

EIT Circuits Review

Basics

electric force: $\vec{F} = q\vec{E}$

Coulomb's law: $\vec{E} = q/4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2$

voltage: $V_{ab} = \int_a^b \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{l} = \vec{E} \cdot \vec{L}$, if const \vec{E}

Components

Resistors ($\text{---}\diagup\diagdown\text{---}$)

Ohm's law: $I = V/R$

voltage change across a resistor: $V = IR$

power dissipated in a resistor: $P = I^2 R$

addition in series: $R_{eq} = R_1 + R_2$

addition in parallel: $1/R_{eq} = 1/R_1 + 1/R_2$

Capactors ($\text{---}||\text{---}$)

definition of capacitance: $C = Q/V$

voltage change across a capacitor: $V = Q/C$

current through a capacitor: $I = dQ/dt$

energy stored in a capacitor: $E = Q^2/2C$

addition in series: $1/C_{eq} = 1/C_1 + 1/C_2$

addition in parallel: $C_{eq} = C_1 + C_2$

Inductors ($\text{---}\text{m}\text{---}$)

definition of (self) inductance: $L = V/(dI/dt)$

voltage change across an inductor: $V = L(dI/dt)$

energy stored in an inductor: $E = LI^2/2$

addition in series: $L_{eq} = L_1 + L_2$

addition in parallel: $1/L_{eq} = 1/L_1 + 1/L_2$

Kirchoff's rules

Junction rule

sum of currents into a junction is equal to sum of the currents out of the junction (conservation of charge)

Loop rule

voltage change around a closed loop is zero (conservation of energy)

Hints

- get as many equations as the unknowns
- use the junction rule first for $(N - 1)$ equations (N : number of junctions)
- then use the loop rule with smallest possible loops with least overlap until you have enough equations

AC Circuits

with an alternating-current (AC) voltage or current source, operating at a definite frequency

Complex Impedances

generalized and complex replacement for resistance

- resistor: $Z_R = R$
- capacitor: $Z_C = 1/j\omega C$
- inductor: $j\omega L$

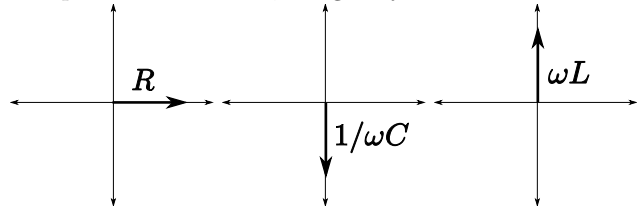
generalized version of Ohm's law: $I(t) = V(t)/Z$

or, to ignore phase difference, $I_{\text{rms}} = V_{\text{rms}}/|Z|$

- $\text{Re}[Z]$: resistance; $\text{Im}[Z]$: reactance; $|Z| = \sqrt{Z^* Z}$
- add impedances just as resistances
- power dissipation: $P_{\text{avg}} = I_{\text{rms}}^2 \text{Re}[Z]$; only real component dissipates power

Impedance on Complex Plane (Phasors)

real part on horizontal, imaginary on vertical axis

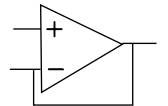


- add Z 's in series as (geometric) vector addition
- only horizontal component of Z dissipates power
- in polar form, $Z = R e^{i\theta}$
- length of Z : $R = |Z|$
- argument of Z : $\theta = \text{atan}(\text{Im}[Z]/\text{Re}[Z])$

Semiconductor Circuits

Operational Amplifiers

- differential amplifier with a huge gain
- usually used with negative feedback
- golden rules apply with negative feedback



Op-amp Golden Rules

1. input draws no current
2. voltages at the inverting input (V_-) and the noninverting input (V_+) are the same

Topics not covered here:

most basic E&M, such as magnetic fields, electric and magnetic fields with extended bodies, mutual and self inductance; most basic semiconductor circuit topics, such as nonlinear circuit elements (diodes) and active circuit elements (transistors)