Ex:


For the circuit shown, write three independent equations for the three mesh currents, $i_{1}, i_{2}$, and $i_{3}$. The quantity $i_{\mathrm{x}}$ must not appear in the equations.

Sol'N:

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { (1) } i_{3}=i_{5} \\
& \\
& \quad \alpha i_{x}=i_{2}-i_{3} \\
& i_{x}=\left(i_{1}-i_{2}\right) \\
& \text { (2) } \therefore \alpha\left(i_{1}-i_{2}\right)=\left(i_{2}-i_{3}\right) \\
& V-100 p: 3)-i_{1} R_{3}-i_{1} R_{2}+i_{2} R_{2}-i_{1} R_{4}=0
\end{aligned}
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