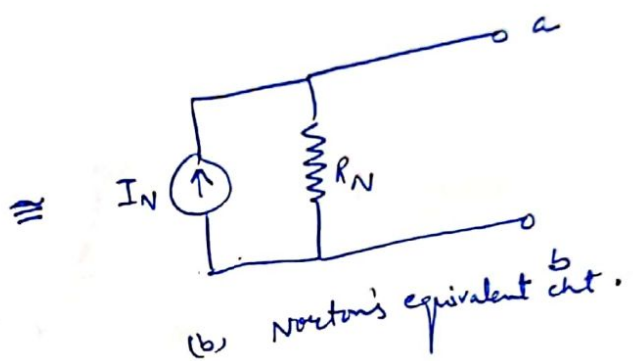


Norton's Theorem

Statement: The theorem states that a linear two-terminal circuit can be replaced by an equivalent circuit consisting of a current source (I_N) in parallel with a resistor (R_N), where I_N is the short circuit current through the terminals and R_N is the input or equivalent resistance at the terminals when the independent sources are turned off.



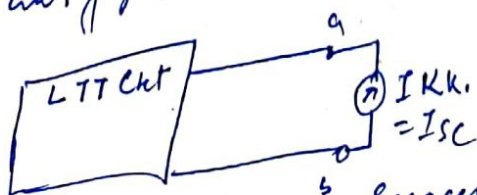
How to get I_N & R_N ?

R_N is found in the same way as R_{th} . They are in fact equal.

$$R_N = R_{th}$$

To find I_N ; we short ckt the two terminals and find the current through this short ckt. element flowing from a to b. The short ckt current from a to b is I_N .

$$I_{sc} = I_N$$



However dependent sources are to be kept intact as were needed a super.

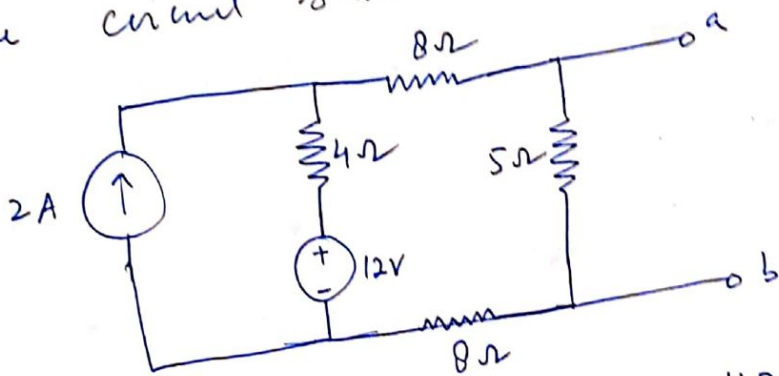
Also while observing close relationship w/ Norton's theorem, we have,

$$R_N = R_{Th} ; \therefore$$

$$I_N = \frac{V_{Th}}{R_{Th}}$$

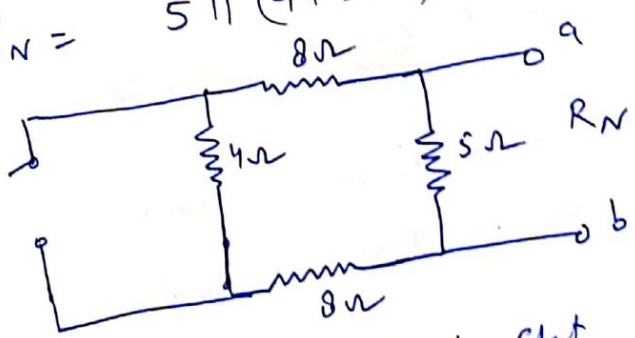
This is essentially the source transformation. This source transformation is also called Norton's theorem transformation.

Example:- Find the Norton equivalent circuit of the circuit shown below at terminals a-b.



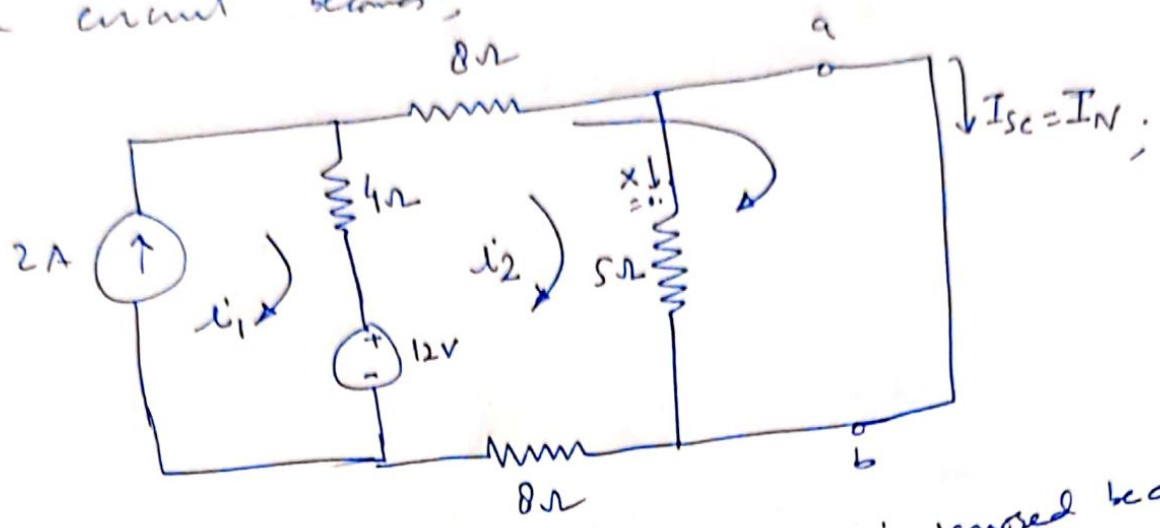
Sol.

$$R_N = 5 \parallel (4 + 8 + 8) = 5 \parallel 20 = \frac{5 \times 20}{25} = 4 \Omega ;$$



Next is to find short ckt current $I_N (I_{sc})$.

The circuit becomes;



$i_1 = 2A$

The resistor 5Ω is ignored because its two terminals are short-circuited, there is no current flow through it.

Mesh 2. $-4i_1 + (8 + 8 + 4)i_2 = 12$

$20i_2 - 4i_1 = 12$

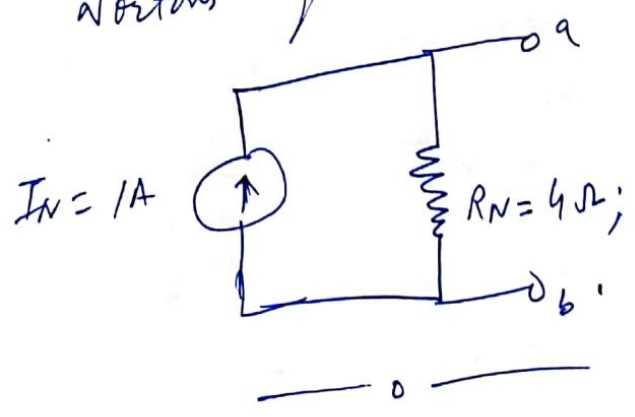
$20i_2 - 4 \times 2 = 12$

$20i_2 = 20$

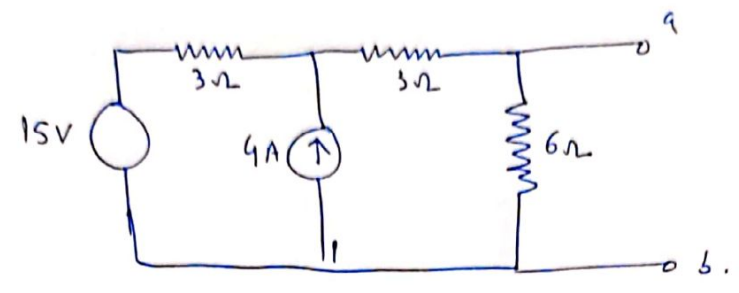
$i_2 = 1A$

Thus short-circuit current $I_N = I_{sc} = i_2 = 1A$;

Thus Norton's equivalent circuit will look like as

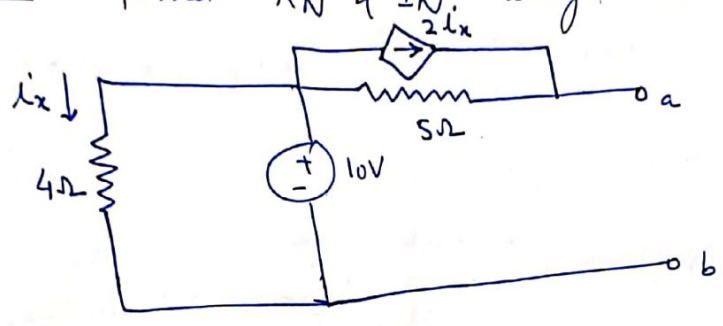


Exp Find the Norton equivalent circuit for the figure shown below across a & b terminals.

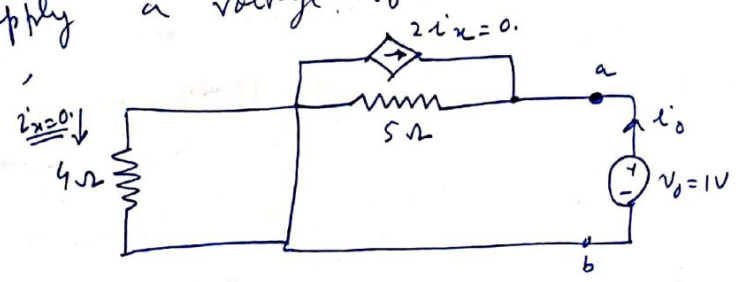


$R_N = 3\Omega$
 $I_N = 4.5A$

Expl Find R_N & I_N using Norton's theorem.

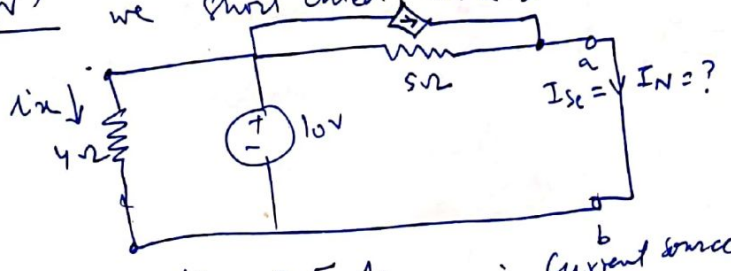


Sol. To find R_N we short cut 10V source and let us apply a voltage V_0 across a & b ($=1V$), the current we get is,



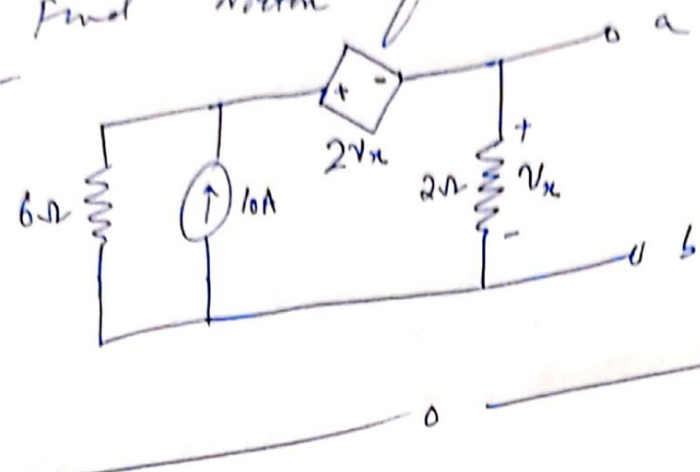
4Ω is short-circuited, thus ignore it; $I_0 = \frac{1}{5} = 0.2A$;
 $\therefore R_N = \frac{V_0}{I_0} = \frac{1}{0.2} = 5\Omega$.

I_N we short-circuited terminals a & b and redraw the circuit as;



$I_{ix} = \frac{10}{4} = 2.5A$; \therefore Current source current $= 2I_x = 2 \times 2.5 = 5A$.
 KCL at a; $5A + \frac{10}{5} - I_N = 0$; $I_N = 2 + 5 = 7A$.

Example:- Find Norton equivalent of the following circuit:-



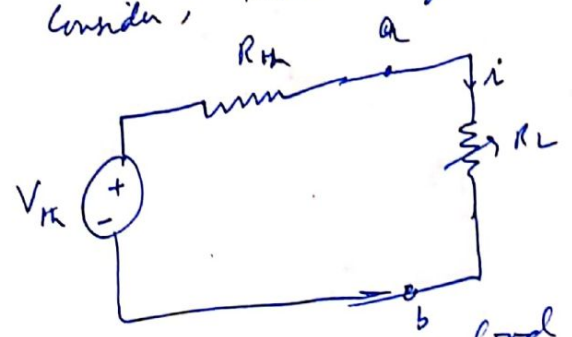
$$R_N = 1 \Omega$$

$$I_N = 10 A$$

Maximum Power Transfer Theorem

We know, a circuit is designed to provide power to a load. we have applications where internal resistance losses are very significant in delivering power to a load.

The Thevenin equivalent is useful in finding the maximum power a linear circuit can deliver to a load. we assume that load resistance R_L can be adjusted; Consider, Thevenin equivalent circuit.



The power delivered to load $P_L = i^2 R_L$;

where
$$i = \left(\frac{V_{th}}{R_{th} + R_L} \right)$$
;

$$\therefore \text{load power } P_L = \frac{V_{th}^2}{(R_{th} + R_L)^2} \cdot R_L$$

$$P_L = \frac{V_{th}^2 R_L}{(R_{th} + R_L)^2}$$

Thus the load power varies as R_L . In order to find max. power, we diff P_L w.r.t. R_L and equal result $= 0$;

$$\frac{dP_L}{dR_L} = V_{th}^2 \left[\frac{(R_{th} + R_L)^2 \cdot 1 - 2(R_{th} + R_L) \cdot R_L}{(R_{th} + R_L)^4} \right] = 0;$$

$$\frac{V_{th}^2}{(R_{th} + R_L)^2} \left[R_{th}^2 + R_L^2 + 2R_{th}R_L - 2R_{th}R_L - 2R_L^2 \right] = 0.$$

$$\text{we get } R_{th}^2 - R_L^2 = 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{R_{th} = R_L}$$

Thus the value of load resistance R_L which gives maximum power across R_L is that $\boxed{R_L = R_{th}}$.

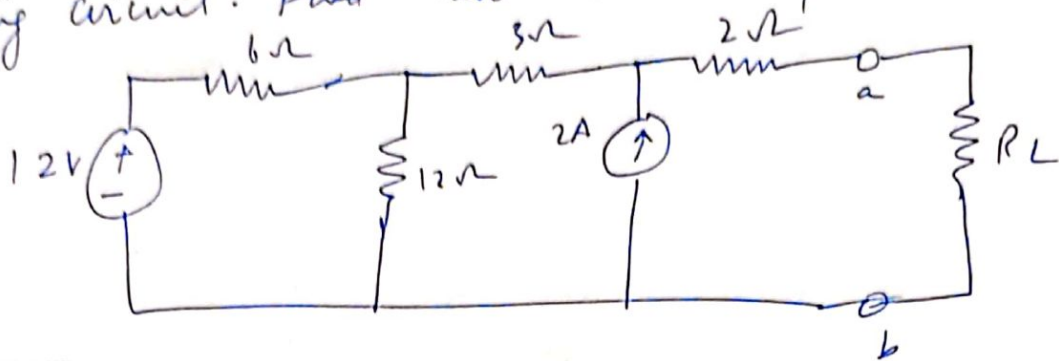
now let us find max. power;

$$P_{L \text{ max}} = \frac{(V_{th})^2 \cdot R_{th}}{(R_{th} + R_{th})^2} = \frac{V_{th}^2 \cdot R_{th}}{4R_{th}^2}$$

$$\boxed{P_{\text{max}} = \frac{V_{th}^2}{4R_{th}}}$$

$$\text{or } \boxed{P_{\text{max}} = \frac{V_{th}^2}{4R_L}}$$

Exple Find the value of R_L for maximum power in the following circuit. Find also maximum power.



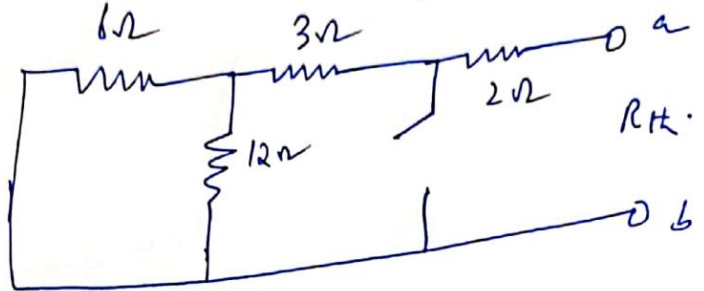
R_{th}

$$R_{th} = 2 + 3 + 6 \parallel 12$$

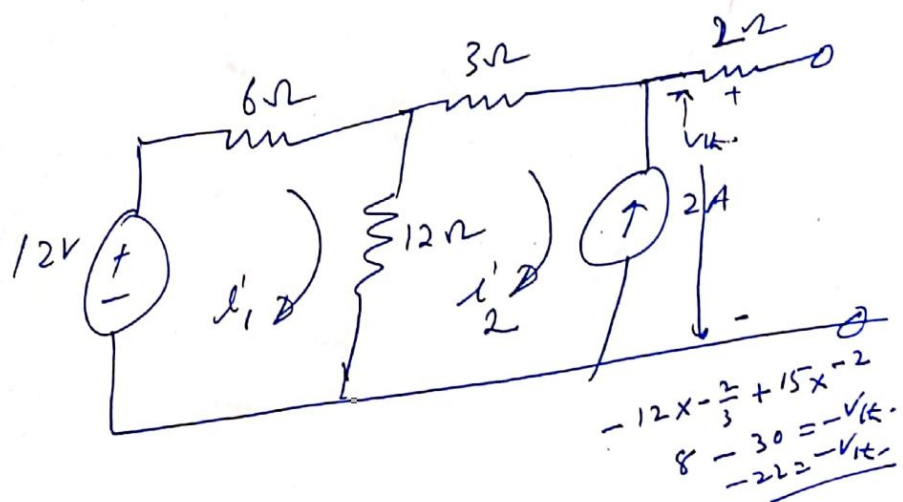
$$= 5 + \frac{8 \times 12}{18}$$

$$= 5 + 4$$

$$R_{th} = 9\Omega$$



V_{th}



$$i_2 = -2A$$

Mesh 1

$$18i_1 - 12i_2 = 12$$

$$18i_1 - 12(-2) = 12$$

$$18i_1 + 24 = 12$$

$$18i_1 = -12$$

$$i_1 = \frac{-12}{18} = -\frac{2}{3}A$$

Mesh 2

$$-12i_1 + 15i_2 = -V_{th}$$

$$12 - 6i_1 - 3i_2 - V_{th} = 0$$

$$V_{th} = 12 - 6\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right) - 3(-2)$$

$$= 12 + 4 + 6$$

$$V_{th} = 22V$$

for max power $R_L = R_{th} = 9\Omega$;

$$Max. power P_{max} = \frac{V_{th}^2}{4R_L} = \frac{(22)^2}{4 \times 9} = 13.44W$$