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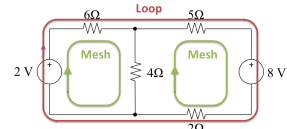
Charge, q , $1.6022 \cdot 10^{-19} C$, Coulombs	Voltage, v , Volt
Current, i , Amperes	Energy, w , Watt
Power, p – w/t Watt = J/s	Inductance, L - Henrys
Resistance, R - Ohms	Capacitance, C - Farads

Prefixes:

Giga	G	$\wedge 9$
Mega	M	$\wedge 6$
Kilo	K	$\wedge 3$
Milli	m	$\wedge -3$
Micro	μ	$\wedge -6$
Nano	n	$\wedge -9$
Pico	p	$\wedge -12$
Femto	f	$\wedge -15$

Terms

Passive Element	Cannot generate energy
Impedance, Z	Complex resistance, Ohms. Captures the magnitude and phase change associated with the circuit element.
Attenuation	Gain of less than 1
Node	A point where two or more circuit elements join
Essential Node	A point where three or more elements join
Earth	An earthed ground is literally attached to the ground
Loop	A path with the same start and end node
Mesh	A loop that does not enclose any other loops.

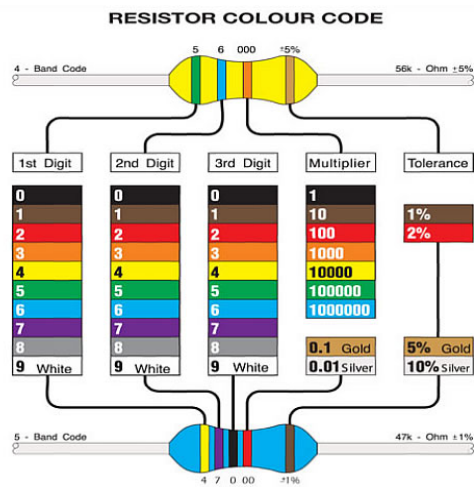


Main Formulae:

Current:	$i = \frac{dq}{dt}, 1A = \frac{1C}{s}$
Voltage:	$v = \frac{dw}{dq}, 1V = \frac{1J}{C}$
Power:	$p = \frac{dw}{dt}, 1W = \frac{1J}{s}$
Ohms Law:	$v = iR$
Voltage Divider	 $v_j = v \frac{R_j}{R_1 + R_2}$
Current Divider	 $i_j = \frac{v}{R_j} = i \left(\frac{R_1 R_2 R_3}{R_j} \right)$
Capacitor Equation:	$q = Cv, i = C \frac{dv}{dt}, 1F = 1C/v$
Inductor Equation:	$v = L \frac{di}{dt}$

Decibels, dB	gain in dB = $20 \log_{10} H $ $H = V_{out}/V_{in}$
KVL	 $v_1 - v_2 - v_3 = 0$ $v_1 = v_2 + v_3$
KCL	 $i_1 + i_2 + i_3 = 0$ $i_1 + i_2 = -i_3$ $i_1 + i_2 - i_3 = 0$ $i_1 + i_2 = i_3$

Resistors:



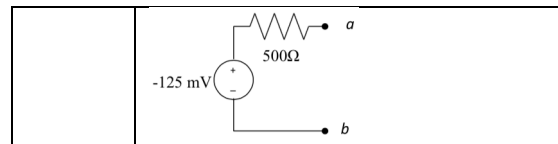
Wheatstone Bridge Circuit:

What is it?	-Can be used as a strain gauge -Bridge is said to be balanced when no current flows through the ammeter -Balance by adjusting R_3
Diagram:	 $R_x = \frac{R_2}{R_1} R_3$

Mesh Analysis:

What is it?	Complex circuit analysis method -must choose a ground
Steps:	-Label unknown mesh currents -Find v across each of the circuit elements in terms of mesh currents -Use KVL to create simultaneous equations -Solve for mesh currents

$i_s R_s < (v_s - v_z)$
For a small negative i , $i_s \approx i_L$
 $\therefore i_L R_s < (v_s - v_z)$
 $i_L < \frac{(v_s - v_z)}{R_s}$
 $i_L < 100 \text{ mA}$



Capacitors:

What do they do?	-Caps store energy as voltage
$C = \frac{\epsilon A}{d}$	A = Area of Plates Epsilon = Dielectric Constant d = Distance Between Plates
Series/Parallel	$C_{parallel} = C_1 + C_2$ $C_{series} = (C^{-1} + C^{-1})^{-1}$
DC Steady State	$i = C \frac{dV}{dT} = 0$ v is constant = open circuit
NB	Discharged Caps are at 0V
Relationship to vi	$v(t) = \frac{1}{C} \int_0^t i \, d\tau + v(0)$
Energy in a Cap	$w = \frac{1}{2} C v^2, \text{ Watts}$

Equivalent Circuits:

Thevenin Equivalent Circuit

$e = \frac{V_1 R_3}{R_1 + R_3}$
 $r = R_2 + \frac{R_1 R_3}{R_1 + R_3}$

Norton Equivalent Circuit

$r = R_2 + \frac{R_1 R_3}{R_1 + R_3}$
 $i = \frac{V_{AB}}{r}$

N.B. The r values are the same for Norton and Thevenin

$i_{sc} = \frac{v_{OC}}{R_{th}}$
 $R_{th} = R_p$

Super-position
Calculate for each individual element.
Current sources get set to open circuits
Voltage sources get set to short circuits

Getting Maximum Power From a Thevenin Source

$i_L = \frac{v_{Th}}{R_{Th} + R_L}$
 $P_L = i_L^2 R_L = \frac{v_{Th}^2}{(R_{Th} + R_L)^2} \cdot R_L$

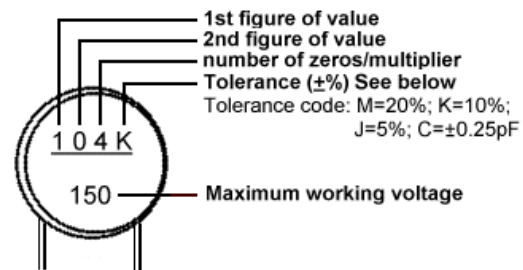
Thevenin Dependant Source

E.g.

Find the Thevenin equivalent

$i_x = \frac{6 \times 10^{-3}}{1200} = 5 \times 10^{-6} = 5 \mu\text{A}$
 $v_{Th} = v_a - v_b = -50 \times 5 \mu\text{A} \times 500 \Omega = -125 \text{ mV}$
 $i_{sc} = -50 i_x = -50 \times \frac{6 \times 10^{-3}}{1200} = -250 \mu\text{A}$
 $R_{Th} = \frac{-125 \text{ mV}}{-250 \mu\text{A}} = 500 \Omega$

Which produces the following:



Natural Response of RC Circuit – Discharging	<p> $v(t) = v(0) e^{-\frac{t}{RC}}$ Tau = RC = time constant </p>
Step Response of and RC – charging	<p> $v(t) = I_s R + (V_0 - I_s R) e^{-\frac{t}{RC}}$ $t \geq 0$ </p>

Inductor:

What do they do?	-Store energy as current -Cannot generate energy, passive element
Series/Parallel	$L_{series} = L_1 + L_2$ $L_{parallel} = (L^{-1} + L^{-1})^{-1}$
DC Steady State	$v = L \frac{di}{dT} = 0$ I is constant, short circuit