## Chapter 4

## Basic Nodal and Mesh Analysis

## THE SUPERNODE

Super node is a case in which a voltage source comes between two nodes none of them Reference

Each super node gives two equations

One equation by relating the nodal voltages to the value of the voltage source Another equation by applying KCL at the two nodes connecting the voltage source in the same equation





## Determine the value of the unknown node voltage $v_1$ in the circuit

The KCL equation at node 1

$$-8 - 3 = \frac{v_1 - v_2}{3} + \frac{v_1 - v_3}{4}$$
$$0.5833v_1 - 0.3333v_2 - 0.2500v_3 = -11$$



KCL at super node 2+3

$$3 + 25 = \frac{v_2 - v_1}{3} + \frac{v_3 - v_1}{4} + \frac{v_3}{5} + \frac{v_2}{1}$$
  
-0.5833v\_1 + 1.3333v\_2 + 0.45v\_3 = 28  
$$v_2 - v_3 = -22$$

Solving equations we get



Determine the node-to-reference voltages in the circuit

$$v_1 = -12$$
 V.

At node 2,

$$\frac{v_2 - v_1}{0.5} + \frac{v_2 - v_3}{2} = 14$$

the 3-4 supernode,

$$0.5v_x = \frac{v_3 - v_2}{2} + \frac{v_4}{1} + \frac{v_4 - v_1}{2.5}$$

$$v_3 - v_4 = 0.2v_y$$
  
$$0.2v_y = 0.2(v_4 - v_1)$$
  
$$0.5v_x = 0.5(v_2 - v_1)$$



$$\begin{array}{rcl} -2v_1 + 2.5v_2 - 0.5v_3 &=& 14 \\ 0.1v_1 - v_2 + 0.5v_3 + 1.4v_4 &=& 0 \\ v_1 &=& -12 \\ 0.2v_1 &+& v_3 - 1.2v_4 &=& 0 \end{array}$$

Solving,  $v_1 = -12$  V,  $v_2 = -4$  V,  $v_3 = 0$  V, and  $v_4 = -2$  V.

Find nodal voltages  $v_1$  and  $v_2$ 

From super node

$$V_1 - V_2 = E = 12 \text{ V}$$

KVL at super node

$$\begin{split} &\frac{V_1}{4} + \frac{V_1 - V_2}{10} + \frac{V_2}{2} + \frac{V_2 - V_1}{10} + 4 = 6\\ &\frac{V_1}{4} + \frac{V_2}{2} = 2\\ &V_1 + 2V_2 = 8\\ &12 + V_2 + 2V_2 = 8\\ &3V_2 = -4\\ &V_2 = \frac{-4}{3} = -1.333 \text{ volt}\\ &V_1 = 12 + V_2 = 12 - 1.333 = 10.667 \text{ volt} \end{split}$$

