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Homework #1 Solutions

**Exercise 1.1:**

**Answer:** A complex number of the form  $a + bj$  can be rewritten as  $\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}e^{j \tan^{-1} \frac{b}{a}}$ . Using this fact, we can rewrite  $x(t)$  as

$$\frac{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}e^{j \tan^{-1} \frac{b}{a}}}{\sqrt{c^2 + d^2}e^{j \tan^{-1} \frac{d}{c}}}e^{j\omega t}$$

Combining the exponentials together gives

$$\frac{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}{\sqrt{c^2 + d^2}}e^{j(\omega t + \tan^{-1} \frac{b}{a} - \tan^{-1} \frac{d}{c})}$$

Using Euler's formula we can write out the real part of the above expression such that

$$\Re\{x(t)\} = M \cos(\omega t + \phi)$$

where

$$M = \frac{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}{\sqrt{c^2 + d^2}} \quad \text{and} \quad \phi = \tan^{-1} \frac{b}{a} - \tan^{-1} \frac{d}{c}$$

**Exercise 1.2:**

**Answer:** The solution to a first-order linear differential equation is the sum of a particular solution, and a homogeneous solution of the form  $Ae^{st}$ . The forcing term  $b$  is a constant, so the particular solution that solves this differential equation is a constant,  $M$ . Substituting this into the differential equation yields

$$0 + aM = b$$

so  $M = \frac{b}{a}$ .

The exponent-part of the homogeneous solution is determined by the differential equation. Substituting our general solution into the equations gives

$$Ase^{st} + aAe^{st} = 0$$

Canceling the  $Ae^{st}$  terms gives  $s = -a$ . The scalar  $A$  is determined by the initial conditions. Setting our solution  $\frac{b}{a} + Ae^{-at}\Big|_{t=0} = c$  and solving for  $A$  gives the final solution

$$x(t) = \frac{b}{a} + \left(c - \frac{b}{a}\right)e^{-at}$$

**Problem 1.1:****Answer:**

- (A) There are three nodes in this circuit, which means we will have two independent KCL equations. The three dependent equations are are:

$$\begin{aligned}i_1 - i_2 - i_3 &= 0 \\i_3 - i_1 - i_4 &= 0 \\i_2 + i_4 &= 0\end{aligned}$$

- (B) There are three loops in the circuit, which means we will have two independent KVL equations. The three dependent equations are are:

$$\begin{aligned}v_1 + v_3 &= 0 \\v_4 - v_2 - v_1 &= 0 \\v_3 + v_4 - v_2 &= 0\end{aligned}$$

- (C) The  $v - i$  constraints for each element are as follows

$$\begin{aligned}i_3 &= I_S \\v_4 &= V_S \\v_1 &= R_1 i_1 \\v_2 &= R_2 i_2\end{aligned}$$

- (D) Solving the system of linear equations yields:

$$\begin{aligned}v_1 &= 5 \text{ V} & i_1 &= 2.5 \text{ A} & v_1 i_1 &= 12.5 \text{ W} \\v_2 &= -2 \text{ V} & i_2 &= -.5 \text{ A} & v_2 i_2 &= 1 \text{ W} \\v_3 &= -5 \text{ V} & i_3 &= 3 \text{ A} & v_3 i_3 &= -15 \text{ W} \\v_4 &= 3 \text{ V} & i_4 &= .5 \text{ A} & v_4 i_4 &= 1.5 \text{ W}\end{aligned}$$

- (E) The sum is zero.  $I_S$  supplies power, while  $V_S$  is absorbing power.

**Problem 1.2:****Answer:**

- (A) Again, we have three nodes, and two independent equations.

$$\begin{aligned}i_1 - i_2 - i_3 &= 0 \\i_3 - i_1 - i_4 &= 0 \\i_2 + i_4 &= 0\end{aligned}$$

- (B) Again, we have three loops, and two independent equations.

$$\begin{aligned}v_1 + v_3 &= 0 \\v_4 - v_2 - v_1 &= 0 \\v_3 + v_4 - v_2 &= 0\end{aligned}$$

(C) The  $v - i$  constraints are

$$\begin{aligned}v_1 &= R_1 i_1 \\v_2 &= V_S \\v_3 &= R_3 i_3 \\v_4 &= R_4 i_4\end{aligned}$$

(D) Solving the system of equations yields

$$\begin{aligned}v_1 &= -1 \text{ V} & i_1 &= -1 \text{ A} & v_1 i_1 &= 1 \text{ W} \\v_2 &= 3 \text{ V} & i_2 &= -2 \text{ A} & v_2 i_2 &= -6 \text{ W} \\v_3 &= 1 \text{ V} & i_3 &= 1 \text{ A} & v_3 i_3 &= 1 \text{ W} \\v_4 &= 2 \text{ V} & i_4 &= 2 \text{ A} & v_4 i_4 &= 4 \text{ W}\end{aligned}$$

(E) Again, the individual powers sum to zero, and we find that  $V_S$  supplies power.

**Problem 1.3:**

**Answer:** Here's the table:

Voltage from Problem 1.1	Current from Problem 1.2	Resulting $v - i$ products
$v_1 = 5 \text{ V}$	$i_1 = -1 \text{ A}$	$v_1 i_1 = -5 \text{ W}$
$v_2 = -2 \text{ V}$	$i_2 = -2 \text{ A}$	$v_2 i_2 = 4 \text{ W}$
$v_3 = -5 \text{ V}$	$i_3 = 1 \text{ A}$	$v_3 i_3 = -5 \text{ W}$
$v_4 = 3 \text{ V}$	$i_4 = 2 \text{ A}$	$v_4 i_4 = 6 \text{ W}$

The resulting sum of the  $v - i$  products is 0 W.