

Mock Exam - Thevenin Equivalent Problem

Question 3.

For the circuit shown in *Figure 3* determine the Thevenin's equivalent circuit.

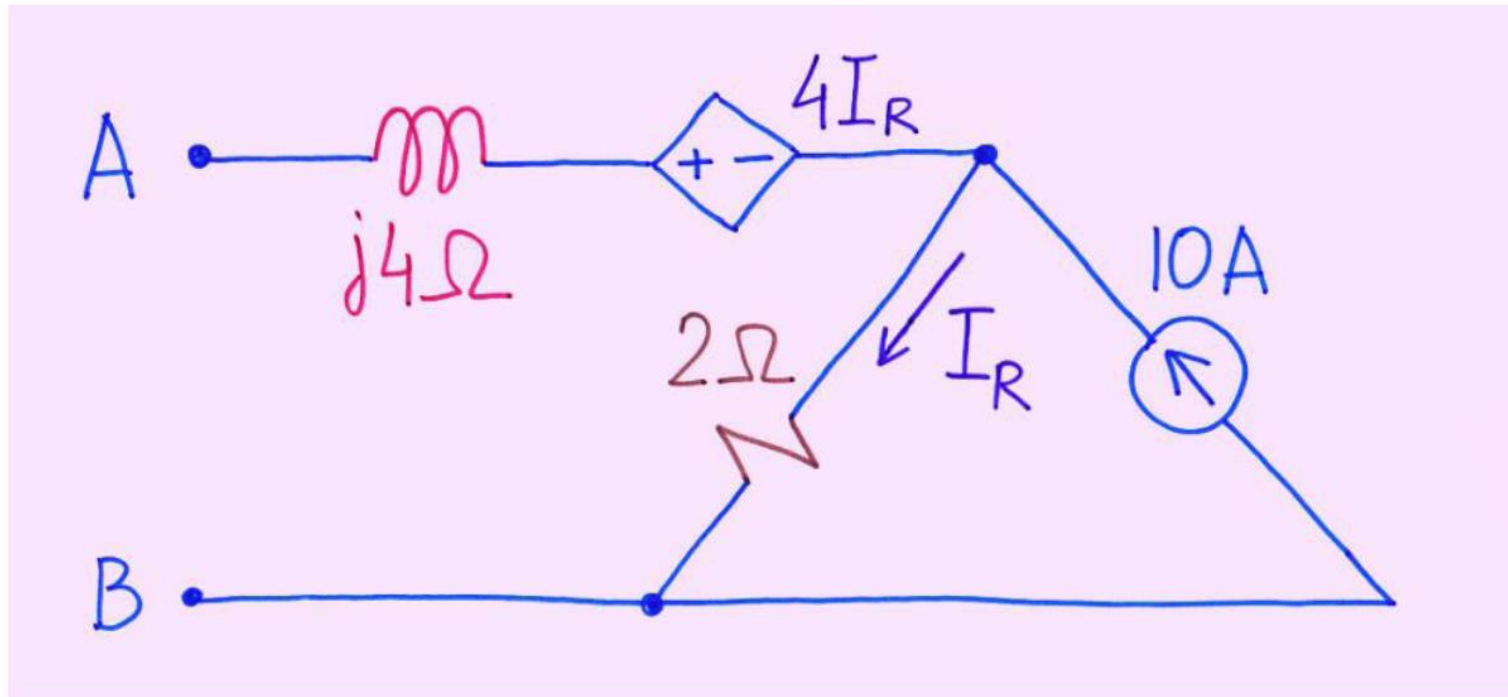
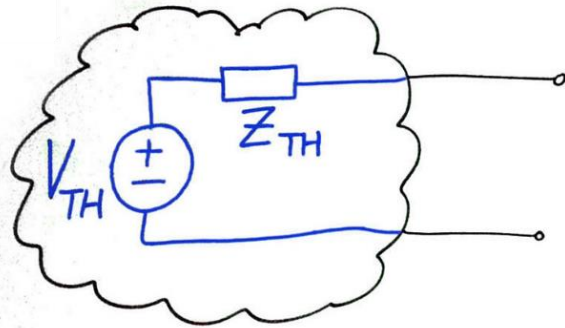


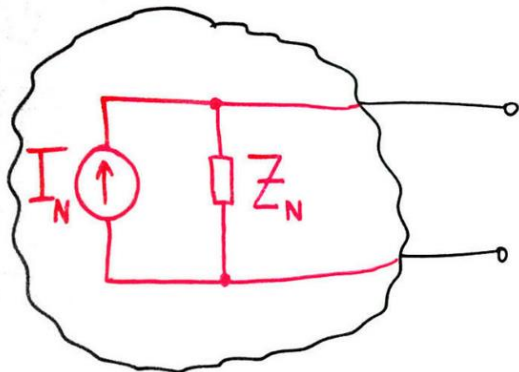
Figure 3

Thevenin Theorem – Equivalent

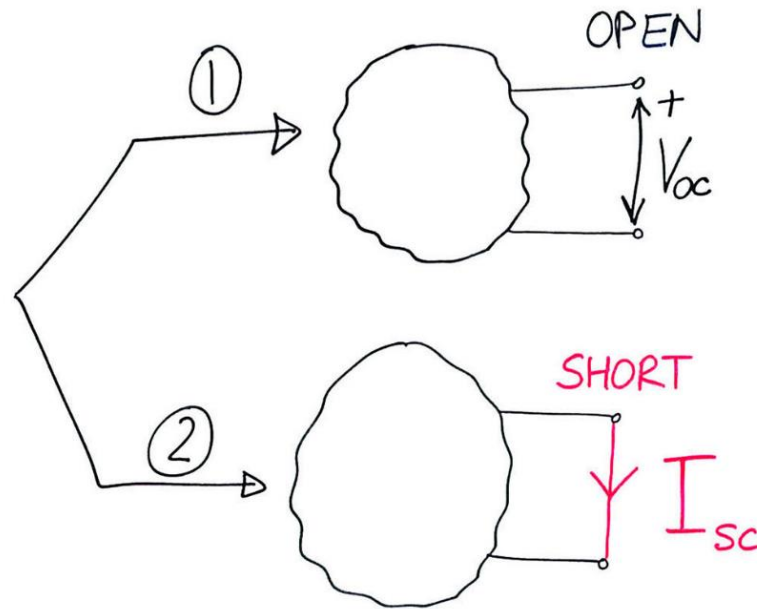
Thevenin Equivalent



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Norton Equivalent



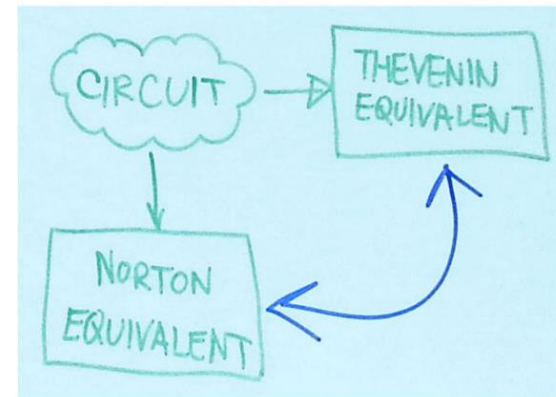
$$1) V_{TH} = V_{OC}$$

$$2) \text{ ALWAYS } Z_{TH} = \frac{V_{OC}}{I_{SC}}$$

$$I_N = \frac{V_{TH}}{Z_{TH}}$$

$$Z_N = Z_{TH}$$

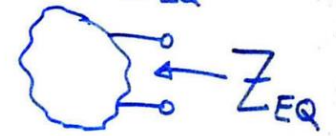
ONLY CIRCUITS WITH INDEPENDENT SOURCES



"SHORTCUT"

- SWITCH OFF ALL THE SOURCES

- FIND Z_{EQ}

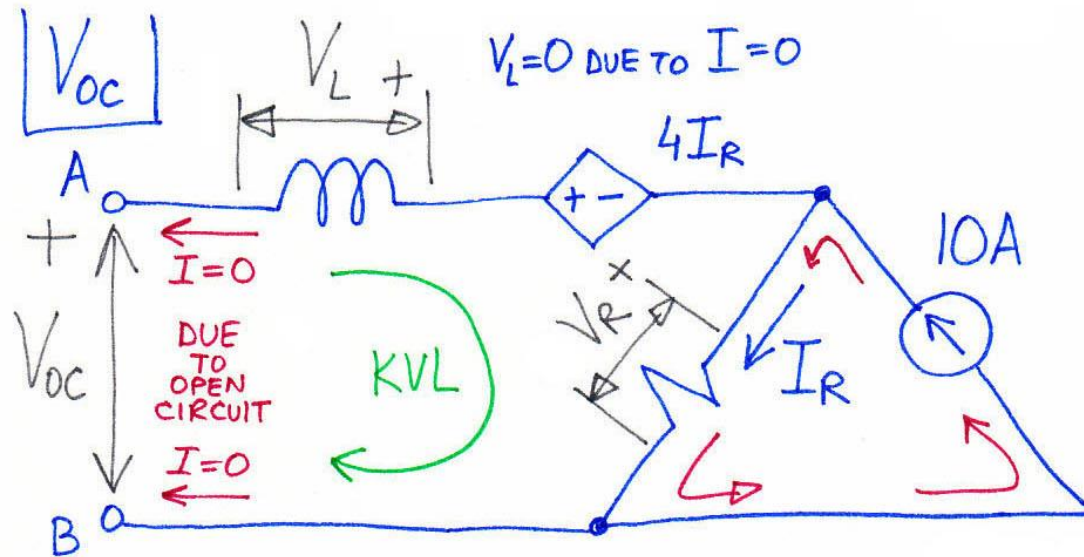


$$Z_{TH} = Z_{EQ}$$

Thevenin Equivalent – Solution (page 1)

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CIRCUIT CONTAINS DEPENDENT SOURCE
⇒ MUST FIND BOTH V_{oc} & I_{sc}



$$I_R = 10A$$

CIRCULATING CURRENT

$$V_R = I_R \cdot R$$
$$= 10A \cdot 2\Omega$$
$$= 20V$$

$$\text{KVL: } -V_{oc} - V_L + 4I_R + V_R = 0$$

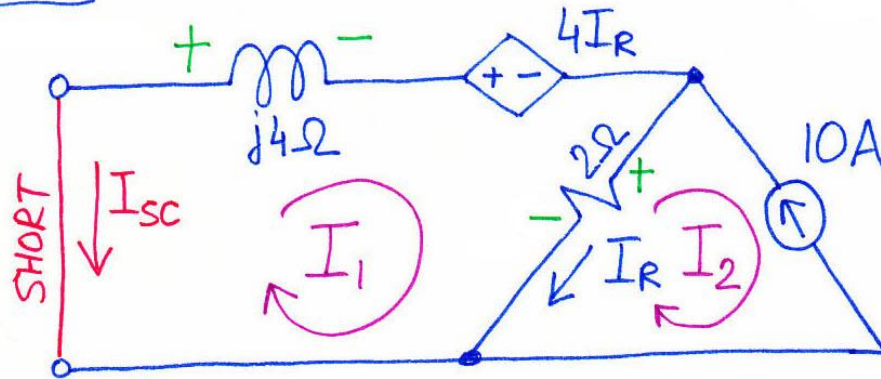
$$V_{oc} = -0 + 4 \cdot 10 + 20 \Rightarrow \boxed{V_{oc} = 60V}$$

$$\underline{V_{TH} = V_{oc} = 60V}$$

Thevenin Equivalent – Solution (page 2)

I_{sc}

REDRAW CIRCUIT:



$$I_2 = -10A \quad \checkmark$$

$$\begin{aligned} I_R &= I_1 - I_2 \\ &= I_1 - (-10A) \\ &= I_1 + 10A \end{aligned}$$

CANNOT USE CURRENT DIVIDER DUE TO (DEPENDENT) SOURCE.
USE MESH CURRENTS:

$$\text{KVL LOOP 1: } +Z_L I_1 + 4I_R + R I_R = 0 \quad \text{KVL EQUATION}$$

$$j4I_1 + 4(I_1 + 10) + 2(I_1 + 10) = 0$$

$$j4I_1 + 6I_1 + 60 = 0$$

$$(6 + j4)I_1 = -60$$

$$\text{THUS } I_1 = \frac{-60}{6 + j4} \cdot \frac{6 - j4}{6 - j4} = \frac{-360 + j240}{36 + 16} = -\frac{90}{13} + j\frac{60}{13} \text{ A}$$

$$I_{sc} = -I_1 = \frac{90}{13} - j\frac{60}{13} \text{ A}$$

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Z_{TH}

$$Z_{TH} = \frac{V_{oc}}{I_{sc}} = \frac{60}{\frac{90}{13} - j\frac{60}{13}} = \frac{6 \cdot 13}{9 - j6} \cdot \frac{9 + j6}{9 + j6} = \frac{702 + j468}{9^2 + 6^2} = 6 + j4 \Omega$$

$$Z_{TH} = 6 + j4 \Omega$$

