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 Chapter 5

AP 5.1 Assume that the op amp in the circuit shown is ideal.

a) Calculate v_o for the following values of v_s :

0.4, 2.0, 3.5, -0.6, -1.6, and -2.4 V.

b) Specify the range of v_s required to avoid amplifier saturation.

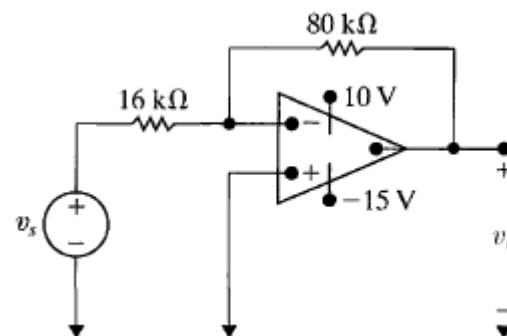
$$a) \text{Gain} := \frac{-80\text{k}\Omega}{16\text{k}\Omega} = -5$$

$$\text{Clamp}(v, H, L) := \begin{cases} H & \text{if } v > H \\ L & \text{if } v < L \\ v & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$v_s := \begin{pmatrix} 0.4 \\ 2.0 \\ 3.5 \\ -0.6 \\ -1.6 \\ -2.4 \end{pmatrix} \text{V} \quad v_o := \overrightarrow{\text{Clamp}(\text{Gain} \cdot v_s, 10\text{V}, -15\text{V})}$$

$$v_o = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ -10 \\ -15 \\ 3 \\ 8 \\ 10 \end{pmatrix} \text{V}$$

$$b) \frac{10}{\text{Gain}} \leq v_s \leq \frac{-15}{\text{Gain}} \text{ explicit, Gain } \rightarrow -2 \leq v_s \wedge v_s \leq 3$$



AP 5.2 The source voltage v_s in the circuit in Assessment Problem 5.1 is -640 mV. The 80 k Ω feedback resistor is replaced by a variable resistor R_x . What range of R_x allows the inverting amplifier to operate in its linear region?

$$v_s := -640\text{mV} \quad \text{Gain}_{\max} := \frac{10\text{V}}{v_s} = -15.625$$

$$R_{f\max} := -16\text{k}\Omega \cdot \text{Gain}_{\max} = 250\text{k}\Omega$$

$$0 < R_x < 250\text{k}\Omega$$

- AP 5.3 a) Find v_o in the circuit shown if $v_a = 0.1$ V and $v_b = 0.25$ V.
- b) If $v_b = 0.25$ V, how large can v_a be before the op amp saturates?
- c) If $v_a = 0.10$ V, how large can v_b be before the op amp saturates?
- d) Repeat (a), (b), and (c) with the polarity of v_b reversed.

a) $v_a := 0.1\text{V}$ $v_b := 0.25\text{V}$

$$i := \frac{v_a}{5\text{k}\Omega} + \frac{v_b}{25\text{k}\Omega} \quad v_o := -i \cdot 250\text{k}\Omega = -7.5\text{V}$$

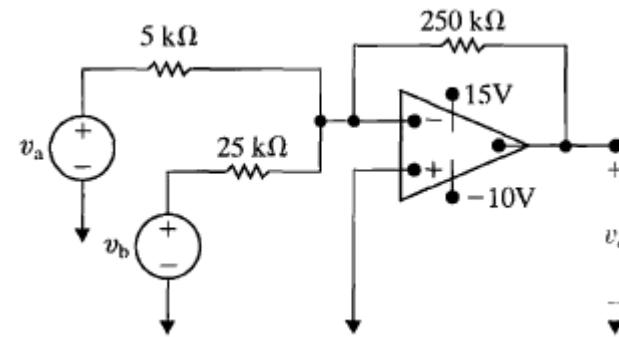
b) $v_{a_max} := \frac{-10\text{V} + 10v_b}{-50} = 0.15\text{V}$

c) $v_{b_max} := \frac{-10\text{V} + 50v_a}{-10} = 0.5\text{V}$

d) $v_b := -0.25\text{V}$ $i := \frac{v_a}{5\text{k}\Omega} + \frac{v_b}{25\text{k}\Omega} \quad v_o := -i \cdot 250\text{k}\Omega = -2.5\text{V}$

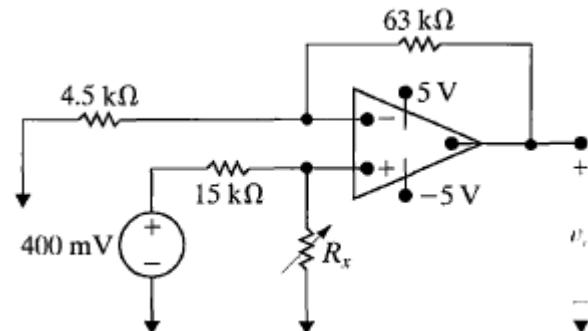
$$v_{a_max} := \frac{-10\text{V} + 10v_b}{-50} = 0.25\text{V}$$

$$v_{b_min} := \frac{15\text{V} + 50v_a}{-10} = -2\text{V}$$



AP 5.4 Assume that the op amp in the circuit shown is ideal.

- Find the output voltage when the variable resistor is set to $60 \text{ k}\Omega$.
- How large can R_x be before the amplifier saturates?



a) $v_s := 400 \text{ mV}$ $R_x := 60 \text{ k}\Omega$

$$v_p := v_s \cdot \frac{R_x}{R_x + 15 \text{ k}\Omega} = 0.32 \text{ V} \quad v_n := v_p \quad v_o := v_o$$

$$i := \frac{v_n}{4.5 \text{ k}\Omega} \quad \frac{v_o - v_n}{63 \text{ k}\Omega} = i \text{ solve, } v_o \rightarrow 4.8 \cdot \text{V}$$

b) $v_{sat} := 5 \text{ V}$ $v_n := 5 \text{ V} \cdot \frac{4.5}{63 + 4.5} = \frac{1}{3} \text{ V}$ $R_x := R_x$

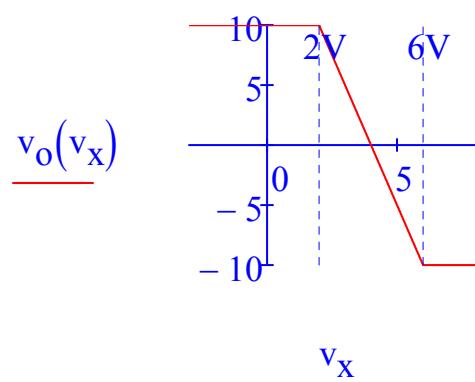
$$v_p := v_n \quad v_p = v_s \cdot \frac{R_x}{R_x + 15 \text{ k}\Omega} \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} \text{solve, } R_x \\ \text{float, 3} \end{array} \right. \rightarrow -\frac{5.0 \cdot 10^{15} \cdot \text{V} \cdot \text{k}\Omega}{(3.33 \cdot 10^{14} \cdot \text{V} - 4.0 \cdot 10^{17} \cdot \text{mV})^{1.0}}$$

$$R_x := -\frac{4.999999999999995 \cdot 10^{15} \cdot \text{V} \cdot \text{k}\Omega}{(3.33333333333333 \cdot 10^{14} \cdot \text{V} - 4.0 \cdot 10^{17} \cdot \text{mV})^{1.0}} = 75 \text{ k}\Omega$$

- AP 5.5 a) In the difference amplifier shown,
 $v_b = 4.0$ V. What range of values for v_a will
result in linear operation?
b) Repeat (a) with the $20\text{ k}\Omega$ resistor
decreased to $8\text{ k}\Omega$.

a) $v_b := 4.0\text{V}$

$$v_o(v_a) := \text{Clamp}(5v_b - 5v_a, 10\text{V}, -10\text{V})$$



$$-\left(\frac{10\text{V}}{5} - v_b\right) = 2\text{ V}$$

$$-\left(\frac{-10\text{V}}{5} - v_b\right) = 6\text{ V}$$

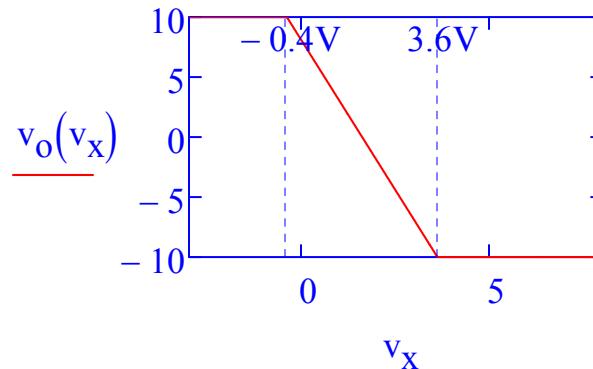
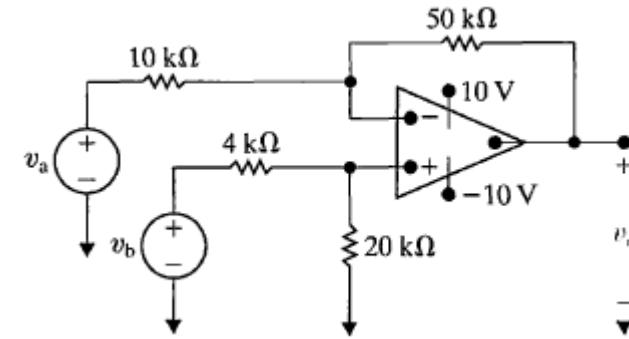
$$2\text{V} < v_a < 6\text{V}$$

$$v_o(v_a) := \text{Clamp}(2v_b - 5v_a, 10\text{V}, -10\text{V})$$

$$-\left(\frac{10\text{V} - v_b \cdot 2}{5}\right) = -0.4\text{ V}$$

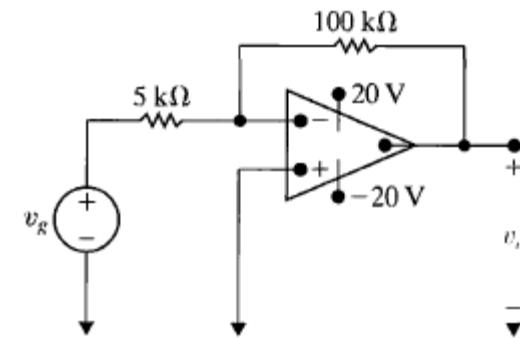
$$\frac{-10\text{V} - v_b \cdot 2}{5} = 3.6\text{ V}$$

b) $-0.4\text{V} < v_a < 3.6\text{V}$



AP 5.6 The inverting amplifier in the circuit shown has an input resistance of $500 \text{ k}\Omega$, an output resistance of $5 \text{ k}\Omega$, and an open-loop gain of 300,000. Assume that the amplifier is operating in its linear region.

- Calculate the voltage gain (v_o/v_g) of the amplifier.
- Calculate the value of v_n in microvolts when $v_g = 1\text{V}$.
- Calculate the resistance seen by the signal source (v_g).
- Repeat (a)-(c) using the ideal model for the op amp.



given

$$\frac{v_g - v_n}{5\text{k}\Omega} + \frac{v_i - v_n}{100\text{k}\Omega + 5\text{k}\Omega} + \frac{-v_n}{500\text{k}\Omega} = 0 \quad v_i = A_{OL} \cdot -v_n \quad v_o = v_i - 5\text{k}\Omega \cdot \left(\frac{v_i - v_n}{100\text{k}\Omega + 5\text{k}\Omega} \right)$$

$$v_g := 1\text{V} \quad A_{OL} := 300000 \quad v_i := -20\text{V} \quad v_n := 0\text{V} \quad v_o := 0\text{V}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} v_i \\ v_n \\ v_o \end{pmatrix} \mid := \text{find}(v_i, v_n, v_o) = \begin{pmatrix} -20.9984 \times 10^0 \\ 69.9948 \times 10^{-6} \mid \text{V} \\ -19.9985 \times 10^0 \end{pmatrix}$$

a) gain is $\frac{v_o}{v_g} = -19.9985$ b) $v_n = 69.995 \mu\text{V}$

c) $R_{in} := \frac{v_g}{v_g - v_n} = 5000.35 \Omega$ or $R_{in} := 5\text{k}\Omega + \left[\frac{(100\text{k}\Omega + 5\text{k}\Omega)}{A_{OL}} \right] \parallel (500\text{k}\Omega) = 5000.35 \Omega$

d) gain is $\frac{-100}{5} = -20$ $v_n := 0V$ $R_{in} := 5k\Omega$

While these answers match the books answers... part b) is WRONG!

The internal Voltage, v_i , is lower than the power supply voltage -20V.

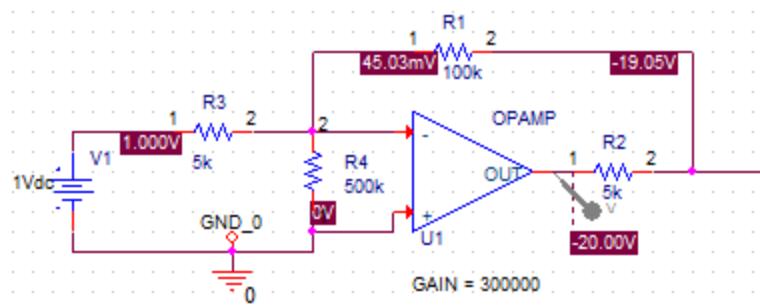
so the equations should be modified to:

Given $\frac{v_g - v_n}{5k\Omega} + \frac{v_i - v_n}{100k\Omega + 5k\Omega} + \frac{-v_n}{500k\Omega} = 0$ $v_i = \text{Clamp}(A_{OL} \cdot -v_n, 20V, -20V)$

$$v_o = v_i - 5k\Omega \cdot \left(\frac{v_i - v_n}{100k\Omega + 5k\Omega} \right)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} v_i \\ v_n \\ v_o \end{pmatrix} := \text{Find}(v_i, v_n, v_o) = \begin{pmatrix} -20 \times 10^0 \\ 45.0248 \times 10^{-3} \text{ V} \\ -19.0455 \times 10^0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{so } v_n = 45.025 \text{ mV}$$

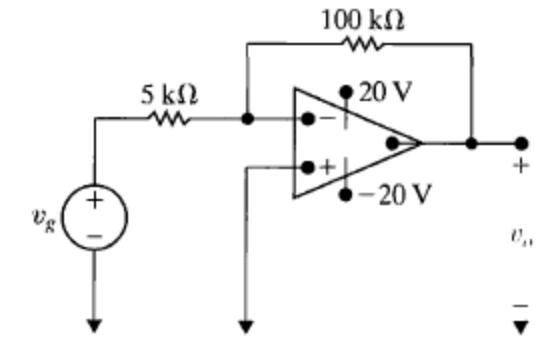
PSpice Solution to part b:



Alternative Matrix Solutions

using voltage nodes:

$$G := \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{5k\Omega} + \frac{1}{100k\Omega} + \frac{1}{500k\Omega} & 0 & -\frac{1}{100k\Omega} \\ A_{OL} \cdot S & S & 0 \\ \frac{-1}{100k\Omega} & \frac{-1}{5k\Omega} & \frac{1}{5k\Omega} + \frac{1}{100k\Omega} \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} v_n \\ v_i \\ v_o \end{pmatrix} \quad i := \begin{pmatrix} \frac{v_g}{5k\Omega} \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$



$$v := G^{-1} \cdot i \quad v = \begin{pmatrix} 69.9948 \times 10^{-6} \\ -20.9984 \times 10^0 \text{ V} \\ -19.9985 \times 10^0 \end{pmatrix}$$

using current mesh:

$$cm := \begin{pmatrix} 5k\Omega + 500k\Omega & -500k\Omega \\ -500k\Omega - A_{OL} \cdot 500k\Omega & 500k\Omega + 100k\Omega + 5k\Omega + A_{OL} \cdot 500k\Omega \end{pmatrix} \quad v := \begin{pmatrix} v_g \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$i := cm^{-1} \cdot v \quad i = \begin{pmatrix} 199.986001036 \\ 199.985861047 \end{pmatrix} \mu A \quad v_n := 500k\Omega \cdot (i_0 - i_1) = 69.9948 \mu V$$

$$v_o := A_{OL} \cdot -v_n + 5k\Omega \cdot i_1 = -19.9985 V$$