

► The algebraic sum of the voltages around a closed loop must always be zero. ◀

This statement defines *Kirchhoff's voltage law* (KVL). In equation form, KVL is given by

$$\sum_{n=1}^{N} \nu_n = 0 \qquad \text{(KVL)}, \tag{2.11}$$

where N is the total number of branches in the loop and v_n is the nth voltage across the nth branch. Application of Eq. (2.11) requires the specification of a sign convention to use with it. Of those used in circuit analysis, the sign convention we chose to use in this book consists of two steps.

Hence, for the loop in Fig. 2-12, starting at the negative terminal of the 4 V voltage source, application of Eq. (2.11) yields

$$YVL:$$
 $-4 + V_1 - V_2 - 6 + V_3 - V_4 = 0.$ (2.12)

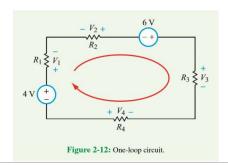


Table 2-4: Equally valid, multiple statements of Kirchhoff's Current Law (KCL) and Kirchhoff's Voltage Law (KVL).

KVL $\begin{cases} \bullet & \text{Sum of voltages around closed loop} = 0 \\ [\upsilon = "+" \text{ if } + \text{ side encountered first} \\ & \text{in clockwise direction}] \end{cases}$

Total voltage rise = Total voltage drop

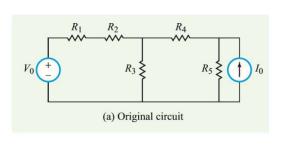
KCL/KVL Solution Recipe

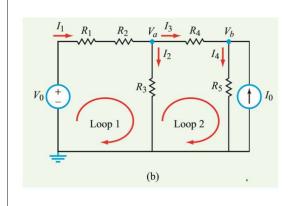
• Use KCL, KVL, and Ohm's law to develop as many independent equations as the number of unknowns (N).

(a) Write as many KVL loop equations as you can, picking up at least one additional circuit element for each loop. Let *M* be the number of such loop equations. Exclude loops that go through current sources.

(b) Write (N-M) KCL equations, making sure each node picks up an additional current.

- Write the equations in standard form (see Eq. (B.2) in Appendix B).
- Cast the standard-form equations in matrix form, as in Eqs. (B.19) and (B.20) of Appendix B.
- Apply matrix inversion to compute the values of the circuit unknowns (Appendix B).





(b) KVL equations

The circuit contains two independent loops that do not contain the current source I_0 . The associated KVL equations are:

$$\begin{array}{lll} -V_0 + I_1R_1 + I_1R_2 + R_3I_2 = 0 & (\text{Loop 1}), & \text{4 unknows} \\ -I_2R_3 + I_3R_4 + I_4R_5 = 0 & (\text{Loop 2}). & \text{2 excitors} \end{array}$$

Alternatively, we can replace either of the two loop equations with the KVL equation for the perimeter loop that includes both of them, namely the loop that starts at the ground node, then goes clockwise through V_0 , R_1 , R_2 , R_4 , and R_5 , and back to the ground node. Either approach leads to the same final result.

(c) KCL equations

We have two extraordinary nodes (in addition to the ground node). We designate their voltages as shown in Fig. 2-14(b). With current defined as positive when entering a node, their KCL equations are

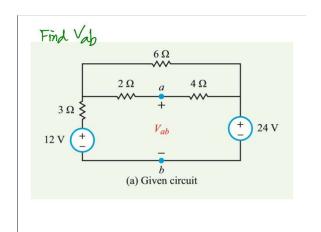
$$I_1 - I_2 - I_3 = 0$$
 (Node a), 2 squared in $I_3 - I_4 + I_0 = 0$ (Node b).

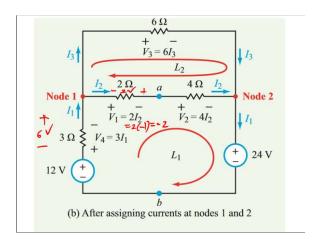
(d) Arrange equations in matrix form

This is in the form

After replacing the sources and resistors with their specified numerical values, matrix reduction, per MATLAB, MathScript, or the procedure outlined in Appendix B-2, leads to

$$I_1 = 1.1 \text{ A},$$
 $I_2 = 0.9 \text{ A},$ $I_3 = 0.2 \text{ A},$ $I_4 = 1 \text{ A},.$





In terms of the labeled voltages, application of KVL around the two loops gives $\,$

$$-12 + V_4 + V_1 + V_2 + 24 = 0$$
, (KVL for Loop 1) (2.14a)

$$V_3 - V_2 - V_1 = 0.$$
 (KVL for Loop 2) (2.14b)

Using Ohm's law for the four resistors, the two KVL equations become

$$-12 + 3I_1 + 2I_2 + 4I_2 + 24 = 0$$
, (KVL for Loop 1) (2.15a)

$$6I_3 - 4I_2 - 2I_2 = 0.$$
 (KVL for Loop 2) (2.15b)

In terms of the labeled voltages, application of KVL around the two loops gives
$$-12 + V_4 + V_1 + V_2 + 24 = 0. \qquad (KVL \text{ for Loop 1}) \quad (2.14a)$$

$$V_5 - V_2 - V_1 = 0. \qquad (KVL \text{ for Loop 2}) \quad (2.14b)$$
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$$6I_5 - 4I_2 - 2I_2 = 0. \qquad (KVL \text{ for Loop 2}) \quad (2.15b)$$
The two simultaneous equations contain three unknowns, namely I_1 to I_3 . At third equation is supplied by KCL at node 1 or node 2:
$$I_1 = I_2 + I_3. \qquad (KCL @ \text{ node 1 or 2}) \qquad (2.16)$$
Equations (2.15a), (2.15b), and (2.16) constitute 3 equations in 3 unknowns. We can solve for I_1 to I_3 either by the substitution method or by matrix inversion (Appendix B). To apply the latter, we need to cast the three equations in standard form:
$$3I_1 + 6I_2 = -12, \qquad 3 \text{ wnKnown5}$$

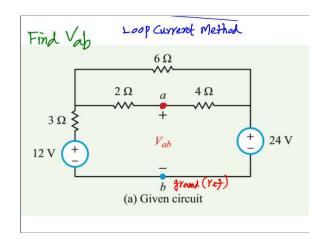
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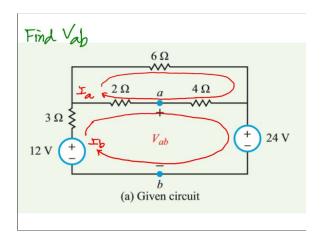
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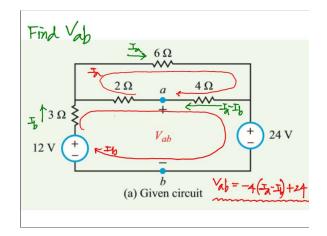
$$-6I_{2} + 6I_{3} = 0,$$

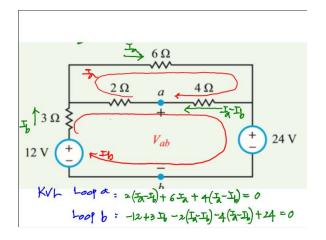
$$I_{1} - I_{2} - I_{3} = 0.$$
In matrix form:
$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 6 & 0 \\ 0 & -6 & 6 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} I_{1} \\ I_{2} \\ I_{3} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -12 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$
Matrix inversion, as outlined in Appendix B, leads to
$$I_{1} = -2 \text{ A}, \qquad I_{2} = -1 \text{ A}, \qquad I_{3} = -1 \text{ A}.$$

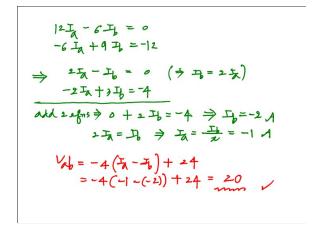
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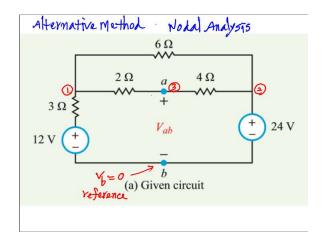


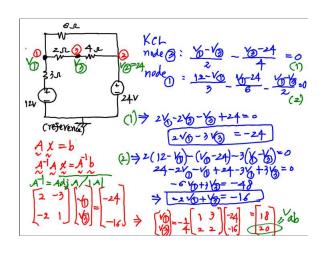












Cramer's Rule
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$$X_1 = \frac{\begin{vmatrix}
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$$X_2 = \frac{\begin{vmatrix}
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