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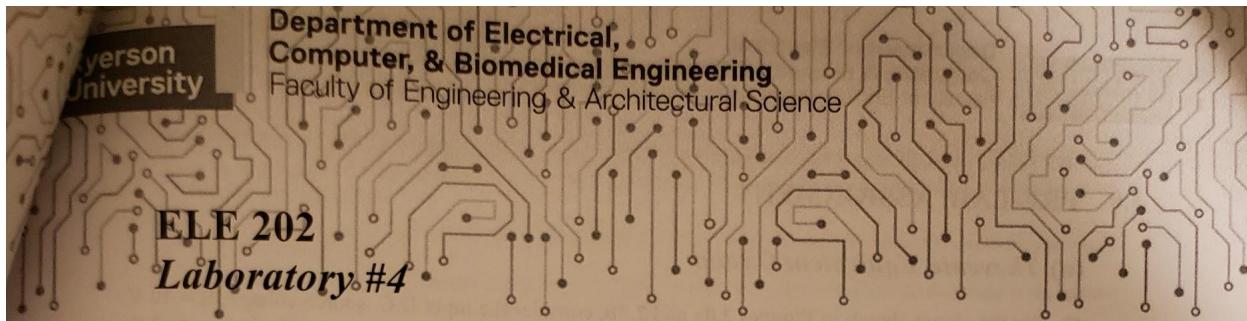
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Circuit Theorems and the Superposition Principle

1.0 INTRODUCTION

A complex linear circuit network often consists of combinations of linear elements, linear dependent sources and linear independent sources. Circuit theorems (and related procedures) can be used to reduce such complex circuits to simpler ones, thereby making the circuit analysis that much simpler using *nodal* voltage or *mesh* current techniques.

- **Thevenin's** and **Norton's** theorems allow the isolation of a portion of a circuit network while the remaining portion of the network is replaced by an equivalent network. Related to these theorems is the **Source Transformation** technique for simplifying circuits, which is the process of replacing a voltage source in series with a resistor, by a current source in parallel with a resistor, and *vice versa*.
- **Maximum Power Transfer** theorem states that the maximum power gets delivered (by the source) to the load when the load resistance (R_L) equals the Thevenin's resistance (R_{Th}) as seen at the terminal of the load.

The **Principle of Superposition** is a conceptual aid that can be very useful in visualizing the behavior of a circuit or network system containing multiple sources. This principle states that when a number of independent input sources are applied simultaneously to a linear network, the response is the sum of the responses due to *each* input acting alone. Hence, the Superposition principle helps simplify the analysis of circuits with multiple independent sources by allowing the voltage across (or current through) any element to be obtained by adding algebraically all the individual voltages (or currents) caused by *each* independent source acting *alone*, with all other independent voltage sources replaced by *short-circuits* and all other independent current sources replaced by *open-circuits*.

Note: A **two-terminal network** is defined when interconnections of circuit elements *inside a box* have only two accessible terminals for connection to other networks.

References: (i) Course Textbook: "*Fundamentals of Electric Circuits*" by C. K. Alexander and M. N. O. Sadiku; and (ii) "*Linear Circuit Analysis*" by R. A. DeCarlo and P-M. Lin.

2.0 OBJECTIVES

- To analyze and examine the *Thevenin's* equivalent circuit of a *two-terminal* source network, and verify the *maximum power transfer* theorem; and
- To analyze and experimentally verify the *Superposition Principle*.

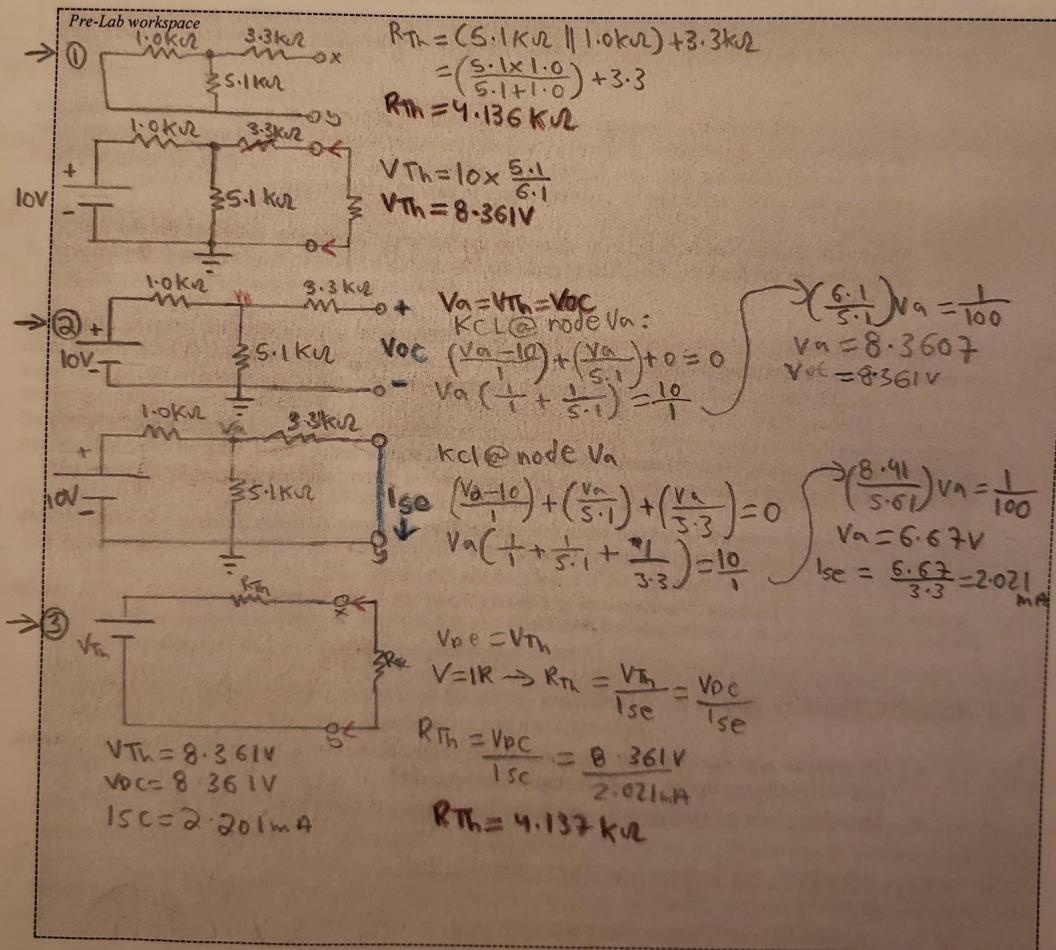
3.0 REQUIRED LAB EQUIPMENT & PARTS

- Digital Multimeter (DMM) and Power Supply
- ELE202 Lab Kit:- various components, breadboard, wires and jumpers.

4.0 PRE-LAB: ASSIGNMENT

(a) Thevenin Equivalent Circuit

- (i) For the circuit shown in **Figures 2.0a** and **2.0b**, consider the input D.C. source voltage, $E = 10\text{ V}$.
 (1) Determine the Thevenin's equivalent circuit of the two-terminal source network in **Figure 2.0a** by finding the Thevenin voltage, V_{Th} and the Thevenin resistor, R_{Th} as shown in **Figure 2.0c**; (2) referring to circuits in **Figure 2.0b**, use either nodal-voltage or mesh-current technique to find the respective open-circuit voltage, V_{OC} and short-circuit current, I_{SC} ; and (3) use the Thevenin equivalent circuit model in **Figure 2.0c** to show that $V_{Th} = V_{OC}$, and $R_{Th} = V_{OC}/I_{SC}$. Show all your analysis below, and record your results in **Table 2.0**.



- (ii) Construct the circuits of **Figure 2.0b** in MultiSIM, and measure corresponding open-circuit voltage, V_{OC} and short-circuit current, I_{SC} ; and then determine V_{Th} and R_{Th} from these values. Record your results in **Table 2.0**.
- Copy and paste a screenshot showing one MultiSIM readings on the circuit. Include the MultiSIM circuit file (.ms14) in your Pre-Lab submission.
 - All screenshots should show your name printed on the center-top of the MultiSIM screen and the timestamp at the bottom-lower corner.

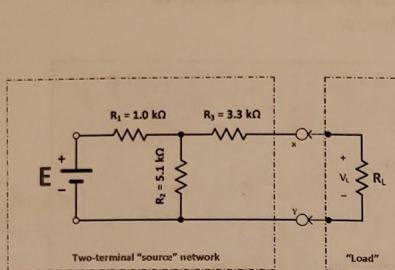


Figure 2.0a: Original Circuit

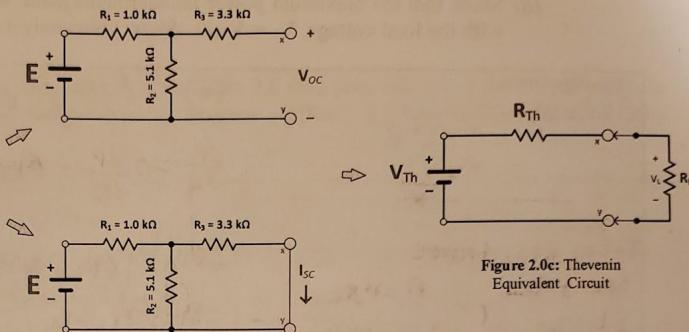


Figure 2.0c: Thevenin Equivalent Circuit

Figure 2.0b: In-circuit measurements for V_{Th} and R_{Th}

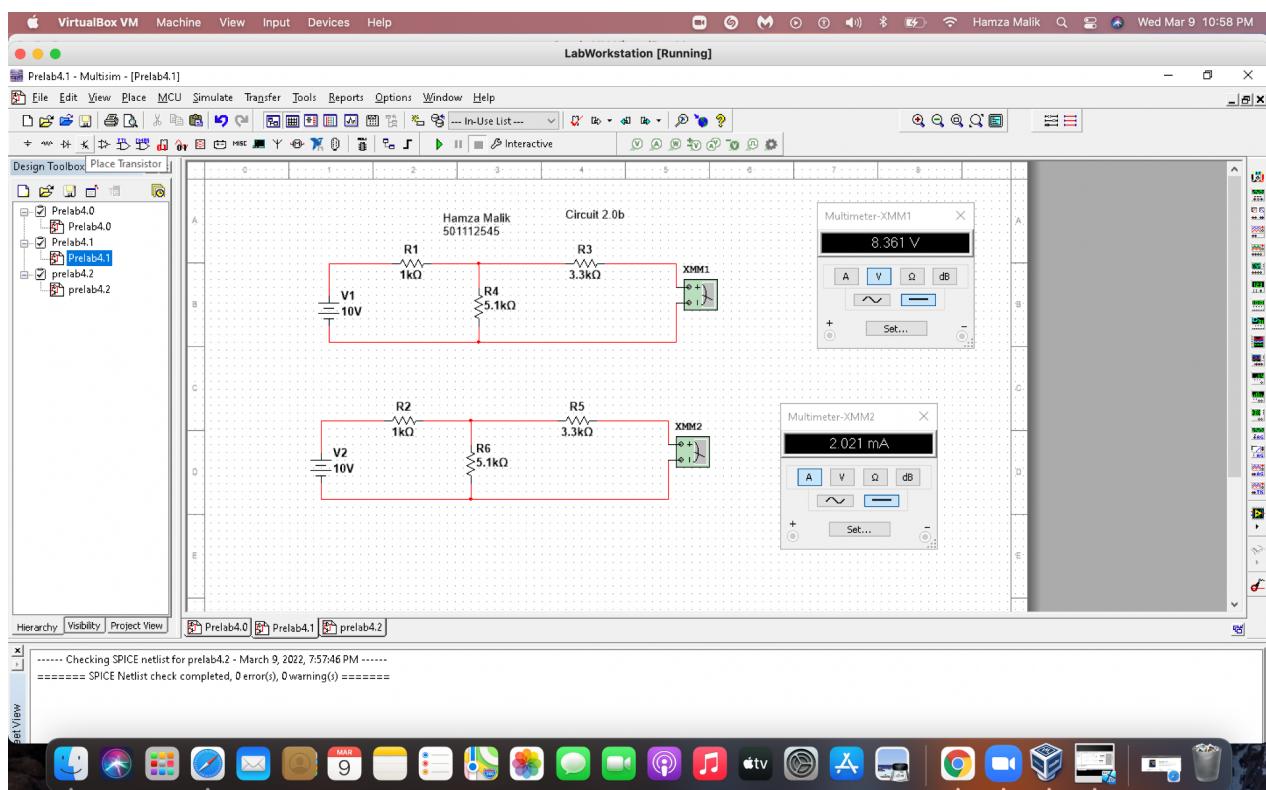
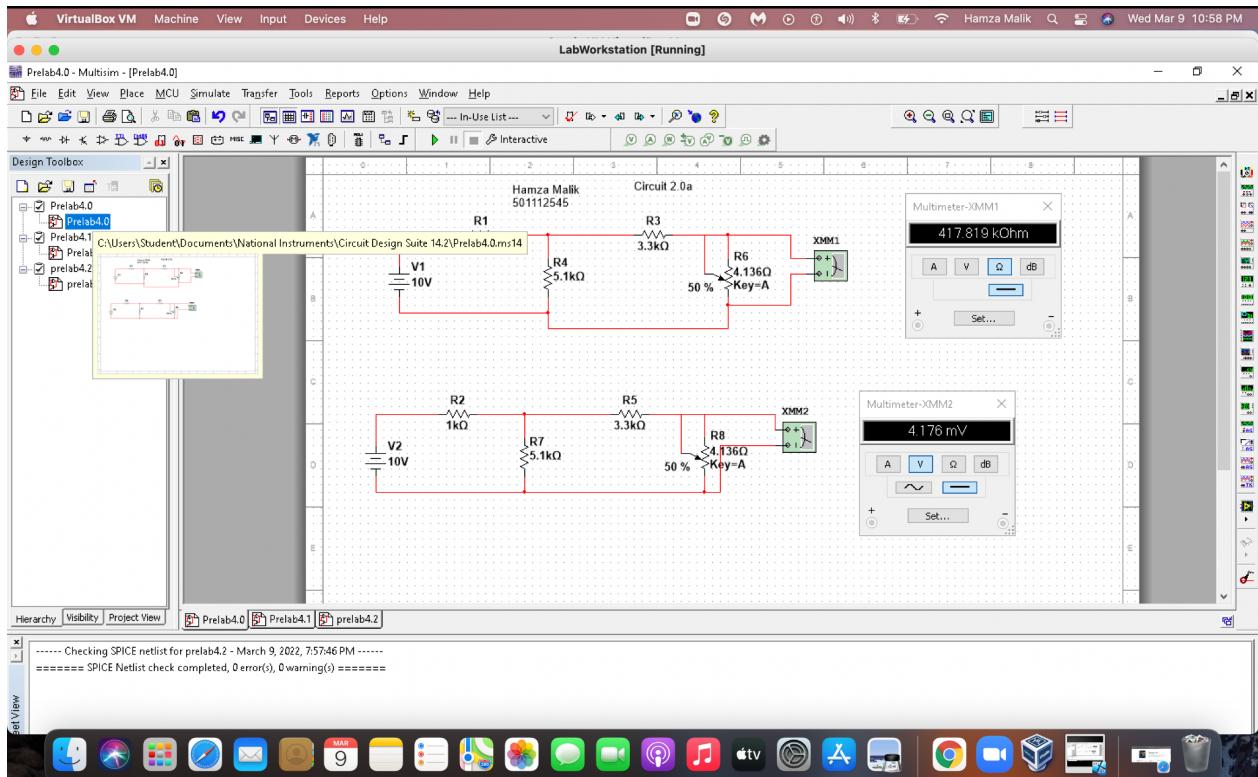
E	V_{Th}		V_{OC}		I_{SC}		$V_{Th} = V_{OC}$		$R_{Th} = V_{OC}/I_{SC}$	
	Theory (volts)	MultiSIM (kΩ)	Theory (volts)	MultiSIM (volts)	Theory (mA)	MultiSIM (mA)	Theory (volts)	MultiSIM (volts)	Theory (kΩ)	MultiSIM (kΩ)
10 (volts)	8.361	4.137	8.361	8.361	2.021	2.021	8.361	8.361	4.137	4.137

Table 2.0: Theoretical and MultiSIM results of the Figure 2.0 circuits

Compare the MultiSIM simulation results with the calculated theoretical values in **Table 2.0**. Comment on the results, and on any discrepancies.

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Comparing the MultiSIM simulation results with the calculated theoretical values in Table 2.0, they are the same and there are no discrepancies.



(b) Maximum Power Transfer

Consider the circuit in **Figure 2.0c**.

- (i) Show that the power, P_L delivered to the load, R_L can be expressed as: -

$$P_L = \left[\frac{V_{Th}}{R_{Th} + R_L} \right]^2 R_L \quad \text{Show your analysis below.}$$

- (ii) Show that the maximum power transfer takes place when the load resistance, $R_L = R_{Th}$, with the load voltage, $V_L = V_{Th}/2$. Show your analysis below.

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$$(1) P = VI \rightarrow P = (IR)I$$

$$P = I^2 R$$

$$P = \frac{V^2}{R}$$

Total Resistance

$$R_{Th} + R_L$$

$$I = \frac{V_{Th}}{R_{Th} + R_L}$$

$$\therefore P_L = \left(\frac{V_{Th}}{R_{Th} + R_L} \right)^2 R_L$$

$$R_{Th} \rightarrow \text{Fixed}$$

$$(ii) P = \left(\frac{V_{Th}}{R_{Th} + R_L} \right)^2 R_L = \frac{V_{Th}}{(R_{Th} + R_L)^2} R_L = \frac{(V_{Th}^2 R_L)}{(R_{Th} + R_L)^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial R_L} = 0 \quad \frac{\partial P}{\partial R_L} = \frac{(V_{Th}^2)(2)(R_{Th} + R_L)^2 - (V_{Th}^2 R_L)(2)(R_{Th} + R_L)}{(R_{Th} + R_L)^4} = 0$$

$$(R_{Th}^2 + R_L^2)^2 - 2(R_{Th}^2 + R_L^2)R_L = 0$$

$$R_{Th}^2 + R_L^2 - 2(R_{Th}^2 + R_L^2)R_L = 0$$

$$\therefore R_{Th} = R_L$$

Also

$$V_L = I R_L$$

$$V_L = \left(\frac{V_{Th}}{R_{Th} + R_L} \right) R_L \Rightarrow V_L = \frac{V_{Th} \cdot R_L}{2 R_L} \Rightarrow V_L = \frac{V_{Th}}{2}$$

- (iii) Construct the circuit of **Figure 2.0a** in MultiSIM but use the $5\text{ k}\Omega$ potentiometer, R_P as the variable load resistance, R_L illustrated below in **Figure 2.0d**. Set the input D.C. source voltage, E to 10V . Monitor the load voltage, V_L across R_P with the DMM Voltmeter. Adjust the potentiometer until this output voltage, $V_L = V_{Th}/2$, at which point theoretically the maximum power transfer should occur per the theorem (note: refer your earlier Pre-Lab analysis for the V_{Th} value). Record your measured values of V_L and R_L in **Table 3.0**.

- Copy and paste a screenshot showing one MultiSIM readings on the circuit. Include the MultiSIM circuit file (.ms14) in your Pre-Lab submission.
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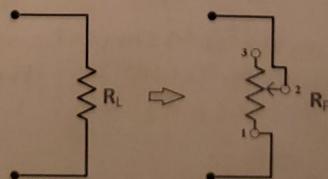


Figure 2.0d: Load, R_L replaced with potentiometer, R_P

Input Source, E	Thevenin voltage, V_{TH} (volts)	Measured load voltage, V_L (volts)	Load resistance R_L per resultant potentiometer, R_P reading, ($k\Omega$)
	From Table 2.0	MultiSIM	MultiSIM
10 (volts)	8.361	4.181	4.137

Table 3.0: MultiSIM results at the Maximum Power Transfer for the Figure 2.0 circuit.

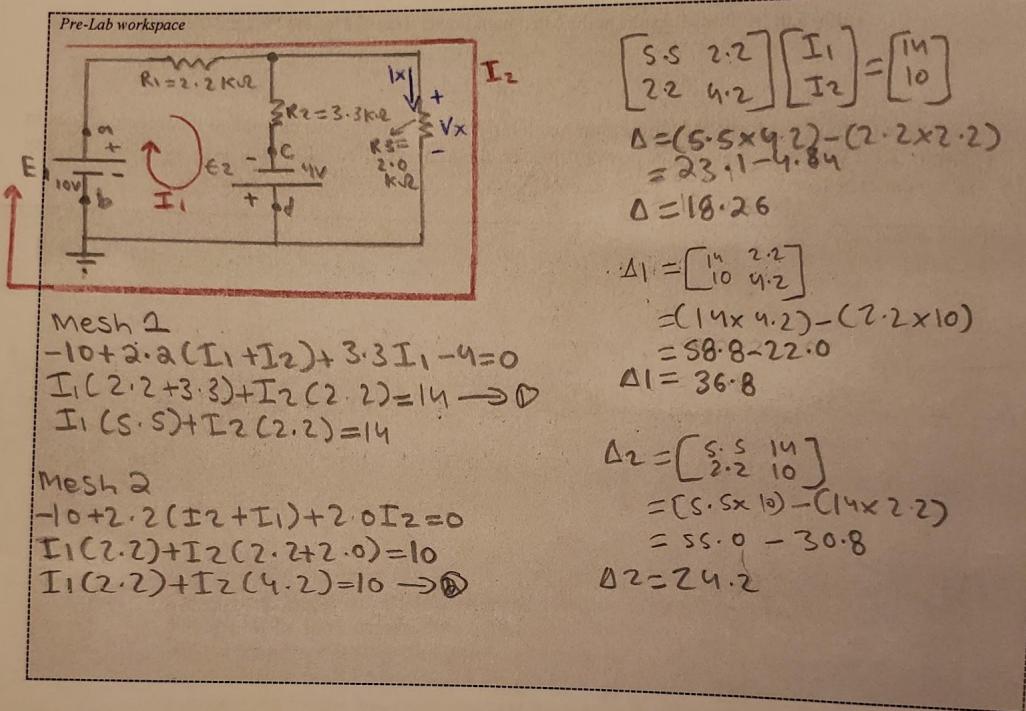
Compare the above MutliSIM simulation results in **Table 3.0** with your calculated theoretical values in **Table 2.0**. Was the maximum power transfer theorem verified? Explain, and comment on any discrepancies.

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Comparing the Multisim simulation results and the calculated theoretical values, both of the results match. The maximum power theorem was verified because when the circuit was made in the Multisim $V_L = V_{TH}/2$ and the value for V_L was as said half of V_{TH} , the values of R_L was the same as R_{TH} . Also there were no discrepancies.

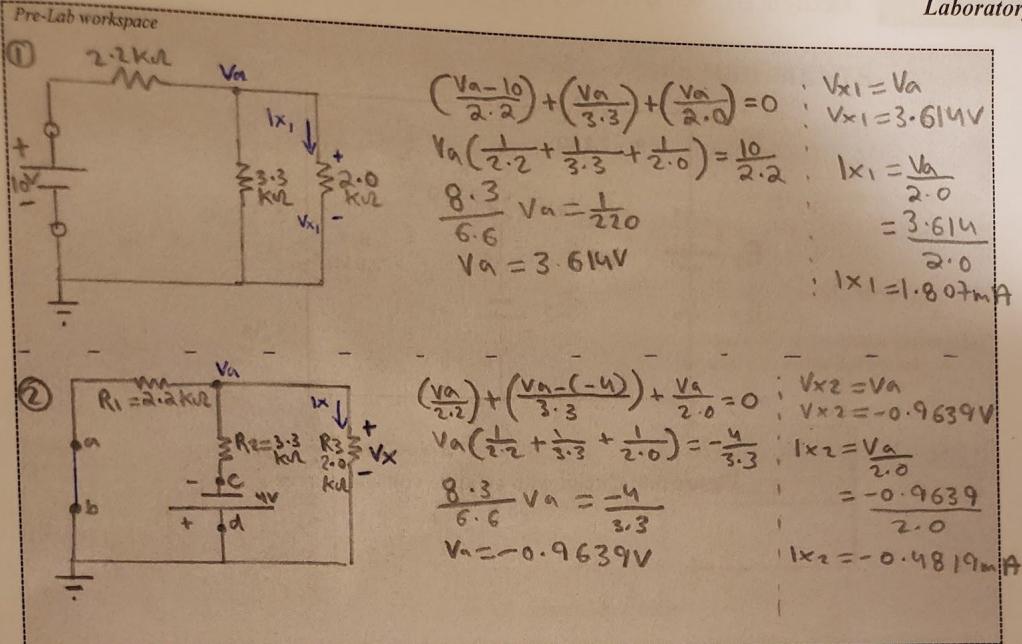
(c) Superposition Principle

- (i) For the circuit shown in Figures 3.0, consider the input D.C. source voltages, $E_1 = 10V$ and $E_2 = 4V$ (note the polarities of each source!). Determine the values of voltage, V_x and current, I_x using either the **nodal-voltage** or the **mesh-current** analysis technique. Show your analysis below, and record your results in Table 4.0.



- (ii) For the same circuit shown in Figures 3.0 with the input D.C. source voltages, $E_1 = 10V$ and $E_2 = 4V$, apply the Superposition Principle technique as follows:-

1. Remove input source, E_2 and replace it with a short-circuit by connecting a wire between "c" and "d". Determine the resultant voltage, V_{x1} across R_3 and current, I_{x1} through R_3 . Show your analysis below, and record the results in Table 4.0.
2. Connect input source, E_2 in its original place between "c" and "d". Be mindful of the polarity connections. Then remove input source, E_1 and replace it with a short-circuit by connecting a wire between "a" and "b". Determine the resultant voltage, V_{x2} across R_3 and current, I_{x2} through R_3 . Show your analysis below, and record the results in Table 4.0.



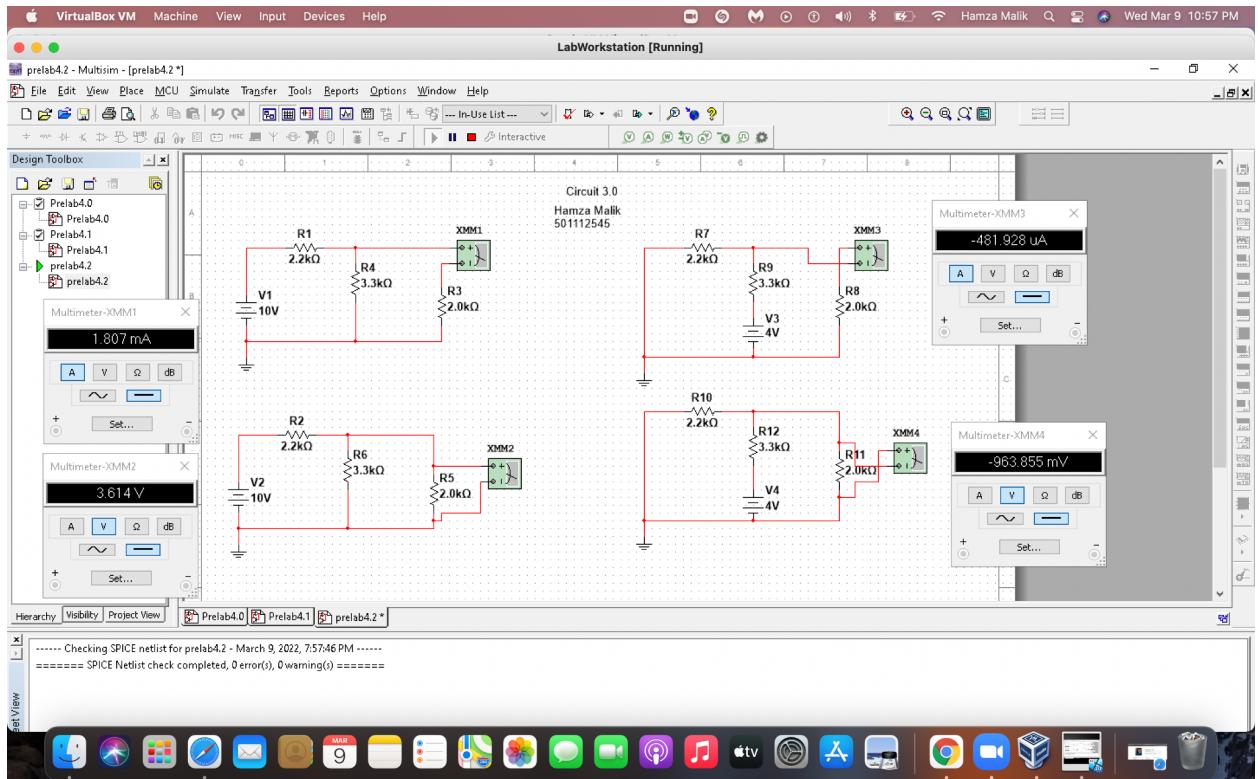
- (iii) Construct the circuit of **Figure 3.0** in MultiSIM, and repeat the above circuit-procedures (i) and (ii) to measure V_x , I_x , V_{x_1} , I_{x_1} , V_{x_2} and I_{x_2} . Record the results in **Table 4.0**.

- Copy and paste a screenshot showing one MultiSIM readings on the circuit. Include the MultiSIM circuit file (.msf14) in your Pre-Lab submission.
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From your results in **Table 4.0**, was the Superposition Principle technique verified using the expressions $V_x = V_{x_1} + V_{x_2}$ and $I_x = I_{x_1} + I_{x_2}$? Explain why, and comment on any discrepancies. Does the Superposition Principle make it easier to analyze circuits with multiple power sources? Why?

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From the results the SUPERPOSITION principle was verified using the expressions above. This is due to the fact that V_{x_1} and I_{x_1} can show the values in half the circuit where as V_{x_2} and I_{x_2} show in the other half of the circuit. When both are added together we get V_x across the resistor and I_x through K_2 . There were no discrepancies and for the SUPERPOSITION principle, makes it easier to visualize and work with the circuits because when we turn off the power, it makes it a lot more easier to calculate any sort of value.



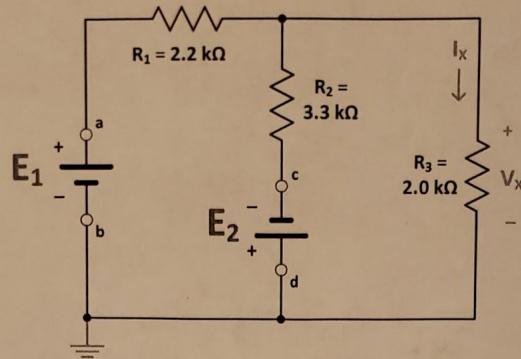


Figure 3.0: Circuit with multiple voltage sources

V_x (volts)		I_x (mA)		V_{x1} (volts)		I_{x1} (mA)		V_{x2} (volts)		I_{x2} (mA)		$V_x =$ $V_{x1} + V_{x2}$		$I_x =$ $I_{x1} + I_{x2}$	
Th.	MS.	Th.	MS.	Th.	MS.	Th.	MS.	Th.	MS.	Th.	MS.	Th.	MS.	Th.	MS.
2.651	2.651	1.325	1.325	3.614	3.614	1.807	1.807	-0.969	-0.964	-0.982	-0.982	2.651	2.65	1.325	1.325

Table 4.0: Theoretical (Th.) and MultiSIM (MS.) results of the Figure 3.0 circuits