## EECS 16A Designing Information Devices and Systems I Fall 2017 Discussion 7B

## 1. Series and Parallel Combinations

For the resistor network shown below, find an equivalent resistance between the terminals *A* and *B* using the resistor combination rules for series and parallel resistors.



## 2. Equivalence

Find the Thévenin and Norton equivalents across terminals *a* and *b* for the circuits given below.

(a)



(b)







(c)



(e)

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(f)

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## 3. Why Bother With Thévenin Anyway?

(a) Find a Thévenin equivalent for the circuit shown below.

![](_page_2_Figure_2.jpeg)

(b) What happens to the output voltage  $V_{ab}$  if we attach a load of  $8 k\Omega$  to the output as depicted in the circuit below. Use your Thévenin equivalent from part (a).

![](_page_2_Figure_4.jpeg)

- (c) What if the load is  $\frac{8}{3}k\Omega$ ? What if the load is  $80 k\Omega$ ?
- (d) Say that we want to support loads in the range of  $8k\Omega$  to  $10k\Omega$ . We would like to maintain 4V across these loads. How can we approximately achieve this by setting  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  in the following circuit?

![](_page_3_Figure_0.jpeg)

(e) For part (b), how much power does each element dissipate? Calculate the power using your Thévenin equivalent and using the original circuit. Are the values the same?