

ECE 35 Homework #5 (Spring 2023, Taur)

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P 5.4-4 Find the Thévenin equivalent circuit for the circuit shown in Figure P 5.4-4.

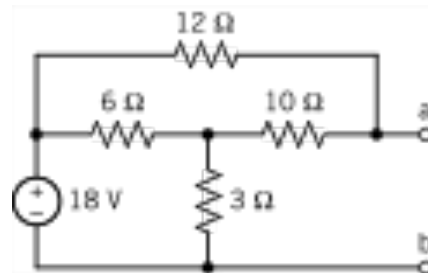
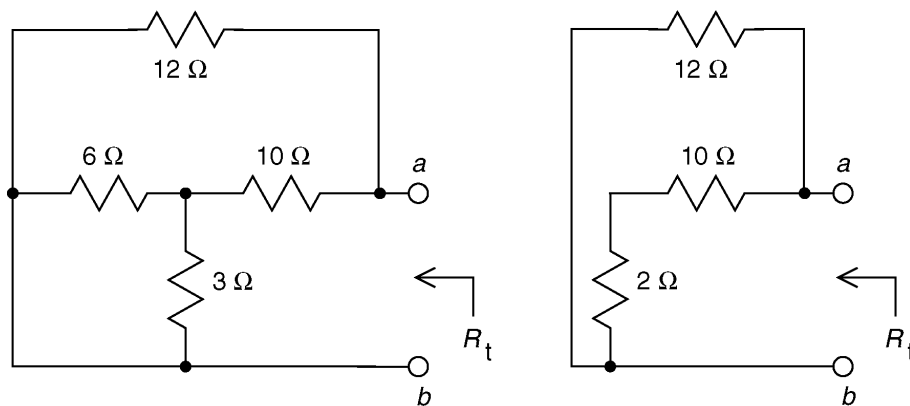


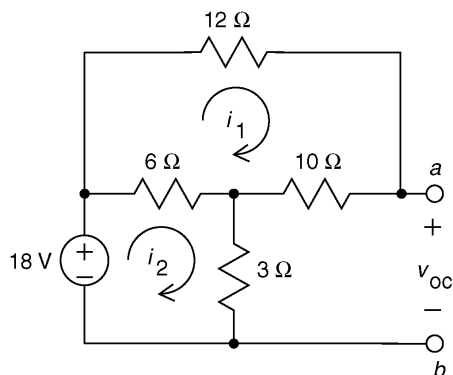
Figure P 5.4-4

Find R_t :



$$R_t = \frac{12(10+2)}{12+(10+2)} = 6 \Omega$$

Write mesh equations to find v_{oc} :



Mesh equations:

$$12 i_1 + 10 i_1 - 6 (i_2 - i_1) = 0$$

$$6 (i_2 - i_1) + 3 i_2 - 18 = 0$$

$$78 i_1 - 6 i_2$$

Finally, $v_{oc} = 3 i_2 + 10 i_1 = 3 \left(\frac{7}{3} \right) + 10 \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) = 12 \text{ V}$

P 5.4-5 Find the Thévenin equivalent circuit for the circuit shown in Figure P 5.4-5.

Answer: $v_{oc} = -2 \text{ V}$ and $R_t = -8/3 \Omega$

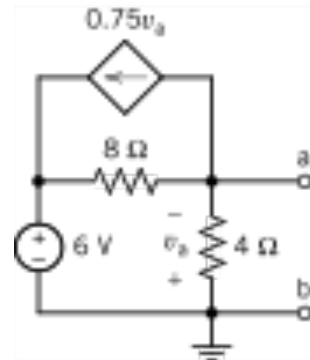


Figure P 5.4-5

Solution:

Find v_{oc} :

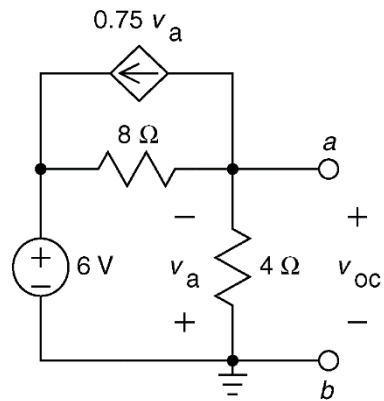
Notice that v_{oc} is the node voltage at node a. Express the controlling voltage of the dependent source as a function of the node voltage:

$$v_a = -v_{oc}$$

Apply KCL at node a:

$$-\left(\frac{6 - v_{oc}}{8} \right) + \frac{v_{oc}}{4} + \left(-\frac{3}{4} v_{oc} \right) = 0$$

$$-6 + v_{oc} + 2 v_{oc} - 6 v_{oc} = 0 \Rightarrow v_{oc} = -2 \text{ V}$$



Find R_t :

We'll find i_{sc} and use it to calculate R_t . Notice that the short circuit forces

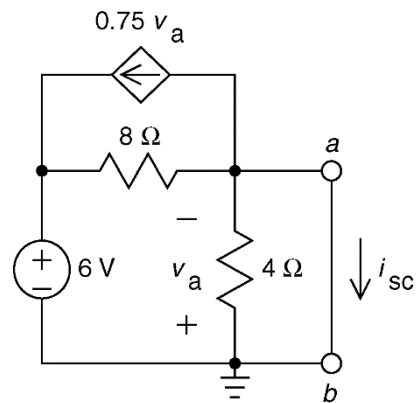
$$v_a = 0$$

Apply KCL at node a:

$$-\left(\frac{6-0}{8}\right) + \frac{0}{4} + \left(-\frac{3}{4}0\right) + i_{sc} = 0$$

$$i_{sc} = \frac{6}{8} = \frac{3}{4} \text{ A}$$

$$R_t = \frac{v_{oc}}{i_{sc}} = \frac{-2}{3/4} = -\frac{8}{3} \Omega$$



P 5.4-10 For the circuit of Figure P 5.4-10, specify the resistance R that will cause current i_b to be 2 mA. The current i_a has units of amps.

Hint: Find the Thévenin equivalent circuit of the circuit connected to R .

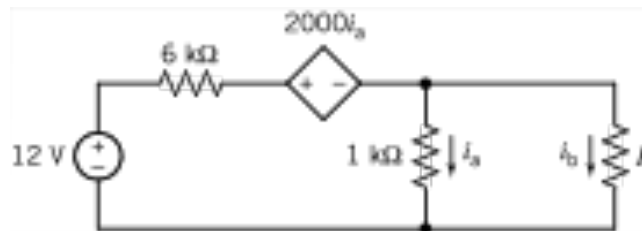
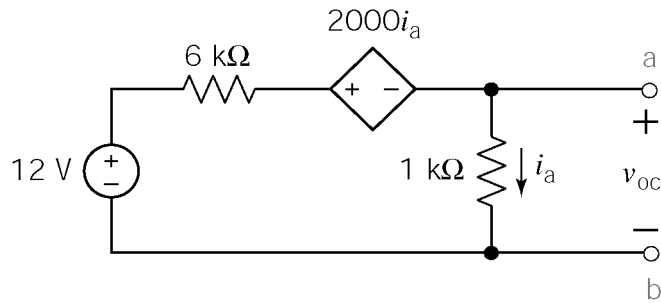


Figure P 5.4-10

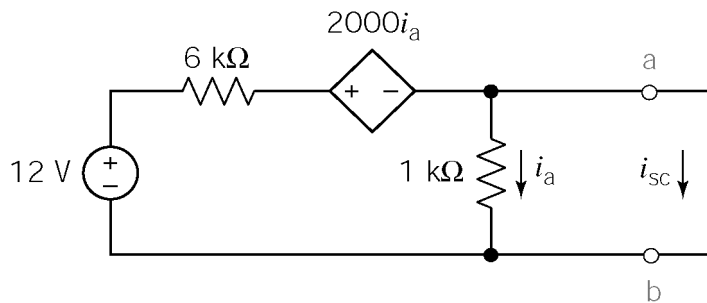
Solution:



$$-12 + 6000i_a + 2000i_a + 1000i_a = 0$$

$$i_a = 4/3000 \text{ A}$$

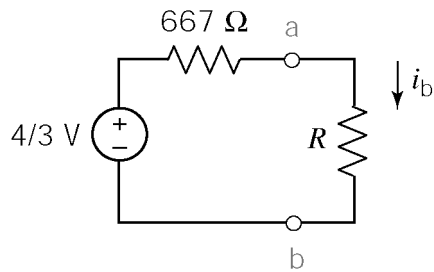
$$v_{oc} = 1000i_a = \frac{4}{3} \text{ V}$$



$i_a = 0$ due to the short circuit

$$-12 + 6000i_{sc} = 0 \Rightarrow i_{sc} = 2 \text{ mA}$$

$$R_t = \frac{v_{oc}}{i_{sc}} = \frac{\frac{4}{3}}{.002} = 667 \Omega$$



$$i_b = \frac{\frac{4}{3}}{667 + R}$$

$i_b = 0.002 \text{ A}$ requires

$$R = \frac{\frac{4}{3}}{0.002} - 667 = 0$$

P 5.4-12 The circuit shown in Figure P 5.4-12 contains an adjustable resistor. The resistance R can be set to any value in the range $0 \leq R \leq 100 \text{ k}\Omega$.

- (a) Determine the maximum value of the current i_a that can be obtained by adjusting R .
Determine the corresponding value of R .

- (b) Determine the maximum value of the voltage v_a that can be obtained by adjusting R . Determine the corresponding value of R .
- (c) Determine the maximum value of the power supplied to the adjustable resistor that can be obtained by adjusting R . Determine the corresponding value of R .

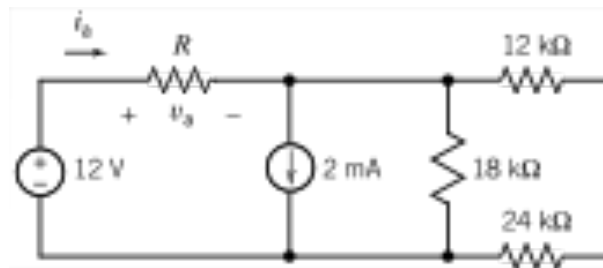
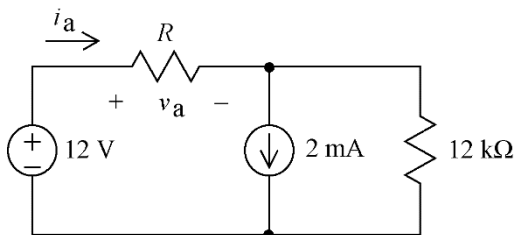
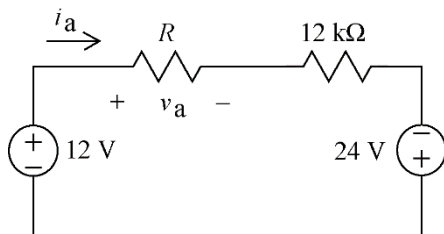


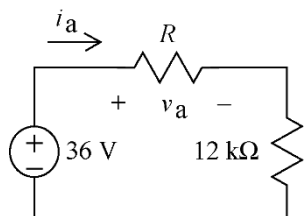
Figure P 5.4-12

Solution: Replace the part of the circuit that is connected to the variable resistor by its Thevenin equivalent circuit:



$$18 \text{ k}\Omega \parallel (12 \text{ k}\Omega + 24 \text{ k}\Omega) = 18 \text{ k}\Omega \parallel 36 \text{ k}\Omega = 12 \text{ k}\Omega$$





$$i_a = \frac{36}{R + 12000} \quad \text{and} \quad v_a = \frac{R}{R + 12000} 36$$

$$p = i_a v_a = \left(\frac{36}{R + 12000} \right)^2 R$$

(a) $i_a = \frac{36}{0 + 12000} = 3 \text{ mA}$ when $R = 0 \Omega$ (a short circuit).

(b) $v_a = \frac{10^5}{10^5 + 12000} 36 = 32.14 \text{ V}$ when R is as large as possible, i.e. $R = 100 \text{ k}\Omega$.

(c) Maximum power is delivered to the adjustable resistor when $R = R_t = 12 \text{ k}\Omega$. Then

$$p = i_a v_a = \left(\frac{36}{12000 + 12000} \right)^2 12000 = 0.027 = 27 \text{ mW}$$

P 5.4-14 The circuit shown in

Figure P 5.4-14 contains an unspecified resistance, R . Determine the value of R in each of the following two ways.

- Write and solve mesh equations.
- Replace the part of the circuit connected to the resistor R by a Thévenin equivalent circuit. Analyze the resulting circuit.

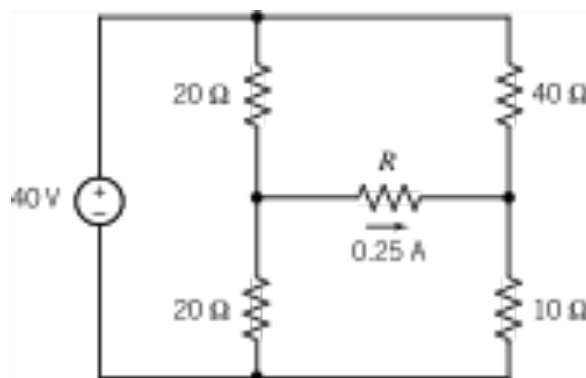
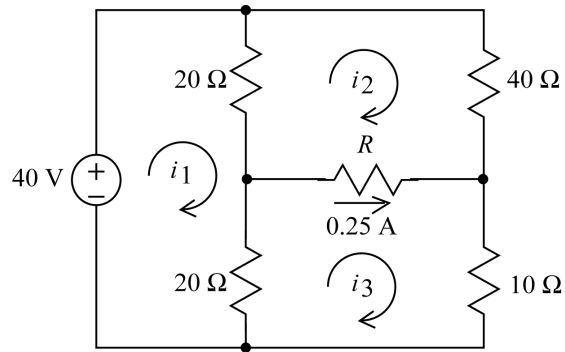


Figure P 5.4-14

Solution:

(a)



$$i_3 - i_2 = 0.25 \text{ A}$$

Apply KVL to mesh 1 to get

$$20(i_1 - i_2) + 20(i_1 - i_3) - 40 = 0$$

Apply KVL to the supermesh corresponding to the unspecified resistance to get

$$40i_2 + 10i_3 - 20(i_1 - i_3) - 20(i_1 - i_2) = 0$$

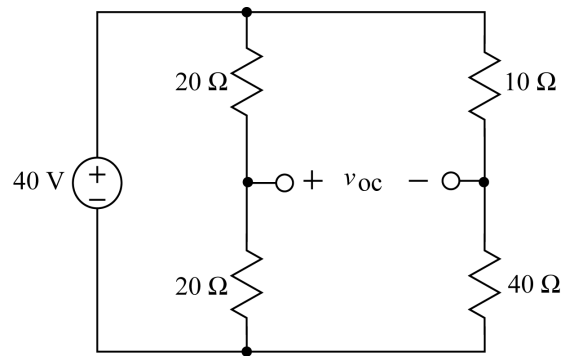
Solving, for example using MATLAB, gives

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 40 & -20 & -20 \\ -40 & 60 & 30 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} i_1 \\ i_2 \\ i_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.25 \\ 40 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} i_1 \\ i_2 \\ i_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1.875 \\ 0.750 \\ 1.000 \end{bmatrix}$$

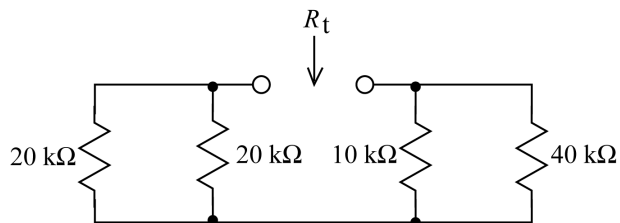
Apply KVL to mesh 2 to get

$$40i_2 + R(i_2 - i_3) - 20(i_1 - i_2) = 0 \Rightarrow R = \frac{20(i_1 - i_2) - 40i_2}{i_2 - i_3} = 30 \Omega$$

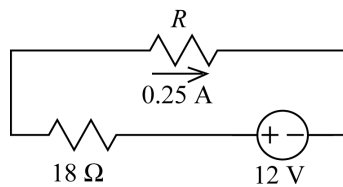
(b)



$$v_{oc} = \left(\frac{20}{20+20} \right) 40 - \left(\frac{40}{10+40} \right) 40 = -12 \text{ V}$$

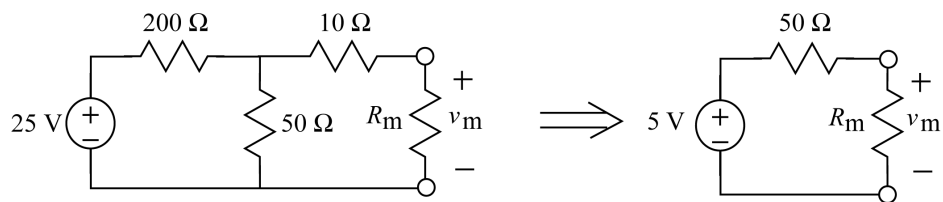


$$R_t = 18 \text{ } \Omega$$



$$0.25 = \frac{12}{18 + R} \Rightarrow R = 30 \text{ } \Omega$$

Solution: Replace the circuit by its Thevenin equivalent circuit:



$$v_m = \left(\frac{R_m}{R_m + 50} \right) 5$$

$$v_{mi} = \lim_{R_m \rightarrow \infty} v_m = 5 \text{ V}$$

(a)

(b) When $R_m = 1000 \Omega$, $v_m = 4.763 \text{ V}$ so

$$\% \text{ error} = \frac{5 - 4.762}{5} \times 100 = 4.76\%$$

$$0.02 \geq \frac{5 - \left(\frac{R_m}{R_m + 50} \right) 5}{5} \Rightarrow \frac{R_m}{R_m + 50} \geq 0.98 \Rightarrow R_m \geq 2450 \Omega$$

(c)

P 5.4-16 An ideal voltmeter is modeled as an open circuit. A more realistic model of a voltmeter is a large resistance. Figure P 5.4-16a shows a circuit with a voltmeter that measures the voltage v_m . In Figure P 5.4-16b the voltmeter is replaced by the model of an ideal voltmeter, an open circuit. The voltmeter measures v_{mi} , the ideal value of v_m .

As $R_m \rightarrow \infty$, the voltmeter becomes an ideal voltmeter and $v_m \rightarrow v_{mi}$. When $R_m < \infty$, the voltmeter is not ideal and $v_m > v_{mi}$. The difference between v_m and v_{mi} is a measurement error caused by the fact that the voltmeter is not ideal.

- Determine the value of v_{mi} .
- Express the measurement error that occurs when $R_m = 1000 \Omega$ as a percentage of v_{mi} .
- Determine the minimum value of R_m required to ensure that the measurement error is smaller than 2 percent of v_{mi} .

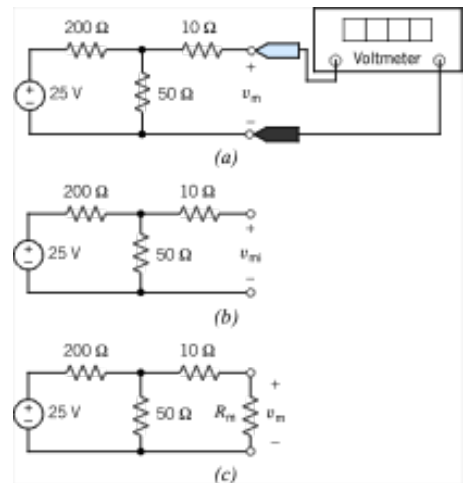


Figure P 5.4-16

P 5.5-7 Determine the value of the resistance R in the circuit shown in Figure P 5.5-7 by each of the following methods:

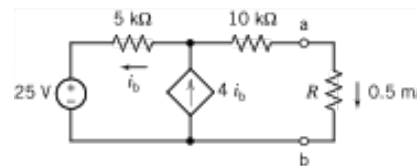
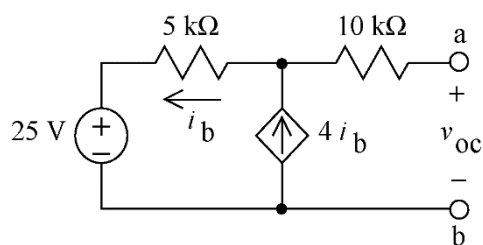


Figure P 5.5-7

- Replace the part of the circuit to the left of terminals a–b by its the Norton equivalent circuit. Use current division to determine the value of R .
- Analyze the circuit shown Figure P 5.5-6 using mesh equations. Solve the mesh equations to determine the value of R .

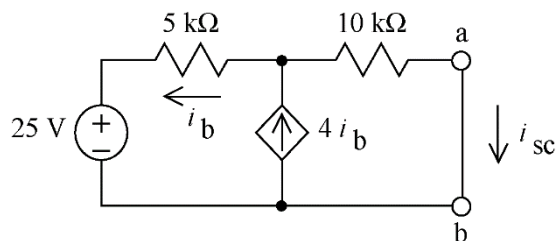
Solution: (a) Replace the part of the circuit that is connected to the left of terminals a-b by its Norton equivalent circuit:



Apply KCL at the top node of the dependent source to see that $i_b = 0$ A. Then

$$v_{oc} = 25 + 5000(i_b) = 25 \text{ V}$$

Apply KVL to the supermesh corresponding to the dependent source to get



$$-5000 i_b + 10000(3 i_b) - 25 = 0 \Rightarrow i_b = 1 \text{ mA}$$

Apply KCL to get

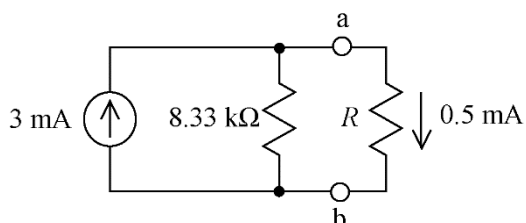
$$i_{sc} = 3 i_b = 3 \text{ mA}$$

Then

$$R_t = \frac{v_{oc}}{i_{sc}} = 8.33 \text{ k}\Omega$$

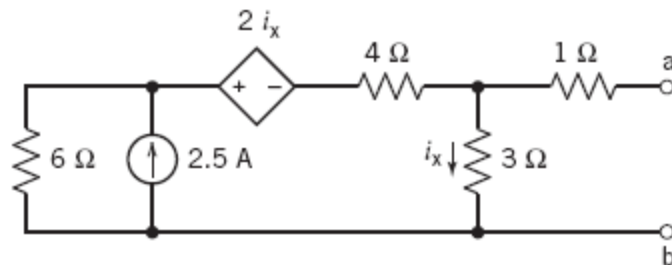
Current division gives

$$0.5 = \frac{8333}{R + 8333} 3 \Rightarrow R = 41.67 \text{ k}\Omega$$



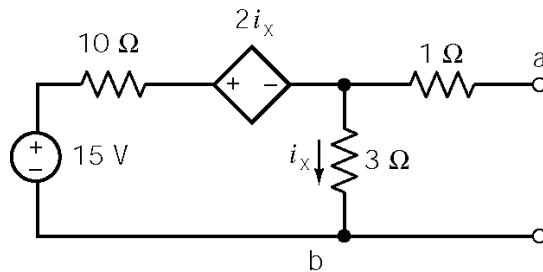
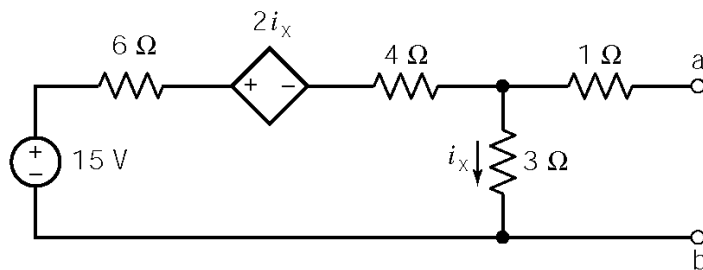
(b)

P5.5-8 Find the Norton equivalent circuit of this circuit:

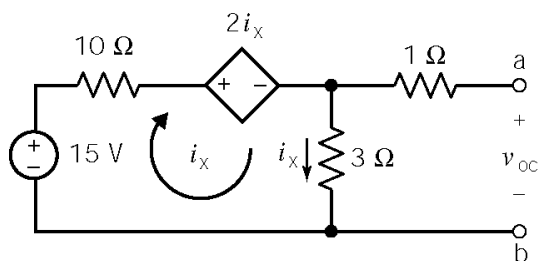


Solution

Simplify the circuit using a source transformation:

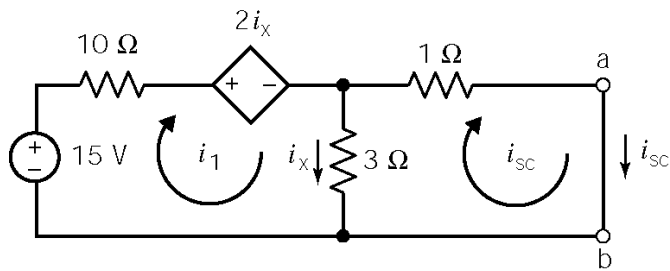


Identify the open circuit voltage and short circuit current.



Apply KVL to the mesh to get:

$$(10 + 2 + 3)i_x - 15 = 0 \Rightarrow i_x = 1 \text{ A}$$



Express the controlling current of the CCVS in terms of the mesh currents:

$$i_x = i_1 - i_{sc}$$

The mesh equations are

$$10 i_1 + 2(i_1 - i_{sc}) + 3(i_1 - i_{sc}) - 15 = 0 \Rightarrow 15 i_1 - 5 i_{sc} = 15$$

and

$$i_{sc} - 3(i_1 - i_{sc}) = 0 \Rightarrow i_1 = \frac{4}{3} i_{sc}$$

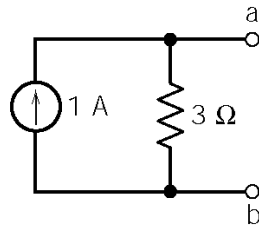
so

$$15 \left(\frac{4}{3} i_{sc} \right) - 5 i_{sc} = 15 \Rightarrow i_{sc} = 1 \text{ A}$$

The Thevenin resistance is

$$R_t = \frac{3}{1} = 3 \Omega$$

Finally, the Norton equivalent circuit is



P 5.5-11 Determine values of R_t and i_{sc} that cause the circuit shown in Figure P 5.5-11b to be the Norton equivalent circuit of the circuit in Figure P 5.5-11a.

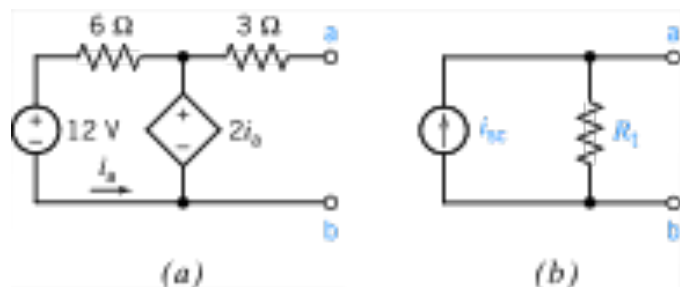
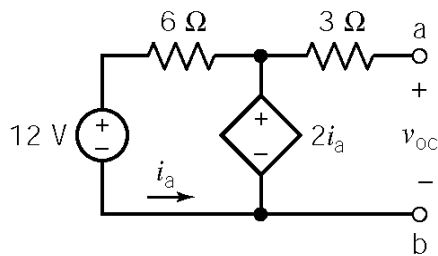


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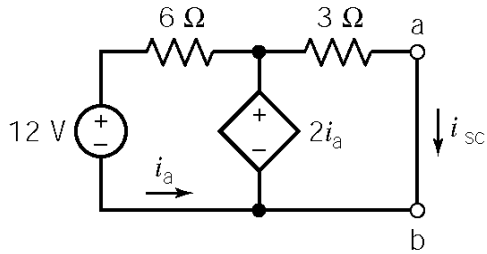
Answer: $R_t = 3 \Omega$ and $i_{sc} = -2 \text{ A}$

Solution:



$$i_a = \frac{2i_a - 12}{6} \Rightarrow i_a = -3 \text{ A}$$

$$v_{oc} = 2i_a = -6 \text{ V}$$



$$12 + 6i_a = 2i_a \Rightarrow i_a = -3 \text{ A}$$

$$3i_{sc} = 2i_a \Rightarrow i_{sc} = \frac{2}{3}(-3) = -2 \text{ A}$$

$$R_t = \frac{-6}{-2} = 3 \Omega$$

P 5.6-1 The circuit shown in Figure P 5.6-1 consists of two parts separated by a pair of terminals. Consider the part of the circuit to the left of the terminals. The open circuit voltage is $v_{oc} = 8\text{V}$, and the short circuit current is $i_{sc} = 2\text{A}$. Determine the values of

- The voltage source voltage, v_s , and the resistance R_2 .
- The resistance R that maximizes the power delivered to the resistor to the right of the terminals, and the corresponding maximum power

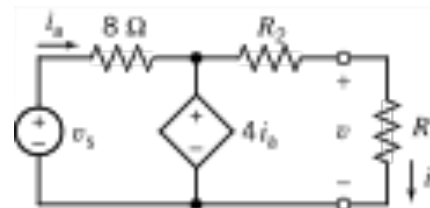
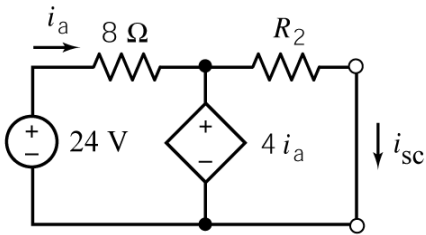
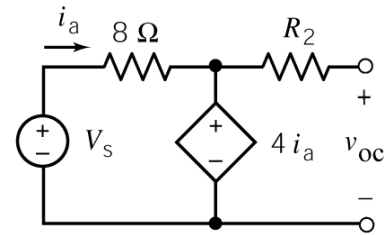


Figure P 5.6-1

Solution:

(a) The value of the current in R_2 is 0 A so $v_{oc} = 4i_a$. Then KVL gives

$$8i_a + 4i_a - V_s = 0 \Rightarrow V_s = 12i_a = 3(4i_a) = 3(v_{oc}) = 24 \text{ V}$$



Next, KVL gives,

$$8i_a + 4i_a - 24 = 0 \Rightarrow i_a = 2 \text{ A}$$

and

$$4i_a = R_2 i_{sc} \Rightarrow 4(2) = R_2(2) \Rightarrow R_2 = 4 \Omega$$

(b) The power delivered to the resistor to the right of the terminals is maximized by setting R equal to the Thevenin resistance of the part of the circuit to the left of the terminals:

$$R = R_t = \frac{v_{oc}}{i_{sc}} = \frac{8}{2} = 4 \Omega$$

$$p_{\max} = \frac{v_{oc}^2}{4R_t} = \frac{8^2}{4(4)} = 4 \text{ W}$$

Then

P 5.6-5 Determine the maximum power that can be absorbed by a resistor, R , connected to terminals a–b of the circuit shown in Figure P 5.6-5. Specify the required value of R .

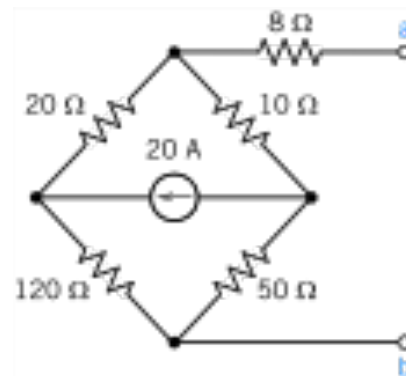
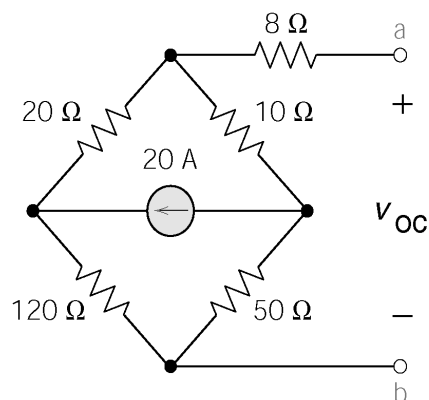
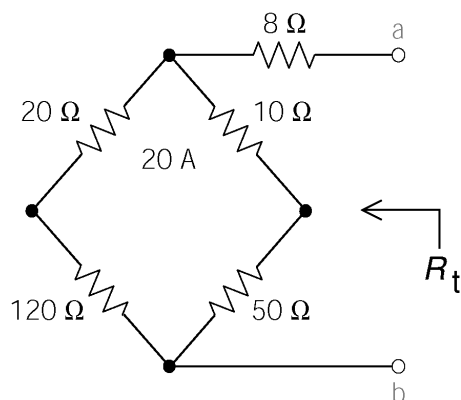


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Solution:



The required value of R is

$$R = R_t = 8 + \frac{(20 + 120)(10 + 50)}{(20 + 120) + (10 + 50)} = 50 \, \Omega$$

$$\begin{aligned} v_{oc} &= \left[\frac{170}{170 + 30} (20) \right] 10 - \left[\frac{30}{170 + 30} (20) \right] 50 \\ &= \frac{170(20)(10) - 30(20)(50)}{200} = \frac{4000}{200} = 20 \, \text{V} \end{aligned}$$

The maximum power is given by

$$p_{\max} = \frac{v_{oc}^2}{4 R_t} = \frac{20^2}{4(50)} = 2 \, \text{W}$$

P5.6-10 The part circuit shown in Figure P5.6-10a to left of the terminals can be reduced to its Norton equivalent circuit using source transformations and equivalent resistance. The resulting Norton equivalent circuit, shown in Figure P5.6-10b, will be characterized by the parameters:

$$i_{sc} = 1.5 \, \text{A} \quad \text{and} \quad R_t = 80 \, \Omega$$

(a) Determine the values of i_s and R_1 .

(b) Given that $0 \leq R_2 \leq \infty$, determine the maximum value of $p = vi$, the power delivered to R_2 .

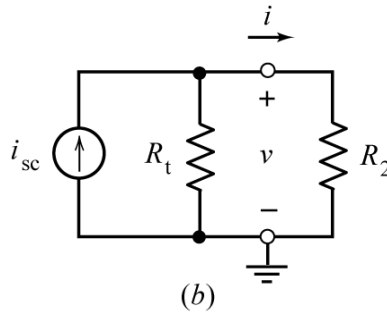
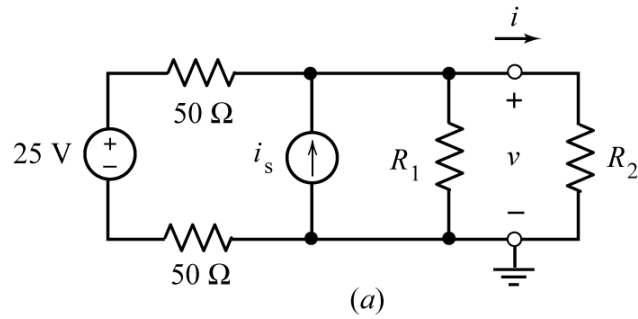
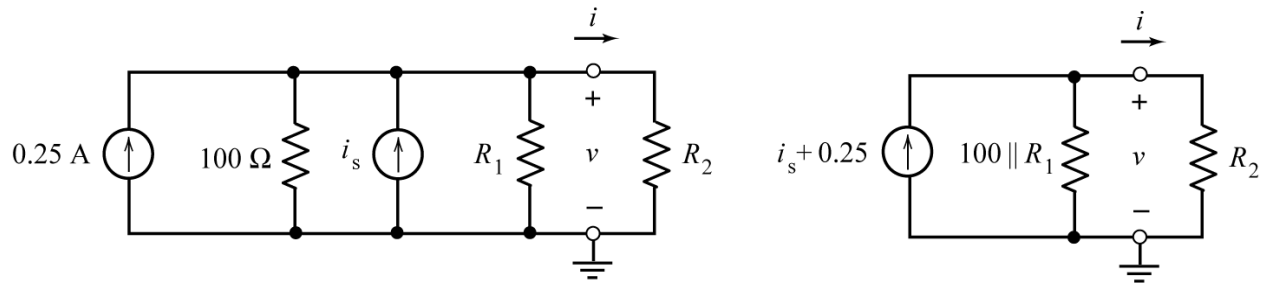


Figure P5.6-10

Solution: Two source transformations reduce the circuit as follows:



(a) Recognizing the parameters of the Norton equivalent circuit gives:

$$1.5 = i_{sc} = i_s + 0.25 \Rightarrow i_s = 1.25 \text{ A} \quad \text{and} \quad 80 = R_t = 100 \parallel R_1 = \frac{100 R_1}{100 + R_1} \Rightarrow R_1 = 400 \Omega$$

(b) The maximum value of the power delivered to R_2 occurs when $R_2 = R_t = 80 \Omega$. Then

$$i = \frac{1}{2} i_{sc} = 0.75 \text{ A} \quad \text{and} \quad p = \left(\frac{1}{2} i_{sc} \right)^2 R_t = (0.625^2) 80 = 45 \text{ W}$$