Exam 1a
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ECE 221: Electric Circuits
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- Write the first letter in your last name, your 6-digit identification number, and your student identification number below.
- Do not begin the exam or look at the problems until instructed to do so.
- You have 100 minutes to complete the exam.
- Do not use separate scratch paper. If you need more space, use the backs of the exam pages.
- If you have extra time, double check your answers. If you run out of time, write a note describing your strategy and equations that can be used to help solve the problem.

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Problem 4:_____ / 14

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1. **Fundamental Concepts (13 pts)**

Use the following table and circuit diagram to answer the following questions. The column labeled PSC represents whether the passive sign convention (PSC) is satisfied for each circuit element.

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<th>Voltage (V)</th>
<th>Current (I)</th>
<th>PSC (Y/N)</th>
<th>Power (W)</th>
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a. (8 pts) Fill in the missing values in the table above.

b. (1 pt) Which circuit elements could be resistors? Recall that resistors can only dissipate power. (Circle)

   a  b  c  d  e  f  g  h

   a  b  c  d  e  f  g  h

c. (1 pt) Which circuit elements could be voltage sources? (Circle)

d. (1 pt) How many essential nodes are in the circuit?

   \[ n = \] 

e. (1 pt) How many meshes are in the circuit?

   \[ m = \] 

f. (1 pt) What is the total power absorbed in the circuit.

   \[ P_{\text{abs}} = \]
2. **Resistive Networks (8 pts)**
Find the equivalent resistance of the circuits shown below.

a. (2 pts)

\[ R_{eq} = \text{__________} \]

b. (2 pts)

\[ R_{eq} = \text{__________} \]
2. Resistive Networks Continued (8 pts)
Find the equivalent resistance of the circuits shown below.

c. (2 pts)

\[ R_{eq} = \] ________

d. (2 pts)

\[ R_{eq} = \] ________
3. Mesh Current Method (15 points)

![Circuit Diagram](image)

a. (11 pts) Use the mesh-current method to write three independent equations in terms of the currents $i_a$, $i_b$, and $i_c$. Do not use any other variables in your equations. If appropriate, use a supermesh. You do not need to simplify your equations.

Equation 1:

Equation 2:

Equation 3:

b. (3 pts) Solve for the currents $i_a$, $i_b$, and $i_c$.

\[ i_a = \quad \quad \quad i_b = \quad \quad \quad i_c = \]

c. (1 pt) How much power is being absorbed by the dependent source?

\[ P_{500} = \]
4. Node Voltage Method & Supernodes (14 points)

![Circuit Diagram]

a. (9 pts) Use the node-voltage method to write three independent equations in terms of the node voltages $v_1$, $v_2$, and $v_3$. Do not use any other variables in your equations. If appropriate, use a supernode. You do not need to simplify your equations.

Eq. 1:

Eq. 2:

Eq. 3:

b. (3 pts) Solve for the node voltages $v_1$, $v_2$, and $v_3$.

$v_1 =$

$v_2 =$

$v_3 =$

c. (1 pt) What is $i_a$?

$i_a =$

d. (1 pt) What is $v_p$?

$v_p =$