

# Exam Winter Semester 2022

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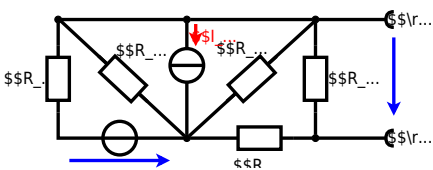
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**Exercise E1 Equivalent linear Source  
(written test, approx. 14 % of a 60-minute written test, WS2022)**

The circuit in the following has to be simplified.  
Result

$$\begin{aligned} U_{\text{S}} &= U_{\text{AB}} = 4.5 \text{ V} \\ R_{\text{i}} &= R_{\text{AB}} = 6 \Omega \end{aligned}$$



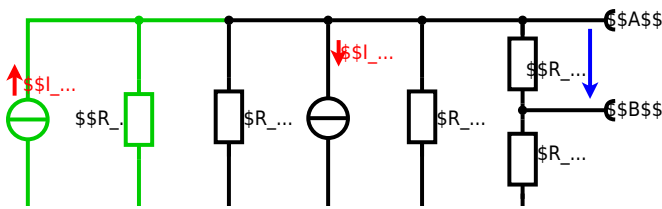
Calculated the internal resistance  $R_{\text{i}}$  and the source voltage  $U_{\text{S}}$  of an equivalent linear voltage source on the connectors  $\text{A}$  and  $\text{B}$ .  
 $R_1=5.0 \Omega$ ,  $U_2=6.0 \text{ V}$ ,  $R_3= 10 \Omega$ ,  $I_4=4.2 \text{ A}$ ,  $R_5=10 \Omega$ ,  $R_6=7.5 \Omega$ ,  $R_7=15 \Omega$   
 Use equivalent sources in order to simplify the circuit!

Solution

The best thing is to re-think the wiring like rubber bands and adjust them:



The linear voltage source of  $U_2$  and  $R_1$  can be transformed into a current source  $I_2 = \frac{U_2}{R_1}$  and  $R_1$ :



Now a lot of them can be combined. The resistors  $R_1$ ,  $R_3$ ,  $R_5$  are in parallel, like also  $I_2$  and  $I_4$ :

$$R_{135} = R_1 || R_3 || R_5$$

$$I_{24} = I_2 - I_4$$

The resulting circuit can again be transformed:



Here, the  $U_{24}$  is calculated by  $I_{24}$  as the following:

$$U_{24} = I_{24} \cdot R_{135} + I_{24} \cdot R_6$$

$$U_{AB} = U_{24} \cdot \left( \frac{R_7}{R_6 + R_7 + R_1 || R_3 || R_5} \right) - I_4 \cdot R_1 || R_3 || R_5$$

On the right side of the last circuit, there is a voltage divider given by  $R_{135}$ ,  $R_6$ , and  $R_7$ .

Therefore the voltage between  $A$  and  $B$  is given as:

$$U_{AB} = U_{24} \cdot \left( \frac{R_7}{R_6 + R_7 + R_1 || R_3 || R_5} \right) - \left( \frac{U_2}{R_1} - I_4 \right) \cdot R_1 || R_3 || R_5$$

For the internal resistance  $R_i$  the ideal voltage source is substituted by its resistance ( $=0 \Omega$ , so a short-circuit):

$$R_{AB} = R_7 || (R_6 + R_1 || R_3 || R_5)$$

with  $R_1 || R_3 || R_5 = 5 \Omega || 10 \Omega || 10 \Omega = 5 \Omega || 5 \Omega = 2.5 \Omega$ :

$$U_{AB} = \left( \frac{6.0 \text{ V}}{5.0 \Omega} \right) - 4.2 \Omega \cdot \left( \frac{15 \Omega \cdot 2.5 \Omega}{7.5 \Omega + 15 \Omega + 2.5 \Omega} \right)$$

$$R_{AB} = 15 \Omega || (7.5 \Omega + 2.5 \Omega)$$

**Exercise E2 Temperature-dependent Resistance (written test, approx. 6 % of a 60-minute written test, WS2022)**

2. A refrigerator is explained with the effect of resistance on refrigeration system. The refrigerator has a resistance of  $10 \Omega$  at  $25^\circ \text{C}$  and  $25 \Omega$  at  $-40^\circ \text{C}$ .

Its temperature coefficients are:  $\alpha = 0.01 \text{ K}^{-1}$  and  $\beta = 71 \cdot 10^{-6} \text{ K}^{-2}$ .

**Result** The temperature inside the refrigeration system can reach down to  $-40^\circ \text{C}$ .

Calculate the resistance of the thermistor at  $-40^\circ \text{C}$ .

The power transferred to the resistor is  $P = U \cdot I$  and  $I = \frac{U}{R}$ . Therefore, a solution is to increase the heat flow up the refrigeration system.

Therefore, with constant  $U$  and increasing  $R$  the power decreases. Ten times more resistance decreases the heat flow to one-tenth.

$$R = R_0 \cdot (1 + \alpha \cdot \Delta T + \beta \cdot \Delta T^2)$$

with  $\Delta T = T_{\text{end}} - T_{\text{start}}$

$$R = 10 \Omega \cdot \left( 1 + 0.01 \text{ K}^{-1} \cdot (-40^\circ \text{C} - 25^\circ \text{C}) + 71 \cdot 10^{-6} \text{ K}^{-2} \cdot (-40^\circ \text{C} - 25^\circ \text{C})^2 \right)$$

**Exercise E5 Analyzing complex Impedances**  
 (written test, approx. 14 % of a 60-minute written test, WS2022)

2. Calculate the complex power  $S$  (W) and the complex power factor  $\cos \varphi$  in the circuit shown in the figure. The voltage  $u(t) = 3.0 \sin(2\pi \cdot 15 \cdot t)$  V and the current  $i(t) = 0.22 \sin(2\pi \cdot 15 \cdot t + \varphi)$  A shall be given.

After analysis, the following complex power  $S$  and the complex power factor  $\cos \varphi$  in the circuit shall be given:  $S = 0.22 \cdot 3.0 \cdot \cos \varphi$  W and  $\cos \varphi = \dots$

Solution  
 .. Calculation of the physical values of the two components.  
 Solution  $R = 10 \Omega$  and  $X_L = 2\pi \cdot 15 \cdot 0.22 \cdot 10 = 19.8 \Omega$

Solution

$$\underline{I} = \frac{\underline{U}}{\underline{Z}} = \frac{3.0 \angle 0^\circ}{10 + j19.8} = 0.22 \angle -61.4^\circ$$
  
 The voltage  $u(t) = 3.0 \sin(2\pi \cdot 15 \cdot t)$  V and the current  $i(t) = 0.22 \sin(2\pi \cdot 15 \cdot t - 61.4^\circ)$  A shall be given.  
 The resulting complex power  $S$  is  $S = P + jQ = \frac{1}{2} \underline{U} \underline{I}^* = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 3.0 \cdot 0.22 \cdot \cos(-61.4^\circ) + j \frac{1}{2} \cdot 3.0 \cdot 0.22 \cdot \sin(-61.4^\circ)$   

$$S = 0.22 \cdot 3.0 \cdot \cos(-61.4^\circ) + j \frac{1}{2} \cdot 3.0 \cdot 0.22 \cdot \sin(-61.4^\circ) = 0.22 \cdot 3.0 \cdot 0.479 + j \frac{1}{2} \cdot 3.0 \cdot 0.22 \cdot (-0.879)$$
  

$$S = 0.315 \text{ W} - j0.285 \text{ var}$$
  
 The phase  $\varphi$  shall be calculated as  $\varphi = \arctan\left(\frac{\text{Im}(S)}{\text{Re}(S)}\right) = \arctan\left(\frac{-0.285}{0.315}\right) = -41.7^\circ$   
 With the complex power  $S$  the physical values shall be calculated as  $P = \text{Re}(S) = 0.315 \text{ W}$  and  $Q = \text{Im}(S) = -0.285 \text{ var}$   

$$\cos \varphi = \frac{P}{|S|} = \frac{0.315}{\sqrt{0.315^2 + 0.285^2}} = 0.479$$
  
 The phase  $\varphi$  shall be calculated as  $\varphi = \arctan\left(\frac{\text{Im}(S)}{\text{Re}(S)}\right) = \arctan\left(\frac{-0.285}{0.315}\right) = -41.7^\circ$

**Exercise E7 Complex Impedance Circuit**  
 (written test, approx. 15 % of a 60-minute written test, WS2022)

2. Calculate the complex power  $S$  (W) and the complex power factor  $\cos \varphi$  in the circuit shown in the figure. The voltage  $u(t) = 3.0 \sin(2\pi \cdot 15 \cdot t)$  V and the current  $i(t) = 0.22 \sin(2\pi \cdot 15 \cdot t + \varphi)$  A shall be given.

After analysis, the following complex power  $S$  and the complex power factor  $\cos \varphi$  in the circuit shall be given:  $S = 0.22 \cdot 3.0 \cdot \cos \varphi$  W and  $\cos \varphi = \dots$

Solution  
 .. Draw the circuit diagram of the given circuit.  
 Solution  $R = 10 \Omega$  and  $X_C = \frac{1}{2\pi \cdot 15 \cdot 0.22 \cdot 10^{-6}} = 377 \Omega$

Solution

$$\underline{Z} = R - jX_C = 10 - j377 = 387 \angle -88.4^\circ$$
  

$$\underline{I} = \frac{\underline{U}}{\underline{Z}} = \frac{3.0 \angle 0^\circ}{387 \angle -88.4^\circ} = 0.00775 \angle 88.4^\circ$$
  
 The resulting complex power  $S$  is  $S = P + jQ = \frac{1}{2} \underline{U} \underline{I}^* = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 3.0 \cdot 0.00775 \cdot \cos(88.4^\circ) + j \frac{1}{2} \cdot 3.0 \cdot 0.00775 \cdot \sin(88.4^\circ)$   

$$S = 0.0117 \text{ W} + j0.0117 \text{ var}$$
  
 The phase  $\varphi$  shall be calculated as  $\varphi = \arctan\left(\frac{\text{Im}(S)}{\text{Re}(S)}\right) = \arctan\left(\frac{0.0117}{0.0117}\right) = 45^\circ$





**Exercise E6 Impedances at different Frequencies**  
**(written test, approx. 18 % of a 60-minute written test, WS2022)**

2. A series circuit consists of a resistor with a resistance of  $R_1 = 1.00 \text{ k}\Omega$ , a capacitor with a capacitance of  $C_1 = 40 \text{ nF}$ , and an inductor with an inductance of  $L_1 = 4.7 \text{ }\mu\text{H}$ . The circuit is connected to an AC voltage source with a voltage of  $U = 10 \text{ V}$  and a frequency of  $f = 4 \text{ MHz}$ . Calculate the absolute value of the impedance  $|Z|$  of the circuit.

Solution

$$|Z| = \sqrt{R_1^2 + (X_L - X_C)^2}$$

$$|Z| = \sqrt{(1.00 \text{ k}\Omega)^2 + (2\pi \cdot 4 \text{ MHz} \cdot 4.7 \text{ }\mu\text{H} - \frac{1}{2\pi \cdot 4 \text{ MHz} \cdot 40 \text{ nF}})^2}$$

A series circuit means that the current is constant on every component.  
 The equivalent impedance for  $R$  and  $L$  combined is given by  $Z = R + jX_L$   
 Parallel circuit means that the voltage is the same on  $R$  and  $C$   $Z = \frac{R \cdot X_C}{R + jX_C}$   
 $|Z| = \sqrt{R^2 + X_L^2}$  since  $X_L$  and  $X_C$  are perpendicular  
 $|Z| = \sqrt{R^2 + (X_L - X_C)^2}$  (It has to, since  $R$  is perpendicular to  $X_L$  and  $X_C$  too)  
 Therefore, the resulting current of the parallel circuit is given as:  
 $I = \frac{U}{|Z|}$   
 $I = \frac{10 \text{ V}}{\sqrt{(1.00 \text{ k}\Omega)^2 + (2\pi \cdot 4 \text{ MHz} \cdot 4.7 \text{ }\mu\text{H} - \frac{1}{2\pi \cdot 4 \text{ MHz} \cdot 40 \text{ nF}})^2}}$   
 Back to the first formula:  $R \cdot I = X_C \cdot I$   
 $R \cdot I = X_C \cdot I \cdot \frac{R}{R + jX_C}$   
 $R \cdot I = X_C \cdot I \cdot \frac{R}{\sqrt{R^2 + X_C^2}}$

**Exercise E1 Resistance of a Wire by Resistivity**  
**(written test, approx. 6 % of a 60-minute written test, WS2022)**

2. Heating elements are used to heat the oven with a temperature of  $180 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . The electric power dissipation (= heat flow) of  $P = 40 \text{ W}$  is necessary.  
 Calculate the current  $I$  needed to operate the heating elements.  
 The Nichrome wire has a resistivity of  $\rho = 1.10 \cdot 10^{-6} \text{ }\Omega \cdot \text{m}$ .

The heating element is  $l = 3 \text{ m}$  long and has a diameter of  $d = 3.57 \text{ mm}$ .  
 Calculate the resistance  $R$  of the heating element.

Solution

$$P = U \cdot I = R \cdot I^2 \quad \rightarrow \quad I = \sqrt{\frac{P}{R}}$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{P}{R}} = \sqrt{\frac{40 \text{ W}}{0.33 \cdot \Omega}} \quad \text{align*}$$

$$\begin{aligned} R &= \rho \cdot l \cdot \frac{1}{A} \quad \& \quad | \quad \text{with } A = r^2 \cdot \pi = \\ &= \frac{1}{4} d^2 \cdot \pi \quad \& \quad R = \rho \cdot l \cdot \frac{4 \cdot l}{d^2 \cdot \pi} \quad \& \quad R = \\ &= 1.10 \cdot 10^{-6} \cdot \Omega \cdot \text{m} \cdot \frac{4 \cdot 3 \cdot \text{m}}{(3.57 \cdot 10^{-3} \cdot \text{m})^2 \cdot \pi} \quad \& \quad \end{aligned}$$

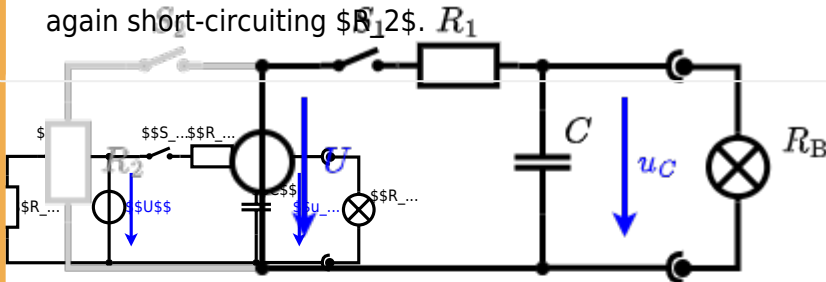
**Exercise E4 Charging Capacitors**  
**(written test, approx. 16 % of a 60-minute written test, WS2022)**

The circuit (with the light bulb) also consists of a DC voltage source  $U = 12 \text{ V}$ , a resistor  $R_1 = 20 \text{ }\Omega$ , a capacitor  $C = 100 \text{ }\mu\text{F}$ , and a light bulb  $R_B = 5 \text{ }\Omega$ . The switch  $S_1$  is closed, the voltage across the capacitor is again  $0 \text{ V}$  at the moment  $t_0 = 0 \text{ s}$  when the switch  $S_2$  is closed. Calculate the voltage  $u_c(t_2)$  across the capacitor at  $t_2 = 1 \text{ ms}$  after closing the switch.

**Solution:** To solve this, first create an equivalent linear voltage source from  $U$ ,  $R_1$ , and  $R_B$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta U &= \frac{R_1 \cdot U}{R_1 + R_B} = \frac{20 \text{ }\Omega \cdot 12 \text{ V}}{20 \text{ }\Omega + 5 \text{ }\Omega} = 10.4 \text{ V} \end{aligned}$$

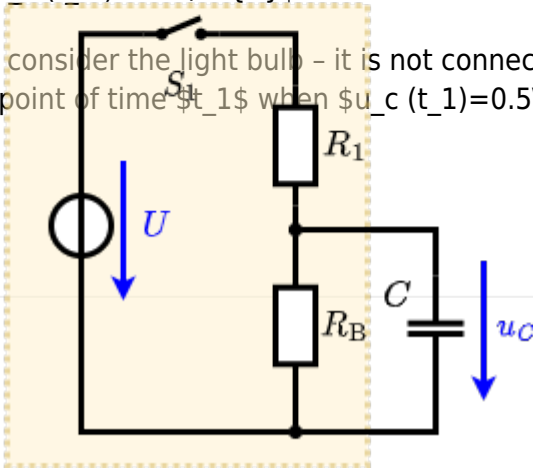
On an alternative view, one can try to create an equivalent linear voltage source again. Then, the internal resistance is given by substituting the ideal voltage source is again short-circuiting  $R_B$ .



The circuit contains a voltage source  $U = 12 \text{ V}$ , a switch  $S_1$ , a resistor of  $R_1 = 20 \text{ }\Omega$  and a capacitor of  $C = 100 \text{ }\mu\text{F}$ . The switch  $S_2$  to an additional consumer  $R_B$  will be considered to be open for the first tasks. At the moment  $t_0 = 0 \text{ s}$  the switch  $S_1$  is closed, the voltage across the capacitor is  $u_c(t_0) = 0 \text{ V}$ .

.. First do not consider the light bulb - it is not connected to the RC circuit. Calculate the point of time  $t_1$  when  $u_c(t_1) = 0.5 \cdot U$ .

**Solution**



An equivalent linear voltage source can be given with  $U_s$ ,  $R_1$ , and  $R_B$  as seen in yellow.

Therefore, the voltage of the equivalent linear voltage source is:  $U_s = U \cdot \frac{R_B}{R_1 + R_B} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot U$  The internal resistance is given by substituting the ideal voltage source with its resistance ( $R = 0 \Omega$ , short-circuit).

$$R_i = R_1 \parallel R_B = 10 \Omega$$

$$u_c(t) = U_s \cdot (1 - e^{-t/(R_i \cdot C)}) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot U \cdot (1 - e^{-t/(10 \Omega \cdot 100 \mu F)})$$

The following formula describes the time course of  $u_c(t)$  which has to be  $u_c(t_1) = 0.5 \cdot U$ :  

$$u_c(t) = U \cdot (1 - e^{-t/\tau}) = 0.5 \cdot U$$
 It has to be rearranged to  $(1 - e^{-t/\tau}) = 0.5 \implies e^{-t/\tau} = 0.5 \implies t/\tau = \ln(0.5) \implies t = \tau \cdot \ln(0.5) = R_1 \cdot C \cdot \ln(0.5)$



**Exercise E3 Pure Resistor Network Simplification (written test, approx. 13 % of a 60-minute written test, WS2022)**

The following shall be solved at 0 ohm,  $R_1 = R_2 = R_3 = 10 \Omega$  and the voltage  $U = 10V$  is given.  $R_B$ .

Solution

$$R_{\text{eq}} = 132.8 \Omega$$

Now a wye-delta transformation is necessary.



Since  $R_2=R_3$  and based on the equations for the transformation, the transformed  $R_Y$  is given as:

$$R_Y = \frac{R_2 \cdot R_2}{R_2 + R_2 + R_2} = \frac{(100 \Omega)^2}{3 \cdot 100 \Omega} = \frac{1}{3} \cdot 100 \Omega = 33.33 \Omega$$

The equivalent resistor is given by a parallel configuration of resistors in series:

$$R_{\text{eq}} = R_Y + (R_Y + R_1 + R_1) \parallel (R_Y + R_2) \parallel R_{\text{eq}} = 33.33 \Omega + (33.33 \Omega + 400 \Omega) \parallel (33.33 \Omega + 100 \Omega)$$

1. The switch shall now be open. Calculate the equivalent resistance  $R_{\text{eq}}$  between  $A$  and  $B$ .

Solution



The equivalent resistor is given by a parallel configuration of resistors in series:

$$R_{\text{eq}} = (R_2 + R_1 + R_{-1}) \parallel (R_2 + R_2) \parallel R_{\text{eq}} = (100 \Omega + 200 \Omega + 200 \Omega) \parallel (100 \Omega + 100 \Omega) \parallel R_{\text{eq}} = (500 \Omega) \parallel (200 \Omega) \parallel R_{\text{eq}} = \frac{500 \Omega \cdot 200 \Omega}{500 \Omega + 200 \Omega} \parallel R_{\text{eq}}$$

**Exercise E3 Equivalent linear Source  
(written test, approx. 14 % of a 60-minute written test, WS2022)**

The circuit in the following has to be simplified.  
Result

$$U_{\text{s}} = U_{\text{AB}} = 4.5 \text{ V} \quad R_{\text{i}} = R_{\text{AB}} = 6 \Omega$$



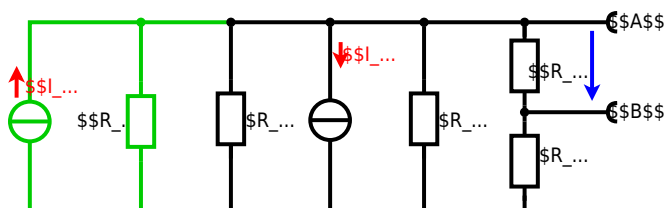
Calculate the internal resistance  $R_i$  and the source voltage  $U_s$  of an equivalent linear voltage source on the connectors  $A$  and  $B$ .  $R_1=5.0 \Omega$ ,  $U_2=6.0 \text{ V}$ ,  $R_3=10 \Omega$ ,  $I_4=4.2 \text{ A}$ ,  $R_5=10 \Omega$ ,  $R_6=7.5 \Omega$ ,  $R_7=15 \Omega$ . Use equivalent sources in order to simplify the circuit!

Solution

The best thing is to re-think the wiring like rubber bands and adjust them:



The linear voltage source of  $U_2$  and  $R_1$  can be transformed into a current source  $I_2 = \frac{U_2}{R_1}$  and  $R_1$ :



Now a lot of them can be combined. The resistors  $R_1$ ,  $R_3$ ,  $R_5$  are in parallel, like also  $I_2$  and  $I_4$ :

$$R_{135} = R_1 || R_3 || R_5$$

$$I_{24} = I_2 - I_4$$

The resulting circuit can again be transformed:



Here, the  $U_{24}$  is calculated by  $I_{24}$  as the following:

$$U_{24} = I_{24} \cdot R_{135} + I_1 \cdot R_1$$

$$U_{24} = U_{24} \cdot \left( \frac{R_7}{R_6 + R_7 + R_1 || R_3 || R_5} \right) - I_4 \cdot R_1 || R_3 || R_5$$

On the right side of the last circuit, there is a voltage divider given by  $R_{135}$ ,  $R_6$ , and  $R_7$ .

Therefore the voltage between  $A$  and  $B$  is given as:

$$U_{AB} = U_{24} \cdot \left( \frac{R_7}{R_6 + R_7 + R_1 || R_3 || R_5} \right) - I_4 \cdot R_1 || R_3 || R_5$$

For the internal resistance  $R_i$  the ideal voltage source is substituted by its resistance ( $=0 \Omega$ , so a short-circuit):

$$R_{AB} = R_7 || (R_6 + R_1 || R_3 || R_5)$$

with  $R_1 || R_3 || R_5 = 5 \Omega || 10 \Omega || 10 \Omega = 5 \Omega || 5 \Omega = 2.5 \Omega$ :

$$U_{AB} = \left( \frac{6.0 \text{ V}}{5.0 \Omega} \right) - 4.2 \Omega \cdot \left( \frac{15 \Omega \cdot 2.5 \Omega}{7.5 \Omega + 15 \Omega + 2.5 \Omega} \right)$$

$$R_{AB} = 15 \Omega || (7.5 \Omega + 2.5 \Omega)$$

**Exercise E2 Temperature-dependent Resistance (written test, approx. 6 % of a 60-minute written test, WS2022)**

2. The diagram explains the effect of resistance on the refrigeration system. The circuit has a resistance of  $10 \Omega$  at  $25^\circ\text{C}$  and  $25 \Omega$  at  $0^\circ\text{C}$ . Your answer.

Its temperature coefficients are:  $\alpha = 0.01 \text{ K}^{-1}$  and  $\beta = 71 \cdot 10^{-6} \text{ K}^{-2}$ .

**Result**  
The temperature inside the refrigeration system can reach down to  $-40^\circ\text{C}$ .

$$R_{25} = 10 \Omega$$

The power transfer is  $P = U \cdot I$  and  $I = \frac{U}{R}$ . Therefore, a solution is to heat up the refrigeration system.

Therefore, with constant  $U$  and increasing  $R$  the power decreases. Ten times more resistance decreases the heat flow to one-tenth.

$$R = R_0 \cdot (1 + \alpha \cdot \Delta T + \beta \cdot \Delta T^2)$$

$$\Delta T = T_{\text{end}} - T_{\text{start}}$$

$$R = 10 \Omega \cdot \left( 1 + 0.01 \text{ K}^{-1} \cdot (-40^\circ\text{C} - 25^\circ\text{C}) + 71 \cdot 10^{-6} \text{ K}^{-2} \cdot (-40^\circ\text{C} - 25^\circ\text{C})^2 \right)$$

**Exercise E5 Analyzing complex Impedances**  
 (written test, approx. 14 % of a 60-minute written test, WS2022)

2. Calculate the complex impedance  $Z$  of the circuit shown in the figure through the components.  $R$  and  $X_L$  shall be given.

After analysis, the full bridge network can be simplified and the voltage  $U$  in phase with the current  $I$  can be determined.

Solution  
 .. Calculate the physical values of the two components.  
 Solution  $R = 10 \Omega$  and  $X_L = 20 \Omega$

Solution  

$$\underline{I} = \frac{\underline{U}}{\underline{Z}} \quad \text{with } \underline{U} = 50 \text{ V}$$
 The voltage  $U$  is the voltage across the  $10 \Omega$  resistor and the  $20 \Omega$  inductor. The resulting impedance is  $Z = 10 + j20 \Omega$ .  
 Therefore, the current  $I$  is  $I = \frac{50}{10 + j20} = 1.92 - j0.96 \text{ A}$ .  
 The phase angle  $\varphi$  can be calculated as  $\varphi = \arctan\left(\frac{-0.96}{1.92}\right) = -26.6^\circ$ .  
 With the complex part  $\cos(\varphi) = 0.896$  and  $\sin(\varphi) = -0.48$ .  
 The phase  $\varphi$  can be calculated as  $\varphi = \arctan\left(\frac{-0.96}{1.92}\right) = -26.6^\circ$ .

**Exercise E7 Complex Impedance Circuit**  
 (written test, approx. 15 % of a 60-minute written test, WS2022)

2. Calculate the complex impedance  $Z$  of the circuit shown in the figure. The voltage source  $u(t) = 3.0 \sin(2\pi \cdot 15 \cdot t) \text{ V}$  is connected to a series combination of an inductor of  $330 \mu\text{H}$  and a capacitor of  $0.22 \mu\text{F}$ .

Solution  
 Result  $Z = 19.8 - j19.8 \Omega$

Draw the circuit diagram of the given network and all components, voltages, and currents.  

$$Z = \frac{U}{I} \quad \text{with } U = 3.0 \text{ V and } I = 0.15 \text{ A}$$

$$Z_C = \frac{1}{j\omega C} = \frac{1}{j \cdot 2\pi \cdot 15 \cdot 0.22 \cdot 10^{-6}} = -j19.8 \Omega$$

$$Z_L = j\omega L = j \cdot 2\pi \cdot 15 \cdot 330 \cdot 10^{-6} = j19.8 \Omega$$





**Exercise E6 Impedances at different Frequencies**  
**(written test, approx. 18 % of a 60-minute written test, WS2022)**

2. A series circuit consists of a resistor with a resistance of  $R_1 = 1.00 \text{ k}\Omega$ , a capacitor with a capacitance of  $C_1 = 40 \text{ nF}$ , and an AC voltage source with a voltage of  $U = 10 \text{ V}$  and a frequency of  $f = 4 \text{ MHz}$ . Calculate the absolute value of the impedance of the circuit.

Solution

$$R_1 = 1.00 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$R_2 = 10.0 \text{ k}\Omega$$

A series circuit means that the current is constant on every component.

The equivalent impedance for  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  combined is given by 
$$R_{\text{series}} = R_1 + R_2 = 1.00 \text{ k}\Omega + 10.0 \text{ k}\Omega = 11.0 \text{ k}\Omega$$

Parallel circuit means that the voltage is the same on  $R_3$  and  $C_3$  
$$\frac{1}{X_{\text{parallel}}} = \frac{1}{R_3} + \frac{1}{X_{C_3}}$$

Since  $X_{C_3}$  is perpendicular to  $R_3$ , this can be simplified to 
$$X_{\text{parallel}} = \frac{R_3 \cdot X_{C_3}}{\sqrt{R_3^2 + X_{C_3}^2}}$$

$R_3$  is perpendicular to  $X_{C_3}$  (It has to, since  $R_3$  is perpendicular to  $X_{L_2}$  and  $X_{C_3}$  is perpendicular to  $X_{L_2}$ ) 
$$X_{\text{parallel}}^2 = \frac{R_3^2 \cdot X_{C_3}^2}{R_3^2 + X_{C_3}^2}$$

Therefore, the resulting current of the parallel circuit is given as: 
$$I_{\text{parallel}} = I_{R_3} + I_{C_3}$$

This can be rearranged to 
$$I_{\text{parallel}} = \frac{U}{\sqrt{R_3^2 + X_{C_3}^2}}$$

$$I_{\text{parallel}} = \frac{10 \text{ V}}{\sqrt{(1.0 \text{ k}\Omega)^2 + (2 \pi \cdot 4 \text{ MHz} \cdot 40 \text{ nF})^2}}$$

Back to the first formula: 
$$R_3 \cdot I_{\text{parallel}} = X_{C_3} \cdot I_{\text{parallel}}$$

$$\frac{1}{2\pi \cdot f \cdot C_3} \cdot I_{\text{parallel}} = \frac{I_{\text{parallel}} \cdot \sqrt{R_3^2 + X_{C_3}^2}}{R_3}$$

**Exercise E1 Resistance of a Wire by Resistivity**  
**(written test, approx. 6 % of a 60-minute written test, WS2022)**

2. Heating elements are used to heat the oven at a temperature of  $180 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . The electric power dissipation (= heat flow) of  $P = 40 \text{ W}$  is necessary. Calculate the current  $I$  needed to operate the heating elements.

The Nichrome wire has a resistivity of  $1.10 \cdot 10^{-6} \text{ }\Omega \cdot \text{m}$ .

The heating element is  $3 \text{ m}$  long and has a diameter of  $3.57 \text{ mm}$ .

Solution

Calculate the resistance  $R$  of the heating element.

Solution

$$P = U \cdot I = R \cdot I^2 \quad \rightarrow \quad I = \sqrt{\frac{P}{R}}$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{P}{R}} = \sqrt{\frac{40 \text{ W}}{0.33 \cdot \Omega}} \quad \text{align*}$$

$$\begin{aligned} R &= \rho \cdot l \cdot \frac{1}{A} \quad \& \quad | \quad \text{with } A = r^2 \cdot \pi = \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \cdot d^2 \cdot \pi \quad \& \quad \rho = \frac{4 \cdot l}{d^2 \cdot \pi} \quad \& \quad R = \\ &= 1.10 \cdot 10^{-6} \cdot \Omega \cdot \text{m} \cdot \frac{4 \cdot 3 \cdot \text{m}}{(3.57 \cdot 10^{-3} \cdot \text{m})^2 \cdot \pi} \quad \& \quad \end{aligned}$$

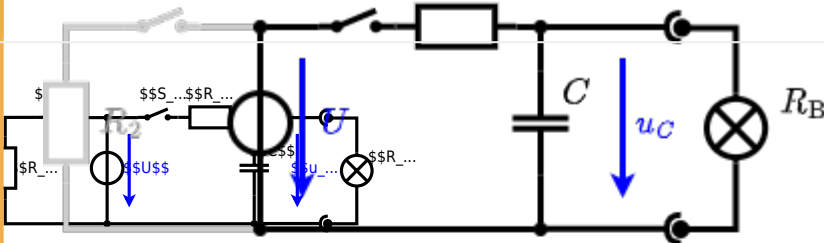
**Exercise E4 Charging Capacitors**  
 (written test, approx. 16 % of a 60-minute written test, WS2022)

The circuit (with the light bulb) also consists of a DC voltage source  $U = 12 \text{ V}$ , a resistor  $R_1 = 20 \text{ }\Omega$ , a capacitor  $C = 100 \text{ }\mu\text{F}$ , and a light bulb  $R_B = 5 \text{ }\Omega$ . The switch  $S_1$  is closed at  $t_0 = 0 \text{ s}$  and the voltage across the capacitor is again  $0 \text{ V}$  at the moment  $t_0 = 0 \text{ s}$  when the switch  $S_1$  is closed. Calculate the voltage  $u_c(t_2)$  across the capacitor at  $t_2 = 1 \text{ ms}$  after closing the switch.

**Solution:** To solve this, first create an equivalent linear voltage source from  $U$ ,  $R_1$ , and  $R_B$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Voltage source } U_{\text{eq}} &= U \cdot \frac{R_B}{R_1 + R_B} = 12 \text{ V} \cdot \frac{5 \text{ }\Omega}{20 \text{ }\Omega + 5 \text{ }\Omega} = 2 \text{ V} \\ \text{Internal resistance } R_{\text{eq}} &= R_1 \parallel R_B = \frac{20 \text{ }\Omega \cdot 5 \text{ }\Omega}{20 \text{ }\Omega + 5 \text{ }\Omega} = 4 \text{ }\Omega \end{aligned}$$

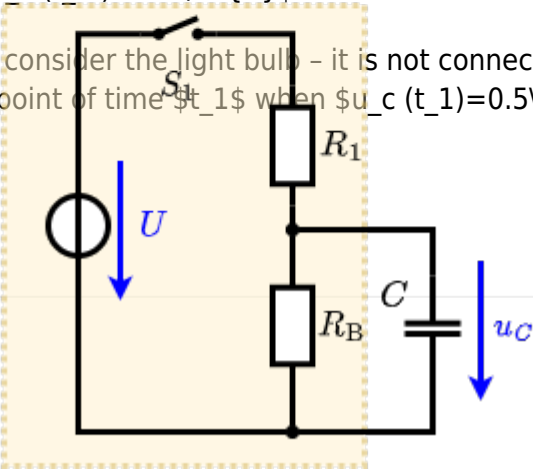
On an alternative view, one can try to create an equivalent linear voltage source again. Then, the internal resistance is given by substituting the ideal voltage source is again short-circuiting  $R_B$ .



The circuit contains a voltage source  $U = 12 \text{ V}$ , a switch  $S_1$ , a resistor of  $R_1 = 20 \text{ }\Omega$  and a capacitor of  $C = 100 \text{ }\mu\text{F}$ . The switch  $S_2$  to an additional consumer  $R_2$  will be considered to be open for the first tasks. At the moment  $t_0 = 0 \text{ s}$  the switch  $S_1$  is closed, the voltage across the capacitor is  $u_c(t_0) = 0 \text{ V}$ .

... First do not consider the light bulb - it is not connected to the RC circuit. Calculate the point of time  $t_1$  when  $u_c(t_1) = 0.5 \cdot U$ .

Solution



An equivalent linear voltage source can be given with  $U_s$ ,  $R_1$ , and  $R_B$  as seen in yellow.

Therefore, the voltage of the equivalent linear voltage source is:  $U_s = U \cdot \frac{R_B}{R_1 + R_B} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot U$  The internal resistance is given by substituting the ideal voltage source with its resistance ( $R = 0 \Omega$ , short-circuit).

$$R_i = R_1 \parallel R_B = 10 \Omega$$

$$u_c(t) = U_s \cdot (1 - e^{-t/(R_i \cdot C)}) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot U \cdot (1 - e^{-t/(10 \Omega \cdot 100 \mu F)})$$

The following formula describes the time course of  $u_c(t)$  which has to be  $u_c(t_1) = 0.5 \cdot U$ : 
$$u_c(t) = U \cdot (1 - e^{-t/\tau}) = 0.5 \cdot U$$
 It has to be rearranged to  $(1 - e^{-t/\tau}) = 0.5 \implies e^{-t/\tau} = 0.5 \implies t/\tau = \ln(0.5) \implies t = \tau \cdot \ln(0.5) = R_1 \cdot C \cdot \ln(0.5)$



**Exercise E1 Pure Resistor Network Simplification (written test, approx. 13 % of a 60-minute written test, WS2022)**

The following shall be solved at a rate of  $R_1 = R_2 = R_3 = 10 \Omega$  and the voltage  $U = 10V$  is given.  $R_B$ .

Solution

$$R_{\text{eq}} = 132.8 \Omega$$

Now a wye-delta transformation is necessary.



Since  $R_2=R_3$  and based on the equations for the transformation, the transformed  $R_Y$  is given as:

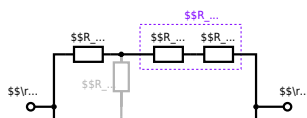
$$R_Y = \frac{R_2 \cdot R_2}{R_2 + R_2 + R_2} = \frac{(100 \, \Omega)^2}{3 \cdot 100 \, \Omega} = \frac{1}{3} \cdot 100 \, \Omega = 33.33 \, \Omega$$

The equivalent resistor is given by a parallel configuration of resistors in series:

$$R_{\text{eq}} = R_Y + (R_Y + R_1 + R_1) \parallel (R_Y + R_2) \parallel R_{\text{eq}} = 33.33 \, \Omega + (33.33 \, \Omega + 400 \, \Omega) \parallel (33.33 \, \Omega + 100 \, \Omega)$$

1. The switch shall now be open. Calculate the equivalent resistance  $R_{\text{eq}}$  between  $A$  and  $B$ .

Solution



The equivalent resistor is given by a parallel configuration of resistors in series:

$$R_{\text{eq}} = (R_2 + R_1 + R_1) \parallel (R_2 + R_2) \parallel R_{\text{eq}} = (100 \sim \Omega + 200 \sim \Omega + 200 \sim \Omega) \parallel (100 \sim \Omega + 100 \sim \Omega) \parallel R_{\text{eq}} = \{500 \sim \Omega \cdot 200 \sim \Omega\} \over {500 \sim \Omega + 200 \sim \Omega}$$

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