

# ELL101: INTRODUCTION TO ELECTRICAL ENG.



## Basic Laws of Circuit Theory

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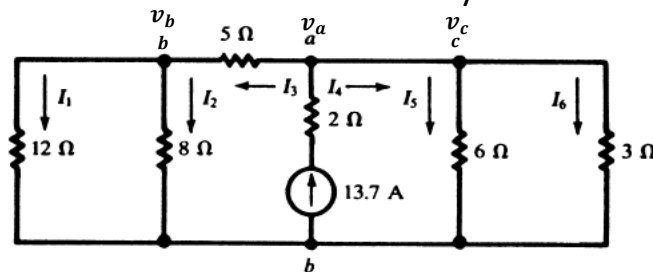
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## Basic Laws of Circuits

- Consider the electric circuit below.
- In this circuit there is a current source, resistances, nodes, branches, and loops.
- How to find the value of current in a particular branch or potential at a particular node.
- For that we need basic laws of circuit theory.



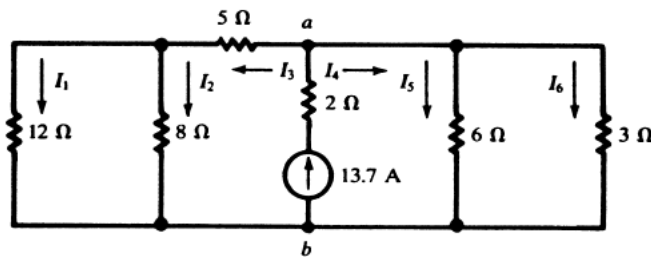
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## Sign Convention for Current

- The currents entering at a specific node can be taken as negative
- The currents leaving a specific node can be taken as positive
- Vice-versa is also fine.



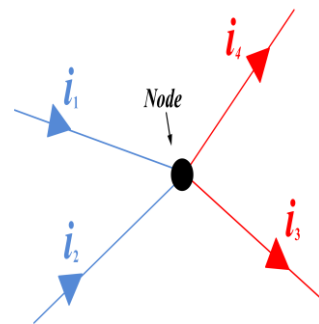
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## Kirchhoff's Current Law (KCL)

- The algebraic sum of the currents entering any node is zero
- A node is not a circuit element, and it certainly cannot store, destroy, or generate charge. Hence, the currents must sum to zero
- KCL is based on conservation of charge



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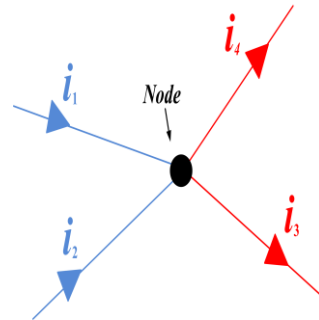
## Illustration of KCL

- Example node to illustrate the application of Kirchhoff's current law.
- Consider the node shown in the figure. The algebraic sum of the four currents entering the node must be zero:  

$$(-i_1) + (-i_2) + (i_3) + (i_4) = 0$$
- We might also wish to equate the sum of the currents having reference arrows directed into the node to the sum of those directed out of the node:

$$i_1 + i_2 = i_3 + i_4$$

which simply states that the sum of the currents going in must equal the sum of the currents going out.



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## Example of KCL

- Obtain the currents  $I_1$  and  $I_2$  for the network shown

### Solution

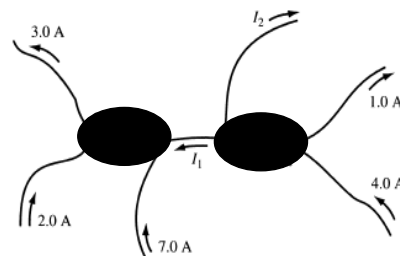
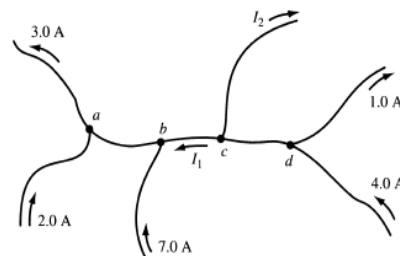
- $a$  and  $b$  comprise one node.
- Applying KCL

$$3 - 2 - 7 - I_1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow I_1 = -6A$$

$$I_1 + I_2 + 1 - 4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow I_2 = 9A$$



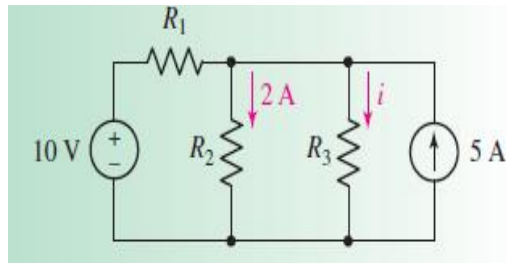
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## Example of KCL

- For the circuit below, compute the current through resistor  $R_3$  if it is known that the voltage source supplies a current of 3 A



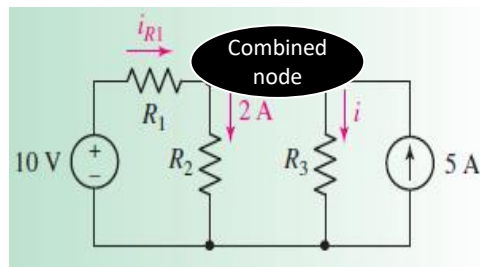
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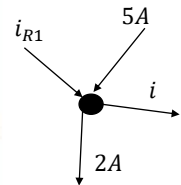
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## Solution

- The current through resistor  $R_3$ , labeled as  $i$  on the circuit diagram
- If we label the current through  $R_1$ , we may write a KCL equation at the top node of resistors  $R_2$  and  $R_3$ .



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Summing the currents flowing into the node:

$$(-i_{R_1}) + 2 + i - 5 = 0$$

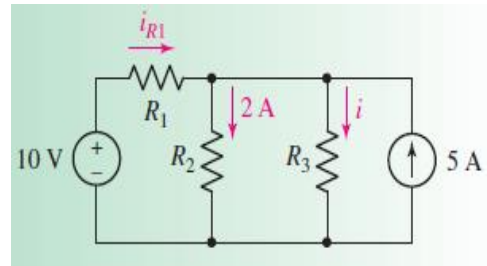
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- We have one equation but two unknowns, which means we need to obtain an additional equation
- If we know the 10 V source is supplying 3 A comes in handy, then KCL shows us that this is also the current  $i_{R_1}$

$$\Rightarrow i_{R_1} = 3A$$

- Substituting, we find that  $i = 6A$



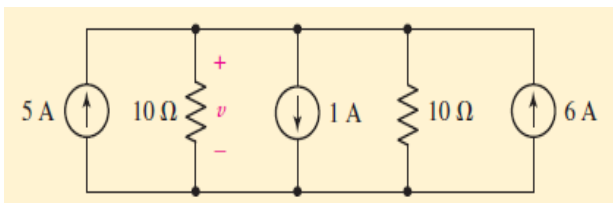
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## Problem Based on KCL with Current Sources

- Determine  $v$  in the circuit shown below:



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- Applying KCL at the upper node of the resistor  $10\Omega$ , we get:

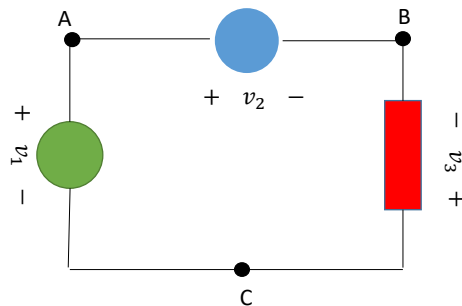
$$\begin{aligned}
 (-5) + \frac{v}{10} + 1 + \frac{v}{10} - 6 &= 0 \\
 \Rightarrow v &= 50V
 \end{aligned}$$

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# Kirchhoff's Voltage Law(KVL)

- The algebraic sum of the voltages around any closed path is zero
- KVL is based on conservation of energy



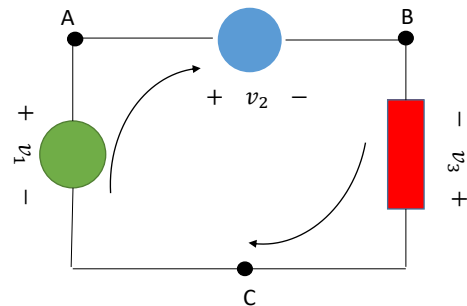
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## Sign Convention for KVL

- Moving around the closed path in a clockwise direction and writing down directly the voltage of each element first met
- It means if we first meet the (+) terminal of a voltage source, then (+V) is considered, and if we first meet the (-) terminal of a voltage source, then (-V) is considered
- Applying this to figure, we have:
 
$$-v_1 + v_2 - v_3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow v_2 = v_1 + v_3$$



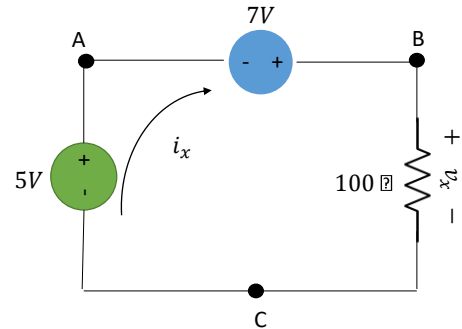
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## Example of KVL

In the circuit, find  $v_x$

- We know the voltage across two of the three elements in the circuit
- Beginning with the bottom node of the 5 V source, we apply KVL clockwise around the loop:
- $-5 - 7 + v_x = 0$
- $\Rightarrow v_x = 12V$
- If we need to find  $i_x$ , we can invoke Ohm's law as:
- $i_x = \frac{v_x}{100} = \frac{12}{100} = 120\text{mA}$



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## KVL-KCL Example

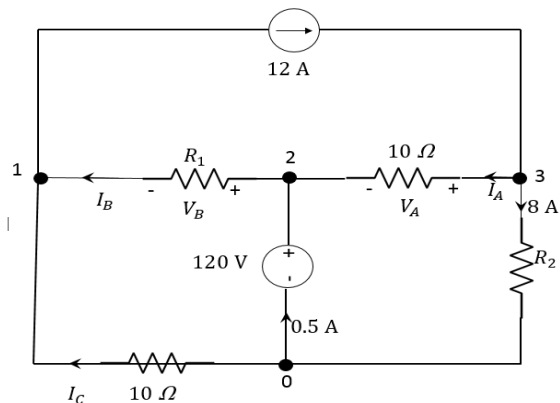
Calculate  $V_A$ ,  $I_B$ ,  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$  in the circuit in figure

- Applying KCL to node 3 gives
 
$$12 = I_A + 8$$

$$I_A = 4A$$
- From Ohm's law
 
$$V_A = 10I_A = 40V$$
- Applying KCL to node 2 yields
 
$$I_B = I_A + 0.5$$

$$I_B = 4.5A$$
- At node 0, KCL shows that
 
$$8 = I_C + 0.5$$

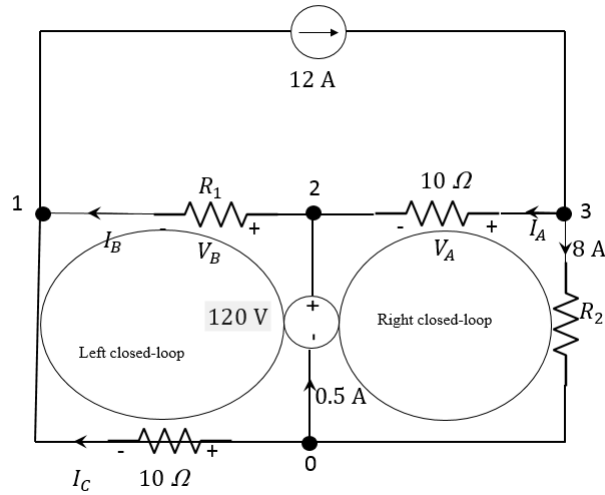
$$I_C = 7.5A$$



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- Applying KVL the closed-loop on the left of figure
- $V_B = (10 \times 7.5) + 120$
- $V_B = 195V$
- Hence, from Ohm's law
- $R_1 = \frac{V_B}{I_B} = \frac{195}{4.5} = 43.33\Omega$
- Applying KVL the closed-loop on the right of figure
- $120 + (10 \times I_A) = 8 \times R_2$
- $120 + 40 = 8 \times R_2$
- $R_2 = \frac{160}{8} = 20\Omega$

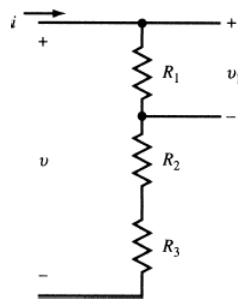


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## Voltage Division

- Since  $v_1 = iR_1$
- From KVL:  $i = \frac{v}{R_1 + R_2 + R_3}$
- $v_1 = \frac{R_1}{R_1 + R_2 + R_3} v$
- $v_2 = \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2 + R_3} v$
- $v_3 = \frac{R_3}{R_1 + R_2 + R_3} v$

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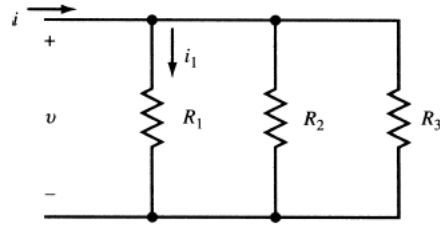


## Current Division

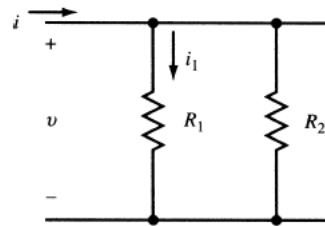
- As  $i_1 = \frac{v}{R_1}$ ,  $i_2 = \frac{v}{R_2}$ ,  $i_3 = \frac{v}{R_3}$
- From KCL:  $i = i_1 + i_2 + i_3$   

$$= \frac{v}{R_1} + \frac{v}{R_2} + \frac{v}{R_3}$$
- $\frac{i_1}{i} = \frac{\frac{1}{R_1}}{\frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} + \frac{1}{R_3}} = \frac{R_2 R_3}{R_1 R_2 + R_2 R_3 + R_1 R_3}$
- $\frac{i_2}{i} = \frac{R_1 R_3}{R_1 R_2 + R_2 R_3 + R_1 R_3}$
- $\frac{i_3}{i} = \frac{R_1 R_2}{R_1 R_2 + R_2 R_3 + R_1 R_3}$
- If  $R_3 = \infty$ ,  $R_3$  is open circuit or not present, then  

$$\frac{i_1}{i} = \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{i_2}{i} = \frac{R_1}{R_1 + R_2}$$



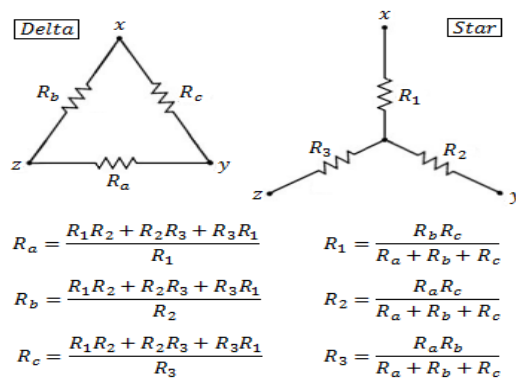
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## Star $\Leftrightarrow$ Delta Conversion

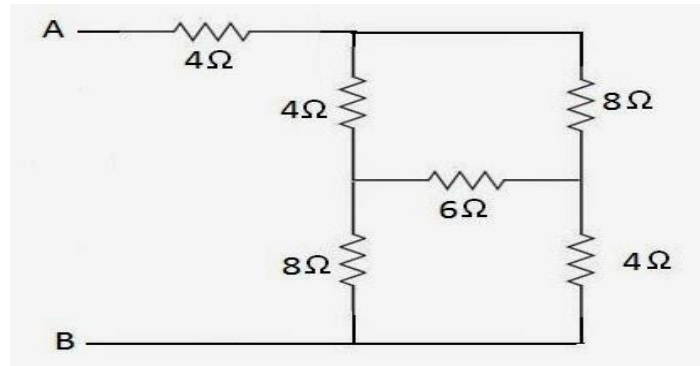


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Find the equivalent resistance between A and B in the given network

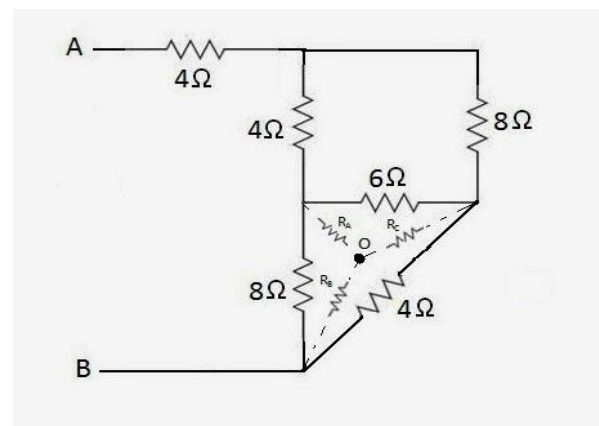
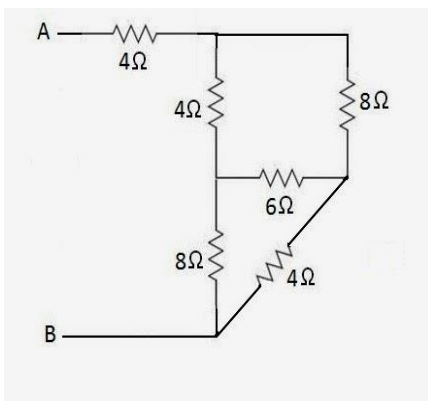


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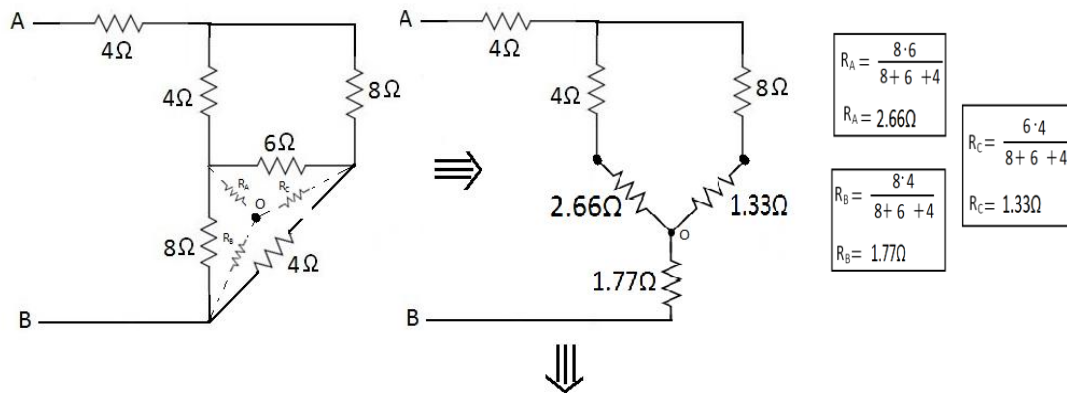
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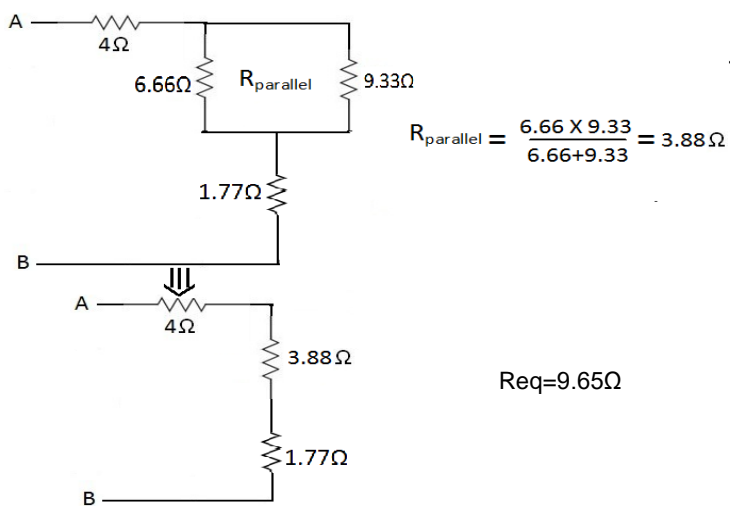
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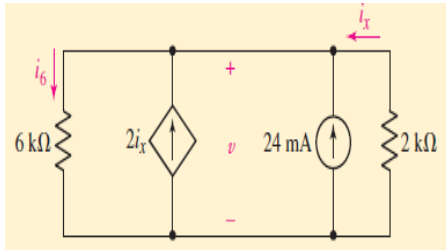


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## Problem Based on KCL with Dependent Current Source

- Determine the value of  $v$ ?



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- Applying KCL at the two upper nodes of the two current sources, we get:

$$i_6 - 2i_x - 0.024 - i_x = 0 \quad (1)$$

- We next apply Ohm's law to each resistor:

$$i_6 = \frac{v}{6000} \text{ and } i_x = \frac{-v}{2000} \quad (2)$$

- Therefore, on substituting (2) into (1) we get,

$$\frac{v}{6000} - 2\left(\frac{-v}{2000}\right) - 0.024 - \left(\frac{-v}{2000}\right) = 0$$

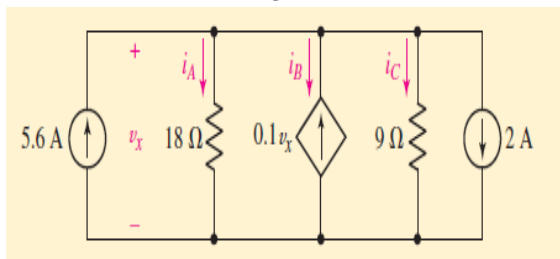
$$\text{and so } v = (600)(0.024) = 14.4\text{V}$$

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## Problem Based on KCL with Dependent Current Source

- For the circuit shown below, find  $i_A$ ,  $i_B$ , and  $i_C$



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- Let us first determine  $v_x$

- Applying KCL, we get:

$$(-5.6) + \frac{v_x}{18} - 0.1v_x + \frac{v_x}{9} + 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow v_x = \frac{64.8}{1.2} = 54\text{V}$$

$$\therefore i_A = \frac{v_x}{18} = 3\text{A},$$

$$i_B = -0.1v_x = -5.4\text{A}$$

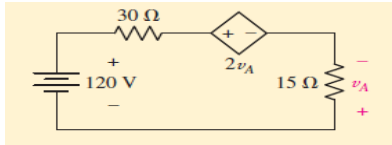
$$\text{and } i_C = \frac{v_x}{9} = 6\text{A}$$

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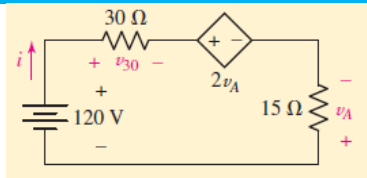
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## Problem Based on KVL with Dependent Voltage Source

- Compute the voltage  $v_A$  for the circuit shown



- We first assign a reference direction for the current  $i$  and a reference polarity for the voltage  $v_{30}$  as shown below



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- There is no need to assign a voltage to the  $15\Omega$  resistor, since the controlling voltage  $v_A$  for the dependent source is already available.

- This circuit contains a dependent voltage source, the value of which remains unknown until we determine  $v_A$

- However, its algebraic value  $2v_A$  can be used in the same fashion as if a numerical value were available. Thus, applying KVL around the loop:

$$-120 + v_{30} + 2v_A - v_A = 0 \quad (1)$$

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

$$v_{30} = 30i \text{ and } v_A = -15i \quad (2)$$

- Note that the negative sign is required since  $i$  flows into the negative terminal of  $v_A$

- Substituting (2) into (1) yields  $-120 + 30i - 30i + 15i = 0 \quad (3)$

- and so we find that

$$i = 8A \quad (4)$$

- Therefore,  $v_A = -120V$