6.200 Circuits and Electronics

Week 2, Lecture B: Voltage and Current Dividers

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Check Yourself!



















Resistor Combinations



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Check Yourself! Solve for *i*.



Check Yourself! Solve for *v***.**



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Circuit design is complicated by interactions among the elements. Adding an element changes voltages and current *throughout* the circuit. For example, what happens when the switch is closed in the following circuit (effectively adding the resistor R as a new component)?



- 0. v_o and i_o stay the same
- 1. v_o decreases, i_o decreases
- 2. v_o decreases, i_o increases
- 3. v_o increases, i_o decreases
- 4. v_o increases, i_o increases
- 5. depends the value of R

Check Yourself! Equivalent Resistance

One curve represents the equivalent resistance of *R* in parallel with $1k\Omega$, and the other represents the equivalent resistance of *R* in series with $1k\Omega$. Which is which?



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Approximate the voltage v in the circuit below:



Series Combinations of Other Components



Parallel Combinations of Other Components

