

## Circuit Theory

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### Working instructions

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- The total amount of achievable credits in this exam is 90 credits.
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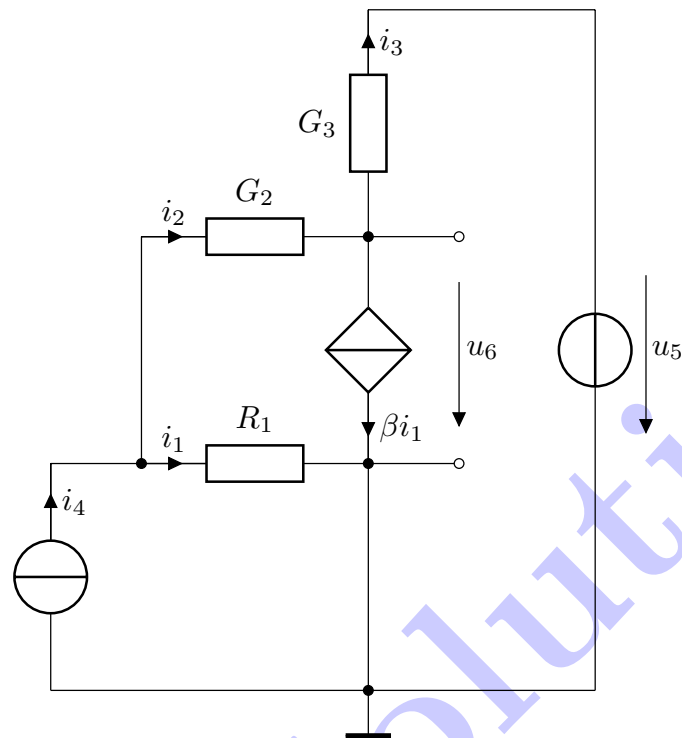
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## Problem 1 Kirchhoff's Laws (6 credits)

Consider the following circuit.



0 1 a)\* What is the number of nodes of the circuit?

$$n = 4 \checkmark$$

0 1 b)\* Give the number of branches of the circuit.

$$b = 6$$

0 1 2 c) Find the node incidence matrix.

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \checkmark \checkmark$$

d) Determine the loop incidence matrix.

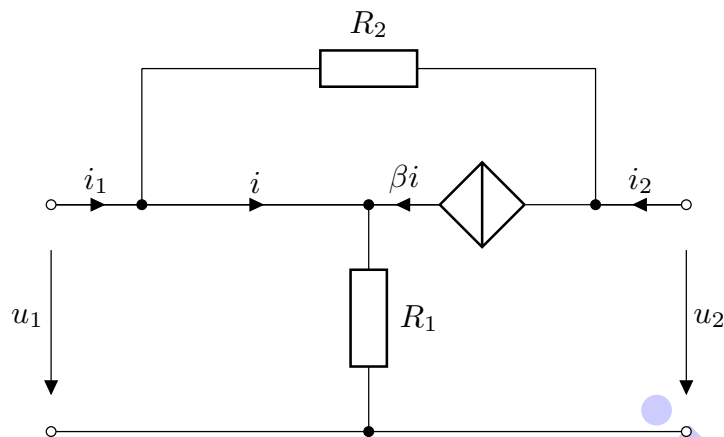
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$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \checkmark \checkmark$$

Sample Solution

## Problem 2 Two-Ports (16 credits)

Given is the following two-port  $\mathcal{N}$ .



Note that  $R_1 > 0$  and  $R_2 > 0$ .

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a)\* Determine  $u_1$  depending on  $i$ .

$$u_1 = (1 + \beta)iR_1 \checkmark$$

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b)\* Find  $u_2$  depending on  $i$  and  $i_2$ .

$$u_2 = R_2(i_2 - \beta i) + u_1 \checkmark$$
$$u_2 = R_2(i_2 - \beta i) + (1 + \beta)iR_1 \checkmark$$

By appropriate analysis, it can be shown that  $i = \frac{i_1 + i_2}{1 + \beta}$ .

c) Give the resistance matrix  $\mathbf{R}_{\mathcal{N}}$  of the two-port  $\mathcal{N}$ .

$$\mathbf{R}_{\mathcal{N}} = \begin{bmatrix} R_1 & R_1 \\ R_1 - \frac{\beta R_2}{1 + \beta} & R_1 + \frac{R_2}{1 + \beta} \end{bmatrix} \checkmark \checkmark \checkmark$$

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d) Find  $\beta$  such that the two-port  $\mathcal{N}$  is reciprocal.

For  $\mathcal{N}$  to be reciprocal,  $\mathbf{R}_{\mathcal{N}} = \mathbf{R}_{\mathcal{N}}^T$  must hold.  
Therefore,  $R_1 = R_1 - \frac{\beta R_2}{1 + \beta}$   
 $\beta = 0 \checkmark$

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The alternative two-port  $\mathcal{M}$  has the following resistance matrix

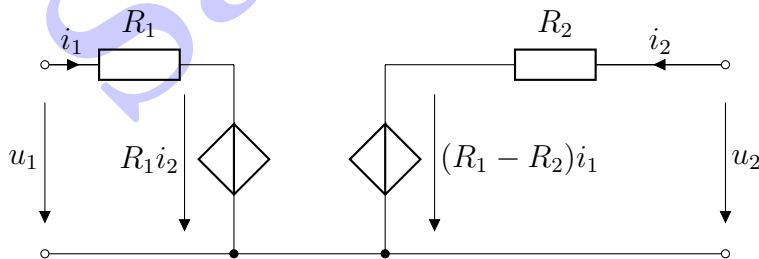
$$\mathbf{R}_{\mathcal{M}} = \begin{bmatrix} R_1(1 + \frac{1}{5 + \beta}) & R_1 + \frac{R_2}{1 + \beta} \\ R_1 - \frac{\beta R_2}{1 + \beta} & R_2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

e)\* Give the resistance matrix  $\mathbf{R}_{\infty}$  of  $\mathcal{M}$  for the limit  $\beta \rightarrow \infty$ .

$$\mathbf{R}_{\infty} = \begin{bmatrix} R_1 & R_1 \\ R_1 - R_2 & R_2 \end{bmatrix} \checkmark$$

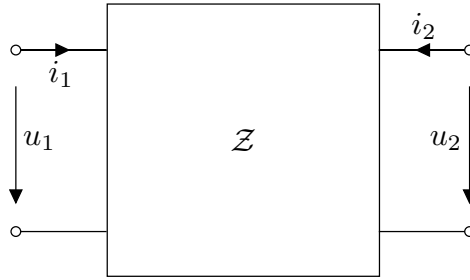
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f) Draw the equivalent circuit diagram for the resistance matrix  $\mathbf{R}_{\infty}$ .



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Now, consider the two-port  $\mathcal{Z}$ .



The transmission matrix of  $\mathcal{Z}$  is given by

$$\mathbf{A}_{\mathcal{Z}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & R_2 \\ -\frac{1}{R_1} & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

g)\* Is the two-port  $\mathcal{Z}$  current-controlled, i.e., does its resistance matrix exist? Justify your answer.

Yes, since  $a_{21} \neq 0$ , the resistance matrix exists. ✓✓

h)\* Find a two-port matrix for the two-port  $\mathcal{Z}^d$  which is dual to  $\mathcal{Z}$ . The duality constant is denoted by  $R_d$ .

From the transmission representation of  $\mathcal{Z}$ :

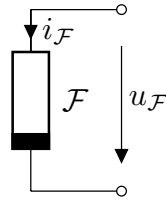
$$R_d i_1^d = R_d i_2^d - R_2 \frac{u_2^d}{R_d} \quad \checkmark$$

$$\frac{u_1^d}{R_d} = -\frac{1}{R_1} R_d i_2^d - \frac{u_2^d}{R_d} \quad \checkmark$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{A}_{\mathcal{Z}^d} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & \frac{R_d^2}{R_1} \\ -\frac{R_2}{R_d} & -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \checkmark$$

### Problem 3 Non-Linear One-Port (6 credits)

Given is the non-linear one-port  $\mathcal{F}$ .



The characteristic of  $\mathcal{F}$  can be written as

$$i_{\mathcal{F}} = g(u_{\mathcal{F}}) = \frac{2}{3u_0R} \left( u_{\mathcal{F}} - \frac{u_0}{2} \right)^2 - \frac{u_0}{R}$$

where  $u_0 > 0$  and  $R > 0$  are constants.

Due to the connection of  $\mathcal{F}$ , its operating point voltage is known as  $U_{\mathcal{F}} = 2u_0$ .

a)\* Find the operating point current  $I_{\mathcal{F}}$  of  $\mathcal{F}$ .

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$$I_{\mathcal{F}} = g(U_{\mathcal{F}}) = \frac{2}{3u_0R} (2u_0 - \frac{u_0}{2})^2 - \frac{u_0}{R} = \frac{2}{3u_0R} \frac{9u_0^2}{4} - \frac{u_0}{R} = \frac{u_0}{2R} \quad \checkmark$$

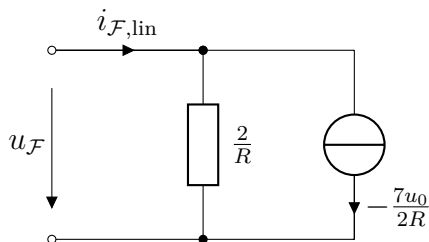
b) Linearize  $\mathcal{F}$  in the given operating point with  $U_{\mathcal{F}} = 2u_0$ , that is, find  $i_{\mathcal{F},\text{lin}}$ .

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$$\begin{aligned} \text{slope: } G_{\mathcal{F}} &= \left. \frac{di_{\mathcal{F}}}{du_{\mathcal{F}}} \right|_{u_{\mathcal{F}}=U_{\mathcal{F}}} = \frac{4}{3u_0R} \left( u_{\mathcal{F}} - \frac{u_0}{2} \right) \Big|_{u_{\mathcal{F}}=2u_0} = \frac{2}{R} \quad \checkmark\checkmark \\ i_{\mathcal{F},\text{lin}} &= I_{\mathcal{F}} + G_{\mathcal{F}}(u_{\mathcal{F}} - U_{\mathcal{F}}) = \frac{u_0}{2R} + \frac{2}{R} (u_{\mathcal{F}} - 2u_0) = -\frac{7u_0}{2R} + \frac{2}{R} u_{\mathcal{F}} \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

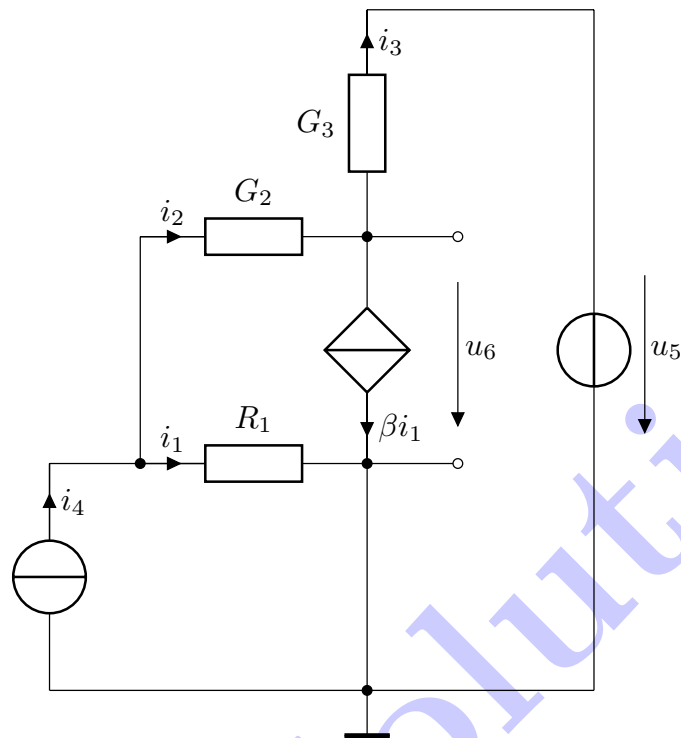
c) Draw an equivalent circuit diagram for the linearized one-port with  $i_{\mathcal{F},\text{lin}} = g_{\text{lin}}(u_{\mathcal{F}})$ . Give the element values depending on  $u_0$  and  $R$ .

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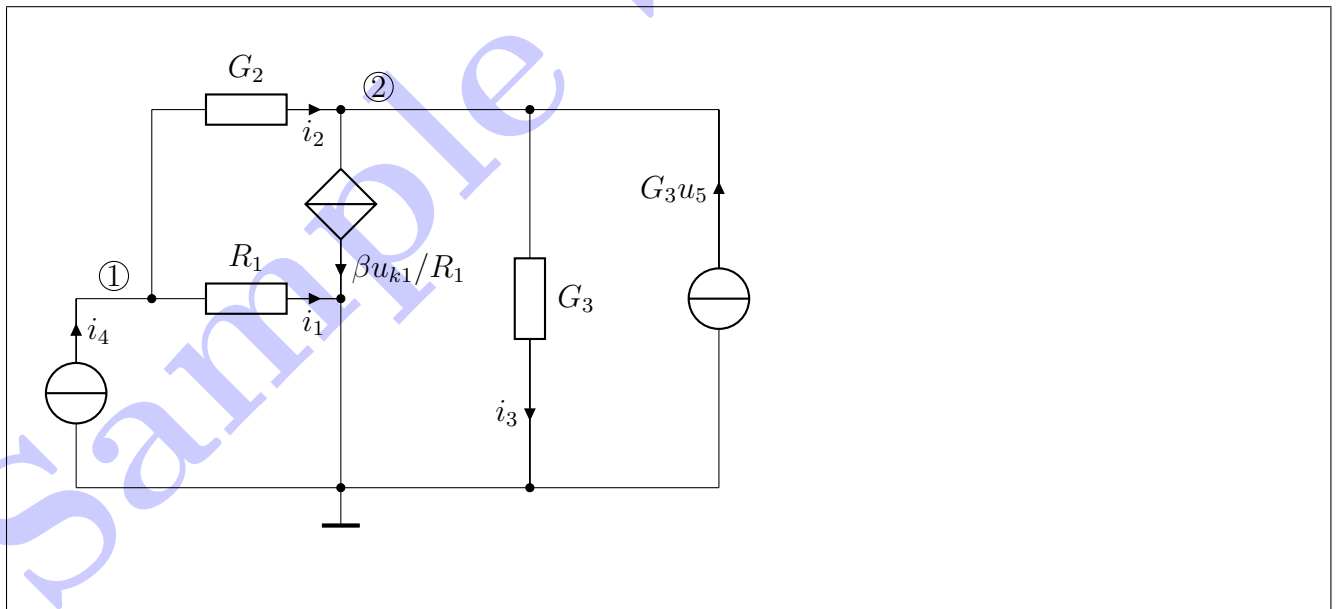
## Problem 4 Nodal Analysis (10 credits)

The circuit of Problem 1 is investigated with the help of the nodal analysis.



- 0 ☐ a)\* Prepare the circuit for the nodal analysis. To this end, express  $i_1$  by the node voltages and perform a source transform. Label the nodes.

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- 0 ☐ b)\* Express  $u_6$  depending on the node voltages.

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$$u_6 = u_{k2} \quad \checkmark$$



c) Formulate the equation system of the nodal analysis in the form  $\mathbf{Y}_k \mathbf{u}_k = \mathbf{i}_q$ .

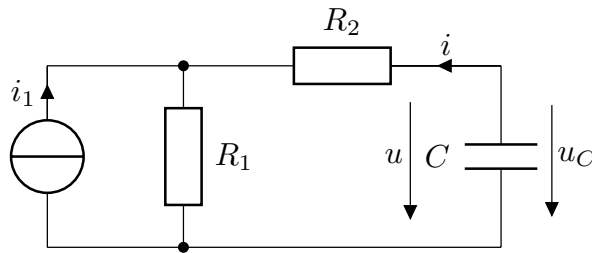
$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{R_1} + G_2 & -G_2 \\ -G_2 + \frac{\beta}{R_1} & G_2 + G_3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_{k1} \\ u_{k2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} i_4 \\ G_3 u_5 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Sample Solution

## Problem 5 First-Order Circuit (7 credits)

Consider the following first-order circuit with  $R_1, R_2, C > 0$ .



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a)\* Find the representation of the resistive part as a linear source.

open circuit measurment:  $u_0 = R_1 i_1$  ✓

short circuit measurement (current divider rule):  $i_0 = \frac{\frac{1}{R_2}}{\frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2}} i_1 = \frac{R_1}{R_1 + R_2} i_0$  ✓

$u = u_0 + \frac{u_0}{i_0} i = R_1 i_1 + (R_1 + R_2) i$  ✓

0  
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b) What is the time constant  $\tau$  of the circuit?

$\tau = (R_1 + R_2)C$  ✓

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c) Justify why the circuit is stable.

Since  $R_1, R_2, C > 0$ , also  $\tau > 0$ . ✓

Suppose that the excitation is constant, i.e.,  $i_1(t) = I_1$ . Additionally, note that  $u_C(0) = (R_1 + R_2)I_1$ . Use simply  $\tau$  for the time constant.

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d) Find  $u_C(t)$  for  $t \geq 0$ .

$u_C(0) = (R_1 + R_2)I_1$

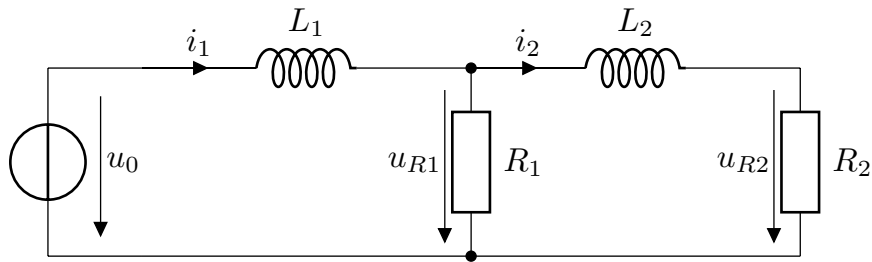
$u_{C,\infty} = R_1 I_1$  (open circuit voltage) ✓

$u_C(t) = u_{C,\infty} + (u_C(0) - u_{C,\infty}) e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}}$

$u_C(t) = R_1 I_1 + R_2 I_1 e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}}$  ✓

## Problem 6 Linear Second-Order Circuit (27 credits)

In this problem, the following linear circuit with the independent constant voltage source  $u_0$  and the two inductors  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  is investigated.



Note that  $u_{R1}$  is the output of the circuit.

a)\* Give the state variables of the circuit.

$i_1, i_2$  ✓

0  
1

b)\* Determine the state equations of the circuit.

KVL:  $u_0 = u_1 + u_{R1}$  ✓  
 KCL:  $\frac{1}{R_1} u_{R1} = i_1 - i_2$  ✓  
 KVL:  $u_{R1} = u_2 + R_2 i_2$  ✓  
 $u_1 = -R_1(i_1 - i_2) + u_0$   
 $u_2 = R_1(i_1 - i_2) - R_2 i_2$   
 $\dot{i}_1 = -\frac{R_1}{L_1} i_1 + \frac{R_1}{L_1} i_2 + \frac{1}{L_1} u_0$  ✓  
 $\dot{i}_2 = \frac{R_1}{L_2} i_1 - \frac{R_1 + R_2}{L_2} i_2$  ✓

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c) What are the state matrix and the input vector for the circuit?

$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{R_1}{L_1} & \frac{R_1}{L_1} \\ \frac{R_1}{L_2} & -\frac{R_1 + R_2}{L_2} \end{bmatrix}$  ✓  $\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{L_1} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  ✓

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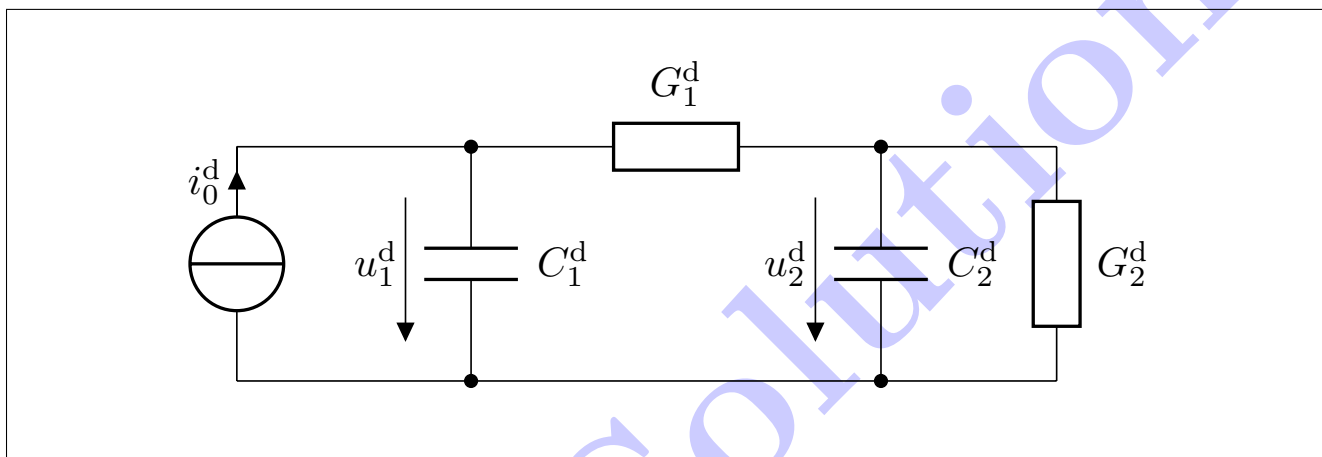
d) Give the output vector and the feedthrough if  $u_{R1}$  is the output.

$$\mathbf{c}^T = [R_1, -R_1] \quad \checkmark$$

$$d = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

0  
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e)\* Draw the circuit which is dual to the given circuit.



For a particular choice of the element values, the following normalized state matrix can be obtained

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ -3 & -5 \end{bmatrix}.$$

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f)\* Determine the eigenvalues of this state matrix.

$$\det(\mathbf{A} - \lambda \mathbf{1}) = \det \begin{bmatrix} -1 - \lambda & 1 \\ -3 & -5 - \lambda \end{bmatrix} = \lambda^2 + 6\lambda + 8 = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

$$\lambda_{1/2} = -3 \pm \sqrt{9 - 8} = -3 \pm 1$$

$$\lambda_1 = -2 \quad \text{und} \quad \lambda_2 = -4 \quad \checkmark \checkmark$$

0  
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g) Give the name of the equilibrium.

stable node  $\checkmark$

h) Find the eigenvectors of the given state matrix.

0  
1  
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$$[A - \lambda_1 \mathbf{1}] \mathbf{q}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -3 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{q}_1 = \mathbf{0} \quad \mathbf{q}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \checkmark$$

$$[A - \lambda_2 \mathbf{1}] \mathbf{q}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ -3 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{q}_2 = \mathbf{0} \quad \mathbf{q}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} \checkmark$$

From now on,  $u_0 = 0$ . Correspondingly, the state equations read as

$$\dot{x}_1 = -x_1 + x_2$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = -3x_1 - 5x_2.$$

i)\* What is the equilibrium  $\mathbf{x}_\infty$  of the circuit for  $u_0 = 0$ ?

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$$\dot{x}_1 = \dot{x}_2 = 0 \checkmark$$

$$\mathbf{x}_\infty = \mathbf{0} \checkmark$$

For a different second-order circuit, the eigenvalues and eigenvectors can be written as

$$\lambda_1 = -4 \quad \lambda_2 = 2$$

$$\mathbf{q}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{q}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

The excitation is zero. In other words,  $v(t) = 0$ .

j)\* Why is this circuit unstable?

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Since  $\lambda_2 = 2 > 0$ .  $\checkmark$

k)\* Give the general expression of the state vector  $\mathbf{x}(t)$  of the circuit with the given eigenvalues and eigenvectors.

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$$\mathbf{x}(t) = \xi_{01} e^{-4t} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} + \xi_{02} e^{2t} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \checkmark \checkmark$$

Due to  $v(t) = 0$ , the output equation is given by

$$y(t) = \mathbf{c}^T \mathbf{x}(t).$$

0 ☐  
1 ☐  
2 ☐

l)\* Determine a non-trivial output vector  $\mathbf{c}^T$ , such that  $y(t)$  converges to zero.

The eigenmode with the eigenvalue  $\lambda_2 = 2$  must be suppressed by  $\mathbf{c}^T$ . Therefore,  $\mathbf{c}$  must be orthogonal to  $\mathbf{q}_2$ , ✓  
e.g.,  $\mathbf{c}^T = [1, -1]$  ✓

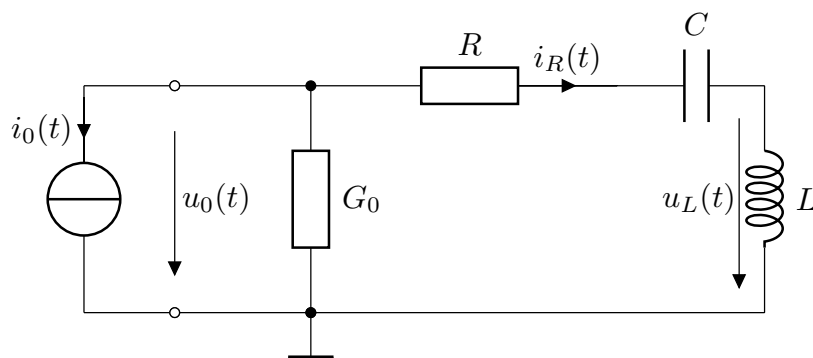
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m) What is  $y(t)$  for this particular choice for  $\mathbf{c}^T$ ?

$$y(t) = \mathbf{c}^T \mathbf{q}_1 \xi_{01} e^{\lambda_1 t} = 4\xi_{01} e^{-4t} \quad \checkmark$$

## Problem 7 Complex Phasor Analysis (13 credits)

Given is following circuit with  $G_0, R, C, L > 0$ .



The current  $i_0(t)$  is sinusoidal with the angular frequency  $\omega$ .

a)\* Give the relationship between  $u_L(t)$  and  $i_R(t)$ .

$$u_L(t) = L \dot{i}_R(t) \quad \checkmark$$

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Let  $I_R$  be the phasor for  $i_R(t)$  and  $U_L$  the phasor for  $u_L(t)$ .

b)\* Find  $U_L$  depending on  $I_R$ .

$$U_L = j\omega L I_R \quad \checkmark$$

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c) Determine the phasor  $U_0$  depending on  $I_R$ .

$$U_0 = R I_R + \frac{1}{j\omega C} I_R + j\omega L I_R \quad \checkmark \checkmark$$

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d) What is, therefore,  $I_0$  depending on  $U_0$ ?

$$\begin{aligned} \text{KCL: } I_0 + G_0 U_0 + I_R &= 0 \quad \checkmark \\ I_0 + G_0 U_0 + \frac{1}{R + \frac{1}{j\omega C} + j\omega L} U_0 &= 0 \\ I_0 &= -G_0 U_0 - \frac{j\omega C}{1 + j\omega RC + (j\omega)^2 LC} U_0 \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

For the voltage phasor  $U_0$  depending on the phasor  $I_0$  of the current source, it can be obtained that

$$U_0 = -\frac{1}{G_0} \frac{1 + j\omega/\omega_1 - \omega^2 LC}{1 + j\omega/\omega_2 - \omega^2 LC} I_0$$

with the constants  $\omega_1, \omega_2 > 0$ , where  $\omega_1 \neq \omega_2$ .

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e)\* Find the complex power of the source depending on  $I_0$ .

$$\begin{aligned} P &= \frac{1}{2} U_0 I_0^* \quad \checkmark \\ P &= -\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{G_0} \frac{1 + j\omega/\omega_1 - \omega^2 LC}{1 + j\omega/\omega_2 - \omega^2 LC} |I_0|^2 \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

Now,  $\omega, G_0, R, L > 0$  are constant.

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f) Determine  $C$  depending on  $\omega, G_0, R$ , and  $L$  such that the blind power of the source is zero.

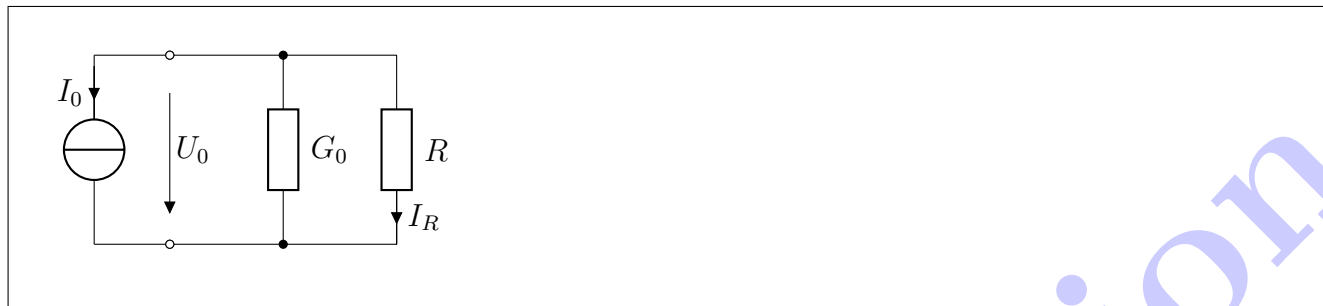
$$\begin{aligned} P &= -\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{G_0} \frac{(1 + j\omega/\omega_1 - \omega^2 LC)(1 - j\omega/\omega_2 - \omega^2 LC)}{(1 - \omega^2 LC)^2 + (\omega/\omega_2)^2} |I_0|^2 \quad \checkmark \\ P_B = \text{Im}\{P\} &= -\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{G_0} \frac{(\omega/\omega_1 - \omega/\omega_2)(1 - \omega^2 LC)}{(1 - \omega^2 LC)^2 + (\omega/\omega_2)^2} |I_0|^2 = 0 \quad \checkmark \\ 1 - \omega^2 LC &= 0 \\ C &= \frac{1}{\omega^2 L} \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$



For the corresponding choice for  $C$ , we get

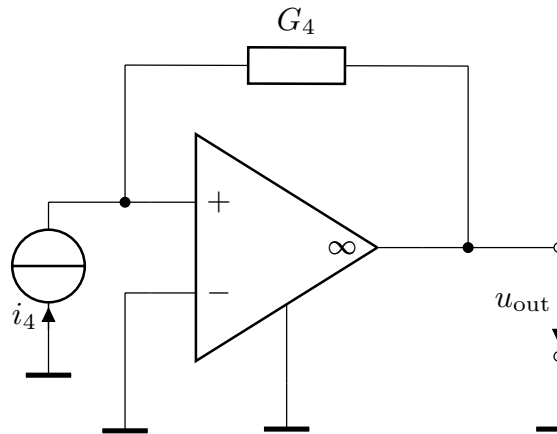
$$P = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{G_0} \frac{R}{R + 1/G_0} |I_0|^2.$$

g)\* Draw the corresponding equivalent circuit diagram. Mark  $U_0$ ,  $I_0$  and  $I_R$ .



## Problem 8 Op-Amp Circuit (5 credits)

Consider the following Op-Amp circuit.



- 0 ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ a)\* Find the voltage  $u_{\text{out}}$  depending on  $i_4$  and  $U_{\text{sat}}$  if the Op-Amp is operated in the linear region.

$$u_{\text{out}} = -\frac{i_4}{G_4} \checkmark \checkmark$$

Now, we assume that the Op-Amp is in the positive saturation. The saturation voltage is denoted by  $U_{\text{sat}}$ .

- 0 ☐ 1 ☐ b)\* Give  $u_{\text{out}}$  depending on  $i_4$  and  $U_{\text{sat}}$ .

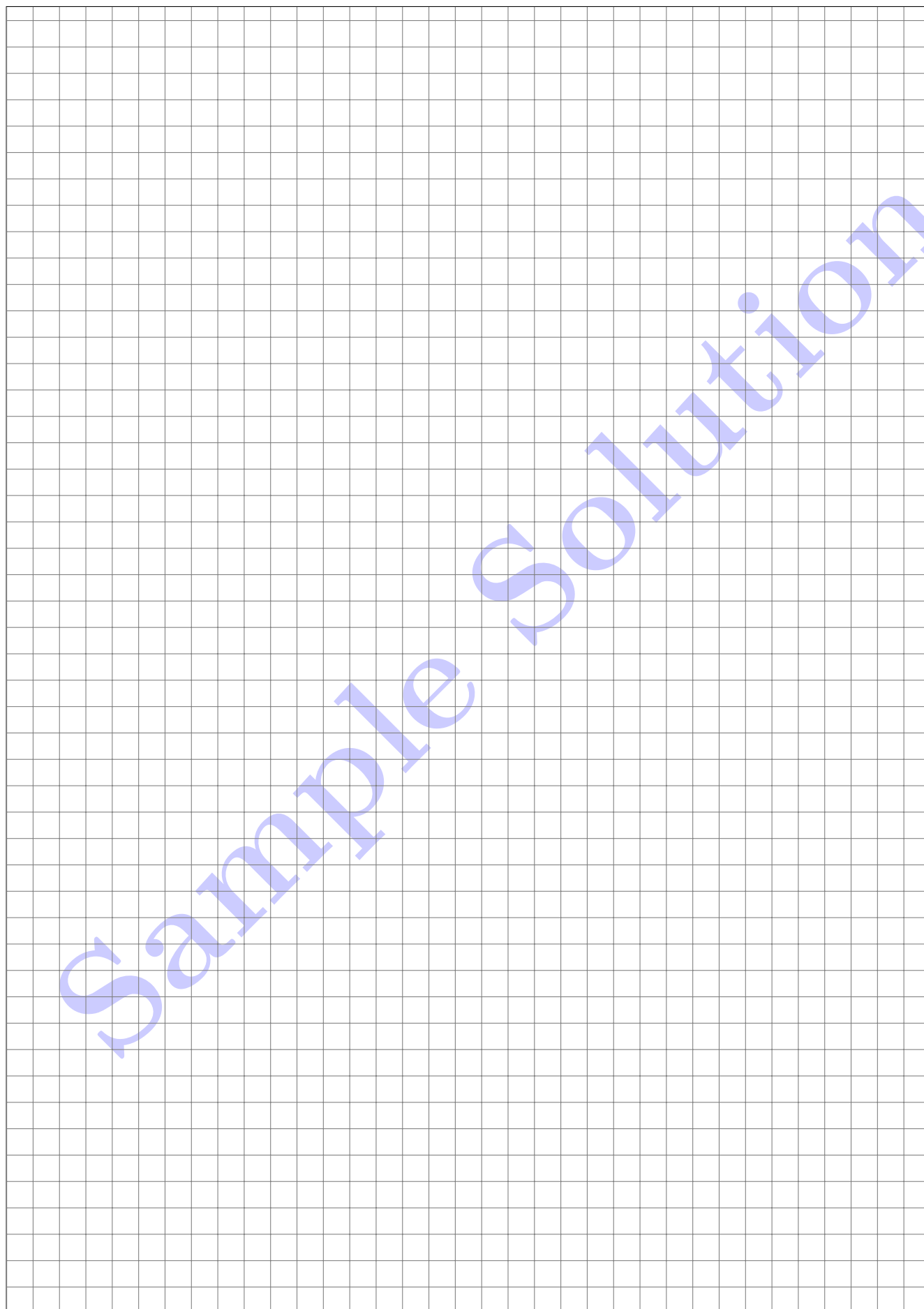
$$u_{\text{out}} = U_{\text{sat}} \checkmark$$

- 0 ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ c) Determine the range for  $i_4$  such that the Op-Omp is in positive saturation.

$$u_d = U_{\text{sat}} + \frac{i_4}{G_4} \checkmark$$

With  $u_d > 0$ , we can infer that  $i_4 > -U_{\text{sat}}G_4$ .  $\checkmark$

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