Dmytro's First Project (LANA algorithm)

Circuit with 10 Resistors, 3 Voltage Sources, 2 Current Sources (Revised version of Example 4.2.1 p. 122 of Artice Davis's Textbook)

Ideal schematic diagram

In this example, we build an electric circuit that includes ten $1k\Omega$ resistors, two 5V dc voltage sources one 2.5V dc voltage source, one 2.5mA dc current source, and one 1.0mA dc current source. Figure 1 is an ideal circuit diagram that provides a complete description of this circuit. Notice that in this diagram, we label and enumerate each ideal circuit element and assign associated values.

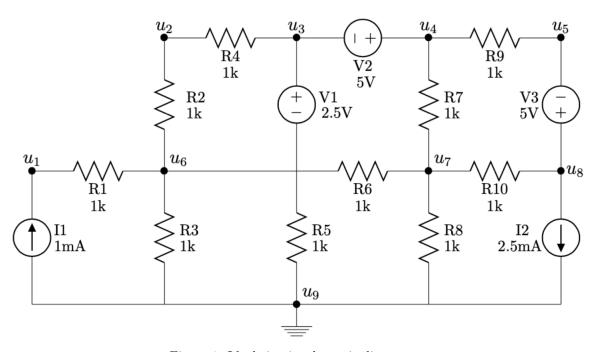


Figure 1: Ideal circuit schematic diagram

Project 1: Parts needed for this circuit

To build this circuit, we need the following parts:

□ One half-size 2.2"x 3.4"solderless breadboard
 □ Ten 1k resistors (brn-brn-blk-blk-brn)
 □ One red 0.2" jumper wires
 □ One orange 0.3" jumper wires
 □ One grey 0.8" jumper wires
 □ One 2.5 M dc current source
 □ One blue 0.6" jumper wire
 □ One 1.0 m A dc current source

Project 1: Get started with a picture of the physical circuit

In Figure 2, we see a wiring diagram for the circuit we build in this example. The reader can find detailed instructions on how to prototype this circuit at the bottom of this page under the "Project 1: Build this circuit" section.

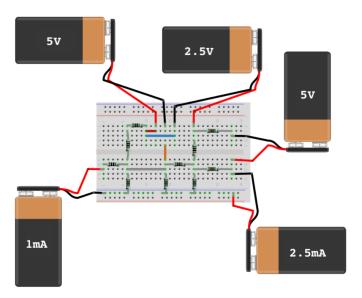


Figure 2: Digital Wiring Diagram for the Real Circuit.

Project 1: Build this circuit

To build the circuit, please grab all the necessary parts described in the "Project 1: Parts needed for this circuit" section on the first page of this document. Then, follow the instructions below:

- 1. \square Disconnect batteries from dc sources
- 2. \square Insert red 0.2" jumper across i10 and i12
- 3. \square Insert orange 0.3" jumper across e14 and f14
- 4. \square Insert grey 0.8" jumper across c6 and c14
- 5. \square Insert blue 0.6" jumper across h10 and h16
- 6. □ Insert resistor R1 across d1 and d6
- 7.

 Insert resistor R2 across e6 and i6
- 8. □ Insert resistor R3 across j6 and j10
- 9. \square Insert resistor R4 across b8 and LN6
- 10. □ Insert resistor R5 across b14 and LN11
- 11. \square Insert resistor R6 across d14 and d20

- 12. \square Insert resistor R7 across e20 and g20
- 13. □ Insert resistor R8 across b20 and LN16
- 14. ☐ Insert resistor R9 across i20 and i28
- 15. \square Insert resistor R10 across c20 and c28
- 16. \square Insert red lead of V1 in j12 and blk lead in j14
- 17. \square Insert white lead of V2 in j20 and blk lead in j16
- 18. \square Insert red lead of V3 in e28 and blk lead in h28
- 19. \square Insert white lead of I1 in c1 and blk lead in LN1
- 20. \square Insert red lead of I2 in LN24 and blk lead in b28
- 21. \square Connect the batteries to the dc power sources

Project 1: Measure the node voltage potentials

Using the digital multimeter, let's measure the voltage potential at the nine nodes of our circuit. We begin by connecting the negative lead of our multimeter to node nine. Then, we connect the positive lead of the multimeter to each of the nine nodes, one by one, to capture the voltage meter. In figure 3, we enumerate the node locations on the wiring diagram for this circuit.

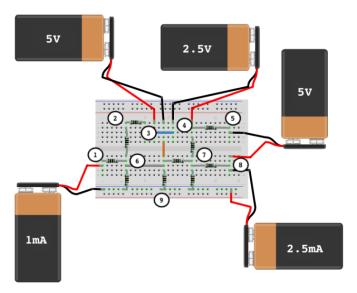


Figure 3: Node Labels on Wiring Diagram.

As we capture this data, we fill out the table below.

LANA Project 1, Table 1: Node potential measurements

Node		Measured value (V)	
1	u_1	-0.84	-0.8684
2	u_2	0.62	0.6316
3	u_3	3.13	3.1316
4	u_4	5.61	5.6316
5	u_5	0.18	0.1842
6	u_6	-1.84	-1.8684
7	u_7	2.22	2.2368
8	u_8	5.17	5.1842
9	u_9	0	0

Compare and contrast the ideal schematic and wiring diagram

Let's compare and contrast the ideal diagram with the wiring diagram. Notice that each ideal circuit element seen in Figure 1 corresponds to a unique real circuit element pictured in Figure 2. Using this observation, please make a bijection between the ideal circuit elements and the corresponding physical components used to build the real circuit. By doing so, we train ourselves to translate back and forth between an ideal circuit schematic diagram and the corresponding wiring diagram. This is valuable skill and takes practice.

In the work that follows, we analyze the electrical behavior of this circuit using the linear-algebraic nodal analysis (LANA) algorithm. Interested readers can download a full description of this algorithm on the support website for this work, provided at the URL below:

http://www.appliedlinearalgebra.com/blog/for-teachers/linear-algebra-laboratory-exercises/electrify-linear-systems

On that website, readers can click on the link titled "The Linear Algebraic Nodal Analysis Algorithm (.pdf)." This will open a two-page document with a detailed overview of each step of the LANA algorithm. For a more thorough description of this work, readers might consult the paper *Electrify the linear systems problem for our students*. A soft copy of this paper is also available on the same support website mentioned above. Let's begin analyzing our circuit with the first step of the LANA algorithm.

Step 1: Identify and label the entire set of nodes in our circuit

We start our work in the LANA algorithm by explicitly identifying and enumerating the individual nodes of our ideal circuit. To do so, we use the *node identification heuristic* in which we erase the element bodies of all ideal circuit elements and leave only the leads. The remaining, contiguous segments of conductor are known as the *nodes* of the circuit. In Figure 3 below, we redraw our ideal circuit schematic diagram from in Figure 1 using this node identification heuristic. We then count and enumerate the nodes of this circuit using positive integers. In this example, we see our circuit has nine nodes.

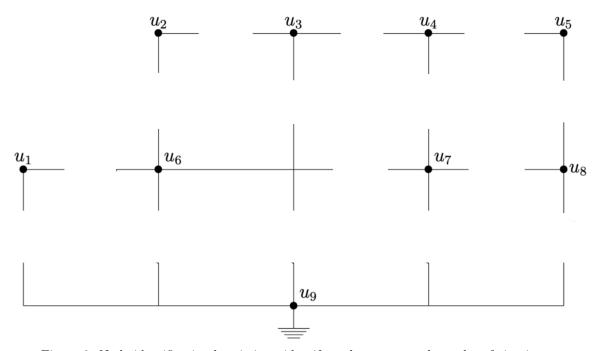


Figure 3: Node identification heuristic to identify and enumerate the nodes of circuit.

Step 2: Model the circuit using a directed graph

The second step in the LANA algorithm is to represent the topology of our circuit as a directed graph $\mathcal{G} = (\mathcal{N}, \mathcal{E})$. We should, of course, check that we are given a complete description of a circuit that contains only resistors, dc voltage sources, and dc current sources. The circuit presented in Figure 1 of this example meets these specifications.

Step 2A: Track the dimensions of key features in our circuit

The nodes of our digraph correspond to the circuit nodes and represent the interconnections between the circuit elements. For this specific example, we see

$$\mathcal{N} = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9\}.$$

The positive integer $n_g \in \mathbb{N}$ denotes the number of elements in our set of nodes \mathcal{N} . In this example, $n_g = 9$ since we identified and enumerated 9 nodes in step 1 of this algorithm.

Next, we replace each circuit element with a directed edge in our digraph model. We can write each edge $e \in \mathcal{E}$ as an ordered pair of nodes with $\mathcal{E} \subset \mathcal{N} \times \mathcal{N}$. The direction of edge e = (2,1) goes from node 2 to node 1. In other words, we say that edge e = (2,1) leaves node 2 and enters node 1.

The variable $m \in \mathbb{N}$ represents the total number of edges in our graph. Because each edge of our digraph corresponds to a single circuit element, the number of edges equals the number of circuit elements. To count the edges, we sum of the number of resistors, denoted as $m_r \in \mathbb{N}$, the number of dc voltage sources, denoted as a nonnegative integer $m_v \in \mathbb{Z}$, and the number of dc current sources, denoted as a nonnegative integer $m_i \in \mathbb{Z}$. Mathematically, we write

$$m = m_r + m_v + m_i.$$

As we see in Figures 1 and 2, there are a total of $m_r = 10$ resistors, $m_v = 3$ dc voltage sources, and $m_i = 2$ current sources. Accordingly, our directed graph model of this circuit has m = 15 edges.

Step 2B: Orient and enumerate the edges of the digraph

We choose the direction of each edge using some knowledge of electronics. Specifically, we orient each edge associated with a dc current source in the same direction as the current flow provided by said source. The direction of each edge corresponding to a dc voltage source points from the positive "+" lead to the negative "-" lead of that source. Finally, we assign arbitrary directions to all edges corresponding to current flowing through the resistors.

We should note that we choose a very special enumeration scheme for the edges of our circuit. First we count and label all edges corresponding to resistors as edges $e_1, e_2, ..., e_{m_r}$. We continue our edge count by labeling the edges associated with the voltage sources, yielding edges $e_{m_r+1}, ..., e_{m_r+m_v}$. Finally, we enumerate our edges corresponding to current sources, producing edges $e_{m_r+m_v+1}, ..., e_m$.

The only condition required in each count is that we have a bijection between circuit elements and graph edges. Although no specific sub-ordering is necessary, we recommend counting from top to bottom, left to right whenever possible. By enumerating our edges using these guidelines, we enable a useful partition of the matrices and vectors that model our circuit. Figure 4 above combine our rules for drawing directed edges with the enumeration scheme to produce a visual representation of our set of edges. We can also write this choice of edges in set notation as

$$\mathcal{E} = \{ \underbrace{(1,6)}_{e_1}, \underbrace{(2,6)}_{e_2}, \underbrace{(6,9)}_{e_3}, \underbrace{(3,2)}_{e_4}, \underbrace{(6,9)}_{e_5}, \underbrace{(6,7)}_{e_6}, \underbrace{(7,4)}_{e_7}, \underbrace{(7,9)}_{e_8}, \underbrace{(5,4)}_{e_9}, \underbrace{(9,8)}_{e_{10}}, \underbrace{(4,3)}_{e_{11}}, \underbrace{(3,6)}_{e_{12}}, \underbrace{(8,5)}_{e_{13}}, \underbrace{(9,1)}_{e_{14}}, \underbrace{(8,9)}_{e_{15}} \}$$

Step 2C: Draw a directed graph model of the circuit.

Using the guidelines provided above, we draw a digraph model of our circuit, seen in Figure 4.

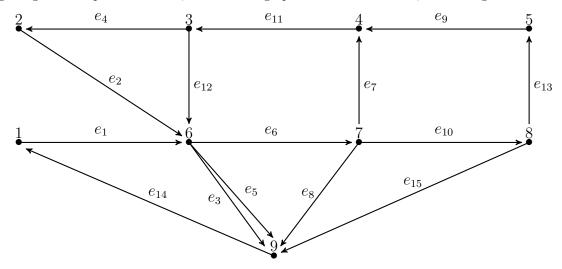


Figure 4: Digraph to model of our circuit in which each circuit element is replaced by a directed edge. In this diagram, we have labeled each node of the digraph labeled using an integer.

Step 3: Create the entire incidence matrix

Next, we construct a *entire incidence matrix* to model the connectivity of the nodes in this directed graph. The entry-by-entry definition of the entire incidence matrix $A_q \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n_g}$ is given by

$$a_{jk} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if edge } e_j \text{ leaves node } k, \\ -1 & \text{if edge } e_j \text{ enters node } k, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

for j = 1, 2, ..., m and $k = 1, 2, ..., n_g$. We see that the rows and columns of this matrix correspond to the edges and the nodes of our digraph, respectively. Below we set up this entire incidence matrix table and explicitly label the rows and columns of this matrix:

					1	Vode	s			
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	e_1	1	0	0	0	0	-1	0	0	0
	e_2	0	1	0	0	0	-1	0	0	0
	e_3	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	-1
	e_4	0	-1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
	e_5	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	-1
ges	e_6	0	0	0	0	0	1	-1	0	0
Edges	e_7	0	0	0	-1	0	0	1	0	0
	e_8	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	-1
	e_9	0	0	0	-1	1	0	0	0	0
	e_{10}	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	-1	0
	e_{11}	0	0	-1	1	_ 0 _	0	_ 0	-0	$\bar{0}$
	e_{12}	0	0	1	0	0	-1	0	0	0
	e_{13}	0	0	0	0	-1	0	0	1	0
	e_{14}	-1	-0	_0_	_0	_ 0 _	0	_ 0 _	-0	$\bar{1}$
	e_{15}	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	-1

Table 1: Directed Incidence Table

We can transform this table into the block-partitioned entire incidence matrix

where $A_{r_g} \in \mathbb{R}^{m_r \times n_g}$, $A_{v_g} \in \mathbb{R}^{m_v \times n_g}$, and $A_{i_g} \in \mathbb{R}^{m_i \times n_g}$. When defining the block partitions of any matrix or vector in our modeling scheme, we use subscripts r, v, and i denote the subblocks corresponding to digraph edges that encode resistors, voltage sources, and current sources, respectively.

Step 4: Create all circuit vectors

The fourth step in our LANA algorithm is to describe the electrical behavior of each element in this circuit using variables that are easy to organize, refer to, and manipulate. For this purpose, we rely on matrix and vector arithmetic from applied linear algebra. In particular, we store all pertinent circuit variables in vector format. This structure facilitates our ability to state the set of key circuit equations in matrix form.

Step 4A: Define circuit variables for the node voltage potentials

From step 1 of our algorithm, we know this there are $n_g = 9$ distinct nodes in this circuit. Thus, let's create a vector $\mathbf{u}_g \in \mathbb{R}^{n_g}$ of node voltage potentials given by

$$\mathbf{u}_{2} \begin{bmatrix} u_{1} \\ u_{2} \\ u_{3} \\ u_{4} \\ u_{5} \\ u_{6} \\ u_{7} \end{bmatrix} \text{ the voltage potential of node 1} \\ \text{the voltage potential of node 2} \\ \text{the voltage potential of node 3} \\ \text{the voltage potential of node 4} \\ \text{the voltage potential of node 5} \\ \text{the voltage potential of node 6} \\ \text{the voltage potential of node 7} \\ \text{the voltage potential of node 8} \\ \text{the voltage potential of node 9} \\ \text{the voltage p$$

As described below, in step 7 of the LANA algorithm we specifically choose a designate a datum node $d \in \mathcal{N}$, also called the ground node. Once we do so, we set the corresponding voltage potential $u_d = 0$. However, in this early stage of our modeling process, we include all node voltage potentials in the vector \mathbf{u}_g . The subscript g indicates that the ground node is included and has yet to be deleted.

Step 4B: Define circuit variables for the voltage drops across each element

Next, we create our vector $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ that stores the voltage drop across each element, with

$$\mathbf{v}_{t} \begin{bmatrix} v_{1} \\ v_{2} \\ v_{3} \\ v_{4} \\ v_{5} \\ v_{6} \\ v_{7} \\ v_{10} \\ \mathbf{v}_{11} \\ \mathbf{v}_{1} \\ \mathbf{v}_{1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \text{the voltage drop across resistor 1} \\ \text{the voltage drop across resistor 2} \\ \text{the voltage drop across resistor 3} \\ \text{the voltage drop across resistor 4} \\ \text{the voltage drop across resistor 5} \\ \text{the voltage drop across resistor 6} \\ \text{the voltage drop across resistor 7} \\ \text{the voltage drop across resistor 8} \\ \text{the voltage drop across resistor 9} \\ \text{the voltage drop across resistor 10} \\ \text{the voltage drop across voltage source 1} \\ \text{the voltage drop across voltage source 2} \\ \text{the voltage drop across voltage source 3} \\ \text{the voltage drop across current source 1} \\ \text{the voltage drop across current source 2} \\ \end{bmatrix}$$

where $\mathbf{v}_r \in \mathbb{R}^{m_r}$, $\mathbf{v}_v \in \mathbb{R}^{m_v}$, and $\mathbf{v}_i \in \mathbb{R}^{m_i}$. Since we calculate one voltage drop across each element in our circuit and since there are precisely m=15 elements in our circuit, we know there are exactly 15 entries in this vector. Due to our chosen strategy for enumerating the edges, the vector \mathbf{v} lists all voltage drops across the resistors followed by the voltage drops across the voltage sources and ending with voltage drops across the current sources. The stated partition of \mathbf{v} that includes subblocks $\mathbf{v}_r, \mathbf{v}_v, \mathbf{v}_i$ follows from this ordering.

Step 4C: Define circuit variables for the current running through each element

Finally, we create our vector $\mathbf{i} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ to store the current running through each element, given by

$$\mathbf{i}_r = \begin{bmatrix} i_1 \\ i_2 \\ i_3 \\ i_4 \\ i_5 \\ i_6 \\ i_7 \\ i_9 \\ i_{10} \\ \vdots \\ i_0 \\ i_1 \\ i_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \text{the current through resistor 1} \\ \text{the current through resistor 2} \\ \text{the current through resistor 3} \\ \text{the current through resistor 4} \\ \text{the current through resistor 5} \\ \text{the current through resistor 6} \\ \text{the current through resistor 7} \\ \text{the current through resistor 8} \\ \text{the current through resistor 9} \\ \text{the current through resistor 10} \\ \text{the current through voltage source 1} \\ \text{the current through voltage source 2} \\ \text{the current through current source 2} \\ \text{the current through current source 2} \\ \end{bmatrix}$$

where $\mathbf{i}_r \in \mathbb{R}^{m_r}$, $\mathbf{i}_v \in \mathbb{R}^{m_v}$, and $\mathbf{i}_i \in \mathbb{R}^{m_i}$. Since we calculate one current through each element in our circuit and since there are precisely 15 branches in this example network, we know there are exactly 15 entries in this vector. Again, using the same convention, we list all currents through the resistors first, followed by the currents through the voltage sources and finally the currents through the current sources.

Step 5: State the entire set of circuit equations

In step five of the LANA algorithm, we state the entire set of circuit equations which include the circuit KVLs, the circuit BCRs, and the circuit KCLs. Let's take a look at each of these equations. We also see how to combine these together to form a compact set of circuit equations that capture the electrical behavior of our circuit in a single matrix equation.

Step 5A: State entire set of Kirchoff's voltage laws in node potential form

We recall that our complete set of circuit equations begins with Kirchoff's voltage law in node potential form can be stated in block form as follows:

$$A_g \mathbf{u}_g = \mathbf{v} \qquad \Leftrightarrow \qquad \begin{bmatrix} A_{r_g} \mathbf{u}_g \\ A_{v_g} \mathbf{u}_g \\ A_{i_g} \mathbf{u}_g \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{v}_r \\ \mathbf{v}_v \\ \mathbf{v}_i \end{bmatrix}$$

Using the subblock partitioning of the incidence matrix A_g and the voltage drop vector, we state the resulting element-specific KVLs. We begin with the *entrie set of resistor KVLs*, given by

Notice that we can write the second subblock equation as a general linear-systems problem with known right-hand side vector. We call this equation the *entire set of voltage source KVLs in node potential form* and state these in matrix form as

$$A_{v_g} \mathbf{u}_g = \mathbf{v}_v \qquad \Leftrightarrow \qquad \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \\ u_4 \\ u_5 \\ u_6 \\ u_7 \\ u_8 \\ u_9 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} v_{v_1} \\ v_{v_2} \\ v_{v_3} \end{bmatrix}. \qquad (2)$$

We return to this general linear-system problem in steps 8, 9, and 10 of our algorithm. Finally, the *entire* set of current-source KVLs are given by the subblock equation

$$A_{i_g} \mathbf{u}_g = \mathbf{v}_i \qquad \Leftrightarrow \qquad \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \\ u_4 \\ u_5 \\ u_6 \\ u_7 \\ u_8 \\ u_9 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} v_{14} \\ v_{15} \end{bmatrix}. \tag{3}$$

Step 5B: State entire set of circuit branch constituent relations (BCRs)

Next, we state our branch constituent relations for the resistors in our circuit. In our case, we state the matrix version of Ohm's law given by the equation

$$\mathbf{v}_r = R \cdot \mathbf{i}_r \qquad \Leftrightarrow \qquad \qquad \mathbf{i}_r = G \cdot \mathbf{v}_r$$

where $R \in \mathbb{R}^{m_r \times m_r}$ is a diagonal matrix with the appropriate resistance values in each diagonal entry so that $v_k = r_k \cdot i_k$ for $k = 1, 2, ..., m_r$. Since the kth resistor Rk has positive resistance value $r_k > 0$, we can also rewrite our Ohm's law equations in conductance form, where the conductance matrix $G = R^{-1}$ is a diagonal and the main diagonal entries are defined by the conductances $g_k = 1/r_k$. In our physical circuit, we have

Step 5C: State entire set of Kirchoff's current laws

Finally we state the entire set of KCLs using the equation

$$A_g^T \mathbf{i} = \mathbf{0} \qquad \Leftrightarrow \qquad \left[A_{r_g}^T \mid A_{v_g}^T \mid A_{i_g}^T \right] \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i}_r \\ \mathbf{i}_v \\ \mathbf{i}_i \end{vmatrix} = \mathbf{0} \tag{5}$$

Since both A_q and i are block partitioned matrices, we can restate our KCL's as

$$A_{r_g}^T \cdot \mathbf{i}_r + A_{v_g}^T \cdot \mathbf{i}_v + A_{i_g}^T \cdot \mathbf{i}_i = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\tag{6}$$

We can state this equation in entry-by-entry form using the appropriate substitutions, yielding the equivalent equation

Each row of this equation encodes the sum of all currents the enter and leave the corresponding node. Indeed, the entire incidence matrix A_g and each column of A_g corresponds to the nodes of our circuit. These KCL equations are written using the transpose of A_g . Since the transpose operation swaps rows and columns, it makes sense that the rows of the KCL equations also correspond to the nodes of our circuit.

Step 6: Determine the ordinary and generalized nodes of the circuit

Our next step is to determine the ordinary and generalized nodes of the circuit. We can do this by deactivating the circuit. To do so, we replace each current source with an open circuit by simply erasing the element bodies for each current source. On the other hand, we replace each voltage source with a short circuit by drawing each voltage source as a single lead.

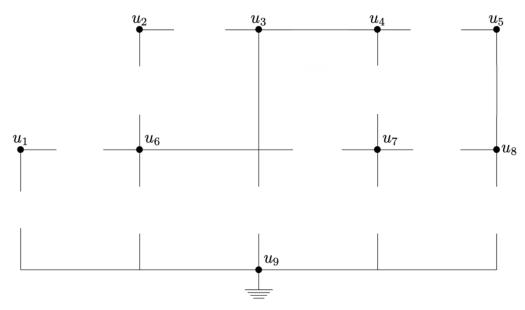


Figure 6: Redrawn node identification heuristic diagram for deactivated circuit.

Each generalized node in our system is actually a set of individual circuit nodes that we identified in Step 1 of our algorithm and that are connected by dc voltage sources. On the other hand, we say that an ordinary node of our system is a single node that we identified in Step 1 of our algorithm and to which no voltage source is connected. In step 8 of the LANA algorithm, we use these node categories to strategically reduce our system of equations. For now, our goal is to classify every node in our system as either belonging to a generalized node or as an ordinary node. For the specific circuit seen in Figure 1 of this example, our node classification scheme is provided in Table II below.

Type of node	Set of node indices	Node variables	Cardinality
Ordinary nodes	$\{1, 2, 7, 9\}$	u_1, u_2, u_7, u_9	4
Generalized node 1	$\{3, 4, 6\}$	u_3, u_4, u_6	3
Generalized node 2	$\{5, 8\}$	u_5, u_8	2

Table II: Classification of ordinary and generalized nodes

Step 7: Ground the circuit

Step 7A: Choose a datum node for the circuit

In this case, let's choose our datum node to be node d = 9. Using the column-partition definition of matrix-vector multiplication, we can revisit the *entrie set of resistor KVLs*, given by

Since we choose node 9 as our ground node, we set $u_9 = 0$ and the entire ninth column of this matrix disappears from our KVL equations. Thus, to express the grounded circuit equations, we have no need to mention the seventh column nor do we need to refer to the entry u_9 once we've grounded our circuit. With this observation in mind, we define the ground node deflation matrix

$$D_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

We then create the grounded voltage potential vector

$$\mathbf{u}_0 = D_0^T \mathbf{u}_g$$

We specify the entry-by-entry definition of this product as follows

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \\ u_4 \\ u_5 \\ u_6 \\ u_7 \\ u_8 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{u}_0} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{D_0^T} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \\ u_4 \\ u_5 \\ u_6 \\ u_7 \\ u_8 \\ u_9 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{u}_0} \tag{8}$$

Step 7B: Ground the circuit equations using deflation

We then form the grounded incidence matrix A_0 by deflating the ninth column of the raw incidence matrix $A_g \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n_g}$ to form the initially reduced incidence matrix $A_0 \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n_0}$, with $A_0 = A_g D_0$. We can write this equation entry-by-entry as follows

Notice that $A_0 \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n_0}$ where m = 15 and $n_0 = (n_g - 1) = 8$. This reduction results from deleting the chosen datum node from our list of node voltage potentials. We can also update component-specific subblocks of our grounded incidence matrix using matrix algebra, with

$$A_{0} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{r_{0}} \\ A_{v_{0}} \\ A_{i_{0}} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{r_{g}} \cdot D_{0} \\ A_{v_{g}} \cdot D_{0} \\ A_{i_{q}} \cdot D_{0} \end{bmatrix} = A_{g} \cdot D_{0},$$

We can focus on each subblock equation separately. Let's begin by calculating the resistor subblock of the grounded incidence matrix $A_{r_0} \in \mathbb{R}^{m_r \times n_0}$, where

We continue by finding the voltage-source subblock of the grounded incidence matrix $A_{v_0} \in \mathbb{R}^{m_v \times n_0}$, where

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix}
0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 1
\end{bmatrix}}_{A_{v_0}} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix}
0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0
\end{bmatrix}}_{A_{v_g}} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix}
1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1
\end{bmatrix}}_{D_0} \tag{10}$$

Finally, we calculate the current-source subblock of the grounded incidence matrix $A_{i_0} \in \mathbb{R}^{m_i \times n_0}$, where

Step 8: State grounded circuit equations

Step 8A: State grounded KVLs in node potential form

This results in an equivalent set of grounded KVL equations in node potential form for the voltage drops across each element of the circuit, given by

$$\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{v}_r \\ \mathbf{v}_v \\ \mathbf{v}_i \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{r_0} \cdot \mathbf{u}_0 \\ A_{v_0} \cdot \mathbf{u}_0 \\ A_{i_0} \cdot \mathbf{u}_0 \end{bmatrix} = A_0 \cdot \mathbf{u}_0$$

Notice that this voltage drop matrix equation results in three subblock matrix equations. We begin with the grounded KVLs for the resistors, given by

The second subblock equation, referred to as the grounded KVLs for the voltage sources, is given in entry-by-entry form as

$$A_{v_0} \mathbf{u}_0 = \mathbf{v}_v \qquad \Leftrightarrow \qquad \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \\ u_4 \\ u_5 \\ u_6 \\ u_7 \\ u_8 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} v_{10} \\ v_{11} \\ v_{12} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} v_{v_1} \\ v_{v_2} \\ v_{v_3} \end{bmatrix}. \tag{13}$$

Finally, the grounded KVL equations for the current source are given by the subblock equation

Step 8B: Recall entire set of circuit BCRs and combine with grounded KVLs

From our work in Step 5B of the LANA algorithm, we know that $\mathbf{i}_r = G \cdot \mathbf{v}_r$. We can combine this entire set of Ohm's law equations in conductance form with our grounded KVL equations for the resistor subblock of our circuit to see that

$$\mathbf{i}_r = G \cdot A_{r_0} \cdot \mathbf{u}_0. \tag{15}$$

Step 8C: State grounded KCLs

We can also write the grounded version of the Kirchoff's current law equations for our system with

$$A_0^T \cdot \mathbf{i} = \mathbf{0}.$$

Once again, since both A_0 and i are block partitioned matrices, we can restate our KCL's as

$$A_{r_0}^T \cdot \mathbf{i}_r + A_{v_0}^T \cdot \mathbf{i}_v + A_{i_0}^T \cdot \mathbf{i}_i = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\tag{16}$$

Step 8D: Write modified nodal analysis matrix equation

Using Step 8B of our algorithm, we can rewrite our grounded KCL equations in subblock form (16) by replacing the vector \mathbf{i}_r with the equivalent node potential equation (15), yielding

$$A_{r_0}^T \cdot G \cdot A_{r_0} \cdot \mathbf{u}_0 + A_{v_0}^T \cdot \mathbf{i}_v + A_{i_0}^T \cdot \mathbf{i}_i = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\tag{17}$$

As mentioned in the Step 4 of our algorithm, the entries of the vector \mathbf{i}_i are known constants and thus we can bring the term $A_{i_0}^T \cdot \mathbf{i}_i$ in our grounded KCL equations in subblock form (16) to the right-hand side of the equals sign. This yields an equivalent system of grounded KCL equations where the contributions of the dc current sources are now expressed on the right-hand side, with

$$A_{r_0}^T \cdot G \cdot A_{r_0} \cdot \mathbf{u}_0 + A_{v_0}^T \cdot \mathbf{i}_v = -A_{i_0}^T \cdot \mathbf{i}_i. \tag{18}$$

This is reminiscent of the well-known approach we take to discuss forced harmonic oscillators in which we right the forcing function on the right-hand side of our governing equations. We have now properly accounted for the effect of choosing a ground node.

We are now in a position to use matrix algebra quite creatively. Let's look back at two important matrix subblock equations. First, let's recall the equation (13) to represent the voltage source contributions as a general linear-systems problem. We also recall the grounded KCL equations (18) where we write the

contributions of the dc current source on the right-hand side. If we combine these two equations together and write the result in matrix form, we produce a famous linear-systems problem in the form

$$\begin{bmatrix} A_{r_0}^T \cdot G \cdot A_{r_0} & A_{v_0}^T \\ A_{v_0} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}_0 \\ \mathbf{i}_\mathbf{v} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -A_{i_0}^T \cdot \mathbf{i}_i \\ \mathbf{v}_v \end{bmatrix}.$$

This problem was first introduced into the literature under the name modified nodal analysis algorithm from 1975. In fact, many practicing engineers might stop here since this linear-systems problem can be solved using a (sparse) LU factorization algorithm resulting in values for our desired vectors \mathbf{u}_0 and \mathbf{i}_v . Another important note is that the modified nodal analysis algorithm enables us to handle much more general systems than the ones considered in this paper. For example, by using this blocked partition matrix, we can analyze systems with dependent current sources. However, as discussed before, the goal of this work is to empower students in our classes to create a nonsingular linear-systems problem with a positive definite coefficient matrix. With a little bit of work, this linear systems problem can be written using a Gram matrix in the form

$$A^T \cdot C \cdot A$$
.

This is the same matrix structure that Strang describes so well. Moreover, there are interesting connections between this coefficient matrix from modified nodal analysis and the corresponding matrices that arise in conventional nodal analysis as described by Artice Davis. To see these connections and generalize classical nodal analysis, we rely heavily on linear algebra.

Step 9: Identify essential nodes, nonessential nodes, and supernodes

Let's push our analysis of this system further. Remember that we say that the datum node is our chosen ground node. If the datum node is chosen within a generalized node, we set this node potential to zero and all other node potentials in this generalized node are known as nonessential nodes. We say that the essential nodes of our circuit are the ordinary, nondatum nodes. Each essential node yields a single, unknown, independent node voltage potential. Finally, we refer to any generalized node that does not contain the datum node as a supernode. For each supernode in our circuit, we need exactly one unknown, independent node voltage potential. All other nodes within each supernode can be calculated using the node potential of this independent node and the voltage source values within said node. Let's use this refinement to classify all nodes under the assumption that we choose node 9 as the datum node.

	Choose $u_9 = 0$		
	Variable	Set of indices	Cardinality
Datum node	u_9	$\mathcal{N}_d = \{9\}$	1
Nonessential node	None	$\mathcal{N}_n = \emptyset$	0
Essential node	u_1, u_2, u_7	$\mathcal{N}_e = \{1, 2, 7\}$	$n_e = 3$
Supernode 1	u_3, u_4, u_6	$\mathcal{N}_{S_1} = \{3, 4, 6\}$	$n_{s_1} = 3$
Supernode 2	u_5, u_8	$\mathcal{N}_{S_2} = \{5, 8\}$	$n_{s_2} = 2$

Table III: Classification of essential nodes, nonessential nodes, and super nodes with choice of ground node 9

Step 10: Eliminate the node dependencies that arise due to the voltage sources

Let's begin by further classifying the nodes of our circuit. We look back at the entire set of voltage source KVL equations in node potential form (13). We can always transform these matrix equations into the corresponding scalar equations by delineating the entry-by-entry definitions of each voltage drop calculation

with

$$A_{v_g} \mathbf{u}_g = \mathbf{v}_v \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \\ u_4 \\ u_5 \\ u_6 \\ u_7 \\ u_8 \\ u_9 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} v_{v_1} \\ v_{v_2} \\ v_{v_3} \end{bmatrix} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \begin{bmatrix} v_{v_1} \\ v_{v_2} \\ v_{v_3} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} u_4 - u_3 \\ u_3 - u_6 \\ u_8 - u_5 \end{bmatrix}$$
(19)

This is a general linear-systems problem with a known right-hand side vector \mathbf{v}_v . By a famous theorem in linear algebra, the general solution of this equation takes the form

$$\mathbf{u}_q = \mathbf{p}_q + D_v \mathbf{u}$$

where \mathbf{p}_g is a particular solution to our GLSP and the columns of D_v are related to the Nul (A_{v_g}) . Below, we show how to form these quantities.

Step 10A: Determine the independent and dependent node voltage potentials

Since we chose node 9 as the datum node, we set $u_9 = 0$. We also know that each of the node voltage potentials u_1, u_2 , and u_7 at the essential nodes are independent. Finally, we can choose one independent node potential from each of our supernodes.

Step 10B: Create a general solution to the entire set of voltage-source KVL equations

Considering our first supernode suppose we say that u_3 is our independent node value. Then, we want to solve for u_4 and u_6 in terms of u_3 . In this case, we see that $u_4 = u_3 + v_{v_1}$ and that $u_6 = u_3 - v_{v_2}$. Next we do the same with the second supernode, suppose we say that u_5 is our independent node value. Then, we want to solve for u_8 in terms of u_3 . In this case, we see that $u_8 = u_5 + v_{v_3}$. Using these replacements, we can set up a general solution to the GLSP as follows

$$\begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \\ u_4 \\ u_5 \\ u_6 \\ u_7 \\ u_8 \\ u_9 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \\ u_3 + v_{v_1} \\ u_5 \\ u_7 \\ u_5 + v_{v_3} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ v_{v_1} \\ 0 \\ -v_{v_2} \\ 0 \\ v_{v_3} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \\ u_5 \\ u_7 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{u}}$$

Step 10C: Create a general solution to the grounded set of voltage-source KVL equations

$$\mathbf{u}_0 = D_0^T \mathbf{u}_g = D_0^T (\mathbf{p}_g + D_v \mathbf{u}) = \mathbf{p}_0 + D\mathbf{u}$$
(20)

In this equation the $n_0 \times 1$ vector $\mathbf{p}_0 = D_0^T \mathbf{p}_g$ and the grounded voltage source deflation matrix $D \in \mathbb{R}^{n_0 \times n}$ is defined as $D = D_0^T D_v$. The entry-by-entry definitions of each of these matrices is given as

Step 11: State the maximally deflated circuit equations

We are now in a position to make a fascinating claim. First, we notice that $A_{v_q} D_v = 0 \in \mathbb{R}^{m_v \times n}$ since

Moreover, we claim that under modest assumptions that will likely be satisfied by all circuits used in practice, the columns of the matrix D form a basis for the null space of the matrix A_{v_0} with $A_{v_0} D = 0 \in \mathbb{R}^{m_v \times n}$. We confirm this fact here by noting

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix}
0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 1
\end{bmatrix}}_{A_{v_0}}
\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix}
1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1
\end{bmatrix}}_{D} = \begin{bmatrix}
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0
\end{bmatrix}}_{D}$$
(21)

Indeed, the matrix A_{v_0} has a total of eight columns, three of which are pivot columns and the other five of which must be nonpivot columns. But, the matrix D has five linearly independent columns in the null space of A_{v_0} and thus, by the fundamental theorem of linear algebra, must be a basis for this space.

Step 11A: Maximally deflate the incidence matrices

With this in mind, we can fully reduce our system. We recall our subblock equation (18) of the grounded KCLs with nonzero current-source forcing term on the right-hand side where the resistor current vector is expressed in terms of the grounded node potential vector. Looking back at this equation, we now have an alternative expression for \mathbf{u}_0 and a deflation matrix D that annihilates A_{v_0} . Now we form our fully-deflated submatrices starting with the resistor subblock first with

We've already shown that the columns of D send A_{v_0} to zero with $A_{v_0} D = 0$. Finally, we focus on deflating the current source subblock with

Step 11B: Create the grounded and deactivated nodal equation in nonsingular form

We now use these matrices to simplify our circuit equations. If we multiply the compact KCL equation (18) on the left by the matrix D^T , we annihilate the term involving the voltage-source subblock $A_{v_0}^T$, yielding

$$A_r^T G A_{r_0} \mathbf{u}_0 = -A_i^T \mathbf{i}_i$$

Now we can substitute the expanded version of vector \mathbf{u}_0 into our equation to produce

$$A_r^T G A_{r_0} (\mathbf{p}_0 + D\mathbf{u}) = -A_i^T \mathbf{i}_i$$

If we set $\mathbf{f} = A_i^T \mathbf{i}_i$ and $\mathbf{b} = -A_{r_0} \mathbf{p}_0$, we can use this simplification to system as

$$A_r^T G A_r \mathbf{u} = A_r^T G \mathbf{b} - \mathbf{f}$$

where $K = A_r^T G A_r \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ and $\mathbf{f} \in \mathbb{R}^n$. This is now completely equilibrium equation framework espoused by Strang. Moreover, under this construction, the matrix A_r has full column rank. In particular, we note

$$= \underbrace{ \begin{bmatrix} g_1 & 0 & -g_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & g_2 + g_4 & -g_2 - g_4 & 0 & 0 \\ -g_1 & -g_2 - g_4 & g_1 + g_2 + g_3 + g_4 + g_5 + g_6 + g_7 + g_9 & -g_9 & -g_6 - g_7 \\ 0 & 0 & -g_9 & g_9 + g_{10} & -g_{10} \\ 0 & 0 & -g_6 - g_7 & -g_{10} & g_6 + g_7 + g_8 + g_{10} \end{bmatrix}}_{K}$$

The forcing terms on the right-hand side contain information about both the current sources and the effect of the voltage sources on the system. In particular, we notice that

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} -i_{i_1} \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ i_{i_2} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{f}} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{A_i^T} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} i_{i_1} \\ i_{i_2} \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{i}_i}$$

We also see that the voltage sources effect the system with

To calculate the resulting currents, we see that

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} -v_{v_2}g_1\\ -v_{v_2}g_2\\ v_{v_2}g_1+v_{v_2}g_2+v_{v_2}g_3+v_{v_2}g_5+v_{v_2}g_6-v_{v_1}g_7-v_{v_1}g_9\\ v_{v_1}g_9-v_{v_3}g_{10}\\ -v_{v_2}g_6+v_{v_1}g_7+v_{v_3}g_{10} \end{bmatrix}}_{A_T^TG\mathbf{b}} =$$

Combining all of these results together, we produce the same system as espoused by the classical nodal analysis algorithm with

$$\underbrace{ \begin{bmatrix} g_1 & 0 & -g_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & g_2 + g_4 & -g_2 - g_4 & 0 & 0 \\ -g_1 & -g_2 - g_4 & g_1 + g_2 + g_3 + g_4 + g_5 + g_6 + g_7 + g_9 & -g_9 & -g_6 - g_7 \\ 0 & 0 & -g_9 & g_9 + g_{10} & -g_{10} \\ 0 & 0 & -g_6 - g_7 & -g_{10} & g_6 + g_7 + g_8 + g_{10} \end{bmatrix} \underbrace{ \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \\ u_5 \\ u_7 \end{bmatrix} }_{\mathbf{U}} = \underbrace{ K }$$

$$= \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} -v_{v_2}g_1 \\ -v_{v_2}g_2 + v_{v_2}g_3 + v_{v_2}g_5 + v_{v_2}g_6 - v_{v_1}g_7 - v_{v_1}g_9 \\ v_{v_1}g_9 - v_{v_3}g_{10} \\ -v_{v_2}g_6 + v_{v_1}g_7 + v_{v_3}g_{10} \end{bmatrix}}_{A_T^TG\mathbf{\,b}} - \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} -i_{i_1} \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ i_{i_2} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{f}}$$

We can transform this equation into numerical form by substituting the exact values for that circuit components designated in figure 1 yielding the system

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -2 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & -2 & 8 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & -1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}}_{K} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \\ u_5 \\ u_7 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{u}} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ -5 \\ 20 \\ -5 \\ 2.5 \end{bmatrix}}_{A_T^T G \, \mathbf{b} - \mathbf{f}}$$

Step 12: Solve the linear-algebraic nodal analysis equations

Now we can solve our resulting 5×5 system using any method we'd like. In practice, I suggest using MATLAB since the whole point of this exercise is to set ourselves up to take advantage of computer algorithms. In fact, on the companion website for this paper, readers can find a MATLAB script to solve this exact problem. However, since this example write up is dedicated to learners who may have relatively little coding experience, we include the entire solution process for completeness and ease of reference. We begin by transforming our matrix into upper-triangular form using Gauss transformations:

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -2 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & -2 & 8 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & -1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}}_{K} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \\ u_5 \\ u_7 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{u}} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ -5 \\ 20 \\ -5 \\ 2.5 \end{bmatrix}}_{2.5}$$

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{L_1} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & -2 & 8 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 2 & -1 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & -1 & 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{u}} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \\ u_5 \\ u_7 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{u}} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{L_1} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ -5 \\ 20 \\ -5 \\ 2.5 \end{bmatrix}}_{2.5}$$

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{L_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 7 & -1 & -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 2 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & -1 & 4 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{u}} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \\ u_5 \\ u_7 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{u}} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{L_2} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ -5 \\ 16 \\ -5 \\ 2.5 \end{bmatrix}}_{L_1K}$$

$$\underbrace{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.4 & 0 & 1 & \end{bmatrix} }_{L_{3}} \underbrace{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 & -1 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & -1 & 4 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{u}} \underbrace{ \begin{bmatrix} u_{1} \\ u_{2} \\ u_{3} \\ u_{5} \\ u_{7} \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{u}} = \underbrace{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.4 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} }_{L_{2} L_{1} (A_{T}^{T} G \mathbf{b} - \mathbf{f}) }$$

$$\underbrace{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{7}{9} & 1 \end{bmatrix} }_{L_4} \underbrace{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1.8 & -1.4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1.4 & 3.2 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{u}} \underbrace{ \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \\ u_5 \\ u_7 \end{bmatrix} }_{\mathbf{u}} = \underbrace{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{7}{9} & 1 \end{bmatrix} }_{L_3} \underbrace{ \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ -5 \\ 11 \\ -2.8 \\ 6.9 \end{bmatrix} }_{L_3}$$

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1.8 & -1.4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{19}{9} \end{bmatrix}}_{L_4 L_3 L_2 L_1 K} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \\ u_5 \\ u_7 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{u}} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ -5 \\ 11 \\ -2.8 \\ \frac{85}{18} \end{bmatrix}}_{L_4 L_3 L_2 L_1 K} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \\ u_5 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{u}} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} L_4 \\ -5 \\ 11 \\ -2.8 \\ \frac{85}{18} \end{bmatrix}}_{L_4 L_3 L_2 L_1 (A_r^T G \mathbf{b} - \mathbf{f})}$$

Using backward substitution, we see that

$$\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \\ u_5 \\ u_7 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -0.8684 \\ 0.6316 \\ 3.1316 \\ 0.1842 \\ 2.2368 \end{bmatrix}$$

Step 13: Completely describe electrical behavior of circuit

In this case, we choose to solve this problem using left multiplication by elementary matrices to transform our system into an equivalent linear-systems problem in upper triangular form. We then apply backward substitution to find the values of the independent voltage potentials stored in \mathbf{u} . Finally, we use our general linear-systems solution equation (20) to find all entries of the vector \mathbf{u}_0 .

Step 13A: Find all the node voltage potentials

Then, using our solution to the grounded linear-systems problem, we have

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Step 13B: Calculate any desired circuit variable values

One of the main uses of circuit analysis to to focus on a single circuit variable and report the value of this variable to any interested party when desired. The moment we solve for our given independent node voltage potentials, we claim that we can report the value of any variable using matrix-vector multiplication along with some trivial analysis. For example, suppose that we want to find the current flowing through any resistor in the entire circuit. We can do this immediately using the matrix version of Ohm's law equation in conductance form with

$$\mathbf{i}_r = G\mathbf{v}_r$$

The only other unknown quantities are the voltages across the current sources and the currents running through the voltage sources. The voltage drops across the current sources result from the current source subblock of the entires set of KVLs with

$$\mathbf{v}_i = A_{i_0} \mathbf{u}_0$$

On the other hand, the currents running through the voltage sources pose a slightly more subtle problem. But we have is our KCL equation

$$A_{v_0}^T \cdot \mathbf{i}_v = A_{r_0}^T \cdot G \cdot \mathbf{b} - A_{i_0}^T \cdot \mathbf{i}_i.$$

The left-hand side includes two unknown variables while the right-hand side is completely determined by our previously stated constants.

Step 14: Verify by measuring the node voltage potentials on the real circuit

Measure the node voltage potentials at all nodes in the circuit and record the data in the table below.

Node	Measured	Modeled
Variable	value (V)	value (V)
u_1	-0.84	-0.8684
u_2	0.62	0.6316
u_3	3.13	3.1316
u_4	5.61	5.6316
u_5	0.18	0.1842
u_6	-1.84	-1.8684
u_7	2.22	2.2368
u_8	5.17	5.1842
u_9	0	0

Table III: 5.17 Model verification

For practically-minded readers, a few notes about measurements are in order. If we were to measure the values of these variables on a physical circuit, we hold the black probe of the voltmeter to the ground node. Then we apply the red probe to each of the other nodes on the circuit. We would read the associated potentials using our voltmeter and record the data in a 9×1 vector. The d=9th entry of this vector is assumed to be zero since this the reference voltage value against which all other potentials are measured.