

Methods of Analysis and Selected Topics (dc)

8.11 BRIDGE NETWORKS

The **bridge** network has many application:

- DC and AC meters
- In electronic rectifying circuit (convert AC to DC)

The bridge may appear in any of the three forms shown:

planar network can be made to appear nonplanar as in (c).

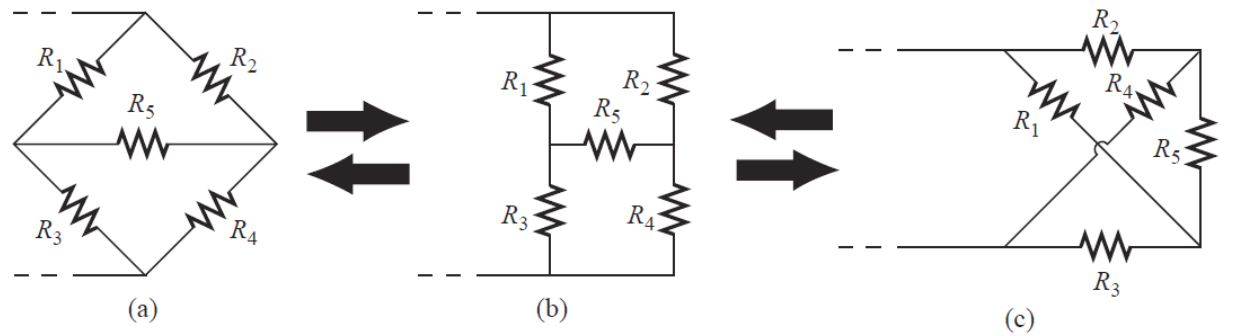


FIG. 8.63

Various formats for a bridge network.

The network is called symmetrical lattice network if:

$$R_2 = R_3 \quad \text{and} \quad R_1 = R_4$$

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$$(3 \Omega + 4 \Omega + 2 \Omega)I_1 - (4 \Omega)I_2 - (2 \Omega)I_3 = 20 \text{ V}$$

$$(4 \Omega + 5 \Omega + 2 \Omega)I_2 - (4 \Omega)I_1 - (5 \Omega)I_3 = 0$$

$$(2 \Omega + 5 \Omega + 1 \Omega)I_3 - (2 \Omega)I_1 - (5 \Omega)I_2 = 0$$

and

$$9I_1 - 4I_2 - 2I_3 = 20$$

$$-4I_1 + 11I_2 - 5I_3 = 0$$

$$-2I_1 - 5I_2 + 8I_3 = 0$$

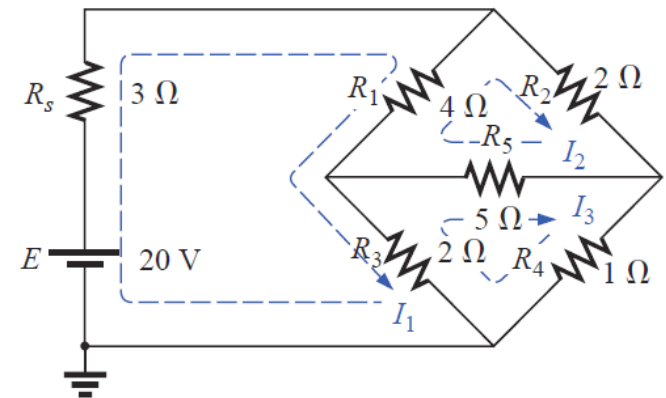
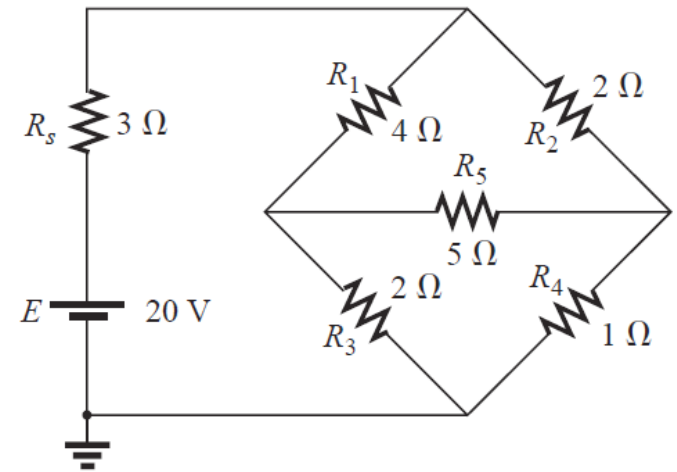
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and

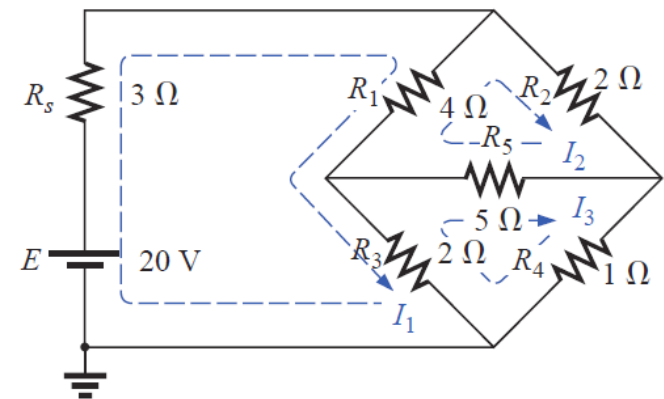
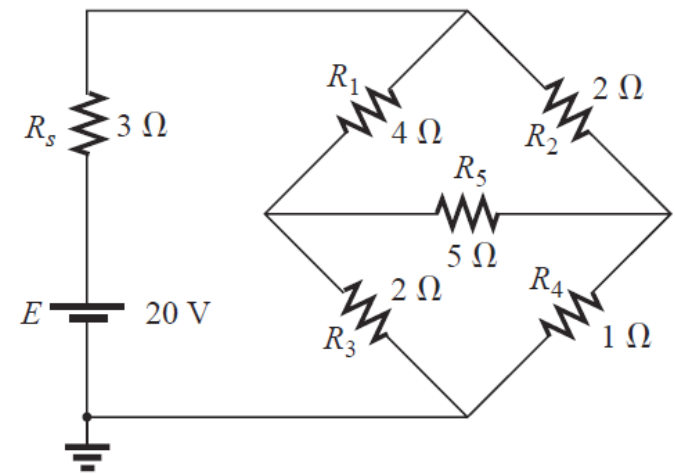
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$$I_{5\Omega} = I_2 - I_3 = 2.667 \text{ A} - 2.667 \text{ A} = 0 \text{ A}$$



Nodal analysis (Fig. 8.66) yields

$$\left(\frac{1}{3\ \Omega} + \frac{1}{4\ \Omega} + \frac{1}{2\ \Omega}\right)V_1 - \left(\frac{1}{4\ \Omega}\right)V_2 - \left(\frac{1}{2\ \Omega}\right)V_3 = \frac{20}{3}\ \text{A}$$

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and

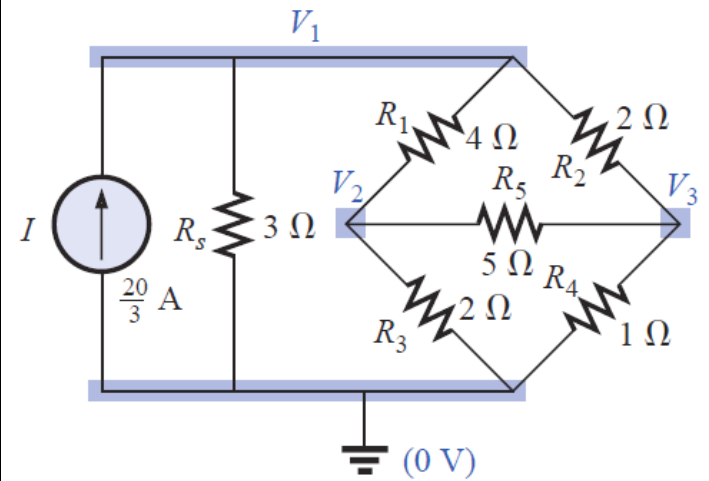
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$$-\left(\frac{1}{2\ \Omega}\right)V_1 - \left(\frac{1}{5\ \Omega}\right)V_2 + \left(\frac{1}{5\ \Omega} + \frac{1}{2\ \Omega} + \frac{1}{1\ \Omega}\right)V_3 = 0$$

$$V_1 = \mathbf{8\ V}$$

$$V_2 = \mathbf{2.667\ V} \quad \text{and} \quad V_3 = \mathbf{2.667\ V}$$



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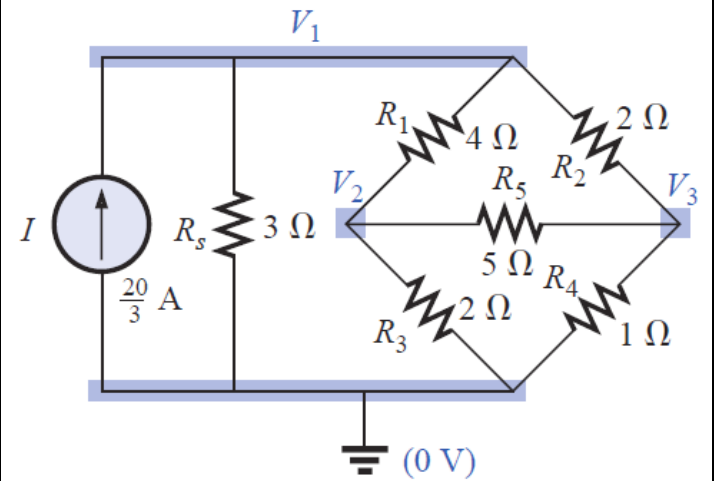
$$-\left(\frac{1}{2\ \Omega}\right)V_1 - \left(\frac{1}{5\ \Omega}\right)V_2 + \left(\frac{1}{5\ \Omega} + \frac{1}{2\ \Omega} + \frac{1}{1\ \Omega}\right)V_3 = 0$$

$$V_1 = 8\ \text{V}$$

$$V_2 = 2.667\ \text{V} \quad \text{and} \quad V_3 = 2.667\ \text{V}$$

and the voltage across the 5- Ω resistor is

$$V_{5\ \Omega} = V_2 - V_3 = 2.667\ \text{V} - 2.667\ \text{V} = 0\ \text{V}$$



R_5 can be replaced by a short circuit

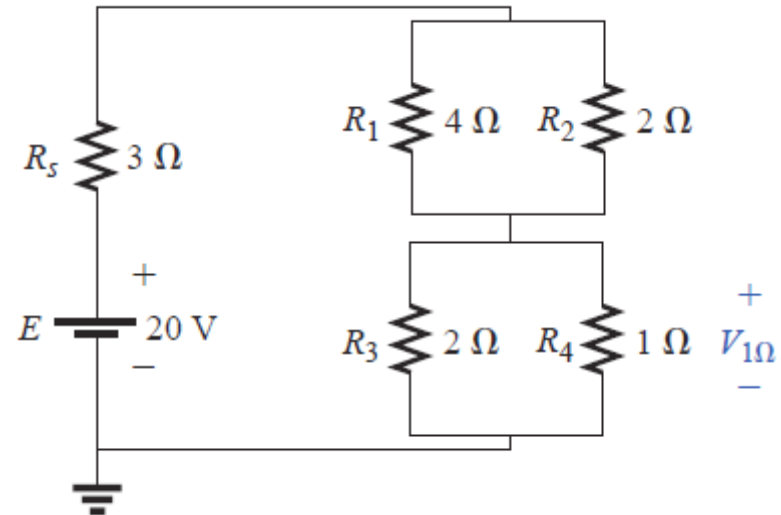
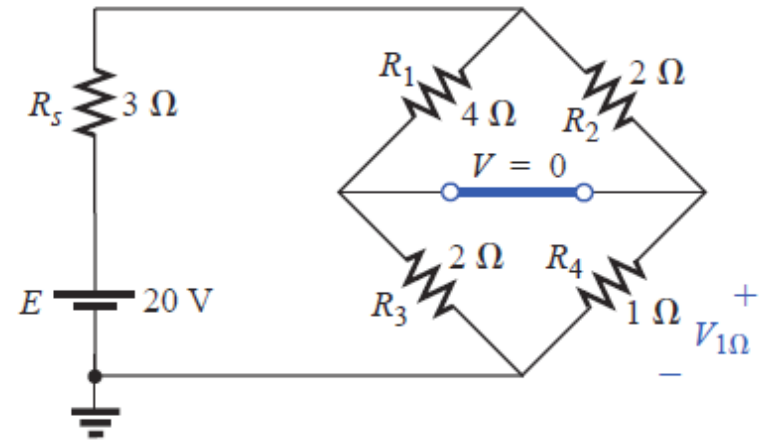
since $V_{R5} = 0$.

We obtain the same voltages at the nodes:

Using voltage divider rule:

$$\begin{aligned} V_{1\Omega} &= \frac{(2\ \Omega \parallel 1\ \Omega)20\ \text{V}}{(2\ \Omega \parallel 1\ \Omega) + (4\ \Omega \parallel 2\ \Omega) + 3\ \Omega} \\ &= \frac{\frac{2}{3}(20\ \text{V})}{\frac{2}{3} + \frac{8}{6} + 3} = \frac{\frac{2}{3}(20\ \text{V})}{\frac{2}{3} + \frac{4}{3} + \frac{9}{3}} \\ &= \frac{2(20\ \text{V})}{2 + 4 + 9} = \frac{40\ \text{V}}{15} = \mathbf{2.667\ \text{V}} \end{aligned}$$

$V_{R3}=V_{R4}$, they are in parallel!!!



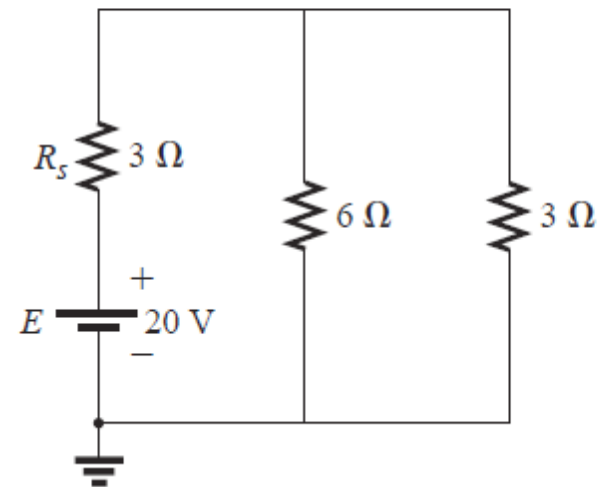
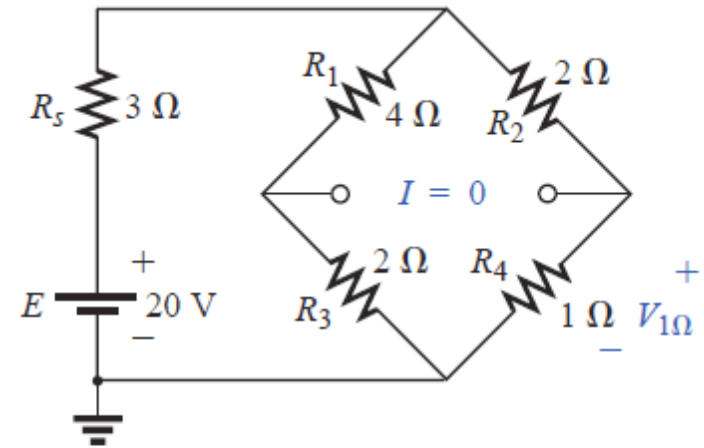
R_5 can be replaced by a open circuit

since $I_{R5} = 0$.

We obtain the same voltages and currents:

$$V_{3\Omega} = \frac{(6\ \Omega \parallel 3\ \Omega)(20\ \text{V})}{6\ \Omega \parallel 3\ \Omega + 3\ \Omega} = \frac{2\ \Omega(20\ \text{V})}{2\ \Omega + 3\ \Omega} = 8\ \text{V}$$

$$V_{1\Omega} = \frac{1\ \Omega(8\ \text{V})}{1\ \Omega + 2\ \Omega} = \frac{8\ \text{V}}{3} = 2.667\ \text{V}$$



The bridge network is balanced when the condition: $I = 0$ or $V = 0$ exists in the middle branch.

$V = 0$: short circuit between a and b :

$$V_1 = V_2 \Rightarrow I_1 \cdot R_1 = I_2 \cdot R_2 \Rightarrow I_1 = I_2 \cdot \frac{R_2}{R_1}$$

In addition when $V = 0$:

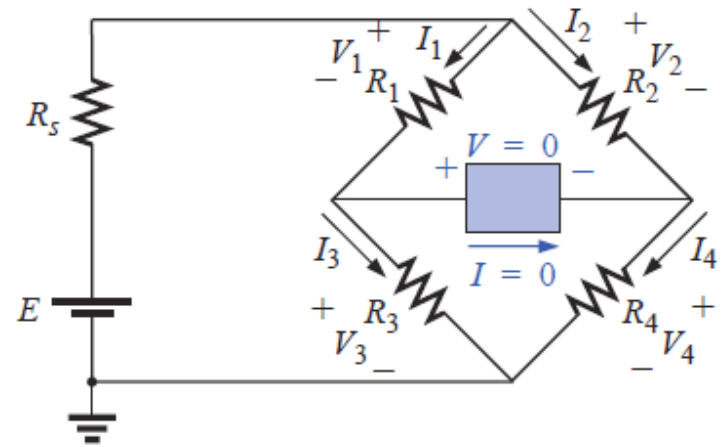
$$V_3 = V_4 \Rightarrow I_3 \cdot R_3 = I_4 \cdot R_4 \Rightarrow I_3 = I_4 \cdot \frac{R_4}{R_3}$$

If we set $I = 0$: $\Rightarrow I_3 = I_1$ and $I_4 = I_2$

Thus:

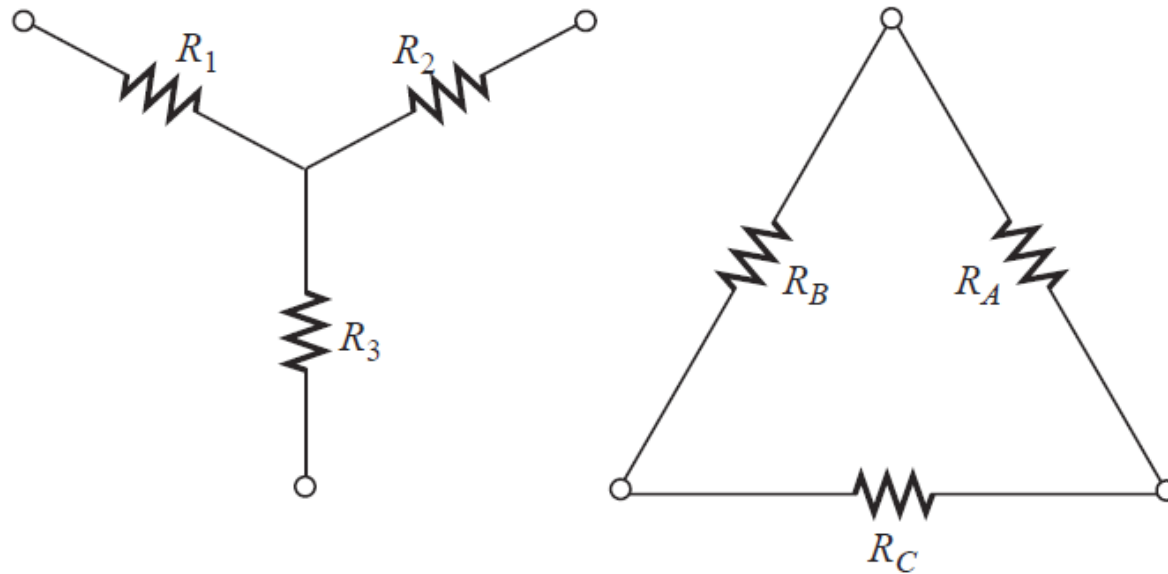
$$\frac{R_1}{R_3} = \frac{R_2}{R_4}$$

This is the condition for the bridge to be balanced and therefore: $V = 0$ and $I = 0$.



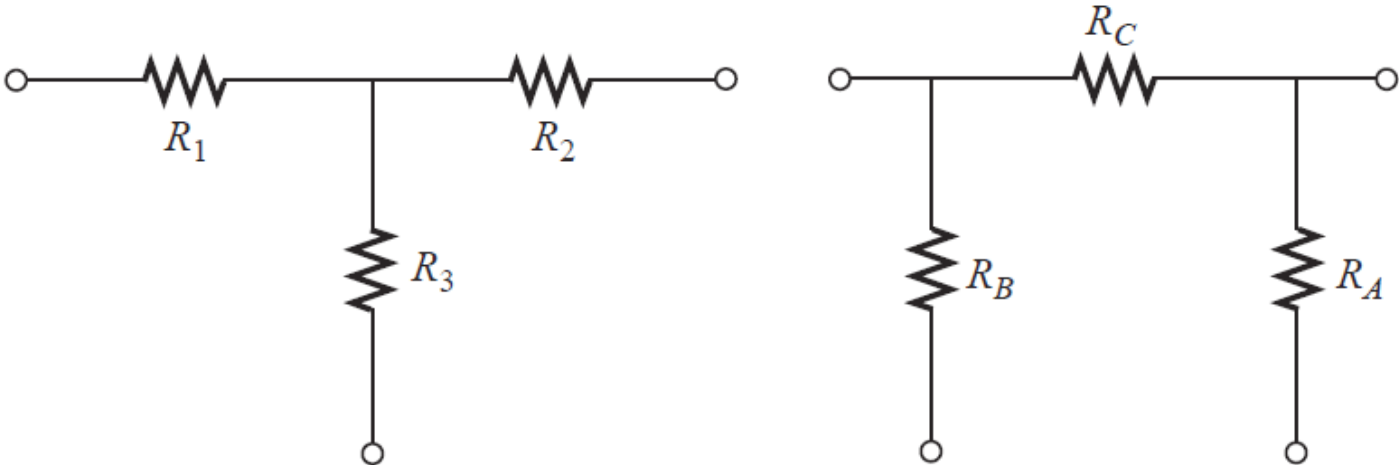
8.12 Y- Δ (T- π) AND Δ -Y (π -T) CONVERSIONS

- There are circuit configurations where resistors do not appear to be in series or parallel.
- May be necessary to convert the circuit from one form to another to easier find solutions.
- Two such configuration are: **WYE (Y)** and **DELTA (Δ)** configurations



(a)

- They are also referred as **TEE (T)** and **PI (π)**, the pi is an inverted delta



“ T ”

“ π ”

(b)

- Develop equations to convert from **Y** to **Δ** and vice versa
- Using these equations we can replace a Y to Δ (or Δ to Y) whichever is more convenient.
- Find R_1 , R_2 and R_3 in terms of R_A , R_B and R_C and vice versa, which will ensure that the resistance between any two terminals is the same.

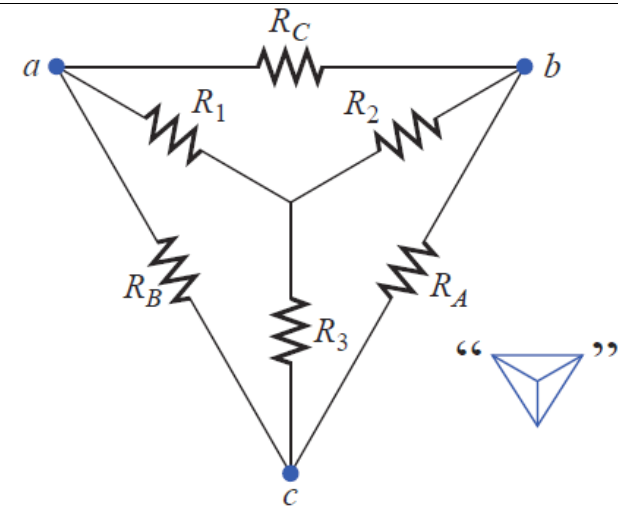


FIG. 8.73

Introducing the concept of Δ -Y or Y- Δ conversions.

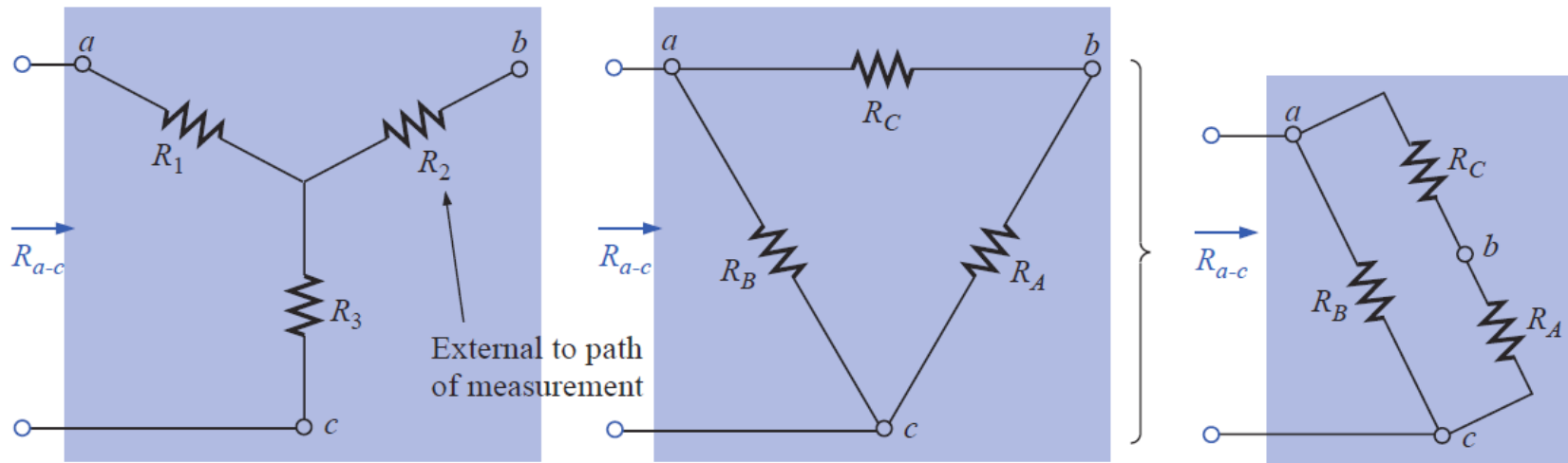


FIG. 8.74

Finding the resistance R_{a-c} for the Y and Δ configurations.

The two configuration are equivalent if:

$$R_{a-c} \text{ (Y)} = R_{a-c} \text{ (\Delta)}$$

$$R_{a-c} = R_1 + R_3 = \frac{R_B(R_A + R_C)}{R_B + (R_A + R_C)}$$

Similarly for R_{a-b} and R_{b-c} :

$$R_{a-b} = R_1 + R_2 = \frac{R_C(R_A + R_B)}{R_C + (R_A + R_B)}$$

$$R_{b-c} = R_2 + R_3 = \frac{R_A(R_B + R_C)}{R_A + (R_B + R_C)}$$

$$(R_1 + R_2) - (R_1 + R_3) = \left(\frac{R_C R_B + R_C R_A}{R_A + R_B + R_C} \right) - \left(\frac{R_B R_A + R_B R_C}{R_A + R_B + R_C} \right)$$

$$R_2 - R_3 = \frac{R_A R_C - R_B R_A}{R_A + R_B + R_C}$$

$$(R_2 + R_3) - (R_2 - R_3) = \left(\frac{R_A R_B + R_A R_C}{R_A + R_B + R_C} \right) - \left(\frac{R_A R_C - R_B R_A}{R_A + R_B + R_C} \right)$$

$$2R_3 = \frac{2R_B R_A}{R_A + R_B + R_C}$$

\Rightarrow

$$R_3 = \frac{R_A R_B}{R_A + R_B + R_C}$$

Similarly we find:

$$R_1 = \frac{R_B R_C}{R_A + R_B + R_C}$$

$$R_2 = \frac{R_A R_C}{R_A + R_B + R_C}$$

Note that each resistor of the Y is equal to the product of the resistors in the two closest branches of the Δ divided by the sum of the resistors in the Δ .

To obtain the converse relations:

$$\frac{R_3}{R_1} = \frac{(R_A R_B)/(R_A + R_B + R_C)}{(R_B R_C)/(R_A + R_B + R_C)} = \frac{R_A}{R_C} \quad \Rightarrow \quad R_A = \frac{R_C R_3}{R_1}$$

$$\frac{R_3}{R_2} = \frac{(R_A R_B)/(R_A + R_B + R_C)}{(R_A R_C)/(R_A + R_B + R_C)} = \frac{R_B}{R_C} \quad \Rightarrow \quad R_B = \frac{R_3 R_C}{R_2}$$

Substituting for R_A and R_B in the equation of R_2 yields:

$R_2 = \frac{(R_C R_3 / R_1) R_C}{(R_3 R_C / R_2) + (R_C R_3 / R_1) + R_C}$ $= \frac{(R_3 / R_1) R_C}{(R_3 / R_2) + (R_3 / R_1) + 1}$	<p>Placing these over a common denominator, we obtain</p> $R_2 = \frac{(R_3 R_C / R_1)}{(R_1 R_2 + R_1 R_3 + R_2 R_3) / (R_1 R_2)}$ $= \frac{R_2 R_3 R_C}{R_1 R_2 + R_1 R_3 + R_2 R_3}$
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$$R_C = \frac{R_1 R_2 + R_1 R_3 + R_2 R_3}{R_3}$$

We follow the same procedure for R_B and R_A :

$$R_A = \frac{R_1 R_2 + R_1 R_3 + R_2 R_3}{R_1}$$

and

$$R_B = \frac{R_1 R_2 + R_1 R_3 + R_2 R_3}{R_2}$$

Note that the value of each resistor of the Δ is equal to the sum of the possible product combinations of the resistances of the Y divided by the resistance of the Y farthest from the resistor to be determined.

If all resistor are equal ($R_1 = R_2 = R_3 = R_Y$) and ($R_A = R_B = R_C = R_\Delta$) then

$$R_Y = \frac{R_\Delta}{3}$$

$$R_\Delta = 3R_Y$$

If only two elements of a Y (or a Δ) are the same, the corresponding Δ (or Y) of each will also have two equal elements.

The Y and the Δ will often appear as shown in Fig. 8.75. They are then referred to as a **tee (T)** and a **pi (π)** network, respectively.

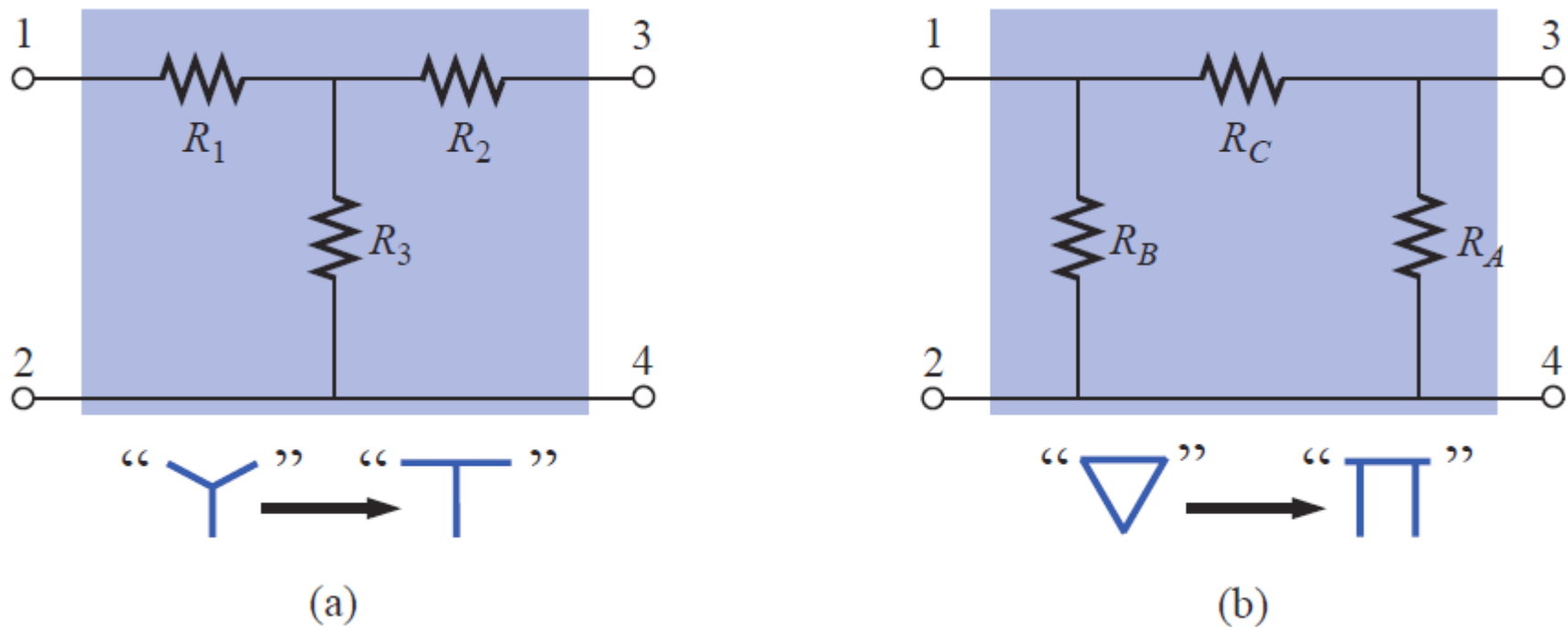


FIG. 8.75

The relationship between the Y and T configurations and the Δ and π configurations.

EXAMPLE 8.27 Convert the Δ of Fig. 8.76 to a Y.

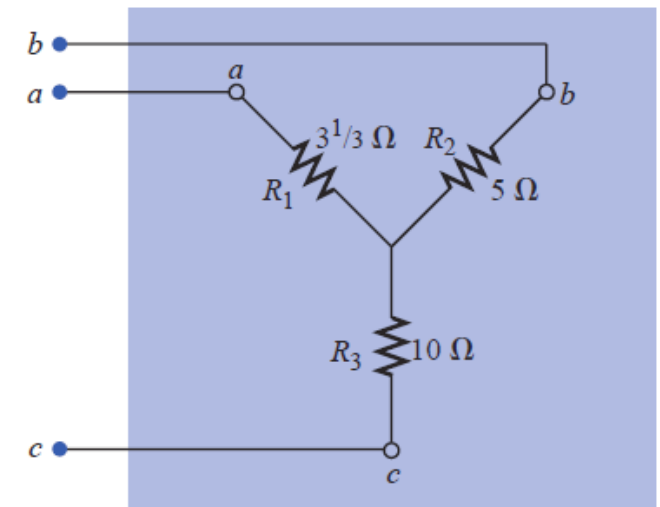
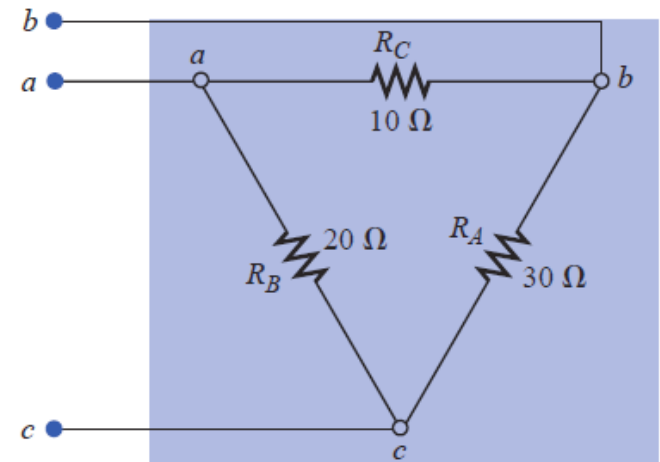
Solution:

$$R_1 = \frac{R_B R_C}{R_A + R_B + R_C} = \frac{(20 \Omega)(10 \Omega)}{30 \Omega + 20 \Omega + 10 \Omega} = \frac{200 \Omega}{60} = 3\frac{1}{3} \Omega$$

$$R_2 = \frac{R_A R_C}{R_A + R_B + R_C} = \frac{(30 \Omega)(10 \Omega)}{60 \Omega} = \frac{300 \Omega}{60} = 5 \Omega$$

$$R_3 = \frac{R_A R_B}{R_A + R_B + R_C} = \frac{(20 \Omega)(30 \Omega)}{60 \Omega} = \frac{600 \Omega}{60} = 10 \Omega$$

The equivalent network is shown in Fig. 8.77 (page 298).



EXAMPLE 8.28 Convert the Y of Fig. 8.78 to a Δ .

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} R_A &= \frac{R_1 R_2 + R_1 R_3 + R_2 R_3}{R_1} \\ &= \frac{(60 \Omega)(60 \Omega) + (60 \Omega)(60 \Omega) + (60 \Omega)(60 \Omega)}{60 \Omega} \\ &= \frac{3600 \Omega + 3600 \Omega + 3600 \Omega}{60} = \frac{10,800 \Omega}{60} \end{aligned}$$

$$R_A = \mathbf{180 \Omega}$$

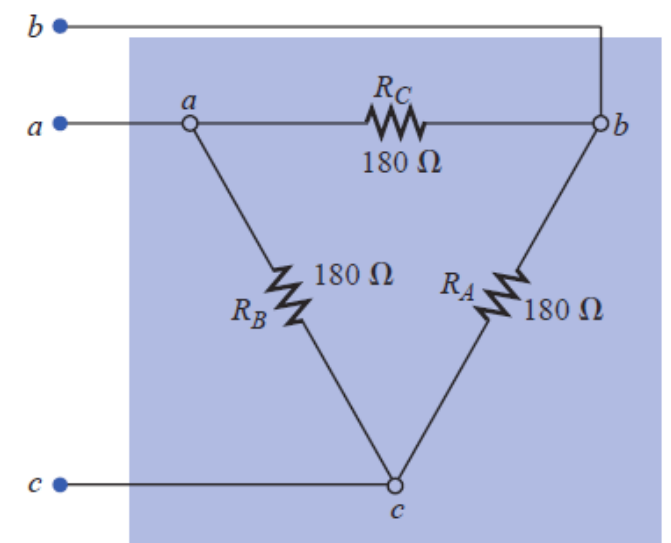
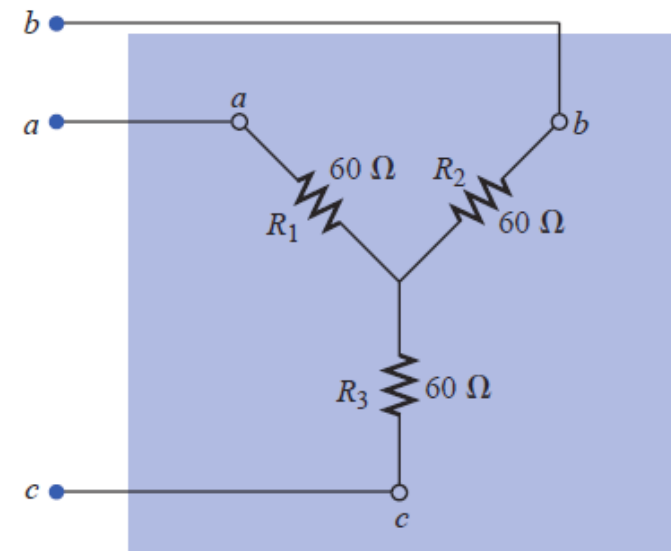
However, the three resistors for the Y are equal, permitting the use of Eq. (8.8) and yielding

$$R_{\Delta} = 3R_Y = 3(60 \Omega) = 180 \Omega$$

and

$$R_B = R_C = \mathbf{180 \Omega}$$

The equivalent network is shown in Fig. 8.79.



EXAMPLE 8.29 Find the total resistance of the network of Fig. 8.80, where $R_A = 3 \Omega$, $R_B = 3 \Omega$, and $R_C = 6 \Omega$.

Solution:

Two resistors of the Δ were equal; therefore, two resistors of the Y will be equal.

$$R_1 = \frac{R_B R_C}{R_A + R_B + R_C} = \frac{(3 \Omega)(6 \Omega)}{3 \Omega + 3 \Omega + 6 \Omega} = \frac{18 \Omega}{12} = 1.5 \Omega \leftarrow$$

$$R_2 = \frac{R_A R_C}{R_A + R_B + R_C} = \frac{(3 \Omega)(6 \Omega)}{12 \Omega} = \frac{18 \Omega}{12} = 1.5 \Omega \leftarrow$$

$$R_3 = \frac{R_A R_B}{R_A + R_B + R_C} = \frac{(3 \Omega)(3 \Omega)}{12 \Omega} = \frac{9 \Omega}{12} = 0.75 \Omega$$

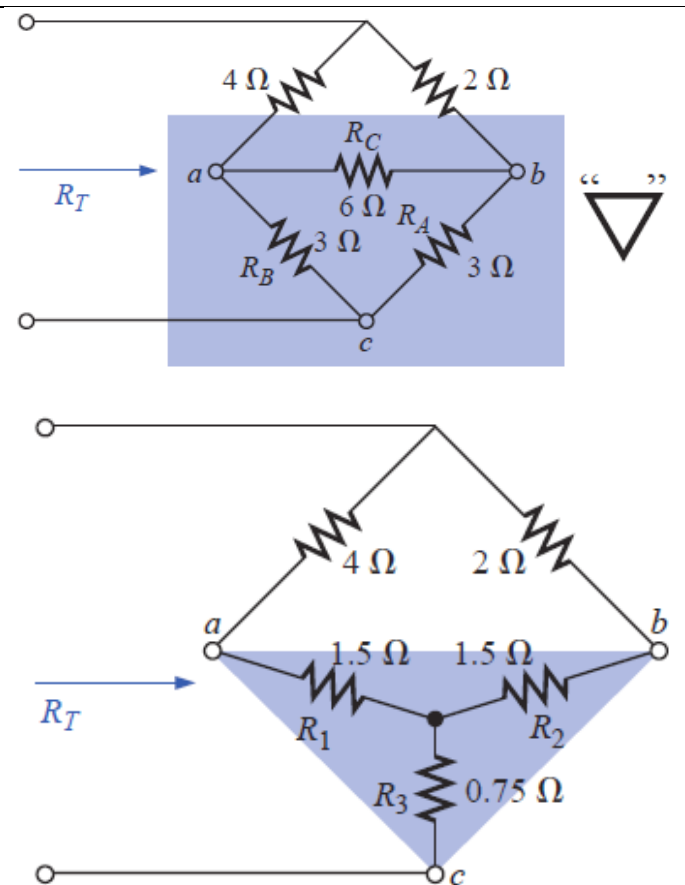
Replacing the Δ by the Y , as shown in Fig. 8.81, yields

$$R_T = 0.75 \Omega + \frac{(4 \Omega + 1.5 \Omega)(2 \Omega + 1.5 \Omega)}{(4 \Omega + 1.5 \Omega) + (2 \Omega + 1.5 \Omega)}$$

$$= 0.75 \Omega + \frac{(5.5 \Omega)(3.5 \Omega)}{5.5 \Omega + 3.5 \Omega}$$

$$= 0.75 \Omega + 2.139 \Omega$$

$$R_T = 2.889 \Omega$$

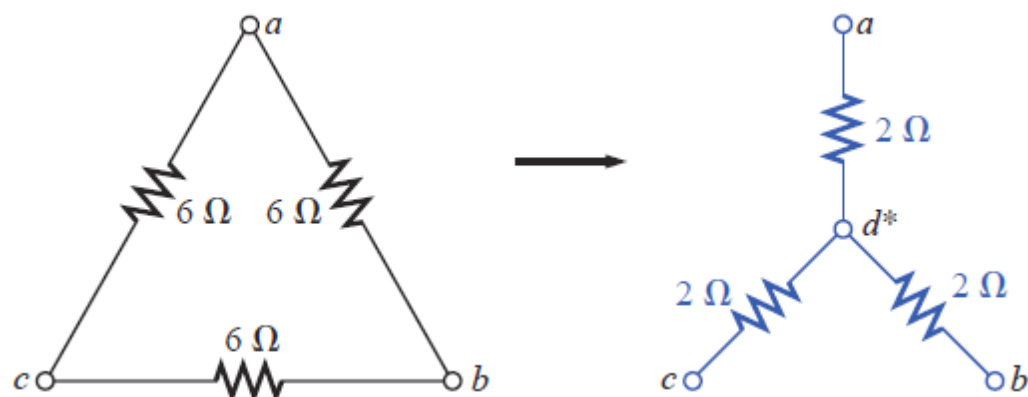


EXAMPLE 8.30 Find the total resistance of the network of Fig. 8.82.

Solutions: Since all the resistors of the Δ or Y are the same, Equations (8.8a) and (8.8b) can be used to convert either form to the other.

a. *Converting the Δ to a Y.* Note: When this is done, the resulting d' of the new Y will be the same as the point d shown in the original figure, only because both systems are “balanced.” That is, the resistance in each branch of each system has the same value:

$$R_Y = \frac{R_{\Delta}}{3} = \frac{6 \Omega}{3} = 2 \Omega \quad (\text{Fig. 8.83})$$



The network then appears as shown in Fig. 8.84.

$$R_T = 2 \left[\frac{(2 \Omega)(9 \Omega)}{2 \Omega + 9 \Omega} \right] = 3.2727 \Omega$$

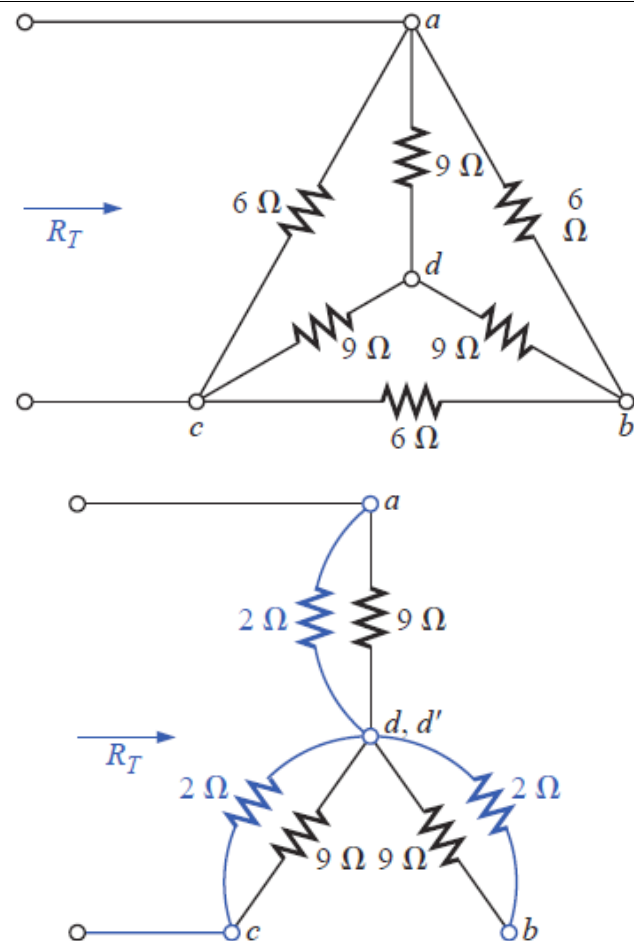


FIG. 8.84

Substituting the Y configuration for the converted Δ into the network of Fig. 8.82.

b. Converting the Y to a Δ :

$$R_{\Delta} = 3R_Y = (3)(9 \Omega) = 27 \Omega \quad (\text{Fig. 8.85})$$

$$R'_T = \frac{(6 \Omega)(27 \Omega)}{6 \Omega + 27 \Omega} = \frac{162 \Omega}{33} = 4.9091 \Omega$$

$$R_T = \frac{R'_T(R'_T + R'_T)}{R'_T + (R'_T + R'_T)} = \frac{R'_T 2R'_T}{3R'_T} = \frac{2R'_T}{3}$$

$$= \frac{2(4.9091 \Omega)}{3} = 3.2727 \Omega$$

which checks with the previous solution.

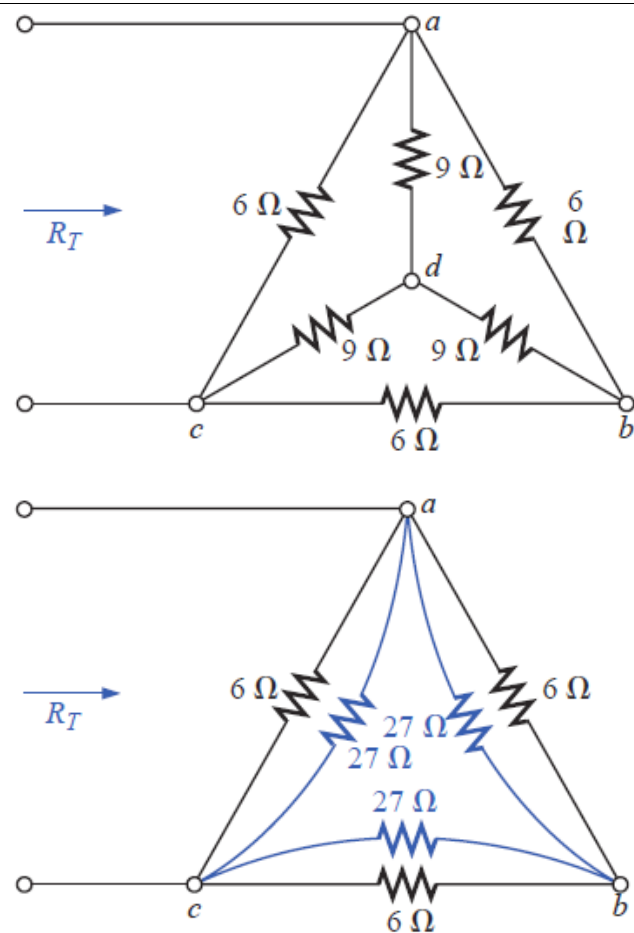
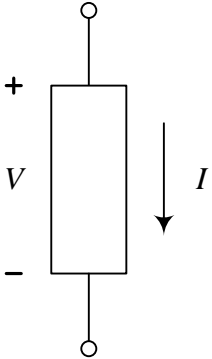
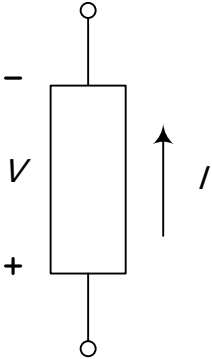
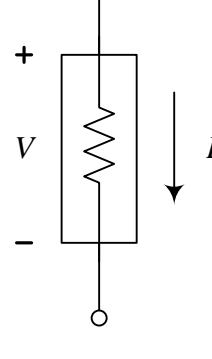
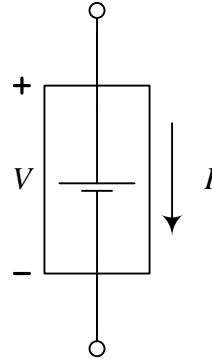
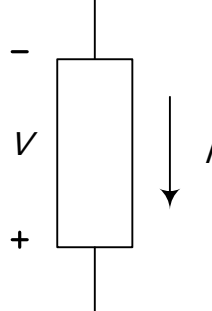
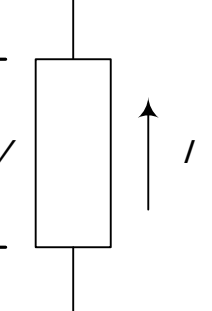
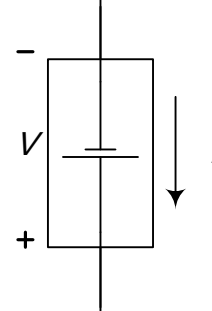
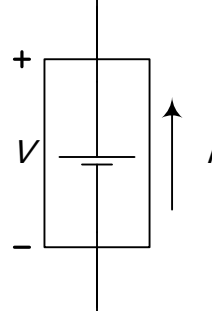


FIG. 8.85

Substituting the converted Y configuration into the network of Fig. 8.82.

General rules concerning Power:

<p>$P = VI$</p> <p>Power absorbed by the Element</p>				
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<p>$P = VI$</p> <p>Power delivered by the Element</p>				
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