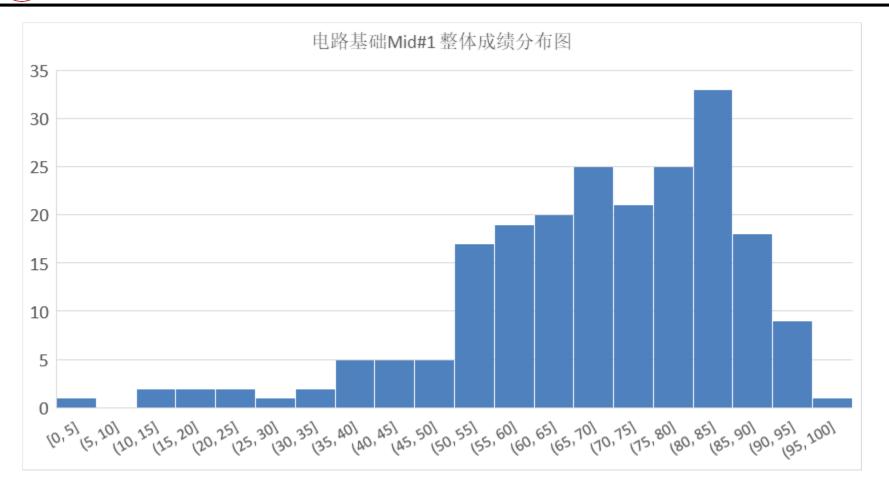


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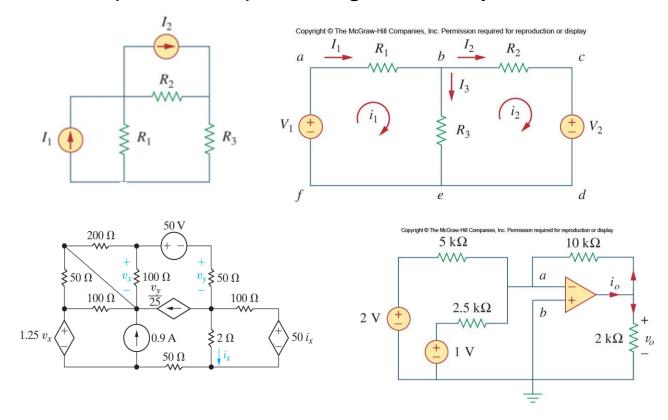


# Lecture 5 - RC/RL First-Order Circuits



#### **Temporal Behavior of Circuit Responses**

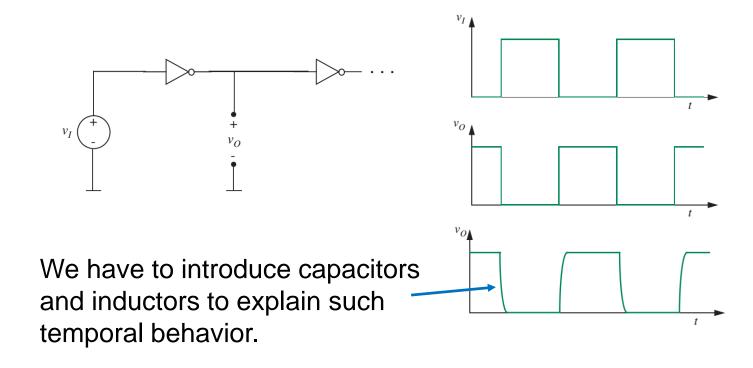
- Till now we discussed static analysis of a circuit
  - Responses at a given time depend only on inputs at that time.
  - Circuit responds to input changes infinitely fast.





#### **Temporal Behavior of Circuit Responses**

- From now on we start to discuss <u>dynamic</u> circuit
  - Time-varying sources and responses





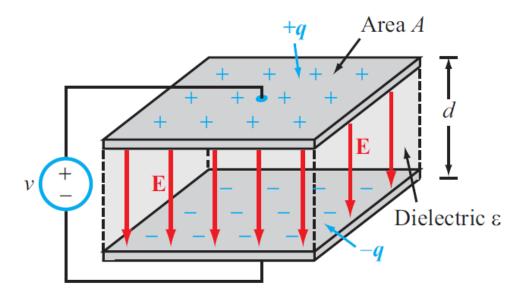
#### **Outline**

- Capacitors and inductors
- Natural response of RC/RL circuits
- Step response of RC/RL circuits



## **Capacitors**

#### Passive element that stores energy in electric field

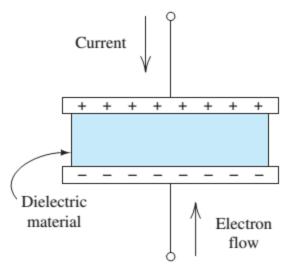


Parallel plate capacitor

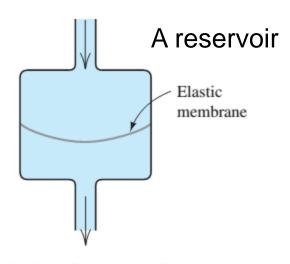
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#### **Fulid-Flow Analogy**



 (a) As current flows through a capacitor, charges of opposite signs collect on the respective plates



(b) Fluid-flow analogy for capacitance

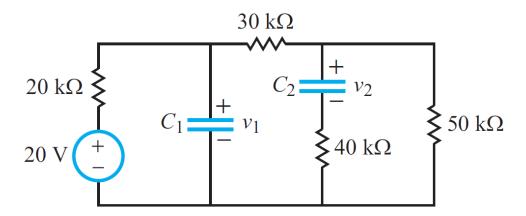
Does DC voltage generate current flow through a capacitor?

Does AC voltage generate current <u>flow through</u> a capacitor?

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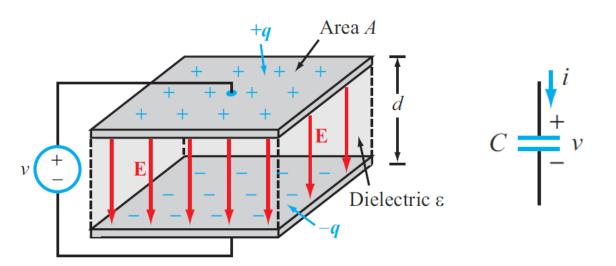


## **Example**





## **V-I Relationship of Capacitors**





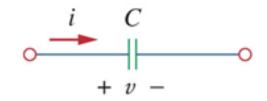
#### **Stored Energy**

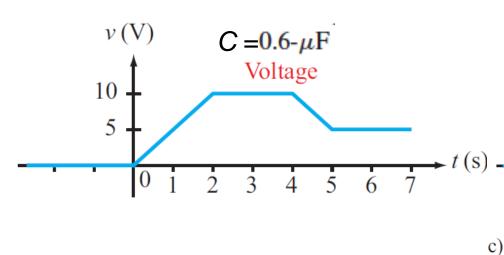


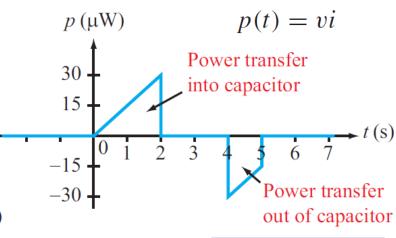
· The instantaneous power delivered to the capacitor is

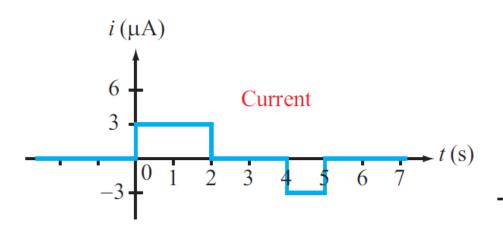
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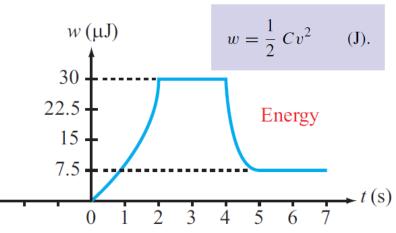
## **Capacitor Response**





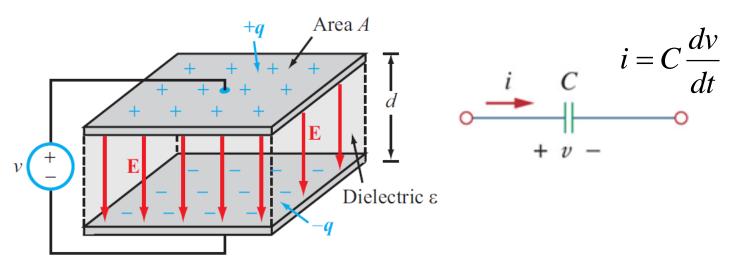




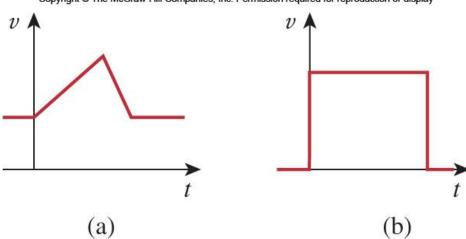


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#### **Important Property of Capacitors**



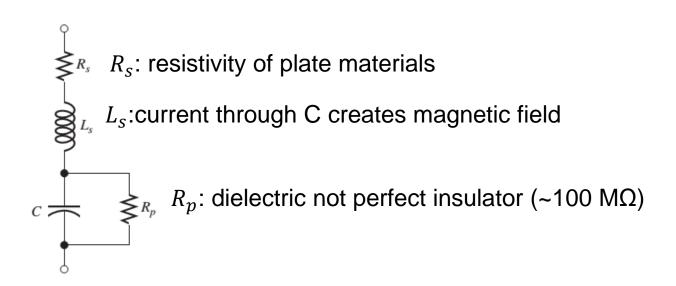
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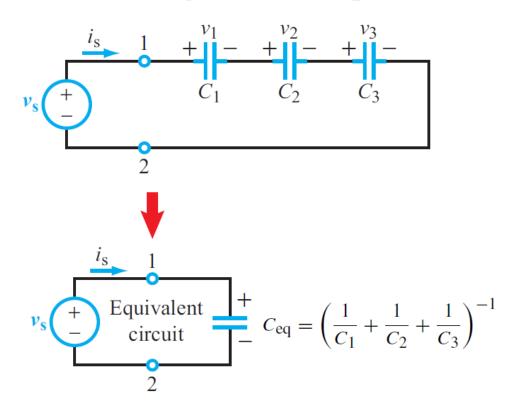
#### **Practical (Imperfect) Capacitors**

 A real capacitor has parasitic effects, leading to a slow loss of the stored energy internally.

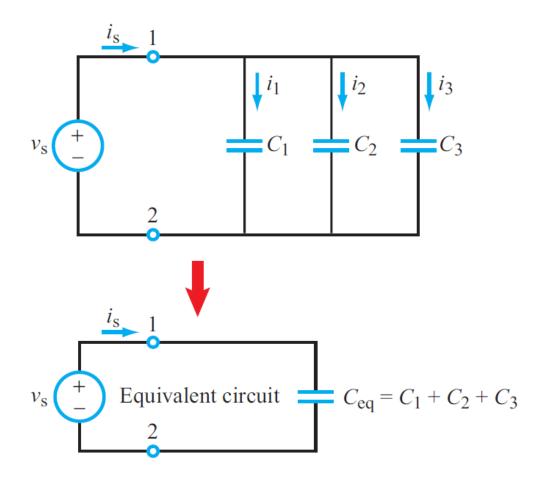


#### **Capacitors in Series**

#### **Combining In-Series Capacitors**

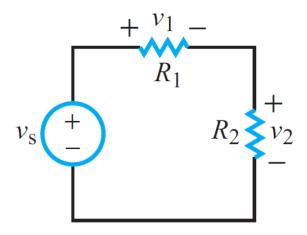


## **Capacitors in Parallel**



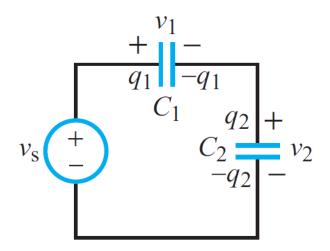
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#### **Voltage Division**



(a) 
$$v_1 = \left(\frac{R_1}{R_1 + R_2}\right) v_s$$

$$v_2 = \left(\frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2}\right) v_s$$

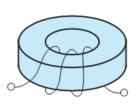


(b) 
$$v_1 = \left(\frac{C_2}{C_1 + C_2}\right) v_s$$

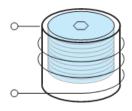
$$v_2 = \left(\frac{C_1}{C_1 + C_2}\right) v_s$$

#### **Inductors**

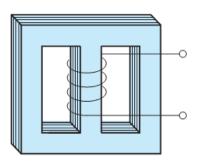
- A passive element that stores energy in magnetic field.
  - They have applications in power supplies, transformers, radios, TVs, radars, and electric motors.
- Any conductor has inductance, but the effect is typically enhanced by coiling the wire up.



(a) Toroidal inductor

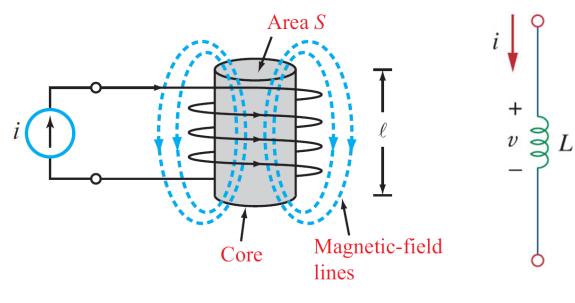


(b) Coil with an iron-oxide slug that can be screwed in or out to adjust the inductance



(c) Inductor with a laminated iron core

## **V-I Relationship of Inductors**

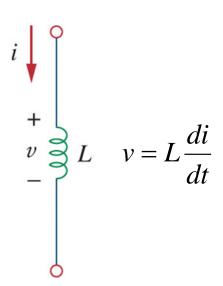


$$L = \frac{N^2 \mu S}{I}$$

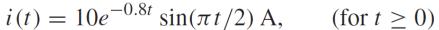
#### **Energy Stored in an Inductor**

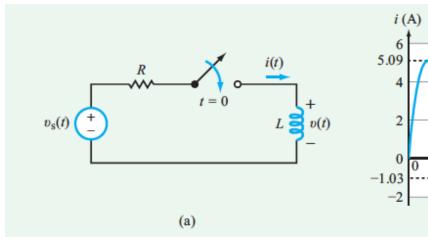
The power delivered to the inductor is:

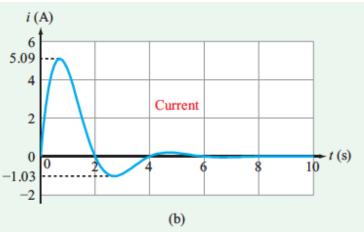
The energy stored is:

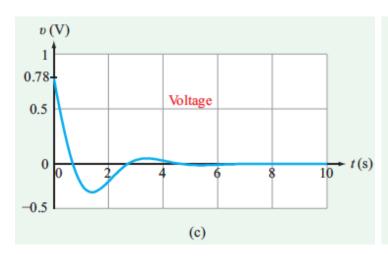


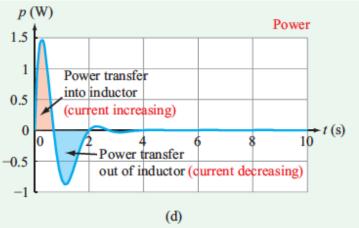
#### **Inductor Response**



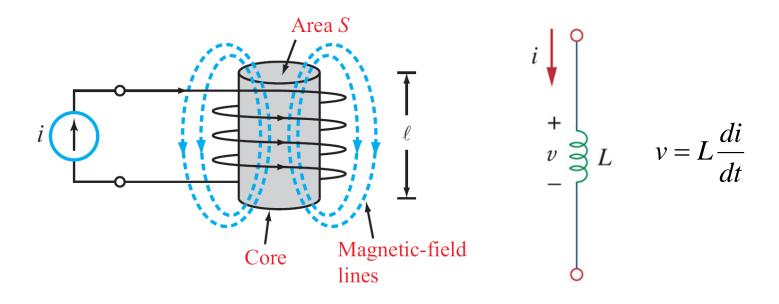


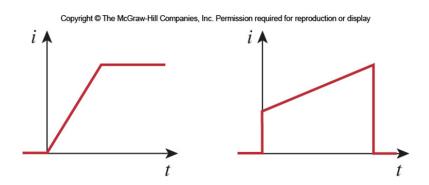






#### **Important Property of Inductors**

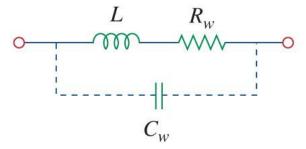




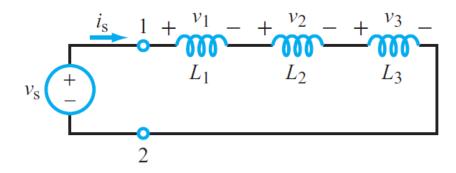
#### **Practical (Imperfect) Inductors**

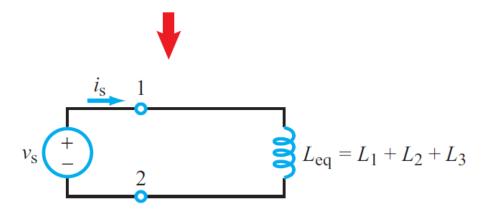
- Like the ideal capacitor, the ideal inductor does not dissipate energy stored in it.
- In reality, inductors do have internal resistance due to the wiring used to make them.
  - A winding resistance in series with it.
  - A small winding capacitance due to the closeness of the windings
  - These two characteristics are typically small, though at high frequencies, the capacitance may matter.

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#### **Inductors in Series**

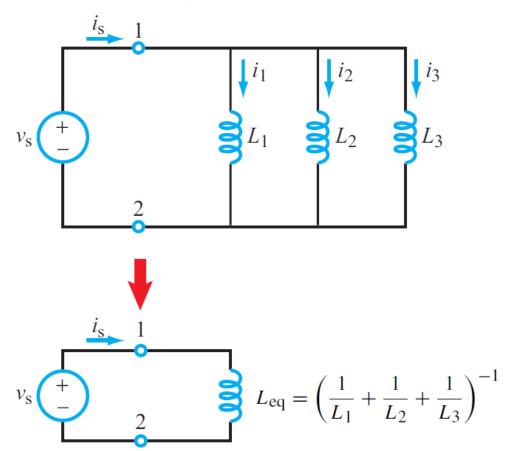




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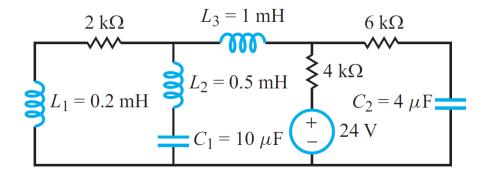
#### **Inductors in Parallel**

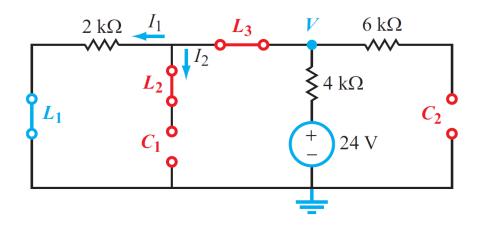
#### **Combining In-Parallel Inductors**



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## **Example**







## **Summary of Capacitors and Inductors**

Property	R	L	<i>C</i>
$i$ – $\upsilon$ relation	$i = \frac{v}{R}$	$i = \frac{1}{L} \int_{t_0}^t v  dt' + i(t_0)$	$i = C \frac{dv}{dt}$
υ-i relation	v = iR	$v = L  \frac{di}{dt}$	$v = \frac{1}{C} \int_{t_0}^{t} i  dt' + v(t_0)$ $p = Cv  \frac{dv}{dt}$
p (power transfer in)	$p = i^2 R$	$p = Li \frac{di}{dt}$	$p = C \upsilon \frac{d\upsilon}{dt}$
w (stored energy)	0	$w = \frac{1}{2}Li^2$	$w = \frac{1}{2}Cv^2$
Series combination	$R_{\rm eq} = R_1 + R_2$	$L_{\rm eq} = L_1 + L_2$	$\frac{1}{C_{\rm eq}} = \frac{1}{C_1} + \frac{1}{C_2}$
Parallel combination	$\frac{1}{R_{\rm eq}} = \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2}$	$\frac{1}{L_{\text{eq}}} = \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2}$	$C_{\text{eq}} = C_1 + C_2$
dc behavior	no change	short circuit	open circuit
Can $\upsilon$ change instantaneously?	yes	yes	no
Can i change instantaneously?	yes	no	yes



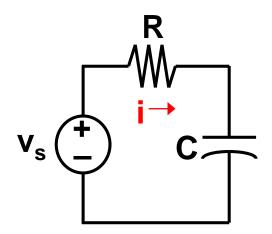
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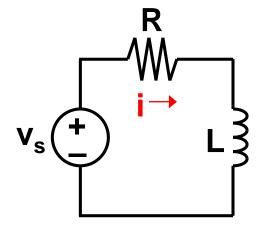
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#### **RC and RL Circuits**

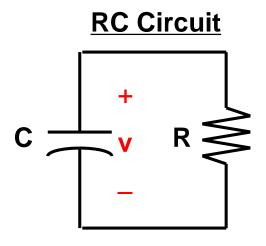
- A circuit that contains only sources, resistors and <u>a</u> <u>capacitor</u> is called firstorder *RC circuit*.
- A circuit that contains only sources, resistors and <u>an</u> <u>inductor</u> is called firstorder *RL circuit*.



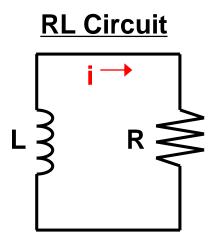




#### **RC and RL Circuits**



- Capacitor voltage cannot change instantaneously
- In steady state, a capacitor behaves like an open circuit



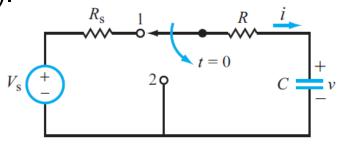
- Inductor current cannot change instantaneously
- In steady state, an inductor behaves like a short circuit.

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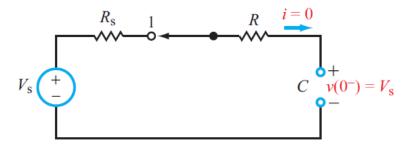


#### Natural Response of a Charged Capacitor

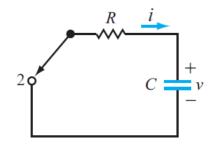
Behavior (*i.e.*, current and voltage) when stored energy in the inductor or capacitor is released to the resistive part of the network (containing <u>no independent sources</u>).



(a)  $t = 0^-$  is the instant just before the switch is moved from terminal 1 to terminal 2;

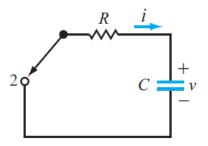


(b) t = 0 is the instant just after it was moved, t = 0 is synonymous with  $t = 0^+$ .

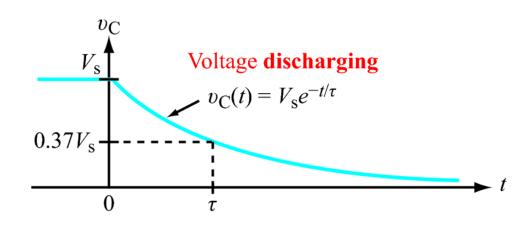


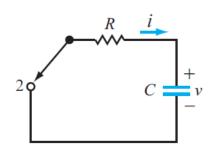


## **Natural Response of a Charged Capacitor**

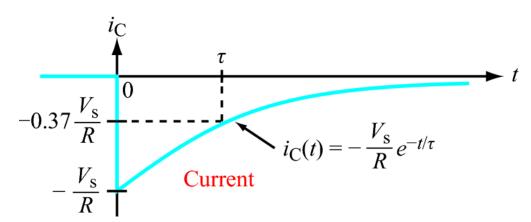


## **Natural Response of RC**



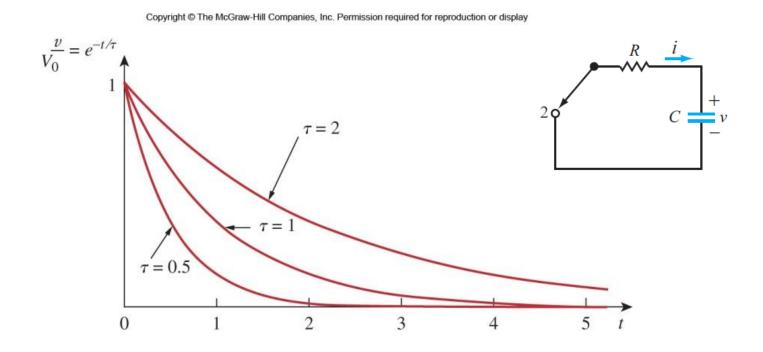


Time constant:  $\tau = RC$ 



## Time Constant $\tau$ (= RC)

 A circuit with a small time constant has a fast response and vice versa.

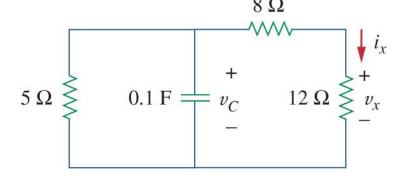




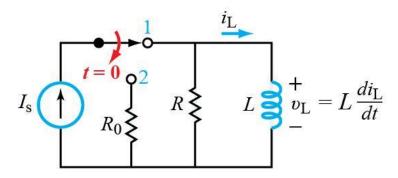
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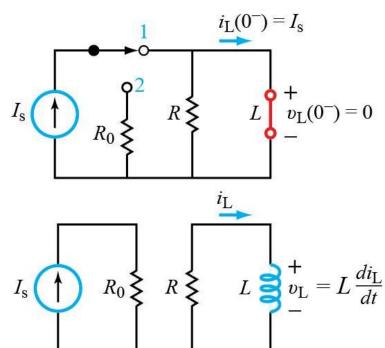
• In the circuit below, let  $v_C(0) = 15$ V. Find  $v_C$ ,  $v_\chi$ , and  $i_\chi$  for t > 0.

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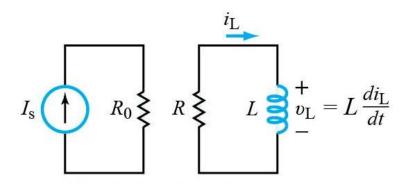
#### **Natural Response of the RL Circuit**



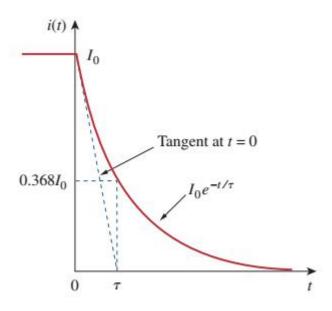




# **Natural Response of the RL Circuit**



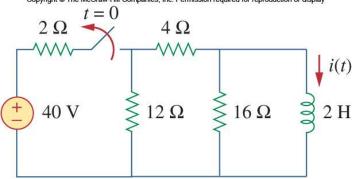
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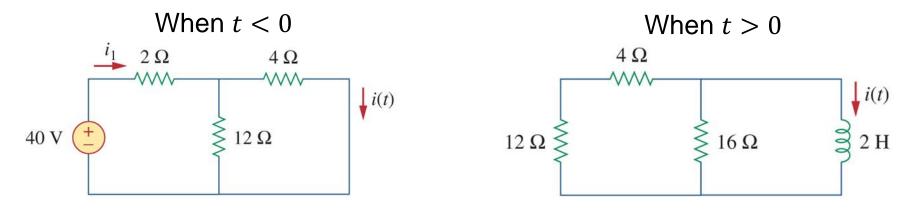




## **Example**

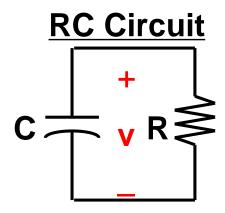
• The switch in the circuit below has been closed for a long time. At t=0, the switch is opened. Calculate i(t) for t>0.







## **Natural Response Summary**

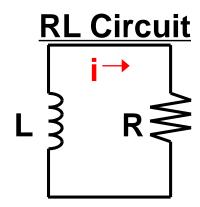


Capacitor voltage cannot change instantaneously

$$v(0^-) = v(0^+)$$

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

• time constant  $\tau = RC$ 



Inductor current cannot change instantaneously

$$i(0^-) = i(0^+)$$

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

• time constant 
$$\tau = \frac{L}{R}$$

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#### **Outline**

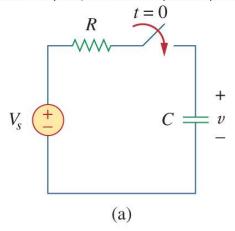
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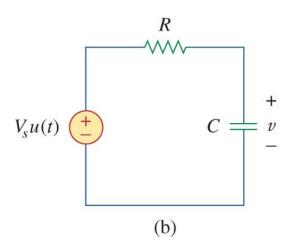


## **Step Response of RC Circuit**

- When a DC source is suddenly applied to a RC circuit, the source can be modeled as a step function.
  - The circuit response is known as the <u>step response</u>.

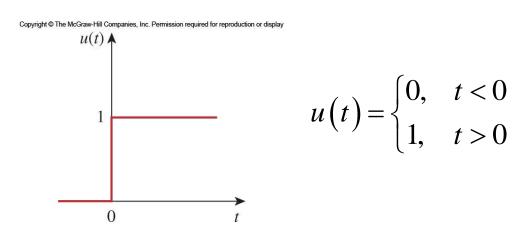
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#### The Unit Step *u(t)*

 A step function is one that maintains a constant value before a certain time and then changes to another constant afterwards.



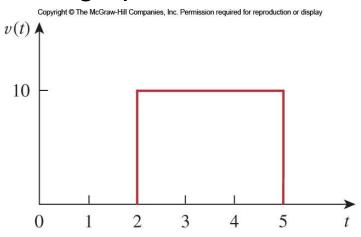
switching time may be shifted to  $t = t_0$  by

$$u(t - t_0) = \begin{cases} 0, & t < t_0 \\ 1, & t > t_0 \end{cases}$$



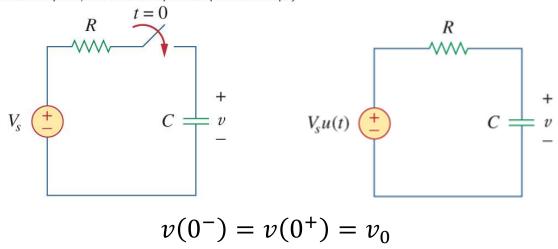
#### **Example**

• Express the voltage pulse below in terms of the unit step.



## **Step Response of the RC Circuit**

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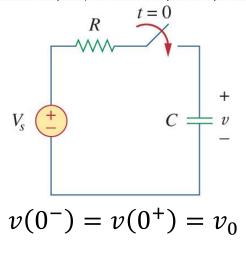




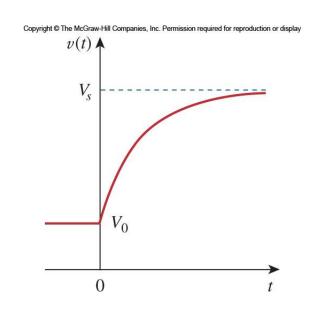
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#### Step Response of the RC Circuit

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$$v(t) = \begin{cases} V_0, & t < 0 \\ V_s + (V_0 - V_s)e^{-t/\tau} & t > 0 \end{cases}$$

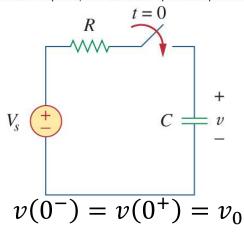


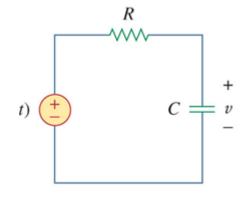
This is known as the <u>complete response</u>, or total response.



#### **Forced Response**

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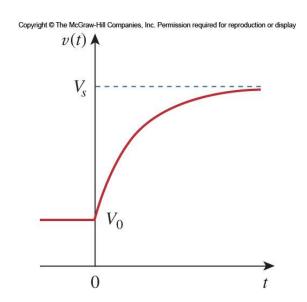


The complete response

$$v(t) = \begin{cases} V_0, & t < 0 \\ V_s + (V_0 - V_s)e^{-t/\tau} & t > 0 \end{cases}$$

can be written as:

$$v = v_n + v_f$$





Complete response = natural response + forced response independent source

or

$$v = v_n + v_f$$

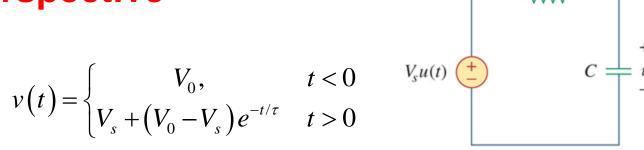
where

$$v_n = V_o e^{-t/\tau}$$

and

$$v_f = V_s(1 - e^{-t/\tau})$$

#### **Another Perspective**



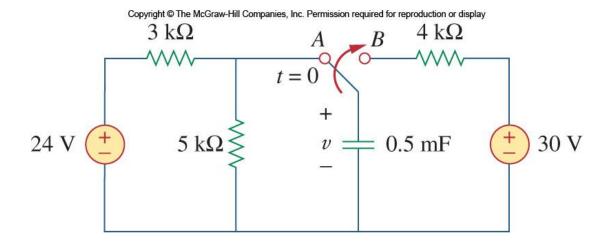
 Another way to look at the response is to break it up into the <u>transient response</u> and the <u>steady state response</u>:

$$v(t) = \underbrace{v(\infty)}_{\text{steady } v_{SS}} + \underbrace{[v(0) - v(\infty)]e^{-t/\tau}}_{\text{transient } v_t}$$



#### **Example**

• The switch has been in position A for a long time. At t=0, the switch moves to B. Find v(t).



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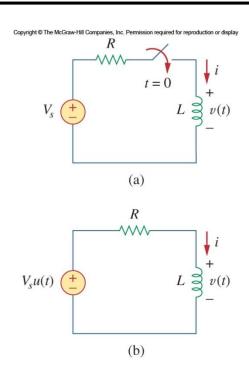
## Step Response of the RL Circuit

- We will use the transient and steady state response approach.
- We know that the <u>transient response will</u> be an exponential:

$$i_{t} = Ae^{-t/\tau}$$

 After a sufficiently long time, the current will reach the steady state:

$$i_{ss} = \frac{V_s}{R}$$



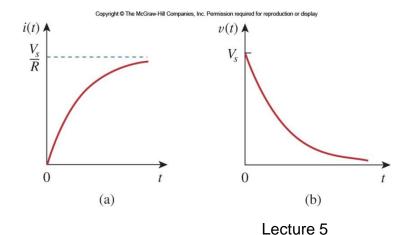
## Step Response of RL Circuit

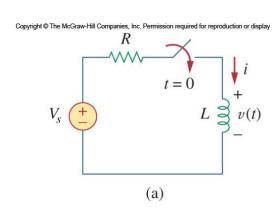
This yields an overall response of:

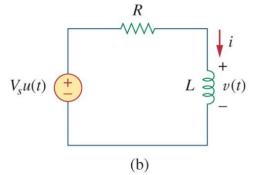
$$i = Ae^{-t/\tau} + \frac{V_s}{R}$$

$$i(0^+) = i(0^-) = I_0 \qquad A = I_0 - \frac{V_s}{R}$$

$$i(t) = \frac{V_s}{R} + \left(I_0 - \frac{V_s}{R}\right)e^{-t/\tau}$$



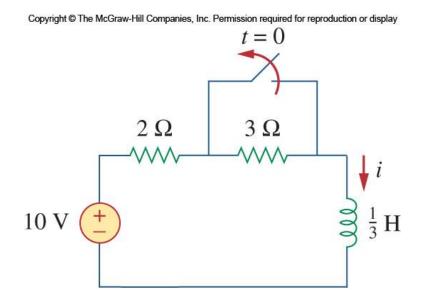






## **Example**

• Find i(t) in the circuit for t > 0. Assume that the switch has been closed for a long time.



## General Procedure for Finding RC/RL Response

#### 1. Identify the variable of interest

- For RL circuits, it is usually the inductor current  $i_L(t)$ .
- For RC circuits, it is usually the capacitor voltage  $v_c(t)$ .

# 2. Determine the initial value (at $t = t_0^-$ and $t_0^+$ ) of the variable

• Recall that  $i_L(t)$  and  $v_c(t)$  are continuous variables:

$$i_L(t_0^+) = i_L(t_0^-)$$
 and  $v_c(t_0^+) = v_c(t_0^-)$ 

• Assuming that the circuit reached steady state before  $t_0$ , use the fact that an inductor behaves like a short circuit in steady state or that a capacitor behaves like an open circuit in steady state.

#### Procedure (cont'd)

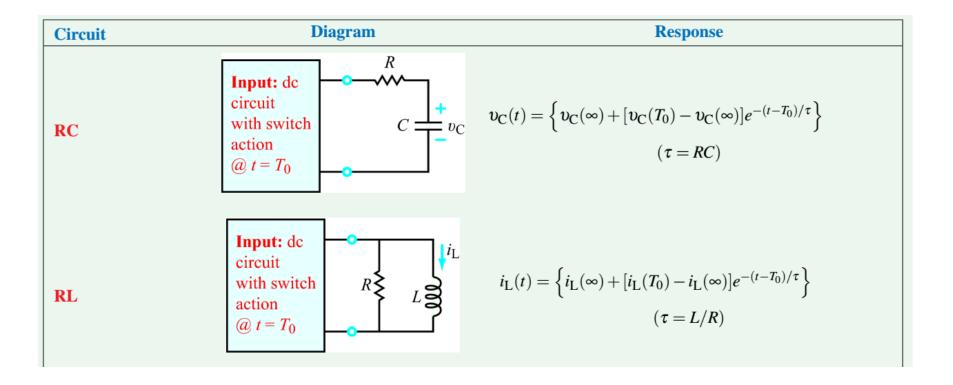
- Calculate the final value of the variable (its value as t → ∞)
  - Again, make use of the fact that an inductor behaves like a short circuit in steady state (t→∞) or that a capacitor behaves like an open circuit in steady state (t→∞).

#### 4. Calculate the time constant for the circuit

- $\tau = L/R$  for an RL circuit, where R is the Thévenin equivalent resistance "seen" by the inductor.
- $\tau = RC$  for an RC circuit where R is the Thévenin equivalent resistance "seen" by the capacitor.

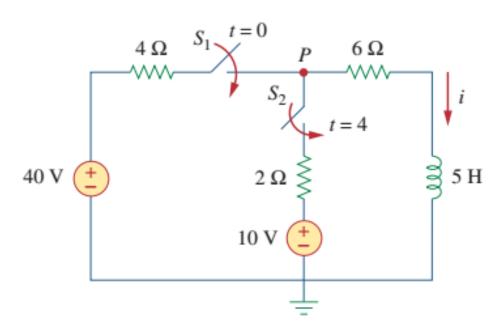


#### Response Form of Basic First-Order Circuits



#### Sequential switch

At t = 0, switch 1 in Fig. 7.53 is closed, and switch 2 is closed 4 s later. Find i(t) for t > 0. Calculate i for t = 2 s and t = 5 s.



We need to consider the three time intervals  $t \le 0$ ,  $0 \le t \le 4$ , and  $t \ge 4$  separately. For t < 0, switches  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  are open so that i = 0. Since the inductor current cannot change instantly,

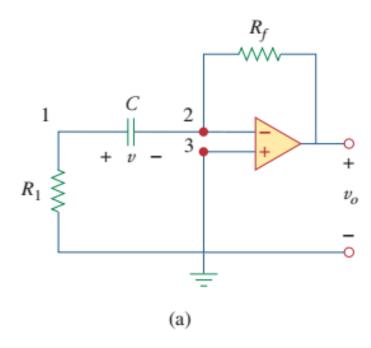
$$i(0^{-}) = i(0) = i(0^{+}) = 0$$

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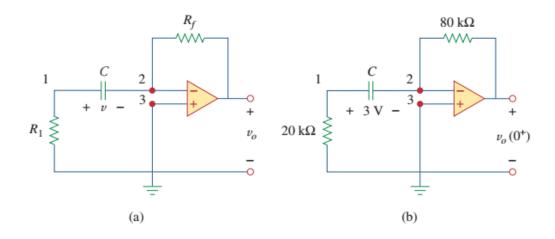


#### First-order circuit with op-amp

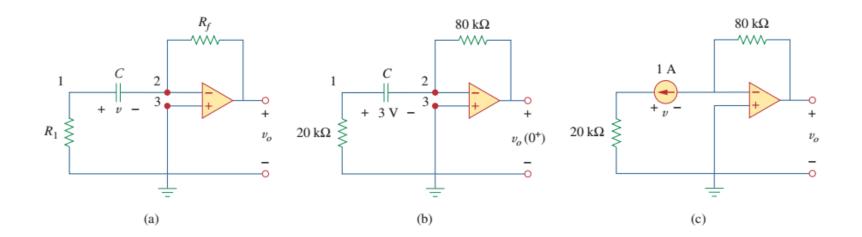
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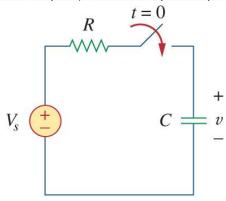
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# How about $V_s$ = 5t, RC=2s?

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