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# ECOR1043: Circuits

**Resistive Circuits** 

Ohm's Law and Kirchhoff's Laws

#### • Resistance R

- The resistance R of an element denotes its ability to resist the flow of electric current
- Resistance is measured in ohms  $\Omega$
- An element with this property is called a *resistor*
- Resistor could also be variable



Source: All about electronics

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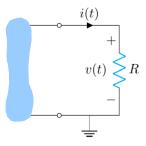
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### Ohm's Law

#### · Ohm's law

 The voltage across a resistance is directly proportional to the current flowing through it

$$v(t) = i(t)R$$
$$V = IR$$

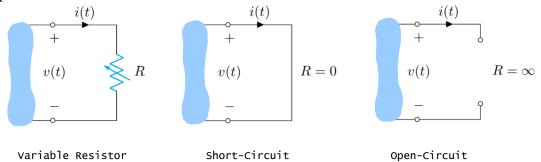




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• Special Cases of Resistance



• What about the current?

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#### Ohm's Law

• Typical problems and how to solve them using Ohm's Law

$$v = iR$$

One equation and three variables. Given ANY two we solve for the third.

• Ex. 1: Given current and resistance, find the voltage across the resistor

Hint: Use PSC to determine voltage polarity

$$v = iR$$

$$v = iR = (2 A)(5 \Omega) = 10V$$

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2A \\
5\Omega \\
\downarrow v
\end{array}$ 

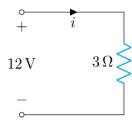
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• Ex. 2: Given the current and voltage, find the resistance of the resistor

20 V R

• Ex. 3: Given the voltage and resistance, find the current through the resistor



 $R = \frac{v}{i} = \frac{20 V}{4 A} = 5 \Omega$ 

$$i = \frac{v}{R} = \frac{12 V}{3 \Omega} = 4 A$$

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### Ohm's Law

- Resistors and electric power
  - Combining Ohm's law and the expressions for power we can derive several useful expressions

$$V = IR$$
  $\longrightarrow$  A

$$P = VI$$
  $\longrightarrow$  B

- Therefore, substituting V from eq. A into eq. B, we get

$$P = I^2 R$$

- And substituting I from eq. A into eq. B, we get

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

- So, we have three equations to compute power

$$P = VI$$

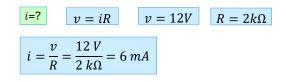
 $P = I^2 R$ 

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

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• Ex. 4: Determine the current and the power associated with the resistor



P=? P=vi

P = (12 V)(6 mA) = 72 mW

Can you we use any other formula to compute P?

$$P = I^2 R$$

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

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 $2\,\mathrm{k}\Omega$ 

 $12\,\mathrm{V}$ 

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#### Ohm's Law

• Ex. 5: Find the resistance of the lamp and the current through the lamp. V = 12V P = 60W

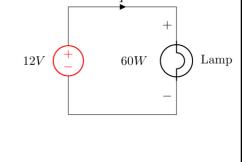
R=?  $P = VI \qquad P = I^2R \qquad P = V^2/R$  $V^2 \qquad V^2 \qquad (12 V)^2$ 

 $P = \frac{V^2}{R} \Rightarrow R = \frac{V^2}{P} = \frac{(12 \ V)^2}{60 \ W} = 2.4 \ \Omega$ 

I=? V = 12V P = 60W  $R = 2.4\Omega$  V = IR P = VI  $P = I^2R$ 

V = IR

 $I = \frac{V}{R} = \frac{12 V}{2.4 \Omega} = 5 A$ 



Equivalently, we could have used P=VI or  $P=I^2R$  to find I

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#### Circuit Concepts and Terms

- Branch b
  - A branch represents a single element such as a voltage source or a resistor. (e.g., component R4)
- Node *n* 
  - A node is the point of connection between two or more branches (e.g., big node 1)



- A closed path that never goes twice over a node (e.g., the blue line)
- The red path is not a loop
- A loop is said to be *independent* if it contains at least one branch which is not a
  part of any other independent loop

$$l = b - n + 1$$

Where l is the maximum number of independent loops

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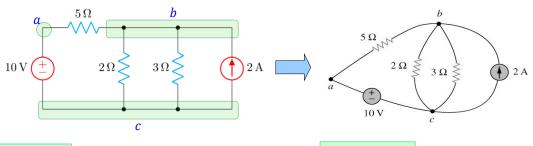
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### Circuit Concepts and Terms

• Ex. 6: Determine number of branches (b), number of nodes (n) and maximum number of independent loops (l) for the following circuit:

$$l = b - n + 1$$



Branches?

b = 5

Nodes

n = 3

$$l = b - n + 1$$
  
= 5-3+1=3

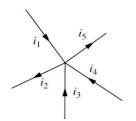
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# Kirchhoff's Current Law (KCL)

• The algebraic sum of the currents entering (or leaving) any node is zero

$$\sum_{n=1}^{N} i_n = 0$$



- The sum of the currents entering a node is equal to the sum of the currents leaving the node
- Kirchhoff's current law is based on the principle of conservation of charge
- We assume signs of the currents and stay consistent

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#### Kirchhoff's Current Law (KCL)

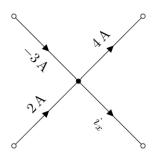
• Ex 7: Find the missing current  $i_x$ 

Algebraic sum of currents into Node is zero
Assuming the currents exiting the node are +ve

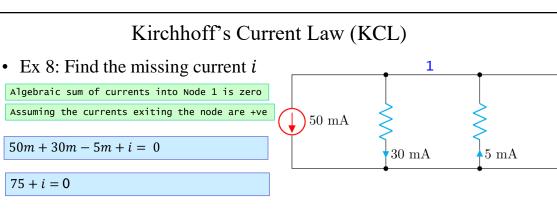
$$i_x + 4A - (-3A) - 2A = 0$$

$$i_x + 4A + 3A - 2A = 0$$

$$i_x = -5A$$



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i = -75mA

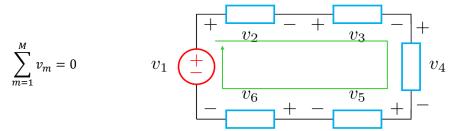
75 + i = 0

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### Kirchhoff's Voltage Law (KVL)

The algebraic sum of the voltages around any loop is zero



- To apply KVL, we must traverse any loop in the circuit and sum to zero the increases and decreases in energy level
- As we move around a loop, we encounter the plus sign first for a decrease in energy level and a negative sign first for an increase in energy level
- Kirchhoff's voltage law is based on the conservation of energy

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#### Kirchhoff's Voltage Law (KVL)

• Ex. 9: Given  $V_{R1}$  and  $V_{R2}$ , find  $V_{R3}$  using KVL and  $P_{2k\Omega}$ 

$$V_{R1}=18\,V$$

$$V_{R2}=12\,V$$

For  $V_{R3}$ 

$$V_{R1} - 5 V + V_{R2} - 15 V + V_{R3} - 30 V = 0$$

$$18 - 5 V + 12 - 15 V + V_{R3} - 30 V = 0$$

$$V_{R3} = 20 V$$

For power  $P_{2k\Omega}$ 

$$P_{2k\Omega} = \frac{V_{R2}^2}{R_2} = \frac{(12)^2}{2k} = 72 \text{ mW}$$

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# Kirchhoff's Voltage Law (KVL)

• Ex. 10: Find the number of branches, nodes, maximum independent loops, and write the KVL equations for all loops.

b?

b=7

1?

l = b - n + 1 l = 7 - 6 + 1 = 2

Hence there are only 2 independent

 $V_{R1} + V_{R4} - 16V - 24V = 0$ 

 $V_{R2} + V_{R3} + 8V + 16V - V_{R4} = 0$ 

 $V_{R1} + V_{R2} + V_{R3} + 8V - 24V = 0$ 

The third equation is the sum of the Other two!!

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# **Practice Problems**

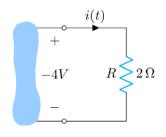
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### Ohm's Law

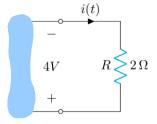
• Prob. 1: Determine i(t)



OHM'S LAW v(t) = Ri(t)

 $-4[V] = (2\Omega)i(t) \Rightarrow i(t) = -2[A]$ 

This problem could be given like this

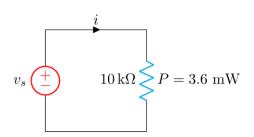


OHM'S LAW v(t) = -Ri(t)

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- Prob. 2
  - Determine current and voltage



- Ans: v = 6V, i = 0.6mA

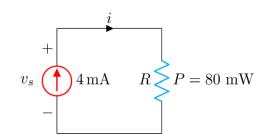
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### Ohm's Law

- Prob. 3
  - Determine R and  $v_s$



- Ans: R=5k $\Omega$ ,  $v_s$ =20V

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#### Kirchhoff's Current Law (KCL)

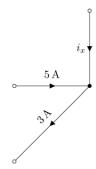
• Prob. 4: Find the missing current  $i_x$ 

Sum of currents into Node is zero

Assuming the currents entering the node are +ve

$$5 A + i_x - 3 A = 0$$

$$i_x = -2 A$$



Do the same calculation, assuming current leaving the node are +ve, what happens?

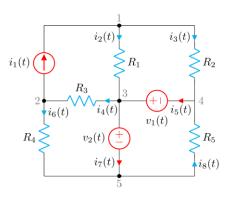
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# Kirchhoff's Current Law (KCL)

- Prob. 5: Write KCL for node 3
  - Assuming currents entering the node are +



Ans: 
$$i_2(t) + i_5(t) - i_7(t) - i_4(t) = 0$$

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# Kirchhoff's Current Law (KCL)

• Prob. 6: Find the missing currents,  $I_1$ ,  $I_4$ ,  $I_5$  and  $I_6$ 

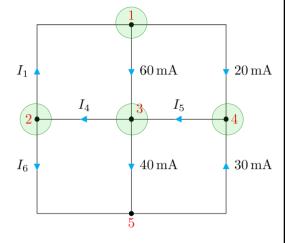
Assuming the currents **exiting** the nodes are +ve, Write KCL for each node

$$(1) - I_1 + 60 \, mA + 20 mA = 0$$

$$(2) I_1 - I_4 + I_6 = 0$$

$$(3) - 60 \, mA + I_4 - I_5 + 40 \, mA = 0$$

$$(4) - 20 mA + I_5 - 30 mA = 0$$



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# Kirchhoff's Current Law (KCL)

• Prob. 6 (cont.): Find the missing currents,  $I_1$ ,  $I_4$ ,  $I_5$  and  $I_6$ 

For  $I_1$  (1)  $-I_1 + 60 \, mA + 20 mA = 0$ 

For  $I_5$  (4)  $-20 \, mA + I_5 - 30 \, mA = 0$ 

For  $I_4$  (3)  $-60 \, mA + I_4 - I_5 + 40 \, mA = 0$ 

For  $I_6$  (2)  $I_1 - I_4 + I_6 = 0$ 

I<sub>1</sub> 60 mA 20 mA

I<sub>4</sub> 3 I<sub>5</sub> 4

I<sub>6</sub> 40 mA 30 mA

 $I_1 = 80 \ mA$ 

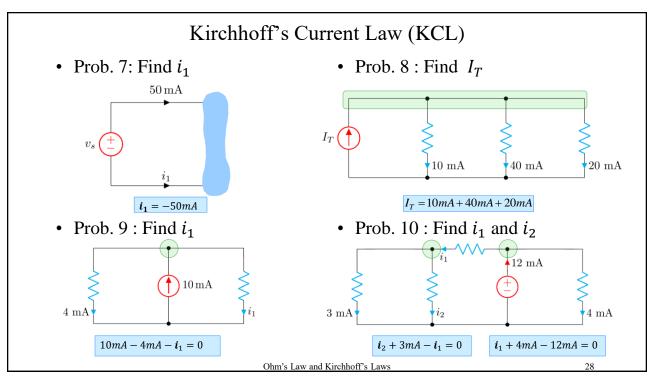
 $I_5 = 50 \, mA$ 

 $I_4 = 70 \ mA$ 

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 $I_6 = -10 \ mA$ 

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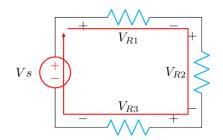


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#### Kirchhoff's Voltage Law (KVL)

• Prob. 11: Write the KVL equation

$$V_{R1} + V_{R2} + V_{R3} - V_S = 0$$



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### Kirchhoff's Voltage Law (KVL)

• Prob. 12: Given  $V_2$ , find  $V_x$ , and  $P_{2k\Omega}$ 

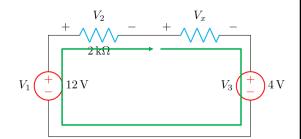
We need to find a closed path where only one voltage is unknown

To find  $V_x$   $V_2 = 4 V$ 

$$V_x + V_3 - V_1 + V_2 = 0$$

$$V_x + 4V - 12V + 4V = 0$$

$$V_x = 4 V$$



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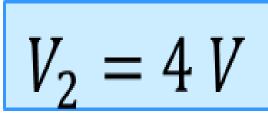
• Prob. 12 (cont.): Given  $V_2$ , find  $V_x$ , and  $P_{2k\Omega}$ 

To find  $P_{2k\Omega}$   $V_2 = 4 V$ 

$$P_{2k\Omega} = \frac{V_2^2}{R_2}$$

$$P_{2k\Omega} = \frac{(4 \text{ V})^2}{2 k\Omega}$$

$$P_{2k\Omega} = 8 \, mW$$



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