

Electric Circuits II – Tutorial 03

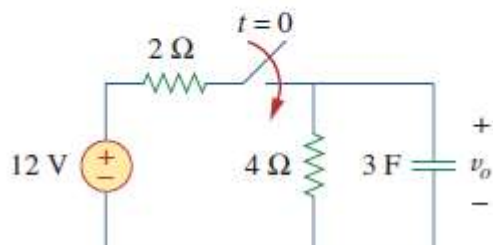
Step Response of RC/RL Circuits

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Q1

(a) If the switch in Fig. has been open for a long time and is closed at $t = 0$, find $v_o(t)$.

(b) Suppose that the switch has been closed for a long time and is opened at $t = 0$. Find $v_o(t)$.



Sol 1

$$(a) \quad v_o(t) = v_o(\infty) + [v_o(0) - v_o(\infty)] e^{-t/\tau}$$

$$v_o(0) = 0, \quad v_o(\infty) = \frac{4}{4+2} (12) = 8$$

$$\tau = R_{eq} C_{eq}, \quad R_{eq} = 2 \parallel 4 = \frac{4}{3}$$

$$\tau = \frac{4}{3} (3) = 4$$

$$v_o(t) = 8 - 8e^{-t/4}$$

$$v_o(t) = 8(1 - e^{-0.25t}) \text{ V}$$

(b) For this case, $v_o(\infty) = 0$ so that

$$v_o(t) = v_o(0) e^{-t/\tau}$$

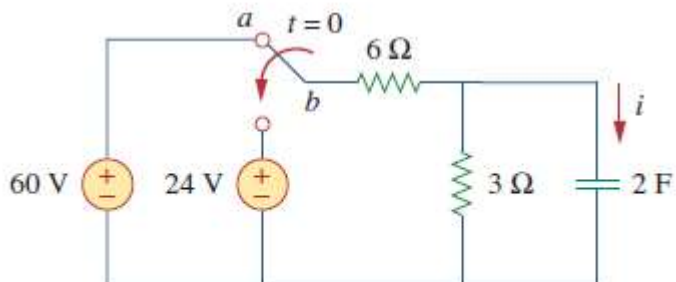
$$v_o(0) = \frac{4}{4+2} (12) = 8,$$

$$\tau = RC = (4)(3) = 12$$

$$v_o(t) = 8e^{-t/12} \text{ V}$$

Q2

The switch in Fig. 7.111 has been in position *a* for a long time. At $t = 0$, it moves to position *b*. Calculate $i(t)$ for all $t > 0$.



Sol 2

$$R_{eq} = 6 \parallel 3 = 2 \Omega, \quad \tau = RC = 4$$

$$v(t) = v(\infty) + [v(0) - v(\infty)] e^{-t/\tau}$$

Using voltage division,

$$v(0) = \frac{3}{3+6} (60) = 20 \text{ V}, \quad v(\infty) = \frac{3}{3+6} (24) = 8 \text{ V}$$

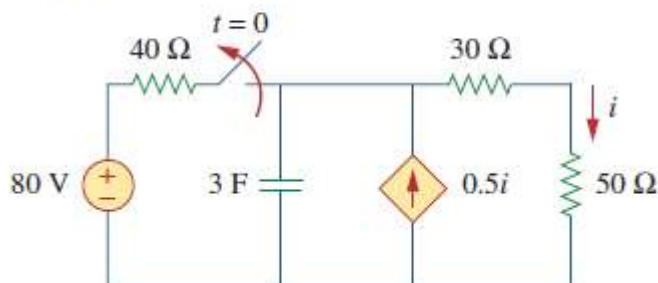
Thus,

$$v(t) = 8 + (20 - 8) e^{-t/4} = 8 + 12 e^{-t/4}$$

$$i(t) = C \frac{dv}{dt} = (2)(12) \left(\frac{-1}{4} \right) e^{-t/4} = -6 e^{-0.25t} \text{ A}$$

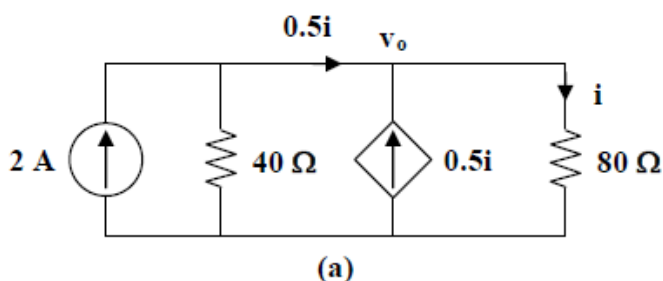
Q3

Consider the circuit in Fig. 7.110. Find $i(t)$ for $t < 0$ and $t > 0$.



Sol 3

Before $t = 0$, the circuit has reached steady state so that the capacitor acts like an open circuit. The circuit is equivalent to that shown in Fig. (a) after transforming the voltage source.

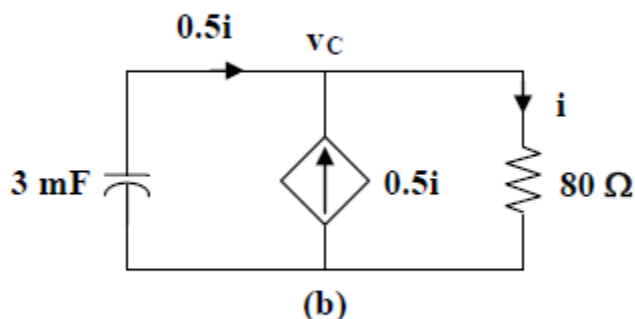


$$0.5i = 2 - \frac{v_o}{40}, \quad i = \frac{v_o}{80}$$

$$\text{Hence, } \frac{1}{2} \frac{v_o}{80} = 2 - \frac{v_o}{40} \longrightarrow v_o = \frac{320}{5} = 64$$

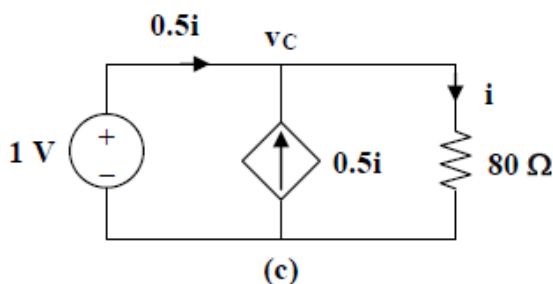
$$i = \frac{v_o}{80} = \underline{\underline{0.8 \text{ A}}}$$

After $t = 0$, the circuit is as shown in Fig. (b).



$$v_C(t) = v_C(0) e^{-t/\tau}, \quad \tau = R_{th} C$$

To find R_{th} , we replace the capacitor with a 1-V voltage source as shown in Fig. (c).



$$i = \frac{v_C}{80} = \frac{1}{80}, \quad i_o = 0.5i = \frac{0.5}{80}$$

$$R_{th} = \frac{1}{i_o} = \frac{80}{0.5} = 160 \Omega, \quad \tau = R_{th} C = 480$$

$$v_C(0) = 64 \text{ V}$$

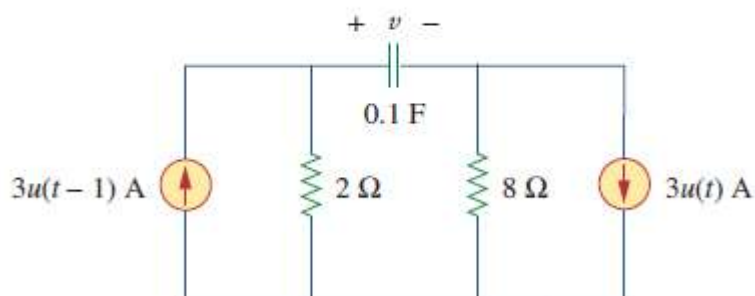
$$v_C(t) = 64 e^{-t/480}$$

$$0.5i = -i_C = -C \frac{dv_C}{dt} = -3 \left(\frac{1}{480} \right) 64 e^{-t/480}$$

$$i(t) = 800 e^{-t/480} u(t) \text{ mA}$$

Q4

Determine $v(t)$ for $t > 0$ in the circuit of Fig.
if $v(0) = 0$.



Sol 4

For $t < 0$, $u(t) = 0$, $u(t-1) = 0$, $v(0) = 0$

For $0 < t < 1$, $\tau = RC = (2 + 8)(0.1) = 1$

$v(0) = 0$, $v(\infty) = (8)(3) = 24$

$v(t) = v(\infty) + [v(0) - v(\infty)] e^{-t/\tau}$

$v(t) = 24(1 - e^{-t})$

For $t > 1$, $v(1) = 24(1 - e^{-1}) = 15.17$

$-6 + v(\infty) - 24 = 0 \longrightarrow v(\infty) = 30$

$v(t) = 30 + (15.17 - 30) e^{-(t-1)}$

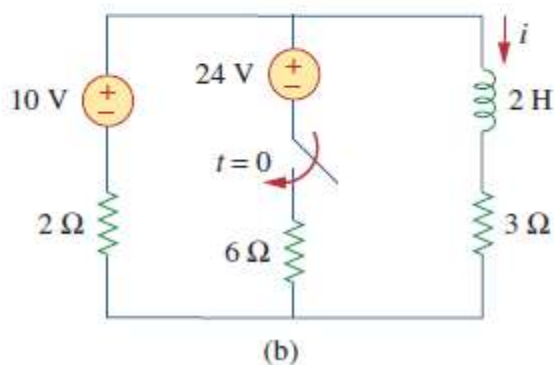
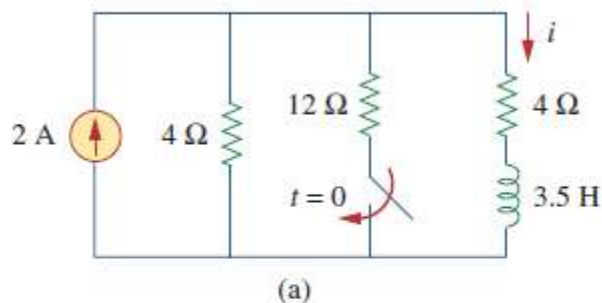
$v(t) = 30 - 14.83 e^{-(t-1)}$

Thus,

$$v(t) = \begin{cases} 24(1 - e^{-t})\text{ V}, & 0 < t < 1 \\ 30 - 14.83 e^{-(t-1)}\text{ V}, & t > 1 \end{cases}$$

Q5

Obtain the inductor current for both $t < 0$ and $t > 0$ in each of the circuits in Fig. 7.120.



Sol 5

(a) Before $t = 0$, i is obtained by current division or

$$i(t) = \frac{4}{4+4} (2) = 1 \text{ A}$$

After $t = 0$,

$$i(t) = i(\infty) + [i(0) - i(\infty)] e^{-t/\tau}$$

$$\tau = \frac{L}{R_{eq}}, \quad R_{eq} = 4 + (4 \parallel 12) = 7 \Omega$$

$$\tau = \frac{3.5}{7} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$i(0) = 1, \quad i(\infty) = \frac{(4 \parallel 12)}{4 + (4 \parallel 12)} (2) = \frac{3}{4+3} (2) = \frac{6}{7}$$

$$i(t) = \frac{6}{7} + \left(1 - \frac{6}{7}\right) e^{-2t}$$

$$i(t) = \frac{1}{7} (6 - e^{-2t}) \text{ A}$$

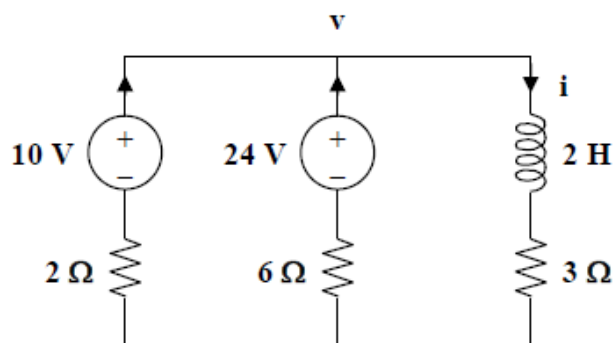
(b) Before $t = 0$, $i(t) = \frac{10}{2+3} = 2 \text{ A}$

After $t = 0$, $R_{eq} = 3 + (6 \parallel 2) = 4.5$

$$\tau = \frac{L}{R_{eq}} = \frac{2}{4.5} = \frac{4}{9}$$

$$i(0) = 2$$

To find $i(\infty)$, consider the circuit below, at $t = \infty$ when the inductor becomes a short circuit,



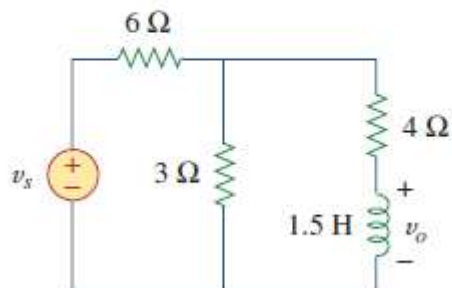
$$\frac{10-v}{2} + \frac{24-v}{6} = \frac{v}{3} \longrightarrow v = 9 \quad i(\infty) = \frac{v}{3} = 3 \text{ A and}$$

$$i(t) = 3 + (2-3)e^{-9t/4}$$

$$i(t) = 3 - e^{-9t/4} \text{ A}$$

Q6

Determine the step response $v_o(t)$ to $v_s = 18u(t)$ in the circuit of Fig.



Sol 6

Let $i(t)$ be the current through the inductor.

For $t < 0$, $v_s = 0$, $i(0) = 0$

For $t > 0$, $R_{eq} = 4 + (6 \parallel 3) = 6 \Omega$ and $\tau = \frac{L}{R_{eq}} = \frac{1.5}{6} = 0.25 \text{ sec.}$

At $t = \infty$, the inductor becomes a short and the current delivered by the 18 volts source is $I_s = 18/[6+(3\parallel 4)] = 18/7.714 = 2.333$ amps. The voltage across the 4-ohm resistor is equal to $18 - 6(2.333) = 18 - 14 = 4$ volts. Therefore the current through the inductor is equal to $i(\infty) = 4/4 = 1$ amp.

$$i(t) = i(\infty) + [i(0) - i(\infty)] e^{-t/\tau}$$

$$i(t) = 1(1 - e^{-4t}) \text{ amps.}$$

$$v_o(t) = L \frac{di}{dt} = (1.5)(1)(-4)(-e^{-4t})$$

$$v_o(t) = [6e^{-4t}]u(t) \text{ volts.}$$