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# ECOR1043: Circuits

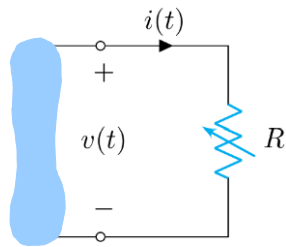
## Additional Analysis Techniques

Thevenin's and Norton's Theorems

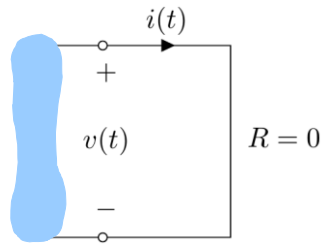
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## Reminder From Earlier

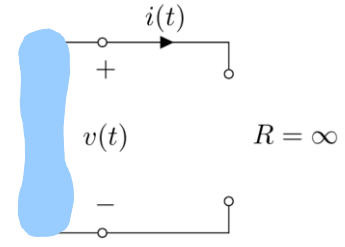
- Special Cases of Resistance



Variable Resistor



Short-Circuit



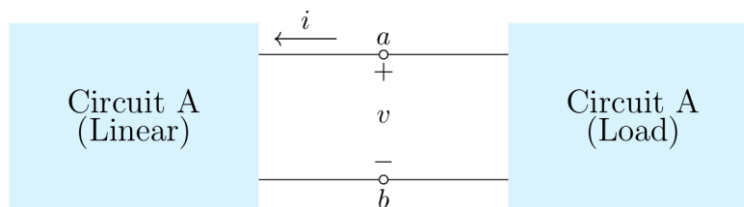
Open-Circuit

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## Thévenin and Norton's Theorems

- Why do we use them?
  - We want to replace a **complicated circuit** with a **simple one**, such that the 'load' cannot tell the difference



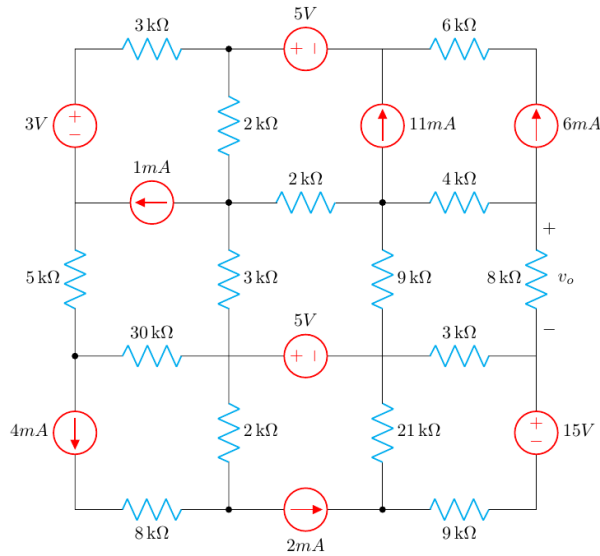
- They make analysis easier when performing & evaluating load design
- We replace circuit "A" with a simple circuit with the same voltage-current characteristics

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## Thévenin and Norton's Theorems

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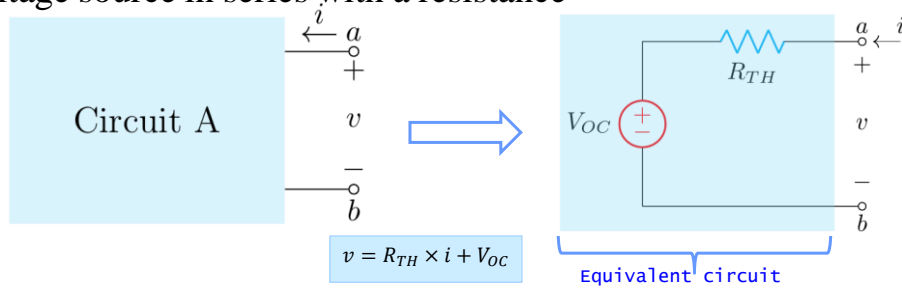


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## Thévenin Theorem

- Thévenin's Theorem replaces the linear two-terminal circuit with a voltage source in series with a resistance



- This is a general voltage-current relation for a linear, two-terminal network
- $V_{OC}$  is the terminal voltage if  $i = 0$  (open-circuit voltage)
- Thevenin voltage  $V_{TH} = V_{OC}$
- $R_{TH}$  is the equivalent resistance seen at the terminals (the Thévenin resistance)

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## Creating the Thévenin equivalent circuit

- Procedure to get the Thévenin equivalent
  - 1) Identify and isolate the circuit and terminals for which the Thévenin equivalent circuit is desired
  - 2) Eliminate the independent sources in the circuit (**short-circuit voltage sources, open-circuit current sources**) and determine the equivalent resistance  $R_{TH}$  of the circuit
  - 3) Re-activate the sources and determine the **open-circuit voltage**  $V_{OC}$  across the circuit terminals. This will be  $V_{TH}$  for the circuit.
  - 4) Place the Thévenin equivalent circuit into the original overall circuit and perform the desired analysis

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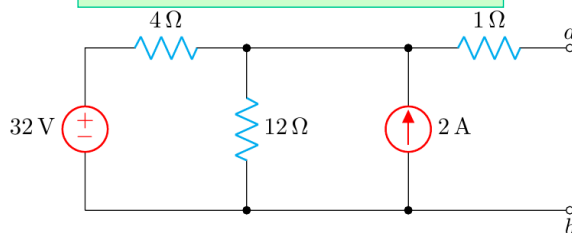
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## Thévenin's Theorems

- Ex. 1: Find the Thevenin equivalent circuit to the left of the terminals a-b

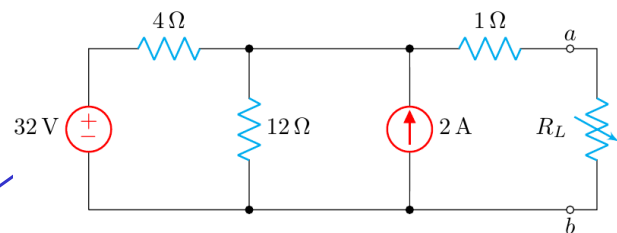
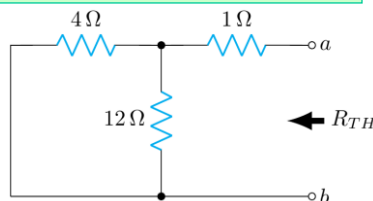
To find  $R_{TH}$ :

1) Isolate the circuit and terminals



2) Eliminate independent sources and find  $R_{TH}$

Find  $R_{TH}$



$$R_{TH} = 4\Omega || 12\Omega + 1\Omega$$

$$R_{TH} = \frac{4\Omega \times 12\Omega}{4\Omega + 12\Omega} + 1\Omega$$

$$R_{TH} = \frac{48\Omega}{16\Omega} + 1\Omega$$

$$R_{TH} = 3\Omega + 1\Omega$$

$$R_{TH} = 4\Omega$$

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## Thévenin's Theorems

- Ex. 1(cont.): Find the Thevenin equivalent circuit to the left of the terminals a-b

To Find  $V_{TH}$ :

$$R_{TH} = 4\Omega$$

3) Re-activate the sources and determine the open-circuit voltage  $V_{TH}$

You can use any method of choice. I am using Nodal analysis

Apply KCL at node 1 (assuming currents exiting the node are '+')

$$i_1 + i_2 - 2A = 0$$

Replace currents using Ohm's law ( $V=IR$ )

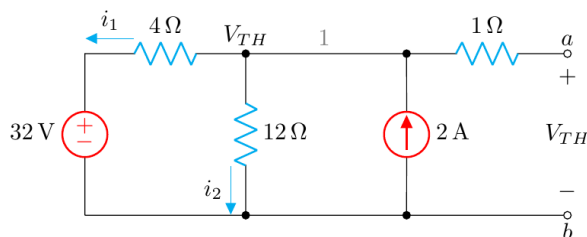
$$(V_{TH}-32)/4 + V_{TH}/12 - 2 = 0$$

$$3V_{TH} - 96 + V_{TH} - 24 = 0$$

$$4V_{TH} - 120 = 0$$

$$V_{TH} = 120/4$$

$$V_{TH} = 30V$$



Homework: Use Mesh Analysis to find  $V_{TH}$

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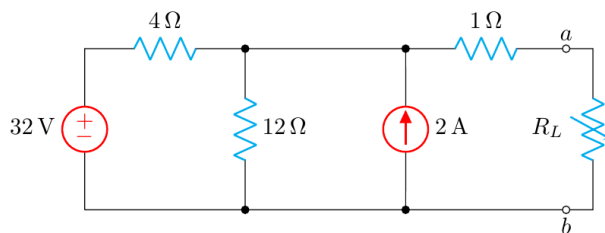
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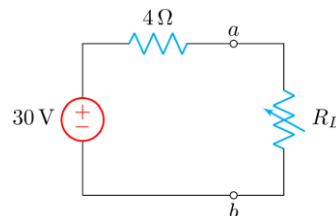
Finally:

4) Implement the Thévenin equivalent

$$V_{TH} = 30V \text{ \& } R_{TH} = 4\Omega$$



Thevenin equivalent circuit diagram:

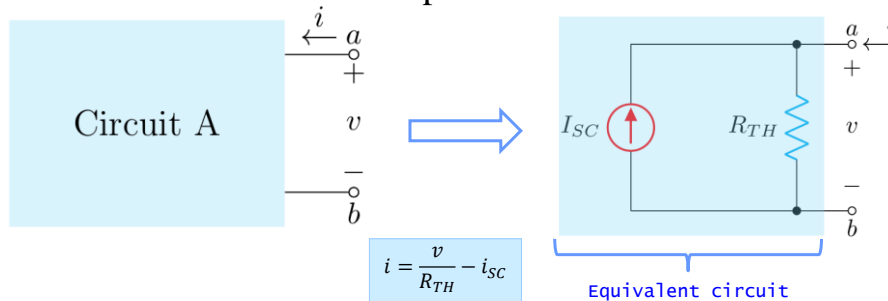


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## Norton's Theorem

- Norton's Theorem: any linear two-terminal circuit can also be modeled as a current source in parallel with a resistor



- This is a general voltage-current relation for a linear, two-terminal network
- $I_{SC}$  is the short-circuit current through the terminals

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## Norton's Theorem

- Procedure to get Norton equivalent
  - 1) Identify and isolate the circuit and terminals the circuit for which the Norton equivalent circuit is desired
  - 2) Eliminate sources and determine  $R_{TH}$  of the circuit
  - 3) Re-activate the sources, short-circuit the output terminals, and determine  $I_{SC}$
  - 4) Place the Norton equivalent circuit into the original overall circuit and perform the desired analysis

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## Norton's Theorem

- Ex. 2: Find the Norton equivalent circuit at terminals a-b.

To find  $R_{TH}$ :

1) Isolate the circuit and terminals

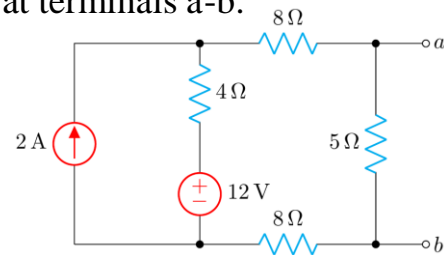
2) Eliminate independent sources and find  $R_{TH}$

$$R_{TH} = 5 \parallel (8 + 4 + 8)$$

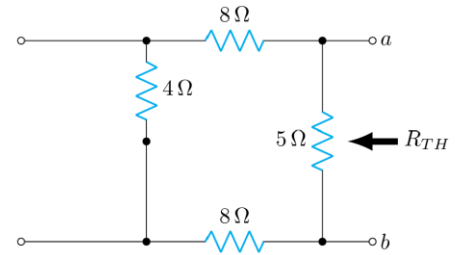
$$R_{TH} = 5 \parallel (20)$$

$$R_{TH} = \frac{5 \times 20}{5 + 20}$$

$$R_{TH} = \frac{100}{25} = 4\Omega$$



Eliminate the sources and find  $R_{TH}$



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## Norton's Theorem

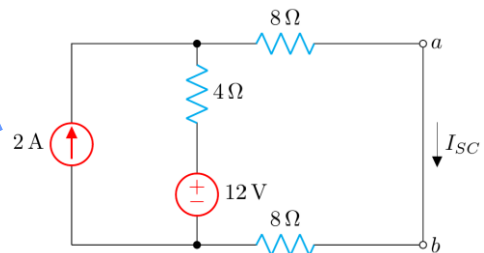
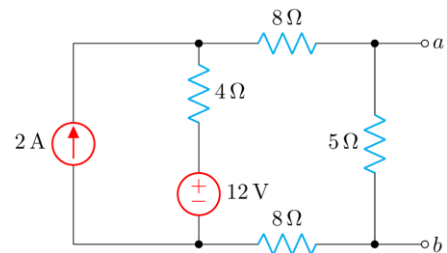
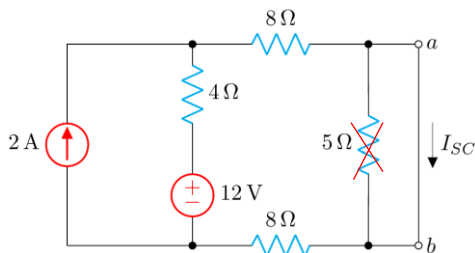
- Ex. 2(cont.): Find the Norton equivalent

To Find  $I_{SC}$ :

$R_{TH} = 4\Omega$

3) Re-activate the sources, short the output terminals, and determine  $I_{SC}$

Short circuiting the terminal a-b by passes 5Ω resistor



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## Norton's Theorem

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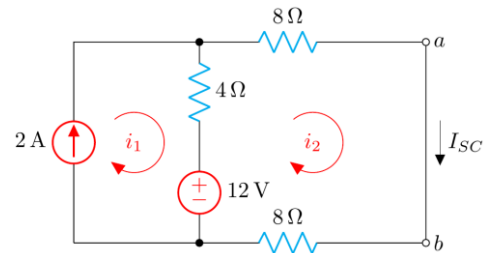
Mesh 1:

$$i_1 = 2A$$

Mesh 2:

$$(4 + 8 + 8)i_2 - 4i_1 - 12V = 0$$

$$20i_2 - 4i_1 - 12V = 0$$



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## Norton's Theorem

- Ex. 2(cont.): Find the Norton equivalent circuit at terminals a-b.

To Find  $V_{TH}$ :

3) Re-activate the sources, short the output terminals, and determine  $I_{SC}$

$$20i_2 - 4i_1 - 12 = 0$$

$$i_1 = 2A$$

Solve for  $i_2$

$$20i_2 - 4 \times 2 - 12 = 0$$

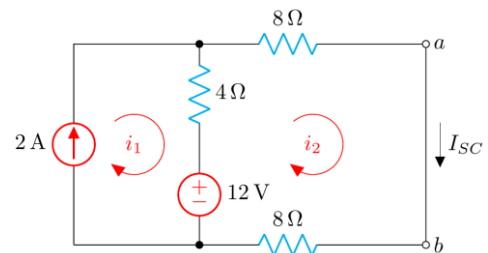
$$20i_2 - 8 - 12 = 0$$

$$20i_2 = 20$$

$$i_2 = \frac{20}{20} = 1A$$

Find  $I_{SC}$

$$i_{SC} = i_2 = 1A$$



Homework: Use Nodal Analysis to find  $I_{SC}$

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## Norton's Theorem

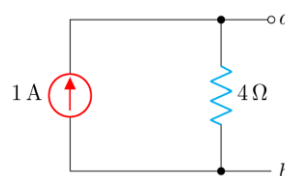
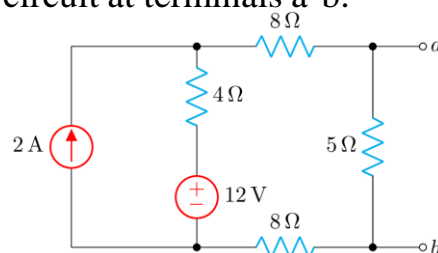
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Finally:

4) Implement the Norton equivalent

$$i_{sc} = 1A$$

$$R_{TH} = 4\Omega$$



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## Thévenin's and Norton's Theorems

- Maximum Power Transfer

- The Thévenin equivalent is useful in finding the maximum power transferred to a load
- If the entire circuit is replaced by its Thévenin equivalent except for the load, the power delivered to the load is:

$$P = \frac{V^2}{R_L}$$

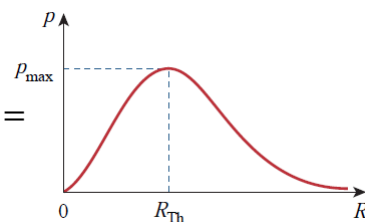
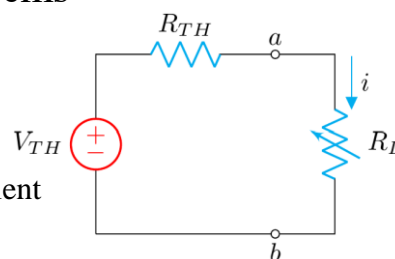
$$V = \frac{R_L}{R_{TH} + R_L} \times V_{TH}$$

$$P = \left( \frac{R_L}{R_{TH} + R_L} V_{TH} \right)^2 \frac{1}{R_L}$$

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

- The maximum power dissipated  $P_{max}$  occurs when  $R_{TH} = R_L$

$$P_{max} = \frac{V_{TH}^2}{4R_L}$$



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## Thévenin's and Norton's Theorems

- Ex. 3: Find the Thévenin equivalent circuit at terminal ab, and  $P_{\max}$

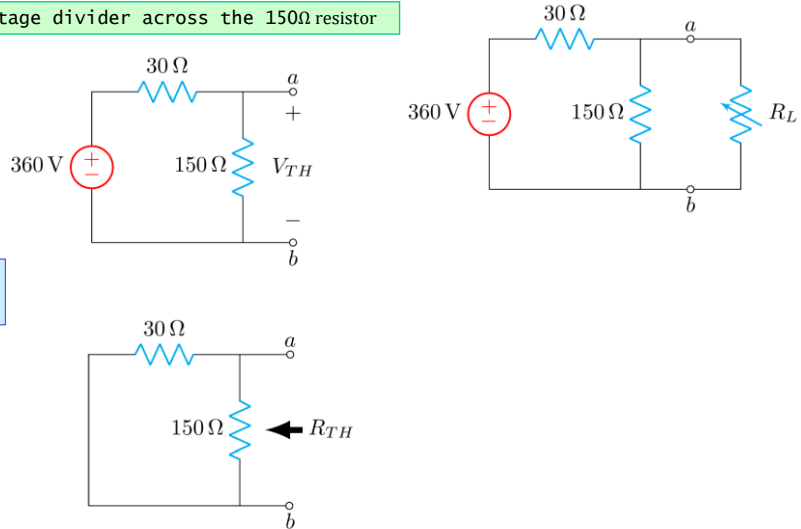
$V_{TH}$  can be computed using a voltage divider across the 150Ω resistor

$$V_{TH} = \frac{150\Omega}{150\Omega + 30\Omega} \times 360$$

$$V_{TH} = 300V$$

$R_{TH}$  is

$$R_{TH} = 30\Omega || 150\Omega = \frac{(150\Omega)(30\Omega)}{150\Omega + 30\Omega} = 25\Omega$$



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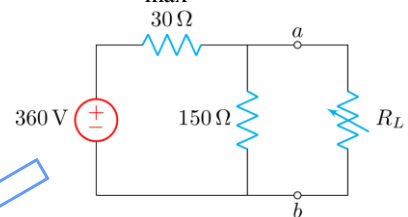
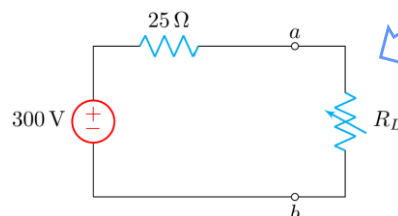
## Thévenin's and Norton's Theorems

- Ex. 3 (cont.): Find the Thévenin equivalent circuit, and  $P_{\max}$

$$V_{TH} = 300V$$

$$R_{TH} = 25\Omega$$

So the Thevenin equivalent cct is



Max power transfer occurs when  $R_L = R_{TH}$

$$P_{\max} = \frac{V_{TH}^2}{4R_L}$$

$$P_{\max} = \frac{V_{TH}^2}{4R_L} = \frac{(300V)^2}{4(25\Omega)} = 900W$$

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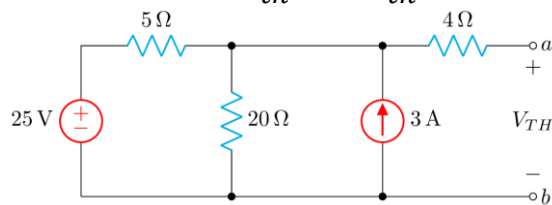
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### Thevenin's Theorems

- Prob 1: Find  $v_{th}$  and  $R_{th}$

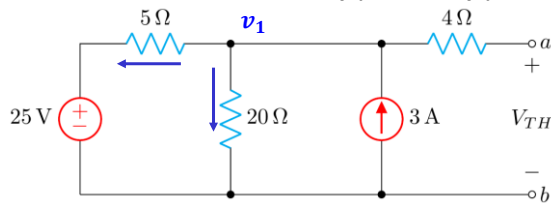


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## Thevenin's Theorems

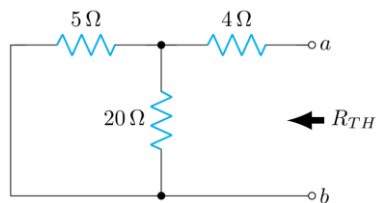
- Prob 1(sol.): Find  $v_{th}$  and  $R_{th}$



2. To find  $V_{TH}$ , apply KCL at  $v_1$

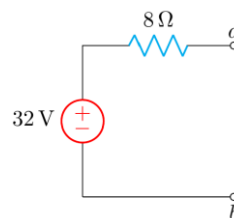
$$\begin{aligned}\frac{v_1 - 25}{5} + \frac{v_1}{20} - 3 &= 0 \\ 4v_1 - 100 + v_1 &= 60 \\ v_1 &= \frac{160}{5} \\ v_{TH} = v_1 &= 32V\end{aligned}$$

1. Eliminate the sources and find  $R_{TH}$



$$R_{ab} = R_{TH} = 4 + \frac{5 \times 20}{25} = 8\Omega$$

3. So Thevenin equivalent cct:



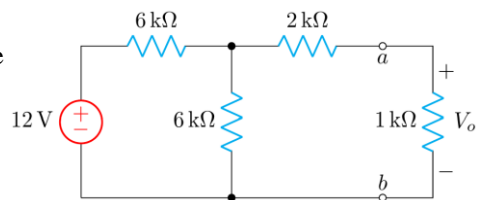
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## Thevenin's Theorems

- Prob 2: Find  $V_o$  using Thevenin's theorem.

- Note that  $1k\Omega$  is the load resistor so you need to find the Thevenin's equivalent of the circuit to the left of it.



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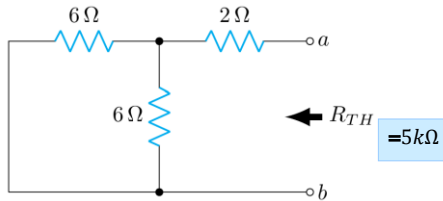
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## Thevenin's Theorems

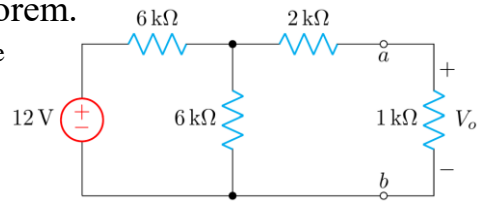
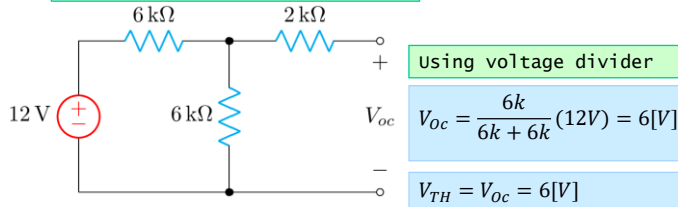
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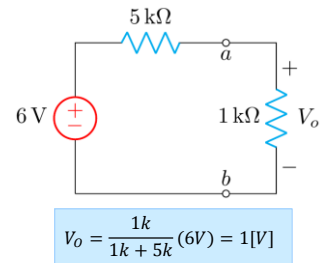
1. For  $R_{TH}$



2. For  $V_{TH}$



3. Finally, find  $V_o$  using Thevenin equivalent circuit

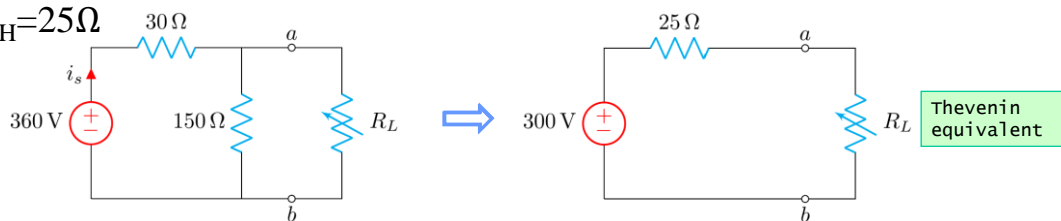


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## Thevenin's and Norton's Theorems

- Prob 3: (In Ex. 3) Find % of power delivered to the load if  $R_L = R_{TH} = 25\Omega$

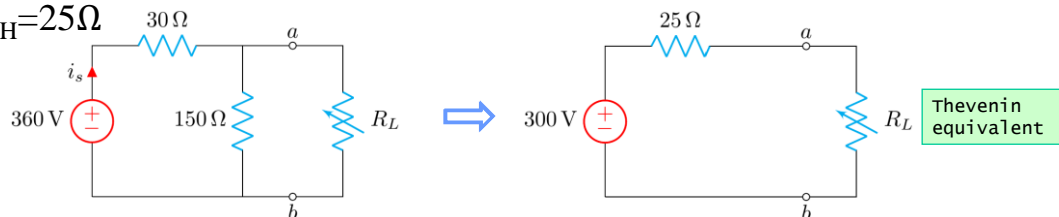


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## Thevenin's and Norton's Theorems

- Prob 3(sol): (In Ex. 3) Find % of power delivered to the load if  $R_L = R_{TH} = 25\Omega$



To find out the % power delivered to the load, we first need to find the total power supplied by the source at  $R_L = 25\Omega$ . To do that we only need to find  $i_s$ , then we can use  $P=VI$

when  $R_L = 25\Omega$ , the voltage  $V_{ab}$  can be found using voltage divider on equivalent circuit

$$V_{ab} = \frac{25\Omega}{25\Omega + 25\Omega} \times 300V = 150V$$

when  $V_{ab} = 150V$ , the current in the voltage source is also through the  $30\Omega$  resistor:

$$i_s = \frac{360V - 150V}{30\Omega} = 7A$$

So the source is delivering

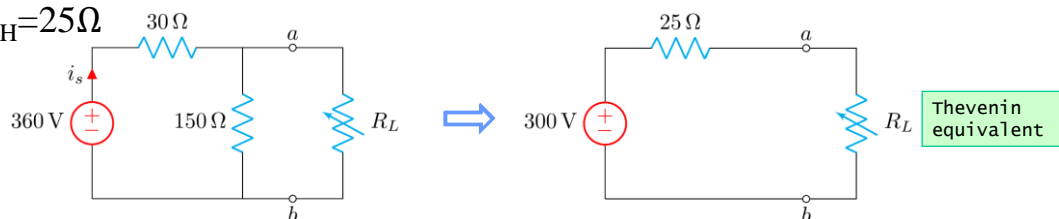
$$P_s = -i_s \times 360V = -2520W$$

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## Thevenin's and Norton's Theorems

- Prob 3(sol): (In Ex. 3) Find % of power delivered to the load if  $R_L = R_{TH} = 25\Omega$



The % power delivered to the load

$$= \frac{P_{max}}{P_s} \times 100$$

we found  $P_{max}$  earlier in Ex. 3

$$P_{max} = \frac{V_{TH}^2}{4R_L} = 900W$$

Therefore:

$$\frac{900W}{2520W} \times 100 = 35.71\%$$

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