

# **ECE 205 “Electrical and Electronics Circuits”**

**Spring 2024 – LECTURE 8**

MWF – 12:00pm

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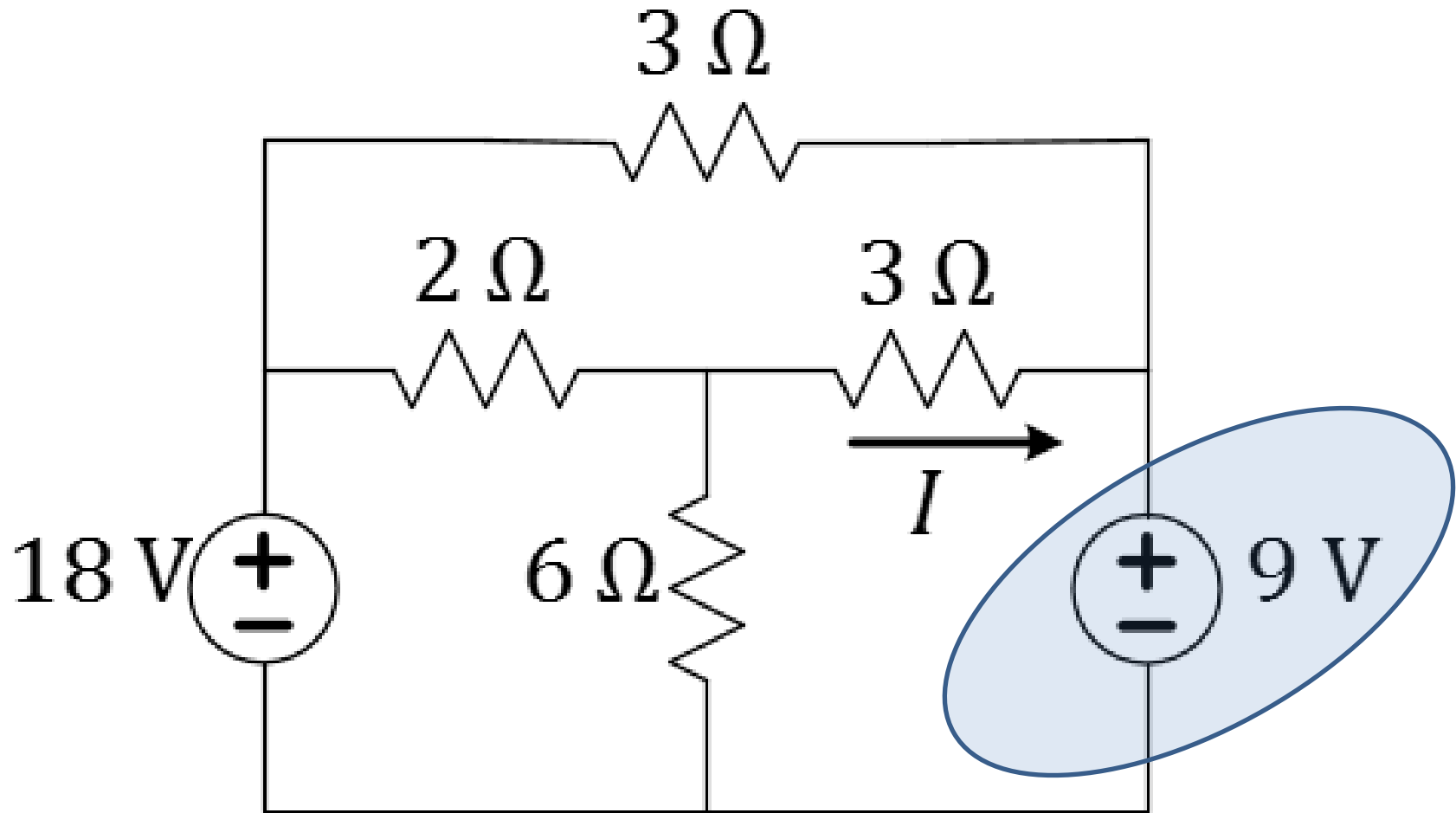
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# Lecture 8 – Summary

## Learning Objectives

1. More practice with the node analysis method to compute node voltages
2. Supernodes
3. Introduce concept of equivalent circuit

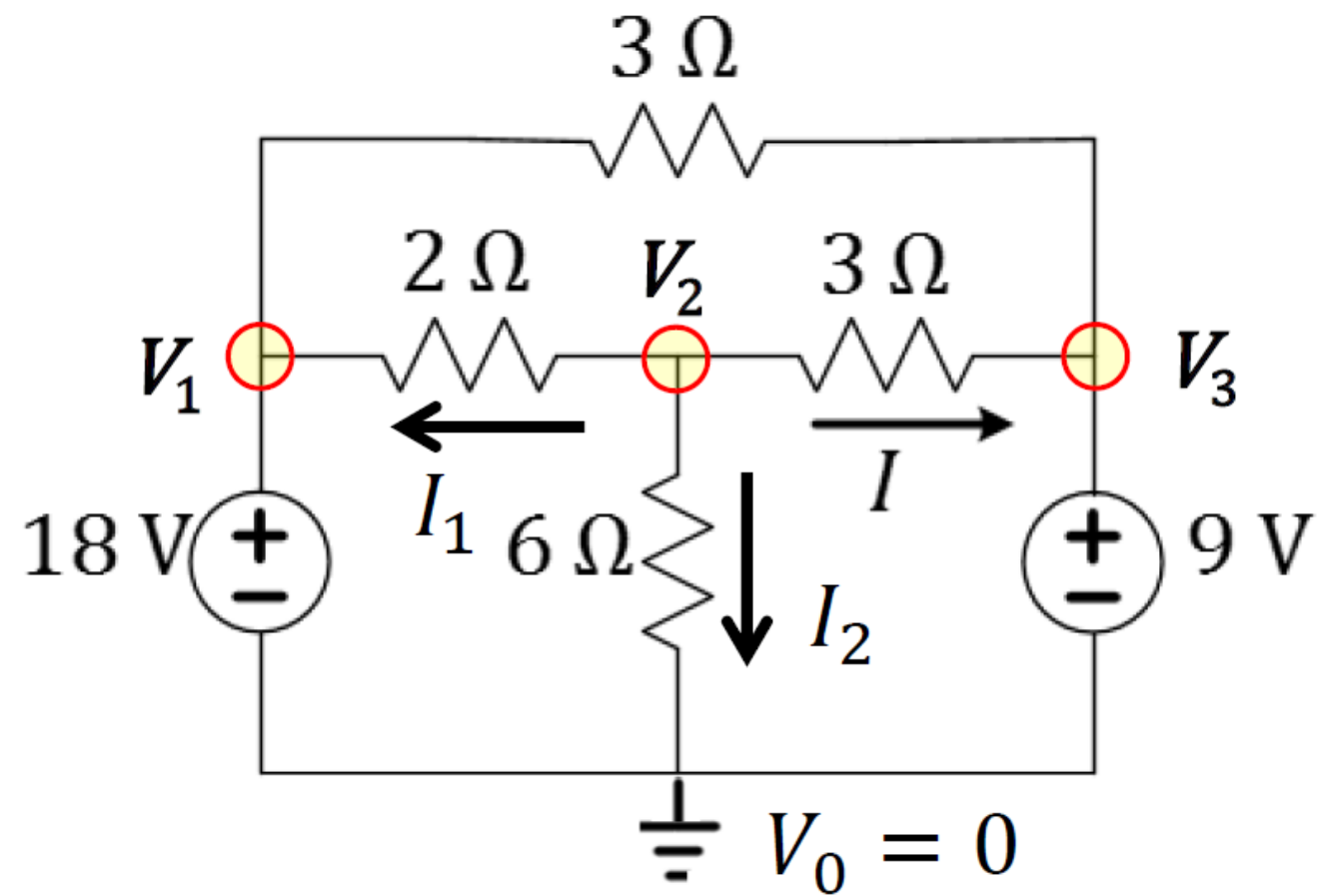
# Find the labelled current $I$



Now there is a second voltage source in this branch. Node voltage analysis is a good approach.

**In this example and in the following ones, we are going to specify fixed references for the currents in each of the circuit branches.**

**As mentioned earlier, this is a good approach for implementation of computer circuit solution using algorithms based on linear algebra.**



$$I_1 = \frac{V_2 - V_1}{2}$$

$$I_2 = \frac{V_2 - V_0}{6}$$

$$I = \frac{V_2 - V_3}{3}$$

Ground reference – zero potential

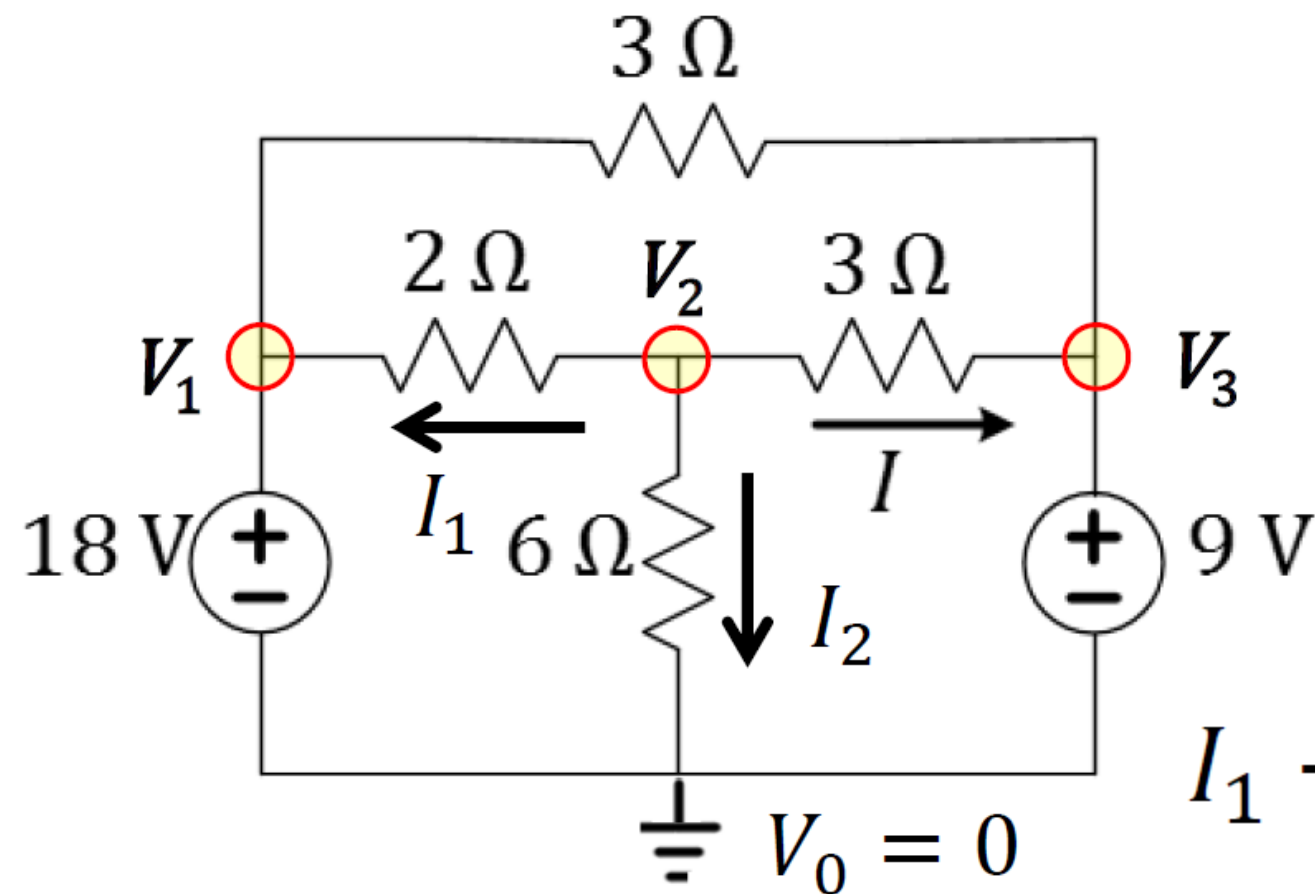
KCL – node 2

$$I_1 + I_2 + I = 0$$

By inspection

$$V_1 = 18V$$

$$V_3 = 9V$$



$$I_1 + I_2 + I = 0$$

$$\frac{V_2 - 18}{2} + \frac{V_2}{6} + \frac{V_2 - 9}{3} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{V_2}{2} + \frac{V_2}{6} + \frac{V_2}{3} = 12$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{3V_2}{6} + \frac{V_2}{6} + \frac{2V_2}{6} = 12 \Rightarrow V_2 = 12V$$

By inspection

$$V_1 = 18V$$

$$V_3 = 9V$$

$$V_2 = 12V$$

$$I_1 + I_2 + I = 0$$

$$I_1 = \frac{12 - 18}{2} = -3A$$

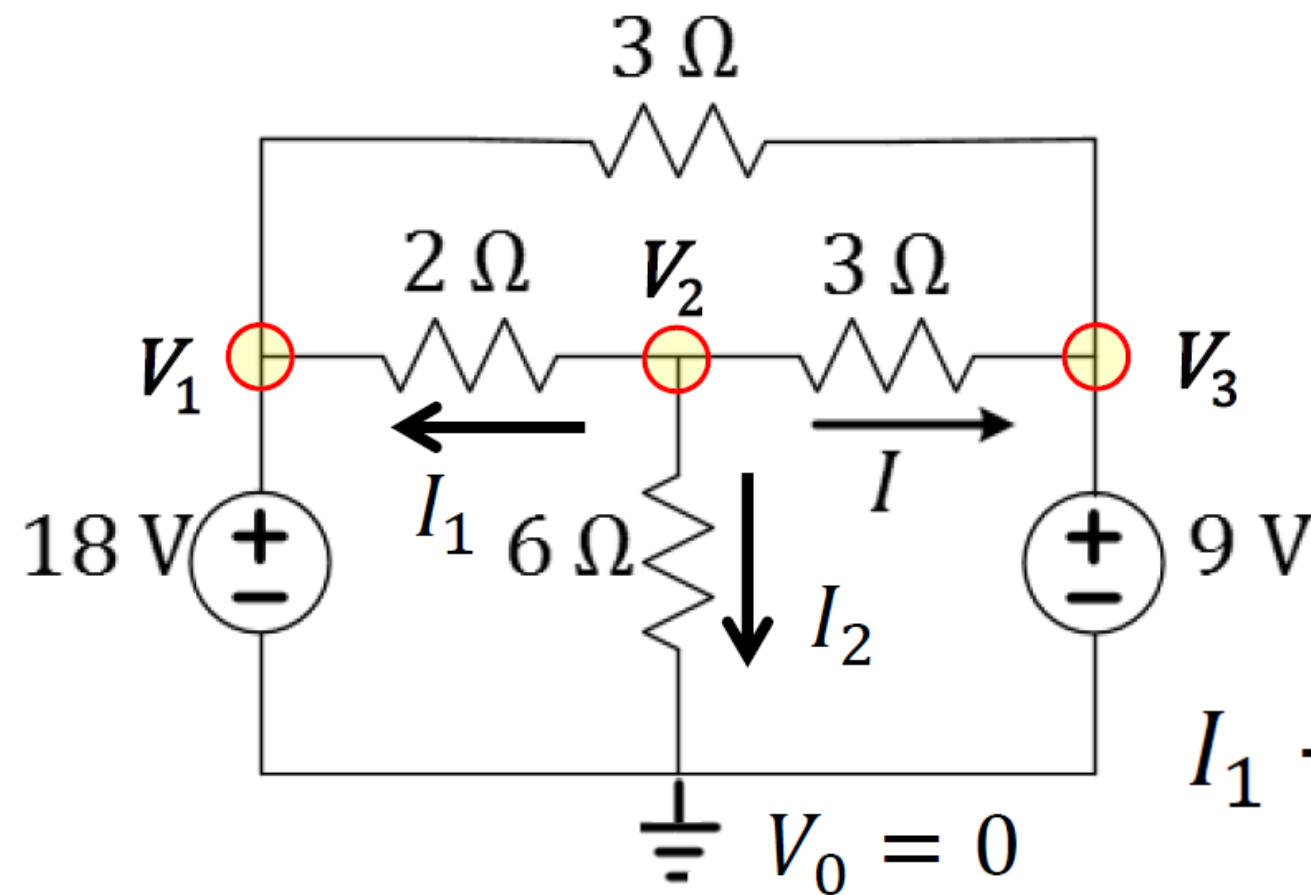
$$I_2 = \frac{12}{6} = 2A$$

Ohm's Law

$$I = \frac{12 - 9}{3} = 1A$$

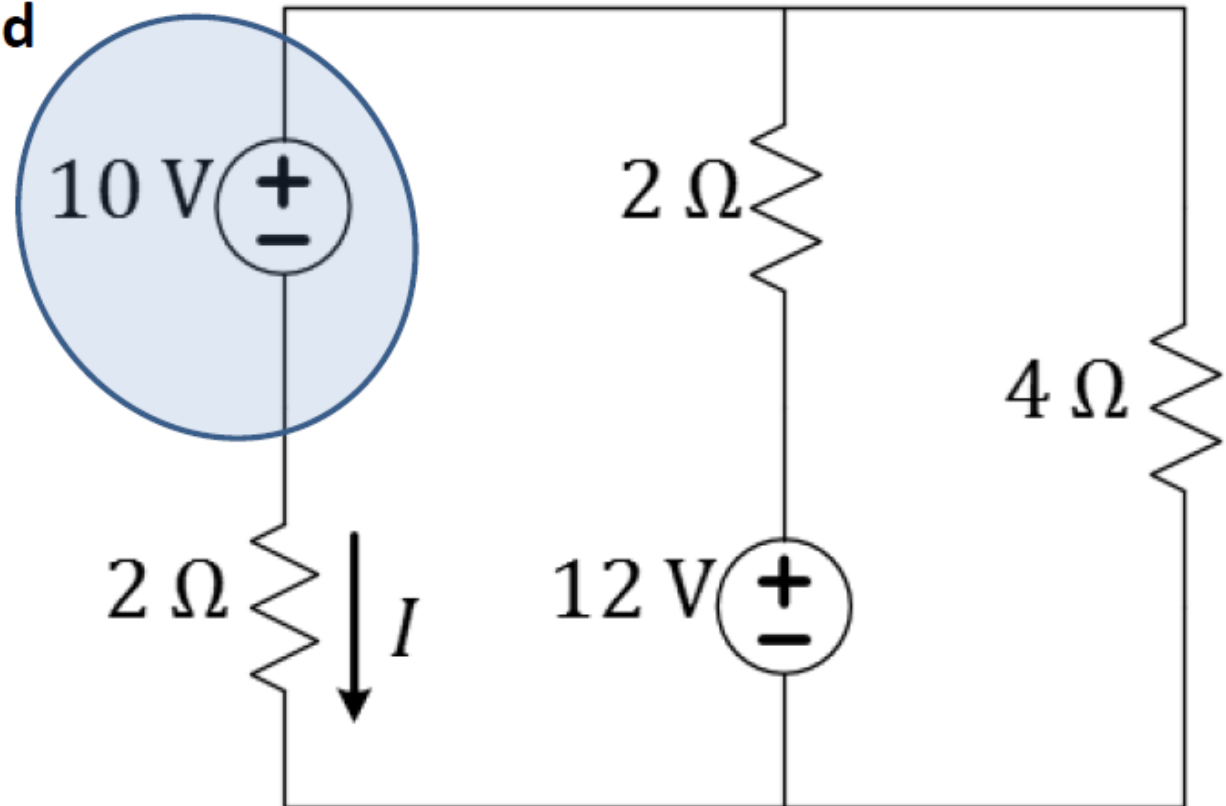
KCL

$$I = 3A - 2A = 1A$$



# Floating voltage source

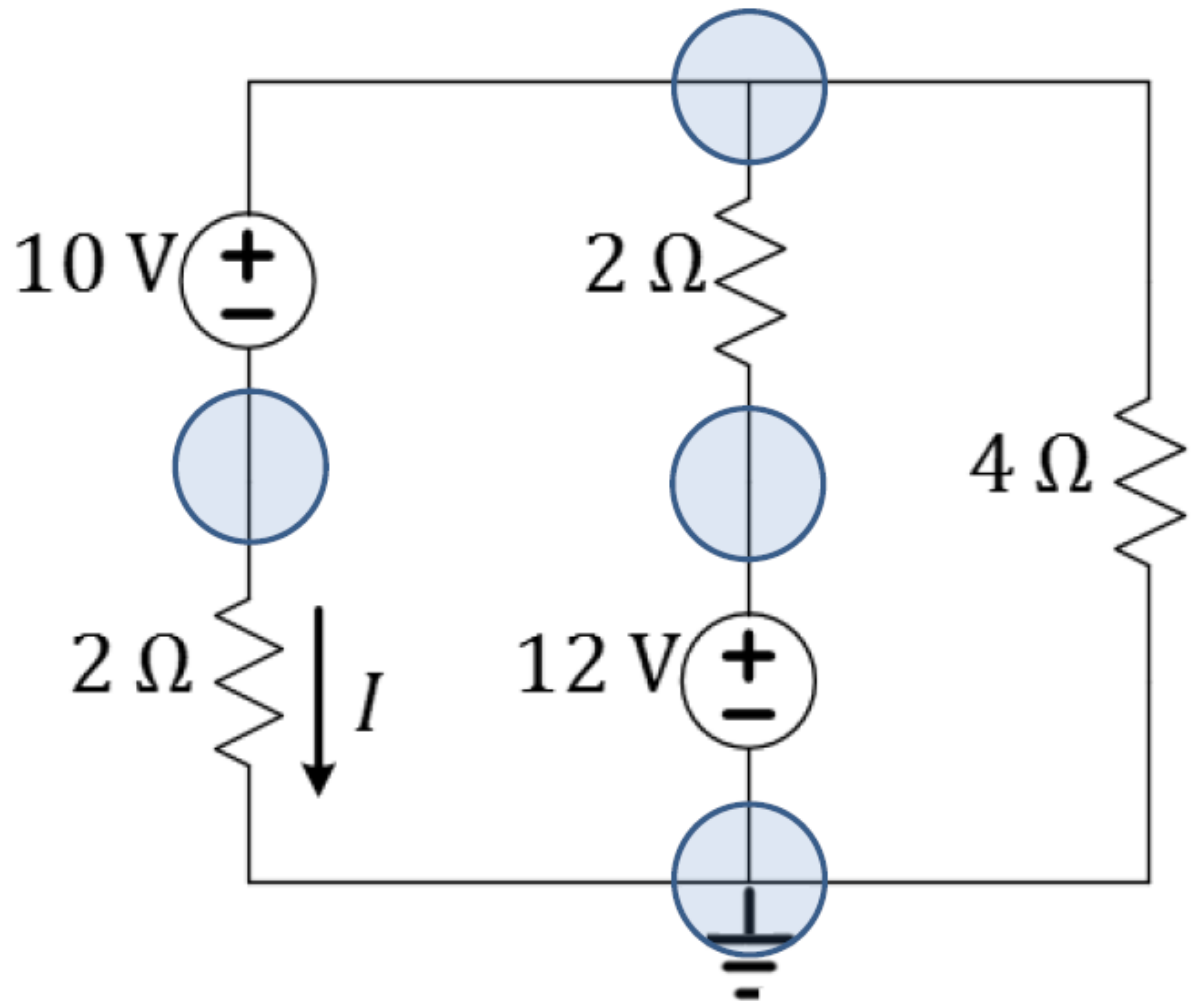
Not connected  
to ground





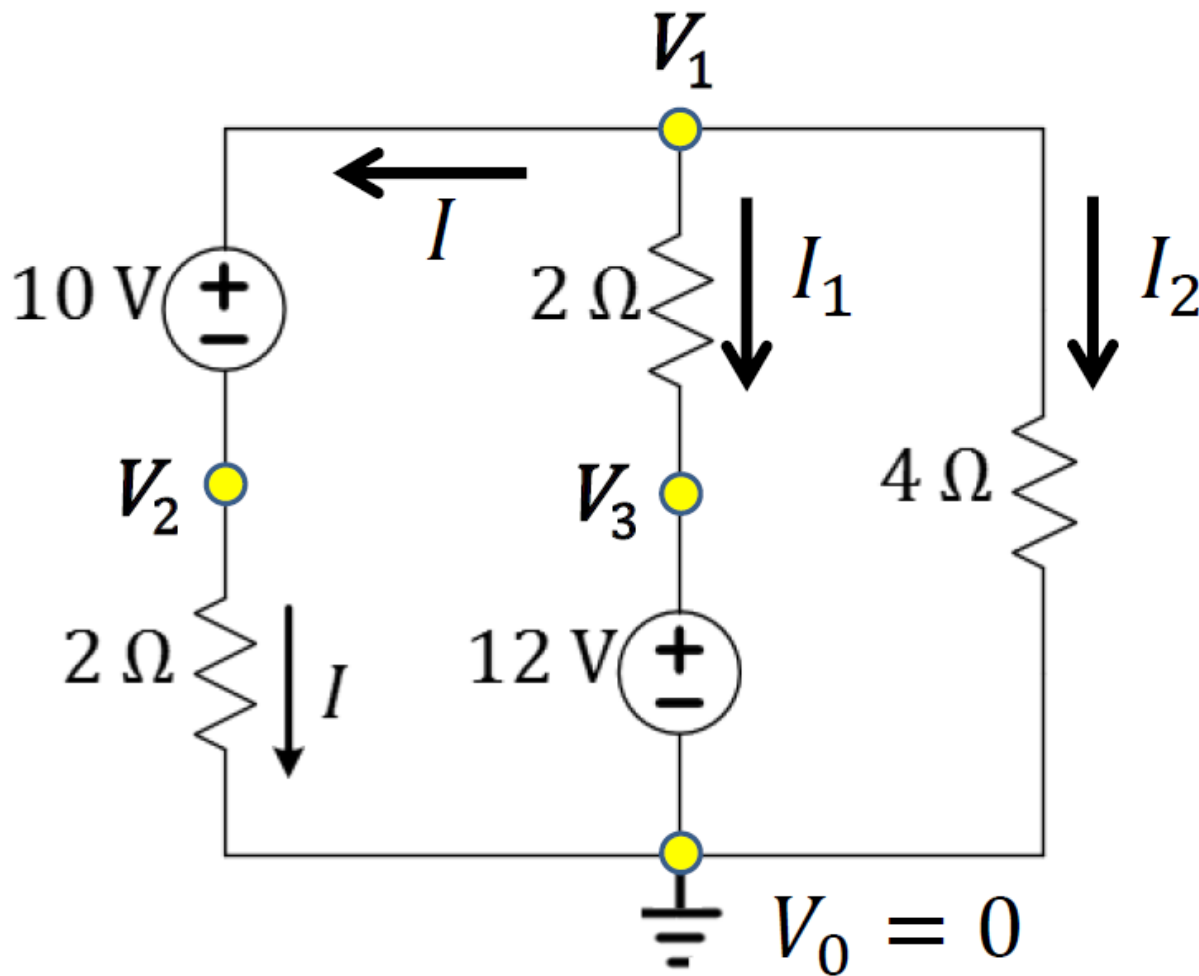
# Find Current $I$

4 nodes



KCL – node 1

$$I_1 + I_2 + I = 0$$



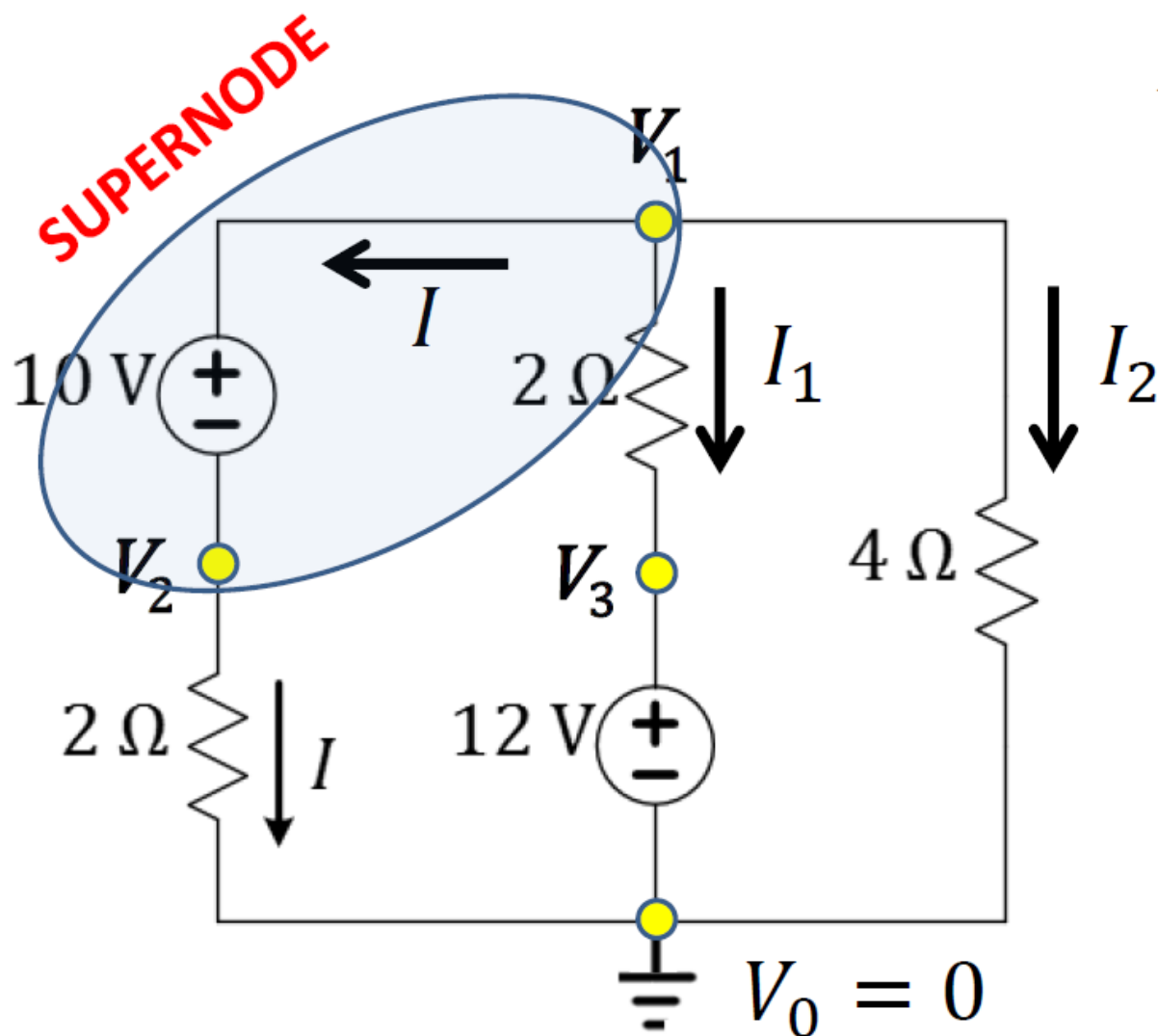
$$I_1 = \frac{V_1 - V_3}{2}$$

$$I_2 = \frac{V_1 - V_0}{4}$$

$$I = \frac{V_2 - V_0}{2}$$

$$V_2 = V_1 - 10$$

$$V_3 = 12V$$



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**KCL - node 1**  $I_1 + I_2 + I = 0$

$$\frac{V_1 - 12}{2} + \frac{V_1}{4} + \frac{V_2}{2} = 0$$

$$-12 + \frac{3V_1}{2} + V_2 = 0$$

$$-12 + \frac{3V_1}{2} + V_1 - 10 = 0$$

$$V_1 = 8.8V$$

$$V_2 = V_1 - 10$$

$$V_3 = 12V$$

$$V_1 = 8.8V$$

$$V_2 = -1.2V$$

$$I_1 = \frac{V_1 - V_3}{2}$$

$$I_2 = \frac{V_1 - V_0}{4}$$

$$I = \frac{V_2 - V_0}{2}$$

$$I_1 = \frac{V_1 - V_3}{2} = -\frac{3.2}{2} = -1.6A$$

$$I_2 = \frac{V_1}{4} = \frac{8.8}{4} = 2.2A$$

$$I = \frac{V_2}{2} = -0.6A$$

Verify KCL

$$I = -I_1 - I_2$$



$$I = 1.6 - 2.2 = -0.6A$$

$$V_2 = V_1 - 10$$

$$V_3 = 12V$$

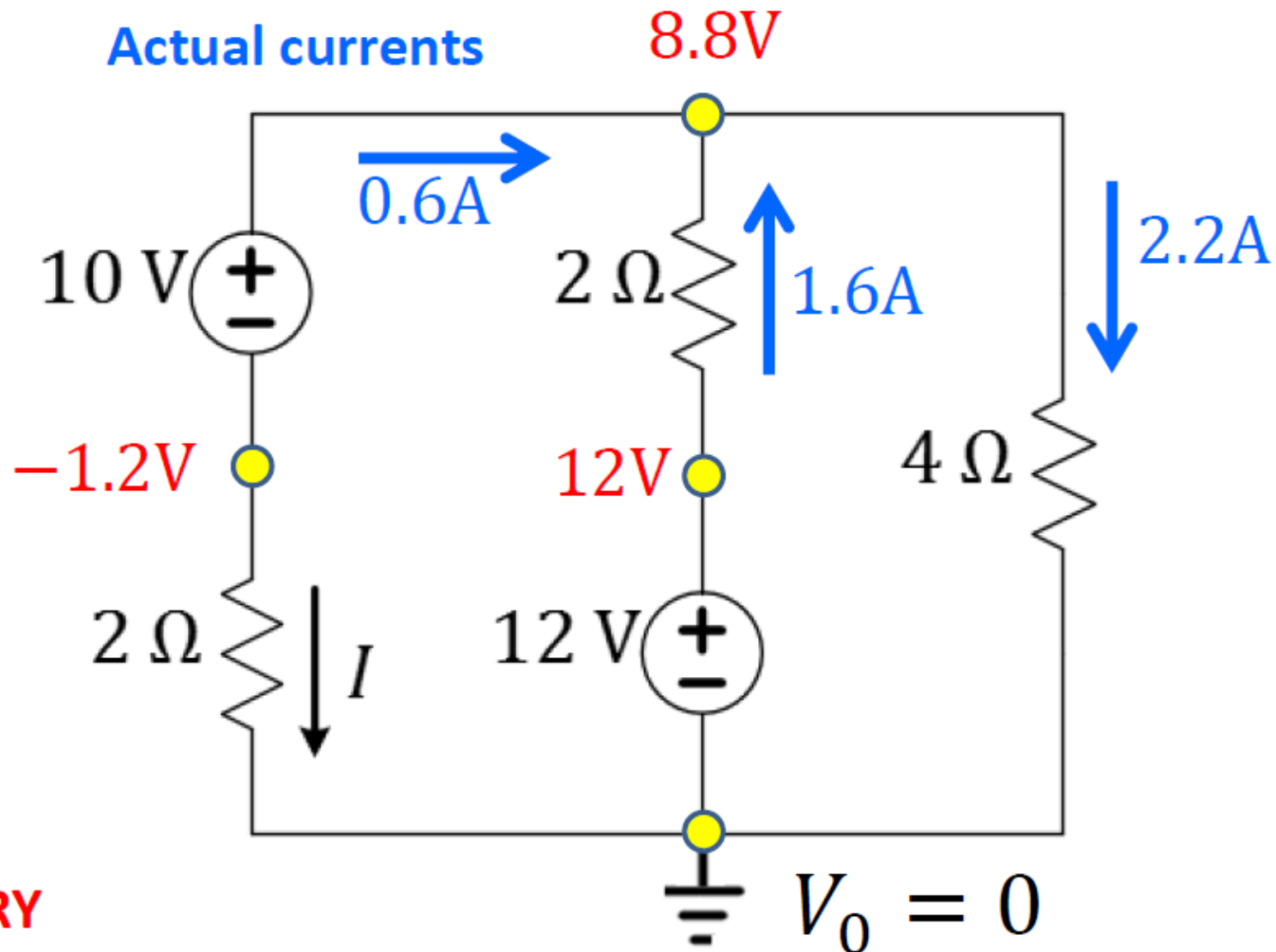
$$V_1 = 8.8V$$

$$V_2 = -1.2V$$

$$I_1 = -1.6A$$

$$I_2 = 2.2A$$

$$I = -0.6A$$



**SUMMARY**

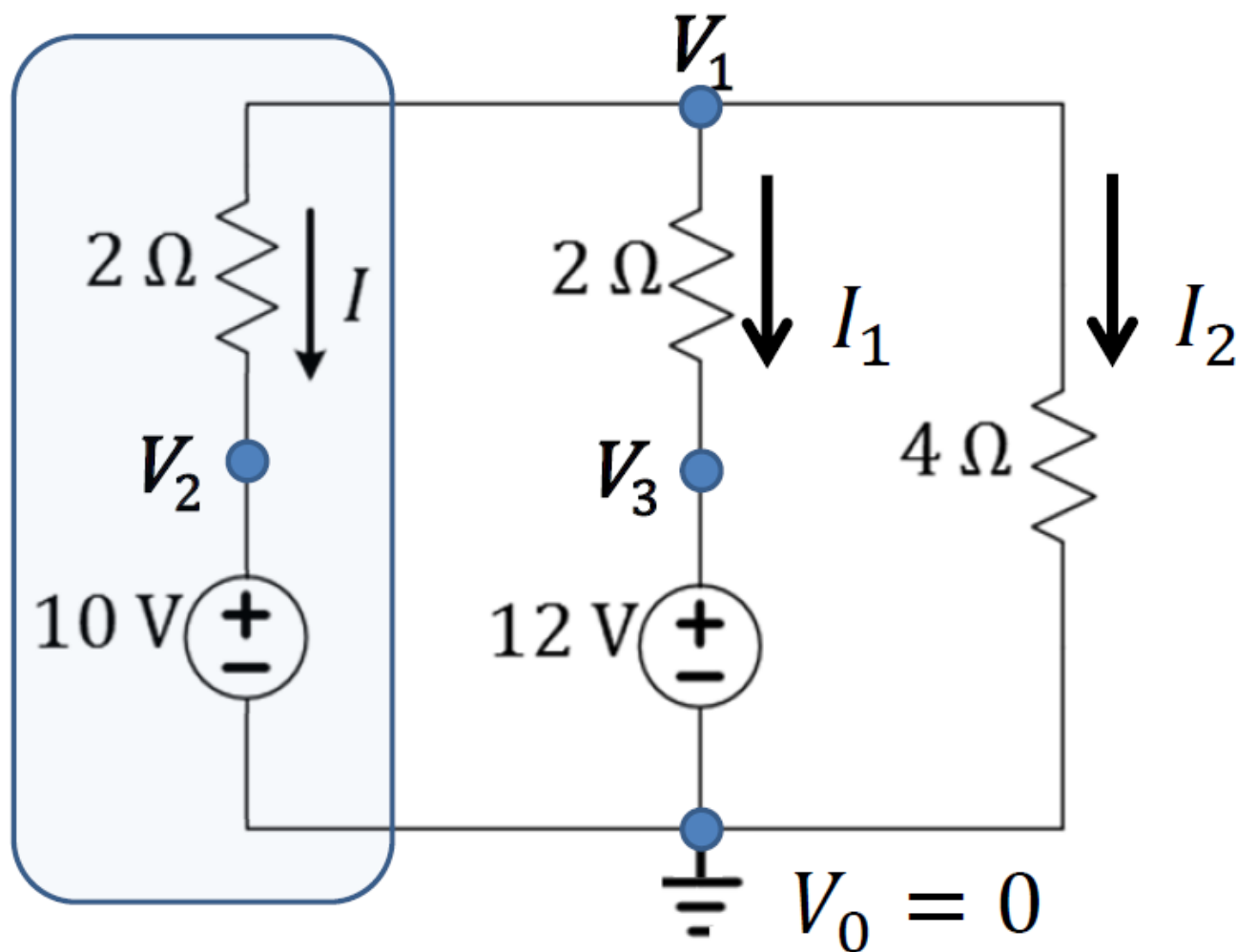
What if we swap elements about node 2?

$$V_2 = 10$$

$$V_3 = 12V$$

$$V_1 = 8.8V$$

$$V_1 - V_2 = -1.2V$$



Same result for currents, no need for supernode

$$I_1 = -1.6A$$

$$I_2 = 2.2A$$

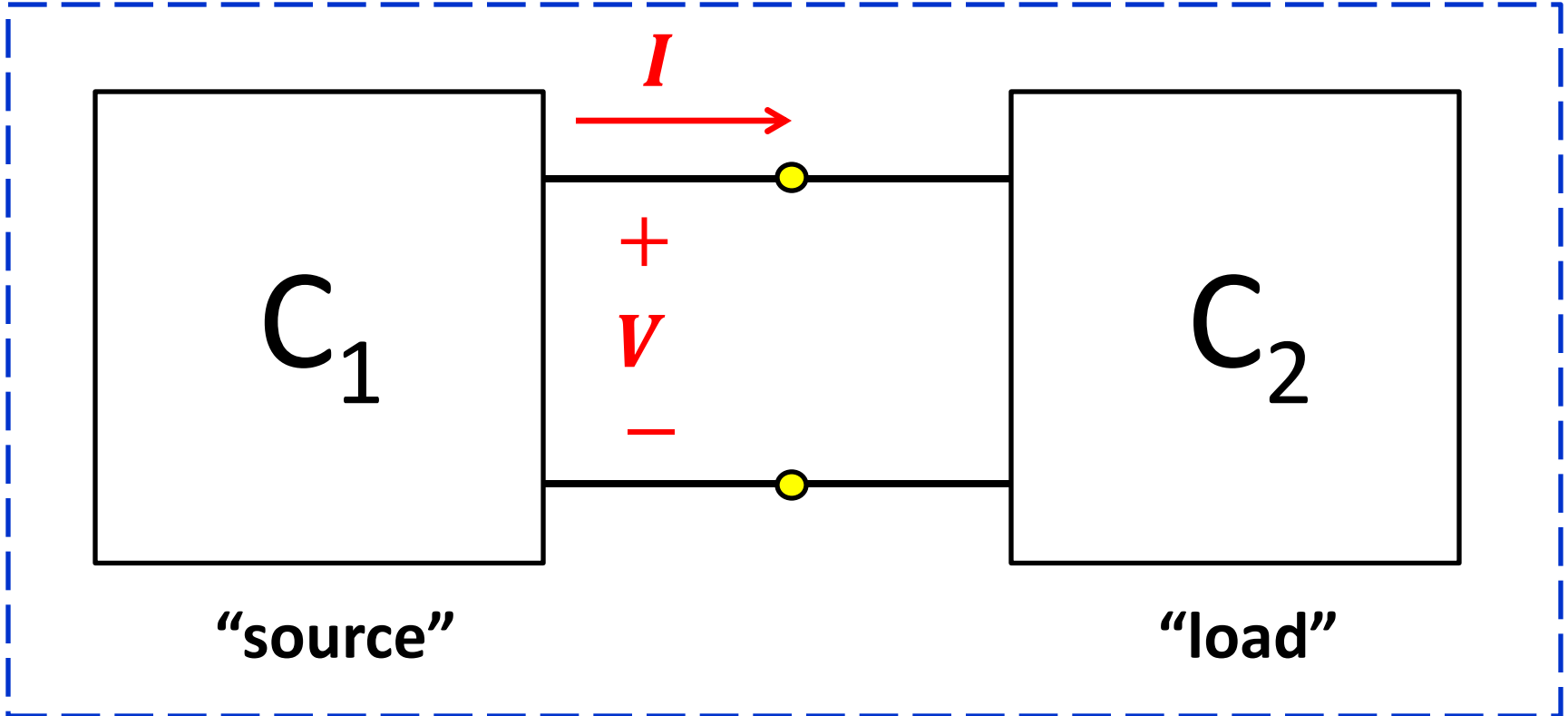
$$I = -0.6A$$

# Introduction to Equivalent Circuits



# Circuit decomposition

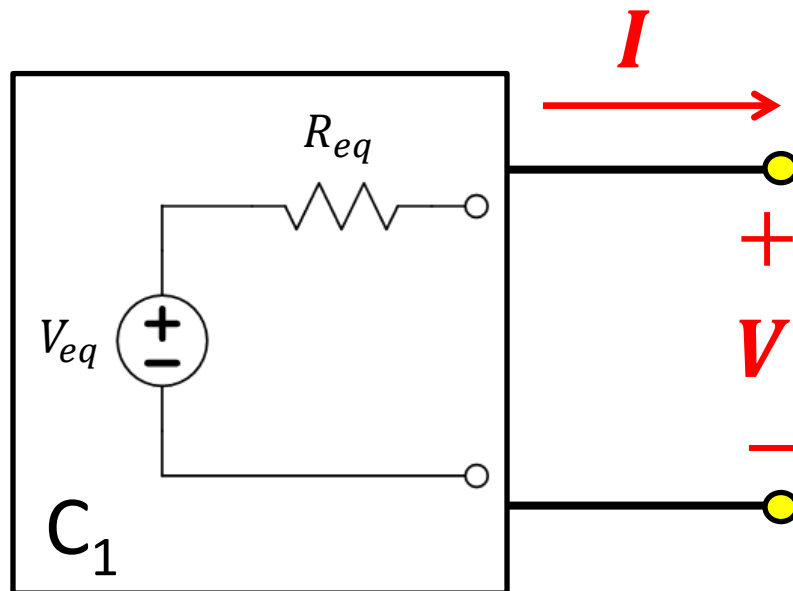
Usually, an independent circuit can be decomposed into two sub-circuits, connected at two nodes and identifiable as a “source” and a “load”.



# Equivalent circuits

The source sub-circuit is a “black box” identified by the voltage and output current at its terminals.

Assuming a “linear circuit” we can represent it as an **equivalent ideal voltage generator** connected in series to an **equivalent internal resistance**.



“source”

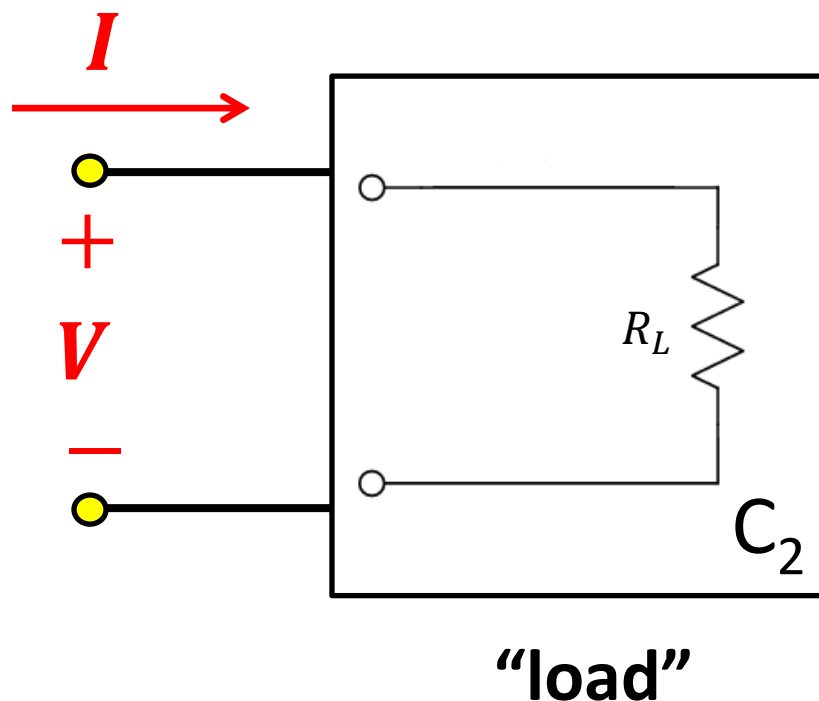
The equivalent source has the same terminal behavior of the original source sub-circuit

# Equivalent circuits

The load sub-circuit is also a “black box” identified by the voltage and input current at its terminals.

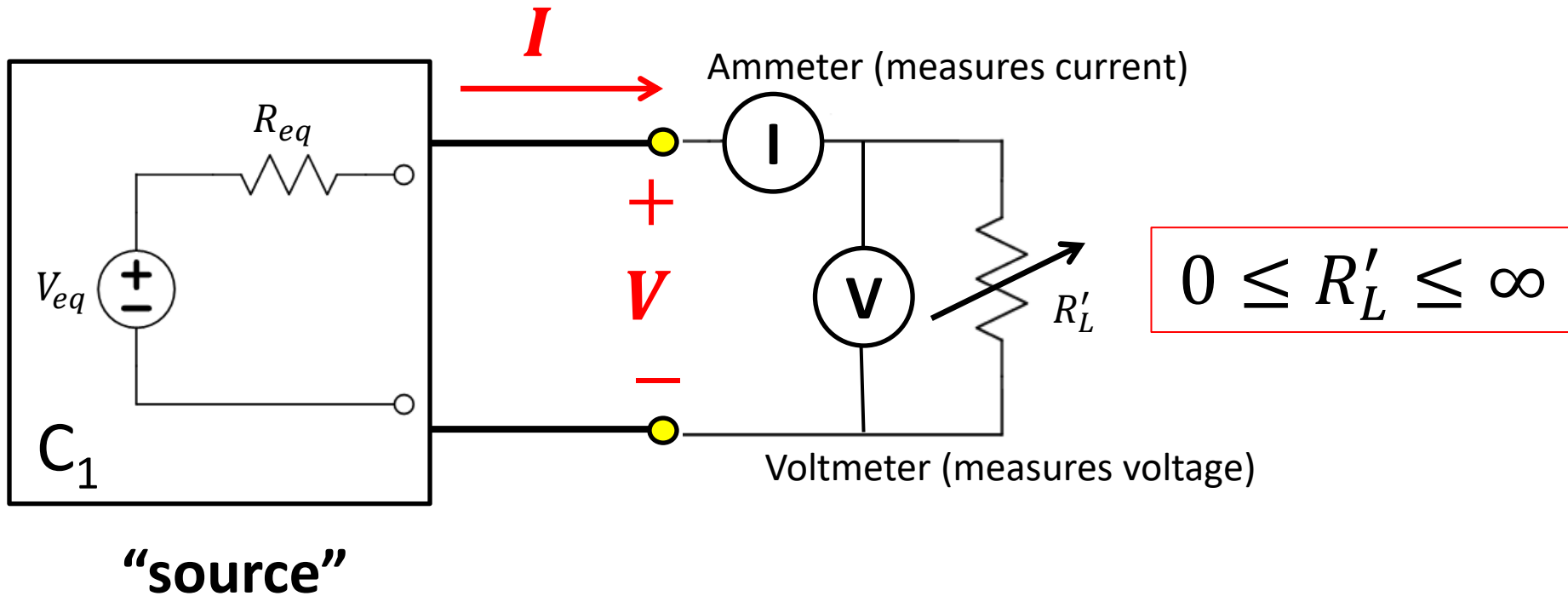
We could represent it as an **equivalent resistor**.

The equivalent load has the same terminal behavior of the original load sub-circuit

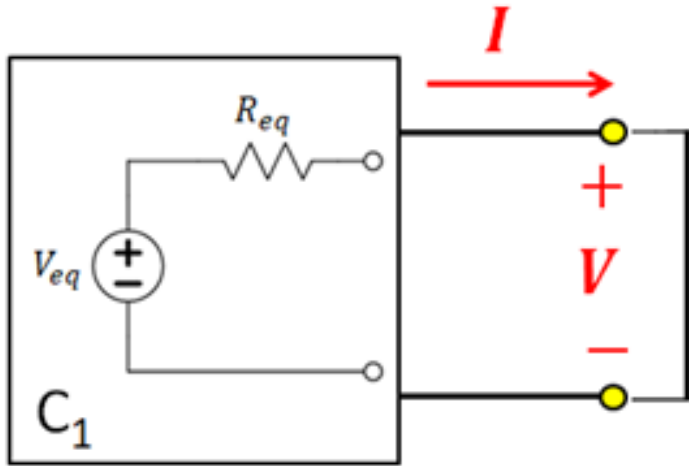


# Equivalent circuits

To characterize the source sub-circuit, let's connect it to a variable resistor load to record the behavior at the terminals with a measurement.



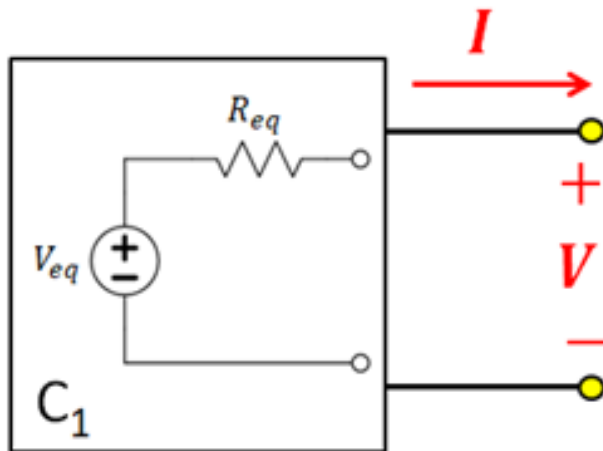
# Limit cases



$R'_L = 0$  (short circuit)

$$I_{sc} = \frac{V_{eq}}{R_{eq}}$$

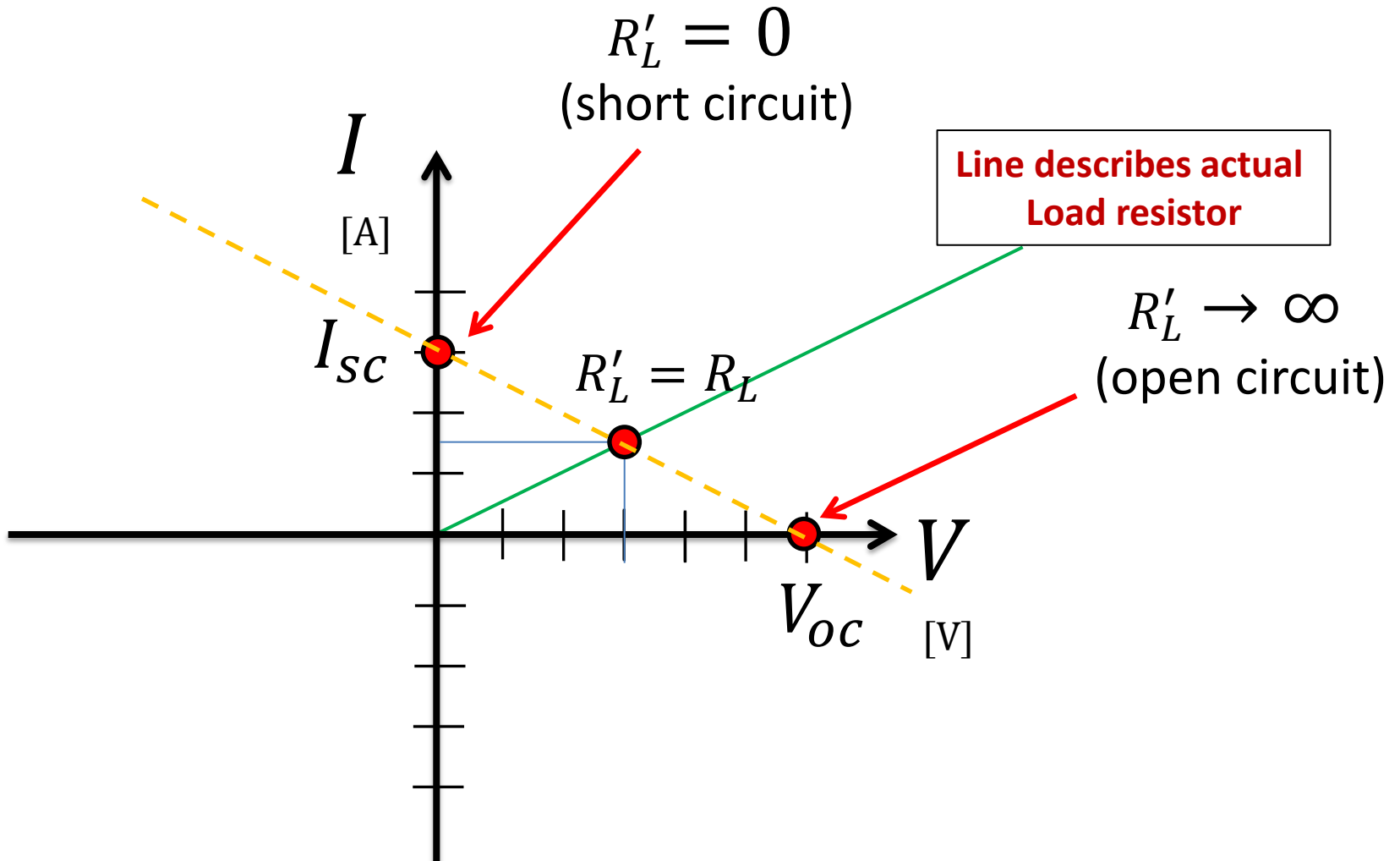
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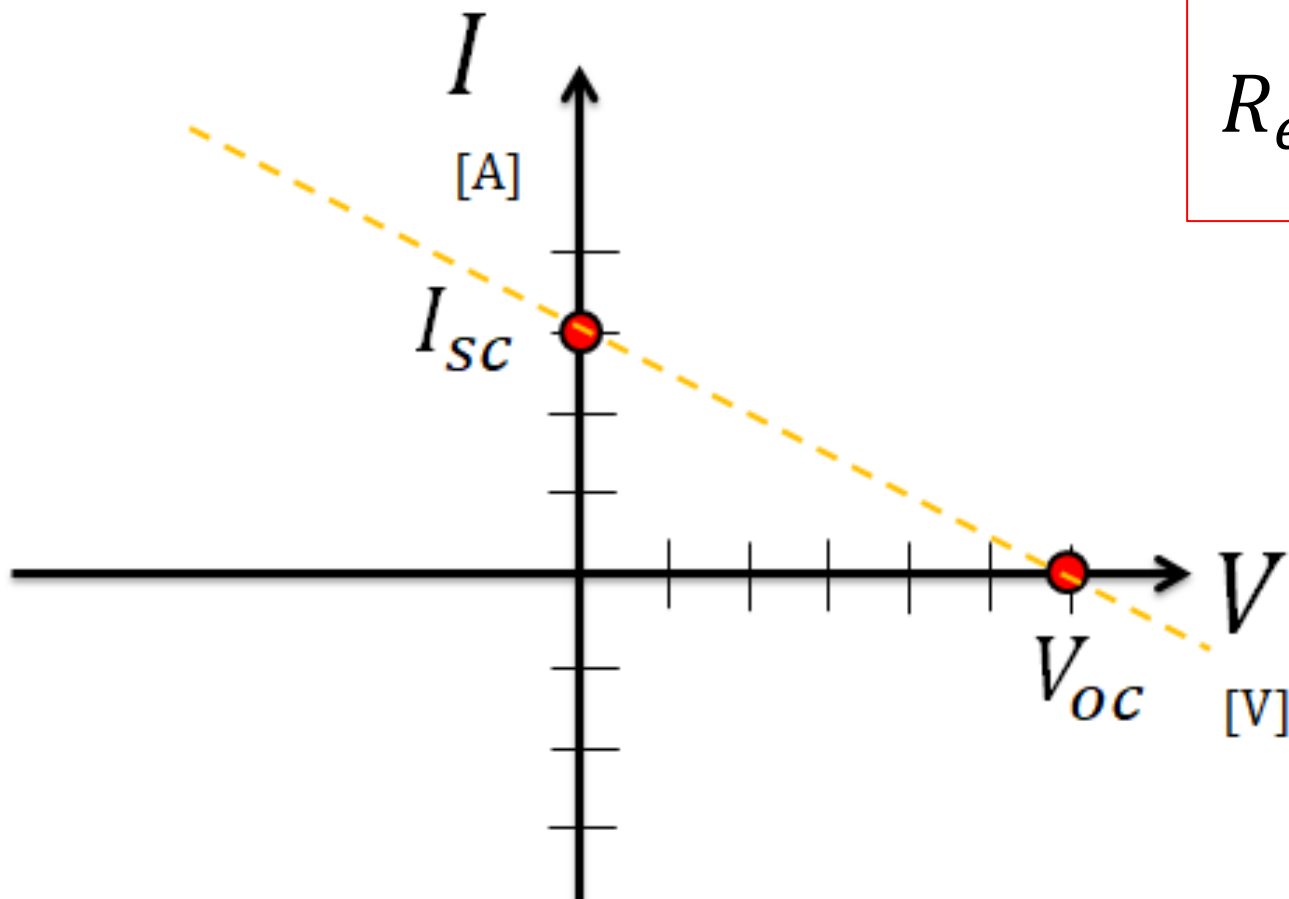


$R'_L \rightarrow \infty$  (open circuit)

$$V_{eq} = V_{oc}$$

# I-V Curve





$$R_{eq} = \frac{V_{oc}}{I_{sc}}$$

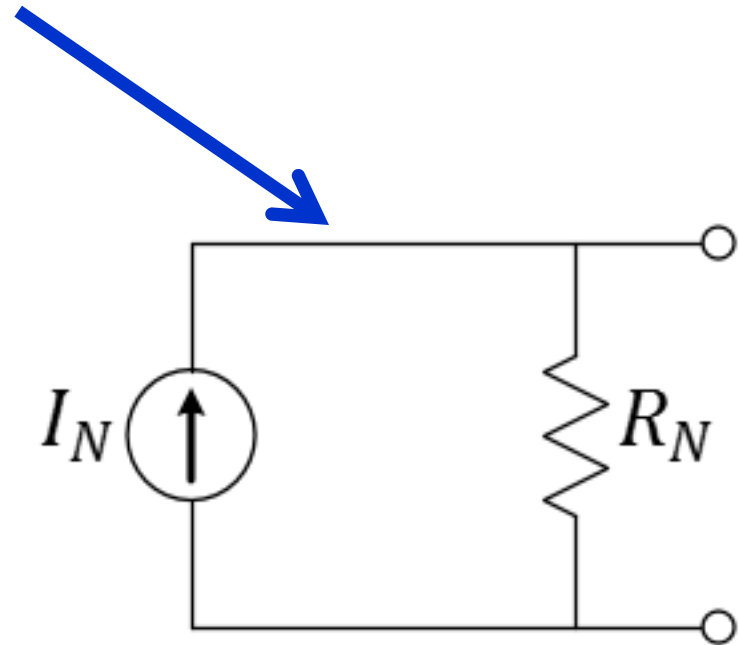
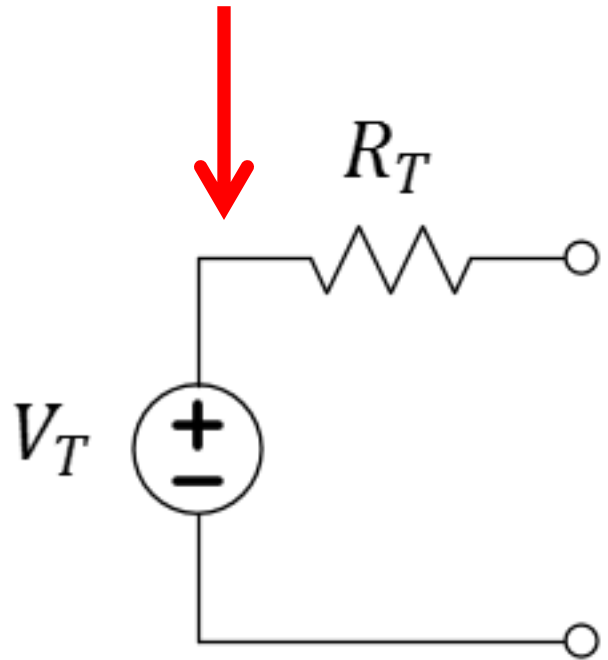
$$I = I_{sc} - \frac{I_{sc}}{V_{oc}} V = I_{sc} - \frac{1}{R_{eq}} V$$

**This equation contains all the information on how the source circuit interacts with other circuits**

**We can formulate equivalent circuits with a voltage source or with a current source, producing the same terminals equation**



# Thevenin and Norton Equivalents



Both represent the terminal equation

$$I = I_{sc} - \frac{I_{sc}}{V_{oc}} V = I_{sc} - \frac{1}{R_{eq}} V$$