

## EE100 Su08 Lecture #3 (June 27<sup>th</sup> 2008)

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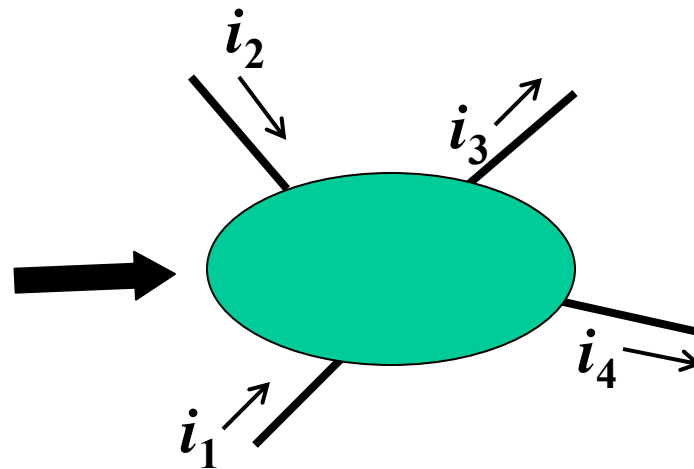
- Administrivia
  - Videos for lectures 1 and 2 are up (WMV format). Quality is pretty good 😊.
- For today:
  - **Questions?**
  - **Wrap up chapter 2.**
  - Start chapter 3. Refer to pdf slides for week 2.
  - An outline of Labs #1 and #2.

# Generalization of KCL

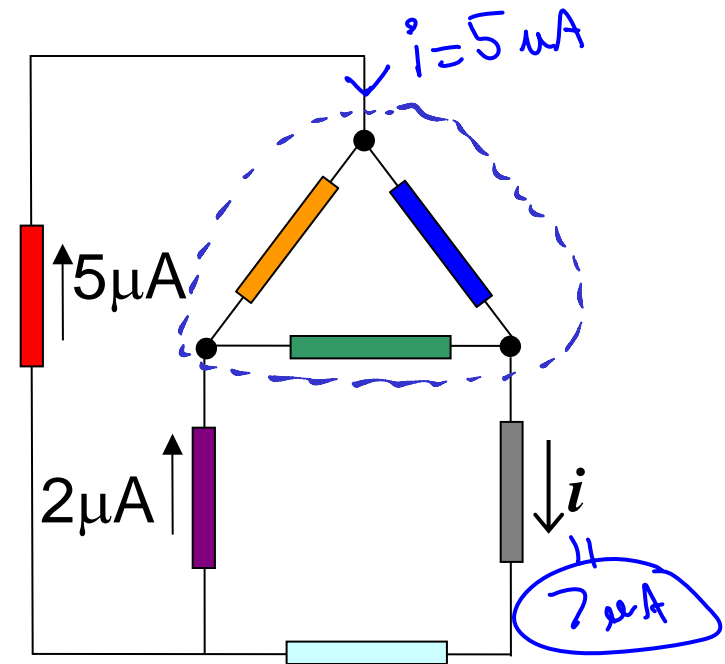
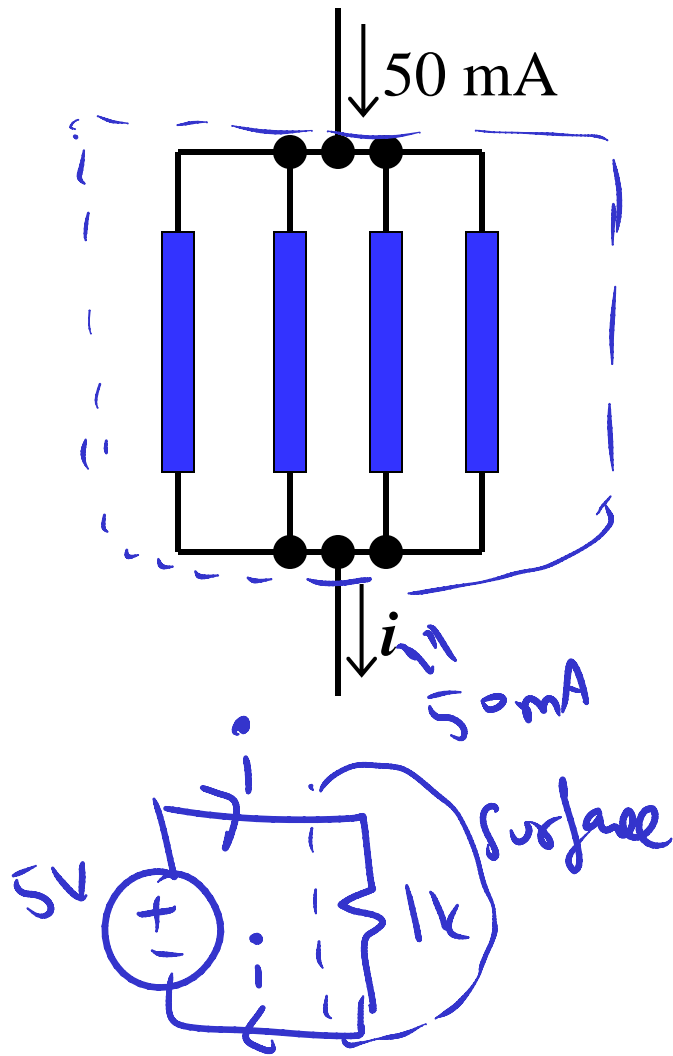
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- The sum of currents entering/leaving a **closed surface** is zero. Circuit branches can be inside this surface, *i.e.* the surface can enclose more than one node!

This could be a big chunk of a circuit, e.g. a “black box”



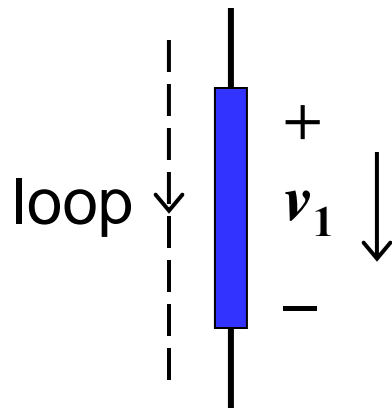
# Generalized KCL Examples



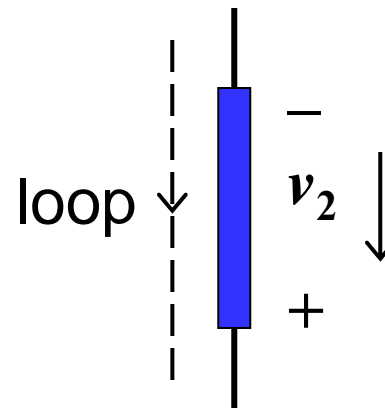
# Using Kirchhoff's Voltage Law (KVL)

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Consider a branch which forms part of a loop.  
One possibility for sign convention:



**Moving from + to -  
We add  $V_1$**



**Moving from - to +  
We subtract  $V_2$**

- Use **reference polarities** to determine whether a voltage is dropped
- **No concern about actual voltage polarities**

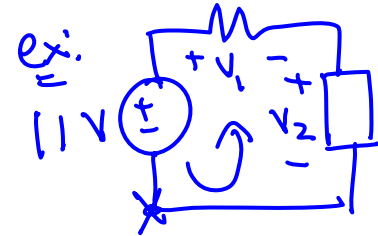
# Formulations of Kirchhoff's Voltage Law

(Conservation of energy)

## Formulation 1:

Sum of voltage drops around loop  
= sum of voltage rises around loop

$$11 = V_1 + V_2$$



## Formulation 2:

$$-V_2 - V_1 + 11 = 0$$

Algebraic sum of voltage drops around loop = 0

- Voltage rises are included with a minus sign.

(Handy trick: Look at the first sign you encounter on each element when tracing the loop.)

## Formulation 3:

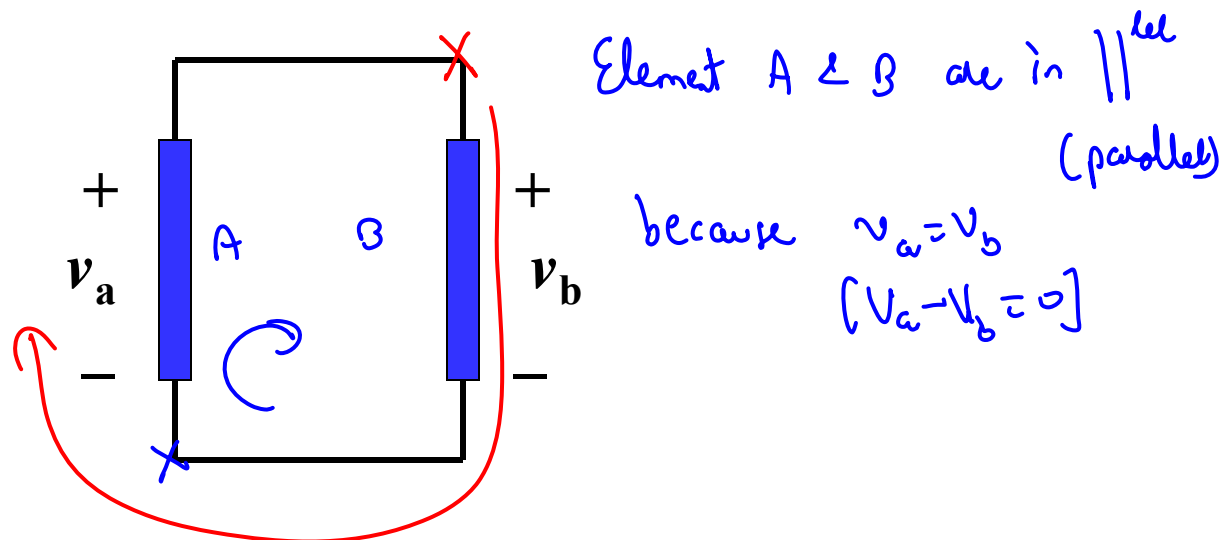
$$V_1 + V_2 - 11 = 0$$

Algebraic sum of voltage rises around loop = 0

- Voltage drops are included with a minus sign.

# A Major Implication of KVL

- KVL tells us that **any set of elements which are connected at both ends carry the same voltage.**
- We say these elements are connected **in parallel.**



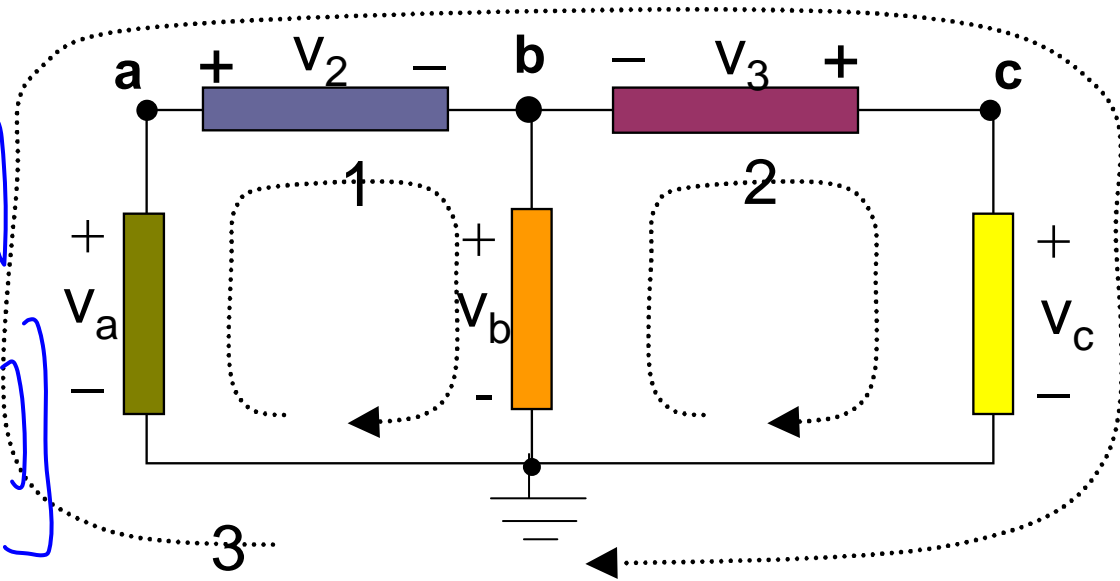
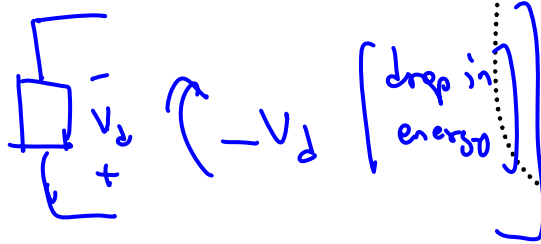
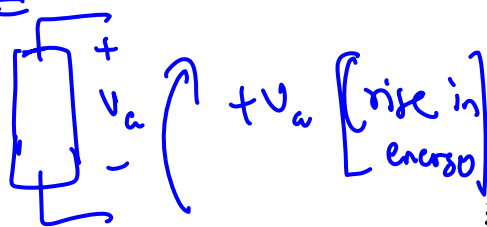
Applying KVL in the clockwise direction, starting at the top:

$$+v_b - v_a = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad v_b = v_a$$

# KVL Example

Three closed paths:

Note: I use Physics:



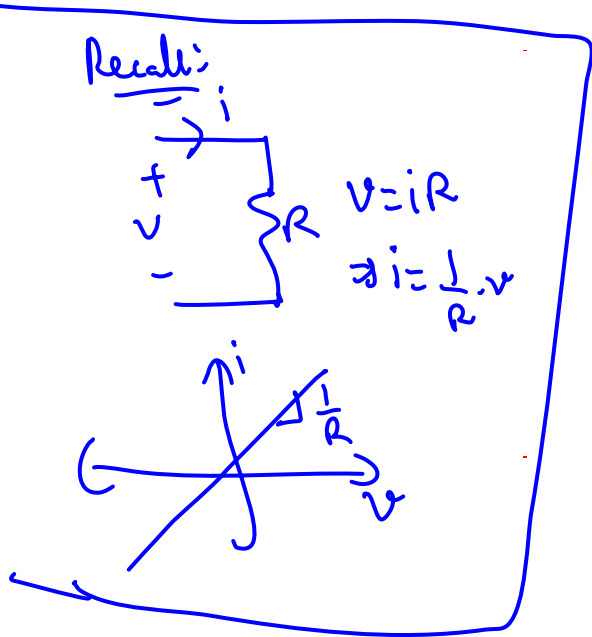
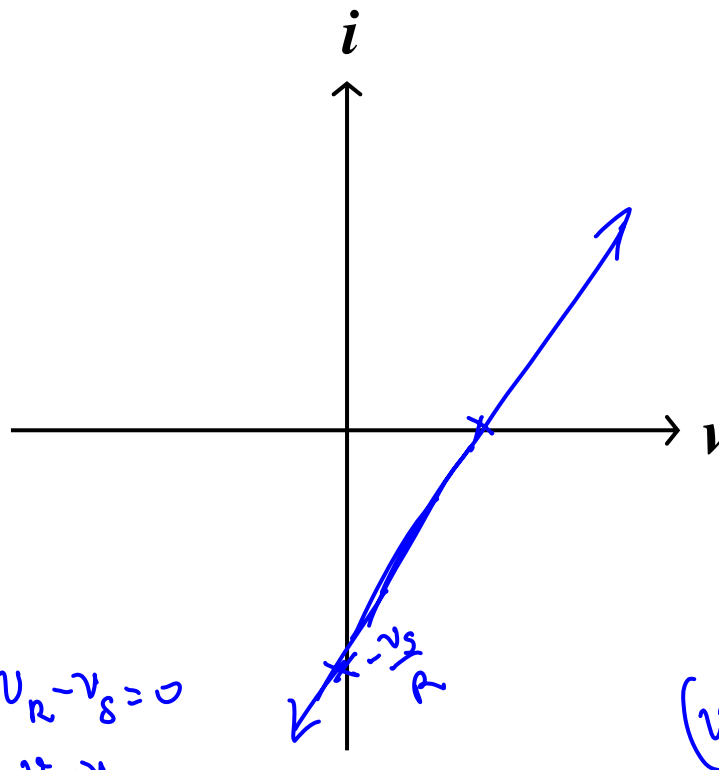
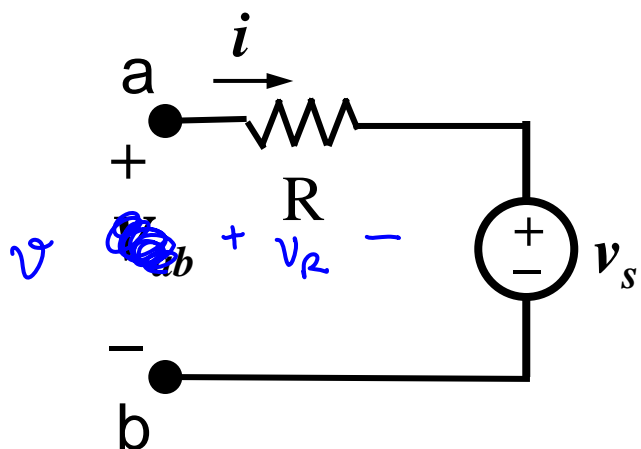
**Path 1:**  $V_a - V_2 - V_b = 0 \text{ V}$

**Path 2:**  $V_b + V_3 - V_c = 0 \text{ V}$

**Path 3:**  $V_a - V_2 + V_3 - V_c = 0 \text{ V}$

# I-V Characteristic of Elements

Find the I-V characteristic.



KVL:  $v - v_R - v_s = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow v_R = v - v_s$

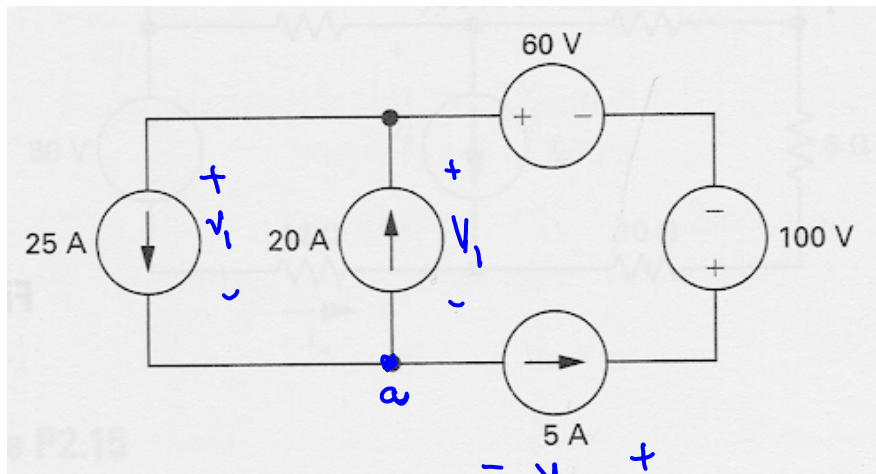
$\therefore$  Ohm's law:  $i = \frac{v_R}{R} = \frac{v - v_s}{R} \Rightarrow \boxed{i = \frac{1}{R}v - \frac{v_s}{R}}$

$(v_s > 0)$



# More Examples

- Are these interconnections permissible?



KCL @ 'a':  $25 = 20 + 5$  ✓

KVL:  $v_2 - 100 + 60 - v_1 = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow v_2 - v_1 = 40$

Power:  
 $\underline{25A}$ :  $p_1 = 25v_1$      $\underline{5A}$ :  $p_3 = -5v_2$   
 $\underline{20A}$ :  $p_2 = -20v_1$      $\underline{100V}$ :  $p_4 = +500W$   
 $\underline{60V}$ :  $p_5 = -300W$

Power:  $\sum_i p_i = 0$

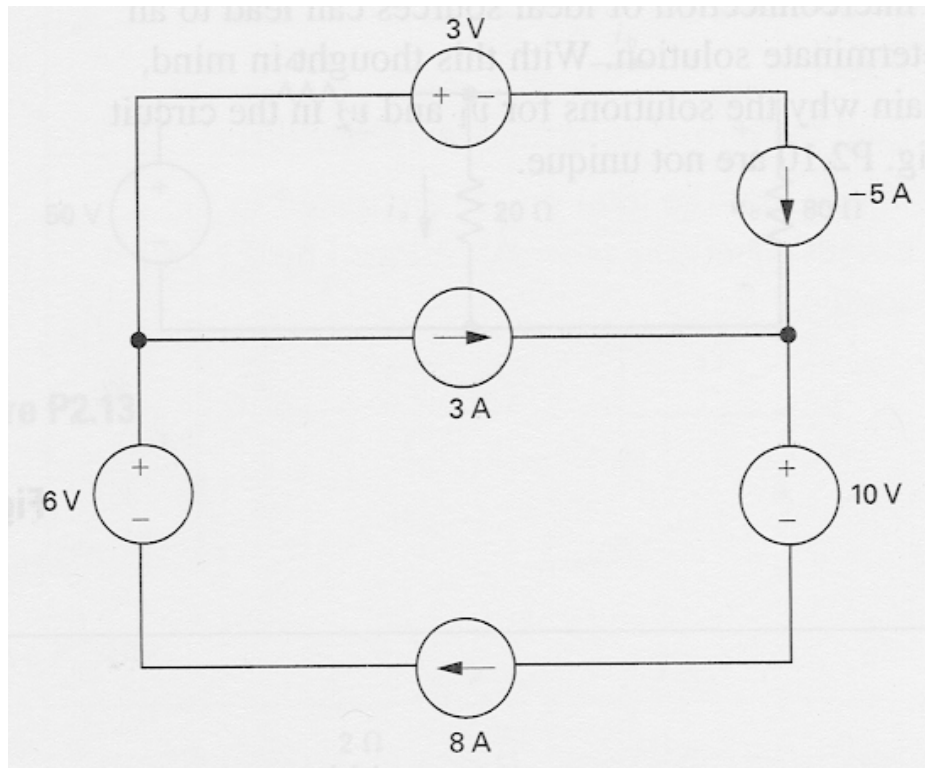
$\Rightarrow p_1 + p_2 + p_3 + p_4 + p_5 = 0$

$\Rightarrow 25v_1 - 20v_1 - 5v_2 + 500 - 300 = 0$

$\Rightarrow 5v_1 - 5v_2 + 200 = 0$

$\Rightarrow 5v_2 - 5v_1 = 200$

$\Rightarrow v_2 - v_1 = 40$



← Please try yourself, post on  
bspace if you have questions.

# Summary

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- An electrical system can be modeled by an **electric circuit** (**combination of paths**, each containing 1 or more **circuit elements**)
  - Lumped model
- The **Current versus voltage characteristics (I-V plot)** is a universal means of describing a circuit element.
- **Kirchhoff's current law (KCL)** states that the algebraic sum of all currents at any node in a circuit equals zero.
  - Comes from conservation of charge
- **Kirchhoff's voltage law (KVL)** states that the algebraic sum of all voltages around any closed path in a circuit equals zero.
  - Comes from conservation of potential energy

# Chapters 3 and 4

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- Outline

- Resistors in Series – Voltage Divider
- Conductances in Parallel – Current Divider

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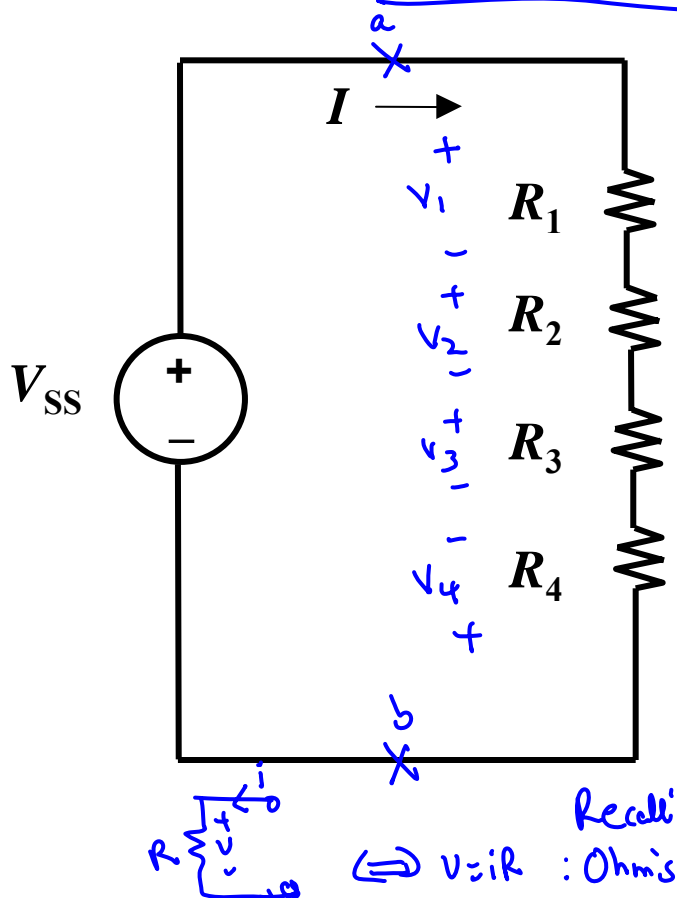
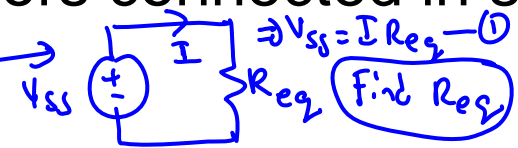
- Node-Voltage Analysis
- Mesh-Current Analysis
- Superposition
- Thévenin equivalent circuits
- Norton equivalent circuits
- Maximum Power Transfer

Chap. 3

Chap. 4

# Resistors in Series

Consider a circuit with multiple resistors connected in series. Find their “equivalent resistance”.



- KCL tells us that the same current ( $I$ ) flows through every resistor
- KVL tells us:

$$+V_{SS} - v_1 - v_2 - v_3 + v_4 = 0$$

Ohm's law:

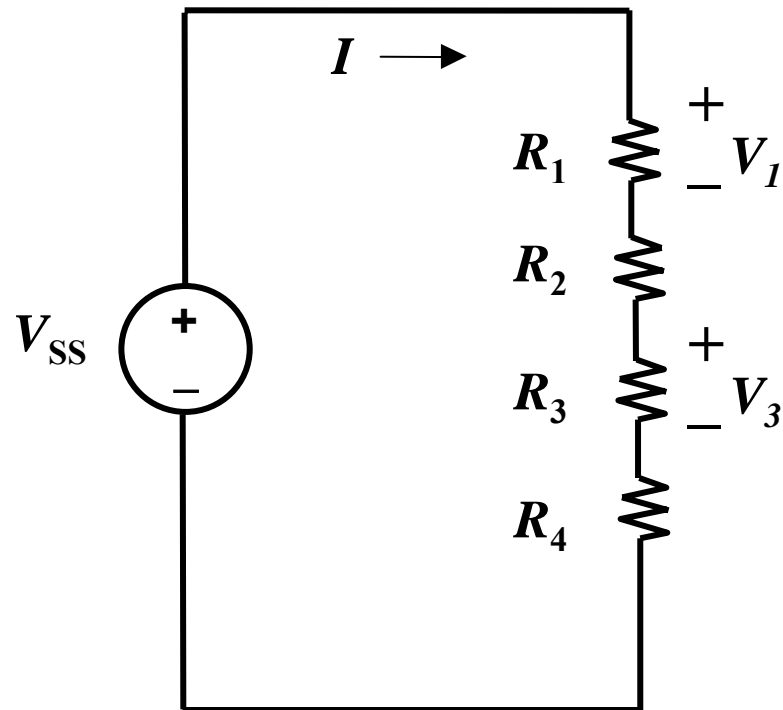
$$\begin{aligned} v_1 &= IR_1 \\ v_2 &= IR_2 \\ v_3 &= IR_3 \\ v_4 &= -IR_4 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{from KVL} \quad v_{SS} &= v_1 + v_2 + v_3 - v_4 \\ &= IR_1 + IR_2 + IR_3 - (-IR_4) \\ v_{SS} &= I(R_1 + R_2 + R_3 + R_4) \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

$$(1) \text{ and } (2) \Rightarrow R_{eq} = \sum_{j=1}^4 R_j$$

**Equivalent resistance of resistors in series is the sum**

# Voltage Divider



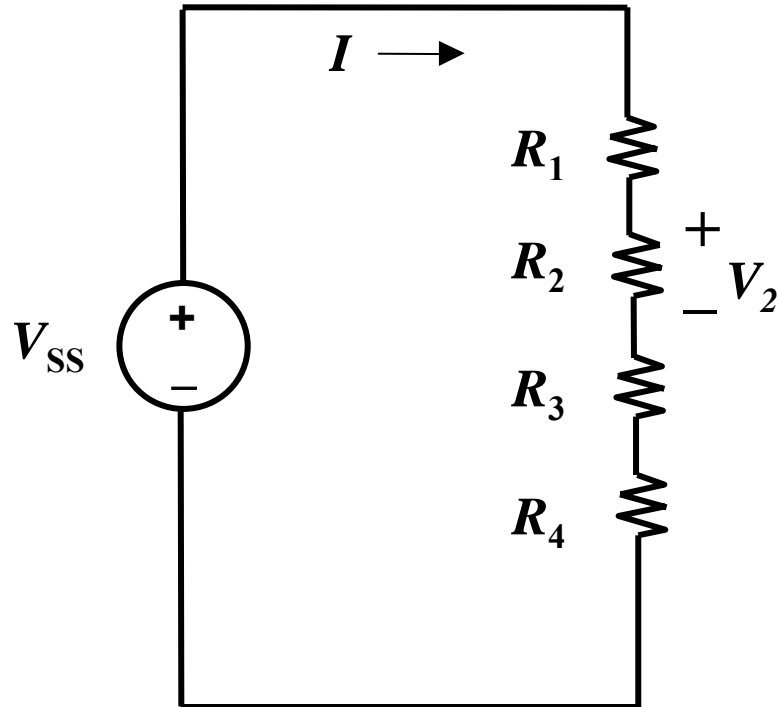
$$I = V_{SS} / (R_1 + R_2 + R_3 + R_4)$$

(Q.) Find  $V_1$  &  $V_2$  in terms of  $V_{SS}$ ,  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ ,  $R_3$  and  $R_4$ .

$$V_1 = IR_1$$

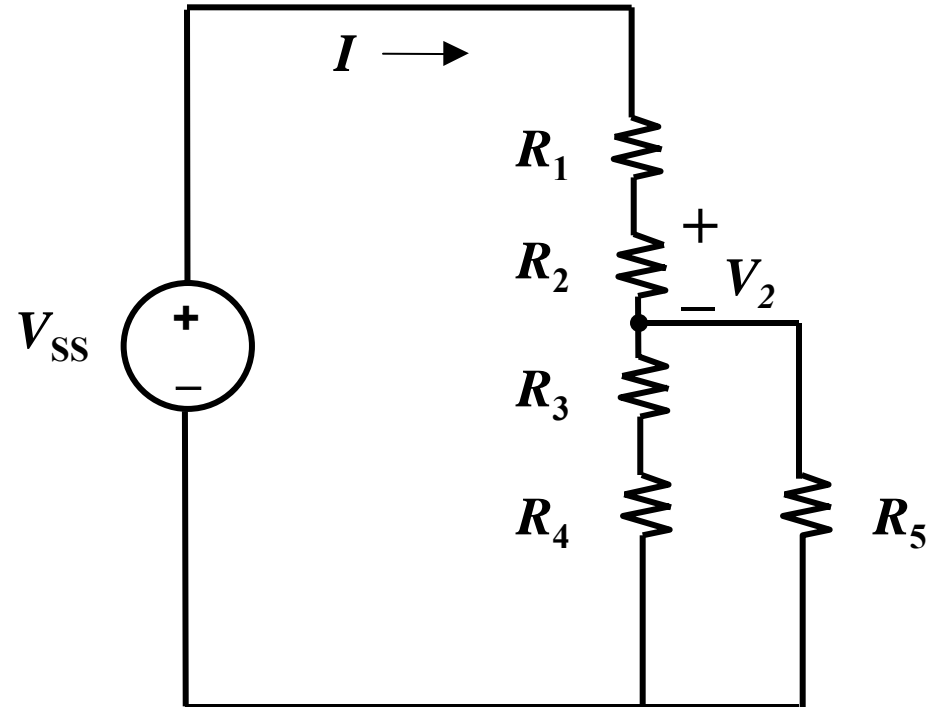
$$\Rightarrow V_1 = V_{SS} \cdot \frac{R_1}{\sum_{j=1}^4 R_j}$$

# When can the Voltage Divider Formula be Used?



$$V_2 = \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2 + R_3 + R_4} \cdot V_{SS}$$

Correct, if nothing else is connected to nodes

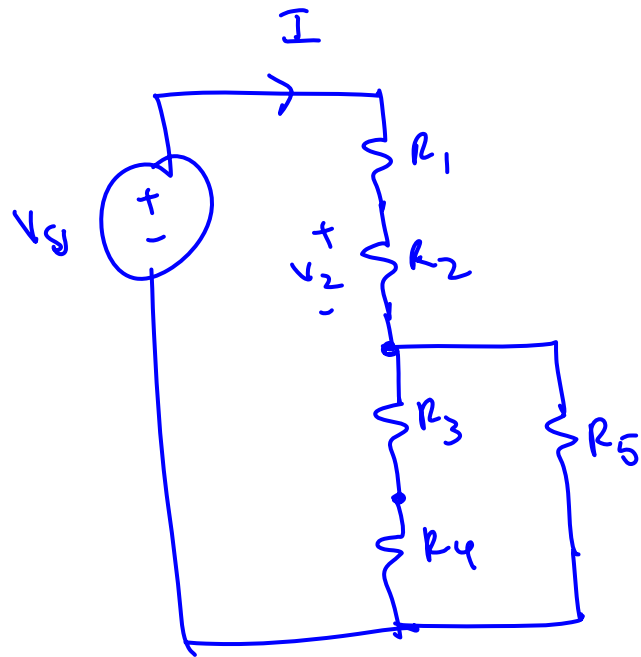


$$V_2 \neq \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2 + R_3 + R_4} \cdot V_{SS}$$

Why? What is  $V_2$ ?  $V_2 = R_2 \cdot I$   
 Because  $R_1 + R_2$  not in series with  $R_3$  &  $R_4$

CAUTION: Voltage Divider Formula must be used with care.

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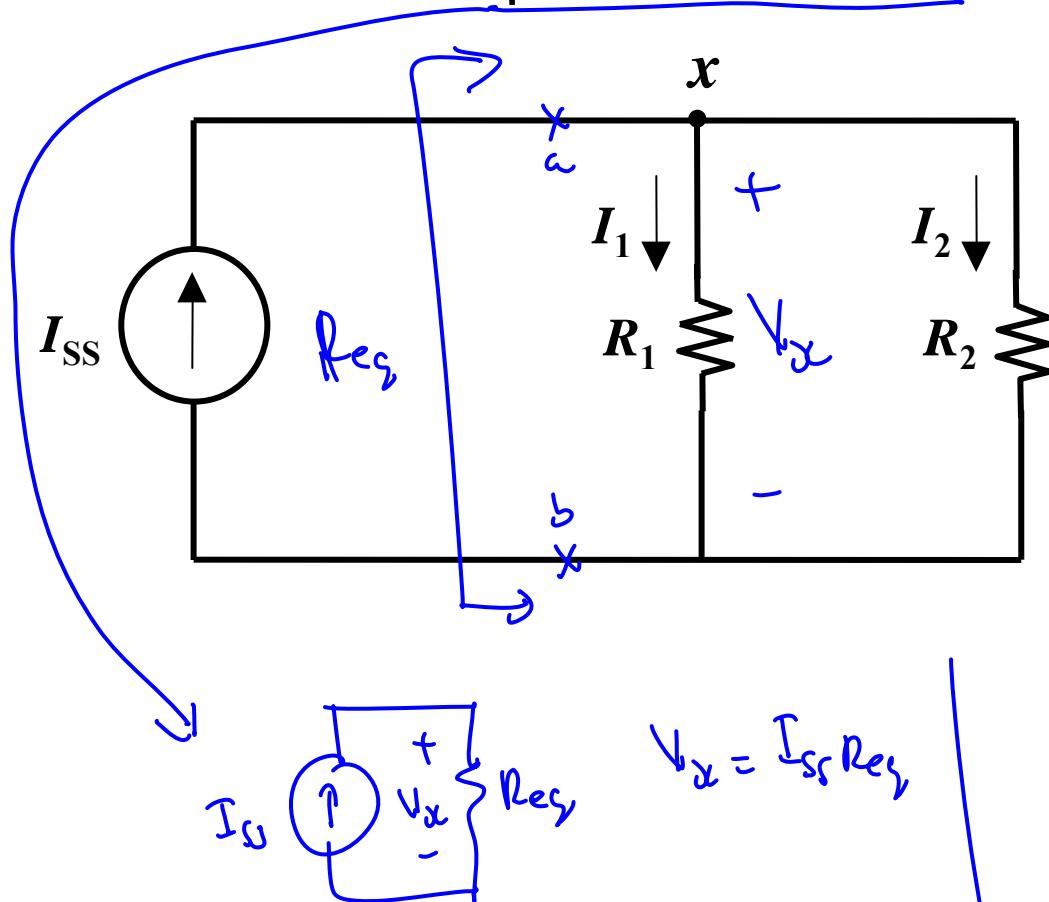


$$V_2 = I R_2$$
$$= \left[ \frac{V_{SS}}{R_1 + R_2 + \left\{ (R_3 + R_4) \parallel R_5 \right\}} \right] R_2$$



# Resistors in Parallel

Consider a circuit with two resistors connected in parallel. Find their “equivalent resistance”.



- KVL tells us that the same voltage is dropped across each resistor

$$V_x = I_1 R_1 = I_2 R_2$$

- KCL tells us:

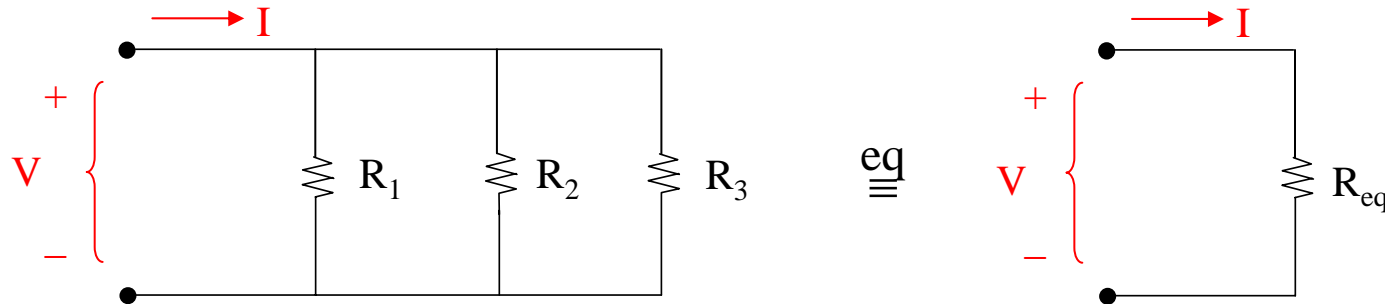
$$I_{SS} = I_1 + I_2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{V_x}{R_{eq}} = \frac{V_x}{R_1} + \frac{V_x}{R_2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{1}{R_{eq}} = \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2}}$$

# General Formula for Parallel Resistors

What single resistance  $R_{eq}$  is equivalent to three resistors in parallel?



In general

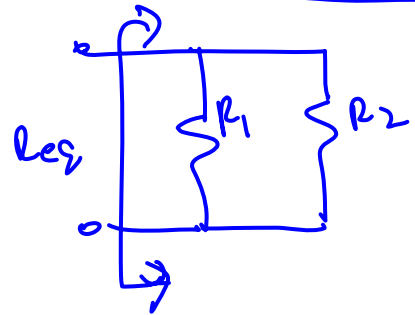
$$\frac{1}{R_{eq}} = \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{R_j} = \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} + \dots + \frac{1}{R_n}$$

Easy to derive yourself.

**Equivalent conductance of resistors in parallel is the sum**

# Some important observations about $\parallel$ resistors

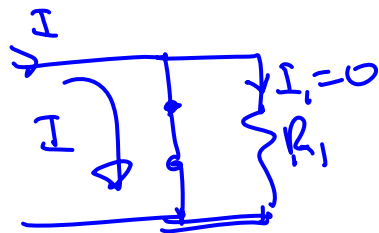
(1) Two resistors in  $\parallel$



$$\frac{1}{R_{eq}} = \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2}$$

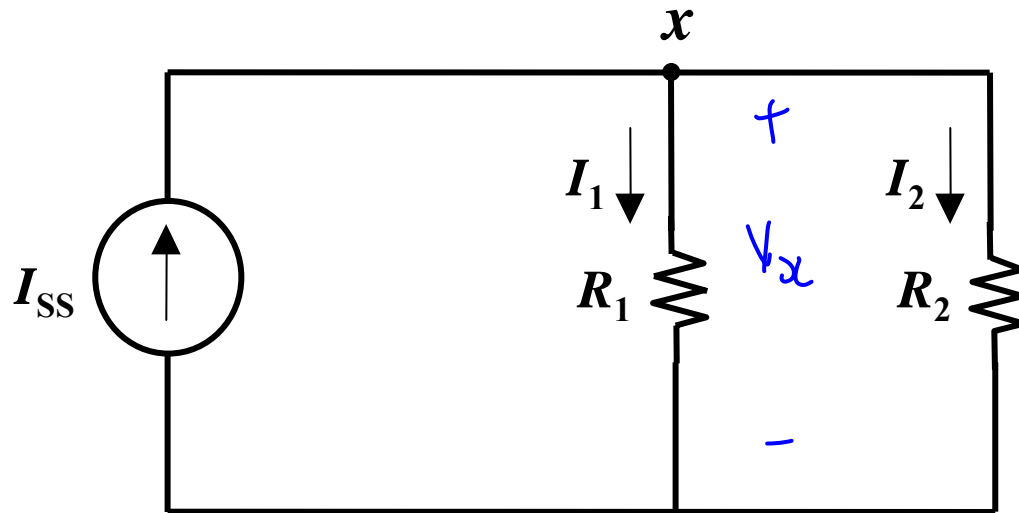
$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{R_{eq}} = \frac{R_1 + R_2}{R_1 R_2} \Rightarrow R_{eq} = \frac{R_1 R_2}{R_1 + R_2}$$

As  $R_1 \rightarrow 0$ ,  $R_{eq} = \frac{0 \cdot R_2}{0 + R_2} = 0$



Short circuits "short-out" resistors in  $\parallel$

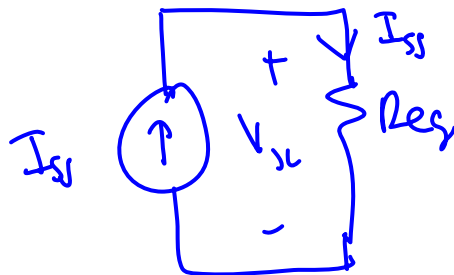
# Current Divider



(Q.) Find  $I_1$  &  $I_2$  in terms of  $I_{SS}$ ,  $R_1$  &  $R_2$ ?

$$V_x = I_1 R_1 = I_{SS} R_{eq}$$

$$\text{But, } R_{eq} = \frac{R_1 R_2}{R_1 + R_2}$$



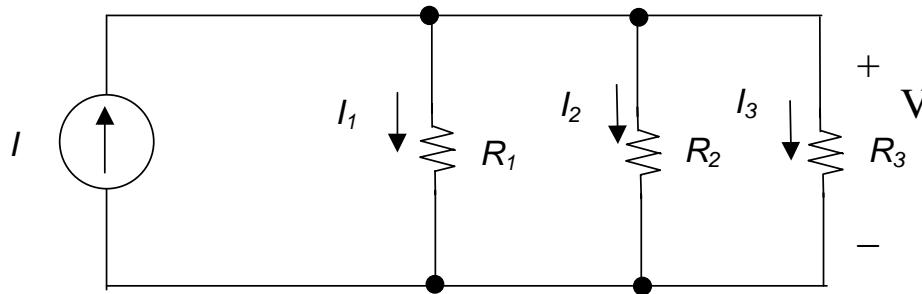
$$\therefore I_1 R_1 = I_{SS} \cdot \frac{R_1 R_2}{R_1 + R_2}$$

$$\Rightarrow I_1 = \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} \cdot I_{SS}$$

$$I_2 = \frac{R_1}{R_1 + R_2} I_{SS}$$

# Generalized Current Divider Formula

Consider a current divider circuit with >2 resistors in parallel:



$$V = \frac{I}{\left(\frac{1}{R_1}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{R_2}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{R_3}\right)}$$

$$I_3 = \frac{V}{R_3} = I \left[ \frac{1/R_3}{1/R_1 + 1/R_2 + 1/R_3} \right]$$

Note:  $V = I \cdot R_{eq}$

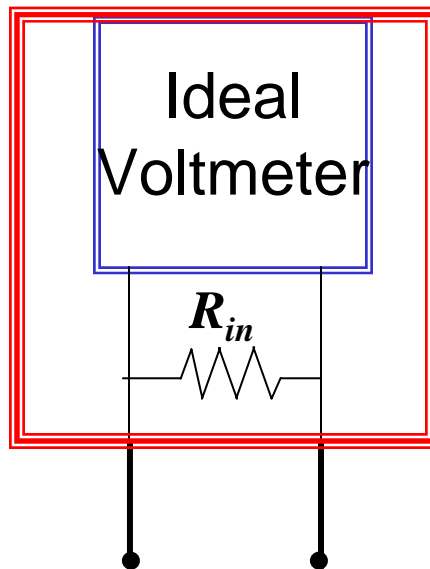
But,  $\frac{1}{R_{eq}} = \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} + \frac{1}{R_3}$

# Measuring Voltage

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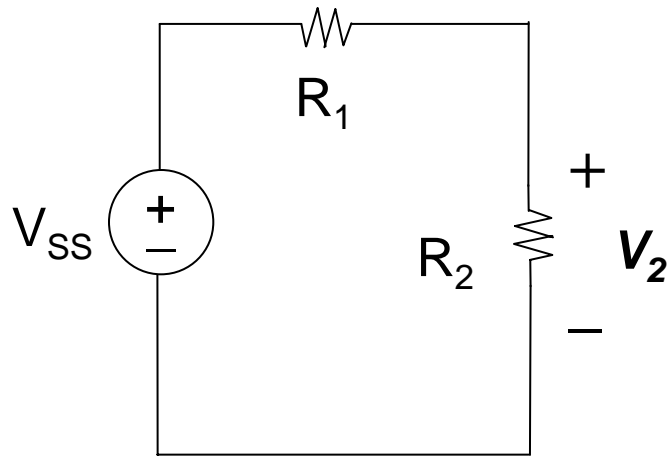
To measure the voltage drop across an element in a real circuit, insert a voltmeter (digital multimeter in voltage mode) **in parallel** with the element.

Voltmeters are characterized by their “voltmeter input resistance” ( $R_{in}$ ). Ideally, this should be very high (typical value 10 M $\Omega$ )



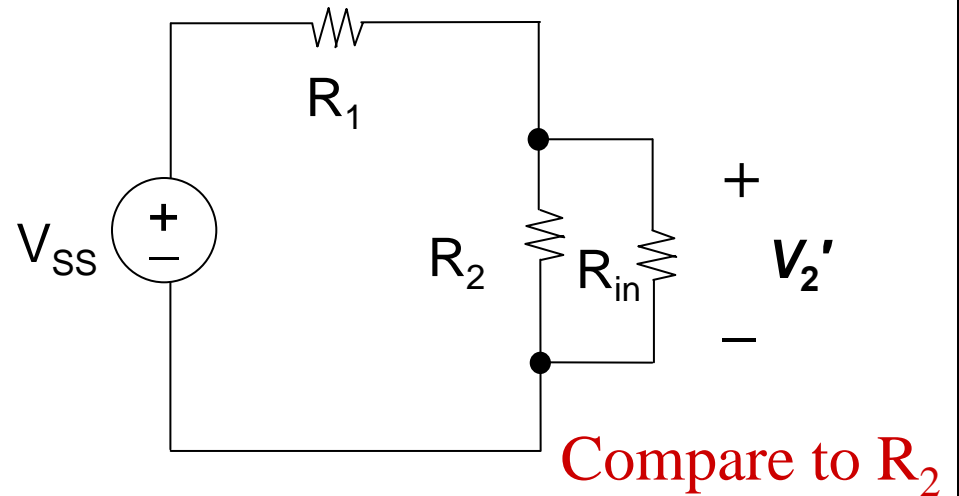
# Effect of Voltmeter

## undisturbed circuit



$$V_2 = V_{SS} \left[ \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} \right]$$

## circuit with voltmeter inserted



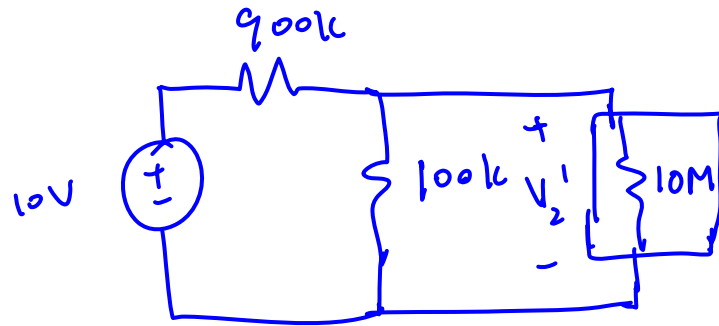
$$V_2' = V_{SS} \left[ \frac{R_2 \parallel R_{in}}{R_2 \parallel R_{in} + R_1} \right]$$

Example:  $V_{SS} = 10\text{V}$ ,  $R_2 = 100\text{K}$ ,  $R_1 = 900\text{K} \Rightarrow V_2 = 1\text{V}$

$R_{in} = 10\text{M}$ ,  $V_2' = ?$

# Effect of Voltmeter

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Step (1):  $10M \parallel 100k = \frac{10M \cdot 100k}{10M + 100k} = \frac{1000 \times 10^6 \times 10^3}{10M + 0.1M} \approx 100k$

Moral: <sup>Internal</sup> Resistance of a voltmeter is really big.

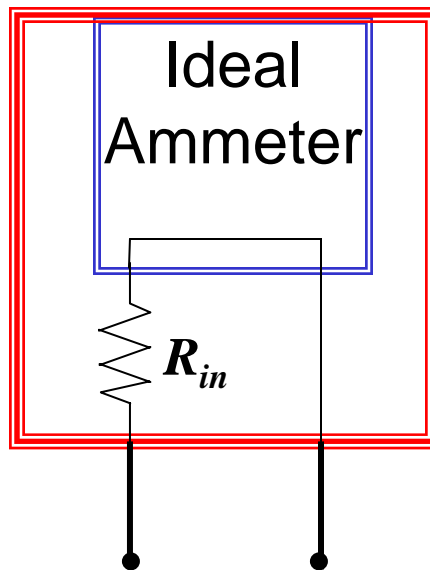


# Measuring Current

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To measure the current flowing through an element in a real circuit, insert an ammeter (digital multimeter in current mode) **in series** with the element.

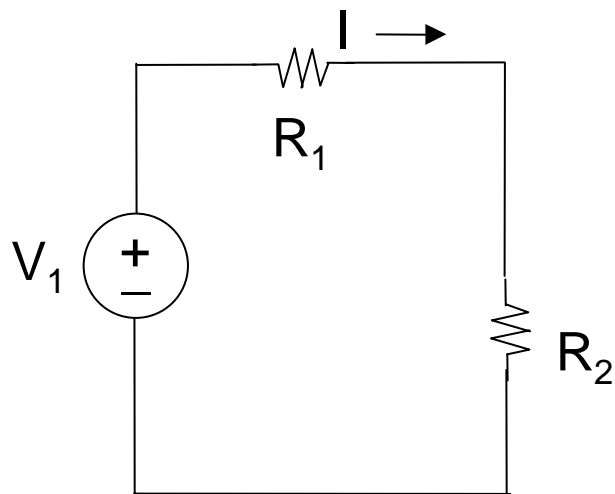
Ammeters are characterized by their “ammeter input resistance” ( $R_{in}$ ). Ideally, this should be very low (typical value  $1\Omega$ ).



# Effect of Ammeter

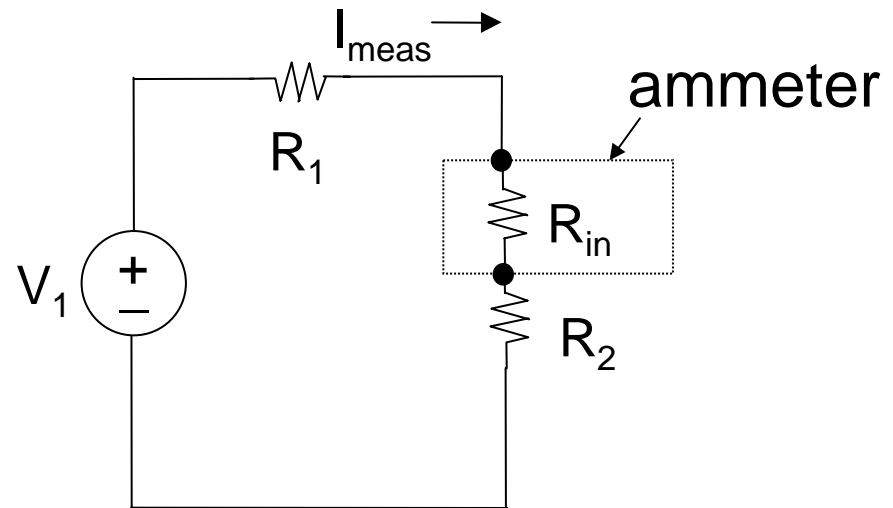
Measurement error due to non-zero input resistance:

undisturbed circuit



$$I = \frac{V_1}{R_1 + R_2}$$

circuit with ammeter inserted



$$I_{meas} = \frac{V_1}{R_1 + R_2 + R_{in}}$$

Example:  $V_1 = 1 \text{ V}$ ,  $R_1 = R_2 = 500 \text{ } \Omega$ ,  $R_{in} = 1 \text{ } \Omega$

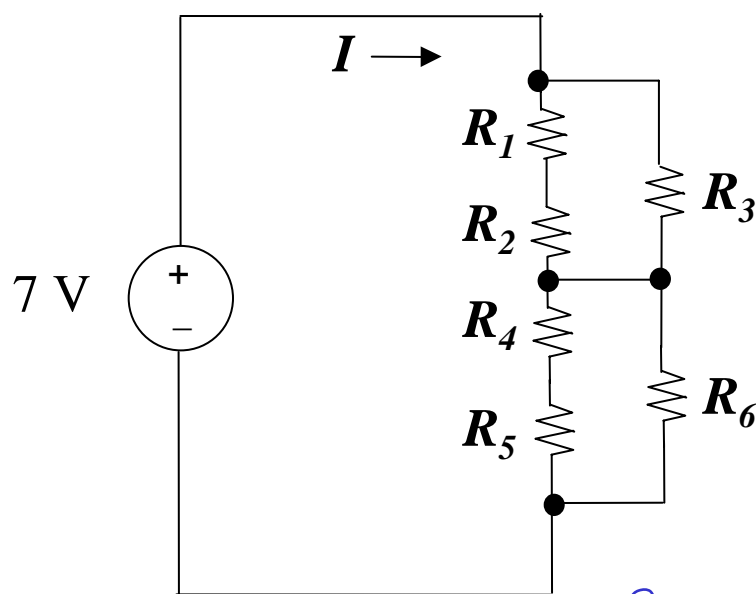
$$I = \frac{1\text{V}}{500\Omega + 500\Omega} = 1\text{mA}, \quad I_{meas} = ?$$

Compare to  $R_2$  ~~+~~

# Using Equivalent Resistances

Simplify a circuit before applying KCL and/or KVL:

Example: Find  $I$

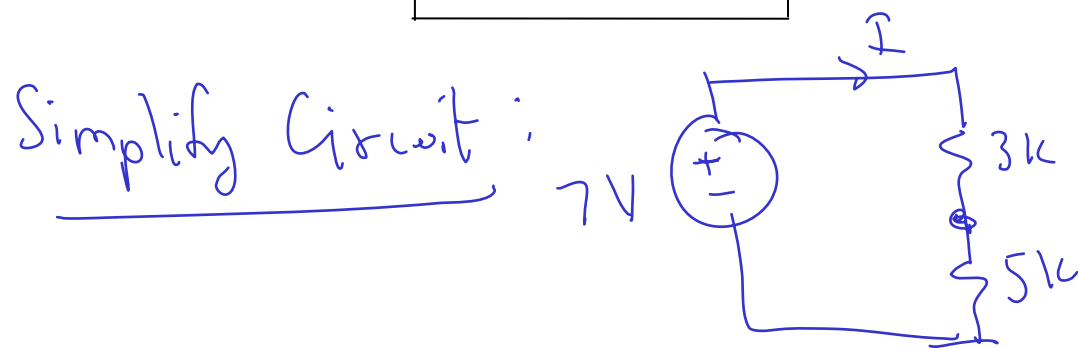


$$R_1 = R_2 = 3 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$R_3 = 6 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$R_4 = R_5 = 5 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$R_6 = 10 \text{ k}\Omega$$



$$\therefore I = \frac{7}{8} \text{ mA}$$

## Wheatstone's Bridge (Section 3.6)

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(1) Read it  $\rightarrow$  You will need it for lab #7.

(2) Skip 3-7 (No  $\Delta$ -7)

## Labs #1 and #2

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- COME ON TIME FOR THE LABS!
- UNDERSTAND how to use the breadboard!
- You need to get familiar with the instruments: feel free to use TA office hours for extra help.
- You will be given a kit next week with all components for the lab. Thus you could “pre-wire” your circuit before coming to lab!
- Lab #1: Instruments
- Lab #2: Circuits. Lab #2 depends on chapter 4, especially the Thevenin equivalents. I will cover Thevenin equivalents by July 2<sup>nd</sup> (Wednesday) lecture, but please READ chapter 4 this weekend!