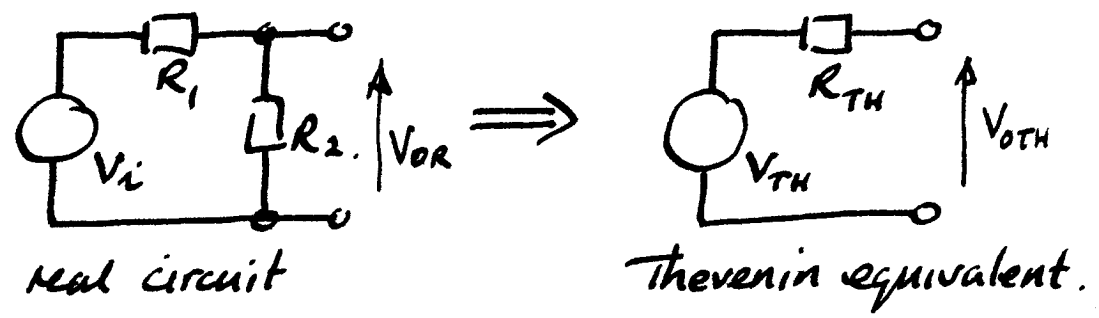


# EEE103 / EEE121 / EEE141 Problem Sheet Solutions

## Background Knowledge

Q1



Need to find the  $R_{TH}$  +  $V_{TH}$  that will make the Thevenin equivalent indistinguishable from the real ckt .... ie

output voltage of real = output voltage thevenin  
 short circuit output current of real = short circuit output current of Thevenin

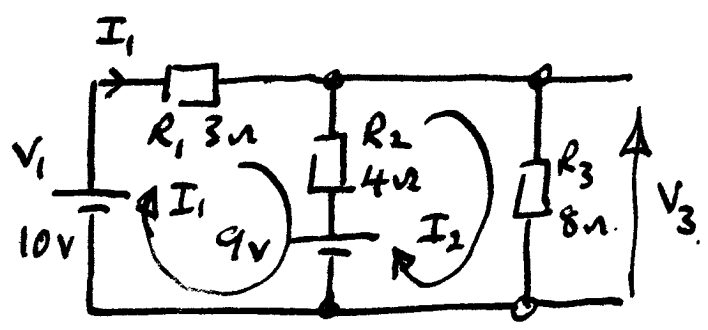
$$V_{OR} = V_i \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} = V_{OTH} \text{ for equivalence} = V_{TH}$$

$$I_{SCR} = V_i / R_1 = V_{TH} / R_{TH} \text{ for equivalence}$$

$$\text{so } R_{TH} = \frac{V_{TH} R_1}{V_i} = \frac{R_1}{V_i} \cdot V_i \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} = \underline{\underline{R_1 \parallel R_2}}$$

$$\text{ie } V_{TH} = V_i \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} \text{ and } R_{TH} = \frac{R_1 R_2}{R_1 + R_2}$$

Q2. Firstly using loops:



$$10 = I_1 R_1 + (I_1 - I_2) R_2 + 9 \quad \text{--- ①}$$

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$$9 = R_2(I_2 - I_1) + R_3 I_2 \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$V_3 = R_3 I_2 \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

expanding ①

$$10 = 3I_1 + 4I_1 - 4I_2 + 9$$

$$\text{or } 1 = 7I_1 - 4I_2 \quad \text{--- (4)}$$

expanding ②

$$9 = 4I_2 - 4I_1 + 8I_2$$

$$\text{or } 9 = 12I_2 - 4I_1 \quad \text{--- (5)}$$

eliminating  $I_2$  from ④ + ⑤ gives.

$$9 = 12 \left[ \frac{7I_1 - 1}{4} \right] - 4I_1 = 21I_1 - 3 - 4I_1$$

$$\text{or } I_1 = 12/17 = \underline{\underline{0.706 A}}$$

$$\text{using ④, } 1 = 7 \times \frac{12}{17} - 4I_2 \text{ or } I_2 = 0.985 A.$$

$$\text{and using ③, } V_3 = 8I_2 = \underline{\underline{7.88 V}}.$$

Using superposition to find  $V_3$  ....

$$\begin{aligned} V_{3(10V)} &= V_1 \cdot \frac{R_2 \parallel R_3}{R_1 + R_2 \parallel R_3} = 10 \cdot \frac{32/12}{3 + 32/12} = \frac{10 \cdot 8/3}{17/3} \\ &= 80/17 \text{ V} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} V_{3(9V)} &= V_2 \frac{R_1 \parallel R_3}{R_2 + R_1 \parallel R_3} = 9 \cdot \frac{24/11}{4 + 24/11} = 9 \cdot \frac{24/11}{68/11} \\ &= 54/17 \text{ V} \end{aligned}$$

$$V_{3\text{TOT}} = V_{3(10)} + V_{3(9)} = \frac{134}{17} \text{ V} = \underline{\underline{7.88 V}}.$$

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using superposition to find  $I_1$  ....

$$I_{1(10)} = V_1 / (R_1 + R_2 \parallel R_3) = \frac{10}{3 + 8/3} = \frac{30}{17} \text{ A}.$$

$$I_{1(9)} = -V_3 / R_1 = -\frac{1}{R_1} \cdot \frac{9 \cdot \frac{24}{11}}{4 + \frac{24}{11}} = -\frac{1}{3} \cdot 9 \cdot \frac{6}{17} \\ = -18/17.$$

$$\therefore I_{1 \text{ TOT}} = I_{1(10)} + I_{1(9)} = \frac{30}{17} - \frac{18}{17} = \underline{\underline{0.706 \text{ A}}}.$$

To find Norton equivalent ....

(i) put short ckt across output terminals and calculate current through it ....

$$I_{SC(10V)} = \frac{10}{3} = 3.33 \text{ A}.$$

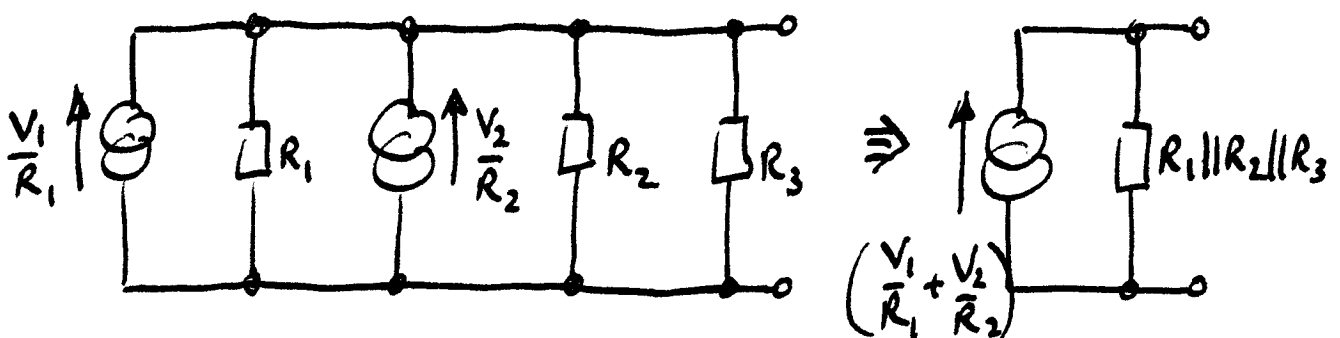
$$I_{SC(9V)} = \frac{9}{4} = 2.25 \text{ A}.$$

$$\therefore I_{SC \text{ TOT}} = \frac{10}{3} + \frac{9}{4} = \frac{67}{12} = \underline{\underline{5.58 \text{ A}}}.$$

$\therefore$  The Norton current source is  $5.58 \text{ A}$ .

$$(ii) \text{ The Norton parallel resistance is } V_3 / I_N \\ = \frac{134/17}{67/12} = \frac{12 \times 134}{67 \times 17} = \frac{24}{17} = \underline{\underline{1.41 \Omega}}.$$

One could also have transformed the limbs of the original circuit... and then summed ....



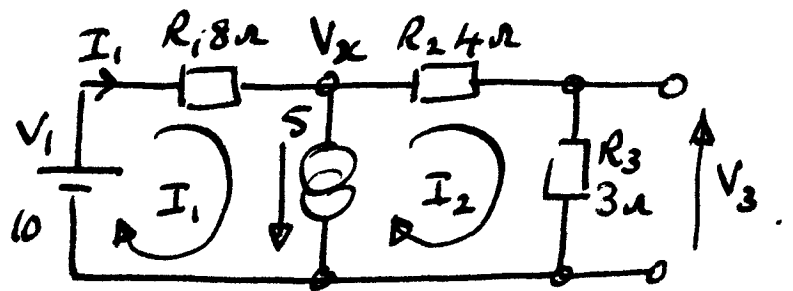
to find the value of  $V_2$  that would make  $I_1 = 0$ , one can make use of the superposition process at the top of page 3 with 9V replaced by  $V_2$  ....

$$I_{1(TOT)} = I_{1(10)} + I_{1(V_2)} = \frac{30}{17} - V_2 \cdot \frac{2}{17}$$

and  $I_{1(TOT)} = 0$  is required .... so

$$\frac{30}{17} - \frac{V_2 \cdot 2}{17} = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad V_2 = \frac{30}{2} = \underline{\underline{15V}}$$

Q3 Using loops...  
it is necessary  
to define a  
variable  $V_x$   
for the unknown  
node voltage ...



$$10 = I_1 R_1 + V_x \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$V_x = I_2 R_2 + I_2 R_3 \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$I_1 - I_2 = 5 \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

eliminating  $V_x$  from (1) and (2) ...

$$10 = I_1 R_1 + I_2 R_2 + I_2 R_3$$

$$= 8I_1 + 7I_2$$

and using (3) to eliminate  $I_2$  ...

$$= 8I_1 + 7(I_1 - 5) = 15I_1 - 35$$

$$\text{or } I_1 = \frac{35 + 10}{15} = \frac{45}{15} = \underline{\underline{3A}}$$

$$\text{using (3), } I_2 = -5 + I_1 = -2A$$

$$\therefore V_3 = I_2 R_3 = \underline{\underline{-6V}}$$

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Using superposition to find  $I_1 \dots$

$$I_{1(10)} = 10 / (8 + 4 + 3) = 2/3 \text{ A.}$$

$$\begin{aligned} I_{1(5A)} &= - \frac{V_x}{R_1} = - \frac{(-5(R_2 + R_3) \parallel R_1)}{R_1} \\ &= \frac{5(R_2 + R_3)}{R_1 + R_2 + R_3} = \frac{5 \times 7}{15} = \frac{7}{3}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore I_{1\text{TOT}} = I_{1(10)} + I_{1(5A)} = \frac{2}{3} + \frac{7}{3} = \underline{\underline{3A}}.$$

to find  $V_3 \dots$

$$V_{3(10)} = 10 \cdot \frac{R_3}{R_1 + R_2 + R_3} = 10 \cdot \frac{3}{15} = 2 \text{ V.}$$

$$\begin{aligned} V_{3(5)} &= V_x \cdot \frac{R_3}{R_2 + R_3} = -5(R_2 + R_3) \parallel R_1 \cdot \frac{R_3}{R_2 + R_3} \\ &= -5 \cdot \frac{56}{15} \cdot \frac{3}{7} = -8 \text{ V.} \end{aligned}$$

$$V_{3\text{TOT}} = V_{3(10)} + V_{3(5A)} = 2 - 8 = \underline{\underline{-6V}}.$$

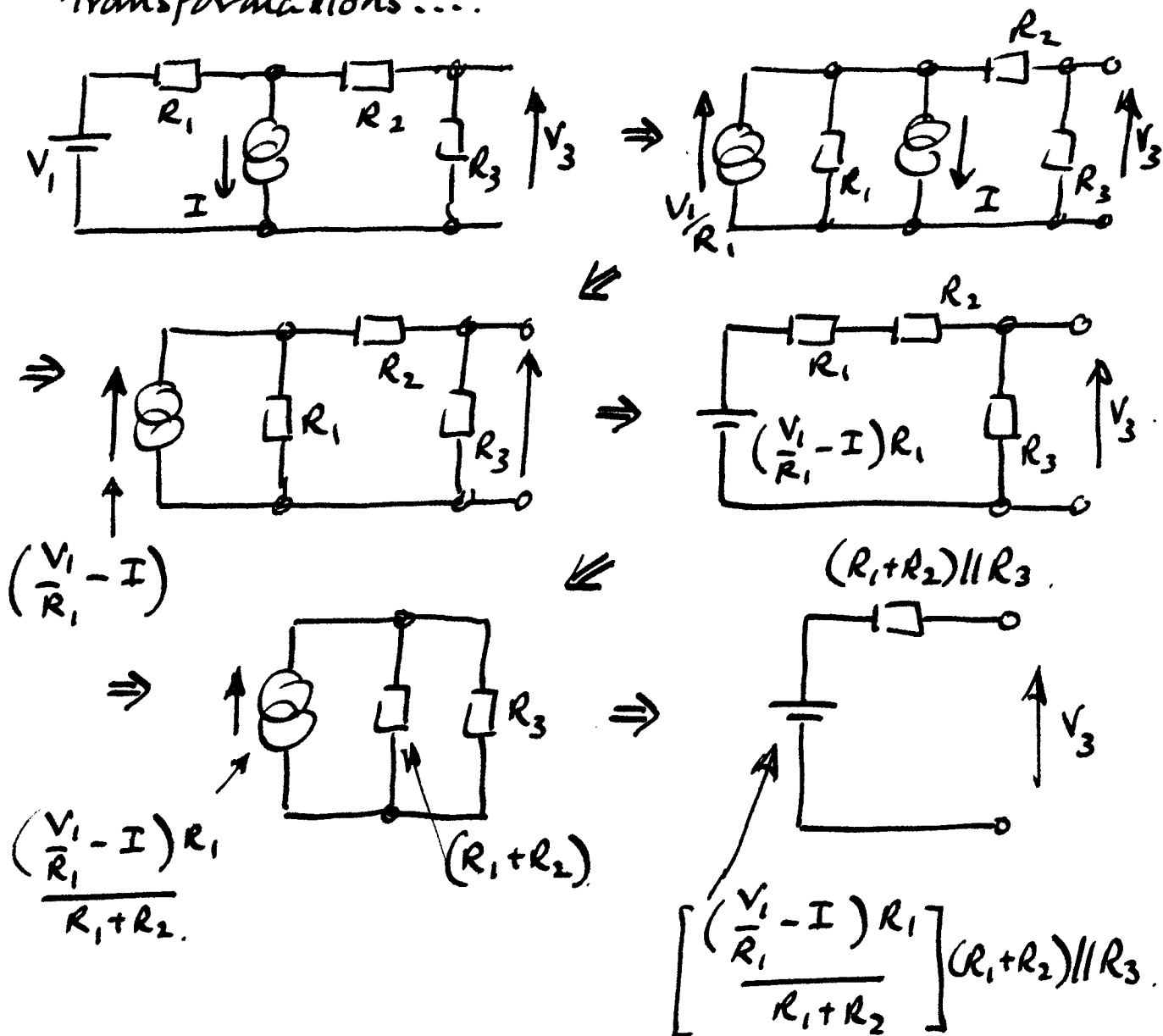
For the Thevenin equivalent circuit,  $V_{TH}$  is  $V_3$  (by definition) and to find  $R_{TH}$ , either look into  $V_3$  terminals with  $V_1$  replaced by 0 or and  $I$  by  $\infty$  or and work out resistance or work out the current that would flow through a short circuit placed across the  $V_3$  terminals and use  $R_{TH} = V_3 / I_{sc}$ .

$$V_{TH} = \underline{\underline{-6V}}.$$

$$R_{TH} = R_3 \parallel (R_1 + R_2) = \frac{36}{15} = \underline{\underline{2.4 \Omega}}.$$

(6)

or yet another possibility is to do successive transformations....



This method is a bit laborious but gives excellent transformation practice.

To find  $I$  that will make  $V_3 = 0$ , use superposition  $V_3$  approach on page 5 and replace 5 by  $I$ ...

$$V_{3(0)} + V_{3(I)} = 0 = 2V + \frac{(-I(R_2 + R_3) \parallel R_1) R_3}{R_2 + R_3}$$

$$\text{or } 2 = \frac{I R_1 R_3}{R_1 + R_2 + R_3} = I \cdot \frac{24}{15} \quad \therefore \underline{\underline{I = 1.25A}}$$

- Q4 (i) everything has units of current except for the  $I_5/R_6$  term
- (ii) The common unit is volts. The  $I_4(R_3+1)$  and the  $R_3$  terms are wrong.
- (iii) is correct; both sides have units of  $R$ .
- (iv) The unit on both sides is  $V$ . All the  $j\omega$  terms are dimensionless (and hence correct) except for the last one,  $j\omega C_2 R_1 R_2$ , that has units of  $R$  and is incorrect. [remember  $\omega$  has units of  $1/\text{time}$ ,  $CR$  has units of time,  $j$  is dimensionless.]
- (v) The  $j\omega(C_1+C_2)R^2$  term has units of  $R$  and should be dimensionless.
- (vi) The  $j\omega L$  term has units of  $R$  and should be dimensionless.
- (vii) is correct;  $Z$  is impedance with units of  $R$ , each term in numerator of right hand side has units of  $R$ , each term in r.h.s. denominator is dimensionless.