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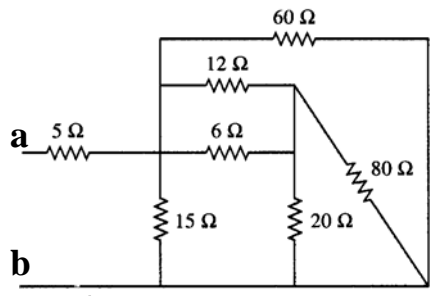
EECE 210

Electric Circuits  
 QUIZ I- Solution

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**Problem 1 (4 points)**

Find the equivalent resistance between terminals a and b for the circuit shown below



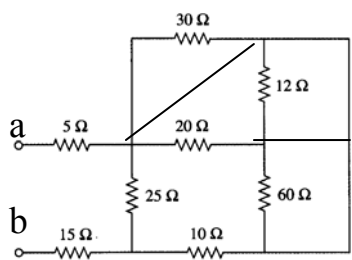
**Answer:**

$$R_{Th} = [ \{ [(6 // 12) + (80 // 20)] // 60 \} // 15 ] + 5$$

$$= ( [ \{ 4 + 16 \} // 60 ] // 15 ) + 5 = (20 // 60 // 15) + 5 = (15 // 15) + 5 = 7.5 + 5 = 12.5 \Omega$$

**Problem 2 (4 pts)**

Find the equivalent resistance between terminals a and b for the circuit shown below

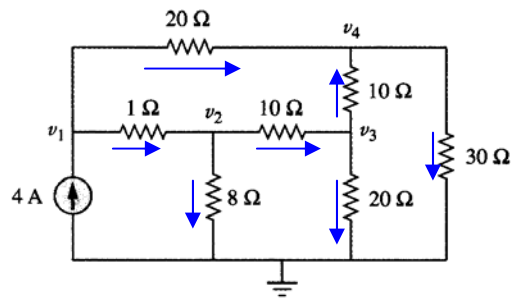


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| a. $30 // 0 = 0 \Omega$ ,   | b. $12 // 0 = 0 \Omega$     |
| c. $60 // 0 = 0 \Omega$     | d. $20 // 0 = 0 \Omega$     |
| e. $0 + 0 + 10 = 10 \Omega$ | f. $10 // 25 = 50/7 \Omega$ |

g.  $R_{Th} = 5 + 15 + 50/7 = \frac{35 + 105 + 50}{7} = \frac{190}{7} \Omega$

**Problem 3 (6 pts)**

Write the node voltage-equations for the circuit shown below. Do not solve.



$$\text{at Node } v_1, \quad 4 = \frac{v_1 - v_2}{1} + \frac{v_1 - v_4}{20}$$

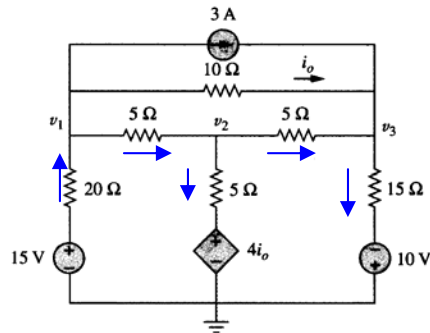
$$\text{at Node } v_2, \quad \frac{v_1 - v_2}{1} = \frac{v_2 - v_3}{10} + \frac{v_2}{8}$$

$$\text{at Node } v_3, \quad \frac{v_2 - v_3}{10} = \frac{v_3}{20} + \frac{v_3 - v_4}{10}$$

$$\text{at Node } v_4, \quad \frac{v_1 - v_4}{20} + \frac{v_3 - v_4}{10} = \frac{v_4}{30}$$

**Problem 4 (6 pts)**

Write the node voltage-equations for the circuit shown below. Do not solve.



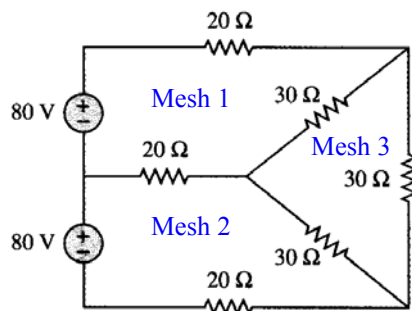
$$\text{at Node } v_1, \quad \frac{15 - v_1}{20} = 3 + \frac{v_1 - v_2}{5} + \frac{v_1 - v_3}{10}$$

$$\text{at Node } v_2, \quad \frac{v_1 - v_2}{5} = \frac{v_2 - v_3}{5} + \frac{v_2 - 4i_o}{5}, \quad \text{Extra Equation : } i_o = \frac{v_1 - v_3}{10}$$

$$\text{at Node } v_3, \quad \frac{v_2 - v_3}{5} + \frac{v_1 - v_3}{5} + 3 = \frac{v_3 + 10}{15}$$

**Problem 5 (3 pts)**

In the circuit shown below, write the mesh equations. Do not solve.



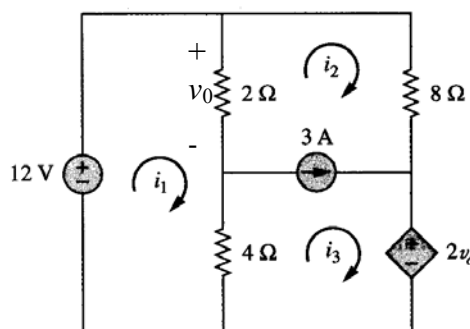
$$\text{Mesh 1: } -80 + 20i_1 + 30(i_1 - i_3) + 20(i_1 - i_2) = 0$$

$$\text{Mesh 2: } -80 + 20(i_2 - i_1) + 30(i_2 - i_3) + 20i_2 = 0$$

$$\text{Mesh 3: } 30i_3 + 30(i_3 - i_2) + 30(i_3 - i_1) = 0$$

**Problem 6 (6 pts)**

In the circuit shown below, write the mesh equations. Do not solve



$$\text{Mesh 1: } -12 + 2(i_1 - i_2) + 4(i_1 - i_3) = 0$$

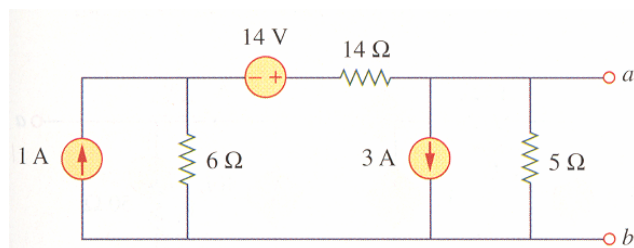
$$\text{Mesh (2 + 3): } 2(i_2 - i_1) + 8i_2 + 2v_0 + 4(i_3 - i_1) = 0$$

$$\text{Extra Equation 1: } i_3 - i_2 = 3\text{A}$$

$$\text{Extra Equation 2: } v_0 = 2(i_1 - i_2)$$

**Problem 7 (5 Pts)**

Find the Thevenin equivalent with respect to the terminals a, b for the circuit shown below

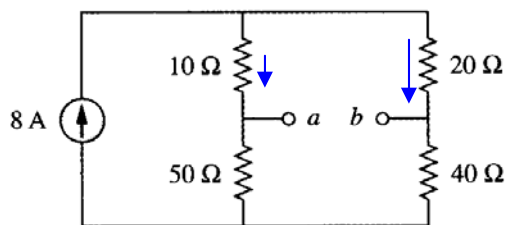


$$R_{Th} = (6 + 14) // 5 = (20 // 5) = 4\Omega$$

- To determine  $V_{Th}$ , convert the 1A current source and the 3A current source to voltage sources. Add voltage sources (6 and 14), add the resistances (6+14), and determine the total current in the 5Ω resistor. It is found to be:  $(20+15)/(25)=1.4A$ .
- The voltage across the 5Ω resistor is: 7 Volts. Therefore,  $V_{Th} = 7 - 15 = -8V$

**Problem 8 (6 pts)**

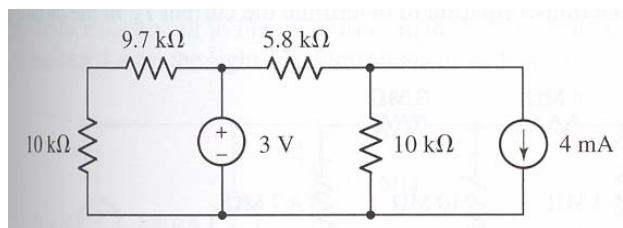
Find the Thevenin equivalent with respect to the terminals a, b for the circuit shown below



- $R_{Th} = (20 + 10) // (40 + 50) = (30 // 90) = 22.5\Omega$
- Using Current divider rule, the currents in the 10Ω and 20Ω resistors are 4A.  
Using KVL,  $V_{Th} = -(10 \times 4) + (20 \times 4) = 40\text{volts}$

**Problem 9 (6 pts)**

Using source transformation, determine the power dissipated by the 5.8KΩ resistor in the figure shown below.



- Convert the current source to a voltage source and use KVL, the current in the 5.8KΩ resistor is found to be:

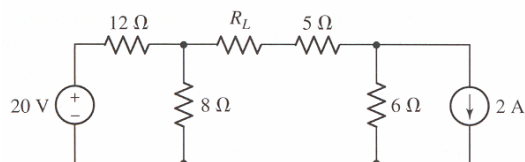
$$I_{5.8K\Omega} = \frac{43}{15.8 \times 10^3} = 2.72 \text{mA}$$

- The power dissipated in the 5.8 KΩ is found to be:

$$P = RI^2 = (5.8 \times 10^3)(2.72 \times 10^{-3})^2 = 42.9 \text{mW}$$

**Problem 10 (4 pts)**

If any value whatsoever may be selected for  $R_L$  in the circuit shown below, what is the value of  $R_L$  for maximum power transfer?



- For Maximum Power transfer,  $R_L$  must be the same as  $R_{Th}$ .  $R_{Th}$  is found by setting all sources to zero. It is found to be:

$$R_L = R_{Th} = (12 // 8) + 6 + 5 = 15.8\Omega$$