

### Chapter 1 - Basics

- **Electric current = (i):** time rate of change of charge, measured in amperes (A).
- **Charge = (q):** integral of i
- **Voltage (or potential difference) = (V):** energy required to move a unit charge through an element
- **Power = (W):**  $v_i = (i^2)R$
- **Passive sign convention:** when the current enters through the positive terminal of an element ( $p = +v_i$ )

**Remember:**

- +Power absorbed = -Power supplied --> sum of power in a circuit = 0
- **Energy (J)** = integral of P

### Chapter 2

**Ohms Law:**  $v=iR$

**Conductance (G)** =  $1/R = i/v$

**Branch:** single element such as a voltage source or a resistor.

**Node:** point of connection between two or more branches

**Loop:** any closed path in a circuit.

**Kirchhoff's current law (KCL):** algebraic sum of currents entering a node (or a closed boundary) is zero.

### Chapter 2 (cont)

**Kirchhoff's voltage law (KVL):** algebraic sum of all voltages around a closed path (or loop) is zero.

**Voltage D:**  $v_1 = ((R_1) / (R_1 + R_2)) * v$

**Voltage D:**  $v_2 = ((R_2 / (R_1 + R_2)) * v$

**Current D:**  $i_1 = (R_2 * i) / (R_1 + R_2)$

**Current D:**  $i_2 = (R_1 * i) / (R_1 + R_2)$

### Chapter 3 - Methods of Analysis

**Nodal Analysis:** want to find the node voltages

Step 1:  
select reference node

- assign voltages  $v_1 \rightarrow v_n$  to remaining nodes

Step 2:  
apply KCL to each node

- want to express branch currents in terms of voltage

Step 3:  
solve for unknowns

**Important:**

**current flows from high to low (+ ==> -)**

**SuperNode Properties**

1. The voltage source inside the supernode provides a constraint equation needed to solve for the node voltages
2. Supernode had no voltage of its own
3. Supernode requires the application of both KCL and KVL

**Mesh Analysis**

### Chapter 3 - Methods of Analysis (cont)

Step 1:  
Assign mesh currents or loops

Step 2:  
Apply KVL

- use OHMS LAW to express voltages in terms of the mesh current

Step 3:  
Solve for the unknown

**Supermesh**

- when two meshes have an independent or dependent CURRENT source between them

### Chapter 4 - Circuit Theorems

**Superposition**

principal states that the VOLTAGE ACROSS or CURRENT THROUGH an element in a linear circuit is the SUM of the VOLTAGES OR CURRENTS that are caused after solving for each INDEPENDENT source separately

*How to solve a superposition circuit*

Step 1: Turn OFF ALL independent sources except for ONE ==> find voltage or current

Step 2: Repeat above for all other independent sources

Step 3: Add all voltages/currents together to find final value

**Thevenin's Theorem**

$V(th) = V(oc)$

### Chapter 4 - Circuit Theorems (cont)

circuit with Load:  $I(L) = V(th) / (R(th) + R(L)) \Rightarrow V(L) = R(L) / (L) \Rightarrow (R(L) / ((R(th) + R(L)) V(th))$

**Norton's Theorem**

$R(n) = R(th)$

$I(n) = i(sc) \Rightarrow (sc) = \text{short circuit}$

$I(n) = V(th) / R(th)$

**Maximum Power Transfer**

max power is transferred to the LOAD RESISTOR when the LOAD RESISTOR is EQUAL to the THEVENIN RESISTANCE:

$R(L) = R(th)$

$p(max) = V(th)^2 / 4R(th)$

### Chapter 6 - Capacitors and Inductors

**Capacitors**

$q = C * v$

**capacitance:** ratio of the charge on one plate to the voltage difference between the two plates

$i(t) = C(dv/dt)$

$v(t) = 1/C [\text{Integral: } i(T)dT + v(t_0)]$

T = time constant

energy (w) =  $.5Cv^2$

**Important:**

**VOLTAGE of a capacitor cannot change instantaneously**

**Capacitors in Series:**  $1 / Ceq = 1/C_1 + 1/C_2 + 1/C_n$

**Capacitors in Parallel:**  $Ceq = C_1 + C_2 + C_n$

**Inductors**

$v = L(di / dt)$

### Chapter 6 - Capacitors and Inductors (cont)

$i = (1/L) \int (v(t)dt + i(t_0))$   
energy (w) =  $.5Li^2$

**Important:**

**CURRENT through an inductor cannot change instantaneously**

**Inductors in Series:**

$Leq = L1 + L2 + Ln$

**Inductors in Parallel:**

$1/Leq = 1/L1 + 1/L2 + 1/Ln$

### Chapter 7 - First Order Circuits

#### Source Free RC Circuits

$v(t) = V0 * e^{-t/T} \Rightarrow T = RC$

*How to Solve SOURCE FREE RC CIRCUITS*

Step 1: Find  $v0 = V0$  across the capacitor

Step 2: Find T (time constant)

#### Source Free RL Circuits

$i(t) = I0 * e^{-t/T} \Rightarrow T = L / R$

$vr(t) = iR = I0 * Re^{-t/T}$

*How to Solve SOURCE FREE RL CIRCUITS*

Step 1: Find  $i(0) = I0$  through the inductor

Step 2: Find T (time constant)

#### Step response of an RC circuit

$v(t) = V0$  when  $t < 0$

$v(t) = Vs + (V0 - Vs)e^{-t/T}$  when  $t > 0$

$v = vn + vf \Rightarrow vn = V0e^{-t/T}, vf = Vs(1 - e^{-t/T})$

OR

$v(t) = v(\text{infinity}) + [(v(0) - v(\text{infinity}))e^{-t/T}]$

### Chapter 7 - First Order Circuits (cont)

*How to solve a STEP*

*RESPONSE OF AN RC CIRCUIT*

Step 1: Find initial capacitor voltage  $v0$  ( $t < 0$ )

Step 2: Find final capacitor voltage  $v(\text{in})$  ( $t > 0$ )

Step 3: Find T (time constant) ( $t > 0$ )

#### Step response of an RL circuit

$i(t) = i(\text{infinity}) + [i(0) - i(\text{infinity})]e^{-t/T}$

*How to solve a STEP*

*RESPONSE OF AN RL CIRCUIT*

Step 1: Find initial inductor current  $i0$  ( $t = 0$ )

Step 2: Find final inductor current  $i(\text{inf}) \Rightarrow (t > 0)$

Step 3: Find T (time constant) ( $t > 0$ )

### Chapter 8 - Second Order Circuits

#### Source Free RLC Circuits

$v(0) = 1/C \int (idt = v0)$  from 0 to -infinity]

$i(0) = I(0)$

#### Determining Dampness

$(\alpha) = R / (2L)$

$(\omega w0) = 1 / \sqrt{LC}$

#### 1 - Overdamped ( $\alpha > w0$ )

$i(t) = Ae^{s1t} + Be^{s2t}$

#### 2 - Critically Damped ( $\alpha = w0$ )

$s1 = s2 = a$

$i(t) = (A + Bt)e^{-at}$

#### 3 - Underdamped ( $\alpha < w0$ )

$i(t) = e^{-at}(A \cos(w0t) + B \sin(w0t))$

### Chapter 8 - Second Order Circuits (cont)

#### Source Free Parallel Circuits

roots of characteristic equation

$s1,2 = -a \pm \sqrt{a^2 + w0^2}$

$a = 1/(2RC)$

$w0 = 1/\sqrt{LC}$

#### 1 - Overdamped ( $\alpha > w0$ )

$i(t) = Ae^{s1t} + Be^{s2t}$

#### 2 - Critically Damped ( $\alpha = w0$ )

$s1 = s2 = a$

$i(t) = (A + Bt)e^{-at}$

#### 3 - Underdamped ( $\alpha < w0$ )

$i(t) = e^{-at}(A \cos(wd(t)) + B \sin(wd(t)))$

#### Step Response of a SERIES RLC Circuit

##### 1 - Overdamped ( $\alpha > w0$ )

$v(t) = Vs + Ae^{s1t} + Be^{s2t}$

##### 2 - Critically Damped ( $\alpha = w0$ )

$s1 = s2 = a$

$v(t) = Vs + (A + Bt)e^{-at}$

##### 3 - Underdamped ( $\alpha < w0$ )

$v(t) = Vs + e^{-at}(A \cos(wd(t)) + B \sin(wd(t)))$

#### Step Response of a PARALLEL RLC Circuit

##### 1 - Overdamped ( $\alpha > w0$ )

$i(t) = Is + Ae^{s1t} + Be^{s2t}$

##### 2 - Critically Damped ( $\alpha = w0$ )

$s1 = s2 = a$

$i(t) = Is + (A + Bt)e^{-at}$

##### 3 - Underdamped ( $\alpha < w0$ )

$i(t) = Is + e^{-at}(A \cos(wd(t)) + B \sin(wd(t)))$

### Chapter 9 - Sinusoids and Phasors

$w = \omega$

$T = 2\pi / w$

freq =  $1 / T$  (Hertz)

$v(t) = v(m) \sin(wt + \theta)$

$v1(t) = v(m) \sin(wt)$

$v2(t) = v(m) \sin(wt + \theta)$

$\sin(A \pm B) = \sin A \cos B \pm$

$\cos A \sin B$

$\cos(A \pm B) = \cos A \cos B \pm$

$\sin A \sin B$

$A \cos(wt) + B \sin(wt) = C \cos(wt - \theta)$

$C = \sqrt{A^2 + B^2}$

$\theta = \tan^{-1}(B/A)$

#### Complex Numbers

rectangular form:  $z = x + jy$

polar:  $z = r \angle (\theta)$

expolar:  $z = re^{j(\theta)}$

$\sin: r(\cos(\theta) + j \sin(\theta))$

$z = x + jy$

$z1 = x1 + jy1 \Rightarrow r1 \angle (\theta1)$

$z2 = x2 + jy2 \Rightarrow r2 \angle (\theta2)$

#### operations

addition:  $z1 + z2 \Rightarrow (x1 + x2) +$

$j(y1 + y2)$

subtraction:  $z1 - z2 \Rightarrow (x1 - x2) +$

$j(y1 - y2)$

multiplication:  $z1z2 \Rightarrow r1r2 \angle$

$((\theta1) + (\theta2))$

division:  $z1/z2 \Rightarrow r1/r2 \angle$

$((\theta1) - (\theta2))$

reciprocal:  $1/z = 1/r \angle -(\theta)$

square:  $\sqrt{z} = \sqrt{r} \angle$

$(\theta)/2$

## Chapter 9 - Sinusoids and Phasors (cont)

complex conjugate:  $z^* = x - jy = r < -(\theta)$   
 $= re^{-j(\theta)}$

### real vs. imaginary

$e^{+j(\theta)} = \cos(\theta) + j\sin(\theta)$   
 $e^{-j(\theta)} = \cos(\theta) - j\sin(\theta)$

$\cos(\theta) = \text{REAL}$

$j\sin(\theta) = \text{IMAGINARY}$

### voltage-current relationship

$R v = R i$  (time domain)  $V = R I$   
(frequency domain)

$L v = L(di/dt)$  (time)  $V = j\omega L I$

$C i = C(dv/dt)$  (time)  $V = I / j\omega C$

### Impedance vs. admittance

$R Z = R$  (impedance)  $Y = 1 / R$

$L Z = j\omega L$   $Y = 1 / j\omega L$

$C Z = 1 / j\omega C$   $Y = j\omega C$

### Complex Numbers with

#### Impedance

$Z = R + jX = |Z| < (\theta)$

$|Z| = \sqrt{R^2 + X^2}$

$(\theta) = \tan^{-1}(X / R)$

$R = |Z| \cos(\theta)$

$X = |Z| \sin(\theta)$

## Chapter 10 - AC Circuits

### Analyzing AC Circuits

Step 1: Transform circuit to  
phasor or frequency domain

Step 2: Solve Using Circuit  
Techniques

Step 3: Transform phasor ==>

time domain



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