

69. The voltage across the rightmost resistors is $V_{12} = (1.4 \text{ A})(8.0 \, \Omega + 4.0 \, \Omega) = 16.8 \text{ V}$, which is equal to V_{16} (the voltage across the $16 \, \Omega$ resistor, which has current equal to $V_{16}/(16 \, \Omega) = 1.05 \text{ A}$). By the junction rule, the current in the rightmost $2.0 \, \Omega$ resistor is $1.05 + 1.4 = 2.45 \text{ A}$, so its voltage is $V_2 = (2.0 \, \Omega)(2.45 \text{ A}) = 4.9 \text{ V}$. The loop rule tells us the voltage across the $2.0 \, \Omega$ resistor (the one going “downward” in the figure) is $V'_2 = V_2 + V_{16} = 21.7 \text{ V}$ (implying that the current through it is $i'_2 = V'_2/(2.0 \, \Omega) = 10.85 \text{ A}$). The junction rule now gives the current in the leftmost $2.0 \, \Omega$ resistor as $10.85 + 2.45 = 13.3 \text{ A}$, implying that the voltage across it is $V''_2 = (13.3 \text{ A})(2.0 \, \Omega) = 26.6 \text{ V}$. Therefore, by the loop rule, $\mathcal{E} = V''_2 + V'_2 = 48.3 \text{ V}$.