



Review: Basic DC Circuit Analysis Tools

EGR 220, Chapters 1 – 4
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Our Circuit Analysis Toolbox

- Resistor networks & simple circuits
 - Nodes and branches
 - Series and parallel combinations
 - Equivalent resistance
- Circuit laws
 - Ohm's law
 - Kirchhoff: KVL and KCL
- Techniques and theorems
 - Current divider and voltage divider rules
 - Mesh and nodal analysis
 - Linearity & Superposition



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Lab Memo Feedback

- Engineering/Scientific experiments
 - Text of the lab is limited to 1 page
 - Include data, circuit diagrams and calculations as short, ½ page appendices (for example)
- Final statement
 - **Go beyond** what is in the lab handout
 - Have *your own* thoughts/questions/observations, etc. to demonstrate your thinking and learning.



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General Method for Circuit Analysis

- Identify knowns and unknowns and what is being sought
- *Reduce Complexity* – simplify circuit as needed
 - R_{eq} (all or only part of circuit)
 - Superposition (Analyze all sub-circuits)
- **Redraw circuit at each analysis step**, as needed
- Solve for desired values
 - Write down the law, theorem, or rule(s) you are using
 - Might use current and/or voltage dividers with R_{eq}
 - Nodal and Mesh analysis (KCL and KVL) to obtain simultaneous equations and solve

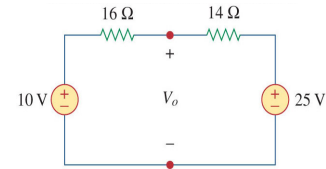


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V, I, R_{eq} Practice

- Draw a simple resistor network for yourself
- Ask questions about changes in V, I, R_{eq} as you add or remove resistors & open or short branches

HW 1 problem 8: Find V₀



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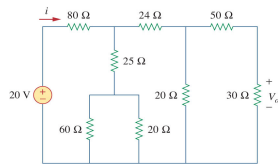
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HW 2 problem 1



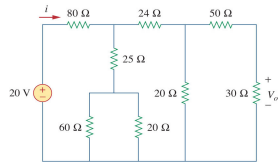
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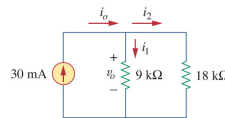
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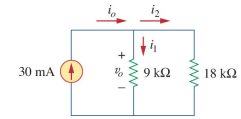
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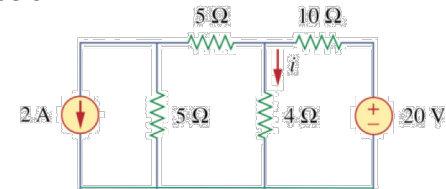


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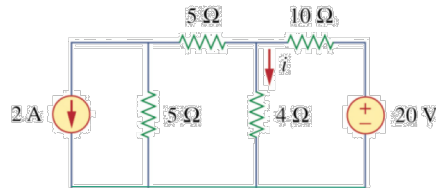
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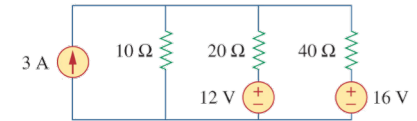


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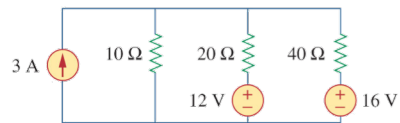
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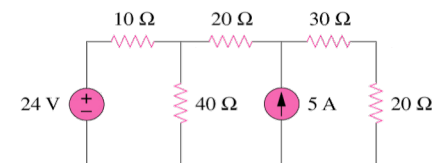
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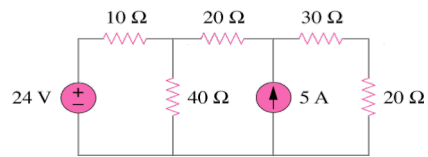
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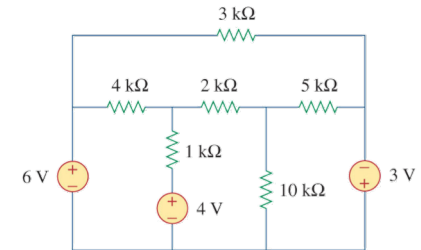
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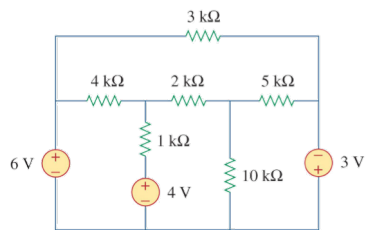
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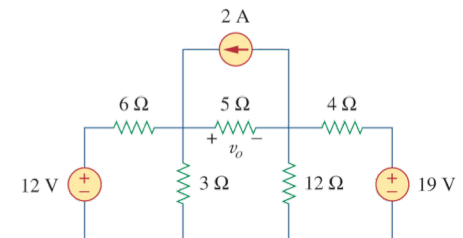
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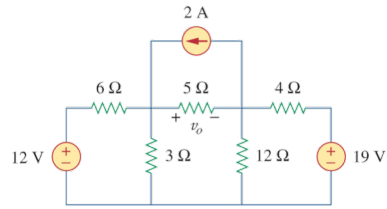
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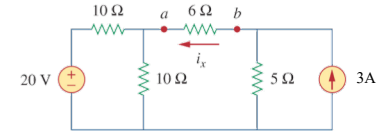


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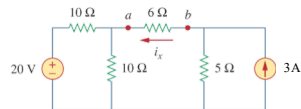
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