EELE 250: Circuits, Devices, and Motors

Lecture 7

Assignment Reminder

- Read 3.1 3.3
- Practice problems:
 - T2.2, T2.4, T2.5
 - P3.6, P3.9, P3.24
- D2L Quiz #3 by 11AM on Monday 16 Sept.
- Exam #1 in class on Wednesday 18 Sept.
 Closed book. One 8.5"x11" sheet of handwritten notes. Pencil. Calculator.
- Special review/problem session: Thursday, Sept. 12, 4:00PM, Cobleigh 608

Impedance Matching

 Write expressions for the electrical power delivered by the voltage source and consumed by the resistors:



Impedance Matching (cont.)

 What value of R₂ results in the maximum amount of power delivered to R₂?

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$$P_{R2} = \left(\frac{V_S}{R_1 + R_2}\right)^2 \cdot R_2$$

- $\frac{dP}{dR_2}$ =
- Set equal to zero and solve for R₂



Impedance Matching (cont.)

- Maximum power transfer is obtained when load resistance is equal to the Thévenin resistance of the circuit
- In some situations we need maximum voltage transfer or maximum current transfer instead of maximum power transfer. This typically requires the use of active amplifier circuits.

Linearity and Superposition

- Circuits with linear elements (like resistors and fixed voltage and current sources) result in linear equations to solve
- Linear equations obey the *scaling* principle and the *superposition* principle
- We can use superposition to simplify the solution of circuits with more than one independent voltage or current source

Summary and Review

- Source transformation by equivalent Thévenin and Norton circuits
- Maximum power transfer occurs with a matched impedance (R_L = R_t)
- Superposition can be used to simplify solution of multi-source circuits by treating the sources one at a time and then adding up the result