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# **SEEE 2742** ELECTROTECHNICS LABORATORY

## **EXPERIMENT 1**

## SUPERPOSITION, THEVENIN AND NORTON THEOREMS

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#### I. PRELIMINARY EXERCISE (10 marks)

Important Note: Students are required to do this exercise BEFORE the laboratory session.

- i. Briefly describe Superposition, Thevenin and Norton theorems by using an example from your own circuit.
- ii. For the circuit in **Figure 1**, by using Superposition theorem, calculate current (IL), voltage (VL) and active power (PL) at variable resistances (RL) =  $20 \Omega$ ,  $50 \Omega$  and  $100 \Omega$ .
- iii. Repeat step (ii) by using Thevenin and Norton theorems.
- iv. Perform the circuit analysis using any simulation tools (LTSPICE, PSPICE, MATLAB, Multisim, etc.) to validate your results.
- v. Briefly discuss the importance of Superposition, Thevenin and Norton theorems in circuit analysis.

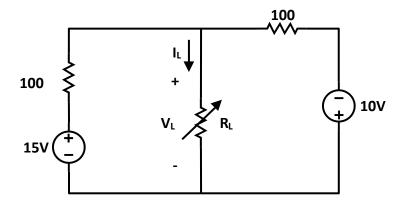


Figure 1

<u>Important Note:</u> Students are required to bring their laptops to VERIFY all simulations results.

#### Recommended Reference

Alexander & Sadiku, 'Fundamental of Electric Circuit 6th edition', McGraw Hill.

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#### II. EXPERIMENT

## 'Superposition, Thevenin and Norton Theorems'

IMPORTANT: Students need to complete the PRELIMINARY EXERCISE before the laboratory session.

#### 1. Aims:

To solve circuit analysis problems by using Superposition, Thevenin and Norton theorems.

#### 2. Equipment provided:

DC power supply, ammeter, multimeter, variable resistor/rheostat

#### 3. Instructions:

#### **Precautions:**

- Set the supply voltage and variable resistance to the correct experimental values before connecting it to the circuit.
- Make sure the multimeter or ammeter are connected at the correct terminal.
- Do not switch on the supply until all connections have been verified by the instructor.

#### Hints:

- To obtain the desired voltage, both the voltage knob and the current knob need to be adjusted until the GREEN LED (c.v.) illuminates to indicate the voltage supply.
- To obtain the desired current, both the voltage knob and the current knob need to be adjusted until the RED LED (c.c.) illuminates to indicate the current supply.
- i. Based on the circuit in Figure 1, setup an experiment to measure the current (IL), and voltage (VL) of the load for RL =  $20 \Omega$ ,  $50 \Omega$ , and  $100 \Omega$ ;
  - a. based on the original circuit.
  - b. by using Superposition theorem.
  - c. by using Thevenin theorem.
  - d. by using Norton theorem.
- ii. Calculate the power absorbed by R<sub>L</sub> from the measurement in step 3(i).

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- iii. Compare and comment on results of the three theorems against the original circuit in terms of voltage, current and power.
- iv. Compare the experimental results with the results from the preliminary exercises.
- v. Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of each theorem based on the experimental findings.