

Mesh Analysis

Section 3.1, 3.2, 3.4, 3.5

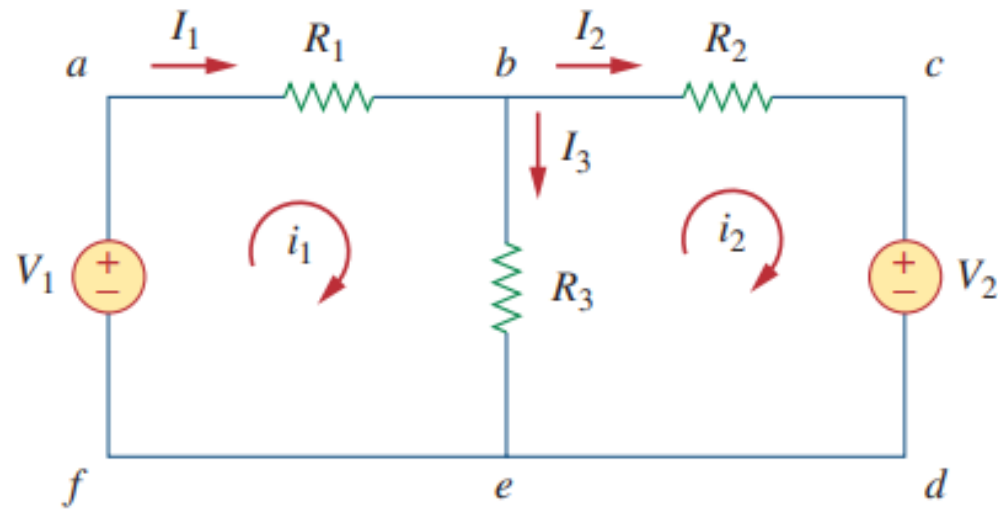
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Loop and Mesh

Loop: Any closed path

Mesh : A mesh is a loop which does not contain any other loops within it



Mesh Analysis

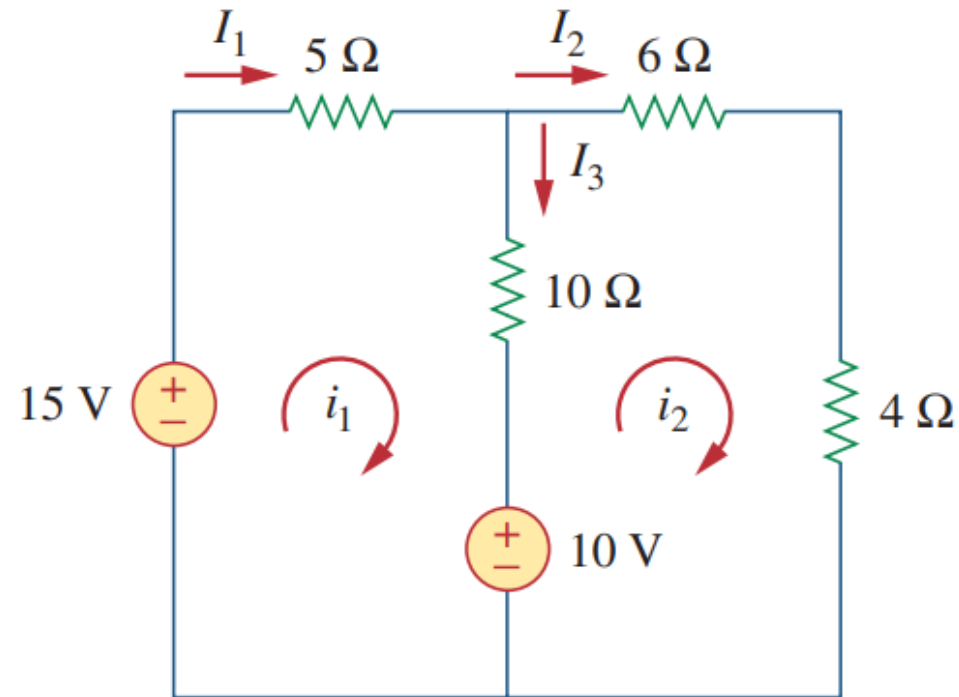
Goal : Finding the mesh Currents.

Steps to Determine Mesh Currents:

1. Assign mesh currents i_1, i_2, \dots, i_n to the n meshes.
2. Apply KVL to each of the n meshes. Use Ohm's law to express the voltages in terms of the mesh currents.
3. Solve the resulting n simultaneous equations to get the mesh currents.

Math Problem Practice:

For the circuit in Fig , find the branch currents I_1 , I_2 , I_3 and using mesh analysis.



Math Problem Practice:

For the circuit in Fig. 3.18, find the branch currents I_1 , I_2 , and I_3 using mesh analysis.

Example 3.5

Solution:

We first obtain the mesh currents using KVL. For mesh 1,

$$-15 + 5i_1 + 10(i_1 - i_2) + 10 = 0$$

or

$$3i_1 - 2i_2 = 1 \quad (3.5.1)$$

For mesh 2,

$$6i_2 + 4i_2 + 10(i_2 - i_1) - 10 = 0$$

or

$$i_1 = 2i_2 - 1 \quad (3.5.2)$$

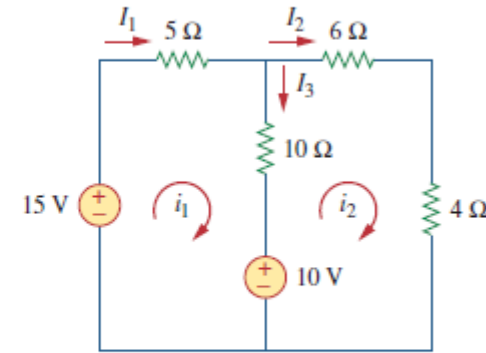


Figure 3.18
For Example 3.5.

■ **METHOD 1** Using the substitution method, we substitute Eq. (3.5.2) into Eq. (3.5.1), and write

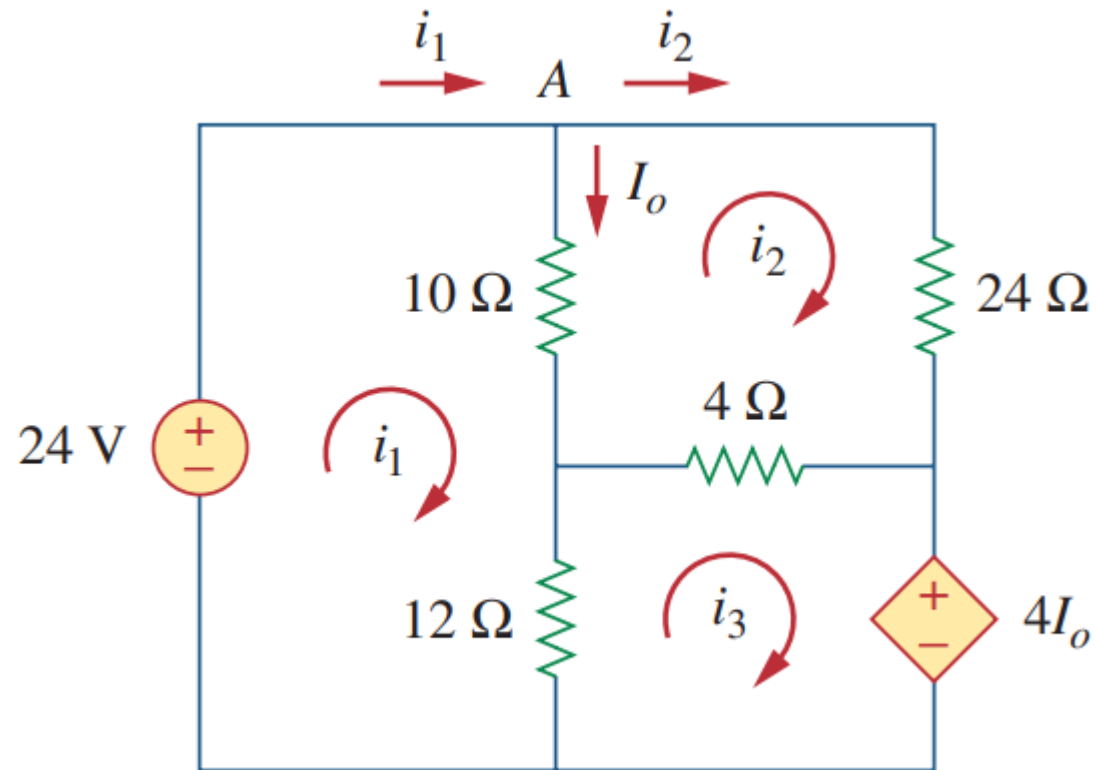
$$6i_2 - 3 - 2i_2 = 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad i_2 = 1 \text{ A}$$

From Eq. (3.5.2), $i_1 = 2i_2 - 1 = 2 - 1 = 1 \text{ A}$. Thus,

$$I_1 = i_1 = 1 \text{ A}, \quad I_2 = i_2 = 1 \text{ A}, \quad I_3 = i_1 - i_2 = 0$$

Math Problem Practice:

Use **mesh analysis** to find the current I_o in the circuit of Fig. below



Reference: Sadiku Example 3.6

Math Problem Practice:

Example 3.6

Use mesh analysis to find the current I_o in the circuit of Fig. 3.20.

Solution:

We apply KVL to the three meshes in turn. For mesh 1,

$$-24 + 10(i_1 - i_2) + 12(i_1 - i_3) = 0$$

or

$$11i_1 - 5i_2 - 6i_3 = 12 \quad (3.6.1)$$

For mesh 2,

$$24i_2 + 4(i_2 - i_3) + 10(i_2 - i_1) = 0$$

or

$$-5i_1 + 19i_2 - 2i_3 = 0 \quad (3.6.2)$$

For mesh 3,

$$4I_o + 12(i_3 - i_1) + 4(i_3 - i_2) = 0$$

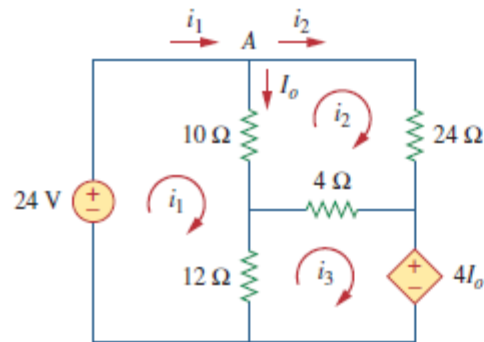


Figure 3.20
For Example 3.6.

But at node A, $I_o = i_1 - i_2$, so that

$$4(i_1 - i_2) + 12(i_3 - i_1) + 4(i_3 - i_2) = 0$$

or

$$-i_1 - i_2 + 2i_3 = 0 \quad (3.6.3)$$

In matrix form, Eqs. (3.6.1) to (3.6.3) become

$$\begin{bmatrix} 11 & -5 & -6 \\ -5 & 19 & -2 \\ -1 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} i_1 \\ i_2 \\ i_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 12 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

We obtain the determinants as

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 11 & -5 & -6 \\ -5 & 19 & -2 \\ -1 & -1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 418 - 30 - 10 - 114 - 22 - 50 = 192$$

$$\Delta_1 = \begin{vmatrix} 12 & -5 & -6 \\ -5 & 19 & -2 \\ -1 & -1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 456 - 24 - 432 = 0$$

$$\Delta_2 = \begin{vmatrix} 11 & 12 & -6 \\ -5 & 19 & -2 \\ -1 & -1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 24 + 120 - 144 = 0$$

$$\Delta_3 = \begin{vmatrix} 11 & -5 & 12 \\ -5 & 19 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 60 + 228 = 288$$

We calculate the mesh currents using Cramer's rule as

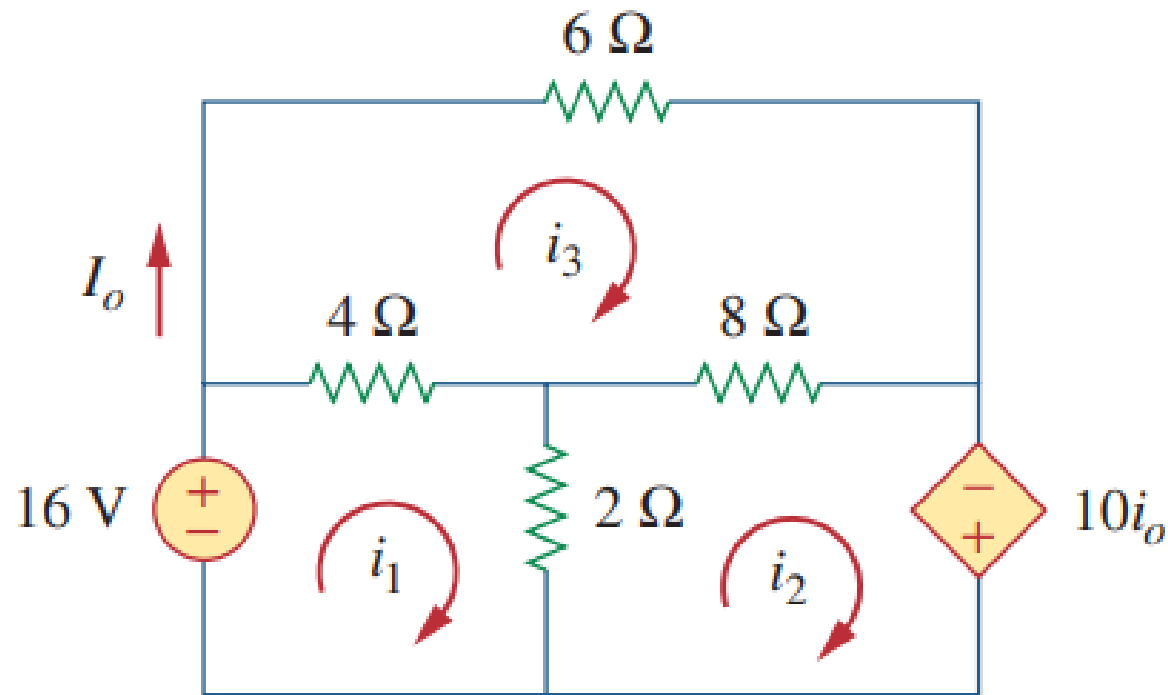
$$i_1 = \frac{\Delta_1}{\Delta} = \frac{0}{192} = 0 \text{ A}, \quad i_2 = \frac{\Delta_2}{\Delta} = \frac{0}{192} = 0 \text{ A},$$

$$i_3 = \frac{\Delta_3}{\Delta} = \frac{288}{192} = 1.5 \text{ A}$$

Thus, $I_o = i_1 - i_2 = 1.5 \text{ A}$.

Math Problem Practice:

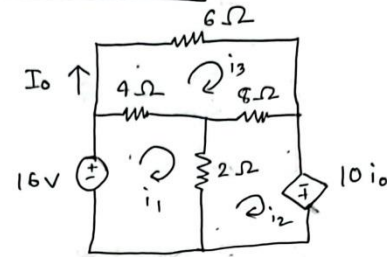
Use **mesh analysis** to find the current I_o in the circuit of Fig. below



Answer: -4 A.

Math Problem Practice:

Practic problem 3.6



For mesh - 1,

$$4(i_1 - i_3) + 2(i_1 - i_2) - 16 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4i_1 - 4i_3 + 2i_1 - 2i_2 = 16$$

$$\Rightarrow 6i_1 - 2i_2 - 4i_3 = 16 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

For mesh - 2,

$$2(i_2 - i_1) + 8(i_2 - i_3) - 10i_o = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2i_2 - 2i_1 + 8i_2 - 8i_3 - 10i_o = 0 \quad [\because i_o = i_3]$$

$$\Rightarrow -2i_1 + 10i_2 - 8i_3 = 0 \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

For mesh - 3,

$$6i_3 + 8(i_3 - i_2) + 4(i_3 - i_1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 6i_3 + 8i_3 - 8i_2 + 4i_3 - 4i_1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -4i_1 - 8i_2 + 18i_3 = 0 \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

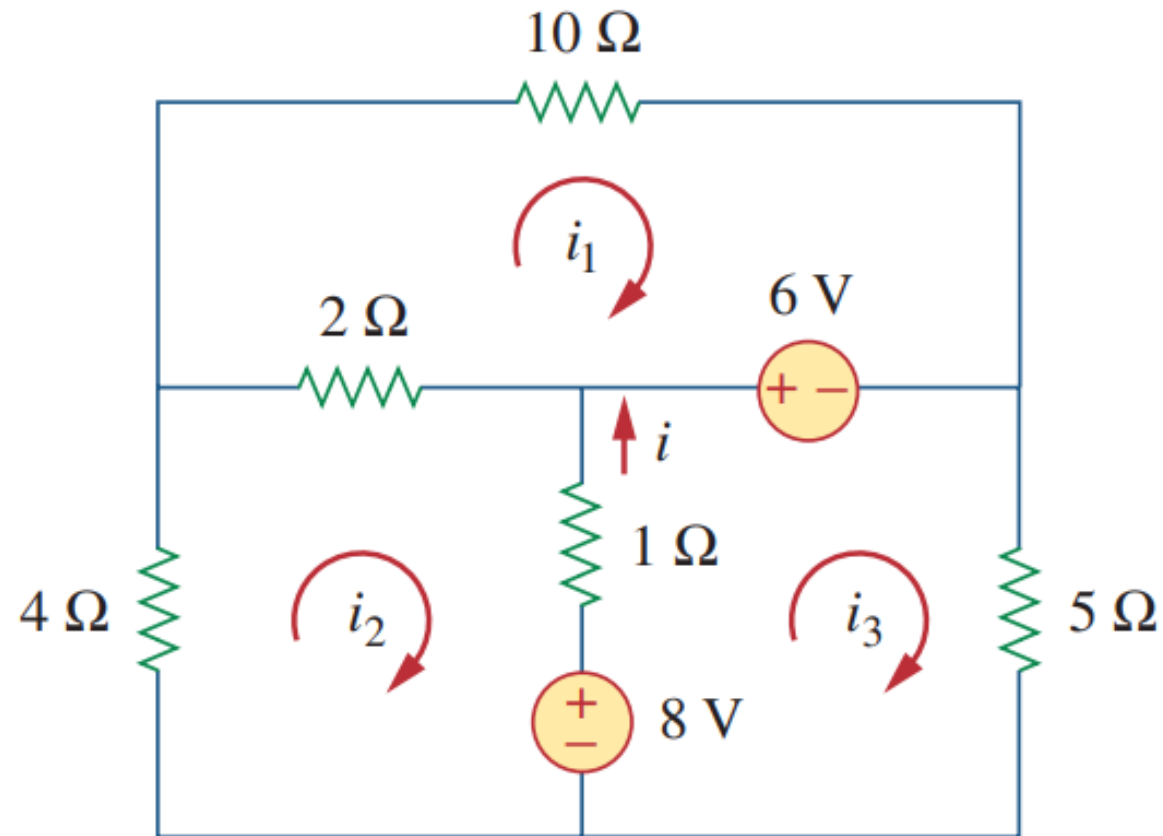
Solving (1), (2), (3) we get,

$$i_1 = -\frac{18}{7} \text{ A}, \quad i_2 = -\frac{54}{7} \text{ A}, \quad i_3 = -4 \text{ A}$$

$$\therefore i_o = -4 \text{ A}$$

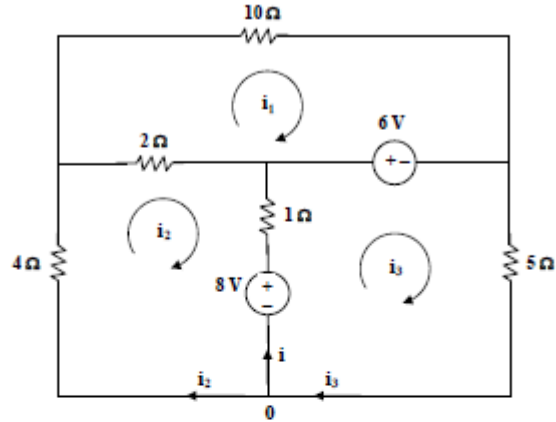
Math Problem Practice:

Apply mesh analysis to find i in Fig. 3.87.



Math Problem Practice:

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For loop 1,

$$6 = 12i_1 - 2i_2 \quad \rightarrow \quad 3 = 6i_1 - i_2 \quad (1)$$

For loop 2,

$$-8 = -2i_1 + 7i_2 - i_3 \quad (2)$$

For loop 3,

$$-8 + 6 + 6i_3 - i_2 = 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad 2 = -i_2 + 6i_3 \quad (3)$$

We put (1), (2), and (3) in matrix form,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 6 & -1 & 0 \\ 2 & -7 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} i_1 \\ i_2 \\ i_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 8 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

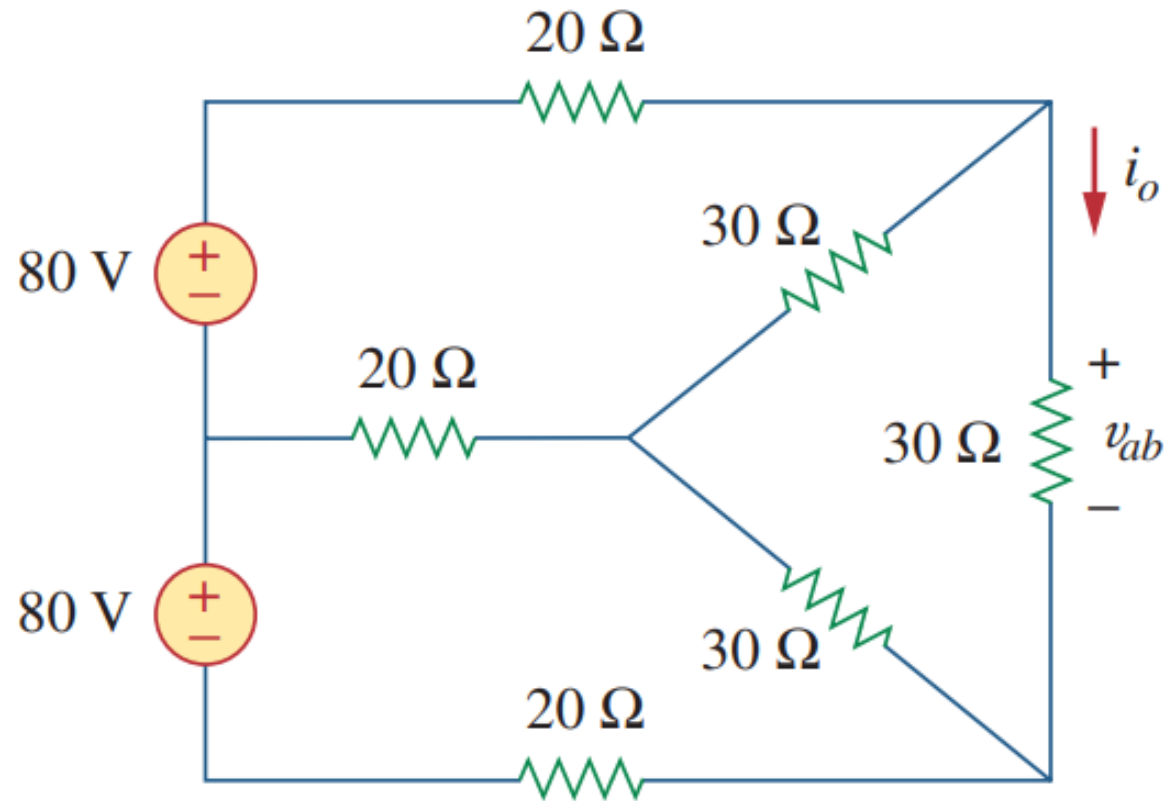
$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 6 & -1 & 0 \\ 2 & -7 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 6 \end{vmatrix} = -234, \quad \Delta_2 = \begin{vmatrix} 6 & 3 & 0 \\ 2 & 8 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 6 \end{vmatrix} = -240$$

$$\Delta_3 = \begin{vmatrix} 6 & -1 & 3 \\ 2 & -7 & 8 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = -38$$

$$\text{At node 0, } i + i_2 = i_3 \text{ or } i = i_3 - i_2 = \frac{\Delta_1 - \Delta_2}{\Delta} = \frac{-38 - 240}{-234} = 1.188 \text{ A}$$

Math Problem Practice:

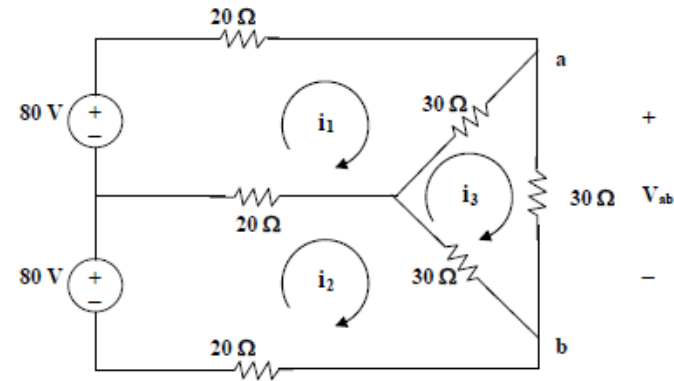
Use mesh analysis to find v_{ab} and i_o in the circuit of Fig. 3.89.



Reference: Sadiku Exercise Problem 3.43

Math Problem Practice:

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For loop 1,

$$80 = 70i_1 - 20i_2 - 30i_3 \longrightarrow 8 = 7i_1 - 2i_2 - 3i_3 \quad (1)$$

For loop 2,

$$80 = 70i_2 - 20i_1 - 30i_3 \longrightarrow 8 = -2i_1 + 7i_2 - 3i_3 \quad (2)$$

For loop 3,

$$0 = -30i_1 - 30i_2 + 90i_3 \longrightarrow 0 = i_1 + i_2 - 3i_3 \quad (3)$$

Solving (1) to (3), we obtain $i_3 = 16/9$

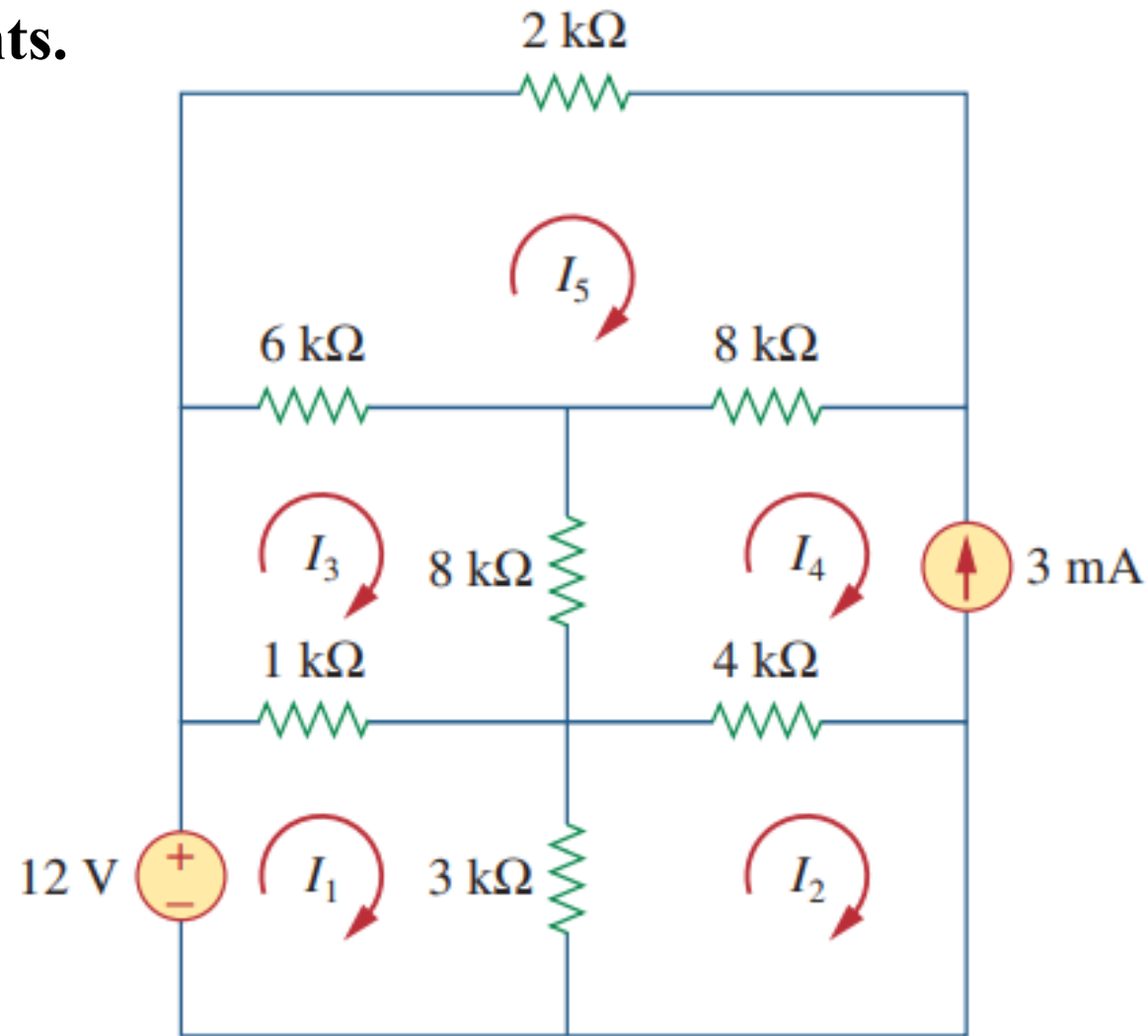
$$I_o = i_3 = 16/9 = 1.7778 \text{ A}$$

$$V_{ab} = 30i_3 = 53.33 \text{ V.}$$

Reference: Sadiku Exercise Problem 3.43

Math Problem Practice:

Find the mesh currents.



Math Problem Practice:

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Applying mesh analysis leads to;

$$-12 + 4kI_1 - 3kI_2 - 1kI_3 = 0 \quad (1)$$

$$-3kI_1 + 7kI_2 - 4kI_4 = 0$$

$$-3kI_1 + 7kI_2 = -12 \quad (2)$$

$$-1kI_1 + 15kI_3 - 8kI_4 - 6kI_5 = 0$$

$$-1kI_1 + 15kI_3 - 6k = -24 \quad (3)$$

$$I_4 = -3\text{mA} \quad (4)$$

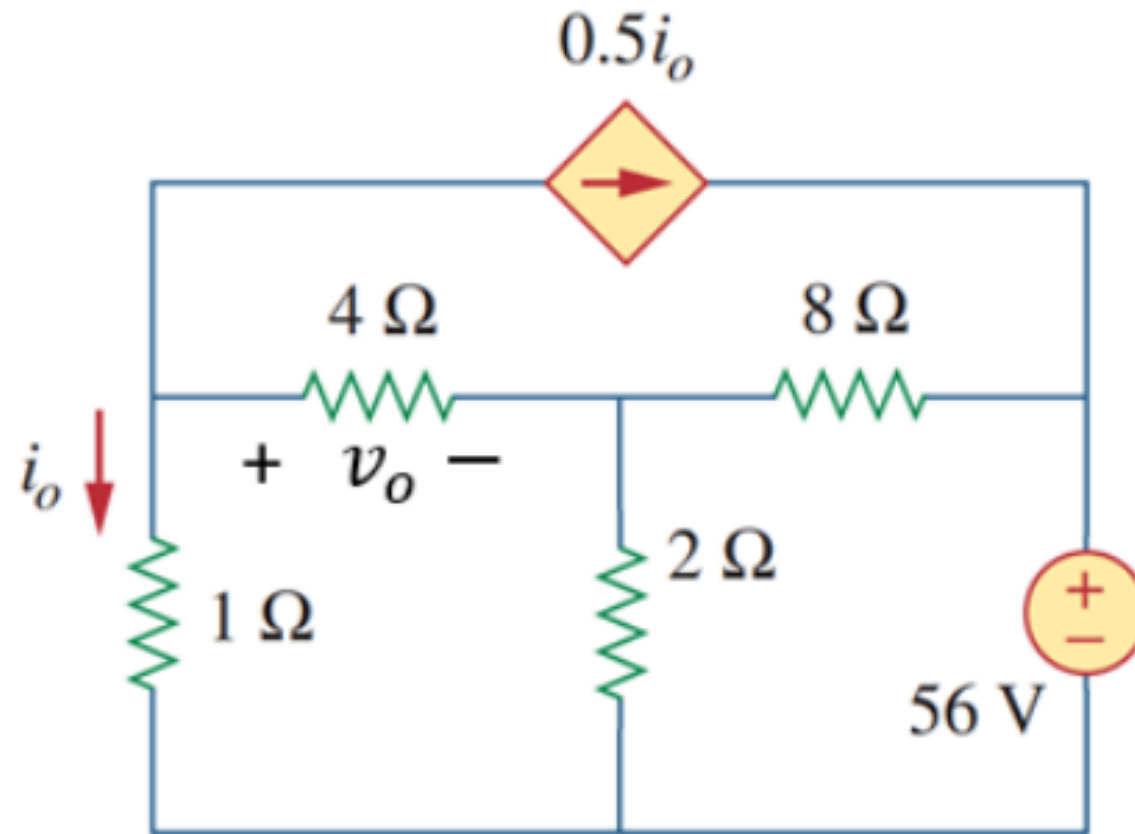
$$-6kI_3 - 8kI_4 + 16kI_5 = 0$$

$$-6kI_3 + 16kI_5 = -24 \quad (5)$$

Math Problem Practice:

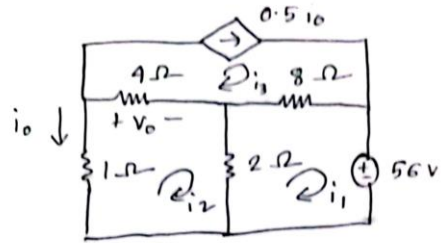
Summer 2022

Calculate the currents through all the resistors using mesh analysis method and find v_o .



Math Problem Practice:

Summer 2022



For loop-1,

$$2(i_1 - i_2) + 8(i_1 - i_3) + 56 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 10i_1 - 2i_2 - 8i_3 = -56 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

For loop-2,

$$1 \times i_2 + 4(i_2 - i_3) + 2(i_2 - i_1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -2i_1 + 7i_2 - 4i_3 = 0 \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$\text{and } i_2 = -i_0 \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

From loop-3,

$$i_3 = 0.5 i_0$$

$$\Rightarrow i_3 = 0.5(-i_2) \quad (\text{from (3)})$$

$$\Rightarrow 0.5 i_2 + i_3 = 0 \quad \text{--- (4)}$$

Solving (1), (2) and (4) we get,

$$i_1 = -5.362 \text{ A}$$

$$i_2 = -1.191 \text{ A}$$

$$i_3 = 0.596 \text{ A}$$

$$4\Omega \rightarrow i = i_2 - i_3 = -1.787 \text{ A}$$

$$8\Omega \rightarrow i = i_1 - i_3 = -5.958 \text{ A}$$

$$1\Omega \rightarrow i = i_2 = -1.191 \text{ A}$$

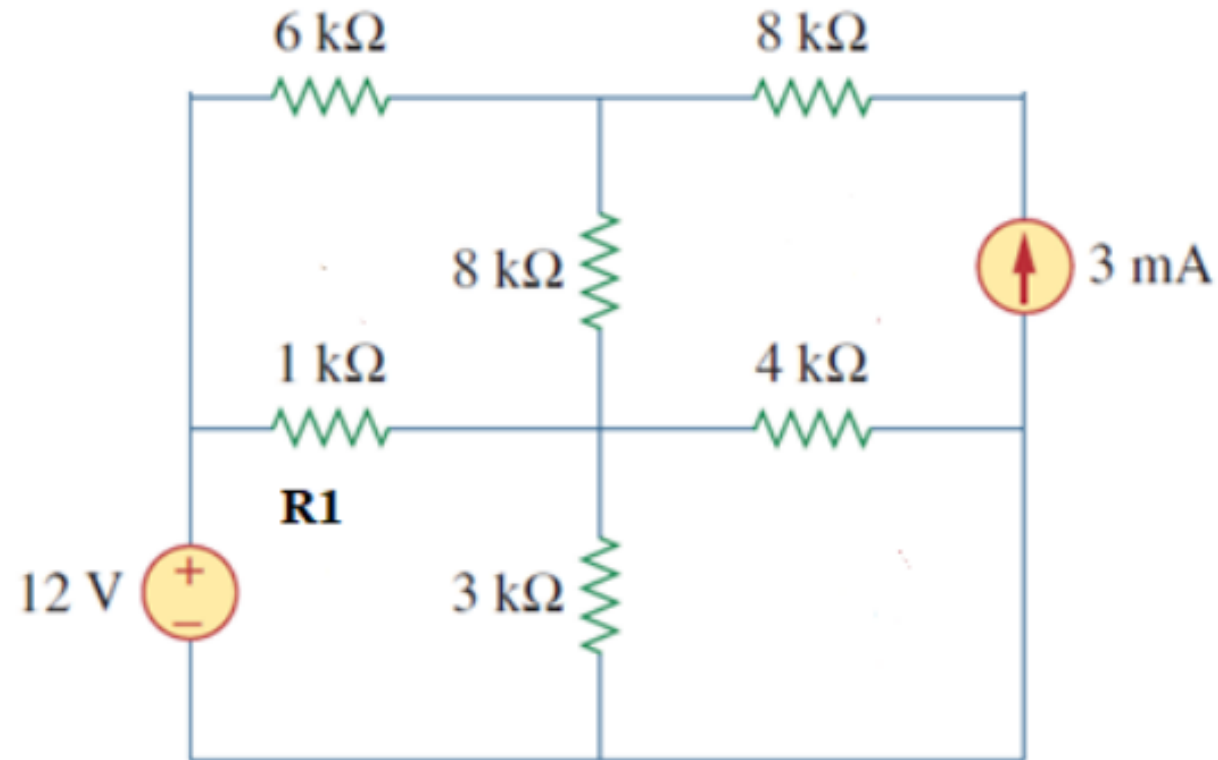
$$2\Omega \rightarrow i = i_1 - i_2 = -4.171 \text{ A}$$

$$V_0 = 4(i_2 - i_3) = -7.148 \text{ V}$$

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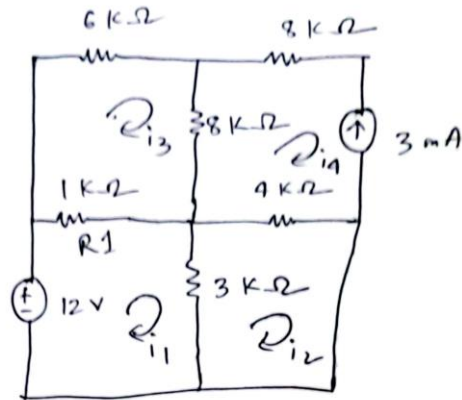
Fall 2022

- (a) Determine the currents in all resistors using Mesh Analysis.
- (b) Determine the power absorbed the in R1 resistor.



Math Problem Practice:

Fall 2022



For loop-1,

$$-12 + 1 \times (i_1 - i_3) + 3(i_1 - i_2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4i_1 - 3i_2 - i_3 = 12 \dots (1)$$

For loop-2,

$$3(i_2 - i_1) + 4(i_2 - i_4) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -3i_1 + 7i_2 - 4i_4 = 0 \dots (2)$$

For loop-3,

$$6i_3 + 8(i_3 - i_4) + 1(i_3 - i_1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -i_1 + 15i_3 - 8i_4 = 0 \dots (3)$$

For loop-4,

$$i_4 = -3 \text{ mA}$$

$$(2) \Rightarrow -3i_1 + 7i_2 - 4(-3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -3i_1 + 7i_2 = -12 \dots (4)$$

$$(3) \Rightarrow -i_1 + 15i_3 - 8 \times (-3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -i_1 + 15i_3 = -24 \dots (5)$$

Solving (1), (4), (5), we get,

$$i_1 = 1.986 \text{ mA}$$

$$i_2 = -0.863 \text{ mA}$$

$$i_3 = -1.468 \text{ mA}$$

$$6 \text{ k}\Omega \rightarrow i = i_3 = -1.468 \text{ mA}$$

$$8 \text{ k}\Omega \rightarrow i = i_3 - i_4 = 1.532 \text{ mA}$$

$$1 \text{ k}\Omega \rightarrow i = i_3 - i_1 = -3.454 \text{ mA}$$

$$3 \text{ k}\Omega \rightarrow i = i_1 - i_2 = 2.849 \text{ mA}$$

$$4 \text{ k}\Omega \rightarrow i = i_2 - i_4 = 2.137 \text{ mA}$$

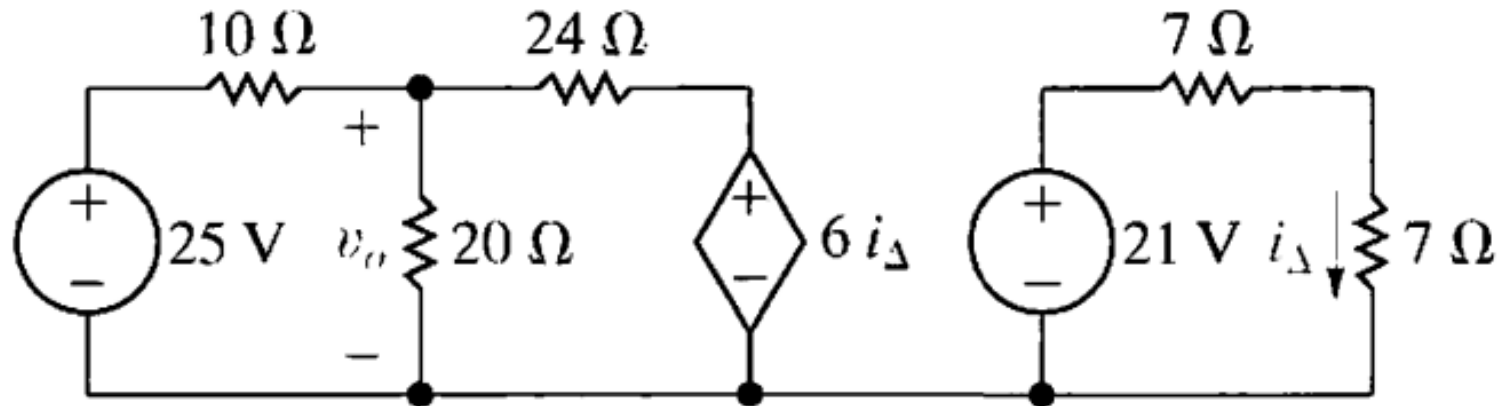
$$(b) \text{ For } R_1, P = I^2 R = (-3.454 \times 10^{-3})^2 \times 1000$$

$$= 11.93 \text{ mW}$$

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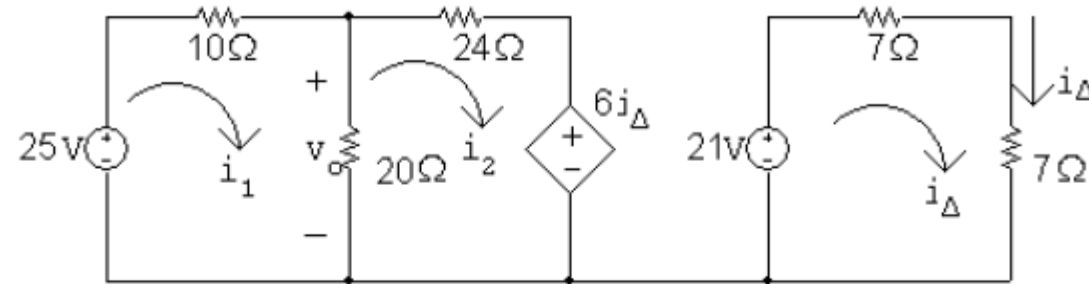
- a) Use the mesh-current method to find v_o in the circuit in Fig. P4.37.
- b) Find the power delivered by the dependent source.

Figure P4.37



Math Problem Practice:

P 4.37 [a]



$$25 = 30i_1 - 20i_2 + 0i_\Delta$$

$$0 = -20i_1 + 44i_2 + 6i_\Delta$$

$$21 = 0i_1 + 0i_2 + 14i_\Delta$$

$$\text{Solving, } i_1 = 1 \text{ A; } i_2 = 0.25 \text{ A; } i_\Delta = 1.5 \text{ A}$$

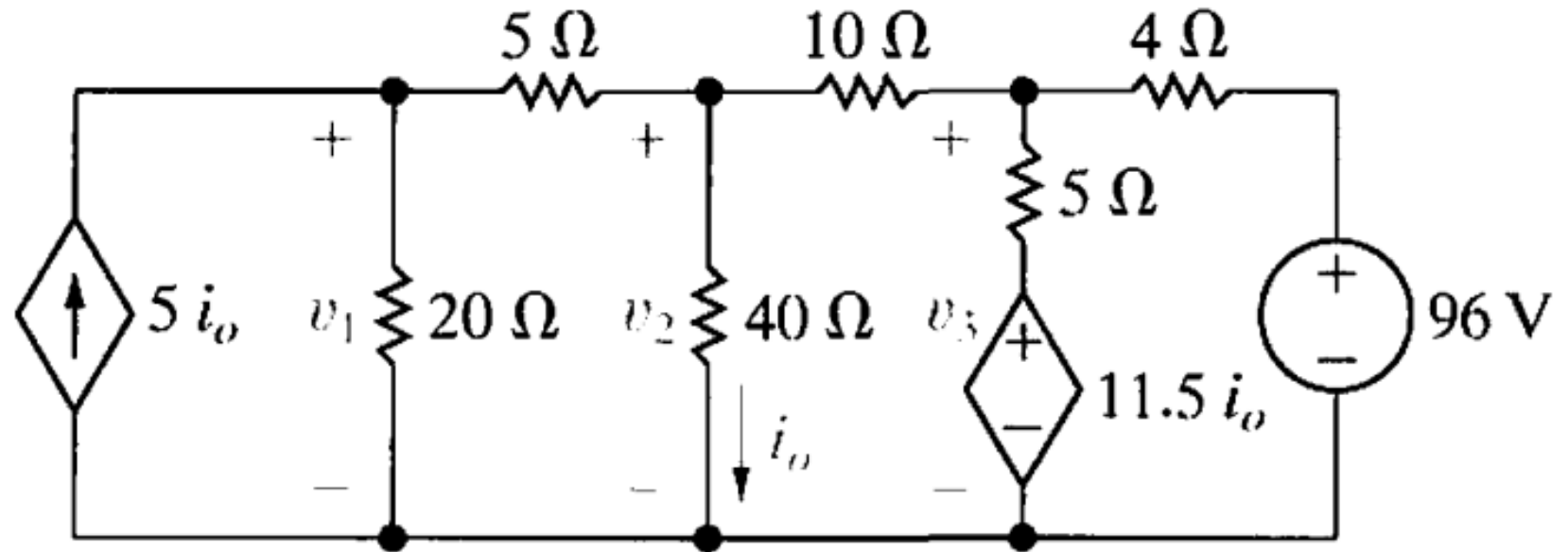
$$v_o = 20(i_1 - i_2) = 20(0.75) = 15 \text{ V}$$

$$[b] \ p_{6i_\Delta} = 6i_\Delta i_2 = (6)(1.5)(0.25) = 2.25 \text{ W (abs)}$$

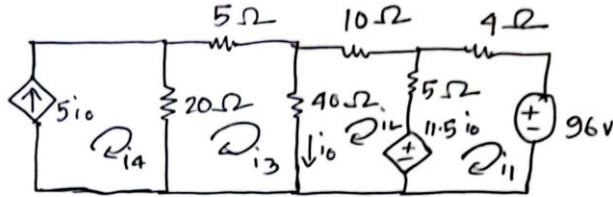
$$\therefore \ p_{6i_\Delta} \text{ (deliver)} = -2.25 \text{ W}$$

Math Problem Practice:

Find the mesh currents.



Math Problem Practice:



For loop-1,

$$\begin{aligned} 4i_1 + 96 - 11.5i_0 + 5(i_1 - i_2) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow 4i_1 + 96 - 11.5(i_3 - i_2) + 5(i_1 - i_2) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow 4i_1 - 11.5i_3 + 11.5i_2 + 5i_1 - 5i_2 &= -96 \\ \therefore 9i_1 + 6.5i_2 - 11.5i_3 &= -96 \dots (1) \end{aligned}$$

for loop-2,

$$\begin{aligned} 5(i_2 - i_1) + 11 \cdot 5i_0 + 40(i_2 - i_3) + 10i_2 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow 5(i_2 - i_1) + 11 \cdot 5(i_3 - i_2) + 40(i_2 - i_3) + 10i_2 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow 5i_2 - 5i_1 + 11 \cdot 5i_3 - 11 \cdot 5i_2 + 40i_2 - 40i_3 + 10i_2 &= 0 \\ \therefore -5i_1 + 43 \cdot 5i_2 - 28 \cdot 5i_3 &= 0 \dots (2) \end{aligned}$$

for loop-3,

$$\therefore -40i_2 + 65i_3 - 20i_4 = 0 \dots (3)$$

For loop- 4,

$$\begin{aligned} i_4 &= 5i_0 \\ \Rightarrow i_4 &= 5(i_3 - i_2) \\ \Rightarrow i_4 &= 5i_3 - 5i_2 \\ \Rightarrow 5i_2 - 5i_3 + i_4 &= 0 \quad \text{--- (4)} \end{aligned}$$

Solving ①, ②, ③ and ④ we get,

$$\begin{aligned} i_1 &= -4.5 \text{ A} \\ i_2 &= 4.2 \text{ A} \\ i_3 &= 7.2 \text{ A} \\ i_4 &= 15 \text{ A} \end{aligned}$$

Math to Practice from the Book for Exam

- **Chapter 3**

- **Example:**

- 3.1, 3.2, 3.5, 3.6, 3.7

- **Practice Problem:**

- 3.1, 3.2, 3.5, 3.6, 3.7

- **Problem:**

- 3.2 to 3.9, 3.12, 3.14, 3.19, 3.38, 3.40, 3.41, 3.42, 3.43, 3.44, 3.45, 3.46, 3.48, 3.50, 3.51, 3.52, 3.55, 3.58, 3.63

- **N:B: Please note that the supernode concept is not in the present syllabus!**

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