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BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONICS ENGINEERING

EEE 203: CIRCUIT THEORY I

DATE:

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INSTRUCTIONS

1. This paper contains 5 questions.
2. Attempt **Question One** and **Any Other Two** questions
3. Show calculations where applicable.

QUESTION ONE [30 MARKS]

- a) Define the following terms as used in circuit analysis:
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| (i) Loop | [1 mark] |
| (ii) Branch | [1 mark] |
| (iii) Phase | [1 mark] |
| (iv) Electrical engineering | [1 mark] |
- b) State the two the Kirchhoff's laws [2 marks]
- c) For the circuit shown in Fig. Q1 c), use Kirchhoff's laws to find
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| i. The currents I_1 , I_2 and I_3 | [6 marks] |
| ii. Voltage across the $12.5\ \Omega$ resistor | [1 mark] |
| iii. Power dissipated in the $2.5\ \Omega$ resistor | [1 mark] |

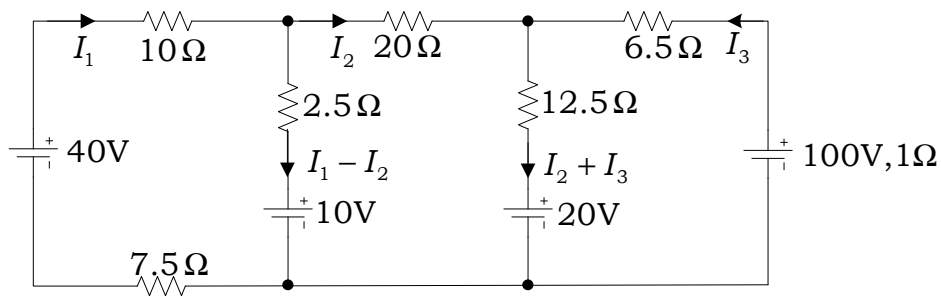


Fig. Q1 c)

- d) A resistance of $100\ \Omega$ and a capacitance of $100\ \mu\text{F}$ are connected in series across a $400\ \text{V}, 50\ \text{Hz}$ supply. Find
- (i) Circuit impedance [1½ marks]
 - (ii) Circuit Current [1 mark]
 - (iii) power factor [½ mark]
 - (iv) apparent power [1 mark]
 - (v) active power [1 mark]
 - (vi) reactive power [1 mark]
 - (vii) voltage across resistance and [1 mark]
 - (viii) voltage across capacitance [1 mark]
- e) For the circuit shown in Fig. Q1 e), find
- (i) the total circuit resistance [2 marks]
 - (ii) the supply current, I [1 mark]
 - (iii) the currents I_1, I_2, I_3 and I_4 [4 marks]
 - (iv) the voltage, V_2 [1 mark]

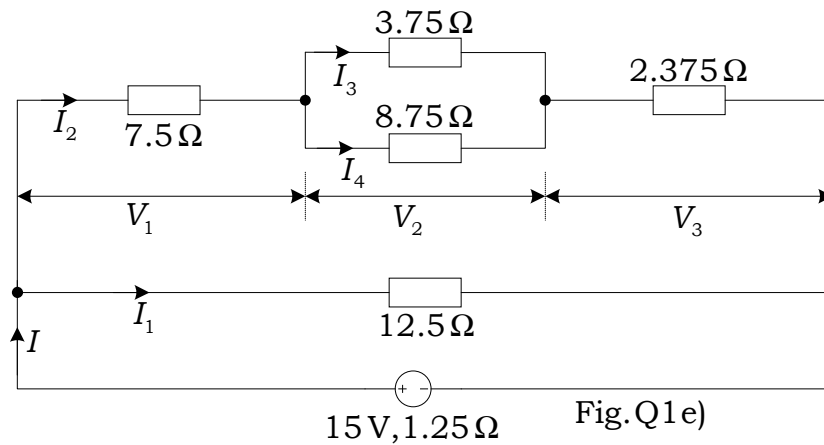
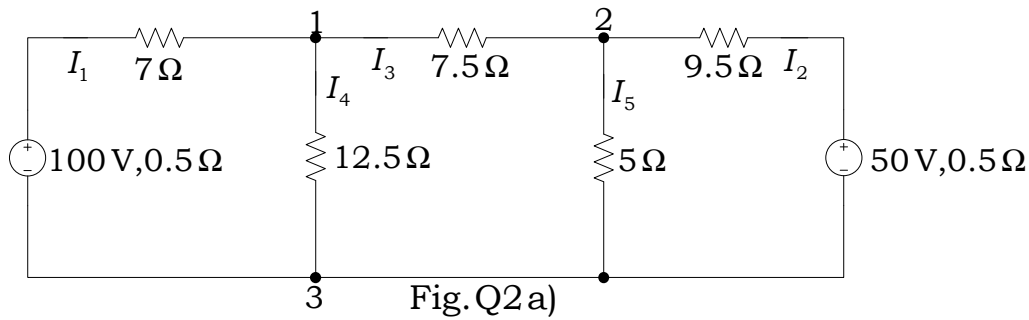


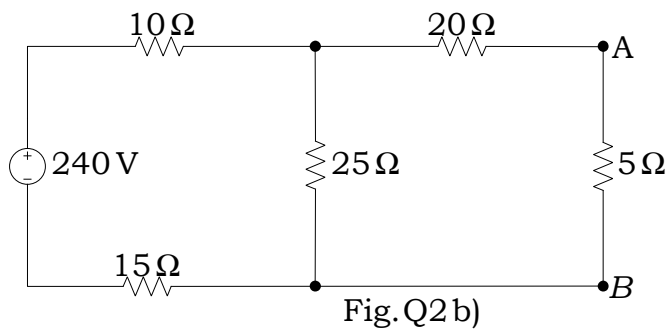
Fig. Q1 e)

QUESTION TWO [20 MARKS]

- a) For the circuit shown in Fig. Q2 a), take node 3 as the reference node and use nodal analysis method to find
- (i) Currents I_1 , I_2 , I_3 , I_4 and I_5 [11 marks]
 - (ii) the voltage across the $12.5\ \Omega$ resistor [1 mark]
 - (iii) the power consumed by the $7.5\ \Omega$ resistor. [1 mark]



- b) For the circuit of Fig. Q2 b), determine
- (i) Thevenin's equivalent circuit at terminal A-B and
 - (ii) Current through the $5\ \Omega$ resistance. [7 marks]



QUESTION THREE [20 MARKS]

- a) For the circuit shown in Fig. Q3 a), find
- (i) Mesh currents I_1 , I_2 and I_3 [7½ marks]
 - (ii) The voltage across the $10.5\ \Omega$ resistor [1 mark]
 - (iii) Power dissipated in the $20\ \Omega$ resistor [1 mark]

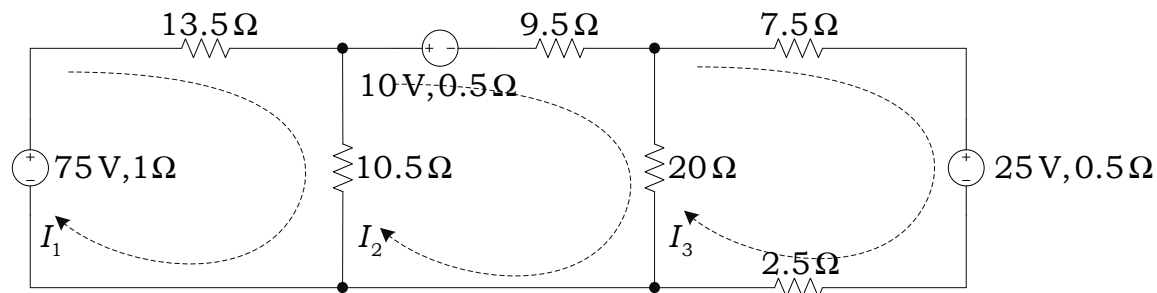


Fig. Q3 a)

b) When a voltage $v = 100 \sin(1000t + 60^\circ)$ V is applied to a series ac circuit, the current is

$$i = 25 \sin(1000t + 15^\circ) \text{ A. Find}$$

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| (i) | power factor | [1 mark] |
| (ii) | apparent power | [1 mark] |
| (iii) | active power | [1 mark] |
| (iv) | circuit parameters | [3½ marks] |

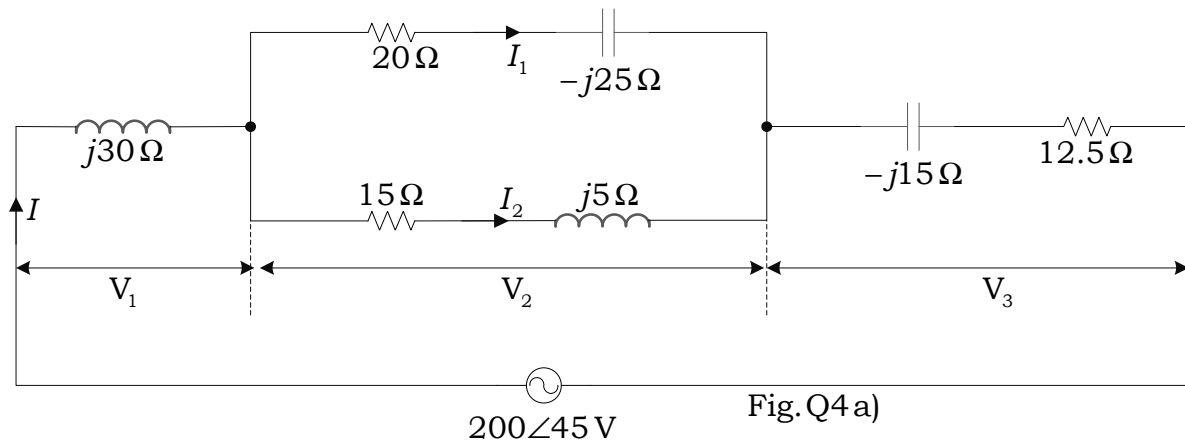
c) Determine the resistance, tolerance, and range for the following colour code: Orange-Orange-Black-Brown-Violet. [2 marks]

d) Use four band colour code system, write down the colour code for the following resistor: $2.7 \text{ k}\Omega \pm 10\%$ [2 marks]

QUESTION FOUR [20 MARKS]

a) For the circuit shown in Fig. Q4 a), find

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| (i) | Total circuit impedance | [3 marks] |
| (ii) | Current drawn from supply | [1 mark] |
| (iii) | Voltage across the parallel branches, V_2 | [1 mark] |
| (iv) | Currents in I_1 and I_2 | [2 marks] |
| (v) | Power factor | [1 mark] |
| (vi) | Apparent power | [1 mark] |
| (vii) | Active power | [1 mark] |
| (viii) | Draw the phasor diagram showing V, I, I_1 and I_2 . | [2 marks] |

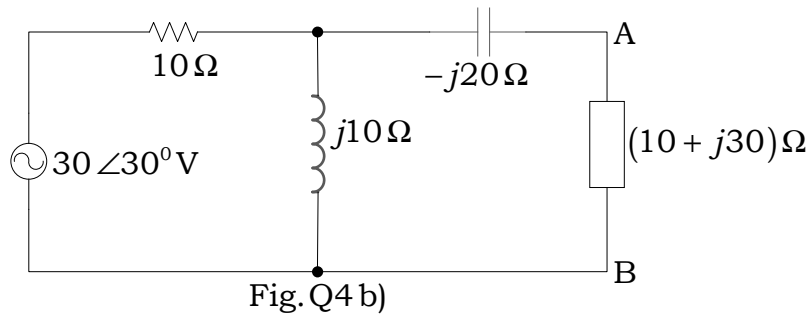


c) For the circuit of Fig. Q4 b), determine

- (i) Norton's equivalent circuit at terminal A-B and
- (ii) Voltage across the $(10 + j30) \Omega$ impedance.

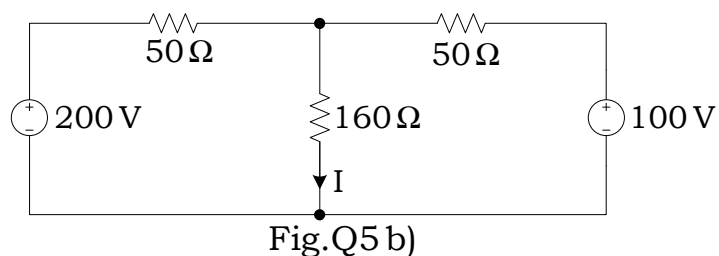
[6 marks]

[2 marks]



QUESTION FIVE [20 MARKS]

- a) Two resistors are connected in series across a 25 V supply and a current of 5 A flows in the circuit. If one of the resistors has a resistance of 4Ω , determine
 - (i) the value of the other resistor, and
 - (ii) the p.d. across the 2Ω resistor.
 - (iii) how much energy is used if the circuit is connected for 50 hours. [5 marks]
- b) Using superposition theorem, calculate the current I in the circuit shown in Fig. Q 5 b). [11 marks]



- c) Three voltages represented by $v_1 = 25 \sin(\omega t + 15^\circ)$; $v_2 = 15 \sin(\omega t + 60^\circ)$ and $v_3 = 20 \sin(\omega t + 45^\circ)$ act together in a circuit. Find an expression for the resultant voltage graphically. **[4 marks]**