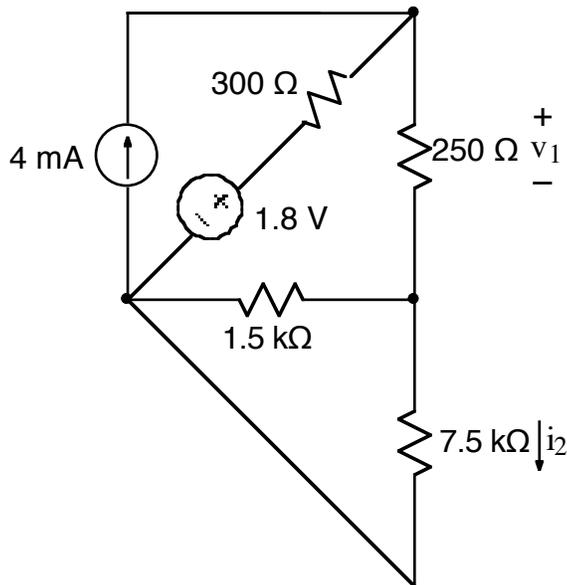


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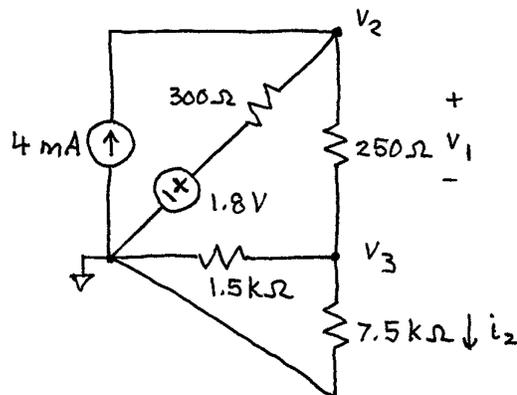


Use the node-voltage method to calculate v_1 and i_2 .

SOL'N:

We first assign a reference node. The node on the left is convenient since it is connected to the $-$ of the 1.8V supply.

We assign node voltages v_2 and v_3 on the right side of the circuit, (since v_1 is already used).



We check for dependent sources and super nodes, but neither is present in this circuit.

Now we write current summation eq'ns for each node.

$$v_2 \text{ node: } -4 \text{ mA} + \frac{v_2 - 1.8\text{V}}{300\Omega} + \frac{v_2 - v_3}{250\Omega} = 0\text{A}$$

$$v_3 \text{ node: } \frac{v_3 - v_2}{250\Omega} + \frac{v_3 - 0\text{V}}{1.5\text{k}\Omega} + \frac{v_3 - 0\text{V}}{7.5\text{k}\Omega} = 0\text{A}$$

We solve these eq'ns for v_2 and v_3 . Grouping terms multiplying v_2 and v_3 and putting constant terms on the right side of the eq'n keeps things organized.

$$v_2 \left(\frac{1}{300\Omega} + \frac{1}{250\Omega} \right) + v_3 \left(\frac{-1}{250\Omega} \right) = 4\text{mA} + \frac{1.8\text{V}}{300\Omega}$$

$$v_2 \left(\frac{-1}{250\Omega} \right) + v_3 \left(\frac{1}{250\Omega} + \frac{1}{1.5\text{k}\Omega} + \frac{1}{7.5\text{k}\Omega} \right) = 0\text{A}$$

Multiplying both sides by $7.5\text{k}\Omega$ clears the denominators.

$$v_2 (25 + 30) + v_3 (-30) = 30\text{V} + 1.8\text{V}(25)$$

$$v_2 (-30) + v_3 (30 + 5 + 1) = 0\text{V}$$

The 2nd eq'n is easier to solve. (We may solve for either v_2 or v_3 .)

$$v_2 = v_3 \frac{36}{30} = v_3 \cdot \frac{6}{5}$$

Substituting into the 1st eq'n, we have

$$v_3 \cdot \frac{6}{5} (55) + v_3 (-30) = 30V + 45V = 75V$$

$$\text{or } v_3 \cdot (66 - 30) = 75V$$

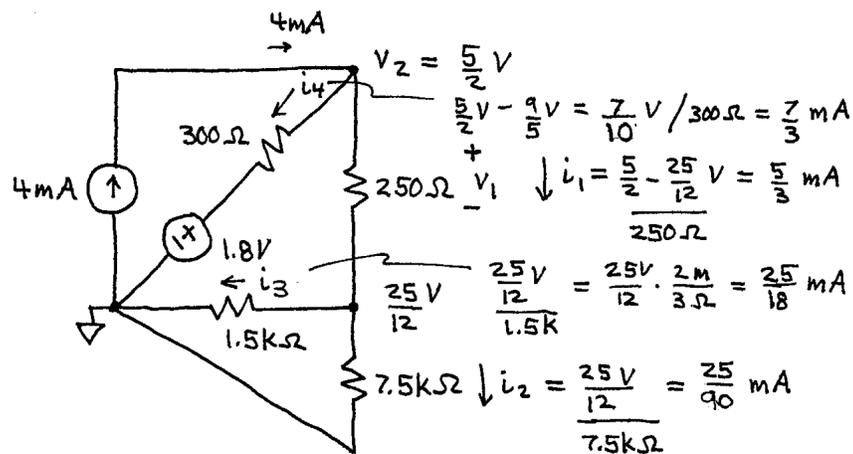
$$\text{or } v_3 \cdot 36 = 75V$$

$$\text{or } v_3 = \frac{75}{36} V = \frac{25}{12} V$$

Using our earlier eq'n for v_2 , we have

$$v_2 = v_3 \cdot \frac{6}{5} = \frac{25}{12} V \cdot \frac{6}{5} = \frac{5}{2} V$$

Before going further we perform a consistency check on the currents to verify that they sum to zero at each node:



Check: $-4mA + \frac{7}{3} mA + \frac{5}{3} mA = 0 mA \checkmark$
 $-\frac{5}{3} mA + \frac{25}{18} mA + \frac{25}{90} mA = 0 mA \checkmark$

For v_1 we have $v_1 = v_2 - v_3 = \frac{5}{2} - \frac{25}{12} \text{ V}$

or $v_1 = \frac{30}{12} - \frac{25}{12} \text{ V} = \frac{5}{12} \text{ V}$

For i_2 we have $i_2 = \frac{v_3}{7.5 \text{ k}\Omega} = \frac{25/12}{7.5} \text{ mA}$

$$i_2 = \frac{25}{12} \cdot \frac{10}{75} = \frac{5}{18} \text{ mA}$$

(Note: v_1 and i_2 we actually found earlier in the consistency check.)