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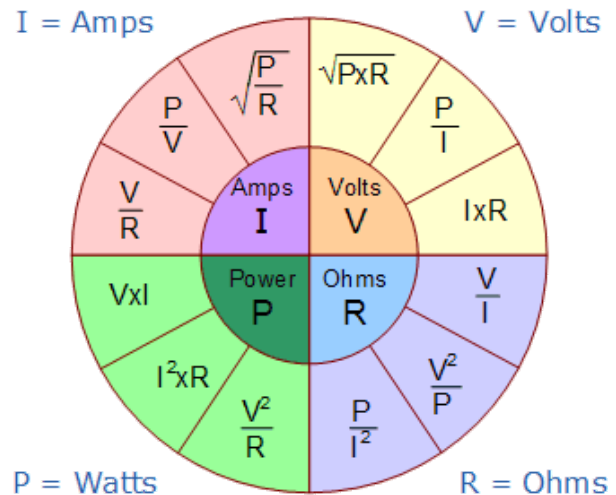
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## Voltage divider

If you do KVL around the whole loop you have to assign current.

Every element has its own voltage

$V_{in}$  has voltage of ( $V_s$ )

Circuit has total Resistance of  $I_s$

Each resistor ( $I_1$  and  $I_2$ ) will have voltages ( $V_1$  and  $V_2$ )

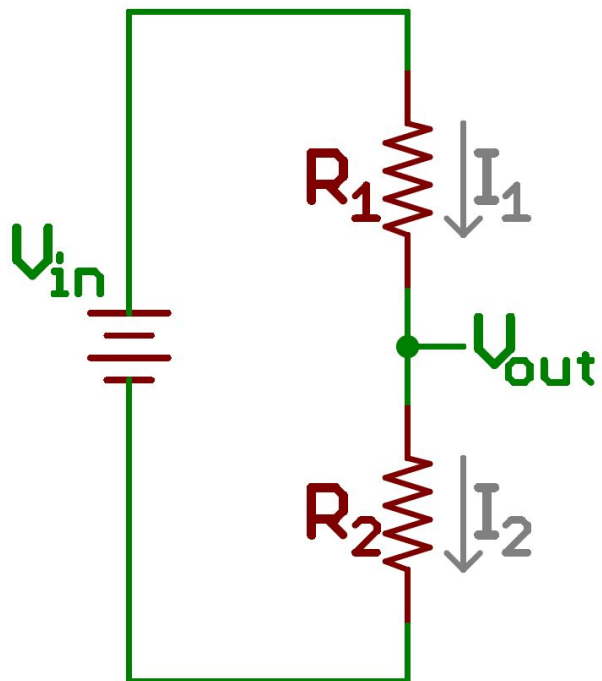
Therefore KVL states that  $-V_s + V_1 + V_2 = 0$  must be true.

$$-V_s + I_s(R_1 \text{ and } R_2) = 0$$

$$V_1 = \frac{R_1}{R_1 + R_2} * V_s$$

$$V_2 = \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} * V_s$$

$$\text{General Theory } V_i = \frac{R_i}{\{R\}} * V_s$$



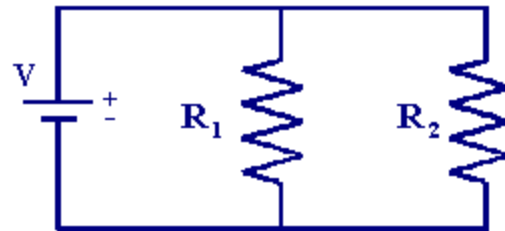
## Current divider

Suppose we have a current source. Suppose we want to combine resistances so they divide current between them. All resistors will take an equal amount of current

Each Resistor will have their own current because they are not in series ( $I_1$  and  $I_2$ )

V will have its own current  $I_s$

Apply KcL. Imagine a node around the top of the two resistors



$$I_i = \frac{I_s}{\sum \frac{i}{R_n}} * \frac{1}{R_i}$$

KcL at Node<sub>A</sub>

$$I_s = i_1 + i_2$$

$$i_1 = V/R_1 \text{ \& } i_2 = V/R_2$$

$$I_s = V/R_1 + V/R_2$$

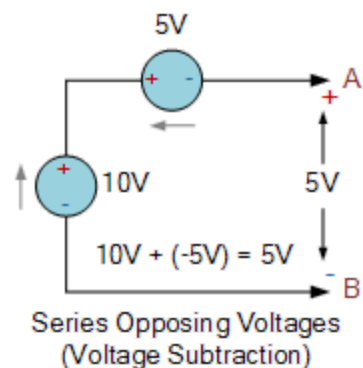
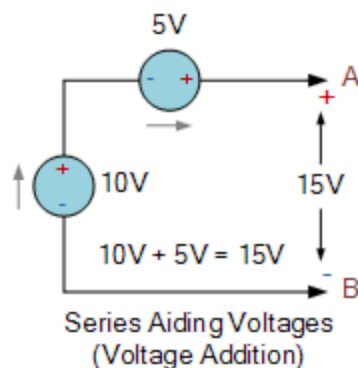
$$V = I_s * 1 / (1/R_1) + (1/R_2)$$

## Independent Voltage Sources

### Rules to replace multiple sources with a single source

If poles are in the same direction, you can add them.

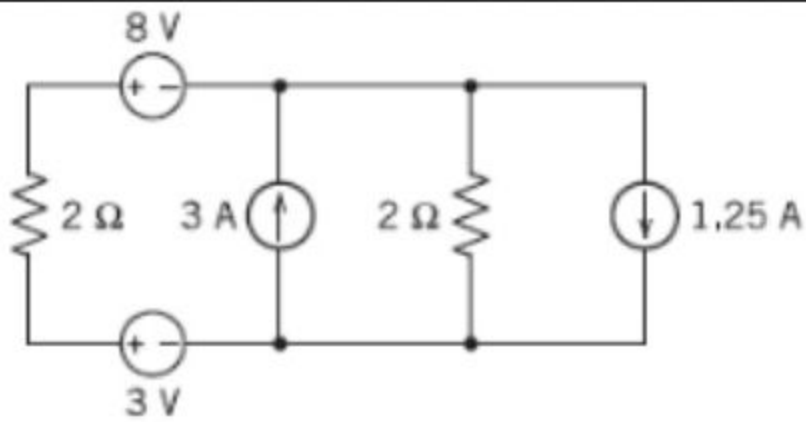
If poles are opposing, subtract them in a way where there is a “winning” source.



Indepandant current series is not allowed

Independent voltage series is not allowed

## In Class Problem



**Figure P 3.5-1**

Combine 8V and 3V ( $V = 8V - 3V = 5V$ )

Combine 3A and 1.25A ( $3A - 1.25A = 1.75A$ )

KvL at Node A

$$1.75 = i_1 + i_2$$

KvL at Loop 1, whole circuit

$$-2\Omega \cdot i_2 + 5V + 2\Omega \cdot i_1 = 0$$

Substitute

$$1.75 = i_1 + i_2$$

$$-2\Omega \cdot i_2 + 5V + 2\Omega \cdot i_1 = 0$$

We got  $i_1 = 0.375$  &  $i_2 = -2.125$

Since  $1.75 \neq 0.375 + (-2.125)$  we have to reverse the signs.

$$i_1 = -0.375 \text{ A}$$

$$i_2 = 2.125 \text{ A}$$

