Course on Linear Circuits

Jennifer Hasler

Course Website:

- http://hasler.ece.gatech.edu/Courses/ECE2040/index.html
- Priority for open materials
- Short Lecture (YouTube) Nuggets

Mixture of objective & subjective

- Objective → Exams
- Subjective \rightarrow Labs (often groups of 2)

Other rules

- No recording / pictures allowed in class
- Groups start in a self-organized manner
- Read the Syllabus

My Research Interests:

- Floating-Gate Devices & Circuits, Nonvolatile
- Wearable computing, always-on computing, etc.
- Circuits for Machine Learning, AI, Neuroscience
- Configurable, CAD tools
- Sensory interfaces



A few points of my history:

- Began as faculty at GT in 1997
- Ph.D. in Computation and Neural Systems (Caltech, 1997)
- Grew up in FL and AZ, B.S.E. & M.S. ASU (1991)
- First startup, GTronix (2002-2010), acquired by TI
- MDiv, Emory University 2020

Circuit Measurement Anywhere



Laboratory measurements anywhere:

- Laboratory experiments can be done anywhere
- Electronics everywhere, so relatively inexpensive labs
- Utilize an acquisition system
 - (e.g. scope/function generator)

Class laboratory concepts:

- Need a data acquisition system
- Work on experiments before a class session
- Focus on understanding material deeply

Circuit Graph Concepts

Wire

(only connection, no R, L, C)

Flattened 2-Dim graph

Often: DC path to GND (→ no charge storage)

Kirchoff's Current Law (KCL)



Kirchoff's Voltage Law (KVL)













 R_1

 $\begin{array}{c} - & & \\ + & & \\ V_3 & R_2 \\ \end{array} \xrightarrow{} V_2 \\ \end{array}$

 $R_2 = 5k\Omega$

$$V_1 \stackrel{+}{\stackrel{+}{\longrightarrow}} \overline{I}$$

 $L_1 = 5mH \qquad L_3 = 10mH$ $L_2 = 10mH \qquad R_1 = 15k\Omega$

$$L_1 + (L_2//L_3) = 10$$
mH

$$R_1 + R_2 = 20 \mathrm{k}\Omega$$

 $au = 0.5 \mu s$ $au \frac{dV_2}{dt} + V_2 = \frac{1}{4}V_1$

 $V_1 = (L_1 + (L_2//L_3))\frac{dI}{dt} + V_3$ $V_3 = I (R_1 + R_2)$ $V_1 = \frac{L_1 + (L_2//L_3)}{R_1 + R_2} \frac{dV_3}{dt} + V_3$ $\tau = \frac{L_1 + (L_2//L_3)}{R_1 + R_2}$ $\tau \frac{dV_3}{dt} + V_3 = V_1$ $V_2 = V_3 \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2}$

$$\tau \frac{dV_2}{dt} + V_2 = \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} V_1$$



How to think through such a circuit?

- Parallel Combination of Resistors for V_1
- Resistive voltage divider for V_1
- Current divider from the voltage-controlled I source

$$V_{1} = V_{in} \frac{R_{2}//R_{\pi}}{R_{1} + R_{2}//R_{\pi}}$$
$$V_{out} = G_{1}V_{1}(R_{o}//R_{c})$$
$$V_{out} = V_{in} \frac{G_{1}(R_{o}//R_{c})(R_{2}//R_{\pi})}{R_{1} + R_{2}//R_{\pi}}$$



$$V_2 = (R_1 / / R_2) \left(G_s + \frac{1}{R_1} \right) V_1$$

$$R_1 = 200 k\Omega$$

$$R_2 = 20 k\Omega$$

$$G_s = 1 / 100\Omega$$

$$G_s >> rac{1}{R_1} \qquad R_1 / / R_2 o R_2$$

 $V_2 = G_s R_2 V_1 \qquad \boxed{V_2 = 200 V_1}$

Node Voltage Solutions: KCL at nodes



Node 1:

 $(V_1 - e_1)G_1 + (e_2 - e_1)G_5 + (0 - e_1)G_2 = 0$

 $V_1G_1 + e_2G_5 - e_1(G_1 + G_2 + G_5) = 0$

Node 2:

$$(V_2 - e_2)G_3 + (e_1 - e_2)G_5 + (0 - e_2)G_4 = 0$$
$$V_2G_3 + e_1G_5 - e_2(G_3 + G_4 + G_5) = 0$$

G Matrix is symmetric, positive definite Diagonal terms = sum of conductances on the node Off Diagonal terms = - sum of resistances between nodes

$$\mathbf{G} = \begin{bmatrix} G_1 + G_2 + G_5 & -G_5 \\ -G_5 & G_3 + G_4 + G_5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{i} = \begin{bmatrix} G_1 V_1 \\ G_3 V_2 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} e_1 \\ e_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Solve: $\mathbf{G} \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{i}$



Mesh 1:

$$-V_1 + I_1 R_1 + (I_1 - I_3) R_2 = 0$$
$$-V_1 + (R_1 + R_2) I_1 - R_2 I_3 = 0$$

Mesh 2:

$$-V_2 + R_3 I_2 + R_4 (I_3 + I_2) = 0$$
$$-V_2 + R_4 I_3 + (R_3 + R_4) I_2 = 0$$

Mesh 3:

 $R_2(I_3 - I_1) + R_5I_3 + R_4(I_3 + I_2) = 0$ $-R_2I_1 + (R_2 + R_4 + R_5)I_3 + R_4I_2 = 0$



Solve: $\mathbf{R} \mathbf{i} = \mathbf{v}$

R Matrix is symmetric, positive definite Diagonal terms = sum of mesh Resistances Off Diagonal terms = - sum of resistances between meshes





$$\begin{array}{c}
R_{1} & R_{2} \\
V_{in} & + & R_{s} & + & R_{s} & V_{out} \\
& & & & & \\
V_{in} & - & & & \\
\hline & & & & \\
V_{in} & - & & & \\
\hline & & & \\
\hline & & & & \\$$



Resistive Current Divider





Using Thevenin-Norton Equivalents















$$G_{m2} = 1/2k\Omega$$

 $G_s = 1/1k\Omega$
 $G_{m1} = 1/200k\Omega$
 $R_1=1M\Omega$
Resistor: 400k Ω

 $G_{m2} = 1/20k\Omega$ $G_s = 1/10k\Omega$ $G_{m1} = 1/10M\Omega$ $R_1 = 10M\Omega$ Resistor: $20M\Omega$

no Thevenin voltage source



$$V_{in}(t) \stackrel{+}{\longrightarrow} V_{1}$$

$$2.5V \stackrel{+}{\longrightarrow} V_{1}$$

$$V_{in}(t) \stackrel{+}{\longrightarrow} V_{1}$$

$$2.5V \stackrel{+}{\longrightarrow} C_{m1}V_{1}$$

$$V_{in} = V_{in} + 2.5, V_{2} = 5 - V_{1} = 2.5 - V_{in}$$

$$V_{in} = V_{in} + 2.5, V_{2} = 5 - V_{1} = 2.5 - V_{in}$$

$$V_{out} = (R_{1}/R_{2}) = (G_{m2} - G_{m1})2.5V + \frac{5V - V_{out}}{R_{2}}$$

$$V_{in} = V_{in} + 2.5V = 2.5V$$

$$V_{in} = V_{in} + 2.5V =$$





f(Ax + By) = A f(x) + B f(y)

A linear function, f(),

Superposition:

Can turn each source on separately, add the results

$$V_{1} \text{ on, } V_{2} = 0: \text{ (Resistive Divider)} \qquad V_{2} \text{ on, } V_{1} = 0:$$

$$e_{1} = \frac{R_{2}//(R_{5} + R_{3}//R_{4})}{R_{1} + R_{2}//(R_{5} + R_{3}//R_{4})} \quad V_{1} \qquad e_{2} = \frac{R_{4}//(R_{5} + R_{1}//R_{2})}{R_{3} + R_{4}//(R_{5} + R_{1}//R_{2})} \quad V_{2}$$

$$e_{2} = e_{1} \frac{R_{3}//R_{4}}{R_{5} + R_{3}//R_{4}} \qquad e_{1} = e_{2} \frac{R_{1}//R_{2}}{R_{5} + R_{1}//R_{2}}$$

 $e_1 = \frac{R_2/(R_5 + R_3//R_4) \,\mathrm{V1}}{R_1 + R_2/(R_5 + R_3//R_4)} + \frac{R_4/(R_5 + R_1//R_2)}{R_3 + R_4/(R_5 + R_1//R_2)} \frac{R_1//R_2}{R_5 + R_1//R_2} \,\mathrm{V2}$

$$e_{2} = \frac{R_{4}/(R_{5} + R_{1}//R_{2}) \text{ V2}}{R_{3} + R_{4}/(R_{5} + R_{1}//R_{2})} + \frac{R_{2}/(R_{5} + R_{3}//R_{4})}{R_{1} + R_{2}/(R_{5} + R_{3}//R_{4})} \frac{R_{3}//R_{4}}{R_{5} + R_{3}//R_{4}} \text{ V1}$$

















 $I_1 = 20.1 \mu A \text{ and } I_2 = 19.9 \mu A \rightarrow I_c = 20 \mu A, I_d = 100 nA \rightarrow I_a = 10 \mu A + 1 nA \sim 10 \mu A$

