circuit
  - Use source transformation method
- $Z_N = Z_{Th}$
- $I_N = E_{Th}/Z_{Th}$

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## Thévenin's and Norton's Theorems

- If a circuit contains a dependent source controlled by an element outside the area of interest
  - Previous methods can be used to find the Thévenin or Norton circuit

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## Thévenin's and Norton's Theorems

- If a circuit contains a dependent source controlled by an element in the circuit
  - Other methods must be used

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## Thevenin's and Norton's Theorems

- If a circuit has a dependent source controlled by an element in the circuit
  - Use following steps to determine equivalent circuit

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## Thevenin's and Norton's Theorems

- First
  - Identify and remove branch across equivalent circuit is to be determined
- Label the open terminals

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## Thevenin's and Norton's Theorems

- Calculate open-circuit voltage
  - Dependent source cannot be set to zero
  - Its effects must be considered
- Determine the short-circuit current

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## Thevenin's and Norton's Theorems

- $Z_N = Z_{Th} = E_{Th}/I_N$
- Draw equivalent circuit, replacing the removed branch

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## Thevenin's and Norton's Theorems

- A circuit may have more than one independent source
- It is necessary to determine the open-circuit voltage and short-circuit current due to each independent source

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## Thevenin's and Norton's Theorems

- Effects of dependent source must be considered simultaneously

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## Maximum Power Transfer Theorem

- Maximum power
  - Delivered to a load when the load impedance is the complex conjugate of the Thévenin or Norton impedance

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## Maximum Power Transfer Theorem

- $Z_{Th} = 3\Omega + j4\Omega$      $Z_L = Z_{Th}^* = 3\Omega - j4\Omega$
- $Z_{Th} = 10\Omega \angle 30^\circ$      $Z_L = Z_{Th}^* = 10\Omega \angle -30^\circ$

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## Maximum Power Transfer Theorem

- If the  $Z_L$  is the complex conjugate of  $Z_{Th}$  or  $Z_N$

$$P_L = \frac{E_{Th}^2 R_L}{(R_{Th} + R_L)^2}$$

$$P_{max} = \frac{E_{Th}^2}{4R_{Th}}$$

$$P_{max} = \frac{I_N^2 Z_N^2}{4R_N}$$

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## Relative Maximum Power

- If it is not possible to adjust reactance part of a load
  - A relative maximum power will be delivered
- Load resistance has a value determined by

$$R_L = \sqrt{R_{Th}^2 + (X \pm X_{Th})^2}$$

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