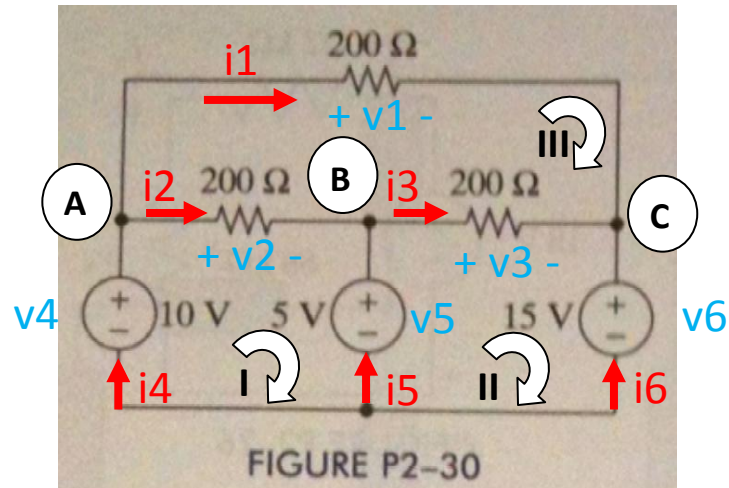


## MAE 140: Linear Circuits Fall 2012

## Solution HW2

## PROBLEM 2-30:

a) Voltages and currents



b) Voltage across each resistor

|           |                        |              |
|-----------|------------------------|--------------|
| Loop I:   | $-v_4 + v_2 + v_5 = 0$ | $v_2 = 5V$   |
| Loop II:  | $-v_5 + v_3 + v_6 = 0$ | $v_3 = -10V$ |
| Loop III: | $v_1 - v_2 - v_3 = 0$  | $v_1 = -5V$  |

c) Current through each resistor:  $i = \frac{v}{R}$ 

$$i_1 = -\frac{5}{200A} = -25 \text{ mA}$$

$$i_2 = \frac{5}{200A} = 25 \text{ mA}$$

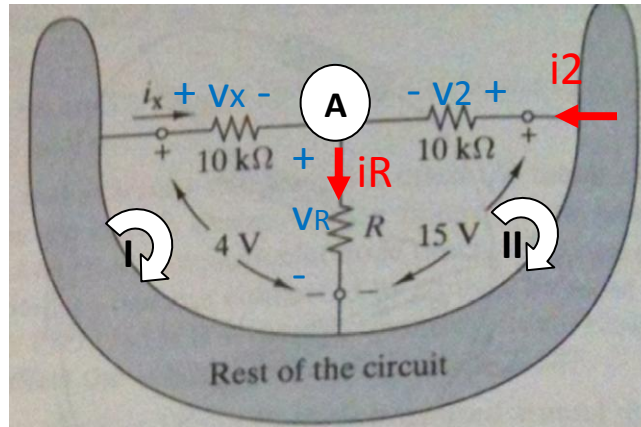
$$i_3 = -\frac{10}{200A} = -50 \text{ mA}$$

d) Current through each voltage source

Node A:  $i_4 = i_1 - i_2 = 0$

Node B:  $i_5 = i_3 - i_2 = -75 \text{ mA}$

Node C:  $i_6 = -i_1 - i_3 = 75 \text{ mA}$

**PROBLEM 2-33****NOTE:**

*There is a typo in the problem,  $i_x$  should be  $-0.5\text{mA}$ . If,  $i_x = 0.5\text{mA}$ ,  $R$  cannot be a resistor (see solution below for more details). We will give points for both solutions.*

**CASE 1:  $i_x = -0.5\text{mA}$** 

$$R = \frac{v_R}{i_R}$$

**loop I:**  $v_R = 4\text{V} - v_x = 4\text{V} - 10\text{k}\Omega * (-0.5\text{mA}) = 9\text{V}$

$i_R = i_x + i_2$       **loop II:**  $v_2 = 15\text{V} - v_R = 6\text{V}$

$$i_2 = \frac{v_2}{10\text{k}\Omega} = 0.6\text{mA}$$

$$i_R = i_x + i_2 = -0.5\text{mA} + 0.6\text{mA} = 0.1\text{mA}$$

$$R = \frac{v_R}{i_R} = \frac{9\text{V}}{0.1\text{mA}} = 90\text{k}\Omega$$

**CASE 2:  $i_x = 0.5\text{mA}$** 

$$R = \frac{v_R}{i_R}$$

**loop I:**  $v_R = 4\text{V} - v_x = 4\text{V} - 10\text{k}\Omega * 0.5\text{mA} = -1\text{V}$

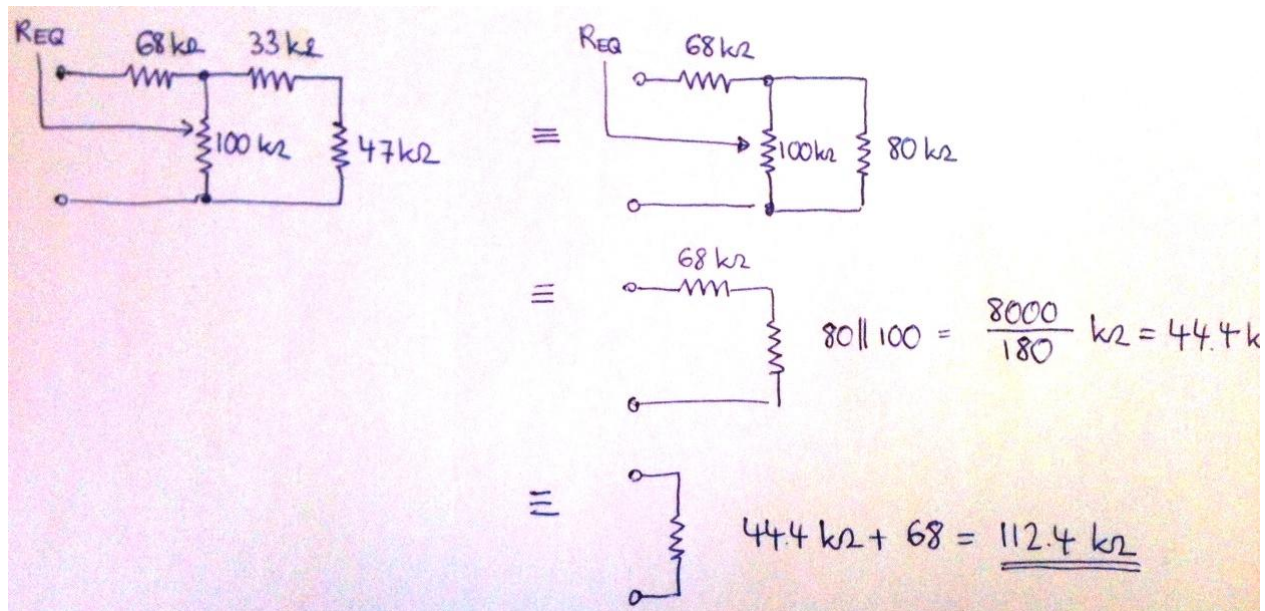
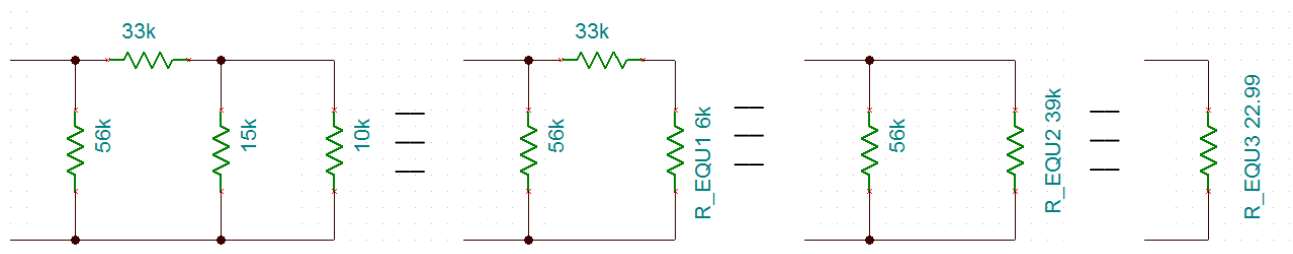
$i_R = i_x + i_2$       **loop II:**  $v_2 = 15\text{V} - v_R = 16\text{V}$

$$i_2 = \frac{v_2}{10\text{k}\Omega} = 1.6\text{mA}$$

$$i_R = i_x + i_2 = 2.1\text{mA}$$

$$R = \frac{v_R}{i_R} = \frac{-1\text{V}}{2.1\text{mA}} = -476.2\Omega$$

Note that  $R$  cannot be a resistor/passive element since the voltage is negative but we can still compute a resistance!

**PROBLEM 2-36****PROBLEM 2-37**

$$R_{EQ1} = 15\text{ k}\Omega \parallel 10\text{ k}\Omega = 6\text{ k}\Omega$$

$$R_{EQ2} = 33\text{ k}\Omega + R_{EQ1} = 39\text{ k}\Omega$$

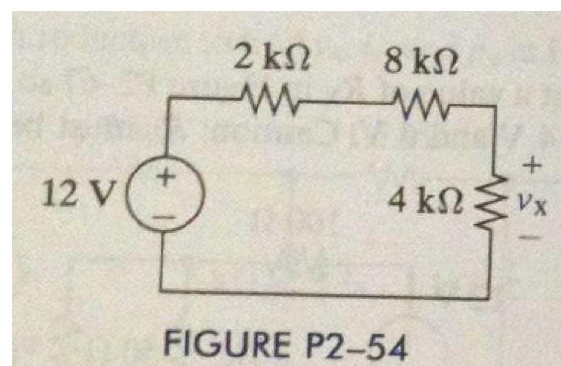
$$R_{EQ3} = 56\text{ k}\Omega \parallel R_{EQ2} = 22.99\text{ k}\Omega$$

**PROBLEM 2-54**

Resistance for which you want  
to determine the voltage

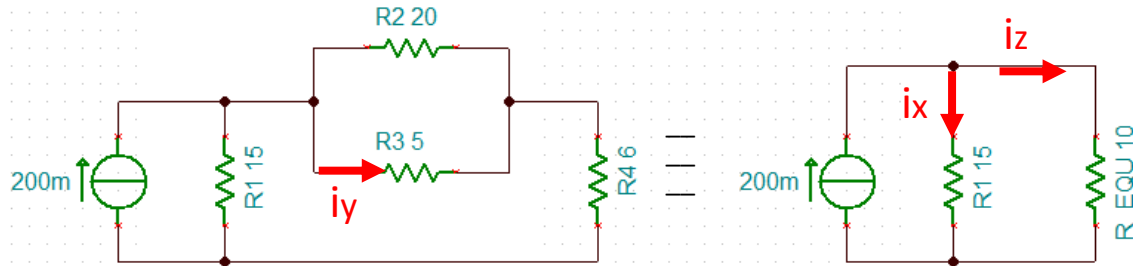
$$V_x = \frac{4\text{ k}\Omega}{4\text{ k}\Omega + 2\text{ k}\Omega + 8\text{ k}\Omega} * 12\text{ V} = 3.43\text{ V}$$

Total resistance of the loop



**PROBLEM 2-58**

First, we determine  $i_x$  and  $i_z$  using the current division rule. For that it is convenient to transform the circuit into an equivalent circuit that has two resistances in parallel.



where 
$$R_{EQU} = R_2 || R_3 + R_4 = \frac{20 \cdot 5}{20 + 5} + R_4 = 4 + 6\Omega = 10\Omega$$

Using the current division rule we find

$$i_x = \frac{10\Omega}{10\Omega + 15\Omega} * 200\text{mA} = 0.08\text{ A}$$

$$i_z = \frac{15\Omega}{10\Omega + 15\Omega} * 200\text{mA} = 0.12\text{ A} \quad \text{or using KCL: } i_z = 200\text{ mA} - i_x$$

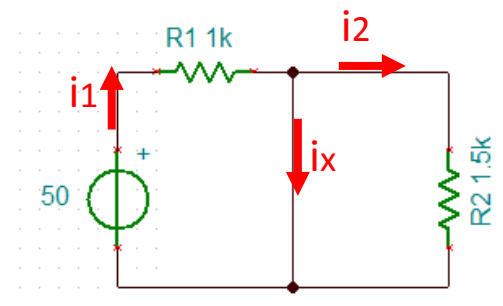
$i_y$  can be determined from  $i_z$  using the current division rule

$$i_y = \frac{20\Omega}{20\Omega + 5\Omega} * 120\text{mA} = 0.096\text{ A} = 96\text{ mA}$$

**PROBLEM 2-61**

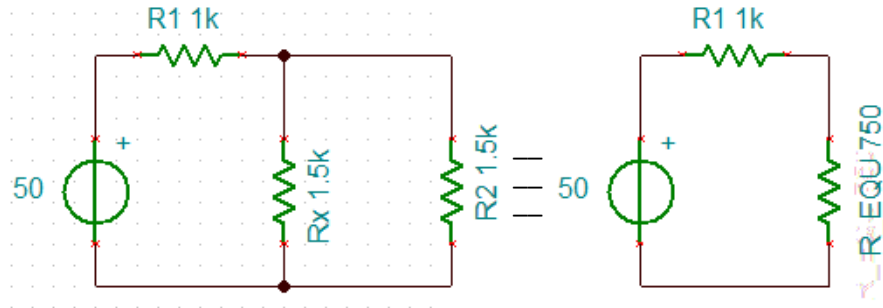
There are two extreme cases:  $R = 0\Omega$  and  $R = 1500\Omega$

- (A)  **$R=0\Omega$ :** If  $R=0$ , the current through  $R_2$  will be zero and  $i_x = i_1$  (the current follows the path with the smallest resistance!). Consequently,  $v_2$  will be zero as well.



- (B)  **$R=1500\Omega$ :**

Note that  $R_x$  and  $R_2$  are in parallel and thus, the voltage across both elements is equal. To calculate  $v_2$  we proceed as follows: We first define an equivalent resistance and then calculate the voltage across element  $R_2$  using the voltage division rule:



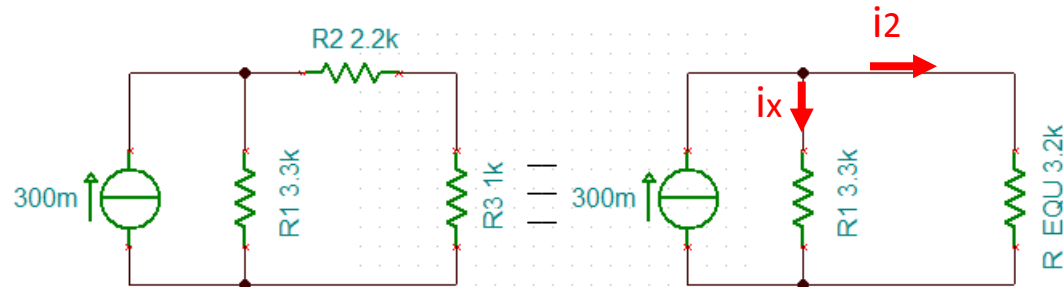
$$R_{\text{EQU}} = R_x || R_2 = \frac{1.5 * 1.5}{1.5 + 1.5} = 750 \Omega$$

$$v_2 = \frac{750 \Omega}{1000 \Omega + 750 \Omega} * 50 \text{V} = 21.43 \text{ V}$$

Solution:  $v_o$  ranges from 0 V to 21.43 V.

### PROBLEM 2-68

Note that  $R_2$  and  $R_3$  are in series. As a consequence the current through both resistances is equal. Thus we can replace  $R_2$  and  $R_3$  with an equivalent resistance  $R_{\text{EQU}}$ .



$i_2$  can be determined using the current division rule

$$i_2 = \frac{3.3 \text{k}\Omega}{3.3 \text{k}\Omega + 3.2 \text{k}\Omega} * 300 \text{mA} = 152.3 \text{ mA}$$

Using KCL we obtain for  $i_x$

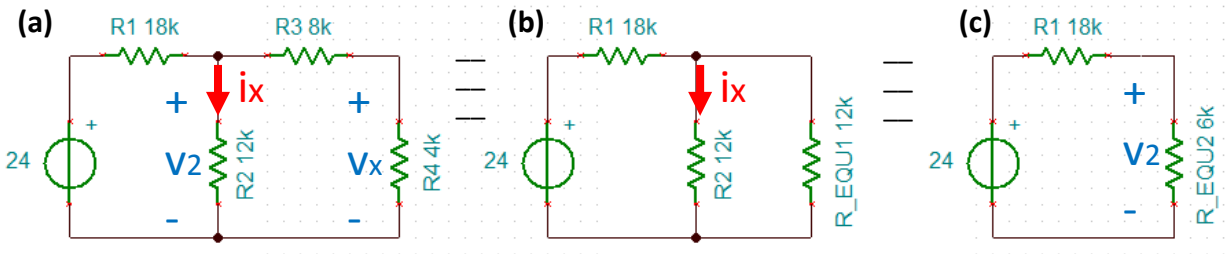
$$i_x = 300 \text{ mA} - i_2 = 147.7 \text{ mA}$$

Thus  $v_x$  can be calculated via Ohm's law

$$v_x = R i_x = 3300 \Omega * .1477 \text{A} = 487.4 \text{ V}$$

**PROBLEM 2-72**

First, we determine  $v_x$  using the voltage division rule. Note that the voltage  $v_2$  over resistor  $R_2$  is equal to the voltage over resistor  $R_3$  and  $R_4$  together. We therefore reduce the circuit as follows:



Using the voltage division rule we obtain for  $v_2$ :

$$v_2 = \frac{6k\Omega}{6k\Omega + 18k\Omega} * 24V = 6V$$

$v_x$  follows from  $v_2$  applying the voltage division rule one more time:

$$v_x = \frac{4k\Omega}{4k\Omega + 8k\Omega} * v_2 = \frac{1}{3} * 6V = 2V$$

To calculate  $i_x$  we use the current division rule. First we need to know the current through the voltage source

$$i = \frac{24V}{R_{total}} = \frac{24V}{18k\Omega + 6k\Omega} = \frac{24}{24} mA = 1 mA$$

Using current division rule we obtain

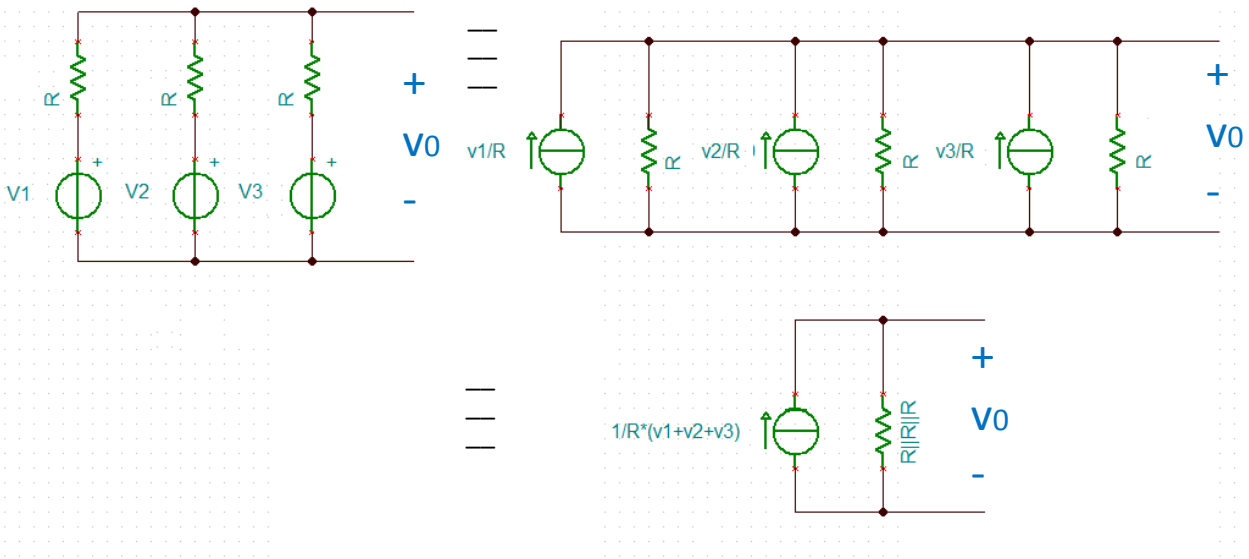
$$i_x = \frac{12k\Omega}{12k\Omega + 12k\Omega} * 1mA = 0.5 mA$$

Alternatively, we can calculate  $i_x$  from  $v_x$  using Ohm's law

$$i_x = \frac{v_2}{12k\Omega} = \frac{6V}{12k\Omega} = 0.5 mA$$

**PROBLEM 2-75**

First we transform each voltage source into a current source. As a second step replace the three current sources with a single equivalent current source by adding up the currents and computing the equivalent resistance.



The equivalent resistor value of all resistors that are in series with the voltage sources is  $R_1 || R_2 || R_3$  that is

$$R_{\text{EQU}} = R || R || R = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{R} + \frac{1}{R} + \frac{1}{R}} = \frac{R}{3}$$

The voltage  $v_0$  can be computed via Ohm's law

$$v_x = R_{\text{EQU}} \cdot i = \frac{R}{3} \cdot \frac{V_1 + V_2 + V_3}{R} = \frac{V_1 + V_2 + V_3}{3}$$