# **General Equations**

- KCL:  $\sum I_{in} = \sum I_{Out}$ Node's Input Current = Node's Output Current
- KVL:  $\sum V = 0$ Voltage across a loop totals to 0.
- Conservation of Power:  $\sum P = 0$
- Power: P = VI
- Ohm's Law: V = IR

### Resistors

- $\bullet V = IR$
- Equivalent Series Resistor:  $R_{eq} = \sum_{n=1}^{m} R_n$
- Equivalent Parallel Resistor:  $\frac{1}{R_{eq}} = \sum_{n=1}^{m} \frac{1}{R_{n}}$
- Series Voltage Division:  $V_1 = \frac{R_1}{R_1 + R_2} V_{Source}$
- Parallel Current Division:  $I_1 = \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} I_{Source}$

## Methods to Solve Equations

### **Nodal Analysis**

- 1. # of Nodes?  $\rightarrow n$
- 2. Make one node the reference node.
- 3. Assign n-1 nodal voltages
- 4. For a **voltage** source, write a CONSTRAINT EQUATION (Con. Eq.). If there is a voltage source between 2 non-reference nodes, make that a **SUPERNODE**.
- 5. Write KCL at each node. (n-1) equations.
- 6. Solve Equations.

### Mesh/Loop Analysis

- 1. # of Nodes?  $\rightarrow n$  # of Branches?  $\rightarrow b$
- 2. # of meshes/loops?  $\rightarrow b n + 1 = l$
- 3. Assign l loop currents.
- 4. For **current** sources, write a CONSTRAINT EQUATION (Con. Eq.). If there is a current source between 2 meshes, that's a **SUPERMESH**.
- 5. Write KVL for each mesh.
- 6. Solve Equations.

#### Source Transformations

**ALL** source transformations obey Ohm's Law. V = IR. This will **ONLY** work on resistors in series with **VOLTAGE** sources, or resistors in parallel with **CURRENT** sources.





Figure 1: Left: Voltage Source in Series with a Resistor, Right: Current Source in Parallel with a Resistor

## Capacitors and Inductors

| Relation       | R   | C   | L   |
|----------------|---|---|---|
| v-i            | V = IR  | $v = \frac{1}{C} \int_{t_0}^t i(x) dx + v(t_0)$                             | $v = L \frac{di}{dt}$   |
| i-v            | $I = \frac{V}{R}$   | $i = C \frac{dv}{dt}$   | $i = \frac{1}{L} \int_{t_0}^t v(x) dx + i(t_0)$                             |
| P or W         | $P = I^2 R = \frac{V^2}{R}$   | $P = \frac{1}{2}Cv_c^2$   | $W = \frac{1}{2}Li_l^2$   |
| Series         | $R_{eq} = R_1 + R_2 + \ldots + R_n$   | $\frac{1}{C_{eq}} = \frac{1}{C_1} + \frac{1}{C_2} + \ldots + \frac{1}{C_n}$ | $L_{eq} = L_1 + L_2 + \ldots + L_n$   |
| Parallel       | $\frac{1}{R_{eq}} = \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} + \ldots + \frac{1}{R_n}$ | $C_{eq} = C_1 + C_2 + \ldots + C_n$   | $\frac{1}{L_{eq}} = \frac{1}{L_1} + \frac{1}{L_2} + \ldots + \frac{1}{L_n}$ |
| @ Steady State | Same (Nothing Happens)  | Open Circuit  | Short Circuit   |

## Thevenin and Norton Equivalents

- ONLY independent sources Zero all sources, find  $R_{eq}$ .
  - 0-ing Current Sources = OC
  - 0-ing Voltage Sources = SC
  - Look at circuit from load's perspective for  $R_{eq}$
  - $-V_{Th} = V_{OC}$
  - $-I_N = I_{SC}$
- BOTH dependent and independent sources
  - Find  $V_{Th} = V_{OC}$
  - Find  $I_N = I_{SC}$
  - Solve  $R_{Th} = \frac{V_{OC}}{I_{SC}}$
- ONLY dependent sources
  - $-V_{Th}=0$
  - $-I_N=0$
  - $-R_{Th}=R_N \rightarrow \text{Attach test source @ load.}$ 
    - \* If voltage test source, find current
    - \* If current test source, find voltage
  - $-R_{Th} = \frac{V}{I}$
- Maximum Power Transfer

$$R_{Load} = R_{Th}$$

$$P_{Max} = \frac{V_{Th}^2}{4R_{Th}}$$

# Superposition

- # of sources, n, determines the number of equations you will have.
- Shut off each source, one at a time, solving for the term that you want.

- Voltage Source = SC
- Current Source = OC
- Sum each of the individual terms together.  $\sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i$

### Solving for RL, RC Circuits

#### Shortcut Method

 $x(t) = x(\infty) + (x(0) - x(\infty))e^{\frac{-t}{\tau}}$ , where x could be voltage or current  $\tau = RC$  or  $\tau = \frac{L}{R}$ 

#### Differential Method

- 1. Start by finding the initial value of the voltage across the capacitor or current through the inductor.  $t = 0^-$ , if switch closes at t = 0.
- 2. Use KCL or KVL on the portion of the circuit with the capacitor or inductor.
- 3. Solve the first-order homogenous linear differential equation, with its characteristic equation.
- 4. You should end with a solution that is similar to this:  $x(t) = K_1 e^m + x_s$ , where m is the solution to the characteristic equation.

### Solving for RLC Circuits

#### Shortcut Method

$$\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + 2\alpha \frac{dx}{dt} + \omega_0^2 x = \omega_0^2 A_S$$

$$S = -\alpha \pm \sqrt{\alpha^2 - \omega_0^2}$$

There are 3 cases.

Where  $A_S$  is the source, and  $K_1$  and  $K_2$  are constants that are found:

- 1.  $\alpha > \omega_0 \longrightarrow \text{Overdamped}$  $x(t) = A_S + K_1 e^{S_1 t} + K_2 e^{S_2 t}$
- 2.  $\alpha = \omega_0 \longrightarrow \text{Critically Damped}$  $x(t) = A_S + (K_1 + K_2 t) e^{-\alpha t}$
- 3.  $\alpha < \omega_0 \longrightarrow \text{Underdamped}$   $x(t) = A_S + (K_1 \cos(\omega_d t) + K_2 \sin(\omega_d t)) e^{-\alpha t}$  $\omega_d = \sqrt{\omega_0^2 - \alpha^2}$

#### Differential Method

- 1. Start by finding the voltage across the capacitor or current through the inductor.  $(t = 0^{-})$ , this is your first initial condition.
- 2. Finding a basic equation for the circuit.  $v_R + v_C + v_L = V_S$ , or  $i_R + i_C + i_L = I_S$ .
- 3. Using as an example,  $v_R + v_C + v_L = 0$ .
  - (a) Substitute in what you want to find, using the equations present in the relation table.  $L\frac{di}{dt} + \frac{1}{C} \int_0^t i_C(x) dx + v_C(0) + iR = V_S$
  - (b) Find the second initial condition by putting t=0 into the above equation, and solving for  $\frac{di}{dt}$ .  $L\frac{di}{dt} + \frac{1}{C} \int_0^0 i_C(x) dx + v_C(0) + iR = 0 \longrightarrow L\frac{di}{dt} + \frac{1}{C}(0) + v_C(0) + iR = V_S$
  - (c) Remove the integral by differentiating the equation.  $\{L\frac{di}{dt} + \frac{1}{C} \int_0^t i_C(x) dx + v_C(0) + iR = V_S\} \frac{d}{dt} \longrightarrow L\frac{d^2i}{dt^2} + \frac{1}{C}i_C(t) + R\frac{di}{dt} = 0$
  - (d) Solve the 2nd Order, Linear, Homogenous Differential Equation. (Characteristic Equation  $m^2 + \frac{R}{L}m + \frac{1}{LC} = 0$ )  $\frac{d^2i}{dt} + \frac{R}{L}\frac{di}{dt} + \frac{1}{LC}i = 0$

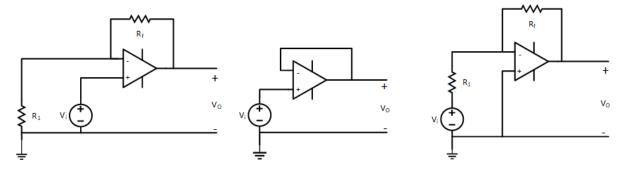
- (e) Solving this equation will generate an equation for i(t).  $i(t)=K_1e^{m_1}+K_2e^{m_2}+I_S$
- (f) Solve for  $K_1$  and  $K_2$  by using the 2 initial conditions you found earlier.
- 4. If you want to find the other half of the equation, voltage across the inductor, or current through a capacitor, use the appropriate relation equation.

## Op Amps

#### **ONLY** 2 rules:

The two terminals of the op amp are denoted by the + and -.

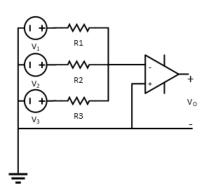
- 1.  $v^+ = v^-$
- 2.  $i^+ = i^- = 0$

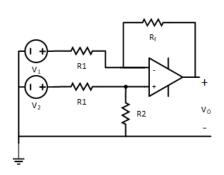


 $V_O = V_i$ 

Figure 2: Left: Non-Inverting Amplifier, Middle: Buffer, Right: Inverting Amplifier

 $V_O = \left(1 + \frac{R_f}{R_1}\right) V_i$ 





 $V_O = \frac{R_2}{R_1} (V_2 - V_1)$ 

 $V_O = \frac{-R_f}{R_1} V_i, R_f \neq R_1$ 

Figure 3: Left: Inverter, Middle: Summer, Right: Difference Amplifier

$$V_O = \frac{-R_f}{R_1} V_i, R_f = R_1$$

$$V_O = -R_f \left( \frac{V_1}{R_1} + \frac{V_2}{R_2} + \frac{V_3}{R_3} \right)$$

Figure 4: Left: Integrator, Right: Differentiator

$$V_O(t) - V_O(0) = \frac{-1}{RC} \int_0^t v_i dt$$

$$V_O = -R_f C \frac{dv_i}{dt}$$

# Diodes

In an ideal diode, current is only allowed to flow in one direction, the direction of the arrow.



In an ideal diode, there are 2 cases:

- 1.  $V_{Anode} V_{Cathode} > 0$  Anode Voltage > Cathode Voltage The diode is **ON**. Current will flow.
- 2.  $V_{Anode} V_{Cathode} < 0$  Anode Voltage < Cathode Voltage The diode is **OFF**. Current will not flow.

In reality, a silicon diode needs a 0.7V drop across the diode. A germanium diode needs a 0.3V drop.