
Engineering Circuits Analysis (ICE2002)

Chapter 2. Circuit Elements – Part 1/2

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Circuit Elements

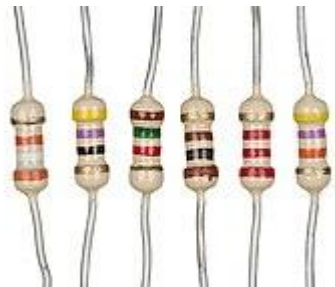
Voltage sources



Voltage & current sources



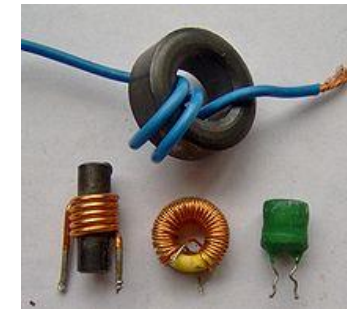
Resistors



Capacitors



Inductors



Circuit Elements

■ 5 ideal basic circuit elements

- Voltage source
- Current source



Active elements,
capable of generating electric energy

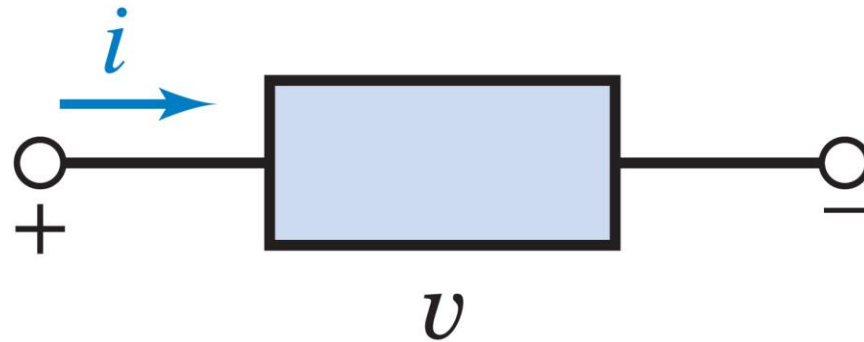
- Resistor
- Inductor
- Capacitor



Passive elements ,
incapable of generating electric energy

In Chapter 2,

- Voltage sources, current sources, and resistors can be described by plotting the current (i) as a function of the voltage (v).

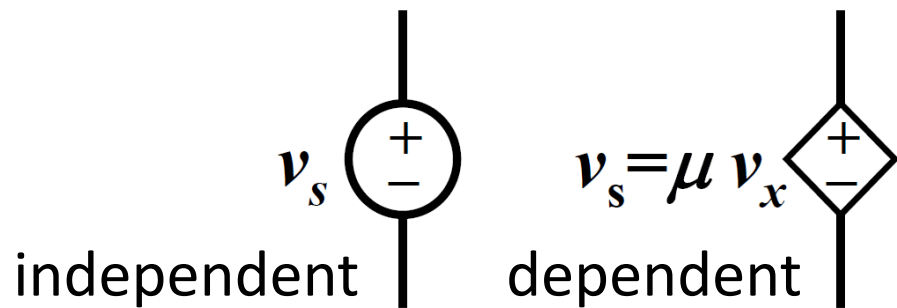


Electrical Sources

- **An electric source** is a device that is capable of converting non-electrical energy to electrical energy and vice versa.
 - Examples:
battery: chemical energy \leftrightarrow electric energy
dynamo (generator/motor): mechanical energy \leftrightarrow electric energy
 - Ideal voltage source – either independent or dependent
 - Ideal current source – either independent or dependent

Electrical Sources

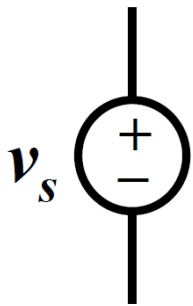
- **Independent**: the source is independent of any other voltage or current in the circuit.
- **Dependent**: the source has the output which is dependent upon some other voltage or currents in the circuit. Also, it is called the controlled source.
- **Ideal**: the source maintains its specified voltage (or current), regardless of the current in (or voltage across) the source.



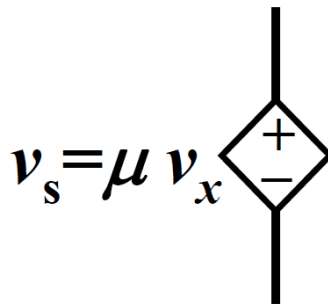
Circle is used to represent an independent source
Diamond is used to represent a dependent source

Ideal Voltage Source

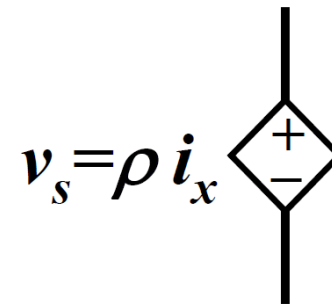
- Circuit element that maintains a prescribed voltage across its terminals, regardless of the current flowing in those terminals.
 - Voltage is known, but current is determined by the circuit to which the source is connected.
- The voltage can be either independent or dependent on a voltage or current elsewhere in the circuit and can be constant or time-varying.



independent



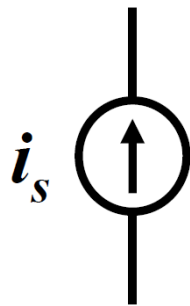
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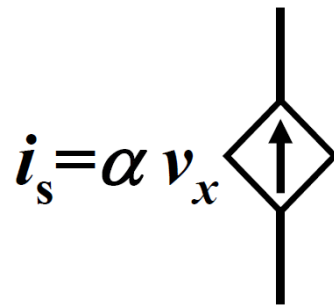
current-controlled

Ideal Current Source

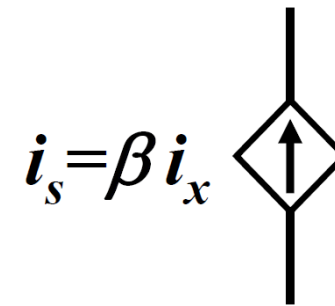
- Circuit element that maintains a prescribed current through its terminals, regardless of the voltage across those terminals.
 - Current is known, but voltage is determined by the circuit to which the source is connected.
- The current can be either independent or dependent on a voltage or current elsewhere in the circuit and can be constant or time-varying.



independent



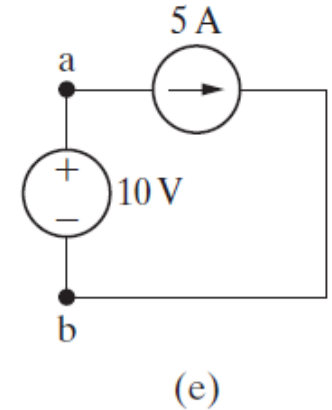
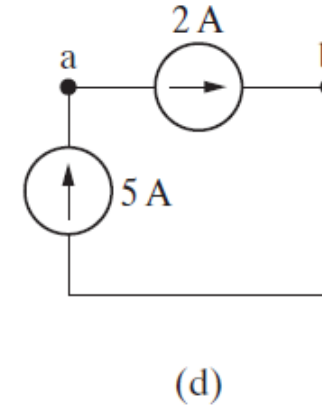
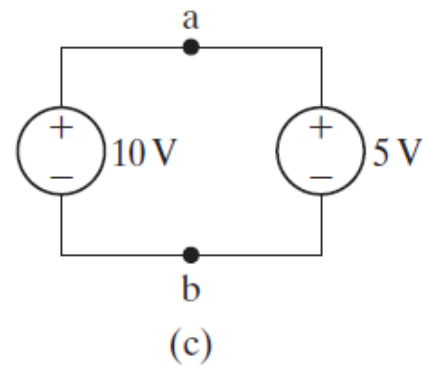
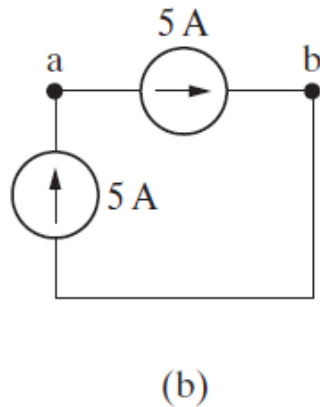
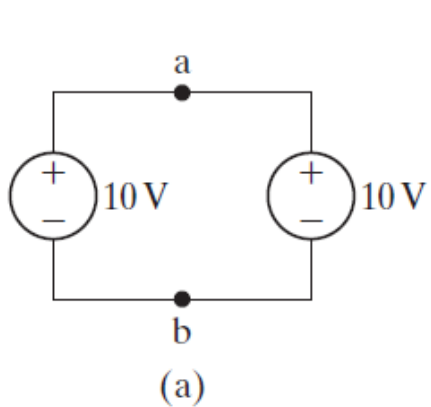
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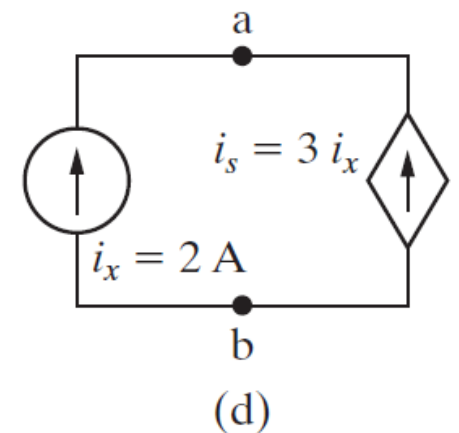
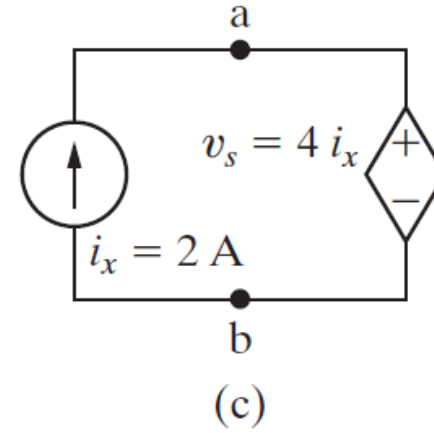
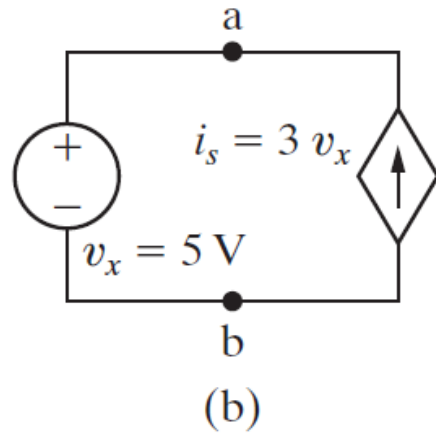
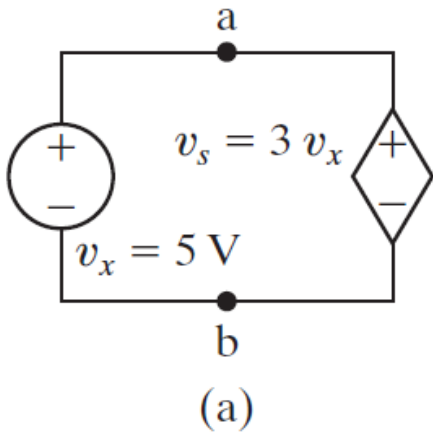
Example 2.1

Q. Use the definitions of the **ideal independent voltage and current sources** to determine which interconnection are permitted and violated.



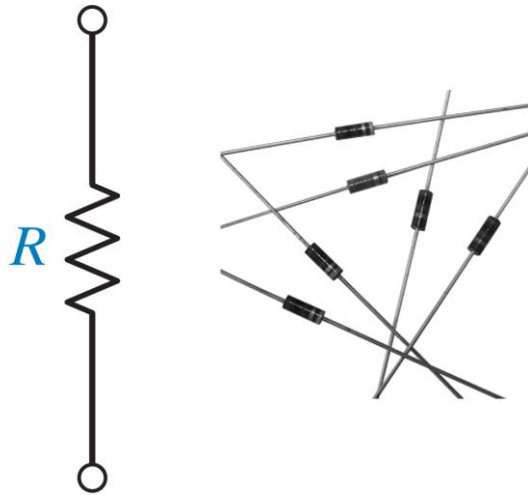
Example 2.2

Q. State which interconnections are permitted and violated, using the definitions of the **ideal independent** and **dependent sources**.



Electrical Resistance

- Resistance (R) is the capacity of materials to impede the flow of current or the flow of electric charge. The circuit element used to model this behavior is the resistor.
- It is measured in ohm [Ω].



$$R = \frac{\rho L}{A}$$

where

ρ = the resistivity of the material,
 L = the length of the conductor,
 A = the cross-sectional area of the conductor.

Electrical Conductance

- **Conductance (G)** is the ability of an element to conduct electric current. It is the reciprocal of resistance R and it is **measured in $1/\Omega$ or siemens [S]**.

$$G = \frac{1}{R}$$

where
 R = the resistance in ohms.

$$R = \frac{\rho L}{A}$$

where
 ρ = the resistivity of the material,
 L = the length of the conductor,
 A = the cross-sectional area of the conductor.

Ohm's Law

- **Ohm's law** establishes the proportionality of voltage and current in a resistor. It states that the voltage across a resistor is directly proportional to the current I flowing through the resistor.
- Two extreme possible values of R :
zero ($R = 0$) – short circuit and infinite – open circuit

$$v = Ri$$

where

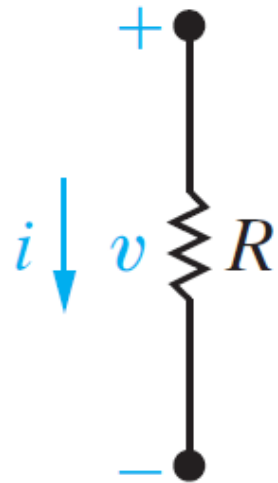
v = the voltage in volts,

i = the current in amperes,

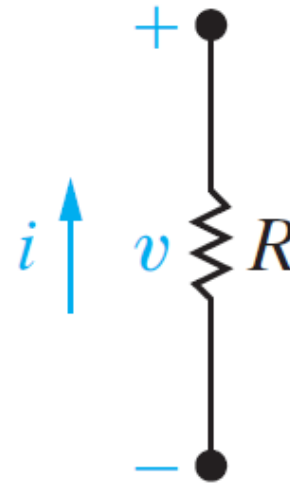
R = the resistance in ohms.

Ohm's Law

- If the current flow in the resistor is in the direction of the **voltage drop** across it >> (a)
- If the current flow in the resistor is in the direction of the **voltage rise** across it >> (b)



(a) $v = iR$



(b) $v = -iR$

Ohm's Law – Power

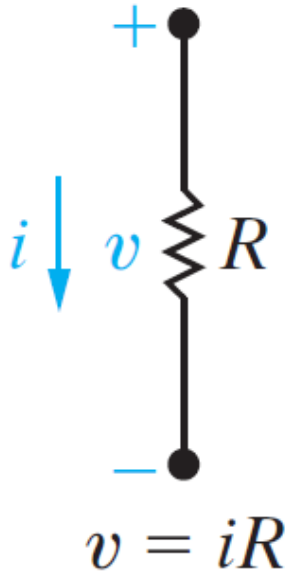
- Power in a resistor, in terms of current (i) or voltage (v):

In Chapter 1,

$$p = \frac{dw}{dt} = \frac{dw}{dq} \cdot \frac{dq}{dt} = v \cdot i$$

where

p = the power in watts,
 w = the energy in joules,
 t = the time in seconds.



And using the equation $v = iR$

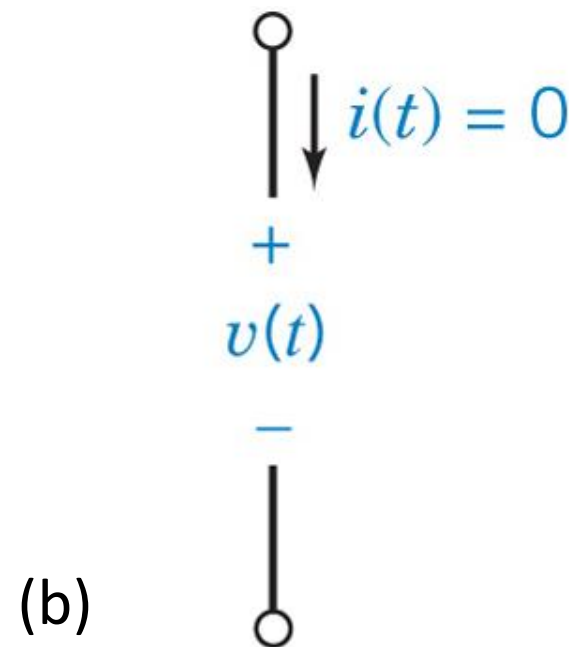
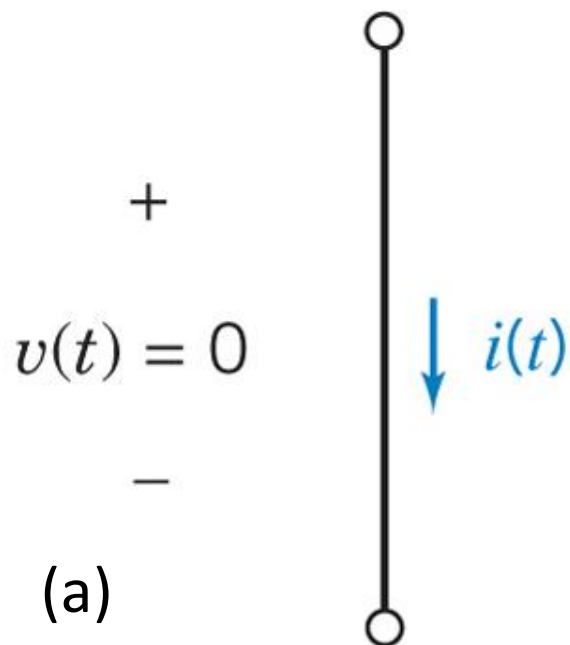
$$P = vi = \frac{v^2}{R} = i^2 R$$

where

v = the voltage in volts,
 i = the current in amperes,
 R = the resistance in ohms.

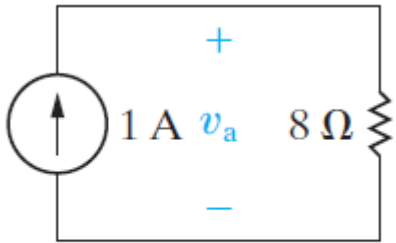
Ohm's Law – Short Circuit and Open Circuit

- Two extreme possible values of R :
 - (a) Zero ($R = 0$) – short circuit >> no voltage difference
 - (b) Infinite – open circuit >> no current flow

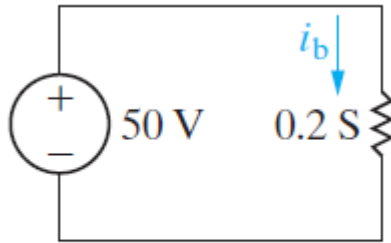


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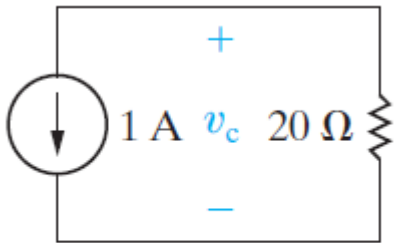
- Q. a) calculate the values of v and i
b) Determine the power dissipated in each resistor



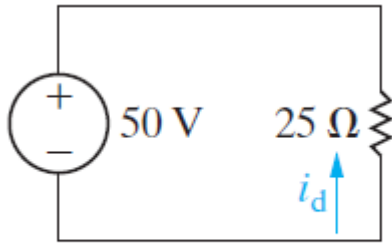
(a)



(b)



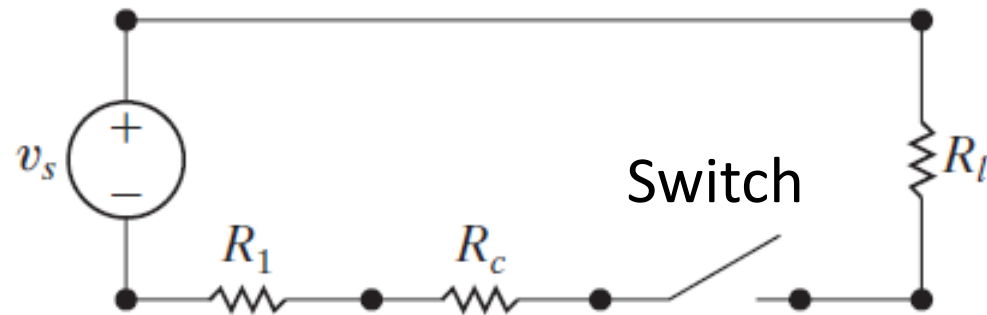
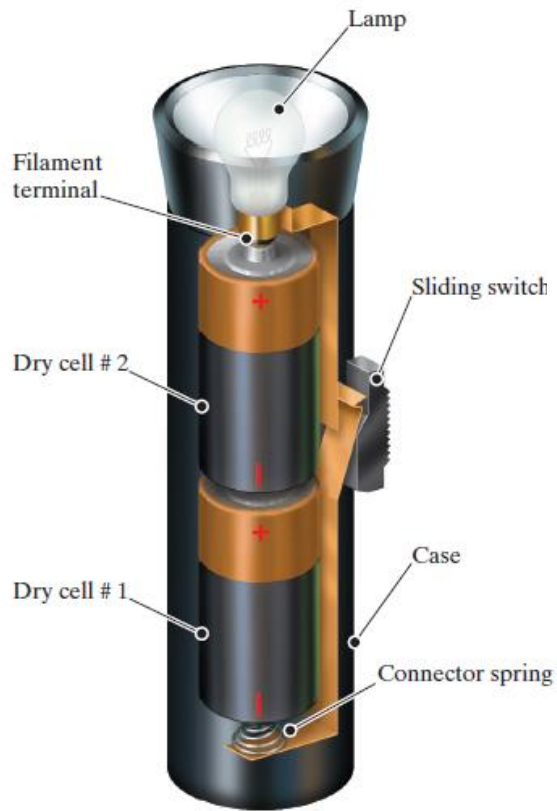
(c)



(d)

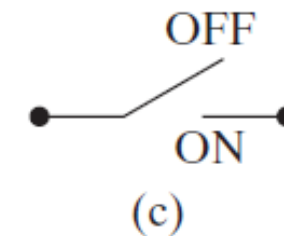
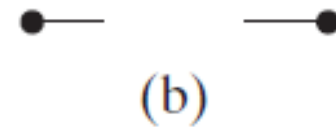
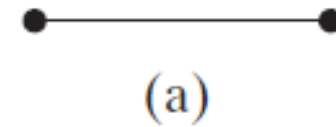
Construction of a Circuit Model

- A circuit model for a flashlight



R_l = The resistance of lamp
 R_1 = The resistance of connector
 R_c = The resistance of case

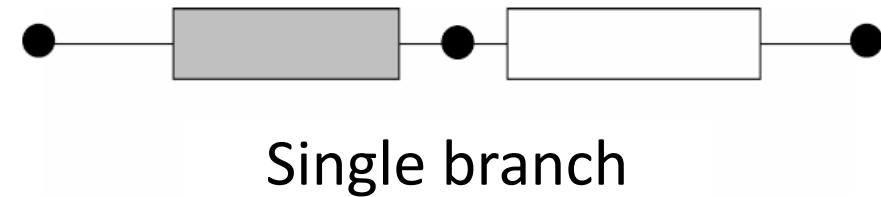
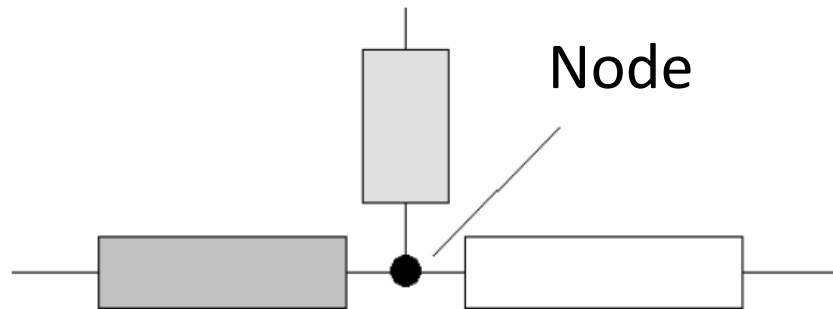
Switch



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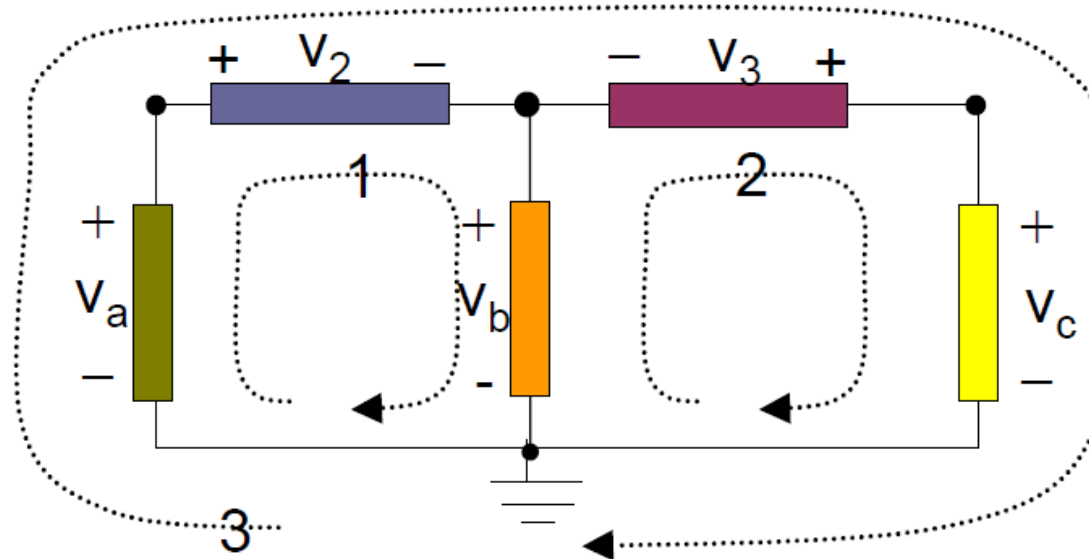
Terminology

- **Node**: a point where two or more circuit elements are connected
- **Branch**: a single element such as a voltage source or a resistor; a branch represents any two-terminal element

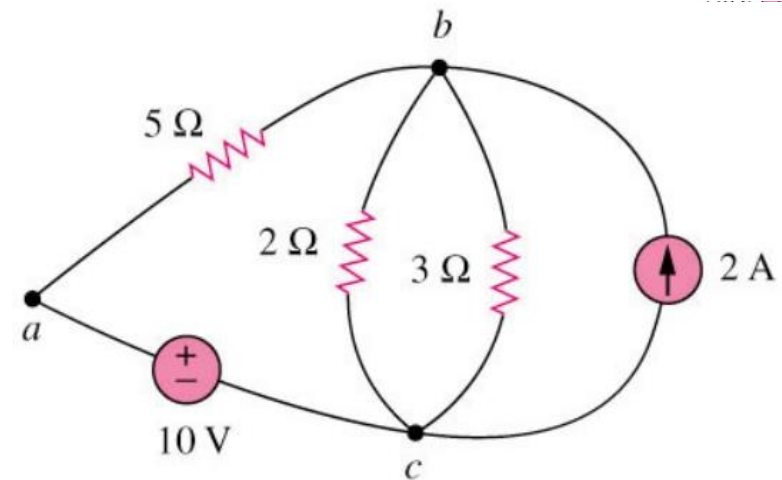
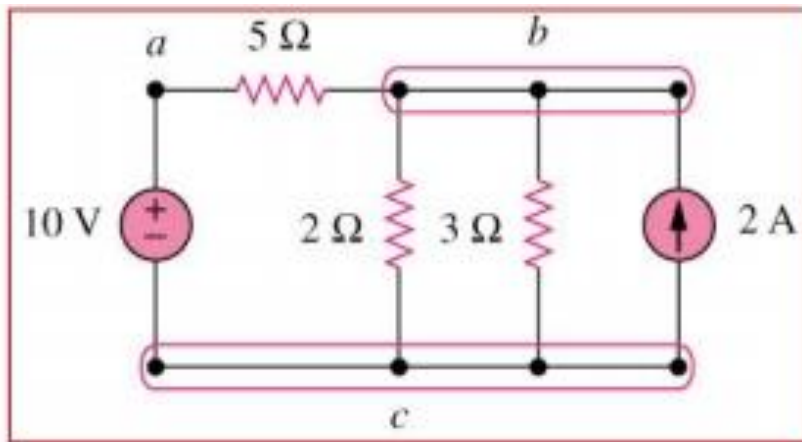
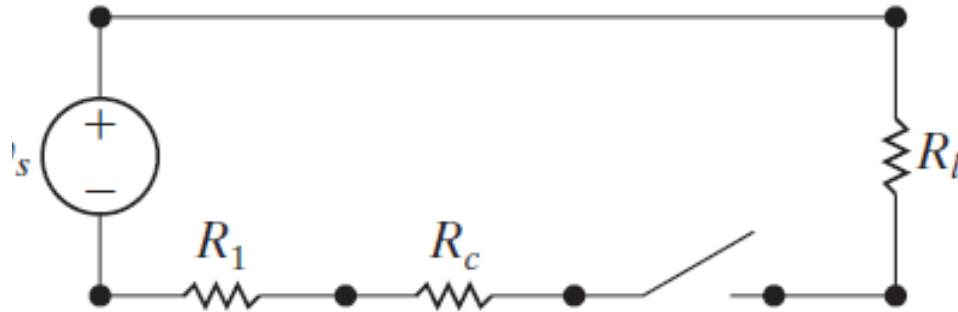
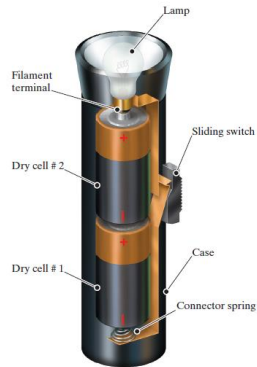


Terminology

- **Closed path (or Loop):** it represents a loop traced through connecting elements, starting and ending at the same node and encountering intermediate nodes only once each.

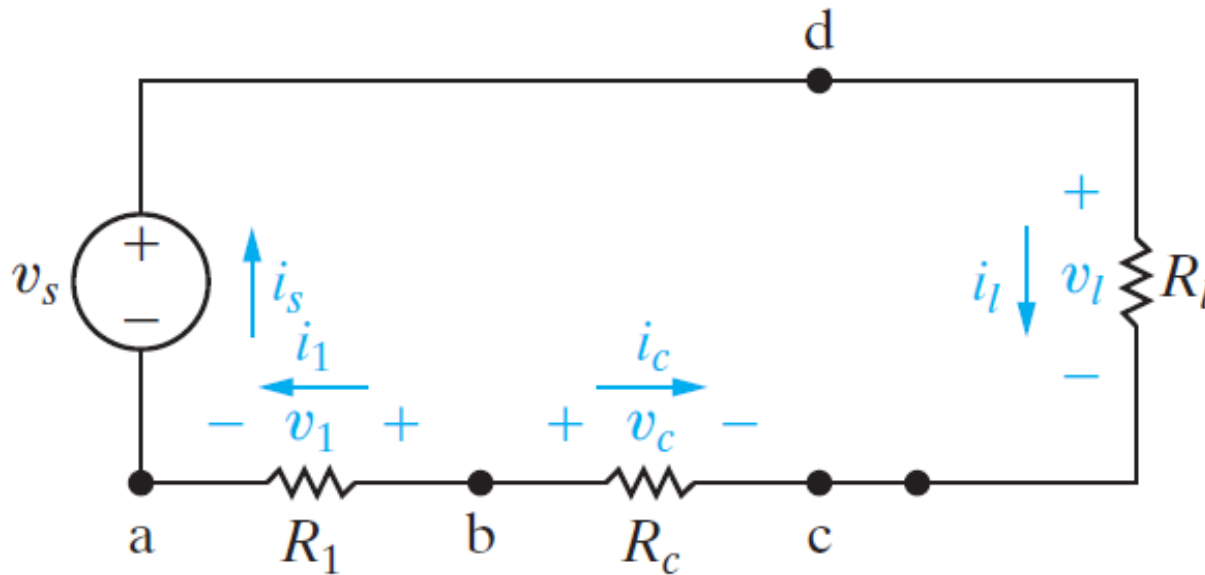
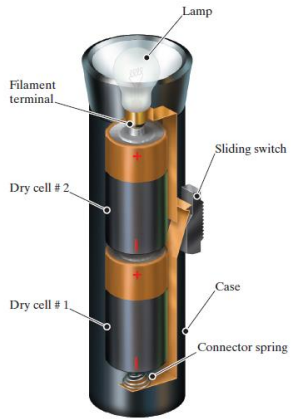


Examples of nodes, branches, and loops



Kirchhoff's Law

- Circuits are described by **nodes** and **closed paths**.
- While **Ohm's law** is an important tool for solving a circuit, it may not be enough to provide a complete solution. >> need **Kirchhoff's Law**



Using Ohm's law,

Kirchhoff's Law

- Kirchhoff's Current Law (KCL)

The algebraic sum of all the currents at any node in a circuit equals zero

- Kirchhoff's Voltage Law (KVL)

The algebraic sum of all the voltages around any closed path in a circuit equals zero

For KCL

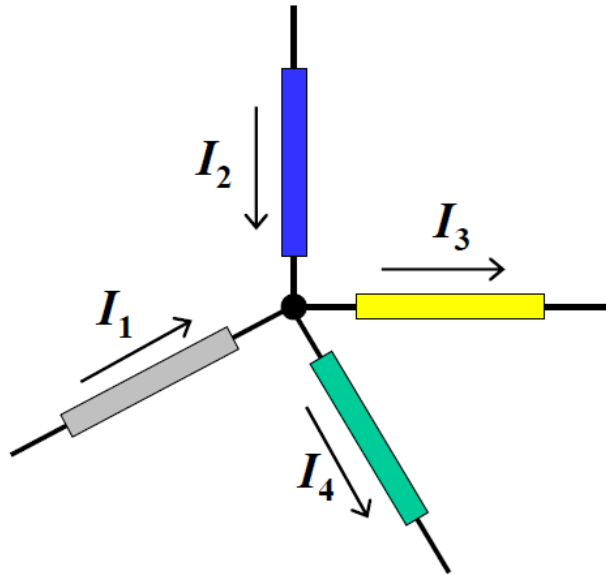
$$\sum_{i=1}^N I_i = 0$$

For KVL

$$\sum_{i=1}^N V_i = 0$$

Kirchhoff's Law - KCL

- Kirchhoff's Current Law (KCL)
 - The algebraic sum of all the currents at any node in a circuit equals zero
 - Use reference directions to determine whether currents are “entering” or “leaving” the node

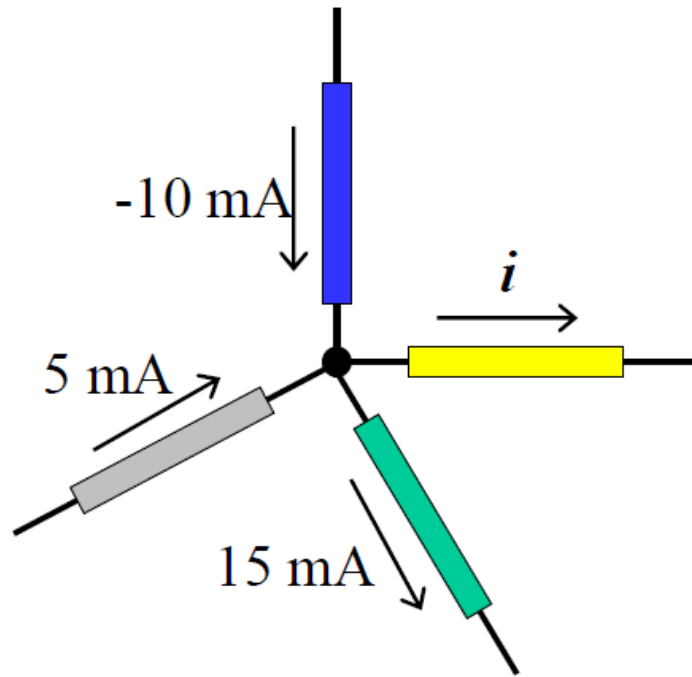


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Kirchhoff's Law - KCL

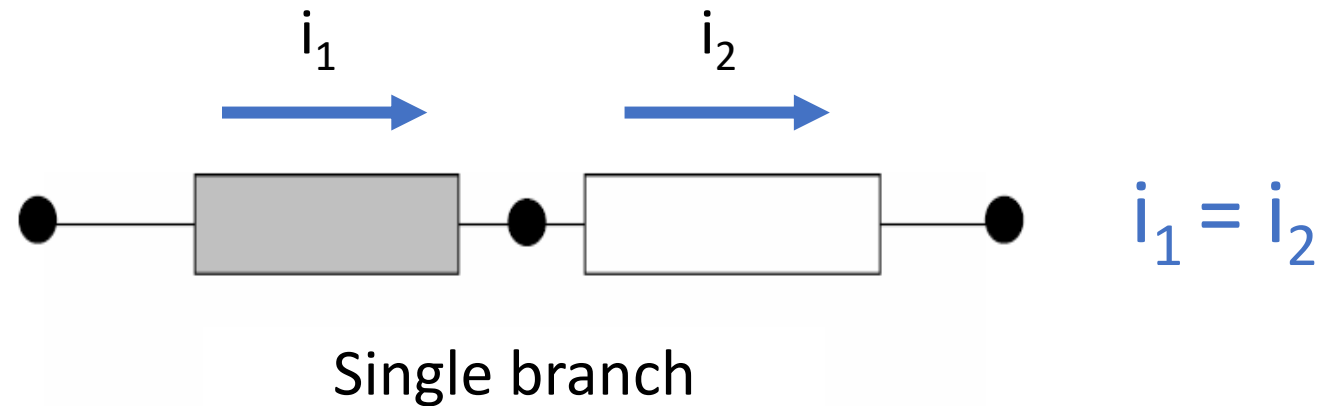
- Kirchhoff's Current Law (KCL)
 - algebraic sum of currents entering node = algebraic sum of currents leaving node



Kirchhoff's Law - KCL

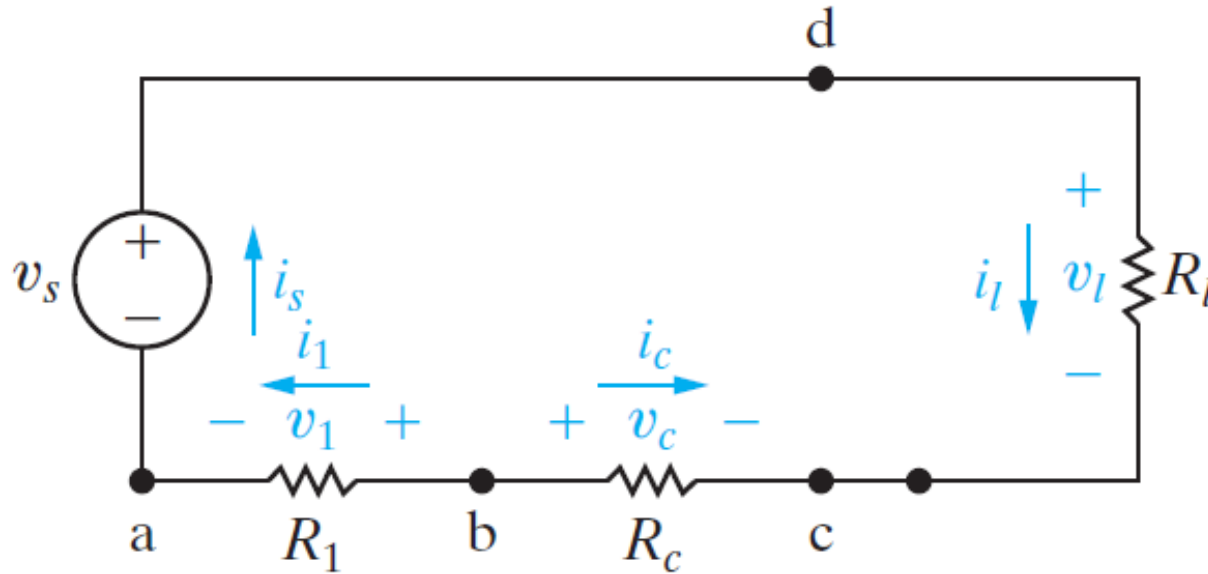
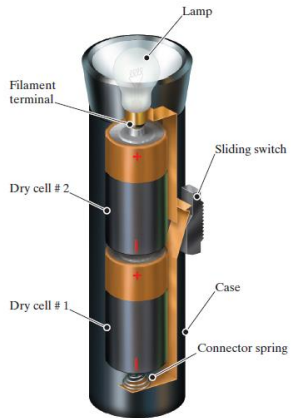
- Kirchhoff's Current Law (KCL)

- All of the elements in a single branch carry the same current. These components are connected in series.
current entering node = current leaving node



Kirchhoff's Law - KCL

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 - The algebraic sum of all the currents at any node in a circuit equals zero

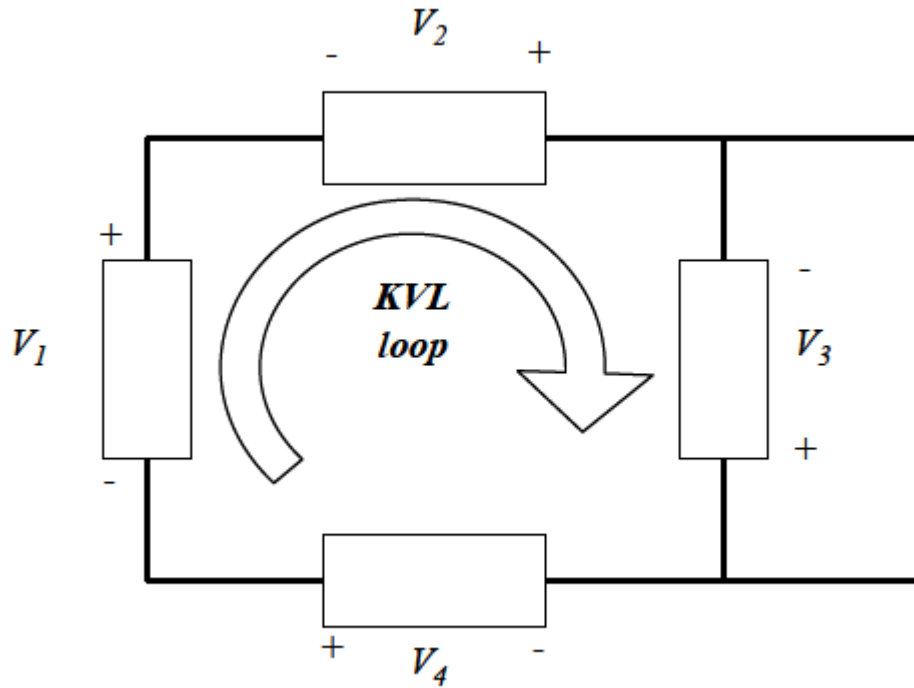


Using KCL,

Kirchhoff's Law - KVL

- Kirchhoff's Voltage Law (KVL)

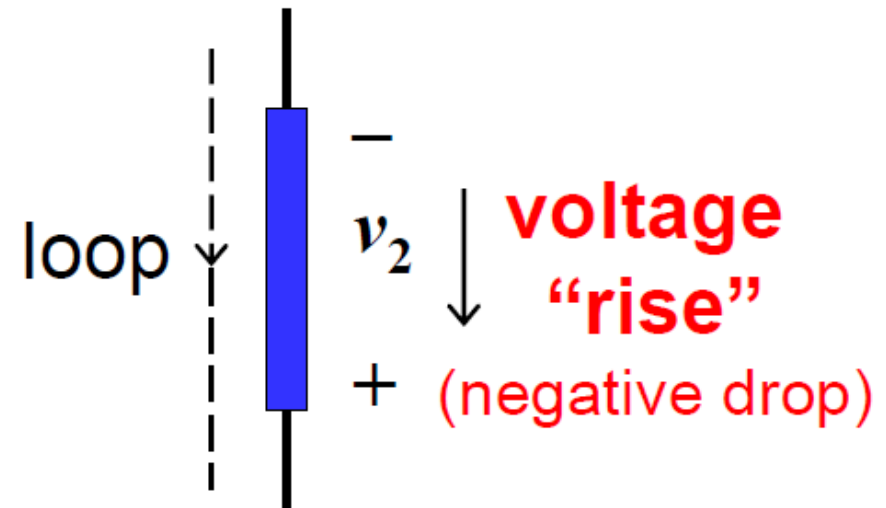
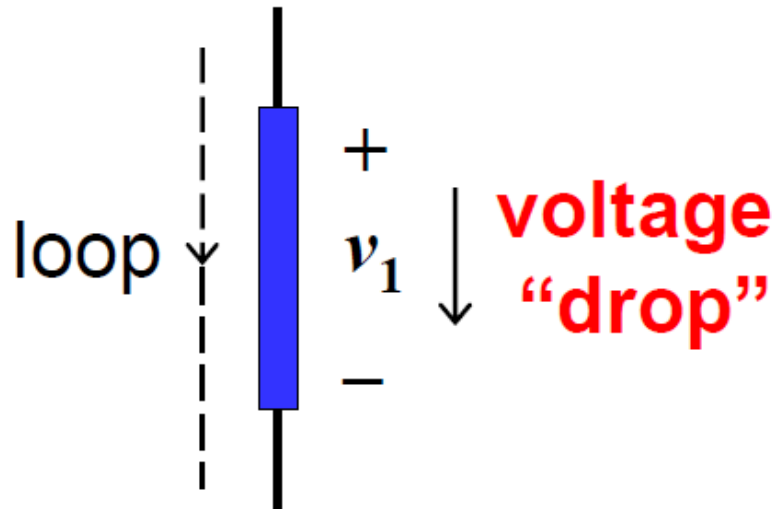
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$$\sum_{i=1}^N V_i = 0$$

Kirchhoff's Law - KVL

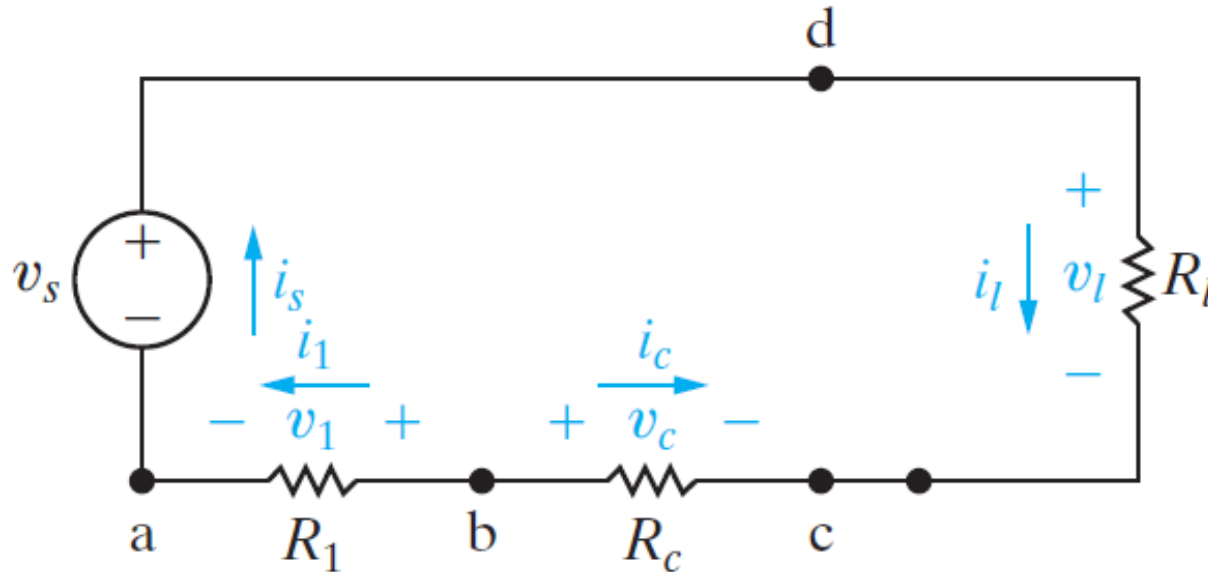
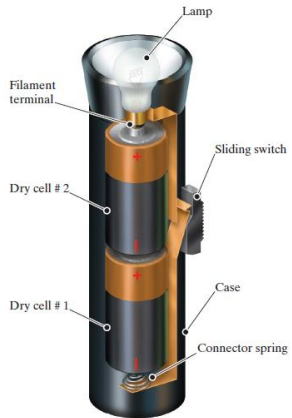
- Kirchhoff's Voltage Law (KVL)
 - Use reference polarities to determine whether a voltage is dropped



Kirchhoff's Law - KVL

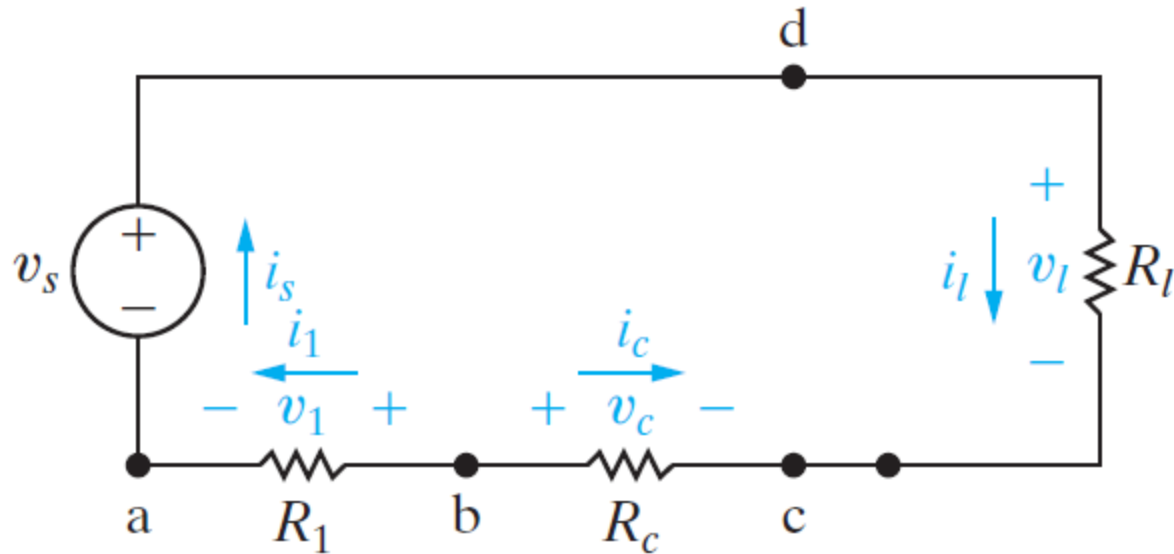
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Using KVL,

Ohm's law and Kirchhoff's Law



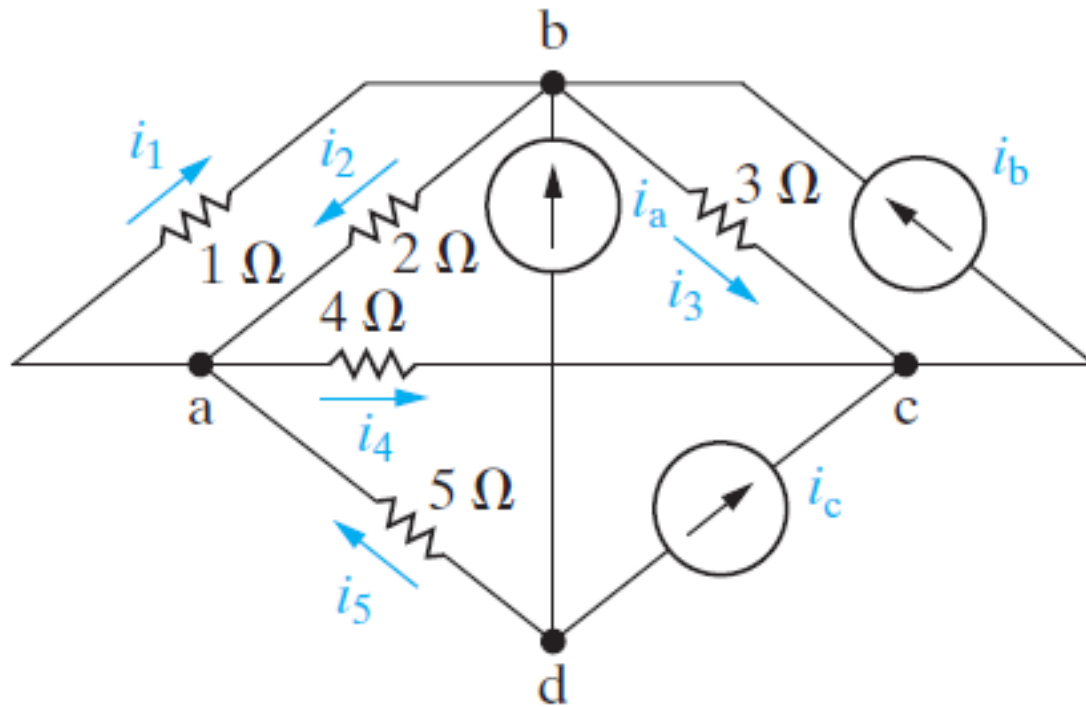
Using Ohm's law,

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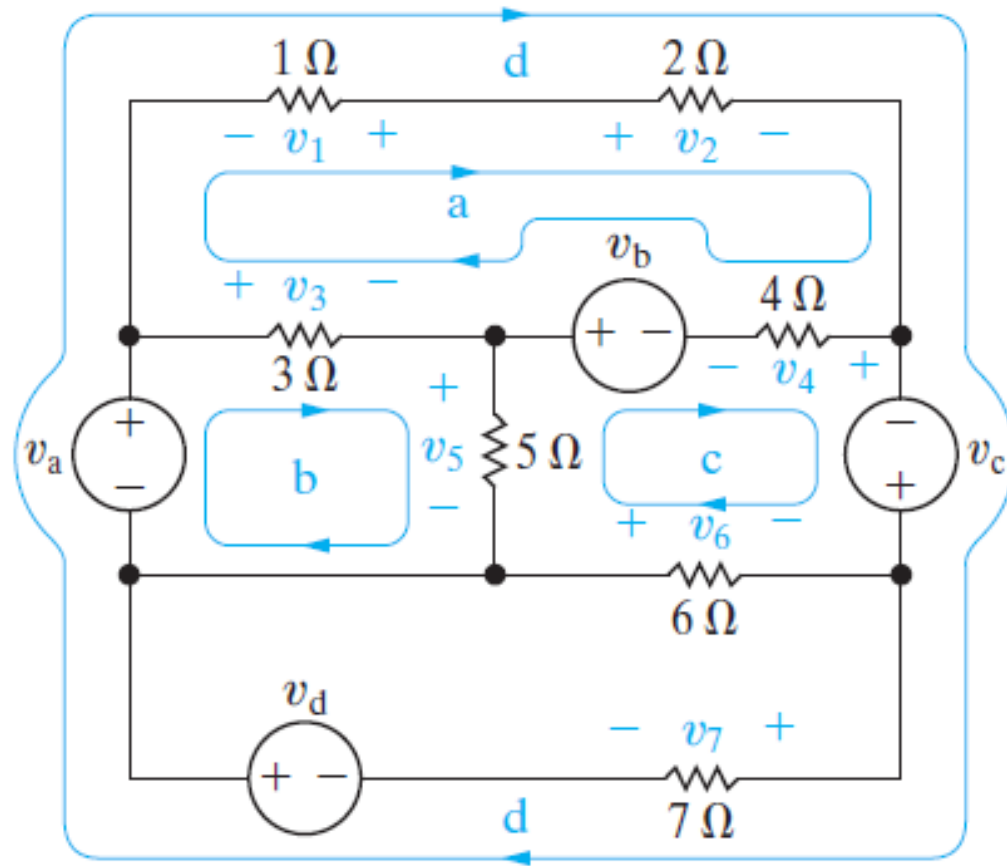
Example 2.6 – KCL

Q. Sum of currents at each node in the circuit



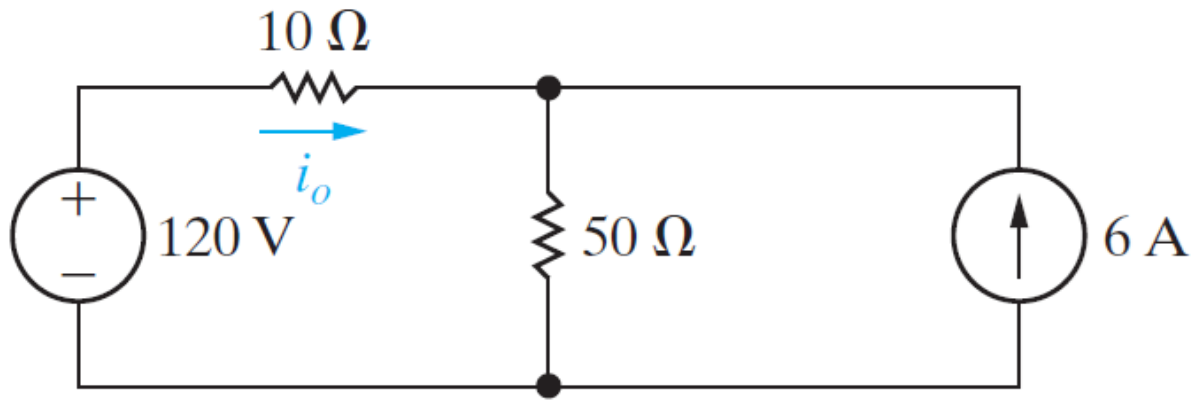
Example 2.7 – KVL

Q. Sum of voltages around each designated path in the circuit



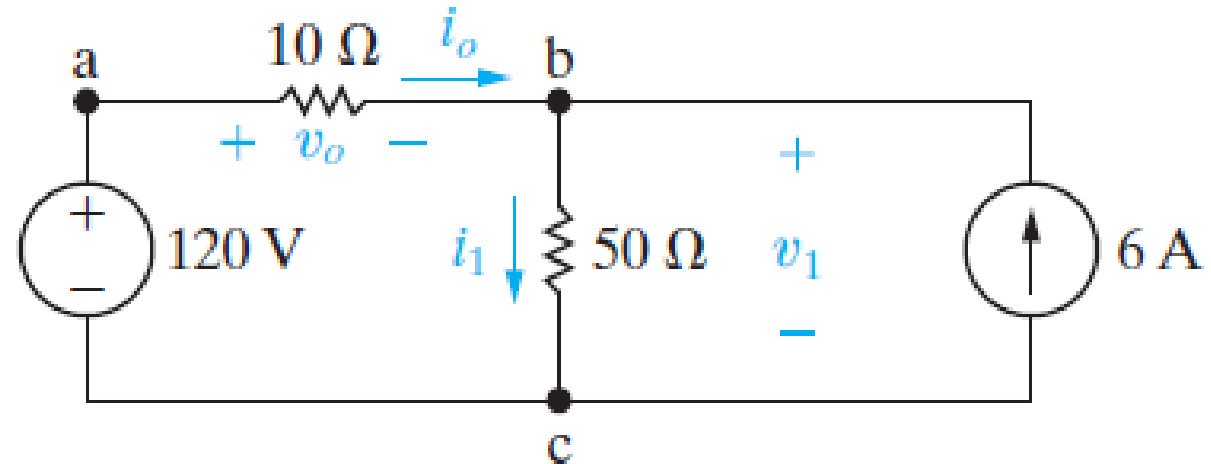
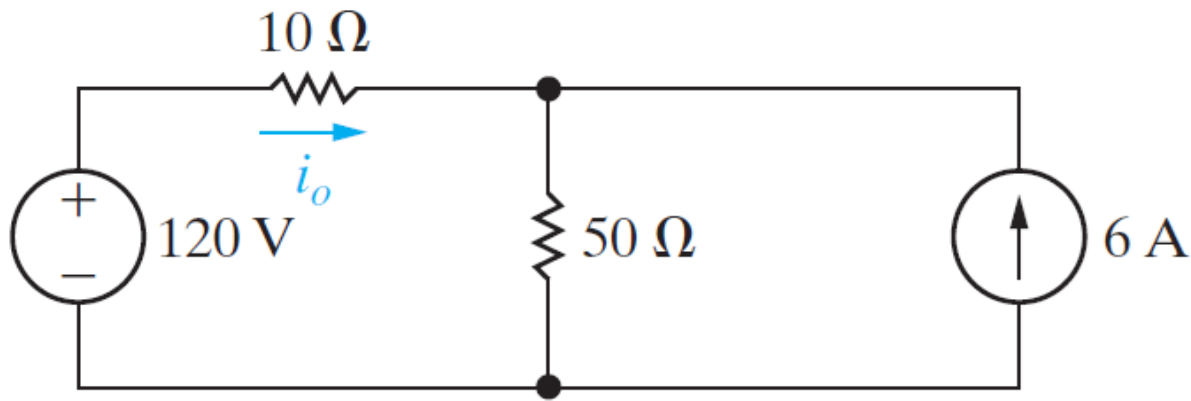
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b) Verify total power generated equals the total power dissipated



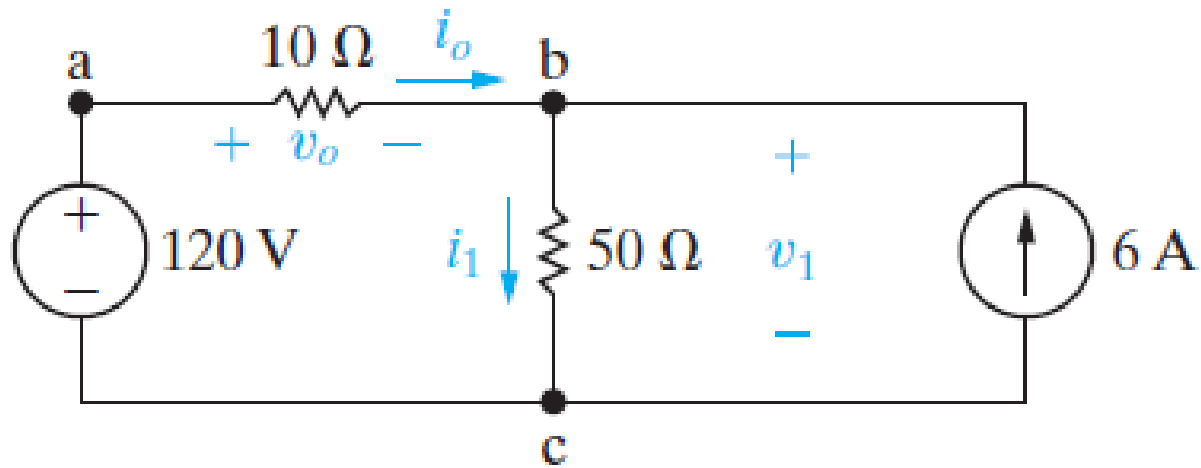
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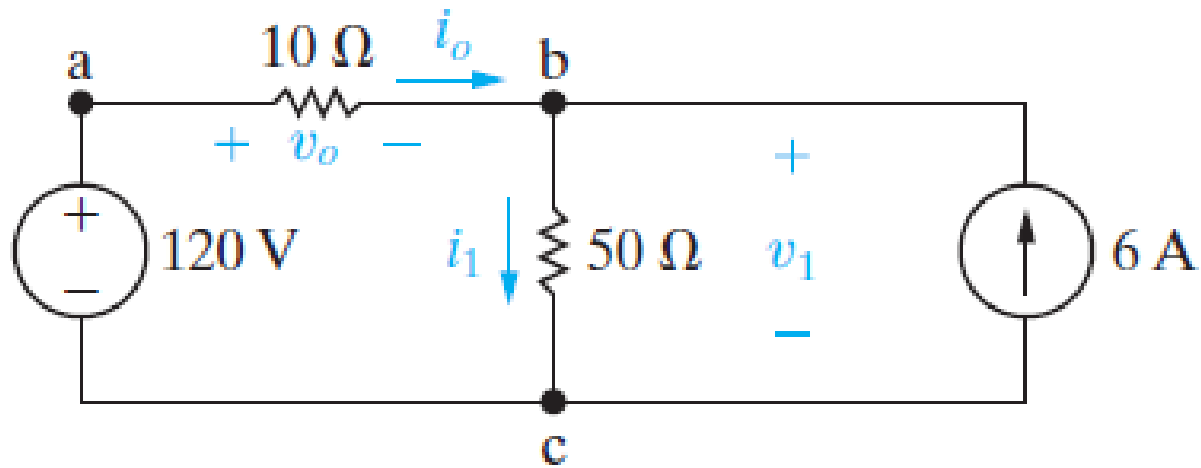
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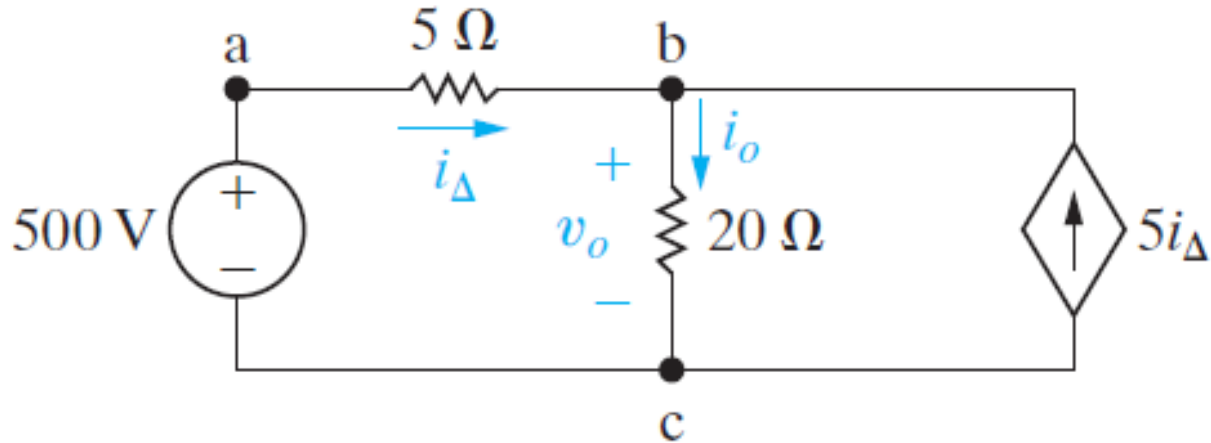


Example 2.8 – Power

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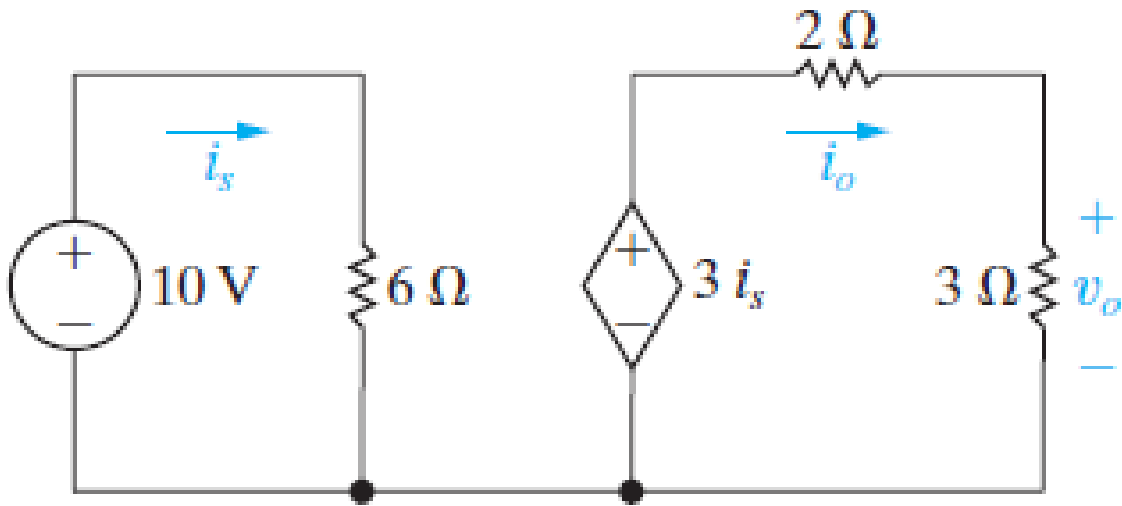


Circuit Containing Dependent Sources



Example 2.11

- Q. a) Use Kirchhoff's law and Ohm's law to find v_o
b) Verify total power generated equals the total power dissipated



Summary

- **Circuit elements**

Active elements: ideal voltage/current source

Passive elements: resistor/inductor/capacitor

- **Ohm's law**

The proportionality of voltage and current in a resistor

- **Kirchhoff's law**

Kirchhoff's Current Law (KCL): the algebraic sum of all the currents at any node in a circuit equals zero

Kirchhoff's Voltage Law (KVL): the algebraic sum of all the voltage around any closed path in a circuit equals zero