

An aerial photograph of a large, multi-story university building with a central courtyard. The building has a prominent central tower and is surrounded by lush greenery, including many palm trees. A circular driveway or path leads to the building. The sky is clear and blue.

# BASIC ELECTRONIC CIRCUITS

**Circuit theory concepts**

# Contents

- Basic quantities: Charge, Current, voltage and Power.
- Ohm's Law: Resistance and resistivity
- Kirchhoff's laws
- Resistors in series and parallel

# Charge (C)

- Charge conservation: "Neither create nor destroy"
- Two type: +ve (proton) and -ve (electron)
- Electron flow is relevant
- Flow of +ve charge is important in understanding internal operation (Eg: battery, diode, and transistor)
- A single electron has a charge of  $-1.602 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$

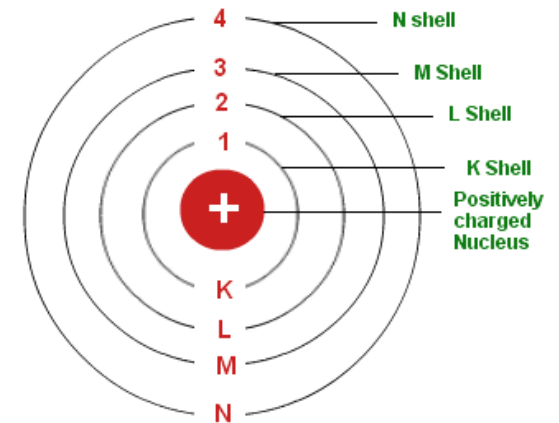
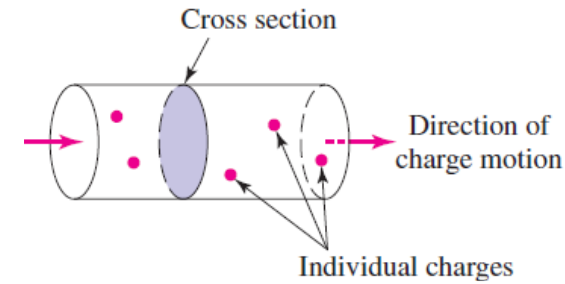


Fig. Bohr's Atomic Model

# Current



- Flow of charge leads to "**CURRENT**", in moving charge from one place to another, we also transfer energy from one point to another.
- Ex: electrical power transmission.
- Further, it is possible to vary the rate at which the charge is transferred in order to communicate or transfer information (Ex: communication systems)
- Measure of rate at which charge is moving past a given reference point in a specified direction.

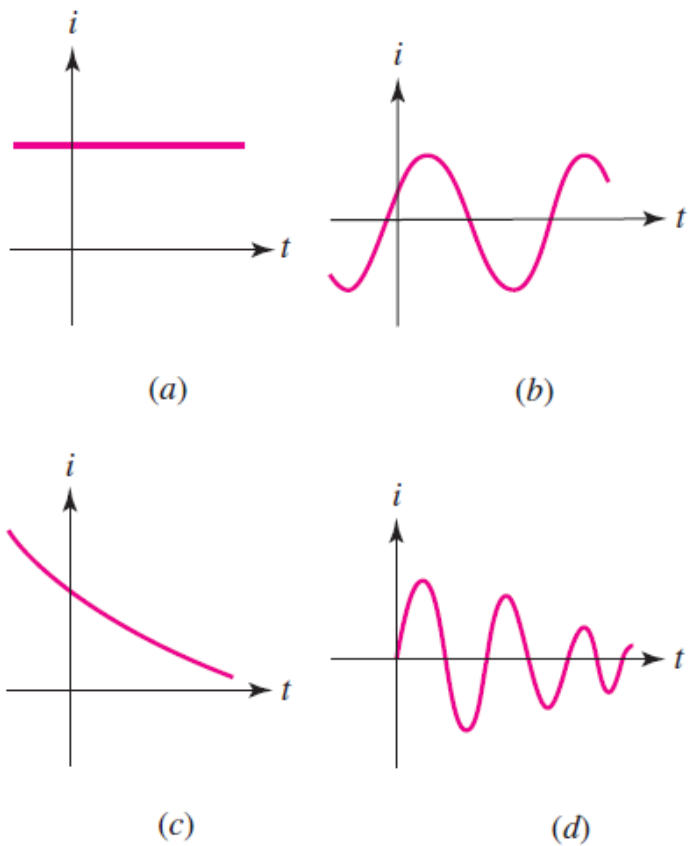


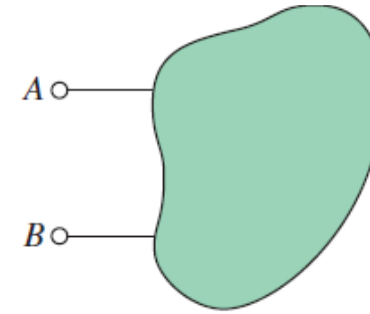
Fig. Several types of current



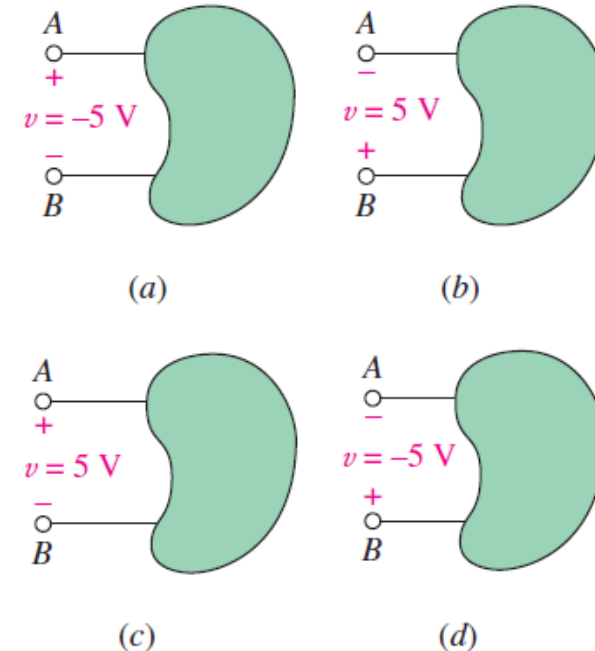
Fig. Representation of current

# Voltage

- A DC current is sent into  $A$  and back out of  $B$ , Hence an electric voltage exists between the two terminals



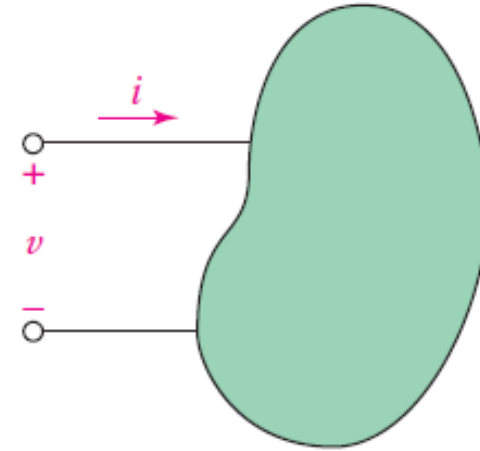
An example of a two terminal circuit element.



Terminal voltage representation.

# Power

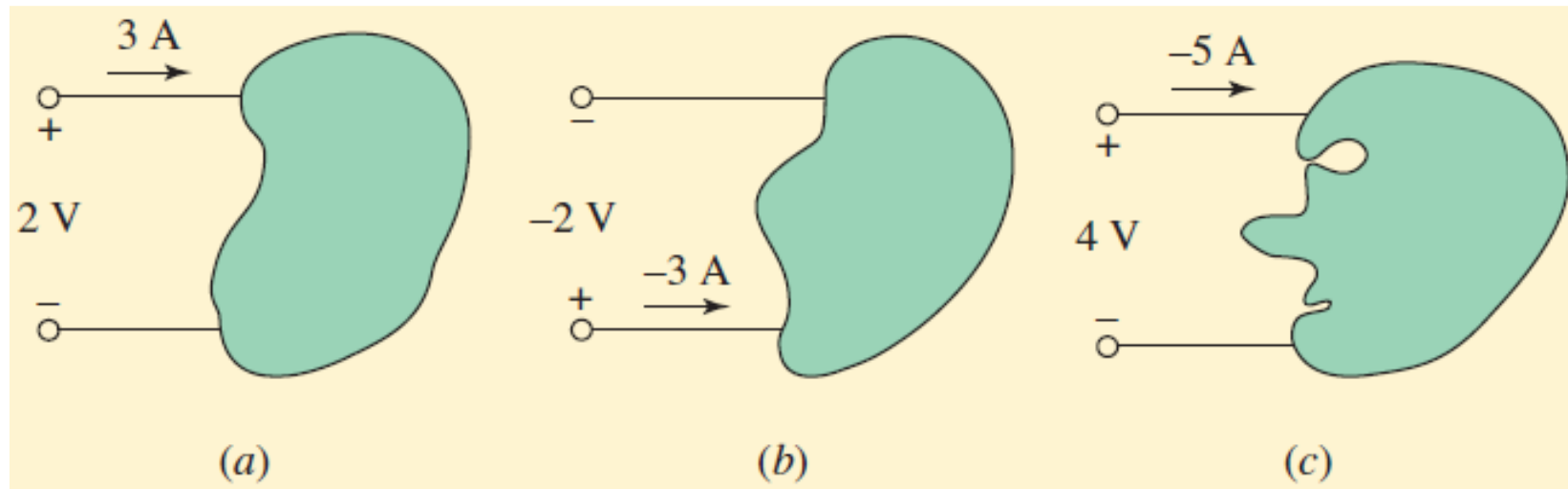
- Rate at which the electrical energy is transferred.
- $P = VI$
- Units: Watt, Joule/sec
- Sign conventions: +10 J/s, -10 J/s



The power absorbed by the element is given by the product of  $P = VI$ .

# Power

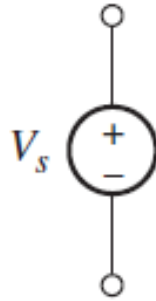
- Compute the power absorbed:



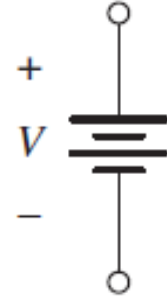


# Independent Sources

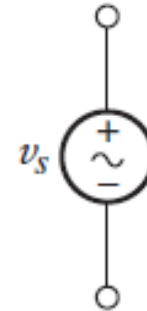
- Voltage source



Dc voltage

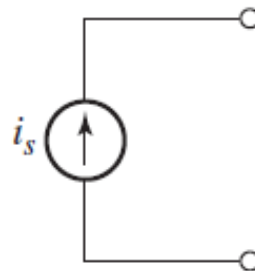


Battery

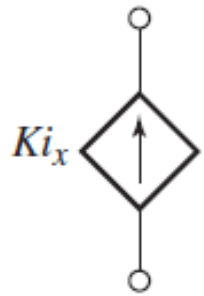


AC voltage

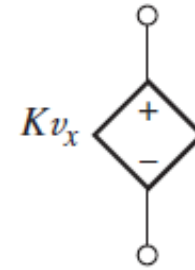
- Current Source



# Dependent sources

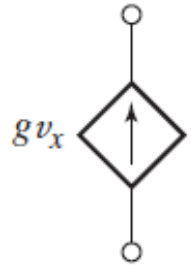


Current controlled current source

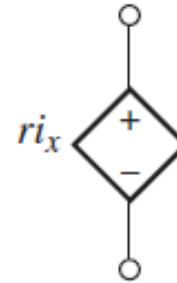


Voltage controlled voltage source

$K$  is a dimensionless scaling factor.



Voltage controlled current source

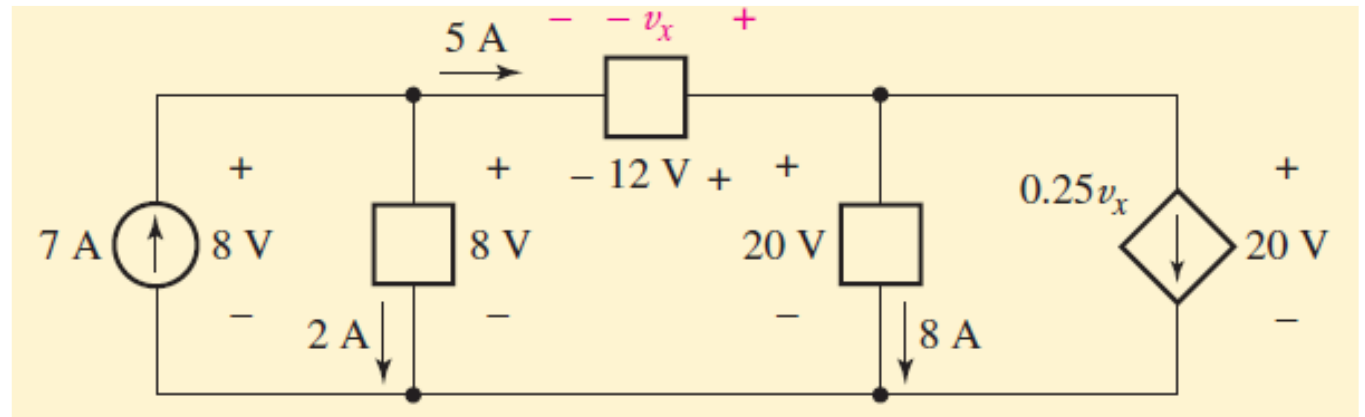
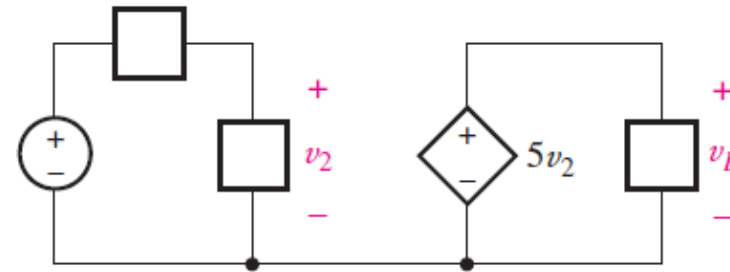


Current controlled voltage source

$g$ ,  $r$  are the scaling factor with units  $A/V$  and  $V/A$  respectively.

# Examples:

- If  $v_2 = 3 \text{ V}$ , determine  $v_L$ .
- Ans:  $V_L = 15 \text{ V}$ .
- Find the power absorbed by each element



Ans: (left to right)  $-56 \text{ W}$ ;  $16 \text{ W}$ ;  $-60 \text{ W}$ ;  $160 \text{ W}$ ;  $-60 \text{ W}$ .

# Ohm's Law

- Statement: The voltage across “conducting” material is directly proportional to the current flowing through the material
- $V = IR$ ,  $R$  - constant of proportionality, unit is ohm.
- Power absorption,  $P = VI = I^2R = V^2/R$



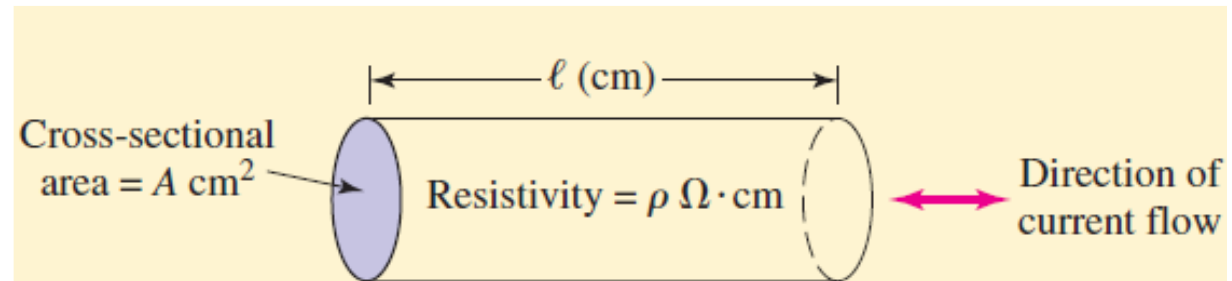
Aluminium bar



Wooden bar

# Resistance and Resistivity

- Resistance = Resistivity \* length of the bar / Cross-sectional area of the bar
- $R = \rho l / A$
- Conductivity =  $1/\text{resistivity}$ ;  $\sigma = 1/\rho$

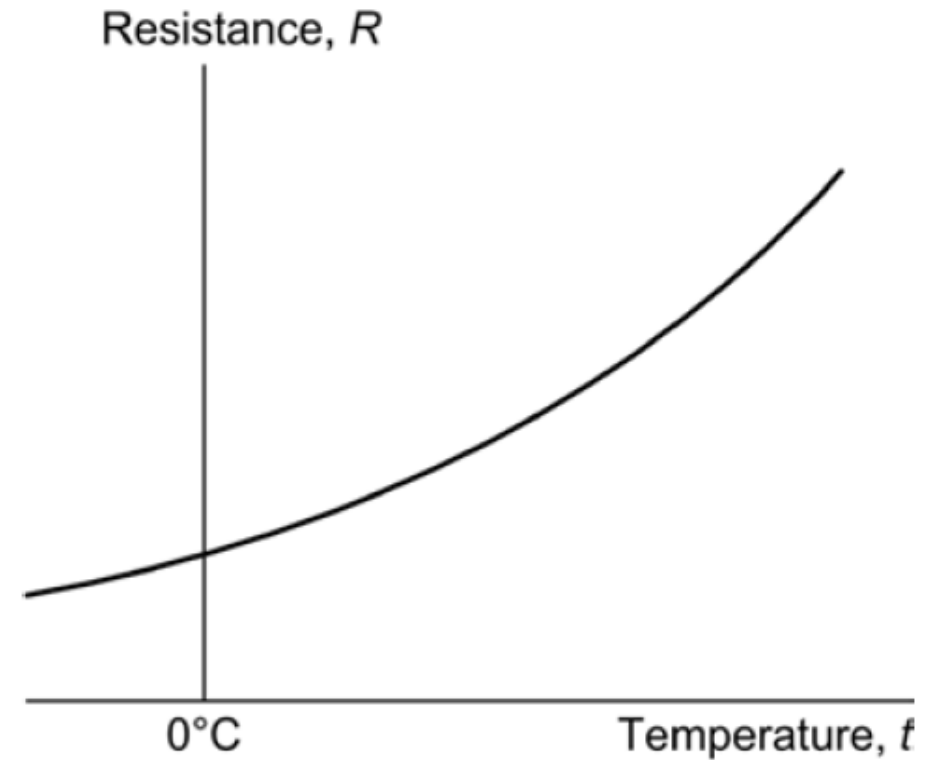


# Dependency on:

- Temperature: with increase in temp. resistivity increases.

$$R_t = R_0(1 + \alpha t)$$

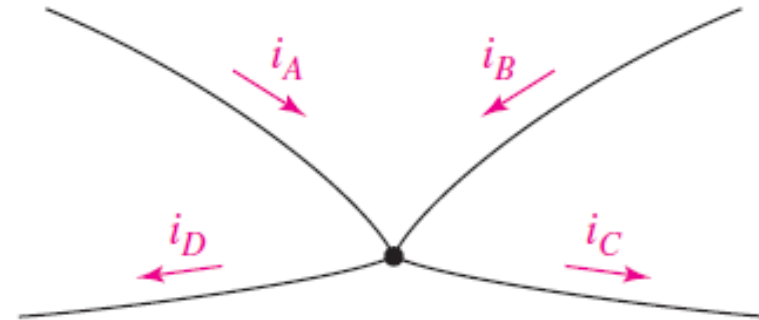
- $\alpha$  is called temperature coefficient ( $/^{\circ}\text{C}$ )
- Ex: A resistor has a temperature coefficient of  $0.001 /^{\circ}\text{C}$ . if the resistor has a resistance of  $1.5 \text{ k}\Omega$  at  $0^{\circ}\text{C}$ , determine the resistance at  $80^{\circ}\text{C}$ ?
- Ans:  $1.62 \text{ k}\Omega$



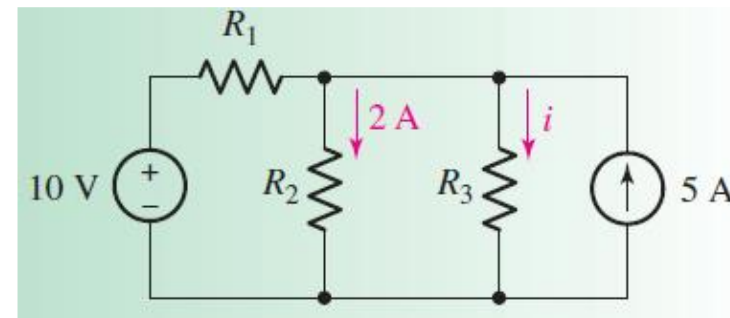
# Kirchhoff's Laws: KCL

- Algebraic sum of currents entering the node is zero.
- Ex 1: if the voltage source produces a current 3A, determine  $i$ ?
- Ans:  $i = 6 \text{ A}$ .

$$\sum_{n=1}^N i_n = 0$$



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

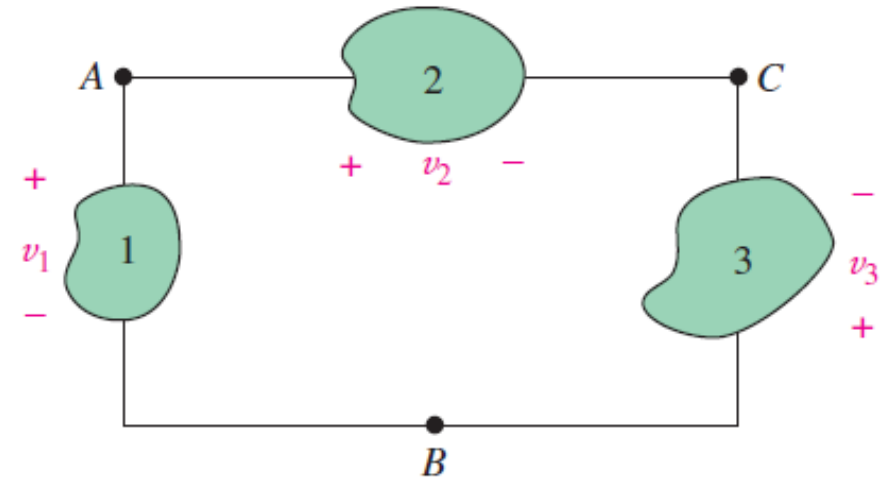


# KVL

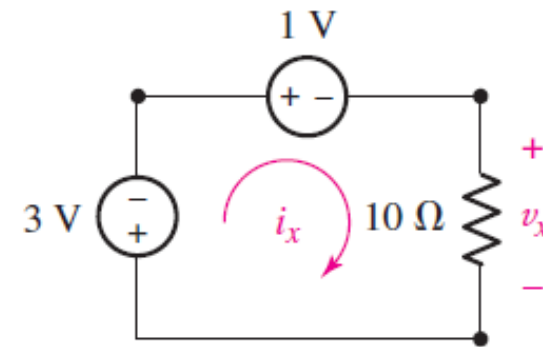
- The algebraic sum of voltages around any closed path is zero.

$$\sum_{n=1}^N v_n = 0$$

- Ex 2: Determine  $v_x$  and  $i_x$
- Ans:  $v_x = -4$  V and  $i_x = -400$  mV.



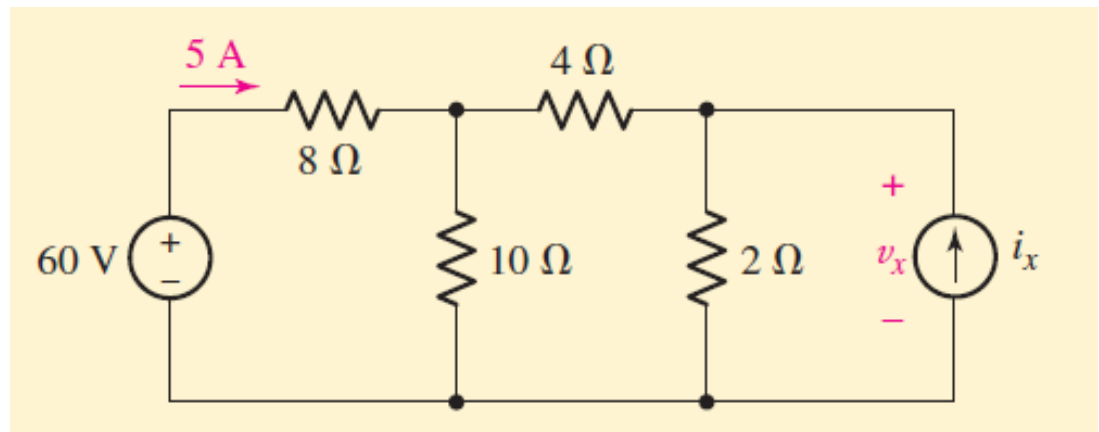
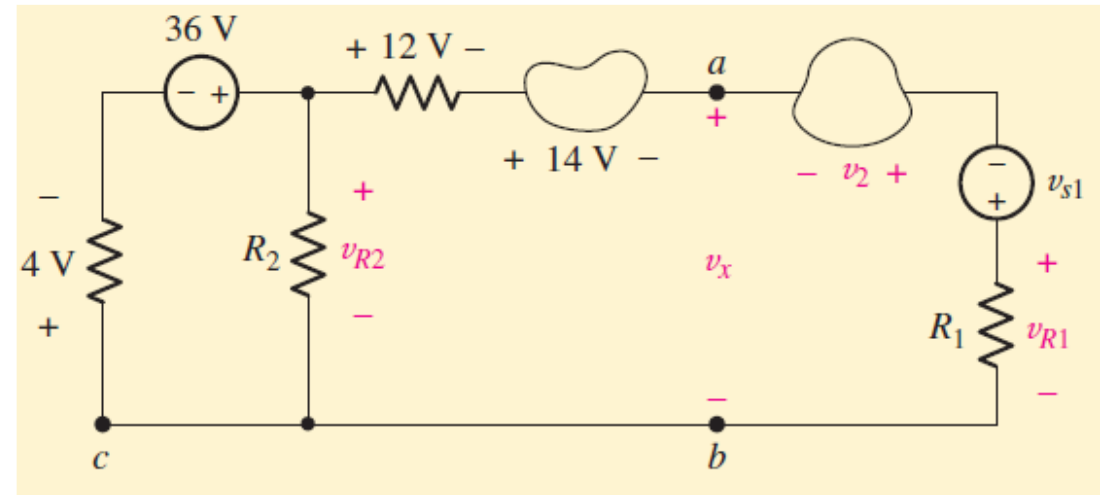
$$-v_1 + v_2 - v_3 = 0$$





# Example:

- Determine:  $v_{R2}$  and  $v_x$ .
- Ans:  $v_{R2} = 32 \text{ V}$  and  $v_x = 6 \text{ V}$ .
- Determine:  $v_x$ .
- Ans:  $v_x = 8 \text{ V}$ .

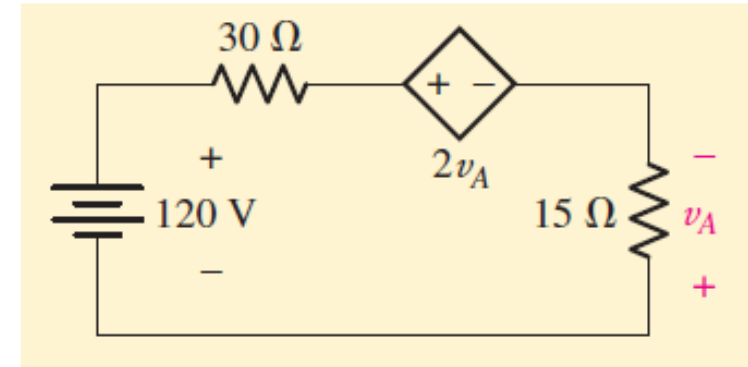


# Single loop and single node circuits

- Compute the power absorbed in each element.

- Ans:  $i = 8 \text{ A}$

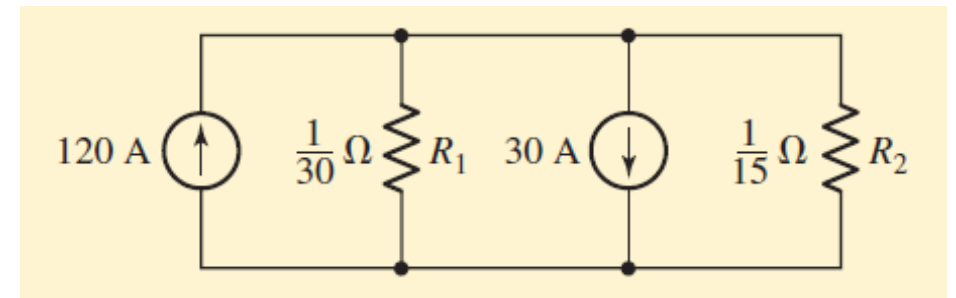
$$\begin{aligned} p_{120\text{V}} &= (120)(-8) = -960 \text{ W} \\ p_{30\Omega} &= (8)^2(30) = 1920 \text{ W} \\ p_{\text{dep}} &= (2v_A)(8) = 2[(-15)(8)](8) \\ &= -1920 \text{ W} \\ p_{15\Omega} &= (8)^2(15) = 960 \text{ W} \end{aligned}$$



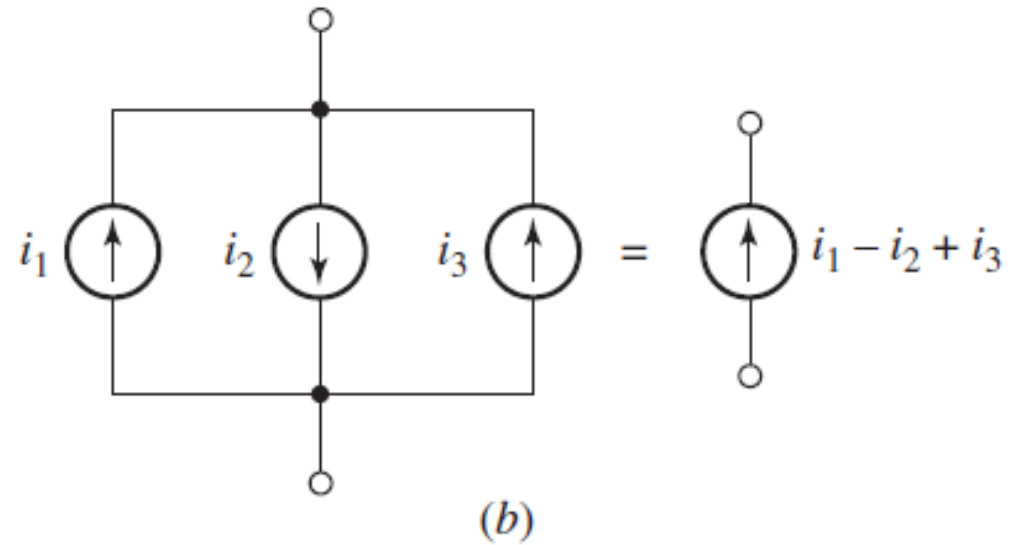
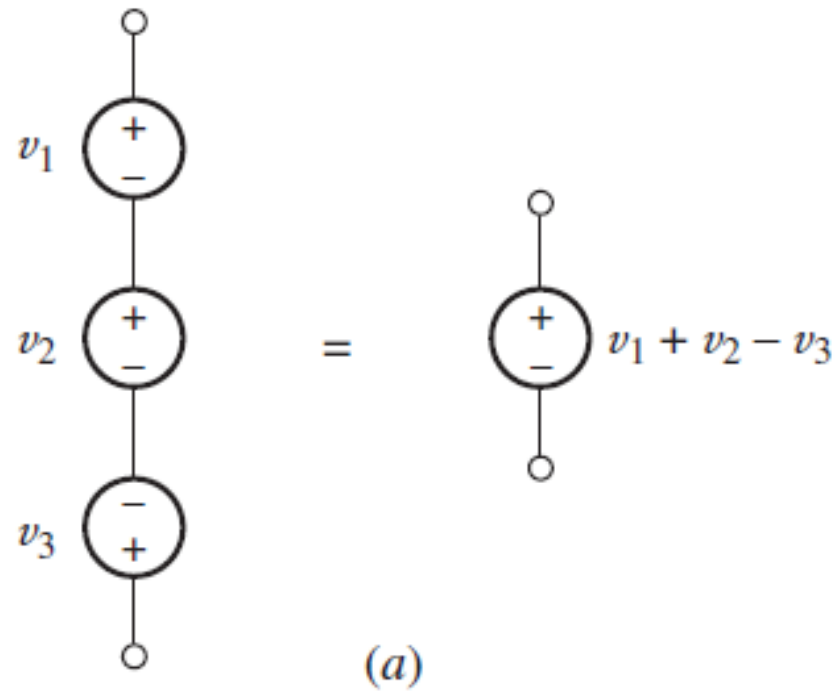
- Find the current, voltage, and power associated with each element.

- Ans:  $v = 2 \text{ V}$ ;

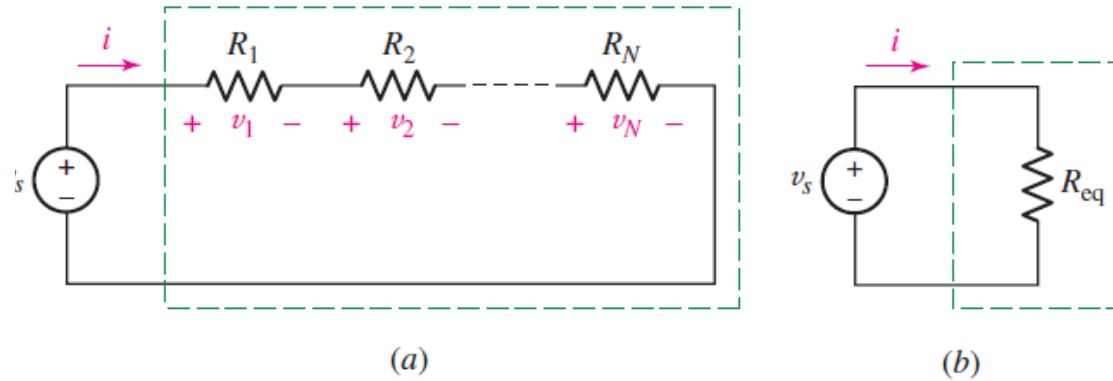
$$\begin{aligned} p_{R1} &= 30(2)^2 = 120 \text{ W} \quad \text{and} \quad p_{R2} = 15(2)^2 = 60 \text{ W} \\ p_{120\text{A}} &= 120(-2) = -240 \text{ W} \quad \text{and} \quad p_{30\text{A}} = 30(2) = 60 \text{ W} \end{aligned}$$



# Series and parallel connected sources



# Resistors in series



$$v_s = R_1 i + R_2 i + \cdots + R_N i = (R_1 + R_2 + \cdots + R_N) i$$

$$v_s = R_{eq} i$$

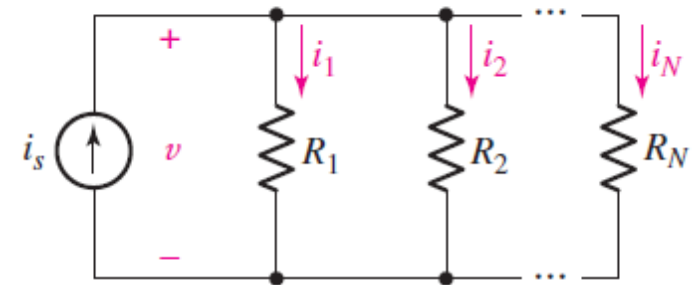
$$R_{eq} = R_1 + R_2 + \cdots + R_N$$

# Resistors in parallel

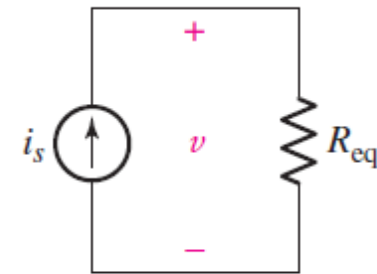
$$i_s = i_1 + i_2 + \cdots + i_N$$

$$\begin{aligned} i_s &= \frac{v}{R_1} + \frac{v}{R_2} + \cdots + \frac{v}{R_N} \\ &= \frac{v}{R_{\text{eq}}} \end{aligned}$$

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



(a)



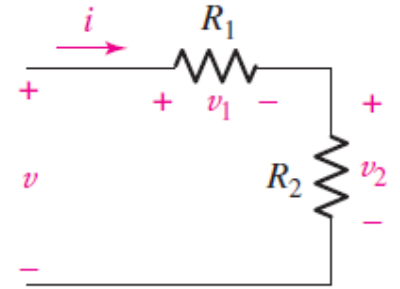
(b)

## Voltage division

$$v = v_1 + v_2 = iR_1 + iR_2 = i(R_1 + R_2)$$

$$v_2 = \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} v \quad v_1 = \frac{R_1}{R_1 + R_2} v$$

$$v_k = \frac{R_k}{R_1 + R_2 + \dots + R_N} v$$



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

## Current division

$$i_2 = \frac{v}{R_2} = \frac{i(R_1 \parallel R_2)}{R_2} = \frac{i}{R_2} \frac{R_1 R_2}{R_1 + R_2}$$

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

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

$$i_k = i \frac{\frac{1}{R_k}}{\frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} + \dots + \frac{1}{R_N}}$$

