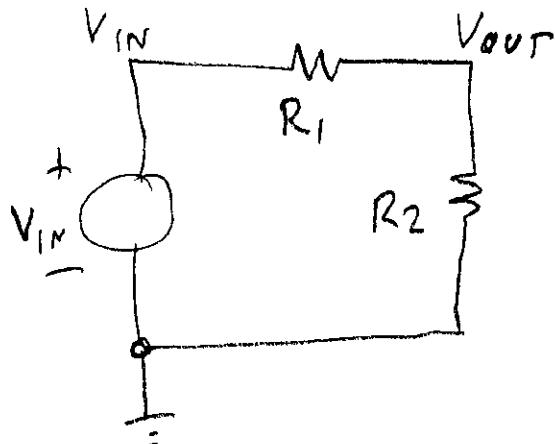


# Some analysis tricks

(How to simplify a circuit)

## Voltage divider



$$\frac{V_{OUT} - V_{IN}}{R_1} + \frac{V_{OUT}}{R_2} = 0$$

$$V_{OUT} \left( \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} \right) - V_{IN} \left( \frac{1}{R_1} \right) = 0$$

$$V_{OUT} \left( \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} \right) = V_{IN} \left( \frac{1}{R_1} \right)$$

$$V_{OUT} = \frac{V_{IN} \left( \frac{1}{R_1} \right)}{\frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2}}$$

$$= \frac{V_{IN} \left( \frac{R_1 R_2}{R_1} \right)}{\frac{R_1 R_2}{R_1} + \frac{R_1 R_2}{R_2}}$$

$$V_{OUT} = V_{IN} \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2}$$

HW --  
Ch.3:  
10, 12  
Ch.4:  
56, 58, 59, 60, 62

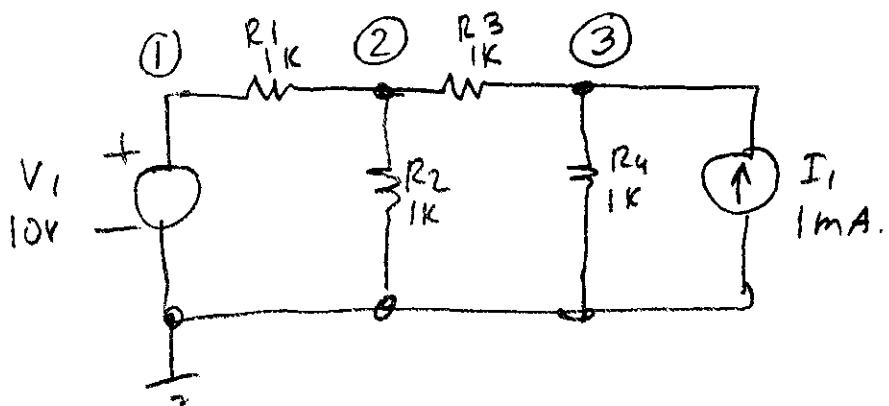
Use equivalent circuits  
and superposition  
when possible.

# Analysis tricks

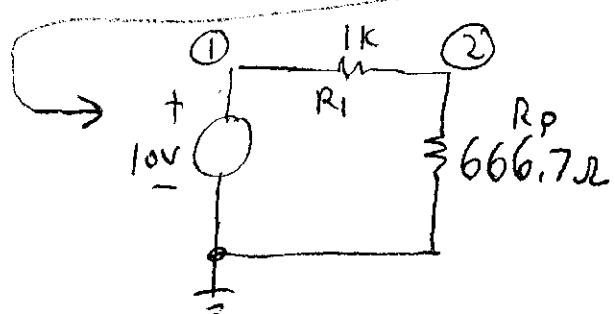
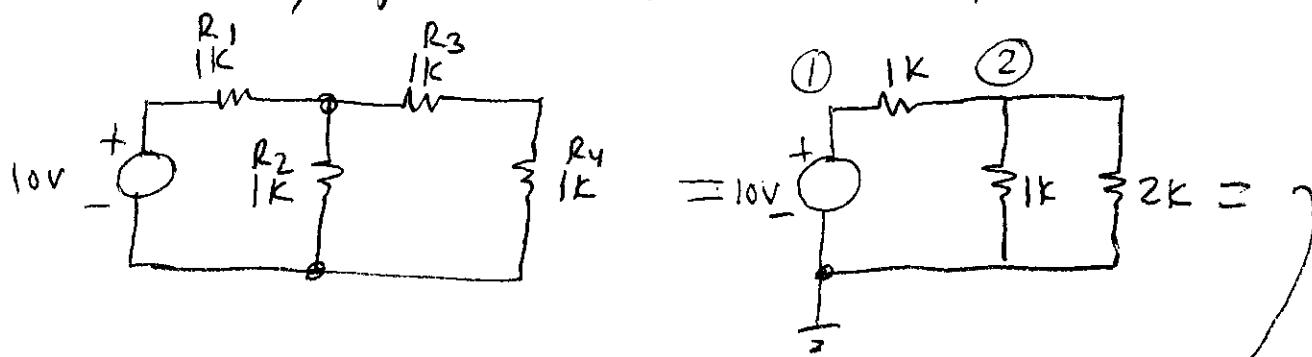
## Superposition

If there are multiple fixed sources, we can consider them one at a time, then add the results.

Example (Quiz question).



Consider  $V_1$ , ignore  $I_1$  (set  $I_1$  to 0)



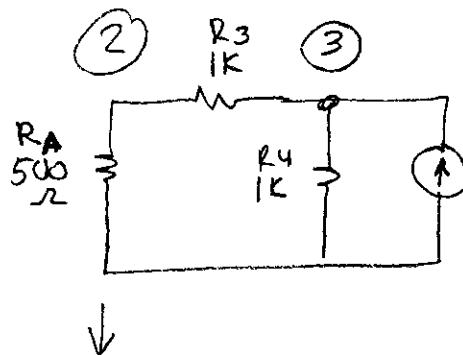
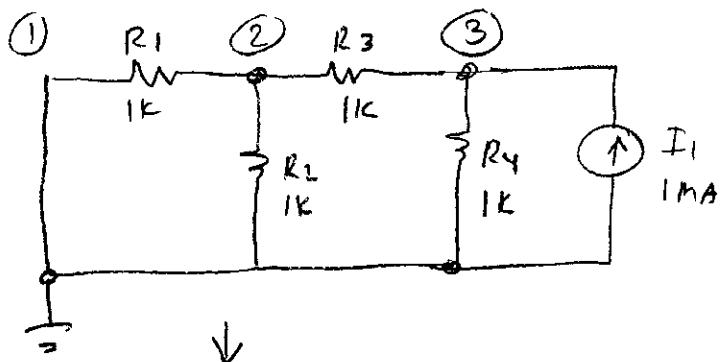
$$V_2 = V_1 \frac{R_p}{R_1 + R_p}$$

$$= 10 \frac{666.7}{1666.7}$$

$$V_2 = 4V, \quad V_3 = 2V$$

↓  
by voltage divider

Now solve again, ignoring the voltage source.

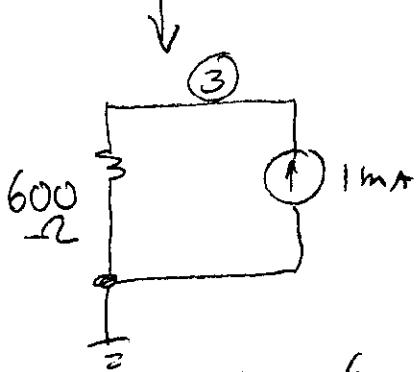
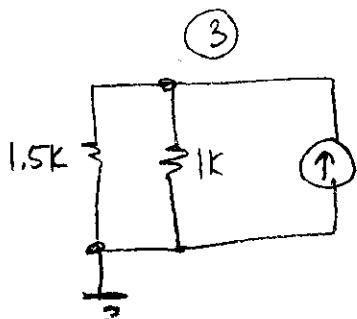


Now solve for (2)  
by voltage divider.

$$V_2 = V_3 \frac{R_A}{R_A + R_3}$$

$$= 0.6 \frac{500}{1500}$$

$$V_2 = 0.2$$



$$V_3 = (1mA)(0.6k)$$

$$V_3 = 0.6 V.$$

Now add them:

	Using only $V_1$	Using only $I_1$	Total
$V_1$	10	0	10
$V_2$	4	.2	4.2
$V_3$	2	.6	2.6



This is the  
answer.

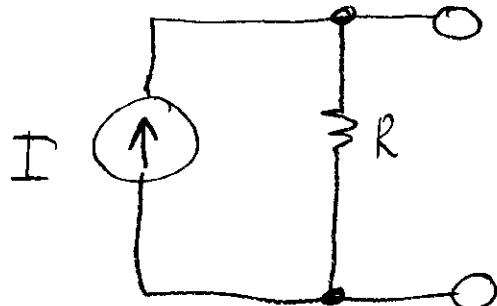
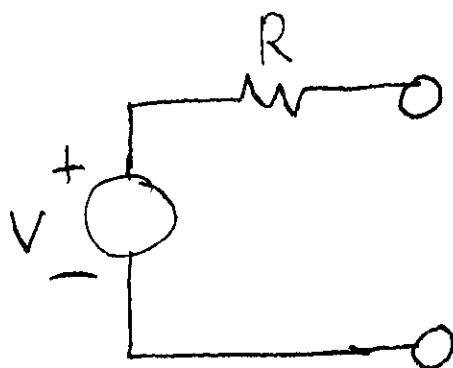
# "Thevenin" and "Norton" Equivalent Circuits

(5)

Voltage source

Current source

If all we care about is what we see at the terminals — we can substitute these simple equivalents:



These are equivalent,  
if  $V$ ,  $I$ ,  $R$  are chosen correctly

More complex networks  
can be replaced by these!

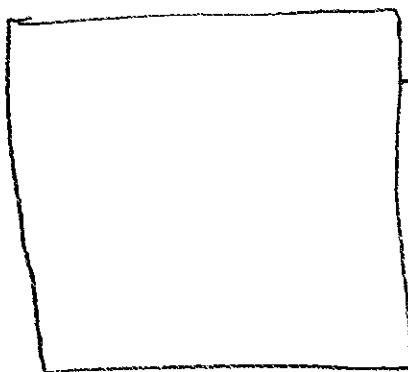
To find either:

Measure: Open circuit voltage

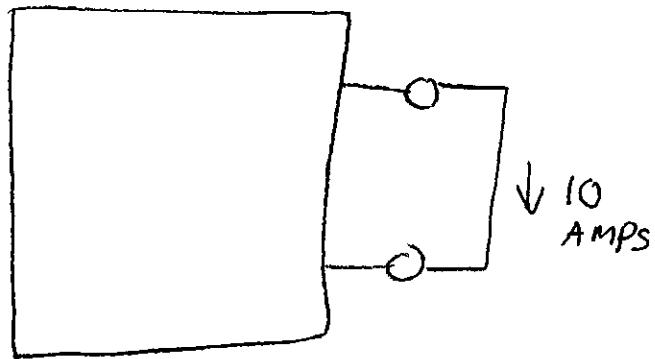
Short circuit current

Then use Ohm's law to find  $R = \frac{V_{oc}}{I_{sc}}$

Example:



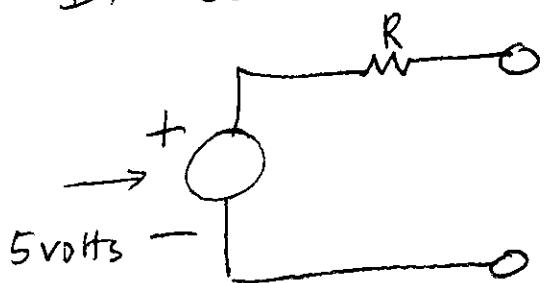
5 Volts



10 AMPS

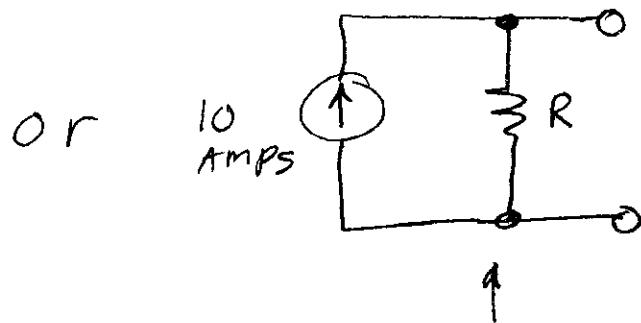
What's in the box?

It could be ----



What R gives 10Amps  
in short circuit?

or

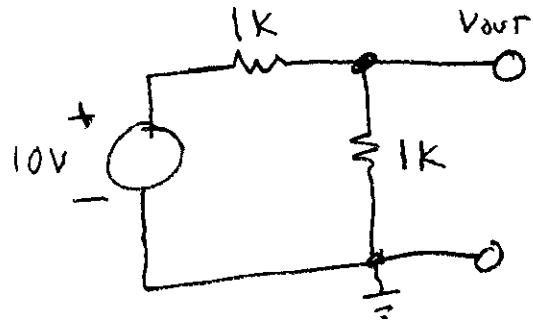


What R gives  
5 Volts across  
open circuit?

$$R = \frac{V_{oc}}{I_{sc}} = \frac{5}{10} = 0.5 \text{ ohm}$$

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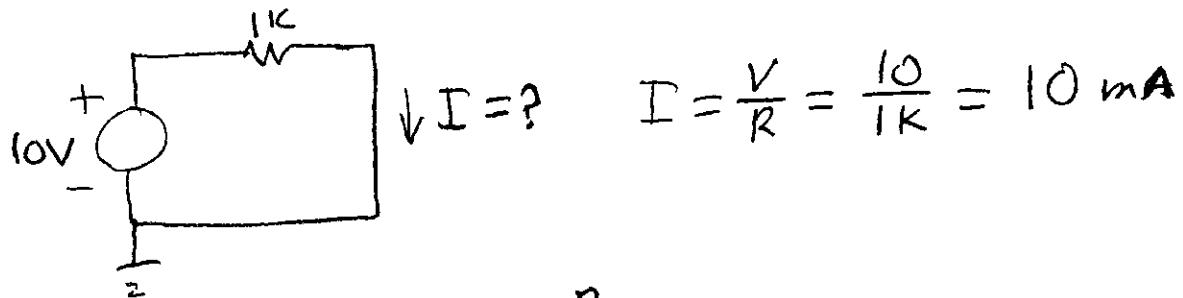
Example:



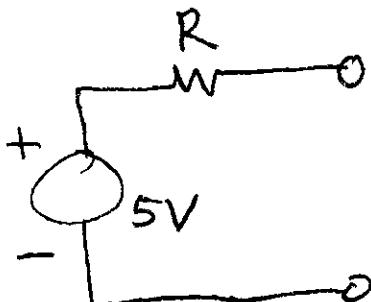
Find both equivalents.

Open circuit voltage:  $V_{out} = 10 \frac{1k}{2k} = 5$

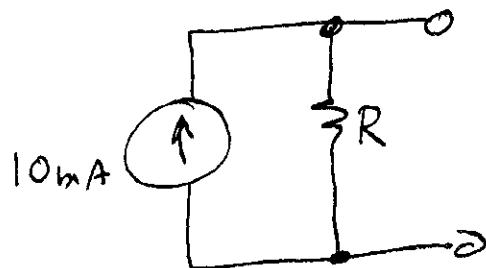
short circuit current:



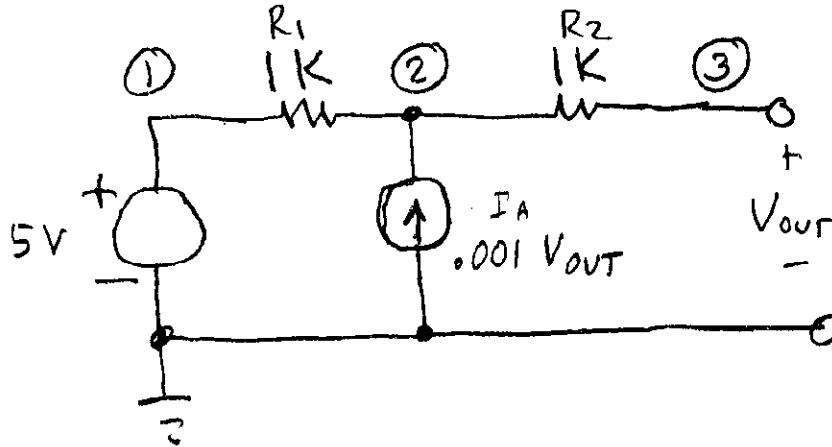
Thevenin equivalent:



Norton equivalent:



$$R = \frac{V_{oc}}{I_{sc}} = \frac{5}{.01} = 500 \text{ ohms.}$$



Find  
Thevenin  
and Norton  
equivalent circuits

Open circuit:

$$V_3 = V_2$$

$$V_1 = 5$$

$$\frac{V_2 - V_1}{R_1} - .001 V_2 = 0$$

$$\frac{V_2 - 5}{1k} - .001 V_2 = 0$$

$$V_2 - 5 - V_2 = 0$$

$$-5 = 0 \quad ??$$

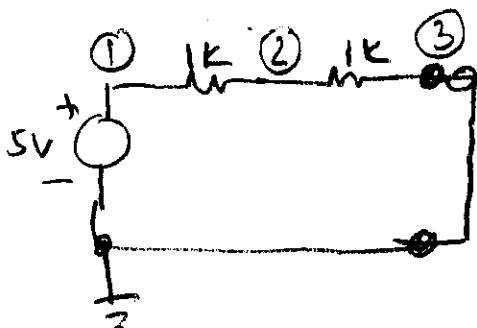


This circuit  
doesn't work!

$$V_2 = \infty$$

No Thevenin  
equivalent  
exists

Short circuit:

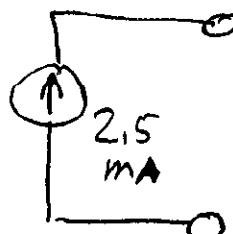


$$V_3 = 0$$

$$I_A = 0 = \text{open.}$$

$$I = \frac{5V}{2k} = 2.5 \text{ mA.}$$

Norton equivalent:

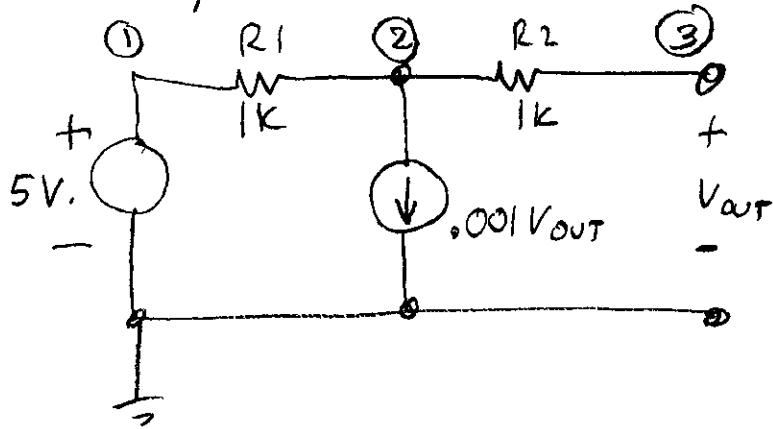


$$V = \infty$$

$$I = 2.5 \text{ mA}$$

$$R = \frac{\infty}{2.5 \text{ mA}} = \infty$$

Try this circuit:



Open circuit:

$$\frac{V_2 - V_1}{R_1} + .001 V_2 = 0$$

$$\frac{V_2 - 5}{1k} + .001 V_2 = 0$$

$$V_2 - 5 + V_2 = 0$$

$$2V_2 = 5$$

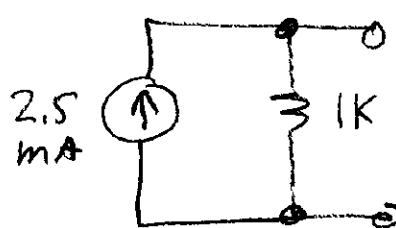
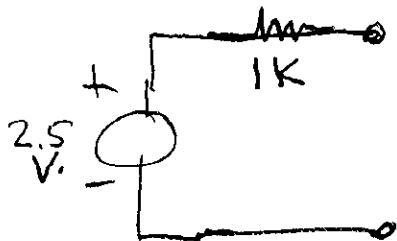
$$V_2 = 2.5$$

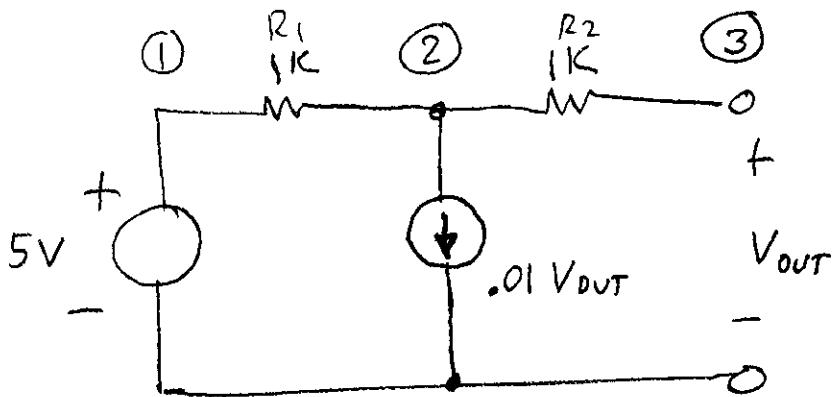
Short circuit:

(Same as other example)

$$I = 2.5 \text{ mA}$$

$$R = \frac{V_{oc}}{I_{sc}} = \frac{2.5 \text{ V}}{2.5 \text{ mA}} = 1k$$





Open circuit:

$$\frac{V_2 - V_1}{R_1} + .01 V_2 = 0$$

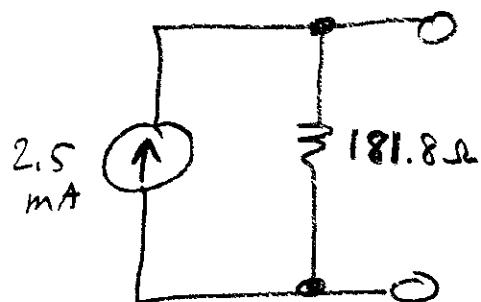
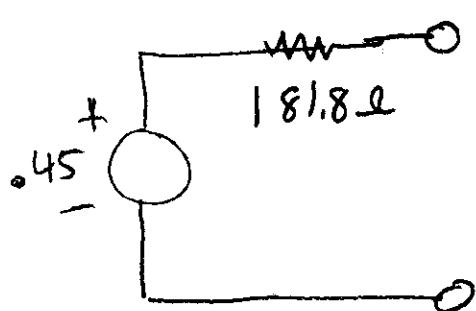
$$\frac{V_2 - 5}{1\text{k}} + .01 V_2 = 0$$

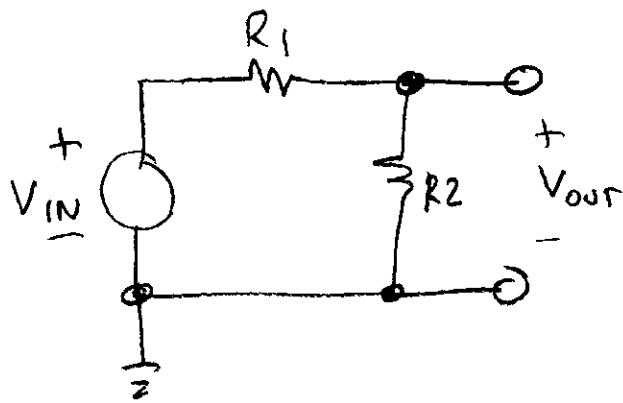
$$$V_2 - 5 + 10V_2 = 0$$$

$$11V_2 = 5$$

$$V_2 = \frac{5}{11} = V_{sc} = .45$$

$$R = \frac{V_{sc}}{I_{oc}} = \frac{.45\text{V}}{2.5\text{mA}} = 181.8 \Omega$$





(voltage divider).

Open circuit:

$$V_{OC} = V_{OUT} = V_{IN} \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2}$$

Short circuit:

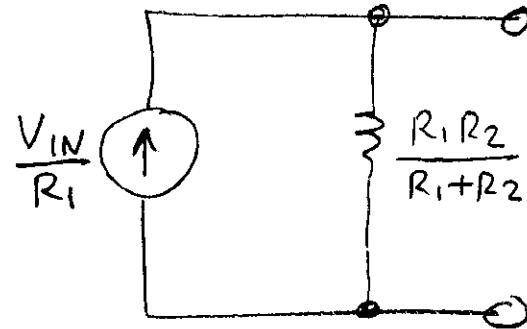
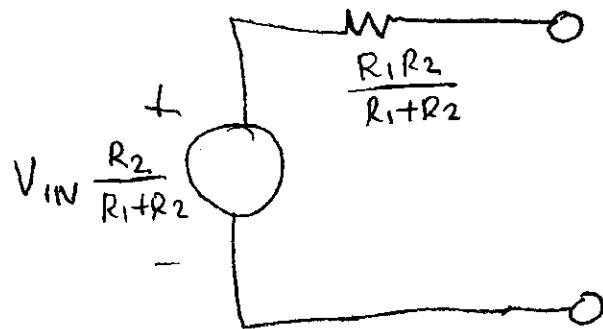
$$I_{SC} = \frac{V_{IN}}{R_1}$$

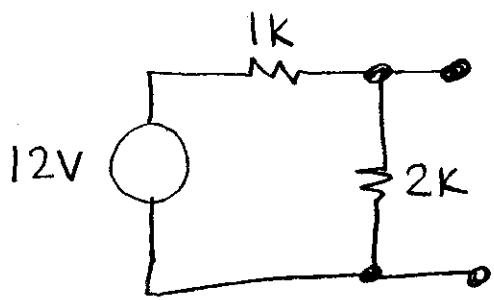
$$R = \frac{V_{OC}}{I_{SC}} = \frac{V_{IN} \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2}}{V_{IN} \frac{1}{R_1}} = \frac{R_1 R_2}{R_1 + R_2}$$

$\overbrace{\quad\quad\quad}$   
Parallel combination  
of  $R_1$  and  $R_2$ .

$$R = \frac{\frac{R_1 R_2}{R_1 + R_2}}{\frac{R_1}{R_1 R_2} + \frac{R_2}{R_1 R_2}} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_2} + \frac{1}{R_1}}$$

$\leftarrow$  Proof that  
these formulas  
are equivalent





$$V_{OC} = 12 \cdot \frac{2K}{1K+2K} = (12) \left(\frac{2}{3}\right) = 8V,$$

$$I_{SC} = \frac{12}{1K} = 12 \text{ mA}$$

$$R = \frac{8V}{12 \text{ mA}} = 0.667 \text{ K} = 667 \text{ } \Omega$$

