

# EEE103 ELECTRICAL CIRCUITS

## WEEK2-VOLTAGE AND CURRENT LAWS

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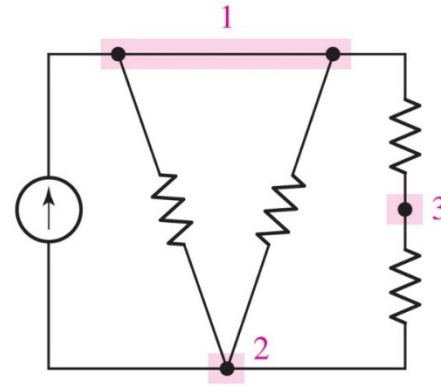
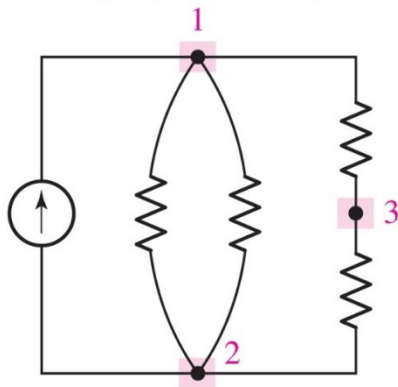
# Nodes, Paths, Loops, Branches

**Node:** A point at which two or more elements have a common connection.

**Path:** If no node was encountered more than once, then the set of nodes and elements that we have passed through is defined as a path.

**Loop (a closed path):** If the node at which we started is the same as the node on which we ended.

**Branch:** a branch as a single path in a network, composed of one simple element and the node at each end of that element



# Kirchhoff's Current Law

KCL: Algebraic sum of currents entering any node is zero.

$$i_A + i_B + (-i_C) + (-i_D) = 0$$

KCL: Alternative Forms:

Current *IN* is zero:

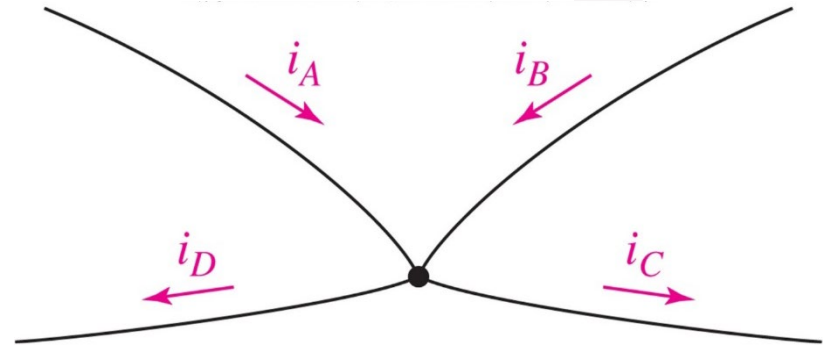
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Current *OUT* is zero:

$$(-i_A) + (-i_B) + i_C + i_D = 0$$

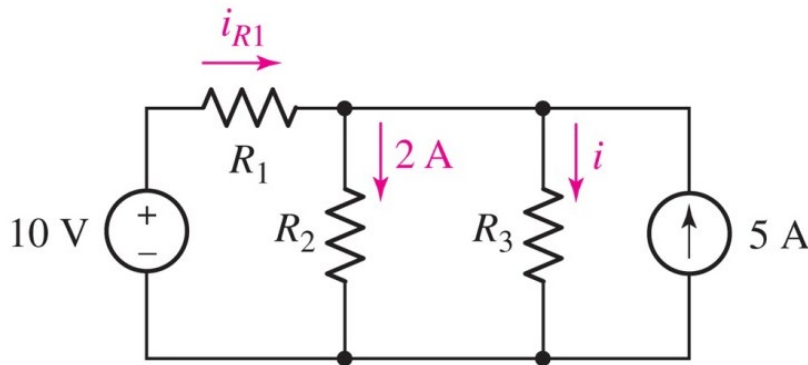
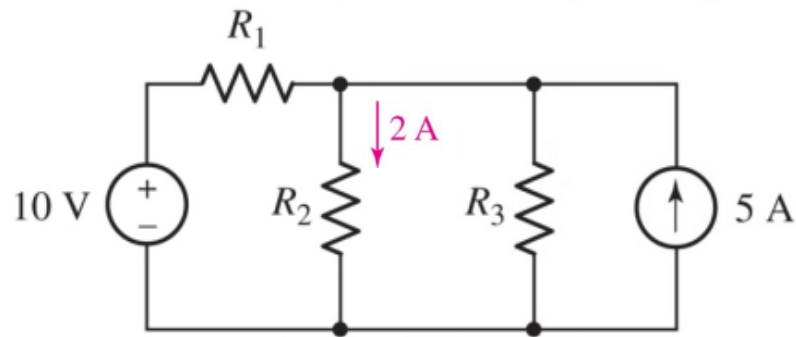
Current *IN* = *OUT*:

$$i_A + i_B = i_C + i_D$$



# Example of KCL Application

Find the current through resistor  $R_3$  if it is known that the voltage source supplies a current of 3 A, and the current through  $R_2$  is 2 A (as indicated).



Step1: Identify the goal of the problem.

Step2: Collect the known information.

Step3: Devise a plan

Step4: Construct an appropriate set of equation

$$i_{R1} - 2 - i + 5 = 0$$

Step5: Determine if additional information is required

Step6: Attempt a solution

$$i = 3 - 2 + 5 = 6 \text{ A}$$

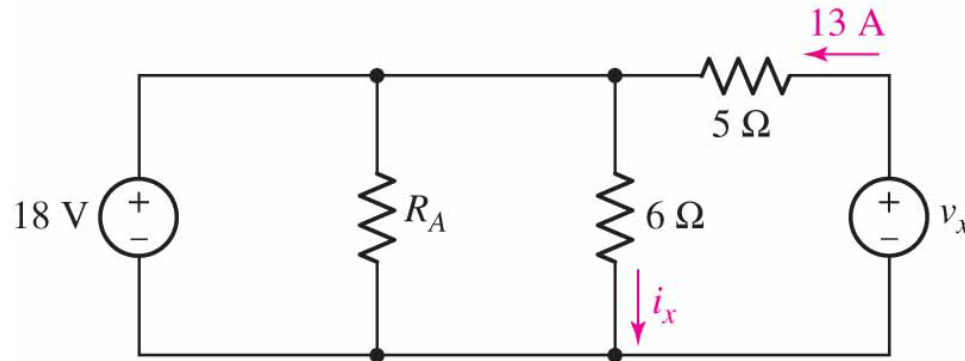
Step 7: Verify the solution. Is it reasonable or expected



# Example of KCL Application

(a) Count the number of branches and nodes in the circuit in the circuit

(b) If  $i_x = 3$  A and the 18 V source delivers 8 A of current, what is the value of  $R_A$ ? (Hint: You need Ohm's law as well as KCL.)



# Kirchhoff's Voltage Law

KVL: Algebraic sum of voltages around any closed path is zero.

Sum of *RISES* is zero (clockwise from B):

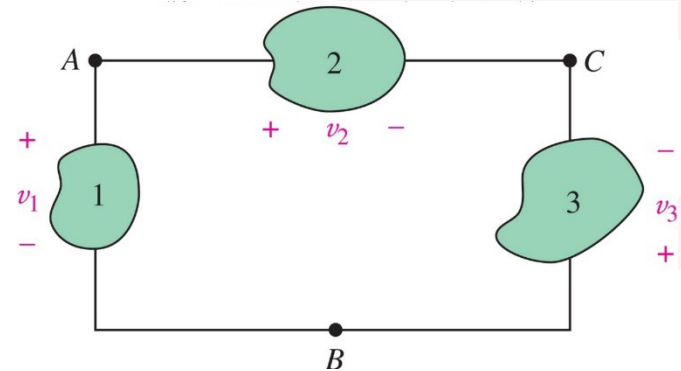
$$v_1 + (-v_2) + v_3 = 0$$

Sum of *DROPS* is zero (clockwise from B):

$$(-v_1) + v_2 + (-v_3) = 0$$

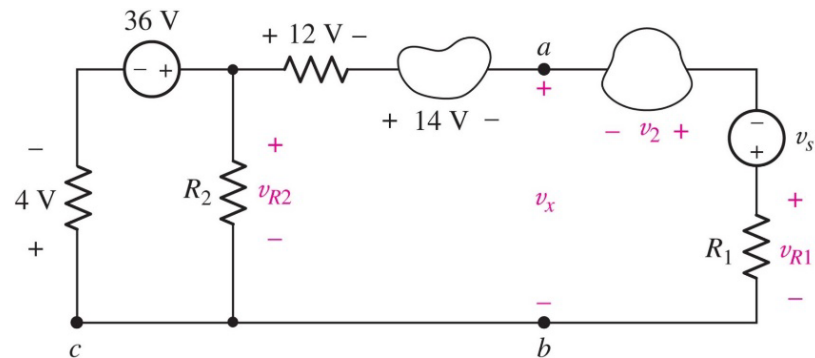
Two paths, same voltage (A to B):

$$v_1 = (-v_3) + v_2$$



# Example: Applying KVL

Find  $v_{R2}$  (the voltage across  $R_2$ ) and the voltage  $v_x$ .



Setp 1: Identify the loop that we can apply KVL

Step 2: Apply KVL to loop 1 (start at point c):

$$4 - 36 + v_{R2} = 0$$

$$v_{R2} = 32V$$

Step 3: Apply KVL to loop 2 (start at point c):

$$4 - 36 + 12 + 14 + v_x = 0$$

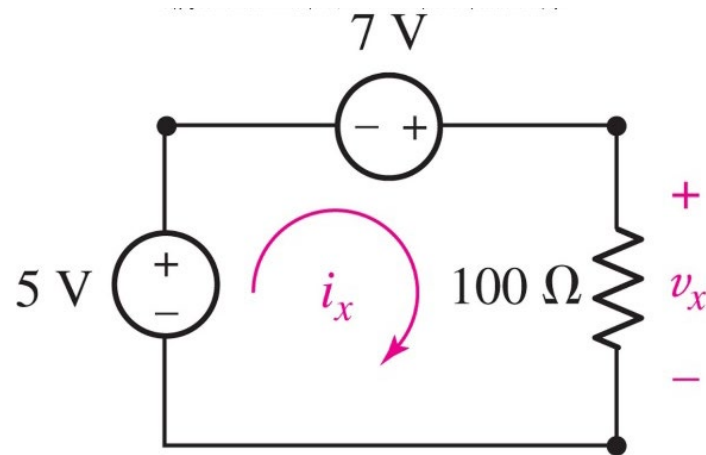
$$v_x = 6V$$





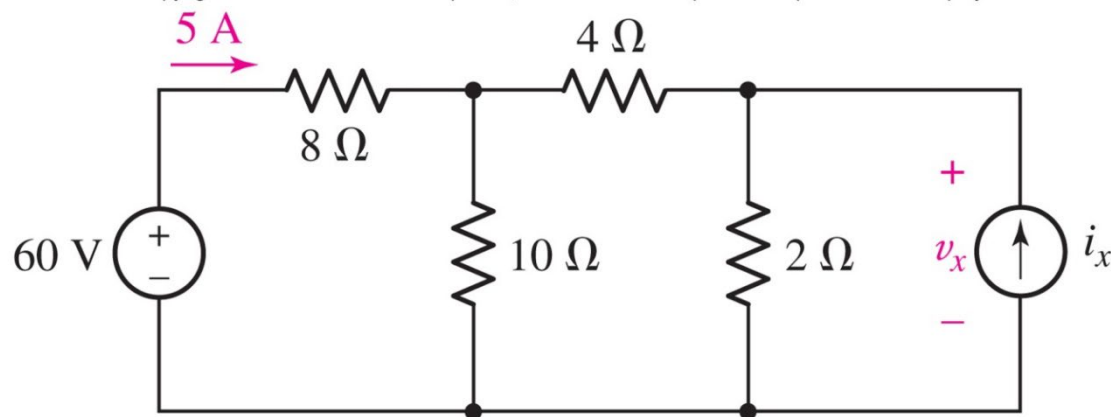
# Applying KCL, KVL, Ohm's Law

Example: find the current  $i_x$  and the voltage  $v_x$



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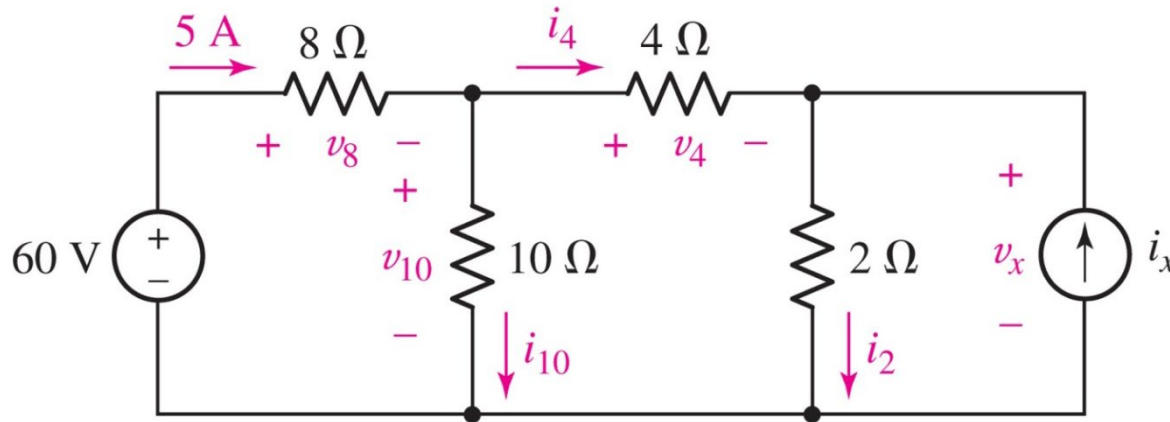


*Label all the currents and voltages on the elements in the circuit.*



# Applying KCL, KVL, Ohm's Law

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Step 1-3: Identify the goal of the problem. Collect the known information. and Devise a plan

Apply KVL to loop 1:  $-60 + v_8 + v_{10} = 0$

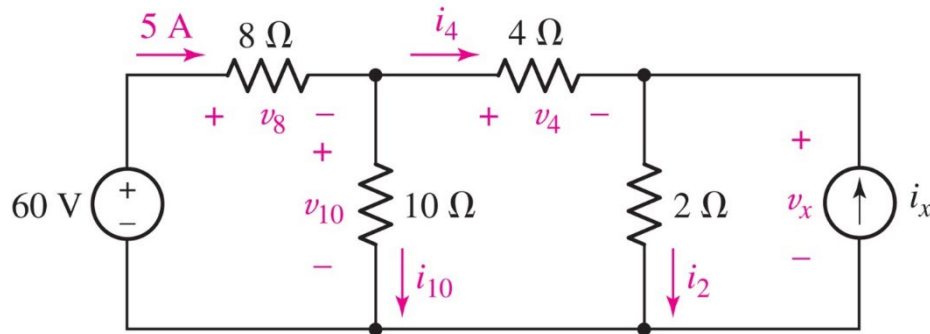
Apply KVL to loop 2 :  $-v_{10} + v_4 + v_x = 0$

4 unknown variables  
2 equations



# Applying KCL, KVL, Ohm's Law

Example: solve for the voltage  $v_x$  and the current  $i_x$



$$-60 + v_8 + v_{10} = 0 \quad (1)$$

$$-v_{10} + v_4 + v_x = 0 \quad (2)$$

$v_8$ : Apply Ohm's Law:  $v_8 = 5A * 8\Omega = 40V$

$v_{10}$ : From eq (1):  $v_{10} = 20V$

Eq(2) reduced to :  $v_x = 20 - v_4$

$v_4$ : Apply KCL:  $i_4 = 5 - i_{10} = 5 - \frac{v_{10}}{10} = 3A$

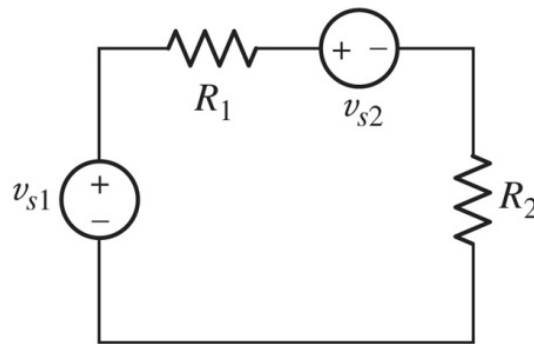
$$v_4 = 4 * 3 = 12V$$

$v_x$  :  $v_x = 20 - 12 = 8V$

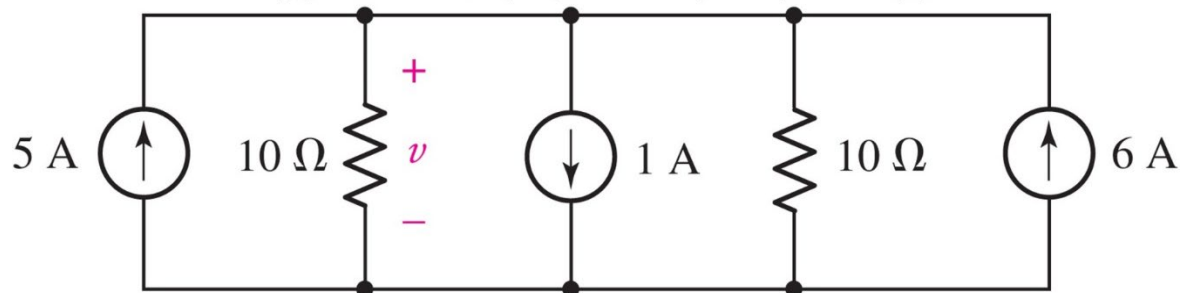


# Series & Parallel Connections

All of the elements in a circuit that carry the same current are said to be connected in **series**.

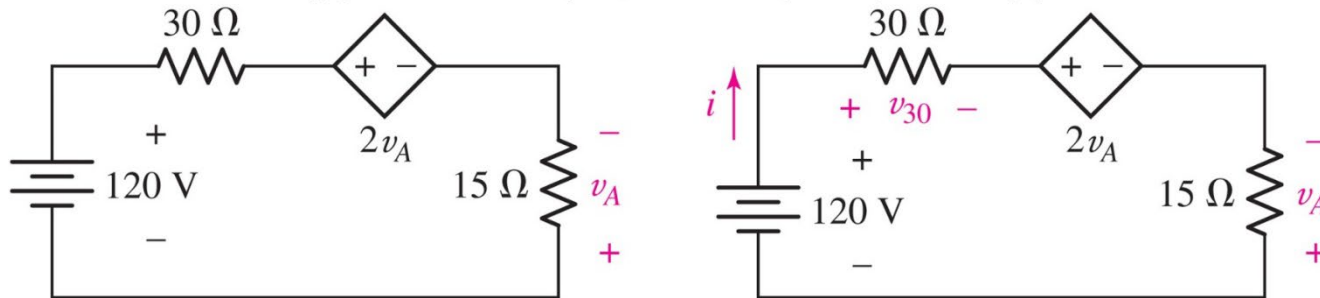


Elements in a circuit having a common voltage across them are said to be connected in **parallel**.



# Example: Single Loop Circuit

Calculate the power *absorbed* by each circuit element.



Assign a reference direction for current  $i$  and a reference polarity for the voltage  $v_{30}$  (the current in the loop are the same everywhere)

Apply KVL:  $-120 + v_{30} + 2v_A - v_A = 0$

Using Ohm's law to introduce the known resistor values:

$$v_{30} = 30i \quad \text{and} \quad v_A = -15i$$

$$-120 + 30i - 30i + 15i = 0 \quad (i=8A)$$

$$p_{120V} = 120(-8) = -960W$$

$$p_{30\Omega} = (8)^2 * 30 = 1920W$$

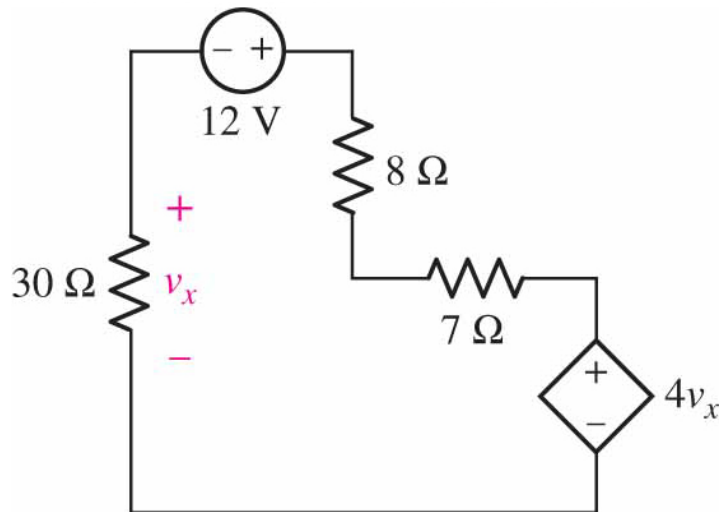
$$p_{dep} = (2v_A) * 8 = -1920W$$

$$p_{15\Omega} = (8)^2 * 15 = 960W$$



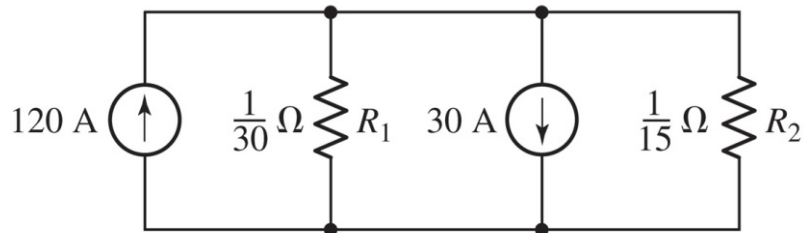
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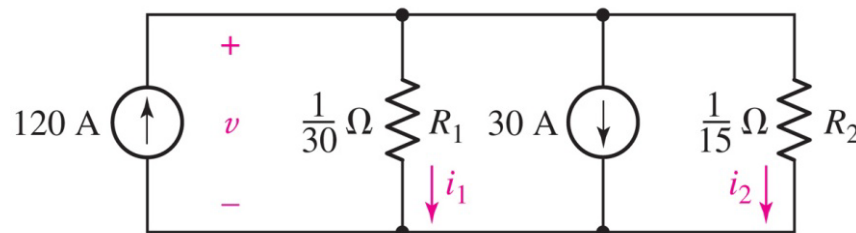


# Example: Single-Node-Pair<sub>1</sub>

Find the voltage, current, and power associated with each element in the circuit (a).



(a)



(b)

Assign a reference direction for current  $i_1$  and  $i_2$  a reference polarity for the voltage  $v$ , see fig.(b) (the voltage across the same node pair are the same)

Apply KCL to the upper node:  $-120 + i_1 + 30 + i_2 = 0$

Using Ohm's law :  $i_1 = 30v$  and  $i_2 = 15v$

$$-120 + 30v + 30 + 15v = 0 \quad (v=2V)$$

$$i_1 = 60A \quad \text{and} \quad i_2 = 30A$$

$$p_{R1} = (2)^2 * 30 = 120W$$

$$p_{120A} = (-2) * 120 = -240W$$

$$p_{R2} = (2)^2 * 15 = 60W$$

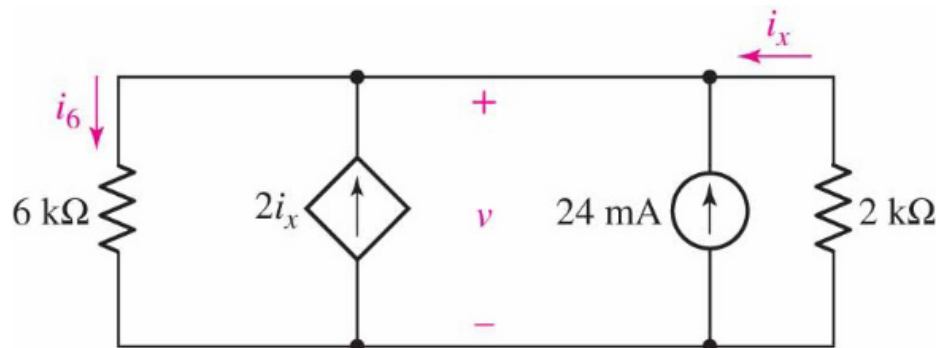
$$p_{30A} = 2 * 30 = 60W$$





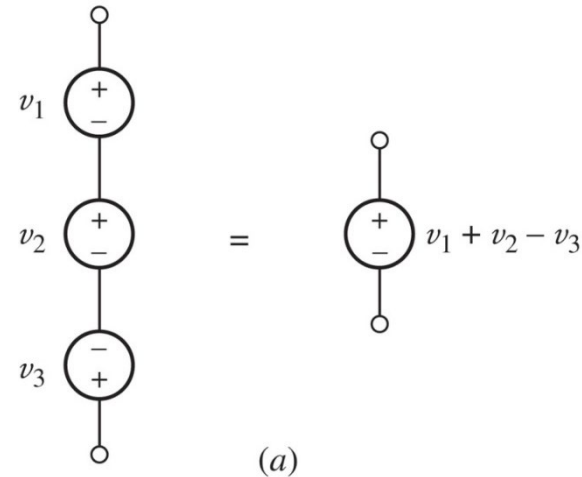
## Example: Single-Node-Pair<sub>2</sub>

Determine the value of  $v$  and the power supplied by the independent current source.

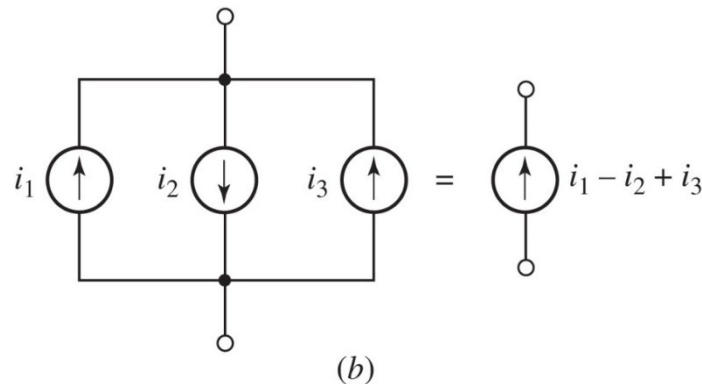


# Series and Parallel Sources

Voltage sources connected in **series** can be combined into an equivalent voltage source:

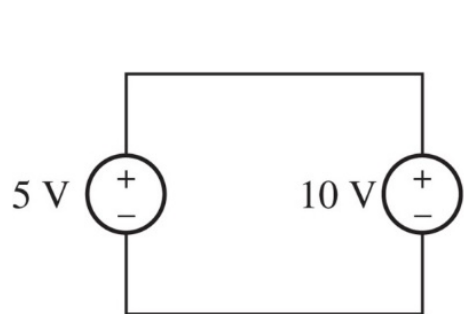


Current sources connected in **parallel** can be combined into an equivalent current source:

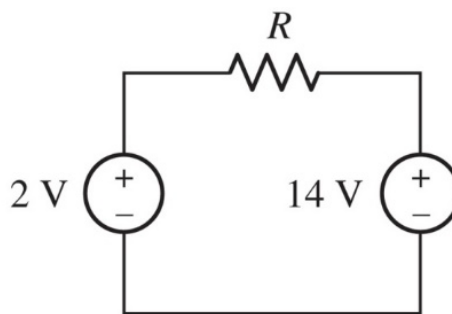


# Impossible Circuits

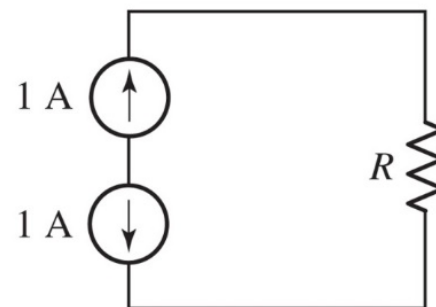
Our circuit models are idealizations that can lead to apparent physical absurdities:



(a)



(b)

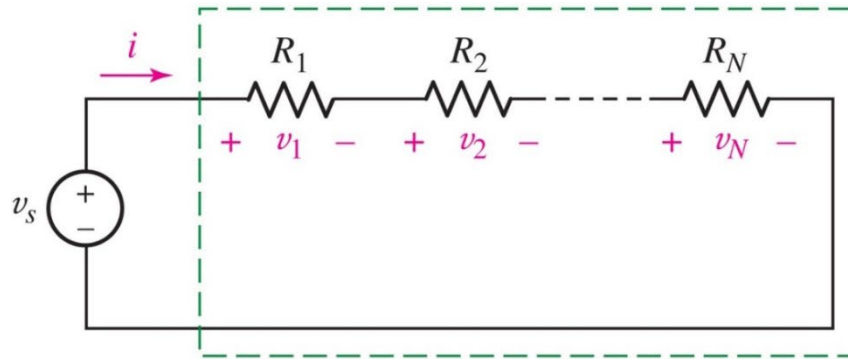


(c)

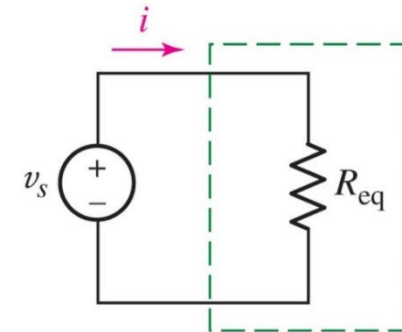
$V_s$  in parallel (a) and  $I_s$  in series (c) can lead to “impossible circuits”



# Resistors in Series



(a)



(b)

Using KVL :  $v_s = v_1 + v_2 + \dots + v_N$

Using Ohm's Law:  $v_s = iR_1 + iR_2 + \dots + iR_N$   
 $= i(R_1 + R_2 + \dots + R_N)$

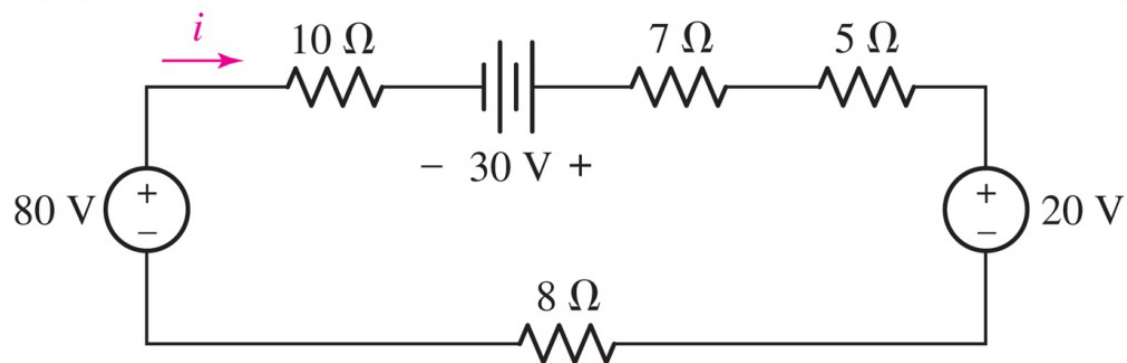
$$R_{eq} = R_1 + R_2 + \dots + R_N$$

$$v_s = iR_{eq}$$



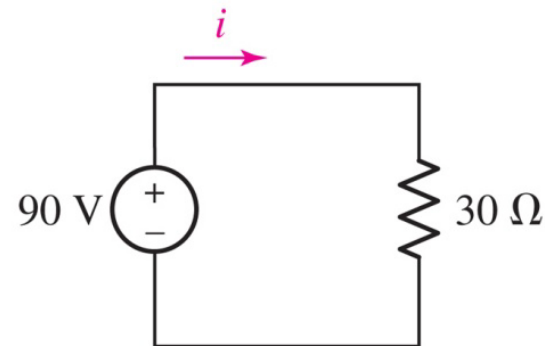
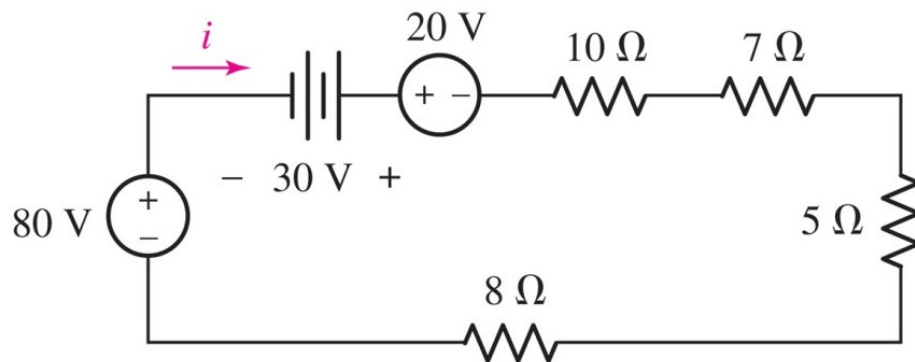
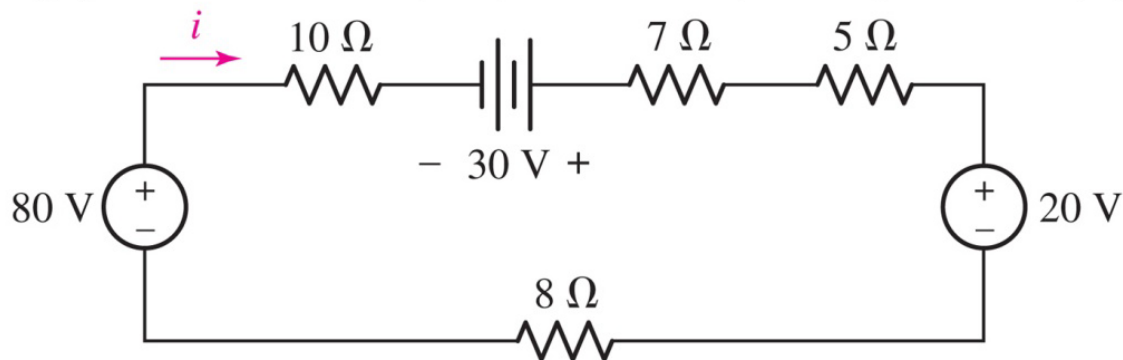
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Find  $i$  and the power supplied by the 80 V source.

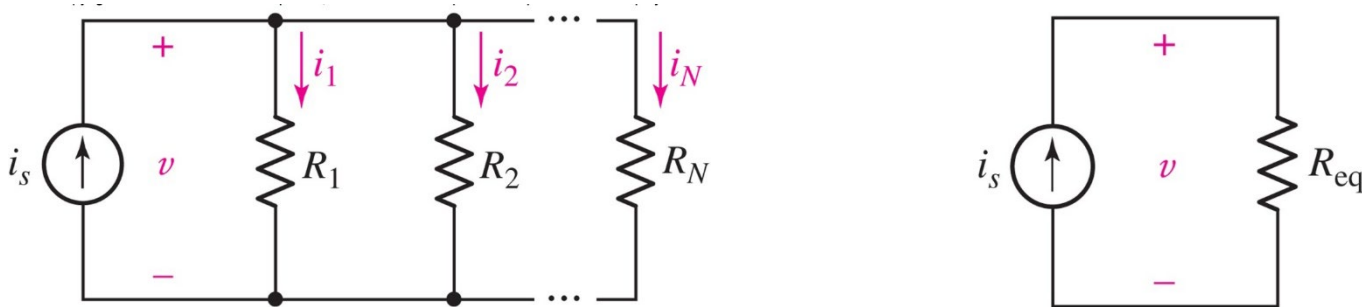


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# Resistors in Parallel



Using KCL :  $i_s = i_1 + i_2 + \dots + i_N$

Using Ohm's Law:  $i_s = v/R_1 + v/R_2 + \dots + v/R_N$   
 $= v(1/R_1 + 1/R_2 + \dots + 1/R_N)$

$$\boxed{\frac{1}{R_{eq}} = \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} + \dots + \frac{1}{R_N}}$$

$$i_s = v/R_{eq}$$



# Two Resistors in Parallel

$$\frac{1}{R_{\text{eq}}} = \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} R_{\text{eq}} &= R_1 \parallel R_2 \\ &= \frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2}} \end{aligned}$$

Two resistors in parallel can be combined using the

**product / sum**

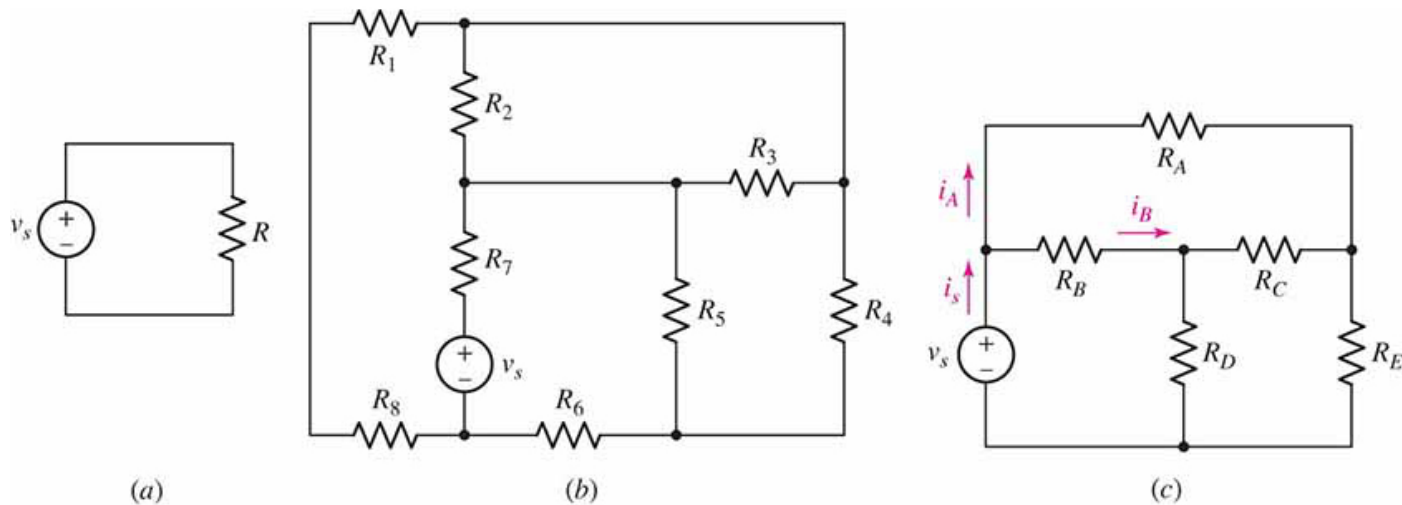
$$R_{\text{eq}} = \frac{R_1 R_2}{R_1 + R_2}$$

Connecting resistors in parallel makes the result *smaller*





# Example: Resistor in Series/Parallel

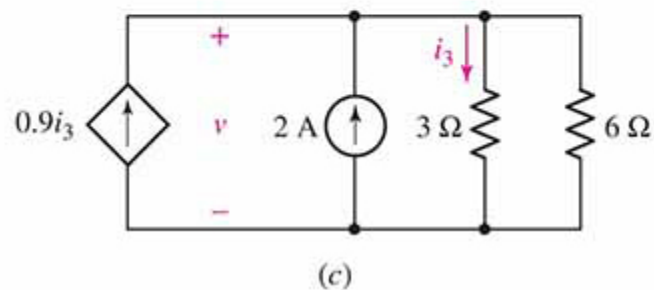
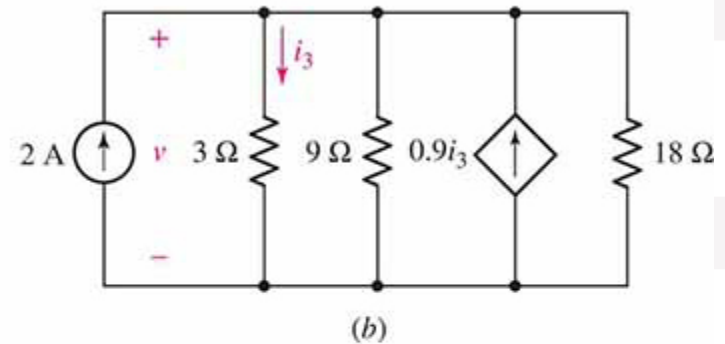
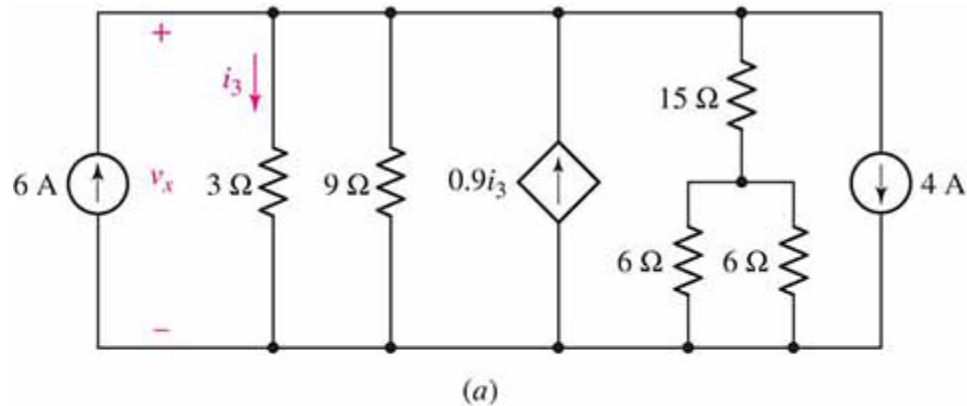


- (a) These two circuit elements are both in series and in parallel.
- (b)  $R_2$  and  $R_3$  are in parallel, and  $R_1$  and  $R_8$  are in series.
- (c) There are no circuit elements either in series or in parallel with one another.



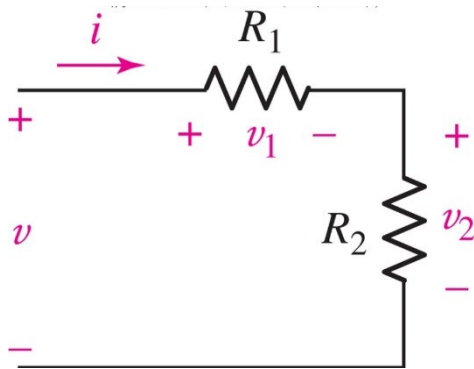
# Example: Circuit Simplifying

Calculate the power and voltage of the dependent source



# Voltage Division

Resistors in series “share” the applied voltage.



$$v = v_1 + v_2 = i(R_1 + R_2)$$

$$i = \frac{v}{R_1 + R_2}$$

$$v_1 = iR_1, \quad v_2 = iR_2$$

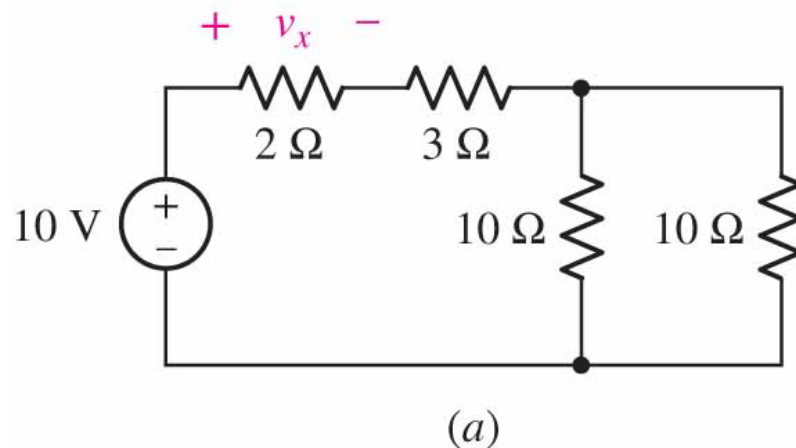
$$v_1 = \frac{R_1}{R_1 + R_2} v$$

$$v_2 = \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} v$$



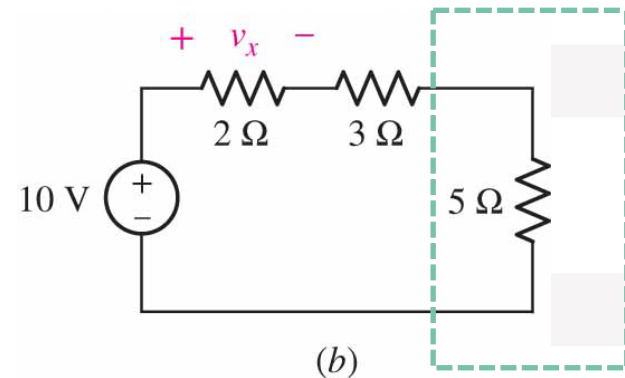
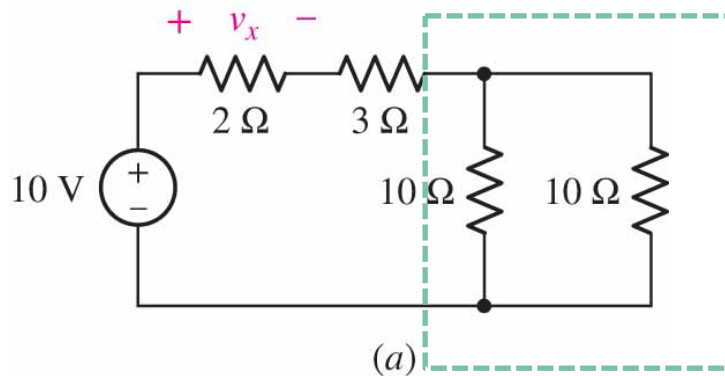
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1. Calculate Parallel Resistors  $R_{eq} = \frac{R_1 R_2}{R_1 + R_2}$

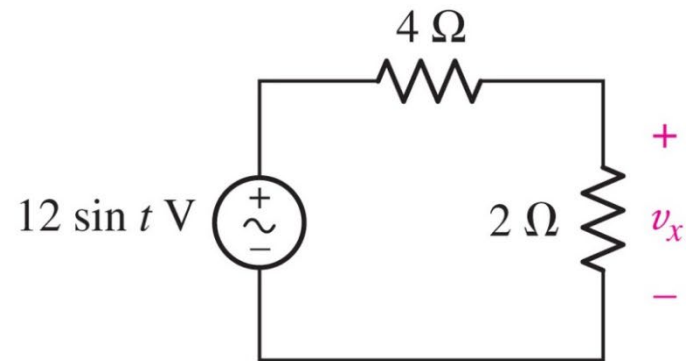
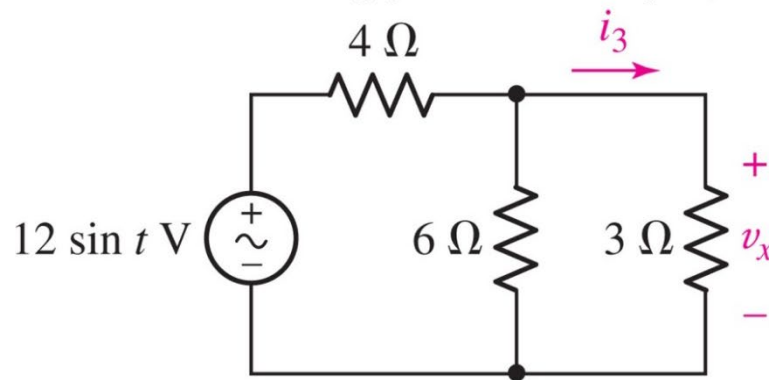
2. Apply voltage division:

$$v_x = 10 \frac{2}{2 + 3 + 5} = 2V$$



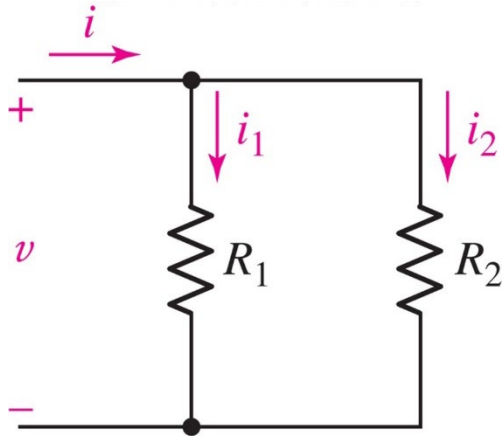
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# Current Division

Resistors in parallel “share” current through them.



$$i_1 = i \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2}$$

$$i_2 = i \frac{R_1}{R_1 + R_2}$$

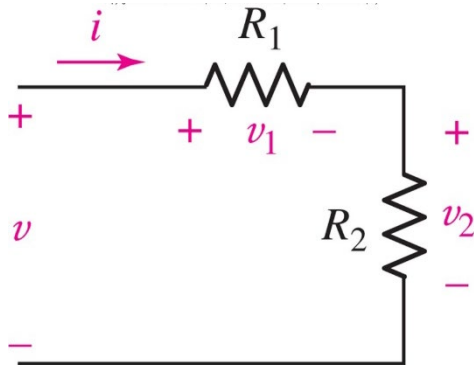
$$i = i_1 + i_2 = v/R_1 + v/R_2$$

$$v = \frac{R_1 R_2}{R_1 + R_2} i$$

$$i_1 = v/R_1, \quad i_2 = v/R_2$$

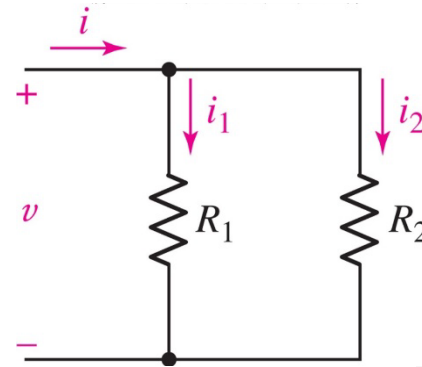


# Voltage Division vs. Current Division



$$v_1 = \frac{R_1}{R_1 + R_2} v$$

$$v_2 = \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} v$$



$$i_1 = i \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2}$$

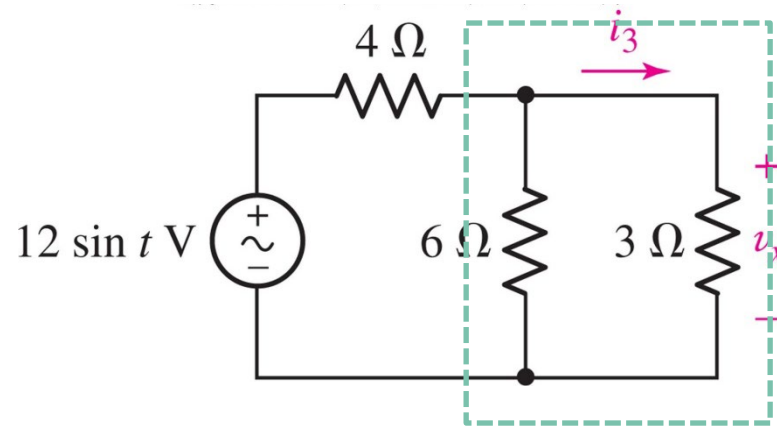
$$i_2 = i \frac{R_1}{R_1 + R_2}$$





# Example: Current Division

Find  $i_3(t)$



1. Calculate Parallel Resistors  $R_{eq} = \frac{R_1 R_2}{R_1 + R_2}$
2. The total current flowing in to the equivalent resistor:

$$i(t) = \frac{12 \sin t}{4 + R_{eq}} = 2 \sin t \text{ A}$$

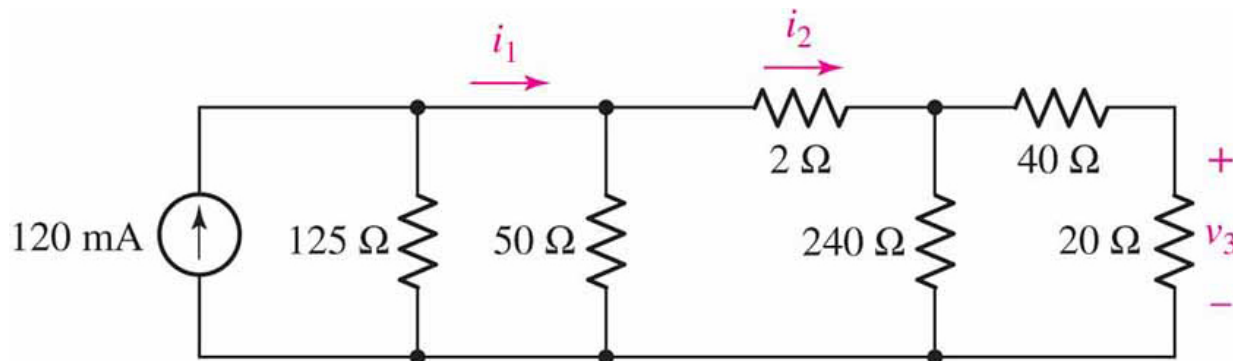
3. Apply current division:

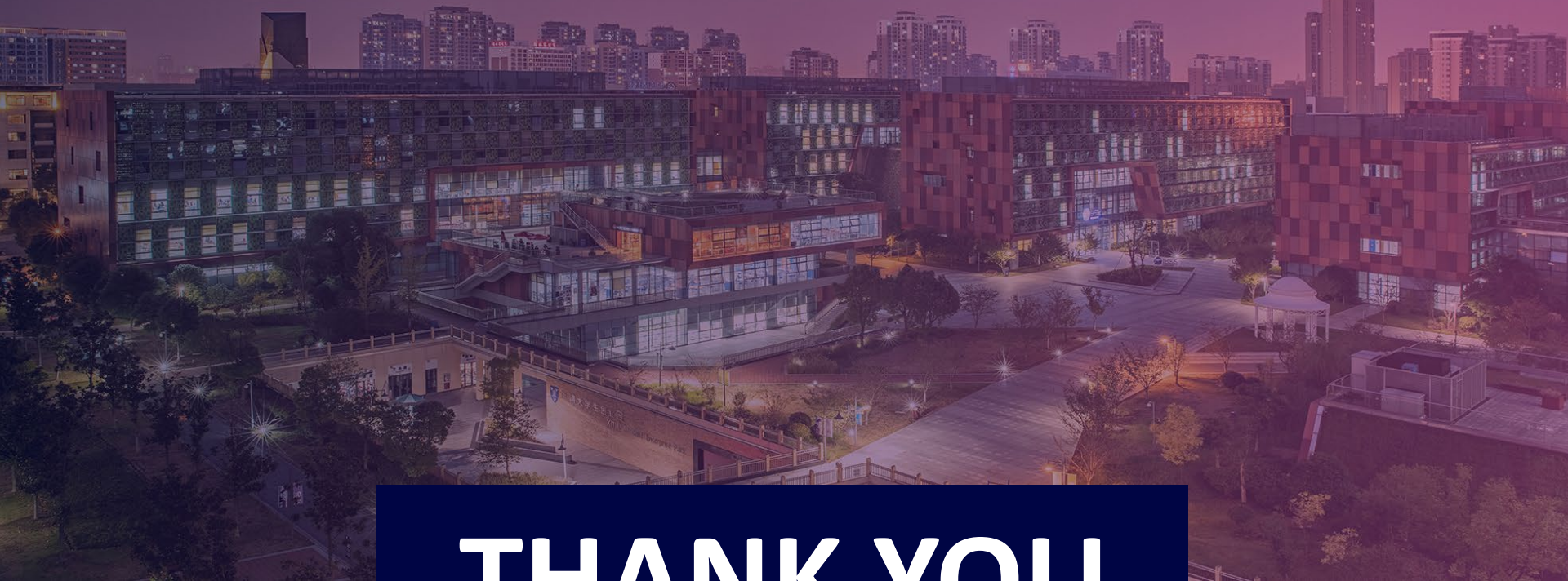
$$i_3 = 2 \sin t \frac{6}{3 + 6} = \frac{4}{3} \sin t \text{ A}$$



# Example: Circuit Analysis

In the circuit below, use resistance combination methods and current division to find  $i_1$ ,  $i_2$ , and  $v_3$ .





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