

Practice Problem 5.1, first part: In the schematic below, find the closed-loop gain v_o/v_s . (The second part, omitted here, asks for i_o when $v_s = 1$ V.)

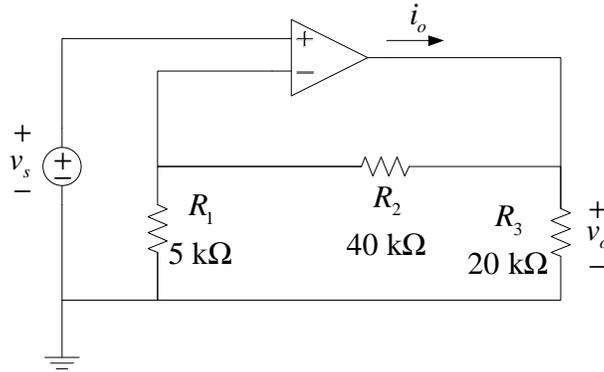


Figure 1: Schematic Diagram for Practice Problem 5.1

SOLUTION

We can use nodal analysis to solve this problem if we replace the op amp with a non-ideal model in which the gain $A = 2 \times 10^5$, the input resistance $R_{in} = 2 \text{ M}\Omega$, and the output resistance is $R_0 = 50 \Omega$. The revised schematic is shown in Figure 2. At Node A, $V_A = v_s$ and at Node C, $V_C = Av_{R_{in}} = A(V_A - V_B)/R_{in}$.

Using Kirchoff's current law at nodes B and D yields

$$\begin{aligned} i_{R_{in}} - i_{R_1} - i_{R_2} &= 0 \\ i_{R_2} + i_{R_0} - i_{R_3} &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Using Ohm's law, these equations become

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{v_{R_{in}}}{R_{in}} - \frac{v_{R_1}}{R_1} - \frac{v_{R_2}}{R_2} &= 0 \\ \frac{v_{R_2}}{R_2} + \frac{v_{R_0}}{R_0} - \frac{v_{R_3}}{R_3} &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Replacing resistor voltages with equivalent expressions using nodal voltages yields

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{v_s - v_B}{R_{in}} - \frac{v_B}{R_1} - \frac{v_B - v_D}{R_2} &= 0 \\ \frac{v_B - v_D}{R_2} + \frac{A(v_s - v_B) - v_D}{R_0} - \frac{v_D}{R_3} &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

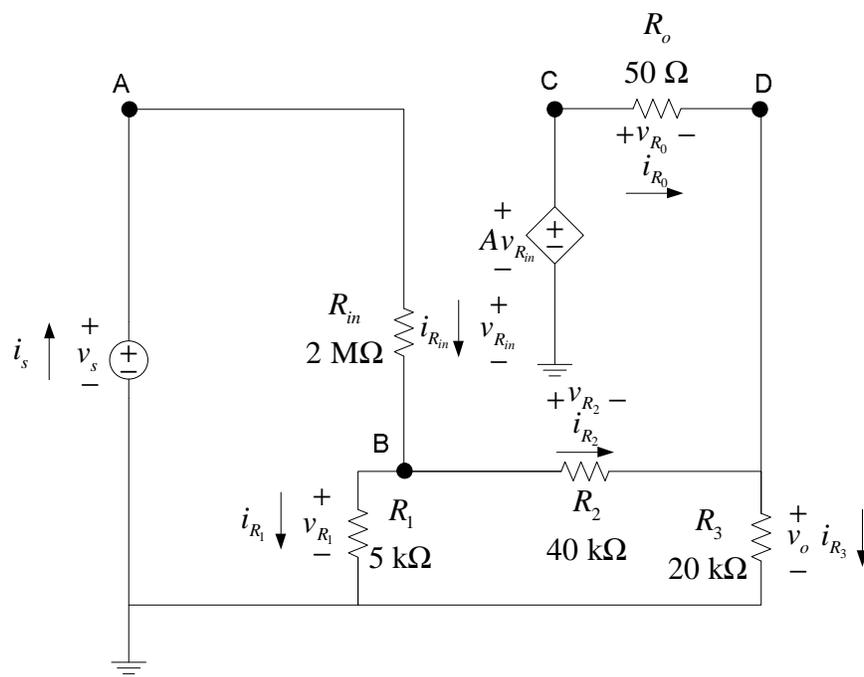


Figure 2: In this schematic the op amp has been replaced with a non-ideal model, which makes the analysis straightforward.

Regarding v_B and v_D as the unknowns, we can write these equations as

$$\begin{aligned} \left(-\frac{1}{R_{\text{in}}} - \frac{1}{R_1} - \frac{1}{R_2}\right)v_B + \frac{1}{R_2}v_D &= -\frac{v_s}{R_{\text{in}}} \\ \left(\frac{1}{R_2} - \frac{A}{R_0}\right)v_B - \left(\frac{1}{R_2} + \frac{1}{R_0} + \frac{1}{R_3}\right)v_D &= -A\frac{v_s}{R_0} \end{aligned}$$

Multiplying the first of these equations by $\frac{1}{R_2} - \frac{A}{R_0}$ and subtracting this from $\left(-\frac{1}{R_{\text{in}}} - \frac{1}{R_1} - \frac{1}{R_2}\right)$ times the second equation gives

$$\begin{aligned} &\left(\left(\frac{1}{R_{\text{in}}} + \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2}\right)\left(\frac{1}{R_2} + \frac{1}{R_0} + \frac{1}{R_3}\right) - \frac{1}{R_2}\left(\frac{1}{R_2} - \frac{A}{R_0}\right)\right)v_D = \\ &= A\frac{v_s}{R_0}\left(\frac{1}{R_{\text{in}}} + \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2}\right) + \frac{v_s}{R_{\text{in}}}\left(\frac{1}{R_2} - \frac{A}{R_0}\right) \end{aligned}$$

Solving for v_D gives

$$v_D = \frac{A\frac{v_s}{R_0}\left(\frac{1}{R_{\text{in}}} + \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2}\right) + \frac{v_s}{R_{\text{in}}}\left(\frac{1}{R_2} - \frac{A}{R_0}\right)}{\left(\frac{1}{R_{\text{in}}} + \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2}\right)\left(\frac{1}{R_2} + \frac{1}{R_0} + \frac{1}{R_3}\right) - \frac{1}{R_2}\left(\frac{1}{R_2} - \frac{A}{R_0}\right)}$$

Now $v_o = v_D$, so

$$\frac{v_o}{v_s} = \frac{\frac{A}{R_0}\left(\frac{1}{R_{\text{in}}} + \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2}\right) + \frac{1}{R_{\text{in}}}\left(\frac{1}{R_2} - \frac{A}{R_0}\right)}{\left(\frac{1}{R_{\text{in}}} + \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2}\right)\left(\frac{1}{R_2} + \frac{1}{R_0} + \frac{1}{R_3}\right) - \frac{1}{R_2}\left(\frac{1}{R_2} - \frac{A}{R_0}\right)}$$

Dividing numerator and denominator by A , we get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{v_o}{v_s} &= \frac{\frac{1}{R_0}\left(\frac{1}{R_{\text{in}}} + \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2}\right) + \frac{1}{R_{\text{in}}}\left(\frac{1}{AR_2} - \frac{1}{R_0}\right)}{\frac{1}{A}\left(\frac{1}{R_{\text{in}}} + \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2}\right)\left(\frac{1}{R_2} + \frac{1}{R_0} + \frac{1}{R_3}\right) - \frac{1}{R_2}\left(\frac{1}{AR_2} - \frac{1}{R_0}\right)} \\ &= \frac{\frac{1}{R_0}\left(\frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2}\right) + \frac{1}{R_{\text{in}}}\left(\frac{1}{AR_2}\right)}{\frac{1}{A}\left(\frac{1}{R_{\text{in}}} + \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2}\right)\left(\frac{1}{R_2} + \frac{1}{R_0} + \frac{1}{R_3}\right) - \frac{1}{R_2}\left(\frac{1}{AR_2} - \frac{1}{R_0}\right)} \end{aligned}$$

When the given values of A and the resistors are substituted into this equation, we find $v_o/v_s = 8.99959$, although the book gives the answer 9.00041.