

# THE UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE

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ELEN20005 FOUNDATIONS OF ELECTRICAL NETWORKS

Time allowed: 60 minutes

This paper has 6 pages

## Authorised materials:

Only the following calculators may be used:

- Casio FX82 (any suffix)
- Casio FX100 (any suffix)

Students may bring **ONE** sheet of A4 paper containing their own notes into the exam room.

## Instructions to invigilators:

All examination material (script book and test paper) will be collected at the end of the Test.

## Instruction to students:

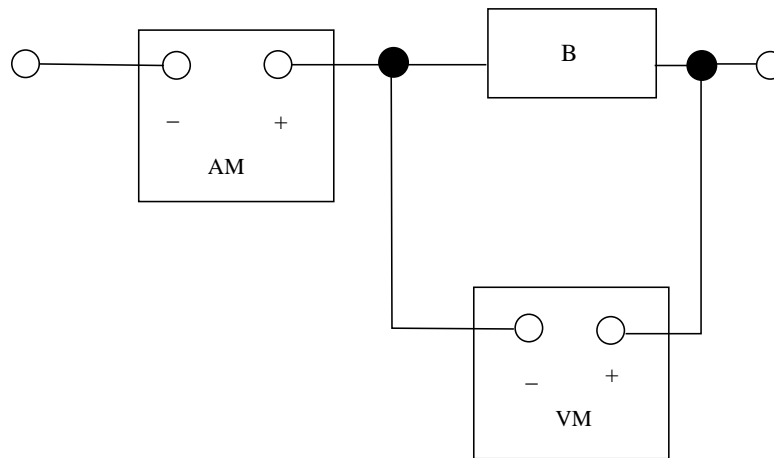
Attempt **ALL** questions.

The questions carry weight in proportion to the marks in brackets after the question numbers. These marks total 50 marks. **You must show your work in order to receive credit!**

Answer all questions and show all working in the script book provided, except for **the circuit diagram in Question 5(c), which must be drawn on the breadboard diagram on page 6 of this Question paper.**

**Question 1 (5 marks)**

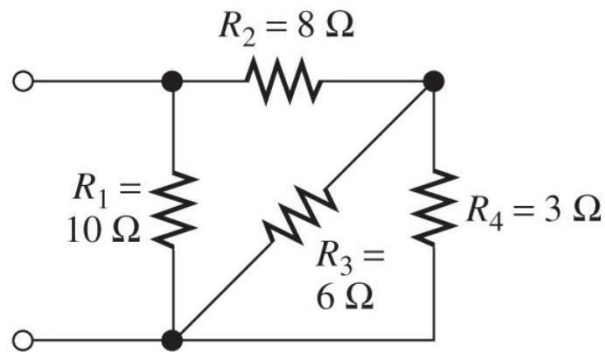
Consider the figure below. An ammeter (AM) and voltmeter (VM) are connected to measure the current through and the voltage across a device  $B$ . When positive current enters the AM meter at the  $+$  terminal the reading will be positive, otherwise a negative reading results. If the voltage potential at the  $+$  terminal is higher than the voltage potential at the  $-$  terminal of the VM meter, the reading will be positive, otherwise a negative reading results. For the purpose of this exercise, assume that the VM does not require any current through it to register a reading.



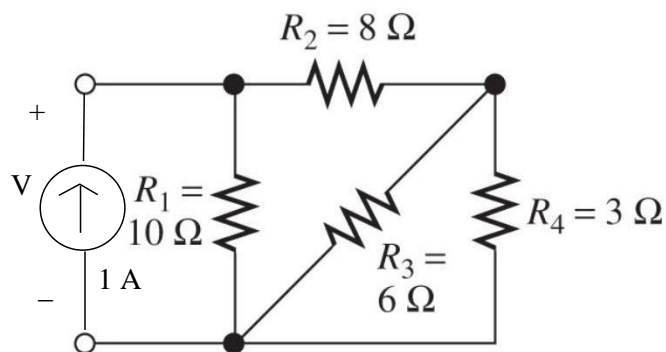
- (a) Decide whether Passive or Active Sign Convention used in this figure. Give reasons for your answer.
- (b) The AM reading is  $3\text{ A}$  and the VM reading is  $-10\text{ V}$ . Calculate the power for the device  $B$ , and indicate if it is absorbing or generating power.

**Question 2 (12 marks)**

- (a) By combining resistors that are in series or in parallel, find the equivalent resistance at the input terminals for the following circuit:



- (b) A 1 A test current is applied at the input terminals as shown.



Use Node Voltage Analysis to compute the voltage  $V$  observed across the input terminals.

- (c) Use your answer to part (b) to verify your answer from part (a) for the equivalent resistance.

**Question 3 (6 marks)**

- (a) A 5-band resistor has colour bands Brown/Black/Black/Brown/Red. What are its resistance and tolerance?
- (b) What are the colour bands of a 4-band  $6.8\text{ mH}$  inductor with a 2% tolerance?
- (c) A polyester capacitor has a capacitance  $3.3\text{ nF}$ , and a tolerance of 5%. What is its alpha-numeric code?

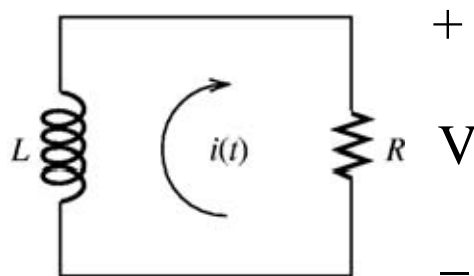
Use the following colour codes and tolerances.

Silver =  $10^{-2}$    Gold =  $10^{-1}$    Black = 0   Brown = 1   Red = 2   Orange = 3  
Yellow = 4   Green = 5   Blue = 6   Purple = 7   Grey = 8   White = 9

Tolerances (Resistors and Inductors)   Silver = 10%   Gold = 5 %   Red = 2%   Brown = 1%  
Tolerances (Capacitors)   M = 20%   K = 10 %   J = 5%

**Question 4 (13 marks)**

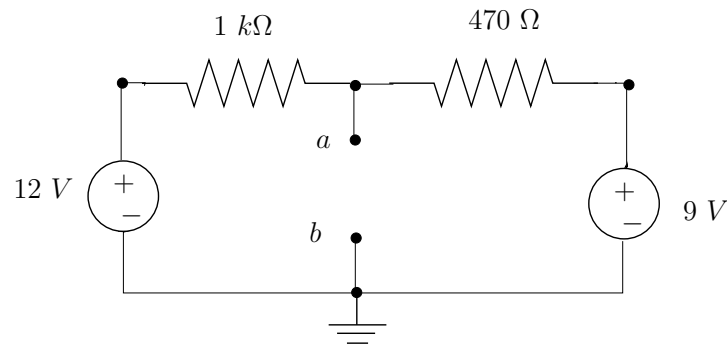
The circuit below has an initial current at time  $t = 0$  of  $i(0) = I_0$ .



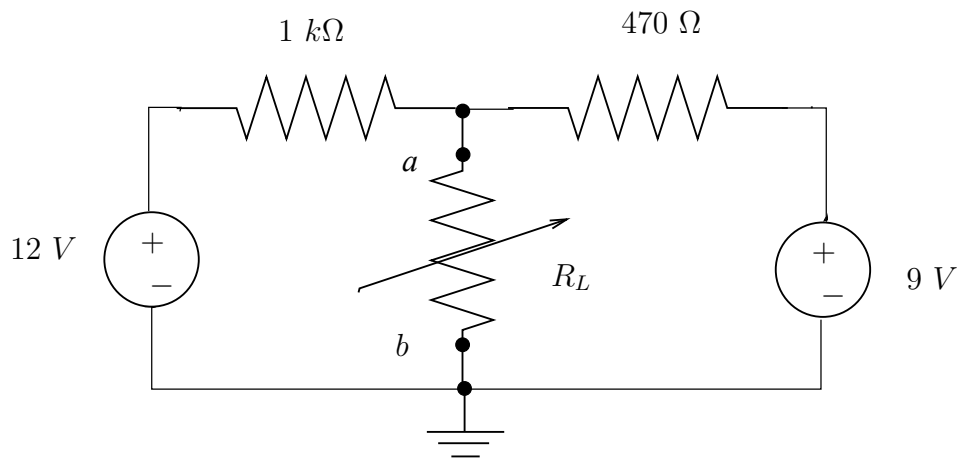
Find expressions for  $i(t)$  and  $V(t)$ , the voltage across the resistor, in terms of  $L$ ,  $R$  and  $I_0$ .

**Question 5 (14 marks)**

- (a) For the following circuit, find and draw the equivalent Norton circuit at the output terminals  $a$  and  $b$ .



- (b) Now assume that a variable load resistor  $R_L$  is placed between nodes  $a$  and  $b$ . Use your Norton circuit to find the value of  $R_L$  such that the current through the load from  $a$  to  $b$  will be  $20\text{ mA}$ .



- (c) Your laboratory kit contains the following equipment:

- GDM 8135 digital multimeter;
- GPS 3303 DC Power Supply;
- A breadboard and connecting wires;
- A  $470\ \Omega$  and a  $1\text{ k}\Omega$  resistor, and a  $1\text{ k}\Omega$  variable resistor.
- Two pairs of red and black banana-banana leads, and one pair of multimeter probes.

Use the Breadboard diagram below to show how you would build the circuit in Part (b), and measure the current from  $a$  to  $b$ . Draw and label the input DC power supply, the multimeter, the voltage terminals, the resistors (these may be drawn as rectangular boxes) and the connecting wires. Also label nodes  $a$  and  $b$  and show where you would place the multimeter probes in order to measure the current through the variable resistor.

