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## CHAPTER 18

# **Two-Port Circuits Part 1**

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## CHAPTER OBJECTIVES

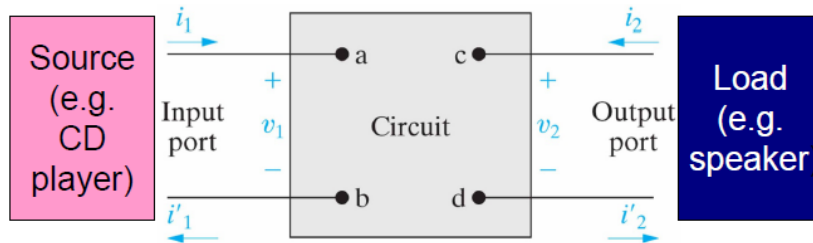
1. Be able to calculate any set of two-port parameters with any of the following methods:
  1. Circuit analysis;
  2. Measurements made on a circuit;
  3. Converting from another set of two-port parameters using Table 18.1.
2. Be able to analyze a terminated two-port circuit to find currents, voltages, impedances, and ratios of interest using Table 18.2.
3. Know how to analyze a cascade interconnection of two-port circuits.

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## Motivation

- Thévenin and Norton equivalent circuits are used in representing the contribution of a circuit to one specific pair of terminals.
- Usually, a signal is fed into one pair of terminals (input port), processed by the system, then extracted at a second pair of terminals (output port). It would be convenient to relate the  $v/i$  at one port to the  $v/i$  at the other port without knowing the element values and how they are connected inside the “**black box**”.

## How to model the “black box”?



- We will see that a two-port circuit can be modeled by a **2\*2 matrix** to relate the  $v/i$  variables, where the four matrix elements can be obtained by performing 2 experiments.

## Restrictions of the model

- No energy stored within the circuit.
- No independent source.
- Each port is not a current source or sink, i.e.  
 $i_1 = i'_1, i_2 = i'_2$ .
- No inter-port connection, i.e. between ac, ad, bc, bd.

## Key points

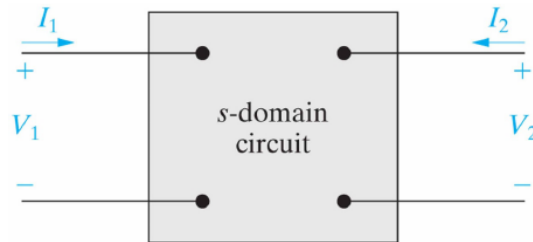
- How to calculate the **6** possible  $2 \times 2$  matrices of a two-port circuit?
- How to find the **4** simultaneous equations in solving a terminated two-port circuit?
- How to find the total  $2 \times 2$  matrix of a circuit consisting of **interconnected** two-port circuits?

# Section 18.1

## The Terminal Equations

## s-domain model

- The most general description of a two-port circuit is carried out in the s-domain.



- Any 2 out of the 4 variables  $\{V_1, I_1, V_2, I_2\}$  can be determined by the other 2 variables and 2 simultaneous equations.

## Six possible sets of terminal equations (1)

$$\begin{cases} \begin{bmatrix} V_1 \\ V_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} z_{11} & z_{12} \\ z_{21} & z_{22} \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} I_1 \\ I_2 \end{bmatrix}; \end{cases} [Z] \text{ is the impedance matrix;}$$

$$\begin{cases} \begin{bmatrix} I_1 \\ I_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} y_{11} & y_{12} \\ y_{21} & y_{22} \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} V_1 \\ V_2 \end{bmatrix}; \end{cases} [Y] = [Z]^{-1} \text{ is the admittance matrix;}$$

$$\begin{cases} \begin{bmatrix} V_1 \\ I_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & -a_{12} \\ a_{21} & -a_{22} \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} V_2 \\ I_2 \end{bmatrix}; \end{cases} [A] \text{ is a transmission matrix;}$$

$$\begin{cases} \begin{bmatrix} V_2 \\ I_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_{11} & -b_{12} \\ b_{21} & -b_{22} \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} V_1 \\ I_1 \end{bmatrix}; \end{cases} [B] = [A]^{-1} \text{ is a transmission matrix;}$$

Six possible sets of terminal equations (2)

$$\begin{cases} \begin{bmatrix} V_1 \\ I_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} h_{11} & h_{12} \\ h_{21} & h_{22} \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} I_1 \\ V_2 \end{bmatrix}; [H] \text{ is a hybrid matrix;} \\ \begin{bmatrix} I_1 \\ V_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} g_{11} & g_{12} \\ g_{21} & g_{22} \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} V_1 \\ I_2 \end{bmatrix}; [G] = [H]^{-1} \text{ is a hybrid matrix;} \end{cases}$$

- Which set is chosen depends on which variables are given. E.g. If the source voltage and current  $\{V_1, I_1\}$  are given, choosing transmission matrix  $[B]$  in the analysis.

## Section 18.2

# The Two-Port Parameters

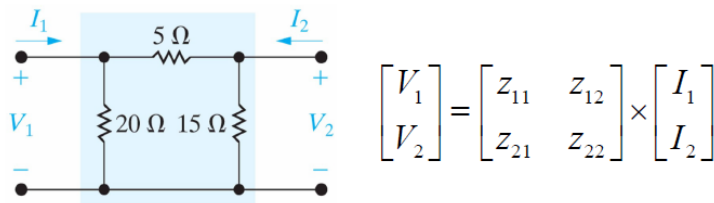
1. Calculation of matrix  $[Z]$
2. Relations among 6 matrixes

$$z_{11} = \left. \frac{V_1}{I_1} \right|_{I_2=0} \Omega, \quad z_{21} = \left. \frac{V_2}{I_1} \right|_{I_2=0} \Omega,$$

$$z_{12} = \left. \frac{V_1}{I_2} \right|_{I_1=0} \Omega, \quad z_{22} = \left. \frac{V_2}{I_2} \right|_{I_1=0} \Omega.$$

## Example 18.1: Finding [Z]

Find the impedance matrix [Z] (Z parameters) for a given resistive circuit (not a “black box”):



By definition,  $z_{11} = (V_1/I_1)$  when  $I_2 = 0$ , i.e. the **input impedance** when port 2 is open.  $\Rightarrow z_{11} = (20 \Omega) \parallel (20 \Omega) = 10 \Omega$ .

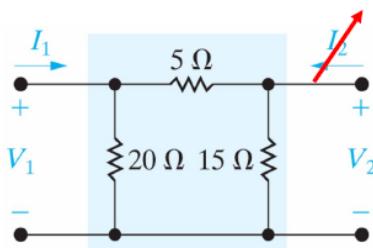


## Example 18.1: Finding $[Z]$

- By definition,  $z_{21} = (V_2/I_1)$  when  $I_2 = 0$ , i.e. the transfer impedance when port 2 is open.
- When port 2 is open:

$$\begin{cases} V_2 = \frac{15\Omega}{5\Omega + 15\Omega} V_1 = 0.75V_1, \\ \frac{V_1}{I_1} = z_{11} = 10\Omega, \Rightarrow I_1 = \frac{V_1}{10\Omega}, \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow z_{21} = \frac{V_2}{I_1} = \frac{0.75V_1}{V_1/(10\Omega)} = 7.5\Omega.$$

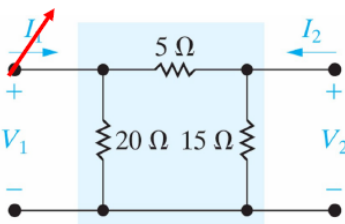


## Example 18.1: Finding $[Z]$

- By definition,  $z_{22} = (V_2/I_2)$  when  $I_1 = 0$ , i.e. the output impedance when port 1 is open.  $\Rightarrow z_{22} = (15\Omega)/(25\Omega) = 9.375\Omega$ .
- $z_{12} = (V_1/I_2)$  when  $I_1 = 0$ ,  $\Rightarrow$

$$\begin{cases} V_1 = \frac{20\Omega}{20\Omega + 5\Omega} V_2 = 0.8V_2, \\ \frac{V_2}{I_2} = z_{22} = 9.375\Omega, \Rightarrow I_2 = \frac{V_2}{9.375\Omega}, \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow z_{12} = \frac{V_1}{I_2} = \frac{0.8V_2}{V_2/(9.375\Omega)} = 7.5\Omega.$$



## Comments

- When the circuit is well known, calculation of  $[Z]$  by circuit analysis methods shows the physical meaning of each matrix element.
- When the circuit is a “black box”, we can perform 2 test experiments to get  $[Z]$ :

(1) Open port 2, apply a current  $I_1$  to port 1, measure the input voltage  $V_1$  and output voltage  $V_2$ .

(2) Open port 1, apply a current  $I_2$  to port 2, measure the terminal voltages  $V_1$  and  $V_2$ .

The admittance parameters

$$y_{11} = \frac{I_1}{V_1} \Big|_{V_2=0} \text{ S}, \quad y_{12} = \frac{I_1}{V_2} \Big|_{V_1=0} \text{ S},$$

$$y_{21} = \frac{I_2}{V_1} \Big|_{V_2=0} \text{ S}, \quad y_{22} = \frac{I_2}{V_2} \Big|_{V_1=0} \text{ S}.$$

transmission parameters

$$b_{11} = \frac{V_2}{V_1} \Big|_{I_1=0}, \quad b_{12} = -\frac{V_2}{I_1} \Big|_{V_1=0} \Omega,$$

$$b_{21} = \frac{I_2}{V_1} \Big|_{I_1=0} \text{ S}, \quad b_{22} = -\frac{I_2}{I_1} \Big|_{V_1=0}.$$

transmission parameters

$$a_{11} = \frac{V_1}{V_2} \Big|_{I_2=0}, \quad a_{12} = -\frac{V_1}{I_2} \Big|_{V_2=0} \Omega,$$

$$a_{21} = \frac{I_1}{V_2} \Big|_{I_2=0} \text{ S}, \quad a_{22} = -\frac{I_1}{I_2} \Big|_{V_2=0}.$$

hybrid parameters

$$h_{11} = \frac{V_1}{I_1} \Big|_{V_2=0} \Omega, \quad h_{12} = \frac{V_1}{V_2} \Big|_{I_1=0},$$

$$h_{21} = \frac{I_2}{I_1} \Big|_{V_2=0}, \quad h_{22} = \frac{I_2}{V_2} \Big|_{I_1=0} \text{ S}.$$

hybrid parameters

$$g_{11} = \left. \frac{I_1}{V_1} \right|_{I_2=0} \text{ S}, \quad g_{12} = \left. \frac{I_1}{I_2} \right|_{V_1=0},$$

$$g_{21} = \left. \frac{V_2}{V_1} \right|_{I_2=0}, \quad g_{22} = \left. \frac{V_2}{I_2} \right|_{V_1=0} \Omega.$$

### Example 18.2 Finding the $a$ Parameters from Measurements

The following measurements pertain to a two-port circuit operating in the sinusoidal steady state. With port 2 open, a voltage equal to  $150 \cos 4000t$  V is applied to port 1. The current into port 1 is  $25 \cos(4000t - 45^\circ)$  A, and the port 2 voltage is  $100 \cos(4000t + 15^\circ)$  V. With port 2 short-circuited, a voltage equal to  $30 \cos 4000t$  V is applied to port 1. The current into port 1 is  $1.5 \cos(4000t + 30^\circ)$  A, and the current into port 2 is  $0.25 \cos(4000t + 150^\circ)$  A. Find the  $a$  parameters that can describe the sinusoidal steady-state behavior of the circuit.

#### Solution

The first set of measurements gives

$$V_1 = 150 \angle 0^\circ \text{ V}, \quad I_1 = 25 \angle -45^\circ \text{ A},$$

$$V_2 = 100 \angle 15^\circ \text{ V}, \quad I_2 = 0 \text{ A}.$$

From Eqs. 18.12,

$$a_{11} = \left. \frac{V_1}{V_2} \right|_{I_2=0} = \frac{150 \angle 0^\circ}{100 \angle 15^\circ} = 1.5 \angle -15^\circ,$$

$$a_{21} = \left. \frac{I_1}{V_2} \right|_{I_2=0} = \frac{25 \angle -45^\circ}{100 \angle 15^\circ} = 0.25 \angle -60^\circ \text{ S}.$$

The second set of measurements gives

$$V_1 = 30 \angle 0^\circ \text{ V}, \quad I_1 = 1.5 \angle 30^\circ \text{ A},$$

$$V_2 = 0 \text{ V}, \quad I_2 = 0.25 \angle 150^\circ \text{ A}.$$

Therefore

$$a_{12} = \left. -\frac{V_1}{I_2} \right|_{V_2=0} = \frac{-30 \angle 0^\circ}{0.25 \angle 150^\circ} = 120 \angle 30^\circ \Omega,$$

$$a_{21} = \left. -\frac{I_1}{I_2} \right|_{V_2=0} = \frac{-1.5 \angle 30^\circ}{0.25 \angle 150^\circ} = 6 \angle 60^\circ.$$

## Relations among the 6 matrixes

- If we know one matrix, we can derive all the others analytically (Table 18.1).
- $[Y]=[Z]^{-1}$ ,  $[B]=[A]^{-1}$ ,  $[G]=[H]^{-1}$ , elements between mutually inverse matrixes can be easily related.
- E.g.

$$\begin{bmatrix} z_{11} & z_{12} \\ z_{21} & z_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} y_{11} & y_{12} \\ y_{21} & y_{22} \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \frac{1}{\Delta y} \begin{bmatrix} y_{22} & -y_{12} \\ -y_{21} & y_{11} \end{bmatrix},$$

where  $\Delta y \equiv \det[Y] = y_{11}y_{22} - y_{12}y_{21}$ .

## Represent $[Z]$ by elements of $[A]$ (1)

- $[Z]$  and  $[A]$  are not mutually inverse, relation between their elements are less explicit.
- By definitions of  $[Z]$  and  $[A]$ ,

$$\begin{bmatrix} V_1 \\ V_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} z_{11} & z_{12} \\ z_{21} & z_{22} \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} I_1 \\ I_2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \begin{bmatrix} V_1 \\ I_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & -a_{12} \\ a_{21} & -a_{22} \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} V_2 \\ I_2 \end{bmatrix},$$

the independent variables of  $[Z]$  and  $[A]$  are  $\{I_1, I_2\}$  and  $\{V_2, I_2\}$ , respectively.

- Key of matrix transformation: Representing the distinct independent variable  $V_2$  by  $\{I_1, I_2\}$ .

## Represent $[Z]$ by elements of $[A]$ (2)

- By definitions of  $[A]$  and  $[Z]$ ,

$$\begin{cases} V_1 = a_{11}V_2 - a_{12}I_2 \cdots (1) \\ I_1 = a_{21}V_2 - a_{22}I_2 \cdots (2) \end{cases}$$

$$(2) \Rightarrow V_2 = \frac{1}{a_{21}}I_1 + \frac{a_{22}}{a_{21}}I_2 = z_{21}I_1 + z_{22}I_2 \cdots (3),$$

$$(1), (3) \Rightarrow V_1 = a_{11} \left( \frac{1}{a_{21}}I_1 + \frac{a_{22}}{a_{21}}I_2 \right) - a_{12}I_2$$

$$= \frac{a_{11}}{a_{21}}I_1 + \left( \frac{a_{11}a_{22}}{a_{21}} - a_{12} \right) I_2 = z_{11}I_1 + z_{12}I_2 \cdots (4)$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} z_{11} & z_{12} \\ z_{21} & z_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{a_{21}} \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & \Delta a \\ 1 & a_{22} \end{bmatrix}, \text{ where } \Delta a \equiv \det[A].$$

### Example 18.3 Finding $h$ Parameters from Measurements and Table 18.1

Two sets of measurements are made on a two-port resistive circuit. The first set is made with port 2 open, and the second set is made with port 2 short-circuited. The results are as follows:

#### Port 2 Open

$$V_1 = 10 \text{ mV}$$

$$I_1 = 10 \mu\text{A}$$

$$V_2 = -40 \text{ V}$$

#### Port 2 Short-Circuited

$$V_1 = 24 \text{ mV}$$

$$I_1 = 20 \mu\text{A}$$

$$I_2 = 1 \text{ mA}$$

Find the  $h$  parameters of the circuit.

**Solution**

We can find  $h_{11}$  and  $h_{21}$  directly from the short-circuit test:

$$\begin{aligned} h_{11} &= \left. \frac{V_1}{I_1} \right|_{V_2=0} \\ &= \frac{24 \times 10^{-3}}{20 \times 10^{-6}} = 1.2 \text{ k}\Omega, \\ h_{21} &= \left. \frac{I_2}{I_1} \right|_{V_2=0} \\ &= \frac{10^{-3}}{20 \times 10^{-6}} = 50. \end{aligned}$$

The parameters  $h_{12}$  and  $h_{22}$  cannot be obtained directly from the open-circuit test. However, a check of Eqs. 18.7–18.15 indicates that the four  $a$  parameters can be derived from the test data. Therefore,  $h_{12}$  and  $h_{22}$  can be obtained through the conversion table. Specifically,

$$\begin{aligned} h_{12} &= \frac{\Delta a}{a_{22}} \\ h_{22} &= \frac{a_{21}}{a_{22}}. \end{aligned}$$

The  $a$  parameters are

$$\begin{aligned} a_{11} &= \left. \frac{V_1}{V_2} \right|_{I_2=0} = \frac{10 \times 10^{-3}}{-40} = -0.25 \times 10^{-3}, \\ a_{21} &= \left. \frac{I_1}{V_2} \right|_{I_2=0} = \frac{10 \times 10^{-6}}{-40} = -0.25 \times 10^{-6} \text{ S}, \\ a_{12} &= \left. -\frac{V_1}{I_2} \right|_{V_2=0} = -\frac{24 \times 10^{-3}}{10^{-3}} = -24 \Omega, \\ a_{22} &= \left. -\frac{I_1}{I_2} \right|_{V_2=0} = -\frac{20 \times 10^{-6}}{10^{-3}} = -20 \times 10^{-3}. \end{aligned}$$

The numerical value of  $\Delta a$  is

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta a &= a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12}a_{21} \\ &= 5 \times 10^{-6} - 6 \times 10^{-6} = -10^{-6}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} h_{12} &= \frac{\Delta a}{a_{22}} \\ &= \frac{-10^{-6}}{-20 \times 10^{-3}} = 5 \times 10^{-5}, \\ h_{22} &= \frac{a_{21}}{a_{22}} \\ &= \frac{-0.25 \times 10^{-6}}{-20 \times 10^{-3}} = 12.5 \mu\text{S}. \end{aligned}$$

## Reciprocal Two-Port Circuits

- If a two-port circuit is **reciprocal**, the following relationships exist among the port parameters:

$$z_{12} = z_{21}, \quad (18.28)$$

$$y_{12} = y_{21}, \quad (18.29)$$

$$a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12}a_{21} = \Delta a = 1, \quad (18.30)$$

$$b_{11}b_{22} - b_{12}b_{21} = \Delta b = 1, \quad (18.31)$$

$$h_{12} = -h_{21}, \quad (18.32)$$

$$g_{12} = -g_{21}. \quad (18.33)$$

## Reciprocal Two-Port Circuits

- A two-port circuit is reciprocal if the interchange of an ideal voltage source at one port with an ideal ammeter at the other port produces the same ammeter reading.

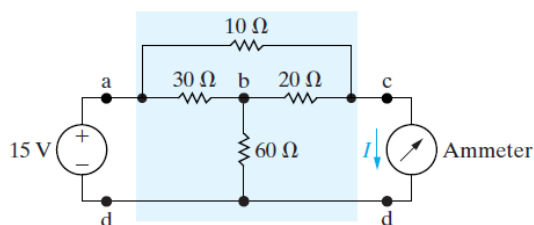


Figure 18.4 ▲ A reciprocal two-port circuit.

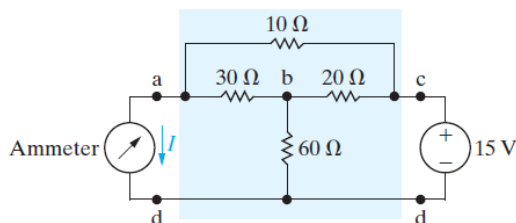


Figure 18.5 ▲ The circuit shown in Fig. 18.4, with the voltage source and ammeter interchanged.

## Reciprocal Two-Port Circuits

- Consider, for example, the resistive circuit shown in Fig. 18.4. When a voltage source of 15 V is applied to port ad, it produces a current of 1.75 A in the ammeter at port cd. The ammeter current is easily determined once we know the voltage  $V_{bd}$ . Thus:

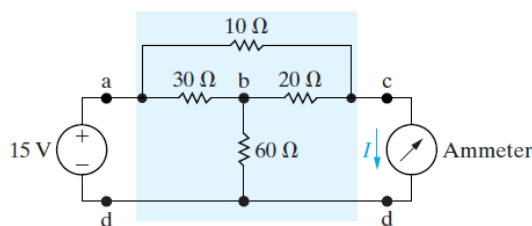


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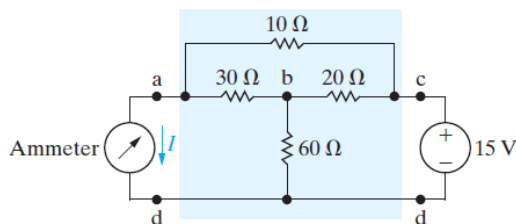


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## Reciprocal Two-Port Circuits

$$\frac{V_{bd}}{60} + \frac{V_{bd} - 15}{30} + \frac{V_{bd}}{20} = 0, \quad (18.34)$$

and  $V_{bd} = 5$  V. Therefore

$$I = \frac{5}{20} + \frac{15}{10} = 1.75 \text{ A}. \quad (18.35)$$

If the voltage source and ammeter are interchanged, the ammeter will still read 1.75 A. We verify this by solving the circuit shown in Fig. 18.5:

$$\frac{V_{bd}}{60} + \frac{V_{bd}}{30} + \frac{V_{bd} - 15}{20} = 0. \quad (18.36)$$

From Eq. 18.36,  $V_{bd} = 7.5$  V. The current  $I_{ad}$  equals

$$I_{ad} = \frac{7.5}{30} + \frac{15}{10} = 1.75 \text{ A}. \quad (18.37)$$

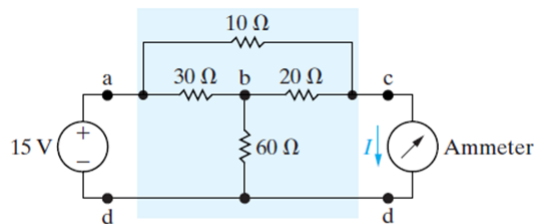


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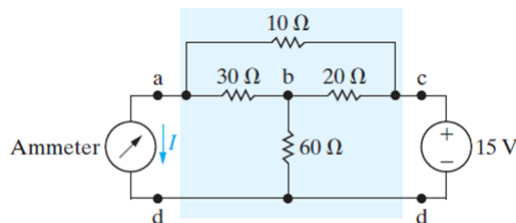


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## Reciprocal Two-Port Circuits

- A two-port circuit is also reciprocal if the interchange of an ideal current source at one port with an ideal voltmeter at the other port produces the same voltmeter reading. For a reciprocal two-port circuit, only three calculations or measurements are needed to determine a set of parameters.
- A reciprocal two-port circuit is **symmetric** if its ports can be interchanged without disturbing the values of the terminal currents and voltages.

## Reciprocal Two-Port Circuits

- Figure 18.6 shows four examples of symmetric two-port circuits.
- In such circuits, the following additional relationships exist among the port parameters:

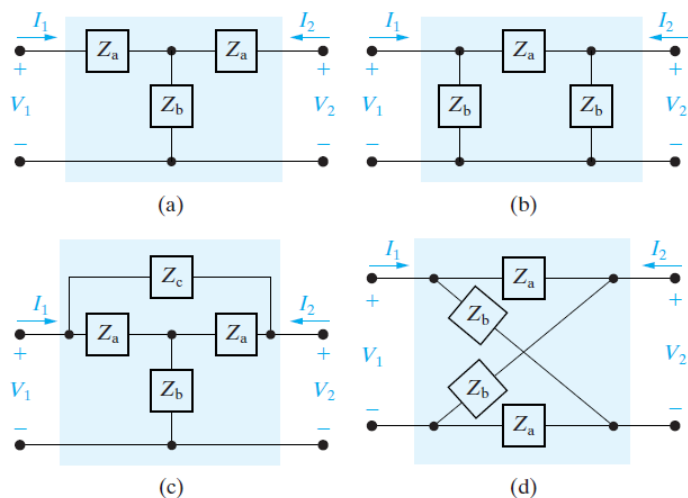


Figure 18.6 ▲ Four examples of symmetric two-port circuits. (a) A symmetric tee. (b) A symmetric pi. (c) A symmetric bridged tee. (d) A symmetric lattice.

## Reciprocal Two-Port Circuits

$$z_{11} = z_{22}, \quad (18.38)$$

$$y_{11} = y_{22}, \quad (18.39)$$

$$a_{11} = a_{22}, \quad (18.40)$$

$$b_{11} = b_{22}, \quad (18.41)$$

$$h_{11}h_{22} - h_{12}h_{21} = \Delta h = 1, \quad (18.42)$$

$$g_{11}g_{22} - g_{12}g_{21} = \Delta g = 1. \quad (18.43)$$

For a symmetric reciprocal network, only two calculations or measurements are necessary to determine all the two-port parameters.

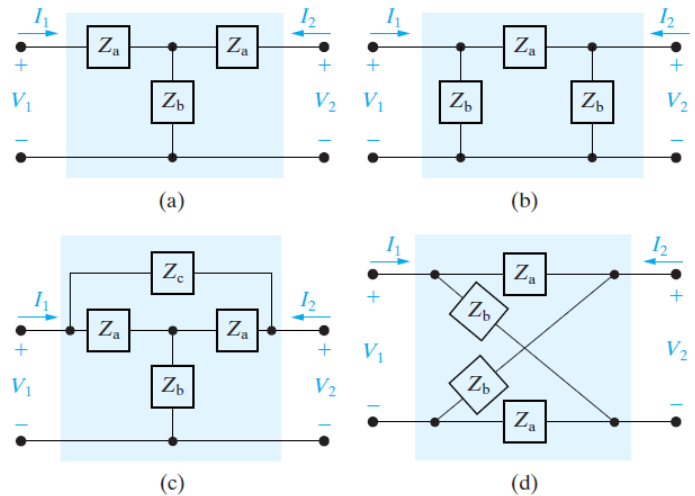


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