

1 Natural Coupling

- circuit composed of b branches and n nodes
- calculation of $2b$ unknowns (voltage and current of each branch)

explicit variable: known, e.g. $x = 2$

implicit variable: unknown, to calculate, e.g. $x^2 = 2^x$

1.1 Nodal Analysis (NA)

- one node («0») as reference potential (known)
- voltage of each of $n - 1$ nodes \vec{x} to calculate
- $n - 1$ equations to solve
- best option for circuit simulation
- information of electronic circuit fully contained in voltage
- $\mathbf{G} \cdot \vec{x} = \vec{s}$ with nodal conductance matrix \mathbf{G} and current injection vector \vec{s}

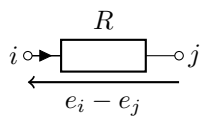
1.1.1 by inspection

build nodal conductance matrix \mathbf{G} and current injection vector \vec{s} from node equations

1.1.2 matrix stamp

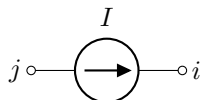
construction of the nodal conductance matrix \mathbf{G} and current injection vector \vec{s} by components

resistance R between nodes i and j :



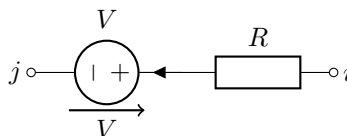
$$\mathbf{G}_{sub} = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} i & j \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} i \\ j \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{R} & -\frac{1}{R} \\ -\frac{1}{R} & \frac{1}{R} \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

ideal current source I between nodes i and j : (injecting in node i)



$$\vec{s}_{sub} = \begin{matrix} i \\ j \end{matrix} \begin{bmatrix} I \\ -I \end{bmatrix}$$

real voltage source V with in series resistance R between nodes i and j : (with $+$ at node i)

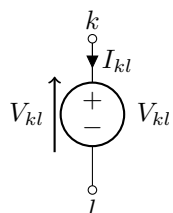


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1.2 Modified Nodal Analysis (MNA)

- extension of NA for modeling ideal voltage sources
- important to represent real devices like controlled power supplies
- add one equation (voltage between nodes) and one unknown (current through the ideal voltage source)
- nodal conductance matrix \mathbf{G} with $(n - 1 + v_{ideal}) \times (n - 1 + v_{ideal})$
- source vector \vec{s} with $(n - 1 + v_{ideal}) \times 1$
- voltage of nodes and currents of ideal voltage sources \vec{x} to calculate
- apply matrix stamp for every ideal voltage source

ideal voltage source V_{kl} between nodes k and l :



$$\mathbf{G}_{sub} = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} k & l \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} k \\ l \end{matrix} & \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \\ \hline 1 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \end{matrix}, \vec{x}_{sub} = \begin{matrix} k \\ l \end{matrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ I_{kl} \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \vec{s}_{sub} = \begin{matrix} k \\ l \end{matrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ V_{kl} \end{bmatrix}$$

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1.3 Solution methods

- Gaussian elimination: solution \vec{x} by processing \mathbf{G} and \vec{s}
- LU factorization: useful for multiple solutions with fixed \mathbf{G} and changing \vec{s} (see resistive companion)

1.4 Controlled sources

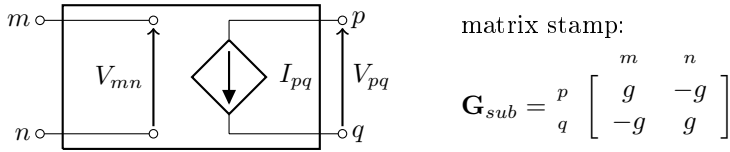
- 4 terminal device
- 2 terminals for controlling variable
- 2 terminals for controlled variable

examples:

- small signal representation of transistors
- operational amplifiers
- ideal transformers

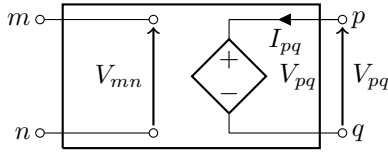
1.4.1 Voltage Controlled Current Source (VCCS)

- directly representable in nodal analysis
- characteristic equation: $I_{pq} = g \cdot V_{mn}$ with trans-conductance g and $V_{mn} = V_m - V_n$



1.4.2 Voltage Controlled Voltage Source (VCVS)

- not directly representable in nodal analysis
- characteristic equation: $V_{pq} = \alpha \cdot V_{mn}$ with $V_{pq} = V_p - V_q$ and $V_{mn} = V_m - V_n$



for nodal analysis:

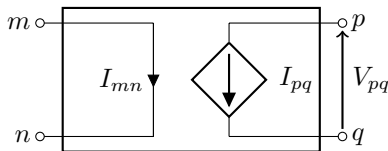
1. matrix stamp for VCCS with gain $g = \frac{-\alpha}{R_{int}}$
2. matrix stamp for parallel small internal resistance R_{int} between nodes p and q

matrix stamp for modified nodal analysis:

$$\mathbf{G}_{sub} = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} m & n & p & q \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} m \\ n \\ p \\ q \end{matrix} & \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} & & & & 0 \\ & & & & 0 \\ & & & & 1 \\ & & & & -1 \\ \hline -\alpha & \alpha & 1 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \end{matrix} \text{ and } \vec{x}_{sub} = \begin{bmatrix} I_{pq} \end{bmatrix}$$

1.4.3 Current Controlled Current Source (CCCS)

- not directly representable in nodal analysis
- characteristic equation: $I_{pq} = \beta \cdot I_{mn}$



for nodal analysis:

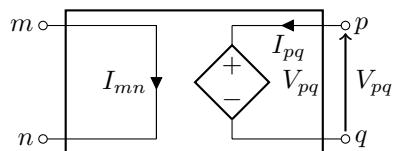
1. matrix stamp for VCCS with gain $g = \frac{\beta}{R_{mn}}$
2. matrix stamp for small resistance R_{mn} between nodes m and n

matrix stamp for modified nodal analysis:

$$\mathbf{G}_{sub} = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} m & n & p & q \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} m \\ n \\ p \\ q \end{matrix} & \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} & & & & 1 \\ & & & & -1 \\ & & & & \beta \\ & & & & -\beta \\ \hline 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \end{matrix} \text{ and } \vec{x}_{sub} = \begin{bmatrix} I_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$$

1.4.4 Current Controlled Voltage Source (CCVS)

- not directly representable in nodal analysis
- characteristic equation: $V_{pq} = r \cdot I_{mn}$ with $V_{pq} = V_p - V_q$



for nodal analysis:

1. matrix stamp for VCCS with gain $g = \frac{\beta}{R_{mn} \cdot R_{int}}$
2. matrix stamp for small resistance R_{mn} between nodes m and n
3. matrix stamp for small resistance R_{int} between nodes p and q

matrix stamp for modified nodal analysis:

$$\mathbf{G}_{sub} = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} m & n & p & q \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} m \\ n \\ p \\ q \end{matrix} & \left[\begin{array}{cccc|cc} & & & & 1 & 0 \\ & & & & -1 & 0 \\ & & & & 0 & 1 \\ & & & & 0 & -1 \\ \hline 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -r & 0 \end{array} \right] \end{matrix} \text{ and } \vec{x}_{sub} = \begin{bmatrix} I_{mn} \\ I_{pq} \end{bmatrix}$$

2 Linear circuits transient analysis - Resistive companion

- transformation of dynamic elements in a corresponding DC equivalent circuit
- represents an iteration of an integration method

2.1 Integration methods

- integration time step Δt
- smaller time step is more accurate/better
- explicit method:
 - predict the future value of the solution by using information from the previous steps
 - may diverge for large time step
 - faster calculation
- implicit method
 - requires knowledge of a value at the future time step
 - always numerically stable/will always converge
 - more effort for calculation

2.1.1 Euler Forward (EF)

- assumes function $x(t)$ is constant between $k \cdot \Delta t$ and $(k+1) \cdot \Delta t$ and equal to value $x(k \cdot \Delta t)$
- result: $y(k+1) = y(k) + x(k) \cdot \Delta t$
- explicit method

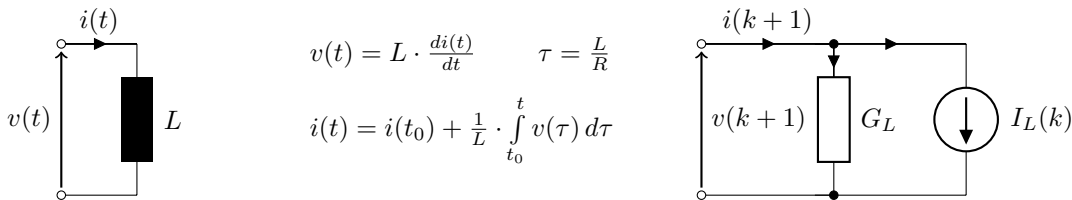
2.1.2 Euler Backward (EB)

- assumes function $x(t)$ is constant between $k \cdot \Delta t$ and $(k+1) \cdot \Delta t$ and equal to value $x((k+1) \cdot \Delta t)$
- result: $y(k+1) = y(k) + x(k+1) \cdot \Delta t$
- implicit method

2.1.3 Trapezoidal Rule (TR)

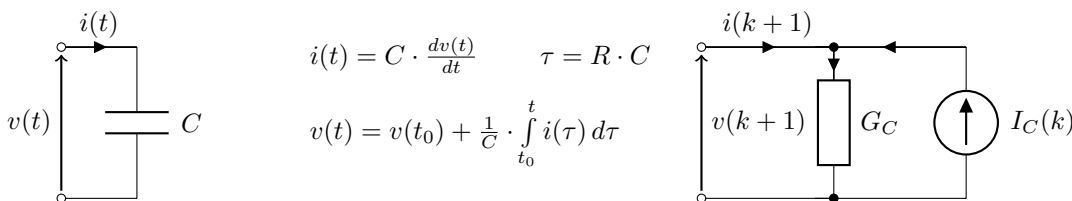
- assumes function $x(t)$ is linear between $k \cdot \Delta t$ and $(k+1) \cdot \Delta t$ with values $x(k \cdot \Delta t)$ and $x((k+1) \cdot \Delta t)$
- result: $y(k+1) = y(k) + \frac{x(k) + x(k+1)}{2} \cdot \Delta t$
- implicit method
- combination of Euler Forward and Euler Backward for better accuracy

2.2 Resistive companion formulation for an inductance



- Euler Forward: $i(k+1) = i(k) + \frac{\Delta t}{L} \cdot v(k) = I_L(k) + 0 \cdot v(k+1)$ (ideal current source)
- Euler Backward: $i(k+1) = i(k) + \frac{\Delta t}{L} \cdot v(k+1) = I_L(k) + G_L \cdot v(k+1)$
- Trapezoidal Rule: $i(k+1) = \frac{\Delta t}{2L} \cdot v(k+1) + (i(k) + \frac{\Delta t}{2L} \cdot v(k)) = G_L \cdot v(k+1) + I_L(k)$
with $G_L = \frac{\Delta t}{2L}$ and $I_L(k) = i(k) + G_L \cdot v(k)$

2.3 Resistive companion formulation for a capacitance



- Euler Forward: $v(k+1) = v(k) + \frac{\Delta t}{C} \cdot i(k)$ (ideal voltage source)
- Euler Backward: $v(k+1) = v(k) + \frac{\Delta t}{C} \cdot i(k+1)$
 $\Leftrightarrow i(k+1) = \frac{C}{\Delta t} \cdot v(k+1) - \frac{C}{\Delta t} \cdot v(k) = G_C \cdot v(k+1) - I_C(k)$
- Trapezoidal Rule: $v(k+1) = v(k) + \frac{\Delta t}{2C} \cdot (i(k+1) + i(k))$
 $\Leftrightarrow i(k+1) = \frac{2C}{\Delta t} \cdot v(k+1) - (i(k) + \frac{2C}{\Delta t} \cdot v(k)) = G_C \cdot v(k+1) - I_C(k)$
with $G_C = \frac{2C}{\Delta t}$ and $I_C(k) = i(k) + G_C \cdot v(k)$

3 Signal Coupling

3.1 State space

system state:

Amount of information at any time t_0 that, together with all inputs for $t \geq t_0$, uniquely determines the behaviour of the system for all $t \geq t_0$. State variables must be continuous and linearly representable.

state equations:

$$\dot{\vec{x}}(t) = \vec{f}(\vec{x}, \vec{u}, t) \quad \text{explicit first order differential equations}$$

output equations:

$$\vec{y}(t) = \vec{g}(\vec{x}, \vec{u}, t)$$

linear time-invariant system:

$$\dot{\vec{x}}(t) = \mathbf{A} \cdot \vec{x}(t) + \mathbf{B} \cdot \vec{u}(t)$$

$$\vec{y}(t) = \mathbf{C} \cdot \vec{x}(t) + \mathbf{D} \cdot \vec{u}(t)$$

3.2 Integration method - Predictor and corrector

improves accuracy compared with Euler-Forward or Euler-Backward

$$\dot{x} = f(x, t)$$

$$t_k \rightarrow t_{k+1}$$

predictor: (*like Euler Forward*)

$$\hat{x}_{k+1} = x_k + dy_1 \cdot \Delta t \quad \text{with } dy_1 = f(x_k, t_k)$$

corrector: (*like Trapezoidal Rule*)

$$x_{k+1} = x_k + \frac{dy_1 + dy_2}{2} \cdot \Delta t \quad \text{with } dy_2 = f(\hat{x}_{k+1}, t_{k+1})$$

3.3 Automatic state equations for circuits

- combines signal coupling and natural coupling
- uses branch parameters and circuit topology (natural coupling)
- automatically generates state space model (signal coupling)
- numerical integration technique can be selected after formulation, which simplifies programming of variable time-step integration techniques
- simple development and implementation of simulation

node incidence matrix \mathbf{A}_a : $((n) \times (b))$

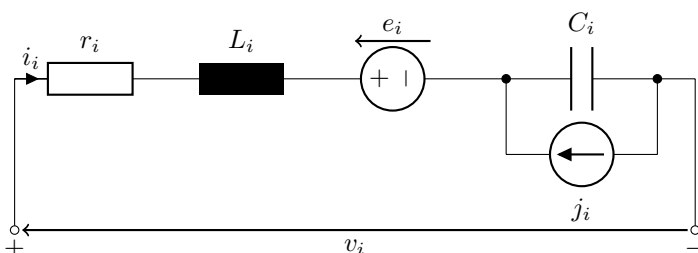
- each row corresponds to a node (n)
- each column corresponds to a branch (b) and contains two non-zero elements (1 and -1)
- for positive terminal of branch j connected to node i , $a_{ij} = 1$
- for negative terminal of branch j connected to node i , $a_{ij} = -1$
- $\mathbf{A}_a \cdot \vec{i}_{br} = \vec{0}$ with branch currents \vec{i}_{br} (from KCL)

$$\mathbf{A}_a \hat{=} \tilde{\mathbf{A}}_a = \left[\begin{array}{c|c} \mathbf{I}_{(n-1) \times (n-1)} & \hat{\mathbf{A}}_{(n-1) \times (b-n+1)} \\ \hline \mathbf{0}_{(1) \times (n-1)} & \mathbf{0}_{(1) \times (b-n+1)} \end{array} \right] \quad (\text{by matrix operations})$$

basic loop matrix \mathbf{B}_b : $((b-n+1) \times (b))$

- each row corresponds to a mesh in the circuit (b - n + 1)
- each column corresponds to a branch (b)
- -1 and 1 represents the direction of the branch voltage in the mesh
- $\mathbf{B}_b \cdot \vec{v}_{br} = \vec{0}$ with branch voltages \vec{v}_{br}
- $\mathbf{B}_b^T = \begin{bmatrix} -\hat{\mathbf{A}} \\ \mathbf{I} \end{bmatrix}$
- $\vec{i}_{br} = \mathbf{B}_b^T \cdot \vec{i}_x$ with independent branch currents \vec{i}_x

branch model: (*not suitable for representing all systems*)



$$v_i = r_i \cdot i_i + L_i \cdot \frac{di_i}{dt} + e_i + P_i \cdot \int (i_i + j_i) dt$$

state variables: (length of single sub-vectors is equal to number of branches)

$$\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{q}_c \\ \vec{i}_x \end{bmatrix}$$

input variables:

$$\vec{u} = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{j}_{br} \\ \vec{e}_{br} \end{bmatrix}$$

output variables:

$$\vec{y} = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{i}_{br} \\ \vec{v}_{br} \end{bmatrix}$$

resulting state space matrices:

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{cc} \vec{q}_c & \vec{i}_x \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{c} \dot{\vec{q}}_c \\ \dot{\vec{i}}_x \end{array} \left[\begin{array}{c|c} \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{M}^T \cdot \mathbf{B}_b^T \\ \hline -\mathbf{L}_x^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{P}_x & -\mathbf{L}_x^{-1} \cdot \left(\mathbf{r}_x + \frac{d}{dt} \mathbf{L}_x \right) \end{array} \right] \end{array}$$

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{cc} \vec{j}_{br} & \vec{e}_{br} \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{c} \dot{\vec{q}}_c \\ \dot{\vec{i}}_x \end{array} \left[\begin{array}{c|c} \mathbf{M}^T & \mathbf{0} \\ \hline \mathbf{0} & -\mathbf{L}_x^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{B}_b \end{array} \right]$$

$$\mathbf{C} = \begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{cc} \vec{q}_c & \vec{i}_x \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{c} \vec{i}_{br} \\ \vec{v}_{br} \end{array} \left[\begin{array}{c|c} \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{B}_b^T \\ \hline \mathbf{P}_{br} \cdot \mathbf{M} - \mathbf{L}_{br} \cdot \mathbf{B}_b^T \cdot \mathbf{L}_x^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{P}_x & \left(\mathbf{r}_{br} + \frac{d}{dt} \mathbf{L}_{br} \right) \cdot \mathbf{B}_b^T - \mathbf{L}_{br} \cdot \mathbf{B}_b^T \cdot \mathbf{L}_x^{-1} \cdot \left(\mathbf{r}_x + \frac{d}{dt} \mathbf{L}_x \right) \end{array} \right]$$

$$\mathbf{D} = \begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{cc} \vec{j}_{br} & \vec{e}_{br} \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{c} \vec{i}_{br} \\ \vec{v}_{br} \end{array} \left[\begin{array}{c|c} \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \\ \hline \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{L}_{br} \cdot \mathbf{B}_b^T \cdot \mathbf{L}_x^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{B}_b \end{array} \right]$$

with:

$$\mathbf{r}_x = \mathbf{B}_b \cdot \mathbf{r}_{br} \cdot \mathbf{B}_b^T$$

$$\mathbf{L}_x = \mathbf{B}_b \cdot \mathbf{L}_{br} \cdot \mathbf{B}_b^T \quad \mathbf{L}_x \text{ has to be invertible! (minimum one branch with } L)$$

$$\mathbf{P}_x = \mathbf{B}_b \cdot \mathbf{P}_{br} \cdot \mathbf{M}$$

$$\mathbf{M}: m_{ij} = 1 \text{ if capacitor } j \text{ is in the branch } i, \text{ else } m_{ij} = 0 \quad ((b) \times (\text{capacitors}))$$

$$\vec{q}_c = \int \vec{i}_c dt \quad \vec{q}_c = \mathbf{M}^T \cdot \vec{q}_{br}$$

diagonal resistance matrix \mathbf{r}_{br} :

diagonal entries correspond to branch resistances r_i

branch inductance matrix \mathbf{L}_{br} :

- self-inductances L_i (diagonal entries)
- mutual-inductances M_{ij} (off-diagonal entries)

branch potential coefficient matrix \mathbf{P}_{br} :

diagonal entries for reciprocal capacitances $\frac{1}{C_i}$ of corresponding branch i

4 Diakoptics

- dividing (tearing) the original network into a number of isolated subnetworks
- matrix of coefficients for each small network is inverted independently
- solution of the full network obtained from matrices of subnetworks
- no current or voltage sources in the removed branches, only basic components allowed
- removed branches must not form a closed loop or contain nodes not included in the remaining network
- as many variables as were in the original problem plus as many additional variables as there are removed branches

advantages:

- reduction of computational effort (n^3)
- reduction of needed storage
- economical
- solution is obtained directly by a number of definite steps without any approximations or iterations

disadvantages:

- n additional calculations for n removed branches, may overweight the advantages of this method
- decouple the network manually

notation:

- index α : nodal quantities
- index β : mesh quantities
- index ψ : removed branch quantities

4.1 mesh current analysis

1. known voltage sources \vec{E}_β in branches
2. unknown mesh currents \vec{i}_β (*to calculate*)
3. build equivalent network with equivalent voltage sources \vec{e}_β
4. build removed network with equivalent current sources \vec{i}_ψ and voltages across removed branches \vec{v}_ψ
5. build \vec{i}_ψ from mesh currents \vec{i}_β :

$$\vec{i}_\psi = \mathbf{C}_{\psi\beta} \cdot \vec{i}_\beta$$
 with connection matrix $\mathbf{C}_{\psi\beta}$
6. build \vec{e}_β from voltages across removed branches \vec{v}_ψ :

$$\vec{e}_\beta = \mathbf{B}_{\beta\psi} \cdot \vec{v}_\psi = -\mathbf{C}_{\beta\psi}^t \cdot \vec{v}_\psi$$
7. build mesh current equations of equivalent network:

$$\tilde{\mathbf{Z}}_{\beta\beta} \cdot \vec{i}_\beta = \vec{E}_\beta + \vec{e}_\beta$$
 with block diagonal impedance matrix $\tilde{\mathbf{Z}}_{\beta\beta}$ of divided subnetworks
8. build relation between currents and voltages of removed network:

$$\vec{i}_\psi = \mathbf{Y}_{\psi\psi} \cdot \vec{v}_\psi$$
9. build fundamental equations of Diakoptics:

$$\tilde{\mathbf{Z}}_{\beta\beta} \cdot \vec{i}_\beta = \vec{E}_\beta - \mathbf{C}_{\beta\psi}^t \cdot \vec{v}_\psi$$

$$\mathbf{Y}_{\psi\psi} \cdot \vec{v}_\psi = \mathbf{C}_{\psi\beta} \cdot \vec{i}_\beta$$
10. build solution for unknown mesh currents \vec{i}_β :

$$\vec{i}_\beta = \tilde{\mathbf{Z}}_{\beta\beta}^{-1} \cdot \left(\vec{E}_\beta - \mathbf{C}_{\beta\psi}^t \cdot \tilde{\mathbf{Y}}_{\psi\psi}^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{C}_{\psi\beta} \cdot \tilde{\mathbf{Z}}_{\beta\beta}^{-1} \cdot \vec{E}_\beta \right)$$
with $\tilde{\mathbf{Y}}_{\psi\psi} = \mathbf{Y}_{\psi\psi} + \mathbf{C}_{\psi\beta} \cdot \tilde{\mathbf{Z}}_{\beta\beta}^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{C}_{\beta\psi}^t$

4.2 nodal voltage analysis

1. known current injections \vec{I}_α in nodes
2. unknown nodal voltages \vec{v}_α (*to calculate*)
3. build equivalent network with equivalent current sources \vec{i}_α
4. build removed network with equivalent voltage sources \vec{e}_ψ and currents through removed branches \vec{i}_ψ
5. build \vec{i}_α from currents through removed branches \vec{i}_ψ :

$$\vec{i}_\alpha = \mathbf{C}_{\alpha\psi} \cdot \vec{i}_\psi$$
 with connection matrix $\mathbf{C}_{\alpha\psi}$
6. build \vec{e}_ψ from voltages across removed branches \vec{v}_α :

$$\vec{e}_\psi = \mathbf{B}_{\psi\alpha} \cdot \vec{v}_\alpha = -\mathbf{C}_{\psi\alpha}^t \cdot \vec{v}_\alpha$$
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$$\tilde{\mathbf{Y}}_{\alpha\alpha} \cdot \vec{v}_\alpha = \vec{I}_\alpha + \vec{i}_\alpha$$
 with block diagonal admittance matrix $\tilde{\mathbf{Y}}_{\alpha\alpha}$ of divided subnetworks
8. build relation between voltages and currents of removed network:

$$\vec{e}_\psi = \mathbf{Z}_{\psi\psi} \cdot \vec{i}_\psi$$
9. build fundamental equations of Diakoptics:

$$\mathbf{Z}_{\psi\psi} \cdot \vec{i}_\psi = -\mathbf{C}_{\psi\alpha}^t \cdot \vec{v}_\alpha$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{Y}}_{\alpha\alpha} \cdot \vec{v}_\alpha = \vec{I}_\alpha + \mathbf{C}_{\alpha\psi} \cdot \vec{i}_\psi$$
10. build solution for unknown nodal voltages \vec{v}_α :

$$\vec{v}_\alpha = \tilde{\mathbf{Y}}_{\alpha\alpha}^{-1} \cdot \left(\vec{I}_\alpha + \mathbf{C}_{\alpha\psi} \cdot \tilde{\mathbf{Z}}_{\psi\psi}^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{C}_{\psi\alpha}^t \cdot \tilde{\mathbf{Y}}_{\alpha\alpha}^{-1} \cdot \vec{I}_\alpha \right)$$
with $\tilde{\mathbf{Z}}_{\psi\psi} = \mathbf{Z}_{\psi\psi} + \mathbf{C}_{\psi\alpha}^t \cdot \tilde{\mathbf{Y}}_{\alpha\alpha}^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{C}_{\alpha\psi}$

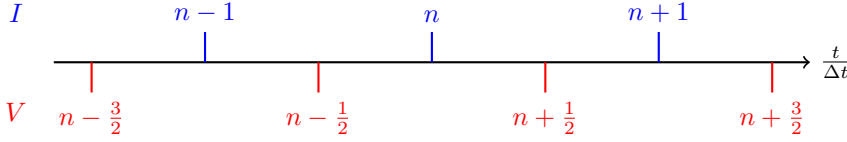
5 Latency Insertion Method (LIM)

- latency generates update equations for branch currents and node voltages
- optimally efficient algorithm, computational effort linear to size of system
- no matrix inversion needed, component by component solved independently
- could be parallelized, which increases simulation speed
- maximum time step $\Delta t_{max} < \min(\sqrt{L_{ij} \cdot C_i})$
- useable as connection tool: many blocks solved with other methods, LIM used for connecting them
- order of calculation: $[I^0 \rightarrow V^{\frac{1}{2}} \rightarrow I^1 \rightarrow V^{\frac{3}{2}} \rightarrow I^2 \rightarrow \dots]$

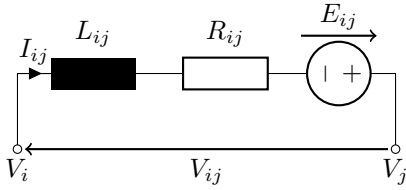
requirements for topology:

- each branch must contain an inductance, otherwise a small inductance is inserted
- each node must provide a capacitive path to ground, otherwise a small shunt capacitance is added

leap-frog algorithm:

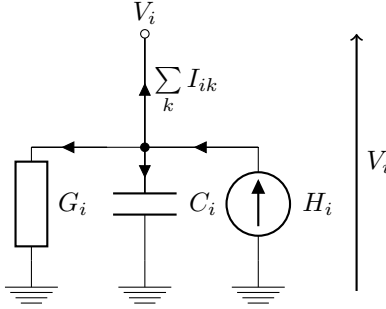


branch algorithm:



$$\begin{aligned}
 V_{ij} &= V_i - V_j = L_{ij} \cdot \frac{dI_{ij}}{dt} + R_{ij} \cdot I_{ij} - E_{ij} \\
 \Leftrightarrow V_i^{n+\frac{1}{2}} - V_j^{n+\frac{1}{2}} &= L_{ij} \cdot \left(\frac{I_{ij}^{n+1} - I_{ij}^n}{\Delta t} \right) + R_{ij} \cdot I_{ij}^n - E_{ij}^{n+\frac{1}{2}} \\
 \Leftrightarrow I_{ij}^{n+1} &= I_{ij}^n + \frac{\Delta t}{L_{ij}} \cdot \left(V_i^{n+\frac{1}{2}} - V_j^{n+\frac{1}{2}} - R_{ij} \cdot I_{ij}^n + E_{ij}^{n+\frac{1}{2}} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

node algorithm:



$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_k I_{ik} + G_i \cdot V_i + C_i \cdot \frac{dV_i}{dt} &= H_i \\
 \Leftrightarrow \sum_k I_{ik}^n + G_i \cdot V_i^{n+\frac{1}{2}} + C_i \cdot \left(\frac{V_i^{n+\frac{1}{2}} - V_i^{n-\frac{1}{2}}}{\Delta t} \right) &= H_i^n \\
 \Leftrightarrow V_i^{n+\frac{1}{2}} &= \frac{\frac{C_i \cdot V_i^{n-\frac{1}{2}}}{\Delta t} + H_i^n - \sum_k I_{ik}^n}{\frac{C_i}{\Delta t} + G_i}
 \end{aligned}$$

mutual inductance:

- leads to matrix connecting old and new values of both currents
- matrix has to be inverted only once

non-linear component:

- handle non-linear behaviour $i = f(v)$ of circuit elements by using iterative Newton-Raphson algorithm
- in branch: $V^{n+\frac{1}{2}} = f^{-1}(I_{ij}^{n+1})$
- at node: $I^n = f(V_i^{n+\frac{1}{2}})$
- iterations only on non-linear branches or nodes needed, non-linearity solved locally
- huge computational advantage compared to MNA for non-linear circuit components

other circuit elements:

- represented by resistive companion model
- e.g. branch capacitance or shunt inductance (Euler Backward)

6 Real-time simulation

- difficult to test a power system device under real conditions or in its working environment
- replace some simulation models of a system by one or several physical components
- controller HIL: low power levels with ± 10 V
- power HIL: absorbs/sinks real power

Soft Real-time:

average response time of system is met

Hard Real-time:

requires that guaranteed response time is met

Firing Signal Averaging (FSA) method:

- averages external very high frequency signal to simulation time step
- else it can't be tracked by the simulator
- e.g. switching signal of power electronics converter

conservation of energy at system's boundaries:

- for Power Hardware In the Loop (PHIL)
- power electronics interface between HUT (Hardware Under Test) and ROS (Rest Of System)
- ROS as a model in the simulator
- stability problems/erroneous results may occur due to delays in communication between interface and simulator
- power electronics interface must be much faster than HUT to be transparent, otherwise interferences possible

algorithm for conservation of energy at system's boundary:

- power electronics hardware interface based on time-variant first order approximation (TFA) of dynamics of HUT
- this compensates for delays introduced by D/A- and A/D-conversion as well as computation