

Network Theorems

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Substitution Theorem

Substitution Theorem

Theorem (Sufficient Condition for Uniqueness Solution)

Suppose that N is a *strictly passive LTI RLCMT network*, such that all its resistors have positive resistances, all its capacitors have positive capacitances, all its inductors have positive inductances. Suppose further that every set of coupled inductors has a positive definite inductance matrix. Under these conditions, given any *initial state* and any set of *inputs*, the network N has a *unique solution*.

- **Proof:** Non-singularity of the admittance matrix $\mathbf{Y}_n(s)$.
- **Common LTI circuits:** Strictly passive LTI RLCMT networks.
- **Degenerate LTI circuits:** LTI circuits with unit coupling factor, dependent sources, negative resistors, ...

Substitution Theorem

Theorem (Substitution Theorem)

Consider an *arbitrary network* which contains a number of independent sources. Suppose that for these sources and for the given initial conditions the network has a *unique solution* for all its branch voltages and branch currents. Consider a particular branch, say *branch k*, which is *not coupled* to other branches of the network. Let j_k and v_k be the current and voltage waveforms of branch k . Suppose that branch k is replaced by either an *independent current source with waveform j_k* or an *independent voltage source with waveform v_k* . If the modified network has a *unique solution* for all its branch currents and branch voltages, then these branch currents and branch voltages are *identical* with those of the *original network*.

- **Proof:** Same KCL and KVL equations for the original and modified networks.
- **Coupled branch:** Dependent source or coupled inductive element.
- **Circuits with unique solution:** Strictly passive LTI RLCMT networks.
- **Circuits without unique solution:** Nonlinear or time-varying circuits as well as degenerate LTI circuits.

Substitution Theorem

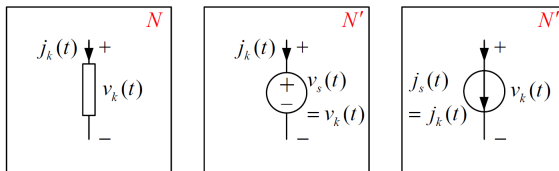


Figure: The three networks have unique solutions and branch k is not a coupled element or dependent source. The three networks have the same set of branch voltages and currents.

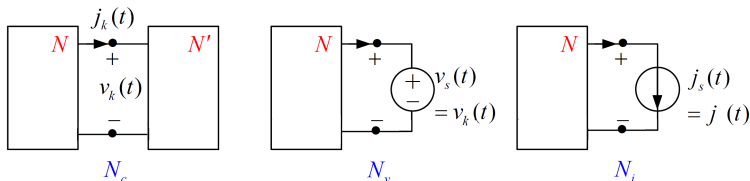
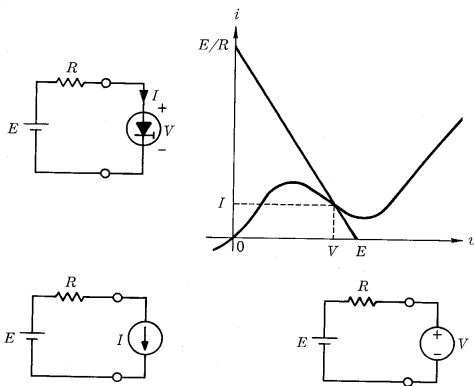


Figure: The three networks have unique solutions and sub-networks N and N' are not coupled. The sub-network N has the same solution in all three scenarios.

Substitution Theorem

Example (Tunnel diode circuit)

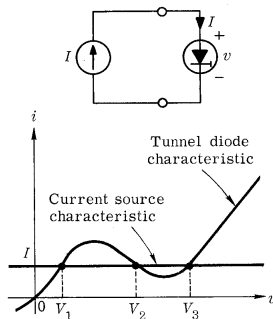
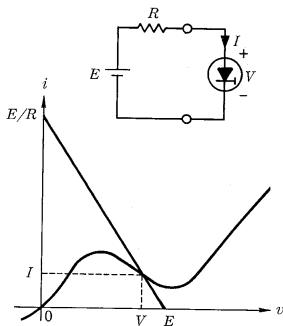
The tunnel diode can be replaced by a current or voltage source according to the substitution theorem.



Substitution Theorem

Example (Tunnel diode diode)

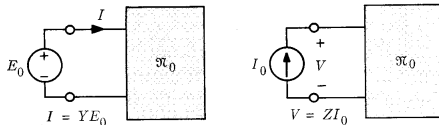
The resistor cannot be replaced by a current source due to failure of solution uniqueness condition required for the substitution theorem.



Substitution Theorem

Example (Admittance and impedance)

The admittance of a port is the inverse of the corresponding impedance of the port.



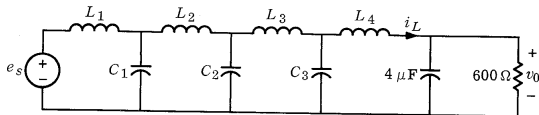
$$Y(s) = \frac{I(s)}{E_0(s)}, \quad Z(s) = \frac{V(s)}{I_0(s)}$$

$$I_0(s) = I(s) \Rightarrow V(s) = E_0(s) \Rightarrow Y(s) = \frac{I(s)}{E_0(s)} = \frac{I_0(s)}{V(s)} = \frac{1}{Z(s)}$$

Substitution Theorem

Example (Ladder network)

The ladder network shown below is in the sinusoidal steady state. If $i_L(t) = 0.01 \cos(377t)$ mA, then $v_0(t) = 4.45 \cos(377t - 0.74)$.



$$V_0 = \frac{\frac{1}{j4 \times 10^{-6} \times 377}}{\frac{1}{j4 \times 10^{-6} \times 377} + 600} \times 0.01 \times 600 = 4.45 \angle -42.14^\circ \Rightarrow v_0(t) = 4.45 \cos(377t - 0.74)$$

Superposition Theorem

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Theorem (Superposition Theorem)

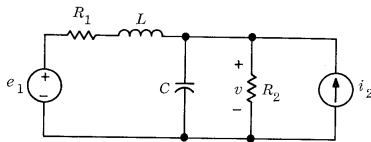
Let N be a **linear network**; i.e., let each of its elements be either an independent source or a linear element (linear resistor, linear inductor, linear capacitor, linear transformer, or linear dependent source). The elements may be time-varying. We further assume that N has a **unique zero-state response** to the independent source waveforms, whatever they may be. Let the **response** of N be either the current in a specific branch of N , or the voltage across any specific node pair of N , or more generally **any linear combination of currents and voltages**. Under these conditions, the **zero state response** of N due to **all the independent sources acting simultaneously** is equal to the **sum of the zero-state responses** due to **each independent source acting one at a time**.

- **Proof:** Linearity of KCL, KVL, and LTI elements.
- **Linear circuits:** LTI or LTV circuits.
- **Nonlinear networks:** Superposition may not apply to nonlinear networks.
- **Sinusoidal steady state:** Superposition applies to sinusoidal steady state.
- **Laplace analysis:** $Y(s) = \sum_i H_i(s)W_i(s)$, $H_i(s) = \frac{Y(s)}{W_i(s)}|_{W_k(s)=0, k \neq i}$.
- **Initial conditions:** Can be modeled by independent sources.

Superposition Theorem

Example (Transfer function)

Superposition theorem can be described in terms of transfer functions.



$$H_1(s) = \frac{V(s)}{E_1(s)} \Big|_{i_2(s)=0} = \frac{R_2 \parallel \frac{1}{Cs}}{R_2 \parallel \frac{1}{Cs} + R_1 + Ls}$$

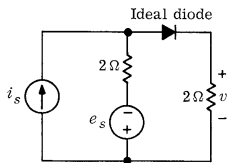
$$H_2(s) = \frac{V(s)}{i_2(s)} \Big|_{E_1(s)=0} = R_2 \frac{(R_1 + Ls) \parallel \frac{1}{Cs}}{(R_1 + Ls) \parallel \frac{1}{Cs} + R_2}$$

$$V(s) = H_1(s)E_1(s) + H_2(s)i_2(s)$$

Superposition Theorem

Example (Nonlinear circuit)

In general, superposition does not apply to nonlinear circuits.



$$\begin{cases} i_s = 10, e_s = 0 \Rightarrow v = 10 \\ i_s = 0, e_s = 10 \Rightarrow v = 0 \\ i_s = 10, e_s = 10 \Rightarrow v = 5 \end{cases}$$
$$\begin{cases} i_s = 10, e_s = 0 \Rightarrow v = 10 \\ i_s = 0, e_s = -10 \Rightarrow v = 5 \\ i_s = 10, e_s = -10 \Rightarrow v = 15 \end{cases}$$

Thevenin-Norton Equivalent Network Theorem

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Theorem (Thevenin-Norton Equivalent Network Theorem)

Let the **linear network N** be connected by two of its **terminals $1 - 1'$** to an **arbitrary load**. Let N consist of independent sources and linear resistors, linear capacitors, linear inductors, linear transformers, and linear dependent sources. The elements may be time-varying. We further assume that N has a **unique solution** when it is terminated by the load, and when the load is replaced by an independent source. Let N_0 be the network obtained from N by setting all **independent sources to zero** and all **initial conditions to zero**. Let e_{oc} be the **open-circuit voltage** of N observed at terminals $1 - 1'$. Let i_{sc} be the **short circuit current** of N flowing out of 1 into $1'$. Under these conditions, whatever the load may be, the voltage waveform $v(t)$ across $1 - 1'$ and the current waveform $i(t)$ through 1 and $1'$ remain unchanged when the **network N** is replaced by either its **Thevenin equivalent** or by its **Norton equivalent** network.

- **Proof:** Superposition theorem.
- **Arbitrary load:** Nonlinear time-varying load.
- **Terminal interaction:** Exclusive interaction with the load through the terminal.

Thevenin-Norton Equivalent Network Theorem

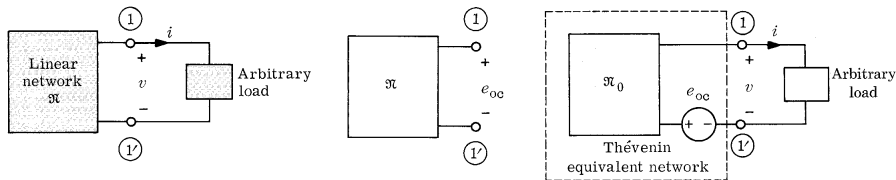


Figure: Thevenin equivalent circuit for a linear circuit.

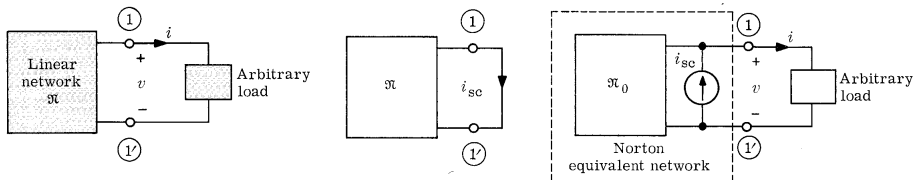


Figure: Norton equivalent circuit for a linear circuit.

Thevenin-Norton Equivalent Network Theorem

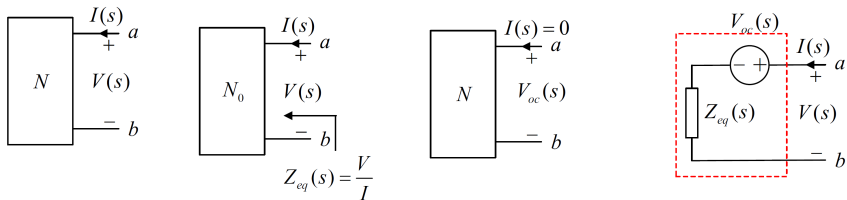


Figure: Thevenin equivalent circuit in Laplace domain for an LTI circuit. Clearly, $V_{oc} = Z_{eq} I_{sc}$.

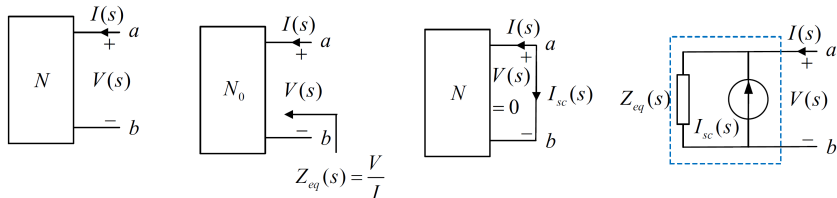
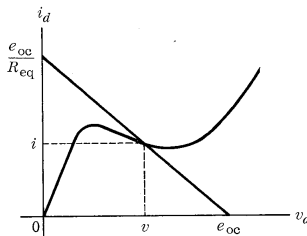
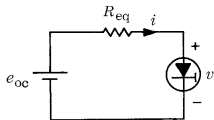
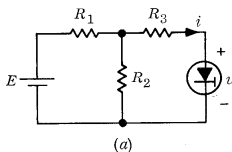


Figure: Norton equivalent circuit in Laplace domain for an LTI circuit. Clearly, $V_{oc} = Z_{eq} I_{sc}$.

Thevenin-Norton Equivalent Network Theorem

Example (Nonlinear load)

Thevenin equivalent circuit can be used to determine the working point of the nonlinear circuit below with only one nonlinear load element.

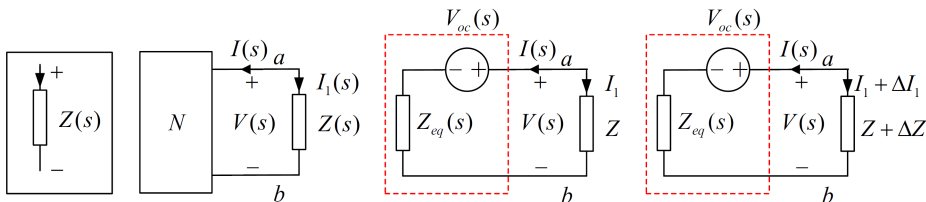


$$R_{eq} = \frac{R_1 R_2}{R_1 + R_2} + R_3, \quad e_{oc} = \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} E, \quad v = e_{oc} - R_{eq} i$$

Thevenin-Norton Equivalent Network Theorem

Example (Sensitivity analysis)

Thevenin equivalent circuit can facilitate sensitivity analysis.

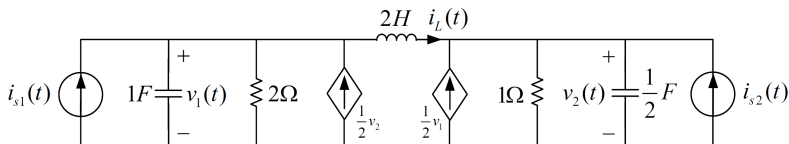


$$S_Z^{I_1} = \frac{dI_1}{dZ} = \frac{d}{dZ} \left[\frac{V_{oc}}{Z_{eq} + Z} \right] = -\frac{V_{oc}}{(Z_{eq} + Z)^2} = -\frac{I_1}{Z_{eq} + Z}$$

Thevenin-Norton Equivalent Network Theorem

Example (Laplace analysis)

Laplace analysis can be used to obtain the Thevenin or Norton equivalent circuits.



$$V_1(s) = H_1(s)I_{s_1}(s) + H_2(s)I_{s_2}(s) + \frac{F_0(s)}{A_2(s)} = Z_{eq}(s)I_{s_1} + V_{oc}(s)$$

Reciprocity Theorem

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Theorem (Reciprocity Theorem (first statement))

Consider a *linear time-invariant network* N ; which consists of *resistors, inductors, coupled inductors, capacitors, and transformers* only. N is in the *zero state* and is *not degenerate*. Connect four wires to N thus obtaining *two pairs of terminals* $1-1'$ and $2-2'$. Now, connect a *voltage source* $e_0(t)$ to terminals $1-1'$ and observe the *zero state current response* $j_2(t)$ in a short circuit connected to $2-2'$. Next, connect the same voltage source $e_0(t)$ to terminals $2-2'$ and observe the *zero-state current response* $\hat{j}_1(t)$ in a short circuit connected to $1-1'$. The reciprocity theorem asserts that *whatever the topology and the element values* of the network N and whatever the *waveform* $e_0(t)$ of the source, $j_2(t) = \hat{j}_1(t)$.

- **Proof:** Tellegen's theorem.
- **Reciprocal circuit:** Any circuit for which reciprocity is held.
- **Common reciprocal circuits:** RLCMT network in zero-state without independent and dependent sources
- **Nonreciprocal circuits:** Gyrator, dependent sources, independent sources, ...

Reciprocity Theorem

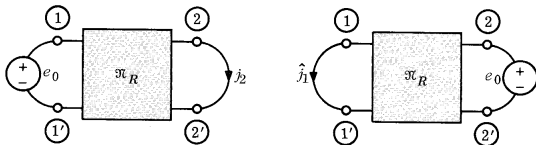


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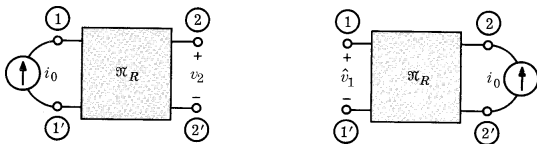


Figure: Second statement of the **reciprocity theorem** assures $v_2(t) = \hat{v}_1(t)$.

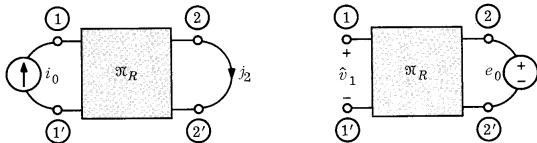


Figure: Third statement of the **reciprocity theorem** assures $j_2(t) \equiv \hat{v}_1(t)$ if $i_0(t) \equiv e_0(t)$.

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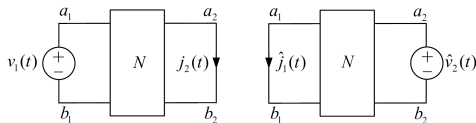


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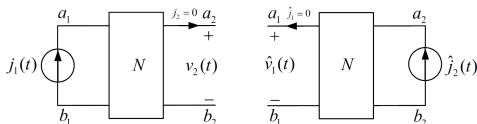


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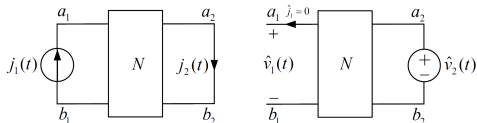


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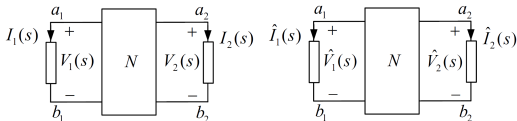


Figure: Reciprocity theorem for an RLCMT network.

$$\sum_{k=1}^b V_k I_k = 0, \quad \sum_{k=1}^b \hat{V}_k I_k = 0, \quad \sum_{k=1}^b V_k \hat{I}_k = 0, \quad \sum_{k=1}^b \hat{V}_k \hat{I}_k = 0$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^b v_k \hat{l}_k = \sum_{k=1}^b \hat{v}_k l_k \Rightarrow v_1 \hat{l}_1 + v_2 \hat{l}_2 + \sum_{k=3}^b v_k \hat{l}_k = \hat{v}_1 l_1 + \hat{v}_2 l_2 + \sum_{k=3}^b \hat{v}_k l_k$$

$$\begin{cases} \text{R,L,C: } \hat{V}_k I_k = Z_k \hat{I}_k I_k = Z_k I_k \hat{I}_k = V_k \hat{I}_k \\ \text{M: } \hat{V}_m I_m + \hat{V}_n I_n = (L_m \hat{I}_m + M_{mn} \hat{I}_n) I_m + (M_{mn} \hat{I}_m + L_n \hat{I}_n) I_n = V_m \hat{I}_m + V_n \hat{I}_n \\ \text{T: } \hat{V}_m I_m + \hat{V}_n I_n = 0 = V_m \hat{I}_m + V_n \hat{I}_n \end{cases}$$

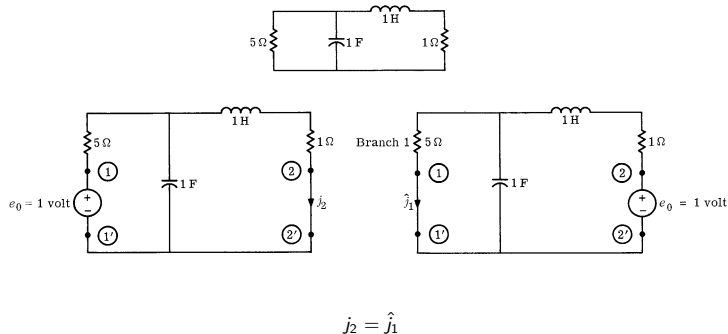
$$\Rightarrow V_1 \hat{h}_1 + V_2 \hat{h}_2 = \hat{V}_1 h_1 + \hat{V}_2 h_2$$

$$\begin{cases} \hat{V}_1 = 0, \hat{h}_1 = \hat{J}_1, \hat{V}_2, \hat{h}_2 = \hat{J}_2 \\ V_1, h_1 = J_1, V_2 = 0, h_2 = J_2 \end{cases} \Rightarrow J_2 \hat{V}_2 = V_1 \hat{J}_1 \Rightarrow \frac{J_2(s)}{V_1(s)} = \frac{\hat{J}_1(s)}{\hat{V}_2(s)}$$

Reciprocity Theorem

Example (Reciprocity theorem for an RLC network)

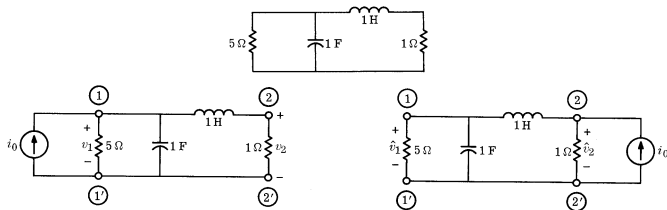
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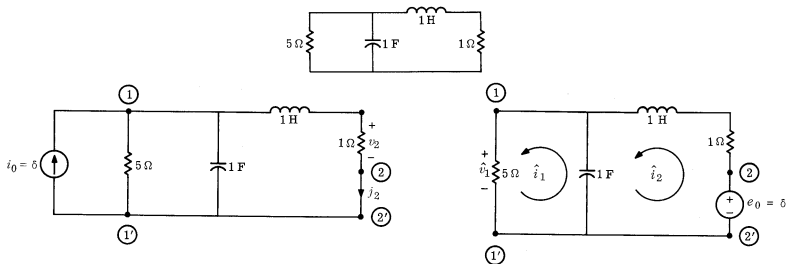


$$v_2 = \hat{v}_1$$

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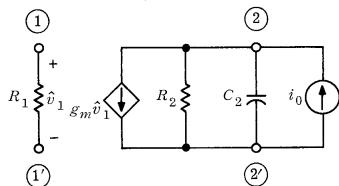
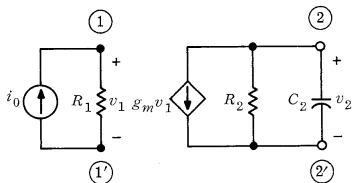


$$j_2 \equiv \hat{v}_1$$

Reciprocity Theorem

Example (Circuit with dependent source)

In general, reciprocity does not apply to the circuits with dependent sources.

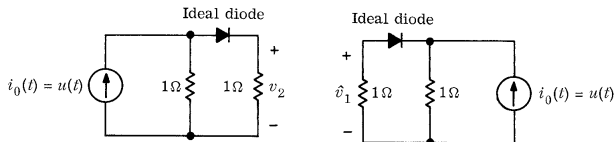


$$v_2(t) = -R_1 g_m R_2 I (1 - e^{-t/R_2 C_2}), t \geq 0; \quad \hat{v}_1(t) = 0, t \geq 0$$

Reciprocity Theorem

Example (Nonlinear circuit)

In general, reciprocity does not apply to the nonlinear circuits.

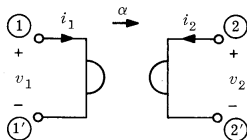


$$v_2(t) = 0.5, t \geq 0; \quad \hat{v}_1(t) = 0, t \geq 0$$

Reciprocity Theorem

Example (Gyrator)

Gyrator is a passive LTI non-reciprocal circuit.



$$\begin{cases} v_1(t) = \alpha i_2(t) \\ v_2(t) = -\alpha i_1(t) \end{cases} \Rightarrow v_1(t)i_1(t) + v_2(t)i_2(t) = 0$$

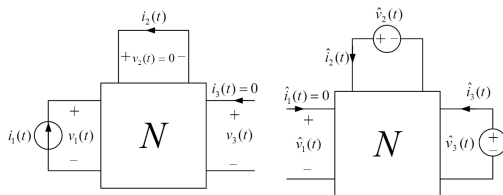
$$i_1(t) = i_0(t) \Rightarrow v_2(t) = -\alpha i_0(t)$$

$$\hat{i}_2(t) = i_0(t) \Rightarrow \hat{v}_1(t) = \alpha i_0(t)$$

Reciprocity Theorem

Example (Two-measurement experiment)

The network theorems can be used to find unknown network variables in a two-measurement experiment.



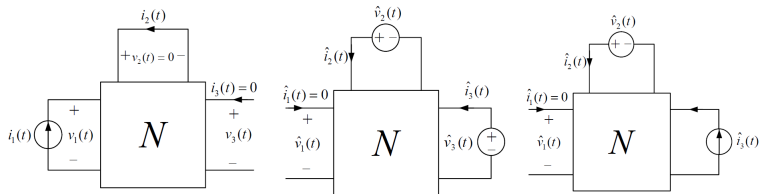
$$\begin{cases} v_1(t) = (-6e^{-t} + 14e^{-2t})u(t) \\ v_2(t) = 0 \\ v_3(t) = (-6e^{-t} + 12e^{-2t})u(t) \\ i_1(t) = \delta(t) \\ i_2(t) = -2e^{-2t}u(t) \\ i_3(t) = 0 \end{cases},$$

$$\begin{cases} \hat{v}_1(t) = ? \\ \hat{v}_2(t) = 24u(t) \\ \hat{v}_3(t) = (-12e^{-t} + 24e^{-2t})u(t) \\ \hat{i}_1(t) = 0 \\ \hat{i}_2(t) = 24e^{-2t}u(t) \\ \hat{i}_3(t) = 2\delta(t) \end{cases}$$

Reciprocity Theorem

Example (Two-measurement experiment)

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$$\hat{V}_1(s) = H_1(s)\hat{V}_2(s) + H_2(s)\hat{I}_3(s)$$

$$H_1(s) = \frac{\hat{V}_1(s)}{\hat{V}_2(s)} \Big|_{\hat{I}_3(s)=0} = \frac{-I_2}{I_1} = \frac{2}{s+2}$$

$$H_2(s) = \frac{\hat{V}_1(s)}{\hat{I}_3(s)} \Big|_{\hat{V}_2(s)=0} = \frac{V_3}{I_1} = \frac{-6}{s+1} + \frac{12}{s+2}$$

$$\hat{V}_1(s) = \frac{24}{s} - \frac{12}{s+1} \Rightarrow \hat{v}_2(t) = (24 - 12e^{-t})u(t)$$

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