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**University of Portland  
School of Engineering**

**EE 261-Electrical Circuits-3 cr. hrs.  
Spring 2007**

**Midterm Exam # 2**

(Monday, March 26, 2007)

(Closed Book Exam, Two Formula Sheets Allowed)

(Total Time: 55 minutes)

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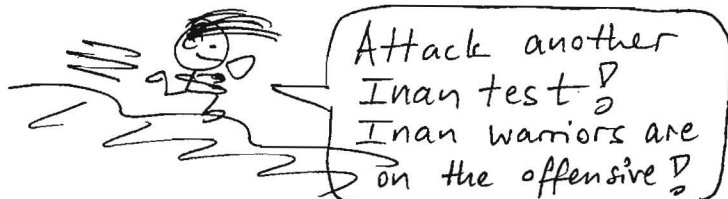
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***"An honest mind possesses a kingdom."***

**Lucius Annaeus Seneca (4B.C.–65A.D.)**

***"Honest people are the true winners of the universe."***

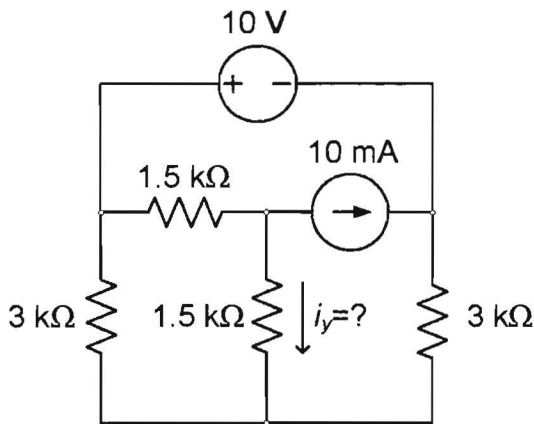
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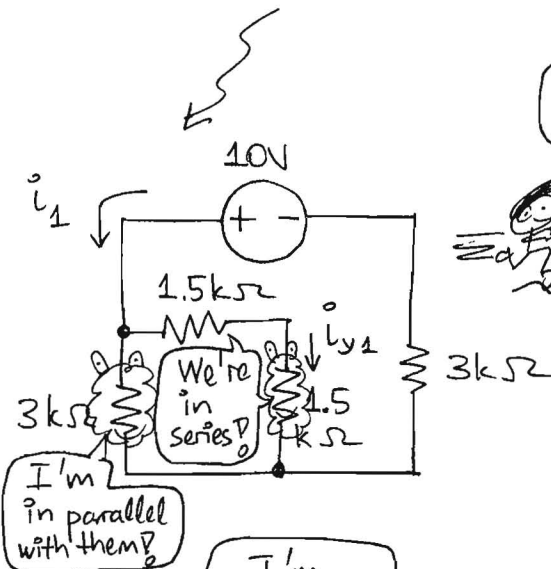


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2. (25 points) In the circuit shown, find the current  $i_y$  through the  $1.5\text{ k}\Omega$  resistor. Please show your work step by step.

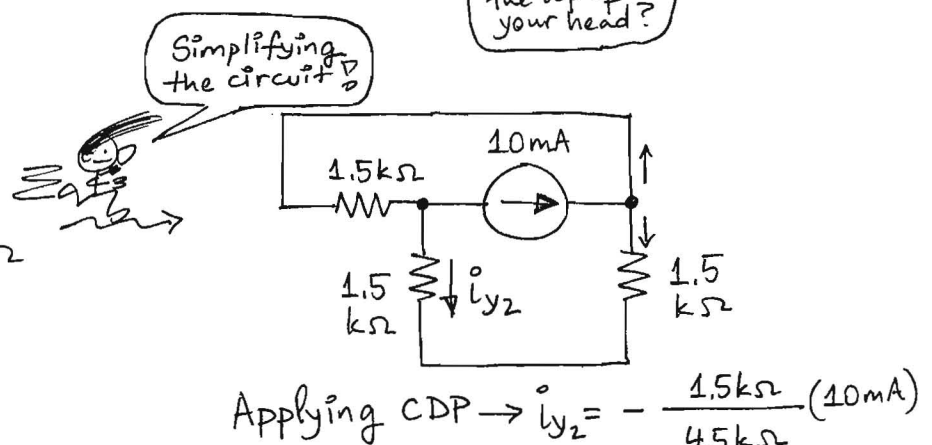
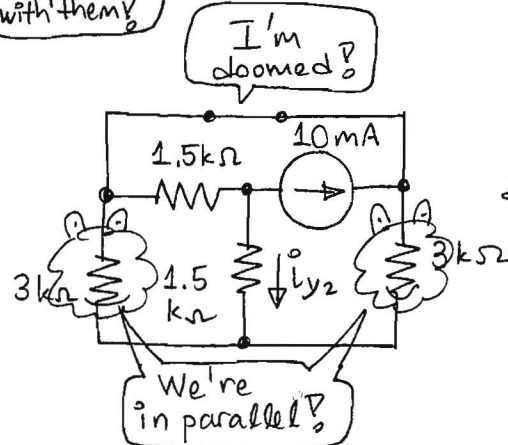
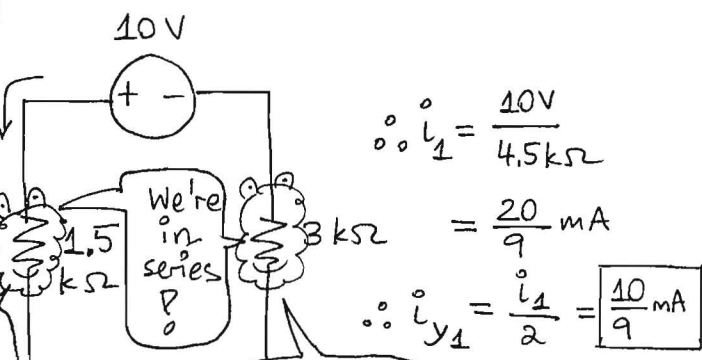


Apply superposition principle!  
Short the voltage source and open the current source!



My mouth should have been at the top!

How can you talk from the top of your head?



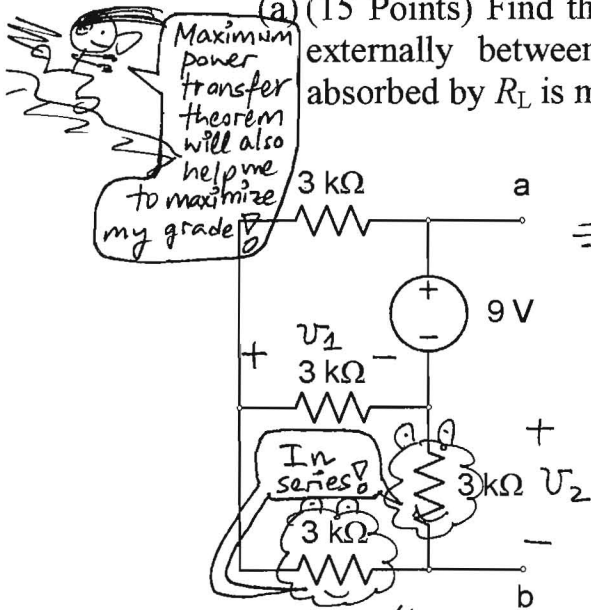
$i_y = i_{y1} + i_{y2} = \frac{10}{9} - \frac{10}{3} = -\frac{20}{9}\text{ mA} \approx -2.22\text{ mA}$

Piece of cake for Inan students!

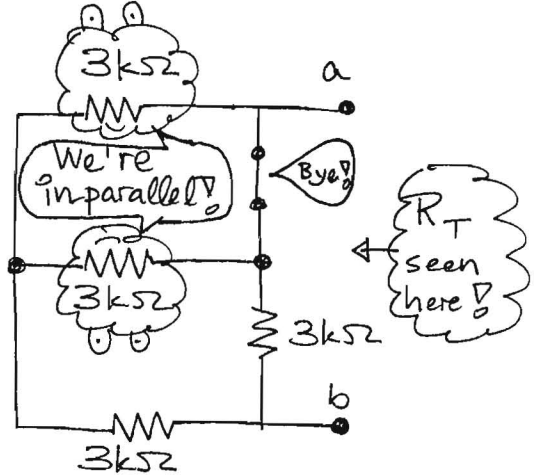
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3. (Total: 25 points) Consider the circuit shown below.

(a) (15 Points) Find the value of the load resistance  $R_L$  to be connected externally between terminals "a" and "b" such that the power absorbed by  $R_L$  is maximized.



Finding Thevenin resistance?



$$R_T = (3k\Omega) \parallel (4.5k\Omega) = 1.8k\Omega$$

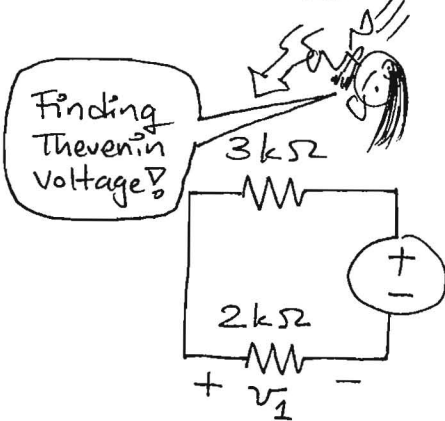
$$\therefore R_L = R_T = 1.8k\Omega$$

Using VDP:

$$V_1 = \frac{2k\Omega}{2k\Omega + 3k\Omega} (9V) = 3.6V$$

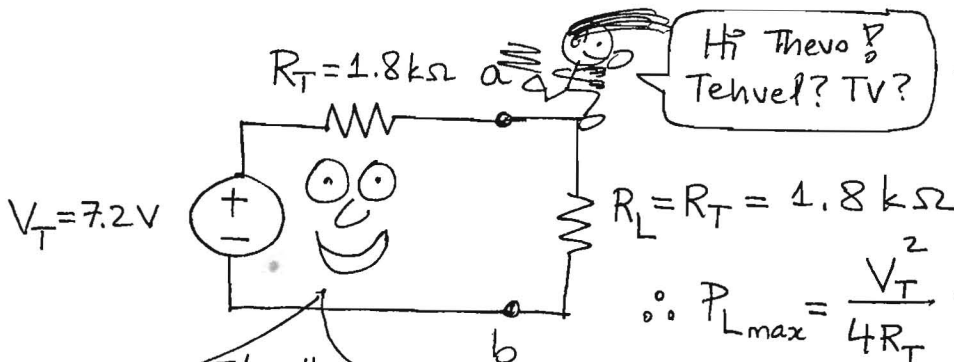
$$V_2 = -\frac{3k\Omega}{3k\Omega + 3k\Omega} (3.6V) = -1.8V$$

$$\therefore V_T = V_{oc} = 9 + V_2 = 9 - 1.8 = 7.2V$$



Thanks maximum power transfer theorem!

(b) (10 Points) Find the maximum value of the power absorbed by  $R_L$ .



$$\therefore P_{Lmax} = \frac{V_T^2}{4R_T} = \frac{(7.2)^2}{4(1.8k\Omega)}$$

$$= 7.2mW$$

I'm the Thevenin circuit!

Life is much easier with the Thevenin circuit!

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4. (25 points) In the circuit shown, both the source voltage and the source current are given. Assuming all capacitors to have the same value, what is  $C$ ? (Note: Show all the steps in your solution and please provide the appropriate unit for your answer.)

$i_s(t) = 4 \cos(3 \times 10^6 t)$  (mA) mili!  
 $v_s(t) = 10 \sin(3 \times 10^6 t)$  (V)

$\frac{C_1 C_2}{C_1 + C_2}$  when in series,  
 $C_1 + C_2$  when in parallel...

$i_s(t)$   
 $v_s(t)$

Keep combining...

$v_s(t)$

$\frac{5C}{3} = C_{eq}$

Since  $i_s(t) = C_{eq} \frac{dv_s(t)}{dt}$ , we have

$4 \cos(3 \times 10^6 t) \underbrace{(10^{-3})}_{\text{mili!}} = \frac{5C}{3} (3 \times 10^6) (10 \cos(3 \times 10^6 t))$

$\rightarrow C = 0.8 \times 10^{-10} \text{ F} = \boxed{80 \text{ pF}}$

Finitooo!

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