

1 Notes

1.1 KVL/KCL review

Kirchoff's Circuit Laws are two important laws used for analyzing circuits. Kirchoff'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 of the currents entering node 1 is $I_1 - I_2 - I_3 = 0$. Assuming I_1 and I_3 are known, we can easily obtain a solvable equation for V_x by plugging in Ohm's law: $I_1 - \frac{V_x}{R_1} - I_3 = 0$

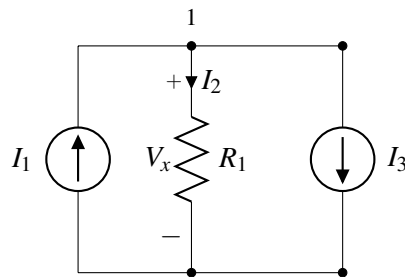


Figure 1: KCL Circuit

Kirchoff'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 which yields $-V_1 + V_x + V_y = 0$. Using the relationships $V_x = i * R_1$ 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.

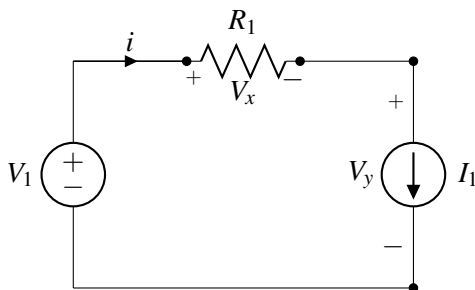


Figure 2: KVL Circuit

1.2 Op-amp Review

Figure 1 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.

Conditions Required for Golden Rule:

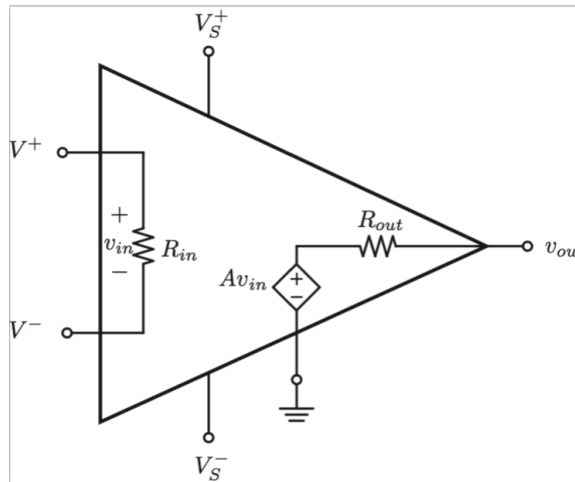


Figure 3: General Op-Amp Model

- $R_{in} \rightarrow \infty$
- $R_{out} \rightarrow 0$
- $A_{v_{in}} \rightarrow \infty$
- The op-amp must be operated in negative feedback

When conditions 1-3 are met, the op-amp is considered ideal. Figure 2 shows an ideal op-amp in negative feedback, which can be analyzed using the golden rules.

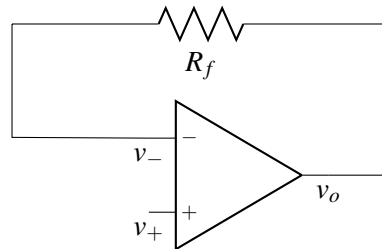


Figure 4: Ideal Op-Amp in Negative Feedback

Golden rules of ideal op-amps in negative feedback:

- No current can flow into the input terminals ($I_- = 0$ and $I_+ = 0$)
- The (+) and (-) terminals are at the same voltage ($V_+ = V_-$)

1. KVL/KCL review

Use Kirchoff's Laws on the circuit below to find v_x , i_s , i_{in} and the power provided by the dependent current source. You can use $R_1 = 2\Omega$, $R_2 = 4\Omega$, and $R_3 = 2\Omega$. To help with solving the problem, we have already found the voltage difference across R_1 and R_3 .

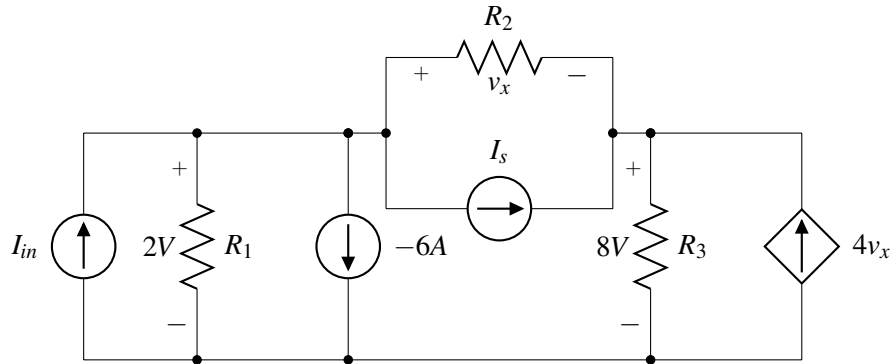


Figure 5: Example Circuit

- What is v_x ?
- What is I_s ?
- What is I_{in} ?
- What is the power output of the dependent current source on the far right?

2. Op-amp Consider the following circuit:

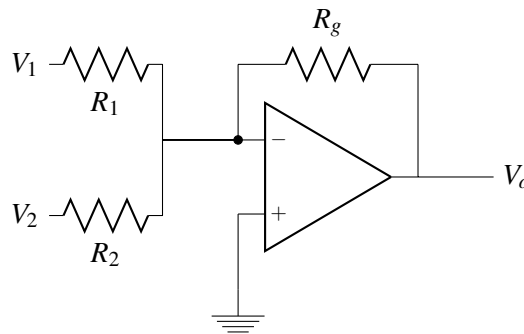


Figure 6: Op-amp Summer

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