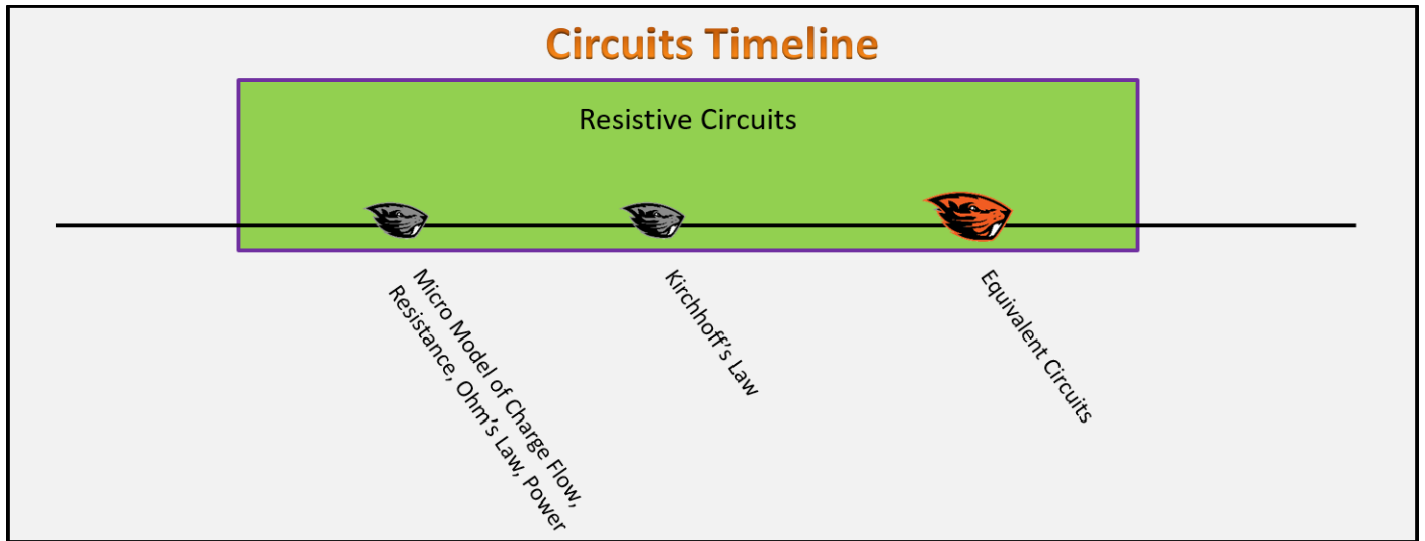


Circuits

Foundation Stage (RC.L3.2)

Lecture 3

Equivalent Circuits



Textbook Chapters (* Calculus version)

- **BoxSand** :: KC videos ([Microscopic Charge Flow](#))
- **Knight** (College Physics : A strategic approach 3rd) ::
- ***Knight** (Physics for Scientists and Engineers 4th) ::
- **Giancoli** (Physics Principles with Applications 7th) ::

Warm up

RC.L3.2-01:

Description:

Learning Objectives: [?] - Can you identify the objectives from the previous lecture, and this lecture, that this question is relevant to?

Problem Statement:

Selected Learning Objectives

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Key Terms

- Electric Force
- Charge
- Coulombs
- Electron
- Proton
- Neutron
- Conductor
- Charge transfer

Key Equations

$\Delta V = IR$	$I = \frac{\Delta q}{\Delta t}$
$R_{eq} = R_1 + R_2 + \dots$	$\frac{1}{R_{eq}} = \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} + \dots$

Key Concepts

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Questions

Act I: Resistance and Equivalent Circuits

RC.L3.2-02:

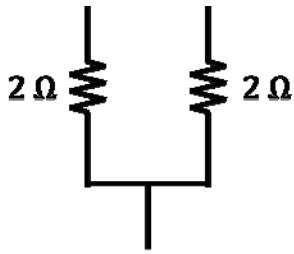
Description: [?]

Learning Objectives: [?]

Problem Statement: Find the equivalent resistances for each of the following circuits.

(a)

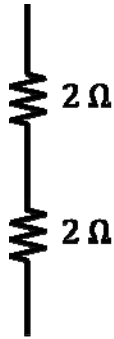




$$\overline{R_{eq}} = 2\Omega \cdot 2\Omega \cdot 2\Omega$$

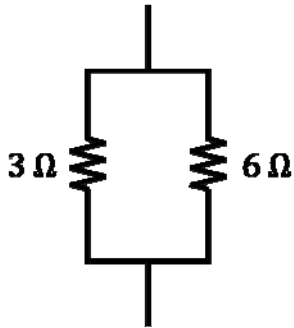
$$\Rightarrow R_{eq} = 1\Omega$$

(b)



$$R_{eq} = 2\Omega + 2\Omega = 4\Omega$$

(c)



$$\frac{1}{R_{eq}} = \frac{1}{3\Omega} + \frac{1}{6\Omega} = \frac{3}{6\Omega}$$

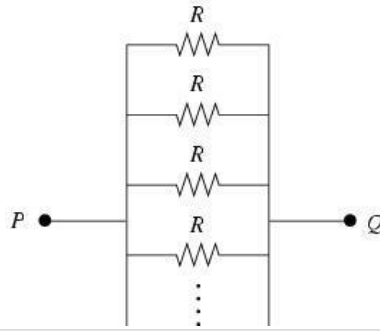
$$R_{eq} = 2\Omega$$

RC.L3.2-03:

Description: [?]

Learning Objectives: [?]

Problem Statement: As more identical resistors, R , are added to the parallel circuit shown here, the total resistance between points P and Q ...



- (1) Increases.
- (2) Remains the same.
- (3) Decreases.

$$R_{eq} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{R} + \frac{1}{R}} = \frac{1}{\frac{2}{R}} = \frac{R}{2}$$

$$\dots$$

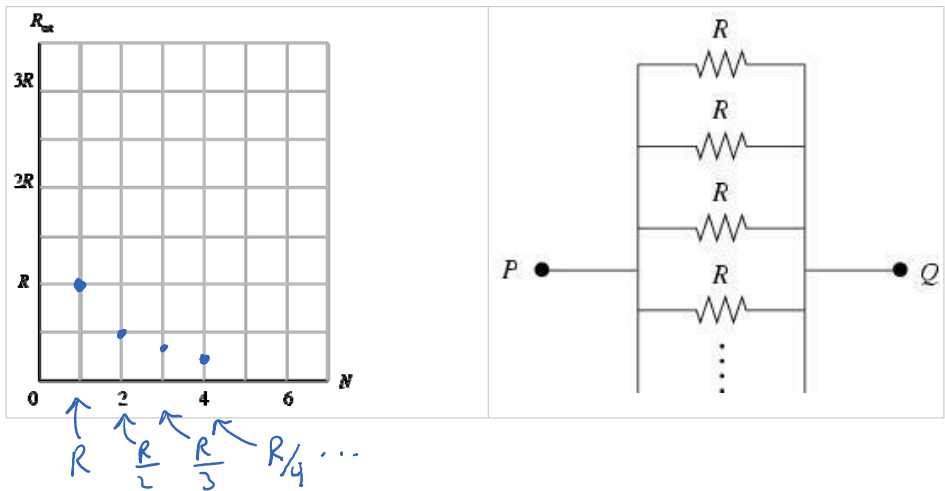
$$\frac{1}{\frac{1}{R} + \frac{1}{R} + \frac{1}{R} + \frac{1}{R}} = \frac{1}{\frac{4}{R}} = \frac{R}{4}$$

RC.L3.2-04:

Description: [?]

Learning Objectives: [?]

Problem Statement: Draw a graph relating the total resistance, R_{total} , between points P and Q versus the total number N of resistors placed between them.

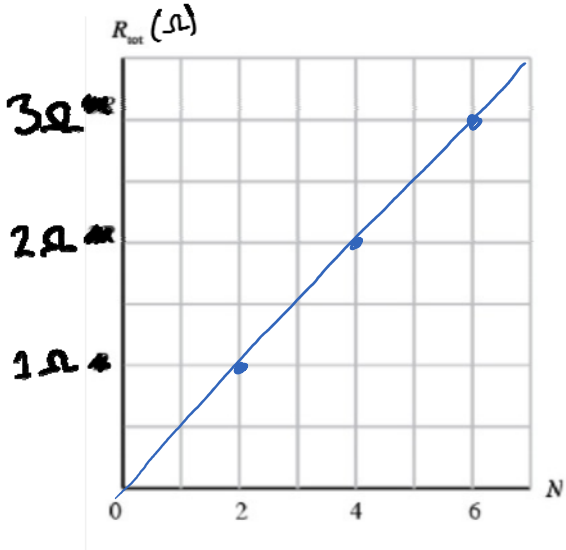


RC.L3.2-05:

Description: [?]

Learning Objectives: [?]

Problem Statement: Draw a graph relating the total resistance as a function of N, where N is the number of equivalent $0.5\ \Omega$ resistors added in series.



$N=2 \Rightarrow 0.5\ \Omega + 0.5\ \Omega = 1\ \Omega$

$N=3 \Rightarrow 1.5\ \Omega$

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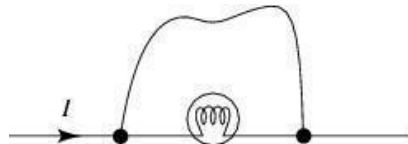
Act II: Power and Equivalent Circuits

RC.L3.2-06:

Description: [?]

Learning Objectives: [?]

Problem Statement: Charge flows through a light bulb. Suppose a wire is connected across the bulb as shown. When the wire is connected,



- (1) all the charge continues to flow through the bulb.
- (2) half the charge flows through the wire, the other half continues through the bulb.
- (3) all the charge flows through the wire.
- (4) none of the above.

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the resistance of wire is so small that it can



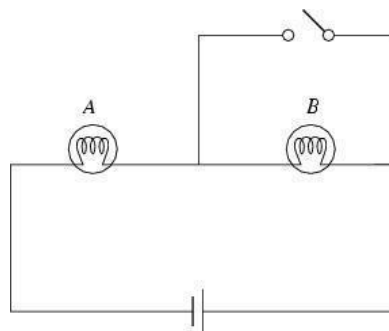
the resistance of wire is so small that it can be approximated as 0 \Rightarrow all current chooses the wire
technically $R_{\text{wire}} \neq 0$, so some very small amount of current flows through lightbulb

RC.L3.2-07:

Description: [?]

Learning Objectives: [?]

Problem Statement: The circuit below consists of two identical light bulbs burning with equal brightness and a single 12 V battery. When the switch is closed, the brightness of bulb A



- (1) increases.
- (2) remains unchanged.
- (3) decreases.

$$P = I^2 R = \frac{\Delta V^2}{R} = I \Delta V$$

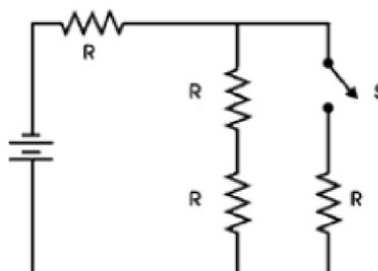
$\Delta V_A \uparrow, R = \text{const}$

RC.L3.2-08:

Description: [?]

Learning Objectives: [?]

Problem Statement: Consider the following circuit.



(a) With the switch S closed, what is the equivalent resistance of the circuit?

- (1) 4 R
- (2) 2 R / 3
- (3) 2 R
- (4) 5 R / 3**
- (5) 5 R / 6
- (6) R
- (7) R / 3
- (8) R / 2

$$\frac{1}{\frac{1}{2R} + \frac{1}{R}} + R = \frac{1}{\frac{3}{2R}} + R = \frac{2}{3}R + R$$

(b) Will more power be dissipated by the circuit when the switch S is open or closed?

- (1) Open
- (2) Closed**
- (3) No difference

$$R_{\text{open}} = 3R > \frac{5}{3}R$$

$$P = \frac{\Delta V^2}{R} \leftarrow \text{same}$$

$$P = \frac{\Delta V^2}{R} \leftarrow \text{less when closed}$$

RC.L3.2-09:

Description: [?]

Learning Objectives: [?]

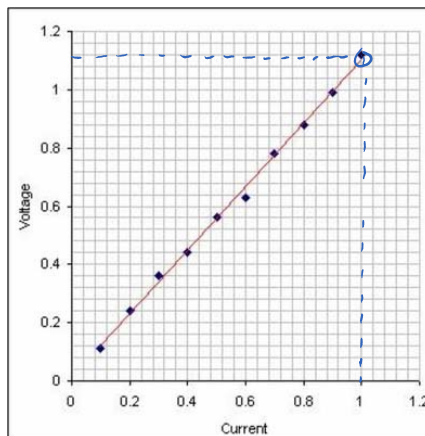
Problem Statement: Use the voltage vs. current curve for the resistors to determine what power is delivered to the circuit by a 12 V battery when the switch is closed?

$$\Delta V = I R$$

$$\Rightarrow R = \frac{\Delta V}{I} = \text{slope of } \rightarrow$$

$$R = \frac{1.12 \text{ V}}{1 \text{ A}} = 1.12 \Omega$$

$$P = \frac{\Delta V^2}{R} = \frac{144 \text{ V}^2}{1.12 \Omega}$$



$$P = 129 \text{ W}$$

Act III: Solving Circuits

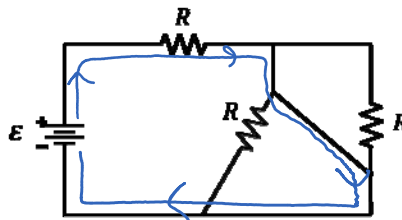
RC.L3.2-10:

Description: [?]

Learning Objectives: [?]

Problem Statement: Find the equivalent resistance of the following circuit.

all current will follow blue path



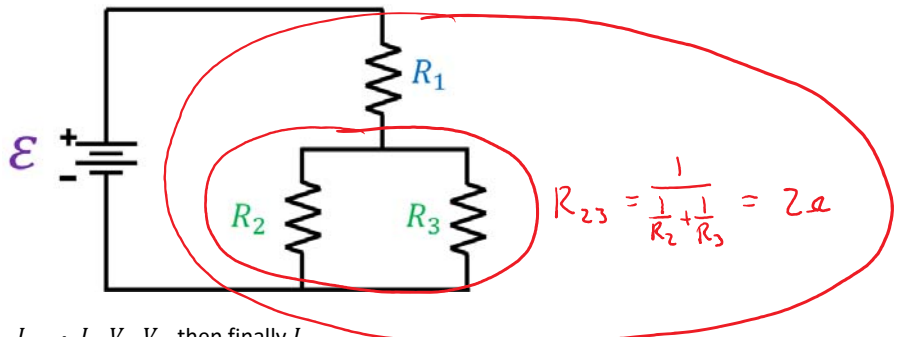
$$\Rightarrow R_{eq} = R$$

RC.I3.2-11:

Description: [?]

Learning Objectives: [?]

Problem Statement: Find the currents $I_1, I_2,$ and I_3 in the following circuit. Let $R_1 = 3 \Omega, R_2 = R_3 = 4 \Omega,$ and $\mathcal{E} = 5 V$



Hint: try finding quantities in this order: $R_{eq}, I_{total}, I_1, V_1, V_2,$ then finally I_2

$$R_{tot} = R_{123} = 5 \Omega \Rightarrow I_{tot} = \frac{\Delta V_{tot}}{R_{tot}} = 1 A$$

$$I_{tot} = I_1 = 1 A$$

$$\Delta V_1 = I_1 R_1 = (1 A)(3 \Omega) = 3 V$$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta V_2 = \Delta V_3 = \Delta V_{tot} - \Delta V_1 = 2 V$$

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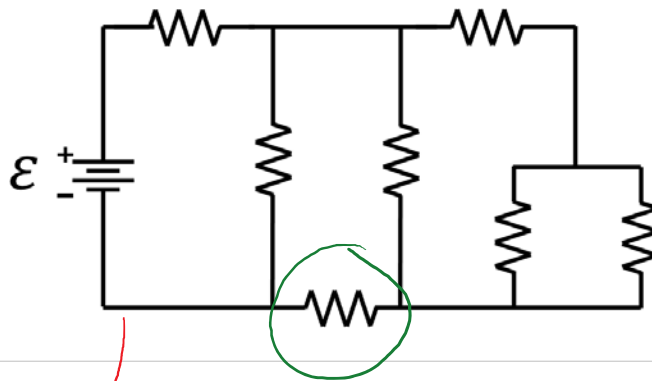
$$I_3 = I_1 - I_2 = \boxed{\frac{1}{2} A = I_3} \rightarrow \text{or } I_3 = \frac{\Delta V_3}{R_3} = \frac{2V}{4\Omega} = \frac{1}{2} A$$

RC.L3.2-12:

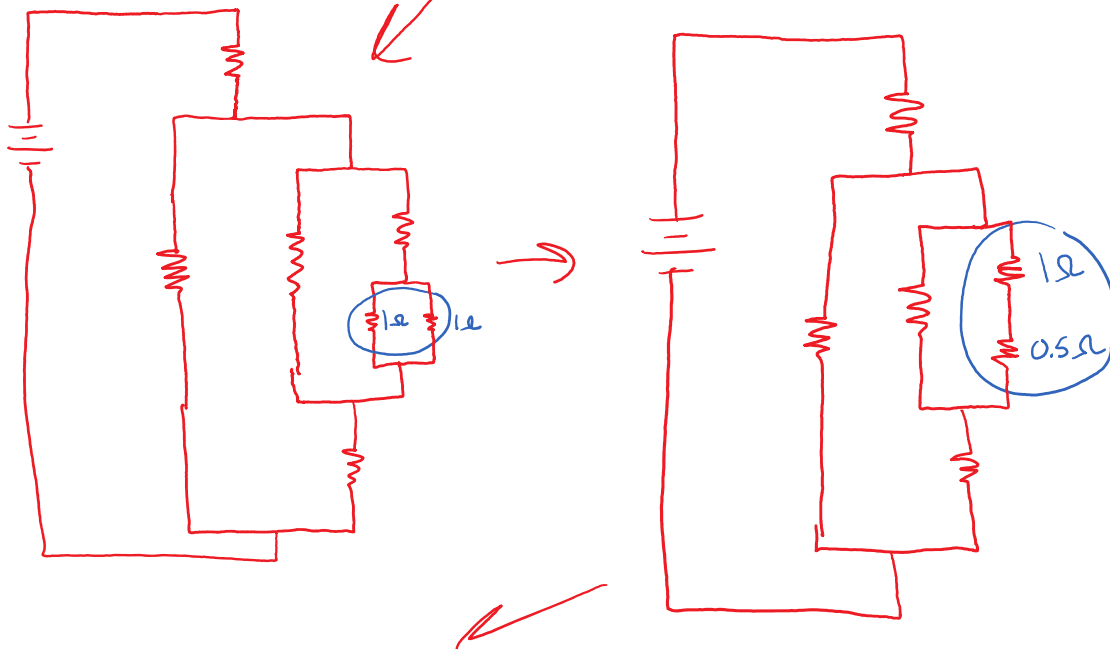
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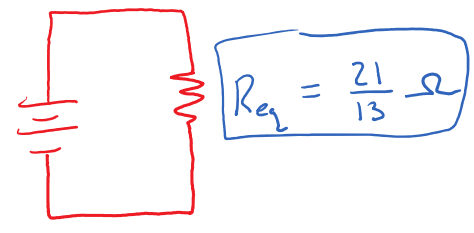
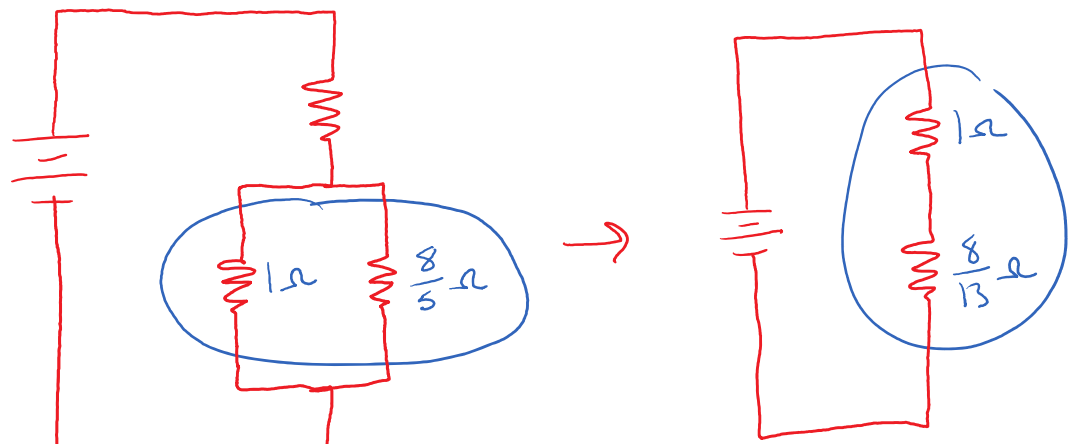
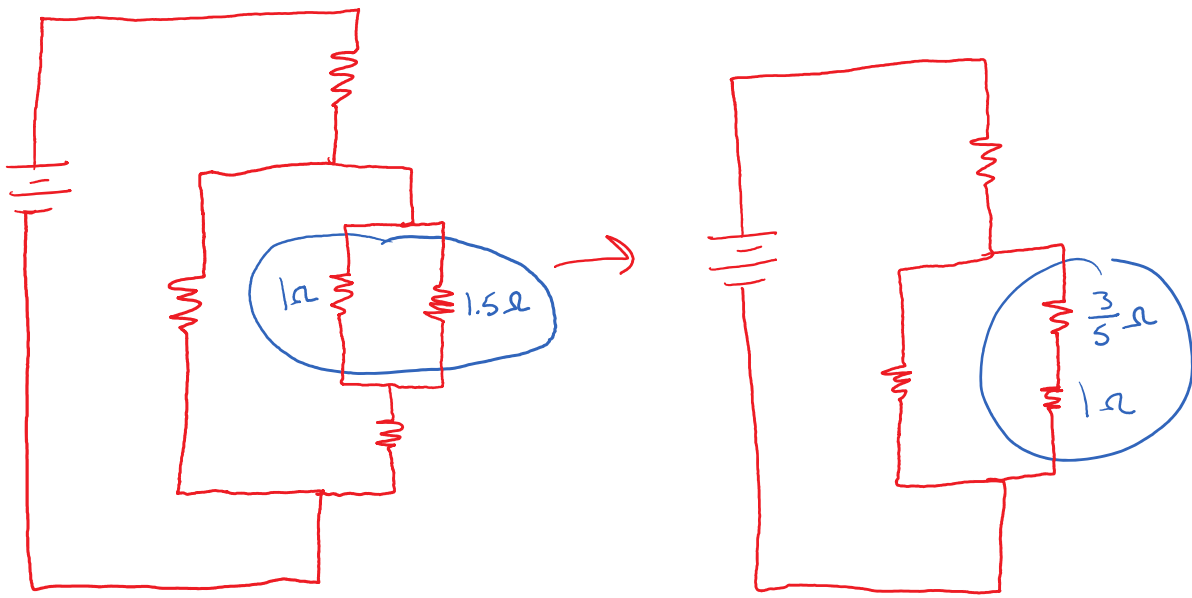
Learning Objectives: [?]

Problem Statement: Assume each resistor has a resistance of $1\ \Omega$.



(a) Find the equivalent resistance of the circuit.

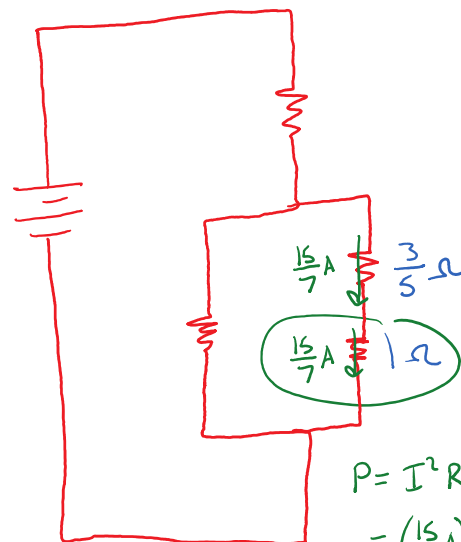
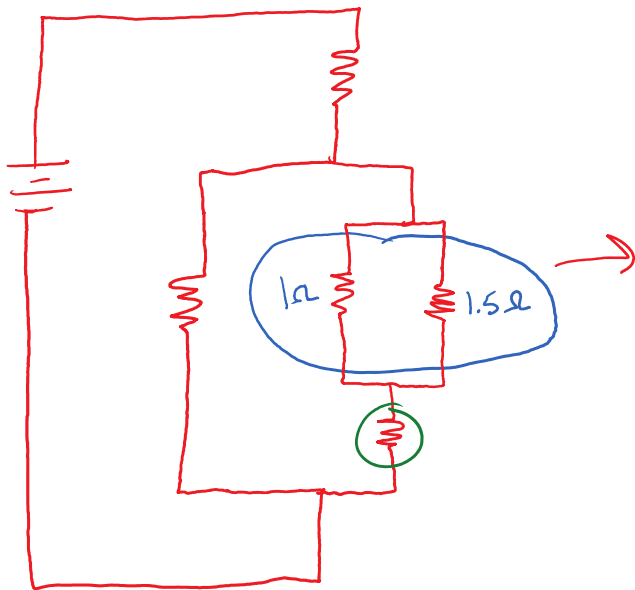
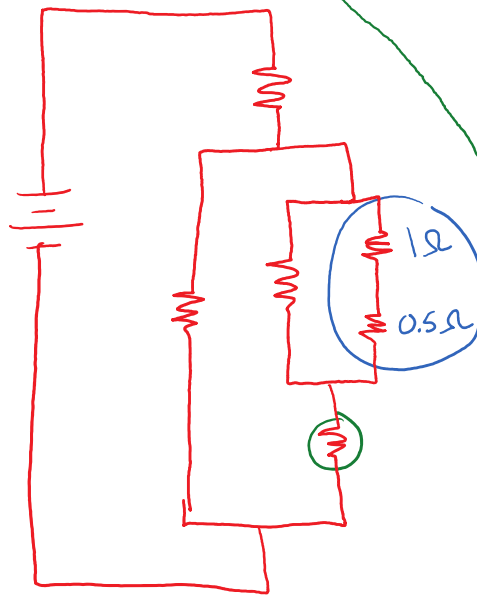
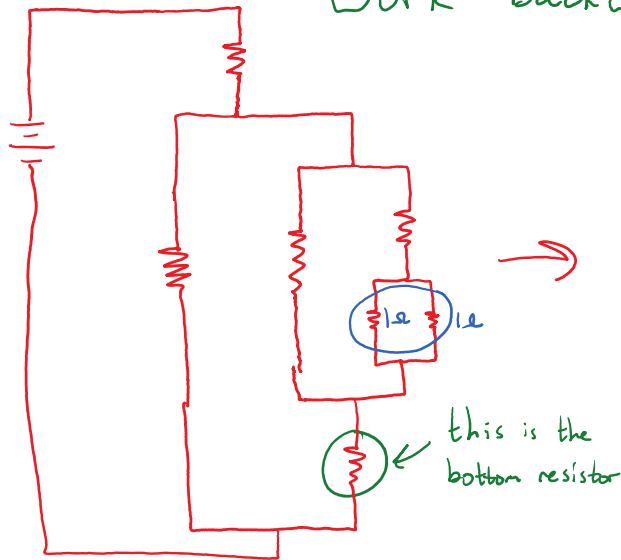




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Work backwards from above

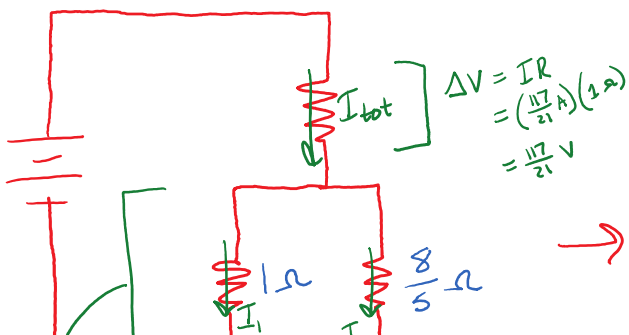


$$P = I^2 R$$

$$= \left(\frac{15}{7}\right)^2 (1\Omega)$$

$$= \frac{225}{49} \text{ W}$$

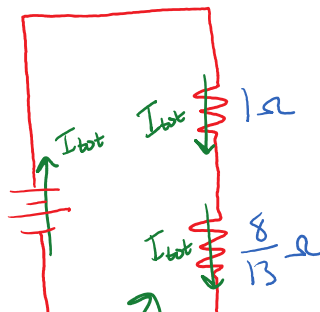
$$= 4.59 \text{ W}$$

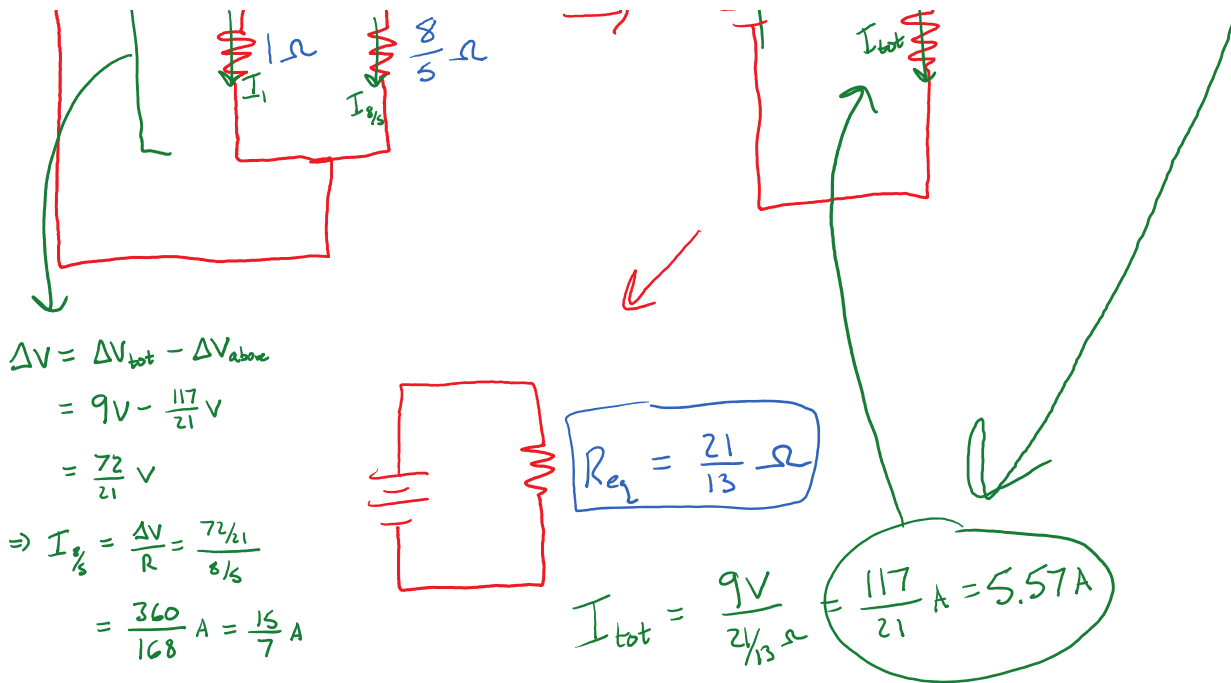


$$\Delta V = IR$$

$$= \left(\frac{15}{7} \text{ A}\right) (1\Omega)$$

$$= \frac{15}{7} \text{ V}$$





Conceptual questions for discussion

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Hints

- RC.L1.2-01: No hints.
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