1 KVL/KCL Review

Kirchhoff's Circuit Laws are two important laws used for analyzing circuits. Kirchhoff's Current Law (KCL) says that the sum of all currents entering a node must equal 0. For example, in Figure 1, the sum of all currents entering node 1 is $I_1 - I_2 - I_3 = 0$. Assuming that I_1 and I_3 are known, we can easily obtain a solvable equation for V_x by applying Ohm's law: $I_1 - \frac{V_x}{R_1} - I_3 = 0$.

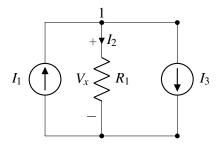


Figure 1: KCL Circuit

Kirchhoff's Voltage Law (KVL) states that the sum of all voltages in a circuit loop must equal 0. To apply KVL to the circuit shown in Figure 2, we can add up voltages in the loop in the counterclockwise direction, which yields $-V_1 + V_x + V_y = 0$. Using the relationships $V_x = i \cdot R_1$ and $i = I_1$, we can solve for all unknowns in this circuit. You can use these two laws to solve any circuit that is planar and linear.

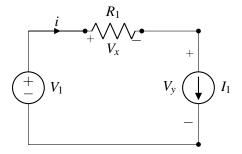


Figure 2: KVL Circuit

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2 Op-amp Review

Figure 3 shows the equivalent model of an op-amp. It is important to note that this is the general model of an op-amp, so our op-amp golden rules cannot be applied to this unless certain conditions are met.

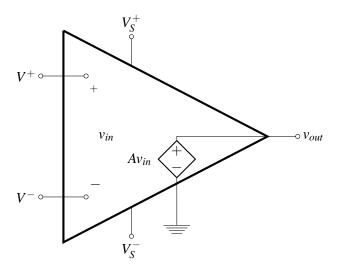


Figure 3: General Op-Amp Model

Conditions Required for the Golden Rules:

- (a) $R_{in} \rightarrow \infty$
- (b) $R_{out} \rightarrow 0$
- (c) $A \rightarrow \infty$
- (d) The op-amp must be operated in negative feedback.

When conditions 1-3 are met, the op-amp is considered ideal. Figure 4 shows an ideal op-amp in negative feedback, which can be analyzed using the Golden Rules.

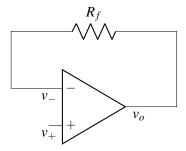


Figure 4: Ideal Op-Amp in Negative Feedback

Golden Rules of ideal op-amps in negative feedback:

- (a) No current can flow into the input terminals $(I_{-} = 0 \text{ and } I_{+} = 0)$.
- (b) The (+) and (-) terminals are at the same voltage $(V_+ = V_-)$.

If you would like to review these concepts more in-depth, you can check out op-amp introduction and op-amp negative feedback from the EE16A spring 2018 course notes.

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Use Kirchhoff's Laws on the circuit below to find V_x in terms of V_{in} , R_1 , R_2 , R_3 .

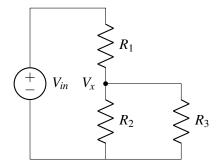


Figure 5: Example Circuit

- (a) What is V_x ?
- (b) As $R_3 \to \infty$, what is V_x ? What is the name we used for this type of circuit?

2. Op-Amp Summer

Consider the following circuit:

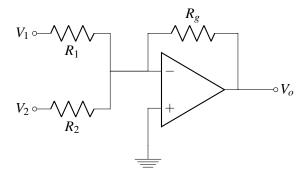


Figure 6: Op-amp Summer

What is the output V_o in terms of V_1 and V_2 ? You may assume that R_1 , R_2 , and R_g are known.