Sean Balbale November 6, 2024 3 Resistors in Series and Parallel

1 Basic Circuit Elements

1.1 Resistors

Resistor resists the flow of charge. The resistance R is a function of length, area, and resistivity:

$$R = \frac{\rho \ell}{A}$$
 or $R = \frac{\ell}{\sigma A}$

- ρ: Resistivity
- ℓ : Length
- A: Area

Ohm's Law: Voltage, current, and resistance are related:

$$V = IR$$
 or $I = \frac{V}{R}$

1.2 Power Dissipation and Passive Sign Convention

Power Dissipation:

$$P = IV = I^2 R = \frac{V^2}{R}$$

- In passive sign convention, if current enters positive terminal, element absorbs power:

$$P = VI$$

- If current enters negative terminal, element delivers power:

$$P = -VI$$

1.3 Conductance

Conductance is the reciprocal of resistance:

$$G = \frac{1}{R}$$
 in Siemens (S)

1.4 Ideal Conductors

$$R = 0, \quad \sigma \to \infty$$

No voltage drop across an ideal conductor.

2 Kirchhoff's Laws

2.1 Kirchhoff's Current Law (KCL)

The sum of currents entering and leaving a node is zero:

$$\sum I_{\rm in} = \sum I_{
m out}$$

2.2 Kirchhoff's Voltage Law (KVL)

The sum of voltage drops in a closed loop equals the sum of voltage rises:

$$\sum V_{\rm drops} = \sum V_{\rm rises}$$

3.1 Series Resistors

Resistors in series carry the same current:

$$R_{\rm eq} = R_1 + R_2 + \dots + R_n$$

Voltage Division:

$$V_k = V_s \frac{R_k}{R_{\rm eq}}$$

3.2 Parallel Resistors

Resistors in parallel share the same voltage:

$$\frac{1}{R_{\text{eq}}} = \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} + \dots + \frac{1}{R_n}$$

Current Division:

$$i_k = I_s \frac{R_{\text{eq}}}{R_k}$$

4 Nodal Analysis (Node Voltage Method)

4.1 Steps for Nodal Analysis

- 1. Identify essential nodes.
- 2. Choose a reference node (ground).
- 3. Write KCL equations at each essential node using node voltages.
- 4. Solve the system of equations for unknown node voltages.

5 Mesh Analysis (Mesh Current Method)

5.1 Steps for Mesh Analysis

- 1. Identify meshes (loops without other loops inside).
- 2. Assign mesh currents.
- 3. Apply KVL in each mesh to write voltage equations.
- 4. Solve the system of equations for mesh currents.

6 Thevenin and Norton Equivalent Circuits

6.1 Thevenin's Theorem

Any linear circuit can be reduced to a single voltage source $V_{\rm Th}$ in series with $R_{\rm Th}$.

$$V_L = V_{Th} \frac{R_L}{R_{Th} + R_L}$$

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6.2 Norton's Theorem

Any linear circuit can be reduced to a single current source I_N in parallel with R_N .

$$I_N = \frac{V_{\mathrm{Th}}}{R_{\mathrm{Th}}}, \quad R_N = R_{\mathrm{Th}}$$

7 Source Transformations

7.1 Voltage to Current Source Transforma-

A voltage source V_s in series with R can be transformed into a current source:

$$I_s = \frac{V_s}{R}$$
, in parallel with R

7.2 Current to Voltage Source Transformation

A current source I_s in parallel with R can be transformed into a voltage source:

$$V_s = I_s R$$
, in series with R

8 Delta-Y (Δ -Y) Conversion

8.1 Delta to Y Conversion

For a delta network with resistors R_a , R_b , and R_c , the equivalent Y-resistances are:

$$\begin{split} R_1 &= \frac{R_b R_c}{R_a + R_b + R_c}, \quad R_2 = \frac{R_a R_c}{R_a + R_b + R_c} \\ R_3 &= \frac{R_a R_b}{R_a + R_b + R_c} \end{split}$$

8.2 Y to Delta Conversion

For a Y-network with resistors R_1 , R_2 , and R_3 , the equivalent delta-resistances are:

$$R_a = \frac{R_1R_2 + R_2R_3 + R_3R_1}{R_3}, \quad R_b = \frac{R_1R_2 + R_2R_3 + R_3R_1}{R_1}$$

$$R_c = \frac{R_1R_2 + R_2R_3 + R_3R_1}{R_2}$$

9 Operational Amplifiers (Op-Amps)

9.1 Introduction to Op-Amps

Operational Amplifier (Op-Amp) is a high-gain IC used in various mathematical and amplification operations:

- Ideal characteristics: infinite input impedance, zero output impedance, infinite open-loop gain, and bandwidth.
- Common applications: integrator, differentiator, summing amplifier, buffer amplifier, difference amplifier.

9.2 Ideal Op-Amp Model

- Infinite input impedance $R_{in} = \infty$.
- Zero output impedance $R_{out} = 0$.
- Infinite open-loop gain $A_{vo} \to \infty$.
- Differential input voltage $V_d = V^+ V^-$, ideally $V_d \approx 0$.

9.3 Basic Op-Amp Configurations

9.3.1 Inverting Amplifier

Gain
$$A_v = -\frac{R_f}{R_{in}}$$

$$V_{out} = -V_{in} \cdot \frac{R_f}{R_{in}}$$

9.3.2 Non-Inverting Amplifier

$$Gain A_v = 1 + \frac{R_f}{R_1}$$

$$V_{out} = V_{in} \cdot \left(1 + \frac{R_f}{R_1}\right)$$

9.3.3 Voltage Follower (Buffer)

Gain $A_v = 1$, used for isolation

$$V_{out} = V_{in}$$

9.4 Real-World Op-Amp Limitations

9.4.1 Bandwidth and Slew Rate

Bandwidth: Gain-Bandwidth Product (GBP): $A_v \times f_{BW} =$ constant **Slew Rate:** Max rate of change of V_{out} :

Slew Rate =
$$\frac{\Delta V_{out}}{\Delta t}$$

9.4.2 Input Offset Voltage and Bias Current

Input Offset Voltage V_{OS} : Small voltage difference to zero V_{out} . Input Bias Current: Average current into input terminals.

9.5 Op-Amp Analysis Techniques

- Assume ideal conditions $(V^+ = V^-, I^+ = I^- = 0)$.
- Apply KCL at nodes, considering virtual ground in inverting amplifiers.

9.6 Feedback in Op-Amps

Types of Feedback:

- Negative Feedback: Stabilizes gain.
- Positive Feedback: Used in oscillators.

Closed-Loop Gain:

$$A_{CL} = \frac{A_{vo}}{1 + A_{vo} \cdot \beta}$$