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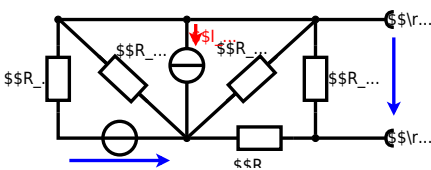
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**Exercise E1 Equivalent linear Source
(written test, approx. 14 % of a 60-minute written test, WS2022)**

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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_{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

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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 :

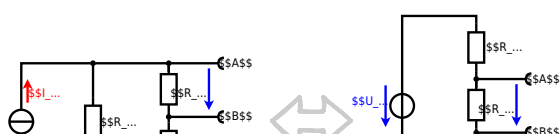


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$$R_{135} = R_1 || R_3 || R_5$$

$$I_{24} = I_2 - I_4 = \frac{U_2}{R_1} - I_4$$

The resulting circuit can again be transformed:



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

$$U_{24} = I_{24} \cdot R_{67}$$

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

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 circuit has a resistance of 10Ω at 25°C and 25Ω at 0°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°C .

Calculate the resistance of the thermistor at -40°C .

The power transfer 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
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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 10Ω resistor and the 20Ω inductor. The resulting impedance is $Z = 10 + j20 \Omega$.
 Therefore, the current I is $I = \frac{50}{10 + j20} = 2 - j4 \text{ A}$.
 With the complex part $\varphi = \arctan\left(\frac{-4}{2}\right) = -63.4^\circ$.
 The phase φ can be calculated as $\varphi = \arctan\left(\frac{-4.68}{0.24}\right) = -87.0^\circ$.

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

2. Calculate the current I in 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 $I = 19.73 \text{ mA}$

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

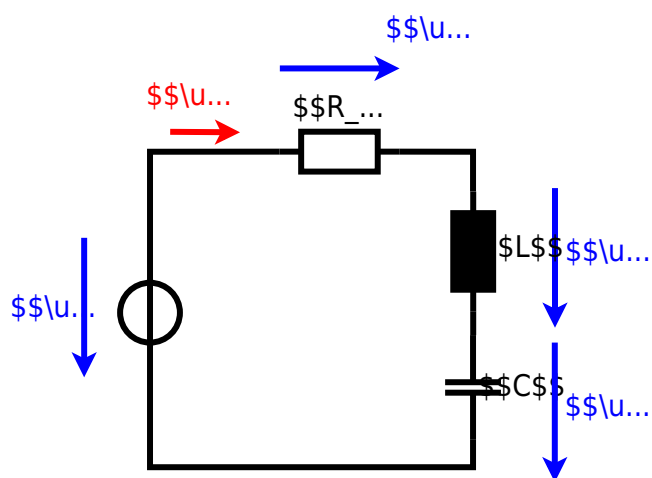
$$Z = \frac{U}{I} \quad \text{with } U = 3.0 \text{ V}$$

$$Z_C = \frac{1}{2\pi \cdot f \cdot C} = \frac{1}{2\pi \cdot 15 \cdot 0.22 \cdot 10^{-6}} = 392.7 \Omega$$

$$Z_L = 2\pi \cdot f \cdot L = 2\pi \cdot 15 \cdot 330 \cdot 10^{-6} = 3.14 \Omega$$

$$Z = \sqrt{Z_C^2 + Z_L^2} = 392.7 \Omega$$

$$I = \frac{U}{Z} = \frac{3.0}{392.7} = 7.64 \text{ mA}$$



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 Z of the circuit.

Solution

$$Z = \sqrt{R_1^2 + X_C^2}$$

$$Z = \sqrt{(1.00 \text{ k}\Omega)^2 + \left(\frac{10 \text{ V}}{2\pi \cdot 4 \text{ MHz} \cdot 40 \text{ nF}}\right)^2}$$

$$Z = \sqrt{(1.00 \text{ k}\Omega)^2 + (0.995 \text{ k}\Omega)^2}$$

$$Z = 1.41 \text{ k}\Omega$$

A series circuit means that the current is constant on every component. The equivalent impedance for R and X_C combined is given by $Z = \sqrt{R^2 + X_C^2}$. Parallel circuit means that the voltage is the same on R and X_C . $\frac{1}{Z} = \frac{1}{R} + \frac{1}{X_C}$. Since U is perpendicular to R , X_C can be simplified to $X_C = \frac{1}{\omega C}$. X_C is perpendicular to R . (It has to, since R is perpendicular to U , and U is perpendicular to X_C .) Therefore, the resulting current of the parallel circuit is given as: $I = \frac{U}{Z}$. This can be rearranged to $Z = \frac{U}{I} = \frac{10 \text{ V}}{7 \text{ mA}} = 1.43 \text{ k}\Omega$.

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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

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

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

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

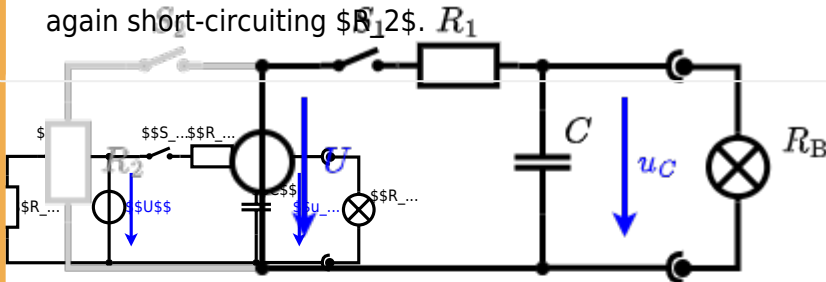
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Solution: To solve this, first create an equivalent linear voltage source from U , R_1 , and R_B .

The ideal voltage source $U_{\text{eq}} = U \cdot \frac{R_B}{R_1 + R_B} = 12 \text{ V} \cdot \frac{5 \text{ }\Omega}{20 \text{ }\Omega + 5 \text{ }\Omega} = 2 \text{ V}$ and the internal resistance $R_{\text{eq}} = R_1 \parallel R_B = 4 \text{ }\Omega$.

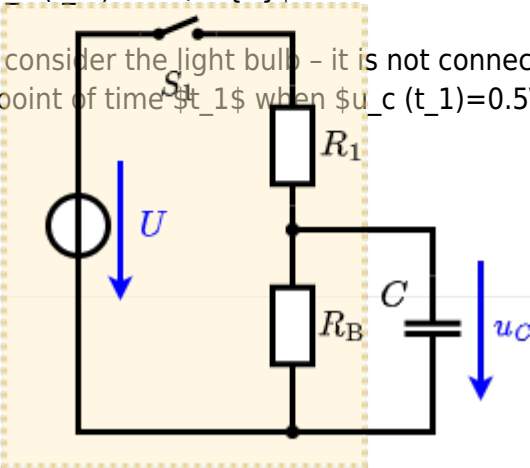
On an alternative view, one can try to create an equivalent linear voltage source again. Then, the internal resistance is given by substituting the ideal voltage source is again short-circuiting R_B .



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 simplified with $R_1 = 200 \Omega$, $R_2 = R_3 = 150 \Omega$, $R_4 = 100 \Omega$ and the voltage source $U = 10 \text{ V}$. Result: R_{eq} .

Solution

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

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:

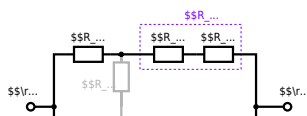
$$R_Y = \frac{R_2 \cdot R_2}{R_2 + R_2 + R_2} = \frac{(100 \Omega)^2}{3 \cdot 100 \Omega} = \frac{1}{3} \cdot 100 \Omega = 33.33 \Omega$$

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_{eq} between A and B .

Solution



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

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

**Exercise E3 Equivalent linear Source
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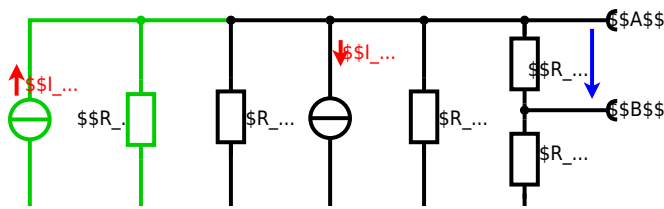
Calculate the internal resistance R_i and the source voltage U_s of an equivalent linear voltage source on the connectors A and B . $R_1=5.0 \Omega$, $U_2=6.0 \text{ V}$, $R_3=10 \Omega$, $I_4=4.2 \text{ A}$, $R_5=10 \Omega$, $R_6=7.5 \Omega$, $R_7=15 \Omega$. Use equivalent sources in order to simplify the circuit!

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



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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 :

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The resulting circuit can again be transformed:



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

$$U_{24} = I_{24} \cdot R_{56}$$

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

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Therefore the voltage between A and B is given as:

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

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$$R = 6.5 \text{ k}\Omega$$

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



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Solution

$$|Z| = \sqrt{R_1^2 + X_{C1}^2}$$

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

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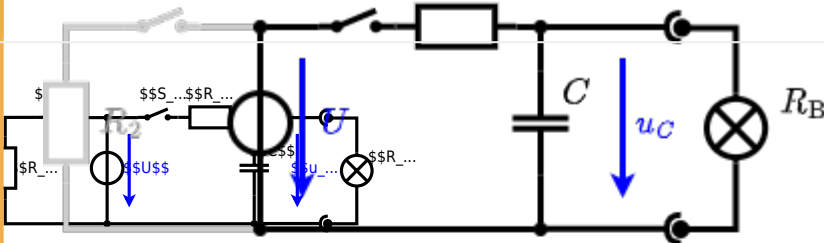
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Solution
 Hint: To solve this, first create an equivalent linear voltage source from U , R_1 , and R_B .

Solution
 The ideal voltage source U is in series with R_1 and R_B . The voltage u_c is independent of this series combination.

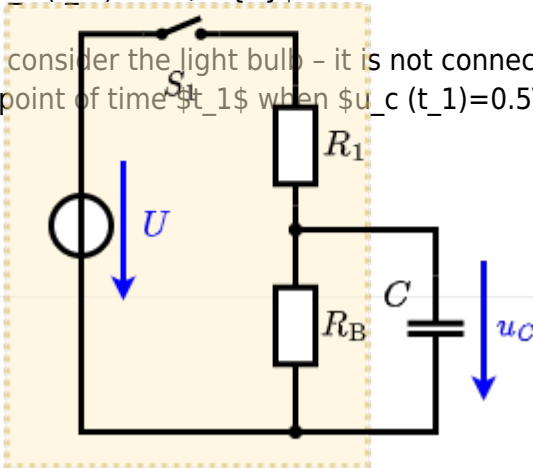
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$$R_i = R_1 \parallel R_B = 10 \Omega$$

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

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 0.10 A, $R_1 = R_2 = R_3 = 1.5 \Omega$ and the voltage $U = 10 \text{ V}$ 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:

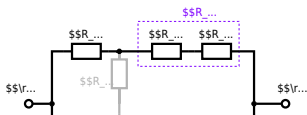
$$R_Y = \frac{R_2 \cdot R_2}{R_2 + R_2 + R_2} = \frac{(100 \Omega)^2}{3 \cdot 100 \Omega} = \frac{1}{3} \cdot 100 \Omega = 33.33 \Omega$$

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_{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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