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<b>Title of Innovative method/activity</b>	:	<b>Google it–Report writing</b>
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<b>Course Name</b>	:	Network Analysis

### Objective of the Method:

Students are expected to Google the content of the topic available in open source. He/ She is also expected to go through, understand & explore beyond class room. Student will be reporting the concept understood in writing.

### Aim of the method:

1. To maximize the learning experience.
2. To identify and prioritize content
3. To identify gaps in understanding

### Implementation/Portrayal of method:

1. Use this opportunity to clear up any misconceptions
2. Student will be in a position to present the report prepared.
3. The report can be used for further reference.

### Topic Covered through activity: Norton's Theorem

**Description of the Method:** students were asked to google about Norton theorem statement & procedure to apply the theorem for a given circuit. They were further asked to prepare a report accordingly.

**Benefits of the method:** students understood how to apply Norton's theorem for a given circuit. This activity enhances communication and writing skills, it further engages the students in self learning.

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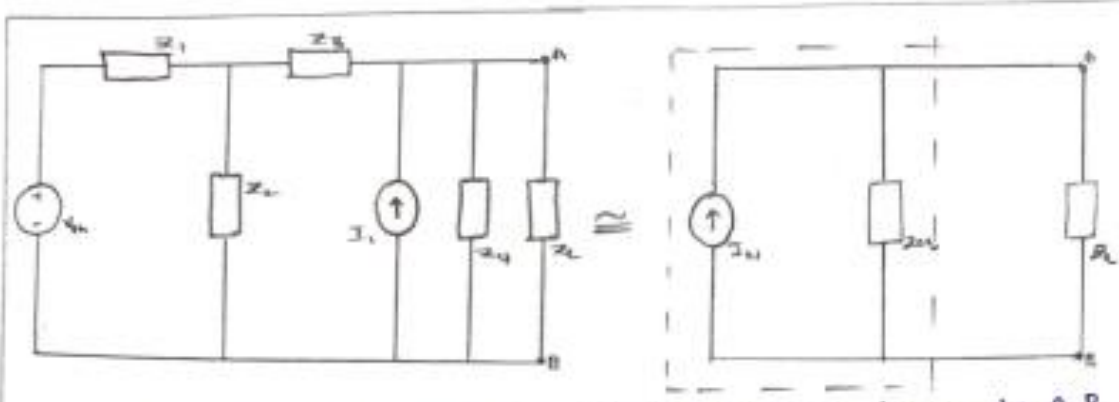
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### Norton's theorem:

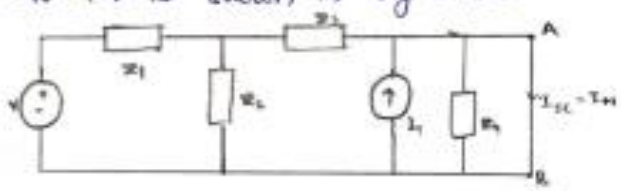
Statement: Any combination of linear bilateral circuit elements and active sources, regardless of connection or complexity, connected to a given load  $Z_L$ , can be replaced by a simple two-terminal network, consisting of a single current source of  $I_N$  amperes and a single impedance  $Z_{eq}$  in parallel with it, across the two terminals of the load  $Z_L$ . The  $I_N$  is the short circuit current flowing through the short circuited path, replaced instead of  $Z_L$ . It is also called Norton's current. The  $Z_{eq}$  is the equivalent impedance of the given network as viewed through the load terminals, with  $Z_L$  removed and all the active sources are replaced by short circuit while the independent current sources must be replaced by open circuit, while calculating  $Z_{eq}$ .

### Explanation of Norton's theorem:

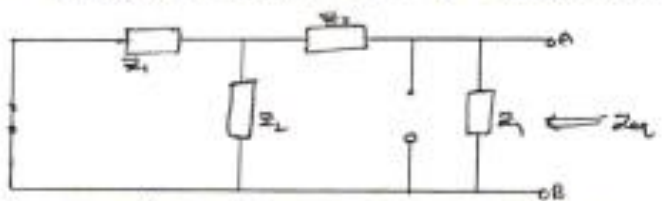
Consider a network shown in figure below. The terminals A-B are load terminals where load impedance  $Z_L$  is connected. According to Norton's theorem the entire network can be replaced by a current resource  $I_N$ , and an equivalent impedance  $Z_{eq}$  in parallel with it, across the load terminals A-B as shown in fig(b)



for obtaining current  $I_N$ , short the load terminals A.B. Calculate the current through the short circuited path by using any of the network simplification techniques. This is Norton's current  $I_N$ . It is shown in fig below



while the equivalent impedance  $Z_{eq}$  is to be obtained by the same procedure as in case of Thevenin's theorem.



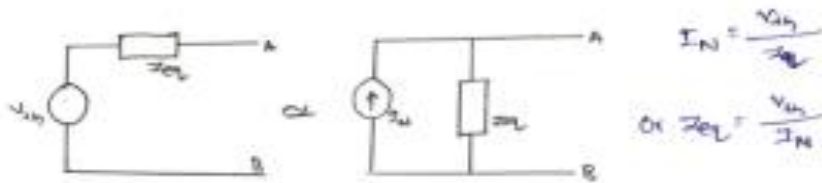
when the circuit is replaced by Norton's equivalent across the load terminals, then the load current can be easily obtained by using current division in a parallel circuit as

$$I_L = I_N = \frac{Z_{eq}}{Z_L + Z_{eq}}$$

this theorem is also called dual of Thevenin's theorem. This is because if the Thevenin's equivalent voltage source is converted to an equivalent current source, the Norton's equivalent

is obtained. This is shown in fig.

-from source transformation we can write



Steps to Apply Norton's theorem:

step-1 -> short the branch through which the current is to be calculated by removing the impedance between the terminals -s

step-2 -> obtain the current through this short circuited branch, using any of the network simplification techniques -this current is nothing but Norton's current  $I_N$ .

step-3 -> calculate the equivalent impedance  $Z_{eq}$  as viewed through the two terminals of interest by removing the branch impedance and making all the independent sources inactive.

step-4 -> Draw the Norton's equivalent across the terminals of interest, showing a current source  $I_N$  with the impedance  $Z_{eq}$  parallel with it. Reconnect the branch impedance now let it be  $Z_L$ . the current through the branch of interest is:

$$I = I_N \times \frac{Z_{eq}}{Z_{eq} + Z_L}$$

Note: If dependent sources are present in the circuit -then

$$Z_{eq} = \frac{V_{oc}}{I_N}$$

**Outcome:** Many students suggest that using the Google it-report writing strategy supported their ability to effectively explore and integrate the topic and create flow and linkage amongst when writing their report.

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