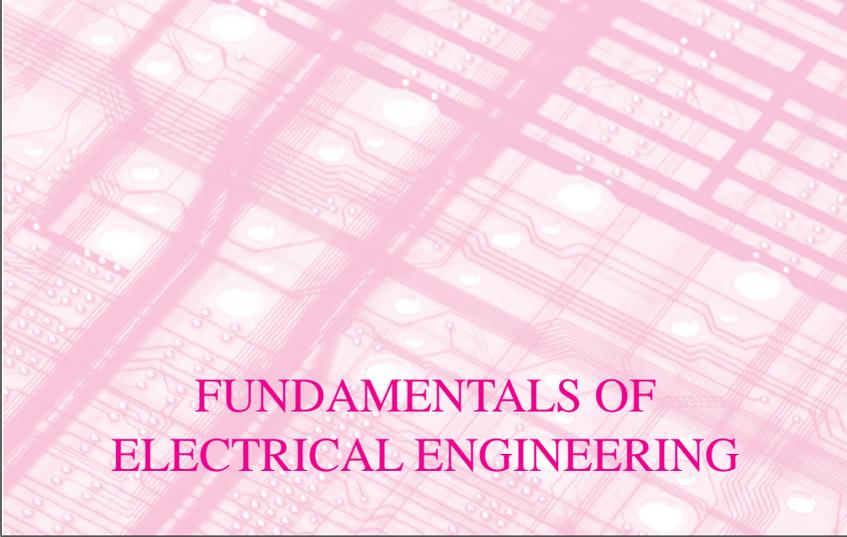


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# Preface

The pervasive presence of electronic devices and instrumentation in all aspects of engineering design and analysis is one of the manifestations of the electronic revolution that has characterized the second half of the 20th century. Every aspect of engineering practice, and even of everyday life, has been affected in some way or another by electrical and electronic devices and instruments. Computers are perhaps the most obvious manifestations of this presence. However, many other areas of electrical engineering are also important to the practicing engineer, from mechanical and industrial engineering, to chemical, nuclear, and materials engineering, to the aerospace and astronautical disciplines, to civil and the emerging field of biomedical engineering. Engineers today must be able to communicate effectively within the interdisciplinary teams in which they work.

## OBJECTIVES

Engineering education and engineering professional practice have seen some rather profound changes in the past decade. The integration of electronics and computer technologies in all engineering academic disciplines and the emergence of digital electronics and microcomputers as a central element of many engineering products and processes have become a common theme since the conception of this book.

The principal objective of the book is to present the *principles* of electrical, electronic, and electromechanical engineering to an audience composed of non-electrical engineering majors, and ranging from sophomore students in their first required introductory electrical engineering course, to seniors, to first-year graduate students enrolled in more specialized courses in electronics, electromechanics, and mechatronics.

A second objective is to present these principles by focusing on the important results and applications and presenting the students with the most appropriate *analytical and computational tools* to solve a variety of practical problems.

Finally, a third objective of the book is to illustrate, by way of concrete, fully worked examples, a number of relevant *applications* of electrical engineering principles. These examples are drawn from the author's industrial research experience and from ideas contributed by practicing engineers and industrial partners.

## ORGANIZATION AND CONTENT

The book is divided into three parts, devoted to *circuits, electronics, and electromechanics*.

### Part I: Circuits

The first part of this book presents a basic introduction to circuit analysis (Chapters 2 through 7). The material includes over 440 homework problems.

### Part: II Electronics

Part II, on electronics (Chapters 8 through 12), contains a chapter on operational amplifiers, one on diodes, two chapters on transistors—one each on BJTs and FETs, and one on digital logic circuits. The material contained in this section is focused on basic applications of these concepts. The chapters include 320 homework problems.

### Part III: Electromechanics

Part III, on electromechanics (Chapters 13 and 14), includes basic material on electromechanical transducers and the basic operation of DC and AC machines. The two chapters include 126 homework problems.

## FEATURES

### Pedagogy

This edition contains the following pedagogical features.

- **Learning Objectives** offer an overview of key chapter ideas. Each chapter opens with a list of major objectives, and throughout the chapter the learning objective icon indicates targeted references to each objective.
- **Focus on Methodology** sections summarize important methods and procedures for the solution of common problems and assist the student in developing a methodical approach to problem solving.
- **Clearly Illustrated Examples** illustrate relevant applications of electrical engineering principles. The examples are fully integrated with the “Focus on Methodology” material, and each one is organized according to a prescribed set of logical steps.
- **Check Your Understanding** exercises follow each example in the text and allow students to confirm their mastery of concepts.
- **Make the Connection** sidebars present analogies to students to help them see the connection of electrical engineering concepts to other engineering disciplines.
- **Find It on the Web** links included throughout the book give students the opportunity to further explore practical engineering applications of the devices and systems that are described in the text.

### Supplements

The book includes a wealth of supplements available in electronic form. These include

- A **website** accompanies this text to provide students and instructors with additional resources for teaching and learning. You can find this site at [www.mhhe.com/rizzoni](http://www.mhhe.com/rizzoni). Resources on this site include

#### For Students:

- **Device Data Sheets**
- **Learning Objectives**

#### For Instructors:

- **PowerPoint presentation slides** of important figures from the text
- **Instructor’s Solutions Manual** with complete solutions (for instructors only)

#### For Instructors and Students:

- **Find It on the Web links**, which give students the opportunity to explore, in greater depth, practical engineering applications of the devices and systems that are described in the text. In addition, several links to tutorial sites extend the boundaries of the text to recent research developments, late-breaking science and technology news, learning resources, and study guides to help you in your studies and research.



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Book prefaces have a way of marking the passage of time. When the first edition of *Principles and Applications of Electrical Engineering* was published, the birth of our first child, Alex, was nearing. Each of the following two editions was similarly accompanied by the births of Maria and Michael. Now that we have successfully reached the fifth edition of *Principles and Applications* and the new first edition of this book (but only the third child) I am observing that Alex is beginning to understand some of the principles exposed in this book through his passion for the FIRST Lego League and the Lego Mindstorms robots. Through the years, our family continues to be the center of my life, and I am grateful to Kathryn, Alessandro, Maria, and Michael for all their love.

**Learning Objectives** offer an overview of key chapter ideas. Each chapter opens with a list of major objectives and throughout the chapter. The learning objective icon indicates targeted references to each objective.

## Learning Objectives

1. Compute the solution of circuits containing linear resistors and independent and dependent sources by using *node analysis*. Sections 3.2 and 3.4.
2. Compute the solution of circuits containing linear resistors and independent and dependent sources by using *mesh analysis*. Sections 3.3 and 3.4.
3. Apply the *principle of superposition* to linear circuits containing independent sources. Section 3.5.
4. Compute *Thévenin and Norton equivalent circuits* for networks containing linear resistors and independent and dependent sources. Section 3.6.
5. Use equivalent-circuit ideas to compute the *maximum power transfer* between a source and a load. Section 3.7.
6. Use the concept of equivalent circuit to determine voltage, current, and power for nonlinear loads by using *load-line analysis* and analytical methods. Section 3.8.

## 3.1 Network Analysis

The analysis of an electric network consists of determining each of the unknown branch currents and node voltages. It is therefore important to define all the relevant variables as clearly as possible, and in systematic fashion. Once the known and unknown variables have been identified, a set of equations relating these variables is constructed, and these equations are solved by means of suitable techniques. The analysis of electric circuits consists of writing the smallest set of equations sufficient to solve for all the unknown variables. The procedures required to write these equations are the subject of Chapter 3 and are very well documented and codified in the form of simple rules. The analysis of electric circuits is greatly simplified if some standard conventions are followed.

Example 3.1 defines all the voltages and currents that are associated with a

### FOCUS ON METHODOLOGY

#### COMPUTING THE THÉVENIN VOLTAGE

1. Remove the load, leaving the load terminals open-circuited.
2. Define the open-circuit voltage  $v_{OC}$  across the open load terminals.
3. Apply any preferred method (e.g., node analysis) to solve for  $v_{OC}$ .
4. The Thévenin voltage is  $v_T = v_{OC}$ .

The actual computation of the open-circuit voltage is best illustrated by examples; there is no substitute for practice in becoming familiar with these computations. To summarize the main points in the computation of open-circuit voltages, consider the circuit of Figure 3.36, shown again in Figure 3.44 for convenience. Recall that the equivalent resistance of this circuit was given by  $R_T = R_3 + R_1 \parallel R_2$ . To compute  $v_{OC}$ , we disconnect the load, as shown in Figure 3.45, and immediately observe that no current flows through  $R_3$ , since there is no closed-circuit connection at that branch. Therefore,  $v_{OC}$  must be equal to the voltage across  $R_2$ , as illustrated in Figure 3.45. Since the only closed circuit is the mesh consisting of  $v_S$ ,  $R_1$ , and  $R_2$ , the answer we are seeking may be obtained by means of a simple voltage divider:

$$v_{OC} = v_{R2} = v_S \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2}$$

It is instructive to review the basic concepts outlined in the example by considering the original circuit and its Thévenin equivalent side by side, as shown in Figure 3.47. The two circuits of Figure 3.47 are equivalent in the sense that the

**Focus on Methodology** section summarizes important methods and procedures for the solution of common problems and assists the student in developing a methodical approach to problem solving.

### EXAMPLE 3.8 Mesh Analysis

#### Problem

Write the mesh current equations for the circuit of Figure 3.19.

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Source voltages; resistor values.

**Find:** Mesh current equations.

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $V_1 = 12\text{ V}$ ;  $V_2 = 6\text{ V}$ ;  $R_1 = 3\ \Omega$ ;  $R_2 = 8\ \Omega$ ;  $R_3 = 6\ \Omega$ ;  $R_4 = 4\ \Omega$ .

**Analysis:** We follow the Focus on Methodology steps.

1. Assume clockwise mesh currents  $i_1$ ,  $i_2$ , and  $i_3$ .
2. We recognize three independent variables, since there are no current sources. Starting from mesh 1, we apply KVL to obtain

$$V_1 - R_1(i_1 - i_3) - R_2(i_1 - i_2) = 0$$

KVL applied to mesh 2 yields

$$-R_2(i_2 - i_1) - R_3(i_2 - i_3) + V_2 = 0$$

while in mesh 3 we find

$$-R_1(i_3 - i_1) - R_4 i_3 - R_3(i_3 - i_2) = 0$$

LO2

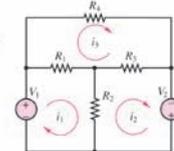


Figure 3.19

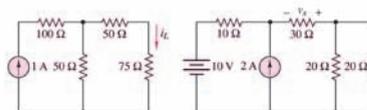
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**Check Your Understanding** exercises follow each example in the text and allow students to confirm their mastery of concepts.

**Make the Connection** sidebars present analogies to students to help them see the connection of electrical engineering concepts to other engineering disciplines.

### CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Find the current  $i_L$  in the circuit shown on the left, using the node voltage method.



Find the voltage  $v_L$  by the node voltage method for the circuit shown on the right. Show that the answer to Example 3.3 is correct by applying KCL at one or more nodes.

Answers: 0.2857 A;  $-18\text{ V}$

equations obtained at nodes  $a$  and  $b$  (verify this, as an exercise). This observation confirms the statement made earlier:

LO1

In a circuit containing  $n$  nodes, we can write at most  $n - 1$  independent equations.

Now, in applying the node voltage method, the currents  $i_1$ ,  $i_2$ , and  $i_3$  are expressed as functions of  $v_a$ ,  $v_b$ , and  $v_c$ , the independent variables. Ohm's law requires that  $i_1$ , for example, be given by

$$i_1 = \frac{v_a - v_c}{R_1} \quad (3.5)$$

since it is the potential difference  $v_a - v_c$  across  $R_1$  that causes current  $i_1$  to flow from node  $a$  to node  $c$ . Similarly,

$$i_2 = \frac{v_a - v_b}{R_2} \quad (3.6)$$

$$i_3 = \frac{v_b - v_c}{R_3}$$

Substituting the expression for the three currents in the nodal equations (equations 3.2 and 3.3), we obtain the following relationships:

$$i_2 - \frac{v_a - v_b}{R_1} - \frac{v_a - v_b}{R_2} = 0 \quad (3.7)$$

$$\frac{v_a - v_b}{R_2} - \frac{v_b}{R_3} = 0 \quad (3.8)$$

Equations 3.7 and 3.8 may be obtained directly from the circuit, with a little practice. Note that these equations may be solved for  $v_a$  and  $v_b$ , assuming that  $i_3$ ,  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ , and  $R_3$  are known. The same equations may be reformulated as follows:

$$\left(\frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2}\right)v_a + \left(-\frac{1}{R_2}\right)v_b = i_3 \quad (3.9)$$

$$\left(-\frac{1}{R_2}\right)v_a + \left(\frac{1}{R_2} + \frac{1}{R_3}\right)v_b = 0$$

Examples 3.2 through 3.4 further illustrate the application of the method.

LO1

### EXAMPLE 3.2 Node Analysis

#### Problem

Solve for all unknown currents and voltages in the circuit of Figure 3.5.

### MAKE THE CONNECTION

#### Thermal Circuit Model

The conduction resistance of the shaft is described by the following equation:

$$q = \frac{kA_1}{L} \Delta T$$

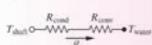
$$R_{\text{cond}} = \frac{\Delta T}{q} = \frac{L}{kA_1}$$

where  $A_1$  is a cross-sectional area and  $L$  is the distance from the inner core to the surface. The convection resistance is described by a similar equation, in which convective heat flow is described by the film coefficient of heat transfer,  $h$ :

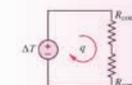
$$q = hA_2 \Delta T$$

$$R_{\text{conv}} = \frac{\Delta T}{q} = \frac{1}{hA_2}$$

where  $A_2$  is the surface area of the shaft in contact with the water. The equivalent thermal resistance and the overall circuit model of the crankshaft quenching process are shown in the figures below.



Thermal resistance representation of quenching process



# C H A P T E R

# 1

## INTRODUCTION TO ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING

**T**he aim of this chapter is to introduce electrical engineering. The chapter is organized to provide the newcomer with a view of the different specialties making up electrical engineering and to place the intent and organization of the book into perspective. Perhaps the first question that surfaces in the mind of the student approaching the subject is, Why electrical engineering? Since this book is directed at a readership having a mix of engineering backgrounds (including electrical engineering), the question is well justified and deserves some discussion. The chapter begins by defining the various branches of electrical engineering, showing some of the interactions among them, and illustrating by means of a practical example how electrical engineering is intimately connected to many other engineering disciplines. Section 1.2 introduces the Engineer-in-Training (EIT) national examination. In Section 1.3 the fundamental physical quantities and the system of units are defined, to set the stage for the chapters that follow. Finally, in Section 1.4 the organization of the book is discussed, to give the student, as well as the teacher, a sense of continuity in the development of the different subjects covered in Chapters 2 through 14.

**Table 1.1** Electrical engineering disciplines

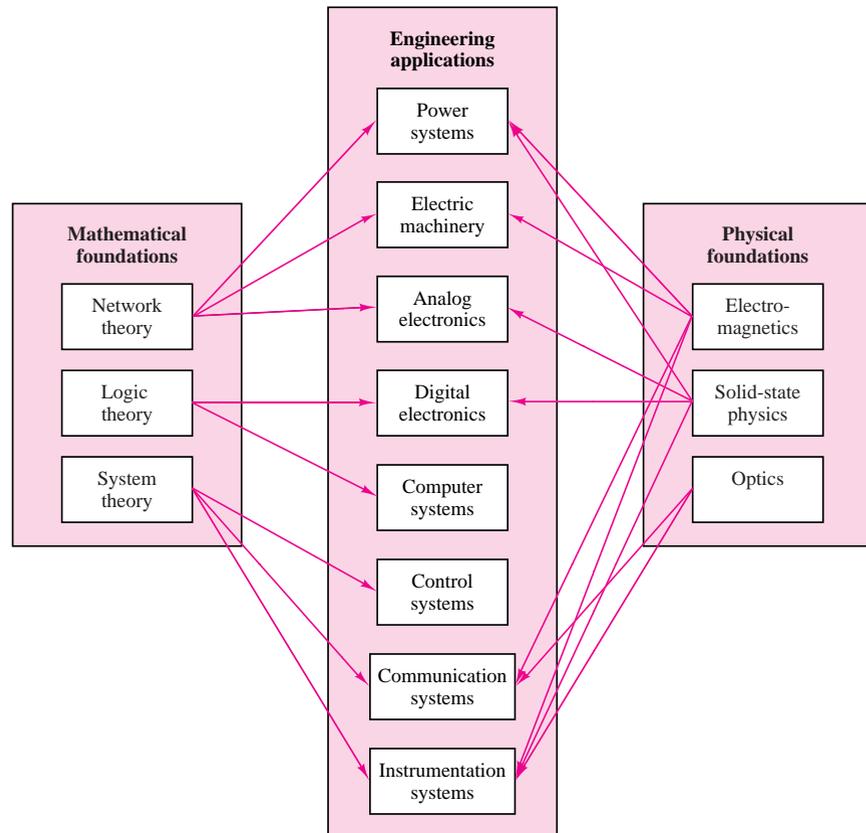
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Solid-state electronics
Electric machines
Electric power systems
Digital logic circuits
Computer systems
Communication systems
Electro-optics
Instrumentation systems
Control systems

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## 1.1 ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING

The typical curriculum of an undergraduate electrical engineering student includes the subjects listed in Table 1.1. Although the distinction between some of these subjects is not always clear-cut, the table is sufficiently representative to serve our purposes. Figure 1.1 illustrates a possible interconnection between the disciplines of Table 1.1. The aim of this book is to introduce the non-electrical engineering student to those aspects of electrical engineering that are likely to be most relevant to his or her professional career. Virtually all the topics of Table 1.1 will be touched on in the book, with varying degrees of emphasis. Example 1.1 illustrates the pervasive presence of electrical, electronic, and electromechanical devices and systems in a very common application: the automobile. As you read through the examples, it will be instructive to refer to Figure 1.1 and Table 1.1.

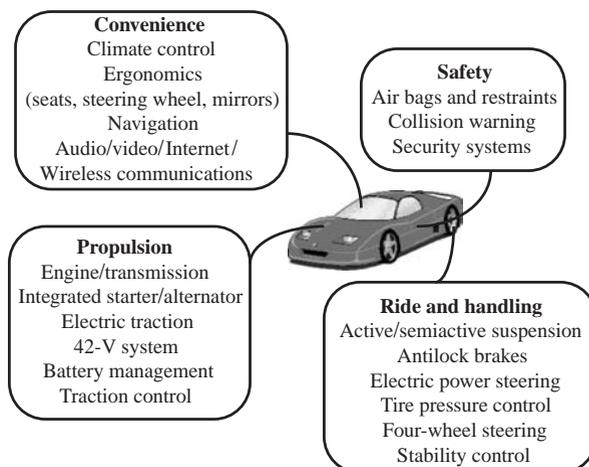
**Figure 1.1** Electrical engineering disciplines

### EXAMPLE 1.1 Electrical Systems in a Passenger Automobile

A familiar example illustrates how the seemingly disparate specialties of electrical engineering actually interact to permit the operation of a very familiar engineering system: the automobile. Figure 1.2 presents a view of electrical engineering systems in a modern automobile. Even in older vehicles, the electrical system—in effect, an *electric circuit*—plays a very important part in the overall operation. (Chapters 2 and 3 describe the basics of electric circuits.) An inductor coil generates a sufficiently high voltage to allow a spark to form across the spark plug gap and to ignite the air-fuel mixture; the coil is supplied by a DC voltage provided by a lead-acid battery. (Ignition circuits are studied in some detail in Chapter 5.) In addition to providing the energy for the ignition circuits, the battery supplies power to many other electrical components, the most obvious of which are the lights, the windshield wipers, and the radio. Electric power (Chapter 7) is carried from the battery to all these components by means of a wire harness, which constitutes a rather elaborate electric circuit (see Figure 2.12 for a closer look). In recent years, the conventional electric ignition system has been supplanted by *electronic* ignition; that is, solid-state electronic devices called *transistors* have replaced the traditional breaker points. The advantage of transistorized ignition systems over the conventional mechanical ones is their greater reliability, ease of control, and life span (mechanical breaker points are subject to wear). You will study transistors and other electronic devices in Chapters 8, 9, and 10.

Other electrical engineering disciplines are fairly obvious in the automobile. The on-board radio receives electromagnetic waves by means of the antenna, and decodes the communication signals to reproduce sounds and speech of remote origin; other common *communication systems* that exploit *electromagnetics* are CB radios and the ever more common cellular phones. But this is not all! The battery is, in effect, a self-contained 12-VDC *electric power system*, providing the energy for all the aforementioned functions. In order for the battery to have a useful lifetime, a charging system, composed of an alternator and of power electronic devices, is present in every automobile. Electric power systems are covered in Chapter 7 and power electronic devices in Chapter 10. The alternator is an *electric machine*, as are the motors that drive the power mirrors, power windows, power seats, and other convenience features found in luxury cars. Incidentally, the loudspeakers are also electric machines! All these devices are described in Chapters 13 and 14.

The list does not end here, though. In fact, some of the more interesting applications of electrical engineering to the automobile have not been discussed yet. Consider *computer systems*. Digital circuits are covered in Chapter 12. You are certainly aware that in the last two



**Figure 1.2** Electrical engineering systems in the automobile

decades, environmental concerns related to exhaust emissions from automobiles have led to the introduction of sophisticated engine emission *control systems*. The heart of such control systems is a type of computer called a *microprocessor*. The microprocessor receives signals from devices (called *sensors*) that measure relevant variables—such as the engine speed, the concentration of oxygen in the exhaust gases, the position of the throttle valve (i.e., the driver’s demand for engine power), and the amount of air aspirated by the engine—and subsequently computes the optimal amount of fuel and the correct timing of the spark to result in the cleanest combustion possible under the circumstances. As the presence of computers on board becomes more pervasive—in areas such as antilock braking, electronically controlled suspensions, four-wheel steering systems, and electronic cruise control—communications among the various on-board computers will have to occur at faster and faster rates. Someday in the not-so-distant future, these communications may occur over a fiber-optic network, and *electro-optics* will replace the conventional wire harness. Note that electro-optics is already present in some of the more advanced displays that are part of an automotive instrumentation system.

Finally, today’s vehicles also benefit from the significant advances made in *communication systems*. Vehicle navigation systems can include *Global Positioning System*, or GPS, technology, as well as a variety of communications and networking technologies, such as wireless interfaces (e.g., based on the “Bluetooth” standard) and satellite radio and driver assistance systems, such as the GM “OnStar” system.

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## 1.2 FUNDAMENTALS OF ENGINEERING EXAM REVIEW

To become a professional engineer it is necessary to satisfy four requirements. The first is the completion of a B.S. degree in engineering from an accredited college or university (although it is theoretically possible to be registered without having completed a degree). The second is the successful completion of the *Fundamentals of Engineering (FE) Examination*. This is an eight-hour exam that covers general undergraduate engineering education. The third requirement is two to four years of engineering experience after passing the FE exam. Finally, the fourth requirement is successful completion of the *Principles and Practice of Engineering or Professional Engineer (PE) Examination*.



The FE exam is a two-part national examination, administered by the **National Council of Examiners for Engineers and Surveyors** (NCEES) and given twice a year (in April and October). The exam is divided into two four-hour sessions, consisting of 120 questions in the four-hour morning session, and 60 questions in the four-hour afternoon session. The morning session covers general background in 12 different areas, one of which is *Electricity and Magnetism*. The afternoon session requires the examinee to choose among seven modules—Chemical, Civil, Electrical, Environmental, Industrial, Mechanical, and Other/General engineering.

One of the aims of this book is to assist you in preparing for the *Electricity and Magnetism* part of the morning session. This part of the examination consists of approximately 9 percent of the morning session, and covers the following topics:

- A. Charge, energy, current, voltage, power.
- B. Work done in moving a charge in an electric field (relationship between voltage and work).
- C. Force between charges.
- D. Current and voltage laws (Kirchhoff, Ohm).
- E. Equivalent circuits (series, parallel).

- F. Capacitance and inductance.
- G. Reactance and impedance, susceptance and admittance.
- H. AC circuits.
- I. Basic complex algebra.

Appendix C (available online) contains review of the electrical circuits portion of the FE examination, including references to the relevant material in the book. In addition, Appendix C also contains a collection of sample problems—some including a full explanation of the solution, some with answers supplied separately. This material has been derived from the author’s experience in co-teaching the FE exam preparation course offered to Ohio State University seniors.

### 1.3 SYSTEM OF UNITS

This book employs the International System of Units (also called SI, from the French *Système International des Unités*). SI units are commonly adhered to by virtually all engineering professional societies. This section summarizes SI units and will serve as a useful reference in reading the book.

SI units are based on six fundamental quantities, listed in Table 1.2. All other units may be derived in terms of the fundamental units of Table 1.2. Since, in practice, one often needs to describe quantities that occur in large multiples or small fractions of a unit, standard prefixes are used to denote powers of 10 of SI (and derived) units. These prefixes are listed in Table 1.3. Note that, in general, engineering units are expressed in powers of 10 that are multiples of 3.

For example,  $10^{-4}$  s would be referred to as  $100 \times 10^{-6}$  s, or  $100 \mu\text{s}$  (or, less frequently, 0.1 ms).

**Table 1.2** SI units

Quantity	Unit	Symbol
Length	Meter	m
Mass	Kilogram	kg
Time	Second	s
Electric current	Ampere	A
Temperature	Kelvin	K
Luminous intensity	Candela	cd

**Table 1.3** Standard prefixes

Prefix	Symbol	Power
atto	a	$10^{-18}$
femto	f	$10^{-15}$
pico	p	$10^{-12}$
nano	n	$10^{-9}$
micro	$\mu$	$10^{-6}$
milli	m	$10^{-3}$
centi	c	$10^{-2}$
deci	d	$10^{-1}$
deka	da	10
kilo	k	$10^3$
mega	M	$10^6$
giga	G	$10^9$
tera	T	$10^{12}$

### 1.4 SPECIAL FEATURES OF THIS BOOK

This book includes a number of special features designed to make learning easier and to allow students to explore the subject matter of the book in greater depth, if so desired, through the use of computer-aided tools and the Internet. The principal features of the book are described on the next two pages.

## Learning Objectives

1. The principal *learning objectives* are clearly identified at the beginning of each chapter.
2. The symbol  $\curvearrowright$  is used to identify definitions and derivations critical to the accomplishment of a specific learning objective.
3. Each example is similarly marked.

## EXAMPLES

The examples in the book have also been set aside from the main text, so that they can be easily identified. All examples are solved by following the same basic methodology: A clear and simple problem statement is given, followed by a solution. The solution consists of several parts: All known quantities in the problem are summarized, and the problem statement is translated into a specific objective (e.g., “Find the equivalent resistance  $R$ ”).

Next, the given data and assumptions are listed, and finally the analysis is presented. The analysis method is based on the following principle: All problems are solved symbolically first, to obtain more general solutions that may guide the student in solving homework problems; the numerical solution is provided at the very end of the analysis. Each problem closes with comments summarizing the findings and tying the example to other sections of the book.

The solution methodology used in this book can be used as a general guide to problem-solving techniques well beyond the material taught in the introductory electrical engineering courses. The examples in this book are intended to help you develop sound problem-solving habits for the remainder of your engineering career.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Each example is accompanied by at least one drill exercise.

Answer: The answer is provided right below the exercise.



This feature is devoted to helping the student *make the connection* between electrical engineering and other engineering disciplines. Analogies to other fields of engineering will be found in nearly every chapter.

## FOCUS ON METHODOLOGY

Each chapter, especially the early ones, includes “boxes” titled “Focus on Methodology.” The content of these boxes (which are set aside from the main text) summarizes important methods and procedures for the solution of common problems. They usually consist of step-by-step instructions, and are designed to assist you in methodically solving problems.

### Find It on the Web!

The use of the Internet as a resource for knowledge and information is becoming increasingly common. In recognition of this fact, website references have been included in this book to give you a starting point in the exploration of the world of electrical engineering. Typical web references give you information on electrical engineering companies, products, and methods. Some of the sites contain tutorial material that may supplement the book's contents.



### Website

The list of features would not be complete without a reference to the book's website: [www.mhhe.com/rizzoni](http://www.mhhe.com/rizzoni). Create a bookmark for this site now! The site is designed to provide up-to-date additions, examples, errata, and other important information.

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## HOMEWORK PROBLEMS

- 1.1** List five applications of electric motors in the common household.
- 1.2** By analogy with the discussion of electrical systems in the automobile, list examples of applications of the electrical engineering disciplines of Table 1.1 for each of the following engineering systems:
- A ship.
  - A commercial passenger aircraft.
  - Your household.
  - A chemical process control plant.
- 1.3** Electric power systems provide energy in a variety of commercial and industrial settings. Make a list of systems and devices that receive electric power in
- A large office building.
  - A factory floor.
  - A construction site.



# PART I

## CIRCUITS

**Chapter 2** Fundamentals of Electric Circuits

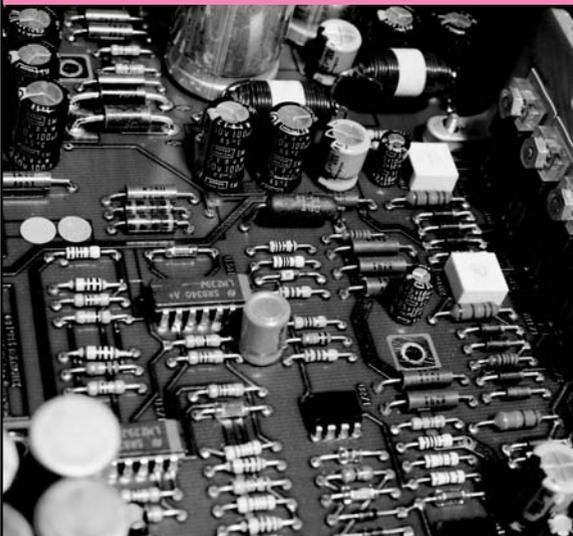
**Chapter 3** Resistive Network Analysis

**Chapter 4** AC Network Analysis

**Chapter 5** Transient Analysis

**Chapter 6** Frequency Response and System Concepts

**Chapter 7** AC Power



# C H A P T E R

# 2

## FUNDAMENTALS OF ELECTRIC CIRCUITS

**C**hapter 2 presents the fundamental laws that govern the behavior of electric circuits, and it serves as the foundation to the remainder of this book. The chapter begins with a series of definitions to acquaint the reader with electric circuits; next, the two fundamental laws of circuit analysis are introduced: Kirchhoff's current and voltage laws. With the aid of these tools, the concepts of electric power and the sign convention and methods for describing circuit elements—resistors in particular—are presented. Following these preliminary topics, the emphasis moves to basic analysis techniques—voltage and current dividers, and to some application examples related to the engineering use of these concepts. Examples include a description of strain gauges, circuits for the measurements of force and other related mechanical variables, and of the study of an automotive throttle position sensor. The chapter closes with a brief discussion of electric measuring instruments. The following box outlines the principal learning objectives of the chapter.



## Mechanical (Gravitational) Analog of Voltage Sources

The role played by a voltage source in an electric circuit is equivalent to that played by the force of gravity. Raising a mass with respect to a reference surface increases its potential energy. This potential energy can be converted to kinetic energy when the object moves to a lower position relative to the reference surface. The voltage, or potential difference across a voltage source plays an analogous role, raising the electrical potential of the circuit, so that current can flow, converting the potential energy within the voltage source to electric power.

## Learning Objectives

1. Identify the principal *elements of electric circuits*: nodes, loops, meshes, branches, and voltage and current sources. *Section 2.1.*
2. Apply *Kirchhoff's laws* to simple electric circuits and derive the basic circuit equations. *Sections 2.2 and 2.3.*
3. Apply the *passive sign convention* and compute the power dissipated by circuit elements. Calculate the power dissipated by a resistor. *Section 2.4.*
4. Apply the *voltage and current divider laws* to calculate unknown variables in simple series, parallel, and series-parallel circuits. *Sections 2.5 and 2.6.*
5. Understand the rules for connecting *electric measuring instruments* to electric circuits for the measurement of voltage, current, and power. *Sections 2.7 and 2.8.*

## 2.1 DEFINITIONS

In this section, we formally define some variables and concepts that are used in the remainder of the chapter. First, we define voltage and current sources; next, we define the concepts of *branch*, *node*, *loop*, and *mesh*, which form the basis of circuit analysis.

Intuitively, an ideal source is a source that can provide an arbitrary amount of energy. **Ideal sources** are divided into two types: voltage sources and current sources. Of these, you are probably more familiar with the first, since dry-cell, alkaline, and lead-acid batteries are all voltage sources (they are not ideal, of course). You might have to think harder to come up with a physical example that approximates the behavior of an ideal current source; however, reasonably good approximations of ideal current sources also exist. For instance, a voltage source connected in series with a circuit element that has a large resistance to the flow of current from the source provides a nearly constant—though small—current and therefore acts very nearly as an ideal current source. A battery charger is another example of a device that can operate as a current source.

### Ideal Voltage Sources

An **ideal voltage source** is an electric device that generates a prescribed voltage at its terminals. The ability of an ideal voltage source to generate its output voltage is not affected by the current it must supply to the other circuit elements. Another way to phrase the same idea is as follows:



An ideal voltage source provides a prescribed voltage across its terminals irrespective of the current flowing through it. The amount of current supplied by the source is determined by the circuit connected to it.

Figure 2.1 depicts various symbols for voltage sources that are employed throughout this book. Note that the output voltage of an ideal source can be a function of time. In general, the following notation is employed in this book, unless otherwise noted. A generic voltage source is denoted by a lowercase  $v$ . If it is necessary to emphasize that the source produces a time-varying voltage, then the notation  $v(t)$  is

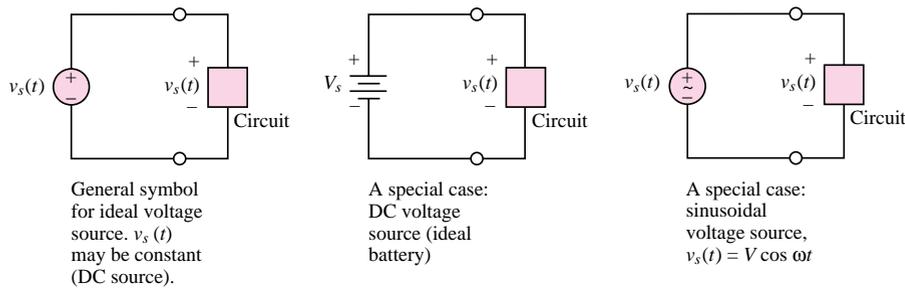


Figure 2.1 Ideal voltage sources

employed. Finally, a constant, or *direct current*, or *DC*, voltage source is denoted by the uppercase character  $V$ . Note that by convention the direction of positive current flow out of a voltage source is *out of the positive terminal*.

The notion of an ideal voltage source is best appreciated within the context of the source-load representation of electric circuits. Figure 2.2 depicts the connection of an energy source with a passive circuit (i.e., a circuit that can absorb and dissipate energy). Three different representations are shown to illustrate the conceptual, symbolic, and physical significance of this source-load idea.

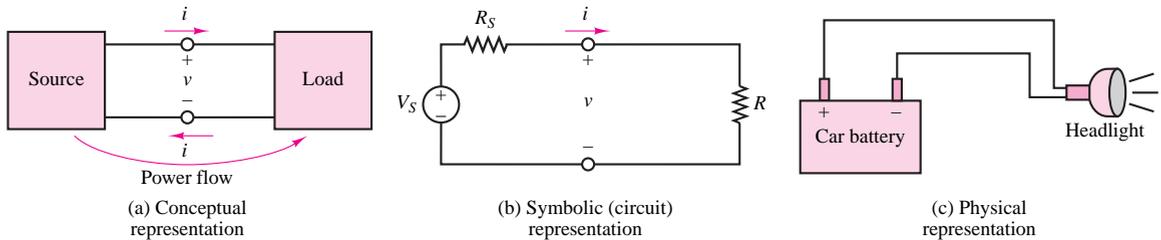


Figure 2.2 Various representations of an electrical system

In the analysis of electric circuits, we choose to represent the physical reality of Figure 2.2(c) by means of the approximation provided by ideal circuit elements, as depicted in Figure 2.2(b).

### Ideal Current Sources

An **ideal current source** is a device that can generate a prescribed current independent of the circuit to which it is connected. To do so, it must be able to generate an arbitrary voltage across its terminals. Figure 2.3 depicts the symbol used to represent ideal current sources. By analogy with the definition of the ideal voltage source just stated, we write that

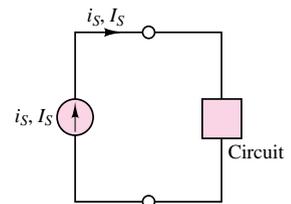


Figure 2.3 Symbol for ideal current source

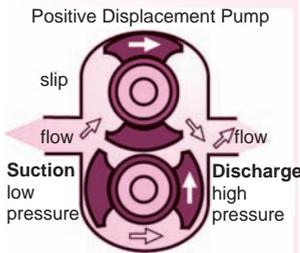
An ideal current source provides a prescribed current to any circuit connected to it. The voltage generated by the source is determined by the circuit connected to it.





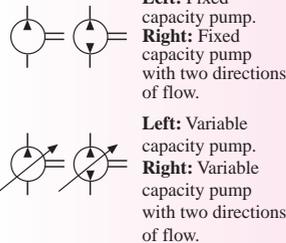
### Hydraulic Analog of Current Sources

The role played by a current source in an electric circuit is very similar to that of a pump in a hydraulic circuit. In a pump, an internal mechanism (pistons, vanes, or impellers) forces fluid to be pumped from a reservoir to a hydraulic circuit. The volume flow rate of the fluid  $q$ , in cubic meters per second, in the hydraulic circuit, is analogous to the electrical current in the circuit.



A hydraulic pump

#### Pump symbols



Courtesy: Department of Energy

The same uppercase and lowercase convention used for voltage sources is employed in denoting current sources.

### Dependent (Controlled) Sources

The sources described so far have the capability of generating a prescribed voltage or current independent of any other element within the circuit. Thus, they are termed *independent sources*. There exists another category of sources, however, whose output (current or voltage) is a function of some other voltage or current in a circuit. These are called **dependent** (or **controlled**) **sources**. A different symbol, in the shape of a diamond, is used to represent dependent sources and to distinguish them from independent sources. The symbols typically used to represent dependent sources are depicted in Figure 2.4; the table illustrates the relationship between the source voltage or current and the voltage or current it depends on— $v_x$  or  $i_x$ , respectively—which can be any voltage or current in the circuit.

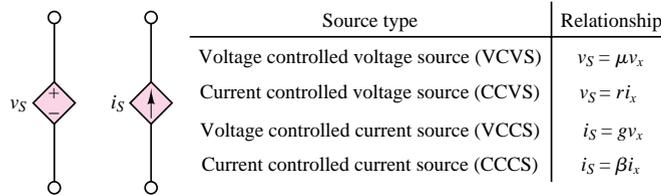


Figure 2.4 Symbols for dependent sources

Dependent sources are very useful in describing certain types of electronic circuits. You will encounter dependent sources again in Chapters 8, 10, and 11, when electronic amplifiers are discussed.

An **electrical network** is a collection of elements through which current flows. The following definitions introduce some important elements of a network.

### Branch

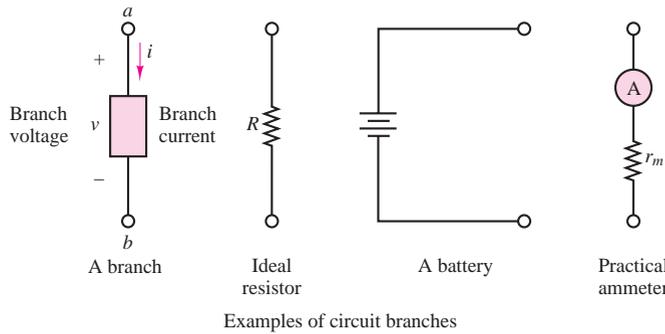
A **branch** is any portion of a circuit with two terminals connected to it. A branch may consist of one or more circuit elements (Figure 2.5). In practice, any circuit element with two terminals connected to it is a branch.

### Node

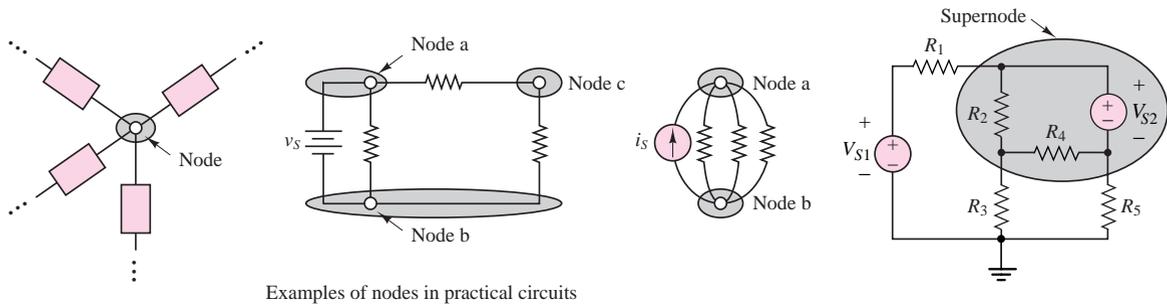
A **node** is the junction of two or more branches (one often refers to the junction of only two branches as a *trivial node*). Figure 2.6 illustrates the concept. In effect, any connection that can be accomplished by soldering various terminals together is a node. It is very important to identify nodes properly in the analysis of electrical networks.

It is sometimes convenient to use the concept of a **supernode**. A supernode is obtained by defining a region that encloses more than one node, as shown in the rightmost circuit of Figure 2.6. Supernodes can be treated in exactly the same way as nodes.





**Figure 2.5** Definition of a branch



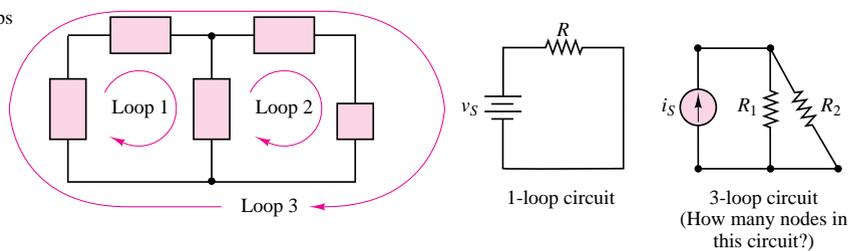
**Figure 2.6** Definitions of node and supernode

### Loop

A **loop** is any closed connection of branches. Various loop configurations are illustrated in Figure 2.7.



Note how two different loops in the same circuit may include some of the same elements or branches.



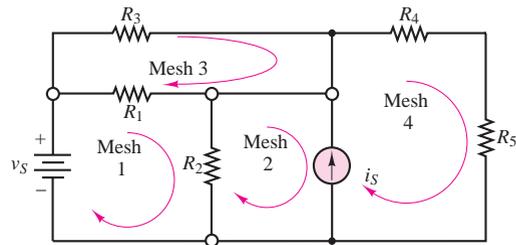
**Figure 2.7** Definition of a loop

### Mesh

A **mesh** is a loop that does not contain other loops. Meshes are an important aid to certain analysis methods. In Figure 2.7, the circuit with loops 1, 2, and 3 consists of two meshes: Loops 1 and 2 are meshes, but loop 3 is not a mesh, because it encircles both loops 1 and 2. The one-loop circuit of Figure 2.7 is also a one-mesh circuit. Figure 2.8 illustrates how meshes are simpler to visualize in complex networks than loops are.



How many loops can you identify in this four-mesh circuit? (Answer: 15)



**Figure 2.8** Definition of a mesh

## Network Analysis

The analysis of an electrical network consists of determining each of the unknown branch currents and node voltages. It is therefore important to define all the relevant variables as clearly as possible and in systematic fashion. Once the known and unknown variables have been identified, a set of equations relating these variables is constructed, and these are solved by means of suitable techniques.

Before introducing methods for the analysis of electrical networks, we must formally present some important laws of circuit analysis.

## 2.2 CHARGE, CURRENT, AND KIRCHHOFF'S CURRENT LAW

The earliest accounts of electricity date from about 2,500 years ago, when it was discovered that static charge on a piece of amber was capable of attracting very light objects, such as feathers. The word *electricity* originated about 600 B.C.; it comes from *elektron*, which was the ancient Greek word for amber. The true nature of electricity was not understood until much later, however. Following the work of Alessandro Volta and his invention of the copper-zinc battery, it was determined that static electricity and the current that flows in metal wires connected to a battery are due to the same fundamental mechanism: the atomic structure of matter, consisting of a nucleus—neutrons and protons—surrounded by electrons. The fundamental electric quantity is **charge**, and the smallest amount of charge that exists is the charge carried by an electron, equal to

$$q_e = -1.602 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C} \quad (2.1)$$

As you can see, the amount of charge associated with an electron is rather small. This, of course, has to do with the size of the unit we use to measure charge, the **coulomb (C)**, named after Charles Coulomb. However, the definition of the coulomb leads to an appropriate unit when we define electric current, since current consists of the flow of very large numbers of charge particles. The other charge-carrying particle in an atom, the proton, is assigned a plus sign and the same magnitude. The charge of a proton is

$$q_p = +1.602 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C} \quad (2.2)$$

Electrons and protons are often referred to as **elementary charges**.

**Electric current** is defined as the time rate of change of charge passing through a predetermined area. Typically, this area is the cross-sectional area of a metal



Charles Coulomb (1736–1806).  
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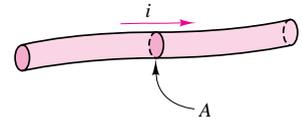
wire; however, we explore later a number of cases in which the current-carrying material is not a conducting wire. Figure 2.9 depicts a macroscopic view of the flow of charge in a wire, where we imagine  $\Delta q$  units of charge flowing through the cross-sectional area  $A$  in  $\Delta t$  units of time. The resulting current  $i$  is then given by

$$i = \frac{\Delta q}{\Delta t} \quad \frac{\text{C}}{\text{s}} \quad (2.3)$$

If we consider the effect of the enormous number of elementary charges actually flowing, we can write this relationship in differential form:

$$i = \frac{dq}{dt} \quad \frac{\text{C}}{\text{s}} \quad (2.4)$$

Current  $i = dq/dt$  is generated by the flow of charge through the cross-sectional area  $A$  in a conductor.



**Figure 2.9** Current flow in an electric conductor

The units of current are called **amperes**, where 1 ampere (A) = 1 coulomb/second (C/s). The name of the unit is a tribute to the French scientist André-Marie Ampère. The electrical engineering convention states that the positive direction of current flow is that of positive charges. In metallic conductors, however, current is carried by negative charges; these charges are the free electrons in the conduction band, which are only weakly attracted to the atomic structure in metallic elements and are therefore easily displaced in the presence of electric fields.

## EXAMPLE 2.1 Charge and Current in a Conductor

### Problem

Find the total charge in a cylindrical conductor (solid wire) and compute the current flowing in the wire.

### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Conductor geometry, charge density, charge carrier velocity.

**Find:** Total charge of carriers  $Q$ ; current in the wire  $I$ .

#### Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:

Conductor length:  $L = 1$  m.

Conductor diameter:  $2r = 2 \times 10^{-3}$  m.

Charge density:  $n = 10^{29}$  carriers/m<sup>3</sup>.

Charge of one electron:  $q_e = -1.602 \times 10^{-19}$ .

Charge carrier velocity:  $u = 19.9 \times 10^{-6}$  m/s.

**Assumptions:** None.

**Analysis:** To compute the total charge in the conductor, we first determine the volume of the conductor:

Volume = length  $\times$  cross-sectional area

$$V = L \times \pi r^2 = (1 \text{ m}) \left[ \pi \left( \frac{2 \times 10^{-3}}{2} \right)^2 \text{ m}^2 \right] = \pi \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^3$$

Next, we compute the number of carriers (electrons) in the conductor and the total charge:

Number of carriers = volume  $\times$  carrier density

$$N = V \times n = (\pi \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^3) \left( 10^{29} \frac{\text{carriers}}{\text{m}^3} \right) = \pi \times 10^{23} \text{ carriers}$$

Charge = number of carriers  $\times$  charge/carrier

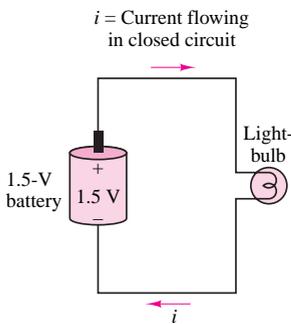
$$Q = N \times q_e = (\pi \times 10^{23} \text{ carriers}) \times \left( -1.602 \times 10^{-19} \frac{\text{C}}{\text{carrier}} \right) = -50.33 \times 10^3 \text{ C}$$

To compute the current, we consider the velocity of the charge carriers and the charge density per unit length of the conductor:

Current = carrier charge density per unit length  $\times$  carrier velocity

$$I = \left( \frac{Q}{L} \frac{\text{C}}{\text{m}} \right) \times \left( u \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}} \right) = \left( -50.33 \times 10^3 \frac{\text{C}}{\text{m}} \right) \left( 19.9 \times 10^{-6} \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}} \right) = -1 \text{ A}$$

**Comments:** Charge carrier density is a function of material properties. Carrier velocity is a function of the applied electric field.



**Figure 2.10** A simple electric circuit

In order for current to flow, there must exist a closed circuit.

Figure 2.10 depicts a simple circuit, composed of a battery (e.g., a dry-cell or alkaline 1.5-V battery) and a lightbulb.

Note that in the circuit of Figure 2.10, the current  $i$  flowing from the battery to the lightbulb is equal to the current flowing from the lightbulb to the battery. In other words, no current (and therefore no charge) is “lost” around the closed circuit. This principle was observed by the German scientist G. R. Kirchhoff<sup>1</sup> and is now known as **Kirchhoff’s current law (KCL)**. Kirchhoff’s current law states that because charge cannot be created but must be conserved, *the sum of the currents at a node must equal zero*. Formally,

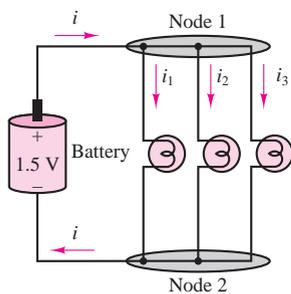


Illustration of KCL at node 1:  $-i + i_1 + i_2 + i_3 = 0$

**Figure 2.11** Illustration of Kirchhoff’s current law

$$\sum_{n=1}^N i_n = 0 \quad \text{Kirchhoff’s current law}$$

(2.5)



The significance of Kirchhoff’s current law is illustrated in Figure 2.11, where the simple circuit of Figure 2.10 has been augmented by the addition of two lightbulbs (note how the two nodes that exist in this circuit have been emphasized by the shaded areas). In this illustration, we define currents entering a node as being negative and

<sup>1</sup>Gustav Robert Kirchhoff (1824–1887), a German scientist, published the first systematic description of the laws of circuit analysis. His contribution—though not original in terms of its scientific content—forms the basis of all circuit analysis.

currents exiting the node as being positive. Thus, the resulting expression for node 1 of the circuit of Figure 2.11 is

$$-i + i_1 + i_2 + i_3 = 0$$

Note that if we had assumed that currents entering the node were positive, the result would not have changed.

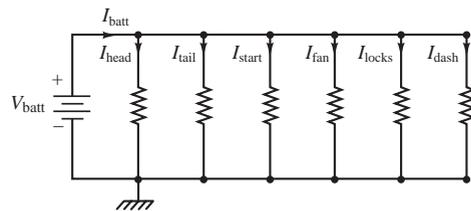
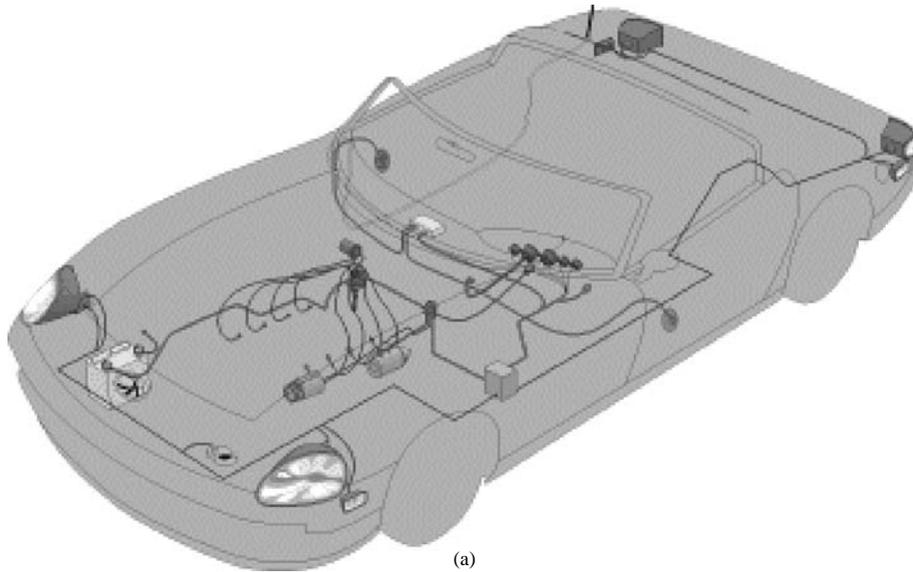
Kirchhoff's current law is one of the fundamental laws of circuit analysis, making it possible to express currents in a circuit in terms of one another. KCL is explored further in Examples 2.2 through 2.4.

### EXAMPLE 2.2 Kirchhoff's Current Law Applied to an Automotive Electrical Harness



#### Problem

Figure 2.12 shows an **automotive battery** connected to a variety of circuits in an automobile. The circuits include headlights, taillights, starter motor, fan, power locks, and dashboard panel. The battery must supply enough current to independently satisfy the requirements of each of the “load” circuits. Apply KCL to the automotive circuits.



**Figure 2.12** (a) Automotive circuits; (b) equivalent electric circuit

**Solution**

**Known Quantities:** Components of electrical harness: headlights, taillights, starter motor, fan, power locks, and dashboard panel.

**Find:** Expression relating battery current to load currents.

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:** Figure 2.12.

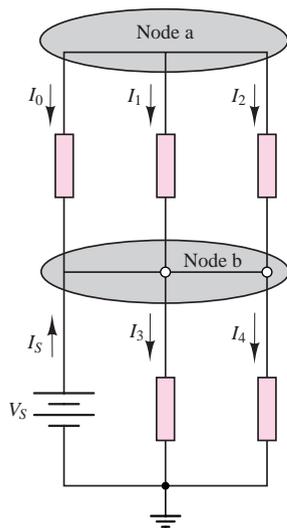
**Assumptions:** None.

**Analysis:** Figure 2.12(b) depicts the equivalent electric circuit, illustrating how the current supplied by the battery must divide among the various circuits. The application of KCL to the equivalent circuit of Figure 2.12 requires that

$$I_{\text{batt}} - I_{\text{head}} - I_{\text{tail}} - I_{\text{start}} - I_{\text{fan}} - I_{\text{locks}} - I_{\text{dash}} = 0$$

**LO2****EXAMPLE 2.3 Application of KCL****Problem**

Determine the unknown currents in the circuit of Figure 2.13.



**Figure 2.13** Demonstration of KCL

**Solution**

**Known Quantities:**

$$I_S = 5 \text{ A} \quad I_1 = 2 \text{ A} \quad I_2 = -3 \text{ A} \quad I_3 = 1.5 \text{ A}$$

**Find:**  $I_0$  and  $I_4$ .

**Analysis:** Two nodes are clearly shown in Figure 2.13 as node a and node b; the third node in the circuit is the reference (ground) node. In this example we apply KCL at each of the three nodes.

At node a:

$$I_0 + I_1 + I_2 = 0$$

$$I_0 + 2 - 3 = 0$$

$$\therefore I_0 = 1 \text{ A}$$

Note that the three currents are all defined as flowing away from the node, but one of the currents has a negative value (i.e., it is actually flowing toward the node).

At node b:

$$I_S - I_3 - I_4 = 0$$

$$5 - 1.5 - I_4 = 0$$

$$\therefore I_4 = 3.5 \text{ A}$$

Note that the current from the battery is defined in a direction opposite to that of the other two currents (i.e., toward the node instead of away from the node). Thus, in applying KCL, we have used opposite signs for the first and the latter two currents.

At the reference node: If we use the same convention (positive value for currents entering the node and negative value for currents exiting the node), we obtain the following equations:

$$-I_S + I_3 + I_4 = 0$$

$$-5 + 1.5 + I_4 = 0$$

$$\therefore I_4 = 3.5 \text{ A}$$

**Comments:** The result obtained at the reference node is exactly the same as we already calculated at node b. This fact suggests that some redundancy may result when we apply KCL at each node in a circuit. In Chapter 3 we develop a method called *node analysis* that ensures the derivation of the smallest possible set of independent equations.

### CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Repeat the exercise of Example 2.3 when  $I_0 = 0.5$  A,  $I_2 = 2$  A,  $I_3 = 7$  A, and  $I_4 = -1$  A. Find  $I_1$  and  $I_5$ .

Answer:  $I_1 = 6$  A and  $I_5 = -2.5$  A

### EXAMPLE 2.4 Application of KCL



#### Problem

Apply KCL to the circuit of Figure 2.14, using the concept of supernode to determine the source current  $I_{S1}$ .

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:**

$$I_3 = 2 \text{ A} \quad I_5 = 0 \text{ A}$$

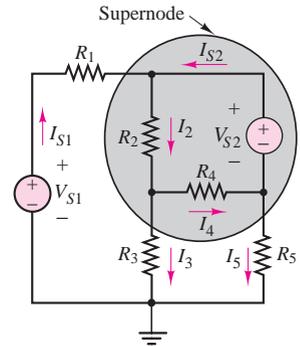
**Find:**  $I_{S1}$ .

**Analysis:** Treating the supernode as a simple node, we apply KCL at the supernode to obtain

$$I_{S1} - I_3 - I_5 = 0$$

$$I_{S1} = I_3 + I_5 = 2 \text{ A}$$

**Comments:** The value of this analysis will become clear when you complete the drill exercise below.



**Figure 2.14** Application of KCL with a supernode

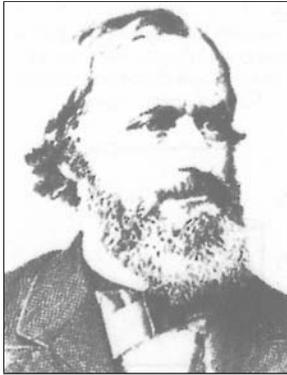
### CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Use the result of Example 2.4 and the following data to compute the current  $I_{S2}$  in the circuit of Figure 2.14.

$$I_2 = 3 \text{ A} \quad I_4 = 1 \text{ A}$$

Answer:  $I_{S2} = 1$  A

## 2.3 VOLTAGE AND KIRCHHOFF'S VOLTAGE LAW



Gustav Robert Kirchhoff (1824–1887). Photograph courtesy of Deutsches Museum, Munich.

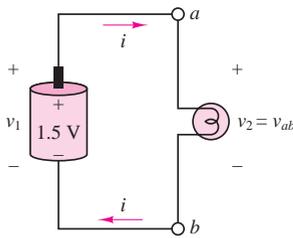


Illustration of Kirchhoff's voltage law:  $v_1 = v_2$

**Figure 2.15** Voltages around a circuit

Charge moving in an electric circuit gives rise to a current, as stated in Section 2.2. Naturally, it must take some work, or energy, for the charge to move between two points in a circuit, say, from point  $a$  to point  $b$ . The total *work per unit charge* associated with the motion of charge between two points is called **voltage**. Thus, the units of voltage are those of energy per unit charge; they have been called **volts** in honor of Alessandro Volta:

$$1 \text{ volt (V)} = 1 \frac{\text{joule (J)}}{\text{coulomb (C)}} \quad (2.6)$$

The voltage, or **potential difference**, between two points in a circuit indicates the energy required to move charge from one point to the other. The role played by a voltage source in an electric circuit is equivalent to that played by the force of gravity. Raising a mass with respect to a reference surface increases its potential energy. This potential energy can be converted to kinetic energy when the object moves to a lower position relative to the reference surface. The voltage, or potential difference, across a voltage source plays an analogous role, raising the electrical potential of the circuit, so that charge can move in the circuit, converting the potential energy within the voltage source to electric power. As will be presently shown, the direction, or polarity, of the voltage is closely tied to whether energy is being dissipated or generated in the process. The seemingly abstract concept of work being done in moving charges can be directly applied to the analysis of electric circuits; consider again the simple circuit consisting of a battery and a lightbulb. The circuit is drawn again for convenience in Figure 2.15, with nodes defined by the letters  $a$  and  $b$ . Experimental observations led Kirchhoff to the formulation of the second of his laws, **Kirchhoff's voltage law**, or **KVL**. The principle underlying KVL is that no energy is lost or created in an electric circuit; in circuit terms, the sum of all voltages associated with sources must equal the sum of the load voltages, so that *the net voltage around a closed circuit is zero*. If this were not the case, we would need to find a physical explanation for the excess (or missing) energy not accounted for in the voltages around a circuit. Kirchhoff's voltage law may be stated in a form similar to that used for KCL



$$\sum_{n=1}^N v_n = 0 \quad \text{Kirchhoff's voltage law} \quad (2.7)$$

where the  $v_n$  are the individual voltages around the closed circuit. To understand this concept, we must introduce the concept of **reference voltage**.

In Figure 2.15, the *voltage across the lightbulb* is the difference between two node voltages,  $v_a$  and  $v_b$ . In a circuit, any one node may be chosen as the reference node, such that all node voltages may be referenced to this **reference voltage**. In Figure 2.15, we could select the voltage at node  $b$  as the reference voltage and observe that the battery's positive terminal is 1.5 V *above the reference voltage*. It is convenient to assign a value of zero to reference voltages, since this simplifies the voltage assignments around the circuit. With reference to Figure 2.15, and assuming

that  $v_b = 0$ , we can write

$$v_1 = 1.5 \text{ V}$$

$$v_2 = v_{ab} = v_a - v_b = v_a - 0 = v_a$$

but  $v_a$  and  $v_1$  are the same voltage, that is, the voltage at node  $a$  (referenced to node  $b$ ). Thus

$$v_1 = v_2$$

One may think of the work done in moving a charge from point  $a$  to point  $b$  and the work done moving it back from  $b$  to  $a$  as corresponding directly to the *voltages across individual circuit elements*. Let  $Q$  be the total charge that moves around the circuit per unit time, giving rise to current  $i$ . Then the work  $W$  done in moving  $Q$  from  $b$  to  $a$  (i.e., across the battery) is

$$W_{ba} = Q \times 1.5 \text{ V} \quad (2.8)$$

Similarly, work is done in moving  $Q$  from  $a$  to  $b$ , that is, across the lightbulb. Note that the word *potential* is quite appropriate as a synonym of voltage, in that voltage represents the potential energy between two points in a circuit: If we remove the lightbulb from its connections to the battery, there still exists a voltage across the (now disconnected) terminals  $b$  and  $a$ . This is illustrated in Figure 2.16.

A moment's reflection upon the significance of voltage should suggest that it must be necessary to specify a sign for this quantity. Consider, again, the same dry-cell or alkaline battery where, by virtue of an electrochemically induced separation of charge, a 1.5-V potential difference is generated. The potential generated by the battery may be used to move charge in a circuit. The rate at which charge is moved once a closed circuit is established (i.e., the current drawn by the circuit connected to the battery) depends now on the circuit element we choose to connect to the battery. Thus, while the voltage across the battery represents the potential for *providing energy* to a circuit, the voltage across the lightbulb indicates the amount of work done in *dissipating energy*. In the first case, energy is generated; in the second, it is consumed (note that energy may also be stored, by suitable circuit elements yet to be introduced). This fundamental distinction requires attention in defining the sign (or polarity) of voltages.

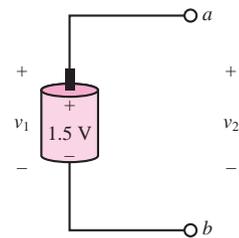
We shall, in general, refer to elements that provide energy as **sources** and to elements that dissipate energy as **loads**. Standard symbols for a generalized source-and-load circuit are shown in Figure 2.17. Formal definitions are given later.

## Ground

The concept of reference voltage finds a practical use in the *ground voltage* of a circuit. Ground represents a specific reference voltage that is usually a clearly identified point in a circuit. For example, the ground reference voltage can be identified with the case or enclosure of an instrument, or with the earth itself. In residential electric circuits, the ground reference is a large conductor that is physically connected to the earth. It is convenient to assign a potential of 0 V to the ground voltage reference.

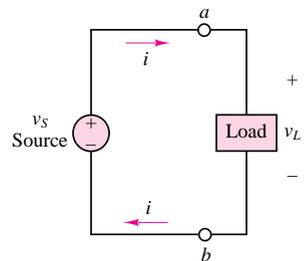
The choice of the word *ground* is not arbitrary. This point can be illustrated by a simple analogy with the physics of fluid motion. Consider a tank of water, as shown in Figure 2.18, located at a certain height above the ground. The potential energy due to gravity will cause water to flow out of the pipe at a certain flow rate. The pressure that forces water out of the pipe is directly related to the head

The presence of a voltage,  $v_2$ , across the open terminals  $a$  and  $b$  indicates the potential energy that can enable the motion of charge, once a closed circuit is established to allow current to flow.



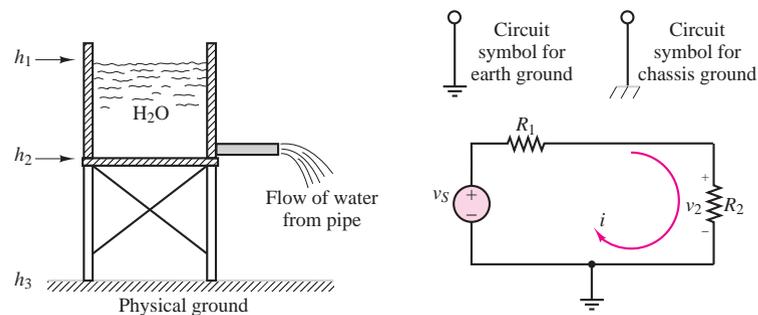
**Figure 2.16** Concept of voltage as potential difference

A symbolic representation of the battery–lightbulb circuit of Figure 2.15.



**Figure 2.17** Sources and loads in an electric circuit

$h_1 - h_2$  in such a way that this pressure is zero when  $h_2 = h_1$ . Now the point  $h_3$ , corresponding to the ground level, is defined as having zero potential energy. It should be apparent that the pressure acting on the fluid in the pipe is really caused by the difference in potential energy  $(h_1 - h_3) - (h_2 - h_3)$ . It can be seen, then, that it is not necessary to assign a precise energy level to the height  $h_3$ ; in fact, it would be extremely cumbersome to do so, since the equations describing the flow of water would then be different, say, in Denver, Colorado ( $h_3 = 1,600$  m above sea level), from those that would apply in Miami, Florida ( $h_3 = 0$  m above sea level). You see, then, that it is the relative difference in potential energy that matters in the water tank problem.



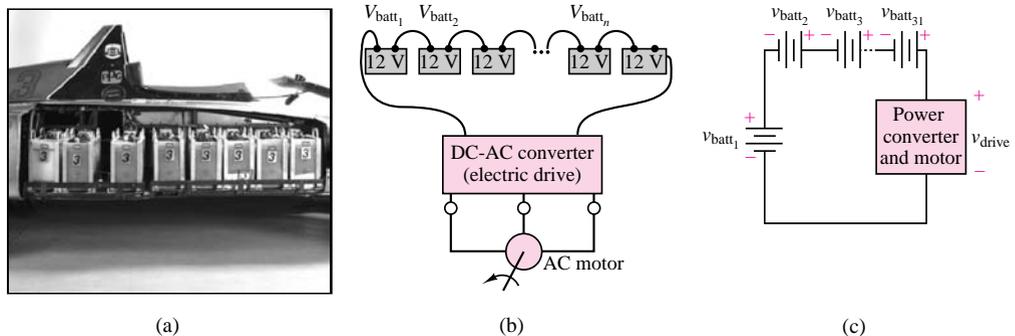
**Figure 2.18** Analogy between electrical and earth ground



### EXAMPLE 2.5 Kirchhoff's Voltage Law—Electric Vehicle Battery Pack

#### Problem

Figure 2.19(a) depicts the battery pack in the Smokin' Buckeye electric race car. In this example we apply KVL to the series connection of 31 12-V batteries that make up the battery supply for the electric vehicle.



**Figure 2.19** Electric vehicle battery pack: illustration of KVL (a) Courtesy: David H. Koether Photography.

### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Nominal characteristics of **Optima™ lead-acid batteries**.

**Find:** Expression relating battery and electric motor drive voltages.

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $V_{\text{batt}} = 12 \text{ V}$ ; Figure 2.19(a), (b), and (c).

**Assumptions:** None.

**Analysis:** Figure 2.19(b) depicts the equivalent electric circuit, illustrating how the voltages supplied by the battery are applied across the electric drive that powers the vehicle's 150-kW three-phase induction motor. The application of KVL to the equivalent circuit of Figure 2.19(b) requires that:

$$\sum_{n=1}^{31} V_{\text{batt}_n} - V_{\text{drive}} = 0$$

Thus, the electric drive is nominally supplied by a  $31 \times 12 = 372\text{-V}$  battery pack. In reality, the voltage supplied by lead-acid batteries varies depending on the state of charge of the battery. When fully charged, the battery pack of Figure 2.19(a) is closer to supplying around 400 V (i.e., around 13 V per battery).



### EXAMPLE 2.6 Application of KVL

#### Problem

Determine the unknown voltage  $V_2$  by applying KVL to the circuit of Figure 2.20.

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:**

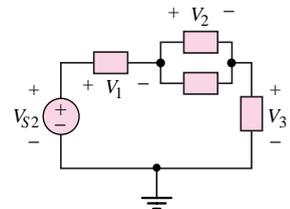
$$V_{S2} = 12 \text{ V} \quad V_1 = 6 \text{ V} \quad V_3 = 1 \text{ V}$$

**Find:**  $V_2$ .

**Analysis:** Applying KVL around the simple loop, we write

$$\begin{aligned} V_{S2} - V_1 - V_2 - V_3 &= 0 \\ V_2 &= V_{S2} - V_1 - V_3 = 12 - 6 - 1 = 5 \text{ V} \end{aligned}$$

**Comments:** Note that  $V_2$  is the voltage across two branches in parallel, and it must be equal for each of the two elements, since the two elements share the same nodes.



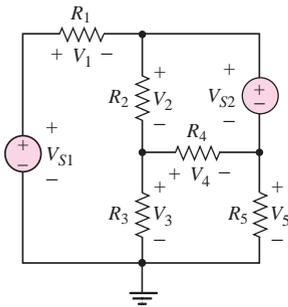
**Figure 2.20** Circuit for Example 2.6

### EXAMPLE 2.7 Application of KVL

#### Problem

Use KVL to determine the unknown voltages  $V_1$  and  $V_4$  in the circuit of Figure 2.21.





**Figure 2.21** Circuit for Example 2.7

### Solution

#### Known Quantities:

$$V_{S1} = 12 \text{ V} \quad V_{S2} = -4 \text{ V} \quad V_2 = 2 \text{ V} \quad V_3 = 6 \text{ V} \quad V_5 = 12 \text{ V}$$

#### Find: $V_1, V_4$ .

**Analysis:** To determine the unknown voltages, we apply KVL clockwise around each of the three meshes:

$$V_{S1} - V_1 - V_2 - V_3 = 0$$

$$V_2 - V_{S2} + V_4 = 0$$

$$V_3 - V_4 - V_5 = 0$$

Next, we substitute numerical values:

$$12 - V_1 - 2 - 6 = 0$$

$$V_1 = 4 \text{ V}$$

$$2 - (-4) + V_4 = 0$$

$$V_4 = -6 \text{ V}$$

$$6 - (-6) - V_5 = 0$$

$$V_5 = 12 \text{ V}$$

**Comments:** In Chapter 3 we develop a systematic procedure called *mesh analysis* to solve this kind of problem.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Use the outer loop (around the outside perimeter of the circuit) to solve for  $V_1$ .

Answer: same as above

## 2.4 ELECTRIC POWER AND SIGN CONVENTION

The definition of voltage as work per unit charge lends itself very conveniently to the introduction of power. Recall that power is defined as the work done per unit time. Thus, the power  $P$  either generated or dissipated by a circuit element can be represented by the following relationship:

$$\text{Power} = \frac{\text{work}}{\text{time}} = \frac{\text{work}}{\text{charge}} \frac{\text{charge}}{\text{time}} = \text{voltage} \times \text{current} \quad (2.9)$$

Thus,

The electric power generated by an active element, or that dissipated or stored by a passive element, is equal to the product of the voltage across the element and the current flowing through it.



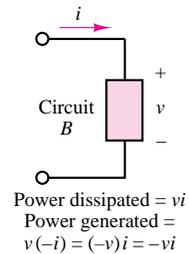
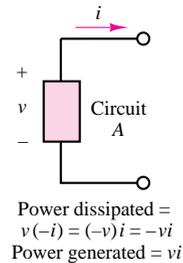
$$P = VI$$

(2.10)

It is easy to verify that the units of voltage (joules per coulomb) times current (coulombs per second) are indeed those of power (joules per second, or watts).

It is important to realize that, just like voltage, power is a signed quantity, and it is necessary to make a distinction between *positive* and *negative power*. This distinction can be understood with reference to Figure 2.22, in which two circuits are shown side by side. The polarity of the voltage across circuit A and the direction of the current through it indicate that the circuit is *doing work in moving charge from a lower potential to a higher potential*. On the other hand, circuit B is dissipating energy, because the direction of the current indicates that *charge is being displaced from a higher potential to a lower potential*. To avoid confusion with regard to the sign of power, the electrical engineering community uniformly adopts the **passive sign convention**, which simply states that *the power dissipated by a load is a positive quantity* (or, conversely, that the power generated by a source is a positive quantity). Another way of phrasing the same concept is to state that if current flows from a higher to a lower voltage (plus to minus), the power is dissipated and will be a positive quantity.

It is important to note also that the actual numerical values of voltages and currents do not matter: Once the proper reference directions have been established and the passive sign convention has been applied consistently, the answer will be correct regardless of the reference direction chosen. Examples 2.8 and 2.9 illustrate this point.



**Figure 2.22** The passive sign convention

## FOCUS ON METHODOLOGY

### THE PASSIVE SIGN CONVENTION

1. Choose an arbitrary direction of current flow.
2. Label polarities of all active elements (voltage and current sources).
3. Assign polarities to all passive elements (resistors and other loads); for passive elements, current always flows into the positive terminal.
4. Compute the power dissipated by each element according to the following rule: If positive current flows into the positive terminal of an element, then the power dissipated is positive (i.e., the element absorbs power); if the current leaves the positive terminal of an element, then the power dissipated is negative (i.e., the element delivers power).





### EXAMPLE 2.8 Use of the Passive Sign Convention

#### Problem

Apply the passive sign convention to the circuit of Figure 2.23.

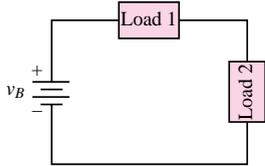


Figure 2.23

#### Solution

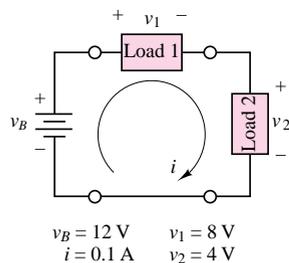
**Known Quantities:** Voltages across each circuit element; current in circuit.

**Find:** Power dissipated or generated by each element.

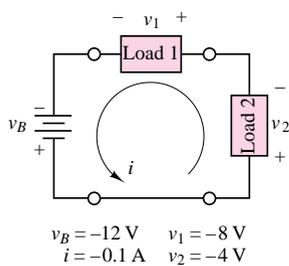
**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:** Figure 2.24(a) and (b). The voltage drop across load 1 is 8 V, that across load 2 is 4 V; the current in the circuit is 0.1 A.

**Assumptions:** None.

**Analysis:** Note that the sign convention is independent of the current direction we choose. We now apply the method twice to the same circuit. Following the passive sign convention, we first select an arbitrary direction for the current in the circuit; the example will be repeated for both possible directions of current flow to demonstrate that the methodology is sound.



(a)



(b)

Figure 2.24

1. Assume clockwise direction of current flow, as shown in Figure 2.24(a).
2. Label polarity of voltage source, as shown in Figure 2.24(a); since the arbitrarily chosen direction of the current is consistent with the true polarity of the voltage source, the source voltage will be a positive quantity.
3. Assign polarity to each passive element, as shown in Figure 2.24(a).
4. Compute the power dissipated by each element: Since current flows from  $-$  to  $+$  through the battery, the power dissipated by this element will be a negative quantity:

$$P_B = -v_B \times i = -12 \text{ V} \times 0.1 \text{ A} = -1.2 \text{ W}$$

that is, the battery *generates* 1.2 watts (W). The power dissipated by the two loads will be a positive quantity in both cases, since current flows from plus to minus:

$$P_1 = v_1 \times i = 8 \text{ V} \times 0.1 \text{ A} = 0.8 \text{ W}$$

$$P_2 = v_2 \times i = 4 \text{ V} \times 0.1 \text{ A} = 0.4 \text{ W}$$

Next, we repeat the analysis, assuming counterclockwise current direction.

1. Assume counterclockwise direction of current flow, as shown in Figure 2.24(b).
2. Label polarity of voltage source, as shown in Figure 2.24(b); since the arbitrarily chosen direction of the current is not consistent with the true polarity of the voltage source, the source voltage will be a negative quantity.
3. Assign polarity to each passive element, as shown in Figure 2.24(b).
4. Compute the power dissipated by each element: Since current flows from plus to minus through the battery, the power dissipated by this element will be a positive quantity; however, the source voltage is a negative quantity:

$$P_B = v_B \times i = (-12 \text{ V})(0.1 \text{ A}) = -1.2 \text{ W}$$

that is, the battery *generates* 1.2 W, as in the previous case. The power dissipated by the

two loads will be a positive quantity in both cases, since current flows from plus to minus:

$$P_1 = v_1 \times i = 8 \text{ V} \times 0.1 \text{ A} = 0.8 \text{ W}$$

$$P_2 = v_2 \times i = 4 \text{ V} \times 0.1 \text{ A} = 0.4 \text{ W}$$

**Comments:** It should be apparent that the most important step in the example is the correct assignment of source voltage; passive elements will always result in positive power dissipation. Note also that energy is conserved, as the sum of the power dissipated by source and loads is zero. In other words: *Power supplied always equals power dissipated.*

## EXAMPLE 2.9

### Problem

For the circuit shown in Figure 2.25, determine which components are absorbing power and which are delivering power. Is conservation of power satisfied? Explain your answer.

### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Current through elements  $D$  and  $E$ ; voltage across elements  $B$ ,  $C$ ,  $E$ .

**Find:** Which components are absorbing power, which are supplying power; verify the conservation of power.

**Analysis:** By KCL, the current through element  $B$  is 5 A, to the right. By KVL,

$$-v_a - 3 + 10 + 5 = 0$$

Therefore, the voltage across element  $A$  is

$$v_a = 12 \text{ V} \quad (\text{positive at the top})$$

$A$  supplies  $(12 \text{ V})(5 \text{ A}) = 60 \text{ W}$

$B$  supplies  $(3 \text{ V})(5 \text{ A}) = 15 \text{ W}$

$C$  absorbs  $(5 \text{ V})(5 \text{ A}) = 25 \text{ W}$

$D$  absorbs  $(10 \text{ V})(3 \text{ A}) = 30 \text{ W}$

$E$  absorbs  $(10 \text{ V})(2 \text{ A}) = 20 \text{ W}$

Total power supplied =  $60 \text{ W} + 15 \text{ W} = 75 \text{ W}$

Total power absorbed =  $25 \text{ W} + 30 \text{ W} + 20 \text{ W} = 75 \text{ W}$

Total power supplied = Total power absorbed, so conservation of power is satisfied

**Comments:** The procedure described in this example can be easily conducted experimentally, by performing simple voltage and current measurements. Measuring devices are introduced in Section 2.8.

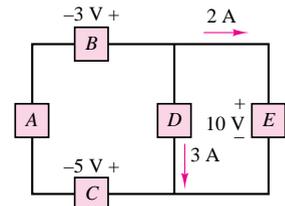


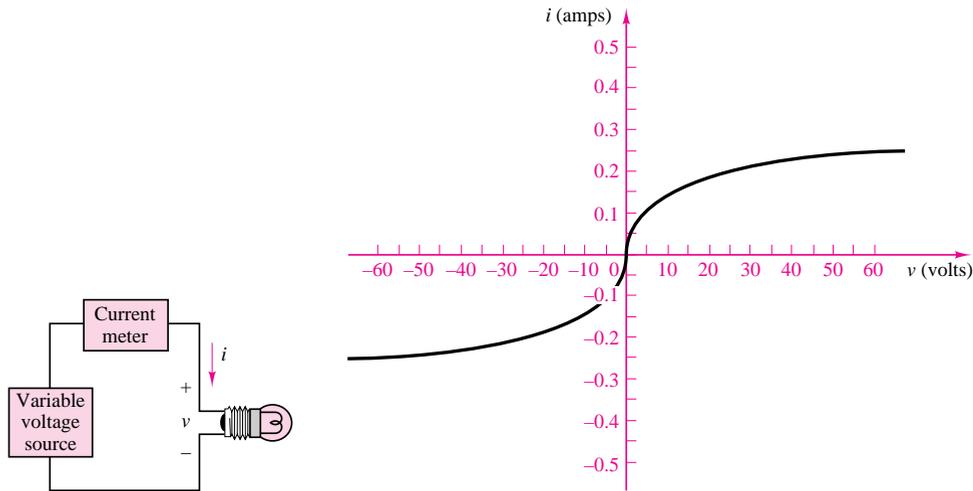
Figure 2.25

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Compute the current flowing through each of the headlights of Example 2.2 if each headlight has a power rating of 50 W. How much power is the battery providing?

Determine which circuit element in the following illustration (left) is supplying power and which is dissipating power. Also determine the amount of power dissipated and supplied.

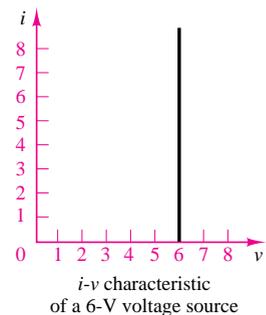
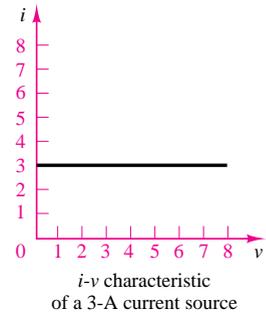




**Figure 2.27** Volt-ampere characteristic of a tungsten lightbulb

We can also relate the graphical  $i$ - $v$  representation of circuit elements to the power dissipated or generated by a circuit element. For example, the graphical representation of the lightbulb  $i$ - $v$  characteristic of Figure 2.27 illustrates that when a positive current flows through the bulb, the voltage is positive, and conversely, a negative current flow corresponds to a negative voltage. In both cases the power dissipated by the device is a positive quantity, as it should be, on the basis of the discussion of Section 2.4, since the lightbulb is a passive device. Note that the  $i$ - $v$  characteristic appears in only two of the four possible quadrants in the  $i$ - $v$  plane. In the other two quadrants, the product of voltage and current (i.e., power) is negative, and an  $i$ - $v$  curve with a portion in either of these quadrants therefore corresponds to power generated. This is not possible for a passive load such as a lightbulb; however, there are electronic devices that can operate, for example, in three of the four quadrants of the  $i$ - $v$  characteristic and can therefore act as sources of energy for specific combinations of voltages and currents. An example of this dual behavior is introduced in Chapter 9, where it is shown that the photodiode can act either in a passive mode (as a light sensor) or in an active mode (as a solar cell).

The  $i$ - $v$  characteristics of ideal current and voltage sources can also be useful in visually representing their behavior. An ideal voltage source generates a prescribed voltage independent of the current drawn from the load; thus, its  $i$ - $v$  characteristic is a straight vertical line with a voltage axis intercept corresponding to the source voltage. Similarly, the  $i$ - $v$  characteristic of an ideal current source is a horizontal line with a current axis intercept corresponding to the source current. Figure 2.28 depicts these behaviors.



**Figure 2.28**  $i$ - $v$  characteristics of ideal sources

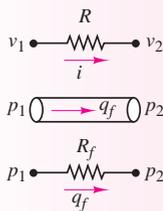
## 2.6 RESISTANCE AND OHM'S LAW

When electric current flows through a metal wire or through other circuit elements, it encounters a certain amount of **resistance**, the magnitude of which depends on the electrical properties of the material. Resistance to the flow of current may be undesired—for example, in the case of lead wires and connection cable—or it may



## Electric Circuit Analog of Hydraulic Systems—Fluid Resistance

A useful analogy can be made between the flow of electric current through electric components and the flow of incompressible fluids (e.g., water, oil) through hydraulic components. The analogy starts with the observation that the volume flow rate of a fluid in a pipe is analogous to current flow in a conductor. Similarly, pressure drop across the pipe is analogous to voltage drop across a resistor. The figure below depicts this relationship graphically. The fluid resistance opposed by the pipe to the fluid flow is analogous to an electrical resistance: The pressure difference between the two ends of the pipe causes fluid flow, much as a potential difference across a resistor forces a current flow. This analogy is explored further in Chapter 4.



**Analogy between  
electrical and fluid  
resistance**

be exploited in an electric circuit in a useful way. Nevertheless, practically all circuit elements exhibit some resistance; as a consequence, current flowing through an element will cause energy to be dissipated in the form of heat. An ideal **resistor** is a device that exhibits linear resistance properties according to **Ohm's law**, which states that

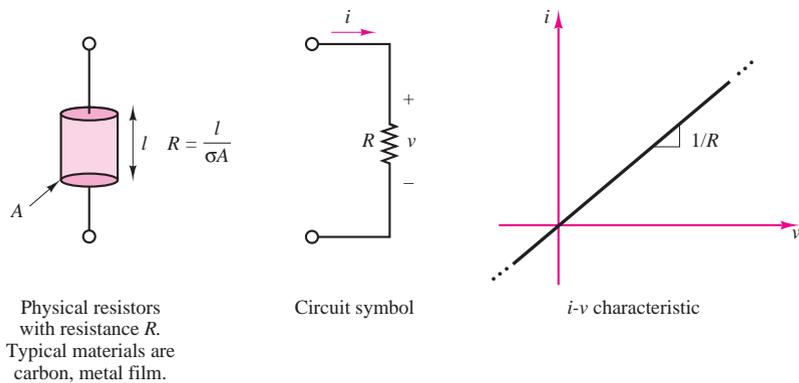
$$V = IR \quad \text{Ohm's law} \quad (2.13)$$

that is, that the voltage across an element is directly proportional to the current flow through it. The value of the resistance  $R$  is measured in units of **ohms** ( $\Omega$ ), where

$$1 \Omega = 1 \text{ V/A} \quad (2.14)$$

The resistance of a material depends on a property called **resistivity**, denoted by the symbol  $\rho$ ; the inverse of resistivity is called **conductivity** and is denoted by the symbol  $\sigma$ . For a cylindrical resistance element (shown in Figure 2.29), the resistance is proportional to the length of the sample  $l$  and inversely proportional to its cross-sectional area  $A$  and conductivity  $\sigma$ .

$$R = \frac{l}{\sigma A} \quad (2.15)$$



**Figure 2.29** The resistance element

It is often convenient to define the **conductance** of a circuit element as the inverse of its resistance. The symbol used to denote the conductance of an element is  $G$ , where

$$G = \frac{1}{R} \quad \text{siemens (S)} \quad \text{where} \quad 1 \text{ S} = 1 \text{ A/V} \quad (2.16)$$

Thus, Ohm's law can be restated in terms of conductance as

$$I = GV \quad (2.17)$$

Ohm's law is an empirical relationship that finds widespread application in electrical engineering because of its simplicity. It is, however, only an approximation of the physics of electrically conducting materials. Typically, the linear relationship

between voltage and current in electrical conductors does not apply at very high voltages and currents. Further, not all electrically conducting materials exhibit linear behavior even for small voltages and currents. It is usually true, however, that for some range of voltages and currents, most elements display a linear  $i-v$  characteristic. Figure 2.30 illustrates how the linear resistance concept may apply to elements with nonlinear  $i-v$  characteristics, by graphically defining the linear portion of the  $i-v$  characteristic of two common electrical devices: the lightbulb, which we have already encountered, and the semiconductor diode, which we study in greater detail in Chapter 9. Table 2.1 lists the conductivity of many common materials.

**Table 2.1** Resistivity of common materials at room temperature

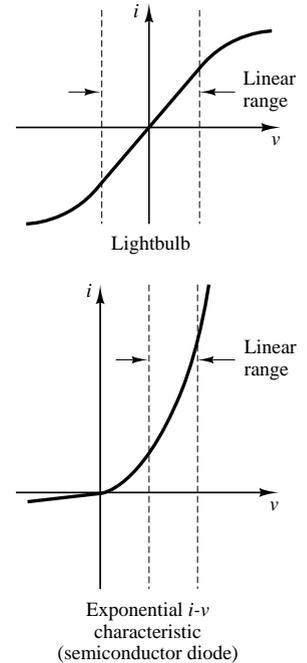
Material	Resistivity ( $\Omega\text{-m}$ )
Aluminum	$2.733 \times 10^{-8}$
Copper	$1.725 \times 10^{-8}$
Gold	$2.271 \times 10^{-8}$
Iron	$9.98 \times 10^{-8}$
Nickel	$7.20 \times 10^{-8}$
Platinum	$10.8 \times 10^{-8}$
Silver	$1.629 \times 10^{-8}$
Carbon	$3.5 \times 10^{-5}$

The typical construction and the circuit symbol of the resistor are shown in Figure 2.29. Resistors made of cylindrical sections of carbon (with resistivity  $\rho = 3.5 \times 10^{-5} \Omega\text{-m}$ ) are very common and are commercially available in a wide range of values for several power ratings (as explained shortly). Another common construction technique for resistors employs metal film. A common power rating for resistors used in electronic circuits (e.g., in most consumer electronic appliances such as radios and television sets) is  $\frac{1}{4}$  W. Table 2.2 lists the standard values for commonly used resistors and the color code associated with these values (i.e., the common combinations of the digits  $b_1 b_2 b_3$  as defined in Figure 2.31). For example, if the first three color bands on a resistor show the colors red ( $b_1 = 2$ ), violet ( $b_2 = 7$ ), and yellow ( $b_3 = 4$ ), the resistance value can be interpreted as follows:

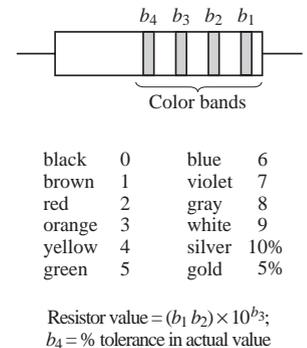
$$R = 27 \times 10^4 = 270,000 \Omega = 270 \text{ k}\Omega$$

**Table 2.2** Common resistor values ( $\frac{1}{8}$ -,  $\frac{1}{4}$ -,  $\frac{1}{2}$ -, 1-, 2-W rating)

$\Omega$	Code	$\Omega$	Multiplier	k $\Omega$	Multiplier	k $\Omega$	Multiplier	k $\Omega$	Multiplier
10	Brn-blk-blk	100	Brown	1.0	Red	10	Orange	100	Yellow
12	Brn-red-blk	120	Brown	1.2	Red	12	Orange	120	Yellow
15	Brn-grn-blk	150	Brown	1.5	Red	15	Orange	150	Yellow
18	Brn-gry-blk	180	Brown	1.8	Red	18	Orange	180	Yellow
22	Red-red-blk	220	Brown	2.2	Red	22	Orange	220	Yellow
27	Red-vlt-blk	270	Brown	2.7	Red	27	Orange	270	Yellow
33	Org-org-blk	330	Brown	3.3	Red	33	Orange	330	Yellow
39	Org-wht-blk	390	Brown	3.9	Red	39	Orange	390	Yellow
47	Ylw-vlt-blk	470	Brown	4.7	Red	47	Orange	470	Yellow
56	Grn-blu-blk	560	Brown	5.6	Red	56	Orange	560	Yellow
68	Blu-gry-blk	680	Brown	6.8	Red	68	Orange	680	Yellow
82	Gry-red-blk	820	Brown	8.2	Red	82	Orange	820	Yellow



**Figure 2.30**



**Figure 2.31** Resistor color code

In Table 2.2, the leftmost column represents the complete color code; columns to the right of it only show the third color, since this is the only one that changes. For example, a  $10\text{-}\Omega$  resistor has the code brown-black-*black*, while a  $100\text{-}\Omega$  resistor has the code of brown-black-*brown*.

In addition to the resistance in ohms, the maximum allowable power dissipation (or **power rating**) is typically specified for commercial resistors. Exceeding this power rating leads to overheating and can cause the resistor to literally burn up. For a resistor  $R$ , the power dissipated can be expressed, with Ohm's law substituted into equation 2.10, by

$$P = VI = I^2R = \frac{V^2}{R} \quad (2.18)$$

That is, the power dissipated by a resistor is proportional to the square of the current flowing through it, as well as the square of the voltage across it. Example 2.10 illustrates how you can make use of the power rating to determine whether a given resistor will be suitable for a certain application.



### EXAMPLE 2.10 Using Resistor Power Ratings

#### Problem

Determine the minimum **resistor size** that can be connected to a given battery without exceeding the resistor's  $\frac{1}{4}$ -W power rating.



#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Resistor power rating = 0.25 W. Battery voltages: 1.5 and 3 V.

**Find:** The smallest size  $\frac{1}{4}$ -W resistor that can be connected to each battery.

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:** Figure 2.32, Figure 2.33.

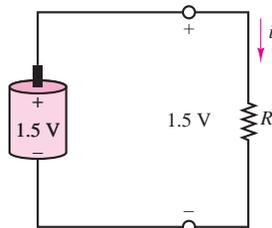


Figure 2.32

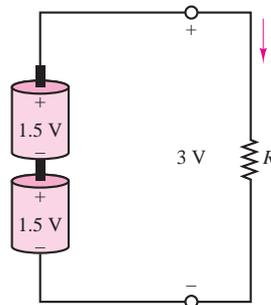


Figure 2.33

**Analysis:** We first need to obtain an expression for resistor power dissipation as a function of its resistance. We know that  $P = VI$  and that  $V = IR$ . Thus, the power dissipated by any resistor is

$$P_R = V \times I = V \times \frac{V}{R} = \frac{V^2}{R}$$

Since the maximum allowable power dissipation is 0.25 W, we can write  $V^2/R \leq 0.25$ , or  $R \geq V^2/0.25$ . Thus, for a 1.5-V battery, the minimum size resistor will be  $R = 1.5^2/0.25 = 9 \Omega$ . For a 3-V battery the minimum size resistor will be  $R = 3^2/0.25 = 36 \Omega$ .

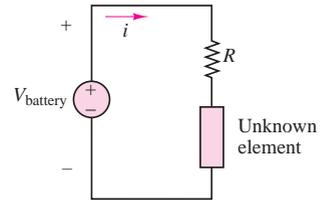
**Comments:** Sizing resistors on the basis of power rating is very important in practice. Note how the minimum resistor size quadrupled as we doubled the voltage across it. This is because power increases as the square of the voltage. Remember that exceeding power ratings will inevitably lead to resistor failure!

### CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

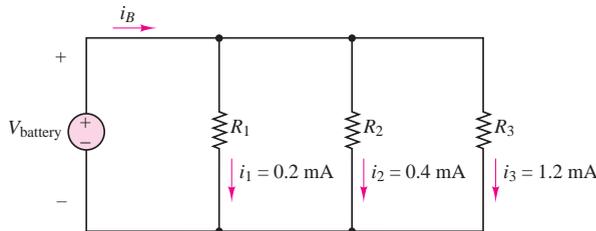
A typical electronic power supply provides  $\pm 12$  V. What is the size of the smallest  $\frac{1}{4}$ -W resistor that could be placed across (in parallel with) the power supply? (*Hint:* You may think of the supply as a 24-V supply.)

The circuit in the accompanying illustration contains a battery, a resistor, and an unknown circuit element.

1. If the voltage  $V_{\text{battery}}$  is 1.45 V and  $i = 5$  mA, find power supplied to or by the battery.
2. Repeat part 1 if  $i = -2$  mA.



The battery in the accompanying circuit supplies power to resistors  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ , and  $R_3$ . Use KCL to determine the current  $i_B$ , and find the power supplied by the battery if  $V_{\text{battery}} = 3$  V.

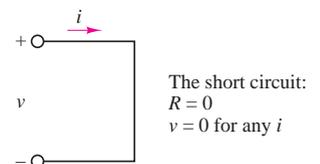


Answers:  $2.304 \Omega$ ;  $P_1 = 7.25 \times 10^{-3}$  W (supplied by);  $P_2 = 2.9 \times 10^{-3}$  W (supplied to);  $i_B = 1.8$  mA;  $P_B = 5.4$  mW

### Open and Short Circuits

Two convenient idealizations of the resistance element are provided by the limiting cases of Ohm's law as the resistance of a circuit element approaches zero or infinity. A circuit element with resistance approaching zero is called a **short circuit**. Intuitively, we would expect a short circuit to allow for unimpeded flow of current. In fact, metallic conductors (e.g., short wires of large diameter) approximate the behavior of a short circuit. Formally, a *short circuit* is defined as a circuit element across which the voltage is zero, regardless of the current flowing through it. Figure 2.34 depicts the circuit symbol for an ideal short circuit.

Physically, any wire or other metallic conductor will exhibit some resistance, though small. For practical purposes, however, many elements approximate a short circuit quite accurately under certain conditions. For example, a large-diameter copper pipe is effectively a short circuit in the context of a residential electric power supply,



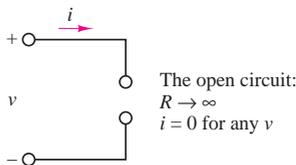
**Figure 2.34** The short circuit

while in a low-power microelectronic circuit (e.g., an FM radio) a short length of 24-gauge wire (refer to Table 2.3 for the resistance of 24-gauge wire) is a more than adequate short circuit. Table 2.3 summarizes the resistance for a given length of some commonly used gauges of electrical wire. Additional information on **American Wire Gauge Standards** may be found on the Internet.

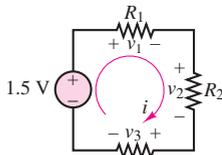


**Table 2.3** Resistance of copper wire

AWG size	Number of strands	Diameter per strand (in)	Resistance per 1,000 ft ( $\Omega$ )
24	Solid	0.0201	28.4
24	7	0.0080	28.4
22	Solid	0.0254	18.0
22	7	0.0100	19.0
20	Solid	0.0320	11.3
20	7	0.0126	11.9
18	Solid	0.0403	7.2
18	7	0.0159	7.5
16	Solid	0.0508	4.5
16	19	0.0113	4.7
14	Solid	0.0641	2.52
12	Solid	0.0808	1.62
10	Solid	0.1019	1.02
8	Solid	0.1285	0.64
6	Solid	0.1620	0.4
4	Solid	0.2043	0.25
2	Solid	0.2576	0.16

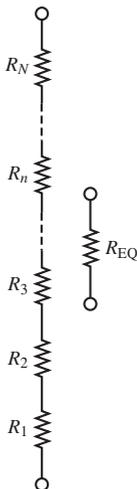


**Figure 2.35** The open circuit



The current  $i$  flows through each of the four series elements. Thus, by KVL,

$$1.5 = v_1 + v_2 + v_3$$



$N$  series resistors are equivalent to a single resistor equal to the sum of the individual resistances.

**Figure 2.36**

A circuit element whose resistance approaches infinity is called an **open circuit**. Intuitively, we would expect no current to flow through an open circuit, since it offers infinite resistance to any current. In an open circuit, we would expect to see zero current regardless of the externally applied voltage. Figure 2.35 illustrates this idea.

In practice, it is not too difficult to approximate an open circuit: Any break in continuity in a conducting path amounts to an open circuit. The idealization of the open circuit, as defined in Figure 2.35, does not hold, however, for very high voltages. The insulating material between two insulated terminals will break down at a sufficiently high voltage. If the insulator is air, ionized particles in the neighborhood of the two conducting elements may lead to the phenomenon of arcing; in other words, a pulse of current may be generated that momentarily jumps a gap between conductors (thanks to this principle, we are able to ignite the air-fuel mixture in a spark-ignition internal combustion engine by means of spark plugs). The ideal open and short circuits are useful concepts and find extensive use in circuit analysis.

## Series Resistors and the Voltage Divider Rule

Although electric circuits can take rather complicated forms, even the most involved circuits can be reduced to combinations of circuit elements *in parallel* and *in series*. Thus, it is important that you become acquainted with parallel and series circuits as early as possible, even before formally approaching the topic of network analysis. Parallel and series circuits have a direct relationship with Kirchhoff's laws. The objective of this section and the next is to illustrate two common circuits based on series and parallel combinations of resistors: the voltage and current dividers. These topics form the basis of all network analysis; it is therefore important to master these topics as early as possible.

For an example of a series circuit, refer to the circuit of Figure 2.36, where a battery has been connected to resistors  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ , and  $R_3$ . The following definition applies:

**Definition**

Two or more circuit elements are said to be **in series** if the current from one element exclusively flows into the next element. From KCL, it then follows that all series elements have the same current.



By applying KVL, you can verify that the sum of the voltages across the three resistors equals the voltage externally provided by the battery

$$1.5 \text{ V} = v_1 + v_2 + v_3$$

And since, according to Ohm's law, the separate voltages can be expressed by the relations

$$v_1 = iR_1 \quad v_2 = iR_2 \quad v_3 = iR_3$$

we can therefore write

$$1.5 \text{ V} = i(R_1 + R_2 + R_3)$$

This simple result illustrates a very important principle: To the battery, the three series resistors appear as a single equivalent resistance of value  $R_{\text{EQ}}$ , where

$$R_{\text{EQ}} = R_1 + R_2 + R_3$$

The three resistors could thus be replaced by a single resistor of value  $R_{\text{EQ}}$  without changing the amount of current required of the battery. From this result we may extrapolate to the more general relationship defining the equivalent resistance of  $N$  series resistors

$$R_{\text{EQ}} = \sum_{n=1}^N R_n \quad \text{Equivalent series resistance} \quad (2.19)$$

which is also illustrated in Figure 2.36. A concept very closely tied to series resistors is that of the **voltage divider**. This terminology originates from the observation that the source voltage in the circuit of Figure 2.36 divides among the three resistors according to KVL. If we now observe that the series current  $i$  is given by

$$i = \frac{1.5 \text{ V}}{R_{\text{EQ}}} = \frac{1.5 \text{ V}}{R_1 + R_2 + R_3}$$

we can write each of the voltages across the resistors as:

$$v_1 = iR_1 = \frac{R_1}{R_{\text{EQ}}}(1.5 \text{ V})$$

$$v_2 = iR_2 = \frac{R_2}{R_{\text{EQ}}}(1.5 \text{ V})$$

$$v_3 = iR_3 = \frac{R_3}{R_{\text{EQ}}}(1.5 \text{ V})$$

That is,



The voltage across each resistor in a series circuit divides in direct proportion to the individual series resistances.

An instructive exercise consists of verifying that KVL is still satisfied, by adding the voltage drops around the circuit and equating their sum to the source voltage:

$$v_1 + v_2 + v_3 = \frac{R_1}{R_{EQ}}(1.5 \text{ V}) + \frac{R_2}{R_{EQ}}(1.5 \text{ V}) + \frac{R_3}{R_{EQ}}(1.5 \text{ V}) = 1.5 \text{ V}$$

since  $R_{EQ} = R_1 + R_2 + R_3$

Therefore, since KVL is satisfied, we are certain that the voltage divider rule is consistent with Kirchhoff's laws. By virtue of the voltage divider rule, then, we can always determine the proportion in which voltage drops are distributed around a circuit. This result is useful in reducing complicated circuits to simpler forms. The general form of the voltage divider rule for a circuit with  $N$  series resistors and a voltage source is



$$v_n = \frac{R_n}{R_1 + R_2 + \cdots + R_n + \cdots + R_N} v_S \quad \text{Voltage divider} \quad (2.20)$$



### EXAMPLE 2.11 Voltage Divider

#### Problem

Determine the voltage  $v_3$  in the circuit of Figure 2.37.

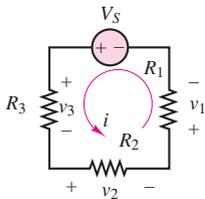


Figure 2.37

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Source voltage; resistance values.

**Find:** Unknown voltage  $v_3$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $R_1 = 10 \Omega$ ;  $R_2 = 6 \Omega$ ;  $R_3 = 8 \Omega$ ;  $V_S = 3 \text{ V}$ . Figure 2.37.

**Analysis:** Figure 2.37 indicates a reference direction for the current (dictated by the polarity of the voltage source). Following the passive sign convention, we label the polarities of the three resistors, and apply KVL to determine that

$$V_S - v_1 - v_2 - v_3 = 0$$

The voltage divider rule tells us that

$$v_3 = V_S \times \frac{R_3}{R_1 + R_2 + R_3} = 3 \times \frac{8}{10 + 6 + 8} = 1 \text{ V}$$

**Comments:** Application of the voltage divider rule to a series circuit is very straightforward. The difficulty usually arises in determining whether a circuit is in fact a series circuit. This point is explored later in this section, and in Example 2.13.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Repeat Example 2.11 by reversing the reference direction of the current, to show that the same result is obtained.

## Parallel Resistors and the Current Divider Rule

A concept analogous to that of the voltage divider may be developed by applying Kirchhoff's current law to a circuit containing only parallel resistances.

### Definition

Two or more circuit elements are said to be **in parallel** if the elements share the same terminals. From KVL, it follows that the elements will have the same voltage.



Figure 2.38 illustrates the notion of parallel resistors connected to an ideal current source. Kirchhoff's current law requires that the sum of the currents into, say, the top node of the circuit be zero:

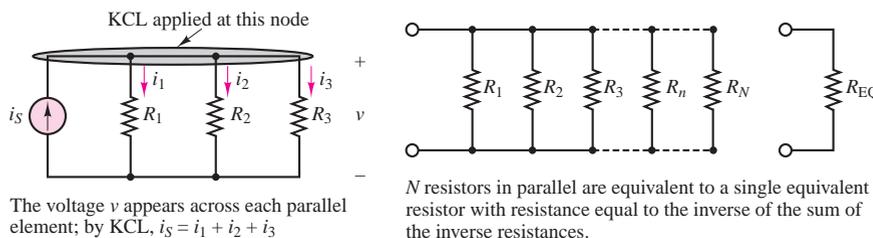
$$i_S = i_1 + i_2 + i_3$$

But by virtue of Ohm's law we may express each current as follows:

$$i_1 = \frac{v}{R_1} \quad i_2 = \frac{v}{R_2} \quad i_3 = \frac{v}{R_3}$$

since, by definition, the same voltage  $v$  appears across each element. Kirchhoff's current law may then be restated as follows:

$$i_S = v \left( \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} + \frac{1}{R_3} \right)$$



**Figure 2.38** Parallel circuits

Note that this equation can be also written in terms of a single equivalent resistance

$$i_S = v \frac{1}{R_{\text{EQ}}}$$

where 
$$\frac{1}{R_{\text{EQ}}} = \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} + \frac{1}{R_3}$$

As illustrated in Figure 2.38, we can generalize this result to an arbitrary number of resistors connected in parallel by stating that  $N$  resistors in parallel act as a single equivalent resistance  $R_{\text{EQ}}$  given by the expression

$$\frac{1}{R_{\text{EQ}}} = \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} + \cdots + \frac{1}{R_N} \quad (2.21)$$

or 
$$R_{\text{EQ}} = \frac{1}{1/R_1 + 1/R_2 + \cdots + 1/R_N} \quad \text{Equivalent parallel resistance} \quad (2.22)$$

Very often in the remainder of this book we refer to the parallel combination of two or more resistors with the notation

$$R_1 \parallel R_2 \parallel \cdots$$

where the symbol  $\parallel$  signifies “in parallel with.”

From the results shown in equations 2.21 and 2.22, which were obtained directly from KCL, the **current divider rule** can be easily derived. Consider, again, the three-resistor circuit of Figure 2.38. From the expressions already derived from each of the currents  $i_1$ ,  $i_2$ , and  $i_3$ , we can write

$$i_1 = \frac{v}{R_1} \quad i_2 = \frac{v}{R_2} \quad i_3 = \frac{v}{R_3}$$

and since  $v = R_{\text{EQ}}i_S$ , these currents may be expressed by

$$i_1 = \frac{R_{\text{EQ}}}{R_1} i_S = \frac{1/R_1}{1/R_{\text{EQ}}} i_S = \frac{1/R_1}{1/R_1 + 1/R_2 + 1/R_3} i_S$$

$$i_2 = \frac{1/R_2}{1/R_1 + 1/R_2 + 1/R_3} i_S$$

$$i_3 = \frac{1/R_3}{1/R_1 + 1/R_2 + 1/R_3} i_S$$

We can easily see that the current in a parallel circuit divides in inverse proportion to the resistances of the individual parallel elements. The general expression for the current divider for a circuit with  $N$  parallel resistors is the following:



$$i_n = \frac{1/R_n}{1/R_1 + 1/R_2 + \cdots + 1/R_n + \cdots + 1/R_N} i_S \quad \text{Current divider} \quad (2.23)$$

Example 2.12 illustrates the application of the current divider rule.

**EXAMPLE 2.12 Current Divider****Problem**

Determine the current  $i_1$  in the circuit of Figure 2.39.

**Solution**

**Known Quantities:** Source current; resistance values.

**Find:** Unknown current  $i_1$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $R_1 = 10\ \Omega$ ;  $R_2 = 2\ \Omega$ ;  $R_3 = 20\ \Omega$ ;  $I_S = 4\ \text{A}$ . Figure 2.39.

**Analysis:** Application of the current divider rule yields

$$i_1 = I_S \times \frac{1/R_1}{1/R_1 + 1/R_2 + 1/R_3} = 4 \times \frac{\frac{1}{10}}{\frac{1}{10} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{20}} = 0.6154\ \text{A}$$

**Comments:** While application of the current divider rule to a parallel circuit is very straightforward, it is sometimes not so obvious whether two or more resistors are actually in parallel. A method for ensuring that circuit elements are connected in parallel is explored later in this section, and in Example 2.13.

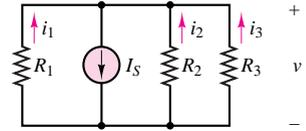


Figure 2.39

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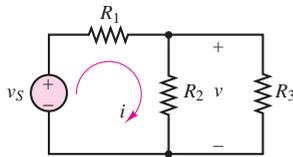
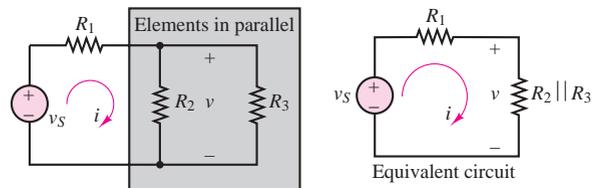
Verify that KCL is satisfied by the current divider rule and that the source current  $i_S$  divides in inverse proportion to the parallel resistors  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ , and  $R_3$  in the circuit of Figure 2.39. (This should not be a surprise, since we would expect to see more current flow through the smaller resistance.)

Much of the resistive network analysis that is presented in Chapter 3 is based on the simple principles of voltage and current dividers introduced in this section. Unfortunately, practical circuits are rarely composed of only parallel or only series elements. The following examples and Check Your Understanding exercises illustrate some simple and slightly more advanced circuits that combine parallel and series elements.

**EXAMPLE 2.13 Series-Parallel Circuit****Problem**

Determine the voltage  $v$  in the circuit of Figure 2.40.



**Solution****Known Quantities:** Source voltage; resistance values.**Find:** Unknown voltage  $v$ .**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:** See Figures 2.40, 2.41.**Figure 2.40****Figure 2.41****Analysis:** The circuit of Figure 2.40 is neither a series nor a parallel circuit because the following two conditions do not apply:

1. The current through all resistors is the same (series circuit condition).
2. The voltage across all resistors is the same (parallel circuit condition).

The circuit takes a much simpler appearance once it becomes evident that the same voltage appears across both  $R_2$  and  $R_3$  and, therefore, that these elements are in parallel. If these two resistors are replaced by a single equivalent resistor according to the procedures described in this section, the circuit of Figure 2.41 is obtained. Note that now the equivalent circuit is a simple series circuit, and the voltage divider rule can be applied to determine that

$$v = \frac{R_2 \parallel R_3}{R_1 + R_2 \parallel R_3} v_S$$

while the current is found to be

$$i = \frac{v_S}{R_1 + R_2 \parallel R_3}$$

**Comments:** Systematic methods for analyzing arbitrary circuit configurations are explored in Chapter 3.**CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING**

Consider the circuit of Figure 2.40, without resistor  $R_3$ . Calculate the value of the voltage  $v$  if the source voltage is  $v_S = 5$  V and  $R_1 = R_2 = 1$  k $\Omega$ .

Repeat when resistor  $R_3$  is in the circuit and its value is  $R_3 = 1$  k $\Omega$ .

Repeat when resistor  $R_3$  is in the circuit and its value is  $R_3 = 0.1$  k $\Omega$ .

Answers:  $v = 2.50$  V;  $v = 1.67$  V;  $v = 0.4167$  V

**EXAMPLE 2.14 The Wheatstone Bridge****Problem**

The **Wheatstone bridge** is a resistive circuit that is frequently encountered in a variety of measurement circuits. The general form of the bridge circuit is shown in Figure 2.42(a), where  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ , and  $R_3$  are known while  $R_x$  is an unknown resistance, to be determined. The circuit may also be redrawn as shown in Figure 2.42(b). The latter circuit is used to demonstrate the voltage divider rule in a mixed series-parallel circuit. The objective is to determine the unknown resistance  $R_x$ .

1. Find the value of the voltage  $v_{ab} = v_{ad} - v_{bd}$  in terms of the four resistances and the source voltage  $v_S$ . Note that since the reference point  $d$  is the same for both voltages, we can also write  $v_{ab} = v_a - v_b$ .
2. If  $R_1 = R_2 = R_3 = 1 \text{ k}\Omega$ ,  $v_S = 12 \text{ V}$ , and  $v_{ab} = 12 \text{ mV}$ , what is the value of  $R_x$ ?

**Solution**

**Known Quantities:** Source voltage; resistance values; bridge voltage.

**Find:** Unknown resistance  $R_x$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:** See Figure 2.42.

$R_1 = R_2 = R_3 = 1 \text{ k}\Omega$ ;  $v_S = 12 \text{ V}$ ;  $v_{ab} = 12 \text{ mV}$ .

**Analysis:**

1. First we observe that the circuit consists of the parallel combination of three subcircuits: the voltage source, the series combination of  $R_1$  and  $R_2$ , and the series combination of  $R_3$  and  $R_x$ . Since these three subcircuits are in parallel, the same voltage will appear across each of them, namely, the source voltage  $v_S$ .

Thus, the source voltage divides between each resistor pair  $R_1 - R_2$  and  $R_3 - R_x$  according to the voltage divider rule:  $v_{ad}$  is the fraction of the source voltage appearing across  $R_2$ , while  $v_{bd}$  is the voltage appearing across  $R_x$ :

$$v_{ad} = v_S \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} \quad \text{and} \quad v_{bd} = v_S \frac{R_x}{R_3 + R_x}$$

Finally, the voltage difference between points  $a$  and  $b$  is given by

$$v_{ab} = v_{ad} - v_{bd} = v_S \left( \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} - \frac{R_x}{R_3 + R_x} \right)$$

This result is very useful and quite general.

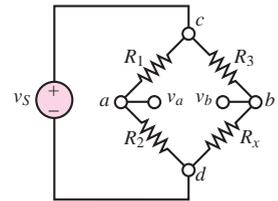
2. To solve for the unknown resistance, we substitute the numerical values in the preceding equation to obtain

$$0.012 = 12 \left( \frac{1,000}{2,000} - \frac{R_x}{1,000 + R_x} \right)$$

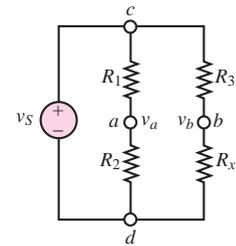
which may be solved for  $R_x$  to yield

$$R_x = 996 \Omega$$

**Comments:** The Wheatstone bridge finds application in many measurement circuits and instruments.



(a)



(b)

**Figure 2.42** Wheatstone bridge circuits

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Use the results of part 1 of Example 2.14 to find the condition for which the voltage  $v_{ab} = v_a - v_b$  is equal to zero (this is called the balanced condition for the bridge). Does this result necessarily require that all four resistors be identical? Why?

Answer:  $R_1R_3 = R_2R_4$



### EXAMPLE 2.15 Resistance Strain Gauges

Another common application of the resistance concept to engineering measurements is the resistance **strain gauge**. Strain gauges are devices that are bonded to the surface of an object, and whose resistance varies as a function of the surface strain experienced by the object. Strain gauges may be used to perform measurements of strain, stress, force, torque, and pressure. Recall that the resistance of a cylindrical conductor of cross-sectional area  $A$ , length  $L$ , and conductivity  $\sigma$  is given by the expression

$$R = \frac{L}{\sigma A}$$

If the conductor is compressed or elongated as a consequence of an external force, its dimensions will change, and with them its resistance. In particular, if the conductor is stretched, its cross-sectional area decreases and the resistance increases. If the conductor is compressed, its resistance decreases, since the length  $L$  decreases. The relationship between change in resistance and change in length is given by the gauge factor  $GF$ , defined by

$$GF = \frac{\Delta R/R}{\Delta L/L}$$

And since the *strain*  $\epsilon$  is defined as the fractional change in length of an object by the formula

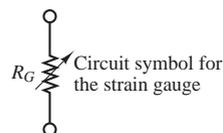
$$\epsilon = \frac{\Delta L}{L}$$

the change in resistance due to an applied strain  $\epsilon$  is given by

$$\Delta R = R_0 GF \epsilon$$

where  $R_0$  is the resistance of the strain gauge under no strain and is called the *zero strain resistance*. The value of  $GF$  for resistance strain gauges made of metal foil is usually about 2.

Figure 2.43 depicts a typical foil strain gauge. The maximum strain that can be measured by a foil gauge is about 0.4 to 0.5 percent; that is,  $\Delta L/L = 0.004 - 0.005$ . For a 120- $\Omega$  gauge, this



The foil is formed by a photo-etching process and is less than 0.00002 in thick. Typical resistance values are 120, 350, and 1,000  $\Omega$ . The wide areas are bonding pads for electrical connections.

**Figure 2.43** Metal-foil resistance strain gauge.

corresponds to a change in resistance on the order of 0.96 to 1.2  $\Omega$ . Although this change in resistance is very small, it can be detected by means of suitable circuitry. Resistance strain gauges are usually connected in a circuit called the Wheatstone bridge, which we analyze later in this chapter.

**Comments**—Resistance strain gauges find application in many measurement circuits and instruments. The measurement of force is one such application, shown next.

### EXAMPLE 2.16 The Wheatstone Bridge and Force Measurements

Strain gauges are frequently employed in the measurement of force. One of the simplest applications of strain gauges is in the measurement of the force applied to a cantilever beam, as illustrated in Figure 2.44. Four strain gauges are employed in this case, of which two are bonded to the upper surface of the beam at a distance  $L$  from the point where the external force  $F$  is applied and two are bonded on the lower surface, also at a distance  $L$ . Under the influence of the external force, the beam deforms and causes the upper gauges to extend and the lower gauges to compress. Thus, the resistance of the upper gauges will increase by an amount  $\Delta R$ , and that of the lower gauges will decrease by an equal amount, assuming that the gauges are symmetrically placed. Let  $R_1$  and  $R_4$  be the upper gauges and  $R_2$  and  $R_3$  the lower gauges. Thus, under the influence of the external force, we have

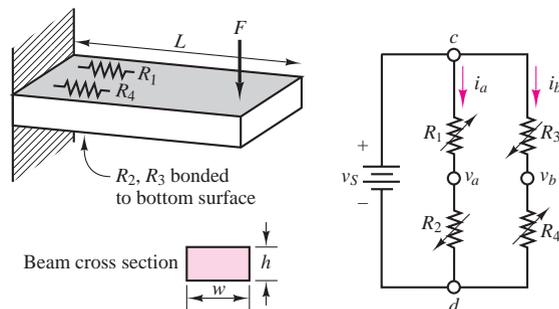
$$R_1 = R_4 = R_0 + \Delta R$$

$$R_2 = R_3 = R_0 - \Delta R$$

where  $R_0$  is the zero strain resistance of the gauges. It can be shown from elementary statics that the relationship between the strain  $\epsilon$  and a force  $F$  applied at a distance  $L$  for a cantilever beam is

$$\epsilon = \frac{6LF}{wh^2Y}$$

where  $h$  and  $w$  are as defined in Figure 2.44 and  $Y$  is the beam's modulus of elasticity.



**Figure 2.44** A force-measuring instrument.

In the circuit of Figure 2.44, the currents  $i_a$  and  $i_b$  are given by

$$i_a = \frac{v_S}{R_1 + R_2} \quad \text{and} \quad i_b = \frac{v_S}{R_3 + R_4}$$

The bridge output voltage is defined by  $v_o = v_b - v_a$  and may be found from the following expression:

$$\begin{aligned} v_o &= i_b R_4 - i_a R_2 = \frac{v_S R_4}{R_3 + R_4} - \frac{v_S R_2}{R_1 + R_2} \\ &= v_S \frac{R_0 + \Delta R}{R_0 + \Delta R + R_0 - \Delta R} - v_S \frac{R_0 - \Delta R}{R_0 + \Delta R + R_0 - \Delta R} \\ &= v_S \frac{\Delta R}{R_0} = v_S GF \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

where the expression for  $\Delta R/R_0$  was obtained in Example 2.15. Thus, it is possible to obtain a relationship between the output voltage of the bridge circuit and the force  $F$  as follows:

$$v_o = v_S GF \epsilon = v_S GF \frac{6LF}{wh^2Y} = \frac{6v_S GFL}{wh^2Y} F = kF$$

where  $k$  is the calibration constant for this force transducer.



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**Comments—Strain gauge bridges** are commonly used in mechanical, chemical, aerospace, biomedical, and civil engineering applications (and wherever measurements of force, pressure, torque, stress, or strain are sought).

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Compute the full-scale (i.e., largest) output voltage for the force-measuring apparatus of “Focus on Measurements: The Wheatstone Bridge and Force Measurements.” Assume that the strain gauge bridge is to measure forces ranging from 0 to 500 newtons (N),  $L = 0.3$  m,  $w = 0.05$  m,  $h = 0.01$  m,  $GF = 2$ , and the modulus of elasticity for the beam is  $69 \times 10^9$  N/m<sup>2</sup> (aluminum). The source voltage is 12 V. What is the calibration constant of this force transducer?

Answer:  $v_o$  (full scale) = 62.6 mV;  $k = 0.125$  mV/N

## 2.7 PRACTICAL VOLTAGE AND CURRENT SOURCES

The idealized models of voltage and current sources we discussed in Section 2.1 fail to consider the internal resistance of practical voltage and current sources. The objective of this section is to extend the ideal models to models that are capable of describing the physical limitations of the voltage and current sources used in practice. Consider, for example, the model of an ideal voltage source shown in Figure 2.1. As the load resistance  $R$  decreases, the source is required to provide increasing amounts of current to maintain the voltage  $v_S(t)$  across its terminals:

$$i(t) = \frac{v_S(t)}{R} \quad (2.24)$$

This circuit suggests that the ideal voltage source is required to provide an infinite amount of current to the load, in the limit as the load resistance approaches zero. Naturally, you can see that this is impossible; for example, think about the ratings of a conventional car battery: 12 V, 450 ampere-hours (A-h). This implies that there is a limit (albeit a large one) to the amount of current a practical source can deliver to

a load. Fortunately, it is not necessary to delve too deeply into the physical nature of each type of source to describe the behavior of a practical voltage source: The limitations of practical sources can be approximated quite simply by exploiting the notion of the internal resistance of a source. Although the models described in this section are only approximations of the actual behavior of energy sources, they will provide good insight into the limitations of practical voltage and current sources. Figure 2.45 depicts a model for a practical voltage source, composed of an ideal voltage source  $v_S$  in series with a resistance  $r_S$ . The resistance  $r_S$  in effect poses a limit to the maximum current the voltage source can provide:

$$i_{S \max} = \frac{v_S}{r_S} \tag{2.25}$$

Typically,  $r_S$  is small. Note, however, that its presence affects the voltage across the load resistance: Now this voltage is no longer equal to the source voltage. Since the current provided by the source is

$$i_S = \frac{v_S}{r_S + R_L} \tag{2.26}$$

the load voltage can be determined to be

$$v_L = i_S R_L = v_S \frac{R_L}{r_S + R_L} \tag{2.27}$$

Thus, in the limit as the source internal resistance  $r_S$  approaches zero, the load voltage  $v_L$  becomes exactly equal to the source voltage. It should be apparent that a desirable feature of an ideal voltage source is a very small internal resistance, so that the current requirements of an arbitrary load may be satisfied. Often, the effective internal resistance of a voltage source is quoted in the technical specifications for the source, so that the user may take this parameter into account.

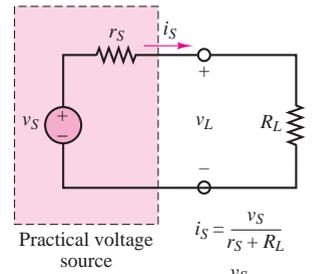
A similar modification of the ideal current source model is useful to describe the behavior of a practical current source. The circuit illustrated in Figure 2.46 depicts a simple representation of a practical current source, consisting of an ideal source in parallel with a resistor. Note that as the load resistance approaches infinity (i.e., an open circuit), the output voltage of the current source approaches its limit

$$v_{S \max} = i_S r_S \tag{2.28}$$

A good current source should be able to approximate the behavior of an ideal current source. Therefore, a desirable characteristic for the internal resistance of a current source is that it be as large as possible.

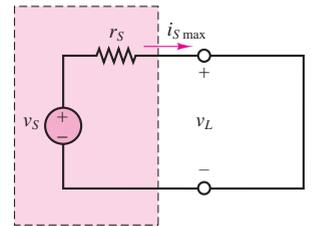
## 2.8 MEASURING DEVICES

In this section, you should gain a basic understanding of the desirable properties of practical devices for the measurement of electrical parameters. The measurements most often of interest are those of current, voltage, power, and resistance. In analogy with the models we have just developed to describe the nonideal behavior of voltage and current sources, we similarly present circuit models for practical measuring instruments suitable for describing the nonideal properties of these devices.



$$i_S = \frac{v_S}{r_S + R_L}$$

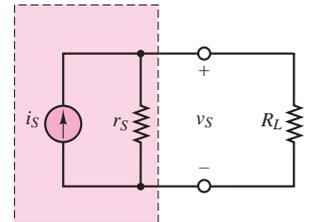
$$\lim_{R_L \rightarrow 0} i_S = \frac{v_S}{r_S}$$



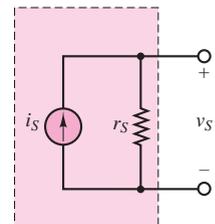
The maximum (short circuit) current which can be supplied by a practical voltage source is

$$i_{S \max} = \frac{v_S}{r_S}$$

**Figure 2.45** Practical voltage source



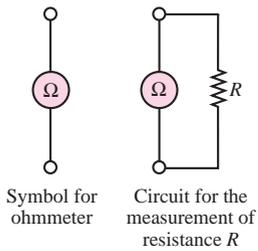
A model for practical current sources consists of an ideal source in parallel with an internal resistance.



Maximum output voltage for practical current source with open-circuit load:

$$v_{S \max} = i_S r_S$$

**Figure 2.46** Practical current source



**Figure 2.47** Ohmmeter and measurement of resistance

## The Ohmmeter

The **ohmmeter** is a device that when connected across a circuit element, can measure the resistance of the element. Figure 2.47 depicts the circuit connection of an ohmmeter to a resistor. One important rule needs to be remembered:

The resistance of an element can be measured only when the element is disconnected from any other circuit.

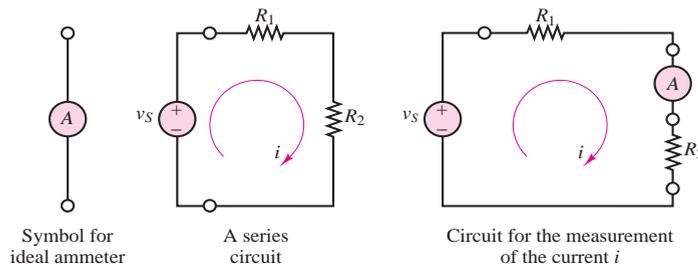


## The Ammeter

The **ammeter** is a device that when connected in series with a circuit element, can measure the current flowing through the element. Figure 2.48 illustrates this idea. From Figure 2.48, two requirements are evident for obtaining a correct measurement of current:



1. The ammeter must be placed in series with the element whose current is to be measured (e.g., resistor  $R_2$ ).
2. The ammeter should not restrict the flow of current (i.e., cause a voltage drop), or else it will not be measuring the true current flowing in the circuit. *An ideal ammeter has zero internal resistance.*



**Figure 2.48** Measurement of current

## The Voltmeter

The **voltmeter** is a device that can measure the voltage across a circuit element. Since voltage is the difference in potential between two points in a circuit, the voltmeter needs to be connected across the element whose voltage we wish to measure. A voltmeter must also fulfill two requirements:



1. The voltmeter must be placed in parallel with the element whose voltage it is measuring.
2. The voltmeter should draw no current away from the element whose voltage it is measuring, or else it will not be measuring the true voltage across that element. Thus, *an ideal voltmeter has infinite internal resistance.*

Figure 2.49 illustrates these two points.

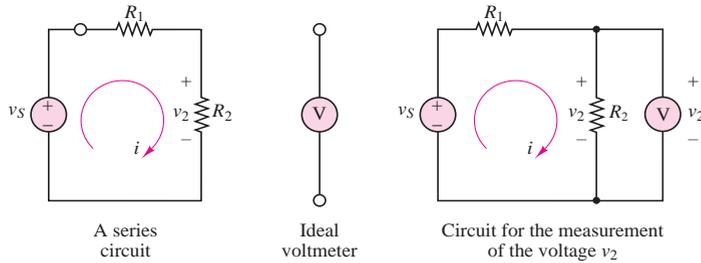


Figure 2.49 Measurement of voltage

Once again, the definitions just stated for the ideal voltmeter and ammeter need to be augmented by considering the practical limitations of the devices. A practical ammeter will contribute some series resistance to the circuit in which it is measuring current; a practical voltmeter will not act as an ideal open circuit but will always draw some current from the measured circuit. The homework problems verify that these practical restrictions do not necessarily pose a limit to the accuracy of the measurements obtainable with practical measuring devices, as long as the internal resistance of the measuring devices is known. Figure 2.50 depicts the circuit models for the practical ammeter and voltmeter.

All the considerations that pertain to practical ammeters and voltmeters can be applied to the operation of a **wattmeter**, an instrument that provides a measurement of the power dissipated by a circuit element, since the wattmeter is in effect made up of a combination of a voltmeter and an ammeter. Figure 2.51 depicts the typical connection of a wattmeter in the same series circuit used in the preceding paragraphs. In effect, the wattmeter measures the current flowing through the load and, simultaneously, the voltage across it and multiplies the two to provide a reading of the power dissipated by the load. The internal power consumption of a practical wattmeter is explored in the homework problems.

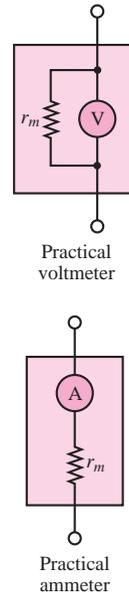


Figure 2.50 Models for practical ammeter and voltmeter

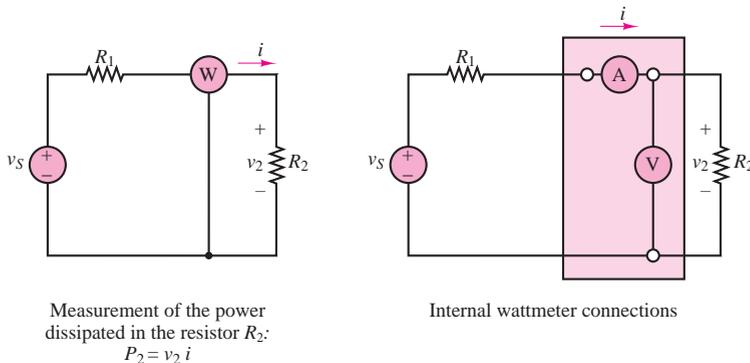


Figure 2.51 Measurement of power

## Conclusion

The objective of this chapter was to introduce the background needed in the following chapters for the analysis of linear resistive circuits. The following outlines the principal learning objectives of the chapter.

1. *Identify the principal elements of electric circuits: nodes, loops, meshes, branches, and voltage and current sources.* These elements will be common to all electric circuits analyzed in the book.
2. *Apply Ohm's and Kirchhoff's laws to simple electric circuits and derive the basic circuit equations.* Mastery of these laws is essential to writing the correct equations for electric circuits.
3. *Apply the passive sign convention and compute the power dissipated by circuit elements.* The passive sign convention is a fundamental skill needed to derive the correct equations for an electric circuit.
4. *Apply the voltage and current divider laws to calculate unknown variables in simple series, parallel, and series-parallel circuits.* The chapter includes examples of practical circuits to demonstrate the application of these principles.
5. *Understand the rules for connecting electric measuring instruments to electric circuits for the measurement of voltage, current, and power.* Practical engineering measurement systems are introduced in these sections.

## HOMEWORK PROBLEMS

### Section 2.1: Definitions

**2.1** An isolated free electron is traveling through an electric field from some initial point where its coulombic potential energy per unit charge (*voltage*) is 17 kJ/C and velocity = 93 Mm/s to some final point where its coulombic potential energy per unit charge is 6 kJ/C. Determine the change in velocity of the electron. Neglect gravitational forces.

**2.2** The unit used for voltage is the volt, for current the ampere, and for resistance the ohm. Using the definitions of voltage, current, and resistance, express each quantity in SI units.

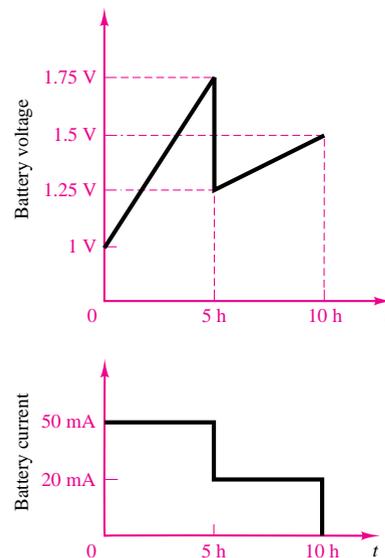
**2.3** The capacity of a car battery is usually specified in ampere-hours. A battery rated at, say, 100 A-h should be able to supply 100 A for 1 h, 50 A for 2 h, 25 A for 4 h, 1 A for 100 h, or any other combination yielding a product of 100 A-h.

- a. How many coulombs of charge should we be able to draw from a fully charged 100 A-h battery?
- b. How many electrons does your answer to part a require?

**2.4** The charge cycle shown in Figure P2.4 is an example of a *two-rate charge*. The current is held constant at 50 mA for 5 h. Then it is switched to 20 mA for the next 5 h. Find:

- a. The total charge transferred to the battery.
- b. The energy transferred to the battery.

*Hint:* Recall that energy  $w$  is the integral of power, or  $P = dw/dt$ .



**Figure P2.4**

**2.5** Batteries (e.g., lead-acid batteries) store chemical energy and convert it to electric energy on demand.

Batteries do not store electric charge or charge carriers. Charge carriers (electrons) enter one terminal of the battery, acquire electrical potential energy, and exit from the other terminal at a lower voltage. Remember the electron has a negative charge! It is convenient to think of positive carriers flowing in the opposite direction, that is, conventional current, and exiting at a higher voltage. All currents in this course, unless otherwise stated, are conventional current. (Benjamin Franklin caused this mess!) For a battery with a rated voltage = 12 V and a rated capacity = 350 A-h, determine

- The rated chemical energy stored in the battery.
- The total charge that can be supplied at the rated voltage.

**2.6** What determines the following?

- How much current is supplied (at a constant voltage) by an ideal voltage source.
- How much voltage is supplied (at a constant current) by an ideal current source.

**2.7** An automotive battery is rated at 120 A-h. This means that under certain test conditions it can output 1 A at 12 V for 120 h (under other test conditions, the battery may have other ratings).

- How much total energy is stored in the battery?
- If the headlights are left on overnight (8 h), how much energy will still be stored in the battery in the morning? (Assume a 150-W total power rating for both headlights together.)

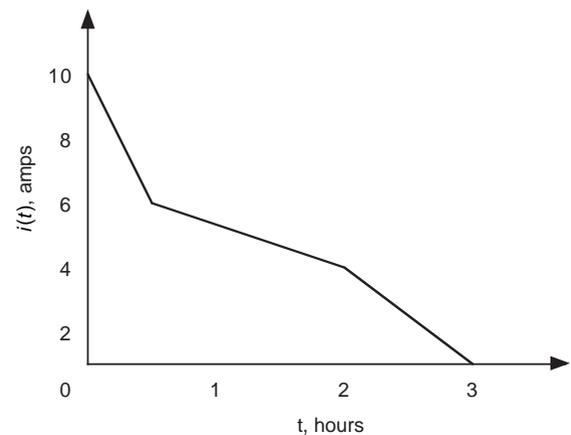
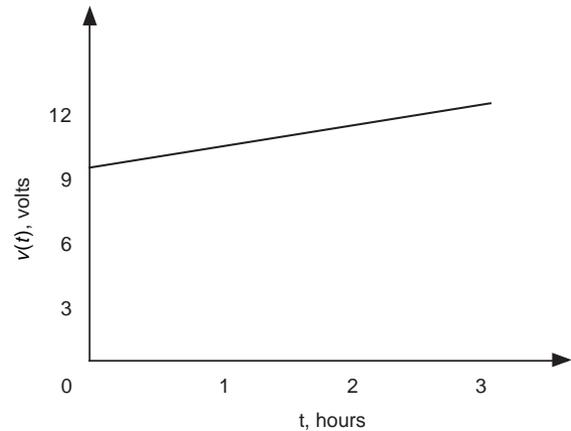
**2.8** A car battery kept in storage in the basement needs recharging. If the voltage and the current provided by the charger during a charge cycle are shown in Figure P2.8,

- Find the total charge transferred to the battery.
- Find the total energy transferred to the battery.

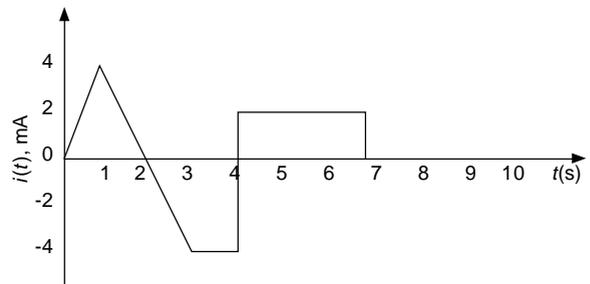
**2.9** Suppose the current flowing through a wire is given by the curve shown in Figure P2.9.

- Find the amount of charge,  $q$ , that flows through the wire between  $t_1 = 0$  and  $t_2 = 1$  s.
- Repeat part a for  $t_2 = 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9$ , and 10 s.
- Sketch  $q(t)$  for  $0 \leq t \leq 10$  s.

**2.10** The charging scheme used in Figure P2.10 is an example of a constant-voltage charge with current limit. The charger voltage is such that the current into the battery does not exceed 100 mA, as shown in Figure P2.10. The charger's voltage increases to the



**Figure P2.8**



**Figure P2.9**

maximum of 9 V, as shown in Figure P2.10. The battery is charged for 6 h. Find:

- The total charge delivered to the battery.
- The energy transferred to the battery during the charging cycle.

*Hint:* Recall that the energy,  $w$ , is the integral of power, or  $P = dw/dt$ .

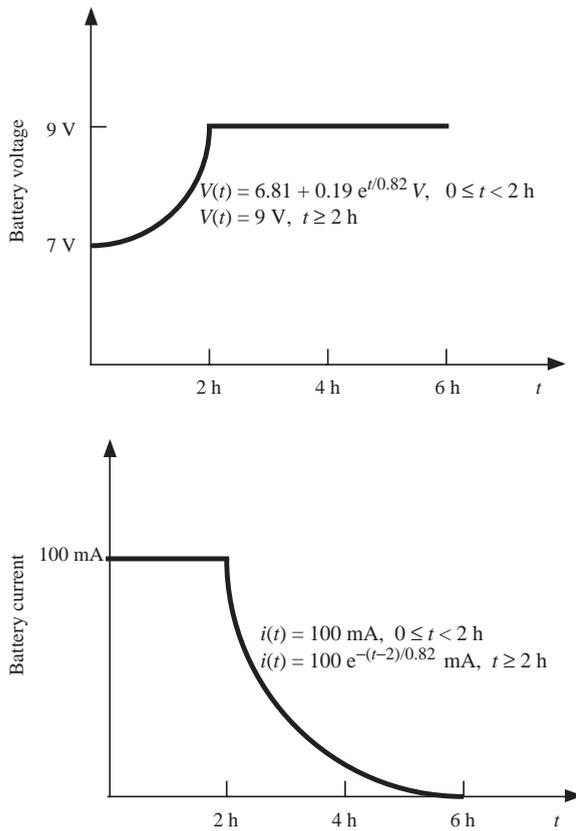


Figure P2.10

**2.11** The charging scheme used in Figure P2.11 is an example of a constant-current charge cycle. The charger voltage is controlled such that the current into the battery is held constant at 40 mA, as shown in Figure P2.11. The battery is charged for 6 h. Find:

- The total charge delivered to the battery.
- The energy transferred to the battery during the charging cycle.

*Hint:* Recall that the energy,  $w$ , is the integral of power, or  $P = dw/dt$ .

**2.12** The charging scheme used in Figure P2.12 is called a *tapered-current charge cycle*. The current starts at the highest level and then decreases with time for the entire charge cycle, as shown. The battery is charged for 12 h. Find:

- The total charge delivered to the battery.
- The energy transferred to the battery during the charging cycle.

*Hint:* Recall that the energy,  $w$ , is the integral of power, or  $P = dw/dt$ .

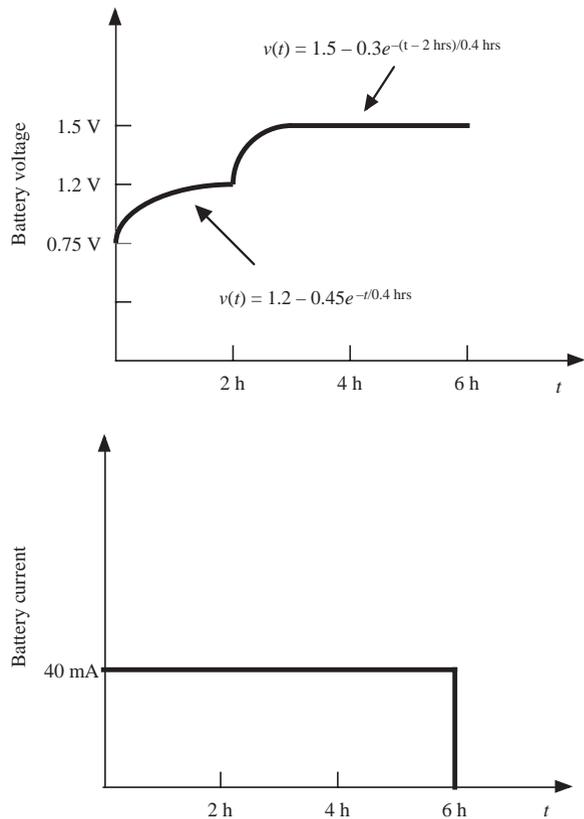


Figure P2.11

### Sections 2.2, 2.3: KCL, KVL

**2.13** Use Kirchhoff's current law to determine the unknown currents in the circuit of Figure P2.13. Assume that  $I_0 = -2$  A,  $I_1 = -4$  A,  $I_5 = 8$  A, and  $V_S = 12$  V.

**2.14** Apply KCL to find the current  $i$  in the circuit of Figure P2.14.

**2.15** Apply KCL to find the current  $I$  in the circuit of Figure P2.15.

**2.16** Apply KVL to find the voltages  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  in Figure P2.16.

**2.17** Use Ohm's law and KCL to determine the current  $I_1$  in the circuit of Figure P2.17.

### Section 2.4: Electric Power and Sign Convention

**2.18** In the circuits of Figure P2.18, the directions of current and polarities of voltage have already been defined. Find the actual values of the indicated currents and voltages.

**2.19** Find the power delivered by each source in the circuits of Figure P2.19.

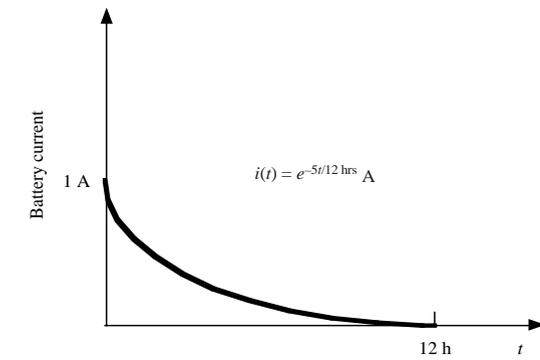
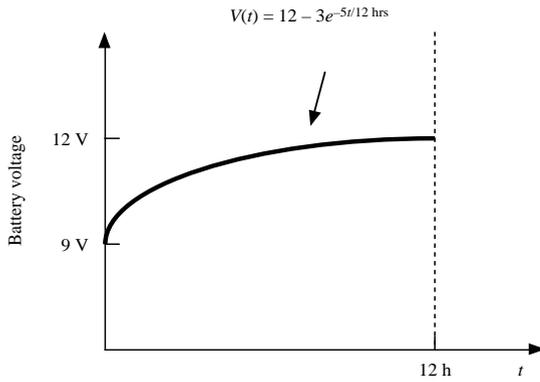


Figure P2.12

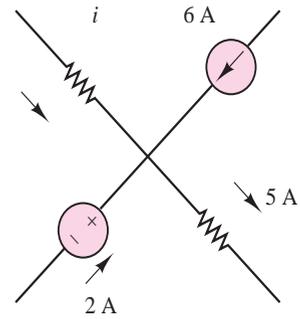


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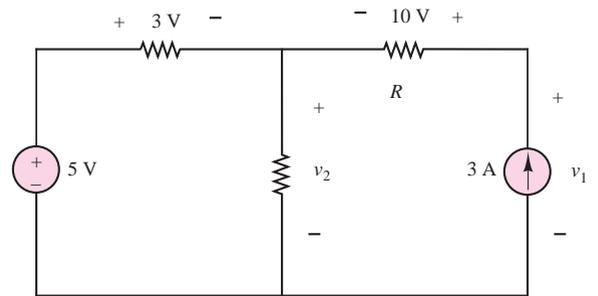


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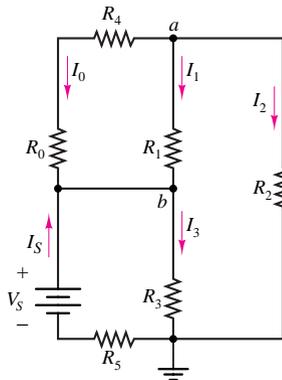


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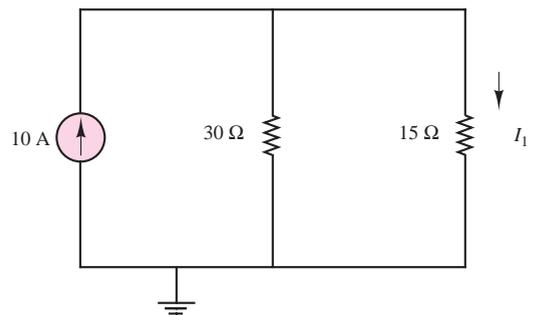


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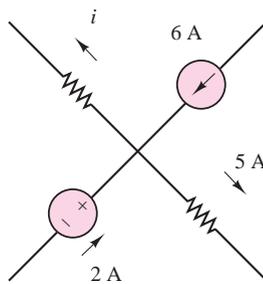
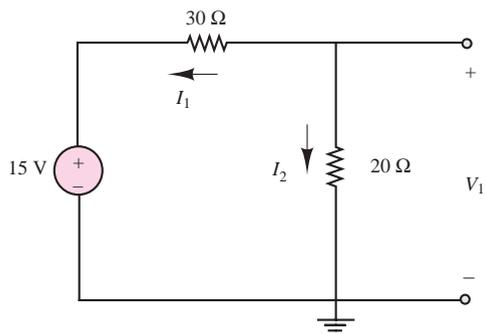


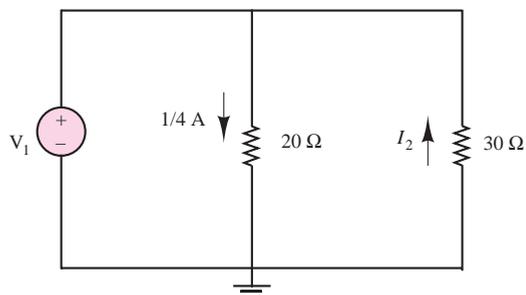
Figure P2.14

**2.20** Determine which elements in the circuit of Figure P2.20 are supplying power and which are dissipating power. Also determine the amount of power dissipated and supplied.

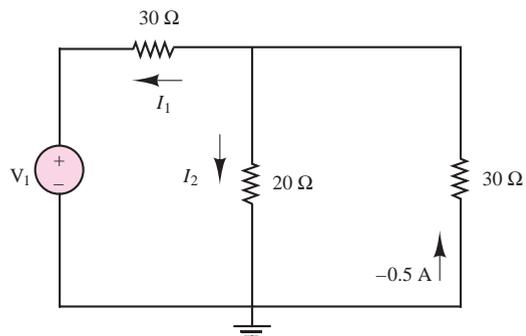
**2.21** In the circuit of Figure P2.21, determine the power absorbed by the resistor  $R$  and the power delivered by the current source.



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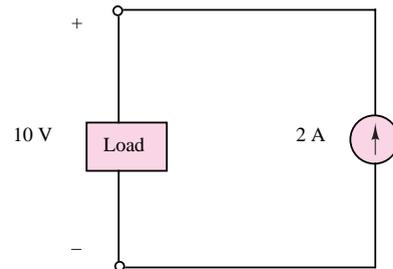
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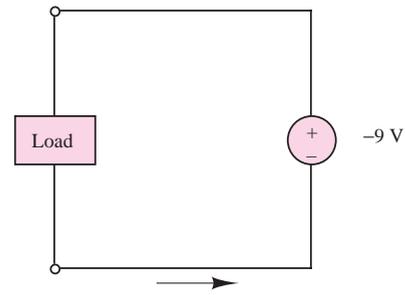
**2.22** For the circuit shown in Figure P2.22:

- Determine which components are absorbing power and which are delivering power.
- Is conservation of power satisfied? Explain your answer.

**2.23** For the circuit shown in Figure P2.23, determine which components are supplying power and which are dissipating power. Also determine the amount of power dissipated and supplied.



(a)



(b)

Figure P2.19

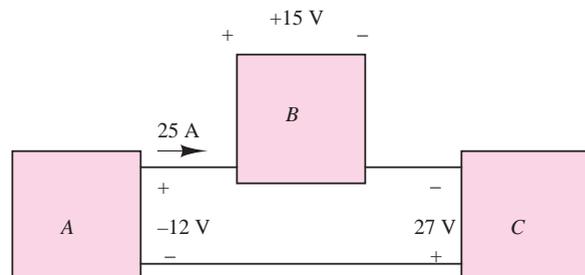


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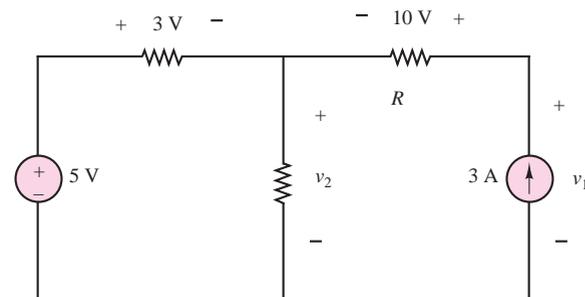


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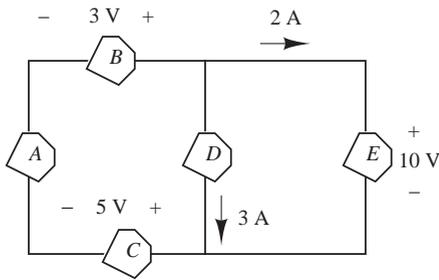


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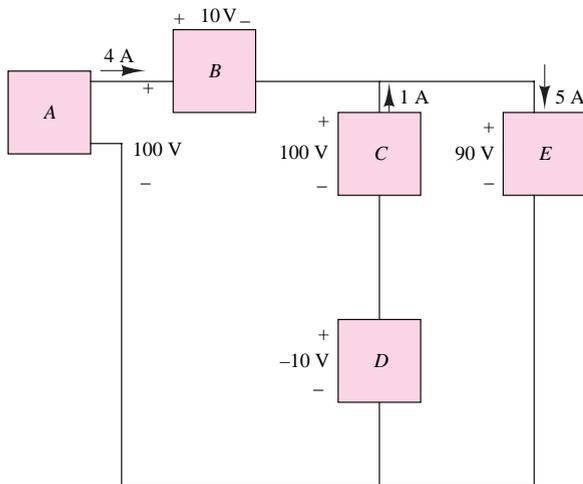


Figure P2.23

**2.24** For the circuit shown in Figure P2.24, determine which components are supplying power and which are dissipating power. Also determine the amount of power dissipated and supplied.

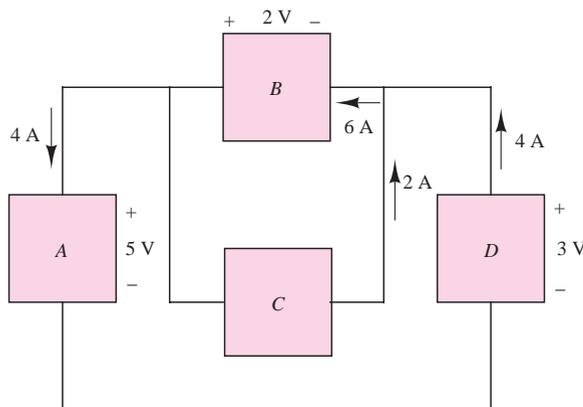


Figure P2.24

- 2.25** If an electric heater requires 23 A at 110 V, determine
- The power it dissipates as heat or other losses.
  - The energy dissipated by the heater in a 24-h period.
  - The cost of the energy if the power company charges at the rate 6 cents/kWh.

**2.26** A 24-volt automotive battery is connected to two headlights, such that the two loads are in parallel; each of the headlights is intended to be a 75-W load, however, a 100-W headlight is mistakenly installed. What is the resistance of each headlight, and what is the total resistance seen by the battery?

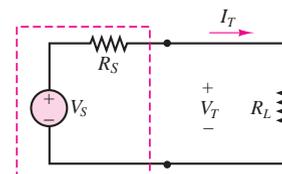
**2.27** What is the equivalent resistance seen by the battery of Problem 2.26 if two 15-W taillights are added (in parallel) to the two 75-W (each) headlights?

**2.28** Refer to Figure P2.28.

- Find the total power supplied by the ideal source.
- Find the power dissipated and lost within the nonideal source.
- What is the power supplied by the source to the circuit as modeled by the load resistance?
- Plot the terminal voltage and power supplied to the circuit as a function of current.

Repeat  $I_T = 0, 5, 10, 20, 30$  A.

$$V_S = 12 \text{ V} \quad R_S = 0.3 \text{ } \Omega$$



Nonideal source

Figure P2.28

**2.29** A GE SoftWhite Longlife lightbulb is rated as follows:

$$P_R = \text{rated power} = 60 \text{ W}$$

$$P_{OR} = \text{rated optical power} = 820 \text{ lumens (lm) (average)}$$

$$1 \text{ lumen} = \frac{1}{680} \text{ W}$$

$$\text{Operating life} = 1,500 \text{ h (average)}$$

$$V_R = \text{rated operating voltage} = 115 \text{ V}$$

The resistance of the filament of the bulb, measured with a standard multimeter, is  $16.7 \text{ } \Omega$ . When the bulb

is connected into a circuit and is operating at the rated values given above, determine

- The resistance of the filament.
- The efficiency of the bulb.

**2.30** An incandescent lightbulb rated at 100 W will dissipate 100 W as heat and light when connected across a 110-V ideal voltage source. If three of these bulbs are connected in series across the same source, determine the power each bulb will dissipate.

**2.31** An incandescent lightbulb rated at 60 W will dissipate 60 W as heat and light when connected across a 100-V ideal voltage source. A 100-W bulb will dissipate 100 W when connected across the same source. If the bulbs are connected in series across the same source, determine the power that either one of the two bulbs will dissipate.

**2.32** A 220-V electric heater has two heating coils which can be switched such that either coil can be used independently or the two can be connected in series or parallel, yielding a total of four possible configurations. If the warmest setting corresponds to 2,000-W power dissipation and the coolest corresponds to 300 W, find

- The resistance of each of the two coils.
- The power dissipation for each of the other two possible arrangements.

### Sections 2.5, 2.6: Circuit Elements and their $i$ - $v$ Characteristics, Resistance and Ohm's Law

**2.33** For the circuit shown in Figure P2.33, determine the power absorbed by the 5- $\Omega$  resistor.

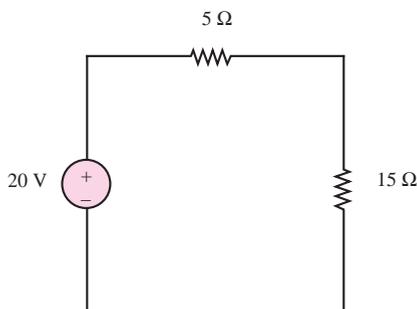
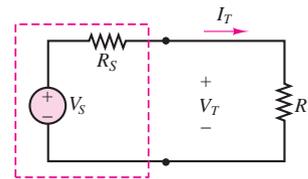


Figure P2.33

**2.34** In the circuit shown in Figure P2.34, determine the terminal voltage of the source, the power supplied to the circuit (or load), and the efficiency of the circuit. Assume that the only loss is due to the internal resistance of the source. Efficiency is defined as the

ratio of load power to source power.

$$V_S = 12 \text{ V} \quad R_S = 5 \text{ k}\Omega \quad R_L = 7 \text{ k}\Omega$$



Nonideal source

Figure P2.34

**2.35** For the circuit shown in Figure P2.35, determine the power absorbed by the variable resistor  $R$ , ranging from 0 to 20  $\Omega$ . Plot the power absorption as a function of  $R$ .

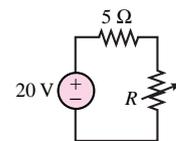


Figure P2.35

**2.36** In the circuit of Figure P2.36, if  $v_1 = v/4$  and the power delivered by the source is 40 mW, find  $R$ ,  $v$ ,  $v_1$ , and  $i$ . Given:  $R_1 = 8 \text{ k}\Omega$ ,  $R_2 = 10 \text{ k}\Omega$ ,  $R_3 = 12 \text{ k}\Omega$ .

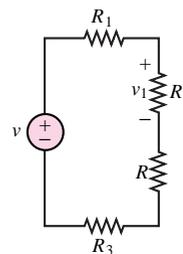


Figure P2.36

**2.37** For the circuit shown in Figure P2.37, find

- The equivalent resistance seen by the source.
- The current  $i$ .
- The power delivered by the source.
- The voltages  $v_1$  and  $v_2$ .
- The minimum power rating required for  $R_1$ .

Given:  $v = 24 \text{ V}$ ,  $R_0 = 8 \Omega$ ,  $R_1 = 10 \Omega$ ,  $R_2 = 2 \Omega$ .

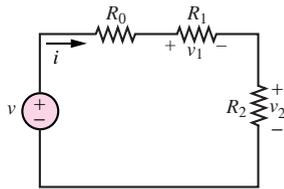


Figure P2.37

- 2.38** For the circuit shown in Figure P2.38, find
- The currents  $i_1$  and  $i_2$ .
  - The power delivered by the 3-A current source and by the 12-V voltage source.
  - The total power dissipated by the circuit.

Let  $R_1 = 25 \Omega$ ,  $R_2 = 10 \Omega$ ,  $R_3 = 5 \Omega$ ,  $R_4 = 7 \Omega$ , and express  $i_1$  and  $i_2$  as functions of  $v$ . (Hint: Apply KCL at the node between  $R_1$  and  $R_3$ .)

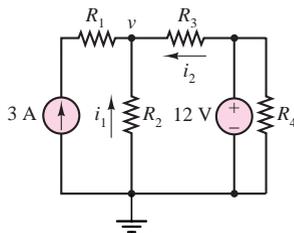


Figure P2.38

- 2.39** Determine the power delivered by the dependent source in the circuit of Figure P2.39.

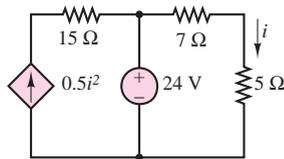


Figure P2.39

- 2.40** Consider NiMH hobbyist batteries shown in the circuit of Figure P2.40.
- If  $V_1 = 12.0 \text{ V}$ ,  $R_1 = 0.15 \Omega$  and  $R_L = 2.55 \Omega$ , find the load current  $I_L$  and the power dissipated by the load.
  - If we connect a second battery in parallel with battery 1 that has voltage  $V_2 = 12 \text{ V}$  and

$R_2 = 0.28 \Omega$ , will the load current  $I_L$  increase or decrease? Will the power dissipated by the load increase or decrease? By how much?

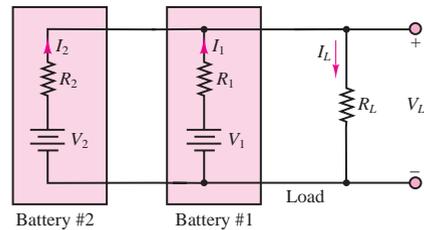
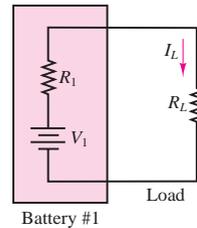


Figure P2.40

- 2.41** With no load attached, the voltage at the terminals of a particular power supply is 50.8 V. When a 10-W load is attached, the voltage drops to 49 V.
- Determine  $v_S$  and  $R_S$  for this nonideal source.
  - What voltage would be measured at the terminals in the presence of a 15- $\Omega$  load resistor?
  - How much current could be drawn from this power supply under short-circuit conditions?
- 2.42** For the circuits of Figure P2.42, determine the resistor values (including the power rating) necessary to achieve the indicated voltages. Resistors are available in  $1/8$ -,  $1/4$ -,  $1/2$ -, and 1-W ratings.
- 2.43** For the circuit shown in Figure P2.43, find
- The equivalent resistance seen by the source.
  - The current  $i$ .
  - The power delivered by the source.
  - The voltages  $v_1$ ,  $v_2$ .
  - The minimum power rating required for  $R_1$ .
- 2.44** Find the equivalent resistance seen by the source in Figure P2.44, and use result to find  $i$ ,  $i_1$ , and  $v$ .
- 2.45** Find the equivalent resistance seen by the source and the current  $i$  in the circuit of Figure P2.45.

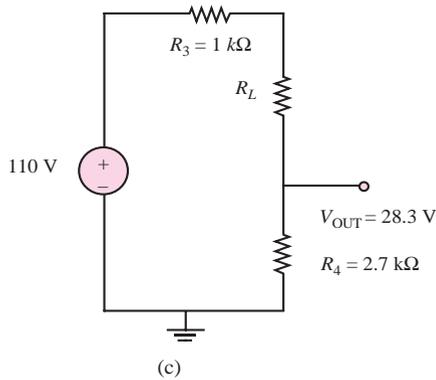
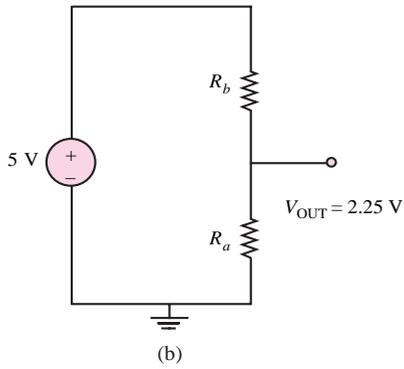
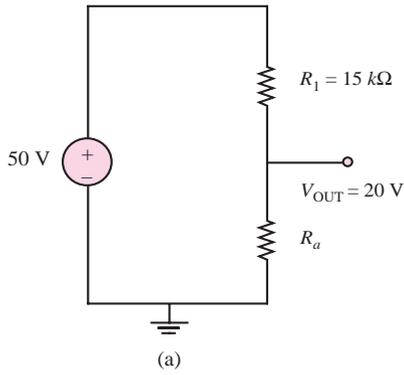


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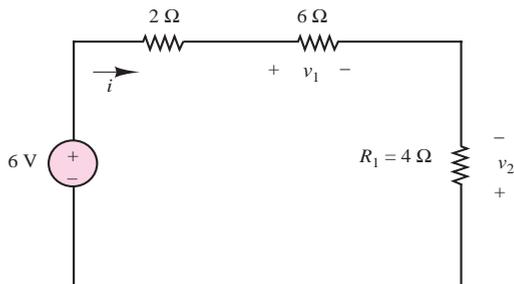


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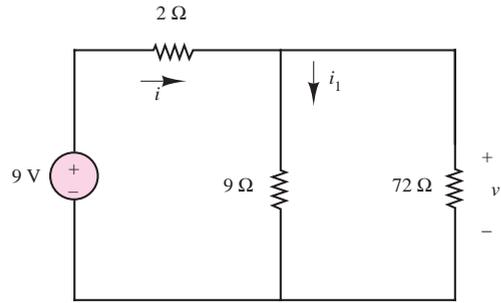


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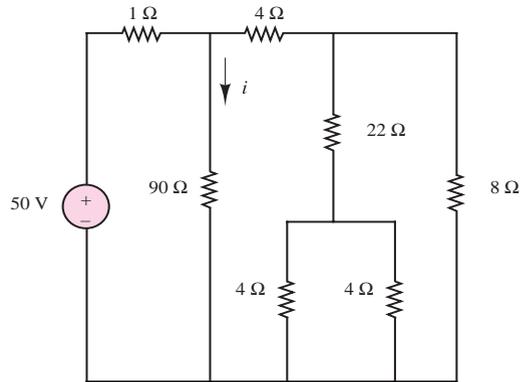


Figure P2.45

2.46 In the circuit of Figure P2.46, the power absorbed by the 15-Ω resistor is 15 W. Find  $R$ .

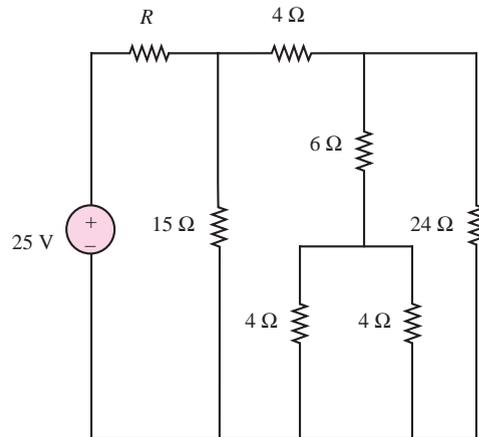


Figure P2.46

2.47 Find the equivalent resistance between terminals  $a$  and  $b$  in the circuit of Figure P2.47.

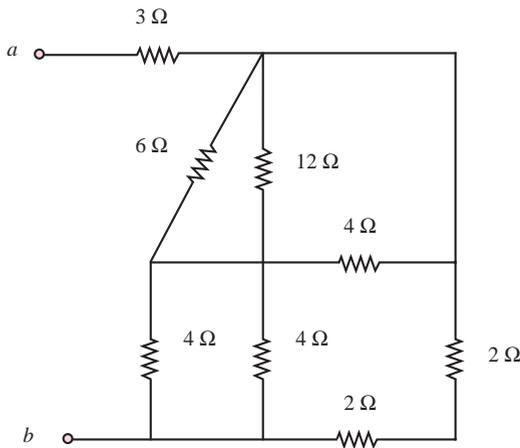


Figure P2.47

**2.48** For the circuit shown in Figure P2.48, find the equivalent resistance seen by the source. How much power is delivered by the source?

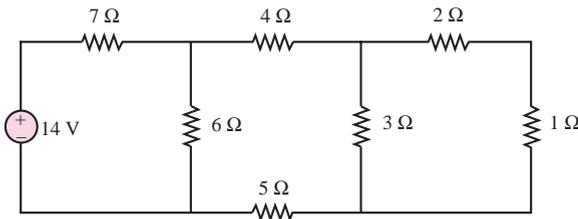


Figure P2.48

**2.49** For the circuit shown in Figure P2.49, find the equivalent resistance, where  $R_1 = 5 \Omega$ ,  $R_2 = 1 \text{ k} \Omega$ ,  $R_3 = R_4 = 100 \Omega$ ,  $R_5 = 9.1 \Omega$  and  $R_6 = 1 \text{ k} \Omega$ .

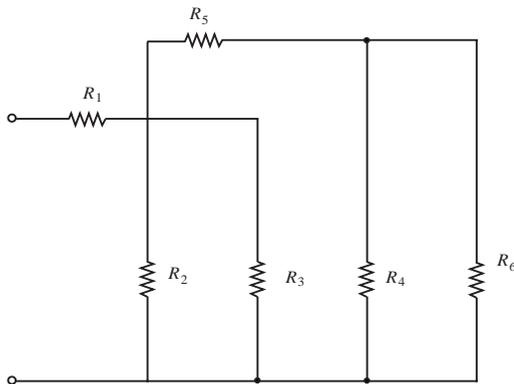


Figure P2.49

**2.50** Cheap resistors are fabricated by depositing a thin layer of carbon onto a nonconducting cylindrical

substrate (see Figure P2.50). If such a cylinder has radius  $a$  and length  $d$ , determine the thickness of the film required for a resistance  $R$  if

$$a = 1 \text{ mm} \quad R = 33 \text{ k} \Omega$$

$$\sigma = \frac{1}{\rho} = 2.9 \text{ M} \frac{\text{S}}{\text{m}} \quad d = 9 \text{ mm}$$

Neglect the end surfaces of the cylinder and assume that the thickness is much smaller than the radius.

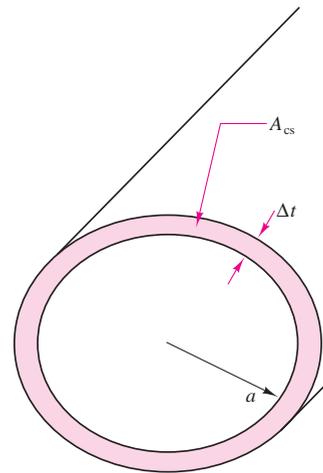


Figure P2.50

**2.51** The resistive elements of fuses, lightbulbs, heaters, etc., are significantly nonlinear (i.e., the resistance is dependent on the current through the element). Assume the resistance of a fuse (Figure P2.51) is given by the expression  $R = R_0[1 + A(T - T_0)]$  with  $T - T_0 = kP$ ;  $T_0 = 25^\circ\text{C}$ ;  $A = 0.7[^\circ\text{C}]^{-1}$ ;  $k = 0.35^\circ\text{C}/\text{W}$ ;  $R_0 = 0.11 \Omega$ ; and  $P$  is the power dissipated in the resistive element of the fuse. Determine the rated current at which the circuit will melt and open, that is, “blow.” (Hint: The fuse blows when  $R$  becomes infinite.)

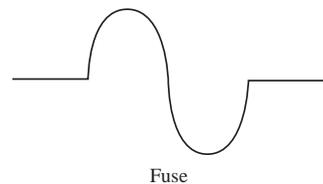


Figure P2.51

**2.52** Use Kirchhoff’s current law and Ohm’s law to determine the current in each of the resistors  $R_4$ ,  $R_5$ , and  $R_6$  in the circuit of Figure P2.52.  $V_S = 10 \text{ V}$ ,

$$R_1 = 20 \Omega, R_2 = 40 \Omega, R_3 = 10 \Omega, R_4 = R_5 = R_6 = 15 \Omega.$$

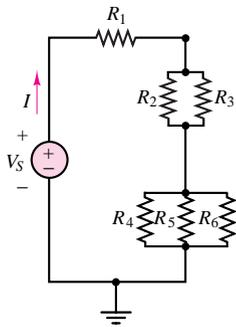


Figure P2.52

**2.53** With reference to Problem 2.13, use Kirchhoff's current law and Ohm's law to find the resistances  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ ,  $R_3$ ,  $R_4$ , and  $R_5$  if  $R_0 = 2 \Omega$ . Assume  $R_4 = \frac{2}{3}R_1$  and  $R_2 = \frac{1}{3}R_1$ .

**2.54** Assuming  $R_1 = 2 \Omega$ ,  $R_2 = 5 \Omega$ ,  $R_3 = 4 \Omega$ ,  $R_4 = 1 \Omega$ ,  $R_5 = 3 \Omega$ ,  $I_2 = 4 \text{ A}$ , and  $V_S = 54 \text{ V}$  in the circuit of Figure P2.13, use Kirchhoff's current law and Ohm's law to find

- a.  $I_0$ ,  $I_1$ ,  $I_3$ , and  $I_5$ .      b.  $R_0$ .

**2.55** Assuming  $R_0 = 2 \Omega$ ,  $R_1 = 1 \Omega$ ,  $R_2 = 4/3 \Omega$ ,  $R_3 = 6 \Omega$ , and  $V_S = 12 \text{ V}$  in the circuit of Figure P2.55, use Kirchhoff's voltage law and Ohm's law to find

- a.  $i_a$ ,  $i_b$ , and  $i_c$ .  
b. The current through each resistance.

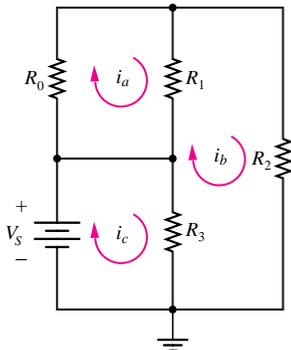


Figure P2.55

**2.56** Assuming  $R_0 = 2 \Omega$ ,  $R_1 = 2 \Omega$ ,  $R_2 = 5 \Omega$ ,  $R_3 = 4 \Omega$ , and  $V_S = 24 \text{ V}$  in the circuit of Figure P2.55, use Kirchhoff's voltage law and Ohm's law to find

- a.  $i_a$ ,  $i_b$ , and  $i_c$ .  
b. The voltage across each resistance.

**2.57** Assume that the voltage source in the circuit of Figure P2.55 is now replaced by a current source, and  $R_0 = 1 \Omega$ ,  $R_1 = 3 \Omega$ ,  $R_2 = 2 \Omega$ ,  $R_3 = 4 \Omega$ , and  $I_S = 12 \text{ A}$ . Use Kirchhoff's voltage law and Ohm's law to determine the voltage across each resistance.

**2.58** The voltage divider network of Figure P2.58 is expected to provide 5 V at the output. The resistors, however, may not be exactly the same; that is, their tolerances are such that the resistances may not be exactly 5 k $\Omega$ .

- a. If the resistors have  $\pm 10$  percent tolerance, find the worst-case output voltages.  
b. Find these voltages for tolerances of  $\pm 5$  percent.

Given:  $V = 10 \text{ V}$ ,  $R_1 = 5 \text{ k}\Omega$ ,  $R_2 = 5 \text{ k}\Omega$ .

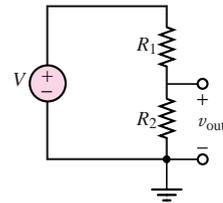


Figure P2.58

**2.59** Find the equivalent resistance of the circuit of Figure P2.59 by combining resistors in series and in parallel.  $R_0 = 4 \Omega$ ,  $R_1 = 12 \Omega$ ,  $R_2 = 8 \Omega$ ,  $R_3 = 2 \Omega$ ,  $R_4 = 16 \Omega$ ,  $R_5 = 5 \Omega$ .

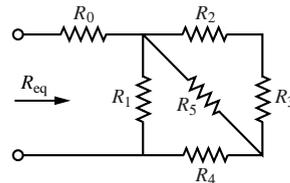


Figure P2.59

**2.60** Find the equivalent resistance seen by the source and the current  $i$  in the circuit of Figure P2.60. Given:  $V_S = 12 \text{ V}$ ,  $R_0 = 4 \Omega$ ,  $R_1 = 2 \Omega$ ,  $R_2 = 50 \Omega$ ,  $R_3 = 8 \Omega$ ,  $R_4 = 10 \Omega$ ,  $R_5 = 12 \Omega$ ,  $R_6 = 6 \Omega$ .

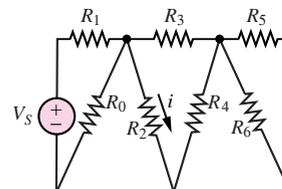
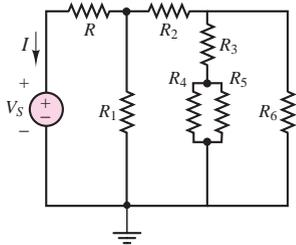


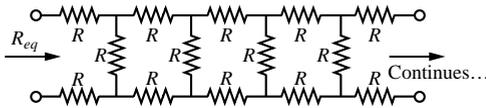
Figure P2.60

**2.61** In the circuit of Figure P2.61, the power absorbed by the 20-Ω resistor is 20 W. Find  $R$ . Given:  $V_S = 50$  V,  $R_1 = 20$  Ω,  $R_2 = 5$  Ω,  $R_3 = 2$  Ω,  $R_4 = 8$  Ω,  $R_5 = 8$  Ω,  $R_6 = 30$  Ω.



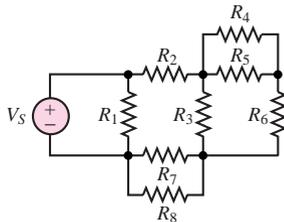
**Figure P2.61**

**2.62** Determine the equivalent resistance of the infinite network of resistors in the circuit of Figure P2.62.



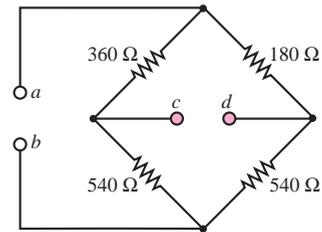
**Figure P2.62**

**2.63** For the circuit shown in Figure P2.63 find  
 a. The equivalent resistance seen by the source.  
 b. The current through and the power absorbed by the 90-Ω resistance. Given:  $V_S = 110$  V,  $R_1 = 90$  Ω,  $R_2 = 50$  Ω,  $R_3 = 40$  Ω,  $R_4 = 20$  Ω,  $R_5 = 30$  Ω,  $R_6 = 10$  Ω,  $R_7 = 60$  Ω,  $R_8 = 80$  Ω.



**Figure P2.63**

**2.64** In the circuit of Figure P2.64, find the equivalent resistance looking in at terminals  $a$  and  $b$  if terminals  $c$  and  $d$  are open and again if terminals  $c$  and  $d$  are shorted together. Also, find the equivalent resistance looking in at terminals  $c$  and  $d$  if terminals  $a$  and  $b$  are open and if terminals  $a$  and  $b$  are shorted together.



**Figure P2.64**

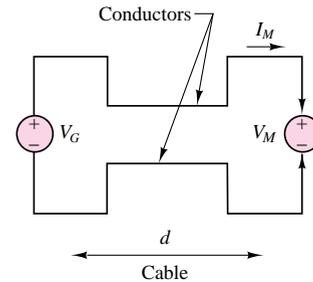
**2.65** At an engineering site which you are supervising, a 1-horsepower motor must be sited a distance  $d$  from a portable generator (Figure P2.65). Assume the generator can be modeled as an ideal source with the voltage given. The nameplate on the motor gives the following rated voltages and the corresponding full-load current:

$$V_G = 110 \text{ V}$$

$$V_{M \text{ min}} = 105 \text{ V} \rightarrow I_{M \text{ FL}} = 7.10 \text{ A}$$

$$V_{M \text{ max}} = 117 \text{ V} \rightarrow I_{M \text{ FL}} = 6.37 \text{ A}$$

If  $d = 150$  m and the motor must deliver its full-rated power, determine the minimum AWG conductors which must be used in a rubber-insulated cable. Assume that the only losses in the circuit occur in the wires.



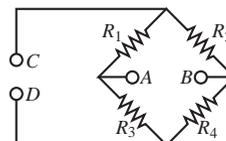
**Figure P2.65**

**2.66** In the bridge circuit in Figure P2.66, if nodes (or terminals)  $C$  and  $D$  are shorted and

$$R_1 = 2.2 \text{ k}\Omega \quad R_2 = 18 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$R_3 = 4.7 \text{ k}\Omega \quad R_4 = 3.3 \text{ k}\Omega$$

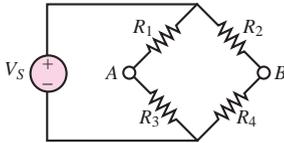
determine the equivalent resistance between the nodes or terminals  $A$  and  $B$ .



**Figure P2.66**

**2.67** Determine the voltage between nodes  $A$  and  $B$  in the circuit shown in Figure P2.67.

$$\begin{aligned} V_S &= 12 \text{ V} \\ R_1 &= 11 \text{ k}\Omega & R_3 &= 6.8 \text{ k}\Omega \\ R_2 &= 220 \text{ k}\Omega & R_4 &= 0.22 \text{ M}\Omega \end{aligned}$$



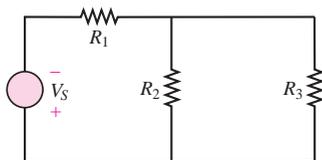
**Figure P2.67**

**2.68** Determine the voltage between nodes  $A$  and  $B$  in the circuit shown in Figure P2.67.

$$\begin{aligned} V_S &= 5 \text{ V} \\ R_1 &= 2.2 \text{ k}\Omega & R_2 &= 18 \text{ k}\Omega \\ R_3 &= 4.7 \text{ k}\Omega & R_4 &= 3.3 \text{ k}\Omega \end{aligned}$$

**2.69** Determine the voltage across  $R_3$  in Figure P2.69.

$$\begin{aligned} V_S &= 12 \text{ V} & R_1 &= 1.7 \text{ m}\Omega \\ R_2 &= 3 \text{ k}\Omega & R_3 &= 10 \text{ k}\Omega \end{aligned}$$



**Figure P2.69**

## Sections 2.7, 2.8: Practical Voltage and Current Sources and Measuring Devices

**2.70** A *thermistor* is a nonlinear device which changes its terminal resistance value as its surrounding temperature changes. The resistance and temperature generally have a relation in the form of

$$R_{\text{th}}(T) = R_0 e^{-\beta(T-T_0)}$$

where  $R_{\text{th}}$  = resistance at temperature  $T$ ,  $\Omega$

$R_0$  = resistance at temperature  $T_0 = 298 \text{ K}$ ,  $\Omega$

$\beta$  = material constant,  $\text{K}^{-1}$

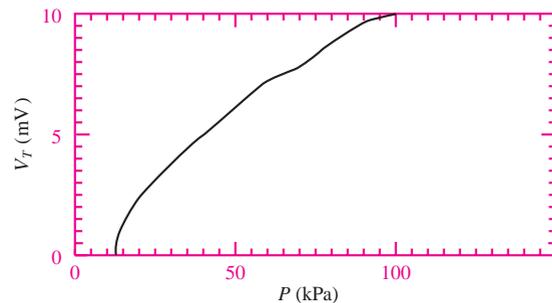
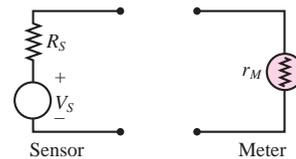
$T, T_0$  = absolute temperature,  $\text{K}$

a. If  $R_0 = 300 \Omega$  and  $\beta = -0.01 \text{ K}^{-1}$ , plot  $R_{\text{th}}(T)$  as a function of the surrounding temperature  $T$  for  $350 \leq T \leq 750$ .

b. If the thermistor is in parallel with a  $250\text{-}\Omega$  resistor, find the expression for the equivalent resistance and plot  $R_{\text{th}}(T)$  on the same graph for part a.

**2.71** A moving-coil meter movement has a meter resistance  $r_M = 200 \Omega$ , and full-scale deflection is caused by a meter current  $I_m = 10 \mu\text{A}$ . The movement must be used to indicate pressure measured by the sensor up to a maximum of  $100 \text{ kPa}$ . See Figure P2.71.

- Draw a circuit required to do this, showing all appropriate connections between the terminals of the sensor and meter movement.
- Determine the value of each component in the circuit.
- What is the linear range, that is, the minimum and maximum pressure that can accurately be measured?



**Figure P2.71**

**2.72** The circuit of Figure P2.72 is used to measure the internal impedance of a battery. The battery being tested is a NiMH battery cell.

- A fresh battery is being tested, and it is found that the voltage  $V_{\text{out}}$  is  $2.28 \text{ V}$  with the switch open and  $2.27 \text{ V}$  with the switch closed. Find the internal resistance of the battery.
- The same battery is tested one year later, and  $V_{\text{out}}$  is found to be  $2.2 \text{ V}$  with the switch open but  $0.31 \text{ V}$  with the switch closed. Find the internal resistance of the battery.

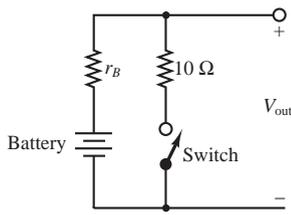


Figure P2.72

**2.73** Consider the practical ammeter, described in Figure P2.73, consisting of an ideal ammeter in series with a 1-k $\Omega$  resistor. The meter sees a full-scale deflection when the current through it is 30  $\mu$ A. If we desire to construct a multirange ammeter reading full-scale values of 10 mA, 100 mA, and 1 A, depending on the setting of a rotary switch, determine appropriate values of  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ , and  $R_3$ .

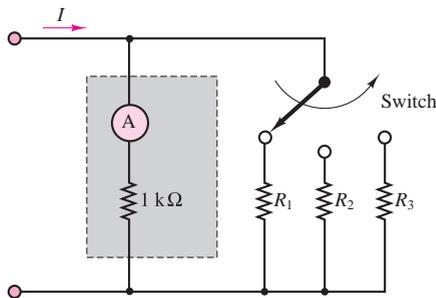


Figure P2.73

**2.74** A circuit that measures the internal resistance of a practical ammeter is shown in Figure P2.74, where  $R_S = 50,000 \Omega$ ,  $V_S = 12 \text{ V}$ , and  $R_p$  is a variable resistor that can be adjusted at will.

- Assume that  $r_a \ll 50,000 \Omega$ . Estimate the current  $i$ .
- If the meter displays a current of 150  $\mu$ A when  $R_p = 15 \Omega$ , find the internal resistance of the meter  $r_a$ .

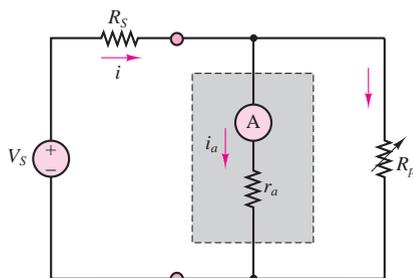


Figure P2.74

**2.75** A practical voltmeter has an internal resistance  $r_m$ . What is the value of  $r_m$  if the meter reads 11.81 V when connected as shown in Figure P2.75.

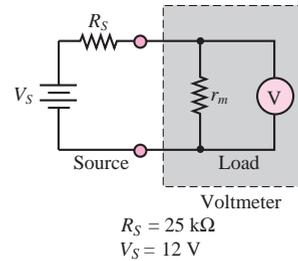


Figure P2.75

**2.76** Using the circuit of Figure P2.75, find the voltage that the meter reads if  $V_S = 24 \text{ V}$  and  $R_S$  has the following values:  
 $R_S = 0.2r_m, 0.4r_m, 0.6r_m, 1.2r_m, 4r_m, 6r_m,$  and  $10r_m$ .  
 How large (or small) should the internal resistance of the meter be relative to  $R_S$ ?

**2.77** A voltmeter is used to determine the voltage across a resistive element in the circuit of Figure P2.77. The instrument is modeled by an ideal voltmeter in parallel with a 120-k $\Omega$  resistor, as shown. The meter is placed to measure the voltage across  $R_4$ . Assume  $R_1 = 8 \text{ k}\Omega$ ,  $R_2 = 22 \text{ k}\Omega$ ,  $R_3 = 50 \text{ k}\Omega$ ,  $R_5 = 125 \text{ k}\Omega$ , and  $I_S = 120 \text{ mA}$ . Find the voltage across  $R_4$  with and without the voltmeter in the circuit for the following values:

- $R_4 = 100 \Omega$
- $R_4 = 1 \text{ k}\Omega$
- $R_4 = 10 \text{ k}\Omega$
- $R_4 = 100 \text{ k}\Omega$

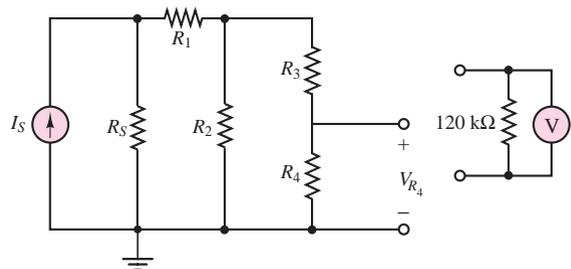
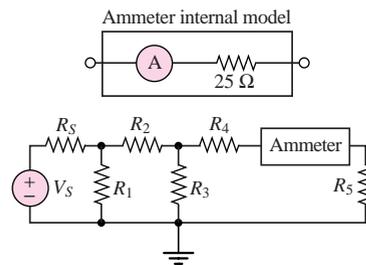


Figure P2.77

**2.78** An ammeter is used as shown in Figure P2.78. The ammeter model consists of an ideal ammeter in series with a resistance. The ammeter model is placed in the branch as shown in the figure. Find the current through  $R_5$  both with and without the ammeter in the circuit for

the following values, assuming that  $R_5 = 20 \Omega$ ,  
 $R_1 = 800 \Omega$ ,  $R_2 = 600 \Omega$ ,  $R_3 = 1.2 \text{ k}\Omega$ ,  $R_4 = 150 \Omega$ ,  
 and  $V_S = 24 \text{ V}$ .

- $R_5 = 1 \text{ k}\Omega$
- $R_5 = 100 \Omega$
- $R_5 = 10 \Omega$
- $R_5 = 1 \Omega$



**Figure P2.78**

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# 3

## RESISTIVE NETWORK ANALYSIS

Chapter 3 illustrates the fundamental techniques for the analysis of resistive circuits. The chapter begins with the definition of network variables and of network analysis problems. Next, the two most widely applied methods—*node analysis* and *mesh analysis*—are introduced. These are the most generally applicable circuit solution techniques used to derive the equations of all electric circuits; their application to resistive circuits in this chapter is intended to acquaint you with these methods, which are used throughout the book. The second solution method presented is based on the *principle of superposition*, which is applicable only to linear circuits. Next, the concept of *Thévenin and Norton equivalent circuits* is explored, which leads to a discussion of *maximum power transfer* in electric circuits and facilitates the ensuing discussion of nonlinear loads and *load-line analysis*. At the conclusion of the chapter, you should have developed confidence in your ability to compute numerical solutions for a wide range of resistive circuits. The following box outlines the principal learning objectives of the chapter.

## Learning Objectives

1. Compute the solution of circuits containing linear resistors and independent and dependent sources by using *node analysis*. Sections 3.2 and 3.4.
2. Compute the solution of circuits containing linear resistors and independent and dependent sources by using *mesh analysis*. Sections 3.3 and 3.4.
3. Apply the *principle of superposition* to linear circuits containing independent sources. Section 3.5.
4. Compute *Thévenin and Norton equivalent circuits* for networks containing linear resistors and independent and dependent sources. Section 3.6.
5. Use equivalent-circuit ideas to compute the *maximum power transfer* between a source and a load. Section 3.7.
6. Use the concept of equivalent circuit to determine voltage, current, and power for nonlinear loads by using *load-line analysis* and analytical methods. Section 3.8.

### 3.1 Network Analysis

The analysis of an electrical network consists of determining each of the unknown branch currents and node voltages. It is therefore important to define all the relevant variables as clearly as possible, and in systematic fashion. Once the known and unknown variables have been identified, a set of equations relating these variables is constructed, and these equations are solved by means of suitable techniques. The analysis of electric circuits consists of writing the smallest set of equations sufficient to solve for all the unknown variables. The procedures required to write these equations are the subject of Chapter 3 and are very well documented and codified in the form of simple rules. The analysis of electric circuits is greatly simplified if some standard conventions are followed.

Example 3.1 defines all the voltages and currents that are associated with a specific circuit.

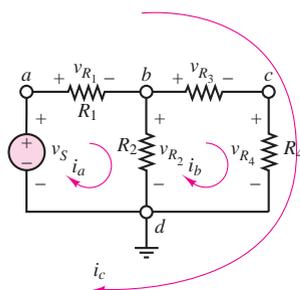


Figure 3.1

#### EXAMPLE 3.1

##### Problem

Identify the branch and node voltages and the loop and mesh currents in the circuit of Figure 3.1.

##### Solution

The following node voltages may be identified:

Node voltages	Branch voltages
$v_a = v_S$ (source voltage)	$v_S = v_a - v_d = v_a$
$v_b = v_{R_2}$	$v_{R_1} = v_a - v_b$
$v_c = v_{R_4}$	$v_{R_2} = v_b - v_d = v_b$
$v_d = 0$ (ground)	$v_{R_3} = v_b - v_c$
	$v_{R_4} = v_c - v_d = v_c$

**Comments:** Currents  $i_a$ ,  $i_b$ , and  $i_c$  are loop currents, but only  $i_a$  and  $i_b$  are mesh currents.

In the example, we have identified a total of 9 variables! It should be clear that some method is needed to organize the wealth of information that can be generated simply by applying Ohm’s law at each branch in a circuit. What would be desirable at this point is a means of reducing the number of equations needed to solve a circuit to the minimum necessary, that is, a method for obtaining  $N$  equations in  $N$  unknowns. The remainder of the chapter is devoted to the development of systematic circuit analysis methods that will greatly simplify the solution of electrical network problems.

### 3.2 THE NODE VOLTAGE METHOD

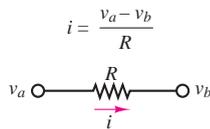
Node voltage analysis is the most general method for the analysis of electric circuits. In this section, its application to linear resistive circuits is illustrated. The **node voltage method** is based on defining the voltage at each node as an independent variable. One of the nodes is selected as a **reference node** (usually—but not necessarily—ground), and each of the other node voltages is referenced to this node. Once each node voltage is defined, Ohm’s law may be applied between any two adjacent nodes to determine the current flowing in each branch. In the node voltage method, *each branch current is expressed in terms of one or more node voltages*; thus, currents do not explicitly enter into the equations. Figure 3.2 illustrates how to define branch currents in this method. You may recall a similar description given in Chapter 2.

Once each branch current is defined in terms of the node voltages, Kirchhoff’s current law is applied at each node:

$$\sum i = 0 \tag{3.1}$$

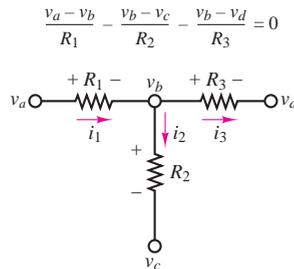
Figure 3.3 illustrates this procedure.

In the node voltage method, we assign the node voltages  $v_a$  and  $v_b$ ; the branch current flowing from  $a$  to  $b$  is then expressed in terms of these node voltages.



**Figure 3.2** Branch current formulation in node analysis

By KCL:  $i_1 - i_2 - i_3 = 0$ . In the node voltage method, we express KCL by



**Figure 3.3** Use of KCL in node analysis

The systematic application of this method to a circuit with  $n$  nodes leads to writing  $n$  linear equations. However, one of the node voltages is the reference voltage and is therefore already known, since it is usually assumed to be zero (recall that the choice of reference voltage is dictated mostly by convenience, as explained in Chapter 2). Thus, we can write  $n - 1$  independent linear equations in the  $n - 1$  independent variables (the node voltages). Node analysis provides the minimum number of equations required to solve the circuit, since any branch voltage or current may be determined from knowledge of node voltages.



### Thermal Systems

A useful analogy can be found between electric circuits and thermal systems. The table below illustrates the correspondence between electric circuit variables and thermal system variables, showing that the difference in electrical potential is analogous to the temperature difference between two bodies. Whenever there is a temperature difference between two bodies, Newton’s law of cooling requires that heat flow from the warmer body to the cooler one. The flow of heat is therefore analogous to the flow of current. Heat flow can take place based on one of three mechanisms: (1) conduction, (2) convection, and (3) radiation. In this sidebar we only consider the first two, for simplicity.

Electrical variable	Thermal variable
Voltage difference $v$ , [V]	Temperature difference $\Delta T$ , [ $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ]
Current $i$ , [A]	Heat flux $q$ , [W]
Resistance $R$ , [ $\Omega/\text{m}$ ]	Thermal resistance $R_t$ , [ $^{\circ}\text{C}/\text{W}$ ]
Resistivity $\rho$ , [ $\Omega/\text{m}$ ]	Conduction heat-transfer coefficient $k$ , [ $\frac{\text{W}}{\text{m} \cdot ^{\circ}\text{C}}$ ]
(No exact electrical analogy)	Convection heat-transfer coefficient, or film coefficient of heat transfer $h$ , [ $\frac{\text{W}}{\text{m}^2 \cdot ^{\circ}\text{C}}$ ]

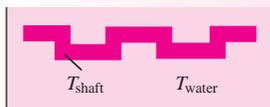


## Thermal Resistance

To explain thermal resistance, consider a heat treated engine crankshaft that has just completed some thermal treatment. Assume that the shaft is to be quenched in a water bath at ambient temperature (see the figure below). Heat flows from within the shaft to the surface of the shaft, and then from the shaft surface to the water. This process continues until the temperature of the shaft is equal to that of the water.

The first mode of heat transfer in the above description is called *conduction*, and it occurs because the thermal conductivity of steel causes heat to flow from the higher temperature inner core to the lower temperature surface. The heat-transfer conduction coefficient  $k$  is analogous to the resistivity  $\rho$  of an electric conductor.

The second mode of heat transfer, *convection*, takes place at the boundary of two dissimilar materials (steel and water here). Heat transfer between the shaft and water is dependent on the surface area of the shaft in contact with the water  $A$  and is determined by the heat transfer convection coefficient  $h$ .



Engine crankshaft quenched in water bath.

The node analysis method may also be defined as a sequence of steps, as outlined in the following box:

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1. Select a reference node (usually ground). This node usually has most elements tied to it. All other nodes are referenced to this node.
2. Define the remaining  $n - 1$  node voltages as the independent or dependent variables. Each of the  $m$  voltage sources in the circuit is associated with a dependent variable. If a node is not connected to a voltage source, then its voltage is treated as an independent variable.
3. Apply KCL at each node labeled as an independent variable, expressing each current in terms of the adjacent node voltages.
4. Solve the linear system of  $n - 1 - m$  unknowns.



Following the procedure outlined in the box guarantees that the correct solution to a given circuit will be found, provided that the nodes are properly identified and KCL is applied consistently. As an illustration of the method, consider the circuit shown in Figure 3.4. The circuit is shown in two different forms to illustrate equivalent graphical representations of the same circuit. The circuit on the right leaves no question where the nodes are. The direction of current flow is selected arbitrarily (assuming that  $i_S$  is a positive current). Application of KCL at node  $a$  yields

$$i_S - i_1 - i_2 = 0 \quad (3.2)$$

whereas at node  $b$

$$i_2 - i_3 = 0 \quad (3.3)$$

It is instructive to verify (at least the first time the method is applied) that it is not necessary to apply KCL at the reference node. The equation obtained at node  $c$ ,

$$i_1 + i_3 - i_S = 0 \quad (3.4)$$

is not independent of equations 3.2 and 3.3; in fact, it may be obtained by adding the

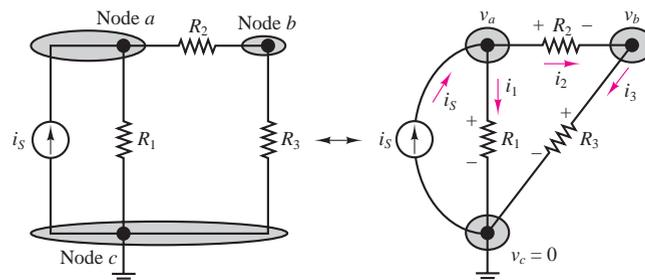


Figure 3.4 Illustration of node analysis

equations obtained at nodes  $a$  and  $b$  (verify this, as an exercise). This observation confirms the statement made earlier:



In a circuit containing  $n$  nodes, we can write at most  $n - 1$  independent equations.

Now, in applying the node voltage method, the currents  $i_1$ ,  $i_2$ , and  $i_3$  are expressed as functions of  $v_a$ ,  $v_b$ , and  $v_c$ , the independent variables. Ohm's law requires that  $i_1$ , for example, be given by

$$i_1 = \frac{v_a - v_c}{R_1} \quad (3.5)$$

since it is the potential difference  $v_a - v_c$  across  $R_1$  that causes current  $i_1$  to flow from node  $a$  to node  $c$ . Similarly,

$$i_2 = \frac{v_a - v_b}{R_2} \quad (3.6)$$

$$i_3 = \frac{v_b - v_c}{R_3}$$

Substituting the expression for the three currents in the nodal equations (equations 3.2 and 3.3), we obtain the following relationships:

$$i_S - \frac{v_a}{R_1} - \frac{v_a - v_b}{R_2} = 0 \quad (3.7)$$

$$\frac{v_a - v_b}{R_2} - \frac{v_b}{R_3} = 0 \quad (3.8)$$

Equations 3.7 and 3.8 may be obtained directly from the circuit, with a little practice. Note that these equations may be solved for  $v_a$  and  $v_b$ , assuming that  $i_S$ ,  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ , and  $R_3$  are known. The same equations may be reformulated as follows:

$$\left(\frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2}\right)v_a + \left(-\frac{1}{R_2}\right)v_b = i_S \quad (3.9)$$

$$\left(-\frac{1}{R_2}\right)v_a + \left(\frac{1}{R_2} + \frac{1}{R_3}\right)v_b = 0$$

Examples 3.2 through 3.4 further illustrate the application of the method.



### EXAMPLE 3.2 Node Analysis

#### Problem

Solve for all unknown currents and voltages in the circuit of Figure 3.5.

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Source currents resistor values.



### Thermal Circuit Model

The conduction resistance of the shaft is described by the following equation:

$$q = \frac{kA_1}{L} \Delta T$$

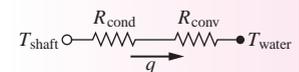
$$R_{\text{cond}} = \frac{\Delta T}{q} = \frac{L}{kA_1}$$

where  $A_1$  is a cross-sectional area and  $L$  is the distance from the inner core to the surface. The convection resistance is described by a similar equation, in which convective heat flow is described by the film coefficient of heat transfer,  $h$ :

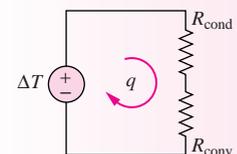
$$q = hA_2 \Delta T$$

$$R_{\text{conv}} = \frac{\Delta T}{q} = \frac{1}{hA_2}$$

where  $A_2$  is the surface area of the shaft in contact with the water. The equivalent thermal resistance and the overall circuit model of the crankshaft quenching process are shown in the figures below.



Thermal resistance representation of quenching process



Electric circuit representing the quenching process

**Find:** All node voltages and branch currents.

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $I_1 = 10 \text{ mA}$ ;  $I_2 = 50 \text{ mA}$ ;  
 $R_1 = 1 \text{ k}\Omega$ ;  $R_2 = 2 \text{ k}\Omega$ ;  $R_3 = 10 \text{ k}\Omega$ ;  $R_4 = 2 \text{ k}\Omega$ .

**Analysis:** We follow the steps outlined in the Focus on Methodology box:

1. The reference (ground) node is chosen to be the node at the bottom of the circuit.
2. The circuit of Figure 3.5 is shown again in Figure 3.6, and two nodes are also shown in the figure. Thus, there are two independent variables in this circuit:  $v_1$ ,  $v_2$ .

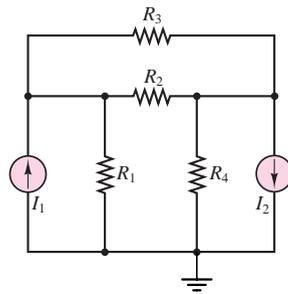


Figure 3.5

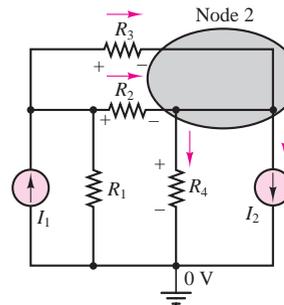
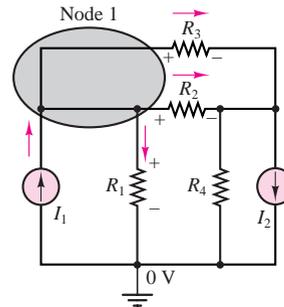


Figure 3.6

3. Applying KCL at nodes 1 and 2, we obtain

$$I_1 - \frac{v_1 - 0}{R_1} - \frac{v_1 - v_2}{R_2} - \frac{v_1 - v_2}{R_3} = 0 \quad \text{node 1}$$

$$\frac{v_1 - v_2}{R_2} + \frac{v_1 - v_2}{R_3} - \frac{v_2 - 0}{R_4} - I_2 = 0 \quad \text{node 2}$$

Now we can write the same equations more systematically as a function of the unknown node voltages, as was done in equation 3.9.

$$\left( \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} + \frac{1}{R_3} \right) v_1 + \left( -\frac{1}{R_2} - \frac{1}{R_3} \right) v_2 = I_1 \quad \text{node 1}$$

$$\left( -\frac{1}{R_2} - \frac{1}{R_3} \right) v_1 + \left( \frac{1}{R_2} + \frac{1}{R_3} + \frac{1}{R_4} \right) v_2 = -I_2 \quad \text{node 2}$$

4. We finally solve the system of equations. With some manipulation, the equations finally lead to the following form:

$$\begin{aligned} 1.6v_1 - 0.6v_2 &= 10 \\ -0.6v_1 + 1.1v_2 &= -50 \end{aligned}$$

These equations may be solved simultaneously to obtain

$$v_1 = -13.57 \text{ V}$$

$$v_2 = -52.86 \text{ V}$$

Knowing the node voltages, we can determine each of the branch currents and voltages in the circuit. For example, the current through the 10-k $\Omega$  resistor is given by

$$i_{10\text{k}\Omega} = \frac{v_1 - v_2}{10,000} = 3.93 \text{ mA}$$

indicating that the initial (arbitrary) choice of direction for this current was the same as the actual direction of current flow. As another example, consider the current through the 1-k $\Omega$  resistor:

$$i_{1\text{k}\Omega} = \frac{v_1}{1,000} = -13.57 \text{ mA}$$

In this case, the current is negative, indicating that current actually flows from ground to node 1, as it should, since the voltage at node 1 is negative with respect to ground. You may continue the branch-by-branch analysis started in this example to verify that the solution obtained in the example is indeed correct.

**Comments:** Note that we have chosen to assign a plus sign to currents entering a node and a minus sign to currents exiting a node; this choice is arbitrary (we could use the opposite convention), but we shall use it consistently in this book.

### EXAMPLE 3.3 Node Analysis

#### Problem

Write the nodal equations and solve for the node voltages in the circuit of Figure 3.7.

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Source currents; resistor values.

**Find:** All node voltages and branch currents.

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $i_a = 1 \text{ mA}$ ;  $i_b = 2 \text{ mA}$ ;  $R_1 = 1 \text{ k}\Omega$ ;  $R_2 = 500 \Omega$ ;  $R_3 = 2.2 \text{ k}\Omega$ ;  $R_4 = 4.7 \text{ k}\Omega$ .

**Analysis:** We follow the steps of the Focus on Methodology box.

1. The reference (ground) node is chosen to be the node at the bottom of the circuit.
2. See Figure 3.8. Two nodes remain after the selection of the reference node. Let us label these  $a$  and  $b$  and define voltages  $v_a$  and  $v_b$ . Both nodes are associated with independent variables.
3. We apply KCL at each of nodes  $a$  and  $b$ :

$$i_a - \frac{v_a}{R_1} - \frac{v_a - v_b}{R_2} = 0 \quad \text{node } a$$

$$\frac{v_a - v_b}{R_2} + i_b - \frac{v_b}{R_3} - \frac{v_b}{R_4} = 0 \quad \text{node } b$$

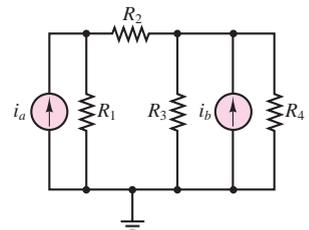


Figure 3.7

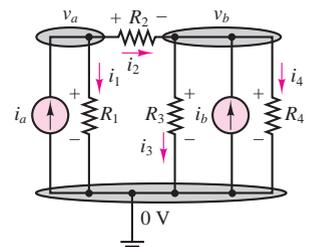


Figure 3.8

and rewrite the equations to obtain a linear system:

$$\left(\frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2}\right)v_a + \left(-\frac{1}{R_2}\right)v_b = i_a$$

$$\left(-\frac{1}{R_2}\right)v_a + \left(\frac{1}{R_2} + \frac{1}{R_3} + \frac{1}{R_4}\right)v_b = i_b$$

4. Substituting the numerical values in these equations, we get

$$3 \times 10^{-3}v_a - 2 \times 10^{-3}v_b = 1 \times 10^{-3}$$

$$-2 \times 10^{-3}v_a + 2.67 \times 10^{-3}v_b = 2 \times 10^{-3}$$

or

$$3v_a - 2v_b = 1$$

$$-2v_a + 2.67v_b = 2$$

The solution  $v_a = 1.667$  V,  $v_b = 2$  V may then be obtained by solving the system of equations.



### EXAMPLE 3.4 Solution of Linear System of Equations Using Cramer's Rule

#### Problem

Solve the circuit equations obtained in Example 3.3, using Cramer's rule (see Appendix A available online).

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Linear system of equations.

**Find:** Node voltages.

**Analysis:** The system of equations generated in Example 3.3 may also be solved by using linear algebra methods, by recognizing that the system of equations can be written as

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ -2 & 2.67 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_a \\ v_b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

By using Cramer's rule (see Appendix A), the solution for the two unknown variables  $v_a$  and  $v_b$  can be written as follows:

$$v_a = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 2 & 2.67 \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ -2 & 2.67 \end{vmatrix}} = \frac{(1)(2.67) - (-2)(2)}{(3)(2.67) - (-2)(-2)} = \frac{6.67}{4} = 1.667 \text{ V}$$

$$v_b = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ -2 & 2 \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ -2 & 2.67 \end{vmatrix}} = \frac{(3)(2) - (-2)(1)}{(3)(2.67) - (-2)(-2)} = \frac{8}{4} = 2 \text{ V}$$

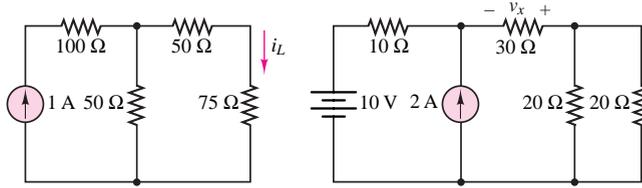
The result is the same as in Example 3.3.

**Comments:** While Cramer's rule is an efficient solution method for simple circuits (e.g., two nodes), it is customary to use computer-aided methods for larger circuits. Once the nodal

equations have been set in the general form presented in equation 3.9, a variety of computer aids may be employed to compute the solution.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Find the current  $i_L$  in the circuit shown on the left, using the node voltage method.



Find the voltage  $v_x$  by the node voltage method for the circuit shown on the right. Show that the answer to Example 3.3 is correct by applying KCL at one or more nodes.

Answers:  $0.2857 \text{ A}$ ;  $-18 \text{ V}$

## EXAMPLE 3.5

### Problem

Use the node voltage analysis to determine the voltage  $v$  in the circuit of Figure 3.9. Assume that  $R_1 = 2 \Omega$ ,  $R_2 = 1 \Omega$ ,  $R_3 = 4 \Omega$ ,  $R_4 = 3 \Omega$ ,  $I_1 = 2 \text{ A}$ , and  $I_2 = 3 \text{ A}$ .

### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Values of the resistors and the current sources.

**Find:** Voltage across  $R_3$ .

**Analysis:** Once again, we follow the steps outlined in the Focus on Methodology box.

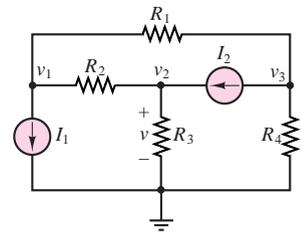
1. The reference node is denoted in Figure 3.9.
2. Next, we define the three node voltages  $v_1$ ,  $v_2$ ,  $v_3$ , as shown in Figure 3.9.
3. Apply KCL at each of the  $n - 1$  nodes, expressing each current in terms of the adjacent node voltages.

$$\frac{v_3 - v_1}{R_1} + \frac{v_2 - v_1}{R_2} - I_1 = 0 \quad \text{node 1}$$

$$\frac{v_1 - v_2}{R_2} - \frac{v_2}{R_3} + I_2 = 0 \quad \text{node 2}$$

$$\frac{v_1 - v_3}{R_1} - \frac{v_3}{R_4} - I_2 = 0 \quad \text{node 3}$$

4. Solve the linear system of  $n - 1 - m$  unknowns. Finally, we write the system of equations resulting from the application of KCL at the three nodes associated with



**Figure 3.9** Circuit for Example 3.5

independent variables:

$$(-1 - 2)v_1 + 2v_2 + 1v_3 = 4 \quad \text{node 1}$$

$$4v_1 + (-1 - 4)v_2 + 0v_3 = -12 \quad \text{node 2}$$

$$3v_1 + 0v_2 + (-2 - 3)v_3 = 18 \quad \text{node 3}$$

The resulting system of three equations in three unknowns can now be solved. Starting with the node 2 and node 3 equations, we write

$$v_2 = \frac{4v_1 + 12}{5}$$

$$v_3 = \frac{3v_1 - 18}{5}$$

Substituting each of variables  $v_2$  and  $v_3$  into the node 1 equation and solving for  $v_1$  provides

$$-3v_1 + 2 \cdot \frac{4v_1 + 12}{5} + 1 \cdot \frac{3v_1 - 18}{5} = 4 \quad \Rightarrow \quad v_1 = -3.5 \text{ V}$$

After substituting  $v_1$  into the node 2 and node 3 equations, we obtain

$$v_2 = -0.4 \text{ V} \quad \text{and} \quad v_3 = -5.7 \text{ V}$$

Therefore, we find

$$v = v_2 = -0.4 \text{ V}$$

**Comments:** Note that we have chosen to assign a plus sign to currents entering a node and a minus sign to currents exiting a node; this choice is arbitrary (the opposite sign convention could be used), but we shall use it consistently in this book.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Repeat the exercise of Example 3.5 when the direction of the current sources becomes the opposite. Find  $v$ .

Answer:  $v = 0.4 \text{ V}$



## Node Analysis with Voltage Sources

In the preceding examples, we considered exclusively circuits containing current sources. It is natural that one will also encounter circuits containing voltage sources, in practice. The circuit of Figure 3.10 is used to illustrate how node analysis is applied to a circuit containing voltage sources. Once again, we follow the steps outlined in the Focus on Methodology box.

*Step 1: Select a reference node (usually ground). This node usually has most elements tied to it. All other nodes will be referenced to this node.*

The reference node is denoted by the ground symbol in Figure 3.10.

*Step 2: Define the remaining  $n - 1$  node voltages as the independent or dependent variables. Each of the  $m$  voltage sources in the circuit will be associated with a*

dependent variable. If a node is not connected to a voltage source, then its voltage is treated as an independent variable.

Next, we define the three node voltages  $v_a$ ,  $v_b$ ,  $v_c$ , as shown in Figure 3.10. We note that  $v_a$  is a dependent voltage. We write a simple equation for this dependent voltage, noting that  $v_a$  is equal to the source voltage  $v_S$ :  $v_a = v_S$ .

Step 3: Apply KCL at each node labeled as an independent variable, expressing each current in terms of the adjacent node voltages.

We apply KCL at the two nodes associated with the independent variables  $v_b$  and  $v_c$ :

At node  $b$ :

$$\frac{v_a - v_b}{R_1} - \frac{v_b - 0}{R_2} - \frac{v_b - v_c}{R_3} = 0 \quad (3.10a)$$

or 
$$\frac{v_S - v_b}{R_1} - \frac{v_b}{R_2} - \frac{v_b - v_c}{R_3} = 0$$

At node  $c$ :

$$\frac{v_b - v_c}{R_3} - \frac{v_c}{R_4} + i_S = 0 \quad (3.10b)$$

Step 4: Solve the linear system of  $n - 1 - m$  unknowns.

Finally, we write the system of equations resulting from the application of KCL at the two nodes associated with independent variables:

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} + \frac{1}{R_3}\right)v_b + \left(-\frac{1}{R_3}\right)v_c &= \frac{1}{R_1}v_S \\ \left(-\frac{1}{R_3}\right)v_b + \left(\frac{1}{R_3} + \frac{1}{R_4}\right)v_c &= i_S \end{aligned} \quad (3.11)$$

The resulting system of two equations in two unknowns can now be solved.

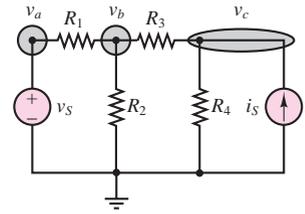


Figure 3.10 Node analysis with voltage sources

### EXAMPLE 3.6



#### Problem

Use node analysis to determine the current  $i$  flowing through the voltage source in the circuit of Figure 3.11. Assume that  $R_1 = 2 \Omega$ ,  $R_2 = 2 \Omega$ ,  $R_3 = 4 \Omega$ ,  $R_4 = 3 \Omega$ ,  $I = 2 \text{ A}$ , and  $V = 3 \text{ V}$ .

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Resistance values; current and voltage source values.

**Find:** The current  $i$  through the voltage source.

**Analysis:** Once again, we follow the steps outlined in the Focus on Methodology box.

1. The reference node is denoted in Figure 3.11.
2. We define the three node voltages  $v_1$ ,  $v_2$ , and  $v_3$ , as shown in Figure 3.11. We note that  $v_2$  and  $v_3$  are dependent on each other. One way to represent this dependency is to treat  $v_2$

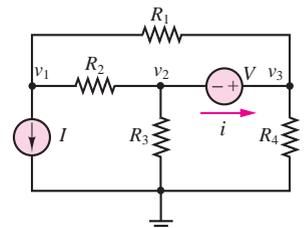


Figure 3.11 Circuit for Example 3.6

as an independent voltage and to observe that  $v_3 = v_2 + 3 \text{ V}$ , since the potential at node 3 must be 3 V higher than at node 2 by virtue of the presence of the voltage source. Note that since we have an expression for the voltage at node 3 in terms of  $v_2$ , we will only need to write two nodal equations to solve this three-node circuit.

3. We apply KCL at the two nodes associated with the independent variables  $v_1$  and  $v_2$ :

$$\frac{v_3 - v_1}{R_1} + \frac{v_2 - v_1}{R_2} - I = 0 \quad \text{node 1}$$

$$\frac{v_1 - v_2}{R_2} - \frac{v_2}{R_3} - i = 0 \quad \text{node 2}$$

where 
$$i = \frac{v_3 - v_1}{R_1} + \frac{v_3}{R_4}$$

Rearranging the node 2 equation by substituting the value of  $i$  yields

$$\frac{v_1 - v_2}{R_2} - \frac{v_2}{R_3} - \frac{v_3 - v_1}{R_1} - \frac{v_3}{R_4} = 0 \quad \text{node 2}$$

4. Finally, we write the system of equations resulting from the application of KCL at the two nodes associated with independent variables:

$$-2v_1 + 1v_2 + 1v_3 = 4 \quad \text{node 1}$$

$$12v_1 + (-9)v_2 + (-10)v_3 = 0 \quad \text{node 2}$$

Considering that  $v_3 = v_2 + 3 \text{ V}$ , we write

$$-2v_1 + 2v_2 = 1$$

$$12v_1 + (-19)v_2 = 30$$

The resulting system of the two equations in two unknowns can now be solved. Solving the two equations for  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  gives

$$v_1 = -5.64 \text{ V} \quad \text{and} \quad v_2 = -5.14 \text{ V}$$

This provides

$$v_3 = v_2 + 3 \text{ V} = -2.14 \text{ V}$$

Therefore, the current through the voltage source  $i$  is

$$i = \frac{v_3 - v_1}{R_1} + \frac{v_3}{R_4} = \frac{-2.14 + 5.64}{2} + \frac{-2.14}{3} = 1.04 \text{ A}$$

**Comments:** Knowing all the three node voltages, we now can compute the current flowing through each of the resistances as follows:  $i_1 = |v_3 - v_1|/R_1$  (to left),  $i_2 = |v_2 - v_1|/R_2$  (to left),  $i_3 = |v_2|/R_3$  (upward), and  $i_4 = |v_3|/R_4$  (upward).

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Repeat the exercise of Example 3.6 when the direction of the current source becomes the opposite. Find the node voltages and  $i$ .

Answer:  $v_1 = 5.21 \text{ V}$ ,  $v_2 = 1.71 \text{ V}$ ,  $v_3 = 4.71 \text{ V}$ , and  $i = 1.32 \text{ A}$

### 3.3 THE MESH CURRENT METHOD

The second method of circuit analysis discussed in this chapter employs **mesh currents** as the independent variables. The idea is to write the appropriate number of independent equations, using mesh currents as the independent variables. Subsequent application of Kirchhoff's voltage law around each mesh provides the desired system of equations.

In the mesh current method, we observe that a current flowing through a resistor in a specified direction defines the polarity of the voltage across the resistor, as illustrated in Figure 3.12, and that the sum of the voltages around a closed circuit must equal zero, by KVL. Once a convention is established regarding the direction of current flow around a mesh, simple application of KVL provides the desired equation. Figure 3.13 illustrates this point.

The number of equations one obtains by this technique is equal to the number of meshes in the circuit. All branch currents and voltages may subsequently be obtained from the mesh currents, as will presently be shown. Since meshes are easily identified in a circuit, this method provides a very efficient and systematic procedure for the analysis of electric circuits. The following box outlines the procedure used in applying the mesh current method to a linear circuit.

In mesh analysis, it is important to be consistent in choosing the direction of current flow. To avoid confusion in writing the circuit equations, unknown mesh currents are defined exclusively clockwise when we are using this method. To illustrate the mesh current method, consider the simple two-mesh circuit shown in Figure 3.14. This circuit is used to generate two equations in the two unknowns, the mesh currents  $i_1$  and  $i_2$ . It is instructive to first consider each mesh by itself. Beginning with mesh 1, note that the voltages around the mesh have been assigned in Figure 3.15 according to the direction of the mesh current  $i_1$ . Recall that as long as signs are assigned consistently, an arbitrary direction may be assumed for any current in a circuit; if the resulting numerical answer for the current is negative, then the chosen reference direction is opposite to the direction of actual current flow. Thus, one need not be concerned about the actual direction of current flow in mesh analysis, once the directions of the mesh currents have been assigned. The correct solution will result, eventually.

According to the sign convention, then, the voltages  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  are defined as shown in Figure 3.15. Now, it is important to observe that while mesh current  $i_1$  is equal to the current flowing through resistor  $R_1$  (and is therefore also the branch current through  $R_1$ ), it is not equal to the current through  $R_2$ . The branch current through  $R_2$  is the difference between the two mesh currents  $i_1 - i_2$ . Thus, since the polarity of voltage  $v_2$  has already been assigned, according to the convention discussed in the previous paragraph, it follows that the voltage  $v_2$  is given by

$$v_2 = (i_1 - i_2)R_2 \quad (3.12)$$

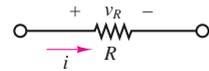
Finally, the complete expression for mesh 1 is

$$v_S - i_1R_1 - (i_1 - i_2)R_2 = 0 \quad (3.13)$$

The same line of reasoning applies to the second mesh. Figure 3.16 depicts the voltage assignment around the second mesh, following the clockwise direction of mesh current  $i_2$ . The mesh current  $i_2$  is also the branch current through resistors  $R_3$  and  $R_4$ ; however, the current through the resistor that is shared by the two meshes, denoted by  $R_2$ , is now equal to  $i_2 - i_1$ ; the voltage across this resistor is

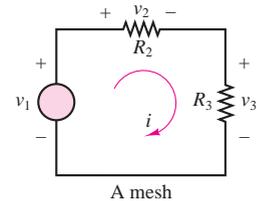
$$v_2 = (i_2 - i_1)R_2 \quad (3.14)$$

The current  $i$ , defined as flowing from left to right, establishes the polarity of the voltage across  $R$ .

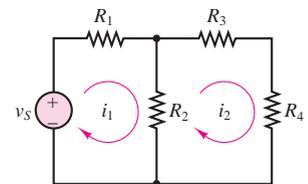


**Figure 3.12** Basic principle of mesh analysis

Once the direction of current flow has been selected, KVL requires that  $v_1 - v_2 - v_3 = 0$ .

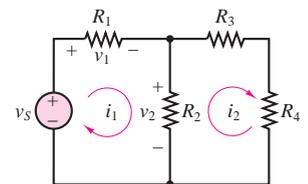


**Figure 3.13** Use of KVL in mesh analysis



**Figure 3.14** A two-mesh circuit

Mesh 1: KVL requires that  $v_S - v_1 - v_2 = 0$ , where  $v_1 = i_1R_1$ ,  $v_2 = (i_1 - i_2)R_2$ .



**Figure 3.15** Assignment of currents and voltages around mesh 1

Mesh 2: KVL requires that

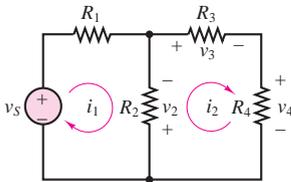
$$v_2 + v_3 + v_4 = 0$$

where

$$v_2 = (i_2 - i_1)R_2$$

$$v_3 = i_2R_3$$

$$v_4 = i_2R_4$$



**Figure 3.16** Assignment of currents and voltages around mesh 2

and the complete expression for mesh 2 is

$$(i_2 - i_1)R_2 + i_2R_3 + i_2R_4 = 0 \quad (3.15)$$

Why is the expression for  $v_2$  obtained in equation 3.14 different from equation 3.12? The reason for this apparent discrepancy is that the voltage assignment for each mesh was dictated by the (clockwise) mesh current. Thus, since the mesh currents flow through  $R_2$  in opposing directions, the voltage assignments for  $v_2$  in the two meshes are also opposite. This is perhaps a potential source of confusion in applying the mesh current method; you should be very careful to carry out the assignment of the voltages around each mesh separately.

Combining the equations for the two meshes, we obtain the following system of equations:

$$\begin{aligned} (R_1 + R_2)i_1 - R_2i_2 &= v_S \\ -R_2i_1 + (R_2 + R_3 + R_4)i_2 &= 0 \end{aligned} \quad (3.16)$$

These equations may be solved simultaneously to obtain the desired solution, namely, the mesh currents  $i_1$  and  $i_2$ . You should verify that knowledge of the mesh currents permits determination of all the other voltages and currents in the circuit. Examples 3.7, 3.8, and 3.9 further illustrate some of the details of this method.



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### MESH CURRENT ANALYSIS METHOD

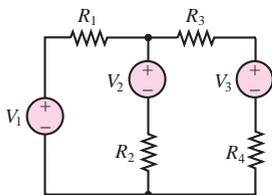
1. Define each mesh current consistently. Unknown mesh currents will be always defined in the clockwise direction; known mesh currents (i.e., when a current source is present) will always be defined in the direction of the current source.
2. In a circuit with  $n$  meshes and  $m$  current sources,  $n - m$  independent equations will result. The unknown mesh currents are the  $n - m$  independent variables.
3. Apply KVL to each mesh containing an unknown mesh current, expressing each voltage in terms of one or more mesh currents.
4. Solve the linear system of  $n - m$  unknowns.



### EXAMPLE 3.7 Mesh Analysis

#### Problem

Find the mesh currents in the circuit of Figure 3.17.



**Figure 3.17**

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Source voltages; resistor values.

**Find:** Mesh currents.

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $V_1 = 10\text{ V}$ ;  $V_2 = 9\text{ V}$ ;  $V_3 = 1\text{ V}$ ;  
 $R_1 = 5\ \Omega$ ;  $R_2 = 10\ \Omega$ ;  $R_3 = 5\ \Omega$ ;  $R_4 = 5\ \Omega$ .

**Analysis:** We follow the steps outlined in the Focus on Methodology box.

1. Assume clockwise mesh currents  $i_1$  and  $i_2$ .
2. The circuit of Figure 3.17 will yield two equations in the two unknowns  $i_1$  and  $i_2$ .
3. It is instructive to consider each mesh separately in writing the mesh equations; to this end, Figure 3.18 depicts the appropriate voltage assignments around the two meshes, based on the assumed directions of the mesh currents. From Figure 3.18, we write the mesh equations:

$$\begin{aligned} V_1 - R_1 i_1 - V_2 - R_2(i_1 - i_2) &= 0 \\ R_2(i_1 - i_2) + V_2 - R_3 i_2 - V_3 - R_4 i_2 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

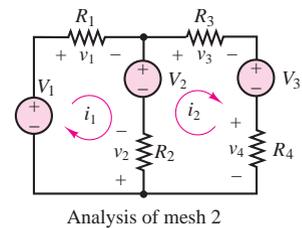
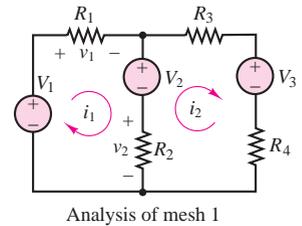
Rearranging the linear system of the equation, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} 15i_1 - 10i_2 &= 1 \\ -10i_1 + 20i_2 &= 8 \end{aligned}$$

4. The equations above can be solved to obtain  $i_1$  and  $i_2$ :

$$i_1 = 0.5\text{ A} \quad \text{and} \quad i_2 = 0.65\text{ A}$$

**Comments:** Note how the voltage  $v_2$  across resistor  $R_2$  has different polarity in Figure 3.18, depending on whether we are working in mesh 1 or mesh 2.



**Figure 3.18**

### EXAMPLE 3.8 Mesh Analysis

#### Problem

Write the mesh current equations for the circuit of Figure 3.19.

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Source voltages; resistor values.

**Find:** Mesh current equations.

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $V_1 = 12\text{ V}$ ;  $V_2 = 6\text{ V}$ ;  $R_1 = 3\ \Omega$ ;  
 $R_2 = 8\ \Omega$ ;  $R_3 = 6\ \Omega$ ;  $R_4 = 4\ \Omega$ .

**Analysis:** We follow the Focus on Methodology steps.

1. Assume clockwise mesh currents  $i_1$ ,  $i_2$ , and  $i_3$ .
2. We recognize three independent variables, since there are no current sources. Starting from mesh 1, we apply KVL to obtain

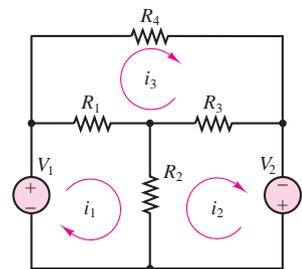
$$V_1 - R_1(i_1 - i_3) - R_2(i_1 - i_2) = 0$$

KVL applied to mesh 2 yields

$$-R_2(i_2 - i_1) - R_3(i_2 - i_3) + V_2 = 0$$

while in mesh 3 we find

$$-R_1(i_3 - i_1) - R_4 i_3 - R_3(i_3 - i_2) = 0$$



**Figure 3.19**

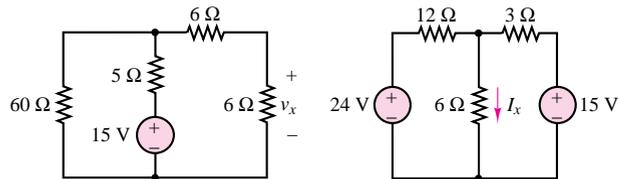
These equations can be rearranged in standard form to obtain

$$\begin{aligned}(3 + 8)i_1 - 8i_2 - 3i_3 &= 12 \\ -8i_1 + (6 + 8)i_2 - 6i_3 &= 6 \\ -3i_1 - 6i_2 + (3 + 6 + 4)i_3 &= 0\end{aligned}$$

You may verify that KVL holds around any one of the meshes, as a test to check that the answer is indeed correct.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Find the unknown voltage  $v_x$  by mesh current analysis in the circuit on the left.



Find the unknown current  $I_x$ , using the mesh current method in the circuit on the right.

Answers: 5 V; 2 A



## EXAMPLE 3.9 Mesh Analysis

### Problem

The circuit of Figure 3.20 is a simplified DC circuit model of a three-wire electrical distribution service to residential and commercial buildings. The two ideal sources and the resistances  $R_4$  and  $R_5$  represent the equivalent circuit of the distribution system;  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  represent 110-V lighting and utility loads of 800 and 300 W, respectively. Resistance  $R_3$  represents a 220-V heating load of about 3 kW. Determine the voltages across the three loads.

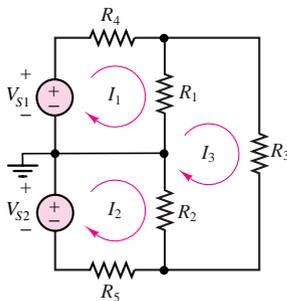


Figure 3.20

### Solution

**Known Quantities:** The values of the voltage sources and of the resistors in the circuit of Figure 3.20 are  $V_{S1} = V_{S2} = 110$  V;  $R_4 = R_5 = 1.3$   $\Omega$ ;  $R_1 = 15$   $\Omega$ ;  $R_2 = 40$   $\Omega$ ;  $R_3 = 16$   $\Omega$ .

**Find:**  $v_1$ ,  $v_2$ , and  $v_3$ .

**Analysis:** We follow the mesh current analysis method.

1. The (three) clockwise unknown mesh currents are shown in Figure 3.20. Next, we write the mesh equations.
2. No current sources are present; thus we have three independent variables. Applying KVL to each mesh containing an unknown mesh current and expressing each voltage in terms

of one or more mesh currents, we get the following:

Mesh 1:

$$V_{S1} - R_4 I_1 - R_1(I_1 - I_3) = 0$$

Mesh 2:

$$V_{S2} - R_2(I_2 - I_3) - R_5 I_2 = 0$$

Mesh 3:

$$-R_1(I_3 - I_1) - R_3 I_3 - R_2(I_3 - I_2) = 0$$

With some rearrangements, we obtain the following system of three equations in three unknown mesh currents.

$$\begin{aligned} -(R_1 + R_4)I_1 + R_1 I_3 &= -V_{S1} \\ -(R_2 + R_5)I_2 + R_2 I_3 &= -V_{S2} \\ R_1 I_1 + R_2 I_2 - (R_1 + R_2 + R_3)I_3 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Next, we substitute numerical values for the elements and express the equations in a matrix form as shown.

$$\begin{bmatrix} -16.3 & 0 & 15 \\ 0 & -41.3 & 40 \\ 15 & 40 & -71 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} I_1 \\ I_2 \\ I_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -110 \\ -110 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

which can be expressed as

$$[R][I] = [V]$$

with a solution of

$$[I] = [R]^{-1}[V]$$

The solution to the matrix problem can then be carried out using manual or numerical techniques. In this case, we have used MATLAB<sup>TM</sup> to compute the inverse of the  $3 \times 3$  matrix. Using MATLAB<sup>TM</sup> to compute the inverse matrix, we obtain

$$[R]^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} -0.1072 & -0.0483 & -0.0499 \\ -0.0483 & -0.0750 & -0.0525 \\ -0.0499 & -0.0525 & -0.0542 \end{bmatrix}$$

The value of current in each mesh can now be determined:

$$[I] = [R]^{-1}[V] = \begin{bmatrix} -0.1072 & -0.0483 & -0.0499 \\ -0.0483 & -0.0750 & -0.0525 \\ -0.0499 & -0.0525 & -0.0542 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -110 \\ -110 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 17.11 \\ 13.57 \\ 11.26 \end{bmatrix}$$

Therefore, we find

$$I_1 = 17.11 \text{ A} \quad I_2 = 13.57 \text{ A} \quad I_3 = 11.26 \text{ A}$$

We can now obtain the voltages across the three loads, keeping in mind the ground location:

$$\begin{aligned} V_{R_1} &= R_1(I_1 - I_3) = 87.75 \text{ V} \\ V_{R_2} &= -R_2(I_2 - I_3) = -92.40 \text{ V} \\ V_{R_3} &= R_3 I_3 = 180.16 \text{ V} \end{aligned}$$

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

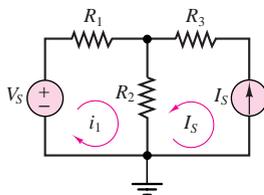
Repeat the exercise of Example 3.9, using node voltage analysis instead of the mesh current analysis.

Answer:  $V_{R1} = 87.75 \text{ V}$ ,  $V_{R2} = -92.40 \text{ V}$ ,  $V_{R3} = 180.16 \text{ V}$



## Mesh Analysis with Current Sources

In the preceding examples, we considered exclusively circuits containing voltage sources. It is natural to also encounter circuits containing current sources, in practice. The circuit of Figure 3.21 illustrates how mesh analysis is applied to a circuit containing current sources. Once again, we follow the steps outlined in the Focus on Methodology box.



**Figure 3.21** Circuit used to demonstrate mesh analysis with current sources

**Step 1:** Define each mesh current consistently. Unknown mesh currents are always defined in the clockwise direction; known mesh currents (i.e., when a current source is present) are always defined in the direction of the current source.

The mesh currents are shown in Figure 3.21. Note that since a current source defines the current in mesh 2, this (known) mesh current is in the counterclockwise direction.

**Step 2:** In a circuit with  $n$  meshes and  $m$  current sources,  $n - m$  independent equations will result. The unknown mesh currents are the  $n - m$  independent variables.

In this illustration, the presence of the current source has significantly simplified the problem: There is only one unknown mesh current, and it is  $i_1$ .

**Step 3:** Apply KVL to each mesh containing an unknown mesh current, expressing each voltage in terms of one or more mesh currents.

We apply KVL around the mesh containing the unknown mesh current:

$$V_S - R_1 i_1 - R_2 (i_1 + I_S) = 0 \quad (3.17)$$

$$\text{or} \quad (R_1 + R_2) i_1 = V_S - R_2 I_S$$

**Step 4:** Solve the linear system of  $n - m$  unknowns.

$$i_1 = \frac{V_S - R_2 I_S}{R_1 + R_2} \quad (3.18)$$



## EXAMPLE 3.10 Mesh Analysis with Current Sources

### Problem

Find the mesh currents in the circuit of Figure 3.22.

**Solution**

**Known Quantities:** Source current and voltage; resistor values.

**Find:** Mesh currents.

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $I = 0.5 \text{ A}$ ;  $V = 6 \text{ V}$ ;  $R_1 = 3 \ \Omega$ ;  $R_2 = 8 \ \Omega$ ;  $R_3 = 6 \ \Omega$ ;  $R_4 = 4 \ \Omega$ .

**Analysis:** We follow the Focus on Measurements steps.

1. Assume clockwise mesh currents  $i_1$ ,  $i_2$ , and  $i_3$ .
2. Starting from mesh 1, we see immediately that the current source forces the mesh current to be equal to  $I$ :

$$i_1 = I$$

3. There is no need to write any further equations around mesh 1, since we already know the value of the mesh current. Now we turn to meshes 2 and 3 to obtain

$$-R_2(i_2 - i_1) - R_3(i_2 - i_3) + V = 0 \quad \text{mesh 2}$$

$$-R_1(i_3 - i_1) - R_4i_3 - R_3(i_3 - i_2) = 0 \quad \text{mesh 3}$$

Rearranging the equations and substituting the known value of  $i_1$ , we obtain a system of two equations in two unknowns:

$$14i_2 - 6i_3 = 10$$

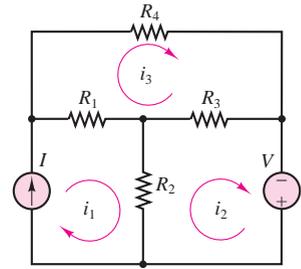
$$-6i_2 + 13i_3 = 1.5$$

4. These can be solved to obtain

$$i_2 = 0.95 \text{ A} \quad i_3 = 0.55 \text{ A}$$

As usual, you should verify that the solution is correct by applying KVL.

**Comments:** Note that the current source has actually simplified the problem by constraining a mesh current to a fixed value.



**Figure 3.22**

**CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING**

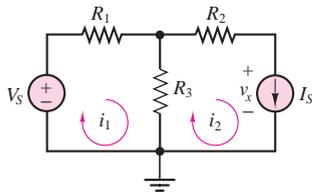
Show that the equations given in Example 3.10 are correct, by applying KCL at each node.

**EXAMPLE 3.11 Mesh Analysis with Current Sources****Problem**

Find the unknown voltage  $v_x$  in the circuit of Figure 3.23.

**Solution**

**Known Quantities:** The values of the voltage sources and of the resistors in the circuit of Figure 3.23:  $V_S = 10 \text{ V}$ ;  $I_S = 2 \text{ A}$ ;  $R_1 = 5 \ \Omega$ ;  $R_2 = 2 \ \Omega$ ; and  $R_3 = 4 \ \Omega$ .



**Figure 3.23** Illustration of mesh analysis in the presence of current sources

**Find:**  $v_x$ .

**Analysis:** We observe that the second mesh current must be equal to the current source:

$$i_2 = I_S$$

Thus, the unknown voltage,  $v_x$ , can be obtained applying KVL to mesh 2:

$$(i_1 - i_2)R_3 - i_2R_2 - v_x = 0$$

$$v_x = (i_1 - i_2)R_3 - i_2R_2 = i_1R_3 - i_2(R_2 + R_3)$$

To find the current  $i_1$  we apply KVL to mesh 1:

$$V_S - i_1R_1 - (i_1 - i_2)R_3 = 0$$

$$V_S + i_2R_3 = i_1(R_1 + R_3)$$

but since  $i_2 = I_S$

$$i_1 = \frac{V_S + I_S R_3}{(R_1 + R_3)} = \frac{10 + 2 \times 4}{5 + 4} = 2 \text{ A}$$

**Comments:** Note that the presence of the current source reduces the number of unknown mesh currents by one. Thus, we were able to find  $v_x$  without the need to solve simultaneous equations.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Find the value of the current  $i_1$  if the value of the current source is changed to 1 A.

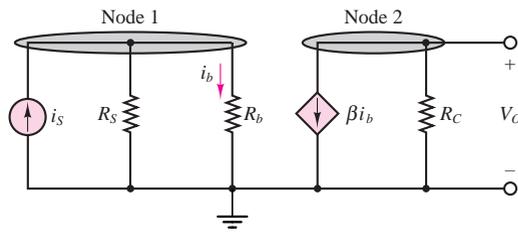
Answer: 1.71 A

## 3.4 NODE AND MESH ANALYSIS WITH CONTROLLED SOURCES



The methods just described also apply, with relatively minor modifications, in the presence of dependent (controlled) sources. Solution methods that allow for the presence of controlled sources are particularly useful in the study of *transistor amplifiers* in Chapters 8 and 9. Recall from the discussion in Section 2.1 that a dependent source generates a voltage or current that depends on the value of another voltage or current in the circuit. When a dependent source is present in a circuit to be analyzed by node or mesh analysis, we can initially treat it as an ideal source and write the node or mesh equations accordingly. In addition to the equation obtained in this fashion, there is an equation relating the dependent source to one of the circuit voltages or currents. This **constraint equation** can then be substituted in the set of equations obtained by the techniques of node and mesh analysis, and the equations can subsequently be solved for the unknowns.

It is important to remark that once the constraint equation has been substituted in the initial system of equations, the number of unknowns remains unchanged.



**Figure 3.24** Circuit with dependent source

Consider, for example, the circuit of Figure 3.24, which is a simplified model of a bipolar transistor amplifier (transistors are introduced in Chapter 9). In the circuit of Figure 3.24, two nodes are easily recognized, and therefore node analysis is chosen as the preferred method. Applying KCL at node 1, we obtain the following equation:

$$i_s = v_1 \left( \frac{1}{R_S} + \frac{1}{R_b} \right) \quad (3.19)$$

KCL applied at the second node yields

$$\beta i_b + \frac{v_2}{R_C} = 0 \quad (3.20)$$

Next, observe that current  $i_b$  can be determined by means of a simple current divider:

$$i_b = i_s \frac{1/R_b}{1/R_b + 1/R_S} = i_s \frac{R_S}{R_b + R_S} \quad (3.21)$$

This is the *constraint equation*, which when inserted in equation 3.20, yields a system of two equations:

$$\begin{aligned} i_s &= v_1 \left( \frac{1}{R_S} + \frac{1}{R_b} \right) \\ -\beta i_s \frac{R_S}{R_b + R_S} &= \frac{v_2}{R_C} \end{aligned} \quad (3.22)$$

which can be used to solve for  $v_1$  and  $v_2$ . Note that, in this particular case, the two equations are independent of each other. Example 3.12 illustrates a case in which the resulting equations are not independent.

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### EXAMPLE 3.12 Analysis with Dependent Sources

#### Problem

Find the node voltages in the circuit of Figure 3.25.

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Source current; resistor values; dependent voltage source relationship.



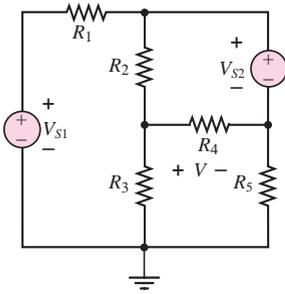


Figure 3.25

**Find:** Unknown node voltage  $v$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $I = 0.5 \text{ A}$ ;  $R_1 = 5 \Omega$ ;  $R_2 = 2 \Omega$ ;  $R_3 = 4 \Omega$ . Dependent source relationship:  $v_x = 2 \times v_3$ .

**Analysis:**

1. Assume the reference node is at the bottom of the circuit. Use node analysis.
2. The two independent variables are  $v$  and  $v_3$ .
3. Applying KCL to node  $v$ , we find that

$$\frac{v_x - v}{R_1} + I - \frac{v - v_3}{R_2} = 0$$

Applying KCL to node  $v_3$ , we find

$$\frac{v - v_3}{R_2} - \frac{v_3}{R_3} = 0$$

If we substitute the dependent source relationship into the first equation, we obtain a system of equations in the two unknowns  $v$  and  $v_3$ :

$$\left(\frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2}\right)v + \left(-\frac{2}{R_1} - \frac{1}{R_2}\right)v_3 = I$$

$$\left(-\frac{1}{R_2}\right)v + \left(\frac{1}{R_2} + \frac{1}{R_3}\right)v_3 = 0$$

4. Substituting numerical values, we obtain

$$0.7v - 0.9v_3 = 0.5$$

$$-0.5v + 0.75v_3 = 0$$

Solution of the above equations yields  $v = 5 \text{ V}$ ;  $v_3 = 3.33 \text{ V}$ .

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Solve the same circuit if  $v_x = 2I$ .

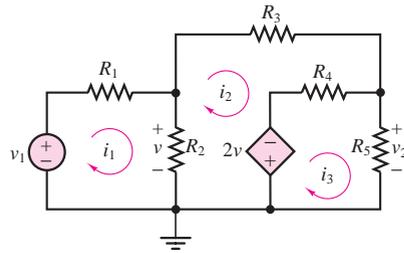
Answer:  $v = 5 \text{ V}$ ;  $v_3 = 3.33 \text{ V}$



## EXAMPLE 3.13 Mesh Analysis with Dependent Sources

### Problem

Determine the voltage “gain”  $A_v = v_2/v_1$  in the circuit of Figure 3.26.



**Figure 3.26** Circuit containing dependent source

### Solution

**Known Quantities:** The values of the voltage sources and of the resistors in the circuit of Figure 3.26 are  $R_1 = 1 \Omega$ ;  $R_2 = 0.5 \Omega$ ;  $R_3 = 0.25 \Omega$ ;  $R_4 = 0.25 \Omega$ ;  $R_5 = 0.25 \Omega$ .

**Find:**  $A_v = v_2/v_1$ .

**Analysis:** We note first that the two voltages we seek can be expressed as follows:  $v = R_2(i_1 - i_2)$ , and  $v_2 = R_5 i_3$ . Next, we follow the mesh current analysis method.

1. The mesh currents are defined in Figure 3.26.
2. No current sources are present; thus we have three independent variables, the currents  $i_1$ ,  $i_2$ , and  $i_3$ .
3. Apply KVL at each mesh.

For mesh 1:

$$v_1 - R_1 i_1 - R_2(i_1 - i_2) = 0$$

or rearranging the equation gives

$$(R_1 + R_2)i_1 + (-R_2)i_2 + (0)i_3 = v_1$$

For mesh 2:

$$v - R_3 i_2 - R_4(i_2 - i_3) + 2v = 0$$

Rearranging the equation and substituting the expression  $v = -R_2(i_2 - i_1)$ , we obtain

$$-R_2(i_2 - i_1) - R_3 i_2 - R_4(i_2 - i_3) - 2R_2(i_2 - i_1) = 0$$

$$(-3R_2)i_1 + (3R_2 + R_3 + R_4)i_2 - (R_4)i_3 = 0$$

For mesh 3:

$$-2v - R_4(i_3 - i_2) - R_5 i_3 = 0$$

substituting the expression for  $v = R_2(i_1 - i_2)$  and rearranging, we obtain

$$-2R_2(i_1 - i_2) - R_4(i_3 - i_2) - R_5 i_3 = 0$$

$$2R_2 i_1 - (2R_2 + R_4)i_2 + (R_4 + R_5)i_3 = 0$$

Finally, we can write the system of equations

$$\begin{bmatrix} (R_1 + R_2) & (-R_2) & 0 \\ (-3R_2) & (3R_2 + R_3 + R_4) & (-R_4) \\ (2R_2) & -(2R_2 + R_4) & (R_4 + R_5) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} i_1 \\ i_2 \\ i_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

which can be written as

$$[R][i] = [v]$$

with solution

$$[i] = [R]^{-1}[v]$$

4. Solve the linear system of  $n - m$  unknowns. The system of equations is

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1.5 & -0.5 & 0 \\ -1.5 & 2 & -0.25 \\ 1 & -1.25 & 0.5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} i_1 \\ i_2 \\ i_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus, to solve for the unknown mesh currents, we must compute the inverse of the matrix of resistances  $R$ . Using MATLAB™ to compute the inverse, we obtain

$$[R]^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.88 & 0.32 & 0.16 \\ 0.64 & 0.96 & 0.48 \\ -0.16 & 1.76 & 2.88 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} i_1 \\ i_2 \\ i_3 \end{bmatrix} = [R]^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.88 & 0.32 & 0.16 \\ 0.64 & 0.96 & 0.48 \\ -0.16 & 1.76 & 2.88 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

and therefore

$$i_1 = 0.88v_1$$

$$i_2 = 0.64v_1$$

$$i_3 = -0.16v_1$$

Observing that  $v_2 = R_5 i_3$ , we can compute the desired answer:

$$v_2 = R_5 i_3 = R_5 (-0.16v_1) = 0.25(-0.16v_1)$$

$$A_v = \frac{v_2}{v_1} = \frac{-0.04v_1}{v_1} = -0.04$$

**Comments:** The MATLAB™ commands required to obtain the inverse of matrix  $R$  are listed below.

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R=[1.5 -0.5 0; -1.5 2 -0.25; 1 -1.25 0.5];
Rinv=inv(R);
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The presence of a dependent source did not really affect the solution method. Systematic application of mesh analysis provided the desired answer. Is mesh analysis the most efficient solution method? (*Hint:* See the exercise below.)

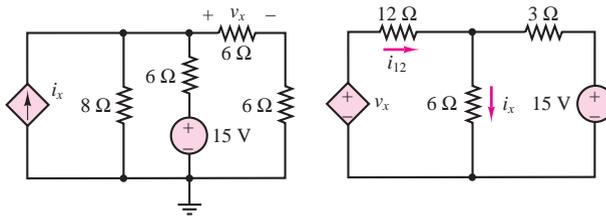
## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Determine the number of independent equations required to solve the circuit of Example 3.13 using node analysis. Which method would you use?

The current source  $i_x$  is related to the voltage  $v_x$  in the figure on the left by the relation

$$i_x = \frac{v_x}{3}$$

Find the voltage across the  $8\text{-}\Omega$  resistor by node analysis.



Find the unknown current  $i_x$  in the figure on the right, using the mesh current method. The dependent voltage source is related to current  $i_{12}$  through the  $12\text{-}\Omega$  resistor by  $v_x = 2i_{12}$ .

Answers: Two:  $12\text{ V}$ ;  $1.39\text{ A}$

### Remarks on Node Voltage and Mesh Current Methods

The techniques presented in this section and in Sections 3.2 and 3.3 find use more generally than just in the analysis of resistive circuits. These methods should be viewed as general techniques for the analysis of any linear circuit; they provide systematic and effective means of obtaining the minimum number of equations necessary to solve a network problem. Since these methods are based on the fundamental laws of circuit analysis, KVL and KCL, they also apply to electric circuits containing nonlinear circuit elements, such as those to be introduced later in this chapter.

You should master both methods as early as possible. Proficiency in these circuit analysis techniques will greatly simplify the learning process for more advanced concepts.

## 3.5 THE PRINCIPLE OF SUPERPOSITION

This brief section discusses a concept that is frequently called upon in the analysis of linear circuits. Rather than a precise analysis technique, like the mesh current and node voltage methods, the principle of superposition is a conceptual aid that can be very useful in visualizing the behavior of a circuit containing multiple sources. The *principle of superposition* applies to any linear system and for a linear circuit may be stated as follows:

In a linear circuit containing  $N$  sources, each branch voltage and current is the sum of  $N$  voltages and currents, each of which may be computed by setting all but one source equal to zero and solving the circuit containing that single source.

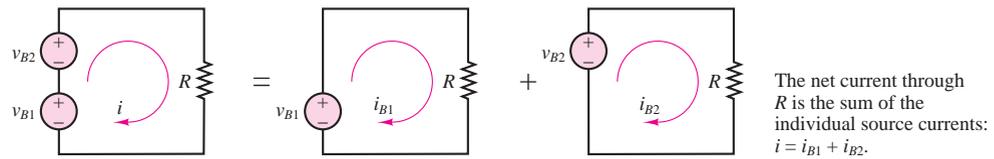


An elementary illustration of the concept may easily be obtained by simply considering a circuit with two sources connected in series, as shown in Figure 3.27.

The circuit of Figure 3.27 is more formally analyzed as follows. The current  $i$  flowing in the circuit on the left-hand side of Figure 3.27 may be expressed as

$$i = \frac{v_{B1} + v_{B2}}{R} = \frac{v_{B1}}{R} + \frac{v_{B2}}{R} = i_{B1} + i_{B2} \quad (3.23)$$

Figure 3.27 also depicts the circuit as being equivalent to the combined effects of



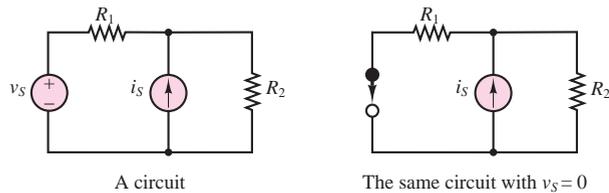
**Figure 3.27** The principle of superposition

two circuits, each containing a single source. In each of the two subcircuits, a short circuit has been substituted for the missing battery. This should appear as a sensible procedure, since a short circuit, by definition, will always “see” zero voltage across itself, and therefore this procedure is equivalent to “zeroing” the output of one of the voltage sources.

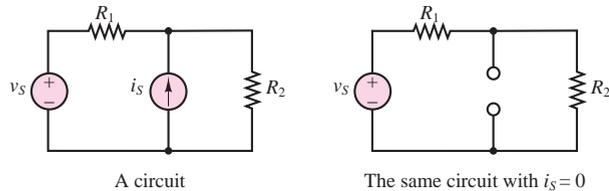
If, on the other hand, we wished to cancel the effects of a current source, it would stand to reason that an open circuit could be substituted for the current source, since an open circuit is, by definition, a circuit element through which no current can flow (and which therefore generates zero current). These basic principles are used frequently in the analysis of circuits and are summarized in Figure 3.28.



1. In order to set a voltage source equal to zero, we replace it with a short circuit.



2. In order to set a current source equal to zero, we replace it with an open circuit.



**Figure 3.28** Zeroing voltage and current sources

The principle of superposition can easily be applied to circuits containing multiple sources and is sometimes an effective solution technique. More often, however, other methods result in a more efficient solution. Example 3.14 further illustrates the use of superposition to analyze a simple network. The Check Your Understanding exercises at the end of the section illustrate the fact that superposition is often a cumbersome solution method.



### EXAMPLE 3.14 Principle of Superposition

#### Problem

Determine the current  $i_2$  in the circuit of Figure 3.29(a), using the principle of superposition.

**Solution**

**Known Quantities:** Source voltage and current values; resistor values.

**Find:** Unknown current  $i_2$ .

**Given Data:**  $V_S = 10\text{ V}$ ;  $I_S = 2\text{ A}$ ;  $R_1 = 5\ \Omega$ ;  $R_2 = 2\ \Omega$ ;  $R_3 = 4\ \Omega$ .

**Assumptions:** Assume the reference node is at the bottom of the circuit.

**Analysis:** *Part 1:* Zero the current source. Once the current source has been set to zero (replaced by an open circuit), the resulting circuit is a simple series circuit shown in Figure 3.29(b); the current flowing in this circuit  $i_{2-V}$  is the current we seek. Since the total series resistance is  $5 + 2 + 4 = 11\ \Omega$ , we find that  $i_{2-V} = 10/11 = 0.909\text{ A}$ .

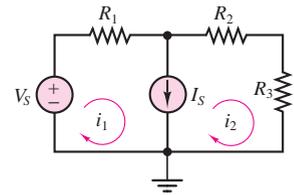
*Part 2:* Zero the voltage source. After we zero the voltage source by replacing it with a short circuit, the resulting circuit consists of three parallel branches shown in Figure 3.29(c): On the left we have a single  $5\text{-}\Omega$  resistor; in the center we have a  $-2\text{-A}$  current source (negative because the source current is shown to flow into the ground node); on the right we have a total resistance of  $2 + 4 = 6\ \Omega$ . Using the current divider rule, we find that the current flowing in the right branch  $i_{2-I}$  is given by

$$i_{2-I} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{6}}(-2) = -0.909\text{ A}$$

And, finally, the unknown current  $i_2$  is found to be

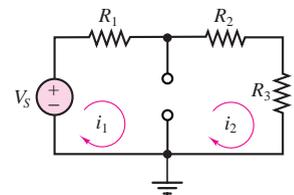
$$i_2 = i_{2-V} + i_{2-I} = 0\text{ A}$$

**Comments:** Superposition is not always a very efficient tool. Beginners may find it preferable to rely on more systematic methods, such as node analysis, to solve circuits. Eventually, experience will suggest the preferred method for any given circuit.



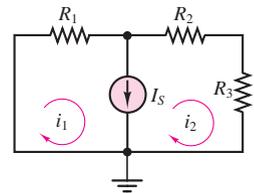
(a)

**Figure 3.29** (a) Circuit for the illustration of the principle of superposition



(b)

**Figure 3.29** (b) Circuit with current source set to zero



(c)

**Figure 3.29** (c) Circuit with voltage source set to zero

**CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING**

In Example 3.14, verify that the same answer is obtained by mesh or node analysis.

**EXAMPLE 3.15 Principle of Superposition**



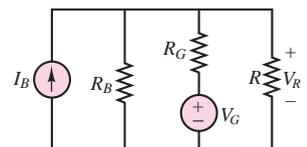
**Problem**

Determine the voltage across resistor  $R$  in the circuit of Figure 3.30.

**Solution**

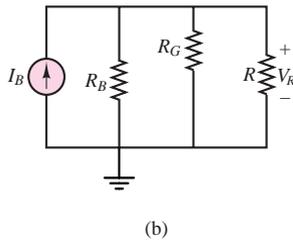
**Known Quantities:** The values of the voltage sources and of the resistors in the circuit of Figure 3.30 are  $I_B = 12\text{ A}$ ;  $V_G = 12\text{ V}$ ;  $R_B = 1\ \Omega$ ;  $R_G = 0.3\ \Omega$ ;  $R = 0.23\ \Omega$ .

**Find:** The voltage across  $R$ .

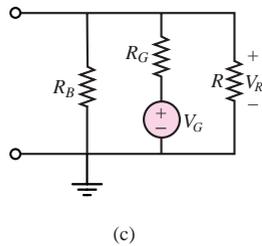


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**Figure 3.30** (a) Circuit used to demonstrate the principle of superposition



**Figure 3.30** (b) Circuit obtained by suppressing the voltage source



**Figure 3.30** (c) Circuit obtained by suppressing the current source

**Analysis:** Specify a ground node and the polarity of the voltage across  $R$ . Suppress the voltage source by replacing it with a short circuit. Redraw the circuit, as shown in Figure 3.30(b), and apply KCL:

$$-I_B + \frac{V_{R-I}}{R_B} + \frac{V_{R-I}}{R_G} + \frac{V_{R-I}}{R} = 0$$

$$V_{R-I} = \frac{I_B}{1/R_B + 1/R_G + 1/R} = \frac{12}{1/1 + 1/0.3 + 1/0.23} = 1.38 \text{ V}$$

Suppress the current source by replacing it with an open circuit, draw the resulting circuit, as shown in Figure 3.30(c), and apply KCL:

$$\frac{V_{R-V}}{R_B} + \frac{V_{R-V} - V_G}{R_G} + \frac{V_{R-V}}{R} = 0$$

$$V_{R-V} = \frac{V_G/R_G}{1/R_B + 1/R_G + 1/R} = \frac{12/0.3}{1/1 + 1/0.3 + 1/0.23} = 4.61 \text{ V}$$

Finally, we compute the voltage across  $R$  as the sum of its two components:

$$V_R = V_{R-I} + V_{R-V} = 5.99 \text{ V}$$

**Comments:** Superposition essentially doubles the work required to solve this problem. The voltage across  $R$  can easily be determined by using a single KCL.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

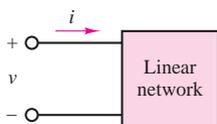
In Example 3.15, verify that the same answer can be obtained by a single application of KCL. Find the voltages  $v_a$  and  $v_b$  for the circuits of Example 3.7 by superposition.

Solve Example 3.7, using superposition.

Solve Example 3.10, using superposition.

## 3.6 ONE-PORT NETWORKS AND EQUIVALENT CIRCUITS

You may recall that, in the discussion of ideal sources in Chapter 2, the flow of energy from a source to a load was described in a very general form, by showing the connection of two “black boxes” labeled *source* and *load* (see Figure 2.2). In the same figure, two other descriptions were shown: a symbolic one, depicting an ideal voltage source and an ideal resistor; and a physical representation, in which the load was represented by a headlight and the source by an automotive battery. Whatever the form chosen for source-load representation, each block—source or load—may be viewed as a two-terminal device, described by an  $i$ - $v$  characteristic. This general circuit representation is shown in Figure 3.31. This configuration is called a **one-port network** and is particularly useful for introducing the notion of equivalent circuits. Note that the network of Figure 3.31 is completely described by its  $i$ - $v$  characteristic; this point is best illustrated by Example 3.16.



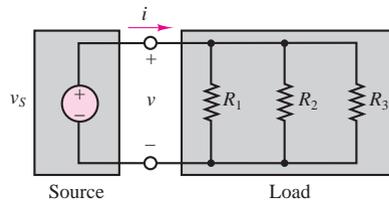
**Figure 3.31** One-port network

### EXAMPLE 3.16 Equivalent Resistance Calculation



#### Problem

Determine the source (load) current  $i$  in the circuit of Figure 3.32, using equivalent resistance ideas.



**Figure 3.32** Illustration of equivalent-circuit concept

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Source voltage; resistor values.

**Find:** Source current.

**Given Data:** Figures 3.32 and 3.33.

**Assumptions:** Assume the reference node is at the bottom of the circuit.

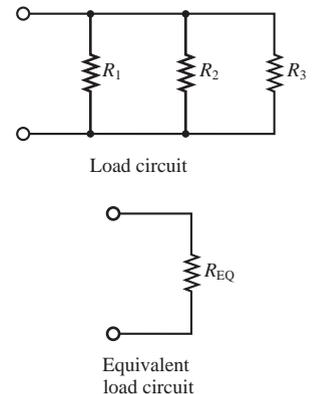
**Analysis:** *Insofar as the source is concerned*, the three parallel resistors appear identical to a single equivalent resistance of value

$$R_{EQ} = \frac{1}{1/R_1 + 1/R_2 + 1/R_3}$$

Thus, we can replace the three load resistors with the single equivalent resistor  $R_{EQ}$ , as shown in Figure 3.33, and calculate

$$i = \frac{v_S}{R_{EQ}}$$

**Comments:** Similarly, *insofar as the load is concerned*, it would not matter whether the source consisted, say, of a single 6-V battery or of four 1.5-V batteries connected in series.



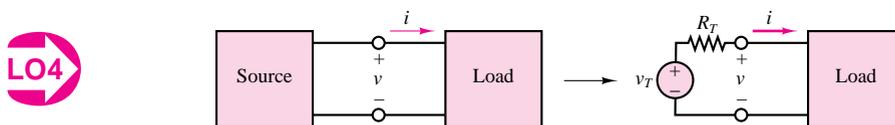
**Figure 3.33** Equivalent load resistance concept

For the remainder of this section, we focus on developing techniques for computing equivalent representations of linear networks. Such representations are useful in deriving some simple—yet general—results for linear circuits, as well as analyzing simple nonlinear circuits.

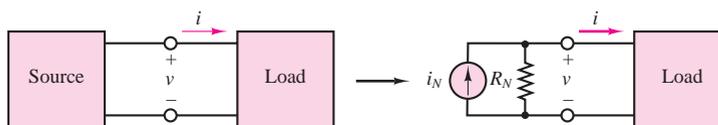
## Thévenin and Norton Equivalent Circuits

This section discusses one of the most important topics in the analysis of electric circuits: the concept of an **equivalent circuit**. We show that it is always possible to

view even a very complicated circuit in terms of much simpler *equivalent* source and load circuits, and that the transformations leading to equivalent circuits are easily managed, with a little practice. In studying node voltage and mesh current analysis, you may have observed that there is a certain correspondence (called **duality**) between current sources and voltage sources, on one hand, and parallel and series circuits, on the other. This duality appears again very clearly in the analysis of equivalent circuits: It will shortly be shown that equivalent circuits fall into one of two classes, involving either voltage or current sources and (respectively) either series or parallel resistors, reflecting this same principle of duality. The discussion of equivalent circuits begins with the statement of two very important theorems, summarized in Figures 3.34 and 3.35.



**Figure 3.34** Illustration of Thévenin theorem



**Figure 3.35** Illustration of Norton theorem



### The Thévenin Theorem

When viewed from the load, any network composed of ideal voltage and current sources, and of linear resistors, may be represented by an equivalent circuit consisting of an ideal voltage source  $v_T$  in series with an equivalent resistance  $R_T$ .



### The Norton Theorem

When viewed from the load, any network composed of ideal voltage and current sources, and of linear resistors, may be represented by an equivalent circuit consisting of an ideal current source  $i_N$  in parallel with an equivalent resistance  $R_N$ .

The first obvious question to arise is, How are these equivalent source voltages, currents, and resistances computed? The next few sections illustrate the computation of these equivalent circuit parameters, mostly through examples. A substantial number of Check Your Understanding exercises are also provided, with the following caution: The only way to master the computation of Thévenin and Norton equivalent circuits is by patient repetition.

### Determination of Norton or Thévenin Equivalent Resistance

In this subsection, we illustrate the calculation of the equivalent resistance of a network containing only linear resistors and independent sources. The first step in computing a Thévenin or Norton equivalent circuit consists of finding the equivalent resistance presented by the circuit at its terminals. This is done by setting all sources in the circuit equal to zero and computing the effective resistance between terminals. The voltage and current sources present in the circuit are set to zero by the same technique used with the principle of superposition: Voltage sources are replaced by short circuits; current sources, by open circuits. To illustrate the procedure, consider the simple circuit of Figure 3.36; the objective is to compute the equivalent resistance the load  $R_L$  “sees” at port  $a-b$ .

To compute the equivalent resistance, we remove the load resistance from the circuit and replace the voltage source  $v_S$  by a short circuit. At this point—seen from the load terminals—the circuit appears as shown in Figure 3.37. You can see that  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  are in parallel, since they are connected between the same two nodes. If the total resistance between terminals  $a$  and  $b$  is denoted by  $R_T$ , its value can be determined as follows:

$$R_T = R_3 + R_1 \parallel R_2 \tag{3.24}$$

An alternative way of viewing  $R_T$  is depicted in Figure 3.38, where a hypothetical 1-A current source has been connected to terminals  $a$  and  $b$ . The voltage  $v_x$  appearing across the  $a-b$  pair is then numerically equal to  $R_T$  (only because  $i_S = 1$  A!). With the 1-A source current flowing in the circuit, it should be apparent that the source current encounters  $R_3$  as a resistor in series with the parallel combination of  $R_1$  and  $R_2$ , prior to completing the loop.

Summarizing the procedure, we can produce a set of simple rules as an aid in the computation of the Thévenin (or Norton) equivalent resistance for a linear resistive circuit that does not contain dependent sources. The case of circuits containing dependent sources is outlined later in this section.

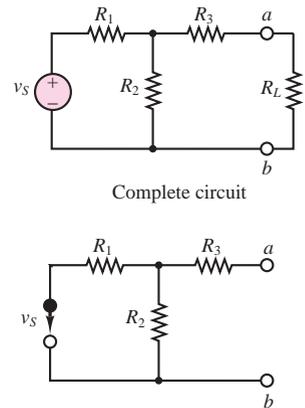


Figure 3.36 Computation of Thévenin resistance

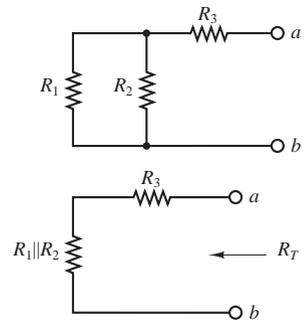


Figure 3.37 Equivalent resistance seen by the load

What is the total resistance the current  $i_S$  will encounter in flowing around the circuit?

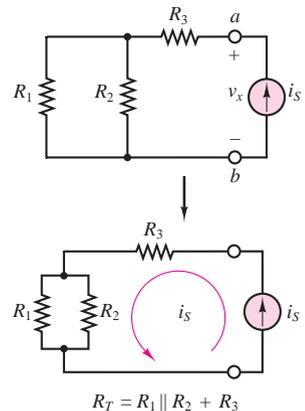


Figure 3.38 An alternative method of determining the Thévenin resistance

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##### COMPUTATION OF EQUIVALENT RESISTANCE OF A ONE-PORT NETWORK THAT DOES NOT CONTAIN DEPENDENT SOURCES

1. Remove the load.
2. Zero all independent voltage and current sources.
3. Compute the total resistance between load terminals, *with the load removed*. This resistance is equivalent to that which would be encountered by a current source connected to the circuit in place of the load.

We note immediately that this procedure yields a result that is independent of the load. This is a very desirable feature, since once the equivalent resistance has been identified for a source circuit, the equivalent circuit remains unchanged if we connect a different load. The following examples further illustrate the procedure.





### EXAMPLE 3.17 Thévenin Equivalent Resistance

#### Problem

Find the Thévenin equivalent resistance seen by the load  $R_L$  in the circuit of Figure 3.39.

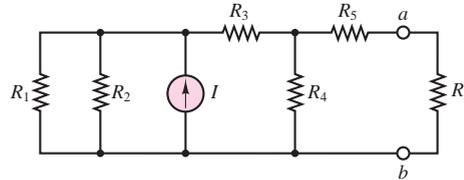


Figure 3.39

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Resistor and current source values.

**Find:** Thévenin equivalent resistance  $R_T$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $R_1 = 20 \Omega$ ;  $R_2 = 20 \Omega$ ;  $I = 5 \text{ A}$ ;  $R_3 = 10 \Omega$ ;  $R_4 = 20 \Omega$ ;  $R_5 = 10 \Omega$ .

**Assumptions:** Assume the reference node is at the bottom of the circuit.

**Analysis:** Following the Focus on Methodology box introduced in this section, we first set the current source equal to zero, by replacing it with an open circuit. The resulting circuit is depicted in Figure 3.40. Looking into terminal  $a$ - $b$ , we recognize that, starting from the left (away from the load) and moving to the right (toward the load), the equivalent resistance is given by the expression

$$\begin{aligned} R_T &= [(R_1 || R_2) + R_3] || R_4 + R_5 \\ &= [(20 || 20) + 10] || 20 + 10 = 20 \Omega \end{aligned}$$

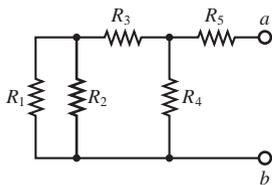
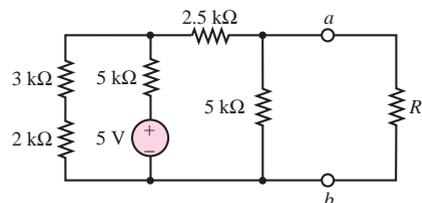


Figure 3.40

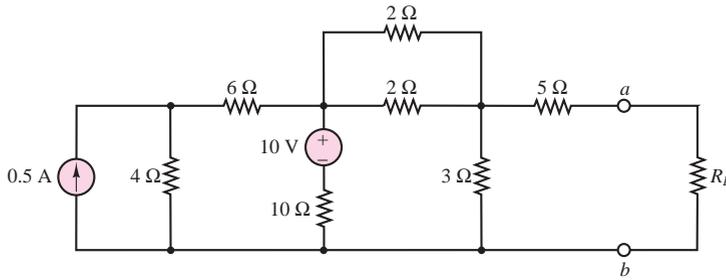
**Comments:** Note that the reduction of the circuit started at the farthest point away from the load.

### CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Find the Thévenin equivalent resistance of the circuit below, as seen by the load resistor  $R_L$ .



Find the Thévenin equivalent resistance seen by the load resistor  $R_L$  in the following circuit.



Answers:  $R_T = 2.5 \text{ k}\Omega$ ;  $R_T = 7 \Omega$

### EXAMPLE 3.18 Thévenin Equivalent Resistance



#### Problem

Compute the Thévenin equivalent resistance seen by the load in the circuit of Figure 3.41.

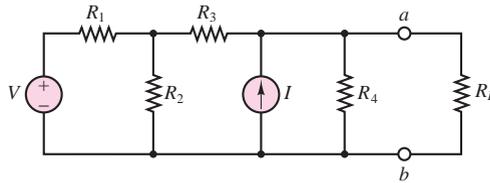


Figure 3.41

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Resistor values.

**Find:** Thévenin equivalent resistance  $R_T$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $V = 5 \text{ V}$ ;  $R_1 = 2 \Omega$ ;  $R_2 = 2 \Omega$ ;  $R_3 = 1 \Omega$ ;  $I = 1 \text{ A}$ ,  $R_4 = 2 \Omega$ .

**Assumptions:** Assume the reference node is at the bottom of the circuit.

**Analysis:** Following the Thévenin equivalent resistance Focus on Methodology box, we first set the current source equal to zero, by replacing it with an open circuit, then set the voltage source equal to zero by replacing it with a short circuit. The resulting circuit is depicted in Figure 3.42. Looking into terminal  $a$ - $b$ , we recognize that, starting from the left (away from the load) and moving to the right (toward the load), the equivalent resistance is given by the expression

$$R_T = ((R_1 || R_2) + R_3) || R_4$$

$$= ((2 || 2) + 1) || 2 = 1 \Omega$$

**Comments:** Note that the reduction of the circuit started at the farthest point away from the load.

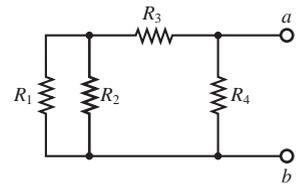
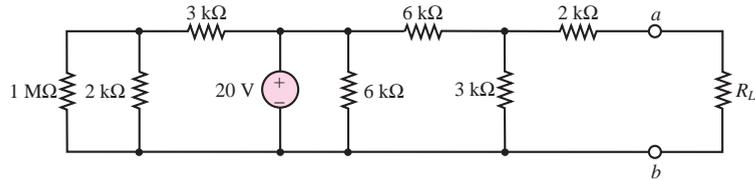


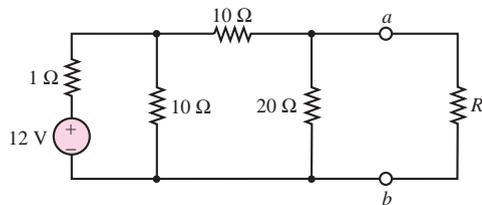
Figure 3.42

**CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING**

For the circuit below, find the Thévenin equivalent resistance seen by the load resistor  $R_L$ .



For the circuit below, find the Thévenin equivalent resistance seen by the load resistor  $R_L$ .



Answers:  $R_T = 4.0 \text{ k}\Omega$ ;  $R_T = 7.06 \Omega$

As a final note, the Thévenin and Norton equivalent resistances are one and the same quantity:



$$R_T = R_N$$

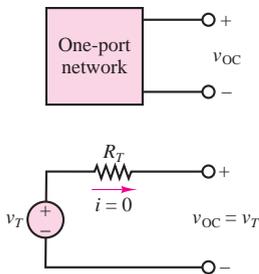
(3.25)

Therefore, the preceding discussion holds whether we wish to compute a Norton or a Thévenin equivalent circuit. From here on, we use the notation  $R_T$  exclusively, for both Thévenin and Norton equivalents.

**Computing the Thévenin Voltage**

This section describes the computation of the Thévenin equivalent voltage  $v_T$  for an arbitrary linear resistive circuit containing independent voltage and current sources and linear resistors. The *Thévenin equivalent voltage* is defined as follows:

The equivalent (Thévenin) source voltage is equal to the **open-circuit voltage** present at the load terminals (with the load removed).



**Figure 3.43** Equivalence of open-circuit and Thévenin voltage

This states that to compute  $v_T$ , it is sufficient to remove the load and to compute the open-circuit voltage at the one-port terminals. Figure 3.43 illustrates that the open-circuit voltage  $v_{OC}$  and the Thévenin voltage  $v_T$  must be the same if the Thévenin theorem is to hold. This is true because in the circuit consisting of  $v_T$  and  $R_T$ , the voltage  $v_{OC}$  must equal  $v_T$ , since no current flows through  $R_T$  and therefore the voltage across  $R_T$  is zero. Kirchhoff's voltage law confirms that

$$v_T = R_T(0) + v_{OC} = v_{OC} \tag{3.26}$$

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### COMPUTING THE THÉVENIN VOLTAGE

1. Remove the load, leaving the load terminals open-circuited.
2. Define the open-circuit voltage  $v_{OC}$  across the open load terminals.
3. Apply any preferred method (e.g., node analysis) to solve for  $v_{OC}$ .
4. The Thévenin voltage is  $v_T = v_{OC}$ .

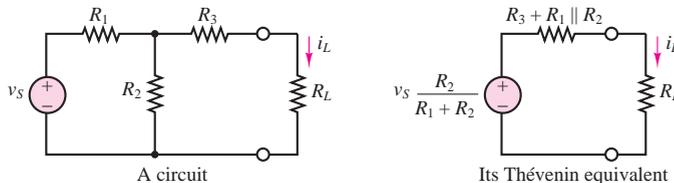


The actual computation of the open-circuit voltage is best illustrated by examples; there is no substitute for practice in becoming familiar with these computations. To summarize the main points in the computation of open-circuit voltages, consider the circuit of Figure 3.36, shown again in Figure 3.44 for convenience. Recall that the equivalent resistance of this circuit was given by  $R_T = R_3 + R_1 \parallel R_2$ . To compute  $v_{OC}$ , we disconnect the load, as shown in Figure 3.45, and immediately observe that no current flows through  $R_3$ , since there is no closed-circuit connection at that branch. Therefore,  $v_{OC}$  must be equal to the voltage across  $R_2$ , as illustrated in Figure 3.46. Since the only closed circuit is the mesh consisting of  $v_S$ ,  $R_1$ , and  $R_2$ , the answer we are seeking may be obtained by means of a simple voltage divider:

$$v_{OC} = v_{R2} = v_S \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2}$$

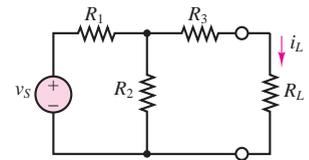
It is instructive to review the basic concepts outlined in the example by considering the original circuit and its Thévenin equivalent side by side, as shown in Figure 3.47. The two circuits of Figure 3.47 are equivalent in the sense that the current drawn by the load  $i_L$  is the same in both circuits, that current being given by

$$i_L = v_S \cdot \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} \cdot \frac{1}{(R_3 + R_1 \parallel R_2) + R_L} = \frac{v_T}{R_T + R_L} \quad (3.27)$$

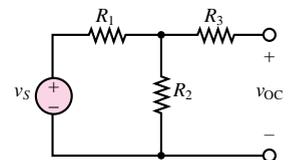


**Figure 3.47** A circuit and its Thévenin equivalent

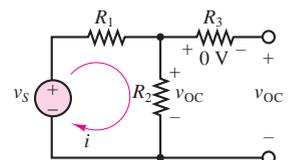
The computation of Thévenin equivalent circuits is further illustrated in Examples 3.19 and 3.20.



**Figure 3.44**



**Figure 3.45**



**Figure 3.46**

### EXAMPLE 3.19 Thévenin Equivalent Voltage (Open-Circuit Voltage)



#### Problem

Compute the open-circuit voltage  $v_{OC}$  in the circuit of Figure 3.48.

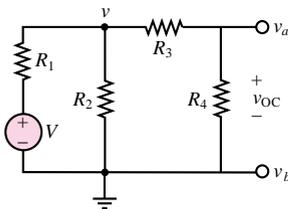


Figure 3.48

**Solution**

**Known Quantities:** Source voltage; resistor values.

**Find:** Open-circuit voltage  $v_{OC}$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $V = 12\text{ V}$ ;  $R_1 = 1\ \Omega$ ;  $R_2 = 10\ \Omega$ ;  $R_3 = 10\ \Omega$ ;  $R_4 = 20\ \Omega$ .

**Assumptions:** Assume the reference node is at the bottom of the circuit.

**Analysis:** Following the Thévenin voltage Focus on Methodology box, first we remove the load and label the open-circuit voltage  $v_{OC}$ . Next, we observe that since  $v_b$  is equal to the reference voltage (i.e., zero), the node voltage  $v_a$  will be equal, numerically, to the open-circuit voltage. If we define the other node voltage to be  $v$ , node analysis is the natural technique for arriving at the solution. Figure 3.48 depicts the original circuit ready for node analysis. Applying KCL at the two nodes, we obtain the following two equations:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{V - v}{R_1} - \frac{v}{R_2} - \frac{v - v_a}{R_3} &= 0 \\ \frac{v - v_a}{R_3} - \frac{v_a}{R_4} &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Substituting numerical values gives

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{12 - v}{1} - \frac{v}{10} - \frac{v - v_a}{10} &= 0 \\ \frac{v - v_a}{10} - \frac{v_a}{20} &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

In matrix form we can write

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1.2 & -0.1 \\ -0.1 & 0.15 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v \\ v_a \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 12 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Solving the above matrix equations yields  $v = 10.588\text{ V}$  and  $v_a = 7.059\text{ V}$ . Thus,  $v_{OC} = v_a - v_b = 7.059\text{ V}$ .

**Comments:** Note that the determination of the Thévenin voltage is nothing more than the careful application of the basic circuit analysis methods presented in earlier sections. The only difference is that we first need to properly identify and define the open-circuit load voltage.

**CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING**

Find the open-circuit voltage  $v_{OC}$  for the circuit of Figure 3.48 if  $R_1 = 5\ \Omega$ .

### EXAMPLE 3.20 Load Current Calculation by Thévenin Equivalent Method

#### Problem

Compute the load current  $i$  by the Thévenin equivalent method in the circuit of Figure 3.49.

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Source voltage, resistor values.

**Find:** Load current  $i$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $V = 24\text{ V}$ ;  $I = 3\text{ A}$ ;  $R_1 = 4\ \Omega$ ;  $R_2 = 12\ \Omega$ ;  $R_3 = 6\ \Omega$ .

**Assumptions:** Assume the reference node is at the bottom of the circuit.

**Analysis:** We first compute the Thévenin equivalent resistance. According to the method proposed earlier, we zero the two sources by shorting the voltage source and opening the current source. The resulting circuit is shown in Figure 3.50. We can clearly see that  $R_T = R_1 \parallel R_2 = 4 \parallel 12 = 3\ \Omega$ .

Following the Thévenin voltage Focus on Methodology box, first we remove the load and label the open-circuit voltage  $v_{OC}$ . The circuit is shown in Figure 3.51. Next, we observe that since  $v_b$  is equal to the reference voltage (i.e., zero), the node voltage  $v_a$  will be equal, numerically, to the open-circuit voltage. In this circuit, a single nodal equation is required to arrive at the solution:

$$\frac{V - v_a}{R_1} + I - \frac{v_a}{R_2} = 0$$

Substituting numerical values, we find that  $v_a = v_{OC} = v_T = 27\text{ V}$ .

Finally, we assemble the Thévenin equivalent circuit, shown in Figure 3.52, and reconnect the load resistor. Now the load current can be easily computed to be

$$i = \frac{v_T}{R_T + R_L} = \frac{27}{3 + 6} = 3\text{ A}$$

**Comments:** It may appear that the calculation of load current by the Thévenin equivalent method leads to more complex calculations than, say, node voltage analysis (you might wish to try solving the same circuit by node analysis to verify this). However, there is one major advantage to equivalent circuit analysis: Should the load change (as is often the case in many practical engineering situations), the equivalent circuit calculations still hold, and only the (trivial) last step in the above example needs to be repeated. Thus, knowing the Thévenin equivalent of a particular circuit can be very useful whenever we need to perform computations pertaining to any load quantity.

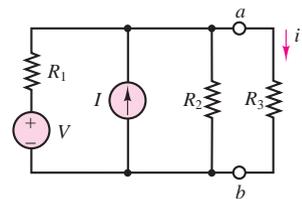


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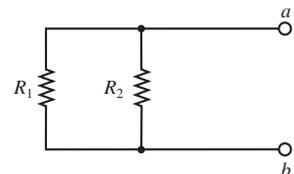


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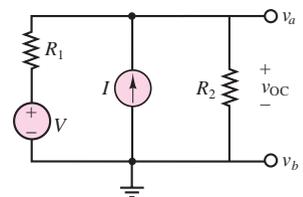


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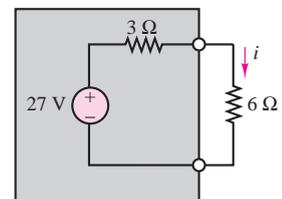


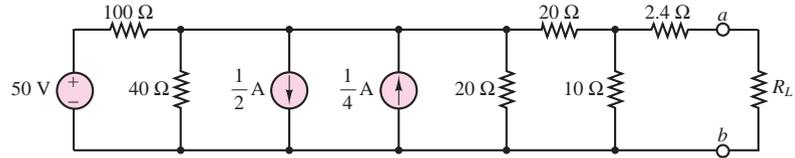
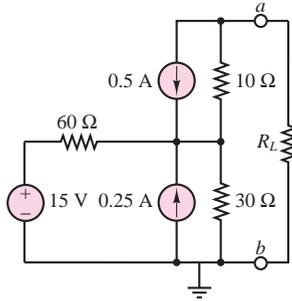
Figure 3.52 Thévenin equivalent

### CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

With reference to Figure 3.44, find the load current  $i_L$  by mesh analysis if  $v_S = 10\text{ V}$ ,  $R_1 = R_3 = 50\ \Omega$ ,  $R_2 = 100\ \Omega$ , and  $R_L = 150\ \Omega$ .

Find the Thévenin equivalent circuit seen by the load resistor  $R_L$  for the circuit in the figure on the left.

Find the Thévenin equivalent circuit for the circuit in the figure on the right.



Answers:  $i_L = 0.02857$  A;  $R_T = 30 \Omega$ ;  $v_{OC} = v_T = 5$  V;  $R_T = 10 \Omega$ ;  $v_{OC} = v_T = 0.704$  V.

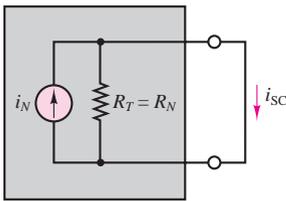
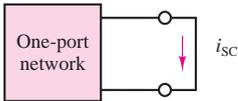
### Computing the Norton Current

The computation of the Norton equivalent current is very similar in concept to that of the Thévenin voltage. The following definition serves as a starting point:



#### Definition

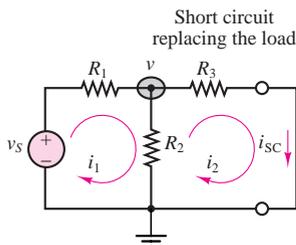
The Norton equivalent current is equal to the **short-circuit current** that would flow if the load were replaced by a short circuit.



**Figure 3.53** Illustration of Norton equivalent circuit

An explanation for the definition of the Norton current is easily found by considering, again, an arbitrary one-port network, as shown in Figure 3.53, where the one-port network is shown together with its Norton equivalent circuit.

It should be clear that the current  $i_{SC}$  flowing through the short circuit replacing the load is exactly the Norton current  $i_N$ , since all the source current in the circuit of Figure 3.53 must flow through the short circuit. Consider the circuit of Figure 3.54, shown with a short circuit in place of the load resistance. Any of the techniques presented in this chapter could be employed to determine the current  $i_{SC}$ . In this particular case, mesh analysis is a convenient tool, once it is recognized that the short-circuit current is a mesh current. Let  $i_1$  and  $i_2 = i_{SC}$  be the mesh currents in the circuit of Figure 3.54. Then the following mesh equations can be derived and solved for the short-circuit current:



**Figure 3.54** Computation of Norton current

$$\begin{aligned} (R_1 + R_2)i_1 - R_2i_{SC} &= v_S \\ -R_2i_1 + (R_2 + R_3)i_{SC} &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

An alternative formulation would employ node analysis to derive the equation

$$\frac{v_S - v}{R_1} = \frac{v}{R_2} + \frac{v}{R_3}$$

leading to

$$v = v_S \frac{R_2 R_3}{R_1 R_3 + R_2 R_3 + R_1 R_2}$$

## FOCUS ON METHODOLOGY

### COMPUTING THE NORTON CURRENT

1. Replace the load with a short circuit.
2. Define the short-circuit current  $i_{sc}$  to be the Norton equivalent current.
3. Apply any preferred method (e.g., node analysis) to solve for  $i_{sc}$ .
4. The Norton current is  $i_N = i_{sc}$ .



Recognizing that  $i_{sc} = v/R_3$ , we can determine the Norton current to be

$$i_N = \frac{v}{R_3} = \frac{v_S R_2}{R_1 R_3 + R_2 R_3 + R_1 R_2}$$

Thus, conceptually, the computation of the Norton current simply requires identifying the appropriate short-circuit current. Example 3.21 further illustrates this idea.

### EXAMPLE 3.21 Norton Equivalent Circuit

#### Problem

Determine the Norton current and the Norton equivalent for the circuit of Figure 3.55.

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Source voltage and current; resistor values.

**Find:** Equivalent resistance  $R_T$ ; Norton current  $i_N = i_{sc}$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $V = 6\text{ V}$ ;  $I = 2\text{ A}$ ;  $R_1 = 6\ \Omega$ ;  $R_2 = 3\ \Omega$ ;  $R_3 = 2\ \Omega$ .

**Assumptions:** Assume the reference node is at the bottom of the circuit.

**Analysis:** We first compute the Thévenin equivalent resistance. We zero the two sources by shorting the voltage source and opening the current source. The resulting circuit is shown in Figure 3.56. We can clearly see that  $R_T = R_1 \parallel R_2 + R_3 = 6 \parallel 3 + 2 = 4\ \Omega$ .

Next we compute the Norton current. Following the Norton current Focus on Methodology box, first we replace the load with a short circuit and label the short-circuit current  $i_{sc}$ . The circuit is shown in Figure 3.57 ready for node voltage analysis. Note that we have identified two node voltages  $v_1$  and  $v_2$ , and that the voltage source requires that  $v_2 - v_1 = V$ . The unknown current flowing through the voltage source is labeled  $i$ .

Now we are ready to apply the node analysis method.

1. The reference node is the ground node in Figure 3.57.
2. The two nodes  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  are also identified in the figure; note that the voltage source imposes the constraint  $v_2 = v_1 + V$ . Thus only one of the two nodes leads to an independent equation. The unknown current  $i$  provides the second independent variable, as you will see in the next step.

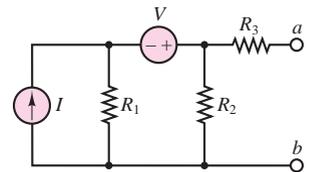


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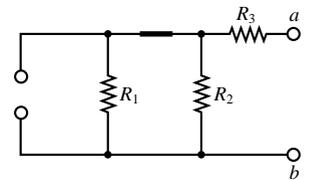


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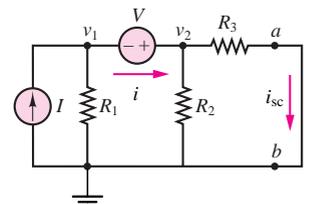


Figure 3.57 Circuit of Example 3.21 ready for node analysis

3. Applying KCL at nodes 1 and 2, we obtain the following set of equations:

$$I - \frac{v_1}{R_1} - i = 0 \quad \text{node 1}$$

$$i - \frac{v_2}{R_2} - \frac{v_2}{R_3} = 0 \quad \text{node 2}$$

Next, we eliminate  $v_1$  by substituting  $v_1 = v_2 - V$  in the first equation:

$$I - \frac{v_2 - V}{R_1} - i = 0 \quad \text{node 1}$$

and we rewrite the equations in matrix form, recognizing that the unknowns are  $i$  and  $v_2$ . Note that the short-circuit current is  $i_{SC} = v_2/R_3$ ; thus we will seek to solve for  $v_2$ .

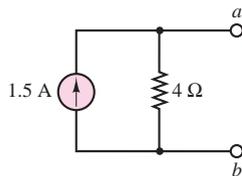
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{1}{R_1} \\ -1 & \frac{1}{R_2} + \frac{1}{R_3} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} i \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} I + \frac{V}{R_1} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Substituting numerical values, we obtain

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0.1667 \\ -1 & 0.8333 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} i \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

and we can numerically solve for the two unknowns to find that  $i = 2.5$  A and  $v_2 = 3$  V. Finally, the Norton or short-circuit current is  $i_N = i_{SC} = v_2/R_3 = 1.5$  A.

**Comments:** In this example it was not obvious whether node analysis, mesh analysis, or superposition might be the quickest method to arrive at the answer. It would be a very good exercise to try the other two methods and compare the complexity of the three solutions. The complete Norton equivalent circuit is shown in Figure 3.58.



**Figure 3.58** Norton equivalent circuit

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Repeat Example 3.21, using mesh analysis. Note that in this case one of the three mesh currents is known, and therefore the complexity of the solution will be unchanged.

## Source Transformations

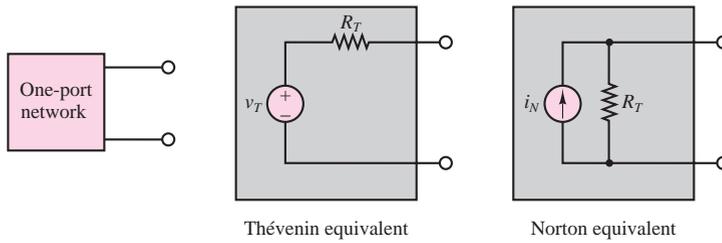
This section illustrates **source transformations**, a procedure that may be very useful in the computation of equivalent circuits, permitting, in some circumstances, replacement of current sources with voltage sources and vice versa. The Norton and Thévenin theorems state that any one-port network can be represented by a voltage source in series with a resistance, or by a current source in parallel with a resistance, and that either of these representations is equivalent to the original circuit, as illustrated in Figure 3.59.

An extension of this result is that any circuit in Thévenin equivalent form may be replaced by a circuit in Norton equivalent form, provided that we use the following relationship:



$$v_T = R_T i_N$$

$$(3.28)$$

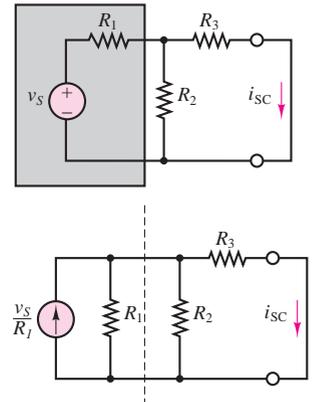


**Figure 3.59** Equivalence of Thévenin and Norton representations

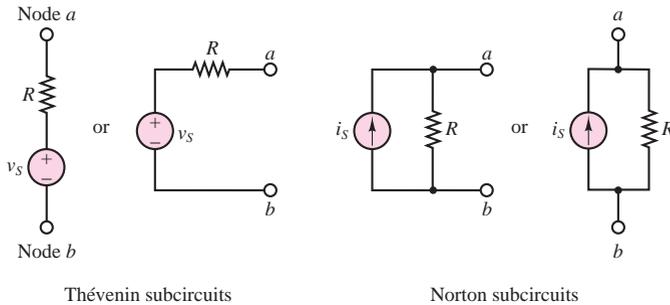
Thus, the subcircuit to the left of the dashed line in Figure 3.60 may be replaced by its Norton equivalent, as shown in the figure. Then the computation of  $i_{SC}$  becomes very straightforward, since the three resistors are in parallel with the current source and therefore a simple current divider may be used to compute the short-circuit current. Observe that the short-circuit current is the current flowing through  $R_3$ ; therefore,

$$i_{SC} = i_N = \frac{1/R_3}{1/R_1 + 1/R_2 + 1/R_3} \frac{v_S}{R_1} = \frac{v_S R_2}{R_1 R_3 + R_2 R_3 + R_1 R_2} \quad (3.29)$$

which is the identical result obtained for the same circuit in the preceding section, as you may easily verify. This source transformation method can be very useful, if employed correctly. Figure 3.61 shows how to recognize subcircuits amenable to such source transformations. Example 3.22 is a numerical example illustrating the procedure.



**Figure 3.60** Effect of source transformation



**Figure 3.61** Subcircuits amenable to source transformation

**EXAMPLE 3.22 Source Transformations**



**Problem**

Compute the Norton equivalent of the circuit of Figure 3.62 using source transformations.

**Solution**

**Known Quantities:** Source voltages and current; resistor values.

**Find:** Equivalent resistance  $R_T$ ; Norton current  $i_N = i_{SC}$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $V_1 = 50 \text{ V}$ ;  $I = 0.5 \text{ A}$ ;  $V_2 = 5 \text{ V}$ ;  $R_1 = 100 \ \Omega$ ;  $R_2 = 100 \ \Omega$ ;  $R_3 = 200 \ \Omega$ ;  $R_4 = 160 \ \Omega$ .

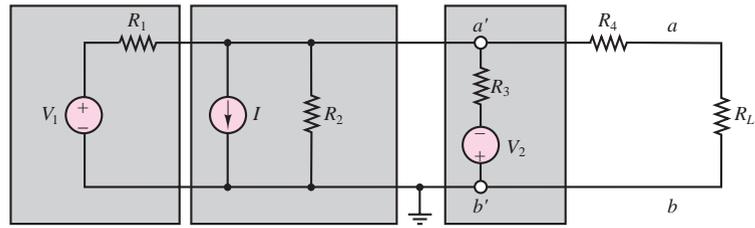


Figure 3.62

**Assumptions:** Assume the reference node is at the bottom of the circuit.

**Analysis:** First, we sketch the circuit again, to take advantage of the source transformation technique; we emphasize the location of the nodes for this purpose, as shown in Figure 3.63. Nodes  $a'$  and  $b'$  have been purposely separated from nodes  $a''$  and  $b''$  even though these are the same pairs of nodes. We can now replace the branch consisting of  $V_1$  and  $R_1$ , which appears between nodes  $a''$  and  $b''$ , with an equivalent Norton circuit with Norton current source  $V_1/R_1$  and equivalent resistance  $R_1$ . Similarly, the series branch between nodes  $a'$  and  $b'$  is replaced by an equivalent Norton circuit with Norton current source  $V_2/R_3$  and equivalent resistance  $R_3$ . The result of these manipulations is shown in Figure 3.64. The same circuit is now depicted in Figure 3.65 with numerical values substituted for each component. Note how easy it is to visualize the equivalent resistance: If each current source is replaced by an open circuit, we find

$$R_T = R_1 || R_2 || R_3 || R_4 = 200 || 100 || 100 + 160 = 200 \Omega$$

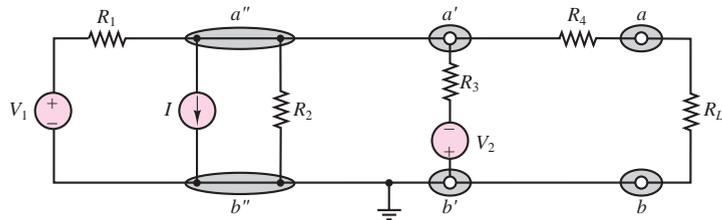


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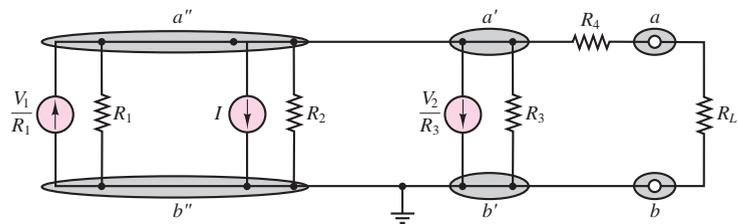


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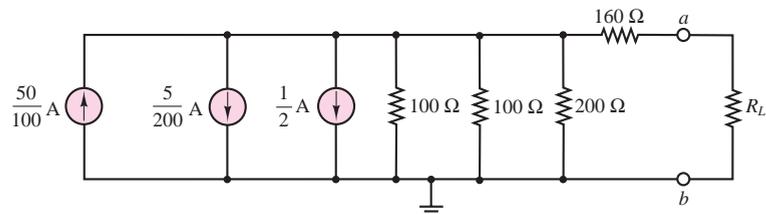


Figure 3.65

The final step consists of adding the three currents ( $-0.025$  A) and combining the three parallel resistors into a single  $40\text{-}\Omega$  resistor. A further source transformation from Norton to Thévenin permits the addition of the  $40\text{-}\Omega$  resistor to the  $160\text{-}\Omega$  resistor. Finally, transforming back to Norton we have the final value of the Norton current to be  $-0.005$  A. The final circuit is shown in Figure 3.66.

**Comments:** It is not always possible to reduce a circuit as easily as was shown in this example by means of source transformations. However, it may be advantageous to use source transformation as a means of converting parts of a circuit to a different form, perhaps more naturally suited to a particular solution method (e.g., node analysis).

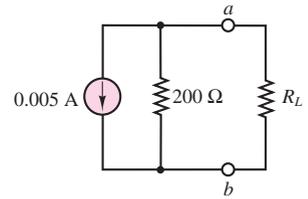


Figure 3.66

### Experimental Determination of Thévenin and Norton Equivalents

The idea of equivalent circuits as a means of representing complex and sometimes unknown networks is useful not only analytically, but in practical engineering applications as well. It is very useful to have a measure, for example, of the equivalent internal resistance of an instrument, so as to have an idea of its power requirements and limitations. Fortunately, Thévenin and Norton equivalent circuits can also be evaluated experimentally by means of very simple techniques. The basic idea is that the Thévenin voltage is an open-circuit voltage and the Norton current is a short-circuit current. It should therefore be possible to conduct appropriate measurements to determine these quantities. Once  $v_T$  and  $i_N$  are known, we can determine the Thévenin resistance of the circuit being analyzed according to the relationship

$$R_T = \frac{v_T}{i_N} \quad (3.30)$$

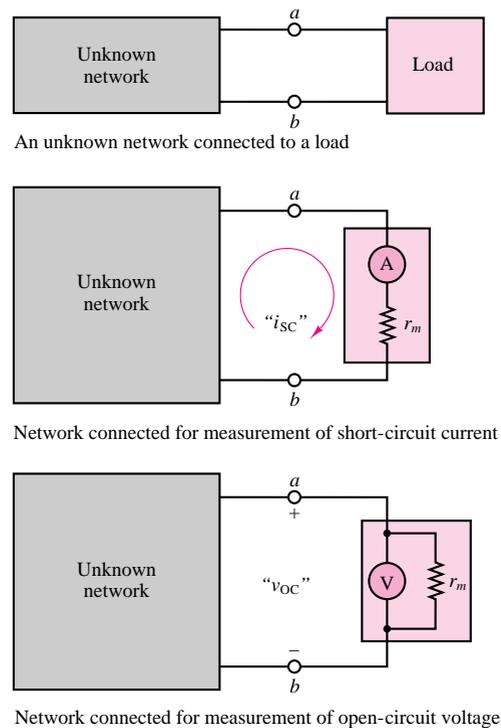
How are  $v_T$  and  $i_N$  measured, then?

Figure 3.67 illustrates the measurement of the open-circuit voltage and short-circuit current for an arbitrary network connected to any load and also illustrates that the procedure requires some special attention, because of the nonideal nature of any practical measuring instrument. The figure clearly illustrates that in the presence of finite meter resistance  $r_m$ , one must take this quantity into account in the computation of the short-circuit current and open-circuit voltage;  $v_{OC}$  and  $i_{SC}$  appear between quotation marks in the figure specifically to illustrate that the measured “open-circuit voltage” and “short-circuit current” are in fact affected by the internal resistance of the measuring instrument and are not the true quantities.

You should verify that the following expressions for the true short-circuit current and open-circuit voltage apply (see the material on nonideal measuring instruments in Section 2.8):

$$\begin{aligned} i_N &= \text{“}i_{SC}\text{”} \left( 1 + \frac{r_m}{R_T} \right) \\ v_T &= \text{“}v_{OC}\text{”} \left( 1 + \frac{R_T}{r_m} \right) \end{aligned} \quad (3.31)$$

where  $i_N$  is the ideal Norton current,  $v_T$  is the Thévenin voltage, and  $R_T$  is the true Thévenin resistance. If you recall the earlier discussion of the properties of ideal ammeters and voltmeters, you will recall that for an ideal ammeter,  $r_m$  should approach zero, while in an ideal voltmeter, the internal resistance should approach an open



**Figure 3.67** Measurement of open-circuit voltage and short-circuit current

circuit (infinity); thus, the two expressions just given permit the determination of the true Thévenin and Norton equivalent sources from an (imperfect) measurement of the open-circuit voltage and short-circuit current, provided that the internal meter resistance  $r_m$  is known. Note also that, in practice, the internal resistance of voltmeters is sufficiently high to be considered infinite relative to the equivalent resistance of most practical circuits; on the other hand, it is impossible to construct an ammeter that has zero internal resistance. If the internal ammeter resistance is known, however, a reasonably accurate measurement of short-circuit current may be obtained.

One last comment is in order concerning the practical measurement of the internal resistance of a network. In most cases, it is not advisable to actually short circuit a network by inserting a series ammeter as shown in Figure 3.67; permanent damage to the circuit or to the ammeter may be a consequence. For example, imagine that you wanted to estimate the internal resistance of an automotive battery; connecting a laboratory ammeter between the battery terminals would surely result in immediate loss of the instrument. Most ammeters are not designed to withstand currents of such magnitude. Thus, the experimenter should pay attention to the capabilities of the ammeters and voltmeters used in measurements of this type, as well as to the (approximate) power ratings of any sources present. However, there are established techniques especially designed to measure large currents.

### 3.7 MAXIMUM POWER TRANSFER

The reduction of any linear resistive circuit to its Thévenin or Norton equivalent form is a very convenient conceptualization, as far as the computation of load-related quantities is concerned. One such computation is that of the power absorbed by the

load. The Thévenin and Norton models imply that some of the power generated by the source will necessarily be dissipated by the internal circuits within the source. Given this unavoidable power loss, a logical question to ask is, How much power can be transferred to the load from the source under the most ideal conditions? Or, alternatively, what is the value of the load resistance that will absorb maximum power from the source? The answer to these questions is contained in the **maximum power transfer theorem**, which is the subject of this section.

The model employed in the discussion of power transfer is illustrated in Figure 3.68, where a practical source is represented by means of its Thévenin equivalent circuit. The maximum power transfer problem is easily formulated if we consider that the power absorbed by the load  $P_L$  is given by

$$P_L = i_L^2 R_L \quad (3.32)$$

and that the load current is given by the familiar expression

$$i_L = \frac{v_T}{R_L + R_T} \quad (3.33)$$

Combining the two expressions, we can compute the load power as

$$P_L = \frac{v_T^2}{(R_L + R_T)^2} R_L \quad (3.34)$$

To find the value of  $R_L$  that maximizes the expression for  $P_L$  (assuming that  $V_T$  and  $R_T$  are fixed), the simple maximization problem

$$\frac{dP_L}{dR_L} = 0 \quad (3.35)$$

must be solved. Computing the derivative, we obtain the following expression:

$$\frac{dP_L}{dR_L} = \frac{v_T^2(R_L + R_T)^2 - 2v_T^2 R_L(R_L + R_T)}{(R_L + R_T)^4} \quad (3.36)$$

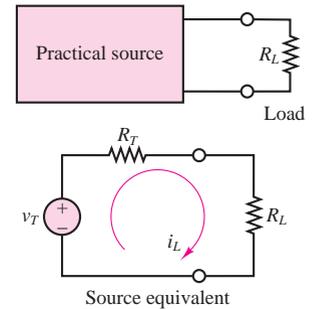
which leads to the expression

$$(R_L + R_T)^2 - 2R_L(R_L + R_T) = 0 \quad (3.37)$$

It is easy to verify that the solution of this equation is

$$R_L = R_T \quad (3.38)$$

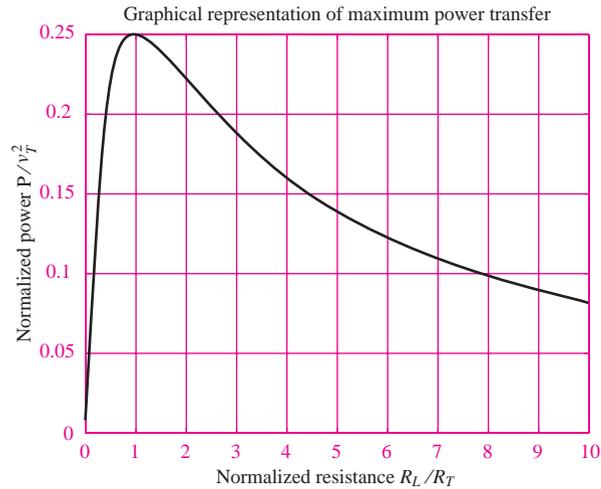
Thus, to transfer maximum power to a load, the equivalent source and load resistances must be **matched**, that is, equal to each other. Figure 3.69 depicts a plot of the load



Given  $v_T$  and  $R_T$ , what value of  $R_L$  will allow for maximum power transfer?

**Figure 3.68** Power transfer between source and load

power divided by  $v_T^2$  versus the ratio of  $R_L$  to  $R_T$ . Note that this value is maximum when  $R_L = R_T$ .



**Figure 3.69** Graphical representation of maximum power transfer

This analysis shows that to transfer maximum power to a load, given a fixed equivalent source resistance, the load resistance must match the equivalent source resistance. What if we reversed the problem statement and required that the load resistance be fixed? What would then be the value of source resistance that maximizes the power transfer in this case? The answer to this question can be easily obtained by solving the Check Your Understanding exercises at the end of the section.

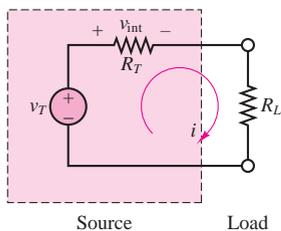
A problem related to power transfer is that of **source loading**. This phenomenon, which is illustrated in Figure 3.70, may be explained as follows: When a practical voltage source is connected to a load, the current that flows from the source to the load will cause a voltage drop across the internal source resistance  $v_{\text{int}}$ ; as a consequence, the voltage actually seen by the load will be somewhat lower than the *open-circuit voltage* of the source. As stated earlier, the open-circuit voltage is equal to the Thévenin voltage. The extent of the internal voltage drop within the source depends on the amount of current drawn by the load. With reference to Figure 3.71, this internal drop is equal to  $iR_T$ , and therefore the load voltage will be

$$v_L = v_T - iR_T \quad (3.39)$$

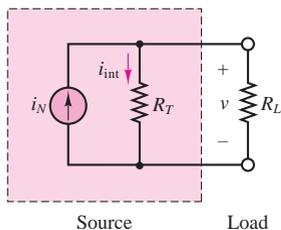
It should be apparent that it is desirable to have as small an internal resistance as possible in a practical voltage source.

In the case of a current source, the internal resistance will draw some current away from the load because of the presence of the internal source resistance; this current is denoted by  $i_{\text{int}}$  in Figure 3.70. Thus the load will receive only part of the *short-circuit current* available from the source (the Norton current):

$$i_L = i_N - \frac{v}{R_T} \quad (3.40)$$

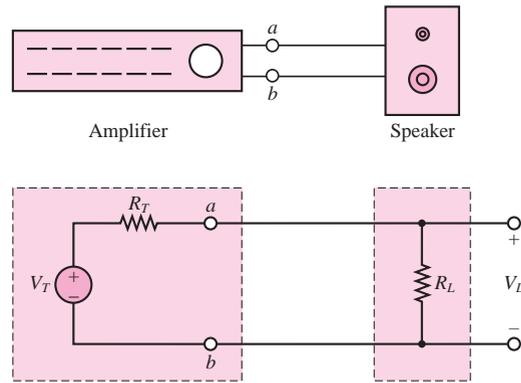


Source Load



Source Load

**Figure 3.70** Source loading effects



**Figure 3.71** A simplified model of an audio system

It is therefore desirable to have a very large internal resistance in a practical current source. You may wish to refer to the discussion of practical sources to verify that the earlier interpretation of practical sources can be expanded in light of the more recent discussion of equivalent circuits.

### EXAMPLE 3.23 Maximum Power Transfer



#### Problem

Use the maximum power transfer theorem to determine the increase in power delivered to a loudspeaker resulting from matching the speaker load resistance to the amplifier equivalent source resistance.

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Source equivalent resistance  $R_T$ ; unmatched speaker load resistance  $R_{LU}$ ; matched loudspeaker load resistance  $R_{LM}$ .

**Find:** Difference between power delivered to loudspeaker with unmatched and matched loads, and corresponding percentage increase.

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $R_T = 8\ \Omega$ ;  $R_{LU} = 16\ \Omega$ ;  $R_{LM} = 8\ \Omega$ .

**Assumptions:** The amplifier can be modeled as a linear resistive circuit, for the purposes of this analysis.

**Analysis:** Imagine that we have unknowingly connected an  $8\text{-}\Omega$  amplifier to a  $16\text{-}\Omega$  speaker. We can compute the power delivered to the speaker as follows. The load voltage is found by using the voltage divider rule:

$$v_{LU} = \frac{R_{LU}}{R_{LU} + R_T} v_T = \frac{2}{3} v_T$$

and the load power is then computed to be

$$P_{LU} = \frac{v_{LU}^2}{R_{LU}} = \frac{4}{9} \frac{v_T^2}{R_{LU}} = 0.0278 v_T^2$$

Let us now repeat the calculation for the case of a matched  $8\text{-}\Omega$  speaker resistance  $R_{LM}$ . Let the new load voltage be  $v_{LM}$  and the corresponding load power be  $P_{LM}$ . Then

$$v_{LM} = \frac{1}{2} v_T$$

and

$$P_{LM} = \frac{v_{LM}^2}{R_{LM}} = \frac{1}{4} \frac{v_T^2}{R_{LM}} = 0.03125 v_T^2$$

The increase in load power is therefore

$$\Delta P = \frac{0.03125 - 0.0278}{0.0278} \times 100 = 12.5\%$$

**Comments:** In practice, an audio amplifier and a speaker are not well represented by the simple resistive Thévenin equivalent models used in the present example. Circuits that are appropriate to model amplifiers and loudspeakers are presented in later chapters. The audiophile can find further information concerning audio circuits in Chapters 8 and 13.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

A practical voltage source has an internal resistance of  $1.2\ \Omega$  and generates a  $30\text{-V}$  output under open-circuit conditions. What is the smallest load resistance we can connect to the source if we do not wish the load voltage to drop by more than 2 percent with respect to the source open-circuit voltage?

A practical current source has an internal resistance of  $12\ \text{k}\Omega$  and generates a  $200\text{-mA}$  output under short-circuit conditions. What percentage drop in load current will be experienced (with respect to the short-circuit condition) if a  $200\text{-}\Omega$  load is connected to the current source?

Repeat the derivation leading to equation 3.38 for the case where the load resistance is fixed and the source resistance is variable. That is, differentiate the expression for the load power,  $P_L$  with respect to  $R_S$  instead of  $R_L$ . What is the value of  $R_S$  that results in maximum power transfer to the load?

Answers:  $58.8\ \Omega$ ;  $1.64\%$ ;  $R_S = 0$

## 3.8 NONLINEAR CIRCUIT ELEMENTS

Until now the focus of this chapter has been on linear circuits, containing ideal voltage and current sources, and linear resistors. In effect, one reason for the simplicity of some of the techniques illustrated earlier is the ability to utilize Ohm's law as a simple, linear description of the  $i$ - $v$  characteristic of an ideal resistor. In many practical instances, however, the engineer is faced with elements exhibiting a nonlinear  $i$ - $v$  characteristic. This section explores two methods for analyzing nonlinear circuit elements.



### Description of Nonlinear Elements

There are a number of useful cases in which a simple functional relationship exists between voltage and current in a nonlinear circuit element. For example, Figure 3.72

depicts an element with an exponential  $i$ - $v$  characteristic, described by the following equations:

$$\begin{aligned} i &= I_0 e^{\alpha v} & v > 0 \\ i &= -I_0 & v \leq 0 \end{aligned} \quad (3.41)$$

There exists, in fact, a circuit element (the semiconductor diode) that very nearly satisfies this simple relationship. The difficulty in the  $i$ - $v$  relationship of equation 3.41 is that it is not possible, in general, to obtain a closed-form analytical solution, even for a very simple circuit.

With the knowledge of equivalent circuits you have just acquired, one approach to analyzing a circuit containing a nonlinear element might be to treat the nonlinear element as a load and to compute the Thévenin equivalent of the remaining circuit, as shown in Figure 3.73. Applying KVL, the following equation may then be obtained:

$$v_T = R_T i_x + v_x \quad (3.42)$$

To obtain the second equation needed to solve for both the unknown voltage  $v_x$  and the unknown current  $i_x$ , it is necessary to resort to the  $i$ - $v$  description of the nonlinear element, namely, equation 3.41. If, for the moment, only positive voltages are considered, the circuit is completely described by the following system:

$$\begin{aligned} i_x &= I_0 e^{\alpha v_x} & v_x > 0 \\ v_T &= R_T i_x + v_x \end{aligned} \quad (3.43)$$

The two parts of equation 3.43 represent a system of two equations in two unknowns; however, one of these equations is nonlinear. If we solve for the load voltage and current, for example, by substituting the expression for  $i_x$  in the linear equation, we obtain the following expression:

$$v_T = R_T I_0 e^{\alpha v_x} + v_x \quad (3.44)$$

or

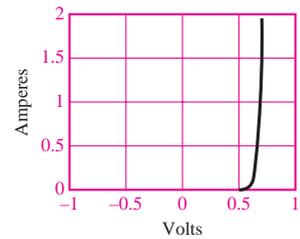
$$v_x = v_T - R_T I_0 e^{\alpha v_x} \quad (3.45)$$

Equations 3.44 and 3.45 do not have a closed-form solution; that is, they are *transcendental equations*. How can  $v_x$  be found? One possibility is to generate a solution numerically, by guessing an initial value (for example,  $v_x = 0$ ) and iterating until a sufficiently precise solution is found. This solution is explored further in the homework problems. Another method is based on a graphical analysis of the circuit and is described in the following section.

## Graphical (Load-Line) Analysis of Nonlinear Circuits

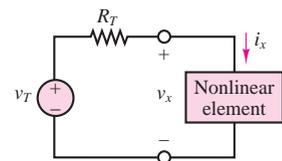
The nonlinear system of equations of the previous section may be analyzed in a different light, by considering the graphical representation of equation 3.42, which may also be written as

$$i_x = -\frac{1}{R_T} v_x + \frac{v_T}{R_T} \quad (3.46)$$



**Figure 3.72** The  $i$ - $v$  characteristic of exponential resistor

Nonlinear element as a load. We wish to solve for  $v_x$  and  $i_x$ .



**Figure 3.73** Representation of nonlinear element in a linear circuit

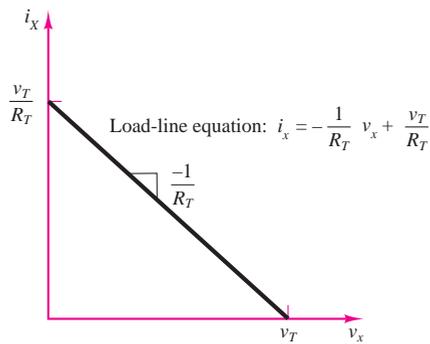


Figure 3.74 Load line

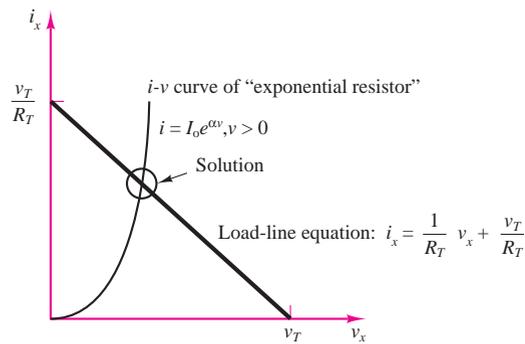


Figure 3.75 Graphical solution of equations 3.44 and 3.45



We notice, first, that equation 3.46 describes the behavior of any load, linear or nonlinear, since we have made no assumptions regarding the nature of the load voltage and current. Second, it is the equation of a line in the  $i_x v_x$  plane, with slope  $-1/R_T$  and  $i_x$  intercept  $V_T/R_T$ . This equation is referred to as the **load-line equation**; its graphical interpretation is very useful and is shown in Figure 3.74.

The load-line equation is but one of two  $i-v$  characteristics we have available, the other being the nonlinear-device characteristic of equation 3.41. The intersection of the two curves yields the solution of our nonlinear system of equations. This result is depicted in Figure 3.75.

Finally, another important point should be emphasized: The linear network reduction methods introduced in the preceding sections can always be employed to reduce any circuit containing a single nonlinear element to the Thévenin equivalent form, as illustrated in Figure 3.76. The key is to identify the nonlinear element and to treat it as a load. Thus, the equivalent-circuit solution methods developed earlier can be very useful in simplifying problems in which a nonlinear load is present. Examples 3.24 and 3.25 further illustrate the load-line analysis method.

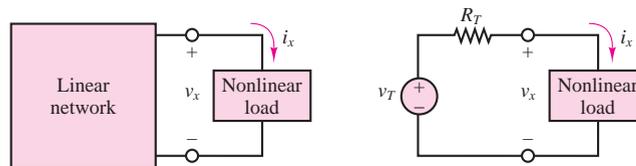


Figure 3.76 Transformation of nonlinear circuit of Thévenin equivalent



### EXAMPLE 3.24 Nonlinear Load Power Dissipation

#### Problem

A linear generator is connected to a nonlinear load in the configuration of Figure 3.76. Determine the power dissipated by the load.

### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Generator Thévenin equivalent circuit; load  $i$ - $v$  characteristic and load line.

**Find:** Power dissipated by load  $P_x$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $R_T = 30\ \Omega$ ;  $v_T = 15\ \text{V}$ .

**Assumptions:** None.

**Analysis:** We can model the circuit as shown in Figure 3.76. The objective is to determine the voltage  $v_x$  and the current  $i_x$ , using graphical methods. The load-line equation for the circuit is given by the expression

$$i_x = -\frac{1}{R_T}v_x + \frac{v_T}{R_T}$$

or

$$i_x = -\frac{1}{30}v_x + \frac{15}{30}$$

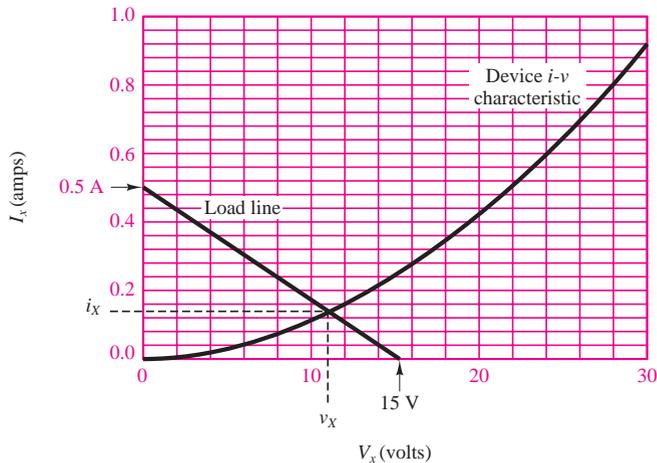
This equation represents a line in the  $i_x$ - $v_x$  plane, with  $i_x$  intercept at 0.5 A and  $v_x$  intercept at 15 V. To determine the operating point of the circuit, we superimpose the load line on the device  $i$ - $v$  characteristic, as shown in Figure 3.77, and determine the solution by finding the intersection of the load line with the device curve. Inspection of the graph reveals that the intersection point is given approximately by

$$i_x = 0.14\ \text{A} \quad v_x = 11\ \text{V}$$

and therefore the power dissipated by the nonlinear load is

$$P_x = 0.14 \times 11 = 1.54\ \text{W}$$

It is important to observe that the result obtained in this example is, in essence, a description of experimental procedures, indicating that the analytical concepts developed in this chapter also apply to practical measurements.



**Figure 3.77**

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Example 3.24 demonstrates a graphical solution method. Sometimes it is possible to determine the solution for a nonlinear load by analytical methods. Imagine that the same generator of Example 3.24 is now connected to a “square law” load, that is, one for which  $v_x = \beta i_x^2$ , with  $\beta = 0.1$ . Determine the load current  $i_x$ . (*Hint*: Assume that only positive solutions are possible, given the polarity of the generator.)

Answer:  $i_x = 0.5 \text{ A}$



### EXAMPLE 3.25 Load-Line Analysis

#### Problem

A temperature sensor has a nonlinear  $i$ - $v$  characteristic, shown in the figure on the left. The load is connected to a circuit represented by its Thévenin equivalent circuit. Determine the current flowing through the temperature sensor. The circuit connection is identical to that of Figure 3.76.

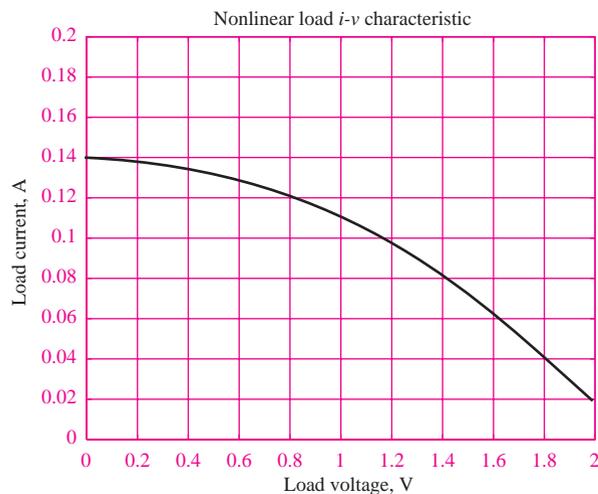
#### Solution

**Known Quantities:**  $R_T = 6.67 \ \Omega$ ;  $V_T = 1.67 \text{ V}$ .  $i_x = 0.14 - 0.03v_x^2$ .

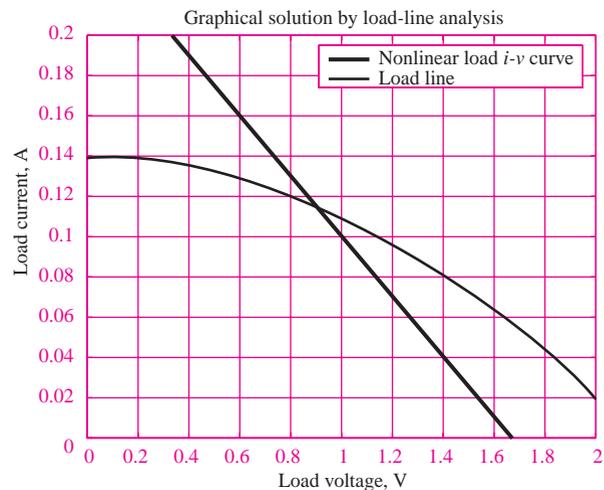
**Find:**  $i_x$ .

**Analysis:** The figure on the left depicts the device  $i$ - $v$  characteristic. The figure on the right depicts a plot of both the device  $i$ - $v$  characteristic and the load line obtained from

$$i_x = -\frac{1}{R_T}v_x + \frac{v_T}{R_T} = -0.15v_x + 0.25$$



(a)



(b)

The solution for  $v_x$  and  $i_x$  occurs at the intersection of the device and load-line characteristics:  
 $i_x \approx 0.12 \text{ A}$ ,  $v_x \approx 0.9 \text{ V}$ .

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Knowing that the load  $i$ - $v$  characteristic is given exactly by the expression  $i_x = 0.14 - 0.03v_x^2$ , determine the load current  $i_x$ . (*Hint*: Assume that only positive solutions are possible, given the polarity of the generator.)

Answer:  $i_x = 0.116 \text{ A}$

## Conclusion

The objective of this chapter is to provide a practical introduction to the analysis of linear resistive circuits. The emphasis on examples is important at this stage, since we believe that familiarity with the basic circuit analysis techniques will greatly ease the task of learning more advanced ideas in circuits and electronics. In particular, your goal at this point should be to have mastered six analysis methods, summarized as follows:

- 1., 2. *Node voltage and mesh current analysis*. These methods are analogous in concept; the choice of a preferred method depends on the specific circuit. They are generally applicable to the circuits we analyze in this book and are amenable to solution by matrix methods.
3. *The principle of superposition*. This is primarily a conceptual aid that may simplify the solution of circuits containing multiple sources. It is usually not an efficient method.
4. *Thévenin and Norton equivalents*. The notion of equivalent circuits is at the heart of circuit analysis. Complete mastery of the reduction of linear resistive circuits to either equivalent form is a must.
5. *Maximum Power transfer*. Equivalent circuits provide a very clear explanation of how power is transferred from a source to a load.
6. *Numerical and graphical analysis*. These methods apply in the case of nonlinear circuit elements. The load-line analysis method is intuitively appealing and is employed again in this book to analyze electronic devices.

The material covered in this chapter is essential to the development of more advanced techniques throughout the remainder of the book.

## HOMEWORK PROBLEMS

### Sections 3.2 through 3.4: Node Mesh Analysis

- 3.1** Use node voltage analysis to find the voltages  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  for the circuit of Figure P3.1.
- 3.2** Using node voltage analysis, find the voltages  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  for the circuit of Figure P3.2.

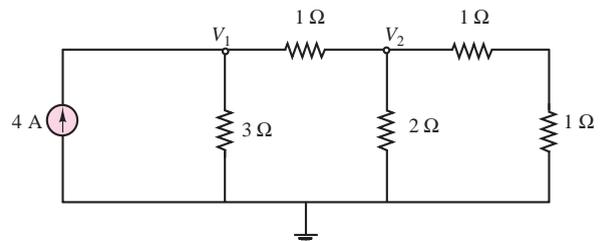


Figure P3.1

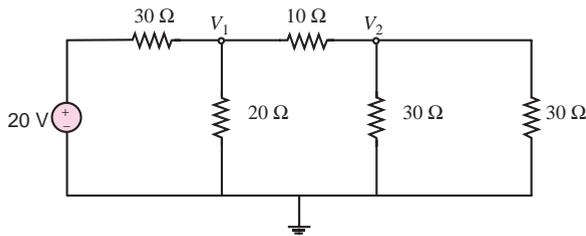


Figure P3.2

**3.3** Using node voltage analysis in the circuit of Figure P3.3, find the voltage  $v$  across the 0.25-ohm resistance.

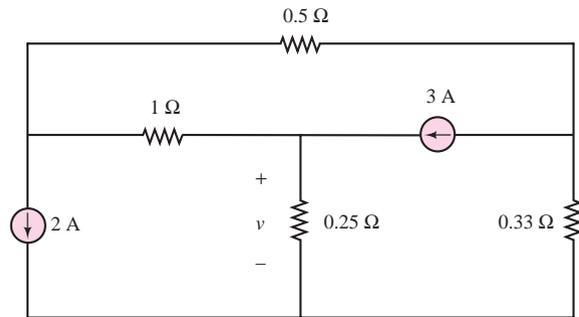


Figure P3.3

**3.4** Using node voltage analysis in the circuit of Figure P3.4, find the current  $i$  through the voltage source.

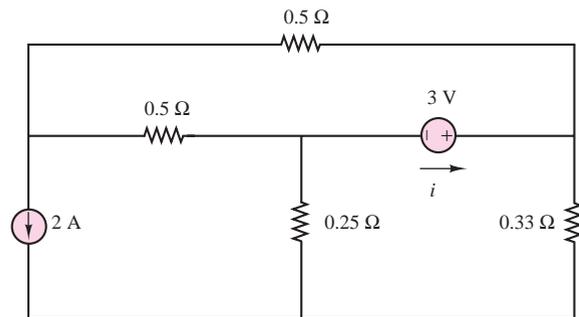


Figure P3.4

**3.5** In the circuit shown in Figure P3.5, the mesh currents are

$$I_1 = 5 \text{ A} \quad I_2 = 3 \text{ A} \quad I_3 = 7 \text{ A}$$

Determine the branch currents through:

- a.  $R_1$ .      b.  $R_2$ .      c.  $R_3$ .

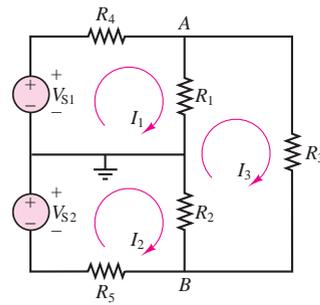


Figure P3.5

**3.6** In the circuit shown in Figure P3.5, the source and node voltages are

$$V_{S1} = V_{S2} = 110 \text{ V} \\ V_A = 103 \text{ V} \quad V_B = -107 \text{ V}$$

Determine the voltage across each of the five resistors.

**3.7** Using node voltage analysis in the circuit of Figure P3.7, find the currents  $i_1$  and  $i_2$ .  $R_1 = 3 \Omega$ ;  $R_2 = 1 \Omega$ ;  $R_3 = 6 \Omega$ .

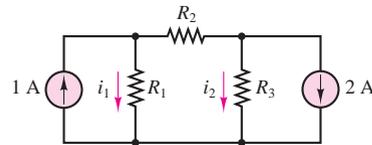


Figure P3.7

**3.8** Use the mesh analysis to determine the currents  $i_1$  and  $i_2$  in the circuit of Figure P3.7.

**3.9** Using node voltage analysis in the circuit of Figure P3.9, find the current  $i$  through the voltage source. Let  $R_1 = 100 \Omega$ ;  $R_2 = 5 \Omega$ ;  $R_3 = 200 \Omega$ ;  $R_4 = 50 \Omega$ ;  $V = 50 \text{ V}$ ;  $I = 0.2 \text{ A}$ .

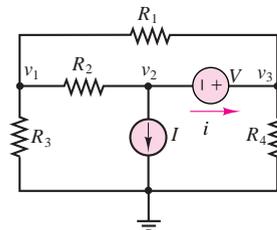


Figure P3.9

**3.10** Using node voltage analysis in the circuit of Figure P3.10, find the three indicated node voltages. Let

$I = 0.2 \text{ A}$ ;  $R_1 = 200 \ \Omega$ ;  $R_2 = 75 \ \Omega$ ;  $R_3 = 25 \ \Omega$ ;  
 $R_4 = 50 \ \Omega$ ;  $R_5 = 100 \ \Omega$ ;  $V = 10 \text{ V}$ .

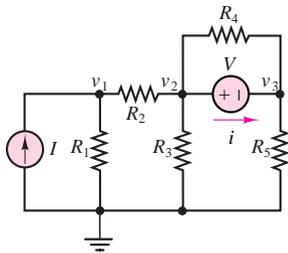


Figure P3.10

**3.11** Using node voltage analysis in the circuit of Figure P3.11, find the current  $i$  drawn from the independent voltage source. Let  $V = 3 \text{ V}$ ;  $R_1 = \frac{1}{2} \ \Omega$ ;  $R_2 = \frac{1}{2} \ \Omega$ ;  $R_3 = \frac{1}{4} \ \Omega$ ;  $R_4 = \frac{1}{2} \ \Omega$ ;  $R_5 = \frac{1}{4} \ \Omega$ ;  $I = 0.5 \text{ A}$ .

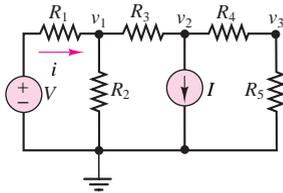


Figure P3.11

**3.12** Find the power delivered to the load resistor  $R_L$  for the circuit of Figure P3.12, using node voltage analysis, given that  $R_1 = 2 \ \Omega$ ,  $R_V = R_2 = R_L = 4 \ \Omega$ ,  $V_S = 4 \text{ V}$ , and  $I_S = 0.5 \text{ A}$ .

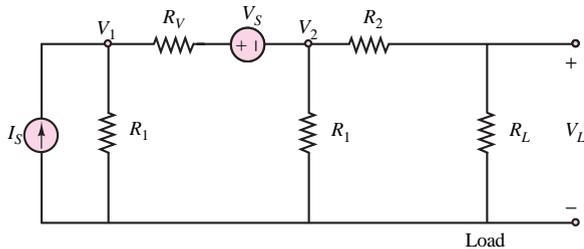


Figure P3.12

**3.13**

a. For the circuit of Figure P3.13, write the node equations necessary to find voltages  $V_1$ ,  $V_2$ , and  $V_3$ . Note that  $G = 1/R = \text{conductance}$ . From the results, note the interesting form that the matrices  $[G]$  and  $[I]$  have taken in the equation  $[G][V] = [I]$  where

$$[G] = \begin{bmatrix} g_{11} & g_{12} & g_{13} & \cdots & g_{1n} \\ g_{21} & g_{22} & \cdots & \cdots & g_{2n} \\ g_{31} & & \ddots & & \\ \vdots & & & \ddots & \\ g_{n1} & g_{n2} & \cdots & \cdots & g_{nn} \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad [I] = \begin{bmatrix} I_1 \\ I_2 \\ \vdots \\ I_n \end{bmatrix}$$

b. Write the matrix form of the node voltage equations again, using the following formulas:

$$g_{ii} = \sum \text{conductances connected to node } i$$

$$g_{ij} = -\sum \text{conductances shared by nodes } i \text{ and } j$$

$$I_i = \sum \text{all source currents into node } i$$

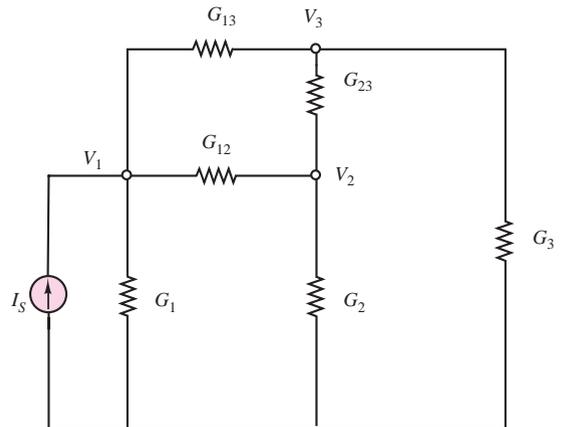


Figure P3.13

**3.14** Using mesh current analysis, find the currents  $i_1$  and  $i_2$  for the circuit of Figure P3.14.

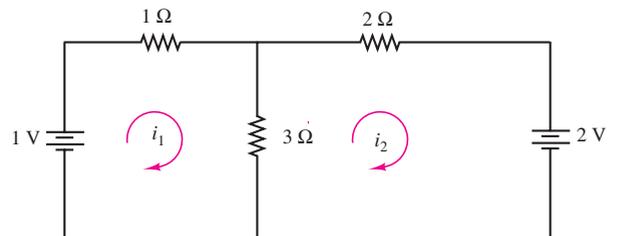


Figure P3.14

**3.15** Using mesh current analysis, find the currents  $I_1$  and  $I_2$  and the voltage across the top  $10\text{-}\Omega$  resistor in the circuit of Figure P3.15.

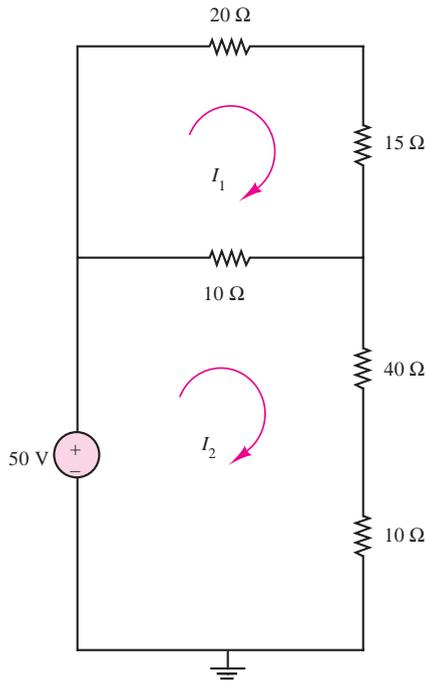


Figure P3.15

**3.16** Using mesh current analysis, find the voltage,  $v$ , across the 3-Ω resistor in the circuit of Figure P3.16.

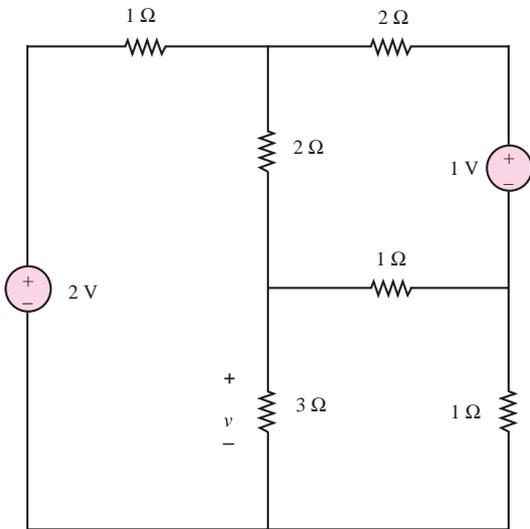


Figure P3.16

**3.17** Using mesh current analysis, find the currents  $I_1$ ,  $I_2$ , and  $I_3$  in the circuit of Figure P3.17 (assume polarity according to  $I_2$ ).

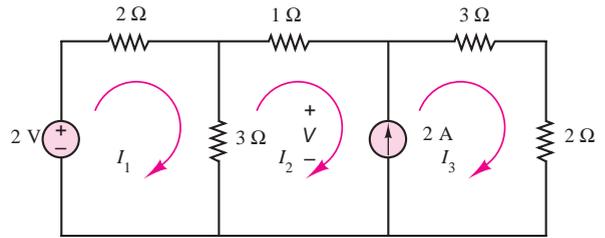


Figure P3.17

**3.18** Using mesh current analysis, find the voltage,  $v$ , across the source in the circuit of Figure P3.18.

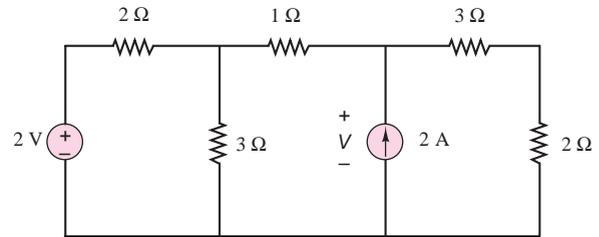


Figure P3.18

**3.19** a. For the circuit of Figure P3.19, write the mesh equations in matrix form. Notice the form of the  $[R]$  and  $[V]$  matrices in the  $[R][I] = [V]$ , where

$$[R] = \begin{bmatrix} r_{11} & r_{12} & r_{13} & \cdots & r_{1n} \\ r_{21} & r_{22} & \cdots & \cdots & r_{2n} \\ r_{31} & & \ddots & & \\ \vdots & & & \ddots & \\ r_{n1} & r_{n2} & \cdots & \cdots & r_{nn} \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad [V] = \begin{bmatrix} V_1 \\ V_2 \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ V_n \end{bmatrix}$$

b. Write the matrix form of the mesh equations again by using the following formulas:

$$r_{ii} = \sum \text{resistances around loop } i$$

$$r_{ij} = -\sum \text{resistances shared by loops } i \text{ and } j$$

$$V_i = \sum \text{source voltages around loop } i$$

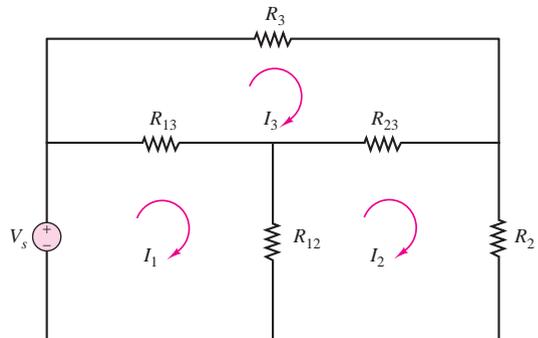
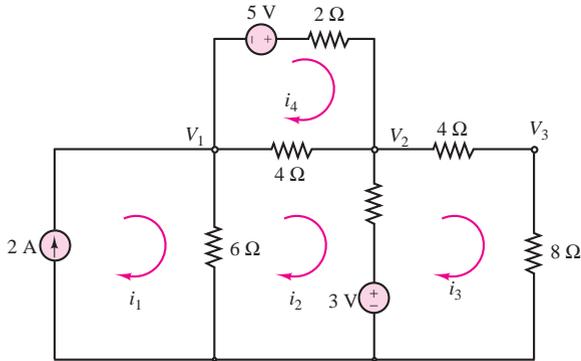


Figure P3.19

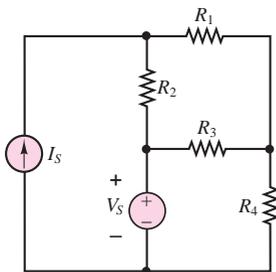
**3.20** For the circuit of Figure P3.20, use mesh current analysis to find the matrices required to solve the circuit, and solve for the unknown currents. *Hint:* You may find source transformations useful.



**Figure P3.20**

**3.21** In the circuit in Figure P3.21, assume the source voltage and source current and all resistances are known.

- Write the node equations required to determine the node voltages.
- Write the matrix solution for each node voltage in terms of the known parameters.



**Figure P3.21**

**3.22** For the circuit of Figure P3.22 determine

- The most efficient way to solve for the voltage across  $R_3$ . Prove your case.

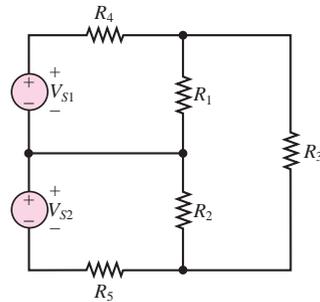
b. The voltage across  $R_3$ .

$$V_{S1} = V_{S2} = 110 \text{ V}$$

$$R_1 = 500 \text{ m}\Omega \quad R_2 = 167 \text{ m}\Omega$$

$$R_3 = 700 \text{ m}\Omega$$

$$R_4 = 200 \text{ m}\Omega \quad R_5 = 333 \text{ m}\Omega$$



**Figure P3.22**

**3.23** In the circuit shown in Figure P3.23,  $V_{S2}$  and  $R_5$  model a temperature sensor, that is,

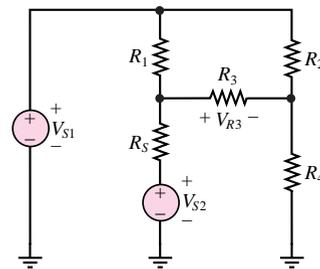
$$V_{S2} = kT \quad k = 10 \text{ V}/^\circ\text{C}$$

$$V_{S1} = 24 \text{ V} \quad R_5 = R_1 = 12 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$R_2 = 3 \text{ k}\Omega \quad R_3 = 10 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$R_4 = 24 \text{ k}\Omega \quad V_{R3} = -2.524 \text{ V}$$

The voltage across  $R_3$ , which is given, indicates the temperature. Determine the temperature.



**Figure P3.23**

**3.24** Using KCL, perform node analysis on the circuit shown in Figure P3.24, and determine the voltage across  $R_4$ . Note that one source is a controlled voltage source! Let  $V_S = 5 \text{ V}$ ;  $A_V = 70$ ;  $R_1 = 2.2 \text{ k}\Omega$ ;  $R_2 = 1.8 \text{ k}\Omega$ ;  $R_3 = 6.8 \text{ k}\Omega$ ;  $R_4 = 220 \Omega$ .

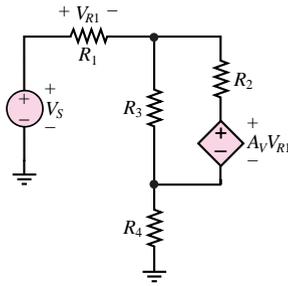


Figure P3.24

- 3.25** Using mesh current analysis, find the voltage  $v$  across  $R_4$  in the circuit of Figure P3.25. Let  $V_{S1} = 12\text{ V}$ ;  $V_{S2} = 5\text{ V}$ ;  $R_1 = 50\ \Omega$ ;  $R_2 = R_3 = 20\ \Omega$ ;  $R_4 = 10\ \Omega$ ;  $R_5 = 15\ \Omega$ .

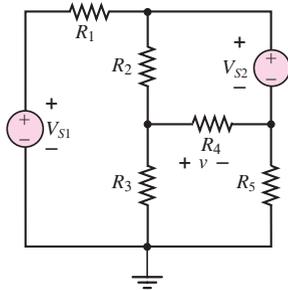


Figure P3.25

- 3.26** Use mesh current analysis to solve for the voltage  $v$  across the current source in the circuit of Figure P3.26. Let  $V = 3\text{ V}$ ;  $I = 0.5\text{ A}$ ;  $R_1 = 20\ \Omega$ ;  $R_2 = 30\ \Omega$ ;  $R_3 = 10\ \Omega$ ;  $R_4 = 30\ \Omega$ ;  $R_5 = 20\ \Omega$ .

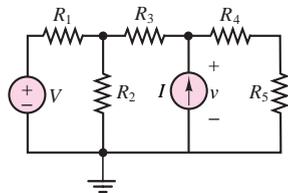


Figure P3.26

- 3.27** Use mesh current analysis to find the current  $i$  in the circuit of Figure P3.27. Let  $V = 5.6\text{ V}$ ;  $R_1 = 50\ \Omega$ ;  $R_2 = 1.2\text{ k}\Omega$ ;  $R_3 = 330\ \Omega$ ;  $g_m = 0.2\text{ S}$ ;  $R_4 = 440\ \Omega$ .

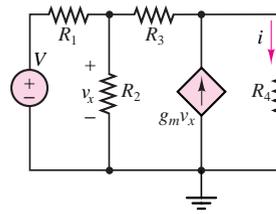


Figure P3.27

- 3.28** Using mesh current analysis, find the current  $i$  through the voltage source in the circuit of Figure P3.9.
- 3.29** Using mesh current analysis, find the current  $i$  in the circuit of Figure P3.10.
- 3.30** Using mesh current analysis, find the current  $i$  in the circuit of Figure P3.30.

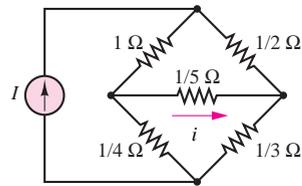


Figure P3.30

- 3.31** Using mesh current analysis, find the voltage gain  $A_v = v_2/v_1$  in the circuit of Figure P3.31.

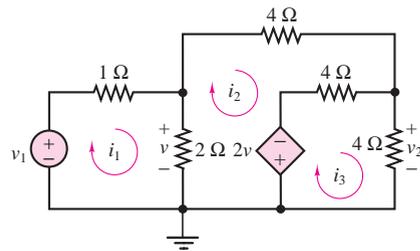


Figure P3.31

- 3.32** In the circuit shown in Figure P3.32:

$$V_{S1} = V_{S2} = 450\text{ V}$$

$$R_4 = R_5 = 0.25\ \Omega$$

$$R_1 = 8\ \Omega \quad R_2 = 5\ \Omega$$

$$R_3 = 32\ \Omega$$

Determine, using KCL and node analysis, the voltage across  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ , and  $R_3$ .

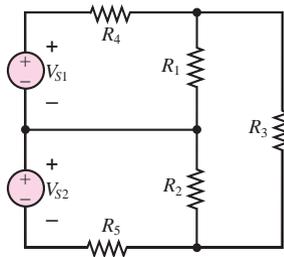


Figure P3.32

**3.33** In the circuit shown in Figure P3.33,  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  are fuses. Under normal conditions they are modeled as a short circuit. However, if excess current flows through a fuse, its element melts and the fuse “blows” (i.e., it becomes an open circuit).

$$\begin{aligned} V_{S1} &= V_{S2} = 115 \text{ V} \\ R_1 &= R_2 = 5 \ \Omega \quad R_3 = 10 \ \Omega \\ R_4 &= R_5 = 200 \text{ m}\Omega \end{aligned}$$

Normally, the voltages across  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ , and  $R_3$  are 106.5,  $-106.5$ , and 213.0 V. If  $F_1$  now blows, or opens, determine, using KCL and node analysis, the new voltages across  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ , and  $R_3$ .

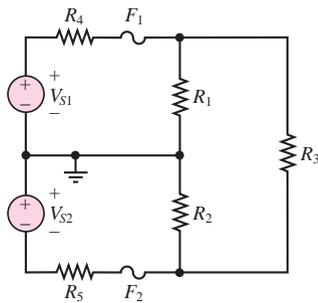


Figure P3.33

**3.34** In the circuit shown in Figure P3.33,  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  are fuses. Under normal conditions they are modeled as a short circuit. However, if excess current flows through a fuse, it “blows” and the fuse becomes an open circuit.

$$\begin{aligned} V_{S1} &= V_{S2} = 120 \text{ V} \\ R_1 &= R_2 = 2 \ \Omega \quad R_3 = 8 \ \Omega \\ R_4 &= R_5 = 250 \text{ m}\Omega \end{aligned}$$

If  $F_1$  blows, or opens, determine, using KCL and node analysis, the voltages across  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ ,  $R_3$ , and  $F_1$ .

**3.35** The circuit shown in Figure P3.35 is a simplified DC version of an AC three-phase Y-Y electrical distribution system commonly used to supply

industrial loads, particularly rotating machines.

$$\begin{aligned} V_{S1} &= V_{S2} = V_{S3} = 170 \text{ V} \\ R_{W1} &= R_{W2} = R_{W3} = 0.7 \ \Omega \\ R_1 &= 1.9 \ \Omega \quad R_2 = 2.3 \ \Omega \\ R_3 &= 11 \ \Omega \end{aligned}$$

- Determine the number of unknown node voltages and mesh currents.
- Compute the node voltages  $v'_1$ ,  $v'_2$ , and  $v'_3$ . With respect to  $v'_n$ .

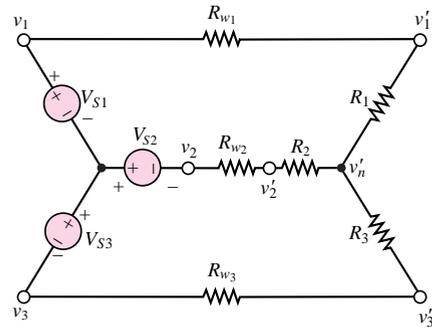


Figure P3.35

**3.36** The circuit shown in Figure P3.35 is a simplified DC version of an AC three-phase Y-Y electrical distribution system commonly used to supply industrial loads, particularly rotating machines.

$$\begin{aligned} V_{S1} &= V_{S2} = V_{S3} = 170 \text{ V} \\ R_{W1} &= R_{W2} = R_{W3} = 0.7 \ \Omega \\ R_1 &= 1.9 \ \Omega \quad R_2 = 2.3 \ \Omega \\ R_3 &= 11 \ \Omega \end{aligned}$$

Node analysis with KCL and a ground at the terminal common to the three sources gives the only unknown node voltage  $V_N = 28.94$  V. If the node voltages in a circuit are known, all other voltages and currents in the circuit can be determined. Determine the current through and voltage across  $R_1$ .

**3.37** The circuit shown in Figure P3.35 is a simplified DC version of a typical three-wire, three-phase AC Y-Y distribution system. Write the mesh (or loop) equations and any additional equations required to determine the current through  $R_1$  in the circuit shown.

**3.38** Determine the branch currents, using KVL and loop analysis in the circuit of Figure P3.35.

$$\begin{aligned} V_{S2} &= V_{S3} = 110 \text{ V} \quad V_{S1} = 90 \text{ V} \\ R_1 &= 7.9 \ \Omega \quad R_2 = R_3 = 3.7 \ \Omega \\ R_{W1} &= R_{W2} = R_{W3} = 1.3 \ \Omega \end{aligned}$$

**3.39** In the circuit shown in Figure P3.33,  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  are fuses. Under normal conditions they are modeled as a short circuit. However, if excess current flows through a fuse, its element melts and the fuse blows (i.e., it becomes an open circuit).

$$V_{S1} = V_{S2} = 115 \text{ V}$$

$$R_1 = R_2 = 5 \ \Omega \quad R_3 = 10 \ \Omega$$

$$R_4 = R_5 = 200 \text{ m}\Omega$$

Determine, using KVL and a mesh analysis, the voltages across  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ , and  $R_3$  under normal conditions (i.e., no blown fuses).

### Section 3.5: The Principle of Superposition

**3.40** With reference to Figure P3.40, determine the current through  $R_1$  due only to the source  $V_{S2}$ .

$$V_{S1} = 110 \text{ V} \quad V_{S2} = 90 \text{ V}$$

$$R_1 = 560 \ \Omega \quad R_2 = 3.5 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$R_3 = 810 \ \Omega$$

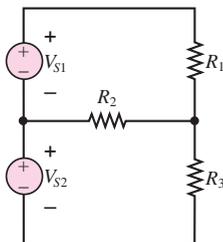


Figure P3.40

**3.41** Determine, using superposition, the voltage across  $R$  in the circuit of Figure P3.41.

$$I_B = 12 \text{ A} \quad R_B = 1 \ \Omega$$

$$V_G = 12 \text{ V} \quad R_G = 0.3 \ \Omega$$

$$R = 0.23 \ \Omega$$

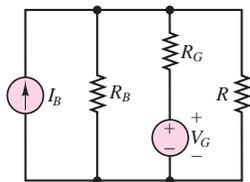


Figure P3.41

**3.42** Using superposition, determine the voltage across  $R_2$  in the circuit of Figure P3.42.

$$V_{S1} = V_{S2} = 12 \text{ V}$$

$$R_1 = R_2 = R_3 = 1 \text{ k}\Omega$$

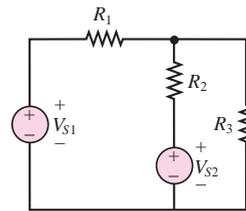


Figure P3.42

**3.43** With reference to Figure P3.43, using superposition, determine the component of the current through  $R_3$  that is due to  $V_{S2}$ .

$$V_{S1} = V_{S2} = 450 \text{ V}$$

$$R_1 = 7 \ \Omega \quad R_2 = 5 \ \Omega$$

$$R_3 = 10 \ \Omega \quad R_4 = R_5 = 1 \ \Omega$$

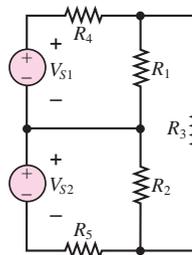


Figure P3.43

**3.44** The circuit shown in Figure P3.35 is a simplified DC version of an AC three-phase electrical distribution system.

$$V_{S1} = V_{S2} = V_{S3} = 170 \text{ V}$$

$$R_{W1} = R_{W2} = R_{W3} = 0.7 \ \Omega$$

$$R_1 = 1.9 \ \Omega \quad R_2 = 2.3 \ \Omega$$

$$R_3 = 11 \ \Omega$$

To prove how cumbersome and inefficient (although sometimes necessary) the method is, determine, using superposition, the current through  $R_1$ .

**3.45** Repeat Problem 3.9, using the principle of superposition.

**3.46** Repeat Problem 3.10, using the principle of superposition.

**3.47** Repeat Problem 3.11, using the principle of superposition.

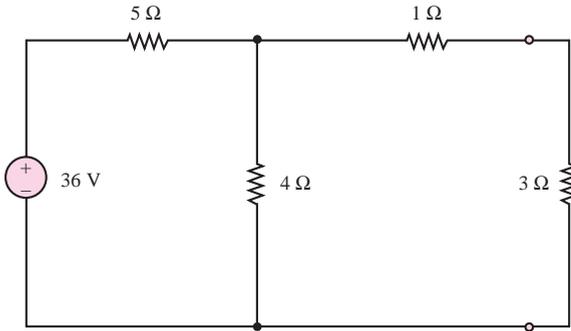
**3.48** Repeat Problem 3.23, using the principle of superposition.

**3.49** Repeat Problem 3.25, using the principle of superposition.

**3.50** Repeat Problem 3.26, using the principle of superposition.

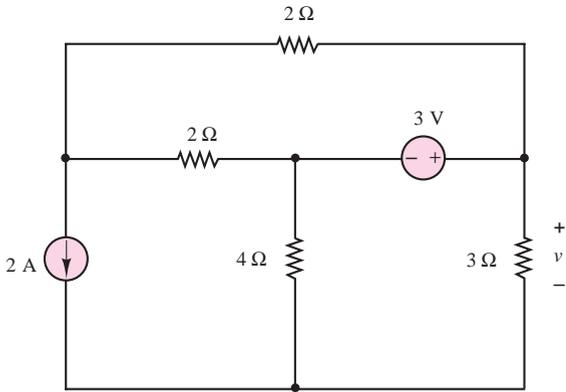
**Section 3.6: One-Port Networks and Equivalent Circuits**

**3.51** Find the Thévenin equivalent circuit as seen by the 3-Ω resistor for the circuit of Figure P3.51.



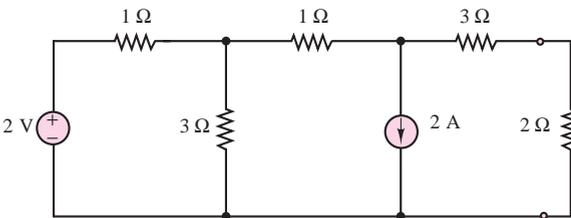
**Figure P3.51**

**3.52** Find the voltage  $v$  across the 3-Ω resistor in the circuit of Figure P3.52 by replacing the remainder of the circuit with its Thévenin equivalent.



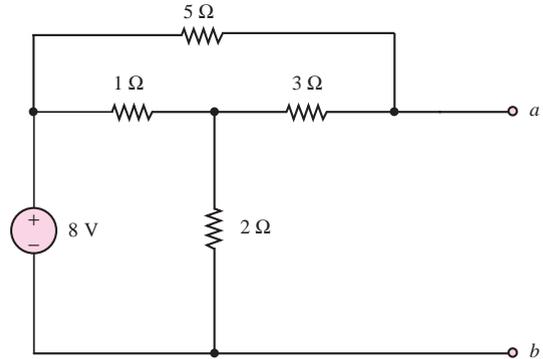
**Figure P3.52**

**3.53** Find the Norton equivalent of the circuit to the left of the 2-Ω resistor in the Figure P3.53.



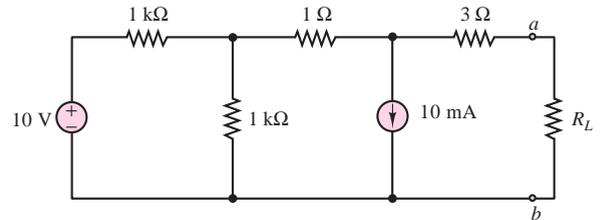
**Figure P3.53**

**3.54** Find the Norton equivalent to the left of terminals  $a$  and  $b$  of the circuit shown in Figure P3.54.



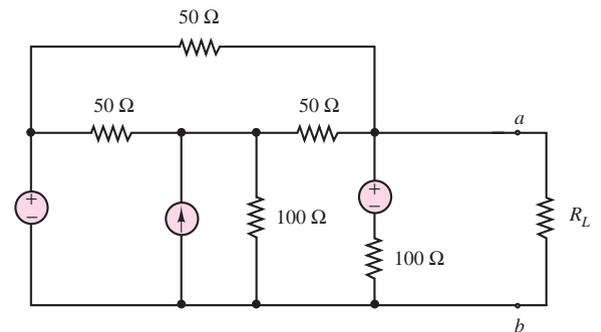
**Figure P3.54**

**3.55** Find the Thévenin equivalent circuit that the load sees for the circuit of Figure P3.55.



**Figure P3.55**

**3.56** Find the Thévenin equivalent resistance seen by the load resistor  $R_L$  in the circuit of Figure P3.56.



**Figure P3.56**

**3.57** Find the Thévenin equivalent of the circuit connected to  $R_L$  in Figure P3.57.

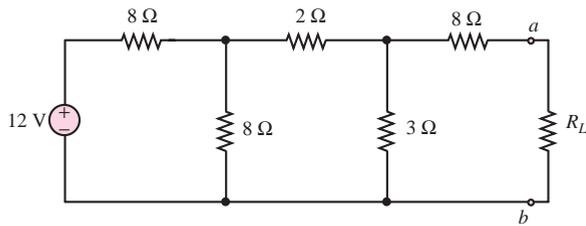


Figure P3.57

**3.58** Find the Thévenin equivalent of the circuit connected to  $R_L$  in Figure P3.58, where  $R_1 = 10 \Omega$ ,  $R_2 = 20 \Omega$ ,  $R_g = 0.1 \Omega$ , and  $R_p = 1 \Omega$ .

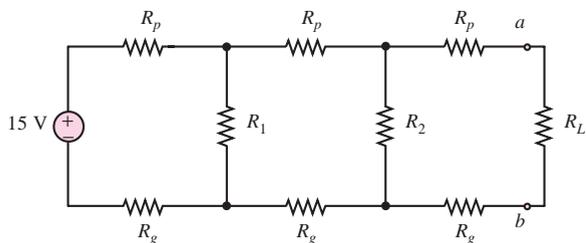


Figure P3.58

**3.59** The Wheatstone bridge circuit shown in Figure P3.59 is used in a number of practical applications. One traditional use is in determining the value of an unknown resistor  $R_x$ . Find the value of the voltage  $V_{ab} = V_a - V_b$  in terms of  $R$ ,  $R_x$ , and  $V_S$ . If  $R = 1 \text{ k}\Omega$ ,  $V_S = 12 \text{ V}$  and  $V_{ab} = 12 \text{ mV}$ , what is the value of  $R_x$ ?

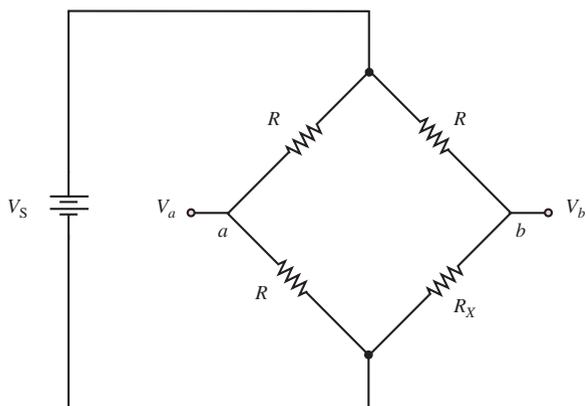


Figure P3.59

**3.60** It is sometimes useful to compute a Thévenin equivalent circuit for a Wheatstone bridge. For the circuit of Figure P3.60,

- Find the Thévenin equivalent resistance seen by the load resistor  $R_L$ .

- If  $V_S = 12 \text{ V}$ ,  $R_1 = R_2 = R_3 = 1 \text{ k}\Omega$ , and  $R_x$  is the resistance found in part b of the previous problem, use the Thévenin equivalent to compute the power dissipated by  $R_L$ , if  $R_L = 500 \Omega$ .
- Find the power dissipated by the Thévenin equivalent resistance  $R_T$  with  $R_L$  included in the circuit.
- Find the power dissipated by the bridge without the load resistor in the circuit.

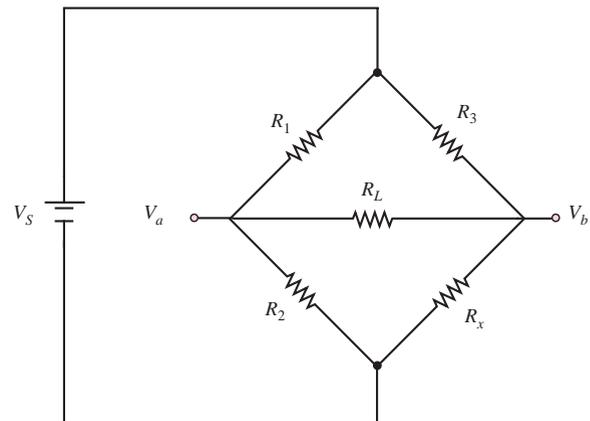


Figure P3.60

**3.61** The circuit shown in Figure P3.61 is in the form of what is known as a *differential amplifier*. Find the expression for  $v_0$  in terms of  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  using Thévenin's or Norton's theorem. Assume that the voltage sources  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  do not source any current.

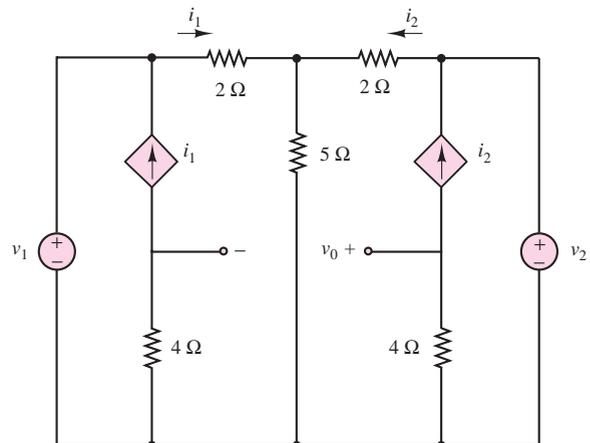


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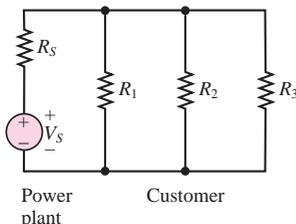
**3.62** Find the Thévenin equivalent resistance seen by resistor  $R_3$  in the circuit of Figure P3.5. Compute the

Thévenin (open-circuit) voltage and the Norton (short-circuit) current when  $R_3$  is the load.

- 3.63** Find the Thévenin equivalent resistance seen by resistor  $R_5$  in the circuit of Figure P3.10. Compute the Thévenin (open-circuit) voltage and the Norton (short-circuit) current when  $R_5$  is the load.
- 3.64** Find the Thévenin equivalent resistance seen by resistor  $R_5$  in the circuit of Figure P3.11. Compute the Thévenin (open-circuit) voltage and the Norton (short-circuit) current when  $R_5$  is the load.
- 3.65** Find the Thévenin equivalent resistance seen by resistor  $R_3$  in the circuit of Figure P3.23. Compute the Thévenin (open-circuit) voltage and the Norton (short-circuit) current when  $R_3$  is the load.
- 3.66** Find the Thévenin equivalent resistance seen by resistor  $R_4$  in the circuit of Figure P3.25. Compute the Thévenin (open-circuit) voltage and the Norton (short-circuit) current when  $R_4$  is the load.
- 3.67** Find the Thévenin equivalent resistance seen by resistor  $R_5$  in the circuit of Figure P3.26. Compute the Thévenin (open-circuit) voltage and the Norton (short-circuit) current when  $R_5$  is the load.
- 3.68** Find the Thévenin equivalent resistance seen by resistor  $R$  in the circuit of Figure P3.41. Compute the Thévenin (open-circuit) voltage and the Norton (short-circuit) current when  $R$  is the load.
- 3.69** Find the Thévenin equivalent resistance seen by resistor  $R_3$  in the circuit of Figure P3.43. Compute the Thévenin (open-circuit) voltage and the Norton (short-circuit) current when  $R_3$  is the load.
- 3.70** In the circuit shown in Figure P3.70,  $V_S$  models the voltage produced by the generator in a power plant, and  $R_S$  models the losses in the generator, distribution wire, and transformers. The three resistances model the various loads connected to the system by a customer. How much does the voltage across the total load change when the customer connects the third load  $R_3$  in parallel with the other two loads?

$$V_S = 110 \text{ V} \quad R_S = 19 \text{ m}\Omega$$

$$R_1 = R_2 = 930 \text{ m}\Omega \quad R_3 = 100 \text{ m}\Omega$$

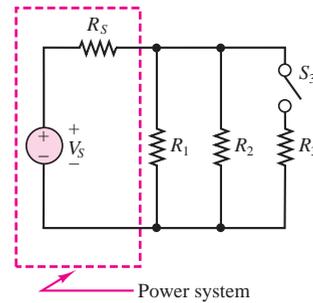


**Figure P3.70**

- 3.71** In the circuit shown in Figure P3.71,  $V_S$  models the voltage produced by the generator in a power plant, and  $R_S$  models the losses in the generator, distribution wire, and transformers. Resistances  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ , and  $R_3$  model the various loads connected by a customer. How much does the voltage across the total load change when the customer closes switch  $S_3$  and connects the third load  $R_3$  in parallel with the other two loads?

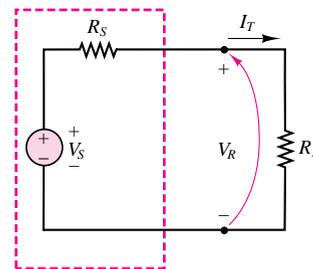
$$V_S = 450 \text{ V} \quad R_S = 19 \text{ m}\Omega$$

$$R_1 = R_2 = 1.3 \text{ }\Omega \quad R_3 = 500 \text{ m}\Omega$$



**Figure P3.71**

- 3.72** A nonideal voltage source is modeled in Figure P3.72 as an ideal source in series with a resistance that models the internal losses, that is, dissipates the same power as the internal losses. In the circuit shown in Figure P3.72, with the load resistor removed so that the current is zero (i.e., no load), the terminal voltage of the source is measured and is 20 V. Then, with  $R_L = 2.7 \text{ k}\Omega$ , the terminal voltage is again measured and is now 18 V. Determine the internal resistance and the voltage of the ideal source.



**Nonideal source**

**Figure P3.72**

### Section 3.7: Maximum Power Transfer

- 3.73** The equivalent circuit of Figure P3.73 has

$$V_T = 12 \text{ V} \quad R_T = 8 \text{ }\Omega$$

If the conditions for maximum power transfer exist, determine

- a. The value of  $R_L$ .
- b. The power developed in  $R_L$ .
- c. The efficiency of the circuit, that is, the ratio of power absorbed by the load to power supplied by the source.

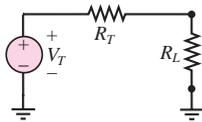


Figure P3.73

**3.74** The equivalent circuit of Figure P3.73 has

$$V_T = 35 \text{ V} \quad R_T = 600 \text{ } \Omega$$

If the conditions for maximum power transfer exist, determine

- a. The value of  $R_L$ .
- b. The power developed in  $R_L$ .
- c. The efficiency of the circuit.

**3.75** A nonideal voltage source can be modeled as an ideal voltage source in series with a resistance representing the internal losses of the source, as shown in Figure P3.75. A load is connected across the terminals of the nonideal source.

$$V_S = 12 \text{ V} \quad R_S = 0.3 \text{ } \Omega$$

- a. Plot the power dissipated in the load as a function of the load resistance. What can you conclude from your plot?
- b. Prove, analytically, that your conclusion is valid in all cases.

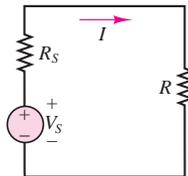


Figure P3.75

**Section 3.8: Nonlinear Circuit Elements**

**3.76** Write the node voltage equations in terms of  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  for the circuit of Figure P3.76. The two nonlinear resistors are characterized by

$$i_a = 2v_a^3$$

$$i_b = v_b^3 + 10v_b$$

Do not solve the resulting equations.

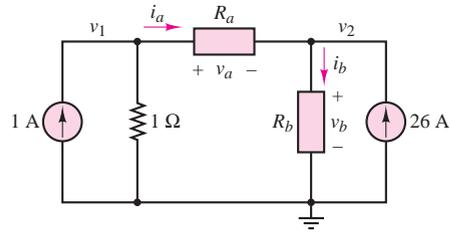


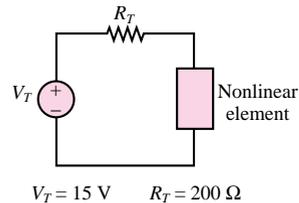
Figure P3.76

**3.77** We have seen that some devices do not have a linear current–voltage characteristic for all  $i$  and  $v$ ; that is,  $R$  is not constant for all values of current and voltage. For many devices, however, we can estimate the characteristics by piecewise linear approximation. For a portion of the characteristic curve around an operating point, the slope of the curve is relatively constant. The inverse of this slope at the operating point is defined as *incremental resistance*  $R_{inc}$ :

$$R_{inc} = \left. \frac{dV}{dI} \right|_{[V_0, I_0]} \approx \left. \frac{\Delta V}{\Delta I} \right|_{[V_0, I_0]}$$

where  $[V_0, I_0]$  is the operating point of the circuit.

- a. For the circuit of Figure P3.77, find the operating point of the element that has the characteristic curve shown.
- b. Find the incremental resistance of the nonlinear element at the operating point of part a.
- c. If  $V_T$  is increased to 20 V, find the new operating point and the new incremental resistance.



$$V_T = 15 \text{ V} \quad R_T = 200 \text{ } \Omega$$

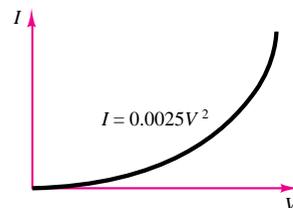
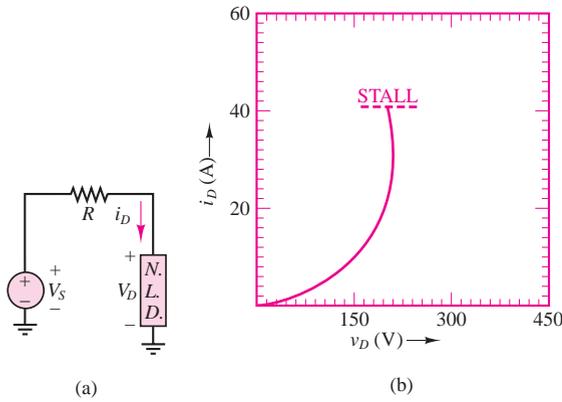


Figure P3.77

**3.78** The device in the circuit in Figure P3.78 is an induction motor with the nonlinear  $i$ - $v$  characteristic shown. Determine the current through and the voltage across the nonlinear device.

$$V_S = 450 \text{ V} \quad R = 9 \text{ } \Omega$$

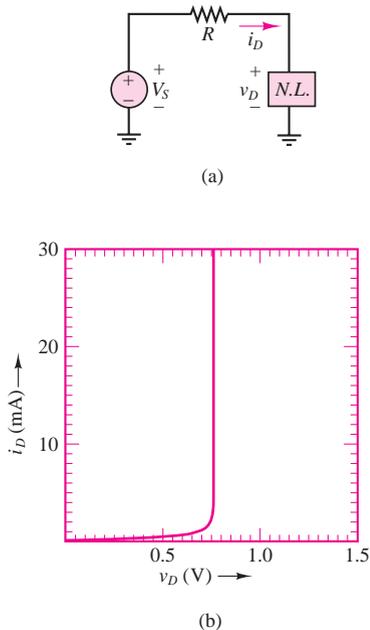


**Figure P3.78**

**3.79** The nonlinear device in the circuit shown in Figure P3.79 has the  $i$ - $v$  characteristic given.

$$V_S = V_{TH} = 1.5 \text{ V} \quad R = R_{eq} = 60 \text{ } \Omega$$

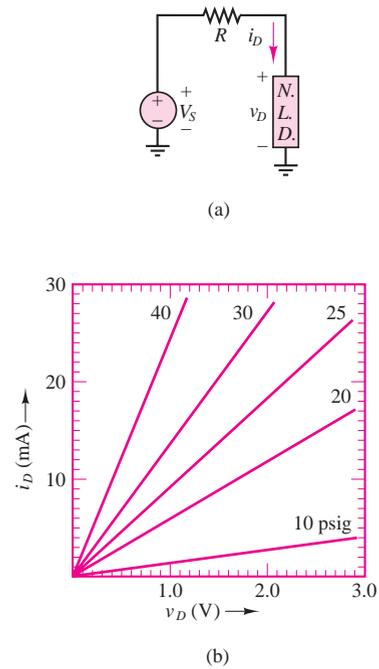
Determine the voltage across and the current through the nonlinear device.



**Figure P3.79**

**3.80** The resistance of the nonlinear device in the circuit in Figure P3.80 is a nonlinear function of pressure. The  $i$ - $v$  characteristic of the device is shown as a family of curves for various pressures. Construct the DC load line. Plot the voltage across the device as a function of pressure. Determine the current through the device when  $P = 30$  psig.

$$V_S = V_{TH} = 2.5 \text{ V} \quad R = R_{eq} = 125 \text{ } \Omega$$



**Figure P3.80**

**3.81** The nonlinear device in the circuit shown in Figure P3.81 has the  $i$ - $v$  characteristic

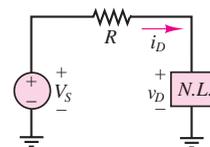
$$i_D = I_o e^{v_D/V_T}$$

$$I_o = 10^{-15} \text{ A} \quad V_T = 26 \text{ mV}$$

$$V_S = V_{TH} = 1.5 \text{ V}$$

$$R = R_{eq} = 60 \text{ } \Omega$$

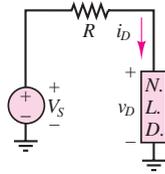
Determine an expression for the DC load line. Then use an iterative technique to determine the voltage across and current through the nonlinear device.



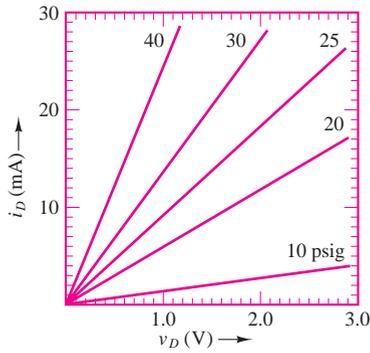
**Figure P3.81**

**3.82** The resistance of the nonlinear device in the circuits shown in Figure P3.82 is a nonlinear function of pressure. The  $i-v$  characteristic of the device is shown as a family of curves for various pressures. Construct the DC load line and determine the current through the device when  $P = 40$  psig.

$$V_S = V_{TH} = 2.5 \text{ V} \quad R = R_{eq} = 125 \text{ } \Omega$$



(a)



(b)

**Figure P3.82**

**3.83** The voltage-current ( $i_D - v_D$ ) relationship of a semiconductor diode may be approximated by the expression

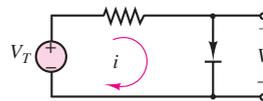
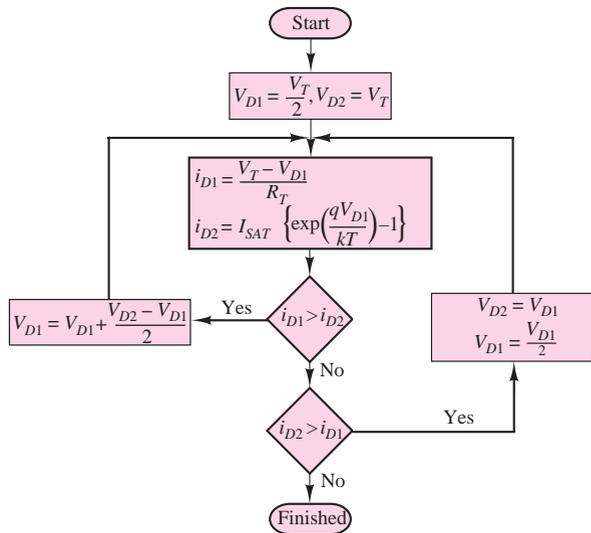
$$i_D = I_{SAT} \left( \exp \left\{ \frac{v_D}{kT/q} \right\} - 1 \right)$$

where, at room temperature,

$$I_{SAT} = 10^{-12} \text{ A}$$

$$\frac{kT}{q} = 0.0259 \text{ V}$$

- Given the circuit of Figure P3.83, use graphical analysis to find the diode current and diode voltage if  $R_T = 22 \text{ } \Omega$  and  $V_T = 12 \text{ V}$ .
- Write a computer program in MATLAB™ (or in any other programming language) that will find the diode voltage and current using the flowchart shown in Figure P3.83.



**Figure P3.83**

# C H A P T E R

# 4

## AC NETWORK ANALYSIS

Chapter 4 is dedicated to two main ideas: *energy storage (dynamic) circuit elements* and the analysis of *AC circuits excited by sinusoidal voltages and currents*. First, dynamic circuit elements, that is, capacitors and inductors, are defined. These are circuit elements that are described by an *i-v* characteristic of differential or integral form. Next, *time-dependent signal sources* and the concepts of average and root-mean-square (rms) values are introduced. Special emphasis is placed on sinusoidal signals, as this class of signals is especially important in the analysis of electric circuits (think, e.g., of the fact that all electric power for residential and industrial uses comes in sinusoidal form). Once these basic elements have been presented, the focus shifts to how to write circuit equations when time-dependent sources and dynamic elements are present. The equations that result from the application of KVL and KCL take the form of differential equations. The general solution of these differential equations is covered in Chapter 5. The remainder of the chapter discusses one particular case: the solution of circuit differential equations when the excitation is a sinusoidal voltage or current; a very powerful method, *phasor analysis*, is introduced along with the related concept of *impedance*. This methodology effectively converts the circuit differential equations to algebraic equations in which complex algebra notation is used to arrive at the solution. Phasor analysis is then used to

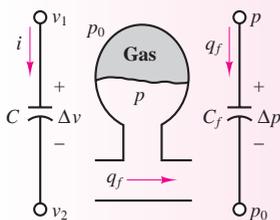


## Fluid (Hydraulic) Capacitance

We continue the analogy between electrical and hydraulic circuits. If a vessel has some elasticity, energy is stored in the expansion and contraction of the vessel walls (this should remind you of a mechanical spring). This phenomenon gives rise to a **fluid capacitance** effect very similar to electrical capacitance. The energy stored in the compression and expansion of the gas is of the *potential energy* type. Figure 4.1 depicts a gas-bag accumulator: a two-chamber arrangement that permits fluid to displace a membrane separating the incompressible fluid from a compressible fluid (e.g., air). The analogy shown in Figure 4.1 assumes that the reference pressure  $p_0$  is zero (“ground” or reference pressure), and that  $v_2$  is ground. The analog equations are given below.

$$q_f = C_f \frac{d\Delta p}{dt} = C_f \frac{dp}{dt}$$

$$i = C \frac{d\Delta v}{dt} = C \frac{dv_1}{dt}$$



**Figure 4.1** Analogy between electrical and fluid capacitance

demonstrate that all the network analysis techniques of Chapter 3 are applicable to the analysis of dynamic circuits with sinusoidal excitations, and a number of examples are presented.

## Learning Objectives

1. Compute currents, voltages, and energy stored in capacitors and inductors. *Section 1.*
2. Calculate the average and root-mean-square value of an arbitrary (periodic) signal. *Section 2.*
3. Write the differential equation(s) for circuits containing inductors and capacitors. *Section 3.*
4. Convert time-domain sinusoidal voltages and currents to phasor notation, and vice versa, and represent circuits using impedances. *Section 4.*

## 4.1 ENERGY STORAGE (DYNAMIC) CIRCUIT ELEMENTS

The ideal resistor was introduced through Ohm’s law in Chapter 2 as a useful idealization of many practical electrical devices. However, in addition to resistance to the flow of electric current, which is purely a dissipative (i.e., an energy loss) phenomenon, electric devices may exhibit energy storage properties, much in the same way as a spring or a flywheel can store mechanical energy. Two distinct mechanisms for energy storage exist in electric circuits: **capacitance** and **inductance**, both of which lead to the storage of energy in an electromagnetic field. For the purpose of this discussion, it will not be necessary to enter into a detailed electromagnetic analysis of these devices. Rather, two ideal circuit elements will be introduced to represent the ideal properties of capacitive and inductive energy storage: the **ideal capacitor** and the **ideal inductor**. It should be stated clearly that ideal capacitors and inductors do not exist, strictly speaking; however, just like the ideal resistor, these “ideal” elements are very useful for understanding the behavior of physical circuits. In practice, any component of an electric circuit will exhibit some resistance, some inductance, and some capacitance—that is, some energy dissipation and some energy storage. The sidebar on hydraulic analogs of electric circuits illustrates that the concept of capacitance does not just apply to electric circuits.

### The Ideal Capacitor

A physical capacitor is a device that can store energy in the form of a charge separation when appropriately polarized by an electric field (i.e., a voltage). The simplest capacitor configuration consists of two parallel conducting plates of cross-sectional area  $A$ , separated by air (or another **dielectric**<sup>1</sup> material, such as mica or Teflon). Figure 4.2 depicts a typical configuration and the circuit symbol for a capacitor.

<sup>1</sup>A dielectric material is a material that is not an electrical conductor but contains a large number of electric dipoles, which become polarized in the presence of an electric field.

The presence of an insulating material between the conducting plates does not allow for the flow of DC current; thus, *a capacitor acts as an open circuit in the presence of DC current*. However, if the voltage present at the capacitor terminals changes as a function of time, so will the charge that has accumulated at the two capacitor plates, since the degree of polarization is a function of the applied electric field, which is time-varying. In a capacitor, the charge separation caused by the polarization of the dielectric is proportional to the external voltage, that is, to the applied electric field

$$Q = CV \tag{4.1}$$

where the parameter  $C$  is called the *capacitance* of the element and is a measure of the ability of the device to accumulate, or store, charge. The unit of capacitance is coulomb per volt and is called the **farad (F)**. The farad is an unpractically large unit for many common electronic circuit applications; therefore it is common to use microfarads ( $1 \mu\text{F} = 10^{-6} \text{ F}$ ) or picofarads ( $1 \text{ pF} = 10^{-12} \text{ F}$ ). From equation 4.1 it becomes apparent that if the external voltage applied to the capacitor plates changes in time, so will the charge that is internally stored by the capacitor:

$$q(t) = Cv(t) \tag{4.2}$$

Thus, although no current can flow through a capacitor if the voltage across it is constant, a time-varying voltage will cause charge to vary in time.

The change with time in the stored charge is analogous to a current. You can easily see this by recalling the definition of current given in Chapter 2, where it was stated that

$$i(t) = \frac{dq(t)}{dt} \tag{4.3}$$

that is, electric current corresponds to the time rate of change of charge. Differentiating equation 4.2, one can obtain a relationship between the current and voltage in a capacitor:

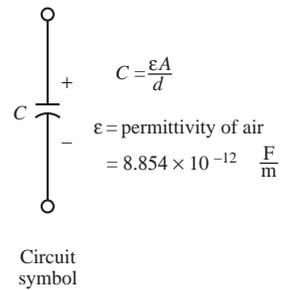
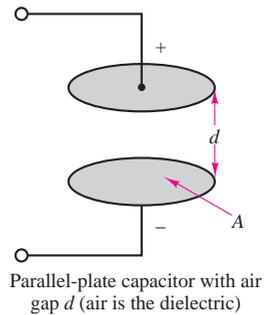
$$i(t) = C \frac{dv(t)}{dt} \quad i\text{-}v \text{ relation for capacitor} \tag{4.4}$$

Equation 4.4 is the defining circuit law for a capacitor. If the differential equation that defines the  $i$ - $v$  relationship for a capacitor is integrated, one can obtain the following relationship for the voltage across a capacitor:

$$v_C(t) = \frac{1}{C} \int_{-\infty}^t i_C(t') dt' \tag{4.5}$$

Equation 4.5 indicates that the capacitor voltage depends on the past current through the capacitor, up until the present time  $t$ . Of course, one does not usually have precise information regarding the flow of capacitor current for all past time, and so it is useful to define the initial voltage (or *initial condition*) for the capacitor according to the following, where  $t_0$  is an arbitrary initial time:

$$V_0 = v_C(t = t_0) = \frac{1}{C} \int_{-\infty}^{t_0} i_C(t') dt' \tag{4.6}$$



**Figure 4.2** Structure of parallel-plate capacitor



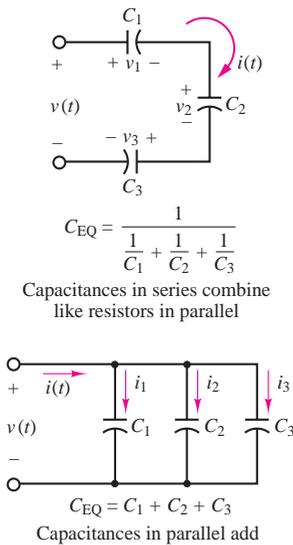
The capacitor voltage is now given by the expression

$$v_C(t) = \frac{1}{C} \int_{t_0}^t i_C(t') dt' + V_0 \quad t \geq t_0 \quad (4.7)$$

The significance of the initial voltage  $V_0$  is simply that at time  $t_0$  some charge is stored in the capacitor, giving rise to a voltage  $v_C(t_0)$ , according to the relationship  $Q = CV$ . Knowledge of this initial condition is sufficient to account for the entire history of the capacitor current.

Capacitors connected in series and parallel can be combined to yield a single equivalent capacitance. The rule of thumb, which is illustrated in Figure 4.3, is the following:

Capacitors in parallel add. Capacitors in series combine according to the same rules used for resistors connected in parallel.



**Figure 4.3** Combining capacitors in a circuit

It is very easy to prove that capacitors in series combine as shown in Figure 4.3, using the definition of equation 4.5. Consider the three capacitors in series in the circuit of Figure 4.3. Using Kirchhoff's voltage law and the definition of the capacitor voltage, we can write

$$\begin{aligned} v(t) &= v_1(t) + v_1(t) + v_1(t) \\ &= \frac{1}{C_1} \int_{-\infty}^t i(t') dt' + \frac{1}{C_2} \int_{-\infty}^t i(t') dt' + \frac{1}{C_3} \int_{-\infty}^t i(t') dt' \\ &= \left( \frac{1}{C_1} + \frac{1}{C_2} + \frac{1}{C_3} \right) \int_{-\infty}^t i(t') dt' \end{aligned} \quad (4.8)$$

Thus, the voltage across the three series capacitors is the same as would be seen across a single equivalent capacitor  $C_{eq}$  with  $1/C_{eq} = 1/C_1 + 1/C_2 + 1/C_3$ , as illustrated in Figure 4.3. You can easily use the same method to prove that the three parallel capacitors in the bottom half of Figure 4.3 combine as do resistors in series.



### EXAMPLE 4.1 Charge Separation in Ultracapacitors

#### Problem



**Ultracapacitors** are finding application in a variety of fields, including as a replacement or supplement for batteries in hybrid-electric vehicles. In this example you will make your first acquaintance with these devices.

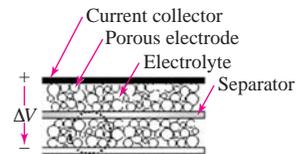
An ultracapacitor, or “supercapacitor,” stores energy electrostatically by polarizing an electrolytic solution. Although it is an electrochemical device (also known as an electrochemical double-layer capacitor), there are no chemical reactions involved in its energy storage mechanism. This mechanism is highly reversible, allowing the ultracapacitor to be charged and discharged hundreds of thousands of times. An ultracapacitor can be viewed as two nonreactive porous

plates suspended within an electrolyte, with a voltage applied across the plates. The applied potential on the positive plate attracts the negative ions in the electrolyte, while the potential on the negative plate attracts the positive ions. This effectively creates two layers of capacitive storage, one where the charges are separated at the positive plate and another at the negative plate.

Recall that capacitors store energy in the form of separated electric charge. The greater the area for storing charge and the closer the separated charges, the greater the capacitance. A conventional capacitor gets its area from plates of a flat, conductive material. To achieve high capacitance, this material can be wound in great lengths, and sometimes a texture is imprinted on it to increase its surface area. A conventional capacitor separates its charged plates with a dielectric material, sometimes a plastic or paper film, or a ceramic. These dielectrics can be made only as thin as the available films or applied materials.

An ultracapacitor gets its area from a porous carbon-based electrode material, as shown in Figure 4.4. The porous structure of this material allows its surface area to approach 2,000 square meters per gram ( $\text{m}^2/\text{g}$ ), much greater than can be accomplished using flat or textured films and plates. An ultracapacitor's charge separation distance is determined by the size of the ions in the electrolyte, which are attracted to the charged electrode. This charge separation [less than 10 angstroms ( $\text{\AA}$ )] is much smaller than can be achieved using conventional dielectric materials. The combination of enormous surface area and extremely small charge separation gives the ultracapacitor its outstanding capacitance relative to conventional capacitors.

Use the data provided to calculate the charge stored in an ultracapacitor, and calculate how long it will take to discharge the capacitor at the maximum current rate.



**Figure 4.4** Ultracapacitor structure

## Solution

**Known Quantities:** Technical specifications are as follows:

Capacitance	100 F	(−10% / + 30%)
Series resistance	DC	15 mΩ (±25%)
	1 kHz	7 mΩ (±25%)
Voltage	Continuous	2.5 V; Peak 2.7 V
Rated current	25 A	

**Find:** Charge separation at nominal voltage and time to complete discharge at maximum current rate.

**Analysis:** Based on the definition of charge storage in a capacitor, we calculate

$$Q = CV = 100 \text{ F} \times 2.5 \text{ V} = 250 \text{ C}$$

To calculate how long it would take to discharge the ultracapacitor, we approximate the defining differential equation (4.4) as follows:

$$i = \frac{dq}{dt} \approx \frac{\Delta q}{\Delta t}$$

Since we know that the discharge current is 25 A and the available charge separation is 250 F, we can calculate the time to complete discharge, assuming a constant 25-A discharge:

$$\Delta t = \frac{\Delta q}{i} = \frac{250 \text{ C}}{25 \text{ A}} = 10 \text{ s}$$

**Comments:** We shall continue our exploration of ultracapacitors in Chapter 5. In particular, we shall look more closely at the charging and discharging behavior of these devices, taking into consideration their internal resistance.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Compare the charge separation achieved in this ultracapacitor with a (similarly sized) electrolytic capacitor used in power electronics applications, by calculating the charge separation for a 2,000- $\mu\text{F}$  electrolytic capacitor rated at 400 V.

Answer: 0.8 C



### EXAMPLE 4.2 Calculating Capacitor Current from Voltage

#### Problem

Calculate the current through a capacitor from knowledge of its terminal voltage.

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Capacitor terminal voltage; capacitance value.

**Find:** Capacitor current.

**Assumptions:** The initial current through the capacitor is zero.

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $v(t) = 5(1 - e^{-t/10^{-6}})$  volts;  $t \geq 0$  s;  $C = 0.1 \mu\text{F}$ . The terminal voltage is plotted in Figure 4.5.

**Assumptions:** The capacitor is initially discharged:  $v(t = 0) = 0$ .

**Analysis:** Using the defining differential relationship for the capacitor, we may obtain the current by differentiating the voltage:

$$i_C(t) = C \frac{dv(t)}{dt} = 10^{-7} \frac{5}{10^{-6}} \left( e^{-t/10^{-6}} \right) = 0.5 e^{-t/10^{-6}} \quad \text{A} \quad t \geq 0$$

A plot of the capacitor current is shown in Figure 4.6. Note how the current jumps to 0.5 A instantaneously as the voltage rises exponentially: The ability of a capacitor's current to change instantaneously is an important property of capacitors.

**Comments:** As the voltage approaches the constant value 5 V, the capacitor reaches its maximum charge storage capability for that voltage (since  $Q = CV$ ) and no more current flows through the capacitor. The total charge stored is  $Q = 0.5 \times 10^{-6}$  C. This is a fairly small amount of charge, but it can produce a substantial amount of current for a brief time. For example, the fully charged capacitor could provide 100 mA of current for a time equal to 5  $\mu\text{s}$ :

$$I = \frac{\Delta Q}{\Delta t} = \frac{0.5 \times 10^{-6}}{5 \times 10^{-6}} = 0.1 \text{ A}$$

There are many useful applications of this energy storage property of capacitors in practical circuits.

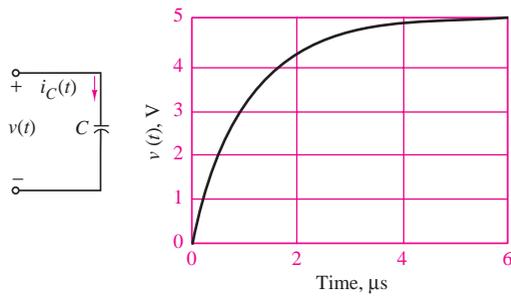


Figure 4.5

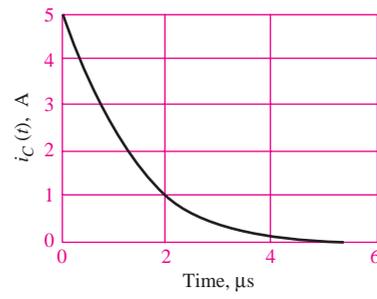
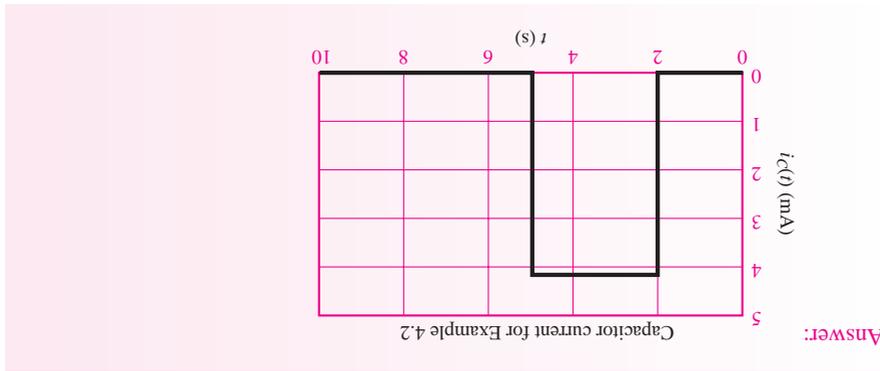
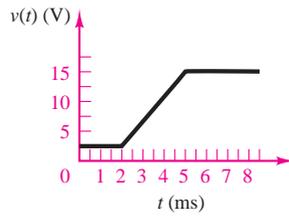


Figure 4.6

### CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

The voltage waveform shown below appears across a 1,000- $\mu\text{F}$  capacitor. Plot the capacitor current  $i_C(t)$ .



### EXAMPLE 4.3 Calculating Capacitor Voltage from Current and Initial Conditions



#### Problem

Calculate the voltage across a capacitor from knowledge of its current and initial state of charge.

**Solution**

**Known Quantities:** Capacitor current; initial capacitor voltage; capacitance value.

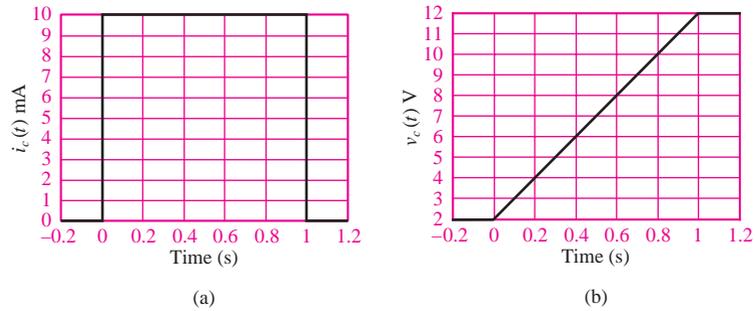
**Find:** Capacitor voltage.

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**

$$i_C(t) = I \begin{cases} 0 & t < 0 \text{ s} \\ 10 \text{ mA} & 0 \leq t \leq 1 \text{ s} \\ 0 & t > 1 \text{ s} \end{cases}$$

$$v_C(t = 0) = 2 \text{ V} \quad C = 1,000 \mu\text{F}$$

The capacitor current is plotted in Figure 4.7(a).



**Figure 4.7**

**Assumptions:** The capacitor is initially charged such that  $v_C(t = t_0 = 0) = 2 \text{ V}$ .

**Analysis:** Using the defining integral relationship for the capacitor, we may obtain the voltage by integrating the current:

$$v_C(t) = \frac{1}{C} \int_{t_0}^t i_C(t') dt' + v_C(t_0) \quad t \geq t_0$$

$$= \begin{cases} \frac{1}{C} \int_0^1 I dt' + V_0 = \frac{I}{C}t + V_0 = 10t + 2 \text{ V} & 0 \leq t \leq 1 \text{ s} \\ 12 \text{ V} & t > 1 \text{ s} \end{cases}$$

**Comments:** Once the current stops, at  $t = 1 \text{ s}$ , the capacitor voltage cannot develop any further but remains at the maximum value it reached at  $t = 1 \text{ s}$ :  $v_C(t = 1) = 12 \text{ V}$ . The final value of the capacitor voltage after the current source has stopped charging the capacitor depends on two factors: (1) the initial value of the capacitor voltage and (2) the history of the capacitor current. Figure 4.7(a) and (b) depict the two waveforms.

**CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING**

Find the maximum current through the capacitor of Example 4.3 if the capacitor voltage is described by  $v_C(t) = 5t + 3 \text{ V}$  for  $0 \leq t \leq 5 \text{ s}$ .

Answer: 5 mA

**Physical capacitors** are rarely constructed of two parallel plates separated by air, because this configuration yields very low values of capacitance, unless one is willing to tolerate very large plate areas. To increase the capacitance (i.e., the ability to store energy), physical capacitors are often made of tightly rolled sheets of metal film, with a dielectric (paper or Mylar) sandwiched in between. Table 4.1 illustrates typical values, materials, maximum voltage ratings, and useful frequency ranges for various types of capacitors. The voltage rating is particularly important, because any insulator will break down if a sufficiently high voltage is applied across it.



**Table 4.1** Capacitors

Material	Capacitance range	Maximum voltage (V)	Frequency range (Hz)
Mica	1 pF to 0.1 $\mu\text{F}$	100–600	$10^3$ – $10^{10}$
Ceramic	10 pF to 1 $\mu\text{F}$	50–1,000	$10^3$ – $10^{10}$
Mylar	0.001 $\mu\text{F}$ to 10 $\mu\text{F}$	50–500	$10^2$ – $10^8$
Paper	1,000 pF to 50 $\mu\text{F}$	100–105	$10^2$ – $10^8$
Electrolytic	0.1 $\mu\text{F}$ to 0.2 F	3–600	$10$ – $10^4$

## Energy Storage in Capacitors

You may recall that the capacitor was described earlier in this section as an energy storage element. An expression for the energy stored in the capacitor  $W_C(t)$  may be derived easily if we recall that energy is the integral of power, and that the instantaneous power in a circuit element is equal to the product of voltage and current:

$$\begin{aligned}
 W_C(t) &= \int P_C(t') dt' \\
 &= \int v_C(t') i_C(t') dt' \\
 &= \int v_C(t') C \frac{dv_C(t')}{dt'} dt'
 \end{aligned} \tag{4.9}$$

$$W_C(t) = \frac{1}{2} C v_C^2(t) \quad \text{Energy stored in a capacitor (J)}$$



Example 4.4 illustrates the calculation of the energy stored in a capacitor.

### EXAMPLE 4.4 Energy Storage in Ultracapacitors

#### Problem

Determine the energy stored in the ultracapacitor of Example 4.1.

**Solution**

**Known Quantities:** See Example 4.1.

**Find:** Energy stored in capacitor.

**Analysis:** To calculate the energy, we use equation 4.9:

$$W_C = \frac{1}{2} C v_C^2 = \frac{1}{2} (100 \text{ F})(2.5 \text{ V})^2 = 312.5 \text{ J}$$

**CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING**

Compare the energy stored in this ultracapacitor with a (similarly sized) electrolytic capacitor used in power electronics applications, by calculating the charge separation for a 2,000- $\mu\text{F}$  electrolytic capacitor rated at 400 V.

Answer: 160 J

**The Ideal Inductor**

The ideal inductor is an element that has the ability to store energy in a magnetic field. Inductors are typically made by winding a coil of wire around a **core**, which can be an insulator or a ferromagnetic material, as shown in Figure 4.8. When a current flows through the coil, a magnetic field is established, as you may recall from early physics experiments with electromagnets. Just as we found an analogy between electric and fluid circuits for the capacitor, we can describe a phenomenon similar to inductance in hydraulic circuits, as explained in the sidebar. In an ideal inductor, the resistance of the wire is zero so that a constant current through the inductor will flow freely without causing a voltage drop. In other words, *the ideal inductor acts as a short circuit in the presence of DC*. If a time-varying voltage is established across the inductor, a corresponding current will result, according to the following relationship:



$$v_L(t) = L \frac{di_L(t)}{dt} \quad i\text{-}v \text{ relation for inductor} \quad (4.10)$$

where  $L$  is called the *inductance* of the coil and is measured in **henrys (H)**, where

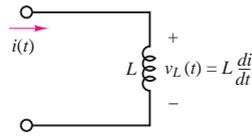
$$1 \text{ H} = 1 \text{ V}\cdot\text{s}/\text{A} \quad (4.11)$$



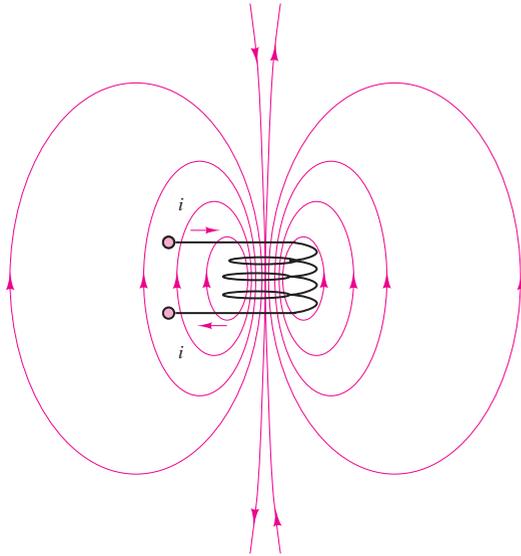
Henrys are reasonable units for **practical inductors**; millihenrys (mH) and microhenrys ( $\mu\text{H}$ ) are also used.

It is instructive to compare equation 4.10, which defines the behavior of an ideal inductor, with the expression relating capacitor current and voltage:

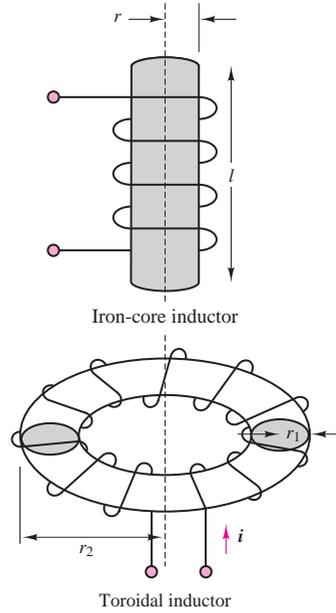
$$i_C(t) = C \frac{dv_C(t)}{dt} \quad (4.12)$$



(a) Circuit symbol



(b) Magnetic flux lines in the vicinity of a current-carrying coil



(c) Practical inductors

**Figure 4.8** Inductance and practical inductors

We note that the roles of voltage and current are reversed in the two elements, but that both are described by a differential equation of the same form. This *duality* between inductors and capacitors can be exploited to derive the same basic results for the inductor that we already have for the capacitor, simply by replacing the capacitance parameter  $C$  with the inductance  $L$  and voltage with current (and vice versa) in

**Table 4.2** Analogy between electric and fluid circuits

Property	Electrical element or equation	Hydraulic analogy
Potential variable	Voltage or potential difference	Pressure difference
Flow variable	Current flow	Fluid volume flow rate
Resistance	Resistor $R$	Fluid resistor $R_f$
Capacitance	Capacitor $C$	Fluid capacitor $C_f$
Inductance	Inductor $L$	Fluid inertor $I_f$
Power dissipation	$P = i^2 R$	$P_f = q_f^2 R_f$
Potential energy storage	$W_p = \frac{1}{2} C v^2$	$W_p = \frac{1}{2} C_f p^2$
Kinetic energy storage	$W_k = \frac{1}{2} L i^2$	$W_k = \frac{1}{2} I_f q_f^2$



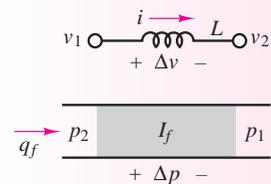
## Fluid (Hydraulic) Inertance

The **fluid inertance** parameter is analogous to inductance in the electric circuit. Fluid inertance, as the name suggests, is caused by the inertial properties, i.e., the mass, of the fluid in motion. As you know from physics, a particle in motion has kinetic energy associated with it; fluid in motion consists of a collection of particles, and it also therefore must have kinetic energy storage properties. (Think of water flowing out of a fire hose!) The equations that define the analogy are given below

$$\Delta p = p_1 - p_2 = I_f \frac{dq_f}{dt}$$

$$\Delta v = v_1 - v_2 = L \frac{di}{dt}$$

Figure 4.9 depicts the analogy between electrical inductance and fluid inertance. These analogies and the energy equations that apply to electrical and fluid circuit elements are summarized in Table 4.2.



**Figure 4.9** Analogy between fluid inertance and electrical inductance

the equations we derived for the capacitor. Thus, the inductor current is found by integrating the voltage across the inductor:

$$i_L(t) = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-\infty}^t v_L(t') dt' \quad (4.13)$$

If the current flowing through the inductor at time  $t = t_0$  is known to be  $I_0$ , with

$$I_0 = i_L(t = t_0) = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-\infty}^{t_0} v_L(t') dt' \quad (4.14)$$

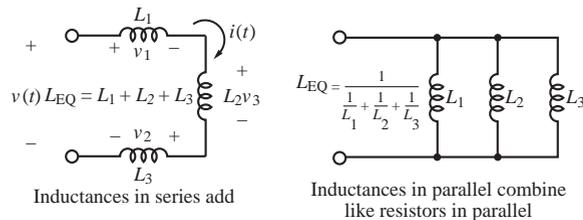
then the inductor current can be found according to the equation

$$i_L(t) = \frac{1}{L} \int_{t_0}^t v_L(t') dt' + I_0 \quad t \geq t_0 \quad (4.15)$$

Series and parallel combinations of inductors behave as resistors, as illustrated in Figure 4.10, and stated as follows:



Inductors in series add. Inductors in parallel combine according to the same rules used for resistors connected in parallel.



**Figure 4.10** Combining inductors in a circuit

It is very easy to prove that inductors in series combine as shown in Figure 4.10, using the definition of equation 4.10. Consider the three inductors in series in the circuit on the left of Figure 4.10. Using Kirchhoff's voltage law and the definition of the capacitor voltage, we can write

$$\begin{aligned} v(t) &= v_1(t) + v_2(t) + v_3(t) = L_1 \frac{di(t)}{dt} + L_2 \frac{di(t)}{dt} + L_3 \frac{di(t)}{dt} \\ &= (L_1 + L_2 + L_3) \frac{di(t)}{dt} \end{aligned} \quad (4.16)$$

Thus, the voltage across the three series inductors is the same that would be seen across a single equivalent inductor  $L_{eq}$  with  $L_{eq} = L_1 + L_2 + L_3$ , as illustrated in Figure 4.10. You can easily use the same method to prove that the three parallel inductors on the right half of Figure 4.10 combine as resistors in parallel do.



### EXAMPLE 4.5 Calculating Inductor Voltage from Current

#### Problem

Calculate the voltage across the inductor from knowledge of its current.

**Solution**

**Known Quantities:** Inductor current; inductance value.

**Find:** Inductor voltage.

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**

$$i_L(t) = \begin{cases} 0 \text{ mA} & t < 1 \text{ ms} \\ -\frac{0.1}{4} + \frac{0.1}{4}t \text{ mA} & 1 \leq t \leq 5 \text{ ms} \\ 0.1 \text{ mA} & 5 \leq t \leq 9 \text{ ms} \\ 13 \times \frac{0.1}{4} - \frac{0.1}{4}t \text{ mA} & 9 \leq t \leq 13 \text{ ms} \\ 0 \text{ mA} & t > 13 \text{ ms} \end{cases}$$

$$L = 10 \text{ H}$$

The inductor current is plotted in Figure 4.11.

**Assumptions:**  $i_L(t = 0) \leq 0$ .

**Analysis:** Using the defining differential relationship for the inductor, we may obtain the voltage by differentiating the current:

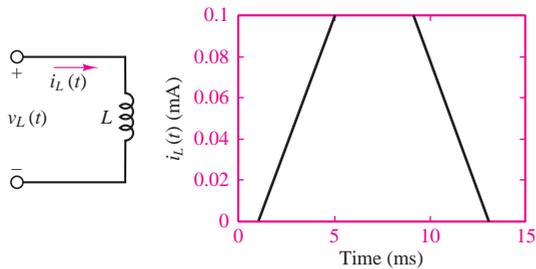
$$v_L(t) = L \frac{di_L(t)}{dt}$$

Piecewise differentiating the expression for the inductor current, we obtain

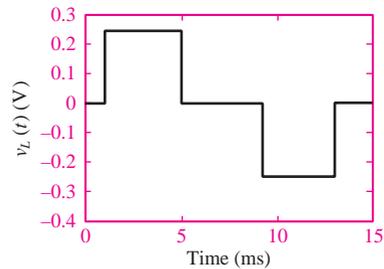
$$v_L(t) = \begin{cases} 0 \text{ V} & t < 1 \text{ ms} \\ 0.25 \text{ V} & 1 < t \leq 5 \text{ ms} \\ 0 \text{ V} & 5 < t \leq 9 \text{ ms} \\ -0.25 \text{ V} & 9 < t \leq 13 \text{ ms} \\ 0 \text{ V} & t > 13 \text{ ms} \end{cases}$$

The inductor voltage is plotted in Figure 4.12.

**Comments:** Note how the inductor voltage has the ability to change instantaneously!



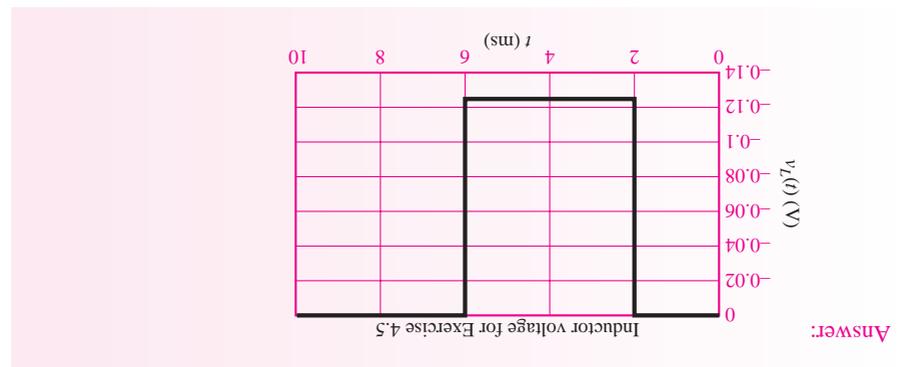
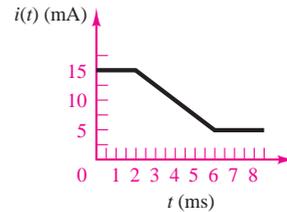
**Figure 4.11**



**Figure 4.12**

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

The current waveform shown below flows through a 50-mH inductor. Plot the inductor voltage  $v_L(t)$ .



## EXAMPLE 4.6 Calculating Inductor Current from Voltage

### Problem

Calculate the current through the inductor from knowledge of the terminal voltage and of the initial current.

### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Inductor voltage; initial condition (current at  $t = 0$ ); inductance value.

**Find:** Inductor current.

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**

$$v(t) = \begin{cases} 0 \text{ V} & t < 0 \text{ s} \\ -10 \text{ mV} & 0 < t \leq 1 \text{ s} \\ 0 \text{ V} & t > 1 \text{ s} \end{cases}$$

$$L = 10 \text{ mH}; \quad i_L(t = 0) = I_0 = 0 \text{ A}$$

The terminal voltage is plotted in Figure 4.13(a).

**Assumptions:**  $i_L(t = 0) = I_0 = 0$ .

**Analysis:** Using the defining integral relationship for the inductor, we may obtain the voltage

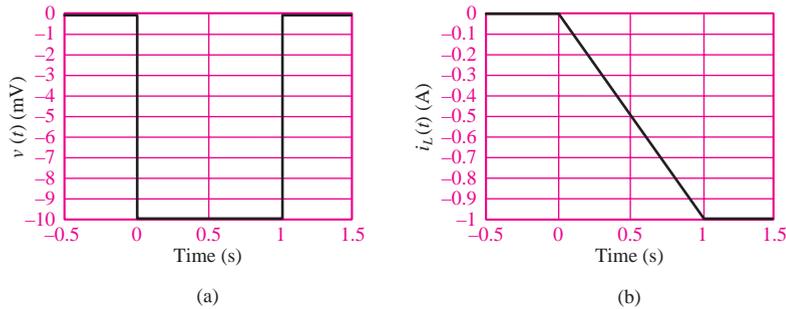


Figure 4.13

by integrating the current:

$$i_L(t) = \frac{1}{L} \int_{t_0}^t v(t') dt' + i_L(t_0) \quad t \geq t_0$$

$$= \begin{cases} \frac{1}{L} \int_0^t (-10 \times 10^{-3}) dt' + I_0 = \frac{-10^{-2}}{10^{-2}} t + 0 = -t \text{ A} & 0 \leq t \leq 1 \text{ s} \\ -1 \text{ A} & t > 1 \text{ s} \end{cases}$$

The inductor current is plotted in Figure 4.13(b).

**Comments:** Note how the inductor voltage has the ability to change instantaneously!

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Find the maximum voltage across the inductor of Example 4.6 if the inductor current is described by  $i_L(t) = 2t$  amperes for  $0 \leq t \leq 2$  s.

Answer: 20 mV

## Energy Storage in Inductors

The magnetic energy stored in an ideal inductor may be found from a power calculation by following the same procedure employed for the ideal capacitor. The instantaneous power in the inductor is given by

$$P_L(t) = i_L(t)v_L(t) = i_L(t)L \frac{di_L(t)}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt} \left[ \frac{1}{2} Li_L^2(t) \right] \quad (4.17)$$

Integrating the power, we obtain the total energy stored in the inductor, as shown in the following equation:

$$W_L(t) = \int P_L(t') dt' = \int \frac{d}{dt'} \left[ \frac{1}{2} Li_L^2(t') \right] dt' \quad (4.18)$$



$$W_L(t) = \frac{1}{2} Li_L^2(t) \quad \text{Energy stored in an inductor (J)}$$

Note, once again, the duality with the expression for the energy stored in a capacitor, in equation 4.9.



### EXAMPLE 4.7 Energy Storage in an Ignition Coil

#### Problem

Determine the energy stored in an automotive ignition coil.

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Inductor current initial condition (current at  $t = 0$ ); inductance value.

**Find:** Energy stored in inductor.

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $L = 10 \text{ mH}; i_L = I_0 = 8 \text{ A}$ .

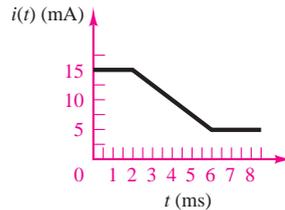
**Analysis:**

$$W_L = \frac{1}{2} Li_L^2 = \frac{1}{2} \times 10^{-2} \times 64 = 32 \times 10^{-2} = 320 \text{ mJ}$$

**Comments:** A more detailed analysis of an automotive ignition coil is presented in Chapter 5 to accompany the discussion of transient voltages and currents.

### CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Calculate and plot the inductor energy and power for a 50-mH inductor subject to the current waveform shown below. What is the energy stored at  $t = 3 \text{ ms}$ ? Assume  $i(-\infty) = 0$ .



**Answer:**

$$w(t) = \begin{cases} 5.625 \times 10^{-6} \text{ J} & 0 \leq t < 2 \text{ ms} \\ 0.156t^2 - (2.5 \times 10^{-3})t + 10^{-5} & 2 \leq t < 6 \text{ ms} \\ 0.625 \times 10^{-6} & t \geq 6 \text{ ms} \end{cases}$$

$$p(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & 0 \leq t < 2 \text{ ms} \\ (20 \times 10^{-3} - 2.5t)(-0.125 \text{ W}) & 2 \leq t < 6 \text{ ms} \\ \text{otherwise} & \end{cases}$$

$w(t = 3 \text{ ms}) = 3.9 \mu\text{J}$

## 4.2 TIME-DEPENDENT SIGNAL SOURCES

In Chapter 2, the general concept of an ideal energy source was introduced. In this chapter, it will be useful to specifically consider sources that generate time-varying voltages and currents and, in particular, sinusoidal sources. Figure 4.14 illustrates the convention that will be employed to denote time-dependent signal sources.

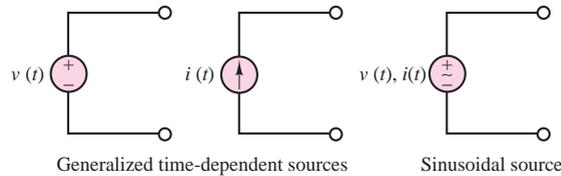


Figure 4.14 Time-dependent signal sources

One of the most important classes of time-dependent signals is that of **periodic signals**. These signals appear frequently in practical applications and are a useful approximation of many physical phenomena. A periodic signal  $x(t)$  is a signal that satisfies the equation

$$x(t) = x(t + nT) \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots \quad (4.19)$$

where  $T$  is the **period** of  $x(t)$ . Figure 4.15 illustrates a number of periodic waveforms that are typically encountered in the study of electric circuits. Waveforms such as the sine, triangle, square, pulse, and sawtooth waves are provided in the form of voltages (or, less frequently, currents) by commercially available **signal** (or **waveform**) **generators**. Such instruments allow for selection of the waveform peak amplitude, and of its period.

As stated in the introduction, sinusoidal waveforms constitute by far the most important class of time-dependent signals. Figure 4.16 depicts the relevant parameters of a sinusoidal waveform. A generalized sinusoid is defined as

$$x(t) = A \cos(\omega t + \phi) \quad (4.20)$$

where  $A$  is the **amplitude**,  $\omega$  the **radian frequency**, and  $\phi$  the **phase**. Figure 4.16 summarizes the definitions of  $A$ ,  $\omega$ , and  $\phi$  for the waveforms

$$x_1(t) = A \cos(\omega t) \quad \text{and} \quad x_2(t) = A \cos(\omega t + \phi)$$

where

$$f = \text{natural frequency} = \frac{1}{T} \quad \text{cycles/s, or Hz}$$

$$\omega = \text{radian frequency} = 2\pi f \quad \text{rad/s}$$

$$\phi = 2\pi \frac{\Delta t}{T} \quad \text{rad}$$

$$= 360 \frac{\Delta t}{T} \quad \text{deg}$$

The phase shift  $\phi$  permits the representation of an arbitrary sinusoidal signal. Thus, the choice of the reference cosine function to represent sinusoidal signals—arbitrary as it may appear at first—does not restrict the ability to represent all sinusoids. For example,

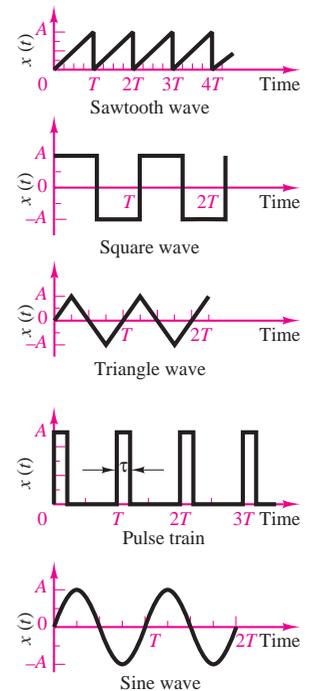


Figure 4.15 Periodic signal waveforms

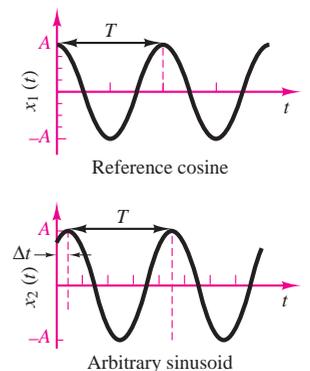


Figure 4.16 Sinusoidal waveforms



### Why Do We Use Units of Radians for the Phase Angle $\phi$ ?

The engineer finds it frequently more intuitive to refer to the phase angle in units of degrees; however, to use consistent units in the argument (the quantity in the parentheses) of the expression  $x(t) = A \sin(\omega t + \phi)$ , we must express  $\phi$  in units of radians, since the units of  $\omega t$  are  $[\omega] \cdot [t] = (\text{rad/s}) \cdot \text{s} = \text{rad}$ . Thus, we will consistently use units of radians for the phase angle  $\phi$  in all expressions of the form  $x(t) = A \sin(\omega t + \phi)$ . To be consistent is especially important when one is performing numerical calculations; if one used units of degrees for  $\phi$  in calculating the value of  $x(t) = A \sin(\omega t + \phi)$  at a given  $t$ , the answer would be incorrect.

one can represent a sine wave in terms of a cosine wave simply by introducing a phase shift of  $\pi/2$  rad:

$$A \sin(\omega t) = A \cos\left(\omega t - \frac{\pi}{2}\right) \quad (4.22)$$

Although one usually employs the variable  $\omega$  (in units of radians per second) to denote sinusoidal frequency, it is common to refer to natural frequency  $f$  in units of cycles per second, or **hertz (Hz)**. The reader with some training in music theory knows that a sinusoid represents what in music is called a *pure tone*; an A-440, for example, is a tone at a frequency of 440 Hz. It is important to be aware of the factor of  $2\pi$  that differentiates radian frequency (in units of radians per second) from natural frequency (in units of hertz). The distinction between the two units of frequency—which are otherwise completely equivalent—is whether one chooses to define frequency in terms of revolutions around a trigonometric circle (in which case the resulting units are radians per second) or to interpret frequency as a repetition rate (cycles per second), in which case the units are hertz. The relationship between the two is the following:

$$\omega = 2\pi f \quad \text{Radian frequency} \quad (4.23)$$

### Why Sinusoids?

By now you should have developed a healthy curiosity about why so much attention is being devoted to sinusoidal signals. Perhaps the simplest explanation is that the electric power used for industrial and household applications worldwide is generated and delivered in the form of either 50- or 60-Hz sinusoidal voltages and currents. Chapter 7 will provide more details regarding the analysis of electric power circuits. Note that the methods developed in this section and the subsequent sections apply to many engineering systems, not just to electric circuits, and will be encountered again in the study of dynamic-system modeling and of control systems.

### Average and RMS Values

Now that a number of different signal waveforms have been defined, it is appropriate to define suitable measurements for quantifying the strength of a time-varying electric signal. The most common types of measurements are the **average** (or **DC**) **value** of a signal waveform—which corresponds to just measuring the mean voltage or current over a period of time—and the **root-mean-square** (or **rms**) **value**, which takes into account the fluctuations of the signal about its average value. Formally, the operation of computing the average value of a signal corresponds to integrating the signal waveform over some (presumably, suitably chosen) period of time. We define the time-averaged value of a signal  $x(t)$  as

$$\langle x(t) \rangle = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T x(t') dt' \quad \text{Average value} \quad (4.24)$$



where  $T$  is the period of integration. Figure 4.17 illustrates how this process does, in fact, correspond to computing the average amplitude of  $x(t)$  over a period of  $T$  seconds.



**Figure 4.17** Averaging a signal waveform

**EXAMPLE 4.8 Average Value of Sinusoidal Waveform**



**Problem**

Compute the average value of the signal  $x(t) = 10 \cos(100t)$ .

**Solution**

**Known Quantities:** Functional form of the periodic signal  $x(t)$ .

**Find:** Average value of  $x(t)$ .

**Analysis:** The signal is periodic with period  $T = 2\pi/\omega = 2\pi/100$ ; thus we need to integrate over only one period to compute the average value:

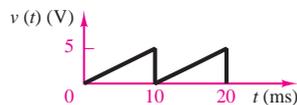
$$\begin{aligned} \langle x(t) \rangle &= \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T x(t') dt' = \frac{100}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi/100} 10 \cos(100t) dt \\ &= \frac{10}{2\pi} (\sin(2\pi) - \sin(0)) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

**Comments:** The average value of a sinusoidal signal is zero, independent of its amplitude and frequency.

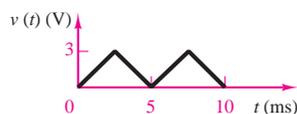
**CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING**

Express the voltage  $v(t) = 155.6 \sin(377t + \pi/6)$  in cosine form. You should note that the radian frequency  $\omega = 377$  will recur very often, since  $377 = 2\pi(60)$ ; that is, 377 is the radian equivalent of the natural frequency of 60 cycles/s, which is the frequency of the electric power generated in North America.

Compute the average value of the sawtooth waveform shown in the figure below.



Compute the average value of the shifted triangle wave shown below.



Answers:  $v(t) = 155.6 \cos(377t - \pi/3)$ ;  $\langle v(t) \rangle = 2.5$  V;  $\langle v(t) \rangle = 1.5$  V

The result of Example 4.8 can be generalized to state that

$$\langle A \cos(\omega t + \phi) \rangle = 0 \quad (4.25)$$

a result that might be perplexing at first: If any sinusoidal voltage or current has zero average value, is its average power equal to zero? Clearly, the answer must be no. Otherwise, it would be impossible to illuminate households and streets and power industrial machinery with 60-Hz sinusoidal current! There must be another way, then, of quantifying the strength of an AC signal.

Very conveniently, a useful measure of the voltage of an AC waveform is the rms value of the signal  $x(t)$ , defined as follows:

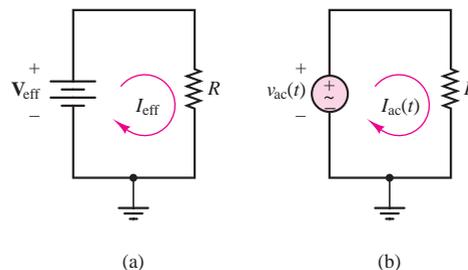


$$x_{\text{rms}} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{T} \int_0^T x^2(t') dt'} \quad \text{Root-mean-square value} \quad (4.26)$$

Note immediately that if  $x(t)$  is a voltage, the resulting  $x_{\text{rms}}$  will also have units of volts. If you analyze equation 4.26, you can see that, in effect, the rms value consists of the square root of the average (or mean) of the square of the signal. Thus, the notation *rms* indicates exactly the operations performed on  $x(t)$  in order to obtain its rms value.

The definition of rms value does not help explain why one might be interested in using this quantity. The usefulness of rms values for AC signals in general, and for AC voltages and current in particular, can be explained easily with reference to Figure 4.18. In this figure, the same resistor is connected to two different voltage sources: a DC source and an AC source. We now ask, What is the *effective value* of the current from the DC source such that the *average power* dissipated by the resistor in the DC circuit is exactly the same as the *average power* dissipated by the same resistor in the AC circuit? The direct current  $I_{\text{eff}}$  is called the **effective value** of the alternating current, which is denoted by  $i_{\text{ac}}(t)$ . To answer this question, we assume that  $v_{\text{ac}}(t)$  and therefore  $i_{\text{ac}}(t)$  are periodic signals with period  $T$ . We then use the definition of average value of a signal given in equation 4.24 to compute the total energy dissipated by  $R$  during one period in the circuit of Figure 4.18(b):

$$W = TP_{\text{AV}} = T \langle p(t) \rangle = \int_0^T p(t') dt' = \int_0^T R i_{\text{ac}}^2(t') dt' = I_{\text{eff}}^2 R \quad (4.27)$$



**Figure 4.18** AC and DC circuits used to illustrate the concept of effective and rms values

Thus,

$$I_{\text{eff}} = \sqrt{\int_0^T i_{\text{ac}}^2(t') dt'} = I_{\text{rms}} \quad (4.28)$$

That is,

The rms, or effective, value of the current  $i_{\text{ac}}(t)$  is the DC that causes the same average power (or energy) to be dissipated by the resistor.



From here on we shall use the notation  $V_{\text{rms}}$ , or  $\tilde{V}$ , and  $I_{\text{rms}}$ , or  $\tilde{I}$ , to refer to the effective (or rms) value of a voltage or current.

### EXAMPLE 4.9 RMS Value of Sinusoidal Waveform



#### Problem

Compute the rms value of the sinusoidal current  $i(t) = I \cos(\omega t)$ .

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Functional form of the periodic signal  $i(t)$ .

**Find:** RMS value of  $i(t)$ .

**Analysis:** Applying the definition of rms value in equation 4.26, we compute

$$\begin{aligned} i_{\text{rms}} &= \sqrt{\frac{1}{T} \int_0^T i^2(t') dt'} = \sqrt{\frac{\omega}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi/\omega} I^2 \cos^2(\omega t') dt'} \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{\omega}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi/\omega} I^2 \left[ \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \cos(2\omega t') \right] dt'} \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{1}{2} I^2 + \frac{\omega}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi/\omega} \frac{I^2}{2} \cos(2\omega t') dt'} \end{aligned}$$

At this point, we recognize that the integral under the square root sign is equal to zero (see Example 4.8), because we are integrating a sinusoidal waveform over two periods. Hence,

$$i_{\text{rms}} = \frac{I}{\sqrt{2}} = 0.707I$$

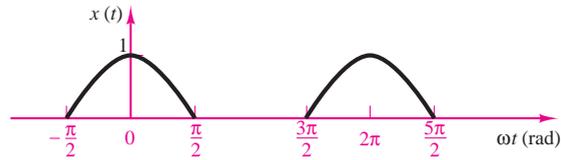
where  $I$  is the *peak value* of the waveform  $i(t)$ .

**Comments:** The rms value of a sinusoidal signal is equal to 0.707 times the peak value, independent of its amplitude and frequency.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Find the rms value of the sawtooth wave of the exercise accompanying Example 4.8.

Find the rms value of the half cosine wave shown in the next figure.



$$x(t) = \cos t \quad \text{for } -\frac{\pi}{2} \leq \omega t < \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$= 0 \quad \text{for } \frac{\pi}{2} \leq \omega t < \frac{3\pi}{2} \quad \omega = 1$$

Answers: 2.89 V; 0.5 V

Example 4.9 illustrates how the rms value of a sinusoid is proportional to its peak amplitude. The factor of  $0.707 = 1/\sqrt{2}$  is a useful number to remember, since it applies to any sinusoidal signal. It is not, however, generally applicable to signal waveforms other than sinusoids, as the Check Your Understanding exercises have illustrated.

## 4.3 SOLUTION OF CIRCUITS CONTAINING ENERGY STORAGE ELEMENTS (DYNAMIC CIRCUITS)

Sections 4.1 and 4.2 introduced energy storage elements and time-dependent signal sources. The logical next task is to analyze the behavior of circuits containing such elements. The major difference between the analysis of the resistive circuits studied in Chapters 2 and 3 and the circuits we explore in the remainder of this chapter is that now the equations that result from applying Kirchhoff's laws are differential equations, as opposed to the algebraic equations obtained in solving resistive circuits. Consider, for example, the circuit of Figure 4.19, which consists of the series connection of a voltage source, a resistor, and a capacitor. Applying KCL at the node connecting the resistor to the capacitor and using the definition of capacitor current in equation 4.4, we obtain the following equations:

$$i_R(t) = \frac{v_S(t) - v_C(t)}{R} = i_C(t) = C \frac{dv_C(t)}{dt} \quad (4.29)$$

or

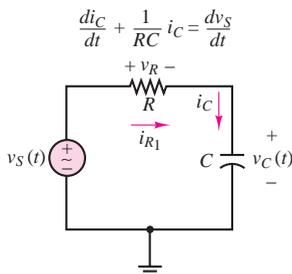
$$\frac{dv_C(t)}{dt} + \frac{1}{RC} v_C(t) = \frac{1}{RC} v_S(t) \quad (4.30)$$

Equation 4.30 is a first-order, linear, ordinary differential equation in the variable  $v_C$ . Alternatively, we could derive an equivalent relationship by applying KVL around the circuit of Figure 4.19:

$$-v_S(t) + v_R(t) + v_C(t) = 0 \quad (4.31)$$



A circuit containing energy-storage elements is described by a differential equation. The differential equation describing the series RC circuit shown is



**Figure 4.19** Circuit containing energy storage element

Observing that  $i_R(t) = i_C(t)$  and using the capacitor equation 4.5, we can write

$$-v_S(t) + Ri_C(t) + \frac{1}{C} \int_{-\infty}^t i_C(t') dt' = 0 \quad (4.32)$$

Equation 4.32 is an integral equation, which may be converted to the more familiar form of a differential equation by differentiating both sides; recalling that

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left[ \int_{-\infty}^t i_C(t') dt' \right] = i_C(t) \quad (4.33)$$

we obtain the first-order, linear, ordinary differential equation

$$\frac{di_C(t)}{dt} + \frac{1}{RC} i_C(t) = \frac{1}{R} \frac{dv_S(t)}{dt} \quad (4.34)$$

Equations 4.30 and 4.34 are very similar; the principal differences are the variable in the differential equation [ $v_C(t)$  versus  $i_C(t)$ ] and the right-hand side. Solving either equation for the unknown variable permits the computation of all voltages and currents in the circuit.

**Note to the Instructor:** If so desired, the remainder of this chapter can be skipped, and the course can continue with Chapter 5 without any loss of continuity.

## Forced Response of Circuits Excited by Sinusoidal Sources

Consider again the circuit of Figure 4.19, where now the external source produces a sinusoidal voltage, described by the expression

$$v_S(t) = V \cos \omega t \quad (4.35)$$

Substituting the expression  $V \cos(\omega t)$  in place of the source voltage  $v_S(t)$  in the differential equation obtained earlier (equation 4.30), we obtain the following differential equation:

$$\frac{d}{dt} v_C + \frac{1}{RC} v_C = \frac{1}{RC} V \cos \omega t \quad (4.36)$$

Since the forcing function is a sinusoid, the solution may also be assumed to be of the same form. An expression for  $v_C(t)$  is then

$$v_C(t) = A \sin \omega t + B \cos \omega t \quad (4.37)$$

which is equivalent to

$$v_C(t) = C \cos(\omega t + \phi) \quad (4.38)$$

Substituting equation 4.37 in the differential equation for  $v_C(t)$  and solving for the coefficients  $A$  and  $B$  yield the expression

$$\begin{aligned} A\omega \cos \omega t - B\omega \sin \omega t + \frac{1}{RC}(A \sin \omega t + B \cos \omega t) \\ = \frac{1}{RC} V \cos \omega t \end{aligned} \quad (4.39)$$

and if the coefficients of like terms are grouped, the following equation is obtained:

$$\left(\frac{A}{RC} - B\omega\right) \sin \omega t + \left(A\omega + \frac{B}{RC} - \frac{V}{RC}\right) \cos \omega t = 0 \quad (4.40)$$

The coefficients of  $\sin \omega t$  and  $\cos \omega t$  must both be identically zero in order for equation 4.40 to hold. Thus,

$$\frac{A}{RC} - B\omega = 0 \quad (4.41)$$

and

$$A\omega + \frac{B}{RC} - \frac{V}{RC} = 0$$

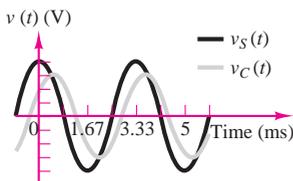
The unknown coefficients  $A$  and  $B$  may now be determined by solving equation 4.41:

$$A = \frac{V\omega RC}{1 + \omega^2(RC)^2} \quad (4.42)$$

$$B = \frac{V}{1 + \omega^2(RC)^2}$$

Thus, the solution for  $v_C(t)$  may be written as follows:

$$v_C(t) = \frac{V\omega RC}{1 + \omega^2(RC)^2} \sin \omega t + \frac{V}{1 + \omega^2(RC)^2} \cos \omega t \quad (4.43)$$



**Figure 4.20** Waveforms for the AC circuit of Figure 4.19

This response is plotted in Figure 4.20.

The solution method outlined in the previous paragraphs can become quite complicated for circuits containing a large number of elements; in particular, one may need to solve higher-order differential equations if more than one energy storage element is present in the circuit. A simpler and preferred method for the solution of AC circuits is presented in Section 4.4. This brief section has provided a simple, but complete illustration of the key elements of AC circuit analysis. These can be summarized in the following statement:



In a sinusoidally excited linear circuit, all branch voltages and currents are *sinusoids* at the *same frequency* as the excitation signal. The amplitudes of these voltages and currents are a *scaled* version of the excitation *amplitude*, and the voltages and currents may be *shifted in phase* with respect to the excitation signal.

These observations indicate that three parameters uniquely define a sinusoid: *frequency*, *amplitude*, and *phase*. But if this is the case, is it necessary to carry the “excess luggage,” that is, the sinusoidal functions? Might it be possible to simply keep track of the three parameters just mentioned? Fortunately, the answers to these two questions are no and yes, respectively. Section 4.4 describes the use of a notation that, with the aid of complex algebra, eliminates the need for the sinusoidal functions of time, and for the formulation and solution of differential equations, permitting the use of simpler algebraic methods.

## 4.4 PHASOR SOLUTION OF CIRCUITS WITH SINUSOIDAL EXCITATION

In this section, we introduce an efficient notation to make it possible to represent sinusoidal signals as *complex numbers*, and to eliminate the need for solving differential equations. The student who needs a brief review of complex algebra will find a reasonably complete treatment in Appendix A (available online), including solved examples and Check Your Understanding exercises. For the remainder of the chapter, it will be assumed that you are familiar with both the rectangular and the polar forms of complex number coordinates; with the conversion between these two forms; and with the basic operations of addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division of complex numbers.

### Euler's Identity

Named after the Swiss mathematician Leonhard Euler (the last name is pronounced “Oiler”), Euler’s identity forms the basis of phasor notation. Simply stated, the identity defines the **complex exponential**  $e^{j\theta}$  as a point in the complex plane, which may be represented by real and imaginary components:

$$e^{j\theta} = \cos \theta + j \sin \theta \quad (4.44)$$

Figure 4.21 illustrates how the complex exponential may be visualized as a point (or vector, if referenced to the origin) in the complex plane. Note immediately that the magnitude of  $e^{j\theta}$  is equal to 1:

$$|e^{j\theta}| = 1 \quad (4.45)$$

since

$$|\cos \theta + j \sin \theta| = \sqrt{\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta} = 1 \quad (4.46)$$

and note also that writing Euler’s identity corresponds to equating the polar form of a complex number to its rectangular form. For example, consider a vector of length  $A$  making an angle  $\theta$  with the real axis. The following equation illustrates the relationship between the rectangular and polar forms:

$$Ae^{j\theta} = A \cos \theta + jA \sin \theta = A \angle \theta \quad (4.47)$$

In effect, Euler’s identity is simply a trigonometric relationship in the complex plane.

### Phasors

To see how complex numbers can be used to represent sinusoidal signals, rewrite the expression for a generalized sinusoid in light of Euler’s equation:

$$A \cos(\omega t + \theta) = \text{Re} (Ae^{j(\omega t + \theta)}) \quad (4.48)$$

This equality is easily verified by expanding the right-hand side, as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Re} (Ae^{j(\omega t + \theta)}) &= \text{Re} [A \cos(\omega t + \theta) + jA \sin(\omega t + \theta)] \\ &= A \cos(\omega t + \theta) \end{aligned}$$

We see, then, that *it is possible to express a generalized sinusoid as the real part of a complex vector* whose **argument**, or **angle**, is given by  $\omega t + \theta$  and whose length, or **magnitude**, is equal to the peak amplitude of the sinusoid. The **complex phasor**



Leonhard Euler (1707–1783).  
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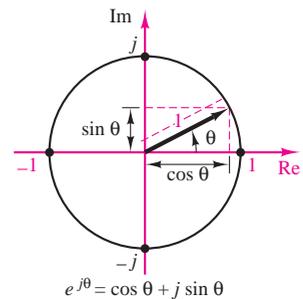


Figure 4.21 Euler’s identity

corresponding to the sinusoidal signal  $A \cos(\omega t + \theta)$  is therefore defined to be the complex number  $Ae^{j\theta}$ :

$$Ae^{j\theta} = \text{complex phasor notation for } A \cos(\omega t + \theta) = A \angle \theta \quad (4.49)$$

It is important to explicitly point out that this is a *definition*. Phasor notation arises from equation 4.48; however, this expression is simplified (for convenience, as will be promptly shown) by removing the “real part of” operator (Re) and factoring out and deleting the term  $e^{j\omega t}$ . Equation 4.50 illustrates the simplification:

$$A \cos(\omega t + \theta) = \text{Re}(Ae^{j(\omega t + \theta)}) = \text{Re}(Ae^{j\theta} e^{j\omega t}) \quad (4.50)$$

The reason for this simplification is simply mathematical convenience, as will become apparent in the following examples; you will have to remember that the  $e^{j\omega t}$  term that was removed from the complex form of the sinusoid is really still present, indicating the specific frequency of the sinusoidal signal  $\omega$ . With these caveats, you should now be prepared to use the newly found phasor to analyze AC circuits. The following comments summarize the important points developed thus far in the section. Please note that the concept of phasor has no real physical significance. It is a convenient mathematical tool that simplifies the solution of AC circuits.



#### FOCUS ON METHODOLOGY

1. Any sinusoidal signal may be mathematically represented in one of two ways: a **time-domain form**

$$v(t) = A \cos(\omega t + \theta)$$

and a **frequency-domain (or phasor) form**

$$\mathbf{V}(j\omega) = Ae^{j\theta} = A \angle \theta$$

Note the  $j\omega$  in the notation  $\mathbf{V}(j\omega)$ , indicating the  $e^{j\omega t}$  dependence of the phasor. In the remainder of this chapter, bold uppercase quantities indicate phasor voltages or currents.

2. A phasor is a complex number, expressed in polar form, consisting of a *magnitude* equal to the peak amplitude of the sinusoidal signal and a *phase angle* equal to the phase shift of the sinusoidal signal *referenced to a cosine signal*.
3. When one is using phasor notation, it is important to note the specific frequency  $\omega$  of the sinusoidal signal, since this is not explicitly apparent in the phasor expression.



#### EXAMPLE 4.10 Addition of Two Sinusoidal Sources in Phasor Notation

##### Problem

Compute the phasor voltage resulting from the series connection of two sinusoidal voltage sources (Figure 4.22).

**Solution****Known Quantities:**

$$v_1(t) = 15 \cos\left(377t + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) \quad \text{V}$$

$$v_2(t) = 15 \cos\left(377t + \frac{\pi}{12}\right) \quad \text{V}$$

**Find:** Equivalent phasor voltage  $v_S(t)$ .

**Analysis:** Write the two voltages in phasor form:

$$\mathbf{V}_1(j\omega) = 15\angle\frac{\pi}{4} \quad \text{V}$$

$$\mathbf{V}_2(j\omega) = 15e^{j\pi/12} = 15\angle\frac{\pi}{12} \quad \text{V}$$

Convert the phasor voltages from polar to rectangular form:

$$\mathbf{V}_1(j\omega) = 10.61 + j10.61 \quad \text{V}$$

$$\mathbf{V}_2(j\omega) = 14.49 + j3.88 \quad \text{V}$$

Then

$$\mathbf{V}_S(j\omega) = \mathbf{V}_1(j\omega) + \mathbf{V}_2(j\omega) = 25.10 + j14.49 = 28.98e^{j\pi/6} = 28.98\angle\frac{\pi}{6} \quad \text{V}$$

Now we can convert  $\mathbf{V}_S(j\omega)$  to its time-domain form:

$$v_S(t) = 28.98 \cos\left(377t + \frac{\pi}{6}\right) \quad \text{V}$$

**Comments:** Note that we could have obtained the same result by adding the two sinusoids in the time domain, using trigonometric identities:

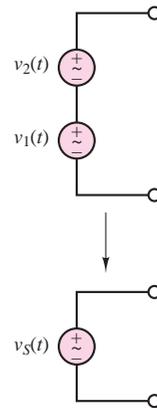
$$v_1(t) = 15 \cos\left(377t + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) = 15 \cos\frac{\pi}{4} \cos(377t) - 15 \sin\frac{\pi}{4} \sin(377t) \quad \text{V}$$

$$v_2(t) = 15 \cos\left(377t + \frac{\pi}{12}\right) = 15 \cos\frac{\pi}{12} \cos(377t) - 15 \sin\frac{\pi}{12} \sin(377t) \quad \text{V}$$

Combining like terms, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} v_1(t) + v_2(t) &= 15 \left( \cos\frac{\pi}{4} + \cos\frac{\pi}{12} \right) \cos(377t) - 15 \left( \sin\frac{\pi}{4} + \sin\frac{\pi}{12} \right) \sin(377t) \\ &= 15[1.673 \cos(377t) - 0.966 \sin(377t)] \\ &= 15\sqrt{(1.673)^2 + (0.966)^2} \times \cos\left[377t + \arctan\left(\frac{0.966}{1.673}\right)\right] \\ &= 15 \left[ 1.932 \cos\left(377t + \frac{\pi}{6}\right) \right] = 28.98 \cos\left(377t + \frac{\pi}{6}\right) \quad \text{V} \end{aligned}$$

The above expression is, of course, identical to the one obtained by using phasor notation, but it required a greater amount of computation. In general, phasor analysis greatly simplifies calculations related to sinusoidal voltages and currents.



**Figure 4.22**

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Add the sinusoidal voltages  $v_1(t) = A \cos(\omega t + \phi)$  and  $v_2(t) = B \cos(\omega t + \theta)$  using phasor notation, and then convert back to time-domain form.

- $A = 1.5 \text{ V}$ ,  $\phi = 10^\circ$ ;  $B = 3.2 \text{ V}$ ,  $\theta = 25^\circ$ .
- $A = 50 \text{ V}$ ,  $\phi = -60^\circ$ ;  $B = 24 \text{ V}$ ,  $\theta = 15^\circ$ .

Answers: (a)  $v_1 + v_2 = 4.67 \cos(\omega t + 0.3526 \text{ rad})$ ; (b)  $v_1 + v_2 = 60.8 \cos(\omega t - 0.6562 \text{ rad})$

It should be apparent by now that phasor notation can be a very efficient technique to solve AC circuit problems. The following sections continue to develop this new method to build your confidence in using it.

## Superposition of AC Signals

Example 4.10 explored the combined effect of two sinusoidal sources of different phase and amplitude, but of the same frequency. It is important to realize that the simple answer obtained there does not apply to the superposition of two (or more) sinusoidal sources that *are not at the same frequency*. In this subsection, the case of two sinusoidal sources oscillating at different frequencies is used to illustrate how phasor analysis can deal with this, more general case.

The circuit shown in Figure 4.23 depicts a source excited by two current sources connected in parallel, where

$$\begin{aligned} i_1(t) &= A_1 \cos(\omega_1 t) \\ i_2(t) &= A_2 \cos(\omega_2 t) \end{aligned} \quad (4.51)$$

The load current is equal to the sum of the two source currents; that is,

$$i_L(t) = i_1(t) + i_2(t) \quad (4.52)$$

or, in phasor form,

$$\mathbf{I}_L = \mathbf{I}_1 + \mathbf{I}_2 \quad (4.53)$$

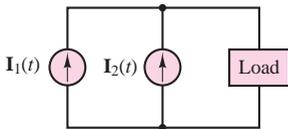
At this point, you might be tempted to write  $\mathbf{I}_1$  and  $\mathbf{I}_2$  in a more explicit phasor form as

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{I}_1 &= A_1 e^{j0} \\ \mathbf{I}_2 &= A_2 e^{j0} \end{aligned} \quad (4.54)$$

and to add the two phasors, using the familiar techniques of complex algebra. However, this approach *would be incorrect*. Whenever a sinusoidal signal is expressed in phasor notation, the term  $e^{j\omega t}$  is implicitly present, where  $\omega$  is the actual radian frequency of the signal. In our example, the two frequencies are not the same, as can be verified by writing the phasor currents in the form of equation 4.50:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{I}_1 &= \text{Re}(A_1 e^{j0} e^{j\omega_1 t}) \\ \mathbf{I}_2 &= \text{Re}(A_2 e^{j0} e^{j\omega_2 t}) \end{aligned} \quad (4.55)$$

Since phasor notation does not *explicitly* include the  $e^{j\omega t}$  factor, this can lead to serious errors if you are not careful! The two phasors of equation 4.54 cannot be added, but must be kept separate; thus, the only unambiguous expression for the load



**Figure 4.23** Superposition of AC

current in this case is equation 4.52. To complete the analysis of any circuit with multiple sinusoidal sources at different frequencies using phasors, it is necessary to solve the circuit separately for each signal and then add the individual answers obtained for the different excitation sources. Example 4.11 illustrates the response of a circuit with two separate AC excitations using AC superposition.

### EXAMPLE 4.11 AC Superposition

#### Problem

This example underscores the importance of the principles of superposition. In the case of sinusoidal sources at different frequencies, solution by superposition is the *only* viable method. Compute the voltages  $v_{R1}(t)$  and  $v_{R2}(t)$  in the circuit of Figure 4.24.

#### Solution

##### Known Quantities:

$$i_S(t) = 0.5 \cos[2\pi(100t)] \quad \text{A}$$

$$v_S(t) = 20 \cos[2\pi(1,000t)] \quad \text{V}$$

**Find:**  $v_{R1}(t)$  and  $v_{R2}(t)$ .

**Analysis:** Since the two sources are at different frequencies, we must compute a separate solution for each. Consider the current source first, with the voltage source set to zero (short circuit) as shown in Figure 4.25. The circuit thus obtained is a simple current divider. Write the source current in phasor notation:

$$\mathbf{I}_S(j\omega) = 0.5e^{j0} = 0.5\angle 0 \quad \text{A} \quad \omega = 2\pi(100) \text{ rad/s}$$

Then

$$\mathbf{V}_{R1}(\mathbf{I}_S) = \mathbf{I}_S \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} R_1 = 0.5 \angle 0 \left( \frac{50}{150 + 50} \right) 150 = 18.75 \angle 0 \quad \text{V}$$

$$\omega = 2\pi(100) \text{ rad/s}$$

$$\mathbf{V}_{R2}(\mathbf{I}_S) = \mathbf{I}_S \frac{R_1}{R_1 + R_2} R_2 = 0.5 \angle 0 \left( \frac{150}{150 + 50} \right) 50 = 18.75 \angle 0 \quad \text{V}$$

$$\omega = 2\pi(100) \text{ rad/s}$$

Next, we consider the voltage source, with the current source set to zero (open circuit), as shown in Figure 4.26. We first write the source voltage in phasor notation:

$$\mathbf{V}_S(j\omega) = 20e^{j0} = 20\angle 0 \quad \text{V} \quad \omega = 2\pi(1,000) \text{ rad/s}$$

Then we apply the voltage divider law, to obtain

$$\mathbf{V}_{R1}(\mathbf{V}_S) = \mathbf{V}_S \frac{R_1}{R_1 + R_2} = 20\angle 0 \left( \frac{150}{150 + 50} \right) = 15\angle 0 \quad \text{V}$$

$$\omega = 2\pi(1,000) \text{ rad/s}$$

$$\mathbf{V}_{R2}(\mathbf{V}_S) = -\mathbf{V}_S \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} = -20\angle 0 \left( \frac{50}{150 + 50} \right) = -5\angle 0 = 5\angle \pi \quad \text{V}$$

$$\omega = 2\pi(1,000) \text{ rad/s}$$

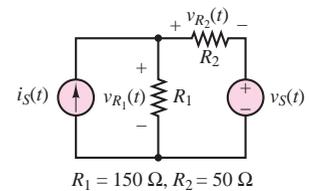


Figure 4.24

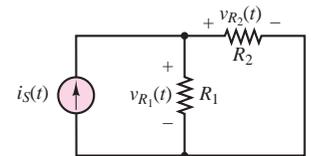


Figure 4.25

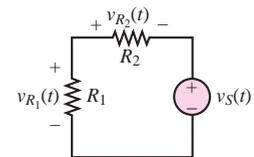


Figure 4.26

Now we can determine the voltage across each resistor by adding the contributions from each source and converting the phasor form to time-domain representation:

$$\mathbf{V}_{R1} = \mathbf{V}_{R1}(\mathbf{I}_S) + \mathbf{V}_{R1}(\mathbf{V}_S)$$

$$v_{R1}(t) = 18.75 \cos[2\pi(100t)] + 15 \cos[2\pi(1,000t)] \quad \text{V}$$

and

$$\mathbf{V}_{R2} = \mathbf{V}_{R2}(\mathbf{I}_S) + \mathbf{V}_{R2}(\mathbf{V}_S)$$

$$v_{R2}(t) = 18.75 \cos[2\pi(100t)] + 5 \cos[2\pi(1,000t) + \pi] \quad \text{V}$$

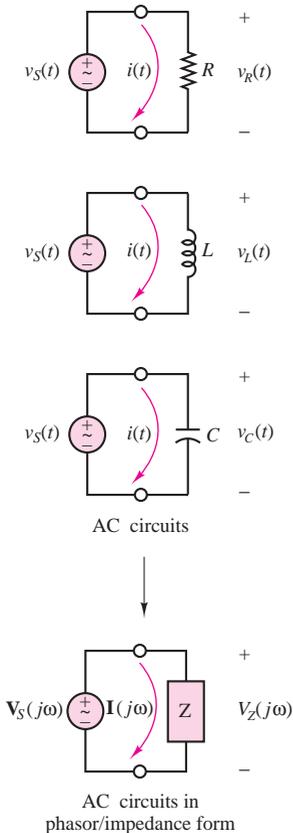
**Comments:** Note that it is impossible to simplify the final expression any further because the two components of each voltage are at different frequencies.

### CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Add the sinusoidal currents  $i_1(t) = A \cos(\omega t + \phi)$  and  $i_2(t) = B \cos(\omega t + \theta)$  for

- a.  $A = 0.09 \text{ A}$ ,  $\phi = 72^\circ$ ;  $B = 0.12 \text{ A}$ ,  $\theta = 20^\circ$ .
- b.  $A = 0.82 \text{ A}$ ,  $\phi = -30^\circ$ ;  $B = 0.5 \text{ A}$ ,  $\theta = -36^\circ$ .

Answers: (a)  $i_1 + i_2 = 0.19 \cos(\omega t + 0.733)$ ; (b)  $i_1 + i_2 = 1.32 \cos(\omega t - 0.5637)$



**Figure 4.27** The impedance element

### Impedance

We now analyze the  $i$ - $v$  relationship of the three ideal circuit elements in light of the new phasor notation. The result will be a new formulation in which resistors, capacitors, and inductors will be described in the same notation. A direct consequence of this result will be that the circuit theorems of Chapter 3 will be extended to AC circuits. In the context of AC circuits, any one of the three ideal circuit elements defined so far will be described by a parameter called **impedance**, which may be viewed as a *complex resistance*. The impedance concept is equivalent to stating that capacitors and inductors act as *frequency-dependent resistors*, that is, as resistors whose resistance is a function of the frequency of the sinusoidal excitation. Figure 4.27 depicts the same circuit represented in conventional form (top) and in phasor-impedance form (bottom); the latter representation explicitly shows phasor voltages and currents and treats the circuit element as a generalized “impedance.” It will presently be shown that each of the three ideal circuit elements may be represented by one such impedance element.

Let the source voltage in the circuit of Figure 4.27 be defined by

$$v_S(t) = A \cos \omega t \quad \text{or} \quad \mathbf{V}_S(j\omega) = A e^{j0^\circ} = A \angle 0 \quad (4.56)$$

without loss of generality. Then the current  $i(t)$  is defined by the  $i$ - $v$  relationship for each circuit element. Let us examine the frequency-dependent properties of the resistor, inductor, and capacitor, one at a time.

## The Resistor

Ohm's law dictates the well-known relationship  $v = iR$ . In the case of sinusoidal sources, then, the current flowing through the resistor of Figure 4.27 may be expressed as

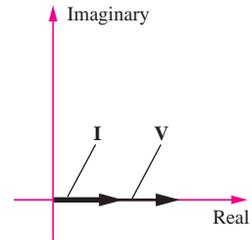
$$i(t) = \frac{v_S(t)}{R} = \frac{A}{R} \cos \omega t \quad (4.57)$$

Converting the voltage  $v_S(t)$  and the current  $i(t)$  to phasor notation, we obtain the following expressions:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{V}_Z(j\omega) &= A\angle 0 \\ \mathbf{I}(j\omega) &= \frac{A}{R}\angle 0 \end{aligned} \quad (4.58)$$

The relationship between  $\mathbf{V}_Z$  and  $\mathbf{I}$  in the complex plane is shown in Figure 4.28. Finally, the *impedance* of the resistor is defined as the ratio of the phasor voltage across the resistor to the phasor current flowing through it, and the symbol  $Z_R$  is used to denote it:

$$Z_R(j\omega) = \frac{\mathbf{V}_Z(j\omega)}{\mathbf{I}(j\omega)} = R \quad \text{Impedance of a resistor} \quad (4.59)$$



**Figure 4.28** Phasor voltage and current relationships for a resistor



Equation 4.59 corresponds to Ohm's law in phasor form, and the result should be intuitively appealing: Ohm's law applies to a resistor independent of the particular form of the voltages and currents (whether AC or DC, for instance). The ratio of phasor voltage to phasor current has a very simple form in the case of the resistor. In general, however, the impedance of an element is a complex function of frequency, as it must be, since it is the ratio of two phasor quantities, which are frequency-dependent. This property will become apparent when the impedances of the inductor and capacitor are defined.

## The Inductor

Recall the defining relationships for the ideal inductor (equations 4.10 and 4.13), repeated here for convenience:

$$\begin{aligned} v_L(t) &= L \frac{di_L(t)}{dt} \\ i_L(t) &= \frac{1}{L} \int v_L(t') dt' \end{aligned} \quad (4.60)$$

Let  $v_L(t) = v_S(t)$  and  $i_L(t) = i(t)$  in the circuit of Figure 4.27. Then the following expression may be derived for the inductor current:

$$\begin{aligned} i_L(t) &= i(t) = \frac{1}{L} \int v_S(t') dt' \\ i_L(t) &= \frac{1}{L} \int A \cos \omega t' dt' \\ &= \frac{A}{\omega L} \sin \omega t \end{aligned} \quad (4.61)$$

Note how a dependence on the radian frequency of the source is clearly present in the expression for the inductor current. Further, the inductor current is shifted in phase (by  $90^\circ$ ) with respect to the voltage. This fact can be seen by writing the inductor voltage and current in time-domain form:

$$\begin{aligned} v_S(t) &= v_L(t) = A \cos \omega t \\ i(t) = i_L(t) &= \frac{A}{\omega L} \cos \left( \omega t - \frac{\pi}{2} \right) \end{aligned} \quad (4.62)$$

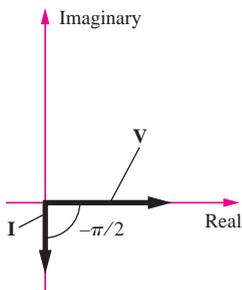
It is evident that the current is not just a scaled version of the source voltage, as it was for the resistor. Its magnitude depends on the frequency  $\omega$ , and it is shifted (delayed) in phase by  $\pi/2$  rad, or  $90^\circ$ . Using phasor notation, equation 4.62 becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{V}_Z(j\omega) &= A \angle 0 \\ \mathbf{I}(j\omega) &= \frac{A}{\omega L} \angle -\frac{\pi}{2} \end{aligned} \quad (4.63)$$

The relationship between the phasor voltage and current is shown in Figure 4.29. Thus, the impedance of the inductor is defined as follows:



$$\mathbf{Z}_L(j\omega) = \frac{\mathbf{V}_Z(j\omega)}{\mathbf{I}(j\omega)} = \omega L \angle \frac{\pi}{2} = j\omega L \quad \text{Impedance of an inductor} \quad (4.64)$$



**Figure 4.29** Phasor voltage and current relationships for an inductor

Note that the inductor now appears to behave as a *complex frequency-dependent resistor*, and that the magnitude of this complex resistor  $\omega L$  is proportional to the signal frequency  $\omega$ . Thus, an inductor will “impede” current flow in proportion to the sinusoidal frequency of the source signal. This means that at low signal frequencies, an inductor acts somewhat as a short circuit, while at high frequencies it tends to behave more as an open circuit.

## The Capacitor

An analogous procedure may be followed to derive the equivalent result for a capacitor. Beginning with the defining relationships for the ideal capacitor

$$i_C(t) = C \frac{dv_C(t)}{dt} \quad (4.65)$$

$$v_C(t) = \frac{1}{C} \int i_C(t') dt'$$

with  $i_C = i$  and  $v_C = v_S$  in Figure 4.27, we can express the capacitor current as

$$\begin{aligned} i_C(t) &= C \frac{dv_C(t)}{dt} \\ &= C \frac{d}{dt} (A \cos \omega t) \\ &= -C(A\omega \sin \omega t) \\ &= \omega CA \cos \left( \omega t + \frac{\pi}{2} \right) \end{aligned} \quad (4.66)$$

so that, in phasor form,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{V}_Z(j\omega) &= A \angle 0 \\ \mathbf{I}(j\omega) &= \omega CA \angle \frac{\pi}{2} \end{aligned} \quad (4.67)$$

The relationship between the phasor voltage and current is shown in Figure 4.30. The impedance of the ideal capacitor  $Z_C(j\omega)$  is therefore defined as follows:

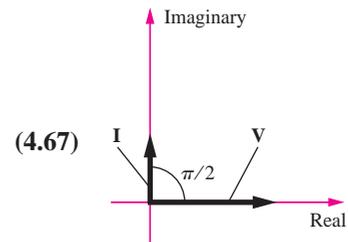
$$\begin{aligned} Z_C(j\omega) &= \frac{\mathbf{V}_Z(j\omega)}{\mathbf{I}(j\omega)} = \frac{1}{\omega C} \angle \frac{-\pi}{2} \\ &= \frac{-j}{\omega C} = \frac{1}{j\omega C} \end{aligned} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Impedance of} \\ \text{a capacitor} \end{array} \quad (4.68)$$

where we have used the fact that  $1/j = e^{-j\pi/2} = -j$ . Thus, the impedance of a capacitor is also a frequency-dependent complex quantity, with the impedance of the capacitor varying as an inverse function of frequency; and so a capacitor acts as a short circuit at high frequencies, whereas it behaves more as an open circuit at low frequencies. Figure 4.31 depicts  $Z_C(j\omega)$  in the complex plane, alongside  $Z_R(j\omega)$  and  $Z_L(j\omega)$ .

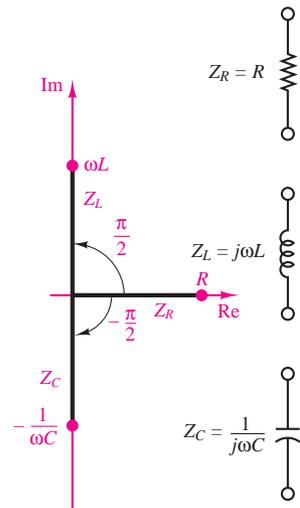
The impedance parameter defined in this section is extremely useful in solving AC circuit analysis problems, because it will make it possible to take advantage of most of the network theorems developed for DC circuits by replacing resistances with complex-valued impedances. Examples 4.12 to 4.14 illustrate how branches containing series and parallel elements may be reduced to a single equivalent impedance, much in the same way as resistive circuits were reduced to equivalent forms. It is important to emphasize that although the impedance of simple circuit elements is either purely real (for resistors) or purely imaginary (for capacitors and inductors), the general definition of impedance for an arbitrary circuit must allow for the possibility of having both a real and an imaginary part, since practical circuits are made up of more or less complex interconnections of different circuit elements. In its most general form, the impedance of a circuit element is defined as the sum of a real part and an imaginary part

$$Z(j\omega) = R(j\omega) + jX(j\omega) \quad (4.69)$$

where  $R$  is the **real part of the impedance**, sometimes called the **AC resistance** and  $X$  is the **imaginary part of the impedance**, also called the **reactance**. The frequency dependence of  $R$  and  $X$  has been indicated explicitly, since it is possible for a circuit to have a frequency-dependent resistance. Note that the reactances of equations 4.64 and 4.68 have units of ohms, and that **inductive reactance** is always positive, while **capacitive reactance** is always negative. Examples 4.12 to 4.14 illustrate how a complex impedance containing both real and imaginary parts arises in a circuit. Impedance is another useful mathematical tool that is convenient in solving AC circuits, but has no real physical significance. *Please note that the impedance  $Z(j\omega)$  is not a phasor; but just a complex number.*



**Figure 4.30** Phasor voltage and current relationships for a capacitor



**Figure 4.31** Impedances of  $R$ ,  $L$ , and  $C$  in the complex plane



### EXAMPLE 4.12 Impedance of a Practical Capacitor

#### Problem

A practical capacitor can be modeled by an ideal capacitor in parallel with a resistor. The parallel resistance represents leakage losses in the capacitor and is usually quite large. Find the impedance of a practical capacitor at the radian frequency  $\omega = 377$  rad/s (60 Hz). How will the impedance change if the capacitor is used at a much higher frequency, say, 800 kHz?

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Figure 4.32;  $C_1 = 0.001 \mu\text{F} = 1 \times 10^{-9}$  F;  $R_1 = 1 \text{ M}\Omega$ .

**Find:** The equivalent impedance of the parallel circuit  $Z_1$ .

**Analysis:** To determine the equivalent impedance, we combine the two impedances in parallel.

$$Z_1 = R_1 \parallel \frac{1}{j\omega C_1} = \frac{R_1(1/j\omega C_1)}{R_1 + 1/j\omega C_1} = \frac{R_1}{1 + j\omega C_1 R_1}$$

Substituting numerical values, we find

$$\begin{aligned} Z_1(\omega = 377) &= \frac{10^6}{1 + j377 \times 10^6 \times 10^{-9}} = \frac{10^6}{1 + j0.377} \\ &= 9.3571 \times 10^5 \angle(-0.3605) \Omega \end{aligned}$$

The impedance of the capacitor alone at this frequency would be

$$Z_{C_1}(\omega = 377) = \frac{1}{j377 \times 10^{-9}} = 2.6525 \times 10^6 \angle\left(-\frac{\pi}{2}\right) \Omega$$

You can easily see that the parallel impedance  $Z_1$  is quite different from the impedance of the capacitor alone,  $Z_{C_1}$ .

If the frequency is increased to 800 kHz, or  $1600\pi \times 10^3$  rad/s—a radio frequency in the AM range—we can recompute the impedance to be

$$\begin{aligned} Z_1(\omega = 1600\pi \times 10^3) &= \frac{10^6}{1 + j1,600\pi \times 10^3 \times 10^{-9} \times 10^6} \\ &= \frac{10^6}{1 + j1,600\pi} = 198.9 \angle(-1.5706) \Omega \end{aligned}$$

The impedance of the capacitor alone at this frequency would be

$$Z_{C_1}(\omega = 1,600\pi \times 10^3) = \frac{1}{j1,600\pi \times 10^3 \times 10^{-9}} = 198.9 \angle\left(-\frac{\pi}{2}\right) \Omega$$

Now, the impedances  $Z_1$  and  $Z_{C_1}$  are virtually identical (note that  $\pi/2 = 1.5708$  rad). Thus, the effect of the parallel resistance is negligible at high frequencies.

**Comments:** The effect of the parallel resistance at the lower frequency (corresponding to the well-known 60-Hz AC power frequency) is significant: The effective impedance of the practical capacitor is substantially different from that of the ideal capacitor. On the other

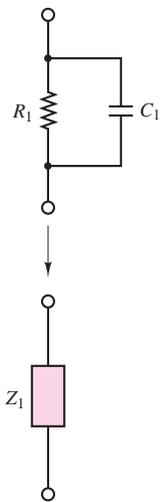


Figure 4.32

hand, at much higher frequency, the parallel resistance has an impedance so much larger than that of the capacitor that it effectively acts as an open circuit, and there is no difference between the ideal and practical capacitor impedances. This example suggests that the behavior of a circuit element depends very much on the frequency of the voltages and currents in the circuit.

### EXAMPLE 4.13 Impedance of a Practical Inductor

#### Problem

A practical inductor can be modeled by an ideal inductor in series with a resistor. Figure 4.33 shows a *toroidal* (doughnut-shaped) inductor. The series resistance represents the resistance of the coil wire and is usually small. Find the range of frequencies over which the impedance of this practical inductor is largely *inductive* (i.e., due to the inductance in the circuit). We shall consider the impedance to be inductive if the impedance of the inductor in the circuit of Figure 4.34 is at least 10 times as large as that of the resistor.

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:**  $L = 0.098$  H; lead length  $= l_c = 2 \times 10$  cm;  $n = 250$  turns; wire is 30-gauge. Resistance of 30-gauge wire  $= 0.344 \Omega/\text{m}$ .

**Find:** The range of frequencies over which the practical inductor acts nearly as an ideal inductor.

**Analysis:** We first determine the equivalent resistance of the wire used in the practical inductor, using the cross section as an indication of the wire length  $l_w$  in the coil:

$$l_w = 250(2 \times 0.25 + 2 \times 0.5) = 375 \text{ cm}$$

$$l = \text{total length} = l_w + l_c = 375 + 20 = 395 \text{ cm}$$

The total resistance is therefore

$$R = 0.344 \Omega/\text{m} \times 0.395 \text{ m} = 0.136 \Omega$$

Thus, we wish to determine the range of radian frequencies,  $\omega$ , over which the magnitude of  $j\omega L$  is greater than  $10 \times 0.136 \Omega$ :

$$\omega L > 1.36 \quad \text{or} \quad \omega > \frac{1.36}{L} = \frac{1.36}{0.098} = 1.39 \text{ rad/s}$$

Alternatively, the range is  $f = \omega/2\pi > 0.22$  Hz.

**Comments:** Note how the resistance of the coil wire is relatively insignificant. This is true because the inductor is rather large; wire resistance can become significant for very small inductance values. At high frequencies, a capacitance should be added to the model because of the effect of the insulator separating the coil wires.

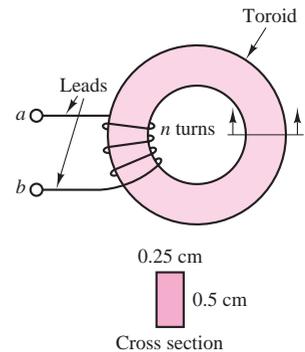


Figure 4.33 A practical inductor

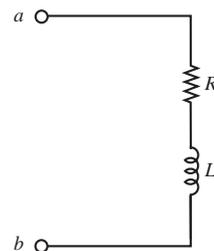


Figure 4.34

### EXAMPLE 4.14 Impedance of a More Complex Circuit

#### Problem

Find the equivalent impedance of the circuit shown in Figure 4.35.



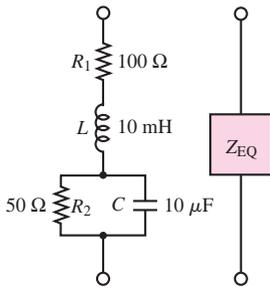


Figure 4.35

**Solution**

**Known Quantities:**  $\omega = 10^4$  rad/s;  $R_1 = 100 \Omega$ ;  $L = 10$  mH;  $R_2 = 50 \Omega$ ;  $C = 10 \mu\text{F}$ .

**Find:** The equivalent impedance of the series-parallel circuit.

**Analysis:** We determine first the parallel impedance  $Z_{||}$  of the  $R_2$ - $C$  circuit.

$$\begin{aligned} Z_{||} &= R_2 \parallel \frac{1}{j\omega C} = \frac{R_2(1/j\omega C)}{R_2 + 1/j\omega C} = \frac{R_2}{1 + j\omega CR_2} \\ &= \frac{50}{1 + j10^4 \times 10 \times 10^{-6} \times 50} = \frac{50}{1 + j5} = 1.92 - j9.62 \\ &= 9.81 \angle (-1.3734) \Omega \end{aligned}$$

Next, we determine the equivalent impedance  $Z_{\text{eq}}$ :

$$\begin{aligned} Z_{\text{eq}} &= R_1 + j\omega L + Z_{||} = 100 + j10^4 \times 10^{-2} + 1.92 - j9.62 \\ &= 101.92 + j90.38 = 136.2 \angle 0.723 \Omega \end{aligned}$$

Is this impedance inductive or capacitive?

**Comments:** At the frequency used in this example, the circuit has an inductive impedance, since the reactance is positive (or, alternatively, the phase angle is positive).

**CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING**

Compute the equivalent impedance of the circuit of Example 4.14 for  $\omega = 1,000$  and  $100,000$  rad/s.

Calculate the equivalent series capacitance of the parallel  $R_2C$  circuit of Example 4.14 at the frequency  $\omega = 10$  rad/s.

$$\text{Answers: } Z(1,000) = 140 - j10; Z(100,000) = 100 + j999; X_{||} = 0.25; C = 0.4 \text{ F}$$

**Admittance**

In Chapter 3, it was suggested that the solution of certain circuit analysis problems was handled more easily in terms of conductances than resistances. This is true, for example, when one is using node analysis, or in circuits with many parallel elements, since conductances in parallel add as resistors in series do. In AC circuit analysis, an analogous quantity may be defined—the reciprocal of complex impedance. Just as the conductance  $G$  of a resistive element was defined as the inverse of the resistance, the **admittance** of a branch is defined as follows:



$$Y = \frac{1}{Z} \quad \text{S} \quad (4.70)$$

Note immediately that whenever  $Z$  is purely real, that is, when  $Z = R + j0$ , the admittance  $Y$  is identical to the conductance  $G$ . In general, however,  $Y$  is the

complex number

$$Y = G + jB \quad (4.71)$$



where  $G$  is called the **AC conductance** and  $B$  is called the **susceptance**; the latter plays a role analogous to that of reactance in the definition of impedance. Clearly,  $G$  and  $B$  are related to  $R$  and  $X$ . However, this relationship is not as simple as an inverse. Let  $Z = R + jX$  be an arbitrary impedance. Then the corresponding admittance is

$$Y = \frac{1}{Z} = \frac{1}{R + jX} \quad (4.72)$$

To express  $Y$  in the form  $Y = G + jB$ , we multiply numerator and denominator by  $R - jX$ :

$$\begin{aligned} Y &= \frac{1}{R + jX} \frac{R - jX}{R - jX} = \frac{R - jX}{R^2 + X^2} \\ &= \frac{R}{R^2 + X^2} - j \frac{X}{R^2 + X^2} \end{aligned} \quad (4.73)$$

and conclude that

$$\begin{aligned} G &= \frac{R}{R^2 + X^2} \\ B &= \frac{-X}{R^2 + X^2} \end{aligned} \quad (4.74)$$

Notice in particular that  $G$  is *not the reciprocal of*  $R$  in the general case!

Example 4.15 illustrates the determination of  $Y$  for some common circuits.

### EXAMPLE 4.15 Admittance

#### Problem

Find the equivalent admittance of the two circuits shown in Figure 4.36.

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:**  $\omega = 2\pi \times 10^3$  rad/s;  $R_1 = 50 \Omega$ ;  $L = 16$  mH;  $R_2 = 100 \Omega$ ;  $C = 3 \mu\text{F}$ .

**Find:** The equivalent admittance of the two circuits.

**Analysis:** Circuit (a): First, determine the equivalent impedance of the circuit:

$$Z_{ab} = R_1 + j\omega L$$

Then compute the inverse of  $Z_{ab}$  to obtain the admittance:

$$Y_{ab} = \frac{1}{R_1 + j\omega L} = \frac{R_1 - j\omega L}{R_1^2 + (\omega L)^2}$$

Substituting numerical values gives

$$Y_{ab} = \frac{1}{50 + j2\pi \times 10^3 \times 0.016} = \frac{1}{50 + j100.5} = 3.968 \times 10^{-3} - j7.976 \times 10^{-3} \text{ S}$$

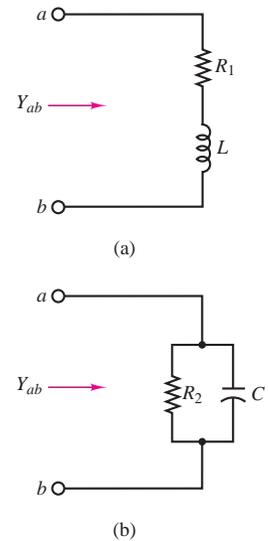


Figure 4.36

Circuit (b): First, determine the equivalent impedance of the circuit:

$$Z_{ab} = R_2 \parallel \frac{1}{j\omega C} = \frac{R_2}{1 + j\omega R_2 C}$$

Then compute the inverse of  $Z_{ab}$  to obtain the admittance:

$$Y_{ab} = \frac{1 + j\omega R_2 C}{R_2} = \frac{1}{R_2} + j\omega C = 0.01 + j0.019 \text{ S}$$

**Comments:** Note that the units of admittance are siemens (S), that is, the same as the units of conductance.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Compute the equivalent admittance of the circuit of Example 4.14.

Answer:  $Y_{EQ} = 5.492 \times 10^{-3} - j4.871 \times 10^{-3}$

## Conclusion

In this chapter we have introduced concepts and tools useful in the analysis of AC circuits. The importance of AC circuit analysis cannot be overemphasized, for a number of reasons. First, circuits made up of resistors, inductors, and capacitors constitute reasonable models for more complex devices, such as transformers, electric motors, and electronic amplifiers. Second, sinusoidal signals are ever-present in the analysis of many physical systems, not just circuits. The skills developed in Chapter 4 will be called upon in the remainder of the book. In particular, they form the basis of Chapters 5 and 6. You should have achieved the following objectives, upon completion of this chapter.

1. *Compute currents, voltages, and energy stored in capacitors and inductors.* In addition to elements that dissipate electric power, there exist electric energy storage elements, the capacitor and the inductor.
2. *Calculate the average and root-mean-square value of an arbitrary (periodic) signal.* Energy storage elements are important whenever the excitation voltages and currents in a circuit are time-dependent. Average and rms values describe two important properties of time-dependent signals.
3. *Write the differential equation(s) for circuits containing inductors and capacitors.* Circuits excited by time-dependent sources and containing energy storage (dynamic) circuit elements give rise to differential equations.
4. *Convert time-domain sinusoidal voltages and currents to phasor notation, and vice versa, and represent circuits using impedances.* For the special case of sinusoidal sources, one can use phasor representation to convert sinusoidal voltages and currents into complex phasors, and use the impedance concept to represent circuit elements.

## HOMEWORK PROBLEMS

### Section 4.1 Energy Storage Circuit Elements

**4.1** The current through a 0.5-H inductor is given by  $i_L = 2 \cos(377t + \pi/6)$ . Write the expression for the voltage across the inductor.

**4.2** The voltage across a 100- $\mu$ F capacitor takes the following values. Calculate the expression for the current through the capacitor in each case.

- $v_C(t) = 40 \cos(20t - \pi/2)$  V
- $v_C(t) = 20 \sin 100t$  V
- $v_C(t) = -60 \sin(80t + \pi/6)$  V
- $v_C(t) = 30 \cos(100t + \pi/4)$  V

**4.3** The current through a 250-mH inductor takes the following values. Calculate the expression for the voltage across the inductor in each case.

- $i_L(t) = 5 \sin 25t$  A
- $i_L(t) = -10 \cos 50t$  A
- $i_L(t) = 25 \cos(100t + \pi/3)$  A
- $i_L(t) = 20 \sin(10t - \pi/12)$  A

**4.4** In the circuit shown in Figure P4.4, let

$$i(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } -\infty < t < 0 \\ t & \text{for } 0 \leq t < 10 \text{ s} \\ 10 & \text{for } 10 \text{ s} \leq t < \infty \end{cases}$$

Find the energy stored in the inductor for all time.

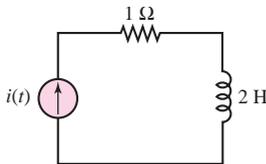


Figure P4.4

**4.5** With reference to Problem 4.4, find the energy delivered by the source for all time.

**4.6** In the circuit shown in Figure P4.4 let

$$i(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } -\infty < t < 0 \\ t & \text{for } 0 \leq t < 10 \text{ s} \\ 20 - t & \text{for } 10 \leq t < 20 \text{ s} \\ 0 & \text{for } 20 \text{ s} \leq t < \infty \end{cases}$$

Find

- The energy stored in the inductor for all time
- The energy delivered by the source for all time

**4.7** In the circuit shown in Figure P4.7, let

$$v(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } -\infty < t < 0 \\ t & \text{for } 0 \leq t < 10 \text{ s} \\ 10 & \text{for } 10 \text{ s} \leq t < \infty \end{cases}$$

Find the energy stored in the capacitor for all time.

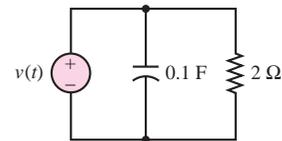


Figure P4.7

**4.8** With reference to Problem 4.7, find the energy delivered by the source for all time.

**4.9** In the circuit shown in Figure P4.7 let

$$v(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } -\infty < t < 0 \\ t & \text{for } 0 \leq t < 10 \text{ s} \\ 20 - t & \text{for } 10 \leq t < 20 \text{ s} \\ 0 & \text{for } 20 \text{ s} \leq t < \infty \end{cases}$$

Find

- The energy stored in the capacitor for all time
- The energy delivered by the source for all time

**4.10** Find the energy stored in each capacitor and inductor, under steady-state conditions, in the circuit shown in Figure P4.10.

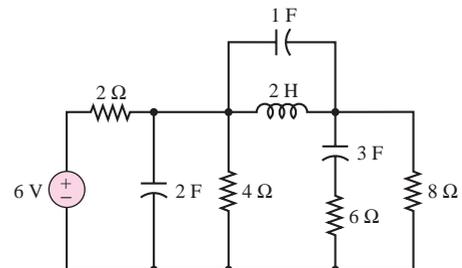


Figure P4.10

**4.11** Find the energy stored in each capacitor and inductor, under steady-state conditions, in the circuit shown in Figure P4.11.

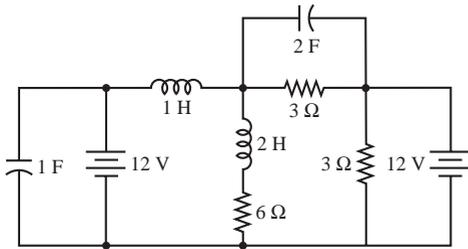


Figure P4.11

- 4.12** The plot of time-dependent voltage is shown in Figure P4.12. The waveform is piecewise continuous. If this is the voltage across a capacitor and  $C = 80 \mu\text{F}$ , determine the current through the capacitor. How can current flow “through” a capacitor?

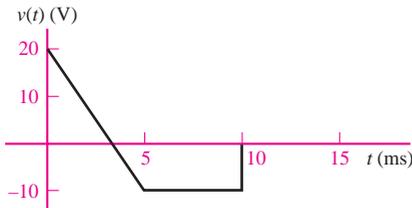


Figure P4.12

- 4.13** The plot of a time-dependent voltage is shown in Figure P4.12. The waveform is piecewise continuous. If this is the voltage across an inductor  $L = 35 \text{ mH}$ , determine the current through the inductor. Assume the initial current is  $i_L(0) = 0$ .
- 4.14** The voltage across an inductor plotted as a function of time is shown in Figure P4.14. If  $L = 0.75 \text{ mH}$ , determine the current through the inductor at  $t = 15 \mu\text{s}$ .

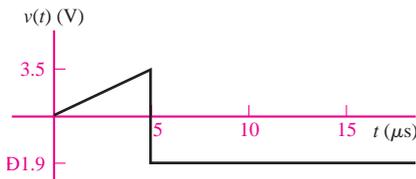


Figure P4.14

- 4.15** If the waveform shown in Figure P4.15 is the voltage across a capacitor plotted as a function of time with

$$v_{\text{PK}} = 20 \text{ V} \quad T = 40 \mu\text{s} \quad C = 680\text{nF}$$

determine and plot the waveform for the current through the capacitor as a function of time.

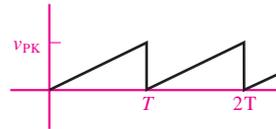


Figure P4.15

- 4.16** If the current through a  $16\text{-}\mu\text{H}$  inductor is zero at  $t = 0$  and the voltage across the inductor (shown in Figure P4.16) is

$$v_L(f) = \begin{cases} 0 & t < 0 \\ 3t^2 & 0 < t < 20 \mu\text{s} \\ 1.2 \text{ nV} & t > 20 \mu\text{s} \end{cases}$$

determine the current through the inductor at  $t = 30 \mu\text{s}$ .

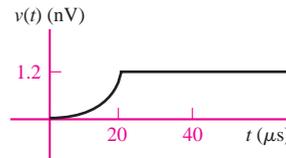


Figure P4.16

- 4.17** Determine and plot as a function of time the current through a component if the voltage across it has the waveform shown in Figure P4.17 and the component is a
- Resistor  $R = 7 \Omega$
  - Capacitor  $C = 0.5 \mu\text{F}$
  - Inductor  $L = 7 \text{ mH}$

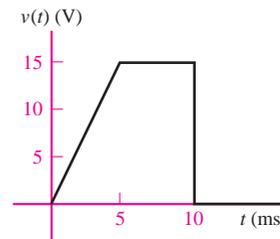


Figure P4.17

- 4.18** If the plots shown in Figure P4.18 are the voltage across and the current through an ideal capacitor, determine the capacitance.

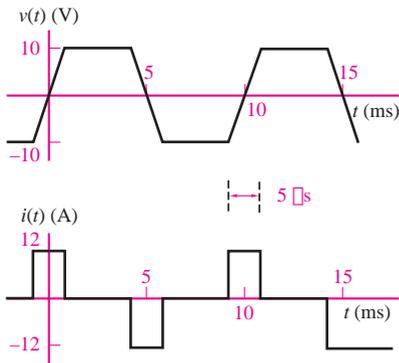


Figure P4.18

4.19 If the plots shown in Figure P4.19 are the voltage across and the current through an ideal inductor, determine the inductance.

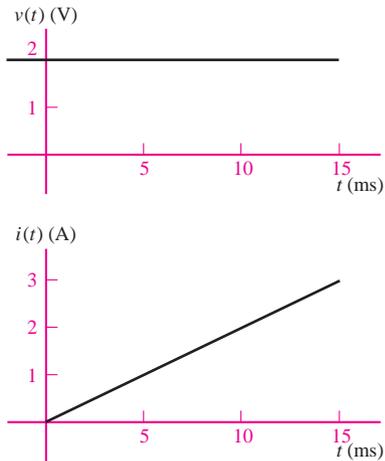


Figure P4.19

4.20 The voltage across and the current through a capacitor are shown in Figure P4.20. Determine the value of the capacitance.

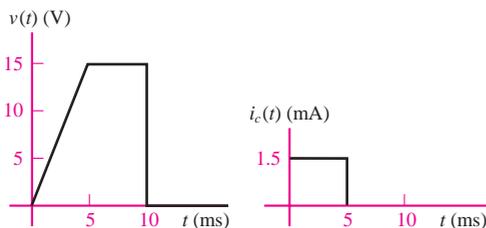


Figure P4.20

4.21 The voltage across and the current through a capacitor are shown in Figure P4.21. Determine the value of the capacitance.

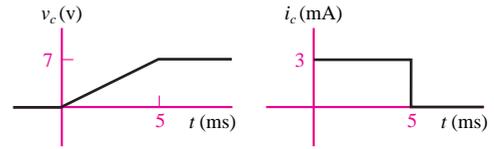


Figure P4.21

4.22 The voltage  $v(t)$  shown in Figure P4.22 is applied to a 10-mH inductor. Find the current through the inductor. Assume  $i_L(0) = 0$  A.

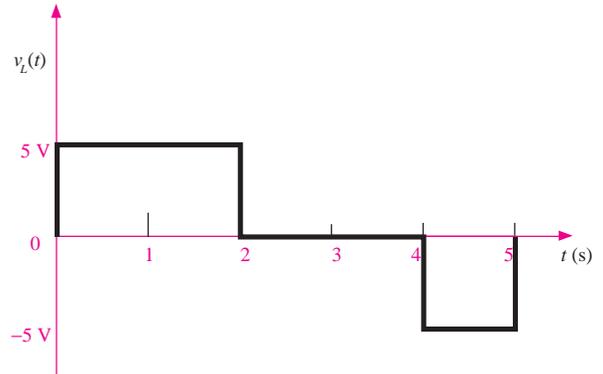


Figure P4.22

4.23 The current waveform shown in Figure P4.23 flows through a 2-H inductor. Plot the inductor voltage  $v_L(t)$ .

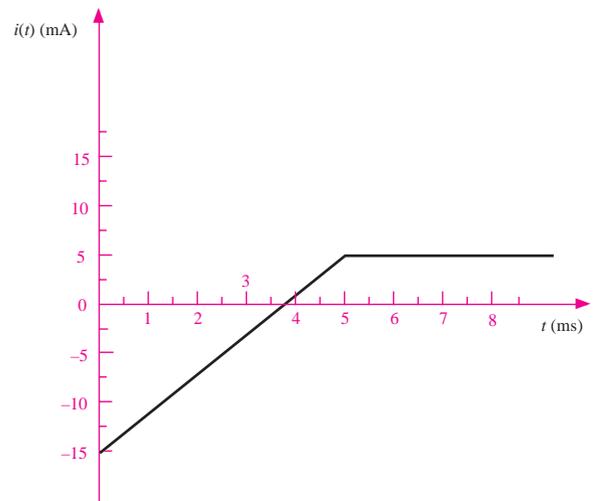


Figure P4.23

4.24 The voltage waveform shown in Figure P4.24 appears across a 100-mH inductor and a 500- $\mu$ F capacitor. Plot the capacitor and inductor currents,  $i_C(t)$  and  $i_L(t)$ , assuming  $i_L(0) = 0$  A.

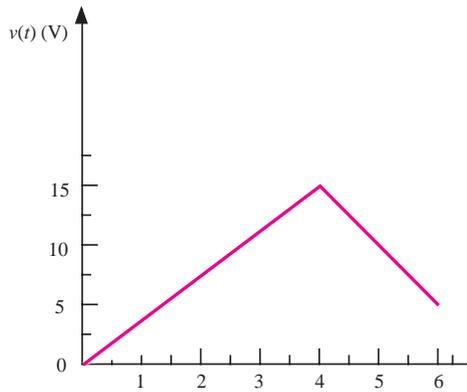


Figure P4.24

4.25 In the circuit shown in Figure P4.25, let

$$i(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } -\infty < t < 0 \\ t & \text{for } 0 \leq t < 1 \text{ s} \\ -(t-2) & \text{for } 1 \leq t < 2 \text{ s} \\ 0 & \text{for } 2 \leq t < \infty \end{cases}$$

Find the energy stored in the inductor for all time.

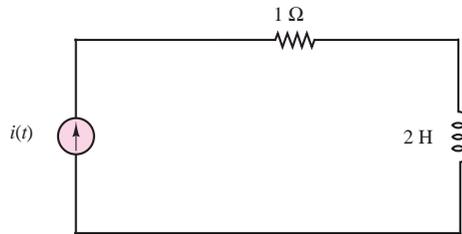


Figure P4.25

4.26 In the circuit shown in Figure P4.26, let

$$v(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } -\infty < t < 0 \\ 2t & \text{for } 0 \leq t < 1 \text{ s} \\ -(2t-4) & \text{for } 1 \leq t < 2 \text{ s} \\ 0 & \text{for } 2 \leq t < \infty \end{cases}$$

Find the energy stored in the capacitor for all time.

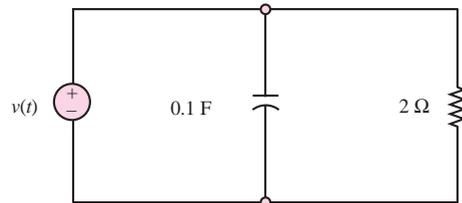


Figure P4.26

4.27 Use the defining law for a capacitor to find the current  $i_C(t)$  corresponding to the voltage shown in Figure P4.27. Sketch your result.

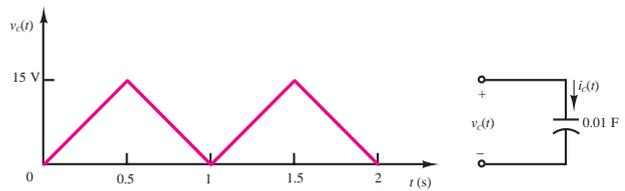


Figure P4.27

4.28 Use the defining law for an inductor to find the current  $i_L(t)$  corresponding to the voltage shown in Figure P4.28. Sketch your result.

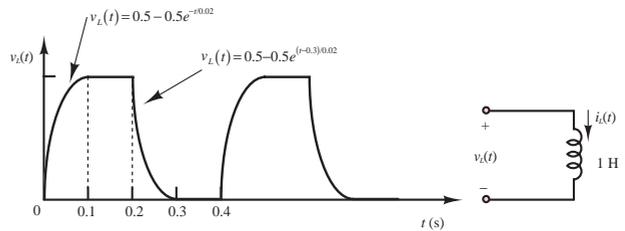


Figure P4.28

### Section 4.2 Time-Dependent Signals Sources

4.29 Find the average and rms value of  $x(t)$ .

$$x(t) = 2 \cos(\omega t) + 2.5$$

4.30 A controlled rectifier circuit is generating the waveform of Figure P4.30 starting from a sinusoidal voltage of 110 V rms. Find the average and rms voltage.

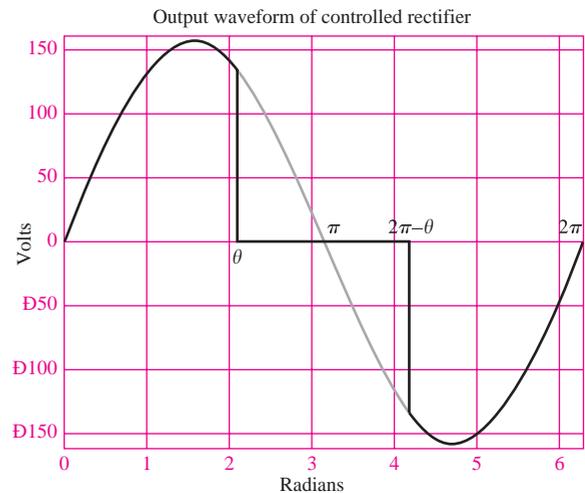
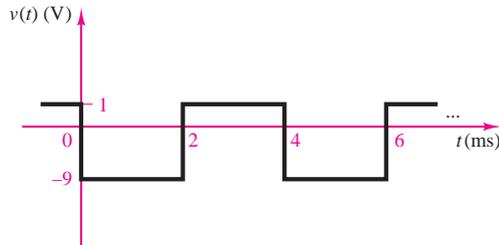


Figure P4.30

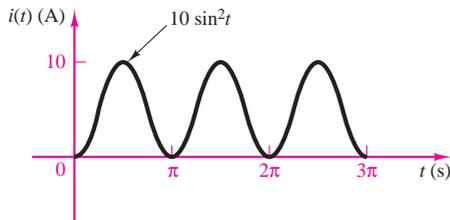
**4.31** With reference to Problem 4.30, find the angle  $\theta$  that corresponds to delivering exactly one-half of the total available power in the waveform to a resistive load.

**4.32** Find the ratio between average and rms value of the waveform of Figure P4.32.



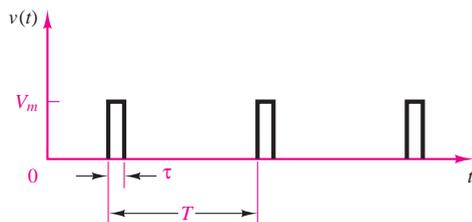
**Figure P4.32**

**4.33** Given the current waveform shown in Figure P4.33, find the power dissipated by a  $1\text{-}\Omega$  resistor.



**Figure P4.33**

**4.34** Find the ratio between average and rms value of the waveform of Figure P4.34.

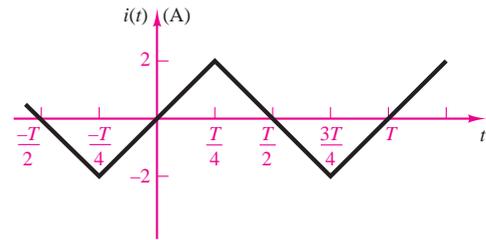


**Figure P4.34**

**4.35** Find the rms value of the waveform shown in Figure P4.35.

**4.36** Determine the rms (or effective) value of

$$v(t) = V_{DC} + v_{AC} = 50 + 70.7 \cos(377t) \text{ V}$$



**Figure P4.35**

**4.37** Find the phasor form of the following functions:

a.  $v(t) = 155 \cos(377t - 25^\circ) \text{ V}$

b.  $v(t) = 5 \sin(1,000t - 40^\circ) \text{ V}$

c.  $i(t) = 10 \cos(10t + 63^\circ) + 15 \cos(10t - 42^\circ) \text{ A}$

d.  $i(t) = 460 \cos(500\pi t - 25^\circ) - 220 \sin(500\pi t + 15^\circ) \text{ A}$

**4.38** Convert the following complex numbers to polar form:

a.  $4 + j4$

b.  $-3 + j4$

c.  $j + 2 - j4 - 3$

**4.39** Convert the following to polar form and compute the product. Compare the result with that obtained using rectangular form.

a.  $(50 + j10)(4 + j8)$

b.  $(j2 - 2)(4 + j5)(2 + j7)$

**4.40** Complete the following exercises in complex arithmetic.

a. Find the complex conjugate of  $(4 + j4)$ ,  $(2 - j8)$ ,  $(-5 + j2)$ .

b. Convert the following to polar form by multiplying the numerator and denominator by the complex conjugate of the denominator and then performing the conversion to polar coordinates:

$$\frac{1 + j7}{4 + j4}, \quad \frac{j4}{2 - j8}, \quad \frac{1}{-5 + j2}$$

c. Repeat part b but this time convert to polar coordinates before performing the division.

**4.41** Convert the following expressions to real-imaginary form:  $j^j$ ,  $e^{j\pi}$ .

**4.42** Given the two voltages  $v_1(t) = 10 \cos(\omega t + 30^\circ)$  and  $v_2(t) = 20 \cos(\omega t + 60^\circ)$ , find  $v(t) = v_1(t) + v_2(t)$  using

a. Trigonometric identities.

b. Phasors.

### Section 4.4: Phasor Solution of Circuits with Sinusoidal Excitation

**4.43** If the current through and the voltage across a component in an electric circuit are

$$i(t) = 17 \cos(\omega t - \pi/12) \text{ mA}$$

$$v(t) = 3.5 \cos(\omega t + 1.309) \text{ V}$$

where  $\omega = 628.3 \text{ rad/s}$ , determine

- Whether the component is a resistor, capacitor, or inductor.
- The value of the component in ohms, farads, or henrys.

**4.44** Describe the sinusoidal waveform shown in Figure P4.44, using time-dependent and phasor notation.

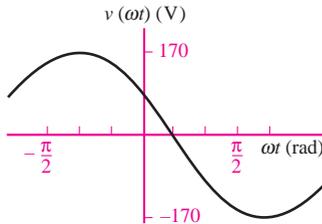


Figure P4.44

**4.45** Describe the sinusoidal waveform shown in Figure P4.45, using time-dependent and phasor notation.

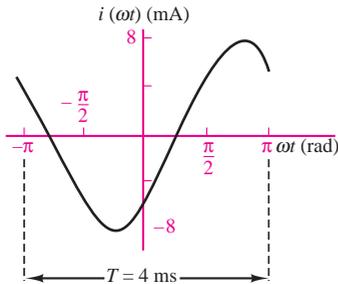


Figure P4.45

**4.46** The current through and the voltage across an electrical component are

$$i(t) = I_o \cos\left(\omega t + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) \quad v(t) = V_o \cos \omega t$$

where

$$I_o = 3 \text{ mA} \quad V_o = 700 \text{ mV} \quad \omega = 6.283 \text{ rad/s}$$

- Is the component inductive or capacitive?
- Plot the instantaneous power  $p(t)$  as a function of  $\omega t$  over the range  $0 < \omega t < 2\pi$ .

- Determine the average power dissipated as heat in the component.
- Repeat parts (b) and (c) if the phase angle of the current is changed to  $0^\circ$ .

**4.47** Determine the equivalent impedance in the circuit shown in Figure P4.47:

$$v_s(t) = 7 \cos\left(3,000t + \frac{\pi}{6}\right) \text{ V}$$

$$R_1 = 2.3 \text{ k}\Omega \quad R_2 = 1.1 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$L = 190 \text{ mH} \quad C = 55 \text{ nF}$$

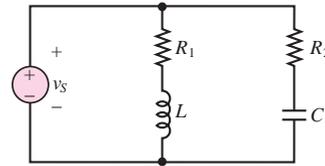


Figure P4.47

**4.48** Determine the equivalent impedance in the circuit shown in Figure P4.47:

$$v_s(t) = 636 \cos\left(3,000t + \frac{\pi}{12}\right) \text{ V}$$

$$R_1 = 3.3 \text{ k}\Omega \quad R_2 = 22 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$L = 1.90 \text{ H} \quad C = 6.8 \text{ nF}$$

**4.49** In the circuit of Figure P4.49,

$$i_s(t) = I_o \cos\left(\omega t + \frac{\pi}{6}\right)$$

$$I_o = 13 \text{ mA} \quad \omega = 1,000 \text{ rad/s}$$

$$C = 0.5 \text{ }\mu\text{F}$$

- State, using phasor notation, the source current.
- Determine the impedance of the capacitor.
- Using phasor notation only and showing all work, determine the voltage across the capacitor, including its polarity.

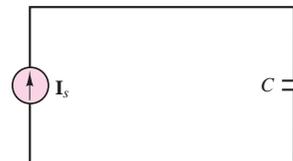


Figure P4.49

**4.50** Determine  $i_3(t)$  in the circuit shown in Figure P4.50 if

$$i_1(t) = 141.4 \cos(\omega t + 2.356) \text{ mA}$$

$$i_2(t) = 50 \sin(\omega t - 0.927) \text{ mA}$$

$$\omega = 377 \text{ rad/s}$$

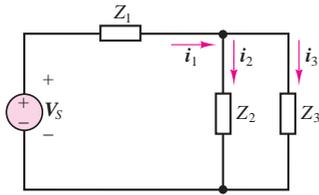


Figure P4.50

- 4.51 Determine the current through  $Z_3$  in the circuit of Figure P4.51.

$$v_{s1} = v_{s2} = 170 \cos(377t) \quad \text{V}$$

$$Z_1 = 5.9 \angle 0.122 \Omega$$

$$Z_2 = 2.3 \angle 0 \Omega$$

$$Z_3 = 17 \angle 0.192 \Omega$$

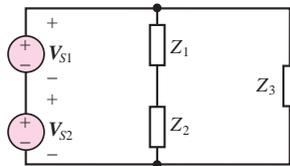


Figure P4.51

- 4.52 Determine the frequency so that the current  $I_i$  and the voltage  $V_o$  in the circuit of Figure P4.52 are in phase.

$$Z_s = 13,000 + j\omega 3 \Omega$$

$$R = 120 \Omega$$

$$L = 19 \text{ mH} \quad C = 220 \text{ pF}$$

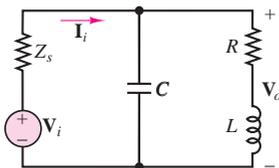


Figure P4.52

- 4.53 The coil resistor in series with  $L$  models the internal losses of an inductor in the circuit of Figure P4.53. Determine the current supplied by the source if

$$v_s(t) = V_o \cos(\omega t + 0)$$

$$V_o = 10 \text{ V} \quad \omega = 6 \text{ M rad/s} \quad R_s = 50 \Omega$$

$$R_c = 40 \Omega \quad L = 20 \mu\text{H} \quad C = 1.25 \text{ nF}$$

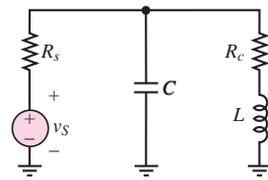


Figure P4.53

- 4.54 Using phasor techniques, solve for the current in the circuit shown in Figure P4.54.

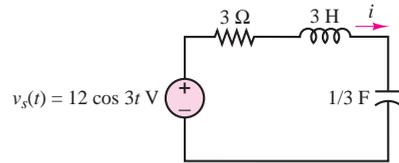


Figure P4.54

- 4.55 Using phasor techniques, solve for the voltage  $v$  in the circuit shown in Figure P4.55.

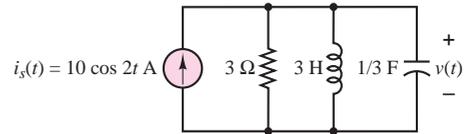


Figure P4.55

- 4.56 Solve for  $I_1$  in the circuit shown in Figure P4.56.

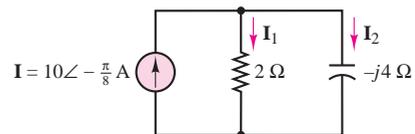


Figure P4.56

- 4.57 Solve for  $V_2$  in the circuit shown in Figure P4.57. Assume  $\omega = 2$ .

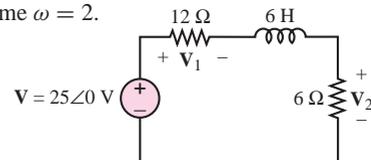


Figure P4.57

- 4.58 With reference to Problem 4.55, find the value of  $\omega$  for which the current through the resistor is maximum.

- 4.59 Find the current through the resistor in the circuit shown in Figure P4.59.

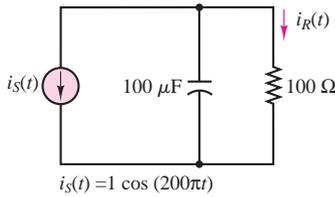


Figure P4.59

4.60 Find  $v_{out}(t)$  for the circuit shown in Figure P4.60.

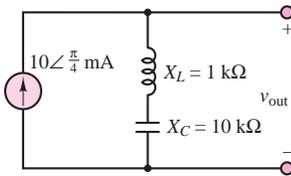


Figure P4.60

4.61 For the circuit shown in Figure P4.61, find the impedance  $Z$ , given  $\omega = 4$  rad/s.

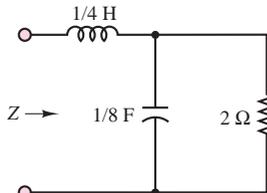


Figure P4.61

4.62 Find the sinusoidal steady-state outputs for each of the circuits shown in Figure P4.62.

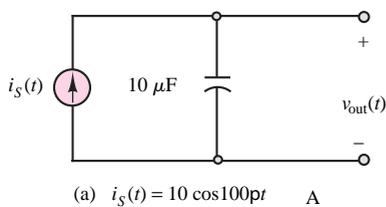
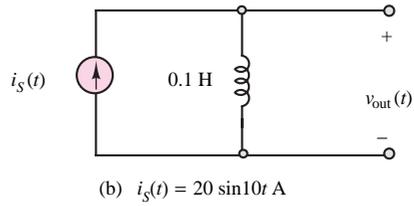
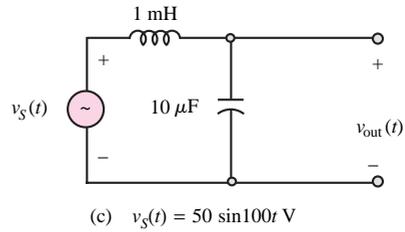


Figure P4.62 (Continued)



(b)  $i_S(t) = 20 \sin 10t$  A



(c)  $v_S(t) = 50 \sin 100t$  V

Figure P4.62

4.63 Determine the voltage across the inductor in the circuit shown in Figure P4.63.

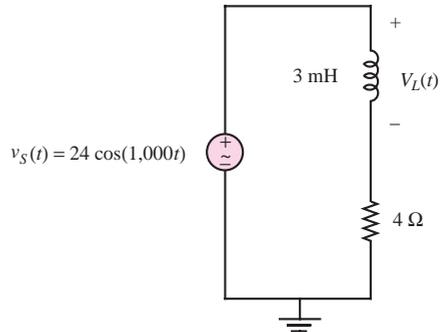


Figure P4.63

4.64 Determine the current through the capacitor in the circuit shown in Figure P4.64.

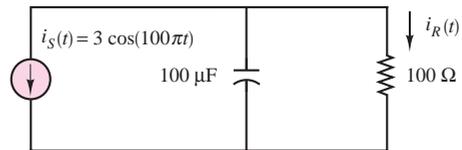


Figure P4.64

4.65 For the circuit shown in the Figure P4.65, find the frequency that causes the equivalent impedance to appear purely resistive.

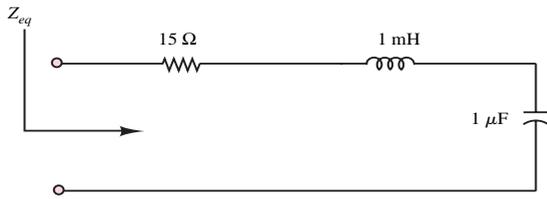


Figure P4.65

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- a. Find the equivalent impedance  $Z_L$  shown in Figure P4.66(a), as seen by the source, if the frequency is  $377 \text{ rad/s}$ .
- b. If we wanted the source to see the load as completely resistive, what value of capacitance should we place between the terminals  $a$  and  $b$  as shown in Figure P4.66(b)? *Hint:* Find an expression for the equivalent impedance  $Z_L$ , and then find  $C$  so that the phase angle of the impedance is zero.

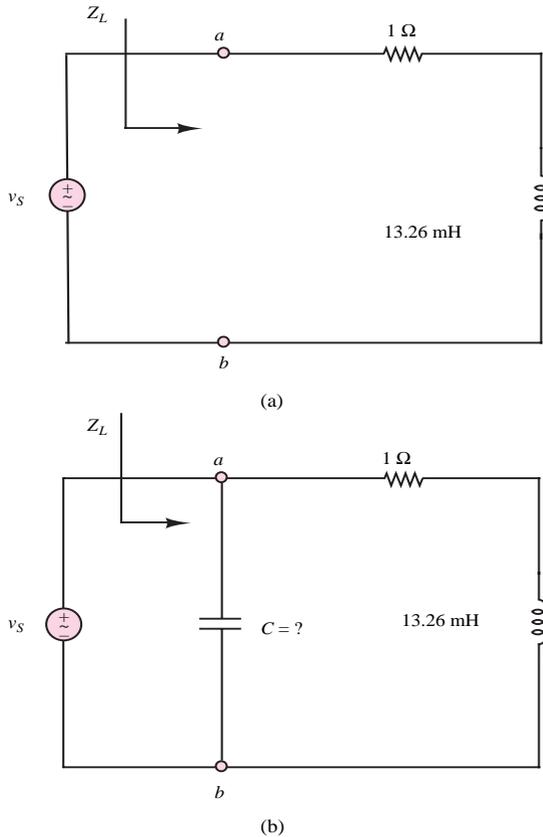


Figure P4.66

- c. What is the actual impedance that the source sees with the capacitor included in the circuit?

**4.67** The capacitor model we have used so far has been treated as an ideal circuit element. A more accurate model for a capacitor is shown in Figure P4.67. The ideal capacitor,  $C$ , has a large “leakage” resistance,  $R_C$ , in parallel with it.  $R_C$  models the leakage current through the capacitor.  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  represent the lead wire resistances, and  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  represent the lead wire inductances.

- a. If  $C = 1 \mu\text{F}$ ,  $R_C = 100 \text{ M}\Omega$ ,  $R_1 = R_2 = 1 \mu\Omega$  and  $L_1 = L_2 = 0.1 \mu\text{H}$ , find the equivalent impedance seen at the terminals  $a$  and  $b$  as a function of frequency  $\omega$ .
- b. Find the range of frequencies for which  $Z_{ab}$  is capacitive, i.e.,  $X_{ab} > 10|R_{ab}$ .

*Hint:* Assume that  $R_C$  is much greater than  $1/\omega C$  so that you can replace  $R_C$  by an infinite resistance in part b.

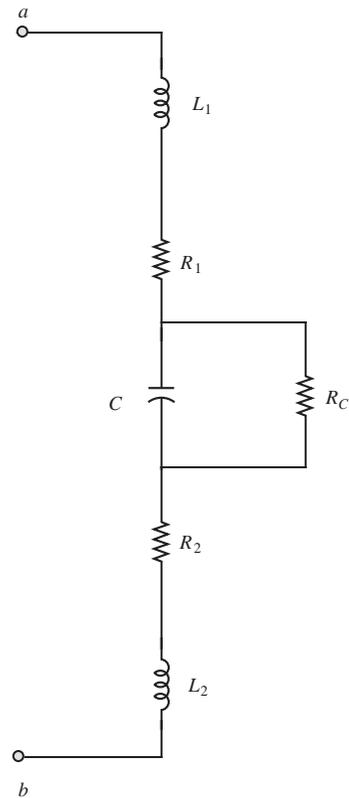


Figure P4.67



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## TRANSIENT ANALYSIS

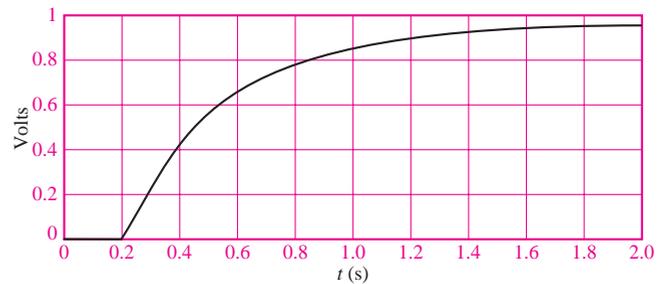
**T**he aim of Chapter 5 is to develop a systematic methodology for the solution of first- and second-order circuits excited by switched DC sources. The chapter presents a unified approach to determining the transient response of linear *RC*, *RL*, and *RLC* circuits; and although the methods presented in the chapter focus only on first- and second-order circuits, the approach to the transient solution is quite general. Throughout the chapter, practical applications of first- and second-order circuits are presented, and numerous analogies are introduced to emphasize the general nature of the solution methods and their applicability to a wide range of physical systems, including hydraulics, mechanical systems, and thermal systems.

## Learning Objectives

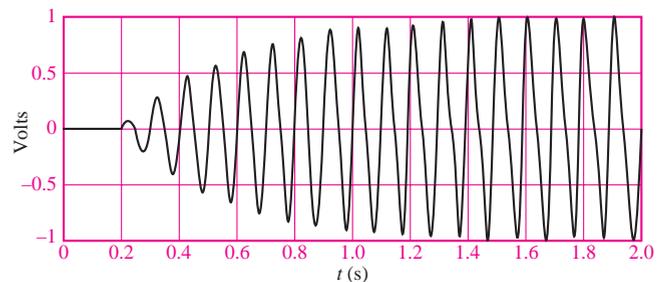
1. Understand the meaning of transients. *Section 1.*
2. Write differential equations for circuits containing inductors and capacitors. *Section 2.*
3. Determine the DC steady-state solution of circuits containing inductors and capacitors. *Section 3.*
4. Write the differential equation of first-order circuits in standard form, and determine the complete solution of first-order circuits excited by switched DC sources. *Section 4.*
5. Write the differential equation of second-order circuits in standard form, and determine the complete solution of second-order circuits excited by switched DC sources. *Section 5.*
6. Understand analogies between electric circuits and hydraulic, thermal, and mechanical systems.

## 5.1 TRANSIENT ANALYSIS

The graphs of Figure 5.1 illustrate the result of the sudden appearance of a voltage across a hypothetical load [a DC voltage in Figure 5.1(a), an AC voltage in Figure 5.1(b)]. In the figure, the source voltage is turned on at time  $t = 0.2$  s. The voltage waveforms of Figure 5.1 can be subdivided into three regions: a *steady-state* region for  $0 \leq t \leq 0.2$  s; a *transient* region for  $0.2 \leq t \leq 2$  s (approximately); and a new steady-state region for  $t > 2$  s, where the voltage reaches a steady DC or AC condition. The objective of **transient analysis** is to describe the behavior of a voltage or a current during the transition between two distinct steady-state conditions.



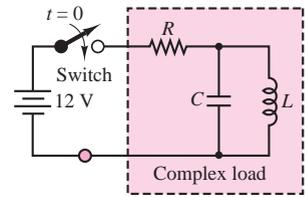
(a) Transient DC voltage



(b) Transient sinusoidal voltage

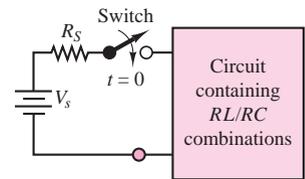
**Figure 5.1** Examples of transient response

The material presented in the remainder of this chapter will provide the tools necessary to describe the *transient response* of circuits containing resistors, inductors, and capacitors. A general example of the type of circuit that is discussed in this section is shown in Figure 5.2. The switch indicates that we turn the battery power on at time  $t = 0$ . Transient behavior may be expected whenever a source of electrical energy is switched on or off, whether it be AC or DC. A typical example of the transient response to a switched DC voltage is what occurs when the ignition circuits in an automobile are turned on, so that a 12-V battery is suddenly connected to a large number of electric circuits. The degree of complexity in transient analysis depends on the number of energy storage elements in the circuit; the analysis can become quite involved for high-order circuits. In this chapter, we analyze only first- and second-order circuits, that is, circuits containing one or two energy storage elements, respectively. In electrical engineering practice, we typically resort to computer-aided analysis for higher-order circuits.

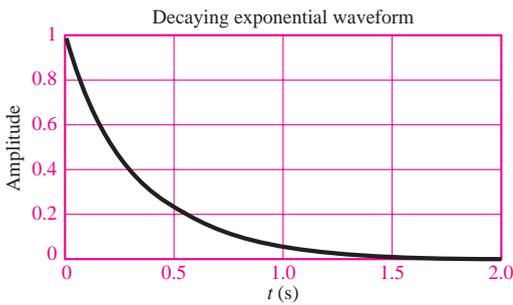


**Figure 5.2** Circuit with switched DC excitation

A convenient starting point in approaching the transient response of electric circuits is to consider the general model shown in Figure 5.3, where the circuits in the box consist of a combination of resistors connected to a *single energy storage element*, either an inductor or a capacitor. Regardless of how many resistors the circuit contains, it is a **first-order circuit**. In general, the response of a first-order circuit to a switched DC source will appear in one of the two forms shown in Figure 5.4, which represent, in order, a **decaying exponential** and a **rising exponential** waveform. In the next sections, we will systematically analyze these responses by recognizing that they are exponential and can be computed very easily once we have the proper form of the differential equation describing the circuit.



**Figure 5.3** A general model of the transient analysis problem



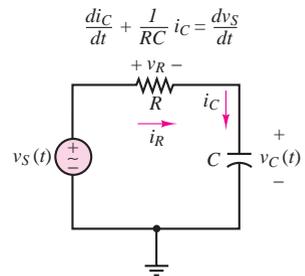
**Figure 5.4** Decaying and rising exponential responses

## 5.2 WRITING DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS FOR CIRCUITS CONTAINING INDUCTORS AND CAPACITORS

The major difference between the analysis of the resistive circuits studied in Chapters 2 and 3 and the circuits we explore in the remainder of this chapter is that now the equations that result from applying Kirchhoff's laws are differential equations, as opposed to the algebraic equations obtained in solving resistive circuits. Consider, for example, the circuit of Figure 5.5, which consists of the series connection of a voltage source, a resistor, and a capacitor. Applying KVL around the loop, we may obtain the following equation:

$$v_S(t) - v_R(t) - v_C(t) = 0 \tag{5.1}$$

A circuit containing energy storage elements is described by a differential equation. The differential equation describing the series RC circuit shown is



**Figure 5.5** Circuit containing energy storage element



## Thermal Capacitance



Just as an electrical capacitor can store energy and a hydraulic capacitor can store fluid (see Make the Connection, “Fluid Capacitance,” in Chapter 4), the thermal capacitance  $C_t$ , of an object is related to two physical properties—mass and specific heat:

$$C_t = mc; m = \text{mass [kg]}$$

$$c = \text{specific heat [J/°C·kg]}$$

Physically, thermal capacitance is related to the ability of a mass to store heat, and describes how much the temperature of the mass will rise for a given addition of heat. If we add heat at the rate  $q$  J/s for time  $\Delta t$  and the resulting temperature rise is  $\Delta T$ , then we can define the thermal capacitance to be

$$C_t = \frac{\text{heat added}}{\text{temperature rise}} = \frac{q \Delta t}{\Delta T}$$

If the temperature rises from value  $T_0$  at time  $t_0$  to  $T_1$  at time  $t_1$ , then we can write

$$T_1 - T_0 = \frac{1}{C_t} \int_{t_0}^{t_1} q(t) dt$$

or, in differential form,

$$C_t \frac{dT(t)}{dt} = q(t)$$

Observing that  $i_R = i_C$ , we may combine equation 5.1 with the defining equation for the capacitor (equation 4.6) to obtain

$$v_S(t) - Ri_C(t) - \frac{1}{C} \int_{-\infty}^t i_C dt' = 0 \quad (5.2)$$

Equation 5.2 is an integral equation, which may be converted to the more familiar form of a differential equation by differentiating both sides of the equation and recalling that

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left[ \int_{-\infty}^t i_C(t') dt' \right] = i_C(t) \quad (5.3)$$

to obtain the differential equation

$$\frac{di_C}{dt} + \frac{1}{RC} i_C = \frac{1}{R} \frac{dv_S}{dt} \quad (5.4)$$

where the argument  $t$  has been dropped for ease of notation.

Observe that in equation 5.4, the independent variable is the series current flowing in the circuit, and that this is not the only equation that describes the series  $RC$  circuit. If, instead of applying KVL, for example, we had applied KCL at the node connecting the resistor to the capacitor, we would have obtained the following relationship:

$$i_R = \frac{v_S - v_C}{R} = i_C = C \frac{dv_C}{dt} \quad (5.5)$$

or

$$\frac{dv_C}{dt} + \frac{1}{RC} v_C = \frac{1}{RC} v_S \quad (5.6)$$

Note the similarity between equations 5.4 and 5.6. The left-hand side of both equations is identical, except for the variable, while the right-hand side takes a slightly different form. The solution of either equation is sufficient, however, to determine all voltages and currents in the circuit. Example 5.1 illustrates the derivation of the differential equation for another simple circuit containing an energy storage element.

### EXAMPLE 5.1 Writing the Differential Equation of an $RL$ Circuit

#### Problem

Derive the differential equation of the circuit shown in Figure 5.6.

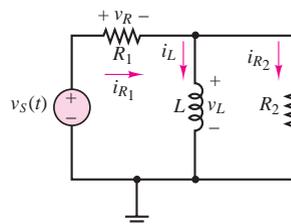


Figure 5.6



**Solution**

**Known Quantities:**  $R_1 = 10 \Omega$ ;  $R_2 = 5 \Omega$ ;  $L = 0.4 \text{ H}$ .

**Find:** The differential equation in  $i_L(t)$ .

**Assumptions:** None.

**Analysis:** Apply KCL at the top node (node analysis) to write the circuit equation. Note that the top node voltage is the inductor voltage  $v_L$ .

$$i_{R1} - i_L - i_{R2} = 0$$

$$\frac{v_S - v_L}{R_1} - i_L - \frac{v_L}{R_2} = 0$$

Next, use the definition of inductor voltage to eliminate the variable  $v_L$  from the nodal equation.

$$\frac{v_S}{R_1} - \frac{L}{R_1} \frac{di_L}{dt} - i_L - \frac{L}{R_2} \frac{di_L}{dt} = 0$$

$$\frac{di_L}{dt} + \frac{R_1 R_2}{L(R_1 + R_2)} i_L = \frac{R_2}{L(R_1 + R_2)} v_S$$

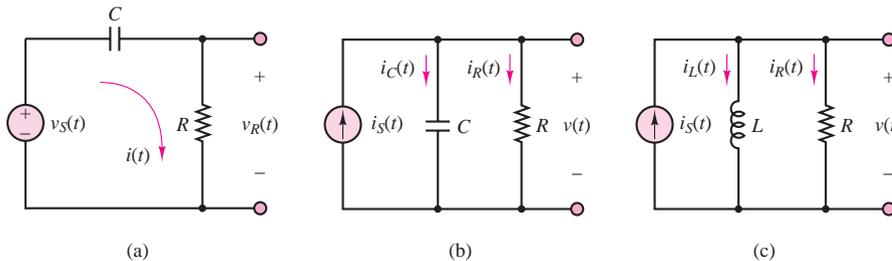
Substituting numerical values, we obtain the following differential equation:

$$\frac{di_L}{dt} + 8.33i_L = 0.833v_S$$

**Comments:** Deriving differential equations for dynamic circuits requires the same basic circuit analysis skills that were developed in Chapter 3. The only difference is the introduction of integral or derivative terms originating from the defining relations for capacitors and inductors.

**CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING**

Write the differential equation for each of the circuits shown below.



Answers: (a)  $RC \frac{dv(t)}{dt} + v(t) = v_S(t)$ ; (b)  $\frac{d^2 i(t)}{dt^2} + \frac{1}{RC} \frac{di(t)}{dt} + i(t) = i_S(t)$ ; (c)  $\frac{L}{R} \frac{di_L(t)}{dt} + i_L(t) = i_S(t)$

We can generalize the results presented in the preceding pages by observing that any circuit containing a single energy storage element can be described by a



**Thermal System Dynamics** LO6

To describe the dynamics of a thermal system, we write a differential equation based on energy balance. The difference between the heat added to the mass by an external source and the heat leaving the same mass (by convection or conduction) must be equal to the heat stored in the mass:

$$q_{in} - q_{out} = q_{stored}$$

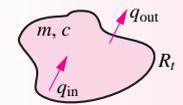
An object is internally heated at the rate  $q_{in}$ , in ambient temperature  $T = T_a$ ; the thermal capacitance and thermal resistance are  $C_t$  and  $R_t$ . From energy balance:

$$q_{in}(t) - \frac{T(t) - T_a}{R_t} = C_t \frac{dT(t)}{dt}$$

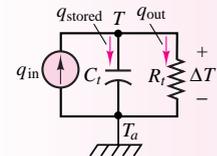
$$R_t C_t \frac{dT(t)}{dt} + T(t) = R_t q_{in}(t) + T_a$$

$$\tau_t = R_t C_t \quad K_{St} = R_t$$

This first-order system is identical in its form to an electric  $RC$  circuit, as shown below.



**Thermal system**



**Equivalent electrical circuit**

differential equation of the form

$$a_1 \frac{dx(t)}{dt} + a_0 x(t) = b_0 f(t) \quad (5.7)$$

where  $x(t)$  represents the capacitor voltage in the circuit of Figure 5.5 and the inductor current in the circuit of Figure 5.6, and where the constants  $a_0$ ,  $a_1$ , and  $b_0$  consist of combinations of circuit element parameters. Equation 5.7 is a **first-order linear ordinary differential equation** with constant coefficients. The equation is said to be of first order because the highest derivative present is of first order; it is said to be ordinary because the derivative that appears in it is an ordinary derivative (in contrast to a *partial* derivative); and the coefficients of the differential equation are constant in that they depend only on the values of resistors, capacitors, or inductors in the circuit, and not, for example, on time, voltage, or current.

Equation 5.7 can be rewritten as

$$\frac{a_1}{a_0} \frac{dx(t)}{dt} + x(t) = \frac{b_0}{a_0} f(t) \quad (5.8)$$



or

$$\tau \frac{dx(t)}{dt} + x(t) = K_S f(t) \quad \text{First-order system equation}$$

where the constants  $\tau = a_1/a_0$  and  $K_S = b_0/a_0$  are termed the **time constant** and the **DC gain**, respectively. We shall return to this form when we derive the complete solution to this first-order differential equation.

Consider now a circuit that contains two energy storage elements, such as that shown in Figure 5.7. Application of KVL results in the following equation:

$$-Ri(t) - L \frac{di(t)}{dt} - \frac{1}{C} \int_{-\infty}^t i(t') dt' + v_S(t) = 0 \quad (5.9)$$

Equation 5.9 is called an *integrodifferential equation*, because it contains both an integral and a derivative. This equation can be converted to a differential equation by differentiating both sides, to obtain

$$R \frac{di(t)}{dt} + L \frac{d^2i(t)}{dt^2} + \frac{1}{C} i(t) = \frac{dv_S(t)}{dt} \quad (5.10)$$

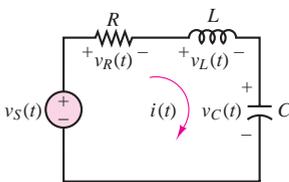
or, equivalently, by observing that the current flowing in the series circuit is related to the capacitor voltage by  $i(t) = C dv_C/dt$ , and that equation 5.9 can be rewritten as

$$RC \frac{dv_C(t)}{dt} + LC \frac{d^2v_C(t)}{dt^2} + v_C(t) = v_S(t) \quad (5.11)$$

Note that although different variables appear in the preceding differential equations, both equations 5.10 and 5.11 can be rearranged to appear in the same general form, as follows:

$$a_2 \frac{d^2x(t)}{dt^2} + a_1 \frac{dx(t)}{dt} + a_0 x(t) = b_0(t) \quad (5.12)$$

where the general variable  $x(t)$  represents either the series current of the circuit of Figure 5.7 or the capacitor voltage. By analogy with equation 5.8, we call equation 5.12



**Figure 5.7** Second-order circuit

a **second-order linear ordinary differential equation** with constant coefficients. Equation 5.12 can be rewritten as

$$\frac{a_2}{a_0} \frac{d^2x(t)}{dt^2} + \frac{a_1}{a_0} \frac{dx(t)}{dt} + x(t) = \frac{b_0}{a_0} f(t)$$

or

$$\frac{1}{\omega_n^2} \frac{d^2x(t)}{dt^2} + \frac{2\zeta}{\omega_n} \frac{dx(t)}{dt} + x(t) = K_S f(t) \quad \text{Second-order system equation}$$

(5.13)



where the constants  $\omega_n = \sqrt{a_0/a_2}$ ,  $\zeta = (a_1/2)\sqrt{1/a_0a_2}$ , and  $K_S = b_0/a_0$  are termed the **natural frequency**, the **damping ratio**, and the **DC gain**, respectively. We shall return to this form when we derive the complete solution to this second-order differential equation.

As the number of energy storage elements in a circuit increases, one can therefore expect that higher-order differential equations will result. Computer aids are often employed to solve differential equations of higher order; some of these software packages are specifically targeted at the solution of the equations that result from the analysis of electric circuits (e.g., Electronics Workbench<sup>TM</sup>).

### EXAMPLE 5.2 Writing the Differential Equation of an RLC Circuit

#### Problem

Derive the differential equation of the circuit shown in Figure 5.8.

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:**  $R_1 = 10 \text{ k}\Omega$ ;  $R_2 = 50 \text{ }\Omega$ ;  $L = 10 \text{ mH}$ ;  $C = 0.1 \text{ }\mu\text{F}$ .

**Find:** The differential equation in  $i_L(t)$ .

**Assumptions:** None.

**Analysis:** Apply KCL at the top node (node analysis) to write the first circuit equation. Note that the top node voltage is the capacitor voltage  $v_C$ .

$$\frac{v_S - v_C}{R_1} - C \frac{dv_C}{dt} - i_L = 0$$

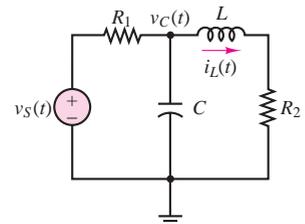
Now, we need a second equation to complete the description of the circuit, since the circuit contains two energy storage elements (second-order circuit). We can obtain a second equation in the capacitor voltage  $v_C$  by applying KVL to the mesh on the right-hand side:

$$v_C - L \frac{di_L}{dt} - R_2 i_L = 0$$

$$v_C = L \frac{di_L}{dt} + R_2 i_L$$

Next, we can substitute the above expression for  $v_C$  into the first equation, to obtain a *second-order* differential equation, shown below.

$$\frac{v_S}{R_1} - \frac{L}{R_1} \frac{di_L}{dt} - \frac{R_2}{R_1} i_L - C \frac{d}{dt} \left( L \frac{di_L}{dt} + R_2 i_L \right) - i_L = 0$$



**Figure 5.8** Second-order circuit of Example 5.2

Rearranging the equation, we can obtain the standard form similar to that of equation 5.12:

$$R_1CL \frac{d^2 i_L}{dt^2} + (R_1R_2C + L) \frac{di_L}{dt} + (R_1 + R_2)i_L = v_S$$

**Comments:** Note that we could have derived an analogous equation by using the capacitor voltage as an independent variable; either energy storage variable is an acceptable choice. You might wish to try obtaining a second-order equation in  $v_C$  as an exercise. In this case, you would want to substitute an expression for  $i_L$  in the first equation into the second equation in  $v_C$ .

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Derive a differential equation in the variable  $v_C(t)$  for the circuit of Example 5.2.

$$\frac{d^2 v_C(t)}{dt^2} + \left( \frac{R_1}{L} + \frac{R_2}{R_1 R_2 C} \right) \frac{dv_C(t)}{dt} + \left( \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} \right) v_C(t) = \frac{v_S(t)}{R_1}$$

## 5.3 DC STEADY-STATE SOLUTION OF CIRCUITS CONTAINING INDUCTORS AND CAPACITORS—INITIAL AND FINAL CONDITIONS

This section deals with the DC steady-state solution of the differential equations presented in Section 5.2. In particular, we illustrate simple methods for deriving the **initial** and **final conditions** of circuits that are connected to a switched DC source. These conditions will be very helpful in obtaining the complete transient solution. Further, we also show how to compute the initial conditions that are needed to solve the circuit differential equation, using the principle of continuity of inductor voltage and current.

### DC Steady-State Solution

The term *DC steady state* refers to circuits that have been connected to a DC (voltage or current) source for a very long time, such that it is reasonable to assume that all voltages and currents in the circuits have become constant. If all variables are constant, the steady-state solution of the differential equation can be found very easily, since all derivatives must be equal to zero. For example, consider the differential equation derived in Example 5.1 (see Figure 5.6):

$$\frac{di_L(t)}{dt} + \frac{R_1R_2}{L(R_1 + R_2)} i_L(t) = \frac{R_2}{L(R_1 + R_2)} v_S(t) \quad (5.14)$$

Rewriting this equation in the general form of equation 5.8, we obtain

$$\frac{L(R_1 + R_2)}{R_1R_2} \frac{di_L(t)}{dt} + i_L(t) = \frac{1}{R_1} v_S(t)$$

or

$$\tau \frac{di_L(t)}{dt} + i_L(t) = K_S v_S(t) \quad (5.15)$$

where

$$\tau = \frac{L(R_1 + R_2)}{R_1 R_2} \quad \text{and} \quad K_S = \frac{1}{R_1}$$

With  $v_S$  equal to a constant (DC) voltage, after a suitably long time the current in the circuit is a constant, and the derivative term goes to zero:

$$\frac{L(R_1 + R_2)}{R_1 R_2} \frac{di_L(t)}{dt} + i_L(t) = \frac{1}{R_1} v_S(t)$$

and

$$i_L = \frac{1}{R_1} v_S \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty \quad (5.16)$$

or

$$i_L = K_S v_S$$

Note that the steady-state solution is found very easily, and it is determined by the constant  $K_S$ , which we called the *DC gain* of the circuit. You can see that the general form of the first-order differential equation (equation 5.8) is very useful in finding the steady-state solution.

Let us attempt the same method for a second-order circuit, considering the solution of Example 5.2 (see Figure 5.8):

$$R_1 C L \frac{d^2 i_L(t)}{dt^2} + (R_1 R_2 C + L) \frac{di_L(t)}{dt} + (R_1 + R_2) i_L(t) = v_S(t) \quad (5.17)$$

or

$$\frac{R_1 C L}{R_1 + R_2} \frac{d^2 i_L(t)}{dt^2} + \frac{R_1 R_2 C + L}{R_1 + R_2} \frac{di_L(t)}{dt} + i_L(t) = \frac{1}{R_1 + R_2} v_S(t)$$

We can express this differential equation in the general form of equation 5.13, to find that

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\omega_n^2} \frac{d^2 i_L(t)}{dt^2} + \frac{2\zeta}{\omega_n} \frac{di_L(t)}{dt} + i_L(t) &= K_S v_S(t) \\ \frac{1}{\omega_n^2} &= \frac{R_1 C L}{R_1 + R_2} \quad \frac{2\zeta}{\omega_n} = \frac{R_1 R_2 C + L}{R_1 + R_2} \quad K_S = \frac{1}{R_1 + R_2} \end{aligned} \quad (5.18)$$

and that, one more time, the steady-state solution, when the derivatives are equal to zero, is

$$\frac{1}{\omega_n^2} \frac{d^2 i_L(t)}{dt^2} + \frac{2\zeta}{\omega_n} \frac{di_L(t)}{dt} + i_L(t) = K_S v_S(t) \quad (5.19)$$

and

$$i_L = K_S v_S \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty$$

A different way to arrive at the same result is to start from the defining equation for the capacitor and inductor and see what happens as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ :

$i_C(t) = C \frac{dv_C(t)}{dt}$	Defining equation for capacitor	(5.20)
$i_C(t) \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty$	Steady-state capacitor current	

and

$$v_L(t) = L \frac{di_L(t)}{dt} \quad \text{Defining equation for inductor} \quad (5.21)$$

$$v_L(t) \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty \quad \text{Steady-state inductor voltage}$$

Thus, capacitor currents and the inductor voltages become zero in the DC steady state. From a circuit analysis standpoint, this means that we can very easily apply circuit analysis methods from Chapters 2 and 3 to determine the steady-state solution of any circuit containing capacitors and inductors if we observe that the circuit element for which the current is always zero is the *open circuit*, and the circuit element for which the voltage is always zero is the *short circuit*. Thus we can make the following observation:



At DC steady state, all capacitors behave as open circuits and all inductors behave as short circuits.

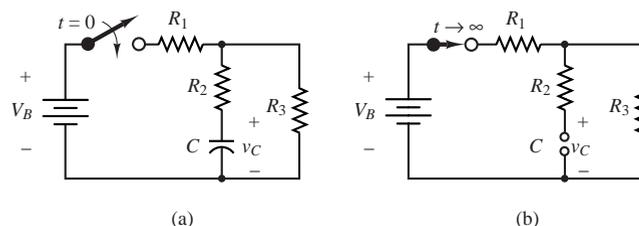
Prior to presenting some examples, we make one last important comment. The DC steady-state condition is usually encountered in one of two cases: *before a switch is first activated*, in which case we call the DC steady-state solution the **initial condition**, and *a long time after a switch has been activated*, in which case we call the DC steady-state solution the **final condition**. We now introduce the notation  $x(\infty)$  to denote the value of the variable  $x(t)$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$  (final condition) and the notation  $x(0)$  to denote the value of the variable  $x(t)$  at  $t = 0$ , that is, just before the switch is activated (initial condition). These ideas are illustrated in Examples 5.3 and 5.4.



### EXAMPLE 5.3 Initial and Final Conditions

#### Problem

Determine the capacitor voltage in the circuit of Figure 5.9(a) a long time after the switch has been closed.



**Figure 5.9** (a) Circuit for Example 5.3; (b) same circuit a long time after the switch is closed

**Solution**

**Known Quantities:** The values of the circuit elements are  $R_1 = 100 \Omega$ ;  $R_2 = 75 \Omega$ ;  $R_3 = 250 \Omega$ ;  $C = 1 \mu\text{F}$ ;  $V_B = 12 \text{ V}$ .

**Analysis:** After the switch has been closed for a long time, we treat the capacitor as an open circuit, as shown in Figure 5.9(b). Now the problem is a simple DC circuit analysis problem. With the capacitor as an open circuit, no current flows through resistor  $R_2$ , and therefore we have a simple voltage divider. Let  $V_3$  be the voltage across resistor  $V_3$ ; then

$$V_3(\infty) = \frac{R_3}{R_1 + R_3} V_B = \frac{250}{350}(12) = 8.57 \text{ V}$$

To determine the capacitor voltage, we observe that the voltage across each of the two parallel branches must be the same, that is,  $V_3(\infty) = v_c(\infty) + V_2(\infty)$  where  $V_2(\infty)$  is the steady-state value of the voltage across resistor  $R_2$ . But  $V_2(\infty)$  is zero, since no current flows through the resistor, and therefore

$$v_c(\infty) = V_3(\infty) = 8.57 \text{ V}$$

**Comments:** The voltage  $v_c(\infty)$  is the final condition of the circuit of Figure 5.9(a).

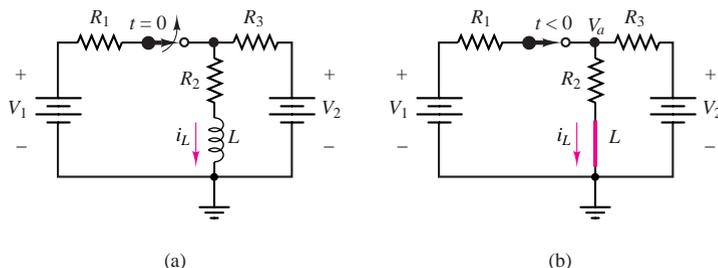
**CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING**

Now suppose that the switch is opened again. What will be the capacitor voltage after a long time? Why?

Answer:  $v_c(\infty) = 0 \text{ V}$ . The capacitor will discharge through  $R_2$  and  $R_3$ .

**EXAMPLE 5.4 Initial and Final Conditions****Problem**

Determine the inductor current in the circuit of Figure 5.10(a) just before the switch is opened.



**Figure 5.10** (a) Circuit for Example 5.4; (b) same circuit a long time before the switch is opened

**Solution**

**Known Quantities:** The values of the circuit elements are  $R_1 = 1 \text{ k}\Omega$ ;  $R_2 = 5 \text{ k}\Omega$ ;  $R_3 = 3.33 \text{ k}\Omega$ ;  $L = 0.1 \text{ H}$ ;  $V_1 = 12 \text{ V}$ ;  $V_2 = 4 \text{ V}$ .

**Analysis:** Before opening, the switch has been closed for a long time. Thus, we have a steady-state condition, and we treat the inductor as a short circuit, as shown in Figure 5.10(b). Now it is a simple DC circuit analysis problem that is best approached using node analysis:

$$\frac{V_1 - V_a}{R_1} - \frac{V_a}{R_2} + \frac{V_2 - V_a}{R_3} = 0$$

$$V_a = \left( \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} + \frac{1}{R_3} \right)^{-1} \left( \frac{V_1}{R_1} + \frac{V_2}{R_3} \right) = 8.79 \text{ V}$$

To determine the inductor current, we observe that

$$i_L(0) = \frac{V_a}{R_2} = \frac{8.79}{5,000} = 1.758 \text{ mA}$$

**Comments:** The current  $i_L(0)$  is the initial condition of the circuit of Figure 5.10(a).

**CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING**

Now suppose that the switch is opened. What will be the inductor current after a long time?

$$\text{Answer: } i_L(\infty) = \frac{V_2}{R_2 + R_3} = 0.48 \text{ mA}$$

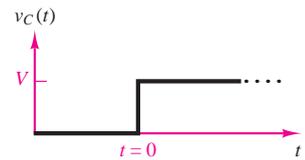
**Continuity of Inductor Currents and Capacitor Voltages, and Initial Conditions**

As has already been stated, the primary variables employed in the analysis of circuits containing energy storage elements are *capacitor voltages* and *inductor currents*. This choice stems from the fact that the energy storage process in capacitors and inductors is closely related to these respective variables. The amount of charge stored in a capacitor is directly related to the voltage present across the capacitor, while the energy stored in an inductor is related to the current flowing through it. A fundamental property of inductor currents and capacitor voltages makes it easy to identify the initial condition and final value for the differential equation describing a circuit: *Capacitor voltages and inductor currents cannot change instantaneously*. An instantaneous change in either of these variables would require an infinite amount of power. Since power equals energy per unit time, it follows that a truly instantaneous change in energy (i.e., a finite change in energy in zero time) would require infinite power.

Another approach to illustrating the same principle is as follows. Consider the defining equation for the capacitor

$$i_C(t) = C \frac{dv_C(t)}{dt}$$

and assume that the capacitor voltage  $v_C(t)$  can change instantaneously, say, from 0 to  $V$  volts, as shown in Figure 5.11. The value of  $dv_C/dt$  at  $t = 0$  is simply the slope of the voltage  $v_C(t)$  at  $t = 0$ . Since the slope is infinite at that point, because of the instantaneous transition, it would require an infinite amount of current for the voltage across a capacitor to change instantaneously. But this is equivalent to requiring an infinite amount of power, since power is the product of voltage and current. A similar argument holds if we assume a “step” change in inductor current from, say, 0 to  $I$  amperes: An infinite voltage would be required to cause an instantaneous change in inductor current. This simple fact is extremely useful in determining the response of a circuit. Its immediate consequence is that



**Figure 5.11** Abrupt change in capacitor voltage

*The value of an inductor current or a capacitor voltage just prior to the closing (or opening) of a switch is equal to the value just after the switch has been closed (or opened). Formally,*

$$v_C(0^+) = v_C(0^-) \quad (5.22)$$

$$i_L(0^+) = i_L(0^-) \quad (5.23)$$

where the notation  $0^+$  signifies “just after  $t = 0$ ” and  $0^-$  means “just before  $t = 0$ .”



### EXAMPLE 5.5 Continuity of Inductor Current

#### Problem

Find the initial condition and final value of the inductor current in the circuit of Figure 5.12.

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Source current  $I_S$ ; inductor and resistor values.

**Find:** Inductor current at  $t = 0^+$  and as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $I_S = 10$  mA.

**Assumptions:** The current source has been connected to the circuit for a very long time.

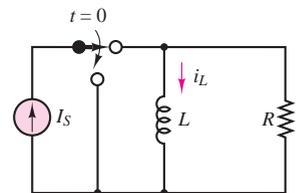
**Analysis:** At  $t = 0^-$ , since the current source has been connected to the circuit for a very long time, the inductor acts as a short circuit, and  $i_L(0^-) = I_S$ . Since all the current flows through the inductor, the voltage across the resistor must be zero. At  $t = 0^+$ , the switch opens and we can state that

$$i_L(0^+) = i_L(0^-) = I_S$$

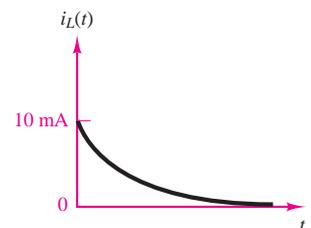
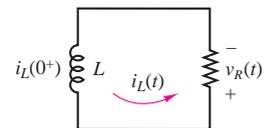
because of the continuity of inductor current.

The circuit for  $t \geq 0$  is shown in Figure 5.13, where the presence of the current  $i_L(0^+)$  denotes the initial condition for the circuit. A qualitative sketch of the current as a function of time is also shown in Figure 5.13, indicating that the inductor current eventually becomes zero as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ .

**Comments:** Note that the direction of the current in the circuit of Figure 5.13 is dictated by the initial condition, since the inductor current cannot change instantaneously. Thus, the current



**Figure 5.12**



**Figure 5.13**



## Hydraulic Tank



The analogy between electric and hydraulic circuits illustrated in earlier chapters can be applied to the hydraulic tank shown in Figure 5.14. The tank is cylindrical with cross-sectional area  $A$ , and the liquid contained in the tank exits the tank through a valve, which is modeled by a fluid resistance  $R$ . Initially, the level, or head, of the liquid is  $h_0$ . The principle of conservation of mass can be applied to the liquid in the tank of Figure 5.14 to determine the rate at which the tank will empty. For mass to be conserved, the following equation must apply:

$$q_{\text{in}} - q_{\text{out}} = q_{\text{stored}}$$

In the above equation, the variable  $q$  represents a volumetric flow rate in cubic meters per second. The flow rate into the tank is zero in this particular case, and the flow rate out is given by the pressure difference across the valve, divided by the resistance:

$$q_{\text{out}} = \frac{\Delta p}{R} = \frac{\rho gh}{R}$$

The expression  $\Delta p = \rho gh$  is obtained from basic fluid mechanics:  $\rho gh$  is the static pressure at the bottom of the tank, where  $\rho$  is the density of the liquid,  $g$  is the acceleration of gravity, and  $h$  is the (changing) liquid level.

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will flow counterclockwise, and the voltage across the resistor will therefore have the polarity shown in the figure.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

The switch in the circuit of Figure 5.10 (Example 5.4) has been open for a long time, and it is closed again at  $t = t_0$ . Find the initial condition  $i_L(t_0^+)$ .

Answer:  $i_L(t_0^+) = i_L(t_0^-) = 0.48 \text{ mA}$

## 5.4 TRANSIENT RESPONSE OF FIRST-ORDER CIRCUITS

**First-order systems** occur very frequently in nature: Any system that has the ability to store energy in one form (potential or kinetic, but not both) and to dissipate this stored energy is a first-order system. In an electric circuit, we recognize that any circuit containing a single energy storage element (an inductor or a capacitor) and a combination of voltage or current sources and resistors is a first-order circuit. We also encounter first-order systems in other domains. For example, a mechanical system characterized by mass and damping (e.g., sliding or viscous friction) but that does not display any elasticity or compliance is a first-order system. A fluid system displaying flow resistance and fluid mass storage (fluid capacitance) is also first order; an example of a first-order hydraulic system is a liquid-filled tank with a valve (variable orifice). Thermal systems can also often be modeled as having first-order behavior: The ability to store and to dissipate heat leads to first-order differential equations. The heating and cooling of many physical objects can often be approximated in this fashion. The aim of this section is to help you develop a sound methodology for the solution of first-order circuits, and to help you make the connection with other domains and disciplines, so that someday you may apply these same ideas to other engineering systems.

### Elements of the Transient Response

As explained in Section 5.1, the transient response of a circuit consists of three parts: (1) the steady-state response prior to the transient (in this chapter, we shall only consider transients caused by the switching on or off of a DC excitation); (2) the transient response, during which the circuit adjusts to the new excitation; and (3) the steady-state response following the end of the transient. The steps involved in computing the complete transient response of a first-order circuit excited by a switched DC source are outlined in the next Focus on Methodology box. You will observe that we have already explored each of the steps listed below, and that this methodology is very straightforward, provided that you correctly identify the proper segments of the response (before, during, and after the transient).



## FOCUS ON METHODOLOGY

### FIRST-ORDER TRANSIENT RESPONSE

1. Solve for the steady-state response of the circuit before the switch changes state ( $t = 0^-$ ) and after the transient has died out ( $t \rightarrow \infty$ ). We shall generally refer to these responses as  $x(0^-)$  and  $x(\infty)$ .
2. Identify the initial condition for the circuit  $x(0^+)$ , using continuity of capacitor voltages and inductor currents [ $v_C = v_C(0^-)$ ,  $i_L(0^+) = i_L(0^-)$ ], as illustrated in Section 5.3.
3. Write the differential equation of the circuit for  $t = 0^+$ , that is, immediately after the switch has changed position. The variable  $x(t)$  in the differential equation will be either a capacitor voltage  $v_C(t)$  or an inductor current  $i_L(t)$ . It is helpful at this time to reduce the circuit to Thévenin or Norton equivalent form, with the energy storage element (capacitor or inductor) treated as the load for the Thévenin (Norton) equivalent circuit. Reduce this equation to standard form (equation 5.8).
4. Solve for the time constant of the circuit:  $\tau = R_T C$  for capacitive circuits,  $\tau = L/R_T$  for inductive circuits.
5. Write the complete solution for the circuit in the form

$$x(t) = x(\infty) + [x(0) - x(\infty)]e^{-t/\tau}$$

### General Solution of First-Order Circuits

The methodology outlined in the preceding box is illustrated below for the general form of the first-order system equation (equation 5.8, repeated below for convenience),

$$\frac{a_1}{a_0} \frac{dx(t)}{dt} + x(t) = \frac{b_0}{a_0} f(t)$$

or

$$\tau \frac{dx(t)}{dt} + x(t) = K_S f(t)$$

where the constants  $\tau = a_1/a_0$  and  $K_S = b_0/a_0$  are termed the **time constant** and the **DC gain**, respectively. Consider the special case where  $f(t)$  is a DC forcing function, switched on at time  $t = 0$ . Let the initial condition of the system be  $x(t = 0) = x(0)$ . Then we seek to solve the differential equation

$$\tau \frac{dx(t)}{dt} + x(t) = K_S F \quad t \geq 0 \quad (5.25)$$

As you may recall from an earlier course in differential equations, this solution consists of two parts: the **natural response** (or **homogeneous solution**), with the forcing function set equal to zero, and the **forced response** (or **particular solution**), in which we consider the response to the forcing function. The **complete response** then



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The flow rate stored is related to the rate of change of the fluid volume contained in the tank (the tank stores potential energy in the mass of the fluid):

$$q_{\text{stored}} = A \frac{dh}{dt}$$

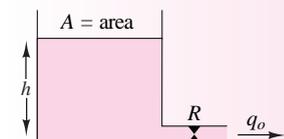
Thus, we can describe the emptying of the tank by means of the first-order linear ordinary differential equation

$$\begin{aligned} 0 - q_{\text{out}} &= q_{\text{stored}} \\ \Rightarrow -\frac{\rho g h}{R} &= A \frac{dh}{dt} \\ \frac{RA}{\rho g} \frac{dh}{dt} + h &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow \tau \frac{dh}{dt} + h &= 0 \\ \tau &= \frac{RA}{\rho g} \end{aligned}$$

We know from the content of the present section that the solution of the first-order equation with zero input and initial condition  $h_0$  is

$$h(t) = h_0 e^{-t/\tau}$$

Thus, the tank will empty exponentially, with time constant determined by the fluid properties, that is, by the resistance of the valve and by the area of the tank.



**Figure 5.14** Analogy between electrical and fluid capacitance

consists of the sum of the natural and forced responses. Once the form of the complete response is known, the initial condition can be applied to obtain the final solution.

### Natural Response

The natural response is found by setting the excitation equal to zero. Thus, we solve the equation

$$\tau \frac{dx_N(t)}{dt} + x_N(t) = 0$$

or (5.26)

$$\frac{dx_N(t)}{dt} = -\frac{x_N(t)}{\tau}$$

Where we use the notation  $x_N(t)$  to denote the natural response. The solution of this equation is known to be of exponential form:



$$x_N(t) = \alpha e^{-t/\tau} \quad \text{Natural response} \quad (5.27)$$

The constant  $\alpha$  in equation 5.27 depends on the initial condition, and can only be evaluated once the complete response has been determined. If the system does not have an external forcing function, then the natural response is equal to the complete response, and the constant  $\alpha$  is equal to the initial condition  $\alpha = x(0)$ . The Make the Connection sidebar “Hydraulic Tank” illustrates this case intuitively by considering a fluid tank emptying through an orifice. You can see that in the case of the tank, once the valve (with flow resistance  $R$ ) is open, the liquid drains at an exponential rate, starting from the initial liquid level  $h_0$ , and with a time constant  $\tau$  determined by the physical properties of the system. You should confirm the fact that if the resistance of the valve is decreased (i.e., liquid can drain out more easily), the time constant will become smaller, indicating that the tank will empty more quickly. The concept of time constant is further explored in Example 5.6.



### EXAMPLE 5.6 First-Order Systems and Time Constants

#### Problem

Create a table illustrating the exponential decay of a voltage or current in a first-order circuit versus the number of time constants.

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Exponential decay equation.

**Find:** Amplitude of voltage or current  $x(t)$  at  $t = 0, \tau, 2\tau, 3\tau, 4\tau, 5\tau$ .

**Assumptions:** The initial condition at  $t = 0$  is  $x(0) = X_0$ .

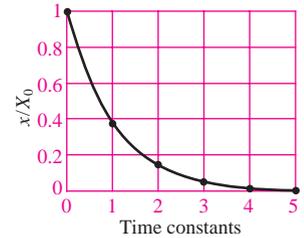
**Analysis:** We know that the exponential decay of  $x(t)$  is governed by the equation

$$x(t) = X_0 e^{-t/\tau}$$

Thus, we can create the following table for the ratio  $x(t)/X_0 = e^{-n\tau/\tau}$ ,  $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ , at each value of  $t$ :

$\frac{x(t)}{X_0}$	$n$
1	0
0.3679	1
0.1353	2
0.0498	3
0.0183	4
0.0067	5

Figure 5.15 depicts the five points on the exponential decay curve.



**Figure 5.15** First-order exponential decay and time constants

**Comments:** Note that after three time constants,  $x$  has decayed to approximately 5 percent of the initial value, and after five time constants to less than 1 percent.

### CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Find the time  $t_{50\%}$  when  $x(t)$  has decayed to exactly one-half of the initial value  $X_0$ .

Answer:  $t_{50\%} = 0.693\tau$

### Forced Response

For the case of interest to us in this chapter, the forced response of the system is the solution to the equation

$$\tau \frac{dx_F(t)}{dt} + x_F(t) = K_S F \quad t \geq 0 \tag{5.28}$$

in which the forcing function  $F$  is equal to a constant for  $t = 0$ . For this special case, the solution can be found very easily, since the derivative term becomes zero in response to a constant excitation; thus, the forced response is found as follows:

$$x_F(t) = K_S F \quad t \geq 0 \quad \text{Forced response} \tag{5.29}$$



Note that this is exactly the **DC steady-state solution** described in Section 5.4! We already knew how to find the forced response of any *RLC* circuit when the excitation is a switched DC source. Further, we recognize that the two solutions are identical by writing

$$x_F(t) = x(\infty) = K_S F \quad t \geq 0 \tag{5.29}$$

### Complete Response

The complete response can now be calculated as the sum of the two responses:

$$x(t) = x_N(t) + x_F(t) = \alpha e^{-t/\tau} + K_S F = \alpha e^{-t/\tau} + x(\infty) \quad t \geq 0 \tag{5.30}$$



## MAKE THE CONNECTION

### First-Order Thermal System

An automotive transmission generates heat, when engaged, at the rate  $q_{in} = 2,000$  J/s. The thermal capacitance of the transmission is  $C_t = mc = 12$  kJ/°C. The effective convection resistance through which heat is dissipated is  $R_t = 0.2$ °C/W.

1. What is the steady-state temperature the transmission will reach when the initial (ambient) temperature is 5°C?

With reference to the Make the Connection sidebar on thermal capacitance, we write the differential equation based on energy balance:

$$R_t C_t \frac{dT}{dt} + T = R_t q_{in}$$

At steady state, the rate of change of temperature is zero, hence,  $T(\infty) = R_t q_{in}$ . Using the numbers given,  $T(\infty) = 0.04 \times 2,000 = 80$ °C.

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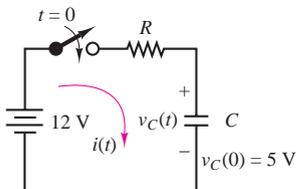


Figure 5.17

To solve for the unknown constant  $\alpha$ , we apply the initial condition  $x(t = 0) = x(0)$ :

$$\begin{aligned} x(t = 0) &= x(0) = \alpha + x(\infty) \\ \alpha &= x(0) - x(\infty) \end{aligned} \quad (5.31)$$

so that we can finally write the complete response:

$$x(t) = [x(0) - x(\infty)] e^{-t/\tau} + x(\infty) \quad t \geq 0 \quad \text{Complete response} \quad (5.32)$$



Note that this equation is in the same form as that given in the Focus on Methodology box. Once you have understood this brief derivation, it will be very easy to use the simple shortcut of writing the solution to a first-order circuit by going through the simple steps of determining the initial and final conditions and the time constant of the circuit. This methodology is illustrated in the remainder of this section by a number of examples.

### EXAMPLE 5.7 Complete Solution of First-Order Circuit

#### Problem

Determine an expression for the capacitor voltage in the circuit of Figure 5.17.

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Initial capacitor voltage; battery voltage, resistor and capacitor values.

**Find:** Capacitor voltage as a function of time  $v_C(t)$  for all  $t$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $v_C(t = 0^-) = 5$  V;  $R = 1$  k $\Omega$ ;  $C = 470$   $\mu$ F;  $V_B = 12$  V. Figures 5.17 and 5.18.

**Assumptions:** None.

#### Analysis:

**Step 1: Steady-state response.** We first observe that the capacitor had previously been charged to an initial voltage of 5 V. Thus,

$$v_C(t) = 5 \text{ V} \quad t < 0 \quad \text{and} \quad v_C(0^-) = 5 \text{ V}$$

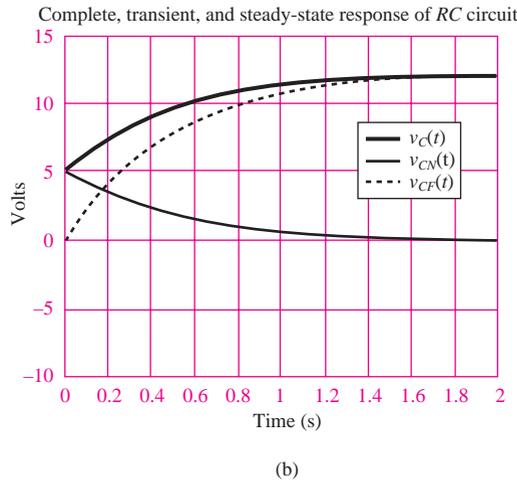
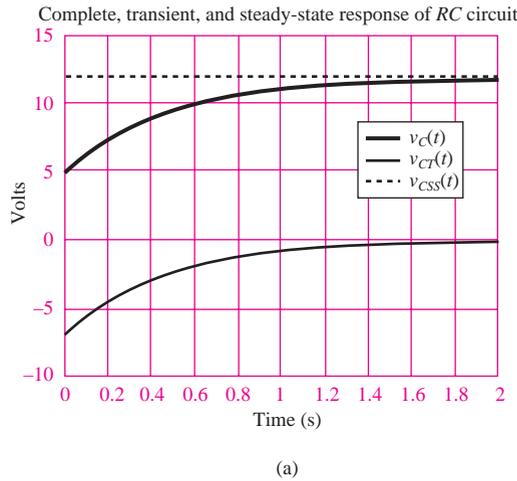
When the switch has been closed for a long time, the capacitor current becomes zero (see equation 5.20); alternatively, we can replace the capacitor by an open circuit. In either case, the fact that the current in a simple series circuit must become zero after a suitably long time tells us that

$$v_C(\infty) = V_B = 12 \text{ V}$$

**Step 2: Initial condition.** We can determine the initial condition for the variable  $v_C(t)$  by virtue of the continuity of capacitor voltage (equation 5.22):

$$v_C(0^+) = v_C(0^-) = 5 \text{ V}$$





**Figure 5.18** (a) Complete, transient, and steady-state responses of the circuit of Figure 5.17; (b) complete, natural, and forced responses of the circuit of Figure 5.17.

**Step 3: Writing the differential equation.** At  $t = 0$  the switch closes, and the circuit is described by the following differential equation, obtained by application of KVL:

$$V_B - Ri_C(t) - v_C(t) = V_B - RC \frac{dv_C(t)}{dt} - v_C(t) = 0 \quad t > 0$$

$$RC \frac{dv_C(t)}{dt} + v_C(t) = V_B \quad t > 0$$

**Step 4: Time constant.** In the above equation we recognize the following variables, with reference to equation 5.22:

$$x = V_C \quad \tau = RC \quad K_S = 1 \quad f(t) = V_B \quad t > 0$$

**Step 5: Complete solution.** From the Focus on Methodology box, we know that the solution is of the form

$$x(t) = x(\infty) + [x(0) - x(\infty)]e^{-t/\tau}$$



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- How long will it take the transmission to reach 90 percent of the final temperature?

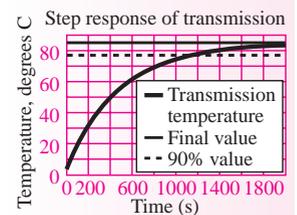
The general form of the solution is

$$\begin{aligned} T(t) &= [T(0) - T(\infty)]e^{-t/\tau} + T(\infty) \\ &= T(0) + T(\infty) \times (1 - e^{-t/\tau}) \\ &= 5 + 80(1 - e^{-t/\tau}) \end{aligned}$$

thus, the transmission temperature starts out at  $5^\circ\text{C}$ , and increases to its final value of  $85^\circ\text{C}$ , as shown in the plot of Figure 5.16.

Given the final value of  $85^\circ\text{C}$ , we calculate 90 percent of the final temperature to be  $76.5^\circ\text{C}$ . To determine the time required to reach this temperature, we solve the following equation for the argument  $t$ :

$$\begin{aligned} T(t_{90\%}) &= 76.5 \\ &= 5 + 80(1 - e^{-t_{90\%}/\tau}) \\ \frac{71.5}{80} &= 1 - e^{-t_{90\%}/\tau} \\ 0.10625 &= e^{-t_{90\%}/\tau} \Rightarrow \\ t_{90\%} &= 2.24\tau = 1,076 \text{ s} \\ &= 17.9 \text{ min} \end{aligned}$$



**Figure 5.16** Temperature response of automotive transmission

Substituting the appropriate variables, we can write

$$v_C(t) = v_C(\infty) + [v_C(0) - v_C(\infty)]e^{-t/RC} \quad t \geq 0$$

$$v_C(t) = 12 + (5 - 12)e^{-t/0.47} = v_{CSS}(t) + v_{CT}(t)$$

with

$$v_{CSS}(t) = 12 \text{ V} \quad \text{Steady-state response}$$

$$v_{CT}(t) = (5 - 12)e^{-t/0.47} \text{ V} \quad \text{Transient response}$$

Alternatively, we can combine the different terms of the response in the following form:

$$v_C(t) = 5e^{-t/0.47} + 12(1 - e^{-t/0.47}) = v_{CN}(t) + v_{CF}(t)$$

with

$$v_{CN}(t) = 5e^{-t/0.47} \text{ V} \quad \text{Natural response}$$

$$v_{CF}(t) = 12(1 - e^{-t/0.47}) \text{ V} \quad \text{Forced response}$$

You can see that we can divide the response into two parts either in the form of *steady-state* and *transient response*, or in the form of *natural* and *forced response*. The former is the one more commonly encountered in circuit analysis (and which is used dominantly in this book); the latter is the description usually found in mathematical analyses of differential equations. The complete response described by the above equations is shown graphically in Figure 5.18; part (a) depicts the steady-state and transient components, while part (b) shows the natural and forced responses. Of course, the complete response is the same in both cases.

**Comments:** Note how in Figure 5.18(a) the *steady-state response*  $v_{CSS}(t)$  is simply equal to the battery voltage, while the transient response  $v_{CT}(t)$  rises from  $-7$  to  $0$  V exponentially. In Figure 5.18(b), on the other hand, we can see that the energy initially stored in the capacitor decays to zero via its *natural response*  $v_{CN}(t)$ , while the external forcing function causes the capacitor voltage to rise exponentially to  $12$  V, as shown in the forced response  $v_{CF}(t)$ . The example just completed, though based on a very simple circuit, illustrates all the steps required to complete the solution of a first-order circuit.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

What happens if the initial condition (capacitor voltage for  $t < 0$ ) is zero?

Answer: The complete solution is equal to the forced solution.

## Energy Storage in Capacitors and Inductors

It is appropriate at this time to recall that capacitors and inductors are energy storage elements. Consider, first, a capacitor, which accumulates charge according to the relationship  $Q = CV$ . The charge accumulated in the capacitor leads to the storage

of energy according to the following equation:

$$W_C = \frac{1}{2} C v_C^2(t) \quad \text{Energy stored in a capacitor} \quad (5.33)$$

To understand the role of stored energy, consider, as an illustration, the simple circuit of Figure 5.19, where a capacitor is shown to have been connected to a battery  $V_B$  for a long time. The capacitor voltage is therefore equal to the battery voltage:  $v_C(t) = V_B$ . The charge stored in the capacitor (and the corresponding energy) can be directly determined by using equation 5.33. Suppose, next, that at  $t = 0$  the capacitor is disconnected from the battery and connected to a resistor, as shown by the action of the switches in Figure 5.19. The resulting circuit would be governed by the  $RC$  differential equation described earlier, subject to the initial condition  $v_C(t = 0) = V_B$ . Thus, according to the results of Section 5.4, the capacitor voltage would decay exponentially according to the following equation:

$$v_C(t) = V_B e^{-t/RC} \quad (5.34)$$

Physically, this exponential decay signifies that the energy stored in the capacitor at  $t = 0$  is dissipated by the resistor at a rate determined by the time constant of the circuit  $\tau = RC$ . Intuitively, the existence of a closed-circuit path allows for the flow of a current, thus draining the capacitor of its charge. All the energy initially stored in the capacitor is eventually dissipated by the resistor.

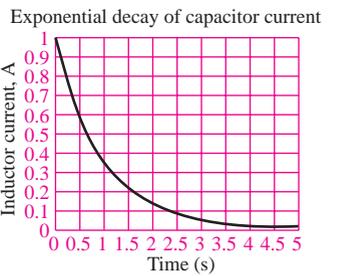
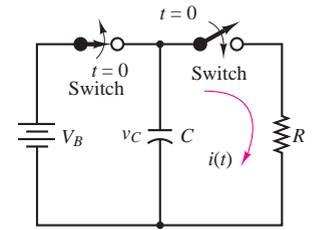
A very analogous reasoning process explains the behavior of an inductor. Recall that an inductor stores energy according to the expression

$$W_L = \frac{1}{2} L i_L^2(t) \quad \text{Energy stored in an inductor} \quad (5.35)$$

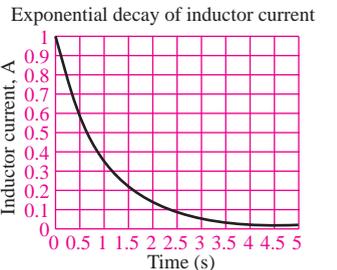
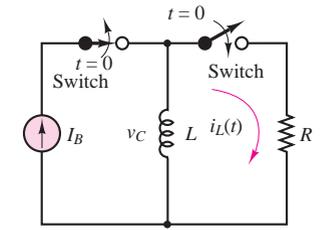
Thus, in an inductor, energy storage is associated with the flow of a current (note the dual relationship between  $i_L$  and  $v_C$ ). Consider the circuit of Figure 5.20, which is similar to that of Figure 5.19 except that the battery has been replaced with a current source and the capacitor with an inductor. For  $t < 0$ , the source current  $I_B$  flows through the inductor, and energy is thus stored; at  $t = 0$ , the inductor current is equal to  $I_B$ . At this point, the current source is disconnected by means of the left-hand switch, and a resistor is simultaneously connected to the inductor, to form a closed circuit.<sup>1</sup> The inductor current will now continue to flow through the resistor, which dissipates the energy stored in the inductor. By the reasoning in the preceding discussion, the inductor current will decay exponentially:

$$i_L(t) = I_B e^{-tR/L} \quad (5.36)$$

<sup>1</sup>Note that in theory an ideal current source cannot be connected in series with a switch. For the purpose of this hypothetical illustration, imagine that upon opening the right-hand side switch, the current source is instantaneously connected to another load, not shown.



**Figure 5.19** Decay through a resistor of energy stored in a capacitor



**Figure 5.20** Decay through a resistor of energy stored in an inductor

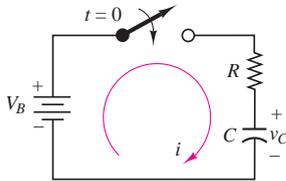
That is, the inductor current will decay exponentially from its initial condition, with a time constant  $\tau = L/R$ . Example 5.8 further illustrates the significance of the time constant in a first-order circuit.



### EXAMPLE 5.8 Charging a Camera Flash—Time Constants

#### Problem

A capacitor is used to store energy in a camera flash light. The camera operates on a 6-V battery. Determine the time required for the energy stored to reach 90 percent of the maximum. Compute this time in seconds and as a multiple of the time constant. The equivalent circuit is shown in Figure 5.21.



**Figure 5.21** Equivalent circuit of camera flash charging circuit

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Battery voltage; capacitor and resistor values.

**Find:** Time required to reach 90 percent of the total energy storage.

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $V_B = 6 \text{ V}$ ;  $C = 1,000 \mu\text{F}$ ;  $R = 1 \text{ k}\Omega$ .

**Assumptions:** Charging starts at  $t = 0$ , when the flash switch is turned on. The capacitor is completely discharged at the start.

**Analysis:** First, we compute the total energy that can be stored in the capacitor:

$$E_{\text{total}} = \frac{1}{2} C v_C^2 = \frac{1}{2} C V_B^2 = 18 \times 10^{-3} \text{ J}$$

Thus, 90 percent of the total energy will be reached when  $E_{\text{total}} = 0.9 \times 18 \times 10^{-3} = 16.2 \times 10^{-3} \text{ J}$ . This corresponds to a voltage calculated from

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} C v_C^2 &= 16.2 \times 10^{-3} \\ v_C &= \sqrt{\frac{2 \times 16.2 \times 10^{-3}}{C}} = 5.692 \text{ V} \end{aligned}$$

Next, we determine the time constant of the circuit:  $\tau = RC = 10^{-3} \times 10^3 = 1 \text{ s}$ ; and we observe that the capacitor will charge exponentially according to the expression

$$v_C = 6(1 - e^{-t/\tau}) = 6(1 - e^{-t})$$

Note that the expression for  $v_C(t)$  is equal to the forced response, since the natural response is equal to zero (see Example 5.7) when the initial condition in  $v_C(0) = 0$ . To compute the time required to reach 90 percent of the energy, we must therefore solve for  $t$  in the equation

$$\begin{aligned} v_{C-90\%} &= 5.692 = 6(1 - e^{-t}) \\ 0.949 &= 1 - e^{-t} \\ 0.051 &= e^{-t} \\ t &= -\ln 0.051 = 2.97 \text{ s} \end{aligned}$$

The result corresponds to a charging time of approximately 3 time constants.

**Comments:** This example demonstrates the physical connection between the time constant of a first-order circuit and a practical device. If you wish to practice some of the calculations related to time constants, you might calculate the number of time constants required to reach 95 and 99 percent of the total energy stored in a capacitor.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

If we wished to double the amount of energy stored in the capacitor, how would the charging time change?

Answer: It would also double, as  $C$  would be twice as large, thus doubling  $\tau$ .

## EXAMPLE 5.9 Starting Transient of DC Motor



### Problem

An approximate circuit representation of a DC motor consists of a series  $RL$  circuit, shown in Figure 5.22. Apply the first-order circuit solution methodology just described to this approximate DC motor equivalent circuit to determine the transient current.

### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Initial motor current; battery voltage; resistor and inductor values.

**Find:** Inductor current as a function of time  $i_L(t)$  for all  $t$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $R = 4 \Omega$ ;  $L = 0.1 \text{ H}$ ;  $V_B = 50 \text{ V}$ .  
Figure 5.22.

**Assumptions:** None.

**Analysis:**

**Step 1: Steady-state response.** The inductor current prior to the closing of the switch must be zero; thus,

$$i_L(t) = 0 \text{ A} \quad t < 0 \quad \text{and} \quad i_L(0^-) = 0 \text{ A}$$

When the switch has been closed for a long time, the inductor current becomes a constant and can be calculated by replacing the inductor with a short circuit:

$$i_L(\infty) = \frac{V_B}{R} = \frac{50}{4} = 12.5 \text{ A}$$

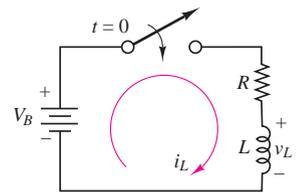
**Step 2: Initial condition.** We can determine the initial condition for the variable  $i_L(t)$  by virtue of the continuity of inductor current (equation 5.23):

$$i_L(0^+) = i_L(0^-) = 0$$

**Step 3: Writing the differential equation.** At  $t = 0$  the switch closes, and the circuit is described by the following differential equation, obtained by application of KVL:

$$V_B - Ri_L(t) - L \frac{di_L(t)}{dt} = 0 \quad t > 0$$

$$\frac{L}{R} \frac{di_L(t)}{dt} + i_L(t) = \frac{1}{R} V_B \quad t > 0$$



**Figure 5.22** Circuit for Example 5.9

**Step 4: Time constant.** In the equations listed in step 3, we recognize the following variables, with reference to equation 5.8:

$$x = i_L \quad \tau = \frac{L}{R} \quad K_S = \frac{1}{R} \quad f(t) = V_B \quad t > 0$$

**Step 5: Complete solution.** From the Focus on Methodology box, we know that the solution is of the form

$$x(t) = x(\infty) + [x(0) - x(\infty)]e^{-t/\tau}$$

Substituting the appropriate variables, we can write

$$\begin{aligned} i_L(t) &= i_L(\infty) + [i_L(0) - i_L(\infty)]e^{-Rt/L} \quad t \geq 0 \\ &= 12.5 + (0 - 12.5)e^{-t/0.025} = i_{LSS}(t) + i_{LT}(t) \end{aligned}$$

with

$$i_{LSS}(t) = 12.5 \text{ A} \quad \text{Steady-state response}$$

$$i_{LT}(t) = (-12.5)e^{-t/0.025} \text{ A} \quad \text{Transient response}$$

Alternatively, we can combine the different terms of the response in the following form:

$$i_L(t) = 0 + 12.5(1 - e^{-t/0.025}) = i_{LN}(t) + i_{LF}(t) \quad t \geq 0$$

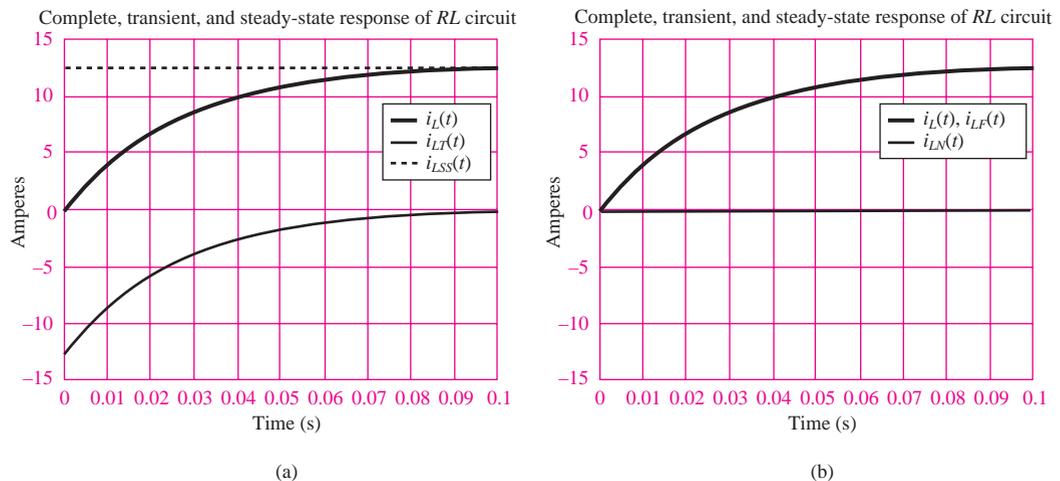
with

$$i_{LN}(t) = 0 \text{ A} \quad \text{Natural response}$$

$$i_{LF}(t) = 12.5(1 - e^{-t/0.025}) \text{ A} \quad \text{Forced response}$$

The complete response described by the above equations is shown graphically in Figure 5.23.

**Comments:** Note that in practice it is not a good idea to place a switch in series with an inductor. As the switch opens, the inductor current is forced to change instantaneously, with



**Figure 5.23** Transient response of electric motor: (a) steady-state and transient responses; (b) natural and forced responses

the result that  $di_L/dt$ , and therefore  $v_L(t)$ , approaches infinity. The large voltage transient resulting from this *inductive kick* can damage circuit components.

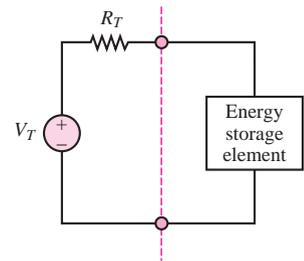
In the preceding examples we have seen how to systematically determine the solution of first-order circuits. The solution methodology was applied to two simple cases, but it applies in general to any first-order circuit, providing that one is careful to identify a Thévenin (or Norton) equivalent circuit, determined with respect to the energy storage element (i.e., treating the energy storage element as the load). Thus the equivalent-circuit methodology for resistive circuits presented in Chapter 3 applies to transient circuits as well. Figure 5.24 depicts the general appearance of a first-order circuit once the resistive part of the circuit has been reduced to Thévenin equivalent form.

An important comment must be made before we demonstrate the equivalent-circuit approach to more complex circuit topologies. Since the circuits that are the subject of the present discussion usually contain a switch, one must be careful to determine the equivalent circuits *before and after the switch changes position*. In other words, it is possible that the equivalent circuit seen by the load before activating the switch is different from the circuit seen after the switch changes position.

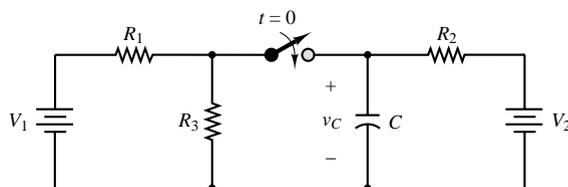
To illustrate the procedure, consider the  $RC$  circuit of Figure 5.25. The objective is to determine the capacitor voltage for all time. The switch closes at  $t = 0$ . For  $t < 0$ , we recognize that the capacitor has been connected to the battery  $V_2$  through resistor  $R_2$ . This circuit is already in Thévenin equivalent form, and we know that the capacitor must have charged to the battery voltage  $V_2$ , provided that the switch has been closed for a sufficient time (we shall assume so). Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} v_C(t) &= V_2 & t \leq 0 \\ V_C(0^-) &= V_C(0^+) = V_2 \end{aligned} \quad (5.37)$$

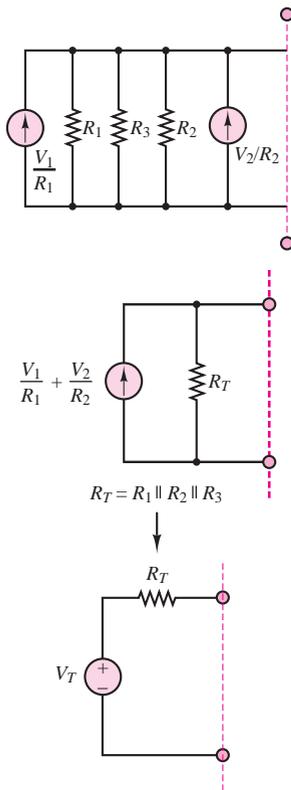
After the switch closes, the circuit on the left-hand side of Figure 5.25 must be accounted for. Figure 5.26 depicts the new arrangement, in which we have moved the capacitor to the far right-hand side, in preparation for the evaluation of the equivalent circuit. Using the Thévenin-to-Norton source transformation technique (introduced in Chapter 3), we next obtain the circuit at the top of Figure 5.27, which can be easily reduced by adding the two current sources and computing the equivalent parallel resistance of  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ , and  $R_3$ . The last step illustrated in the figure is the conversion to Thévenin form. Figure 5.28 depicts the final appearance of the equivalent circuit for  $t \geq 0$ .



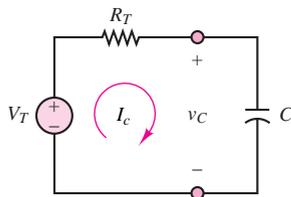
**Figure 5.24** Equivalent-circuit representation of first-order circuits



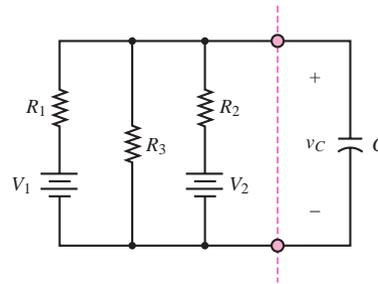
**Figure 5.25** A more involved  $RC$  circuit



**Figure 5.27** Reduction of the circuit of Figure 5.26 to Thévenin equivalent form



**Figure 5.28** The circuit of Figure 5.25 in equivalent form for  $t \geq 0$



**Figure 5.26** The circuit of Figure 5.22 for  $t \geq 0$

When the switch has been closed for a long time, the capacitor sees the Thévenin equivalent circuit computed in Figures 5.27 and 5.28. Thus, when the capacitor is replaced with an open circuit,  $v_C(\infty) = V_T$ . Further, we can determine the initial condition for the variable  $v_C(t)$  by virtue of the continuity of capacitor voltage (equation 5.22):  $v_C(0^+) = v_C(0^-) = V_2$ . At  $t = 0$  the switch closes, and the circuit is described by the following differential equation, obtained by application of KVL for the circuit of Figure 5.28:

$$V_T - R_T i_C(t) - v_C(t) = V_T - R_T C \frac{dv_C(t)}{dt} - v_C(t) = 0 \quad t > 0$$

$$R_T C \frac{dv_C(t)}{dt} + v_C(t) = V_T \quad t > 0$$

with

$$R_T = R_1 || R_2 || R_3$$

$$V_T = R_T \left( \frac{V_1}{R_1} + \frac{V_2}{R_2} \right)$$

In the above equation we recognize, with reference to equation 5.25, the following variables and parameters:  $x = v_C$ ;  $\tau = R_T C$ ;  $K_S = 1$ ;  $f(t) = V_T$  for  $t > 0$ . And we can write the complete solution

$$v_C(t) = v_C(\infty) + [v_C(0) - v_C(\infty)]e^{-t/\tau} \quad t \geq 0$$

$$v_C(t) = V_T + (V_2 - V_T)e^{-t/R_T C}$$

The use of Thévenin equivalent circuits to obtain transient responses is emphasized in the next few examples.



### EXAMPLE 5.10 Use of Thévenin Equivalent Circuits in Solving First-Order Transients

#### Problem

The circuit of Figure 5.29 includes a switch that can be used to connect and disconnect a battery. The switch has been open for a very long time. At  $t = 0$  the switch closes, and then at  $t = 50$  ms the switch opens again. Determine the capacitor voltage as a function of time.

**Solution**

**Known Quantities:** Battery voltage; resistor and capacitor values.

**Find:** Capacitor voltage as a function of time  $v_C(t)$  for all  $t$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $R_1 = R_2 = 1,000 \Omega$ ,  $R_3 = 500 \Omega$ , and  $C = 25 \mu\text{F}$ . Figure 5.29.

**Assumptions:** None.

**Analysis:**

**Part 1—**  $0 \leq t < 50 \text{ ms}$

**Step 1: Steady-state response.** We first observe that any charge stored in the capacitor has had a discharge path through resistors  $R_3$  and  $R_2$ . Thus, the capacitor must be completely discharged. Hence,

$$v_C(t) = 0 \text{ V} \quad t < 0 \quad \text{and} \quad v_C(0^-) = 0 \text{ V}$$

To determine the steady-state response, we look at the circuit a long time after the switch has been closed. At steady state, the capacitor behaves as an open circuit, and we can calculate the equivalent open circuit (Thévenin) voltage and equivalent resistance to be

$$\begin{aligned} v_C(\infty) &= V_B \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} \\ &= 7.5 \text{ V} \end{aligned}$$

$$R_T = R_3 + R_1 \parallel R_2 = 1 \text{ k}\Omega$$

**Step 2: Initial condition.** We can determine the initial condition for the variable  $v_C(t)$  by virtue of the continuity of capacitor voltage (equation 5.25):

$$v_C(0^+) = v_C(0^-) = 0 \text{ V}$$

**Step 3: Writing the differential equation.** To write the differential equation, we use the Thévenin equivalent circuit for  $t \geq 0$ , with  $V_T = v_C(\infty)$ , and we write the resulting differential equation

$$V_T - R_T i_C(t) - v_C(t) = V_T - R_T C \frac{dv_C(t)}{dt} - v_C(t) = 0 \quad 0 \leq t < 50 \text{ ms}$$

$$R_T C \frac{dv_C(t)}{dt} + v_C(t) = V_T \quad 0 \leq t < 50 \text{ ms}$$

**Step 4: Time constant.** In the above equation we recognize, with reference to equation 5.22, the following variables and parameters:

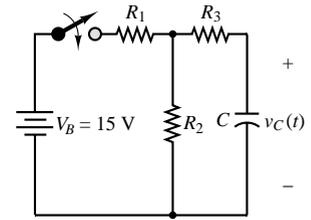
$$x = v_C; \quad \tau = R_T C = 0.025 \text{ s}; \quad K_S = 1;$$

$$f(t) = V_T = 7.5 \text{ V} \quad 0 \leq t < 50 \text{ ms}$$

**Step 5: Complete solution.** The complete solution is

$$v_C(t) = v_C(\infty) + [v_C(0) - v_C(\infty)]e^{-t/\tau} \quad 0 \leq t < 50 \text{ ms}$$

$$v_C(t) = V_T + (0 - V_T)e^{-t/R_T C} = 7.5(1 - e^{-t/0.025}) \text{ V} \quad 0 \leq t < 50 \text{ ms}$$



**Figure 5.29** Circuit for Example 5.10

**Part 2—**  $t \geq 50$  ms

As mentioned in the problem statement, at  $t = 50$  ms the switch opens again, and the capacitor now discharges through the series combination of resistors  $R_3$  and  $R_2$ . Since there is no external forcing function once the switch is opened, this problem only involves determining the natural response of the circuit. Recall that the natural response is of the form  $x_N(t) = \alpha e^{-t/\tau}$  (see equation 5.27). We note two important facts:

1. The constant  $\alpha$  is the initial condition *at the time when the switch is opened*, since that represents the actual value of the voltage across the capacitor from which the exponential decay will begin.
2. The time constant of the decay is now the time constant of the circuit with the switch open, that is,  $\tau = (R_2 + R_3)C = 0.0375$  s.

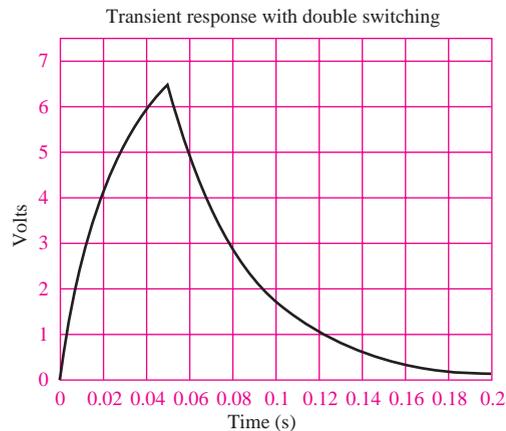
To determine  $\alpha$ , we must calculate the value of the capacitor voltage at the time when the switch is opened:

$$\alpha = v_C(t = 50 \text{ ms}) = 7.5(1 - e^{-0.05/0.025}) = 6.485 \text{ V}$$

Thus, we can write the capacitor voltage response for  $t \geq 50$  ms as follows:

$$v_C(t) = 6.485e^{-(t-0.05)/0.0375}$$

The composite response is plotted below.



**Comments:** Note that the two parts of the response are based on two different time constants, and that the rising portion of the response changes faster (shorter time constant) than the decaying part.

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### CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

What will the initial condition for the exponential decay be if the switch opens at  $t = 100$  ms?

Answer: 7.363 V

### EXAMPLE 5.11 Turn-Off Transient of DC Motor



#### Problem

Determine the motor voltage for all time in the simplified electric motor circuit model shown in Figure 5.30. The motor is represented by the series  $RL$  circuit in the shaded box.

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Battery voltage, resistor, and inductor values.

**Find:** The voltage across the motor as a function of time.

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $R_B = 2\ \Omega$ ;  $R_S = 20\ \Omega$ ;  $R_m = 0.8\ \Omega$ ;  $L = 3\ \text{H}$ ;  $V_B = 100\ \text{V}$ .

**Assumptions:** The switch has been closed for a long time.

**Analysis:** With the switch closed for a long time, the inductor in the circuit of Figure 5.30 behaves as a short circuit. The current through the motor can then be calculated by the current divider rule in the modified circuit of Figure 5.31, where the inductor has been replaced with a short circuit and the Thévenin circuit on the left has been replaced by its Norton equivalent:

$$\begin{aligned} i_m &= \frac{1/R_m}{1/R_B + 1/R_S + 1/R_m} \frac{V_B}{R_B} \\ &= \frac{1/0.8}{1/2 + 1/20 + 1/0.8} \frac{100}{2} = 34.72\ \text{A} \end{aligned}$$

This current is the initial condition for the inductor current:  $i_L(0) = 34.72\ \text{A}$ . Since the motor inductance is effectively a short circuit, the motor voltage for  $t < 0$  is equal to

$$v_m(t) = i_m R_m = 27.8\ \text{V} \quad t < 0$$

When the switch opens and the motor voltage supply is turned off, the motor sees only the *shunt* (parallel) resistance  $R_S$ , as depicted in Figure 5.32. Remember now that the inductor current cannot change instantaneously; thus, the motor (inductor) current  $i_m$  must continue to flow in the same direction. Since all that is left is a series  $RL$  circuit, with resistance  $R = R_S + R_m = 20.8\ \Omega$ , the inductor current will decay exponentially with time constant  $\tau = L/R = 0.1442\ \text{s}$ :

$$i_L(t) = i_m(t) = i_L(0)e^{-t/\tau} = 34.7e^{-t/0.1442} \quad t > 0$$

The motor voltage is then computed by adding the voltage drop across the motor resistance and inductance:

$$\begin{aligned} v_m(t) &= R_m i_L(t) + L \frac{di_L(t)}{dt} \\ &= 0.8 \times 34.7e^{-t/0.1442} + 3 \left( -\frac{34.7}{0.1442} \right) e^{-t/0.1442} \quad t > 0 \\ &= -694.1e^{-t/0.1442} \quad t > 0 \end{aligned}$$

The motor voltage is plotted in Figure 5.33.

**Comments:** Notice how the motor voltage rapidly changes from the steady-state value of 27.8 V for  $t < 0$  to a large negative value due to the turn-off transient. This *inductive kick* is typical of  $RL$  circuits, and results from the fact that although the inductor current cannot change instantaneously, the inductor voltage can and does, as it is proportional to the derivative

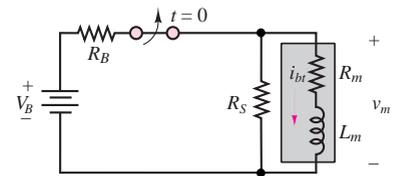


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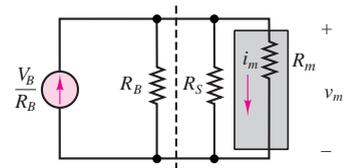


Figure 5.31

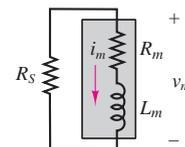
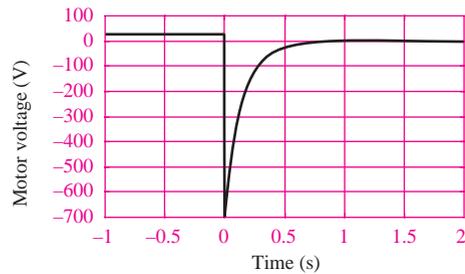


Figure 5.32



**Figure 5.33** Motor voltage transient response

of  $i_L$ . This example is based on a simplified representation of an electric motor, but illustrates effectively the need for special starting and stopping circuits in electric motors.

### EXAMPLE 5.12 Transient Response of Supercapacitors

#### Problem

An industrial, uninterruptible power supply (UPS) is intended to provide continuous power during unexpected power outages. Ultracapacitors can store a significant amount of energy and release it during transient power outages to ensure delicate or critical electrical/electronic systems. Assume that we wish to design a UPS that is required to make up for a temporary power glitch in a permanent power supply for 5 s. The system that is supported by this UPS operates at a nominal voltage of 50 V and has a maximum nominal voltage of 60 V, but can function with a supply voltage as low as 25 V. Design a UPS by determining the suitable number of series and parallel elements required.

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Maximum, nominal, and minimum voltage; power rating and time requirements; ultracapacitor data (see Example 4.1).

**Find:** Number of series and parallel ultracapacitor cells needed to satisfy the specifications.

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:** Figure 5.34. Capacitance of one cell:  $C_{\text{cell}} = 100 \text{ F}$ ; resistance of one cell:  $R_{\text{cell}} = 15 \text{ m}\Omega$ ; nominal cell voltage  $V_{\text{cell}} = 2.5 \text{ V}$ . (See Example 4.1.)

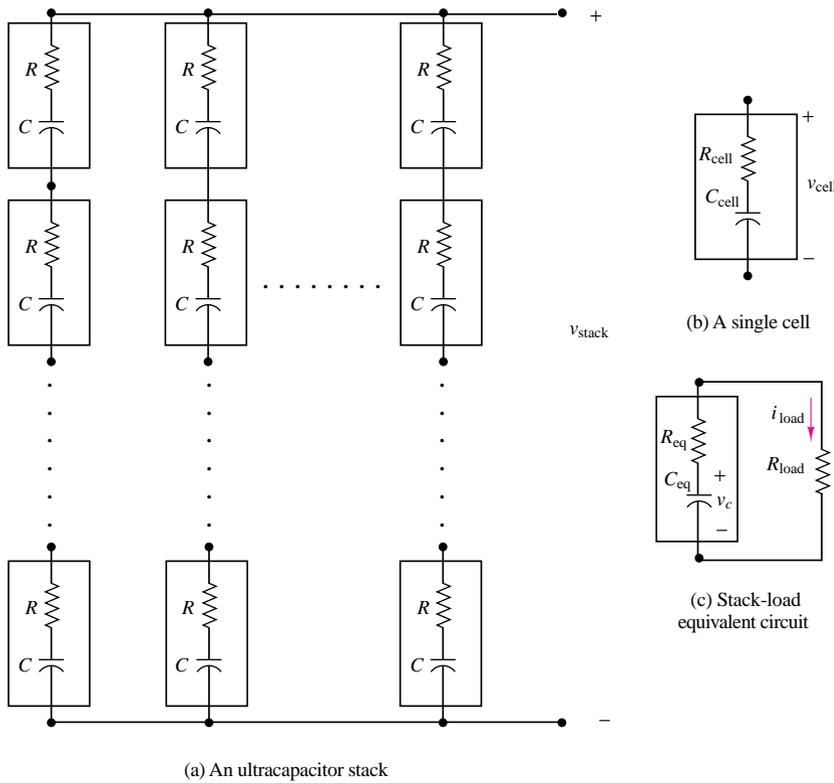
**Assumptions:** The load can be modeled as a  $0.5\text{-}\Omega$  resistance.

**Analysis:** The total capacitance of the “stack” required to satisfy the specifications is obtained by combining capacitors in series and parallel, as illustrated in Figure 5.34(a). Figure 5.34(b) depicts the electric circuit model of a single cell. First we define some of the important variables that are to be used in the problem.

The *allowable voltage drop* in the supply is  $\Delta V = 25 \text{ V}$ , since the load can operate with a supply as low as 25 V and nominally operates at 50 V.

The *time interval* over which the voltage will drop (but not below the allowable minimum of 25 V) is 5 s.

The equivalent resistance of the stack consists of  $n$  parallel strings of  $m$  resistors each; thus



**Figure 5.34**

$$R_{eq} = mR_{cell} || mR_{cell} || \dots || mR_{cell} \quad n \text{ times}$$

$$R_{eq} = \frac{m}{n} R_{cell}$$

The equivalent capacitance of the stack can similarly be calculated by recalling that capacitors in series combine as do resistors in parallel (and vice versa):

$$C_{eq} = \frac{n}{m} C_{cell}$$

Finally, given the equivalent resistance and capacitance of the stack, we can calculate the time constant to be

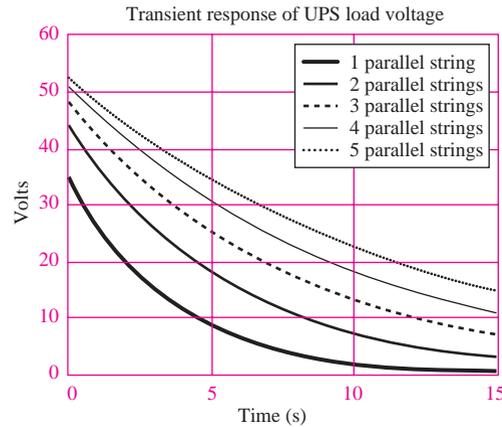
$$\tau = R_{eq} C_{eq} = \frac{m}{n} R_{cell} \frac{n}{m} C_{cell} = R_{cell} C_{cell} = 1.5 \text{ s}$$

The total number of series capacitors can be calculated from the maximum required voltage:

$$m = \frac{V_{max}}{V_{cell}} = \frac{60}{2.5} = 24 \text{ series cells}$$

We shall initially assume that  $n = 1$  and see whether the solution is acceptable. Having established the basic parameters, we now apply KCL to the equivalent circuit of Figure 5.34(c) to obtain an expression for the stack voltage. Recall that we wish to ensure that the stack voltage remains greater than the minimum allowable voltage (25 V) for at least 5 s:

$$C_{eq} \frac{dv_c(t)}{dt} + \frac{v_c(t)}{R_{eq} + R_{load}} = 0$$



**Figure 5.35** Transient response of supercapacitor circuit

The initial condition for this circuit assumes that the stack is fully charged to  $V_{\max}$ , that is,  $v_C(0^-) = v_C(0^+) = 60$  V. Since there is no external excitation, the solution to this first-order circuit consists of the natural response, with  $v_C(\infty) = 0$

$$v_C(t) = [v_C(0) - v_C(\infty)]e^{-t/\tau} + v_C(\infty) \quad t \geq 0$$

$$v_C(t) = v_C(0)e^{-t/\tau} = v_C(0)e^{-t/(R_{\text{eq}} + R_{\text{load}})C_{\text{eq}}}$$

$$= 60e^{-t/\{(m/n)R_{\text{cell}} + R_{\text{load}}\}(n/m)C_{\text{cell}}} \quad t \geq 0$$

Since we are actually interested in the load voltage, we can use a voltage divider to relate the supercapacitor voltage to the load voltage:

$$\begin{aligned} v_{\text{load}}(t) &= \frac{R_{\text{load}}}{R_{\text{eq}} + R_{\text{load}}} v_C(t) = \frac{R_{\text{load}}}{(m/n)R_{\text{cell}} + R_{\text{load}}} v_C(t) \\ &= \frac{0.5}{(m/n)(0.015) + 0.5} 60e^{-t/\{(m/n)R_{\text{cell}} + R_{\text{load}}\}(n/m)C_{\text{cell}}} \end{aligned}$$

This relationship can be used to calculate the appropriate number of parallel strings  $n$  such that the load voltage is above 25 V (the minimum allowable load voltage) at  $t = 5$  s. The solution could be obtained analytically, by substituting the known values  $m = 24$ ,  $R_{\text{load}} = 0.5$ ,  $C_{\text{cell}} = 100$  F,  $R_{\text{cell}} = 15$  m $\Omega$ ,  $t = 5$  s, and  $v_{\text{load}}(t = 5) = 25$  V and by solving for the only unknown,  $n$ . We leave this as an exercise. Figure 5.35 plots the transient response of the stack load system for  $n = 1$  to 5. You can see that for  $n = 3$  the requirement that  $v_{\text{load}} = 25$  V for at least 5 s is satisfied.

### CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Derive the result obtained in Example 5.12 analytically, by solving the transient response for the unknown value  $n$ .

## 5.5 TRANSIENT RESPONSE OF SECOND-ORDER CIRCUITS

In many practical applications, understanding the behavior of first- and second-order systems is often all that is needed to describe the response of a physical system to external excitation. In this section, we discuss the solution of the second-order differential equations that characterize  $RLC$  circuits.

### Deriving the Differential Equations for Second-Order Circuits

A simple way of introducing second-order circuits consists of replacing the box labeled “Circuit containing  $RL/RC$  combinations” in Figure 5.3 with a combination of two energy storage elements, as shown in Figure 5.36. Note that two different cases are considered, depending on whether the energy storage elements are connected in series or in parallel.

Consider the parallel case first, which has been redrawn in Figure 5.37 for clarity. Practice and experience will eventually suggest the best method for writing the circuit equations. At this point, the most sensible procedure consists of applying the basic circuit laws to the circuit of Figure 5.37. Start with KVL around the left-hand loop:

$$v_T(t) - R_T i_S(t) - v_C(t) = 0 \quad (5.38)$$

Then apply KCL to the top node, to obtain

$$i_S(t) - i_C(t) - i_L(t) = 0 \quad (5.39)$$

Further, KVL applied to the right-hand loop yields

$$v_C(t) = v_L(t) \quad (5.40)$$

It should be apparent that we have all the equations we need (in fact, more). Using the defining relationships for capacitor and inductor, we can express equation 5.39 as

$$\frac{v_T(t) - v_C(t)}{R_T} - C \frac{dv_C(t)}{dt} - i_L(t) = 0 \quad (5.41)$$

and equation 5.40 becomes

$$v_C(t) = L \frac{di_L(t)}{dt} \quad (5.42)$$

Substituting equation 5.42 in equation 5.41, we can obtain a differential circuit equation in terms of the variable  $i_L(t)$ :

$$\frac{1}{R_T} v_T(t) - \frac{L}{R_T} \frac{di_L(t)}{dt} = LC \frac{d^2 i_L(t)}{dt^2} + i_L(t) \quad (5.43)$$

or

$$LC \frac{d^2 i_L(t)}{dt^2} + \frac{L}{R_T} \frac{di_L(t)}{dt} + i_L(t) = \frac{1}{R_T} v_T \quad (5.44)$$

The solution to this differential equation (which depends, as in the case of first-order circuits, on the initial conditions and on the forcing function) completely determines the behavior of the circuit. By now, two questions should have appeared in your mind:

1. Why is the differential equation expressed in terms of  $i_L(t)$ ? [Why not  $v_C(t)$ ?]
2. Why did we not use equation 5.38 in deriving equation 5.44?

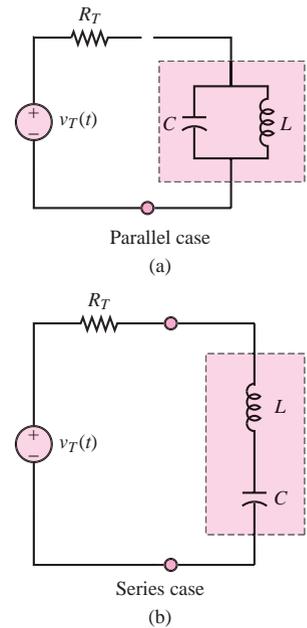


Figure 5.36 Second-order circuits

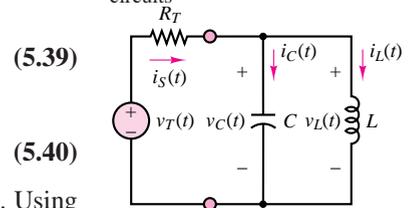


Figure 5.37 Parallel case

In response to the first question, it is instructive to note that, knowing  $i_L(t)$ , we can certainly derive any one of the voltages and currents in the circuit. For example,

$$v_C(t) = v_L(t) = L \frac{di_L(t)}{dt} \quad (5.45)$$

$$i_C(t) = C \frac{dv_C(t)}{dt} = LC \frac{d^2i_L(t)}{dt^2} \quad (5.46)$$

To answer the second question, note that equation 5.44 is not the only form the differential circuit equation can take. By using equation 5.38 in conjunction with equation 5.39, one could obtain the following equation:

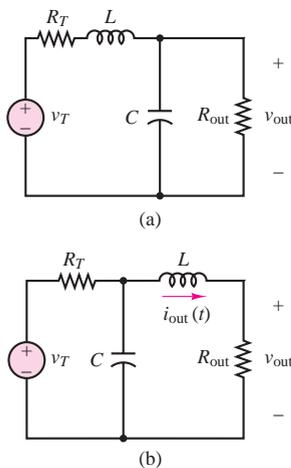
$$v_T(t) = R_T[i_C(t) + i_L(t)] + v_C(t) \quad (5.47)$$

Upon differentiating both sides of the equation and appropriately substituting from equation 5.41, the following second-order differential equation in  $v_C$  would be obtained:

$$LC \frac{d^2v_C(t)}{dt^2} + \frac{L}{R_T} \frac{dv_C(t)}{dt} + v_C(t) = \frac{L}{R_T} \frac{dv_T(t)}{dt} \quad (5.48)$$

Note that the left-hand side of the equation is identical to equation 5.44, except that  $v_C$  has been substituted for  $i_L$ . The right-hand side, however, differs substantially from equation 5.44, because the forcing function is the derivative of the equivalent voltage.

Since all the desired circuit variables may be obtained either as a function of  $i_L$  or as a function of  $v_C$ , the choice of the preferred differential equation depends on the specific circuit application, and we conclude that there is no unique method to arrive at the final equation. As a case in point, consider the two circuits depicted in Figure 5.38. If the objective of the analysis were to determine the output voltage  $v_{out}$ , then for the circuit in Figure 5.38(a), one would choose to write the differential equation in  $v_C$ , since  $v_C = v_{out}$ . In the case of Figure 5.38(b), however, the inductor current would be a better choice, since  $v_{out} = R_T i_{out}$ .



**Figure 5.38** Two second-order circuits

## Solution of Second-Order Circuits

**Second-order systems** also occur very frequently in nature, and are characterized by the ability of a system to store energy in one of two forms—potential or kinetic—and to dissipate this stored energy; second-order systems always contain two energy storage elements. Electric circuits containing two capacitors, two inductors, or one capacitor and one inductor are usually second-order systems (unless we can combine the two capacitors or inductors into a single element by virtue of a series or parallel combination, in which case the system is of first order). Earlier in this chapter we saw that second-order differential equations can be written in the form of equations 5.12 and 5.13, repeated here for convenience.

$$a_2 \frac{d^2x(t)}{dt^2} + a_1 \frac{dx(t)}{dt} + a_0x(t) = b_0f(t)$$

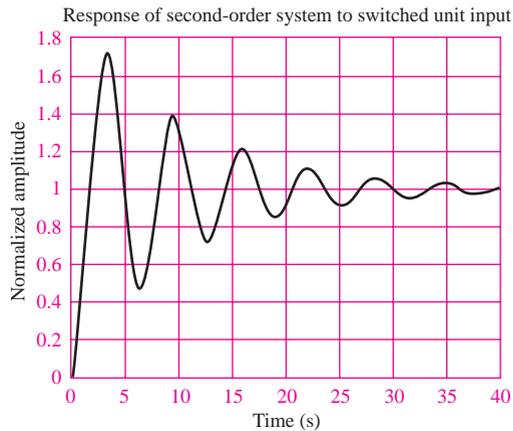


or

$$\frac{1}{\omega_n^2} \frac{d^2x(t)}{dt^2} + \frac{2\zeta}{\omega_n} \frac{dx(t)}{dt} + x(t) = K_S f(t)$$

(5.49)

In equation 5.48, the constants  $\omega_n = \sqrt{a_0/a_2}$ ,  $\zeta = (a_1/2)\sqrt{1/a_0a_2}$ , and  $K_S = b_0/a_0$  are termed the **natural frequency**, the **damping ratio**, and the **DC gain** (or **static**



**Figure 5.39** Response of switched second-order system with  $K_S = 1$ ,  $\omega_n = 1$ , and  $\zeta = 0.1$

**sensitivity**), respectively. Just as we were able to attach a very precise meaning to the constants  $\tau$  and  $K_S$  in the case of first-order circuits, the choice of constants  $\omega_n$ ,  $\zeta$ , and  $K_S$  is not arbitrary, but represents some very important characteristics of the response of second-order systems, and of second-order circuits in particular. As an illustration, let  $K_S = 1$ ,  $\omega_n = 1$ , and  $\zeta = 0.2$  in the differential equation 5.48, and let  $f(t)$  correspond to a switched input that turns on from zero to unit amplitude<sup>2</sup> at  $t = 0$ . The response is plotted in Figure 5.39.

We immediately note three important characteristics of the response of Figure 5.39:

1. The response asymptotically tends to a *final value* of 1.
2. The response *oscillates* with a period approximately equal to 6 s.
3. The oscillations *decay* (and eventually disappear) as time progresses.

Each of these three observations can be explained by one of the three parameters defined in equation 5.49:

1. The *final value* of 1 is predicted by the DC gain  $K_S = 1$ , which tells us that in the steady state (when all the derivative terms are zero)  $x(t) = f(t)$ .
2. The period of oscillation of the response is related to the natural frequency:  $\omega_n = 1$  leads to the calculation  $T = 2\pi/\omega_n = 2\pi \approx 6.28$  s. Thus, the natural frequency parameter describes the *natural frequency* of oscillation of the system.
3. Finally, the reduction in amplitude of the oscillations is governed by the damping ratio  $\zeta$ . It is not as easy to visualize the effect of the damping ratio from a single plot, so we have included the plot of Figure 5.40, illustrating how the same system is affected by changes in the damping ratio. You can see that as  $\zeta$  increases, the amplitude of the initial oscillation becomes increasingly smaller until, when  $\zeta = 1$ , the response no longer *overshoots* the final value of 1 and has a response that looks, qualitatively, like that of a first-order system.

<sup>2</sup>This input is more formally called a **unit step**, and the response deriving from it is called the **unit step response**.



## Automotive Suspension

If we analyze the mechanical system shown in Figure 5.41(a) using Newton's Second Law,  $ma = \sum F$ , we obtain the equation

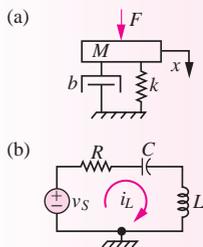
$$m \frac{d^2x(t)}{dt^2} = F(t) - b \frac{dx(t)}{dt} - kx(t)$$

Comparing this equation with equation 5.49, we can rewrite the same equation in the standard form of a second-order system:

$$\frac{m}{k} \frac{d^2x(t)}{dt^2} + \frac{b}{k} \frac{dx(t)}{dt} + x(t) = \frac{1}{k} f(t)$$

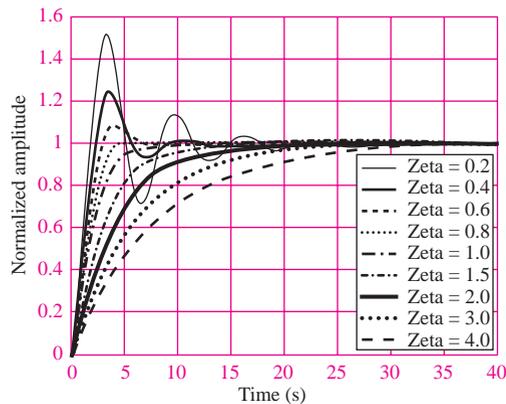
The series electric circuit of Figure 5.41(b) can be obtained by KVL:

$$\begin{aligned} v_s - Ri_L - v_C - L \frac{di_L}{dt} &= 0 \\ i_L = i_C = C \frac{dv_C}{dt} \\ LC \frac{d^2v_C}{dt^2} + RC \frac{dv_C}{dt} + v_C &= v_s \end{aligned}$$



**Figure 5.41** Analogy between electrical and mechanical systems

(Continued)



**Figure 5.40** Response of switched second-order system with  $K_S = 1$ ,  $\omega_n = 1$ , and  $\zeta$  ranging from 0.2 to 4

In the remainder of this chapter we will study solution methods to determine the response of second-order circuits.

## Elements of the Transient Response

The steps involved in computing the complete transient response of a second-order circuit excited by a switched DC source are, in essence, the same as the steps we took in solving a first-order circuit: First we determine the initial and final conditions, using exactly the same techniques used for first-order circuits (see Section 5.4); then we compute the transient response. The computation of the transient response of a second-order circuit, however, cannot be simplified quite as much as was done for first-order circuits. With a little patience you will find that although it takes a little longer to go through the computations, the methods are the same as those used in Section 5.5.

The solution of a second-order differential equation also requires that we consider the **natural response** (or **homogeneous solution**), with the forcing function set equal to zero, and the **forced response** (or **particular solution**), in which we consider the response to the forcing function. The **complete response** then consists of the sum of the natural and forced responses. Once the form of the complete response is known, the initial condition can be applied to obtain the final solution.

## Natural Response of a Second-Order System

The natural response is found by setting the excitation equal to zero. Thus, we solve the equation

$$\frac{1}{\omega_n^2} \frac{d^2x_N(t)}{dt^2} + \frac{2\zeta}{\omega_n} \frac{dx_N(t)}{dt} + x_N(t) = 0 \quad (5.50)$$

where we use the notation  $x_N(t)$  to denote the natural response. Just as in the case of first-order systems, the solution of this equation is known to be of exponential form:

$$x_N(t) = \alpha e^{st} \quad \text{Natural response} \quad (5.51)$$

Substituting this expression into equation 5.50, we obtain the algebraic equation

$$\frac{1}{\omega_n^2} s^2 \alpha e^{st} + \frac{2\zeta}{\omega_n} s \alpha e^{st} + \alpha e^{st} = 0 \quad (5.52)$$

Equation 5.52 can be equal to zero only if

$$\frac{s^2}{\omega_n^2} + \frac{2\zeta}{\omega_n} s + 1 = 0 \quad (5.53)$$

This polynomial in the variable  $s$  is called the **characteristic polynomial** of the differential equation, and it gives rise to two **characteristic roots**  $s_1$  and  $s_2$ . Thus, the function  $x_N(t) = \alpha e^{st}$  is a solution of the homogeneous differential equation only when  $s = s_1$  and  $s = s_2$ . The natural response of the system is a linear combination of the response associated with each characteristic root, that is,

$$x_N(t) = \alpha_1 e^{s_1 t} + \alpha_2 e^{s_2 t} \quad (5.54)$$

Now, one can solve for the two characteristic roots simply by finding the roots of equation 5.53:

$$s_{1,2} = -\zeta \omega_n \pm \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{(2\zeta \omega_n)^2 - 4\omega_n^2} = -\zeta \omega_n \pm \omega_n \sqrt{\zeta^2 - 1} \quad (5.55)$$

It is immediately apparent that three possible cases exist for the roots of the natural solution of a second-order differential equation, as shown in this Focus on Methodology box.



## FOCUS ON METHODOLOGY

### ROOTS OF SECOND-ORDER SYSTEMS

- Case 1: **Real and distinct roots.** This case occurs when  $\zeta > 1$ , since the term under the square root sign is positive in this case, and the roots are  $s_{1,2} = -\zeta \omega_n \pm \omega_n \sqrt{\zeta^2 - 1}$ . This leads to an **overdamped response**.
- Case 2: **Real and repeated roots.** This case holds when  $\zeta = 1$ , since the term under the square root is zero in this case, and  $s_{1,2} = -\zeta \omega_n = -\omega_n$ . This leads to a **critically damped response**.
- Case 3: **Complex conjugate roots.** This case holds when  $\zeta < 1$ , since the term under the square root is negative in this case, and  $s_{1,2} = -\zeta \omega_n \pm j \omega_n \sqrt{1 - \zeta^2}$ . This leads to an **underdamped response**.

As we shall see in the remainder of this section, identifying the roots of the second-order differential equation is the key to writing the natural solution. Example 5.13 applies these concepts to an electric circuit.



### EXAMPLE 5.13 Natural Response of Second-Order Circuit

#### Problem

Find the natural response of the circuit shown in Figure 5.42.



(Concluded)

If we now compare both second-order differential equations to the standard form of equation 5.49, we can make the following observations:

$$\frac{1}{\omega_n^2} \frac{d^2 x(t)}{dt^2} + \frac{2\zeta}{\omega_n} \frac{dx(t)}{dt}$$

$$+ x(t) = K_s f(t)$$

$$\omega_n = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$$

$$\zeta = \frac{b}{k} \frac{\omega_n}{2} = \frac{b}{2} \sqrt{\frac{1}{km}}$$

Mechanical

$$\omega_n = \sqrt{\frac{1}{LC}}$$

$$\zeta = RC \frac{\omega_n}{2} = \frac{R}{2} \sqrt{\frac{C}{L}}$$

Electrical

Comparing the expressions for the natural frequency and damping ratio in the two differential equations, we arrive at the following analogies:

Mechanical system	Electrical system
Damping coefficient $b$	Resistance $R$
Mass $m$	Inductance $L$
Compliance $1/k$	Capacitance $C$

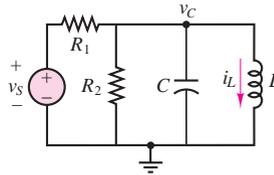


Figure 5.42

**Solution**

**Known Quantities:** Circuit elements.

**Find:** The natural response of the differential equation in  $i_L(t)$  describing the circuit of Figure 5.42.

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $R_1 = 8 \text{ k}\Omega$ ;  $R_2 = 8 \text{ k}\Omega$ ;  $C = 10 \text{ }\mu\text{F}$ ;  $L = 1 \text{ H}$ .

**Assumptions:** None.

**Analysis:** To compute the natural response of the circuit, we set the source equal to zero (short circuit) and observe that the two resistors are in parallel, and can be replaced by a single resistor  $R = R_1 || R_2$ . We apply KCL to the resulting parallel  $RLC$  circuit, observing that the capacitor voltage is the top node voltage in the circuit:

$$\frac{v_C}{R} + C \frac{dv_C}{dt} + i_L = 0$$

Next, we observe that

$$v_C = v_L = L \frac{di_L}{dt}$$

and we substitute the above expression for  $v_C$  into the first equation to obtain

$$LC \frac{d^2 i_L}{dt^2} + \frac{L}{R} \frac{di_L}{dt} + i_L = 0$$

This equation is in the form of equation 5.50, with  $K_S = 1$ ,  $\omega_n^2 = 1/LC$ , and  $2\zeta/\omega_n = L/R$ . We can therefore compute the roots of the differential equation from the expression

$$s_{1,2} = -\zeta\omega_n \pm \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{(2\zeta\omega_n)^2 - 4\omega_n^2} = -\zeta\omega_n \pm \omega_n\sqrt{\zeta^2 - 1}$$

It is always instructive to calculate the values of the three parameters first. We can see by inspection that  $K_S = 1$ ;  $\omega_n = 1/\sqrt{LC} = 1/\sqrt{10^{-5}} = 316.2 \text{ rad/s}$ ; and  $\zeta = L\omega_n/2R = 0.04$ . Since  $\zeta < 1$ , the response is *underdamped*, and the roots will be of the form  $s_{1,2} = -\zeta\omega_n \pm j\omega_n\sqrt{1 - \zeta^2}$ . Substituting numerical values, we have  $s_{1,2} = -12.5 \pm j316.2$ , and we can write the natural response of the circuit as

$$\begin{aligned} x_N(t) &= \alpha_1 e^{(-\zeta\omega_n + j\omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2})t} + \alpha_2 e^{(-\zeta\omega_n - j\omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2})t} \\ &= \alpha_1 e^{(-12.5 + j316.2)t} + \alpha_2 e^{(-12.5 - j316.2)t} \end{aligned}$$

The constants  $\alpha_1$  and  $\alpha_2$  can be determined only once the forced response and the initial conditions have been determined. We shall see more complete examples very shortly.

**Comments:** Note that once the second-order differential equation is expressed in general form (equation 5.50) and the values of the three parameters are identified, the task of writing the natural solution with the aid of the Focus on Methodology box, “Roots of Second-Order Systems,” is actually very simple.

### CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

For what value of  $R$  will the circuit response become critically damped?

Answer:  $R = 158.1 \Omega$

Let us now more formally review each of the three cases of the natural solution of a second-order system.

## 1. OVERDAMPED SOLUTION

**Real and distinct roots.** This case occurs when  $\zeta > 1$ , since the term under the square root sign is positive, and the roots are  $s_{1,2} = -\zeta\omega_n \pm \omega_n\sqrt{\zeta^2 - 1}$ . In the case of an overdamped system, the general form of the solution is

$$\begin{aligned}
 x_N(t) &= \alpha_1 e^{s_1 t} + \alpha_2 e^{s_2 t} = \alpha_1 e^{(-\zeta\omega_n + \omega_n\sqrt{\zeta^2 - 1})t} + \alpha_2 e^{(-\zeta\omega_n - \omega_n\sqrt{\zeta^2 - 1})t} \\
 &= \alpha_1 e^{-t/\tau_1} + \alpha_2 e^{-t/\tau_2}
 \end{aligned} \tag{5.56}$$

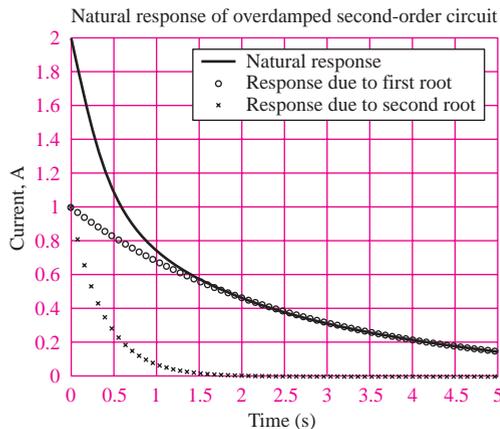


$$\tau_2 = \frac{1}{\zeta\omega_n + \omega_n\sqrt{\zeta^2 - 1}} \quad \tau_1 = \frac{1}{\zeta\omega_n - \omega_n\sqrt{\zeta^2 - 1}}$$

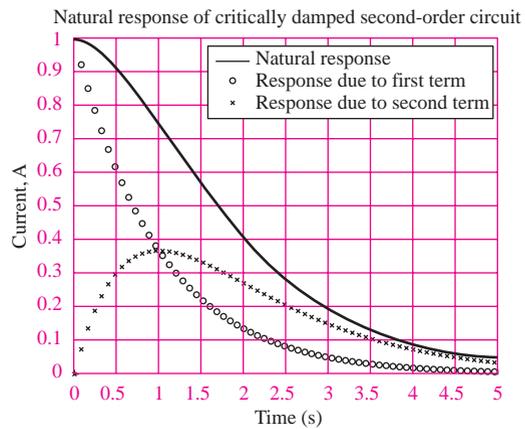
The appearance is that of the sum of two first-order systems, as shown in Figure 5.43.

## 2. CRITICALLY DAMPED SOLUTION

**Real and repeated roots.** This case holds when  $\zeta = 1$ , since the term under the square root sign is zero, and  $s_{1,2} = -\zeta\omega_n = -\omega_n$ . This leads to a **critically damped**



**Figure 5.43** Natural response of underdamped second-order system for  $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = 1$ ;  $\zeta = 1.5$ ;  $\omega_n = 1$



**Figure 5.44** Natural response of a critically damped second-order system for  $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = 1$ ;  $\zeta = 1$ ;  $\omega_n = 1$

**response.** In the case of a critically damped system, the general form of the solution is



$$x_N(t) = \alpha_1 e^{s_1 t} + \alpha_2 t e^{s_2 t} = \alpha_1 e^{-\omega_n t} + \alpha_2 t e^{-\omega_n t} = \alpha_1 e^{-t/\tau} + \alpha_2 t e^{-t/\tau}$$

$$\tau = \frac{1}{\omega_n} \quad (5.57)$$

Note that the second term is multiplied by  $t$ ; thus a critically damped system consists of the sum of a first-order exponential term plus a similar term multiplied by  $t$ . The appearance is that of the sum of two first-order systems, as shown in Figure 5.44.

### 3. UNDERDAMPED SOLUTION

**Complex conjugate roots.** This case holds when  $\zeta < 1$ , since the term under the square root sign is negative, and  $s_{1,2} = -\zeta\omega_n \pm j\omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}$ . This leads to an **underdamped response**. The general form of the response is

$$x_N(t) = \alpha_1 e^{(-\zeta\omega_n + j\omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2})t} + \alpha_2 e^{(-\zeta\omega_n - j\omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2})t} \quad (5.58)$$

To better understand this solution, and the significance of the complex exponential, let us assume that  $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = \alpha$ . Then we can further manipulate equation 5.58 to obtain



$$x_N(t) = \alpha e^{-\zeta\omega_n t} \left( e^{(j\omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2})t} + e^{(-j\omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2})t} \right)$$

$$= 2\alpha e^{-\zeta\omega_n t} \cos(\omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}t) \quad (5.59)$$

The last step in equation 5.59 made use of Euler's equation (equation 4.44), and clearly illustrates the appearance of the underdamped response of a second-order system: The response oscillates at a frequency  $\omega_d$ , called the **damped natural frequency**, where  $\omega_d = \omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}$ . This frequency asymptotically approaches the natural frequency as  $\zeta$  tends to zero. The oscillation is *damped* by the exponential decay term  $2\alpha e^{-\zeta\omega_n t}$ . The time constant for the exponential decay is  $\tau = 1/\zeta\omega_n$ , so you can see that as  $\zeta$  becomes larger (more damping),  $\tau$  becomes smaller and the oscillations decay more quickly. The two factors that make up the response are plotted in Figure 5.45, along with their product, which is the natural response.

### Forced Response

For the case of interest to us in this chapter, that is, switched DC sources, the forced response of the system is the solution to the equation

$$\frac{1}{\omega_n^2} \frac{d^2x(t)}{dt^2} + \frac{2\zeta}{\omega_n} \frac{dx(t)}{dt} + x(t) = K_S f(t) \quad (5.60)$$

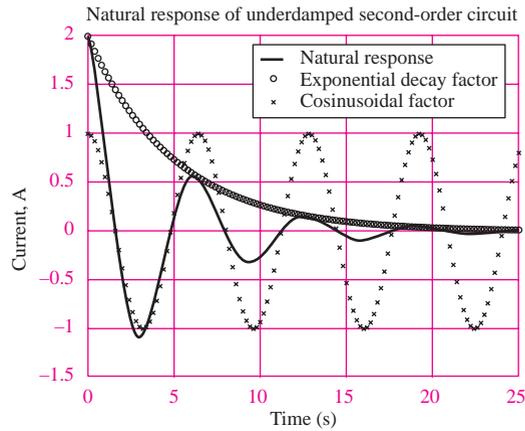
in which the forcing function  $f(t)$  is equal to a constant  $F$  for  $t \geq 0$ . For this special case, the solution can be found very easily, since the derivative term becomes zero in response to a constant excitation; thus, the forced response is found as follows:



$$x_F(t) = K_S F \quad t \geq 0 \quad \text{Forced response} \quad (5.61)$$

Note that this is again exactly the **DC steady-state solution** described in Section 5.4! We already know how to find the forced response of any *RLC* circuit when the excitation is a switched DC source. Further, we recognize that the two solutions are identical by writing

$$x_F(t) = x(\infty) = K_S F \quad t \geq 0 \quad (5.62)$$



**Figure 5.45** Natural response of an underdamped second-order system for  $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = 1$ ;  $\zeta = 0.2$ ;  $\omega_n = 1$

## Complete Response

The complete response can now be calculated as the sum of the two responses, and it depends on which of the three cases—overdamped, critically damped, or underdamped—applies to the specific differential equation.

*Overdamped case* ( $\zeta > 1$ ):

$$x(t) = x_N(t) + x_F(t) = \alpha_1 e^{(-\zeta\omega_n + \omega_n\sqrt{\zeta^2 - 1})t} + \alpha_2 e^{(-\zeta\omega_n - \omega_n\sqrt{\zeta^2 - 1})t} + x(\infty) \quad t \geq 0 \quad (5.63)$$

*Critically damped case* ( $\zeta = 1$ ):

$$x(t) = x_N(t) + x_F(t) = \alpha_1 e^{-\zeta\omega_n t} + \alpha_2 t e^{-\zeta\omega_n t} + x(\infty) \quad t \geq 0 \quad (5.64)$$

*Underdamped case* ( $\zeta < 1$ ):

$$x(t) = x_N(t) + x_F(t) = \alpha_1 e^{(-\zeta\omega_n + j\omega_n\sqrt{1 - \zeta^2})t} + \alpha_2 e^{(-\zeta\omega_n - j\omega_n\sqrt{1 - \zeta^2})t} + x(\infty) \quad t \geq 0 \quad (5.65)$$



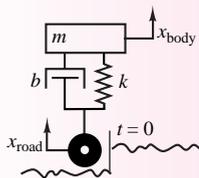
In each of these cases, to solve for the unknown constants  $\alpha_1$  and  $\alpha_2$ , we apply the initial conditions. Since the differential equation is of the second order, two initial conditions will be required:  $x(t = 0) = x(0)$  and  $dx(t = 0)/dt = \dot{x}(0)$ . The details of the procedure vary slightly in each of the three cases, so it is best to present each case by way of a complete example. The complete procedure is summarized in the Focus on Methodology box that follows.



## Automotive Suspension LO6

The mechanical system model described in an earlier Make the Connection sidebar can serve as an approximate representation of an automotive suspension system. The mass  $m$  represents the vehicle mass, the spring represents the suspension strut (or coils), and the damper models the shock absorbers. The differential equation of this second-order system is given below.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{m}{k} \frac{d^2 x_{\text{body}}(t)}{dt^2} + \frac{b}{k} \frac{dx_{\text{body}}(t)}{dt} + x_{\text{body}}(t) \\ = \frac{1}{k} x_{\text{road}}(t) + \frac{b}{k} \frac{dx_{\text{road}}(t)}{dt} \end{aligned}$$



$m = 1,500 \text{ kg}$   
 $k = 20,000 \text{ N/m}$   
 $b_{\text{new}} = 15,000 \text{ N-s/m}$   
 $b_{\text{old}} = 5,000 \text{ N-s/m}$

**Figure 5.46** Automotive suspension system

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## FOCUS ON METHODOLOGY

### SECOND-ORDER TRANSIENT RESPONSE

1. Solve for the steady-state response of the circuit before the switch changes state ( $t = 0^-$ ) and after the transient has died out ( $t \rightarrow \infty$ ). We shall generally refer to these responses as  $x(0^-)$  and  $x(\infty)$ .
2. Identify the initial conditions for the circuit  $x(0^+)$ , and  $\dot{x}(0^+)$ , using the continuity of capacitor voltages and inductor currents [ $v_C(0^+) = v_C(0^-)$ ,  $i_L(0^+) = i + L(0^-)$ ] and circuits analysis. This will be illustrated by examples.
3. Write the differential equation of the circuit for  $t = 0^+$ , that is, immediately after the switch has changed position. The variable  $x(t)$  in the differential equation will be either a capacitor voltage  $v_C(t)$  or an inductor current  $i_L(t)$ . Reduce this equation to standard form (equation 5.9 or 5.49).
4. Solve for the parameters of the second-order circuit,  $\omega_n$  and  $\zeta$ .
5. Write the complete solution for the circuit in one of the three forms given below as appropriate:

Overdamped case ( $\zeta > 1$ ):

$$\begin{aligned} x(t) = x_N(t) + x_F(t) = \alpha_1 e^{(-\zeta\omega_n + \omega_n\sqrt{\zeta^2 - 1})t} \\ + \alpha_2 e^{(-\zeta\omega_n - \omega_n\sqrt{\zeta^2 - 1})t} + x(\infty) \quad t \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Critically damped case ( $\zeta = 1$ ):

$$x(t) = x_N(t) + x_F(t) = \alpha_1 e^{-\zeta\omega_n t} + \alpha_2 t e^{-\zeta\omega_n t} + x(\infty) \quad t \geq 0$$

Underdamped case ( $\zeta < 1$ ):

$$\begin{aligned} x(t) = x_N(t) + x_F(t) = \alpha_1 e^{(-\zeta\omega_n + j\omega_n\sqrt{1 - \zeta^2})t} \\ + \alpha_2 e^{(-\zeta\omega_n - j\omega_n\sqrt{1 - \zeta^2})t} + x(\infty) \quad t \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

6. Apply the initial conditions to solve for the constants  $\alpha_1$  and  $\alpha_2$ .

### EXAMPLE 5.14 Complete Response of Overdamped Second-Order Circuit

#### Problem

Determine the complete response of the circuit shown in Figure 5.48 by solving the differential equation for the current  $i_L(t)$ .

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Circuit elements.



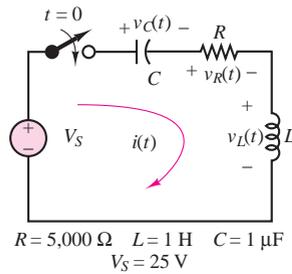


Figure 5.48

**Find:** The complete response of the differential equation in  $i_L(t)$  describing the circuit of Figure 5.48.

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $V_S = 25$  V;  $R = 5$  k $\Omega$ ;  $C = 1$   $\mu$ F;  $L = 1$  H.

**Assumptions:** The capacitor has been charged (through a separate circuit, not shown) prior to the switch closing, such that  $v_C(0) = 5$  V.

**Analysis:**

**Step 1: Steady-state response.** Before the switch closes, the current in the circuit must be zero. We are therefore sure that the inductor current is initially zero:  $i_L(0^-) = 0$ . We cannot know, in general, what the state of charge of the capacitor is. The problem statement tells us that  $v_C(0^-) = 5$  V. This fact will be useful later, when we determine the initial conditions.

After the switch has been closed for a long time and all the transients have died, the capacitor becomes an open circuit, and the inductor behaves as a short circuit. Since the open circuit prevents any current flow, the voltage across the resistor will be zero. Similarly, the inductor voltage is zero, and therefore the source voltage will appear across the capacitor. Hence,  $i_L(\infty) = 0$  and  $v_C(\infty) = 25$  V.

**Step 2: Initial conditions.** Recall that for a second-order circuit, we need to determine two initial conditions; and recall that, from continuity of inductor voltage and capacitor currents, we know that  $i_L(0^-) = i_L(0^+) = 0$  and  $v_C(0^-) = v_C(0^+) = 5$  V. Since the differential equation is in the variable  $i_L$ , the two initial conditions we need to determine are  $i_L(0^+)$  and  $di_L(0^+)/dt$ . These can actually be found rather easily by applying KVL at  $t = 0^+$ :

$$\begin{aligned} V_S - v_C(0^+) - Ri_L(0^+) - v_L(0^+) &= 0 \\ V_S - v_C(0^+) - Ri_L(0^+) - L \frac{di_L(0^+)}{dt} &= 0 \\ \frac{di_L(0^+)}{dt} &= \frac{V_S}{L} - \frac{v_C(0^+)}{L} = 25 - 5 = 20 \text{ A/s} \end{aligned}$$

**Step 3: Differential equation.** The differential equation for the series circuit can be obtained by KVL:

$$V_S - v_C - Ri_L(t) - L \frac{di_L(t)}{dt} = 0$$

After substituting

$$v_C(t) = \frac{1}{C} \int_{-\infty}^t i_L(t') dt'$$



(Concluded)

The input to the suspension system is the road surface profile, which generates both displacement and velocity inputs  $x_{\text{road}}$  and  $\dot{x}_{\text{road}}$ . One objective of the suspension is to isolate the body of the car (i.e., the passengers) from any vibration caused by unevenness in the road surface. Automotive suspension systems are also very important in guaranteeing vehicle stability and in providing acceptable handling. In this illustration we simply consider the response of the vehicle to a sharp step of amplitude 10 cm (see Figure 5.47) for two cases, corresponding to new and worn-out shock absorbers, respectively. Which ride would you prefer?

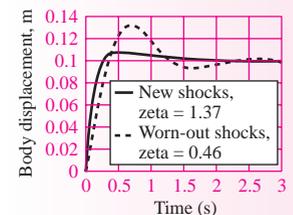


Figure 5.47 “Step” response of automotive suspension

we have the equation

$$LC \frac{di_L(t)}{dt} + RCi_L(t) + \int_{-\infty}^t i_L(t') dt' = CV_S$$

which can be differentiated on both sides to obtain

$$LC \frac{d^2i_L(t)}{dt^2} + RC \frac{di_L(t)}{dt} + i_L(t) = C \frac{dV_S}{dt} = 0$$

Note that the right-hand side (forcing function) of this differential equation is exactly zero.

**Step 4: Solve for  $\omega_n$  and  $\zeta$ .** If we now compare the second-order differential equations to the standard form of equation 5.50, we can make the following observations:

$$\omega_n = \sqrt{\frac{1}{LC}} = 1,000 \text{ rad/s}$$

$$\zeta = RC \frac{\omega_n}{2} = \frac{R}{2} \sqrt{\frac{C}{L}} = 2.5$$

Thus, the second-order circuit is overdamped.

**Step 5: Write the complete solution.** Knowing that the circuit is overdamped, we write the complete solution for this case:

$$x(t) = x_N(t) + x_F(t) = \alpha_1 e^{(-\zeta\omega_n + \omega_n\sqrt{\zeta^2-1})t} + \alpha_2 e^{(-\zeta\omega_n - \omega_n\sqrt{\zeta^2-1})t} + x(\infty) \quad t \geq 0$$

and since  $x_F = x(\infty) = 0$ , the complete solution is identical to the homogeneous solution:

$$i_L(t) = i_{LN}(t) = \alpha_1 e^{(-\zeta\omega_n + \omega_n\sqrt{\zeta^2-1})t} + \alpha_2 e^{(-\zeta\omega_n - \omega_n\sqrt{\zeta^2-1})t} \quad t \geq 0$$

**Step 6: Solve for the constants  $\alpha_1$  and  $\alpha_2$ .** Finally, we solve for the initial conditions to evaluate the constants  $\alpha_1$  and  $\alpha_2$ . The first initial condition yields

$$i_L(0^+) = \alpha_1 e^0 + \alpha_2 e^0$$

$$\alpha_1 = -\alpha_2$$

The second initial condition is evaluated as follows:

$$\frac{di_L(t)}{dt} = (-\zeta\omega_n + \omega_n\sqrt{\zeta^2-1})\alpha_1 e^{(-\zeta\omega_n + \omega_n\sqrt{\zeta^2-1})t} + (-\zeta\omega_n - \omega_n\sqrt{\zeta^2-1})\alpha_2 e^{(-\zeta\omega_n - \omega_n\sqrt{\zeta^2-1})t}$$

$$\frac{di_L(0^+)}{dt} = (-\zeta\omega_n + \omega_n\sqrt{\zeta^2-1})\alpha_1 e^0 + (-\zeta\omega_n - \omega_n\sqrt{\zeta^2-1})\alpha_2 e^0$$

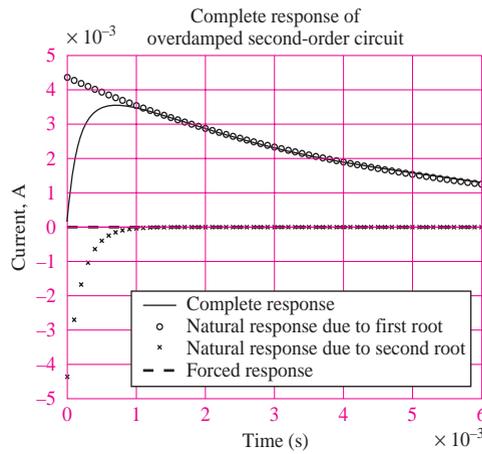
Substituting  $\alpha_1 = -\alpha_2$ , we get

$$\frac{di_L(0^+)}{dt} = (-\zeta\omega_n + \omega_n\sqrt{\zeta^2-1})\alpha_1 - (-\zeta\omega_n - \omega_n\sqrt{\zeta^2-1})\alpha_1$$

$$= 2(\omega_n\sqrt{\zeta^2-1})\alpha_1 = 20$$

$$\alpha_1 = \frac{20}{2(\omega_n\sqrt{\zeta^2-1})} = 4.36 \times 10^{-3}$$

$$\alpha_2 = -\alpha_1 = -4.36 \times 10^{-3}$$



**Figure 5.49** Complete response of overdamped second-order circuit

We can finally write the complete solution:

$$i_L(t) = 4.36 \times 10^{-3} e^{-208.7t} - 4.36 \times 10^{-3} e^{-4,791.3t} \quad t \geq 0$$

A plot of the complete solution and of its components is given in Figure 5.49.

### CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Obtain the differential equation of the circuit of Figure 5.48 with  $v_C$  as the independent variable.

Answer:  $LC \frac{d^2 v_C}{dt^2} + RC \frac{dv_C}{dt} + v_C = V_S$

### EXAMPLE 5.15 Complete Response of Critically Damped Second-Order Circuit



#### Problem

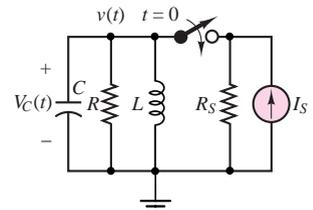
Determine the complete response of the circuit shown in Figure 5.50 by solving the differential equation for the voltage  $v(t)$ .

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Circuit elements.

**Find:** The complete response of the differential equation in  $i_L(t)$  describing the circuit of Figure 5.50.

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $I_S = 5 \text{ A}$ ;  $R = 500 \Omega$ ;  $C = 2 \mu\text{F}$ ;  $L = 2 \text{ H}$ .



**Figure 5.50** Circuit for Example 5.15

**Assumptions:** None.

**Analysis:**

**Step 1: Steady-state response.** With the switch open for a long time, any energy stored in the capacitor and inductor has had time to be dissipated by the resistor; thus, the currents and voltages in the circuit are zero:  $i_L(0^-) = 0$ ,  $v_C(0^-) = v(0^-) = 0$ .

After the switch has been closed for a long time and all the transients have died, the capacitor becomes an open circuit, and the inductor behaves as a short circuit. With the inductor behaving as a short circuit, all the source current will flow through the inductor, and  $i_L(\infty) = I_S = 5$  A. On the other hand, the current through the resistor is zero, and therefore  $v_C(\infty) = v(\infty) = 0$  V.

**Step 2: Initial conditions.** Recall that for a second-order circuit we need to determine two initial conditions; and recall that, from continuity of inductor voltage and capacitor currents, we know that  $i_L(0^-) = i_L(0^+) = 0$  A and  $v_C(0^-) = v_C(0^+) = 0$  V. Since the differential equation is in the variable  $v_C$ , the two initial conditions we need to determine are  $v_C(0^+)$  and  $dv_C(0^+)/dt$ . These can actually be found rather easily by applying KCL at  $t = 0^+$ :

$$I_S - \frac{v_C(0^+)}{R_S} - i_L(0^+) - \frac{v_C(0^+)}{R} - C \frac{dv_C(0^+)}{dt} = 0$$

Since  $v_C(0^+) = 0$  and  $i_L(0^+) = 0$ , we can easily determine  $dv_C(0^+)/dt$ :

$$\frac{dv_C(0^+)}{dt} = \frac{I_S}{C} = \frac{5}{2 \times 10^{-6}} = 2.5 \times 10^6 \frac{\text{V}}{\text{s}}$$

**Step 3: Differential equation.** The differential equation for the series circuit can be obtained by KCL:

$$I_S - \frac{v_C(t)}{R_S} - i_L(t) - \frac{v_C(t)}{R} - C \frac{dv_C(t)}{dt} = 0 \quad t \geq 0$$

Knowing that

$$v_C(t) = v_L(t) = L \frac{di_L(t)}{dt}$$

we can obtain a relationship

$$i_L(t) = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-\infty}^t v_C(t') dt'$$

resulting in the integrodifferential equation

$$I_S - \frac{v_C(t)}{R_S} - \frac{1}{L} \int_{-\infty}^t v_C(t') dt' - \frac{v_C(t)}{R} - C \frac{dv_C(t)}{dt} = 0 \quad t \geq 0$$

which can be differentiated on both sides to obtain

$$LC \frac{d^2 v_C(t)}{dt^2} + \frac{L(R_S + R)}{R_S R} \frac{dv_C(t)}{dt} + v_C(t) = L \frac{dI_S}{dt} \quad t \geq 0$$

Note that the right-hand side (forcing function) of this differential equation is exactly zero.

**Step 4: Solve for  $\omega_n$  and  $\zeta$ .** If we now compare the second-order differential equations to the standard form of equation 5.50, we can make the following observations:

$$\omega_n = \sqrt{\frac{1}{LC}} = 500 \text{ rad/s}$$

$$\zeta = \frac{L}{R_{\text{eq}}} \frac{\omega_n}{2} = \frac{1}{2R_{\text{eq}}} \sqrt{\frac{L}{C}} = 1$$

$$R_{\text{eq}} = \frac{RR_S}{R + R_S}$$

Thus, the second-order circuit is critically damped.

**Step 5: Write the complete solution.** Knowing that the circuit is critically damped ( $\zeta = 1$ ), we write the complete solution for this case:

$$x(t) = x_N(t) + x_F(t) = \alpha_1 e^{-\zeta\omega_n t} + \alpha_2 t e^{-\zeta\omega_n t} + x(\infty) \quad t \geq 0$$

and, since  $v_{CF} = v_C(\infty) = 0$ , the complete solution is identical to the homogeneous solution:

$$v_C(t) = V_{CN}(t) = \alpha_1 e^{-\zeta\omega_n t} + \alpha_2 t e^{-\zeta\omega_n t} \quad t \geq 0$$

**Step 6: Solve for the constants  $\alpha_1$  and  $\alpha_2$ .** Finally, we solve for the initial conditions to evaluate the constants  $\alpha_1$  and  $\alpha_2$ . The first initial condition yields

$$v_C(0^+) = \alpha_1 e^0 + \alpha_2 \cdot 0 \cdot e^0 = 0$$

$$\alpha_1 = 0$$

The second initial condition is evaluated as follows:

$$\frac{dv_C(t)}{dt} = (-\zeta\omega_n)\alpha_1 e^{-\zeta\omega_n t} + (-\zeta\omega_n)\alpha_2 t e^{-\zeta\omega_n t} + \alpha_2 e^{-\zeta\omega_n t}$$

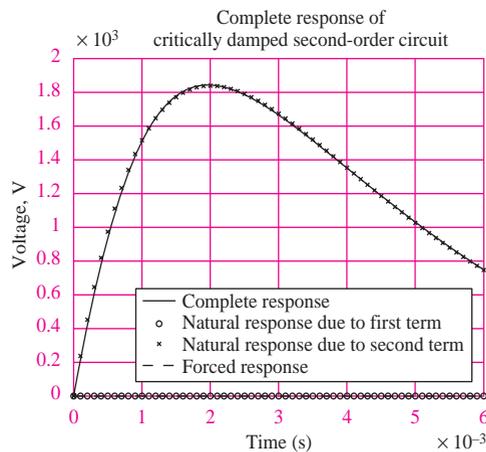
$$\frac{dv_C(0^+)}{dt} = (-\zeta\omega_n)\alpha_1 e^0 + \alpha_2 e^0 = \alpha_2$$

$$\alpha_2 = 2.5 \times 10^6$$

We can finally write the complete solution

$$v_C(t) = 2.5 \times 10^6 t e^{-500t} \quad t \geq 0$$

A plot of the complete solution and of its components is given in Figure 5.51.



**Figure 5.51** Complete response of overdamped second-order circuit

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Obtain the differential equation of the circuit of Figure 5.50 with  $i_L$  as the independent variable.

$$\text{Answer: } LC \frac{d^2 i_L(t)}{dt^2} + \frac{R}{L} \frac{di_L(t)}{dt} + i_L(t) = I_s \quad t \geq 0$$



### EXAMPLE 5.16 Complete Response of Underdamped Second-Order Circuit

#### Problem

Determine the complete response of the circuit shown in Figure 5.52 by solving the differential equation for the current  $i_L(t)$ .

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Circuit elements.

**Find:** The complete response of the differential equation in  $i_L(t)$  describing the circuit of Figure 5.52.

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $V_S = 12 \text{ V}$ ;  $R = 200 \Omega$ ;  $C = 10 \mu\text{F}$ ;  $L = 0.5 \text{ H}$ .

**Assumptions:** The capacitor had been previously charged (through a separate circuit, not shown), such that  $v_C(0^-) = v_C(0^+) = 2 \text{ V}$ .

#### Analysis:

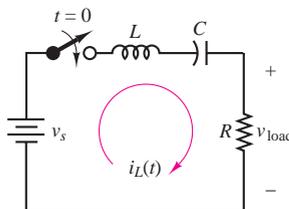
**Step 1: Steady-state response.** Since the inductor current is zero when the switch is open,  $i_L(0^-) = 0$ ; on the other hand, we have assumed that  $v_C(0^-) = v_C(0^+) = 2 \text{ V}$ . After the switch has been closed for a long time and all the transients have died, the capacitor becomes an open circuit, and the inductor behaves as a short circuit. With the capacitor behaving as an open circuit, all the source voltage will appear across the capacitor, and, of course, the inductor current is zero:  $i_L(\infty) = 0 \text{ A}$ ,  $v_C(\infty) = V_S = 12 \text{ V}$ .

**Step 2: Initial conditions.** Recall that for a second-order circuit we need to determine two initial conditions; and recall that, from continuity of inductor voltage and capacitor currents, we know that  $i_L(0^-) = i_L(0^+) = 0 \text{ A}$  and  $v_C(0^-) = v_C(0^+) = 2 \text{ V}$ . Since the differential equation is in the variable  $i_L$ , the two initial conditions we need to determine are  $i_L(0^+)$  and  $di_L(0^+)/dt$ . The second initial condition can be found by applying KVL at  $t = 0^+$ :

$$V_S - v_C(0^+) - Ri_L(0^+) - v_L(0^+) = 0$$

$$V_S - v_C(0^+) - Ri_L(0^+) - L \frac{di_L(0^+)}{dt} = 0$$

$$\frac{di_L(0^+)}{dt} = \frac{V_S}{L} - \frac{v_C(0^+)}{L} = \frac{12}{0.5} - \frac{2}{0.5} = 20 \text{ A/s}$$



**Figure 5.52** Circuit for Example 5.16

**Step 3: Differential equation.** The differential equation for the series circuit is obtained by KCL:

$$V_S - L \frac{di_L(t)}{dt} - v_C(t) - Ri_L(t) = 0 \quad t \geq 0$$

Knowing that

$$i_L(t) = C \frac{dv_C(t)}{dt}$$

we can obtain the relationship

$$v_C(t) = \frac{1}{C} \int_{-\infty}^t i_L(t') dt'$$

resulting in the integrodifferential equation

$$V_S - L \frac{di_L(t)}{dt} - \frac{1}{C} \int_{-\infty}^t i_L(t') dt' - Ri_L(t) = 0 \quad t \geq 0$$

which can be differentiated on both sides to obtain

$$LC \frac{d^2 i_L(t)}{dt^2} + RC \frac{di_L(t)}{dt} + i_L(t) = C \frac{dV_S}{dt} \quad t \geq 0$$

Note that the right-hand side (forcing function) of this differential equation is exactly zero, since  $V_S$  is a constant.

**Step 4: Solve for  $\omega_n$  and  $\zeta$ .** If we now compare the second-order differential equations to the standard form of equation 5.50, we can make the following observations:

$$\omega_n = \sqrt{\frac{1}{LC}} = 447 \text{ rad/s}$$

$$\zeta = RC \frac{\omega_n}{2} = \frac{R}{2} \sqrt{\frac{C}{L}} = 0.447$$

Thus, the second-order circuit is underdamped.

**Step 5: Write the complete solution.** Knowing that the circuit is underdamped ( $\zeta < 1$ ), we write the complete solution for this case as

$$x(t) = x_N(t) + x_F(t) = \alpha_1 e^{(-\zeta \omega_n + j \omega_n \sqrt{1-\zeta^2})t} + \alpha_2 e^{(-\zeta \omega_n - j \omega_n \sqrt{1-\zeta^2})t} + x(\infty) \quad t \geq 0$$

and since  $x_F = i_{LF} = i_L(\infty) = 0$ , the complete solution is identical to the homogeneous solution:

$$i_L(t) = i_{LN}(t) = \alpha_1 e^{(-\zeta \omega_n + j \omega_n \sqrt{1-\zeta^2})t} + \alpha_2 e^{(-\zeta \omega_n - j \omega_n \sqrt{1-\zeta^2})t} \quad t \geq 0$$

**Step 6: Solve for the constants  $\alpha_1$  and  $\alpha_2$ .** Finally, we solve for the initial conditions to evaluate the constants  $\alpha_1$  and  $\alpha_2$ . The first initial condition yields

$$i_L(0^+) = \alpha_1 e^0 + \alpha_2 e^0 = 0$$

$$\alpha_1 = -\alpha_2$$

The second initial condition is evaluated as follows:

$$\frac{di_L(t)}{dt} = (-\zeta \omega_n + j \omega_n \sqrt{1-\zeta^2}) \alpha_1 e^{(-\zeta \omega_n + j \omega_n \sqrt{1-\zeta^2})t} + (-\zeta \omega_n - j \omega_n \sqrt{1-\zeta^2}) \alpha_2 e^{(-\zeta \omega_n - j \omega_n \sqrt{1-\zeta^2})t}$$

$$\frac{di_L(0^+)}{dt} = (-\zeta\omega_n + j\omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2})\alpha_1 e^0 + (-\zeta\omega_n - j\omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2})\alpha_2 e^0$$

Substituting  $\alpha_1 = -\alpha_2$ , we get

$$\frac{di_L(0^+)}{dt} = (-\zeta\omega_n + j\omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2})\alpha_1 - (-\zeta\omega_n - j\omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2})\alpha_1 = 20 \text{ A/s}$$

$$2(j\omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2})\alpha_1 = 20$$

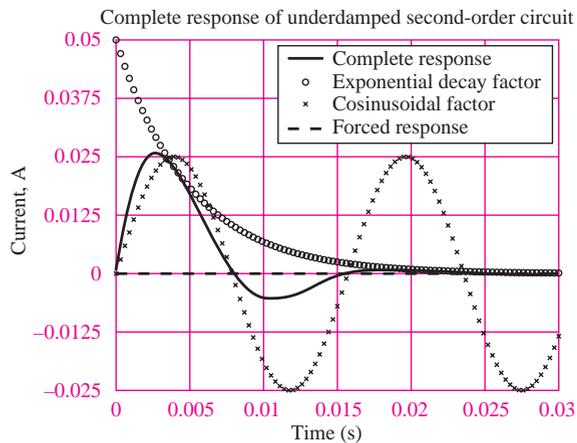
$$\alpha_1 = \frac{10}{j\omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}} = -j\frac{10}{\omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}} = -j0.025$$

$$\alpha_2 = -\alpha_1 = j0.025$$

We can finally write the complete solution:

$$\begin{aligned} i_L(t) &= -j0.025e^{(-200+j400)t} + j0.025e^{(-200-j400)t} \quad t \geq 0 \\ &= 0.025e^{-200t}(-je^{j400t} + je^{-j400t}) = 0.025e^{-200t} \times 2 \sin 400t \\ &= 0.05e^{-200t} \sin 400t \quad t \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

In the above equation, we have used Euler's identity to obtain the final expression. A plot of the complete solution and of its components is given in Figure 5.53.



**Figure 5.53** Complete response of underdamped second-order circuit

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

If the inductance is reduced to one-half of its original value (from 0.5 to 0.25 H), for what range of values of  $R$  will the circuit be underdamped?

### EXAMPLE 5.17 Transient Response of Automotive Ignition Circuit



#### Problem

The circuit shown in Figure 5.54 is a simplified but realistic representation of an automotive ignition system. The circuit includes an **automotive battery**, a transformer<sup>3</sup> (**ignition coil**), a capacitor (known as *condenser* in old-fashioned automotive parlance), and a switch. The switch is usually an electronic switch (e.g., a transistor—see Chapter 10) and can be treated as an ideal switch. The circuit on the left represents the ignition circuit immediately after the electronic switch has closed, following a spark discharge. Thus, one can assume that no energy is stored in the inductor prior to the switch closing, say at  $t = 0$ . Furthermore, no energy is stored in the capacitor, as the short circuit (closed switch) across it would have dissipated any charge in the capacitor. The primary winding of the ignition coil (left-hand side inductor) is then given a suitable length of time to build up stored energy, and then the switch opens, say at  $t = \Delta t$ , leading to a rapid voltage buildup across the secondary winding of the coil (right-hand side inductor). The voltage rises to a very high value because of two effects: the *inductive voltage kick* described in Example 5.11 and the voltage multiplying effect of the transformer. The result is a very short high-voltage transient (reaching thousands of volts), which causes a spark to be generated across the spark plug.

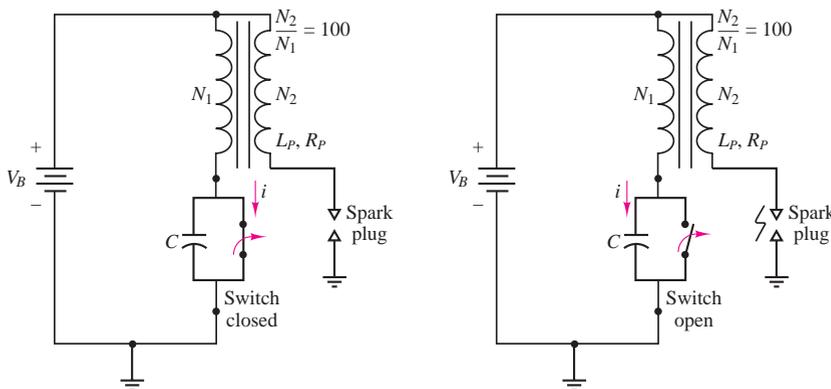


Figure 5.54

#### Solution

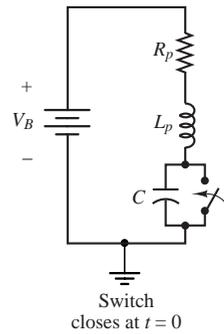
**Known Quantities:** Battery voltage, resistor, capacitor, inductor values.

**Find:** The ignition coil current  $i(t)$  and the open-circuit voltage across the spark plug  $v_{OC}(t)$ .

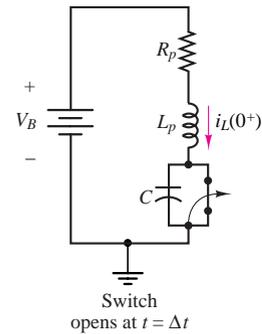
**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $V_B = 12 \text{ V}$ ;  $R_p = 2 \Omega$ ;  $C = 10 \mu\text{F}$ ;  $L_p = 5 \text{ mH}$ .

**Assumptions:** The switch has been open for a long time, and it closes at  $t = 0$ . The switch opens again at  $t = \Delta t$ .

<sup>3</sup>Transformers are discussed more formally in Chapters 7 and 14; the operation of the transformer in an ignition coil will be explained ad hoc in this example.



**Figure 5.55 (a)**  
First-order transient circuit



**Figure 5.55 (b)**  
Second-order transient circuit, following opening of switch

**Analysis:** Assume that initially no energy is stored in either the inductor or the capacitor, and that the switch is closed, as shown in Figure 5.55(a). When the switch is closed, a first-order circuit is formed by the primary coil inductance and capacitance. The solution of this circuit will now give us the initial condition that will be in effect when the switch is ready to open again. This circuit is identical to that analyzed in Example 5.9, and we can directly borrow the solution obtained from that example, after suitably replacing the final value and time constant:

$$i_L(t) = i_L(\infty) + [i_L(0) - i_L(\infty)]e^{-t/\tau} \quad t \geq 0$$

$$i_L(t) = 6(1 - e^{-t/2.5 \times 10^{-3}}) \quad t \geq 0$$

with

$$i_{LSS}(\infty) = \frac{V_B}{R_p} = 6 \text{ A} \quad \text{Final value}$$

$$\tau = \frac{L_p}{R_p} = 2.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ s} \quad \text{Time constant}$$

Let the switch remain closed until  $t = \Delta t = 12.5 \text{ ms} = 5\tau$ . At time  $\Delta t$ , the value of the inductor current will be

$$i_L(t = \Delta t) = 6(1 - e^{-5}) = 5.96 \text{ A}$$

that is, the current reaches 99 percent of its final value in five time constants.

Now, when the switch opens at  $t = \Delta t$ , we are faced with a series  $RLC$  circuit similar to that of Example 5.16, except for the fact that the initial condition that is nonzero is the inductor current (in Example 5.16 you will recall that the capacitor had a nonzero initial condition). We can therefore borrow the solution to Example 5.16, with some slight modifications because of the difference in initial conditions, as shown below. Please note that even though the second-order circuit transient starts at  $t = 12.5 \text{ ms}$ , we have “reset” the time to  $t = 0$  for simplicity in writing the solution. You should be aware that the solution below actually starts at  $t = 12.5 \text{ ms}$ .

**Step 1: Steady-state response.** At  $t = \Delta t$ ,  $i_L(0^-) = 6 \text{ A}$ ;  $v_C(0^-) = v(0^-) = 0 \text{ V}$ . After the switch has been closed for a long time and all the transients have died, the capacitor becomes an open circuit, and the inductor behaves as a short circuit. With the capacitor behaving as an open circuit, all the source voltage will appear across the capacitor, and, of course, the inductor current is zero:  $i_L(\infty) = 0 \text{ A}$ ,  $v_C(\infty) = V_S = 12 \text{ V}$ .

**Step 2: Initial conditions.** Since the differential equation is in the variable  $i_L$ , the two initial conditions we need to determine are  $i_L(0^+)$  and  $di_L(0^+)/dt$ . Now  $i_L(0^-) = i_L(0^+) = 5.96 \text{ A}$ . The second initial condition can be found by applying KVL at  $t = 0^+$

$$\begin{aligned}
 V_B - v_C(0^+) - Ri_L(0^+) - L \frac{di_L(0^+)}{dt} &= 0 \\
 \frac{di_L(0^+)}{dt} &= \frac{V_B}{L} - \frac{v_C(0^+)}{L} - Ri_L(0^+) = \frac{12}{5 \times 10^{-3}} - 0 - 2 \times 5.96 \\
 &= 2,388 \text{ A/s}
 \end{aligned}$$

Note the very large value of the time derivative of the inductor current!

**Step 3: Differential equation.** The differential equation for the series circuit can be obtained by KCL:

$$L_p C \frac{d^2 i_L(t)}{dt^2} + R_p C \frac{di_L(t)}{dt} + i_L(t) = C \frac{dV_B}{dt} = 0 \quad t \geq 0$$

**Step 4: Solve for  $\omega_n$  and  $\zeta$ .**

$$\begin{aligned}
 \omega_n &= \sqrt{\frac{1}{L_p C}} = 4,472 \text{ rad/s} \\
 \zeta &= R_p C \frac{\omega_n}{2} = \frac{R_p}{2} \sqrt{\frac{C}{L_p}} = 0.0447
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the ignition circuit is underdamped.

**Step 5: Write the complete solution.**

$$i_L(t) = i_{LN}(t) = \alpha_1 e^{(-\zeta\omega_n + j\omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2})t} + \alpha_2 e^{(-\zeta\omega_n - j\omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2})t} \quad t \geq 0$$

**Step 6: Solve for the constants  $\alpha_1$  and  $\alpha_2$ .** Finally, we solve for the initial conditions to evaluate the constants  $\alpha_1$  and  $\alpha_2$ . The first initial condition yields

$$\begin{aligned}
 i_L(0^+) &= \alpha_1 e^0 + \alpha_2 e^0 = 5.96 \text{ A} \\
 \alpha_1 &= 5.96 - \alpha_2
 \end{aligned}$$

The second initial condition is evaluated as follows:

$$\frac{di_L(0^+)}{dt} = (-\zeta\omega_n + j\omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2})\alpha_1 e^0 + (-\zeta\omega_n - j\omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2})\alpha_2 e^0$$

Substituting  $\alpha_1 = 5.96 - \alpha_2$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{di_L(0^+)}{dt} &= (-\zeta\omega_n + j\omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2})\alpha_1 \\
 &\quad + (-\zeta\omega_n - j\omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2})(5.96 - \alpha_1) = 2,388 \text{ V}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$2(j\omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2})\alpha_1 + 5.96(-\zeta\omega_n - j\omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}) = 2,388 \text{ V}$$

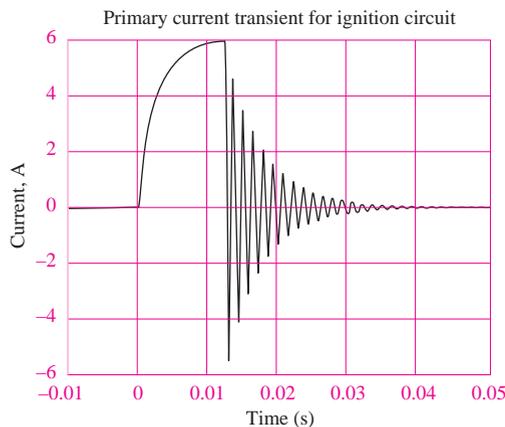
$$\alpha_1 = \frac{2,388 - 5.96(-\zeta\omega_n - j\omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2})}{2j\omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}} = 2.98 - j0.4$$

$$\alpha_2 = 5.96 - \alpha_1 = 2.98 + j0.4$$

and we can finally write the complete solution, as

$$\begin{aligned}
i_L(t) &= (2.98 - j0.4)e^{(-\zeta\omega_n + j\omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2})t} \\
&\quad + (2.98 + j0.4)e^{(-\zeta\omega_n - j\omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2})t} \quad t \geq \Delta t \\
i_L(t) &= 2.98e^{(-\zeta\omega_n)t} \left( e^{(+j\omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2})t} + e^{(-j\omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2})t} \right) \\
&\quad - j0.4e^{(-\zeta\omega_n)t} \left( e^{(+j\omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2})t} - e^{(-j\omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2})t} \right) \\
&= 2.98e^{(-200)t} \left( e^{(+j4,463)t} + e^{(-j4,463)t} \right) - j0.4e^{(-200)t} \left( e^{(+j4,463)t} - e^{(-j4,463)t} \right) \\
&= 5.96e^{(-200)t} \cos(4,463t) + 0.8e^{(-200)t} \sin(4,463t)
\end{aligned}$$

A plot of the inductor current for  $-10 = t = 50$  ms is shown in Figure 5.56. Notice the initial first-order transient at  $t = 0$  followed by a second-order transient at  $t = 12.5$  ms.



**Figure 5.56** Transient current response of ignition current

To compute the primary voltage, we simply differentiate the inductor current and multiply by  $L$ ; to determine the secondary voltage, which is that applied to the spark plug, we simply remark that a 1:100 transformer increases the voltage by a factor of 100, so that the secondary voltage is 100 times larger than the primary voltage.<sup>4</sup> Thus, the expression for the secondary voltage is

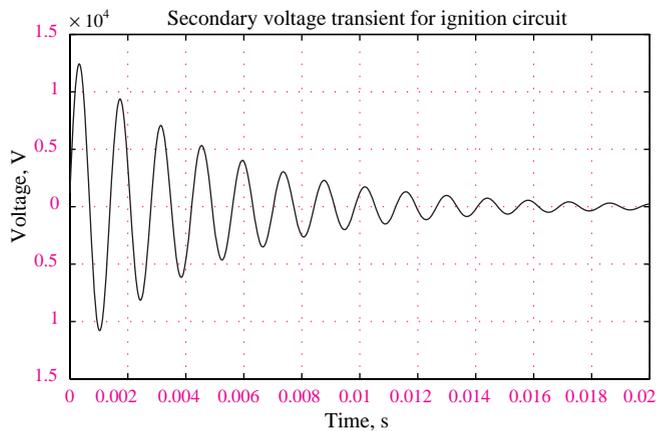
$$\begin{aligned}
v_{\text{spark plug}} &= 100 \times L \frac{di_L(t)}{dt} = 0.5 \times \frac{d}{dt} [5.96e^{(-200)t} \cos(4,463t) + 0.8e^{(-200)t} \sin(4,463t)] \\
&= 0.5 \times (5.96(-200)e^{(-200)t} \cos(4,463t) + 5.96e^{(-200)t}(-4,463) \sin(4,463t)) \\
&\quad + 0.5 \times (0.8(-200)e^{(-200)t} \sin(4,463t) - 0.8e^{(-200)t}4,463 \cos(4,463t))
\end{aligned}$$

where we have “reset” time to  $t = 0$  for simplicity. We are actually interested in the value of this voltage at  $t = 0$ , since this is what will generate the spark; evaluating the above expression at  $t = 0$ , we obtain

$$v_{\text{spark plug}}(t = 0) = 0.5 \times (5.96(-200)) + 0.5 \times (0.8 \times 4,463) = 1,189.2 \text{ V}$$

<sup>4</sup>The secondary current, on the other hand, will decrease by a factor of 100, so that power is conserved—see Section 7.3.

One can clearly see that the result of the switching is a very large (negative) voltage spike, capable of generating a spark across the plug gap. A plot of the inductor voltage starting at the time when the switch is opened is shown in Figure 5.57, showing that approximately 0.3 ms after the switching transient, the secondary voltage reaches approximately  $-12,500$  V! This value is rather typical of the voltages required to generate a spark across an automotive plug.



**Figure 5.57** Secondary ignition voltage response

## Conclusion

Chapter 5 has focused on the solution of first- and second-order differential equations for the case of DC switched transients, and it has presented a number of analogies between electric circuits and other physical systems, such as thermal, hydraulic, and mechanical.

While many other forms of excitation exist, turning a DC supply on and off is a very common occurrence in electrical, electronic, and electromechanical systems. Further, the methods discussed in this chapter can be readily extended to the solution of more general problems.

Upon completing this chapter, you should have mastered the following learning objectives:

1. *Write differential equations for circuits containing inductors and capacitors.* You have seen that writing the differential equations of dynamic circuits involves two concepts: applying Kirchhoff's laws and using the constitutive differential or integral relationships for inductors and capacitors. Often, it is convenient to isolate the purely resistive part of a circuit and reduce it to an equivalent circuit.
2. *Determine the DC steady-state solution of circuits containing inductors and capacitors.* You have learned that the DC steady-state solution of any differential equation can be easily obtained by setting the derivative terms equal to zero. An alternate method for computing the DC steady-state solution is to recognize that under DC steady-state conditions, inductors behave as short circuits and capacitors as open circuits.
3. *Write the differential equation of first-order circuits in standard form, and determine the complete solution of first-order circuits excited by switched DC sources.* First-order systems are most commonly described by way of two constants: the DC gain and the time constant. You have learned how to recognize these constants, how to compute the initial and final conditions, and how to write the complete solution of all first-order circuits almost by inspection.

4. Write the differential equation of second-order circuits in standard form, and determine the complete solution of second-order circuits excited by switched DC sources. Second-order circuits are described by three constants: the DC gain, the natural frequency, and the damping ratio. While the method for obtaining the complete solution for a second-order circuit is logically the same as that used for a first-order circuit, some of the details are a little more involved in the second-order case.
5. Understand analogies between electric circuits and hydraulic, thermal, and mechanical systems. Many physical systems in nature exhibit the same first- and second-order characteristics as the electric circuits you have studied in this chapter. We have taken a look at some thermal, hydraulic, and mechanical analogies.

## HOMWORK PROBLEMS

### Section 5.2: Writing Differential Equations for Circuits Containing Inductors and Capacitors

- 5.1 Write the differential equation for  $t > 0$  for the circuit of Figure P5.21.
- 5.2 Write the differential equation for  $t > 0$  for the circuit of Figure P5.23.
- 5.3 Write the differential equation for  $t > 0$  for the circuit of Figure P5.27.
- 5.4 Write the differential equation for  $t > 0$  for the circuit of Figure P5.29.
- 5.5 Write the differential equation for  $t > 0$  for the circuit of Figure P5.32.
- 5.6 Write the differential equation for  $t > 0$  for the circuit of Figure P5.34.
- 5.7 Write the differential equation for  $t > 0$  for the circuit of Figure P5.41.
- 5.8 Write the differential equation for  $t > 0$  for the circuit of Figure P5.47. Assume  $V_S = 9$  V,  $R_1 = 10$  k $\Omega$ , and  $R_2 = 20$  k $\Omega$ .
- 5.9 Write the differential equation for  $t > 0$  for the circuit of Figure P5.49.
- 5.10 Write the differential equation for  $t > 0$  for the circuit of Figure P5.52.

### Section 5.3: DC Steady-State Solution of Circuits Containing Inductors and Capacitors—Initial and Final Conditions

- 5.11 Determine the initial and final conditions for the circuit of Figure P5.21.
- 5.12 Determine the initial and final conditions for the circuit of Figure P5.23.

- 5.13 Determine the initial and final conditions for the circuit of Figure P5.27.
- 5.14 Determine the initial and final conditions for the circuit of Figure P5.29.
- 5.15 Determine the initial and final conditions for the circuit of Figure P5.32.
- 5.16 Determine the initial and final conditions for the circuit of Figure P5.34.
- 5.17 Determine the initial and final conditions for the circuit of Figure P5.41.
- 5.18 Determine the initial and final conditions for the circuit of Figure P5.47. Assume  $V_S = 9$  V,  $R_1 = 10$  k $\Omega$ , and  $R_2 = 20$  k $\Omega$ .
- 5.19 Determine the initial and final conditions for the circuit of Figure P5.49.
- 5.20 Determine the initial and final conditions for the circuit of Figure P5.52.

### Section 5.4: Transient Response of First-Order Circuits

- 5.21 Just before the switch is opened at  $t = 0$ , the current through the inductor is 1.70 mA in the direction shown in Figure P5.21. Did steady-state conditions exist just before the switch was opened?

$$L = 0.9 \text{ mH} \quad V_S = 12 \text{ V}$$

$$R_1 = 6 \text{ k}\Omega \quad R_2 = 6 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$R_3 = 3 \text{ k}\Omega$$

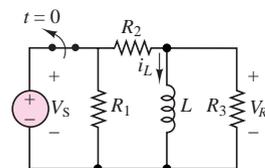


Figure P5.21

- 5.22** At  $t < 0$ , the circuit shown in Figure P5.22 is at steady state. The switch is changed as shown at  $t = 0$ .

$$\begin{aligned} V_{S1} &= 35 \text{ V} & V_{S2} &= 130 \text{ V} \\ C &= 11 \mu\text{F} & R_1 &= 17 \text{ k}\Omega \\ R_2 &= 7 \text{ k}\Omega & R_3 &= 23 \text{ k}\Omega \end{aligned}$$

Determine at  $t = 0^+$  the initial current through  $R_3$  just after the switch is changed.

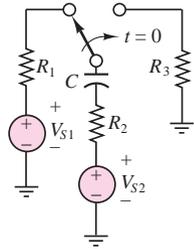


Figure P5.22

- 5.23** Determine the current through the capacitor just before and just after the switch is closed in Figure P5.23. Assume steady-state conditions for  $t < 0$ .

$$\begin{aligned} V_1 &= 12 \text{ V} & C &= 0.5 \mu\text{F} \\ R_1 &= 0.68 \text{ k}\Omega & R_2 &= 1.8 \text{ k}\Omega \end{aligned}$$

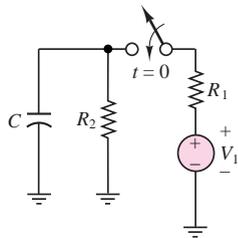


Figure P5.23

- 5.24** Determine the current through the capacitor just before and just after the switch is closed in Figure P5.23. Assume steady-state conditions for  $t < 0$ .

$$\begin{aligned} V_1 &= 12 \text{ V} & C &= 150 \mu\text{F} \\ R_1 &= 400 \text{ m}\Omega & R_2 &= 2.2 \text{ k}\Omega \end{aligned}$$

- 5.25** Just before the switch is opened at  $t = 0$  in Figure P5.21, the current through the inductor is 1.70 mA in the direction shown. Determine the voltage across  $R_3$  just after the switch is opened.

$$\begin{aligned} V_S &= 12 \text{ V} & L &= 0.9 \text{ mH} \\ R_1 &= 6 \text{ k}\Omega & R_2 &= 6 \text{ k}\Omega \\ R_3 &= 3 \text{ k}\Omega \end{aligned}$$

- 5.26** Determine the voltage across the inductor just before and just after the switch is changed in Figure P5.26. Assume steady-state conditions exist for  $t < 0$ .

$$\begin{aligned} V_S &= 12 \text{ V} & R_S &= 0.7 \Omega \\ R_1 &= 22 \text{ k}\Omega & L &= 100 \text{ mH} \end{aligned}$$

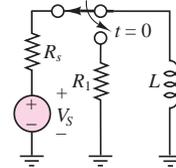


Figure P5.26

- 5.27** Steady-state conditions exist in the circuit shown in Figure P5.27 at  $t < 0$ . The switch is closed at  $t = 0$ .

$$\begin{aligned} V_1 &= 12 \text{ V} & R_1 &= 0.68 \text{ k}\Omega \\ R_2 &= 2.2 \text{ k}\Omega & R_3 &= 1.8 \text{ k}\Omega \\ C &= 0.47 \mu\text{F} \end{aligned}$$

Determine the current through the capacitor at  $t = 0^+$ , just after the switch is closed.

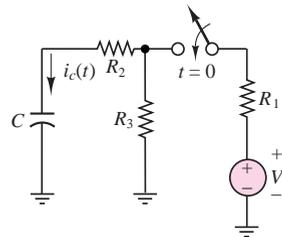


Figure P5.27

- 5.28** For  $t > 0$ , the circuit shown in Figure P5.22 is at steady state. The switch is changed as shown at  $t = 0$ .

$$\begin{aligned} V_{S1} &= 35 \text{ V} & V_{S2} &= 130 \text{ V} \\ C &= 11 \mu\text{F} & R_1 &= 17 \text{ k}\Omega \\ R_2 &= 7 \text{ k}\Omega & R_3 &= 23 \text{ k}\Omega \end{aligned}$$

Determine the time constant of the circuit for  $t > 0$ .

- 5.29** At  $t < 0$ , the circuit shown in Figure P5.29 is at steady state. The switch is changed as shown at  $t = 0$ .

$$\begin{aligned} V_{S1} &= 13 \text{ V} & V_{S2} &= 13 \text{ V} \\ L &= 170 \text{ mH} & R_1 &= 2.7 \Omega \\ R_2 &= 4.3 \text{ k}\Omega & R_3 &= 29 \text{ k}\Omega \end{aligned}$$

Determine the time constant of the circuit for  $t > 0$ .

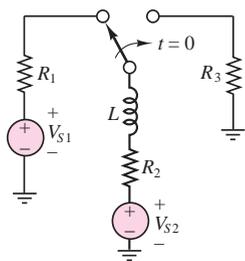


Figure P5.29

- 5.30** Steady-state conditions exist in the circuit shown in Figure P5.27 for  $t < 0$ . The switch is closed at  $t = 0$ .

$$\begin{aligned} V_1 &= 12 \text{ V} & C &= 0.47 \text{ } \mu\text{F} \\ R_1 &= 680 \text{ } \Omega & R_2 &= 2.2 \text{ k}\Omega \\ R_3 &= 1.8 \text{ k}\Omega \end{aligned}$$

Determine the time constant of the circuit for  $t > 0$ .

- 5.31** Just before the switch is opened at  $t = 0$  in Figure P5.21, the current through the inductor is 1.70 mA in the direction shown.

$$\begin{aligned} V_S &= 12 \text{ V} & L &= 0.9 \text{ mH} \\ R_1 &= 6 \text{ k}\Omega & R_2 &= 6 \text{ k}\Omega \\ R_3 &= 3 \text{ k}\Omega \end{aligned}$$

Determine the time constant of the circuit for  $t > 0$ .

- 5.32** Determine  $v_C(t)$  for  $t > 0$ . The voltage across the capacitor in Figure P5.32 just before the switch is changed is given below.

$$\begin{aligned} v_C(0^-) &= -7 \text{ V} & I_o &= 17 \text{ mA} & C &= 0.55 \text{ } \mu\text{F} \\ R_1 &= 7 \text{ k}\Omega & R_2 &= 3.3 \text{ k}\Omega \end{aligned}$$

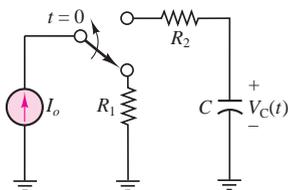


Figure P5.32

- 5.33** Determine the current through resistor  $R_3$  for  $t > 0$  in Figure P5.29.

$$\begin{aligned} V_{S1} &= 23 \text{ V} & V_{S2} &= 20 \text{ V} \\ L &= 23 \text{ mH} & R_1 &= 0.7 \text{ } \Omega \\ R_2 &= 13 \text{ } \Omega & R_3 &= 330 \text{ k}\Omega \end{aligned}$$

- 5.34** Assume DC steady-state conditions exist in the circuit shown in Figure P5.34 for  $t < 0$ . The switch is

changed at  $t = 0$  as shown.

$$\begin{aligned} V_{S1} &= 17 \text{ V} & V_{S2} &= 11 \text{ V} \\ R_1 &= 14 \text{ k}\Omega & R_2 &= 13 \text{ k}\Omega \\ R_3 &= 14 \text{ k}\Omega & C &= 70 \text{ nF} \end{aligned}$$

Determine

- $V(t)$  for  $t > 0$
- The time required, after the switch is operated, for  $V(t)$  to change by 98 percent of its total change in voltage

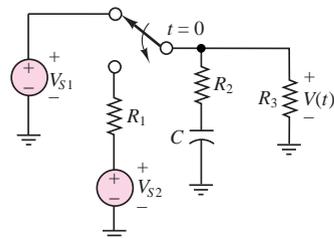


Figure P5.34

- 5.35** The circuit of Figure P5.35 is a simple model of an automotive ignition system. The switch models the “points” that switch electric power to the cylinder when the fuel-air mixture is compressed. And  $R$  is the resistance between the electrodes (i.e., the “gap”) of the spark plug.

$$\begin{aligned} V_G &= 12 \text{ V} & R_G &= 0.37 \text{ } \Omega \\ R &= 1.7 \text{ k}\Omega \end{aligned}$$

Determine the value of  $L$  and  $R_1$  so that the voltage across the spark plug gap just after the switch is changed is 23 kV and so that this voltage will change exponentially with a time constant  $\tau = 13 \text{ ms}$ .

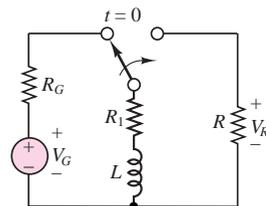


Figure P5.35

- 5.36** The inductor  $L$  in the circuit shown in Figure P5.36 is the coil of a relay. When the current through the coil is equal to or greater than +2 mA, the relay functions. Assume steady-state conditions at  $t < 0$ . If

$$\begin{aligned} V_S &= 12 \text{ V} \\ L &= 10.9 \text{ mH} & R_1 &= 3.1 \text{ k}\Omega \end{aligned}$$

determine  $R_2$  so that the relay functions at  $t = 2.3$  s.

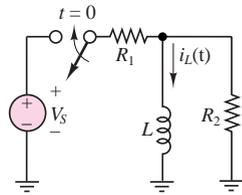


Figure P5.36

**5.37** Determine the current through the capacitor just before and just after the switch is closed in Figure P5.37. Assume steady-state conditions for  $t < 0$ .

$$V_1 = 12 \text{ V} \quad C = 150 \text{ } \mu\text{F}$$

$$R_1 = 400 \text{ m}\Omega \quad R_2 = 2.2 \text{ k}\Omega$$

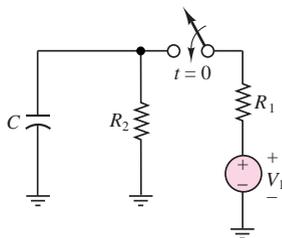


Figure P5.37

**5.38** Determine the voltage across the inductor just before and just after the switch is changed in Figure P5.38. Assume steady-state conditions exist for  $t < 0$ .

$$V_S = 12 \text{ V} \quad R_S = 0.24 \text{ } \Omega$$

$$R_1 = 33 \text{ k}\Omega \quad L = 100 \text{ mH}$$

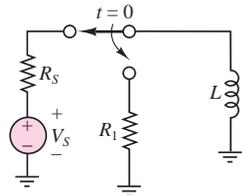


Figure P5.38

**5.39** Steady-state conditions exist in the circuit shown in Figure P5.27 for  $t < 0$ . The switch is closed at  $t = 0$ .

$$V_1 = 12 \text{ V} \quad C = 150 \text{ } \mu\text{F}$$

$$R_1 = 4 \text{ M}\Omega \quad R_2 = 80 \text{ M}\Omega$$

$$R_3 = 6 \text{ M}\Omega$$

Determine the time constant of the circuit for  $t > 0$ .

**5.40** Just before the switch is opened at  $t = 0$  in Figure P5.21, the current through the inductor is 1.70 mA in the direction shown.

$$V_S = 12 \text{ V} \quad L = 100 \text{ mH}$$

$$R_1 = 400 \text{ } \Omega \quad R_2 = 400 \text{ } \Omega$$

$$R_3 = 600 \text{ } \Omega$$

Determine the time constant of the circuit for  $t > 0$ .

**5.41** For the circuit shown in Figure P5.41, assume that switch  $S_1$  is always open and that switch  $S_2$  closes at  $t = 0$ .

- Find the capacitor voltage  $v_C(t)$  at  $t = 0^+$ .
- Find the time constant  $\tau$  for  $t \geq 0$ .
- Find an expression for  $v_C(t)$ , and sketch the function.
- Find  $v_C(t)$  for each of the following values of  $t$ :  $0, \tau, 2\tau, 5\tau, 10\tau$ .

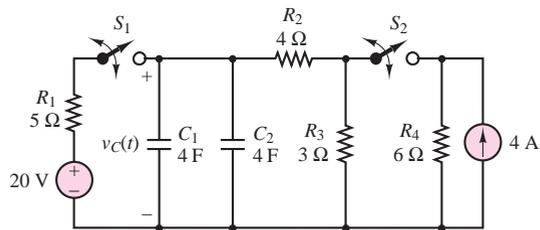


Figure P5.41

**5.42** For the circuit shown in Figure P5.41, assume that switch  $S_1$  has been open for a long time and closes at  $t = 0$ . Conversely, switch  $S_2$  has been closed and opens at  $t = 0$ .

- Find the capacitor voltage  $v_C(t)$  at  $t = 0^+$ .
- Find the time constant  $\tau$  for  $t \geq 0$ .
- Find an expression for  $v_C(t)$ , and sketch the function.
- Find  $v_C(t)$  for each of the following values of  $t$ :  $0, \tau, 2\tau, 5\tau, 10\tau$ .

**5.43** For the circuit of Figure P5.41, assume that switch  $S_2$  is always open, and that switch  $S_1$  has been closed for a long time and opens at  $t = 0$ . At  $t = t_1 = 3\tau$ , switch  $S_1$  closes again.

- Find the capacitor voltage  $v_C(t)$  at  $t = 0^+$ .
- Find an expression for  $v_C(t)$  for  $t > 0$ , and sketch the function.

**5.44** Assume that  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  close at  $t = 0$  in Figure P5.41.

- Find the capacitor voltage  $v_C(t)$  at  $t = 0^+$ .

- Find the time constant  $\tau$  for  $t \geq 0$ .
- Find an expression for  $v_C(t)$ , and sketch the function.
- Find  $v_C(t)$  for each of the following values of  $t$ :  $0, \tau, 2\tau, 5\tau, 10\tau$ .

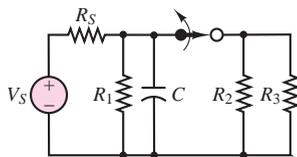
**5.45** In the circuit of Figure P5.41,  $S_1$  opens at  $t = 0$  and  $S_2$  opens at  $t = 48$  s.

- Find  $v_C(t = 0^+)$ .
- Find  $\tau$  for  $0 \leq t \leq 48$  s.
- Find an expression for  $v_C(t)$  valid for  $0 \leq t \leq 48$  s.
- Find  $\tau$  for  $t > 48$  s.
- Find an expression for  $v_C(t)$  valid for  $t > 48$  s.
- Plot  $v_C(t)$  for all time.

**5.46** For the circuit shown in Figure P5.41, assume that switch  $S_1$  opens at  $t = 96$  s and switch  $S_2$  opens at  $t = 0$ .

- Find the capacitor voltage at  $t = 0$ .
- Find the time constant for  $0 < t < 96$  s.
- Find an expression for  $v_C(t)$  when  $0 \leq t \leq 96$  s, and compute  $v_C(t = 96)$ .
- Find the time constant for  $t > 96$  s.
- Find an expression for  $v_C(t)$  when  $t > 96$  s.
- Plot  $v_C(t)$  for all time.

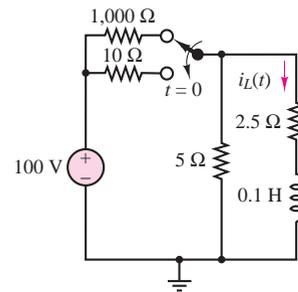
**5.47** For the circuit of Figure P5.47, determine the value of resistors  $R_1$  and  $R_2$ , knowing that the time constant before the switch opens is 1.5 ms, and it is 10 ms after the switch opens. Given:  $R_5 = 15 \text{ k}\Omega$ ,  $R_3 = 30 \text{ k}\Omega$ , and  $C = 1 \text{ }\mu\text{F}$ .



**Figure P5.47**

**5.48** For the circuit of Figure P5.47, assume  $V_S = 100 \text{ V}$ ,  $R_5 = 4 \text{ k}\Omega$ ,  $R_1 = 2 \text{ k}\Omega$ ,  $R_2 = R_3 = 6 \text{ k}\Omega$ ,  $C = 1 \text{ }\mu\text{F}$ , and the circuit is in a steady-state condition before the switch opens. Find the value of  $v_C$  2.666 ms after the switch opens.

**5.49** In the circuit of Figure P5.49, the switch changes position at  $t = 0$ . At what time will the current through the inductor be 5 A? Plot  $i_L(t)$ .



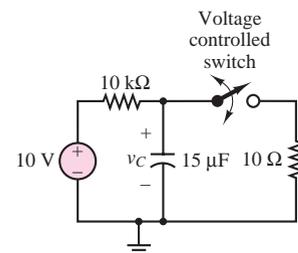
**Figure P5.49**

**5.50** Consider the circuit of Figure P5.49, and assume that the mechanical switching action requires 5 ms. Further assume that during this time, neither switch position has electrical contact. Find

- $i_L(t)$  for  $0 < t < 5$  ms
- The maximum voltage between the contacts during the 5-ms duration of the switching

*Hint:* This problem requires solving both a turn-off and a turn-on transient problem.

**5.51** The circuit of Figure P5.51 includes a model of a voltage-controlled switch. When the voltage across the capacitors reaches the value  $v_M^c$ , the switch is closed. When the capacitor voltage reaches the value  $v_M^o$ , the switch opens. If  $v_M^o = 1 \text{ V}$  and the period of the capacitor voltage waveform is 200 ms, find  $v_M^c$ .



**Figure P5.51**

**5.52** At  $t = 0$ , the switch in the circuit of Figure P5.52 closes. Assume that  $i_L(0) = 0 \text{ A}$ . For  $t \geq 0$ , find

- $i_L(t)$
- $v_{L_1}(t)$

**5.53** For the circuit of Figure P5.52, assume that the circuit is at steady state for  $t < 0$ . Find the voltage

across the 10-kΩ resistor in parallel with the switch for  $t \geq 0$ .

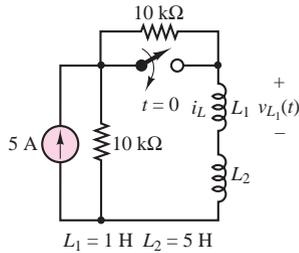


Figure P5.52

**5.54** We use an analogy between electric circuits and thermal conduction to analyze the behavior of a pot heating on an electric stove. We can model the heating element as shown in the circuit of Figure P5.54. Find the “heat capacity” of the burner,  $C_S$ , if the burner reaches 90 percent of the desired temperature in 10 seconds.

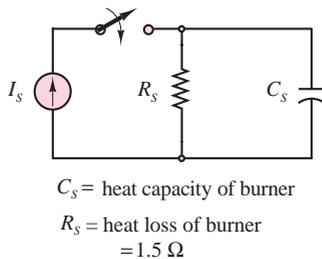


Figure P5.54

**5.55** With a pot placed on the burner of Problem 5.54, we can model the resulting thermal system with the circuit shown in Figure P5.55. The thermal loss between the burner and the pot is modeled by the series resistance  $R_L$ . The pot is modeled by a heat storage (thermal capacitance) element  $C_P$ , and a loss (thermal resistance) element,  $R_P$ .

- Find the final temperature of the water in the pot—that is, find  $v(t)$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ —if:  $I_S = 75 \text{ A}$ ;  $C_P = 80 \text{ F}$ ;  $R_L = 0.8 \Omega$ ;  $R_P = 2.5 \Omega$ , and the burner is the same as in Problem 5.54.
- How long will it take for the water to reach 80 percent of its final temperature?

*Hint:* Neglect  $C_S$  since  $C_S \ll C_P$ .

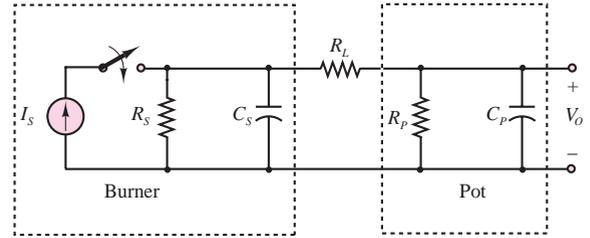


Figure P5.55

**5.56** The circuit of Figure P5.56 is used as a variable delay in a burglar alarm. The alarm is a siren with internal resistance of 1 kΩ. The alarm will not sound until the current  $i_L$  exceeds 100 μA. Find the range of the variable resistor,  $R$ , for which the delay is between 1 and 2 s. Assume the capacitor is initially uncharged. This problem will require a graphical or numerical solution.

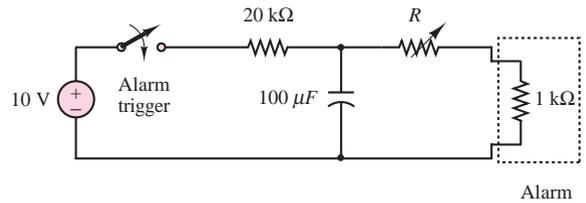


Figure P5.56

**5.57** Find the voltage across  $C_1$  in the circuit of Figure P5.57 for  $t > 0$ . Let  $C_1 = 5 \mu\text{F}$ ;  $C_2 = 10 \mu\text{F}$ . Assume the capacitors are initially uncharged.

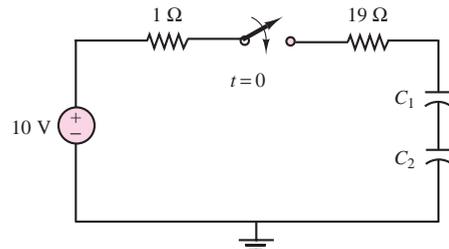


Figure P5.57

**5.58** The switch in the circuit of Figure P5.58 opens at  $t = 0$ . It closes at  $t = 10$  seconds.

- What is the time constant for  $9 < t < 10 \text{ s}$ ?
- What is the time constant for  $t > 10 \text{ s}$ ?

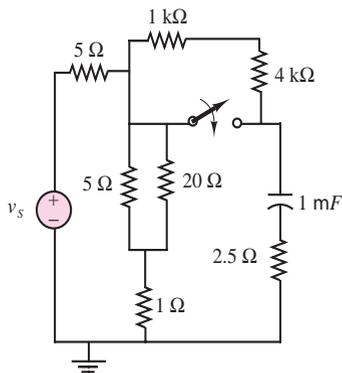
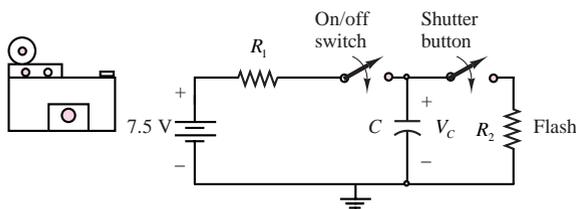


Figure P5.58

**5.59** The circuit of Figure P5.59 models the charging circuit of an electronic flash for a camera. As you know, after the flash is used, it takes some time for it to recharge.

- If the light that indicates that the flash is ready turns on when  $V_C = 0.99 \times 7.5$  V, how long will you have to wait before taking another picture?
- If the shutter button stays closed for  $1/30$  s, how much energy is delivered to the flash bulb, represented by  $R_2$ ? Assume that the capacitor has completely charged.
- If you do not wait till the flash is fully charged and you take a second picture 3 s after the flash is first turned on, how much energy is delivered to  $R_2$ ?



$$C = 1,500 \mu\text{F}, R_1 = 1,000 \Omega, R_2 = 1 \Omega$$

Figure P5.59

**5.60** The ideal current source in the circuit of Figure P5.60 switches between various current levels, as shown in the graph. Determine and sketch the voltage across the inductor,  $v_L(t)$  for  $t$  between 0 and 2 s.

You may assume that the current source has been at zero for a very long time before  $t = 0$ .

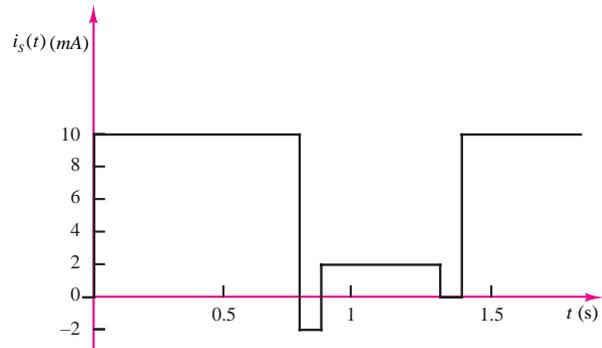
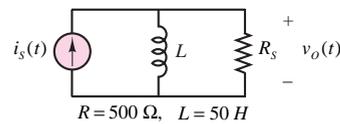


Figure P5.60

## Section 5.5: Transient Response of Second-Order Circuits

**5.61** In the circuit shown in Figure P5.61:

$$\begin{aligned} V_{S1} &= 15 \text{ V} & V_{S2} &= 9 \text{ V} \\ R_{S1} &= 130 \Omega & R_{S2} &= 290 \Omega \\ R_1 &= 1.1 \text{ k}\Omega & R_2 &= 700 \Omega \\ L &= 17 \text{ mH} & C &= 0.35 \mu\text{F} \end{aligned}$$

Assume that DC steady-state conditions exist for  $t < 0$ . Determine the voltage across the capacitor and the currents through the inductor and  $R_{S2}$  as  $t$  approaches infinity.

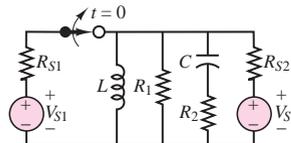


Figure P5.61

**5.62** In the circuit shown in Figure P5.61:

$$\begin{aligned} V_{S1} &= 12 \text{ V} & V_{S2} &= 12 \text{ V} \\ R_{S1} &= 50 \Omega & R_{S2} &= 50 \Omega \\ R_1 &= 2.2 \text{ k}\Omega & R_2 &= 600 \Omega \\ L &= 7.8 \text{ mH} & C &= 68 \mu\text{F} \end{aligned}$$

Assume that DC steady-state conditions exist at  $t < 0$ . Determine the voltage across the capacitor and the

current through the inductor as  $t$  approaches infinity. Remember to specify the polarity of the voltage and the direction of the current that you assume for your solution.

**5.63** If the switch in the circuit shown in Figure P5.63 is closed at  $t = 0$  and

$$\begin{aligned} V_S &= 170 \text{ V} & R_S &= 7 \text{ k}\Omega \\ R_1 &= 2.3 \text{ k}\Omega & R_2 &= 7 \text{ k}\Omega \\ L &= 30 \text{ mH} & C &= 130 \text{ }\mu\text{F} \end{aligned}$$

determine, after the circuit has returned to a steady state, the currents through the inductor and the voltages across the capacitor and  $R_1$ .

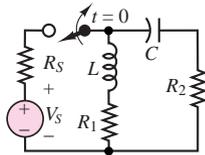


Figure P5.63

**5.64** If the switch in the circuit shown in Figure P5.64 is closed at  $t = 0$  and

$$\begin{aligned} V_S &= 12 \text{ V} & C &= 130 \text{ }\mu\text{F} \\ R_1 &= 2.3 \text{ k}\Omega & R_2 &= 7 \text{ k}\Omega \\ L &= 30 \text{ mH} \end{aligned}$$

determine the current through the inductor and the voltage across the capacitor and across  $R_1$  after the circuit has returned to a steady state.

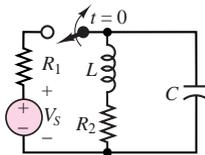


Figure P5.64

**5.65** If the switch in the circuit shown in Figure P5.65 is closed at  $t = 0$  and

$$\begin{aligned} V_S &= 12 \text{ V} & C &= 0.5 \text{ }\mu\text{F} \\ R_1 &= 31 \text{ k}\Omega & R_2 &= 22 \text{ k}\Omega \\ L &= 0.9 \text{ mH} \end{aligned}$$

determine the current through the inductor and the voltage across the capacitor after the circuit has returned to a steady state.

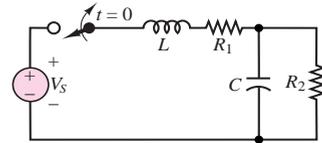


Figure P5.65

**5.66** At  $t < 0$ , the circuit shown in Figure P5.66 is at steady state, and the voltage across the capacitor is  $+7 \text{ V}$ . The switch is changed as shown at  $t = 0$ , and

$$\begin{aligned} V_S &= 12 \text{ V} & C &= 3,300 \text{ }\mu\text{F} \\ R_1 &= 9.1 \text{ k}\Omega & R_2 &= 4.3 \text{ k}\Omega \\ R_3 &= 4.3 \text{ k}\Omega & L &= 16 \text{ mH} \end{aligned}$$

Determine the initial voltage across  $R_2$  just after the switch is changed.

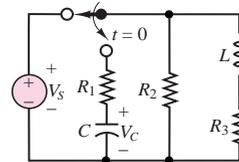


Figure P5.66

**5.67** In the circuit shown in Figure P5.67, assume that DC steady-state conditions exist for  $t < 0$ . Determine at  $t = 0^+$ , just after the switch is opened, the current through and voltage across the inductor and the capacitor and the current through  $R_{S2}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} V_{S1} &= 15 \text{ V} & V_{S2} &= 9 \text{ V} \\ R_{S1} &= 130 \text{ }\Omega & R_{S2} &= 290 \text{ }\Omega \\ R_1 &= 1.1 \text{ k}\Omega & R_2 &= 700 \text{ }\Omega \\ L &= 17 \text{ mH} & C &= 0.35 \text{ }\mu\text{F} \end{aligned}$$

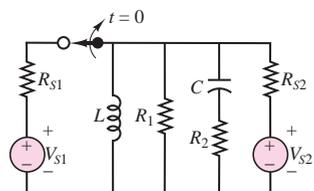


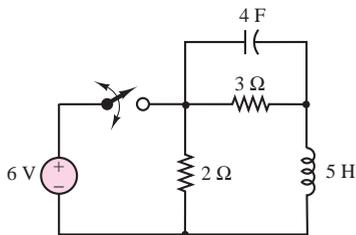
Figure P5.67

**5.68** In the circuit shown in Figure P5.67,

$$\begin{aligned} V_{S1} &= 12 \text{ V} & V_{S2} &= 12 \text{ V} \\ R_{S1} &= 50 \ \Omega & R_{S2} &= 50 \ \Omega \\ R_1 &= 2.2 \text{ k}\Omega & R_2 &= 600 \ \Omega \\ L &= 7.8 \text{ mH} & C &= 68 \ \mu\text{F} \end{aligned}$$

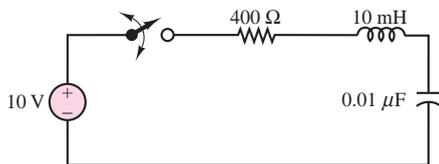
Assume that DC steady-state conditions exist for  $t < 0$ . Determine the voltage across the capacitor and the current through the inductor as  $t$  approaches infinity. Remember to specify the polarity of the voltage and the direction of the current that you assume for your solution.

**5.69** Assume the switch in the circuit of Figure P5.69 has been closed for a very long time. It is suddenly opened at  $t = 0$  and then reclosed at  $t = 5 \text{ s}$ . Determine an expression for the inductor current for  $t \geq 0$ .



**Figure P5.69**

**5.70** For the circuit of Figure P5.70, determine if it is underdamped or overdamped. Find also the capacitor value that results in critical damping.

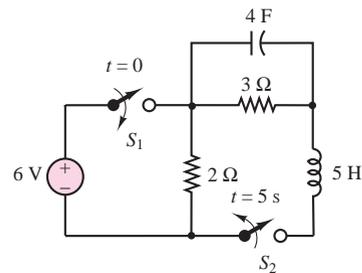


**Figure P5.70**

**5.71** Assume the circuit of Figure P5.70 initially stores no energy. The switch is closed at  $t = 0$ . Find

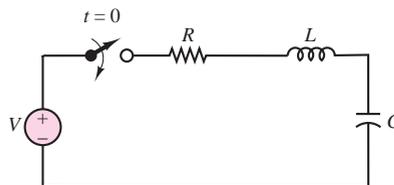
- Capacitor voltage as  $t$  approaches infinity
- Capacitor voltage after  $20 \ \mu\text{s}$
- Maximum capacitor voltage

**5.72** Assume the circuit of Figure P5.72 initially stores no energy. Switch  $S_1$  is open and  $S_2$  is closed. Switch  $S_1$  is closed at  $t = 0$ , and switch  $S_2$  is opened at  $t = 5 \text{ s}$ . Determine an expression for the capacitor voltage for  $t \geq 0$ .



**Figure P5.72**

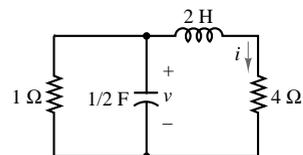
**5.73** Assume that the circuit shown in Figure P5.73 is underdamped and that the circuit initially has no energy stored. It has been observed that after the switch is closed at  $t = 0$ , the capacitor voltage reaches an initial peak value of  $70 \text{ V}$  when  $t = 5\pi/3 \ \mu\text{s}$  and a second peak value of  $53.2 \text{ V}$  when  $t = 5\pi \ \mu\text{s}$ , and it eventually approaches a steady-state value of  $50 \text{ V}$ . If  $C = 1.6 \text{ nF}$ , what are the values of  $R$  and  $L$ ?



**Figure P5.73**

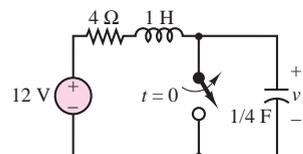
**5.74** Given the information provided in Problem 5.73, explain how to modify the circuit so that the first peak occurs at  $5\pi \ \mu\text{s}$ . Assume that  $C = 1.6 \ \mu\text{F}$ .

**5.75** Find  $i$  for  $t > 0$  in the circuit of Figure P5.75 if  $i(0) = 0 \text{ A}$  and  $v(0) = 10 \text{ V}$ .



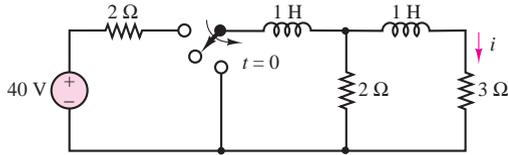
**Figure P5.75**

**5.76** Find the maximum value of  $v(t)$  for  $t > 0$  in the circuit of Figure P5.76 if the circuit is in steady state at  $t = 0^-$ .



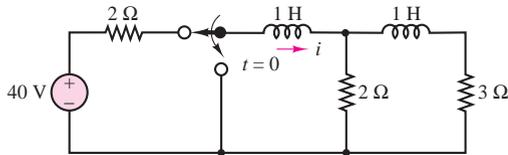
**Figure P5.76**

**5.77** For  $t > 0$ , determine for what value of  $t$   $i = 2.5$  A in the circuit of Figure P5.77 if the circuit is in steady state at  $t = 0^-$ .



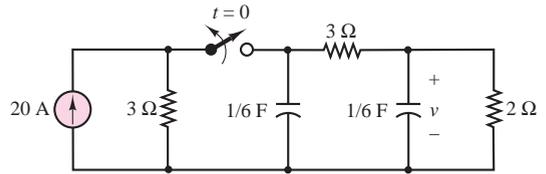
**Figure P5.77**

**5.78** For  $t > 0$ , determine for what value of  $t$   $i = 6$  A in the circuit of Figure P5.78 if the circuit is in steady state at  $t = 0^-$ .



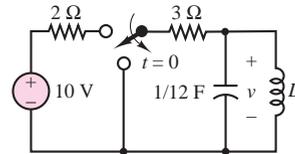
**Figure P5.78**

**5.79** For  $t > 0$ , determine for what value of  $t$   $v = 7.5$  V in the circuit of Figure P5.79 if the circuit is in steady state at  $t = 0^-$ .



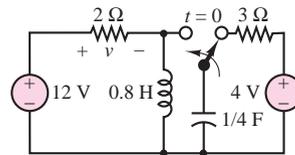
**Figure P5.79**

**5.80** The circuit of Figure P5.80 is in steady state at  $t = 0^-$ . Assume  $L = 3$  H; find the maximum value of  $v$  and the maximum voltage between the contacts of the switch.



**Figure P5.80**

**5.81** Find  $v$  for  $t > 0$  in the circuit of Figure P5.81 if the circuit is in steady state at  $t = 0^-$ .



**Figure P5.81**



# C H A P T E R

# 6

## FREQUENCY RESPONSE AND SYSTEM CONCEPTS

**C**hapter 4 introduced the notions of energy storage elements and dynamic circuit equations and developed appropriate tools (complex algebra and phasors) for the solution of AC circuits. In Chapter 5, we explored the solution of first- and second-order circuits subject to switching transients. The aim of this present chapter is to exploit AC circuit analysis methods to study the frequency response of electric circuits.

It is common, in engineering problems, to encounter phenomena that are frequency-dependent. For example, structures vibrate at a characteristic frequency when excited by wind forces (some high-rise buildings experience perceptible oscillation!). The propeller on a ship excites the shaft at a vibration frequency related to the engine's speed of rotation and to the number of blades on the propeller. An internal combustion engine is excited periodically by the combustion events in the individual cylinder, at a frequency determined by the firing of the cylinders. Wind blowing across a pipe excites a resonant vibration that is perceived as sound (wind instruments operate on this principle). Electric circuits are no different from other dynamic systems in this respect, and a large body of knowledge has been developed for understanding the frequency response of electric circuits, mostly based on the ideas behind phasors and impedance. These ideas, and the concept of filtering, will be explored in this chapter.

The ideas developed in this chapter will also be applied, by analogy, to the analysis of other physical systems (e.g., mechanical systems), to illustrate the generality of the concepts.

## Learning Objectives

1. Understand the physical significance of frequency domain analysis, and compute the frequency response of circuits using AC circuit analysis tools. *Section 6.1.*
2. Analyze simple first- and second-order electrical filters, and determine their frequency response and filtering properties. *Section 6.2.*
3. Compute the frequency response of a circuit and its graphical representation in the form of a Bode plot. *Section 6.3.*

## 6.1 SINUSOIDAL FREQUENCY RESPONSE

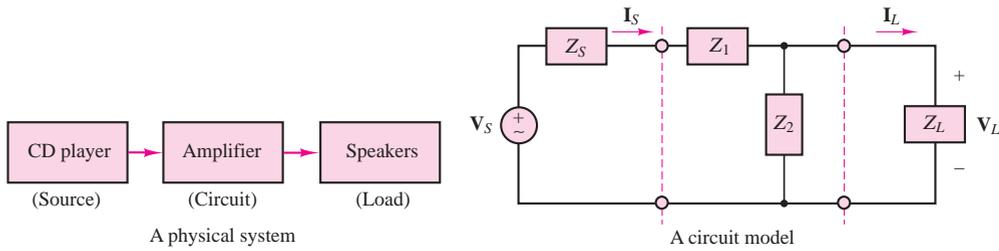
The **sinusoidal frequency response** (or, simply, **frequency response**) of a circuit provides a measure of how the circuit responds to sinusoidal inputs of arbitrary frequency. In other words, given the input signal amplitude, phase, and frequency, knowledge of the frequency response of a circuit permits the computation of the output signal. Suppose, for example, that you wanted to determine how the load voltage or current varied in response to different excitation signal frequencies in the circuit of Figure 6.1. An analogy could be made, for example, with how a speaker (the load) responds to the audio signal generated by a CD player (the source) when an amplifier (the circuit) is placed between the two.<sup>1</sup> In the circuit of Figure 6.1, the signal source circuitry is represented by its Thévenin equivalent. Recall that the impedance  $Z_S$  presented by the source to the remainder of the circuit is a function of the frequency of the source signal (Section 4.4). For the purpose of illustration, the amplifier circuit is represented by the idealized connection of two impedances  $Z_1$  and  $Z_2$ , and the load is represented by an additional impedance  $Z_L$ . What, then, is the frequency response of this circuit? The following is a fairly general definition:



The frequency response of a circuit is a measure of the variation of a load-related voltage or current as a function of the frequency of the excitation signal.

According to this definition, frequency response could be defined in a variety of ways. For example, we might be interested in determining how the load voltage varies as a function of the source voltage. Then analysis of the circuit of Figure 6.1 might proceed as follows.

<sup>1</sup>In reality, the circuitry in a high-fidelity stereo system is far more complex than the circuits discussed in this chapter and in the homework problems. However, from the standpoint of intuition and everyday experience, the audio analogy provides a useful example; it allows you to build a quick feeling for the idea of frequency response. Practically everyone has an intuitive idea of bass, midrange, and treble as coarsely defined frequency regions in the audio spectrum. The material presented in the next few sections should give you a more rigorous understanding of these concepts.

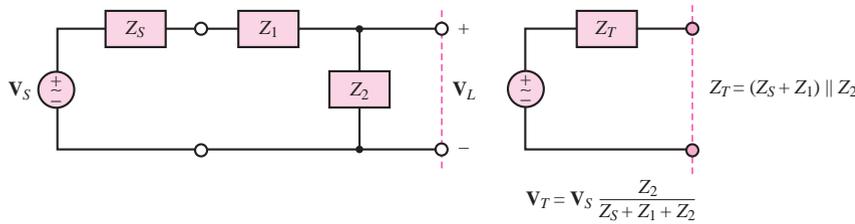


**Figure 6.1** A circuit model

To express the frequency response of a circuit in terms of variation in output voltage as a function of source voltage, we use the general formula

$$H_V(j\omega) = \frac{V_L(j\omega)}{V_S(j\omega)} \tag{6.1}$$

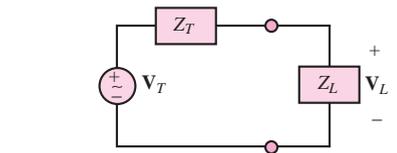
One method that allows for representation of the load voltage as a function of the source voltage (this is, in effect, what the frequency response of a circuit implies) is to describe the source and attached circuit by means of the Thévenin equivalent circuit. (This is not the only useful technique; the node voltage or mesh current equations for the circuit could also be employed.) Figure 6.2 depicts the original circuit of Figure 6.1 with the load removed, ready for the computation of the Thévenin equivalent.



**Figure 6.2** Thévenin equivalent source circuit

Next, an expression for the load voltage  $V_L$  may be found by connecting the load to the Thévenin equivalent source circuit and by computing the result of a simple voltage divider, as illustrated in Figure 6.3 and by the following equation:

$$\begin{aligned} V_L &= \frac{Z_L}{Z_L + Z_T} V_T \\ &= \frac{Z_L}{Z_L + (Z_s + Z_1)Z_2 / (Z_s + Z_1 + Z_2)} \cdot \frac{Z_2}{Z_s + Z_1 + Z_2} V_S \\ &= \frac{Z_L Z_2}{Z_L(Z_s + Z_1 + Z_2) + (Z_s + Z_1)Z_2} V_S \end{aligned}$$



**Figure 6.3** Complete equivalent circuit

Thus, the frequency response of the circuit, as defined in equation 6.1, is given by the expression

$$\frac{\mathbf{V}_L(j\omega)}{\mathbf{V}_S(j\omega)} = H_V(j\omega) = \frac{Z_L Z_2}{Z_L(Z_S + Z_1 + Z_2) + (Z_S + Z_1)Z_2} \quad (6.3)$$

The expression for  $H_V(j\omega)$  is therefore known if the impedances of the circuit elements are known. Note that  $H_V(j\omega)$  is a complex quantity (dimensionless, because it is the ratio of two voltages) and that it therefore follows that



$\mathbf{V}_L(j\omega)$  is a phase-shifted and amplitude-scaled version of  $\mathbf{V}_S(j\omega)$ .

If the phasor source voltage and the frequency response of the circuit are known, the phasor load voltage can be computed as follows:

$$\mathbf{V}_L(j\omega) = H_V(j\omega) \cdot \mathbf{V}_S(j\omega) \quad (6.4)$$

$$V_L e^{j\phi_L} = |H_V| e^{j\angle H_V} \cdot V_S e^{j\phi_S} \quad (6.5)$$

or

$$V_L e^{j\phi_L} = |H_V| V_S e^{j(\angle H_V + \phi_S)} \quad (6.6)$$

where

$$V_L = |H_V| \cdot V_S$$

and

$$\phi_L = \angle H_V + \phi_S \quad (6.7)$$

Thus, the effect of inserting a linear circuit between a source and a load is best understood by considering that, at any given frequency  $\omega$ , the load voltage is a sinusoid at the same frequency as the source voltage, with amplitude given by  $V_L = |H_V| \cdot V_S$  and phase equal to  $\phi_L = \angle H_V + \phi_S$ , where  $|H_V|$  is the magnitude of the frequency response and  $\angle H_V$  is its phase angle. Both  $|H_V|$  and  $\angle H_V$  are functions of frequency.



### EXAMPLE 6.1 Computing the Frequency Response of a Circuit by Using Equivalent Circuit Ideas

#### Problem

Compute the frequency response  $H_V(j\omega)$  for the circuit of Figure 6.4.

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:**  $R_1 = 1 \text{ k}\Omega$ ;  $C = 10 \text{ }\mu\text{F}$ ;  $R_L = 10 \text{ k}\Omega$ .

**Find:** The frequency response  $H_V(j\omega) = \mathbf{V}_L(j\omega)/\mathbf{V}_S(j\omega)$ .

**Assumptions:** None.

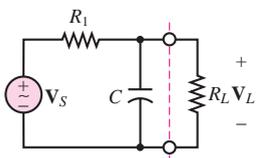


Figure 6.4

**Analysis:** To solve this problem, we use an equivalent circuit approach. Recognizing that  $R_L$  is the load resistance, we determine the equivalent circuit representation of the circuit to the left of the load, using the techniques perfected in Chapters 3 and 4. The Thévenin equivalent circuit is shown in Figure 6.5. Using the voltage divider rule and the equivalent circuit shown in the figure, we obtain the following expressions:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{V}_L &= \frac{Z_L}{Z_T + Z_L} \mathbf{V}_T \\ &= \frac{Z_L}{Z_1 Z_2 / (Z_1 + Z_2) + Z_L} \frac{Z_2}{Z_1 + Z_2} \mathbf{V}_S \\ &= H_V \mathbf{V}_S \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\frac{\mathbf{V}_L}{\mathbf{V}_S}(j\omega) = H_V(j\omega) = \frac{Z_L Z_2}{Z_L(Z_1 + Z_2) + Z_1 Z_2}$$

The impedances of the circuit elements are  $Z_1 = 10^3 \Omega$ ,  $Z_2 = 1/(j\omega \times 10^{-5}) \Omega$ , and  $Z_L = 10^4 \Omega$ . The resulting frequency response can be calculated to be

$$\begin{aligned} H_V(j\omega) &= \frac{10^4}{10^4 \left( 10^3 + \frac{1}{j\omega \times 10^{-5}} \right) + \frac{10^3}{j\omega \times 10^{-5}}} = \frac{100}{110 + j\omega} \\ &= \frac{100}{\sqrt{110^2 + \omega^2} e^{j \arctan(\frac{\omega}{110})}} = \frac{100}{\sqrt{110^2 + \omega^2}} \angle -\arctan\left(\frac{\omega}{110}\right) \end{aligned}$$

**Comments:** The use of equivalent circuit ideas is often helpful in deriving frequency response functions, because it naturally forces us to identify source and load quantities. However, it is certainly not the only method of solution. For example, node analysis would have yielded the same results just as easily, by recognizing that the top node voltage is equal to the load voltage and by solving directly for  $\mathbf{V}_L$  as a function of  $\mathbf{V}_S$ , without going through the intermediate step of computing the Thévenin equivalent source circuit.

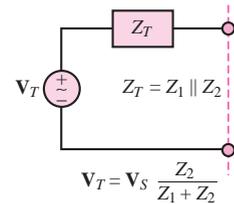


Figure 6.5

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Compute the magnitude and phase of the frequency response function at the frequencies  $\omega = 10, 100$ , and  $1,000$  rad/s.

Answers: Magnitude = 0.9054, 0.6727, and 0.0994; phase (degrees) = -5.1944, -42.2737, and -83.7227

The importance and usefulness of the frequency response concept lie in its ability to summarize the response of a circuit in a single function of frequency  $H(j\omega)$ ,

which can predict the load voltage or current at any frequency, given the input. Note that the frequency response of a circuit can be defined in four different ways:



$$\begin{aligned} H_V(j\omega) &= \frac{\mathbf{V}_L(j\omega)}{\mathbf{V}_S(j\omega)} & H_I(j\omega) &= \frac{\mathbf{I}_L(j\omega)}{\mathbf{I}_S(j\omega)} \\ H_Z(j\omega) &= \frac{\mathbf{V}_L(j\omega)}{\mathbf{I}_S(j\omega)} & H_Y(j\omega) &= \frac{\mathbf{I}_L(j\omega)}{\mathbf{V}_S(j\omega)} \end{aligned} \quad (6.8)$$

If  $H_V(j\omega)$  and  $H_I(j\omega)$  are known, one can directly derive the other two expressions:

$$H_Z(j\omega) = \frac{\mathbf{V}_L(j\omega)}{\mathbf{I}_S(j\omega)} = Z_L(j\omega) \frac{\mathbf{I}_L(j\omega)}{\mathbf{I}_S(j\omega)} = Z_L(j\omega) H_I(j\omega) \quad (6.9)$$

$$H_Y(j\omega) = \frac{\mathbf{I}_L(j\omega)}{\mathbf{V}_S(j\omega)} = \frac{1}{Z_L(j\omega)} \frac{\mathbf{V}_L(j\omega)}{\mathbf{V}_S(j\omega)} = \frac{1}{Z_L(j\omega)} H_V(j\omega) \quad (6.10)$$

The remainder of the chapter builds on equations (6.8) to give you all the tools needed to make use of the concept of frequency response.



### EXAMPLE 6.2 Computing the Frequency Response of a Circuit

#### Problem

Compute the frequency response  $H_Z(j\omega)$  for the circuit of Figure 6.6.

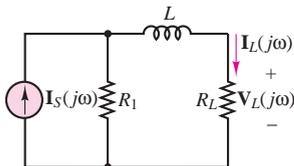


Figure 6.6

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:**  $R_1 = 1 \text{ k}\Omega$ ;  $L = 2 \text{ mH}$ ;  $R_L = 4 \text{ k}\Omega$ .

**Find:** The frequency response  $H_Z(j\omega) = \mathbf{V}_L(j\omega)/\mathbf{I}_S(j\omega)$ .

**Assumptions:** None.

**Analysis:** To determine expressions for the load voltage, we recognize that the load current can be obtained simply by using a current divider between the two branches connected to the current source, and that the load voltage is simply the product of the load current and  $R_L$ .

Using the current divider rule, we obtain the following expression for  $\mathbf{I}_L$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{I}_L &= \frac{1/(R_L + j\omega L)}{1/(R_L + j\omega L) + 1/R_1} \mathbf{I}_S \\ &= \frac{1}{1 + R_L/R_1 + j\omega L/R_1} \mathbf{I}_S \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\mathbf{V}_L(j\omega)}{\mathbf{I}_S} &= H_Z(j\omega) = \frac{I_L R_L}{I_S} \\ &= \frac{R_L}{1 + R_L/R_1 + j\omega L/R_1} \end{aligned}$$

Substituting numerical values, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} H_Z(j\omega) &= \frac{4 \times 10^3}{1 + 4 + j(2 \times 10^{-3} \omega)/10^3} \\ &= \frac{0.8 \times 10^3}{1 + j0.4 \times 10^{-6} \omega} \end{aligned}$$

**Comments:** You should verify that the units of the expression for  $H_Z(j\omega)$  are indeed ohms, as they should be from the definition of  $H_Z$ .

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Compute the magnitude and phase of the frequency response function at the frequencies  $\omega = 1$ , 10, and 100 rad/s.

Answers: Magnitude = 0.1857, 0.0485, and 0.0050; phase (degrees) = -21.8014, -75.9638, and -88.5679

## 6.2 FILTERS

There are many practical applications that involve filters of one kind or another. Just to mention two, filtration systems are used to eliminate impurities from drinking water, and sunglasses are used to filter out eye-damaging ultraviolet radiation and to reduce the intensity of sunlight reaching the eyes. An analogous concept applies to electric circuits: it is possible to *attenuate* (i.e., reduce in amplitude) or altogether eliminate signals of unwanted frequencies, such as those that may be caused by electrical noise or other forms of interference. This section will be devoted to the analysis of electrical filters.

### Low-Pass Filters

Figure 6.7 depicts a simple **RC filter** and denotes its input and output voltages, respectively, by  $\mathbf{V}_i$  and  $\mathbf{V}_o$ . The frequency response for the filter may be obtained by considering the function

$$H(j\omega) = \frac{\mathbf{V}_o(j\omega)}{\mathbf{V}_i(j\omega)} \quad (6.11)$$

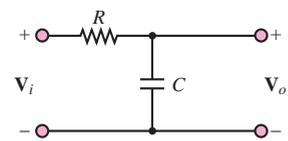
and noting that the output voltage may be expressed as a function of the input voltage by means of a voltage divider, as follows:

$$\mathbf{V}_o(j\omega) = \mathbf{V}_i(j\omega) \frac{1/j\omega C}{R + 1/j\omega C} = \mathbf{V}_i(j\omega) \frac{1}{1 + j\omega RC} \quad (6.12)$$

Thus, the frequency response of the RC filter is

$$\frac{\mathbf{V}_o(j\omega)}{\mathbf{V}_i(j\omega)} = \frac{1}{1 + j\omega CR} \quad (6.13)$$

RC low-pass filter. The circuit preserves lower frequencies while attenuating the frequencies above the cutoff frequency  $\omega_0 = 1/RC$ . The voltages  $\mathbf{V}_i$  and  $\mathbf{V}_o$  are the filter input and output voltages, respectively.



**Figure 6.7** A simple RC filter

An immediate observation upon studying this frequency response, is that if the signal frequency  $\omega$  is zero, the value of the frequency response function is 1. That is, the filter is passing all the input. Why? To answer this question, we note that at  $\omega = 0$ , the impedance of the capacitor,  $1/j\omega C$ , becomes infinite. Thus, the capacitor acts as an open circuit, and the output voltage equals the input:

$$\mathbf{V}_o(j\omega = 0) = \mathbf{V}_i(j\omega = 0) \quad (6.14)$$

Since a signal at sinusoidal frequency equal to zero is a DC signal, this filter circuit does not in any way affect DC voltages and currents. As the signal frequency increases, the magnitude of the frequency response decreases, since the denominator increases with  $\omega$ . More precisely, equations 6.15 to 6.18 describe the magnitude and phase of the frequency response of the RC filter:

$$\begin{aligned} H(j\omega) &= \frac{\mathbf{V}_o(j\omega)}{\mathbf{V}_i(j\omega)} = \frac{1}{1 + j\omega CR} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + (\omega CR)^2}} \frac{e^{j0}}{e^{j \arctan(\omega CR/1)}} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + (\omega CR)^2}} \cdot e^{-j \arctan(\omega CR)} \end{aligned} \quad (6.15)$$

or

$$H(j\omega) = |H(j\omega)| e^{j\angle H(j\omega)} \quad (6.16)$$

with

$$|H(j\omega)| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + (\omega CR)^2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + (\omega/\omega_0)^2}} \quad (6.17)$$

and

$$\angle H(j\omega) = -\arctan(\omega CR) = -\arctan \frac{\omega}{\omega_0} \quad (6.18)$$

with

$$\omega_0 = \frac{1}{RC} \quad (6.19)$$

The simplest way to envision the effect of the filter is to think of the phasor voltage  $\mathbf{V}_i = V_i e^{j\phi_i}$  scaled by a factor of  $|H|$  and shifted by a phase angle  $\angle H$  by the filter at each frequency, so that the resultant output is given by the phasor  $V_o e^{j\phi_o}$ , with

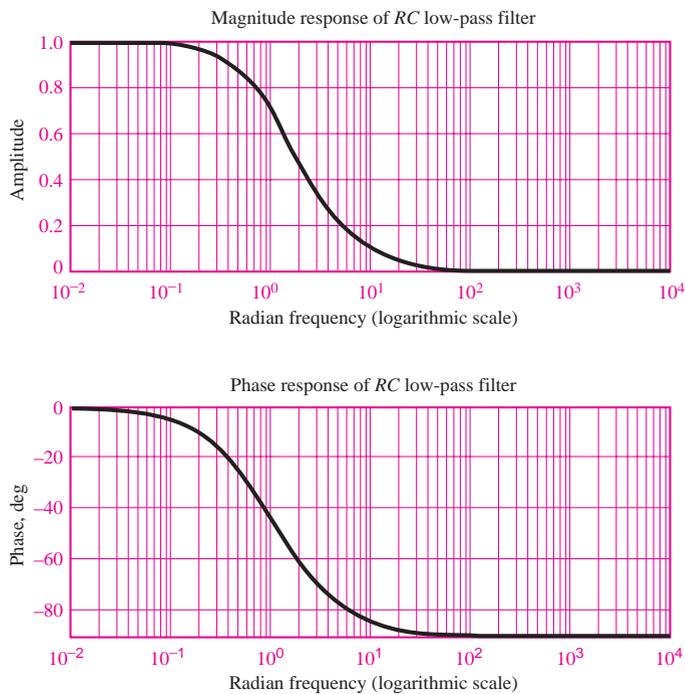
$$V_o = |H| \cdot V_i \quad (6.20)$$

$$\phi_o = \angle H + \phi_i$$

and where  $|H|$  and  $\angle H$  are functions of frequency. The frequency  $\omega_0$  is called the **cutoff frequency** of the filter and, as will presently be shown, gives an indication of the filtering characteristics of the circuit.

It is customary to represent  $H(j\omega)$  in two separate plots, representing  $|H|$  and  $\angle H$  as functions of  $\omega$ . These are shown in Figure 6.8 in normalized form, that is, with  $|H|$  and  $\angle H$  plotted versus  $\omega/\omega_0$ , corresponding to a cutoff frequency  $\omega_0 = 1$  rad/s. Note that, in the plot, the frequency axis has been scaled logarithmically. This is a common practice in electrical engineering, because it enables viewing a very broad range of frequencies on the same plot without excessively compressing the low-frequency end of the plot. The frequency response plots of Figure 6.8 are commonly

employed to describe the frequency response of a circuit, since they can provide a clear idea at a glance of the effect of a filter on an excitation signal. For example, the  $RC$  filter of Figure 6.7 has the property of “passing” signals at low frequencies ( $\omega \ll 1/RC$ ) and of filtering out signals at high frequencies ( $\omega \gg 1/RC$ ). This type of filter is called a **low-pass filter**. The cutoff frequency  $\omega = 1/RC$  has a special significance in that it represents—approximately—the point where the filter begins to filter out the higher-frequency signals. The value of  $|H(j\omega)|$  at the cutoff frequency is  $1/\sqrt{2} = 0.707$ . Note how the cutoff frequency depends exclusively on the values of  $R$  and  $C$ . Therefore, one can adjust the filter response as desired simply by selecting appropriate values for  $C$  and  $R$ , and therefore one can choose the desired filtering characteristics.



**Figure 6.8** Magnitude and phase response plots for  $RC$  filter

### EXAMPLE 6.3 Frequency Response of $RC$ Filter



#### Problem

Compute the response of the  $RC$  filter of Figure 6.7 to sinusoidal inputs at the frequencies of 60 and 10,000 Hz.

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:**  $R = 1 \text{ k}\Omega$ ;  $C = 0.47 \text{ }\mu\text{F}$ ;  $v_i(t) = 5 \cos(\omega t) \text{ V}$ .

**Find:** The output voltage  $v_o(t)$  at each frequency.

**Assumptions:** None.

**Analysis:** In this problem, we know the input signal voltage and the frequency response of the circuit (equation 6.15), and we need to find the output voltage at two different frequencies. If we represent the voltages in phasor form, we can use the frequency response to calculate the desired quantities:

$$\frac{\mathbf{V}_o(j\omega)}{\mathbf{V}_i(j\omega)} = H_V(j\omega) = \frac{1}{1 + j\omega CR}$$

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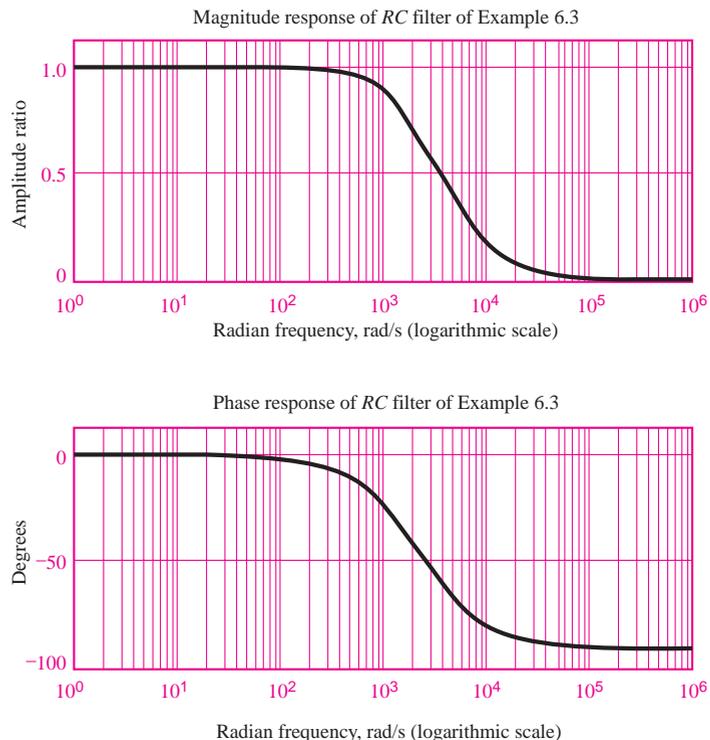
If we recognize that the cutoff frequency of the filter is  $\omega_0 = 1/RC = 2,128$  rad/s, we can write the expression for the frequency response in the form of equations 6.17 and 6.18:

$$H_V(j\omega) = \frac{1}{1 + j\omega/\omega_0} \quad |H_V(j\omega)| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + (\omega/\omega_0)^2}} \quad \angle H(j\omega) = -\arctan\left(\frac{\omega}{\omega_0}\right)$$

Next, we recognize that at  $\omega = 120\pi$  rad/s, the ratio  $\omega/\omega_0 = 0.177$ , and at  $\omega = 20,000\pi$ ,  $\omega/\omega_0 = 29.5$ . Thus we compute the output voltage at each frequency as follows:

$$\mathbf{V}_o(\omega = 2\pi 60) = \frac{1}{1 + j0.177}\mathbf{V}_i(\omega = 2\pi 60) = 0.985 \times 5\angle -0.175 \text{ V}$$

$$\mathbf{V}_o(\omega = 2\pi 10,000) = \frac{1}{1 + j29.5}\mathbf{V}_i(\omega = 2\pi 10,000) = 0.0345 \times 5\angle -1.537 \text{ V}$$



**Figure 6.9** Response of RC filter of Example 6.3

And finally, we write the time-domain response for each frequency:

$$\begin{aligned} v_o(t) &= 4.923 \cos(2\pi 60t - 0.175) \text{ V} & \text{at } \omega &= 2\pi 60 \text{ rad/s} \\ v_o(t) &= 0.169 \cos(2\pi 10,000t - 1.537) \text{ V} & \text{at } \omega &= 2\pi 10,000 \text{ rad/s} \end{aligned}$$

The magnitude and phase responses of the filter are plotted in Figure 6.9. It should be evident from these plots that only the low-frequency components of the signal are passed by the filter. This low-pass filter would pass only the *bass range* of the audio spectrum.

**Comments:** Can you think of a very quick, approximate way of obtaining the answer to this problem from the magnitude and phase plots of Figure 6.9? Try to multiply the input voltage amplitude by the magnitude response at each frequency, and determine the phase shift at each frequency. Your answer should be pretty close to the one computed analytically.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

A simple  $RC$  low-pass filter is constructed using a  $10\text{-}\mu\text{F}$  capacitor and a  $2.2\text{-k}\Omega$  resistor. Over what range of frequencies will the output of the filter be within 1 percent of the input signal amplitude (i.e., when will  $V_L \geq 0.99V_S$ )?

Answer:  $0 \leq \omega \leq 6.48 \text{ rad/s}$

## EXAMPLE 6.4 Frequency Response of $RC$ Low-Pass Filter in a More Realistic Circuit



### Problem

Compute the response of the  $RC$  filter in the circuit of Figure 6.10.

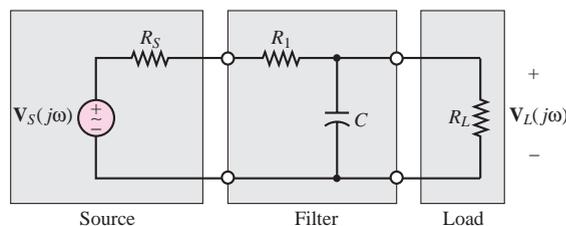
### Solution

**Known Quantities:**  $R_S = 50 \Omega$ ;  $R_1 = 200 \Omega$ ;  $R_L = 500 \Omega$ ;  $C = 10 \mu\text{F}$ .

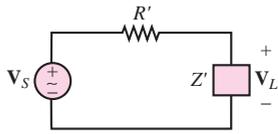
**Find:** The output voltage  $v_o(t)$  at each frequency.

**Assumptions:** None.

**Analysis:** The circuit shown in this problem is a more realistic representation of a filtering problem, in that we have inserted the  $RC$  filter circuit between source and load circuits (where



**Figure 6.10**  $RC$  filter inserted in a circuit



**Figure 6.11** Equivalent circuit representation of Figure 6.10

the source and load are simply represented in equivalent form). To determine the response of the circuit, we compute the Thévenin equivalent representation of the circuit with respect to the load, as shown in Figure 6.11. Let  $R' = R_S + R_1$  and

$$Z' = R_L \parallel \frac{1}{j\omega C} = \frac{R_L}{1 + j\omega CR_L}$$

Then the circuit response may be computed as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\mathbf{V}_L(j\omega)}{\mathbf{V}_S} &= \frac{Z'}{R' + Z'} \\ &= \frac{R_L/(1 + j\omega CR_L)}{R_S + R_1 + R_L/(1 + j\omega CR_L)} \\ &= \frac{R_L}{R_L + R_S + R_1 + j\omega CR_L(R_S + R_1)} \\ &= \frac{R_L/(R_L + R')}{1 + j\omega CR_L \parallel R'} \end{aligned}$$

The above expression can be written as follows:

$$H(j\omega) = \frac{R_L/(R_L + R')}{1 + j\omega CR_L \parallel R'} = \frac{K}{1 + j\omega CR_{EQ}} = \frac{0.667}{1 + j(\omega/600)}$$

**Comments:** Note the similarity and difference between the above expression and equation 6.13: The numerator is different from 1, because of the voltage divider effect resulting from the source and load resistances, and the cutoff frequency is given by the expression

$$\omega_0 = \frac{1}{CR_{EQ}}$$

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Connect the filter of Example 6.3 to a 1-V sinusoidal source with internal resistance of  $50 \Omega$  to form a circuit similar to that of Figure 6.10. Determine the circuit cutoff frequency  $\omega_0$  if the load resistance is  $470 \Omega$ .

Answer:  $\omega_0 = 6,553.3 \text{ rad/s}$

## EXAMPLE 6.5 Filter Attenuation

### Problem

A low-pass filter has the frequency response given by the function shown below. Determine at which frequency the output of the filter has magnitude equal to 10 percent of the magnitude of the input.

$$H(j\omega) = \frac{K}{(j\omega/\omega_1 + 1)(j\omega/\omega_2 + 1)}$$

**Solution**

**Known Quantities:** Frequency response function of a filter.

**Find:** Frequency  $\omega_{10\%}$  at which the output peak amplitude is equal to 10 percent of the input peak amplitude.

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $K = 1$ ;  $\omega_1 = 100$ ;  $\omega_2 = 1,000$ .

**Assumptions:** None.

**Analysis:** The statement of the problem is equivalent to asking for what value of  $\omega$  the magnitude of the frequency response is equal to  $0.1K$ . Since  $K = 1$ , we can formulate the problem as follows.

$$|H(j\omega)| = \left| \frac{K}{(j\omega/\omega_1 + 1)(j\omega/\omega_2 + 1)} \right| = 0.1K$$

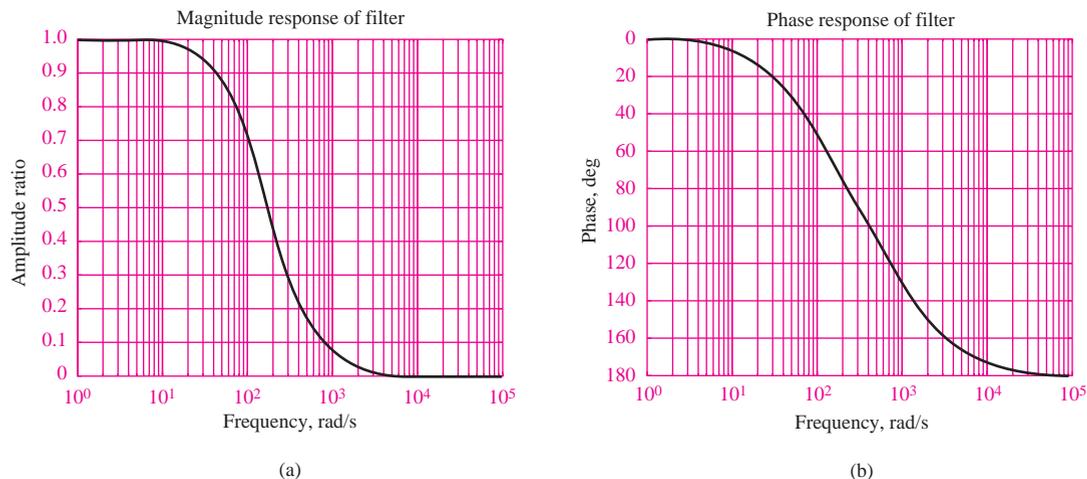
$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{(1 - \omega^2/\omega_1\omega_2)^2 + \omega^2(1/\omega_1 + 1/\omega_2)^2}} = 0.1$$

Now let  $\Omega = \omega^2$ , and expand the above expression:

$$\left(1 - \frac{\Omega}{\omega_1\omega_2}\right)^2 + \Omega\left(\frac{1}{\omega_1} + \frac{1}{\omega_2}\right)^2 = 100$$

$$\Omega^2 + \left[(\omega_1\omega_2)^2\left(\frac{1}{\omega_1} + \frac{1}{\omega_2}\right)^2 - 2\omega_1\omega_2\right]\Omega - 99(\omega_1\omega_2)^2 = 0$$

Substituting numerical values in the expression, we obtain a quadratic equation that can be solved to obtain the roots  $\Omega = -1.6208 \times 10^6$  and  $\Omega = 0.6108 \times 10^6$ . Selecting the positive root as the only physically possible solution (negative frequencies do not have a physical meaning), we can then solve for  $\omega = \sqrt{\Omega} = 782$  rad/s. Figure 6.12(a) depicts the magnitude response of the filter; you can see that around the frequency of 300 rad/s, the magnitude response is indeed close to 0.1. The phase response is shown in Figure 6.12(b).



**Figure 6.12** Frequency response of filter of Example 6.5. (a) Magnitude response; (b) phase response

**Comments:** This type of problem, which recurs in the homework assignments, can be solved numerically, as done here, or graphically, as illustrated in the next exercise.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

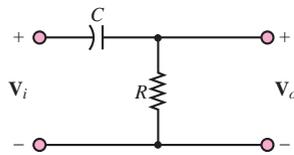
Use the phase response plot of Figure 6.12(b) to determine at which frequency the phase shift introduced in the input signal by the filter is equal to  $-90^\circ$ .

Answer:  $\omega = 300$  rad/s (approximately)

Much more complex low-pass filters than the simple  $RC$  combinations shown so far can be designed by using appropriate combinations of various circuit elements. The synthesis of such advanced filter networks is beyond the scope of this book; however, we discuss the practical implementation of some commonly used filters in Chapter 8, in connection with the discussion of the operational amplifier. The next two sections extend the basic ideas introduced in the preceding pages to high-pass and bandpass filters, that is, to filters that emphasize the higher frequencies or a band of frequencies, respectively.

## High-Pass Filters

$RC$  high-pass filter. The circuit preserves higher frequencies while attenuating the frequencies below the cutoff frequency  $\omega_0 = 1/RC$ .



**Figure 6.13** High-pass filter

Just as you can construct a simple filter that preserves low frequencies and attenuates higher frequencies, you can easily construct a **high-pass filter** that passes mainly those frequencies *above a certain cutoff frequency*. The analysis of a simple high-pass filter can be conducted by analogy with the preceding discussion of the low-pass filter. Consider the circuit shown in Figure 6.13. The frequency response for the high-pass filter

$$H(j\omega) = \frac{\mathbf{V}_o}{\mathbf{V}_i}(j\omega)$$

may be obtained by noting that

$$\mathbf{V}_o(j\omega) = \mathbf{V}_i(j\omega) \frac{R}{R + 1/j\omega C} = \mathbf{V}_i(j\omega) \frac{j\omega CR}{1 + j\omega CR} \quad (6.21)$$

Thus, the frequency response of the filter is

$$\frac{\mathbf{V}_o}{\mathbf{V}_i}(j\omega) = \frac{j\omega CR}{1 + j\omega CR} \quad (6.22)$$

which can be expressed in magnitude-and-phase form by

$$\begin{aligned} H(j\omega) &= \frac{\mathbf{V}_o}{\mathbf{V}_i}(j\omega) = \frac{j\omega CR}{1 + j\omega CR} = \frac{\omega CR e^{j\pi/2}}{\sqrt{1 + (\omega CR)^2} e^{j \arctan(\omega CR/1)}} \\ &= \frac{\omega CR}{\sqrt{1 + (\omega CR)^2}} \cdot e^{j[\pi/2 - \arctan(\omega CR)]} \end{aligned}$$

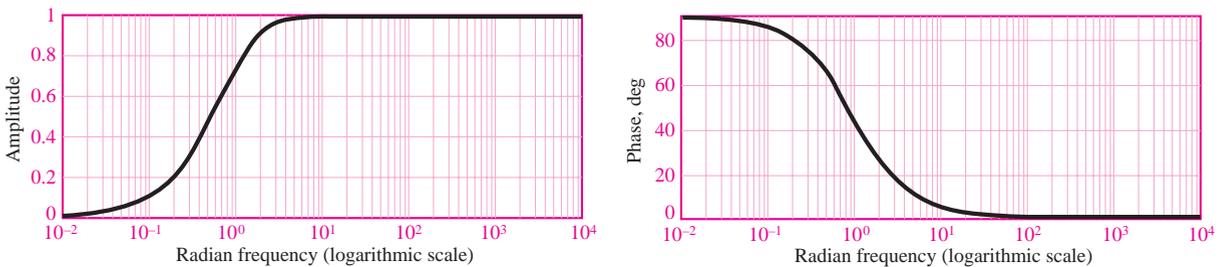
or

$$H(j\omega) = |H| e^{j\angle H} \quad (6.23)$$

with

$$\begin{aligned} |H(j\omega)| &= \frac{\omega CR}{\sqrt{1 + (\omega CR)^2}} \\ \angle H(j\omega) &= 90^\circ - \arctan(\omega CR) \end{aligned} \quad (6.24)$$

You can verify by inspection that the amplitude response of the high-pass filter will be zero at  $\omega = 0$  and will asymptotically approach 1 as  $\omega$  approaches infinity, while the phase shift is  $\pi/2$  at  $\omega = 0$  and tends to zero for increasing  $\omega$ . Amplitude-and-phase response curves for the high-pass filter are shown in Figure 6.14. These plots have been normalized to have the filter cutoff frequency  $\omega_0 = 1$  rad/s. Note that, once again, it is possible to define a cutoff frequency at  $\omega_0 = 1/RC$  in the same way as was done for the low-pass filter.



**Figure 6.14** Frequency response of a high-pass filter

### EXAMPLE 6.6 Frequency Response of RC High-Pass Filter



#### Problem

Compute the response of the RC filter in the circuit of Figure 6.13. Evaluate the response of the filter at  $\omega = 2\pi \times 100$  and  $2\pi \times 10,000$  rad/s.

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:**  $R = 200 \Omega$ ;  $C = 0.199 \mu\text{F}$ .

**Find:** The frequency response  $H_V(j\omega)$ .

**Assumptions:** None.

**Analysis:** We first recognize that the cutoff frequency of the high-pass filter is  $\omega_0 = 1/RC = 2\pi \times 4,000$  rad/s. Next, we write the frequency response as in equation 6.22:

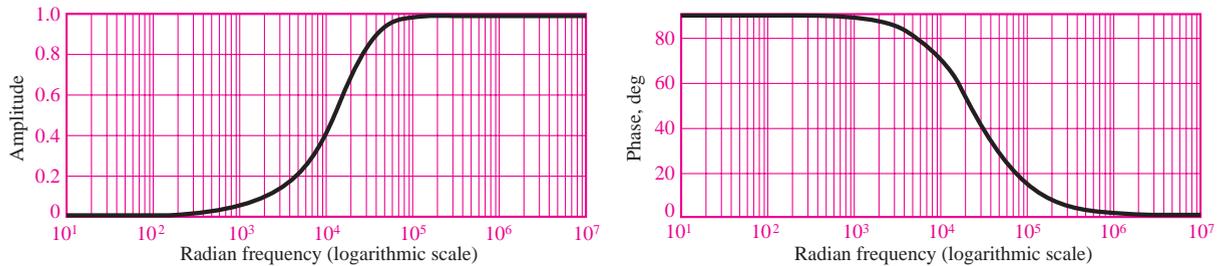
$$\begin{aligned} H_V(j\omega) &= \frac{\mathbf{V}_o}{\mathbf{V}_i}(j\omega) = \frac{j\omega CR}{1 + j\omega CR} \\ &= \frac{\omega/\omega_0}{\sqrt{1 + (\omega/\omega_0)^2}} \angle \left( \frac{\pi}{2} - \arctan\left(\frac{\omega}{\omega_0}\right) \right) \end{aligned}$$

We can now evaluate the response at the two frequencies:

$$H_V(\omega = 2\pi \times 100) = \frac{100/4,000}{\sqrt{1 + (100/4,000)^2}} \angle \left( \frac{\pi}{2} - \arctan \left( \frac{100}{4,000} \right) \right) = 0.025 \angle 1.546$$

$$\begin{aligned} H_V(\omega = 2\pi \times 10,000) &= \frac{10,000/4,000}{\sqrt{1 + (10,000/4,000)^2}} \angle \left( \frac{\pi}{2} - \arctan \left( \frac{10,000}{4,000} \right) \right) \\ &= 0.929 \angle 0.38 \end{aligned}$$

The frequency response plots are shown in Figure 6.15.

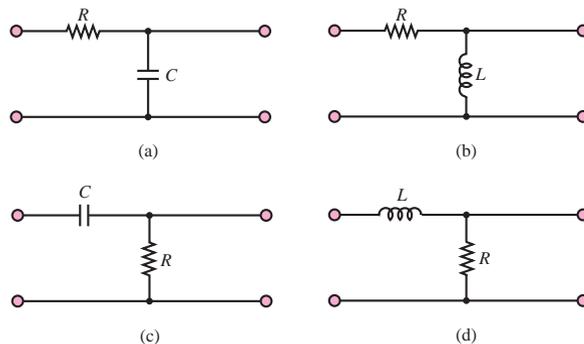


**Figure 6.15** Response of high-pass filter of Example 6.6

**Comments:** The effect of this high-pass filter is to preserve the amplitude of the input signal at frequencies substantially greater than  $\omega_0$ , while signals at frequencies below  $\omega_0$  would be strongly attenuated. With  $\omega_0 = 2\pi \times 4,000$  (that is, 4,000 Hz), this filter would pass only the *treble range* of the audio frequency spectrum.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Determine the cutoff frequency for each of the four “prototype” filters shown below. Which are high-pass and which are low-pass?



Show that it is possible to obtain a high-pass filter response simply by substituting an inductor for the capacitor in the circuit of Figure 6.7. Derive the frequency response for the circuit.

$$|H(j\omega)| = \frac{R}{\sqrt{R^2 + (\omega L - 1/\omega C)^2}}$$

**Bandpass Filters, Resonance, and Quality Factor**

Building on the principles developed in the preceding sections, we can also construct a circuit that acts as a **bandpass filter**, passing mainly those frequencies *within a certain frequency range*. The analysis of a simple *second-order* bandpass filter (i.e., a filter with two energy storage elements) can be conducted by analogy with the preceding discussions of the low-pass and high-pass filters. Consider the circuit shown in Figure 6.16 and the related frequency response function for the filter

$$H(j\omega) = \frac{V_o}{V_i}(j\omega)$$

Noting that

$$V_o(j\omega) = V_i(j\omega) \frac{R}{R + 1/j\omega C + j\omega L} = V_i(j\omega) \frac{j\omega CR}{1 + j\omega CR + (j\omega)^2 LC}$$
(6.25)

we may write the frequency response of the filter as

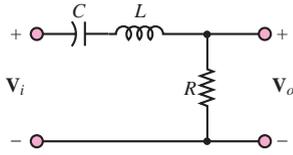
$$\frac{V_o}{V_i}(j\omega) = \frac{j\omega CR}{1 + j\omega CR + (j\omega)^2 LC}$$
(6.26)

Equation 6.26 can often be factored into the form

$$\frac{V_o}{V_i}(j\omega) = \frac{jA\omega}{(j\omega/\omega_1 + 1)(j\omega/\omega_2 + 1)}$$
(6.27)

where  $\omega_1$  and  $\omega_2$  are the two frequencies that determine the **passband** (or **bandwidth**) of the filter—that is, the frequency range over which the filter “passes” the input signal—and  $A$  is a constant that results from the factoring. An immediate observation we can make is that if the signal frequency  $\omega$  is zero, the response of the filter is equal to zero, since at  $\omega = 0$  the impedance of the capacitor  $1/j\omega C$  becomes infinite. Thus, the capacitor acts as an open circuit, and the output voltage equals zero. Further, we note that the filter output in response to an input signal at sinusoidal frequency approaching infinity is again equal to zero. This result can be verified by considering that as  $\omega$  approaches infinity, the impedance of the inductor becomes infinite, that is, an open circuit. Thus, the filter cannot pass signals at very high frequencies. In an intermediate band of frequencies, the bandpass filter circuit will provide a variable attenuation of the input signal, dependent on the frequency of the excitation. This

*RLC* bandpass filter. The circuit preserves frequencies within a band.



**Figure 6.16** *RLC* bandpass filter

may be verified by taking a closer look at equation 6.27:

$$\begin{aligned}
 H(j\omega) &= \frac{\mathbf{V}_o}{\mathbf{V}_i}(j\omega) = \frac{jA\omega}{(j\omega/\omega_1 + 1)(j\omega/\omega_2 + 1)} \\
 &= \frac{A\omega e^{j\pi/2}}{\sqrt{1 + (\omega/\omega_1)^2} \sqrt{1 + (\omega/\omega_2)^2} e^{j \arctan(\omega/\omega_1)} e^{j \arctan(\omega/\omega_2)}} \\
 &= \frac{A\omega}{\sqrt{[1 + (\omega/\omega_1)^2][1 + (\omega/\omega_2)^2]}} e^{j[\pi/2 - \arctan(\omega/\omega_1) - \arctan(\omega/\omega_2)]}
 \end{aligned} \tag{6.28}$$

Equation 6.28 is of the form  $H(j\omega) = |H|e^{j\angle H}$ , with

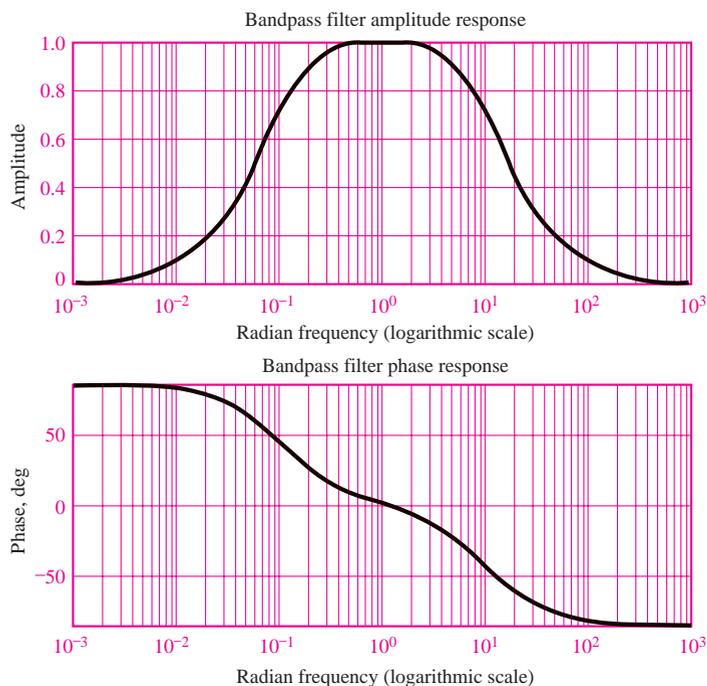
$$|H(j\omega)| = \frac{A\omega}{\sqrt{[1 + (\omega/\omega_1)^2][1 + (\omega/\omega_2)^2]}} \tag{6.29}$$

and

$$\angle H(j\omega) = \frac{\pi}{2} - \arctan \frac{\omega}{\omega_1} - \arctan \frac{\omega}{\omega_2}$$

The magnitude and phase plots for the frequency response of the bandpass filter of Figure 6.16 are shown in Figure 6.17. These plots have been normalized to have the filter passband centered at the frequency  $\omega = 1$  rad/s.

The frequency response plots of Figure 6.17 suggest that, in some sense, the bandpass filter acts as a combination of a high-pass and a low-pass filter. As illustrated in the previous cases, it should be evident that one can adjust the filter response as desired simply by selecting appropriate values for  $L$ ,  $C$ , and  $R$ .



**Figure 6.17** Frequency responses of RLC bandpass filter

## Resonance and Bandwidth

The response of second-order filters can be explained more generally by rewriting the frequency response function of the second-order bandpass filter of Figure 6.16 in the following forms:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{V_o}{V_i}(j\omega) &= \frac{j\omega CR}{LC(j\omega)^2 + j\omega CR + 1} \\ &= \frac{(2\zeta/\omega_n)j\omega}{(j\omega/\omega_n)^2 + (2\zeta/\omega_n)j\omega + 1} \\ &= \frac{(1/Q\omega_n)j\omega}{(j\omega/\omega_n)^2 + (1/Q\omega_n)j\omega + 1}\end{aligned}\quad (6.30)$$

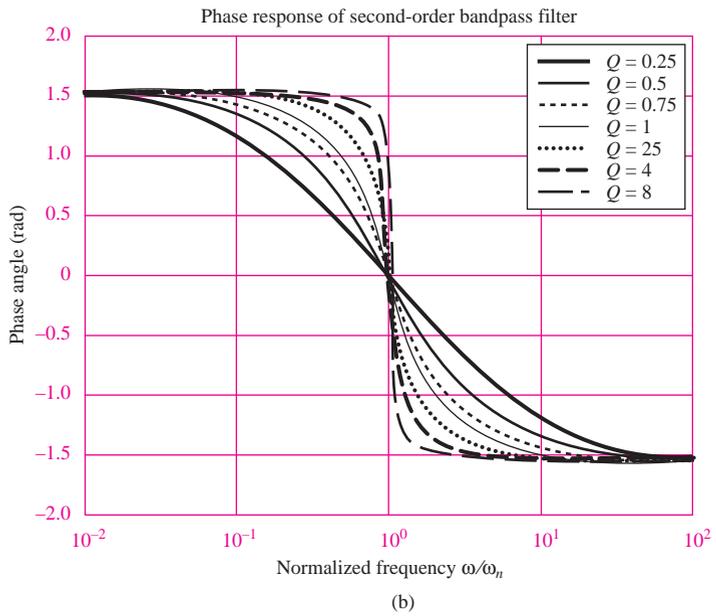
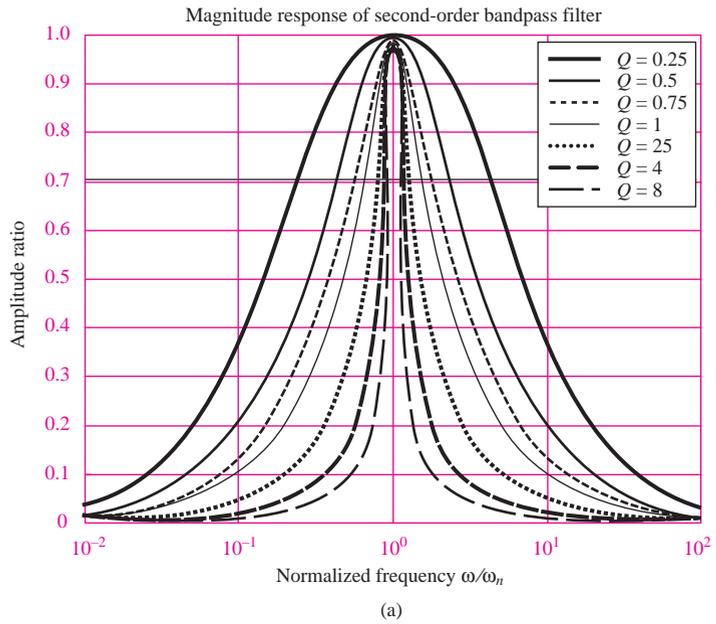
with the following definitions:<sup>2</sup>

$$\begin{aligned}\omega_n &= \sqrt{\frac{1}{LC}} = \text{natural or resonant frequency} \\ Q &= \frac{1}{2\zeta} = \frac{1}{\omega_n CR} = \frac{1}{R}\sqrt{\frac{L}{C}} = \text{quality factor} \\ \zeta &= \frac{1}{2Q} = \frac{R}{2}\sqrt{\frac{C}{L}} = \text{damping ratio}\end{aligned}\quad (6.31)$$



Figure 6.18 depicts the normalized frequency response (magnitude and phase) of the second-order bandpass filter for  $\omega_n = 1$  and various values of  $Q$  (and  $\zeta$ ). The peak displayed in the frequency response around the frequency  $\omega_n$  is called a *resonant peak*, and  $\omega_n$  is the **resonant frequency**. Note that as the **quality factor**  $Q$  increases, the sharpness of the resonance increases and the filter becomes increasingly *selective* (i.e., it has the ability to filter out most frequency components of the input signals except for a narrow band around the resonant frequency). One measure of the selectivity of a bandpass filter is its **bandwidth**. The concept of bandwidth can be easily visualized in the plot of Figure 6.18(a) by drawing a horizontal line across the plot (we have chosen to draw it at the amplitude ratio value of 0.707 for reasons that will be explained shortly). The frequency range between (magnitude) frequency response points intersecting this horizontal line is defined as the **half-power bandwidth** of the filter. The name *half-power* stems from the fact that when the amplitude response is equal to 0.707 (or  $1/\sqrt{2}$ ), the voltage (or current) at the output of the filter has decreased by the same factor, relative to the maximum value (at the resonant frequency). Since power in an electric signal is proportional to the square of the voltage or current, a drop by a factor  $1/\sqrt{2}$  in the output voltage or current corresponds to the power being reduced by a factor of  $\frac{1}{2}$ . Thus, we term the frequencies at which the intersection of the 0.707 line with the frequency response occurs the **half-power frequencies**. Another useful definition of bandwidth  $B$  is as follows. We shall make

<sup>2</sup>If you have already studied the section on second-order transient response in Chapter 5, you will recognize the parameters  $\zeta$  and  $\omega_n$ .



**Figure 6.18** (a) Normalized magnitude response of second-order bandpass filter; (b) normalized phase response of second-order bandpass filter

use of this definition in the following examples. Note that a high- $Q$  filter has a narrow bandwidth, and a low- $Q$  filter has a wide bandwidth.



$$B = \frac{\omega_n}{Q} \quad \text{Bandwidth}$$

(6.32)

**EXAMPLE 6.7 Frequency Response of Bandpass Filter****Problem**

Compute the frequency response of the bandpass filter of Figure 6.16 for two sets of component values.

**Solution****Known Quantities:**

- (a)  $R = 1 \text{ k}\Omega$ ;  $C = 10 \text{ }\mu\text{F}$ ;  $L = 5 \text{ mH}$ .  
 (b)  $R = 10 \text{ }\Omega$ ;  $C = 10 \text{ }\mu\text{F}$ ;  $L = 5 \text{ mH}$ .

**Find:** The frequency response  $H_V(j\omega)$ .

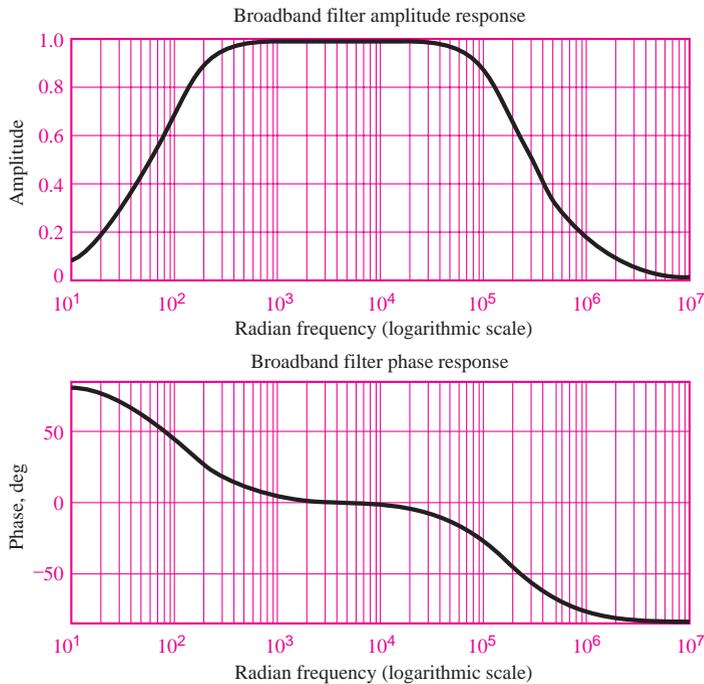
**Assumptions:** None.

**Analysis:** We write the frequency response of the bandpass filter as in equation 6.26:

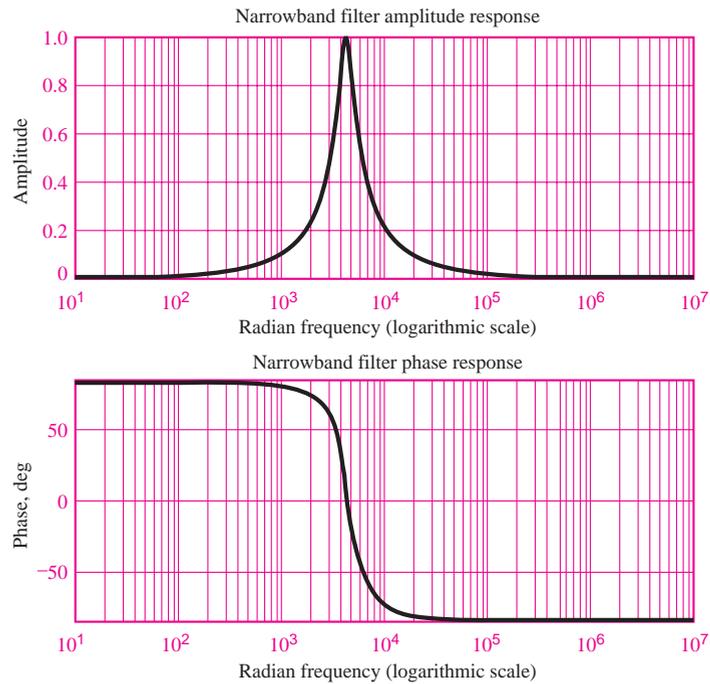
$$H_V(j\omega) = \frac{\mathbf{V}_o}{\mathbf{V}_i}(j\omega) = \frac{j\omega CR}{1 + j\omega CR + (j\omega)^2 LC}$$

$$= \frac{\omega CR}{\sqrt{(1 - \omega^2 LC)^2 + (\omega CR)^2}} \angle \left[ \frac{\pi}{2} - \arctan \left( \frac{\omega CR}{1 - \omega^2 LC} \right) \right]$$

We can now evaluate the response for two different values of the series resistance. The frequency response plots for case a (large series resistance) are shown in Figure 6.19. Those for case b



**Figure 6.19** Frequency response of broadband bandpass filter of Example 6.7



**Figure 6.20** Frequency response of narrowband bandpass filter of Example 6.7

(small series resistance) are shown in Figure 6.20. Let us calculate some quantities for each case. Since  $L$  and  $C$  are the same in both cases, the *resonant frequency* of the two circuits will be the same:

$$\omega_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}} = 4.47 \times 10^3 \text{ rad/s}$$

On the other hand, the *quality factor*  $Q$  will be substantially different:

$$Q_a = \frac{1}{\omega_n CR} \approx 0.0224 \quad \text{case a}$$

$$Q_b = \frac{1}{\omega_n CR} \approx 2.24 \quad \text{case b}$$

From these values of  $Q$  we can calculate the approximate bandwidth of the two filters:

$$B_a = \frac{\omega_n}{Q_a} \approx 200,000 \text{ rad/s} \quad \text{case a}$$

$$B_b = \frac{\omega_n}{Q_b} \approx 2,000 \text{ rad/s} \quad \text{case b}$$

The frequency response plots in Figures 6.19 and 6.20 confirm these observations.

**Comments:** It should be apparent that while at the higher and lower frequencies most of the amplitude of the input signal is filtered from the output, at the midband frequency (4,500 rad/s) most of the input signal amplitude passes through the filter. The first bandpass filter analyzed in this example would “pass” the *midband range* of the audio spectrum, while the second would pass only a very narrow band of frequencies around the **center frequency** of 4,500 rad/s. Such narrowband filters find application in **tuning circuits**, such as those employed in conventional AM radios (although at frequencies much higher than that of the present example). In

a tuning circuit, a narrowband filter is used to tune in a frequency associated with the **carrier** of a radio station (e.g., for a station found at a setting of AM 820, the carrier wave transmitted by the radio station is at a frequency of 820 kHz). By using a variable capacitor, it is possible to tune in a range of carrier frequencies and therefore select the preferred station. Other circuits are then used to decode the actual speech or music signal modulated on the carrier wave.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Compute the frequencies  $\omega_1$  and  $\omega_2$  for the bandpass filter of Example 6.7 (with  $R = 1 \text{ k}\Omega$ ) for equating the magnitude of the bandpass filter frequency response to  $1/\sqrt{2}$  (this will result in a quadratic equation in  $\omega$ , which can be solved for the two frequencies). Note that these are the **half-power frequencies**.

Answers:  $\omega_1 = 99.95 \text{ rad/s}$ ;  $\omega_2 = 200.1 \text{ rad/s}$

## 6.3 BODE PLOTS

Frequency response plots of linear systems are often displayed in the form of logarithmic plots, called **Bode plots**, where the horizontal axis represents frequency on a logarithmic scale (base 10) and the vertical axis represents the amplitude ratio or phase of the frequency response function. In Bode plots the amplitude ratio is expressed in units of **decibels (dB)**, where

$$\left| \frac{A_o}{A_i} \right|_{\text{dB}} = 20 \log_{10} \frac{A_o}{A_i} \quad (6.33)$$

The phase shift is expressed in degrees or radians. Frequency is usually plotted on a logarithmic (base-10) scale as well. Note that the use of the decibel units implies that one is measuring a *ratio*. The use of logarithmic scales enables large ranges to be covered. Furthermore, as shown subsequently in this section, frequency response plots of high-order systems may be obtained easily from frequency response plots of the factors of the overall sinusoidal frequency response function, if logarithmic scales are used for amplitude ratio plots. Consider, for example, the *RC* low-pass filter of Example 6.3 (Figure 6.7). The frequency response of this filter can be written in the form

$$\frac{\mathbf{V}_o(j\omega)}{\mathbf{V}_i(j\omega)} = \frac{1}{j\omega/\omega_0 + 1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + (\omega/\omega_0)^2}} \angle -\tan^{-1} \left( \frac{\omega}{\omega_0} \right) \quad (6.34)$$

where  $\tau = RC = 1/\omega_0$  and  $\omega_0$  is the cutoff, or half-power, frequency of the filter.

Figure 6.21 shows the frequency response plots (magnitude and phase) for this filter; such plots are termed **Bode plots**, after the mathematician Hendrik W. Bode. The normalized frequency on the horizontal axis is  $\omega\tau$ . One of the great advantages of Bode plots is that they permit easy straight-line approximations, as illustrated (next page).

If we express the magnitude frequency response of the first-order filter  $(\mathbf{V}_o/\mathbf{V}_i)(j\omega)$   $= K/(1 + j\omega/\omega_0)$  in units of decibels, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{\mathbf{V}_o}{\mathbf{V}_i}(j\omega) \right|_{\text{dB}} &= 20 \log_{10} \left| \frac{K}{1 + j\omega/\omega_0} \right| \\ &= 20 \log_{10} \frac{K}{\sqrt{1 + (\omega/\omega_0)^2}} = 20 \log_{10} K - 10 \log_{10} \left[ 1 + \left( \frac{\omega}{\omega_0} \right)^2 \right] \end{aligned} \quad (6.35)$$

If  $\omega/\omega_0 \ll 1$ , then

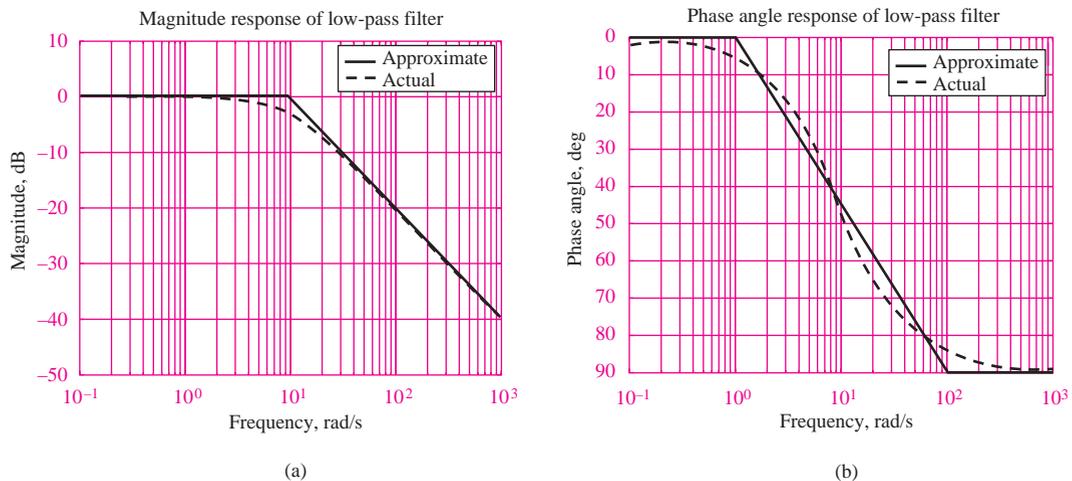
$$\left| \frac{\mathbf{V}_o}{\mathbf{V}_i}(j\omega) \right|_{\text{dB}} \approx 20 \log_{10} K - 10 \log_{10} 1 = 20 \log_{10} K \quad (6.36)$$

Thus, the expression 6.26 is well approximated by a straight line of zero slope at very low frequencies (equation 6.36). This is the low-frequency *asymptotic approximation* of the Bode plot.

If  $\omega/\omega_0 \gg 1$ , we can similarly obtain a high-frequency asymptotic approximation:

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{\mathbf{V}_o}{\mathbf{V}_i}(j\omega) \right|_{\text{dB}} &\approx 20 \log_{10} K - 20 \log_{10} \frac{\omega}{\omega_0} \\ &= 20 \log_{10} K - 20 \log_{10} \omega + 20 \log_{10} \omega_0 \end{aligned} \quad (6.37)$$

Note that equation 6.37 represents a straight line of slope  $-20$  dB per **decade** (factor-of-10 increase in frequency). A decade increase in  $\omega$  results in an increase in  $\log \omega$  of unity. Note also that when  $\omega$  equals the cutoff frequency  $\omega_0$ , the expression for  $|\mathbf{V}_o/\mathbf{V}_i(j\omega)|$  given by equation 6.37 equals that given by equation 6.36. In other words, the low- and high-frequency asymptotes intersect at  $\omega_0$ . Thus, the magnitude



**Figure 6.21** Bode plots for low-pass RC filter; the frequency variable is normalized to  $\omega/\omega_0$ . (a) Magnitude response; (b) phase response

response Bode plot of a first-order low-pass filter can be easily approximated by two straight lines intersecting at  $\omega_0$ . Figure 6.21(a) clearly shows the approximation.

Consider now the phase angle of the frequency response function  $\angle(\mathbf{V}_o/\mathbf{V}_i)(j\omega) = -\tan^{-1}(\omega/\omega_0)$ . This response can be approximated as follows:

$$-\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\omega}{\omega_0}\right) \begin{cases} 0 & \text{when } \omega \ll \omega_0 \\ -\frac{\pi}{4} & \text{when } \omega = \omega_0 \\ -\frac{\pi}{2} & \text{when } \omega \gg \omega_0 \end{cases}$$

If we (somewhat arbitrarily) agree that  $\omega < 0.1\omega_0$  is equivalent to the condition  $\omega/\omega_0 \ll 1$ , and that  $\omega > 10\omega_0$  is equivalent to the condition  $\omega/\omega_0 \gg 1$ , then these approximations are summarized by three straight lines: one of zero slope (with phase equal to 0) for  $\omega < 0.1\omega_0$ , one with slope  $-\pi/4$  rad/decade between  $0.1\omega_0$  and  $10\omega_0$ , and one of zero slope (with phase equal to  $-\pi/2$ ) for  $\omega > 10\omega_0$ . These approximations are illustrated in the plot of Figure 6.21(b). What errors are incurred in making these approximations? Table 6.1 lists the actual errors. Note that the maximum magnitude response error at the cutoff frequency is  $-3$  dB; thus the cutoff or half-power frequency is often called **3-dB frequency**.

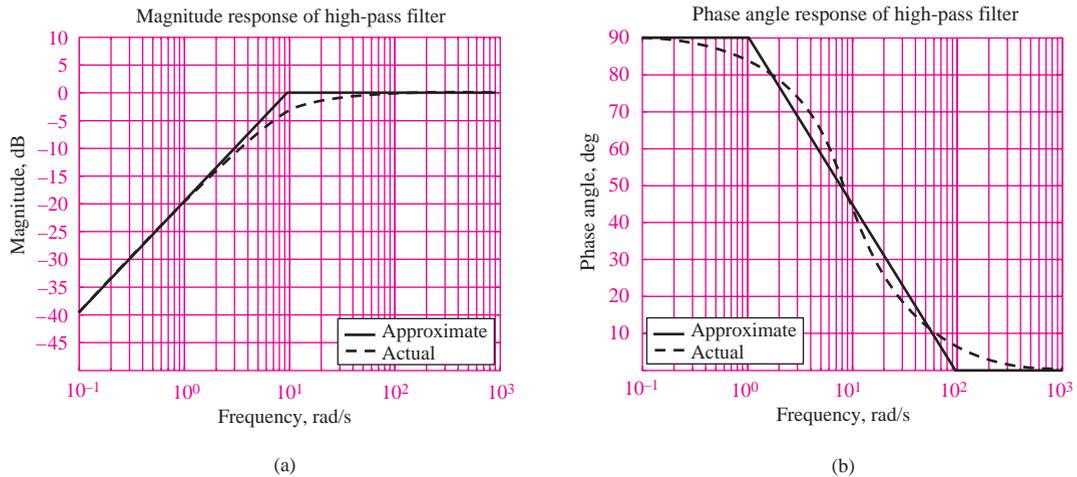
**Table 6.1** Correction factors for asymptotic approximation of first-order filter

$\omega/\omega_0$	Magnitude response error, dB	Phase response error, deg
0.1	0	-5.7
0.5	-1	4.9
1	-3	0
2	-1	-4.9
10	0	+5.7

If we repeat the analysis done for the low-pass filter for the case of the high-pass filter (see Figure 6.13), we obtain a very similar approximation:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\mathbf{V}_o}{\mathbf{V}_i}(j\omega) &= \frac{j\omega CR}{1 + j\omega CR} = \frac{j(\omega/\omega_0)}{1 + j(\omega/\omega_0)} \\ &= \frac{(\omega/\omega_0)\angle(\pi/2)}{\sqrt{1 + (\omega/\omega_0)^2}\angle\arctan(\omega/\omega_0)} \\ &= \frac{\omega/\omega_0}{\sqrt{1 + (\omega/\omega_0)^2}}\angle\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \arctan\frac{\omega}{\omega_0}\right) \end{aligned} \quad (6.38)$$

Figure 6.22 depicts the Bode plots for equation 6.38, where the horizontal axis indicates the normalized frequency  $\omega/\omega_0$ . Asymptotic approximations may again be determined easily at low and high frequencies. The results are exactly the same as for the first-order low-pass filter case, except for the sign of the slope: in the magnitude plot approximation, the straight-line approximation for  $\omega/\omega_0 > 1$  has a slope of  $+20$  dB/decade, and in the phase plot approximation, the slope of the line between  $0.1\omega_0$  and  $10\omega_0$  is  $-\pi/4$  rad/decade. You are encouraged to show that the asymptotic approximations shown in the plots of Figure 6.22 are indeed correct.



**Figure 6.22** Bode plots for high-pass RC filter. (a) Magnitude response; (b) phase response

## Conclusion

Chapter 6 focuses on the frequency response of linear circuits, and it is a natural extension of the material covered in Chapter 4. The idea of frequency response extends well beyond electrical engineering. For example, civil, mechanical, and aeronautical engineering students who study the vibrations of structures and machinery will find that the same methods are employed in those fields.

Upon completing this chapter, you should have mastered the following learning objectives:

1. *Understand the physical significance of frequency domain analysis, and compute the frequency response of circuits by using AC circuit analysis tools.* You had already acquired the necessary tools (phasor analysis and impedance) to compute the frequency response of circuits in Chapter 4; in the material presented in Section 6.1, these tools are put to use to determine the frequency response functions of linear circuits.
2. *Analyze simple first- and second-order electrical filters, and determine their frequency response and filtering properties.* With the concept of *frequency response* firmly in hand, now you can analyze the behavior of electrical filters and study the frequency response characteristics of the most common types, that is, low-pass, high-pass, and bandpass filters. Filters are very useful devices and are explored in greater depth in Chapter 8.
3. *Compute the frequency response of a circuit and its graphical representation in the form of a Bode plot.* Graphical approximations of Bode plots can be very useful to develop a quick understanding of the frequency response characteristics of a linear system, almost by inspection. Bode plots find use in the discipline of automatic control systems, a subject that is likely to be encountered by most engineering majors.

## HOMEWORK PROBLEMS

### Section 6.1: Sinusoidal Frequency Response

#### 6.1

- Determine the frequency response  $V_{\text{out}}(j\omega)/V_{\text{in}}(j\omega)$  for the circuit of Figure P6.1.
- Plot the magnitude and phase of the circuit for frequencies between 10 and 10<sup>7</sup> rad/s on graph paper, with a linear scale for frequency.
- Repeat part b, using semilog paper. (Place the frequency on the logarithmic axis.)

- d. Plot the magnitude response on semilog paper with magnitude in decibels.

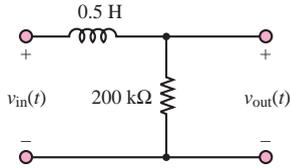


Figure P6.1

- 6.2 Repeat Problem 6.1 for the circuit of Figure P6.2.

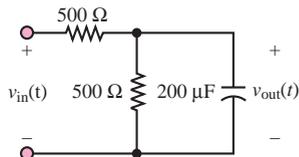


Figure P6.2

- 6.3 Repeat Problem 6.1 for the circuit of Figure P6.3.

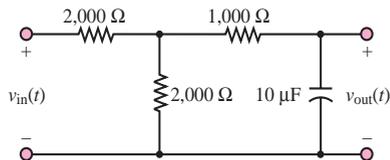


Figure P6.3

- 6.4 Repeat Problem 6.1 for the circuit of Figure P6.4.  
 $R_1 = 500 \Omega$ ;  $R_2 = 1,000 \Omega$ ;  $L = 2 \text{ H}$ ;  $C = 100 \mu\text{F}$ .

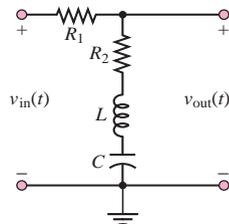


Figure P6.4

- 6.5 Determine the frequency response of the circuit of Figure P6.5, and generate frequency response plots.  
 $R_1 = 20 \text{ k}\Omega$ ;  $R_2 = 100 \text{ k}\Omega$ ;  $C_1 = 100 \mu\text{F}$ ;  $C_2 = 5 \mu\text{F}$ .

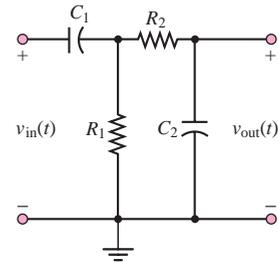


Figure P6.5

- 6.6 In the circuit shown in Figure P6.6, where  $C = 0.5 \mu\text{F}$  and  $R = 2 \text{ k}\Omega$ ,

- Determine how the input impedance  $Z(j\omega) = \frac{V_i(j\omega)}{I_i(j\omega)}$  behaves at extremely high and low frequencies.
- Find an expression for the impedance.
- Show that this expression can be manipulated into the form  $Z(j\omega) = R \left[ 1 + j \frac{1}{\omega RC} \right]$ .
- Determine the frequency  $\omega = \omega_C$  for which the imaginary part of the expression in part c is equal to 1.
- Estimate (without computing it) the magnitude and phase angle of  $Z(j\omega)$  at  $\omega = 10 \text{ rad/s}$  and  $\omega = 10^5 \text{ rad/s}$ .

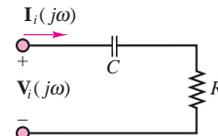


Figure P6.6

- 6.7 In the circuit shown in Figure P6.7, where  $L = 2 \text{ mH}$  and  $R = 2 \text{ k}\Omega$ ,

- Determine how the input impedance  $Z(j\omega) = \frac{V_i(j\omega)}{I_i(j\omega)}$  behaves at extremely high and low frequencies.
- Find an expression for the impedance.
- Show that this expression can be manipulated into the form  $Z(j\omega) = R \left[ 1 + j \frac{\omega L}{R} \right]$ .
- Determine the frequency  $\omega = \omega_C$  for which the imaginary part of the expression in part c is equal to 1.
- Estimate (without computing it) the magnitude and phase angle of  $Z(j\omega)$  at  $\omega = 10^5 \text{ rad/s}$ ,  $10^6 \text{ rad/s}$ , and  $10^7 \text{ rad/s}$ .

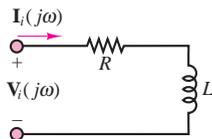


Figure P6.7

**6.8** In the circuit shown in Figure P6.8, if

$$L = 190 \text{ mH} \quad R_1 = 2.3 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$C = 55 \text{ nF} \quad R_2 = 1.1 \text{ k}\Omega$$

- Determine how the input impedance behaves at extremely high or low frequencies.
- Find an expression for the input impedance in the form

$$Z(j\omega) = Z_o \left[ \frac{1 + jf_1(\omega)}{1 + jf_2(\omega)} \right]$$

$$Z_o = R_1 + \frac{L}{R_2 C}$$

$$f_1(\omega) = \frac{\omega^2 R_1 L C - R_1 - R_2}{\omega (R_1 R_2 C + L)}$$

$$f_2(\omega) = \frac{\omega^2 L C - 1}{\omega C R_2}$$

- Determine the four frequencies at which  $f_1(\omega) = +1$  or  $-1$  and  $f_2(\omega) = +1$  or  $-1$ .
- Plot the impedance (magnitude and phase) versus frequency.

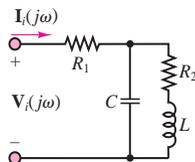


Figure P6.8

**6.9** In the circuit of Figure P6.9:

$$R_1 = 1.3 \text{ k}\Omega \quad R_2 = 1.9 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$C = 0.5182 \text{ }\mu\text{F}$$

Determine:

- How the voltage transfer function

$$H_v(j\omega) = \frac{\mathbf{V}_o(j\omega)}{\mathbf{V}_i(j\omega)}$$

behaves at extremes of high and low frequencies.

- An expression for the voltage transfer function and show that it can be manipulated into the form

$$H_v(j\omega) = \frac{H_o}{1 + jf(\omega)}$$

where

$$H_o = \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} \quad f(\omega) = \frac{\omega R_1 R_2 C}{R_1 + R_2}$$

- The frequency at which  $f(\omega) = 1$  and the value of  $H_o$  in decibels.

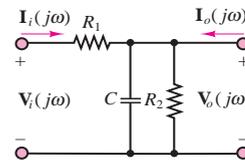


Figure P6.9

**6.10** The circuit shown in Figure P6.10 is a second-order circuit because it has two reactive components ( $L$  and  $C$ ). A complete solution will not be attempted. However, determine:

- The behavior of the voltage frequency response at extremely high and low frequencies.
- The output voltage  $\mathbf{V}_o$  if the input voltage has a frequency where:

$$\mathbf{V}_i = 7.07 \angle \frac{\pi}{4} \text{ V} \quad R_1 = 2.2 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$R_2 = 3.8 \text{ k}\Omega \quad X_C = 5 \text{ k}\Omega \quad X_L = 1.25 \text{ k}\Omega$$

- The output voltage if the frequency of the input voltage doubles so that

$$X_C = 2.5 \text{ k}\Omega \quad X_L = 2.5 \text{ k}\Omega$$

- The output voltage if the frequency of the input voltage again doubles so that

$$X_C = 1.25 \text{ k}\Omega \quad X_L = 5 \text{ k}\Omega$$

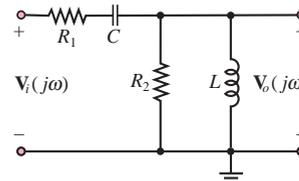


Figure P6.10

**6.11** In the circuit shown in Figure P6.11, determine the frequency response function in the form

$$H_v(j\omega) = \frac{\mathbf{V}_o(j\omega)}{\mathbf{V}_i(j\omega)} = \frac{H_{vo}}{1 \pm jf(\omega)}$$

and plot  $H_v(j\omega)$ .

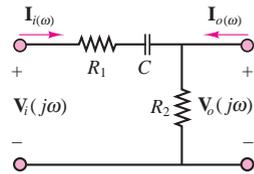


Figure P6.11

**6.12** The circuit shown in Figure P6.12 has

$$R_1 = 100 \, \Omega \quad R_L = 100 \, \Omega$$

$$R_2 = 50 \, \Omega \quad C = 80 \, \text{nF}$$

Compute and plot the frequency response function.

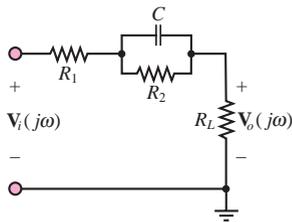


Figure P6.12

**6.13**

- Determine the frequency response  $\mathbf{V}_{\text{out}}(j\omega)/\mathbf{V}_{\text{in}}(j\omega)$  for the circuit of Figure P6.13.
- Plot the magnitude and phase of the frequency response for frequencies between 1 and 100 rad/s on graph paper, with a linear scale for frequency.
- Repeat part b, using semilog paper. (Place the frequency on the logarithmic axis.)
- Plot the magnitude response on semilog paper with magnitude in dB.

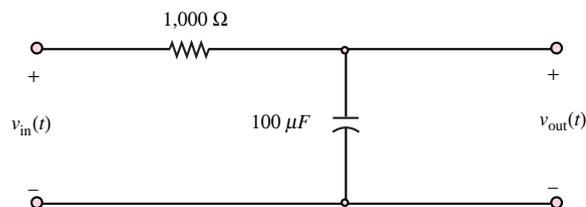


Figure P6.13

**6.14** Consider the circuit shown in Figure P6.14.

- Sketch the amplitude response of  $Y = I/V_S$ .
- Sketch the amplitude response of  $V_1/V_S$ .
- Sketch the amplitude response of  $V_2/V_S$ .

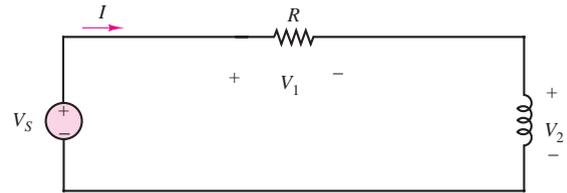


Figure P6.14

## Section 6.2: Filters

- Using a 15-k $\Omega$  resistance, design an  $RC$  high-pass filter with a breakpoint at 200 kHz.
- Using a 500- $\Omega$  resistance, design an  $RC$  low-pass filter that would attenuate a 120-Hz sinusoidal voltage by 20 dB with respect to the DC gain.
- In an  $RLC$  circuit, assume  $\omega_1$  and  $\omega_2$  such that  $\mathbf{I}(j\omega_1) = \mathbf{I}(j\omega_2) = \mathbf{I}_{\text{max}}/\sqrt{2}$  and  $\Delta\omega$  such that  $\Delta\omega = \omega_2 - \omega_1$ . In other words,  $\Delta\omega$  is the width of the current curve where the current has fallen to  $1/\sqrt{2} = 0.707$  of its maximum value at the resonance frequency. At these frequencies, the power dissipated in a resistance becomes one-half of the dissipated power at the resonance frequency (they are called the half-power points). In an  $RLC$  circuit with a high quality factor, show that  $Q = \omega_0/\Delta\omega$ .
- In an  $RLC$  circuit with a high quality factor:
  - Show that the impedance at the resonance frequency becomes a value of  $Q$  times the inductive resistance at the resonance frequency.
  - Determine the impedance at the resonance frequency, assuming  $L = 280 \, \text{mH}$ ,  $C = 0.1 \, \mu\text{F}$ ,  $R = 25 \, \Omega$ .
- Compute the frequency at which the phase shift introduced by the circuit of Example 6.3 is equal to  $-10^\circ$ .
- Compute the frequency at which the output of the circuit of Example 6.3 is attenuated by 10 percent (that is,  $V_L = 0.9V_S$ ).
- Compute the frequency at which the output of the circuit of Example 6.7 is attenuated by 10 percent (that is,  $V_L = 0.9V_S$ ).
- Compute the frequency at which the phase shift introduced by the circuit of Example 6.7 is equal to  $20^\circ$ .
- Consider the circuit shown in Figure P6.23. Determine the resonance frequency and the bandwidth for the circuit.

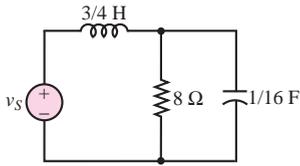
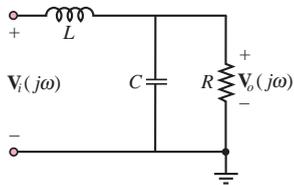
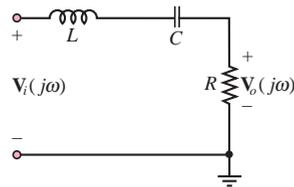


Figure P6.23

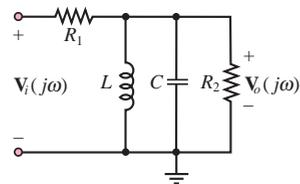
6.24 Are the filters shown in Figure P6.24 low-pass, high-pass, bandpass, or bandstop (notch) filters?



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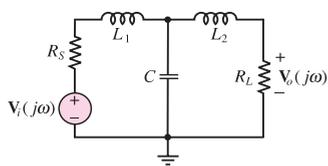
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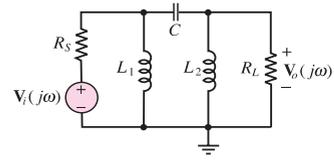
Figure P6.24

6.25 Determine if each of the circuits shown in Figure P6.25 is a low-pass, high-pass, bandpass, or bandstop (notch) filter.

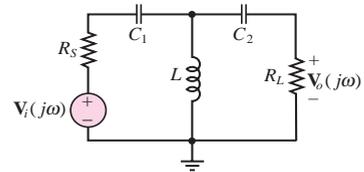


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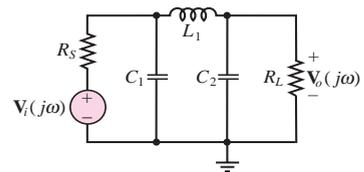
Figure P6.25 (Continued)



(b)



(c)



(d)

Figure P6.25

6.26 For the filter circuit shown in Figure P6.26:

- Determine if this is a low-pass, high-pass, bandpass, or bandstop filter.
- Compute and plot the frequency response function if

$$L = 11 \text{ mH} \quad C = 0.47 \text{ nF}$$

$$R_1 = 2.2 \text{ k}\Omega \quad R_2 = 3.8 \text{ k}\Omega$$

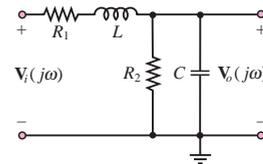


Figure P6.26

6.27 In the filter circuit shown in Figure P6.27:

$$R_S = 100 \Omega \quad R_L = 5 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$R_C = 400 \Omega \quad L = 1 \text{ mH}$$

$$C = 0.5 \text{ nF}$$

Compute and plot the frequency response function. What type of filter is this?

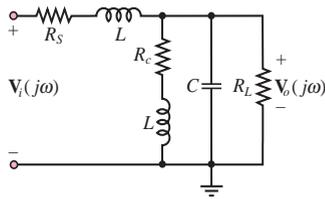


Figure P6.27

6.28 In the filter circuit shown in Figure P6.27:

$$R_S = 100 \Omega \quad R_L = 5 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$R_C = 4 \Omega \quad L = 1 \text{ mH}$$

$$C = 0.5 \text{ nF}$$

Compute and plot the frequency response function. What type of filter is this?

6.29 In the filter circuit shown in Figure P6.29:

$$R_S = 5 \text{ k}\Omega \quad C = 56 \text{ nF}$$

$$R_L = 100 \text{ k}\Omega \quad L = 9 \mu\text{H}$$

Determine:

- a. An expression for the voltage frequency response function

$$H_v(j\omega) = \frac{\mathbf{V}_o(j\omega)}{\mathbf{V}_i(j\omega)}$$

- b. The resonant frequency.
- c. The half-power frequencies.
- d. The bandwidth and  $Q$ .

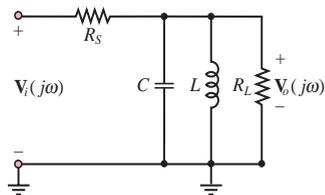


Figure P6.29

6.30 In the filter circuit shown in Figure P6.29:

$$R_S = 5 \text{ k}\Omega \quad C = 0.5 \text{ nF}$$

$$R_L = 100 \text{ k}\Omega \quad L = 1 \text{ mH}$$

Determine:

- a. An expression for the voltage frequency response function

$$H_v(j\omega) = \frac{\mathbf{V}_o(j\omega)}{\mathbf{V}_i(j\omega)}$$

- b. The resonant frequency.
- c. The half-power frequencies.
- d. The bandwidth and  $Q$ .

6.31 In the filter circuit shown in Figure P6.31:

$$R_S = 500 \Omega \quad R_L = 5 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$R_C = 4 \text{ k}\Omega \quad L = 1 \text{ mH}$$

$$C = 5 \text{ pF}$$

Compute and plot the voltage frequency response function

$$H(j\omega) = \frac{\mathbf{V}_o(j\omega)}{\mathbf{V}_i(j\omega)}$$

What type of filter is this?

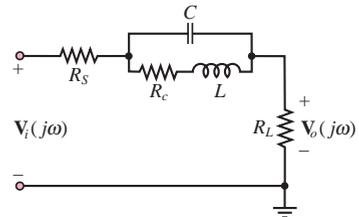


Figure P6.31

6.32 In the filter circuit shown in Figure P6.32, derive the equation for the voltage frequency response function in standard form. Then, if

$$R_S = 500 \Omega \quad R_L = 5 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$C = 5 \text{ pF} \quad L = 1 \text{ mH}$$

compute and plot the frequency response function

$$H(j\omega) = \frac{\mathbf{V}_o(j\omega)}{\mathbf{V}_i(j\omega)}$$

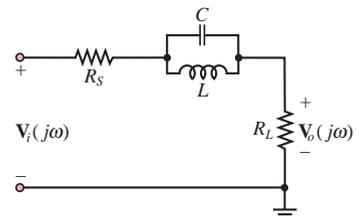


Figure P6.32

6.33 In the filter circuit shown in Figure P6.32, derive the equation for the voltage frequency response

function in standard form. Then find

$$\begin{aligned} R_s &= 500 \, \Omega & R_L &= 5 \, \text{k}\Omega \\ \omega_r &= 12.1278 \, \text{Mrad/s} & C &= 68 \, \text{nF} \\ L &= 0.1 \, \mu\text{H} \end{aligned}$$

determine the half-power frequencies, bandwidth, and  $Q$ . Plot  $H(j\omega)$ .

- 6.34** In the filter circuit shown in Figure P6.32, derive the equation for the voltage frequency response function in standard form. Then find

$$\begin{aligned} R_s &= 4.4 \, \text{k}\Omega & R_L &= 60 \, \text{k}\Omega & \omega_r &= 25 \, \text{Mrad/s} \\ C &= 0.8 \, \text{nF} & L &= 2 \, \mu\text{H} \end{aligned}$$

determine the half-power frequencies, bandwidth, and  $Q$ . Plot  $H(j\omega)$ .

- 6.35** In the bandstop (notch) filter shown in Figure P6.35:

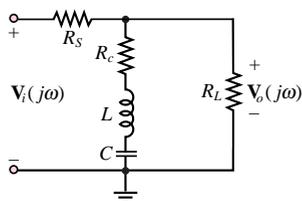
$$\begin{aligned} L &= 0.4 \, \text{mH} & R_c &= 100 \, \Omega \\ C &= 1 \, \text{pF} & R_s &= R_L = 3.8 \, \text{k}\Omega \end{aligned}$$

Determine:

- a. An expression for the voltage frequency response function in the form

$$H_v(j\omega) = \frac{\mathbf{V}_o(j\omega)}{\mathbf{V}_i(j\omega)} = H_o \frac{1 + jf_1(\omega)}{1 + jf_2(\omega)}$$

- b. The magnitude of the function at high and low frequencies and at the resonant frequency.  
c. The resonant frequency.  
d. The half-power frequencies.



**Figure P6.35**

- 6.36** In the filter circuit shown in Figure P6.29:

$$\begin{aligned} R_s &= 5 \, \text{k}\Omega & C &= 5 \, \text{nF} \\ R_L &= 50 \, \text{k}\Omega & L &= 2 \, \text{mH} \end{aligned}$$

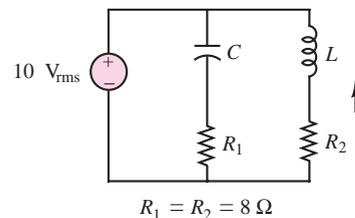
Determine:

- a. An expression for the voltage frequency response function

$$H_V(j\omega) = \frac{\mathbf{V}_o(j\omega)}{\mathbf{V}_i(j\omega)}$$

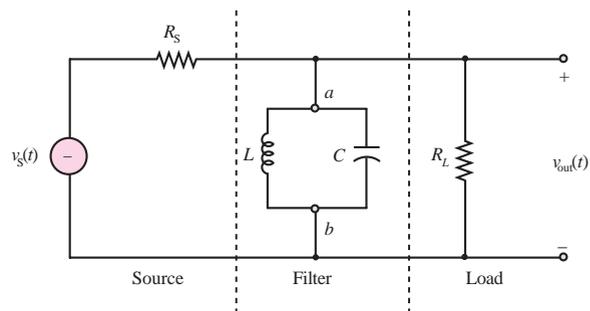
- b. The resonant frequency.  
c. The half-power frequencies.  
d. The bandwidth and  $Q$ .  
e. Plot  $H_V(j\omega)$ .

- 6.37** The function of a loudspeaker *crossover network* is to channel frequencies higher than a given crossover frequency,  $f_c$ , into the high-frequency speaker (tweeter) and frequencies below  $f_c$  into the low-frequency speaker (woofer). Figure P6.37 shows an approximate equivalent circuit where the amplifier is represented as a voltage source with zero internal resistance and each speaker acts as an  $8\text{-}\Omega$  resistance. If the crossover frequency is chosen to be  $1,200 \, \text{Hz}$ , evaluate  $C$  and  $L$ . *Hint:* The break frequency would be a reasonable value to set as the crossover frequency.



**Figure P6.37**

- 6.38** What is the frequency response,  $\mathbf{V}_{\text{out}}(\omega)/\mathbf{V}_s(\omega)$ , for the circuit of Figure P6.38? Sketch the frequency response of the circuit (magnitude and phase) if  $R_s = R_L = 5,000 \, \Omega$ ,  $L = 10 \, \mu\text{H}$ , and  $C = 0.1 \, \mu\text{F}$ .



**Figure P6.38**

- 6.39** Many stereo speakers are two-way speaker systems; that is, they have a woofer for low-frequency sounds and a tweeter for high-frequency sounds. To get the proper separation of frequencies going to the woofer and to the tweeter, crossover circuitry is used. A crossover circuit is effectively a bandpass, high-pass, or low-pass filter. The system model is shown in Figure 6.39.

- a. If  $L = 2 \text{ mH}$ ,  $C = 125 \mu\text{F}$ , and  $R_S = 4 \Omega$ , find the load impedance as a function of frequency. At what frequency is maximum power transfer obtained?
- b. Plot the magnitude and phase responses of the currents through the woofer and tweeter as a function of frequency.

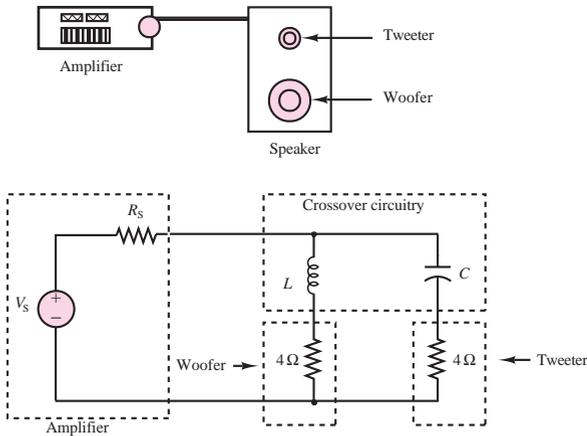
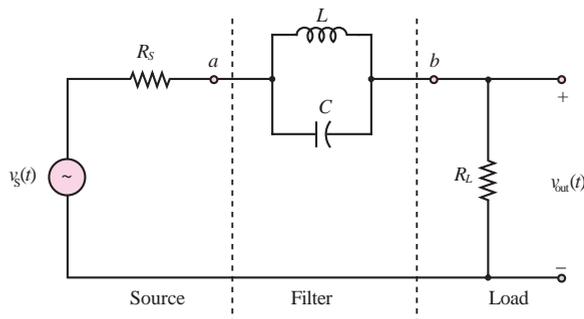


Figure P6.39

**6.40** The same  $LC$  values of Problem 6.39 are used in the circuit of Figure P6.40.

- a. Compute the frequency response of this circuit,  $\mathbf{V}_{out}(j\omega)/\mathbf{V}_S(j\omega)$ .
- b. Plot the frequency response of the circuit.



$$R_S = R_L = 500 \Omega; L = 10 \text{ mH}; C = 0.1 \mu\text{F}$$

Figure P6.40

**6.41** It is very common to see interference caused by power lines, at a frequency of 60 Hz. This problem outlines the design of the notch filter, shown in Figure P6.41, to reject a band of frequencies around 60 Hz.

- a. Write the impedance function for the filter of Figure P6.41 (the resistor  $r_L$  represents the internal resistance of a practical inductor).
- b. For what value of  $C$  will the center frequency of the filter equal 60 Hz if  $L = 100 \text{ mH}$  and  $r_L = 5 \Omega$ ?
- c. Would the “sharpness,” or selectivity, of the filter increase or decrease if  $r_L$  were to increase?
- d. Assume that the filter is used to eliminate the 60-Hz noise from a signal generator with output frequency of 1 kHz. Evaluate the frequency response  $\mathbf{V}_L/\mathbf{V}_{in}(j\omega)$  at both frequencies if:

$$v_g(t) = \sin(2\pi 1,000 t) \text{ V} \quad r_g = 50 \Omega$$

$$v_n(t) = 3 \sin(2\pi 60 t) \quad R_L = 300 \Omega$$

And if  $L$  and  $C$  are as in part b.

- e. Plot the magnitude frequency response  $\left| \frac{\mathbf{V}_L}{\mathbf{V}_{in}}(j\omega) \right|_{\text{dB}}$  vs.  $\omega$  on a logarithmic scale and indicate the value of  $\left| \frac{\mathbf{V}_L}{\mathbf{V}_{in}}(j\omega) \right|_{\text{dB}}$  at the frequencies 60 Hz and 1,000 Hz on your plot.

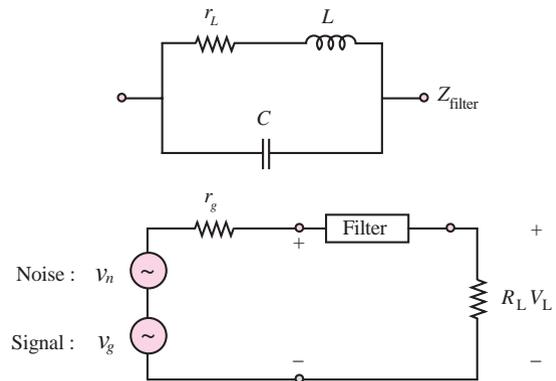


Figure P6.41

**6.42** The circuit of Figure P6.42 is representative of an amplifier-speaker connection. The crossover circuit (filter) is a low-pass filter that is connected to a woofer. The filter’s topography is known as a  $\pi$  network.

- a. Find the frequency response  $\mathbf{V}_o(j\omega)/\mathbf{V}_S(j\omega)$ .
- b. If  $C_1 = C_2 = C$ ,  $R_S = R_L = 600 \Omega$ , and  $1/\sqrt{LC} = R/L = 1/RC = 2,000\pi$ , plot  $\left| \mathbf{V}_o(j\omega)/\mathbf{V}_S(j\omega) \right|$  in dB versus frequency (logarithmic scale) in the range  $100 \text{ Hz} \leq f \leq 10,000 \text{ Hz}$ .

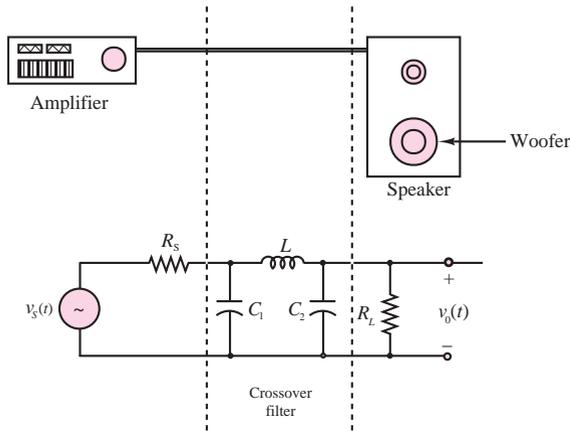


Figure P6.42

**Section 6.3: Bode Plots**

6.43 In the circuit shown in Figure P6.43:

- a. Determine the frequency response function

$$H(j\omega) = \frac{V_{out}(j\omega)}{V_{in}(j\omega)}$$

- b. Manually sketch a magnitude and phase Bode plot of the system, using a five-cycle semilog paper. Show the factored polynomial and all the steps in constructing the plot. Clearly show the break frequencies on the  $\omega$  axis. *Hint:* To factor the denominator polynomial, you may find it helpful to use the MATLAB™ command “roots.”
- c. Use MATLAB™ and the *Bode* command to generate the same plot, and verify that your answer is indeed correct. Assume  $R_1 = R_2 = 1\text{ k}\Omega$ ,  $C_1 = 1\text{ }\mu\text{F}$ ,  $C_2 = 1\text{ mF}$ ,  $L = 1\text{ H}$ .

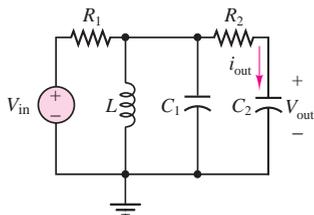


Figure P6.43

6.44 Repeat Problem 6.43 for the frequency response function

$$H(j\omega) = \frac{I_{out}(j\omega)}{V_{in}(j\omega)}$$

Use the same component values as in Problem 6.43.

6.45 Repeat Problem 6.43 for the circuit of Figure P6.45 and the frequency response function

$$H(j\omega) = \frac{V_{out}(j\omega)}{I_{in}(j\omega)}$$

Let  $R_1 = R_2 = 1\text{ k}\Omega$ ,  $C = 1\text{ }\mu\text{F}$ ,  $L = 1\text{ H}$ .

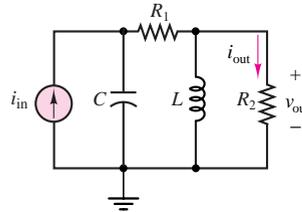


Figure P6.45

6.46 Repeat Problem 6.43 for the circuit of Figure P6.45 and the frequency response function of

$$H(j\omega) = \frac{I_{out}(j\omega)}{I_{in}(j\omega)}$$

Use the same values as in Problem 6.45.

6.47 Repeat Problem 6.43 for the circuit of Figure P6.47 and the frequency response function

$$H(j\omega) = \frac{V_{out}(j\omega)}{I_{in}(j\omega)}$$

Assume that  $R_1 = R_2 = 1\text{ k}\Omega$ ,  $C_1 = 1\text{ }\mu\text{F}$ ,  $C_2 = 1\text{ mF}$ .

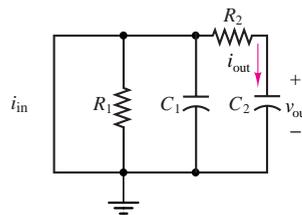


Figure P6.47

6.48 Repeat Problem 6.43 for the circuit of Figure P6.47 and the frequency response function

$$H(j\omega) = \frac{I_{out}(j\omega)}{I_{in}(j\omega)}$$

Use the same component values as in Problem 6.47.

6.49 With reference to Figure P6.4:

- a. Manually sketch a magnitude and phase Bode plot of the system using semilog paper. Show the factored polynomial and all the steps in

constructing the plot. Clearly show the break frequencies on the  $\omega$  axis.

- b. Use MATLAB™ and the *Bode* command to generate the same plot, and verify that your answer is indeed correct.

**6.50** Repeat Problem 6.49 for the circuit of Figure P6.4, considering the load voltage  $v_L$  as a voltage across the capacitor.

**6.51** Repeat Problem 6.49 for the circuit of Figure P6.5.

**6.52** Assume in a certain frequency range that the ratio of output amplitude to input amplitude is proportional to  $1/\omega^3$ . What is the slope of the Bode plot in this frequency range, expressed in decibels per decade?

**6.53** Assume that the output amplitude of a circuit depends on frequency according to

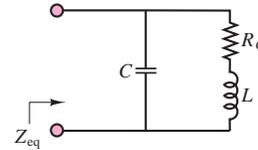
$$V = \frac{A\omega + B}{\sqrt{C + D\omega^2}}$$

Find:

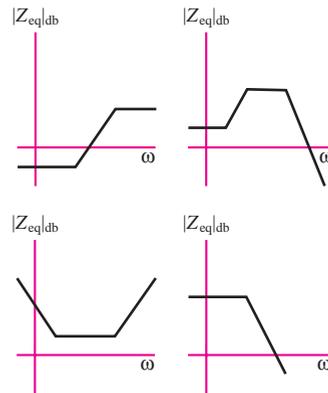
- a. The break frequency.
- b. The slope of the Bode plot (in decibels per decade) above the break frequency.
- c. The slope of the Bode plot below the break frequency.
- d. The high-frequency limit of  $V$ .

**6.54** Determine an expression for the circuit of Figure P6.54(a) for the equivalent impedance in standard form. Choose the Bode plot from Figure P6.54(b) that best describes the behavior of the impedance as a

function of frequency, and describe (a simple one-line statement with no analysis is sufficient) how you would obtain the resonant and cutoff frequencies and the magnitude of the impedance where it is constant over some frequency range. Label the Bode plot to indicate which feature you are discussing.



(a)



(b)

**Figure P6.54**



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## AC POWER

**T**he aim of this chapter is to introduce the student to simple AC power calculations and to the generation and distribution of electric power. The chapter builds on the material developed in Chapter 4—namely, phasors and complex impedance—and paves the way for the material on electric machines in Chapter 14.

The chapter starts with the definition of AC average and complex power and illustrates the computation of the power absorbed by a complex load; special attention is paid to the calculation of the power factor, and to power factor correction. The next subject is a brief discussion of ideal transformers and of maximum power transfer. This is followed by an introduction to three-phase power. The chapter ends with a discussion of electric power generation and distribution.

## Learning Objectives

1. Understand the meaning of instantaneous and average power, master AC power notation, and compute average power for AC circuits. Compute the power factor of a complex load. *Section 7.1.*
2. Learn complex power notation; compute apparent, real, and reactive power for complex loads. Draw the power triangle, and compute the capacitor size required to perform power factor correction on a load. *Section 7.2.*
3. Analyze the ideal transformer; compute primary and secondary currents and voltages and turns ratios. Calculate reflected sources and impedances across ideal transformers. Understand maximum power transfer. *Section 7.3.*
4. Learn three-phase AC power notation; compute load currents and voltages for balanced wye and delta loads. *Section 7.4.*
5. Understand the basic principles of residential electrical wiring and of electrical safety. *Sections 7.5, 7.6.*

## 7.1 POWER IN AC CIRCUITS

The objective of this section is to introduce AC power. As already mentioned in Chapter 4, 50- or 60-Hz AC electric power constitutes the most common form of electric power distribution; in this section, the phasor notation developed in Chapter 4 will be employed to analyze the power absorbed by both resistive and complex loads.

### Instantaneous and Average Power

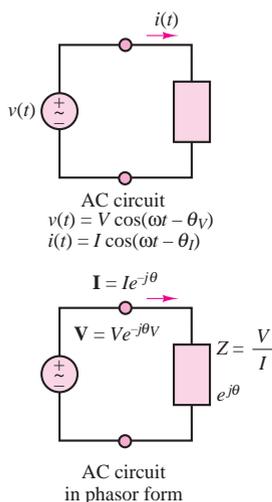
From Chapter 4, you already know that when a linear electric circuit is excited by a sinusoidal source, all voltages and currents in the circuit are also sinusoids of the same frequency as that of the excitation source. Figure 7.1 depicts the general form of a linear AC circuit. The most general expressions for the voltage and current delivered to an arbitrary load are as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} v(t) &= V \cos(\omega t - \theta_V) \\ i(t) &= I \cos(\omega t - \theta_I) \end{aligned} \quad (7.1)$$

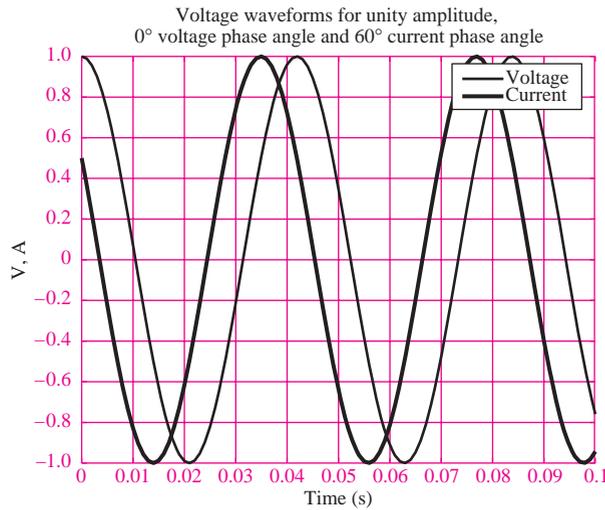
where  $V$  and  $I$  are the peak amplitudes of the sinusoidal voltage and current, respectively, and  $\theta_V$  and  $\theta_I$  are their phase angles. Two such waveforms are plotted in Figure 7.2, with unit amplitude and with phase angles  $\theta_V = \pi/6$  and  $\theta_I = \pi/3$ . The phase shift between source and load is therefore  $\theta = \theta_V - \theta_I$ . It will be easier, for the purpose of this section, to assume that  $\theta_V = 0$ , without any loss of generality, since all phase angles will be referenced to the source voltage's phase. In Section 7.2, where complex power is introduced, you will see that this assumption is not necessary since phasor notation is used. In this section, some of the trigonometry-based derivations are simpler if the source voltage reference phase is assumed to be zero.

Since the **instantaneous power** dissipated by a circuit element is given by the product of the instantaneous voltage and current, it is possible to obtain a general expression for the power dissipated by an AC circuit element:

$$p(t) = v(t)i(t) = VI \cos(\omega t) \cos(\omega t - \theta) \quad (7.2)$$



**Figure 7.1** Circuit for illustration of AC power



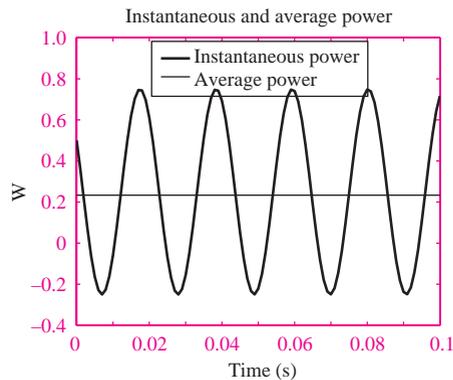
**Figure 7.2** Current and voltage waveforms for illustration of AC power

Equation 7.2 can be further simplified with the aid of trigonometric identities to yield

$$p(t) = \frac{VI}{2} \cos(\theta) + \frac{VI}{2} \cos(2\omega t - \theta) \quad (7.3)$$

where  $\theta$  is the difference in phase between voltage and current. Equation 7.3 illustrates how the instantaneous power dissipated by an AC circuit element is equal to the sum of an average component  $\frac{1}{2}VI \cos(\theta)$  and a sinusoidal component  $\frac{1}{2}VI \cos(2\omega t - \theta)$ , oscillating at a frequency double that of the original source frequency.

The instantaneous and average power are plotted in Figure 7.3 for the signals of Figure 7.2. The **average power** corresponding to the voltage and current signals of equation 7.1 can be obtained by integrating the instantaneous power over one cycle of the sinusoidal signal. Let  $T = 2\pi/\omega$  represent one cycle of the sinusoidal signals. Then the average power  $P_{av}$  is given by the integral of the instantaneous power  $p(t)$



**Figure 7.3** Instantaneous and average power dissipation corresponding to the signals plotted in Figure 7.2

over one cycle



$$P_{\text{av}} = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T p(t) dt \quad (7.4)$$

$$= \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \frac{VI}{2} \cos(\theta) dt + \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \frac{VI}{2} \cos(2\omega t - \theta) dt$$

$$P_{\text{av}} = \frac{VI}{2} \cos(\theta) \quad \text{Average power} \quad (7.5)$$

since the second integral is equal to zero and  $\cos(\theta)$  is a constant.

As shown in Figure 7.1, the same analysis carried out in equations 7.1 to 7.3 can also be repeated using phasor analysis. In phasor notation, the current and voltage of equation 7.1 are given by

$$\mathbf{V}(j\omega) = V e^{j0} \quad (7.6)$$

$$\mathbf{I}(j\omega) = I e^{-j\theta} \quad (7.7)$$

Note further that the impedance of the circuit element shown in Figure 7.1 is defined by the phasor voltage and current of equations 7.6 and 7.7 to be

$$\mathbf{Z} = \frac{V}{I} e^{j(\theta)} = |Z| e^{j\theta} \quad (7.8)$$

The expression for the average power obtained in equation 7.4 can therefore also be represented using phasor notation, as follows:



$$P_{\text{av}} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{V^2}{|Z|} \cos \theta = \frac{1}{2} I^2 |Z| \cos \theta \quad \text{Average power} \quad (7.9)$$

### AC Power Notation

It has already been noted that AC power systems operate at a fixed frequency; in North America, this frequency is 60 cycles per second, or hertz (Hz), corresponding to a radian frequency

$$\omega = 2\pi \cdot 60 = 377 \text{ rad/s} \quad \text{AC power frequency} \quad (7.10)$$

In Europe and most other parts of the world, AC power is generated at a frequency of 50 Hz (this is the reason why some appliances will not operate under one of the two systems).



Therefore, for the remainder of this chapter the radian frequency  $\omega$  is fixed at 377 rad/s, unless otherwise noted.

With knowledge of the radian frequency of all voltages and currents, it will always be possible to compute the exact magnitude and phase of any impedance in a circuit.

A second point concerning notation is related to the factor  $\frac{1}{2}$  in equation 7.9. It is customary in AC power analysis to employ the rms value of the AC voltages and currents in the circuit (see Section 4.2). Use of the **rms value** eliminates the factor  $\frac{1}{2}$  in power expressions and leads to considerable simplification. Thus, the following expressions will be used in this chapter:

$$V_{\text{rms}} = \frac{V}{\sqrt{2}} = \tilde{V} \quad (7.11)$$

$$I_{\text{rms}} = \frac{I}{\sqrt{2}} = \tilde{I} \quad (7.12)$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_{\text{av}} &= \frac{1}{2} \frac{V^2}{|Z|} \cos \theta = \frac{\tilde{V}^2}{|Z|} \cos \theta \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \tilde{I}^2 |Z| \cos \theta = \tilde{I}^2 |Z| \cos \theta = \tilde{V} \tilde{I} \cos \theta \end{aligned} \quad (7.13)$$

Figure 7.4 illustrates the **impedance triangle**, which provides a convenient graphical interpretation of impedance as a vector in the complex plane. From the figure, it is simple to verify that

$$R = |Z| \cos \theta \quad (7.14)$$

$$X = |Z| \sin \theta \quad (7.15)$$

Finally, the amplitudes of phasor voltages and currents will be denoted throughout this chapter by means of the rms amplitude. We therefore introduce a slight modification in the phasor notation of Chapter 4 by defining the following **rms phasor** quantities:

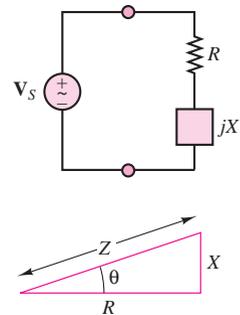
$$\tilde{\mathbf{V}} = V_{\text{rms}} e^{j\theta_V} = \tilde{V} e^{j\theta_V} = \tilde{V} \angle \theta_V \quad (7.16)$$

and

$$\tilde{\mathbf{I}} = I_{\text{rms}} e^{j\theta_I} = \tilde{I} e^{j\theta_I} = \tilde{I} \angle \theta_I \quad (7.17)$$

In other words,

Throughout the remainder of this chapter, the symbols  $\tilde{V}$  and  $\tilde{I}$  will denote the rms value of a voltage or a current, and the symbols  $\tilde{\mathbf{V}}$  and  $\tilde{\mathbf{I}}$  will denote rms phasor voltages and currents.



**Figure 7.4** Impedance triangle



Also recall the use of the symbol  $\angle$  to represent the complex exponential. Thus, the sinusoidal waveform corresponding to the phasor current  $\tilde{\mathbf{I}} = \tilde{I} \angle \theta_I$  corresponds to the time-domain waveform

$$i(t) = \sqrt{2} \tilde{I} \cos(\omega t + \theta_I) \quad (7.18)$$

and the sinusoidal form of the phasor voltage  $\tilde{\mathbf{V}} = \tilde{V} \angle \theta_V$  is

$$v(t) = \sqrt{2} \tilde{V} \cos(\omega t + \theta_V) \quad (7.19)$$



### EXAMPLE 7.1 Computing Average and Instantaneous AC Power

#### Problem

Compute the average and instantaneous power dissipated by the load of Figure 7.5.

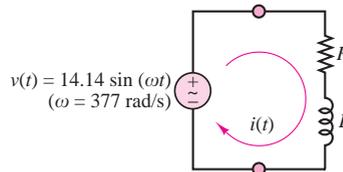


Figure 7.5

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Source voltage and frequency; load resistance and inductance values.

**Find:**  $P_{av}$  and  $p(t)$  for the  $RL$  load.

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $v(t) = 14.14 \sin(377t)$  V;  $R = 4 \Omega$ ;  $L = 8$  mH.

**Assumptions:** Use rms values for all phasor quantities in the problem.

**Analysis:** First, we define the phasors and impedances at the frequency of interest in the problem,  $\omega = 377$  rad/s:

$$\tilde{\mathbf{V}} = 10\angle\left(-\frac{\pi}{2}\right) \quad \mathbf{Z} = R + j\omega L = 4 + j3 = 5\angle 0.644$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{I}} = \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{V}}}{\mathbf{Z}} = \frac{10\angle(-\pi/2)}{5\angle 0.644} = 2\angle(-2.215)$$

The average power can be computed from the phasor quantities:

$$P_{av} = \tilde{\mathbf{V}}\tilde{\mathbf{I}}\cos(\theta) = 10 \times 2 \times \cos(0.644) = 16 \text{ W}$$

The instantaneous power is given by the expression

$$p(t) = v(t) \times i(t) = \sqrt{2} \times 10 \sin(377t) \times \sqrt{2} \times 2 \cos(377t - 2.215) \quad \text{W}$$

The instantaneous voltage and current waveforms and the instantaneous and average power are plotted in Figure 7.6.

**Comments:** Please pay attention to the use of rms values in this example: It is very important to remember that we have defined phasors to have rms amplitude in the power calculation. This is a standard procedure in electrical engineering practice.

Note that the instantaneous power can be negative for brief periods of time, even though the average power is positive.

### CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Show that the equalities in equation 7.9 hold when phasor notation is used.

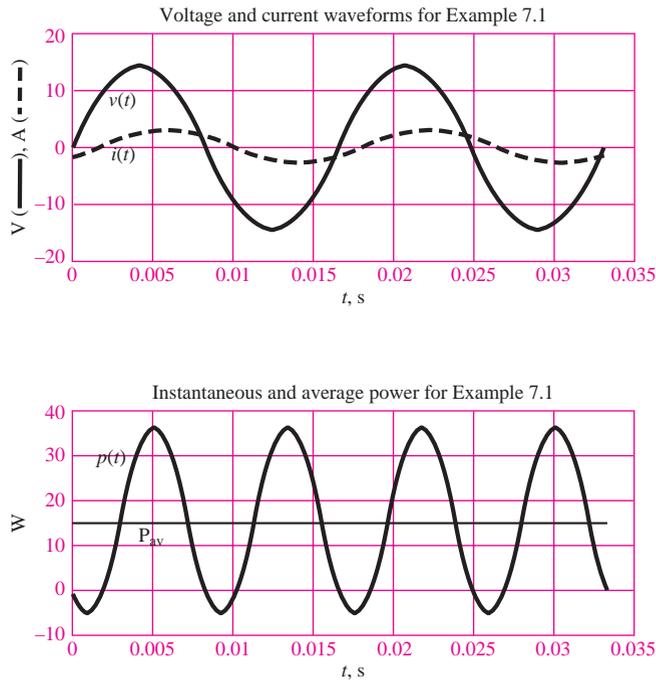


Figure 7.6

## EXAMPLE 7.2 Computing Average AC Power

### Problem

Compute the average power dissipated by the load of Figure 7.7.

### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Source voltage; internal resistance and frequency; load resistance and inductance values.

**Find:**  $P_{av}$  for the  $RC$  load.

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $\tilde{V}_S = 110\angle 0$ ;  $R_S = 2\ \Omega$ ;  $R_L = 16\ \Omega$ ;  $C = 100\ \mu\text{F}$ .

**Assumptions:** Use rms values for all phasor quantities in the problem.

**Analysis:** First, we compute the load impedance at the frequency of interest in the problem,  $\omega = 377\ \text{rad/s}$ :

$$Z_L = R \parallel \frac{1}{j\omega C} = \frac{R_L}{1 + j\omega C R_L} = \frac{16}{1 + j0.6032} = 13.7\angle(-0.543)\ \Omega$$

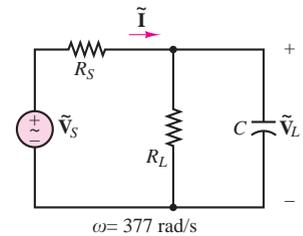


Figure 7.7

Next, we compute the load voltage, using the voltage divider rule:

$$\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_L = \frac{Z_L}{R_S + Z_L} \tilde{\mathbf{V}}_S = \frac{13.7 \angle (-0.543)}{2 + 13.7 \angle (-0.543)} 110 \angle 0 = 97.6 \angle (-0.067) \text{ V}$$

Knowing the load voltage, we can compute the average power according to

$$P_{\text{av}} = \frac{|\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_L|^2}{|Z_L|} \cos(\theta) = \frac{97.6^2}{13.7} \cos(-0.543) = 595 \text{ W}$$

or, alternatively, we can compute the load current and calculate the average power according to

$$\tilde{\mathbf{I}}_L = \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_L}{Z_L} = 7.1 \angle 0.476 \text{ A}$$

$$P_{\text{av}} = |\tilde{\mathbf{I}}_L|^2 |Z_L| \cos(\theta) = 7.1^2 \times 13.7 \times \cos(-0.543) = 595 \text{ W}$$

**Comments:** Please observe that it is very important to determine *load* current and/or voltage before proceeding to the computation of power; the internal source resistance in this problem causes the source and load voltages to be different.

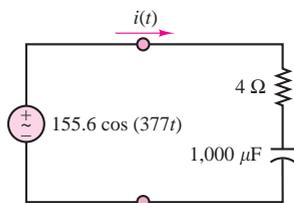


Figure 7.8

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Consider the circuit shown in Figure 7.8. Find the load impedance of the circuit, and compute the average power dissipated by the load.

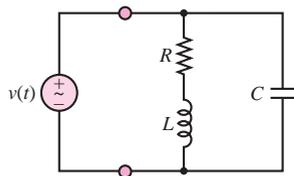
Answers:  $Z = 4.8e^{-j33.5^\circ} \Omega$ ;  $P_{\text{av}} = 2,103.4 \text{ W}$



## EXAMPLE 7.3 Computing Average AC Power

### Problem

Compute the average power dissipated by the load of Figure 7.9.



An AC circuit

### Solution

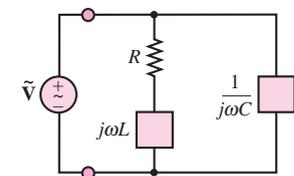
**Known Quantities:** Source voltage; internal resistance and frequency; load resistance; capacitance and inductance values.

**Find:**  $P_{\text{av}}$  for the complex load.

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_S = 110 \angle 0 \text{ V}$ ;  $R = 10 \Omega$ ;  $L = 0.05 \text{ H}$ ;  $C = 470 \mu\text{F}$ .

**Assumptions:** Use rms values for all phasor quantities in the problem.

**Analysis:** First, we compute the load impedance at the frequency of interest in the problem,  $\omega = 377 \text{ rad/s}$ :



Its complex form

Figure 7.9

$$\begin{aligned} Z_L &= (R + j\omega L) \parallel \frac{1}{j\omega C} = \frac{(R + j\omega L)/j\omega C}{R + j\omega L + 1/j\omega C} \\ &= \frac{R + j\omega L}{1 - \omega^2 LC + j\omega CR} = 1.16 - j7.18 \\ &= 7.27 \angle (-1.41) \Omega \end{aligned}$$

Note that the equivalent load impedance consists of a capacitive load at this frequency, as shown in Figure 7.10. Knowing that the load voltage is equal to the source voltage, we can compute the average power according to

$$P_{\text{av}} = \frac{|\tilde{V}_L|^2}{|Z_L|} \cos(\theta) = \frac{110^2}{7.27} \cos(-1.41) = 266 \text{ W}$$

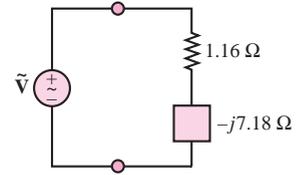


Figure 7.10

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Compute the power dissipated by the internal source resistance in Example 7.2.

Use the expression  $P_{\text{av}} = \tilde{I}^2 |Z| \cos(\theta)$  to compute the average power dissipated by the load of Example 7.2.

Answers: 101.46 W; See Example 7.2

## Power Factor

The phase angle of the load impedance plays a very important role in the absorption of power by a load impedance. As illustrated in equation 7.13 and in the preceding examples, the average power dissipated by an AC load is dependent on the cosine of the angle of the impedance. To recognize the importance of this factor in AC power computations, the term  $\cos(\theta)$  is referred to as the **power factor (pf)**. Note that the power factor is equal to 0 for a purely inductive or capacitive load and equal to 1 for a purely resistive load; in every other case,

$$0 < \text{pf} < 1 \quad (7.20)$$

Two equivalent expressions for the power factor are given in the following:

$$\text{pf} = \cos(\theta) = \frac{P_{\text{av}}}{\tilde{V}\tilde{I}} \quad \text{Power factor} \quad (7.21)$$

where  $\tilde{V}$  and  $\tilde{I}$  are the rms values of the load voltage and current, respectively.

## 7.2 COMPLEX POWER

The expression for the instantaneous power given in equation 7.3 may be expanded to provide further insight into AC power. Using trigonometric identities, we obtain

the following expressions:

$$\begin{aligned}
 p(t) &= \frac{\tilde{V}^2}{|Z|} [\cos \theta + \cos \theta \cos(2\omega t) + \sin \theta \sin(2\omega t)] \\
 &= \tilde{I}^2 |Z| [\cos \theta + \cos \theta \cos(2\omega t) + \sin \theta \sin(2\omega t)] \\
 &= \tilde{I}^2 |Z| \cos \theta (1 + \cos 2\omega t) + \tilde{I}^2 |Z| \sin \theta \sin(2\omega t)
 \end{aligned} \tag{7.22}$$

Recalling the geometric interpretation of the impedance  $Z$  of Figure 7.4, you may recognize that

$$|Z| \cos \theta = R$$

and (7.23)

$$|Z| \sin \theta = X$$

are the resistive and reactive components of the load impedance, respectively. On the basis of this fact, it becomes possible to write the instantaneous power as

$$\begin{aligned}
 p(t) &= \tilde{I}^2 R (1 + \cos 2\omega t) + \tilde{I}^2 X \sin(2\omega t) \\
 &= \tilde{I}^2 R + \tilde{I}^2 R \cos(2\omega t) + \tilde{I}^2 X \sin(2\omega t)
 \end{aligned} \tag{7.24}$$

The physical interpretation of this expression for the instantaneous power should be intuitively appealing at this point. As equation 7.24 suggests, the instantaneous power dissipated by a complex load consists of the following three components:



1. An average component, which is constant; this is called the *average power* and is denoted by the symbol  $P_{av}$ :

$$P_{av} = \tilde{I}^2 R \tag{7.25}$$

where  $R = \text{Re } Z$ .

2. A time-varying (sinusoidal) component with zero average value that is contributed by the power fluctuations in the resistive component of the load and is denoted by  $p_R(t)$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
 p_R(t) &= \tilde{I}^2 R \cos 2\omega t \\
 &= P_{av} \cos 2\omega t
 \end{aligned} \tag{7.26}$$

3. A time-varying (sinusoidal) component with zero average value, due to the power fluctuation in the reactive component of the load and denoted by  $p_X(t)$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
 p_X(t) &= \tilde{I}^2 X \sin 2\omega t \\
 &= Q \sin 2\omega t
 \end{aligned} \tag{7.27}$$

where  $X = \text{Im } Z$  and  $Q$  is called the **reactive power**. *Note that since reactive elements can only store energy and not dissipate it, there is no net average power absorbed by  $X$ .*

Since  $P_{av}$  corresponds to the power absorbed by the load resistance, it is also called the **real power**, measured in units of watts (W). On the other hand,  $Q$  takes the name of *reactive power*, since it is associated with the load reactance. Table 7.1 shows the general methods of calculating  $P$  and  $Q$ .

The units of  $Q$  are **volt amperes reactive**, or **VAR**. Note that  $Q$  represents an exchange of energy between the source and the reactive part of the load; thus, no net power is gained or lost in the process, since the average reactive power is zero. In general, it is desirable to minimize the reactive power in a load. Example 7.6 will explain the reason for this statement.

The computation of AC power is greatly simplified by defining a fictitious but very useful quantity called the **complex power**  $S$

$$S = \tilde{V}\tilde{I}^* \quad \text{Complex power} \quad (7.28)$$



where the asterisk denotes the complex conjugate (see Appendix A online). You may easily verify that this definition leads to the convenient expression

$$S = \tilde{V}\tilde{I} \cos \theta + j\tilde{V}\tilde{I} \sin \theta = \tilde{I}^2 R + j\tilde{I}^2 X = \tilde{I}^2 Z$$

or (7.29)

$$S = P_{av} + jQ$$

The complex power  $S$  may be interpreted graphically as a vector in the complex plane, as shown in Figure 7.11.

The magnitude of  $S$ , denoted by  $|S|$ , is measured in units of **volt amperes (VA)** and is called the **apparent power**, because this is the quantity one would compute by measuring the rms load voltage and currents without regard for the phase angle of the load. Note that the right triangle of Figure 7.11 is similar to the right triangle of Figure 7.4, since  $\theta$  is the load impedance angle. The complex power may also be expressed by the product of the square of the rms current through the load and the complex load impedance:

$$S = \tilde{I}^2 Z \quad (7.30)$$

or

$$\tilde{I}^2 R + j\tilde{I}^2 X = \tilde{I}^2 Z$$

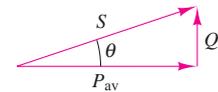
or, equivalently, by the ratio of the square of the rms voltage across the load to the complex conjugate of the load impedance:

$$S = \frac{\tilde{V}^2}{Z^*} \quad (7.31)$$

The power triangle and complex power greatly simplify load power calculations, as illustrated in the following examples.

**Table 7.1** Real and reactive power

Real power $P_{av}$	Reactive power $Q$
$\tilde{V}\tilde{I} \cos(\theta)$	$\tilde{V}\tilde{I} \sin(\theta)$
$\tilde{I}^2 R$	$\tilde{I}^2 X$



$$|S| = \sqrt{P_{av}^2 + Q^2} = \tilde{V} \cdot \tilde{I}$$

$$P_{av} = \tilde{V}\tilde{I} \cos \theta$$

$$Q = \tilde{V}\tilde{I} \sin \theta$$

**Figure 7.11** The complex power triangle





## FOCUS ON METHODOLOGY

### COMPLEX POWER CALCULATION FOR A SINGLE LOAD

1. Compute the load voltage and current in rms phasor form, using the AC circuit analysis methods presented in Chapter 4 and converting peak amplitude to rms values.

$$\tilde{\mathbf{V}} = \tilde{V} \angle \theta_V$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{I}} = \tilde{I} \angle \theta_I$$

2. Compute the complex power  $S = \tilde{\mathbf{V}}\tilde{\mathbf{I}}^*$  and set  $\text{Re } S = P_{\text{av}}$ ,  $\text{Im } S = Q$ .
3. Draw the power triangle, as shown in Figure 7.11.
4. If  $Q$  is negative, the load is capacitive; if positive, the load is reactive.
5. Compute the apparent power  $|S|$  in volt amperes.



### EXAMPLE 7.4 Complex Power Calculations

#### Problem

Use the definition of complex power to calculate real and reactive power for the load of Figure 7.12.

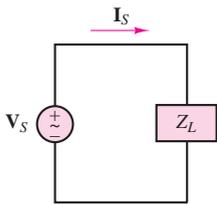


Figure 7.12

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Source, load voltage, and current.

**Find:**  $S = P_{\text{av}} + jQ$  for the complex load.

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $v(t) = 100 \cos(\omega t + 0.262) \text{ V}$ ;  
 $i(t) = 2 \cos(\omega t - 0.262) \text{ A}$ ;  $\omega = 377 \text{ rad/s}$ .

**Assumptions:** Use rms values for all phasor quantities in the problem.

**Analysis:** First, we convert the voltage and current to phasor quantities:

$$\tilde{\mathbf{V}} = \frac{100}{\sqrt{2}} \angle 0.262 \text{ V} \quad \tilde{\mathbf{I}} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{2}} \angle (-0.262) \text{ A}$$

Next, we compute real and reactive power, using the definitions of equation 7.13:

$$P_{\text{av}} = |\tilde{\mathbf{V}}||\tilde{\mathbf{I}}| \cos(\theta) = \frac{200}{2} \cos(0.524) = 86.6 \text{ W}$$

$$Q = |\tilde{\mathbf{V}}||\tilde{\mathbf{I}}| \sin(\theta) = \frac{200}{2} \sin(0.524) = 50 \text{ VAR}$$

Now we apply the definition of complex power (equation 7.28) to repeat the same calculation:

$$\begin{aligned} S = \tilde{\mathbf{V}}\tilde{\mathbf{I}}^* &= \frac{100}{\sqrt{2}} \angle 0.262 \times \frac{2}{\sqrt{2}} \angle -(-0.262) = 100 \angle 0.524 \\ &= 86.6 + j50 \text{ W} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$P_{\text{av}} = 86.6 \text{ W} \quad Q = 50 \text{ VAR}$$

**Comments:** Note how the definition of complex power yields both quantities at one time.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Use complex power notation to compute the real and reactive power for the load of Example 7.2.

Answers:  $P_{\text{av}} = 593 \text{ W}$ ;  $Q = -358 \text{ VAR}$

## EXAMPLE 7.5 Real and Reactive Power Calculations



### Problem

Use the definition of complex power to calculate real and reactive power for the load of Figure 7.13.

### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Source voltage and resistance; load impedance.

**Find:**  $S = P_{\text{av}} + jQ$  for the complex load.

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $\tilde{V}_S = 110\angle 0^\circ \text{ V}$ ;  $R_S = 2 \Omega$ ;  $R_L = 5 \Omega$ ;  $C = 2,000 \mu\text{F}$ .

**Assumptions:** Use rms values for all phasor quantities in the problem.

**Analysis:** Define the load impedance

$$Z_L = R_L + \frac{1}{j\omega C} = 5 - j1.326 = 5.173\angle(-0.259) \Omega$$

Next, compute the load voltage and current:

$$\tilde{V}_L = \frac{Z_L}{R_S + Z_L} \tilde{V}_S = \frac{5 - j1.326}{7 - j1.326} \times 110 = 79.66\angle(-0.072) \text{ V}$$

$$\tilde{I}_L = \frac{\tilde{V}_L}{Z_L} = \frac{79.66\angle(-0.072)}{5.173\angle(-0.259)} = 15.44\angle 0.187 \text{ A}$$

Finally, we compute the complex power, as defined in equation 7.28:

$$\begin{aligned} S &= \tilde{V}_L \tilde{I}_L^* = 79.9\angle(-0.072) \times 15.44\angle(-0.187) = 1,233\angle(-0.259) \\ &= 1,192 - j316 \text{ W} \end{aligned}$$

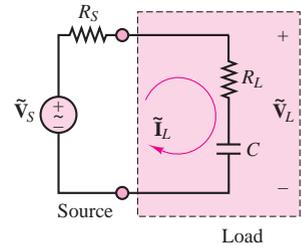


Figure 7.13

Therefore

$$P_{\text{av}} = 1,192 \text{ W} \quad Q = -316 \text{ VAR}$$

**Comments:** Is the reactive power capacitive or inductive?

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Use complex power notation to compute the real and reactive power for the load of Figure 7.8.

$$\text{Answers: } P_{\text{av}} = 2.1 \text{ kW}; Q = 1.39 \text{ kVAR}$$

Although the reactive power does not contribute to any average power dissipation in the load, it may have an adverse effect on power consumption, because it increases the overall rms current flowing in the circuit. Recall from Example 7.2 that the presence of any source resistance (typically, the resistance of the line wires in AC power circuits) will cause a loss of power; the power loss due to this line resistance is unrecoverable and constitutes a net loss for the electric company, since the user never receives this power. Example 7.6 illustrates quantitatively the effect of such **line losses** in an AC circuit.



## EXAMPLE 7.6 Real Power Transfer for Complex Loads

### Problem

Use the definition of complex power to calculate the real and reactive power for the load of Figure 7.14. Repeat the calculation when the inductor is removed from the load, and compare the real power transfer between source and load for the two cases.

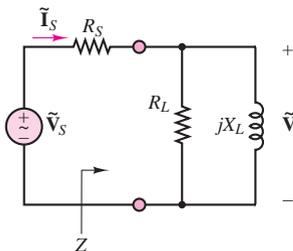


Figure 7.14

### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Source voltage and resistance; load impedance.

**Find:**

1.  $S_a = P_{\text{ava}} + jQ_a$  for the complex load.
2.  $S_b = P_{\text{avb}} + jQ_b$  for the real load.
3. Compare  $P_{\text{av}}/P_S$  for the two cases.

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $\tilde{V}_s = 110\angle 0^\circ \text{ V}$ ;  $R_S = 4 \Omega$ ;  $R_L = 10 \Omega$ ;  $jX_L = j6 \Omega$ .

**Assumptions:** Use rms values for all phasor quantities in the problem.

**Analysis:**

1. The inductor is part of the load. Define the load impedance.

$$Z_L = R_L \parallel j\omega L = \frac{10 \times j6}{10 + j6} = 5.145 \angle 1.03 \, \Omega$$

Next, compute the load voltage and current:

$$\tilde{V}_L = \frac{Z_L}{R_S + Z_L} \tilde{V}_S = \frac{5.145 \angle 1.03}{4 + 5.145 \angle 1.03} \times 110 = 70.9 \angle 0.444 \, \text{V}$$

$$\tilde{I}_L = \frac{\tilde{V}_L}{Z_L} = \frac{70.9 \angle 0.444}{5.145 \angle 1.03} = 13.8 \angle (-0.586) \, \text{A}$$

Finally, we compute the complex power, as defined in equation 7.28:

$$\begin{aligned} S_a = \tilde{V}_L \tilde{I}_L^* &= 70.9 \angle 0.444 \times 13.8 \angle -0.586 = 978 \angle 1.03 \\ &= 503 + j839 \, \text{W} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$P_{ava} = 503 \, \text{W} \quad Q_a = +839 \, \text{VAR}$$

2. The inductor is removed from the load (Figure 7.15). Define the load impedance:

$$Z_L = R_L = 10$$

Next, compute the load voltage and current:

$$\tilde{V}_L = \frac{Z_L}{R_S + Z_L} \tilde{V}_S = \frac{10}{4 + 10} \times 110 = 78.6 \angle 0 \, \text{V}$$

$$\tilde{I}_L = \frac{\tilde{V}_L}{Z_L} = \frac{78.6 \angle 0}{10} = 7.86 \angle 0 \, \text{A}$$

Finally, we compute the complex power, as defined in equation 7.28:

$$S_b = \tilde{V}_L \tilde{I}_L^* = 78.6 \angle 0 \times 7.86 \angle 0 = 617 \angle 0 = 617 \, \text{W}$$

Therefore

$$P_{avb} = 617 \, \text{W} \quad Q_b = 0 \, \text{VAR}$$

3. Compute the percent power transfer in each case. To compute the power transfer we must first compute the power delivered by the source in each case,  $S_S = \tilde{V}_S \tilde{I}_S^*$ . For Case 1:

$$\tilde{I}_S = \frac{\tilde{V}_S}{Z_{\text{total}}} = \frac{\tilde{V}_S}{R_S + Z_L} = \frac{110}{4 + 5.145 \angle 1.03} = 13.8 \angle (-0.586) \, \text{A}$$

$$S_{Sa} = \tilde{V}_S \tilde{I}_S^* = 110 \times 13.8 \angle -(-0.586) = 1,264 + j838 \, \text{VA} = P_{Sa} + jQ_{Sa}$$

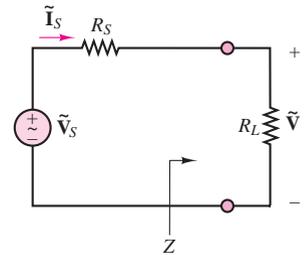
and the percent real power transfer is:

$$100 \times \frac{P_a}{P_{Sa}} = \frac{503}{1,264} = 39.8\%$$

For Case 2:

$$\tilde{I}_S = \frac{\tilde{V}_S}{Z_{\text{total}}} = \frac{\tilde{V}}{R_S + R_L} = \frac{110}{4 + 10} = 7.86 \angle 0 \, \text{A}$$

$$S_{Sb} = \tilde{V}_S \tilde{I}_S^* = 110 \times 7.86 = 864 + j0 \, \text{W} = P_{Sb} + jQ_{Sb}$$



**Figure 7.15**

and the percent real power transfer is:

$$100 \times \frac{P_b}{P_{sb}} = \frac{617}{864} = 71.4\%$$

**Comments:** You can see that if it were possible to eliminate the reactive part of the impedance, the percentage of real power transferred from the source to the load would be significantly increased! A procedure that accomplishes this goal, called *power factor* correction, is discussed next.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Compute the change in percent of power transfer for the case where the inductance of the load is one-half of the original value.

Answer: 17.1 percent

## Power Factor, Revisited

The power factor, defined earlier as the cosine of the angle of the load impedance, plays a very important role in AC power. A power factor close to unity signifies an efficient transfer of energy from the AC source to the load, while a small power factor corresponds to inefficient use of energy, as illustrated in Example 7.6. It should be apparent that if a load requires a fixed amount of real power  $P_{av}$ , the source will be providing the smallest amount of current when the power factor is the greatest, that is, when  $\cos \theta = 1$ . If the power factor is less than unity, some additional current will be drawn from the source, lowering the efficiency of power transfer from the source to the load. However, it will be shown shortly that it is possible to correct the power factor of a load by adding an appropriate reactive component to the load itself.

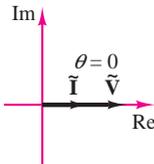
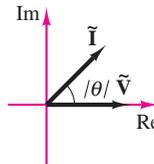
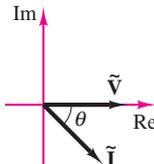
Since the reactive power  $Q$  is related to the reactive part of the load, its sign depends on whether the load reactance is inductive or capacitive. This leads to the following important statement:



If the load has an inductive reactance, then  $\theta$  is positive and the current *lags* (or *follows*) the voltage. Thus, when  $\theta$  and  $Q$  are positive, the corresponding power factor is termed *lagging*. Conversely, a capacitive load will have a negative  $Q$  and hence a negative  $\theta$ . This corresponds to a *leading* power factor, meaning that the load current *leads* the load voltage.

Table 7.2 illustrates the concept and summarizes all the important points so far. In the table, the phasor voltage  $\tilde{V}$  has a zero phase angle, and the current phasor is referenced to the phase of  $\tilde{V}$ .

**Table 7.2** Important facts related to complex power

	Resistive load	Capacitive load	Inductive load
Ohm's law	$\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_L = Z_L \tilde{\mathbf{I}}_L$	$\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_L = Z_L \tilde{\mathbf{I}}_L$	$\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_L = Z_L \tilde{\mathbf{I}}_L$
Complex impedance	$Z_L = R_L$	$Z_L = R_L + jX_L$ $X_L < 0$	$Z_L = R_L + jX_L$ $X_L > 0$
Phase angle	$\theta = 0$	$\theta < 0$	$\theta > 0$
Complex plane sketch			
Explanation	The current is in phase with the voltage.	The current “leads” the voltage.	The current “lags” the voltage.
Power factor	Unity	Leading, $< 1$	Lagging, $< 1$
Reactive power	0	Negative	Positive



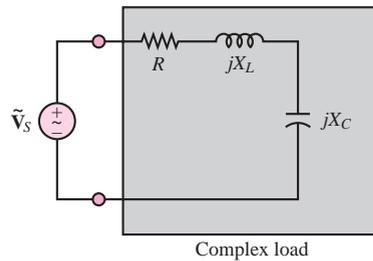
The following examples illustrate the computation of complex power for a simple circuit.

**EXAMPLE 7.7** Complex Power and Power Triangle



**Problem**

Find the reactive and real power for the load of Figure 7.16. Draw the associated power triangle.



**Figure 7.16**

**Solution**

**Known Quantities:** Source voltage; load impedance.

**Find:**  $S = P_{av} + jQ$  for the complex load.

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $\tilde{V}_S = 60\angle 0$  V;  $R = 3\ \Omega$ ;  $jX_L = j9\ \Omega$ ;  $jX_C = -j5\ \Omega$ .

**Assumptions:** Use rms values for all phasor quantities in the problem.

**Analysis:** First, we compute the load current:

$$\tilde{I}_L = \frac{\tilde{V}_L}{Z_L} = \frac{60\angle 0}{3 + j9 - j5} = \frac{60\angle 0}{5\angle 0.9273} = 12\angle(-0.9273)\text{ A}$$

Next, we compute the complex power, as defined in equation 7.28:

$$S = \tilde{V}_L \tilde{I}_L^* = 60\angle 0 \times 12\angle 0.9273 = 720\angle 0.9273 = 432 + j576\text{ VA}$$

Therefore

$$P_{\text{av}} = 432\text{ W} \quad Q = 576\text{ VAR}$$

If we observe that the total reactive power must be the sum of the reactive powers in each of the elements, we can write  $Q = Q_C + Q_L$  and compute each of the two quantities as follows:

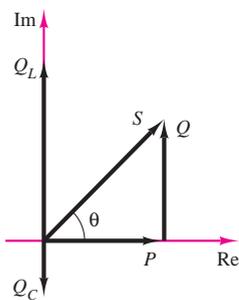
$$Q_C = |\tilde{I}_L|^2 \times X_C = (144)(-5) = -720\text{ VAR}$$

$$Q_L = |\tilde{I}_L|^2 \times X_L = (144)(9) = 1,296\text{ VAR}$$

and

$$Q = Q_L + Q_C = 576\text{ VAR}$$

**Comments:** The power triangle corresponding to this circuit is drawn in Figure 7.17. The vector diagram shows how the complex power  $S$  results from the vector addition of the three components  $P$ ,  $Q_C$ , and  $Q_L$ .



Note:  $S = P_R + jQ_C + jQ_L$

**Figure 7.17**

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Compute the power factor for the load of Example 7.7 with and without the inductor in the circuit.

Answer: pf = 0.6, lagging (with  $L$  in circuit); pf = 0.5145, leading (without  $L$ )

The distinction between leading and lagging power factors made in Table 7.2 is important, because it corresponds to opposite signs of the reactive power:  $Q$  is positive if the load is inductive ( $\theta > 0$ ) and the power factor is lagging;  $Q$  is negative if the load is capacitive and the power factor is leading ( $\theta < 0$ ). It is therefore possible to improve the power factor of a load according to a procedure called **power factor correction**, that is, by placing a suitable reactance in parallel with the load so that the reactive power component generated by the additional reactance is of opposite sign to the original load reactive power. Most often the need is to improve the power factor of an inductive load, because many common industrial loads consist of electric motors, which are predominantly inductive loads. This improvement may be accomplished by placing a capacitance in parallel with the load. Example 7.8 illustrates a typical power factor correction for an industrial load.

## FOCUS ON METHODOLOGY

### COMPLEX POWER CALCULATION FOR POWER FACTOR CORRECTION



1. Compute the load voltage and current in rms phasor form, using the AC circuit analysis methods presented in Chapter 4 and converting peak amplitude to rms values.
2. Compute the complex power  $S = \tilde{\mathbf{V}}\tilde{\mathbf{I}}^*$  and set  $\text{Re } S = P_{av}$ ,  $\text{Im } S = Q$ .
3. Draw the power triangle, for example, as shown in Figure 7.17.
4. Compute the power factor of the load  $\text{pf} = \cos(\theta)$ .
5. If the reactive power of the original load is positive (inductive load), then the power factor can be brought to unity by connecting a parallel capacitor across the load, such that  $Q_C = -1/\omega C = -Q$ , where  $Q$  is the reactance of the inductive load.

### EXAMPLE 7.8 Power Factor Correction

#### Problem

Calculate the complex power for the circuit of Figure 7.18, and correct the power factor to unity by connecting a parallel reactance to the load.



#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Source voltage; load impedance.

#### Find:

1.  $S = P_{av} + jQ$  for the complex load.
2. Value of parallel reactance required for power factor correction resulting in  $\text{pf} = 1$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_S = 117\angle 0^\circ \text{ V}$ ;  $R_L = 50 \Omega$ ;  $jX_L = j86.7 \Omega$ .

**Assumptions:** Use rms values for all phasor quantities in the problem.

#### Analysis:

1. First, we compute the load impedance:

$$Z_L = R + jX_L = 50 + j86.7 = 100\angle 1.047^\circ \Omega$$

Next, we compute the load current

$$\tilde{\mathbf{I}}_L = \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_L}{Z_L} = \frac{117\angle 0^\circ}{50 + j86.6} = \frac{117\angle 0^\circ}{100\angle 1.047^\circ} = 1.17\angle (-1.047^\circ) \text{ A}$$

and the complex power, as defined in equation 7.28:

$$S = \tilde{\mathbf{V}}_L \tilde{\mathbf{I}}_L^* = 117\angle 0^\circ \times 1.17\angle 1.047^\circ = 137\angle 1.047^\circ = 68.4 + j118.5 \text{ W}$$

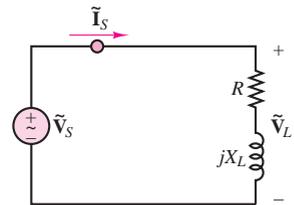


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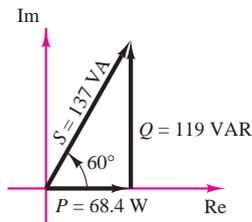


Figure 7.19

Therefore

$$P_{av} = 68.4 \text{ W} \quad Q = 118.5 \text{ VAR}$$

The power triangle corresponding to this circuit is drawn in Figure 7.19. The vector diagram shows how the complex power  $S$  results from the vector addition of the two components  $P$  and  $Q_L$ . To eliminate the reactive power due to the inductance, we will need to add an equal and opposite reactive power component  $-Q_L$ , as described below.

- To compute the reactance needed for the power factor correction, we observe that we need to contribute a negative reactive power equal to  $-118.5 \text{ VAR}$ . This requires a negative reactance and therefore a capacitor with  $Q_C = -118.5 \text{ VAR}$ . The reactance of such a capacitor is given by

$$X_C = \frac{|\tilde{V}_L|^2}{Q_C} = -\frac{(117)^2}{118.5} = -115 \Omega$$

and since

$$C = -\frac{1}{\omega X_C}$$

we have

$$C = -\frac{1}{\omega X_C} = -\frac{1}{377(-115)} = 23.1 \mu\text{F}$$

**Comments:** The power factor correction is illustrated in Figure 7.20. You can see that it is possible to eliminate the reactive part of the impedance, thus significantly increasing the percentage of real power transferred from the source to the load. Power factor correction is a very common procedure in electric power systems.

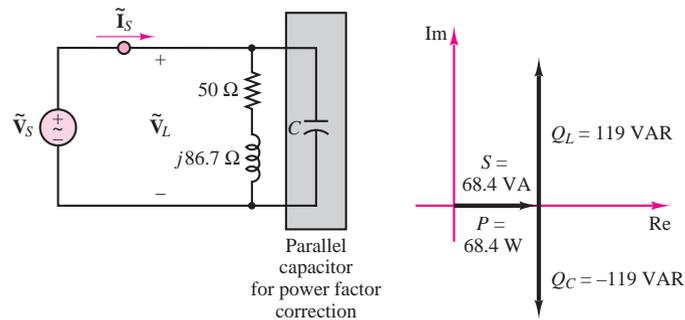


Figure 7.20 Power factor correction

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Compute the magnitude of the current drawn by the source after the power factor correction in Example 7.8.

### EXAMPLE 7.9 Can a Series Capacitor Be Used for Power Factor Correction?



#### Problem

The circuit of Figure 7.21 proposes the use of a series capacitor to perform power factor correction. Show why this is *not* a feasible alternative to the parallel capacitor approach demonstrated in Example 7.8.

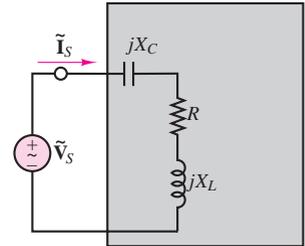


Figure 7.21

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Source voltage; load impedance.

**Find:** Load (source) current.

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $\tilde{V}_S = 117\angle 0^\circ \text{ V}$ ;  $R_L = 50 \Omega$ ;  $jX_L = j86.7 \Omega$ ;  $jX_C = -j86.7 \Omega$ .

**Assumptions:** Use rms values for all phasor quantities in the problem.

**Analysis:** To determine the feasibility of the approach, we compute the load current and voltage, to observe any differences between the circuit of Figure 7.21 and that of Figure 7.20. First, we compute the load impedance:

$$Z_L = R + jX_L - jX_C = 50 + j86.7 - j86.7 = 50 \Omega$$

Next, we compute the load (source) current:

$$\tilde{\mathbf{I}}_L = \tilde{\mathbf{I}}_S = \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_L}{Z_L} = \frac{117\angle 0^\circ}{50} = 2.34 \text{ A}$$

**Comments:** Note that a twofold increase in the series current results from the addition of the series capacitor. This would result in a doubling of the power required by the generator, with respect to the solution found in Example 7.8. Further, in practice, the parallel connection is much easier to accomplish, since a parallel element can be added externally, without the need for breaking the circuit.

### CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Determine the power factor of the load for each of the following two cases, and whether it is leading or lagging.

- $v(t) = 540 \cos(\omega t + 15^\circ) \text{ V}$ ,  $i(t) = 2 \cos(\omega t + 47^\circ) \text{ A}$
- $v(t) = 155 \cos(\omega t - 15^\circ) \text{ V}$ ,  $i(t) = 2 \cos(\omega t - 22^\circ) \text{ A}$

Answers: a. 0.848, leading; b. 0.9925, lagging

The measurement and correction of the power factor for the load are an extremely important aspect of any engineering application in industry that requires the use of

substantial quantities of electric power. In particular, industrial plants, construction sites, heavy machinery, and other heavy users of electric power must be aware of the power factor that their loads present to the electric utility company. As was already observed, a low power factor results in greater current draw from the electric utility and greater line losses. Thus, computations related to the power factor of complex loads are of great utility to any practicing engineer. To provide you with deeper insight into calculations related to power factor, a few more advanced examples are given in the remainder of the section.

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### EXAMPLE 7.10 Power Factor Correction

#### Problem

A capacitor is used to correct the power factor of the load of Figure 7.22. Determine the reactive power when the capacitor is not in the circuit, and compute the required value of capacitance for perfect pf correction.

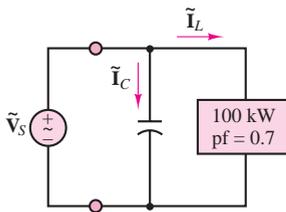


Figure 7.22

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Source voltage; load power and power factor.

#### Find:

1.  $Q$  when the capacitor is not in the circuit.
2. Value of capacitor required for power factor correction resulting in  $\text{pf} = 1$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $\tilde{V}_s = 480\angle 0$ ;  $P = 10^5$  W;  $\text{pf} = 0.7$  lagging.

**Assumptions:** Use rms values for all phasor quantities in the problem.

#### Analysis:

1. With reference to the power triangle of Figure 7.11, we can compute the reactive power of the load from knowledge of the real power and of the power factor, as shown below:

$$|S| = \frac{P}{\cos(\theta)} = \frac{P}{\text{pf}} = \frac{10^5}{0.7} = 1.429 \times 10^5 \text{ VA}$$

Since the power factor is lagging, we know that the reactive power is positive (see Table 7.2), and we can calculate  $Q$  as shown below:

$$Q = |S| \sin(\theta) \quad \theta = \arccos(\text{pf}) = 0.795$$

$$Q = 1.429 \times 10^5 \times \sin(0.795) = 102 \text{ kVAR}$$

2. To compute the reactance needed for the power factor correction, we observe that we need to contribute a negative reactive power equal to  $-102$  kVAR. This requires a negative reactance and therefore a capacitor with  $Q_C = -102$  kVAR. The reactance of such a capacitor is given by

$$X_C = \frac{|\tilde{V}_L|^2}{Q_C} = \frac{(480)^2}{-102 \times 10^5} = -2.258$$

and since

$$C = -\frac{1}{\omega X_C}$$

we have

$$C = -\frac{1}{\omega X_C} = -\frac{1}{377 \times (-2.258)} = 1,175 \mu\text{F}$$

**Comments:** Note that it is not necessary to know the load impedance to perform power factor correction; it is sufficient to know the *apparent* power and the power factor.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Determine if a load is capacitive or inductive, given the following facts:

- pf = 0.87, leading
- pf = 0.42, leading
- $v(t) = 42 \cos(\omega t)$  V,  $i(t) = 4.2 \sin(\omega t)$  A
- $v(t) = 10.4 \cos(\omega t - 22^\circ)$  V,  $i(t) = 0.4 \cos(\omega t - 22^\circ)$  A

Answers: a. Capacitive; b. capacitive; c. inductive; d. neither (resistive)

## EXAMPLE 7.11 Power Factor Correction



### Problem

A second load is added to the circuit of Figure 7.22, as shown in Figure 7.23. Determine the required value of capacitance for perfect pf correction after the second load is added. Draw the phasor diagram showing the relationship between the two load currents and the capacitor current.

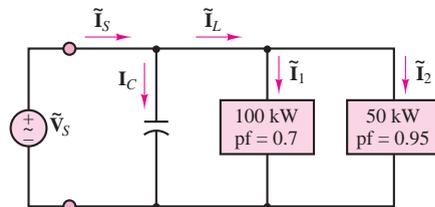


Figure 7.23

### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Source voltage; load power and power factor.

**Find:**

1. Power factor correction capacitor.
2. Phasor diagram.

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $\tilde{V}_S = 480\angle 0^\circ \text{ V}$ ;  $P_1 = 10^5 \text{ W}$ ;  $\text{pf}_1 = 0.7$  lagging;  $P_2 = 5 \times 10^4 \text{ W}$ ;  $\text{pf}_2 = 0.95$  leading;  $\omega = 377 \text{ rad/s}$ .

**Assumptions:** Use rms values for all phasor quantities in the problem.

**Analysis:**

1. We first compute the two load currents, using the relationships given in equations 7.28 and 7.29:

$$P = |\tilde{V}_S| |\tilde{I}_1^*| \cos(\theta_1)$$

$$|\tilde{I}_1^*| = \frac{P_1}{|\tilde{V}_S| \cos(\theta_1)}$$

$$\tilde{I}_1 = \frac{P_1}{|\tilde{V}_S| \text{pf}_1} \angle -\arccos(\text{pf}_1) = \frac{10^5}{480 \times 0.7} \angle -\arccos(0.7)$$

$$= 298 \angle (-0.795) \text{ A}$$

and similarly

$$\tilde{I}_2 = \frac{P_2}{|\tilde{V}_S| \text{pf}_2} \angle \arccos(\text{pf}_2) = \frac{5 \times 10^4}{480 \times 0.95} \angle \arccos(0.95)$$

$$= 110 \angle (0.318) \text{ A}$$

where we have selected the positive value of  $\arccos(\text{pf}_1)$  because  $\text{pf}_1$  is lagging, and the negative value of  $\arccos(\text{pf}_2)$  because  $\text{pf}_2$  is leading. Now we compute the apparent power at each load:

$$|S_1| = \frac{P_1}{\text{pf}_1} = \frac{P_1}{\cos(\theta_1)} = \frac{10^5}{0.7} = 1.429 \times 10^5 \text{ VA}$$

$$|S_2| = \frac{P_2}{\text{pf}_2} = \frac{P_2}{\cos(\theta_2)} = \frac{5 \times 10^4}{0.95} = 5.263 \times 10^4 \text{ VA}$$

and from these values we can calculate  $Q$  as shown:

$$Q_1 = |S_1| \sin(\theta_1) \quad \theta_1 = \arccos(\text{pf}_1) = 0.795$$

$$Q_1 = 1.429 \times 10^5 \times \sin(0.795) = 102 \text{ kVAR}$$

$$Q_2 = |S_2| \sin(\theta_2) \quad \theta_2 = -\arccos(\text{pf}_2) = -0.318$$

$$Q_2 = 5.263 \times 10^4 \times \sin(-0.318) = -16.43 \text{ kVAR}$$

where, once again,  $\theta_1$  is positive because  $\text{pf}_1$  is lagging and  $\theta_2$  is negative because  $\text{pf}_2$  is leading (see Table 7.2).

The total reactive power is therefore  $Q = Q_1 + Q_2 = 85.6 \text{ kVAR}$ .

To compute the reactance needed for the power factor correction, we observe that we need to contribute a negative reactive power equal to  $-85.6 \text{ kVAR}$ . This requires a negative reactance and therefore a capacitor with  $Q_C = -85.6 \text{ kVAR}$ . The reactance of such a capacitor is given by

$$X_C = \frac{|\tilde{V}_S|^2}{Q_C} = \frac{(480)^2}{-85.6 \times 10^3} = -2.694$$

and since

$$C = -\frac{1}{\omega X_C}$$

we have

$$C = \frac{1}{\omega X_C} = -\frac{1}{377(-2.692)} = 984.6 \mu\text{F}$$

2. To draw the phasor diagram, we need only to compute the capacitor current, since we have already computed the other two:

$$Z_C = jX_C = -j2.692 \Omega$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{I}}_C = \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_S}{Z_C} = 178.2 \angle \frac{\pi}{2} \text{ A}$$

The total current is  $\tilde{\mathbf{I}}_S = \tilde{\mathbf{I}}_1 + \tilde{\mathbf{I}}_2 + \tilde{\mathbf{I}}_C = 312.5 \angle 0^\circ \text{ A}$ . The phasor diagram corresponding to these three currents is shown in Figure 7.24.

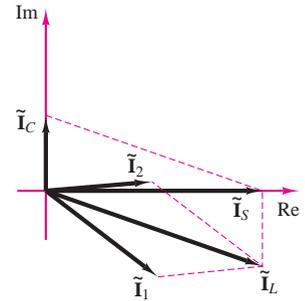


Figure 7.24

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Compute the power factor for an inductive load with  $L = 100 \text{ mH}$  and  $R = 0.4 \Omega$ .

Answer: pf = 0.0105, lagging

## 7.3 TRANSFORMERS

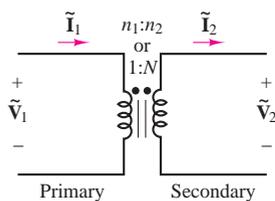
AC circuits are very commonly connected to each other by means of **transformers**. A transformer is a device that couples two AC circuits magnetically rather than through any direct conductive connection and permits a “transformation” of the voltage and current between one circuit and the other (e.g., by matching a high-voltage, low-current AC output to a circuit requiring a low-voltage, high-current source). Transformers play a major role in electric power engineering and are a necessary part of the electric power distribution network. The objective of this section is to introduce the ideal transformer and the concepts of impedance reflection and impedance matching. The physical operations of practical transformers, and more advanced models, is discussed in Chapter 14.

### The Ideal Transformer

The ideal transformer consists of two coils that are coupled to each other by some magnetic medium. There is no electrical connection between the coils. The coil on the input side is termed the **primary**, and that on the output side the **secondary**. The

primary coil is wound so that it has  $n_1$  turns, while the secondary has  $n_2$  turns. We define the **turns ratio**  $N$  as

$$N = \frac{n_2}{n_1} \quad (7.32)$$



**Figure 7.25** Ideal transformer

Figure 7.25 illustrates the convention by which voltages and currents are usually assigned at a transformer. The dots in Figure 7.25 are related to the polarity of the coil voltage: coil terminals marked with a dot have the same polarity.

Since an ideal inductor acts as a short circuit in the presence of DC, transformers do not perform any useful function when the primary voltage is DC. However, when a time-varying current flows in the primary winding, a corresponding time-varying voltage is generated in the secondary because of the magnetic coupling between the two coils. This behavior is due to Faraday's law, as explained in Chapter 14. The relationship between primary and secondary current in an ideal transformer is very simply stated as follows:



$$\tilde{V}_2 = N\tilde{V}_1$$

$$\tilde{I}_2 = \frac{\tilde{I}_1}{N}$$

Ideal transformer

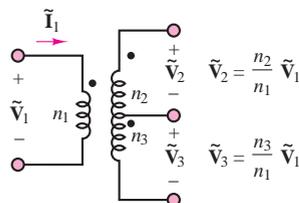
(7.33)



An ideal transformer multiplies a sinusoidal input voltage by a factor of  $N$  and divides a sinusoidal input current by a factor of  $N$ .

If  $N$  is greater than 1, the output voltage is greater than the input voltage and the transformer is called a **step-up transformer**. If  $N$  is less than 1, then the transformer is called a **step-down transformer**, since  $\tilde{V}_2$  is now smaller than  $\tilde{V}_1$ . An ideal transformer can be used in either direction (i.e., either of its coils may be viewed as the input side, or primary). Finally, a transformer with  $N = 1$  is called an **isolation transformer** and may perform a very useful function if one needs to electrically isolate two circuits from each other; note that any DC at the primary will not appear at the secondary coil. An important property of ideal transformers is the conservation of power; one can easily verify that an ideal transformer conserves power, since

$$S_1 = \tilde{I}_1^* \tilde{V}_1 = N \tilde{I}_2^* \frac{\tilde{V}_2}{N} = \tilde{I}_2^* \tilde{V}_2 = S_2 \quad (7.34)$$



**Figure 7.26** Center-tapped transformer

That is, the power on the primary side equals that on the secondary.

In many practical circuits, the secondary is tapped at two different points, giving rise to two separate output circuits, as shown in Figure 7.26. The most common configuration is the **center-tapped transformer**, which splits the secondary voltage into two equal voltages. The most common occurrence of this type of transformer is found at the entry of a power line into a household, where a high-voltage primary (see Figure 7.52) is transformed to 240 V and split into two 120-V lines. Thus,  $\tilde{V}_2$  and  $\tilde{V}_3$  in Figure 7.26 are both 120-V lines, and a 240-V line ( $\tilde{V}_2 + \tilde{V}_3$ ) is also available.

**EXAMPLE 7.12 Ideal Transformer Turns Ratio****Problem**

We require a transformer to deliver 500 mA at 24 V from a 120-V rms line source. How many turns are required in the secondary? What is the primary current?

**Solution**

**Known Quantities:** Primary and secondary voltages; secondary current; number of turns in the primary coil.

**Find:**  $n_2$  and  $\tilde{I}_1$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $\tilde{V}_1 = 120$  V;  $\tilde{V}_2 = 24$  V;  $\tilde{I}_2 = 500$  mA;  $n_1 = 3,000$  turns.

**Assumptions:** Use rms values for all phasor quantities in the problem.

**Analysis:** Using equation 7.33, we compute the number of turns in the secondary coil as follows:

$$\frac{\tilde{V}_1}{n_1} = \frac{\tilde{V}_2}{n_2} \quad n_2 = n_1 \frac{\tilde{V}_2}{\tilde{V}_1} = 3,000 \times \frac{24}{120} = 600 \text{ turns}$$

Knowing the number of turns, we can now compute the primary current, also from equation 7.33:

$$n_1 \tilde{I}_1 = n_2 \tilde{I}_2 \quad \tilde{I}_1 = \frac{n_2}{n_1} \tilde{I}_2 = \frac{600}{3,000} \times 500 = 100 \text{ mA}$$

**Comments:** Note that since the transformer does not affect the phase of the voltages and currents, we could solve the problem by using simply the rms amplitudes.

**CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING**

With reference to Example 7.12, compute the number of primary turns required if  $n_2 = 600$  but the transformer is required to deliver 1 A. What is the primary current now?

Answers:  $n_1 = 3,000$ ;  $\tilde{I}_1 = 200$  mA

**EXAMPLE 7.13 Center-Tapped Transformer****Problem**

A center-tapped power transformer has a primary voltage of 4,800 V and two 120-V secondaries (see Figure 7.26). Three loads (all resistive, i.e., with unity power factor) are connected to

the transformer. The first load,  $R_1$ , is connected across the 240-V line (the two outside taps in Figure 7.26). The second and third loads,  $R_2$  and  $R_3$ , are connected across each of the 120-V lines. Compute the current in the primary if the power absorbed by the three loads is known.

### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Primary and secondary voltages; load power ratings.

**Find:**  $\tilde{I}_{\text{primary}}$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $\tilde{V}_1 = 4,800 \text{ V}$ ;  $\tilde{V}_2 = 120 \text{ V}$ ;  $\tilde{V}_3 = 120 \text{ V}$ ;  $P_1 = 5,000 \text{ W}$ ;  $P_2 = 1,000 \text{ W}$ ;  $P_3 = 1,500 \text{ W}$ .

**Assumptions:** Use rms values for all phasor quantities in the problem.

**Analysis:** Since we have no information about the number of windings or about the secondary current, we cannot solve this problem by using equation 7.33. An alternative approach is to apply conservation of power (equation 7.34). Since the loads all have unity power factor, the voltages and currents will all be in phase, and we can use the rms amplitudes in our calculations:

$$|S_{\text{primary}}| = |S_{\text{secondary}}|$$

or

$$\tilde{V}_{\text{primary}} \times \tilde{I}_{\text{primary}} = P_{\text{secondary}} = P_1 + P_2 + P_3$$

Thus,

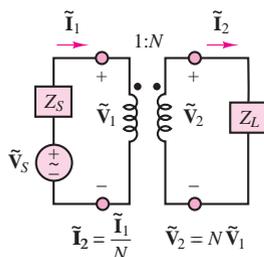
$$4,800 \times \tilde{I}_{\text{primary}} = 5,000 + 1,000 + 1,500 = 7,500 \text{ W}$$

$$\tilde{I}_{\text{primary}} = \frac{7,500 \text{ W}}{4,800 \text{ A}} = 1.5625 \text{ A}$$

### CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

If the transformer of Example 7.13 has 300 turns in the secondary coil, how many turns will the primary require?

Answer:  $n_2 = 12,000$



**Figure 7.27** Operation of an ideal transformer

### Impedance Reflection and Power Transfer

As stated in the preceding paragraphs, transformers are commonly used to couple one AC circuit to another. A very common and rather general situation is that depicted in Figure 7.27, where an AC source, represented by its Thévenin equivalent, is connected to an equivalent load impedance by means of a transformer.

It should be apparent that expressing the circuit in phasor form does not alter the basic properties of the ideal transformer, as illustrated in the following equations:

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_1 &= \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_2}{N} & \tilde{\mathbf{I}}_1 &= N\tilde{\mathbf{I}}_2 \\ \tilde{\mathbf{V}}_2 &= N\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_1 & \tilde{\mathbf{I}}_2 &= \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{I}}_1}{N}\end{aligned}\quad (7.35)$$

These expressions are very useful in determining the equivalent impedance seen by the source and by the load, on opposite sides of the transformer. At the primary connection, the equivalent impedance seen by the source must equal the ratio of  $\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_1$  to  $\tilde{\mathbf{I}}_1$

$$Z' = \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_1}{\tilde{\mathbf{I}}_1} \quad (7.36)$$

which can be written as

$$Z' = \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_2/N}{N\tilde{\mathbf{I}}_2} = \frac{1}{N^2} \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_2}{\tilde{\mathbf{I}}_2} \quad (7.37)$$

But the ratio  $\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_2/\tilde{\mathbf{I}}_2$  is, by definition, the load impedance  $Z_L$ . Thus,

$$Z' = \frac{1}{N^2} Z_L \quad (7.38)$$

That is, the AC source “sees” the load impedance reduced by a factor of  $1/N^2$ .

The load impedance also sees an equivalent source. The open-circuit voltage is given by

$$\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_{oc} = N\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_1 = N\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_s \quad (7.39)$$

since there is no voltage drop across the source impedance in the circuit of Figure 7.27.

The short-circuit current is given by

$$\tilde{\mathbf{I}}_{sc} = \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_s}{Z_s} \frac{1}{N} \quad (7.40)$$

and the load sees a Thévenin impedance equal to

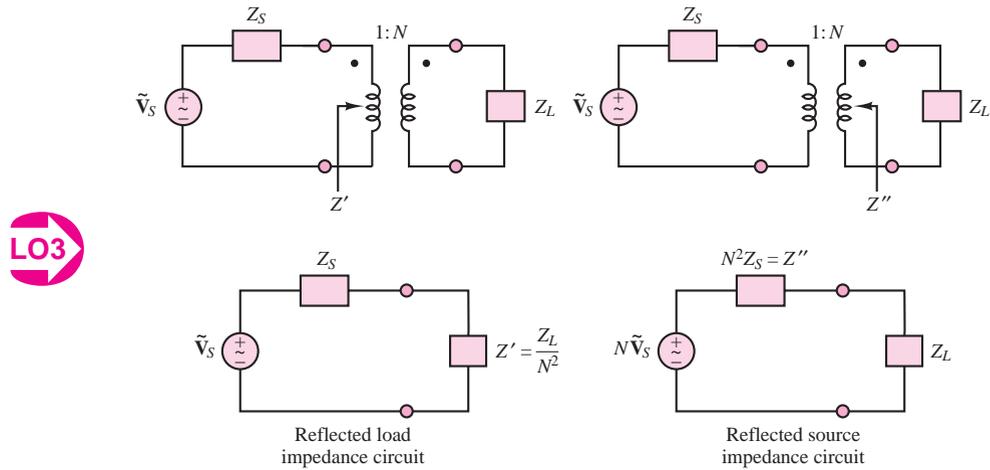
$$Z'' = \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_{oc}}{\tilde{\mathbf{I}}_{sc}} = \frac{N\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_s}{(\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_s/Z_s)(1/N)} = N^2 Z_s \quad (7.41)$$

Thus the load sees the source impedance multiplied by a factor of  $N^2$ . Figure 7.28 illustrates this **impedance reflection** across a transformer. It is very important to note that an ideal transformer changes the magnitude of the load impedance seen by the source by a factor of  $1/N^2$ . This property naturally leads to the discussion of power transfer, which we consider next.

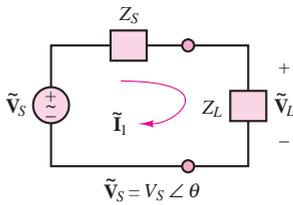
Recall that in DC circuits, given a fixed equivalent source, maximum power is transferred to a resistive load when the latter is equal to the internal resistance of the source; achieving an analogous maximum power transfer condition in an AC circuit is referred to as **impedance matching**. Consider the general form of an AC circuit, shown in Figure 7.29, and assume that the source impedance  $Z_s$  is given by

$$Z_s = R_s + jX_s \quad (7.42)$$

The problem of interest is often that of selecting the load resistance and reactance that will maximize the real (average) power absorbed by the load. Note that the



**Figure 7.28** Impedance reflection across a transformer



**Figure 7.29** The maximum power transfer problem in AC circuits

requirement is to maximize the real power absorbed by the load. Thus, the problem can be restated by expressing the real load power in terms of the impedance of the source and load. The real power absorbed by the load is

$$P_L = \tilde{V}_L \tilde{I}_L \cos \theta = \operatorname{Re}(\tilde{V}_L \tilde{I}_L^*) \quad (7.43)$$

where

$$\tilde{V}_L = \frac{Z_L}{Z_S + Z_L} \tilde{V}_S \quad (7.44)$$

and

$$\tilde{I}_L^* = \left( \frac{\tilde{V}_S}{Z_S + Z_L} \right)^* = \frac{\tilde{V}_S^*}{(Z_S + Z_L)^*} \quad (7.45)$$

Thus, the complex load power is given by

$$S_L = \tilde{V}_L \tilde{I}_L^* = \frac{Z_L \tilde{V}_S}{Z_S + Z_L} \times \frac{\tilde{V}_S^*}{(Z_S + Z_L)^*} = \frac{\tilde{V}_S^2}{|Z_S + Z_L|^2} Z_L \quad (7.46)$$

and the average (real) power by

$$\begin{aligned} P_L &= \operatorname{Re}(\tilde{V}_L \tilde{I}_L^*) = \operatorname{Re} \left( \frac{\tilde{V}_S^2}{|Z_S + Z_L|^2} \right) \operatorname{Re}(Z_L) \\ &= \frac{\tilde{V}_S^2}{(R_S + R_L)^2 + (X_S + X_L)^2} \operatorname{Re}(Z_L) \\ &= \frac{\tilde{V}_S^2 R_L}{(R_S + R_L)^2 + (X_S + X_L)^2} \end{aligned} \quad (7.47)$$

The expression for  $P_L$  is maximized by selecting appropriate values of  $R_L$  and  $X_L$ ; it can be shown that the average power is greatest when  $R_L = R_S$  and  $X_L = -X_S$ , that is,

when the load impedance is equal to the complex conjugate of the source impedance, as shown in the following equation:

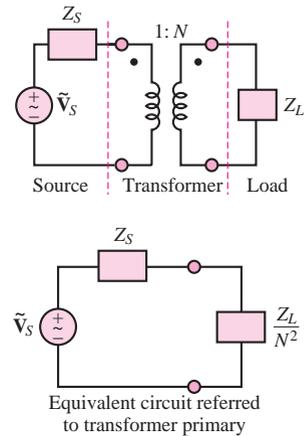
$$\begin{aligned} Z_L &= Z_S^* && \text{Maximum power transfer} \\ &\text{that is,} && \\ R_L &= R_S && X_L = -X_S \end{aligned} \quad (7.48)$$



When the load impedance is equal to the complex conjugate of the source impedance, the load and source impedances are matched and maximum power is transferred to the load.

In many cases, it may not be possible to select a matched load impedance, because of physical limitations in the selection of appropriate components. In these situations, it is possible to use the impedance reflection properties of a transformer to maximize the transfer of AC power to the load. The circuit of Figure 7.30 illustrates how the reflected load impedance, as seen by the source, is equal to  $Z_L/N^2$ , so that maximum power transfer occurs when

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{Z_L}{N^2} &= Z_S^* \\ R_L &= N^2 R_S \\ X_L &= -N^2 X_S \end{aligned} \quad (7.49)$$



**Figure 7.30** Maximum power transfer in an AC circuit with a transformer

### EXAMPLE 7.14 Use of Transformers to Increase Power Line Efficiency



#### Problem

Figure 7.31 illustrates the use of transformers in electric power transmission lines. The practice of transforming the voltage before and after transmission of electric power over long distances is very common. This example illustrates the gain in efficiency that can be achieved through the use of transformers. The example makes use of ideal transformers and assumes simple resistive circuit models for the generator, transmission line, and load. These simplifications permit a clearer understanding of the efficiency gains afforded by transformers.

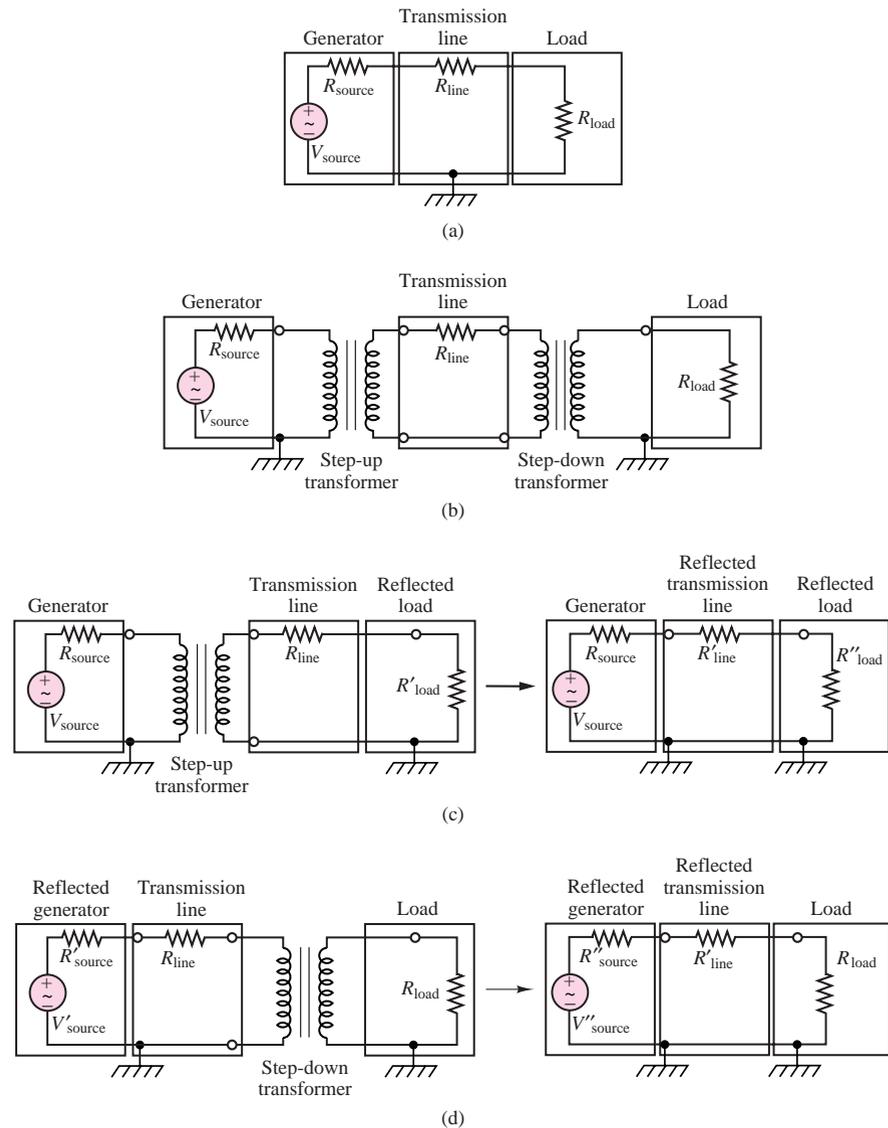
#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Values of circuit elements.

**Find:** Calculate the power transfer efficiency for the two circuits of Figure 7.31.

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:** Step-up transformer turns ratio is  $N$ ; step-down transformer turns ratio is  $M = 1/N$ .

**Assumptions:** None.



**Figure 7.31** Electric power transmission: (a) direct power transmission; (b) power transmission with transformers; (c) equivalent circuit seen by generator; (d) equivalent circuit seen by load

**Analysis:** For the circuit of Figure 7.31(a), we can calculate the power transmission efficiency as follows, since the load and source currents are equal:

$$\eta = \frac{P_{\text{load}}}{P_{\text{source}}} = \frac{\tilde{V}_{\text{load}} \tilde{I}_{\text{load}}}{\tilde{V}_{\text{source}} \tilde{I}_{\text{load}}} = \frac{\tilde{V}_{\text{load}}}{\tilde{V}_{\text{source}}} = \frac{R_{\text{load}}}{R_{\text{source}} + R_{\text{line}} + R_{\text{load}}}$$

For the circuit of Figure 7.31(b), we must take into account the effect of the transformers. Using equation 7.38 and starting from the load side, we can “reflect” the load impedance to the left of the step-down transformer to obtain

$$R'_{\text{load}} = \frac{1}{M^2} R_{\text{load}} = N^2 R_{\text{load}}$$

Now, the source sees the equivalent impedance  $R'_{\text{load}} + R_{\text{line}}$  across the first transformer. If we reflect this impedance to the left of the step-up transformer, the equivalent impedance seen by the source is

$$R''_{\text{load}} = \frac{1}{N^2}(R'_{\text{load}} + R_{\text{line}}) = R_{\text{load}} + \frac{1}{N^2}R_{\text{line}}$$

These two steps are depicted in Figure 7.31(c). You can see that the effect of the two transformers is to reduce the line resistance seen by the source by a factor of  $1/N^2$ . The source current is

$$\tilde{I}_{\text{source}} = \frac{\tilde{V}_{\text{source}}}{R_{\text{source}} + R''_{\text{load}}} = \frac{\tilde{V}_{\text{source}}}{R_{\text{source}} + (1/N^2)R_{\text{line}} + R_{\text{load}}}$$

and the source power is therefore given by the expression

$$P_{\text{source}} = \frac{\tilde{V}_{\text{source}}^2}{R_{\text{source}} + (1/N^2)R_{\text{line}} + R_{\text{load}}}$$

Now we can repeat the same process, starting from the left and reflecting the source circuit to the right of the step-up transformer:

$$\tilde{V}'_{\text{source}} = N\tilde{V}_{\text{source}} \quad \text{and} \quad R'_{\text{source}} = N^2R_{\text{source}}$$

Now the circuit to the left of the step-down transformer comprises the series combination of  $\tilde{V}'_{\text{source}}$ ,  $R'_{\text{source}}$ , and  $R_{\text{line}}$ . If we reflect this to the right of the step-down transformer, we obtain a series circuit with  $\tilde{V}''_{\text{source}} = M\tilde{V}'_{\text{source}} = \tilde{V}_{\text{source}}$ ,  $R'_{\text{source}} = M^2R'_{\text{source}} = R_{\text{source}}$ ,  $R'_{\text{line}} = M^2R_{\text{line}}$ , and  $R_{\text{load}}$  in series. These steps are depicted in Figure 7.31(d). Thus the load voltage and current are

$$\tilde{I}_{\text{load}} = \frac{\tilde{V}_{\text{source}}}{R_{\text{source}} + (1/N^2)R_{\text{line}} + R_{\text{load}}}$$

and

$$\tilde{V}_{\text{load}} = \tilde{V}_{\text{source}} \frac{R_{\text{load}}}{R_{\text{source}} + (1/N^2)R_{\text{line}} + R_{\text{load}}}$$

and we can calculate the load power as

$$P_{\text{load}} = \tilde{I}_{\text{load}}\tilde{V}_{\text{load}} = \frac{\tilde{V}_{\text{source}}^2 R_{\text{load}}}{(R_{\text{source}} + (1/N^2)R_{\text{line}} + R_{\text{load}})^2}$$

Finally, the power efficiency can be computed as the ratio of the load to source power:

$$\begin{aligned} \eta &= \frac{P_{\text{load}}}{P_{\text{source}}} = \frac{\tilde{V}_{\text{source}}^2 R_{\text{load}}}{(R_{\text{source}} + (1/N^2)R_{\text{line}} + R_{\text{load}})^2} \frac{R_{\text{source}} + (1/N^2)R_{\text{line}} + R_{\text{load}}}{\tilde{V}_{\text{source}}^2} \\ &= \frac{R_{\text{load}}}{R_{\text{source}} + (1/N^2)R_{\text{line}} + R_{\text{load}}} \end{aligned}$$

Comparing the expression with the one obtained for the circuit of Figure 7.31(a), we can see that the power transmission efficiency can be significantly improved by reducing the effect of the line resistance by a factor of  $1/N^2$ .

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## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Assume that the generator produces a source voltage of 480 Vrms, and that  $N = 300$ . Further assume that the source impedance is  $2 \Omega$ , the line impedance is also  $2 \Omega$ , and that the load

impedance is  $8 \Omega$ . Calculate the efficiency improvement for the circuit of Figure 7.31(b) over the circuit of Figure 7.31(a).

Answer: 80% vs. 67%



### EXAMPLE 7.15 Maximum Power Transfer Through a Transformer

#### Problem

Find the transformer turns ratio and load reactance that results in maximum power transfer in the circuit of Figure 7.32.

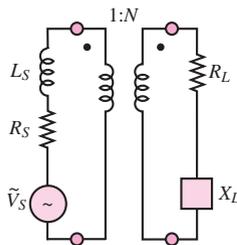


Figure 7.32

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Source voltage, frequency, and impedance; load resistance.

**Find:** Transformer turns ratio and load reactance.

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $\tilde{V}_S = 240\angle 0^\circ \text{ V}$ ;  $R_S = 10 \Omega$ ;  $L_S = 0.1 \text{ H}$ ;  $R_L = 400 \Omega$ ;  $\omega = 377 \text{ rad/s}$ .

**Assumptions:** Use rms values for all phasor quantities in the problem.

**Analysis:** For maximum power transfer, we require that  $R_L = N^2 R_S$  (equation 7.48). Thus,

$$N^2 = \frac{R_L}{R_S} = \frac{400}{10} = 40 \quad N = \sqrt{40} = 6.325$$

Further, to cancel the reactive power, we require that  $X_L = -N^2 X_S$ , that is,

$$X_S = \omega \times 0.1 = 37.7$$

and

$$X_L = -40 \times 37.7 = -1,508$$

Thus, the load reactance should be a capacitor with value

$$C = -\frac{1}{X_L \omega} = -\frac{1}{(-1,508)(377)} = 1.76 \mu\text{F}$$

### CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

The transformer shown in Figure 7.33 is ideal. Find the turns ratio  $N$  that will ensure maximum power transfer to the load. Assume that  $Z_S = 1,800 \Omega$  and  $Z_L = 8 \Omega$ .

The transformer shown in Figure 7.33 is ideal. Find the source impedance  $Z_S$  that will ensure maximum power transfer to the load. Assume that  $N = 5.4$  and  $Z_L = 2 + j10 \Omega$ .

Answers:  $N = 0.0667$ ;  $Z_S = 0.0686 - j0.3429 \Omega$

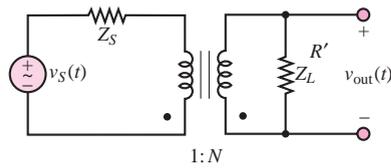


Figure 7.33

## 7.4 THREE-PHASE POWER

The material presented so far in this chapter has dealt exclusively with **single-phase AC power**, that is, with single sinusoidal sources. In fact, most of the AC power used today is generated and distributed as **three-phase power**, by means of an arrangement in which three sinusoidal voltages are generated out of phase with one another. The primary reason is efficiency: The weight of the conductors and other components in a three-phase system is much lower than that in a single-phase system delivering the same amount of power. Further, while the power produced by a single-phase system has a pulsating nature (recall the results of Section 7.1), a three-phase system can deliver a steady, constant supply of power. For example, later in this section it will be shown that a three-phase generator producing three **balanced voltages**—that is, voltages of equal amplitude and frequency displaced in phase by  $120^\circ$ —has the property of delivering constant instantaneous power.

Another important advantage of three-phase power is that, as will be explained in Chapter 15, three-phase motors have a nonzero starting torque, unlike their single-phase counterpart. The change to three-phase AC power systems from the early DC system proposed by Edison was therefore due to a number of reasons: the efficiency resulting from transforming voltages up and down to minimize transmission losses over long distances; the ability to deliver constant power (an ability not shared by single- and two-phase AC systems); a more efficient use of conductors; and the ability to provide starting torque for industrial motors.

To begin the discussion of three-phase power, consider a three-phase source connected in the **wye** (or **Y**) **configuration**, as shown in Figure 7.34. Each of the three voltages is  $120^\circ$  out of phase with the others, so that, using phasor notation,

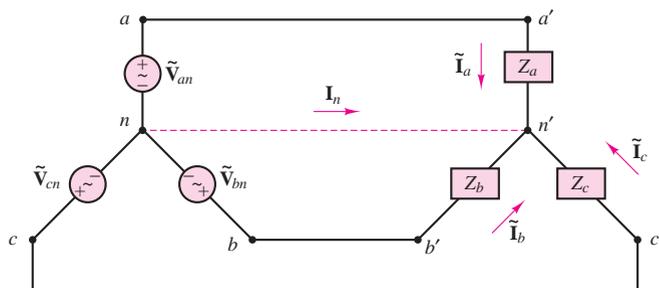


Figure 7.34 Balanced three-phase AC circuit

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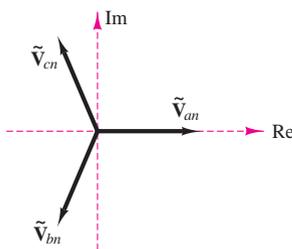
$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{V}_{an} &= \tilde{V}_{an} \angle 0^\circ \\ \tilde{V}_{bn} &= \tilde{V}_{bn} \angle -(120^\circ) \\ \tilde{V}_{cn} &= \tilde{V}_{cn} \angle (-240^\circ) = \tilde{V}_{cn} \angle 120^\circ\end{aligned}\quad \text{Phase voltages} \quad (7.50)$$

where the quantities  $\tilde{V}_{an}$ ,  $\tilde{V}_{bn}$ , and  $\tilde{V}_{cn}$  are rms values and are equal to each other. To simplify the notation, it will be assumed from here on that

$$\tilde{V}_{an} = \tilde{V}_{bn} = \tilde{V}_{cn} = \tilde{V} \quad (7.51)$$

In the circuit of Figure 7.34, the resistive loads are also wye-connected and balanced (i.e., equal). The three AC sources are all connected together at a node called the *neutral node*, denoted by  $n$ . The voltages  $\tilde{V}_{an}$ ,  $\tilde{V}_{bn}$ , and  $\tilde{V}_{cn}$  are called the **phase voltages** and form a balanced set in the sense that

$$\tilde{V}_{an} + \tilde{V}_{bn} + \tilde{V}_{cn} = 0 \quad (7.52)$$



**Figure 7.35** Positive, or *abc*, sequence for balanced three-phase voltages

This last statement is easily verified by sketching the phasor diagram. The sequence of phasor voltages shown in Figure 7.35 is usually referred to as the **positive** (or *abc*) **sequence**.

Consider now the “lines” connecting each source to the load, and observe that it is possible to also define **line voltages** (also called *line-to-line voltages*) by considering the voltages between lines  $aa'$  and  $bb'$ , lines  $aa'$  and  $cc'$ , and lines  $bb'$  and  $cc'$ . Since the line voltage, say, between  $aa'$  and  $bb'$  is given by

$$\tilde{V}_{ab} = \tilde{V}_{an} + \tilde{V}_{nb} = \tilde{V}_{an} - \tilde{V}_{bn} \quad (7.53)$$

the line voltages may be computed relative to the phase voltages as follows:

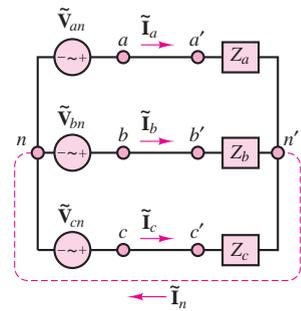


$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{V}_{ab} &= \tilde{V} \angle 0^\circ - \tilde{V} \angle (-120^\circ) = \sqrt{3} \tilde{V} \angle 30^\circ \\ \tilde{V}_{bc} &= \tilde{V} \angle (-120^\circ) - \tilde{V} \angle 120^\circ = \sqrt{3} \tilde{V} \angle (-90^\circ) \\ \tilde{V}_{ca} &= \tilde{V} \angle 120^\circ - \tilde{V} \angle 0^\circ = \sqrt{3} \tilde{V} \angle 150^\circ\end{aligned}\quad \text{Line voltages} \quad (7.54)$$

It can be seen, then, that the magnitude of the line voltages is equal to  $\sqrt{3}$  times the magnitude of the phase voltages. It is instructive, at least once, to point out that the circuit of Figure 7.34 can be redrawn to have the appearance of the circuit of Figure 7.36, where it is clear that the three circuits are in parallel.

One of the important features of a balanced three-phase system is that it does not require a fourth wire (the neutral connection), since the current  $\tilde{\mathbf{I}}_n$  is identically zero (for balanced load  $Z_a = Z_b = Z_c = Z$ ). This can be shown by applying KCL at the neutral node  $n$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\mathbf{I}}_n &= \tilde{\mathbf{I}}_a + \tilde{\mathbf{I}}_b + \tilde{\mathbf{I}}_c \\ &= \frac{1}{Z}(\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_{an} + \tilde{\mathbf{V}}_{bn} + \tilde{\mathbf{V}}_{cn}) \\ &= 0 \end{aligned} \tag{7.55}$$



**Figure 7.36** Balanced three-phase AC circuit (redrawn)

Another, more important characteristic of a balanced three-phase power system may be illustrated by simplifying the circuits of Figures 7.34 and 7.36 by replacing the balanced load impedances with three equal resistances  $R$ . With this simplified configuration, one can show that the total power delivered to the balanced load by the three-phase generator is constant. This is an extremely important result, for a very practical reason: Delivering power in a smooth fashion (as opposed to the pulsating nature of single-phase power) reduces the wear and stress on the generating equipment. Although we have not yet discussed the nature of the machines used to generate power, a useful analogy here is that of a single-cylinder engine versus a perfectly balanced V-8 engine. To show that the total power delivered by the three sources to a balanced resistive load is constant, consider the instantaneous power delivered by each source:

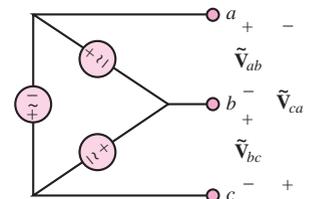
$$\begin{aligned} p_a(t) &= \frac{\tilde{V}^2}{R}(1 + \cos 2\omega t) \\ p_b(t) &= \frac{\tilde{V}^2}{R}[1 + \cos(2\omega t - 120^\circ)] \\ p_c(t) &= \frac{\tilde{V}^2}{R}[1 + \cos(2\omega t + 120^\circ)] \end{aligned} \tag{7.56}$$

The total instantaneous load power is then given by the sum of the three contributions:

$$\begin{aligned} p(t) &= p_a(t) + p_b(t) + p_c(t) \\ &= \frac{3\tilde{V}^2}{R} + \frac{\tilde{V}^2}{R}[\cos 2\omega t + \cos(2\omega t - 120^\circ) \\ &\quad + \cos(2\omega t + 120^\circ)] \\ &= \frac{3\tilde{V}^2}{R} = \text{constant!} \end{aligned} \tag{7.57}$$

You may wish to verify that the sum of the trigonometric terms inside the brackets is identically zero.

It is also possible to connect the three AC sources in a three-phase system in a **delta** (or  $\Delta$ ) **connection**, although in practice this configuration is rarely used. Figure 7.37 depicts a set of three delta-connected generators.



A delta-connected three-phase generator with line voltages  $V_{ab}, V_{bc}, V_{ca}$

**Figure 7.37** Delta-connected generators



### EXAMPLE 7.16 Per-Phase Solution of Balanced Wye-Wye Circuit

#### Problem

Compute the power delivered to the load by the three-phase generator in the circuit shown in Figure 7.38.

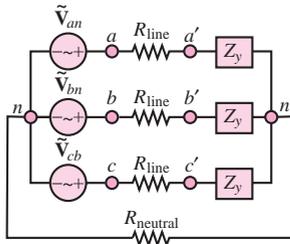


Figure 7.38

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Source voltage; line resistance; load impedance.

**Find:** Power delivered to the load  $P_L$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $\tilde{V}_{an} = 480\angle 0$  V;  
 $\tilde{V}_{bn} = 480\angle(-2\pi/3)$  V;  $\tilde{V}_{cn} = 480\angle(2\pi/3)$  V;  $Z_y = 2 + j4 = 4.47\angle 1.107$   $\Omega$ ;  
 $R_{line} = 2$   $\Omega$ ;  $R_{neutral} = 10$   $\Omega$ .

**Assumptions:** Use rms values for all phasor quantities in the problem.

**Analysis:** Since the circuit is balanced, we can use per-phase analysis, and the current through the neutral line is zero, that is,  $\tilde{V}_{n-n'} = 0$ . The resulting per-phase circuit is shown in Figure 7.39. Using phase  $a$  for the calculations, we look for the quantity

$$P_a = |\tilde{\mathbf{I}}|^2 R_L$$

where

$$|\tilde{\mathbf{I}}| = \left| \frac{\tilde{V}_a}{Z_y + R_{line}} \right| = \left| \frac{480\angle 0}{2 + j4 + 2} \right| = \left| \frac{480\angle 0}{5.66\angle(\pi/4)} \right| = 84.85 \text{ A}$$

and  $P_a = (84.85)^2 \times 2 = 14.4$  kW. Since the circuit is balanced, the results for phases  $b$  and  $c$  are identical, and we have

$$P_L = 3P_a = 43.2 \text{ kW}$$

**Comments:** Note that since the circuit is balanced, there is zero voltage across neutrals. This fact is shown explicitly in Figure 7.39, where  $n$  and  $n'$  are connected to each other directly. Per-phase analysis for balanced circuits turns three-phase power calculations into a very simple exercise.

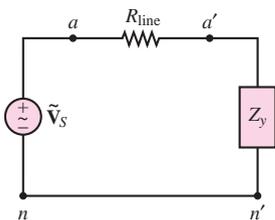


Figure 7.39 One phase of the three-phase circuit

### CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Find the power lost in the line resistance in the circuit of Example 7.16.

Compute the power delivered to the balanced load of Example 7.16 if the lines have zero resistance and  $Z_L = 1 + j3$   $\Omega$ .

Show that the voltage across each branch of the wye load is equal to the corresponding phase voltage (e.g., the voltage across  $Z_a$  is  $\tilde{V}_a$ ).

Prove that the sum of the instantaneous powers absorbed by the three branches in a balanced wye-connected load is constant and equal to  $3\tilde{\mathbf{V}}\tilde{\mathbf{I}}\cos\theta$ .

$$\text{Answers: } P_{line} = 43.2 \text{ kW}; S_L = 69.12 \text{ W} + j207.4 \text{ VA}$$

### Balanced Wye Loads

In the previous section we performed some power computations for a purely resistive balanced wye load. We now generalize those results for an arbitrary balanced complex load. Consider again the circuit of Figure 7.34, where now the balanced load consists of the three complex impedances

$$Z_a = Z_b = Z_c = Z_y = |Z_y|\angle\theta \quad (7.58)$$

From the diagram of Figure 7.34, it can be verified that each impedance sees the corresponding phase voltage across itself; thus, since currents  $\tilde{I}_a$ ,  $\tilde{I}_b$ , and  $\tilde{I}_c$  have the same rms value  $\tilde{I}$ , the phase angles of the currents will differ by  $\pm 120^\circ$ . It is therefore possible to compute the power for each phase by considering the phase voltage (equal to the load voltage) for each impedance, and the associated line current. Let us denote the complex power for each phase by  $S$

$$S = \tilde{V}\tilde{I}^* \quad (7.59)$$

so that

$$\begin{aligned} S &= P + jQ \\ &= \tilde{V}\tilde{I} \cos \theta + j\tilde{V}\tilde{I} \sin \theta \end{aligned} \quad (7.60)$$

where  $\tilde{V}$  and  $\tilde{I}$  denote, once again, the rms values of each phase voltage and line current, respectively. Consequently, the total real power delivered to the balanced wye load is  $3P$ , and the total reactive power is  $3Q$ . Thus, the total complex power  $S_T$  is given by

$$\begin{aligned} S_T &= P_T + jQ_T = 3P + j3Q \\ &= \sqrt{(3P)^2 + (3Q)^2}\angle\theta \end{aligned} \quad (7.61)$$

and the apparent power is

$$\begin{aligned} |S_T| &= 3\sqrt{(VI)^2 \cos^2 \theta + (VI)^2 \sin^2 \theta} \\ &= 3VI \end{aligned}$$

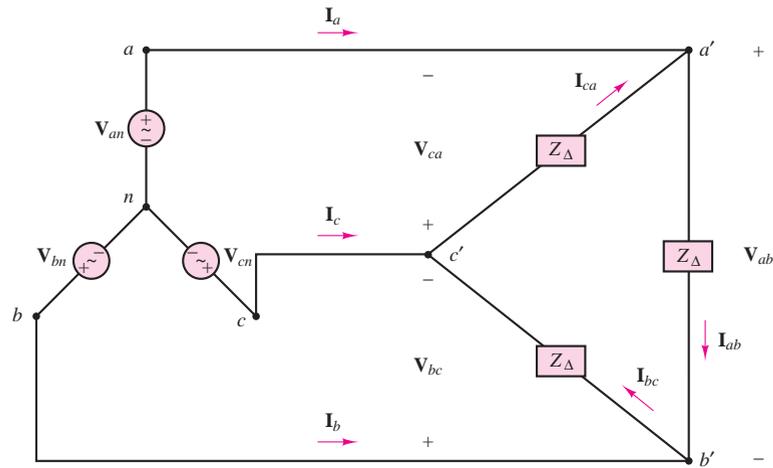
and the total real and reactive power may be expressed in terms of the apparent power:

$$\begin{aligned} P_T &= |S_T| \cos \theta \\ Q_T &= |S_T| \sin \theta \end{aligned} \quad (7.62)$$

### Balanced Delta Loads

In addition to a wye connection, it is possible to connect a balanced load in the delta configuration. A wye-connected generator and a delta-connected load are shown in Figure 7.40.

Note immediately that now the corresponding line voltage (not phase voltage) appears across each impedance. For example, the voltage across  $Z_{c'a'}$  is  $\tilde{V}_{ca}$ . Thus, the three load currents are given by



**Figure 7.40** Balanced wye generators with balanced delta load

$$\begin{aligned}
 \tilde{\mathbf{I}}_{ab} &= \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_{ab}}{Z_{\Delta}} = \frac{\sqrt{3}V \angle (\pi/6)}{|Z_{\Delta}| \angle \theta} \\
 \tilde{\mathbf{I}}_{bc} &= \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_{bc}}{Z_{\Delta}} = \frac{\sqrt{3}V \angle (-\pi/2)}{|Z_{\Delta}| \angle \theta} \\
 \tilde{\mathbf{I}}_{ca} &= \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_{ca}}{Z_{\Delta}} = \frac{\sqrt{3}V \angle (5\pi/6)}{|Z_{\Delta}| \angle \theta}
 \end{aligned} \tag{7.63}$$

To understand the relationship between delta-connected and wye-connected loads, it is reasonable to ask the question, For what value of  $Z_{\Delta}$  would a delta-connected load draw the same amount of current as a wye-connected load with impedance  $Z_y$  for a given source voltage? This is equivalent to asking what value of  $Z_{\Delta}$  would make the line currents the same in both circuits (compare Figure 7.36 with Figure 7.40).

The line current drawn, say, in phase  $a$  by a wye-connected load is

$$(\tilde{\mathbf{I}}_{an})_y = \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_{an}}{Z} = \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{V}}}{|Z_y|} \angle (-\theta) \tag{7.64}$$

while that drawn by the delta-connected load is

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\tilde{\mathbf{I}}_a)_{\Delta} &= \tilde{\mathbf{I}}_{ab} - \tilde{\mathbf{I}}_{ca} \\
 &= \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_{ab}}{Z_{\Delta}} - \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_{ca}}{Z_{\Delta}} \\
 &= \frac{1}{Z_{\Delta}} (\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_{an} - \tilde{\mathbf{V}}_{bn} - \tilde{\mathbf{V}}_{cn} + \tilde{\mathbf{V}}_{an}) \\
 &= \frac{1}{Z_{\Delta}} (2\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_{an} - \tilde{\mathbf{V}}_{bn} - \tilde{\mathbf{V}}_{cn}) \\
 &= \frac{3\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_{an}}{Z_{\Delta}} = \frac{3\tilde{\mathbf{V}}}{|Z_{\Delta}|} \angle (-\theta)
 \end{aligned} \tag{7.65}$$

One can readily verify that the two currents  $(\tilde{\mathbf{I}}_a)_\Delta$  and  $(\tilde{\mathbf{I}}_a)_y$  will be equal if the magnitude of the delta-connected impedance is 3 times larger than  $Z_y$ :

$$Z_\Delta = 3Z_y \quad (7.66)$$

This result also implies that a delta load will necessarily draw 3 times as much current (and therefore absorb 3 times as much power) as a wye load with the same branch impedance.

### EXAMPLE 7.17 Parallel Wye-Delta Load Circuit



#### Problem

Compute the power delivered to the wye-delta load by the three-phase generator in the circuit shown in Figure 7.41.

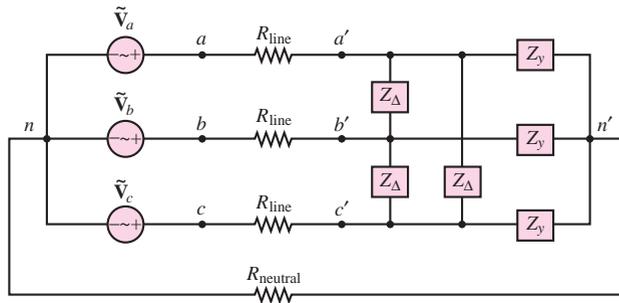


Figure 7.41 AC circuit with delta and wye loads

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Source voltage; line resistance; load impedance.

**Find:** Power delivered to the load  $P_L$ .

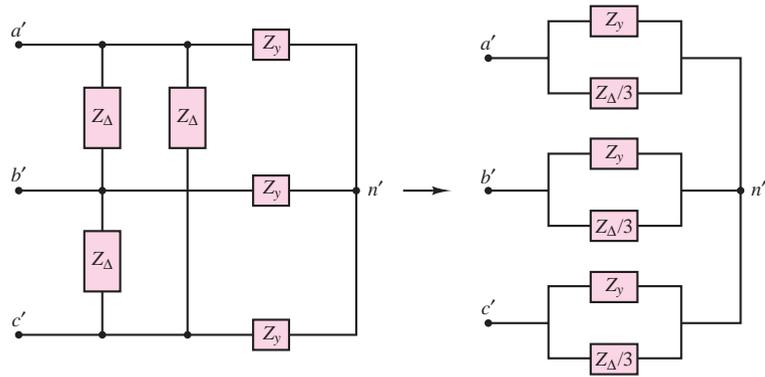
**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_{an} = 480\angle 0^\circ \text{ V}$ ;  
 $\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_{bn} = 480\angle(-2\pi/3) \text{ V}$ ;  $\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_{cn} = 480\angle(2\pi/3) \text{ V}$ ;  $Z_y = 2 + j4 = 4.47\angle 1.107 \text{ } \Omega$ ;  
 $Z_\Delta = 5 - j2 = 5.4\angle(-0.381) \text{ } \Omega$ ;  $R_{\text{line}} = 2 \text{ } \Omega$ ;  $R_{\text{neutral}} = 10 \text{ } \Omega$ .

**Assumptions:** Use rms values for all phasor quantities in the problem.

**Analysis:** We first convert the balanced delta load to an equivalent wye load, according to equation 7.66. Figure 7.42 illustrates the effect of this conversion.

$$Z_{\Delta-y} = \frac{Z_\Delta}{3} = 1.667 - j0.667 = 1.8\angle(-0.381) \text{ } \Omega.$$

Since the circuit is balanced, we can use per-phase analysis, and the current through the neutral line is zero, that is,  $\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_{n-n'} = 0$ . The resulting per-phase circuit is shown in Figure 7.43. Using



**Figure 7.42** Conversion of delta load to equivalent wye load

phase  $a$  for the calculations, we look for the quantity

$$P_a = |\tilde{\mathbf{I}}|^2 R_L$$

where

$$Z_L = Z_Y \parallel Z_{\Delta-y} = \frac{Z_Y \times Z_{\Delta-y}}{Z_Y + Z_{\Delta-y}} = 1.62 - j0.018 = 1.62 \angle (-0.011) \Omega$$

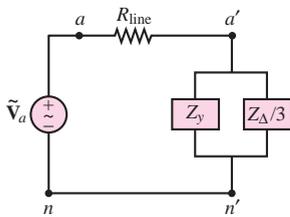
and the load current is given by

$$|\tilde{\mathbf{I}}| = \left| \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_a}{Z_L + R_{\text{line}}} \right| = \left| \frac{480 \angle 0}{1.62 + j0.018 + 2} \right| = 132.6 \text{ A}$$

and  $P_a = (132.6)^2 \times \text{Re}(Z_L) = 28.5 \text{ kW}$ . Since the circuit is balanced, the results for phases  $b$  and  $c$  are identical, and we have

$$P_L = 3P_a = 85.5 \text{ kW}$$

**Comments:** Note that per-phase analysis for balanced circuits turns three-phase power calculations into a very simple exercise.



**Figure 7.43** Per-phase circuit

### CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Derive an expression for the rms line current of a delta load in terms of the rms line current of a wye load with the same branch impedances (that is,  $Z_Y = Z_\Delta$ ) and same source voltage. Assume  $Z_S = 0$ .

The equivalent wye load of Example 7.17 is connected in a delta configuration. Compute the line currents.

Answers:  $I_\Delta = 3I_Y$ ;  $I_\Delta = 189 \angle 0^\circ \text{ A}$ ;  $I_Y = 189 \angle (-120^\circ) \text{ A}$ ;  $I_c = 189 \angle (-120^\circ) \text{ A}$ ;  $I_b = 189 \angle 120^\circ \text{ A}$

## 7.5 RESIDENTIAL WIRING; GROUNDING AND SAFETY

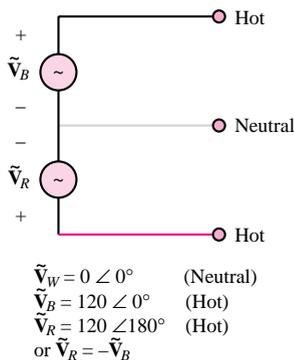
Common residential electric power service consists of a three-wire AC system supplied by the local power company. The three wires originate from a utility pole and consist of a neutral wire, which is connected to earth ground, and two “hot” wires. Each of the hot lines supplies 120 V rms to the residential circuits; the two lines are 180° out of phase, for reasons that will become apparent during the course of this discussion. The phasor line voltages, shown in Figure 7.44, are usually referred to by means of a subscript convention derived from the color of the insulation on the different wires: *W* for white (neutral), *B* for black (hot), and *R* for red (hot). This convention is adhered to uniformly.

The voltages across the hot lines are given by

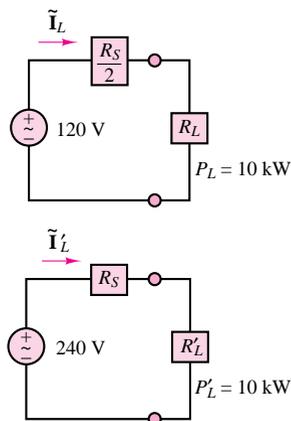
$$\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_B - \tilde{\mathbf{V}}_R = \tilde{\mathbf{V}}_{BR} = \tilde{\mathbf{V}}_B - (-\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_B) = 2\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_B = 240\angle 0^\circ \quad (7.67)$$

Thus, the voltage between the hot wires is actually 240 V rms. Appliances such as electric stoves, air conditioners, and heaters are powered by the 240-V rms arrangement. On the other hand, lighting and all the electric outlets in the house used for small appliances are powered by a single 120-V rms line.

The use of 240-V rms service for appliances that require a substantial amount of power to operate is dictated by power transfer considerations. Consider the two circuits shown in Figure 7.45. In delivering the necessary power to a load, a lower line loss will be incurred with the 240-V rms wiring, since the power loss in the lines (the  $I^2R$  loss, as it is commonly referred to) is directly related to the current required by the load. In an effort to minimize line losses, the size of the wires is increased for the lower-voltage case. This typically reduces the wire resistance by a factor of 2. In the top circuit, assuming  $R_S/2 = 0.01 \Omega$ , the current required by the 10-kW load is approximately 83.3 A, while in the bottom circuit, with  $R_S = 0.02 \Omega$ , it is approximately one-half as much (41.7 A). (You should be able to verify that the



**Figure 7.44** Line voltage convention for residential circuits



**Figure 7.45** Line losses in 120- and 240-VAC circuits



approximate  $I^2R$  losses are 69.4 W in the top circuit and 34.7 W in the bottom circuit.) Limiting the  $I^2R$  losses is important from the viewpoint of efficiency, besides reducing the amount of heat generated in the wiring for safety considerations. Figure 7.46 shows some typical wiring configurations for a home. Note that several circuits are wired and fused separately.

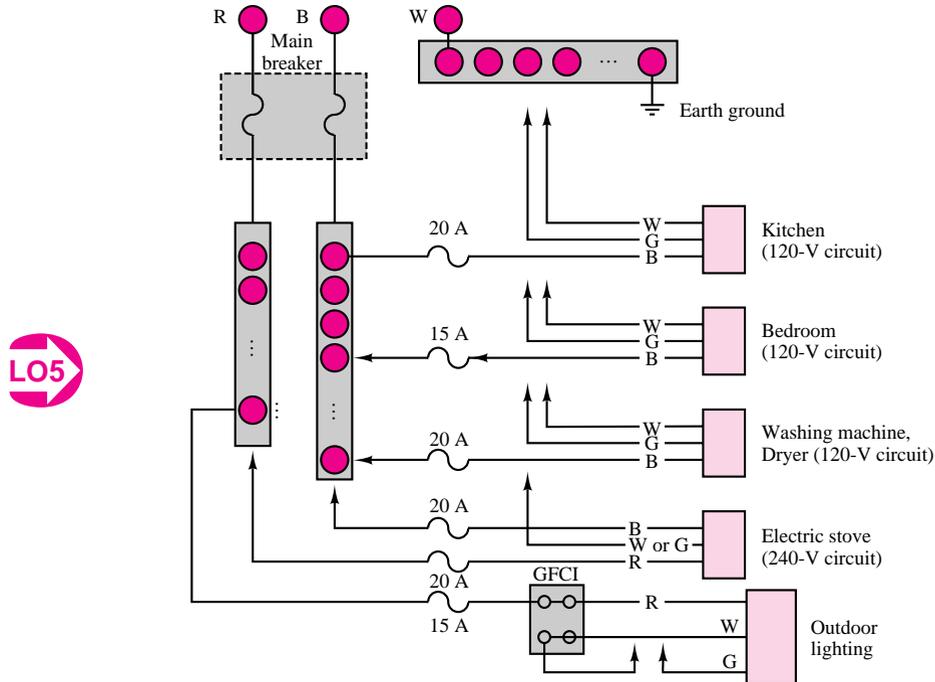


Figure 7.46 A typical residential wiring arrangement

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CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Use the circuit of Figure 7.45 to show that the  $I^2R$  losses will be higher for a 120-V service appliance than a 240-V service appliance if both have the same power usage rating.

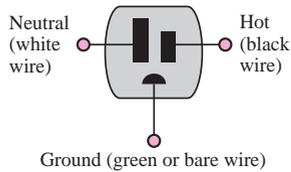


Figure 7.47 A three-wire outlet

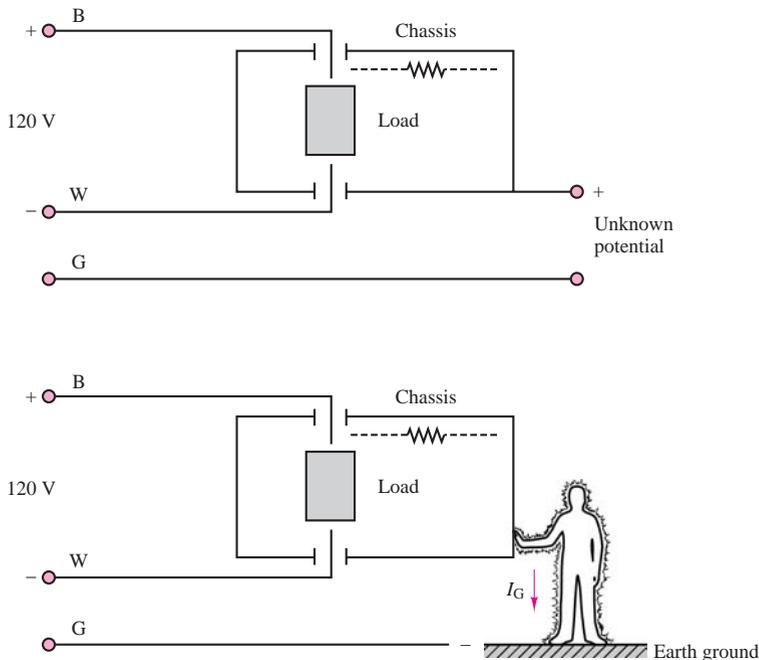
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Answer: The 120-V circuit has double the losses of the 240-V circuit for the same power rating.

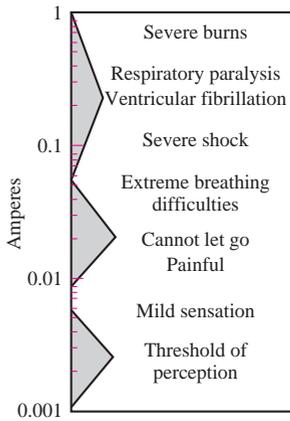
Today, most homes have three-wire connections to their outlets. The outlets appear as sketched in Figure 7.47. Then why are both the ground and neutral connections needed in an outlet? The answer to this question is *safety*: The ground connection is

used to connect the chassis of the appliance to earth ground. Without this provision, the appliance chassis could be at any potential with respect to ground, possibly even at the hot wire's potential if a segment of the hot wire were to lose some insulation and come in contact with the inside of the chassis! Poorly grounded appliances can thus be a significant hazard. Figure 7.48 illustrates schematically how, even though the chassis is intended to be insulated from the electric circuit, an unintended connection (represented by the dashed line) may occur, for example, because of corrosion or a loose mechanical connection. A path to ground might be provided by the body of a person touching the chassis with a hand. In the figure, such an undesired ground loop current is indicated by  $I_G$ . In this case, the ground current  $I_G$  would flow directly through the body to ground and could be harmful.

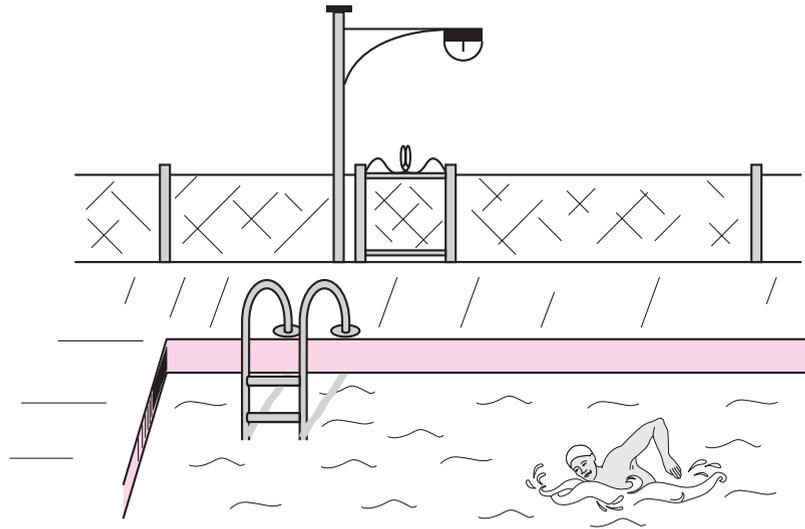
In some cases the danger posed by such undesired ground loops can be great, leading to death by electric shock. Figure 7.49 describes the effects of electric currents on an average male when the point of contact is dry skin. Particularly hazardous conditions are liable to occur whenever the natural resistance to current flow provided by the skin breaks down, as would happen in the presence of water. Thus, the danger presented to humans by unsafe electric circuits is very much dependent on the particular conditions—whenever water or moisture is present, the natural electrical resistance of dry skin, or of dry shoe soles, decreases dramatically, and even relatively low voltages can lead to fatal currents. Proper grounding procedures, such as are required by the National Electrical Code, help prevent fatalities due to electric shock. The **ground fault circuit interrupter**, labeled **GFCI** in Figure 7.46, is a special safety circuit used primarily with outdoor circuits and in bathrooms,



**Figure 7.48** Unintended connection



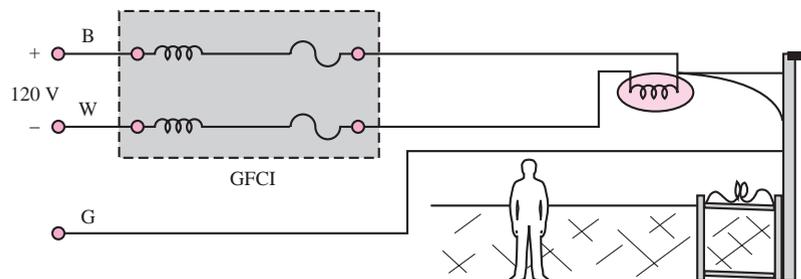
**Figure 7.49** Physiological effects of electric currents



**Figure 7.50** Outdoor pool

where the risk of death by electric shock is greatest. Its application is best described by an example.

Consider the case of an outdoor pool surrounded by a metal fence, which uses an existing light pole for a post, as shown in Figure 7.50. The light pole and the metal fence can be considered as forming a chassis. If the fence were not properly grounded all the way around the pool and if the light fixture were poorly insulated from the pole, a path to ground could easily be created by an unaware swimmer reaching, say, for the metal gate. A GFCI provides protection from potentially lethal ground loops, such as this one, by sensing both the hot-wire (B) and the neutral (W) currents. If the difference between the hot-wire current  $I_B$  and the neutral current  $I_W$  is more than a few milliamperes, then the GFCI disconnects the circuit nearly instantaneously. Any significant difference between the hot and neutral (return-path) currents means that a second path to ground has been created (by the unfortunate swimmer, in this example) and a potentially dangerous condition has arisen. Figure 7.51 illustrates the idea. GFCIs are typically resettable circuit breakers, so that one does not need to replace a fuse every time the GFCI circuit is enabled.



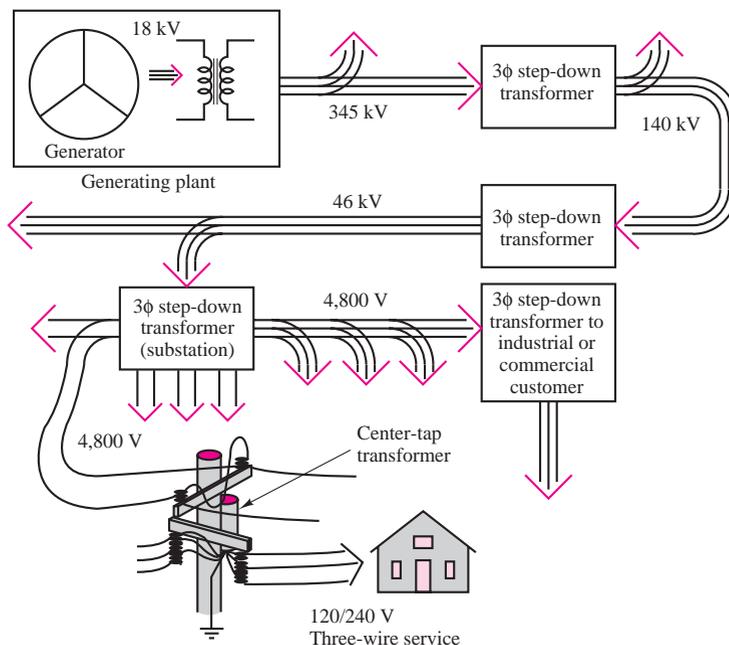
**Figure 7.51** Use of a GFCI in a potentially hazardous setting

## 7.6 GENERATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF AC POWER

We now conclude the discussion of power systems with a brief description of the various elements of a power system. Electric power originates from a variety of sources. In general, electric power may be obtained from hydroelectric, thermoelectric, geothermal, wind, solar, and nuclear sources. The choice of a given source is typically dictated by the power requirement for the given application, and by economic and environmental factors. In this section, the structure of an AC power network, from the power-generating station to the residential circuits discussed in Section 7.5, is briefly outlined.

A typical generator will produce electric power at 18 kV, as shown in the diagram of Figure 7.52. To minimize losses along the conductors, the output of the generators is processed through a step-up transformer to achieve line voltages of hundreds of kilovolts (345 kV, in Figure 7.52). Without this transformation, the majority of the power generated would be lost in the **transmission lines** that carry the electric current from the power station.

The local electric company operates a power-generating plant that is capable of supplying several hundred megavolt-amperes (MVA) on a three-phase basis. For this reason, the power company uses a three-phase step-up transformer at the generation plant to increase the line voltage to around 345 kV. One can immediately see that at the rated power of the generator (in megavolt-amperes) there will be a significant reduction of current beyond the step-up transformer.



**Figure 7.52** Structure of an AC power distribution network

Beyond the generation plant, an electric power network distributes energy to several **substations**. This network is usually referred to as the **power grid**. At the substations, the voltage is stepped down to a lower level (10 to 150 kV, typically). Some very large loads (e.g., an industrial plant) may be served directly from the power grid, although most loads are supplied by individual substations in the power grid. At the local substations (one of which you may have seen in your own neighborhood), the voltage is stepped down further by a three-phase step-down transformer to 4,800 V. These substations distribute the energy to residential and industrial customers. To further reduce the line voltage to levels that are safe for residential use, step-down transformers are mounted on utility poles. These drop the voltage to the 120/240-V three-wire single-phase residential service discussed in Section 7.5. Industrial and commercial customers receive 460- and/or 208-V three-phase service.

## Conclusion

Chapter 7 introduces the essential elements that permit the analysis of AC power systems. AC power is essential to all industrial activities, and to the conveniences we are accustomed to in residential life. Virtually all engineers will be exposed to AC power systems in their careers, and the material presented in this chapter provides all the necessary tools to understand the analysis of AC power circuits. Upon completing this chapter, you should have mastered the following learning objectives:

1. *Understand the meaning of instantaneous and average power, master AC power notation, and compute average power for AC circuits. Compute the power factor of a complex load.* The power dissipated by a load in an AC circuit consists of the sum of an average and a fluctuating component. In practice, the average power is the quantity of interest.
2. *Learn complex power notation; compute apparent, real, and reactive power for complex loads. Draw the power triangle, and compute the capacitor size required to perform power factor correction on a load.* AC power can best be analyzed with the aid of complex notation. Complex power  $S$  is defined as the product of the phasor load voltage and the complex conjugate of the load current. The real part of  $S$  is the real power actually consumed by a load (that for which the user is charged); the imaginary part of  $S$  is called the reactive power and corresponds to energy stored in the circuit—it cannot be directly used for practical purposes. Reactive power is quantified by a quantity called the *power factor*, and it can be minimized through a procedure called *power factor correction*.
3. *Analyze the ideal transformer; compute primary and secondary currents and voltages and turns ratios. Calculate reflected sources and impedances across ideal transformers. Understand maximum power transfer.* Transformers find many applications in electrical engineering. One of the most common is in power transmission and distribution, where the electric power generated at electric power plants is stepped “up” and “down” before and after transmission, to improve the overall efficiency of electric power distribution.
4. *Learn three-phase AC power notation; compute load currents and voltages for balanced wye and delta loads.* AC power is generated and distributed in three-phase form. Residential services are typically single-phase (making use of only one branch of the three-phase lines), while industrial applications are often served directly by three-phase power.
5. *Understand the basic principles of residential electrical wiring, of electrical safety, and of the generation and distribution of AC power.*

## HOMEWORK PROBLEMS

### Section 7.1: Power in AC Circuits

- 7.1** The heating element in a soldering iron has a resistance of  $30\ \Omega$ . Find the average power dissipated in the soldering iron if it is connected to a voltage source of  $117\ \text{V rms}$ .
- 7.2** A coffeemaker has a rated power of  $1,000\ \text{W}$  at  $240\ \text{V rms}$ . Find the resistance of the heating element.
- 7.3** A current source  $i(t)$  is connected to a  $50\text{-}\Omega$  resistor. Find the average power delivered to the resistor, given that  $i(t)$  is
- $5 \cos 50t\ \text{A}$
  - $5 \cos(50t - 45^\circ)\ \text{A}$
  - $5 \cos 50t - 2 \cos(50t - 0.873)\ \text{A}$
  - $5 \cos 50t - 2\ \text{A}$
- 7.4** Find the rms value of each of the following periodic currents:
- $i(t) = \cos 450t + 2 \cos 450t\ \text{A}$
  - $i(t) = \cos 5t + \sin 5t\ \text{A}$
  - $i(t) = \cos 450t + 2\ \text{A}$
  - $i(t) = \cos 5t + \cos(5t + \pi/3)\ \text{A}$
  - $i(t) = \cos 200t + \cos 400t\ \text{A}$
- 7.5** A current of  $4\ \text{A}$  flows when a neon light advertisement is supplied by a  $110\text{-V rms}$  power system. The current lags the voltage by  $60^\circ$ . Find the power dissipated by the circuit and the power factor.
- 7.6** A residential electric power monitoring system rated for  $120\text{-V rms}$ ,  $60\text{-Hz}$  source registers power consumption of  $1.2\ \text{kW}$ , with a power factor of  $0.8$ . Find
- The rms current.
  - The phase angle.
  - The system impedance.
  - The system resistance.
- 7.7** A drilling machine is driven by a single-phase induction machine connected to a  $110\text{-V rms}$  supply. Assume that the machining operation requires  $1\ \text{kW}$ , that the tool machine has  $90$  percent efficiency, and that the supply current is  $14\ \text{A rms}$  with a power factor of  $0.8$ . Find the AC machine efficiency.
- 7.8** Given the waveform of a voltage source shown in Figure P7.8, find:
- The steady DC voltage that would cause the same heating effect across a resistance.

- The average current supplied to a  $10\text{-}\Omega$  resistor connected across the voltage source.
- The average power supplied to a  $1\text{-}\Omega$  resistor connected across the voltage source.

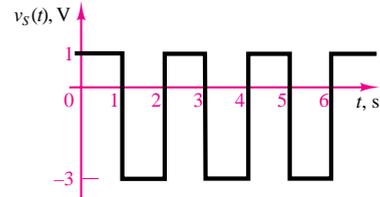


Figure P7.8

- 7.9** A current source  $i(t)$  is connected to a  $100\text{-}\Omega$  resistor. Find the average power delivered to the resistor, given that  $i(t)$  is:
- $4 \cos 100t\ \text{A}$
  - $4 \cos(100t - 50^\circ)\ \text{A}$
  - $4 \cos 100t - 3 \cos(100t - 50^\circ)\ \text{A}$
  - $4 \cos 100t - 3\ \text{A}$
- 7.10** Find the rms value of each of the following periodic currents:
- $i(t) = \cos 377t + \cos 377t\ \text{A}$
  - $i(t) = \cos 2t + \sin 2t\ \text{A}$
  - $i(t) = \cos 377t + 1\ \text{A}$
  - $i(t) = \cos 2t + \cos(2t + 135^\circ)\ \text{A}$
  - $i(t) = \cos 2t + \cos 3t\ \text{A}$

### Section 7.2: Complex Power

- 7.11** A current of  $10\ \text{A rms}$  flows when a single-phase circuit is placed across a  $220\text{-V rms}$  source. The current lags the voltage by  $60^\circ$ . Find the power dissipated by the circuit and the power factor.
- 7.12** A single-phase circuit is placed across a  $120\text{-V rms}$ ,  $60\text{-Hz}$  source, with an ammeter, a voltmeter, and a wattmeter connected. The instruments indicate  $12\ \text{A}$ ,  $120\ \text{V}$ , and  $800\ \text{W}$ , respectively. Find
- The power factor.
  - The phase angle.
  - The impedance.
  - The resistance.
- 7.13** For the following numeric values, determine the average power,  $P$ , the reactive power,  $Q$ , and the

complex power,  $S$ , of the circuit shown in Figure P7.13. Note: phasor quantities are rms.

- $v_S(t) = 650 \cos(377t)$  V  
 $i_L(t) = 20 \cos(377t - 10^\circ)$  A
- $V_S = 460 \angle 0^\circ$  V  
 $I_L = 14.14 \angle -45^\circ$  A
- $V_S = 100 \angle 0^\circ$  V  
 $I_L = 8.6 \angle -86^\circ$  A
- $V_S = 208 \angle -30^\circ$  V  
 $I_L = 2.3 \angle -63^\circ$  A

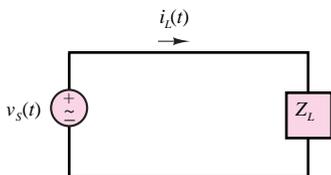


Figure P7.13

**7.14** For the circuit of Figure P7.13, determine the power factor for the load and state whether it is leading or lagging for the following conditions:

- $v_S(t) = 540 \cos(\omega t + 15^\circ)$  V  
 $i_L(t) = 20 \cos(\omega t + 47^\circ)$  A
- $v_S(t) = 155 \cos(\omega t - 15^\circ)$  V  
 $i_L(t) = 20 \cos(\omega t - 22^\circ)$  A
- $v_S(t) = 208 \cos(\omega t)$  V  
 $i_L(t) = 1.7 \sin(\omega t + 175^\circ)$  A
- $Z_L = (48 + j16) \Omega$

**7.15** For the circuit of Figure P7.13, determine whether the load is capacitive or inductive for the circuit shown if

- pf = 0.87 (leading)
- pf = 0.42 (leading)
- $v_S(t) = 42 \cos(\omega t)$  V  
 $i_L(t) = 4.2 \sin(\omega t)$  A
- $v_S(t) = 10.4 \cos(\omega t - 12^\circ)$  V  
 $i_L(t) = 0.4 \cos(\omega t - 12^\circ)$  A

**7.16** The circuit shown in Figure P7.16 is to be used on two different sources, each with the same amplitude but at different frequencies.

- Find the instantaneous real and reactive power if  $v_S(t) = 120 \cos 377t$  V (i.e., the frequency is 60 Hz).
- Find the instantaneous real and reactive power if  $v_S(t) = 650 \cos 314t$  V (i.e., the frequency is 50 Hz).

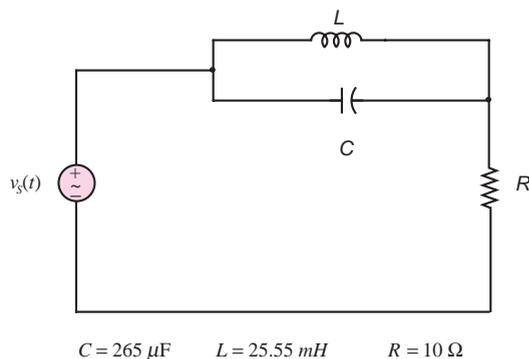


Figure P7.16

**7.17** A load impedance,  $Z_L = 10 + j3 \Omega$ , is connected to a source with line resistance equal to  $1 \Omega$ , as shown in Figure P7.17. Calculate the following values:

- The average power delivered to the load.
- The average power absorbed by the line.
- The apparent power supplied by the generator.
- The power factor of the load.
- The power factor of line plus load.

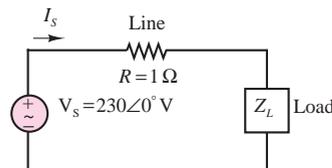


Figure P7.17

**7.18** A single-phase motor draws 220 W at a power factor of 80 percent (lagging) when connected across a 200-V, 60-Hz source. A capacitor is connected in parallel with the load to give a unity power factor, as shown in Figure P7.18. Find the required capacitance.

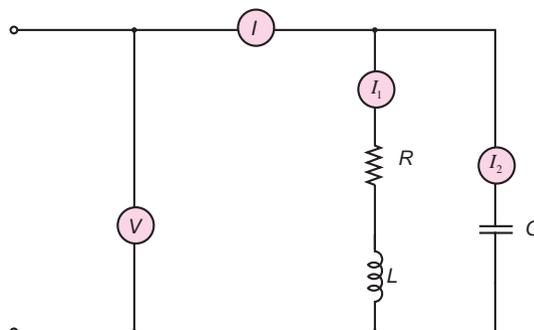
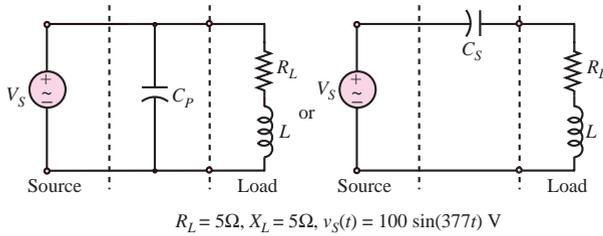


Figure P7.18

**7.19** If the circuits shown in Figure P7.19 are to be at unity power factor, find  $C_P$  and  $C_S$ .

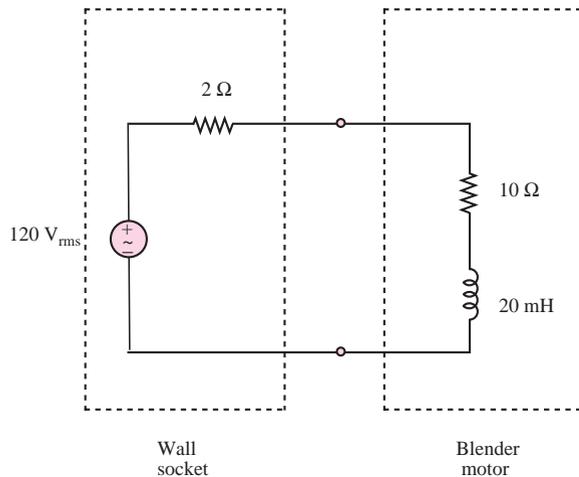


**Figure P7.19**

**7.20** A 1,000-W electric motor is connected to a source of 120 V<sub>rms</sub>, 60 Hz, and the result is a lagging pf of 0.8. To correct the pf to 0.95 lagging, a capacitor is placed in parallel with the motor. Calculate the current drawn from the source with and without the capacitor connected. Determine the value of the capacitor required to make the correction.

**7.21** The motor inside a blender can be modeled as a resistance in series with an inductance, as shown in Figure P7.21.

- What is the average power,  $P_{AV}$ , dissipated in the load?
- What is the motor's power factor?
- What value of capacitor when placed in parallel with the motor will change the power factor to 0.9 (lagging)?

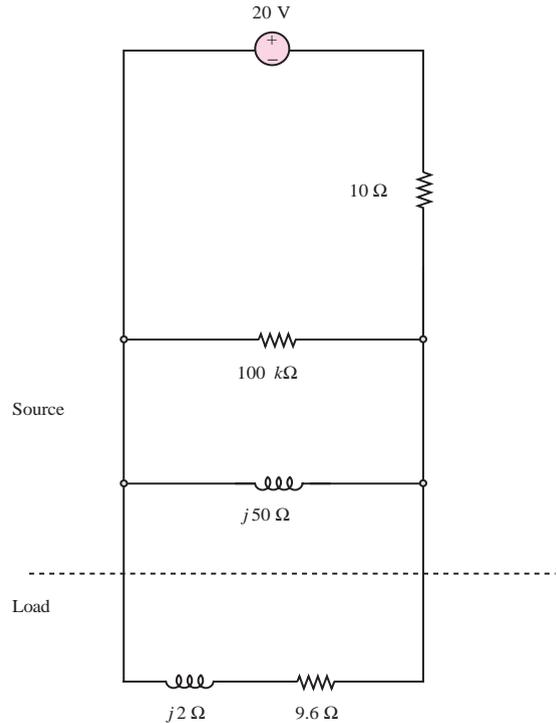


**Figure P7.21**

**7.22** For the circuit shown in Figure P7.22,

- Find the Thévenin equivalent circuit for the source.
- Find the power dissipated by the load resistor.

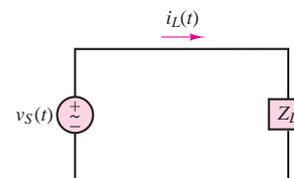
- What value of load impedance would permit maximum power transfer?  
The voltage source is sinusoidal with frequency 60 Hz, and its polarity is such that the current from the voltage source flows into the 10-Ω resistor.



**Figure P7.22**

**7.23** For the following numerical values, determine the average power  $P$ , the reactive power  $Q$ , and the complex power  $S$  of the circuit shown in Figure P7.23. Note: phasor quantities are rms.

- $v_S(t) = 450 \cos(377t)$  V  
 $i_L(t) = 50 \cos(377t - 0.349)$  A
- $\tilde{V}_S = 140 \angle 0$  V  
 $\tilde{I}_L = 5.85 \angle (-\pi/6)$  A
- $\tilde{V}_S = 50 \angle 0$  V  
 $\tilde{I}_L = 19.2 \angle 0.8$  A
- $\tilde{V}_S = 740 \angle (-\pi/4)$  V  
 $\tilde{I}_L = 10.8 \angle (-1.5)$  A



**Figure P7.23**

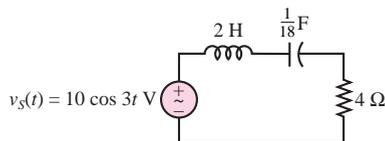
**7.24** For the circuit of Figure P7.23, determine the power factor for the load and state whether it is leading or lagging for the following conditions:

- $v_S(t) = 780 \cos(\omega t + 1.2)$  V  
 $i_L(t) = 90 \cos(\omega t + \pi/2)$  A
- $v_S(t) = 39 \cos(\omega t + \pi/6)$  V  
 $i_L(t) = 12 \cos(\omega t - 0.185)$  A
- $v_S(t) = 104 \cos(\omega t)$  V  
 $i_L(t) = 48.7 \sin(\omega t + 2.74)$  A
- $Z_L = (12 + j8) \Omega$

**7.25** For the circuit of Figure P7.23, determine whether the load is capacitive or inductive for the circuit shown if

- pf = 0.48 (leading)
- pf = 0.17 (leading)
- $v_S(t) = 18 \cos(\omega t)$  V  
 $i_L(t) = 1.8 \sin(\omega t)$  A
- $v_S(t) = 8.3 \cos(\omega t - \pi/6)$  V  
 $i_L(t) = 0.6 \cos(\omega t - \pi/6)$  A

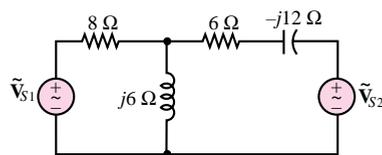
**7.26** Find the real and reactive power supplied by the source in the circuit shown in Figure P7.26. Repeat if the frequency is increased by a factor of 3.



**Figure P7.26**

**7.27** In the circuit shown in Figure P7.27, the sources are  $\tilde{V}_{S1} = 36 \angle (-\pi/3)$  V and  $\tilde{V}_{S2} = 24 \angle 0.644$  V. Find

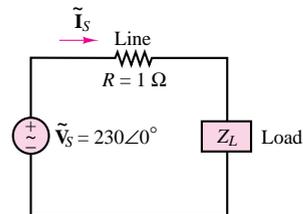
- The real and imaginary current supplied by each source.
- The total real power supplied.



**Figure P7.27**

**7.28** The load  $Z_L$  in the circuit of Figure P7.28 consists of a 25- $\Omega$  resistor in series with a 0.1-mF capacitor. Assuming  $f = 60$  Hz, find

- The source power factor.
- The current  $\tilde{I}_S$ .
- The apparent power delivered to the load.
- The apparent power supplied by the source.
- The power factor of the load.



**Figure P7.28**

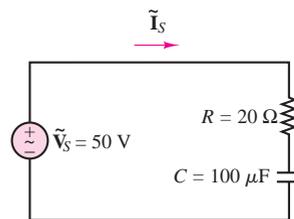
**7.29** The load  $Z_L$  in the circuit of Figure P7.28 consists of a 25- $\Omega$  resistor in series with a 0.1-H inductor. Assuming  $f = 60$  Hz, calculate the following.

- The apparent power supplied by the source.
- The apparent power delivered to the load.
- The power factor of the load.

**7.30** The load  $Z_L$  in the circuit of Figure P7.28 consists of a 25- $\Omega$  resistor in series with a 0.1-mF capacitor and a 70.35-mH inductor. Assuming  $f = 60$  Hz, calculate the following.

- The apparent power delivered to the load.
- The real power supplied by the source.
- The power factor of the load.

**7.31** Calculate the apparent power, real power, and reactive power for the circuit shown in Figure P7.31. Draw the power triangle. Assume  $f = 60$  Hz.



**Figure P7.31**

**7.32** Repeat Problem 7.31 for the two cases  $f = 50$  Hz and  $f = 0$  Hz (DC).

**7.33** A single-phase motor is connected as shown in Figure P7.33 to a 50-Hz network. The capacitor value is chosen to obtain unity power factor. If  $V = 220$  V,  $I = 20$  A, and  $I_1 = 25$  A, find the capacitor value.

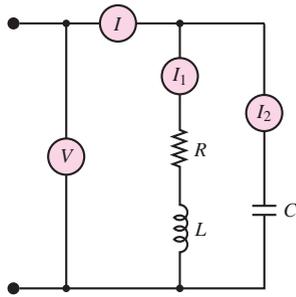


Figure P7.33

**7.34** Suppose that the electricity in your home has gone out and the power company will not be able to have you hooked up again for several days. The freezer in the basement contains several hundred dollars' worth of food that you cannot afford to let spoil. You have also been experiencing very hot, humid weather and would like to keep one room air-conditioned with a window air conditioner, as well as run the refrigerator in your kitchen. When the appliances are on, they draw the following currents (all values are rms):

Air conditioner:	9.6 A @ 120 V
	pf = 0.90 (lagging)
Freezer:	4.2 A @ 120 V
	pf = 0.87 (lagging)
Refrigerator:	3.5 A @ 120 V
	pf = 0.80 (lagging)

In the worst-case scenario, how much power must an emergency generator supply?

**7.35** The French TGV high-speed train absorbs 11 MW at 300 km/h (186 mi/h). The power supply module is shown in Figure P7.35. The module consists of two 25-kV single-phase power stations connected at the same overhead line, one at each end of the module. For the return circuits, the rail is used. However, the train is designed to operate at a low speed also with 1.5-kV DC in railway stations or under the old electrification lines. The natural (average) power factor in the AC operation is 0.8 (not depending on the voltage). Assuming that the overhead line equivalent specific resistance is  $0.2 \Omega/\text{km}$  and that the rail resistance could be neglected, find

- The equivalent circuit.
- The locomotive's current in the condition of a 10 percent voltage drop.
- The reactive power.
- The supplied real power, overhead line losses, and maximum distance between two power stations supplied in the condition of a 10 percent voltage

drop when the train is located at the half-distance between the stations.

- Overhead line losses in the condition of a 10 percent voltage drop when the train is located at the half-distance between the stations, assuming  $\text{pf} = 1$ . (The French TGV is designed with a state-of-the-art power compensation system.)
- The maximum distance between the two power stations supplied in the condition of a 10 percent voltage drop when the train is located at the half-distance between the stations, assuming the DC (1.5-kV) operation at one-quarter power.

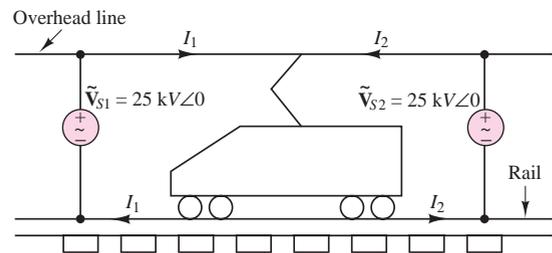


Figure P7.35

**7.36** An industrial assembly hall is continuously lighted by one hundred 40-W mercury vapor lamps supplied by a 120-V and 60-Hz source with a power factor of 0.65. Due to the low power factor, a 25 percent penalty is applied at billing. If the average price of 1 kWh is \$0.01 and the capacitor's average price is \$50 per millifarad, compute after how many days of operation the penalty billing covers the price of the power factor correction capacitor. (To avoid penalty, the power factor must be greater than 0.85.)

**7.37** With reference to Problem 7.36, consider that the current in the cable network is decreasing when power factor correction is applied. Find

- The capacitor value for the unity power factor.
- The maximum number of additional lamps that can be installed without changing the cable network if a local compensation capacitor is used.

**7.38** If the voltage and current given below are supplied by a source to a circuit or load, determine

- The power supplied by the source which is dissipated as heat or work in the circuit (load).
- The power stored in reactive components in the circuit (load).
- The power factor angle and the power factor.

$$\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_s = 7\angle 0.873 \text{ V} \quad \tilde{\mathbf{I}}_s = 13\angle(-0.349) \text{ A}$$

**7.39** Determine the time-averaged total power, the real power dissipated, and the reactive power stored in each of the impedances in the circuit shown in Figure P7.39 if

$$\tilde{V}_{S1} = 170/\sqrt{2}\angle 0^\circ \text{ V}$$

$$\tilde{V}_{S2} = 170/\sqrt{2}\angle \frac{\pi}{2} \text{ V}$$

$$\omega = 377 \text{ rad/s}$$

$$Z_1 = 0.7\angle \frac{\pi}{6} \Omega$$

$$Z_2 = 1.5\angle 0.105 \Omega$$

$$Z_3 = 0.3 + j0.4 \Omega$$

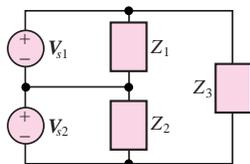


Figure P7.39

**7.40** If the voltage and current supplied to a circuit or load by a source are

$$\tilde{V}_S = 170\angle(-0.157) \text{ V} \quad \tilde{I}_S = 13\angle 0.28 \text{ A}$$

determine

- The power supplied by the source which is dissipated as heat or work in the circuit (load).
- The power stored in reactive components in the circuit (load).
- The power factor angle and power factor.

### Section 7.3: Transformers

**7.41** A center-tapped transformer has the schematic representation shown in Figure P7.41. The primary-side voltage is stepped down to two secondary-side voltages. Assume that each secondary supplies a 5-kW resistive load and that the primary is connected to 120 V rms. Find

- The primary power.
- The primary current.

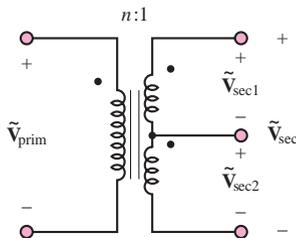


Figure P7.41

**7.42** A center-tapped transformer has the schematic representation shown in Figure P7.41. The primary-side voltage is stepped down to a secondary-side voltage  $\tilde{V}_{\text{sec}}$  by a ratio of  $n:1$ . On the secondary side,  $\tilde{V}_{\text{sec1}} = \tilde{V}_{\text{sec2}} = \frac{1}{2}\tilde{V}_{\text{sec}}$ .

- If  $\tilde{V}_{\text{prim}} = 220\angle 0^\circ \text{ V}$  and  $n = 11$ , find  $\tilde{V}_{\text{sec}}$ ,  $\tilde{V}_{\text{sec1}}$ , and  $\tilde{V}_{\text{sec2}}$ .
- What must  $n$  be if  $\tilde{V}_{\text{prim}} = 110\angle 0^\circ \text{ V}$  and we desire  $|\tilde{V}_{\text{sec2}}|$  to be 5 V rms?

**7.43** For the circuit shown in Figure P7.43, assume that  $v_g = 120 \text{ V rms}$ . Find

- The total resistance seen by the voltage source.
- The primary current.
- The primary power.

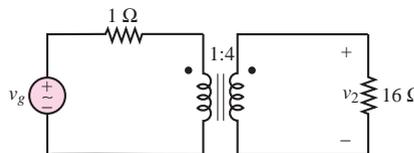


Figure P7.43

**7.44** With reference to Problem 7.43 and Figure P7.43 find

- The secondary current.
- The installation efficiency  $P_{\text{load}}/P_{\text{source}}$ .
- The value of the load resistance which can absorb the maximum power from the given source.

**7.45** An ideal transformer is rated to deliver 460 kVA at 380 V to a customer, as shown in Figure P7.45.

- How much current can the transformer supply to the customer?
- If the customer's load is purely resistive (i.e., if  $\text{pf} = 1$ ), what is the maximum power that the customer can receive?
- If the customer's power factor is 0.8 (lagging), what is the maximum usable power the customer can receive?
- What is the maximum power if the  $\text{pf}$  is 0.7 (lagging)?
- If the customer requires 300 kW to operate, what is the minimum power factor with the given size transformer?

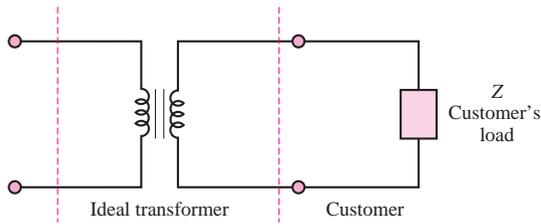


Figure P7.45

- 7.46** For the ideal transformer shown in Figure P7.46, consider that  $v_s(t) = 294 \cos(377t)$  V. Find
- Primary current.
  - $v_o(t)$ .
  - Secondary power.
  - The installation efficiency  $P_{\text{load}}/P_{\text{source}}$ .

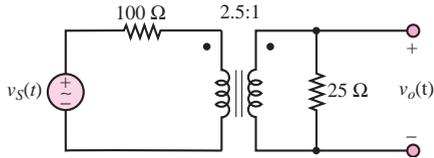


Figure P7.46

- 7.47** If the transformer shown in Figure P7.47 is ideal, find the turns ratio  $N = 1/n$  that will provide maximum power transfer to the load.

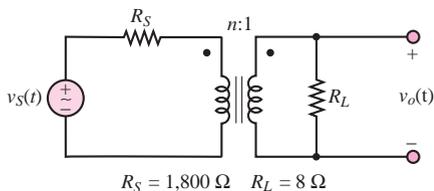


Figure P7.47

- 7.48** Assume the 8- $\Omega$  resistor is the load in the circuit shown in Figure P7.48. Assume  $v_g = 110$  V rms and a variable turns ratio of  $1:n$ . Find
- The maximum power dissipated by the load.
  - The maximum power absorbed from the source.
  - The power transfer efficiency.

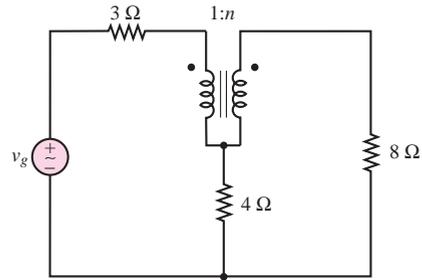


Figure P7.48

- 7.49** If we knew that the transformer shown in Figure P7.49 were to deliver 50 A at 110 V rms with a certain resistive load, what would the power transfer efficiency between source and load be?

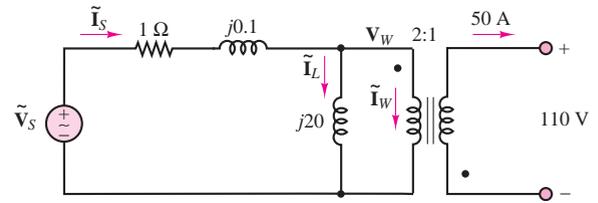


Figure P7.49

- 7.50** A method for determining the equivalent circuit of a transformer consists of two tests: the open-circuit test and the short-circuit test. The open-circuit test, shown in Figure P7.50(a), is usually done by applying rated voltage to the primary side of the transformer while leaving the secondary side open. The current into the primary side is measured, as is the power dissipated.

The short-circuit test, shown in Figure P7.50(b), is performed by increasing the primary voltage until rated current is going into the transformer while the secondary side is short-circuited. The current into the transformer, the applied voltage, and the power dissipated are measured.

The equivalent circuit of a transformer is shown in Figure P7.50(c), where  $r_w$  and  $L_w$  represent the winding resistance and inductance, respectively, and  $r_c$  and  $L_c$  represent the resistance and the inductance of the core. The ideal transformer is also included in the model.

With the open-circuit test, we may assume that  $\tilde{\mathbf{I}}_p = \tilde{\mathbf{I}}_s = 0$ . Then all the current that is measured is directed through the parallel combination of  $r_c$  and  $L_c$ . We also assume that  $|r_c|j\omega L_c|$  is much greater than  $r_w + j\omega L_w$ . Using these assumptions and the open-circuit test data, we can find the resistance  $r_c$  and the inductance  $L_c$ .

In the short-circuit test, we assume that  $\tilde{V}_{\text{secondary}}$  is zero, so that the voltage on the primary side of the ideal transformer is also zero, causing no current flow through the  $r_c - L_c$  parallel combination. Using this assumption with the short-circuit test data, we are able to find the resistance  $r_w$  and inductance  $L_w$ .

Using the following test data, find the equivalent circuit of the transformer:

Open-circuit test:  $\tilde{V} = 241 \text{ V}$   
 $\tilde{I} = 0.95 \text{ A}$   
 $P = 32 \text{ W}$

Short-circuit test:  $\tilde{V} = 5 \text{ V}$   
 $\tilde{I} = 5.25 \text{ A}$   
 $P = 26 \text{ W}$

Both tests were made at  $\omega = 377 \text{ rad/s}$ .

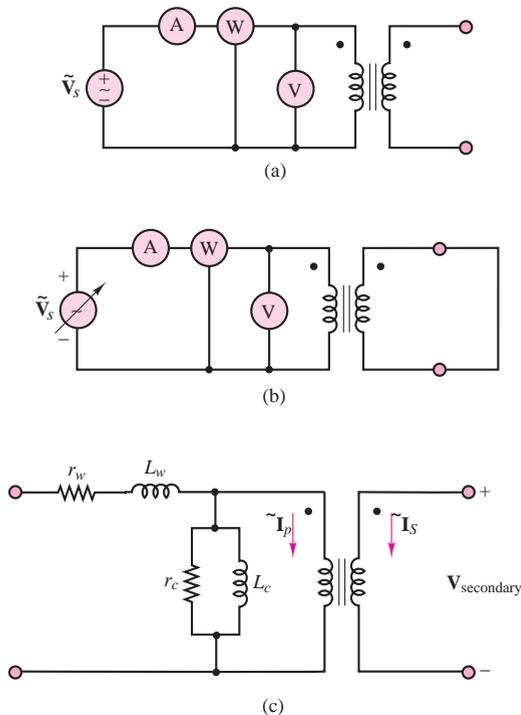


Figure P7.50

**7.51** Using the methods of Problem 7.50 and the following data, find the equivalent circuit of the transformer tested:

Open-circuit test:  $\tilde{V}_p = 4,600 \text{ V}$   
 $\tilde{I}_{\text{OC}} = 0.7 \text{ A}$   
 $P = 200 \text{ W}$

Short-circuit test:  $P = 50 \text{ W}$   
 $\tilde{V}_p = 5.2 \text{ V}$

The transformer is a 460-kVA transformer, and the tests are performed at 60 Hz.

**7.52** A method of thermal treatment for a steel pipe is to heat the pipe by the Joule effect, flowing a current directly in the pipe. In most cases, a low-voltage high-current transformer is used to deliver the current through the pipe. In this problem, we consider a single-phase transformer at 220 V rms, which delivers 1 V. Due to the pipe's resistance variation with temperature, a secondary voltage regulation is needed in the range of 10 percent, as shown in Figure P7.52. The voltage regulation is obtained with five different slots in the primary winding (high-voltage regulation). Assuming that the secondary coil has two turns, find the number of turns for each slot.

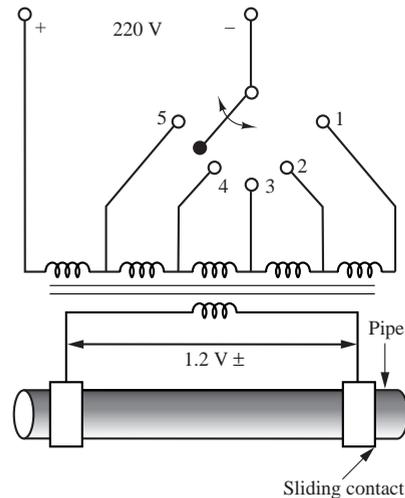


Figure P7.52

**7.53** With reference to Problem 7.52, assume that the pipe's resistance is  $0.0002 \Omega$ , the secondary resistance (connections + slide contacts) is  $0.00005 \Omega$ , and the primary current is 28.8 A with  $\text{pf} = 0.91$ . Find

- The plot number.
- The secondary reactance.
- The power transfer efficiency.

**7.54** A single-phase transformer used for street lighting (high-pressure sodium discharge lamps) converts 6 kV to 230 V (to load) with an efficiency of 0.95. Assuming  $\text{pf} = 0.8$  and the primary apparent power is 30 kVA, find

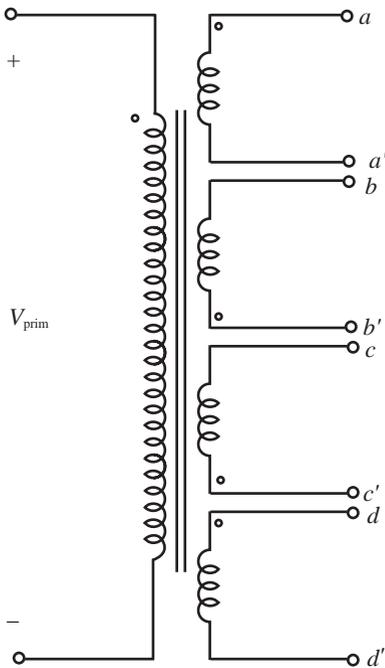
- The secondary current.
- The transformer's ratio.

**7.55** The transformer shown in Figure P7.55 has several sets of windings on the secondary side. The windings have the following turns ratios:

- a. :  $N = 1/15$
- b. :  $N = 1/4$
- c. :  $N = 1/12$
- d. :  $N = 1/18$

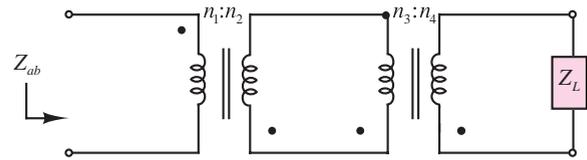
If  $V_{\text{prim}} = 120 \text{ V}$ , find and draw the connections that will allow you to construct the following voltage sources:

- a.  $24.67 \angle 0^\circ \text{ V}$
- b.  $36.67 \angle 0^\circ \text{ V}$
- c.  $18 \angle 0^\circ \text{ V}$
- d.  $54.67 \angle 180^\circ \text{ V}$



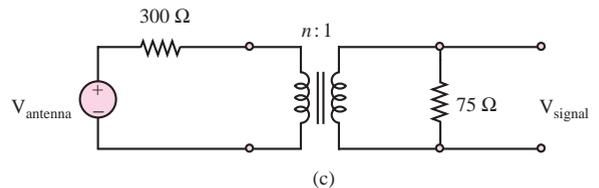
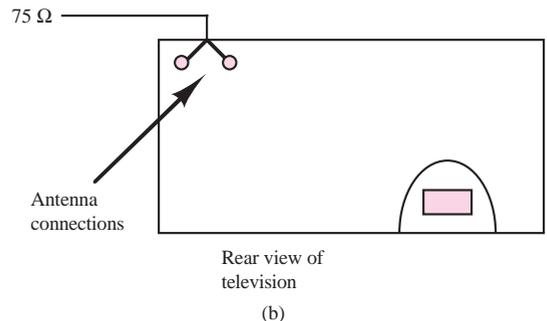
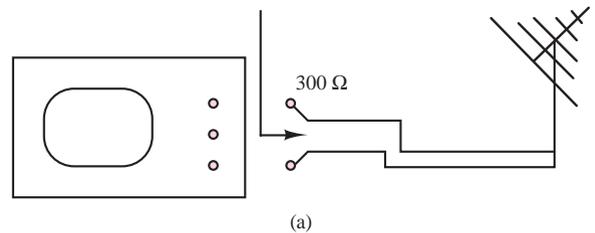
**Figure P7.55**

**7.56** The circuit in Figure P7.56 shows the use of ideal transformers for impedance matching. You have a limited choice of turns ratios among available transformers. Suppose you can find transformers with turns ratios of 2:1, 7:2, 120:1, 3:2, and 6:1. If  $Z_L$  is  $475 \angle -25^\circ \Omega$  and  $Z_{ab}$  must be  $267 \angle -25^\circ$ , find the combination of transformers that will provide this impedance. (You may assume that polarities are easily reversed on these transformers.)



**Figure P7.56**

**7.57** The wire that connects an antenna on your roof to the TV set in your den is a  $300\text{-}\Omega$  wire, as shown in Figure P7.57(a). This means that the impedance seen by the connections on your set is  $300 \Omega$ . Your TV, however, has a  $75\text{-}\Omega$  impedance connection, as shown in Figure P7.57(b). To achieve maximum power transfer from the antenna to the television set, you place an ideal transformer between the antenna and the TV as shown in Figure P7.57(c). What is the turns ratio,  $N = 1/n$ , needed to obtain maximum power transfer?



**Figure P7.57**

**Section 7.4: Three-Phase Power**

**7.58** The magnitude of the phase voltage of a balanced three-phase wye system is  $220 \text{ V rms}$ . Express each phase and line voltage in both polar and rectangular coordinates.

**7.59** The phase currents in a four-wire wye-connected load are as follows:

$$\tilde{\mathbf{I}}_{an} = 10\angle 0\text{ A}, \quad \tilde{\mathbf{I}}_{bn} = 12\angle \frac{5\pi}{6}\text{ A}, \quad \tilde{\mathbf{I}}_{cn} = 8\angle 2.88\text{ A}$$

Determine the current in the neutral wire.

**7.60** For the circuit shown in Figure P7.60, we see that each voltage source has a phase difference of  $2\pi/3$  in relation to the others.

- Find  $\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_{RW}$ ,  $\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_{WB}$ , and  $\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_{BR}$ , where  
 $\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_{RW} = \tilde{\mathbf{V}}_R - \tilde{\mathbf{V}}_W$ ,  $\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_{WB} = \tilde{\mathbf{V}}_W - \tilde{\mathbf{V}}_B$ ,  
and  $\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_{BR} = \tilde{\mathbf{V}}_B - \tilde{\mathbf{V}}_R$ .
- Repeat part a, using the calculations

$$\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_{RW} = \tilde{\mathbf{V}}_R \sqrt{3} \angle (-\pi/6)$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_{WB} = \tilde{\mathbf{V}}_W \sqrt{3} \angle (-\pi/6)$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_{BR} = \tilde{\mathbf{V}}_B \sqrt{3} \angle (-\pi/6)$$

- Compare the results of part a with the results of part b.

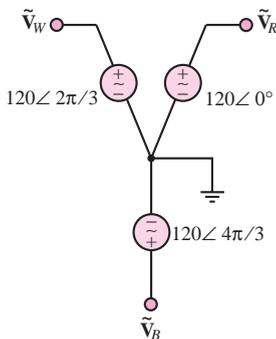


Figure P7.60

**7.61** For the three-phase circuit shown in Figure P7.61, find the current in the neutral wire and the real power.

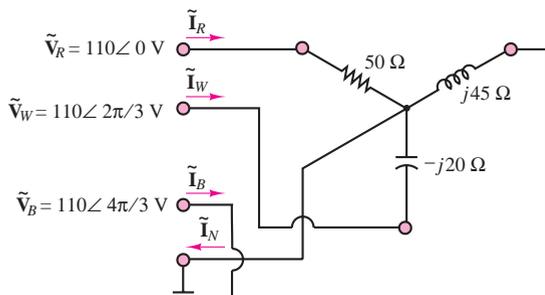


Figure P7.61

**7.62** For the circuit shown in Figure P7.62, find the current in the neutral wire and the real power.

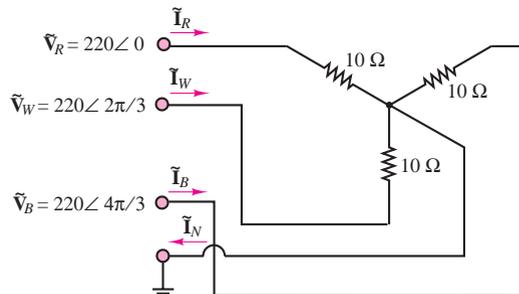


Figure P7.62

**7.63** A three-phase steel-treatment electric oven has a phase resistance of  $10\ \Omega$  and is connected at three-phase 380-V AC. Compute

- The current flowing through the resistors in wye and delta connections.
- The power of the oven in wye and delta connections.

**7.64** A naval in-board synchronous generator has an apparent power of 50 kVA and supplies a three-phase network of 380 V. Compute the phase currents, the active powers, and the reactive powers if

- The power factor is 0.85.
- The power factor is 1.

**7.65** In the circuit of Figure P7.65:

$$v_{s1} = 170 \cos(\omega t) \quad \text{V}$$

$$v_{s2} = 170 \cos(\omega t + 2\pi/3) \quad \text{V}$$

$$v_{s3} = 170 \cos(\omega t - 2\pi/3) \quad \text{V}$$

$$f = 60 \text{ Hz} \quad Z_1 = 0.5\angle 20^\circ \ \Omega$$

$$Z_2 = 0.35\angle 0^\circ \ \Omega \quad Z_3 = 1.7\angle (-90^\circ) \ \Omega$$

Determine the current through  $Z_1$ , using

- Loop/mesh analysis.
- Node analysis.
- Superposition.

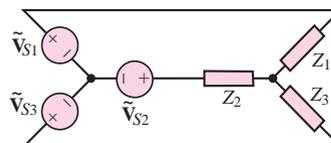


Figure P7.65

**7.66** Determine the current through  $R$  in the circuit of Figure P7.66:

$$\begin{aligned} v_1 &= 170 \cos(\omega t) & \text{V} \\ v_2 &= 170 \cos(\omega t - 2\pi/3) & \text{V} \\ v_3 &= 170 \cos(\omega t + 2\pi/3) & \text{V} \\ f &= 400 \text{ Hz} & R = 100 \ \Omega \\ C &= 0.47 \ \mu\text{F} & L = 100 \text{ mH} \end{aligned}$$

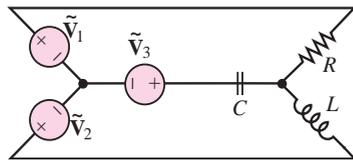


Figure P7.66

**7.67** The three sources in the circuit of Figure P7.67 are connected in wye configuration and the loads in a delta configuration. Determine the current through each impedance.

$$\begin{aligned} v_{s1} &= 170 \cos(\omega t) & \text{V} \\ v_{s2} &= 170 \cos(\omega t + 2\pi/3) & \text{V} \\ v_{s3} &= 170 \cos(\omega t - 2\pi/3) & \text{V} \\ f &= 60 \text{ Hz} & Z_1 = 3 \angle 0 \ \Omega \\ Z_2 &= 7 \angle \pi/2 \ \Omega & Z_3 = 0 - j11 \ \Omega \end{aligned}$$

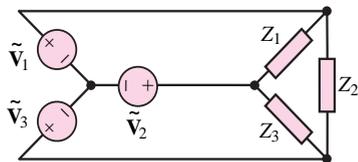
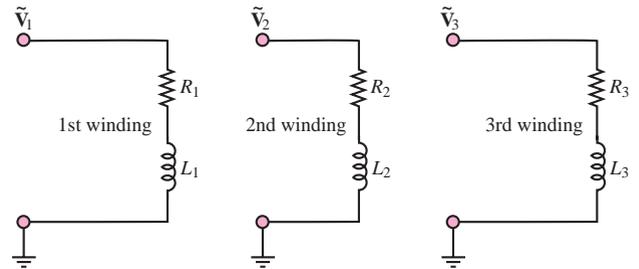
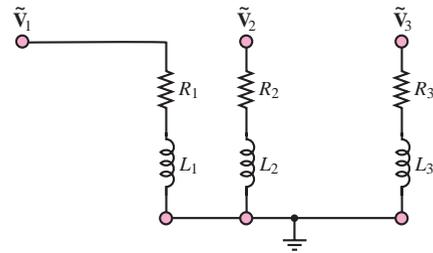


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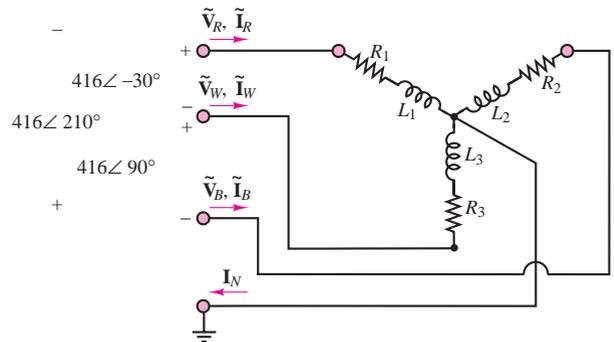
**7.68** If we model each winding of a three-phase motor like the circuit shown in Figure P7.68(a) and connect the windings as shown in Figure P7.68(b), we have the three-phase circuit shown in Figure P7.68(c). The motor can be constructed so that  $R_1 = R_2 = R_3$  and  $L_1 = L_2 = L_3$ , as is the usual case. If we connect the motor as shown in Figure P7.68(c), find the currents  $\tilde{I}_R, \tilde{I}_W, \tilde{I}_B,$  and  $\tilde{I}_N$ , assuming that the resistances are  $40 \ \Omega$  each and each inductance is  $5 \text{ mH}$ . The frequency of each of the sources is  $60 \text{ Hz}$ .



(a)



(b)



(c)

Figure P7.68

**7.69** With reference to the motor of Problem 7.68,

- How much power (in watts) is delivered to the motor?
- What is the motor's power factor?
- Why is it common in industrial practice *not* to connect the ground lead to motors of this type?

**7.70** In general, a three-phase induction motor is designed for wye connection operation. However, for short-time operation, a delta connection can be used at the nominal wye voltage. Find the ratio between the power delivered to the same motor in the wye and delta connections.

**7.71** A residential four-wire system supplies power at 220 V rms to the following single-phase appliances: On the first phase, there are ten 75-W bulbs. On the second phase, there is a 750-W vacuum cleaner with a power factor of 0.87. On the third phase, there are ten 40-W fluorescent lamps with power factor of 0.64. Find

- The current in the neutral wire.
- The real, reactive, and apparent power for each phase.

**7.72** The electric power company is concerned with the loading of its transformers. Since it is responsible for a large number of customers, it must be certain that it can supply the demands of *all* customers. The power company's transformers will deliver rated kVA to the secondary load. However, if the demand increased to a point where greater than rated current were required, the secondary voltage would have to drop below rated value. Also, the current would increase, and with it the  $I^2R$  losses (due to winding resistance), possibly causing the transformer to overheat. Unreasonable current demand could be caused, for example, by excessively low power factors at the load.

The customer, on the other hand, is not greatly concerned with an inefficient power factor, provided that sufficient power reaches the load. To make the customer more aware of power factor considerations, the power company may install a penalty on the customer's bill. A typical penalty–power factor chart is shown in Table 7.3. Power factors below 0.7 are not permitted. A 25 percent penalty will be applied to any billing after two consecutive months in which the customer's power factor has remained below 0.7.

**Table 7.3**

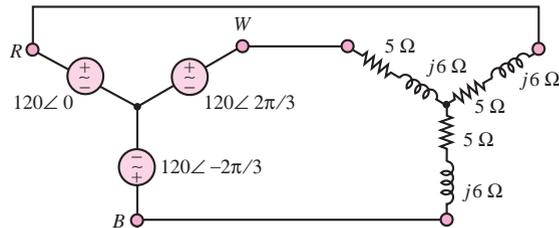
Power factor	Penalty
0.850 and higher	None
0.8 to 0.849	1%
0.75 to 0.799	2%
0.7 to 0.749	3%

Courtesy of Detroit Edison.

The wye-wye circuit shown in Figure P7.72 is representative of a three-phase motor load. Assume rms values.

- Find the total power supplied to the motor.
- Find the power converted to mechanical energy if the motor is 80 percent efficient.
- Find the power factor.

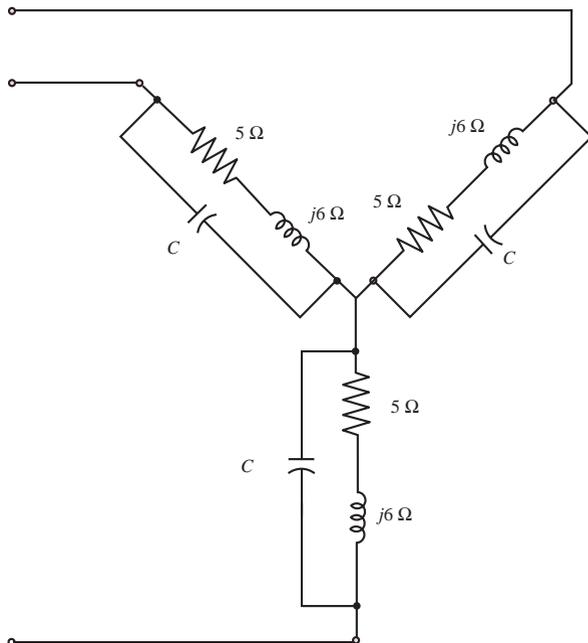
- Does the company risk facing a power factor penalty on its next bill if all the motors in the factory are similar to this one?



**Figure P7.72**

**7.73** To correct the power factor problems of the motor in Problem 7.72, the company has decided to install capacitors as shown in Figure P7.73. Assume rms values.

- What capacitance must be installed to achieve a unity power factor if the line frequency is 60 Hz?
- Repeat part a if the power factor is to be 0.85 (lagging).



**Figure P7.73**

**7.74** Find the apparent power and the real power delivered to the load in the Y- $\Delta$  circuit shown in Figure P7.74. What is the power factor? Assume rms values.

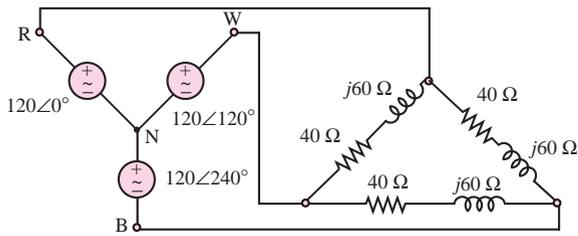


Figure P7.74

**7.75** The circuit shown in Figure P7.75 is a Y- $\Delta$ -Y connected three-phase circuit. The primaries of the transformers are wye-connected, the secondaries are delta-connected, and the load is wye-connected. Find the currents  $I_{RP}$ ,  $I_{WP}$ ,  $I_{BP}$ ,  $I_A$ ,  $I_B$ , and  $I_C$ .

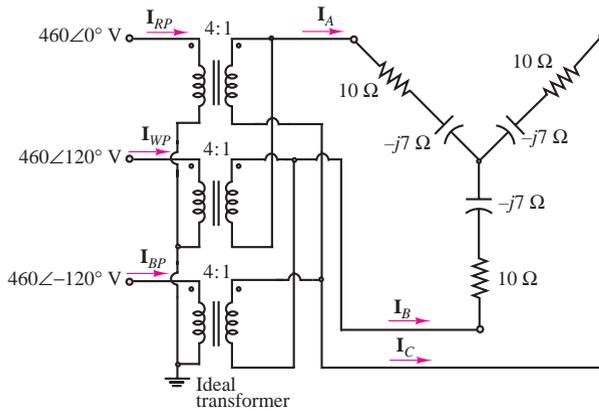


Figure P7.75

**7.76** A three-phase motor is modeled by the wye-connected circuit shown in Figure P7.76. At  $t = t_1$ , a line fuse is blown (modeled by the switch). Find the line currents  $I_R$ ,  $I_W$ , and  $I_B$  and the power dissipated by the motor in the following conditions:

- $t \ll t_1$
- $t \gg t_1$

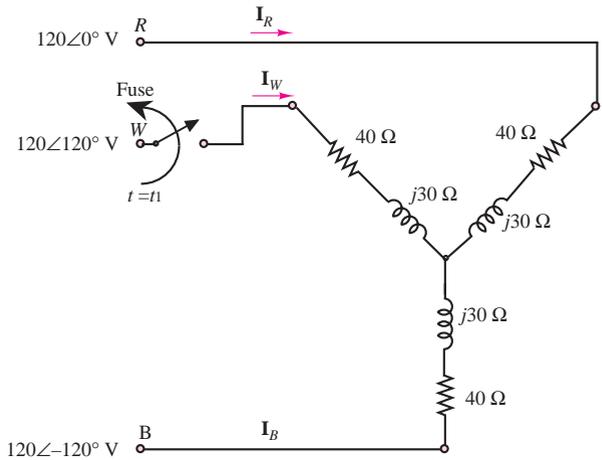


Figure P7.76

**7.77** For the circuit shown in Figure P7.77, find the currents  $I_A$ ,  $I_B$ ,  $I_C$  and  $I_N$ , and the real power dissipated by the load.

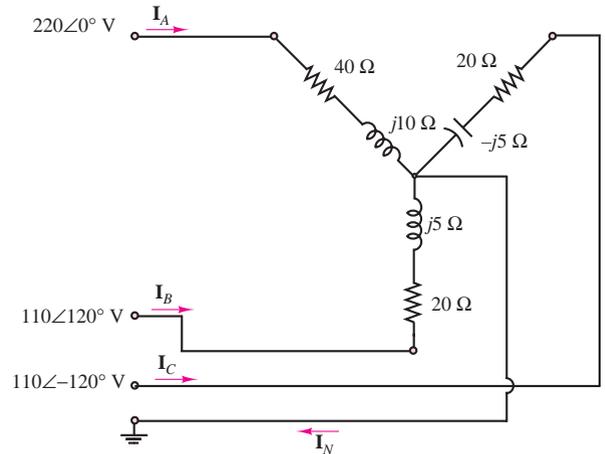
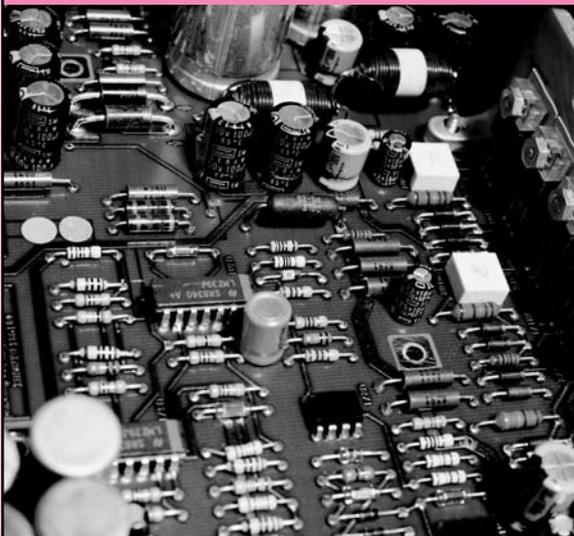


Figure P7.77

# PART II

## ELECTRONICS



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# C H A P T E R

# 8

## OPERATIONAL AMPLIFIERS

In this chapter we analyze the properties of the ideal amplifier and explore the features of a general-purpose amplifier circuit known as the *operational amplifier* (*op-amp*). Understanding the gain and frequency response properties of the operational amplifier is essential for the user of electronic instrumentation. Fortunately, the availability of operational amplifiers in integrated-circuit form has made the task of analyzing such circuits quite simple. The models presented in this chapter are based on concepts that have already been explored at length in earlier chapters, namely, Thévenin and Norton equivalent circuits and frequency response ideas.

Mastery of operational amplifier fundamentals is essential in any practical application of electronics. This chapter is aimed at developing your understanding of the fundamental properties of practical operational amplifiers. A number of useful applications are introduced in the examples and homework problems.

## Learning Objectives

1. Understand the properties of ideal amplifiers and the concepts of gain, input impedance, and output impedance. *Section 8.1.*
2. Understand the difference between open-loop and closed-loop op-amp configurations; and compute the gain of (or complete the design of) simple inverting, noninverting, summing, and differential amplifiers using ideal op-amp analysis. Analyze more advanced op-amp circuits, using ideal op-amp analysis; and identify important performance parameters in op-amp data sheets. *Section 8.2.*
3. Analyze and design simple active filters. Analyze and design ideal integrator and differentiator circuits. *Section 8.3.*
4. Understand the principal physical limitations of an op-amp. *Section 8.4.*

## 8.1 IDEAL AMPLIFIERS

One of the most important functions in electronic instrumentation is that of amplification. The need to amplify low-level electric signals arises frequently in a number of applications. Perhaps the most familiar use of amplifiers arises in converting the low-voltage signal from a cassette tape player, a radio receiver, or a compact disk player to a level suitable for driving a pair of speakers. Figure 8.1 depicts a typical arrangement. Amplifiers have a number of applications of interest to the non-electrical engineer, such as the amplification of low-power signals from transducers (e.g., bio-electrodes, strain gauges, thermistors, and accelerometers) and other, less obvious functions that will be reviewed in this chapter, for example, filtering and impedance isolation. We turn first to the general features and characteristics of amplifiers, before delving into the analysis of the operational amplifier.

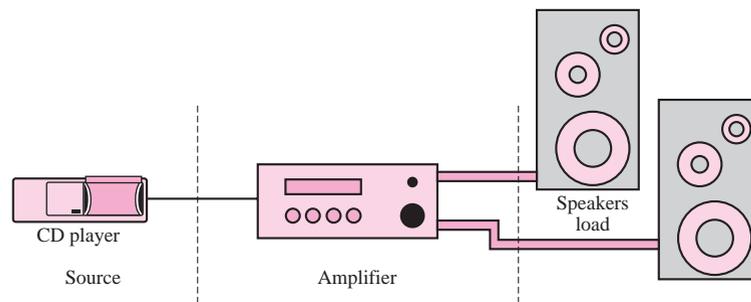


Figure 8.1 Amplifier in audio system

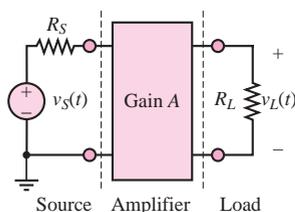


Figure 8.2 A voltage amplifier

### Ideal Amplifier Characteristics

The simplest model for an amplifier is depicted in Figure 8.2, where a signal  $v_S(t)$  is shown being amplified by a constant factor  $A$ , called the *gain* of the amplifier. Ideally, the load voltage should be given by the expression

$$v_L(t) = Av_S(t) \quad (8.1)$$

Note that the source has been modeled as a Thévenin equivalent, and the load as an equivalent resistance. Thévenin's theorem guarantees that this picture can be

representative of more complex circuits. Hence, the equivalent source circuit is the circuit the amplifier “sees” from its input port; and  $R_L$ , the load, is the equivalent resistance seen from the output port of the amplifier.

What would happen if the roles were reversed? That is, what does the source see when it “looks” into the input port of the amplifier, and what does the load see when it “looks” into the output port of the amplifier? While it is not clear at this point how one might characterize the internal circuitry of an amplifier (which is rather complex), it can be presumed that the amplifier will act as an equivalent load with respect to the source and as an equivalent source with respect to the load. After all, this is a direct application of Thévenin’s theorem. Figure 8.3 provides a pictorial representation of this simplified characterization of an amplifier. The “black box” of Figure 8.2 is now represented as an equivalent circuit with the following behavior. The input circuit has equivalent resistance  $R_{in}$ , so that the input voltage  $v_{in}$  is given by

$$v_{in} = \frac{R_{in}}{R_S + R_{in}} v_S \quad (8.2)$$

The equivalent input voltage seen by the amplifier is then amplified by a constant factor  $A$ . This is represented by the controlled voltage source  $Av_{in}$ . The controlled source appears in series with an internal resistor  $R_{out}$ , denoting the internal (output) resistance of the amplifier. Thus, the voltage presented to the load is

$$v_L = Av_{in} \frac{R_L}{R_{out} + R_L} \quad (8.3)$$

or, by substituting the equation for  $v_{in}$ ,

$$v_L = \left( A \frac{R_{in}}{R_S + R_{in}} \frac{R_L}{R_{out} + R_L} \right) v_S \quad (8.4)$$

In other words, the load voltage is an amplified version of the source voltage.

Unfortunately, the amplification factor is now dependent on both the source and load impedances, and on the input and output resistance of the amplifier. Thus, a given amplifier would perform differently with different loads or sources. What are the desirable characteristics for a voltage amplifier that would make its performance relatively independent of source and load impedances? Consider, once again, the expression for  $v_{in}$ . If the input resistance of the amplifier  $R_{in}$  were very large, the source voltage  $v_S$  and the input voltage  $v_{in}$  would be approximately equal:

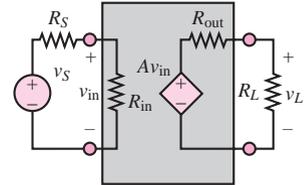
$$v_{in} \approx v_S \quad (8.5)$$

since

$$\lim_{R_{in} \rightarrow \infty} \frac{R_{in}}{R_{in} + R_S} = 1 \quad (8.6)$$

By an analogous argument, it can also be seen that the desired output resistance for the amplifier  $R_{out}$  should be very small, since for an amplifier with  $R_{out} = 0$ , the load voltage would be

$$v_L = Av_{in} \quad (8.7)$$



**Figure 8.3** Simple voltage amplifier model



Combining these two results, we can see that as  $R_{in}$  approaches infinity and  $R_{out}$  approaches zero, the ideal amplifier magnifies the source voltage by a factor  $A$

$$v_L = Av_S \quad (8.8)$$

just as was indicated in the “black box” amplifier of Figure 8.2.



Thus, two desirable characteristics for a general-purpose voltage amplifier are a very *large input impedance* and a very *small output impedance*. In the next sections we will show how operational amplifiers provide these desired characteristics.

## 8.2 THE OPERATIONAL AMPLIFIER

An **operational amplifier** is an **integrated circuit**, that is, a large collection of individual electric and electronic circuits integrated on a single silicon wafer. An operational amplifier—or op-amp—can perform a great number of operations, such as addition, filtering, and integration, which are all based on the properties of ideal amplifiers and of ideal circuit elements. The introduction of the operational amplifier in integrated-circuit (IC) form marked the beginning of a new era in modern electronics. Since the introduction of the first IC op-amp, the trend in electronic instrumentation has been to move away from the discrete (individual-component) design of electronic circuits, toward the use of integrated circuits for a large number of applications. This statement is particularly true for applications of the type the non-electrical engineer is likely to encounter: op-amps are found in most measurement and instrumentation applications, serving as extremely versatile building blocks for any application that requires the processing of electric signals.

Next, we introduce simple circuit models of the op-amp. The simplicity of the models will permit the use of the op-amp as a circuit element, or building block, without the need to describe its internal workings in detail. Integrated-circuit technology has today reached such an advanced stage of development that it can be safely stated that for the purpose of many instrumentation applications, the op-amp can be treated as an ideal device.

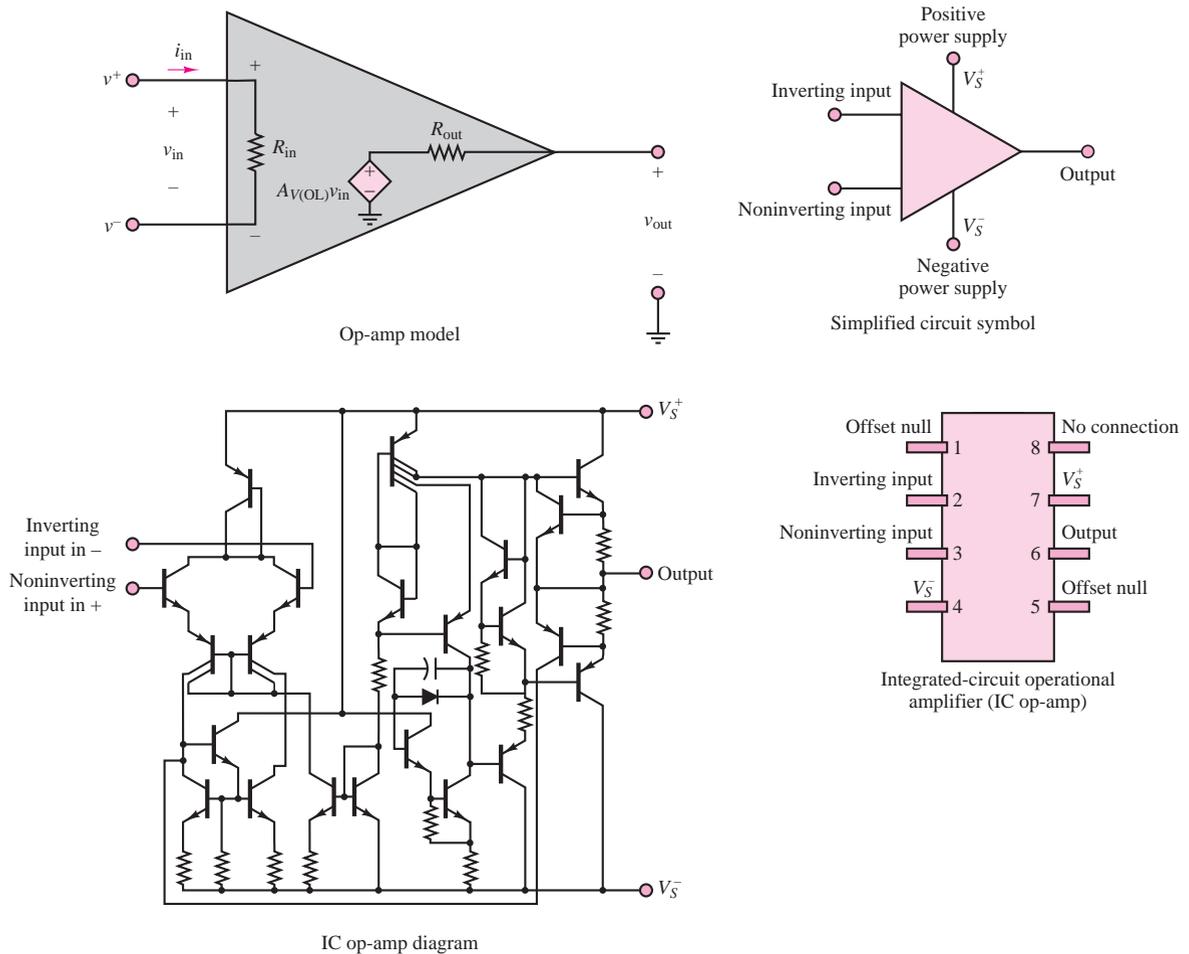
### The Open-Loop Model

The ideal operational amplifier behaves very much as an ideal **difference amplifier**, that is, a device that amplifies the difference between two input voltages. Operational amplifiers are characterized by near-infinite input resistance and very small output resistance. As shown in Figure 8.4, the output of the op-amp is an amplified version of the difference between the voltages present at the two inputs:<sup>1</sup>

$$v_{out} = A_{V(OL)}(v^+ - v^-) \quad (8.9)$$

The input denoted by a plus sign is called the **noninverting input** (or terminal), while that represented with a minus sign is termed the **inverting input** (or terminal). The amplification factor, or gain,  $A_{V(OL)}$  is called the **open-loop voltage gain** and is quite large by design, typically on the order of  $10^5$  to  $10^7$ ; it will soon become apparent why a large open-loop gain is a desirable characteristic. Together with the high input resistance and low output resistance, the effect of a large amplifier open-loop voltage gain  $A_{V(OL)}$  is such that op-amp circuits can be designed to perform very nearly as

<sup>1</sup>The amplifier of Figure 8.4 is a *voltage amplifier*; another type of operational amplifier, called a *current* or *transconductance amplifier*, is described in the homework problems.



**Figure 8.4** Operational amplifier model symbols, and circuit diagram

ideal voltage or current amplifiers. In effect, to analyze the performance of an op-amp circuit, only one assumption will be needed: that the current flowing into the input circuit of the amplifier is zero, or

$$i_{in} = 0 \tag{8.10}$$

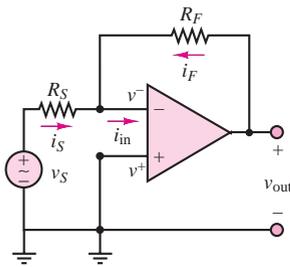
This assumption is justified by the large input resistance and large open-loop gain of the **operational amplifier**. The model just introduced will be used to analyze three amplifier circuits in the next part of this section.



## The Operational Amplifier in Closed-Loop Mode

### The Inverting Amplifier

One of the more popular circuit configurations of the op-amp, because of its simplicity, is the so-called inverting amplifier, shown in Figure 8.5. The input signal to be amplified is connected to the inverting terminal, while the noninverting terminal is grounded. It will now be shown how it is possible to choose an (almost) arbitrary



**Figure 8.5** Inverting amplifier

gain for this amplifier by selecting the ratio of two resistors. The analysis is begun by noting that at the inverting input node, KCL requires that

$$i_S + i_F = i_{in} \quad (8.11)$$

The current  $i_F$ , which flows back to the inverting terminal from the output, is appropriately termed **feedback current**, because it represents an input to the amplifier that is “fed back” from the output. Applying Ohm’s law, we may determine each of the three currents shown in Figure 8.5:

$$i_S = \frac{v_S - v^-}{R_S} \quad i_F = \frac{v_{out} - v^-}{R_F} \quad i_{in} = 0 \quad (8.12)$$

(the last by assumption, as stated earlier). The voltage at the noninverting input  $v^+$  is easily identified as zero, since it is directly connected to ground:  $v^+ = 0$ . Now, the **open-loop model for the op-amp** requires that

$$v_{out} = A_{V(OL)}(v^+ - v^-) = -A_{V(OL)}v^- \quad (8.13)$$

or

$$v^- = -\frac{v_{out}}{A_{V(OL)}} \quad (8.14)$$

Having solved for the voltage present at the inverting input  $v^-$  in terms of  $v_{out}$ , we may now compute an expression for the amplifier gain  $v_{out}/v_S$ . This quantity is called the **closed-loop gain**, because the presence of a feedback connection between the output and the input constitutes a closed loop.<sup>2</sup> Combining equations 8.11 and 8.12, we can write

$$i_S = -i_F \quad (8.15)$$

and

$$\frac{v_S}{R_S} + \frac{v_{out}}{A_{V(OL)}R_S} = -\frac{v_{out}}{R_F} - \frac{v_{out}}{A_{V(OL)}R_F} \quad (8.16)$$

which leads to the expression

$$\frac{v_S}{R_S} = -\frac{v_{out}}{R_F} - \frac{v_{out}}{A_{V(OL)}R_F} - \frac{v_{out}}{A_{V(OL)}R_S} \quad (8.17)$$

or

$$v_S = -v_{out} \left( \frac{1}{R_F/R_S} + \frac{1}{A_{V(OL)}R_F/R_S} + \frac{1}{A_{V(OL)}} \right) \quad (8.18)$$

If the open-loop gain of the amplifier  $A_{V(OL)}$  is sufficiently large, the terms  $1/(A_{V(OL)}R_F/R_S)$  and  $1/A_{V(OL)}$  are essentially negligible, compared with  $1/(R_F/R_S)$ . As stated earlier, typical values of  $A_{V(OL)}$  range from  $10^5$  to  $10^7$ , and thus it is reasonable to conclude that, to a close approximation, the following expression describes the closed-loop gain of the inverting amplifier:



$$\frac{v_{out}}{v_S} = -\frac{R_F}{R_S} \quad \text{Inverting amplifier closed-loop gain} \quad (8.19)$$

<sup>2</sup>This terminology is borrowed from the field of automatic controls, for which the theory of closed-loop feedback systems forms the foundation.

That is, the closed-loop gain of an inverting amplifier may be selected simply by the appropriate choice of two externally connected resistors. The price for this extremely simple result is an inversion of the output with respect to the input—that is, a minus sign.

Next, we show that by making an additional assumption it is possible to simplify the analysis considerably. Consider that, as was shown for the inverting amplifier, the inverting terminal voltage is given by

$$v^- = -\frac{v_{\text{out}}}{A_{V(\text{OL})}} \quad (8.20)$$

Clearly, as  $A_{V(\text{OL})}$  approaches infinity, the inverting-terminal voltage is going to be very small (practically, on the order of microvolts). It may then be assumed that *in the inverting amplifier*,  $v^-$  is virtually zero:

$$v^- \approx 0 \quad (8.21)$$

This assumption prompts an interesting observation (which may not yet appear obvious at this point):

The effect of the feedback connection from output to inverting input is to force the voltage at the inverting input to be equal to that at the noninverting input.



This is equivalent to stating that for an op-amp *with negative feedback*,

$$v^- \approx v^+ \quad (8.22)$$

The analysis of the operational amplifier can now be greatly simplified if the following two assumptions are made:

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <math>i_{\text{in}} = 0</math></li> <li>2. <math>v^- = v^+</math></li> </ol> | Assumptions for analysis of ideal op-amp with negative feedback | (8.23) |
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This technique will be tested in the next subsection by analyzing a noninverting amplifier configuration. Example 8.1 illustrates some simple design considerations.

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## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING



Consider an op-amp connected in the inverting configuration with a nominal closed-loop gain  $-R_F/R_S = -1,000$  (this would be the gain if the op-amp had infinite open-loop gain). Derive an expression for the closed-loop gain that includes the value of the open-loop voltage gain as a parameter (*Hint*: Start with equation 8.18, and do not assume that  $A_{V(\text{OL})}$  is infinite.); compute the closed-loop gain for the following values of  $A_{V(\text{OL})}$ :  $10^7$ ,  $10^6$ ,  $10^5$ ,  $10^4$ . How large should the open-loop gain be if we desire to achieve the intended closed-loop gain with less than 0.1 percent error?

Answers: 999.1; 999.0; 990.1; 909.1. For 0.1 percent accuracy,  $A_{V(\text{OL})}$  should equal  $10^6$ .

## Why Feedback?

Why is such emphasis placed on the notion of an amplifier with a very large open-loop gain and with negative feedback? Why not just design an amplifier with a reasonable gain, say,  $\times 10$ , or  $\times 100$ , and just use it as such, without using feedback connections? In these paragraphs, we hope to answer these and other questions, introducing the concept of **negative feedback** in an intuitive fashion.

The fundamental reason for designing an amplifier with a very large open-loop gain is the flexibility it provides in the design of amplifiers with an (almost) arbitrary gain; it has already been shown that the gain of the inverting amplifier is determined by the choice of two external resistors—undoubtedly a convenient feature! Negative feedback is the mechanism that enables us to enjoy such flexibility in the design of linear amplifiers.

To understand the role of feedback in the operational amplifier, consider the internal structure of the op-amp shown in Figure 8.4. The large open-loop gain causes any difference in voltage at the input terminals to appear greatly amplified at the output. When a negative feedback connection is provided, as shown, for example, in the inverting amplifier of Figure 8.5, the output voltage  $v_{\text{out}}$  causes a current  $i_F$  to flow through the feedback resistance so that KCL is satisfied at the inverting node. Assume, for a moment, that the differential voltage

$$\Delta v = v^+ - v^-$$

is identically zero. Then the output voltage will continue to be such that KCL is satisfied at the inverting node, that is, such that the current  $i_F$  is equal to the current  $i_S$ .

Suppose, now, that a small imbalance in voltage  $\Delta v$  is present at the input to the op-amp. Then the output voltage will be increased by an amount  $A_{V(\text{OL})} \Delta v$ . Thus, an incremental current approximately equal to  $A_{V(\text{OL})} \Delta v / R_F$  will flow from output to input via the feedback resistor. The effect of this incremental current is to reduce the voltage difference  $\Delta v$  to zero, so as to restore the original balance in the circuit. One way of viewing negative feedback, then, is to consider it a self-balancing mechanism, which allows the amplifier to preserve zero potential difference between its input terminals.

A practical example that illustrates a common application of negative feedback is the thermostat. This simple temperature control system operates by comparing the desired ambient temperature and the temperature measured by a thermometer and turning a heat source on and off to maintain the difference between actual and desired temperature as close to zero as possible. An analogy may be made with the inverting amplifier if we consider that, in this case, negative feedback is used to keep the inverting-terminal voltage as close as possible to the noninverting-terminal voltage. The latter voltage is analogous to the desired ambient temperature in your home, while the former plays a role akin to that of the actual ambient temperature. The open-loop gain of the amplifier forces the two voltages to be close to each other, in much the same way as the furnace raises the heat in the house to match the desired ambient temperature.

It is also possible to configure operational amplifiers in a **positive feedback** configuration if the output connection is tied to the noninverting input.



### EXAMPLE 8.1 Inverting Amplifier Circuit

#### Problem

Determine the voltage gain and output voltage for the inverting amplifier circuit of Figure 8.5. What will the uncertainty in the gain be if 5 and 10 percent tolerance resistors are used, respectively?

### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Feedback and source resistances; source voltage.

**Find:**  $A_V = v_{\text{out}}/v_{\text{in}}$ ; maximum percent change in  $A_V$  for 5 and 10 percent tolerance resistors.

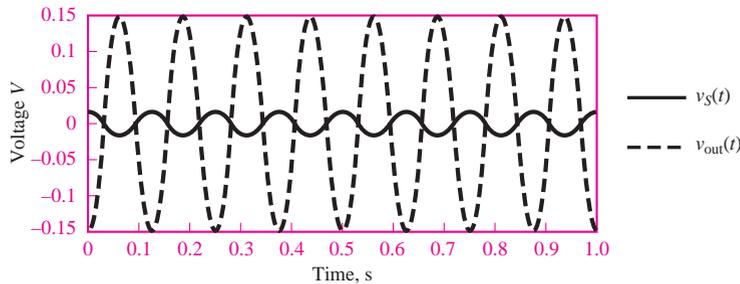
**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $R_S = 1 \text{ k}\Omega$ ;  $R_F = 10 \text{ k}\Omega$ ;  
 $v_S(t) = A \cos(\omega t)$ ;  $A = 0.015 \text{ V}$ ;  $\omega = 50 \text{ rad/s}$ .

**Assumptions:** The amplifier behaves ideally; that is, the input current into the op-amp is zero, and negative feedback forces  $v^+ = v^-$ .

**Analysis:** Using equation 8.19, we calculate the output voltage:

$$v_{\text{out}}(t) = A_V \times v_S(t) = -\frac{R_F}{R_S} \times v_S(t) = -10 \times 0.015 \cos(\omega t) = -0.15 \cos(\omega t)$$

The input and output waveforms are sketched in Figure 8.6.



**Figure 8.6**

The nominal gain of the amplifier is  $A_{V \text{ nom}} = -10$ . If 5 percent tolerance resistors are employed, the worst-case error will occur at the extremes:

$$A_{V \text{ min}} = -\frac{R_{F \text{ min}}}{R_{S \text{ max}}} = -\frac{9,500}{1,050} = 9.05 \quad A_{V \text{ max}} = -\frac{R_{F \text{ max}}}{R_{S \text{ min}}} = -\frac{10,500}{950} = 11.05$$

The percentage error is therefore computed as

$$100 \times \frac{A_{V \text{ nom}} - A_{V \text{ min}}}{A_{V \text{ nom}}} = 100 \times \frac{10 - 9.05}{10} = 9.5\%$$

$$100 \times \frac{A_{V \text{ nom}} - A_{V \text{ max}}}{A_{V \text{ nom}}} = 100 \times \frac{10 - 11.05}{10} = -10.5\%$$

Thus, the amplifier gain could vary by as much as  $\pm 10$  percent (approximately) when 5 percent resistors are used. If 10 percent resistors were used, we would calculate a percent error of approximately  $\pm 20$  percent, as shown below.

$$A_{V \text{ min}} = -\frac{R_{F \text{ min}}}{R_{S \text{ max}}} = -\frac{9,000}{1,100} = 8.18 \quad A_{V \text{ max}} = -\frac{R_{F \text{ max}}}{R_{S \text{ min}}} = -\frac{11,000}{900} = 12.2$$

$$100 \times \frac{A_{V \text{ nom}} - A_{V \text{ min}}}{A_{V \text{ nom}}} = 100 \times \frac{10 - 8.18}{10} = 18.2\%$$

$$100 \times \frac{A_{V \text{ nom}} - A_{V \text{ max}}}{A_{V \text{ nom}}} = 100 \times \frac{10 - 12.2}{10} = -22.2\%$$

**Comments:** Note that the worst-case percent error in the amplifier gain is double the resistor tolerance.

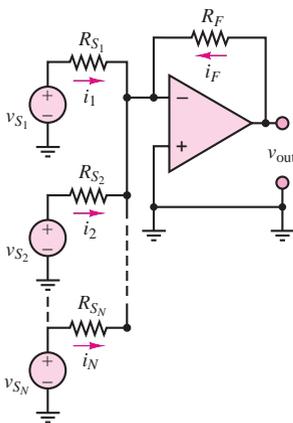
## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Calculate the uncertainty in the gain if 1 percent “precision” resistors are used.

Answer: +1.98 to -2.20 percent

### The Summing Amplifier

A useful op-amp circuit that is based on the inverting amplifier is the **op-amp summer**, or **summing amplifier**. This circuit, shown in Figure 8.7, is used to add signal sources. The primary advantage of using the op-amp as a summer is that the summation occurs independently of load and source impedances, so that sources with different internal impedances will not interact with one another. The operation of the summing amplifier is best understood by application of KCL at the inverting node: The sum of the  $N$  source currents and the feedback current must equal zero, so that



**Figure 8.7** Summing amplifier

$$i_1 + i_2 + \cdots + i_N = -i_F \quad (8.24)$$

But each of the source currents is given by

$$i_n = \frac{v_{S_n}}{R_{S_n}} \quad n = 1, 2, \dots, N \quad (8.25)$$

while the feedback current is

$$i_F = \frac{v_{out}}{R_F} \quad (8.26)$$

Combining equations 8.25 and 8.26, and using equation 8.15, we obtain the following result:

$$\sum_{n=1}^N \frac{v_{S_n}}{R_{S_n}} = -\frac{v_{out}}{R_F} \quad (8.27)$$

or



$$v_{out} = -\sum_{n=1}^N \frac{R_F}{R_{S_n}} v_{S_n} \quad \text{Summing amplifier} \quad (8.28)$$

That is, the output consists of the weighted sum of  $N$  input signal sources, with the weighting factor for each source equal to the ratio of the feedback resistance to the source resistance.

### The Noninverting Amplifier

To avoid the negative gain (i.e., phase inversion) introduced by the inverting amplifier, a **noninverting amplifier** configuration is often employed. A typical noninverting amplifier is shown in Figure 8.8; note that the input signal is applied to the noninverting terminal this time.

The noninverting amplifier can be analyzed in much the same way as the inverting amplifier. Writing KCL at the inverting node yields

$$i_F = i_S + i_{in} \approx i_S \quad (8.29)$$

where

$$i_F = \frac{v_{out} - v^-}{R_F} \quad (8.30)$$

$$i_S = \frac{v^-}{R_S} \quad (8.31)$$

Now, since  $i_{in} = 0$ , the voltage drop across the source resistance  $R$  is equal to zero. Thus,

$$v^+ = v_S \quad (8.32)$$

and, using equation 8.22, we get

$$v^- = v^+ = v_S \quad (8.33)$$

Substituting this result in equations 8.29 and 8.30, we can easily show that

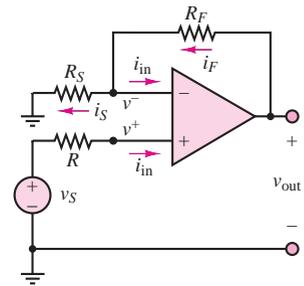
$$i_F = i_S \quad (8.34)$$

or

$$\frac{v_{out} - v_S}{R_F} = \frac{v_S}{R_S} \quad (8.35)$$

It is easy to manipulate equation 8.35 to obtain the result

$\frac{v_{out}}{v_S} = 1 + \frac{R_F}{R_S} \quad \text{Noninverting amplifier closed-loop gain} \quad (8.36)$	
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**Figure 8.8** Noninverting amplifier

which is the closed-loop gain expression for a noninverting amplifier. Note that the gain of this type of amplifier is always positive and greater than (or equal to) 1.

The same result could have been obtained without making the assumption that  $v^+ = v^-$ , at the expense of some additional work. The procedure one would follow in this latter case is analogous to the derivation carried out earlier for the inverting amplifier, and it is left as an exercise.

In summary, in the preceding pages it has been shown that by constructing a nonideal amplifier with very large gain and near-infinite input resistance, it is possible to design amplifiers that have near-ideal performance and provide a variable range of gains, easily controlled by the selection of external resistors. The mechanism that allows this is negative feedback. From here on, unless otherwise noted, it will

be reasonable and sufficient in analyzing new op-amp configurations to utilize these two assumptions:



1.  $i_{in} = 0$       Approximations used for ideal
2.  $v^- = v^+$       op-amps with negative feedback

(8.37)



### EXAMPLE 8.2 Voltage Follower

#### Problem

Determine the closed-loop voltage gain and input resistance of the **voltage follower** circuit of Figure 8.9.

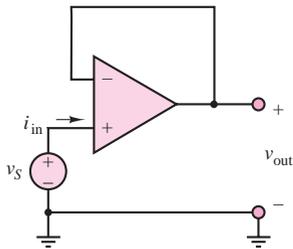


Figure 8.9 Voltage follower

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Feedback and source resistances; source voltage.

**Find:**

$$A_V = \frac{v_{out}}{v_S} \quad r_i = \frac{v_{in}}{i_{in}}$$

**Assumptions:** The amplifier behaves ideally; that is, the input current into the op-amp is zero, and negative feedback forces  $v^+ = v^-$ .

**Analysis:** From the ideal op-amp assumptions,  $v^+ = v^-$ . But  $v^+ = v_S$  and  $v^- = v_{out}$ , thus

$$v_S = v_{out} \quad \text{Voltage follower}$$

The name *voltage follower* derives from the ability of the output voltage to “follow” exactly the input voltage. To compute the input resistance of this amplifier, we observe that since the input current is zero,

$$r_i = \frac{v_S}{i_{in}} \rightarrow \infty$$

**Comments:** The input resistance of the voltage follower is the most important property of the amplifier: The extremely high input resistance of this amplifier (on the order of megohms to gigohms) permits virtually perfect isolation between source and load and eliminates *loading* effects. Voltage followers, or *impedance buffers*, are commonly packaged in groups of four or more in integrated-circuit form.

### CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Derive an expression for the closed-loop gain of the voltage follower that includes the value of the open-loop voltage gain as a parameter. (*Hint:* Follow the procedure of equations 8.11

through 8.19 with the appropriate modifications, and do not assume that  $A_{v(OL)}$  is infinite.) How large should the open-loop gain be if we desire to achieve the intended closed-loop gain (unity) with less than 0.1 percent error?

Answer: The expression for the closed-loop gain is  $v_{out}/v_{in} = 1/(1 + 1/A_{v(OL)})$ ; thus  $A_{v(OL)}$  should equal  $10^4$  for 0.1 percent accuracy.

### The Differential Amplifier

The third closed-loop model examined in this chapter is a combination of the inverting and noninverting amplifiers; it finds frequent use in situations where the difference between two signals needs to be amplified. The basic **differential amplifier** circuit is shown in Figure 8.10, where the two sources  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  may be independent of each other or may originate from the same process.

The analysis of the differential amplifier may be approached by various methods; the one we select to use at this stage consists of

1. Computing the noninverting- and inverting-terminal voltages  $v^+$  and  $v^-$ .
2. Equating the inverting and noninverting input voltages:  $v^- = v^+$ .
3. Applying KCL at the inverting node, where  $i_2 = -i_1$ .

Since it has been assumed that no current flows into the amplifier, the noninverting-terminal voltage is given by the following voltage divider:

$$v^+ = \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} v_2 \tag{8.38}$$

If the inverting-terminal voltage is assumed equal to  $v^+$ , then the currents  $i_1$  and  $i_2$  are found to be

$$i_1 = \frac{v_1 - v^+}{R_1} \tag{8.39}$$

and

$$i_2 = \frac{v_{out} - v^+}{R_2} \tag{8.40}$$

and since

$$i_2 = -i_1 \tag{8.41}$$

the following expression for the output voltage is obtained:

$$v_{out} = R_2 \left[ \frac{-v_1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_1 + R_2} v_2 + \frac{R_2}{R_1(R_1 + R_2)} v_2 \right] \tag{8.42}$$

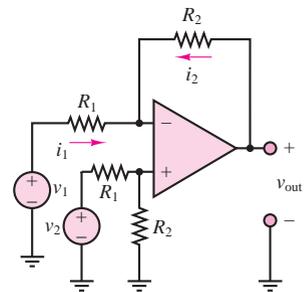


Figure 8.10 Differential amplifier



$$v_{\text{out}} = \frac{R_2}{R_1}(v_2 - v_1) \quad \text{Differential amplifier closed-loop gain}$$

Thus, the differential amplifier magnifies the difference between the two input signals by the closed-loop gain  $R_2/R_1$ .

In practice, it is often necessary to amplify the difference between two signals that are both corrupted by noise or some other form of interference. In such cases, the differential amplifier provides an invaluable tool in amplifying the desired signal while rejecting the noise.

In summary, Table 8.1 provides a quick reference to the basic op-amp circuits presented in this section.

### CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Derive the result given above for the differential amplifier, using the principle of superposition. Think of the differential amplifier as the combination of an inverting amplifier with input equal to  $v_2$  and a noninverting amplifier with input equal to  $v_1$ .

$$\text{Answer: } v_{\text{out}} = \frac{R_2}{R_1}(v_2 - v_1)$$

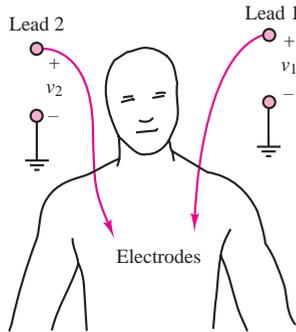
**Table 8.1** Summary of basic op-amp circuits

Configuration	Circuit diagram	Closed-loop gain (under ideal assumptions of equation 8.23)
Inverting amplifier	Figure 8.5	$v_{\text{out}} = -\frac{R_F}{R_S}v_S$
Summing amplifier	Figure 8.7	$v_{\text{out}} = -\frac{R_F}{R_1}v_{S1} - \frac{R_F}{R_2}v_{S2} - \cdots - \frac{R_F}{R_n}v_{Sn}$
Noninverting amplifier	Figure 8.8	$v_{\text{out}} = \left(1 + \frac{R_F}{R_S}\right)v_S$
Voltage follower	Figure 8.9	$v_{\text{out}} = v_S$
Differential amplifier	Figure 8.10	$v_{\text{out}} = \frac{R_2}{R_1}(v_2 - v_1)$

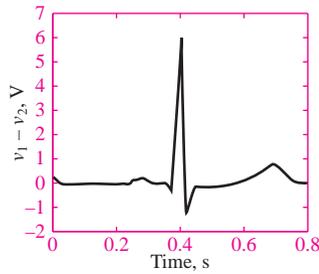
### EXAMPLE 8.3 Electrocardiogram (EKG) Amplifier

This example illustrates the principle behind a two-lead **electrocardiogram (EKG) measurement**. The desired cardiac waveform is given by the difference between the potentials measured by two electrodes suitably placed on the patient's chest, as shown in Figure 8.11. A healthy, noise-free EKG waveform  $v_1 - v_2$  is shown in Figure 8.12.





**Figure 8.11** Two-lead electrocardiogram

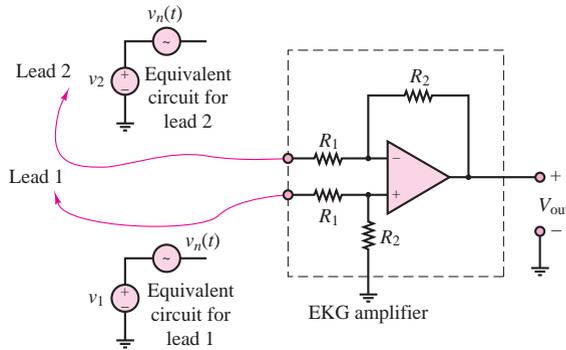


**Figure 8.12** EKG waveform

Unfortunately, the presence of electrical equipment powered by the 60-Hz, 110-V AC line current causes undesired interference at the electrode leads: the lead wires act as antennas and pick up some of the 60-Hz signal in addition to the desired EKG voltage. In effect, instead of recording the desired EKG signals  $v_1$  and  $v_2$ , the two electrodes provide the following inputs to the EKG amplifier, shown in Figure 8.13:

Lead 1:

$$v_1(t) + v_n(t) = v_1(t) + V_n \cos(377t + \phi_n)$$



**Figure 8.13** EKG amplifier

Lead 2:

$$v_2(t) + v_n(t) = v_2(t) + V_n \cos(377t + \phi_n)$$

The interference signal  $V_n \cos(377t + \phi_n)$  is approximately the same at both leads, because the electrodes are chosen to be identical (e.g., they have the same lead lengths) and are in close proximity to each other. Further, the nature of the interference signal is such that it is common to both leads, since it is a property of the environment in which the EKG instrument is embedded. On the basis of the analysis presented earlier, then,

$$v_{out} = \frac{R_2}{R_1} \{ [v_1 + v_n(t)] - [v_2 + v_n(t)] \}$$

or

$$v_{out} = \frac{R_2}{R_1} (v_1 - v_2)$$

Thus, the differential amplifier nullifies the effect of the 60-Hz interference, while amplifying the desired EKG waveform.

The differential amplifier provides the ability to reject common-mode signal components (such as noise or undesired DC offsets) while amplifying the differential-mode components. This is a very desirable feature in instrumentation systems. In practice, rejection of the common-mode signal is not complete: some of the common-mode signal component will always appear in the output. This fact gives rise to a figure of merit called the *common-mode rejection ratio*, which is discussed in Section 8.6.

Often, to provide impedance isolation between bridge transducers and the differential amplifier stage, the signals  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  are amplified separately. This technique gives rise to the **instrumentation amplifier (IA)**, shown in Figure 8.14. Example 8.4 illustrates the calculation of the closed-loop gain for a typical instrumentation amplifier.

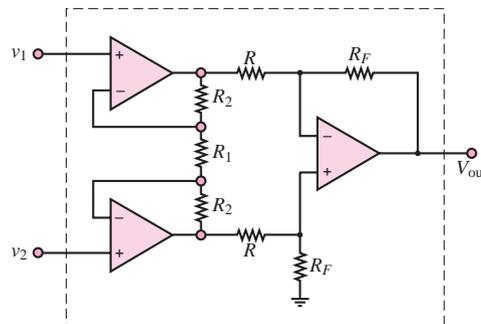


Figure 8.14 Instrumentation amplifier



### EXAMPLE 8.4 Instrumentation Amplifier

#### Problem

Determine the closed-loop voltage gain of the instrumentation amplifier circuit of Figure 8.14.

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Feedback and source resistances.

**Find:**

$$A_V = \frac{v_{\text{out}}}{v_1 - v_2} \quad (8.43)$$

**Assumptions:** Assume ideal op-amps.

**Analysis:** We consider the input circuit first. Thanks to the symmetry of the circuit, we can represent one-half of the circuit as illustrated in Figure 8.15(a), depicting the lower half of the first *stage* of the instrumentation amplifier. We next recognize that the circuit of Figure 8.15(a)

is a noninverting amplifier (see Figure 8.8), and we can directly write the expression for the closed-loop voltage gain (equation 8.36):

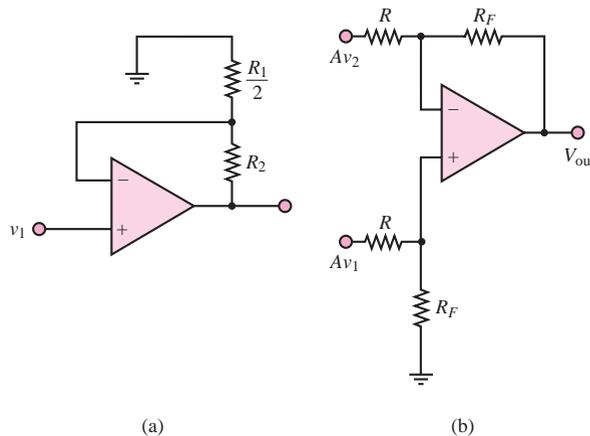
$$A = 1 + \frac{R_2}{R_1/2} = 1 + \frac{2R_2}{R_1}$$

Each of the two inputs  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  is therefore an input to the second *stage* of the instrumentation amplifier, shown in Figure 8.15(b). We recognize the second stage to be a differential amplifier (see Figure 8.10), and can therefore write the output voltage after equation 8.42:

$$v_{\text{out}} = \frac{R_F}{R} (Av_1 - Av_2) = \frac{R_F}{R} \left( 1 + \frac{2R_2}{R_1} \right) (v_1 - v_2) \quad (8.44)$$

from which we can compute the closed-loop voltage gain of the instrumentation amplifier:

$$A_V = \frac{v_{\text{out}}}{v_1 - v_2} = \frac{R_F}{R} \left( 1 + \frac{2R_2}{R_1} \right) \quad \text{Instrumentation amplifier}$$



**Figure 8.15** Input (a) and output (b) stages of instrumentation amplifier

Because the instrumentation amplifier has widespread application—and in order to ensure the best possible match between resistors—the entire circuit of Figure 8.14 is often packaged as a single integrated circuit. The advantage of this configuration is that resistors  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  can be matched much more precisely in an integrated circuit than would be possible by using discrete components. A typical, commercially available integrated-circuit package is the AD625. Data sheets for this device are provided on the website.

Another simple op-amp circuit that finds widespread application in electronic instrumentation is the **level shifter**. Example 8.5 discusses its operation and its application.



### EXAMPLE 8.5 Level Shifter

#### Problem

The level shifter of Figure 8.16 has the ability to add or subtract a DC offset to or from a signal. Analyze the circuit and design it so that it can remove a 1.8-V DC offset from a sensor output signal.

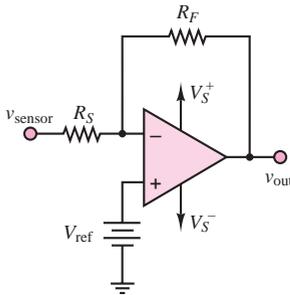


Figure 8.16 Level shifter

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Sensor (input) voltage; feedback and source resistors.

**Find:** Value of  $V_{\text{ref}}$  required to remove DC bias.

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $v_S(t) = 1.8 + 0.1 \cos(\omega t)$ ;  
 $R_F = 220 \text{ k}\Omega$ ;  $R_S = 10 \text{ k}\Omega$ .

**Assumptions:** Assume an ideal op-amp.

**Analysis:** We first determine the closed-loop voltage gain of the circuit of Figure 8.16. The output voltage can be computed quite easily if we note that, upon applying the principle of superposition, the sensor voltage sees an inverting amplifier with gain  $-R_F/R_S$ , while the battery sees a noninverting amplifier with gain  $1 + R_F/R_S$ . Thus, we can write the output voltage as the sum of two outputs, due to each of the two sources:

$$v_{\text{out}} = -\frac{R_F}{R_S} v_{\text{sensor}} + \left(1 + \frac{R_F}{R_S}\right) V_{\text{ref}}$$

Substituting the expression for  $v_{\text{sensor}}$  into the equation above, we find that

$$\begin{aligned} v_{\text{out}} &= -\frac{R_F}{R_S} [1.8 + 0.1 \cos(\omega t)] + \left(1 + \frac{R_F}{R_S}\right) V_{\text{ref}} \\ &= -\frac{R_F}{R_S} [0.1 \cos(\omega t)] - \frac{R_F}{R_S} (1.8) + \left(1 + \frac{R_F}{R_S}\right) V_{\text{ref}} \end{aligned}$$

Since the intent of the design is to remove the DC offset, we require that

$$-\frac{R_F}{R_S} (1.8) + \left(1 + \frac{R_F}{R_S}\right) V_{\text{ref}} = 0$$

or

$$V_{\text{ref}} = 1.8 \frac{R_F/R_S}{1 + R_F/R_S} = 1.714 \text{ V}$$

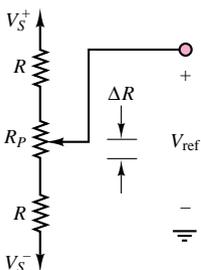


Figure 8.17

**Comments:** The presence of a precision voltage source in the circuit is undesirable, because it may add considerable expense to the circuit design and, in the case of a battery, it is not adjustable. The circuit of Figure 8.17 illustrates how one can generate an adjustable voltage reference by using the DC supplies already used by the op-amp, two resistors  $R$ , and a potentiometer  $R_p$ . The resistors  $R$  are included in the circuit to prevent the potentiometer from being shorted to either supply voltage when the potentiometer is at the extreme positions. Using the voltage divider rule, we can write the following expression for the reference voltage generated by the resistive divider:

$$V_{\text{ref}} = \frac{R + \Delta R}{2R + R_p} (V_S^+ - V_S^-)$$

If the voltage supplies are symmetric, as is almost always the case, we can further simplify the expression to

$$V_{\text{ref}} = \pm \frac{R + \Delta R}{2R + R_p} V_S^+$$

Note that by adjusting the potentiometer  $R_p$ , we can obtain any value of  $V_{\text{ref}}$  between the supply voltages.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

With reference to Example 8.5, find  $\Delta R$  if the supply voltages are symmetric at  $\pm 15$  V and a 10-k $\Omega$  potentiometer is tied to the two 10-k $\Omega$  resistors.

With reference to Example 8.5, find the range of values of  $V_{\text{ref}}$  if the supply voltages are symmetric at  $\pm 15$  V and a 1-k $\Omega$  potentiometer is tied to the two 10-k $\Omega$  resistors.

Answers:  $\Delta R = 6.714 \Omega$ ;  $V_{\text{ref}}$  is between  $\pm 0.714$  V

## EXAMPLE 8.6 Temperature Control Using Op-Amps



### Problem

One of the most common applications of op-amps is to serve as a building block in analog control systems. The objective of this example is to illustrate the use of op-amps in a temperature control circuit. Figure 8.18(a) depicts a system for which we wish to maintain a constant temperature of 20°C in a variable temperature environment. The temperature of the system is measured via a thermocouple. Heat can be added to the system by providing a current to a heater coil, represented in the figure by the resistor  $R_{\text{coil}}$ . The heat flux thus generated is given by the quantity  $q_{\text{in}} = i^2 R_{\text{coil}}$ , where  $i$  is the current provided by a power amplifier and  $R_{\text{coil}}$  is the resistance of the heater coil. The system is insulated on three sides, and loses heat to the ambient through convective heat transfer on the fourth side [right-hand side in Figure 18(a)]. The convective heat loss is represented by an equivalent thermal resistance,  $R_t$ . The system has mass  $m$ , specific heat  $c$ , and its thermal capacitance is  $C_t = mc$  (see *Make the Connection — Thermal Capacitance*, p. 180 and *Make the Connection — Thermal System Dynamics*, p. 181 in Chapter 5).

### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Sensor (input) voltage; feedback and source resistors; thermal system component values.

**Find:** Select desired value of proportional gain,  $K_p$ , to achieve automatic temperature control.

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $R_{\text{coil}} = 5\Omega$ ;  $R_t = 2^\circ\text{C}/\text{W}$ ;  $C_t = 50 \text{ J}/^\circ\text{C}$ ;  $\alpha = 1 \text{ V}/^\circ\text{C}$ . Figure 8.18 (a), (b), (c), (d).

**Assumptions:** Assume ideal op-amps.

**Analysis:** The thermal system is described by the following equation, based on conservation of energy.

$$q_{\text{in}} - q_{\text{out}} = q_{\text{stored}}$$

where  $q_{in}$  represents the heat added to the system by the electrical heater,  $q_{out}$  represents the heat lost from the system through convection to the surrounding air, and  $q_{stored}$  represents the heat stored in the system through its thermal capacitance. In the system of Figure 8.18(a), the temperature,  $T$ , of the system is measured by a thermocouple that we assume produces a voltage proportional to temperature:  $v_{temp} = \alpha T$ . Further, we assume that the power amplifier can be simply modeled by a *voltage-controlled current source*, as shown in the figure, such that its current is proportional to an external voltage. This *error* voltage,  $v_e$ , depends on the difference between the actual temperature of the system,  $T$ , and the reference temperature,  $T_{ref}$ , that is,  $v_e = v_{ref} - v_{temp} = \alpha(T_{ref} - T)$ . With reference to the block diagram of Figure 8.18(b), we see that to maintain the temperature of the system at the desired level, we can use the *difference* voltage  $v_e$  as an input to the power amplifier [the controlled current source of Figure 8.18(a)]. You should easily convince yourself that a positive  $v_e$  corresponds to the need for heating the system, since a positive  $v_e$  corresponds to a system temperature lower than the reference temperature. Next, the power amplifier can output a positive current for a positive  $v_e$ . Thus, the block diagram shown in Figure 8.18(b) corresponds to an *automatic control system* that automatically increases or decreases the heater coil current to maintain the system temperature at the desired (reference) value. The “Amplifier” block in Figure 8.18(b) gives us the freedom to decide *how much* to increase the power amplifier output current to provide the necessary heating. The *proportional gain* of the amplifier,  $K_P$ , is a design parameter of the circuit that allows the user to optimize the response of the system for a specific design requirement. For example, a system specification could require that the automatic temperature control system be designed so as to maintain the temperature to within 1 degree of the reference temperature for external temperature disturbances as large as 10 degrees. As you shall see, we can adjust the response of the system by varying the proportional gain.

The objective of this example is to show how operational amplifiers can be used to provide two of the functions illustrated in the block diagram of Figure 8.18(b): (1) the summing amplifier computes the difference between the reference temperature and the system temperature; and (2) an inverting amplifier implements the *proportional gain* function that allows the designer to select the response of the amplifier by choosing an appropriate proportional gain.

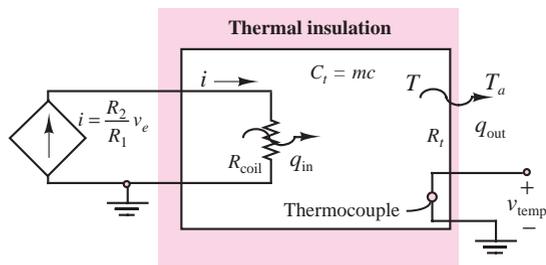


Figure 8.18 (a) Thermal system

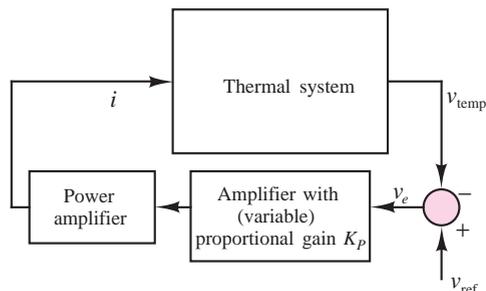


Figure 8.18 (b) Block diagram of control system

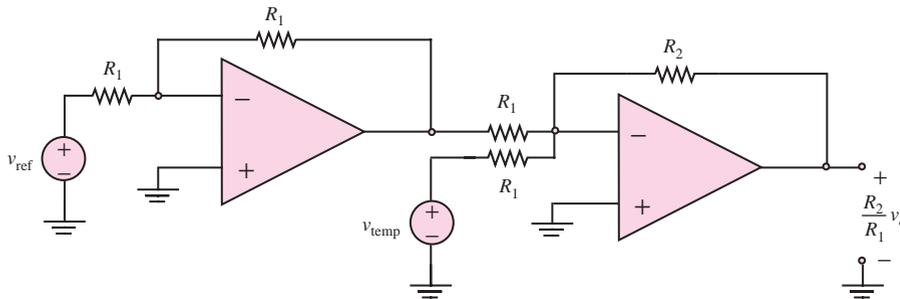
Figure 8.18(c) depicts the two-stage op-amp circuit that performs these functions. The first element is an inverting amplifier with unity gain, with the function of changing the sign of  $v_{\text{ref}}$ . The second amplifier, and inverting summing amplifier, adds  $v_{\text{temp}}$  to  $-v_{\text{ref}}$  and inverts the sum of these two signals, while at the same time amplifying it by the gain  $R_2/R_1$ . Thus, the output of the circuit of Figure 8.18(c) consists of the quantity  $R_2/R_1(v_{\text{ref}} - v_{\text{temp}}) = K_p(v_{\text{ref}} - v_{\text{temp}})$ . In other words, *selection of the feedback resistor  $R_2$  is equivalent to choosing the gain  $K_p$* .

To analyze the response of the system for various values of  $K_p$ , we must first understand how the system responds in the absence of automatic control. The differential equation describing the system is:

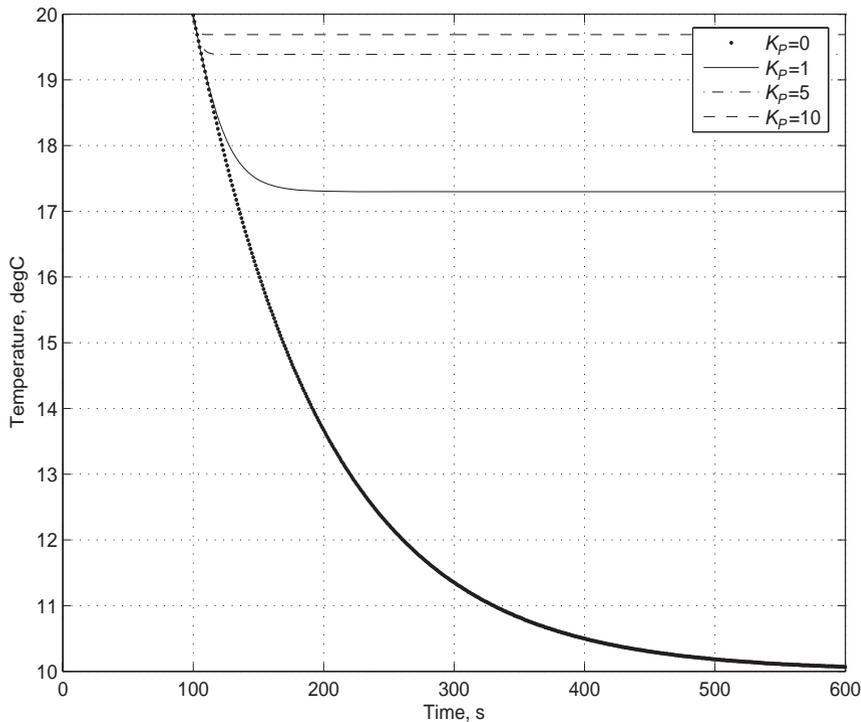
$$q_{\text{in}}(t) - \frac{T(t) - T_a}{R_t} = C_t \frac{dT(t)}{dt}$$

$$R_t C_t \frac{dT(t)}{dt} + T(t) = R_t q_{\text{in}}(t) + T_a$$

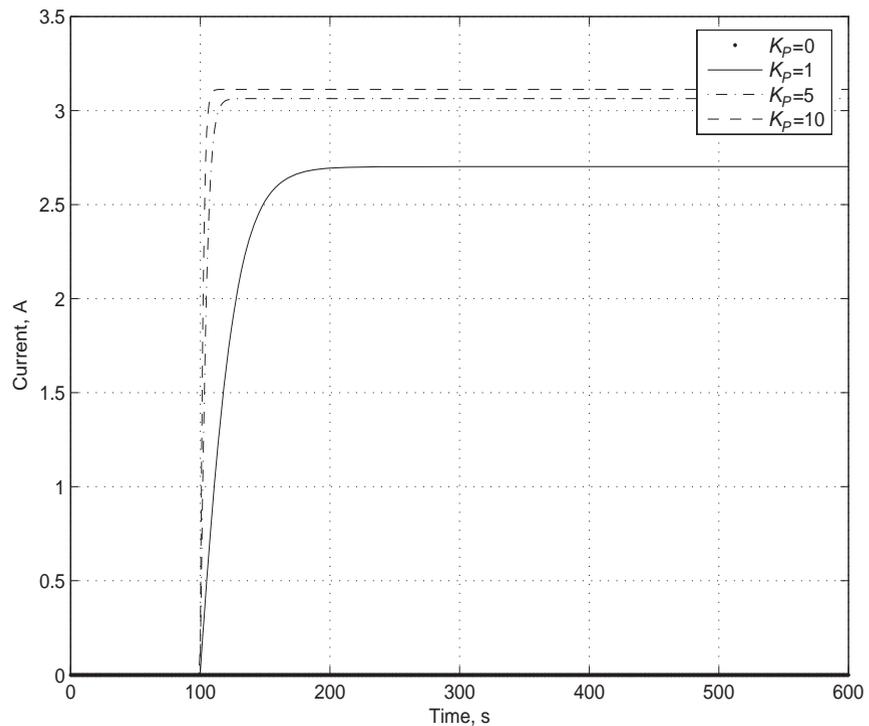
$$q_{\text{in}}(t) = R_{\text{coil}} i^2(t)$$



**Figure 8.18** (c) Circuit for generating error voltage and proportional gain



**Figure 8.18** (d) Response of thermal system for various values of proportional gain,  $K_p$



**Figure 8.18** (e) Power amplifier output current for various proportional gain,  $K_p$

Thus, the thermal system is a first-order system, and its time constant is  $\tau = R_t C_t = 2^\circ\text{C}/\text{W} \times 50 \text{ J}/^\circ\text{C} = 100 \text{ s}$ . The inputs to the system are the ambient temperature,  $T_a$ , and the heat flux,  $q_{\text{in}}$ , which is proportional to the square of the heater coil current. Imagine now that the thermal system is suddenly exposed to a 10-degree change in ambient temperature (for example, a drop from  $20^\circ\text{C}$  to  $10^\circ\text{C}$ ). Figure 8.18(d) depicts the response of the system for various values of  $K_p$ .  $K_p = 0$  corresponds to the case of no automatic control—that is, the *open loop* response of the system. In this case, we can clearly see that the temperature of the system drops exponentially from 20 to 10 degrees with a time constant of 100 s. This is so because no heating is provided from the power amplifier. As the gain  $K_p$  is increased to 1, the difference or “error” voltage,  $v_e$ , increases as soon as the temperature drops below the reference value. Since  $\alpha = 1$ , the voltage is numerically equal to the temperature difference. Figure 8.18(d) shows the temperature response for values of  $K_p$  ranging from 1 to 50. You can see that as the gain increases, the error between the desired and actual temperatures decreases very quickly. In particular, the error becomes less than 1 degree, which is the intended specification, for  $K_p = 5$  (in fact, we could probably achieve the specification with a gain slightly less than 5). To better understand the inner workings of the automatic temperature control system, it is also helpful to look at the error voltage, which is amplified to provide the power amplifier output current. With reference to Figure 8.18(e), we can see that when  $K_p = 1$ , the current increases somewhat slowly to a final value of about 2.7 A; as the gain is increased to 5 and 10, the current response increases more rapidly, and eventually settles to values of 3 and 3.1 A, respectively. The steady-state value of the current is reached in about 20 s for  $K_p = 5$ , and in about 10 s for  $K_p = 10$ .

**Comments:** Please note that even though the response of the system is satisfactory, the temperature error is not zero. That is, the automatic control system has a *steady-state error*. The design specifications recognized this fact by specifying that a  $1^\circ\text{C}$  tolerance was sufficient.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

How much steady-state power, in Watts, will be input to the thermal system of Example 8.6 to maintain its temperature in the face of a  $10^{\circ}\text{C}$  ambient temperature drop for values of  $K_p$  of 1, 5, and 10?

Answers:  $K_p = 1: 36.5 \text{ W}; K_p = 5: 45 \text{ W}; K_p = 10: 48 \text{ W}$

### Practical Op-Amp Design Considerations



The results presented in the preceding pages suggest that operational amplifiers permit the design of a rather sophisticated circuit in a few very simple steps, simply by selecting appropriate resistor values. This is certainly true, provided that the circuit component selection satisfies certain criteria. Here we summarize some important practical design criteria that the designer should keep in mind when selecting component values for op-amp circuits. Section 8.6 explores the practical limitations of op-amps in greater detail.

1. Use standard resistor values. While any arbitrary value of gain can, in principle, be achieved by selecting the appropriate combination of resistors, the designer is often constrained to the use of standard 5 percent resistor values (see Table 2.1). For example, if your design requires a gain of 25, you might be tempted to select, say, 100- and 4-k $\Omega$  resistors to achieve  $R_F/R_S = 25$ . However, inspection of Table 2.1 reveals that 4 k $\Omega$  is not a standard value; the closest 5 percent tolerance resistor value is 3.9 k $\Omega$ , leading to a gain of 25.64. Can you find a combination of standard 5 percent resistors whose ratio is closer to 25?
2. Ensure that the load current is reasonable (do not select very small resistor values). Consider the same example given in step 1. Suppose that the maximum output voltage is 10 V. The feedback current required by your design with  $R_F = 100 \text{ k}\Omega$  and  $R_S = 4 \text{ k}\Omega$  would be  $I_F = 10/100,000 = 0.1 \text{ mA}$ . This is a very reasonable value for an op-amp, as explained in section 8.6. If you tried to achieve the same gain by using, say, a 10- $\Omega$  feedback resistor and a 0.39- $\Omega$  source resistor, the feedback current would become as large as 1 A. This is a value that is generally beyond the capabilities of a general-purpose op-amp, so the selection of exceedingly low resistor values is not acceptable. On the other hand, the selection of 10-k $\Omega$  and 390- $\Omega$  resistors would still lead to acceptable values of current, and would be equally good. As a general rule of thumb, you should avoid resistor values lower than 100  $\Omega$  in practical designs.
3. Avoid stray capacitance (do not select excessively large resistor values). The use of exceedingly large resistor values can cause unwanted signals to couple into the circuit through a mechanism known as *capacitive coupling*. Large resistance values can also cause other problems. As a general rule of thumb, avoid resistor values higher than 1 M $\Omega$  in practical designs.
4. Precision designs may be warranted. If a certain design requires that the amplifier gain be set to a very accurate value, it may be appropriate to use the (more expensive) option of precision resistors: for example, 1 percent tolerance resistors are commonly available, at a premium cost. Some of the examples and homework problems explore the variability in gain due to the use of higher- and lower-tolerance resistors.

## FOCUS ON METHODOLOGY



## USING OP-AMP DATA SHEETS

Here we illustrate use of **device data sheets** for two commonly used operational amplifiers. The first, the LM741, is a general-purpose (low-cost) amplifier; the second, the LMC6061, is a precision CMOS high-input-impedance single-supply amplifier. Excerpts from the data sheets are shown below, with some words of explanation. Later in this chapter we compare the electrical characteristics of these two op-amps in greater detail.



**LM741 General Description and Connection Diagrams**—This sheet summarizes the general characteristics of the op-amp. The connection diagrams are shown. Note that the op-amp is available in various packages: a metal can package, a dual-in-line package (DIP), and two ceramic dual-in-line options. The dual-in-line (or S.O.) package is the one you are most likely to see in a laboratory. Note that in this configuration the integrated circuit has eight connections, or *pins*: two for the voltage supplies ( $V^+$  and  $V^-$ ); two inputs (inverting and noninverting); one output; two offset null connections (to be discussed later in the chapter); and a no-connection (NC) pin.

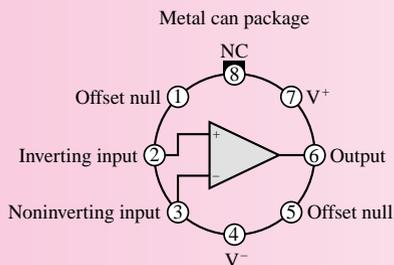
## LM741 Operational Amplifier

## General Description

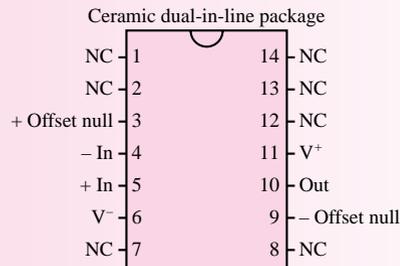
The LM741 series are general-purpose operational amplifiers which feature improved performance over industry standards like the LM709. They are direct, plug-in replacements for the 709C, LM201, MC1439, and 748 in most applications.

The amplifiers offer many features which make their application nearly foolproof: overload protection on the input and output, no latch-up when the common-mode range is exceeded, as well as freedom from oscillations.

The LM741C and LM741E are identical to the LM741 and LM741A except that the LM741C and LM741E have their performance guaranteed over a 0 to  $+70^\circ\text{C}$  temperature range, instead of  $-55$  to  $+125^\circ\text{C}$ .



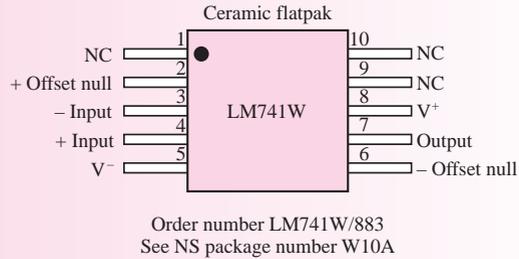
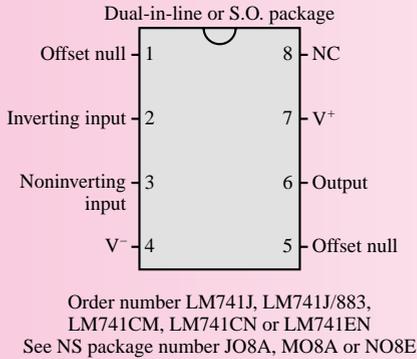
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LM741AH/883 or LM741CH  
See NS package number H08C



Order number LM741J-14/883\*, LM741AJ-14/883\*\*  
See NS package number J14A

\*also available per JM38510/10101  
\*\*also available per JM38510/10102

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**LMC6061 General Description and Connection Diagrams**—The description and diagram below reveal several similarities between the 741 and 6061 op-amps, but also some differences. The 6061 uses more advanced technology and is characterized by some very desirable features (e.g., the very low power consumption of CMOS circuits results in typical supply currents of only 20  $\mu\text{A}$ !). You can also see from the connection diagram that pins 1 and 5 (used for offset null connections in the 741) are not used in this IC. We return to this point later in the chapter.

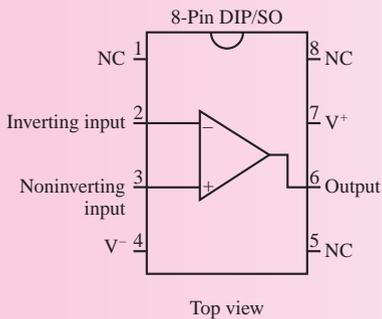
### LMC6061 Precision CMOS Single Micropower Operational Amplifier

#### General Description

The LMC6061 is a precision single low offset voltage, micropower operational amplifier, capable of precision single-supply operation. Performance characteristics include ultralow input bias current, high voltage gain, rail-to-rail output swing, and an input common-mode voltage range that includes ground. These features, plus its low power consumption, make the LMC6061 ideally suited for battery-powered applications.

Other applications using the LMC6061 include precision full-wave rectifiers, integrators, references, sample-and-hold circuits, and true instrumentation amplifiers.

This device is built with National's advanced double-poly silicon-gate CMOS process. For designs that require higher speed, see the LMC6081 precision single operational amplifier. For a dual or quad operational amplifier with similar features, see the LMC6062 or LMC6064, respectively.



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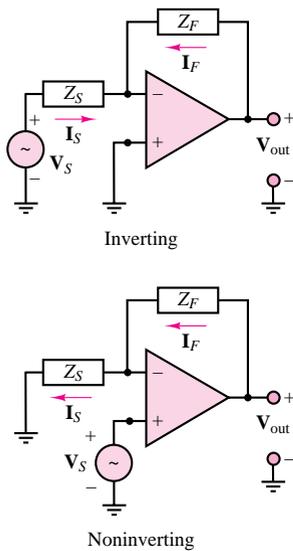
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**Features** (typical unless otherwise noted)

- Low offset voltage: 100  $\mu\text{V}$
- Ultralow supply current: 20  $\mu\text{A}$
- Operates from 4.5- to 15-V single supply
- Ultralow input bias current of 10 fA
- Output swing within 10 mV of supply rail, 100-k $\Omega$  load
- Input common-mode range includes  $V^-$
- High voltage gain: 140 dB
- Improved latch-up immunity

**Applications**

- Instrumentation amplifier
- Photodiode and infrared detector preamplifier
- Transducer amplifiers
- Handheld analytic instruments
- Medical instrumentation
- Digital-to-analog converter
- Charge amplifier to piezoelectric transducers



**Figure 8.19** Op-amp circuits employing complex impedances

**8.3 ACTIVE FILTERS**

The range of useful applications of an operational amplifier is greatly expanded if energy storage elements are introduced into the design; the frequency-dependent properties of these elements, studied in Chapters 4 and 6, will prove useful in the design of various types of op-amp circuits. In particular, it will be shown that it is possible to shape the frequency response of an operational amplifier by appropriate use of complex impedances in the input and feedback circuits. The class of filters one can obtain by means of op-amp designs is called **active filters**, because op-amps can provide amplification (gain) in addition to the filtering effects already studied in Chapter 6 for passive circuits (i.e., circuits comprising exclusively resistors, capacitors, and inductors).

The easiest way to see how the frequency response of an op-amp can be shaped (almost) arbitrarily is to replace the resistors  $R_F$  and  $R_S$  in Figures 8.5 and 8.8 with impedances  $Z_F$  and  $Z_S$ , as shown in Figure 8.19. It is a straightforward matter to show that in the case of the inverting amplifier, the expression for the closed-loop gain is given by

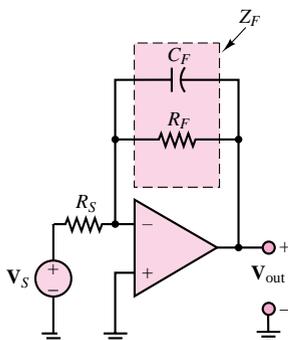
$$\frac{V_{out}}{V_S}(j\omega) = -\frac{Z_F}{Z_S} \tag{8.45}$$

whereas for the noninverting case, the gain is

$$\frac{V_{out}}{V_S}(j\omega) = 1 + \frac{Z_F}{Z_S} \tag{8.46}$$

where  $Z_F$  and  $Z_S$  can be arbitrarily complex impedance functions and where  $V_S$ ,  $V_{out}$ ,  $I_F$ , and  $I_S$  are all phasors. Thus, it is possible to shape the frequency response of an ideal op-amp filter simply by selecting suitable ratios of feedback impedance to source impedance. By connecting a circuit similar to the low-pass filters studied in Chapter 6 in the feedback loop of an op-amp, the same filtering effect can be achieved and, in addition, the signal can be amplified.

The simplest op-amp low-pass filter is shown in Figure 8.20. Its analysis is quite simple if we take advantage of the fact that the closed-loop gain, as a function of frequency, is given by



**Figure 8.20** Active low-pass filter

$$A_{LP}(j\omega) = -\frac{Z_F}{Z_S} \tag{8.47}$$

where

$$Z_F = R_F \parallel \frac{1}{j\omega C_F} = \frac{R_F}{1 + j\omega C_F R_F} \tag{8.48}$$

and

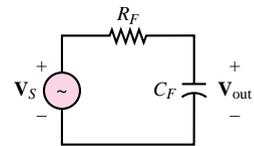
$$Z_S = R_S \tag{8.49}$$

Note the similarity between  $Z_F$  and the low-pass characteristic of the passive  $RC$  circuit! The closed-loop gain  $A_{LP}(j\omega)$  is then computed to be

$$A_{LP}(j\omega) = -\frac{Z_F}{Z_S} = -\frac{R_F/R_S}{1 + j\omega C_F R_F} \quad \text{Low-pass filter} \tag{8.50}$$

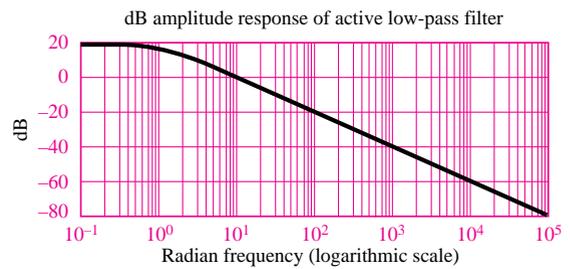
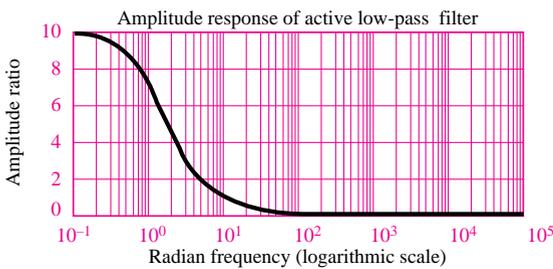


This expression can be factored into two parts. The first is an amplification factor analogous to the amplification that would be obtained with a simple inverting amplifier (i.e., the same circuit as that of Figure 8.20 with the capacitor removed); the second is a low-pass filter, with a cutoff frequency dictated by the parallel combination of  $R_F$  and  $C_F$  in the feedback loop. The filtering effect is completely analogous to what would be attained by the passive circuit shown in Figure 8.21. However, the op-amp filter also provides amplification by a factor of  $R_F/R_S$ .



**Figure 8.21** Passive low-pass filter

It should be apparent that the response of this op-amp filter is just an Amplified version of that of the passive filter. Figure 8.22 depicts the amplitude response of the active low-pass filter (in the figure,  $R_F/R_S = 10$  and  $1/R_F C_F = 1$ ) in two different graphs; the first plots the amplitude ratio  $V_{out}(j\omega)$  versus radian frequency  $\omega$  on a logarithmic scale, while the second plots the amplitude ratio  $20 \log V_S(j\omega)$  (in units of decibels), also versus  $\omega$  on a logarithmic scale. You will recall from Chapter 6 that decibel frequency response plots are encountered very frequently. Note that in the decibel plot, the slope of the filter response for frequencies is significantly higher than the cutoff frequency,

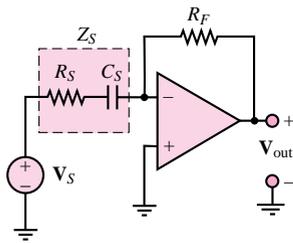


**Figure 8.22** Normalized response of active low-pass filter

$$\omega_0 = \frac{1}{R_F C_F} \tag{8.51}$$

is  $-20$  dB/decade, while the slope for frequencies significantly lower than this cutoff frequency is equal to zero. The value of the response at the cutoff frequency is found to be, in units of decibel,

$$|A_{LP}(j\omega_0)|_{dB} = 20 \log_{10} \frac{R_F}{R_S} - 20 \log \sqrt{2} \tag{8.52}$$



**Figure 8.23** Active high-pass filter

where

$$-20 \log_{10} \sqrt{2} = -3 \text{ dB} \tag{8.53}$$

Thus,  $\omega_0$  is also called the **3-dB frequency**.

Among the advantages of such active low-pass filters is the ease with which the gain and the bandwidth can be adjusted by controlling the ratios  $R_F/R_S$  and  $1/R_F C_F$ , respectively.

It is also possible to construct other types of filters by suitably connecting resistors and energy storage elements to an op-amp. For example, a high-pass active filter can easily be obtained by using the circuit shown in Figure 8.23. Observe that the impedance of the input circuit is

$$Z_S = R_S + \frac{1}{j\omega C_S} \tag{8.54}$$

and that of the feedback circuit is

$$Z_F = R_F \tag{8.55}$$

Then the following gain function for the op-amp circuit can be derived:

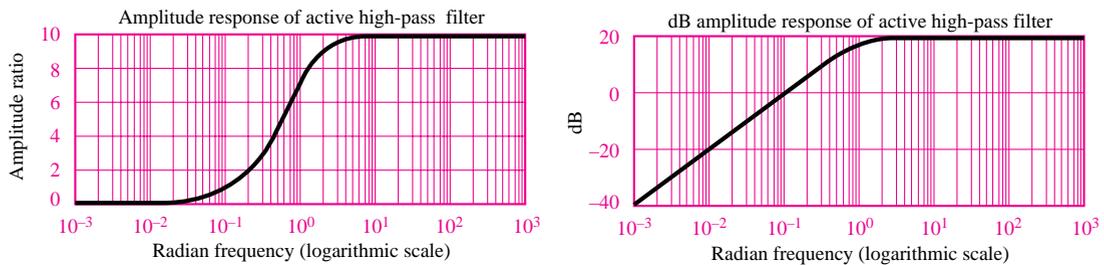


$$A_{HP}(j\omega) = -\frac{Z_F}{Z_S} = -\frac{j\omega C_S R_F}{1 + j\omega R_S C_S} \quad \text{High-pass filter} \tag{8.56}$$

As  $\omega$  approaches zero, so does the response of the filter, whereas as  $\omega$  approaches infinity, according to the gain expression of equation 8.56, the gain of the amplifier approaches a constant:

$$\lim_{\omega \rightarrow \infty} A_{HP}(j\omega) = -\frac{R_F}{R_S} \tag{8.57}$$

That is, above a certain frequency range, the circuit acts as a linear amplifier. This is exactly the behavior one would expect of a high-pass filter. The high-pass response is depicted in Figure 8.24, in both linear and decibel plots (in the figure,  $R_F/R_S = 10$  and  $1/R_S C_S = 1$ ). Note that in the decibel plot, the slope of the filter response for frequencies significantly lower than  $\omega = 1/R_S C_S = 1$  is +20 dB/decade, while the slope for frequencies significantly higher than this cutoff (or 3-dB) frequency is equal to zero.



**Figure 8.24** Normalized response of active high-pass filter

As a final example of active filters, let us look at a simple active bandpass filter configuration. This type of response may be realized simply by combining the high- and low-pass filters we examined earlier. The circuit is shown in Figure 8.25.

The analysis of the bandpass circuit follows the same structure used in previous examples. First we evaluate the feedback and input impedances:

$$Z_F = R_F \parallel \frac{1}{j\omega C_F} = \frac{R_F}{1 + j\omega C_F R_F} \tag{8.58}$$

$$Z_S = R_S + \frac{1}{j\omega C_S} = \frac{1 + j\omega C_S R_S}{j\omega C_S} \tag{8.59}$$

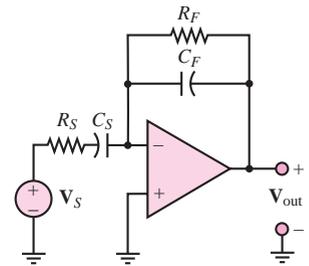


Figure 8.25 Active bandpass filter

Next we compute the closed-loop frequency response of the op-amp, as follows:

$$A_{BP}(j\omega) = -\frac{Z_F}{Z_S} = -\frac{j\omega C_S R_F}{(1 + j\omega C_F R_F)(1 + j\omega C_S R_S)} \tag{8.60}$$

Bandpass filter



The form of the op-amp response we just obtained should not be a surprise. It is very similar (although not identical) to the product of the low-pass and high-pass responses of equations 8.50 and 8.56. In particular, the denominator of  $A_{BP}(j\omega)$  is exactly the product of the denominators of  $A_{LP}(j\omega)$  and  $A_{HP}(j\omega)$ . It is particularly enlightening to rewrite  $A_{LP}(j\omega)$  in a slightly different form, after making the observation that each  $RC$  product corresponds to some “critical” frequency:

$$\omega_1 = \frac{1}{R_F C_S} \quad \omega_{LP} = \frac{1}{R_F C_F} \quad \omega_{HP} = \frac{1}{R_S C_S} \tag{8.61}$$

It is easy to verify that for the case where

$$\omega_{HP} < \omega_{LP} \tag{8.62}$$

the response of the op-amp filter may be represented as shown in Figure 8.26 in both linear and decibel plots (in the figure,  $\omega_1 = 1$ ,  $\omega_{LP} = 1,000$ , and  $\omega_{HP} = 10$ ). The decibel plot is very revealing, for it shows that, in effect, the bandpass response is the graphical superposition of the low-pass and high-pass responses shown earlier. The two 3-dB (or cutoff) frequencies are the same as in  $A_{LP}(j\omega)$ ,  $1/R_F C_F$ ; and in  $A_{HP}(j\omega)$ ,  $1/R_S C_S$ . The third frequency,  $\omega_1 = 1/R_F C_S$ , represents the point where the response of the filter crosses the 0-dB axis (rising slope). Since 0 dB corresponds to a gain of 1, this frequency is called the **unity gain frequency**.

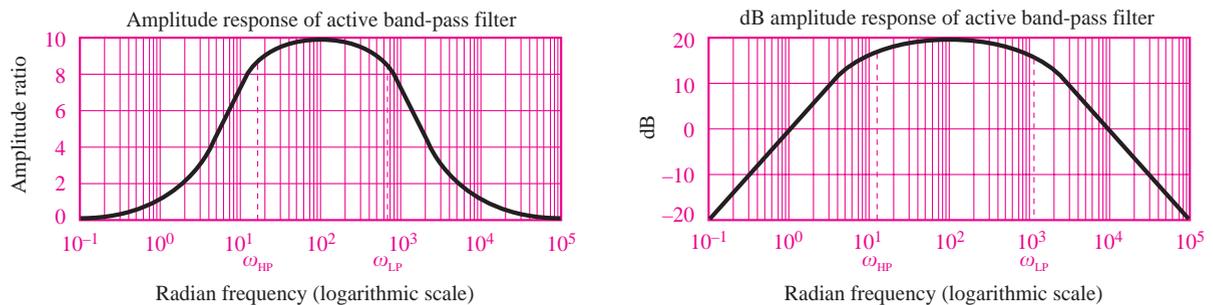


Figure 8.26 Normalized amplitude response of active bandpass filter

The ideas developed thus far can be employed to construct more complex functions of frequency. In fact, most active filters one encounters in practical

applications are based on circuits involving more than one or two energy storage elements. By constructing suitable functions for  $Z_F$  and  $Z_S$ , it is possible to realize filters with greater frequency selectivity (i.e., sharpness of cutoff), as well as flatter bandpass or band-rejection functions (i.e., filters that either allow or reject signals in a limited band of frequencies). A few simple applications are investigated in the homework problems. One remark that should be made in passing, though, pertains to the exclusive use of capacitors in the circuits analyzed thus far. One of the advantages of op-amp filters is that it is not necessary to use both capacitors and inductors to obtain a bandpass response. Suitable connections of capacitors can accomplish that task in an op-amp. This seemingly minor fact is of great importance in practice, because inductors are expensive to mass-produce to close tolerances and exact specifications and are often bulkier than capacitors with equivalent energy storage capabilities. On the other hand, capacitors are easy to manufacture in a wide variety of tolerances and values, and in relatively compact packages, including in integrated-circuit form.

Example 8.7 illustrates how it is possible to construct active filters with greater frequency selectivity by adding energy storage elements to the design.



### EXAMPLE 8.7 Second-Order Low-Pass Filter

#### Problem

Determine the closed-loop voltage gain as a function of frequency for the op-amp circuit of Figure 8.27.

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Feedback and source impedances.

**Find:**

$$A(j\omega) = \frac{\mathbf{V}_{\text{out}}(j\omega)}{\mathbf{V}_S(j\omega)}$$

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $R_2C = L/R_1 = \omega_0$ .

**Assumptions:** Assume an ideal op-amp.

**Analysis:** The expression for the gain of the filter of Figure 8.27 can be determined by using equation 8.45:

$$A(j\omega) = \frac{\mathbf{V}_{\text{out}}(j\omega)}{\mathbf{V}_S(j\omega)} = -\frac{Z_F(j\omega)}{Z_S(j\omega)}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} Z_F(j\omega) &= R_2 \parallel \frac{1}{j\omega C} = \frac{R_2}{1 + j\omega CR_2} = \frac{R_2}{1 + j\omega/\omega_0} \\ &= R_1 + j\omega L = R_1 \left( 1 + j\omega \frac{L}{R_1} \right) = R_1 \left( 1 + \frac{j\omega}{\omega_0} \right) \end{aligned}$$

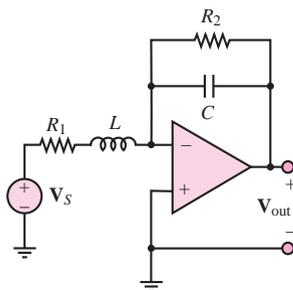


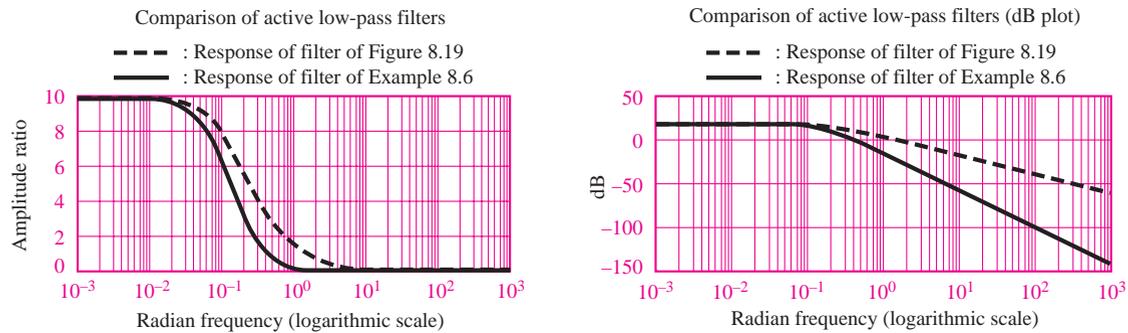
Figure 8.27

Thus, the gain of the filter is

$$A(j\omega) = \frac{R_2/(1 + j\omega/\omega_0)}{R_1(1 + j\omega/\omega_0)}$$

$$= \frac{R_2/R_1}{(1 + j\omega/\omega_0)^2}$$

**Comments:** Note the similarity between the expression for the gain of the filter of Figure 8.27 and that given in equation 8.50 for the gain of a (first-order) low-pass filter. Clearly, the circuit analyzed in this example is also a low-pass filter, of second order (as the quadratic denominator term suggests). Figure 8.28 compares the two responses in both linear and decibel (Bode) magnitude plots. The slope of the decibel plot for the second-order filter at higher frequencies is twice that of the first-order filter ( $-40$  versus  $-20$  dB/decade). We should also remark that the use of an inductor in the filter design is not recommended in practice, as explained in the above section, and that we have used it in this example only because of the simplicity of the resulting gain expressions.



**Figure 8.28** Comparison of first- and second-order active filters

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Design a low-pass filter with closed-loop gain of 100 and cutoff (3-dB) frequency equal to 800 Hz. Assume that only  $0.01\text{-}\mu\text{F}$  capacitors are available. Find  $R_F$  and  $R_S$ .

Repeat the design of the exercise above for a high-pass filter with cutoff frequency of 2,000 Hz. This time, however, assume that only standard values of resistors are available (see Table 2.1 for a table of standard values). Select the nearest component values, and calculate the percent error in gain and cutoff frequency with respect to the desired values.

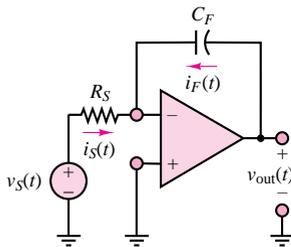
Find the frequency corresponding to attenuation of 1 dB (with respect to the maximum value of the amplitude response) for the filter of the two previous exercises.

What is the decibel gain for the filter of Example 8.6 at the cutoff frequency  $\omega_0$ ? Find the 3-dB frequency for this filter in terms of the cutoff frequency  $\omega_0$ , and note that the two are not the same.

Answers:  $R_F = 19.9\text{ k}\Omega$ ,  $R_S = 199\ \Omega$ ;  $R_F = 820\text{ k}\Omega$ ,  $R_S = 8.2\text{ k}\Omega$ ; error: gain = 0 percent,  $\omega_3\text{ dB} = 2.9$  percent; 407 Hz;  $-6\text{ dB}$ ;  $\omega_3\text{ dB} = 0.642\omega_0$

## 8.4 INTEGRATOR AND DIFFERENTIATOR CIRCUITS

In the preceding sections, we examined the frequency response of op-amp circuits for sinusoidal inputs. However, certain op-amp circuits containing energy storage elements reveal some of their more general properties if we analyze their response to inputs that are time-varying but not necessarily sinusoidal. Among such circuits are the commonly used integrator and differentiator; the analysis of these circuits is presented in the following paragraphs.



**Figure 8.29** Op-amp integrator

### The Ideal Integrator

Consider the circuit of Figure 8.29, where  $v_S(t)$  is an arbitrary function of time (e.g., a pulse train, a triangular wave, or a square wave). The op-amp circuit shown provides an output that is proportional to the integral of  $v_S(t)$ . The analysis of the integrator circuit is, as always, based on the observation that

$$i_S(t) = -i_F(t) \quad (8.63)$$

where

$$i_S(t) = \frac{v_S(t)}{R_S} \quad (8.64)$$

It is also known that

$$i_F(t) = C_F \frac{dv_{out}(t)}{dt} \quad (8.65)$$

from the fundamental definition of the capacitor. The source voltage can then be expressed as a function of the derivative of the output voltage:

$$\frac{1}{R_S C_F} v_S(t) = -\frac{dv_{out}(t)}{dt} \quad (8.66)$$

By integrating both sides of equation 8.66, we obtain the following result:



$$v_{out}(t) = -\frac{1}{R_S C_F} \int_{-\infty}^t v_S(t') dt' \quad \text{Op-amp integrator} \quad (8.67)$$

This equation states that the output voltage is the integral of the input voltage.

There are numerous applications of the op-amp integrator, most notably the **analog computer**, which is discussed in Section 8.5. Example 8.8 illustrates the operation of the op-amp integrator.



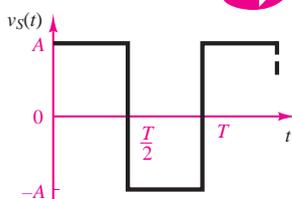
### EXAMPLE 8.8 Integrating a Square Wave

#### Problem

Determine the output voltage for the integrator circuit of Figure 8.30 if the input is a square wave of amplitude  $\pm A$  and period  $T$ .

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Feedback and source impedances; input waveform characteristics.



**Figure 8.30**

**Find:**  $v_{\text{out}}(t)$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $T = 10 \text{ ms}$ ;  $C_F = 1 \mu\text{F}$ ;  
 $R_S = 10 \text{ k}\Omega$ .

**Assumptions:** Assume an ideal op-amp. The square wave starts at  $t = 0$ , and therefore  $v_{\text{out}}(0) = 0$ .

**Analysis:** Following equation 8.67, we write the expression for the output of the integrator:

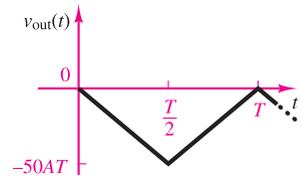
$$\begin{aligned} v_{\text{out}}(t) &= -\frac{1}{R_F C_S} \int_{-\infty}^t v_S(t') dt' = -\frac{1}{R_F C_S} \left[ \int_{-\infty}^0 v_S(t') dt' + \int_0^t v_S(t') dt' \right] \\ &= -\frac{1}{R_F C_S} \left[ v_{\text{out}}(0) + \int_0^t v_S(t') dt' \right] \end{aligned}$$

Next, we note that we can integrate the square wave in a piecewise fashion by observing that  $v_S(t) = A$  for  $0 \leq t < T/2$  and  $v_S(t) = -A$  for  $T/2 \leq t < T$ . We consider the first half of the waveform:

$$\begin{aligned} v_{\text{out}}(t) &= -\frac{1}{R_F C_S} \left[ v_{\text{out}}(0) + \int_0^t v_S(t') dt' \right] = -100 \left( 0 + \int_0^t A dt' \right) \\ &= -100At \quad 0 \leq t < \frac{T}{2} \\ v_{\text{out}}(t) &= v_{\text{out}}\left(\frac{T}{2}\right) - \frac{1}{R_F C_S} \int_{T/2}^t v_S(t') dt' = -100A \frac{T}{2} - 100 \int_{T/2}^t (-A) dt' \\ &= -100A \frac{T}{2} + 100A \left( t - \frac{T}{2} \right) = -100A(T - t) \quad \frac{T}{2} \leq t < T \end{aligned}$$

Since the waveform is periodic, the above result will repeat with period  $T$ , as shown in Figure 8.31. Note also that the average value of the output voltage is not zero.

**Comments:** The integral of a square wave is thus a triangular wave. This is a useful fact to remember. Note that the effect of the initial condition is very important, since it determines the starting point of the triangular wave.



**Figure 8.31**

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

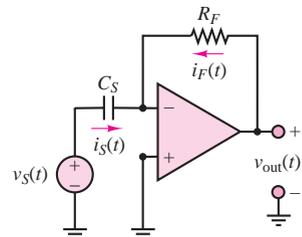
Plot the frequency response of the ideal integrator in the form of a Bode plot. Determine the slope of the straight-line segments in decibels per decade. You may assume  $R_S C_F = 10$ .

Answer:  $-20 \text{ dB/decade}$

## The Ideal Differentiator

Using an argument similar to that employed for the integrator, we can derive a result for the ideal differentiator circuit of Figure 8.32. The relationship between input and output is obtained by observing that

$$i_S(t) = C_S \frac{dv_S(t)}{dt} \quad (8.68)$$



**Figure 8.32** Op-amp differentiator

and

$$i_F(t) = \frac{v_{\text{out}}(t)}{R_F} \quad (8.69)$$

so that the output of the differentiator circuit is proportional to the derivative of the input:



$$v_{\text{out}}(t) = -R_F C_S \frac{dv_S(t)}{dt} \quad \text{Op-amp differentiator} \quad (8.70)$$

Although mathematically attractive, the differentiation property of this op-amp circuit is seldom used in practice, because differentiation tends to amplify any noise that may be present in a signal.

### CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Plot the frequency response of the ideal differentiator in the form of a Bode plot. Determine the slope of the straight-line segments in decibels per decade. You may assume  $R_F C_S = 100$ . Verify that if the triangular wave of Example 8.8 is the input to the ideal differentiator of Figure 8.32, that resulting output is a square wave.

Answer: +20 dB/decade

## 8.5 PHYSICAL LIMITATIONS OF OPERATIONAL AMPLIFIERS

Thus far, the operational amplifier has been treated as an ideal device, characterized by infinite input resistance, zero output resistance, and infinite open-loop voltage gain. Although this model is adequate to represent the behavior of the op-amp in a large number of applications, practical operational amplifiers are not ideal devices but exhibit a number of limitations that should be considered in the design of instrumentation. In particular, in dealing with relatively large voltages and currents, and in the presence of high-frequency signals, it is important to be aware of the nonideal properties of the op-amp. In this section, we examine the principal limitations of the operational amplifier.

### Voltage Supply Limits

As indicated in Figure 8.4, operational amplifiers (and all amplifiers, in general) are powered by external DC voltage supplies  $V_S^+$  and  $V_S^-$ , which are usually symmetric and on the order of  $\pm 10$  to  $\pm 20$  V. Some op-amps are especially designed to operate from a single voltage supply; but for the sake of simplicity from here on we shall consider only symmetric supplies. The effect of limiting supply voltages is that amplifiers are capable of amplifying signals *only within the range of their supply voltages*; it would be physically impossible for an amplifier to generate a voltage greater than  $V_S^+$  or less than  $V_S^-$ . This limitation may be stated as follows:



$$V_S^- < v_{\text{out}} < V_S^+ \quad \text{Voltage supply limitation} \quad (8.71)$$

For most op-amps, the limit is actually approximately 1.5 V less than the supply voltages. How does this practically affect the performance of an amplifier circuit? An example will best illustrate the idea.

### EXAMPLE 8.9 Voltage Supply Limits in an Inverting Amplifier

#### Problem

Compute and sketch the output voltage of the inverting amplifier of Figure 8.33.



#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Resistor and supply voltage values; input voltage.

**Find:**  $v_{out}(t)$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $R_S = 1 \text{ k}\Omega$ ;  $R_F = 10 \text{ k}\Omega$ ;  $R_L = 1 \text{ k}\Omega$ ;  $V_S^+ = 15 \text{ V}$ ;  $V_S^- = -15 \text{ V}$ ;  $v_S(t) = 2 \sin(1,000t)$ .

**Assumptions:** Assume a supply voltage–limited op-amp.

**Analysis:** For an ideal op-amp the output would be

$$v_{out}(t) = -\frac{R_F}{R_S} v_S(t) = -10 \times 2 \sin(1,000t) = -20 \sin(1,000t)$$

However, the supply voltage is limited to  $\pm 15 \text{ V}$ , and the op-amp output voltage will therefore saturate before reaching the theoretical peak output value of  $\pm 20 \text{ V}$ . Figure 8.34 depicts the output voltage waveform.

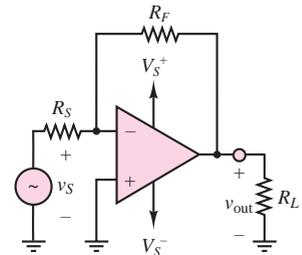


Figure 8.33

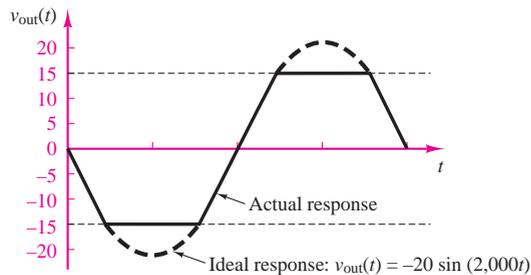


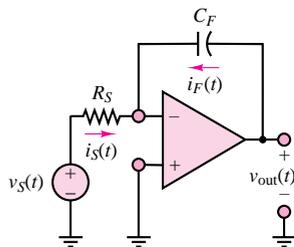
Figure 8.34 Op-amp output with voltage supply limit

**Comments:** In a practical op-amp, saturation would be reached at 1.5 V below the supply voltages, or at approximately  $\pm 13.5 \text{ V}$ .

Note how the voltage supply limit actually causes the peaks of the sine wave to be clipped in an abrupt fashion. This type of hard nonlinearity changes the characteristics of the signal quite radically, and could lead to significant errors if not taken into account. Just to give an intuitive idea of how such clipping can affect a signal,

have you ever wondered why rock guitar has a characteristic sound that is very different from the sound of classical or jazz guitar? The reason is that the “rock sound” is obtained by overamplifying the signal, attempting to exceed the voltage supply limits, and causing clipping similar in quality to the distortion introduced by voltage supply limits in an op-amp. This clipping broadens the spectral content of each tone and causes the sound to be distorted.

One of the circuits most directly affected by supply voltage limitations is the op-amp integrator. Example 8.10 illustrates how saturation of an integrator circuit can lead to severe signal distortion.



**Figure 8.35** Op-amp integrator

### EXAMPLE 8.10 Voltage Supply Limits in an Op-Amp Integrator

#### Problem

Compute and sketch the output voltage of the integrator of Figure 8.35.

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Resistor, capacitor, and supply voltage values; input voltage.

**Find:**  $v_{out}(t)$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $R_S = 10 \text{ k}\Omega$ ;  $C_F = 20 \text{ }\mu\text{F}$ ;  $V_S^+ = 15 \text{ V}$ ;  $V_S^- = -15 \text{ V}$ ;  $v_S(t) = 0.5 + 0.3 \cos(10t)$ .

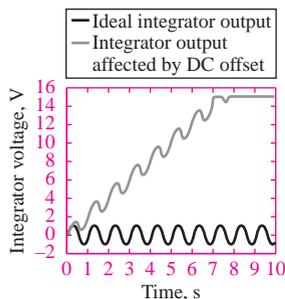
**Assumptions:** Assume a supply voltage–limited op-amp. The initial condition is  $v_{out}(0) = 0$ .

**Analysis:** For an ideal op-amp integrator the output would be

$$\begin{aligned} v_{out}(t) &= -\frac{1}{R_S C_F} \int_{-\infty}^t v_S(t') dt' = -\frac{1}{0.2} \int_{-\infty}^t [0.5 + 0.3 \cos(10t')] dt' \\ &= -2.5t + 1.5 \sin(10t) \end{aligned}$$

However, the supply voltage is limited to  $\pm 15 \text{ V}$ , and the integrator output voltage will therefore saturate at the lower supply voltage value of  $-15 \text{ V}$  as the term  $2.5t$  increases with time. Figure 8.36 depicts the output voltage waveform.

**Comments:** Note that the DC offset in the waveform causes the integrator output voltage to increase linearly with time. The presence of even a very small DC offset will always cause integrator saturation. One solution to this problem is to include a large feedback resistor in parallel with the capacitor; this solution is explored in the homework problems.



**Figure 8.36** Effect of DC offset on integrator

### CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

How long will it take (approximately) for the integrator of Example 8.10 to saturate if the input signal has a 0.1-V DC bias [that is,  $v_S(t) = 0.1 + 0.3 \cos(10t)$ ]?

Answer: Approximately 150 s

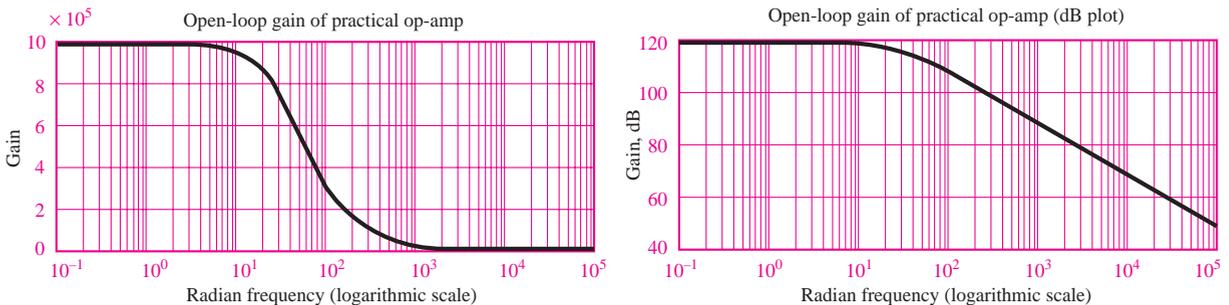
## Frequency Response Limits

Another property of all amplifiers that may pose severe limitations to the op-amp is their finite bandwidth. We have so far assumed, in our ideal op-amp model, that the open-loop gain is a very large constant. In reality,  $A_{V(OL)}$  is a function of frequency and is characterized by a low-pass response. For a typical op-amp,

$$A_{V(OL)}(j\omega) = \frac{A_0}{1 + j\omega/\omega_0} \quad \text{Finite bandwidth limitation} \quad (8.72)$$

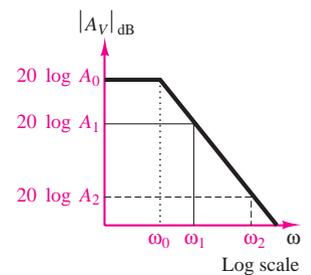


The cutoff frequency of the op-amp open-loop gain  $\omega_0$  represents approximately the point where the amplifier response starts to drop off as a function of frequency, and is analogous to the cutoff frequencies of the  $RC$  and  $RL$  circuits of Chapter 6. Figure 8.37 depicts  $A_{V(OL)}(j\omega)$  in both linear and decibel plots for the fairly typical values  $A_0 = 10^6$  and  $\omega_0 = 10\pi$ . It should be apparent from Figure 8.37 that the assumption of a very large open-loop gain becomes less and less accurate for increasing frequency. Recall the initial derivation of the closed-loop gain for the inverting amplifier: In obtaining the final result  $\mathbf{V}_{out}/\mathbf{V}_S = -R_F/R_S$ , it was assumed that  $A_{V(OL)} \rightarrow \infty$ . This assumption is clearly inadequate at the higher frequencies.



**Figure 8.37** Open-loop gain of practical op-amp

The finite bandwidth of the practical op-amp results in a fixed **gain-bandwidth product** for any given amplifier. The effect of a constant gain-bandwidth product is that as the closed-loop gain of the amplifier is increased, its 3-dB bandwidth is proportionally reduced until, in the limit, if the amplifier were used in the open-loop mode, its gain would be equal to  $A_0$  and its 3-dB bandwidth would be equal to  $\omega_0$ . The constant gain-bandwidth product is therefore equal to the product of the open-loop gain and the open-loop bandwidth of the amplifier:  $A_0\omega_0 = K$ . When the amplifier is connected in a closed-loop configuration (e.g., as an inverting amplifier), its gain is typically much less than the open-loop gain and the 3-dB bandwidth of the amplifier is proportionally increased. To explain this further, Figure 8.38 depicts the case in which two different linear amplifiers (achieved through any two different negative feedback configurations) have been designed for the same op-amp. The first has closed-loop gain  $A_1$ , and the second has closed-loop gain  $A_2$ . The bold line in the figure indicates the open-loop frequency response, with gain  $A_0$  and cutoff frequency  $\omega_0$ . As the gain decreases from the open-loop gain  $A_0$ , to  $A_1$ , we see that the cutoff frequency increases from  $\omega_0$  to  $\omega_1$ . If we further reduce the gain to  $A_2$ , we can expect the bandwidth to increase to  $\omega_2$ . Thus,



**Figure 8.38**



The product of gain and bandwidth in any given op-amp is constant. That is,

$$A_0 \times \omega_0 = A_1 \times \omega_1 = A_2 \times \omega_2 = K \quad (8.73)$$


### EXAMPLE 8.11 Gain-Bandwidth Product Limit in an Op-Amp

#### Problem

Determine the maximum allowable closed-loop voltage gain of an op-amp if the amplifier is required to have an audio-range bandwidth of 20 kHz.

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Gain-bandwidth product.

**Find:**  $A_{V \max}$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $A_0 = 10^6$ ;  $\omega_0 = 2\pi \times 5 \text{ rad/s}$ .

**Assumptions:** Assume a gain-bandwidth product limited op-amp.

**Analysis:** The gain-bandwidth product of the op-amp is

$$A_0 \times \omega_0 = K = 10^6 \times 2\pi \times 5 = \pi \times 10^7 \text{ rad/s}$$

The desired bandwidth is  $\omega_{\max} = 2\pi \times 20,000 \text{ rad/s}$ , and the maximum allowable gain will therefore be

$$A_{\max} = \frac{K}{\omega_{\max}} = \frac{\pi \times 10^7}{\pi \times 4 \times 10^4} = 250 \frac{V}{V}$$

For any closed-loop voltage gain greater than 250, the amplifier would have reduced bandwidth.

**Comments:** If we desired to achieve gains greater than 250 and maintain the same bandwidth, two options would be available: (1) Use a different op-amp with greater gain-bandwidth product, or (2) connect two amplifiers in cascade, each with lower gain and greater bandwidth, such that the product of the gains would be greater than 250.

To further explore the first option, you may wish to look at the device data sheets for different op-amps and verify that op-amps can be designed (at a cost!) to have substantially greater gain-bandwidth product than the amplifier used in this example. The second option is examined in Example 8.12.

### CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

What is the maximum gain that could be achieved by the op-amp of Example 8.11 if the desired bandwidth is 100 kHz?

Answer:  $A_{\max} = 50$

### EXAMPLE 8.12 Increasing the Gain-Bandwidth Product by Means of Amplifiers in Cascade



#### Problem

Determine the overall 3-dB bandwidth of the cascade amplifier of Figure 8.39.

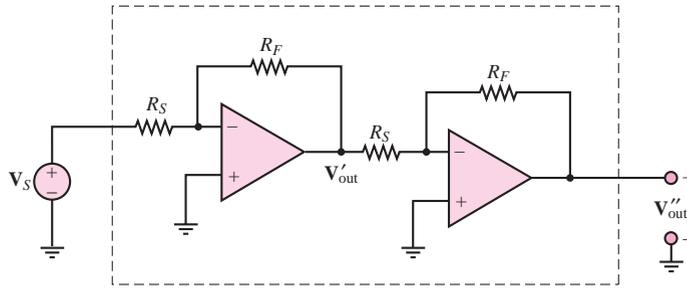


Figure 8.39 Cascade amplifier

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Gain-bandwidth product and gain of each amplifier.

**Find:**  $\omega_{3\text{dB}}$  of cascade amplifier.

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $A_0\omega_0 = K = 4\pi \times 10^6$  for each amplifier.  
 $R_F/R_S = 100$  for each amplifier.

**Assumptions:** Assume gain-bandwidth product limited (otherwise ideal) op-amps.

**Analysis:** Let  $A_1$  and  $\omega_1$  denote the gain and the 3-dB bandwidth of the first amplifier, respectively, and  $A_2$  and  $\omega_2$  those of the second amplifier.

The 3-dB bandwidth of the first amplifier is

$$\omega_1 = \frac{K}{A_1} = \frac{4\pi \times 10^6}{10^2} = 4\pi \times 10^4 \frac{\text{rad}}{\text{s}}$$

The second amplifier will also have

$$\omega_2 = \frac{K}{A_2} = \frac{4\pi \times 10^6}{10^2} = 4\pi \times 10^4 \frac{\text{rad}}{\text{s}}$$

Thus, the approximate bandwidth of the cascade amplifier is  $4\pi \times 10^4$ , and the gain of the cascade amplifier is  $A_1A_2 = 100 \times 100 = 10^4$ .

Had we attempted to achieve the same gain with a single-stage amplifier having the same  $K$ , we would have achieved a bandwidth of only

$$\omega_3 = \frac{K}{A_3} = \frac{4\pi \times 10^6}{10^4} = 4\pi \times 10^2 \frac{\text{rad}}{\text{s}}$$

**Comments:** In practice, the actual 3-dB bandwidth of the cascade amplifier is not quite as large as that of each of the two stages, because the gain of each amplifier starts decreasing at frequencies somewhat lower than the nominal cutoff frequency.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

In Example 8.12, we implicitly assumed that the gain of each amplifier was constant for frequencies up to the cutoff frequency. This is, in practice, not true, since the individual op-amp closed-loop gain starts dropping below the DC gain value according to the equation

$$A(j\omega) = \frac{A_1}{1 + j\omega/\omega_1}$$

Thus, the calculations carried out in the example are only approximate. Find an expression for the closed-loop gain of the cascade amplifier. (*Hint:* The combined gain is equal to the product of the individual closed-loop gains.) What is the actual gain in decibels at the cutoff frequency  $\omega_0$  for the cascade amplifier?

What is the 3-dB bandwidth of the cascade amplifier of Example 8.12? (*Hint:* The gain of the cascade amplifier is the product of the individual op-amp frequency responses. Compute the magnitude of this product, set the magnitude of the product of the individual frequency responses equal to  $(1/\sqrt{2}) \times 10,000$ , and then solve for  $\omega$ .)

Answers: 74 dB;  $\omega_3 \text{ dB} = 2\pi \times 12,800 \text{ rad/s}$

## Input Offset Voltage



Another limitation of practical op-amps results because even in the absence of any external inputs, it is possible that an **offset voltage** will be present at the input of an op-amp. This voltage is usually denoted by  $\pm V_{os}$ , and it is caused by mismatches in the internal circuitry of the op-amp. The offset voltage appears as a differential input voltage between the inverting and noninverting input terminals. The presence of an additional input voltage will cause a DC bias error in the amplifier output, as illustrated in Example 8.13. Typical and maximum values of  $V_{os}$  are quoted in manufacturers' data sheets. The worst-case effects due to the presence of offset voltages can therefore be predicted for any given application.



### EXAMPLE 8.13 Effect of Input Offset Voltage on an Amplifier

#### Problem

Determine the effect of the input offset voltage  $V_{os}$  on the output of the amplifier of Figure 8.40.

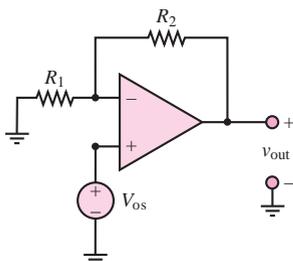
#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Nominal closed-loop voltage gain; input offset voltage.

**Find:** The offset voltage component in the output voltage  $v_{out,os}$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $A_{nom} = 100$ ;  $V_{os} = 1.5 \text{ mV}$ .

**Assumptions:** Assume an input offset voltage-limited (otherwise ideal) op-amp.



**Figure 8.40** Op-amp input offset voltage

**Analysis:** The amplifier is connected in a noninverting configuration; thus its gain is

$$A_{V_{\text{nom}}} = 100 = 1 + \frac{R_F}{R_S}$$

The DC offset voltage, represented by an ideal voltage source, is represented as being directly applied to the noninverting input; thus

$$V_{\text{out,os}} = A_{V_{\text{nom}}} V_{\text{os}} = 100 V_{\text{os}} = 150 \text{ mV}$$

Thus, we should expect the output of the amplifier to be shifted upward by 150 mV.

**Comments:** The input offset voltage is not, of course, an external source, but it represents a voltage offset between the inputs of the op-amp. Figure 8.43 depicts how such an offset can be zeroed.

The worst-case offset voltage is usually listed in the device data sheets (**see the data sheets on the website for an illustration**). Typical values are 2 mV for the 741c general-purpose op-amp and 5 mV for the FET-input TLO81.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

What is the maximum gain that can be accepted in the op-amp circuit of Example 8.13 if the offset is not to exceed 50 mV?

Answer:  $A_{V_{\text{max}}} = 33.3$

## Input Bias Currents

Another nonideal characteristic of op-amps results from the presence of small input bias currents at the inverting and noninverting terminals. Once again, these are due to the internal construction of the input stage of an operational amplifier. Figure 8.41 illustrates the presence of nonzero input bias currents  $I_B$  going into an op-amp.

Typical values of  $I_B$  depend on the semiconductor technology employed in the construction of the op-amp. Op-amps with bipolar transistor input stages may see input bias currents as large as 1  $\mu\text{A}$ , while for FET input devices, the input bias currents are less than 1 nA. Since these currents depend on the internal design of the op-amp, they are not necessarily equal.

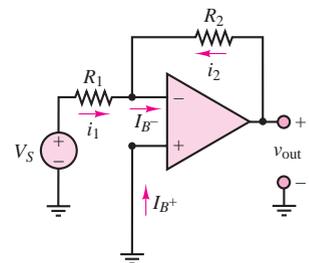


Figure 8.41

One often designates the **input offset current**  $I_{\text{os}}$  as

$$I_{\text{os}} = I_{B^+} - I_{B^-}$$

(8.74)



The latter parameter is sometimes more convenient from the standpoint of analysis. Example 8.14 illustrates the effect of the nonzero input bias current on a practical amplifier design.



### EXAMPLE 8.14 Effect of Input Offset Current on an Amplifier

#### Problem

Determine the effect of the input offset current  $I_{os}$  on the output of the amplifier of Figure 8.42.

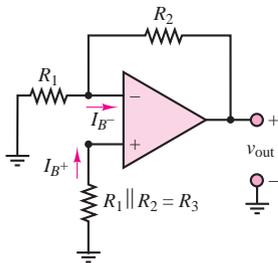


Figure 8.42

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Resistor values; input offset current.

**Find:** The offset voltage component in the output voltage  $v_{out,os}$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $I_{os} = 1 \mu\text{A}$ ;  $R_2 = 10 \text{ k}\Omega$ .

**Assumptions:** Assume an input offset current–limited (otherwise ideal) op-amp.

**Analysis:** We calculate the inverting and noninverting terminal voltages caused by the offset current in the absence of an external input:

$$v^+ = R_3 I_{B^+} \quad v^- = v^+ = R_3 I_{B^+}$$

With these values we can apply KCL at the inverting node and write

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{v_{out} - v^-}{R_2} - \frac{v^+}{R_1} &= I_{B^-} \\ \frac{v_{out}}{R_2} - \frac{-R_3 I_{B^+}}{R_2} - \frac{-R_3 I_{B^+}}{R_1} &= I_{B^-} \\ v_{out} &= R_2 \left[ -I_{B^-} R_3 \left( \frac{1}{R_2} + \frac{1}{R_1} \right) + I_{B^-} \right] = -R_2 I_{os} \end{aligned}$$

Thus, we should expect the output of the amplifier to be shifted downward by  $R_2 I_{os}$ , or  $10^4 \times 10^{-6} = 10 \text{ mV}$  for the data given in this example.

**Comments:** Usually, the worst-case input offset currents (or input bias currents) are listed in the device data sheets. Values can range from 100 pA (for CMOS op-amps, for example, LMC6061) to around 200 nA for a low-cost general-purpose amplifier (for example,  $\mu\text{A}741\text{c}$ ).

### Output Offset Adjustment

Both the offset voltage and the input offset current contribute to an output offset voltage  $V_{out,os}$ . Some op-amps provide a means for minimizing  $V_{out,os}$ . For example, the  $\mu\text{A}741$  op-amp provides a connection for this procedure. Figure 8.43 shows a typical pin configuration for an op-amp in an eight-pin dual-in-line package (DIP) and the circuit used for nulling the output offset voltage. The variable resistor is adjusted until  $v_{out}$  reaches a minimum (ideally, 0 V). Nulling the output voltage in this manner removes the effect of both input offset voltage and current on the output.

### Slew Rate Limit

Another important restriction in the performance of a practical op-amp is associated with rapid changes in voltage. The op-amp can produce only a finite rate of change at its output. This limit rate is called the **slew rate**. Consider an ideal step input, where at  $t = 0$  the input voltage is switched from 0 to  $V$  volts. Then we would expect the output to switch from 0 to  $AV$  volts, where  $A$  is the amplifier gain. However,  $v_{out}(t)$  can change at only a finite rate; thus,

$$\left| \frac{dv_{out}(t)}{dt} \right|_{\max} = S_0 \quad \text{Slew rate limitation} \quad (8.75)$$



Figure 8.44 shows the response of an op-amp to an ideal step change in input voltage. Here,  $S_0$ , the slope of  $v_{out}(t)$ , represents the slew rate.

The slew rate limitation can affect sinusoidal signals, as well as signals that display abrupt changes, as does the step voltage of Figure 8.44. This may not be obvious until we examine the sinusoidal response more closely. It should be apparent that the maximum rate of change for a sinusoid occurs at the zero crossing, as shown by Figure 8.45. To evaluate the slope of the waveform at the zero crossing, let

$$v(t) = A \sin \omega t \quad (8.76)$$

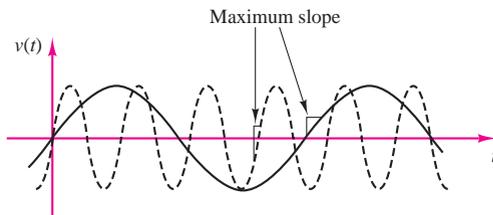
so that

$$\frac{dv(t)}{dt} = \omega A \cos \omega t \quad (8.77)$$

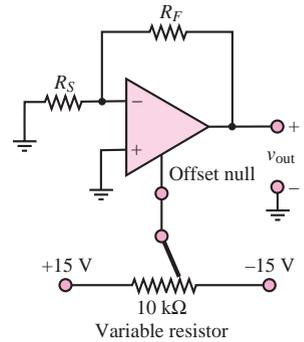
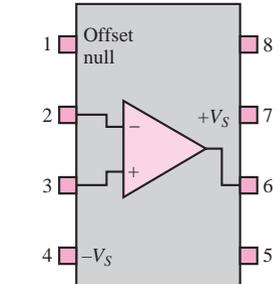
The maximum slope of the sinusoidal signal will therefore occur at  $\omega t = 0, \pi, 2\pi, \dots$ , so that

$$\left| \frac{dv(t)}{dt} \right|_{\max} = \omega \times A = S_0 \quad (8.78)$$

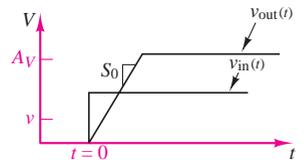
Thus, the maximum slope of a sinusoid is proportional to both the signal frequency and the amplitude. The curve shown by a dashed line in Figure 8.45 should indicate that as  $\omega$  increases, so does the slope of  $v(t)$  at the zero crossings. What is the direct consequence of this result, then? Example 8.15 gives an illustration of the effects of this slew rate limit.



**Figure 8.45** The maximum slope of a sinusoidal signal varies with the signal frequency



**Figure 8.43** Output offset voltage adjustment



**Figure 8.44** Slew rate limit in op-amps

**EXAMPLE 8.15 Effect of Slew Rate Limit on an Amplifier**



**Problem**

Determine the effect of the slew rate limit  $S_0$  on the output of an inverting amplifier for a sinusoidal input voltage of known amplitude and frequency.

**Solution**

**Known Quantities:** Slew rate limit  $S_0$ ; amplitude and frequency of sinusoidal input voltage; amplifier closed-loop gain.

**Find:** Sketch the theoretically correct output and the actual output of the amplifier in the same graph.

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $S_0 = 1 \text{ V}/\mu\text{s}$ ;  $v_S(t) = \sin(2\pi \times 10^5 t)$ ;  $A_V = 10$ .

**Assumptions:** Assume a slew rate–limited (otherwise ideal) op-amp.

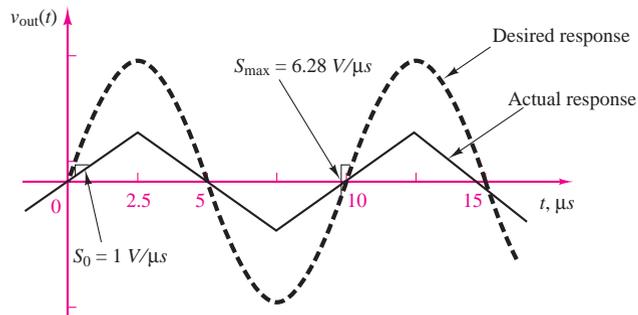
**Analysis:** Given the closed-loop voltage gain of 10, we compute the theoretical output voltage to be

$$v_{\text{out}}(t) = -10 \sin(2\pi \times 10^5 t)$$

The maximum slope of the output voltage is then computed as follows:

$$\left. \frac{dv_{\text{out}}(t)}{dt} \right|_{\text{max}} = A\omega = 10 \times 2\pi \times 10^5 = 6.28 \frac{\text{V}}{\mu\text{s}}$$

Clearly, the value calculated above far exceeds the slew rate limit. Figure 8.46 depicts the approximate appearance of the waveforms that one would measure in an experiment.



**Figure 8.46** Distortion introduced by slew rate limit

**Comments:** Note that in this example the slew rate limit has been exceeded severely, and the output waveform is visibly distorted, to the point that it has effectively become a triangular wave. The effect of the slew rate limit is not always necessarily so dramatic and visible; thus one needs to pay attention to the specifications of a given op-amp. The slew rate limit is listed in the device data sheets. Typical values can range from  $13 \text{ V}/\mu\text{s}$ , for the TLO81, to around  $0.5 \text{ V}/\mu\text{s}$  for a low-cost general-purpose amplifier (for example,  $\mu\text{A}741\text{c}$ ).

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Given the desired peak output amplitude (10 V), what is the maximum frequency that will not result in violating the slew rate limit for the op-amp of Example 8.15?

Answer:  $f_{\text{max}} = 15.9 \text{ kHz}$

## Short-Circuit Output Current

Recall the model for the op-amp introduced in Section 8.2, which represented the internal circuits of the op-amp in terms of an equivalent input resistance  $R_{\text{in}}$  and a

controlled voltage source  $A_V v_{in}$ . In practice, the internal source is not ideal, because it cannot provide an infinite amount of current (to the load, to the feedback connection, or to both). The immediate consequence of this nonideal op-amp characteristic is that the maximum output current of the amplifier is limited by the so-called short-circuit output current  $I_{SC}$ :



$$|I_{out}| < I_{SC} \quad \text{Short-circuit output current limitation} \quad (8.79)$$

To further explain this point, consider that the op-amp needs to provide current to the feedback path (in order to “zero” the voltage differential at the input) and to whatever load resistance,  $R_L$ , may be connected to the output. Figure 8.47 illustrates this idea for the case of an inverting amplifier, where  $I_{SC}$  is the load current that would be provided to a short-circuit load ( $R_L = 0$ ).

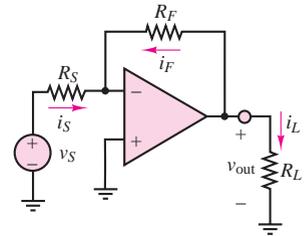


Figure 8.47

### EXAMPLE 8.16 Effect of Short-Circuit Current Limit on an Amplifier



#### Problem

Determine the effect of the short-circuit limit  $I_{SC}$  on the output of an inverting amplifier for a sinusoidal input voltage of known amplitude.

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Short-circuit current limit  $I_{SC}$ ; amplitude of sinusoidal input voltage; amplifier closed-loop gain.

**Find:** Compute the maximum allowable load resistance value  $R_{L \min}$ , and sketch the theoretical and actual output voltage waveforms for resistances smaller than  $R_{L \min}$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $I_{SC} = 50 \text{ mA}$ ;  $v_S(t) = 0.05 \sin(\omega t)$ ;  $A_V = 100$ .

**Assumptions:** Assume a short-circuit current–limited (otherwise ideal) op-amp.

**Analysis:** Given the closed-loop voltage gain of 100, we compute the theoretical output voltage to be

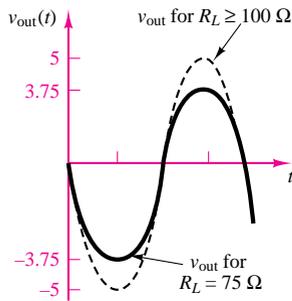
$$v_{out}(t) = -A_V v_S(t) = -5 \sin(\omega t)$$

To assess the effect of the short-circuit current limit, we calculate the peak value of the output voltage, since this is the condition that will require the maximum output current from the op-amp:

$$v_{out \text{ peak}} = 5 \text{ V}$$

$$I_{SC} = 50 \text{ mA}$$

$$R_{L \min} = \frac{v_{out \text{ peak}}}{I_{SC}} = \frac{5 \text{ V}}{50 \text{ mA}} = 100 \Omega$$



**Figure 8.48** Distortion introduced by short-circuit current limit

For any load resistance less than  $100\ \Omega$ , the required load current will be greater than  $I_{SC}$ . For example, if we chose a  $75\text{-}\Omega$  load resistor, we would find that

$$v_{\text{out peak}} = I_{SC} \times R_L = 3.75\ \text{V}$$

That is, the output voltage cannot reach the theoretically correct 5-V peak, and would be “compressed” to reach a peak voltage of only 3.75 V. This effect is depicted in Figure 8.48.

**Comments:** The short-circuit current limit is listed in the device data sheets. Typical values for a low-cost general-purpose amplifier (say, the 741c) are in the tens of milliamperes.

### Common-Mode Rejection Ratio (CMRR)

If we define  $A_{dm}$  as the **differential-mode gain** and  $A_{cm}$  as the **common-mode gain** of the op-amp, the output of an op-amp can then be expressed as follows:



$$v_{\text{out}} = A_{dm}(v_2 - v_1) + A_{cm} \left( \frac{v_2 + v_1}{2} \right) \quad (8.80)$$

Under ideal conditions,  $A_{cm}$  should be exactly zero, since the differential amplifier should completely reject common-mode signals. The departure from this ideal condition is a figure of merit for a differential amplifier and is measured by defining a quantity called the **common-mode rejection ratio (CMRR)**. The CMRR is defined as the ratio of the differential-mode gain to the common-mode gain and should ideally be infinite:



$$\text{CMRR} = \frac{A_{dm}}{A_{cm}} \quad \text{Common-mode rejection ratio}$$

The CMRR is often expressed in units of decibels (dB). The common-mode rejection ratio idea is explored further in the problems at the end of the chapter.

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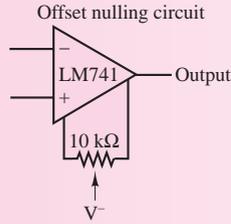


### Using Op-Amp Data Sheets—Comparison of LM741 and LMC6061

In this box we compare the LM741 and the LMC6061 op-amps that were introduced in an earlier Focus on Methodology box. Excerpts from the data sheets are shown below, with some words of explanation. You are encouraged to identify the information given below in the sheets that may be found on the Web.

**LM741 Electrical Characteristics**—An abridged version of the electrical characteristics of the LM741 is shown next.

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### Electrical Characteristics

Parameter	Conditions	LM741A/LM741E			LM741			LM741C			Units
		Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	
Input offset voltage	$T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$ $R_S \leq 10\text{ k}\Omega$ $R_S \leq 50\ \Omega$		0.8	3.0		1.0	5.0		2.0	6.0	mV mV
	$T_{A\text{MIN}} \leq T_A \leq T_{A\text{MAX}}$ $R_S \leq 50\ \Omega$ $R_S \leq 10\text{ k}\Omega$			4.0			6.0			7.5	mV mV
Average input offset voltage drift				15							$\mu\text{V}/^\circ\text{C}$
Input offset voltage adjustment range	$T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$ , $V_S = \pm 20\text{ V}$	$\pm 10$				$\pm 15$			$\pm 15$		mV
Input offset current	$T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$		3.0	30		20	200		20	200	nA
	$T_{A\text{MIN}} \leq T_A \leq T_{A\text{MAX}}$			70		85	500			300	nA
Average input offset current drift				0.5							$\text{nA}/^\circ\text{C}$
Input bias current	$T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$		30	80		80	500		80	500	nA
	$T_{A\text{MIN}} \leq T_A \leq T_{A\text{MAX}}$			0.210			1.5			0.8	$\mu\text{A}$
Input resistance	$T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$ , $V_S = \pm 20\text{ V}$	1.0	6.0		0.3	2.0		0.3	2.0		$\text{M}\Omega$
	$T_{A\text{MIN}} \leq T_A \leq T_{A\text{MAX}}$ $V_S = \pm 20\text{ V}$	0.5									$\text{M}\Omega$
Input voltage range	$T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$							$\pm 12$	$\pm 13$		V
	$T_{A\text{MIN}} \leq T_A \leq T_{A\text{MAX}}$				$\pm 12$	$\pm 13$					V
Large-signal voltage gain	$T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$ , $R_L \geq 2\text{ k}\Omega$ $V_S = \pm 20\text{ V}$ , $V_O = \pm 15\text{ V}$ $V_S = \pm 15\text{ V}$ , $V_O = \pm 10\text{ V}$	50			50	200		20	200		V/mV V/mV
	$T_{A\text{MIN}} \leq T_A \leq T_{A\text{MAX}}$ $R_L \geq 2\text{ k}\Omega$ $V_S = \pm 20\text{ V}$ , $V_O = \pm 15\text{ V}$ $V_S = \pm 15\text{ V}$ , $V_O = \pm 10\text{ V}$	32			25			15			V/mV V/mV
	$V_S = \pm 5\text{ V}$ , $V_O = \pm 2\text{ V}$	10									V/mV
Output voltage swing	$V_S = \pm 20\text{ V}$ $R_L \geq 10\text{ k}\Omega$ $R_L \geq 2\text{ k}\Omega$	$\pm 16$ $\pm 15$									V V
	$V_S = \pm 15\text{ V}$ $R_L \geq 10\text{ k}\Omega$ $R_L \geq 2\text{ k}\Omega$				$\pm 12$ $\pm 10$	$\pm 14$ $\pm 13$		$\pm 12$ $\pm 10$	$\pm 14$ $\pm 13$		V V

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## Electrical Characteristics

Parameter	Conditions	LM741A/LM741E			LM741			LM741C			Units
		Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	
Output short-circuit current	$T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$ $T_{A\text{MIN}} \leq T_A \leq T_{A\text{MAX}}$	10 10	25	35 40		25			25		mA mA
Common-mode rejection ratio	$T_{A\text{MIN}} \leq T_A \leq T_{A\text{MAX}}$ $R_S \leq 10\text{ k}\Omega$ , $V_{\text{CM}} = \pm 12\text{ V}$ $R_S \leq 50\ \Omega$ , $V_{\text{CM}} = \pm 12\text{ V}$	80	95		70	90		70	90		dB dB
Supply voltage rejection ratio	$T_{A\text{MIN}} \leq T_A \leq T_{A\text{MAX}}$ $V_S = \pm 20\text{ V}$ to $V_S = \pm 5\text{ V}$ $R_S \leq 50\ \Omega$ $R_S \leq 10\text{ k}\Omega$	86	96	77	96		77	96			dB dB
Transient response rise time overshoot	$T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$ , unity gain		0.25 6.0	0.8 20		0.3 5			0.3 5		$\mu\text{s}$ %
Bandwidth	$T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$	0.437	1.5								MHz
Slew rate	$T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$ , unity gain	0.3	0.7			0.5			0.5		V/ $\mu\text{s}$
Supply current	$T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$					1.7	2.8		1.7	2.8	mA
Power consumption	$T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$ $V_S = \pm 20\text{ V}$ $V_S = \pm 15\text{ V}$		80	150		50	85		50	85	mW mW
LM741A	$V_S = \pm 20\text{ V}$ $T_A = T_{A\text{MIN}}$ $T_A = T_{A\text{MAX}}$			165 135							mW mW
LM741E	$V_S = \pm 20\text{ V}$ $T_A = T_{A\text{MIN}}$ $T_A = T_{A\text{MAX}}$			150 150							mW mW
LM741	$V_S = \pm 15\text{ V}$ $T_A = T_{A\text{MIN}}$ $T_A = T_{A\text{MAX}}$					60 45	100 75				mW mW

**LMC6061 Electrical Characteristics**—An abridged version of the electrical characteristics of the LMC6061 is shown below.

## DC Electrical Characteristics

Unless otherwise specified, all limits guaranteed for  $T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$ . **Boldface** limits apply at the temperature extremes.  $V^+ = 5\text{ V}$ ,  $V^- = 0\text{ V}$ ,  $V_{\text{CM}} = 1.5\text{ V}$ ,  $V_O = 2.5\text{ V}$ , and  $R_L > 1\text{ M}\Omega$  unless otherwise specified.

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Typ	LMC6061AM Limit	LMC6061AI Limit	LMC6061I Limit	Units
$V_{\text{OS}}$	Input offset voltage		100	350 <b>1,200</b>	350 <b>900</b>	800 <b>1,300</b>	$\mu\text{V}$ Max
$TCV_{\text{OS}}$	Input offset voltage average drift		1.0				$\mu\text{V}/^\circ\text{C}$

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## DC Electrical Characteristics

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Typ	LMC6061AM Limit	LMC6061AI Limit	LMC6061I Limit	Units	
$I_B$	Input bias current		0.010	<b>100</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	pA Max	
$I_{OS}$	Input offset current		0.005	<b>100</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	pA Max	
$R_{IN}$	Input resistance		>10				Tera $\Omega$	
CMRR	Common-mode rejection ratio	$0\text{ V} \leq V_{CM} \leq 12.0\text{ V}$ $V^+ = 15\text{ V}$	85	75 <b>70</b>	75 <b>72</b>	66 <b>63</b>	dB Min	
+PSRR	Positive power supply rejection ratio	$5\text{ V} \leq V^+ \leq 15\text{ V}$ $V_O = 2.5\text{ V}$	85	75 <b>70</b>	75 <b>72</b>	66 <b>63</b>	dB Min	
-PSRR	Negative power supply rejection ratio	$0\text{ V} \leq V^- \leq -10\text{ V}$	100	84 <b>70</b>	84 <b>81</b>	74 <b>71</b>	dB Min	
$V_{CM}$	Input common-mode voltage range	$V^+ = 5\text{ V}$ and $15\text{ V}$ for $\text{CMRR} \geq 60\text{ dB}$	-0.4	-0.1 <b>0</b>	-0.1 <b>0</b>	-0.1 <b>0</b>	V Max	
			$V^+ - 1.9$	$V^+ - 2.3$ <b><math>V^+ - 2.6</math></b>	$V^+ - 2.3$ <b><math>V^+ - 2.5</math></b>	$V^+ - 2.3$ <b><math>V^+ - 2.5</math></b>	V Min	
$A_V$	Large-signal voltage gain	$R_L = 100\text{ k}\Omega$	Sourcing	4,000	400 <b>200</b>	400 <b>300</b>	300 <b>200</b>	V/mV Min
			Sinking	3,000	180 <b>70</b>	180 <b>100</b>	90 <b>60</b>	V/mV Min
		$R_L = 25\text{ k}\Omega$	Sourcing	3,000	400 <b>150</b>	400 <b>150</b>	200 <b>80</b>	V/mV Min
			Sinking	2,000	100 <b>35</b>	100 <b>50</b>	70 <b>35</b>	V/mV Min
$V_O$	Output swing	$V^+ = 5\text{ V}$ $R_L = 100\text{ k}\Omega$ to $2.5\text{ V}$	4.995	4.990 <b>4.970</b>	4.990 <b>4.980</b>	4.950 <b>4.925</b>	V Min	
			0.005	0.010 <b>0.030</b>	0.010 <b>0.020</b>	0.050 <b>0.075</b>	V Max	
		$V^+ = 5\text{ V}$ $R_L = 25\text{ k}\Omega$ to $2.5\text{ V}$	4.990	4.975 <b>4.955</b>	4.975 <b>4.965</b>	4.950 <b>4.850</b>	V Min	
			0.010	0.020 <b>0.045</b>	0.020 <b>0.035</b>	0.050 <b>0.150</b>	V Max	
		$V^+ = 15\text{ V}$ $R_L = 100\text{ k}\Omega$ to $7.5\text{ V}$	14.990	14.975 <b>14.955</b>	14.975 <b>14.965</b>	14.950 <b>14.925</b>	V Min	
			0.010	0.025 <b>0.050</b>	0.025 <b>0.035</b>	0.050 <b>0.075</b>	V Max	
		$V^+ = 15\text{ V}$ $R_L = 25\text{ k}\Omega$ to $7.5\text{ V}$	14.965	14.900 <b>14.800</b>	14.900 <b>14.850</b>	14.850 <b>14.800</b>	V Min	
			0.025	0.050 <b>0.200</b>	0.050 <b>0.150</b>	0.100 <b>0.200</b>	V Max	

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## DC Electrical Characteristics

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Typ	LMC6061AM Limit	LMC6061AI Limit	LMC6061I Limit	Units
$I_O$	Output current $V^+ = 5\text{ V}$	Sourcing, $V_O = 0\text{ V}$	22	16 <b>8</b>	16 <b>10</b>	13 <b>8</b>	mA Min
		Sinking, $V_O = 5\text{ V}$	21	16 <b>7</b>	16 <b>8</b>	16 <b>8</b>	mA Min
$I_O$	Output current $V^+ = 15\text{ V}$	Sourcing, $V_O = 0\text{ V}$	25	15 <b>9</b>	15 <b>10</b>	15 <b>10</b>	mA Min
		Sinking, $V_O = 13\text{ V}$	35	24 <b>7</b>	24 <b>8</b>	24 <b>8</b>	mA Min
$I_S$	Supply current	$V^+ = +5\text{ V}$ , $V_O = 1.5\text{ V}$	20	24 <b>35</b>	24 <b>32</b>	32 <b>40</b>	mA Max
		$V^+ = +15\text{ V}$ , $V_O = 7.5\text{ V}$	24	30 <b>40</b>	30 <b>38</b>	40 <b>48</b>	$\mu\text{A}$ Max

## AC Electrical Characteristics

Unless otherwise specified, all limits guaranteed for  $T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$ . **Boldface** limits apply at the temperature extremes.  $V^+ = 5\text{ V}$ ,  $V^- = 0\text{ V}$ ,  $V_{\text{CM}} = 1.5\text{ V}$ ,  $V_O = 2.5\text{ V}$ , and  $R_L > 1\text{ M}\Omega$  unless otherwise specified.

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Typ	LMC6061AM Limit	LMC6061AI Limit	LMC6061I Limit	Units
SR	Slew rate		35	20 <b>8</b>	20 <b>10</b>	15 <b>7</b>	V/ms Min
GBW	Gain-bandwidth product		100				kHz
$\theta_m$	Phase margin		50				Deg
$e_n$	Input-referred voltage noise	$F = 1\text{ kHz}$	83				$\text{nV}/\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$
$i_n$	Input-referred current noise	$F = 1\text{ kHz}$	0.0002				$\text{pA}/\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$
THD	Total harmonic distortion	$F = 1\text{ kHz}$ , $A_V = -5$ $R_L = 100\text{ k}\Omega$ , $V_O = 2V_{\text{PP}}$ $\pm 5\text{-V}$ supply	0.01				% %

## Comparison:

**Input offset voltage**—Note that the typical input offset voltage in the 6061 is only  $100\ \mu\text{V}$ , versus  $0.8\text{ mV}$  in the 741.

**Input offset voltage adjustments**—The recommended circuit is shown for the 741, and a range of  $\pm 15\text{ mV}$  is given. The 6061 does not require offset voltage adjustment.

**Input offset current**—The 741 sheet reports a typical value of  $3\text{ nA}$  ( $3 \times 10^{-9}\text{ A}$ ); the corresponding value for the 6061 is  $0.005\text{ pA}$  ( $5 \times 10^{-15}\text{ A}$ )! This extremely low value is due to the MOS construction of the amplifier.

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**Input resistance**—The specifications related to input offset current are mirrored by the input resistance specifications. The 741 has a respectable typical input resistance of  $6\text{ M}\Omega$ ; the 6061 has an input resistance greater than  $10\text{ T}\Omega$  ( $1\text{ teraohm} = 10^{12}\ \Omega$ ). Once again, this is the result of MOS construction.

**Large-signal voltage gain**—The 741 lists a typical value of  $50\text{ V/mV}$  (or  $5 \times 10^4$ ) for its open-loop voltage gain; the 6061 lists values greater than or equal to  $2,000\text{ V/mV}$  (or  $2 \times 10^6$ ).

**CMRR**—The typical common-mode rejection ratio is  $95\text{ dB}$  for the 741 and  $85\text{ dB}$  for the 6061.

**Slew rate**— $0.7\text{ V}/\mu\text{s}$  for the 741 and  $35\text{ V/ms}$  for the 6061.

**Bandwidth**—The bandwidth for the 741 is listed as  $1.5\text{ MHz}$  (this would be the unity gain bandwidth), while the 6061 lists a  $100\text{-kHz}$  gain-bandwidth product.

**Output short-circuit current**— $25\text{ mA}$  for both devices.

Note that while the LMC6061 is certainly superior to the LM741 op-amp in a number of categories, there are certain features (e.g., bandwidth and slew rate) that might cause a designer to prefer the 741 for a specific application.

Manufacturers generally supply values for the parameters discussed in this section in their device data specifications. Typical data sheets for common op-amps may be found on the website.

## Conclusion

Operational amplifiers constitute the single most important building block in analog electronics. The contents of this chapter will be frequently referenced in later sections of this book. Upon completing this chapter, you should have mastered the following learning objectives:

1. *Understand the properties of ideal amplifiers and the concepts of gain, input impedance, and output impedance.* Ideal amplifiers represent fundamental building blocks of electronic instrumentation. With the concept of an ideal amplifier clearly established, one can design practical amplifiers, filters, integrators, and many other signal processing circuits. A practical op-amp closely approximates the characteristics of ideal amplifiers.
2. *Understand the difference between open-loop and closed-loop op-amp configuration; and compute the gain (or complete the design of) simple inverting, noninverting, summing, and differential amplifiers using ideal op-amp analysis. Analyze more advanced op-amp circuits, using ideal op-amp analysis, and identify important performance parameters in op-amp data sheets.* Analysis of op-amp circuits is made easy by a few simplifying assumptions, which are based on the op-amp having a very large input resistance, a very small output resistance, and a large open-loop gain. The simple inverting and noninverting amplifier configurations permit the design of very useful circuits simply by appropriately selecting and placing a few resistors.
3. *Analyze and design simple active filters.* The use of capacitors in op-amp circuits extends the applications of this useful element to include filtering.
4. *Understand the principal physical limitations of an op-amp.* It is important to understand that there are limitations in the performance of op-amp circuits that are not predicted by the simple op-amp models presented in the early sections of the chapter. In practical designs, issues related to voltage supply limits, bandwidth limits, offsets, slew rate limits, and output current limits are very important if one is to achieve the design performance of an op-amp circuit.

## HOMEWORK PROBLEMS

### Section 8.1: Ideal Amplifiers

**8.1** The circuit shown in Figure P8.1 has a signal source, two stages of amplification, and a load. Determine, in decibels, the power gain  $G = P_o/P_s = V_o I_o/V_S I_S$ , where

$$\begin{aligned} R_s &= 0.6 \text{ k}\Omega & R_L &= 0.6 \text{ k}\Omega \\ R_{i1} &= 3 \text{ k}\Omega & R_{i2} &= 3 \text{ k}\Omega \\ R_{o1} &= 2 \text{ k}\Omega & R_{o2} &&= 2 \text{ k}\Omega \\ A_{V(\text{OL})} &= 100 & G_{m2} &= 350 \text{ mS} \end{aligned}$$

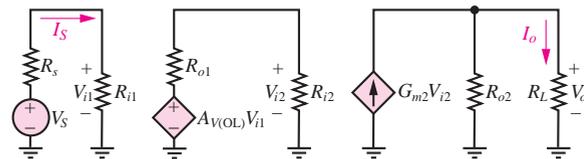


Figure P8.1

**8.2** A temperature sensor in a production line under normal operating conditions produces a no-load (i.e., sensor current = 0) voltage:

$$\begin{aligned} v_s &= V_{s0} \cos(\omega t) & R_s &= 400 \Omega \\ V_{s0} &= 500 \text{ mV} & \omega &= 6.28 \text{ krad/s} \end{aligned}$$

The temperature is monitored on a display (the load) with a vertical line of light-emitting diodes. Normal conditions are indicated when a string of the bottommost diodes 2 cm in length is on. This requires that a voltage be supplied to the display input terminals where

$$R_L = 12 \text{ k}\Omega \quad v_o = V_o \cos(\omega t) \quad V_o = 6 \text{ V}$$

The signal from the sensor must be amplified. Therefore, a voltage amplifier, shown in Figure P8.2, is connected between the sensor and CRT with

$$R_i = 2 \text{ k}\Omega \quad R_o = 3 \text{ k}\Omega$$

Determine the required no-load gain of the amplifier.

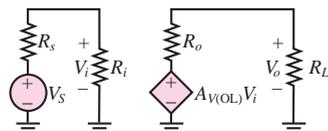


Figure P8.2

**8.3** What approximations are usually made about the voltages and currents shown in Figure P8.3 for the ideal operational amplifier model?

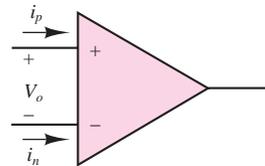


Figure P8.3

**8.4** What approximations are usually made about the circuit components and parameters shown in Figure P8.4 for the ideal op-amp model?

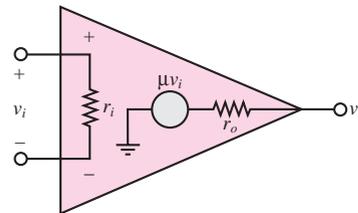


Figure P8.4

### Section 8.2: The Operational Amplifier

**8.5** Find  $v_1$  in the circuits of Figure P8.5(a) and (b). Note how in the circuit of Figure P8.5(b) the op-amp voltage follower holds  $v_1$  to the value  $v_g/2$ , while in the circuit of Figure P8.5(a) the 3-k $\Omega$  resistor “loads” the output.

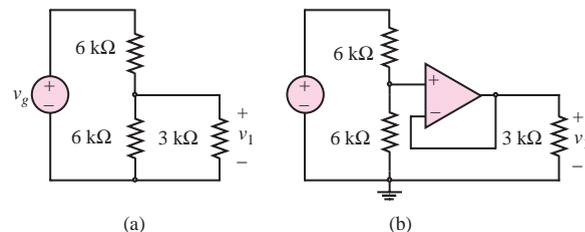
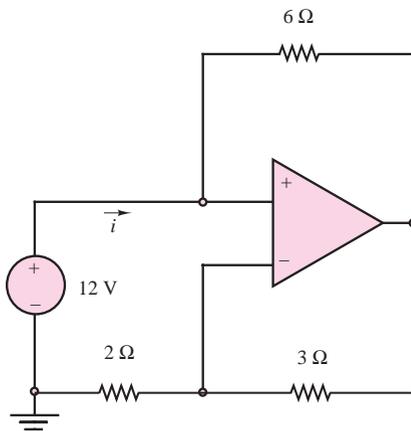


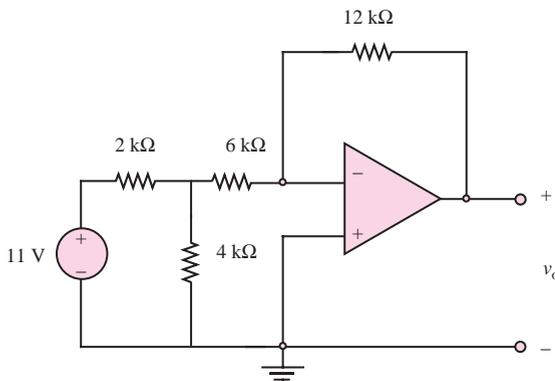
Figure P8.5

**8.6** Find the current  $i$  in the circuit of Figure P8.6.



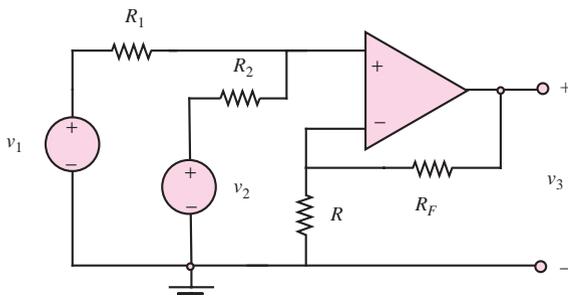
**Figure P8.6**

**8.7** Find the voltage  $v_o$  in the circuit of Figure P8.7.



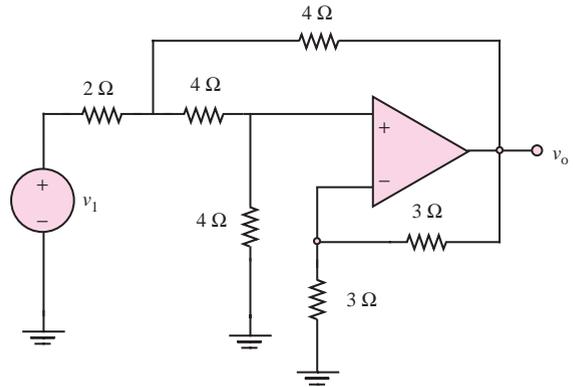
**Figure P8.7**

**8.8** Show that the circuit of Figure P8.8 is a noninverting summing amplifier.



**Figure P8.8**

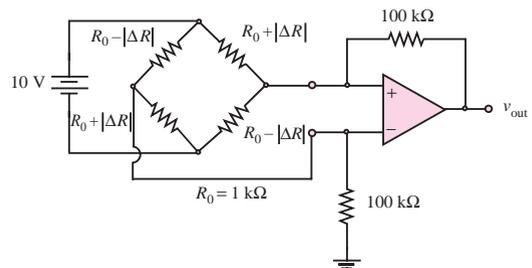
**8.9** Determine an expression for the overall gain  $A_v = v_o/v_i$  for the circuit of Figure P8.9. Find the input conductance,  $G_{in} = i_i/v_i$  seen by the voltage source  $v_i$ . Assume that the op-amp is ideal.



**Figure P8.9**

**8.10** Differential amplifiers are often used in conjunction with Wheatstone bridge circuits. Consider the bridge shown in Figure P8.10, where each resistor is a temperature sensing element, and its change in resistance is directly proportion to a change in temperature—that is,  $\Delta R = \alpha(\pm \Delta T)$ , where the sign is determined by the positive or negative temperature coefficient of the resistive element.

- Find the Thévenin equivalent that the amplifier sees at point  $a$  and at point  $b$ . Assume that  $|\Delta R|^2 \ll R_0$ .
- If  $|\Delta R| = K \Delta T$ , with  $K$  a numerical constant, find an expression for  $v_{out}(\Delta T)$ , that is, for  $v_{out}$  as a function of the change in temperature.



**Figure P8.10**

**8.11** The circuit shown in Figure P8.11 is called a *negative impedance converter*. Determine the impedance looking in:

$$Z_{in} = \frac{V_1}{I_1}, \text{ if}$$

- a.  $Z_L = R$  and if
- b.  $Z_L = \frac{1}{j\omega C}$ .

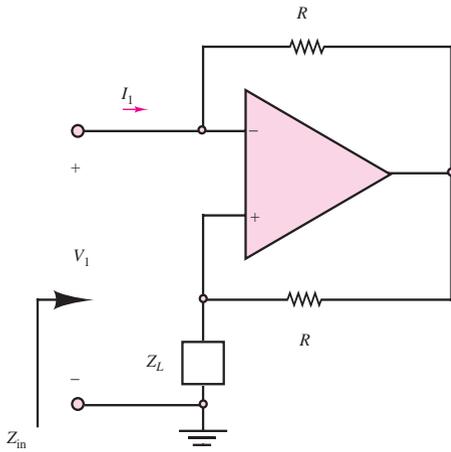


Figure P8.11

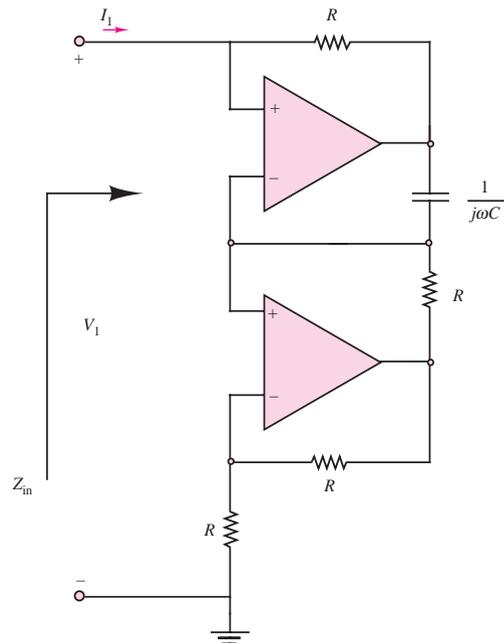


Figure P8.13

**8.12** The circuit of Figure P8.12 demonstrates that op-amp feedback can be used to create a resonant circuit without the use of an inductor. Determine the gain function  $\frac{V_2}{V_1}$ . *Hint:* Use node analysis.

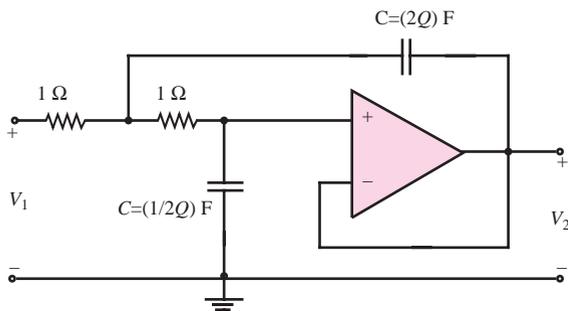


Figure P8.12

**8.13** Inductors are difficult to use as components of integrated circuits due to the need for large coils of wire. As an alternative, a “solid-state inductor” can be constructed as in the circuit of Figure P8.13.

- a. Determine the impedance looking in  $Z_{in} = \frac{V_1}{I_1}$ .
- b. What is the impedance when  $R = 1,000 \Omega$  and  $C = 0.02 \mu\text{F}$ ?

**8.14** In the circuit of Figure P8.14, determine the impedance looking in.

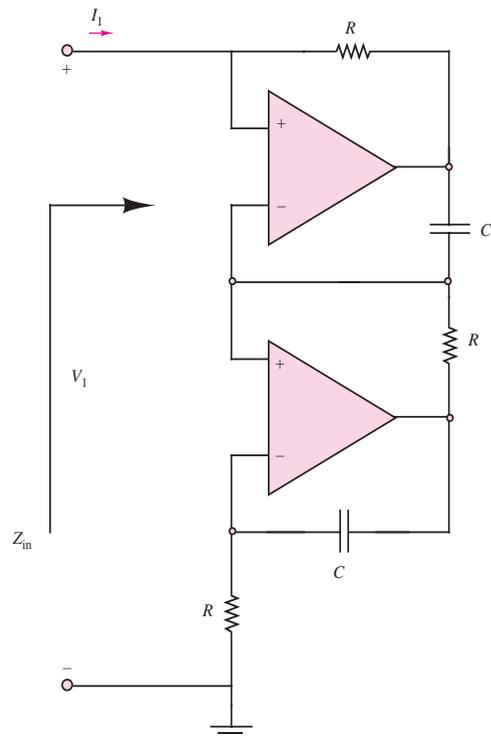
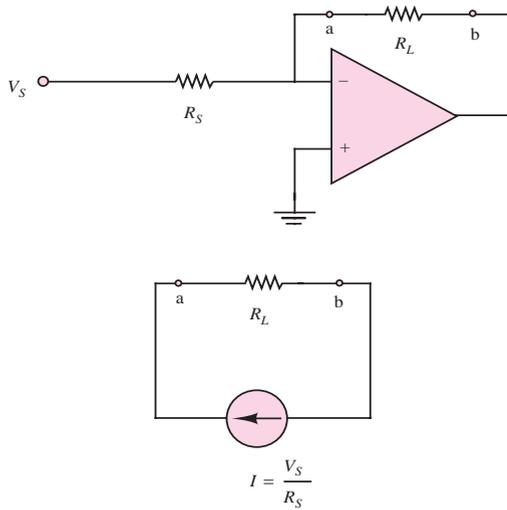


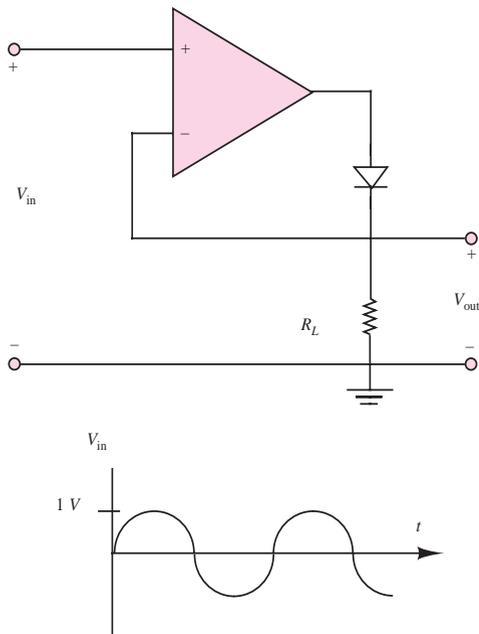
Figure P8.14

**8.15** It is easy to construct a current source using an inverting amplifier configuration. Verify that the current in  $R_L$  is independent of the value of  $R_L$ , assuming that the op-amp stays in its linear operating region, and find the value of this current.



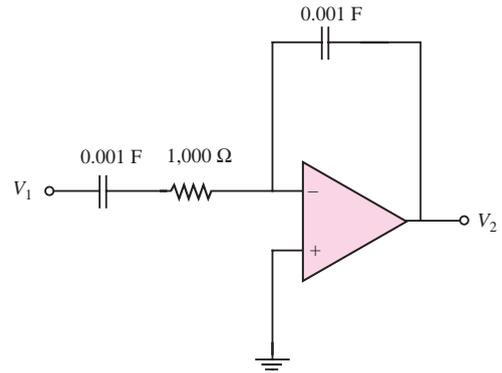
**Figure P8.15**

**8.16** A “super diode” or “precision diode,” which eliminates the diode offset voltage, is shown in Figure P8.16. Determine the output signal for the given input signal,  $V_{in}(t)$ .



**Figure P8.16**

**8.17** Determine the response function  $\frac{V_2}{V_1}$  for the circuit of Figure P8.17.



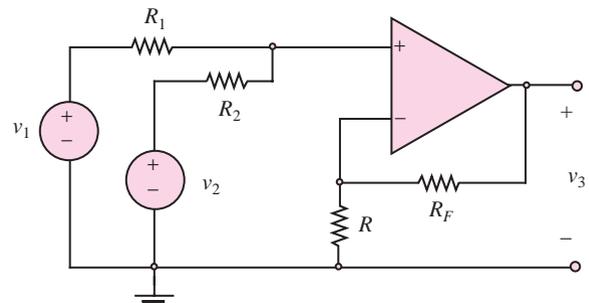
**Figure P8.17**

**8.18** Time delays are often encountered in engineering systems. They can be approximated using Euler’s definition as

$$e^{-sT} = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \left[ \frac{1}{\frac{sT}{N} + 1} \right]^N$$

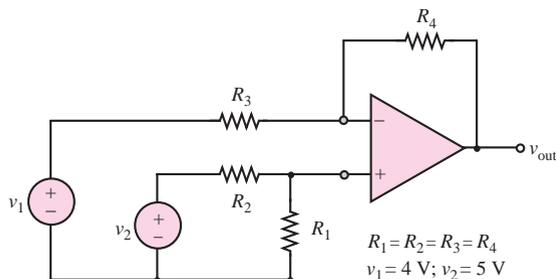
If  $T = 1$ , and  $N = 1$ , then the approximation can be implemented by the circuit of Problem 8.17 (see Figure P8.17), with the addition of a unity gain inverting amplifier to eliminate the negative sign. Modify the circuit of Figure P8.17 as needed and use it as many times as necessary to design an approximate time delay for  $T = 1$  and  $N = 4$  in Euler’s definition of the exponential.

**8.19** Show that the circuit of Figure P8.19 is a noninverting summer.



**Figure P8.19**

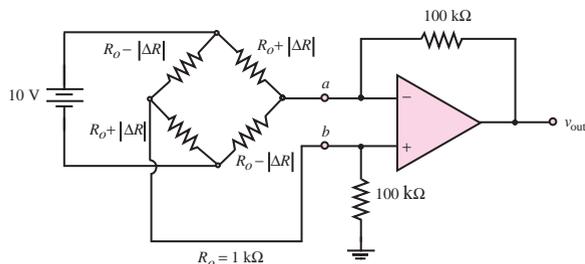
**8.20** For the circuit of Figure P8.20, derive the expression for  $v_{out}$ .



**Figure P8.20**

**8.21** Differential amplifiers are often used in conjunction with the Wheatstone bridge. Consider the bridge shown in Figure P8.21, where each resistor is a temperature-sensing element and the change in resistance is directly proportional to a change in temperature—that is,  $\Delta R = \alpha (\pm \Delta T)$ , where the sign is determined by the positive or negative temperature coefficient of the resistive element.

- Find the Thévenin equivalent that the amplifier sees at point  $a$  and point  $b$ . Assume that  $|\Delta R|^2 \ll R_o$ .
- If  $|\Delta R| = K \Delta T$ , with  $K$  a numerical constant, find an expression for  $v_{out}(\Delta T)$ , that is  $v_{out}$  as a function of change in temperature.

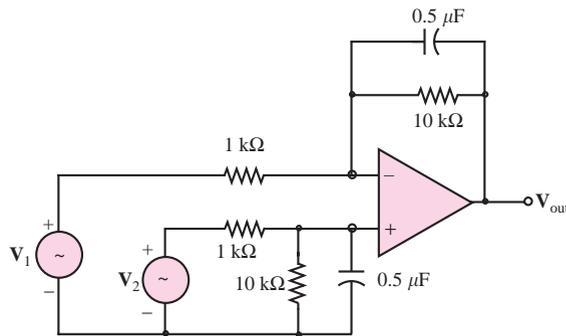


**Figure P8.21**

**8.22** Consider the circuit of Figure P8.22.

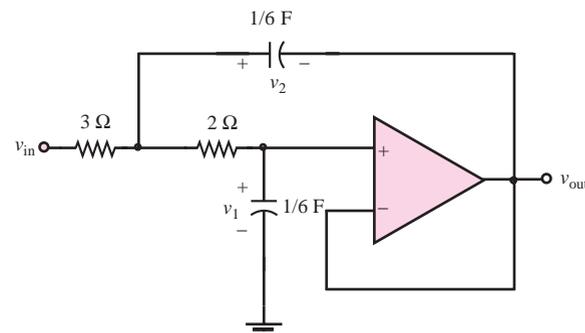
- If  $v_1 - v_2 = \cos(1,000t)$  V, find the peak amplitude of  $v_{out}$ .
- Find the phase shift of  $v_{out}$ .

*Hint:* Use phasor analysis.



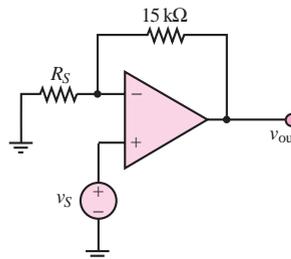
**Figure P8.22**

**8.23** Find an expression for the gain of the circuit of Figure P8.23.



**Figure P8.23**

**8.24** In the circuit of Figure P8.24, it is critical that the gain remain within 2 percent of its nominal value of 16. Find the resistor  $R_S$  that will accomplish the nominal gain requirement, and state what the maximum and minimum values of  $R_S$  can be. Will a *standard* 5 percent tolerance resistor be adequate to satisfy this requirement? (See Table 2.1 for resistor standard values.)



**Figure P8.24**

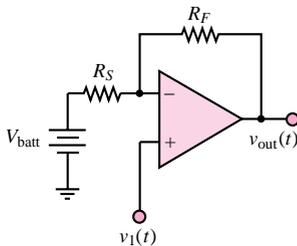
**8.25** An inverting amplifier uses two 10 percent tolerance resistors:  $R_F = 33$  k $\Omega$  and  $R_S = 1.2$  k $\Omega$ .

- What is the nominal gain of the amplifier?

- b. What is the maximum value of  $|A_V|$ ?
- c. What is the minimum value of  $|A_V|$ ?

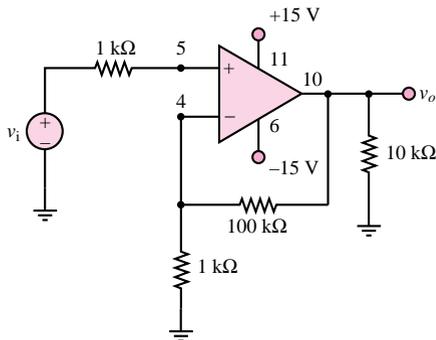
**8.26** The circuit of Figure P8.26 will remove the DC portion of the input voltage  $v_1(t)$  while amplifying the AC portion. Let  $v_1(t) = 10 + 10^{-3} \sin \omega t$  V,  $R_F = 10$  k $\Omega$ , and  $V_{\text{batt}} = 20$  V.

- a. Find  $R_S$  such that no DC voltage appears at the output.
- b. What is  $v_{\text{out}}(t)$ , using  $R_S$  from part a?



**Figure P8.26**

**8.27** Figure P8.27 shows a simple practical amplifier that uses the 741 op-amp. Pin numbers are as indicated. Assume the input resistance is  $R = 2$  M $\Omega$ , the open-loop gain  $A_{V(\text{OL})} = 200,000$ , and output resistance  $R_o = 50$   $\Omega$ . Find the exact gain  $A_V = v_o/v_i$ .



**Figure P8.27**

**8.28** Design an inverting summing amplifier to obtain the following weighted sum of four different signal sources:

$$v_{\text{out}} = -(2 \sin \omega_1 t + 4 \sin \omega_2 t + 8 \sin \omega_3 t + 16 \sin \omega_4 t)$$

Assume that  $R_F = 5$  k $\Omega$ , and determine the required source resistors.

**8.29** The amplifier shown in Figure P8.29 has a signal source, a load, and one stage of amplification with

$$R_S = 2.2 \text{ k}\Omega \quad R_1 = 1 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$R_F = 8.7 \text{ k}\Omega \quad R_L = 20 \Omega$$

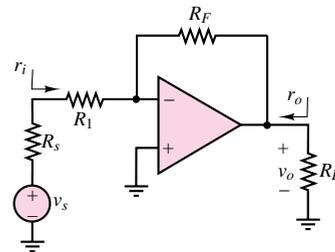
Motorola MC1741C op-amp:

$$r_i = 2 \text{ M}\Omega \quad r_o = 25 \Omega$$

$$\mu = 200,000$$

In a first-approximation analysis, the op-amp parameters given above would be neglected and the op-amp modeled as an ideal device. In this problem, include their effects on the input resistance of the amplifier circuit.

- a. Derive an expression for the input resistance  $v_i/i_i$  including the effects of the op-amp.
- b. Determine the value of the input resistance including the effects of the op-amp.
- c. Determine the value of the input resistance assuming the op-amp is ideal.



**Figure P8.29**

**8.30** In the circuit shown in Figure P8.30, if

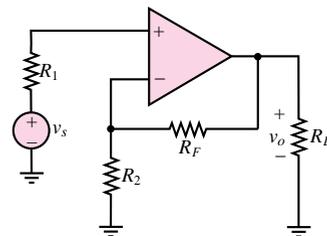
$$R_1 = 47 \text{ k}\Omega \quad R_2 = 1.8 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$R_F = 220 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$v_s = 0.02 + 0.001 \cos(\omega t) \quad \text{V}$$

determine

- a. An expression for the output voltage.
- b. The value of the output voltage.



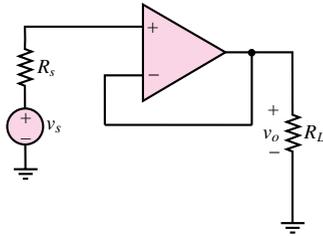
**Figure P8.30**

**8.31** If, in the circuit shown in Figure P8.31,

$$v_s = 50 \times 10^{-3} + 30 \times 10^{-3} \cos(\omega t)$$

$$R_s = 50 \Omega \quad R_L = 200 \Omega$$

determine the output voltage.



**Figure P8.31**

**8.32** In the circuit shown in Figure P8.32,

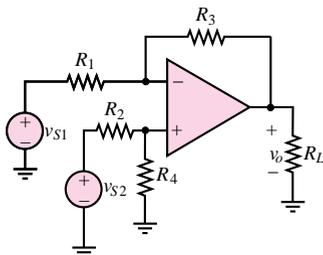
$$v_{S1} = 2.9 \times 10^{-3} \cos(\omega t) \quad \text{V}$$

$$v_{S2} = 3.1 \times 10^{-3} \cos(\omega t) \quad \text{V}$$

$$R_1 = 1 \text{ k}\Omega \quad R_2 = 3.3 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$R_3 = 10 \text{ k}\Omega \quad R_4 = 18 \text{ k}\Omega$$

Determine an expression for, and numerical value of, the output voltage.



**Figure P8.32**

**8.33** In the circuit shown in Figure P8.32,

$$v_{S1} = 5 \text{ mV} \quad v_{S2} = 7 \text{ mV}$$

$$R_1 = 1 \text{ k}\Omega \quad R_2 = 15 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$R_3 = 72 \text{ k}\Omega \quad R_4 = 47 \text{ k}\Omega$$

Determine the output voltage, analytically and numerically.

**8.34** In the circuit shown in Figure P8.34, if

$$v_{S1} = v_{S2} = 7 \text{ mV}$$

$$R_F = 2.2 \text{ k}\Omega \quad R_1 = 850 \Omega$$

$$R_2 = 1.5 \text{ k}\Omega$$

and the MC1741C op-amp has the following

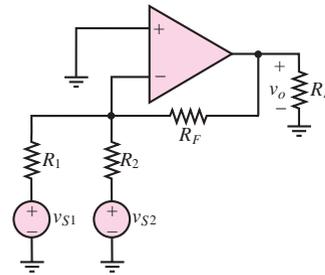
parameters:

$$r_i = 2 \text{ M}\Omega \quad \mu = 200,000$$

$$r_o = 25 \Omega$$

determine

- An expression for the output voltage.
- The voltage gain for each of the two input signals.



**Figure P8.34**

**8.35** In the circuit shown in Figure P8.32, the two voltage sources are temperature sensors with a response

$$v_{S1} = kT_1 \quad v_{S2} = kT_2$$

where

$$k = 50 \text{ mV}/^\circ\text{C}$$

$$R_1 = 11 \text{ k}\Omega \quad R_2 = 27 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$R_3 = 33 \text{ k}\Omega \quad R_4 = 68 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$T_1 = 35^\circ\text{C}$  and  $T_2 = 100^\circ\text{C}$ . Determine

- The output voltage.
- The conditions required for the output voltage to depend only on the difference between the two temperatures.

**8.36** In a differential amplifier, if

$$A_{v1} = -20 \quad A_{v2} = +22$$

derive expressions for, and then determine the value of, the common- and differential-mode gains.

**8.37** If, in the circuit shown in Figure P8.32,

$$v_{S1} = 1.3 \text{ V} \quad v_{S2} = 1.9 \text{ V}$$

$$R_1 = R_2 = 4.7 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$R_3 = R_4 = 10 \text{ k}\Omega \quad R_L = 1.8 \text{ k}\Omega$$

determine

- The output voltage.
- The common-mode component of the output voltage.
- The differential-mode component of the output voltage.

**8.38** The two voltage sources shown in Figure P8.32 are pressure sensors where, for each source and with  $P =$  pressure in kilopascals,

$$v_{S1,2} = A + BP_{1,2}$$

$$A = 0.3 \text{ V} \quad B = 0.7 \frac{\text{V}}{\text{psi}}$$

$$R_1 = R_2 = 4.7 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$R_3 = R_4 = 10 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$R_L = 1.8 \text{ k}\Omega$$

If  $P_1 = 6 \text{ kPa}$  and  $P_2 = 5 \text{ kPa}$ , determine, using superposition, that part of the output voltage which is due to the

- Common-mode input voltage.
- Differential-mode input voltage.

**8.39** A linear potentiometer (variable resistor)  $R_P$  is used to sense and give a signal voltage  $v_y$  proportional to the current  $y$  position of an  $xy$  plotter. A reference signal  $v_R$  is supplied by the software controlling the plotter. The difference between these voltages must be amplified and supplied to a motor. The motor turns and changes the position of the pen and the position of the “pot” until the signal voltage is equal to the reference voltage (indicating the pen is in the desired position) and the motor voltage = 0. For proper operation the motor voltage must be 10 times the difference between the signal and reference voltage. For rotation in the proper direction, the motor voltage must be negative with respect to the signal voltage for the polarities shown. An additional requirement is that  $i_P = 0$  to avoid loading the pot and causing an erroneous signal voltage.

- Design an op-amp circuit that will achieve the specifications given. Redraw the circuit shown in Figure P8.39, replacing the box (drawn with dotted lines) with your circuit. Be sure to show how the signal voltage and output voltage are connected in your circuit.
- Determine the value of each component in your circuit. The op-amp is a  $\mu\text{A}741\text{C}$ .

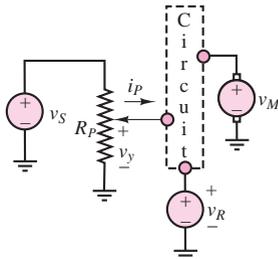


Figure P8.39

**8.40** In the circuit shown in Figure P8.32,

$$v_{S1} = 13 \text{ mV} \quad v_{S2} = 19 \text{ mV}$$

$$R_1 = 1 \text{ k}\Omega \quad R_2 = 13 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$R_3 = 81 \text{ k}\Omega \quad R_4 = 56 \text{ k}\Omega$$

Determine the output voltage.

**8.41** Figure P8.41 shows a simple voltage-to-current converter. Show that the current  $I_{\text{out}}$  through the light-emitting diode, and therefore its brightness, is proportional to the source voltage  $V_S$  as long as  $V_S > 0$ .

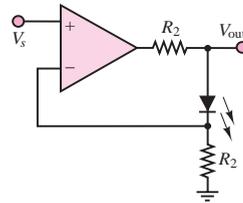


Figure P8.41

**8.42** Figure P8.42 shows a simple current-to-voltage converter. Show that the voltage  $V_{\text{out}}$  is proportional to the current generated by the cadmium sulfide (CdS) solar cell. Also show that the transimpedance of the circuit  $V_{\text{out}}/I_S$  is  $-R$ .

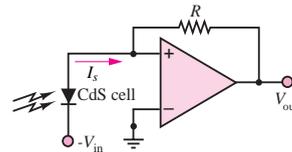


Figure P8.42

**8.43** An op-amp voltmeter circuit as in Figure P8.43 is required to measure a maximum input of  $E = 20 \text{ mV}$ . The op-amp input current is  $I_B = 0.2 \mu\text{A}$ , and the meter circuit has  $I_m = 100 \mu\text{A}$  full-scale deflection and  $r_m = 10 \text{ k}\Omega$ . Determine suitable values for  $R_3$  and  $R_4$ .

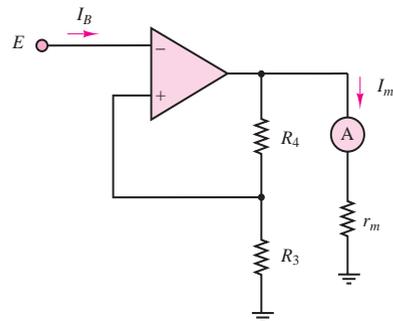
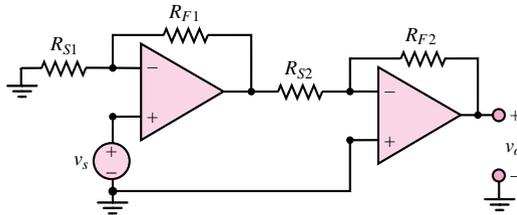


Figure P8.43

- 8.44** Find an expression for the output voltage in the circuit of Figure P8.44.

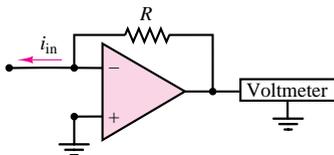


**Figure P8.44**

- 8.45** Select appropriate components using standard 5 percent resistor values to obtain a gain of magnitude approximately equal to 1,000 in the circuit of Figure P8.44.

How closely can you approximate the desired gain? Compute the error in the gain, assuming that the 5 percent tolerance resistors have the nominal value.

- 8.46** Repeat Problem 8.45, but use the  $\pm 5$  percent tolerance range to compute the possible range of gains for this amplifier.
- 8.47** The circuit shown in Figure P8.47 can function as a precision ammeter. Assume that the voltmeter has a range of 0 to 10 V and a resistance of 20 k $\Omega$ . The full-scale reading of the ammeter is intended to be 1 mA. Find the resistance  $R$  that accomplishes the desired function.



**Figure P8.47**

- 8.48** Select appropriate components using standard 5 percent resistor values to obtain a gain of magnitude approximately equal to 200 in the circuit of Figure P8.30.

How closely can you approximate the desired gain? Compute the error in the gain, assuming that the 5 percent tolerance resistors have the nominal value.

- 8.49** Repeat Problem 8.48, but use the  $\pm 5$  percent tolerance range to compute the possible range of gains for this amplifier.
- 8.50** Select appropriate components using standard 1 percent resistor values to obtain a differential amplifier gain of magnitude approximately equal to 100 in the

circuit of Figure P8.32. Assume that  $R_3 = R_4$  and  $R_1 = R_2$ .

How closely can you approximate the desired gain? Compute the error in the gain, assuming that the 1 percent tolerance resistors have the nominal value.

- 8.51** Repeat Problem 8.50, but use the  $\pm 1$  percent tolerance range to compute the possible range of gains for this amplifier. You may assume that  $R_3 = R_4$  and  $R_1 = R_2$ .

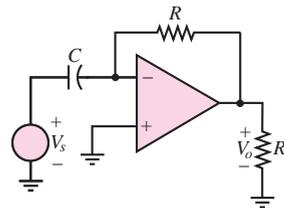
### Section 8.3: Active Filters

- 8.52** The circuit shown in Figure P8.52 is an active filter with

$$C = 1 \mu\text{F} \quad R = 10 \text{ k}\Omega \quad R_L = 1 \text{ k}\Omega$$

Determine

- The gain (in decibels) in the passband.
- The cutoff frequency.
- Whether this is a low- or high-pass filter.



**Figure P8.52**

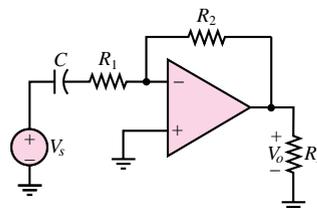
- 8.53** The op-amp circuit shown in Figure P8.53 is used as a filter.

$$C = 0.1 \mu\text{F} \quad R_L = 333 \Omega$$

$$R_1 = 1.8 \text{ k}\Omega \quad R_2 = 8.2 \text{ k}\Omega$$

Determine

- Whether the circuit is a low- or high-pass filter.
- The gain  $V_o/V_s$  in decibels in the passband, that is, at the frequencies being passed by the filter.
- The cutoff frequency.



**Figure P8.53**

**8.54** The op-amp circuit shown in Figure P8.53 is used as a filter.

$$C = 200 \text{ pF} \quad R_L = 1 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$R_1 = 10 \text{ k}\Omega \quad R_2 = 220 \text{ k}\Omega$$

Determine

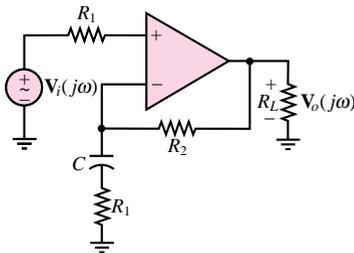
- Whether the circuit is a low- or high-pass filter.
- The gain  $V_o/V_S$  in decibels in the passband, that is, at the frequencies being passed by the filter.
- The cutoff frequency.

**8.55** The circuit shown in Figure P8.55 is an active filter with

$$R_1 = 4.7 \text{ k}\Omega \quad C = 100 \text{ pF}$$

$$R_2 = 68 \text{ k}\Omega \quad R_L = 220 \text{ k}\Omega$$

Determine the cutoff frequencies and the magnitude of the voltage frequency response function at very low and at very high frequencies.



**Figure P8.55**

**8.56** The circuit shown in Figure P8.56 is an active filter with

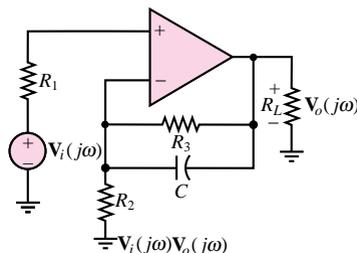
$$R_1 = 1 \text{ k}\Omega \quad R_2 = 4.7 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$R_3 = 80 \text{ k}\Omega \quad C = 20 \text{ nF}$$

Determine

- An expression for the voltage frequency response function in the standard form:

$$H_v(j\omega) = \frac{V_o(j\omega)}{V_i(j\omega)}$$



**Figure P8.56**

- The cutoff frequencies.
- The passband gain.
- The Bode plot.

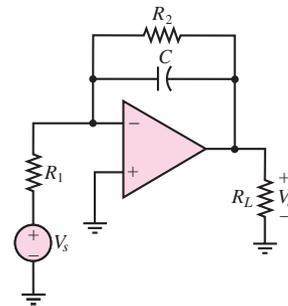
**8.57** The op-amp circuit shown in Figure P8.57 is used as a filter.

$$R_1 = 9.1 \text{ k}\Omega \quad R_2 = 22 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$C = 0.47 \text{ }\mu\text{F} \quad R_L = 2.2 \text{ k}\Omega$$

Determine

- Whether the circuit is a low- or high-pass filter.
- An expression in standard form for the voltage transfer function.
- The gain in decibels in the passband, that is, at the frequencies being passed by the filter, and the cutoff frequency.



**Figure P8.57**

**8.58** The op-amp circuit shown in Figure P8.57 is a low-pass filter with

$$R_1 = 2.2 \text{ k}\Omega \quad R_2 = 68 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$C = 0.47 \text{ nF} \quad R_L = 1 \text{ k}\Omega$$

Determine

- An expression for the voltage frequency response function.
- The gain in decibels in the passband, that is, at the frequencies being passed by the filter, and the cutoff frequency.

**8.59** The circuit shown in Figure P8.59 is a bandpass filter. If

$$R_1 = R_2 = 10 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$C_1 = C_2 = 0.1 \text{ }\mu\text{F}$$

determine

- The passband gain.
- The resonant frequency.
- The cutoff frequencies.

- d. The circuit  $Q$ .  
e. The Bode plot.

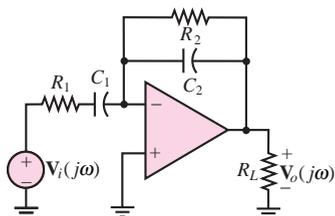


Figure P8.59

**8.60** The op-amp circuit shown in Figure P8.60 is a low-pass filter with

$$R_1 = 220 \, \Omega \quad R_2 = 68 \, \text{k}\Omega$$

$$C = 0.47 \, \text{nF} \quad R_L = 1 \, \text{k}\Omega$$

Determine

- An expression in standard form for the voltage frequency response function.
- The gain in decibels in the passband, that is, at the frequencies being passed by the filter, and the cutoff frequency.

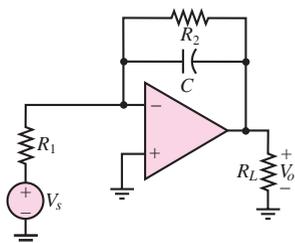


Figure P8.60

**8.61** The circuit shown in Figure P8.61 is a bandpass filter. If

$$R_1 = 2.2 \, \text{k}\Omega \quad R_2 = 100 \, \text{k}\Omega$$

$$C_1 = 2.2 \, \mu\text{F} \quad C_2 = 1 \, \text{nF}$$

determine the passband gain.

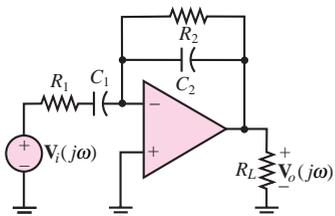


Figure P8.61

**8.62** Compute the frequency response of the circuit shown in Figure P8.62.

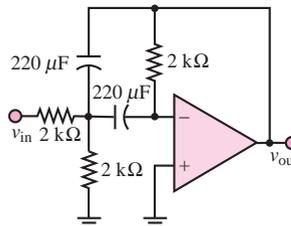


Figure P8.62

**8.63** The inverting amplifier shown in Figure P8.63 can be used as a low-pass filter.

- Derive the frequency response of the circuit.
- If  $R_1 = R_2 = 100 \, \text{k}\Omega$  and  $C = 0.1 \, \mu\text{F}$ , compute the attenuation in decibels at  $\omega = 1,000 \, \text{rad/s}$ .
- Compute the gain and phase at  $\omega = 2,500 \, \text{rad/s}$ .
- Find the range of frequencies over which the attenuation is less than 1 decibel.

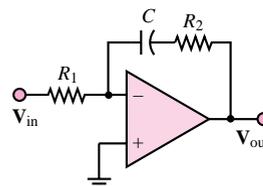


Figure P8.63

**8.64** Find an expression for the gain of the circuit of Figure P8.64.

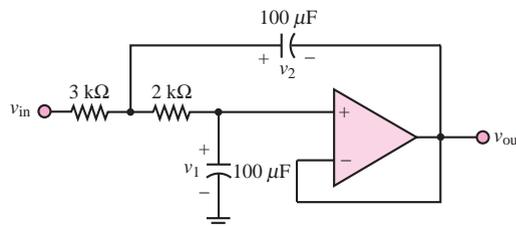


Figure P8.64

**8.65** For the circuit of Figure P8.65, sketch the amplitude response of  $V_2/V_1$ , indicating the half-power frequencies. Assume the op-amp is ideal.

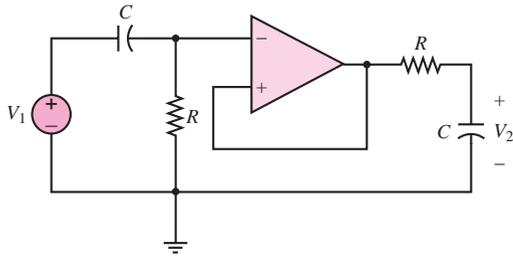


Figure P8.65

8.66 Determine an analytical expression for the circuit shown in Figure P8.66. What kind of a filter does this circuit implement?

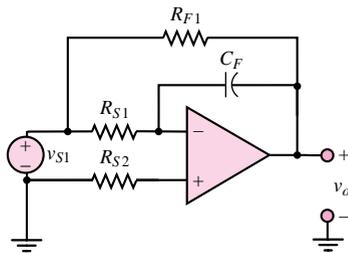


Figure P8.66

8.67 Determine an analytical expression for the circuit shown in Figure P8.67. What kind of a filter does this circuit implement?

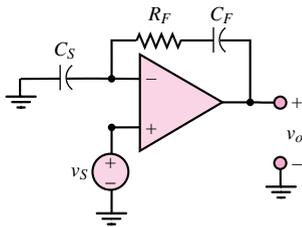


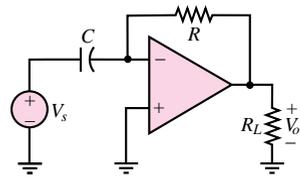
Figure P8.67

### Section 8.4: Integrator and Differentiator Circuits

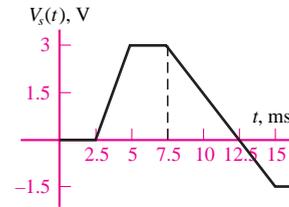
8.68 The circuit shown in Figure P8.68(a) will give an output voltage which is either the integral or the derivative of the source voltage shown in Figure P8.68(b) multiplied by some gain. If

$$C = 1 \mu\text{F} \quad R = 10 \text{ k}\Omega \quad R_L = 1 \text{ k}\Omega$$

determine an expression for and plot the output voltage as a function of time.



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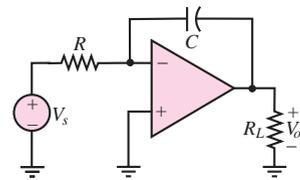
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Figure P8.68

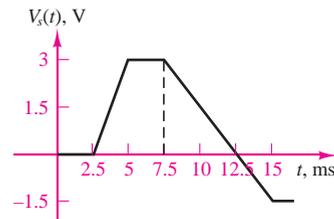
8.69 The circuit shown in Figure P8.69(a) will give an output voltage which is either the integral or the derivative of the supply voltage shown in Figure P8.69(b) multiplied by some gain. Determine

- An expression for the output voltage.
- The value of the output voltage at  $t = 5, 7.5, 12.5, 15,$  and  $20 \text{ ms}$  and a plot of the output voltage as a function of time if

$$C = 1 \mu\text{F} \quad R = 10 \text{ k}\Omega \quad R_L = 1 \text{ k}\Omega$$



(a)



(b)

Figure P8.69

8.70 The circuit shown in Figure P8.70 is an integrator. The capacitor is initially uncharged, and the source voltage is

$$v_{in}(t) = 10 \times 10^{-3} + \sin(2,000\pi t) \text{ V}$$

- At  $t = 0$ , the switch  $S_1$  is closed. How long does it take before clipping occurs at the output if  $R_S = 10 \text{ k}\Omega$  and  $C_F = 0.008 \text{ }\mu\text{F}$ ?
- At what times does the integration of the DC input cause the op-amp to saturate fully?

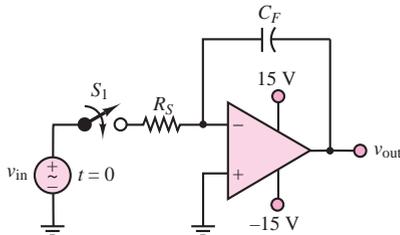


Figure P8.70

- 8.71** A practical integrator is shown in Figure 8.20 in the text. Note that the resistor in parallel with the feedback capacitor provides a path for the capacitor to discharge the DC voltage. Usually, the time constant  $R_F C_F$  is chosen to be long enough not to interfere with the integration.
- If  $R_S = 10 \text{ k}\Omega$ ,  $R_F = 2 \text{ M}\Omega$ ,  $C_F = 0.008 \text{ }\mu\text{F}$ , and  $v_S(t) = 10 \text{ V} + \sin(2,000\pi t) \text{ V}$ , find  $v_{\text{out}}(t)$ , using phasor analysis.
  - Repeat part a if  $R_F = 200 \text{ k}\Omega$ , and if  $R_F = 20 \text{ k}\Omega$ .
  - Compare the time constants  $R_F C_F$  with the period of the waveform for parts (a) and (b). What can you say about the time constant and the ability of the circuit to integrate?

- 8.72** The circuit of Figure 8.25 in the text is a practical differentiator. Assume an ideal op-amp with  $v_S(t) = 10 \times 10^{-3} \sin(2,000\pi t) \text{ V}$ ,  $C_S = 100 \text{ }\mu\text{F}$ ,  $C_F = 0.008 \text{ }\mu\text{F}$ ,  $R_F = 2 \text{ M}\Omega$ , and  $R_S = 10 \text{ k}\Omega$ .
- Determine the frequency response  $V_O/V_S(\omega)$ .
  - Use superposition to find the actual output voltage (remember that DC = 0 Hz).

### Section 8.5: Physical Limitations of Operational Amplifiers

- 8.73** Consider the noninverting amplifier of Figure 8.8 in the text. Find the error introduced in the output voltage if the op-amp has an input offset voltage of 2 mV. Assume that the input bias currents are zero, and that  $R_S = R_F = 2.2 \text{ k}\Omega$ . Assume that the offset voltage appears as shown in Figure 8.40 in the text.

- 8.74** Repeat Problem 8.73, assuming that in addition to the input offset voltage, the op-amp has an input bias current of  $1 \text{ }\mu\text{A}$ . Assume that the bias current appears as shown in Figure 8.41 in the text.

- 8.75** Consider a standard inverting amplifier, as shown in Figure P8.75. Assume that the offset voltage can be neglected and that the two input bias currents are equal. Find the value of  $R_x$  that eliminates the error in the output voltage due to the bias currents.

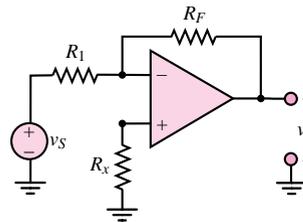


Figure P8.75

- 8.76** In the circuit of Figure P8.75, the feedback resistor is  $3.3 \text{ k}\Omega$ , and the input resistor is  $1 \text{ k}\Omega$ . If the input signal is a sinusoid with maximum amplitude of  $1.5 \text{ V}$ , what is the highest-frequency input that can be used without exceeding the slew rate limit of  $1 \text{ V}/\mu\text{s}$ ?
- 8.77** An op-amp has the open-loop frequency response shown in Figure 8.37 in the text. What is the approximate bandwidth of a circuit that uses the op-amp with a closed-loop gain of 75? What is the bandwidth if the gain is 350?

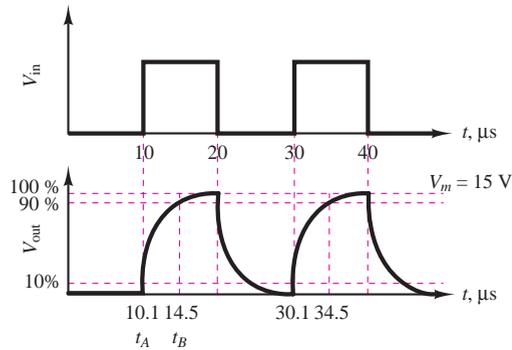
- 8.78** Consider a differential amplifier. We desire the common-mode output to be less than 1 percent of the differential-mode output. Find the minimum decibel common-mode rejection ratio to fulfill this requirement if the differential-mode gain  $A_{\text{dm}} = 1,000$ . Let

$$\begin{aligned} v_1 &= \sin(2,000\pi t) + 0.1 \sin(120\pi t) && \text{V} \\ v_2 &= \sin(2,000\pi t + 180^\circ) + 0.1 \sin(120\pi t) && \text{V} \\ v_{\text{out}} &= A_{\text{dm}}(v_1 - v_2) + A_{\text{cm}} \frac{v_1 + v_2}{2} \end{aligned}$$

- 8.79** Square wave testing can be used with operational amplifiers to estimate the *slew rate*, which is defined as the maximum rate at which the output can change (in volts per microsecond). Input and output waveforms for a noninverting op-amp circuit are shown in Figure P8.79. As indicated, the rise time  $t_R$  of the output waveform is defined as the time it takes for that waveform to increase from 10 to 90 percent of its final value, or

$$t_R \triangleq t_B - t_A = -\tau(\ln 0.1 - \ln 0.9) = 2.2\tau$$

where  $\tau$  is the circuit time constant. Estimate the slew rate for the op-amp.



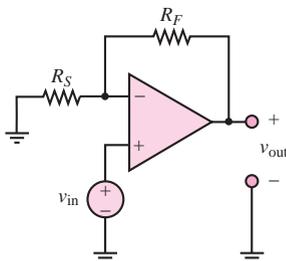
**Figure P8.79**

**8.80** Consider an inverting amplifier with open-loop gain  $10^5$ . With reference to equation 8.18:

- If  $R_S = 10 \text{ k}\Omega$  and  $R_F = 1 \text{ M}\Omega$ , find the voltage gain  $A_{V(CL)}$ .
- Repeat part a if  $R_S = 10 \text{ k}\Omega$  and  $R_F = 10 \text{ M}\Omega$ .
- Repeat part a if  $R_S = 10 \text{ k}\Omega$  and  $R_F = 100 \text{ M}\Omega$ .
- Using the resistor values of part c, find  $A_{V(CL)}$  if  $A_{V(OL)} \rightarrow \infty$ .

**8.81**

- If the op-amp of Figure P8.81 has an open-loop gain of  $45 \times 10^5$ , find the closed-loop gain for  $R_F = R_S = 7.5 \text{ k}\Omega$ , with reference to equation 8.18.
- Repeat part a if  $R_F = 5R_S = 37,500 \Omega$ .



**Figure P8.81**

**8.82** Given the unity-gain bandwidth for an ideal op-amp equal to  $5.0 \text{ MHz}$ , find the voltage gain at a frequency of  $f = 500 \text{ kHz}$ .

**8.83** The open-loop gain  $A$  of real (nonideal) op-amps is very large at low frequencies but decreases markedly as frequency increases. As a result, the closed-loop gain of op-amp circuits can be strongly dependent on

frequency. Determine the relationship between a finite and frequency-dependent open-loop gain  $A_{V(OL)}(\omega)$  and the closed-loop gain  $A_{V(CL)}(\omega)$  of an inverting amplifier as a function of frequency. Plot  $A_{V(CL)}$  versus  $\omega$ . Notice that  $-R_F/R_S$  is the low-frequency closed-loop gain.

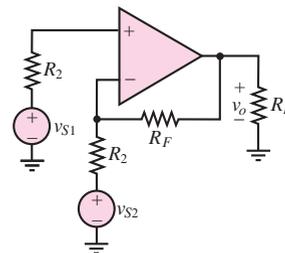
**8.84** A sinusoidal sound (pressure) wave  $p(t)$  impinges upon a condenser microphone of sensitivity  $S$  ( $\text{mV/kPa}$ ). The voltage output of the microphone  $v_s$  is amplified by two cascaded inverting amplifiers to produce an amplified signal  $v_0$ . Determine the peak amplitude of the sound wave (in decibels) if  $v_0 = 5 V_{\text{RMS}}$ . Estimate the maximum peak magnitude of the sound wave in order that  $v_0$  not contain any saturation effects of the op-amps.

**8.85** If, in the circuit shown in Figure P8.85,

$$\begin{aligned} v_{S1} &= 2.8 + 0.01 \cos(\omega t) & \text{V} \\ v_{S2} &= 3.5 - 0.007 \cos(\omega t) & \text{V} \\ A_{v1} &= -13 & A_{v2} = 10 & \omega = 4 \text{ krad/s} \end{aligned}$$

determine

- Common- and differential-mode input signals.
- Common- and differential-mode gains.
- Common- and differential-mode components of the output voltage.
- Total output voltage.
- Common-mode rejection ratio.



**Figure P8.85**

**8.86** If, in the circuit shown in Figure P8.85,

$$\begin{aligned} v_{S1} &= 3.5 + 0.01 \cos(\omega t) & \text{V} \\ v_{S2} &= 3.5 - 0.01 \cos(\omega t) & \text{V} \\ A_{vc} &= 10 \text{ dB} & A_{vd} = 20 \text{ dB} \\ \omega &= 4 \times 10^3 \text{ rad/s} \end{aligned}$$

determine

- Common- and differential-mode input voltages.
- The voltage gains for  $v_{S1}$  and  $v_{S2}$ .

- c. Common-mode component and differential-mode component of the output voltage.
- d. The common-mode rejection ratio (CMRR) in decibels.

**8.87** In the circuit shown in Figure P8.87, the two voltage sources are temperature sensors with  $T =$  temperature (Kelvin) and

$$v_{S1} = kT_1 \quad v_{S2} = kT_2$$

where

$$k = 120 \mu\text{V/K}$$

$$R_1 = R_3 = R_4 = 5 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$R_2 = 3 \text{ k}\Omega \quad R_L = 600 \Omega$$

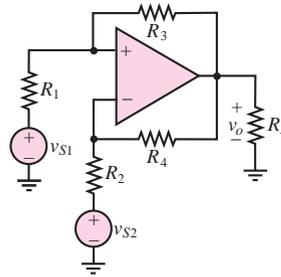
if

$$T_1 = 310 \text{ K} \quad T_2 = 335 \text{ K}$$

determine

- a. The voltage gains for the two input voltages.
- b. The common-mode and differential-mode input voltages.
- c. The common-mode and differential-mode gains.
- d. The common-mode component and the differential-mode component of the output voltage.

- e. The common-mode rejection ratio (CMRR) in decibels.



**Figure P8.87**

**8.88** In the differential amplifier shown in Figure P8.87,

$$v_{S1} = 13 \text{ mV} \quad v_{S2} = 9 \text{ mV}$$

$$v_o = v_{oc} + v_{od}$$

$$v_{oc} = 33 \text{ mV} \quad (\text{common-mode output voltage})$$

$$v_{od} = 18 \text{ V} \quad (\text{differential-mode output voltage})$$

Determine

- a. The common-mode gain.
- b. The differential-mode gain.
- c. The common-mode rejection ratio in decibels.

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## SEMICONDUCTORS AND DIODES

**T**his chapter introduces a new topic: **solid state electronics**. You must be familiar with the marvelous progress that has taken place in this field since the invention of the *transistor*. Think of the progress that personal computing alone has made in the last 50 years! Modern electronic systems are possible because of individual discrete electronic devices that have been integrated into functioning as complex systems. Although the use of discrete electronic devices has largely been replaced by that of *integrated circuits* (e.g., the operational amplifier of Chapter 8), it is still important to understand how the individual elements function. The aim of this and of the next three chapters is to introduce the fundamental operation of *semiconductor electronic devices*. These include two principal families of elements: *diodes* and *transistors*. The focus of Chapters 9 through 11 is principally on *discrete* devices, that is, on analyzing and using individual diodes and transistors in various circuits.

This chapter explains the workings of the semiconductor diode, a device that finds use in many practical circuits used in electric power systems and in high- and low-power electronic circuits. The emphasis in the chapter is on using simple models of the semiconductor devices, and on reducing the resulting circuits to ones that we can analyze based on the circuit analysis tools introduced in earlier chapters. This is usually done in two steps: first, the *i-v* characteristic of the diode is analyzed, and it

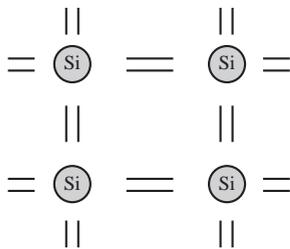
is shown that one can use simple linear circuit elements (ideal resistors, ideal voltage sources) to describe the operation of the diode by way of *circuit models*; second, the circuit models are inserted in a practical circuit in place of the diode, and well-known circuit analysis methods are employed to analyze the resulting *linear* circuit. Thus, once you have understood how to select an appropriate diode model, you will once again apply the basic circuit analysis principles that you mastered in the first part of this book.

## Learning Objectives

1. Understand the basic principles underlying the physics of semiconductor devices in general and of the *pn* junction in particular. Become familiar with the diode equation and *i-v* characteristic. *Sections 9.1, 9.2.*
2. Use various circuit models of the semiconductor diode in simple circuits. These are divided into two classes: large-signal models, useful to study rectifier circuits, and small-signal models, useful in signal processing applications. *Section 9.2.*
3. Study practical full-wave rectifier circuits and learn to analyze and determine the practical specifications of a rectifier by using large-signal diode models. *Section 9.3.*
4. Understand the basic operation of Zener diodes as voltage references, and use simple circuit models to analyze elementary voltage regulators. *Section 9.4.*

## 9.1 ELECTRICAL CONDUCTION IN SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICES

This section briefly introduces the mechanism of conduction in a class of materials called **semiconductors**. Elemental<sup>1</sup> or intrinsic semiconductors are materials consisting of elements from group IV of the periodic table and having electrical properties falling somewhere between those of conducting and of insulating materials. As an example, consider the conductivity of three common materials. Copper, a good conductor, has a conductivity of  $0.59 \times 10^6$  S/cm; glass, a common insulator, may range between  $10^{-16}$  and  $10^{-13}$  S/cm; and silicon, a semiconductor, has a conductivity that varies from  $10^{-8}$  to  $10^{-1}$  S/cm. You see, then, that the name *semiconductor* is an appropriate one.



**Figure 9.1** Lattice structure of silicon, with four valence electrons

A conducting material is characterized by a large number of conduction band electrons, which have a very weak bond with the basic structure of the material. Thus, an electric field easily imparts energy to the outer electrons in a conductor and enables the flow of electric current. In a semiconductor, on the other hand, one needs to consider the lattice structure of the material, which in this case is characterized by **covalent bonding**. Figure 9.1 depicts the lattice arrangement for silicon (Si), one of the more common semiconductors. At sufficiently high temperatures, thermal energy causes the atoms in the lattice to vibrate; when sufficient kinetic energy is present, some of the valence electrons break their bonds with the lattice structure and become available as conduction electrons. These **free electrons** enable current flow in the semiconductor. Note that in a conductor, valence electrons have a very loose

<sup>1</sup>Semiconductors can also be made of more than one element, in which case the elements are not necessarily from group IV.

bond with the nucleus and are therefore available for conduction to a much greater extent than valence electrons in a semiconductor. One important aspect of this type of conduction is that the number of charge carriers depends on the amount of thermal energy present in the structure. Thus, many semiconductor properties are a function of temperature.

The free valence electrons are not the only mechanism of conduction in a semiconductor, however. Whenever a free electron leaves the lattice structure, it creates a corresponding positive charge within the lattice. Figure 9.2 depicts the situation in which a covalent bond is missing because of the departure of a free electron from the structure. The vacancy caused by the departure of a free electron is called a **hole**. Note that whenever a hole is present, we have, in effect, a positive charge. The positive charges also contribute to the conduction process, in the sense that if a valence band electron “jumps” to fill a neighboring hole, thereby neutralizing a positive charge, it correspondingly creates a new hole at a different location. Thus, the effect is equivalent to that of a positive charge moving to the right, in the sketch of Figure 9.2. This phenomenon becomes relevant when an external electric field is applied to the material. It is important to point out here that the **mobility**—that is, the ease with which charge carriers move across the lattice—differs greatly for the two types of carriers. Free electrons can move far more easily around the lattice than holes. To appreciate this, consider the fact that a free electron has already broken the covalent bond, whereas for a hole to travel through the structure, an electron must overcome the covalent bond each time the hole jumps to a new position.

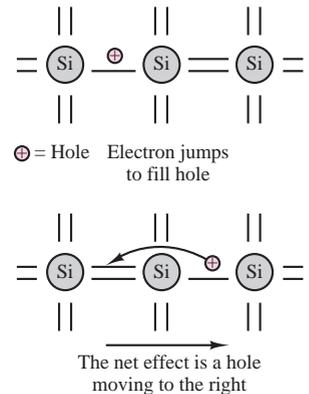
According to this relatively simplified view of semiconductor materials, we can envision a semiconductor as having two types of charge carriers—holes and free electrons—which travel in opposite directions when the semiconductor is subjected to an external electric field, giving rise to a net flow of current in the direction of the electric field. Figure 9.3 illustrates the concept.

An additional phenomenon, called **recombination**, reduces the number of charge carriers in a semiconductor. Occasionally, a free electron traveling in the immediate neighborhood of a hole will recombine with the hole, to form a covalent bond. Whenever this phenomenon takes place, two charge carriers are lost. However, in spite of recombination, the net balance is such that a number of free electrons always exist at a given temperature. These electrons are therefore available for conduction. The number of free electrons available for a given material is called the **intrinsic concentration**  $n_i$ . For example, at room temperature, silicon has

$$n_i = 1.5 \times 10^{16} \text{ electrons/m}^3 \quad (9.1)$$

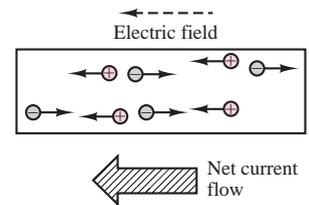
Note that there must be an equivalent number of holes present as well.

Semiconductor technology rarely employs pure, or intrinsic, semiconductors. To control the number of charge carriers in a semiconductor, the process of **doping** is usually employed. Doping consists of adding impurities to the crystalline structure of the semiconductor. The amount of these impurities is controlled, and the impurities can be of one of two types. If the dopant is an element from the fifth column of the periodic table (e.g., arsenic), the end result is that wherever an impurity is present, an additional free electron is available for conduction. Figure 9.4 illustrates the concept. The elements providing the impurities are called **donors** in the case of group V elements, since they “donate” an additional free electron to the lattice structure. An equivalent situation arises when group III elements (e.g., indium) are used to dope silicon. In this case, however, an additional hole is created by the doping element,



A vacancy (or hole) is created whenever a free electron leaves the structure. This “hole” can move around the lattice if other electrons replace the free electron.

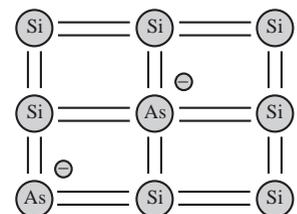
**Figure 9.2** Free electrons and “holes” in the lattice structure



An external electric field forces holes to migrate to the left and free electrons to the right. The net current flow is to the left.

**Figure 9.3** Current flow in a semiconductor

An additional free electron is created when Si is “doped” with a group V element.



**Figure 9.4** Doped semiconductor

which is called an **acceptor**, since it accepts a free electron from the structure and generates a hole in doing so.

Semiconductors doped with donor elements conduct current predominantly by means of free electrons and are therefore called ***n*-type semiconductors**. When an acceptor element is used as the dopant, holes constitute the most common carrier, and the resulting semiconductor is said to be a ***p*-type semiconductor**. Doping usually takes place at such levels that the concentration of carriers due to the dopant is significantly greater than the intrinsic concentration of the original semiconductor. If  $n$  is the total number of free electrons and  $p$  that of holes, then in an *n*-type doped semiconductor, we have

$$n \gg n_i \quad (9.2)$$

and

$$p \ll p_i \quad (9.3)$$

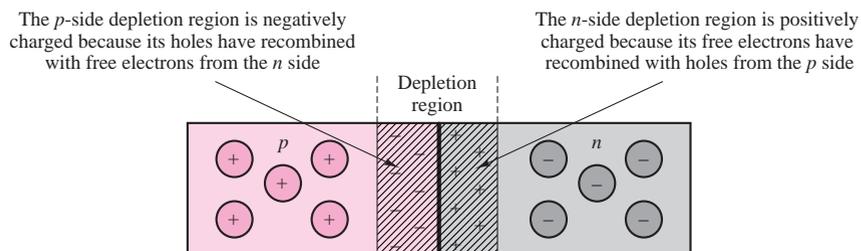
Thus, free electrons are the **majority carriers** in an *n*-type material, while holes are the **minority carriers**. In a *p*-type material, the majority and minority carriers are reversed.

Doping is a standard practice for a number of reasons. Among these are the ability to control the concentration of charge carriers and the increase in the conductivity of the material that results from doping.

## 9.2 THE *pn* JUNCTION AND THE SEMICONDUCTOR DIODE

A simple section of semiconductor material does not in and of itself possess properties that make it useful for the construction of electronic circuits. However, when a section of *p*-type material and a section of *n*-type material are brought in contact to form a ***pn* junction**, a number of interesting properties arise. The *pn* junction forms the basis of the **semiconductor diode**, a widely used circuit element.

Figure 9.5 depicts an idealized *pn* junction, where on the *p* side we see a dominance of positive charge carriers, or holes, and on the *n* side, the free electrons dominate. Now, in the neighborhood of the junction, in a small section called the **depletion region**, the mobile charge carriers (holes and free electrons) come into contact with each other and recombine, thus leaving virtually no charge carriers at the junction. What is left in the depletion region, in the absence of the charge carriers, is the lattice structure of the *n*-type material on the right and of the *p*-type material on the left. But the *n*-type material, deprived of the free electrons, which have recombined with holes in the neighborhood of the junction, is now positively charged. Similarly,



**Figure 9.5** A *pn* junction

the  $p$ -type material at the junction is negatively charged, because holes have been lost to recombination. The net effect is that while most of the material ( $p$ - or  $n$ -type) is charge-neutral because the lattice structure and the charge carriers neutralize each other (on average), the depletion region sees a separation of charge, giving rise to an electric field pointing from the  $n$  side to the  $p$  side. The charge separation therefore causes a **contact potential** to exist at the junction. This potential is typically on the order of a few tenths of a volt and depends on the material (about 0.6 to 0.7 V for silicon). The contact potential is also called the *offset voltage*  $V_\gamma$ .

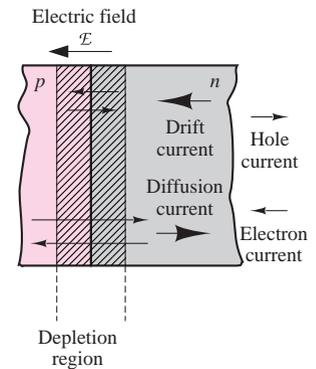
Now, in the  $n$ -type materials, holes are the minority carriers; the relatively few  $p$ -type carriers (holes) are thermally generated, and recombine with free electrons. Some of these holes drift into the depletion region (to the left, in Figure 9.5), and they are pushed across the junction by the existing electric field. A similar situation exists in the  $p$ -type material, where now electrons drift across the depletion region (to the right). The net effect is that a small **reverse saturation current**  $I_S$  flows through the junction in the reverse direction (to the left) when the diode is reverse biased [see Figure 9.7(a)]. This current is largely independent of the junction voltage and is mostly determined by thermal carrier generation; that is, it is dependent on temperature. As the temperature increases, more hole-electron pairs are thermally generated, and the greater number of minority carriers produce a greater  $I_S$  [at room temperature,  $I_S$  is on the order of nanoamperes ( $10^{-9}$  A) in silicon]. This current across the junction flows opposite to the drift current and is called **diffusion current**  $I_d$ . Of course, if a hole from the  $p$  side enters the  $n$  side, it is quite likely that it will quickly recombine with one of the  $n$ -type carriers on the  $n$  side. One way to explain diffusion current is to visualize the diffusion of a gas in a room: gas molecules naturally tend to diffuse from a region of higher concentration to one of lower concentration. Similarly, the  $p$ -type material, for example, has a much greater concentration of holes than the  $n$ -type material. Thus, some holes will tend to diffuse into the  $n$ -type material across the junction, although only those that have sufficient (thermal) energy to do so will succeed. Figure 9.6 illustrates this process for a diode in equilibrium, with no bias applied.

The phenomena of drift and diffusion help explain how a  $pn$  junction behaves when it is connected to an external energy source. Consider the diagrams of Figure 9.7, where a battery has been connected to a  $pn$  junction in the **reverse-biased** direction [Figure 9.7(a)] and in the **forward-biased** direction [Figure 9.7(b)]. We assume that some suitable form of contact between the battery wires and the semiconductor material can be established (this is called an **ohmic contact**). The effect of a reverse bias is to increase the contact potential at the junction. Now, the majority carriers trying to diffuse across the junction need to overcome a greater barrier (a larger potential) and a wider depletion region. Thus, the diffusion current becomes negligible. The only current that flows under reverse bias is the very small reverse saturation current, so that the diode current  $i_D$  (defined in the figure) is

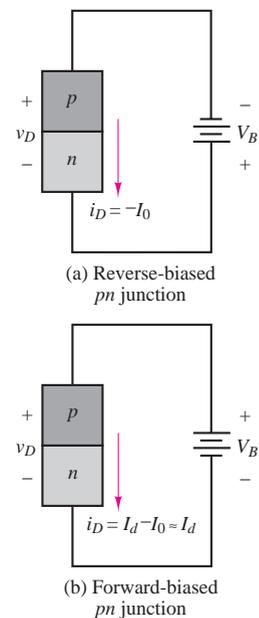
$$i_D = -I_0 = I_S \quad (9.4)$$

while the reverse saturation current above is actually a minority-carrier drift current. When the  $pn$  junction is forward-biased, the contact potential across the junction is lowered (note that  $V_B$  acts in opposition to the contact potential). Now, the diffusion of majority carriers is aided by the external voltage source; in fact, the diffusion current increases as a function of the applied voltage, according to equation 9.5

$$I_d = I_0 e^{qV_D/kT} \quad (9.5)$$



**Figure 9.6** Drift and diffusion currents in a  $pn$  junction



**Figure 9.7** Forward and reverse-biased  $pn$  junctions

where  $v_D$  is the voltage across the  $pn$  junction,  $k = 1.381 \times 10^{-23}$  J/K is Boltzmann's constant,  $q$  is the charge of one electron, and  $T$  is the temperature of the material in kelvins (K). The quantity  $kT/q$  is constant at a given temperature and is approximately equal to 25 mV at room temperature. The net diode current under forward bias is given by equation 9.6



$$i_D = I_d - I_0 = I_0(e^{qv_D/kT} - 1) \quad \text{Diode equation} \quad (9.6)$$

which is known as the **diode equation**. Figure 9.8 depicts the diode  $i$ - $v$  characteristic described by the diode equation for a fairly typical silicon diode for positive diode voltages. Since the reverse saturation current  $I_0$  is typically very small ( $10^{-9}$  to  $10^{-15}$  A),

$$i_D = I_0 e^{qv_D/kT} \quad (9.7)$$

is a good approximation if the diode voltage  $v_D$  is greater than a few tenths of a volt.

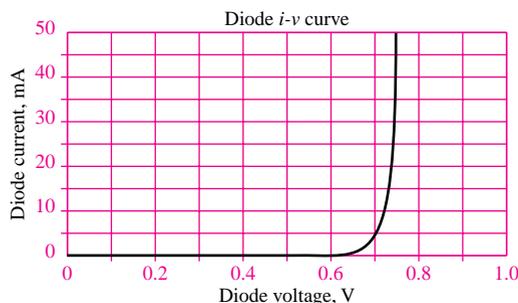


Figure 9.8 Semiconductor diode  $i$ - $v$  characteristic

The arrow in the circuit symbol for the diode indicates the direction of current flow when the diode is forward-biased.

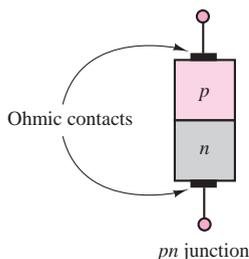
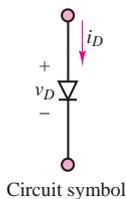
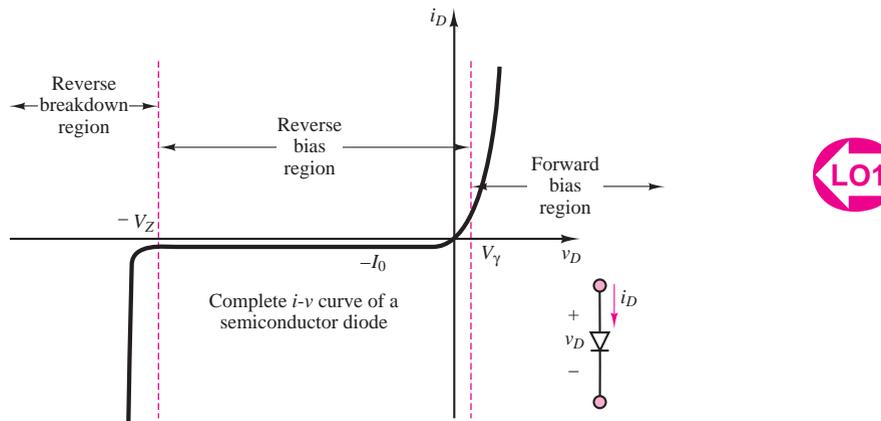


Figure 9.9 Semiconductor diode circuit symbol

The ability of the  $pn$  junction to essentially conduct current in only one direction—that is, to conduct only when the junction is forward-biased—makes it valuable in circuit applications. A device having a single  $pn$  junction and ohmic contacts at its terminals, as described in the preceding paragraphs, is called a *semiconductor diode*, or simply *diode*. As will be shown later in this chapter, it finds use in many practical circuits. The circuit symbol for the diode is shown in Figure 9.9, along with a sketch of the  $pn$  junction.

Figure 9.10 summarizes the behavior of the semiconductor diode by means of its  $i$ - $v$  characteristic; it will become apparent later that this  $i$ - $v$  characteristic plays an important role in constructing circuit models for the diode. Note that a third region appears in the diode  $i$ - $v$  curve that has not been discussed yet. The **reverse breakdown** region to the far left of the curve represents the behavior of the diode when a sufficiently high reverse bias is applied. Under such a large reverse bias (greater in magnitude than the voltage  $V_Z$ , a quantity that will be explained shortly), the diode conducts current again, this time *in the reverse direction*. To explain the mechanism of reverse conduction, one needs to visualize the phenomenon of *avalanche breakdown*. When a very large negative bias is applied to the  $pn$  junction, sufficient energy is imparted to charge carriers that reverse current can flow, well beyond the normal reverse saturation current. In addition, because of the large electric field, electrons are



**Figure 9.10** The  $i$ - $v$  characteristic of the semiconductor diode

energized to such levels that if they collide with other charge carriers at a lower energy level, some of their energy is transferred to the carriers with lower energy, and these can now contribute to the reverse conduction process as well. This process is called *impact ionization*. Now, these new carriers may also have enough energy to energize other low-energy electrons by impact ionization, so that once a sufficiently high reverse bias is provided, this process of conduction is very much like an avalanche: a single electron can ionize several others.

The phenomenon of **Zener breakdown** is related to avalanche breakdown. It is usually achieved by means of heavily doped regions in the neighborhood of the metal-semiconductor junction (the ohmic contact). The high density of charge carriers provides the means for a substantial reverse breakdown current to be sustained, at a nearly constant reverse bias, the **Zener voltage**  $V_Z$ . This phenomenon is very useful in applications where one would like to hold some load voltage constant, for example, in **voltage regulators**, which are discussed in a later section.

To summarize the behavior of the semiconductor diode, it is useful to refer to the sketch of Figure 9.10, observing that when the voltage across the diode  $v_D$  is greater than the offset voltage  $V_\gamma$ , the diode is said to be forward-biased and acts nearly as a short circuit, readily conducting current. When  $v_D$  is between  $V_\gamma$  and the Zener breakdown voltage  $-V_Z$ , the diode acts very much as an open circuit, conducting a small reverse current  $I_0$  of the order of only nanoamperes (nA). Finally, if the voltage  $v_D$  is more negative than the Zener voltage  $-V_Z$ , the diode conducts again, this time in the reverse direction.

### 9.3 CIRCUIT MODELS FOR THE SEMICONDUCTOR DIODE

From the viewpoint of a *user* of electronic circuits (as opposed to a *designer*), it is often sufficient to characterize a device in terms of its  $i$ - $v$  characteristic, using either load-line analysis or appropriate circuit models to determine the operating currents and voltages. This section shows how it is possible to use the  $i$ - $v$  characteristics of the semiconductor diode to construct simple yet useful *circuit models*. Depending on the desired level of detail, it is possible to construct *large-signal models* of the diode, which describe the gross behavior of the device in the presence of relatively large voltages and currents; or *small-signal models*, which are capable of describing the



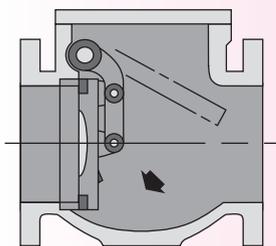


## Hydraulic Check Valves



To understand the operation of the semiconductor diode intuitively, we make reference to a very common hydraulic device that finds application whenever one wishes to restrict the flow of a fluid to a single direction and to prevent (check) reverse flow. Hydraulic **check valves** perform this task in a number of ways. We illustrate a few examples in this box.

Figure 1 depicts a *swing check valve*. In this design, flow from left to right is permitted, as the greater fluid pressure on the left side of the valve forces the swing “door” to open. If flow were to reverse, the reversal of fluid pressure (greater pressure on the right) would cause the swing door to shut.



**Figure 1**

Figure 2 depicts a *flapper check valve*. The principle is similar to that described above for the

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behavior of the diode in finer detail and, in particular, the response of the diode to small changes in the average diode voltage and current. From the user’s standpoint, these circuit models greatly simplify the analysis of diode circuits and make it possible to effectively analyze relatively “difficult” circuits simply by using the familiar circuit analysis tools of Chapter 3. The first two major divisions of this section describe different diode models and the assumptions under which they are obtained, to provide the knowledge you will need to select and use the appropriate model for a given application.

## Large-Signal Diode Models

### Ideal Diode Model

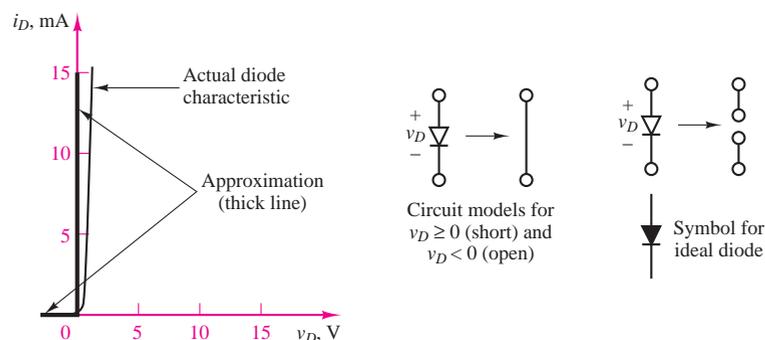
Our first large-signal model treats the diode as a simple on/off device (much like a check valve in hydraulic circuits; see the “Make The Connection” sidebar “Hydraulic Check Valves”).

Figure 9.11 illustrates how, on a large scale, the  $i$ - $v$  characteristic of a typical diode may be approximated by an open circuit when  $v_D < 0$  and by a short circuit when  $v_D \geq 0$  (recall the  $i$ - $v$  curves of the ideal short and open circuits presented in Chapter 2). The analysis of a circuit containing a diode may be greatly simplified by using the short-circuit–open-circuit model. From here on, this diode model will be known as the **ideal diode model**. In spite of its simplicity, the ideal diode model (indicated by the symbol shown in Figure 9.11) can be very useful in analyzing diode circuits.

In the remainder of the chapter, ideal diodes will always be represented by the filled (black) triangle symbol shown in Figure 9.11.

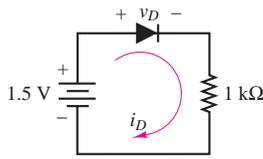
Consider the circuit shown in Figure 9.12, which contains a 1.5-V battery, an ideal diode, and a 1-k $\Omega$  resistor. A technique will now be developed to determine whether the diode is conducting or not, with the aid of the ideal diode model.

Assume first that the diode is conducting (or, equivalently, that  $v_D \geq 0$ ). This enables us to substitute a short circuit in place of the diode, as shown in Figure 9.13, since the diode is now represented by a short circuit,  $v_D = 0$ . This is consistent with the initial assumption (i.e., diode “on”), since the diode is assumed to conduct for

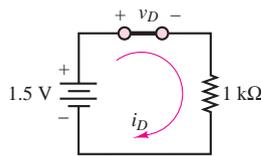


**Figure 9.11** Large-signal on/off diode model

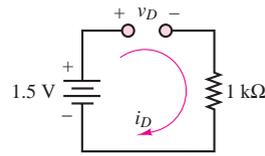




**Figure 9.12** Circuit containing ideal diode



**Figure 9.13** Circuit of Figure 9.12, assuming that the ideal diode conducts



**Figure 9.14** Circuit of Figure 9.12, assuming that the ideal diode does not conduct

$v_D \geq 0$  and since  $v_D = 0$  does not contradict the assumption. The series current in the circuit (and through the diode) is  $i_D = 1.5/1,000 = 1.5$  mA. To summarize, the assumption that the diode is on in the circuit of Figure 9.13 allows us to assume a positive (clockwise) current in the circuit. Since the direction of the current and the diode voltage are consistent with the assumption that the diode is on ( $v_D \geq 0$ ,  $i_D > 0$ ), it must be concluded that the diode is indeed conducting.

Suppose, now, that the diode had been assumed to be off. In this case, the diode would be represented by an open circuit, as shown in Figure 9.14. Applying KVL to the circuit of Figure 9.14 reveals that the voltage  $v_D$  must equal the battery voltage, or  $v_D = 1.5$  V, since the diode is assumed to be an open circuit and no current flows through the circuit. Equation 9.8 must then apply.

$$1.5 = v_D + 1,000i_D = v_D \quad (9.8)$$

But the result  $v_D = 1.5$  V is contrary to the initial assumption (that is,  $v_D < 0$ ). Thus, assuming that the diode is off leads to an inconsistent answer. Clearly, the assumption must be incorrect, and therefore the diode must be conducting.

This method can be very useful in more involved circuits, where it is not quite so obvious whether a diode is seeing a positive or a negative bias. The method is particularly effective in these cases, since one can make an educated guess whether the diode is on or off and can solve the resulting circuit to verify the correctness of the initial assumption. Some solved examples are perhaps the best way to illustrate the concept.

## FOCUS ON METHODOLOGY

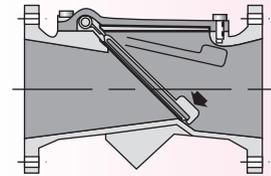
### DETERMINING THE CONDUCTION STATE OF AN IDEAL DIODE

1. Assume a diode conduction state (on or off).
2. Substitute ideal circuit model into circuit (short circuit if “on,” open circuit if “off”).
3. Solve for diode current and voltage, using linear circuit analysis techniques.
4. If the solution is consistent with the assumption, then the initial assumption was correct; if not, the diode conduction state is opposite to that initially assumed. For example, if the diode has been assumed to be “off” but the diode voltage computed after replacing the diode with an open circuit is a forward bias, then it must be true that the actual state of the diode is “on.”



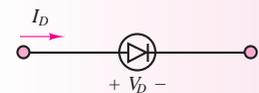
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swing check valve. In Figure 2, fluid flow is permitted from left to right, and not in the reverse direction. The response of the valve of Figure 2 is faster (due to the shorter travel distance of the flapper) than that of Figure 1.



**Figure 2**

You will find the analysis of the diode circuits in this chapter much easier to understand intuitively if you visualize the behavior of the diode to be similar to that of the check valves shown here, with the pressure difference across the valve orifice being analogous to the voltage across the diode and the fluid flow rate being analogous to the current through the diode. Figure 3 depicts the diode circuit symbol. Current flows only from left to right whenever the voltage across the diode is positive, and no current flows when the diode voltage is reversed. The circuit element of Figure 3 is functionally analogous to the two check valves of Figures 1 and 2.



**Figure 3**



### EXAMPLE 9.1 Determining the Conduction State of an Ideal Diode

#### Problem

Determine whether the ideal diode of Figure 9.15 is conducting.

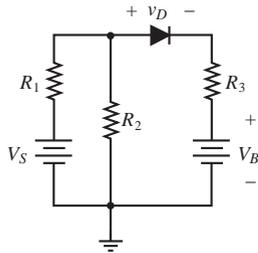


Figure 9.15

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:**  $V_S = 12\text{ V}$ ;  $V_B = 11\text{ V}$ ;  $R_1 = 5\ \Omega$ ;  $R_2 = 10\ \Omega$ ;  $R_3 = 10\ \Omega$ .

**Find:** The conduction state of the diode.

**Assumptions:** Use the ideal diode model.

**Analysis:** Assume initially that the ideal diode does not conduct, and replace it with an open circuit, as shown in Figure 9.16. The voltage across  $R_2$  can then be computed by using the voltage divider rule:

$$v_1 = \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} V_S = \frac{10}{5 + 10} 12 = 8\text{ V}$$

Applying KVL to the right-hand-side mesh (and observing that no current flows in the circuit since the diode is assumed off), we obtain

$$v_1 = v_D + V_B \quad \text{or} \quad v_D = 8 - 11 = -3\text{ V}$$

The result indicates that the diode is reverse-biased, and confirms the initial assumption. Thus, the diode is not conducting.

As further illustration, let us make the opposite assumption and assume that the diode conducts. In this case, we should replace the diode with a short circuit, as shown in Figure 9.17. The resulting circuit is solved by node analysis, noting that  $v_1 = v_2$  since the diode is assumed to act as a short circuit.

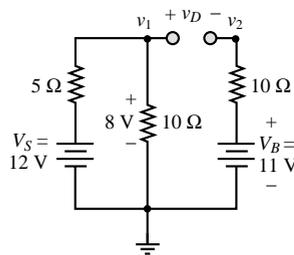


Figure 9.16

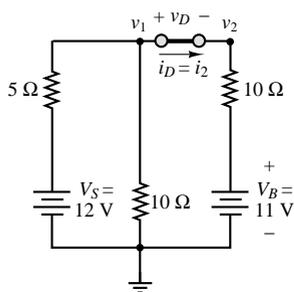


Figure 9.17

$$\frac{V_S - v_1}{R_1} = \frac{v_1}{R_2} + \frac{v_1 - V_B}{R_3}$$

$$\frac{V_S}{R_1} + \frac{V_B}{R_3} = \frac{v_1}{R_1} + \frac{v_1}{R_2} + \frac{v_1}{R_3}$$

$$\frac{12}{5} + \frac{11}{10} = \left( \frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{10} + \frac{1}{10} \right) v_1$$

$$v_1 = 2.5(2.4 + 1.1) = 8.75\text{ V}$$

Since  $v_1 = v_2 < V_B = 11\text{ V}$ , we must conclude that current is flowing in the reverse direction (from  $V_B$  to node  $v_2/v_1$ ) through the diode. This observation is inconsistent with the initial assumption, since if the diode were conducting, we could see current flow only in the forward direction. Thus, the initial assumption was incorrect, and we must conclude that the diode is not conducting.

**Comments:** The formulation of diode problems illustrated in this example is based on making an initial assumption. The assumption results in replacing the ideal diode with either a short or an open circuit. Once this step is completed, the resulting circuit is a linear circuit and can be solved by known methods to verify the consistency of the initial assumption.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

If the resistor  $R_2$  is removed from the circuit of Figure 9.15, will the diode conduct?

Answer: Yes

## EXAMPLE 9.2 Determining the Conduction State of an Ideal Diode



### Problem

Determine whether the ideal diode of Figure 9.18 is conducting.

### Solution

**Known Quantities:**  $V_S = 12\text{ V}$ ;  $V_B = 11\text{ V}$ ;  $R_1 = 5\ \Omega$ ;  $R_2 = 4\ \Omega$ .

**Find:** The conduction state of the diode.

**Assumptions:** Use the ideal diode model.

**Analysis:** Assume initially that the ideal diode does not conduct, and replace it with an open circuit, as shown in Figure 9.19. The current flowing in the resulting series circuit (shown in Figure 9.19) is

$$i = \frac{V_S - V_B}{R_1 + R_2} = \frac{1}{9}\text{ A}$$

The voltage at node  $v_1$  is

$$\frac{12 - v_1}{5} = \frac{v_1 - 11}{4}$$

$$v_1 = 11.44\text{ V}$$

The result indicates that the diode is strongly reverse-biased, since  $v_D = 0 - v_1 = -11.44\text{ V}$ , and confirms the initial assumption. Thus, the diode is not conducting.

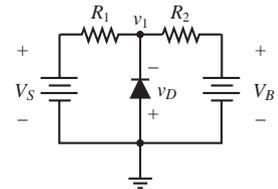


Figure 9.18

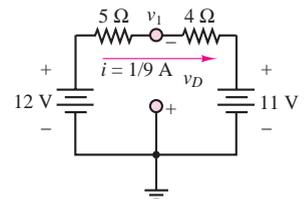


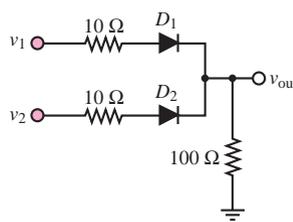
Figure 9.19

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Repeat the analysis of Example 9.2, assuming that the diode is conducting, and show that this assumption leads to inconsistent results.

Determine which of the diodes conduct in the circuit shown in the figure, for each of the following voltages. Treat the diodes as ideal.

- $v_1 = 0 \text{ V}; v_2 = 0 \text{ V}$
- $v_1 = 5 \text{ V}; v_2 = 5 \text{ V}$
- $v_1 = 0 \text{ V}; v_2 = 5 \text{ V}$
- $v_1 = 5 \text{ V}; v_2 = 0 \text{ V}$



Answers: (a) Neither; (b) both; (c)  $D_2$  only; (d)  $D_1$  only

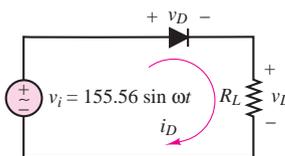


Figure 9.20

One of the important applications of the semiconductor diode is in **rectification** of AC signals, that is, the ability to convert an AC signal with zero average (DC) value to a signal with a nonzero DC value. The application of the semiconductor diode as a rectifier is very useful in obtaining DC voltage supplies from the readily available AC line voltage. Here, we illustrate the basic principle of rectification, using an ideal diode—for simplicity, and because the large-signal model is appropriate when the diode is used in applications involving large AC voltage and current levels.

Consider the circuit of Figure 9.20, where an AC source  $v_i = 155.56 \sin \omega t$  is connected to a load by means of a series ideal diode. From the analysis of Example 9.1, it should be apparent that the diode will conduct only during the positive half-cycle of the sinusoidal voltage—that is, that the condition  $v_D \geq 0$  will be satisfied only when the AC source voltage is positive—and that it will act as an open circuit during the negative half-cycle of the sinusoid ( $v_D < 0$ ). Thus, the appearance of the load voltage will be as shown in Figure 9.21, with the negative portion of the sinusoidal waveform cut off. The rectified waveform clearly has a nonzero DC (average) voltage, whereas the average input waveform voltage was zero. When the diode is conducting, or  $v_D \geq 0$ , the unknowns  $v_L$  and  $i_D$  can be found by using the following equations:

$$i_D = \frac{v_i}{R_L} \quad \text{when} \quad v_i > 0 \quad (9.9)$$

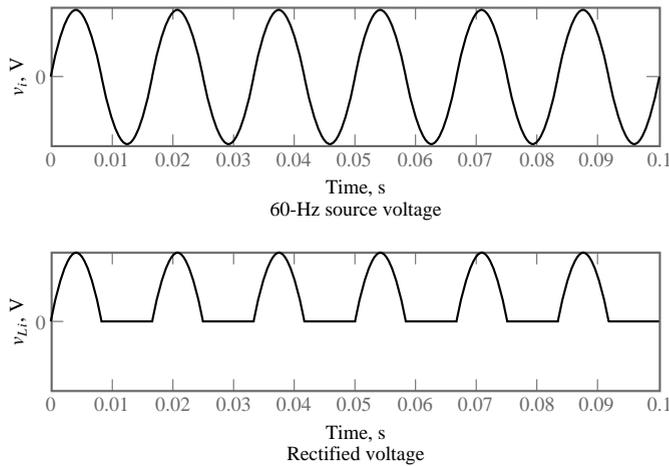
and

$$v_L = i_D R_L \quad (9.10)$$

The load voltage  $v_L$  and the input voltage  $v_i$  are sketched in Figure 9.21. From equation 9.10, it is obvious that the current waveform has the same shape as the load voltage. The average value of the load voltage is obtained by integrating the load voltage over one period and dividing by the period:

$$v_{\text{load, DC}} = \frac{\omega}{2\pi} \int_0^{\pi/\omega} 155.56 \sin \omega t \, dt = \frac{155.56}{\pi} = 49.52 \text{ V} \quad (9.11)$$

The circuit of Figure 9.20 is called a **half-wave rectifier**, since it preserves only one-half of the waveform. This is not usually a very efficient way of rectifying an



**Figure 9.21** Ideal diode rectifier input and output voltages

AC signal, since one-half of the energy in the AC signal is not recovered. It will be shown in a later section that it is possible to recover also the negative half of the AC waveform by means of a *full-wave rectifier*.

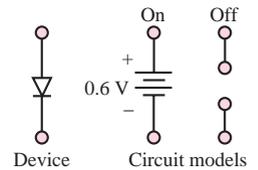
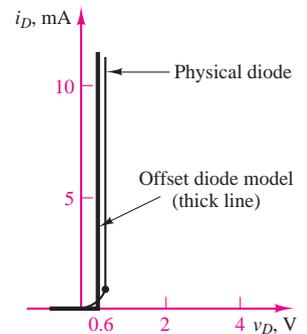
**Offset Diode Model**

While the ideal diode model is useful in approximating the large-scale characteristics of a physical diode, it does not account for the presence of an offset voltage, which is an unavoidable component in semiconductor diodes (recall the discussion of the contact potential in Section 9.2). The **offset diode model** consists of an ideal diode in series with a battery of strength equal to the offset voltage (we shall use the value  $V_\gamma = 0.6\text{ V}$  for silicon diodes, unless otherwise indicated). The effect of the battery is to shift the characteristic of the ideal diode to the right on the voltage axis, as shown in Figure 9.22. This model is a better approximation of the large-signal behavior of a semiconductor diode than the ideal diode model.

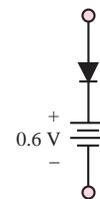
According to the offset diode model, the diode of Figure 9.22 acts as an open circuit for  $v_D < 0.6\text{ V}$ , and it behaves as a 0.6-V battery for  $v_D \geq 0.6\text{ V}$ . The equations describing the offset diode model are as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 v_D \geq 0.6\text{ V} & \quad \text{Diode} \rightarrow 0.6\text{-V battery} \\
 v_D < 0.6\text{ V} & \quad \text{Diode} \rightarrow \text{open circuit}
 \end{aligned}
 \quad \text{Offset diode model} \quad (9.12)$$

The offset diode model may be represented by an ideal diode in series with a 0.6-V ideal battery, as shown in Figure 9.23. Use of the offset diode model is best described by means of examples.



**Figure 9.22**



**Figure 9.23** Offset diode as an extension of ideal diode model

**EXAMPLE 9.3 Using the Offset Diode Model in a Half-Wave Rectifier**

**Problem**

Compute and plot the rectified load voltage  $v_R$  in the circuit of Figure 9.24.



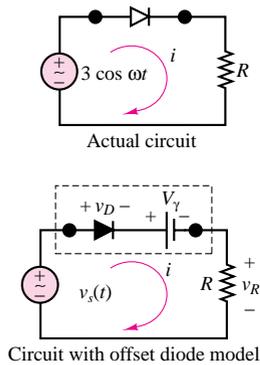


Figure 9.24

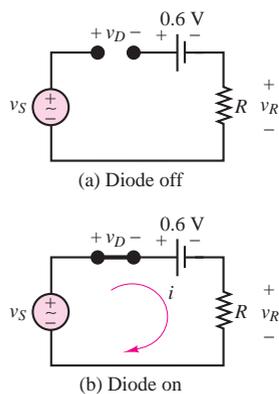


Figure 9.25

**Solution**

**Known Quantities:**  $v_S(t) = 3 \cos \omega t$ ;  $V_\gamma = 0.6 \text{ V}$ .

**Find:** An analytical expression for the load voltage.

**Assumptions:** Use the offset diode model.

**Analysis:** We start by replacing the diode with the offset diode model, as shown in the lower half of Figure 9.24. Now we can use the method developed earlier for ideal diode analysis; that is, we can focus on determining whether the voltage  $v_D$  across the ideal diode is positive (diode on) or negative (diode off).

Assume first that the diode is off. The resulting circuit is shown in Figure 9.25(a). Since no current flows in the circuit, we obtain the following expression for  $v_D$ :

$$v_D = v_S - 0.6$$

To be consistent with the assumption that the diode is off, we require that  $v_D$  be negative, which in turn corresponds to

$$v_S < 0.6 \text{ V} \quad \text{Diode off condition}$$

With the diode off, the current in the circuit is zero, and the load voltage is also zero. If the source voltage is greater than 0.6 V, the diode conducts, and the current flowing in the circuit and resulting load voltage are given by the expressions

$$i = \frac{v_S - 0.6}{R} \quad v_R = iR = v_S - 0.6$$

We summarize these results as follows:

$$v_R = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } v_S < 0.6 \text{ V} \\ v_S - 0.6 & \text{for } v_S \geq 0.6 \text{ V} \end{cases}$$

The resulting waveform is plotted with  $v_S$  in Figure 9.26.

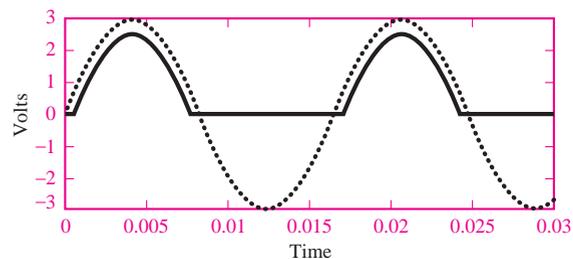


Figure 9.26 Source voltage (dotted curve) and rectified voltage (solid curve) for the circuit of Figure 9.24.

**Comments:** Note that use of the offset diode model leads to problems that are very similar to ideal diode problems, with the addition of a voltage source in the circuit.

Also observe that the load voltage waveform is shifted downward by an amount equal to the offset voltage  $V_\gamma$ . The shift is visible in the case of this example because  $V_\gamma$  is a substantial fraction of the source voltage. If the source voltage had peak values of tens or hundreds of volts, such a shift would be negligible, and an ideal diode model would serve just as well.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Compute the DC value of the rectified waveform for the circuit of Figure 9.20 for  $v_i = 52 \cos \omega t$  V.

Answer: 16.55 V

## EXAMPLE 9.4 Using the Offset Diode Model

### Problem

Use the offset diode model to determine the value of  $v_1$  for which diode  $D_1$  first conducts in the circuit of Figure 9.27.

### Solution

**Known Quantities:**  $V_B = 2$  V;  $R_1 = 1$  k $\Omega$ ;  $R_2 = 500$   $\Omega$ ;  $V_\gamma = 0.6$  V.

**Find:** The lowest value of  $v_1$  for which diode  $D_1$  conducts.

**Assumptions:** Use the offset diode model.

**Analysis:** We start by replacing the diode with the offset diode model, as shown in Figure 9.28. Based on our experience with previous examples, we can state immediately that if  $v_1$  is negative, the diode will certainly be off. To determine the point at which the diode turns on as  $v_1$  is increased, we write the circuit equation, assuming that the diode is off. If you were conducting a laboratory experiment, you might monitor  $v_1$  and progressively increase it until the diode conducts; the equation below is an analytical version of this experiment. With the diode off, no current flows through  $R_1$ , and

$$v_1 = v_{D1} + V_\gamma + V_B$$

According to this equation,

$$v_{D1} = v_1 - 2.6$$

and the condition required for the diode to conduct is

$$v_1 > 2.6 \text{ V} \quad \text{Diode "on" condition}$$

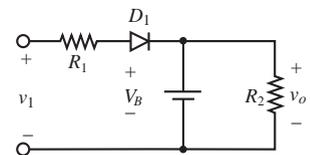


Figure 9.27

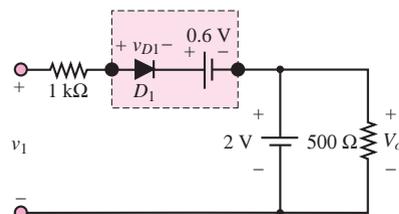
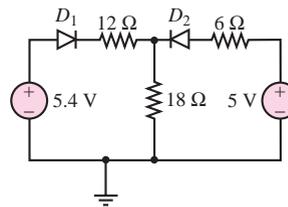


Figure 9.28

**Comments:** Once again, the offset diode model permits use of the same analysis method that was developed for the ideal diode model.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Determine which of the diodes conduct in the circuit shown below. Each diode has an offset voltage of 0.6 V.



Answer: Both diodes conduct.

## Small-Signal Diode Models

As one examines the diode  $i$ - $v$  characteristic more closely, it becomes apparent that the short-circuit approximation is not adequate to represent the *small-signal behavior* of the diode. The term *small-signal behavior* usually signifies the response of the diode to small time-varying signals that may be superimposed on the average diode current and voltage. Figure 9.8 depicts a close-up view of a silicon diode  $i$ - $v$  curve. From this figure, it should be apparent that the short-circuit approximation is not very accurate when a diode's behavior is viewed on an expanded scale. To a first-order approximation, however, the  $i$ - $v$  characteristic resembles that of a resistor (i.e., is linear) for voltages greater than the offset voltage. Thus, it may be reasonable to model the diode as a resistor (instead of a short circuit) *once it is conducting*, to account for the slope of its  $i$ - $v$  curve. In the following discussion, the method of load-line analysis (which was introduced in Chapter 3) is exploited to determine the **small-signal resistance** of a diode.

Consider the circuit of Figure 9.29, which represents the Thévenin equivalent circuit of an arbitrary linear resistive circuit connected to a diode. Equations 9.13 and 9.14 describe the operation of the circuit:

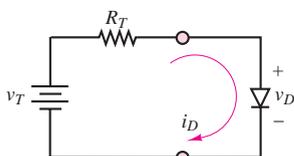
$$v_T = i_D R_T + v_D \quad (9.13)$$

arises from application of KVL, and

$$i_D = I_0(e^{q v_D / k T} - 1) \quad (9.14)$$

is the diode equation (9.6).

Although we have two equations in two unknowns, these cannot be solved analytically, since one of the equations contains  $v_D$  in exponential form. As discussed in Chapter 3, two methods exist for the solution of *transcendental equations* of this type: graphical and numerical. In the present case, only the graphical solution shall

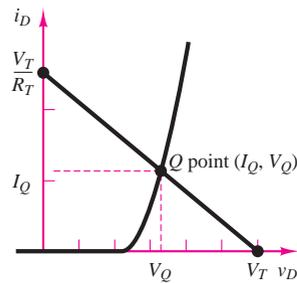


**Figure 9.29** Diode circuit for illustration of load-line analysis

be considered. The graphical solution is best understood if we associate a curve in the  $i_D$ - $v_D$  plane with each of the two preceding equations. The diode equation gives rise to the familiar curve of Figure 9.8. The *load-line equation*, obtained by KVL, is the equation of a line with slope  $-1/R$  and ordinate intercept given by  $V_T/R_T$ .

$$i_D = -\frac{1}{R_T}v_D + \frac{1}{R_T}V_T \quad \text{Load-line equation} \quad (9.15)$$

The superposition of these two curves gives rise to the plot of Figure 9.30, where the solution to the two equations is graphically found to be the pair of values  $(I_Q, V_Q)$ . The intersection of the two curves is called the **quiescent (operating) point**, or **Q point**. The voltage  $v_D = V_Q$  and the current  $i_D = I_Q$  are the actual diode voltage and current when the diode is connected as in the circuit of Figure 9.29. Note that this method is also useful for circuits containing a larger number of elements, provided that we can represent these circuits by their Thévenin equivalents, with the diode appearing as the load.



**Figure 9.30** Graphical solution of equations 9.13 and 9.14

## FOCUS ON METHODOLOGY

### DETERMINING THE OPERATING POINT OF A DIODE

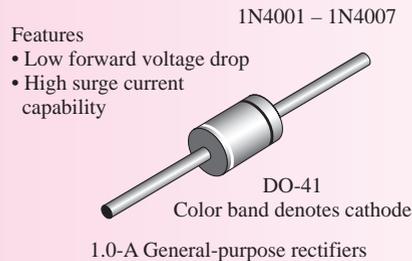
1. Reduce the circuit to a Thévenin or Norton equivalent circuit with the diode as the load.
2. Write the load-line equation (9.15).
3. Solve numerically two simultaneous equations in two unknowns (the load-line equations and the diode equation) for the diode current and voltage.  
*or*
4. Solve graphically by finding the intersection of the diode curve (e.g., from a data sheet) with the load-line curve. The intersection of the two curves is the diode operating point.



## FOCUS ON METHODOLOGY

### USING DEVICE DATA SHEETS

One of the most important design tools available to engineers is the **device data sheet**. In this box we illustrate the use of a device data sheet for the 1N400X diode. This is a *general-purpose rectifier* diode, designed to conduct average currents in the 1.0-A range. Excerpts from the data sheet are shown below, with some words of explanation.



### ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS

The table below summarizes the limitations of the device. For example, in the first column one can find the maximum allowable average current (1 A) and the maximum *surge current*, which is the maximum short-time burst current the diode can sustain without being destroyed. Also mentioned are the **power rating** and operating temperatures. Note that in the entry for the total device power dissipation, **derating** information is also given. Derating implies that the device power dissipation will change as a function of temperature, in this case at the rate of 20 mW/°C. For example, if we expect to operate the diode at a temperature of 100°C, we calculate a derated power of

$$P = 2.5 \text{ W} - (75^\circ\text{C} \times 0.02 \text{ mW}/^\circ\text{C}) = 1.0 \text{ W}$$

Thus, the diode operated at a higher temperature can dissipate only 1 W.

#### Absolute Maximum Ratings\* $T = 25^\circ\text{C}$ unless otherwise noted

Symbol	Parameter	Value	Units
$I_0$	Average rectified current 0.375-in lead length @ $T_A = 75^\circ\text{C}$	1.0	A
$i_{t(\text{surge})}$	Peak forward surge current 8.3-ms single half-sine-wave Superimposed on rated load (JEDEC method)	30	A
$P_D$	Total device dissipation Derate above $25^\circ\text{C}$	2.5 20	W mW/°C
$R_{\theta JA}$	Thermal resistance, junction to ambient	50	°C/W
$T_{\text{stg}}$	Storage temperature range	-55 to +175	°C
$T_J$	Operating junction temperature	-55 to +150	°C

\*These ratings are limiting values above which the serviceability of any semiconductor device may be impaired.

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## ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

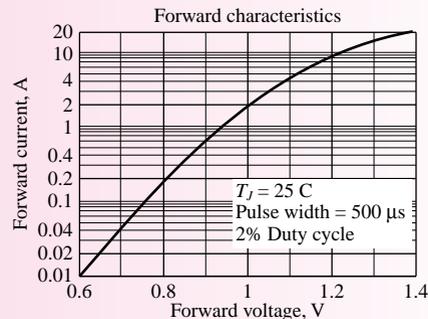
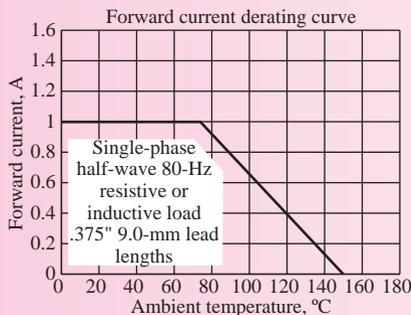
The section on electrical characteristics summarizes some of the important voltage and current specifications of the diode. For example, the maximum DC reverse voltage is listed for each diode in the 1N400X family. Similarly, you will find information on the maximum forward voltage, reverse current, and typical junction capacitance.

**Electrical Characteristics**  $T = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$  unless otherwise noted

Parameter	Device							Units
	4001	4002	4003	4004	4005	4006	4007	
Peak repetitive reverse voltage	50	100	200	400	600	800	1,000	V
Maximum rms voltage	35	70	140	280	420	560	700	V
DC reverse voltage (rated $V_R$ )	50	100	200	400	600	800	1,000	V
Maximum reverse current @ rated $V_R$ $T_A = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$ $T_A = 100^{\circ}\text{C}$								$\mu\text{A}$ $\mu\text{A}$
Maximum forward voltage @ 1.0 A								V
Maximum full-load reverse current, full cycle $T_A = 75^{\circ}\text{C}$								$\mu\text{A}$
Typical junction capacitance $V_R = 4.0\text{ V}, f = 1.0\text{ MHz}$								pF

## TYPICAL CHARACTERISTIC CURVES

Device data sheets always include characteristic curves that may be useful to a designer. In this example, we include the forward-current derating curve, in which the maximum forward current is derated as a function of temperature. To illustrate this curve, we point out that at a temperature of  $100^{\circ}\text{C}$  the maximum diode current is around 0.65 A (down from 1 A). A second curve is related to the diode forward current versus forward voltage (note that this curve was obtained for a very particular type of input, consisting of a pulse of width equal to  $300\ \mu\text{s}$  and 2 percent duty cycle).





### EXAMPLE 9.5 Using Load-Line Analysis and Diode Curves to Determine the Operating Point of a Diode

#### Problem

Determine the operating point of the 1N914 diode in the circuit of Figure 9.31, and compute the total power output of the 12-V battery.

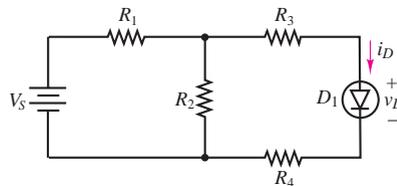


Figure 9.31

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:**  $V_S = 12\text{ V}$ ;  $R_1 = 50\ \Omega$ ;  $R_2 = 10\ \Omega$ ;  $R_3 = 20\ \Omega$ ;  $R_4 = 20\ \Omega$ .

**Find:** The diode operating voltage and current and the power supplied by the battery.

**Assumptions:** Use the diode nonlinear model, as described by its  $i$ - $v$  curve (Figure 9.32).

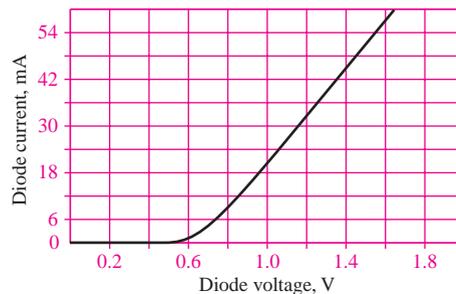


Figure 9.32 The 1N914 diode  $i$ - $v$  curve

**Analysis:** We first compute the Thévenin equivalent representation of the circuit of Figure 9.31 to reduce it to prepare the circuit for load-line analysis (see Figures 9.29 and 9.30).

$$R_T = R_1 + R_2 + (R_3 \parallel R_4) = 20 + 20 + (10 \parallel 50) = 48.33\ \Omega$$

$$V_T = \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} V_S = \frac{10}{60} 12 = 2\text{ V}$$

The equivalent circuit is shown in Figure 9.33. Next we plot the load line (see Figure 9.30), with  $y$  intercept  $V_T/R_T = 41\text{ mA}$  and with  $x$  intercept  $V_T = 2\text{ V}$ ; the diode curve and load line are shown in Figure 9.34. The intersection of the two curves is the *quiescent* ( $Q$ ) or *operating point* of the diode, which is given by the values  $V_Q = 1.0\text{ V}$ ,  $I_Q = 21\text{ mA}$ .

To determine the battery power output, we observe that the power supplied by the battery is  $P_B = 12 \times I_B$  and that  $I_B$  is equal to current through  $R_1$ . Upon further inspection, we see that the battery current must, by KCL, be equal to the sum of the currents through  $R_2$  and through the diode. We already know the current through the diode  $I_Q$ . To determine the current through

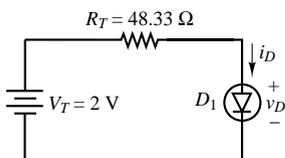
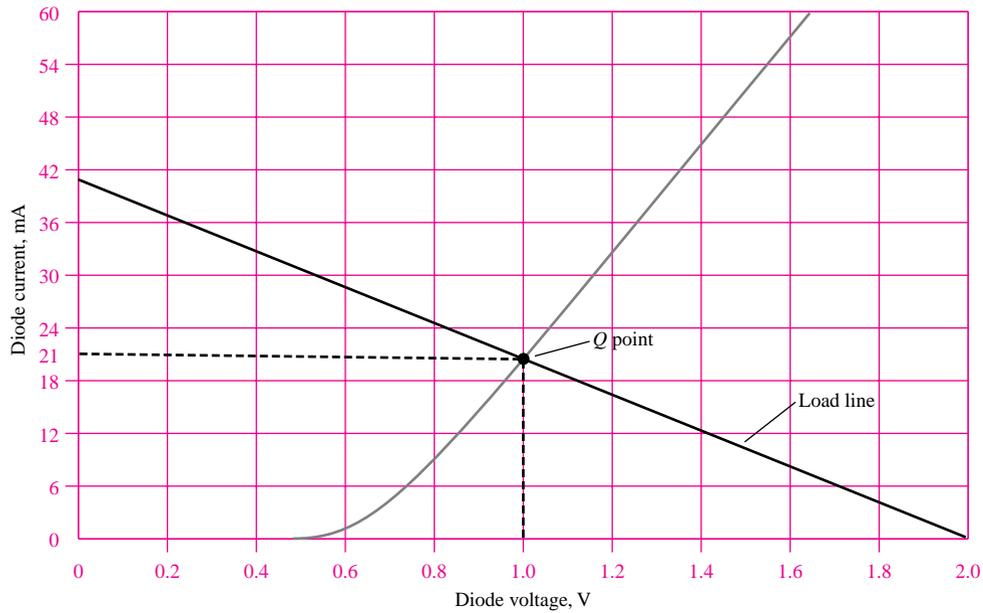


Figure 9.33



**Figure 9.34** Superposition of load line and diode  $i$ - $v$  curve

$R_2$ , we observe that the voltage across  $R_2$  is equal to the sum of the voltages across  $R_3$ ,  $R_4$ , and  $D_1$ :

$$V_{R_2} = I_Q(R_3 + R_4) + V_Q = 0.021 \times 40 + 1 = 1.84 \text{ V}$$

and therefore the current through  $R_2$  is  $I_{R_2} = V_{R_2}/R_2 = 0.184 \text{ A}$ .

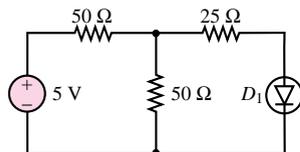
Finally,

$$P_B = 12 \times I_B = 12 \times (0.021 + 0.184) = 12 \times 0.205 = 2.46 \text{ W}$$

**Comments:** Graphical solutions are not the only means of solving the nonlinear equations that result from using a nonlinear model for a diode. The same equations could be solved numerically by using a nonlinear equation solver.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Use load-line analysis to determine the operating point ( $Q$  point) of the diode in the circuit shown in figure. The diode has the characteristic curve of Figure 9.32.



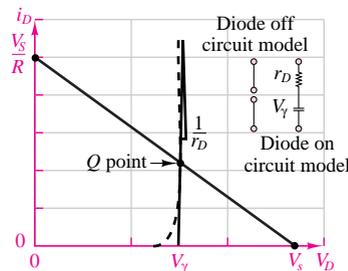
Answer:  $V_Q = 1.11 \text{ V}$ ,  $I_Q = 27.7 \text{ mA}$

## Piecewise Linear Diode Model

The graphical solution of diode circuits can be somewhat tedious, and its accuracy is limited by the resolution of the graph; it does, however, provide insight into the **piecewise linear diode model**. In the piecewise linear model, the diode is treated as an open circuit in the off state and as a linear resistor in series with  $V_\gamma$  in the on state. Figure 9.35 illustrates the graphical appearance of this model. Note that the straight line that approximates the on part of the diode characteristic is tangent to the  $Q$  point. Thus, in the neighborhood of the  $Q$  point, the diode does act as a linear small-signal resistance, with slope given by  $1/r_D$ , where

$$\frac{1}{r_D} = \left. \frac{\partial i_D}{\partial v_D} \right|_{(i_Q, v_Q)} \quad \text{Diode incremental resistance} \quad (9.16)$$

That is, it acts as a linear resistance whose  $i$ - $v$  characteristic is the tangent to the diode curve at the operating point. The tangent is extended to meet the voltage axis, thus defining the intersection as the diode offset voltage. Thus, rather than represent the diode by a short circuit in its forward-biased state, we treat it as a linear resistor, with resistance  $r_D$ . The piecewise linear model offers the convenience of a linear representation once the state of the diode is established, and of a more accurate model than either the ideal or the offset diode model. This model is very useful in illustrating the performance of diodes in real-world applications.



**Figure 9.35** Piecewise linear diode model



### EXAMPLE 9.6 Computing the Incremental (Small-Signal) Resistance of a Diode

#### Problem

Determine the incremental resistance of a diode, using the diode equation.

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:**  $I_0 = 10^{-14}$  A;  $kT/q = 0.025$  V (at  $T = 300$  K);  $I_Q = 50$  mA.

**Find:** The diode small-signal resistance  $r_D$ .

**Assumptions:** Use the approximate diode equation (equation 9.7).

**Analysis:** The approximate diode equation relates diode voltage and current according to

$$i_D = I_0 e^{qv_D/kT}$$

From the preceding expression we can compute the incremental resistance, using equation 9.16:

$$\frac{1}{r_D} = \left. \frac{\partial i_D}{\partial v_D} \right|_{(I_Q, V_Q)} = \frac{qI_0}{kT} e^{qV_Q/kT}$$

To calculate the numerical value of the above expression, we must first compute the quiescent diode voltage corresponding to the quiescent current  $I_Q = 50 \text{ mA}$ :

$$V_Q = \frac{kT}{q} \log_e \frac{I_Q}{I_0} = 0.731 \text{ V}$$

Substituting the numerical value of  $V_Q$  in the expression for  $r_D$ , we obtain

$$\frac{1}{r_D} = \frac{10^{-14}}{0.025} e^{0.731/0.025} = 2 \text{ S} \quad \text{or} \quad r_D = 0.5 \Omega$$

**Comments:** It is important to understand that while one can calculate the linearized incremental resistance of a diode at an operating point, this does not mean that the diode can be treated simply as a resistor. The linearized small-signal resistance of the diode is used in the piecewise linear diode model to account for the fact that there is a dependence between diode voltage and current (i.e., the diode  $i$ - $v$  curve is not exactly a vertical line for voltages above the offset voltage—see Figure 9.35).

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Compute the incremental resistance of the diode of Example 9.6 if the current through the diode is 250 mA.

Answer:  $r_D = 0.1 \Omega$

## EXAMPLE 9.7 Using the Piecewise Linear Diode Model

### Problem

Determine the load voltage in the rectifier of Figure 9.36, using a piecewise linear approximation.

### Solution

**Known Quantities:**  $v_S(t) = 10 \cos \omega t$ ;  $V_\gamma = 0.6 \text{ V}$ ;  $r_D = 0.5 \Omega$ ;  $R_S = 1 \Omega$ ;  $R_L = 10 \Omega$ .

**Find:** The load voltage  $v_L$ .

**Assumptions:** Use the piecewise linear diode model (Figure 9.35).

**Analysis:** We replace the diode in the circuit of Figure 9.36 with the piecewise linear model, as shown in Figure 9.37. Next, we determine the conduction condition for the ideal diode by

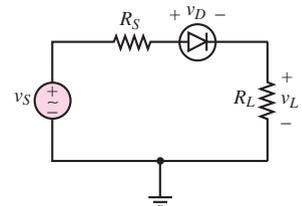


Figure 9.36

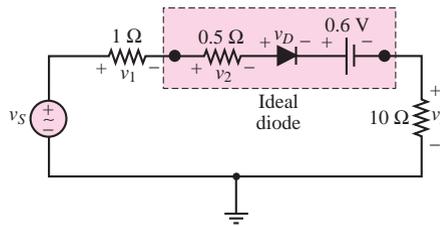


Figure 9.37

applying KVL to the circuit of Figure 9.37:

$$v_S = v_1 + v_2 + v_D + 0.6 + v_L$$

$$v_D = v_S - v_1 - v_2 - 0.6 - v_L$$

We use the above equation as was done in Example 9.4, that is, to determine the source voltage value for which the diode first conducts. Observe first that the diode will be off for negative values of  $v_S$ . With the diode off, that is, an open circuit, the voltages  $v_1$ ,  $v_2$ , and  $v_L$  are zero and

$$v_D = v_S - 0.6$$

Thus, the condition for the ideal diode to conduct ( $v_D > 0$ ) corresponds to

$$v_S \geq 0.6 \text{ V} \quad \text{Diode on condition}$$

Once the diode conducts, we replace the ideal diode with a short circuit and compute the load voltage, using the voltage divider rule. The resulting load equations are

$$v_L = \begin{cases} 0 & v_S < 0.6 \text{ V} \\ \frac{R_L}{R_S + r_D + R_L} (v_S - V_\gamma) = 8.7 \cos \omega t - 0.52 & v_S \geq 0.6 \text{ V} \end{cases}$$

The source and load voltage are plotted in Figure 9.38(a).

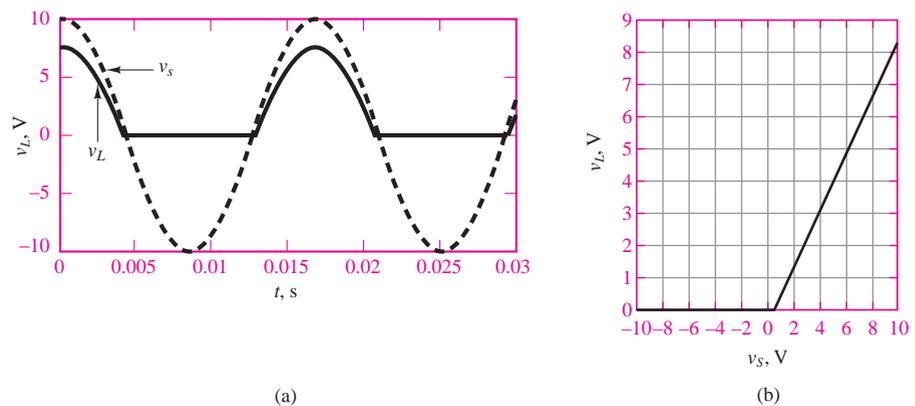


Figure 9.38 (a) Source voltage and rectified load voltage; (b) voltage transfer characteristic

It is instructive to compute the *transfer characteristic* of the diode circuit by generating a plot of  $v_L$  versus  $v_S$ . This is done with reference to the equation for  $v_L$  given above; the result is plotted in Figure 9.38(b).

**Comments:** The methods developed in this example will be very useful in analyzing some practical diode circuits in the next section.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Consider a half-wave rectifier similar to that of Figure 9.20, with  $v_i = 18 \cos t$  V, and a  $4\text{-}\Omega$  load resistor. Sketch the output waveform if the piecewise linear diode model is used to represent the diode, with  $V_\gamma = 0.6$  V and  $r_D = 1$   $\Omega$ . What is the peak value of the rectifier output waveform?

Answer:  $V_{L,\text{peak}} = 13.92$  V

## 9.4 RECTIFIER CIRCUITS

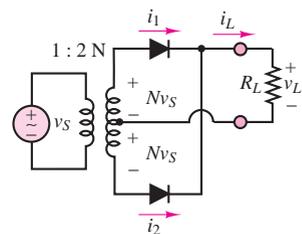
This section illustrates some of the applications of diodes to practical engineering circuits. The nonlinear behavior of diodes, especially the rectification property, makes these devices valuable in a number of applications. In this section, more advanced rectifier circuits (the **full-wave rectifier** and the **bridge rectifier**) will be explored, as well as **limiter** and *peak detector* circuits. These circuits will be analyzed by making use of the circuit models developed in the preceding sections; as stated earlier, these models are more than adequate to develop an understanding of the operation of diode circuits.



### The Full-Wave Rectifier

The half-wave rectifier discussed earlier is one simple method of converting AC energy to DC energy. The need for converting one form of electric energy to the other arises frequently in practice. The most readily available form of electric power is AC (the standard 110- or 220-V rms AC line power), but one frequently needs a DC power supply, for applications ranging from the control of certain types of electric motors to the operation of electronic circuits such as those discussed in Chapters 8 through 12. You will have noticed that most consumer electronic circuits, from CD players to personal computers, require AC-DC power adapters.

The half-wave rectifier, however, is not a very efficient AC-DC conversion circuit, because it fails to utilize one-half of the energy available in the AC waveform, by not conducting current during the negative half-cycle of the AC waveform. The full-wave rectifier shown in Figure 9.39 offers a substantial improvement in efficiency over the half-wave rectifier. The first section of the full-wave rectifier circuit includes an AC source and a center-tapped transformer (see Chapter 7) with  $1:2N$  turns ratio. The purpose of the transformer is to obtain the desired voltage amplitude prior to rectification. Thus, if the peak amplitude of the AC source voltage is  $v_S$ , the amplitude of the voltage across each half of the output side of the transformer will be  $Nv_S$ ; this scheme permits scaling the source voltage up or down (depending on whether  $N$  is greater or less than 1), according to the specific requirements of the application. In addition to scaling the source voltage, the transformer isolates the rectifier circuit



**Figure 9.39** Full-wave rectifier

from the AC source voltage, since there is no direct electrical connection between the input and output of a transformer (see Chapter 13).

In the analysis of the full-wave rectifier, the diodes will be treated as ideal, since in most cases the source voltage is the AC line voltage (110 V rms, 60 Hz) and therefore the offset voltage is negligible in comparison. The key to the operation of the full-wave rectifier is to note that during the positive half-cycle of  $v_S$ , the top diode is forward-biased while the bottom diode is reverse-biased; therefore, the load current during the positive half-cycle is

$$i_L = i_1 = \frac{Nv_S}{R_L} \quad v_S \geq 0 \quad (9.17)$$

while during the negative half-cycle, the bottom diode conducts and the top diode is off, and the load current is given by

$$i_L = i_2 = \frac{-Nv_S}{R_L} \quad v_S < 0 \quad (9.18)$$

Note that the direction of  $i_L$  is always positive, because of the manner of connecting the diodes (when the top diode is off,  $i_2$  is forced to flow from plus to minus across  $R_L$ ).

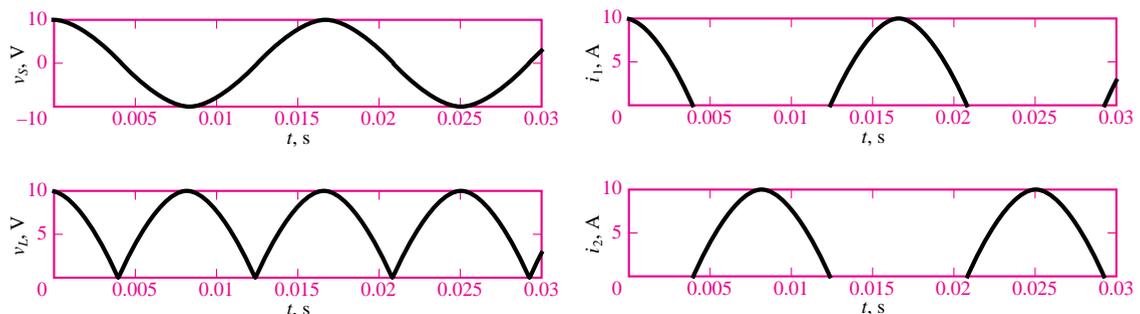
The source voltage, the load voltage, and the currents  $i_1$  and  $i_2$  are shown in Figure 9.40 for a load resistance  $R_L = 1 \Omega$  and  $N = 1$ . The full-wave rectifier results in a twofold improvement in efficiency over the half-wave rectifier introduced earlier.

### The Bridge Rectifier

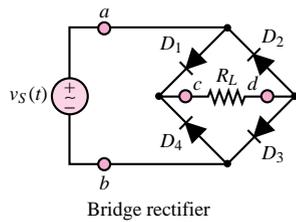
Another rectifier circuit commonly available “off the shelf” as a single *integrated-circuit package*<sup>2</sup> is the *bridge rectifier*, which employs four diodes in a bridge configuration, similar to the Wheatstone bridge already explored in Chapter 2. Figure 9.41 depicts the bridge rectifier, along with the associated integrated-circuit (IC) package.

The analysis of the bridge rectifier is simple to understand by visualizing the operation of the rectifier for the two half-cycles of the AC waveform separately. The key is that, as illustrated in Figure 9.42, diodes  $D_1$  and  $D_3$  conduct during the positive half-cycle, while diodes  $D_2$  and  $D_4$  conduct during the negative half-cycle. Because of the structure of the bridge, the flow of current through the load resistor is in the same direction (from  $c$  to  $d$ ) during both halves of the cycle, hence, the

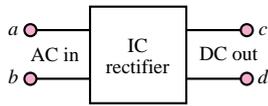
<sup>2</sup>An integrated circuit is a collection of electronic devices interconnected on a single silicon chip.



**Figure 9.40** Full-wave rectifier current and voltage waveforms ( $R_L = 1 \Omega$ )

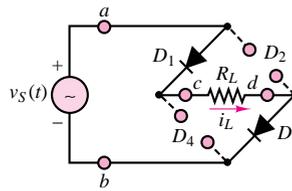


Bridge rectifier

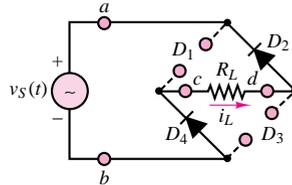


Corresponding IC package

**Figure 9.41** Full-wave bridge rectifier



During the positive half-cycle of  $v_S(t)$ ,  $D_1$  and  $D_3$  are forward-biased and  $i_L = v_S(t)/R_L$  (ideal diodes).

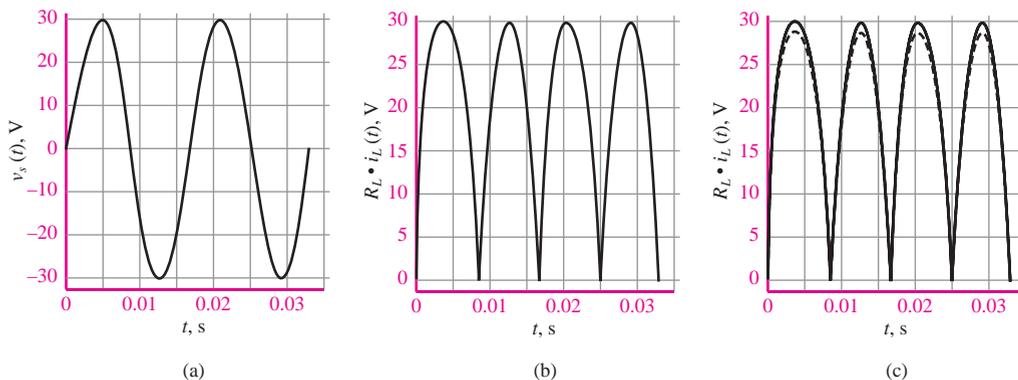


During the negative half-cycle of  $v_S(t)$ ,  $D_2$  and  $D_4$  are forward-biased and  $i_L = -v_S(t)/R_L$  (ideal diodes).

**Figure 9.42** Operation of bridge rectifier



full-wave rectification of the waveform. The original and rectified waveforms are shown in Figure 9.43(a) for the case of ideal diodes and a 30-V peak AC source. Figure 9.43(b) depicts the rectified waveform if we assume diodes with a 0.6-V offset voltage. Note that the waveform of Figure 9.43(b) is not a pure rectified sinusoid any longer: The effect of the offset voltage is to shift the waveform downward by twice the offset voltage. This is most easily understood by considering that the load seen by the source during either half-cycle consists of two diodes in series with the load resistor.



**Figure 9.43** (a) Unrectified source voltage; (b) rectified load voltage (ideal diodes); (c) rectified load voltage (ideal and offset diodes)

Although the conventional and bridge full-wave rectifier circuits effectively convert AC signals that have zero average, or DC, value to a signal with a nonzero average voltage, either rectifier's output is still an oscillating waveform. Rather than provide a smooth, constant voltage, the full-wave rectifier generates a sequence of

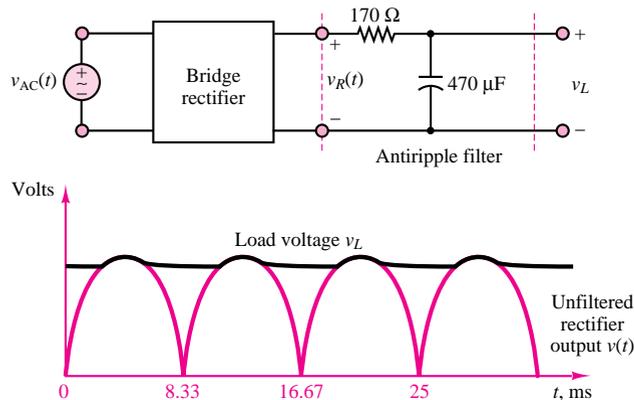
sinusoidal pulses at a frequency double that of the original AC signal. The **ripple**—that is, the fluctuation about the mean voltage that is characteristic of these rectifier circuits—is undesirable if one desires a true DC supply. A simple yet effective means of eliminating most of the ripple (i.e., AC component) associated with the output of a rectifier is to take advantage of the energy storage properties of capacitors to filter out the ripple component of the load voltage. A low-pass filter that preserves the DC component of the rectified voltage while filtering out components at frequencies at or above twice the AC signal frequency would be an appropriate choice to remove the ripple component from the rectified voltage. In most practical applications of rectifier circuits, the signal waveform to be rectified is the 60-Hz, 110-V rms line voltage. The ripple frequency is, therefore,  $f_{\text{ripple}} = 120$  Hz, or  $\omega_{\text{ripple}} = 2\pi \cdot 120$  rad/s. A low-pass filter is required for which

$$\omega_0 \ll \omega_{\text{ripple}} \quad (9.19)$$

For example, the filter could be characterized by

$$\omega_0 = 2\pi \cdot 2 \text{ rad/s}$$

A simple low-pass filter circuit similar to those studied in Chapter 6 that accomplishes this task is shown in Figure 9.44.



**Figure 9.44** Bridge rectifier with filter circuit



### EXAMPLE 9.8 Half-Wave Rectifiers

#### Problem

A half-wave rectifier, similar to that in Figure 9.25, is used to provide a DC supply to a 50- $\Omega$  load. If the AC source voltage is 20 V (rms), find the peak and average current in the load. Assume an ideal diode.

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Value of circuit elements and source voltage.

**Find:** Peak and average values of load current in half-wave rectifier circuit.

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $v_S = 20 \text{ V(rms)}$ ,  $R = 20 \Omega$ .

**Assumptions:** Ideal diode.

**Analysis:** According to the ideal diode model, the peak load voltage is equal to the peak sinusoidal source voltage. Thus, the peak load current is

$$i_{\text{peak}} = \frac{v_{\text{peak}}}{R_L} = \frac{\sqrt{2}v_{\text{rms}}}{R_L} = 0.567 \text{ A}$$

To compute the average current, we must integrate the half-wave rectified sinusoid:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle i \rangle &= \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T i(t) dt = \frac{1}{T} \left[ \int_0^{T/2} \frac{v_{\text{peak}}}{R_L} \sin(\omega t) dt + \int_{T/2}^T 0 dt \right] \\ &= \frac{v_{\text{peak}}}{\pi R_L} = \frac{\sqrt{2}v_{\text{rms}}}{\pi R_L} = 0.18 \text{ A} \end{aligned}$$

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

What is the peak current if an offset diode model is used with offset voltage equal to 0.6 V?

Answer: 0.544 A

## EXAMPLE 9.9 Bridge Rectifier



### Problem

A bridge rectifier, similar to that in Figure 9.41, is used to provide a 50-V, 5-A DC supply. What is the resistance of the load that will draw exactly 5 A? What is the required rms source voltage to achieve the desired DC voltage? Assume an ideal diode.

### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Value of circuit elements and source voltage.

**Find:** RMS source voltage and load resistance in bridge rectifier circuit.

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $\langle v_L \rangle = 50 \text{ V}$ ;  $\langle i_L \rangle = 5 \text{ A}$ .

**Assumptions:** Ideal diode.

**Analysis:** The load resistance that will draw an average current of 5 A is easily computed to be

$$R_L = \frac{\langle v_L \rangle}{\langle i_L \rangle} = \frac{50}{5} = 10 \Omega$$

Note that this is the lowest value of resistance for which the DC supply will be able to provide the required current. To compute the required rms voltage, we observe that the average load

voltage can be found from the expression

$$\begin{aligned}\langle v_L \rangle &= R_L \langle i_L \rangle = \frac{R_L}{T} \int_0^T i(t) dt = \frac{R_L}{T} \left[ \int_0^{T/2} \frac{v_{\text{peak}}}{R_L} \sin(\omega t) dt \right] \\ &= \frac{2v_{\text{peak}}}{\pi} = \frac{2\sqrt{2}v_{\text{rms}}}{\pi} = 50 \text{ V}\end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$v_{\text{rms}} = \frac{50\pi}{2\sqrt{2}} = 55.5 \text{ V}$$

### CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Show that the DC output voltage of the full-wave rectifier of Figure 9.39 is  $2N v_{\text{Speak}}/\pi$ .

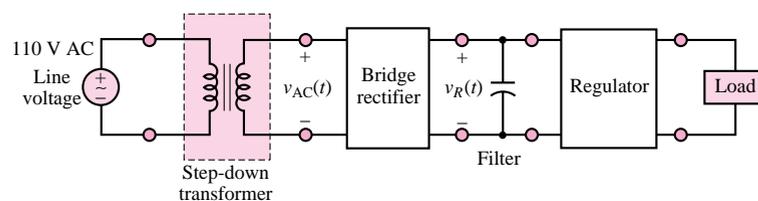
Compute the peak voltage output of the bridge rectifier of Figure 9.40, assuming diodes with 0.6-V offset voltage and a 110-V rms AC supply.

Answer: 154.36 V

## 9.5 DC POWER SUPPLIES, ZENER DIODES, AND VOLTAGE REGULATION

The principal application of rectifier circuits is in the conversion of AC to DC power. A circuit that accomplishes this conversion is usually called a **DC power supply**. In power supply applications, transformers are employed to obtain an AC voltage that is reasonably close to the desired DC supply voltage. DC power supplies are very useful in practice: Many familiar electric and electronic appliances (e.g., radios, personal computers, TVs) require DC power to operate. For most applications, it is desirable that the DC supply be as steady and ripple-free as possible. To ensure that the DC voltage generated by a DC supply is constant, DC supplies contain voltage regulators, that is, devices that can hold a DC load voltage relatively constant in spite of possible fluctuations in the DC supply. This section describes the fundamentals of voltage regulators.

A typical DC power supply is made up of the components shown in Figure 9.45. In the figure, a transformer is shown connecting the AC source to the rectifier circuit



**Figure 9.45** DC power supply

to permit scaling of the AC voltage to the desired level. For example, one might wish to step the 110-V rms line voltage down to a lower DC voltage by means of a transformer prior to rectification and filtering, to eventually obtain a 12-VDC regulated supply (*regulated* here means that the output voltage is a DC voltage that is constant and independent of load and supply variations). Following the step-down transformer are a bridge rectifier, a filter capacitor, a voltage regulator, and finally the load.

The most common device employed in voltage regulation schemes is the Zener diode. Zener diodes function on the basis of the reverse portion of the  $i$ - $v$  characteristic of the diode discussed in Section 9.2. Figure 9.10 in Section 9.2 illustrates the general characteristic of a diode, with forward offset voltage  $V_\gamma$  and **reverse Zener voltage**  $V_Z$ . Note how steep the  $i$ - $v$  characteristic is at the Zener breakdown voltage, indicating that in the Zener breakdown region the diode can hold a very nearly constant voltage for a large range of currents. This property makes it possible to use the Zener diode as a voltage reference.

With reference to Figure 9.10, we see that once the Zener diode is reverse-biased with a reverse voltage larger than the Zener voltage, the Zener diode behaves very nearly as an ideal voltage source, providing a voltage reference that is nearly constant. This reference is not exact because the slope of the Zener diode curve for voltages lower than  $-V_Z$  is not infinite; the finite slope will cause the Zener voltage to change slightly. For the purpose of this analysis, we assume that the reverse-biased Zener voltage is actually constant. The operation of the Zener diode as a voltage regulator is simplified in the analysis shown in the rest of this section to illustrate some of the limitations of voltage regulator circuits. The circuits analyzed in the remainder of this section do not represent practical voltage regulator designs, but are useful to understand the basic principles of voltage regulation.

The operation of the Zener diode may be analyzed by considering three modes of operation:

1. For  $v_D \geq V_\gamma$ , the device acts as a conventional forward-biased diode (Figure 9.46).
2. For  $V_Z < v_D < V_\gamma$ , the diode is reverse-biased but Zener breakdown has not taken place yet. Thus, it acts as an open circuit.
3. For  $v_D \leq V_Z$ , Zener breakdown occurs and the device holds a nearly constant voltage  $-V_Z$  (Figure 9.47).

The combined effect of forward and reverse bias may be lumped into a single model with the aid of ideal diodes, as shown in Figure 9.48.

To illustrate the operation of a Zener diode as a voltage regulator, consider the circuit of Figure 9.49(a), where the unregulated DC source  $V_S$  is regulated to the value of the Zener voltage  $V_Z$ . Note how the diode must be connected “upside down” to obtain a positive regulated voltage. Note also that if  $v_S$  is greater than  $V_Z$ , it follows that the Zener diode is in its reverse breakdown mode. Thus, one need not worry whether the diode is conducting or not in simple voltage regulator problems, provided that the unregulated supply voltage is guaranteed to stay above  $V_Z$  (a problem arises, however, if the unregulated supply can drop below the Zener voltage). Assuming that the resistance  $r_Z$  is negligible with respect to  $R_S$  and  $R_L$ , we replace the Zener diode with the simplified circuit model of Figure 9.49(b), consisting of a battery of strength  $V_Z$  (the effects of the nonzero Zener resistance are explored in the examples and homework problems).

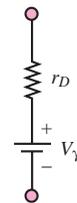


Figure 9.46 Zener diode model for forward bias

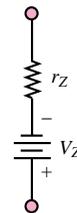


Figure 9.47 Zener diode model for reverse bias



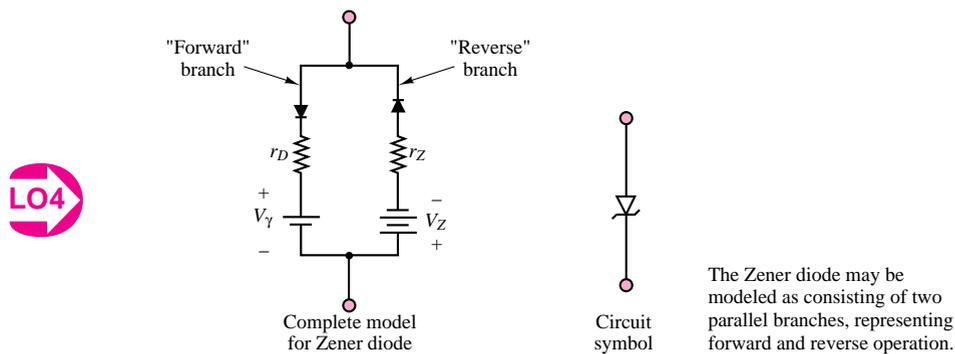


Figure 9.48 Complete model for Zener diode

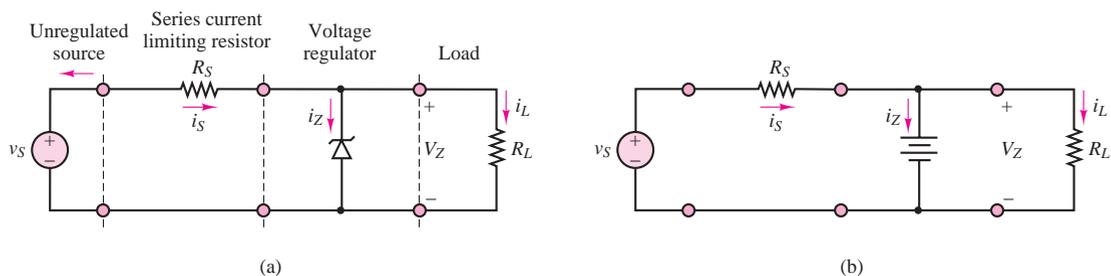


Figure 9.49 (a) A Zener diode voltage regulator; (b) simplified circuit for Zener regulator

Three simple observations are sufficient to explain the operation of this voltage regulator:

1. The load voltage must equal  $V_Z$ , as long as the Zener diode is in the reverse breakdown mode. Then

$$i_L = \frac{V_Z}{R_L} \quad (9.20)$$

2. The load current (which should be constant if the load voltage is to be regulated to sustain  $V_Z$ ) is the difference between the unregulated supply current  $i_S$  and the diode current  $i_Z$ :

$$i_L = i_S - i_Z \quad (9.21)$$

This second point explains intuitively how a Zener diode operates: Any current in excess of that required to keep the load at the constant voltage  $V_Z$  is “dumped” to ground through the diode. Thus, the Zener diode acts as a sink to the undesired source current.

3. The source current is given by

$$i_S = \frac{v_S - V_Z}{R_S} \quad (9.22)$$

In the ideal case, the operation of a Zener voltage regulator can be explained very simply on the basis of this model. The examples and exercises will illustrate the effects of the practical limitations that arise in the design of a practical voltage regulator; the general principles are discussed in the following paragraphs.

The Zener diode is usually rated in terms of its maximum allowable power dissipation. The power dissipated by the diode  $P_Z$  may be computed from

$$P_Z = i_Z V_Z \quad (9.23)$$

Thus, one needs to worry about the possibility that  $i_Z$  will become too large. This may occur either if the supply current is very large (perhaps because of an unexpected upward fluctuation of the unregulated supply) or if the load is suddenly removed and all the supply current sinks through the diode. The latter case, of an open-circuit load, is an important design consideration.

Another significant limitation occurs when the load resistance is small, thus requiring large amounts of current from the unregulated supply. In this case, the Zener diode is hardly taxed at all in terms of power dissipation, but the unregulated supply may not be able to provide the current required to sustain the load voltage. In this case, regulation fails to take place. Thus, in practice, the range of load resistances for which load voltage regulation may be attained is constrained to a finite interval:

$$R_{L\min} \leq R_L \leq R_{L\max} \quad (9.24)$$

where  $R_{L\max}$  is typically limited by the Zener diode power dissipation and  $R_{L\min}$  by the maximum supply current. Examples 9.10 through 9.12 illustrate these concepts.

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### EXAMPLE 9.10 Determining the Power Rating of a Zener Diode



#### Problem

We wish to design a regulator similar to the one depicted in Figure 9.49(a). Determine the minimum acceptable power rating of the Zener diode.

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:**  $v_S = 24$  V;  $V_Z = 12$  V;  $R_S = 50$   $\Omega$ ;  $R_L = 250$   $\Omega$ .

**Find:** The maximum power dissipated by the Zener diode under worst-case conditions.

**Assumptions:** Use the piecewise linear Zener diode model (Figure 9.48) with  $r_Z = 0$ .

**Analysis:** When the regulator operates according to the intended design specifications, that is, with a 250- $\Omega$  load, the source and load currents may be computed as follows:

$$i_S = \frac{v_S - V_Z}{R_S} = \frac{12}{50} = 0.24 \text{ A}$$

$$i_L = \frac{V_Z}{R_L} = \frac{12}{250} = 0.048 \text{ A}$$

Thus, the Zener current would be

$$i_Z = i_S - i_L = 0.192 \text{ A}$$

corresponding to a nominal power dissipation

$$P_Z = i_Z V_Z = 0.192 \times 12 = 2.304 \text{ W}$$

However, if the load were accidentally (or intentionally) disconnected from the circuit, all the load current would be diverted to flow through the Zener diode. Thus, the *worst-case* Zener current is actually equal to the source current, since the Zener diode would sink all the source

current for an open-circuit load:

$$i_{Z \max} = i_S = \frac{v_S - V_Z}{R_S} = \frac{12}{50} = 0.24 \text{ A}$$

Therefore the maximum power dissipation that the Zener diode must sustain is

$$P_{Z \max} = i_{Z \max} V_Z = 2.88 \text{ W}$$

**Comments:** A safe design would exceed the value of  $P_{Z \max}$  computed above. For example, one might select a 3-W Zener diode.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

How would the power rating change if the load were reduced to  $100 \Omega$ ?

Answer: The worst-case power rating would not change.



### EXAMPLE 9.11 Calculation of Allowed Load Resistances for a Given Zener Regulator

#### Problem

Calculate the allowable range of load resistances for the Zener regulator of Figure 9.50 such that the diode power rating is not exceeded.

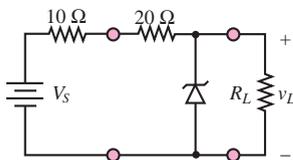


Figure 9.50

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:**  $V_S = 50 \text{ V}$ ;  $V_Z = 14 \text{ V}$ ;  $P_Z = 5 \text{ W}$ .

**Find:** The smallest and largest values of  $R_L$  for which load voltage regulation to  $14 \text{ V}$  is achieved, and which do not cause the diode power rating to be exceeded.

**Assumptions:** Use the piecewise linear Zener diode model (Figure 9.48) with  $r_Z = 0$ .

#### Analysis:

1. *Determining the minimum acceptable load resistance.* To determine the minimum acceptable load, we observe that the regulator can at most supply the load with the amount of current that can be provided by the source. Thus, the minimum theoretical resistance can be computed by assuming that all the source current goes to the load, and that the load voltage is regulated at the nominal value:

$$R_{L \min} = \frac{V_Z}{i_S} = \frac{V_Z}{(V_S - V_Z)/30} = \frac{14}{36/30} = 11.7 \Omega$$

If the load required any more current, the source would not be able to supply it. Note that for this value of the load, the Zener diode dissipates zero power, because the Zener current is zero.

2. *Determining the maximum acceptable load resistance.* The second constraint we need to invoke is the power rating of the diode. For the stated 5-W rating, the maximum Zener current is

$$i_{Z \max} = \frac{P_Z}{V_Z} = \frac{5}{14} = 0.357 \text{ A}$$

Since the source can generate

$$i_{S \max} = \frac{V_S - V_Z}{30} = \frac{50 - 14}{30} = 1.2 \text{ A}$$

the load must not require any less than  $1.2 - 0.357 = 0.843 \text{ A}$ ; if it required any less current (i.e., if the resistance were too large), the Zener diode would be forced to sink more current than its power rating permits. From this requirement we can compute the maximum allowable load resistance

$$R_{L \min} = \frac{V_Z}{i_{S \max} - i_{Z \max}} = \frac{14}{0.843} = 16.6 \Omega$$

Finally, the range of allowable load resistance is  $11.7 \Omega \leq R_L \leq 16.6 \Omega$ .

**Comments:** Note that this regulator *cannot* operate with an open-circuit load! This is obviously not a very useful circuit.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

What should the power rating of the Zener diode be to withstand operation with an open-circuit load?

Answer:  $P_{Z \max} = 16.8 \text{ W}$

## EXAMPLE 9.12 Effect of Nonzero Zener Resistance in a Regulator



### Problem

Calculate the amplitude of the ripple present in the output voltage of the regulator of Figure 9.51. The unregulated supply voltage is depicted in Figure 9.52.

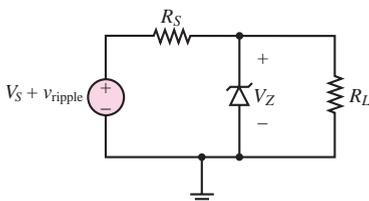


Figure 9.51

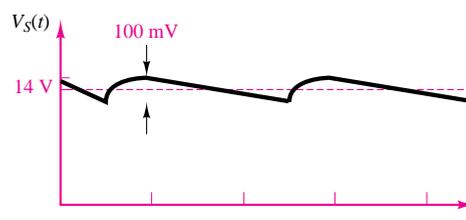


Figure 9.52

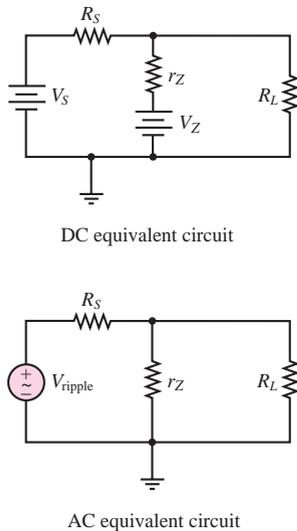


Figure 9.53

**Solution**

**Known Quantities:**  $v_S = 14\text{ V}$ ;  $v_{\text{ripple}} = 100\text{ mV}$ ;  $V_Z = 8\text{ V}$ ;  $r_Z = 10\ \Omega$ ;  $R_S = 50\ \Omega$ ;  $R_L = 150\ \Omega$ .

**Find:** Amplitude of ripple component in load voltage.

**Assumptions:** Use the piecewise linear Zener diode model (Figure 9.48).

**Analysis:** To analyze the circuit, we consider the DC and AC equivalent circuits of Figure 9.53 separately.

1. *DC equivalent circuit.* The DC equivalent circuit reveals that the load voltage consists of two contributions: that due to the unregulated DC supply and that due to the Zener diode  $V_Z$ . Applying superposition and the voltage divider rule, we obtain

$$V_L = V_S \left( \frac{r_Z \parallel R_L}{r_Z \parallel R_L + R_S} \right) + V_Z \left( \frac{R_S \parallel R_L}{r_Z \parallel R_L + R_S} \right) = 2.21 + 6.32 = 8.53\text{ V}$$

2. *AC equivalent circuit.* The AC equivalent circuit allows us to compute the AC component of the load voltage as follows:

$$v_L = v_{\text{ripple}} \left( \frac{r_Z \parallel R_L}{r_Z \parallel R_L + R_S} \right) = 0.016\text{ V}$$

that is, 16 mV of ripple is present in the load voltage, or approximately one-sixth the source ripple.

**Comments:** Note that the DC load voltage is affected by the unregulated source voltage; if the unregulated supply were to fluctuate significantly, the regulated voltage would also change. Thus, one of the effects of the Zener resistance is to cause imperfect regulation. If the Zener resistance is significantly smaller than both  $R_S$  and  $R_L$ , its effects will not be as pronounced.

**CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING**

Compute the actual DC load voltage and the percent of ripple reaching the load (relative to the initial 100-mV ripple) for the circuit of Example 9.12 if  $r_Z = 1\ \Omega$ .

Answer: 8.06 V, 2 percent

**Conclusion**

This chapter introduces the topic of electronic devices by presenting the semiconductor diode. Upon completing this chapter, you should have mastered the following learning objectives:

1. *Understand the basic principles underlying the physics of semiconductor devices in general and of the pn junction in particular. Become familiar with the diode equation and  $i$ - $v$  characteristic.* Semiconductors have conductive properties that fall between

those of conductors and insulators. These properties make the materials useful in the construction of many electronic devices that exhibit nonlinear  $i$ - $v$  characteristics. Of these devices, the diode is one of the most commonly employed.

2. *Use various circuit models of the semiconductor diode in simple circuits. These are divided into two classes: the large-signal models, useful to study rectifier circuits, and the small-signal models, useful in signal processing applications.* The semiconductor diode acts as a one-way current valve, permitting the flow of current only when it is biased in the forward direction. The behavior of the diode is described by an exponential equation, but it is possible to approximate the operation of the diode by means of simple circuit models. The simplest (ideal) model treats the diode either as a short circuit (when it is forward-biased) or as an open circuit (when it is reverse-biased). The ideal model can be extended to include an offset voltage, which represents the contact potential at the diode  $pn$  junction. A further model, useful for small-signal circuits, includes a resistance that models the forward resistance of the diode. With the aid of these models it is possible to analyze diode circuits by using the DC and AC circuit analysis methods of earlier chapters.
3. *Study practical full-wave rectifier circuits and learn to analyze and determine the practical specifications of a rectifier by using large-signal diode models.* One of the most important properties of the diode is its ability to rectify AC voltages and currents. Diode rectifiers can be of the half-wave and full-wave types. Full-wave rectifiers can be constructed in a two-diode configuration or in a four-diode bridge configuration. Diode rectification is an essential element of DC power supplies. Another important part of a DC power supply is the filtering, or smoothing, that is usually accomplished by using capacitors.
4. *Understand the basic operation of Zener diodes as voltage references, and use simple circuit models to analyze elementary voltage regulators.* In addition to rectification and filtering, the power supply requires output voltage regulation. Zener diodes can be used to provide a voltage reference that is useful in voltage regulators.

## HOMEWORK PROBLEMS

### Section 9.1: Electrical Conduction in Semiconductor Devices;

### Section 9.2: The $pn$ Junction and the Semiconductor Diode

- 9.1** In a semiconductor material, the net charge is zero. This requires the density of positive charges to be equal to the density of negative charges. Both charge carriers (free electrons and holes) and ionized dopant atoms have a charge equal to the magnitude of one electronic charge. Therefore the charge neutrality equation (CNE) is:

$$p_o + N_d^+ - n_o - N_a^- = 0$$

where

$n_o$  = equilibrium negative carrier density

$p_o$  = equilibrium positive carrier density

$N_a^-$  = ionized acceptor density

$N_d^+$  = ionized donor density

The carrier product equation (CPE) states that as a semiconductor is doped, the product of the charge carrier densities remains constant:

$$n_o p_o = \text{const}$$

For intrinsic silicon at  $T = 300$  K:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Const} &= n_{io} p_{io} = n_{io}^2 = p_{io}^2 \\ &= \left( 1.5 \times 10^{16} \frac{1}{\text{m}^3} \right)^2 = 2.25 \times 10^{32} \frac{1}{\text{m}^2} \end{aligned}$$

The semiconductor material is  $n$ - or  $p$ -type depending on whether donor or acceptor doping is greater. Almost all dopant atoms are ionized at room temperature. If intrinsic silicon is doped:

$$N_A \approx N_a^- = 10^{17} \frac{1}{\text{m}^3} \quad N_d = 0$$

Determine:

- If this is an  $n$ - or  $p$ -type extrinsic semiconductor.
- Which are the major and which the minority charge carriers.
- The density of majority and minority carriers.

**9.2** If intrinsic silicon is doped, then

$$N_a \approx N_a^- = 10^{17} \frac{1}{\text{m}^3} \quad N_d \approx N_d^+ = 5 \times 10^{18} \frac{1}{\text{m}^3}$$

Determine:

- If this is an  $n$ - or  $p$ -type extrinsic semiconductor.
- Which are the majority and which the minority charge carriers.
- The density of majority and minority carriers.

**9.3** Describe the microscopic structure of semiconductor materials. What are the three most commonly used semiconductor materials?

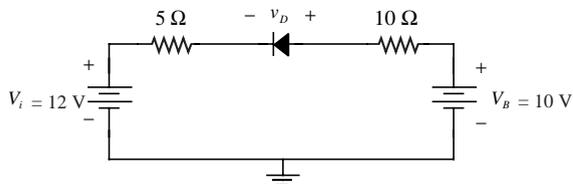
**9.4** Describe the thermal production of charge carriers in a semiconductor and how this process limits the operation of a semiconductor device.

**9.5** Describe the properties of donor and acceptor dopant atoms and how they affect the densities of charge carriers in a semiconductor material.

**9.6** Physically describe the behavior of the charge carriers and ionized dopant atoms in the vicinity of a semiconductor  $pn$  junction that causes the potential (energy) barrier that tends to prevent charge carriers from crossing the junction.

### Section 9.3: Circuit Models for the Semiconductor Diode

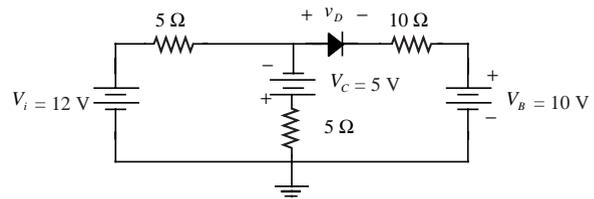
**9.7** Consider the circuit of Figure P9.7. Determine whether the diode is conducting or not. Assume that the diode is an ideal diode.



**Figure P9.7**

**9.8** Repeat Problem 9.7 for  $V_i = 12 \text{ V}$  and  $V_B = 15 \text{ V}$ .

**9.9** Consider the circuit of Figure P9.9. Determine whether the diode is conducting or not. Assume that the diode is an ideal diode.



**Figure P9.9**

**9.10** Repeat Problem 9.9 for  $V_B = 15 \text{ V}$ .

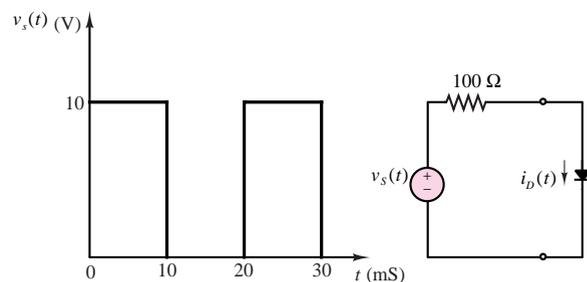
**9.11** Repeat Problem 9.9 for  $V_C = 15 \text{ V}$ .

**9.12** Repeat Problem 9.9 for  $V_C = 10 \text{ V}$  and  $V_B = 15 \text{ V}$ .

**9.13** For the circuit of Figure P9.13, sketch  $i_D(t)$  for the following conditions:

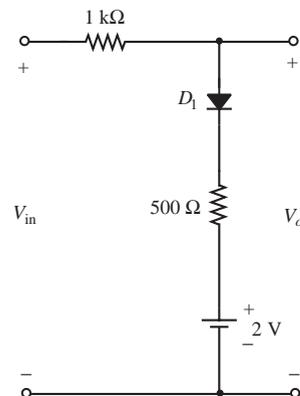
- Use the ideal diode model.
- Use the ideal diode model with offset ( $V_\gamma = 0.6 \text{ V}$ ).
- Use the piecewise linear approximation with

$$r_D = 1 \text{ k}\Omega \\ V_\gamma = 0.6 \text{ V}$$



**Figure P9.13**

**9.14** For the circuit of Figure P9.14, find the range of  $V_{in}$  for which  $D_1$  is forward-biased. Assume an ideal diode.

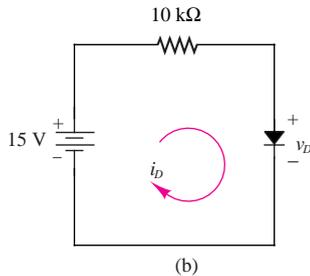
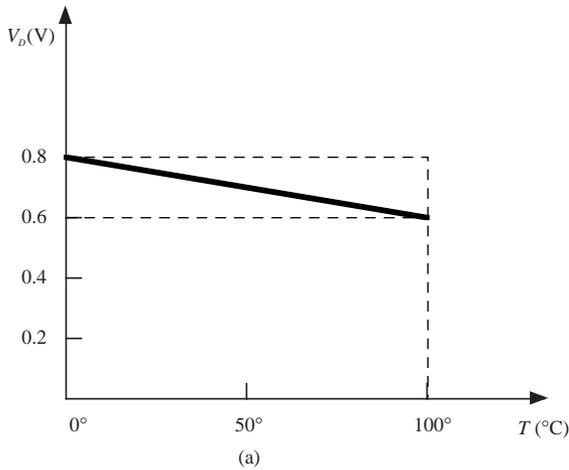


**Figure P9.14**

**9.15** One of the more interesting applications of a diode, based on the diode equation, is an electronic thermometer. The concept is based on the empirical observation that if the current through a diode is nearly constant, the offset voltage is nearly a linear function of the temperature, as shown in Figure P9.15(a).

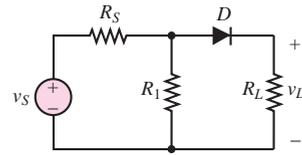
- Show that  $i_D$  in the circuit of Figure P9.15(b) is nearly constant in the face of variations in the diode voltage,  $v_D$ . This can be done by computing the percent change in  $i_D$  for a given percent change in  $v_D$ . Assume that  $v_D$  changes by 10 percent, from 0.6 to 0.66 V.
- On the basis of the graph of Figure P9.15(a), write an equation for  $v_D(T^\circ)$  of the form

$$v_D = \alpha T^\circ + \beta$$



**Figure P9.15**

**9.16** Find voltage  $v_L$  in the circuit of Figure P9.16 where  $D$  is an ideal diode, for positive and negative values of  $v_S$ . Sketch a plot of  $v_L$  versus  $v_S$ .



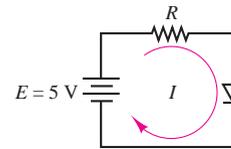
**Figure P9.16**

**9.17** Repeat Problem 9.16, using the offset diode model.

**9.18** In the circuit of Figure P9.16,  $v_S = 6$  V and  $R_1 = R_S = R_L = 1$  k $\Omega$ . Determine  $i_D$  and  $v_D$  graphically, using the diode characteristic of the 1N461A.

**9.19** Assume that the diode in Figure P9.19 requires a minimum current of 1 mA to be above the knee of its  $i$ - $v$  characteristic. Use  $V_\gamma = 0.7$  V.

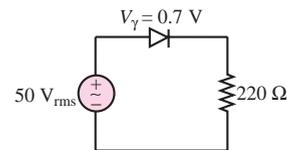
- What should be the value of  $R$  to establish 5 mA in the circuit?
- With the value of  $R$  determined in part a, what is the minimum value to which the voltage  $E$  could be reduced and still maintain diode current above the knee?



**Figure P9.19**

**9.20** In Figure P9.20, a sinusoidal source of 50 V rms drives the circuit. Use the offset diode model for a silicon diode.

- What is the maximum forward current?
- What is the peak inverse voltage across the diode?



**Figure P9.20**

**9.21** Determine which diodes are forward-biased and which are reverse-biased in each of the configurations shown in Figure P9.21.

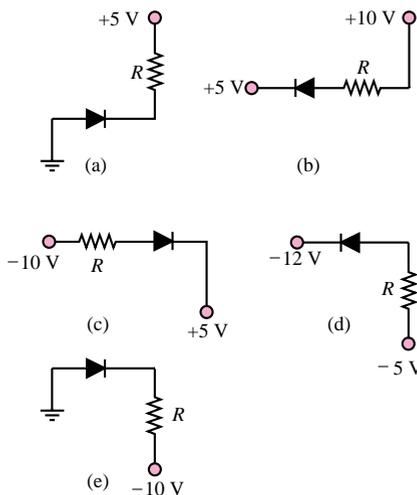


Figure P9.21

9.22 In the circuit of Figure P9.22, find the range of  $V_{in}$  for which  $D_1$  is forward-biased. Assume ideal diodes.

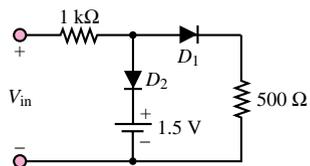


Figure P9.22

9.23 Determine which diodes are forward-biased and which are reverse-biased in the configurations shown in Figure P9.23. Assuming a 0.7-V drop across each forward-biased diode, determine the output voltage.

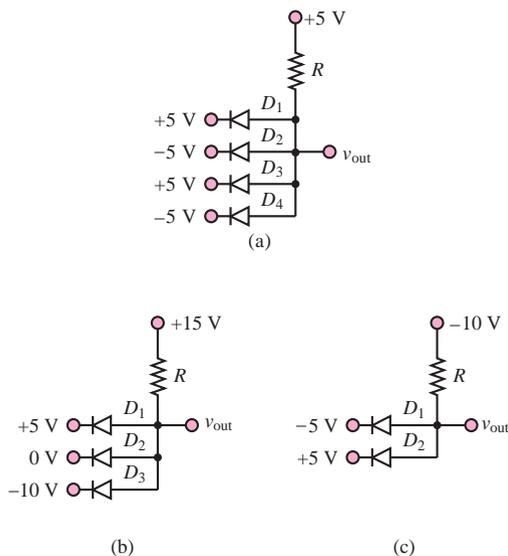


Figure P9.23

9.24 Sketch the output waveform and the voltage transfer characteristic for the circuit of Figure P9.24. Assume ideal diode characteristics,  $v_S(t) = 10 \sin(2,000\pi t)$ .

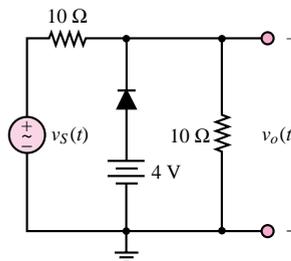


Figure P9.24

9.25 Repeat Problem 9.24, using the offset diode model with  $V_\gamma = 0.6$  V.

9.26 Repeat Problem 9.24 if  $v_S(t) = 1.5 \sin(2,000\pi t)$ , the battery in series with the diode is a 1-V cell, and the two resistors are 1-kΩ resistors. Use the piecewise linear model with  $r_D = 200 \Omega$ .

9.27 The diode in the circuit shown in Figure P9.27 is fabricated from silicon, and

$$i_D = I_o(e^{v_D/V_T} - 1)$$

where at  $T = 300$  K

$$I_o = 250 \times 10^{-12} \text{ A} \quad V_T = \frac{kT}{q} \approx 26 \text{ mV}$$

$$v_S = 4.2 \text{ V} + 110 \cos(\omega t) \quad \text{mV}$$

$$\omega = 377 \text{ rad/s} \quad R = 7 \text{ k}\Omega$$

Determine, using superposition, the DC or  $Q$  point current through the diode

- Using the DC offset model for the diode.
- By numerically solving the circuit characteristic (i.e., the DC load-line equation) and the device characteristic (i.e., the diode equation).

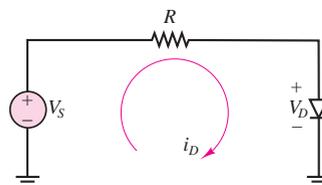


Figure P9.27

- 9.28** If the diode in the circuit shown in Figure P9.27 is fabricated from silicon and

$$i_D = I_o(e^{v_D/V_T} - 1)$$

where at  $T = 300$  K

$$I_o = 2.030 \times 10^{-15} \text{ A} \quad V_T = \frac{kT}{q} \approx 26 \text{ mV}$$

$$v_s = 5.3 \text{ V} + 7 \cos(\omega t) \quad \text{mV}$$

$$\omega = 377 \text{ rad/s} \quad R = 4.6 \text{ k}\Omega$$

Determine, using superposition and the offset (or threshold) voltage model for the diode, the DC or  $Q$  point current through the diode.

- 9.29** A diode with the  $i$ - $v$  characteristic shown in Figure 9.8 in the text is connected in series with a 5-V voltage source (in the forward bias direction) and a load resistance of  $200 \Omega$ . Determine

- The load current and voltage.
- The power dissipated by the diode.
- The load current and voltage if the load is changed to  $100 \Omega$  and  $500 \Omega$ .

- 9.30** A diode with the  $i$ - $v$  characteristic shown in Figure 9.32 in the text is connected in series with a 2-V voltage source (in the forward bias direction) and a load resistance of  $200 \Omega$ . Determine

- The load current and voltage.
- The power dissipated by the diode.
- The load current and voltage if the load is changed to  $100 \Omega$  and  $300 \Omega$ .

- 9.31** The diode in the circuit shown in Figure P9.27 is fabricated from silicon and

$$i_D = I_o(e^{v_D/V_T} - 1)$$

where at  $T = 300$  K

$$I_o = 250 \times 10^{-12} \text{ A} \quad V_T = \frac{kT}{q} \approx 26 \text{ mV}$$

$$v_s = V_S + v_s = 4.2 \text{ V} + 110 \cos(\omega t) \quad \text{mV}$$

$$\omega = 377 \text{ rad/s} \quad R = 7 \text{ k}\Omega$$

The DC operating point or quiescent point ( $Q$  point) and the AC small-signal equivalent resistance at this  $Q$  point are

$$I_{DQ} = 0.548 \text{ mA} \quad V_{DQ} = 0.365 \text{ V} \quad r_d = 47.45 \Omega$$

Determine, using superposition, the AC voltage across the diode and the AC current through it.

- 9.32** The diode in the circuit shown in Figure P9.32 is fabricated from silicon and

$$R = 2.2 \text{ k}\Omega \quad V_{S2} = 3 \text{ V}$$

Determine the minimum value of  $V_{S1}$  at and above which the diode will conduct with a significant current.

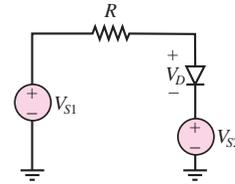


Figure P9.32

## Section 9.4: Rectifier Circuits

- 9.33** Find the average value of the output voltage for the circuit of Figure P9.33 if the input voltage is sinusoidal with an amplitude of 5 V. Let  $V_\gamma = 0.7$  V.

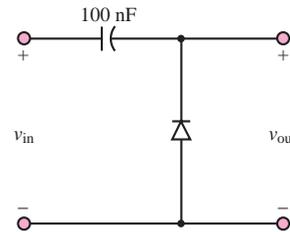


Figure P9.33

- 9.34** In the rectifier circuit shown in Figure P9.34,  $v(t) = A \sin(2\pi 100)t$  V. Assume a forward voltage drop of 0.7 V across the diode when it is conducting. If conduction must begin during each positive half-cycle at an angle no greater than  $5^\circ$ , what is the minimum peak value  $A$  that the AC source must produce?

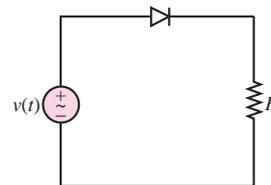


Figure P9.34

- 9.35** A half-wave rectifier is to provide an average voltage of 50 V at its output.
- Draw a schematic diagram of the circuit.
  - Sketch the output voltage waveshape.
  - Determine the peak value of the output voltage.

- d. Sketch the input voltage waveshape.  
e. What is the rms voltage at the input?

**9.36** A half-wave rectifier, similar to that of Figure 9.25 in the text, is used to provide a DC supply to a 100- $\Omega$  load. If the AC source voltage is 30 V (rms), find the peak and average current in the load. Assume an ideal diode.

**9.37** A half-wave rectifier, similar to that of Figure 9.25 in the text, is used to provide a DC supply to a 220- $\Omega$  load. If the AC source voltage is 25 V (rms), find the peak and average current in the load. Assume an ideal diode.

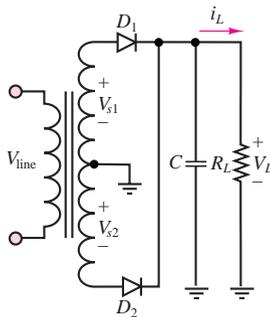
**9.38** In the full-wave power supply shown in Figure P9.38 the diodes are 1N4001 with a rated peak reverse voltage (also called peak inverse voltage) of 25 V. They are fabricated from silicon.

$$n = 0.05883$$

$$C = 80 \mu\text{F} \quad R_L = 1 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$V_{\text{line}} = 170 \cos(377t) \quad \text{V}$$

- a. Determine the actual peak reverse voltage across each diode.  
b. Explain why these diodes are or are not suitable for the specifications given.



**Figure P9.38**

**9.39** In the full-wave power supply shown in Figure P9.38,

$$n = 0.1$$

$$C = 80 \mu\text{F} \quad R_L = 1 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$V_{\text{line}} = 170 \cos(377t) \quad \text{V}$$

The diodes are 1N914 switching diodes (but used here for AC-DC conversion), fabricated from silicon, with the following rated performance:

$$P_{\text{max}} = 500 \text{ mW} \quad \text{at } T = 25^\circ\text{C}$$

$$V_{\text{pk-rev}} = 30 \text{ V}$$

The derating factor is 3 mW/ $^\circ\text{C}$  for  $25^\circ\text{C} < T \leq 125^\circ\text{C}$  and 4 mW/ $^\circ\text{C}$  for  $125^\circ\text{C} < T \leq 175^\circ\text{C}$ .

- a. Determine the actual peak reverse voltage across each diode.  
b. Explain why these diodes are or are not suitable for the specifications given.

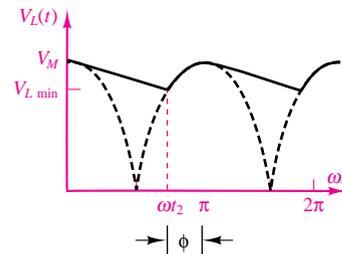
**9.40** The diodes in the full-wave DC power supply shown in Figure P9.38 are silicon. The load voltage waveform is shown in Figure P9.40. If

$$I_L = 60 \text{ mA} \quad V_L = 5 \text{ V} \quad V_{\text{ripple}} = 5\%$$

$$V_{\text{line}} = 170 \cos(\omega t) \quad \text{V} \quad \omega = 377 \text{ rad/s}$$

determine the value of

- a. The turns ratio  $n$ .  
b. The capacitor  $C$ .



**Figure P9.40**

**9.41** The diodes in the full-wave DC power supply shown in Figure P9.38 are silicon. If

$$I_L = 600 \text{ mA} \quad V_L = 50 \text{ V}$$

$$V_r = 8\% = 4 \text{ V}$$

$$V_{\text{line}} = 170 \cos(\omega t) \quad \text{V} \quad \omega = 377 \text{ rad/s}$$

determine the value of

- a. The turns ratio  $n$ .  
b. The capacitor  $C$ .

**9.42** The diodes in the full-wave DC power supply shown in Figure P9.38 are silicon. If

$$I_L = 5 \text{ mA} \quad V_L = 10 \text{ V}$$

$$V_r = 20\% = 2 \text{ V}$$

$$V_{\text{line}} = 170 \cos(\omega t) \quad \text{V} \quad \omega = 377 \text{ rad/s}$$

determine the

- a. Turns ratio  $n$ .  
b. The value of the capacitor  $C$ .

**9.43** You have been asked to design a full-wave bridge rectifier for a power supply. A step-down transformer has already been chosen. It will supply 12 V rms to

your rectifier. The full-wave rectifier is shown in the circuit of Figure P9.43.

- If the diodes have an offset voltage of 0.6 V, sketch the input source voltage  $v_S(t)$  and the output voltage  $v_L(t)$ , and state which diodes are on and which are off in the appropriate cycles of  $v_S(t)$ . The frequency of the source is 60 Hz.
- If  $R_L = 1,000 \Omega$  and a capacitor, placed across  $R_L$  to provide some filtering, has a value of  $8 \mu\text{F}$ , sketch the output voltage  $v_L(t)$ .
- Repeat part b, with the capacitance equal to  $100 \mu\text{F}$ .

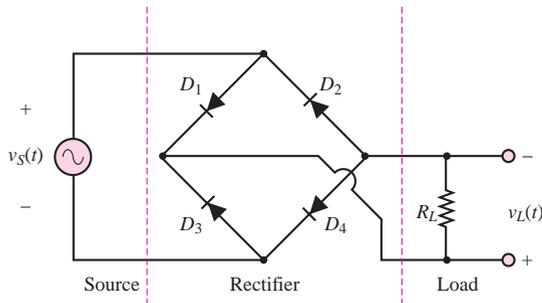


Figure P9.43

- 9.44** In the full-wave power supply shown in Figure P9.44 the diodes are 1N4001 with a rated peak reverse voltage (also called peak inverse voltage) of 50 V. They are fabricated from silicon.

$$V_{\text{line}} = 170 \cos(377t) \quad \text{V}$$

$$n = 0.2941$$

$$C = 700 \mu\text{F} \quad R_L = 2.5 \text{ k}\Omega$$

- Determine the actual peak reverse voltage across each diode.
- Explain why these diodes are or are not suitable for the specifications given.

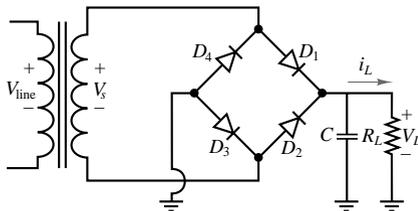


Figure P9.44

- 9.45** In the full-wave power supply shown in Figure P9.44 the diodes are 1N4001

general-purpose silicon diodes with a rated peak reverse voltage of 10 V and

$$V_{\text{line}} = 156 \cos(377t) \quad \text{V}$$

$$n = 0.04231 \quad V_r = 0.2 \text{ V}$$

$$I_L = 2.5 \text{ mA} \quad V_L = 5.1 \text{ V}$$

- Determine the actual peak reverse voltage across the diodes.
- Explain why these diodes are or are not suitable for the specifications given.

- 9.46** The diodes in the full-wave DC power supply shown in Figure P9.44 are silicon. If

$$I_L = 650 \text{ mA} \quad V_L = 10 \text{ V}$$

$$V_r = 1 \text{ V} \quad \omega = 377 \text{ rad/s}$$

$$V_{\text{line}} = 170 \cos(\omega t) \quad \text{V} \quad \phi = 23.66^\circ$$

determine the value of the average and peak current through each diode.

- 9.47** The diodes in the full-wave DC power supply shown in Figure P9.44 are silicon. If

$$I_L = 85 \text{ mA} \quad V_L = 5.3 \text{ V}$$

$$V_r = 0.6 \text{ V} \quad \omega = 377 \text{ rad/s}$$

$$V_{\text{line}} = 156 \cos(\omega t) \quad \text{V}$$

determine the value of

- The turns ratio  $n$ .
- The capacitor  $C$ .

- 9.48** The diodes in the full-wave DC power supply shown in Figure P9.44 are silicon. If

$$I_L = 250 \text{ mA} \quad V_L = 10 \text{ V}$$

$$V_r = 2.4 \text{ V} \quad \omega = 377 \text{ rad/s}$$

$$V_{\text{line}} = 156 \cos(\omega t) \quad \text{V}$$

determine the value of

- The turns ratio  $n$ .
- The capacitor  $C$ .

### Section 9.5: DC Power Supplies, Zener Diodes, and Voltage Regulation

- 9.49** The diode shown in Figure P9.49 has a piecewise linear characteristic that passes through the points  $(-10 \text{ V}, -5 \mu\text{A})$ ,  $(0, 0)$ ,  $(0.5 \text{ V}, 5 \text{ mA})$ , and

(1 V, 50 mA). Determine the piecewise linear model, and using that model, solve for  $i$  and  $v$ .

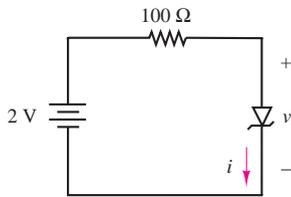


Figure P9.49

9.50 Find the minimum value of  $R_L$  in the circuit shown in Figure P9.50 for which the output voltage remains at just 5.6 V.

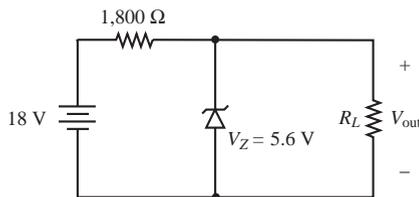


Figure P9.50

9.51 Determine the minimum value and the maximum value that the series resistor may have in a regulator circuit whose output voltage is to be 25 V, whose input voltage varies from 35 to 40 V, and whose maximum load current is 75 mA. The Zener diode used in this circuit has a maximum current rating of 250 mA.

9.52 The  $i$ - $v$  characteristic of a semiconductor diode designed to operate in the Zener breakdown region is shown in Figure P9.52. The Zener or breakdown region extends from a minimum current at the knee of the curve, equal here to about  $-5$  mA (from the graph), and the maximum rated current equal to  $-90$  mA (from the specification sheet). Determine the Zener resistance and Zener voltage of the diode.

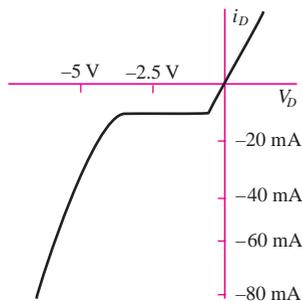


Figure P9.52

9.53 The Zener diode in the simple voltage regulator circuit shown in Figure P9.53 is a 1N5231B. The source voltage is obtained from a DC power supply. It has a DC and a ripple component

$$v_S = V_S + V_r$$

where:

$$V_S = 20 \text{ V} \quad V_r = 250 \text{ mV}$$

$$R = 220 \text{ } \Omega \quad I_L = 65 \text{ mA} \quad V_L = 5.1 \text{ V}$$

$$V_z = 5.1 \text{ V} \quad r_z = 17 \text{ } \Omega \quad P_{\text{rated}} = 0.5 \text{ W}$$

$$i_{z \text{ min}} = 10 \text{ mA}$$

Determine the maximum rated current the diode can handle without exceeding its power limitation.

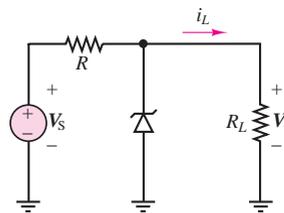


Figure P9.53

9.54 The 1N963 Zener diode in the simple voltage regulator circuit shown in Figure P9.53 has the specifications

$$V_z = 12 \text{ V} \quad r_z = 11.5 \text{ } \Omega \quad P_{\text{rated}} = 400 \text{ mW}$$

At the knee of curve,

$$i_{zk} = 0.25 \text{ mA} \quad r_{zk} = 700 \text{ } \Omega$$

Determine the maximum rated current the diode can handle without exceeding its power limitation.

9.55 In the simple voltage regulator circuit shown in Figure P9.53,  $R$  must maintain the Zener diode current within its specified limits for all values of the source voltage, load current, and Zener diode voltage. Determine the minimum and maximum values of  $R$  which can be used.

$$V_z = 5 \text{ V} \pm 10\% \quad r_z = 15 \text{ } \Omega$$

$$i_{z \text{ min}} = 3.5 \text{ mA} \quad i_{z \text{ max}} = 65 \text{ mA}$$

$$V_S = 12 \pm 3 \text{ V} \quad I_L = 70 \pm 20 \text{ mA}$$

9.56 In the simple voltage regulator circuit shown in Figure P9.53,  $R$  must maintain the Zener diode current within its specified limits for all values of the source voltage, load current, and Zener diode voltage. If

$$V_z = 12 \text{ V} \pm 10\% \quad r_z = 9 \text{ } \Omega$$

$$i_{z \text{ min}} = 3.25 \text{ mA} \quad i_{z \text{ max}} = 80 \text{ mA}$$

$$V_S = 25 \pm 1.5 \text{ V}$$

$$I_L = 31.5 \pm 21.5 \text{ mA}$$

determine the minimum and maximum values of  $R$  which can be used.

**9.57** In the simple voltage regulator circuit shown in Figure P9.53, the Zener diode is a 1N4740A.

$$V_z = 10 \text{ V} \pm 5\% \quad r_z = 7 \Omega \quad i_{z \min} = 10 \text{ mA}$$

$$P_{\text{rated}} = 1 \text{ W} \quad i_{z \max} = 91 \text{ mA}$$

$$V_S = 14 \pm 2 \text{ V} \quad R = 19.8 \Omega$$

Determine the minimum and maximum load current for which the diode current remains within its specified values.

**9.58** In the simple voltage regulator circuit shown in Figure P9.53, the Zener diode is a 1N963. Determine the minimum and maximum load current for which the diode current remains within its specified values.

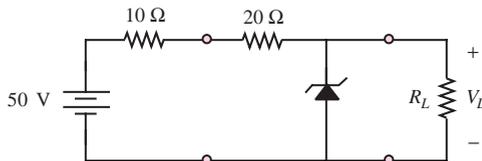
$$V_z = 12 \text{ V} \pm 10\% \quad r_z = 11.5 \Omega$$

$$i_{z \min} = 2.5 \text{ mA} \quad i_{z \max} = 32.6 \text{ mA}$$

$$P_R = 400 \text{ mW}$$

$$V_S = 25 \pm 2 \text{ V} \quad R = 470 \Omega$$

**9.59** For the Zener regulator shown in the circuit of Figure P9.59, we desire to hold the load voltage to 14 V. Find the range of load resistances for which regulation can be obtained if the Zener diode is rated at 14 V, 5 W.

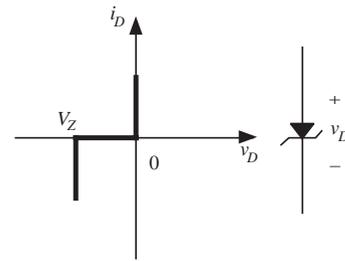


**Figure P9.59**

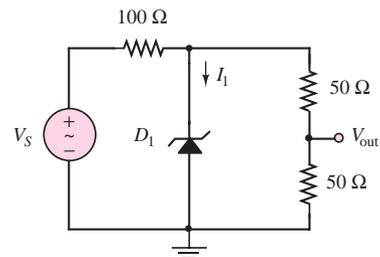
**9.60** A Zener diode ideal  $i$ - $v$  characteristic is shown in Figure P9.60(a). Given a Zener voltage,  $V_Z$  of 7.7 V, find the output voltage  $V_{\text{out}}$  for the circuit of Figure P9.60(b) if  $V_S$  is:

a. 12 V

b. 20 V



(a)



(b)

**Figure P9.60**



# C H A P T E R

# 10

## BIPOLAR JUNCTION TRANSISTORS: OPERATION, CIRCUIT MODELS, AND APPLICATIONS

**C**hapter 10 continues the discussion of electronic devices that began in Chapter 9 with the semiconductor diode. This chapter describes the operating characteristics of one of the two major families of electronic devices: bipolar transistors. Chapter 10 is devoted to a brief, qualitative discussion of the physics and operation of the bipolar junction transistor (BJT), which naturally follows the discussion of the  $pn$  junction in Chapter 9. The  $i$ - $v$  characteristics of bipolar transistors and their operating states are presented. Large-signal circuit models for the BJT are then introduced, to illustrate how one can analyze transistor circuits by using basic circuit analysis methods. A few practical examples are discussed to illustrate the use of the circuit models.

This chapter introduces the operation of the bipolar junction transistor. Bipolar transistors represent one of two major families of electronic devices that can serve as amplifiers and switches. Chapter 10 reviews the operation of the bipolar junction transistor and presents simple models that permit the analysis and design of simple amplifier and switch circuits.

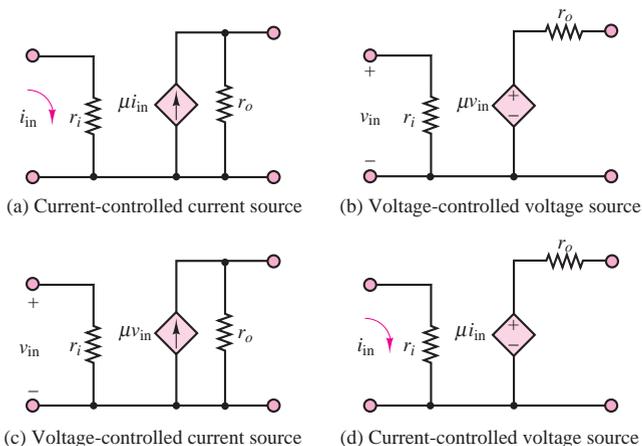
## Learning Objectives

1. Understand the basic principles of amplification and switching. *Section 10.1.*
2. Understand the physical operation of bipolar transistors; determine the operating point of a bipolar transistor circuit. *Section 10.2.*
3. Understand the large-signal model of the bipolar transistor, and apply it to simple amplifier circuits. *Section 10.3.*
4. Select the operating point of a bipolar transistor circuit; understand the principle of small-signal amplifiers. *Section 10.4.*
5. Understand the operation of a bipolar transistor as a switch, and analyze basic analog and digital gate circuits. *Section 10.5.*

## 10.1 TRANSISTORS AS AMPLIFIERS AND SWITCHES

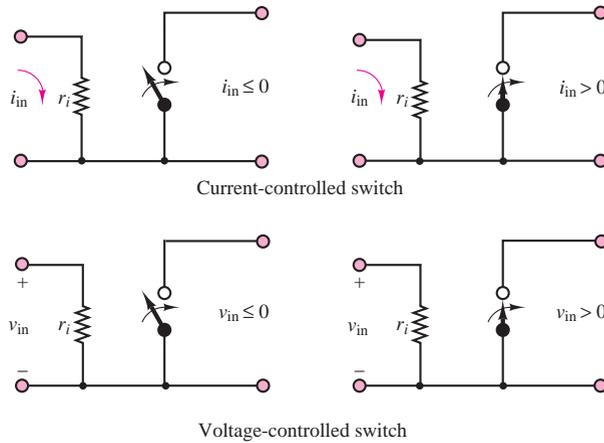
A transistor is a three-terminal semiconductor device that can perform two functions that are fundamental to the design of electronic circuits: **amplification** and **switching**. Put simply, amplification consists of magnifying a signal by transferring energy to it from an external source, whereas a transistor switch is a device for controlling a relatively large current between or voltage across two terminals by means of a small control current or voltage applied at a third terminal. In this chapter, we provide an introduction to the two major families of transistors: *bipolar junction transistors*, or *BJTs*; and *field-effect transistors*, or *FETs*.

The operation of the transistor as a linear amplifier can be explained qualitatively by the sketch of Figure 10.1, in which the four possible modes of operation of a transistor are illustrated by means of circuit models employing controlled sources (you may wish to review the material on controlled sources in Section 2.1). In Figure 10.1, controlled voltage and current sources are shown to generate an output proportional to an input current or voltage; the proportionality constant  $\mu$  is called the internal *gain* of the transistor. As will be shown, the BJT acts essentially as a current-controlled device, while the FET behaves as a voltage-controlled device.



**Figure 10.1** Controlled source models of linear amplifier transistor operation

Transistors can also act in a nonlinear mode, as voltage- or current-controlled switches. When a transistor operates as a switch, a small voltage or current is used to control the flow of current between two of the transistor terminals in an on/off fashion. Figure 10.2 depicts the idealized operation of the transistor as a switch, suggesting that the switch is closed (on) whenever a control voltage or current is greater than zero and is open (off) otherwise. It will later become apparent that the conditions for the switch to be on or off need not necessarily be those depicted in Figure 10.2.



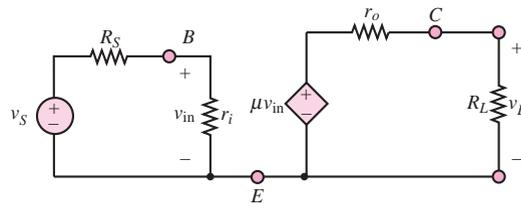
**Figure 10.2** Models of ideal transistor switches

### EXAMPLE 10.1 Model of Linear Amplifier



#### Problem

Determine the voltage gain of the amplifier circuit model shown in Figure 10.3.



**Figure 10.3**

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Amplifier internal input and output resistances  $r_i$  and  $r_o$ ; amplifier internal gain  $\mu$ ; source and load resistances  $R_S$  and  $R_L$ .

**Find:**  $A_V = \frac{v_L}{v_S}$

**Analysis:** First determine the input voltage,  $v_{in}$ , using the voltage divider rule:

$$v_{in} = \frac{r_i}{r_i + R_S} v_S$$

Then, the output of the controlled voltage source is:

$$\mu v_{in} = \mu \frac{r_i}{r_i + R_S} v_S$$

and the output voltage can be found by the voltage divider rule:

$$v_L = \mu \frac{r_i}{r_i + R_S} v_S \times \frac{R_L}{r_o + R_L}$$

Finally, the amplifier voltage gain can be computed:

$$A_V = \frac{v_L}{v_S} = \mu \frac{r_i}{r_i + R_S} \times \frac{R_L}{r_o + R_L}$$

**Comments:** Note that the voltage gain computed above is always less than the transistor internal voltage gain,  $\mu$ . One can easily show that if the conditions  $r_i \gg R_S$  and  $r_o \ll R_L$  hold, then the gain of the amplifier becomes approximately equal to the gain of the transistor. One can therefore conclude that the actual gain of an amplifier always depends on the relative values of source and input resistance, and of output and load resistance.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Repeat the analysis of Example 10.1 for the current-controlled voltage source model of Figure 10.1(d). What is the amplifier voltage gain? Under what conditions would the gain  $A$  be equal to  $\mu/R_S$ ?

Repeat the analysis of Example 10.1 for the current-controlled current source model of Figure 10.1(a). What is the amplifier voltage gain?

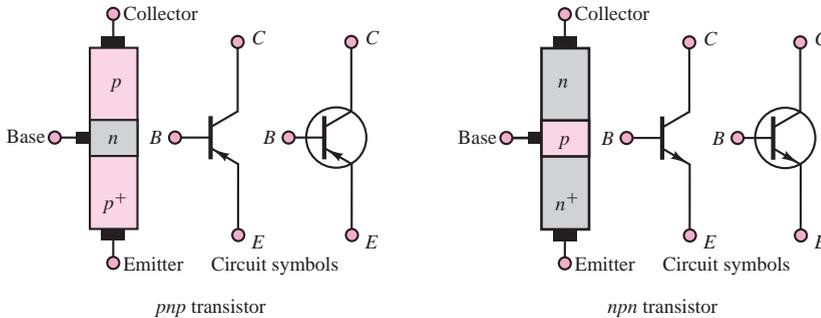
Repeat the analysis of Example 10.1 for the voltage-controlled current source model of Figure 10.1(c). What is the amplifier voltage gain?

$$\text{Answers: } A = \mu \frac{r_i}{r_i + R_S} \frac{R_L}{r_o + R_L} \quad r_i \rightarrow 0, r_o \rightarrow 0: A = \mu \frac{r_i}{r_i + R_S} \frac{r_o R_L}{r_o + R_L};$$

## 10.2 OPERATION OF THE BIPOLAR JUNCTION TRANSISTOR

The  $pn$  junction studied in Chapter 9 forms the basis of a large number of semiconductor devices. The semiconductor diode, a two-terminal device, is the most direct application of the  $pn$  junction. In this section, we introduce the **bipolar junction transistor (BJT)**. As we did in analyzing the diode, we will introduce the physics of transistor devices as intuitively as possible, resorting to an analysis of their  $i$ - $v$  characteristics to discover important properties and applications.

A BJT is formed by joining three sections of semiconductor material, each with a different doping concentration. The three sections can be either a thin  $n$  region sandwiched between  $p^+$  and  $p$  layers, or a  $p$  region between  $n$  and  $n^+$  layers, where the superscript plus indicates more heavily doped material. The resulting BJTs are called  $pnp$  and  $npn$  transistors, respectively; we discuss only the latter in this chapter. Figure 10.4 illustrates the approximate construction, symbols, and nomenclature for the two types of BJTs.



**Figure 10.4** Bipolar junction transistors

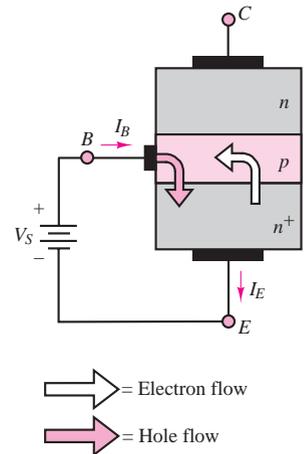
The operation of the  $npn$  BJT may be explained by considering the transistor as consisting of two back-to-back  $pn$  junctions. The **base-emitter (BE) junction** acts very much as a diode when it is forward-biased; thus, one can picture the corresponding flow of hole and electron currents from base to emitter when the collector is open and the  $BE$  junction is forward-biased, as depicted in Figure 10.5. Note that the electron current has been shown larger than the hole current, because of the heavier doping of the  $n$  side of the junction. Some of the electron-hole pairs in the base will recombine; the remaining charge carriers will give rise to a net flow of current from base to emitter. It is also important to observe that the base is much narrower than the emitter section of the transistor.

Imagine, now, reverse-biasing the **base-collector (BC) junction**. In this case, an interesting phenomenon takes place: the electrons “emitted” by the emitter with the  $BE$  junction forward-biased reach the very narrow base region, and after a few are lost to recombination in the base, most of these electrons are “collected” by the collector. Figure 10.6 illustrates how the reverse bias across the  $BC$  junction is in such a direction as to sweep the electrons from the emitter into the collector. This phenomenon can take place because the base region is kept particularly narrow. Since the base is narrow, there is a high probability that the electrons will have gathered enough momentum from the electric field to cross the reverse-biased collector-base junction and make it into the collector. The result is that there is a net flow of current from collector to emitter (opposite in direction to the flow of electrons), in addition to the hole current from base to emitter. The electron current flowing into the collector through the base is substantially larger than that which flows into the base from the external circuit. One can see from Figure 10.6 that if KCL is to be satisfied, we must have

$$I_E = I_B + I_C \tag{10.1}$$

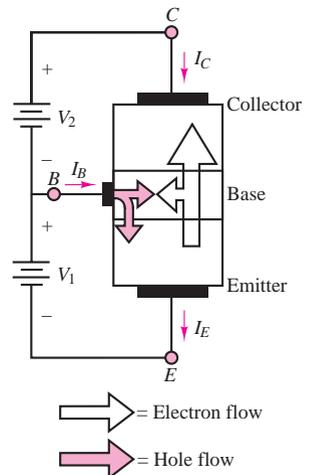
The most important property of the bipolar transistor is that the small base current controls the amount of the much larger collector current

$$I_C = \beta I_B \tag{10.2}$$



The  $BE$  junction acts very much as an ordinary diode when the collector is open. In this case,  $I_B = I_E$ .

**Figure 10.5** Current flow in an  $npn$  BJT



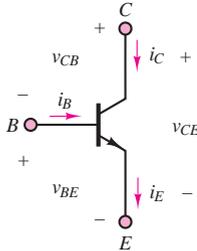
When the  $BC$  junction is reverse-biased, the electrons from the emitter region are swept across the base into the collector.

**Figure 10.6** Flow of emitter electrons into the collector in an  $npn$  BJT

where  $\beta$  is a current amplification factor dependent on the physical properties of the transistor. Typical values of  $\beta$  range from 20 to 200. The operation of a *pnp* transistor is completely analogous to that of the *npn* device, with the roles of the charge carriers (and therefore the signs of the currents) reversed. The symbol for a *pnp* transistor is shown in Figure 10.4.

The exact operation of bipolar transistors can be explained by resorting to a detailed physical analysis of the *npn* or *pnp* structure of these devices. The reader interested in such a discussion of transistors is referred to any one of a number of excellent books on semiconductor electronics. The aim of this book, however, is to provide an introduction to the basic principles of transistor operation by means of simple linear circuit models based on the device *i-v* characteristic. Although it is certainly useful for the non-electrical engineer to understand the basic principles of operation of electronic devices, it is unlikely that most readers will engage in the design of high-performance electronic circuits or will need a detailed understanding of the operation of each device. This chapter will therefore serve as a compendium of the basic ideas, enabling an engineer to read and understand electronic circuit diagrams and to specify the requirements of electronic instrumentation systems. The focus of this section will be on the analysis of the *i-v* characteristic of the *npn* BJT, based on the circuit notation defined in Figure 10.7. The device *i-v* characteristics will be presented qualitatively, without deriving the underlying equations, and will be utilized in constructing circuit models for the device.

The operation of the BJT is defined in terms of two currents and two voltages:  $i_B$ ,  $i_C$ ,  $v_{CE}$ , and  $v_{BE}$ .



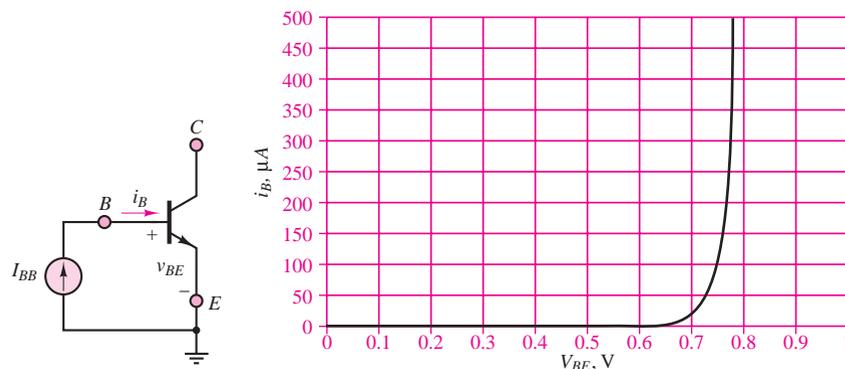
$$\text{KCL: } i_E = i_B + i_C$$

$$\text{KVL: } v_{CE} = v_{CB} + v_{BE}$$

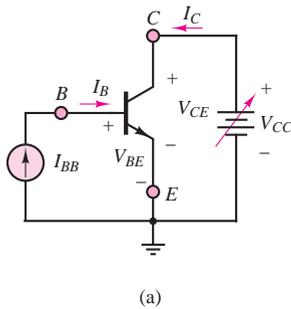
**Figure 10.7** Definition of BJT voltages and currents

The number of independent variables required to uniquely define the operation of the transistor may be determined by applying KVL and KCL to the circuit of Figure 10.7. Two voltages and two currents are sufficient to specify the operation of the device. Note that since the BJT is a three-terminal device, it will not be sufficient to deal with a single *i-v* characteristic; two such characteristics are required to explain the operation of this device. One of these characteristics relates the base current,  $i_B$  to the base-emitter voltage  $v_{BE}$ ; the other relates the collector current  $i_C$  to the collector-emitter voltage  $v_{CE}$ . The latter characteristic actually consists of a *family* of curves. To determine these *i-v* characteristics, consider the *i-v* curves of Figures 10.8 and 10.9, using the circuit notation of Figure 10.7. In Figure 10.8, the collector is open and the *BE* junction is shown to be very similar to a diode. The ideal current source  $I_{BB}$  injects a base current, which causes the junction to be forward-biased. By varying  $I_{BB}$ , one can obtain the open-collector *BE* junction *i-v* curve shown in the figure.

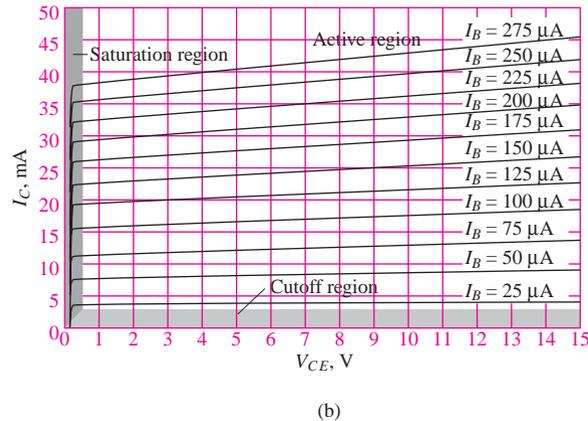
If a voltage source were now to be connected to the collector circuit, the voltage  $v_{CE}$  and, therefore, the collector current  $i_C$  could be varied, in addition to the base



**Figure 10.8** The *BE* junction open-collector curve



**Figure 10.9(a)** Ideal test circuit to determine the  $i$ - $v$  characteristic of a BJT



**Figure 10.9(b)** The collector-emitter output characteristics of a BJT

current  $i_B$ . The resulting circuit is depicted in Figure 10.9(a). By varying both the base current and the collector-emitter voltage, one could then generate a plot of the device **collector characteristic**. This is also shown in Figure 10.9(b). Note that this figure depicts not just a single  $i_C$ - $v_{CE}$  curve, but an entire family, since for each value of the base current  $i_B$ , an  $i_C$ - $v_{CE}$  curve can be generated. Four regions are identified in the collector characteristic:

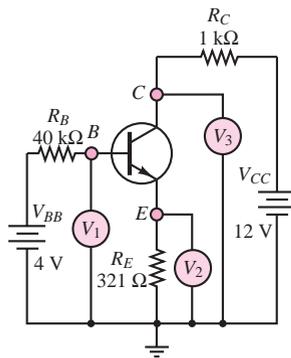
1. The **cutoff region**, where both junctions are reverse-biased, the base current is very small, and essentially no collector current flows.
2. The **active linear region**, in which the transistor can act as a linear amplifier, where the  $BE$  junction is forward-biased and the  $CB$  junction is reverse-biased.
3. The **saturation region**, in which both junctions are forward-biased.
4. The **breakdown region**, which determines the physical limit of operation of the device.



From the curves of Figure 10.9(b), we note that as  $v_{CE}$  is increased, the collector current increases rapidly, until it reaches a nearly constant value; this condition holds until the collector junction breakdown voltage  $BV_{CEO}$  is reached (for the purposes of this book, we shall not concern ourselves with the phenomenon of breakdown, except in noting that there are maximum allowable voltages and currents in a transistor). If we were to repeat the same measurement for a set of different values of  $i_B$ , the corresponding value of  $i_C$  would change accordingly, hence, the family of collector characteristic curves.

### Determining the Operating Region of a BJT

Before we discuss common circuit models for the BJT, it will be useful to consider the problem of determining the operating region of the transistor. A few simple voltage measurements permit a quick determination of the state of a transistor placed in a



**Figure 10.10** Determination of the operation region of a BJT

circuit. Consider, for example, the BJT described by the curves of Figure 10.9 when it is placed in the circuit of Figure 10.10. In this figure, voltmeters are used to measure the value of the collector, emitter, and base voltages. Can these simple measurements identify the operating region of the transistor? Assume that the measurements reveal the following conditions:

$$V_B = V_1 = 2 \text{ V} \quad V_E = V_2 = 1.3 \text{ V} \quad V_C = V_3 = 8 \text{ V}$$

What can be said about the operating region of the transistor?

The first observation is that knowing  $V_B$  and  $V_E$  permits determination of  $V_{BE}$ :  $V_B - V_E = 0.7 \text{ V}$ . Thus, we know that the  $BE$  junction is forward-biased. Another quick calculation permits determination of the relationship between base and collector current: the base current is equal to

$$I_B = \frac{V_{BB} - V_B}{R_B} = \frac{4 - 2}{40,000} = 50 \mu\text{A}$$

while the collector current is

$$I_C = \frac{V_{CC} - V_C}{R_C} = \frac{12 - 8}{1,000} = 4 \text{ mA}$$

Thus, the current amplification (or gain) factor for the transistor is

$$\frac{I_C}{I_B} = \beta = 80$$

Such a value for the current gain suggests that the transistor is in the linear active region, because substantial current amplification is taking place (typical values of current gain range from 20 to 200). Finally, the collector-to-emitter voltage  $V_{CE}$  is found to be  $V_{CE} = V_C - V_E = 8 - 1.3 = 6.7 \text{ V}$ .

At this point, you should be able to locate the operating point of the transistor on the curves of Figures 10.8 and 10.9. The currents  $I_B$  and  $I_C$  and the voltage  $V_{CE}$  uniquely determine the state of the transistor in the  $I_C$ - $V_{CE}$  and  $I_B$ - $V_{BE}$  characteristic curves. What would happen if the transistor were not in the linear active region? Examples 10.2 and 10.3 answer this question and provide further insight into the operation of the bipolar transistor.



## EXAMPLE 10.2 Determining the Operating Region of a BJT

### Problem

Determine the operating region of the BJT in the circuit of Figure 10.10 when the base voltage source  $V_{BB}$  is short-circuited.

### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Base and collector supply voltages; base, emitter, and collector resistance values.

**Find:** Operating region of the transistor.

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $V_{BB} = 0$ ;  $V_{CC} = 12 \text{ V}$ ;  $R_B = 40 \text{ k}\Omega$ ;  $R_C = 1 \text{ k}\Omega$ ;  $R_E = 321 \Omega$ .

**Analysis:** Since  $V_{BB} = 0$ , the base will be at 0 V, and therefore the base-emitter junction is reverse-biased and the base current is zero. Thus the emitter current will also be nearly zero. From equation 10.1 we conclude that the collector current must also be zero. Checking these observations against Figure 10.9(b) leads to the conclusion that the transistor is in the cutoff state. In these cases the three voltmeters of Figure 10.10 will read zero for  $V_B$  and  $V_E$  and +12 V for  $V_C$ , since there is no voltage drop across  $R_C$ .

**Comments:** In general, if the base supply voltage is not sufficient to forward bias the base-emitter junction, the transistor will be in the cutoff region.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Describe the operation of a *pn*p transistor in the active region, by analogy with that of the *np*n transistor.

### EXAMPLE 10.3 Determining the Operating Region of a BJT

#### Problem

Determine the operating region of the BJT in the circuit of Figure 10.11.

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Base, collector, and emitter voltages with respect to ground.

**Find:** Operating region of the transistor.

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $V_1 = V_B = 2.7$  V;  $V_2 = V_E = 2$  V;  $V_3 = V_C = 2.3$  V.

**Analysis:** To determine the region of the transistor, we shall compute  $V_{BE}$  and  $V_{BC}$  to determine whether the *BE* and *BC* junctions are forward- or reverse-biased. Operation in the *saturation region* corresponds to forward bias at both junctions (and very small voltage drops); operation in the *active region* is characterized by a forward-biased *BE* junction and a reverse-biased *BC* junction.

From the available measurements, we compute:

$$V_{BE} = V_B - V_E = 0.7 \text{ V}$$

$$V_{BC} = V_B - V_C = 0.4 \text{ V}$$

Since both junctions are forward-biased, the transistor is operating in the saturation region. The value of  $V_{CE} = V_C - V_E = 0.3$  V is also very small. This is usually a good indication that the BJT is operating in saturation.

**Comments:** Try to locate the operating point of this transistor in Figure 10.9(b), assuming that

$$I_C = \frac{V_{CC} - V_3}{R_C} = \frac{12 - 2.3}{1,000} = 9.7 \text{ mA}$$

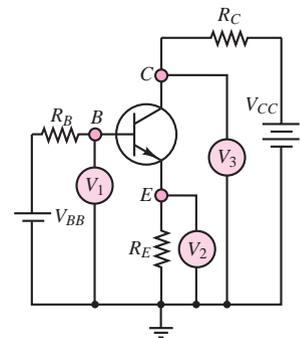


Figure 10.11

### CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

For the circuit of Figure 10.11, the voltmeter readings are  $V_1 = 3\text{ V}$ ,  $V_2 = 2.4\text{ V}$ , and  $V_3 = 2.7\text{ V}$ . Determine the operating region of the transistor.

Answer: Saturation

## 10.3 BJT LARGE-SIGNAL MODEL

The  $i$ - $v$  characteristics and the simple circuits of the previous sections indicate that the BJT acts very much as a current-controlled current source: A small amount of current injected into the base can cause a much larger current to flow into the collector. This conceptual model, although somewhat idealized, is useful in describing a **large-signal model** for the BJT, that is, a model that describes the behavior of the BJT in the presence of relatively large base and collector currents, close to the limit of operation of the device. This model is certainly not a complete description of the properties of the BJT, nor does it accurately depict all the effects that characterize the operation of such devices (e.g., temperature effects, saturation, and cutoff); however, it is adequate for the intended objectives of this book, in that it provides a good qualitative feel for the important features of transistor amplifiers.

### Large-Signal Model of the *n*pn BJT

The large-signal model for the BJT recognizes three basic operating modes of the transistor. When the  $BE$  junction is reverse-biased, no base current (and therefore no forward collector current) flows, and the transistor acts virtually as an open circuit; the transistor is said to be in the *cutoff region*. In practice, there is always a leakage current flowing through the collector, even when  $V_{BE} = 0$  and  $I_B = 0$ . This leakage current is denoted by  $I_{CEO}$ . When the  $BE$  junction becomes forward-biased, the transistor is said to be in the *active region*, and the base current is amplified by a factor of  $\beta$  at the collector:

$$I_C = \beta I_B \quad (10.3)$$

Since the collector current is controlled by the base current, the controlled-source symbol is used to represent the collector current. Finally, when the base current becomes sufficiently large, the collector-emitter voltage  $V_{CE}$  reaches its saturation limit, and the collector current is no longer proportional to the base current; this is called the *saturation region*. The three conditions are described in Figure 10.12 in terms of simple circuit models. The corresponding collector curves are shown in Figure 10.13.

The large-signal model of the BJT presented in this section treats the  $BE$  junction as an offset diode and assumes that the BJT in the linear active region acts as an ideal controlled current source. In reality, the  $BE$  junction is better modeled by considering

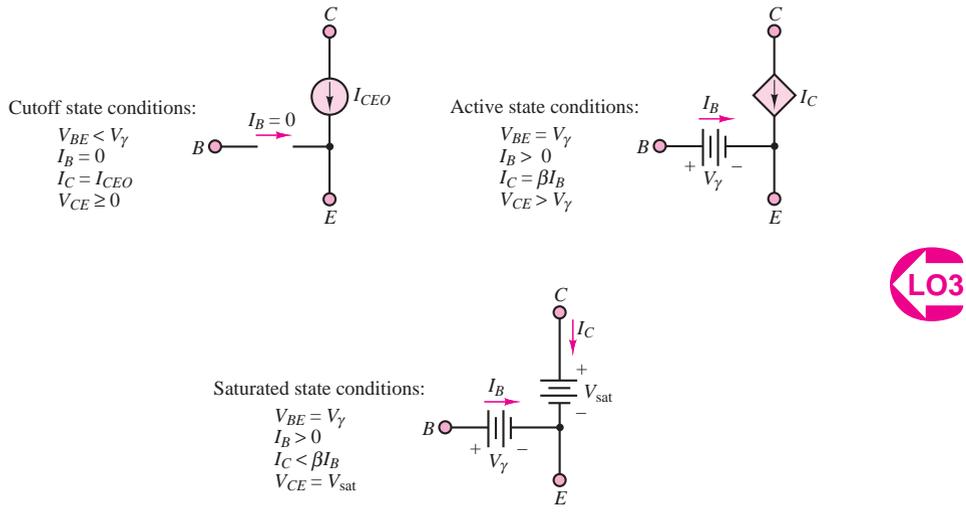


Figure 10.12 An npn BJT large-signal model

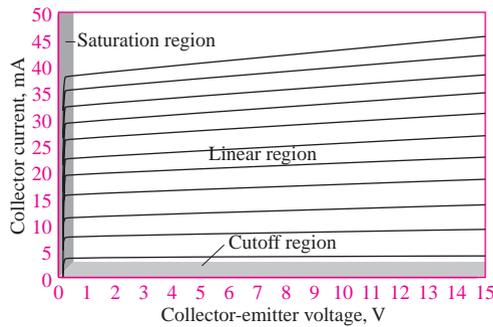


Figure 10.13 BJT collector characteristic

the forward resistance of the *pn* junction; further, the BJT does not act quite as an ideal current-controlled current source. Nonetheless, the large-signal BJT model is a very useful tool for many applications. Example 10.4 illustrates the application of this large-signal model in a practical circuit and illustrates how to determine which of the three states is applicable, using relatively simple analysis.

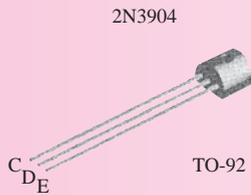
## FOCUS ON METHODOLOGY

### USING DEVICE DATA SHEETS

One of the most important design tools available to engineers is the **device data sheet**. In this box we illustrate the use of a device data sheet for the 2N3904 bipolar transistor. This is an *npn general-purpose amplifier* transistor. Excerpts from the data sheet are shown below, with some words of explanation.



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**NPN general-purpose amplifier**

This device is designed as a general-purpose amplifier and switch. The useful dynamic range extends to 100 mA as a switch and to 100 MHz as an amplifier.

**ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS**

The section on electrical characteristics summarizes some of the important voltage and current specifications of the transistor. For example, you will find breakdown voltages (not to be exceeded), and cutoff currents. In this section you also find important modeling information, related to the *large-signal model* described in this chapter. The large-signal current gain of the transistor  $h_{FE}$  or  $\beta$ , is given as a function of collector current. Note that this parameter varies significantly (from 30 to 100) as the DC collector current varies. Also important are the *CE* and *BE* junction saturation voltages (the batteries in the large-signal model of Figure 10.12).

**Electrical Characteristics**  $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$  unless otherwise noted

Symbol	Parameter	Test Conditions	Min.	Max.	Units
<b>Off Characteristics</b>					
$V_{(BR)CEO}$	Collector-emitter breakdown voltage	$I_C = 1.0 \text{ mA}, I_B = 0$	40		V
$V_{(BR)CBO}$	Collector-base breakdown voltage	$I_C = 10 \mu\text{A}, I_E = 0$	60		V
$V_{(BR)EBO}$	Emitter-base breakdown voltage	$I_E = 10 \mu\text{A}, I_C = 0$	6.0		V
$I_{BL}$	Base cutoff current	$V_{CE} = 30 \text{ V}, V_{EB} = 0$		50	nA
$I_{CEX}$	Collector cutoff current	$V_{CE} = 30 \text{ V}, V_{EB} = 0$		50	nA
<b>On Characteristics</b>					
$h_{FE}$	DC gain	$I_C = 0.1 \text{ mA}, V_{CE} = 1.0 \text{ V}$ $I_C = 1.0 \text{ mA}, V_{CE} = 1.0 \text{ V}$ $I_C = 10 \text{ mA}, V_{CE} = 1.0 \text{ V}$ $I_C = 50 \text{ mA}, V_{CE} = 1.0 \text{ V}$ $I_C = 100 \text{ mA}, V_{CE} = 1.0 \text{ V}$	40 70 100 60 30	300	
$V_{CE(\text{sat})}$	Collector-emitter saturation voltage	$I_C = 10 \text{ mA}, I_B = 1.0 \text{ mA}$ $I_C = 50 \text{ mA}, I_B = 5.0 \text{ mA}$		0.2 0.3	V V
$V_{BE(\text{sat})}$	Base-emitter saturation voltage	$I_C = 10 \text{ mA}, I_B = 1.0 \text{ mA}$ $I_C = 50 \text{ mA}, I_B = 5.0 \text{ mA}$	0.065	0.85 0.95	V V

**THERMAL CHARACTERISTICS**

This table summarizes the thermal limitations of the device. For example, one can find the **power rating**, listed at 625 mW at  $25^\circ\text{C}$ . Note that in the entry for the total device power dissipation, **derating** information is also given. Derating implies that the device power dissipation will change as a function of temperature, in

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this case at the rate of 5 mW/°C. For example, if we expect to operate the diode at a temperature of 100°C, we calculate a derated power of

$$P = 625 \text{ mW} - 75^\circ\text{C} \times 5 \text{ mW}/^\circ\text{C} = 250 \text{ mW}$$

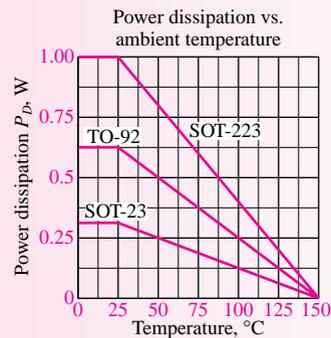
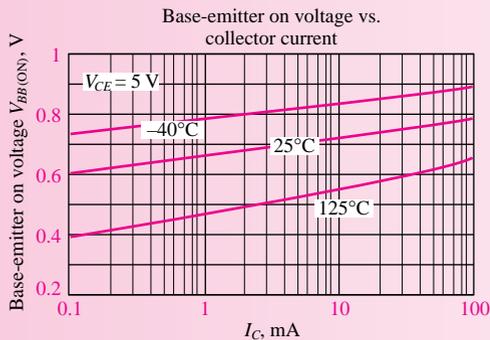
Thus, the diode operated at a higher temperature can dissipate only 250 mW.

#### Thermal Characteristics $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$ unless otherwise noted

Symbol	Characteristic	Max.		Units
		2N3904	PZT3904	
$P_D$	Total device dissipation	625	1,000	mW
	Derate above 25°C	5.0	8.0	mW/°C
$R_{\theta/C}$	Thermal resistance, junction to case	83.3		°C/W
$R_{\theta/A}$	Thermal resistance, junction to ambient	200	125	°C/W

## TYPICAL CHARACTERISTIC CURVES

Device data sheets always include characteristic curves that may be useful to a designer. In this example, we include the base-emitter “on” voltage as a function of collector current, for three device temperatures. We also show the power dissipation versus ambient temperature derating curve for three different device *packages*. The transistor’s ability to dissipate power is determined by its heat transfer properties; the package shown is the TO-92 package; the SOT-223 and SOT-23 packages have different heat transfer characteristics, leading to different power dissipation capabilities.

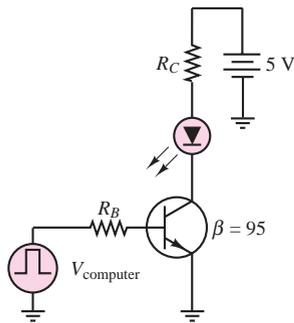


### EXAMPLE 10.4 LED Driver



#### Problem

Design a transistor amplifier to supply a LED. The LED is required to turn on and off following the on/off signal from a digital output port of a microcomputer. The circuit is shown in Figure 10.14.



**Figure 10.14** LED driver circuit

### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Microprocessor output resistance and output signal voltage and current levels; LED offset voltage, required current, and power rating; BJT current gain and base-emitter junction offset voltage.

**Find:** Collector resistance  $R_C$  such that the transistor is in the saturation region when the computer outputs 5 V; power dissipated by LED.

### Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:

Microprocessor: output resistance =  $R_B = 1\text{ k}\Omega$ ;  $V_{ON} = 5\text{ V}$ ;  $V_{OFF} = 0\text{ V}$ ;  $I = 5\text{ mA}$ .

Transistor:  $V_{CC} = 5\text{ V}$ ;  $V_\gamma = 0.7\text{ V}$ ;  $\beta = 95$ ;  $V_{CEsat} = 0.2\text{ V}$ .

LED:  $V_{\gamma LED} = 1.4\text{ V}$ ;  $I_{LED} > 15\text{ mA}$ ;  $P_{max} = 100\text{ mW}$ .

**Assumptions:** Use the large-signal model of Figure 10.12.

**Analysis:** When the computer output voltage is zero, the BJT is clearly in the cutoff region, since no base current can flow. When the computer output voltage is  $V_{ON} = 5\text{ V}$ , we wish to drive the transistor into the saturation region. Recall that operation in saturation corresponds to small values of collector-emitter voltages, with typical values of  $V_{CE}$  around  $0.2\text{ V}$ . Figure 10.15(a) depicts the equivalent base-emitter circuit when the computer output voltage is  $V_{ON} = 5\text{ V}$ . Figure 10.15(b) depicts the collector circuit, and Figure 10.15(c), the same collector circuit with the large-signal model for the transistor (the battery  $V_{CEsat}$ ) in place of the BJT. From this saturation model we write

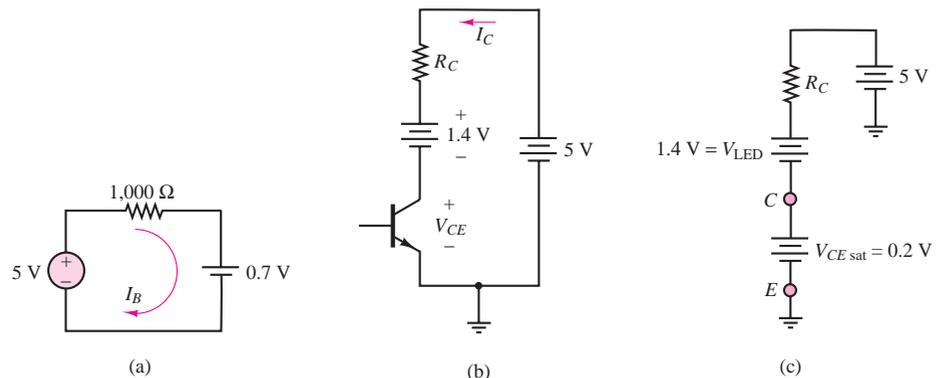
$$V_{CC} = R_C I_C + V_{\gamma LED} + V_{CEsat}$$

or

$$R_C = \frac{V_{CC} - V_{\gamma LED} - V_{CEsat}}{I_C} = \frac{3.4}{I_C}$$

We know that the LED requires at least  $15\text{ mA}$  to be on. Let us suppose that  $30\text{ mA}$  is a reasonable LED current to ensure good brightness. Then the value of collector resistance that would complete our design is, approximately,  $R_C = 113\ \Omega$ .

With the above design, the BJT LED driver will clearly operate as intended to turn the LED on and off. But how do we know that the BJT is in fact in the saturation region? Recall that the major difference between operation in the active and saturation regions is that in the active region the transistor displays a nearly constant current gain  $\beta$  while in the saturation



**Figure 10.15** (a) BE circuit for LED driver; (b) equivalent collector circuit of LED driver, assuming that the BJT is in the linear active region; (c) LED driver equivalent collector circuit, assuming that the BJT is in the saturation region

region the current gain is much smaller. Since we know that the nominal  $\beta$  for the transistor is 95, we can calculate the base current, using the equivalent base circuit of Figure 10.15(a), and determine the ratio of base to collector current:

$$I_B = \frac{V_{ON} - V_\gamma}{R_B} = \frac{4.3}{1,000} = 4.3 \text{ mA}$$

The actual large-signal current gain is therefore equal to  $30/4.3 = 6.7 \ll \beta$ . Thus, it can be reasonably assumed that the BJT is operating in saturation.

We finally compute the LED power dissipation:

$$P_{LED} = V_{\gamma LED} I_C = 1.4 \times 0.3 = 42 \text{ mW} < 100 \text{ mW}$$

Since the power rating of the LED has not been exceeded, the design is complete.

**Comments:** Using the large-signal model of the BJT is quite easy, since the model simply substitutes voltage sources in place of the  $BE$  and  $CE$  junctions. To be sure that the correct model (e.g., saturation versus active region) has been employed, it is necessary to verify either the current gain or the value of the  $CE$  junction voltage. Current gains near the nominal  $\beta$  indicate active region operation, while small  $CE$  junction voltages denote operation in saturation.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Repeat the analysis of Example 10.4 for  $R_S = 400 \Omega$ . In which region is the transistor operating? What is the collector current?

What is the power dissipated by the LED in Example 10.4 if  $R_S = 30 \Omega$ ?

Answers: Saturation; 8.5 mA; 159 mW

## EXAMPLE 10.5 Simple BJT Battery Charger (BJT Current Source)



### Problem

Design a constant-current battery charging circuit; that is, find the values of  $V_{CC}$ ,  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$  (a potentiometer) that will cause the transistor  $Q_1$  to act as a constant-current source with selectable current range between 10 and 100 mA.

### Solution

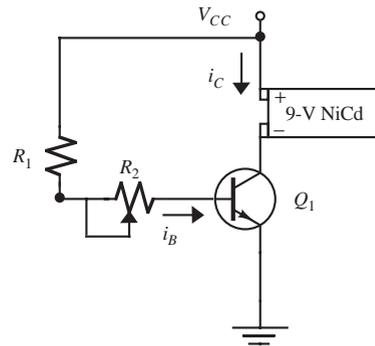
**Known Quantities:** Transistor large signal parameters; NiCd battery nominal voltage.

**Find:**  $V_{CC}$ ,  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:** Figure 10.16.  $V_\gamma = 0.6 \text{ V}$ ;  $\beta = 100$ .

**Assumptions:** Assume that the transistor is in the active region. Use the large-signal model with  $\beta = 100$ .

**Analysis:** According to the large-signal model, transistor  $Q_1$  amplifies the base current by



**Figure 10.16** Simple battery charging circuit

a factor of  $\beta$ . The transistor base current,  $i_B$ , is given by the expression:

$$i_B = \frac{V_{CC} - V_\gamma}{R_1 + R_2}$$

Since  $i_C = \beta i_B$ , the collector current, which is the battery charging current, we can solve the problem by satisfying the inequality

$$10 \text{ mA} \leq i_C = \beta \left( \frac{V_{CC} - V_\gamma}{R_1 + R_2} \right) \leq 100 \text{ mA}$$

The potentiometer  $R_2$  can be set to any value ranging from zero to  $R_2$ , and the maximum current of 100 mA will be obtained when  $R_2 = 0$ . Thus, we can select a value of  $R_1$  by setting

$$100 \text{ mA} = \beta \left( \frac{V_{CC} - V_\gamma}{R_1} \right) \text{ or } R_1 = (V_{CC} - V_\gamma) \frac{\beta}{10^{-1}} \Omega$$

We can select  $V_{CC} = 12 \text{ V}$  (a value reasonably larger than the battery nominal voltage) and calculate

$$R_1 = (12 - 0.6) \frac{100}{10^{-1}} = 11,400 \Omega$$

Since 12 k $\Omega$  is a standard resistor value, we should select  $R_1 = 12 \text{ k}\Omega$ , which will result in a slightly lower maximum current. The value of the potentiometer  $R_2$  can be found as follows:

$$R_2 = \frac{\beta}{0.01} (V_{CC} - V_\gamma) - R_1 = 102,600 \Omega$$

Since 100-k $\Omega$  potentiometers are standard components, we can choose this value for our design, resulting in a slightly higher minimum current than the specified 10 mA.

**Comments:** A practical note on NiCd batteries: the standard 9-V NiCd batteries are actually made of eight 1.2-V cells. Thus the actual nominal battery voltage is 9.6 V. Further, as the battery becomes fully charged, each cell rises to approximately 1.3 V, leading to a full charge voltage of 10.4 V.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

What will the collector-emitter voltage be when the battery is fully charged (10.4 V)? Is this consistent with the assumption that the transistor is in the active region?

Answer:  $V_{CEQ} \approx 1.6 \text{ V} < V_\gamma = 0.6 \text{ V}$

### EXAMPLE 10.6 Simple BJT Motor Drive Circuit



#### Problem

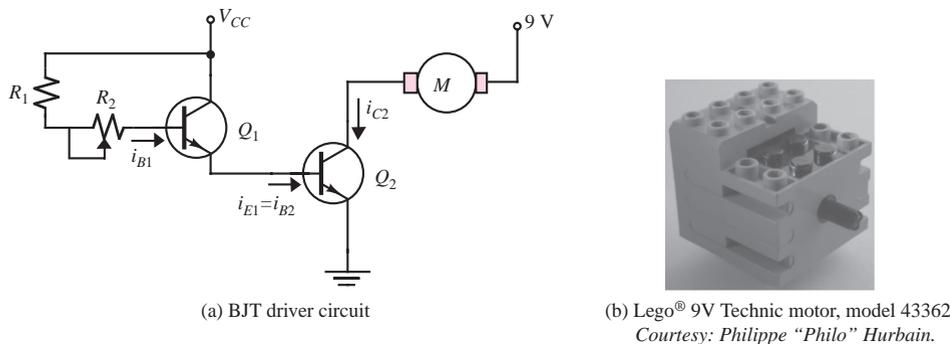
The aim of this example is to design a BJT driver for the Lego<sup>®</sup> 9V Technic motor, model 43362. Figure 10.17(a) and (b) shows the driver circuit and a picture of the motor. The motor has a maximum (stall) current of 340 mA. Minimum current to start motor rotation is 20 mA. The aim of the circuit is to control the current to the motor (and therefore the motor torque, which is proportional to the current) through potentiometer  $R_2$ .

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Transistor large-signal parameters; component values.

**Find:** Values of  $R_1$  and  $R_2$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:** Figure 10.17.  $V_\gamma = 0.6$  V;  $\beta = 40$ .



**Figure 10.17** Motor drive circuit

**Assumptions:** Assume that the transistors are in the active region. Use the large-signal model with  $\beta = 40$  for each transistor.

**Analysis:** The two-transistor configuration shown in Figure 10.17(a) is similar to a *Darlington pair*. This configuration is used very often and can be purchased as a single package. The emitter current from  $Q_1$ ,  $i_{E1} = (\beta + 1)i_{B1}$  becomes the base current for  $Q_2$ , and therefore,

$$i_{C2} = \beta i_{E1} = \beta(\beta + 1)i_{B1}$$

The  $Q_1$  base current is given by the expression

$$i_B = \frac{V_{CC} - V_\gamma}{R_1 + R_2}$$

Therefore the motor current can take the range

$$i_{C2\min} \leq \beta(\beta + 1) \left( \frac{V_{CC} - V_\gamma}{R_1 + R_2} \right) \leq i_{C2\max}$$

The potentiometer  $R_2$  can be set to any value ranging from zero to  $R_2$  and the maximum (stall)

current of 340 mA will be obtained when  $R_2 = 0$ . Thus, we can select a value of  $R_1$  by choosing  $V_{CC} = 12$  V and setting

$$i_{C2\max} = 0.34 \text{ A} = \beta (\beta + 1) \left( \frac{V_{CC} - V_\gamma}{R_1} \right) \text{ or } R_1 = \frac{\beta (\beta + 1)}{0.34} (V_{CC} - V_\gamma) = 54,988 \ \Omega$$

Since 56 k $\Omega$  is a standard resistor value, we should select  $R_1 = 56$  k $\Omega$ , which will result in a slightly lower maximum current. The value of the potentiometer  $R_2$  can be found from the minimum current requirement of 20 mA:

$$R_2 = \frac{\beta (\beta + 1)}{0.02} (V_{CC} - V_\gamma) - R_1 = 879,810 \ \Omega$$

Since 1-M $\Omega$  potentiometers are standard components, we can choose this value for our design, resulting in a slightly lower minimum current than the specified 20 mA.

**Comments:** While this design is quite simple, it only permits manual control of the motor current (and torque). If we wished to, say, have the motor under computer control, we would need a circuit that could respond to an external voltage. This design is illustrated in the homework problems.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Compute the actual current range provided by the circuit designed in Example 10.6.

$$\text{Answer: } i_{C2\max} = 334 \text{ mA}; i_{C2\min} = 17.7 \text{ mA}$$

## 10.4 Selecting an Operating Point for a BJT

The family of curves shown for the collector  $i$ - $v$  characteristic in Figure 10.9(b) reflects the dependence of the collector current on the base current. For each value of the base current  $i_B$ , there exists a corresponding  $i_C$ - $v_{CE}$  curve. Thus, by appropriately selecting the base current and collector current (or collector-emitter voltage), we can determine the operating point, or  **$Q$  point**, of the transistor. The  $Q$  point of a device is defined in terms of the **quiescent** (or **idle**) **currents** and **voltages** that are present at the terminals of the device when DC supplies are connected to it. The circuit of Figure 10.18 illustrates an ideal **DC bias circuit**, used to set the  $Q$  point of the BJT in the approximate center of the collector characteristic. The circuit shown in Figure 10.18 is not a practical DC bias circuit for a BJT amplifier, but it is very useful for the purpose of introducing the relevant concepts. A practical bias circuit is discussed later in this section.

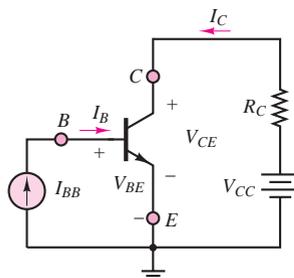
Applying KVL around the base-emitter and collector circuits, we obtain the following equations:

$$I_B = I_{BB} \quad (10.4)$$

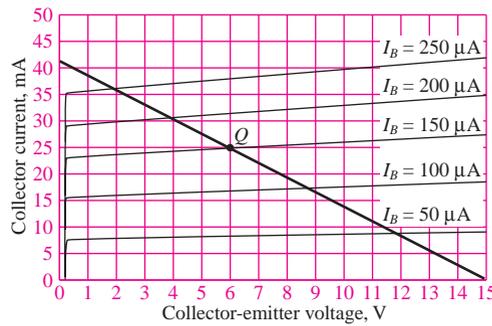
and

$$V_{CE} = V_{CC} - I_C R_C \quad (10.5)$$

By appropriate choice of  $I_{BB}$ ,  $R_C$  and  $V_{CC}$ , the desired  $Q$  point may be selected.



**Figure 10.18** A simplified bias circuit for a BJT amplifier



**Figure 10.19** Load-line analysis of a simplified BJT amplifier

which can be rewritten as

$$I_C = \frac{V_{CC} - V_{CE}}{R_C} \quad (10.6)$$

Note the similarity of equation 10.6 to the load-line curves of Chapters 3 and 9. Equation 10.6 represents a line that intersects the  $I_C$  axis at  $I_C = V_{CC}/R_C$  and the  $V_{CE}$  axis at  $V_{CE} = V_{CC}$ . The slope of the load line is  $-1/R_C$ . Since the base current  $I_B$  is equal to the source current  $I_{BB}$ , the operating point may be determined by noting that the load line intersects the entire collector family of curves. The intersection point at the curve that corresponds to the base current  $I_B = I_{BB}$  constitutes the operating, or  $Q$ , point. The load line corresponding to the circuit of Figure 10.18 is shown in Figure 10.19, superimposed on the collector curves for the 2N3904 transistor. In Figure 10.19,  $V_{CC} = 15$  V,  $V_{CC}/R_C = 40$  mA, and  $I_{BB} = 150$   $\mu$ A; thus, the  $Q$  point is determined by the intersection of the load line with the  $I_C$ - $V_{CE}$  curve corresponding to a base current of  $150$   $\mu$ A.

Once an operating point is established and direct currents  $I_{CQ}$  and  $I_{BQ}$  are flowing into the collector and base, respectively, the BJT can serve as a linear amplifier, as was explained in Section 10.2. Example 10.7 serves as an illustration of the DC biasing procedures just described.

### EXAMPLE 10.7 Calculation of DC Operating Point for BJT Amplifier



#### Problem

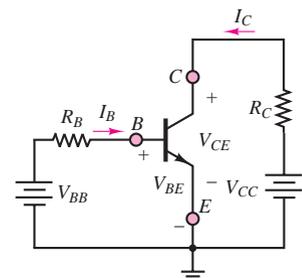
Determine the DC operating point of the BJT amplifier in the circuit of Figure 10.20.

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Base, collector, and emitter resistances; base and collector supply voltages; collector characteristic curves;  $BE$  junction offset voltage.

**Find:** Direct (quiescent) base and collector currents  $I_{BQ}$  and  $I_{CQ}$  and collector-emitter voltage  $V_{CEQ}$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $R_B = 62.7$  k $\Omega$ ;  $R_C = 375$   $\Omega$ ;



**Figure 10.20**

$V_{BB} = 10\text{ V}$ ;  $V_{CC} = 15\text{ V}$ ;  $V_{\gamma} = 0.6\text{ V}$ . The collector characteristic curves are shown in Figure 10.19.

**Assumptions:** The transistor is in the active state.

**Analysis:** Write the load-line equation for the collector circuit:

$$V_{CE} = V_{CC} - R_C I_C = 15 - 375 I_C$$

The load line is shown in Figure 10.19; to determine the  $Q$  point, we need to determine which of the collector curves intersects the load line; that is, we need to know the base current. Applying KVL around the base circuit, and assuming that the  $BE$  junction is forward-biased (this results from the assumption that the transistor is in the active region), we get

$$I_B = \frac{V_{BB} - V_{BE}}{R_B} = \frac{V_{BB} - V_{\gamma}}{R_B} = \frac{10 - 0.6}{62,700} = 150\ \mu\text{A}$$

The intersection of the load line with the  $150\text{-}\mu\text{A}$  base curve is the DC operating or quiescent point of the transistor amplifier, defined below by the three values:

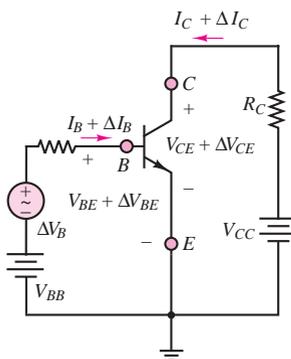
$$V_{CEQ} = 7\text{ V} \quad I_{CQ} = 22\text{ mA} \quad I_{BQ} = 150\ \mu\text{A}$$

**Comments:** The base circuit consists of a battery in series with a resistance; we shall soon see that it is not necessary to employ two different voltage supplies for base and collector circuits, but that a single collector supply is sufficient to bias the transistor. Note that even in the absence of an external input to be amplified (AC source), the transistor dissipates power; most of the power is dissipated by the collector circuit:  $P_{CQ} = V_{CEQ} \times I_{CQ} = 154\text{ mW}$ .

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

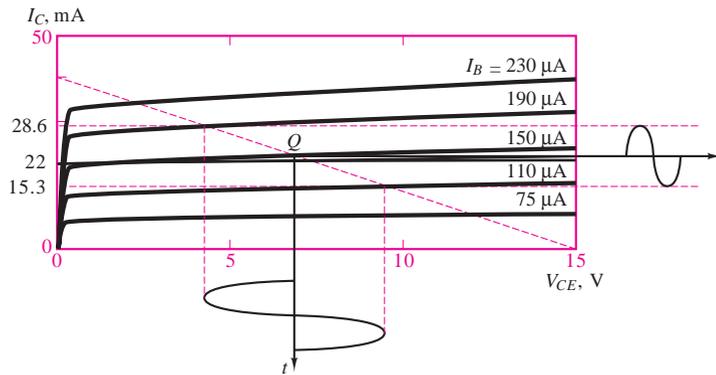
How would the  $Q$  point change if the base current increased to  $200\ \mu\text{A}$ ?

Answer:  $V_{CEQ} \approx 4\text{ V}$ ,  $I_{CQ} \approx 31\text{ mA}$



**Figure 10.21** Circuit illustrating the amplification effect in a BJT

How can a transistor amplify a signal, then, given the  $V_{BE}$ - $I_B$  and  $V_{CE}$ - $I_C$  curves discussed in this section? The small-signal amplifier properties of the transistor are best illustrated by analyzing the effect of a small sinusoidal current superimposed on the DC flowing into the base. The circuit of Figure 10.21 illustrates the idea, by including a small-signal AC source, of strength  $\Delta V_B$ , in series with the base circuit. The effect of this AC source is to cause sinusoidal oscillations  $\Delta I_B$  about the  $Q$  point, that is, around  $I_{BQ}$ . A study of the collector characteristic indicates that for a sinusoidal oscillation in  $I_B$ , a corresponding, but larger oscillation will take place in the collector current. Figure 10.22 illustrates the concept. Note that the base current oscillates between  $110$  and  $190\ \mu\text{A}$ , causing the collector current to correspondingly fluctuate between  $15.3$  and  $28.6\text{ mA}$ . The notation that will be used to differentiate between DC and AC (or fluctuating) components of transistor voltages and currents is as follows: DC (or quiescent) currents and voltages will be denoted by uppercase symbols, for example,  $I_B$ ,  $I_C$ ,  $V_{BE}$ ,  $V_{CE}$ . AC components will be preceded by a  $\Delta$ :  $\Delta I_B(t)$ ,  $\Delta I_C(t)$ ,  $\Delta V_{BE}(t)$ ,  $\Delta V_{CE}(t)$ . The complete expression for one of these quantities will therefore



**Figure 10.22** Amplification of sinusoidal oscillations in a BJT

include both a DC term and a time-varying, or AC, term. For example, the collector current may be expressed by  $i_C(t) = I_C + \Delta I_C(t)$ .

The  $i$ - $v$  characteristic of Figure 10.22 illustrates how an increase in collector current follows the same sinusoidal pattern of the base current but is greatly amplified. Thus, the BJT acts as a *current amplifier*, in the sense that any oscillations in the base current appear amplified in the collector current. Since the voltage across the collector resistance  $R_C$  is proportional to the collector current, one can see how the collector voltage is also affected by the amplification process. Example 10.8 illustrates numerically the effective amplification of the small AC signal that takes place in the circuit of Figure 10.21.

### EXAMPLE 10.8 A BJT Small-Signal Amplifier

#### Problem

With reference to the BJT amplifier of Figure 10.23 and to the collector characteristic curves of Figure 10.19, determine (1) the DC operating point of the BJT, (2) the nominal current gain  $\beta$  at the operating point, and (3) the AC voltage gain  $A_V = \Delta V_o / \Delta V_B$ .

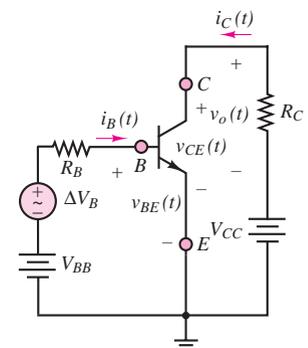
#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Base, collector, and emitter resistances; base and collector supply voltages; collector characteristic curves;  $BE$  junction offset voltage.

**Find:** (1) DC (quiescent) base and collector currents  $I_{BQ}$  and  $I_{CQ}$  and collector-emitter voltage  $V_{CEQ}$ , (2)  $\beta = \Delta I_C / \Delta I_B$ , and (3)  $A_V = \Delta V_o / \Delta V_B$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $R_B = 10 \text{ k}\Omega$ ;  $R_C = 375 \Omega$ ;  $V_{BB} = 2.1 \text{ V}$ ;  $V_{CC} = 15 \text{ V}$ ;  $V_\gamma = 0.6 \text{ V}$ . The collector characteristic curves are shown in Figure 10.19.

**Assumptions:** Assume that the  $BE$  junction resistance is negligible compared to the base resistance. Assume that each voltage and current can be represented by the superposition of a DC (quiescent) value and an AC component, for example,  $v_o(t) = V_{oQ} + \Delta V_o(t)$ .



**Figure 10.23**

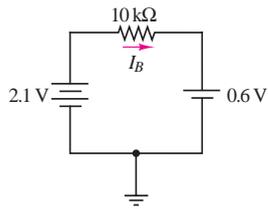


Figure 10.24

**Analysis:**

1. *DC operating point.* On the assumption the *BE* junction resistance is much smaller than  $R_B$ , we can state that the junction voltage is constant,  $v_{BE}(t) = V_{BEQ} = V_\gamma$ , and plays a role only in the DC circuit. The DC equivalent circuit for the base is shown in Figure 10.24 and described by the equation

$$V_{BB} = R_B I_{BQ} + V_{BEQ}$$

from which we compute the quiescent base current:

$$I_{BQ} = \frac{V_{BB} - V_{BEQ}}{R_B} = \frac{V_{BB} - V_\gamma}{R_B} = \frac{2.1 - 0.6}{10,000} = 150 \mu\text{A}$$

To determine the DC operating point, we write the load-line equation for the collector circuit:

$$V_{CE} = V_{CC} - R_C I_C = 15 - 375 I_C$$

The load line is shown in Figure 10.25. The intersection of the load line with the  $150\text{-}\mu\text{A}$  base curve is the DC operating or quiescent point of the transistor amplifier, defined below by the three values  $V_{CEQ} = 7.2\text{ V}$ ,  $I_{CQ} = 22\text{ mA}$ , and  $I_{BQ} = 150\text{ }\mu\text{A}$ .

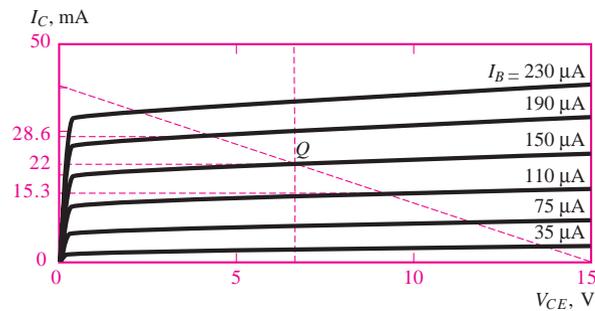


Figure 10.25 Operating point on the characteristic curve

2. *AC gain.* To determine the current gain, we resort, again, to the collector curves. Figure 10.25 indicates that if we consider the values corresponding to base currents of  $190$  and  $110\text{ }\mu\text{A}$ , the collector will see currents of  $28.6$  and  $15.3\text{ mA}$ , respectively. We can think of these collector current excursions  $\Delta I_C$  from the  $Q$  point as corresponding to the effects of an oscillation  $\Delta I_B$  in the base current, and we can calculate the current gain of the BJT amplifier according to

$$\beta = \frac{\Delta I_C}{\Delta I_B} = \frac{28.6 \times 10^{-3} - 15.3 \times 10^{-3}}{190 \times 10^{-6} - 110 \times 10^{-6}} = 166.25$$

Thus, the nominal current gain of the transistor is approximately  $\beta = 166$ .

3. *AC voltage gain.* To determine the AC voltage gain  $A_V = \Delta V_o / \Delta V_B$ , we need to express  $\Delta V_o$  as a function of  $\Delta V_B$ . Observe that  $v_o(t) = R_C i_C(t) = R_C I_{CQ} + R_C \Delta I_C(t)$ . Thus we can write:

$$\Delta V_o(t) = -R_C \Delta I_C(t) = -R_C \beta \Delta I_B(t)$$

Using the principle of superposition in considering the base circuit, we observe that  $\Delta I_B(t)$  can be computed from the KVL base equation

$$\Delta V_B(t) = R_B \Delta I_B(t) + \Delta V_{BE}(t)$$

but we had stated in part 1 that since the  $BE$  junction resistance is negligible relative to  $R_B$ ,  $\Delta V_{BE}(t)$  is also negligible. Thus,

$$\Delta I_B = \frac{\Delta V_B}{R_B}$$

Substituting this result into the expression for  $\Delta V_o(t)$ , we can write

$$\Delta V_o(t) = -R_C \beta \Delta I_B(t) = -\frac{R_C \beta \Delta V_B(t)}{R_B}$$

or

$$\frac{\Delta V_o(t)}{\Delta V_B} = A_V = -\frac{R_C}{R_B} \beta = -6.23$$

**Comments:** The circuit examined in this example is not quite a practical transistor amplifier yet, but it demonstrates most of the essential features of BJT amplifiers. We summarize them as follows.

- Transistor amplifier analysis is greatly simplified by considering the DC bias circuit and the AC equivalent circuits separately. This is an application of the principle of superposition.
- Once the bias point (or DC operating or quiescent point) has been determined, the current gain of the transistor can be determined from the collector characteristic curves. This gain is somewhat dependent on the location of the operating point.
- The AC voltage gain of the amplifier is strongly dependent on the base and collector resistance values. Note that the AC voltage gain is negative! This corresponds to a  $180^\circ$  phase inversion if the signal to be amplified is a sinusoid.

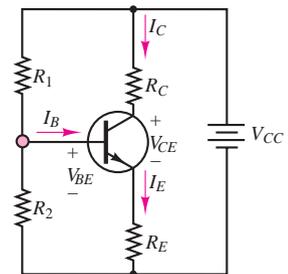
Many issues remain to be considered before we can think of designing and analyzing a practical transistor amplifier. It is extremely important that you master this example before studying the remainder of the section.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Calculate the  $Q$  point of the transistor if  $R_C$  is increased to  $680 \Omega$ .

Answer:  $V_{CEQ} \approx 5 \text{ V}$ ,  $I_{BQ} \approx 110 \mu\text{A}$ ,  $I_{CQ} \approx 15 \text{ mA}$

In discussing the DC biasing procedure for the BJT, we pointed out that the simple circuit of Figure 10.18 would not be a practical one to use in an application circuit. In fact, the more realistic circuit of Example 10.7 is also not a practical biasing circuit. The reasons for this statement are that two different supplies are required ( $V_{CC}$  and  $V_{BB}$ )—a requirement that is not very practical—and that the resulting DC bias (operating) point is not very stable. This latter point may be made clearer by pointing out that the location of the operating point could vary significantly if, say, the current gain of the transistor  $\beta$  were to vary from device to device. A circuit that provides great improvement on both counts is shown in Figure 10.26. Observe, first, that the voltage supply  $V_{CC}$  appears across the pair of resistors  $R_1$  and  $R_2$ , and that therefore



**Figure 10.26** Practical BJT self-bias DC circuit

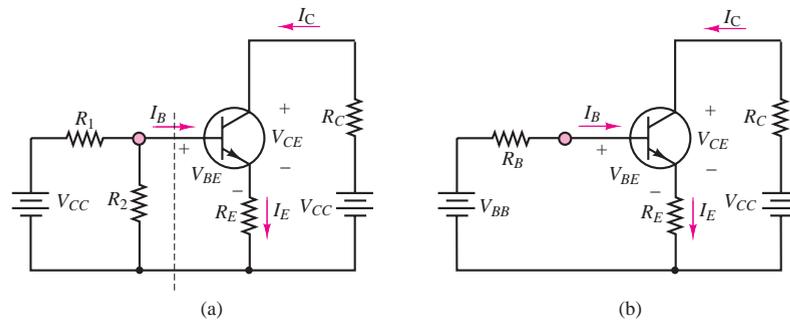
the base terminal for the transistor will see the Thévenin equivalent circuit composed of the equivalent voltage source

$$V_{BB} = \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} V_{CC} \quad (10.7)$$

and of the equivalent resistance

$$R_B = R_1 \parallel R_2 \quad (10.8)$$

Figure 10.27(b) shows a redrawn DC bias circuit that makes this observation more evident. The circuit to the left of the dashed line in Figure 10.27(a) is represented in Figure 10.27(b) by the equivalent circuit composed of  $V_{BB}$  and  $R_B$ .



**Figure 10.27** DC self-bias circuit represented in equivalent-circuit form

Recalling that the  $BE$  junction acts much as a diode, we note that the following equations describe the DC operating point of the self-bias circuit. Around the base-emitter circuit,

$$V_{BB} = I_B R_B + V_{BE} + I_E R_E = [R_B + (\beta + 1)R_E] I_B + V_{BE} \quad (10.9)$$

where  $V_{BE}$  is the  $BE$  junction voltage (diode forward voltage) and  $I_E = (\beta + 1)I_B$ . Around the collector circuit, on the other hand, the following equation applies:

$$V_{CC} = I_C R_C + V_{CE} + I_E R_E = I_C \left( R_C + \frac{\beta + 1}{\beta} R_E \right) + V_{CE} \quad (10.10)$$

since

$$I_E = I_B + I_C = \left( \frac{1}{\beta} + 1 \right) I_C$$

These two equations may be solved to obtain (1) an expression for the base current

$$I_B = \frac{V_{BB} - V_{BE}}{R_B + (\beta + 1)R_E} \quad (10.11)$$

from which the collector current can be determined as  $I_C = \beta I_B$ , and (2) an expression for the collector-emitter voltage

$$V_{CE} = V_{CC} - I_C \left( R_C + \frac{\beta + 1}{\beta} R_E \right) \quad (10.12)$$

This last equation is the load-line equation for the bias circuit. Note that the effective load resistance seen by the DC collector circuit is no longer just  $R_C$ , but is now given by

$$R_C + \frac{\beta + 1}{\beta} R_E \approx R_C + R_E$$

Example 10.9 provides a numerical illustration of the analysis of a DC self-bias circuit for a BJT.

### EXAMPLE 10.9 Practical BJT Bias Circuit



#### Problem

Determine the DC bias point of the transistor in the circuit of Figure 10.26.

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Base, collector, and emitter resistances; collector supply voltage; nominal transistor current gain;  $BE$  junction offset voltage.

**Find:** DC (quiescent) base and collector currents  $I_{BQ}$  and  $I_{CQ}$  and collector-emitter voltage  $V_{CEQ}$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $R_1 = 100 \text{ k}\Omega$ ;  $R_2 = 50 \text{ k}\Omega$ ;  $R_C = 5 \text{ k}\Omega$ ;  $R_E = 3 \text{ k}\Omega$ ;  $V_{CC} = 15 \text{ V}$ ;  $V_{\gamma} = 0.7 \text{ V}$ ,  $\beta = 100$ .

**Analysis:** We first determine the equivalent base voltage from equation 10.7

$$V_{BB} = \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} V_{CC} = \frac{50}{100 + 50} 15 = 5 \text{ V}$$

and the equivalent base resistance from equation 10.8

$$R_B = R_1 \parallel R_2 = 33.3 \text{ k}\Omega$$

Now we can compute the base current from equation 10.11

$$I_B = \frac{V_{BB} - V_{BE}}{R_B + (\beta + 1)R_E} = \frac{V_{BB} - V_{\gamma}}{R_B + (\beta + 1)R_E} = \frac{5 - 0.7}{33,000 + 101 \times 3,000} = 12.8 \mu\text{A}$$

and knowing the current gain of the transistor  $\beta$ , we can determine the collector current:

$$I_C = \beta I_B = 1.28 \text{ mA}$$

Finally, the collector-emitter junction voltage can be computed with reference to equation 10.12:

$$\begin{aligned} V_{CE} &= V_{CC} - I_C \left( R_C + \frac{\beta + 1}{\beta} R_E \right) \\ &= 15 - 1.28 \times 10^{-3} \left( 5 \times 10^3 + \frac{101}{100} \times 3 \times 10^3 \right) = 4.78 \text{ V} \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the  $Q$  point of the transistor is given by:

$$V_{CEQ} = 4.78 \text{ V} \quad I_{CQ} = 1.28 \text{ mA} \quad I_{BQ} = 12.8 \mu\text{A}$$

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

In the circuit of Figure 10.27, find the value of  $V_{BB}$  that yields a collector current  $I_C = 6.3$  mA. What is the corresponding collector-emitter voltage? Assume that  $V_{BE} = 0.6$  V,  $R_B = 50$  k $\Omega$ ,  $R_E = 200$   $\Omega$ ,  $R_C = 1$  k $\Omega$ ,  $B = 100$ , and  $V_{CC} = 14$  V. What percentage change in collector current would result if  $\beta$  were changed to 150 in Example 10.9? Why does the collector current increase less than 50 percent?

Answers:  $V_{BB} = 5$  V,  $V_{CE} = 6.44$  V; 3.74%. Because  $R_E$  provides negative feedback action that will keep  $I_C$  and  $I_E$  nearly constant

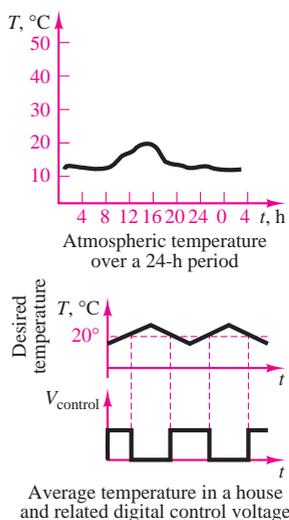
The material presented in this section has illustrated the basic principles that underlie the operation of a BJT and the determination of its  $Q$  point.

## 10.5 BJT SWITCHES AND GATES

In describing the properties of transistors, it was suggested that, in addition to serving as amplifiers, three-terminal devices can be used as electronic switches in which one terminal controls the flow of current between the other two. It had also been hinted in Chapter 9 that diodes can act as on/off devices as well. In this section, we discuss the operation of diodes and transistors as electronic switches, illustrating the use of these electronic devices as the switching circuits that are at the heart of **analog** and **digital gates**. Transistor switching circuits form the basis of digital logic circuits, which are discussed in greater detail in Chapter 12. The objective of this section is to discuss the internal operation of these circuits and to provide the reader interested in the internal workings of digital circuits with an adequate understanding of the basic principles.

An **electronic gate** is a device that, on the basis of one or more input signals, produces one of two or more prescribed outputs; as will be seen shortly, one can construct both digital and analog gates. A word of explanation is required, first, regarding the meaning of the words *analog* and *digital*. An analog voltage or current—or, more generally, an analog signal—is one that varies in a continuous fashion over time, in *analogy* (hence the expression *analog*) with a physical quantity. An example of an analog signal is a sensor voltage corresponding to ambient temperature on any given day, which may fluctuate between, say, 30 and 50°F. A digital signal, on the other hand, is a signal that can take only a finite number of values; in particular, a commonly encountered class of digital signals consists of **binary signals**, which can take only one of two values (for example, 1 and 0). A typical example of a binary signal would be the control signal for the furnace in a home heating system controlled by a conventional thermostat, where one can think of this signal as being “on” (or 1) if the temperature of the house has dropped below the thermostat setting (desired value), or “off” (or 0) if the house temperature is greater than or equal to the set temperature (say, 68°F). Figure 10.28 illustrates the appearance of the analog and digital signals in this furnace example.

The discussion of digital signals will be continued and expanded in Chapter 12. Digital circuits are an especially important topic, because a large part of today’s industrial and consumer electronics is realized in digital form.



**Figure 10.28** Illustration of analog and digital signals

### Diode Gates

You will recall that a diode conducts current when it is forward-biased and otherwise acts very much as an open circuit. Thus, the diode can serve as a switch if properly employed. The circuit of Figure 10.29 is called an **OR gate**; it operates as follows. Let voltage levels greater than, say, 2 V correspond to a “logic 1” and voltages less than 2 V represent a “logic 0.” Suppose, then, that input voltages  $v_A$  and  $v_B$  can be equal to either 0 V or 5 V. If  $v_A = 5$  V, diode  $D_A$  will conduct; if  $v_A = 0$  V,  $D_A$  will act as an open circuit. The same argument holds for  $D_B$ . It should be apparent, then, that the voltage across the resistor  $R$  will be 0 V, or logic 0, if both  $v_A$  and  $v_B$  are 0. If either  $v_A$  or  $v_B$  is equal to 5 V, though, the corresponding diode will conduct, and—assuming an offset model for the diode with  $V_\gamma = 0.6$  V—we find that  $v_{out} = 4.4$  V, or logic 1. Similar analysis yields an equivalent result if both  $v_A$  and  $v_B$  are equal to 5 V.

This type of gate is called an OR gate because  $v_{out}$  is equal to logic 1 (or “high”) if either  $v_A$  or  $v_B$  is on, while it is logic 0 (or “low”) if neither  $v_A$  nor  $v_B$  is on. Other functions can also be implemented; however, the discussion of diode gates will be limited to this simple introduction, because diode gate circuits, such as the one of Figure 10.29, are rarely, if ever, employed in practice. Most modern digital circuits employ transistors to implement switching and gate functions.

### BJT Gates

In discussing large-signal models for the BJT, we observed that the  $i$ - $v$  characteristic of this family of devices includes a *cutoff* region, where virtually no current flows through the transistor. On the other hand, when a sufficient amount of current is injected into the base of the transistor, a bipolar transistor will reach *saturation*, and a substantial amount of collector current will flow. This behavior is quite well suited to the design of electronic gates and switches and can be visualized by superimposing a load line on the collector characteristic, as shown in Figure 10.30.

The operation of the simple **BJT switch** is illustrated in Figure 10.30, by means of load-line analysis. Writing the load-line equation at the collector circuit, we have

$$v_{CE} = V_{CC} - i_C R_C \tag{10.13}$$

and

$$v_{out} = v_{CE} \tag{10.14}$$

Thus, when the input voltage  $v_{in}$  is low (say, 0 V), the transistor is in the cutoff region and little or no current flows, and

$$v_{out} = v_{CE} = V_{CC} \tag{10.15}$$

so that the output is “logic high.”

When  $v_{in}$  is large enough to drive the transistor into the saturation region, a substantial amount of collector current will flow and the collector-emitter voltage will be reduced to the small saturation value  $V_{CEsat}$ , which is typically a fraction of a volt. This corresponds to the point labeled *B* on the load line. For the input voltage  $v_{in}$  to drive the BJT of Figure 10.30 into saturation, a base current of approximately 50  $\mu$ A will be required. Suppose, then, that the voltage  $v_{in}$  could take the values 0 or 5 V. Then if  $v_{in} = 0$  V,  $v_{out}$  will be nearly equal to  $V_{CC}$ , or, again, 5 V. If, on the other hand,  $v_{in} = 5$  V and  $R_B$  is, say, equal to 89 k $\Omega$  [so that the base current required for saturation flows into the base:  $i_B = (v_{in} - V_\gamma)/R_B = (5 - 0.6)/89,000 \approx 50 \mu$ A], we have the BJT in saturation, and  $v_{out} = V_{CEsat} \approx 0.2$  V.

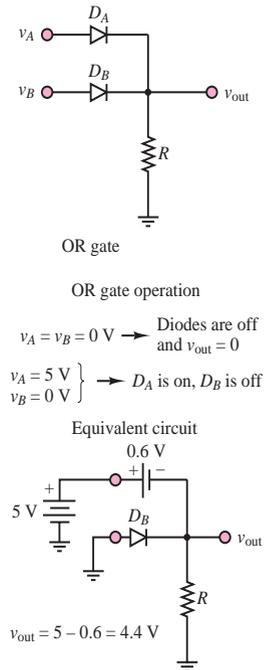


Figure 10.29 Diode OR gate

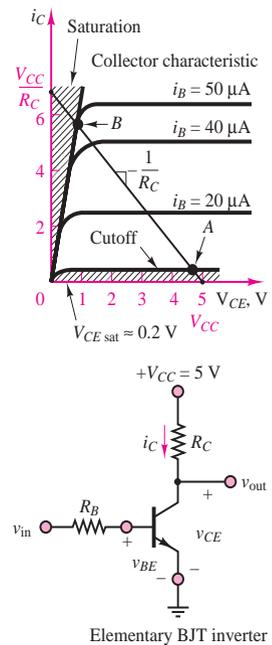


Figure 10.30 BJT switching characteristic



Thus, you see that whenever  $v_{in}$  corresponds to a logic high (or logic 1),  $v_{out}$  takes a value close to 0 V, or logic low (or 0); conversely,  $v_{in} = "0"$  (logic "low") leads to  $v_{out} = "1."$  The values of 5 and 0 V for the two logic levels 1 and 0 are quite common in practice and are the standard values used in a family of logic circuits denoted by the acronym **TTL**, which stands for **transistor-transistor logic**.<sup>1</sup> One of the more common TTL blocks is the **inverter** shown in Figure 10.30, so called because it "inverts" the input by providing a low output for a high input, and vice versa. This type of inverting, or "negative," logic behavior is quite typical of BJT gates (and of transistor gates in general).

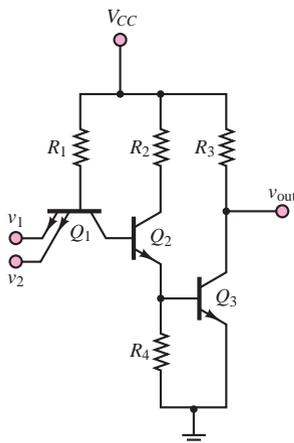
In the following paragraphs, we introduce some elementary BJT logic gates, similar to the diode gates described previously; the theory and application of digital logic circuits are discussed in Chapter 12. Example 10.10 illustrates the operation of a **NAND gate**, that is, a logic gate that acts as an inverted AND gate (thus the prefix N in NAND, which stands for NOT).



### EXAMPLE 10.10 TTL NAND Gate

#### Problem

Complete the table below to determine the logic gate operation of the TTL NAND gate of Figure 10.31.



**Figure 10.31** TTL NAND gate

$v_1$	$v_2$	State of $Q_1$	State of $Q_2$	$v_{out}$
0 V	0 V			
0 V	5 V			
5 V	0 V			
5 V	5 V			

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Resistor values;  $V_{BEon}$  and  $V_{CEsat}$  for each transistor.

**Find:**  $v_{out}$  for each of the four combinations of  $v_1$  and  $v_2$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $R_1 = 5.7 \text{ k}\Omega$ ;  $R_2 = 2.2 \text{ k}\Omega$ ;  $R_3 = 2.2 \text{ k}\Omega$ ;  $R_4 = 1.8 \text{ k}\Omega$ ;  $V_{CC} = 5 \text{ V}$ ;  $V_{BEon} = V_{\gamma} = 0.7 \text{ V}$ ;  $V_{CEsat} = 0.2 \text{ V}$ .

**Assumptions:** Treat the  $BE$  and  $BC$  junctions of  $Q_1$  as offset diodes. Assume that the transistors are in saturation when conducting.

**Analysis:** The inputs to the TTL gate,  $v_1$  and  $v_2$ , are applied to the emitter of transistor  $Q_1$ . The transistor is designed so as to have two emitter circuits in parallel. Transistor  $Q_1$  is modeled by the offset diode model, as shown in Figure 10.32. We now consider each of the four cases.

1.  $v_1 = v_2 = 0 \text{ V}$ . With the emitters of  $Q_1$  connected to ground and the base of  $Q_1$  at 5 V, the  $BE$  junction will clearly be forward-biased and  $Q_1$  is on. This result means that the base current of  $Q_2$  (equal to the collector current of  $Q_1$ ) is negative, and therefore  $Q_2$  must be off. If  $Q_2$  is off, its emitter current must be zero, and therefore no base current can flow

<sup>1</sup>TTL logic values are actually quite flexible, with  $v_{HIGH}$  as low as 2.4 V and  $v_{LOW}$  as high as 0.4 V.

into  $Q_3$ , which is in turn also off. With  $Q_3$  off, no current flows through  $R_3$ , and therefore  $v_{\text{out}} = 5 - v_{R_3} = 5 \text{ V}$ .

- $v_1 = 5 \text{ V}$ ;  $v_2 = 0 \text{ V}$ . Now, with reference to Figure 10.32, we see that diode  $D_1$  is still forward-biased, but  $D_2$  is now reverse-biased because of the 5-V potential at  $v_2$ . Since one of the two emitter branches is capable of conducting, base current will flow and  $Q_1$  will be on. The remainder of the analysis is the same as in case 1, and  $Q_2$  and  $Q_3$  will both be off, leading to  $v_{\text{out}} = 5 \text{ V}$ .
- $v_1 = 0 \text{ V}$ ;  $v_2 = 5 \text{ V}$ . By symmetry with case 2, we conclude that, again, one emitter branch is conducting, and therefore  $Q_1$  will be on,  $Q_2$  and  $Q_3$  will both be off, and  $v_{\text{out}} = 5 \text{ V}$ .
- $v_1 = 5 \text{ V}$ ;  $v_2 = 5 \text{ V}$ . When both  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  are at 5 V, diodes  $D_1$  and  $D_2$  are both strongly reverse-biased, and therefore no emitter current can flow. Thus,  $Q_1$  must be off. Note, however, that while  $D_1$  and  $D_2$  are reverse-biased,  $D_3$  is forward-biased, and therefore a current will flow into the base of  $Q_2$ ; thus,  $Q_2$  is on and since the emitter of  $Q_2$  is connected to the base of  $Q_3$ ,  $Q_3$  will also see a positive base current and will be on. To determine the output voltage, we assume that  $Q_3$  is operating in saturation. Then, applying KVL to the collector circuit, we have

$$V_{CC} = I_{C_3}R_3 + V_{CE_3}$$

or

$$I_{C_3} = \frac{V_{CC} - V_{CE_3}}{R_C} = \frac{V_{CC} - V_{CE_{\text{sat}}}}{R_C} = \frac{5 - 0.2}{2,200} = 2.2 \text{ mA}$$

and

$$v_{\text{out}} = V_{CC} - I_C R_3 = 5 - 2.2 \times 10^{-3} \times 2.2 \times 10^3 = 5 - 4.84 = 0.16 \text{ V}$$

These results are summarized in the next table. The output values are consistent with TTL logic; the output voltage for case 4 is sufficiently close to zero to be considered zero for logic purposes.

$v_1$	$v_2$	State of $Q_2$	State of $Q_3$	$v_{\text{out}}$
0 V	0 V	Off	Off	5 V
0 V	5 V	Off	Off	5 V
5 V	0 V	Off	Off	5 V
5 V	5 V	On	On	0.16 V

**Comments:** While exact analysis of TTL logic gate circuits could be tedious and involved, the method demonstrated in this example—to determine whether transistors are on or off—leads to very simple analysis. Since in logic devices one is interested primarily in logic levels and not in exact values, this approximate analysis method is very appropriate.

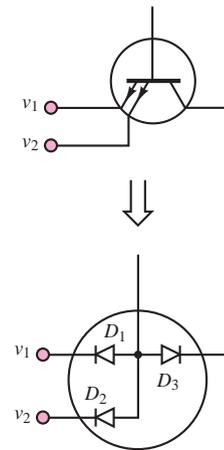


Figure 10.32

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Using the BJT switching characteristic of Figure 10.30, find the value of  $R_B$  required to drive the transistor to saturation, assuming that this state corresponds to a base current of  $50 \mu\text{A}$ , if the minimum  $v_{\text{in}}$  for which we wish to turn the transistor on is 2.5 V.

Answer:  $R_B \leq 348 \text{ k}\Omega$

The analysis method employed in Example 10.10 can be used to analyze any TTL gate. With a little practice, the calculations of this example will become familiar. The homework problems will reinforce the concepts developed in this section.

## Conclusion

This chapter introduces the bipolar junction transistor, and by way of simple circuit model demonstrates its operation as an amplifier and a switch. Upon completing this chapter, you should have mastered the following learning objectives:

1. *Understand the basic principles of amplification and switching.* Transistors are three-terminal electronic semiconductor devices that can serve as amplifiers and switches.
2. *Understand the physical operation of bipolar transistors; determine the operating point of a bipolar transistor circuit.* The bipolar junction transistor has four regions of operation. These can be readily identified by simple voltage measurements.
3. *Understand the large-signal model of the bipolar transistor, and apply it to simple amplifier circuits.* The large-signal model of the BJT is very easy to use, requiring only a basic understanding of DC circuit analysis, and can be readily applied to many practical situations.
4. *Select the operating point of a bipolar transistor circuit.* Biasing a bipolar transistor consists of selecting the appropriate values for the DC supply voltage(s) and for the resistors that comprise a transistor amplifier circuit. When biased in the forward active region, the bipolar transistor acts as a current-controlled current source, and can amplify small currents injected into the base by as much as a factor of 200.
5. *Understand the operation of a bipolar transistor as a switch and analyze basic analog and digital gate circuits.* The operation of a BJT as a switch is very straightforward, and consists of designing a transistor circuit that will go from cutoff to saturation when an input voltage changes from a high to a low value, or vice versa. Transistor switches are commonly used to design digital logic gates.

## HOMEWORK PROBLEMS

### Section 10.2: Operation of the Bipolar Junction Transistor

- 10.1** For each transistor shown in Figure P10.1, determine whether the  $BE$  and  $BC$  junctions are forward- or reverse-biased, and determine the operating region.
- 10.2** Determine the region of operation for the following transistors:
- a.  $npn$ ,  $V_{BE} = 0.8\text{ V}$ ,  $V_{CE} = 0.4\text{ V}$
  - b.  $npn$ ,  $V_{CB} = 1.4\text{ V}$ ,  $V_{CE} = 2.1\text{ V}$
  - c.  $pnp$ ,  $V_{CB} = 0.9\text{ V}$ ,  $V_{CE} = 0.4\text{ V}$
  - d.  $npn$ ,  $V_{BE} = -1.2\text{ V}$ ,  $V_{CB} = 0.6\text{ V}$
- 10.3** Given the circuit of Figure P10.3, determine the operating point of the transistor. Assume the BJT is a

silicon device with  $\beta = 100$ . In what region is the transistor?

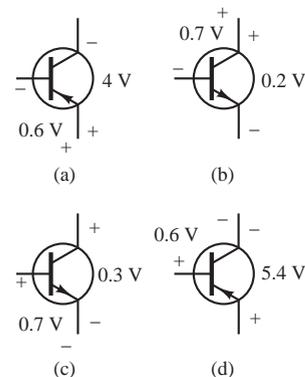


Figure P10.1

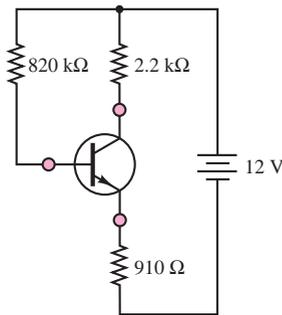


Figure P10.3

10.4 The magnitudes of a *pnp* transistor's emitter and base currents are 6 and 0.1 mA, respectively. The magnitudes of the voltages across the emitter-base and collector-base junctions are 0.65 and 7.3 V. Find

- $V_{CE}$ .
- $I_C$ .
- The total power dissipated in the transistor, defined here as  $P = V_{CE}I_C + V_{BE}I_B$ .

10.5 Given the circuit of Figure P10.5, determine the emitter current and the collector-base voltage. Assume the BJT has  $V_{\gamma} = 0.6$  V.

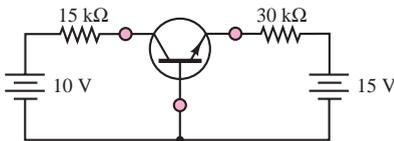


Figure P10.5

10.6 Given the circuit of Figure P10.6, determine the operating point of the transistor. Assume a 0.6-V offset voltage and  $\beta = 150$ . In what region is the transistor?

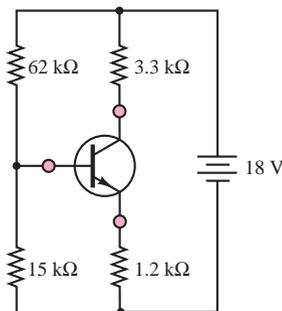


Figure P10.6

10.7 Given the circuit of Figure P10.7, determine the emitter current and the collector-base voltage. Assume the BJT has a 0.6-V offset voltage at the *BE* junction.

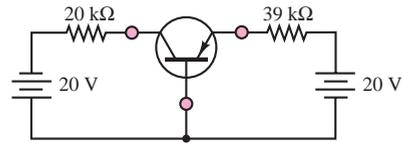


Figure P10.7

10.8 If the emitter resistor in Problem 10.7 (Figure P10.7) is changed to 22 kΩ, how does the operating point of the BJT change?

10.9 The collector characteristics for a certain transistor are shown in Figure P10.9.

- Find the ratio  $I_C/I_B$  for  $V_{CE} = 10$  V and  $I_B = 100, 200,$  and  $600 \mu\text{A}$ .
- The maximum allowable collector power dissipation is 0.5 W for  $I_B = 500 \mu\text{A}$ . Find  $V_{CE}$ .

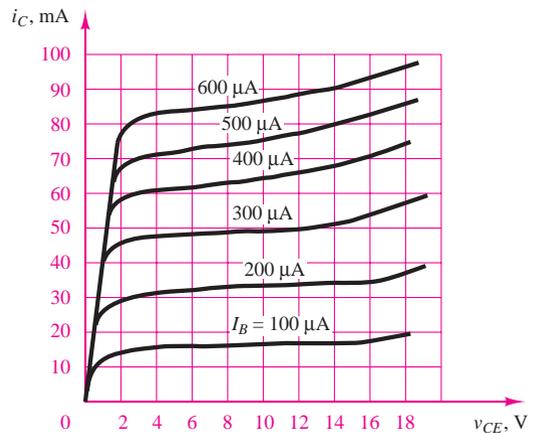


Figure P10.9

Hint: A reasonable approximation for the power dissipated at the collector is the product of the collector voltage and current  $P = I_C V_{CE}$ , where  $P$  is the permissible power dissipation,  $I_C$  is the quiescent collector current, and  $V_{CE}$  is the operating point collector-emitter voltage.

10.10 Given the circuit of Figure P10.10, assume both transistors are silicon-based with  $\beta = 100$ . Determine:

- $I_{C1}, V_{C1}, V_{CE1}$
- $I_{C2}, V_{C2}, V_{CE2}$

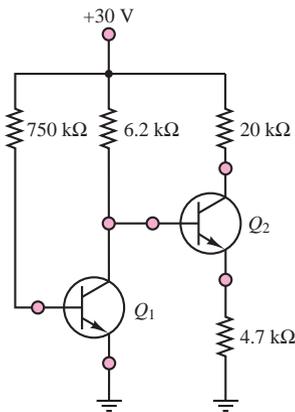


Figure P10.10

**10.11** Use the collector characteristics of the 2N3904 *npn* transistor to determine the operating point ( $I_{CQ}$ ,  $V_{CEQ}$ ) of the transistor in Figure P10.11. What is the value of  $\beta$  at this point?

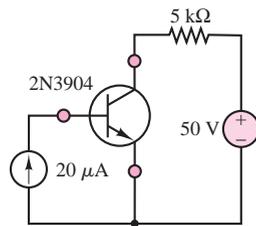


Figure P10.11

**10.12** For the circuit given in Figure P10.12, verify that the transistor operates in the saturation region by computing the ratio of collector current to base current.

*Hint:* With reference to Figure 10.18,  $V_\gamma = 0.6$  V,  $V_{\text{sat}} = 0.2$  V.

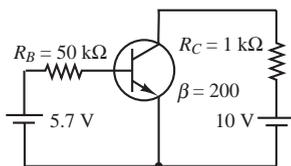


Figure P10.12

**10.13** For the circuit in Figure 10.26 in the text,  $V_{CC} = 20$  V,  $R_C = 5$  k $\Omega$ , and  $R_E = 1$  k $\Omega$ . Determine the region of operation of the transistor if:

- $I_C = 1$  mA,  $I_B = 20$   $\mu$ A,  $V_{BE} = 0.7$  V
- $I_C = 3.2$  mA,  $I_B = 0.3$  mA,  $V_{BE} = 0.8$  V
- $I_C = 3$  mA,  $I_B = 1.5$  mA,  $V_{BE} = 0.85$  V

**10.14** For the circuit shown in Figure P10.14, determine the base voltage  $V_{BB}$  required to saturate the transistor. Assume that  $V_{CE\text{sat}} = 0.1$  V,  $V_{BE\text{sat}} = 0.6$  V, and  $\beta = 50$ .

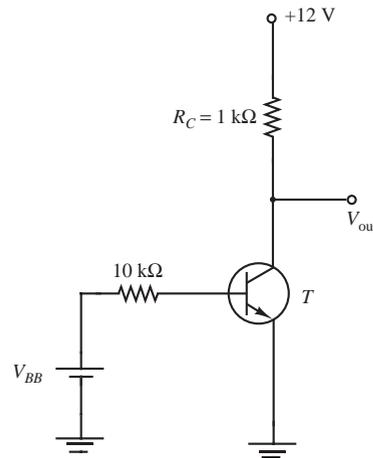


Figure P10.14

**10.15** An *npn* transistor is operated in the active region with the collector current 60 times the base current and with junction voltages of  $V_{BE} = 0.6$  V and  $V_{CB} = 7.2$  V. If  $|I_E| = 4$  mA, find (a)  $I_B$  and (b)  $V_{CE}$ .

**10.16** Use the collector characteristics of the 2N3904 *npn* transistor shown in Figure P10.16(a) and (b) to determine the operating point ( $I_{CQ}$ ,  $V_{CEQ}$ ) of the transistor in Figure P10.16(c). What is the value of  $\beta$  at this point?

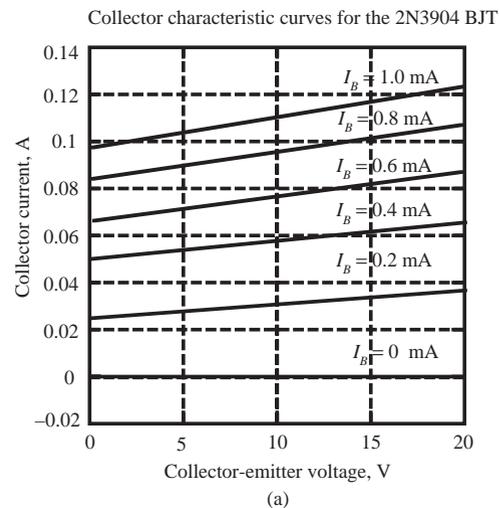


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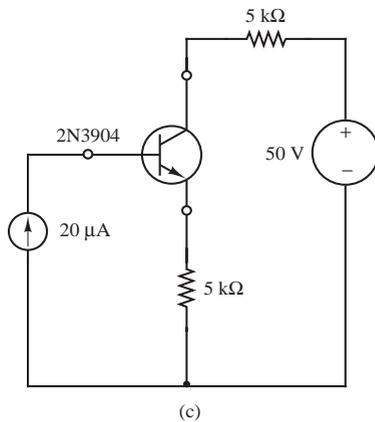
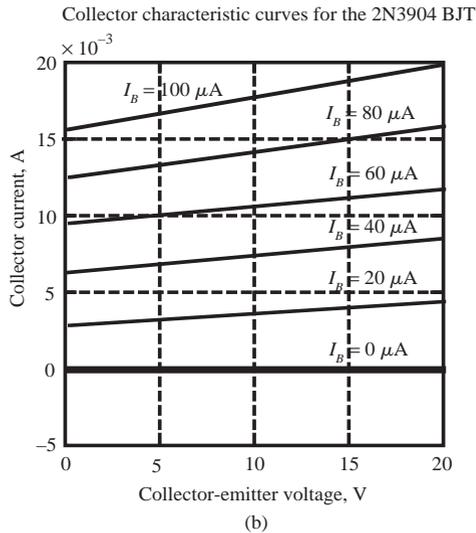


Figure P10.16

### Section 10.3: BJT Large-Signal Model

- 10.17** With reference to the LED driver of Example 10.4, Figure 10.14 in the text, assume that we need to drive an LED that requires  $I_{LED} = 10$  mA. All other values are unchanged. Find the range of collector resistance  $R_C$  values that will permit the transistor to supply the required current.
- 10.18** With reference to the simple battery charging circuit of Figure 10.16 in the text, determine the current through the battery if  $V_{CC} = 13$  V,  $R_1 = 10$  k $\Omega$ ,  $\beta = 50$ , and  $R_2$  is adjusted to 10 k $\Omega$ .
- 10.19** With reference to the LED driver of Example 10.4, Figure 10.14 in the text, assume that  $R_C = 340$   $\Omega$ , we need to drive an LED that requires  $I_{LED} \geq 10$  mA, and that the maximum base current that can be supplied by the microprocessor is 5 mA. All

other parameters and requirements are the same as in Example 10.4. Determine the range of values of the base resistance  $R_B$  that will satisfy this requirement.

- 10.20** Use the same data given in Problem 10.19, but assume that  $R_B = 10$  k $\Omega$ . Find the minimum value of  $\beta$  that will ensure correct operation of the LED driver.
- 10.21** Repeat Problem 10.20 for the case of a microprocessor operating on a 3.3-V supply (that is,  $V_{on} = 3.3$  V).
- 10.22** Consider the LED driver circuit of Figure 10.14 in the text. This circuit is now used to drive an automotive fuel injector (an electromechanical solenoid valve). The differences in the circuit are as follows: The collector resistor and the LED are replaced by the fuel injector, which can be modeled as a series  $RL$  circuit. The voltage supply for the fuel injector is 13 V (instead of 5 V). For the purposes of this problem, it is reasonable to assume  $R = 12$   $\Omega$  and  $L \sim 0$ . Assume that the maximum current that can be supplied by the microprocessor is 1 mA, that the current required to drive the fuel injector must be at least 1 A, and that the transistor saturation voltage is  $V_{CEsat} = 1$  V. Find the minimum value of  $\beta$  required for the transistor.

- 10.23** With reference to Problem 10.22, assume  $\beta = 2,000$ . Find the allowable range of  $R_B$ .
- 10.24** With reference to Problem 10.22, a new generation of power-saving microcontrollers operates on 3.3-V supplies (that is,  $V_{on} = 3.3$  V). Assume  $\beta = 2,000$ . Find the allowable range of  $R_B$ .
- 10.25** The circuit shown in Figure P10.25 is a 9-V battery charger. The purpose of the Zener diode is to provide a constant voltage across resistor  $R_2$ , such that the transistor will source a constant emitter (and therefore collector) current. Select the values of  $R_2$ ,  $R_1$ , and  $V_{CC}$  such that the battery will be charged with a constant 40-mA current.

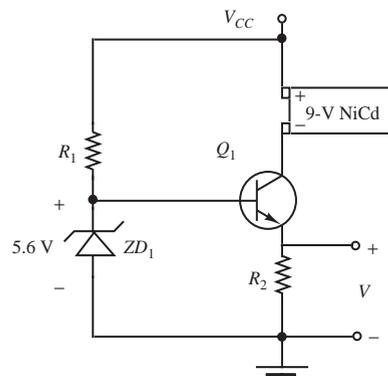


Figure P10.25

- 10.26** The circuit of Figure P10.26 is a variation of the battery charging circuit of Problem 10.25. Analyze the operation of the circuit and explain how this circuit will provide a decreasing charging current (taper current cycle) until the NiCd battery is fully charged (10.4 V—see note in Example 10.5). Choose appropriate values of  $V_{CC}$  and  $R_1$  that would result in a practical design. Use standard resistor values.

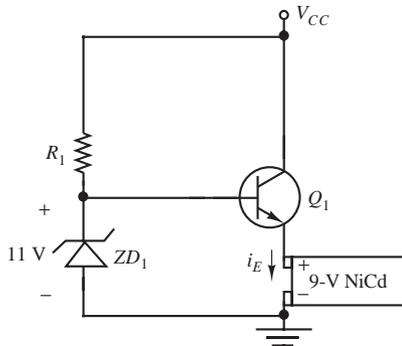


Figure P10.26

- 10.27** The circuit of Figure P10.27 is a variation of the motor driver circuit of Example 10.6. The external voltage  $v_{in}$  represents the analog output of a microcontroller, and ranges between zero and 5 V. Complete the design of the circuit by selecting the value of the base resistor,  $R_b$ , such that the motor will see the maximum design current when  $v_{in} = 5$  V. Use the transistor  $\beta$  value and the design specifications for motor maximum and minimum current given in Example 10.6.

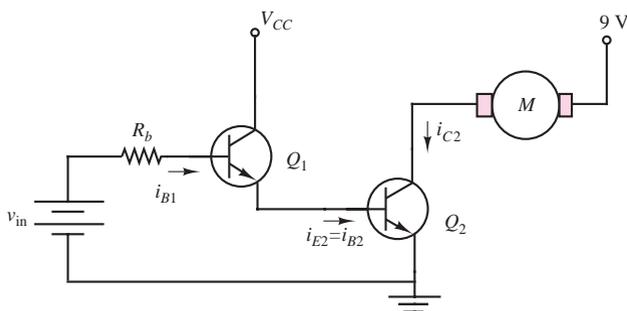


Figure P10.27

- 10.28** For the circuit in Figure 10.20 in the text,  $R_C = 1$  k $\Omega$ ,  $V_{BB} = 5$  V,  $\beta_{\min} = 50$ , and  $V_{CC} = 10$  V. Find the range of  $R_B$  so that the transistor is in the saturation state.
- 10.29** For the circuit in Figure 10.20 in the text,  $V_{CC} = 5$  V,  $R_C = 1$  k $\Omega$ ,  $R_B = 10$  k $\Omega$ , and  $\beta_{\min} = 50$ . Find the range of values of  $V_{BB}$  so that the transistor is in saturation.

- 10.30** For the circuit in Figure 10.18 in the text,  $I_{BB} = 20$   $\mu$ A,  $R_C = 2$  k $\Omega$ ,  $V_{CC} = 10$  V, and  $\beta = 100$ . Find  $I_C$ ,  $I_E$ ,  $V_{CE}$ , and  $V_{CB}$ .

- 10.31** The circuit shown in Figure P10.31 is a common-emitter amplifier stage. Determine the Thévenin equivalent of the part of the circuit containing  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ , and  $V_{CC}$  with respect to the terminals of  $R_2$ . Redraw the schematic, using the Thévenin equivalent.

$$\begin{aligned} V_{CC} &= 20 \text{ V} & \beta &= 130 \\ R_1 &= 1.8 \text{ M}\Omega & R_2 &= 300 \text{ k}\Omega \\ R_C &= 3 \text{ k}\Omega & R_E &= 1 \text{ k}\Omega \\ R_L &= 1 \text{ k}\Omega & R_S &= 0.6 \text{ k}\Omega \\ v_s &= 1 \cos(6.28 \times 10^3 t) \text{ mV} \end{aligned}$$

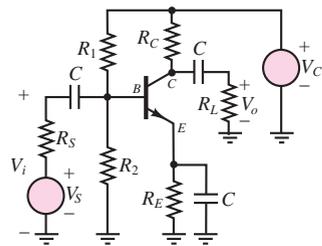


Figure P10.31

- 10.32** The circuit shown in Figure P10.32 is a common-collector (also called an emitter follower) amplifier stage implemented with an *npn* silicon transistor. Determine  $V_{CEQ}$  at the DC operating or  $Q$  point.

$$\begin{aligned} V_{CC} &= 12 \text{ V} & \beta &= 130 \\ R_1 &= 82 \text{ k}\Omega & R_2 &= 22 \text{ k}\Omega \\ R_S &= 0.7 \text{ k}\Omega & R_E &= 0.5 \text{ k}\Omega \\ R_L &= 16 \Omega \end{aligned}$$

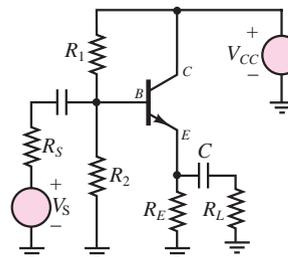


Figure P10.32

- 10.33** Shown in Figure P10.33 is a common-emitter amplifier stage implemented with an *npn* silicon transistor and two DC supply voltages (one positive

and one negative) instead of one. The DC bias circuit connected to the base consists of a single resistor. Determine  $V_{CEQ}$  and the region of operation.

$$\begin{aligned} V_{CC} &= 12 \text{ V} & V_{EE} &= 4 \text{ V} \\ \beta &= 100 & R_B &= 100 \text{ k}\Omega \\ R_C &= 3 \text{ k}\Omega & R_E &= 3 \text{ k}\Omega \\ R_L &= 6 \text{ k}\Omega & R_S &= 0.6 \text{ k}\Omega \\ v_S &= 1 \cos(6.28 \times 10^3 t) \text{ mV} \end{aligned}$$

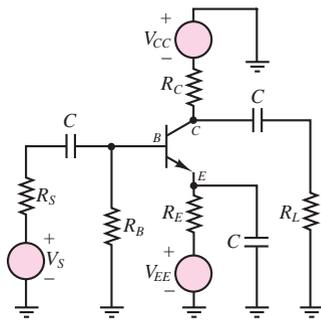


Figure P10.33

**10.34** Shown in Figure P10.34 is a common-emitter amplifier stage implemented with an *npn* silicon transistor. The DC bias circuit connected to the base consists of a single resistor; however, it is connected directly between base and collector. Determine  $V_{CEQ}$  and the region of operation.

$$\begin{aligned} V_{CC} &= 12 \text{ V} \\ \beta &= 130 & R_B &= 325 \text{ k}\Omega \\ R_C &= 1.9 \text{ k}\Omega & R_E &= 2.3 \text{ k}\Omega \\ R_L &= 10 \text{ k}\Omega & R_S &= 0.5 \text{ k}\Omega \\ v_S &= 1 \cos(6.28 \times 10^3 t) \text{ mV} \end{aligned}$$

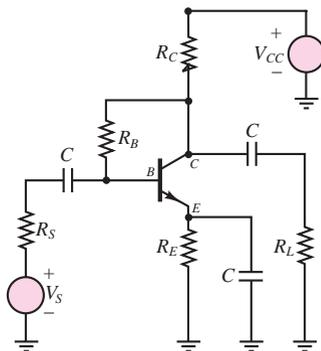


Figure P10.34

**10.35** For the circuit shown in Figure P10.35  $v_S$  is a small sine wave signal with average value of 3 V. If  $\beta = 100$  and  $R_B = 60 \text{ k}\Omega$ ,

- Find the value of  $R_E$  so that  $I_E$  is 1 mA.
- Find  $R_C$  so that  $V_C$  is 5 V.
- For  $R_L = 5 \text{ k}\Omega$ , find the small-signal equivalent circuit of the amplifier.
- Find the voltage gain.

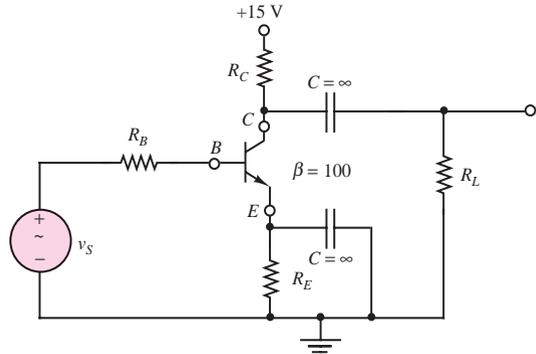
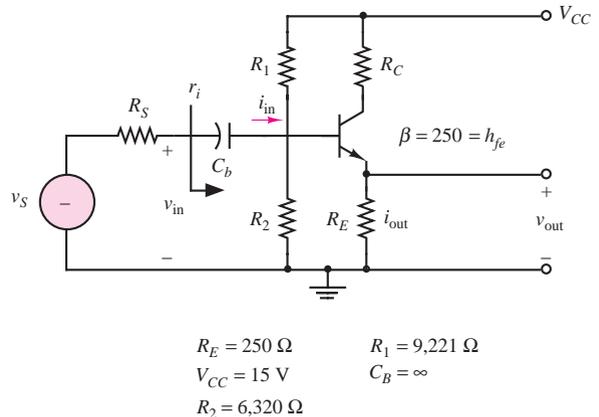


Figure P10.35

**10.36** The circuit in Figure P10.36 is in the common-collector configuration. Assuming  $R_C = 200 \Omega$ :

- Find the operating point of the transistor.
- If the voltage gain is defined as  $v_{out}/v_{in}$ , find the voltage gain. If the current gain is defined as  $i_{out}/i_{in}$ , find the current gain.
- Find the input resistance,  $r_i$ .
- Find the output resistance,  $r_o$ .

The circuit is not exactly a common-collector configuration because of the collector resistance not being zero.



$$\begin{aligned} R_E &= 250 \Omega & R_1 &= 9,221 \Omega \\ V_{CC} &= 15 \text{ V} & C_B &= \infty \\ R_2 &= 6,320 \Omega \end{aligned}$$

Figure P10.36

**10.37** The circuit that supplies energy to an automobile's fuel injector is shown in

Figure P10.37(a). The internal circuitry of the injector can be modeled as shown in Figure P10.37(b). The injector will inject gasoline into the intake manifold when  $I_{inj} \geq 0.1$  A. The voltage  $V_{signal}$  is a pulse train whose shape is as shown in Figure P10.37(c). If the engine is cold and under start-up conditions, the signal duration,  $\tau$ , is determined by the equation

$$\tau = BIT \times K_C + VCIT$$

where

- BIT = Basic injection time = 1 ms
- $K_C$  = Compensation constant of temperature of coolant ( $T_C$ )
- VCIT = Voltage-compensated injection time

The characteristics of VCIT and  $K_C$  are shown in Figure P10.37(d). If the transistor,  $Q_1$ , saturates at  $V_{CE} = 0.3$  V and  $V_{BE} = 0.9$  V, find the duration of the fuel injector pulse if

- a.  $V_{batt} = 13$  V,  $T_C = 100^\circ\text{C}$
- b.  $V_{batt} = 8.6$  V,  $T_C = 20^\circ\text{C}$

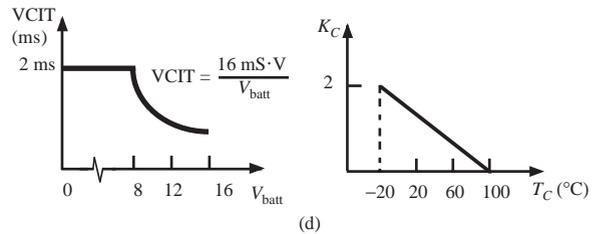
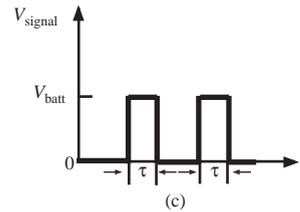
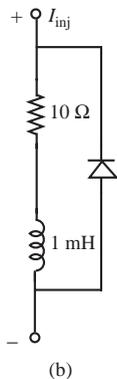
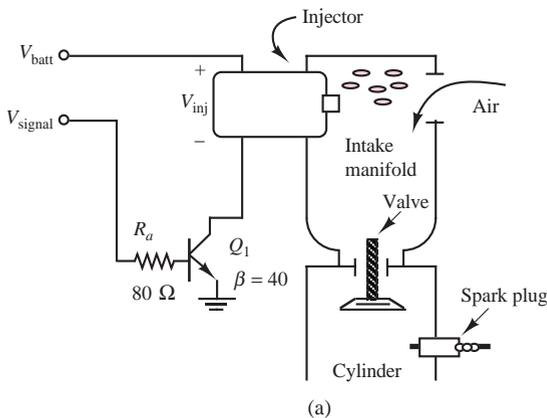


Figure P10.37

**10.38** The circuit shown in Figure P10.38 is used to switch a relay that turns a light off and on under the control of a computer. The relay dissipates 0.5 W at 5 VDC. It switches on at 3 VDC and off at 1.0 VDC. What is the maximum frequency with which the light can be switched? The inductance of the relay is 5 mH, and the transistor saturates at 0.2 V,  $V_\gamma = 0.8$  V.

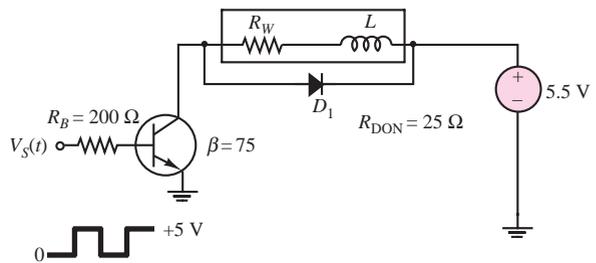


Figure P10.38

**10.39** A Darlington pair of transistors is connected as shown in Figure P10.39. The transistor parameters for large-signal operation are  $Q_1: \beta = 130; Q_2: \beta = 70$ . Calculate the overall current gain.

**10.40** The transistor shown in Figure P10.40 has  $V_\gamma = 0.6$  V. Determine values for  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  such that

- a. The DC collector-emitter voltage,  $V_{CEQ}$ , is 5 V.
- b. The DC collector current,  $I_{CQ}$ , will vary no more than 10% as  $\beta$  varies from 20 to 50.
- c. Values of  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  which will permit maximum symmetrical swing in the collector current. Assume  $\beta = 100$ .

Figure P10.37 Continued

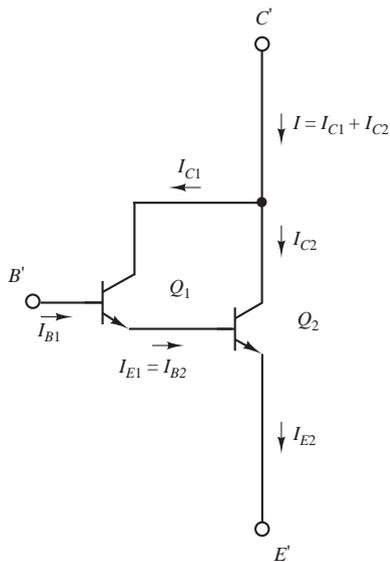


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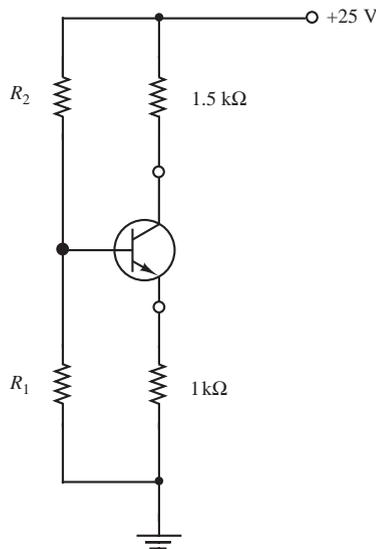


Figure P10.40

**Section 10.5: BJT Switches and Gates**

- 10.41 Show that the circuit of Figure P10.41 functions as an OR gate if the output is taken at  $v_{o1}$ .
- 10.42 Show that the circuit of Figure P10.41 functions as a NOR gate if the output is taken at  $v_{o2}$ .
- 10.43 Show that the circuit of Figure P10.43 functions as an AND gate if the output is taken at  $v_{o1}$ .

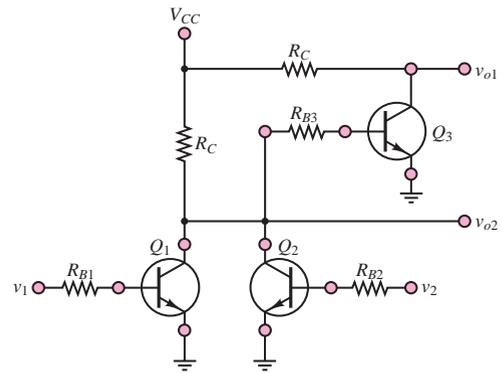


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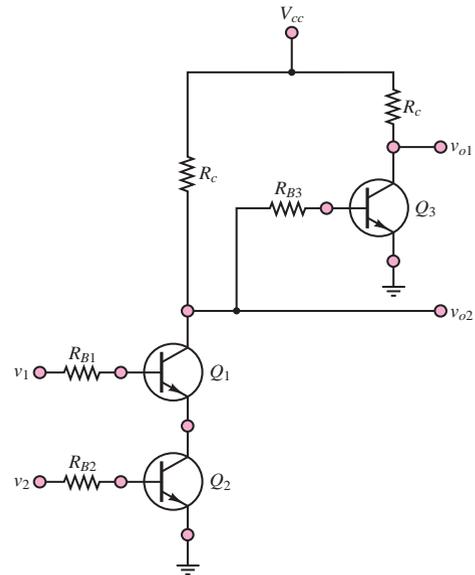


Figure P10.43

- 10.44 Show that the circuit of Figure P10.43 functions as a NAND gate if the output is taken at  $v_{o2}$ .
- 10.45 In Figure P10.45, the minimum value of  $v_{in}$  for a high input is 2.0 V. Assume that transistor  $Q_1$  has a  $\beta$  of at least 10. Find the range for resistor  $R_B$  that can guarantee that the transistor  $Q_1$  is on.

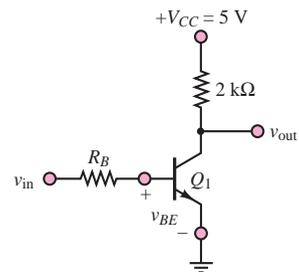
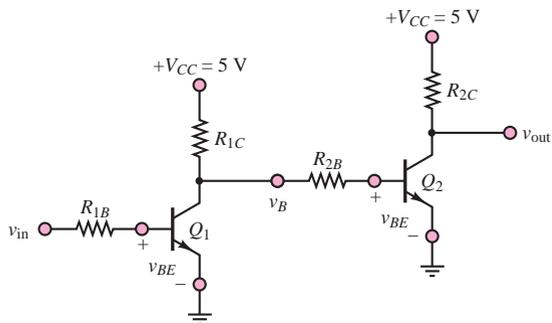


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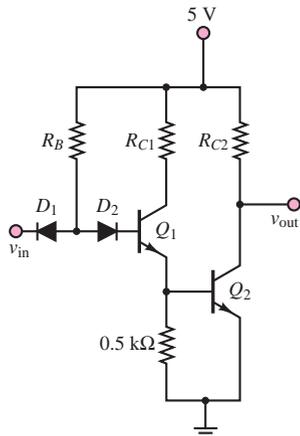
**10.46** Figure P10.46 shows a circuit with two transistor inverters connected in series, where  $R_{1C} = R_{2C} = 10 \text{ k}\Omega$  and  $R_{1B} = R_{2B} = 27 \text{ k}\Omega$ .

- Find  $v_B$ ,  $v_{out}$ , and the state of transistor  $Q_1$  when  $v_{in}$  is low.
- Find  $v_B$ ,  $v_{out}$ , and the state of transistor  $Q_1$  when  $v_{in}$  is high.



**Figure P10.46**

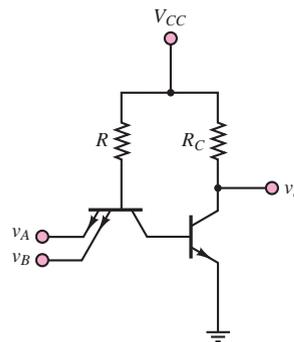
**10.47** For the inverter of Figure P10.47,  $R_B = 5 \text{ k}\Omega$  and  $R_{C1} = R_{C2} = 2 \text{ k}\Omega$ . Find the minimum values of  $\beta_1$  and  $\beta_2$  to ensure that  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  saturate when  $v_{in}$  is high.



**Figure P10.47**

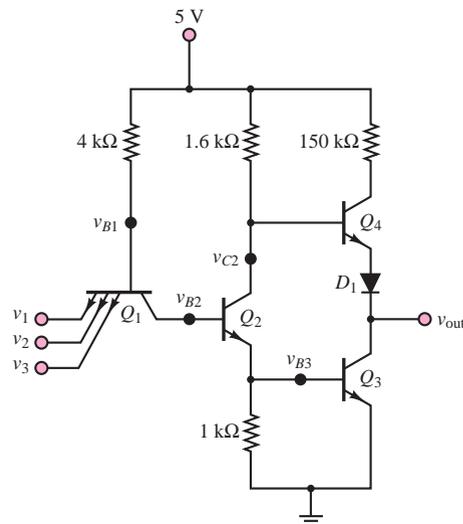
**10.48** For the inverter of Figure P10.47,  $R_B = 4 \text{ k}\Omega$ ,  $R_{C1} = 2.5 \text{ k}\Omega$ , and  $\beta_1 = \beta_2 = 4$ . Show that  $Q_1$  saturates when  $v_{in}$  is high. Find a condition for  $R_{C2}$  to ensure that  $Q_2$  also saturates.

**10.49** The basic circuit of a TTL gate is shown in the circuit of Figure P10.49. Determine the logic function performed by this circuit.



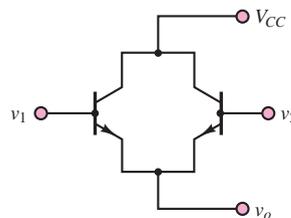
**Figure P10.49**

**10.50** Figure P10.50 is a circuit diagram for a three-input TTL NAND gate. Assuming that all the input voltages are high, find  $v_{B1}$ ,  $v_{B2}$ ,  $v_{B3}$ ,  $v_{C2}$ , and  $v_{out}$ . Also indicate the operating region of each transistor.



**Figure P10.50**

**10.51** Show that when two or more emitter-follower outputs are connected to a common load, as shown in the circuit of Figure P10.51, the OR operation results; that is,  $v_o = v_1 \text{ OR } v_2$ .



**Figure P10.51**

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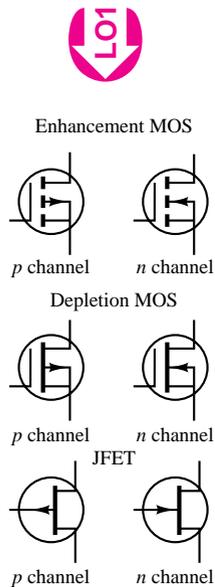
# 11

## FIELD-EFFECT TRANSISTORS: OPERATION, CIRCUIT MODELS, AND APPLICATIONS

**C**hapter 11 introduces the family of field-effect transistors, or FETs. The concept that forms the basis of the operation of the field-effect transistor is that an external electric field may be used to vary the conductivity of a *channel*, causing the FET to behave either as a voltage-controlled resistor or as a voltage-controlled current source.

FETs are the dominant transistor family in today's integrated electronics, and although these transistors come in several different configurations, it is possible to understand the operation of the different devices by focusing principally on one type.

In this chapter we focus on the basic operation of the enhancement-mode, metal-oxide-semiconductor FET, leading to the technologies that are commonly known as NMOS, PMOS, and CMOS. The chapter reviews the operation of these devices as large-signal amplifiers and as switches.



**Figure 11.1** Classification of field-effect transistors

## Learning Objectives

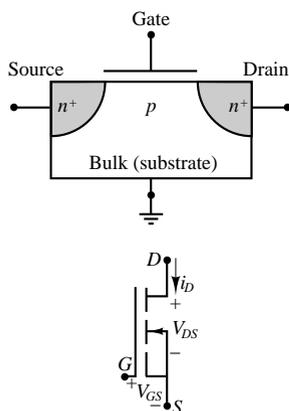
1. Understand the classification of field-effect transistors. *Section 11.1.*
2. Learn the basic operation of enhancement-mode MOSFETs by understanding their  $i-v$  curves and defining equations. *Section 11.2.*
3. Learn how enhancement-mode MOSFET circuits are biased. *Section 11.3.*
4. Understand the concept and operation of FET large-signal amplifiers. *Section 11.4.*
5. Understand the concept and operation of FET switches. *Section 11.5.*
6. Analyze FET switches and digital gates. *Section 11.5.*

## 11.1 CLASSIFICATION OF FIELD-EFFECT TRANSISTORS

Figure 11.1 depicts the classification of field-effect transistors, as well as the more commonly used symbols for these devices. These devices can be grouped into three major categories. The first two categories are both types of **metal-oxide semiconductor field-effect transistors**, or **MOSFETs**: **enhancement-mode MOSFETs** and **depletion-mode MOSFETs**. The third category consists of **junction field-effect transistors**, or **JFETs**. In addition, each of these devices can be fabricated either as an  **$n$ -channel** device or as a  **$p$ -channel** device, where the  $n$  or  $p$  designation indicates the nature of the doping in the semiconductor channel. All these transistors behave in a very similar fashion, and we shall predominantly discuss enhancement MOSFETs in this chapter, although a brief discussion of depletion devices and JFETs is also included.

## 11.2 OVERVIEW OF ENHANCEMENT-MODE MOSFETS

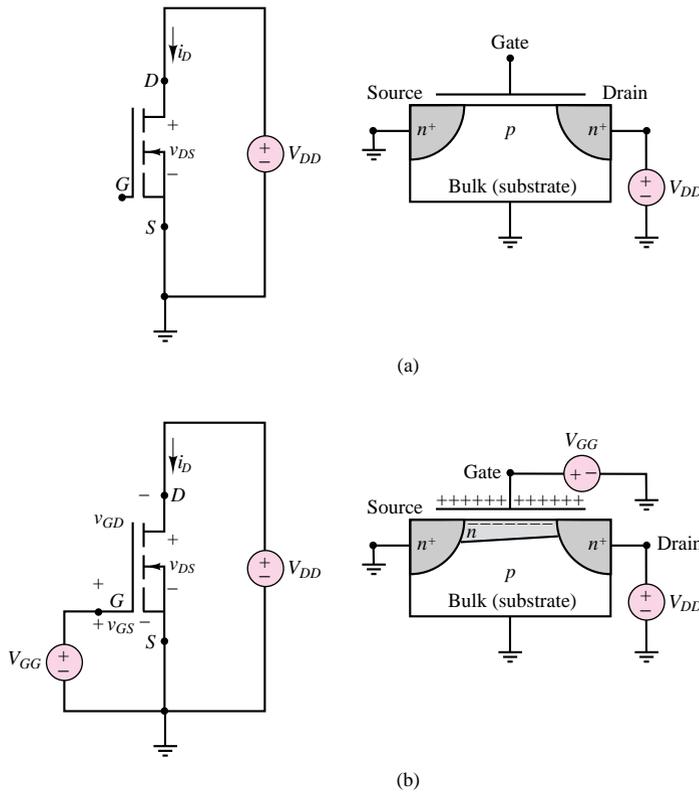
Figure 11.2 depicts the circuit symbol and the approximate construction of a typical  $n$ -channel enhancement-mode MOSFET. The device has three terminals: the **gate** (analogous to the base in a BJT), the **drain** (analogous to the collector), and the **source** (analogous to the emitter). The **bulk** or **substrate** of the device is shown to be electrically connected to the source, and therefore it does not appear in the electric circuit diagram as a separate terminal. The gate consists of a metal film layer, separated from the  $p$ -type bulk by a thin oxide layer (hence the terminology *metal-oxide semiconductor*). The drain and source are both constructed of  $n^+$  material.



**Figure 11.2** The  $n$ -channel enhancement MOSFET construction and circuit symbol

Imagine now that the drain is connected to a positive voltage supply  $V_{DD}$ , and the source is connected to ground. Since the  $p$ -type bulk is connected to the source, and hence to ground, the drain-bulk  $n^+p$  junction is strongly reverse-biased. The junction voltage for the  $pn^+$  junction formed by the bulk and the source is zero, since both are connected to ground. Thus, the path between drain and source consists of two reverse-biased  $pn$  junctions, and no current can flow. This situation is depicted in Figure 11.3(a): in the absence of a gate voltage, the  $n$ -channel enhancement-mode MOSFET acts as an open circuit. Thus, enhancement-mode devices are *normally off*.

Suppose now that a positive voltage is applied to the gate; this voltage will create an electric field in the direction shown in Figure 11.3(b). The effect of the electric



**Figure 11.3** Channel formation in NMOS transistor: (a) With no external gate voltage, the source-substrate and substrate-drain junctions are both reverse-biased, and no conduction occurs; (b) when a gate voltage is applied, charge-carrying electrons are drawn between the source and drain regions to form a conducting channel.

field is to repel positive charge carriers away from the surface of the  $p$ -type bulk, and to form a narrow **channel** near the surface of the bulk in which negative charge carriers dominate and are available for conduction. For a fixed drain bias, the greater the strength of the externally applied electric field (i.e., the higher the gate voltage), the higher the concentration of carriers in the channel, and the higher its conductivity. This behavior explains the terminology *enhancement mode*, because the application of an external electric field *enhances* the conduction in the channel by creating  $n$ -type charge carriers. It should also be clear why these devices are called *field-effect*, since it is an external electric field that determines the conduction properties of the transistor.

It is also possible to create *depletion-mode* devices in which an externally applied field depletes the channel of charge carriers by reducing the effective channel width. Depletion-mode MOSFETs are normally on, and they can be turned off by application of an external electric field.

To complete this brief summary of the operation of MOS transistors, we note that, in analogy with  $pnp$  bipolar transistors, it is also possible to construct  $p$ -channel MOSFETs. In these transistors, conduction occurs in a channel formed in  $n$ -type bulk material via positive charge carriers.

We first define a few key parameters that generally apply to enhancement-mode and depletion-mode and to  $n$ -channel as well as  $p$ -channel devices.



### Threshold Voltage, $V_T$

When the gate-to-substrate voltage is greater than the threshold voltage, a conducting channel is formed through the creation of a layer of free electrons. In enhancement-mode devices, the threshold voltage is positive. If at any location between the source and drain regions of the transistor the gate-to-substrate voltage is greater than the threshold voltage, then the channel is said to be *on* at that point. Otherwise the channel is *off*, and no current can flow.

In depletion-mode devices, a conducting *n*-type channel is built into the device by design, and a negative gate-to-substrate voltage is used to turn the channel off (depleting the *n*-type channel of electrons—hence the name *depletion mode*). We shall not discuss depletion-mode devices any further in this book.

### Conductance Parameter $K$

The ability of the channel to conduct is dependent on different mechanisms, which are captured in a conductance parameter  $K$ , defined as

$$K = \frac{W}{L} \frac{\mu C_{ox}}{2} \quad (11.1)$$

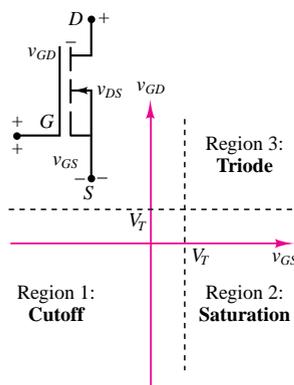
In equation 11.1,  $W$  represents the width of the channel,  $L$  represents the length,  $\mu$  is the mobility of the charge carrier (electrons in *n*-channel devices, holes in *p*-channel devices), and  $C_{ox}$  is the capacitance of the oxide layer.

### Early Voltage $V_A$

This parameter describes the dependence on  $v_{DS}$  of the MOSFET drain current in the saturation region. It is common to assume that  $V_A$  approaches infinity, indicating that the drain current is independent of  $v_{DS}$ . The role of this parameter will become more obvious in the next section.

## Operation of the *n*-Channel Enhancement-Mode MOSFET

We first focus on *n*-channel enhancement-mode transistors, which are generally referred to as NMOS devices. The operation of these devices is most effectively explained by making reference to the four-quadrant plot of Figure 11.4. In this figure, the behavior of the NMOS device is tied to whether the channel is on or off at the source or drain end of the transistor. Recall that whenever the gate-to-substrate voltage is higher than the threshold voltage, the channel is on.



**Figure 11.4** Regions of operation of NMOS transistor

### Cutoff Region

When both  $v_{GS} < V_T$  and  $v_{GD} < V_T$ , the channel is off at both the source and the drain. Thus, there is no conduction region between drain and source, and no current can be conducted. We call this the **cutoff region**, indicated in Figure 11.4 by region 1. In this region,

$$i_D = 0 \quad \text{Cutoff region} \quad (11.2)$$

### Saturation Region

When  $v_{GS} > V_T$ , and  $v_{GD} < V_T$ , the channel is on at the source end and off at the drain. In this mode, the drain current is (very nearly) independent of the

drain-to-source voltage  $v_{DS}$  and depends on only the gate voltage. We call this the **saturation region**, indicated in Figure 11.4 by region 2. In this region, the MOSFET acts as a *voltage-controlled current source*. The equation for the drain current is given in equation 11.3. Note that in the more complete form of the equation, both the parameter  $V_A$  and the drain-to-source voltage  $v_{DS}$  appear. If, as is commonly done, we assume that  $V_A$  is very large, then we can use the approximate form, also shown below, which is independent of  $v_{DS}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} i_D &= K(v_{GS} - V_T)^2 \left( 1 + \frac{v_{DS}}{V_A} \right) && \text{Saturation region} && (11.3) \\ &\cong K(v_{GS} - V_T)^2 \end{aligned}$$

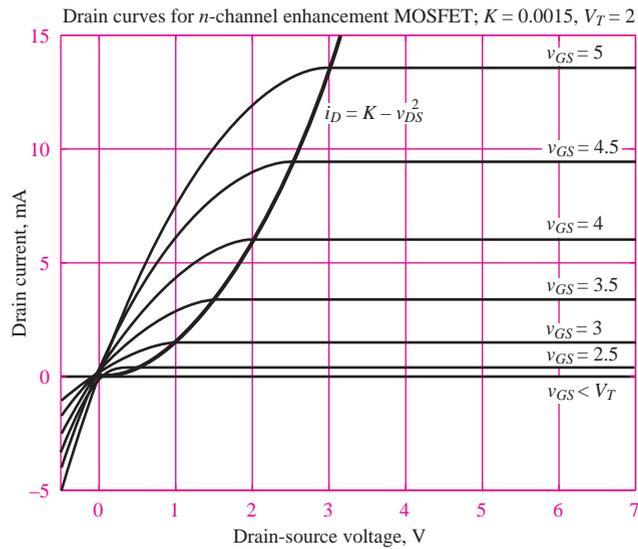
### Triode or Ohmic Region

When  $v_{GS} > V_T$  and  $v_{GD} > V_T$ , the channel is on at both ends of the device. In this mode, the drain current is strongly dependent on both the drain-to-source voltage  $v_{DS}$  and the gate-to-source voltage  $v_{GS}$ . We call this the **triode** or **ohmic region**, indicated in Figure 11.4 by region 3. The equation for the drain current is

$$i_D = K[2(v_{GS} - V_T)v_{DS} - v_{DS}^2] \quad \text{Triode or ohmic region} \quad (11.4)$$

If  $v_{DS}$  is much smaller than  $v_{GS}$ , then  $v_{GD} = v_{GS} - v_{DS} \approx v_{GS}$ . Thus, for small values of  $v_{DS}$  (see the drain characteristic curves in Figure 11.5), the channel is approximately equally on at both the drain and the source end. Thus, changes in the gate voltage will directly affect the conductivity of the channel. In this mode, the MOSFET behaves very much as a *voltage-controlled resistor* that is controlled by the gate voltage. This property finds much use in integrated circuits, in that it is easier to implement an integrated-circuit version of a resistor through a MOSFET than to actually build a passive resistor. There also exist other applications of the voltage-controlled resistor property of MOSFETs in tunable (variable-gain) amplifiers and in analog gates.

The three regions of operation can also be identified in the drain characteristic curves shown in Figure 11.5. In this figure, the circuit of Figure 11.3(b) is used to vary the gate and drain voltages with respect to the source and substrate (which are assumed to be electrically connected). You can see that for  $v_{GS} < V_T$  and  $v_{GD} < V_T$ , the transistor is in the cutoff region (1) and no drain current flows. To better understand the difference between the saturation and triode (or ohmic) regions of operation, the boundary between these two regions is shown in Figure 11.5 by the curve  $i_D = K v_{DS}^2$ . You can see that in the saturation region (2), the transistor supplies nearly constant drain current, the value of which is dependent on the square of the gate-to-source voltage. Thus, in this region the MOSFET operates as a *voltage-controlled current source*, and it can be used in a variety of amplifier applications. On the other hand, in the triode region (3), the drain current is very strongly dependent on both the gate-to-source and the drain-to-source voltages (see equation 11.4). If, however,  $v_{DS}$  is much smaller than  $v_{GS}$ , then  $v_{GD} = v_{GS} + v_{DS} \approx v_{GS}$ , and the channel is on equally, or very nearly so, at both the source and drain ends. This corresponds to the region near the origin in the curves of Figure 11.5, in which the drain current curves are nearly straight lines. In this portion of the triode region, the MOSFET acts as a variable resistor, with resistance (i.e., the reciprocal of the slope in the  $i_D - v_{DS}$  curves) controlled by the gate-to-source voltage. As mentioned earlier, this variable resistor characteristic of MOSFETs is widely exploited in integrated circuits. Finally, if the drain-to-source voltage exceeds the **breakdown voltage**  $V_{DSS}$ , the drain current will



**Figure 11.5** Drain characteristic curves for a typical NMOS transistor with  $V_T = 2$  V and  $K = 1.5$  mA/V<sup>2</sup>

increase sharply and the result may be device failure. This **breakdown region** is not shown in Figure 11.5.



### EXAMPLE 11.1 Determining the Operating State of a MOSFET

#### Problem

Determine the operating state of the MOSFET shown in the circuit of Figure 11.6 for the given values of  $V_{DD}$  and  $V_{GG}$  if the ammeter and voltmeter shown read the following values:

- $V_{GG} = 1$  V;  $V_{DD} = 10$  V;  $v_{DS} = 10$  V;  $i_D = 0$  mA;  $R_D = 100$   $\Omega$ .
- $V_{GG} = 4$  V;  $V_{DD} = 10$  V;  $v_{DS} = 2.8$  V;  $i_D = 72$  mA;  $R_D = 100$   $\Omega$ .
- $V_{GG} = 3$  V;  $V_{DD} = 10$  V;  $v_{DS} = 1.5$  V;  $i_D = 13.5$  mA;  $R_D = 630$   $\Omega$ .

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** MOSFET drain resistance; drain and gate supply voltages; MOSFET equations.

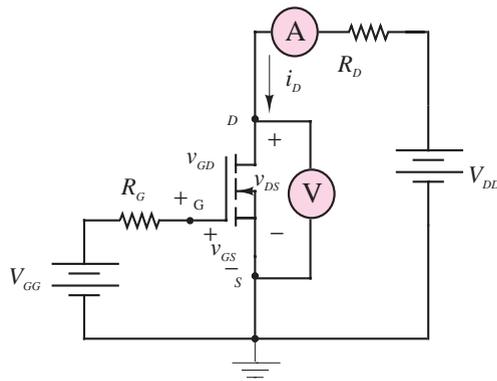
**Find:** MOSFET quiescent drain current,  $i_{DQ}$ , and quiescent drain-source voltage,  $v_{DSQ}$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $V_T = 2$  V;  $K = 18$  mA/V<sup>2</sup>.

**Assumptions:** Use the MOSFET equations 11.2–11.4 as needed.

#### Analysis:

- Since the drain current is zero, the MOSFET is in the cutoff region. You should verify that both the conditions  $v_{GS} < V_T$  and  $v_{GD} < V_T$  are satisfied.



**Figure 11.6** Circuit used in Example 11.1

- b. In this case,  $v_{GS} = V_{GG} = 4 \text{ V} > V_T$ . On the other hand,  $v_{GD} = v_G - v_D = 4 - 2.8 = 1.2 \text{ V} < V_T$ . Thus, the transistor is in the saturation region. We can calculate the drain current to be:  $i_D = K(v_{GS} - V_T)^2 = 18 \times (4 - 2)^2 = 72 \text{ mA}$ . Alternatively, we can also calculate the drain current as  $i_D = \frac{V_{DD} - v_{DS}}{R_D} = \frac{10 - 2.8}{0.1 \text{ k}\Omega} = 72 \text{ mA}$ .
- c. In the third case,  $v_{GS} = V_{GG} = v_G = 3 \text{ V} > V_T$ . The drain voltage is measured to be  $v_{DS} = v_D = 1.5 \text{ V}$ , and therefore  $v_{GD} = 3 - 1.5 = 1.5 \text{ V} < V_T$ . In this case, the MOSFET is in the ohmic, or triode, region. We can now calculate the current to be  $i_D = K[2(v_{GS} - V_T)v_{DS} - v_{DS}^2] = 18 \times [2 \times (3 - 2) \times 1.5 - 1.5^2] = 13.5 \text{ mA}$ . We can also calculate the drain current to be  $i_D = \frac{V_{DD} - v_{DS}}{R_D} = \frac{(10 - 1.5) \text{ V}}{0.630 \text{ k}\Omega} = 13.5 \text{ mA}$ .

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

What is the operating state of the MOSFET of Example 11.1 for the following conditions?

$$V_{GG} = 10/3 \text{ V}; V_{DD} = 10 \text{ V}; v_{DS} = 3.6 \text{ V}; i_D = 32 \text{ mA}; R_D = 200 \Omega.$$

Answer: Saturation

## 11.3 BIASING MOSFET CIRCUITS

Now that we have analyzed the basic characteristics of MOSFETs of the  $n$ -channel enhancement MOSFET and can identify its operating state, we are ready to develop systematic procedures for biasing a MOSFET circuit. This section presents two bias circuits. The first, illustrated in Examples 11.2 and 11.3, uses two distinct voltage supplies. This bias circuit is easier to understand, but not very practical—as we have already seen with BJTs, it is preferable to have a single DC voltage supply. This desire is addressed by the second bias circuit, described in Examples 11.4 and 11.5.



## EXAMPLE 11.2 MOSFET Q-Point Graphical Determination

### Problem

Determine the  $Q$  point for the MOSFET in the circuit of Figure 11.7.

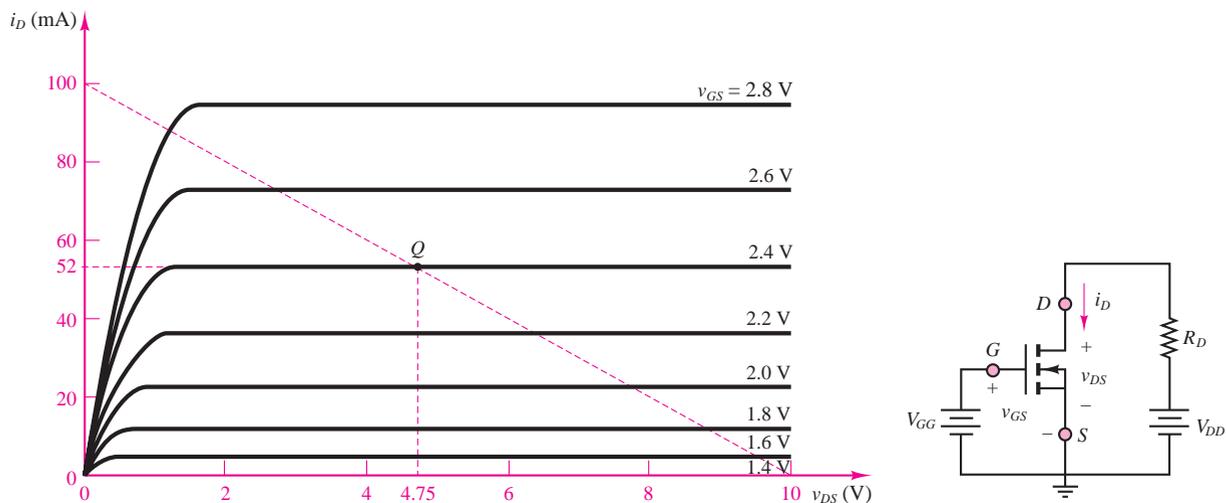


Figure 11.7 The  $n$ -channel enhancement MOSFET circuit and drain characteristic for Example 11.2

### Solution

**Known Quantities:** MOSFET drain resistance; drain and gate supply voltages; MOSFET drain curves.

**Find:** MOSFET quiescent drain current  $i_{DQ}$  and quiescent drain-source voltage  $v_{DSQ}$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $V_{GG} = 2.4$  V;  $V_{DD} = 10$  V;  $R_D = 100$   $\Omega$ .

**Assumptions:** Use the drain curves of Figure 11.7.

**Analysis:** To determine the  $Q$  point, we write the drain circuit equation, applying KVL:

$$V_{DD} = R_D i_D + v_{DS}$$

$$10 = 100i_D + v_{DS}$$

The resulting curve is plotted as a dashed line on the drain curves of Figure 11.7 by noting that the drain current axis intercept is equal to  $V_{DD}/R_D = 100$  mA and that the drain-source voltage axis intercept is equal to  $V_{DD} = 10$  V. The  $Q$  point is then given by the intersection of the load line with the  $V_{GS} = 2.4$  V curve. Thus,  $i_{DQ} = 52$  mA and  $v_{DSQ} = 4.75$  V.

**Comments:** Note that the  $Q$ -point determination for a MOSFET is easier than for a BJT, since there is no need to consider the gate circuit, because gate current flow is essentially zero. In the case of the BJT, we also needed to consider the base circuit.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Determine the operating region of the MOSFET of Example 11.2 when  $v_{GS} = 3.5$  V.

Answer: The MOSFET is in the ohmic region.

## EXAMPLE 11.3 MOSFET Q-Point Calculation



### Problem

Determine the  $Q$  point for the MOSFET in the circuit of Figure 11.7.

### Solution

**Known Quantities:** MOSFET drain resistance; drain and gate supply voltages; MOSFET equations.

**Find:** MOSFET quiescent drain current  $i_{DQ}$  and quiescent drain-source voltage  $v_{DSQ}$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $V_{GG} = 2.4$  V;  $V_{DD} = 10$  V;  $V_T = 1.4$  V;  $K = 48.5$  mA/V<sup>2</sup>;  $R_D = 100$   $\Omega$ .

**Assumptions:** Use the MOSFET equations 11.2 through 11.4 as needed.

**Analysis:** The gate supply  $V_{GG}$  ensures that  $v_{GSQ} = V_{GG} = 2.4$  V. Thus,  $v_{GSQ} > V_T$ . We assume that the MOSFET is in the saturation region, and we proceed to use equation 11.3 to calculate the drain current:

$$i_{DQ} = K(v_{GS} - V_T)^2 = 48.5(2.4 - 1.4) = 48.5 \text{ mA}$$

Applying KVL to the drain loop, we can calculate the quiescent drain-to-source voltage as:

$$v_{DSQ} = V_{DD} - R_D i_{DQ} = 10 - 100 \times 48.5 \times 10^{-3} = 5.15 \text{ V}$$

Now we can verify the assumption that the MOSFET was operating in the saturation region. Recall that the conditions required for operation in region 2 (saturation) were  $v_{GS} > V_T$  and  $v_{GD} < V_T$ . The first condition is clearly satisfied. The second can be verified by recognizing that  $v_{GD} = v_{GS} + v_{SD} = v_{GS} - v_{DS} = -2.75$  V. Clearly, the condition  $v_{GD} < V_T$  is also satisfied, and the MOSFET is indeed operating in the saturation region.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Find the lowest value of  $R_D$  for the MOSFET of Example 11.3 that will place the MOSFET in the ohmic region.

Answer:  $\sim 400$   $\Omega$



### EXAMPLE 11.4 MOSFET Self-Bias Circuit

#### Problem

Figure 11.8(a) depicts a self-bias circuit for a MOSFET. Determine the  $Q$  point for the MOSFET by choosing  $R_S$  such that  $v_{DSQ} = 8$  V.

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** MOSFET drain and gate resistances; drain supply voltage; MOSFET parameters  $V_T$  and  $K$ ; desired drain-to-source voltage  $v_{DSQ}$ .

**Find:** MOSFET quiescent gate-source voltage  $v_{GSQ}$ , quiescent drain current  $i_{DQ}$ , and quiescent drain-source voltage  $v_{DSQ}$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $V_{DD} = 30$  V;  $R_D = 10$  k $\Omega$ ;  $R_1 = R_2 = 1.2$  M $\Omega$ ;  $V_T = 4$  V;  $K = 0.2188$  mA/V<sup>2</sup>;  $v_{DSQ} = 8$  V.

**Assumptions:** Assume operation in the saturation region.

**Analysis:** First we reduce the circuit of Figure 11.8(a) to the circuit of Figure 11.8(b), in which the voltage divider rule has been used to compute the value of the fictitious supply  $V_{GG}$ :

$$V_{GG} = \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} V_{DD} = 15 \text{ V}$$

Let all currents be expressed in milliamperes and all resistances in kilohms. Applying KVL around the equivalent gate circuit of Figure 11.8(b) yields

$$v_{GSQ} + i_{GQ}R_G + i_{DQ}R_S = V_{GG} = 15 \text{ V}$$

where  $R_G = R_1 \parallel R_2$ . Since  $i_{GQ} = 0$ , due to the infinite input resistance of the MOSFET, the gate equation simplifies to

$$v_{GSQ} + i_{DQ}R_S = 15 \text{ V} \quad (\text{a})$$

The drain circuit equation is

$$v_{DSQ} + i_{DQ}R_D + i_{DQ}R_S = V_{DD} = 30 \text{ V} \quad (\text{b})$$

Using equation 11.3, we get

$$i_{DQ} = K(v_{GS} - V_T)^2 \quad (\text{c})$$

We can obtain the third equation needed to solve for the three unknowns  $v_{GSQ}$ ,  $i_{DQ}$ , and  $v_{DSQ}$ . From equation (a) we write

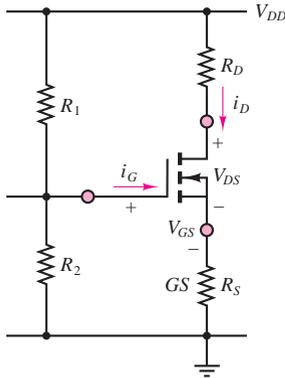
$$i_{DQ}R_S = V_{GG} - v_{GSQ} = \frac{V_{DD}}{2} - v_{GSQ}$$

and we substitute the result into equation (b):

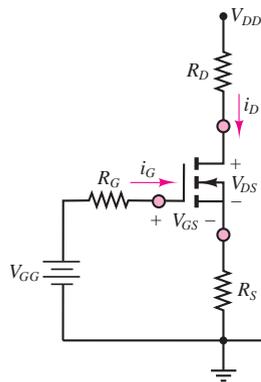
$$V_{DD} = i_{DQ}R_D + v_{DSQ} + \frac{V_{DD}}{2} - v_{GSQ}$$

or

$$i_{DQ} = \frac{1}{R_D} \left( \frac{V_{DD}}{2} - v_{DSQ} + v_{GSQ} \right)$$



(a)



(b)

**Figure 11.8** (a) Self-bias circuit for Example 11.4; (b) equivalent circuit for (a)

Substituting the previous equation for  $i_{DQ}$  into equation (c), we finally obtain a quadratic equation that can be solved for  $v_{GSQ}$  since we know the desired value of  $v_{DSQ}$ :

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{1}{R_D} \left( \frac{V_{DD}}{2} - v_{DSQ} + v_{GSQ} \right) &= K (v_{GSQ} - V_T)^2 \\ K v_{GSQ}^2 - 2K V_T v_{GSQ} + K V_T^2 - \frac{1}{R_D} \left( \frac{V_{DD}}{2} - v_{DSQ} \right) - \frac{1}{R_D} v_{GSQ} &= 0 \\ v_{GSQ}^2 - \left( 2V_T + \frac{1}{KR_D} \right) v_{GSQ} + V_T^2 - \frac{1}{KR_D} \left( \frac{V_{DD}}{2} - v_{DSQ} \right) &= 0 \\ v_{GSQ}^2 - 8.457 v_{GSQ} + 12.8 &= 0\end{aligned}$$

The two solutions for the above quadratic equation are

$$v_{GSQ} = 6.48 \text{ V} \quad \text{and} \quad v_{GSQ} = 1.97 \text{ V}$$

Only the first of these two values is acceptable for operation in the saturation region, since the second root corresponds to a value of  $v_{GS}$  lower than the threshold voltage (recall that  $V_T = 4 \text{ V}$ ). Substituting the first value into equation (c), we can compute the quiescent drain current

$$i_{DQ} = 1.35 \text{ mA}$$

Using this value in the gate circuit equation (a), we compute the solution for the source resistance:

$$R_S = 6.32 \text{ k}\Omega$$

**Comments:** Why are there two solutions to the problem posed in this example? Mathematically, we know that this should be the case because the drain universal equation is a quadratic equation. As you can see, we used the physical constraints of the problem to select the appropriate solution.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Determine the appropriate value of  $R_S$  if we wish to move the operating point of the MOSFET of Example 11.4 to  $v_{DSQ} = 12 \text{ V}$ . Also find the values of  $v_{GSQ}$  and  $i_{DQ}$ . Are these values unique?

Answer: The answer is not unique. For the smaller value of  $v_{GS}$ ,  $R_S = 2.86 \text{ V}$ ,  $R_S = 20.7 \text{ k}\Omega$ , and  $i_D = 0.586 \text{ mA}$ . For the larger value of  $v_{GS}$ ,  $R_S = 11.5 \text{ k}\Omega$ .

## EXAMPLE 11.5 Analysis of MOSFET Amplifier



### Problem

Determine the gate and drain-source voltage and the drain current for the MOSFET amplifier of Figure 11.9.

### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Drain, source, and gate resistors; drain supply voltage; MOSFET parameters.

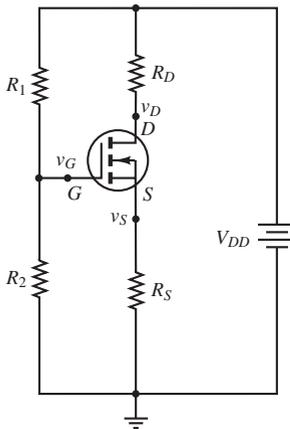


Figure 11.9

**Find:**  $v_{GS}$ ;  $v_{DS}$ ;  $i_D$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $R_1 = R_2 = 1\text{ M}\Omega$ ;  $R_D = 6\text{ k}\Omega$ ;  $R_S = 6\text{ k}\Omega$ ;  $V_{DD} = 10\text{ V}$ ;  $V_T = 1\text{ V}$ ;  $K = 0.5\text{ mA/V}^2$ .

**Assumptions:** The MOSFET is operating in the saturation region. All currents are expressed in milliamperes and all resistors in kilohms.

**Analysis:** The gate voltage is computed by applying the voltage divider rule between resistors  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  (remember that no current flows into the transistor):

$$v_G = \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} V_{DD} = \frac{1}{2} V_{DD} = 5\text{ V}$$

Assuming saturation region operation, we write

$$v_{GS} = v_G - v_S = v_G - R_S i_D = 5 - 6i_D$$

The drain current can be computed from equation 11.3:

$$i_D = K (v_{GS} - V_T)^2 = 0.5 (5 - 6i_D - 1)^2$$

leading to

$$36i_D^2 - 50i_D + 16 = 0$$

with solutions

$$i_D = 0.89\text{ mA} \quad \text{and} \quad i_D = 0.5\text{ mA}$$

To determine which of the two solutions should be chosen, we compute the gate-source voltage for each. For  $i_D = 0.89\text{ mA}$ ,  $v_{GS} = 5 - 6i_D = -0.34\text{ V}$ . For  $i_D = 0.5\text{ mA}$ ,  $v_{GS} = 5 - 6i_D = 2\text{ V}$ . Since  $v_{GS}$  must be greater than  $V_T$  for the MOSFET to be in the saturation region, we select the solution

$$i_D = 0.5\text{ mA} \quad v_{GS} = 2\text{ V}$$

The corresponding drain voltage is therefore found to be

$$v_D = v_{DD} - R_D i_D = 10 - 6i_D = 7\text{ V}$$

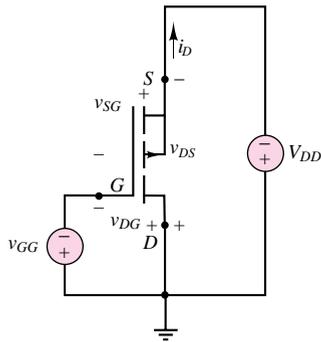
And therefore

$$v_{DS} = v_D - v_S = v_D - i_D R_S = 7 - 3 = 4\text{ V}$$

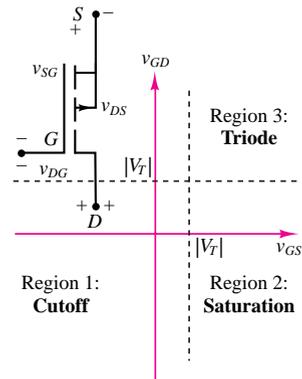
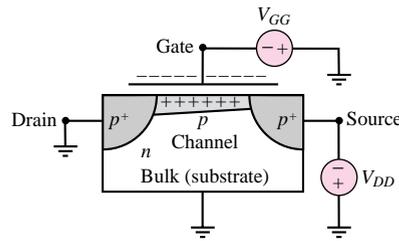
**Comments:** Now that we have computed the desired voltages and current, we can verify that the conditions for operation in the saturation region are indeed satisfied:  $v_{GS} = 2 > V_T$  and  $v_{GD} = v_{GS} - v_{DS} = 2 - 4 = -2 < V_T$ . Since the inequalities are satisfied, the MOSFET is indeed operating in the saturation region.

## Operation of the P-Channel Enhancement-Mode MOSFET

The operation of a  $p$ -channel enhancement-mode MOS transistor is very similar in concept to that of an  $n$ -channel device. Figure 11.10 depicts a test circuit and a sketch of the device construction. Note that the roles of  $n$ -type and  $p$ -type materials are reversed and that the charge carriers in the channel are no longer electrons, but holes. Further, the threshold voltage is now negative:  $V_T < 0$ . However, if we replace  $v_{GS}$  with  $v_{SG}$ ,  $v_{GD}$  with  $v_{SD}$ , and  $v_{DS}$  with  $v_{SD}$ , and we use  $|V_T|$  in place of  $V_T$ , then the



**Figure 11.10** The  $p$ -channel enhancement-mode field-effect transistor (PMOS)



**Figure 11.11** Regions of operation of PMOS transistor

analysis of the device is completely analogous to that of the  $n$ -channel MOS transistor. In particular, Figure 11.11 depicts the behavior of a PMOS transistor in terms of the gate-to-drain and gate-to-source voltages, in analogy with Figure 11.4. The resulting equations for the three modes of operation of the PMOS transistor are summarized below:

Cutoff region:  $v_{SG} < |V_T|$  and  $v_{DG} < |V_T|$ .

$$i_D = 0 \quad \text{Cutoff region} \quad (11.5)$$

Saturation region: when  $v_{SG} > |V_T|$  and  $v_{DG} < |V_T|$ .

$$i_D \cong K(v_{SG} - |V_T|)^2 \quad \text{Saturation region} \quad (11.6)$$

Triode or ohmic region: when  $v_{SG} > |V_T|$  and  $v_{DG} > |V_T|$ .

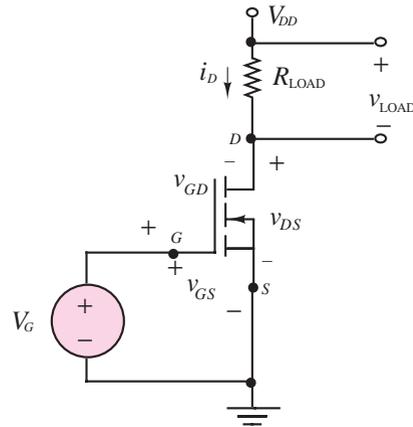
$$i_D = K[2(v_{SG} - |V_T|)v_{SD} - v_{SD}^2] \quad \text{Triode or ohmic region} \quad (11.7)$$

## 11.4 MOSFET LARGE-SIGNAL AMPLIFIERS

The objective of this section is to illustrate how a MOSFET can be used as a large-signal amplifier, in applications similar to those illustrated in Chapter 10 for bipolar transistors. Equation 11.3, repeated below for convenience, describes the approximate relationship between the drain current and gate-source voltage for the MOSFET in a large-signal amplifier application. Appropriate biasing, as explained in the preceding section, is used to ensure that the MOSFET is operating in the saturation mode.

$$i_D \cong K(v_{GS} - V_T)^2 \quad (11.8)$$

MOSFET amplifiers are commonly found in one of two configurations: *common-source* and *source-follower* amplifiers. Figure 11.12 depicts a basic common-source configuration. Note that when the MOSFET is in saturation, this amplifier is essentially a voltage-controlled current source (VCCS), in which the drain current is controlled



**Figure 11.12** Common-source MOSFET amplifier

by the gate voltage. Thus, the load voltage, across the load resistance, is given by the expression

$$v_{\text{LOAD}} = R_{\text{LOAD}} i_D \cong R_{\text{LOAD}} K (v_{\text{GS}} - V_T)^2 = R_{\text{LOAD}} K (V_G - V_T)^2 \quad (11.9)$$

A source-follower amplifier is shown in Figure 11.13(a). Note that the load is now connected between the source and ground. The behavior of this circuit depends on the load current and can be analyzed for the resistive load of Figure 11.13 by observing that the load voltage is given by the expression  $v_{\text{LOAD}} = R_{\text{LOAD}} i_D$ , where

$$i_D \cong K (v_{\text{GS}} - V_T)^2 = K (\Delta v - v_S)^2 = K (\Delta v - v_{\text{LOAD}})^2 = K (\Delta v - R_{\text{LOAD}} i_D)^2 \quad (11.10)$$

and where  $\Delta v = V_G - V_T$ . We can then solve for the load current from the quadratic equation:

$$i_D = K (\Delta v - R_{\text{LOAD}} i_D)^2 = K \Delta v^2 - 2K \Delta v R_{\text{LOAD}} i_D + R_{\text{LOAD}}^2 i_D^2 \quad (11.11)$$

$$i_D^2 - \frac{1}{R_{\text{LOAD}}^2} (2K \Delta v R_{\text{LOAD}} + 1) i_D + \frac{K}{R_{\text{LOAD}}^2} \Delta v^2 = 0$$

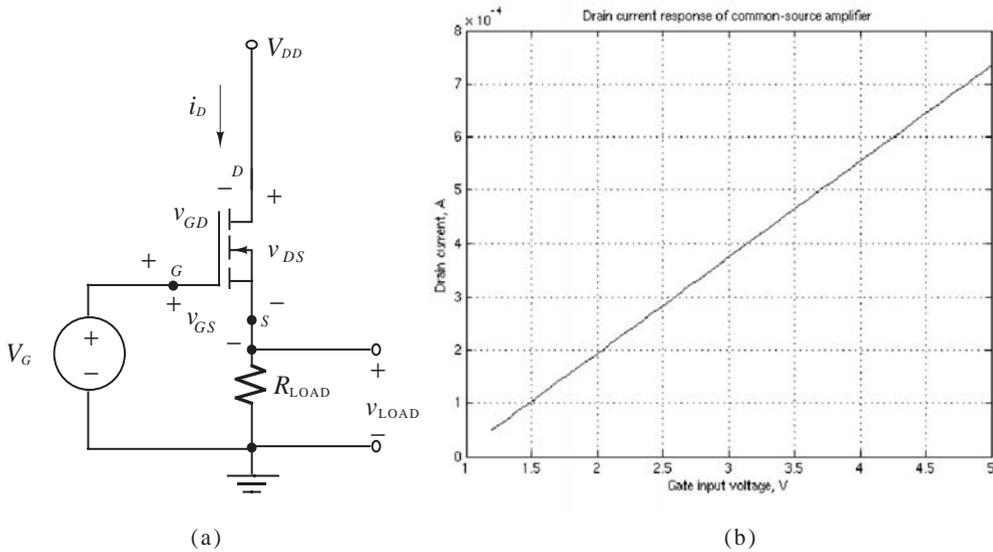
with solution

$$i_D^2 - \frac{1}{R_{\text{LOAD}}^2} (2K \Delta v R_{\text{LOAD}} + 1) i_D + \frac{K}{R_{\text{LOAD}}^2} \Delta v^2 = 0$$

$$i_D = \frac{1}{2R_{\text{LOAD}}^2} (2K \Delta v R_{\text{LOAD}} + 1) \pm \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\left[ \frac{1}{R_{\text{LOAD}}^2} (2K \Delta v R_{\text{LOAD}} + 1) \right]^2 - \frac{4K}{R_{\text{LOAD}}^2} \Delta v^2} \quad (11.12)$$

Figure 11.13(b) depicts the drain current response of the source-follower MOSFET amplifier when the gate voltage varies between the threshold voltage and 5 volts for a 100- $\Omega$  load when  $K = 0.018$  and  $V_T = 1.2$  V. Note that the response of this amplifier is linear in the gate voltage. This behavior is due to the fact that the source voltage increases as the drain current increases, since the source voltage is proportional to  $i_D$ .

The following examples, 11.6 and 11.7, illustrate the application of simple MOSFET large-signal amplifiers as battery chargers and electric motor drivers.



**Figure 11.13** (a) Source-follower MOSFET amplifier. (b) Drain current response for a 100- $\Omega$  load when  $K = 0.018$  and  $V_T = 1.2$  V

**EXAMPLE 11.6 Using a MOSFET as a Current Source for Battery Charging**

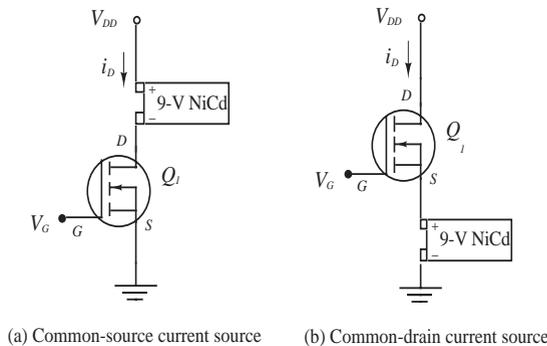
**Problem**

Analyze the two battery charging circuits shown in Figure 11.14. Use the transistor parameters to determine the range of required gate voltages,  $V_G$ , to provide a variable charging current up to a maximum of 0.1 A. Assume that the terminal voltage of a fully discharged battery is 9 V, and of a fully charged battery 10.5 V.

**Solution**

**Known Quantities:** Transistor large-signal parameters; NiCd battery nominal voltage.

**Find:**  $V_{DD}$ ,  $V_G$ , range of gate voltages leading to a maximum charging current of 0.1A.



**Figure 11.14** Continued

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data.** Figure 11.14(a), (b).  $V_T = 1.2$  V;  $K = 0.018$  mA/V<sup>2</sup>.

**Assumptions:** Assume that the MOSFETs are operating in the saturation region.

**Analysis:**

- a. The conditions for the MOSFET to be in the saturation region are:  $v_{GS} > V_T$  and  $v_{GD} < V_T$ . The first condition is satisfied whenever the gate voltage is above 1.2 V. Thus the transistor will first begin to conduct when  $V_G = 1.2$ . Assuming for the moment that both conditions are satisfied, and that  $V_{DD}$  is sufficiently large, we can calculate the drain current to be:  $i_D = K(v_{GS} - V_T)^2 = 0.018 \times (v_G - 1.2)^2$  A. The plot of Figure 11.14(c) depicts the battery charging (drain) current as a function of the gate voltage. You can see that the maximum charging current of 100 mA can be generated with a gate voltage of approximately 3.5 V. The nonlinear nature of the MOSFET is also clear from the  $i$ - $v$  plot. Let us now determine whether the condition  $v_{GD} < V_T$  is also met. The requirement for the active region is that  $v_{DS} > v_{GS} - V_T$ , which is the better way to think about it; however this does indeed translate into  $v_{GD} < V_T$ . But be careful in interpreting this last equation. When  $V_{DS} > V_{GS} - V_T$ , then  $V_{GD}$  will usually be negative, since the drain voltage should be larger than the source voltage. This can be easily done if we realize that  $v_{GD} = v_G - v_D$ , and that  $v_D = V_{DD} - V_B$ , where  $V_B$  is the battery voltage. To satisfy the condition  $v_{GD} < V_T$ , solve the following inequality:

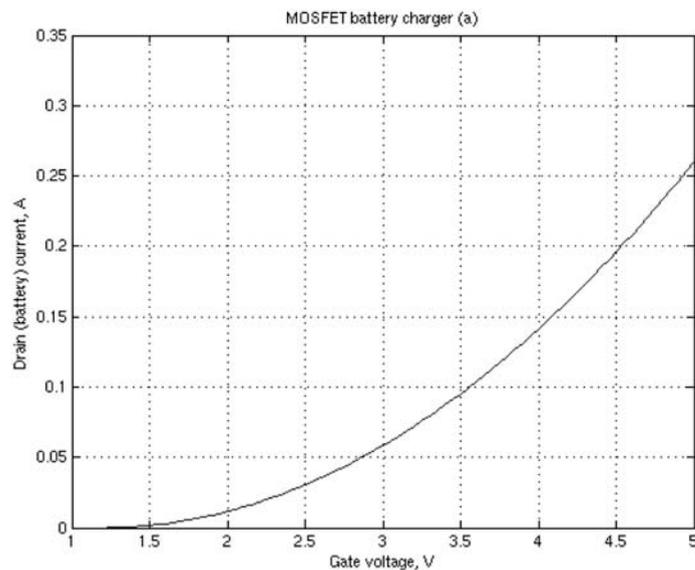
$$v_{GD} < V_T$$

$$v_G - v_D < V_T, \text{ which is negative}$$

$$v_D > v_G - V_T$$

$$V_{DD} - V_B < v_G - V_T, \text{ so actually } V_{DD} - V_B > v_G - V_T$$

To ensure that the NMOS remains in the saturation region throughout the range of battery voltage, we need to make  $V_{DD}$  sufficiently large. In this case  $V_{DD}$  should be larger than 12 V.



(c) Gate voltage—drain current curve for the circuit of Figure 11.14(a)

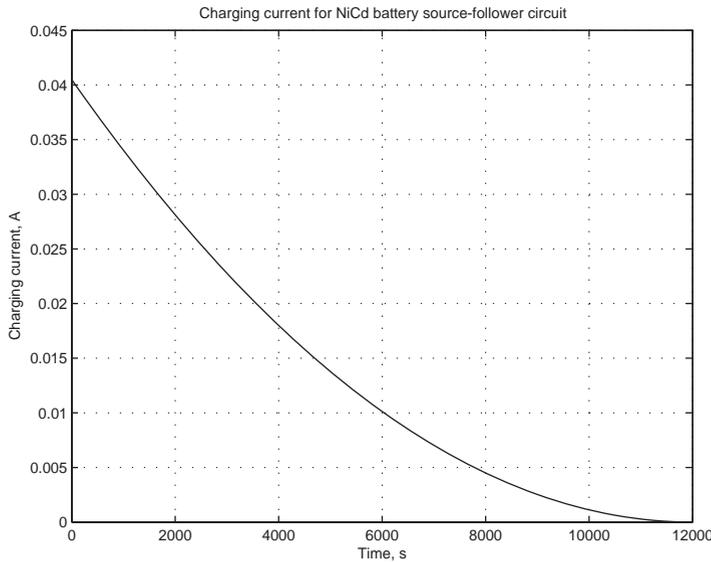
**Figure 11.14** Continued

- b. The analysis of the second circuit is based on the observation that the voltage at the source terminal of the MOSFET is equal to the gate voltage minus the threshold voltage. If we wish to charge the battery up to 10.5 V, we need to have a gate voltage of at least 11.7 V, to satisfy  $v_{GS} > V_T$ . If we assume that the battery is initially discharged (9 V), we can calculate the initial charging current to be

$$i_D = K(v_{GS} - V_T)^2 = K(V_G - V_B - V_T)^2 = 0.018 \times (11.7 - 9 - 1.2)^2 = 0.0405 \text{ A}$$

If we further assume that during the charging the battery voltage increases linearly from 9 to 10.5 V over a period of 20 minutes, we can calculate the charging current as the battery voltage increases. Note that when the battery is fully charged,  $v_{GS}$  is no longer larger than the threshold voltage and the transistor is cut off. A plot of the drain (charging) current as a function of time is shown in Figure 11.14(d). Note that the charging current naturally tapers to zero as the battery voltage increases.

**Comments:** In the circuit of part (b), please note that the battery voltage is not likely to actually increase linearly. The voltage rise will begin to taper off as the battery begins to approach full charge. In practice, this means that the charging process will take longer than projected in Figure 11.14(d).



(d) Charging current profile for the circuit of Figure 11.14(b)

**Figure 11.14** Simple battery charging circuits

### CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

What is the maximum power dissipation of the MOSFET for each of the circuits in Example 11.6?

Answers: Part (a):  $P_{NMOS} = v_{DS} \times i_D = (v_D - v_S) \times i_D = 3 \times 0.1 = 300 \text{ mW}$   
 Part (b):  $P_{NMOS} = v_{DS} \times i_D = (v_D - v_S) \times i_D = 3 \times 0.0405 = 121.5 \text{ mW}$

**EXAMPLE 11.7 MOSFET DC Motor Drive Circuit****Problem**

The aim of this example is to design a MOSFET driver for the **Lego® 9V Technic motor, model 43362**. Figures 11.15(a) and (b) show the driver circuit and a picture of the motor, respectively. The motor has a maximum (stall) current of 340 mA. Minimum current to start motor rotation is 20 mA. The aim of the circuit is to control the current to the motor (and therefore the motor torque, which is proportional to the current) via the gate voltage.

**Solution**

**Known Quantities:** Transistor large-signal parameters; component values.

**Find:** Values of  $R_1$  and  $R_2$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:** Figure 11.15.  $V_T = 1.2$  V;  $K = 0.08$  A/V<sup>2</sup>.

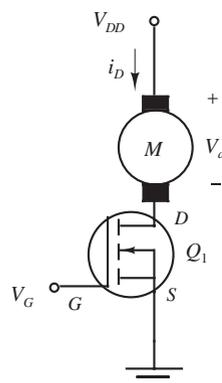
**Assumptions:** Assume that the MOSFET is in the saturation region.

**Analysis:** The conditions for the MOSFET to be in the saturation region are:  $v_{GS} > V_T$  and  $v_{GD} < V_T$ . The first condition is satisfied whenever the gate voltage is above 1.2 V. Thus the transistor will first begin to conduct when  $V_G = 1.2$ . Assuming for the moment that both conditions are satisfied, and that  $V_{DD}$  is sufficiently large, we can calculate the drain current to be:

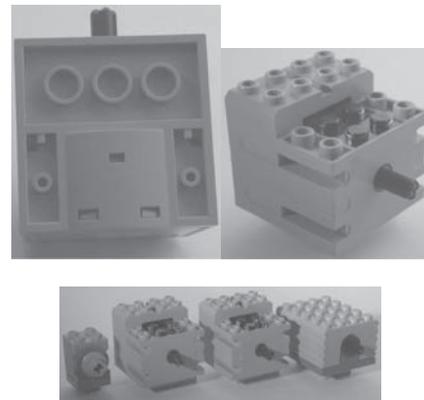
$$i_D = K(v_{GS} - V_T)^2 = 0.08 \times (v_G - 1.2)^2 \text{ A}$$

The plot of Figure 11.15(c) depicts the DC motor (drain) current as a function of the gate voltage. You can see that the maximum current of 340 mA can be generated with a gate voltage of approximately 3.3 V. It would take approximately 1.5 V at the gate to generate the minimum required current of 20 mA.

**Comments:** This circuit could be quite easily implemented in practice to drive the motor with a signal from a microcontroller. In practice, instead of trying to output an analog voltage,

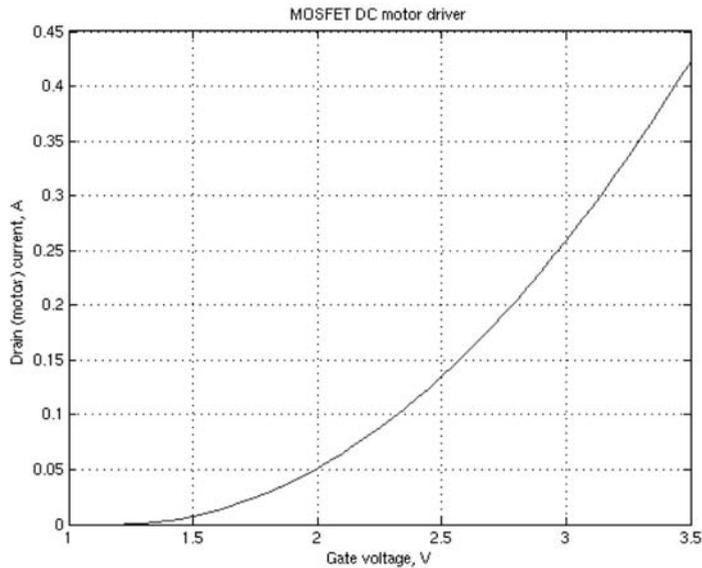


(a) MOSFET DC motor driver circuit

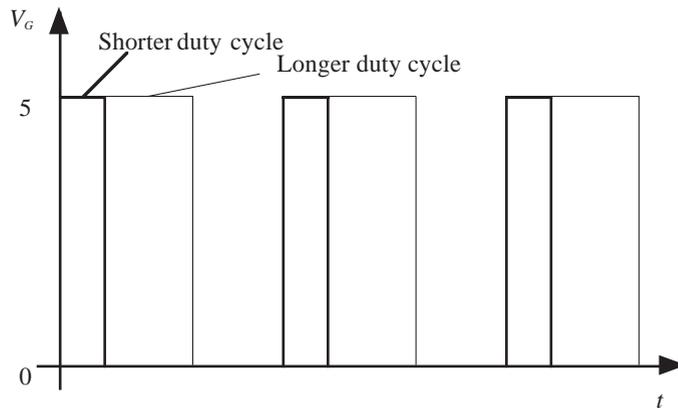


(b) Lego® 9V Technic motor, top: model 43362; bottom: family of Lego® motors  
Courtesy: Philippe “philo” Hurbain.

**Figure 11.15** Continued



(c) Drain current–gate voltage curve for the MOSFET in saturation



(d) Pulse-width modulation (PWM) gate voltage waveforms

**Figure 11.15** DC motor drive circuit

a microcontroller is better suited to the generation of a digital (On-Off) signal. For example, the gate drive signal could be a *pulse-width modulated* (PWM) 0–5 V pulse train, in which the ratio of the *On* time to the period of the waveform time is called *duty cycle*. Figure 11.15(d) depicts the possible appearance of a digital PWM gate voltage input.

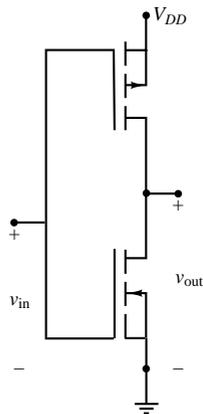
## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

What is the range of duty cycles needed to cover the current range of the Lego motor?

Answer: 30 to 70 percent

## 11.5 MOSFET SWITCHES

The objective of this section is to illustrate how a MOSFET can be used as an analog or a digital switch (or gate). Most MOSFET switches make use of a particular technology known as **complementary metal-oxide semiconductor**, or **CMOS**. CMOS technology makes use of the complementary characteristics of PMOS and NMOS devices and leads to the design of integrated circuits with extremely low power consumption. Further, CMOS circuits are easily fabricated and require a single supply voltage, which is a significant advantage.

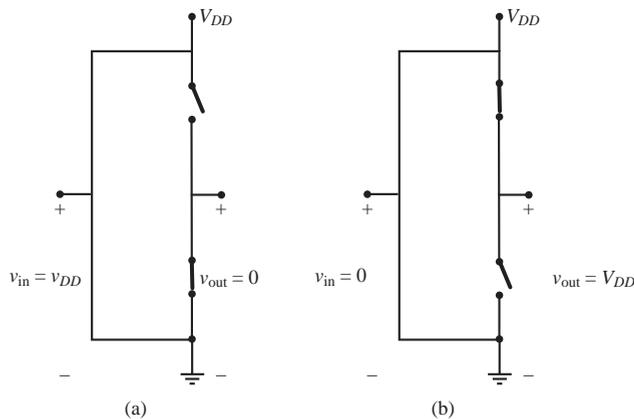


**Figure 11.16** CMOS inverter

### Digital Switches and Gates

To explain CMOS technology, we make reference to the **CMOS inverter** of Figure 11.16, in which two  $p$ -channel and  $n$ -channel enhancement-mode devices are connected so as to have a single supply voltage ( $V_{DD}$ , relative to ground) and so that their gates are tied together. The  $p$ -channel transistor is shown on the top and the  $n$ -channel device on the bottom in Figure 11.16. Functionally, this device is an inverter in the sense that whenever the input voltage  $v_{in}$  is *logic high*, or 1 (i.e., near  $V_{DD}$ ), then the output voltage is *logic low* (or 0). If the input is logic 0, on the other hand, then the output will be logic 1.

The operation of the inverter is as follows. When the input voltage is high (near  $V_{DD}$ ), then the gate-to-source voltage for the  $p$ -channel transistor is near zero and the PMOS transistor operates in the cutoff region. Thus, no drain current flows through the top transistor, and it is *off*, acting as an open circuit. On the other hand, with  $v_{in}$  near  $V_{DD}$ , the bottom transistor sees a large gate-to-source voltage and will turn *on*, resulting in a small resistance between the  $v_{out}$  terminal and ground. Thus, if  $v_{in}$  is “high,”  $v_{out}$  will by necessity be “low.” This is illustrated in the simplified sketch of Figure 11.17(a), in which the PMOS transistor is approximated by an open switch (to signify the off condition) and the NMOS transistor is shown as a closed switch to denote its on condition. When the input voltage is low (near 0 V), then the PMOS transistor will see a large negative gate-to-source voltage and will turn on; on the other hand, the gate-to-source voltage for the NMOS will be near zero, and the lower transistor will be off. This is illustrated in Figure 11.17(b), using ideal



**Figure 11.17** CMOS inverter approximate by ideal switches: (a) When  $v_{in}$  is “high,”  $v_{out}$  is tied to ground; (b) when  $v_{in}$  is “low,”  $v_{out}$  is tied to  $V_{DD}$ .

switches to approximate the individual transistors. Note that this simple logic inverter does not require the use of any resistors to bias the transistors: it is completely self-contained and very easy to fabricate. Further, it is also characterized by very low power consumption, making it ideal for many portable consumer electronic applications.

Examples 11.8 and 11.9 illustrate a number of digital switch and gate applications of MOS technology. Example 11.8 explores a NMOS switch using the drain characteristic curves; Example 11.9 analyzes a digital logic gate built using CMOS technology.

### EXAMPLE 11.8 MOSFET Switch



#### Problem

Determine the operating points of the MOSFET switch of Figure 11.18 when the signal source output is equal to 0 and 2.5 V, respectively.

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Drain resistor;  $V_{DD}$ ; signal source output voltage as a function of time.

**Find:**  $Q$  point for each value of the signal source output voltage.

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $R_D = 125 \Omega$ ;  $V_{DD} = 10 \text{ V}$ ;  $v_{\text{signal}}(t) = 0 \text{ V}$  for  $t < 0$ ;  $v_{\text{signal}}(t) = 2.5 \text{ V}$  for  $t = 0$ .

**Assumptions:** Use the drain characteristic curves for the MOSFET (Figure 11.19).

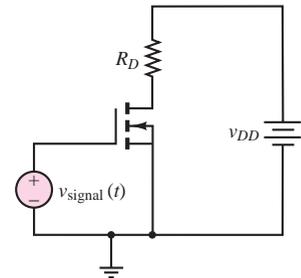


Figure 11.18

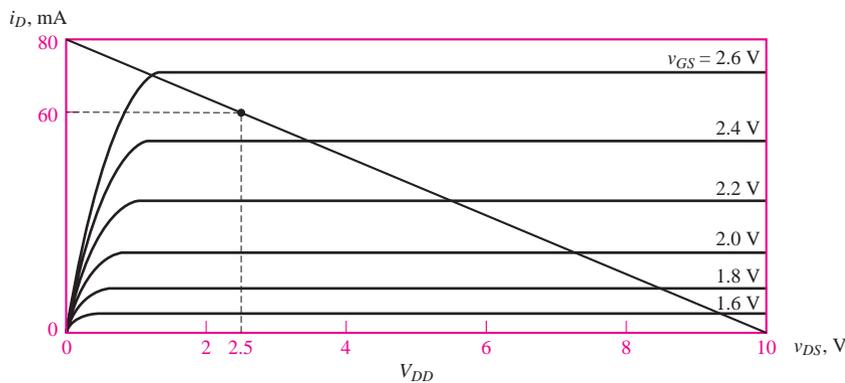


Figure 11.19 Drain curves for MOSFET of Figure 11.18

**Analysis:** We first draw the load line, using the drain circuit equation

$$V_{DD} = R_D i_D + v_{DS} \quad 10 = 125 i_D + v_{DS}$$

recognizing a  $v_{DS}$  axis intercept at 10 V and an  $i_D$  axis intercept at  $10/125 = 80 \text{ mA}$ .

1.  $t < 0 \text{ s}$ . When the signal source output is zero, the gate voltage is zero and the MOSFET is in the cutoff region. The  $Q$  point is

$$v_{GSQ} = 0 \text{ V} \quad i_{DQ} = 0 \text{ mA} \quad v_{DSQ} = 10 \text{ V}$$

2.  $t \geq 0$  s. When the signal source output is 2.5 V, the gate voltage is 2.5 V and the MOSFET is in the saturation region. The  $Q$  point is

$$v_{GSQ} = 0 \text{ V} \quad i_{DQ} = 60 \text{ mA} \quad v_{DSQ} = 2.5 \text{ V}$$

This result satisfies the drain equation, since  $R_D i_D = 0.06 \times 125 = 7.5 \text{ V}$ .

**Comments:** The simple MOSFET configuration shown can quite effectively serve as a switch, conducting 60 mA when the gate voltage is switched to 2.5 V.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

What value of  $R_D$  would ensure a drain-to-source voltage  $v_{DS}$  of 5 V in the circuit of Example 11.8?

Answer: 62.5  $\Omega$

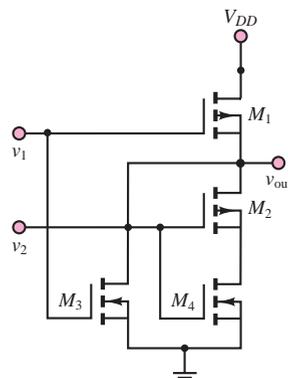


## EXAMPLE 11.9 CMOS Gate

### Problem

Determine the logic function implemented by the CMOS gate of Figure 11.20. Use the table below to summarize the behavior of the circuit.

$v_1$	$v_2$	State of $M_1$	State of $M_2$	State of $M_3$	State of $M_4$	$v_{\text{out}}$
0 V	0 V					
0 V	5 V					
5 V	0 V					
5 V	5 V					



The transistors in this circuit show the substrate for each transistor connected to its respective gate. In a true CMOS IC, the substrates for the  $p$ -channel transistors are connected to 5 V and the substrates of the  $n$ -channel transistors are connected to ground.

Figure 11.20

**Solution**

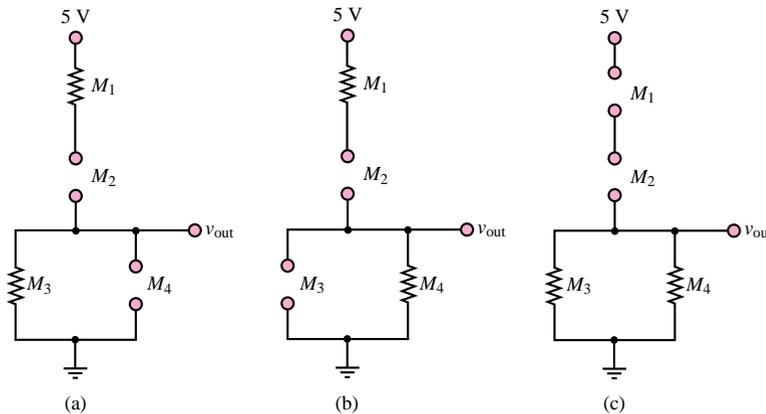
**Find:**  $v_{out}$  for each of the four combinations of  $v_1$  and  $v_2$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $V_T = 1.7\text{ V}$ ;  $V_{DD} = 5\text{ V}$ .

**Assumptions:** Treat the MOSFETs as open circuits when off and as linear resistors when on.

**Analysis:**

- $v_1 = v_2 = 0\text{ V}$ . With both input voltages equal to zero, neither  $M_3$  nor  $M_4$  can conduct, since the gate voltage is less than the threshold voltage for both transistors. Both  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  will similarly be off, and no current will flow through the drain-source circuits of  $M_1$  and  $M_2$ . Thus,  $v_{out} = V_{DD} = 5\text{ V}$ . This condition is depicted in Figure 11.21.
- $v_1 = 5\text{ V}$ ;  $v_2 = 0\text{ V}$ . Now  $M_2$  and  $M_4$  are off because of the zero gate voltage, while  $M_1$  and  $M_3$  are on. Figure 11.22(a) depicts this condition. Thus,  $v_{out} = 0$ .
- $v_1 = 5\text{ V}$ ;  $v_2 = 0\text{ V}$ . By symmetry with case 2, we conclude that  $v_{out} = 0$ .
- $v_1 = 5\text{ V}$ ;  $v_2 = 5\text{ V}$ . Now both  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  are open circuits, and therefore  $v_{out} = 0$ .



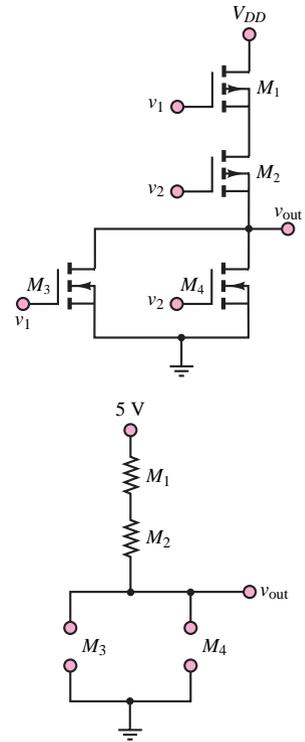
**Figure 11.22**

These results are summarized in the table below. The output voltage for case 4 is sufficiently close to zero to be considered zero for logic purposes.

$v_1$	$v_2$	$M_1$	$M_2$	$M_3$	$M_4$	$v_{out}$
0 V	0 V	On	On	On	Off	5 V
0 V	5 V	On	Off	Off	Off	0 V
5 V	0 V	Off	On	Off	On	0 V
5 V	5 V	Off	Off	On	On	0 V

Thus, the gate is a NOR gate.

**Comments:** While exact analysis of CMOS gate circuits could be tedious and involved, the method demonstrated in this example—to determine whether transistors are on or off—leads to very simple analysis. Since in logic devices one is interested primarily in logic levels and not in exact values, this approximate analysis method is very appropriate.



With both  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  at 0 V,  $M_3$  and  $M_4$  will be turned off (in cutoff), since  $v_{GS}$  is less than  $V_T$  ( $0\text{ V} < 1.7\text{ V}$ ). Both  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  will be turned on, since the gate-to-source voltages will be greater than  $V_T$ .

**Figure 11.21**

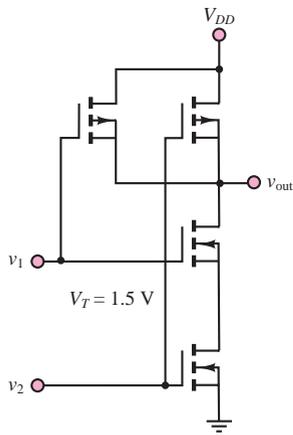


Figure 11.23 CMOS gate

CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Analyze the CMOS gate of Figure 11.23 and find the output voltages for the following conditions: (a)  $v_1 = 0, v_2 = 0$ ; (b)  $v_1 = 5 \text{ V}, v_2 = 0$ ; (c)  $v_1 = 0, v_2 = 5 \text{ V}$ ; (d)  $v_1 = 5 \text{ V}, v_2 = 5 \text{ V}$ . Identify the logic function accomplished by the circuit.

NAND gate		
v <sub>1</sub>	v <sub>2</sub>	v <sub>out</sub>
0	0	5
5	0	5
0	5	5
5	5	0

Answer:

Analog Switches

A common form of analog gate employs a FET and takes advantage of the fact that current can flow in either direction in a FET biased in the ohmic region. Recall that the drain characteristic of the MOSFET discussed in Section 11.2 consists of three regions: ohmic, active, and breakdown. A MOSFET amplifier is operated in the active region, where the drain current is nearly constant for any given value of  $v_{GS}$ . On the other hand, a MOSFET biased in the ohmic state acts very much as a linear resistor. For example, for an  $n$ -channel enhancement MOSFET, the conditions for the transistor to be in the ohmic region are

$$v_{GS} > V_T \quad \text{and} \quad |v_{DS}| \leq \frac{1}{4}(v_{GS} - V_T) \tag{11.13}$$

As long as the FET is biased within these conditions, it acts simply as a linear resistor, and it can conduct current in either direction (provided that  $v_{DS}$  does not exceed the limits stated in equation 11.13). In particular, the resistance of the channel in the ohmic region is found to be

$$r_{DS} = \frac{1}{2K(v_{GS} - V_T)} \tag{11.14}$$

so that the drain current is equal to

$$i_D \approx \frac{v_{DS}}{r_{DS}} \quad \text{for} \quad |v_{DS}| \leq \frac{1}{4}(v_{GS} - V_T) \quad \text{and} \quad v_{GS} > V_T \tag{11.15}$$

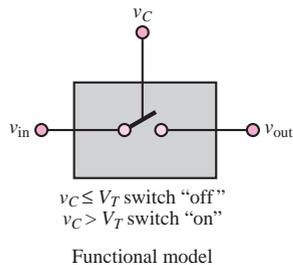
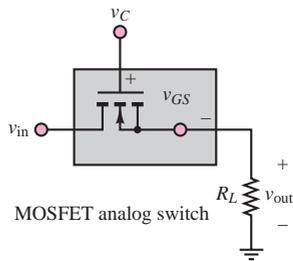


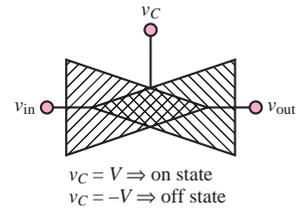
Figure 11.24 MOSFET analog switch

The most important feature of the MOSFET operating in the ohmic region, then, is that it acts as a voltage-controlled resistor, with the gate-source voltage  $v_{GS}$  controlling the channel resistance  $R_{DS}$ . The use of the MOSFET as a switch in the ohmic region, then, consists of providing a gate-source voltage that can either hold the MOSFET in the cutoff region ( $v_{GS} \leq V_T$ ) or bring it into the ohmic region. In this fashion,  $v_{GS}$  acts as a control voltage for the transistor.

Consider the circuit shown in Figure 11.24, where we presume that  $v_C$  can be varied externally and that  $v_{in}$  is some analog signal source that we may wish to connect to the load  $R_L$  at some appropriate time. The operation of the switch is as follows. When  $v_C \leq V_T$ , the FET is in the cutoff region and acts as an open circuit.

When  $v_C > V_T$  (with a value of  $v_{GS}$  such that the MOSFET is in the ohmic region), the transistor acts as a linear resistance  $R_{DS}$ . If  $R_{DS} \ll R_L$ , then  $v_{out} \approx v_{in}$ . By using a pair of MOSFETs, it is possible to improve the dynamic range of signals one can transmit through this analog gate.

MOSFET analog switches are usually produced in integrated-circuit (IC) form and denoted by the symbol shown in Figure 11.25.



**Figure 11.25** Symbol for bilateral FET analog gate

## Conclusion

This chapter has introduced field-effect transistors, focusing primarily on metal-oxide semiconductor enhancement-mode  $n$ -channel devices to explain the operation of FETs as amplifiers. A brief introduction to  $p$ -channel devices is used as the basis to introduce CMOS technology, and to present analog and digital switches and logic gate applications of MOSFETs. Upon completing this chapter, you should have mastered the following learning objectives:

1. *Understand the classification of field-effect transistors.* FETs include three major families; the enhancement-mode family is the most commonly used and is the one explored in this chapter. Depletion-mode and junction FETs are only mentioned briefly.
2. *Learn the basic operation of enhancement-mode MOSFETs by understanding their  $i-v$  curves and defining equations.* MOSFETs can be described by the  $i-v$  drain characteristic curves, and by a set of nonlinear equations linking the drain current to the gate-to-source and drain-to-source voltages. MOSFETs can operate in one of four regions: *cutoff*, in which the transistor does not conduct current; *triode*, in which the transistor can act as a voltage-controlled resistor under certain conditions; *saturation*, in which the transistor acts as a voltage-controlled current source and can be used as an amplifier; and *breakdown* when the limits of operation are exceeded.
3. *Learn how enhancement-mode MOSFET circuits are biased.* MOSFET circuits can be biased to operate around a certain operating point, known as the  $Q$  point, by appropriately selecting supply voltages and resistors.
4. *Understand the concept and operation of FET large-signal amplifiers.* Once a MOSFET circuit is properly biased in the saturation region, it can serve as an amplifier by virtue of its voltage-controlled current source property: small changes in the gate-to-source voltages are translated to proportional changes in drain current.
5. *Understand the concept and operation of FET switches.* MOSFETs can serve as analog and digital switches: by controlling the gate voltage, a MOSFET can be turned on and off (digital switch), or its resistance can be modulated (analog switch).
6. *Analyze FET switches and digital gates.* These devices find application in CMOS circuits as digital logic gates and analog transmission gates.

## HOMEWORK PROBLEMS

### Section 11.2: OVERVIEW OF ENHANCEMENT-MODE MOSFETS

### Section 11.3: BIASING MOSFET CIRCUITS

**11.1** The transistors shown in Figure P11.1 have  $|V_T| = 3$  V. Determine the operating region.

**11.2** The three terminals of an  $n$ -channel

enhancement-mode MOSFET are at potentials of 4, 5, and 10 V with respect to ground. Draw the circuit symbol, with the appropriate voltages at each terminal, if the device is operating

- a. In the ohmic region
- b. In the active region

**11.3** An enhancement-type NMOS transistor with  $V_T = 2$  V has its source grounded and a 3-V DC source connected to the gate. Determine the

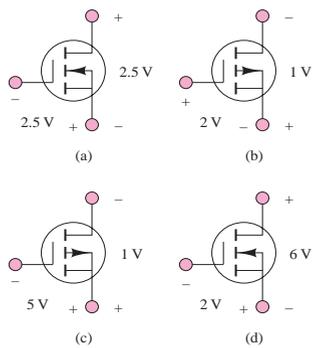


Figure P11.1

operating state if

- $v_D = 0.5 \text{ V}$
- $v_D = 1 \text{ V}$
- $v_D = 5 \text{ V}$

- 11.4** In the circuit shown in Figure P11.4, the  $p$ -channel transistor has  $V_T = 2 \text{ V}$  and  $K = 10 \text{ mA/V}^2$ . Find  $R$  and  $v_D$  for  $i_D = 0.4 \text{ mA}$ .

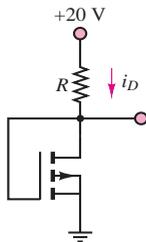


Figure P11.4

- 11.5** An enhancement-type NMOS transistor has  $V_T = 2 \text{ V}$  and  $i_D = 1 \text{ mA}$  when  $v_{GS} = v_{DS} = 3 \text{ V}$ . Find the value of  $i_D$  for  $v_{GS} = 4 \text{ V}$ .
- 11.6** An  $n$ -channel enhancement-mode MOSFET is operated in the ohmic region, with  $v_{DS} = 0.4 \text{ V}$  and  $V_T = 3.2 \text{ V}$ . The effective resistance of the channel is given by  $R_{DS} = 500/(V_{GS} - 3.2) \Omega$ . Find  $i_D$  when  $v_{GS} = 5 \text{ V}$ ,  $R_{DS} = 500 \Omega$ , and  $v_{GD} = 4 \text{ V}$ .
- 11.7** An enhancement-type NMOS transistor with  $V_T = 2.5 \text{ V}$  has its source grounded and a 4-V DC source connected to the gate. Find the operating region of the device if
- $v_D = 0.5 \text{ V}$
  - $v_D = 1.5 \text{ V}$
- 11.8** An enhancement-type NMOS transistor has  $V_T = 4 \text{ V}$  and  $i_D = 1 \text{ mA}$  when  $v_{GS} = v_{DS} = 6 \text{ V}$ . Neglecting the dependence of  $i_D$  on  $v_{DS}$  in saturation, find the value of  $i_D$  for  $v_{GS} = 5 \text{ V}$ .

- 11.9** The NMOS transistor shown in Figure P11.9 has  $V_T = 1.5 \text{ V}$  and  $K = 0.4 \text{ mA/V}^2$ . If  $v_G$  is a pulse with 0 to 5 V, find the voltage levels of the pulse signal at the drain output.

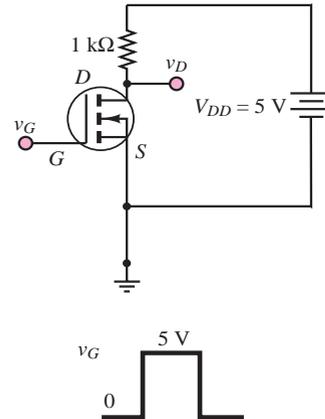


Figure P11.9

- 11.10** In the circuit shown in Figure P11.10, a drain voltage of 0.1 V is established. Find the current  $i_D$  for  $V_T = 1 \text{ V}$  and  $k = 0.5 \text{ mA/V}^2$ .

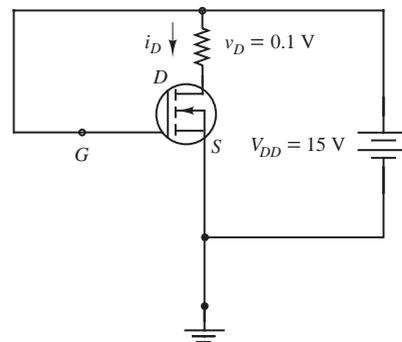


Figure P11.10

- 11.11** In the circuit shown in Figure P11.11, the MOSFET operates in the active region, for  $i_D = 0.5 \text{ mA}$  and  $v_D = 3 \text{ V}$ . This enhancement-type PMOS has  $V_T = -1 \text{ V}$ ,  $k = 0.5 \text{ mA/V}^2$ . Find
- $R_D$ .
  - The largest allowable value of  $R_D$  for the MOSFET to remain in the saturation region.
- 11.12** An enhancement-type MOSFET has the parameters  $k = 0.5 \text{ mA/V}^2$  and  $V_T = 1.5 \text{ V}$ , and the transistor is operated at  $v_{GS} = 3.5 \text{ V}$ . Find the drain current obtained at
- $v_{DS} = 3 \text{ V}$
  - $v_{DS} = 10 \text{ V}$

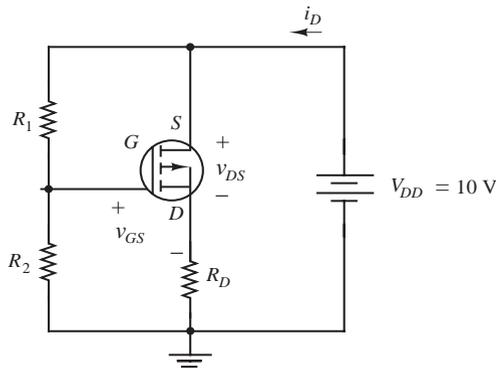
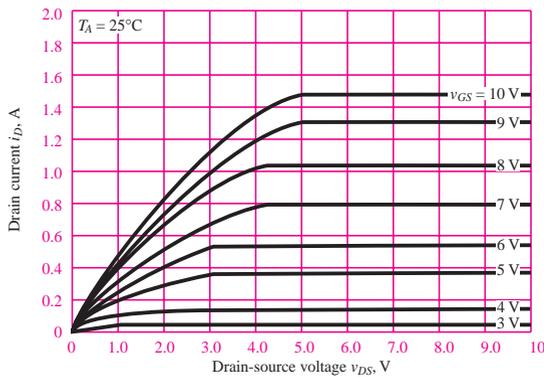


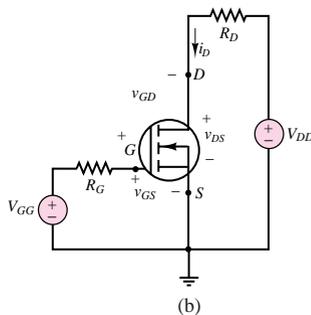
Figure P11.11

**Section 11.4: MOSFET LARGE-SIGNAL AMPLIFIERS**

**11.13** The  $i-v$  characteristic of an  $n$ -channel enhancement MOSFET is shown in Figure P11.13(a); a standard amplifier circuit based on the  $n$ -channel MOSFET is shown in Figure P11.13(b). Determine the quiescent current  $i_{DQ}$  and drain-to-source voltage  $v_{DS}$



(a)



(b)

Figure P11.13

if  $V_{GG} = 7\text{ V}$ ;  $V_{DD} = 10\text{ V}$ ; and  $R_D = 5\ \Omega$ . In what region is the transistor operating?

**11.14** Determine the  $Q$  point and operating region for the MOSFET in the circuit of Figure P11.13(b).  $V_{GG} = 7\text{ V}$ ;  $V_{DD} = 20\text{ V}$ ;  $V_T = 3\text{ V}$ ;  $K = 50\text{ mA/V}^2$ ;  $R_D = 5\ \Omega$ .

**11.15** Determine the  $Q$  point and operating region for the MOSFET in the circuit of Figure 11.9 in the text. Assume  $V_{DD} = 36\text{ V}$ ;  $R_D = 10\text{ k}\Omega$ ;  $R_1 = R_2 = 2\text{ M}\Omega$ ;  $V_T = 4\text{ V}$ ; and  $K = 0.1\text{ mA/V}^2$ . You will need to find  $R_S$ ,  $v_{DSQ}$ , and  $i_{DQ}$ .

**11.16** Determine  $v_{GS}$ ,  $v_{DS}$ , and  $i_D$  for the transistor amplifier of Figure 11.9 in the text. Assume  $V_{DD} = 12\text{ V}$ ;  $R_D = 10\text{ k}\Omega$ ;  $R_1 = R_2 = 2\text{ M}\Omega$ ;  $R_S = 10\text{ k}\Omega$ ;  $V_T = 1\text{ V}$ ;  $K = 1\text{ mA/V}^2$ .

**11.17** The power MOSFET circuit of Figure P11.17 is configured as a voltage-controlled current source. Let  $K = 1.5\text{ A/V}^2$  and  $V_T = 3\text{ V}$ .

- a. If  $V_G = 5\text{ V}$ , find the range of  $R_L$  for which the VCCS will operate.
- b. If  $R_L = 1\ \Omega$ , determine the range of  $V_G$  for which the VCCS will operate.

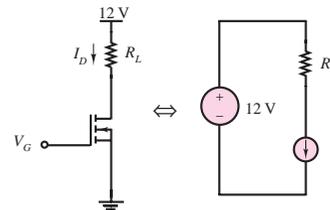


Figure P11.17

**11.18** The circuit of Figure P11.18 is called a *source follower*, and acts as a voltage-controlled current source (VCCS).

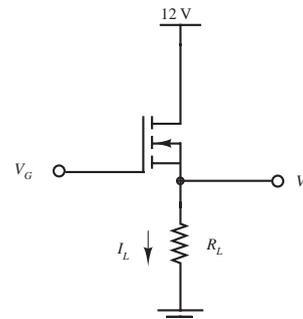
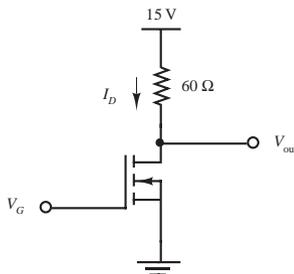


Figure P11.18

- Determine  $I_L$  if  $V_G = 10$  V,  $R_L = 2$   $\Omega$ ,  $K = 0.5$  A/V<sup>2</sup>,  $V_T = 4$  V.
- If the power rating of the MOSFET is 50 W, how small can  $R_L$  be?

**11.19** The circuit of Figure P11.19 is a Class A amplifier.

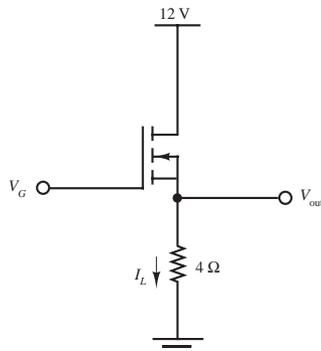
- Determine the output current for the given biased audio tone input,  $V_G = 10 + 0.1 \cos(500t)$  V. Let  $K = 2$  mA/V<sup>2</sup> and  $V_T = 3$  V.
- Determine the output voltage.
- Determine the voltage gain of the  $\cos(500t)$  signal.
- Determine the DC power consumption of the resistor and the MOSFET.



**Figure P11.19**

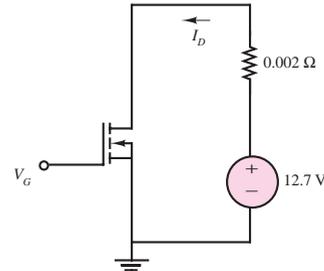
**11.20** The circuit of Figure P11.20 is a source-follower amplifier. Let  $K = 30$  mA/V<sup>2</sup>,  $V_T = 4$  V, and  $V_G = 9 + 0.1 \cos(500t)$  V.

- Determine the load current  $I_L$ .
- Determine the output voltage  $V_{out}$ .
- Determine the voltage gain for the  $\cos(500t)$  signal.
- Determine the DC power consumption of the MOSFET and  $R_L$ .



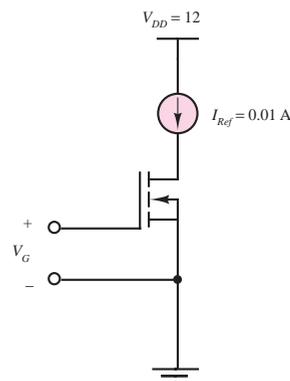
**Figure P11.20**

**11.21** Sometimes it is necessary to discharge batteries before recharging. To do this, an electronic load can be used. A high-power electronic load is shown in Figure P11.21, for the battery discharge application. With  $K = 4$  A/V<sup>2</sup>,  $V_T = 3$  V, and  $V_G = 8$  V, determine the discharging current  $I_D$  and the required MOSFET power rating.



**Figure P11.21**

**11.22** A precision voltage source can be created by driving the drain of a MOSFET. Figure P11.22 shows a circuit that will accomplish this function. With  $I_{Ref} = 0.01$  A, determine the output  $V_G$ . Let  $K = 0.006$  A/V<sup>2</sup> and  $V_T = 1.5$  V.



**Figure P11.22**

**11.23** To allow more current in a MOSFET amplifier, several MOSFETs can be connected in parallel. Determine the load current in each of the circuits of Figure P11.23. Let  $K = 0.2$  A/V<sup>2</sup> and  $V_T = 3$  V.

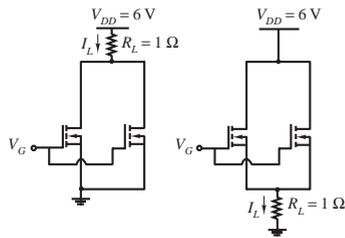


Figure P11.23

**11.24** A “push-pull amplifier” can be constructed from matched *n*- and *p*-channel MOSFETs, as shown in Figure P11.24. Let  $K_n = K_p = 0.5 \text{ A/V}^2$ ;  $V_{Tn} = +3 \text{ V}$ ;  $V_{Tp} = -3 \text{ V}$ ; and  $V_{in} = 0.8 \cos(1,000t) \text{ V}$ . Determine  $V_L$  and  $I_L$ .

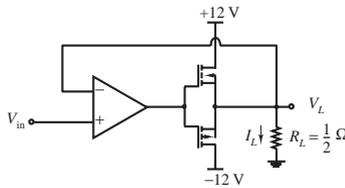


Figure P11.24

**11.25** Determine the  $V - I$  characteristics of the voltage-controlled resistance shown in the circuit of Figure P11.25.

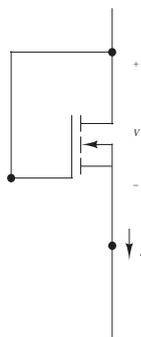


Figure P11.25

**11.26** Determine  $V_L$  and  $I_L$  for the two-stage amplifier shown in the circuit of Figure P11.26, with identical MOSFETs having  $K = 1 \text{ A/V}^2$  and  $V_T = 3\text{V}$ , for

- $V_G = 4 \text{ V}$ ,
- $V_G = 5 \text{ V}$
- $V_G = 4 + 0.1 \cos(750t)$

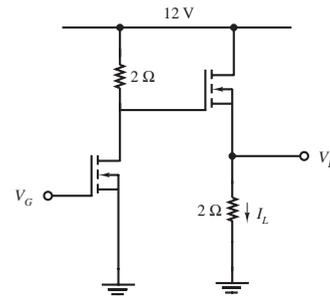


Figure P11.26

### Section 11.5: MOSFET Switches

**11.27** For the CMOS NAND gate of Figure 11.23 in the text identify the state of each transistor for  $v_1 = v_2 = 5 \text{ V}$ .

**11.28** Repeat Problem 11.27 for  $v_1 = 5 \text{ V}$  and  $v_2 = 0 \text{ V}$ .

**11.29** Draw the schematic diagram of a two-input CMOS OR gate.

**11.30** Draw the schematic diagram of a two-input CMOS AND gate.

**11.31** Draw the schematic diagram of a two-input CMOS NOR gate.

**11.32** Draw the schematic diagram of a two-input CMOS NAND gate.

**11.33** Show that the circuit of Figure P11.33 functions as a logic inverter.

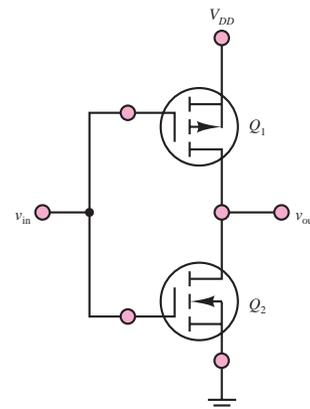
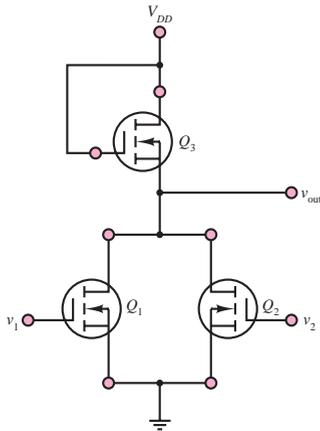


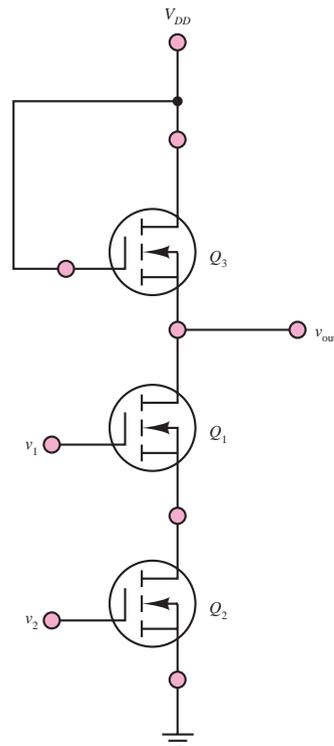
Figure P11.33

**11.34** Show that the circuit of Figure P11.34 functions as a NOR gate.



**Figure P11.34**

**11.35** Show that the circuit of Figure P11.35 functions as a NAND gate.



**Figure P11.35**

# C H A P T E R

# 12

## DIGITAL LOGIC CIRCUITS

**D**igital computers have taken a prominent place in engineering and science over the last three decades, performing a number of essential functions such as numerical computations and data acquisition. It is not necessary to further stress the importance of these electronic systems in this book, since you are already familiar with personal computers and programming languages. The objective of the chapter is to discuss the essential features of digital logic circuits, which are at the heart of digital computers, by presenting an introduction to *combinational logic circuits*.

The chapter starts with a discussion of the binary number system and continues with an introduction to boolean algebra. The self-contained treatment of boolean algebra will enable you to design simple logic functions using the techniques of combinational logic, and several practical examples are provided to demonstrate that even simple combinations of logic gates can serve to implement useful circuits in engineering practice. In a later section, we introduce a number of logic modules which can be described by using simple logic gates but which provide more advanced functions. Among these, we discuss read-only memories, multiplexers, and decoders. Finally,

we describe the operation of sequential logic modules, including flip-flops, counters, and registers. Throughout the chapter, simple examples are given to demonstrate the usefulness of digital logic circuits in various engineering applications.

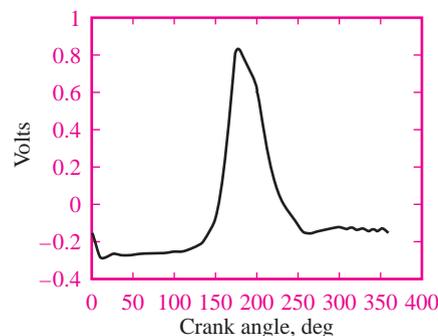
This chapter provides the background needed to address the study of digital systems. Upon completion of the chapter, you should be able to:

## Learning Objectives

1. Understand the concepts of analog and digital signals and of quantization. *Section 12.1.*
2. Convert between decimal and binary number systems and use the hexadecimal system and BCD and Gray codes. *Section 12.2.*
3. Write truth tables, and realize logic functions from truth tables by using logic gates. *Section 12.3.*
4. Systematically design logic functions using Karnaugh maps. *Section 12.4.*
5. Study various combinational logic modules, including multiplexers, memory and decoder elements, and programmable logic arrays. *Section 12.5.*
6. Analyze the operation of sequential logic circuits. *Section 12.6.*
7. Understand the operation of counters and registers. *Section 12.7.*

## 12.1 ANALOG AND DIGITAL SIGNALS

One of the fundamental distinctions in the study of electronic circuits (and in the analysis of any signals derived from physical measurements) is that between analog and digital signals. An **analog signal** is an electric signal whose value varies in analogy with a physical quantity (e.g., temperature, force, or acceleration). For example, a voltage proportional to a measured variable pressure or to a vibration naturally varies in an analog fashion. Figure 12.1 depicts an analog function of time  $f(t)$ . We note immediately that for each value of time  $t$ ,  $f(t)$  can take one value among any of the values in a given range. For example, in the case of the output voltage of an op-amp, we expect the signal to take any value between  $+V_{\text{sat}}$  and  $-V_{\text{sat}}$ , where  $V_{\text{sat}}$  is the supply-imposed saturation voltage.



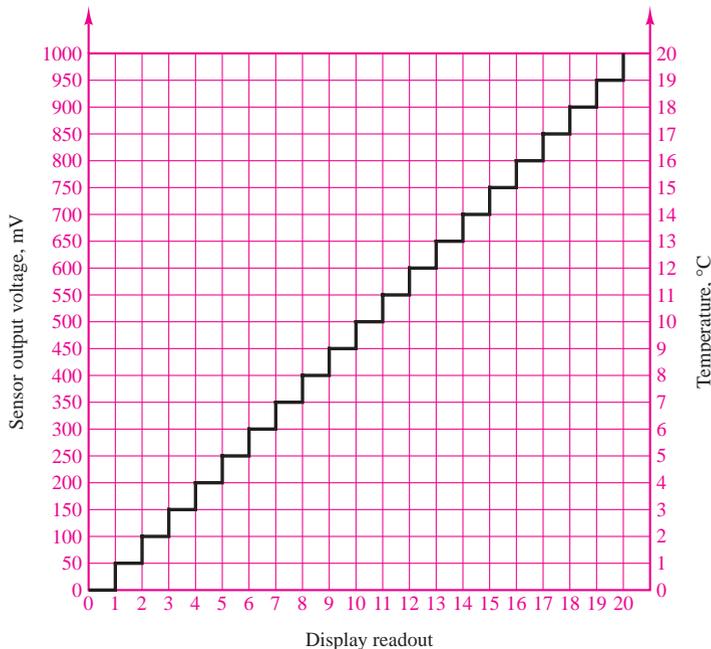
**Figure 12.1** Voltage analog of internal combustion engine in-cylinder pressure

A **digital signal**, on the other hand, can take only a *finite number of values*. This is an extremely important distinction, as will be shown shortly. An example of a digital signal is a signal that allows display of a temperature measurement on a digital readout. Let us hypothesize that the digital readout is three digits long and can display numbers from 0 to 100, and let us assume that the temperature sensor is correctly calibrated to measure temperatures from 0 to 100°C. Further, the output of the sensor ranges from 0 to 5 V, where 0 V corresponds to 0°C and 5 V to 100°C. Therefore, the calibration constant of the sensor is

$$k_T = \frac{100^\circ\text{C} - 0^\circ\text{C}}{5\text{ V} - 0\text{ V}} = 20^\circ\text{C}/\text{V}$$

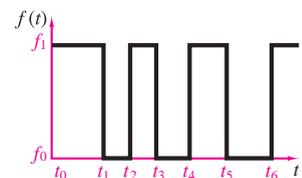
Clearly, the output of the sensor is an analog signal; however, the display can show only a finite number of readouts (101, to be precise). Because the display itself can only take a value out of a discrete set of states—the integers from 0 to 100—we call it a digital display, indicating that the variable displayed is expressed in digital form.

Now, each temperature on the display corresponds to a *range of voltages*: each digit on the display represents one-hundredth of the 5-V range of the sensor, or 0.05 V = 50 mV. Thus, the display will read 0 if the sensor voltage is between 0 and 49 mV, 1 if it is between 50 and 99 mV, and so on. Figure 12.2 depicts the staircase function relationship between the analog voltage and the digital readout. This **quantization** of the sensor output voltage is in effect an approximation. If one wished to know the temperature with greater precision, a greater number of display digits could be employed.



**Figure 12.2** Digital representation of an analog signal

The most common digital signals are binary signals. A **binary signal** is a signal that can take only one of two discrete values and is therefore characterized by transitions between two states. Figure 12.3 displays a typical binary signal. In binary



**Figure 12.3** A binary signal

arithmetic (which we discuss in Section 12.2), the two discrete values  $f_1$  and  $f_0$  are represented, respectively, by the numbers 1 and 0. In binary voltage waveforms, these values are represented by two voltage levels. For example, in the TTL convention (see Chapter 10), these values are (nominally) 5 and 0 V, respectively; in CMOS circuits, these values can vary substantially. Other conventions are also used, including reversing the assignment, for example, by letting a 0-V level represent a logic 1 and a 5-V level represent a logic 0. Note that in a binary waveform, knowledge of the transition between one state and another (e.g., from  $f_0$  to  $f_1$  at  $t = t_2$ ) is equivalent to knowledge of the state. Thus, digital logic circuits can operate by detecting transitions between voltage levels. The transitions are often called **edges** and can be positive ( $f_0$  to  $f_1$ ) or negative ( $f_1$  to  $f_0$ ). Virtually all the signals handled by a computer are binary. From here on, whenever we speak of digital signals, you may assume that the text is referring to signals of the binary type, unless otherwise indicated.



**Table 12.1** Conversion from decimal to binary

Decimal number $n_{10}$	Binary number $n_2$
0	0
1	1
2	10
3	11
4	100
5	101
6	110
7	111
8	1000
9	1001
10	1010
11	1011
12	1100
13	1101
14	1110
15	1111
16	10000

## 12.2 THE BINARY NUMBER SYSTEM

The binary number system is a natural choice for representing the behavior of circuits that operate in one of two states (on or off, 1 or 0, or the like). The diode and transistor gates and switches studied in Chapters 10 and 11 fall in this category. Table 12.1 shows the correspondence between decimal and binary number systems for base 10 integers up to 16.

Binary numbers are based on powers of 2, whereas the decimal system is based on powers of 10. For example, the number 372 in the decimal system can be expressed as

$$372 = (3 \times 10^2) + (7 \times 10^1) + (2 \times 10^0)$$

while the binary number 10110 corresponds to the following combination of powers of 2:

$$10110 = (1 \times 2^4) + (0 \times 2^3) + (1 \times 2^2) + (1 \times 2^1) + (0 \times 2^0)$$

It is relatively simple to see the correspondence between the two number systems if we add the terms on the right-hand side of the previous expression. Let  $n_2$  represent the number  $n$  **base 2** (i.e., in the binary system), and let  $n_{10}$  be the same number **base 10**. Then our notation will be as follows:

$$10110_2 = 16 + 0 + 4 + 2 + 0 = 22_{10}$$

Note that a fractional number can also be similarly represented. For example, the number 3.25 in the decimal system may be represented as

$$3.25_{10} = 3 \times 10^0 + 2 \times 10^{-1} + 5 \times 10^{-2}$$

while in the binary system the number 10.011 corresponds to

$$\begin{aligned} 10.011_2 &= 1 \times 2^1 + 0 \times 2^0 + 0 \times 2^{-1} + 1 \times 2^{-2} + 1 \times 2^{-3} \\ &= 2 + 0 + 0 + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} = 2.375_{10} \end{aligned}$$

Table 12.1 shows that it takes four binary digits, also called **bits**, to represent the base 10 integers up to 15. Usually, the rightmost bit is called the **least significant bit**, or **LSB**, and the leftmost bit is called the **most significant bit**, or **MSB**. Since binary numbers clearly require a larger number of digits than base 10 integers do, the digits are usually grouped in sets of 4, 8, or 16. Four bits are usually termed a **nibble**, 8 bits is called a **byte**, and 16 bits (or 2 bytes) is a **word**.

**CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING**



Convert the following decimal numbers to binary form.

- a. 39                      b. 59
- c. 512                    d. 0.4475
- e.  $\frac{25}{32}$                     f. 0.796875
- g. 256.75                h. 129.5625
- i. 4,096.90625

Convert the following binary numbers to decimal.

- a. 1101                    b. 11011
- c. 10111                 d. 0.1011
- e. 0.001101             f. 0.001101101
- g. 111011.1011        h. 1011011.001101
- i. 10110.0101011101

Answers: (a) 10011, (b) 11011, (c) 10000000, (d) 0.0111010101, (e) 0.11001, (f) 0.110011, (g) 10000000.11, (h) 10000001.1001, (i) 100000000000.11101; (a) 13, (b) 27, (c) 23, (d) 0.6875, (e) 0.203125, (f) 0.212890625, (g) 59.6875, (h) 91.203125, (i) 22.340820312

**Addition and Subtraction**



The operations of addition and subtraction are based on the simple rules shown in Table 12.2. Note that, just as is done in the decimal system, a carry is generated whenever the sum of two digits exceeds the largest single-digit number in the given number system, which is 1 in the binary system. The carry is treated exactly as in the decimal system. A few examples of binary addition are shown in Figure 12.4, with their decimal counterparts.

**Table 12.2** Rules for addition

0 + 0 = 0
0 + 1 = 1
1 + 0 = 1
1 + 1 = 0 (with a carry of 1)

Decimal	Binary	Decimal	Binary	Decimal	Binary
5	101	15	1111	3.25	11.01
+6	+110	+20	+10100	+5.75	+101.11
11	1011	35	100011	9.00	1001.00

(Note that in this example,  $3.25 = 3\frac{1}{4}$  and  $5.75 = 5\frac{3}{4}$ .)

**Figure 12.4** Examples of binary addition

The procedure for subtracting binary numbers is based on the rules of Table 12.3. A few examples of binary subtraction are given in Figure 12.5, with their decimal counterparts.



**Table 12.3** Rules for subtraction

0 - 0 = 0
1 - 0 = 1
1 - 1 = 0
0 - 1 = 1 (with a borrow of 1)

Decimal	Binary	Decimal	Binary	Decimal	Binary
9	1001	16	10000	6.25	110.01
-5	-101	-3	-11	-4.50	-100.10
4	0100	13	01101	1.75	001.11

**Figure 12.5** Examples of binary subtraction



### CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Perform the following additions and subtractions. Express the answer in decimal form for (a) through (d) and in binary form for (e) through (h).

- a.  $1001.1_2 + 1011.01_2$
- b.  $100101_2 + 100101_2$
- c.  $0.1011_2 + 0.1101_2$
- d.  $1011.01_2 + 1001.11_2$
- e.  $64_{10} - 32_{10}$
- f.  $127_{10} - 63_{10}$
- g.  $93.5_{10} - 42.75_{10}$
- h.  $(84\frac{9}{32})_{10} - (48\frac{5}{16})_{10}$

Answers: (a) 20.75<sub>10</sub>, (b) 74<sub>10</sub>, (c) 1.5<sub>10</sub>, (d) 21<sub>10</sub>, (e) 10000<sub>2</sub>, (f) 100000<sub>2</sub>, (g) 110010.11<sub>2</sub>, (h) 100011.1111<sub>2</sub>

### Multiplication and Division

Whereas in the decimal system the multiplication table consists of  $10^2 = 100$  entries, in the binary system we only have  $2^2 = 4$  entries. Table 12.4 represents the complete multiplication table for the binary number system.

Division in the binary system is also based on rules analogous to those of the decimal system, with the two basic laws given in Table 12.5. Once again, we need be concerned with only two cases, and just as in the decimal system, division by zero is not contemplated.

**Table 12.4** Rules for multiplication



$0 \times 0 = 0$
$0 \times 1 = 0$
$1 \times 0 = 0$
$1 \times 1 = 1$

**Table 12.5** Rules for division



$0 \div 1 = 0$
$1 \div 1 = 1$

### Conversion from Decimal to Binary

The conversion of a decimal number to its binary equivalent is performed by successive division of the decimal number by 2, checking for the remainder each time. Figure 12.6 illustrates this idea with an example. The result obtained in Figure 12.6 may be easily verified by performing the opposite conversion, from binary to decimal:

$$110001 = 2^5 + 2^4 + 2^0 = 32 + 16 + 1 = 49$$

The same technique can be used for converting decimal fractional numbers to their binary form, provided that the whole number is separated from the fractional part and each is converted to binary form (separately), with the results added at the end. Figure 12.7 outlines this procedure by converting the number 37.53 to binary form. The procedure is outlined in two steps. First, the integer part is converted; then, to convert the fractional part, one simple technique consists of multiplying the decimal fraction by 2 in successive stages. If the result exceeds 1, a 1 is needed to the right of the binary fraction being formed (100101 . . . , in our example). Otherwise, a 0 is added. This procedure is continued until no fractional terms are left. In this case, the decimal part is 0.53<sub>10</sub>, and Figure 12.7 illustrates the succession of calculations. Stopping the procedure outlined in Figure 12.7 after 11 digits results in the following approximation:

$$37.53_{10} = 100101.10000111101$$

Remainder
$49 \div 2 = 24 + 1$
$24 \div 2 = 12 + 0$
$12 \div 2 = 6 + 0$
$6 \div 2 = 3 + 0$
$3 \div 2 = 1 + 1$
$1 \div 2 = 0 + 1$
$49_{10} = 110001_2$

**Figure 12.6** Example of conversion from decimal to binary

Greater precision could be attained by continuing to add binary digits, at the expense of added complexity. Note that an infinite number of binary digits may be required to represent a decimal number *exactly*.

## Complements and Negative Numbers

To simplify the operation of subtraction in digital computers, **complements** are used almost exclusively. In practice, this corresponds to replacing the operation  $X - Y$  with the operation  $X + (-Y)$ . This procedure results in considerable simplification, since the computer hardware need include only adding circuitry. Two types of complements are used with binary numbers: the **ones complement** and the **twos complement**.

The ones complement of an  $n$ -bit binary number is obtained by subtracting the number itself from  $2^n - 1$ . Two examples are as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} a &= 0101 \\ \text{Ones complement of } a &= (2^4 - 1) - a \\ &= (1111) - (0101) \\ &= 1010 \\ b &= 101101 \\ \text{Ones complement of } b &= (2^6 - 1) - b \\ &= (111111) - (101101) \\ &= 010010 \end{aligned}$$

The twos complement of an  $n$ -bit binary number is obtained by subtracting the number itself from  $2^n$ . Twos complements of the same numbers  $a$  and  $b$  used in the preceding illustration are computed as follows:

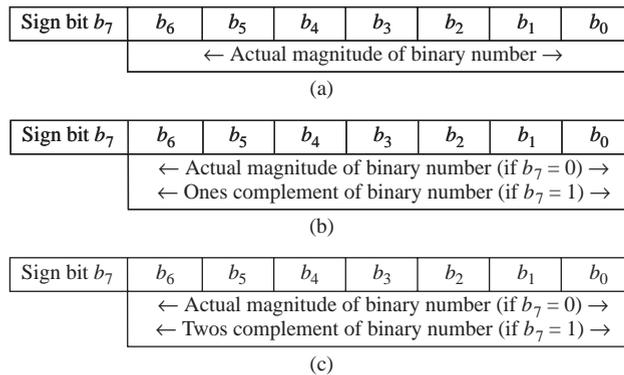
$$\begin{aligned} a &= 0101 \\ \text{Twos complement of } a &= 2^4 - a \\ &= (10000) - (0101) \\ &= 1011 \\ b &= 101101 \\ \text{Twos complement of } b &= 2^6 - b \\ &= (1000000) - (101101) \\ &= 010011 \end{aligned}$$

A simple rule that may be used to obtain the twos complement directly from a binary number is the following: Starting at the least significant (rightmost) bit, copy each bit *until the first 1 has been copied*, and then replace each successive 1 by a 0 and each 0 by a 1. You may wish to try this rule on the two previous examples to verify that it is much easier to use than subtraction from  $2^n$ .

Different conventions exist in the binary system to represent whether a number is negative or positive. One convention, called the **sign-magnitude convention**, makes use of a *sign bit*, usually positioned at the beginning of the number, for which a value of 1 represents a minus sign and a value of 0 represents a plus sign. Thus, an 8-bit binary number would consist of 1 sign bit followed by 7 *magnitude bits*, as shown in Figure 12.8(a). In a digital system that uses 8-bit signed integer words, we

Remainder
$37 \div 2 = 18 + 1$
$18 \div 2 = 9 + 0$
$9 \div 2 = 4 + 1$
$4 \div 2 = 2 + 0$
$2 \div 2 = 1 + 0$
$1 \div 2 = 0 + 1$
$37_{10} = 100101_2$
$2 \times 0.53 = 1.06 \rightarrow 1$
$2 \times 0.06 = 0.12 \rightarrow 0$
$2 \times 0.12 = 0.24 \rightarrow 0$
$2 \times 0.24 = 0.48 \rightarrow 0$
$2 \times 0.48 = 0.96 \rightarrow 0$
$2 \times 0.96 = 1.92 \rightarrow 1$
$2 \times 0.92 = 1.84 \rightarrow 1$
$2 \times 0.84 = 1.68 \rightarrow 1$
$2 \times 0.68 = 1.36 \rightarrow 1$
$2 \times 0.36 = 0.72 \rightarrow 0$
$2 \times 0.72 = 1.44 \rightarrow 1$
$0.53_{10} = 0.10000111101_2$

**Figure 12.7** Conversion from decimal to binary



**Figure 12.8** (a) An 8-bit sign-magnitude binary number; (b) an 8-bit ones complement binary number; (c) an 8-bit twos complement binary number

could represent integer numbers (decimal) in the range

$$-(2^7 - 1) \leq N \leq +(2^7 - 1)$$

or

$$-127 \leq N \leq +127$$

A second convention uses the ones complement notation. In this convention, a sign bit is also used to indicate whether the number is positive (sign bit = 0) or negative (sign bit = 1). However, the magnitude of the binary number is represented by the true magnitude if the number is positive and by its *ones complement* if the number is negative. Figure 12.8(b) illustrates the convention. For example, the number  $91_{10}$  would be represented by the 7-bit binary number  $1011011_2$  with a leading 0 (the sign bit):  $01011011_2$ . On the other hand, the number  $-91_{10}$  would be represented by the 7-bit ones complement binary number  $0100100_2$  with a leading 1 (the sign bit):  $10100100_2$ .

Most digital computers use the twos complement convention in performing integer arithmetic operations. The twos complement convention represents positive numbers by a sign bit of 0, followed by the true binary magnitude; negative numbers are represented by a sign bit of 1, *followed by the twos complement of the binary number*, as shown in Figure 12.8(c). The advantage of the twos complement convention is that the algebraic sum of twos complement binary numbers is carried out very simply by adding the two numbers *including the sign bit*. Example 12.1 illustrates twos complement addition.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

How many possible numbers can be represented in a 12-bit word?

If we use an 8-bit word with a sign bit (7 magnitude bits plus 1 sign bit) to represent voltages  $-5$  and  $+5$  V, what is the smallest increment of voltage that can be represented?

## EXAMPLE 12.1 Twos Complement Operations



### Problem

Perform the following subtractions, using twos complement arithmetic.

1.  $X - Y = 1011100 - 1110010$
2.  $X - Y = 10101111 - 01110011$

### Solution

**Analysis:** The twos complement subtractions are performed by replacing the operation  $X - Y$  with the operation  $X + (-Y)$ . Thus, we first find the twos complement of  $Y$  and add the result to  $X$  in each of the two cases:

$$\begin{aligned} X - Y &= 1011100 - 1110010 = 1011100 + (2^7 - 1110010) \\ &= 1011100 + 0001110 = 1101010 \end{aligned}$$

Next, we add the *sign bit* (in boldface type) in front of each number (1 in first case since the difference  $X - Y$  is a negative number):

$$X - Y = \mathbf{1}1101010$$

Repeating for the second subtraction gives

$$\begin{aligned} X - Y &= 10101111 - 01110011 = 10101111 + (2^8 - 01110011) \\ &= 10101111 + 10001101 = 00111100 \\ &= \mathbf{0}00111100 \end{aligned}$$

where the first digit is a 0 because  $X - Y$  is a positive number.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Find the twos complement of the following binary numbers.

- a. 11101001
- b. 10010111
- c. 1011110

Answers: (a) 00010111, (b) 01101001, (c) 0100010

## The Hexadecimal System

It should be apparent by now that representing numbers in base-2 and base-10 systems is purely a matter of convenience, given a specific application. Another base frequently used is the **hexadecimal system**, a direct derivation of the binary number system. In the hexadecimal (or hex) code, the bits in a binary number are subdivided into groups of 4. Since there are 16 possible combinations for a 4-bit number, the natural digits in the decimal system (0 through 9) are insufficient to represent a hex digit. To solve this



**Table 12.6** Hexa-  
decimal code

0	0000
1	0001
2	0010
3	0011
4	0100
5	0101
6	0110
7	0111
8	1000
9	1001
A	1010
B	1011
C	1100
D	1101
E	1110
F	1111

problem, the first six letters of the alphabet are used, as shown in Table 12.6. Thus, in hex code, an 8-bit word corresponds to just two digits; for example,

$$1010\ 0111_2 = A7_{16}$$

$$0010\ 1001_2 = 29_{16}$$

### Binary Codes

In this subsection, we describe two common binary codes that are often used for practical reasons. The first is a method of representing decimal numbers in digital logic circuits that is referred to as **binary-coded decimal**, or **BCD representation**. In effect, the simplest BCD representation is just a sequence of 4-bit binary numbers that stops after the first 10 entries, as shown in Table 12.7. There are also other BCD codes, all reflecting the same principle: Each decimal digit is represented by a fixed-length binary word. One should realize that although this method is attractive because of its direct correspondence with the decimal system, it is not efficient. Consider, for example, the decimal number 68. Its binary representation by direct conversion is the 7-bit number 1000100. However, the corresponding BCD representation would require 8 bits:

$$68_{10} = 01101000_{\text{BCD}}$$

**Table 12.7** BCD code

0	0000
1	0001
2	0010
3	0011
4	0100
5	0101
6	0110
7	0111
8	1000
9	1001



**Table 12.8** Three-bit Gray code

Binary	Gray
000	000
001	001
010	011
011	010
100	110
101	111
110	101
111	100



Another code that finds many applications is the **Gray code**. This is simply a reshuffling of the binary code with the property that any two consecutive numbers differ only by 1 bit. Table 12.8 illustrates the 3-bit Gray code. The Gray code can be very useful in practical applications, because in counting up or down according to this code, the binary representation of a number changes only 1 bit at a time.



### EXAMPLE 12.2 Conversion from Binary to Hexadecimal

#### Problem

Convert the following binary numbers to hexadecimal form.

- 100111
- 1011101
- 11001101
- 101101111001
- 100110110
- 1101011011

### Solution

**Analysis:** A simple method for binary to hexadecimal conversion consists of grouping each binary number into 4-bit groups and then performing the conversion for each 4-bit word following Table 12.6:

1.  $100111_2 = 0010_20111_2 = 27_{16}$
2.  $1011101_2 = 0101_21101_2 = 5D_{16}$
3.  $11001101_2 = 1100_21101_2 = CD_{16}$
4.  $101101111001_2 = 1011_20111_21001_2 = B79_{16}$
5.  $100110110_2 = 0001_20011_20100_2 = 136_{16}$
6.  $1101011011_2 = 0011_20101_21011_2 = 35B_{16}$

**Comments:** Note that we start grouping always from the right-hand side. The reverse process is equally easy: To convert from hexadecimal to binary, replace each hexadecimal number with the equivalent 4-bit binary word.

### CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Convert the following numbers from hexadecimal to binary or from binary to hexadecimal.

- a. F83
- b. 3C9
- c. A6
- d.  $110101110_2$
- e.  $10111001_2$
- f.  $11011101101_2$

Convert the following numbers from hexadecimal to binary, and find their twos complements.

- a. F43
- b. 2B9
- c. A6

Answers: (a) 1111000011, (b) 00111001001, (c) 10100110, (d) 1AE, (e) B9, (f) 6ED  
(a) 0000 1011 1101, (b) 0001 0100 0111, (c) 0101 1010

## 12.3 BOOLEAN ALGEBRA

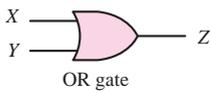
The mathematics associated with the binary number system (and with the more general field of logic) is called *boolean*, in honor of the English mathematician George Boole, who published a treatise in 1854 entitled *An Investigation of the Laws of Thought, on Which Are Founded the Mathematical Theories of Logic and Probabilities*. The development of a *logical algebra*, as Boole called it, is one of the results of his investigations. The variables in a boolean, or logic, expression can take only one of two values, usually represented by the numbers 0 and 1. These variables are sometimes referred to as true (1) and false (0). This convention is normally referred to as **positive logic**. There is also a **negative logic** convention in which the roles of logic 1 and logic 0 are reversed. In this book we employ only positive logic.

Analysis of **logic functions**, that is, functions of logical (boolean) variables, can be carried out in terms of truth tables. A truth table is a listing of all the possible

**Table 12.9** Rules for logical addition (OR)

$0 + 0 = 0$
$0 + 1 = 1$
$1 + 0 = 1$
$1 + 1 = 1$





X	Y	Z
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	1

Truth table

**Figure 12.9** Logical addition and the OR gate



values that each of the boolean variables can take, and of the corresponding value of the desired function. In the following paragraphs we define the basic logic functions upon which boolean algebra is founded, and we describe each in terms of a set of rules and a truth table; in addition, we introduce **logic gates**. Logic gates are physical devices (see Chapters 10 and 11) that can be used to implement logic functions.

### AND and OR Gates

The basis of **boolean algebra** lies in the operations of **logical addition**, or the **OR** operation; and **logical multiplication**, or the **AND** operation. Both of these find a correspondence in simple logic gates, as we shall presently illustrate. Logical addition, although represented by the symbol +, differs from conventional algebraic addition, as shown in the last rule listed in Table 12.9. Note that this rule also differs from the last rule of binary addition studied in Section 12.2. Logical addition can be represented by the logic gate called an **OR gate**, whose symbol and whose inputs and outputs are shown in Figure 12.9. The OR gate represents the following logical statement:

$$\text{If either } X \text{ or } Y \text{ is true (1), then } Z \text{ is true (1).} \quad \text{Logical OR} \quad (12.1)$$

This rule is embodied in the electronic gates discussed in Chapters 10 and 11, in which a logic 1 corresponds, say, to a 5-V signal and a logic 0 to a 0-V signal.

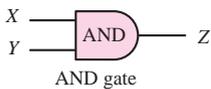
Logical multiplication is denoted by the center dot  $\cdot$  and is defined by the rules of Table 12.10. Figure 12.10 depicts the **AND gate**, which corresponds to this operation. The AND gate corresponds to the following logical statement:

$$\text{If both } X \text{ and } Y \text{ are true (1), then } Z \text{ is true (1).} \quad \text{Logical AND} \quad (12.2)$$

**Table 12.10** Rules for logical multiplication

(AND)

- $0 \cdot 0 = 0$
- $0 \cdot 1 = 0$
- $1 \cdot 0 = 0$
- $1 \cdot 1 = 1$



X	Y	Z
0	0	0
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1

Truth table

**Figure 12.10** Logical multiplication and the AND gate



One can easily envision logic gates (AND and OR) with an arbitrary number of inputs; three- and four-input gates are not uncommon.

The rules that define a logic function are often represented in tabular form by means of a **truth table**. Truth tables for the AND and OR gates are shown in Figures 12.9 and 12.10. A truth table is nothing more than a tabular summary of all possible outputs of a logic gate, given all possible input values. If the number of inputs is 3, the number of possible combinations grows from 4 to 8, but the basic idea is unchanged. Truth tables are very useful in defining logic functions. A typical logic design problem might specify requirements such as “the output Z shall be logic 1 only when the condition (X = 1 AND Y = 1) OR (W = 1) occurs, and shall be logic 0 otherwise.” The truth table for this particular logic function is shown in Figure 12.11 as an illustration. The design consists, then, of determining the combination of logic gates that exactly implements the required logic function. Truth tables can greatly simplify this procedure.

The AND and OR gates form the basis of all logic design in conjunction with the **NOT gate**. The NOT gate is essentially an inverter (which can be constructed by using bipolar or field-effect transistors, as discussed in Chapters 10 and 11, respectively), and it provides the complement of the logic variable connected to its input. The complement of a logic variable X is denoted by  $\bar{X}$ . The NOT gate has only one input, as shown in Figure 12.12.

To illustrate the use of the NOT gate, or inverter, we return to the design example of Figure 12.11, where we required that the output of a logic circuit be  $Z = 1$  only if  $X = 0$  AND  $Y = 1$  OR if  $W = 1$ . We recognize that except for the requirement  $X = 0$ , this problem would be identical if we stated it as follows: “The output Z shall be logic 1 only when the condition ( $\bar{X} = 1$  AND  $Y = 1$ ) OR ( $W = 1$ ) occurs, and

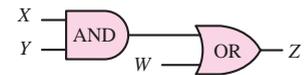
shall be logic 0 otherwise.” If we use an inverter to convert  $X$  to  $\bar{X}$ , we see that the required condition becomes  $(\bar{X} = 1 \text{ AND } Y = 1) \text{ OR } (W = 1)$ . The formal solution to this elementary design exercise is illustrated in Figure 12.13.

In the course of the discussion of logic gates, we make frequent use of truth tables to evaluate logic expressions. A set of basic rules will facilitate this task. Table 12.11 lists some of the rules of boolean algebra; each of these can be proved by using a truth table, as will be shown in examples and exercises. An example proof for rule 16 is given in Figure 12.14 in the form of a truth table. This technique can be employed to prove any of the laws of Table 12.11. From the simple truth table in Figure 12.14, which was obtained step by step, we can clearly see that indeed  $X \cdot (X + Y) = X$ . This methodology for proving the validity of logical equations is called **proof by perfect induction**. The 19 rules of Table 12.11 can be used to simplify logic expressions.

Logic gate realization of the statement “the output Z shall be logic 1 only when the condition  $(X = 1 \text{ AND } Y = 1) \text{ OR } (W = 1)$  occurs, and shall be logic 0 otherwise.”

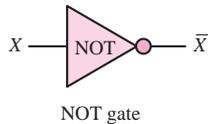
X	Y	W	Z
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	1
1	0	0	0
1	0	1	1
1	1	0	1
1	1	1	1

Truth table



Solution using logic gates

**Figure 12.11** Example of logic function implementation with logic gates



NOT gate

X	$\bar{X}$
1	0
0	1

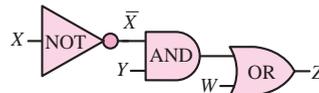
Truth table for NOT gate

**Figure 12.12** Complements and the NOT gate

X	$\bar{X}$	Y	W	Z
0	1	0	0	0
0	1	0	1	1
0	1	1	0	1
0	1	1	1	1
1	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	1	1
1	0	1	0	0
1	0	1	1	1

(Required logic function)

Truth table



Solution using logic gates

**Figure 12.13** Solution of a logic problem using logic gates

To complete the introductory material on boolean algebra, a few paragraphs need to be devoted to two very important theorems, called **De Morgan’s theorems**. These are stated here in the form of logic functions:

$$\overline{(X + Y)} = \bar{X} \cdot \bar{Y} \tag{12.3}$$

De Morgan’s Theorems

$$\overline{(X \cdot Y)} = \bar{X} + \bar{Y} \tag{12.4}$$

These two laws state a very important property of logic functions:

Any logic function can be implemented by using only OR and NOT gates, or only AND and NOT gates.

De Morgan’s laws can easily be visualized in terms of logic gates, as shown in Figure 12.15. The associated truth tables are proofs of these theorems.

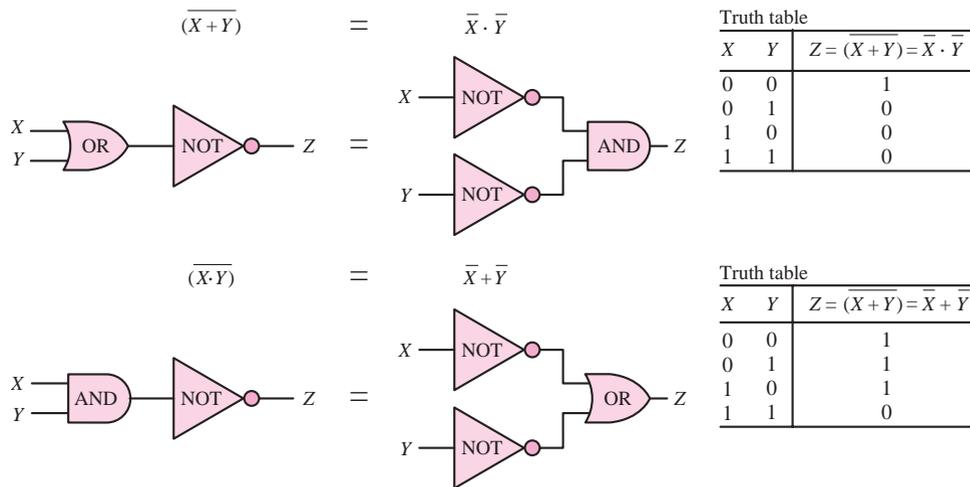


**Table 12.11** Rules of boolean algebra

1.	$0 + X = X$	
2.	$1 + X = 1$	
3.	$X + X = X$	
4.	$X + \bar{X} = 1$	
5.	$0 \cdot X = 0$	
6.	$1 \cdot X = X$	
7.	$X \cdot X = X$	
8.	$X \cdot \bar{X} = 0$	
9.	$\bar{\bar{X}} = X$	
10.	$X + Y = Y + X$	} Commutative law
11.	$X \cdot Y = Y \cdot X$	
12.	$X + (Y + Z) = (X + Y) + Z$	} Associative law
13.	$X \cdot (Y \cdot Z) = (X \cdot Y) \cdot Z$	
14.	$X \cdot (Y + Z) = X \cdot Y + X \cdot Z$	Distributive law
15.	$X + X \cdot Z = X$	Absorption law
16.	$X \cdot (X + Y) = X$	
17.	$(X + Y) \cdot (X + Z) = X + Y \cdot Z$	
18.	$X + \bar{X} \cdot Y = X + Y$	
19.	$X \cdot Y + Y \cdot Z + \bar{X} \cdot Z = X \cdot Y + \bar{X} \cdot Z$	

X	Y	X+Y	X·(X+Y)
0	0	0	0
0	1	1	0
1	0	1	1
1	1	1	1

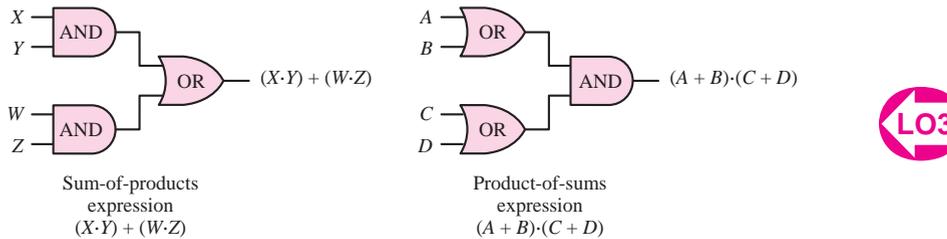
**Figure 12.14** Proof of rule 16 by perfect induction



**Figure 12.15** De Morgan's laws



The importance of De Morgan's laws lies in the statement of the **duality** that exists between AND and OR operations: Any function can be realized by just one of the two basic operations, plus the complement operation. This gives rise to two families of logic functions, **sums of products** and **product of sums**, as shown in Figure 12.16. Any logical expression can be reduced to one of these two forms. Although the two forms are equivalent, it may well be true that one of the two has a simpler implementation (fewer gates). Example 12.3 illustrates this point.



**Figure 12.16** Sum-of-products and product-of-sums logic functions

### EXAMPLE 12.3 Simplification of Logical Expression

#### Problem

Using the rules of Table 12.11, simplify the following function.

$$f(A, B, C, D) = \bar{A} \cdot \bar{B} \cdot D + \bar{A} \cdot B \cdot D + B \cdot C \cdot D + A \cdot C \cdot D$$

#### Solution

**Find:** Simplified expression for logical function of four variables.

**Analysis:**

$$\begin{aligned} f &= \bar{A} \cdot \bar{B} \cdot D + \bar{A} \cdot B \cdot D + B \cdot C \cdot D + A \cdot C \cdot D \\ &= \bar{A} \cdot D \cdot (\bar{B} + B) + B \cdot C \cdot D + A \cdot C \cdot D && \text{Rule 14} \\ &= \bar{A} \cdot D + B \cdot C \cdot D + A \cdot C \cdot D && \text{Rule 4} \\ &= (\bar{A} + A \cdot C) \cdot D + B \cdot C \cdot D && \text{Rule 14} \\ &= (\bar{A} + C) \cdot D + B \cdot C \cdot D && \text{Rule 18} \\ &= \bar{A} \cdot D + C \cdot D + B \cdot C \cdot D && \text{Rule 14} \\ &= \bar{A} \cdot D + C \cdot D \cdot (1 + B) && \text{Rule 14} \\ &= \bar{A} \cdot D + C \cdot D = (\bar{A} + C) \cdot D && \text{Rules 2 and 6} \end{aligned}$$



### EXAMPLE 12.4 Realizing Logic Functions from Truth Tables

#### Problem

Realize the logic function described by the truth table below.

A	B	C	y
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	1
1	0	0	1
1	0	1	1
1	1	0	1
1	1	1	1

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Value of function  $y(A, B, C)$  for each possible combination of logical variables  $A, B, C$ .

**Find:** Logical expression realizing the function  $y$ .

**Analysis:** To determine a logical expression for the function  $y$ , first we need to convert the truth table to a logical expression. We do so by expressing  $y$  as the sum of the products of the three variables for each combination that yields  $y = 1$ . If the value of a variable is 1, we use the uncomplemented variable. If it's 0, we use the complemented variable. For example, the second row (first instance of  $y = 1$ ) would yield the term  $\bar{A} \cdot \bar{B} \cdot C$ . Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} y &= \bar{A} \cdot \bar{B} \cdot C + \bar{A} \cdot B \cdot C + A \cdot \bar{B} \cdot \bar{C} + A \cdot \bar{B} \cdot C + A \cdot B \cdot \bar{C} + A \cdot B \cdot C \\ &= \bar{A} \cdot C(\bar{B} + B) + A \cdot \bar{B} \cdot (\bar{C} + C) + A \cdot B \cdot (\bar{C} + C) \\ &= \bar{A} \cdot C + A \cdot \bar{B} + A \cdot B = \bar{A} \cdot C + A \cdot (\bar{B} + B) = \bar{A} \cdot C + A = A + C \end{aligned}$$

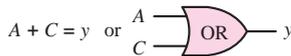


Figure 12.17

Thus, the function is a two-input OR gate, as shown in Figure 12.17.

**Comments:** The derivation above has made use of two rules from Table 12.11: rules 4 and 18. Could you have predicted that the variable  $B$  would not be used in the final realization?

### CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Prepare a step-by-step truth table for the following logic expressions.

- $\overline{(X + Y + Z)} + (X \cdot Y \cdot Z) \cdot \bar{X}$
- $\bar{X} \cdot Y \cdot Z + Y \cdot (Z + W)$
- $(X \cdot \bar{Y} + Z \cdot \bar{W}) \cdot (W \cdot X + \bar{Z} \cdot Y)$

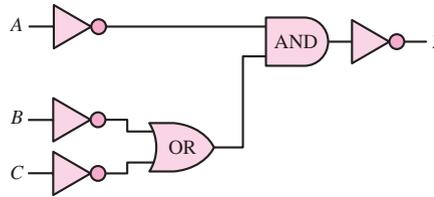


**Analysis:** We use the fact that  $\overline{\overline{y}} = y$  and apply De Morgan's theorem as follows:

$$\overline{y} = \overline{A + (B \cdot C)} = \overline{A} \cdot \overline{(B \cdot C)} = \overline{A} \cdot (\overline{B} + \overline{C})$$

$$\overline{\overline{y}} = y = \overline{\overline{A} \cdot (\overline{B} + \overline{C})}$$

The preceding sum-of-products function is realized using complements of each variable (obtained using NOT gates) and is finally complemented as shown in Figure 12.18.

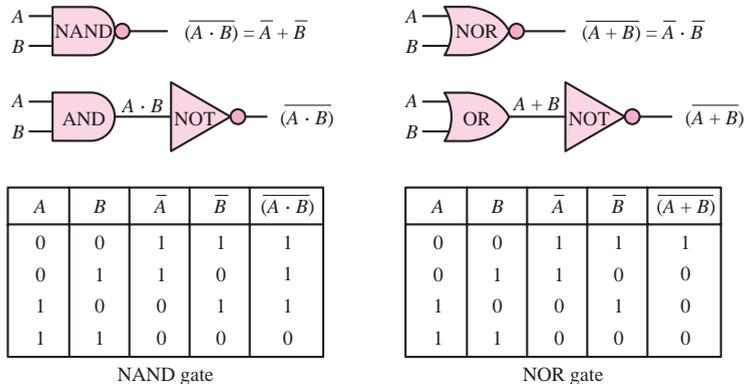


**Figure 12.18**

**Comments:** It should be evident that the original sum-of-products expression, which could be implemented with just one AND and one OR gate, has a much more efficient realization. In the next section we show a systematic approach to function minimization.

### NAND and NOR Gates

In addition to the AND and OR gates we have just analyzed, the complementary forms of these gates, called NAND and NOR, are very commonly used in practice. In fact, NAND and NOR gates form the basis of most practical logic circuits. Figure 12.19 depicts these two gates and illustrates how they can be easily interpreted in terms of AND, OR, and NOT gates by virtue of De Morgan's laws. You can readily verify that the logic function implemented by the NAND and NOR gates corresponds, respectively, to AND and OR gates followed by an inverter. It is very important to



**Figure 12.19** Equivalence of NAND and NOR gates with AND and OR gates

note that, by De Morgan’s laws, the NAND gate performs a *logical addition* on the *complements* of the inputs, while the NOR gate performs a *logical multiplication* on the *complements* of the inputs. Functionally, then, any logic function could be implemented with either NOR or NAND gates only.

The next section shows how to systematically approach the design of logic functions. First, we provide a few examples to illustrate logic design with NAND and NOR gates.

**EXAMPLE 12.6 Realizing the AND Function with NAND Gates**



**Problem**

Use a truth table to show that the AND function can be realized using only NAND gates, and show the physical realization.

**Solution**

**Known Quantities:** AND and NAND truth tables.

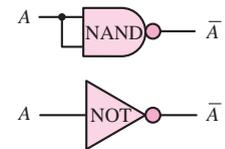
**Find:** AND realization using NAND gates.

**Assumptions:** Consider two-input functions and gates.

**Analysis:** The truth table below summarizes the two functions:

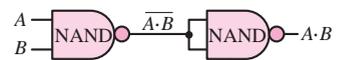
A	B	NAND $\overline{A \cdot B}$	AND $A \cdot B$
0	0	1	0
0	1	1	0
1	0	1	0
1	1	0	1

A	B (= A)	A · B	$\overline{(A \cdot B)}$
0	0	0	1
1	1	1	0



**Figure 12.20** NAND gate as an inverter

Clearly, to realize the AND function, we need to simply invert the output of a NAND gate. This is easily accomplished if we observe that a NAND gate with its inputs tied together acts as an inverter; you can verify this in the above truth table by looking at the NAND output for the input combinations 0–0 and 1–1, or by referring to Figure 12.20. The final realization is shown in Figure 12.21.



**Figure 12.21**

**Comments:** NAND gates naturally implement functions that contain complemented products. Gates that employ negative logic are a natural consequence of the inverting characteristics of transistor switches (refer to Section 10.5). Thus, one should expect that NAND (and NOR) gates are very commonly employed in practice.

**CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING**

Show that one can obtain an OR gate by using NAND gates only. (*Hint:* Use three NAND gates.)



### EXAMPLE 12.7 Realizing the AND Function with NOR Gates

#### Problem

Show analytically that the AND function can be realized using only NOR gates, and determine the physical realization.

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** AND and NOR functions.

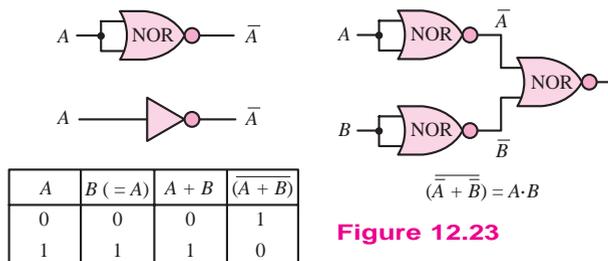
**Find:** AND realization using NOR gates.

**Assumptions:** Consider two-input functions and gates.

**Analysis:** We can solve this problem using De Morgan's theorem. The output of an AND gate can be expressed as  $f = A \cdot B$ . Using De Morgan's theorem, we write

$$f = \overline{\overline{f}} = \overline{\overline{A \cdot B}} = \overline{\overline{A} + \overline{B}}$$

The above function is implemented very easily if we see that a NOR gate with its input tied together acts as a NOT gate (see Figure 12.22). Thus, the logic circuit of Figure 12.23 provides the desired answer.



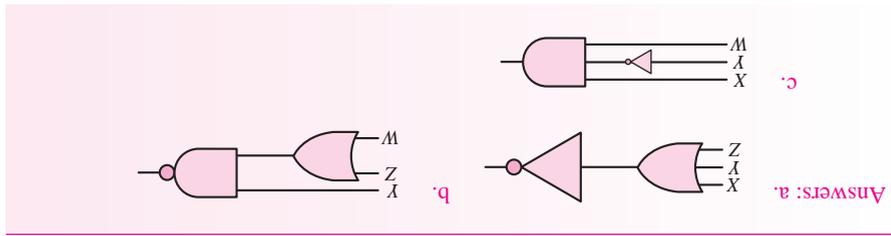
**Figure 12.22** NOR gate as an inverter

**Figure 12.23**

**Comments:** NOR gates naturally implement functions that contain complemented sums. Gates that employ negative logic are a natural consequence of the inverting characteristics of transistor switches (refer to Section 10.5). Thus, one should expect that NOR (and NAND) gates are very commonly employed in practice.

### CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Implement the three logic functions of the Check Your Understanding exercise accompanying Example 12.4, using the smallest number of AND, OR, and NOT gates only.



**EXAMPLE 12.8 Realizing a Function with NAND and NOR Gates**



**Problem**

Realize the following function, using only NAND and NOR gates:

$$y = \overline{\overline{(A \cdot B)} + C}$$

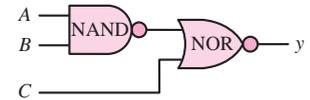
**Solution**

**Known Quantities:** Logical expression for  $y$ .

**Find:** Realization of  $y$  using only NAND and NOR gates.

**Assumptions:** Consider two-input functions and gates.

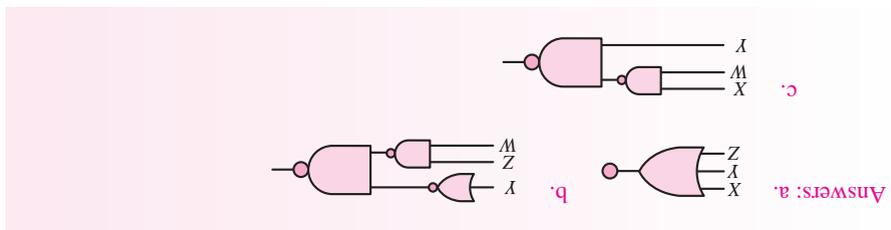
**Analysis:** On the basis of Examples 12.6 and 12.7, we see that we can realize the term  $Z = \overline{(A \cdot B)}$  using a two-input NAND gate, and the term  $\overline{Z + C}$  using a two-input NOR gate. The solution is shown in Figure 12.24.



**Figure 12.24**

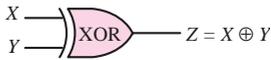
**CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING**

Implement the three logic functions of the Check Your Understanding exercise accompanying Example 12.4, using the least number of NAND and NOR gates only. (*Hint:* Use De Morgan's theorems and the fact that  $\overline{\overline{f}} = f$ .)



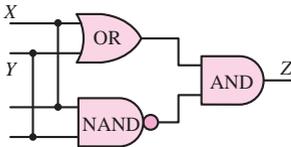
**The XOR (Exclusive OR) Gate**

It is rather common practice for a manufacturer of integrated circuits to provide common combinations of logic circuits in a single integrated-circuit (IC) package.



X	Y	Z
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0

Truth table

**Figure 12.25** XOR gate**Figure 12.26** Realization of an XOR gate

We review many of these common **logic modules** in Section 12.5. An example of this idea is provided by the **exclusive OR (XOR) gate**, which provides a logic function similar, but not identical, to the OR gate we have already studied. The XOR gate acts as an OR gate, except when its inputs are all logic 1s; in this case, the output is a logic 0 (thus the term *exclusive*). Figure 12.25 shows the logic circuit symbol adopted for this gate and the corresponding truth table. The logic function implemented by the XOR gate is the following: either  $X$  or  $Y$ , but not both. This description can be extended to an arbitrary number of inputs.

The symbol adopted for the exclusive OR operation is  $\oplus$ , and so we write

$$Z = X \oplus Y$$

to denote this logic operation. The XOR gate can be obtained by a combination of the basic gates we are already familiar with. For example, if we observe that the XOR function corresponds to  $Z = X \oplus Y = (X + Y) \cdot (\overline{X \cdot Y})$ , we can realize the XOR gate by means of the circuit shown in Figure 12.26.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Show that the XOR function can also be expressed as  $Z = X \cdot \overline{Y} + Y \cdot \overline{X}$ . Realize the corresponding function, using NOT, AND, and OR gates. (*Hint*: Use truth tables for the logic function  $Z$  (as defined in the exercise) and for the XOR function.)

## EXAMPLE 12.9 Half Adder

### Problem

Analyze the half adder circuit of Figure 12.27.

### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Logic circuit.

**Find:** Truth table, functional description.

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:** Figure 12.27.

**Assumptions:** Two-, three-, and four-input gates are available.

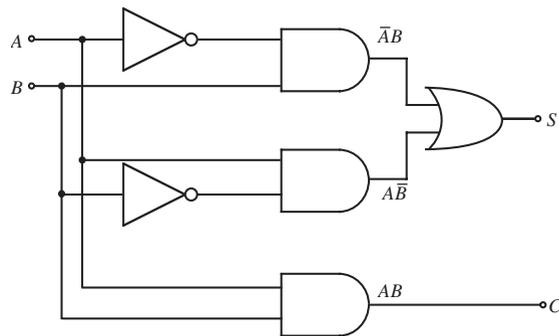
**Analysis:** The addition of two binary digits was illustrated in Section 12.2 (see Table 12.2, repeated here). It is important to observe that when both  $A$  and  $B$  are equal to 1, the sum requires two digits: the lower digit is a 0, and there also is a carry of 1. Thus, the circuit representing this operation must give an output consisting of two digits. Figure 12.27 shows a circuit called *half adder*, that performs binary addition providing two output bits: the sum,  $S$ , and the carry,  $C$ .

We can write the rule for addition in the form of a logic statement, as follows:  $S$  is 1 if  $A$  is 0 and  $B$  is 1, or if  $A$  is 1 and  $B$  is 0;  $C$  is 1 if  $A$  and  $B$  are 1. In terms of a logic function, we can express this statement with the following logical expressions:

$$S = \overline{A}B + A\overline{B} \text{ and } C = AB$$

**Table 12.2** Rules for addition

$0 + 0 = 0$
$0 + 1 = 1$
$1 + 0 = 1$
$1 + 1 = 0$ (with a carry of 1)



**Figure 12.27** Logic circuit realization of a half adder

The circuit of Figure 12.27 clearly implements this function using NOT, AND, and OR gates.

**Comments:** Various other implementations of the half adder are explored in the homework problems.

### EXAMPLE 12.10 Full Adder

#### Problem

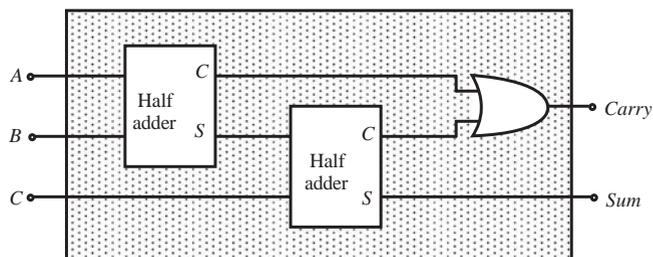
Analyze the full adder circuit of Figure 12.28.

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Logic circuit.

**Find:** Truth table, functional description.

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:** Figure 12.28.



**Figure 12.28** Logic circuit realization of a full adder

**Analysis:** To perform a complete addition we need a *full adder*, that is, a circuit capable of performing a complete two-bit addition, including taking a carry from a preceding operation. The circuit of Figure 12.28 uses two half adders, such as the one described in Example 12.9,

and an OR gate to process the addition of two bits,  $A$  and  $B$ , plus the possible carry from a preceding addition from another (half or full) adder circuit. The truth table below illustrates this operation.

$A$	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1
$B$	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1
$C$	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1
$Sum$	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	1
$Carry$	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	1

Truth table for full adder

**Comments:** To perform the addition of two four-bit “words,” we would need a half adder for the first column (LSB), and a full adder for each additional column, that is, three full adders.

## 12.4 KARNAUGH MAPS AND LOGIC DESIGN

In examining the design of logic functions by means of logic gates, we have discovered that more than one solution is usually available for the implementation of a given logic expression. It should also be clear by now that some combinations of gates can implement a given function more efficiently than others. How can we be assured of having chosen the most efficient realization? Fortunately, there is a procedure that utilizes a map describing all possible combinations of the variables present in the logic function of interest. This map is called a **Karnaugh map**, after its inventor. Figure 12.29 depicts the appearance of Karnaugh maps for two-, three-, and four-variable expressions in two different forms. As can be seen, the row and column assignments for two or more variables are arranged so that all adjacent terms change by only 1 bit. For example, in the two-variable map, the columns next to column 01 are columns 00 and 11. Also note that each map consists of  $2^N$  **cells**, where  $N$  is the number of logic variables.

Each cell in a Karnaugh map contains a **minterm**, that is, a product of the  $N$  variables that appear in our logic expression (in either uncomplemented or complemented form). For example, for the case of three variables ( $N = 3$ ), there are  $2^3 = 8$  such combinations, or minterms:  $\bar{X} \cdot \bar{Y} \cdot \bar{Z}$ ,  $\bar{X} \cdot \bar{Y} \cdot Z$ ,  $\bar{X} \cdot Y \cdot \bar{Z}$ ,  $\bar{X} \cdot Y \cdot Z$ ,  $X \cdot \bar{Y} \cdot \bar{Z}$ ,  $X \cdot \bar{Y} \cdot Z$ ,  $X \cdot Y \cdot \bar{Z}$ , and  $X \cdot Y \cdot Z$ . The content of each cell—that is, the minterm—is the product of the variables appearing at the corresponding vertical and horizontal coordinates. For example, in the three-variable map,  $X \cdot Y \cdot \bar{Z}$  appears at the intersection of  $X \cdot Y$  and  $\bar{Z}$ . The map is filled by placing a value of 1 for any combination of variables for which the desired output is a 1. For example, consider the function of three variables for which we desire to have an output of 1 whenever variables  $X$ ,  $Y$ , and  $Z$  have the following values:

$X = 0$	$Y = 1$	$Z = 0$
$X = 0$	$Y = 1$	$Z = 1$
$X = 1$	$Y = 1$	$Z = 0$
$X = 1$	$Y = 1$	$Z = 1$

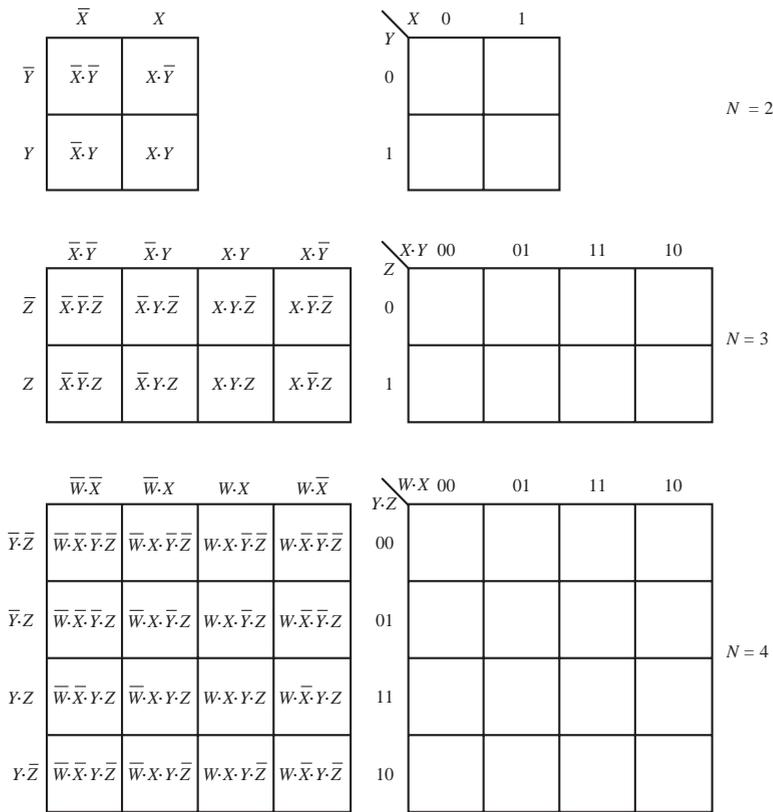
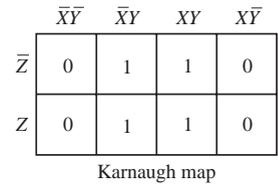


Figure 12.29 Two-, three-, and four-variable Karnaugh maps



Karnaugh map

X	Y	Z	Desired Function
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0
0	1	0	1
0	1	1	1
1	0	0	0
1	0	1	0
1	1	0	1
1	1	1	1

Truth table

Figure 12.30 Truth table and Karnaugh map representations of a logic function



The same truth table is shown in Figure 12.30 together with the corresponding Karnaugh map.

The Karnaugh map provides an immediate view of the values of the function in graphical form. Further, the arrangement of the cells in the Karnaugh map is such that any two adjacent cells contain minterms that vary in only one variable. This property, as will be verified shortly, is quite useful in the design of logic functions by means of logic gates, especially if we consider the map to be continuously wrapping around itself, as if the top and bottom, and right and left, edges were touching. For the three-variable map given in Figure 12.29, for example, the cell  $X \cdot \bar{Y} \cdot \bar{Z}$  is adjacent to  $\bar{X} \cdot \bar{Y} \cdot \bar{Z}$  if we “roll” the map so that the right edge touches the left. Note that these two cells differ only in the variable X, a property that we earlier claimed adjacent cells have.<sup>1</sup>

Shown in Figure 12.31 is a more complex, four-variable logic function, which will serve as an example in explaining how Karnaugh maps can be used directly to implement a logic function. First, we define a *subcube* as a set of  $2^m$  adjacent

<sup>1</sup>A useful rule to remember is that in a two-variable map, there are two minterms adjacent to any given minterm; in a three-variable map, three minterms are adjacent to any given minterm; in a four-variable map, the number is four, and so on.



	$\bar{W}\bar{X}$	$\bar{W}X$	$W\bar{X}$	$WX$
$\bar{Y}\bar{Z}$	1	0	0	0
$\bar{Y}Z$	1	1	0	1
$Y\bar{Z}$	0	0	1	0
$YZ$	0	1	0	1

One-cell subcubes

	$\bar{W}\bar{X}$	$\bar{W}X$	$W\bar{X}$	$WX$
$\bar{Y}\bar{Z}$	1	0	0	0
$\bar{Y}Z$	1	1	0	1
$Y\bar{Z}$	0	0	1	0
$YZ$	0	1	0	1

Two-cell subcubes

**Figure 12.32** One- and two-cell subcubes for the Karnaugh map of Figure 12.29

X	Y	Y	Z	Desired Function
0	0	0	0	1
0	0	0	1	1
0	0	1	0	0
0	0	1	1	0
0	1	0	0	0
0	1	0	1	1
0	1	1	0	1
0	1	1	1	0
1	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	1	1
1	0	1	0	1
1	0	1	1	0
1	1	0	0	0
1	1	0	1	0
1	1	1	0	0
1	1	1	1	1

Truth table for four-variable expression

	$\bar{W}\bar{X}$	$\bar{W}X$	$W\bar{X}$	$WX$
$\bar{Y}\bar{Z}$	1	0	0	0
$\bar{Y}Z$	1	1	0	1
$Y\bar{Z}$	0	0	1	0
$YZ$	0	1	0	1

**Figure 12.31** Karnaugh map for a four-variable expression

cells with logical value 1, for  $m = 1, 2, 3, \dots, N$ . Thus, a subcube can consist of 1, 2, 4, 8, 16, 32, ... cells. All possible subcubes for the four-variable map of Figure 12.29 are shown in Figure 12.32. Note that there are no four-cell subcubes in this particular case. Note also that there is some overlap between subcubes. Examples of four-cell and eight-cell subcubes are shown in Figure 12.33 for an arbitrary expression.

In general, one tries to find the largest possible subcubes to cover all the 1 entries in the map. How do maps and subcubes help in the realization of logic functions, then? The use of maps and subcubes in minimizing logic expressions is best explained by considering the following rule of boolean algebra:

$$Y \cdot X + Y \cdot \bar{X} = Y$$

where the variable  $Y$  could represent a product of logic variables [e.g., we could similarly write  $(Z \cdot W) \cdot X + (Z \cdot W) \cdot \bar{X} = Z \cdot W$  with  $Y = Z \cdot W$ ]. This rule is easily proved by factoring  $Y$

$$Y \cdot (X + \bar{X})$$

and observing that  $X + \bar{X} = 1$  always. Then it should be clear that variable  $X$  need not appear in the expression at all.

Let us apply this rule to a more complex logic expression, to verify that it can also apply to this case. Consider the logic expression

$$\bar{W} \cdot X \cdot \bar{Y} \cdot Z + \bar{W} \cdot \bar{X} \cdot \bar{Y} \cdot Z + W \cdot \bar{X} \cdot \bar{Y} \cdot Z + W \cdot X \cdot \bar{Y} \cdot Z$$

and factor it as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{W} \cdot Z \cdot \bar{Y} \cdot (X + \bar{X}) + W \cdot \bar{Y} \cdot Z \cdot (\bar{X} + X) &= \bar{W} \cdot Z \cdot \bar{Y} + W \cdot \bar{Y} \cdot Z \\ &= \bar{Y} \cdot Z \cdot (\bar{W} + W) = \bar{Y} \cdot Z \end{aligned}$$

	$\bar{W}\bar{X}$	$\bar{W}X$	$W\bar{X}$	$WX$
$\bar{Y}\bar{Z}$	1	0	0	0
$\bar{Y}Z$	1	0	1	1
$Y\bar{Z}$	1	0	1	1
$YZ$	1	0	0	0

(a)

	$\bar{W}\bar{X}$	$\bar{W}X$	$W\bar{X}$	$WX$
$\bar{Y}\bar{Z}$	1	1	1	1
$\bar{Y}Z$	0	0	0	0
$Y\bar{Z}$	0	0	0	0
$YZ$	1	1	1	1

(b)

**Figure 12.33** Four- and eight-cell subcubes for an arbitrary logic function

That is quite a simplification! If we consider, now, a map in which we place a 1 in the cells corresponding to the minterms  $\bar{W} \cdot X \cdot \bar{Y} \cdot Z$ ,  $\bar{W} \cdot \bar{X} \cdot \bar{Y} \cdot Z$ ,  $W \cdot \bar{X} \cdot \bar{Y} \cdot Z$ ,

and  $W \cdot X \cdot \bar{Y} \cdot Z$ , forming the previous expression, we obtain the Karnaugh map of Figure 12.34. It can easily be verified that the map of Figure 12.34 shows a single four-cell subcube corresponding to the term  $\bar{Y} \cdot Z$ .

We have not established formal rules yet, but it definitely appears that the map method for simplifying boolean expressions is a convenient tool. In effect, the map has performed the algebraic simplification automatically! We can see that in any subcube, one or more of the variables present will appear in both complemented *and* uncomplemented forms in all their combinations with the other variables. These variables can be eliminated. As an illustration, in the *eight-cell* subcube case of Figure 12.35, the full-blown expression would be

$$\begin{aligned} &\bar{W} \cdot \bar{X} \cdot \bar{Y} \cdot \bar{Z} + \bar{W} \cdot X \cdot \bar{Y} \cdot \bar{Z} + W \cdot X \cdot \bar{Y} \cdot \bar{Z} + W \cdot \bar{X} \cdot \bar{Y} \cdot \bar{Z} \\ &+ \bar{W} \cdot \bar{X} \cdot Y \cdot \bar{Z} + \bar{W} \cdot X \cdot Y \cdot \bar{Z} + W \cdot X \cdot Y \cdot \bar{Z} + W \cdot \bar{X} \cdot Y \cdot \bar{Z} \end{aligned}$$

However, if we consider the eight-cell subcube, we note that the three variables  $X$ ,  $W$ , and  $Z$  appear in both complemented and uncomplemented form in all their combinations with the other variables and thus can be removed from the expression. This reduces the seemingly unwieldy expression simply to  $\bar{Y}$ ! In logic design terms, a simple inverter is sufficient to implement the expression.

The example just shown is a particularly simple one, but it illustrates how simple it can be to determine the minimal expression for a logic function. Clearly, the larger a subcube, the greater the simplification that will result. For subcubes that do not intersect, as in the previous example, the solution can be found easily and is unique.

	$\bar{W} \cdot \bar{X}$	$\bar{W} \cdot X$	$W \cdot X$	$W \cdot \bar{X}$
$\bar{Y} \cdot \bar{Z}$	0	0	0	0
$\bar{Y} \cdot Z$	1	1	1	1
$Y \cdot Z$	0	0	0	0
$Y \cdot \bar{Z}$	0	0	0	0

**Figure 12.34** Karnaugh map for the function  $\bar{W} \cdot X \cdot \bar{Y} \cdot Z + \bar{W} \cdot \bar{X} \cdot \bar{Y} \cdot Z + W \cdot \bar{X} \cdot \bar{Y} \cdot Z + W \cdot X \cdot \bar{Y} \cdot Z$

	$\bar{W} \cdot \bar{X}$	$\bar{W} \cdot X$	$W \cdot X$	$W \cdot \bar{X}$
$\bar{Y} \cdot \bar{Z}$	1	1	1	1
$\bar{Y} \cdot Z$	1	1	1	1
$Y \cdot Z$	0	0	0	0
$Y \cdot \bar{Z}$	0	0	0	0

**Figure 12.35**

## Sum-of-Products Realizations

Although not explicitly stated, the logic functions of the preceding section were all in sum-of-products form. As you know, it is also possible to realize logic functions in product-of-sums form. This section discusses the implementation of logic functions in sum-of-products form and gives a set of design rules. The next section will do the same for product-of-sums form logical expressions. The following rules are a useful aid in determining the minimal sum-of-products expression:

### FOCUS ON METHODOLOGY

#### SUM-OF-PRODUCTS REALIZATIONS

1. Begin with isolated cells. These must be used as they are, since no simplification is possible.
2. Find all cells that are adjacent to only one other cell, forming two-cell subcubes.
3. Find cells that form four-cell subcubes, eight-cell subcubes, and so forth.
4. The minimal expression is formed by the collection of the *smallest number of maximal subcubes*.



Examples 12.11 through 12.15 illustrate the application of these principles to a variety of problems.



**EXAMPLE 12.11 Logic Circuit Design Using Karnaugh Maps**

**Problem**

Design a logic circuit that implements the truth table of Figure 12.36.

**Solution**

**Known Quantities:** Truth table for  $y(A, B, C, D)$ .

**Find:** Realization of  $y$ .

**Assumptions:** Two-, three-, and four-input gates are available.

**Analysis:** We use the Karnaugh map of Figure 12.37, which is shown with values of 1 and 0 already in place. We recognize four subcubes in the map; three are four-cell subcubes, and one is a two-cell subcube. The expressions for the subcubes are  $\bar{A} \cdot \bar{B} \cdot \bar{D}$  for the two-cell subcube;  $\bar{B} \cdot \bar{C}$  for the subcube that wraps around the map;  $\bar{C} \cdot D$  for the 4-by-1 subcube; and  $A \cdot D$  for the square subcube at the bottom of the map. Thus, the expression for  $y$  is

$$y = \bar{A} \cdot \bar{B} \cdot \bar{D} + \bar{B} \cdot \bar{C} + \bar{C}D + AD$$

Figure 12.36

A	B	C	D	y
0	0	0	0	1
0	0	0	1	1
0	0	1	0	1
0	0	1	1	0
0	1	0	0	0
0	1	0	1	1
0	1	1	0	0
0	1	1	1	0
1	0	0	0	1
1	0	0	1	1
1	0	1	0	0
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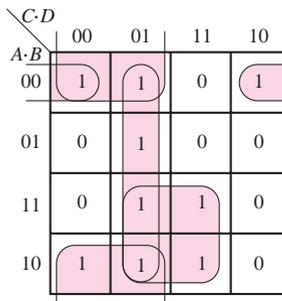


Figure 12.37 Karnaugh map for Example 12.11

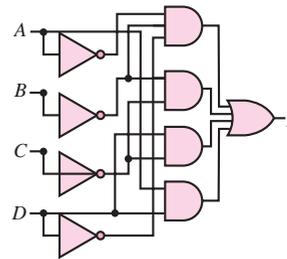


Figure 12.38 Logic circuit realization of Karnaugh map of Figure 12.37

The implementation of the above function with logic gates is shown in Figure 12.38.

**Comments:** The Karnaugh map covering of Figure 12.37 is a sum-of-products expression because we covered the map using the 1s.

**CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING**

Simplify the following expression, using a Karnaugh map.

$$\begin{aligned} &\bar{W} \cdot \bar{X} \cdot \bar{Y} \cdot \bar{Z} + \bar{W} \cdot \bar{X} \cdot Y \cdot \bar{Z} + W \cdot X \cdot \bar{Y} \cdot \bar{Z} + W \cdot \bar{X} \cdot \bar{Y} \cdot \bar{Z} + \\ &+ W \cdot \bar{X} \cdot Y \cdot \bar{Z} + W \cdot X \cdot Y \cdot \bar{Z} \end{aligned}$$

Simplify the following expression, using a Karnaugh map.

$$\overline{W} \cdot \overline{X} \cdot \overline{Y} \cdot \overline{Z} + \overline{W} \cdot \overline{X} \cdot Y \cdot \overline{Z} + W \cdot X \cdot \overline{Y} \cdot \overline{Z} + W \cdot \overline{X} \cdot \overline{Y} \cdot \overline{Z} + W \cdot \overline{X} \cdot Y \cdot \overline{Z} + \overline{W} \cdot X \cdot \overline{Y} \cdot \overline{Z}$$

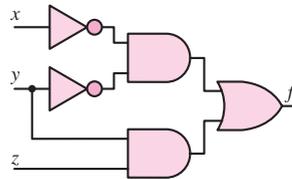
Answers:  $W \cdot \overline{X} + Z \cdot \overline{Y} + \overline{Z} \cdot X$

**EXAMPLE 12.12 Deriving a Sum-of-Products Expression from a Logic Circuit**



**Problem**

Derive the truth table and minimum sum-of-products expression for the circuit of Figure 12.39.



**Figure 12.39**

**Solution**

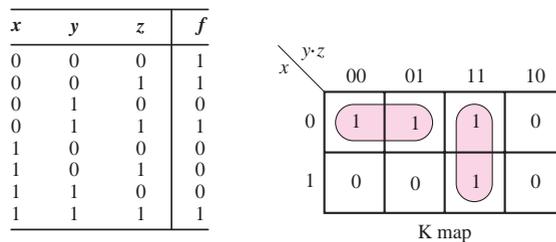
**Known Quantities:** Logic circuit representing  $f(x, y, z)$ .

**Find:** Expression for  $f$  and corresponding truth table.

**Analysis:** To determine the truth table, we write the expression corresponding to the logic circuit of Figure 12.39:

$$f = \overline{x} \cdot \overline{y} + y \cdot z$$

The truth table corresponding to this expression and the corresponding Karnaugh map with sum-of-products covering are shown in Figure 12.40.



**Figure 12.40**

**Comments:** If we used 0s in covering the Karnaugh map for this example, the resulting expression would be a product of sums. You may verify that, in the case of this example,

the complexity of the circuit would be unchanged. Note also that there exists a third subcube ( $x = 0, yz = 01, 11$ ) that is not used because it does not help minimize the solution.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

The function  $y$  of Example 12.11 can be obtained with fewer gates if we use gates with three or four inputs. Find the minimum number of gates needed to obtain this function.

Answer: Nine gates



### EXAMPLE 12.13 Realizing a Sum of Products Using Only NAND Gates

#### Problem

Realize the following function in sum-of-products form, using only two-input NAND gates.

$$f = (\bar{x} + \bar{y}) \cdot (y + \bar{z})$$

#### Solution

**Known quantities:**  $f(x, y, z)$ .

**Find:** Logic circuit for  $f$  using only NAND gates.

**Analysis:** The first step is to convert the expression for  $f$  into an expression that can be easily implemented with NAND gates. We observe that direct application of De Morgan's theorem yields

$$\bar{x} + \bar{y} = \overline{x \cdot y}$$

$$y + \bar{z} = \overline{z \cdot \bar{y}}$$

Thus, we can write the function as

$$f = (\overline{x \cdot y}) \cdot (\overline{z \cdot \bar{y}})$$

and implement it with five NAND gates, as shown in Figure 12.41.

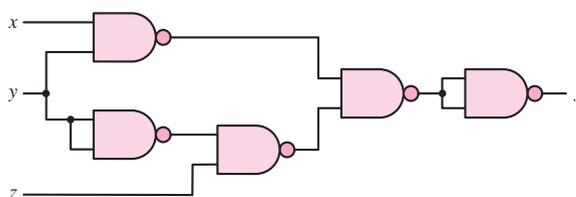


Figure 12.41

**Comments:** Note that we used two NAND gates as inverters—one to obtain  $\bar{y}$ , the other to invert the output of the fourth NAND gate, equal to  $(\bar{x} \cdot \bar{y}) \cdot (\bar{z} \cdot \bar{y})$ .

**EXAMPLE 12.14 Simplifying Expressions by Using Karnaugh Maps**



**Problem**

Simplify the following expression by using a Karnaugh map.

$$f = x \cdot y + \bar{x} \cdot z + y \cdot z$$

**Solution**

**Known Quantities:**  $f(x, y, z)$ .

**Find:** Minimal expression for  $f$ .

**Analysis:** We cover a three-term Karnaugh map to reflect the expression given above. The result is shown in Figure 12.42. It is clear that the Karnaugh map can be covered by using just two terms (subcubes):  $f = x \cdot y + \bar{x} \cdot z$ . Thus, the term  $y \cdot z$  is redundant.

**Comments:** The Karnaugh map covering clearly shows that the term  $y \cdot z$  corresponds to covering a third two-cell subcube vertically intersecting the two horizontal two-cell subcubes already shown. Clearly, the third subcube is redundant.

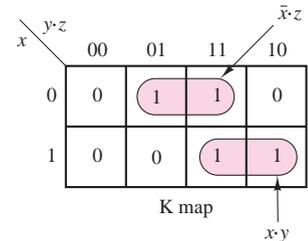


Figure 12.42

**EXAMPLE 12.15 Simplifying a Logic Circuit by Using the Karnaugh Map**



**Problem**

Derive the Karnaugh map corresponding to the circuit of Figure 12.43, and use the resulting map to simplify the expression.

**Solution**

**Known Quantities:** Logic circuit.

**Find:** Simplified logic circuit.

**Analysis:** We first determine the expression  $f(x, y, z)$  from the logic circuit:

$$f = (x \cdot z) + (\bar{y} \cdot \bar{z}) + (y \cdot \bar{z})$$

This expression leads to the Karnaugh map shown in Figure 12.44. Inspection of the Karnaugh map reveals that the map could have been covered more efficiently by using four-cell subcubes. The improved map covering, corresponding to the simpler function  $f = x + \bar{z}$ , and the resulting logic circuit are shown in Figure 12.45.

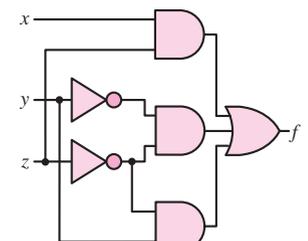


Figure 12.43

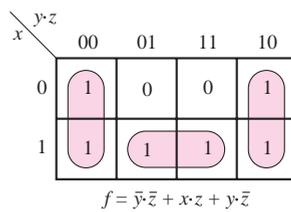


Figure 12.44

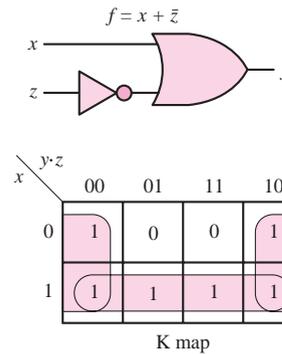


Figure 12.45

**Comments:** In general, one wishes to cover the largest possible subcubes in a Karnaugh map.

## Product-of-Sums Realizations

Thus far, we have exclusively worked with sum-of-products expressions, that is, logic functions of the form  $A \cdot B + C \cdot D$ . We know, however, that De Morgan's laws state that there is an equivalent form that appears as a product of sums, for example,  $(W + Y) \cdot (Y + Z)$ . The two forms are completely equivalent logically, but one of the two forms may lead to a realization involving a smaller number of gates. When using Karnaugh maps, we may obtain the product-of-sums form very simply by following these rules.

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#### PRODUCT-OF-SUMS REALIZATIONS

1. Solve for the 0s exactly as for the 1s in sum-of-products expressions.
2. Complement the resulting expression.

The same principles stated earlier apply in covering the map with subcubes and determining the minimal expression. Examples 12.16 and 12.17 illustrate how one form may result in a more efficient solution than the other.



#### EXAMPLE 12.16 Comparison of Sum-of-Products and Product-of-Sums Designs

##### Problem

Realize the function  $f$  described by the accompanying truth table, using both 0 and 1 coverings in the Karnaugh map.

##### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Truth table for logic function.

$x$	$y$	$z$	$f$
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1
0	1	0	1
0	1	1	1
1	0	0	1
1	0	1	1
1	1	0	0
1	1	1	0

**Find:** Realization in both sum-of-products and product-of-sums forms.

**Analysis:**

1. *Product-of-sums expression.* Product-of-sums expressions use 0s to determine the logical expression from a Karnaugh map. Figure 12.46 depicts the Karnaugh map covering with 0s, leading to the expression

$$f = (x + y + z) \cdot (\bar{x} + \bar{y})$$

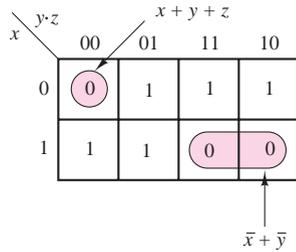


Figure 12.46

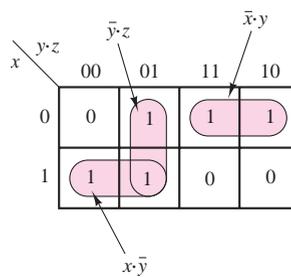


Figure 12.47

2. *Sum-of-products expression.* Sum-of-products expressions use 1s to determine the logical expression from a Karnaugh map. Figure 12.47 depicts the Karnaugh map covering with 1s, leading to the expression

$$f = (\bar{x} \cdot y) + (\bar{x} \cdot \bar{y}) + (\bar{y} \cdot z)$$

**Comments:** The product-of-sums solution requires the use of five gates (two OR, two NOT, and one AND), while the sum-of-products solution will use six gates (one OR, two NOT, and three AND). Thus, solution 1 leads to the simpler design.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Verify that the product-of-sums expression for Example 12.16 can be realized with fewer gates.

### EXAMPLE 12.17 Product-of-Sums Design

**Problem**

Realize the function  $f$  described by the accompanying truth table in minimal product-of-sums form. Draw the corresponding Karnaugh map.

**Solution**

**Known Quantities:** Truth table for logic function.

**Find:** Realization in minimal product-of-sums forms.



$x$	$y$	$z$	$f$
0	0	0	1
0	0	1	0
0	1	0	1
0	1	1	0
1	0	0	1
1	0	1	0
1	1	0	0
1	1	1	0

**Analysis:** We cover the Karnaugh map of Figure 12.48 using 0s, and we obtain the following function:

$$f = \bar{z} \cdot (\bar{x} + \bar{y})$$

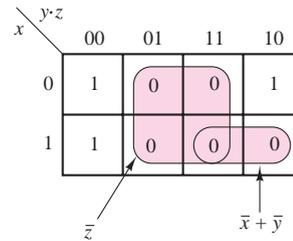


Figure 12.48

**Comments:** Is the sum-of-products solution simpler? Try it yourself.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Would a sum-of-products realization for Example 12.17 require fewer gates?

Answer: No

## Don't Care Conditions

Another simplification technique may be employed whenever the value of the logic function to be implemented can be either a 1 or a 0. This condition may result from the specification of the problem and is not uncommon. Whenever it does not matter whether a position in the map is filled by a 1 or a 0, we use a **don't care** entry, denoted by an  $x$ . Then the don't care can be used as either a 1 or a 0, depending on which results in a greater simplification (i.e., helps in forming the smallest number of maximal subcubes). The following examples illustrate the use of don't care conditions.



### EXAMPLE 12.18 Using Don't Care Conditions to Simplify Expressions—1

#### Problem

Use don't care entries to simplify the expression

$$f(A, B, C, D) = \bar{A} \cdot \bar{B} \cdot \bar{C} \cdot D + \bar{A} \cdot \bar{B} \cdot C \cdot \bar{D} + \bar{A} \cdot \bar{B} \cdot C \cdot D \\ + \bar{A} \cdot B \cdot \bar{C} \cdot D + A \cdot \bar{B} \cdot C \cdot D + A \cdot B \cdot \bar{C} \cdot \bar{D}$$

**Solution**

**Known Quantities:** Logical expression; don't care conditions.

**Find:** Minimal realization.

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:** Don't care conditions:

$$f(A, B, C, D) = \{0100, 0110, 1010, 1110\}.$$

**Analysis:** We cover the Karnaugh map of Figure 12.49 using 1s, and also using  $x$  entries for each don't care condition. Treating all the  $x$  entries as 1s, we complete the covering with two four-cell subcubes and one two-cell subcube, to obtain the following simplified expression:

$$f(A, B, C, D) = B \cdot \bar{D} + \bar{B} \cdot C + \bar{A} \cdot \bar{C} \cdot D$$

**Comments:** Note that we could have also interpreted the don't care entries as 0s and tried to solve in product-of-sums form. Verify that the expression obtained above is indeed the minimal one.

Note that the  $x$ s never occur, and so they may be assigned a 1 or a 0, whichever will best simplify the expression.

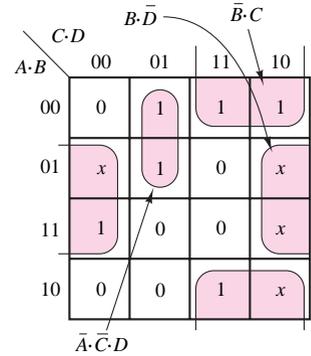


Figure 12.49

**CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING**

In Example 12.18, assign a value of 0 to the don't care terms and derive the corresponding minimal expression. Is the new function simpler than the one obtained in Example 12.18?

Answer:  $f = A \cdot B \cdot \bar{C} \cdot \bar{D} + \bar{A} \cdot \bar{C} \cdot D + \bar{A} \cdot \bar{C} \cdot D$

**EXAMPLE 12.19 Using Don't Care Conditions to Simplify Expressions—2**



**Problem**

Find a minimum product-of-sums realization for the expression  $f(A, B, C)$ .

**Solution**

**Known Quantities:** Logical expression; don't care conditions.

**Find:** Minimal realization.

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**

$$f(A, B, C) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } \{A, B, C\} = \{000, 010, 011\} \\ x & \text{for } \{A, B, C\} = \{100, 101, 110\} \end{cases}$$

**Analysis:** We cover the Karnaugh map of Figure 12.50 using 1s, and also using  $x$  entries for each don't care condition. By appropriately selecting two of the three don't care entries to be equal to 1, we complete the covering with one four-cell subcube and one two-cell subcube, to obtain the following minimal expression:

$$f(A, B, C) = \bar{A} \cdot B + \bar{C}$$

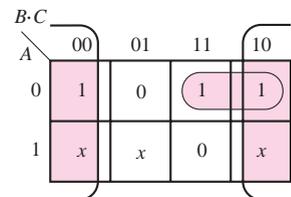


Figure 12.50

**Comments:** Note that we have chosen to set one of the don't care entries equal to 0, since it would not lead to any further simplification.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

In Example 12.19, assign a value of 0 to the don't care terms and derive the corresponding minimal expression. Is the new function simpler than the one obtained in Example 12.19?

In Example 12.19, assign a value of 1 to all don't care terms and derive the corresponding minimal expression. Is the new function simpler than the one obtained in Example 12.19?

Answers:  $f = \overline{A} \cdot B + \overline{A} \cdot C; \text{No}; f = \overline{A} \cdot B + A \cdot \overline{B} + A \cdot \overline{C}; \text{No}$



## EXAMPLE 12.20 Using Don't Care Conditions to Simplify Expressions—3

### Problem

Find a minimum sum-of-products realization for the expression  $f(A, B, C, D)$ .

### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Logical expression; don't care conditions.

**Find:** Minimal realization.

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data**

$$f(A, B, C, D) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } \{A, B, C, D\} = \{0000, 0011, 0110, 1001\} \\ x & \text{for } \{A, B, C, D\} = \{1010, 1011, 1101, 1110, 1111\} \end{cases}$$

**Analysis:** We cover the Karnaugh map of Figure 12.51 using 1s, and using  $x$  entries for each don't care condition. By appropriately selecting three of the four don't care entries to be equal to 1, we complete the covering with one four-cell subcube, two two-cell subcubes, and one one-cell subcube, to obtain the following expression:

$$f(A, B, C) = \overline{A} \cdot \overline{B} \cdot \overline{C} \cdot \overline{D} + B \cdot C \cdot \overline{D} + A \cdot D + \overline{B} \cdot C \cdot D$$

**Comments:** Would the product-of-sums realization be simpler? Verify.

	C-D			
	00	01	11	10
A-B	00	0	1	0
	01	0	0	1
	11	x	x	x
	10	1	x	x

Figure 12.51

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

In Example 12.20, assign a value of 0 to all don't care terms and derive the corresponding minimal expression. Is the new function simpler than the one obtained in Example 12.20?

In Example 12.20, assign a value of 1 to all don't care terms and derive the corresponding minimal expression. Is the new function simpler than the one obtained in Example 12.20?

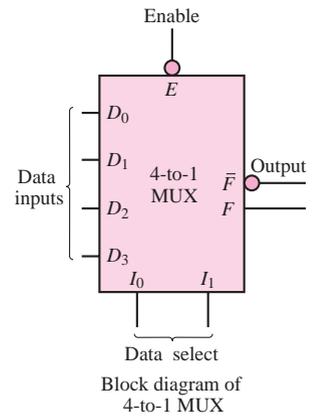
Answers:  $f = \overline{A} \cdot \overline{B} \cdot \overline{C} \cdot \overline{D} + \overline{A} \cdot \overline{B} \cdot \overline{C} \cdot D + \overline{A} \cdot B \cdot \overline{C} \cdot \overline{D} + \overline{A} \cdot B \cdot \overline{C} \cdot D + \overline{A} \cdot B \cdot C \cdot \overline{D} + \overline{A} \cdot B \cdot C \cdot D + A \cdot \overline{B} \cdot \overline{C} \cdot \overline{D} + A \cdot \overline{B} \cdot \overline{C} \cdot D + A \cdot \overline{B} \cdot C \cdot \overline{D} + A \cdot \overline{B} \cdot C \cdot D + A \cdot B \cdot \overline{C} \cdot \overline{D} + A \cdot B \cdot \overline{C} \cdot D + A \cdot B \cdot C \cdot \overline{D} + A \cdot B \cdot C \cdot D$ ; No;

## 12.5 COMBINATIONAL LOGIC MODULES

The basic logic gates described in the previous section are used to implement more advanced functions and are often combined to form logic modules, which, thanks to modern technology, are available in compact integrated-circuit packages. In this section and the next, we discuss a few of the more common **combinational logic modules**, illustrating how these can be used to implement advanced logic functions.

### Multiplexers

**Multiplexers**, or **data selectors**, are combinational logic circuits that permit the selection of one of many inputs. A typical multiplexer (MUX) has  $2^n$  **data lines**,  $n$  **address (or data select) lines**, and one output. In addition, other control inputs (e.g., enables) may exist. Standard, commercially available MUXs allow for  $n$  up to 4; however, two or more MUXs can be combined if a greater range is needed. The MUX allows for one of  $2^n$  inputs to be selected as the data output; the selection of which input is to appear at the output is made by way of the address lines. Figure 12.52 depicts the block diagram of a four-input MUX. The input data lines are labeled  $D_0$ ,  $D_1$ ,  $D_2$ , and  $D_3$ ; the **data select**, or **address, lines** are labeled  $I_0$  and  $I_1$ ; and the output is available in both complemented and uncomplemented form and is thus labeled  $F$ , or  $\overline{F}$ . Finally, an **enable** input, labeled  $E$ , is also provided, as a means of enabling or disabling the MUX: if  $E = 1$ , the MUX is disabled; if  $E = 0$ , it is enabled. The negative logic (MUX off when  $E = 1$  and on when  $E = 0$ ) is represented by the small “bubble” at the enable input, which represents a complement operation (just as at the output of NAND and NOR gates). The enable input is useful whenever one is interested in a cascade of MUXs; this would be of interest if we needed to select a line from a large number, say,  $2^8 = 256$ . Then two four-input MUXs could be used to provide the data selection of 1 of 8.



$I_1$	$I_0$	$F$
0	0	$D_0$
0	1	$D_1$
1	0	$D_2$
1	1	$D_3$

Truth table of 4-to-1 MUX

Figure 12.52 4-to-1 MUX

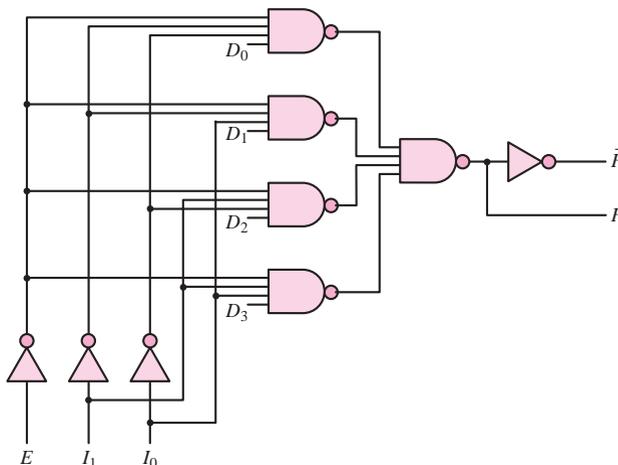
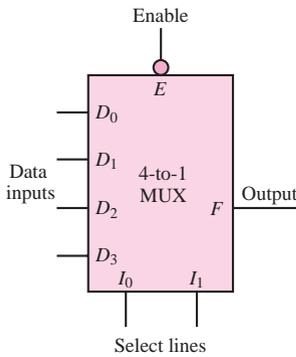


Figure 12.53 Internal structure of the 4-to-1 MUX



**Figure 12.54** Functional diagram of four-input MUX

The material described in previous sections is quite adequate to describe the internal workings of a multiplexer. Figure 12.53 shows the internal construction of a 4-to-1 MUX using exclusively NAND gates (inverters are also used, but the reader will recall that a NAND gate can act as an inverter if properly connected).

In the design of digital systems (e.g., microprocessors), a single line is often required to carry two or more different digital signals. However, only one signal at a time can be placed on the line. A MUX will allow us to select, at different instants, the signal we wish to place on this single line. This property is shown here for a 4-to-1 MUX. Figure 12.54 depicts the functional diagram of a 4-to-1 MUX, showing four data lines,  $D_0$  through  $D_3$ , and two select lines,  $I_0$  and  $I_1$ .

The data selector function of a MUX is best understood in terms of Table 12.12. In this truth table, the  $x$ s represent don't care entries. As can be seen from the truth table, the output selects one of the data lines depending on the values of  $I_1$  and  $I_0$ , assuming that  $I_0$  is the least significant bit. As an example,  $I_1I_0 = 10$  selects  $D_2$ , which means that the output  $F$  will select the value of the data line  $D_2$ . Therefore  $F = 1$  if  $D_2 = 1$  and  $F = 0$  if  $D_2 = 0$ .

**Table 12.12**

$I_1$	$I_0$	$D_3$	$D_2$	$D_1$	$D_0$	$F$
0	0	$x$	$x$	$x$	0	0
0	0	$x$	$x$	$x$	1	1
0	1	$x$	$x$	0	$x$	0
0	1	$x$	$x$	1	$x$	1
1	0	$x$	0	$x$	$x$	0
1	0	$x$	1	$x$	$x$	1
1	1	0	$x$	$x$	$x$	0
1	1	1	$x$	$x$	$x$	1



**CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING**

- Which combination of the control lines will select the data line  $D_3$  for a 4-to-1 MUX?
- Show that an 8-to-1 MUX with eight data inputs ( $D_0$  through  $D_7$ ) and three control lines ( $I_0$  through  $I_2$ ) can be used as a data selector. Which combination of the control lines will select the data line  $D_5$ ?
- Which combination of the control lines will select the data line  $D_4$  for an 8-to-1 MUX?

Answers:  $I_2I_1I_0 = 111$ ; For the first part, use the same method as in the preceding Check Your Understanding exercise, but for an 8-to-1 MUX. For the second part,  $I_2I_1I_0 = 101$ ;  $I_2I_1I_0 = 100$

**Read-Only Memory (ROM)**

Another common technique for implementing logic functions uses a **read-only memory**, or **ROM**. As the name implies, a ROM is a logic circuit that holds information in storage (“memory”) —in the form of binary numbers—that cannot be altered but can be “read” by a logic circuit. A ROM is an array of memory cells, each of which can store either a 1 or a 0. The array consists of  $2^m \times n$  cells, where  $n$  is the number of bits in each word stored in ROM. To access the information stored in

ROM,  $m$  address lines are required. When an address is selected, in a fashion similar to the operation of the MUX, the binary word corresponding to the address selected appears at the output, which consists of  $n$  bits, that is, the same number of bits as the stored words. In some sense, a ROM can be thought of as a MUX that has an output consisting of a word instead of a single bit.

Figure 12.55 depicts the conceptual arrangement of a ROM with  $n = 4$  and  $m = 2$ . The ROM table has been filled with arbitrary 4-bit words, just for the purpose of illustration. In Figure 12.55, if one were to select an enable input of 0 (i.e., on) and values for the address lines of  $I_0 = 0$  and  $I_1 = 1$ , the output word would be  $W_2 = 0110$ , so that  $b_0 = 0, b_1 = 1, b_2 = 1, b_3 = 0$ . Depending on the content of the ROM and the number of address and output lines, one could implement an arbitrary logic function.

Unfortunately, the data stored in read-only memories must be entered during fabrication and cannot be altered later. A much more convenient type of read-only memory is the **erasable programmable read-only memory (EPROM)**, the content of which can be easily programmed and stored and may be changed if needed. EPROMs find use in many practical applications, because of their flexibility in content and ease of programming.

ROM address		ROM content (4-bit words)				
$I_1$	$I_0$	$b_3$	$b_2$	$b_1$	$b_0$	
0	0	0	1	1	0	$W_0$
0	1	1	0	0	1	$W_1$
1	0	0	1	1	0	$W_2$
1	1	1	1	1	1	$W_3$

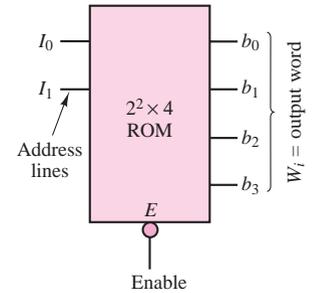


Figure 12.55 Read-only memory

### CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

How many address inputs do you need if the number of words in a memory array is 16?

Answer: Four



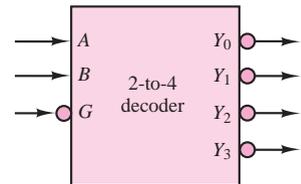
### Decoders and Read and Write Memory

**Decoders**, which are commonly used for applications such as address decoding or memory expansion, are combinational logic circuits as well. Our reason for introducing decoders is to show some of the internal organization of semiconductor memory devices. An important application of decoders is the organization of a memory system.

Figure 12.56 shows the truth table for a 2-to-4 decoder. The decoder has an enable input  $\bar{G}$  and select inputs  $B$  and  $A$ . It also has four outputs,  $Y_0$  through  $Y_3$ . When the enable input is logic 1, all decoder outputs are forced to logic 1 regardless of the select inputs.

This simple description of decoders permits a brief discussion of the internal organization of an **SRAM (static random-access, or read and write, memory)**. SRAM is internally organized to provide memory with high speed (i.e., short access time), a large bit capacity, and low cost. The memory array in this memory device has a column length equal to the number of words  $W$  and a row length equal to the number of bits per word  $N$ . To select a word, an  $n$ -to- $W$  decoder is needed. Since the address inputs to the decoder select only one of the decoder's outputs, the decoder selects one word in the memory array. Figure 12.57 shows the internal organization of a typical SRAM.

Thus, to choose the desired word from the memory array, the proper address inputs are required. As an example, if the number of words in the memory array is 8, a 3-to-8 decoder is needed.



Enable	Inputs		Outputs			
	$\bar{G}$	Select	$Y_0$	$Y_1$	$Y_2$	$Y_3$
1	x	x	1	1	1	1
0	0	0	0	1	1	1
0	0	1	1	0	1	1
0	1	0	1	1	0	1
0	1	1	1	1	1	0

Figure 12.56 A 2-to-4 decoder



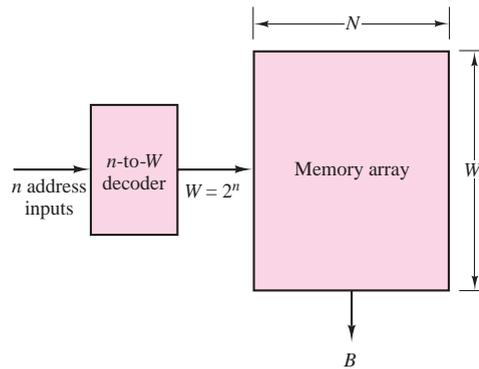


Figure 12.57 Internal organization of SRAM

### Gate Arrays and Programmable Logic Devices

Digital logic design is performed today primarily using **programmable logic devices (PLDs)**. These are arrays of gates having interconnections that can be programmed to perform a specific logical function. PLDs are large combinational logic modules consisting of arrays of AND and OR gates that can be programmed using special programming languages called **Hardware description languages (HDLs)**. Figure 12.58 shows the block diagram of one type of high-density PLD. We define three types of PLDs:

**PROM (programmable read-only memory)** offers high speed and low cost for relatively small designs.

**PLA (programmable logic array)** offers flexible features for more complex designs.

**PAL/GAL (programmable array logic/generic array logic)** offers good flexibility and is faster and less expensive than a PLA.

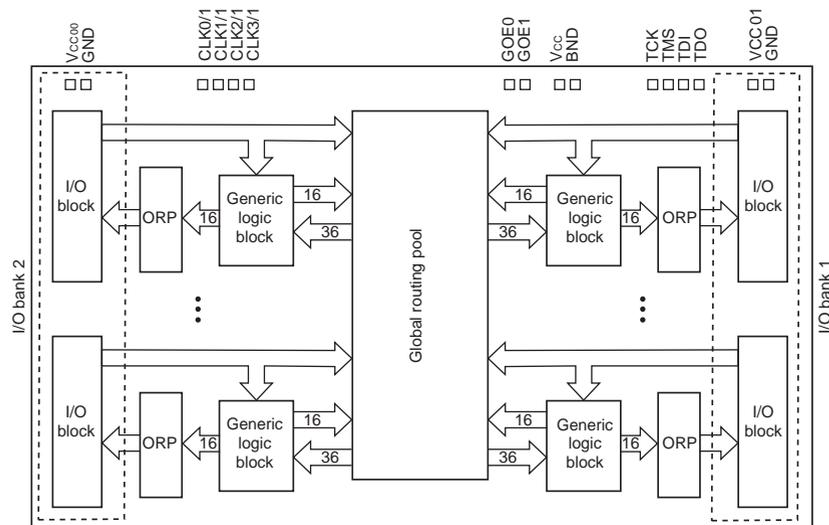


Figure 12.58 High-density PLD

To illustrate the concept of a logic design using a PLD, we employ a generic array logic (ispGAL16V8) to realize an output signal from three ANDed input signals. The functional block diagram of the GAL is shown in Figure 12.59(a). Notice that the device has eight input lines and eight output lines. The output lines also provide a clock input for timing purposes. The sample code is shown in Figure 12.59(b). The code first defines the inputs and outputs; and it states the equation describing the function to be implemented,  $O14 = I11 \& I12 \& I13$ , defining which output and inputs are to be used, and the functional relationship. Note that the symbol  $\&$  represents the logical function AND.

A second example of the use of a PLD introduces the concept of timing diagrams. Figure 12.60 depicts a timing diagram related to an automotive fuel injection system, in which multiple injections are to be performed. Three *pilot* injections and one *primary* injection are to be performed. The *master control* line enables the entire sequence. The resulting output sequence, shown at the bottom of the plot and labeled

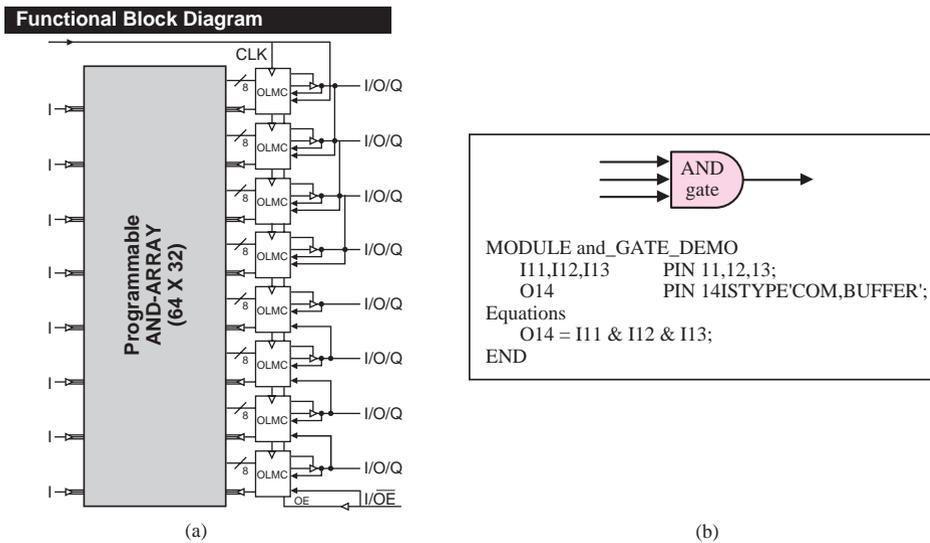


Figure 12.59 (a) The ispGAL16V8 connection diagram; (b) sample code for AND function (for ispGAL16V8).

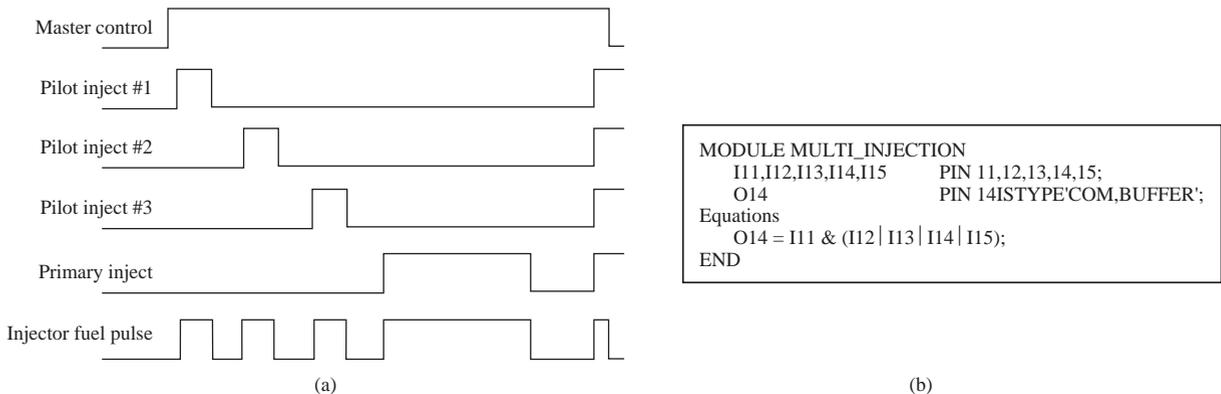


Figure 12.60 (a) Injector timing sequence; (b) sample code for multiple-injection sequence

“injector fuel pulse,” is the combination of the three pilot pulses and the primary pulse. Based on the timing plot of the signals shown in Figure 12.60(a), we use the following inputs: I11=master control, I12=pilot inject #1, I13=pilot inject #2, I14=pilot inject #3, I14=primary inject, and the output O14=injector fuel pulse. You should convince yourself that the required function is

$$I11 \text{ AND } [I12 \text{ OR } I13 \text{ OR } I14 \text{ OR } I14]$$

This function is realized by the code in Figure 12.60(b). Note that the symbol | represents the logical function OR.

## 12.6 SEQUENTIAL LOGIC MODULES

The feature that distinguishes combinational logic devices from the other major family—**sequential logic devices**—is that combinational logic circuits provide outputs that are based on a combination of present inputs only. On the other hand, sequential logic circuits depend on present and past input values. Because of this “memory” property, sequential circuits can store information; this capability opens a whole new area of application for digital logic circuits.

### Latches and Flip-Flops

The basic information storage device in a digital circuit is called a **flip-flop**. There are many different varieties of flip-flops; however, all flip-flops share the following characteristics:

1. A flip-flop is a **bistable device**; that is, it can remain in one of two stable states (0 and 1) until appropriate conditions cause it to change state. Thus, a flip-flop can serve as a memory element.
2. A flip-flop has two outputs, one of which is the complement of the other.

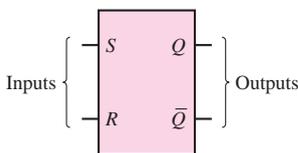
### RS Flip-Flop

It is customary to depict flip-flops by their block diagram and a name, such as  $Q$  or  $X$ , representing the output variable. Figure 12.61 represents the **RS flip-flop**, which has two inputs, denoted by  $S$  and  $R$ , and two outputs  $Q$  and  $\bar{Q}$ . The value at  $Q$  is called the *state* of the flip-flop. If  $Q = 1$ , we refer to the device as *being in the 1 state*. Thus, we need define only one of the two outputs of the flip-flop. The two inputs  $R$  and  $S$  are used to change the state of the flip-flop, according to the following rules:

1. When  $R = S = 0$ , the flip-flop remains in its present state (whether 1 or 0).
2. When  $S = 1$  and  $R = 0$ , the flip-flop is *set* to the 1 state (thus,  $S$ , for **set**).
3. When  $S = 0$  and  $R = 1$ , the flip-flop is *reset* to the 0 state (thus,  $R$ , for **reset**).
4. It is not permitted for both  $S$  and  $R$  to be equal to 1. (This would correspond to requiring the flip-flop to set and reset at the same time.)

The rules just described are easily remembered by noting that 1s on the  $S$  and  $R$  inputs correspond to the set and reset commands, respectively.

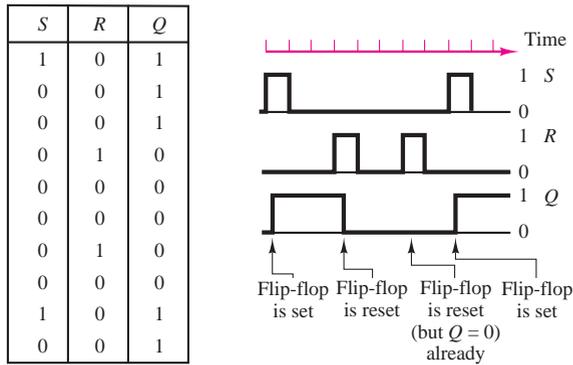
A convenient means of describing the series of transitions that occur as the signals sent to the flip-flop inputs change is the **timing diagram**. A timing diagram is a graph of the inputs and outputs of the RS flip-flop (or any other logic device) depicting the transitions that occur over time. In effect, one could also represent these transitions in tabular form; however, the timing diagram provides a convenient visual



$S$	$R$	$Q$
0	0	Present state
0	1	Reset
1	0	Set
1	1	Disallowed

**Figure 12.61** RS flip-flop symbol and truth table





**Figure 12.62** Timing diagram for the RS flip-flop

representation of the evolution of the state of the flip-flop. Figure 12.62 depicts a table of transitions for an RS flip-flop  $Q$  as well as the corresponding timing diagram.

It is important to note that the RS flip-flop is **level-sensitive**. This means that the set and reset operations are completed only after the  $R$  and  $S$  inputs have reached the appropriate levels. Thus, in Figure 12.62 we show the transitions in the  $Q$  output as occurring with a small delay relative to the transitions in the  $R$  and  $S$  inputs.

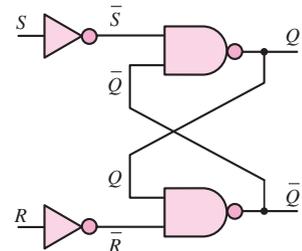
It is instructive to illustrate how an RS flip-flop can be constructed using simple logic gates. For example, Figure 12.63 depicts a realization of such a circuit consisting of four gates: two inverters and two NAND gates (actually, the same result could be achieved with four NAND gates). Consider the case in which the circuit is in the initial state  $Q = 0$  (and therefore  $\bar{Q} = 1$ ). If the input  $S = 1$  is applied, the top NOT gate will see inputs  $\bar{Q} = 1$  and  $\bar{S} = 0$ , so that  $Q = (\bar{S} \cdot \bar{Q}) = (0 \cdot 1) = 1$ —that is, the flip-flop is set. Note that when  $Q$  is set to 1,  $\bar{Q}$  becomes 0. This, however, does not affect the state of the  $Q$  output, since replacing  $\bar{Q}$  with 0 in the expression

$$Q = (\bar{S} \cdot \bar{Q})$$

does not change the result:

$$Q = (\bar{0} \cdot 0) = 1$$

Thus, the cross-coupled feedback from outputs  $Q$  and  $\bar{Q}$  to the input of the NAND gates is such that the set condition sustains itself. It is straightforward to show (by symmetry) that a 1 input on the  $R$  line causes the device to reset (i.e., causes  $Q = 0$ ) and that this condition is also self-sustaining.



**Figure 12.63** Logic gate implementation of the RS flip-flop

**EXAMPLE 12.21 RS Flip-Flop Timing Diagram**

**Problem**

Determine the output of an RS flip-flop for the series of inputs given in the table below.

R	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
S	1	0	1	0	0	1	0



### Solution

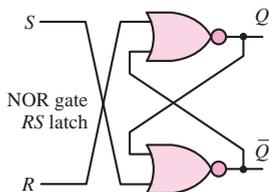
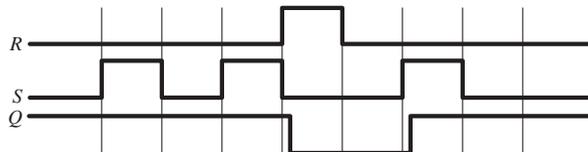
**Known Quantities:** *RS* flip-flop truth table (Figure 12.61).

**Find:** Output  $Q$  of *RS* flip-flop.

**Analysis:** We complete the timing diagram for the *RS* flip-flop, following the rules stated earlier to determine the output of the device; the result is summarized below.

$R$	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
$S$	1	0	1	0	0	1	0
$Q$	1	1	1	0	0	1	1

A sketch of the waveforms, shown below, can also be generated to visualize the transitions.



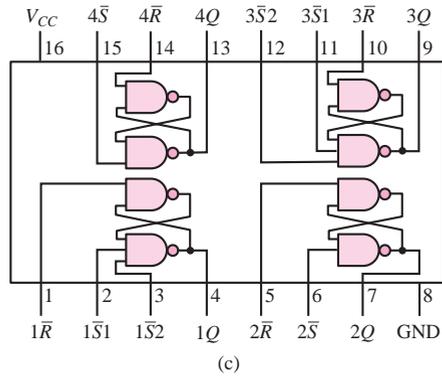
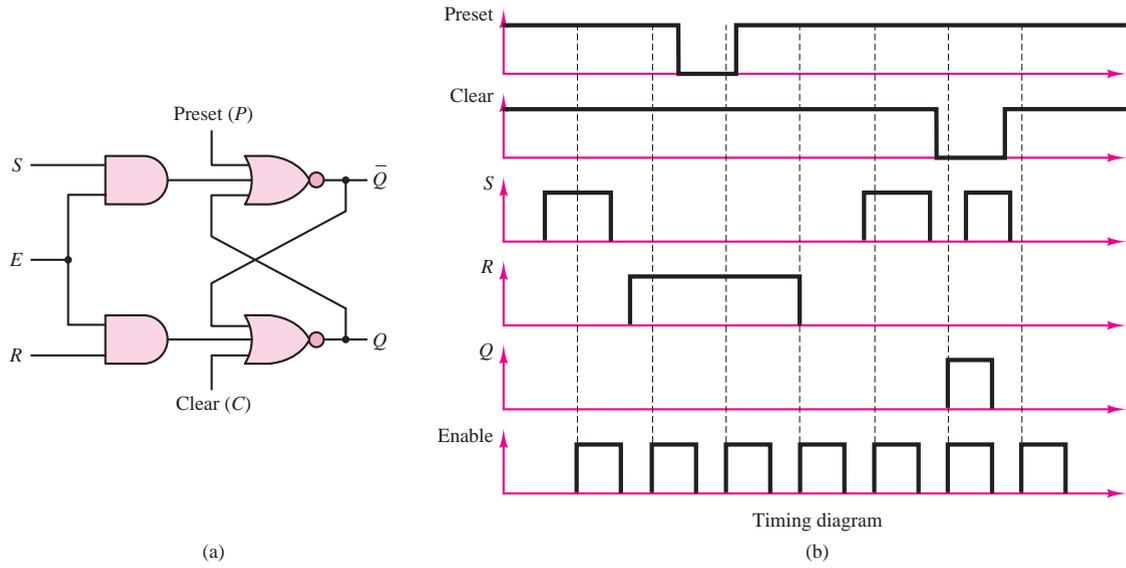
### CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

The circuit shown in the figure also serves as an *RS* flip-flop and requires only two NOR gates. Analyze the circuit to prove that it operates as an *RS* flip-flop. (*Hint:* Use a truth table with two variables,  $S$  and  $R$ .)

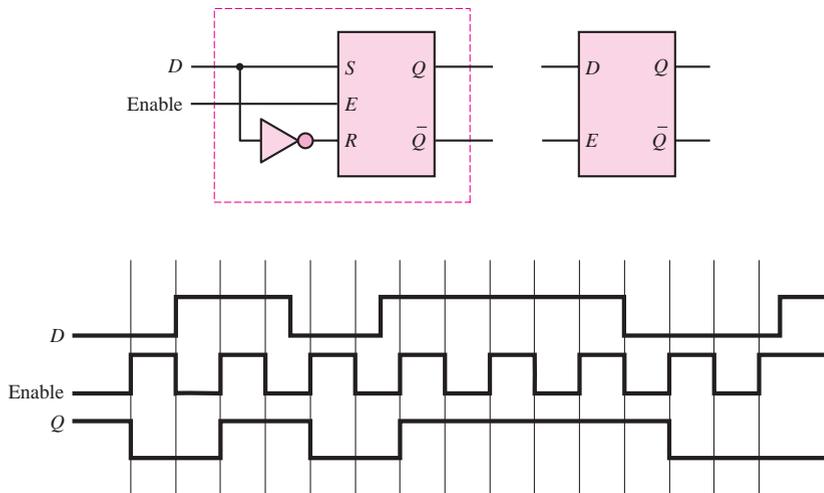
An extension of the *RS* flip-flop includes an additional enable input that is *gated* into each of the other two inputs. Figure 12.64 depicts an *RS* flip-flop consisting of two NOR gates. In addition, an enable input is connected through two AND gates to the *RS* flip-flop, so that an input to the  $R$  or  $S$  line will be effective only when the enable input is 1. Thus, any transitions will be controlled by the enable input, which acts as a synchronizing signal. The enable signal may consist of a **clock**, in which case the flip-flop is said to be **clocked** and its operation is said to be **synchronous**.

The same circuit of Figure 12.64 can be used to illustrate two additional features of flip-flops: the **preset** and **clear** functions, denoted by the inputs  $P$  and  $C$ , respectively. When  $P$  and  $C$  are 0, they do not affect the operation of the flip-flop. Setting  $P = 1$  corresponds to setting  $S = 1$  and therefore causes the flip-flop to go into the 1 state. Thus, the term *preset*: this function allows the user to preset the flip-flop to 1 at any time. When  $C$  is 1, the flip-flop is reset, or *cleared* (that is,  $Q$  is made equal to 0). Note that these direct inputs are, in general, asynchronous; therefore, they allow the user to preset or clear the flip-flop at any time. A set of timing waveforms illustrating the function of the enable, preset, and clear inputs is also shown in Figure 12.64. Note how transitions occur only when the enable input goes high (unless the preset or clear inputs are used to override the *RS* inputs).

Another extension of the *RS* flip-flop, called the **data latch**, or **delay element**, is shown in Figure 12.65. In this circuit, the  $R$  input is always equal to the inverted  $S$  input, so that whenever the enable input is high, the flip-flop is set. This device has the



**Figure 12.64** The RS flip-flop with enable, preset, and clear lines: (a) logic diagram; (b) timing diagram; (c) IC schematic

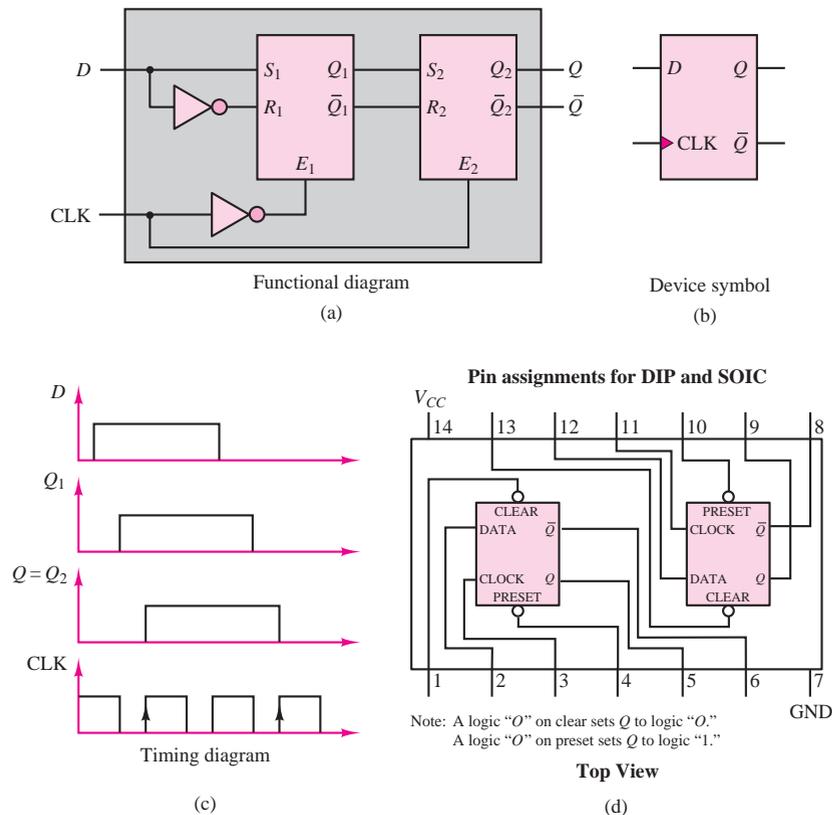


**Figure 12.65** Data latch and associated timing diagram

dual advantage of avoiding the potential conflict that might arise if both  $R$  and  $S$  were high and reducing the number of input connections by eliminating the reset input. This circuit is called a data latch or delay because once the enable input goes low, the flip-flop is latched to the previous value of the input. Thus, this device can serve as a basic memory element, delaying the output by one clock count with respect to the input.

### **D Flip-Flop**

The **D flip-flop** is an extension of the data latch that utilizes two  $RS$  flip-flops, as shown in Figure 12.66. In this circuit, a clock is connected to the enable input of each flip-flop. Since  $Q_1$  sees an inverted clock signal, the latch is enabled when the clock waveform goes low. However, since  $Q_2$  is disabled when the clock is low, the output of the  $D$  flip-flop will not switch to the 1 state until the clock goes high, enabling the second latch and transferring the state of  $Q_1$  to  $Q_2$ . It is important to note that the  $D$  flip-flop changes state only on the positive edge of the clock waveform:  $Q_1$  is set on the negative edge of the clock, and  $Q_2$  (and therefore  $Q$ ) is set on the positive edge of the clock, as shown in the timing diagram of Figure 12.66. This type of device is said to be **edge-triggered**. This feature is indicated by the “knife-edge” drawn next to the CLK input in the device symbol. The particular device described here is said to be positive edge-triggered, or **leading edge-triggered**, since the final output of the flip-flop is set on a positive-going clock transition.



**Figure 12.66** The  $D$  flip-flop: (a) functional diagram; (b) symbol; (c) timing waveforms; and (d) IC schematic

On the basis of the rules stated in this section, the state of the *D* flip-flop can be described by the following truth table:

<i>D</i>	CLK	<i>Q</i>
0	↑	0
1	↑	1



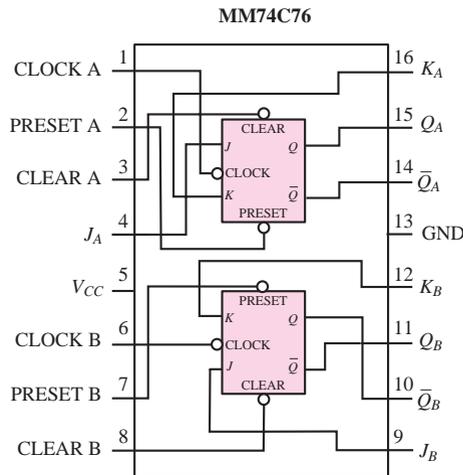
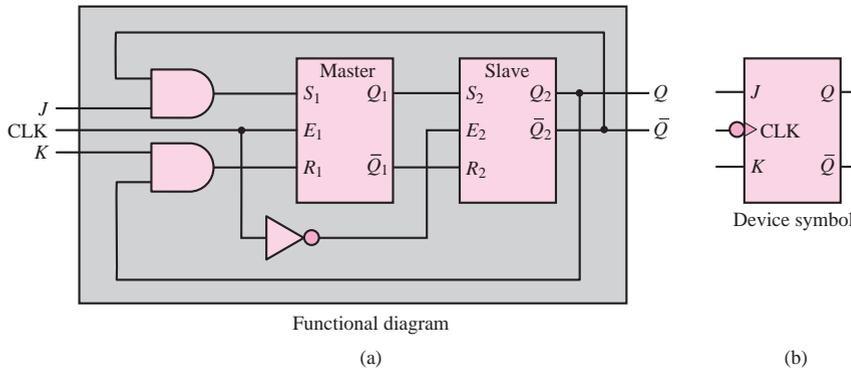
where the symbol ↑ indicates the occurrence of a positive transition.

### JK Flip-Flop

Another very common type of flip-flop is the **JK flip-flop**, shown in Figure 12.67. The *JK* flip-flop operates according to the following rules:



- When *J* and *K* are both low, no change occurs in the state of the flip-flop.
- When *J* = 0 and *K* = 1, the flip-flop is reset to 0.

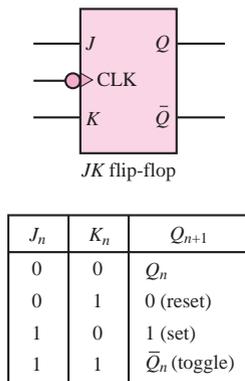


Note: A logic "0" on clear sets *Q* to logic "0."  
A logic "0" on preset sets *Q* to logic "1."

Top View

(c)

**Figure 12.67** The *JK* flip-flop: (a) functional diagram; (b) device symbol; and (c) IC schematic



**Figure 12.68** Truth table for the  $JK$  flip-flop



- When  $J = 1$  and  $K = 0$ , the flip-flop is set to 1.
- When both  $J$  and  $K$  are high, the flip-flop will toggle between states at every negative transition of the clock input, denoted from here on by the symbol  $\downarrow$ .

Note that, functionally, the operation of the  $JK$  flip-flop can also be explained in terms of two  $RS$  flip-flops. When the clock waveform goes high, the *master* flip-flop is enabled; the *slave* receives the state of the master upon a negative clock transition. The *bubble* at the clock input signifies that the device is negative or **trailing edge-triggered**. This behavior is similar to that of an  $RS$  flip-flop, except for the  $J = 1, K = 1$  condition, which corresponds to a toggle mode rather than to a disallowed combination of inputs.

Figure 12.68 depicts the truth table for the  $JK$  flip-flop. It is important to note that when both inputs are 0, the flip-flop remains in its previous state at the occurrence of a clock transition; when either input is high and the other is low, the  $JK$  flip-flop behaves as the  $RS$  flip-flop, whereas if both inputs are high, the output “toggles” between states every time the clock waveform undergoes a negative transition.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Derive the detailed truth table and draw a timing diagram for the  $JK$  flip-flop, using the model of Figure 12.67 with two flip-flops.



## EXAMPLE 12.22 The $T$ Flip-Flop

### Problem

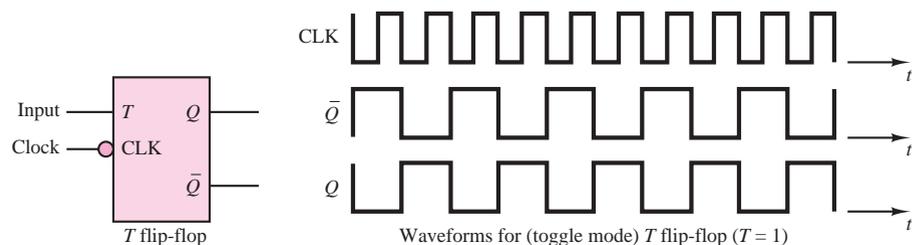
Determine the truth table and timing diagram of the  **$T$  flip-flop** of Figure 12.69. Note that the  $T$  flip-flop is a  $JK$  flip-flop with its inputs tied together.

### Solution

**Known Quantities:**  $JK$  flip-flop rules of operation (Figure 12.68).

**Find:** Truth table and timing diagram for  $T$  flip-flop.

**Analysis:** We recognize that the  $T$  flip-flop is a  $JK$  flip-flop with its inputs tied together. Thus, the flip-flop will need only a two-element truth table to describe its operation, corresponding



**Figure 12.69** The  $T$  flip-flop symbol and timing waveforms

to the top and bottom entries in the  $JK$  flip-flop truth table of Figure 12.68. The truth table is shown below. A timing diagram is also included in Figure 12.69.

$T$	CLK	$Q_{k+1}$
0	↓	$Q_k$
1	↓	$\overline{Q_k}$

**Comments:** The  $T$  flip-flop takes its name from the fact that it *toggles* between the high and low states. Note that the toggling frequency is one-half that of the clock. Thus the  $T$  flip-flop also acts as a *divide-by-2* counter. Counters are explored in greater detail in the next section.

**EXAMPLE 12.23 The JK Flip-Flop Timing Diagram**



**Problem**

Determine the output of a  $JK$  flip-flop for the series of inputs given in the table below. The initial state of the flip-flop is  $Q_0 = 1$ .

$J$	0	1	0	1	0	0	1
$K$	0	1	1	0	0	1	1

**Solution**

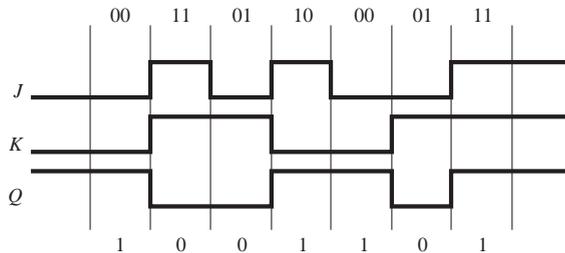
**Known Quantities:**  $JK$  flip-flop truth table (Figure 12.68).

**Find:** Output of  $RS$  flip-flop  $Q$  as a function of the input transitions.

**Analysis:** We complete the timing diagram for the  $JK$  flip-flop, following the rules of Figure 12.68; the result is summarized next.

$J$	0	1	0	1	0	0	1
$K$	0	1	1	0	0	1	1
$Q$	1	0	0	1	1	0	1

A sketch of the waveforms, shown below, can also be generated to visualize the transitions. Each vertical line corresponds to a clock transition.



**Comments:** How would the timing diagram change if the initial state of the flip-flop were  $Q_0 = 1$ ?

## Digital Counters

One of the more immediate applications of flip-flops is in the design of **counters**. A counter is a sequential logic device that can take one of  $N$  possible states, stepping through these states in a sequential fashion. When the counter has reached its last state, it resets to 0 and is ready to start counting again. For example, a 3-bit **binary up counter** would have  $2^3 = 8$  possible states, and might appear as shown in the functional block of Figure 12.70. The input clock waveform causes the counter to step through the eight states, making one transition for each clock pulse. We shall shortly see that a string of  $JK$  flip-flops can accomplish this task exactly. The device shown in Figure 12.70 also displays a reset input, which forces the counter output to equal 0:  $b_2b_1b_0 = 000$ .

Although binary counters are very useful in many applications, one is often interested in a **decade counter**, that is, a counter that counts from 0 to 9 and then resets. A 4-bit binary counter can easily be configured in principle to provide this function by means of simple logic that resets the counter when it has reached the count  $1001_2 = 9_{10}$ . As shown in Figure 12.71, if we connect bits  $b_3$  and  $b_1$  to a four-input AND gate, along with  $\bar{b}_2$  and  $\bar{b}_0$ , the output of the AND gate can be used to reset the counter after a count of 10. Additional logic can provide a *carry* bit whenever a reset condition is reached, which could be passed along to another decade counter, enabling counts up to 99. Decade counters can be cascaded so as to represent decimal digits in succession.

Although the decade counter of Figure 12.71 is attractive because of its simplicity, this configuration would never be used in practice, because of the presence of **propagation delays**. These delays are caused by the finite response time of the individual transistors in each logic device and cannot be guaranteed to be identical for each gate and flip-flop. Thus, if the reset signal—which is presumed to be applied at exactly the same time to each of the four  $JK$  flip-flops in the 4-bit binary counter—does not cause the  $JK$  flip-flops to reset at exactly the same time on account of different propagation delays, then the binary word appearing at the output of the counter will change from 1001 to some other number, and the output of the four-input NAND gate will no longer be high. In such a condition, the flip-flops that have not already reset will then not be able to reset, and the counting sequence will be irreparably compromised.

What can be done to obviate this problem? The answer is to use a systematic approach to the design of sequential circuits, making use of **state transition diagrams**.

A simple implementation of the binary counter we have described in terms of its functional behavior is shown in Figure 12.72. The figure depicts a 3-bit binary **ripple counter**, which is obtained from a cascade of three  $JK$  flip-flops. The transition table shown in the figure illustrates how the  $Q$  output of each stage becomes the clock input to the next stage, while each flip-flop is held in the toggle mode. The output transitions assume that the clock (CLK) is a simple square wave (all  $JK$ s are negative edge-triggered).

This 3-bit ripple counter can easily be configured as a divide-by-8 mechanism, simply by adding an AND gate. To divide the input clock rate by 8, one output pulse should be generated for every eight clock pulses. If one were to output a pulse every time a binary 111 combination occurred, a simple AND gate would suffice to generate the required condition. This solution is shown in Figure 12.73. Note that the square wave is also included as an input to the AND gate; this ensures that the output is only as wide as the input signal. This application of ripple counters is further illustrated in Example 12.24

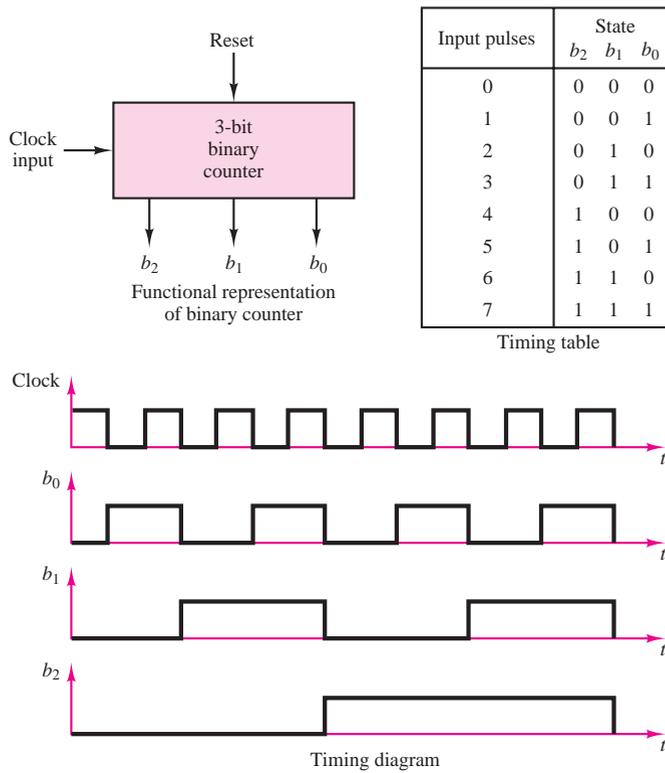


Figure 12.70 Binary up counter functional representation, state table, and timing waveforms

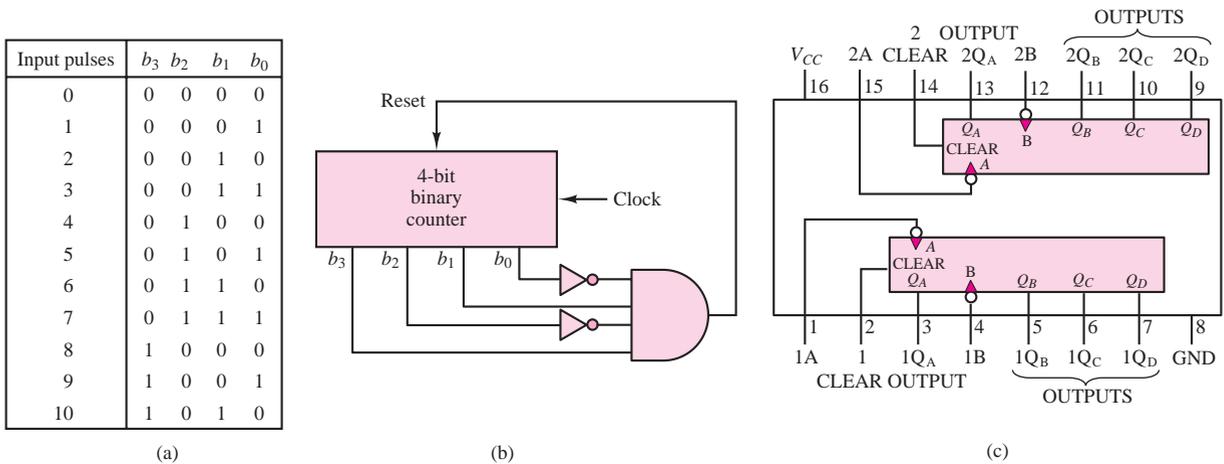
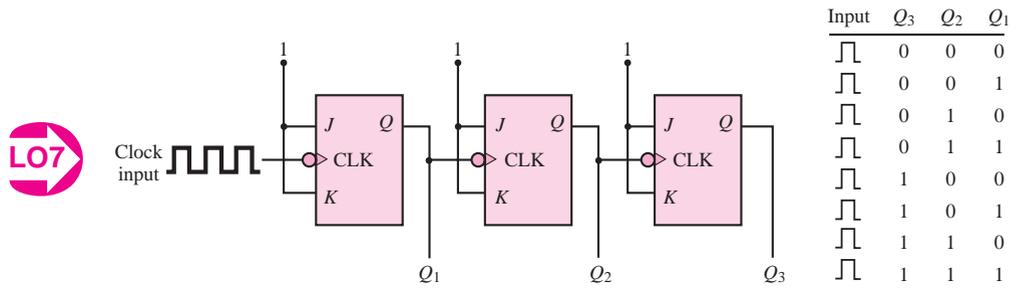
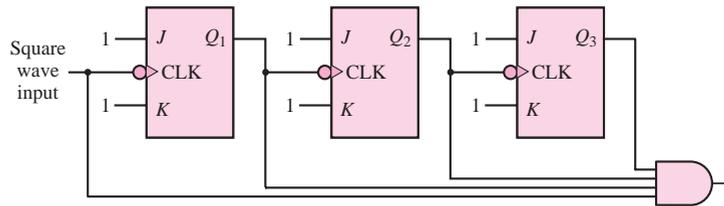


Figure 12.71 Decade counter: (a) counting sequence; (b) functional diagram; and (c) IC schematic



**Figure 12.72** Ripple counter



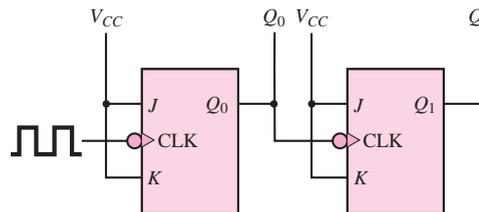
**Figure 12.73** Divide-by-8 circuit



**EXAMPLE 12.24 Divider Circuit**

**Problem**

A binary ripple counter provides a means of dividing the fixed output rate of a clock by powers of 2. For example, the circuit of Figure 12.74 is a divide-by-2 or divide-by-4 counter. Draw the timing diagrams for the clock input,  $Q_0$ , and  $Q_1$  to demonstrate these functions.



**Figure 12.74**

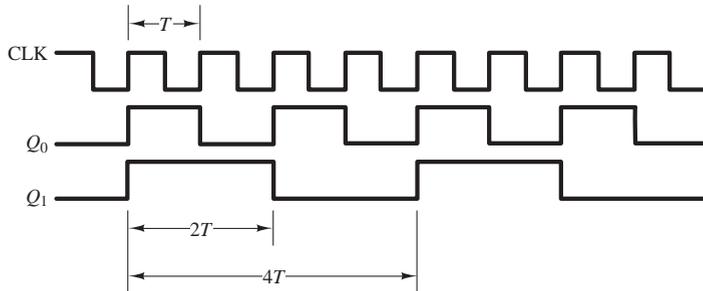
**Solution**

**Known Quantities:** JK flip-flop truth table (Figure 12.68).

**Find:** Output of each flip-flop  $Q$  as a function of the input clock transitions.

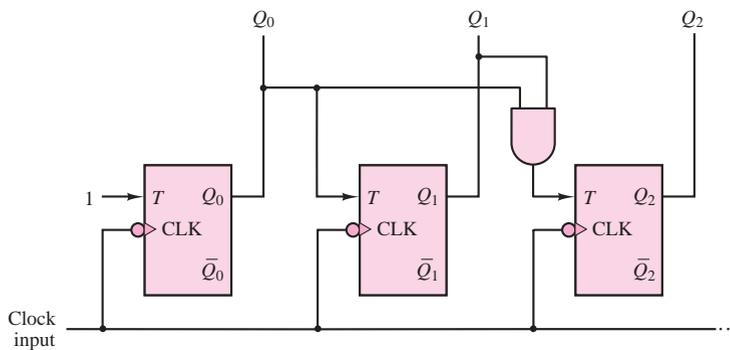
**Assumptions:** Assume positive edge-triggered devices. The DC supply voltage is  $V_{CC}$ .

**Analysis:** Following the timing diagram of Figure 12.75, we see that  $Q_0$  switches at one-half the frequency of the clock input, and that  $Q_1$  switches at one-half the frequency of  $Q_0$ , hence the timing diagram shown.



**Figure 12.75** Divider circuit timing diagram

A slightly more complex version of the binary counter is the **synchronous counter**, in which the input clock drives all the flip-flops simultaneously. Figure 12.76 depicts a 3-bit synchronous counter. In this figure, we have chosen to represent each flip-flop as a  $T$  flip-flop. The clocks to all the flip-flops are incremented simultaneously. The reader should verify that  $Q_0$  toggles to 1 first, and then  $Q_1$  toggles to 1, and that the AND gate ensures that  $Q_2$  will toggle only after  $Q_0$  and  $Q_1$  have both reached the 1 state ( $Q_0 \cdot Q_1 = 1$ ).



**Figure 12.76** Three-bit synchronous counter

Other common counters are the **ring counter**, illustrated in Example 12.25, and the **up-down counter**, which has an additional select input that determines whether the counter counts up or down.



### EXAMPLE 12.25 Ring Counter

#### Problem

Draw the timing diagram for the ring counter of Figure 12.77.

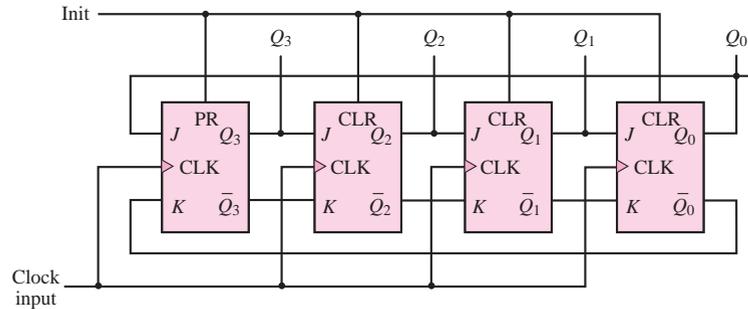


Figure 12.77 Ring counter

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** JK flip-flop truth table (Figure 12.68).

**Find:** Output of each flip-flop  $Q$  as a function of the input clock transitions.

**Assumptions:** Prior to application of the clock input, the Init line sees a positive transition [this initializes the counter by setting the state of the first flip-flop to 1 through a PR (preset) input, and all other states to zero through a CLR (clear) input].

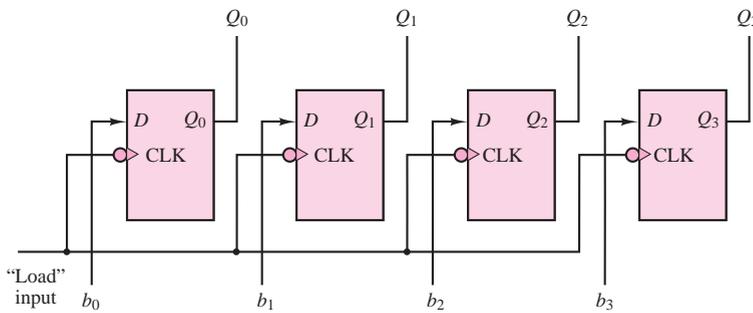
**Analysis:** With the initial state of  $Q_3 = 0$ , a clock transition will set  $Q_3 = 1$ . The clock also causes the other three flip-flops to see a reset input of 1, since  $Q_3 = Q_2 = Q_1 = Q_0 = 0$  at the time of the first clock pulse. Thus,  $Q_2$ ,  $Q_1$ , and  $Q_0$  remain in the 0 state. At the second clock pulse, since  $Q_3$  is now 1, the second flip-flop will see a set input of 1, and its output will become  $Q_2 = 1$ . Both  $Q_1$  and  $Q_0$  remain in the 0 state, and  $Q_3$  is reset to 0. The pattern continues, causing the 1 state to ripple from left to right and back again. This rightward rotation gives the counter its name. The transition table is shown below.

CLK	$Q_3$	$Q_2$	$Q_1$	$Q_0$
↑	1	0	0	0
↑	0	1	0	0
↑	0	0	1	0
↑	0	0	0	1
↑	1	0	0	0
↑	0	1	0	0
↑	0	0	1	0

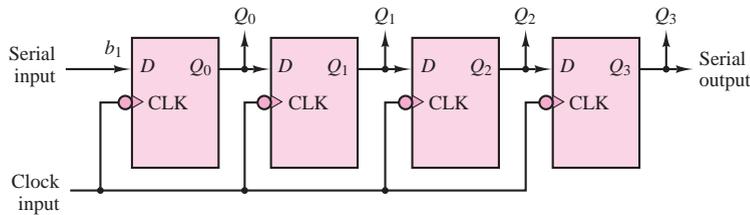
**Comments:** The shifting function implemented by the ring counter is used in the shift registers discussed in the following section.

## Registers

A register consists of a cascade of flip-flops that can store binary data, 1 bit in each flip-flop. The simplest type of register is the parallel input–parallel output register shown in Figure 12.78. In this register, the *load* input pulse, which acts on all clocks simultaneously, causes the parallel inputs  $b_0b_1b_2b_3$  to be transferred to the respective flip-flops. The *D* flip-flop employed in this register allows the transfer from  $b_n$  to  $Q_n$  to occur very directly. Thus, *D* flip-flops are very commonly used in this type of application. The binary word  $b_3b_2b_1b_0$  is now “stored,” each bit being represented by the state of a flip-flop. Until the load input is applied again and a new word appears at the parallel inputs, the register will preserve the stored word.



**Figure 12.78** A 4-bit parallel register



**Figure 12.79** A 4-bit shift register

The construction of the parallel register presumes that the  $N$ -bit word to be stored is available in parallel form. However, often a binary word will arrive in serial form, that is, 1 bit at a time. A register that can accommodate this type of logic signal is called a **shift register**. Figure 12.79 illustrates how the same basic structure of the parallel register applies to the shift register, except that the input is now applied to the first flip-flop and shifted along at each clock pulse. Note that this type of register provides both a serial and a parallel output.

## Conclusion

This chapter contains an overview of digital logic circuits. These circuits form the basis of all digital computers, and of most electronic devices used in industrial and consumer

applications. Upon completing this chapter, you should have mastered the following learning objectives:

1. *Understand the concepts of analog and digital signals and of quantization.*
2. *Convert between decimal and binary number systems and use the hexadecimal system and BCD and Gray codes.* The binary and hexadecimal systems form the basis of numerical computing.
3. *Write truth tables, and realize logic functions from truth tables using logic gates.* Boolean algebra permits the analysis of digital circuits through a relatively simple set of rules. Digital logic gates are the means through which one can implement logic functions; truth tables permit the easy visualization of logic functions and can aid in the realization of these functions by using logic gates.
4. *Systematically design logic functions using Karnaugh maps.* The design of logic circuits can be systematically approached by using an extension of truth tables called the Karnaugh map. Karnaugh maps facilitate the simplification of logic expressions and their realization through logic gates in either sum-of-products or product-of-sums form.
5. *Study various combinational logic modules, including multiplexers, memory and decoder elements, and programmable logic arrays.* Practical digital logic circuits rarely consist of individual logic gates; gates are usually integrated into combinational logic modules that include memory elements and gate arrays.
6. *Analyze the operation of sequential logic circuits.* Sequential logic circuits are digital logic circuits with memory capabilities; their operation is described by state transition tables and state diagrams.
7. *Understand the operation of digital counters.* Counters are a very important class of sequential logic circuits.

## HOMEWORK PROBLEMS

### Section 12.2: The Binary Number System

**12.1** Convert the following base-10 numbers to hexadecimal and binary:

- a. 401   b. 273   c. 15   d. 38   e. 56

**12.2** Convert the following hexadecimal numbers to base-10 and binary:

- a. A   b. 66   c. 47   d. 21   e. 13

**12.3** Convert the following base-10 numbers to binary:

- a. 271.25   b. 53.375   c. 37.32   d. 54.27

**12.4** Convert the following binary numbers to hexadecimal and base 10:

- a. 1111   b. 1001101   c. 1100101   d. 1011100  
e. 11101   f. 101000

**12.5** Perform the following additions, all in the binary system:

- a. 11001011 + 101111  
b. 10011001 + 1111011  
c. 11101001 + 10011011

**12.6** Perform the following subtractions, all in the binary system:

- a. 10001011 – 1101111  
b. 10101001 – 111011  
c. 11000011 – 10111011

**12.7** Assuming that the most significant bit is the sign bit, find the decimal value of the following sign-magnitude form 8-bit binary numbers:

- a. 11111000   b. 10011111   c. 01111001

**12.8** Find the sign-magnitude form binary representation of the following decimal numbers:

- a. 126   b. –126   c. 108   d. –98

**12.9** Find the twos complement of the following binary numbers:

- a. 1111   b. 1001101   c. 1011100   d. 11101

**12.10** Assuming you have 10 fingers, including thumbs:

- a. How high can you count on your fingers in a binary (base 2) number system?

- b. How high can you count on your fingers in base 6, using one hand to count units and the other hand for the carries?

**Section 12.3: Boolean Algebra**

**12.11** Use a truth table to prove that  $B = AB + \bar{A}B$ .

**12.12** Use truth tables to prove that

$$BC + B\bar{C} + \bar{B}A = A + B.$$

**12.13** Using the method of proof by perfect induction, show that

$$(X + Y) \cdot (\bar{X} + X \cdot Y) = Y$$

**12.14** Using De Morgan's theorems and the rules of boolean algebra, simplify the following logic function:

$$F(X, Y, Z) = \bar{X} \cdot \bar{Y} \cdot \bar{Z} + \bar{X} \cdot Y \cdot Z + X \cdot (\bar{Y} + \bar{Z})$$

**12.15** Simplify the expression

$$f(A, B, C, D) = ABC + \bar{A}CD + \bar{B}CD$$

**12.16** Simplify the logic function  $F(A, B, C) =$

$$\bar{A} \cdot B \cdot \bar{C} + \bar{A} \cdot B \cdot C + A \cdot B \cdot \bar{C} + A \cdot B \cdot C,$$

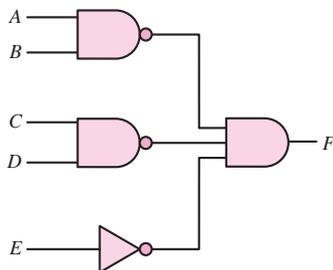
using boolean algebra.

**12.17** Find the logic function defined by the truth table given in Figure P12.17.

A	B	C	F
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	1
1	0	0	1
1	0	1	1
1	1	0	1
1	1	1	1

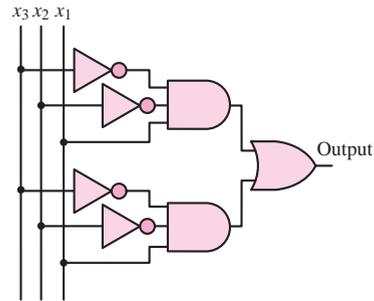
**Figure P12.17**

**12.18** Determine the boolean function describing the operation of the circuit shown in Figure P12.18.



**Figure P12.18**

**12.19** Use a truth table to show when the output of the circuit of Figure P12.19 is 1.



**Figure P12.19**

**12.20** Baseball is a complicated game, and often the manager has a difficult time keeping track of all the rules of thumb that guide decisions. To assist your favorite baseball team, you have been asked to design a logic circuit that will flash a light when the manager should give the steal sign. The rules have been laid out for you by a baseball fan with limited knowledge of the game as follows: Give the steal sign if there is a runner on first base and

- a. There are no other runners, the pitcher is right-handed, and the runner is fast or
- b. There is one other runner on third base, and one of the runners is fast or
- c. There is one other runner on second base, the pitcher is left-handed, and both runners are fast.

Under no circumstances should the steal sign be given if all three bases have runners. Design a logic circuit that implements these rules to indicate when the steal sign should be given.

**12.21** A small county board is composed of three commissioners. Each commissioner votes on measures presented to the board by pressing a button indicating whether the commissioner votes for or against a measure. If two or more commissioners vote for a measure, it passes. Design a logic circuit that takes the three votes as inputs and lights either a green or a red light to indicate whether a measure passed.

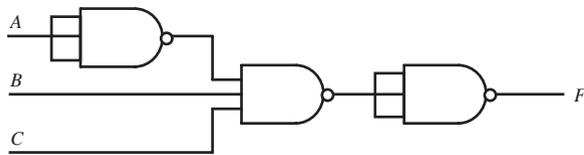
**12.22** A water purification plant uses one tank for chemical sterilization and a second, larger tank for settling and aeration. Each tank is equipped with two sensors that measure the height of water in each tank and the flow rate of water into each tank. When the height of water or the flow rate is too high, the sensors produce a logic high output. Design a logic circuit that sounds an alarm whenever the height of water in both tanks is too high and either of the flow rates is too high, or whenever both flow rates are too high and the height of water in either tank is also too high.

**12.23** Many automobiles incorporate logic circuits to alert the driver to problems or potential problems. In one particular car, a buzzer is sounded whenever the ignition key is turned and either a door is open or a seat belt is not fastened. The buzzer also sounds when the key is not turned but the lights are on. In addition, the car will not start unless the key is in the ignition, the car is in park, and all doors are closed and seat belts fastened. Design a logic circuit that takes all the inputs listed and sounds the buzzer and starts the car when appropriate.

**12.24** An on/off start-up signal governs the compressor motor of a large commercial air conditioning unit. In general, the start-up signal should be on whenever the output of a temperature sensor  $S$  exceeds a reference temperature. However, you are asked to limit the compressor start-ups to certain hours of the day and also enable service technicians to start up or shut down the compressor through a manual override. A time-of-day indicator  $D$  is available with on/off outputs, as is a manual override switch  $M$ . A separate timer  $T$  prohibits a compressor start-up within 10 min of a previous shutdown. Design a logic diagram that incorporates the state of all four devices ( $S$ ,  $D$ ,  $M$ , and  $T$ ) and produces the correct on/off condition for the motor start-up.

**12.25** NAND gates require one less transistor than AND gates. They are often used exclusively to construct logic circuits. One such logic circuit that uses three-input NAND gates is shown in Figure P12.25.

- Determine the truth table for this circuit.
- Give the logic equation that represents the circuit (you do not need to reduce it).

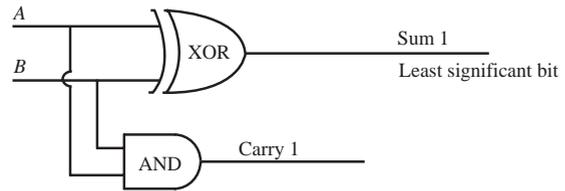


**Figure P12.25**

**12.26** Draw a logic circuit that will accomplish the equation:

$$F = (A + \bar{B}) \cdot \overline{(C + A)} \cdot B$$

**12.27** The circuit shown in Figure P12.27 is called a half adder for two single bit inputs, giving a two-bit sum as outputs. Build a truth table and verify that it indeed acts as a summer.

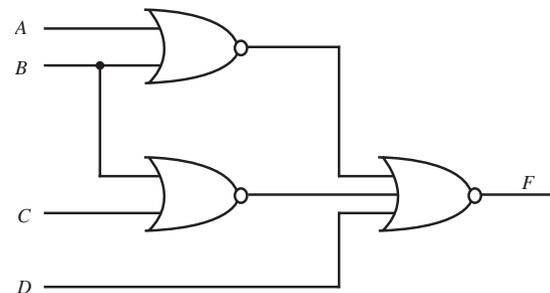


**Figure P12.27**

**12.28** Draw a logic circuit that will accomplish the equation

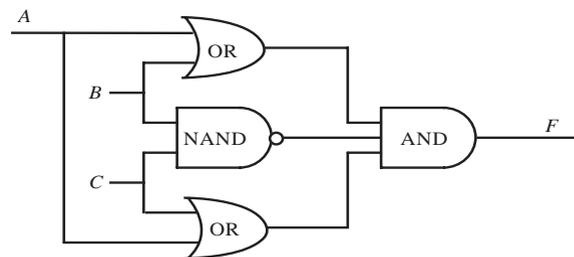
$$F = [(A + C \cdot \bar{B}) + A \cdot \bar{B} \cdot \bar{C}] \cdot \overline{(B + C)}$$

**12.29** Determine the truth table ( $F$  given  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $C$ , &  $D$ ) and the logical expression for the circuit of Figure P12.29.



**Figure P12.29**

**12.30** Determine the truth table ( $F$  given  $A$ ,  $B$ , &  $C$ ) and the logical expression for the circuit of Figure P12.30.



**Figure P12.30**

**12.31** A “vote taker” logic circuit forces its output to agree with a majority of its inputs. Such a circuit is shown in Figure P12.31 for the three voters. Write the logic expression for the output of this circuit in terms of its inputs. Also create a truth table for the output in terms of the inputs.

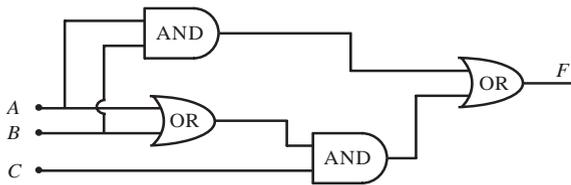


Figure P12.31

**12.32** A “consensus indicator” logic circuit is shown in Figure P12.32. Write the logical expression for the output of this circuit in terms of its input. Also create a truth table for the output in terms of the inputs.

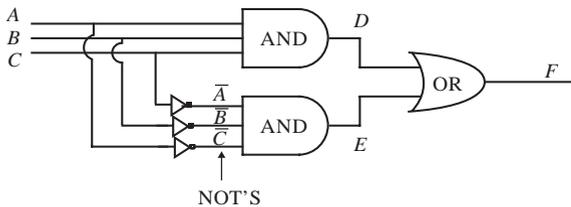


Figure P12.32

**12.33** A half adder circuit is shown in Figure P12.33. Write the logical expression for the outputs of this circuit in terms of its inputs. Also create a truth table for the outputs in terms of the inputs.

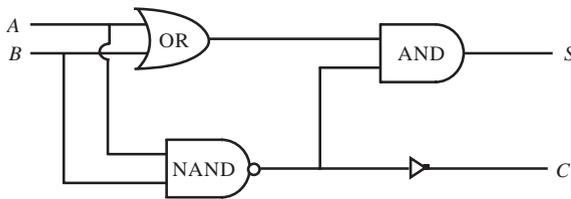


Figure P12.33

**12.34** For the logic circuit shown in Figure P12.34, write the logical expression for the outputs of this circuit in terms of its inputs, and create a truth table for the outputs in terms of the inputs, including any required intermediate variables.

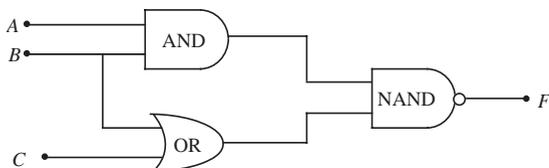


Figure P12.34

**12.35** For the logic circuit in Figure P12.35, write the logical expression for the outputs of this circuit in terms of its inputs, and create a truth table for the outputs in terms of the inputs, including any required intermediate variables.

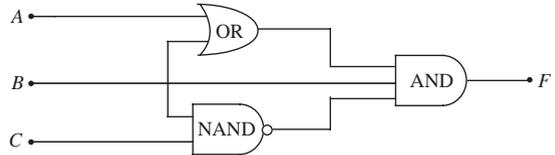


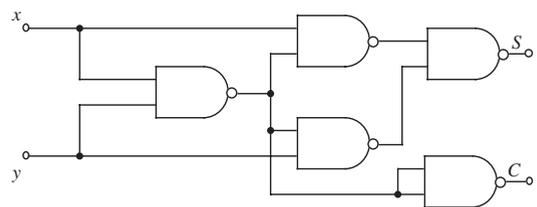
Figure P12.35

**12.36** Determine the minimum expression for the following logic function, simplifying the expression:

$$f(A, B, C) = (A + B) \cdot A \cdot B + \bar{A} \cdot C + A \cdot \bar{B} \cdot C + \bar{B} \cdot \bar{C}$$

**12.37**

- Complete the truth table for the circuit of Figure P12.37.
- What mathematical function does this circuit perform, and what do the outputs signify?
- How many standard 14-pin ICs would it take to construct this circuit?



x	y	C	S
0	0		
0	1		
1	0		
1	1		

Figure P12.37

### Section 12.4: Karnaugh Maps and Logic Design

**12.38** Find the logic function corresponding to the truth table of Figure P12.38 in the simplest sum-of-products form.

A	B	C	F
0	0	0	1
0	0	1	0
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	0
1	0	0	1
1	0	1	0
1	1	0	1
1	1	1	1

Figure P12.38

A	B	C	$f(A,B,C)$
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1
0	1	0	1
0	1	1	0
1	0	0	1
1	0	1	0
1	1	0	0
1	1	1	1

Figure P12.42

**12.39** Find the minimum expression for the output of the logic circuit shown in Figure P12.39.

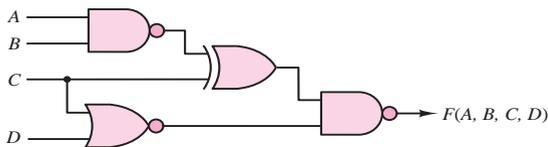


Figure P12.39

**12.40** Use a Karnaugh map to minimize the function  $f(A, B, C) = ABC + ABC + ABC$ .

**12.41**

- Build the Karnaugh map for the logic function defined by the truth table of Figure P12.41.
- What is the minimum expression for this function?
- Realize  $F$ , using AND, OR, and NOT gates.

A	B	C	D	F
0	0	0	0	1
0	0	0	1	1
0	0	1	0	1
0	0	1	1	0
0	1	0	0	0
0	1	0	1	0
0	1	1	0	1
0	1	1	1	1
1	0	0	0	1
1	0	0	1	1
1	0	1	0	1
1	0	1	1	1
1	1	0	0	0
1	1	0	1	0
1	1	1	0	0
1	1	1	1	0

Figure P12.41

**12.42** Fill in the Karnaugh map for the function defined by the truth table of Figure P12.42, and find the minimum expression for the function.

**12.43** A function  $F$  is defined such that it equals 1 when a 4-bit input code is equivalent to any of the decimal numbers 3, 6, 9, 12, or 15. Function  $F$  is 0 for input codes 0, 2, 8, and 10. Other input values cannot occur. Use a Karnaugh map to determine a minimal expression for this function. Design and sketch a circuit to implement this function, using only AND and NOT gates.

**12.44** The function described in Figure P12.44 can be constructed using only two gates. Design the circuit.

Input			Output
A	B	C	F
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	1
1	0	0	0
1	0	1	0
1	1	0	1
1	1	1	x

Figure P12.44

**12.45** Design a logic circuit which will produce the ones complement of an 8-bit signed binary number.

**12.46** Construct the Karnaugh map for the logic function defined by the truth table of Figure P12.46, and find the minimum expression for the function.

**12.47** Modify the circuit for Problem 12.45 so that it produces the twos complement of the 8-bit signed binary input.

**12.48** Find the minimum output expression for the circuit of Figure P12.48.

A	B	C	D	F
0	0	0	0	1
0	0	0	1	0
0	0	1	0	1
0	0	1	1	0
0	1	0	0	0
0	1	0	1	0
0	1	1	0	0
0	1	1	1	1
1	0	0	0	1
1	0	0	1	0
1	0	1	0	1
1	0	1	1	0
1	1	0	0	1
1	1	0	1	1
1	1	1	0	1
1	1	1	1	0

Figure P12.46

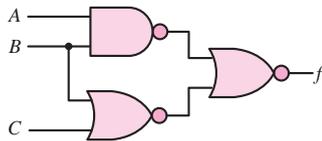


Figure P12.48

- 12.49** Design a combinational logic circuit which will add two 4-bit binary numbers.
- 12.50** Minimize the expression described in the truth table of Figure P12.50, and draw the circuit.

A	B	C	F
0	0	0	1
0	0	1	1
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	1
1	0	0	1
1	0	1	1
1	1	0	1
1	1	1	0

Figure P12.50

- 12.51** Find the minimum expression for the output of the logic circuit of Figure P12.51.

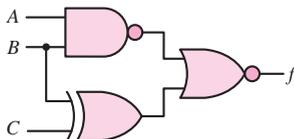


Figure P12.51

- 12.52** The objective of this problem is to design a combinational logic circuit which will aid in

determination of the acceptability of emergency blood transfusions. It is known that human blood can be categorized into four types: A, B, AB, and O. Persons with type A blood can donate to both A and AB types and can receive blood from both A and O types. Persons with type B blood can donate to both B and AB and can receive from both B and O types. Persons with type AB blood can donate only to type AB, but can receive from any type. Persons with type O blood can donate to any type, but can receive only from type O. Make appropriate variable assignments, and design a circuit that will approve or disapprove any particular transfusion based on these conditions.

- 12.53** Find the minimum expression for the logic function at the output of the logic circuit of Figure P12.53.

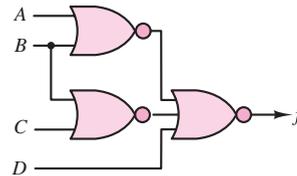


Figure P12.53

- 12.54** Design a combinational logic circuit which will accept a 4-bit binary number and if the number is even, divide it by  $2_{10}$  and produce the binary result; if the number is odd, multiply it by  $2_{10}$  and produce the binary result.

**12.55**

- Fill in the Karnaugh map for the function defined in the truth table of Figure P12.55.
- What is the minimum expression for the function?
- Draw the circuit, using AND, OR, and NOT gates.

A	B	C	$f(A,B,C)$
0	0	0	1
0	0	1	1
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	1
1	0	0	1
1	0	1	1
1	1	0	1
1	1	1	0

Figure P12.55

**12.56**

- Fill in the Karnaugh map for the logic function defined by the truth table of Figure P12.56.
- What is the minimum expression for the function?

A	B	C	D	F
0	0	0	0	1
0	0	0	1	0
0	0	1	0	1
0	0	1	1	0
0	1	0	0	0
0	1	0	1	0
0	1	1	0	0
0	1	1	1	1
1	0	0	0	1
1	0	0	1	0
1	0	1	0	1
1	0	1	1	0
1	1	0	0	1
1	1	0	1	1
1	1	1	0	1
1	1	1	1	0

Figure P12.56

12.57

- Fill in the Karnaugh map for the logic function defined by the truth table of Figure P12.57.
- What is the minimum expression for the function?
- Realize the function, using only NAND gates.

A	B	C	D	F
0	0	0	0	1
0	0	0	1	1
0	0	1	0	1
0	0	1	1	1
0	1	0	0	0
0	1	0	1	1
0	1	1	0	0
0	1	1	1	1
1	0	0	0	1
1	0	0	1	1
1	0	1	0	0
1	0	1	1	0
1	1	0	0	0
1	1	0	1	1
1	1	1	0	1
1	1	1	1	0

Figure P12.57

**12.58** Design a circuit with a 4-bit input representing the binary number  $A_3A_2A_1A_0$ . The output should be 1 if the input value is divisible by 3. Assume that the circuit is to be used only for the digits 0 through 9 (thus, values for 10 to 15 can be don't care conditions).

- Draw the Karnaugh map and truth table for the function.
- Determine the minimum expression for the function.
- Draw the circuit, using only AND, OR, and NOT gates.

**12.59** Find the simplified sum-of-products representation of the function from the Karnaugh map shown in Figure P12.59. Note that  $x$  is the don't care term.

A-B \ C-D	00	01	11	10
00	0	1	0	0
01	1	1	0	0
11	0	$x$	1	0
10	0	0	1	0

Figure P12.59

**12.60** Can the circuit for Problem 12.54 be simplified if it is known that the input represents a BCD (binary-coded decimal) number, that is, it can never be greater than  $10_{10}$ ? If not, explain why not. Otherwise, design the simplified circuit.

**12.61** Find the simplified sum-of-products representation of the function from the Karnaugh map shown in Figure P12.61.

A-B \ C-D	00	01	11	10
00	0	1	$x$	0
01	0	1	$x$	0
11	0	1	0	1
10	$x$	$x$	1	0

Figure P12.61

**12.62** One method of ensuring reliability in data transmission systems is to transmit a parity bit along with every nibble, byte, or word of binary data transmitted. The parity bit confirms whether an even or odd number of 1s were transmitted in the data. In even-parity systems, the parity bit is set to 1 when the number of 1s in the transmitted data is odd. Odd-parity systems set the parity bit to 1 when the number of 1s in the transmitted data is even. Assume that a parity bit is transmitted for every nibble of data. Design a logic circuit that checks the nibble of data and transmits the proper parity bit for both even- and odd-parity systems.

**12.63** Assume that a parity bit is transmitted for every nibble of data. Design two logic circuits that check a nibble of data and its parity bit to determine if there

may have been a data transmission error. Assume first an even-parity system, then an odd-parity system.

- 12.64** Design a logic circuit that takes a 4-bit Gray code input from an optical encoder and translates it into two 4-bit nibbles of BCD.
- 12.65** Design a logic circuit that takes a 4-bit Gray code input from an optical encoder and determines if the input value is a multiple of 3.
- 12.66** The 4221 code is a base 10-oriented code that assigns the weights 4221 to each of 4 bits in a nibble of data. Design a logic circuit that takes a BCD nibble as input and converts it to its 4221 equivalent. The logic circuit should also report an error in the BCD input if its value exceeds 1001.
- 12.67** The 4-bit digital output of each of two sensors along an assembly line conveyor belt is proportional to the number of parts that pass by on the conveyor belt in a 30-s period. Design a logic circuit that reports an error if the outputs of the two sensors differ by more than one part per 30-s period.

**Section 12.5: Combinational Logic Modules**

- 12.68** A function,  $F$ , is defined such that it equals 1 when a 4-bit input code is equivalent to any of the decimal numbers 3, 6, 9, 12, or 15.  $F$  is 0 for input codes 0, 2, 8, and 10. Other input values cannot occur. Use a Karnaugh map to determine a minimal expression for this function. Design and sketch a circuit to implement this function using only AND and NOT gates.
- 12.69**

- a. Fill in the Karnaugh map for the logic function defined by the truth table of Figure P12.69.

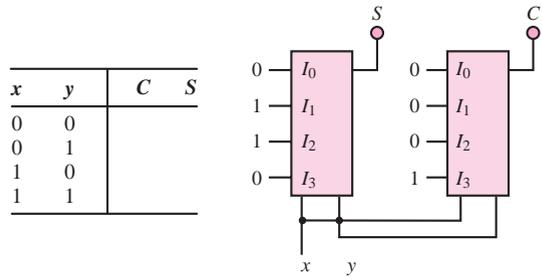
A	B	C	D	$f(A,B,C,D)$
0	0	0	0	1
0	0	0	1	0
0	0	1	0	1
0	0	1	1	1
0	1	0	0	0
0	1	0	1	1
0	1	1	0	0
0	1	1	1	0
1	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	1	1
1	0	1	0	0
1	0	1	1	0
1	1	0	0	1
1	1	0	1	0
1	1	1	0	1
1	1	1	1	1

**Figure P12.69**

- b. What is the minimum expression for the function?
- c. Realize the function using a 1-of-8 multiplexer.

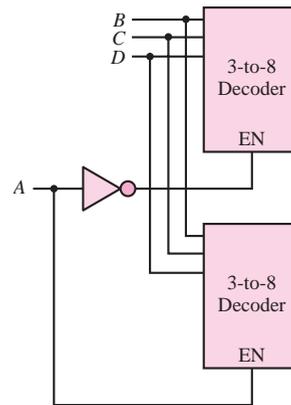
**12.70**

- a. Fill in the truth table for the multiplexer circuit shown in Figure P12.70.
- b. What binary function is performed by these multiplexers?



**Figure P12.70**

- 12.71** The circuit of Figure P12.71 can operate as a 4-to-16 decoder. Terminal EN denotes the enable input. Describe the operation of the 4-to-16 decoder. What is the role of logic variable A?



**Figure P12.71**

- 12.72** Show that the circuit given in Figure P12.72 converts 4-bit binary numbers to 4-bit Gray code.

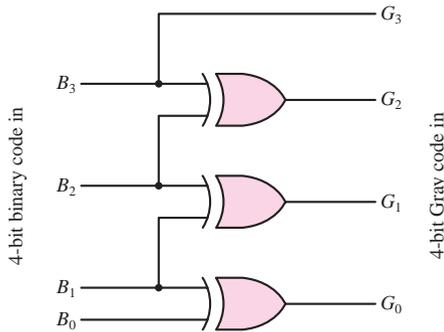


Figure P12.72

**12.73** Suppose one of your classmates claims that the following boolean expressions represent the conversion from 4-bit Gray code to 4-bit binary numbers:

$$B_3 = G_3$$

$$B_2 = G_3 \oplus G_2$$

$$B_1 = G_3 \oplus G_2 \oplus G_1$$

$$B_0 = G_3 \oplus G_2 \oplus G_1 \oplus G_0$$

- Show that your classmate's claim is correct.
- Draw the circuit which implements the conversion.

**12.74** Select the proper inputs for a four-input multiplexer to implement the function  $f(A, B, C) = \overline{A}B\overline{C} + A\overline{B}C + AC$ . Assume inputs  $I_0, I_1, I_2,$  and  $I_3$  correspond to  $\overline{A}\overline{B}\overline{C}, \overline{A}B\overline{C}, A\overline{B}\overline{C},$  and  $ABC$ , respectively, and that each input may be 0, 1,  $\overline{C}$ , or  $C$ .

**12.75** Select the proper inputs for an 8-bit multiplexer to implement the function  $f(A, B, C, D) = \sum(2, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14)_{10}$ . Assume the inputs  $I_0$  through  $I_7$  correspond to  $\overline{A}\overline{B}\overline{C}, \overline{A}\overline{B}C, \overline{A}B\overline{C}, \overline{A}BC, A\overline{B}\overline{C}, A\overline{B}C, AB\overline{C},$  and  $ABC$ , respectively, and that each input may be 0, 1,  $\overline{D}$ , or  $D$ .

**Section 12.6: Sequential Logic Modules**

**12.76** The input to the circuit of Figure P12.76 is a square wave having a period of 2 s, maximum value of 5 V, and minimum value of 0 V. Assume all flip-flops are initially in the RESET state.

- Explain what the circuit does.
- Sketch the timing diagram, including the input and all four outputs.

**12.77** A binary pulse counter can be constructed by interconnecting  $T$ -type flip-flops in an appropriate manner. Assume it is desired to construct a counter which can count up to  $100_{10}$ .

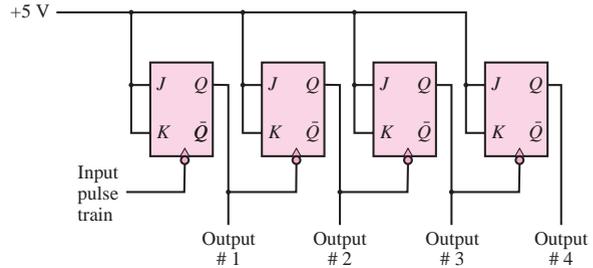


Figure P12.76

- How many flip-flops would be required?
- Sketch the circuit needed to implement this counter.

**12.78** Explain what the circuit of Figure P12.78 does and how it works. (*Hint:* This circuit is called a 2-bit synchronous binary up-down counter.)

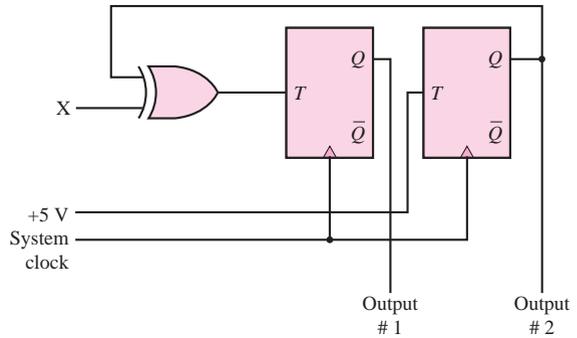


Figure P12.78

**12.79** Suppose a circuit is constructed from three  $D$ -type flip-flops, with

$$D_0 = Q_2 \quad D_1 = Q_2 \oplus Q_0 \quad D_2 = Q_1$$

- Draw the circuit diagram.
- Assume the circuit starts with all flip-flops SET. Sketch a timing diagram which shows the outputs of all three flip-flops.

**12.80** Suppose that you want to use a  $D$  flip-flop for a laboratory experiment. However, you have only  $T$  flip-flops. Assuming that you have all the logic gates available, make a  $D$  flip-flop using a  $T$  flip-flop and some logic gate(s).

**12.81** Draw a timing diagram (four complete clock cycles) for  $A_0, A_1,$  and  $A_2$  for the circuit of Figure P12.81. Assume that all initial values are 0. Note that all flip-flops are negative edge-triggered.

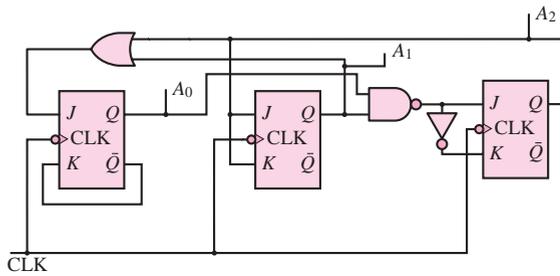


Figure P12.81

**12.82** Assume that the slotted encoder shown in Figure P12.82 has a length of 1 m and a total of 1,000 slots (i.e., there is one slot per millimeter). If a counter is incremented by 1 each time a slot goes past a sensor, design a digital counting system that determines the speed of the moving encoder (in meters per second).

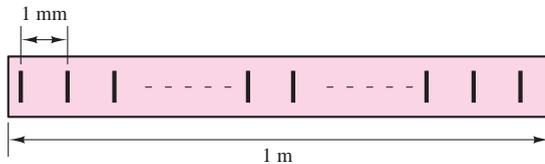


Figure P12.82

**12.83** Find the output  $Q$  for the circuit of Figure P12.83.

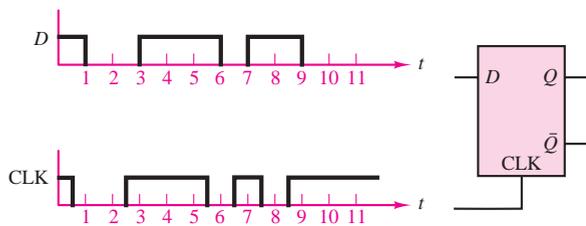


Figure P12.83

**12.84** Describe how the ripple counter works. Why is it so named? What disadvantages can you think of for this counter?

**12.85** Write the truth table for an  $RS$  flip-flop with enable (E), preset (P), and clear (C) lines.

**12.86** A  $JK$  flip-flop is wired as shown in Figure P12.86 with a given input signal. Assuming that  $Q$  is at logic 0 initially and the trailing edge-triggering is effective, sketch the output  $Q$ .

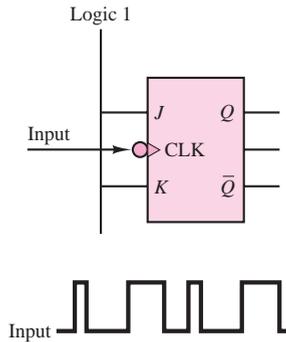
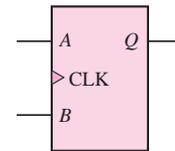


Figure P12.86

**12.87** With reference to the  $JK$  flip-flop of Problem 12.86, assume that the output at the  $Q$  terminal is made to serve as the input to a second  $JK$  flip-flop wired exactly as the first. Sketch the  $Q$  output of the second flip-flop.

**12.88** Assume that there is a flip-flop with the characteristic given in Figure P12.88, where  $A$  and  $B$  are the inputs to the flip-flop and  $Q$  is the next state output. Using necessary logic gates, make a  $T$  flip-flop from this flip-flop.

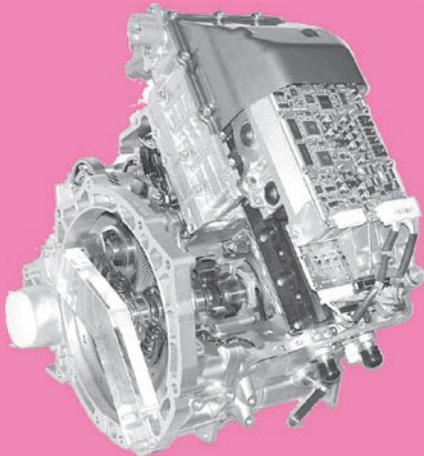


A	B	Q
0	0	$\bar{q}$
0	1	$q$
1	0	$q$
1	1	0

Figure P12.88

# PART III

## ELECTROMECHANICS



**Chapter 13** Principles of Electromechanics

**Chapter 14** Introduction to Electric Machines

# C H A P T E R

# 13

## PRINCIPLES OF ELECTROMECHANICS

**T**he objective of this chapter is to introduce the fundamental notions of electromechanical energy conversion, leading to an understanding of the operation of various electromechanical transducers. The chapter also serves as an introduction to the material on electric machines to be presented in Chapter 14. The foundations for the material introduced in this chapter will be found in the circuit analysis chapters (1 through 7).

The subject of electromechanical energy conversion is one that should be of particular interest to the *non-electrical* engineer, because it forms one of the important points of contact between electrical engineering and other engineering disciplines. Electromechanical transducers are commonly used in the design of industrial and aerospace control systems and in biomedical applications, and they form the basis of many common appliances. In the course of our exploration of electromechanics, we shall illustrate the operation of practical devices, such as loudspeakers, relays, solenoids, sensors for the measurement of position and velocity, and other devices of practical interest.

## Learning Objectives

1. Review the basic principles of electricity and magnetism. *Section 13.1.*
2. Use the concepts of reluctance and magnetic circuit equivalents to compute magnetic flux and currents in simple magnetic structures. *Section 13.2.*
3. Understand the properties of magnetic materials and their effects on magnetic circuit models. *Section 13.3.*
4. Use magnetic circuit models to analyze transformers. *Section 13.4.*
5. Model and analyze force generation in electromagnetomechanical systems. Analyze moving-iron transducers (electromagnets, solenoids, relays) and moving-coil transducers (electrodynamic shakers, loudspeakers, and seismic transducers). *Section 13.5.*

### 13.1 ELECTRICITY AND MAGNETISM

The notion that the phenomena of electricity and magnetism are interconnected was first proposed in the early 1800s by H. C. Oersted, a Danish physicist. Oersted showed that an electric current produces magnetic effects (more specifically, a magnetic field). Soon after, the French scientist André Marie Ampère expressed this relationship by means of a precise formulation known as *Ampère's law*. A few years later, the English scientist Faraday illustrated how the converse of Ampère's law also holds true, that is, that a magnetic field can generate an electric field; in short, *Faraday's law* states that a changing magnetic field gives rise to a voltage. We shall undertake a more careful examination of both Ampère's and Faraday's laws in the course of this chapter.

As will be explained in the next few sections, the magnetic field forms a necessary connection between electrical and mechanical energy. Ampère's and Faraday's laws will formally illustrate the relationship between electric and magnetic fields, but it should already be evident from your own individual experience that the magnetic field can also convert magnetic energy to mechanical energy (e.g., by lifting a piece of iron with a magnet). In effect, the devices we commonly refer to as *electromechanical* should more properly be referred to as *electromagnetomechanical*, since they almost invariably operate through a conversion from electrical to mechanical energy (or vice versa) by means of a magnetic field. Chapters 13 and 14 are concerned with the use of electricity and magnetic materials for the purpose of converting electrical to mechanical energy, and back.

#### The Magnetic Field and Faraday's Law

The quantities used to quantify the strength of a magnetic field are the **magnetic flux**  $\phi$ , in units of **webers** (Wb); and the **magnetic flux density**  $\mathbf{B}$ , in units of webers per square meter (Wb/m<sup>2</sup>), or **teslas** (T). The latter quantity and the associated **magnetic field intensity**  $\mathbf{H}$  (in units of amperes per meter, or A/m) are vectors.<sup>1</sup> Thus, the density of the magnetic flux and its intensity are in general described in vector form, in terms of the components present in each spatial direction (e.g., on the  $x$ ,  $y$ , and

<sup>1</sup>We will use the boldface symbols  $\mathbf{B}$  and  $\mathbf{H}$  to denote the vector forms of  $B$  and  $H$ ; the standard typeface will represent the scalar flux density or field intensity in a given direction.

$z$  axes). In discussing magnetic flux density and field intensity in this chapter and Chapter 14, we shall almost always assume that the field is a *scalar field*, that is, that it lies in a single spatial direction. This will simplify many explanations.

It is customary to represent the magnetic field by means of the familiar *lines of force* (a concept also due to Faraday); we visualize the strength of a magnetic field by observing the density of these lines in space. You probably know from a previous course in physics that such lines are closed in a magnetic field, that is, that they form continuous loops exiting at a magnetic north pole (by definition) and entering at a magnetic south pole. The relative strengths of the magnetic fields generated by two magnets could be depicted as shown in Figure 13.1.

Magnetic fields are generated by electric charge in motion, and their effect is measured by the force they exert on a moving charge. As you may recall from previous physics courses, the vector force  $\mathbf{f}$  exerted on a charge of  $q$  moving at velocity  $\mathbf{u}$  in the presence of a magnetic field with flux density  $\mathbf{B}$  is given by

$$\mathbf{f} = q\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{B} \quad (13.1)$$

where the symbol  $\times$  denotes the (vector) cross product. If the charge is moving at a velocity  $\mathbf{u}$  in a direction that makes an angle  $\theta$  with the magnetic field, then the magnitude of the force is given by

$$f = quB \sin \theta \quad (13.2)$$

and the direction of this force is at right angles with the plane formed by the vectors  $\mathbf{B}$  and  $\mathbf{u}$ . This relationship is depicted in Figure 13.2.

The magnetic flux  $\phi$  is then defined as the integral of the flux density over some surface area. For the simplified (but often useful) case of magnetic flux lines perpendicular to a cross-sectional area  $A$ , we can see that the flux is given by the integral

$$\phi = \int_A B dA \quad (13.3)$$

in webers, where the subscript  $A$  indicates that the integral is evaluated over surface  $A$ . Furthermore, if the flux were to be uniform over the cross-sectional area  $A$  (a simplification that will be useful), the preceding integral could be approximated by the following expression:

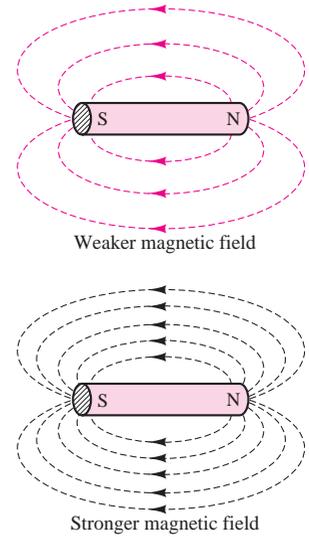
$$\phi = B \cdot A \quad (13.4)$$

Figure 13.3 illustrates this idea, by showing hypothetical magnetic flux lines traversing a surface, delimited in the figure by a thin conducting wire.

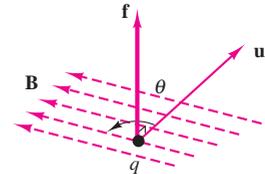
**Faraday's law** states that if the imaginary surface  $A$  were bounded by a conductor—for example, the thin wire of Figure 13.3—then a *changing* magnetic field would induce a voltage, and therefore a current, in the conductor. More precisely, Faraday's law states that a time-varying flux causes an induced **electromotive force**, or **emf**,  $e$  as follows:

$$e = -\frac{d\phi}{dt} \quad (13.5)$$

A little discussion is necessary at this point to explain the meaning of the minus sign in equation 13.5. Consider the one-turn coil of Figure 13.4, which forms a circular

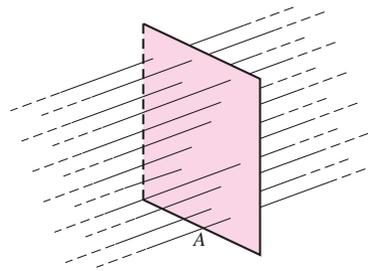


**Figure 13.1** Lines of force in a magnetic field

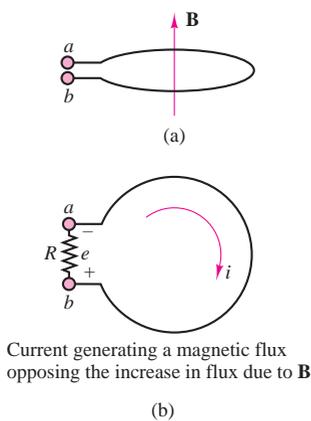


**Figure 13.2** Charge moving in a constant magnetic field





**Figure 13.3** Magnetic flux lines crossing a surface



**Figure 13.4** Flux direction

cross-sectional area, in the presence of a magnetic field with flux density  $\mathbf{B}$  oriented in a direction perpendicular to the plane of the coil. If the magnetic field, and therefore the flux within the coil, is constant, no voltage will exist across terminals  $a$  and  $b$ ; if, however, the flux were increasing and terminals  $a$  and  $b$  were connected—for example, by means of a resistor, as indicated in Figure 13.4(b)—current would flow in the coil in such a way that *the magnetic flux generated by the current would oppose the increasing flux*. Thus, the flux induced by such a current would be in the direction opposite to that of the original flux density vector  $\mathbf{B}$ . This principle is known as **Lenz's law**. The reaction flux would then point downward in Figure 13.4(a), or into the page in Figure 13.4(b). Now, by virtue of the **right-hand rule**, this reaction flux would induce a current flowing clockwise in Figure 13.4(b), that is, a current that flows out of terminal  $b$  and into terminal  $a$ . The resulting voltage across the hypothetical resistor  $R$  would then be negative. If, on the other hand, the original flux were decreasing, current would be induced in the coil so as to reestablish the initial flux; but this would mean that the current would have to generate a flux in the upward direction in Figure 13.4(a) [or out of the page in Figure 13.4(b)]. Thus, the resulting voltage would change sign.

The polarity of the induced voltage can usually be determined from physical considerations; therefore the minus sign in equation 13.5 is usually left out. We will use this convention throughout the chapter.

In practical applications, the size of the voltages induced by the changing magnetic field can be significantly increased if the conducting wire is coiled many times around, so as to multiply the area crossed by the magnetic flux lines many times over. For an  $N$ -turn coil with cross-sectional area  $A$ , for example, we have the emf

$$e = N \frac{d\phi}{dt} \quad (13.6)$$



### CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

A coil having 100 turns is immersed in a magnetic field that is varying uniformly from 80 to 30 mWb in 2 s. Find the induced voltage in the coil.

Answer:  $e = -2.5 \text{ V}$

Figure 13.5 shows an  $N$ -turn coil *linking* a certain amount of magnetic flux; you can see that if  $N$  is very large and the coil is tightly wound (as is usually the case in the construction of practical devices), it is not unreasonable to presume that each turn of the coil links the same flux. It is convenient, in practice, to define the **flux linkage**  $\lambda$  as

$$\lambda = N\phi \quad (13.7)$$

so that

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$$e = \frac{d\lambda}{dt}$$

$$(13.8)$$

Note that equation 13.8, relating the derivative of the flux linkage to the induced emf, is analogous to the equation describing current as the derivative of charge:

$$i = \frac{dq}{dt} \quad (13.9)$$

In other words, flux linkage can be viewed as the dual of charge in a circuit analysis sense, provided that we are aware of the simplifying assumptions just stated in the preceding paragraphs, namely, a uniform magnetic field perpendicular to the area delimited by a tightly wound coil. These assumptions are not at all unreasonable when applied to the inductor coils commonly employed in electric circuits.

What, then, are the physical mechanisms that can cause magnetic flux to change, and therefore to induce an electromotive force? Two such mechanisms are possible. The first consists of physically moving a permanent magnet in the vicinity of a coil, for example, so as to create a time-varying flux. The second requires that we first produce a magnetic field by means of an electric current (how this can be accomplished is discussed later in this section) and then vary the current, thus varying the associated magnetic field. The latter method is more practical in many circumstances, since it does not require the use of permanent magnets and allows variation of field strength by varying the applied current; however, the former method is conceptually simpler to visualize. The voltages induced by a moving magnetic field are called **motion voltages**; those generated by a time-varying magnetic field are termed **transformer voltages**. We shall be interested in both in this chapter, for different applications.

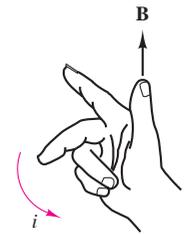
In the analysis of linear circuits in Chapter 4, we implicitly assumed that the relationship between flux linkage and current was a linear one

$$\lambda = Li \quad (13.10)$$

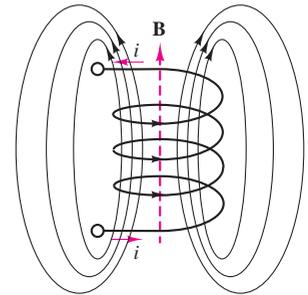
so that the effect of a time-varying current was to induce a transformer voltage across an inductor coil, according to the expression

$$v = L \frac{di}{dt} \quad (13.11)$$

This is, in fact, the defining equation for the ideal **self-inductance**  $L$ . In addition to self-inductance, however, it is important to consider the **magnetic coupling** that can occur between neighboring circuits. Self-inductance measures the voltage induced in a circuit by the magnetic field generated by a current flowing in the same circuit. It is also possible that a second circuit in the vicinity of the first may experience an induced voltage as a consequence of the magnetic field generated in the first circuit. As we shall see in Section 13.4, this principle underlies the operation of all transformers.

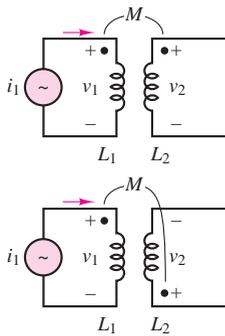


Right-hand rule



Flux lines

**Figure 13.5** Concept of flux linkage



**Figure 13.6** Mutual inductance

## Self- and Mutual Inductance

Figure 13.6 depicts a pair of coils, one of which,  $L_1$ , is excited by a current  $i_1$  and therefore develops a magnetic field and a resulting induced voltage  $v_1$ . The second coil,  $L_2$ , is not energized by a current, but links some of the flux generated by current  $i_1$  around  $L_1$  because of its close proximity to the first coil. The magnetic coupling between the coils established by virtue of their proximity is described by a quantity called **mutual inductance** and defined by the symbol  $M$ . The mutual inductance is defined by the equation

$$v_2 = M \frac{di_1}{dt} \quad (13.12)$$

The dots shown in the two drawings indicate the polarity of the coupling between the coils. If the dots are at the same end of the coils, the voltage induced in coil 2 by a current in coil 1 has the same polarity as the voltage induced by the same current in coil 1; otherwise, the voltages are in opposition, as shown in the lower part of Figure 13.6. Thus, the presence of such dots indicates that magnetic coupling is present between two coils. It should also be pointed out that if a current (and therefore a magnetic field) were present in the second coil, an additional voltage would be induced across coil 1. The voltage induced across a coil is, in general, equal to the sum of the voltages induced by self-inductance and mutual inductance.

In practical electromagnetic circuits, the self-inductance of a circuit is not necessarily constant; in particular, the inductance parameter  $L$  is not constant, in general, but depends on the strength of the magnetic field intensity, so that it will not be possible to use such a simple relationship as  $v = L di/dt$ , with  $L$  constant. If we revisit the definition of the transformer voltage

$$e = N \frac{d\phi}{dt} \quad (13.13)$$

we see that in an inductor coil, the inductance is given by

$$L = \frac{N\phi}{i} = \frac{\lambda}{i} \quad (13.14)$$

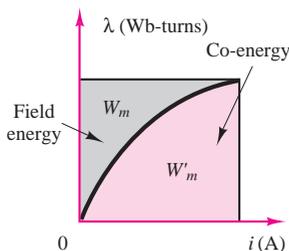
This expression implies that the relationship between current and flux in a magnetic structure is linear (the inductance being the slope of the line). In fact, the properties of ferromagnetic materials are such that the flux–current relationship is nonlinear, as we shall see in Section 13.3, so that the simple linear inductance parameter used in electric circuit analysis is not adequate to represent the behavior of the magnetic circuits of this chapter. In any practical situation, the relationship between the flux linkage  $\lambda$  and the current is nonlinear, and might be described by a curve similar to that shown in Figure 13.7. Whenever the  $i$ - $\lambda$  curve is not a straight line, it is more convenient to analyze the magnetic system in terms of energy calculations, since the corresponding circuit equation would be nonlinear.

In a magnetic system, the energy stored in the magnetic field is equal to the integral of the instantaneous power, which is the product of voltage and current, just as in a conventional electric circuit:

$$W_m = \int ei dt' \quad (13.15)$$

However, in this case, the voltage corresponds to the induced emf, according to Faraday's law,

$$e = \frac{d\lambda}{dt} = N \frac{d\phi}{dt} \quad (13.16)$$



**Figure 13.7** Relationship between flux linkage, current, energy, and co-energy

and is therefore related to the rate of change of the magnetic flux. The energy stored in the magnetic field could therefore be expressed in terms of the current by the integral

$$W_m = \int ei dt' = \int \frac{d\lambda}{dt} i dt' = \int i d\lambda' \quad (13.17)$$

It should be straightforward to recognize that this energy is equal to the area above the  $\lambda$ - $i$  curve of Figure 13.7. From the same figure, it is also possible to define a fictitious (but sometimes useful) quantity called **co-energy**, equal to the area under the curve and identified by the symbol  $W'_m$ . From the figure, it is also possible to see that the co-energy can be expressed in terms of the stored energy by means of the following relationship:

$$W'_m = i\lambda - W_m \quad (13.18)$$

Example 13.1 illustrates the calculation of energy, co-energy, and induced voltage, using the concepts developed in these paragraphs.

The calculation of the energy stored in the magnetic field around a magnetic structure will be particularly useful later in the chapter, when the discussion turns to practical electromechanical transducers and it will be necessary to actually compute the forces generated in magnetic structures.

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### EXAMPLE 13.1 Energy and Co-Energy Calculation for an Inductor



#### Problem

Compute the energy, co-energy, and incremental linear inductance for an iron-core inductor with a given  $\lambda$ - $i$  relationship. Also compute the voltage across the terminals, given the current through the coil.

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:**  $\lambda$ - $i$  relationship; nominal value of  $\lambda$ ; coil resistance; coil current.

**Find:**  $W_m$ ;  $W'_m$ ;  $L_\Delta$ ;  $v$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $i = (\lambda + 0.5\lambda^2)$  A;  $\lambda_0 = 0.5$  V-s;  $R = 1 \Omega$ ;  $i(t) = 0.625 + 0.01 \sin(400t)$ .

**Assumptions:** Assume that the magnetic equation can be linearized, and use the linear model in all circuit calculations.

#### Analysis:

1. *Calculation of energy and co-energy.* From equation 13.17, we calculate the energy as follows.

$$W_m = \int_0^\lambda i(\lambda') d\lambda' = \frac{\lambda^2}{2} + \frac{\lambda^3}{6}$$

The above expression is valid in general; in our case, the inductor is operating at a nominal flux linkage  $\lambda_0 = 0.5$  V-s, and we can therefore evaluate the energy to be

$$W_m(\lambda = \lambda_0) = \left( \frac{\lambda^2}{2} + \frac{\lambda^3}{6} \right) \Big|_{\lambda=0.5} = 0.1458 \text{ J}$$

Thus, after equation 13.18, the co-energy is given by

$$W'_m = i\lambda - W_m$$

where

$$i = \lambda + 0.5\lambda^2 = 0.625 \text{ A}$$

and

$$W'_m = i\lambda - W_m = (0.625)(0.5) - (0.1458) = 0.1667 \text{ J}$$

2. *Calculation of incremental inductance.* If we know the nominal value of flux linkage (i.e., the operating point), we can calculate a linear inductance  $L_\Delta$ , valid around values of  $\lambda$  close to the operating point  $\lambda_0$ . This incremental inductance is defined by the expression

$$L_\Delta = \left. \left( \frac{di}{d\lambda} \right)^{-1} \right|_{\lambda=\lambda_0}$$

and can be computed to be

$$L_\Delta = \left. \left( \frac{di}{d\lambda} \right)^{-1} \right|_{\lambda=\lambda_0} = (1 + \lambda)^{-1} \Big|_{\lambda=\lambda_0} = \frac{1}{1 + \lambda} \Big|_{\lambda=0.5} = 0.667 \text{ H}$$

The above expressions can be used to analyze the circuit behavior of the inductor when the flux linkage is around 0.5 V-s, or, equivalently, when the current through the inductor is around 0.625 A.

3. *Circuit analysis using linearized model of inductor.* We can use the incremental linear inductance calculated above to compute the voltage across the inductor in the presence of a current  $i(t) = 0.625 + 0.01 \sin(400t)$ . Using the basic circuit definition of an inductor with series resistance  $R$ , the voltage across the inductor is given by

$$\begin{aligned} v &= iR + L_\Delta \frac{di}{dt} = [0.625 + 0.01 \sin(400t)] \times 1 + 0.667 \times 4 \cos(400t) \\ &= 0.625 + 0.01 \sin(400t) + 2.668 \cos(400t) \\ &= 0.625 + 2.668 \sin(400t + 89.8^\circ) \quad \text{V} \end{aligned}$$

**Comments:** The linear approximation in this case is not a bad one: the small sinusoidal current is oscillating around a much larger average current. In this type of situation, it is reasonable to assume that the inductor behaves linearly. This example explains why the linear inductor model introduced in Chapter 4 is an acceptable approximation in most circuit analysis problems.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

The relation between the flux linkages and the current for a magnetic material is given by  $\lambda = 6i/(2i + 1)$  Wb-turns. Determine the energy stored in the magnetic field for  $\lambda = 2$  Wb-turns.

Answer:  $W'_m = 0.648 \text{ J}$

## Ampère's Law

As explained in the previous section, Faraday's law is one of two fundamental laws relating electricity to magnetism. The second relationship, which forms a counterpart to Faraday's law, is **Ampère's law**. Qualitatively, Ampère's law states that the magnetic field intensity  $\mathbf{H}$  in the vicinity of a conductor is related to the current carried by the conductor; thus Ampère's law establishes a dual relationship with Faraday's law.

In the previous section, we described the magnetic field in terms of its flux density  $\mathbf{B}$  and flux  $\phi$ . To explain Ampère's law and the behavior of magnetic materials, we need to define a relationship between the magnetic field intensity  $\mathbf{H}$  and the flux density  $\mathbf{B}$ . These quantities are related by

$$\mathbf{B} = \mu\mathbf{H} = \mu_r\mu_0\mathbf{H} \quad \text{Wb/m}^2 \text{ or T} \quad (13.19)$$

where the parameter  $\mu$  is a scalar constant for a particular physical medium (at least, for the applications we consider here) and is called the **permeability** of the medium. The permeability of a material can be factored as the product of the permeability of free space  $\mu_0 = 4\pi \times 10^{-7}$  H/m, and the relative permeability  $\mu_r$ , which varies greatly according to the medium. For example, for air and for most electrical conductors and insulators,  $\mu_r$  is equal to 1. For ferromagnetic materials,  $\mu_r$  can take values in the hundreds or thousands. The size of  $\mu_r$  represents a measure of the magnetic properties of the material. A consequence of Ampère's law is that the larger the value of  $\mu$ , the smaller the current required to produce a large flux density in an electromagnetic structure. Consequently, many electromechanical devices make use of ferromagnetic materials, called iron cores, to enhance their magnetic properties. Table 13.1 gives approximate values of  $\mu_r$  for some common materials.

Conversely, the reason for introducing the magnetic field intensity is that it is independent of the properties of the materials employed in the construction of magnetic circuits. Thus, a given magnetic field intensity  $\mathbf{H}$  will give rise to different flux densities in different materials. It will therefore be useful to define *sources* of magnetic energy in terms of the magnetic field intensity, so that different magnetic structures and materials can then be evaluated or compared for a given source. In analogy with electromotive force, this "source" will be termed the **magnetomotive force (mmf)**. As stated earlier, both the magnetic flux density and the field intensity are vector quantities; however, for ease of analysis, scalar fields will be chosen by appropriately selecting the orientation of the fields, wherever possible.

Ampère's law states that the integral of the vector magnetic field intensity  $\mathbf{H}$  around a closed path is equal to the total current linked by the closed path  $i$ :

$$\oint \mathbf{H} \cdot d\mathbf{l} = \sum i \quad (13.20)$$

where  $d\mathbf{l}$  is an increment in the direction of the closed path. If the path is in the same direction as the direction of the magnetic field, we can use scalar quantities to state that

$$\int H dl = \sum i \quad (13.21)$$

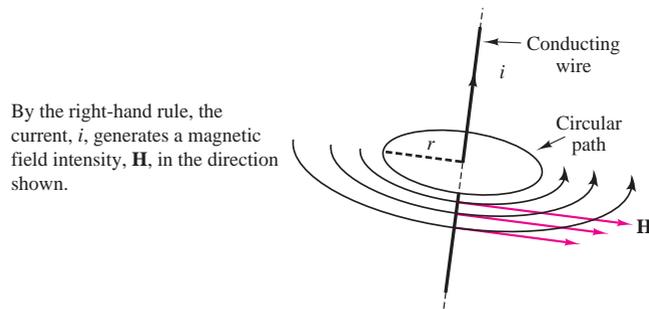
Figure 13.8 illustrates the case of a wire carrying a current  $i$  and of a circular path of radius  $r$  surrounding the wire. In this simple case, you can see that the magnetic field intensity  $\mathbf{H}$  is determined by the familiar right-hand rule. This rule states that if the direction of current  $i$  points in the direction of the thumb of one's right hand, the resulting magnetic field encircles the conductor in the direction in which the other four

**Table 13.1** Relative permeabilities for common materials

Material	$\mu_r$
Air	1
Permalloy	100,000
Cast steel	1,000
Sheet steel	4,000
Iron	5,195

fingers would encircle it. Thus, in the case of Figure 13.8, the closed-path integral becomes equal to  $H \cdot 2\pi r$ , since the path and the magnetic field are in the same direction, and therefore the magnitude of the magnetic field intensity is given by

$$H = \frac{i}{2\pi r} \quad (13.22)$$



**Figure 13.8** Illustration of Ampère's law



### CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

The magnitude of  $\mathbf{H}$  at a radius of 0.5 m from a long linear conductor is  $1 \text{ A}\cdot\text{m}^{-1}$ . Find the current in the wire.

Answer:  $I = \pi \text{ A}$

Now, the magnetic field intensity is unaffected by the material surrounding the conductor, but the flux density depends on the material properties, since  $B = \mu H$ . Thus, the density of flux lines around the conductor would be far greater in the presence of a magnetic material than if the conductor were surrounded by air. The field generated by a single conducting wire is not very strong; however, if we arrange the wire into a tightly wound coil with many turns, we can greatly increase the strength of the magnetic field. For such a coil, with  $N$  turns, one can verify visually that the lines of force associated with the magnetic field link all the turns of the conducting coil, so that we have effectively increased the current linked by the flux lines  $N$ -fold. The product  $N \cdot i$  is a useful quantity in electromagnetic circuits and is called the **magnetomotive force**,<sup>2</sup>  $\mathcal{F}$  (often abbreviated mmf), in analogy with the electromotive force defined earlier:



$$\mathcal{F} = Ni \quad \text{A-turns} \quad \text{Magnetomotive force} \quad (13.23)$$

<sup>2</sup>Note that although they are dimensionally equal to amperes, the units of magnetomotive force are ampere-turns.

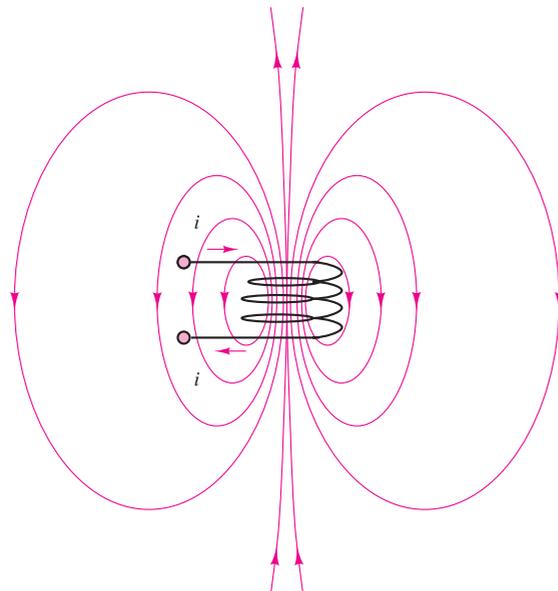
Figure 13.9 illustrates the magnetic flux lines in the vicinity of a coil. The magnetic field generated by the coil can be made to generate a much greater flux density if the coil encloses a magnetic material. The most common ferromagnetic materials are steel and iron; in addition to these, many alloys and oxides of iron—as well as nickel—and some artificial ceramic materials called **ferrites** exhibit magnetic properties. Winding a coil around a ferromagnetic material accomplishes two useful tasks at once: It forces the magnetic flux to be concentrated within the coil and—if the shape of the magnetic material is appropriate—completely confines the flux within the magnetic material, thus forcing the closed path for the flux lines to be almost entirely enclosed within the ferromagnetic material. Typical arrangements are the iron-core inductor and the toroid of Figure 13.10. The flux densities for these inductors are given by

$$B = \frac{\mu Ni}{l} \quad \text{Flux density for tightly wound circular coil} \quad (13.24)$$

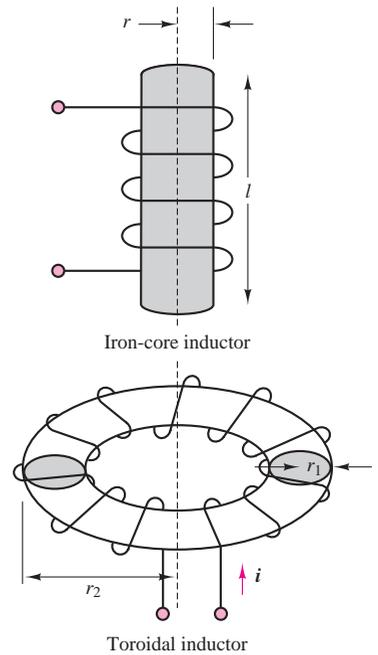
$$B = \frac{\mu Ni}{2\pi r_2} \quad \text{Flux density for toroidal coil} \quad (13.25)$$

In equation 13.24,  $l$  represents the length of the coil wire; Figure 13.10 defines the parameter  $r_2$  in equation 13.25.

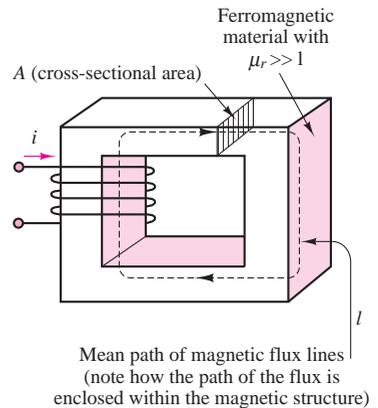
Intuitively, the presence of a high-permeability material near a source of magnetic flux causes the flux to preferentially concentrate in the high- $\mu$  material, rather than in air, much as a conducting path concentrates the current produced by an electric field in an electric circuit. In the course of this chapter, we shall continue to develop this analogy between electric circuits and magnetic circuits. Figure 13.11 depicts an example of a simple electromagnetic structure which, as we shall see shortly, forms the basis of the practical transformer.



**Figure 13.9** Magnetic flux lines in the vicinity of a current-carrying coil



**Figure 13.10** Practical inductors



**Figure 13.11** A simple electromagnetic structure

Table 13.2 summarizes the variables introduced thus far in the discussion of electricity and magnetism.

**Table 13.2** Magnetic variables and units

Variable	Symbol	Units
Current	$I$	A
Magnetic flux density	$B$	$\text{Wb/m}^2 = \text{T}$
Magnetic flux	$\phi$	Wb
Magnetic field intensity	$H$	A/m
Electromotive force	$e$	V
Magnetomotive force	$\mathcal{F}$	A-turns
Flux linkage	$\lambda$	Wb-turns



## 13.2 MAGNETIC CIRCUITS

It is possible to analyze the operation of electromagnetic devices such as the one depicted in Figure 13.11 by means of magnetic equivalent circuits, similar in many respects to the equivalent electric circuits of earlier chapters. Before we can present this technique, however, we need to make a few simplifying approximations. The first of these approximations assumes that there exists a **mean path** for the magnetic flux, and that the corresponding mean flux density is approximately constant over the cross-sectional area of the magnetic structure. Using equation 13.4, we see that a coil wound around a core with cross-sectional area  $A$  will have flux density

$$B = \frac{\phi}{A} \quad (13.26)$$

where  $A$  is assumed to be perpendicular to the direction of the flux lines. Figure 13.11 illustrates such a mean path and the cross-sectional area  $A$ . Knowing the flux density, we obtain the field intensity:

$$H = \frac{B}{\mu} = \frac{\phi}{A\mu} \quad (13.27)$$

But then, knowing the field intensity, we can relate the mmf of the coil  $\mathcal{F}$  to the product of the magnetic field intensity  $H$  and the length of the magnetic (mean) path  $l$ ; we can use equations 13.24 and 13.19 to derive

$$\mathcal{F} = N \cdot i = H \cdot l \quad (13.28)$$

In summary, the mmf is equal to the magnetic flux times the length of the magnetic path, divided by the permeability of the material times the cross-sectional area:

$$\mathcal{F} = \phi \frac{l}{\mu A} \quad (13.29)$$

A review of this formula reveals that the magnetomotive force  $\mathcal{F}$  may be viewed as being analogous to the voltage source in a series electric circuit, and that the flux  $\phi$  is then equivalent to the electric current in a series circuit and the term  $l/\mu A$  to the *magnetic resistance* of one leg of the magnetic circuit. You will note that the term  $l/\mu A$  is very similar to the term describing the resistance of a cylindrical conductor of length  $l$  and cross-sectional area  $A$ , where the permeability  $\mu$  is analogous to the conductivity  $\sigma$ . The term  $l/\mu A$  occurs frequently enough to be assigned the name of **reluctance** and the symbol  $\mathcal{R}$ . It is also important to recognize the *relationship*

between the reluctance of a magnetic structure and its inductance. This can be derived easily starting from equation 13.14:

$$L = \frac{\lambda}{i} = \frac{N\phi}{i} = \frac{N Ni}{i \mathcal{R}} = \frac{N^2}{\mathcal{R}} \quad \text{H} \quad (13.30)$$



In summary, when an  $N$ -turn coil carrying a current  $i$  is wound around a magnetic core such as the one indicated in Figure 13.11, the mmf  $\mathcal{F}$  generated by the coil produces a flux  $\phi$  that is *mostly* concentrated within the core and is assumed to be uniform across the cross section. Within this simplified picture, then, the analysis of a magnetic circuit is analogous to that of resistive electric circuits. This analogy is illustrated in Table 13.3 and in the examples in this section.

**Table 13.3** Analogy between electric and magnetic circuits

Electrical quantity	Magnetic quantity
Electrical field intensity $E$ , V/m	Magnetic field intensity $H$ , A-turns/m
Voltage $v$ , V	Magnetomotive force $\mathcal{F}$ , A-turns
Current $i$ , A	Magnetic flux $\phi$ , Wb
Current density $J$ , A/m <sup>2</sup>	Magnetic flux density $B$ , Wb/m <sup>2</sup>
Resistance $R$ , $\Omega$	Reluctance $\mathcal{R} = l/\mu A$ , A-turns/Wb
Conductivity $\sigma$ , 1/ $\Omega$ -m	Permeability $\mu$ , Wb/A-m



The usefulness of the magnetic circuit analogy can be emphasized by analyzing a magnetic core similar to that of Figure 13.11, but with a slightly modified geometry. Figure 13.12 depicts the magnetic structure and its equivalent-circuit analogy. In the figure, we see that the mmf  $\mathcal{F} = Ni$  excites the magnetic circuit, which is composed of four legs: two of mean path length  $l_1$  and cross-sectional area  $A_1 = d_1 w$ , and the other two of mean length  $l_2$  and cross-sectional area  $A_2 = d_2 w$ . Thus, the reluctance encountered by the flux in its path around the magnetic core is given by the quantity  $\mathcal{R}_{\text{series}}$ , with

$$\mathcal{R}_{\text{series}} = 2\mathcal{R}_1 + 2\mathcal{R}_2$$

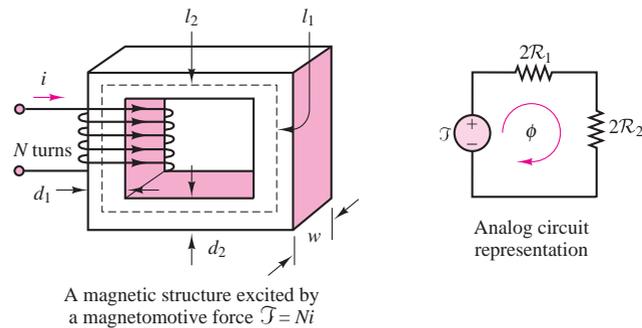
and

$$\mathcal{R}_1 = \frac{l_1}{\mu A_1} \quad \mathcal{R}_2 = \frac{l_2}{\mu A_2}$$

It is important at this stage to review the assumptions and simplifications made in analyzing the magnetic structure of Figure 13.12:

1. All the magnetic flux is linked by all the turns of the coil.
2. The flux is confined exclusively within the magnetic core.
3. The density of the flux is uniform across the cross-sectional area of the core.





**Figure 13.12** Analogy between magnetic and electric circuits

You can probably see intuitively that the first of these assumptions might not hold true near the ends of the coil, but that it might be more reasonable if the coil is tightly wound. The second assumption is equivalent to stating that the relative permeability of the core is infinitely higher than that of air (presuming that this is the medium surrounding the core); if this were the case, the flux would indeed be confined within the core. It is worthwhile to note that we make a similar assumption when we treat wires in electric circuits as perfect conductors: The conductivity of copper is substantially greater than that of free space, by a factor of approximately  $10^{15}$ . In the case of magnetic materials, however, even for the best alloys, we have a relative permeability only on the order of  $10^3$  to  $10^4$ . Thus, an approximation that is quite appropriate for electric circuits is not nearly as good in the case of magnetic circuits. Some of the flux in a structure such as those of Figures 13.11 and 13.12 would thus not be confined within the core (this is usually referred to as **leakage flux**). Finally, the assumption that the flux is uniform across the core cannot hold for a finite-permeability medium, but it is very helpful in giving an approximate *mean* behavior of the magnetic circuit.

The magnetic circuit analogy is therefore far from being exact. However, short of employing the tools of electromagnetic field theory and of vector calculus, or advanced numerical simulation software, it is the most convenient tool at the engineer's disposal for the analysis of magnetic structures. In the remainder of this chapter, the approximate analysis based on the electric circuit analogy will be used to obtain approximate solutions to problems involving a variety of useful magnetic circuits, many of which you are already familiar with. Among these will be the loudspeaker, solenoids, automotive fuel injectors, sensors for the measurement of linear and angular velocity and position, and other interesting applications.



### EXAMPLE 13.2 Analysis of Magnetic Structure and Equivalent Magnetic Circuit

#### Problem

Calculate the flux, flux density, and field intensity on the magnetic structure of Figure 13.13.

### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Relative permeability; number of coil turns; coil current; structure geometry.

**Find:**  $\phi$ ;  $B$ ;  $H$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $\mu_r = 1,000$ ;  $N = 500$  turns;  $i = 0.1$  A. The cross-sectional area is  $A = w^2 = (0.01)^2 = 0.0001$  m<sup>2</sup>. The magnetic circuit geometry is defined in Figures 13.13 and 13.14.

**Assumptions:** All magnetic flux is linked by the coil; the flux is confined to the magnetic core; the flux density is uniform.

**Analysis:**

1. *Calculation of magnetomotive force.* From equation 13.28, we calculate the magnetomotive force:

$$\mathcal{F} = \text{mmf} = Ni = (500 \text{ turns})(0.1 \text{ A}) = 50 \text{ A-turns}$$

2. *Calculation of mean path.* Next, we estimate the mean path of the magnetic flux. On the basis of the assumptions, we can calculate a mean path that runs through the geometric center of the magnetic structure, as shown in Figure 13.14. The path length is

$$l_c = 4 \times 0.09 \text{ m} = 0.36 \text{ m}$$

3. *Calculation of reluctance.* Knowing the magnetic path length and cross-sectional area, we can calculate the reluctance of the circuit:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{R} &= \frac{l_c}{\mu A} = \frac{l_c}{\mu_r \mu_0 A} = \frac{0.36}{1,000 \times 4\pi \times 10^{-7} \times 0.0001} \\ &= 2.865 \times 10^6 \text{ A-turns/Wb} \end{aligned}$$

The corresponding equivalent magnetic circuit is shown in Figure 13.15.

4. *Calculation of magnetic flux, flux density, and field intensity.* On the basis of the assumptions, we can now calculate the magnetic flux

$$\phi = \frac{\mathcal{F}}{\mathcal{R}} = \frac{50 \text{ A-turns}}{2.865 \times 10^6 \text{ A-turns/Wb}} = 1.75 \times 10^{-5} \text{ Wb}$$

the flux density

$$B = \frac{\phi}{A} = \frac{\phi}{w^2} = \frac{1.75 \times 10^{-5} \text{ Wb}}{0.0001 \text{ m}^2} = 0.175 \text{ Wb/m}^2$$

and the magnetic field intensity

$$H = \frac{B}{\mu} = \frac{B}{\mu_r \mu_0} = \frac{0.175 \text{ Wb/m}^2}{1,000 \times 4\pi \times 10^{-7} \text{ H/m}} = 139 \text{ A-turns/m}$$

**Comments:** This example has illustrated all the basic calculations that pertain to magnetic structures. Remember that the assumptions stated in this example (and earlier in the chapter) simplify the problem and make its approximate numerical solution possible in a few simple steps. In reality, flux leakage, fringing, and uneven distribution of flux across the structure would require the solution of three-dimensional equations using finite-element methods. These methods are not discussed in this book, but are necessary for practical engineering designs.

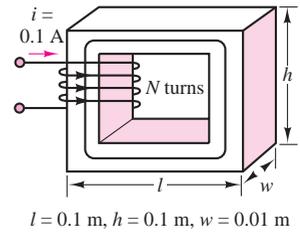


Figure 13.13

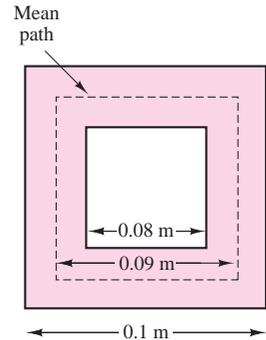


Figure 13.14

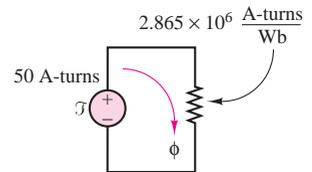


Figure 13.15

The usefulness of these approximate methods is that you can, for example, quickly calculate the approximate magnitude of the current required to generate a given magnetic flux or flux density. You shall soon see how these calculations can be used to determine electromagnetic energy and magnetic forces in practical structures.

The methodology described in this example is summarized in the following Focus on Methodology box.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Determine the equivalent reluctance of the structure of Figure 13.16 as seen by the “source” if  $\mu_r$  for the structure is 1,000,  $l = 5$  cm, and all the legs are 1 cm on a side.

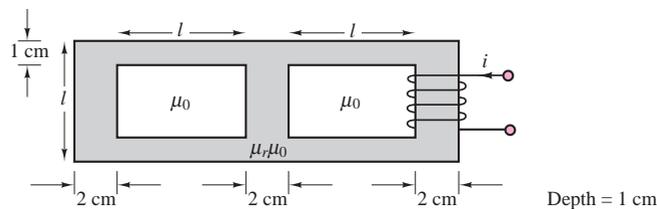


Figure 13.16

Answer: Assuming a mean path 1 cm from the edges of the structure,  $\mathcal{R}_{eq} = 1.6 \times 10^6$  A-turns/Wb



## FOCUS ON METHODOLOGY

### MAGNETIC STRUCTURES AND EQUIVALENT MAGNETIC CIRCUITS

#### Direct Problem

*Given*—The structure geometry and the coil parameters.

*Calculate*—The magnetic flux in the structure.

1. Compute the mmf.
2. Determine the length and cross section of the magnetic path for each continuous *leg* or section of the path.
3. Calculate the equivalent reluctance of the *leg*.
4. Generate the equivalent magnetic circuit diagram, and calculate the total equivalent reluctance.
5. Calculate the flux, flux density, and magnetic field intensity, as needed.

#### Inverse Problem

*Given*—The desired flux or flux density and structure geometry.

*Calculate*—The necessary coil current and number of turns.

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## FOCUS ON METHODOLOGY

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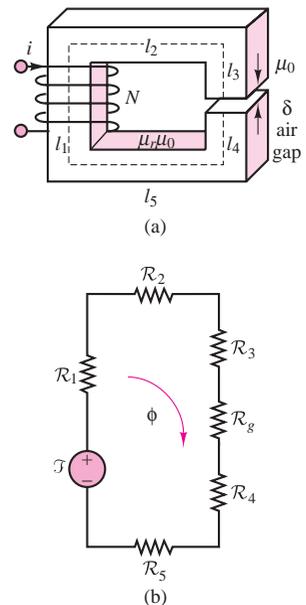
1. Calculate the total equivalent reluctance of the structure from the desired flux.
2. Generate the equivalent magnetic circuit diagram.
3. Determine the mmf required to establish the required flux.
4. Choose the coil current and number of turns required to establish the desired mmf.

Consider the analysis of the same simple magnetic structure when an **air gap** is present. Air gaps are very common in magnetic structures; in rotating machines, for example, air gaps are necessary to allow for free rotation of the inner core of the machine. The magnetic circuit of Figure 13.17(a) differs from the circuit analyzed in Example 13.2 simply because of the presence of an air gap; the effect of the gap is to break the continuity of the high-permeability path for the flux, adding a high-reluctance component to the equivalent circuit. The situation is analogous to adding a very large series resistance to a series electric circuit. It should be evident from Figure 13.17(a) that the basic concept of reluctance still applies, although now two different permeabilities must be taken into account.

The equivalent circuit for the structure of Figure 13.17(a) may be drawn as shown in Figure 13.17(b), where  $\mathcal{R}_n$  is the reluctance of path  $l_n$ , for  $n = 1, 2, \dots, 5$ , and  $\mathcal{R}_g$  is the reluctance of the air gap. The reluctances can be expressed as follows, if we assume that the magnetic structure has a uniform cross-sectional area  $A$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{R}_1 &= \frac{l_1}{\mu_r \mu_0 A} & \mathcal{R}_2 &= \frac{l_2}{\mu_r \mu_0 A} & \mathcal{R}_3 &= \frac{l_3}{\mu_r \mu_0 A} \\
 \mathcal{R}_4 &= \frac{l_4}{\mu_r \mu_0 A} & \mathcal{R}_5 &= \frac{l_5}{\mu_r \mu_0 A} & \mathcal{R}_g &= \frac{\delta}{\mu_0 A_g}
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{13.31}$$

Note that in computing  $\mathcal{R}_g$ , the length of the gap is given by  $\delta$  and the permeability is given by  $\mu_0$ , as expected, but  $A_g$  is different from the cross-sectional area  $A$  of the structure. This is so because the flux lines exhibit a phenomenon known as **fringing** as they cross an air gap. The flux lines actually *bow out* of the gap defined by the cross section  $A$ , not being contained by the high-permeability material any longer. Thus, it is customary to define an area  $A_g$  that is greater than  $A$ , to account for this phenomenon. Example 13.3 describes in greater detail the procedure for finding  $A_g$  and also discusses the phenomenon of fringing.



**Figure 13.17** (a) Magnetic circuit with air gap; (b) equivalent representation of magnetic circuit with an air gap

### EXAMPLE 13.3 Magnetic Structure with Air Gaps

#### Problem

Compute the equivalent reluctance of the magnetic circuit of Figure 13.18 and the flux density established in the bottom bar of the structure.



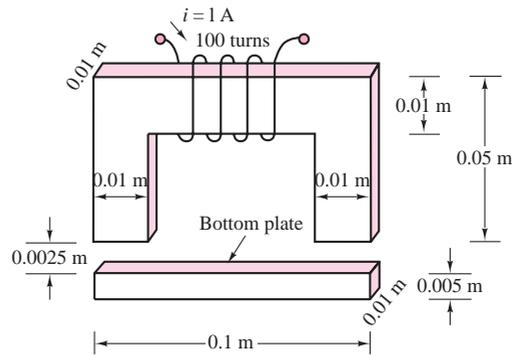


Figure 13.18 Electromagnetic structure with air gaps

### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Relative permeability; number of coil turns; coil current; structure geometry.

**Find:**  $\mathcal{R}_{\text{eq}}$ ;  $B_{\text{bar}}$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $\mu_r = 10,000$ ;  $N = 100$  turns;  $i = 1$  A.

**Assumptions:** All magnetic flux is linked by the coil; the flux is confined to the magnetic core; the flux density is uniform.

### Analysis:

1. *Calculation of magnetomotive force.* From equation 13.28, we calculate the magnetomotive force:

$$\mathcal{F} = \text{mmf} = Ni = (100 \text{ turns})(1 \text{ A}) = 100 \text{ A-turns}$$

2. *Calculation of mean path.* Figure 13.19 depicts the geometry. The path length is

$$l_c = l_1 + l_2 + l_3 + l_4 + l_5 + l_6 + l_g + l_g$$

However, the path must be broken into three legs: the upside-down U-shaped element, the air gaps, and the bar. We cannot treat these three parts as one because the relative permeability of the magnetic material is very different from that of the air gap. Thus, we define the following three paths, neglecting the very small (half bar thickness) lengths  $l_5$  and  $l_6$ :

$$l_U = l_1 + l_2 + l_3 \quad l_{\text{bar}} = l_4 + l_5 + l_6 \approx l_4 \quad l_{\text{gap}} = l_g + l_g$$

where

$$l_U = 0.18 \text{ m} \quad l_{\text{bar}} = 0.09 \text{ m} \quad l_{\text{gap}} = 0.005 \text{ m}$$

Next, we compute the cross-sectional area. For the magnetic structure, we calculate the square cross section to be  $A = w^2 = (0.01)^2 = 0.0001 \text{ m}^2$ . For the air gap, we will make an empirical adjustment to account for the phenomenon of *fringing*, that is, to account for the tendency of the magnetic flux lines to bow out of the magnetic path, as illustrated in Figure 13.20. A rule of thumb used to account for fringing is to add the length of the gap to the actual cross-sectional area. Thus

$$A_{\text{gap}} = (0.01 \text{ m} + l_g)^2 = (0.0125)^2 = 0.15625 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}^2$$

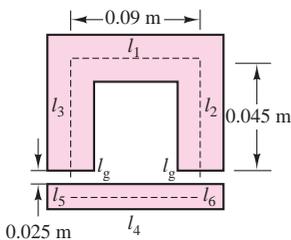


Figure 13.19

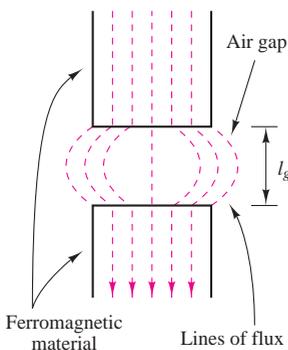


Figure 13.20 Fringing effects in air gap

3. *Calculation of reluctance.* Knowing the magnetic path length and cross-sectional area, we can calculate the reluctance of each leg of the circuit:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{R}_U &= \frac{l_U}{\mu_U A} = \frac{l_U}{\mu_r \mu_0 A} = \frac{0.18}{10,000 \times 4\pi \times 10^{-7} \times 0.0001} \\ &= 1.43 \times 10^5 \text{ A-turns/Wb}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{R}_{\text{bar}} &= \frac{l_{\text{bar}}}{\mu_{\text{bar}} A} = \frac{l_{\text{bar}}}{\mu_r \mu_0 A} = \frac{0.09}{10,000 \times 4\pi \times 10^{-7} \times 0.0001} \\ &= 0.715 \times 10^5 \text{ A-turns/Wb}\end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{R}_{\text{gap}} = \frac{l_{\text{gap}}}{\mu_{\text{gap}} A_{\text{gap}}} = \frac{l_{\text{gap}}}{\mu_0 A_{\text{gap}}} = \frac{0.005}{4\pi \times 10^{-7} \times 0.0001} = 3.98 \times 10^7 \text{ A-turns/Wb}$$

Note that the reluctance of the air gap is dominant with respect to that of the magnetic structure, in spite of the small dimension of the gap. This is so because the relative permeability of the air gap is much smaller than that of the magnetic material.

The equivalent reluctance of the structure is

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{R}_{\text{eq}} &= \mathcal{R}_U + \mathcal{R}_{\text{bar}} + \mathcal{R}_{\text{gap}} = 1.43 \times 10^5 + 0.715 \times 10^5 + 2.55 \times 10^7 \\ &= 4 \times 10^7 \text{ A-turns/Wb}\end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$\mathcal{R}_{\text{eq}} \approx \mathcal{R}_{\text{gap}}$$

Since the gap reluctance is two orders of magnitude greater than the reluctance of the magnetic structure, it is reasonable to neglect the magnetic structure reluctance and work only with the gap reluctance in calculating the magnetic flux.

4. *Calculation of magnetic flux and flux density in the bar.* From the result of the preceding subsection, we calculate the flux

$$\phi = \frac{\mathcal{F}}{\mathcal{R}_{\text{eq}}} \approx \frac{\mathcal{F}}{\mathcal{R}_{\text{gap}}} = \frac{100 \text{ A-turns}}{2.55 \times 10^7 \text{ A-turns/Wb}} = 2.51 \times 10^{-6} \text{ Wb}$$

and the flux density in the bar

$$B_{\text{bar}} = \frac{\phi}{A} = \frac{3.92 \times 10^{-6} \text{ Wb}}{0.0001 \text{ m}^2} = 25.1 \times 10^{-3} \text{ Wb/m}^2$$

**Comments:** It is very common to neglect the reluctance of the magnetic material sections in these approximate calculations. We shall make this assumption very frequently in the remainder of the chapter.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Find the equivalent reluctance of the magnetic circuit shown in Figure 13.21 if  $\mu_r$  of the structure is infinite,  $\delta = 2 \text{ mm}$ , and the physical cross section of the core is  $1 \text{ cm}^2$ . Do not neglect fringing.

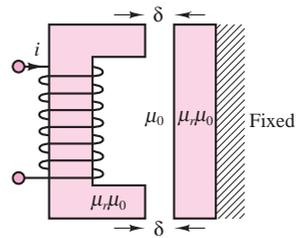


Figure 13.21

$$\text{Answer: } \mathcal{R}_{\text{eq}} = 22 \times 10^6 \text{ A-turns/Wb}$$



### EXAMPLE 13.4 Magnetic Structure of Electric Motor

#### Problem

Figure 13.22 depicts the configuration of an electric motor. The electric motor consists of a *stator* and a *rotor*. Compute the air gap flux and flux density.

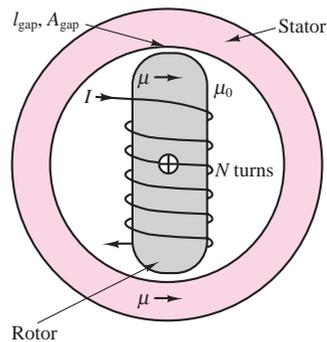


Figure 13.22 Cross-sectional view of synchronous motor

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Relative permeability; number of coil turns; coil current; structure geometry.

**Find:**  $\phi_{\text{gap}}$ ;  $B_{\text{gap}}$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $\mu_r \rightarrow \infty$ ;  $N = 1,000$  turns;  $i = 10$  A;  $l_{\text{gap}} = 0.01$  m;  $A_{\text{gap}} = 0.1$  m<sup>2</sup>. The magnetic circuit geometry is defined in Figure 13.22.

**Assumptions:** All magnetic flux is linked by the coil; the flux is confined to the magnetic core; the flux density is uniform. The reluctance of the magnetic structure is negligible.

#### Analysis:

1. *Calculation of magnetomotive force.* From equation 13.28, we calculate the magnetomotive force:

$$\mathcal{F} = \text{mmf} = Ni = (1,000 \text{ turns})(10 \text{ A}) = 10,000 \text{ A-turns}$$

2. *Calculation of reluctance.* Knowing the magnetic path length and cross-sectional area, we can calculate the equivalent reluctance of the two gaps:

$$\mathcal{R}_{\text{gap}} = \frac{l_{\text{gap}}}{\mu_{\text{gap}} A_{\text{gap}}} = \frac{l_{\text{gap}}}{\mu_0 A_{\text{gap}}} = \frac{0.01}{4\pi \times 10^{-7} \times 0.1} = 7.96 \times 10^4 \text{ A-turns/Wb}$$

$$\mathcal{R}_{\text{eq}} = 2\mathcal{R}_{\text{gap}} = 1.59 \times 10^5 \text{ A-turns/Wb}$$

3. *Calculation of magnetic flux and flux density.* From the results of steps 1 and 2, we calculate the flux

$$\phi = \frac{\mathcal{F}}{\mathcal{R}_{\text{eq}}} = \frac{10,000 \text{ A-turns}}{1.59 \times 10^5 \text{ A-turns/Wb}} = 0.0628 \text{ Wb}$$

and the flux density

$$B_{\text{bar}} = \frac{\phi}{A} = \frac{0.0628 \text{ Wb}}{0.1 \text{ m}^2} = 0.628 \text{ Wb/m}^2$$

**Comments:** Note that the flux and flux density in this structure are significantly larger than those in Example 13.3 because of the larger mmf and larger gap area of this magnetic structure. The subject of electric motors will be formally approached in Chapter 14.

### EXAMPLE 13.5 Equivalent Circuit of Magnetic Structure with Multiple Air Gaps



#### Problem

Figure 13.23 depicts the configuration of a magnetic structure with two air gaps. Determine the equivalent circuit of the structure.

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Structure geometry.

**Find:** Equivalent-circuit diagram.

**Assumptions:** All magnetic flux is linked by the coil; the flux is confined to the magnetic core; the flux density is uniform. The reluctance of the magnetic structure is negligible.

#### Analysis:

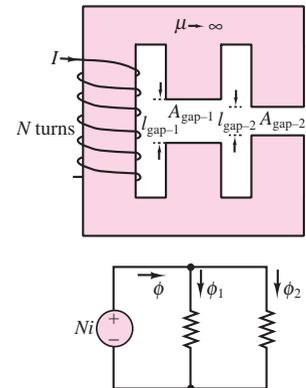
1. *Calculation of magnetomotive force.*

$$\mathcal{F} = \text{mmf} = Ni$$

2. *Calculation of reluctance.* Knowing the magnetic path length and cross-sectional area, we can calculate the equivalent reluctance of the two gaps:

$$\mathcal{R}_{\text{gap-1}} = \frac{l_{\text{gap-1}}}{\mu_{\text{gap-1}} A_{\text{gap-1}}} = \frac{l_{\text{gap-1}}}{\mu_0 A_{\text{gap-1}}}$$

$$\mathcal{R}_{\text{gap-2}} = \frac{l_{\text{gap-2}}}{\mu_{\text{gap-2}} A_{\text{gap-2}}} = \frac{l_{\text{gap-2}}}{\mu_0 A_{\text{gap-2}}}$$



**Figure 13.23** Magnetic structure with two air gaps

3. *Calculation of magnetic flux and flux density.* Note that the flux must now divide between the two legs, and that a different air-gap flux will exist in each leg. Thus

$$\phi_1 = \frac{Ni}{\mathcal{R}_{\text{gap-1}}} = \frac{Ni\mu_0 A_{\text{gap-1}}}{l_{\text{gap-1}}}$$

$$\phi_2 = \frac{Ni}{\mathcal{R}_{\text{gap-2}}} = \frac{Ni\mu_0 A_{\text{gap-2}}}{l_{\text{gap-2}}}$$

and the total flux generated by the coil is  $\phi = \phi_1 + \phi_2$ .

The equivalent circuit is shown in the bottom half of Figure 13.23.

**Comments:** Note that the two legs of the structure act as resistors in a parallel circuit.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

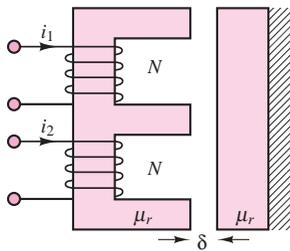


Figure 13.24

Find the equivalent magnetic circuit of the structure of Figure 13.24 if  $\mu_r$  is infinite. Give expressions for each of the circuit values if the physical cross-sectional area of each of the legs is given by

$$A = l \times w$$

Do not neglect fringing.

$$\text{Answer: } \mathcal{R}_g = \mathcal{R}_2 = \mathcal{R}_1 = \mathcal{R}_3 = \delta / \mu_0 (l + \delta) (w + \delta); \mathcal{F}_1 = Ni; \mathcal{F}_2 = Ni; \mathcal{F}_3 = Ni$$



## EXAMPLE 13.6 Inductance, Stored Energy, and Induced Voltage

### Problem

- Determine the inductance and the magnetic stored energy for the structure of Figure 13.17(a). The structure is identical to that of Example 13.2 except for the air gap.
- Assume that the flux density in the air gap varies sinusoidally as  $B(t) = B_0 \sin(\omega t)$ . Determine the induced voltage across the coil  $e$ .

### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Relative permeability; number of coil turns; coil current; structure geometry; flux density in air gap.

**Find:**  $L$ ;  $W_m$ ;  $e$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $\mu_r \rightarrow \infty$ ;  $N = 500$  turns;  $i = 0.1$  A. The magnetic circuit geometry is defined in Figures 13.13 and 13.14. The air gap has  $l_g = 0.002$  m.  $B_0 = 0.6$  Wb/m<sup>2</sup>.

**Assumptions:** All magnetic flux is linked by the coil; the flux is confined to the magnetic core; the flux density is uniform. The reluctance of the magnetic structure is negligible.

**Analysis:**

1. To calculate the inductance of this magnetic structure, we use equation 13.30:

$$L = \frac{N^2}{\mathcal{R}}$$

Thus, we need to first calculate the reluctance. Assuming that the reluctance of the structure is negligible, we have

$$\mathcal{R}_{\text{gap}} = \frac{l_{\text{gap}}}{\mu_{\text{gap}} A_{\text{gap}}} = \frac{l_{\text{gap}}}{\mu_0 A_{\text{gap}}} = \frac{0.002}{4\pi \times 10^{-7} \times 0.0001} = 1.59 \times 10^7 \text{ A-turns/Wb}$$

and

$$L = \frac{N^2}{\mathcal{R}} = \frac{500^2}{1.59 \times 10^7} = 0.157 \text{ H}$$

Finally, we can calculate the stored magnetic energy as follows:

$$W_m = \frac{1}{2} Li^2 = \frac{1}{2} \times (0.157 \text{ H}) \times (0.1 \text{ A})^2 = 0.785 \times 10^{-3} \text{ J}$$

2. To calculate the induced voltage due to a time-varying magnetic flux, we use equation 13.16:

$$\begin{aligned} e &= \frac{d\lambda}{dt} = N \frac{d\phi}{dt} = NA \frac{dB}{dt} = NAB_0 \omega \cos(\omega t) \\ &= 500 \times 0.0001 \times 0.6 \times 377 \cos(377t) = 11.31 \cos(377t) \quad \text{V} \end{aligned}$$

**Comments:** The voltage induced across a coil in an electromagnetic transducer is a very important quantity called the *back electromotive force*, or back emf. We shall make use of this quantity in Section 13.5.

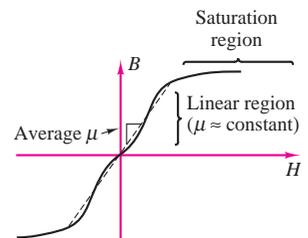
### 13.3 MAGNETIC MATERIALS AND $B$ - $H$ CURVES

In the analysis of magnetic circuits presented in the previous sections, the relative permeability  $\mu_r$  was treated as a constant. In fact, the relationship between the magnetic flux density  $\mathbf{B}$  and the associated field intensity  $\mathbf{H}$

$$\mathbf{B} = \mu \mathbf{H} \quad (13.32)$$

is characterized by the fact that the relative permeability of magnetic materials is not a constant, but is a function of the magnetic field intensity. In effect, all magnetic materials exhibit a phenomenon called **saturation**, whereby the flux density increases in proportion to the field intensity until it cannot do so any longer. Figure 13.25 illustrates the general behavior of all magnetic materials. You will note that since the  $B$ - $H$  curve shown in the figure is nonlinear, the value of  $\mu$  (which is the slope of the curve) depends on the intensity of the magnetic field.

To understand the reasons for the saturation of a magnetic material, we need to briefly review the mechanism of magnetization. The basic idea behind magnetic materials is that the spin of electrons constitutes motion of charge, and therefore leads to magnetic effects, as explained in the introductory section of this chapter. In most materials, the electron spins cancel out, on the whole, and no net effect remains. In ferromagnetic materials, on the other hand, atoms can align so that the electron spins cause a net magnetic effect. In such materials, there exist small regions with strong



**Figure 13.25** Permeability and magnetic saturation effects



magnetic properties, called **magnetic domains**, the effects of which are neutralized in unmagnetized material by other, similar regions that are oriented differently, in a random pattern. When the material is magnetized, the magnetic domains tend to align with one another, to a degree that is determined by the intensity of the applied magnetic field.

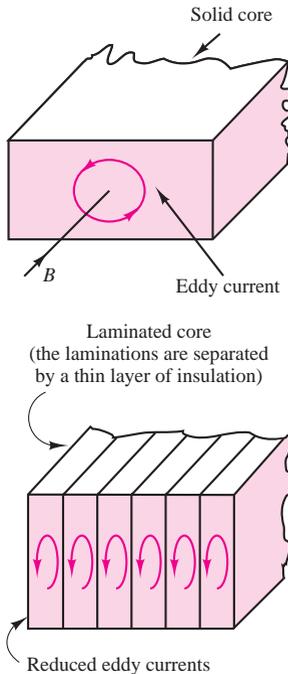
In effect, the large number of miniature magnets within the material is *polarized* by the external magnetic field. As the field increases, more and more domains become aligned. When all the domains have become aligned, any further increase in magnetic field intensity does not yield an increase in flux density beyond the increase that would be caused in a nonmagnetic material. Thus, the relative permeability  $\mu_r$  approaches 1 in the saturation region. It should be apparent that an exact value of  $\mu_r$  cannot be determined; the value of  $\mu_r$  used in the earlier examples is to be interpreted as an average permeability, for intermediate values of flux density. As a point of reference, commercial magnetic steels saturate at flux densities around a few teslas. Figure 13.28, shown later in this section, will provide some actual  $B$ - $H$  curves for common ferromagnetic materials.

The phenomenon of saturation carries some interesting implications with regard to the operation of magnetic circuits: The results of the previous section would seem to imply that an increase in the mmf (i.e., an increase in the current driving the coil) would lead to a proportional increase in the magnetic flux. This is true in the *linear region* of Figure 13.25; however, as the material reaches saturation, further increases in the driving current (or, equivalently, in the mmf) do not yield further increases in the magnetic flux.

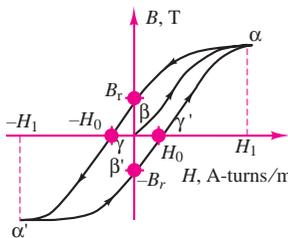
There are two more features that cause magnetic materials to further deviate from the ideal model of the linear  $B$ - $H$  relationship: **eddy currents** and **hysteresis**. The first phenomenon consists of currents that are caused by any time-varying flux in the core material. As you know, a time-varying flux will induce a voltage, and therefore a current. When this happens inside the magnetic core, the induced voltage will cause *eddy currents* (the terminology should be self-explanatory) in the core, which depend on the resistivity of the core. Figure 13.26 illustrates the phenomenon of eddy currents. The effect of these currents is to dissipate energy in the form of heat. Eddy currents are reduced by selecting high-resistivity core materials, or by *laminating* the core, introducing tiny, discontinuous air gaps between core layers (see Figure 13.26). Lamination of the core reduces eddy currents greatly without affecting the magnetic properties of the core.

It is beyond the scope of this chapter to quantify the losses caused by induced eddy currents, but it will be important in Chapter 14 to be aware of this source of energy loss.

Hysteresis is another loss mechanism in magnetic materials; it displays a rather complex behavior, related to the magnetization properties of a material. The curve of Figure 13.27 reveals that the  $B$ - $H$  curve for a magnetic material during magnetization (as  $H$  is increased) is displaced with respect to the curve that is measured when the material is demagnetized. To understand the hysteresis process, consider a core that has been energized for some time, with a field intensity of  $H_1$  A-turns/m. As the current required to sustain the mmf corresponding to  $H_1$  is decreased, we follow the hysteresis curve from the point  $\alpha$  to the point  $\beta$ . When the mmf is exactly zero, the material displays the **remanent** (or **residual**) **magnetization**  $B_r$ . To bring the flux density to zero, we must further decrease the mmf (i.e., produce a negative current) until the field intensity reaches the value  $-H_0$  (point  $\gamma$  on the curve). As the mmf is made more negative, the curve eventually reaches the point  $\alpha'$ . If the excitation current to the coil



**Figure 13.26** Eddy currents in magnetic structures



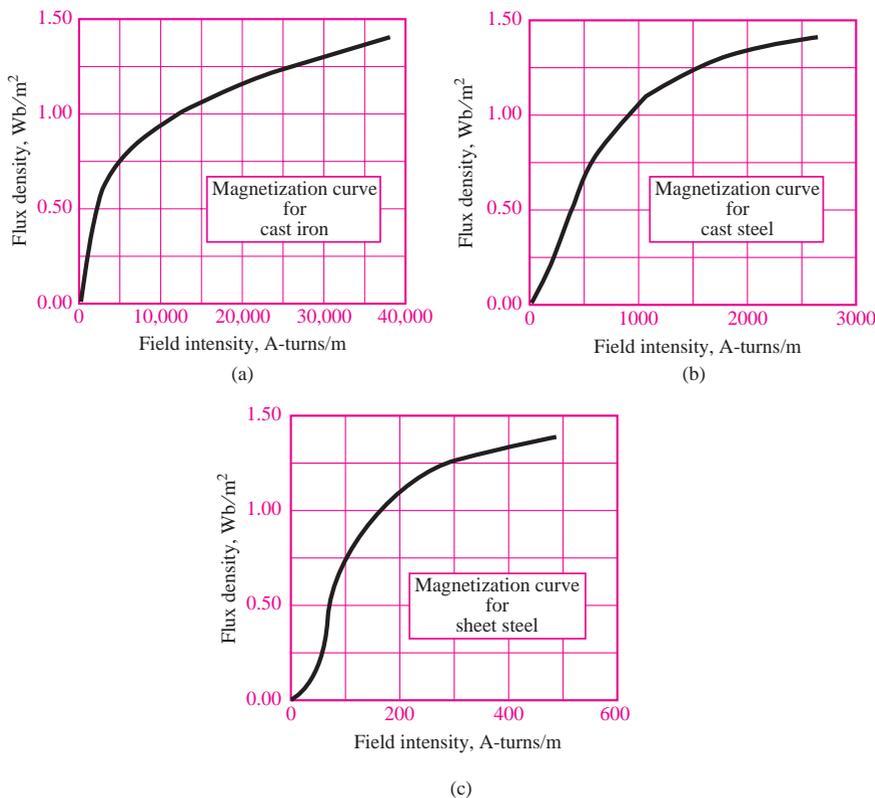
**Figure 13.27** Hysteresis in magnetization curves



is now increased, the magnetization curve will follow the path  $\alpha' = \beta' = \gamma' = \alpha$ , eventually returning to the original point in the  $B$ - $H$  plane, but via a different path.

The result of this process, by which an *excess magnetomotive force* is required to magnetize or demagnetize the material, is a net energy loss. It is difficult to evaluate this loss exactly; however, it can be shown that it is related to the area between the curves of Figure 13.27. There are experimental techniques that enable the approximate measurement of these losses.

Figure 13.28(a) through (c) depicts magnetization curves for three very common ferromagnetic materials: cast iron, cast steel, and sheet steel. These curves will be useful in solving some of the homework problems.



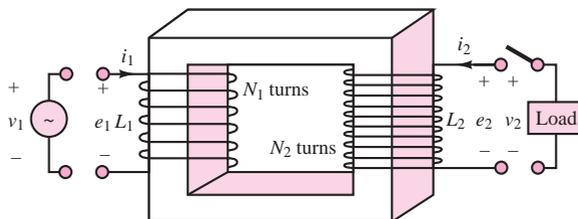
**Figure 13.28** (a) Magnetization curve for cast iron; (b) magnetization curve for cast steel; (c) magnetization curve for sheet steel

## 13.4 TRANSFORMERS

One of the more common magnetic structures in everyday applications is the **transformer**. The ideal transformer was introduced in Chapter 7 as a device that can step an AC voltage up or down by a fixed ratio, with a corresponding decrease or increase in current. The structure of a simple magnetic transformer is shown in Figure 13.29, which illustrates that a transformer is very similar to the magnetic circuits described earlier in this chapter. Coil  $L_1$  represents the input side of the transformer, while coil  $L_2$  is the output coil; both coils are wound around the same magnetic



structure, which we show here to be similar to the “square doughnut” of the earlier examples.



**Figure 13.29** Structure of a transformer

The ideal transformer operates on the basis of the same set of assumptions we made in earlier sections: The flux is confined to the core, the flux links all turns of both coils, and the permeability of the core is infinite. The last assumption is equivalent to stating that an arbitrarily small mmf is sufficient to establish a flux in the core. In addition, we assume that the ideal transformer coils offer negligible resistance to current flow.

The operation of a transformer requires a time-varying current; if a time-varying voltage is applied to the primary side of the transformer, a corresponding current will flow in  $L_1$ ; this current acts as an mmf and causes a (time-varying) flux in the structure. But the existence of a changing flux will induce an emf across the secondary coil! Without the need for a direct electrical connection, the transformer can couple a source voltage at the primary to the load; the coupling occurs by means of the magnetic field acting on both coils. Thus, a transformer operates by converting electric energy to magnetic, and then back to electric. The following derivation illustrates this viewpoint in the ideal case (no loss of energy) and compares the result with the definition of the ideal transformer in Chapter 7.

If a time-varying voltage source is connected to the input side, then by virtue of Faraday’s law, a corresponding time-varying flux  $d\phi/dt$  is established in coil  $L_1$ :

$$e_1 = N_1 \frac{d\phi}{dt} = v_1 \quad (13.33)$$

But since the flux thus produced also links coil  $L_2$ , an emf is induced across the output coil as well:

$$e_2 = N_2 \frac{d\phi}{dt} = v_2 \quad (13.34)$$

This induced emf can be measured as the voltage  $v_2$  at the output terminals, and one can readily see that the ratio of the open-circuit output voltage to input-terminal voltage is

$$\frac{v_2}{v_1} = \frac{N_2}{N_1} = N \quad (13.35)$$

If a load current  $i_2$  is now required by the connection of a load to the output circuit (by closing the switch in the figure), the corresponding mmf is  $\mathcal{F}_2 = N_2 i_2$ . This mmf, generated by the load current  $i_2$ , would cause the flux in the core to change; however, this is not possible, since a change in  $\phi$  would cause a corresponding change in the voltage induced across the input coil. But this voltage is determined (fixed) by the source  $v_1$  (and is therefore  $d\phi/dt$ ), so that the input coil is forced to generate a

**counter-mmf** to oppose the mmf of the output coil; this is accomplished as the input coil draws a current  $i_1$  from the source  $v_1$  such that

$$i_1 N_1 = i_2 N_2 \quad (13.36)$$

or

$$\frac{i_2}{i_1} = \frac{N_1}{N_2} = \alpha = \frac{1}{N} \quad (13.37)$$

where  $\alpha$  is the ratio of primary to secondary turns (the transformer ratio) and  $N_1$  and  $N_2$  are the primary and secondary turns, respectively. If there were any net difference between the input and output mmf, the flux balance required by the input voltage source would not be satisfied. Thus, the two magnetomotive forces must be equal. As you can easily verify, these results are the same as in Chapter 7; in particular, the ideal transformer does not dissipate any power, since

$$v_1 i_1 = v_2 i_2 \quad (13.38)$$

Note the distinction we have made between the induced voltages (emf's)  $e$  and the terminal voltages  $v$ . In general, these are not the same.

The results obtained for the ideal case do not completely represent the physical nature of transformers. A number of loss mechanisms need to be included in a practical transformer model, to account for the effects of leakage flux, for various magnetic core losses (e.g., hysteresis), and for the unavoidable resistance of the wires that form the coils.

Commercial transformer ratings are usually given on the **nameplate**, which indicates the normal operating conditions. The nameplate includes the following parameters:

- Primary-to-secondary voltage ratio
- Design frequency of operation
- (Apparent) rated output power

For example, a typical nameplate might read 480:240 V, 60 Hz, 2 kVA. The voltage ratio can be used to determine the turns ratio, while the rated output power represents the continuous power level that can be sustained without overheating. It is important that this power be rated as the apparent power in kilovoltamperes, rather than real power in kilowatts, since a load with low power factor would still draw current and therefore operate near rated power. Another important performance characteristic of a transformer is its **power efficiency**, defined by

$$\text{Power efficiency } \eta = \frac{\text{Output power}}{\text{Input power}} \quad (13.39)$$

Examples 13.7 and 13.8 illustrate the use of the nameplate ratings and the calculation of efficiency in a practical transformer, in addition to demonstrating the application of the circuit models.

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### EXAMPLE 13.7 Transformer Nameplate

#### Problem

Determine the turns ratio and the rated currents of a transformer from nameplate data.



**Solution**

**Known Quantities:** Nameplate data.

**Find:**  $\alpha = N_1/N_2$ ;  $I_1$ ;  $I_2$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:** Nameplate data: 120 V/480 V; 48 kVA; 60 Hz.

**Assumptions:** Assume an ideal transformer.

**Analysis:** The first element in the nameplate data is a pair of voltages, indicating the primary and secondary voltages for which the transformer is rated. The ratio  $\alpha$  is found as follows:

$$\alpha = \frac{N_1}{N_2} = \frac{480}{120} = 4$$

To find the primary and secondary currents, we use the kilovoltampere rating (apparent power) of the transformer:

$$I_1 = \frac{|S|}{V_1} = \frac{48 \text{ kVA}}{480 \text{ V}} = 100 \text{ A} \quad I_2 = \frac{|S|}{V_2} = \frac{48 \text{ kVA}}{120 \text{ V}} = 400 \text{ A}$$

**Comments:** In computing the rated currents, we have assumed that no losses take place in the transformer; in fact, there will be losses due to coil resistance and magnetic core effects. These losses result in heating of the transformer and limit its rated performance.

**CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING**

The high-voltage side of a transformer has 500 turns, and the low-voltage side has 100 turns. When the transformer is connected as a step-down transformer, the load current is 12 A. Calculate (a) the turns ratio  $\alpha$  and (b) the primary current. (c) Calculate the turns ratio if the transformer is used as a step-up transformer.

The output of a transformer under certain conditions is 12 kW. The copper losses are 189 W, and the core losses are 52 W. Calculate the efficiency of this transformer.

Answers: (a)  $\alpha = 5$ ; (b)  $I_1 = I_2/\alpha = 2.4 \text{ A}$ ; (c)  $\alpha = 0.2$ ;  $\eta = 98$  percent

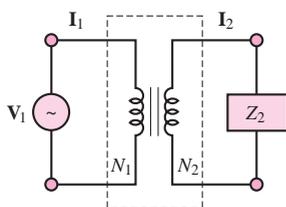
**EXAMPLE 13.8 Impedance Transformer****Problem**

Find the equivalent load impedance seen by the voltage source (i.e., reflected from secondary to primary) for the transformer of Figure 13.30.

**Solution**

**Known Quantities:** Transformer turns ratio  $\alpha$ .

**Find:** Reflected impedance  $Z'_2$ .



**Figure 13.30** Ideal transformer

**Assumptions:** Assume an ideal transformer.

**Analysis:** By definition, the load impedance is equal to the ratio of secondary phasor voltage and current:

$$Z_2 = \frac{V_2}{I_2}$$

To find the reflected impedance, we can express the above ratio in terms of primary voltage and current:

$$Z_2 = \frac{V_2}{I_2} = \frac{V_1/\alpha}{\alpha I_1} = \frac{1}{\alpha^2} \frac{V_1}{I_1}$$

where the ratio  $V_1/I_1$  is the impedance seen by the source at the primary coil, that is, the *reflected load impedance* seen by the primary (source) side of the circuit. Thus, we can write the load impedance  $Z_2$  in terms of the primary circuit voltage and current; we call this the *reflected impedance*  $Z'_2$ :

$$Z_2 = \frac{1}{\alpha^2} \frac{V_1}{I_1} = \frac{1}{\alpha^2} Z_1 = \frac{1}{\alpha^2} Z'_2$$

Thus,  $Z'_2 = \alpha^2 Z_2$ . Figure 13.31 depicts the equivalent circuit with the load impedance reflected back to the primary.

**Comments:** The equivalent reflected circuit calculations are convenient because all circuit elements can be referred to a single set of variables (i.e., only primary or secondary voltages and currents).

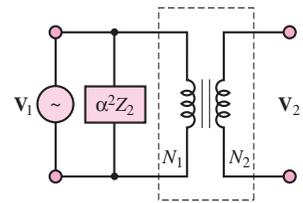


Figure 13.31

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

The output impedance of a servo amplifier is  $250 \Omega$ . The servomotor that the amplifier must drive has an impedance of  $2.5 \Omega$ . Calculate the turns ratio of the transformer required to match these impedances.

Answer:  $\alpha = 10$

## 13.5 ELECTROMECHANICAL ENERGY CONVERSION

From the material developed thus far, it should be apparent that electromagneto-mechanical devices are capable of converting mechanical forces and displacements to electromagnetic energy, and that the converse is also possible. The objective of this section is to formalize the basic principles of energy conversion in electromagneto-mechanical systems, and to illustrate its usefulness and potential for application by presenting several examples of **energy transducers**. A transducer is a device that can convert electrical to mechanical energy (in this case, it is often called an **actuator**), or vice versa (in which case it is called a **sensor**).

Several physical mechanisms permit conversion of electrical to mechanical energy and back, the principal phenomena being the **piezoelectric effect**, consisting

of the generation of a change in electric field in the presence of strain in certain crystals (e.g., quartz), and **electrostriction** and **magnetostriction**, in which changes in the dimension of certain materials lead to a change in their electrical (or magnetic) properties. Although these effects lead to many interesting applications, this chapter is concerned only with transducers in which electric energy is converted to mechanical energy through the coupling of a magnetic field. It is important to note that all rotating machines (motors and generators) fit the basic definition of electromechanical transducers we have just given.

## Forces in Magnetic Structures

Mechanical forces can be converted to electric signals, and vice versa, by means of the coupling provided by energy stored in the magnetic field. In this subsection, we discuss the computation of mechanical forces and of the corresponding electromagnetic quantities of interest; these calculations are of great practical importance in the design and application of electromechanical actuators. For example, a problem of interest is the computation of the current required to generate a given force in an electromechanical structure. This is the kind of application that is likely to be encountered by the engineer in the selection of an electromechanical device for a given task.

As already seen in this chapter, an electromechanical system includes an electrical system and a mechanical system, in addition to means through which the two can interact. The principal focus of this chapter has been the coupling that occurs through an electromagnetic field common to both the electrical system and the mechanical system; to understand electromechanical energy conversion, it will be important to understand the various energy storage and loss mechanisms in the electromagnetic field. Figure 13.32 illustrates the coupling between the electrical and mechanical systems. In the mechanical system, energy loss can occur because of the heat developed as a consequence of *friction*, while in the electrical system, analogous losses are incurred because of *resistance*. Loss mechanisms are also present in the magnetic coupling medium, since *eddy current losses* and *hysteresis losses* are unavoidable in ferromagnetic materials. Either system can supply energy, and either system can store energy. Thus, the figure depicts the flow of energy from the electrical to the mechanical system, accounting for these various losses. The same flow could be reversed if mechanical energy were converted to electrical form.

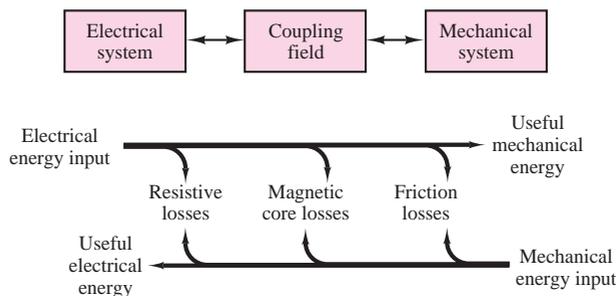


Figure 13.32

## Moving-Iron Transducers

One important class of electromagnetomechanical transducers is that of **moving-iron transducers**. The aim of this section is to derive an expression for the magnetic forces generated by such transducers and to illustrate the application of these calculations to simple, yet common devices such as electromagnets, solenoids, and relays. The simplest example of a moving-iron transducer is the **electromagnet** of Figure 13.33, in which the U-shaped element is fixed and the bar is movable. In the following paragraphs, we shall derive a relationship between the current applied to the coil, the displacement of the movable bar, and the magnetic force acting in the air gap.

The principle that will be applied throughout the section is that in order for a mass to be displaced, some work needs to be done; this work corresponds to a change in the energy stored in the electromagnetic field, which causes the mass to be displaced. With reference to Figure 13.33, let  $f_e$  represent the magnetic force acting on the bar and  $x$  the displacement of the bar, in the direction shown. Then the net work into the electromagnetic field  $W_m$  is equal to the sum of the work done by the electric circuit plus the work done by the mechanical system. Therefore, for an incremental amount of work, we can write

$$dW_m = ei dt - f_e dx \quad (13.40)$$

where  $e$  is the electromotive force across the coil and the minus sign is due to the sign convention indicated in Figure 13.33. Recalling that the emf  $e$  is equal to the derivative of the flux linkage (equation 13.16), we can further expand equation 13.40 to obtain

$$dW_m = ei dt - f_e dx = i \frac{d\lambda}{dt} dt - f_e dx = i d\lambda - f_e dx \quad (13.41)$$

or

$$f_e dx = i d\lambda - dW_m \quad (13.42)$$

Now we must observe that the flux in the magnetic structure of Figure 13.33 depends on two variables, which are in effect independent: the current flowing through the coil and the displacement of the bar. Each of these variables can cause the magnetic flux to change. Similarly, the energy stored in the electromagnetic field is also dependent on both current and displacement. Thus we can rewrite equation 13.42 as follows:

$$f_e dx = i \left( \frac{\partial \lambda}{\partial i} di + \frac{\partial \lambda}{\partial x} dx \right) - \left( \frac{\partial W_m}{\partial i} di + \frac{\partial W_m}{\partial x} dx \right) \quad (13.43)$$

Since  $i$  and  $x$  are independent variables, we can write

$$f_e = i \frac{\partial \lambda}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial W_m}{\partial x} \quad \text{and} \quad 0 = i \frac{\partial \lambda}{\partial i} - \frac{\partial W_m}{\partial i} \quad (13.44)$$

From the first of the expressions in equation 13.44 we obtain the relationship

$$f_e = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (i\lambda - W_m) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (W'_m) \quad (13.45)$$

where the term  $W'_m$  was defined as the co-energy in equation 13.18. Finally, we observe that the force acting to *pull* the bar toward the electromagnet structure, which we will call  $f$ , is of opposite sign relative to  $f_e$ , and assuming that  $W_m = W'_m$ ,

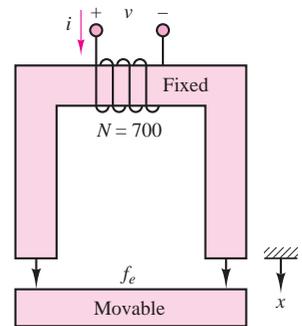


Figure 13.33

we can write

$$f = -f_e = -\frac{\partial}{\partial x}(W'_m) = -\frac{\partial W_m}{\partial x} \quad (13.46)$$

Equation 13.46 includes a very important assumption: that the energy is equal to the co-energy. If you refer to Figure 13.7, you will realize that in general this is not true. Energy and co-energy are equal only if the  $\lambda$ - $i$  relationship is linear. Thus, the useful result of equation 13.46, stating that the magnetic force acting on the moving iron is proportional to the rate of change of stored energy with displacement, applies only for *linear magnetic structures*.

Thus, to determine the forces present in a magnetic structure, it will be necessary to compute the energy stored in the magnetic field. To simplify the analysis, it will be assumed hereafter that the structures analyzed are magnetically linear. This is, of course, only an approximation, in that it neglects a number of practical aspects of electromechanical systems (e.g., the nonlinear  $\lambda$ - $i$  curves described earlier, and the core losses typical of magnetic materials), but it permits relatively simple analysis of many useful magnetic structures. Thus, although the analysis method presented in this section is only approximate, it will serve the purpose of providing a feeling for the direction and the magnitude of the forces and currents present in electromechanical devices. On the basis of a linear approximation, it can be shown that the stored energy in a magnetic structure is given by

$$W_m = \frac{\phi \mathcal{F}}{2} \quad (13.47)$$

and since the flux and the mmf are related by the expression

$$\phi = \frac{Ni}{\mathcal{R}} = \frac{\mathcal{F}}{\mathcal{R}} \quad (13.48)$$

the stored energy can be related to the reluctance of the structure according to

$$W_m = \frac{\phi^2 \mathcal{R}(x)}{2} \quad (13.49)$$

where the reluctance has been explicitly shown to be a function of displacement, as is the case in a moving-iron transducer. Finally, then, we shall use the following approximate expression to compute the magnetic force acting on the moving iron:



$$f = -\frac{dW_m}{dx} = -\frac{\phi^2}{2} \frac{d\mathcal{R}(x)}{dx} \quad \text{Magnetic force} \quad (13.50)$$

The examples 13.9, 13.10, and 13.12 illustrate the application of this approximate technique for the computation of forces and currents (the two problems of practical engineering interest to the user of such electromechanical systems) in some common devices. The Focus on Methodology box outlines the solution techniques for these classes of problems.

## FOCUS ON METHODOLOGY

### ANALYSIS OF MOVING-IRON ELECTROMECHANICAL TRANSDUCERS



#### a. Calculation of current required to generate a given force

1. Derive an expression for the reluctance of the structure as a function of air gap displacement:  $\mathcal{R}(x)$ .
2. Express the magnetic flux in the structure as a function of the mmf (i.e., of the current  $I$ ) and of the reluctance  $\mathcal{R}(x)$ :

$$\phi = \frac{\mathcal{F}(i)}{\mathcal{R}(x)}$$

3. Compute an expression for the force, using the known expressions for the flux and for the reluctance:

$$|f| = \frac{\phi^2}{2} \frac{d\mathcal{R}(x)}{dx}$$

4. Solve the expression in step 3 for the unknown current  $i$ .

#### b. Calculation of force generated by a given transducer geometry and mmf

Repeat steps 1 through 3 above, substituting the known current to solve for the force  $f$ .

### EXAMPLE 13.9 An Electromagnet



#### Problem

An electromagnet is used to collect and support a solid piece of steel, as shown in Figure 13.33. Calculate the *starting current* required to lift the load and the *holding current* required to keep the load in place once it has been lifted and is attached to the magnet.

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Geometry, magnetic permeability, number of coil turns, mass, acceleration of gravity, initial position of steel bar.

**Find:** Current required to lift the bar; current required to hold the bar in place.

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**

$$N = 500$$

$$\mu_0 = 4\pi \times 10^{-7}$$

$$\mu_r = 10^4 \text{ (equal for electromagnet and load)}$$

$$\text{Initial distance (air gap)} = 0.5 \text{ m}$$

Magnetic path length of electromagnet =  $l_1 = 0.60$  m

Magnetic path length of movable load =  $l_2 = 0.30$  m

Gap cross-sectional area =  $3 \times 10^{-4}$  m<sup>2</sup>

$m$  = mass of load = 5 kg

$g = 9.8$  m/s<sup>2</sup>

**Assumptions:** None.

**Analysis:** To compute the current we need to derive an expression for the force in the air gap. We use the equation

$$f_{\text{mech}} = \frac{\phi^2}{2} \frac{\partial \mathcal{R}(x)}{\partial x}$$

and calculate the reluctance, flux, and force as follows:

$$\mathcal{R}(x) = \mathcal{R}_{Fe} + \mathcal{R}_{\text{gap}}$$

$$\mathcal{R}(x) = \frac{2x}{\mu_0 A} + \frac{l_1 + l_2}{\mu_0 \mu_r A}$$

$$\phi = \frac{\mathcal{F}}{\mathcal{R}(x)} = \frac{Ni}{\left(\frac{2x}{\mu_0 A} + \frac{l_1 + l_2}{\mu_0 \mu_r A}\right)}$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{R}(x)}{\partial x} = \frac{2}{\mu_0 A} \Rightarrow f_{\text{mag}} = \frac{\phi^2}{2} \frac{\partial \mathcal{R}(x)}{\partial x} = \frac{(Ni)^2}{\left(\frac{2x}{\mu_0 A} + \frac{l_1 + l_2}{\mu_0 \mu_r A}\right)^2} \frac{1}{\mu_0 A}$$

With this expression we can now calculate the current required to overcome the gravitational force when the load is 0.5 m away. The force we must overcome is  $mg = 98$  N.

$$f_{\text{mag}} = \frac{(Ni)^2}{\left(\frac{2x}{\mu_0 A} + \frac{l_1 + l_2}{\mu_0 \mu_r A}\right)^2} \frac{1}{\mu_0 A} = f_{\text{gravity}}$$

$$i^2 = f_{\text{gravity}} \frac{\frac{\mu_0 A}{2} \left(\frac{2x}{\mu_0 A} + \frac{l_1 + l_2}{\mu_0 \mu_r A}\right)^2}{N^2} = 6.5 \times 10^4 \text{ A}^2 \quad i = 255 \text{ A}$$

Finally, we calculate the holding current by letting  $x = 0$ :

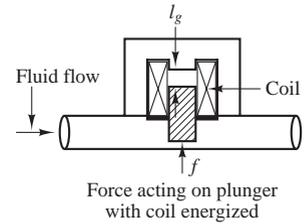
$$f_{\text{mag}} = \frac{(Ni)^2}{\left(\frac{l_1 + l_2}{\mu_0 \mu_r A}\right)^2} \frac{1}{\mu_0 A} = f_{\text{gravity}}$$

$$i^2 = f_{\text{gravity}} \frac{\frac{\mu_0 A}{2} \left(\frac{l_1 + l_2}{\mu_0 \mu_r A}\right)^2}{N^2} = 2.1056 \times 10^{-3} \text{ A}^2$$

$$i = 0.0459 \text{ A}$$

**Comments:** Note how much smaller the holding current is than the lifting current.

One of the more common practical applications of the concepts discussed in this section is the **solenoid**. Solenoids find application in a variety of electrically controlled valves. The action of a solenoid valve is such that when it is energized, the plunger moves in such a direction as to permit the flow of a fluid through a conduit, as shown schematically in Figure 13.34.



**Figure 13.34** Application of the solenoid as a valve

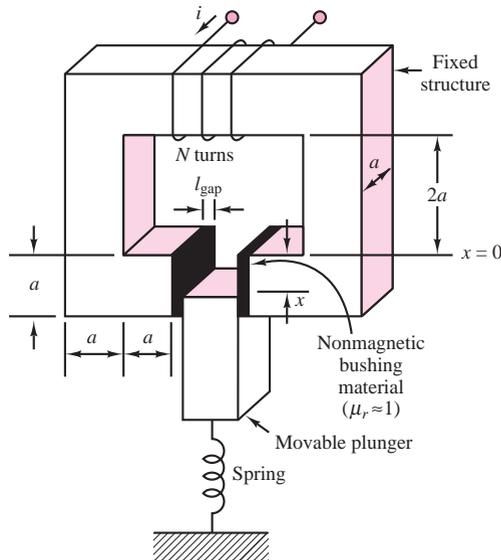
**EXAMPLE 13.10 A Solenoid**



**Problem**

Figure 13.35 depicts a simplified representation of a solenoid. The restoring force for the plunger is provided by a spring.

1. Derive a general expression for the force exerted on the plunger as a function of the plunger position  $x$ .
2. Determine the mmf required to pull the plunger to its end position ( $x = a$ ).



**Figure 13.35** A solenoid

**Solution**

**Known Quantities:** Geometry of magnetic structure; spring constant.

**Find:**  $f$ ; mmf.

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $a = 0.01$  m;  $l_{\text{gap}} = 0.001$  m;  
 $k = 10$  N/m.

**Assumptions:** Assume that the reluctance of the iron is negligible; neglect fringing. At  $x = 0$  the plunger is in the gap by an infinitesimal displacement  $\varepsilon$ .

**Analysis:**

1. *Force on the plunger.* To compute a general expression for the magnetic force exerted on the plunger, we need to derive an expression for the force in the air gap. Using equation 13.50, we see that we need to compute the reluctance of the structure and the magnetic flux to derive an expression for the force.

Since we are neglecting the iron reluctance, we can write the expression for the reluctance as follows. Note that the area of the gap is variable, depending on the position of the plunger, as shown in Figure 13.36.

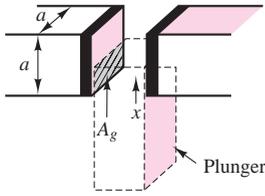


Figure 13.36

$$\mathcal{R}_{\text{gap}}(x) = 2 \times \frac{l_{\text{gap}}}{\mu_0 A_{\text{gap}}} = \frac{2l_{\text{gap}}}{\mu_0 ax}$$

The derivative of the reluctance with respect to the displacement of the plunger can then be computed to be

$$\frac{d\mathcal{R}_{\text{gap}}(x)}{dx} = \frac{-2l_{\text{gap}}}{\mu_0 ax^2}$$

Knowing the reluctance, we can calculate the magnetic flux in the structure as a function of the coil current:

$$\phi = \frac{Ni}{\mathcal{R}(x)} = \frac{Ni\mu_0 ax}{2l_{\text{gap}}}$$

The force in the air gap is given by

$$f_{\text{gap}} = \frac{\phi^2}{2} \frac{d\mathcal{R}(x)}{dx} = \frac{(Ni\mu_0 ax)^2}{8l_{\text{gap}}^2} \frac{-2l_{\text{gap}}}{\mu_0 ax^2} = -\frac{\mu_0 a (Ni)^2}{4l_{\text{gap}}}$$

Thus, the force in the gap is proportional to the square of the current and does not vary with plunger displacement.

2. *Calculation of magnetomotive force.* To determine the required magnetomotive force, we observe that the magnetic force must overcome the mechanical (restoring) force generated by the spring. Thus,  $f_{\text{gap}} = kx = ka$ . For the stated values,  $f_{\text{gap}} = (10 \text{ N/m}) \times (0.01 \text{ m}) = 0.1 \text{ N}$ , and

$$Ni = \sqrt{\frac{4l_{\text{gap}} f_{\text{gap}}}{\mu_0 a}} = \sqrt{\frac{4 \times 0.001 \times 0.1}{4\pi \times 10^{-7} \times 0.01}} = 56.4 \text{ A-turns}$$

The required mmf can be most effectively realized by keeping the current value relatively low and using a large number of turns.

**Comments:** The same mmf can be realized with an infinite number of combinations of current and number of turns; however, there are tradeoffs involved. If the current is very large (and the number of turns small), the required wire diameter will be very large. Conversely, a small current will require a small wire diameter and a large number of turns. A homework problem explores this tradeoff.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

A solenoid is used to exert force on a spring. Estimate the position of the plunger if the number of turns in the solenoid winding is 1,000 and the current going into the winding is 40 mA. Use the same values as in Example 13.10 for all other variables.

Answer:  $x = 0.5$  cm

## EXAMPLE 13.11 Transient Response of a Solenoid



### Problem

Analyze the current response of the solenoid of Example 13.10 to a step change in excitation voltage. Plot the force and current as a function of time.

### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Coil inductance and resistance; applied current.

**Find:** Current and force response as a function of time.

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:** See Example 13.10.  $N = 1,000$  turns;  $V = 12$  V;  $R_{\text{coil}} = 5 \Omega$ .

**Assumptions:** The inductance of the solenoid is approximately constant and is equal to the midrange value (plunger displacement equal to  $a/2$ ).

**Analysis:** From Example 13.10, we have an expression for the reluctance of the solenoid:

$$\mathcal{R}_{\text{gap}}(x) = \frac{2l_{\text{gap}}}{\mu_0 a x}$$

Using equation 13.30 and assuming  $x = a/2$ , we calculate the inductance of the structure:

$$L \approx \frac{N^2}{\mathcal{R}_{\text{gap}}|_{x=a/2}} = \frac{N^2 \mu_0 a^2}{4l_{\text{gap}}} = \frac{10^6 \times 4\pi \times 10^{-7} \times 10^{-4}}{4 \times 10^{-3}} = 31.4 \text{ mH}$$

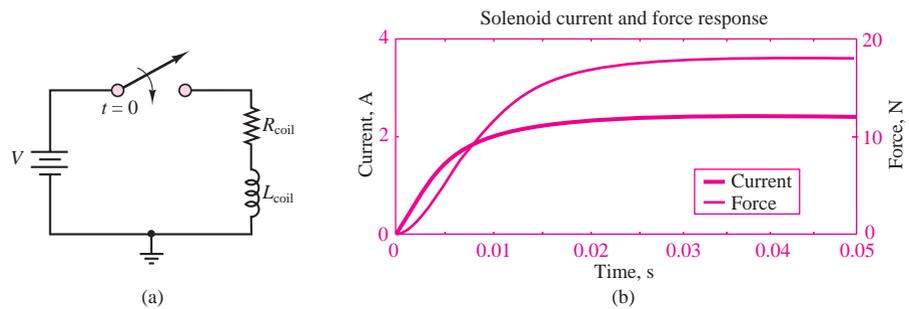
The equivalent solenoid circuit is shown in Figure 13.37(a). When the switch is closed, the solenoid current rises exponentially with time constant  $\tau = L/R = 6.3$  ms. As shown in Chapter 5, the response is of the form

$$i(t) = \frac{V}{R}(1 - e^{-t/\tau}) = \frac{V}{R}(1 - e^{-Rt/L}) = \frac{12}{5}(1 - e^{-t/6.3 \times 10^{-3}}) \quad \text{A}$$

To determine how the magnetic force responds during the turn-on transient, we return to the expression for the force derived in Example 13.10:

$$\begin{aligned} f_{\text{gap}}(t) &= \frac{\mu_0 a (Ni)^2}{4l_{\text{gap}}} = \frac{4\pi \times 10^{-7} \times 10^{-2} \times 10^6}{4 \times 10^{-3}} i^2(t) = \pi i^2(t) \\ &= \pi \left[ \frac{12}{5} (1 - e^{-t/6.3 \times 10^{-3}}) \right]^2 \end{aligned}$$

The two curves are plotted in Figure 13.37(b).



**Figure 13.37** Solenoid equivalent electric circuit and step response

**Comments:** The assumption that the inductance is approximately constant is not quite accurate. The reluctance (and therefore the inductance) of the structure will change as the plunger moves into position. However, allowing for the inductance to be a function of plunger displacement causes the problem to become nonlinear, and requires numerical solution of the differential equation (i.e., the transient response results of Chapter 5 no longer apply). This issue is explored in the homework problems.

### Practical Facts About Solenoids

Solenoids can be used to produce linear or rotary motion, in either the *push* or the *pull* mode. The most common solenoid types are listed here:

1. *Single-action linear* (push or pull). Linear stroke motion, with a restoring force (e.g., from a spring), to return the solenoid to the neutral position.
2. *Double-acting linear*. Two solenoids back to back can act in either direction. Restoring force is provided by another mechanism (e.g., a spring).
3. *Mechanical latching solenoid* (bistable). An internal latching mechanism holds the solenoid in place against the load.
4. *Keep solenoid*. Fitted with a permanent magnet so that no power is needed to hold the load in the pulled-in position. Plunger is released by applying a current pulse of opposite polarity to that required to pull in the plunger.
5. *Rotary solenoid*. Constructed to permit rotary travel. Typical range is 25 to 95°. Return action via mechanical means (e.g., a spring).
6. *Reversing rotary solenoid*. Rotary motion is from one end to the other; when the solenoid is energized again, it reverses direction.

Solenoid power ratings are dependent primarily on the current required by the coil, and on the coil resistance. The  $I^2R$  is the primary power sink, and solenoids are therefore limited by the heat they can dissipate. Solenoids can operate in continuous or pulsed mode. The power rating depends on the mode of operation, and can be increased by adding *hold-in resistors* to the circuit to reduce the *holding current* required for continuous operation. The hold resistor is switched into the circuit once the *pull-in* current required to pull the plunger has been applied and the plunger has moved into place. The holding current can be significantly smaller than the pull-in current.

A common method to reduce the solenoid holding current employs a normally closed (NC) switch in parallel with a hold-in resistor.

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In Figure 13.38, when the pushbutton (PB) closes the circuit, full voltage is applied to the solenoid coil, bypassing the resistor through the NC switch, connecting the resistor in series with the coil. The resistor will now limit the current to the value required to hold the solenoid in position. Note the diode “snubber” circuit to shunt the reverse current when the solenoid is deenergized.

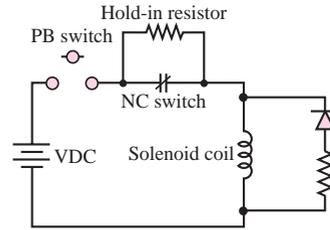


Figure 13.38

Another electromechanical device that finds common application in industrial practice is the **relay**. The relay is essentially an electromechanical switch that permits the opening and closing of electrical contacts by means of an electromagnetic structure similar to those discussed earlier in this section.



A relay such as would be used to start a high-voltage single-phase motor is shown in Figure 13.39. The magnetic structure has dimensions equal to 1 cm on all sides, and the transverse dimension is 8 cm. The relay works as follows. When the pushbutton is pressed, an electric current flows through the coil and generates a field in the magnetic structure. The resulting force draws the movable part toward the fixed part, causing an electrical contact to be made. The advantage of the relay is that a relatively low-level current can be used to control the opening and closing of a circuit that can carry large currents. In this particular example, the relay is energized by a 120-V AC contact, establishing a connection in a 240-V AC circuit. Such relay circuits are commonly employed to remotely switch large industrial loads.

Circuit symbols for relays are shown in Figure 13.40. An example of the calculations that would typically be required in determining the mechanical and electrical characteristics of a simple relay are given in Example 13.12.

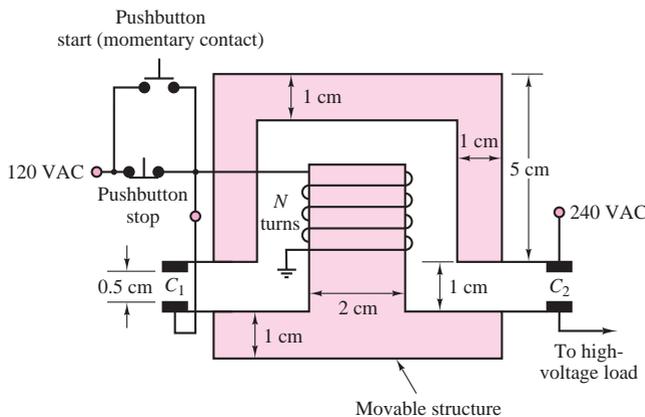
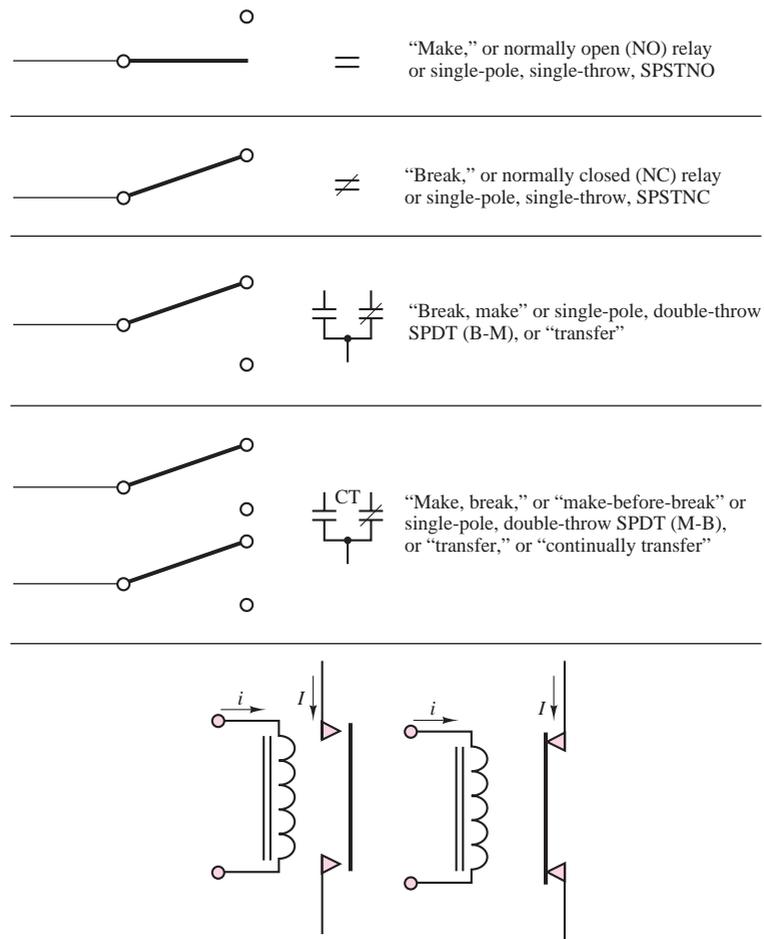


Figure 13.39 A relay



Basic operation of the electromechanical relay: The (small) coil current  $i$  causes the relay to close (or open) and enables (interrupts) the larger current  $I$ .  
 On the left: SPSTNO relay (magnetic field causes relay to close).  
 On the right: SPSTNC relay (magnetic field causes relay to open).

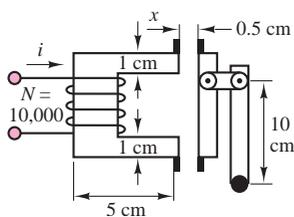
**Figure 13.40** Circuit symbols and basic operation of relays



### EXAMPLE 13.12 A Relay

#### Problem

Figure 13.41 depicts a simplified representation of a relay. Determine the current required for the relay to make contact (i.e., pull in the ferromagnetic plate) from a distance  $x$ .



**Figure 13.41**

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Relay geometry; restoring force to be overcome; distance between bar and relay contacts; number of coil turns.

**Find:**  $i$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $A_{\text{gap}} = (0.01 \text{ m})^2$ ;  $x = 0.05 \text{ m}$ ;  
 $f_{\text{restore}} = 5 \text{ N}$ ;  $N = 10,000$ .

**Assumptions:** Assume that the reluctance of the iron is negligible; neglect fringing.

**Analysis:**

$$\mathcal{R}_{\text{gap}}(x) = \frac{2x}{\mu_0 A_{\text{gap}}}$$

The derivative of the reluctance with respect to the displacement of the plunger can then be computed as

$$\frac{d\mathcal{R}_{\text{gap}}(x)}{dx} = \frac{2}{\mu_0 A_{\text{gap}}}$$

Knowing the reluctance, we can calculate the magnetic flux in the structure as a function of the coil current:

$$\phi = \frac{Ni}{\mathcal{R}(x)} = \frac{Ni\mu_0 A_{\text{gap}}}{2x}$$

and the force in the air gap is given by

$$f_{\text{gap}} = \frac{\phi^2}{2} \frac{d\mathcal{R}(x)}{dx} = \frac{(Ni\mu_0 A_{\text{gap}})^2}{8x^2} \frac{2}{\mu_0 A_{\text{gap}}} = \frac{\mu_0 A_{\text{gap}} (Ni)^2}{4x^2}$$

The magnetic force must overcome a mechanical holding force of 5 N; thus,

$$f_{\text{gap}} = \frac{\mu_0 A_{\text{gap}} (Ni)^2}{4x^2} = f_{\text{restore}} = 5 \text{ N}$$

or

$$i = \frac{1}{N} \sqrt{\frac{4x^2 f_{\text{restore}}}{\mu_0 A_{\text{gap}}}} = \frac{1}{10,000} \sqrt{\frac{4(0.05)^2 5}{4\pi \times 10^{-7} \times 0.0001}} = \pm 2 \text{ A}$$

**Comments:** The current required to close the relay is much larger than that required to hold the relay closed, because the reluctance of the structure is much smaller once the gap is reduced to zero.

## Moving-Coil Transducers

Another important class of electromagnetomechanical transducers is that of **moving-coil transducers**. This class of transducers includes a number of common devices, such as microphones, loudspeakers, and all electric motors and generators. The aim of this section is to explain the relationship between a fixed magnetic field, the emf across the moving coil, and the forces and motions of the moving element of the transducer.

The basic principle of operation of electromechanical transducers was presented in Section 13.1, where we stated that a magnetic field exerts a force on a charge moving through it. The equation describing this effect is

$$\mathbf{f} = q\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{B} \quad (13.51)$$

which is a vector equation, as explained earlier. To correctly interpret equation 13.51, we must recall the right-hand rule and apply it to the transducer, illustrated in

Figure 13.42, depicting a structure consisting of a sliding bar which makes contact with a fixed conducting frame. Although this structure does not represent a practical actuator, it will be a useful aid in explaining the operation of moving-coil transducers such as motors and generators. In Figure 13.42, and in all similar figures in this section, a small cross represents the “tail” of an arrow pointing into the page, while a dot represents an arrow pointing out of the page; this convention will be useful in visualizing three-dimensional pictures.

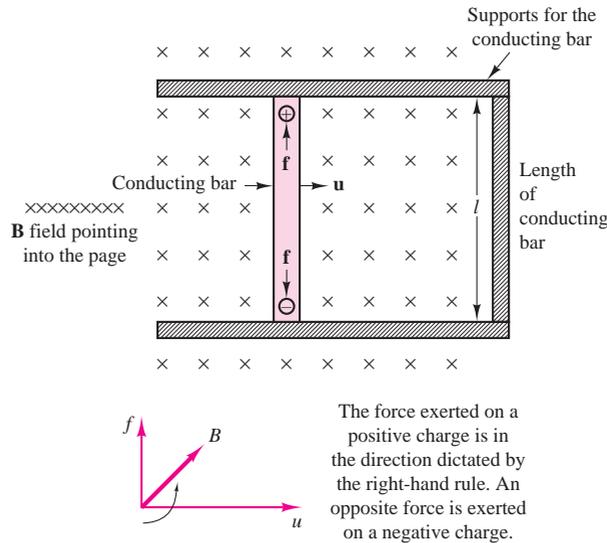


Figure 13.42 A simple electromechanical motion transducer

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CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

In the circuit in Figure 13.42, the conducting bar is moving with a velocity of 6 m/s. The flux density is 0.5 Wb/m<sup>2</sup>, and  $l = 1.0$  m. Find the magnitude of the resulting induced voltage.

Answer: 3 V

Motor Action

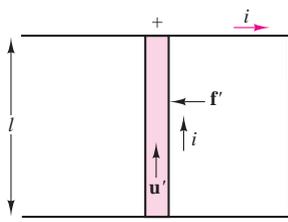


Figure 13.43

A moving-coil transducer can act as a motor when an externally supplied current flowing through the electrically conducting part of the transducer is converted to a force that can cause the moving part of the transducer to be displaced. Such a current would flow, for example, if the support of Figure 13.42 were made of conducting material, so that the conductor and the right-hand side of the support “rail” were to form a loop (in effect, a 1-turn coil). To understand the effects of this current flow in the conductor, one must consider the fact that a charge moving at a velocity  $u'$  (along the conductor and perpendicular to the velocity of the conducting bar, as shown in Figure 13.43) corresponds to a current  $i = dq/dt$  along the length  $l$  of the conductor. This fact can be explained by considering the current  $i$  along a differential element

$dl$  and writing

$$i dl = \frac{dq}{dt} \cdot u' dt \quad (13.52)$$

since the differential element  $dl$  would be traversed by the current in time  $dt$  at a velocity  $u'$ . Thus we can write

$$i dl = dq u' \quad (13.53)$$

or

$$il = qu' \quad (13.54)$$

for the geometry of Figure 13.43. From Section 13.1, the force developed by a charge moving in a magnetic field is, in general, given by

$$\mathbf{f} = q\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{B} \quad (13.55)$$

For the term  $qu'$  we can substitute  $i\mathbf{l}$ , to obtain

$$\mathbf{f}' = i\mathbf{l} \times \mathbf{B} \quad (13.56)$$

Using the right-hand rule, we determine that the force  $\mathbf{f}'$  generated by the current  $i$  is in the direction that would push the conducting bar to the left. The magnitude of this force is  $f' = Bli$  if the magnetic field and the direction of the current are perpendicular. If they are not, then we must consider the angle  $\gamma$  formed by  $\mathbf{B}$  and  $\mathbf{l}$ ; in the more general case,

$$f' = Bli \sin \gamma = Bli \text{ if } \gamma = 90^\circ \quad \text{Bli law} \quad (13.57)$$



The phenomenon we have just described is sometimes referred to as the **Bli law**.

### Generator Action

The other mode of operation of a moving-coil transducer occurs when an external force causes the coil (i.e., the moving bar, in Figure 13.42) to be displaced. This external force is converted to an emf across the coil, as will be explained in the following paragraphs.

Since positive and negative charges are forced in opposite directions in the transducer of Figure 13.42, a potential difference will appear across the conducting bar; this potential difference is the electromotive force, or emf. The emf must be equal to the force exerted by the magnetic field. In short, the electric force per unit charge (or electric field)  $e/l$  must equal the magnetic force per unit charge  $f/q = Bu$ . Thus, the relationship

$$e = Blu \quad \text{Blu law} \quad (13.58)$$



holds whenever  $\mathbf{B}$ ,  $\mathbf{l}$ , and  $\mathbf{u}$  are mutually perpendicular, as in Figure 13.44. If equation 13.58 is analyzed in greater depth, it can be seen that the product  $lu$  (length times velocity) is the area crossed per unit time by the conductor. If one visualizes the conductor as “cutting” the flux lines into the base in Figure 13.43, it can be concluded that the electromotive force is equal to the *rate at which the conductor “cuts” the*

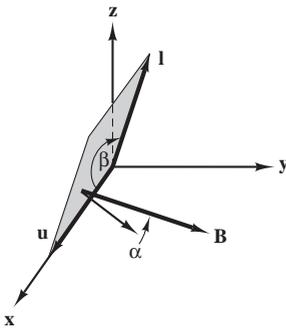


Figure 13.44

*magnetic lines of flux*. It will be useful for you to carefully absorb this notion of conductors cutting lines of flux, since this will greatly simplify the understanding of the material in this section and in Chapter 14.

In general,  $\mathbf{B}$ ,  $\mathbf{l}$ , and  $\mathbf{u}$  are not necessarily perpendicular. In this case one needs to consider the angles formed by the magnetic field with the normal to the plane containing  $\mathbf{l}$  and  $\mathbf{u}$ , and the angle between  $\mathbf{l}$  and  $\mathbf{u}$ . The former is angle  $\alpha$  of Figure 13.44; the latter is angle  $\beta$  in the same figure. It should be apparent that the optimum values of  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are  $0^\circ$  and  $90^\circ$ , respectively. Thus, most practical devices are constructed with these values of  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ . Unless otherwise noted, it will be tacitly assumed that this is the case. The ***Bli* law** just illustrated explains how a moving conductor in a magnetic field can generate an electromotive force.

To summarize the electromechanical energy conversion that takes place in the simple device of Figure 13.42, we must note now that the presence of a current in the loop formed by the conductor and the rail requires that the conductor move to the right at a velocity  $u$  (*Blu* law), thus cutting the lines of flux and generating the emf that gives rise to current  $i$ . On the other hand, the same current causes a force  $f'$  to be exerted on the conductor (*Bli* law) in the direction opposite to the movement of the conductor. Thus, it is necessary that an *externally applied force*  $f_{\text{ext}}$  exist to cause the conductor to move to the right with a velocity  $u$ . The external force must overcome the force  $f'$ . This is the basis of electromechanical energy conversion.

An additional observation we must make at this point is that the current  $i$  flowing around a closed loop generates a magnetic field, as explained in Section 13.1. Since this additional field is generated by a 1-turn coil in our illustration, it is reasonable to assume that it is negligible with respect to the field already present (perhaps established by a permanent magnet). Finally, we must consider that this coil links a certain amount of flux, which changes as the conductor moves from left to right. The area crossed by the moving conductor in time  $dt$  is

$$dA = lu \, dt \quad (13.59)$$

so that if the flux density  $B$  is uniform, the rate of change of the flux linked by the 1-turn coil is

$$\frac{d\phi}{dt} = B \frac{dA}{dt} = Blu \quad (13.60)$$

In other words, the *rate of change* of the flux linked by the conducting loop is equal to the emf generated in the conductor. You should realize that this statement simply confirms Faraday's law.

It was briefly mentioned that the *Blu* and *Bli* laws indicate that, thanks to the coupling action of the magnetic field, a conversion of mechanical to electrical energy—or the converse—is possible. The simple structures of Figures 13.42 and 13.43 can, again, serve as an illustration of this energy conversion process, although we have not yet indicated how these idealized structures can be converted to a practical device. In this section we begin to introduce some physical considerations. Before we proceed any further, we should try to compute the power—electric and mechanical—that is generated (or is required) by our ideal transducer. The electric power is given by

$$P_E = ei = Blui \quad \text{W} \quad (13.61)$$

while the mechanical power required, say, to move the conductor from left to right is given by the product of force and velocity:

$$P_M - f_{\text{ext}}u = Bliu \quad \text{W} \quad (13.62)$$

The principle of conservation of energy thus states that in this ideal (lossless) transducer we can convert a given amount of electric energy to mechanical energy, or vice versa. Once again we can utilize the same structure of Figure 13.42 to illustrate this reversible action. If the closed path containing the moving conductor is now formed from a closed circuit containing a resistance  $R$  and a battery  $V_B$ , as shown in Figure 13.45, the externally applied force  $f_{\text{ext}}$  generates a positive current  $i$  into the battery provided that the emf is greater than  $V_B$ . When  $e = Blu > V_B$ , the ideal transducer acts as a *generator*. For any given set of values of  $B$ ,  $l$ ,  $R$ , and  $V_B$ , there will exist a velocity  $u$  for which the current  $i$  is positive. If the velocity is lower than this value—that is, if  $e = Blu < V_B$ —then the current  $i$  is negative, and the conductor is forced to move to the right. In this case the battery acts as a source of energy and the transducer acts as a *motor* (i.e., electric energy drives the mechanical motion).

In practical transducers, we must be concerned with the inertia, friction, and elastic forces that are invariably present on the mechanical side of the transducer. Similarly, on the electrical side we must account for the inductance of the circuit, its resistance, and possibly some capacitance. Consider the structure of Figure 13.46. In the figure, the conducting bar has been placed on a surface with a coefficient of sliding friction  $b$ ; it has a mass  $m$  and is attached to a fixed structure by means of a spring with spring constant  $k$ . The equivalent circuit representing the coil inductance and resistance is also shown.

If we recognize that  $u = dx/dt$  in the figure, we can write the equation of motion for the conductor as

$$m \frac{du}{dt} + bu + \frac{1}{k} \int u dt = f = Bli \quad (13.63)$$

where the  $Bli$  term represents the driving input that causes the mass to move. The driving input in this case is provided by the electric energy source  $v_S$ ; thus the transducer acts as a motor, and  $f$  is the electromechanical force acting on the mass of the conductor. On the electrical side, the circuit equation is

$$v_S - L \frac{di}{dt} - Ri = e = Blu \quad (13.64)$$

Equations 13.63 and 13.64 could then be solved by knowing the excitation voltage  $v_S$  and the physical parameters of the mechanical and electric circuits. For example, if the excitation voltage were sinusoidal, with

$$v_S(t) = V_S \cos \omega t$$

and the field density were constant

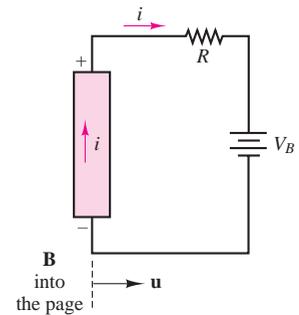
$$B = B_0$$

then we could postulate sinusoidal solutions for the transducer velocity  $u$  and current  $i$ :

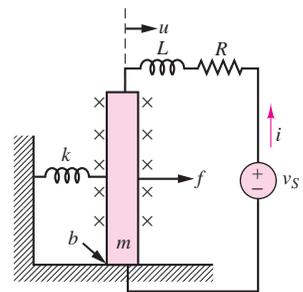
$$u = U \cos(\omega t + \theta_u) \quad i = I \cos(\omega t + \theta_i) \quad (13.65)$$

and use phasor notation to solve for the unknowns  $(U, I, \theta_u, \theta_i)$ .

The results obtained in the present section apply directly to transducers that are based on translational (linear) motion. These basic principles of electromechanical energy conversion and the analysis methods developed in the section will be applied to practical transducers in a few examples. A Focus on Methodology box outlines the analysis procedure for moving-coil transducers.



**Figure 13.45** Motor and generator action in an ideal transducer



**Figure 13.46** A more realistic representation of the transducer of Figure 13.45

The methods introduced in this section will later be applied in Chapter 14 to analyze rotating transducers, that is, electric motors and generators.

## FOCUS ON METHODOLOGY



### ANALYSIS OF MOVING-COIL ELECTROMECHANICAL TRANSDUCERS

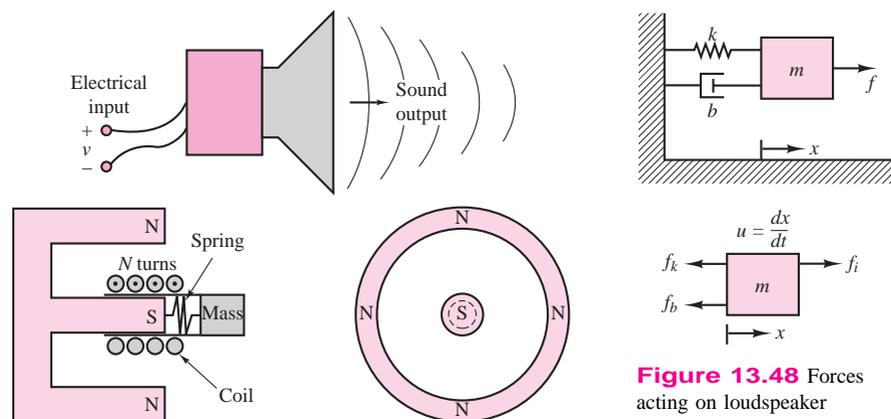
1. Apply KVL to write the differential equation for the electrical subsystem, including the back emf ( $e = Blu$ ) term.
2. Apply Newton's second law to write the differential equation for the mechanical subsystem, including the magnetic force  $f = Bli$  term.
3. Use a Laplace transform on the two coupled differential equations to formulate a system of linear algebraic equations, and solve for the desired mechanical and electrical variables.



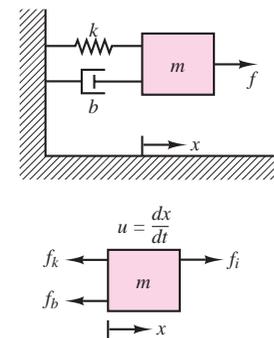
### EXAMPLE 13.13 A Loudspeaker

#### Problem

A loudspeaker, shown in Figure 13.47, uses a permanent magnet and a moving coil to produce the vibrational motion that generates the pressure waves we perceive as sound. Vibration of the loudspeaker is caused by changes in the input current to a coil; the coil is, in turn, coupled to a magnetic structure that can produce time-varying forces on the speaker diaphragm. A simplified model for the mechanics of the speaker is also shown in Figure 13.47. The force exerted on the coil is also exerted on the mass of the speaker diaphragm, as shown in Figure 13.48, which depicts a free-body diagram of the forces acting on the loudspeaker diaphragm.



**Figure 13.47** Loudspeaker



**Figure 13.48** Forces acting on loudspeaker diaphragm

The force exerted on the mass  $f_i$  is the magnetic force due to current flow in the coil. The electric circuit that describes the coil is shown in Figure 13.49, where  $L$  represents the inductance of the coil,  $R$  represents the resistance of the windings, and  $e$  is the emf induced by the coil moving through the magnetic field.

Determine the frequency response  $U(j\omega)/V(j\omega)$  of the speaker.

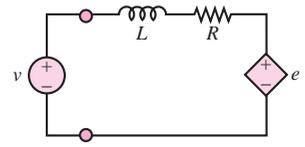


Figure 13.49 Model of transducer electrical side

### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Circuit and mechanical parameters; magnetic flux density; number of coil turns; coil radius.

**Find:** Frequency response of loudspeaker  $U(j\omega)/V(j\omega)$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:** Coil radius = 0.05 m;  $L = 10$  mH;  $R = 8 \Omega$ ;  $m = 0.01$  kg;  $b = 22.75$  N-s<sup>2</sup>/m;  $k = 5 \times 10^4$  N/m;  $N = 47$ ;  $B = 1$  T.

**Analysis:** To determine the frequency response of the loudspeaker, we write the differential equations that describe the electrical and mechanical subsystems. We apply KVL to the electric circuit, using the circuit model of Figure 13.49, in which we have represented the  $Blu$  term (motional voltage) in the form of a *back electromotive force*  $e$ :

$$v - L \frac{di}{dt} - Ri - e = 0$$

or

$$L \frac{di}{dt} + Ri + Blu = v$$

Next, we apply Newton's second law to the mechanical system, consisting of a lumped mass representing the mass of the moving diaphragm  $m$ ; an elastic (spring) term, which represents the elasticity of the diaphragm  $k$ ; and a damping coefficient  $b$ , representing the frictional losses and aerodynamic damping affecting the moving diaphragm.

$$m \frac{du}{dt} = f_i - f_d - f_k = f_i - bu - kx$$

where  $f_i = Bli$  and therefore

$$-Bli + m \frac{du}{dt} + bu + k \int_{-\infty}^t u(t') dt' = 0$$

Note that the two equations are *coupled*; that is, a mechanical variable appears in the electrical equation (velocity  $u$  in the  $Blu$  term), and an electrical variable appears in the mechanical equation (current  $i$  in the  $Bli$  term).

To derive the frequency response, we use the Laplace transform on the two equations to obtain

$$\begin{aligned} (sL + R)I(s) + BIU(s) &= V(s) \\ -BII(s) + \left(sm + b + \frac{k}{s}\right)U(s) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

We can write the above equations in matrix form and resort to Cramer's rule to solve for  $U(s)$  as a function of  $V(s)$ :

$$\begin{bmatrix} sL + R & BI \\ -BI & sm + b + \frac{k}{s} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} I(s) \\ U(s) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} V(s) \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

with solution

$$U(s) = \frac{\det \begin{bmatrix} sL + R & V(s) \\ -Bl & 0 \end{bmatrix}}{\det \begin{bmatrix} sL + R & Bl \\ -Bl & sm + b + \frac{k}{s} \end{bmatrix}}$$

or

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{U(s)}{V(s)} &= \frac{Bl}{(sL + R)(sm + b + k/s) + (Bl)^2} \\ &= \frac{Bl s}{(Lm)s^3 + (Rm + Lb)s^2 + [Rb + kL + (Bl)^2]s + kR} \end{aligned}$$

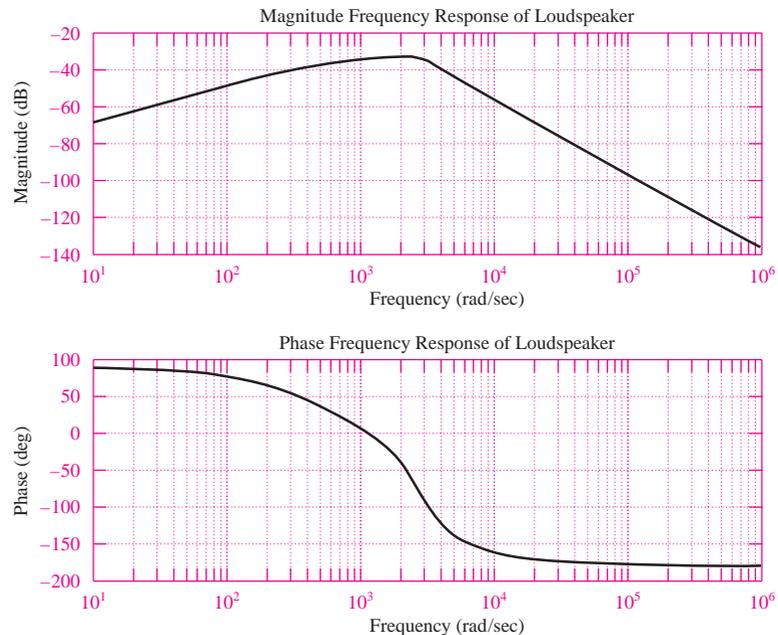
To determine the frequency response of the loudspeaker, we let  $s \rightarrow j\omega$  in the above expression:

$$\frac{U(j\omega)}{V(j\omega)} = \frac{jBl\omega}{kR - (Rm + Lb)\omega^2 + j[(Rb + kL + (Bl)^2)\omega - (Lm)\omega^3]}$$

where  $l = 2\pi Nr$ , and substitute the appropriate numerical parameters:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{U(j\omega)}{V(j\omega)} &= \frac{j14.8\omega}{4 \times 10^5 - (0.08 + 0.2275)\omega^2 + j[(182 + 500 + 218)\omega - (10^{-4})\omega^3]} \\ &= \frac{j14.8\omega}{4 \times 10^5 - 0.3075\omega^2 + j[(900)\omega - (10^{-4})\omega^3]} \end{aligned}$$

The resulting frequency response is plotted in Figure 13.50.



**Figure 13.50** Frequency response of loudspeaker

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

In Example 13.13, we examined the frequency response of a loudspeaker. However, over time, permanent magnets may become demagnetized. Find the frequency response of the same loudspeaker if the permanent magnet has lost its strength to a point where  $B = 0.95$  T.

$$\text{Answer: } U(f) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + (f/31.34)^2}} = \frac{0.056}{\sqrt{1 + (f/15.95)^2}}$$

## Conclusion

This chapter introduces electromechanical systems. Electromechanical devices include a variety of sensors and transducers that find common engineering application in many fields. All electromechanical devices use the coupling between mechanical and electrical systems provided by a magnetic field. This magnetic coupling makes it possible to convert energy from electric to mechanical form, and back. Devices that convert electric to mechanical energy include all forms of electromagnetomechanical actuators, such as electromagnets, solenoids, relays, electrodynamic shakers, linear motors, and loudspeakers. Conversion from mechanical to electric energy results in generators, and various sensors that can detect mechanical displacement, velocity, or acceleration. Upon completing this chapter, you should have mastered the following learning objectives:

1. *Review the basic principles of electricity and magnetism.* The basic laws that govern electromagnetomechanical energy conversion are Faraday's law, stating that a changing magnetic field can induce a voltage, and Ampère's law, stating that a current flowing through a conductor generates a magnetic field.
2. *Use the concepts of reluctance and magnetic circuit equivalents to compute magnetic flux and currents in simple magnetic structures.* The two fundamental variables in the analysis of magnetic structures are the magnetomotive force and the magnetic flux; if some simplifying approximations are made, these quantities are linearly related through the reluctance parameter, in much the same way as voltage and current are related through resistance according to Ohm's law. This simplified analysis permits approximate calculation of forces and currents in electromagnetomechanical structures.
3. *Understand the properties of magnetic materials and their effects on magnetic circuit models.* Magnetic materials are characterized by a number of nonideal properties, which must be considered in a detailed analysis of any electromechanical transducer. The most important phenomena are saturation, eddy currents, and hysteresis.
4. *Use magnetic circuit models to analyze transformers.* One of the most common magnetic structures in use in electric power systems is the transformer. The methods developed in the earlier sections provide all the tools needed to perform an analysis of these important devices.
5. *Model and analyze force generation in electromagnetomechanical systems. Analyze moving-iron transducers (electromagnets, solenoids, relays) and moving-coil transducers (electrodynamic shakers, loudspeakers, and seismic transducers).* Electromagnetomechanical transducers can be broadly divided into two categories: moving-iron transducers, which include all electromagnets, solenoids, and relays; and moving-coil transducers, which include loudspeakers, electrodynamic shakers, and all electric motors. Section 13.5 develops analysis and design methods for these devices.

## HOMEWORK PROBLEMS

### Section 13.1: Electricity and Magnetism

- 13.1** For the electromagnet of Figure P13.1:
- Find the flux density in the core.
  - Sketch the magnetic flux lines and indicate their direction.
  - Indicate the north and south poles of the magnet.

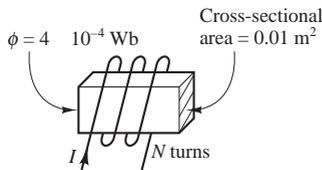


Figure P13.1

- 13.2** A single loop of wire carrying current  $I_2$  is placed near the end of a solenoid having  $N$  turns and carrying current  $I_1$ , as shown in Figure P13.2. The solenoid is fastened to a horizontal surface, but the single coil is free to move. With the currents directed as shown, is there a resultant force on the single coil? If so, in what direction? Why?

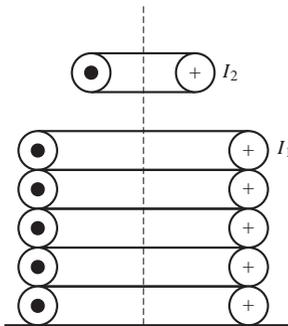


Figure P13.2

- 13.3** An automotive battery is being charged with a current of 20 A.
- Estimate the magnetic flux density near the top of the battery. You will need to assume some dimension for the battery so as to calculate the radius of the circular path around the battery used to calculate the magnetic field intensity. Assume that there is no iron or other ferromagnetic materials in the vicinity.

- Sketch a picture of the battery and wires, and indicate the direction of the magnetic flux.

- 13.4** A circular coil has a diameter of 1 cm and a flux of  $10^{-7}$  Wb passing through it. Find the average flux density in the coil.

- 13.5** An iron-core inductor has the following characteristic:

$$i = \frac{\lambda}{0.5 + \lambda}$$

- Determine the energy, co-energy, and incremental inductance for  $\lambda = 1$  V-s.

- Given that the coil resistance is  $1 \Omega$  and that

$$i(t) = 0.625 + 0.01 \sin 400t \quad \text{A}$$

determine the voltage across the terminals on the inductor.

- 13.6** Repeat Problem 13.5 if

$$i = \frac{\lambda^2}{0.5 + \lambda^2}$$

- 13.7** An iron-core inductor has the characteristic shown in Figure P13.7:

- Determine the energy and the incremental inductance for  $i = 1.0$  A.
- Given that the coil resistance is  $2 \Omega$  and that  $i(t) = 0.5 \sin 2\pi t$ , determine the voltage across the terminals of the inductor.

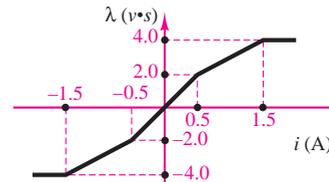


Figure P13.7

- 13.8** Determine the reluctance of the structure of Figure 13.11 in the text if the cross-sectional area is  $A = 0.1 \text{ m}^2$  and  $\mu_r = 2,000$ . Assume that each leg is 0.1 m in length and that the mean magnetic path runs through the exact center of the structure.

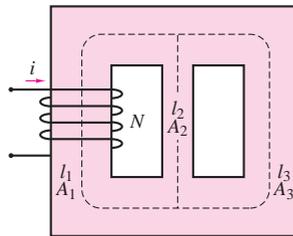
**Section 13.2: Magnetic Circuits**

**13.9**

- a. Find the reluctance of a magnetic circuit if a magnetic flux  $\phi = 4.2 \times 10^{-4}$  Wb is established by an impressed mmf of 400 A-turns.
- b. Find the magnetizing force  $H$  in SI units if the magnetic circuit is 6 in long.

**13.10** For the circuit shown in Figure P13.10:

- a. Determine the reluctance values and show the magnetic circuit, assuming that  $\mu = 3,000 \mu_0$ .
- b. Determine the inductance of the device.
- c. The inductance of the device can be modified by cutting an air gap in the magnetic structure. If a gap of 0.1 mm is cut in the arm of length  $l_3$ , what is the new value of inductance?
- d. As the gap is increased in size (length), what is the limiting value of inductance? Neglect leakage flux and fringing effects.



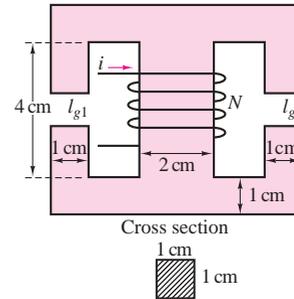
$N = 100$  turns     $A_2 = 25 \text{ cm}^2$   
 $l_1 = 30 \text{ cm}$      $l_3 = 30 \text{ cm}$   
 $A_1 = 100 \text{ cm}^2$      $A_3 = 100 \text{ cm}^2$   
 $l_2 = 10 \text{ cm}$

**Figure P13.10**

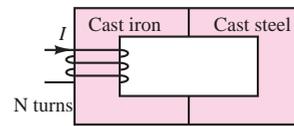
- 13.11** The magnetic circuit shown in Figure P13.11 has two parallel paths. Find the flux and flux density in each leg of the magnetic circuit. Neglect fringing at the air gaps and any leakage fields.  $N = 1,000$  turns,  $i = 0.2 \text{ A}$ ,  $l_{g1} = 0.02 \text{ cm}$ , and  $l_{g2} = 0.04 \text{ cm}$ . Assume the reluctance of the magnetic core to be negligible.

- 13.12** Find the current necessary to establish a flux of  $\phi = 3 \times 10^{-4}$  Wb in the series magnetic circuit of Figure P13.12. Here  $l_{\text{iron}} = l_{\text{steel}} = 0.3 \text{ m}$ , area (throughout)  $= 5 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^2$ , and  $N = 100$  turns.

Assume  $\mu_r = 5,195$  for cast iron and  $\mu_r = 1,000$  for cast steel.

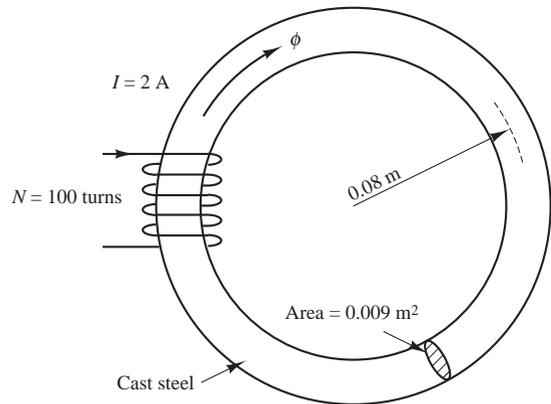


**Figure P13.11**



**Figure P13.12**

- 13.13** Find the magnetic flux  $\phi$  established in the series magnetic circuit of Figure P13.13.



**Figure P13.13**

**13.14**

- a. Find the current  $I$  required to establish a flux  $\phi = 2.4 \times 10^{-4}$  Wb in the magnetic circuit of Figure P13.14. Here area (throughout)  $= 2 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^2$ ,  $l_{ab} = l_{ef} = 0.05 \text{ m}$ ,  $l_{af} = l_{be} = 0.02 \text{ m}$ ,  $l_{bc} = l_{dc}$ , and the material is sheet steel.

- b. Compare the mmf drop across the air gap to that across the rest of the magnetic circuit. Discuss your results, using the value of  $\mu$  for each material.

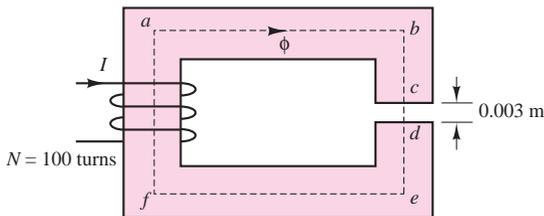


Figure P13.14

- 13.15** For the series-parallel magnetic circuit of Figure P13.15, find the value of  $I$  required to establish a flux in the gap of  $\phi = 2 \times 10^{-4}$  Wb. Here,  $l_{ab} = l_{bg} = l_{gh} = l_{ha} = 0.2$  m,  $l_{bc} = l_{fg} = 0.1$  m,  $l_{cd} = l_{ef} = 0.099$  m, and the material is sheet steel.

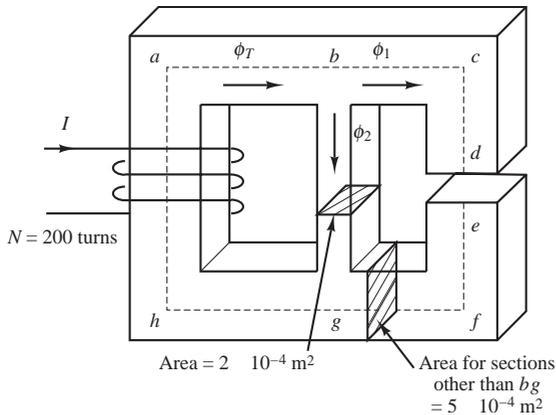


Figure P13.15

- 13.16** Refer to the actuator of Figure P13.16. The entire device is made of sheet steel. The coil has 2,000 turns. The armature is stationary so that the length of the air gaps,  $g = 10$  mm, is fixed. A direct current passing through the coil produces a flux density of 1.2 T in the gaps. Assume  $\mu_r = 4,000$  for sheet steel. Determine
- The coil current.
  - The energy stored in the air gaps.
  - The energy stored in the steel.

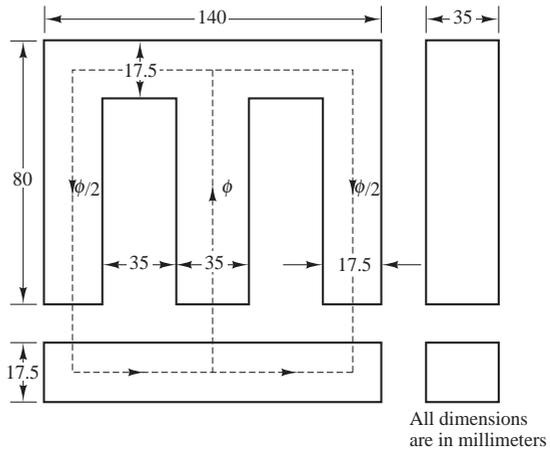


Figure P13.16

- 13.17** A core is shown in Figure P13.17, with  $\mu_r = 2,000$  and  $N = 100$ . Find
- The current needed to produce a flux density of  $0.4$  Wb/m<sup>2</sup> in the center leg.
  - The current needed to produce a flux density of  $0.8$  Wb/m<sup>2</sup> in the center leg.

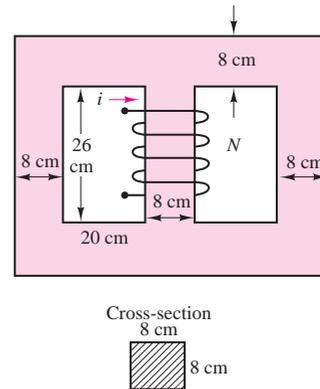


Figure P13.17

**Section 13.4: Transformers**

- 13.18** For the transformer shown in Figure P13.18,  $N = 1,000$  turns,  $l_1 = 16$  cm,  $A_1 = 4$  cm<sup>2</sup>,  $l_2 = 22$  cm,  $A_2 = 4$  cm<sup>2</sup>,  $l_3 = 5$  cm, and  $A_3 = 2$  cm<sup>2</sup>. The relative permeability of the material is  $\mu_r = 1,500$ .
- Construct the equivalent magnetic circuit, and find the reluctance associated with each part of the circuit.
  - Determine the self-inductance and mutual inductance for the pair of coils (that is,  $L_{11}$ ,  $L_{22}$ , and  $M = L_{12} = L_{21}$ ).

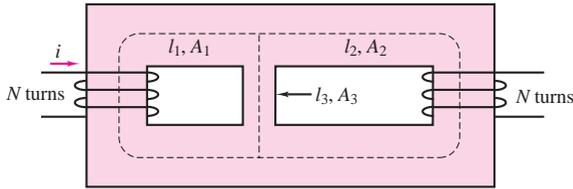


Figure P13.18

- 13.19** A transformer is delivering power to a  $300\text{-}\Omega$  resistive load. To achieve the desired power transfer, the turns ratio is chosen so that the resistive load referred to the primary is  $7,500\ \Omega$ . The parameter values, referred to the secondary winding, are:

$$r_1 = 20\ \Omega \quad L_1 = 1.0\ \text{mH} \quad L_m = 25\ \text{mH}$$

$$r_2 = 20\ \Omega \quad L_2 = 1.0\ \text{mH}$$

Core losses are negligible.

- Determine the turns ratio.
  - Determine the input voltage, current, and power and the efficiency when this transformer is delivering  $12\ \text{W}$  to the  $300\text{-}\Omega$  load at a frequency  $f = 10,000/2\pi\ \text{Hz}$ .
- 13.20** A  $220/20\text{-V}$  transformer has 50 turns on its low-voltage side. Calculate
- The number of turns on its high side.
  - The turns ratio  $\alpha$  when it is used as a step-down transformer.
  - The turns ratio  $\alpha$  when it is used as a step-up transformer.
- 13.21** The high-voltage side of a transformer has 750 turns, and the low-voltage side has 50 turns. When the high side is connected to a rated voltage of  $120\ \text{V}$ ,  $60\ \text{Hz}$ , a rated load of  $40\ \text{A}$  is connected to the low side. Calculate
- The turns ratio.
  - The secondary voltage (assuming no internal transformer impedance voltage drops).
  - The resistance of the load.
- 13.22** A transformer is to be used to match an  $8\text{-}\Omega$  loudspeaker to a  $500\text{-}\Omega$  audio line. What is the turns ratio of the transformer, and what are the voltages at the primary and secondary terminals when  $10\ \text{W}$  of audio power is delivered to the speaker? Assume that the speaker is a resistive load and that the transformer is ideal.
- 13.23** The high-voltage side of a step-down transformer has 800 turns, and the low-voltage side has 100 turns.

A voltage of  $240\ \text{V AC}$  is applied to the high side, and the load impedance is  $3\ \Omega$  (low side). Find

- The secondary voltage and current.
  - The primary current.
  - The primary input impedance from the ratio of primary voltage to current.
  - The primary input impedance.
- 13.24** Calculate the transformer ratio of the transformer in Problem 13.23 when it is used as a step-up transformer.
- 13.25** A  $2,300/240\text{-V}$ ,  $60\text{-Hz}$ ,  $4.6\text{-kVA}$  transformer is designed to have an induced emf of  $2.5\ \text{V/turn}$ . Assuming an ideal transformer, find
- The numbers of high-side turns  $N_h$  and low-side turns  $N_l$ .
  - The rated current of the high-voltage side  $I_h$ .
  - The transformer ratio when the device is used as a step-up transformer.

### Section 13.5: Electromechanical Energy Conversion

- 13.26** Calculate the current required to lift the load for the electromagnet of Example 13.9. Calculate the holding current required to keep the load in place once it has been lifted and is attached to the magnet. Assume:  $N = 700$ ;  $\mu_0 = 4\pi \times 10^{-7}$ ;  $\mu_r = 10^4$  (equal for electromagnet and load); initial distance (air gap) =  $0.5\ \text{m}$ ; magnetic path length of electromagnet =  $l_1 = 0.80\ \text{m}$ ; magnetic path length of movable load =  $l_2 = 0.40\ \text{m}$ ; gap cross-sectional area =  $5 \times 10^{-4}\ \text{m}^2$ ;  $m =$  mass of load =  $10\ \text{kg}$ ;  $g = 9.8\ \text{m/s}^2$ .
- 13.27** For the electromagnet of Example 13.9:
- Calculate the current required to keep the bar in place. (*Hint:* The air gap becomes zero, and the iron reluctance cannot be neglected.) Assume  $\mu_r = 1,000$ ,  $L = 1\ \text{m}$ .
  - If the bar is initially  $0.1\ \text{m}$  away from the electromagnet, what initial current would be required to lift the magnet?
- 13.28** The electromagnet of Figure P13.28 has reluctance given by  $\mathcal{R}(x) = 7 \times 10^8(0.002 + x)\ \text{H}^{-1}$ , where  $x$  is the length of the variable gap in meters. The coil has 980 turns and  $30\text{-}\Omega$  resistance. For an applied voltage of  $120\ \text{V DC}$ , find

- a. The energy stored in the magnetic field for  $x = 0.005$  m.  
 b. The magnetic force for  $x = 0.005$  m.

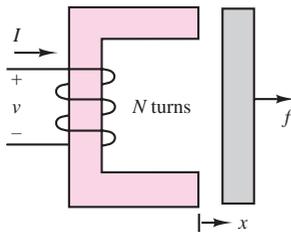


Figure P13.28

**13.29** With reference to Example 13.10, determine the best combination of current magnitude and wire diameter to reduce the volume of the solenoid coil to a minimum. Will this minimum volume result in the lowest possible resistance? How does the power dissipation of the coil change with the wire gauge and current value? To solve this problem, you will need to find a table of wire gauge diameter, resistance, and current ratings. Table 2.2 in this book contains some information. The solution can only be found numerically.

**13.30** Derive the same result obtained in Example 13.10, using equation 13.46 and the definition of inductance given in equation 13.30. You will first compute the inductance of the magnetic circuit as a function of the reluctance, then compute the stored magnetic energy, and finally write the expression for the magnetic force given in equation 13.46.

**13.31** Derive the same result obtained in Example 13.11, using equation 13.46 and the definition of inductance given in equation 13.30. You will first compute the inductance of the magnetic circuit as a function of the reluctance, then compute the stored magnetic energy, and finally write the expression for the magnetic force given in equation 13.46.

**13.32** With reference to Example 13.11, generate a simulation program (e.g., using Simulink™) that accounts for the fact that the solenoid inductance is not constant, but is a function of plunger position. Compare graphically the current and force step responses of the constant- $L$  simplified solenoid model to the step responses obtained in Example 13.11. Assume  $\mu_r = 1,000$ .

**13.33** With reference to Example 13.12, calculate the required holding current to keep the relay closed. The mass of the moving element is  $m = 0.05$  kg. Neglect damping. The initial position is  $x = \epsilon = 0.001$  m.

**13.34** The relay circuit shown in Figure P13.34 has the following parameters:  $A_{\text{gap}} = 0.001$  m<sup>2</sup>;  $N = 500$  turns;  $L = 0.02$  m;  $\mu = \mu_0 = 4\pi \times 10^{-7}$  (neglect the iron reluctance);  $k = 1,000$  N/m;  $R = 18 \Omega$ . What is the minimum DC supply voltage  $v$  for which the relay will make contact when the electrical switch is closed?

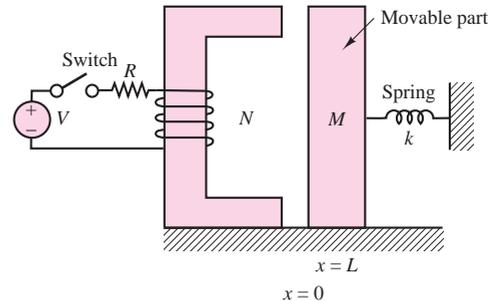


Figure P13.34

**13.35** The magnetic circuit shown in Figure P13.35 is a very simplified representation of devices used as *surface roughness sensors*. The stylus is in contact with the surface and causes the plunger to move along with the surface. Assume that the flux  $\phi$  in the gap is given by the expression  $\phi = \beta/\mathcal{R}(x)$ , where  $\beta$  is a known constant and  $\mathcal{R}(x)$  is the reluctance of the gap. The emf  $e$  is measured to determine the surface profile. Derive an expression for the displacement  $x$  as a function of the various parameters of the magnetic circuit and of the measured emf. (Assume a frictionless contact between the moving plunger and the magnetic structure and that the plunger is restrained to vertical motion only. The cross-sectional area of the plunger is  $A$ .)

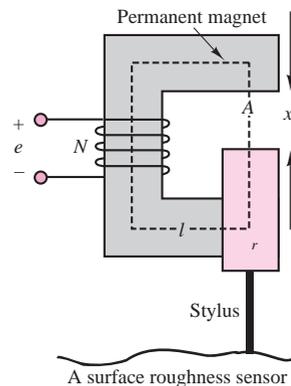


Figure P13.35 A surface roughness sensor

**13.36** A cylindrical solenoid is shown in Figure P13.36. The plunger may move freely along its axis. The air

gap between the shell and the plunger is uniform and equal to 1 mm, and the diameter  $d$  is 25 mm. If the exciting coil carries a current of 7.5 A, find the force acting on the plunger when  $x = 2$  mm. Assume  $N = 200$  turns, and neglect the reluctance of the steel shell. Assume  $l_g$  is negligible.

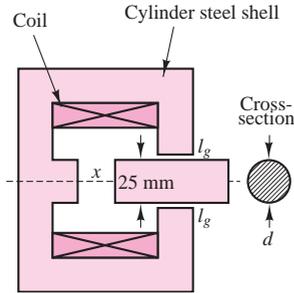


Figure P13.36

- 13.37** The double-excited electromechanical system shown in Figure P13.37 moves horizontally. Assume that resistance, magnetic leakage, and fringing are negligible; the permeability of the core is very large; and the cross section of the structure is  $w \times w$ . Find
- The reluctance of the magnetic circuit.
  - The magnetic energy stored in the air gap.
  - The force on the movable part as a function of its position.

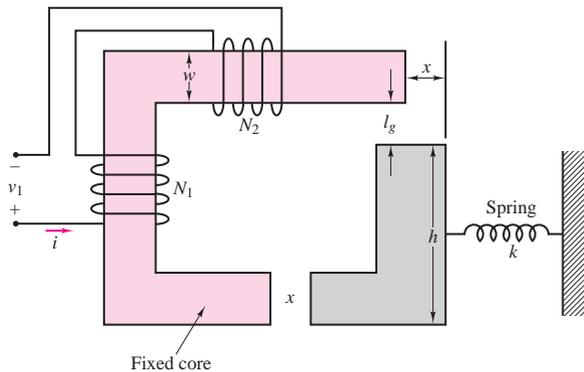


Figure P13.37

- 13.38** Determine the force  $F$  between the faces of the poles (stationary coil and plunger) of the solenoid pictured in Figure P13.38 when it is energized. When energized, the plunger is drawn into the coil and comes to rest with only a negligible air gap separating the two. The flux density in the cast steel pathway is 1.1 T. The diameter of the plunger is 10 mm. Assume that the reluctance of the steel is negligible.

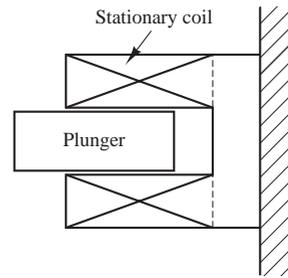


Figure P13.38

- 13.39** An electromagnet is used to support a solid piece of steel, as shown in Example 13.9. A force of 10,000 N is required to support the weight. The cross-sectional area of the magnetic core (the fixed part) is  $0.01 \text{ m}^2$ . The coil has 1,000 turns. Determine the minimum current that can keep the weight from falling for  $x = 1.0$  mm. Assume negligible reluctance for the steel parts and negligible fringing in the air gaps.
- 13.40** The armature, frame, and core of a 12-V DC control relay are made of sheet steel. The average length of the magnetic circuit is 12 cm when the relay is energized, and the average cross section of the magnetic circuit is  $0.60 \text{ cm}^2$ . The coil is wound with 250 turns and carries 50 mA. Determine
- The flux density  $B$  in the magnetic circuit of the relay when the coil is energized.
  - The force  $F$  exerted on the armature to close it when the coil is energized.
- 13.41** A relay is shown in Figure P13.41. Find the differential equations describing the system.

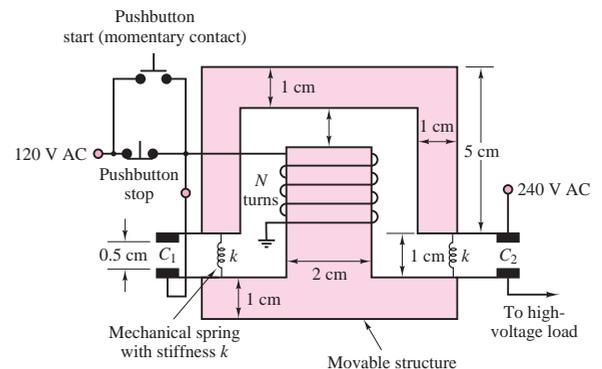


Figure P13.41

- 13.42** A solenoid having a cross section of  $5 \text{ cm}^2$  is shown in Figure P13.42.

- a. Calculate the force exerted on the plunger when the distance  $x$  is 2 cm and the current in the coil (where  $N = 100$  turns) is 5 A. Assume that the fringing and leakage effects are negligible. The relative permeabilities of the magnetic material and the nonmagnetic sleeve are 2,000 and 1.
- b. Develop a set of differential equations governing the behavior of the solenoid.

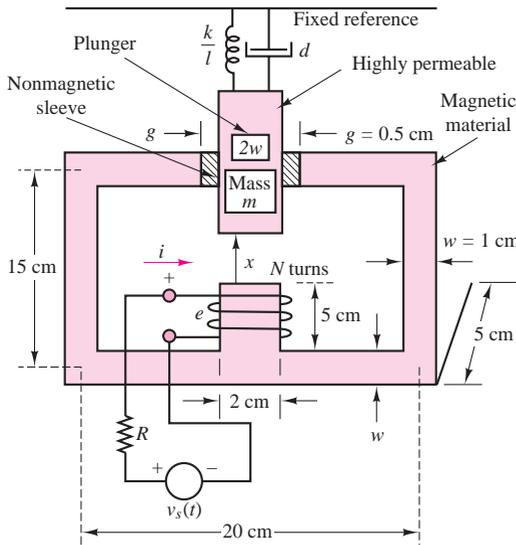


Figure P13.42

- 13.43** Derive the differential equations (electrical and mechanical) for the relay shown in Figure P13.43. Do not assume that the inductance is fixed; it is a function of  $x$ . You may assume that the iron reluctance is negligible.

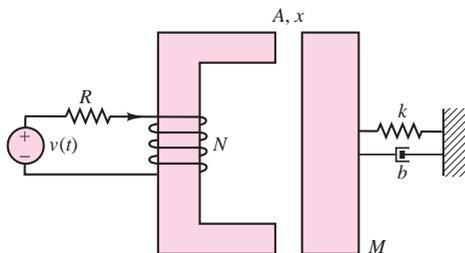


Figure P13.43

- 13.44** Derive the complete set of differential equations describing the relay shown in Figure P13.44.

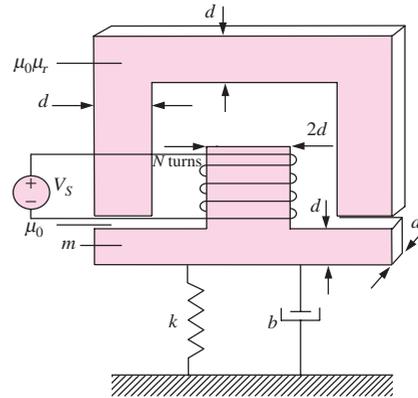


Figure P13.44

### Moving-Coil Transducers

- 13.45** A wire of length 20 cm vibrates in one direction in a constant magnetic field with a flux density of 0.1 T; see Figure P13.45. The position of the wire as a function of time is given by  $x(t) = 0.1 \sin 10t$  m. Find the induced emf across the length of the wire as a function of time.

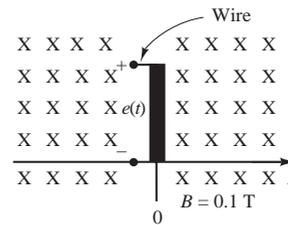


Figure P13.45

- 13.46** The wire of Problem 13.45 induces a time-varying emf of

$$e_1(t) = 0.02 \cos 10t$$

A second wire is placed in the same magnetic field but has a length of 0.1 m, as shown in Figure P13.46. The position of this wire is given by  $x(t) = 1 - 0.1 \sin 10t$ . Find the induced emf  $e(t)$  defined by the difference between  $e_1(t)$  and  $e_2(t)$ .

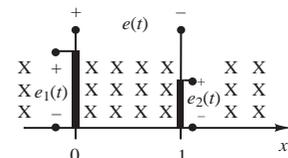
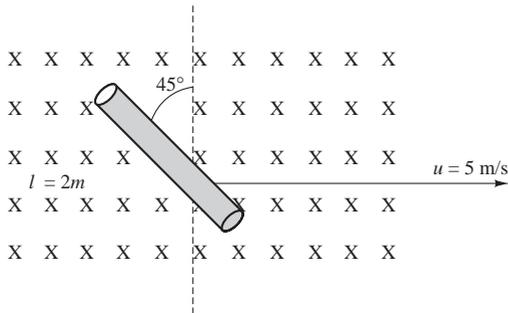


Figure P13.46

**13.47** A conducting bar shown in Figure 13.43 in the text is carrying 4 A of current in the presence of a magnetic field;  $B = 0.3 \text{ Wb/m}^2$ . Find the magnitude and direction of the force induced on the conducting bar.

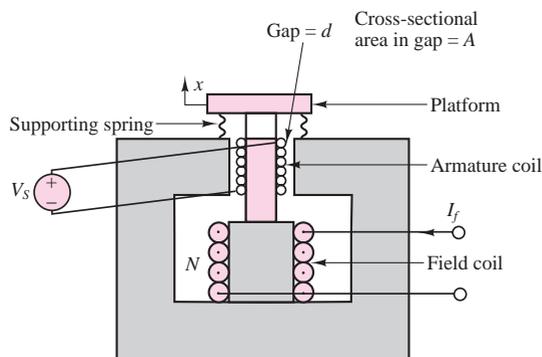
**13.48** A wire, shown in Figure P13.48, is moving in the presence of a magnetic field, with  $B = 0.4 \text{ Wb/m}^2$ . Find the magnitude and direction of the induced voltage in the wire.



**Figure P13.48**

**13.49** The electrodynamic shaker shown in Figure P13.49 is commonly used as a vibration tester. A constant current is used to generate a magnetic field in which the armature coil of length  $l$  is immersed. The shaker platform with mass  $m$  is mounted in the fixed structure by way of a spring with stiffness  $k$ . The platform is rigidly attached to the armature coil, which slides on the fixed structure thanks to frictionless bearings.

- Neglecting iron reluctance, determine the reluctance of the fixed structure, and hence compute the strength of the magnetic flux density  $B$  in which the armature coil is immersed.
- Knowing  $B$ , determine the dynamic equations of motion of the shaker, assuming that the moving coil has resistance  $R$  and inductance  $L$ .



**Figure P13.49** Electrodynamic shaker

c. Derive the transfer function and frequency response function of the shaker mass *velocity* in response to the input voltage  $V_s$ .

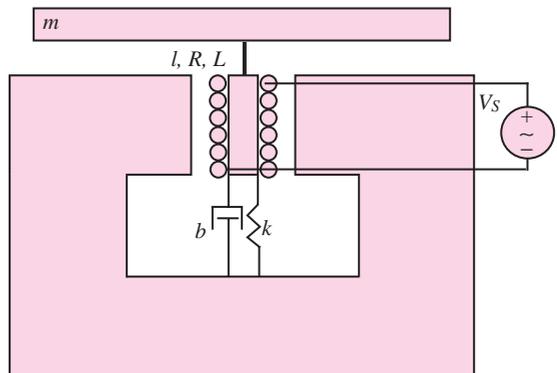
**13.50** The electrodynamic shaker of Figure P13.49 is used to perform vibration testing of an electrical connector. The connector is placed on the test platform (with mass  $m$ ), and it may be assumed to have negligible mass when compared to the platform. The test consists of shaking the connector at the frequency  $\omega = 2\pi \times 100 \text{ rad/s}$ .

Given the parameter values  $B = 1,000 \text{ Wb/m}^2$ ,  $l = 5 \text{ m}$ ,  $k = 1,000 \text{ N/m}$ ,  $m = 1 \text{ kg}$ ,  $b = 5 \text{ N-s/m}$ ,  $L = 0.8 \text{ H}$ , and  $R = 0.5 \Omega$ , determine the peak amplitude of the sinusoidal voltage  $V_s$  required to generate an acceleration of  $5g$  ( $49 \text{ m/s}^2$ ) under the stated test conditions.

**13.51** Derive and sketch the frequency response of the loudspeaker of Example 13.13 for (1)  $k = 50,000 \text{ N/m}$  and (2)  $k = 5 \times 10^6 \text{ N/m}$ . Describe qualitatively how the loudspeaker frequency response changes as the spring stiffness  $k$  increases and decreases. What will the frequency response be in the limit as  $k$  approaches zero? What kind of speaker would this condition correspond to?

**13.52** The loudspeaker of Example 13.13 has a midrange frequency response. Modify the mechanical parameters of the loudspeaker (mass, damping, and spring rate), so as to obtain a loudspeaker with a bass response centered on 400 Hz. Demonstrate that your design accomplishes the intended task, using frequency response plots. *Note: This is an open-ended design problem.*

**13.53** The electrodynamic shaker shown in Figure P13.53 is used to perform vibration testing of an electronic circuit. The circuit is placed on a test table



**Figure P13.53**

with mass  $m$ , and is assumed to have negligible mass when compared to the table. The test consists of shaking the circuit at the frequency  $\omega = 2\pi(100)$  rad/s.

- a. Write the dynamic equations for the shaker. Clearly indicate system input(s) and output(s).
- b. Find the frequency response function of the table acceleration in response to the applied voltage.

c. Given the following parameter values:

$$B = 200 \text{ Wb/m}^2; \quad l = 5 \text{ m}; \quad k = 100 \text{ N/m}; \quad m = 0.2 \text{ kg};$$

$$b = 5 \text{ N} \cdot \text{s/m}; \quad L = 8 \text{ mH}; \quad R = 0.5 \Omega;$$

Determine the peak amplitude of the sinusoidal voltage  $V_s$  required to generate an acceleration of 5 g ( $49 \text{ m/s}^2$ ) under the stated test conditions.

# C H A P T E R

# 14

## INTRODUCTION TO ELECTRIC MACHINES

**T**he objective of this chapter is to introduce the basic operation of rotating electric machines. The operation of the three major classes of electric machines—DC, synchronous, and induction—first is described as intuitively as possible, building on the material presented in Chapter 13. The second part of the chapter is devoted to a discussion of the applications and selection criteria for the different classes of machines.

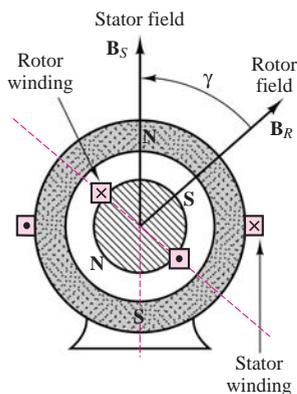
The emphasis of this chapter is on explaining the properties of each type of machine, with its advantages and disadvantages with regard to other types; and on classifying these machines in terms of their performance characteristics and preferred field of application.

## Learning Objectives

1. Understand the basic principles of operation of rotating electric machines, their classification, and basic efficiency and performance characteristics. *Section 14.1.*
2. Understand the operation and basic configurations of separately excited, permanent-magnet, shunt and series DC machines. *Section 14.2.*
3. Analyze DC generators at steady state. *Section 14.3.*
4. Analyze DC motors under steady-state and dynamic operation. *Section 14.4.*
5. Understand the operation and basic configuration of AC machines, including the synchronous motor and generator, and the induction machine. *Sections 14.5 through 14.8.*

## 14.1 ROTATING ELECTRIC MACHINES

The range of sizes and power ratings and the different physical features of rotating machines are such that the task of explaining the operation of rotating machines in a single chapter may appear formidable at first. Some features of rotating machines, however, are common to all such devices. This introductory section is aimed at explaining the common properties of all rotating electric machines. We begin our discussion with reference to Figure 14.1, in which a hypothetical rotating machine is depicted in a cross-sectional view. In the figure, a box with a cross inscribed in it indicates current flowing into the page, while a dot represents current out of the plane of the page.



**Figure 14.1** A rotating electric machine

In Figure 14.1, we identify a **stator**, of cylindrical shape, and a **rotor**, which, as the name indicates, rotates inside the stator, separated from the latter by means of an air gap. The rotor and stator each consist of a magnetic core, some electrical insulation, and the windings necessary to establish a magnetic flux (unless this is created by a permanent magnet). The rotor is mounted on a bearing-supported shaft, which can be connected to *mechanical loads* (if the machine is a motor) or to a *prime mover* (if the machine is a generator) by means of belts, pulleys, chains, or other mechanical couplings. The windings carry the electric currents that generate the magnetic fields and flow to the electrical loads, and also provide the closed loops in which voltages will be induced (by virtue of Faraday's law, as discussed in Chapter 13).

### Basic Classification of Electric Machines

An immediate distinction can be made between different types of windings characterized by the nature of the current they carry. If the current serves the sole purpose of providing a magnetic field and is independent of the load, it is called a *magnetizing*, or *excitation*, current, and the winding is termed a **field winding**. Field currents are nearly always direct current (DC) and are of relatively low power, since their only purpose is to magnetize the core (recall the important role of high-permeability cores in generating large magnetic fluxes from relatively small currents). On the other hand, if the winding carries only the load current, it is called an **armature**. In DC and alternating-current (AC) synchronous machines, separate windings exist to carry field and armature currents. In the induction motor, the magnetizing and load currents flow in the same winding, called the *input winding*, or *primary*; the output winding is then called the *secondary*. As we shall see, this terminology, which is

reminiscent of transformers, is particularly appropriate for induction motors, which bear a significant analogy to the operation of the transformers studied in Chapters 7 and 13. Table 14.1 characterizes the principal machines in terms of their field and armature configuration.

**Table 14.1** Configurations of the three types of electric machines

Machine type	Winding	Winding type	Location	Current
DC	Input and output	Armature	Rotor	AC (winding) DC (at brushes)
	Magnetizing	Field	Stator	DC
Synchronous	Input and output	Armature	Stator	AC
	Magnetizing	Field	Rotor	DC
Induction	Input	Primary	Stator	AC
	Output	Secondary	Rotor	AC



It is also useful to classify electric machines in terms of their energy conversion characteristics. A machine acts as a **generator** if it converts mechanical energy from a prime mover, say, an internal combustion engine, to electrical form. Examples of generators are the large machines used in power generating plants, or the common automotive alternator. A machine is classified as a **motor** if it converts electrical energy to mechanical form. The latter class of machines is probably of more direct interest to you, because of its widespread application in engineering practice. Electric motors are used to provide forces and torques to generate motion in countless industrial applications. Machine tools, robots, punches, presses, mills, and propulsion systems for electric vehicles are but a few examples of the application of electric machines in engineering.

Note that in Figure 14.1 we have explicitly shown the direction of two magnetic fields: that of the rotor  $\mathbf{B}_R$  and that of the stator  $\mathbf{B}_S$ . Although these fields are generated by different means in different machines (e.g., permanent magnets, alternating currents, direct currents), the presence of these fields is what causes a rotating machine to turn and enables the generation of electric power. In particular, we see that in Figure 14.1 the north pole of the rotor field will seek to align itself with the south pole of the stator field. It is this magnetic attraction force that permits the generation of torque in an electric motor; conversely, a generator exploits the laws of electromagnetic induction to convert a changing magnetic field to an electric current.

To simplify the discussion in later sections, we now introduce some basic concepts that apply to all rotating electric machines. Referring to Figure 14.2, we note that for all machines the force on a wire is given by the expression

$$\mathbf{f} = i_w \mathbf{l} \times \mathbf{B} \quad (14.1)$$

where  $i_w$  is the current in the wire,  $\mathbf{l}$  is a vector along the direction of the wire, and  $\times$  denotes the cross product of two vectors. Then the torque for a multiturn coil becomes

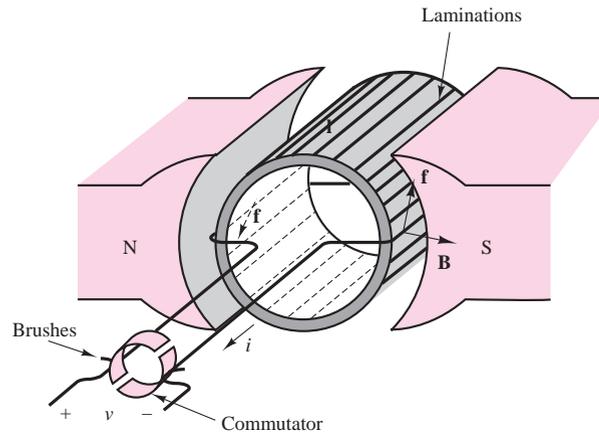
$$T = K B i_w \sin \alpha \quad (14.2)$$

where

$B$  = magnetic flux density caused by stator field

$K$  = constant depending on coil geometry

$\alpha$  = angle between  $\mathbf{B}$  and normal to plane of coil



**Figure 14.2** Stator and rotor fields and the force acting on a rotating machine

In the hypothetical machine of Figure 14.2, there are two magnetic fields: one generated within the stator, the other within the rotor windings. Either (but not both) of these fields could be generated by a current or by a permanent magnet. Thus, we could replace the permanent-magnet stator of Figure 14.2 with a suitably arranged winding to generate a stator field in the same direction. If the stator were made of a toroidal coil of radius  $R$  (see Chapter 13), then the magnetic field of the stator would generate a flux density  $B$ , where

$$B = \mu H = \mu \frac{Ni}{2\pi R} \quad (14.3)$$

and where  $N$  is the number of turns and  $i$  is the coil current. The direction of the torque is always the direction determined by the rotor and stator fields as they seek to align to each other (i.e., counterclockwise in the diagram of Figure 14.1).

It is important to note that Figure 14.2 is merely a general indication of the major features and characteristics of rotating machines. A variety of configurations exist, depending on whether each of the fields is generated by a current in a coil or by a permanent magnet and whether the load and magnetizing currents are direct or alternating. The type of excitation (AC or DC) provided to the windings permits a first classification of electric machines (see Table 14.1). According to this classification, one can define the following types of machines:



- *Direct-current machines:* DC in both stator and rotor
- *Synchronous machines:* AC in one winding, DC in the other
- *Induction machines:* AC in both

In most industrial applications, the induction machine is the preferred choice, because of the simplicity of its construction. However, the analysis of the performance of an induction machine is rather complex. On the other hand, DC machines are quite complex in their construction but can be analyzed relatively simply with the analytical tools we have already acquired. Therefore, the progression of this chapter is as follows. We start with a section that discusses the physical construction of DC machines, both

motors and generators. Then we continue with a discussion of synchronous machines, in which one of the currents is now alternating, since these can easily be understood as an extension of DC machines. Finally, we consider the case where both rotor and stator currents are alternating, and we analyze the induction machine.

### Performance Characteristics of Electric Machines

As already stated earlier in this chapter, electric machines are **energy conversion devices**, and we are therefore interested in their energy conversion **efficiency**. Typical applications of electric machines as motors or generators must take into consideration the energy losses associated with these devices. Figure 14.3(a) and (b) represents the various loss mechanisms you must consider in analyzing the efficiency of an electric machine for the case of direct-current machines. It is important for you to keep in mind this conceptual flow of energy when analyzing electric machines. The sources of loss in a rotating machine can be separated into three fundamental groups: electrical ( $I^2R$ ) losses, core losses, and mechanical losses.

Usually  $I^2R$  losses are computed on the basis of the DC resistance of the windings at 75°C; in practice, these losses vary with operating conditions. The difference

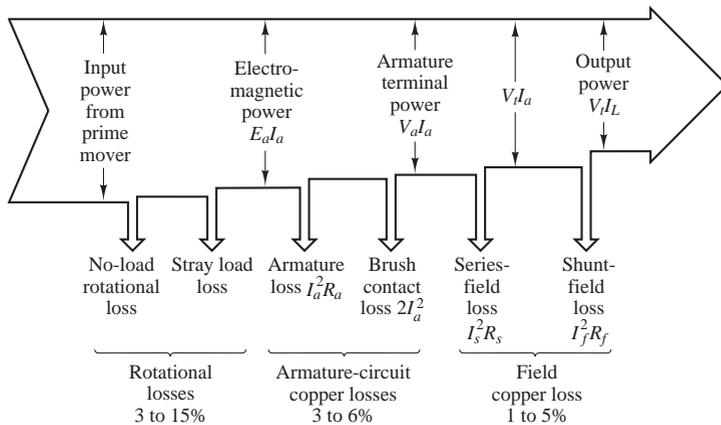


Figure 14.3a Generator losses, direct current

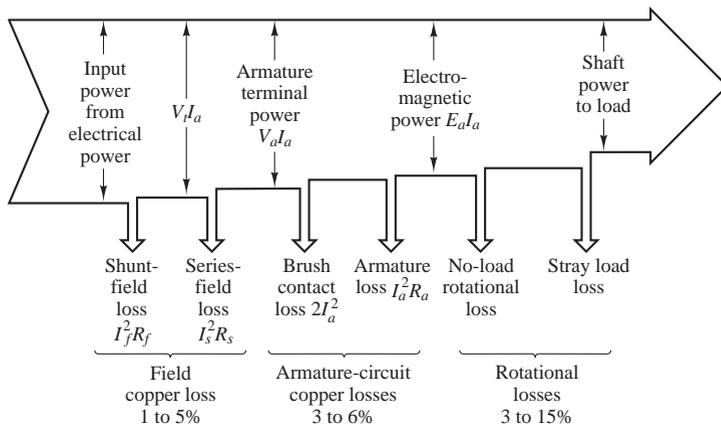


Figure 14.3b Motor losses, direct current

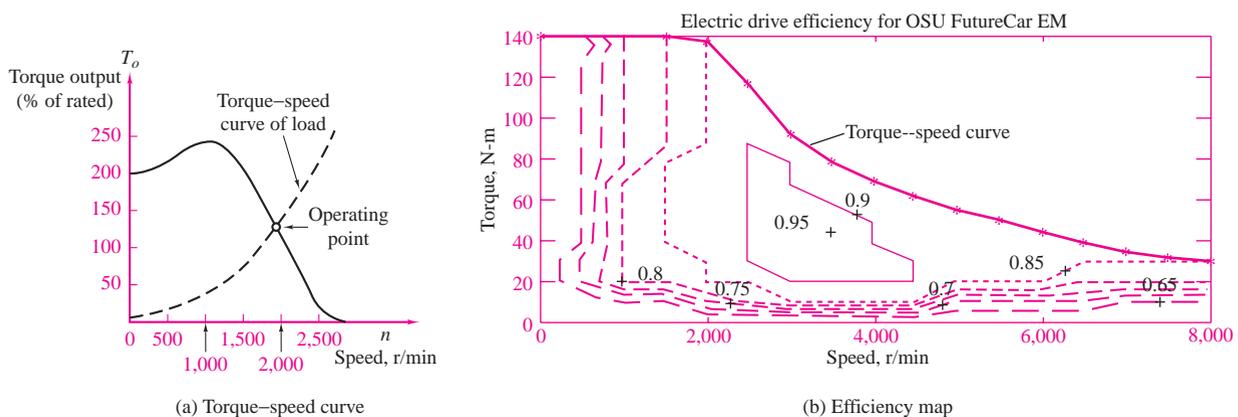
between the nominal and actual  $I^2R$  loss is usually lumped under the category of *stray-load loss*. In direct-current machines, it is also necessary to account for the *brush contact loss* associated with slip rings and commutators.

Mechanical losses are due to *friction* (mostly in the bearings) and *windage*, that is, the air drag force that opposes the motion of the rotor. In addition, if external devices (e.g., blowers) are required to circulate air through the machine for cooling purposes, the energy expended by these devices is included in the mechanical losses.

Open-circuit core losses consist of *hysteresis* and *eddy current* losses, with only the excitation winding energized (see Chapter 13 for a discussion of hysteresis and eddy currents). Often these losses are summed with friction and windage losses to give rise to the *no-load rotational loss*. The latter quantity is useful if one simply wishes to compute efficiency. Since open-circuit core losses do not account for the changes in flux density caused by the presence of load currents, an additional magnetic loss is incurred that is not accounted for in this term. *Stray-load losses* are used to lump the effects of nonideal current distribution in the windings and of the additional core losses just mentioned. Stray-load losses are difficult to determine exactly and are often assumed to be equal to 1.0 percent of the output power for DC machines; these losses can be determined by experiment in synchronous and induction machines.

The performance of an electric machine can be quantified in a number of ways. In the case of an electric motor, it is usually portrayed in the form of a graphical **torque–speed characteristic** and **efficiency map**. The torque–speed characteristic of a motor describes how the torque supplied by the machine varies as a function of the speed of rotation of the motor for steady speeds. As we shall see in later sections, the torque–speed curves vary in shape with the type of motor (DC, induction, synchronous) and are very useful in determining the performance of the motor when connected to a mechanical load. Figure 14.4(a) depicts the torque–speed curve of a hypothetical motor. Figure 14.4(b) depicts a typical efficiency map for a DC machine. In most engineering applications, it is quite likely that the engineer is required to make a decision regarding the performance characteristics of the motor best suited to a specified task. In this context, the torque–speed curve of a machine is a very useful piece of information.

The first feature we note of the torque–speed characteristic is that it bears a strong resemblance to the  $i$ - $v$  characteristics used in earlier chapters to represent the



**Figure 14.4** Torque–speed and efficiency curves for an electric motor

behavior of electrical sources. It should be clear that, according to this torque–speed curve, the motor is not an ideal source of torque (if it were, the curve would appear as a horizontal line across the speed range). One can readily see, for example, that the hypothetical motor represented by the curves of Figure 14.4(a) would produce maximum torque in the range of speeds between approximately 800 and 1,400 r/min. What determines the actual speed of the motor (and therefore its output torque and power) is the torque–speed characteristic of the load connected to it, much as a resistive load determines the current drawn from a voltage source. In the figure, we display the torque–speed curve of a load, represented by the dashed line; the operating point of the motor-load pair is determined by the intersection of the two curves.

Another important observation pertains to the fact that the motor of Figure 14.4(a) produces a nonzero torque at zero speed. This fact implies that as soon as electric power is connected to the motor, the latter is capable of supplying a certain amount of torque; this zero-speed torque is called the **starting torque**. If the load the motor is connected to requires less than the starting torque the motor can provide, then the motor can accelerate the load, until the motor speed and torque settle to a stable value, at the operating point. The motor-load pair of Figure 14.4(a) would behave in the manner just described. However, there may well be circumstances in which a motor might not be able to provide a sufficient starting torque to overcome the static load torque that opposes its motion. Thus, we see that a torque–speed characteristic can offer valuable insight into the operation of a motor. As we discuss each type of machine in greater detail, we shall devote some time to the discussion of its torque–speed curve.

The efficiency of an electric machine is also an important design and performance characteristic. The **1995 Department of Energy Energy Policy Act**, also known as EPACT, has required electric motor manufacturers to guarantee a minimum efficiency. The efficiency of an electric motor is usually described using a contour plot of the efficiency value (a number between 0 and 1) in the torque–speed plane. This representation permits a determination of the motor efficiency as a function of its performance and operating conditions. Figure 14.4(b) depicts the efficiency map of an electric drive used in a hybrid-electric vehicle—a 20-kW permanent-magnet AC (or brushless DC) machine. Note that the peak efficiency can be as high as 0.95 (95 percent), but that the efficiency decreases significantly away from the optimum point (around 3,500 r/min and 45 N·m), to values as low as 0.65.

The most common means of conveying information regarding electric machines is the *nameplate*. Typical information conveyed by the nameplate includes

1. Type of device (e.g., DC motor, alternator)
2. Manufacturer
3. Rated voltage and frequency
4. Rated current and voltamperes
5. Rated speed and horsepower

The **rated voltage** is the terminal voltage for which the machine was designed, and which will provide the desired magnetic flux. Operation at higher voltages will increase magnetic core losses, because of excessive core saturation. The **rated current** and **rated voltamperes** are an indication of the typical current and power levels at the terminal that will not cause undue overheating due to copper losses ( $I^2R$  losses) in the windings. These ratings are not absolutely precise, but they give an indication of the range of excitations for which the motor will perform without overheating. Peak power operation in a motor may exceed rated torque, power, or



currents by a substantial factor (up to as much as 6 or 7 times the rated value); however, continuous operation of the motor above the rated performance will cause the machine to overheat and eventually to sustain damage. Thus, it is important to consider both peak and continuous power requirements when selecting a motor for a specific application. An analogous discussion is valid for the speed rating: While an electric machine may operate above rated speed for limited periods of time, the large centrifugal forces generated at high rotational speeds will eventually cause undesirable mechanical stresses, especially in the rotor windings, leading eventually even to self-destruction.

Another important feature of electric machines is the **regulation** of the machine speed or voltage, depending on whether it is used as a motor or as a generator, respectively. Regulation is the ability to maintain speed or voltage constant in the face of load variations. The ability to closely regulate speed in a motor or voltage in a generator is an important feature of electric machines; regulation is often improved by means of feedback control mechanisms, some of which are briefly introduced in this chapter. We take the following definitions as being adequate for the intended purpose of this chapter:

$$\text{Speed regulation} = \frac{\text{Speed at no load} - \text{Speed at rated load}}{\text{Speed at rated load}} \quad (14.4)$$

$$\text{Voltage regulation} = \frac{\text{Voltage at no load} - \text{Voltage at rated load}}{\text{Voltage at rated load}} \quad (14.5)$$

Please note that the rated value is usually taken to be the nameplate value, and that the meaning of *load* changes depending on whether the machine is a motor, in which case the load is mechanical, or a generator, in which case the load is electrical.



### EXAMPLE 14.1 Regulation

#### Problem

Find the percentage of speed regulation of a shunt DC motor.

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** No-load speed; speed at rated load.

**Find:** Percentage speed regulation, denoted by SR%.

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**

$$n_{nl} = \text{no-load speed} = 1,800 \text{ r/min}$$

$$n_{rl} = \text{rated load speed} = 1,760 \text{ r/min}$$

**Analysis:**

$$\text{SR}\% = \frac{n_{nl} - n_{rl}}{n_{rl}} \times 100 = \frac{1,800 - 1,760}{1,800} \times 100 = 2.27\%$$

**Comments:** Speed regulation is an intrinsic property of a motor; however, external speed controls can be used to regulate the speed of a motor to any (physically achievable) desired value. Some motor control concepts are discussed later in this chapter.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

The percentage of speed regulation of a motor is 10 percent. If the full-load speed is  $50\pi$  rad/s, find (a) the no-load speed in radians per second, and (b) the no-load speed in revolutions per minute, (c) the percentage of voltage regulation for a 250-V generator is 10 percent. Find the no-load voltage of the generator.

Answers: (a)  $\omega = 55\pi$  rad/s; (b)  $n = 1,650$  r/min; (c)  $V_{\text{no-load}} = 275$  V

## EXAMPLE 14.2 Nameplate Data



### Problem

Discuss the nameplate data, shown below, of a typical induction motor.

### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Nameplate data.

**Find:** Motor characteristics.

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:** The nameplate appears below.

MODEL	19308 J-X		
TYPE	CJ4B	FRAME	324TS
VOLTS	230/460	°C AMB.	40
		INS. CL.	B
FRT. BRG	210SF	EXT. BRG	312SF
SERV FACT	1.0	OPER INSTR	C-517
PHASE   3	Hz   60	CODE   G	WDGS   1
H.P.	40		
R.P.M.	3,565		
AMPS	106/53		
NEMA NOM.	EFF		
NOM. P.F.			
DUTY	CONT.	NEMA DESIGN	B

**Analysis:** The nameplate of a typical induction motor is shown in the preceding table. The model number (sometimes abbreviated as MOD) uniquely identifies the motor to the manufacturer. It may be a style number, a model number, an identification number, or an instruction sheet reference number.

The term *frame* (sometimes abbreviated as FR) refers principally to the physical size of the machine, as well as to certain construction features.

Ambient temperature (abbreviated as AMB, or MAX. AMB) refers to the maximum ambient temperature in which the motor is capable of operating. Operation of the motor in a higher ambient temperature may result in shortened motor life and reduced torque.

Insulation class (abbreviated as INS. CL.) refers to the type of insulation used in the motor. Most often used are class A (105°C) and class B (130°C).

The duty (DUTY), or time rating, denotes the length of time the motor is expected to be able to carry the rated load under usual service conditions. “CONT.” means that the machine can be operated continuously.

The “CODE” letter sets the limits of starting kilovoltamperes per horsepower for the machine. There are 19 levels, denoted by the letters A through V, excluding I, O, and Q.

Service factor (abbreviated as SERV FACT) is a term defined by NEMA (the National Electrical Manufacturers Association) as follows: “The service factor of a general-purpose alternating-current motor is a multiplier which, when applied to the rated horsepower, indicates a permissible horsepower loading which may be carried under the conditions specified for the service factor.”

The voltage figure given on the nameplate refers to the voltage of the supply circuit to which the motor should be connected. Sometimes two voltages are given, for example, 230/460. In this case, the machine is intended for use on either a 230-V or a 460-V circuit. Special instructions will be provided for connecting the motor for each of the voltages.

The term “BRG” indicates the nature of the bearings supporting the motor shaft.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

The nameplate of a three-phase induction motor indicates the following values:

$$\text{H.P.} = 10 \quad \text{Volt} = 220 \text{ V}$$

$$\text{R.P.M.} = 1,750 \quad \text{Service factor} = 1.15$$

$$\text{Temperature rise} = 60^\circ\text{C} \quad \text{Amp} = 30 \text{ A}$$

Find the rated torque, rated voltamperes, and maximum continuous output power.

$$\text{Answers: } I_{\text{rated}} = 40.7 \text{ N-m; rated VA} = 11,431 \text{ VA; } P_{\text{max}} = 11.5 \text{ hp.}$$



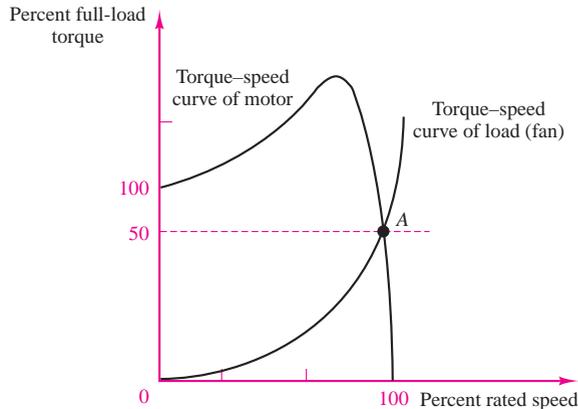
### EXAMPLE 14.3 Torque–Speed Curves

#### Problem

Discuss the significance of the torque–speed curve of an electric motor.

### Solution

A variable-torque variable-speed motor has a torque output that varies directly with speed; hence, the horsepower output varies directly with the speed. Motors with this characteristic are commonly used with fans, blowers, and centrifugal pumps. Figure 14.5 shows typical torque–speed curves for this type of motor. Superimposed on the motor torque–speed curve is the torque–speed curve for a typical fan where the input power to the fan varies as the cube of the fan speed. Point A is the desired operating point, which could be determined graphically by plotting the load line and the motor torque–speed curve on the same graph, as illustrated in Figure 14.5.



**Figure 14.5** Torque–speed curves of electric motor and load

### CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

A motor having the characteristics shown in Figure 14.4(a) is to drive a load; the load has a linear torque–speed curve and requires 150 percent of rated torque at 1,500 r/min. Find the operating point for this motor-load pair.

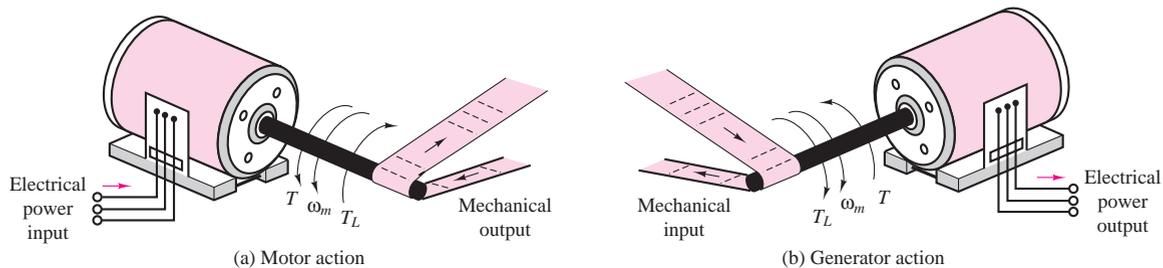
Answer: 170 percent of rated torque; 1,700 r/min.

### Basic Operation of All Rotating Machines

We have already seen in Chapter 13 how the magnetic field in electromechanical devices provides a form of coupling between electrical and mechanical systems. Intuitively, one can identify two aspects of this coupling, both of which play a role in the operation of electric machines:

1. Magnetic attraction and repulsion forces generate mechanical torque.
2. The magnetic field can induce a voltage in the machine windings (coils) by virtue of Faraday’s law.

Thus, we may think of the operation of an electric machine in terms of either a motor or a generator, depending on whether the input power is electrical and mechanical power is produced (motor action), or the input power is mechanical and the output power is electrical (generator action). Figure 14.6 illustrates the two cases graphically.



**Figure 14.6** Generator and motor action in an electric machine

The coupling magnetic field performs a dual role, which may be explained as follows. When a current  $i$  flows through conductors placed in a magnetic field, a force is produced on each conductor, according to equation 14.1. If these conductors are attached to a cylindrical structure, a torque is generated; and if the structure is free to rotate, then it will rotate at an angular velocity  $\omega_m$ . As the conductors rotate, however, they move through a magnetic field and cut through flux lines, thus generating an electromotive force in opposition to the excitation. This emf is also called *counter-emf*, as it opposes the source of the current  $i$ . If, on the other hand, the rotating element of the machine is driven by a prime mover (e.g., an internal combustion engine), then an emf is generated across the coil that is rotating in the magnetic field (the armature). If a load is connected to the armature, a current  $i$  will flow to the load, and this current flow will in turn cause a reaction torque on the armature that opposes the torque imposed by the prime mover.

You see, then, that for energy conversion to take place, two elements are required:

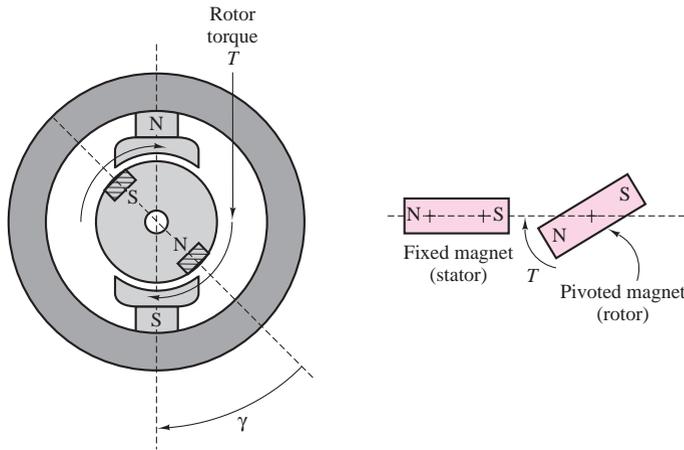
1. A coupling field  $\mathbf{B}$ ; usually generated in the field winding.
2. An armature winding that supports the load current  $i$  and the emf  $e$ .

### Magnetic Poles in Electric Machines

Before discussing the actual construction of a rotating machine, we should spend a few paragraphs to illustrate the significance of **magnetic poles** in an electric machine. In an electric machine, torque is developed as a consequence of magnetic forces of attraction and repulsion between magnetic poles on the stator and on the rotor; these poles produce a torque that accelerates the rotor and a reaction torque on the stator. Naturally, we would like a construction such that the torque generated as a consequence of the magnetic forces is continuous and in a constant direction. This can be accomplished if the number of rotor poles is equal to the number of stator poles. It is also important to observe that the number of poles must be even, since there have to be equal numbers of north and south poles.

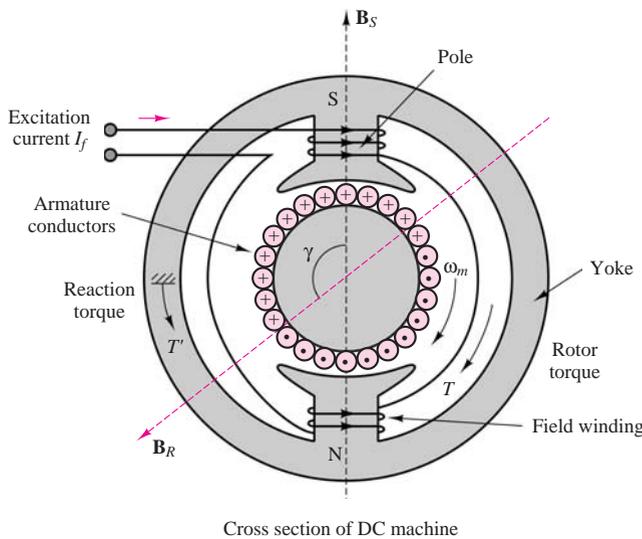
The motion and associated electromagnetic torque of an electric machine are the result of two magnetic fields that are trying to align with each other so that the

south pole of one field attracts the north pole of the other. Figure 14.7 illustrates this action by analogy with two permanent magnets, one of which is allowed to rotate about its center of mass.

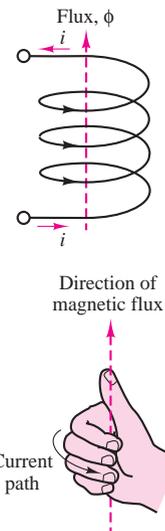


**Figure 14.7** Alignment action of poles

Figure 14.8 depicts a two-pole machine in which the stator poles are constructed in such a way as to project closer to the rotor than to the stator structure. This type of construction is rather common, and poles constructed in this fashion are called **salient poles**. Note that the rotor could also be constructed to have salient poles.

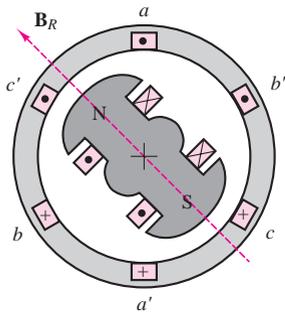


**Figure 14.8** A two-pole machine with salient stator poles

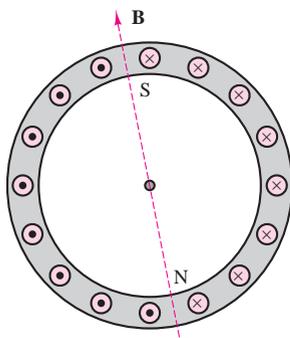


**Figure 14.9** Right-hand rule

To understand magnetic polarity, we need to consider the direction of the magnetic field in a coil carrying current. Figure 14.9 shows how the *right-hand rule* can be employed to determine the direction of the magnetic flux. If one were to grasp the



**Figure 14.10** Magnetic field in a salient rotor winding



**Figure 14.11** Magnetic field of stator

coil with the right hand, with the fingers curling in the direction of current flow, then the thumb would be pointing in the direction of the magnetic flux. Magnetic flux by convention is viewed as entering the south pole and exiting from the north pole. Thus, to determine whether a magnetic pole is north or south, we must consider the direction of the flux. Figure 14.10 shows a cross section of a coil wound around a pair of salient rotor poles. In this case, one can readily identify the direction of the magnetic flux and therefore the magnetic polarity of the poles by applying the right-hand rule, as illustrated in the figure.

Often, however, the coil windings are not arranged as simply as in the case of salient poles. In many machines, the windings are embedded in slots cut into the stator or rotor, so that the situation is similar to that of the stator depicted in Figure 14.11. This figure is a cross section in which the wire connections between “crosses” and “dots” have been cut away. In Figure 14.11, the dashed line indicates the axis of the stator flux according to the right-hand rule, showing that the slotted stator in effect behaves as a pole pair. The north and south poles indicated in the figure are a consequence of the fact that the flux exits the bottom part of the structure (thus, the north pole indicated in the figure) and enters the top half of the structure (thus, the south pole). In particular, if you consider that the windings are arranged so that the current entering the right-hand side of the stator (to the right of the dashed line) flows through the back end of the stator and then flows outward from the left-hand side of the stator slots (left of the dashed line), you can visualize the windings in the slots as behaving in a manner similar to the coils of Figure 14.10, where the flux axis of Figure 14.11 corresponds to the flux axis of each of the coils of Figure 14.10. The actual circuit that permits current flow is completed by the front and back ends of the stator, where the wires are connected according to the pattern  $a-a'$ ,  $b-b'$ ,  $c-c'$ , as depicted in the figure.

Another important consideration that facilitates understanding of the operation of electric machines pertains to the use of alternating currents. It should be apparent by now that if the current flowing into the slotted stator is alternating, the direction of the flux will also alternate, so that in effect the two poles will reverse polarity every time the current reverses direction, that is, every half-cycle of the sinusoidal current. Further—since the magnetic flux is approximately proportional to the current in the coil—as the amplitude of the current oscillates in a sinusoidal fashion, so will the flux density in the structure. Thus, *the magnetic field developed in the stator changes both spatially and in time.*

This property is typical of AC machines, where a *rotating magnetic field* is established by energizing the coil with an alternating current. As we shall see in Section 14.2, the principles underlying the operation of DC and AC machines are quite different: In a direct-current machine, there is no rotating field, but a mechanical switching arrangement (the *commutator*) makes it possible for the rotor and stator magnetic fields to always align at right angles to each other.

The book website includes two-dimensional “movies” of the most common types of electric machines. You might wish to explore these animations to better understand the basic concepts described in this section.



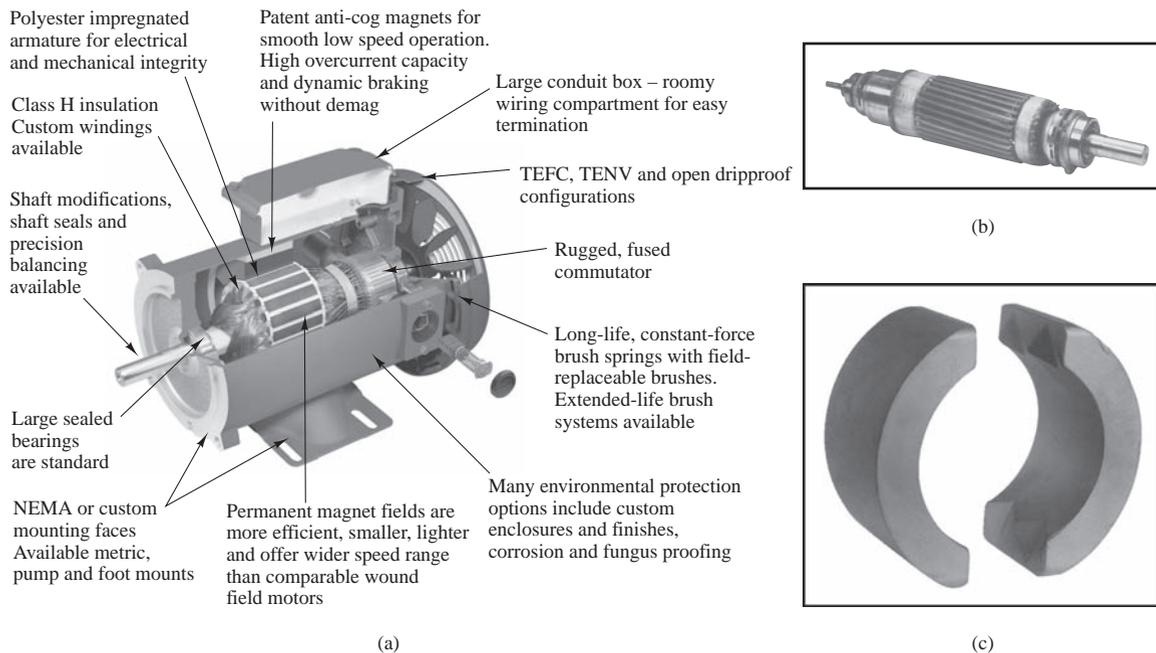
## 14.2 DIRECT-CURRENT MACHINES

As explained in the introductory section, direct-current machines are easier to analyze than their AC counterparts, although their actual construction is made rather complex by the need to have a commutator, which reverses the direction of currents and fluxes to

produce a net torque. The objective of this section is to describe the major construction features and the operation of direct-current machines, as well as to develop simple circuit models that are useful in analyzing the performance of this class of machines.

## Physical Structure of DC Machines

A representative DC machine was depicted in Figure 14.8, with the magnetic poles clearly identified, for both the stator and the rotor. Figure 14.12 is a photograph of the same type of machine. Note the salient pole construction of the stator and the slotted rotor. As previously stated, the torque developed by the machine is a consequence of the magnetic forces between stator and rotor poles. This torque is maximum when the angle  $\gamma$  between the rotor and stator poles is  $90^\circ$ . Also, as you can see from the figure, in a DC machine the armature is usually on the rotor, and the field winding is on the stator.

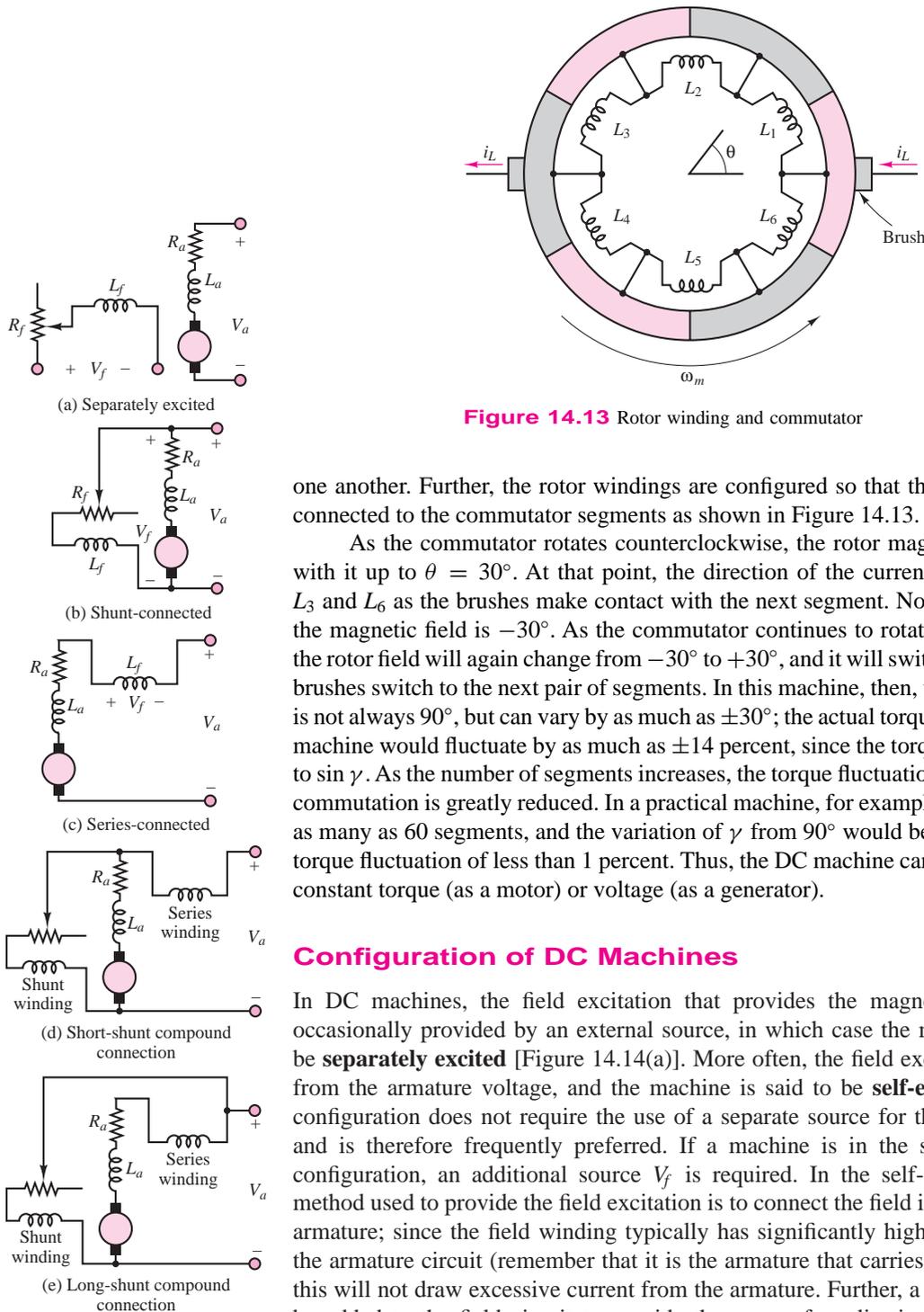


**Figure 14.12** (a) DC machine; (b) rotor; (c) permanent-magnet stator (Photos © 2005, Rockwell Automation. All rights reserved. Used with permission.)



To keep this torque angle constant as the rotor spins on its shaft, a mechanical switch, called a **commutator**, is configured so the current distribution in the rotor winding remains constant, and therefore the rotor poles are consistently at  $90^\circ$  with respect to the fixed stator poles. In a DC machine, the magnetizing current is DC, so that there is no spatial alternation of the stator poles due to time-varying currents. To understand the operation of the commutator, consider the simplified diagram of Figure 14.13. In the figure, the brushes are fixed, and the rotor revolves at an angular velocity  $\omega_m$ ; the instantaneous position of the rotor is given by the expression  $\theta = \omega_m t - \gamma$ .

The commutator is fixed to the rotor and is made up in this example of six segments that are made of electrically conducting material but are insulated from



**Figure 14.13** Rotor winding and commutator

one another. Further, the rotor windings are configured so that they form six coils, connected to the commutator segments as shown in Figure 14.13.

As the commutator rotates counterclockwise, the rotor magnetic field rotates with it up to  $\theta = 30^\circ$ . At that point, the direction of the current changes in coils  $L_3$  and  $L_6$  as the brushes make contact with the next segment. Now the direction of the magnetic field is  $-30^\circ$ . As the commutator continues to rotate, the direction of the rotor field will again change from  $-30^\circ$  to  $+30^\circ$ , and it will switch again when the brushes switch to the next pair of segments. In this machine, then, the torque angle  $\gamma$  is not always  $90^\circ$ , but can vary by as much as  $\pm 30^\circ$ ; the actual torque produced by the machine would fluctuate by as much as  $\pm 14$  percent, since the torque is proportional to  $\sin \gamma$ . As the number of segments increases, the torque fluctuation produced by the commutation is greatly reduced. In a practical machine, for example, one might have as many as 60 segments, and the variation of  $\gamma$  from  $90^\circ$  would be only  $\pm 3^\circ$ , with a torque fluctuation of less than 1 percent. Thus, the DC machine can produce a nearly constant torque (as a motor) or voltage (as a generator).

### Configuration of DC Machines

In DC machines, the field excitation that provides the magnetizing current is occasionally provided by an external source, in which case the machine is said to be **separately excited** [Figure 14.14(a)]. More often, the field excitation is derived from the armature voltage, and the machine is said to be **self-excited**. The latter configuration does not require the use of a separate source for the field excitation and is therefore frequently preferred. If a machine is in the separately excited configuration, an additional source  $V_f$  is required. In the self-excited case, one method used to provide the field excitation is to connect the field in parallel with the armature; since the field winding typically has significantly higher resistance than the armature circuit (remember that it is the armature that carries the load current), this will not draw excessive current from the armature. Further, a series resistor can be added to the field circuit to provide the means for adjusting the field current independent of the armature voltage. This configuration is called a **shunt-connected** machine and is depicted in Figure 14.14(b). Another method for self-exciting a DC machine consists of connecting the field in series with the armature, leading to the **series-connected** machine, depicted in Figure 14.14(c); in this case, the field

**Figure 14.14**



winding will support the entire armature current, and thus the field coil must have low resistance (and therefore relatively few turns). This configuration is rarely used for generators, since the generated voltage and the load voltage must always differ by the voltage drop across the field coil, which varies with the load current. Thus, a series generator would have poor (large) regulation. However, series-connected motors are commonly used in certain applications, as will be discussed in a later section.

The third type of DC machine is the **compound-connected** machine, which consists of a combination of the shunt and series configurations. Figure 14.14(d) and (e) shows the two types of connections, called the **short shunt** and the **long shunt**, respectively. Each of these configurations may be connected so that the series part of the field adds to the shunt part (**cumulative compounding**) or so that it subtracts (**differential compounding**).

## DC Machine Models

As stated earlier, it is relatively easy to develop a simple model of a DC machine, which is well suited to performance analysis, without the need to resort to the details of the construction of the machine itself. This section illustrates the development of such models in two steps. First, steady-state models relating field and armature currents and voltages to speed and torque are introduced; second, the differential equations describing the dynamic behavior of DC machines are derived.

When a field excitation is established, a magnetic flux  $\phi$  is generated by the field current  $I_f$ . From equation 14.2, we know that the torque acting on the rotor is proportional to the product of the magnetic field and the current in the load-carrying wire; the latter current is the armature current  $I_a$  ( $i_w$  in equation 14.2). Assuming that, by virtue of the commutator, the torque angle  $\gamma$  is kept very close to  $90^\circ$ , and therefore  $\sin \gamma = 1$ , we obtain the following expression for the torque (in units of newton-meters) in a DC machine:

$$T = k_T \phi I_a \quad \text{for } \gamma = 90^\circ \quad \text{DC machine torque} \quad (14.6)$$



You may recall that this is simply a consequence of the *Bli* law of Chapter 13. The mechanical power generated (or absorbed) is equal to the product of the machine torque and the mechanical speed of rotation  $\omega_m$  rad/s, and is therefore given by

$$P_m = \omega_m T = \omega_m k_T \phi I_a \quad (14.7)$$

Recall now that the rotation of the armature conductors in the field generated by the field excitation causes a **back emf**  $E_b$  in a direction that opposes the rotation of the armature. According to the *Blu* law (see Chapter 13), then, this back emf is given by

$$E_b = k_a \phi \omega_m \quad \text{DC machine back emf} \quad (14.8)$$



where  $k_a$  is called the **armature constant** and is related to the geometry and magnetic properties of the structure. The voltage  $E_b$  represents a countervoltage (opposing the DC excitation) in the case of a motor and the generated voltage in the case of a generator. Thus, the electric power dissipated (or generated) by the machine is given

by the product of the back emf and the armature current:

$$P_e = E_b I_a \quad (14.9)$$

The constants  $k_T$  and  $k_a$  in equations 14.6 and 14.8 are related to geometry factors, such as the dimension of the rotor and the number of turns in the armature winding; and to properties of materials, such as the permeability of the magnetic materials. Note that in the ideal energy conversion case  $P_m = P_e$ , and therefore  $k_a = k_T$ . We shall in general assume such ideal conversion of electrical to mechanical energy (or vice versa) and will therefore treat the two constants as being identical:  $k_a = k_T$ . The constant  $k_a$  is given by

$$k_a = \frac{pN}{2\pi M} \quad (14.10)$$

where

$p$  = number of magnetic poles

$N$  = number of conductors per coil

$M$  = number of parallel paths in armature winding

An important observation concerning the units of angular speed must be made at this point. The equality (under the no-loss assumption) between the constants  $k_a$  and  $k_T$  in equations 14.6 and 14.8 results from the choice of consistent units, namely, volts and amperes for the electrical quantities and newton-meters and radians per second for the mechanical quantities. You should be aware that it is fairly common practice to refer to the speed of rotation of an electric machine in units of revolutions per minute (r/min).<sup>1</sup> In this book, we shall uniformly use the symbol  $n$  to denote angular speed in revolutions per minute; the following relationship should be committed to memory:

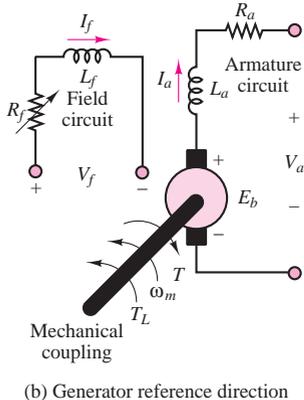
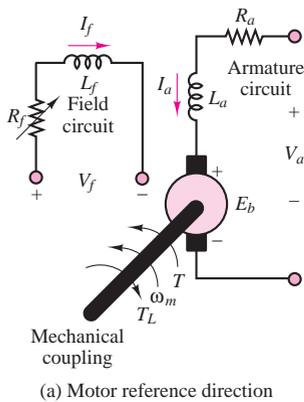
$$n \text{ (r/min)} = \frac{60}{2\pi} \omega_m \quad \text{rad/s} \quad (14.11)$$

If the speed is expressed in revolutions per minute, the armature constant changes as follows:

$$E_b = k'_a \phi n \quad (14.12)$$

where

$$k'_a = \frac{pN}{60M} \quad (14.13)$$



**Figure 14.15** Electric circuit model of a separately excited DC machine

Having introduced the basic equations relating torque, speed, voltages, and currents in electric machines, we may now consider the interaction of these quantities in a DC machine at steady state, that is, operating at constant speed and field excitation. Figure 14.15 depicts the electric circuit model of a separately excited DC machine, illustrating both motor and generator action. It is very important to note the reference direction of armature current flow, and of the developed torque, in order to make a distinction between the two modes of operation. The field excitation is shown as a voltage  $V_f$  generating the field current  $I_f$  that flows through a variable resistor  $R_f$  and through the field coil  $L_f$ . The variable resistor permits adjustment of the field excitation. The armature circuit, on the other hand, consists of a voltage source representing the back emf  $E_b$ , the armature resistance  $R_a$ , and the armature voltage  $V_a$ . This model is appropriate both for motor and for generator action. When  $V_a < E_b$ ,

<sup>1</sup>Note that the abbreviation *rpm*, although certainly familiar to the reader, is not a standard unit, and its use should be discouraged.

the machine acts as a generator ( $I_a$  flows out of the machine). When  $V_a > E_b$ , the machine acts as a motor ( $I_a$  flows into the machine). Thus, according to the circuit model of Figure 14.15, the operation of a DC machine at steady state (i.e., with the inductors in the circuit replaced by short circuits) is described by the following equations:

$$\begin{aligned} -I_f + \frac{V_f}{R_f} = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad V_a - R_a I_a - E_b = 0 \quad (\text{motor action}) \\ -I_f + \frac{V_f}{R_f} = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad V_a + R_a I_a - E_b = 0 \quad (\text{generator action}) \end{aligned} \quad (14.14)$$

Equations 14.14 together with equations 14.6 and 14.8 may be used to determine the steady-state operating condition of a DC machine.

The circuit model of Figure 14.15 permits the derivation of a simple set of differential equations that describe the *dynamic* analysis of a DC machine. The dynamic equations describing the behavior of a separately excited DC machine are as follows:

$$V_a(t) - I_a(t)R_a - L_a \frac{dI_a(t)}{dt} - E_b(t) = 0 \quad (\text{armature circuit}) \quad (14.15a)$$

$$V_f(t) - I_f(t)R_f - L_f \frac{dI_f(t)}{dt} = 0 \quad (\text{field circuit}) \quad (14.15b)$$

These equations can be related to the operation of the machine in the presence of a load. If we assume that the motor is rigidly connected to an inertial load with moment of inertia  $J$  and that the friction losses in the load are represented by a viscous friction coefficient  $b$ , then the torque developed by the machine (in the motor mode of operation) can be written as

$$T(t) = T_L + b\omega_m(t) + J \frac{d\omega_m(t)}{dt} \quad (14.16)$$

where  $T_L$  is the load torque. Typically  $T_L$  is either constant or some function of speed  $\omega_m$  in a motor. In the case of a generator, the load torque is replaced by the torque supplied by a prime mover, and the machine torque  $T(t)$  opposes the motion of the prime mover, as shown in Figure 14.15. Since the machine torque is related to the armature and field currents by equation 14.6, equations 14.16 and 14.17 are coupled to each other; this coupling may be expressed as follows:

$$T(t) = k_a \phi I_a(t) \quad (14.17)$$

or

$$k_a \phi I_a(t) = T_L + b\omega_m(t) + J \frac{d\omega_m(t)}{dt} \quad (14.18)$$

The dynamic equations described in this section apply to any DC machine. In the case of a *separately excited* machine, a further simplification is possible, since the flux is established by virtue of a separate field excitation, and therefore

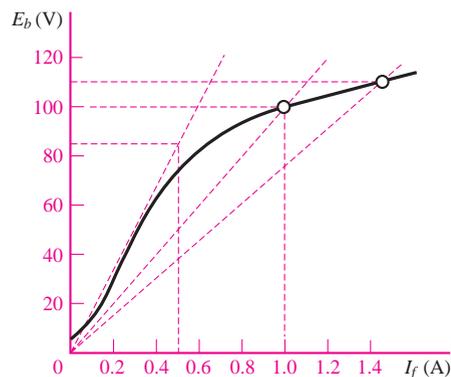
$$\phi = \frac{N_f}{\mathcal{R}} I_f = k_f I_f \quad (14.19)$$

where  $N_f$  is the number of turns in the field coil,  $\mathcal{R}$  is the reluctance of the structure, and  $I_f$  is the field current.

### 14.3 DIRECT-CURRENT GENERATORS

To analyze the performance of a DC generator, it would be useful to obtain an open-circuit characteristic capable of predicting the voltage generated when the machine is driven at a constant speed  $\omega_m$  by a prime mover. The common arrangement is to drive the machine at rated speed by means of a prime mover (or an electric motor). Then, with no load connected to the armature terminals, the armature voltage is recorded as the field current is increased from zero to some value sufficient to produce an armature voltage greater than the rated voltage. Since the load terminals are open-circuited,  $I_a = 0$  and  $E_b = V_a$ ; and since  $k_a\phi = E_b/\omega_m$ , the magnetization curve makes it possible to determine the value of  $k_a\phi$  corresponding to a given field current  $I_f$  for the rated speed.

Figure 14.16 depicts a typical magnetization curve. Note that the armature voltage is nonzero even when no field current is present. This phenomenon is due to the *residual magnetization* of the iron core. The dashed lines in Figure 14.16 are called **field resistance curves** and are a plot of the voltage that appears across the field winding plus rheostat (variable resistor; see Figure 14.15) versus the field current, for various values of field winding plus rheostat resistance. Thus, the slope of the line is equal to the total field circuit resistance  $R_f$ .



**Figure 14.16** DC machine magnetization curve

The operation of a DC generator may be readily understood with reference to the magnetization curve of Figure 14.16. As soon as the armature is connected across the shunt circuit consisting of the field winding and the rheostat, a current will flow through the winding, and this will in turn act to increase the emf across the armature. This **buildup** process continues until the two curves meet, that is, until the current flowing through the field winding is exactly that required to induce the emf. By changing the rheostat setting, the operating point at the intersection of the two curves can be displaced, as shown in Figure 14.16, and the generator can therefore be made to supply different voltages. Examples 14.4 and 14.5 illustrate the operation of the separately excited DC generator.

**EXAMPLE 14.4 Separately Excited DC Generator****Problem**

A separately excited DC generator is characterized by the magnetization curve of Figure 14.16.

1. If the prime mover is driving the generator at 800 r/min, what is the no-load terminal voltage  $V_a$ ?
2. If a 1- $\Omega$  load is connected to the generator, what is the generated voltage?

**Solution**

**Known Quantities:** Generator magnetization curve and ratings.

**Find:** Terminal voltage with no load and 1- $\Omega$  load.

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:** Generator ratings: 100 V, 100 A, 1,000 r/min. Circuit parameters:  $R_a = 0.14 \Omega$ ;  $V_f = 100$  V;  $R_f = 100 \Omega$ .

**Analysis:**

1. The field current in the machine is

$$I_f = \frac{V_f}{R_f} = \frac{100 \text{ V}}{100 \Omega} = 1 \text{ A}$$

From the magnetization curve, it can be seen that this field current will produce 100 V at a speed of 1,000 r/min. Since this generator is actually running at 800 r/min, the induced emf may be found by assuming a linear relationship between speed and emf. This approximation is reasonable, provided that the departure from the nominal operating condition is small. Let  $n_0$  and  $E_{b0}$  be the nominal speed and emf, respectively (that is, 1,000 r/min and 100 V); then

$$\frac{E_b}{E_{b0}} = \frac{n}{n_0}$$

and therefore

$$E_b = \frac{n}{n_0} E_{b0} = \frac{800 \text{ r/min}}{1,000 \text{ r/min}} \times 100 \text{ V} = 80 \text{ V}$$

The open-circuit (output) terminal voltage of the generator is equal to the emf from the circuit model of Figure 14.15; therefore,

$$V_a = E_b = 80 \text{ V}$$

2. When a load resistance is connected to the circuit (the practical situation), the terminal (or load) voltage is no longer equal to  $E_b$ , since there will be a voltage drop across the armature winding resistance. The armature (or load) current may be determined from

$$I_a = I_L = \frac{E_b}{R_a + R_L} = \frac{80 \text{ V}}{(0.14 + 1) \Omega} = 70.2 \text{ A}$$

where  $R_L = 1 \Omega$  is the load resistance. The terminal (load) voltage is therefore given by

$$V_L = I_L R_L = 70.2 \times 1 = 70.2 \text{ V}$$

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

A 24-coil, two-pole DC generator has 16 turns per coil in its armature winding. The field excitation is 0.05 Wb per pole, and the armature angular velocity is 180 rad/s. Find the machine constant and the total induced voltage.

Answer:  $k_a = 5.11$ ;  $E_b = 45.9$  V



### EXAMPLE 14.5 Separately Excited DC Generator

#### Problem

Determine the following quantities for a separately excited DC:

1. Induced voltage
2. Machine constant
3. Torque developed at rated conditions

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Generator ratings and machine parameters.

**Find:**  $E_b$ ,  $k_a$ ,  $T$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:** Generator ratings: 1,000 kW, 2,000 V, 3,600 r/min. Circuit parameters:  $R_a = 0.1 \Omega$ ; flux per pole  $\phi = 0.5$  Wb.

**Analysis:**

1. The armature current may be found by observing that the rated power is equal to the product of the terminal (load) voltage and the armature (load) current; thus,

$$I_a = \frac{P_{\text{rated}}}{V_L} = \frac{1,000 \times 10^3}{2,000} = 500 \text{ A}$$

The generated voltage is equal to the sum of the terminal voltage and the voltage drop across the armature resistance (see Figure 14.14):

$$E_b = V_a + I_a R_a = 2,000 + 500 \times 0.1 = 2,050 \text{ V}$$

2. The speed of rotation of the machine in units of radians per second is

$$\omega_m = \frac{2\pi n}{60} = \frac{2\pi \times 3,600 \text{ r/min}}{60 \text{ s/min}} = 377 \text{ rad/s}$$

Thus, the machine constant is found to be

$$k_a = \frac{E_b}{\phi \omega_m} = \frac{2,050 \text{ V}}{0.5 \text{ Wb} \times 377 \text{ rad/s}} = 10.876 \frac{\text{V}\cdot\text{s}}{\text{Wb}\cdot\text{rad}}$$

3. The torque developed is found from equation 14.6:

$$T = k_a \phi I_a = 10.875 \text{ V}\cdot\text{s}/\text{Wb}\cdot\text{rad} \times 0.5 \text{ Wb} \times 500 \text{ A} = 2,718.9 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}$$

**Comments:** In many practical cases, it is not actually necessary to know the armature constant and the flux separately, but it is sufficient to know the value of the product  $k_a\phi$ . For example, suppose that the armature resistance of a DC machine is known and that, given a known field excitation, the armature current, load voltage, and speed of the machine can be measured. Then the product  $k_a\phi$  may be determined from equation 14.8, as follows:

$$k_a\phi = \frac{E_b}{\omega_m} = \frac{V_L + I_a(R_a + R_S)}{\omega_m}$$

where  $V_L$ ,  $I_a$ , and  $\omega_m$  are measured quantities for given operating conditions.

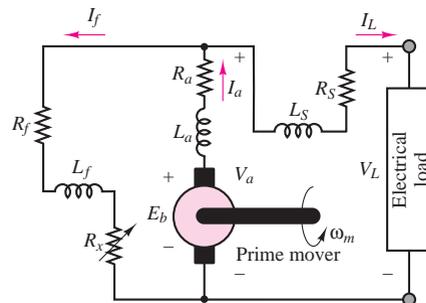
## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

A 1,000-kW, 1,000-V, 2,400 r/min separately excited DC generator has an armature circuit resistance of  $0.04 \Omega$ . The flux per pole is  $0.4 \text{ Wb}$ . Find (a) the induced voltage, (b) the machine constant, and (c) the torque developed at the rated conditions.

A 100-kW, 250-V shunt generator has a field circuit resistance of  $50 \Omega$  and an armature circuit resistance of  $0.05 \Omega$ . Find (a) the full-load line current flowing to the load, (b) the field current, (c) the armature current, and (d) the full-load generator voltage.

Answers: (a)  $E_b = 1,040 \text{ V}$ ; (b)  $k_a = 10.34$ ; (c)  $T = 4,138 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}$   
 (a)  $400 \text{ A}$ ; (b)  $5 \text{ A}$ ; (c)  $405 \text{ A}$ ; (d)  $270.25 \text{ V}$

Since the compound-connected generator contains both a shunt and a series field winding, it is the most general configuration and the most useful for developing a circuit model that is as general as possible. In the following discussion, we consider the so-called short-shunt, compound-connected generator, in which the flux produced by the series winding adds to that of the shunt winding. Figure 14.17 depicts the equivalent circuit for the compound generator; circuit models for the shunt generator and for the rarely used series generator can be obtained by removing the shunt or series field winding element, respectively. In the circuit of Figure 14.17, the generator armature has been replaced by a voltage source corresponding to the induced emf and a series resistance  $R_a$ , corresponding to the resistance of



**Figure 14.17** Compound generator circuit model

the armature windings. The equations describing the DC generator at steady state (i.e., with the inductors acting as short circuits) are as follows:

### DC Generator Steady-State Equations

$$E_b = k_a \phi \omega_m \quad \text{V} \quad (14.20)$$

$$T = \frac{P}{\omega_m} = \frac{E_b I_a}{\omega_m} = k_a \phi I_a \quad \text{N-m} \quad (14.21)$$

$$V_L = E_b - I_a R_a - I_S R_S \quad (14.22)$$

$$I_a = I_S + I_f \quad (14.23)$$

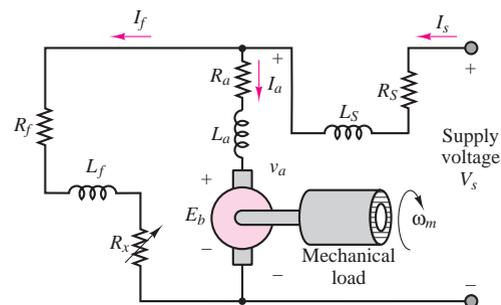


Note that in the circuit of Figure 14.17, the load and armature voltages are not equal, in general, because of the presence of a series field winding, represented by the resistor  $R_S$  and by the inductor  $L_S$ , where the subscript  $S$  stands for “series.” The expression for the armature emf is dependent on the air gap flux  $\phi$  to which the series and shunt windings in the compound generator both contribute, according to the expression

$$\phi = \phi_{sh} \pm \phi_S = \phi_{sh} \pm k_S I_a \quad (14.24)$$

## 14.4 DIRECT-CURRENT MOTORS

DC motors are widely used in applications requiring accurate speed control, for example, in servo systems. Having developed a circuit model and analysis methods for the DC generator, we can extend these results to DC motors, since these are in effect DC generators with the roles of input and output reversed. Once again, we analyze the motor by means of both its magnetization curve and a circuit model. It will be useful to begin our discussion by referring to the schematic diagram of a cumulatively compounded motor, as shown in Figure 14.18. The choice of the compound-connected motor is the most convenient, since its model can be used to represent either a series or a shunt motor with minor modifications.



**Figure 14.18** Equivalent circuit of a cumulatively compounded motor

The equations that govern the behavior of the DC motor follow and are similar to those used for the generator. Note that the only differences between these equations

and those that describe the DC generator appear in the last two equations in the group, where the source voltage is equal to the *sum* of the emf and the voltage drop across the series field resistance and armature resistance, and where the source current now equals the *sum* of the field shunt and armature series currents.

### DC Motor Steady-State Equations

$$E_b = k_a \phi \omega_m \quad (14.25)$$

$$T = k_a \phi I_a \quad (14.26)$$

$$V_s = E_b + I_a R_a + I_s R_s \quad (14.27)$$

$$I_s = I_f + I_a \quad (14.28)$$



Note that in these equations we have replaced the symbols  $V_L$  and  $I_L$ , used in the generator circuit model to represent the generator load voltage and current, with the symbols  $V_s$  and  $I_s$ , indicating the presence of an external source.

## Speed–Torque and Dynamic Characteristics of DC Motors

### The Shunt Motor

In a shunt motor (similar to the configuration of Figure 14.18, but with the series field short-circuited), the armature current is found by dividing the net voltage across the armature circuit (source voltage minus back emf) by the armature resistance:

$$I_a = \frac{V_s - k_a \phi \omega_m}{R_a} \quad (14.29)$$

An expression for the armature current may also be obtained from equation 14.26, as follows:

$$I_a = \frac{T}{k_a \phi} \quad (14.30)$$

It is then possible to relate the torque requirements to the speed of the motor by substituting equation 14.29 in equation 14.30:

$$\frac{T}{k_a \phi} = \frac{V_s - k_a \phi \omega_m}{R_a} \quad (14.31)$$

Equation 14.31 describes the steady-state torque–speed characteristic of the shunt motor. To understand this performance equation, we observe that if  $V_s$ ,  $k_a$ ,  $\phi$ , and  $R_a$  are fixed in equation 14.31 (the flux is essentially constant in the shunt motor for a fixed  $V_s$ ), then the speed of the motor is directly related to the armature current. Now consider the case where the load applied to the motor is suddenly increased, causing the speed of the motor to drop. As the speed decreases, the armature current increases, according to equation 14.29. The excess armature current causes the motor to develop additional torque, according to equation 14.30, until a new equilibrium is reached between the higher armature current and developed torque and the lower

speed of rotation. The equilibrium point is dictated by the balance of mechanical and electrical power, in accordance with the relation

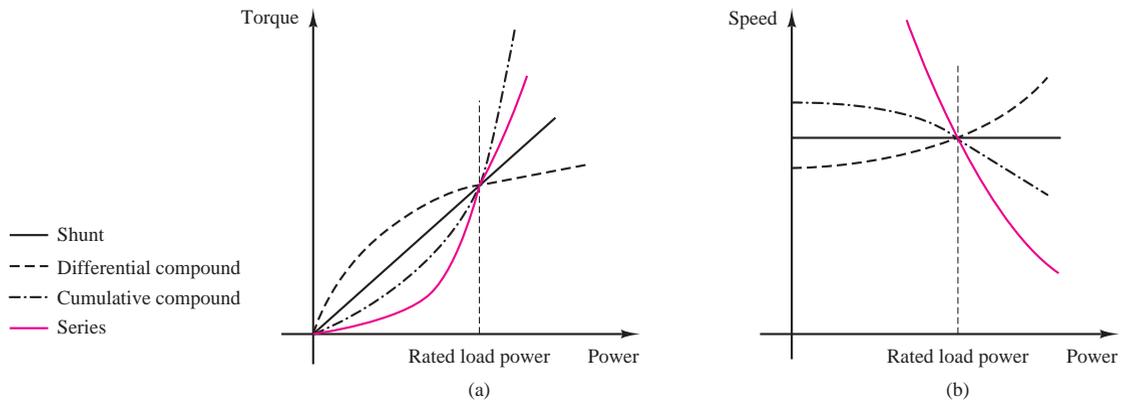
$$E_b I_a = T \omega_m \quad (14.32)$$

Thus, the shunt DC motor will adjust to variations in load by changing its speed to preserve this power balance. The torque–speed curves for the shunt motor may be obtained by rewriting the equation relating the speed to the armature current:



$$\omega_m = \frac{V_s - I_a R_a}{k_a \phi} = \frac{V_s}{k_a \phi} - \frac{R_a T}{(k_a \phi)^2} \quad \text{T-}\omega \text{ curve for shunt motor} \quad (14.33)$$

To interpret equation 14.33, one can start by considering the motor operating at rated speed and torque. As the load torque is reduced, the armature current will also decrease, causing the speed to increase in accordance with equation 14.33. The increase in speed depends on the extent of the voltage drop across the armature resistance  $I_a R_a$ . The change in speed will be on the same order of magnitude as this drop; it typically takes values around 10 percent. This corresponds to a relatively good speed regulation, which is an attractive feature of the shunt DC motor (recall the discussion of regulation in Section 14.1). Normalized torque and speed versus power curves for the shunt motor are shown in Figure 14.19. Note that, over a reasonably broad range of powers, up to rated value, the curve is relatively flat, indicating that the DC shunt motor acts as a reasonably constant-speed motor.



**Figure 14.19** DC motor operating characteristics

The dynamic behavior of the shunt motor is described by equations 14.15 through 14.18, with the additional relation

$$I_a(t) = I_s(t) - I_f(t) \quad (14.34)$$

### Compound Motors

It is interesting to compare the performance of the shunt motor with that of the compound-connected motor; the comparison is easily made if we recall that a series

field resistance appears in series with the armature resistance and that the flux is due to the contributions of both series and shunt fields. Thus, the speed equation becomes

$$\omega_m = \frac{V_s - I_a(R_a + R_S)}{k_a(\phi_{sh} \pm \phi_S)} \quad (14.35)$$

where

A plus in the denominator is for a cumulatively compounded motor.

A minus in the denominator is for a differentially compounded motor.

$\phi_{sh}$  is the flux set up by the shunt field winding, assuming that it is constant.

$\phi_S$  is the flux set up by the series field winding  $\phi_S = k_S I_a$ .

For the cumulatively compound motor, two effects are apparent: The flux is increased by the presence of a series component  $\phi_S$ , and the voltage drop due to  $I_a$  in the numerator is increased by an amount proportional to the resistance of the series field winding  $R_S$ . As a consequence, when the load to the motor is reduced, the numerator increases more dramatically than in the case of the shunt motor, because of the corresponding decrease in armature current, while at the same time the series flux decreases. Each of these effects causes the speed to increase; therefore, it stands to reason that the speed regulation of the compound-connected motor is poorer than that of the shunt motor. Normalized torque and speed versus power curves for the compound motor (both differential and cumulative connections) are shown in Figure 14.19.

The differential equation describing the behavior of a compound motor differs from that for the shunt motor in having additional terms due to the series field component:

$$\begin{aligned} V_s &= E_b(t) + I_a(t)R_a + L_a \frac{dI_a(t)}{dt} + I_s(t)R_S + L_S \frac{dI_s(t)}{dt} \\ &= V_a(t) + I_s(t)R_S + L_S \frac{dI_s(t)}{dt} \end{aligned} \quad (14.36)$$

The differential equation for the field circuit can be written as

$$V_a = I_f(t)(R_f + R_x) + L_f \frac{dI_f(t)}{dt} \quad (14.37)$$

We also have the following basic relations:

$$I_a(t) = I_s(t) - I_f(t) \quad (14.38)$$

and

$$E_b(t) = k_a \phi \omega_m(t) \quad \text{and} \quad T(t) = k_a \phi I_a(t) \quad (14.39)$$

### Series Motors

The series motor [see Figure 14.14(c)] behaves somewhat differently from the shunt and compound motors because the flux is established solely by virtue of the series current flowing through the armature. It is relatively simple to derive an expression for the emf and torque equations for the series motor if we approximate the relationship between flux and armature current by assuming that the motor operates in the linear region of its magnetization curve. Then we can write

$$\phi = k_S I_a \quad (14.40)$$

and the emf and torque equations become, respectively,

$$E_b = k_a \omega_m \phi = k_a \omega_m k_S I_a \quad (14.41)$$

$$T = k_a \phi I_a = k_a k_S I_a^2 \quad (14.42)$$

The circuit equation for the series motor becomes

$$V_s = E_b + I_a(R_a + R_S) = (k_a \omega_m k_S + R_T)I_a \quad (14.43)$$

where  $R_a$  is the armature resistance,  $R_S$  is the series field winding resistance, and  $R_T$  is the total series resistance. From equation 14.43, we can solve for  $I_a$  and substitute in the torque expression (equation 14.42) to obtain the following torque–speed relationship:



$$T = k_a k_S \frac{V_s^2}{(k_a \omega_m k_S + R_T)^2} \quad T\text{-}\omega \text{ curve for series DC motor} \quad (14.44)$$

which indicates the inverse squared relationship between torque and speed in the series motor. This expression describes a behavior that can, under certain conditions, become unstable. Since the speed increases when the load torque is reduced, one can readily see that if one were to disconnect the load altogether, the speed would tend to increase to dangerous values. To prevent excessive speeds, series motors are always mechanically coupled to the load. This feature is not necessarily a drawback, though, because series motors can develop very high torque at low speeds and therefore can serve very well for traction-type loads (e.g., conveyor belts or vehicle propulsion systems). Torque and speed versus power curves for the series motor are also shown in Figure 14.19.

The differential equation for the armature circuit of the motor can be given as

$$\begin{aligned} V_s &= I_a(t)(R_a + R_S) + L_a \frac{dI_a(t)}{dt} + L_S \frac{dI_a(t)}{dt} + E_b \\ &= I_a(t)(R_a + R_S) + L_a \frac{dI_a(t)}{dt} + L_S \frac{dI_a(t)}{dt} + k_a k_S I_a \omega_m \end{aligned} \quad (14.45)$$

### Permanent-Magnet DC Motors

Permanent-magnet (PM) DC motors have become increasingly common in applications requiring relatively low torques and efficient use of space. The construction of PM direct-current motors differs from that of the motors considered thus far in that the magnetic field of the stator is produced by suitably located poles made of magnetic materials. Thus, the basic principle of operation, including the idea of commutation, is unchanged with respect to the wound-stator DC motor. What changes is that there is no need to provide a field excitation, whether separately or by means of the self-excitation techniques discussed in the preceding sections. Therefore, the PM motor is intrinsically simpler than its wound-stator counterpart.

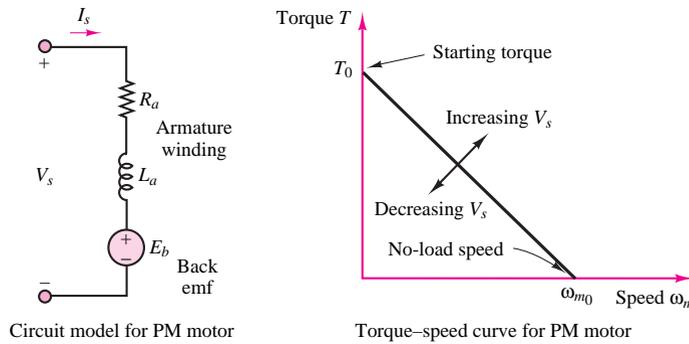
The equations that describe the operation of the PM motor follow. The torque produced is related to the armature current by a torque constant  $k_{PM}$ , which is determined by the geometry of the motor:

$$T = k_{T,PM} I_a \quad (14.46)$$

As in the conventional DC motor, the rotation of the rotor produces the usual counter or back emf  $E_b$ , which is linearly related to speed by a voltage constant  $k_{a,PM}$ :

$$E_b = k_{a,PM}\omega_m \quad (14.47)$$

The equivalent circuit of the PM motor is particularly simple, since we need not model the effects of a field winding. Figure 14.20 shows the circuit model and the torque–speed curve of a PM motor.



**Figure 14.20** Circuit model and torque–speed curve of PM motor

We can use the circuit model of Figure 14.20 to predict the torque–speed curve shown in the same figure as follows. From the circuit model, for a constant speed (and therefore constant current), we may consider the inductor a short circuit and write the equation

$$\begin{aligned} V_s &= I_a R_a + E_b = I_a R_a + k_{a,PM}\omega_m \\ &= \frac{T}{k_{T,PM}} R_a + k_{a,PM}\omega_m \end{aligned} \quad (14.48)$$

thus obtaining the equations relating speed and torque:

$$\omega_m = \frac{V_s}{k_{a,PM}} - \frac{TR_a}{k_{a,PM}k_{T,PM}} \quad \text{\textit{T-}\omega \text{ curve for PM DC motor}} \quad (14.49)$$

and

$$T = \frac{V_s}{R_a} k_{T,PM} - \frac{\omega_m}{R_a} k_{a,PM} k_{T,PM} \quad (14.50)$$

From these equations, one can extract the stall torque  $T_0$ , that is, the zero-speed torque

$$T_0 = \frac{V_s}{R_a} k_{T,PM} \quad (14.51)$$

and the no-load speed  $\omega_{m0}$ :

$$\omega_{m0} = \frac{V_s}{k_{a,PM}} \quad (14.52)$$

Under dynamic conditions, assuming an inertia plus viscous friction load, the torque produced by the motor can be expressed as

$$T = k_{T,PM}I_a(t) = T_{\text{load}}(t) + d\omega_m(t) + J \frac{d\omega_m(t)}{dt} \quad (14.53)$$



The differential equation for the armature circuit of the motor is therefore given by

$$\begin{aligned} V_s &= I_a(t)R_a + L_a \frac{dI_a(t)}{dt} + E_b \\ &= I_a(t)R_a + L_a \frac{dI_a(t)}{dt} + k_{a,\text{PM}}\omega_m(t) \end{aligned} \quad (14.54)$$

The fact that the air gap flux is constant in a permanent-magnet DC motor makes its characteristics somewhat different from those of the wound DC motor. A direct comparison of PM and wound-field DC motors reveals the following advantages and disadvantages of each configuration.



### Comparison of Wound-Field and PM DC Motors

1. PM motors are smaller and lighter than wound motors for a given power rating. Further, their efficiency is greater because there are no field winding losses.
2. An additional advantage of PM motors is their essentially linear speed–torque characteristic, which makes analysis (and control) much easier. Reversal of rotation is also accomplished easily, by reversing the polarity of the source.
3. A major disadvantage of PM motors is that they can become demagnetized by exposure to excessive magnetic fields, application of excessive voltage, or operation at excessively high or low temperatures.
4. A less obvious drawback of PM motors is that their performance is subject to greater variability from motor to motor than is the case for wound motors, because of variations in the magnetic materials.



In summary, four basic types of **DC motors** are commonly used. Their principal operating characteristics are summarized as follows, and their general torque and speed versus power characteristics are depicted in Figure 14.19, assuming motors with identical voltage, power, and speed ratings.

*Shunt wound motor:* Field is connected in parallel with the armature. With constant armature voltage and field excitation, the motor has good speed regulation (flat speed–torque characteristic).

*Compound wound motor:* Field winding has both series and shunt components. This motor offers better starting torque than the shunt motor, but worse speed regulation.

*Series-wound motor:* The field winding is in series with the armature. The motor has very high starting torque and poor speed regulation. It is useful for low-speed, high-torque applications.

*Permanent-magnet motor:* Field windings are replaced by permanent magnets. The motor has adequate starting torque, with speed regulation somewhat worse than that of the compound wound motor.

**EXAMPLE 14.6 DC Shunt Motor Analysis****Problem**

Find the speed and torque generated by a four-pole DC shunt motor.

**Solution**

**Known Quantities:** Motor ratings; circuit and magnetic parameters.

**Find:**  $\omega_m, T$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**

Motor ratings: 3 hp, 240 V, 120 r/min.

Circuit and magnetic parameters:  $I_s = 30$  A;  $I_f = 1.4$  A;  $R_a = 0.6$   $\Omega$ ;  $\phi = 20$  mWb;  $N = 1,000$ ;  $M = 4$  (see equation 14.10).

**Analysis:** We convert the power to SI units:

$$P_{\text{RATED}} = 3 \text{ hp} \times 746 \frac{\text{W}}{\text{hp}} = 2,238 \text{ W}$$

Next we compute the armature current as the difference between source and field current (equation 14.34):

$$I_a = I_s - I_f = 30 - 1.4 = 28.6 \text{ A}$$

The no-load armature voltage  $E_b$  is given by

$$E_b = V_s - I_a R_a = 240 - 28.6 \times 0.6 = 222.84 \text{ V}$$

and equation 14.10 can be used to determine the armature constant:

$$k_a = \frac{pN}{2\pi M} = \frac{4 \times 1,000}{2\pi \times 4} = 159.15 \frac{\text{V}\cdot\text{s}}{\text{Wb}\cdot\text{rad}}$$

Knowing the motor constant, we can calculate the speed, after equation 14.25:

$$\omega_m = \frac{E_a}{k_a \phi} = \frac{222.84 \text{ V}}{(159.15 \text{ V}\cdot\text{s}/\text{Wb}\cdot\text{rad})(0.02 \text{ Wb})} = 70 \frac{\text{rad}}{\text{s}}$$

Finally, the torque developed by the motor can be found as the ratio of the power to the angular velocity:

$$T = \frac{P}{\omega_m} = \frac{2,238 \text{ W}}{70 \text{ rad/s}} = 32 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}$$

**CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING**

A 200-V DC shunt motor draws 10 A at 1,800 r/min. The armature circuit resistance is 0.15  $\Omega$ , and the field winding resistance is 350  $\Omega$ . What is the torque developed by the motor?

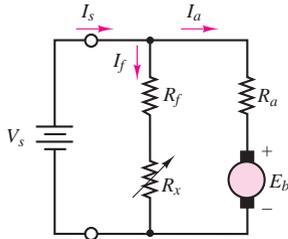
$$\text{Answer: } T = \frac{P}{\omega_m} = 9.93 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}$$



### EXAMPLE 14.7 DC Shunt Motor Analysis

#### Problem

Determine the following quantities for the DC shunt motor, connected as shown in the circuit of Figure 14.21:



**Figure 14.21** Shunt motor configuration

1. Field current required for full-load operation.
2. No-load speed.
3. Plot of the speed torque curve of the machine in the range from no-load torque to rated torque.
4. Power output at rated torque.

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Magnetization curve; rated current; rated speed; circuit parameters.

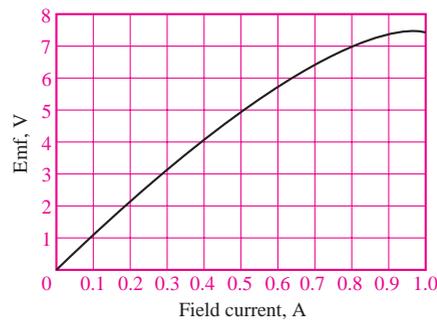
**Find:**  $I_f$ ;  $n_{\text{no-load}}$ ;  $T$ - $n$  curve,  $P_{\text{rated}}$ .

#### Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:

Figure 14.22 (magnetization curve)

Motor ratings: 8 A, 120 r/min

Circuit parameters:  $R_a = 0.2 \Omega$ ;  $V_s = 7.2 \text{ V}$ ;  $N = \text{number of coil turns in winding} = 200$



**Figure 14.22** Magnetization curve for a small DC motor

#### Analysis:

1. To find the field current, we must find the generated emf since  $R_f$  is not known. Writing KVL around the armature circuit, we obtain

$$V_s = E_b + I_a R_a$$

$$E_b = V_s - I_a R_a = 7.2 - 8(0.2) = 5.6 \text{ V}$$

Having found the back emf, we can find the field current from the magnetization curve. At  $E_b = 5.6 \text{ V}$ , we find that the field current and field resistance are

$$I_f = 0.6 \text{ A} \quad \text{and} \quad R_f = \frac{7.2}{0.6} = 12 \Omega$$

2. To obtain the no-load speed, we use the equations

$$E_b = k_a \phi \frac{2\pi n}{60} \quad T = k_a \phi I_a$$

leading to

$$V_s = I_a R_a + E_b = I_a R_a + k_a \phi \frac{2\pi}{60} n$$

or

$$n = \frac{V_s - I_a R_a}{k_a \phi (2\pi/60)}$$

At no load, and assuming no mechanical losses, the torque is zero, and we see that the current  $I_a$  must also be zero in the torque equation ( $T = k_a \phi I_a$ ). Thus, the motor speed at no load is given by

$$n_{\text{no-load}} = \frac{V_s}{k_a \phi (2\pi/60)}$$

We can obtain an expression for  $k_a \phi$ , knowing that, at full load,

$$E_b = 5.6 \text{ V} = k_a \phi \frac{2\pi n}{60}$$

so that, for constant field excitation,

$$k_a \phi = E_b \left( \frac{60}{2\pi n} \right) = 5.6 \left[ \frac{60}{2\pi (120)} \right] = 0.44563 \frac{\text{V}\cdot\text{s}}{\text{rad}}$$

Finally, we may solve for the no-load speed.

$$\begin{aligned} n_{\text{no-load}} &= \frac{V_s}{k_a \phi (2\pi/60)} = \frac{7.2}{(0.44563)(2\pi/60)} \\ &= 154.3 \text{ r/min} \end{aligned}$$

3. The torque at rated speed and load may be found as follows:

$$T_{\text{rated load}} = k_a \phi I_a = (0.44563)(8) = 3.565 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}$$

Now we have the two points necessary to construct the torque–speed curve for this motor, which is shown in Figure 14.23.

4. The power is related to the torque by the frequency of the shaft:

$$P_{\text{rated}} = T\omega_m = (3.565) \left( \frac{120}{60} \right) (2\pi) = 44.8 \text{ W}$$

or, equivalently,

$$P = 44.8 \text{ W} \times \frac{1}{746} \frac{\text{hp}}{\text{W}} = 0.06 \text{ hp}$$

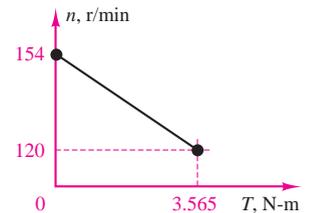


Figure 14.23

## EXAMPLE 14.8 DC Series Motor Analysis



### Problem

Determine the torque developed by a DC series motor when the current supplied to the motor is 60 A.

**Solution**

**Known Quantities:** Motor ratings; operating conditions.

**Find:**  $T_{60}$ , torque delivered at 60-A series current.

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**

Motor ratings: 10 hp, 115 V, full-load speed = 1,800 r/min

Operating conditions: motor draws 40 A

**Assumptions:** The motor operates in the linear region of the magnetization curve.

**Analysis:** Within the linear region of operation, the flux per pole is directly proportional to the current in the field winding. That is,

$$\phi = k_S I_a$$

The full-load speed is

$$n = 1,800 \text{ r/min}$$

or

$$\omega_m = \frac{2\pi n}{60} = 60\pi \text{ rad/s}$$

Rated output power is

$$P_{\text{rated}} = 10 \text{ hp} \times 746 \text{ W/hp} = 7,460 \text{ W}$$

and full-load torque is

$$T_{40\text{A}} = \frac{P_{\text{rated}}}{\omega_m} = \frac{7,460}{60\pi} = 39.58 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}$$

Thus, the machine constant may be computed from the torque equation for the series motor:

$$T = k_a k_S I_a^2 = K I_a^2$$

At full load,

$$K = k_a k_S = \frac{39.58 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}}{40^2 \text{ A}^2} = 0.0247 \frac{\text{N}\cdot\text{m}}{\text{A}^2}$$

and we can compute the torque developed for a 60-A supply current to be

$$T_{60\text{A}} = K I_a^2 = 0.0247 \times 60^2 = 88.92 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}$$

**CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING**

A series motor draws a current of 25 A and develops a torque of 100 N·m. Find (a) the torque when the current rises to 30 A if the field is unsaturated and (b) the torque when the current rises to 30 A and the increase in current produces a 10 percent increase in flux.

**EXAMPLE 14.9 Dynamic Response of PM DC Motor****Problem**

Develop a set of differential equations and a transfer function describing the dynamic response of the motor angular velocity of a PM DC motor connected to a mechanical load.

**Solution**

**Known Quantities:** PM DC motor circuit model; mechanical load model.

**Find:** Differential equations and transfer functions of electromechanical system.

**Analysis:** The dynamic response of the electromechanical system can be determined by applying KVL to the electric circuit (Figure 14.20) and Newton's second law to the mechanical system. These equations will be coupled to one another, as you shall see, because of the nature of the motor back emf and torque equations.

Applying KVL and equation 14.47 to the electric circuit, we obtain

$$V_L(t) - R_a I_a(t) - L_a \frac{dI_a(t)}{dt} - E_b(t) = 0$$

or

$$L_a \frac{dI_a(t)}{dt} + R_a I_a(t) + K_{a,PM} \omega_m(t) = V_L(t)$$

Applying Newton's second law and equation 14.46 to the load inertia, we obtain

$$J \frac{d\omega(t)}{dt} = T(t) - T_{load}(t) - b\omega$$

or

$$-K_{T,PM} I_a(t) + J \frac{d\omega(t)}{dt} + b\omega(t) = T_{load}(t)$$

These two differential equations are coupled because the first depends on  $\omega_m$  and the second on  $I_a$ . Thus, they need to be solved simultaneously.

To derive the transfer function, we use the Laplace transform on the two equations to obtain

$$(sL_a + R_a)I_a(s) + K_{a,PM}\Omega(s) = V_L(s)$$

$$-K_{T,PM}I_a(s) + (sJ + b)\Omega(s) = T_{load}(s)$$

We can write the above equations in matrix form and resort to Cramer's rule to solve for  $\Omega_m(s)$  as a function of  $V_L(s)$  and  $T_{load}(s)$ .

$$\begin{bmatrix} sL_a + R_a & K_{a,PM} \\ -K_{T,PM} & sJ + b \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} I_a(s) \\ \Omega_m(s) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} V_L(s) \\ T_{load}(s) \end{bmatrix}$$

with solution

$$\Omega_m(s) = \frac{\det \begin{bmatrix} sL_a + R_a & V_L(s) \\ K_{T,PM} & T_{load}(s) \end{bmatrix}}{\det \begin{bmatrix} sL_a + R_a & K_{a,PM} \\ -K_{T,PM} & sJ + b \end{bmatrix}}$$

or

$$\Omega_m(s) = \frac{sL_a + R_a}{(sL_a + R_a)(sJ + b) + K_{a,PM}K_{T,PM}} T_{load}(s) + \frac{K_{T,PM}}{(sL_a + R_a)(sJ + b) + K_{a,PM}K_{T,PM}} V_L(s)$$

**Comments:** Note that the dynamic response of the motor angular velocity depends on both the input voltage and the load torque. This problem is explored further in the homework problems.

## DC Drives and DC Motor Speed Control



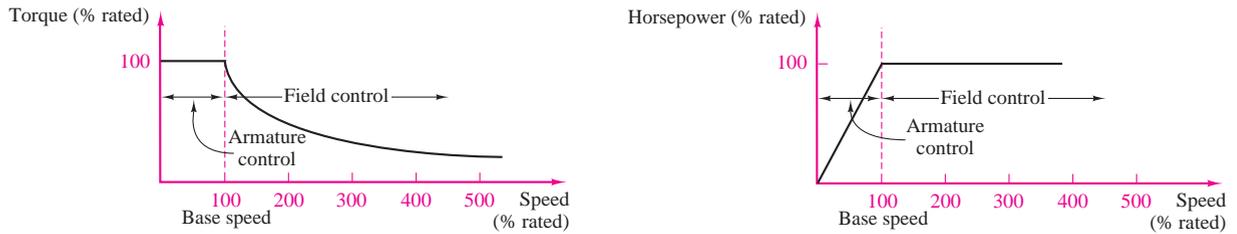
The advances made in power semiconductors have made it possible to realize low-cost **speed control systems for DC motors**. In this section we describe some of the considerations that are behind the choice of a specific drive type, and some of the loads that are likely to be encountered.

*Constant-torque loads* are quite common and are characterized by a need for constant torque over the entire speed range. This need is usually due to friction; the load will demand increasing horsepower at higher speeds, since power is the product of speed and torque. Thus, the power required will increase linearly with speed. This type of loading is characteristic of conveyors, extruders, and surface winders.

Another type of load is one that requires *constant horsepower* over the speed range of the motor. Since torque is inversely proportional to speed with constant horsepower, this type of load will require higher torque at low speeds. Examples of constant-horsepower loads are machine tool spindles (e.g., lathes). This type of application requires very high starting torques.

*Variable-torque loads* are also common. In this case, the load torque is related to the speed in some fashion, either linearly or geometrically. For some loads, for example, torque is proportional to the speed (and thus horsepower is proportional to speed squared); examples of loads of this type are positive displacement pumps. More common than the linear relationship is the squared-speed dependence of inertial loads such as centrifugal pumps, some fans, and all loads in which a flywheel is used for energy storage.

To select the appropriate motor and adjustable speed drive for a given application, we need to examine how each method for speed adjustment operates on a DC motor. Armature voltage control serves to smoothly adjust speed from 0 to 100 percent of the nameplate rated value (i.e., base speed), provided that the field excitation is also equal to the rated value. Within this range, it is possible to fully control motor speed for a constant-torque load, thus providing a linear increase in horsepower, as shown in Figure 14.24. Field weakening allows for increases in speed of up to several times the base speed; however, field control changes the characteristics of the DC motor from constant torque to constant horsepower, and therefore the torque output drops with speed, as shown in Figure 14.24. Operation above base speed requires special provision for field control, in addition to the circuitry required for armature voltage control, and is therefore more complex and costly.



**Figure 14.24** Speed control in DC motors



## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Describe the cause-and-effect behavior of the speed control method of changing armature voltage for a shunt DC motor.

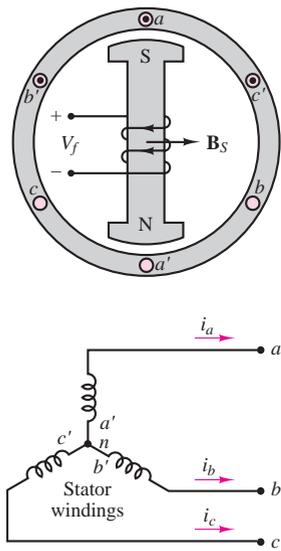
**Answer:** Increasing the armature voltage leads to an increase in armature current. Consequently, the motor torque increases until it exceeds the load torque, causing the speed to increase as well. The corresponding increase in back emf, however, causes the armature current to drop and the motor torque to decrease until a balance condition is reached between motor and load torque and the motor runs at constant speed.

## 14.5 AC MACHINES

From the previous sections, it should be apparent that it is possible to obtain a wide range of performance characteristics from DC machines, as both motors and generators. A logical question at this point should be, Would it not be more convenient in some cases to take advantage of the single- or multiphase AC power that is available virtually everywhere than to expend energy and use additional hardware to rectify and regulate the DC supplies required by direct-current motors? The answer to this very obvious question is certainly a resounding yes. In fact, the AC induction motor is the workhorse of many industrial applications, and synchronous generators are used almost exclusively for the generation of electric power worldwide. Thus, it is appropriate to devote a significant portion of this chapter to the study of AC machines and of induction motors in particular. The objective of this section is to explain the basic operation of both synchronous and induction machines and to outline their performance characteristics. In doing so, we also point out the relative advantages and disadvantages of these machines in comparison with direct-current machines. The motor “movies” available on the book website may help you visualize the operation of AC machines.

### Rotating Magnetic Fields

As mentioned in Section 14.1, the fundamental principle of operation of AC machines is the generation of a rotating magnetic field, which causes the rotor to turn at a speed that depends on the speed of rotation of the magnetic field. We now explain how a rotating magnetic field can be generated in the stator and air gap of an AC machine by means of alternating currents.



**Figure 14.25** Two-pole three-phase stator

Consider the stator shown in Figure 14.25, which supports windings  $a$ - $a'$ ,  $b$ - $b'$  and  $c$ - $c'$ . The coils are geometrically spaced  $120^\circ$  apart, and a three-phase voltage is applied to the coils. As you may recall from the discussion of AC power in Chapter 7, the currents generated by a three-phase source are also spaced by  $120^\circ$ , as illustrated in Figure 14.26. The phase voltages referenced to the neutral terminal would then be given by the expressions

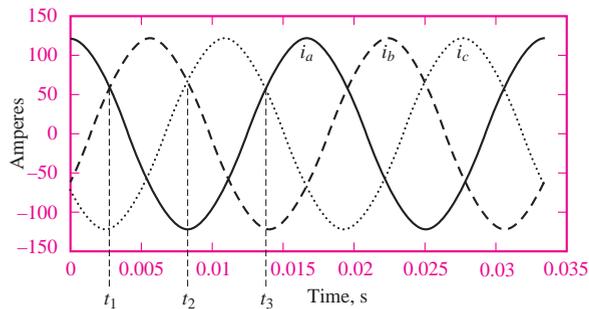
$$v_a = A \cos(\omega_e t)$$

$$v_b = A \cos\left(\omega_e t - \frac{2\pi}{3}\right)$$

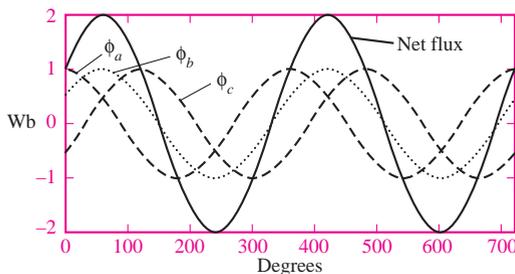
$$v_c = A \cos\left(\omega_e t + \frac{2\pi}{3}\right)$$

where  $\omega_e$  is the frequency of the AC supply, or line frequency. The coils in each winding are arranged in such a way that the flux distribution generated by any one winding is approximately sinusoidal. Such a flux distribution may be obtained by appropriately arranging groups of coils for each winding over the stator surface. Since the coils are spaced  $120^\circ$  apart, the flux distribution resulting from the sum of the contributions of the three windings is the sum of the fluxes due to the separate windings, as shown in Figure 14.27. Thus, the flux in a three-phase machine rotates in space according to the vector diagram of Figure 14.28, and the flux is constant in amplitude. A stationary observer on the machine's stator would see a sinusoidally varying flux distribution, as shown in Figure 14.27.

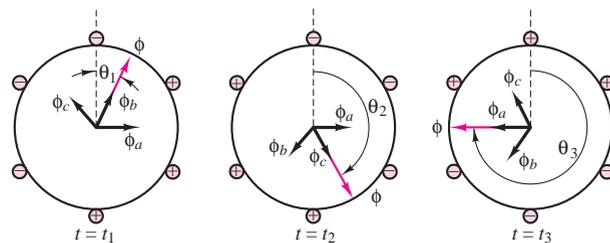
Since the resultant flux of Figure 14.27 is generated by the currents of Figure 14.26, the speed of rotation of the flux must be related to the frequency of the sinusoidal phase currents. In the case of the stator of Figure 14.25, the number of magnetic poles



**Figure 14.26** Three-phase stator winding currents



**Figure 14.27** Flux distribution in a three-phase stator winding as a function of angle of rotation



**Figure 14.28** Rotating flux in a three-phase machine

resulting from the winding configuration is 2; however, it is also possible to configure the windings so that they have more poles. For example, Figure 14.29 depicts a simplified view of a four-pole stator.

In general, the speed of the rotating magnetic field is determined by the frequency of the excitation current  $f$  and by the number of poles present in the stator  $p$  according to

$$n_s = \frac{120f}{p} \text{ r/min} \quad \text{Synchronous speed}$$

or

$$\omega_s = \frac{2\pi n_s}{60} = \frac{2\pi \times 2f}{p} \quad \text{Synchronous speed}$$

(14.55)

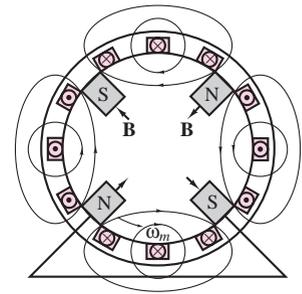


Figure 14.29 Four-pole stator

where  $n_s$  (or  $\omega_s$ ) is usually called the **synchronous speed**.

Now, the structure of the windings in the preceding discussion is the same whether the AC machine is a motor or a generator; the distinction between the two depends on the direction of power flow. In a generator, the electromagnetic torque is a reaction torque that opposes rotation of the machine; this is the torque against which the prime mover does work. In a motor, on the other hand, the rotational (motional) voltage generated in the armature opposes the applied voltage; this voltage is the counter (or back) emf. Thus, the description of the rotating magnetic field given thus far applies to both motor and generator action in AC machines.

As described a few paragraphs earlier, the stator magnetic field rotates in an AC machine, and therefore the rotor cannot “catch up” with the stator field and is in constant pursuit of it. The speed of rotation of the rotor will therefore depend on the number of magnetic poles present in the stator and in the rotor. The magnitude of the torque produced in the machine is a function of the angle  $\gamma$  between the stator and rotor magnetic fields; precise expressions for this torque depend on how the magnetic fields are generated and will be given separately for the two cases of synchronous and induction machines. What is common to all rotating machines is that the number of stator and rotor poles must be identical if any torque is to be generated. Further, the number of poles must be even, since for each north pole there must be a corresponding south pole.

One important desired feature in an electric machine is an ability to generate a constant electromagnetic torque. With a constant-torque machine, one can avoid torque pulsations that could lead to undesired mechanical vibration in the motor itself and in other mechanical components attached to the motor (e.g., mechanical loads, such as spindles or belt drives). A constant torque may not always be achieved, although it will be shown that it is possible to accomplish this goal when the excitation currents are multiphase. A general rule of thumb, in this respect, is that it is desirable, insofar as possible, to produce a constant flux per pole.

## 14.6 THE ALTERNATOR (SYNCHRONOUS GENERATOR)

One of the most common AC machines is the **synchronous generator**, or **alternator**. In this machine, the field winding is on the rotor, and the connection is made by means

of brushes, in an arrangement similar to that of the DC machines studied earlier. The rotor field is obtained by means of a direct current provided to the rotor winding, or by permanent magnets. The rotor is then connected to a mechanical source of power and rotates at a speed that we will consider constant to simplify the analysis.

Figure 14.30 depicts a two-pole three-phase synchronous machine. Figure 14.31 depicts a four-pole three-phase alternator, in which the rotor poles are generated by means of a wound salient pole configuration and the stator poles are the result of windings embedded in the stator according to the simplified arrangement shown in the figure, where each of the pairs  $a/a'$ ,  $b/b'$ , and so on contributes to the generation of the magnetic poles, as follows. The group  $a/a'$ ,  $b/b'$ ,  $c/c'$  produces a sinusoidally distributed flux (see Figure 14.27) corresponding to one of the pole pairs, while the group  $-a/-a'$ ,  $-b/-b'$ ,  $-c/-c'$  contributes the other pole pair. The connections of the coils making up the windings are also shown in Figure 14.31. Note that the coils form a wye connection (see Chapter 7). The resulting flux distribution is such that the flux completes two sinusoidal cycles around the circumference of the air gap. Note also that each arm of the three-phase wye connection has been divided into two coils, wound in different locations, according to the schematic stator diagram of

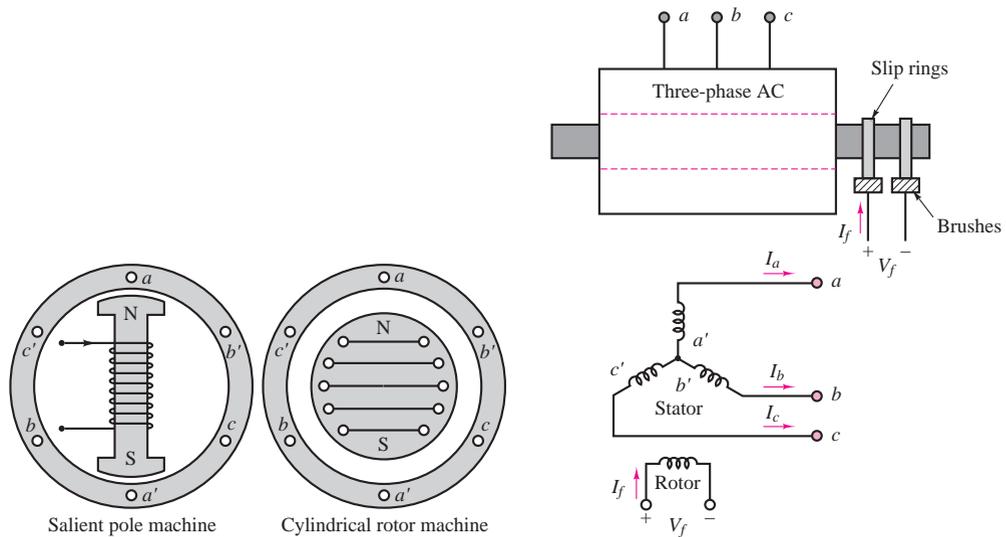


Figure 14.30 Two-pole synchronous machine

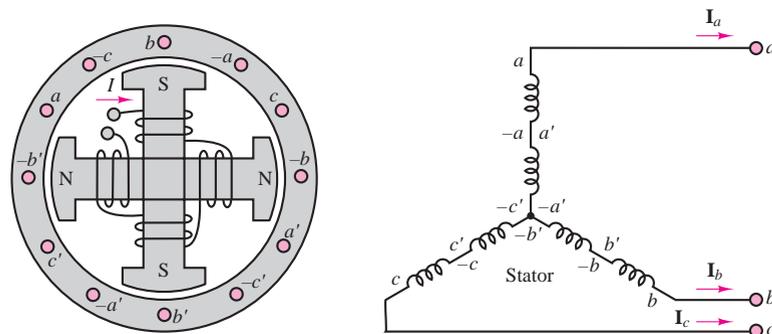


Figure 14.31 Four-pole three-phase alternator

Figure 14.31. One could then envision analogous configurations with greater numbers of poles, obtained in the same fashion, that is, by dividing each arm of a wye connection into more windings.

The arrangement shown in Figure 14.31 requires that a further distinction be made between mechanical degrees  $\theta_m$  and electrical degrees  $\theta_e$ . In the four-pole alternator, the flux will see two complete cycles during one rotation of the rotor, and therefore the voltage that is generated in the coils will also oscillate at twice the frequency of rotation. In general, the electrical degrees (or radians) are related to the mechanical degrees by the expression

$$\theta_e = \frac{p}{2}\theta_m \quad (14.56)$$

where  $p$  is the number of poles. In effect, the voltage across a coil of the machine goes through one cycle every time a pair of poles moves past the coil. Thus, the frequency of the voltage generated by a synchronous generator is

$$f = \frac{p}{2} \frac{n}{60} \text{ Hz} \quad (14.57)$$

where  $n$  is the mechanical speed in revolutions per minute. Alternatively, if the speed is expressed in radians per second, we have

$$\omega_e = \frac{p}{2}\omega_m \quad (14.58)$$

where  $\omega_m$  is the mechanical speed of rotation in radians per second. The number of poles employed in a synchronous generator is then determined by two factors: the frequency desired of the generated voltage (for example, 60 Hz, if the generator is used to produce AC power) and the speed of rotation of the prime mover. In the latter respect, there is a significant difference, for example, between the speed of rotation of a steam turbine generator and that of a hydroelectric generator, the former being much greater.

A common application of the alternator is seen in automotive battery-charging systems, in which, however, the generated AC voltage is rectified to provide the DC required for charging the battery. Figure 14.32 depicts an automotive alternator.



**Figure 14.32** Automotive alternator (Courtesy: Delphi Automotive Systems.)

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

A synchronous generator has a multipolar construction that permits changing its synchronous speed. If only two poles are energized, at 50 Hz, the speed is 3,000 r/min. If the number of poles is progressively increased to 4, 6, 8, 10, and 12, find the synchronous speed for each configuration. Draw the complete equivalent circuit of a synchronous generator and its phasor diagram.

Answer: 1,500, 1,000, 750, 600, and 500 r/min



## 14.7 THE SYNCHRONOUS MOTOR

Synchronous motors are virtually identical to synchronous generators with regard to their construction, except for an additional winding for helping start the motor and minimizing motor speed over- and undershoots. The principle of operation is, of

course, the opposite: An AC excitation provided to the armature generates a magnetic field in the air gap between stator and rotor, resulting in a mechanical torque. To generate the rotor magnetic field, some direct current must be provided to the field windings; this is often accomplished by means of an **exciter**, which consists of a small DC generator propelled by the motor itself, and therefore mechanically connected to it. It was mentioned earlier that to obtain a constant torque in an electric motor, it is necessary to keep the rotor and stator magnetic fields constant relative to each other. This means that the electromagnetically rotating field in the stator and the mechanically rotating rotor field should be aligned at all times. The only condition for which this is possible occurs if both fields are rotating at the synchronous speed  $n_s = 120f/p$ . Thus, synchronous motors are by their very nature constant-speed motors.

For a non-salient pole (cylindrical rotor) synchronous machine, the torque can be written in terms of the stator alternating current  $i_S(t)$  and the rotor direct current,  $I_f$ :



$$T = ki_S(t)I_f \sin(\gamma) \quad \text{Synchronous motor torque} \quad (14.59)$$

where  $\gamma$  is the angle between the stator and rotor fields (see Figure 14.7). Let the angular speed of rotation be

$$\omega_m = \frac{d\theta_m}{dt} \quad \text{rad/s} \quad (14.60)$$

where  $\omega_m = 2\pi n/60$ , and let  $\omega_e$  be the electrical frequency of  $i_S(t)$ , where  $i_S(t) = \sqrt{2}I_S \sin(\omega_e t)$ . Then the torque may be expressed as

$$T = k\sqrt{2}I_S \sin(\omega_e t) I_f \sin(\gamma) \quad (14.61)$$

where  $k$  is a machine constant,  $I_S$  is the rms value of the stator current, and  $I_f$  is the rotor direct current. Now, the rotor angle  $\gamma$  can be expressed as a function of time by

$$\gamma = \gamma_0 + \omega_m t \quad (14.62)$$

where  $\gamma_0$  is the angular position of the rotor at  $t = 0$ ; the torque expression then becomes

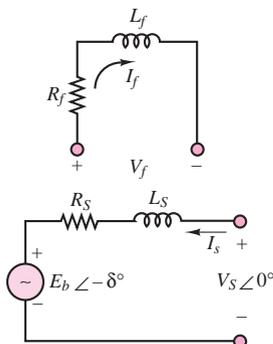
$$\begin{aligned} T &= k\sqrt{2}I_S I_f \sin(\omega_e t) \sin(\omega_m t + \gamma_0) \\ &= k\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}I_S I_f \cos[(\omega_m - \omega_e)t - \gamma_0] - \cos[(\omega_m + \omega_e)t + \gamma_0] \end{aligned} \quad (14.63)$$

It is a straightforward matter to show that the average value of this torque, denoted by  $\langle T \rangle$ , is different from zero only if  $\omega_m = \pm\omega_e$ , that is, only if the motor is turning at the synchronous speed. The resulting average torque is then given by

$$\langle T \rangle = k\sqrt{2}I_S I_f \cos(\gamma_0) \quad (14.64)$$

Note that equation 14.63 corresponds to the sum of an average torque plus a fluctuating component at twice the original electrical (or mechanical) frequency. The fluctuating component results because, in the foregoing derivation, a single-phase current was assumed. The use of multiphase currents reduces the torque fluctuation to zero and permits the generation of a constant torque.

A per-phase circuit model describing the synchronous motor is shown in Figure 14.33, where the rotor circuit is represented by a field winding equivalent



**Figure 14.33** Per-phase circuit model

resistance and inductance,  $R_f$  and  $L_f$ , respectively, and the stator circuit is represented by equivalent stator winding inductance and resistance,  $L_S$  and  $R_S$ , respectively, and by the induced emf  $E_b$ . From the exact equivalent circuit as given in Figure 14.33, we have

$$V_S = E_b + I_S(R_S + jX_S) \tag{14.65}$$

where  $X_S$  is known as the *synchronous reactance* and includes magnetizing reactance.

The motor power is

$$P_{out} = \omega_s T = |V_S||I_S| \cos(\theta) \tag{14.66}$$

for each phase, where  $T$  is the developed torque and  $\theta$  is the angle between the stator voltage and current,  $V_S$  and  $I_S$ .

When the phase winding resistance  $R_S$  is neglected, the circuit model of a synchronous machine can be redrawn as shown in Figure 14.34. The input power (per phase) is equal to the output power in this circuit, since no power is dissipated in the circuit; that is,

$$P_\phi = P_{in} = P_{out} = |V_S||I_S| \cos(\theta) \tag{14.67}$$

Also by inspection of Figure 14.34, we have

$$d = |E_b| \sin(\delta) = |I_S|X_S \cos(\theta) \tag{14.68}$$

Then

$$|E_b||V_S| \sin(\delta) = |V_S||I_S|X_S \cos(\theta) = X_S P_\phi \tag{14.69}$$

The total power of a three-phase synchronous machine is then given by

$$P = 3 \frac{|V_S||E_b|}{X_S} \sin(\delta) \tag{14.70}$$

Because of the dependence of the power upon the angle  $\delta$ , this angle has come to be called the **power angle**. If  $\delta$  is zero, the synchronous machine cannot develop useful power. The developed power has its maximum value at  $\delta$  equal to  $90^\circ$ . If we assume that  $|E_b|$  and  $|V_S|$  are constant, we can draw the curve shown in Figure 14.35, relating the power and power angle in a synchronous machine.

A synchronous generator is usually operated at a power angle varying from  $15^\circ$  to  $25^\circ$ . For synchronous motors and small loads,  $\delta$  is close to  $0^\circ$ , and the motor torque is just sufficient to overcome its own windage and friction losses; as the load increases, the rotor field falls further out of phase with the stator field (although the two are still rotating at the same speed), until  $\delta$  reaches a maximum at  $90^\circ$ . If the load torque exceeds the maximum torque, which is produced for  $\delta = 90^\circ$ , the motor is forced to slow down below synchronous speed. This condition is undesirable, and provisions are usually made to shut down the motor automatically whenever synchronism is lost. The maximum torque is called the **pull-out torque** and is an important measure of the performance of the synchronous motor.

Accounting for each of the phases, the total torque is given by

$$T = \frac{m}{\omega_s} |V_S||I_S| \cos(\theta) \tag{14.71}$$

where  $m$  is the number of phases. From Figure 14.34, we have  $E_b \sin(\delta) = X_S I_S \cos(\theta)$ . Therefore, for a three-phase machine, the developed torque is

$$T = \frac{P}{\omega_s} = \frac{3}{\omega_s} \frac{|V_S||E_b|}{X_S} \sin(\delta) \quad \text{N-m} \tag{14.72}$$

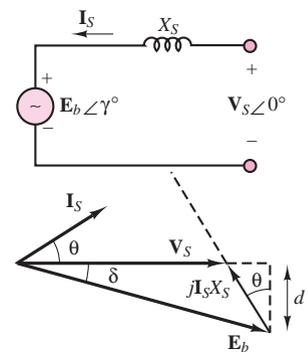


Figure 14.34

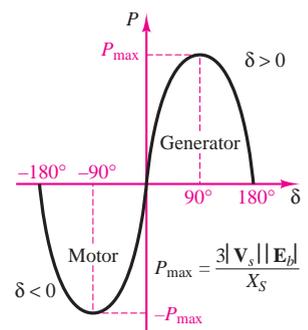


Figure 14.35 Power versus power angle for a synchronous machine



Typically, analysis of multiphase motors is performed on a per-phase basis, as illustrated in Examples 14.10 and 14.11.



### EXAMPLE 14.10 Synchronous Motor Analysis

#### Problem

Find the kilovoltampere rating, the induced voltage, and the power angle of the rotor for a fully loaded synchronous motor.

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Motor ratings; motor synchronous impedance.

**Find:**  $S$ ;  $E_b$ ;  $\delta$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:** Motor ratings: 460 V; three-phase; power factor = 0.707 lagging; full-load stator current: 12.5 A;  $Z_S = 1 + j12 \Omega$ .

**Assumptions:** Use per-phase analysis.

**Analysis:** The circuit model for the motor is shown in Figure 14.36. The per-phase current in the wye-connected stator winding is

$$I_S = |I_S| = 12.5 \text{ A}$$

The per-phase voltage is

$$V_S = |V_S| = \frac{460 \text{ V}}{\sqrt{3}} = 265.58 \text{ V}$$

The kilovoltampere rating of the motor is expressed in terms of the apparent power  $S$  (see Chapter 7):

$$S = 3V_S I_S = 3 \times 265.58 \text{ V} \times 12.5 \text{ A} = 9,959 \text{ W}$$

From the equivalent circuit, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{E}_b &= \mathbf{V}_S - \mathbf{I}_S(R_S + jX_S) \\ &= 265.58 - (12.5 \angle -45^\circ \text{ A}) \times (1 + j12 \Omega) = 179.31 \angle -32.83^\circ \text{ V} \end{aligned}$$

The induced line voltage is defined to be

$$V_{\text{line}} = \sqrt{3}E_b = \sqrt{3} \times 179.31 \text{ V} = 310.57 \text{ V}$$

From the expression for  $\mathbf{E}_b$ , we can find the power angle:

$$\delta = -32.83^\circ$$

**Comments:** The minus sign indicates that the machine is in the motor mode.

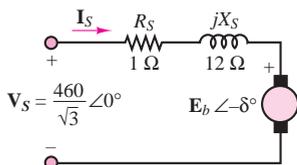


Figure 14.36



### EXAMPLE 14.11 Synchronous Motor Analysis

#### Problem

Find the stator current, the line current, and the induced voltage for a synchronous motor.

### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Motor ratings; motor synchronous impedance.

**Find:**  $I_S$ ;  $I_{\text{line}}$ ;  $E_b$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:** Motor ratings: 208 V; three-phase; 45 kVA; 60 Hz; power factor = 0.8 leading;  $Z_S = 0 + j2.5 \Omega$ . Friction and windage losses: 1.5 kW; core losses: 1.0 kW; load power: 15 hp.

**Assumptions:** Use per-phase analysis.

**Analysis:** The output power of the motor is 15 hp; that is,

$$P_{\text{out}} = 15 \text{ hp} \times 0.746 \text{ kW/hp} = 11.19 \text{ kW}$$

The electric power supplied to the machine is

$$\begin{aligned} P_{\text{in}} &= P_{\text{out}} + P_{\text{mech}} + P_{\text{core loss}} + P_{\text{elec loss}} \\ &= 11.19 \text{ kW} + 1.5 \text{ kW} + 1.0 \text{ kW} + 0 \text{ kW} = 13.69 \text{ kW} \end{aligned}$$

As discussed in Chapter 7, the resulting line current is

$$I_{\text{line}} = \frac{P_{\text{in}}}{\sqrt{3}V \cos \theta} = \frac{13,690 \text{ W}}{\sqrt{3} \times 208 \text{ V} \times 0.8} = 47.5 \text{ A}$$

Because of the delta connection, the armature current is

$$I_S = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} I_{\text{line}} = 27.4 \angle 36.87^\circ \text{ A}$$

The emf may be found from the equivalent circuit and KVL:

$$\begin{aligned} E_b &= V_S - jX_S I_S \\ &= 208 \angle 0^\circ - (j2.5 \Omega)(27.4 \angle 36.87^\circ \text{ A}) = 255 \angle -12.4^\circ \text{ V} \end{aligned}$$

The power angle is

$$\delta = -12.4^\circ$$

### CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Find an expression for the maximum pull-out torque of the synchronous motor.

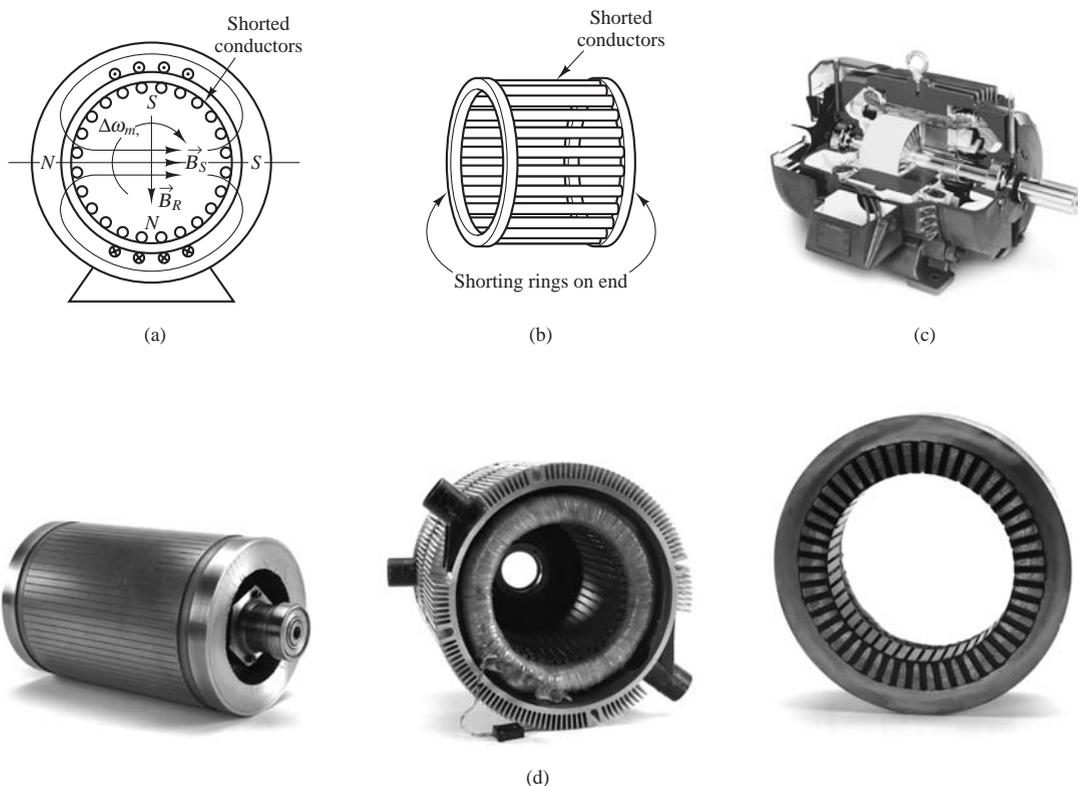
$$\text{Answer: } T_{\text{max}} = \frac{3V_S E_b}{\omega_m X_S}$$

Synchronous motors are not very commonly used in practice, for various reasons, among which are that they are essentially required to operate at constant speed (unless a variable-frequency AC supply is available) and that they are not self-starting. Further, separate AC and DC supplies are required. It will be seen shortly that the induction motor overcomes most of these drawbacks.

## 14.8 THE INDUCTION MOTOR

The induction motor is the most widely used electric machine, because of its relative simplicity of construction. The stator winding of an induction machine is similar to that of a synchronous machine; thus, the description of the three-phase winding of Figure 14.25 also applies to induction machines. The primary advantage of the induction machine, which is almost exclusively used as a motor (its performance as a generator is not very good), is that no separate excitation is required for the rotor. The rotor typically consists of one of two arrangements: a **squirrel cage** or a **wound rotor**. The former contains conducting bars short-circuited at the end and embedded within it; the latter consists of a multiphase winding similar to that used for the stator, but electrically short-circuited.

In either case, the induction motor operates by virtue of currents induced from the stator field in the rotor. In this respect, its operation is similar to that of a transformer, in that currents in the stator (which acts as a primary coil) induce currents in the rotor (acting as a secondary coil). In most induction motors, no external electrical connection is required for the rotor, thus permitting a simple, rugged construction without the need for slip rings or brushes. Unlike the synchronous motor, the induction motor operates not at synchronous speed, but at a somewhat lower speed, which is dependent on the load. Figure 14.37 illustrates the appearance



**Figure 14.37** (a) Squirrel cage induction motor; (b) conductors in rotor; (c) photograph of squirrel cage induction motor; (d) views of Smokin' Buckeye motor: rotor, stator, and cross section of stator (Photos Courtesy: David H. Koether Photography.)

of a squirrel cage induction motor. The following discussion focuses mainly on this very common configuration.

By now you are acquainted with the notion of a rotating stator magnetic field. Imagine now that a squirrel cage rotor is inserted in a stator in which such a rotating magnetic field is present. The stator field will induce voltages in the cage conductors, and if the stator field is generated by a three-phase source, the resulting rotor currents—which circulate in the bars of the squirrel cage, with the conducting path completed by the shorting rings at the end of the cage—are also three-phase and are determined by the magnitude of the induced voltages and by the impedance of the rotor. Since the rotor currents are induced by the stator field, the number of poles and the speed of rotation of the induced magnetic field are the same as those of the stator field, *if the rotor is at rest*. Thus, when a stator field is initially applied, the rotor field is synchronous with it, and the fields are stationary with respect to one another. Thus, according to the earlier discussion, a *starting torque* is generated.

If the starting torque is sufficient to cause the rotor to start spinning, the rotor will accelerate up to its operating speed. However, an induction motor can never reach synchronous speed; if it did, the rotor would appear to be stationary with respect to the rotating stator field, since it would be rotating at the same speed. But in the absence of relative motion between the stator and rotor fields, no voltage would be induced in the rotor. Thus, an induction motor is limited to speeds somewhere below the synchronous speed  $n_s$ . Let the speed of rotation of the rotor be  $n$ ; then the rotor is losing ground with respect to the rotation of the stator field at a speed  $n_s - n$ . In effect, this is equivalent to backward motion of the rotor at the **slip speed**, defined by  $n_s - n$ . The **slip**  $s$  is usually defined as a fraction of  $n_s$

$$s = \frac{n_s - n}{n_s} \quad \text{Slip in induction machine} \quad (14.73)$$



which leads to the following expression for the rotor speed:

$$n = n_s(1 - s) \quad (14.74)$$

The slip  $s$  is a function of the load, and the amount of slip in a given motor is dependent on its construction and rotor type (squirrel cage or wound rotor). Since there is a relative motion between the stator and rotor fields, voltages will be induced in the rotor at a frequency called the **slip frequency**, related to the relative speed of the two fields. This gives rise to an interesting phenomenon: The rotor field travels relative to the rotor at the slip speed  $n_s$ , but the rotor is mechanically traveling at the speed  $(1 - s)n_s$ , so that the net effect is that the rotor field travels at the speed

$$sn_s + (1 - s)n_s = n_s \quad (14.75)$$

that is, at synchronous speed. The fact that the rotor field rotates at synchronous speed—although the rotor itself does not—is extremely important, because it means that the stator and rotor fields will continue to be stationary with respect to each other, and therefore a net torque can be produced.

As in the case of DC and synchronous motors, important characteristics of induction motors are the starting torque, the maximum torque, and the torque–speed curve. These will be discussed shortly, after some analysis of the induction motor is performed.



### EXAMPLE 14.12 Induction Motor Analysis

#### Problem

Find the full-load rotor slip and frequency of the induced voltage at rated speed in a four-pole induction motor.

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Motor ratings.

**Find:**  $s$ ;  $f_R$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:** Motor ratings: 230 V; 60 Hz; full-load speed: 1,725 r/min.

**Analysis:** The synchronous speed of the motor is

$$n_s = \frac{120f}{p} = \frac{60f}{p/2} = \frac{60 \text{ s/min} \times 60 \text{ r/s}}{4/2} = 1,800 \text{ r/min}$$

The slip is

$$s = \frac{n_s - n}{n_s} = \frac{1,800 \text{ r/min} - 1,725 \text{ r/min}}{1,800 \text{ r/min}} = 0.0417$$

The rotor frequency  $f_R$  is

$$f_R = sf = 0.0417 \times 60 \text{ Hz} = 2.5 \text{ Hz}$$

### CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

A three-phase induction motor has six poles. (a) If the line frequency is 60 Hz, calculate the speed of the magnetic field in revolutions per minute. (b) Repeat the calculation if the frequency is changed to 50 Hz.

Answers: (a)  $n = 1,000 \text{ r/min}$ ; (b)  $n = 1,200 \text{ r/min}$

The induction motor can be described by means of an equivalent circuit, which is essentially that of a rotating transformer. (See Chapter 13 for a circuit model of the transformer.) Figure 14.38 depicts such a circuit model, where

$R_S$  = stator resistance per phase,       $R_R$  = rotor resistance per phase

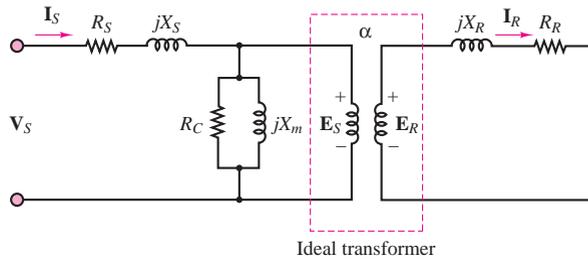
$X_S$  = stator reactance per phase,       $X_R$  = rotor reactance per phase

$X_m$  = magnetizing (mutual) reactance

$R_C$  = equivalent core-loss resistance

$E_S$  = per-phase induced voltage in stator windings

$E_R$  = per-phase induced voltage in rotor windings



**Figure 14.38** Circuit model for induction machine

The primary internal stator voltage  $\mathbf{E}_S$  is coupled to the secondary rotor voltage  $\mathbf{E}_R$  by an ideal transformer with an effective turns ratio of  $\alpha$ . For the rotor circuit, the induced voltage at any slip will be

$$\mathbf{E}_R = s\mathbf{E}_{R0} \tag{14.76}$$

where  $\mathbf{E}_{R0}$  is the induced rotor voltage at the condition in which the rotor is stationary. Also,  $X_R = \omega_R L_R = 2\pi f_R L_R = 2\pi s f L_R = sX_{R0}$ , where  $X_{R0} = 2\pi f L_R$  is the reactance when the rotor is stationary. The rotor current is given by

$$\mathbf{I}_R = \frac{\mathbf{E}_R}{R_R + jX_R} = \frac{s\mathbf{E}_{R0}}{R_R + jsX_{R0}} = \frac{\mathbf{E}_{R0}}{R_R/s + jX_{R0}} \tag{14.77}$$

The resulting rotor equivalent circuit is shown in Figure 14.39.

The voltages, currents, and impedances on the secondary (rotor) side can be reflected to the primary (stator) by means of the effective turns ratio. When this transformation is effected, the transformed rotor voltage is given by

$$\mathbf{E}_2 = \mathbf{E}'_R = \alpha\mathbf{E}_{R0} \tag{14.78}$$

The transformed (reflected) rotor current is

$$\mathbf{I}_2 = \frac{\mathbf{I}_R}{\alpha} \tag{14.79}$$

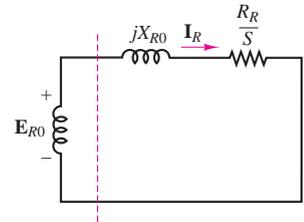
The transformed rotor resistance can be defined as

$$R_2 = \alpha^2 R_R \tag{14.80}$$

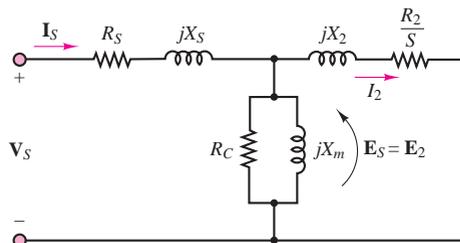
and the transformed rotor reactance can be defined by

$$X_2 = \alpha^2 X_{R0} \tag{14.81}$$

The final per-phase equivalent circuit of the induction motor is shown in Figure 14.40.



**Figure 14.39** Rotor circuit



**Figure 14.40** Equivalent circuit of an induction machine

Examples 14.13 and 14.14 illustrate the use of the circuit model in determining the performance of the induction motor.



### EXAMPLE 14.13 Induction Motor Analysis

#### Problem

Determine the following quantities for an induction motor, using the circuit model of Figures 14.38 to 14.40.

1. Speed
2. Stator current
3. Power factor
4. Output torque

#### Solution

**Known Quantities:** Motor ratings; circuit parameters.

**Find:**  $n$ ;  $\omega_m$ ;  $\mathbf{I}_s$ ; power factor (pf);  $T$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:** Motor ratings: 460 V; 60 Hz; four poles;  $s = 0.022$ ;  $P_{\text{out}} = 14$  hp;  $R_s = 0.641 \Omega$ ;  $R_2 = 0.332 \Omega$ ;  $X_s = 1.106 \Omega$ ;  $X_2 = 0.464 \Omega$ ;  $X_m = 26.3 \Omega$

**Assumptions:** Use per-phase analysis. Neglect core losses ( $R_c = 0$ ).

#### Analysis:

1. The per-phase equivalent circuit is shown in Figure 14.40. The synchronous speed is found to be

$$n_s = \frac{120f}{p} = \frac{60 \text{ s/min} \times 60 \text{ r/s}}{4/2} = 1,800 \text{ r/min}$$

or

$$\omega_s = 1,800 \frac{\text{r}}{\text{min}} \times \frac{2\pi \text{ rad}}{60 \text{ s/min}} = 188.5 \text{ rad/s}$$

The rotor mechanical speed is

$$n = (1 - s)n_s = 1,760 \text{ r/min}$$

or

$$\omega_m = (1 - s)\omega_s = 184.4 \text{ rad/s}$$

2. The reflected rotor impedance is found from the parameters of the per-phase circuit to be

$$\begin{aligned} Z_2 &= \frac{R_2}{s} + jX_2 = \frac{0.332}{0.022} + j0.464 \Omega \\ &= 15.09 + j0.464 \Omega \end{aligned}$$

The combined magnetization plus rotor impedance is therefore equal to

$$Z = \frac{1}{1/jX_m + 1/Z_2} = \frac{1}{-j0.038 + 0.0662 \angle -1.76^\circ} = 12.94 \angle 31.1^\circ \Omega$$

and the total impedance is

$$\begin{aligned} Z_{\text{total}} &= Z_S + Z = 0.641 + j1.106 + 11.08 + j6.68 \\ &= 11.72 + j7.79 = 14.07 \angle 33.6^\circ \Omega \end{aligned}$$

Finally, the stator current is given by

$$\mathbf{I}_S = \frac{\mathbf{V}_S}{Z_{\text{total}}} = \frac{460/\sqrt{3} \angle 0^\circ \text{ V}}{14.07 \angle 33.6^\circ \Omega} = 18.88 \angle -33.6^\circ \text{ A}$$

3. The power factor is

$$\text{pf} = \cos 33.6^\circ = 0.883 \text{ lagging}$$

4. The output power  $P_{\text{out}}$  is

$$P_{\text{out}} = 14 \text{ hp} \times 746 \text{ W/hp} = 10,444 \text{ kW}$$

and the output torque is

$$T = \frac{P_{\text{out}}}{\omega_m} = \frac{10,444 \text{ W}}{184.4 \text{ rad/s}} = 56.64 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}$$

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

A four-pole induction motor operating at a frequency of 60 Hz has a full-load slip of 4 percent. Find the frequency of the voltage induced in the rotor (a) at the instant of starting and (b) at full load.

Answers: (a)  $f_r = 60 \text{ Hz}$ ; (b)  $f_r = 2.4 \text{ Hz}$

## EXAMPLE 14.14 Induction Motor Analysis



### Problem

Determine the following quantities for a three-phase induction motor, using the circuit model of Figures 14.39 to 14.41.

1. Stator current.
2. Power factor.
3. Full-load electromagnetic torque.

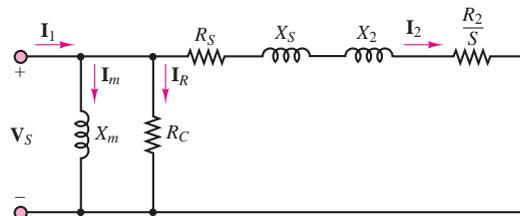


Figure 14.41

**Solution**

**Known Quantities:** Motor ratings; circuit parameters.

**Find:**  $I_S$ ; pf;  $T$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:** Motor ratings: 500 V; three-phase; 50 Hz;  $p = 8$ ;  $s = 0.05$ ;  $P = 14$  hp.

Circuit parameters:  $R_S = 0.13 \Omega$ ;  $R'_R = 0.32 \Omega$ ;  $X_S = 0.6 \Omega$ ;  $X'_R = 1.48 \Omega$ ;  
 $Y_m = G_C + jB_m =$  magnetic branch admittance describing core loss and mutual  
 inductance  $= 0.004 - j0.05 \Omega^{-1}$ ; stator/rotor turns ratio  $= 1 : \alpha = 1 : 1.57$ .

**Assumptions:** Use per-phase analysis. Neglect mechanical losses.

**Analysis:** The approximate equivalent circuit of the three-phase induction motor on a per-phase basis is shown in Figure 14.41. The parameters of the model are calculated as follows:

$$R_2 = R'_R \times \left(\frac{1}{\alpha}\right)^2 = 0.32 \times \left(\frac{1}{1.57}\right)^2 = 0.13 \Omega$$

$$X_2 = X'_R \times \left(\frac{1}{\alpha}\right)^2 = 1.48 \times \left(\frac{1}{1.57}\right)^2 = 0.6 \Omega$$

$$\begin{aligned} Z &= R_S + \frac{R_2}{s} + j(X_S + X_2) \\ &= 0.13 + \frac{0.13}{0.05} + j(0.6 + 0.6) = 2.73 + j1.2 \Omega \end{aligned}$$

Using the approximate circuit, we have

$$I_2 = \frac{V_S}{Z} = \frac{(500/\sqrt{3})\angle 0^\circ \text{ V}}{2.73 + j1.2 \Omega} = 88.8 - j39 \text{ A}$$

$$I_R = V_S G_S = 288.7 \text{ V} \times 0.004 \Omega^{-1} = 1.15 \text{ A}$$

$$I_m = -jV_S B_m = 288.7 \text{ V} \times (-j0.05) \Omega = -j14.4 \text{ A}$$

$$I_1 = I_2 + I_R + I_m = 89.95 - j53.4 \text{ A}$$

$$\text{Input power factor} = \frac{\text{Re}[I_1]}{|I_1|} = \frac{89.95}{104.6} = 0.86 \text{ lagging}$$

$$\text{Torque} = \frac{3P}{\omega_S} = \frac{3I_2^2 R_2 / s}{4\pi f / p} = 935 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}$$

**CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING**

A four-pole, 1,746 r/min, 220-V, three-phase, 60-Hz, 10-hp, Y-connected induction machine has the following parameters:  $R_S = 0.4 \Omega$ ;  $R_2 = 0.14 \Omega$ ;  $X_m = 16 \Omega$ ;  $X_S = 0.35 \Omega$ ;  $X_2 = 0.35 \Omega$ ;  $R_C = 0$ . Using Figures 14.38 and 14.39, find (a) the stator current; (b) the rotor current; (c) the motor power factor; and (d) the total stator power input.

Answers: (a) 25.92  $\angle -22.45^\circ$  A; (b) 24.39  $\angle -6.51^\circ$  A; (c) 0.9243; (d) 8,476 W

### Performance of Induction Motors

The performance of induction motors can be described by torque–speed curves similar to those already used for DC motors. Figure 14.42 depicts an induction motor torque–speed curve, with five torque ratings marked *a* through *e*. Point *a* is the *starting torque*, also called **breakaway torque**, and is the torque available with the rotor “locked,” that is, in a stationary position. At this condition, the frequency of the voltage induced in the rotor is highest, since it is equal to the frequency of rotation of the stator field; consequently, the inductive reactance of the rotor is greatest. As the rotor accelerates, the torque drops off, reaching a maximum value called the **pull-up torque** (point *b*); this typically occurs somewhere between 25 and 40 percent of synchronous speed. As the rotor speed continues to increase, the rotor reactance decreases further (since the frequency of the induced voltage is determined by the relative speed of rotation of the rotor with respect to the stator field). The torque becomes a maximum when the rotor inductive reactance is equal to the rotor resistance; maximum torque is also called **breakdown torque** (point *c*). Beyond this point, the torque drops off, until it is zero at synchronous speed, as discussed earlier. Also marked on the curve are the *150 percent torque* (point *d*) and the *rated torque* (point *e*).

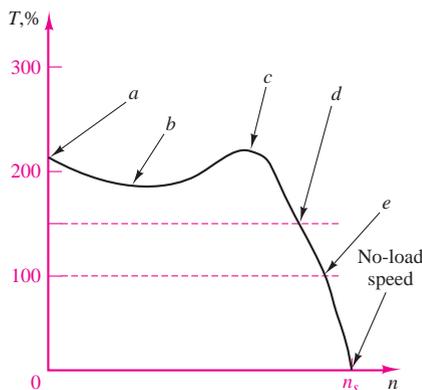
A general formula for the computation of the induction motor steady-state torque–speed characteristic is

$$T = \frac{1}{\omega_e} \frac{mV_S^2 R_R / s}{(R_S + R_R / s)^2 + (X_S + X_R)^2} \quad T\text{-}\omega \text{ equation for induction machine} \quad (14.82)$$

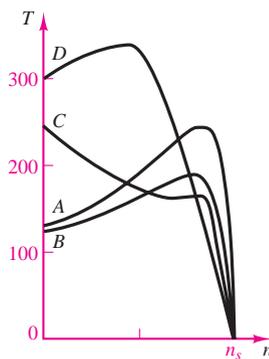


where *m* is the number of phases.

Different construction arrangements permit the design of **induction motors** with different torque–speed curves, thus permitting the user to select the motor that best suits a given application. Figure 14.43 depicts the four basic classifications—classes A, B, C, and D—as defined by NEMA. The determining features in the classification are the locked-rotor torque and current, the breakdown torque, the pull-up torque, and the percentage of slip. Class A motors have a higher breakdown torque than class B motors, and a slip of 5 percent or less. Motors in this class are often designed for a specific application. Class B motors are general-purpose motors; this



**Figure 14.42** Performance curve for induction motor



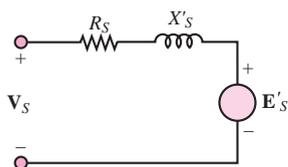
**Figure 14.43** Induction motor classification

is the most commonly used type of induction motor, with typical values of slip of 3 to 5 percent. Class C motors have a high starting torque for a given starting current, and a low slip. These motors are typically used in applications demanding high starting torque but having relatively normal running loads, once the running speed has been reached. Class D motors are characterized by high starting torque, high slip, low starting current, and low full-load speed. A typical value of slip is around 13 percent.

Factors that should be considered in the selection of an AC motor for a given application are the *speed range*, both minimum and maximum, and the speed variation. For example, it is important to determine whether constant speed is required; what variation might be allowed, either in speed or in torque; or whether variable-speed operation is required, in which case a variable-speed drive will be needed. The torque requirements are obviously important as well. The starting and running torque should be considered; they depend on the type of load. Starting torque can vary from a small percentage of full-load torque to several times full-load torque. Furthermore, the excess torque available at start-up determines the *acceleration characteristics* of the motor. Similarly, *deceleration characteristics* should be considered, to determine whether external braking might be required.

Another factor to be considered is the *duty cycle* of the motor. The duty cycle, which depends on the nature of the application, is an important consideration when the motor is used in repetitive, noncontinuous operation, such as is encountered in some types of machine tools. If the motor operates at zero or reduced load for periods of time, the duty cycle—that is, the percentage of the time the motor is loaded—is an important selection criterion. Last, but by no means least, are the *heating properties* of a motor. Motor temperature is determined by internal losses and by ventilation; motors operating at a reduced speed may not generate sufficient cooling, and forced ventilation may be required.

Thus far, we have not considered the dynamic characteristics of induction motors. Among the integral-horsepower induction motors (i.e., motors with horsepower rating greater than 1), the most common dynamic problems are associated with starting and stopping and with the ability of the motor to continue operation during supply system transient disturbances. Dynamic analysis methods for induction motors depend to a considerable extent on the nature and complexity of the problem and the associated precision requirements. When the electric transients in the motor are to be included as well as the motion transients, and especially when the motor is an important element in a large network, the simple transient equivalent circuit of Figure 14.44 provides a good starting approximation. In the circuit model of Figure 14.44,  $X'_S$  is called the *transient reactance*. The voltage  $E'_S$  is called the *voltage behind the transient reactance* and is assumed to be equal to the initial value of the induced voltage, at the start of the transient. The stator resistance is  $R_S$ . The dynamic analysis problem consists of selecting a sufficiently simple but reasonably realistic representation that will not unduly complicate the dynamic analysis, particularly through the introduction of nonlinearities.



**Figure 14.44** Simplified induction motor dynamic model

It should be remarked that the basic equations of the induction machine, as derived from first principles, are quite nonlinear. Thus, an accurate dynamic analysis of the induction motor, without any linearizing approximations, requires the use of computer simulation.

## AC Motor Speed and Torque Control

As explained in an earlier section, AC machines are constrained to fixed-speed or near fixed-speed operation when supplied by a constant-frequency source. Several

simple methods exist to provide limited **speed control in AC induction machines**; more complex methods, involving the use of advanced power electronics circuits, can be used if the intended application requires wide-bandwidth control of motor speed or torque. In this subsection we provide a general overview of available solutions.



### **Pole Number Control**

The (conceptually) easiest method to implement speed control in an induction machine is by *varying the number of poles*. Equation 14.55 explains the dependence of synchronous speed in an AC machine on the supply frequency and on the number of poles. For machines operated at 60 Hz, the following speeds can be achieved by varying the number of magnetic poles in the stator winding:

Number of poles	2	4	6	8	12
$n$ , r/min	3,600	1,800	1,200	800	600

Motor stators can be wound so that the number of pole pairs in the stators can be varied by switching between possible winding connections. Such switching requires that care be taken in timing it to avoid damage to the machine.

### **Slip Control**

Since the rotor speed is inherently dependent on the slip, *slip control* is a valid means of achieving some speed variation in an induction machine. Since motor torque falls with the square of the voltage (see equation 14.82), it is possible to change the slip by changing the motor torque through a reduction in motor voltage. This procedure allows for speed control over the range of speeds that allow for stable motor operation. With reference to Figure 14.42, this is possible only above point *c*, that is, above the *breakdown torque*.

### **Rotor Control**

For motors with wound rotors, it is possible to connect the rotor slip rings to resistors; adding resistance to the rotor increases the losses in the rotor and therefore causes the rotor speed to decrease. This method is also limited to operation above the *breakdown torque*, although it should be noted that the shape of the motor torque–speed characteristic changes when the rotor resistance is changed.

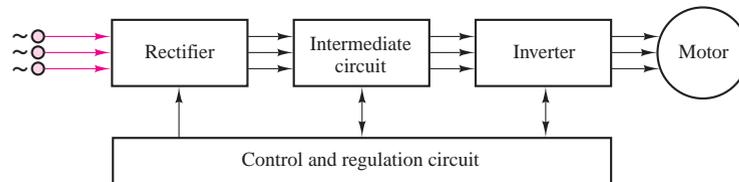
### **Frequency Regulation**

The last two methods cause additional losses to be introduced in the machine. If a variable-frequency supply is used, motor speed can be controlled without any additional losses. As seen in equation 14.55, the motor speed is directly dependent on the supply frequency, as the supply frequency determines the speed of the rotating magnetic field. However, to maintain the same motor torque characteristics over a range of speeds, the motor voltage must change with frequency, to maintain a constant torque. Thus, generally, the volts/hertz ratio should be held constant. This condition is difficult to achieve at start-up and at very low frequencies, in which cases the voltage must be raised above the constant volts/hertz ratio that will be appropriate at higher frequency.

## Adjustable-Frequency Drives

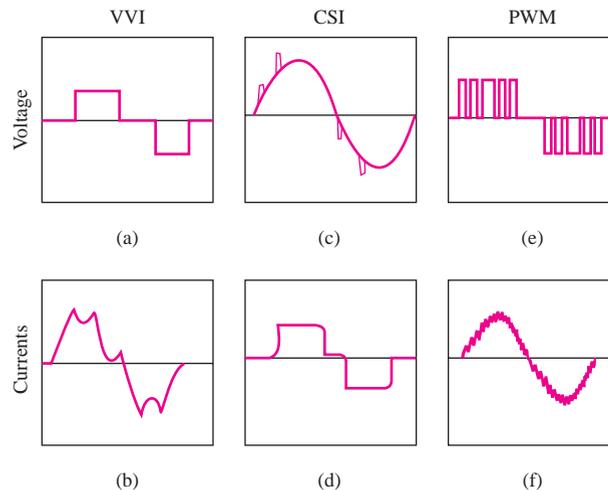


The advances made in the last two decades in power electronics and microcontrollers have made AC machines employing **adjustable-frequency drives** well suited to many common engineering applications that until recently required the use of the more easily speed-controlled DC drives. An adjustable-frequency drive consists of four major subsystems, as shown in Figure 14.45.



**Figure 14.45** General configuration of adjustable-frequency drive

The diagram of Figure 14.45 assumes that a three-phase AC supply is available; the three-phase AC voltage is rectified using a controlled or uncontrolled **rectifier** (see Chapter 9 for a description of uncontrolled rectifiers). An **intermediate circuit** is sometimes necessary to further condition the rectified voltage and current. An **inverter** is then used to convert the fixed DC voltage to a variable frequency and variable-amplitude AC voltage. This is accomplished via **pulse-amplitude modulation (PAM)** or increasingly via **pulse-width modulation (PWM)** techniques. Figure 14.46 illustrates how approximately sinusoidal currents and voltages of variable frequency can be obtained by suitable shaping of a train of pulses.



**Figure 14.46** Typical adjustable-frequency controller voltage and current waveforms (Courtesy: Rockwell Automation, Reliance Electric.)

## Conclusion

This chapter introduces the most common classes of rotating electric machines. These machines, which can range in power from the milliwatt to the megawatt range, find common application in virtually every field of engineering, from consumer products to heavy-duty

industrial applications. The principles introduced in this chapter can give you a solid basis from which to build upon.

Upon completing this chapter, you should have mastered the following learning objectives:

1. *Understand the basic principles of operation of rotating electric machines, their classification, and basic efficiency and performance characteristics.* Electric machines are defined in terms of their mechanical characteristics (torque–speed curves, inertia, friction and windage losses) and their electrical characteristics (current and voltage requirements). Losses and efficiency are an important part of the operation of electric machines, and it should be recognized that machines will suffer from electrical, mechanical, and magnetic core losses. All machines are based on the principle of establishing a magnetic field in the stationary part of the machine (stator) and a magnetic field in the moving part of the machine (rotor); electric machines can then be classified according to how the stator and rotor fields are established.
2. *Understand the operation and basic configurations of separately excited, permanent-magnet, shunt and series DC machines.* Direct-current machines, operated from a DC supply, are among the most common electric machines. The rotor (armature) circuit is connected to an external DC supply via a commutator. The stator electric field can be established by an external circuit (separately excited machines), by a permanent magnet (PM machines), or by the same supply used for the armature (self-excited machines).
3. *Analyze DC generators at steady state.* DC generators can be used to supply a variable direct current and voltage when propelled by a prime mover (engine, or other thermal or hydraulic machine).
4. *Analyze DC motors under steady-state and dynamic operation.* DC motors are commonly used in a variety of variable-speed applications (e.g., electric vehicles, servos) which require speed control; thus, their dynamics are also of interest.
5. *Understand the operation and basic configuration of AC machines, including the synchronous motor and generator and the induction machine.* AC machines require an alternating-current supply. The two principal classes of AC machines are the synchronous and induction types. Synchronous machines rotate at a predetermined speed, which is equal to the speed of a rotating magnetic field present in the stator, called the *synchronous speed*. Induction machines also operate based on a rotating magnetic field in the stator; however, the speed of the rotor is dependent on the operating conditions of the machine and is always less than the synchronous speed. Variable-speed AC machines require more sophisticated electric power supplies that can provide variable voltage/current and variable frequency. As the cost of power electronics is steadily decreasing, variable-speed AC drives are becoming increasingly common.

## HOMEWORK PROBLEMS

### Section 14.1: Rotating Electric Machines

**14.1** The power rating of a motor can be modified to account for different ambient temperature, according to the following table:

Ambient temperature	30°C	35°C	40°C
Variation of rated power	+8%	+5%	0

Ambient temperature	45°C	50°C	55°C
Variation of rated power	–5%	–12.5%	–25%

A motor with  $P_e = 10$  kW is rated up to 85°C. Find the actual power for each of the following conditions:

- a. Ambient temperature is 50°C.
- b. Ambient temperature is 30°C.

**14.2** The speed–torque characteristic of an induction motor has been empirically determined as follows:

Speed, r/min	1,470	1,440	1,410	1,300	1,100
Torque, N-m	3	6	9	13	15

Speed, r/min	900	750	350	0
Torque, N-m	13	11	7	5

The motor will drive a load requiring a starting torque of 4 N-m and increase linearly with speed to 8 N-m at 1,500 r/min.

- Find the steady-state operating point of the motor.
- Equation 14.82 predicts that the motor speed can be regulated in the face of changes in load torque by adjusting the stator voltage. Find the change in voltage required to maintain the speed at the operating point of part a if the load torque increases to 10 N-m.

### Section 14.2: Direct-Current Machines

- 14.3** Calculate the force exerted by each conductor, 6 in long, on the armature of a DC motor when it carries a current of 90 A and lies in a field the density of which is  $5.2 \times 10^{-4}$  Wb/in<sup>2</sup>.
- 14.4** In a DC machine, the air gap flux density is 4 Wb/m<sup>2</sup>. The area of the pole face is 2 cm × 4 cm. Find the flux per pole in the machine.

### Section 14.3: Direct-Current Generators

- 14.5** A 120-V, 10-A shunt generator has an armature resistance of 0.6 Ω. The shunt field current is 2 A. Determine the voltage regulation of the generator.
- 14.6** A 20-kW, 230-V separately excited generator has an armature resistance of 0.2 Ω and a load current of 100 A. Find
- The generated voltage when the terminal voltage is 230 V.
  - The output power.
- 14.7** A 10-kW, 120-V DC series generator has an armature resistance of 0.1 Ω and a series field resistance of 0.05 Ω. Assuming that it is delivering rated current at rated speed, find (a) the armature current and (b) the generated voltage.
- 14.8** The armature resistance of a 30-kW, 440-V shunt generator is 0.1 Ω. Its shunt field resistance is 200 Ω.

Find

- The power developed at rated load.
  - The load, field, and armature currents.
  - The electric power loss.
- 14.9** A four-pole, 450-kW, 4.6-kV shunt generator has armature and field resistances of 2 and 333 Ω. The generator is operating at the rated speed of 3,600 r/min. Find the no-load voltage of the generator and terminal voltage at half load.
- 14.10** A 30-kW, 240-V generator is running at half load at 1,800 r/min with an efficiency of 85 percent. Find the total losses and input power.
- 14.11** A self-excited DC shunt generator is delivering 20 A to a 100-V line when it is driven at 200 rad/s. The magnetization characteristic is shown in Figure P14.11. It is known that  $R_a = 1.0$  Ω and  $R_f = 100$  Ω. When the generator is disconnected from the line, the drive motor speeds up to 220 rad/s. What is the terminal voltage?

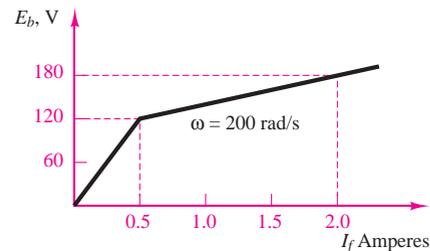


Figure P14.11

- 14.12** A high-pressure supply and a hydraulic motor are used as a prime mover to generate electricity through a DC generator. The system diagram is sketched in Figure P14.12. Assume that an ideal pressure source,  $P_S$ , is available, and that a hydraulic motor is connected to it through a linear “fluid resistor,” used to regulate the average flow rate. An accumulator is inserted just upstream of the hydraulic motor to smooth pressure pulsations. The combined inertia of the hydraulic motor and of the DC generator is represented by the parameter,  $J$ . The DC generator is of the permanent-magnet type, and has armature constants  $k_a = k_T$ . The permanent-magnet flux is  $\phi$ . Assume a resistive load for the generator  $R_L$ .
- Derive the system differential equations.
  - Compute the transfer function of the system from supply pressure,  $P_S$  to load voltage,  $V_L$ .

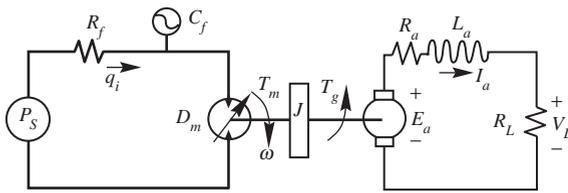


Figure P14.12

### Section 14.4: Direct-Current Motors

- 14.13** A 220-V shunt motor has an armature resistance of  $0.32\ \Omega$  and a field resistance of  $110\ \Omega$ . At no load the armature current is 6 A and the speed is 1,800 r/min. Assume that the flux does not vary with load, and calculate
- The speed of the motor when the line current is 62 A (assume a 2-V brush drop).
  - The speed regulation of the motor.
- 14.14** A 50-hp, 550-V shunt motor has an armature resistance, including brushes, of  $0.36\ \Omega$ . When operating at rated load and speed, the armature takes 75 A. What resistance should be inserted in the armature circuit to obtain a 20 percent speed reduction when the motor is developing 70 percent of rated torque? Assume that there is no flux change.
- 14.15** A shunt DC motor has a shunt field resistance of  $400\ \Omega$  and an armature resistance of  $0.2\ \Omega$ . The motor nameplate rating values are 440 V, 1,200 r/min, 100 hp, and full-load efficiency of 90 percent. Find
- The motor line current.
  - The field and armature currents.
  - The counter emf at rated speed.
  - The output torque.
- 14.16** A 240-V series motor has an armature resistance of  $0.42\ \Omega$  and a series-field resistance of  $0.18\ \Omega$ . If the speed is 500 r/min when the current is 36 A, what will be the motor speed when the load reduces the line current to 21 A? (Assume a 3-V brush drop and that the flux is proportional to the current.)
- 14.17** A 220-V DC shunt motor has an armature resistance of  $0.2\ \Omega$  and a rated armature current of 50 A. Find
- The voltage generated in the armature.
  - The power developed.
- 14.18** A 550-V series motor takes 112 A and operates at 820 r/min when the load is 75 hp. If the effective armature-circuit resistance is  $0.15\ \Omega$ , calculate the horsepower output of the motor when the current drops to 84 A, assuming that the flux is reduced by 15 percent.
- 14.19** A 200-V DC shunt motor has the following parameters:
- $$R_a = 0.1\ \Omega \quad R_f = 100\ \Omega$$
- When running at 1,100 r/min with no load connected to the shaft, the motor draws 4 A from the line. Find  $E$  and the rotational losses at 1,100 r/min (assuming that the stray-load losses can be neglected).
- 14.20** A 230-V DC shunt motor has the following parameters:
- $$R_a = 0.5\ \Omega \quad R_f = 75\ \Omega$$
- $$P_{\text{rot}} = 500\ \text{W} \quad \text{at } 1,120\ \text{r/min}$$
- When loaded, the motor draws 46 A from the line. Find
- The speed,  $P_{\text{dev}}$ , and  $T_{\text{sh}}$ .
  - If  $L_f = 25\ \text{H}$ ,  $L_a = 0.008\ \text{H}$ , and the terminal voltage has a 115-V change, find  $i_a(t)$  and  $\omega_m(t)$ .
- 14.21** A 200-V DC shunt motor with an armature resistance of  $0.1\ \Omega$  and a field resistance of  $100\ \Omega$  draws a line current of 5 A when running with no load at 955 r/min. Determine the motor speed, the motor efficiency, the total losses (i.e., rotational and  $I^2R$  losses), and the load torque  $T_{\text{sh}}$  that will result when the motor draws 40 A from the line. Assume rotational power losses are proportional to the square of shaft speed.
- 14.22** A 50-hp, 230-V shunt motor has a field resistance of  $17.7\ \Omega$  and operates at full load when the line current is 181 A at 1,350 r/min. To increase the speed of the motor to 1,600 r/min, a resistance of  $5.3\ \Omega$  is “cut in” via the field rheostat; the line current then increases to 190 A. Calculate
- The power loss in the field and its percentage of the total power input for the 1,350 r/min speed.
  - The power losses in the field and the field rheostat for the 1,600 r/min speed.
  - The percent losses in the field and in the field rheostat at 1,600 r/min.
- 14.23** A 10-hp, 230-V shunt-wound motor has a rated speed of 1,000 r/min and full-load efficiency of 86 percent. Armature-circuit resistance is  $0.26\ \Omega$ ; field-circuit resistance is  $225\ \Omega$ . If this motor is operating under rated load and the field flux is very quickly reduced to 50 percent of its normal value,

what will be the effect upon counter emf, armature current, and torque? What effect will this change have upon the operation of the motor, and what will be its speed when stable operating conditions have been regained?

**14.24** The machine of Example 14.7 is being used in a series connection. That is, the field coil is connected in series with the armature, as shown in Figure P14.24. The machine is to be operated under the same conditions as in Example 14.7, that is,  $n = 120$  r/min and  $I_a = 8$  A. In the operating region,  $\phi = kI_f$  and  $k = 200$ . The armature resistance is  $0.2 \Omega$ , and the resistance of the field winding is negligible.

- Find the number of field winding turns necessary for full-load operation.
- Find the torque output for the following speeds:
  - $n' = 2n$
  - $n' = 3n$
  - $n' = n/2$
  - $n' = n/4$
- Plot the speed–torque characteristic for the conditions of part b.

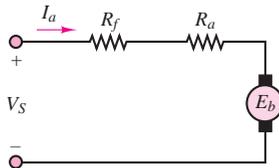


Figure P14.24

**14.25** With reference to Example 14.9, assume that the load torque applied to the PM DC motor is zero. Determine the speed response of the motor speed to a step change in input voltage. Derive expressions for the natural frequency and damping ratio of the second-order system. What determines whether the system is over- or underdamped?

**14.26** A motor with polar moment of inertia  $J$  develops torque according to the relationship  $T = a\omega + b$ . The motor drives a load defined by the torque–speed relationship  $T_L = c\omega^2 + d$ . If the four coefficients are all positive constants, determine the equilibrium speeds of the motor-load pair, and whether these speeds are stable.

**14.27** Assume that a motor has known friction and windage losses described by the equation

$T_{FW} = b\omega$ . Sketch the  $T$ - $\omega$  characteristic of the motor if the load torque  $T_L$  is constant, and the  $T_L$ - $\omega$  characteristic if the motor torque is constant. Assume that  $T_{FW}$  at full speed is equal to 30 percent of the load torque.

**14.28** A PM DC motor is rated at 6 V, 3,350 r/min, and has the following parameters:  $r_a = 7 \Omega$ ,  $L_a = 120$  mH,  $k_T = 7 \times 10^{-3}$  N-m/A,  $J = 1 \times 10^{-6}$  kg-m<sup>2</sup>. The no-load armature current is 0.15 A.

- In the steady-state no-load condition, the magnetic torque must be balanced by an internal damping torque; find the damping coefficient  $b$ . Now sketch a model of the motor, write the dynamic equations, and determine the transfer function from armature voltage to motor speed. What is the approximate 3-dB bandwidth of the motor?
- Now let the motor be connected to a pump with inertia  $J_L = 1 \times 10^{-4}$  kg-m<sup>2</sup>, damping coefficient  $b_L = 5 \times 10^{-3}$  N-m-s, and load torque  $T_L = 3.5 \times 10^{-3}$  N-m. Sketch the model describing the motor-load configuration, and write the dynamic equations for this system; determine the new transfer function from armature voltage to motor speed. What is the approximate 3-dB bandwidth of the motor/pump system?

**14.29** A PM DC motor with torque constant  $k_{PM}$  is used to power a hydraulic pump; the pump is a positive displacement type and generates a flow proportional to the pump velocity:  $q_p = k_p\omega$ . The fluid travels through a conduit of negligible resistance; an accumulator is included to smooth out the pulsations of the pump. A hydraulic load (modeled by a fluid resistance  $R$ ) is connected between the pipe and a reservoir (assumed at zero pressure). Sketch the motor-pump circuit. Derive the dynamic equations for the system, and determine the transfer function between motor voltage and the pressure across the load.

**14.30** A shunt motor in Figure P14.30 is characterized by a field coefficient  $k_f = 0.12$  V-s/A-rad, such that the back emf is given by the expression  $E_b = k_f I_f \omega$  and the motor torque by the expression  $T = k_f I_f I_a$ . The motor drives an inertia/viscous friction load with parameters  $J = 0.8$  kg-m<sup>2</sup> and  $b = 0.6$  N-m-s/rad. The field equation may be approximated by  $V_S = R_f I_f$ . The armature resistance is  $R_a = 0.75 \Omega$ , and the field resistance is  $R_f = 60 \Omega$ . The system is perturbed around the nominal operating point  $V_{S0} = 150$  V,  $\omega_0 = 200$  rad/s,  $I_{a0} = 186.67$  A, respectively.

- Derive the dynamic system equations in *symbolic form*.
- Linearize the equations you obtained in part a.

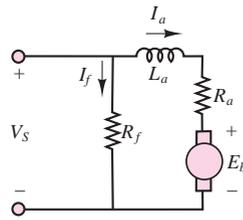


Figure P14.30

**14.31** A PM DC motor is rigidly coupled to a fan; the fan load torque is described by the expression  $T_L = 5 + 0.05\omega + 0.001\omega^2$ , where torque is in Newton-meters and speed in radians per second. The motor has  $k_a\phi = k_T\phi = 2.42$ ;  $R_a = 0.2 \Omega$ , and the inductance is negligible. If the motor voltage is 50 V, what will be the speed of rotation of the motor and fan?

**14.32** A separately excited DC motor has the following parameters:

$$R_a = 0.1 \Omega \quad R_f = 100 \Omega \quad L_a = 0.2 \text{ H}$$

$$L_f = 0.02 \text{ H} \quad K_a = 0.8 \quad K_f = 0.9$$

The motor load is an inertia with  $J = 0.5 \text{ kg}\cdot\text{m}^2$  and  $b = 2 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}\cdot\text{s}/\text{rad}$ . No external load torque is applied.

- Sketch a diagram of the system and derive the (three) differential equations.
- Sketch a simulation block diagram of the system (you should have three integrators).
- Code the diagram, using Simulink.
- Run the following simulations:  
*Armature control.* Assume a constant field with  $V_f = 100 \text{ V}$ ; now simulate the response of the system when the armature voltage changes in step fashion from 50 to 75 V. Save and plot the current and angular speed responses.  
*Field control.* Assume a constant armature voltage with  $V_a = 100 \text{ V}$ ; now simulate the response of the system when the field voltage changes in step fashion from 75 to 50 V. This procedure is called *field weakening*. Save and plot the current and angular speed responses.

**14.33** Determine the transfer functions from *input voltage* to *angular velocity* and from *load torque* to *angular velocity* for a PM DC motor rigidly connected to an inertial load. Assume resistance and inductance parameters  $R_a, L_a$  let the armature constant be  $k_a$ . Assume ideal energy conversion, so that  $k_a = k_T$ . The motor has inertia  $J_m$  and damping coefficient  $b_m$ ,

and it is rigidly connected to an inertial load with inertia  $J$  and damping coefficient  $b$ . The load torque  $T_L$  acts on the load inertia to oppose the magnetic torque.

**14.34** Assume that the coupling between the motor and the inertial load of Problem 14.33 is flexible (e.g., a long shaft). This can be modeled by adding a torsional spring between the motor inertia and the load inertia. Now we can no longer lump together the two inertias and damping coefficients as if they were one; we need to write separate equations for the two inertias. In total, there will be three equations in this system the motor electrical equation, the motor mechanical equation ( $J_m$  and  $B_m$ ), and the load mechanical equation ( $J$  and  $B$ ).

- Sketch a diagram of the system.
- Use free-body diagrams to write each of the two mechanical equations. Set up the equations in matrix form.
- Compute the transfer function from input voltage to load inertia speed, using the method of determinants.

**14.35** A wound DC motor is connected in both a shunt and a series configuration. Assume generic resistance and inductance parameters  $R_a, R_f, L_a, L_f$ ; let the field magnetization constant be  $k_f$  and the armature constant be  $k_a$ . Assume ideal energy conversion, so that  $k_a = k_T$ . The motor has inertia  $J_m$  and damping coefficient  $b_m$ , and it is rigidly connected to an inertial load with inertia  $J$  and damping coefficient  $b$ .

- Sketch a system-level diagram of the two configurations that illustrates both the mechanical and electrical systems.
- Write an expression for the torque–speed curve of the motor in each configuration.
- Write the differential equations of the motor-load system in each configuration.
- Determine whether the differential equations of each system are linear; if one (or both) is (are) nonlinear, could they be made linear with some simple assumption? Explain clearly under what conditions this would be the case.

**14.36** Derive the differential equations describing the electrical and mechanical dynamics of a shunt-connected DC motor, shown in Figure P14.36; and draw a simulation block diagram of the system. The motor parameters are  $k_a, k_T$  = armature and torque reluctance constant and  $k_f$  = field flux constant.

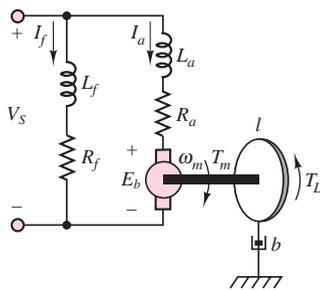


Figure P14.36

- 14.37** Derive the differential equations describing the electrical and mechanical dynamics of a series-connected DC motor, shown in Figure P14.37, and draw a simulation block diagram of the system. The motor parameters are  $k_a$ ,  $k_T$  = armature and torque reluctance constant and  $k_f$  = field flux constant.

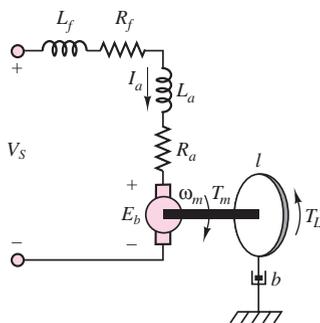


Figure P14.37

- 14.38** Develop a Simulink simulator for the shunt-connected DC motor of Problem 14.36. Assume the following parameter values:  $L_a = 0.15$  H;  $L_f = 0.05$  H;  $R_a = 1.8$   $\Omega$ ;  $R_f = 0.2$   $\Omega$ ;  $k_a = 0.8$  V-s/rad;  $k_T = 20$  N-m/A;  $k_f = 0.20$  Wb/A;  $b = 0.1$  N-m-s/rad;  $J = 1$  kg-m<sup>2</sup>.
- 14.39** Develop a Simulink simulator for the series-connected DC motor of Problem 14.37. Assume the following parameter values:  $L = L_a + L_f = 0.2$  H;  $R = R_a + R_f = 2$   $\Omega$ ;  $k_a = 0.8$  V-s/rad;  $k_T = 20$  N-m/A;  $k_f = 0.20$  Wb/A;  $b = 0.1$  N-m-s/rad;  $J = 1$  kg-m<sup>2</sup>.

### Section 14.6: The Alternator (Synchronous Generator)

- 14.40** An automotive alternator is rated 500 VA and 20 V. It delivers its rated voltamperes at a power factor of 0.85. The resistance per phase is 0.05  $\Omega$ , and the field takes 2 A at 12 V. If the friction and windage loss is 25 W and the core loss is 30 W, calculate the percent efficiency under rated conditions.

- 14.41** It has been determined by test that the synchronous reactance  $X_s$  and armature resistance  $r_a$  of a 2,300-V, 500-VA, three-phase synchronous generator are 8.0 and 0.1  $\Omega$ , respectively. If the machine is operating at rated load and voltage at a power factor of 0.867 lagging, find the generated voltage per phase and the torque angle.
- 14.42** The circuit of Figure P14.42 represents a voltage regulator for a car alternator. Briefly, explain the function of  $Q$ ,  $D$ ,  $Z$ , and SCR. Note that unlike other alternators, a car alternator is *not* driven at constant speed.

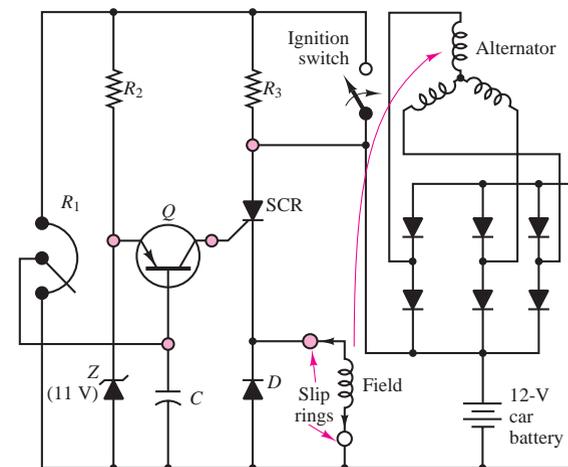


Figure P14.42

### Section 14.7: The Synchronous Motor

- 14.43** A non-salient pole, Y-connected, three-phase, two-pole synchronous machine has a synchronous reactance of 7  $\Omega$  and negligible resistance and rotational losses. One point on the open-circuit characteristic is given by  $V_o = 400$  V (phase voltage) for a field current of 3.32 A. The machine is to be operated as a motor, with a terminal voltage of 400 V (phase voltage). The armature current is 50 A, with power factor 0.85, leading. Determine  $E_b$ , field current, torque developed, and power angle  $\delta$ .
- 14.44** A factory load of 900 kW at 0.6 power factor lagging is to be increased by the addition of a synchronous motor that takes 450 kW. At what power factor must this motor operate, and what must be its kilovoltampere input if the overall power factor is to be 0.9 lagging?
- 14.45** A non-salient pole, Y-connected, three-phase, two-pole synchronous generator is connected to a 400-V (line to line), 60-Hz, three-phase line. The

stator impedance is  $0.5 + j1.6 \Omega$  (per phase). The generator is delivering rated current (36 A) at unity power factor to the line. Determine the power angle for this load and the value of  $E_b$  for this condition. Sketch the phasor diagram, showing  $E_b$ ,  $I_S$ , and  $V_S$ .

- 14.46** A non-salient pole, three-phase, two-pole synchronous motor is connected in parallel with a three-phase, Y-connected load so that the per-phase equivalent circuit is as shown in Figure P14.46. The parallel combination is connected to a 220-V (line to line), 60-Hz, three-phase line. The load current  $I_L$  is 25 A at a power factor of 0.866 inductive. The motor has  $X_S = 2 \Omega$  and is operating with  $I_f = 1$  A and  $T = 50$  N-m at a power angle of  $-30^\circ$ . (Neglect all losses for the motor.) Find  $I_S$ ,  $P_{in}$  (to the motor), the overall power factor (i.e., angle between  $I_1$  and  $V_S$ ), and the total power drawn from the line.

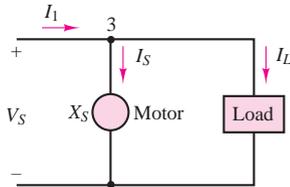


Figure P14.46

- 14.47** A four-pole, three-phase, Y-connected, non-salient pole synchronous motor has a synchronous reactance of  $10 \Omega$ . This motor is connected to a  $230\sqrt{3}$  V (line to line), 60-Hz, three-phase line and is driving a load such that  $T_{shaft} = 30$  N-m. The line current is 15 A, leading the phase voltage. Assuming that all losses can be neglected, determine the power angle  $\delta$  and  $E$  for this condition. If the load is removed, what is the line current, and is it leading or lagging the voltage?
- 14.48** A 10-hp, 230-V, 60 Hz, three-phase, Y-connected synchronous motor delivers full load at a power factor of 0.8 leading. The synchronous reactance is  $6 \Omega$ , the rotational loss is 230 W, and the field loss is 50 W. Find
- The armature current.
  - The motor efficiency.
  - The power angle.
- Neglect the stator winding resistance.
- 14.49** A 2,000-hp, unity power factor, three-phase, Y-connected, 2,300-V, 30-pole, 60-Hz synchronous motor has a synchronous reactance of  $1.95 \Omega$  per phase. Neglect all losses. Find the maximum power and torque.
- 14.50** A 1,200-V, three-phase, Y-connected synchronous motor takes 110 kW (exclusive of field

winding loss) when operated under a certain load at 1,200 r/min. The back emf of the motor is 2,000 V. The synchronous reactance is  $10 \Omega$  per phase, with negligible winding resistance. Find the line current and the torque developed by the motor.

- 14.51** The per-phase impedance of a 600-V, three-phase, Y-connected synchronous motor is  $5 + j50 \Omega$ . The motor takes 24 kW at a leading power factor of 0.707. Determine the induced voltage and the power angle of the motor.

### Section 14.8: The Induction Motor

- 14.52** A 74.6-kW, three-phase, 440-V (line to line), four-pole, 60-Hz induction motor has the following (per-phase) parameters referred to the stator circuit:

$$R_S = 0.06 \Omega \quad X_S = 0.3 \Omega \quad X_m = 5 \Omega$$

$$R_R = 0.08 \Omega \quad X_R = 0.3 \Omega$$

The no-load power input is 3,240 W at a current of 45 A. Determine the line current, input power, developed torque, shaft torque, and efficiency at  $s = 0.02$ .

- 14.53** A 60-Hz, four-pole, Y-connected induction motor is connected to a 400-V (line to line), three-phase, 60-Hz line. The equivalent circuit parameters are

$$R_S = 0.2 \Omega \quad R_R = 0.1 \Omega$$

$$X_S = 0.5 \Omega \quad X_R = 0.2 \Omega$$

$$X_m = 20 \Omega$$

When the machine is running at 1,755 r/min, the total rotational and stray-load losses are 800 W. Determine the slip, input current, total input power, mechanical power developed, shaft torque, and efficiency.

- 14.54** A three-phase, 60-Hz induction motor has eight poles and operates with a slip of 0.05 for a certain load. Determine
- The speed of the rotor with respect to the stator.
  - The speed of the rotor with respect to the stator magnetic field.
  - The speed of the rotor magnetic field with respect to the rotor.
  - The speed of the rotor magnetic field with respect to the stator magnetic field.
- 14.55** A three-phase, two-pole, 400-V (per phase), 60-Hz induction motor develops 37 kW (total) of mechanical power  $P_m$  at a certain speed. The rotational loss at this speed is 800 W (total). (Stray-load loss is negligible.)
- If the total power transferred to the rotor is 40 kW, determine the slip and the output torque.

- b. If the total power into the motor  $P_{in}$  is 45 kW and  $R_S$  is  $0.5 \Omega$ , find  $I_S$  and the power factor.

- 14.56** The nameplate speed of a 25-Hz induction motor is 720 r/min. If the speed at no load is 745 r/min, calculate
- The slip.
  - The percent regulation.
- 14.57** The nameplate of a squirrel cage four-pole induction motor has the following information: 25 hp, 220 V, three-phase, 60 Hz, 830 r/min, 64-A line current. If the motor draws 20,800 W when operating at full load, calculate
- Slip.
  - Percent regulation if the no-load speed is 895 r/min.
  - Power factor.
  - Torque.
  - Efficiency.
- 14.58** A 60-Hz, four-pole, Y-connected induction motor is connected to a 200-V (line to line), three-phase, 60-Hz line. The equivalent circuit parameters are
- $$R_S = 0.48 \Omega \quad \text{Rotational loss torque} = 3.5 \text{ N-m}$$
- $$X_S = 0.8 \Omega \quad R_R = 0.42 \Omega \text{ (referred to stator)}$$
- $$X_m = 30 \Omega \quad X_R = 0.8 \Omega \text{ (referred to stator)}$$
- The motor is operating at slip  $s = 0.04$ . Determine the input current, input power, mechanical power, and shaft torque (assuming that stray-load losses are negligible).
- 14.59**
- A three-phase, 220-V, 60-Hz induction motor runs at 1,140 r/min. Determine the number of poles (for minimum slip), the slip, and the frequency of the rotor currents.
  - To reduce the starting current, a three-phase squirrel cage induction motor is started by reducing the line voltage to  $V_s/2$ . By what factor are the starting torque and the starting current reduced?
- 14.60** A six-pole induction motor for vehicle traction has a 50-kW input electric power rating and is 85 percent efficient. If the supply is 220 V at 60 Hz, compute the motor speed and torque at a slip of 0.04.
- 14.61** An AC induction machine has six poles and is designed for 60-Hz, 240-V (rms) operation. When the machine operates with 10 percent slip, it produces 60 N-m of torque.

- The machine is now used in conjunction with a friction load which opposes a torque of 50 N-m. Determine the speed and slip of the machine when used with the above-mentioned load.
- If the machine has an efficiency of 92 percent, what minimum rms current is required for operation with the load of part a?

*Hint:* You may assume that the speed–torque curve is approximately linear in the region of interest.

- 14.62** A blocked-rotor test was performed on a 5-hp, 220-V, four-pole, 60-Hz, three-phase induction motor. The following data were obtained:  $V = 48 \text{ V}$ ,  $I = 18 \text{ A}$ ,  $P = 610 \text{ W}$ . Calculate
- The equivalent stator resistance per phase  $R_S$ .
  - The equivalent rotor resistance per phase  $R_R$ .
  - The equivalent blocked-rotor reactance per phase  $X_R$ .

- 14.63** Calculate the starting torque of the motor of Problem 14.62 when it is started at
- 220 V
  - 110 V

The starting torque equation is

$$T = \frac{m}{\omega_e} \cdot V_S^2 \cdot \frac{R_R}{(R_R + R_S)^2 + (X_R + X_S)^2}$$

- 14.64** A four-pole, three-phase induction motor drives a turbine load. At a certain operating point the machine has 4 percent slip and 87 percent efficiency. The motor drives a turbine with torque–speed characteristic given by  $T_L = 20 + 0.006\omega^2$ . Determine the torque at the motor-turbine shaft and the total power delivered to the turbine. What is the total power consumed by the motor?
- 14.65** A four-pole, three-phase induction motor rotates at 1,700 r/min when the load is 100 N-m. The motor is 88 percent efficient.
- Determine the slip at this operating condition.
  - For a constant-power, 10-kW load, determine the operating speed of the machine.
  - Sketch the motor and load torque–speed curves on the same graph. Show numerical values.
  - What is the total power consumed by the motor?

- 14.66** Find the speed of the rotating field of a six-pole, three-phase motor connected to (a) a 60-Hz line and (b) a 50-Hz line, in revolutions per minute and radians per second.

**14.67** A six-pole, three-phase, 440-V, 60-Hz induction motor has the following model impedances:

$$R_S = 0.8 \, \Omega \quad X_S = 0.7 \, \Omega$$

$$R_R = 0.3 \, \Omega \quad X_R = 0.7 \, \Omega$$

$$X_m = 35 \, \Omega$$

Calculate the input current and power factor of the motor for a speed of 1,200 r/min.

**14.68** An eight-pole, three-phase, 220-V, 60-Hz induction motor has the following model impedances:

$$R_S = 0.78 \, \Omega \quad X_S = 0.56 \, \Omega \quad X_m = 32 \, \Omega$$

$$R_R = 0.28 \, \Omega \quad X_R = 0.84 \, \Omega$$

Find the input current and power factor of this motor for  $s = 0.02$ .

**14.69** A nameplate is given in Example 14.2. Find the rated torque, rated voltamperes, and maximum continuous output power for this motor.

**14.70** A three-phase induction motor, at rated voltage and frequency, has a starting torque of 140 percent and a maximum torque of 210 percent of full-load torque. Neglect stator resistance and rotational losses and assume constant rotor resistance. Determine

- The slip at full load.
- The slip at maximum torque.
- The rotor current at starting as a percentage of full-load rotor current.

**14.71** A 60-Hz, four-pole, three-phase induction motor delivers 35 kW of mechanical (output) power. At a

certain operating point the machine has 4 percent slip and 87 percent efficiency. Determine the torque delivered to the load and the total electrical (input) power consumed by the motor.

**14.72** A four-pole, three-phase induction motor rotates at 16,800 r/min when the load is 140 N-m. The motor is 85 percent efficient.

- Determine the slip at this operating condition.
- For a constant-power, 20-kW load, determine the operating speed of the machine.
- Sketch the motor and load torque–speed curves for the load of part b. on the same graph. Show numerical values.

**14.73** An AC induction machine has six poles and is designed for 60-Hz, 240-V (rms) operation. When the machine operates with 10 percent slip, it produces 60 N-m of torque.

- The machine is now used in conjunction with an 800-W constant power load. Determine the speed and slip of the machine when used with the above-mentioned load.
- If the machine has an efficiency of 89 percent, what minimum rms current is required for operation with the load of part a?

*Hint:* You may assume that the speed–torque curve is approximately linear in the region of interest.

# A P P E N D I X

## A

# LINEAR ALGEBRA AND COMPLEX NUMBERS

## A.1 SOLVING SIMULTANEOUS LINEAR EQUATIONS, CRAMER'S RULE, AND MATRIX EQUATION

The solution of simultaneous equations, such as those that are often seen in circuit theory, may be obtained relatively easily by using Cramer's rule. This method applies to  $2 \times 2$  or larger systems of equations. Cramer's rule requires the use of the concept of determinant. Linear, or matrix, algebra is valuable because it is systematic, general, and useful in solving complicated problems. A determinant is a scalar defined on a square array of numbers, or matrix, such as

$$\det(A) = |A| = \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{vmatrix} \quad (\text{A.1})$$

In this case the matrix is a  $2 \times 2$  array with two rows and two columns, and its determinant is defined as

$$\det = a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12}a_{21} \quad (\text{A.2})$$

A third-order, or  $3 \times 3$ , determinant such as

$$\det(A) = \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} \quad (\text{A.3})$$

is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \det &= a_{11}(a_{22}a_{33} - a_{23}a_{32}) - a_{12}(a_{21}a_{33} - a_{23}a_{31}) \\ &\quad + a_{13}(a_{21}a_{32} - a_{22}a_{31}) \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A.4})$$

For higher-order determinants, you may refer to a linear algebra book. To illustrate Cramer's method, a set of two equations in general form will be solved here. A set of two linear simultaneous algebraic equations in two unknowns can be written in the form

$$\begin{aligned} a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 &= b_1 \\ a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 &= b_2 \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A.5})$$

where  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  are the two unknowns. The coefficients  $a_{11}$ ,  $a_{12}$ ,  $a_{21}$ , and  $a_{22}$  are known quantities. The two quantities on the right-hand sides,  $b_1$  and  $b_2$ , are also known (these are typically the source currents and voltages in a circuit problem). The set of equations can be arranged in matrix form, as shown in equation A.6.

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{A.6})$$

In equation A.6, a coefficient matrix multiplied by a vector of unknown variables is equated to a right-hand-side vector. Cramer's rule can then be applied to find  $x_1$  and  $x_2$ , using the following formulas:

$$x_1 = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} b_1 & a_{12} \\ b_2 & a_{22} \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{vmatrix}} \quad x_2 = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & b_1 \\ a_{21} & b_2 \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{vmatrix}} \quad (\text{A.7})$$

Thus, the solution is given by the ratio of two determinants: the denominator is the determinant of the matrix of coefficients, while the numerator is the determinant of the same matrix with the right-hand-side vector  $\begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \end{bmatrix}$  (in this case) substituted in place of the column of the coefficient matrix corresponding to the desired variable (i.e., first column for  $x_1$ , second column for  $x_2$ , etc.). In a circuit analysis problem, the coefficient matrix is formed by the resistance (or conductance) values, the vector of unknowns is composed of the mesh currents (or node voltages), and the right-hand-side vector contains the source currents or voltages.

In practice, many calculations involve solving higher-order systems of linear equations. Therefore, a variety of computer software packages are often used to solve higher-order systems of linear equations.

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## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

**A.1** Use Cramer's rule to solve the system

$$5v_1 + 4v_2 = 6$$

$$3v_1 + 2v_2 = 4$$

**A.2** Use Cramer’s rule to solve the system

$$\begin{aligned} i_1 + 2i_2 + i_3 &= 6 \\ i_1 + i_2 - 2i_3 &= 1 \\ i_1 - i_2 + i_3 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

**A.3** Convert the following system of linear equations into a matrix equation as shown in equation A.6, and find matrices  $A$  and  $b$ .

$$\begin{aligned} 2i_1 - 2i_2 + 3i_3 &= -10 \\ -3i_1 + 3i_2 - 2i_3 + i_4 &= -2 \\ 5i_1 - i_2 + 4i_3 - 4i_4 &= 4 \\ i_1 - 4i_2 + i_3 + 2i_4 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Answers:  $v_1 = 2, v_2 = -1, i_1 = 1, i_2 = 1, i_3 = 2, i_4 = 1$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 & 3 & 0 \\ -3 & 3 & -2 & 1 \\ 5 & -1 & 4 & -4 \\ 1 & -4 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad b = \begin{bmatrix} -10 \\ -2 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

## A.2 INTRODUCTION TO COMPLEX ALGEBRA

From your earliest training in arithmetic, you have dealt with real numbers such as 4,  $-2$ ,  $\frac{5}{9}$ ,  $\pi$ ,  $e$ , and so on, which may be used to measure distances in one direction or another from a fixed point. However, a number that satisfies the equation

$$x^2 + 9 = 0 \tag{A.8}$$

is not a real number. Imaginary numbers were introduced to solve equations such as equation A.8. Imaginary numbers add a new dimension to our number system. To deal with imaginary numbers, a new element,  $j$ , is added to the number system having the property

$$j^2 = -1 \tag{A.9}$$

or

$$j = \sqrt{-1} \tag{A.10}$$

Thus, we have  $j^3 = -j, j^4 = 1, j^5 = j$ , and so on. Using equation A.9, you can see that the solutions to equation A.8 are  $\pm j3$ . In mathematics, the symbol  $i$  is used for the imaginary unit, but this might be confused with current in electrical engineering. Therefore, the symbol  $j$  is used in this book.

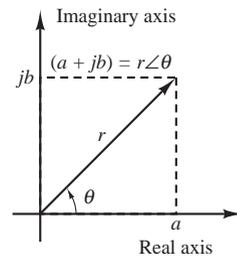
A complex number (indicated in boldface notation) is an expression of the form

$$\mathbf{A} = a + jb \tag{A.11}$$

where  $a$  and  $b$  are real numbers. The complex number  $\mathbf{A}$  has a real part  $a$  and an imaginary part  $b$ , which can be expressed as

$$\begin{aligned} a &= \text{Re } \mathbf{A} \\ b &= \text{Im } \mathbf{A} \end{aligned} \tag{A.12}$$

It is important to note that  $a$  and  $b$  are both real numbers. The complex number  $a + jb$  can be represented on a rectangular coordinate plane, called the *complex plane*, by interpreting it as a point  $(a, b)$ . That is, the horizontal coordinate is  $a$  in real axis, and the vertical coordinate is  $b$  in imaginary axis, as shown in Figure A.1. The complex number  $\mathbf{A} = a + jb$  can also be



**Figure A.1** Polar form representation of complex numbers

uniquely located in the complex plane by specifying the distance  $r$  along a straight line from the origin and the angle  $\theta$ , which this line makes with the real axis, as shown in Figure A.1. From the right triangle of Figure A.1, we can see that

$$\begin{aligned} r &= \sqrt{a^2 + b^2} \\ \theta &= \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{b}{a} \right) \\ a &= r \cos \theta \\ b &= r \sin \theta \end{aligned} \tag{A.12}$$

Then we can represent a complex number by the expression

$$\mathbf{A} = re^{j\theta} = r\angle\theta \tag{A.13}$$

which is called the polar form of the complex number. The number  $r$  is called the magnitude (or amplitude), and the number  $\theta$  is called the angle (or argument). The two numbers are usually denoted by  $r = |\mathbf{A}|$  and  $\theta = \arg \mathbf{A} = \angle \mathbf{A}$ .

Given a complex number  $\mathbf{A} = a + jb$ , the *complex conjugate* of  $\mathbf{A}$ , denoted by the symbol  $\mathbf{A}^*$ , is defined by the following equalities:

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Re} \mathbf{A}^* &= \operatorname{Re} \mathbf{A} \\ \operatorname{Im} \mathbf{A}^* &= -\operatorname{Im} \mathbf{A} \end{aligned} \tag{A.14}$$

That is, the sign of the imaginary part is reversed in the complex conjugate.

Finally, we should remark that two complex numbers are equal *if and only if* the real parts are equal and the imaginary parts are equal. This is equivalent to stating that two complex numbers are equal only if their magnitudes are equal and their arguments are equal.

The following examples and exercises should help clarify these explanations.

### EXAMPLE A.1

Convert the complex number  $\mathbf{A} = 3 + j4$  to its polar form.

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned} r &= \sqrt{3^2 + 4^2} = 5 & \theta &= \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{4}{3} \right) = 53.13^\circ \\ \mathbf{A} &= 5\angle 53.13^\circ \end{aligned}$$

### EXAMPLE A.2

Convert the number  $\mathbf{A} = 4\angle(-60^\circ)$  to its complex form.

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned} a &= 4 \cos(-60^\circ) = 4 \cos(60^\circ) = 2 \\ b &= 4 \sin(-60^\circ) = -4 \sin(60^\circ) = -2\sqrt{3} \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $\mathbf{A} = 2 - j2\sqrt{3}$

*Addition and subtraction* of complex numbers take place according to the following rules:

$$\begin{aligned}(a_1 + jb_1) + (a_2 + jb_2) &= (a_1 + a_2) + j(b_1 + b_2) \\ (a_1 + jb_1) - (a_2 + jb_2) &= (a_1 - a_2) + j(b_1 - b_2)\end{aligned}\tag{A.15}$$

*Multiplication* of complex numbers in polar form follows the law of exponents. That is, the magnitude of the product is the product of the individual magnitudes, and the angle of the product is the sum of the individual angles, as shown below.

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{B} = (Ae^{j\theta})(Be^{j\phi}) = AB e^{j(\theta+\phi)} = AB \angle(\theta + \phi)\tag{A.16}$$

If the numbers are given in rectangular form and the product is desired in rectangular form, it may be more convenient to perform the multiplication directly, using the rule that  $j^2 = -1$ , as illustrated in equation A.17.

$$\begin{aligned}(a_1 + jb_1)(a_2 + jb_2) &= a_1a_2 + ja_1b_2 + ja_2b_1 + j^2b_1b_2 \\ &= (a_1a_2 + j^2b_1b_2) + j(a_1b_2 + a_2b_1) \\ &= (a_1a_2 - b_1b_2) + j(a_1b_2 + a_2b_1)\end{aligned}\tag{A.17}$$

*Division* of complex numbers in polar form follows the law of exponents. That is, the magnitude of the quotient is the quotient of the magnitudes, and the angle of the quotient is the difference of the angles, as shown in equation A.18.

$$\frac{\mathbf{A}}{\mathbf{B}} = \frac{Ae^{j\theta}}{Be^{j\phi}} = \frac{A \angle \theta}{B \angle \phi} = \frac{A}{B} \angle(\theta - \phi)\tag{A.18}$$

Division in the rectangular form can be accomplished by multiplying the numerator and denominator by the complex conjugate of the denominator. Multiplying the denominator by its complex conjugate converts the denominator to a real number and simplifies division. This is shown in Example A.4. Powers and roots of a complex number in polar form follow the laws of exponents, as shown in equations A.19 and A.20.

$$\mathbf{A}^n = (Ae^{j\theta})^n = A^n e^{jn\theta} = A^n \angle n\theta\tag{A.19}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{A}^{1/n} &= (Ae^{j\theta})^{1/n} = A^{1/n} e^{j1/n\theta} \\ &= \sqrt[n]{A} \angle \left( \frac{\theta + k2\pi}{n} \right) \quad k = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots\end{aligned}\tag{A.20}$$

### EXAMPLE A.3

Perform the following operations, given that  $\mathbf{A} = 2 + j3$  and  $\mathbf{B} = 5 - j4$ .

(a)  $\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}$     (b)  $\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}$     (c)  $2\mathbf{A} + 3\mathbf{B}$

#### Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B} &= (2 + 5) + j[3 + (-4)] = 7 - j \\ \mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B} &= (2 - 5) + j[3 - (-4)] = -3 + j7\end{aligned}$$

For part (c),  $2\mathbf{A} = 4 + j6$  and  $3\mathbf{B} = 15 - j12$ . Thus,  $2\mathbf{A} + 3\mathbf{B} = (4 + 15) + j[6 + (-12)] = 19 - j6$

**EXAMPLE A.4**

Perform the following operations in both rectangular and polar form, given that  $\mathbf{A} = 3 + j3$  and  $\mathbf{B} = 1 + j\sqrt{3}$ .

- (a)  $\mathbf{AB}$       (b)  $\mathbf{A} \div \mathbf{B}$

**Solution:**

- (a) In rectangular form:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{AB} &= (3 + j3)(1 + j\sqrt{3}) = 3 + j3\sqrt{3} + j3 + j^2 3\sqrt{3} \\ &= (3 + j^2 3\sqrt{3}) + j(3 + 3\sqrt{3}) \\ &= (3 - 3\sqrt{3}) + j(3 + 3\sqrt{3})\end{aligned}$$

To obtain the answer in polar form, we need to convert  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  to their polar forms:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{A} &= 3\sqrt{2}e^{j45^\circ} = 3\sqrt{2}\angle 45^\circ \\ \mathbf{B} &= \sqrt{4}e^{j60^\circ} = 2\angle 60^\circ\end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\mathbf{AB} = (3\sqrt{2}e^{j45^\circ})(\sqrt{4}e^{j60^\circ}) = 6\sqrt{2}\angle 105^\circ$$

- (b) To find  $\mathbf{A} \div \mathbf{B}$  in rectangular form, we can multiply  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  by  $\mathbf{B}^*$ .

$$\frac{\mathbf{A}}{\mathbf{B}} = \frac{3 + j3}{1 + j\sqrt{3}} \frac{1 - j\sqrt{3}}{1 - j\sqrt{3}}$$

Then

$$\frac{\mathbf{A}}{\mathbf{B}} = \frac{(3 + 3\sqrt{3}) + j(3 - 3\sqrt{3})}{4}$$

In polar form, the same operation may be performed as follows:

$$\frac{\mathbf{A}}{\mathbf{B}} = \frac{3\sqrt{2}\angle 45^\circ}{2\angle 60^\circ} = \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2}\angle (45^\circ - 60^\circ) = \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2}\angle (-15^\circ)$$

**Euler's Identity**

This formula extends the usual definition of the exponential function to allow for complex numbers as arguments. Euler's identity states that

$$e^{j\theta} = \cos \theta + j \sin \theta \tag{A.21}$$

All the standard trigonometry formulas in the complex plane are direct consequences of Euler's identity. The two important formulas are

$$\cos \theta = \frac{e^{j\theta} + e^{-j\theta}}{2} \quad \sin \theta = \frac{e^{j\theta} - e^{-j\theta}}{2j} \tag{A.22}$$

**EXAMPLE A.5**

Using Euler's formula, show that

$$\cos \theta = \frac{e^{j\theta} + e^{-j\theta}}{2}$$

**Solution:**

Using Euler's formula gives

$$e^{j\theta} = \cos \theta + j \sin \theta$$

Extending the above formula, we can obtain

$$e^{-j\theta} = \cos(-\theta) + j \sin(-\theta) = \cos \theta - j \sin \theta$$

Thus,

$$\cos \theta = \frac{e^{j\theta} + e^{-j\theta}}{2}$$

**CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING**

- A.4** In a certain AC circuit,  $V = ZI$ , where  $Z = 7.75 \angle 90^\circ$  and  $I = 2 \angle -45^\circ$ . Find  $V$ .
- A.5** In a certain AC circuit,  $V = ZI$ , where  $Z = 5 \angle 82^\circ$  and  $V = 30 \angle 45^\circ$ . Find  $I$ .
- A.6** Show that the polar form of  $\mathbf{AB}$  in Example A.4 is equivalent to its rectangular form.
- A.7** Show that the polar form of  $\mathbf{A} \div \mathbf{B}$  in Example A.4 is equivalent to its rectangular form.
- A.8** Using Euler's formula, show that  $\sin \theta = (e^{j\theta} - e^{-j\theta})/2j$ .

Answers:  $V = 15.5 \angle 45^\circ$ ;  $I = 6 \angle -37^\circ$



# A P P E N D I X

# B

## THE LAPLACE TRANSFORM

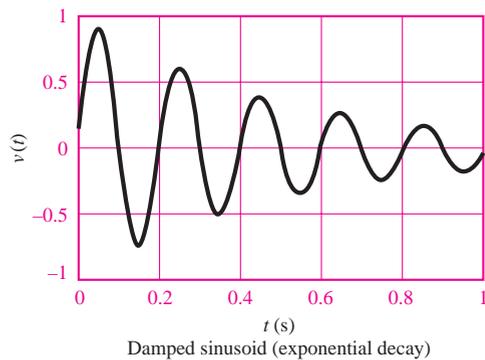
### B.1 COMPLEX FREQUENCY AND THE LAPLACE TRANSFORM

The transient analysis methods illustrated in Chapter 5 for first- and second-order circuits can become rather cumbersome when applied to higher-order circuits. Moreover, solving the differential equations directly does not reveal the strong connection that exists between the transient response and the frequency response of a circuit. The aim of this section is to introduce an alternate solution method based on the notions of complex frequency and of the **Laplace transform**. The concepts presented will demonstrate that the frequency response of linear circuits is but a special case of the general transient response of the circuit, when analyzed by means of Laplace methods. In addition, the use of the Laplace transform method allows the introduction of *systems* concepts, such as poles, zeros, and transfer functions, that cannot be otherwise recognized.

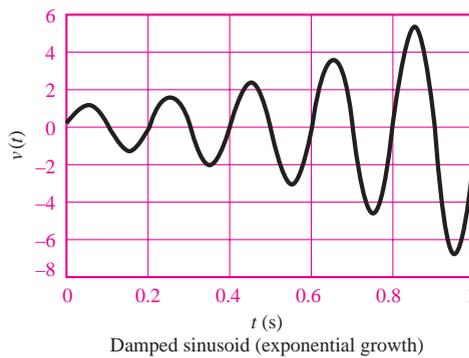
#### Complex Frequency

In Chapter 4, we considered circuits with sinusoidal excitations such as

$$v(t) = A \cos(\omega t + \phi) \quad (\text{B.1})$$



**Figure B.1(a)** Damped sinusoid: negative  $\sigma$



**Figure B.1(b)** Damped sinusoid: positive  $\sigma$

which we also wrote in the equivalent phasor form

$$\mathbf{V}(j\omega) = Ae^{j\phi} = A\angle\phi \quad (\text{B.2})$$

The two expressions just given are related by

$$v(t) = \text{Re}(\mathbf{V}e^{j\omega t}) \quad (\text{B.3})$$

As was shown in Chapter 4, phasor notation is extremely useful in solving AC steady-state circuits, in which the voltages and currents are *steady-state sinusoids*. We now consider a different class of waveforms, useful in the transient analysis of circuits, namely, *damped sinusoids*. The most general form of a damped sinusoid is

$$v(t) = Ae^{\sigma t} \cos(\omega t + \phi) \quad (\text{B.4})$$

As one can see, a damped sinusoid is a sinusoid multiplied by a real exponential  $e^{\sigma t}$ . The constant  $\sigma$  is real and is usually zero or negative in most practical circuits. Figure B.1(a) and (b) depicts the case of a damped sinusoid with negative  $\sigma$  and with positive  $\sigma$ , respectively. Note that the case of  $\sigma = 0$  corresponds exactly to a sinusoidal waveform. The definition of phasor voltages and currents given in Chapter 4 can easily be extended to account for the case of damped sinusoidal waveforms by defining a new variable  $s$ , called the *complex frequency*:

$$s = \sigma + j\omega \quad (\text{B.5})$$

Note that the special case of  $\sigma = 0$  corresponds to  $s = j\omega$ , that is, the familiar steady-state sinusoidal (phasor) case. We shall now refer to the complex variable  $\mathbf{V}(s)$  as the **complex frequency domain** representation of  $v(t)$ . It should be observed that from the viewpoint of circuit analysis, the use of the Laplace transform is analogous to phasor analysis; that is, substituting the variable  $s$  wherever  $j\omega$  was used is the only step required to describe a circuit using the new notation.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

**B.1** Find the complex frequencies that are associated with

- a.  $5e^{-4t}$     b.  $\cos 2\omega t$     c.  $\sin(\omega t + 2\theta)$     d.  $4e^{-2t} \sin(3t - 50^\circ)$     e.  $e^{-3t}(2 + \cos 4t)$

**B.2** Find  $s$  and  $\mathbf{V}(s)$  if  $v(t)$  is given by

- a.  $5e^{-2t}$     b.  $5e^{-2t} \cos(4t + 10^\circ)$     c.  $4 \cos(2t - 20^\circ)$

**B.3** Find  $v(t)$  if

a.  $s = -2$ ,  $\mathbf{V} = 2\angle 0^\circ$       b.  $s = j2$ ,  $\mathbf{V} = 12\angle -30^\circ$       c.  $s = -4 + j3$ ,  $\mathbf{V} = 6\angle 10^\circ$

Answers: **B.1:** a.  $-4$ ; b.  $\pm j2\omega$ ; c.  $\pm j\omega$ ; d.  $-2 \pm j3$ ; e.  $-3$  and  $-3 \pm j4$ . **B.2:** a.  $-2$ ,  $5\angle 0^\circ$ ; b.  $-2 + j4$ ,  $5\angle 10^\circ$ ; c.  $j2$ ,  $4\angle -20^\circ$ . **B.3:** a.  $2e^{-2t}$ ; b.  $12\cos(2t - 30^\circ)$ ; c.  $6e^{-4t}\cos(3t + 10^\circ)$

All the concepts and rules used in AC network analysis (see Chapter 4), such as impedance, admittance, KVL, KCL, and Thévenin's and Norton's theorems, carry over to the damped sinusoid case exactly. In the complex frequency domain, the current  $\mathbf{I}(s)$  and voltage  $\mathbf{V}(s)$  are related by the expression

$$\mathbf{V}(s) = Z(s)\mathbf{I}(s) \quad (\text{B.6})$$

where  $Z(s)$  is the familiar impedance, with  $s$  replacing  $j\omega$ . We may obtain  $Z(s)$  from  $Z(j\omega)$  by simply replacing  $j\omega$  by  $s$ . For a resistance  $R$ , the impedance is

$$Z_R(s) = R \quad (\text{B.7})$$

For an inductance  $L$ , the impedance is

$$Z_L(s) = sL \quad (\text{B.8})$$

For a capacitance  $C$ , it is

$$Z_C(s) = \frac{1}{sC} \quad (\text{B.9})$$

Impedances in series or parallel are combined in exactly the same way as in the AC steady-state case, since we only replace  $j\omega$  by  $s$ .

### EXAMPLE B.1 Complex Frequency Notation

**Problem:**

Use complex impedance ideas to determine the response of a series  $RL$  circuit to a damped exponential voltage.

**Solution:**

**Known Quantities:** Source voltage, resistor, inductor values.

**Find:** The time-domain expression for the series current  $i_L(t)$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $v_s(t) = 10e^{-2t}\cos(5t)$  V;  $R = 4\ \Omega$ ;  $L = 2$  H.

**Assumptions:** None.

**Analysis:** The input voltage phasor can be represented by the expression

$$\mathbf{V}(s) = 10\angle 0^\circ \text{ V}$$

The impedance seen by the voltage source is

$$Z(s) = R + sL = 4 + 2s$$

Thus, the series current is

$$\mathbf{I}(s) = \frac{\mathbf{V}(s)}{Z(s)} = \frac{10}{4 + 2s} = \frac{10}{4 + 2(-2 + j5)} = \frac{10}{j10} = j1 = 1\angle\left(-\frac{\pi}{2}\right)$$

Finally, the time-domain expression for the current is

$$i_L(t) = e^{-2t} \cos(5t - \pi/2) \quad \text{A}$$

**Comments:** The phasor analysis method illustrated here is completely analogous to the method introduced in Chapter 4, with the complex frequency  $j\omega$  (steady-state sinusoidal frequency) related by  $s$  (damped sinusoidal frequency).

Just as frequency response functions  $H(j\omega)$  were defined in this appendix, it is possible to define a **transfer function**  $H(s)$ . This can be a ratio of a voltage to a current, a ratio of a voltage to a voltage, a ratio of a current to a current, or a ratio of a current to a voltage. The transfer function  $H(s)$  is a function of network elements and their interconnections. Using the transfer function and knowing the input (voltage or current) to a circuit, we can find an expression for the output either in the complex frequency domain or in the time domain. As an example, suppose  $\mathbf{V}_i(s)$  and  $\mathbf{V}_o(s)$  are the input and output voltages to a circuit, respectively, in complex frequency notation. Then

$$H(s) = \frac{\mathbf{V}_o(s)}{\mathbf{V}_i(s)} \quad (\text{B.10})$$

from which we can obtain the output in the complex frequency domain by computing

$$\mathbf{V}_o(s) = H(s)\mathbf{V}_i(s) \quad (\text{B.11})$$

If  $\mathbf{V}_i(s)$  is a known damped sinusoid, we can then proceed to determine  $v_o(t)$  by means of the method illustrated earlier in this section.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

**B.4** Given the transfer function  $H(s) = 3(s+2)/(s^2+2s+3)$  and the input  $\mathbf{V}_i(s) = 4\angle 0^\circ$ , find the forced response  $v_o(t)$  if

a.  $s = -1$       b.  $s = -1 + j1$       c.  $s = -2 + j1$

**B.5** Given the transfer function  $H(s) = 2(s+4)/(s^2+4s+5)$  and the input  $\mathbf{V}_i(s) = 6\angle 30^\circ$ , find the forced response  $v_o(t)$  if

a.  $s = -4 + j1$       b.  $s = -2 + j2$

**Answers:** **B.4:** a.  $6e^{-t}$ ; b.  $12\sqrt{2}e^{-t}\cos(t+45^\circ)$ ; c.  $6e^{-2t}\cos(t+135^\circ)$ .  
**B.5:** a.  $3e^{-4t}\cos(t+165^\circ)$ ; b.  $8\sqrt{2}e^{-2t}\cos(2t-105^\circ)$ .

## The Laplace Transform

The Laplace transform, named after the French mathematician and astronomer Pierre Simon de Laplace, is defined by

$$\mathcal{L}[f(t)] = F(s) = \int_0^{\infty} f(t)e^{-st} dt \quad (\text{B.12})$$

The function  $F(s)$  is the Laplace transform of  $f(t)$  and is a function of the complex frequency  $s = \sigma + j\omega$ , considered earlier in this section. Note that the function  $f(t)$  is defined only for  $t \geq 0$ . This definition of the Laplace transform applies to what is known as the **one-sided** or **unilateral Laplace transform**, since  $f(t)$  is evaluated only for positive  $t$ . To conveniently express arbitrary functions only for positive time, we introduce a special function called the **unit step function**  $u(t)$ , defined by the expression

$$u(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & t < 0 \\ 1 & t > 0 \end{cases} \quad (\text{B.13})$$

### EXAMPLE B.2 Computing a Laplace Transform

**Problem:**

Find the Laplace transform of  $f(t) = e^{-at}u(t)$ .

**Solution:**

**Known Quantities:** Function to be Laplace-transformed.

**Find:**  $F(s) = \mathcal{L}[f(t)]$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $f(t) = e^{-at}u(t)$ .

**Assumptions:** None.

**Analysis:** From equation B.12,

$$F(s) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-at}e^{-st} dt = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-(s+a)t} dt = \frac{1}{s+a} e^{-(s+a)t} \Big|_0^{\infty} = \frac{1}{s+a}$$

**Comments:** Table B.1 contains a list of common Laplace transform pairs.

### EXAMPLE B.3 Computing a Laplace Transform

**Problem:**

Find the Laplace transform of  $f(t) = \cos(\omega t)u(t)$ .

**Solution:**

**Known Quantities:** Function to be Laplace-transformed.

**Find:**  $F(s) = \mathcal{L}[f(t)]$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**  $f(t) = \cos(\omega t)u(t)$ .

**Assumptions:** None.

**Analysis:** Using equation B.12 and applying Euler’s identity to  $\cos(\omega t)$  give:

$$\begin{aligned}
 F(s) &= \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{2}(e^{j\omega t} + e^{-j\omega t})e^{-st} dt = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\infty (e^{(-s+j\omega)t} + e^{(-s-j\omega)t}) dt \\
 &= \frac{1}{-s+j\omega} e^{(-s+j\omega)t} \Big|_0^\infty + \frac{1}{-s-j\omega} e^{(-s-j\omega)t} \Big|_0^\infty \\
 &= \frac{1}{-s+j\omega} + \frac{1}{-s-j\omega} = \frac{s}{s^2 + \omega^2}
 \end{aligned}$$

**Comments:** Table B.1 contains a list of common Laplace transform pairs.

**Table B.1** Laplace transform pairs

$f(t)$	$F(s)$
$\delta(t)$ (unit impulse)	1
$u(t)$ (unit step)	$\frac{1}{s}$
$e^{-at}u(t)$	$\frac{1}{s+a}$
$\sin \omega t u(t)$	$\frac{\omega}{s^2 + \omega^2}$
$\cos \omega t u(t)$	$\frac{s}{s^2 + \omega^2}$
$e^{-at} \sin \omega t u(t)$	$\frac{\omega}{(s+a)^2 + \omega^2}$
$e^{-at} \cos \omega t u(t)$	$\frac{s+a}{(s+a)^2 + \omega^2}$
$tu(t)$	$\frac{1}{s^2}$

### CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

**B.6** Find the Laplace transform of the following functions:

- a.  $u(t)$     b.  $\sin(\omega t) u(t)$     c.  $tu(t)$

**B.7** Find the Laplace transform of the following functions:

- a.  $e^{-at} \sin \omega t u(t)$     b.  $e^{-at} \cos \omega t u(t)$

Answers: **B.6:** a.  $\frac{1}{s}$ ; b.  $\frac{\omega}{s^2 + \omega^2}$ ; c.  $\frac{1}{s^2}$ ; **B.7:** a.  $\frac{\omega}{(s+a)^2 + \omega^2}$ ; b.  $\frac{s+a}{(s+a)^2 + \omega^2}$ .

From what has been said so far about the Laplace transform, it is obvious that we may compile a lengthy table of functions and their Laplace transforms by repeated application of equation B.12 for various functions of time  $f(t)$ . Then we could obtain a wide variety of inverse transforms by matching entries in the table. Table B.1 lists some of the more common **Laplace transform pairs**. The computation of the **inverse Laplace transform** is in general rather complex if one wishes to consider arbitrary functions of  $s$ . In many practical cases, however, it is possible to use combinations of known transform pairs to obtain the desired result.

### EXAMPLE B.4 Computing an Inverse Laplace Transform

**Problem:**

Find the inverse Laplace transform of

$$F(s) = \frac{2}{s+3} + \frac{4}{s^2+4} + \frac{4}{s}$$

**Solution:**

**Known Quantities:** Function to be inverse Laplace-transformed.

**Find:**  $f(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}[F(s)]$ .

**Schematics, Diagrams, Circuits, and Given Data:**

$$F(s) = \frac{2}{s+3} + \frac{4}{s^2+4} + \frac{4}{s} = F_1(s) + F_2(s) + F_3(s)$$

**Assumptions:** None.

**Analysis:** Using Table B.1, we can individually inverse-transform each of the elements of  $F(s)$ :

$$f_1(t) = 2\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{s+3}\right) = 2e^{-3t}u(t)$$

$$f_2(t) = 2\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left(\frac{2}{s^2+2^2}\right) = 2\sin(2t)u(t)$$

$$f_3(t) = 4\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{s}\right) = 4u(t)$$

Thus

$$f(t) = f_1(t) + f_2(t) + f_3(t) = (2e^{-3t} + 2\sin 2t + 4)u(t).$$

## EXAMPLE B.5 Computing an Inverse Laplace Transform

**Problem:**

Find the inverse Laplace transform of

$$F(s) = \frac{2s+5}{s^2+5s+6}$$

**Solution**

**Known Quantities:** Function to be inverse Laplace-transformed.

**Find:**  $f(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}[F(s)]$ .

**Assumptions:** None.

**Analysis:** A direct entry for the function cannot be found in Table B.1. In such cases, one must compute a *partial fraction expansion* of the function  $F(s)$  and then individually transform each term in the expansion. A partial fraction expansion is the inverse operation of obtaining a common denominator and is illustrated below.

$$F(s) = \frac{2s+5}{s^2+5s+6} = \frac{A}{s+2} + \frac{B}{s+3}$$

To obtain the constants  $A$  and  $B$ , we multiply the above expression by each of the denominator terms:

$$(s+2)F(s) = A + \frac{(s+2)B}{s+3}$$

$$(s+3)F(s) = \frac{(s+3)A}{s+2} + B$$

From the above two expressions, we can compute  $A$  and  $B$  as follows:

$$A = (s + 2)F(s)|_{s=-2} = \left. \frac{2s + 5}{s + 3} \right|_{s=-2} = 1$$

$$B = (s + 3)F(s)|_{s=-3} = \left. \frac{2s + 5}{s + 2} \right|_{s=-3} = 1$$

Finally,

$$F(s) = \frac{2s + 5}{s^2 + 5s + 6} = \frac{1}{s + 2} + \frac{1}{s + 3}$$

and using Table B.1, we compute

$$f(t) = (e^{-2t} + e^{-3t})u(t)$$

### CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

**B.8** Find the inverse Laplace transform of each of the following functions:

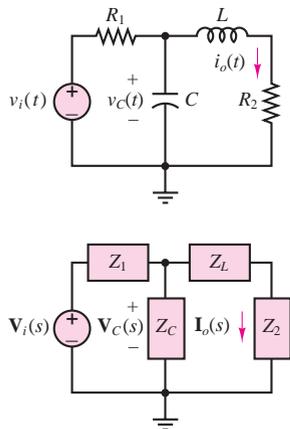
a.  $F(s) = \frac{1}{s^2 + 5s + 6}$

b.  $F(s) = \frac{s - 1}{s(s + 2)}$

c.  $F(s) = \frac{3s}{(s^2 + 1)(s^2 + 4)}$

d.  $F(s) = \frac{1}{(s + 2)(s + 1)^2}$

Answers: a.  $f(t) = \frac{1}{5}(e^{-2t} - e^{-3t})$ ; b.  $f(t) = \frac{1}{2}(e^{-t} - e^{-2t}) + \frac{1}{2}te^{-2t}$ ; c.  $f(t) = \frac{3}{2}\cos t - \frac{3}{2}\cos 2t$ ; d.  $f(t) = \frac{1}{2}e^{-t} - \frac{1}{2}e^{-2t} + te^{-2t}$



**Figure B.2** A circuit and its Laplace transform domain equivalent

### Transfer Functions, Poles, and Zeros

It should be clear that the Laplace transform can be quite a convenient tool for analyzing the transient response of a circuit. The Laplace variable  $s$  is an extension of the steady-state frequency response variable  $j\omega$  already encountered in this appendix. Thus, it is possible to describe the input-output behavior of a circuit by using Laplace transform ideas in the same way in which we used frequency response ideas earlier. Now we can define voltages and currents in the complex frequency domain as  $\mathbf{V}(s)$  and  $\mathbf{I}(s)$ , and we denote impedances by the notation  $Z(s)$ , where  $s$  replaces the familiar  $j\omega$ . We define an extension of the frequency response of a circuit, called the *transfer function*, as the ratio of any input variable to any output variable, that is,

$$H_1(s) = \frac{\mathbf{V}_o(s)}{\mathbf{V}_i(s)} \quad \text{or} \quad H_2(s) = \frac{\mathbf{I}_o(s)}{\mathbf{V}_i(s)} \quad \text{etc.} \tag{B.14}$$

As an example, consider the circuit of Figure B.2. We can analyze it by using a method analogous to phasor analysis by defining impedances

$$Z_1 = R_1 \quad Z_C = \frac{1}{sC} \quad Z_L = sL \quad Z_2 = R_2 \tag{B.15}$$

Then we can use mesh analysis methods to determine that

$$\mathbf{I}_o(s) = \mathbf{V}_i(s) \frac{Z_C}{(Z_L + Z_2)Z_C + (Z_L + Z_2)Z_1 + Z_1Z_C} \quad (\text{B.16})$$

or, upon simplifying and substituting the relationships of equation B.15,

$$H_2(s) = \frac{\mathbf{I}_o(s)}{\mathbf{V}_i(s)} = \frac{1}{R_1LCs^2 + (R_1R_2C + L)s + R_1 + R_2} \quad (\text{B.17})$$

If we were interested in the relationship between the input voltages and, say, the capacitor voltage, we could similarly calculate

$$H_1(s) = \frac{\mathbf{V}_C(s)}{\mathbf{V}_i(s)} = \frac{sL + R_2}{R_1LCs^2 + (R_1R_2C + L)s + R_1 + R_2} \quad (\text{B.18})$$

Note that a transfer function consists of a *ratio of polynomials*; this ratio can also be expressed in factored form, leading to the discovery of additional important properties of the circuit. Let us, for the sake of simplicity, choose numerical values for the components of the circuit of Figure B.2. For example, let  $R_1 = 0.5 \, \Omega$ ,  $C = \frac{1}{4} \text{ F}$ ,  $L = 0.5 \text{ H}$ , and  $R_2 = 2 \, \Omega$ . Then we can substitute these values into equation B.18 to obtain

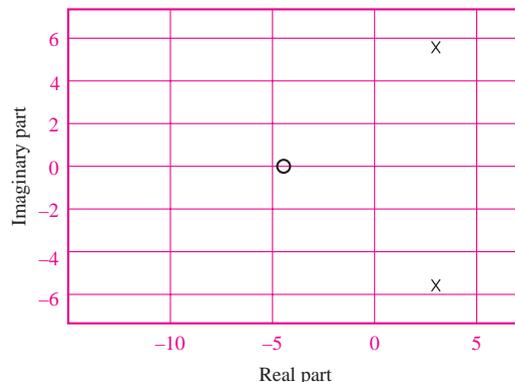
$$H_1(s) = \frac{0.5s + 2}{0.0625s^2 + 0.375s + 2.5} = 8 \left( \frac{s + 4}{s^2 + 6s + 40} \right) \quad (\text{B.19})$$

Equation B.19 can be factored into products of first-order terms as follows:

$$H_1(s) = 8 \left[ \frac{s + 4}{(s - 3.0000 + j5.5678)(s - 3.0000 - j5.5678)} \right] \quad (\text{B.20})$$

where it is apparent that the response of the circuit has very special characteristics for three values of  $s$ :  $s = -4$ ;  $s = +3.0000 + j5.5678$ ; and  $s = +3.0000 - j5.5678$ . In the first case, at the complex frequency  $s = -4$ , the numerator of the transfer function becomes zero, and the response of the circuit is zero, regardless of how large the input voltage is. We call this particular value of  $s$  a **zero** of the transfer function. In the latter two cases, for  $s = +3.0000 \pm j5.5678$ , the response of the circuit becomes infinite, and we refer to these values of  $s$  as **poles** of the transfer function.

It is customary to represent the response of electric circuits in terms of poles and zeros, since knowledge of the location of these poles and zeros is equivalent to knowing the transfer function and provides complete information regarding the response of the circuit. Further, if the poles and zeros of the transfer function of a circuit are plotted in the complex plane, it is possible to visualize the response of the circuit very effectively. Figure B.3 depicts the pole-zero plot of the circuit of Figure B.2; in plots of this type it is customary to denote zeros by a small circle and poles by an “x.”



**Figure B.3** Zero-pole plot for the circuit of Figure B.2

The poles of a transfer function have a special significance, in that they are equal to the roots of the natural response of the system. They are also called the **natural frequencies** of the circuit. Example B.6 illustrates this point.

### EXAMPLE B.6 Poles of a Second-Order Circuit

**Problem:**

Determine the poles of a parallel *RLC* circuit. Express the homogeneous equation using  $i_L$  as the independent variable.

**Solution:**

**Known Quantities:** Values of resistor, inductor, and capacitor.

**Find:** Poles of the circuit.

**Assumptions:** None.

**Analysis:** The differential equation describing the natural response of the parallel *RLC* circuit is

$$\frac{d^2i}{dt^2} + \frac{R}{L} \frac{di}{dt} + \frac{1}{LC}i = 0$$

with characteristic equation given by

$$s^2 + \frac{R}{L}s + \frac{1}{LC} = 0$$

Now, let us determine the transfer function of the circuit, say,  $\mathbf{V}_L(s)/\mathbf{V}_S(s)$ . Applying the voltage divider rule, we can write

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\mathbf{V}_L(s)}{\mathbf{V}_S(s)} &= \frac{sL}{1/sC + R + sL} \\ &= \frac{s^2}{s^2 + (R/L)s + 1/LC} \end{aligned}$$

The denominator of this function, which determines the poles of the circuit, is identical to the characteristic equation of the circuit: The poles of the transfer function are identical to the roots of the characteristic equation!

$$s_{1,2} = -\frac{R}{2L} \pm \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\left(\frac{R}{L}\right)^2 - \frac{4}{LC}}$$

**Comments:** Describing a circuit by means of its transfer function is completely equivalent to representing it by means of its differential equation. However, it is often much easier to derive a transfer function by basic circuit analysis than it is to obtain the differential equation of a circuit.

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## FUNDAMENTALS OF ENGINEERING (FE) EXAMINATION

### C.1 INTRODUCTION

The *Fundamentals of Engineering* (FE) examination<sup>1</sup> is one of four steps to be completed toward registering as a Professional Engineer (PE). Each of the 50 states in the United States has laws that regulate the practice of engineering; these laws are designed to ensure that registered professional engineers have demonstrated sufficient competence and experience. The same exam is administered at designated times throughout the country, but each state's Board of Registration administers the exam and supplies information and registration forms.

**Additional information is available on the NCEES website.**

Four steps are required to become a Professional Engineer:

1. *Education.* Usually this requirement is satisfied by completing a B.S. degree in engineering from an accredited college or university.
2. *Fundamentals of Engineering examination.* One must pass an 8-hour examination described in Section C.2.



<sup>1</sup>This exam used to be called *Engineer in Training*.

3. *Experience.* Following successful completion of the Fundamentals of Engineering examination, two to four years of engineering experience are required.
4. *Principles and practices of engineering examination.* One must pass a second 8-hour examination, also known as the Professional Engineer (PE) examination, which requires in-depth knowledge of one particular branch of engineering.

This appendix provides a review of the background material in electrical engineering required in the Electrical Engineering part of the FE exam. This exam is prepared by the National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying<sup>2</sup> (NCEES).

## C.2 EXAM FORMAT AND CONTENT



The FE exam is a two-part national examination, administered by the **National Council of Examiners for Engineers and Surveyors** (NCEES) and given twice a year (in April and October). The exam is divided into two four-hour sessions, consisting of 120 questions in the four-hour morning session, and 60 questions in the four-hour afternoon session. The morning session covers general background in 12 different areas, one of which is *Electricity and Magnetism*. The afternoon session requires the examinee to choose among seven modules—Chemical, Civil, Electrical, Environmental, Industrial, Mechanical and, Other/General Engineering.

## C.3 THE ELECTRICITY AND MAGNETISM SECTION OF THE MORNING EXAM

The *Electricity and Magnetism* part of the morning session consists of approximately 9 percent of the morning session, and covers the following topics:

- A. Charge, energy, current, voltage, power
- B. Work done in moving a charge in an electric field (relationship between voltage and work)
- C. Force between charges
- D. Current and voltage laws (Kirchhoff, Ohm)
- E. Equivalent circuits (series, parallel)
- F. Capacitance and inductance
- G. Reactance and impedance, susceptance and admittance
- H. AC circuits
- I. Basic complex algebra

The remainder of Appendix C contains a review of the electric circuits portion of the FE examination, including references to the relevant material in the book. In addition, Appendix C also contains a collection of sample problems—some including a full explanation of the solution, some with answers supplied separately.

## C.4 REVIEW FOR THE ELECTRICITY AND MAGNETISM SECTION OF THE MORNING EXAM

### A. Charge, energy, current, voltage and power.

### B. Work done in moving a charge in an electric field (relationship between voltage and work)

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## C. Force between charges

The basic definitions of these quantities and relevant examples can be found in Chapter 2 and in any undergraduate physics textbook. The following example problems will further assist you in reviewing the material.

### CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

- A.1** Determine the total charge entering a circuit element between  $t = 1$  s and  $t = 2$  s if the current passing through the element is  $i = 5t$ .
- A.2** A lightbulb sees a 3-A current for 15 s. The lightbulb generates 3 kJ of energy in the form of light and heat. What is the voltage drop across the lightbulb?
- A.3** How much energy does a 75-W electric bulb consume in six hours?
- B.1** Find the voltage drop  $v_{ab}$  required to move a charge  $q$  from point  $a$  to point  $b$  if  $q = -6$  C and it takes 30 J of energy to move the charge.
- C.1** Two 2-C charges are separated by a dielectric with thickness of 4 mm, and with dielectric constant  $\epsilon = 10^{-12}$  F/m. What is the force exerted by each charge on the other?
- C.2** The magnitude of the force on a particle of charge  $q$  placed in the empty space between two infinite parallel plates with a spacing  $d$  and a potential difference  $V$  is proportional to:
- (a)  $qV/d^2$     (b)  $qV/d$     (c)  $qV^2/d$     (d)  $q^2V/d$     (e)  $q^2V^2/d$

**A.3:** The energy used is  $w = pt = 75 [W] \times 6 [h] = 75 [W] \times 6 \times 3600 [s] = 1.62 \text{ MJ}$

**B.1:** The voltage drop is  $v_{ab} = \frac{w}{q} = \frac{30}{-6} = -5 \text{ V}$

**C.1:**  $F = \frac{q_1q_2}{4\pi\epsilon r^2} = \frac{(2 \times 10^{-3}) \times (2 \times 10^{-3})}{4\pi \times 10^{-12} \times (4 \times 10^{-3})^2} = 2 \times 10^{10} \text{ N}$

**C.2:** Answer is (a), since this is the only term that has a distance squared term in the denominator.

**A.2:** The total charge is  $\Delta q = i\Delta t = 3 \times 15 = 45 \text{ C}$ . The voltage drop is  $v = \frac{\Delta w}{\Delta q} = \frac{3 \times 10^3}{45} = 66.67 \text{ V}$

**Answers:** **A.1:**  $q = \int_{t=2}^{t=1} i dt = \int_{t=2}^{t=1} 5t dt = \left. \frac{5t^2}{2} \right|_{t=2}^{t=1} = 7.5 \text{ C}$

## D. Current and voltage laws (Kirchhoff, Ohm)

The material related to this section is covered in Chapter 2, Sections 2, 3, 4 and 6. Examples 2.3, 2.4, 2.6, 2.7, 2.8, 2.9, 2.10, and the related *Check Your Understanding* exercises will help you review the necessary material.

## E. Equivalent circuits

The analysis of DC circuits forms the foundation of electrical engineering. Chapters 2 and 3 cover this material with a wealth of examples. The following exercises illustrate the general type of questions that might be encountered in the FE exam.

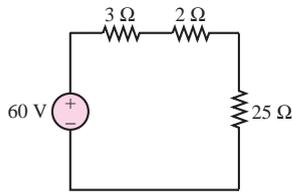


Figure E.1

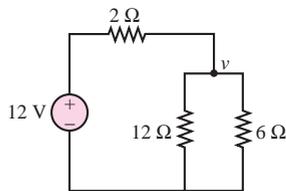


Figure E.2

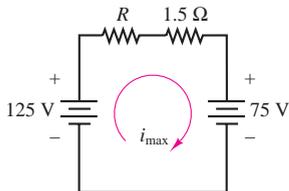


Figure E.3

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

**E.1** Assuming the connecting wires and the battery have negligible resistance, the voltage across the 25- $\Omega$  resistance in Figure E.1 is

- a. 25 V    b. 60 V    c. 50 V    d. 15 V    e. 12.5 V

**E.2** Assuming the connecting wires and the battery have negligible resistance, the voltage across the 6- $\Omega$  resistor in Figure E.2 is

- a. 6 V    b. 3.5 V    c. 12 V    d. 8 V    e. 3 V

**E.3** In Figure E.3, A 125-V battery charger is used to charge a 75-V battery with internal resistance of 1.5  $\Omega$ . If the charging current is not to exceed 5 A, the minimum resistance in series with the charger must be

- a. 10  $\Omega$     b. 5  $\Omega$     c. 38.5  $\Omega$     d. 41.5  $\Omega$     e. 8.5  $\Omega$

Thus,  $e$  is the correct answer.

$$R = 8.5 \Omega$$

$$5R + 7.5 - 125 + 75 = 0$$

and using  $i = i_{\max} = 5$  A, we can find  $R$  from the following equation:

$$i_{\max}R + 1.5i_{\max} - 125 + 75 = 0$$

circuit of Figure E.3, we obtain

**E.3:** The circuit of Figure E.3 describes the charging arrangement. Applying KVL to the problem by mesh analysis (Section 3.2). You are encouraged to try this method as well. This equation can be solved to show that  $v = 8$  V. Note that it is also possible to solve this

$$12 - v = \frac{6}{v} + \frac{12}{v}$$

since one of the node voltages is already known. Applying KCL at the node  $v$ , we obtain

Thus, the answer is  $c$ .

$$v_{25\Omega} = 60 \left( \frac{3 + 2 + 25}{25} \right) = 50 \text{ V}$$

Section 2.6. Applying the voltage divider rule to the circuit of Figure E.2, we have

Answers: **E.1:** This problem calls for application of the voltage divider rule, discussed in

## F. Capacitance and inductance

The material on capacitance and inductance pertains to two basic areas: energy storage in these elements and transient response of the circuits containing these elements. The exercises below deal with the former part (covered in Chapter 4); the latter is covered in Chapter 5 of the book.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

**F.1** A coil with inductance of 1 H and negligible resistance carries the current shown in Figure F.1. The maximum energy stored in the inductor is

- a. 2 J    b. 0.5 J    c. 0.25 J    d. 1 J    e. 0.2 J

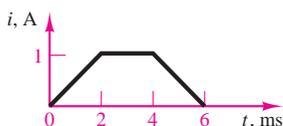


Figure F.1

**F.2** The maximum voltage that will appear across the coil is

- a. 5 V    b. 100 V    c. 250 V    d. 500 V    e. 5,000 V

**Answers: F.1:** The energy stored in an inductor is  $W = \frac{1}{2}Li^2$  (see Section 4.1). Since the maximum current is 1 A, the maximum energy will be  $W_{\max} = \frac{1}{2}Li^2_{\max} = \frac{1}{2}J$ . Thus, b is the correct answer.

**F.2:** Since the voltage across an inductor is given by  $v = L(di/dt)$ , we need to find the maximum (positive) value of  $di/dt$ . This will occur anywhere between  $t = 0$  and  $t = 2$  ms. The corresponding slope is

$$\left. \frac{di}{dt} \right|_{\max} = \frac{2 \times 10^{-3}}{1} = 500$$

Therefore  $v_{\max} = 1 \times 500 = 500$  V, and the correct answer is d.

## G. Reactance and impedance, susceptance and admittance

The material related to this section is covered in Chapter 4, Section 4. Examples 4.12, 4.13, 4.14, 4.15, and the related *Check Your Understanding* exercises will help you review the necessary material.

## H. AC circuits

The material related to basic AC circuits is covered in Chapter 4, Sections 2 and 4. Examples 4.8, 4.9, 4.16, 4.17, 4.18, 4.19, 4.20, 4.21, and the related *Check Your Understanding* exercises will help you review the necessary material. In addition, material on AC power may be found in Chapter 7, Sections 1 and 2. Examples 7.1 through 7.11 and the accompanying *Check Your Understanding* exercises will provide additional review material. The rest of this section offers a number of sample FE exam problems.

### CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

**H.1** A voltage sine wave of peak value 100 V is in phase with a current sine wave of peak value 4 A. When the phase angle is  $60^\circ$  later than a time at which the voltage and the current are both zero, the instantaneous power is most nearly

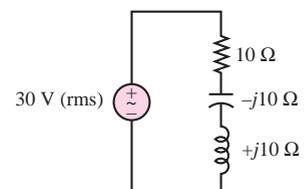
- a. 300 W    b. 200 W    c. 400 W    d. 150 W    e. 100 W

**H.2** A sinusoidal voltage whose amplitude is  $20\sqrt{2}$  V is applied to a 5- $\Omega$  resistor. The root-mean-square value of the current is

- a. 5.66 A    b. 4 A    c. 7.07 A    d. 8 A    e. 10 A

**H.3** The magnitude of the steady-state root-mean-square voltage across the capacitor in the circuit of Figure H.1 is

- a. 30 V    b. 15 V    c. 10 V    d. 45 V    e. 60 V



**Figure H.1**

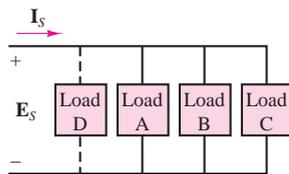


Figure H.2

The next set of questions (Exercises H.4 to H.8) pertain to single-phase AC power calculations and refer to the single-phase electrical network shown in Figure H.2. In this figure,  $\mathbf{E}_S = 480\angle 0^\circ \text{ V}$ ;  $\mathbf{I}_S = 100\angle -15^\circ \text{ A}$ ;  $\omega = 120\pi \text{ rad/s}$ . Further, load A is a bank of single-phase induction machines. The bank has an efficiency  $\eta$  of 80 percent, a power factor of 0.70 lagging, and a load of 20 hp. Load B is a bank of overexcited single-phase synchronous machines. The machines draw 15 kVA, and the load current leads the line voltage by  $30^\circ$ . Load C is a lighting (resistive) load and absorbs 10 kW. Load D is a proposed single-phase capacitor that will correct the source power factor to unity. This material is covered in Sections 7.1 and 7.2.

## CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

- H.4** The root-mean-square magnitude of load A current, denoted by  $I_A$ , is most nearly  
 a. 44.4 A    b. 31.08 A    c. 60 A    d. 38.85 A    e. 55.5 A
- H.5** The phase angle of  $\mathbf{I}_A$  with respect to the line voltage  $\mathbf{E}_S$  is most nearly  
 a.  $36.87^\circ$     b.  $60^\circ$     c.  $45.6^\circ$     d.  $30^\circ$     e.  $48^\circ$
- H.6** The power absorbed by synchronous machines is most nearly  
 a. 20,000 W    b. 7,500 W    c. 13,000 W    d. 12,990 W    e. 15,000 W
- H.7** The power factor of the system before load D is installed is most nearly  
 a. 0.70 lagging    b. 0.866 leading    c. 0.866 lagging  
 d. 0.966 leading    e. 0.966 lagging
- H.8** The capacitance of the capacitor that will give a unity power factor of the system is most nearly  
 a. 219  $\mu\text{F}$     b. 187  $\mu\text{F}$     c. 132.7  $\mu\text{F}$     d. 240  $\mu\text{F}$     e. 132.7 pF

**Answers: H.1:** As discussed in Section 7.1, the instantaneous AC power  $p(t)$  is

$$p(t) = \frac{V}{V} \cos \theta + \frac{2}{V} \cos(2\omega t + \theta_v + \theta_l)$$

In this problem, when the phase angle is  $60^\circ$  later than a "zero crossing," we have  $\theta_v = \theta_l = 0$ ,  $\theta = \theta_l - \theta_v = 120^\circ$ . Thus, we can compute the power at this instant as

$$p = \frac{2}{100 \times 4} + \frac{2}{100 \times 4} \cos(120^\circ) = 300 \text{ W}$$

The correct answer is a.

**H.2:** From Section 4.2, we know that

$$V_{\text{rms}} = \frac{V}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{20\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{2}} = 20 \text{ V}$$

Thus,  $I_{\text{rms}} = 20/5 = 4 \text{ A}$ . Therefore, b is the correct answer.

**H.3:** This problem requires the use of impedances (Section 4.4). Using the voltage divider rule for impedances, we write the voltage across the capacitor as

$$\mathbf{V} = 30\angle 0^\circ \times \frac{-j10}{-j10 + j10 + j10} = 30\angle 0^\circ \times (-j1) \times \frac{1}{1 \angle -90^\circ} = 30\angle 90^\circ =$$

Thus, the rms amplitude of the voltage across the capacitor is 30 V, and a is the correct answer. Note the importance of the phase angle in this kind of problem.

Answers: **H.4:** The output power  $P_o$  of the single-phase induction motor is  $P_o = 20 \times 746 = 14,920$  W. The input electric power  $P_{in}$  is

$$P_{in} = \frac{P_o}{\eta} = \frac{14,920}{0.80} = 18,650 \text{ W}$$

$P_{in}$  can be expressed as

$$P_{in} = E_S I_A \cos \theta_A$$

Therefore, the rms magnitude of the current  $I_A$  is found as

$$I_A = \frac{P_{in}}{18,650} = \frac{E_S \cos \theta_A}{480 \times 0.70} = 55.5015 \approx 55.5 \text{ A}$$

Thus, the correct answer is e.

**H.5:** The phase angle between  $I_A$  and  $E_S$  is

$$\theta = \cos^{-1} 0.70 = 45.57^\circ \approx 45.6^\circ$$

The correct answer is c.

**H.6:** The apparent power  $S$  is known to be 15 kVA, and  $\theta$  is  $30^\circ$ . From the power triangle, we have

$$P = S \cos \theta$$

Therefore, the power drawn by the bank of synchronous motors is

$$P = 15,000 \times \cos 30^\circ = 12,990.38 \approx 12.99 \text{ kW}$$

The answer is d.

**H.7:** From the expression for the current  $I_S$ , we have

$$\text{pf} = \cos \theta = \cos [0^\circ - (-15^\circ)] = \cos 15^\circ = 0.966 \text{ lagging}$$

The correct answer is e.

**H.8:** The reactive power  $\tilde{Q}_A$  in load A is

$$\tilde{Q}_A = P_A \times \tan \theta_A$$

$$\theta_A = \cos^{-1} 0.70 = 45.57^\circ$$

Therefore,

$$\tilde{Q}_A = 18,650 \times \tan 45.57^\circ = 19,025 \text{ VAR}$$

The total reactive power  $\tilde{Q}_B$  in load B is

$$\tilde{Q}_B = S \times \sin \theta_B = 15,000 \times \sin(-30^\circ) = -7,500 \text{ VAR}$$

The total reactive power  $\tilde{Q}$  is

$$\tilde{Q} = \tilde{Q}_A + \tilde{Q}_B = 19,025 - 7,500 = 11,525 \text{ VAR}$$

To cancel this reactive power, we set

$$\tilde{Q}_C = -\tilde{Q} = -11,525 \text{ VAR}$$

and

$$\tilde{Q}_C = -\frac{E_S^2}{X_C} \quad \text{and} \quad X_C = -\frac{1}{\omega C}$$

Therefore, the capacitance required to obtain a power factor of unity is

$$C = -\frac{\tilde{Q}_C}{\omega E_S^2} = \frac{11,525}{120\pi \times 480^2} = 132.7 \mu\text{F}$$

The correct answer is c.

## **I. Basic complex algebra**

A review of complex algebra is contained in Appendix A, Section A.2. The examples and exercises included in this section will provide the needed review material.

# A P P E N D I X

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## ANSWERS TO SELECTED PROBLEMS

Appendixes A, B and C are available online at [www.mhhe.com/rizzoni](http://www.mhhe.com/rizzoni)

### Chapter 1

#### 1.1 *Bathroom*

Ventilation fan  
Electric toothbrush  
Hair dryer  
Electric shaver  
Electric heater fan

#### *Kitchen*

Microwave fan  
Microwave turntable  
Mixer  
Food processor  
Blender  
Coffee grinder  
Garbage disposal  
Ceiling fan  
Electric clock  
Exhaust fan  
Refrigerator compressor  
Dishwasher

*Utility Room*

Clothes washer  
 Dryer  
 Air conditioner  
 Furnace blower  
 Pump

*Miscellaneous*

Lawn tools  
 Power tools

*Family Room*

VCR drive  
 Cassette tape drive  
 Treadmill

**Chapter 2**

- 2.3 a. 360,000 C b.  $224.7 \times 10^{22}$   
 2.5 a. 15.12 MJ b. 1.26 MC  
 2.25 a. 2.53 KW b. 218.6 MJ c. \$ 3.64  
 2.29 a. 220.4  $\Omega$  b. 2.009%  
 2.31  $P_{B60} = 23.44$  W;  $P_{B100} = 14.06$  W  
 2.34 7 V; 7 mW; 58.33%  
 2.51  $I = 6.09$  A  
 2.64 With terminals *c-d* open,  $R_{eq} = 400 \Omega$ ; with terminals *c-d* shorted,  $R_{eq} = 390 \Omega$ ; with terminals *a-b* open,  $R_{eq} = 360 \Omega$ ; with terminals *a-b* shorted,  $R_{eq} = 351 \Omega$   
 2.65 AWG no. 8 or larger wire must be used.  
 2.66  $R_{eq} = 4.288$  k $\Omega$   
 2.69  $V_{R3} = -11.999991$  V  
 2.71 a. A series resistor to drop excess voltage is required. b.  $R_{series} = 800 \Omega$  c. 20–100 kPa

**Chapter 3**

- 3.7  $i_1 = -0.5$  A;  $i_2 = -0.5$  A  
 3.9  $i = 0.491$  A  
 3.25  $v = 1.09$  V  
 3.28  $i = 0.491$  A  
 3.31  $A_V = \frac{v_2}{v_1} = -0.1818$   
 3.33  $V_{R1} = -36.39$  V;  $V_{R2} = -109.2$  V;  $V_{R3} = 72.81$  V;  $V_{R4} = 0$ ;  $V_F = 151.4$  V  
 3.37 
$$I_{R1} = I_1 = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} V_{S1} + V_{S2} & -(R_2 + R_{W2}) \\ -V_{S2} + V_{S3} & R_2 + R_{W2} + R_3 + R_{W3} \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} R_1 + R_{W1} + R_2 + R_{W2} & -(R_2 + R_{W2}) \\ -(R_2 + R_{W2}) & R_2 + R_{W2} + R_3 + R_{W3} \end{vmatrix}}$$
  
 3.40  $I_{R1-2} = 60.02$  mA  
 3.44  $I_{R1} = 54.25$  A  
 3.70  $\Delta V_o = -16.33$  V  
 3.74 a.  $R_L = R_{eq} = 600 \Omega$  b.  $P_{RL} = 510.4$  mW c.  $\eta = 50\%$   
 3.77 a.  $I = 52.2$  mA;  $V = 4.57$  V b.  $R_{inc} = 43.8 \Omega$  c.  $I = 73$  mA;  $V = 5.40$  V;  $R_{inc} = 37 \Omega$   
 3.80  $I_D = 12.5$  mA

**Chapter 4**

- 4.1  $v_L(t) = 377 \sin\left(377t - \frac{5\pi}{6}\right)$  V

- 4.4 For  $-\infty < t < 0$ ,  $w_L(t) = 0$  J; For  $0 \leq t < 10$  s,  $w_L(t) = t^2$  J  
For  $10 \text{ s} \leq t < \infty$ ,  $w_L(t) = 100$  J
- 4.7 For  $-\infty < t < 0$ ,  $w_C(t) = 0$  J; For  $0 \leq t < 10$  s,  $w_C(t) = 0.05t^2$  J  
For  $10 \text{ s} \leq t < \infty$ ,  $w_C(t) = 5$  J
- 4.12 For  $0 < t \leq 5$  ms,  $i_C = -480$  mA; For  $5 \text{ ms} < t < 10$  ms,  $i_C = 0$ ; For  $t > 10$  ms,  $i_C = 0$
- 4.14  $i_L(t = 15 \mu\text{s}) = -13.67$  mA
- 4.20  $C = 0.5 \mu\text{F}$
- 4.29  $x_{\text{rms}} = 2.87$
- 4.35  $i_{\text{rms}} = 1.15$  A
- 4.48  $Z_{\text{eq}} = 7.05 \angle 0.9393$
- 4.51  $i_3(t) = 20 \cos(377t - 11^\circ)$  A
- 4.53  $i_s(t) = 22.22 \cos(\omega t + 0^\circ)$  mA
- 4.59  $i_R(t) = 157 \cos(200\pi t + 99.04^\circ)$  mA
- 4.61  $Z = 1 \Omega$

## Chapter 5

- 5.21 The actual steady-state current through the inductor is larger than the current specified. Therefore, the circuit is not in a steady-state condition just before the switch is opened.
- 5.23  $i_C(0^-) = 0$ ;  $i_C(0^+) = 17.65$  mA
- 5.25  $V_{R3}(0^+) = -4.080$  V
- 5.27  $i_C(0^+) = 3.234$  mA
- 5.29  $\tau = 5.105 \mu\text{s}$
- 5.31  $\tau = 0.3750 \mu\text{s}$
- 5.33  $i_{R3}(t) = 0.058 - 0.28e^{-t/69.7 \times 10^{-9}}$  A
- 5.35  $R_1 = 0.5170 \Omega$ ;  $L = 22.11$  H
- 5.37  $i_C(0^-) = 0$ ;  $i_C(0^+) = 30$  A
- 5.39  $\tau = 3.433$  h
- 5.41 a.  $V_C(0^+) = 0$  V    b.  $\tau = 48$  s    c.  $V_C(t) = \begin{cases} 8(1 - e^{-t/48}) & t \geq 0 \\ 0 & t < 0 \end{cases}$   
d.  $V_C(0) = 0$  V;  $V_C(\tau) = 5.06$  V;  $V_C(2\tau) = 6.9$  V;  $V_C(5\tau) = 7.95$  V;  $V_C(10\tau) = 8.0$  V
- 5.43 a.  $V_C(0^+) = 11.67$  V  
b.  $V_C(t) = \begin{cases} V(0^+)e^{-t/\tau} = 11.67e^{-t/56} & 0 \leq t < 3 \\ 11.67 - 0.61e^{-(t-3)/23.3} & t \geq 3 \end{cases}$
- 5.61  $i_L(\infty) = 31.03$  mA;  $i_{RS2}(\infty) = 31.03$  mA;  $V_C(\infty) = 0$
- 5.63  $i_L(\infty) = 18.3$  mA;  $V_{R1}(\infty) = 42.04$  V;  $V_C(\infty) = 42.04$  V
- 5.65  $i_L(\infty) = 226 \mu\text{A}$ ;  $V_C(\infty) = 4.98$  V
- 5.67  $i_L(0^+) = 146.4$  mA;  $V_C(0^+) = 0$ ;  $V_L(0^+) = -19.94$  V;  $i_C(0^+) = -28.49$  mA;  $i_{RS2}(0^+) = -99.79$  mA
- 5.69  $i(t) = 2 + e^{-0.041t} \{-3.641 \cos[0.220(t - 5)] + 1.77 \sin[0.220(t - 5)]\}$  A for  $t \geq 5$  s
- 5.73  $L = 1.6 \mu\text{H}$ ;  $R = 0.56 \Omega$

## Chapter 6

- 6.9 a. As  $\omega \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $H_v \rightarrow 0 \angle (-90^\circ)$     b.  $H_v(j\omega) = \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} \frac{1}{1 + j\omega R_1 R_2 C / (R_1 + R_2)}$     c.  $\omega_c = 2.5$  krad/s  
As  $\omega \rightarrow 0$ ,  $H_v \rightarrow \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} \angle 0^\circ$      $H_o = 4.527$  dB

- 6.10** a. As  $\omega \rightarrow 0$ ,  $V_o \rightarrow 0$       b.  $V_o = 1.806 \text{ V} \angle 173.2^\circ$   
 As  $\omega \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $V_o = \frac{V_i R_2}{R_1 + R_2}$
- c.  $V_o = 4.303 \text{ V} \angle 114.4^\circ$       d.  $V_o = 4.605 \text{ V} \angle 75.05^\circ$
- 6.23** The peak gain occurs at the resonant frequency of 4.6 rad/s. Bandwidth  $\approx 2$  rad/s.
- 6.25** a. low-pass      b. high-pass      c. high-pass      d. low-pass
- 6.29** a.  $H_v(j\omega) = \frac{R_L}{R_s + R_L} \frac{1}{1 - jR_s R_L (1 - \omega^2 LC) / [(R_s + R_L)\omega L]}$       b.  $\omega_r = 1.409 \text{ Mrad/s}$   
 c.  $\omega_{c1} = 1.405 \text{ Mrad/s}$ ;  $\omega_{c2} = 1.412 \text{ Mrad/s}$       d.  $\text{BW} = 7.143 \text{ krad/s}$ ;  $Q = 197.2$
- 6.32**  $H_v(j\omega) = \frac{R_L}{R_s + R_L} \frac{1}{1 + j\omega L / [(R_s + R_L)(1 - \omega^2 LC)]}$
- 6.35** a.  $H_v(j\omega) = \frac{R_c R_L}{R_s(R_c + R_L) + R_c R_L} \frac{1 + j \frac{1}{R_c} \left( \omega L - \frac{1}{\omega C} \right)}{1 + j \frac{(R_s + R_L)(\omega L - 1/\omega C)}{R_c(R_s + R_L) + R_s R_L}}$       b. As  $\omega \rightarrow \infty$ :  $H_v(j\omega) \rightarrow \frac{R_L}{R_s + R_L}$   
 As  $\omega \rightarrow 0$ :  $H_v(j\omega) \rightarrow \frac{R_L}{R_s + R_L}$
- c.  $\omega_r = 50 \text{ Mrad/s}$       d.  $\omega_{c2} = 49.875 \text{ Mrad/s}$ ;  $\omega_{c3} = 50.125 \text{ Mrad/s}$
- 6.54**  $Z(j\omega) = \frac{R_c}{1 - \omega^2 LC} \frac{1 + j\omega L/R_c}{1 + j\omega R_c C / (1 - \omega^2 LC)}$
- The circuit is a parallel resonant circuit and should exhibit maxima of impedance and minima of impedance at low and high frequencies.
- At the resonant frequency, the impedance is real; that is, the reactive part is zero. Set  $f_1(\omega_r) = f_2(\omega_r)$  and solve for  $\omega_r$ .
  - The magnitude of the impedance at the resonant frequency is  $Z_o$  evaluated at the resonant frequency:  
 $Z_o = R_c / (1 - \omega_r^2 LC)$
  - The three cutoff (3-dB) frequencies are evaluated by making the functions of frequency equal to +1 or -1.  
 $f_1(\omega_c) = 1 \Rightarrow \omega_{c3}$ ;  $f_2(\omega_c) = \pm 1 \Rightarrow \omega_{c1}$  and  $\omega_{c2}$ .
  - The magnitude of the impedance when the frequency is low can be determined in two ways. First, the circuit can be modeled at low frequencies by replacing the inductor with a short circuit and the capacitor with an open circuit. Under these conditions the impedance is equal to that of the resistor. Or the limit of the impedance as the frequency approaches zero can be determined.  $Z_o = \lim_{\omega \rightarrow 0} Z(j\omega) = R_c$ .

## Chapter 7

- 7.39**  $S_1 = 17.88 + j10.32 \text{ kVA} = P_{av1} + jQ_1$   
 $S_2 = 9.56 + j1.17 \text{ kVA} = P_{av2} + jQ_2$   
 $S_3 = 34.68 - j46.24 \text{ kVA} = P_{av3} + jQ_3$
- 7.47**  $N = \frac{1}{15}$
- 7.50**  $R_c = 1.8 \text{ k}\Omega$ ;  $L_c = 0.68 \text{ H}$ ;  $R_w = 0.9476 \text{ }\Omega$ ;  $L_w = 0.348 \text{ mH}$
- 7.51**  $R_c = 106.38 \text{ k}\Omega$ ;  $L_c = 17.46 \text{ H}$ ;  $R_w = 0.54 \text{ }\Omega$ ;  $L_w = 0$
- 7.60** a.  $\tilde{V}_{RW} = 207.8 \angle (-30^\circ) \text{ V}$       b. Same answer      c. No difference  
 $\tilde{V}_{WB} = 207.8 \angle 90^\circ \text{ V}$   
 $\tilde{V}_{BR} = 207.8 \angle (-150^\circ) \text{ V}$
- 7.65**  $\mathbf{I}_1 = 293 \angle (-41.8^\circ) \text{ A}$
- 7.66**  $\mathbf{I}_R = 1.003 \angle (-27.6^\circ) \text{ A}$
- 7.67**  $\mathbf{I}_1 = 98.1 \angle (-30^\circ) \text{ A}$ ;  $\mathbf{I}_2 = 42.1 \angle (-60^\circ) \text{ A}$ ;  $\mathbf{I}_3 = 26.8 \angle (-180^\circ) \text{ A}$
- 7.72** a.  $P = 3, 541.3 \text{ W}$       b.  $P_m = 2, 832.23 \text{ W}$       c.  $\text{pf} = 0.64$       d. The company will face a 25 percent penalty.

## Chapter 8

- 8.1**  $G = 173.4 \text{ dB}$
- 8.25**  $A_v = -27.5$ ;  $|A_v|_{\max} = 33.6$ ;  $|A_v|_{\min} = 22.5$
- 8.26**  $R_S = 10 \text{ k}\Omega$ ;  $v_o(t) = 2 \times 10^{-3} \sin(\omega t) \text{ V}$
- 8.39** a. Use a voltage follower stage, followed by a differential amplifier stage. The differential amplifier must have voltage gain of 10.  
 $A_{vy} = -\frac{R_2}{R_1} = -10$ ; Choose:  $R_2 = 100 \text{ k}\Omega$   $R_1 = 10 \text{ k}\Omega$   
 $A_{vr} = \frac{R_4(R_2 + R_1)}{R_1(R_4 + R_3)} = 10$ ; Choose:  $R_3 = 10 \text{ k}\Omega$   $R_4 = 100 \text{ k}\Omega$
- 8.43**  $R_3 \approx 102 \text{ k}\Omega$ ;  $R_4 \approx 5 \text{ M}\Omega$
- 8.52** a. The gain (that is, the magnitude of the transfer function) and output voltage increase continuously with frequency, at least until the output voltage tries to exceed the DC supply voltages and clipping occurs.  
 b. There is no specific cutoff frequency.  
 c. The filter behaves as a high-pass filter, in general. It in fact is a differentiator.
- 8.63** a. Applying KCL at the inverting terminal,  $\frac{v_{\text{out}}}{v_{\text{in}}} = -\frac{1 + j\omega R_2 C}{j\omega R_1 C}$   
 b. Gain = 0.043 dB c. Gain = 0.007 dB; phase = 177.71° d.  $\omega > 196.5 \text{ rad/s}$
- 8.68**  $v_{\text{out}}(t) = -RC \frac{dV_S(t)}{dt}$
- 8.70** a.  $t = 104 \text{ ms}$  b.  $t = 120 \text{ ms}$
- 8.71** a.  $v_{\text{out}}(t) = -2,000 + 1.9839 \sin(2,000\pi t + 90.57^\circ) \text{ V}$  b.  $v_{\text{out}}(t) = -20 + 1.41 \sin(2,000\pi t + 135^\circ) \text{ V}$   
 c. In order to have an ideal integrator, it is desirable to have  $\tau \gg T$ .
- 8.78**  $\text{CMRR}_{\min} = 74 \text{ dB}$
- 8.80** a.  $A_{CL} = -99.899$  b.  $A_{CL} = -990$  c.  $A_{CL} = -9,091$  d. As  $A_{OL} \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $A_{CL} = -10,000$
- 8.86** a.  $v_{S-C} = 3.15 \text{ V} + 1.5 \text{ mV} \cos \omega t$ ;  $v_{S-D} = -0.7 \text{ V} + 17 \text{ mV} \cos \omega t$   
 b.  $A_{vc} = -3$ ;  $A_{vd} = -11.5$   
 c.  $v_{O-C} = -9.450 - 4.5 \times 10^{-3} \cos \omega t \text{ V}$ ;  $v_{O-D} = 8.050 - 195.5 \times 10^{-3} \cos \omega t \text{ V}$   
 d.  $\text{CMRR} = -11.67 \text{ dB}$

## Chapter 9

- 9.2** a. N type  
 b. Majority = conduction band free electrons = negative carriers. Minority = valence band holes = positive carriers.  
 $n_{\text{no}} \approx 4.910^{18} \text{ m}^{-3}$ ,  $p_{\text{no}} = 4.5910^{13} \text{ m}^{-3}$
- 9.19** a.  $R = 860 \Omega$  b.  $E_{\min} = 1.56 \text{ V}$
- 9.21** Reverse, forward, reverse, forward, forward
- 9.23** a.  $D_2$  and  $D_4$  are forward-biased;  $D_1$  and  $D_3$  are reverse-biased.  $v_{\text{out}} = -5 + 0.7 = -4.3 \text{ V}$   
 b.  $D_1$  and  $D_2$  are reverse-biased;  $D_3$  is forward-biased.  $v_{\text{out}} = -10 + 0.7 = -9.3 \text{ V}$   
 c.  $D_1$  is reverse-biased;  $D_2$  is reverse-biased.  $v_{\text{out}} = -10 \text{ V}$
- 9.28**  $V_{DQ} = V_{D-\text{on}} = 0.7 \text{ V}$ ;  $I_{DQ} = 1.0 \text{ mA}$
- 9.32**  $V_{S1 \min} = 3.7 \text{ V}$
- 9.33** 4.6 V
- 9.35** c.  $v_{\text{peak}} = 157.2 \text{ V}$  e.  $V_{\text{inrms}} = 111.2 \text{ V}$

- 9.39 a.  $-33.3\text{ V}$   
 b. The actual peak reverse voltage ( $33.3\text{ V}$ ) is greater than rated ( $30\text{ V}$ ). Therefore, the diodes are not suitable for the specifications given.
- 9.41  $n = 0.31$ ;  $C = 1,093\ \mu\text{F}$
- 9.44 a.  $-49.3\text{ V}$   
 b. The diodes are not suitable because the rated and actual peak reverse voltages are too close.
- 9.47  $n = 0.04487$ ;  $C = 1.023\ \mu\text{F}$
- 9.50  $R_{L\min} = 812.9\ \Omega$
- 9.52  $V_Z = 5\text{ V}$ ;  $r_Z = 25\ \Omega$
- 9.54  $I_{Z\max} = 32.6\text{ mA}$
- 9.58  $I_{L\max} = 18.29\text{ mA}$ ;  $I_{L\min} = 1.07\text{ mA}$

## Chapter 10

- 10.1 a. The transistor is in the active region.      b. The transistor is in the cutoff region.  
 c. The transistor is in the saturation region.      d. The transistor is in the active region.
- 10.3 The transistor is in the active region.
- 10.5  $I_E = -520\ \mu\text{A}$ ;  $V_{CB} = 17.8\text{ V}$
- 10.6 The transistor is in the active region.
- 10.9 a. 170, 165, 143      b.  $V_{CE} \approx 6.29\text{ V}$
- 10.11  $\beta \approx 150$
- 10.32  $V_{CEQ} = 10.55\text{ V}$ . The transistor is in the active region.
- 10.34  $V_{CEQ} = 4.9\text{ V}$ . The transistor is in the active region.

10.41

$v_1$	$v_2$	$Q_1$	$Q_2$	$Q_3$	$v_{o1}$	$v_{o2}$
0	0	Off	Off	On	0	5 V
0	5 V	Off	On	Off	5 V	0
5 V	0	On	Off	Off	5 V	0
5 V	5 V	On	On	Off	5 V	0

10.44

$v_1$	$v_2$	$Q_1$	$Q_2$	$Q_3$	$v_{o1}$	$v_{o2}$
0	0	Off	Off	On	0	5 V
0	5 V	Off	On	On	0	5 V
5 V	0	On	Off	On	0	5 V
5 V	5 V	On	On	Off	5 V	0

- 10.47 The answer is not unique. Choosing  $\beta_2 = 10 \Rightarrow \beta_1 = 2.27$ .
- 10.49 The circuit performs the function of a two-input NAND gate.

## Chapter 11

- 11.1 a. Saturation      b. Saturation      c. Triode      d. Saturation
- 11.3 a. Triode      b. Triode or saturation      c. Saturation
- 11.6  $i_D = 1.44\text{ mA}$
- 11.8  $i_D = 0.25\text{ mA}$

11.33

$v_{in}$	$Q_1$	$Q_2$	$v_{out}$
Low	Resistive	Open	High
High	Open	Resistive	Low

11.35

$v_1$	$v_2$	$Q_1$	$Q_2$	$v_{out}$
0	0	Off	Off	High
0	High	Off	On	High
High	0	On	Off	High
High	High	On	On	Low

## Chapter 12

12.1 a.  $191_{16}$ ,  $110010001_2$  b.  $111_{16}$ ,  $100010001_2$  c.  $F_{16}$ ,  $1111_2$  d.  $26_{16}$ ,  $100110_2$  e.  $38_{16}$ ,  $111000_2$ 12.2 a.  $10_{10}$ ,  $1010_2$  b.  $102_{10}$ ,  $1100110_2$  c.  $71_{10}$ ,  $1000111_2$  d.  $33_{10}$ ,  $100001_2$  e.  $19_{10}$ ,  $10011_2$ 12.3 a.  $100001111.01_2$  b.  $110101.011_2$  c.  $100101.01010_2$  d.  $110110.010001_2$ 12.4 a.  $F_{16}$ ,  $15_{10}$  b.  $4D_{16}$ ,  $77_{10}$  c.  $65_{16}$ ,  $101_{10}$  d.  $5C_{16}$ ,  $92_{10}$  e.  $1D_{16}$ ,  $29_{10}$  f.  $28_{16}$ ,  $40_{10}$ 12.5 a.  $11111010$  b.  $100010100$  c.  $110000100$ 12.6 a.  $11100$  b.  $1101110$  c.  $1000$ 

12.12

A	B	C	BC	$B\bar{C}$	$\bar{B}A$	$BC + B\bar{C} + \bar{B}A$	A + B
1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1
1	1	0	0	1	0	1	1
1	0	1	0	0	1	1	1
1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1
0	1	1	1	0	0	1	1
0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1
0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

12.15  $f(A, B, C, D) = ABC + CD(\bar{A} + \bar{B})$ 12.18  $F = \overline{AB + CD + E}$ 12.21  $f(A, B, C) = AB + BC + AC$ 12.39  $F = (\bar{C} \cdot \bar{D})[A \cdot B \cdot C + (\bar{A} + \bar{B}) \cdot \bar{C}]$ 12.42  $f(A, B, C) = \bar{A} \cdot \bar{B} \cdot C + \bar{A} \cdot B \cdot \bar{C} + A \cdot \bar{B} \cdot \bar{C} + A \cdot B \cdot C$ 12.46  $F = \bar{B} \cdot \bar{D} + A \cdot \bar{D} + A \cdot B \cdot \bar{C} + \bar{A} \cdot B \cdot C \cdot D$ 12.50  $F = \bar{B} + A \cdot \bar{C} + \bar{A} \cdot C$ 12.53  $F = B \cdot \bar{D} + A \cdot C \cdot \bar{D}$ 12.56  $F = \bar{B} \cdot \bar{D} + A \cdot \bar{D} + A \cdot B \cdot \bar{C} + \bar{A} \cdot B \cdot C \cdot D$ 12.59  $F = \bar{A} \cdot \bar{C} \cdot D + \bar{A} \cdot B \cdot \bar{C} + A \cdot B \cdot C$ 12.61  $F = A \cdot \bar{B} \cdot C \cdot D + B\bar{D} + \bar{A}B$ 

12.70

a.

x	y	C	S
0	0	0	0
0	1	0	1
1	0	0	1
1	1	1	0

b. Binary addition—S is the sum, and C is the carry.

12.72

Binary input $B_3B_2B_1B_0$	$G_3$	$G_2$ $B_2 \oplus B_3$	$G_1$ $B_1 \oplus B_2$	$G_0$ $B_0 \oplus B_1$
0000	0	0	0	0
0001	0	0	0	1
0010	0	0	1	1
0011	0	0	1	0
0100	0	1	1	0
0101	0	1	1	1
0110	0	1	0	1
0111	0	1	0	0
1000	1	1	0	0
1001	1	1	0	1
1010	1	1	1	1
1011	1	1	1	0
1100	1	0	1	0
1101	1	0	1	1
1110	1	0	0	1
1111	1	0	0	0

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BC	A	
	0	1
00	0	1
01	0	1
11	0	1
10	1	0

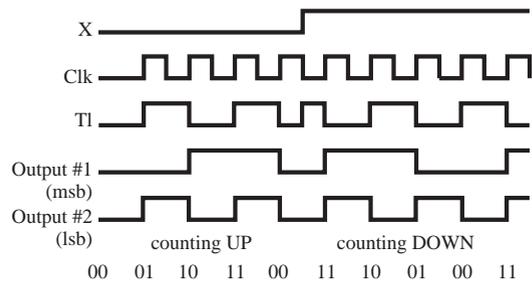
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The device is called a modulo-16 ripple counter. It can count clock pulses from 0 to  $2^4 - 1$ . The outputs divide the frequency by  $2^1$ ,  $2^2$ ,  $2^3$ , and  $2^4$ , respectively. Therefore, you can use this circuit as a divide-by- $N$  counter, where  $N$  is 2, 4, 8, and 16.

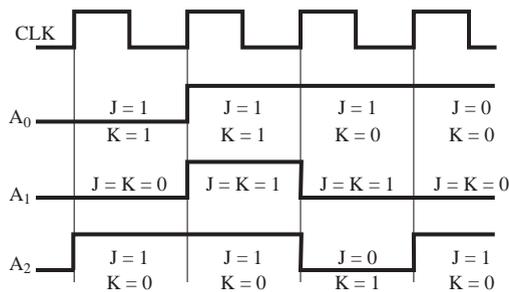
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The basic operation of the circuit is to count up when  $X = 0$ , and to count down when  $X = 1$ .

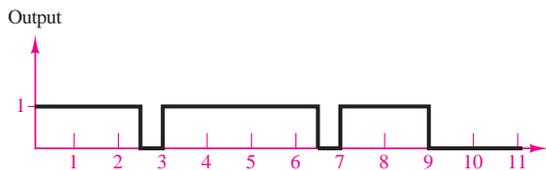
Clock	X	Output 2	$T_1$	Output 1
↑	0	0	0	No change
↑	1	1	0	No change
↑	0	1	1	Toggle
↑	1	0	1	Toggle



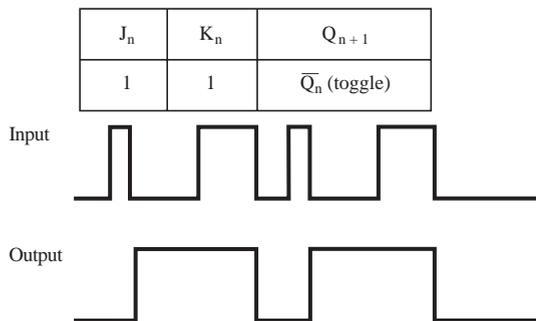
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## Chapter 13

13.3  $\left[ 2(L - M_S)s + 1 + 2\frac{R_S}{R_L} \right] V_{\text{out}} = (M_1 - M_2)sI_L$

13.7 a.  $W_m = 1.25 \text{ J}$ ;  $L_\Delta = 2H$     b.  $V_L(t) = \sin(2\pi t) + 4\pi \cos(2\pi t)$

13.11  $\phi_1 = \frac{Ni}{\mathfrak{R}_{g1}} = 1.26 \times 10^{-4} \text{ Wb}$ ;  $B_1 = \frac{\phi_1}{A} = 1.26 \text{ Wb/m}^2$ ;  $\phi_2 = \frac{1}{2}\phi_1 = 0.63 \times 10^{-4} \text{ Wb}$ ;  $B_2 = \frac{1}{2}B_1 = 0.63 \text{ Wb/m}^2$

13.15  $i = 7.59 \text{ A}$

13.17 a.  $i = 1.257 \text{ A}$     b. Since the current is directly proportional to  $B$ , the current will have to be doubled.

13.19 a.  $N = 5$     b.  $\eta = 80.1\%$

13.21 a.  $\alpha = 15$     b.  $V_2 = 8 \text{ V}$     c.  $R_L = 0.2 \Omega$

13.25 a.  $N_h = 920$  turns;  $N_l = 96$  turns    b.  $I_h = 2 \text{ A}$     c.  $\alpha = 0.1044$

13.28 a.  $W_m = 1.568 \text{ J}$     b.  $f = -224 \text{ N}$

13.36  $f = 173.5 \text{ N}$

13.37 a.  $\mathfrak{R} = \frac{x}{\mu_0 w^2} + \frac{l_g}{\mu_0 w(w-x)}$     b.  $W_m = \frac{(N_1 + N_2)^2 i^2}{2\mathfrak{R}}$     c.  $f = \frac{i^2 (N_1 + N_2) \left( \frac{x}{\mu_0 w^2} + \frac{l_g}{\mu_0 w(w-x)} \right)}{2 \left( \frac{x}{\mu_0 w^2} + \frac{l_g}{\mu_0 w(w-x)} \right)^2}$

13.41  $v = iR + \frac{N^2 \mu_0 A}{2x} \frac{di}{dt}$ ;  $m \frac{d^2 x}{dt^2} + kx = \frac{N^2 i^2 \mu A}{4x^2}$

13.47  $f = 1.2l \text{ N}$  force will be to the left if current flows upward.

13.51 For  $k = 50,000 \text{ N/m}$ , the transfer function is  $\frac{U}{V} = \frac{1.478 \times 10^5 s}{s^3 + 3,075s^2 + 9 \times 10^6 s + 4 \times 10^9}$

This response would correspond to a midrange speaker. For  $k = 5 \times 10^6 \text{ N/m}$ , the transfer function is

$$\frac{U}{V} = \frac{1.478 \times 10^5 s}{s^3 + 3,075s^2 + 5.04 \times 10^8 s + 4 \times 10^{11}}$$

This response would correspond to a treble range speaker. For  $k = 0$ , the transfer function is

$$\frac{U}{V} = \frac{1.478 \times 10^5}{s^2 + 3,075s + 4 \times 10^6}$$

In this case, the speaker acts as a "woofer," emphasizing the low-frequency range.

## Chapter 14

- 14.1 a.  $P'_e = 8.75 \text{ kW}$     b.  $P'_e = 10.8 \text{ kW}$
- 14.4  $\phi = 3.2 \text{ mWb}$
- 14.6 a.  $250 \text{ V}$     b.  $23 \text{ kW}$
- 14.9 No-load:  $V_L = E_b - i_a R_a = 4,820.4 \text{ V}$ ; Half-load:  $V_L = 4,810.7 \text{ V}$
- 14.11  $V = 193 \text{ V}$
- 14.14  $R_{\text{add}} = 2.15 \Omega$
- 14.18  $56.7 \text{ hp}$
- 14.22 a.  $P_f = 2,988.7 \text{ W}$ ;  $\frac{P_f}{P_m} = 0.072 = 7.2\%$   
 b.  $P_f = 1,770 \text{ W}$ ;  $P_R = 530 \text{ W}$   
 c.  $\%P_f = 4.05\%$ ;  $\%P_R = 1.21\%$
- 14.25 
$$\omega_n = \sqrt{\frac{R_a b + K_{aPM} K_{TPM}}{J L_a}}; \zeta = \frac{1}{2} \frac{J R_a + b L_a}{J L_a} \sqrt{\frac{J L_a}{R_a b + K_{aPM} K_{TPM}}}$$
- From these expressions, we can see that both natural frequency and damping ratio are affected by each of the parameters of the system, and that one cannot predict the nature of the damping without knowing numerical values of the parameters.
- 14.30 a.  $L_a \frac{dI_a(t)}{dt} + R_a I_a(t) + k_f \frac{V_S(t)}{R_f} \omega_m(t) = V_S(t)$   
 $-k_f \frac{V_S(t)}{R_f} I_a(t) + J \frac{d\omega_m(t)}{dt} + b \omega_m(t) = T_L(t)$   
 b.  $L_a \frac{d\delta I_a(t)}{dt} + R_a \delta I_a(t) + \frac{k_f}{R_f} \bar{V}_S \delta \omega_m(t) = \delta V_S(t) - \frac{k_f}{R_f} \bar{\omega}_m \delta V_S(t)$   
 $-\frac{k_f}{R_f} \bar{V}_S \delta I_a(t) + J \frac{d\delta \omega_m(t)}{dt} + b \delta \omega_m(t) = \bar{I}_a \delta V_S(t) + \delta T_L(t)$
- 14.33 
$$\left. \frac{\Omega_m(s)}{T_L(s)} \right|_{V_a(s)=0} = \frac{s L_a + R_a}{(s L_a + R_a)[s(J_m + J) + (b_m + b)] + k_a^2}$$
  

$$\left. \frac{\Omega_m(s)}{V_a(s)} \right|_{T_L(s)=0} = \frac{k_a}{(s L_a + R_a)[s(J_m + J) + (b_m + b)] + k_a^2}$$
- 14.44  $\text{pf}_m = 0.636$  leading;  $S_m = 708 \text{ kVA}$
- 14.47  $I = 13.495 \angle 90^\circ \text{ A}$ . The current is leading the voltage.
- 14.50  $T = 875.1 \text{ N-m}$
- 14.53  $s = 0.025$ ;  $I_S = 54.6 \angle (-19.98^\circ) \text{ A}$ ;  $P_{\text{in}} = 35.6 \text{ kW}$   
 $P_m = (1 - s)P_t = 32.97 \text{ kW}$ ;  $T_{sh} = 175 \text{ N-m}$ ;  $\eta = 0.904$
- 14.56 a.  $\text{slip} = 0.04 = 4\%$     b.  $\text{reg} = 0.035 = 3.5\%$
- 14.60  $n = 1,152 \text{ r/min}$ ;  $T_{\text{out}} = 266.7 \text{ N-m}$
- 14.67  $I_S = 7.11 \angle (-88.7^\circ) \text{ A}$ ;  $\text{pf} = 0.0224$  lagging
- 14.70 a.  $s_{FL} = 0.097$     b.  $s_{MT} = 0.382$     c.  $379\%$

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