

EE 210

Mesh Example

Find the value of the mesh currents i_1 and i_2 .

By inspection

$$i_1 = 10.$$

For mesh 2

$$-2(i_2 - i_1) - 2i_2 - 10 = 0$$

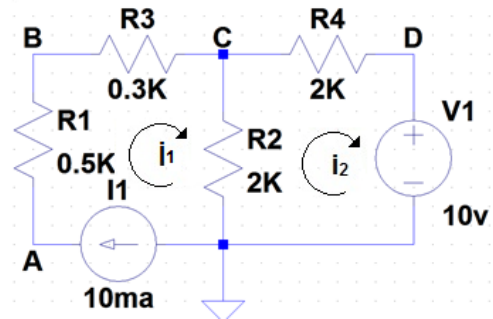
or

$$2i_1 - 4i_2 = 10$$

Substituting $i_1 = 10$ we get

$$-4i_2 = -10$$

$$\text{or } i_2 = 2.5\text{ma}$$



1. Use mesh analysis to determine the value of voltage at node B and the value of the current i_0 .

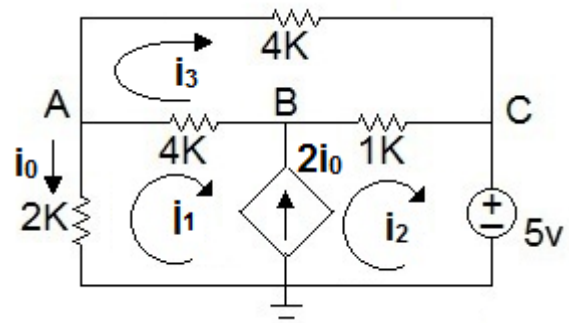
Mesh 3:

$$-4i_3 - 1(i_3 - i_2) - 4(i_3 - i_1) = 0$$

or

$$4i_1 + i_2 - 9i_3 = 0 \quad (1)$$

Cannot do mesh 1 and mesh 2 because of the current source



Create a supermesh with current i

$$-2i_1 - 4(i_1 - i_3) - 1(i_2 - i_3) - 5 = 0$$

or

$$-6i_1 - i_2 + 5i_3 = 5 \quad (2)$$

We have two equations and 3 unknowns

We know that the current in the dependent current source is $2i_0$ and we know that $i_0 = -i_1$

$$i_2 - i_1 = 2i_0 = -2i_1$$

or

$$-i_1 - i_2 = 0 \quad (3)$$

In matrix form we have

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 1 & -9 \\ -6 & -1 & 5 \\ -1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} i_1 \\ i_2 \\ i_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

In MATLAB[®] we have

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%MeshExmp.m
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A = [4 1 -9; ...
     -6 -1 5; ...
     -1 -1 0];
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b = [0; 5; 0];
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x = A^-1*b;
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disp(x);
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which gives

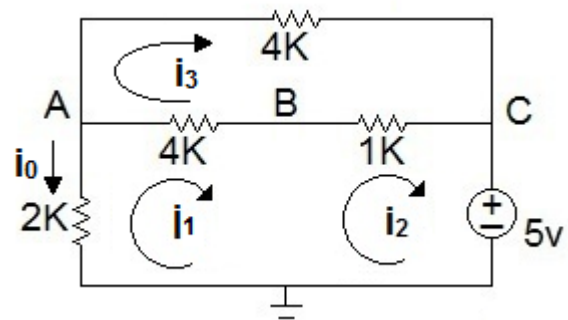
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-1.5000
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1.5000
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-0.5000
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So $i_0 = i_1 = -1.5$ ma.

The voltage at node C is +5 volts.



We can get the voltage at node B from

$$V_B = 1(i_2 - i_3) + 5 = 1(1.5 - (-0.5)) + 5 = 7 \text{ volts}$$