

Analysis and Synthesis of the K - and Y -Matrices of Resistive n -Port Networks

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I. Introduction

The potential factor matrix K of an n -port network was first introduced in connection with establishing a criterion for the proper parallel connection of n -port networks [1]. An extensive use of the concept of potential factors was later made in the realisation of a real symmetric dominant matrix as the Y -matrix of an n -port network [2, 3]. Certain aspects of the relationship between the modified cutset matrix and the potential factors of an n -port network were dealt with in [4]. Recently *Lempel* and *Cederbaum* have discussed the synthesis of K -matrices² of resistive n -port networks [5]. In a more recent paper [6], the usefulness of the concept of potential factors in the realisation of Y -matrices of n -port networks and the synthesis of K -matrices of $(n + 2)$ -node resistive n -port networks have been discussed.

In this paper analysis and synthesis of K - and Y -matrices of resistive n -port networks are considered. In Section II, an equation relating the modified cutset matrix and the K -matrix of an n -port network and certain results regarding port-vertex equivalent n -port networks are given. A procedure is given in Section III for the generation of padding n -port networks. Synthesis of K and Y matrices is discussed in Section IV. A lower bound on the number of conductances required for the realisation of Y -matrices of n -port networks having a prescribed port configuration is also obtained in Section IV.

Unless stated otherwise we follow the notation used in [6].

II. Relationship between the modified cutset Matrix and the K -Matrix of an n -Port Network

We consider a resistive n -port network N having a port configuration T . We assume, without loss of generality, that N contains no internal vertices. The linear graph of N will be denoted by G . Let the port configuration T be in p parts T_i , $i = 1, 2, \dots, p$. Let T_0 be a tree of G and let T be a subgraph of T_0 . The edges of T will be referred to as port branches and the remaining edges of T_0 will be called non-port branches (n. p. b.). The j^{th} port of N and the corresponding port branch will be both denoted by p_j . The set of branches of T_i and the corresponding set of ports will be both denoted by P_i .

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² In the definition used by *Lempel* and *Cederbaum*, all the diagonal entries of the K -matrix are equal to zero.

Let C_0 be the fundamental cutset matrix of G with respect to T_0 . Let $C_1(C_2)$ be the submatrix of C_0 such that the rows of $C_1(C_2)$ correspond to port (non-port) branches. If V_e , V_p , and V_n denote the column matrices of edge voltages, port voltages and non-port branch voltages, then

$$\begin{aligned} V_n &= M^t V_p \\ &= [m_{ij}]^t V_p \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

where m_{ij} is the voltage across the j^{th} non-port branch when port i is excited with a source of unit voltage and all the other ports are short-circuited, and

$$V_e = C^t V_p \quad (2)$$

where C is the modified cutset matrix of N and is given by [7]

$$C = C_1 + M C_2. \quad (3)$$

We now proceed to obtain an equation relating the matrix M to the potential factor matrix K .

We first define an $(n \times p)$ matrix

$$\bar{K} = [\bar{K}_{ij}] = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{K}_1 \\ \bar{K}_2 \\ \vdots \\ \bar{K}_p \end{bmatrix} \quad (4)$$

as follows:

- i^{th} row of \bar{K} corresponds to port p_i ;
- i^{th} column of \bar{K} corresponds to the set of ports P_i ;
- the rows of the submatrix \bar{K}_i corresponds to the ports of P_i ;
- if $j \neq i$, then the j^{th} column of \bar{K}_i is equal to some column of K_{ij} ;
- if $j = i$, then the j^{th} column of \bar{K}_i consists of 1's only.

From the above definition of \bar{K} , we observe that if $p_i \notin P_j$, then \bar{K}_{ij} represents the voltage of P_j with respect to the negative reference terminal of port p_i , when p_i is excited with a source of unit voltage and all the other ports are short-circuited. Also, the port configuration T and \bar{K} completely specify K .

Let \bar{T} be the linear graph obtained after short-circuiting all the port branches of T_0 . \bar{T} will have p vertices, v_i , $i = 1, 2, \dots, p$, the vertex v_i corresponding to the set of ports P_i . The $(p - 1)$ non-port branches of T_0 will form the edges of \bar{T} . Let A be the incidence matrix of \bar{T} , the i^{th} row of A corresponding to v_i and the j^{th} column corresponding to the j^{th} non-port branch.

Let \bar{T}_i be the graph obtained from T_0 after short-circuiting all the port branches except p_i . If $p_i \in P_j$, then the $(p - 1)$ vertices v_i , $i = 1, 2, \dots, p$, $i \neq j$ and the two vertices of p_i will constitute the vertex set of \bar{T}_i .

Following are the possible ways in which the r^{th} non-port branch (r^{th} n. p. b.) can be situated in \bar{T}_i , with respect to p_i .

- r^{th} n. p. b. is not incident at the vertices of p_i (Fig. 1 a).
- r^{th} n. p. b. is incident at and oriented towards the positive reference terminal of p_i (Fig. 1 b).
- r^{th} n. p. b. is incident at and oriented away from the positive reference terminal of p_i (Fig. 1 c).

- d) r^{th} n. p. b. is incident at and oriented towards the negative reference terminal of p_i (Fig. 1 d).
- e) r^{th} n. p. b. is incident at and oriented away from the negative reference terminal of p_i (Fig. 1 e).

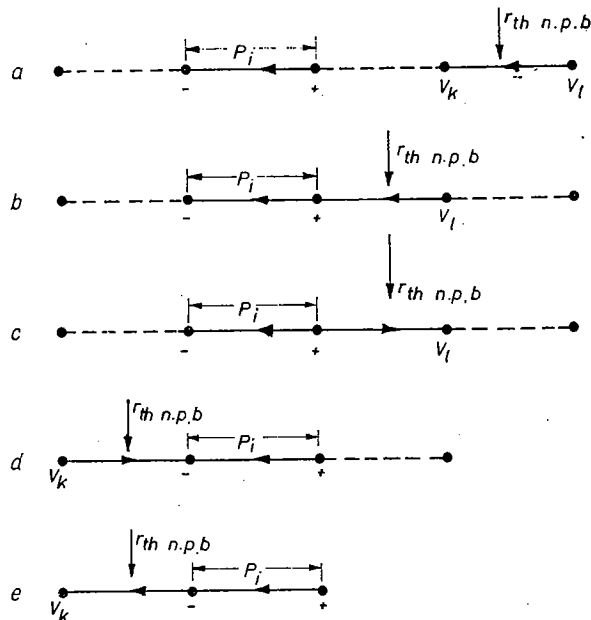


Fig. 1

We next define an $(n \times p - 1)$ matrix $\bar{A} = [\bar{a}_{ij}]$ as follows:

- a) i^{th} row of \bar{A} corresponds to p_i and the j^{th} column corresponds to the j^{th} n. p. b.
- b) $\bar{a}_{ir} = 0$, if in \bar{T}_i , either (i) the r^{th} n. p. b. is not incident at the vertices of p_i , or (ii) r^{th} n. p. b. is incident at the positive reference terminal of p_i .
- c) $\bar{a}_{ir} = 1$, if in \bar{T}_i , r^{th} n. p. b. is incident at and oriented towards the negative reference terminal of p_i .
- d) $\bar{a}_{ir} = -1$, if in \bar{T}_i , r^{th} n. p. b. is incident at and oriented away from the negative reference terminal of p_i .

We then have the following theorem.

Theorem 1:

$$M = \bar{K}A + \bar{A}.$$

Proof:

The (i, r) entry m_{ir} of M represents, by definition, the voltage across the r^{th} n. p. b. when port p_i is excited with a source of unit voltage and all the other ports are short-circuited. We shall denote the (i, r) entry of $\bar{K}A$ as $(\bar{K}A)_{i,r}$. We shall consider the five possible ways enumerated earlier, in which the r^{th} n. p. b. can be situated in \bar{T}_i (Figs. 1 (a), (b), (c), (d) and (e)) and obtain in each case m_{ir} , $(\bar{K}A)_{i,r}$ and \bar{a}_{ir} .

Case A: In \bar{T}_i r^{th} n. p. b. is situated with respect to p_i as in Fig. 1 (a).

$$\begin{aligned} m_{ir} &= \bar{k}_{il} - \bar{k}_{ik} \\ (\bar{K}A)_{i,r} &= \bar{k}_{il} - \bar{k}_{ik} \\ \bar{a}_{ir} &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Case B: In \bar{T}_i r^{th} n. p. b. is situated with respect to p_i as in Fig. 1 (b).

$$\begin{aligned} m_{ir} &= \bar{k}_{il} - 1 \\ (\bar{K}A)_{i,r} &= \bar{k}_{il} - 1 \\ \bar{a}_{ir} &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Case C: In \bar{T}_i r^{th} n. p. b. is situated with respect to p_i as in Fig. 1 (c).

$$\begin{aligned} m_{ir} &= 1 - \bar{k}_{il} \\ (\bar{K}A)_{i,r} &= 1 - \bar{k}_{il} \\ \bar{a}_{ir} &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Case D: In \bar{T}_i r^{th} n. p. b. is situated with respect to p_i as in Fig. 1 (d).

$$\begin{aligned} m_{ir} &= \bar{k}_{ik} \\ (\bar{K}A)_{i,r} &= \bar{k}_{ik} - 1 \\ \bar{a}_{ir} &= 1. \end{aligned}$$

Case E: In \bar{T}_i r^{th} n. p. b. is situated with respect to p_i as in Fig. 1 (e).

$$\begin{aligned} m_{ir} &= -\bar{k}_{ik} \\ (\bar{K}A)_{i,r} &= 1 - \bar{k}_{ik} \\ \bar{a}_{ir} &= -1. \end{aligned}$$

We observe that in all the cases considered above

$$m_{ir} = (\bar{K}A)_{i,r} + \bar{a}_{ir}.$$

Hence the theorem.

It follows from theorem (1) and equation (3) that

$$C = C_1 + (\bar{K}A + \bar{A}) C_2. \quad (5)$$

We note that $\bar{K} = K$, in the case of $2n$ -node n -port networks. Hence in that case

$$C = C_1 + (KA + \bar{A}) C_2. \quad (6)$$

Eq. (5) and (6) are respectively similar to Eq. (61) and (10) of reference [5]. The latter equations involve the use of certain submatrices of the matrix relating the incidence and fundamental cutset matrices of a graph obtained from G .

Consider, next, an n -port network, N^* constructed on N . Let T^* , the port configuration of N^* , also be in p parts T_i^* , $i = 1, \dots, p$, such that the vertices of T_i^* are the same as those of T_i . The n -port networks N and N^* defined as above will be referred to as port-vertex equivalent n -port networks.

Let C^* be the modified cutset matrix of N^* . Let Y^* , V_p^* and M^* be defined similarly. If

$$V_p = A^t V_p^* \quad (7)$$

then it is easy to show that

$$M^* = AM \quad (8)$$

$$C^* = AC \quad (9)$$

and

$$Y^* = AYA^t. \tag{10}$$

Further, if N is a padding n -port network, then it follows from (10) that N^* is also a padding n -port network.

III. Synthesis of padding n -Port Networks

We obtain, in this section, a procedure for the generation of padding n -port networks, having specified potential factors and a prescribed port configuration.

We shall assume, without loss of generality, that each connected part T_i , $i = 1, 2, \dots, p$ of the port configuration of the required padding n -port network N is a lagrangian tree. The set of vertices of T_i will be denoted as $i_0, i_1, i_2, \dots, i_{n_i}$, with i_0 as the star vertex of T_i . The m^{th} port of P_i will be denoted by $P_{i(m)}$. i_m and i_0 are the positive and negative reference terminals of $P_{i(m)}$. T_i and the polarities of $P_{i(m)}$ are as shown in Fig. 2.

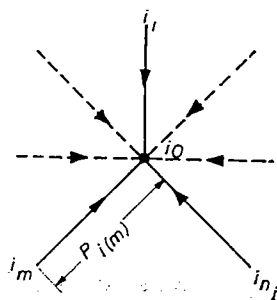


Fig. 2

The conductance of the edge connecting the vertices i_k and j_m of N will be denoted by $g_{i_k j_m}$. We further define $S_{i_k j}$ and S_{ij} as follows:

$$S_{i_k j} = \sum_{m=0}^{n_j} g_{i_k j_m}, j \neq i \tag{5}$$

and

$$S_{ij} = \sum_{k=0}^{n_i} S_{i_k j}, j \neq i$$

$$= \sum_{m=0}^{n_j} S_{j_m i}.$$

The network obtained from N after short circuiting all the ports will be denoted by \bar{N} , and the network obtained after short-circuiting all the ports except $P_{i(m)}$ and connecting a source of unit voltage across $P_{i(m)}$ will be denoted by $N_{i(m)}$. We observe that (i) the p vertices $v_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, p$ will constitute the vertex set of \bar{N} . (ii) the $(p - 1)$ vertices $v_r, r = 1, 2, \dots, p, r \neq i$ and the vertices of $P_{i(m)}$ will constitute the vertex set of $N_{i(m)}$ and (iii) C_2 is the fundamental cutset matrix of \bar{N} with respect to \bar{T} . If A_i is the reduced incidence matrix of \bar{N} with v_i as the reference vertex, then C_2 can be expressed as

$$C_2 = R_i A_i. \tag{11}$$

It is well known that R_i is non-singular. Further we denote by $k_{i(k),j}, j \neq i$, the voltage of the set of ports P_j when $P_{i(k)}$ is excited with a source of unit voltage

and all the other ports are short circuited. We note that $k_{i(k),j}$ is equal to some element of the k^{th} row of K_{ij} , $j \neq i$.

Given the port configuration T and the potential factors, the modified cutset matrix C of the required padding n -port network N can be easily constructed. It has been shown that a real diagonal matrix G will represent the edge conductance matrix of a padding n -port network N if and only if the following equations are satisfied [4].

$$CGC_2^t = 0 \quad (12a)$$

$$CGC_1^t = 0 \quad (12b)$$

and

$$\det(C_2GC_2^t) \neq 0. \quad (12c)$$

We next proceed to solve Eq. (12) for G .

Consider first Eq. (12a). This equation can be written as a set of linear equations with S_{ikj} 's as unknowns. If $C_i^{(k)}$ denotes the row of C corresponding to $P_{i(k)}$, then equation (12a) can be written as

$$C_i^{(k)}GC_2^t = 0, \quad \begin{aligned} i &= 1, 2, \dots, p, \\ k &= 1, 2, \dots, n_i. \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

From (11) and (13) we get

$$C_i^{(k)}GA_i^t = 0, \quad \begin{aligned} i &= 1, 2, \dots, p, \\ k &= 1, 2, \dots, n_i. \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

We note that Eq. (13) and (14) are equivalent since R_i is non-singular. The equation

$$C_i^{(k)}GA_i^t = 0 \quad \text{for some } i \text{ and some } k$$

represents the following set of $(p-1)$ equations.

$$S_{i_kj}(k_{i(k),j} - 1) + \sum_{\substack{m=0 \\ m \neq k}}^{n_i} S_{i_mj} k_{i(k),j} + \sum_{\substack{m=1 \\ m \neq j; m \neq i}}^p S_{j,m}(k_{i(k),j} - k_{i(k),m}) = 0 \quad (15)$$

$$j = 1, 2, \dots, p, \quad j \neq i.$$

Eq. (15) can be easily identified as Kirchhoff's current law equation for $N_{i(k)}$ at the $(p-1)$ vertices v_r , $r = 1, 2, \dots, p$, $r \neq i$. Solving (15) for S_{i_kj} and generalising the result we get

$$S_{i_kj} = S_{i,j}k_{i(k),j} + \sum_{\substack{m=1 \\ m \neq i, m \neq j}}^p S_{j,m}(k_{i(k),j} - k_{i(k),m}) \quad (16)$$

$$i = 1, 2, \dots, p,$$

$$k = 1, 2, \dots, n_i$$

and

$$j = 1, 2, \dots, p, \quad j \neq i.$$

Since

$$S_{i,j} = \sum_{k=0}^{n_i} S_{i_kj}.$$

We get from (16)

$$\begin{aligned}
 S_{i_0j} &= S_{ij} - \sum_{k=1}^{n_i} S_{i_kj} \\
 &= S_{ij} \left(1 - \sum_{k=1}^{n_i} k_{i(k),j} \right) - \sum_{k=1}^{n_i} \sum_{\substack{m=1 \\ m \neq i, m \neq j}}^p S_{j,m} (k_{i(k),j} - k_{i(k),m})
 \end{aligned} \tag{17}$$

$$i = 1, 2, \dots, p \quad \text{and} \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, p, \quad j \neq i.$$

Eq. (16) and (17) can be used to evaluate all $S_{i,j}$'s after assuming arbitrary values for S_{i_kj} 's. S_{i_kj} 's so obtained will satisfy Eq. (12a).

We next proceed to solve Equation (12b) and obtain expressions for the edge conductances of N in terms of S_{i_kj} 's.

Let $C_{1,j(m)}$ denote the row of C_1 corresponding to $P_{j(m)}$. Then, taking into account the symmetry of the short-circuit conductance matrix CGC_1^t , the following sets of equations are obtained from Eq. (12b).

$$\begin{aligned}
 C_i^{(k)}GC_{1,j(m)}^t &= 0, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, p-1, \\
 &k = 1, 2, \dots, n_i, \\
 &j = 2, 3, \dots, p, \quad j > i, \\
 &m = 1, 2, \dots, n_j.
 \end{aligned} \tag{18a}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 C_i^{(k)}GC_{1,i(m)}^t &= 0, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, p, \\
 &k = 1, 2, \dots, n_i - 1, \\
 &m = 2, 3, \dots, n_i, \quad m > k
 \end{aligned} \tag{18b}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 C_i^{(k)}GC_{1,i(k)}^t &= 0, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, p, \\
 &k = 1, 2, \dots, n_i.
 \end{aligned} \tag{18c}$$

Consider the equation

$$C_i^{(k)}GC_{1,j(m)}^t = 0, \quad \text{for some } i, k, j > i, \text{ and } m.$$

This equation can be written as

$$\begin{aligned}
 g_{i_kj_m} (k_{i(k),j} - 1) + \sum_{\substack{r=0 \\ r \neq k}}^{n_i} g_{i_rj_m} k_{i(k),j} \\
 + \sum_{\substack{r=1 \\ r \neq i \\ r \neq j}}^p S_{j_m r} (k_{i(k),j} - k_{i(k),r}) = 0.
 \end{aligned} \tag{19}$$

Solving (19) for $g_{i_kj_m}$ and generalising the result, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 g_{i_kj_m} &= S_{j_m k} k_{i(k),j} + \sum_{\substack{r=1 \\ r \neq i \\ r \neq j}}^p S_{j_m r} (k_{i(k),j} - k_{i(k),r}) \\
 &i = 1, 2, \dots, p-1 \\
 &k = 1, 2, \dots, n_i \\
 &j = 2, 3, \dots, p, \quad j > i \\
 &m = 1, 2, \dots, n_j.
 \end{aligned} \tag{20}$$

Values for $g_{i_k j_m}$'s obtained by using (20) will satisfy (18a). Further $g_{i_0 j_m}$ and $g_{i_k j_0}$ and $g_{i_0 j_0}$ can be obtained as

$$g_{i_0 j_m} = S_{j_m i} - \sum_{k=1}^{n_i} g_{i_m i_k}$$

$$g_{i_k j_0} = s_{i_k j} - \sum_{m=1}^{n_j} g_{i_k j_m}$$

and

$$g_{i_0 j_0} = S_{i_0 j} - \sum_{m=1}^{n_j} g_{i_0 j_m}$$

$$i = 1, 2, \dots, p - 1$$

$$k = 1, 2, \dots, n_i$$

$$j = 2, 3, \dots, p, j > i$$

$$m = 1, 2, \dots, n_j.$$

(21)

Eq. (20) and (21) will enable us to obtain conductances of edges connecting vertices in different T_i 's.

We then consider equation (18b). The equation

$$C_i^k G C_{1, i(m)}^i = 0 \quad \text{for some } i, k \text{ and } m > k$$

can be written as

$$-g_{i_k i_m} - \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq i}}^p S_{i_m j} k_{i(k), j} = 0. \quad (22)$$

Solving Eq. (22) for $g_{i_k i_m}$ and generalising the result we get

$$g_{i_k i_m} = \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq i}}^p S_{i_m j} k_{i(k), j}$$

$$i = 1, 2, \dots, p,$$

$$k = 1, 2, \dots, n_i - 1,$$

$$m = 2, 3, \dots, n_i, m > k.$$

(23)

Values for $g_{i_k i_m}$'s obtained using (23) will satisfy Eq. (18b).

Finally, we consider equation (18c). The equation

$$C_i^{(k)} G C_{1, i(k)}^i = 0, \quad \text{for some } i \text{ and some } k$$

can be written as

$$g_{i_k i_0} + \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq i}}^p S_{i_k j} (1 - k_{i(k), j}) + \sum_{\substack{m=1 \\ m \neq k}}^{n_i} g_{i_k i_m} = 0. \quad (24)$$

From Eq. (24) we get

$$g_{i_k i_0} + \sum_{\substack{m=1 \\ m \neq i}}^{n_i} g_{i_k i_m} + \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq i}}^p (k_{i(k), j} - 1) S_{i_k j}. \quad (25)$$

We get from Eq. (23) and (25)

$$\begin{aligned}
 g_{i_k i_0} &= \sum_{\substack{m=1 \\ m \neq k}}^{n_i} \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq i}}^p S_{i_m j} k_{i(k),j} - \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq i}}^p (1 - k_{i(k),j}) S_{i_k j} \\
 &= \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq i}}^p k_{i(k),j} S_{i_0, j}.
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{26}$$

The last step in Eq. (26) follows after equating to zero the sum of the currents in those edges of $N_{i(k)}$, connecting vertices in T_i to all other vertices. Generalising the result obtained in Eq. (26) we get,

$$\begin{aligned}
 g_{i_k i_0} &= - \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq i}}^p k_{i(k),j} S_{i_0, j}. \\
 i &= 1, 2, \dots, p, \\
 k &= 1, 2, \dots, n_i.
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{27}$$

Values for $g_{i_k i_0}$'s obtained using Eq. (27) will satisfy (18c).

The discussions up to this point may be summarized as follows:

- a) Assuming arbitrary values for $S_{i,j}$'s, determine $S_{i_k j}$'s using Eq. (16) and (17).
- b) Use the values of $S_{i_k j}$'s so obtained, in Eq. (20), (21), (23) and (27), and determine the values for the edge conductances $g_{i_k j_m}$'s of N .

- c) The values of edge conductances so obtained will satisfy Eq. (12a) and (12b).

We next turn to (12c). Need for padding network synthesis arises in the realisation of K and Y matrices by n -port networks having no negative conductances. If \bar{N} is to be the padding n -port network of some n -port network containing no negative conductances then all $S_{i,j}$'s should be chosen nonnegative. Further if \bar{N} is connected and contains no negative conductances (i.e., all S_{ij} 's are non-negative), then $(C_2 G C_2^t)$ will be nonsingular and (12c) will be satisfied. So, while selecting values for S_{ij} 's it must be ensured

- i) all S_{ij} 's are non-negative, and
- ii) some S_{ij} 's must be positive so that \bar{N} is connected.

In the foregoing, expressions for edge conductances of N have been obtained, assuming that each connected part of T is a lagrangian tree. This assumption, however, involves no loss of generality, as may be seen from the following.

If any arbitrary connected port configuration T^* and the corresponding potential factors are specified then, the potential factors corresponding to T , in which each connected part is a lagrangian tree, can be easily obtained (Equation 8 in the previous section). If an n -port padding network N having the port configuration T and the newly determined potential factors is generated then the n -port network N^* with the port configuration T^* will also be a padding network with its potential factors as specified. It may be noted N and N^* are port-vertex equivalent n -port networks.

If, however, the port configuration T^* alone is specified, then we should first generate N assuming values for all distinct S_{ij} 's as well as for all $k_{i(k),j}$'s. The n -port network N^* port-vertex equivalent to N and having the prescribed port configuration T^* will be the padding n -port network required.

This completes our discussions on the synthesis of padding n -port networks having any arbitrary connected port configuration and having specified potential factors. The usefulness of these results will be discussed in the next section.

Example 1:

It is required to generate a 3-port padding network having the port configuration shown in Fig. 3a. The potential factors of the required network should be as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} k_{1(1),2} = k_{12} = 0.5; & & k_{1(1),3} = k_{13} = 0.6 \\ k_{2(1),1} = k_{21} = 0.4; & & k_{2(1),3} = k_{23} = 0.5 \\ k_{3(1),1} = k_{31} = 0.3; & & k_{3(1),2} = k_{32} = 0.2. \end{aligned}$$

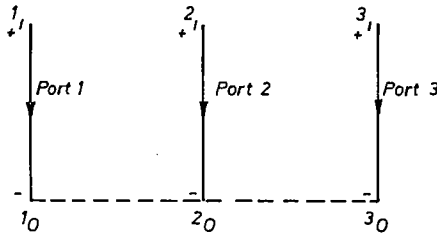


Fig. 3a

Assume $S_{i,j}$'s as follows: $S_{12} = 10, S_{13} = 20; S_{23} = 10$. Using Eq. (16) and (17) $S_{i,k}$'s are obtained as

$$\begin{aligned} S_{1,2} = 4; S_{1,2} = 6; S_{1,3} = 13; S_{1,3} = 7; \\ S_{2,1} = 2; S_{2,1} = 8; S_{2,3} = 7; S_{2,3} = 3; \\ S_{3,1} = 7; S_{3,1} = 13; S_{3,2} = 1; S_{3,2} = 9. \end{aligned}$$

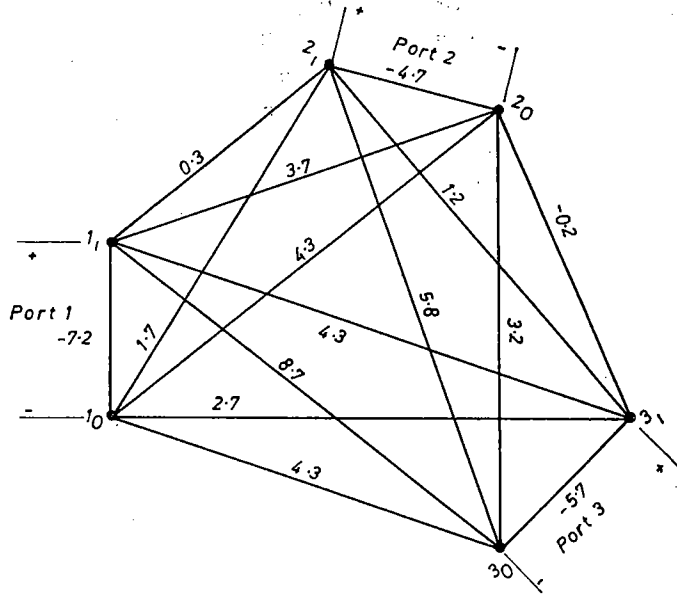


Fig. 3b

For example,

$$\begin{aligned} S_{3,2} &= S_{23}k_{32} + S_{21}(k_{32} - k_{31}) \\ &= 10 \cdot 0.2 + 10 \cdot (-0.1) = 1 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$S_{3,2} = S_{23} - S_{3,2} = 9.$$

Using the values of S_{ikj} 's so obtained in Eq. (20), (21), (23) and (27) we can get the edge conductances of the required 3-port network. For example

$$\begin{aligned} g_{1,2,1} &= S_{2,1}k_{12} + S_{2,3}(k_{12} - k_{13}) \\ &= 2 \cdot 0.5 - 7 \cdot 0.1 = 0.3 \\ g_{1,1,0} &= -S_{1,2}k_{12} - S_{1,3}k_{13} \\ &= -6 \cdot 0.5 - 7 \cdot 0.6 = -7.2. \end{aligned}$$

The required 3-port padding network is shown in Fig. 3b.

IV. Synthesis of K - and Y -Matrices of n -Port Networks

a) Synthesis of the K -Matrix

Synthesis of the potential factor matrix K of an n -port network requires the solution of the following two problems:

- i) Determination of the port configuration T appropriate to K .
- ii) Determination of an n -port network containing no negative conductances and having the port configuration T and the specified K -matrix.

In their solution of the first problem, *Lempel* and *Cederbaum* [5] first assume the port configuration to be in n parts and then obtain the modified cutset matrix, appropriate to the assumed port configuration and the given K -matrix. This modified cutset matrix can be determined either by using Eq. (10) of reference [5] or Eq. (6) of this paper or by inspection of the assumed port configuration and the given K matrix. From the modified cutset matrix so obtained, the port configuration T is determined by the application of a simple procedure, which yields a unique port configuration T for a given K matrix.

To solve the second problem, *Lempel* and *Cederbaum* first determine the modified cutset matrix C , appropriate to the port configuration T and the specified K matrix. Then linear programming technique is applied to obtain a non-negative G , if one exists, satisfying the equation

$$CGC^t = 0.$$

In this section, we give a new necessary and sufficient condition to test the existence of a resistive n -port network containing no negative conductances and having a specified K -matrix and a port configuration T appropriate to the matrix K . We assume, without loss of generality, that each connected part of the port configuration T is a lagrangian tree.

Let the column matrices of $(S_{ikj})_p$'s and $(S_{ij})_p$'s of an n -port network N_p be denoted by \bar{S}_p and S_p respectively. Eq. (16) and (17) can be together written in matrix form as

$$\bar{S}_p = PS_p$$

where each entry of the matrix P is a linear combination of some potential factors. If $(S_{ij})_p$'s are such that N_p is connected then the corresponding S_p will be called non-trivial. It is shown in [6] that

i) if all $(S_{ikj})_p$'s of a padding n -port network N_p are non-negative then a network of departure N_d can be found so that the parallel combination N of N_p and N_d contains no negative conductances;

ii) an n -port network and its padding network have the same K -matrix, and

iii) $(S_{ikj})_p = S_{ikj}$ and $(S_{ij})_p = S_{ij}$.

Theorem (2) then follows.

Theorem 2

Let each connected part of the port configuration T appropriate to a given potential factor matrix K be a lagrangian tree. The matrix K can be realised by a resistive n -port network containing no negative conductances if and only if there exists a non-trivial S such that $S \geq 0$ and $PS \geq 0$.

Following steps may then be used for the synthesis of a K -matrix:

i) Obtain a non-trivial value of S , if it exists, equal to S_a such that $S_a \geq 0$ and $PS_a \geq 0$ [9, 14].

ii) Construct a padding n -port network N_p having the matrix K as its potential factor matrix and such that its \bar{S} matrix is equal to PS_a .

iii) Determine a suitable N_d so that the parallel combination N of N_d and N_p contains no negative conductances.

iv) The network N realizes the matrix K .

We now wish to draw attention to the following.

1. According to the procedure given in [6] to determine a suitable N_d for a given N_p in which all $(S_{i_k j})_p$'s are non-negative

$$(g_{i_k j_m})_d = -(g_{i_k j_m})_p \quad (28)$$

and

$$(g_{i_k j_m})_d = -(g_{i_k j_m})_p + \frac{S_{i_k j} S_{j_m i}}{S_{ij}}, \quad i \neq j. \quad (29)$$

Since

$$g_{i_k j_m} = (g_{i_k j_m})_d + (g_{i_k j_m})_p \quad \text{for all } i \text{ and } j,$$

we get

$$g_{i_k j_m} = 0 \quad (30)$$

and

$$g_{i_k j_m} = \frac{S_{i_k j} S_{j_m i}}{S_{ij}} \quad \text{for all } i \text{ and } j, \quad j \neq i. \quad (31)$$

Thus determination of N requires the evaluation of only $(g_{i_k j_m})$'s using (31).

2. It can be shown using Eq. (16) that for every vertex i_k there exists a j such that $S_{i_k j}$ is non-negative if all S_{ij} 's are non-negative. Thus of the $(n+p)(p-1)$ elements of the vector \bar{S} , $(n+p)$ elements will be non-negative if all S_{ij} 's are non-negative. Hence the total number of constraints involved in the solution of the linear program implied in theorem (2) is only $(n+p)(p-2)$. In contrast the number of constraints used in the procedure given in [5] is $n(p-1)$. It may be noted that for

$$n > p(p-2)$$

the procedure given in this section for K -matrix synthesis involves a smaller number of constraints than used by *Lempel* and *Cederbaum* [5]. Further the present procedure involves $\frac{p(p-1)}{2}$ number of unknowns which is less than the minimum number of unknowns, namely $2p(p-1)$ used in [5].

The new approach given in this section for K -matrix synthesis provides a greater insight into the nature of the K -matrix synthesis problem. In fact following the same approach a simple necessary and sufficient condition has already been obtained for the synthesis of the K -matrices of $(n+2)$ -node n -port networks. Further, since

this procedure essentially requires the synthesis of a suitable padding network having a specified K -matrix, it can be readily used in Y -matrix synthesis as discussed in Section IV (b).

b) *Synthesis of the Y -Matrices of n -port Networks with more than $(n + 1)$ Nodes*

The only approach available for the synthesis of the Y -matrices of n -port resistive networks having more than $(n + 1)$ -nodes is due to *Guillemin* [8]. This approach essentially requires the determination of a suitable padding n -port network N_p for a given network of departure N_a . As a result a number of procedures have been proposed in the past for the generation of padding n -port networks [8, 10, 11, 12]. The procedure for padding network generation given in Section III is yet another contribution in this direction.

A significant feature of this new procedure is that all the parameters used herein namely S_{ij} 's and $k_{i(k),j}$'s can be readily identified with certain quantities of the padding network N_p to be realized. Also these quantities happen to be the same for both N_p and N . The procedures for padding network synthesis given in [8, 10, 11], and [12] do not permit such straightforward identification for all the parameters. This feature of the new procedure is of help in the synthesis of Y matrices of RLC n -port networks. In the synthesis of such networks, it is required to realise a set of real symmetric Y matrices by resistive n -port networks, all having the same modified cutset matrix [3], [8]. If a network N_1 realising one of these matrices is known, then all networks realising the other matrices should have the same modified cutset matrix as N_1 . This leads us to the problem of synthesis of a resistive n -port network having a prescribed Y matrix, a prescribed port configuration and specified potential factors $k_{i(k),j}$'s. To solve this, we may proceed as follows. We assume that each connected part of the port configuration T is a lagrangian tree.

Let $\{g\}_a$ be the column matrix of edge conductances of the network of departure N_a with respect to the given Y and T . Let $\{g\}_p$ be the column matrix of edge conductances of a required padding network N_p . It follows from Eq. (16), (17), (20), (21), (23) and (27) that $\{g\}_p$ can be related to S , the column matrix of S_{ij} 's, as

$$\{g\}_p = QS$$

where each entry of Q is a function of $k_{i(k),j}$'s. Hence Q can be determined from the values specified for $k_{i(k),j}$'s. Since the parallel combination of N_p and N_a should contain no negative conductances, it is required that

$$\{g\}_p = QS \geq -\{g\}_a. \quad (32)$$

If a non-negative and non-trivial value of S equal to S_a satisfying (32) exists then the column matrix $\{g\}$ of conductances of the required n -port network will be given by

$$\{g\} = \{g\}_a + QS_a.$$

Thus it follows from (32) that when T , Y and $k_{i(k),j}$'s are specified, n -port synthesis problem simplifies to one of solving a linear program. This is in contrast to the non-linear equations involved when Y and T alone are specified. Following the approach outlined above, a simple necessary and sufficient condition has already been established for the synthesis of $(n + 2)$ -node n -port networks having prescribed Y and K -matrices [13]. The procedure for padding network synthesis given in [8, 10, 11, 12] will not be of help in the synthesis of Y -matrices of RLC n -port networks.

c) Lower Bound on the Number of Conductances required for the Synthesis of a Y-Matrix

We, next, establish a lower bound on the number of conductances required for the realisation of a real symmetric matrix Y as the shortcircuit conductance matrix of a resistive n -port network containing no negative conductances and having a prescribed port configuration T .

Consider, a resistive n -port network N containing no negative conductances. Let each connected part of the port configuration T of N be a lagrangian tree.

For every port $P_{i(k)}$ of N there exists a j such that

$$k_{i(k),j} \geq k_{i(k),r} \quad r = 1, 2, \dots, p, \quad r \neq i, r \neq j. \quad (33)$$

Since N contains no negative conductances all $S_{i_k j}$'s are non-genative. Then it follows from Eq. (33) and (20) that for every vertex i_k , $k \neq 0$ there exists a j such that

$$(g_{i_k j_m})_p \geq 0 \quad \text{for all } m = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n_j. \quad (34)$$

Let N^* be an n -port network port-vertex equivalent to N . Let the star vertex of each T_i^* be different from that of T_i . Then following the same line of argument as above, we can show that for every vertex i_0 there exists a j such that

$$(g_{i_0 j_m})_p \geq 0 \quad \text{for all } m = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n_j. \quad (35)$$

Since the padding networks of port-vertex equivalent n -port networks are identical, we conclude from (34) and (35) that for every vertex i_k there exists a j such that

$$(g_{i_k j_m})_p \geq 0 \quad \text{for all } m = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n_j. \quad (36)$$

Further, the above result is valid irrespective of the port configuration.

It follows from (36) that in the case of $(n + 2)$ -node n -port networks in which $p = 2$, all the conductances connecting vertices in T_1 to vertices in T_2 are non-negative. This result has already been established in [6].

Let N_d be the network of departure with respect to a given Y matrix and a port configuration T . Let $x_{i(k),j}$ be the total number of positive conductances in N_d connecting vertex i_k to all the vertices in T_j . Let

$$x_{i(k)} = \text{Min} \{x_{i(k),j}, j = 1, 2, \dots, p, j \neq i\}.$$

Theorem (3) then follows from (36).

Theorem 3

The number of conductances required for the realisation of a real symmetric matrix Y as the short-circuit conductance matrix of a resistive n -port network having no negative conductances and having a prescribed port configuration T cannot be less than

$$1/2 \sum_{i=1}^p \sum_{k=0}^{n_i} x_{i(k)}.$$

V. Conclusion

The only approach available for the synthesis of resistive n -port networks having more than $(n + 1)$ -nodes is due to *Guillemin* [8]. *Guillemin's* approach essentially requires the determination of a suitable padding n -port network N_p for a given network of departure N_d so that the parallel combination of N_d and N_p contains no negative conductances. Hence a number of procedures were suggested for generation of padding n -port networks [10, 11, 12]. All these procedures express conductances of a padding network in terms of certain arbitrary parameters. It was pointed out recently that a padding n -port network can be identified as the padding network

of some resistive n -port network containing no negative conductances if and only if all S_{ik} 's are non-negative [6]. In view of this it is enough if we confine our search for a suitable padding n -port network to a restricted class of these networks. Further the potential factors and S_{ij} 's of a network and its padding network are identical. So, it seemed desirable and useful to develop a procedure for generating padding n -port networks in terms of these parameters. A step in this direction was taken in [6]. In Section III of this paper the approach presented in [6] is investigated and formulas for the conductances of a padding network in terms of potential factors and S_{ij} 's are obtained. Since these formulas are in terms of potential factors it is necessary that we know the necessary and sufficient conditions which the potential factors of a resistive n -port network having no negative conductances should satisfy. This necessity explains the interest in the analysis and the synthesis of the K -matrix of n -port networks.

In Section II, an equation relating the modified cutset matrix and the K -matrix is established. This relationship, as pointed out in Section II, is useful in view of the method used in [5] for determining the port structure pertinent to a given K -matrix.

The procedures for K -matrix synthesis given in [5] as well as in Section IV (a), of this paper require the solution of a linear program. However, the present approach involves a smaller number of unknowns and further the number of constraints used is also smaller for all $n > p$ ($p - 2$). Added to these is its usefulness in the Y -matrix synthesis problem.

Though the Y -matrix synthesis problem looks formidable, simultaneous realisation of K and Y matrices is straightforward as shown in Section IV (b). It is shown in [15] that the problem of synthesis of a hybrid matrix reduces to one of realising an n -port network having prescribed K and Y matrices and prescribed S_{ij} 's. Thus hybrid matrix synthesis can be achieved by a straightforward application of the results of this paper.

The lower bound on the number of conductances required for the realisation of a matrix Y might help in throwing some light on Biorci's conjecture.

Abstract

In this paper a new matrix equation relating the modified cutset matrix C and the potential factor matrix K , of an n -port network is first established. A new procedure for the synthesis of padding n -port networks is then given. Based on these results, a new necessary and sufficient condition is then established for the synthesis of the K -matrices of n -port networks. Application of these results in the synthesis of Y -matrices is discussed. A lower bound on the number of conductances required for Y -matrix synthesis is also given.

Zusammenfassung

In dem Artikel wird eine neue Matrixgleichung, die die modifizierte Schnittmengenmatrix C und die Knotenspannungsmatrix K eines n -Tor-Netzwerkes miteinander verknüpft, vorgestellt. Ein neuer Algorithmus für die Synthese größerer n -Tor-Netzwerke wird gegeben. Mit diesen Ergebnissen wird eine neue hinreichende und notwendige Bedingung für die Synthese der K -Matrizen von n -Tor-Netzwerken abgeleitet. Die Ergebnisse werden bei der Synthese von Y -Matrizen angewendet und diskutiert.

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