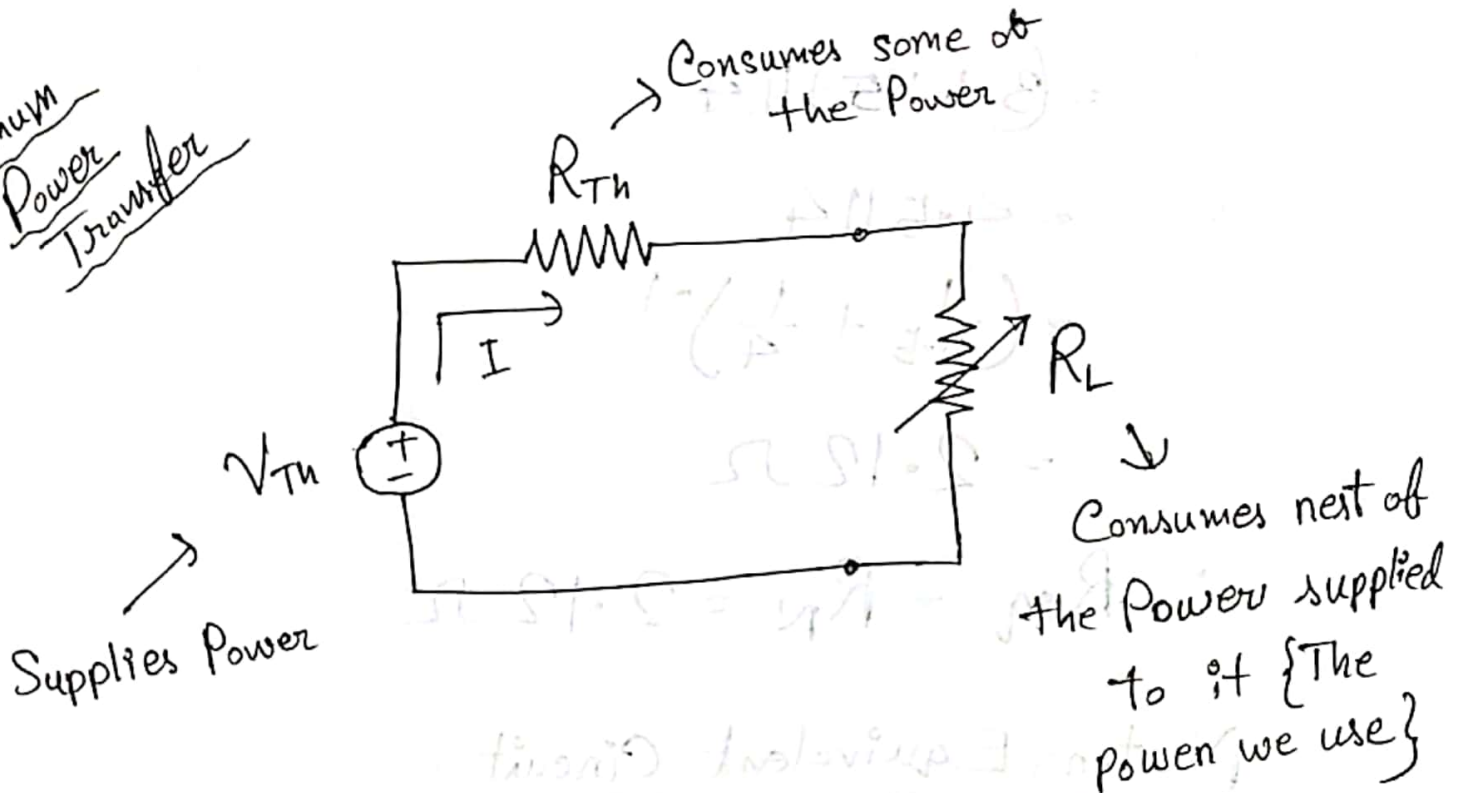


Lecture - 11: Superposition Principle & Maximum Power Transfer

Maximum Power Transfer



• Sometimes it's desirable to maximize the power delivered to the Load [R_L here].

Here, Power delivered to R_L is, [The Load]

$$P = I^2 R_L$$

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

□ For maximum power, $\frac{\partial P}{\partial R_L} = \frac{\partial}{\partial R_L} \left(\frac{V_{Th}}{R_{Th} + R_L} \right)^2 R_L = 0$

Maximum Power Theorem

Maximum power is transferred to the load when the load resistance = Thevenin Resistance seen from the load $\Rightarrow \boxed{R_L = R_{Th}}$

\therefore In the circuit we saw, $P = I^2 R_L$ is maximum when $\boxed{R_L = R_{Th}}$

Proof

$$\frac{dP}{dR_L} = \frac{d}{dR_L} \left(\frac{V_{Th}}{R_{Th} + R_L} \right)^2 R_L = 0$$

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

$$= V_{Th}^2 \frac{(R_{Th} + R_L)^2 \frac{d}{dR_L} R_L - R_L \frac{d}{dR_L} (R_{Th} + R_L)^2}{(R_{Th} + R_L)^4}$$

$\left[\frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{u}{v} \right) \right] \leftarrow$
formula

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

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

$$= V_{th}^2 \frac{R_{th} + R_L - 2R_L}{(R_{th} + R_L)^3}$$

$$= V_{th}^2 \frac{R_{th} - R_L}{(R_{th} + R_L)^3}$$

$$\therefore V_{th}^2 \frac{R_{th} - R_L}{(R_{th} + R_L)^2} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow R_{th} - R_L = 0$$

$$\therefore \boxed{R_{th} = R_L}$$

↑ Proved ↓

Maximum Power

$$P_{max} = I^2 R_L \quad \text{when, } R_L = R_{th}$$

$$\therefore P_{max} = I^2 R_{th}$$

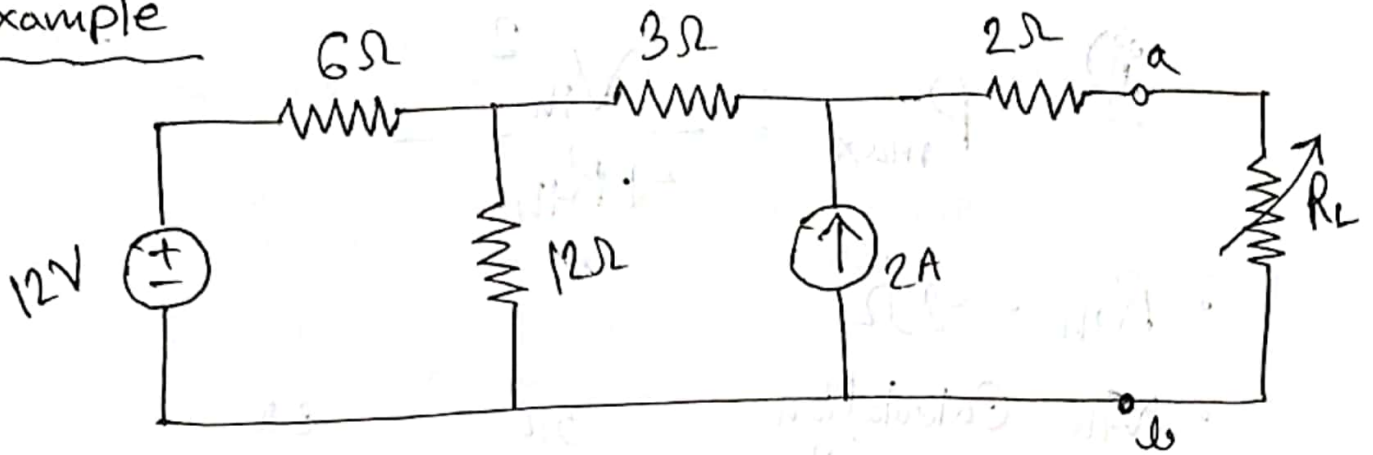
$$= \left(\frac{V_{th}}{R_{th} + R_L} \right)^2 R_{th} = \left(\frac{V_{th}}{R_{th} + R_{th}} \right)^2 R_{th}$$

$$= \frac{V_{th}^2}{4 R_{th}^2} R_{th}$$

$$\therefore \boxed{P_{max} = \frac{V_{th}^2}{4 R_{th}}}$$

(Ans.)

Example



i) R_L for maximum Power transfer = ?

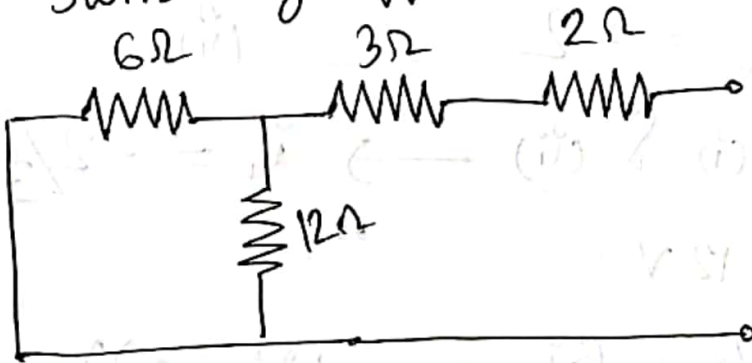
ii) P_{max} = ?

i)

$$R_L = R_{th}$$

Measuring R_{th}

Switching off all independent sources:

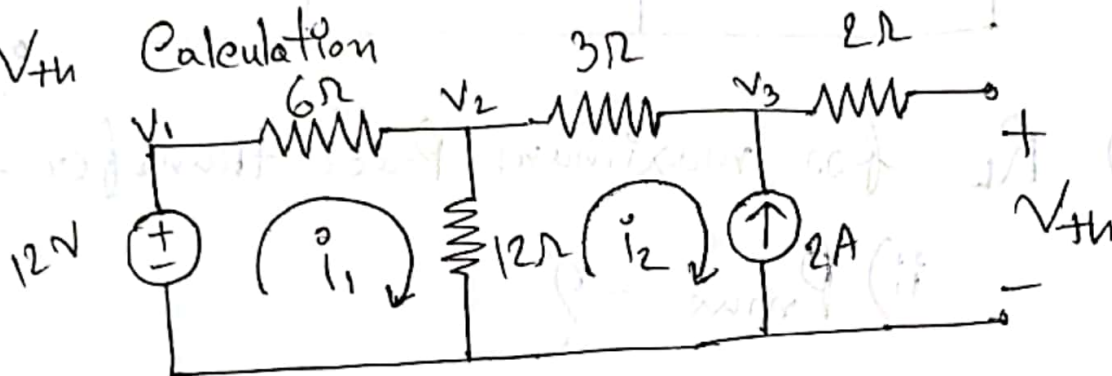


$$\begin{aligned} \therefore R_{th} &= R_{eq} = 2\Omega + 3\Omega + (6\Omega \parallel 12\Omega) \\ &= \left\{ 2 + 3 + \left(\frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{12} \right)^{-1} \right\} \Omega \\ &= (2 + 3 + 4) \Omega \\ &= \boxed{9\Omega} = R_L \quad (\text{Ans.}) \end{aligned}$$

$$P_{\max} = \frac{V_{th}^2}{4R_{th}}$$

• $R_{th} = 9\Omega$

• V_{th} Calculation



Loop-1

$$6i_1 + 12(i_1 - i_2) - 12 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 18i_1 - 12i_2 = 12 \quad (i)$$

Loop-2

$$i_2 = -2 \quad (ii)$$

Solving (i) & (ii) $\rightarrow i_1 = -2/3 \text{ A}$

Now, $V_1 = 12 \text{ V}$

$$V_1 - V_2 = 6i_1 = -4 \text{ V} \Rightarrow V_2 = V_1 + 4 = 16 \text{ V}$$

$$V_2 - V_3 = 3i_2 = -6 \text{ V} \Rightarrow V_3 = V_2 + 6 = 22 \text{ V}$$

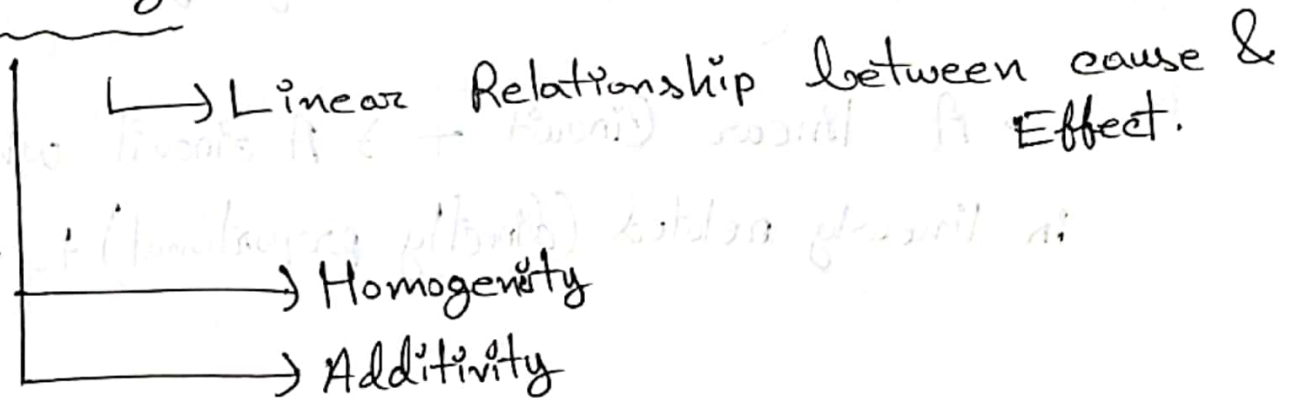
$$\therefore V_{th} = V_3 = \boxed{22 \text{ V}}$$

$$\therefore P_{\max} = \frac{V_{th}^2}{4R_{th}} = \frac{22^2}{4 \times 9} \text{ W} = \boxed{13.44 \text{ W}}$$

(Ans.)

Superposition Principle

Linearity



i) Homogeneity

Input $\xrightarrow[\text{Element}]{\text{Linear}}$ Output

Input \times Constant $\xrightarrow[\text{Element}]{\text{Linear}}$ Output \times Constant

Example:

A Resistor,

$$V = iR$$

ii) Additivity

Input 1 $\xrightarrow[\text{Element}]{\text{Linear}}$ Output 1

Input 2 $\xrightarrow[\text{Element}]{\text{Linear}}$ Output 2

Input 1 + Input 2 $\xrightarrow[\text{Element}]{\text{Linear}}$ Output 1 + Output 2

Example:

A Resistor

$$V_1 = i_1 R, \quad V_2 = i_2 R$$

$$V = (i_1 + i_2)R = i_1 R + i_2 R = V_1 + V_2$$

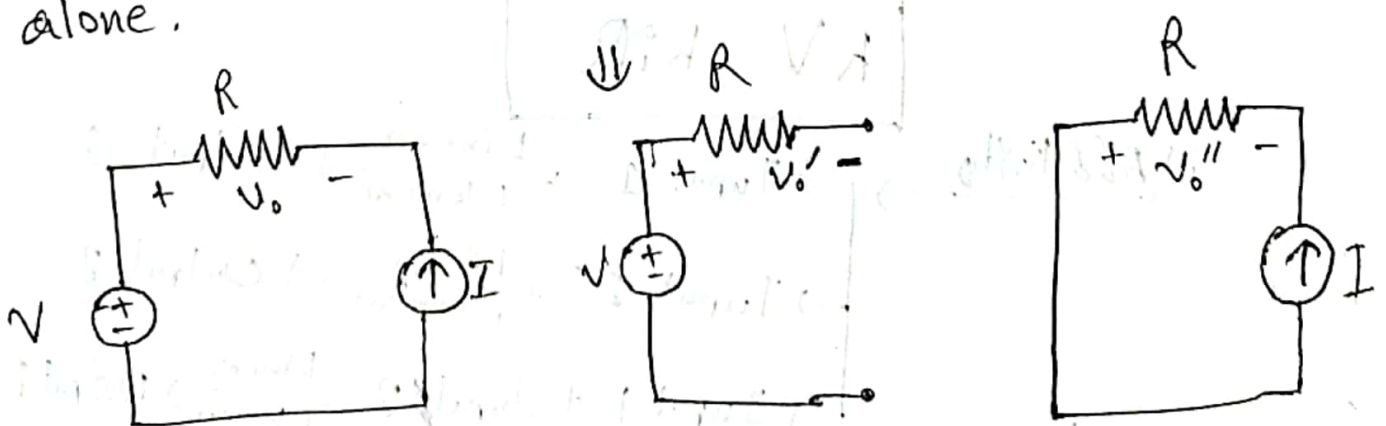
What about Power? i)

A Resistor is a linear element because voltage-current relationship satisfies homogeneity & additivity property.

- A linear circuit \rightarrow A circuit whose output is linearly related (directly proportional) to its input.

Superposition Principle

" The Voltage across / Current through an element in a linear circuit is the sum (algebraic) of the voltage across / current through that element due to each independent source acting alone.



$$V_0 = V_0' + V_0''$$

Things to keep in mind:

- Voltage source off $\rightarrow 0V \rightarrow$ Short Circuit
- Current source off $\rightarrow 0A \rightarrow$ Open Circuit
- Only deal with Independent sources, not dependent sources.

Steps

Step-1

Turn off all the independent sources (see above) except one.

Step-2

Find the output (voltage V_o / current i) due to that one active source. (Using other techniques)

Step-3

Repeat step 1-2 for each of the independent sources.

Step-4

Add up all the outputs calculated for each of the sources \rightarrow The overall output.

Disadvantage

\rightarrow Involved more work.

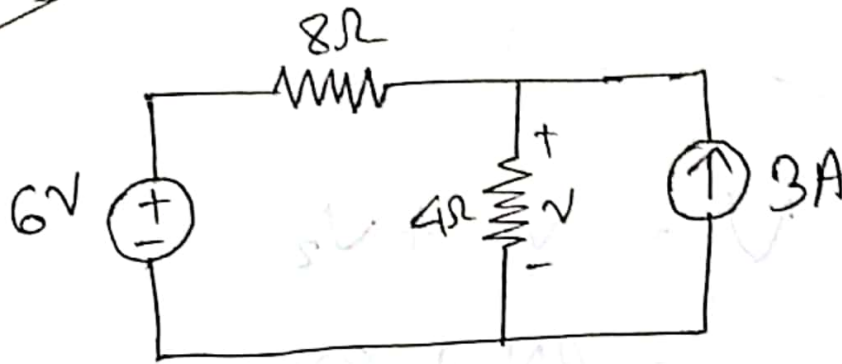
Advantage

\rightarrow Simpler concept.

N.B: Power \rightarrow Not linear for R

\Downarrow
No Superposition.

Example 1

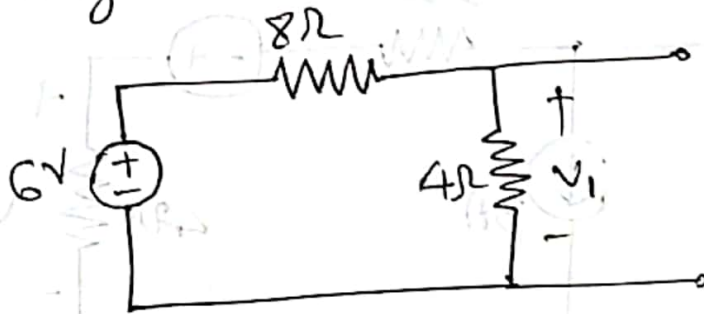


2 Independent sources

$$\therefore \text{Let, } V = V_1 + V_2$$

Step-1

Turning Current source off,

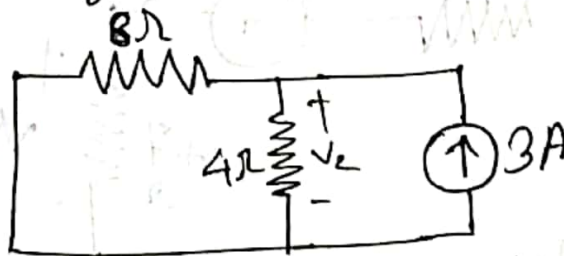


Step-2

$$\therefore V_1 = 6 \times \frac{4}{8+4} \text{ V} \quad \text{[Voltage divider]}$$
$$= \boxed{2 \text{ V}}$$

Step-3

Turning Voltage Source off,



$$\therefore V_2 = I R_{eq} = 3 \times \left(\frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{4} \right)^{-1} \text{ V} = \boxed{8 \text{ V}}$$

[Equivalent Resistance]

Step-4

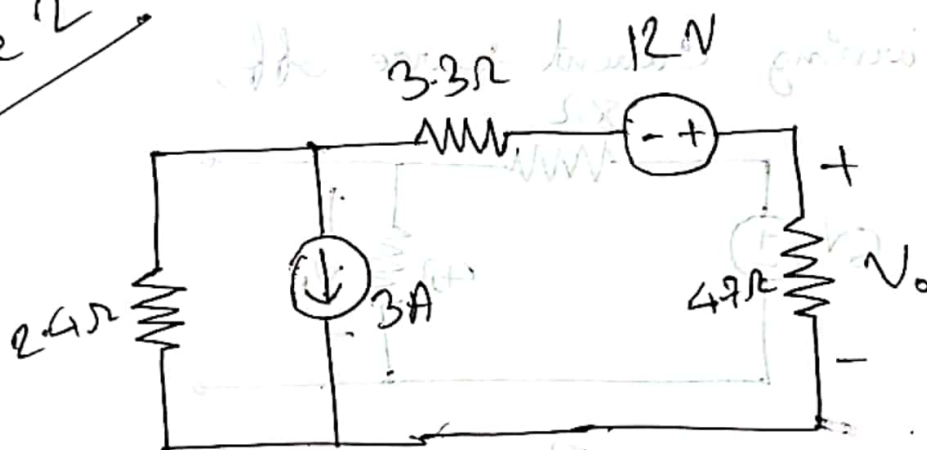
$$\therefore V = V_1 + V_2$$

$$= 2V + 8V$$

$$\therefore \boxed{V = 10V}$$

(Ans.)

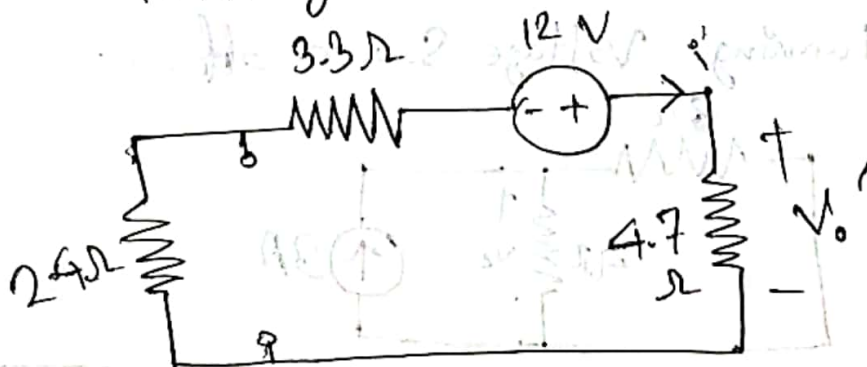
Example 2



Let, $V_o = V_o' + V_o''$

Step-1

Turning Current Source off

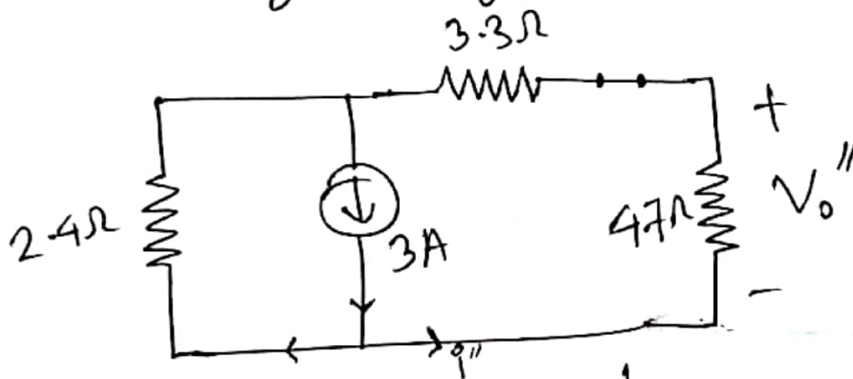


Step-2

$$\therefore V_0' = 12 \times \frac{4.7}{2.4 + 3.3 + 4.7} \text{ V} \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} \text{Voltage} \\ \text{Dividers} \end{array} \right|$$
$$= 5.423 \text{ V}$$

Step-3

Turning Voltage source off,



$$\therefore i'' = 3 \times \left(\frac{\frac{1}{4.7 + 3.3}}{\frac{1}{2.4} + \frac{1}{4.7 + 3.3}} \right) \text{ A}$$
$$= 0.692 \text{ A}$$

Current entering from the negative terminal.

$$\therefore V_0'' = - (0.692 \times 4.7) \text{ V}$$
$$= -3.254 \text{ V}$$

Step-4

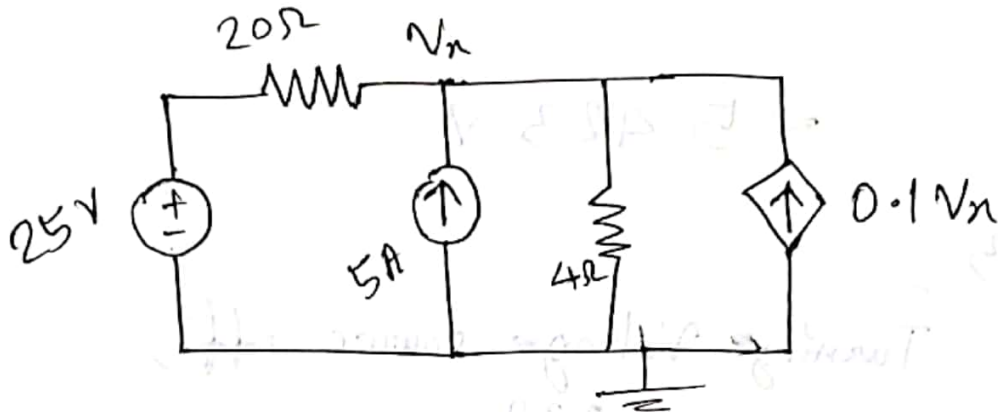
$$V_0 = V_0' + V_0'' = 5.423 \text{ V} - 3.254 \text{ V}$$
$$= \boxed{2.169 \text{ V}} \quad (\text{Ans.})$$

Example-3

→ What if there are dependent sources?

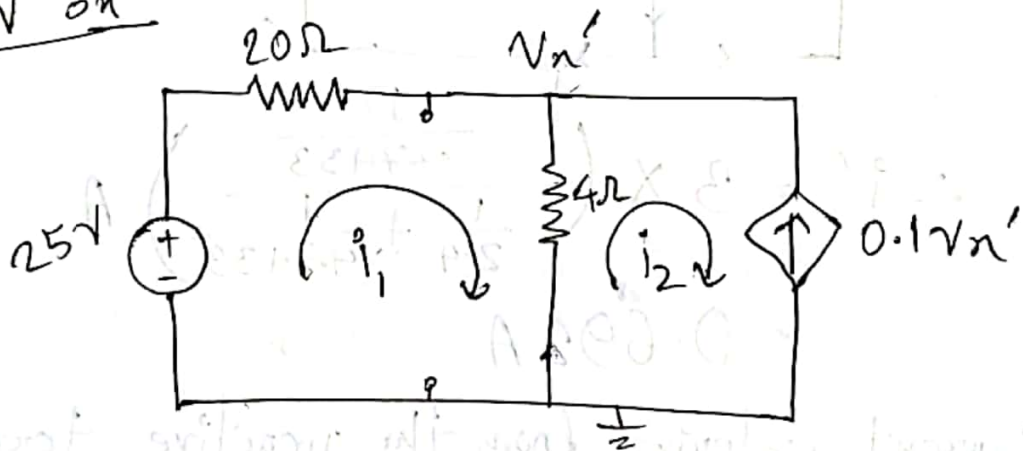
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Just leave them alone!



$$V_n = V_n' + V_n''$$

25V on



$$V_n' = (i_1 - i_2)4$$

Loop-1

$$-25 + 20i_1 + 4(i_1 - i_2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 24i_1 - 4i_2 = 25 \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

Loop-2

$$i_2 = -0.1(i_1 - i_2)4 = -0.1V_n'$$

$$\Rightarrow i_2 = -0.4 i_1 + 0.4 i_2$$

$$\Rightarrow -0.4 i_1 + 0.6 i_2 = 0 \quad \text{--- (ii)}$$

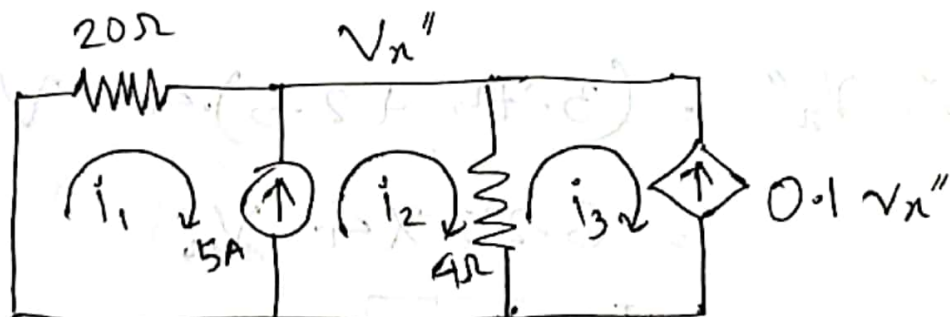
Solving (i) & (ii),

$$i_1 = 0.9375 \text{ A}$$

$$i_2 = -0.625 \text{ A}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore V_{x'} &= (0.9375 + 0.625) 4 \text{ V} \\ &= \boxed{6.25 \text{ V}} \end{aligned}$$

5 A on



$$V_{x''} = (i_2 - i_3) 4$$

Super mesh
1 & 2

$$i_2 - i_1 = 5 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$20 i_1 + 4 (i_2 - i_3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 20 i_1 + 4 i_2 - 4 i_3 = 0 \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

Loop-3

$$i_3 = -0.1 V_n''$$

$$\Rightarrow i_3 = -0.1(i_2 - i_3) \cdot 4$$

$$\Rightarrow 0.4 i_2 + 0.6 i_3 = 0 \quad \text{--- (ii')}$$

Solving (i), (ii), (iii),

$$i_1 = -1.25 \text{ A}$$

$$i_2 = 3.75 \text{ A}$$

$$i_3 = -2.5 \text{ A}$$

$$\therefore V_n'' = (3.75 + 2.5) \cdot 4 \text{ V}$$

$$= 6.25 \times 4 \text{ V}$$

$$= \boxed{25 \text{ V}}$$

$$\therefore V_n = V_n' + V_n''$$

$$= (6.25 + 25) \text{ V}$$

$$= \boxed{31.25 \text{ V}}$$

(Ans)