Linear Voltage Controlled Current Source (vccs)

Positive current exits the source node and enters the sink node.

This device can also model ideal digital gates, voltage controlled resistors and voltage controlled capacitors.

Type of vccs:

You can use vccs to model three types of devices.

When type=vccs, the device is a regular voltage controlled current source. This is also the default type. When type=vcr, the device is a voltage controlled resistor. When type=vccap, the device is a voltage controlled capacitor.

Input type of vccs:

You can use vccs to model ideal digital gates. Ideal digital gates have more than one inputs. The parameter inputtype is used to specify which input is going to control the vccs (or vcr, or vccap, specified by parameter type).

When inputtype=single, the device has only one input. This is also the default inputtype. When inputtype=and/nand, the smallest input controls the device. When inputtype=or/nor, the largest input controls the device. When inputtype=npwl, node ns should be connected to either src or sink. if v(src,sink)>0, then the controlling voltage would be v(ps,sink). Otherwise, the controlling voltage is v(ps,src). When inputtype=ppwl, node ns should be connected to either src or sink. if v(src,sink)>0, then the controlling voltage would be v(ps,src). Otherwise, the controlling voltage is v(ps,sink). If inputtype is npwl or ppwl but node ns is not connected to src or sink, then spectre change inputtype to pwl.

When you are using regular vccs, you can specify and/nand/or/nor in either type parameter of inputtype parameter.

Note: Spectre does not check if the gate behaves like an and or an nand, it just takes the smallest input as the controlling voltage. And so is the case for or/nor.

This device is supported within altergroups.

Sample Instance Statement

