MILLMAN'S THEOREM

- Through the application of Millman's theorem, any number of parallel voltage sources can be reduced to one.
- Showing in Fig, for example, the three voltage sources can be reduced to one. This would permit finding the current through or voltage across RL without having to apply a method such as mesh analysis, nodal analysis, superposition, and so on.



Basically, three steps are included in its application

- Convert all voltage sources to current sources
- Combine parallel current sources
- Convert the resulting current source to a voltage source, and the desired single-source network is obtained



$$E_{eq} = \frac{\frac{E_1}{R_1} + \frac{E_2}{R_2} + \dots + \frac{E_n}{R_n}}{\frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} + \dots + \frac{1}{R_n}}$$

$$R_{eq} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_1 + R_2 + R_3 + \dots + R_n}}$$

For AC networks Millman's theorem states that " if 'n' number of voltage sources V_1 , V_2 , V_3 ,..., V_n having internal impedances Z_1 , Z_2 , Z_3 ,..., Z_n are connected in parallel across the load Z_L than this arrangement may be replaced by a single voltage source V_{eq} in series with equivalent impedance Z_{eq} . Millman's equivalent circuit is shown in fig.1.



Fig. 1a

$$V_{eq} = \frac{V_1 Y_1 + V_2 Y_2 + V_3 Y_3 - \dots + V_n Y_n}{Y_1 + Y_2 + Y_3 - \dots + Y_n} - \dots - (1)$$

$$Z_{eq} = \frac{1}{Y_1 + Y_2 + Y_3 - \dots + Y_n} - \dots - (2)$$

Where $Z_1, Z_2, Z_3, \dots, Z_n$ are theimpedances and $Y_1, Y_2, Y_3, \dots, Y_n$ are theadmitatances. $Y = \frac{1}{Z}$

This theorem is applicable only to solve the parallel branch with one impedance or resistance connected to voltage or current source. The voltage sources can be converted into current sources by transformation of sources.

EXAMPLE: Using Millman's theorem, find the current through 'ab'



SOLUTION:

$$V_1 = 10 \angle 0^0 V$$

 $V_2 = 20 \angle 45^0 V$
 $Y_1 = \frac{1}{Z_1} = \frac{1}{5} = 0.2 S$
 $Y_1 = \frac{1}{Z_2} = \frac{1}{-j3} = 0.33 \angle 90^0 S$

$$V_{eq} = \frac{V_1 Y_1 + V_2 Y_2}{Y_1 + Y_2}$$

$$V_{eq} = \frac{(10\angle 0^0)(0.2) + (20\angle 45^0)(0.33\angle 90^0)}{0.2 + 0.33\angle 90^0}$$

$$V_{eq} = 13.94\angle 60.97^0 V$$

$$Z_{eq} = \frac{1}{Y_{eq}} = \frac{1}{0.2 + 0.33\angle 90^0} = 2.59\angle -58.78^0 \Omega$$

Millman's Equivalent Circuit:



Current through branch $ab = 3.68 \angle 32.79^{\circ} A$

