

BLM1612 - Circuit Theory

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Linearity
Superposition
Thévenin's and Norton Theorems
Mesh Analysis
Maximum Power Transfer Theorem

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Objectives of Lecture

- Introduce the property of linearity
- Introduce the superposition principle
- Provide step-by-step instructions to apply superposition when calculating voltages and currents in a circuit that contains two or more power sources.
- Describe the differences between ideal and real voltage and current sources
 - Demonstrate how a real voltage source and real current source are equivalent so one source can be replaced by the other in a circuit.
- State Thévenin's and Norton Theorems.
 - Demonstrate how Thévenin's and Norton theorems can be used to simplify a circuit to one that contains three components: a power source, equivalent resistor, and load.
- Understand Maximum Power Transfer Theorem

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Linearity

A Requirement for Superposition

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Linear Systems

- The **homogeneity property** requires that if the **input** (also called the **excitation**) is multiplied by a constant, then the **output** (also called the **response**) is multiplied by the same constant.

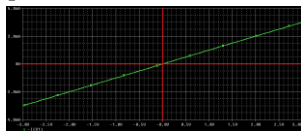
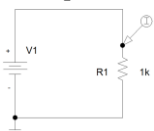


- If x is doubled,
 $y = f(2x) = 2f(x)$
- If x is multiplied by any constant, a
 $y = f(ax) = af(x)$
- then the system is linear.

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Linearity

- Ohm's Law is a linear function.
 $V = I \times R$
- If the current is increased by a constant k , then the voltage increases correspondingly by k ;
 $k \times I \times R = k \times V$
- Example: DC Sweep of V1



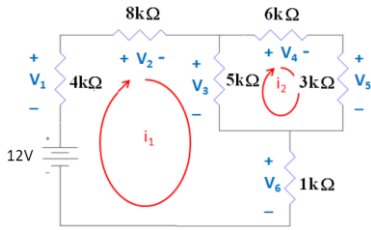
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Linearity

- The **additivity property** requires that the **response** to a sum of **inputs** is the sum of the **responses** to each **input** applied separately.
- If $x = x_1 + x_2$
 $y = f(x) = f(x_1 + x_2) = f(x_1) + f(x_2)$
- then the system is linear.
- Using the voltage-current relationship of a resistor, if
 $V_1 = I_1 \times R$ and $V_2 = I_2 \times R$
- then applying $(I_1 + I_2)$ gives
 $V = (I_1 + I_2) \times R = I_1 \times R + I_2 \times R = V_1 + V_2$

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Mesh Analysis is Based Upon Linearity



$$V_3 = 5k\Omega (i_1 - i_2) = 5k\Omega i_1 - 5k\Omega i_2$$

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Nonlinear Systems and Parameters

- In a linear resistive circuit power is $P = IV$
 - Is power linear with respect to current and voltage?
 - Power is nonlinear with respect to current and voltage.
 - As either voltage or current increase by a factor of a , P increases by a factor of a^2 .
- $$P = IV = I^2R = V^2/R$$

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Linear Components

- Resistors
- Inductors
- Capacitors
- Independent voltage and current sources
- Certain dependent voltage and current sources that are linearly controlled

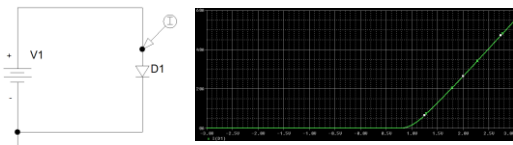
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Nonlinear Components

- Diodes including Light Emitting Diodes
- Transistors
- SCRs
- Magnetic switches
- Nonlinearly controlled dependent voltage and current sources

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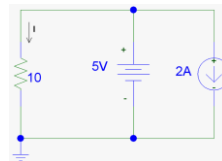
Diode Characteristics



- An equation for a line can not be used to represent the current as a function of voltage.

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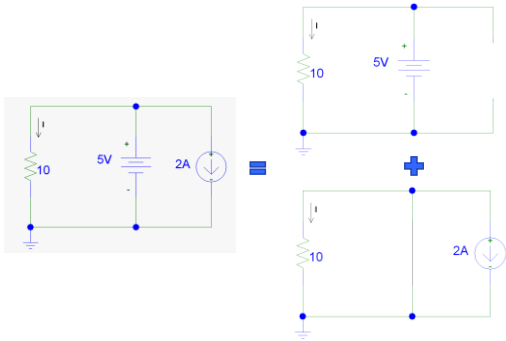
Example 01...



- Find I
 - This circuit can be separated into two different circuits
 - one containing the 5V source
 - the other containing the 2A source.
- When you remove a voltage source from the circuit, it should be replaced by a short circuit.
- When you remove a current source from the circuit, it should be replaced by an open circuit.

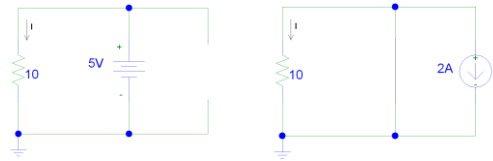
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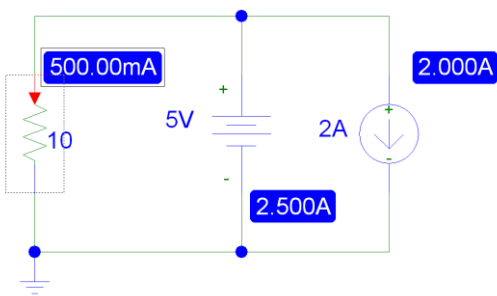
$$I_1 = 5V/10\Omega = 0.5A$$

$$I_2 = 0A$$

$$I = I_1 + I_2 = 0.5 + 0 = 0.5A$$

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...Example 01



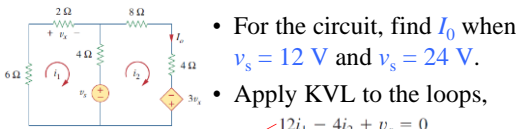
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Summary

- The property of linearity can be applied when there are only linear components in the circuit.
 - Resistors, capacitors, inductors
 - Linear voltage and current supplies
- The property is used to separate contributions of several sources in a circuit to the voltages across and the currents through components in the circuit.
 - Superposition

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Example 2



- For the circuit, find I_0 when $v_s = 12\text{ V}$ and $v_s = 24\text{ V}$.
- Apply KVL to the loops,

$$12i_1 - 4i_2 + v_s = 0$$

$$-4i_1 + 16i_2 - 3v_x - v_s = 0$$

$$-10i_1 + 16i_2 - v_s = 0$$

$$v_x = 2i_1$$

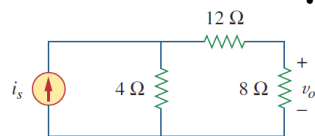
$$2i_1 + 12i_2 = 0 \Rightarrow i_1 = -6i_2$$

$$-76i_2 + v_s = 0 \Rightarrow i_2 = \frac{v_s}{76}$$

$$\text{When } v_s = 12\text{ V}, I_o = i_2 = \frac{12}{76}\text{ A} \quad \text{When } v_s = 24\text{ V}, I_o = i_2 = \frac{24}{76}\text{ A}$$

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Example 3

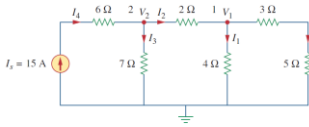


- For the circuit, find v_0 when $i_s = 30\text{ A}$ and $i_s = 45\text{ A}$.

Answer: 40 V, 60 V.

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Example 4



- Assume $I_0 = 1$ A and use linearity to find the actual value of I_0 in the circuit.

If $I_0 = 1$ A, then $V_1 = (3 + 5)I_0 = 8$ V and $I_1 = V_1/4 = 2$ A. Applying KCL at node 1 gives

$$I_2 = I_1 + I_0 = 3 \text{ A}$$

$$V_2 = V_1 + 2I_2 = 8 + 6 = 14 \text{ V}, \quad I_3 = \frac{V_2}{7} = 2 \text{ A}$$

Applying KCL at node 2 gives

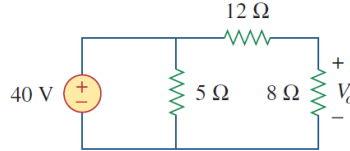
$$I_4 = I_3 + I_2 = 5 \text{ A}$$

Therefore, $I_4 = 5$ A. This shows that assuming $I_0 = 1$ gives $I_4 = 5$ A, the actual source current of 15 A will give $I_0 = 3$ A as the actual value.

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Example 5

- For the circuit, assume that $V_0 = 1$ V and use linearity to calculate the actual value of V_0 .



Answer: 16 V.

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Superposition

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Superposition

- The voltage across a component is the algebraic sum of the voltages across the component due to each independent source acting upon it.
- The current flowing through across a component is the algebraic sum of the current flowing through component due to each independent source acting upon it.

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Usage

- Separating the contributions of the DC and AC independent sources.

Example:

To determine the performance of an amplifier, we calculate the DC voltages and currents to establish the bias point.

The AC signal is usually what will be amplified.

A generic amplifier has a constant DC operating point, but the AC signal's amplitude and frequency will vary depending on the application.

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Steps

- Turn off all independent sources except one.
Voltage sources should be replaced with short circuits
Current sources should be replaced with open circuits
- Keep all dependent sources **on**
- Solve for the voltages and currents in the new circuit.
- Turn off the active independent source and turn on one of the other independent sources.
- Repeat Step 3.
- Continue until you have turned on each of the independent sources in the original circuit.
- To find the total voltage across each component and the total current flowing, add the contributions from each of the voltages and currents found in Step 3.

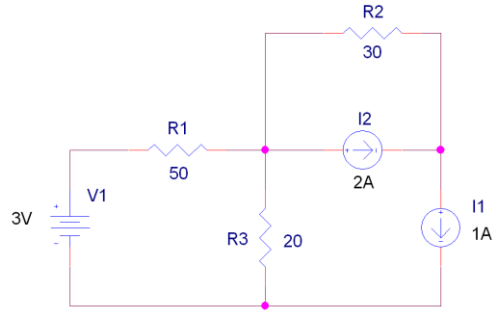
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A Requirement for Superposition

- Once you select a direction for current to flow through a component and the direction of the + / - signs for the voltage across a component, you **must** use the same directions when calculating these values in all of the subsequent circuits.

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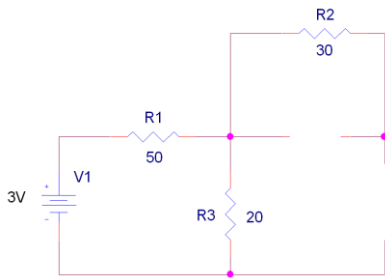
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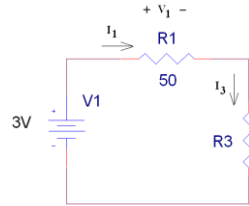
#1: Replace I1 and I2 with Open Circuits



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Since R2 is not connected to the rest of the circuit on both ends of the resistor, it can be deleted from the new circuit.

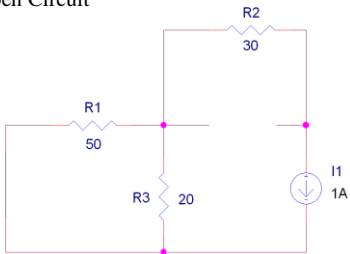


$$\begin{aligned}
 I_1 &= I_3 \\
 R_{eq} &= R_1 + R_3 = 70\Omega \\
 I_1 &= 3V/R_{eq} = 42.9\text{mA} \\
 V_1 &= [R_3/R_{eq}]3V \text{ (or } I_1 R_3) \\
 &= [50\Omega/70\Omega]3V = 2.14V \\
 V_3 &= [R_3/R_{eq}]3V \text{ (or } I_1 R_3) \\
 &= [20\Omega/70\Omega]3V = 0.857V
 \end{aligned}$$

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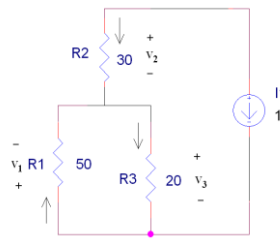
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Redrawing Circuit #2

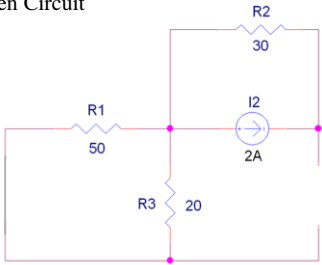


$$\begin{aligned}
 V_1 &= -V_3 \\
 I_1 + I_2 &= I_3 \\
 I_2 &= -1A \\
 R_{eq} &= R_2 + R_1 || R_3 \\
 R_{eq} &= 44.3\Omega \\
 V_2 + V_3 &= R_{eq} I_2 = -44.3V \\
 V_3 &= [R_1 || R_3 / R_{eq}](-44.3V) \\
 V_3 &= -14.3V \\
 I_3 &= -14.3V/20\Omega = -0.714A \\
 V_1 &= 14.3V \\
 V_2 &= -30V \\
 I_1 &= +0.286A
 \end{aligned}$$

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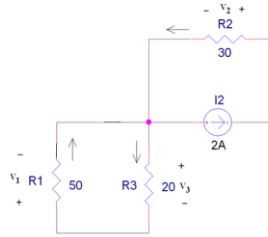
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R2 and I2 are not in parallel with R3



$$\begin{aligned} I_1 + I_2 &= I_3 + 2A \\ I_2 &= 2A; I_1 = I_3 \\ V_2 &= I_2 R_2 = 2A(30\Omega) = 60V \\ 0 &= V_1 + V_3 = R_1 I_1 + R_3 I_1 = -R_3 I_3 \\ I_1 &= I_3 = 0A \\ V_1 &= 0V \\ V_3 &= 0V \end{aligned}$$

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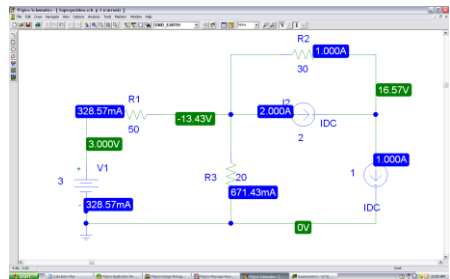
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Currents and Voltages in Original Circuit

	#1	#2	#3	Total
I_1	+42.9mA	+0.286A	0A	+0.329A
I_2	0	-1A	2A	+1A
I_3	+42.9mA	-0.714A	0A	-0.671A
V_1	+2.14V	+14.3V	0V	16.4V
V_2	0V	-30V	+60V	+30.0V
V_3	0.857V	-14.3V	0V	-13.4V

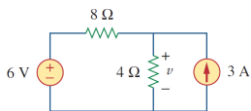
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Pspice Simulation

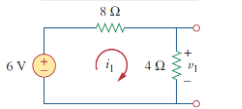


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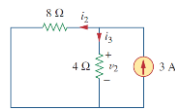
Example 7



• Use the superposition theorem to find v in the circuit.



$$v_1 = \frac{4}{4+8}(6) = 2V$$

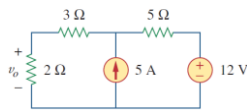


$$\begin{aligned} i_3 &= \frac{8}{4+8}(3) = 2A \\ v_2 &= 4i_3 = 8V \end{aligned}$$

$$v = v_1 + v_2 = 2 + 8 = 10V$$

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Example 8

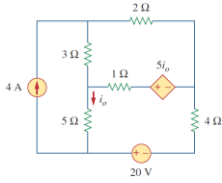


• Using the superposition theorem, find v_0 in the circuit.

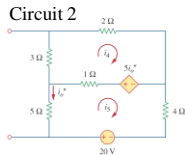
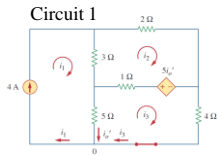
Answer: 7.4 V.

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Example 9...



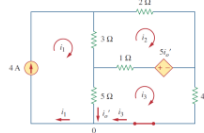
- Using the superposition theorem, find i_o in the circuit.
- The circuit involves a dependent source, which must be left intact. We let $i_o = i'_o + i''_o$
- According to superposition theorem:



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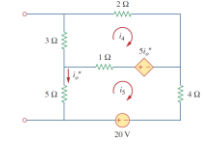
...Example 9

- Circuit 1



$$\begin{aligned} i_1 &= 4 \text{ A} \\ -3i_1 + 6i_2 - 1i_3 - 5i'_o &= 0 \\ -5i_1 - 1i_2 + 10i_3 + 5i'_o &= 0 \\ i_3 &= i_1 - i'_o = 4 - i'_o \\ 3i_2 - 2i'_o &= 8 & i'_o &= \frac{52}{17} \text{ A} \\ i_2 + 5i'_o &= 20 \end{aligned}$$

- Circuit 2



$$\begin{aligned} 6i_4 - i_5 - 5i''_o &= 0 & i_5 &= -i''_o \\ -i_4 + 10i_5 - 20 + 5i''_o &= 0 \\ 6i_4 - 4i''_o &= 0 & i''_o &= -\frac{60}{17} \text{ A} \\ i_4 + 5i''_o &= -20 \\ i_o = i'_o + i''_o &= \frac{-8}{17} = -0.4706 \text{ A} \end{aligned}$$

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Source Transformation

Basis for Thevenin and Norton Equivalent Circuits

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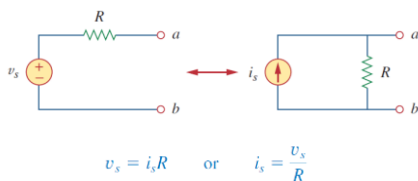
Source Transformation

- We have noticed that **series-parallel combination** and **wye-delta transformation** help simplify circuits.
- Source transformation** is another tool for simplifying circuits.
- Basic to these tools is the concept of **equivalence**.
 - an equivalent circuit is one whose **v-i characteristics are identical with the original circuit**.

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Source Transformation

- A **source transformation** is the process of replacing a voltage source v_s in series with a resistor R by a current source i_s in parallel with a resistor R , or vice versa.

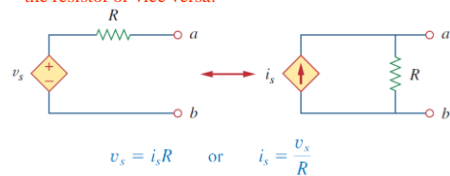


$$v_s = i_s R \quad \text{or} \quad i_s = \frac{v_s}{R}$$

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Source Transformation

- Source transformation also applies to dependent sources, provided we carefully handle the dependent variable.
 - A **dependent voltage source in series with a resistor can be transformed to a dependent current source in parallel with the resistor or vice versa**.



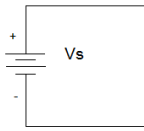
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Voltage Sources

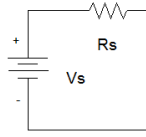
Ideal

- An ideal voltage source has no internal resistance.
 - It can produce as much current as is needed to provide power to the rest of the circuit.



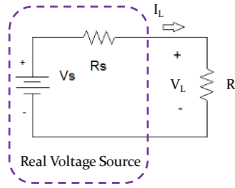
Real

- A real voltage source is modeled as an ideal voltage source in series with a resistor.
 - There are limits to the current and output voltage from the source.



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Limitations of Real Voltage Source



$$V_L = \frac{R_L}{R_L + R_S} V_S$$

$$I_L = V_L / R_L$$

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Voltage Source Limitations

$$R_L = 0\Omega$$

$$V_L = 0V$$

$$I_{L\max} = V_S / R_S$$

$$P_L = 0W$$

$$R_L = \infty\Omega$$

$$V_L = V_S$$

$$I_{L\min} = 0A$$

$$P_L = 0W$$

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Current Sources

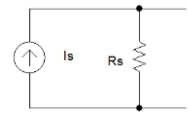
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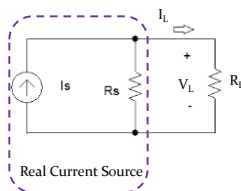
- A real current source is modeled as an ideal current source in parallel with a resistor.
 - Limitations on the maximum voltage and current.



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Limitations of Real Current Source

- Appear as the resistance of the load on the source approaches R_S .



$$I_L = \frac{R_S}{R_L + R_S} I_S$$

$$V_L = I_L R_L$$

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Current Source Limitations

$$R_L = 0\Omega$$

$$I_L = I_S$$

$$V_{L\min} = 0V$$

$$P_L = 0W$$

$$R_L = \infty\Omega$$

$$I_L = 0A$$

$$V_{L\max} = I_S R_S$$

$$P_L = 0W$$

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Electronic Response

- For a real voltage source, what is the voltage across the load resistor when $R_s = R_L$?
- For a real current source, what is the current through the load resistor when $R_s = R_L$?

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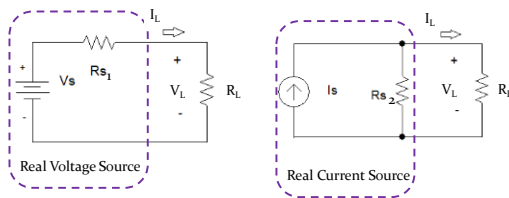
Equivalence

- An equivalent circuit is one in which the $i-v$ characteristics are identical to that of the original circuit.
 - The magnitude and sign of the voltage and current at a particular measurement point are the same in the two circuits.

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Equivalent Circuits

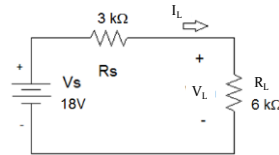
- R_L in both circuits must be identical.
 I_L and V_L in the left circuit = I_L and V_L on the left



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Example 10...

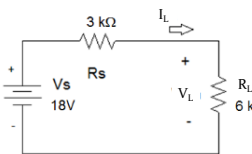
- Find an equivalent current source to replace V_s and R_s in the circuit below.



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...Example 10...

- Find I_L and V_L .



$$V_L = \frac{R_L}{R_L + R_s} V_s$$

$$V_L = \frac{6k\Omega}{6k\Omega + 3k\Omega} 18V = 12V$$

$$I_L = V_L / R_L$$

$$I_L = 12V / 6k\Omega = 2mA$$

$$P_{V_s} = P_L + P_{R_s}$$

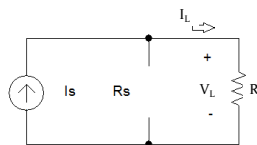
$$P_{V_s} = 12V(2mA) + (18V - 12V)(2mA)$$

$$P_{V_s} = 36mW$$

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...Example 10...

- There are an infinite number of equivalent circuits that contain a current source.
 - If, in parallel with the current source, $R_s = \infty \Omega$
 - R_s is an open circuit, which means that the current source is ideal.



$$I_s = I_L$$

$$V_L = 2mA(6k\Omega) = 12V$$

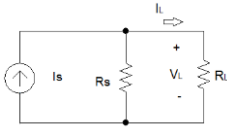
$$P_L = V_L I_L = 12V(2mA) = 24mW$$

$$P_L = P_{I_s} = 24mW$$

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...Example 10...

If $R_S = 20\text{ k}\Omega$



$$I_S = \frac{R_L + R_S}{R_S} I_L$$

$$I_S = \frac{6\text{k}\Omega + 20\text{k}\Omega}{20\text{k}\Omega} 2\text{mA} = 2.67\text{mA}$$

$$V_L = V_{I_S} = I_L R_L = 12\text{V}$$

$$P_{I_S} = P_L + P_{R_S} = V_L I_L + V_{R_S} I_{R_S}$$

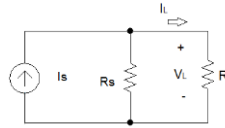
$$P_{I_S} = 12\text{V}(2\text{mA}) + 12\text{V}(2.67\text{mA} - 2\text{mA})$$

$$P_{I_S} = 32.0\text{mW}$$

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...Example 10...

If $R_S = 6\text{ k}\Omega$



$$I_S = \frac{R_L + R_S}{R_S} I_L$$

$$I_S = \frac{6\text{k}\Omega + 6\text{k}\Omega}{6\text{k}\Omega} 2\text{mA} = 4\text{mA}$$

$$V_L = V_{I_S} = I_L R_L = 12\text{V}$$

$$P_{I_S} = P_L + P_{R_S} = V_L I_L + V_{R_S} I_{R_S}$$

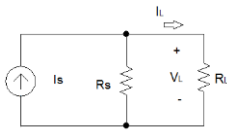
$$P_{I_S} = 12\text{V}(2\text{mA}) + 12\text{V}(4\text{mA} - 2\text{mA})$$

$$P_{I_S} = 48\text{mW}$$

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...Example 10...

If $R_S = 3\text{ k}\Omega$



$$I_S = \frac{R_L + R_S}{R_S} I_L$$

$$I_S = \frac{6\text{k}\Omega + 3\text{k}\Omega}{3\text{k}\Omega} 2\text{mA} = 6\text{mA}$$

$$V_L = V_{I_S} = I_L R_L = 12\text{V}$$

$$P_{I_S} = P_L + P_{R_S} = V_L I_L + V_{R_S} I_{R_S}$$

$$P_{I_S} = 12\text{V}(2\text{mA}) + 12\text{V}(6\text{mA} - 2\text{mA})$$

$$P_{I_S} = 72\text{mW}$$

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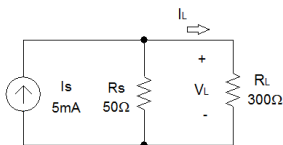
...Example 10

- Current and power that the ideal current source needs to generate in order to supply the same current and voltage to a load increases as R_S decreases.
 - Note: R_S can not be equal to $0\ \Omega$.
- The power dissipated by R_L is 50% of the power generated by the ideal current source
 - when $R_S = R_L$.

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Example 11...

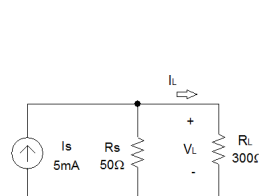
- Find an equivalent voltage source to replace I_S and R_S in the circuit below.



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...Example 11...

- Find I_L and V_L .



$$I_L = \frac{50\Omega}{300\Omega + 50\Omega} I_S$$

$$I_L = 0.714\text{mA}$$

$$V_L = I_L R_L$$

$$V_L = 0.714\text{mA}(300\Omega) = 0.214\text{V}$$

$$P_{V_S} = P_L + P_{R_S}$$

$$P_{V_S} = 0.214\text{V}(0.714\text{mA})$$

$$+ 0.214\text{V}(5\text{mA} - 0.714\text{mA})$$

$$P_{V_S} = 1.07\text{mW}$$

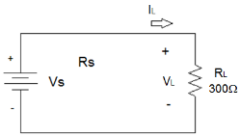
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...Example 11...

- There are an infinite number of equivalent circuits that contain a voltage source.

– If, in series with the voltage source, $R_s = 0 \Omega$

- R_s is a short circuit, which means that the voltage source is ideal.



$$V_s = V_L = 0.214V$$

$$I_L = V_L / R_L = 0.214V / 300\Omega$$

$$I_L = 0.714mA$$

$$P_L = V_L I_L = 0.214V(0.714mA)$$

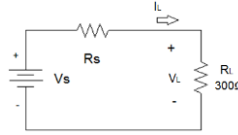
$$P_L = 0.153mW$$

$$P_L = P_{V_s} = 0.153mW$$

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...Example 11...

If $R_s = 50 \Omega$



$$V_s = \frac{R_L + R_s}{R_L} V_L$$

$$V_s = \frac{300\Omega + 50\Omega}{300\Omega} 0.214V = 0.25V$$

$$I_L = I_{V_s} = V_L / R_L = 0.714mA$$

$$P_{V_s} = P_L + P_{R_s} = V_L I_L + V_{R_s} I_{R_s}$$

$$P_{V_s} = 0.214V(0.714A)$$

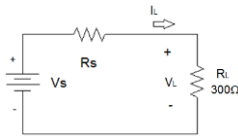
$$+ (0.25V - 0.214V)(0.714mA)$$

$$P_{V_s} = 0.179mW$$

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...Example 11...

If $R_s = 300 \Omega$



$$V_s = \frac{R_L + R_s}{R_L} V_L$$

$$V_s = \frac{300\Omega + 300\Omega}{300\Omega} 0.214V = 0.418V$$

$$I_L = I_{V_s} = V_L / R_L = 0.714mA$$

$$P_{V_s} = P_L + P_{R_s} = V_L I_L + V_{R_s} I_{R_s}$$

$$P_{V_s} = 0.214V(0.714A)$$

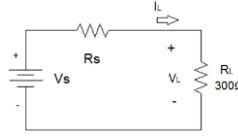
$$+ (0.418V - 0.214V)(0.714mA)$$

$$P_{V_s} = 0.306mW$$

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...Example 11...

If $R_s = 1 \text{ k}\Omega$



$$V_s = \frac{R_L + R_s}{R_L} V_L$$

$$V_s = \frac{300\Omega + 1k\Omega}{300\Omega} 0.214V = 0.927V$$

$$I_L = I_{V_s} = V_L / R_L = 0.714mA$$

$$P_{V_s} = P_L + P_{R_s} = V_L I_L + V_{R_s} I_{R_s}$$

$$P_{V_s} = 0.214V(0.714A)$$

$$+ (0.927V - 0.214V)(0.714mA)$$

$$P_{V_s} = 0.662mW$$

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...Example 11

- Voltage and power that the ideal voltage source needs to supply to the circuit increases as R_s increases.
- Note: R_s can not be equal to $\infty \Omega$.
- The power dissipated by R_L is 50% of the power generated by the ideal voltage source
- when $R_s = R_L$.

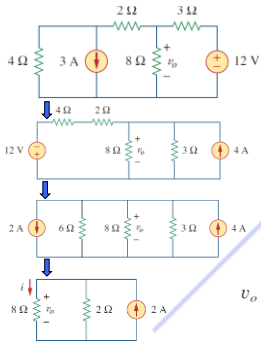
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Summary

- An equivalent circuit is a circuit where the voltage across and the current flowing through a load R_L are identical.
 - As the shunt resistor in a real current source decreases in magnitude, the current produced by the ideal current source must increase.
 - As the series resistor in a real voltage source increases in magnitude, the voltage produced by the ideal voltage source must increase.
 - The power dissipated by R_L is 50% of the power produced by the ideal source when $R_L = R_s$.

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Example 12



- Use source transformation to find v_o in the circuit.

– Use current division

$$i = \frac{2}{2 + 8}(2) = 0.4 \text{ A}$$

$$v_o = 8i = 8(0.4) = 3.2 \text{ V}$$

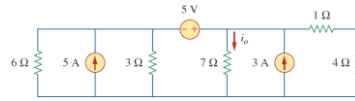
– or

$$v_o = (8 \parallel 2)(2 \text{ A}) = \frac{8 \times 2}{10}(2) = 3.2 \text{ V}$$

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Example 13

- Use source transformation to find i_o in the circuit. **Answer:** 1.78 A.

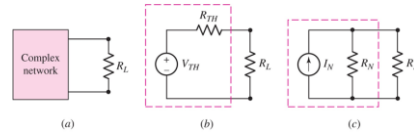


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Thévenin and Norton Equivalents

Thévenin & Norton Equivalents

- L. C. Thévenin -- French engineer; published his theorem in 1883
- E. L. Norton -- scientist with Bell Telephone Laboratories

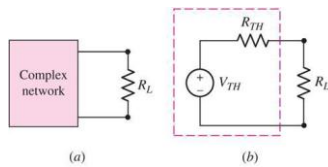


- Any linear circuit network at two terminals may be replaced with a Thévenin equivalent (V_{TH} , R_{TH}) or a Norton equivalent (I_N , R_N).
- The equivalent will behave the same as the original network (v_L , i_L) with respect to those two terminals.

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Thévenin Equivalent, Method 1

- Determining V_{TH} and R_{TH} with respect to two terminals:

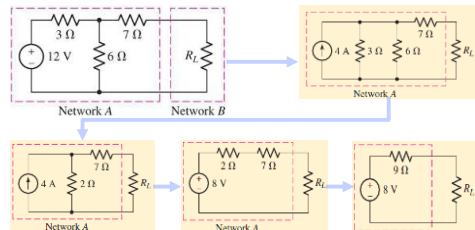


- Use repeated source transformations to arrive at a single voltage source in series with a single series resistance.

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Example 14

- Determine the Thévenin equivalent of Network A, and compute the power delivered to the load resistor R_L .

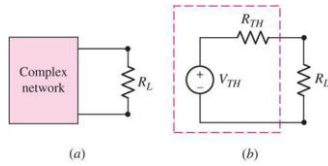


- Power delivered to the load $P_L = \left(\frac{8}{9 + R_L}\right)^2 R_L$

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Thévenin Equivalent, Method 2

- Determining V_{TH} and R_{TH} with respect to two terminals:

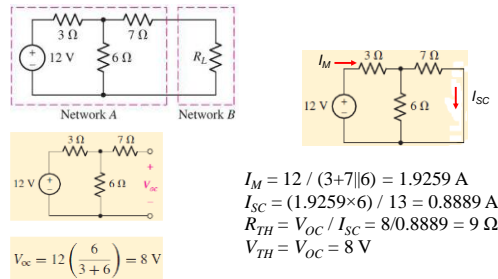


- Open the load and determine the open-circuit voltage (V_{OC}), then short the load and determine the short-circuit current (I_{SC}).

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Example 15

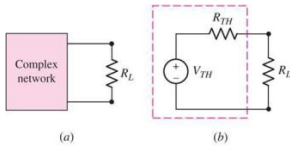
- Determine the Thévenin equivalent of **Network A** using open-circuit voltage and short-circuit current.



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Thévenin Equivalent, Method 3

- Determining V_{TH} and R_{TH} with respect to two terminals:



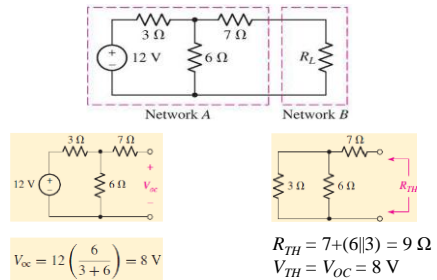
- Open the load and determine the open-circuit voltage (V_{OC}), then deactivate all independent sources (short-circuit the V sources and open-circuit the I sources) and find the equivalent resistance (R_{eq}).

$$V_{TH} = V_{OC} \quad R_{TH} = R_{eq}$$

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Example 16

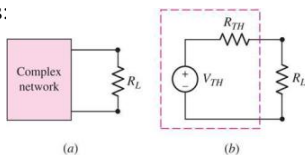
- Determine the Thévenin equivalent of **Network A** by deactivating the independent sources.



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Thévenin Equivalent, Method 4

- Determining V_{TH} and R_{TH} with respect to two terminals:



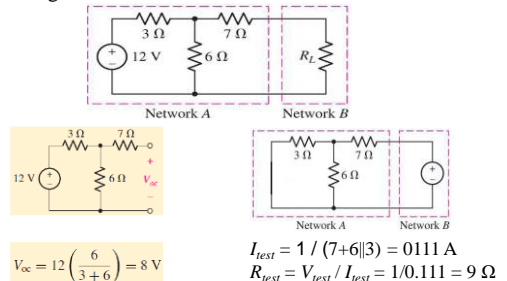
- Open the load and determine the open-circuit voltage (V_{OC}), then deactivate all independent sources and apply a test source.

$$V_{TH} = V_{OC} \quad R_{TH} = V_{test} / I_{test}$$
- The only solution method for finding V_{TH} and R_{TH} (of the 4 presented in the prior slides) that is guaranteed to work when the circuit includes dependent sources is the test-source method.

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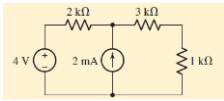
Example 17

- Determine the Thévenin equivalent of **Network A** by using a test source.

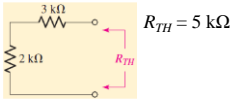


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Example 18



- Determine the Thévenin and Norton equivalent circuits for the network faced by the 1 kΩ resistor.



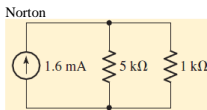
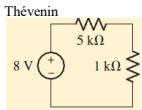
$$R_{TH} = 5 \text{ k}\Omega$$

Using superposition:

$$V_{oc/4V} = 4 \text{ V}$$

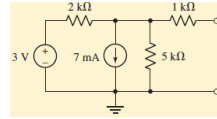
$$V_{oc/2mA} = 0.002 \times 2000 = 4 \text{ V}$$

$$V_{oc} = V_{oc/4V} + V_{oc/2mA} = 4 + 4 = 8 \text{ V}$$



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Example 19

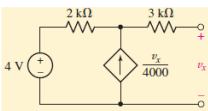


- Determine the Thévenin and Norton equivalents of the circuit.

Ans: $-7.857 \text{ V}, -3.235 \text{ mA}, 2.429 \text{ k}\Omega$.

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Example 20



- Determine the Thévenin equivalent of this network at the open-circuit terminals.

- To find V_{oc} we note that $v_x = V_{oc}$ and that the dependent source current must pass through the 2 k resistor, since no current can flow through the 3 k resistor.

$$-4 + 2 \times 10^3 \left(-\frac{v_x}{4000} \right) + 3 \times 10^3 (0) + v_x = 0 \quad v_x = 8 \text{ V} = V_{oc}$$

- The dependent source prevents us from determining R_{TH} directly for the inactive network through resistance combination; we therefore seek I_{sc} .

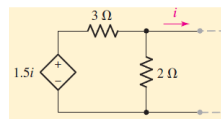
- Upon short-circuiting the output terminals, it is apparent that $v_x = 0$ and the dependent current source is not active.

$$I_{sc} = 4 / (5 \times 10^3) = 0.8 \text{ mA}$$

$$R_{TH} = \frac{V_{oc}}{I_{sc}} = \frac{8}{0.8 \times 10^{-3}} = 10 \text{ k}\Omega$$

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Example 21

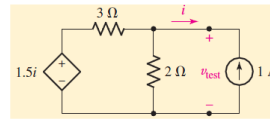


- Find the Thévenin equivalent of this circuit.

- The rightmost terminals are already open-circuited, hence $i = 0$.

- Consequently, the dependent source is inactive, so $V_{oc} = 0$.

- We apply a 1 A source externally, measure the voltage V_{test} $R_{TH} = v_{test}/1$

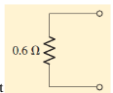


$$\frac{v_{test} - 1.5(-1)}{3} + \frac{v_{test}}{2} = 1$$

$$v_{test} = 0.6 \text{ V}$$

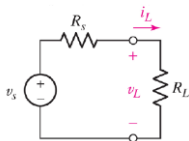
$$R_{TH} = 0.6 \Omega$$

Thévenin equivalent



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Power from a Practical Source

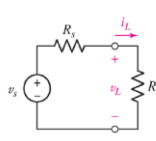


- The power delivered to a load from a practical voltage source is

$$p_L = i_L \cdot v_L = \frac{v_L^2}{R_L} = \frac{1}{R_L} \left[v_s \cdot \frac{R_L}{R_s + R_L} \right]^2 = \frac{v_s^2 R_L}{(R_s + R_L)^2}$$

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Maximum Power Transfer



The maximum value of p_L vs. R_L occurs when $\frac{d}{dR_L} p_L = 0$

$$\frac{d}{dR_L} p_L = \frac{(R_s + R_L)^2 v_s^2 - 2v_s^2 R_L (R_s + R_L)}{(R_s + R_L)^4}$$

$$p_L = \frac{v_s^2 R_L}{(R_s + R_L)^2}$$

if $R_L = R_s$, $\frac{d}{dR_L} p_L = 0$

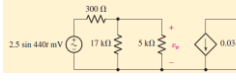
Maximum power is delivered to the load when the load resistance is equal to the Thévenin resistance of the source.

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Example 22

- The circuit shown in below is a model for the common-emitter bipolar junction transistor amplifier.

– Choose a load resistance so that maximum power is transferred to it from the amplifier, and calculate the actual power absorbed.



$$R_{TH} = 1 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$v_{oc} = -0.03v_x (1000) = -30v_x$$

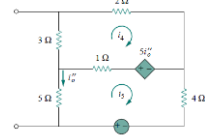
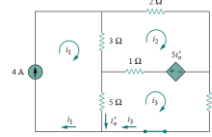
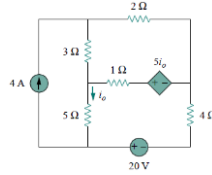
$$v_x = (2.5 \times 10^{-3} \sin 440t) \left(\frac{3864}{300 + 3864} \right)$$

$$P_{max} = \frac{v_{TH}^2}{4R_{TH}} = 1.211 \sin^2 440t \mu\text{W}$$

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Example 23

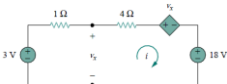
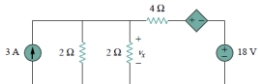
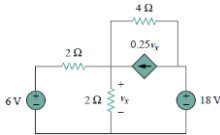
- Find i_0 in the circuit using superposition.



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Example 24

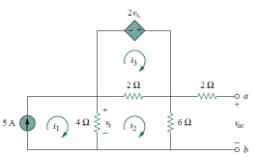
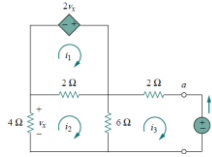
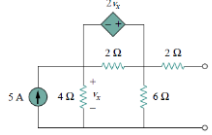
- Find v_x in the circuit using source transformation.



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Example 25

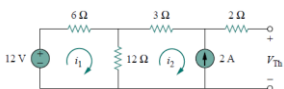
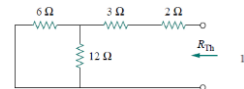
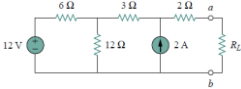
- Find the Thévenin equivalent of this circuit.



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Example 25

- Find the value of R_L for maximum power transfer in the circuit.
- Find the maximum power.



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