

## 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

- $V = IR$
- 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.

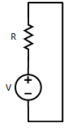


Figure 1: Left: Voltage Source in Series with a Resistor, Right: Current Source in Parallel with a Resistor

## 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	$P = I^2 R = \frac{V^2}{R}$	$P = \frac{1}{2} C v_c^2$	$W = \frac{1}{2} L i_l^2$
Series	$R_{eq} = R_1 + R_2 + \dots + R_n$	$\frac{1}{C_{eq}} = \frac{1}{C_1} + \frac{1}{C_2} + \dots + \frac{1}{C_n}$	$L_{eq} = L_1 + L_2 + \dots + L_n$
Parallel	$\frac{1}{R_{eq}} = \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} + \dots + \frac{1}{R_n}$	$C_{eq} = C_1 + C_2 + \dots + C_n$	$\frac{1}{L_{eq}} = \frac{1}{L_1} + \frac{1}{L_2} + \dots + \frac{1}{L_n}$
@ 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
  - $V_{Th} = 0$
  - $I_N = 0$
  - $R_{Th} = R_N \rightarrow$  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:  $x(t) = K_1 e^{mt} + x_s$ , where  $m$  is the solution to the characteristic equation.

## Solving for RLC Circuits

### Shortcut Method

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

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

There are 3 cases.

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

1.  $\alpha > \omega_0 \rightarrow$  Overdamped  
 $x(t) = A_S + K_1 e^{S_1 t} + K_2 e^{S_2 t}$
2.  $\alpha = \omega_0 \rightarrow$  Critically Damped  
 $x(t) = A_S + (K_1 + K_2 t) e^{-\alpha t}$
3.  $\alpha < \omega_0 \rightarrow$  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  $\frac{di}{dt}$ .  
 $L \frac{di}{dt} + \frac{1}{C} \int_0^0 i_C(x) dx + v_C(0) + iR = 0 \rightarrow L \frac{di}{dt} + \frac{1}{C}(0) + v_C(0) + iR = V_S$
  - (c) Remove the integral by differentiating the equation.  
 $\{L \frac{di}{dt} + \frac{1}{C} \int_0^t i_C(x) dx + v_C(0) + iR = V_S\} \frac{d}{dt} \rightarrow L \frac{d^2i}{dt^2} + \frac{1}{C} i_C(t) + R \frac{di}{dt} = 0$
  - (d) Solve the 2nd Order, Linear, Homogenous Differential Equation. (Characteristic Equation  $m^2 + \frac{R}{L}m + \frac{1}{LC} = 0$ )  
 $\frac{d^2i}{dt^2} + \frac{R}{L} \frac{di}{dt} + \frac{1}{LC} i = 0$

(e) Solving this equation will generate an equation for  $i(t)$ .

$$i(t) = K_1 e^{m_1} + K_2 e^{m_2} + I_S$$

(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.  $i^+ = i^- = 0$

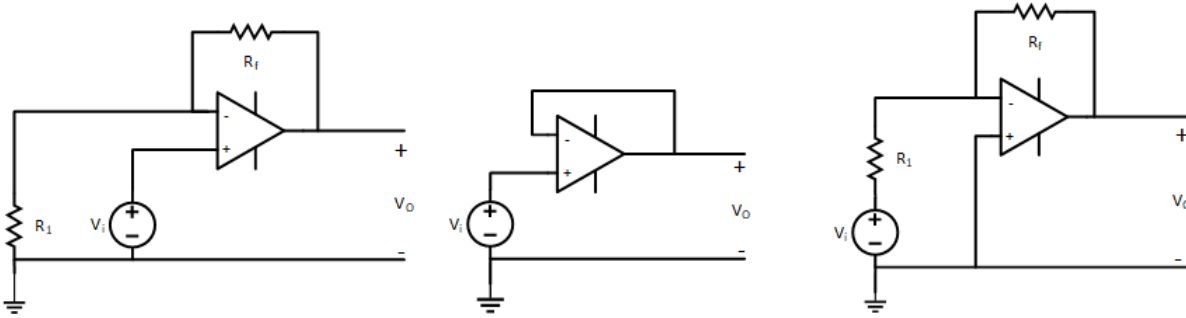


Figure 2: Left: Non-Inverting Amplifier, Middle: Buffer, Right: Inverting Amplifier

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

$$V_O = V_i$$

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

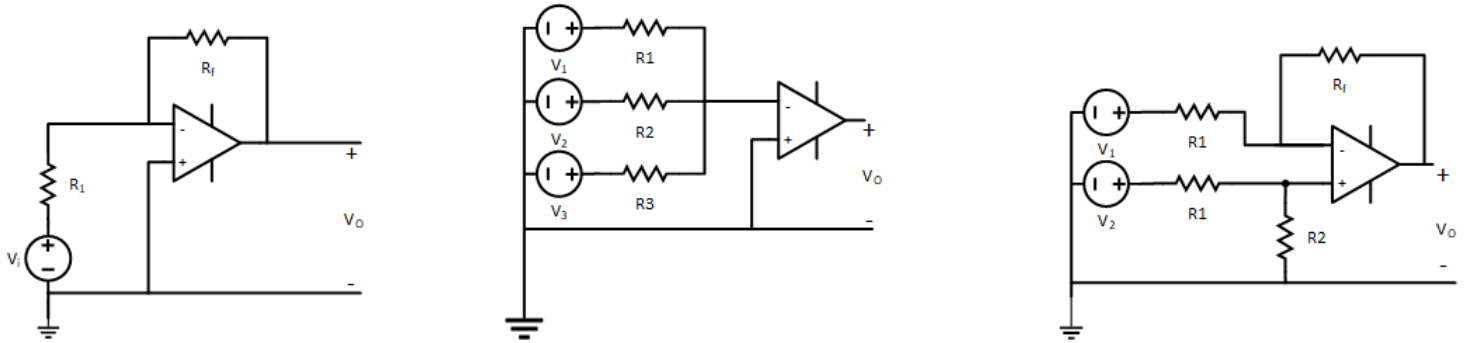


Figure 3: Left: Inverter, Middle: Summer, Right: Difference Amplifier

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

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

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



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.