

Reading Assignment: Sections 4.1-4.8 in *Electric Circuits, 9th Edition* by Nilsson

Chapter 4 – Methods of Analysis for Resistive Circuits

Mesh Equations (or Mesh Analysis) – result in a set of simultaneous, independent KVL equations.

Systematic procedure is introduced for writing these equations that will give a clear approaches that can be used even for very large circuits.

Mesh Equations

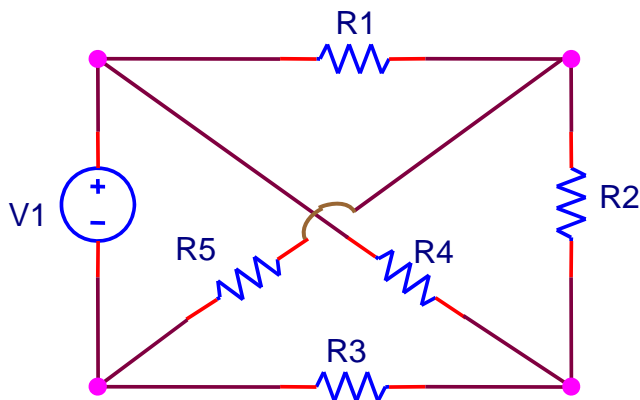
Mesh equations (or mesh analysis) are a set of simultaneous KVL equations.

Mesh equations have one restriction: Mesh analysis can only be used if a circuit is *planar*.

A circuit is planar if it could be drawn on a 2D surface with no crossovers.

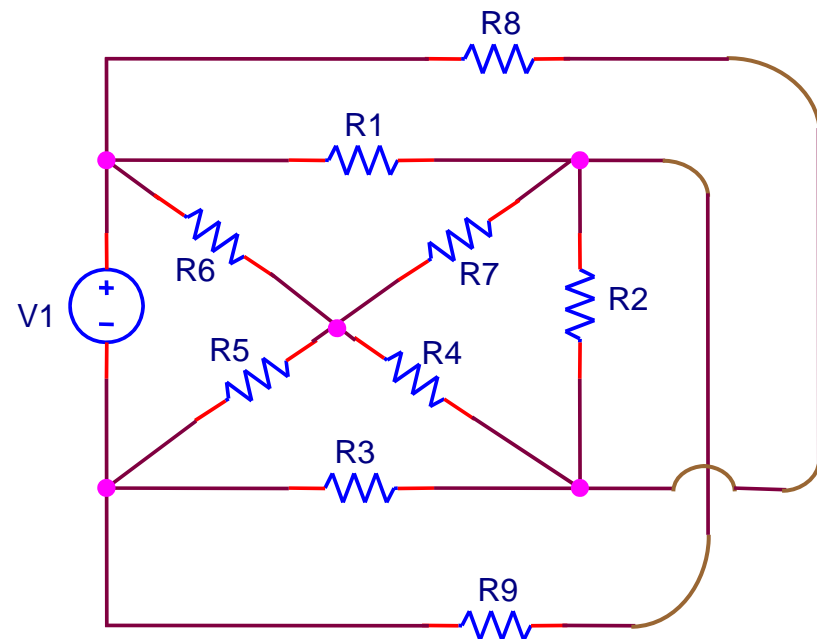
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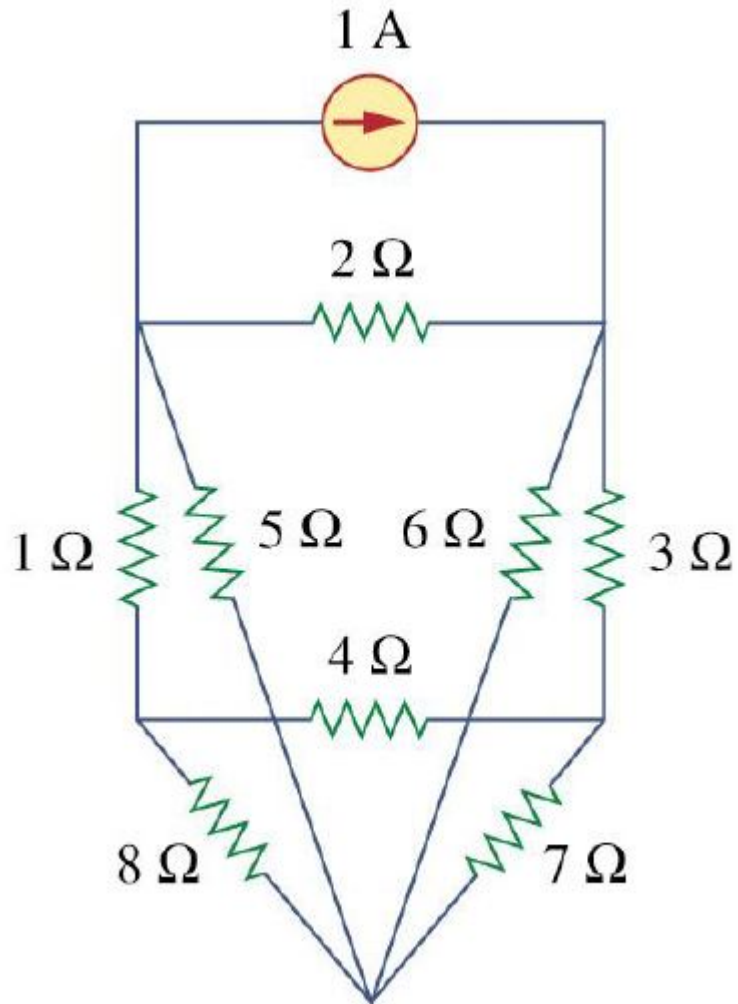
Is the following circuit planar?



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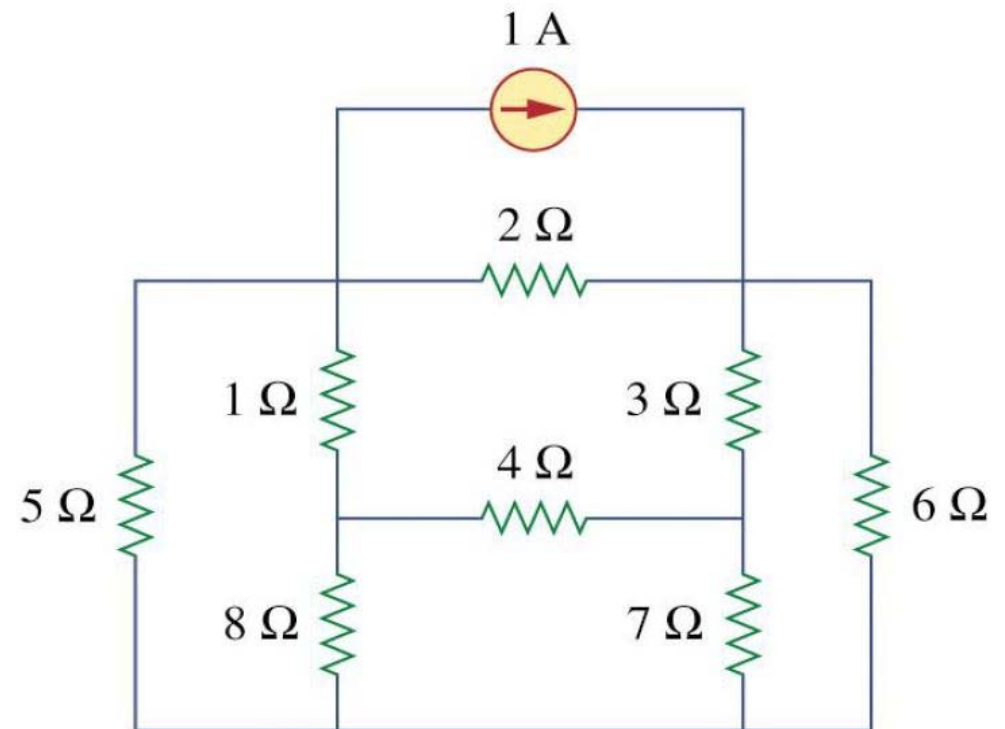
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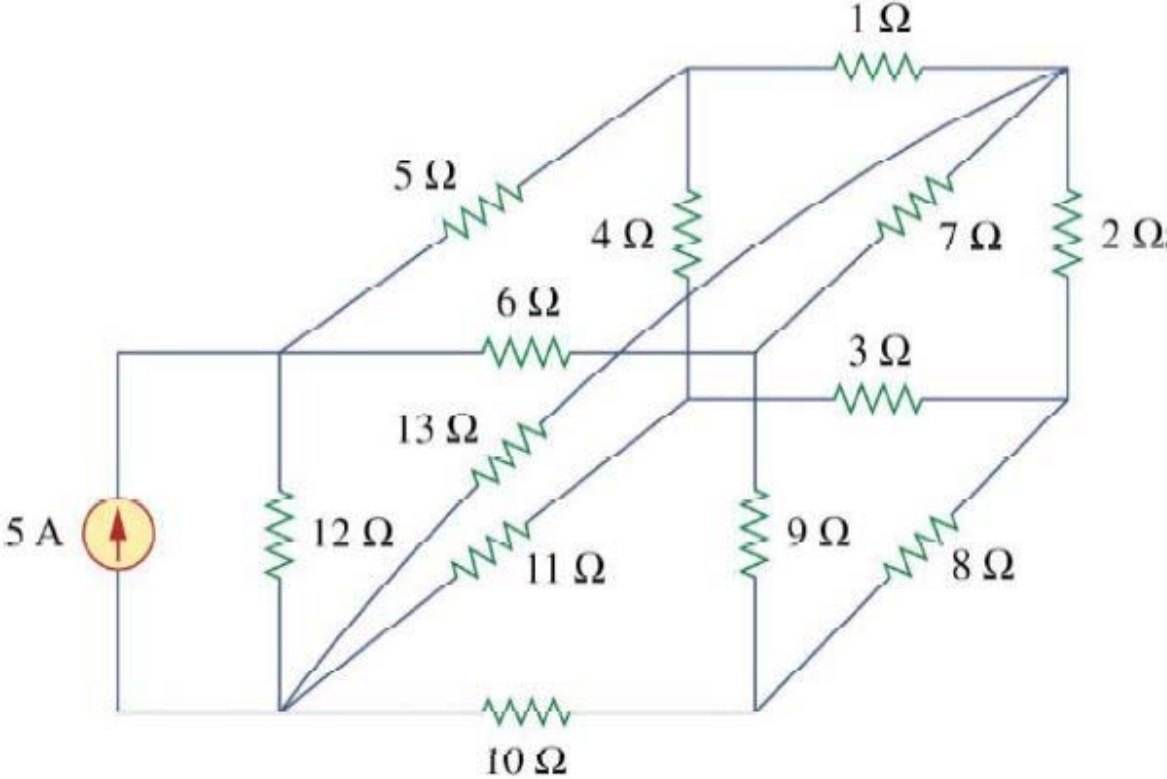


Planner?

Redraw



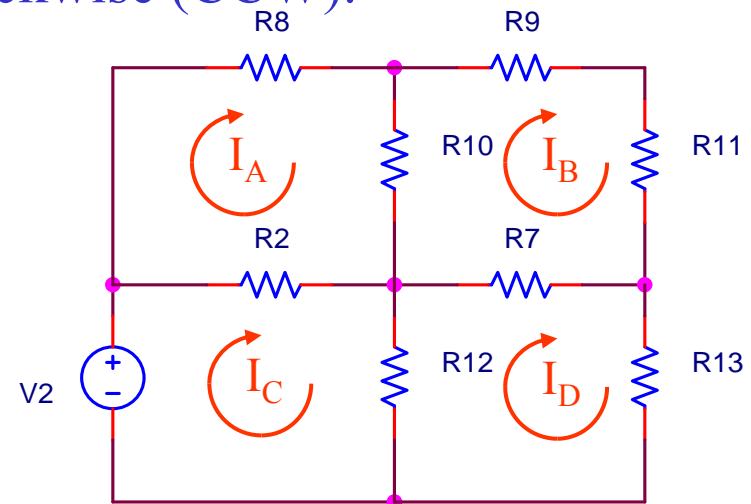
Yes , it is planner



Non-planner

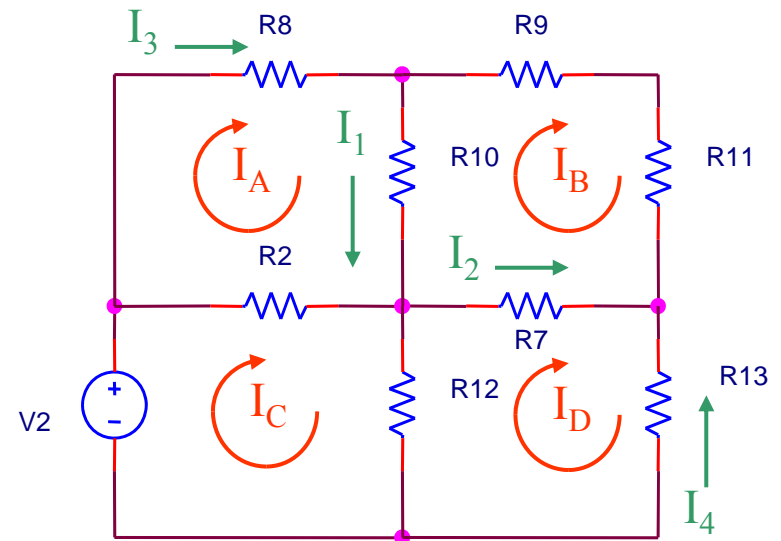
Mesh current – a current associated with a mesh. Mesh currents are generally drawn all clockwise (CW) or all counter clockwise (CCW).

Example: Mesh currents I_A , I_B , I_C , and I_D are shown in the circuit to the right.



Component currents – note that a component current is made up of either one or two mesh currents.

Example: Define the component currents I_1 , I_2 , I_3 , and I_4 in terms of mesh currents.



$$I_1 = I_A - I_B$$

$$I_2 = I_D - I_B$$

$$I_3 = I_A$$

$$I_4 = -I_D$$

Expressing resistor voltages in terms of mesh currents:

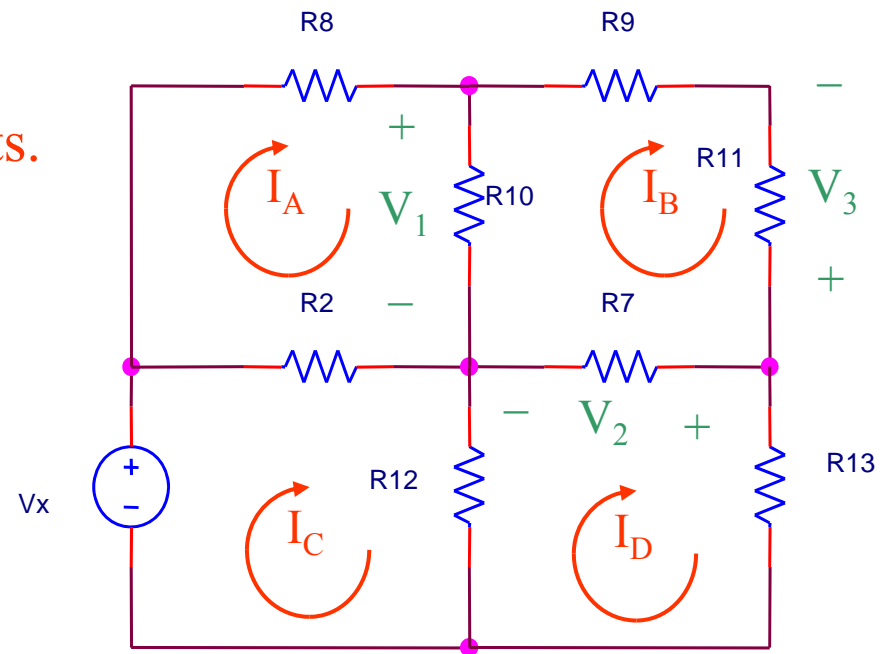
Example: Define the resistor voltages

V_1 , V_2 , and V_3 in terms of mesh currents.

$$V_1 = (I_A - I_B) * R_{10}$$

$$V_2 = (I_B - I_D) * R_7$$

$$V_3 = -I_B * R_{11}$$



Mesh Equations – Procedure:

- 1) Be sure that the circuit is planar (redraw it if necessary).
- 2) Label the mesh currents (generally all CW or all CCW).
- 3) If the circuit contains any current sources on the outer edge, the corresponding mesh currents are defined. If the circuit contains any internal current sources, a *supermesh* is required (more information later).
- 4) Write a KVL equation in each mesh with no current sources and one KVL equation around each supermesh. Express resistor voltages in terms of mesh currents (see below).
- 5) Solve the equations simultaneously. In general, the number of mesh equations is:

$$\# \text{ Mesh Equations} = \# \text{ meshes} - \# \text{ current sources}$$

Mesh Analysis Example

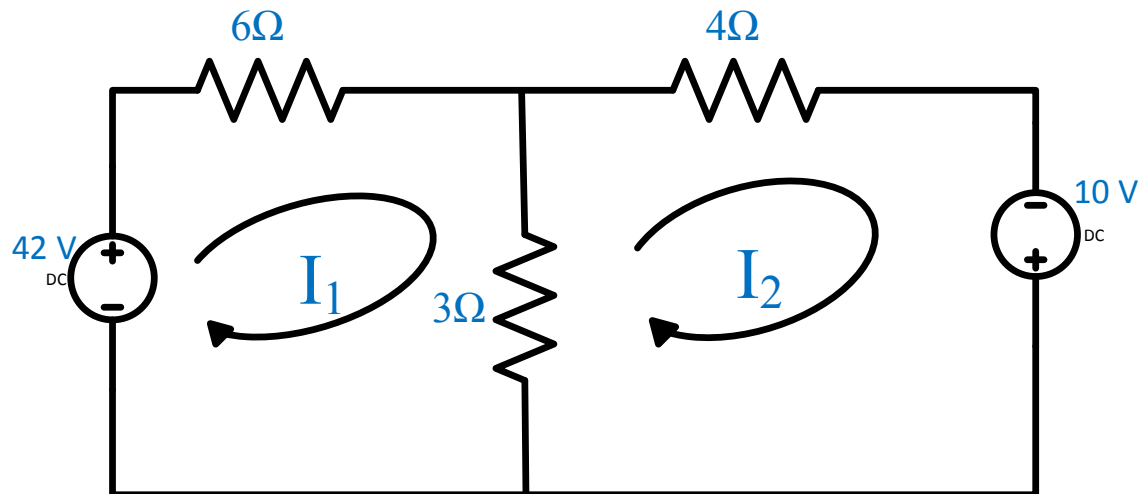


Figure3:example 1 of mesh analysis

KVL for mesh (1)

$$42 = 6I_1 + 3(I_1 - I_2)$$

$$42 = 9I_1 - 3I_2 \text{ ----- (1)}$$

KVL for mesh (2):

$$10 = 4I_2 + 3(I_2 - I_1)$$

$$10 = -3I_1 + 7I_2 \text{ ----- (2)}$$

Solving (1) & (2):

$$\blacklozenge I_1 = 6 A \text{ and } I_2 = 4 A$$

In general

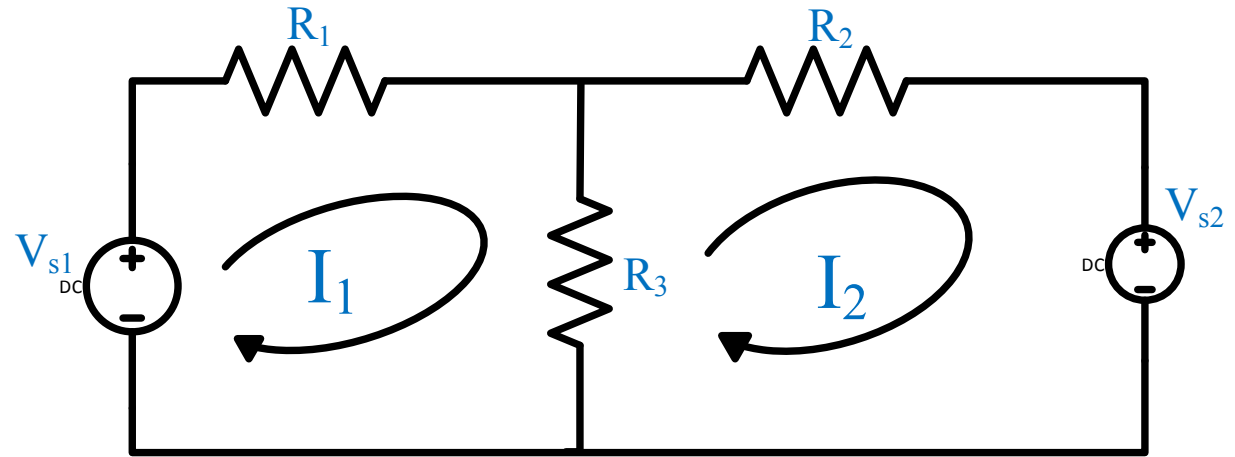


Figure5: Applying KVL for mesh analysis

KVL for mesh (1):

$$-V_{s1} + R_1 I_1 + R_3 (I_1 - I_2) = 0$$

$V_{s1} = (R_1 + R_3) I_1 - R_3 I_2$, where $(R_1 + R_3) =$ self-resistance of mesh (1).

❖ R_3 = mutual resistance between meshes (1) & (

KVL for mesh (2):

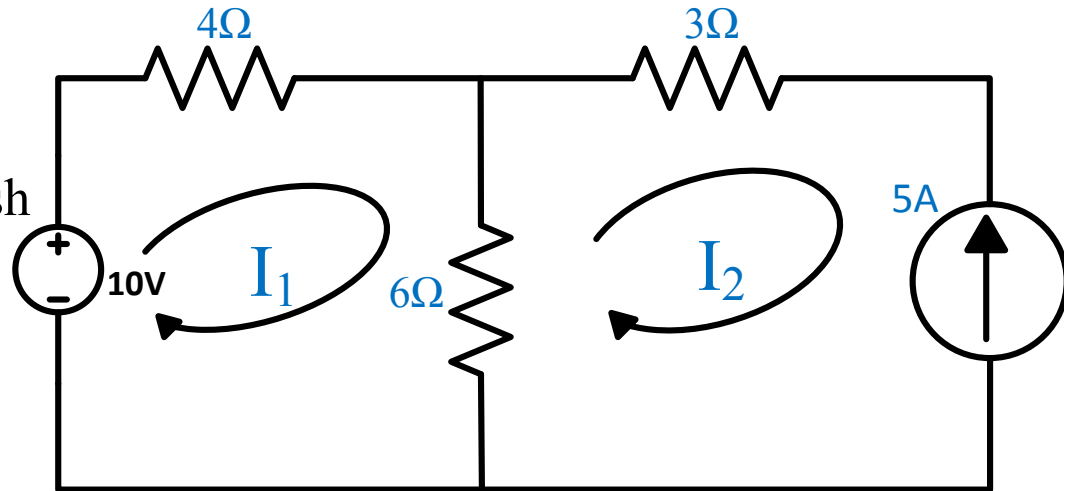
$$-V_{s2} = -R_3 I_1 + (R_2 + R_3) I_2$$

$(R_2 + R_3) =$ Self-resistance of mesh (2).

Mesh analysis: with current source

Case 1:

Current source exist only in one mesh



Figur6:mesh with current sourcee.

KVL for mesh (1):

$$10 = 10I_1 - 6I_2$$

Constrain equation:

$$I_2 = -5A$$

$$\blacklozenge I_1 = -2A$$

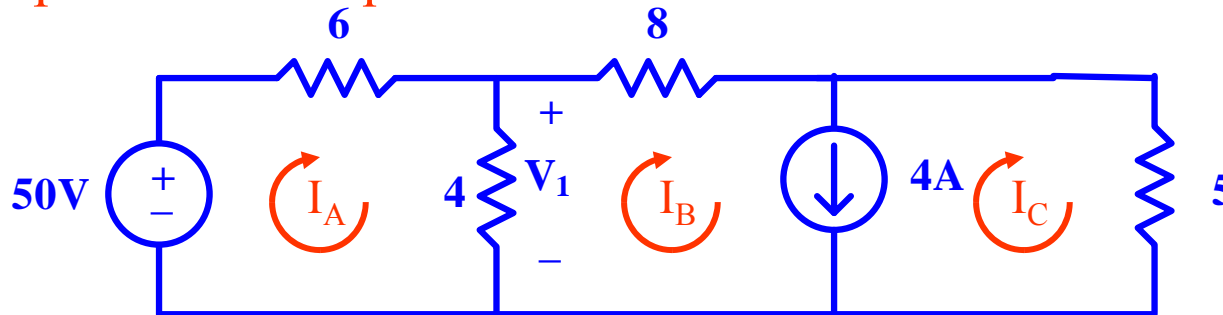
Note: Since I_2 is known and there is no need to write mesh equation for mesh 2

Supermesh

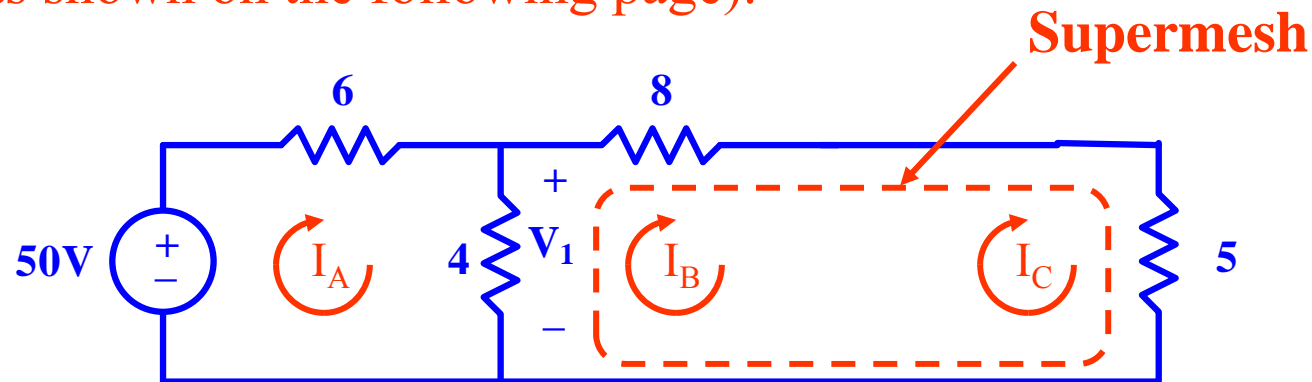
If a circuit contains an internal current source, a *supermesh* is required in order to perform mesh analysis. A *supermesh* is the new, larger mesh that is created by removing the internal current source. A new mesh current is not added. The supermesh simply shows the path for a KVL equation around the *supermesh*.

Example:

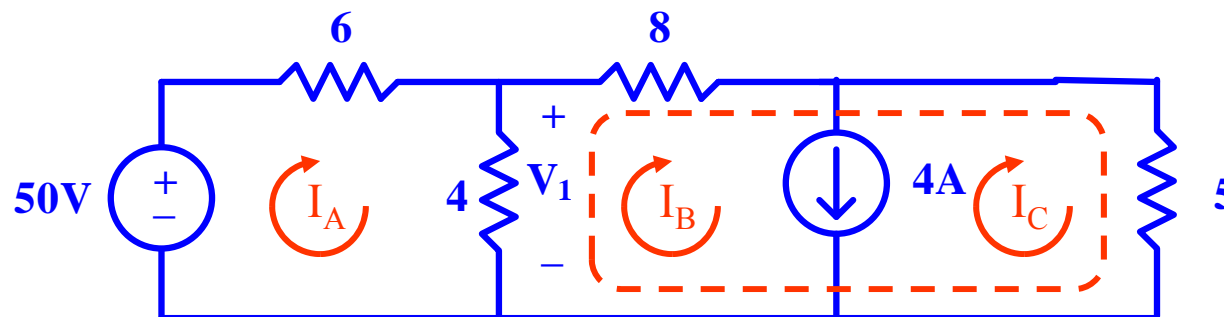
- 1) Note that the following circuit has an internal current source, so a supermesh is required.



- 2) The supermesh is the new, larger mesh created by removing the current source (as shown on the following page).



- 3) Note that the supermesh defines a path for a KVL equation. No new mesh current is defined.
- 4) Also note that the internal current source can be used to form a relationship between currents I_B and I_C . In general, this is referred to as the **supermesh relationship**.



Supermesh
relationship:
$$I_B - I_C = 4$$

Case 2:

Current source exists between two meshes, a **Super mesh** is obtained.

Mesh analysis: with current sources

KVL for mesh (2):

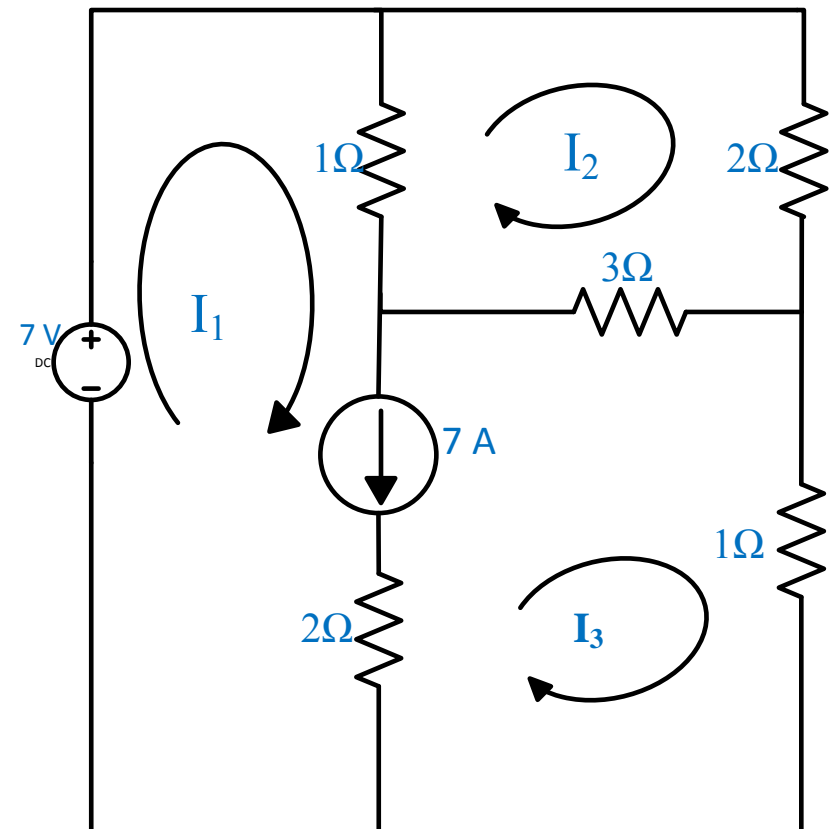
$$0 = 6I_2 - I_1 - 3I_3$$

Constrain equation:

$$I_1 - I_3 = 7$$

Super mesh equation:

$$7 = I_1 + 4I_3 - 4I_2$$



Figur:7 mesh with current sources

KVL for mesh (1):

$$-7 + 1(I_1 - I_2) + V + 2(I_1 - I_3) = 0$$

$$7 = 1(I_1 - I_2) + V + 2(I_1 - I_3) \quad (1)$$

KVL for mesh (3):

$$3(I_3 - I_2) + I_3 + 2(I_3 - I_1) - V = 0$$

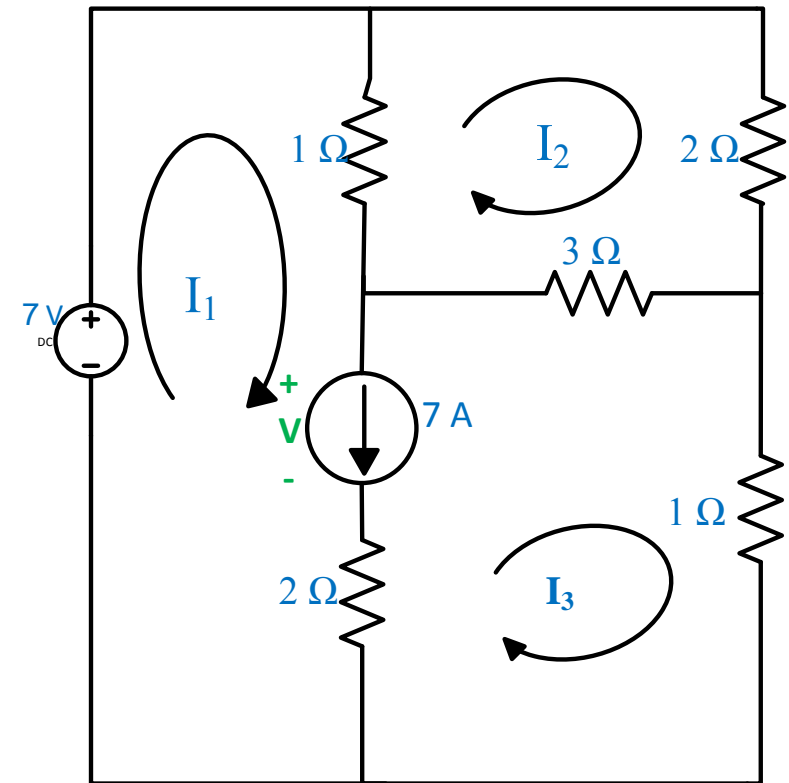
$$-2I_1 - 3I_2 + 6I_3 - V = 0 \quad (2)$$

Adding (1) & (2):

$$I_1 - 4I_2 + 4I_3 = 7$$

$$7 = 3I_1 - I_2 - 2I_3 + V \quad (1)$$

$$0 = -2I_1 - 3I_2 + 6I_3 - V \quad (2)$$



Figur8:mesh with current sourcee.

Mesh Analysis with dependent sources

KVL for mesh (2):

$$1(I_2 - I_1) + 2I_2 + 3(I_2 - I_3) = 0$$

$$-I_1 + 6I_2 - 3I_3 = 0$$

Constrain equation:

$$I_1 = 15 A$$

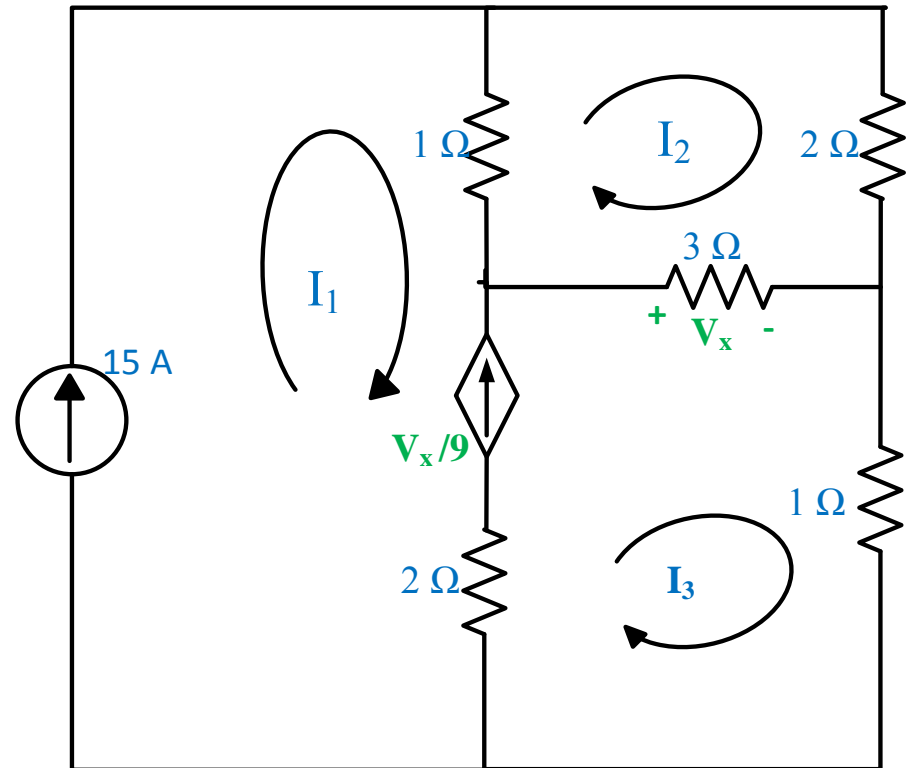
Constrain equation:

$$I_3 - I_1 = \frac{v_x}{9}$$

$$v_x = 3(I_3 - I_2)$$

$$\blacklozenge I_1 = 15 A; I_2 = 11 A$$

$$I_3 = 17 A$$

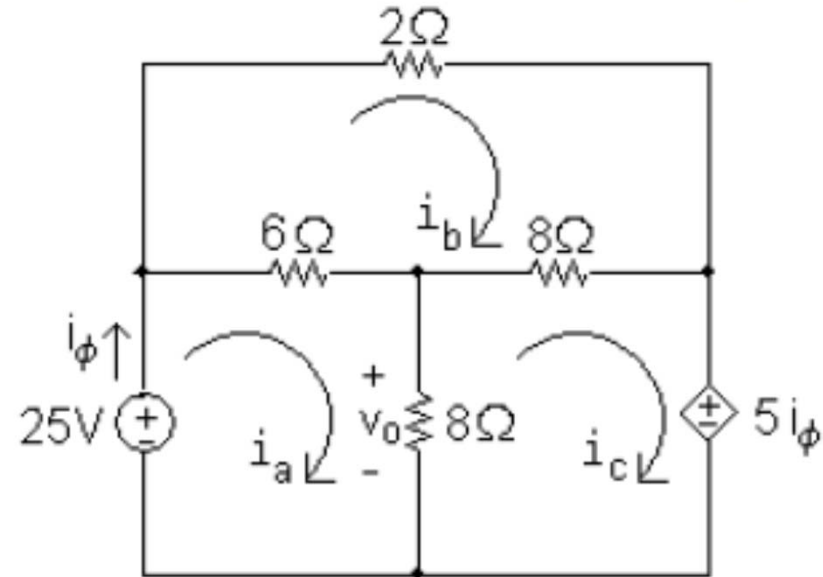


Figur:9 mesh with dependant current source.

Node or mesh: How to choose?

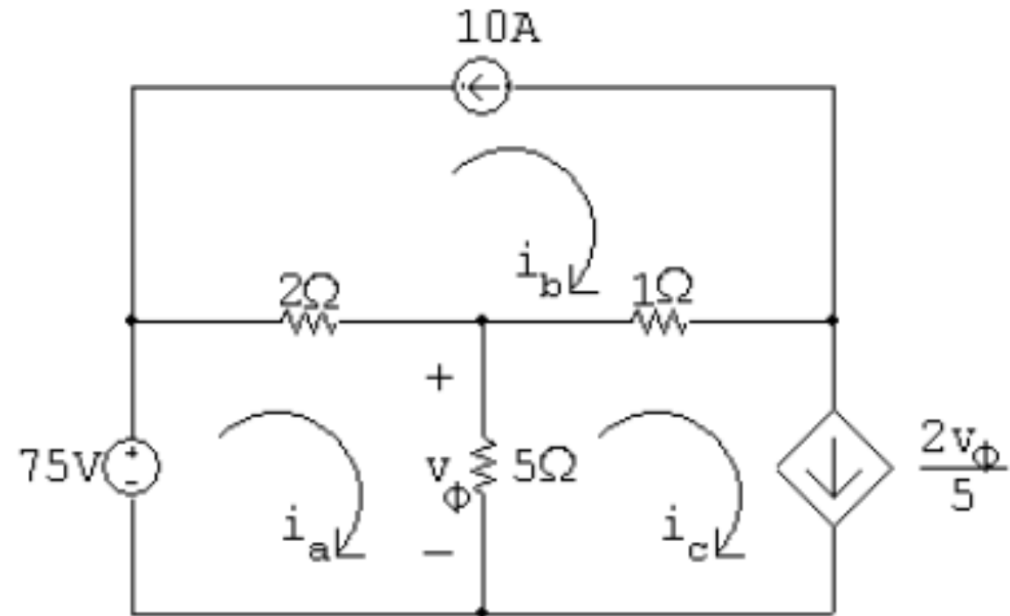
- Use the one with fewer equations.
- Use the method you like best.

Assessment 4.9: Use the mesh-current method to find v_o in the circuit shown.



Answer: 16V

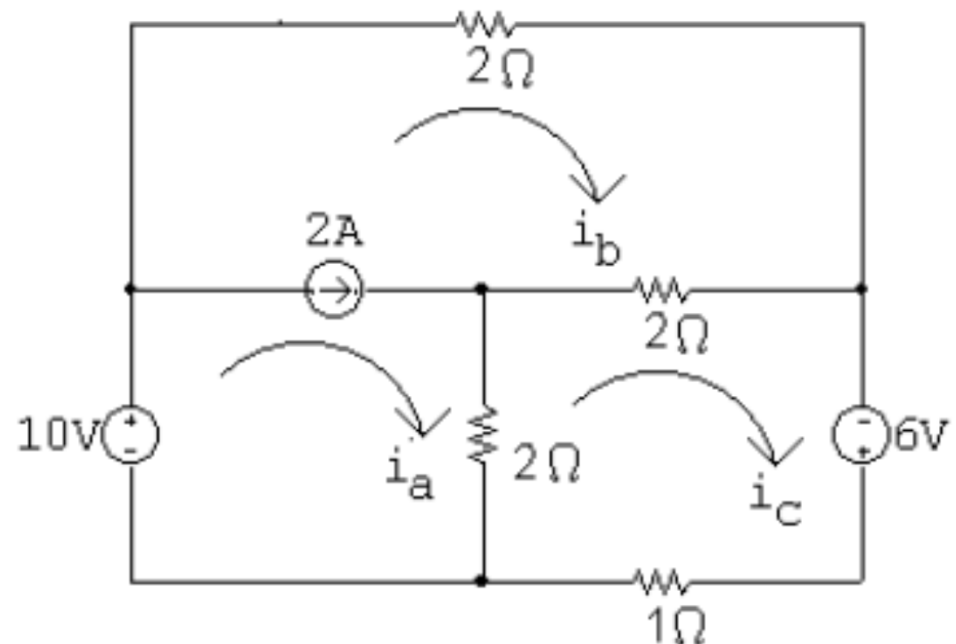
Assessment 4.11: Use the mesh-current method to find *mesh current* i_a



Answer: 15A

Assessment 4.12:

- Use the mesh-current method to find how much power the 4 A current source delivers to the circuit
- Find the total power delivered to the circuit.
- Check your calculations by showing that the total power developed in the circuit equals the total power dissipated

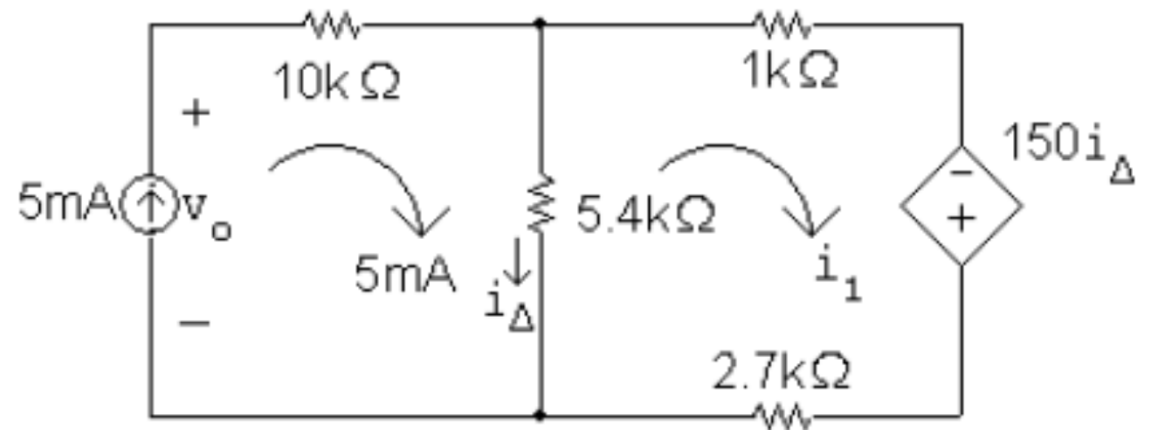


Answer: a) -162.92 W

b) 518.52 W

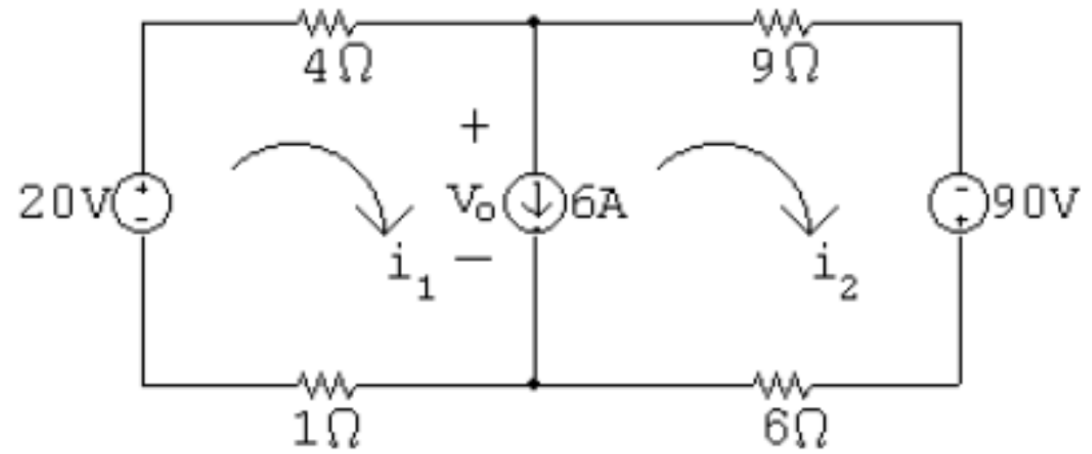
Problem 4.44:

- Use the mesh-current method to solve for i_{Δ}
- Find the power delivered by the independent current source.
- Find the power delivered by the dependent voltage source.



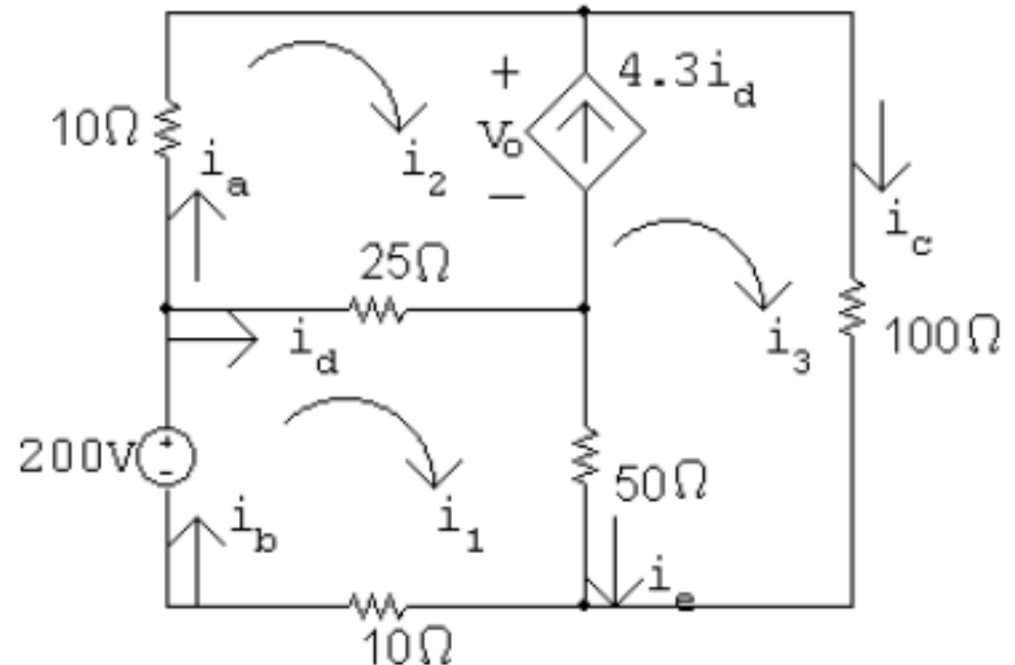
- Answer: a) $i_{\Delta} = 2\text{mA}$
 b) 304 mW
 c) 0.9 mW

Problem 4.48: Use the mesh-current method to find the total power dissipated in the circuit



Answer: 740 W

Problem 4.51: Use the mesh-current method to find the branch currents in i_a — i_e in the circuit



Answer: $i_a = i_2 = 5.7 \text{ A}; \quad i_b = i_1 = 4.6 \text{ A}$

$$i_c = i_3 = 0.97 \text{ A}; \quad i_d = i_1 - i_2 = -1.1 \text{ A}$$

$$i_e = i_1 - i_3 = 3.63 \text{ A}$$

Solution of simultaneous equations

- Solve the following

$$21i_1 - 9i_2 - 12i_3 = -33,$$

$$-3i_1 + 6i_2 - 2i_3 = 3,$$

$$-8i_1 - 4i_2 + 22i_3 = 50.$$

- Use Cramer's rule

$$x_k = \frac{N_k}{\Delta}.$$

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 21 & -9 & -12 \\ -3 & 6 & -2 \\ -8 & -4 & 22 \end{vmatrix}$$

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$$\Delta = 21(1) \begin{vmatrix} 6 & -2 \\ -4 & 22 \end{vmatrix} - 3(-1) \begin{vmatrix} -9 & -12 \\ -4 & 22 \end{vmatrix} - 8(1) \begin{vmatrix} -9 & -12 \\ 6 & -2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\Delta = 21(132 - 8) + 3(-198 - 48) - 8(18 + 72)$$

$$= 2604 - 738 - 720 = 1146.$$

$$N_1 = \begin{vmatrix} -33 & -9 & -12 \\ 3 & 6 & -2 \\ 50 & -4 & 22 \end{vmatrix},$$

$$N_1 = 1146,$$

$$N_2 = \begin{vmatrix} 21 & -33 & -12 \\ -3 & 3 & -2 \\ -8 & 50 & 22 \end{vmatrix},$$

$$N_2 = 2292,$$

$$N_3 = \begin{vmatrix} 21 & -9 & -33 \\ -3 & 6 & 3 \\ -8 & -4 & 50 \end{vmatrix}.$$

$$N_3 = 3438.$$

$$i_1 = \frac{N_1}{\Delta} = 1 \text{ A},$$

$$i_2 = \frac{N_2}{\Delta} = 2 \text{ A},$$

$$i_3 = \frac{N_3}{\Delta} = 3 \text{ A}.$$