

Introduction to Electrical Circuits

Final Term
Lecture - 05

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Superposition Theorem

The current through, or voltage across, an element in a linear bilateral network is equal to the algebraic sum of the currents or voltages produced independently by each source.

- *Select a single source acting alone. Short the other voltage sources and open the current sources, if internal impedances are not known. If known, replace them by their internal impedances.*
- *Find the current through or the voltage across the required element, due to the source under consideration, using a suitable simplification technique.*
- *Repeat the above two steps for all the sources.*
- *Add all the individual effects produced by individual sources, to obtain the total current in or voltage across the element.*



EXAMPLE 18.1 Using the superposition theorem, find the current \mathbf{I} through the $4\ \Omega$ reactance (X_{L2}) in Fig. 18.1.

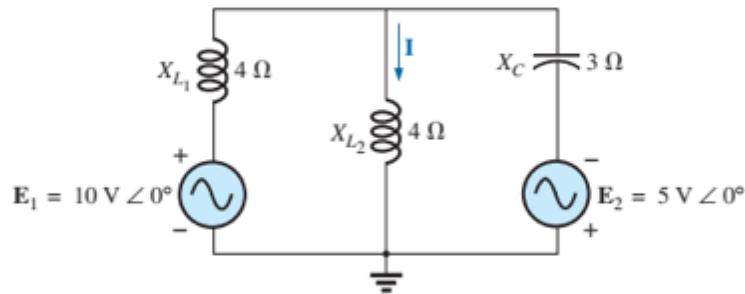


FIG. 18.1
Example 18.1.

Solution: For the redrawn circuit (Fig. 18.2),

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{Z}_1 &= +jX_{L1} = j4\ \Omega \\ \mathbf{Z}_2 &= +jX_{L2} = j4\ \Omega \\ \mathbf{Z}_3 &= -jX_C = -j3\ \Omega \end{aligned}$$

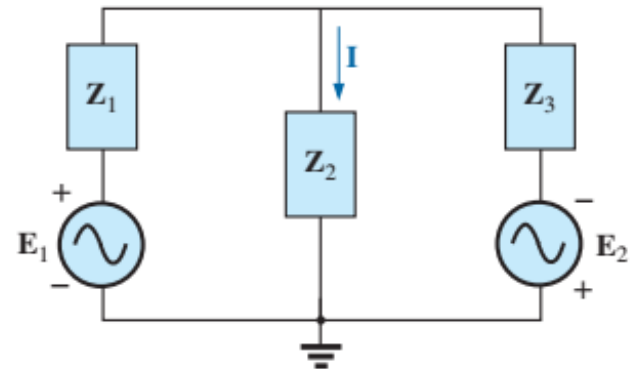


Fig. 18.2

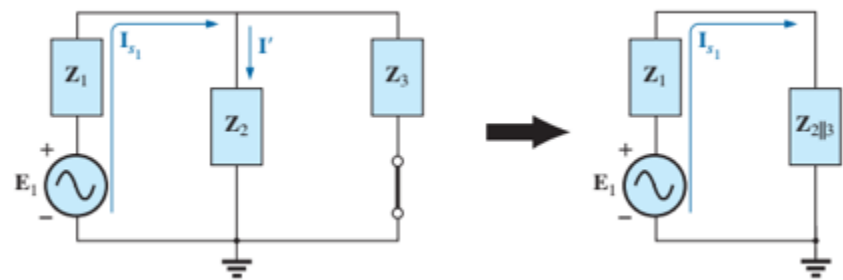


Fig. 18.3

Considering the effects of the voltage source \mathbf{E}_1 (Fig. 18.3), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{Z}_{2||3} &= \frac{\mathbf{Z}_2 \mathbf{Z}_3}{\mathbf{Z}_2 + \mathbf{Z}_3} = \frac{(j4\ \Omega)(-j3\ \Omega)}{j4\ \Omega - j3\ \Omega} = \frac{12\ \Omega}{j} = -j12\ \Omega \\ &= 12\ \Omega \angle -90^\circ \\ \mathbf{I}_{s1} &= \frac{\mathbf{E}_1}{\mathbf{Z}_{2||3} + \mathbf{Z}_1} = \frac{10\ \text{V} \angle 0^\circ}{-j12\ \Omega + j4\ \Omega} = \frac{10\ \text{V} \angle 0^\circ}{8\ \Omega \angle -90^\circ} \\ &= 1.25\ \text{A} \angle 90^\circ \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{I}' &= \frac{\mathbf{Z}_3 \mathbf{I}_{s1}}{\mathbf{Z}_2 + \mathbf{Z}_3} \quad (\text{current divider rule}) \\ &= \frac{(-j3\ \Omega)(j1.25\ \text{A})}{j4\ \Omega - j3\ \Omega} = \frac{3.75\ \text{A}}{j1} = 3.75\ \text{A} \angle -90^\circ \end{aligned}$$

Considering the effects of the voltage source E_2 (Fig. 18.4), we have

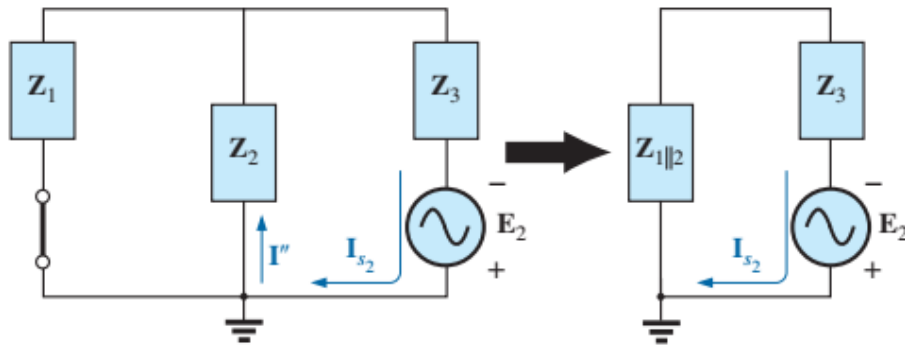


Fig. 18.4

$$Z_{1||2} = \frac{Z_1}{N} = \frac{j 4 \Omega}{2} = j 2 \Omega$$

$$I_{s2} = \frac{E_2}{Z_{1||2} + Z_3} = \frac{5 \text{ V } \angle 0^\circ}{j 2 \Omega - j 3 \Omega} = \frac{5 \text{ V } \angle 0^\circ}{1 \Omega \angle -90^\circ} = 5 \text{ A } \angle 90^\circ$$

and

$$I'' = \frac{I_{s2}}{2} = 2.5 \text{ A } \angle 90^\circ$$

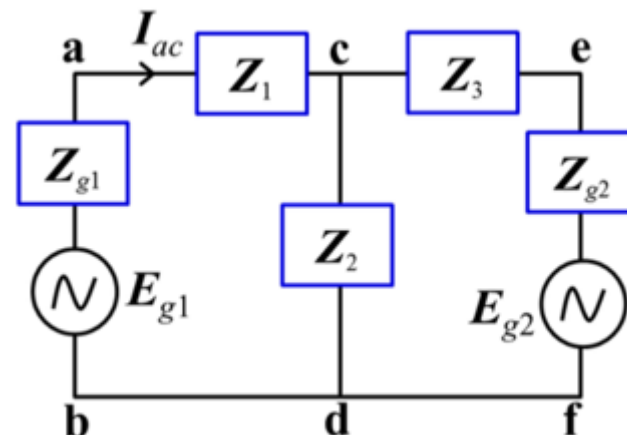
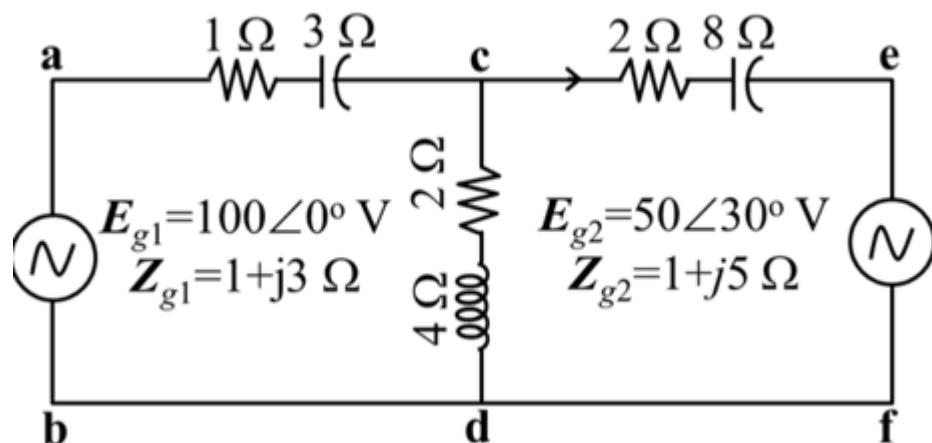
The resultant current through the 4Ω reactance X_{L2} (Fig. 18.5) is

$$\begin{aligned} I &= I' - I'' \\ &= 3.75 \text{ A } \angle -90^\circ - 2.50 \text{ A } \angle 90^\circ = -j 3.75 \text{ A} - j 2.50 \text{ A} \\ &= -j 6.25 \text{ A} \\ I &= 6.25 \text{ A } \angle -90^\circ \end{aligned}$$



Example

Calculate the current (using Superposition Theorem) in branch ac for the following network.



$$Z_1 = 1 - j3 \, \Omega$$

$$Z_2 = 2 + j4 \, \Omega$$

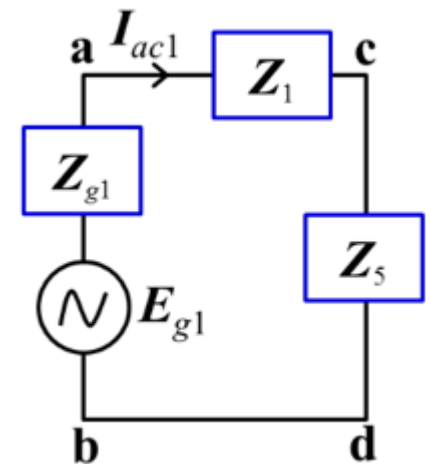
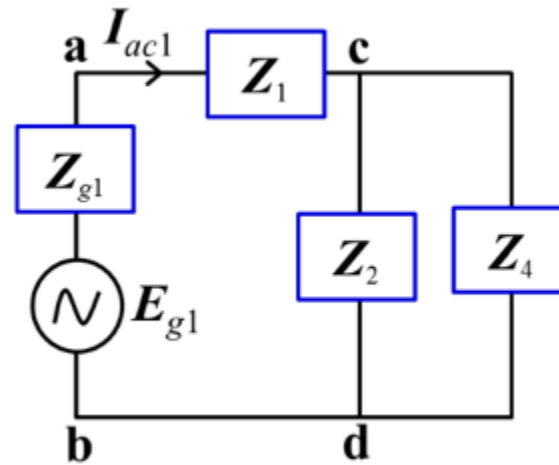
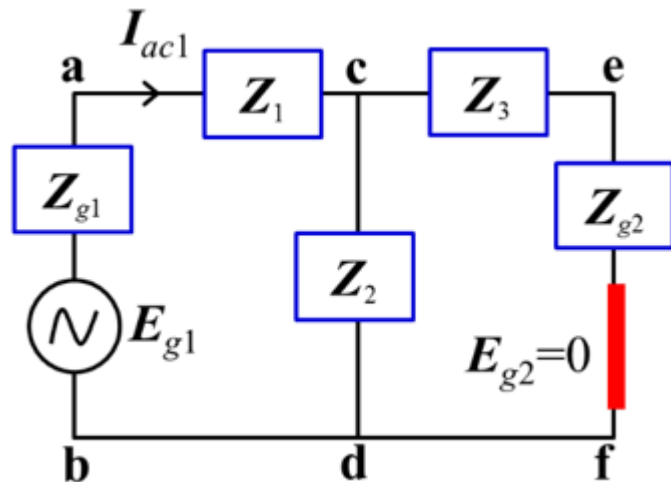
$$Z_3 = 2 - j8 \, \Omega$$

$$Z_{g1} = 1 + j3 \, \Omega$$

$$Z_{g2} = 1 + j5 \, \Omega$$



Consider $E_{g1}=100\angle 0^\circ$ while set $E_{g1}=0$ i.e. short circuit.



$$Z_4 = Z_{g2} + Z_3 = 3 - j3 \, \Omega$$

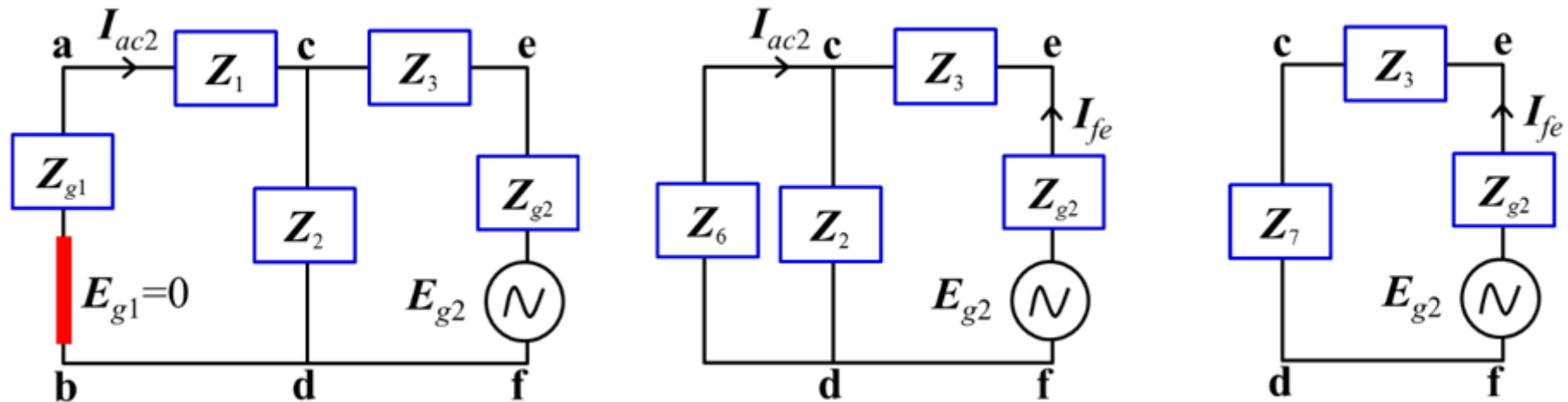
$$Z_5 = \frac{Z_2 Z_4}{Z_2 + Z_4} = 3.7 + j0.46 \, \Omega$$

$$Z_{T1} = Z_{g1} + Z_1 + Z_5 = 5.7 + j0.46 \, \Omega$$

$$I_{ac1} = \frac{E_{g1}}{Z_{T1}} = 17.45 - j1.41 \, \text{A}$$



Consider $E_{g2}=50\angle30^\circ$ while set $E_{g2}=0$ i.e. short circuit.



$$Z_6 = Z_{g1} + Z_1 = 2 \Omega \quad Z_7 = \frac{Z_2 Z_6}{Z_2 + Z_6} = 1.5 + j0.5 \Omega$$

$$Z_{T2} = Z_{g2} + Z_3 + Z_7 = 4.5 - j2.5 \Omega$$

$$I_{fe} = \frac{E_{g2}}{Z_{T2}} = 4.99 + j8.33 \text{ A}$$

$$I_{ac2} = -\frac{Z_2}{Z_2 + Z_6} I_{fe} = -1.66 - j7.5 \text{ A}$$

$$I_{ac} = I_{ac1} + I_{ac2} = 15.79 - j8.91 \text{ A}$$



EXAMPLE 18.2 Using superposition, find the current \mathbf{I} through the $6\ \Omega$ resistor in Fig. 18.6.

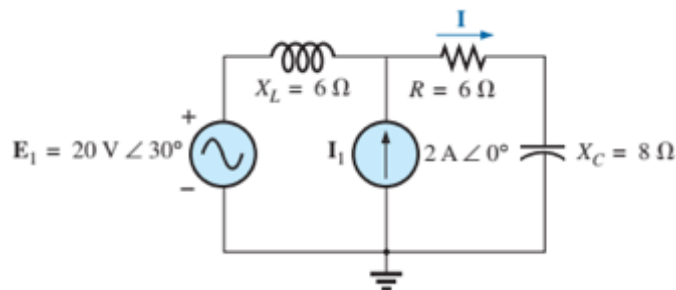


Fig. 18.6

Solution: For the redrawn circuit (Fig. 18.7),

$$\mathbf{Z}_1 = j6\ \Omega \quad \mathbf{Z}_2 = 6\ \Omega - j8\ \Omega$$

Consider the effects of the current source (Fig. 18.8). Applying the current divider rule, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{I}' &= \frac{\mathbf{Z}_1 \mathbf{I}_1}{\mathbf{Z}_1 + \mathbf{Z}_2} = \frac{(j6\ \Omega)(2\ \text{A})}{j6\ \Omega + 6\ \Omega - j8\ \Omega} = \frac{j12\ \text{A}}{6 - j2} \\ &= \frac{12\ \text{A} \angle 90^\circ}{6.32 \angle -18.43^\circ} \\ \mathbf{I}' &= 1.9\ \text{A} \angle 108.43^\circ \end{aligned}$$

Consider the effects of the voltage source (Fig. 18.9). Applying Ohm's law gives us

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{I}'' &= \frac{\mathbf{E}_1}{\mathbf{Z}_T} = \frac{\mathbf{E}_1}{\mathbf{Z}_1 + \mathbf{Z}_2} = \frac{20\ \text{V} \angle 30^\circ}{6.32\ \Omega \angle -18.43^\circ} \\ &= 3.16\ \text{A} \angle 48.43^\circ \end{aligned}$$

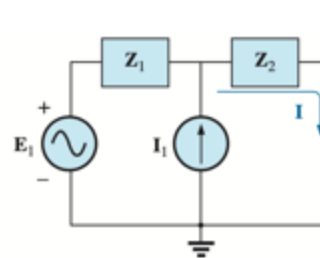


Fig. 18.7

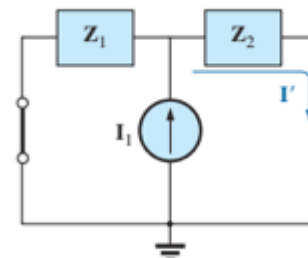


Fig. 18.8

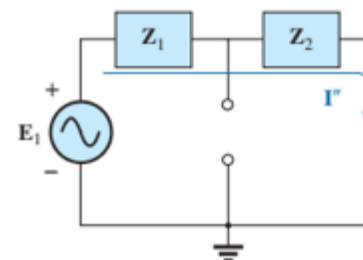


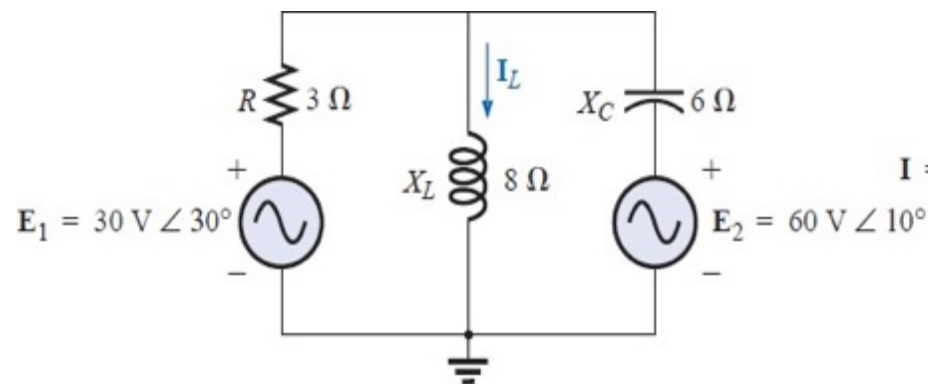
Fig. 18.9

The total current through the $6\ \Omega$ resistor (Fig. 18.10) is

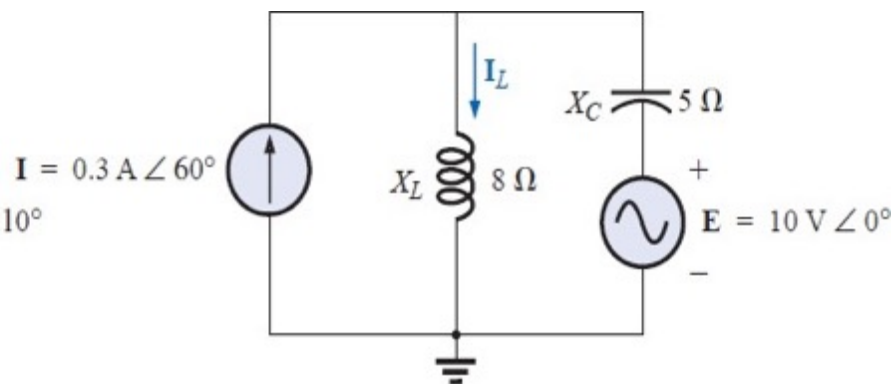
$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{I} &= \mathbf{I}' + \mathbf{I}'' \\ &= 1.9\ \text{A} \angle 108.43^\circ + 3.16\ \text{A} \angle 48.43^\circ \\ &= (-0.60\ \text{A} + j1.80\ \text{A}) + (2.10\ \text{A} + j2.36\ \text{A}) \\ &= 1.50\ \text{A} + j4.16\ \text{A} \\ \mathbf{I} &= 4.42\ \text{A} \angle 70.2^\circ \end{aligned}$$



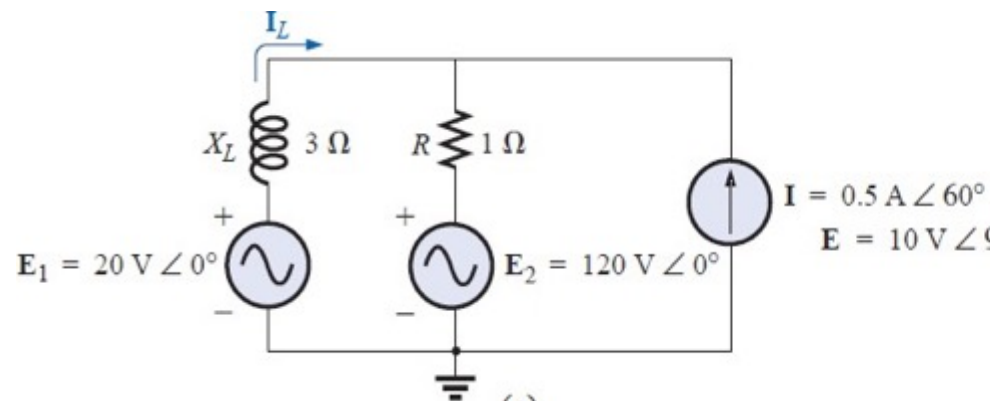
Problem: Using superposition, determine the current I_L for each network as shown in the following figure.



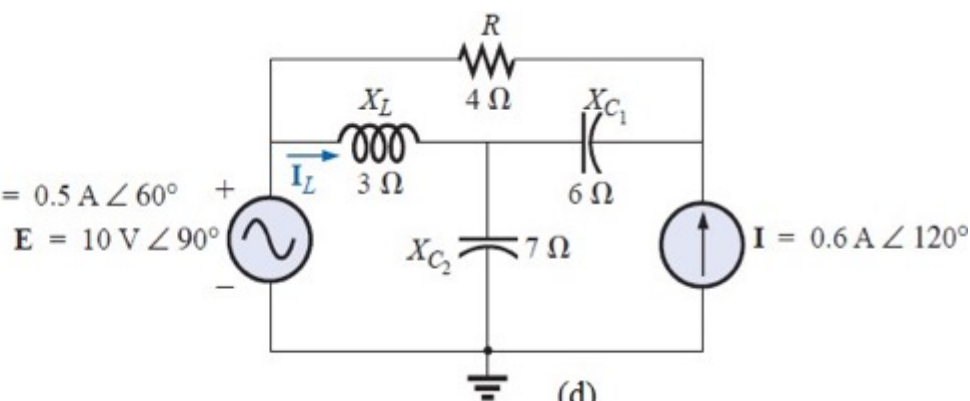
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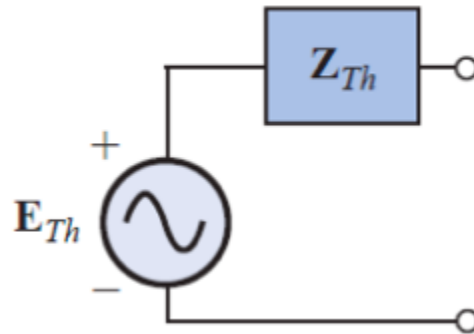
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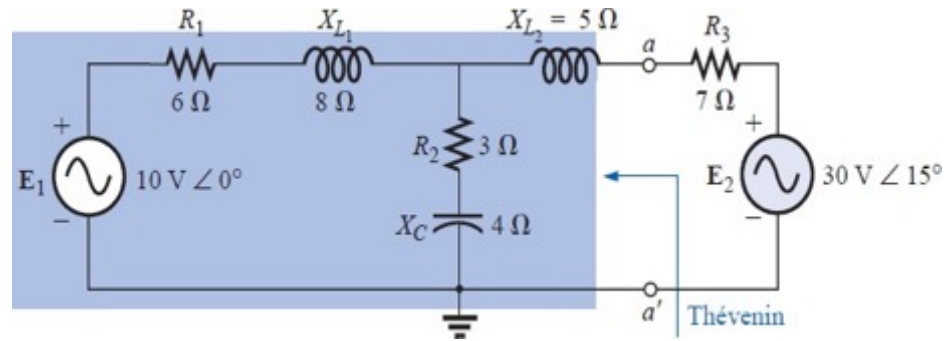


Thevenin's Theorem

Thévenin's theorem states the following:

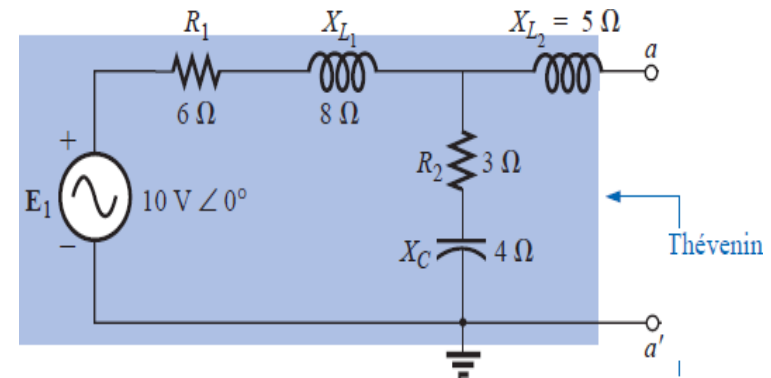
Any two-terminal, linear bilateral network can be replaced by an equivalent circuit consisting of a voltage source and a series impedance, as shown in the following figure.



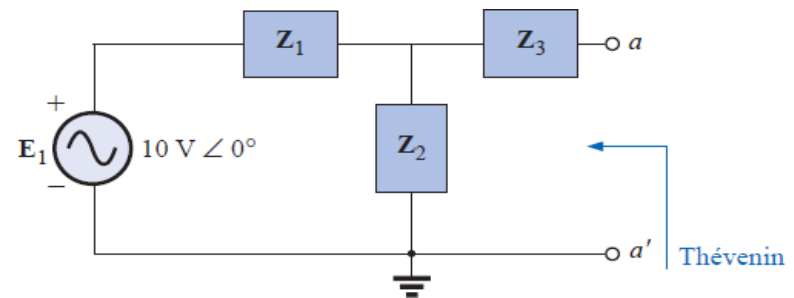


Calculate the Thevenin's Impedance (Z_{th}):

Step 1: Remove that portion of the network across which the Thévenin equivalent circuit is to be found.



Step 2: Mark the terminals of the remaining two-terminal network.

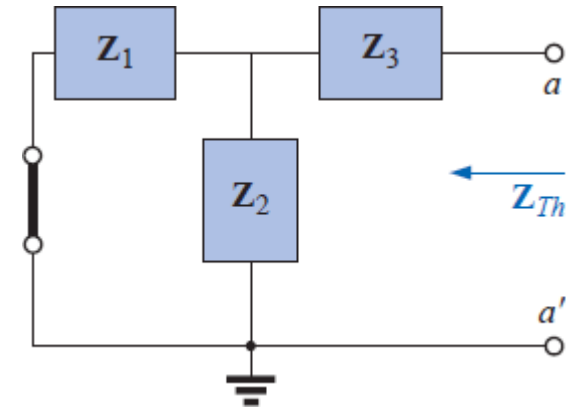


$$Z_1 = R_1 + jX_{L1} = 6 + j8 \, \Omega = 10 \angle 53.13^\circ \, \Omega$$

$$Z_2 = R_2 - jX_C = 3 - j4 \, \Omega = 5 \angle -53.13^\circ \, \Omega$$

$$Z_3 = jX_{L2} = j5 \, \Omega = 5 \angle 90^\circ \, \Omega$$

Step 3: Set all sources to zero (**voltage sources are replaced by short circuits**, and **current sources by open circuits**). If the internal impedance of the voltage and/or current sources is included in the original network, it must remain when the sources are set to zero.



Step 4: Find the impedance between the two marked terminals.

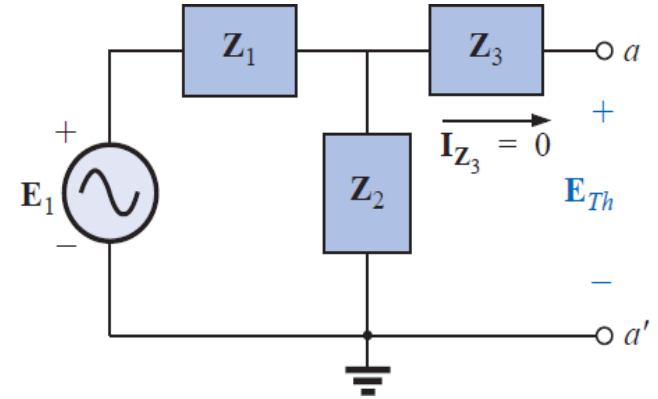
$$\begin{aligned} Z_{Th} &= Z_3 + \frac{Z_1 Z_2}{Z_1 + Z_2} = j5 + \frac{(6 + j8)(3 - j4)}{6 + j8 + 3 - j4} \\ &= 4.64 + j2.94 \, \Omega = 5.49 \angle 32.36^\circ \end{aligned}$$



Calculate the Thevenin's Voltage (E_{th}):

Step 1: Remove that portion of the network across which the Thévenin equivalent circuit is to be found.

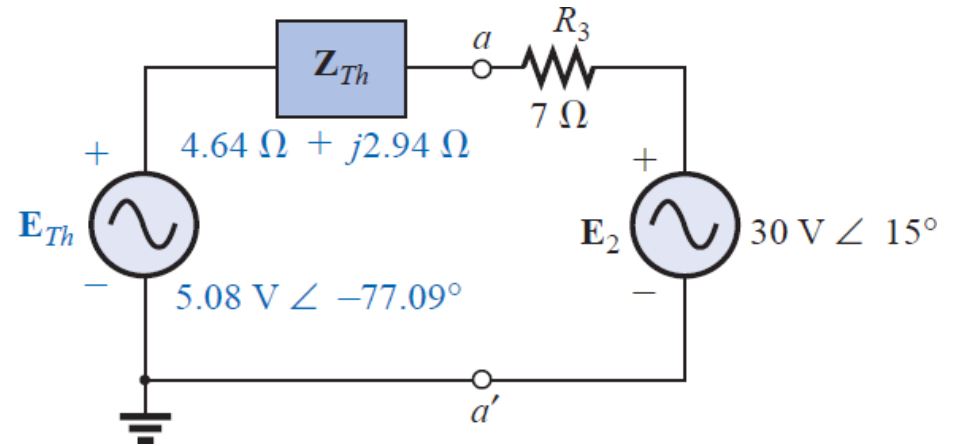
Step 2: Calculate the voltage drop across terminals of the remaining two-terminal network.



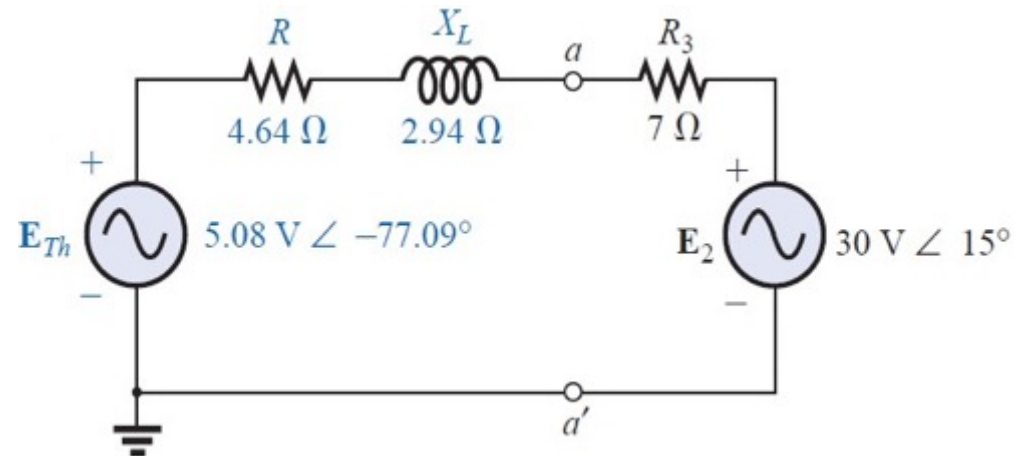
Since $a-a'$ is an open circuit, $I_{Z3} = 0$. Then E_{Th} is the voltage drop across Z_2 :

$$\begin{aligned} E_{Th} &= \frac{Z_2 E}{Z_1 + Z_2} (\text{VDR}) = \frac{(3-j4)(10+j0)}{6+j8+3-j4} \\ &= 5.08 \angle -77.09^\circ \end{aligned}$$



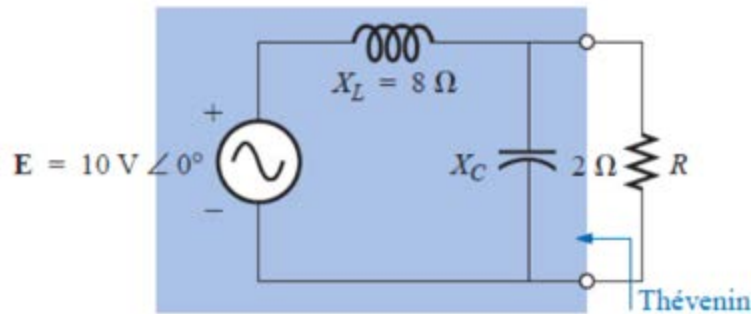


Finally draw the Thevenin's equivalent circuit by connecting the removed part.



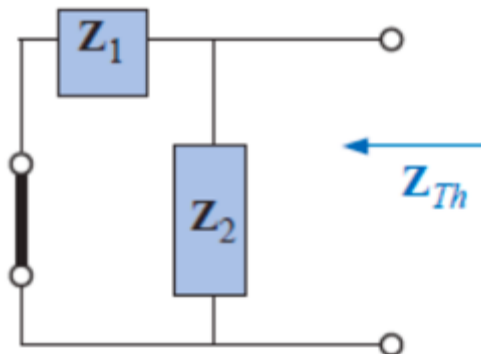
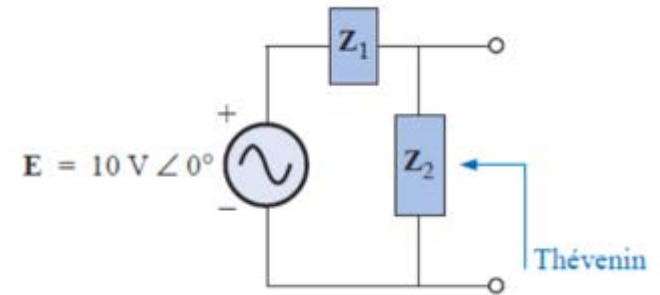
Example

Determine the Thevenin equivalent circuit for the network external to the R resistor of following figure.

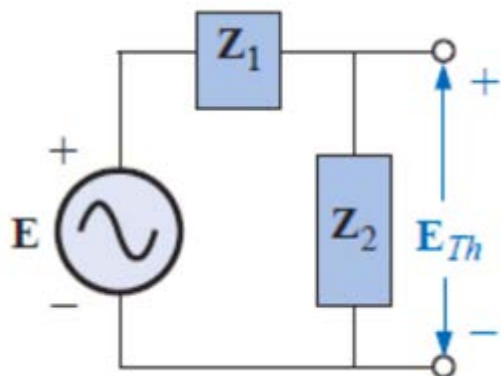


$$Z_1 = j8 \Omega$$

$$Z_2 = -j2 \Omega$$

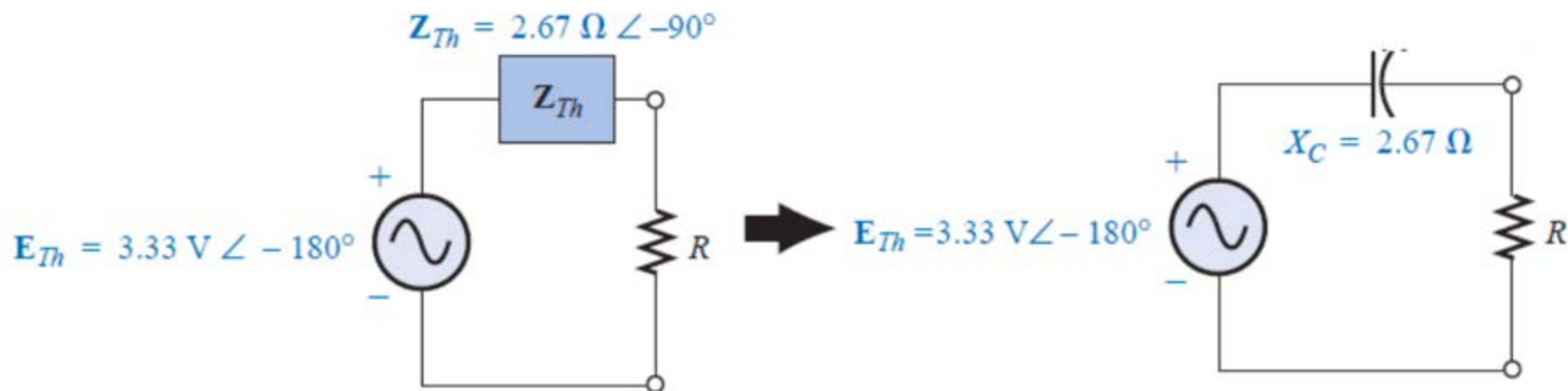


$$Z_{Th} = \frac{Z_1 Z_2}{Z_1 + Z_2} = 2.67 \angle -90^\circ$$

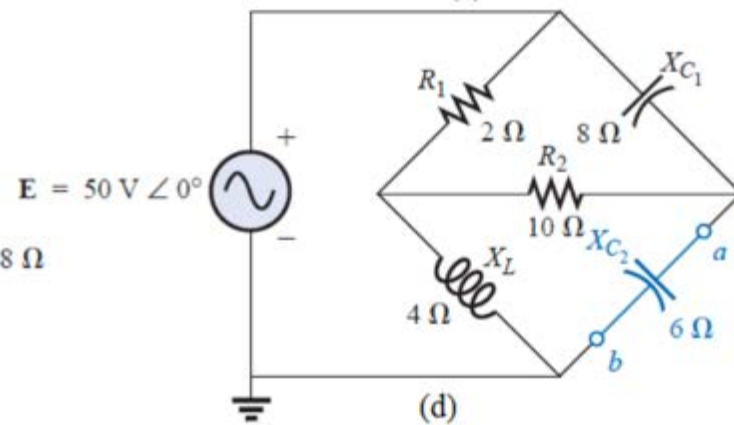
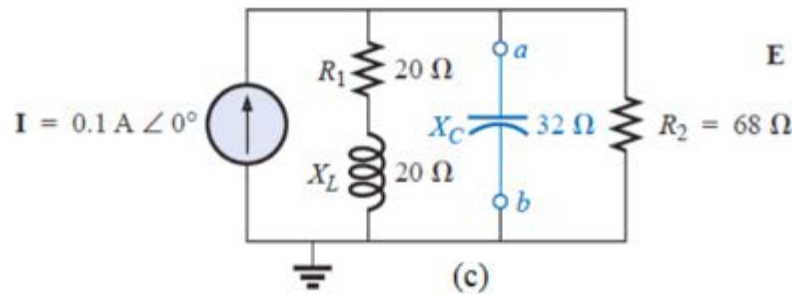
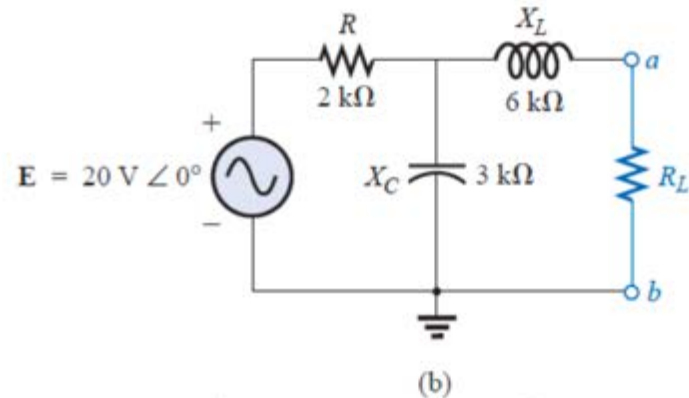
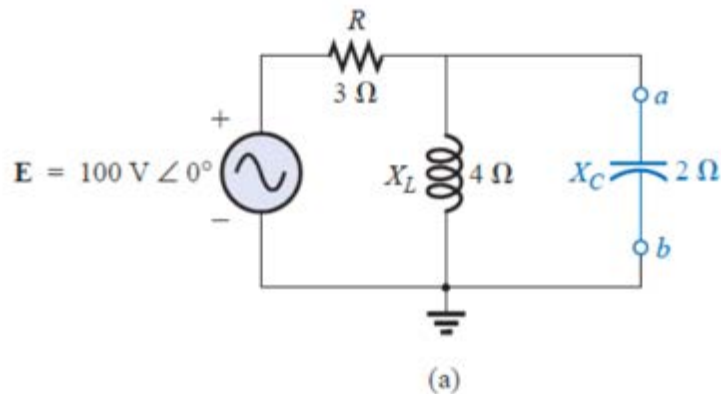


$$E_{Th} = \frac{Z_2 E}{Z_1 + Z_2} (\text{VDR}) = 3.33 \angle -180^\circ$$

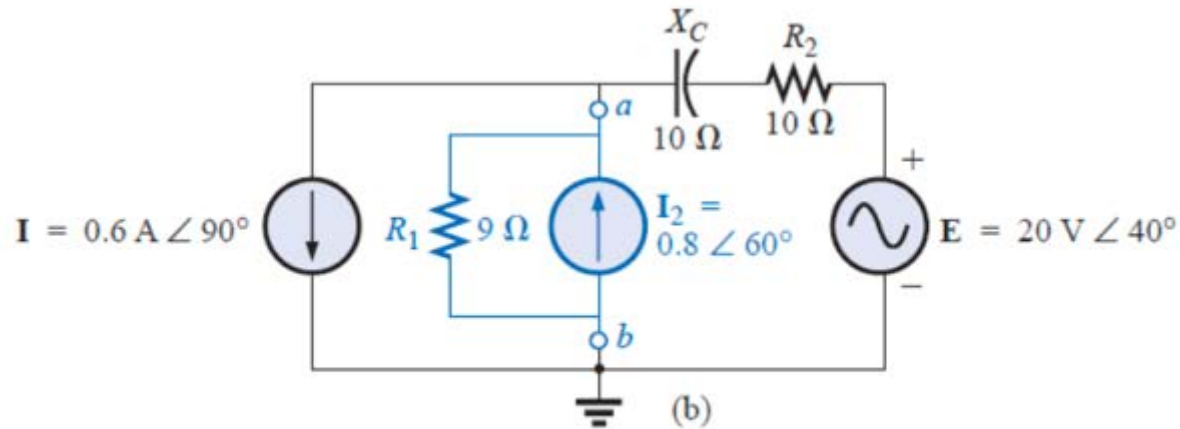
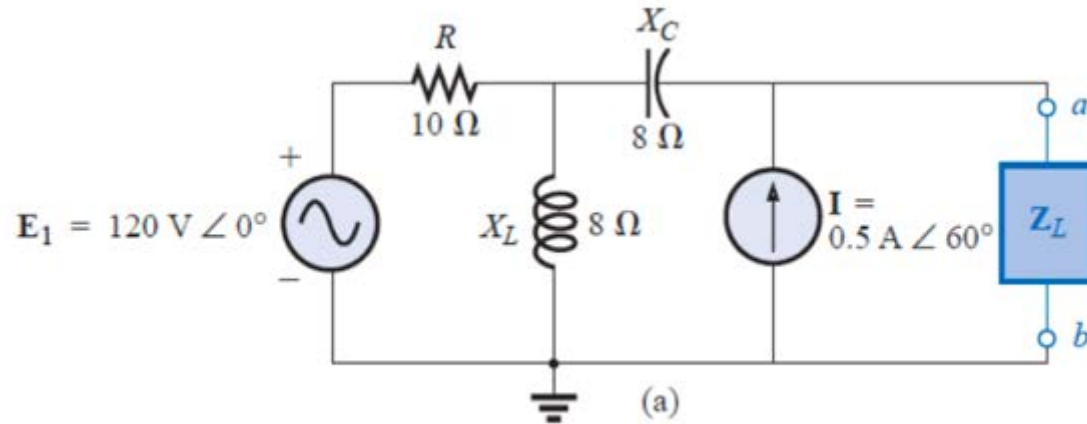
Thevenin equivalent circuit shown in the following figure.



Problem 1: Find the Thévenin equivalent circuit for the portions of the networks of following figures external to the elements between points a and b.



Problem 2: Find the Thévenin equivalent circuit for the portions of the networks of following figures external to the elements between points a and b.



Thank You

