

# Practice Solutions

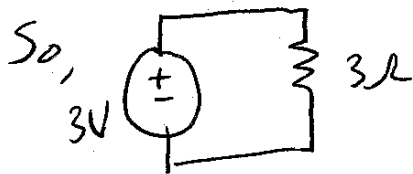
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① Here, we simply need to combine resistors:

$$\left( \left( \left( \left( \left( (3+1) // 4 \right) + 1 + 1 \right) // 4 \right) + 2 \right) // 4 \right) + 1$$

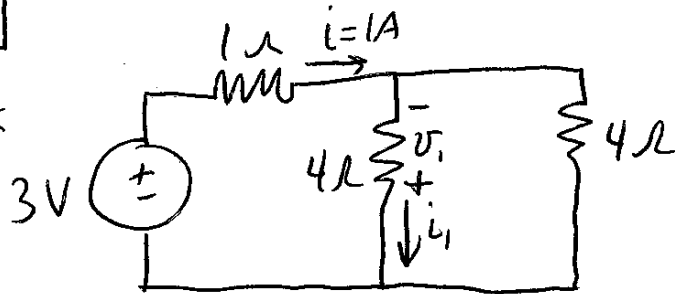
Handwritten simplification steps with curly braces:

- $(3+1) // 4 = 2$
- $2 + 1 + 1 = 4$
- $4 // 4 = 2$
- $2 + 2 = 4$
- $4 // 4 = 2$
- $2 + 1 = 3$



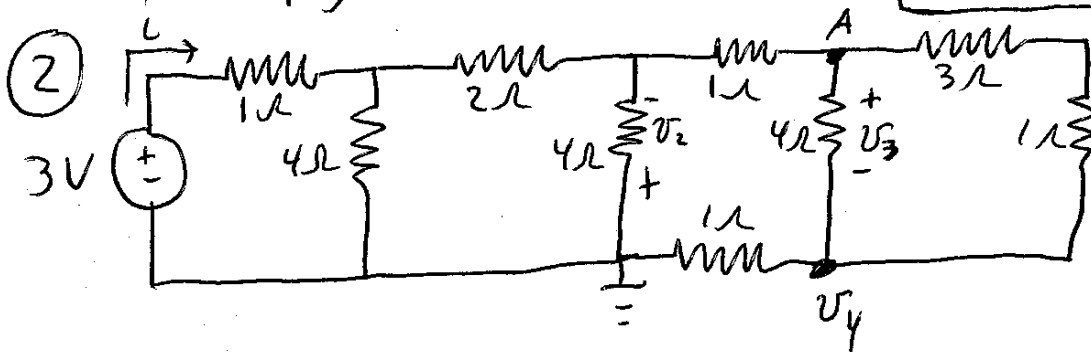
$$\therefore i = 1A$$

One step back



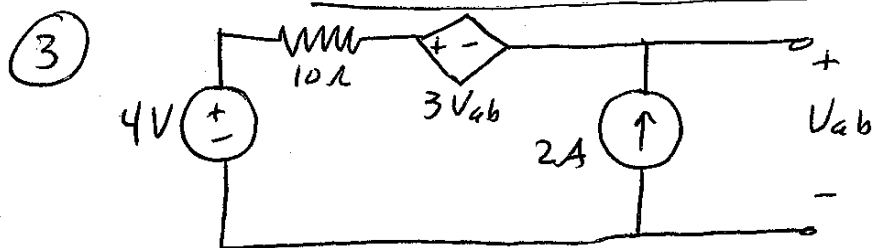
$$\therefore i_1 = \frac{4}{4+4} = \frac{1}{2} A$$

Pay attention to polarity:  $v_1 = -i_1 R = -\frac{1}{2} \cdot 4 = -2V$

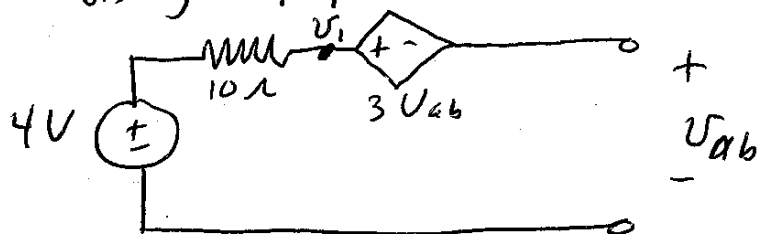


$$KCL \text{ at } A: \frac{-v_2}{1\Omega} - \frac{(v_3 + v_4)}{1\Omega} = \frac{v_3}{4\Omega} + \frac{v_3}{4\Omega}$$

This reduces to:  $V_2 + \frac{3V_3}{2} + V_4 = 0$



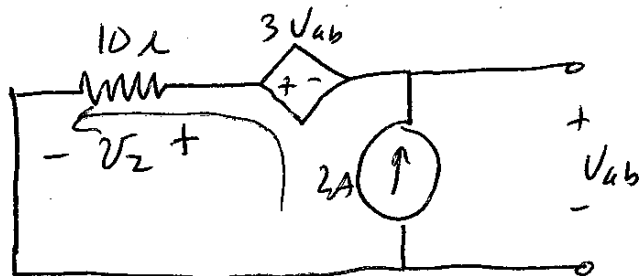
Using superposition to find  $V_{ab}$  we have:



Since no current can flow through the open circuit  
 $V_1 = 4V$

$$4 = 3V_{ab} + V_{ab}$$

$$\therefore V_{ab_{4V \text{ source}}} = 1V$$



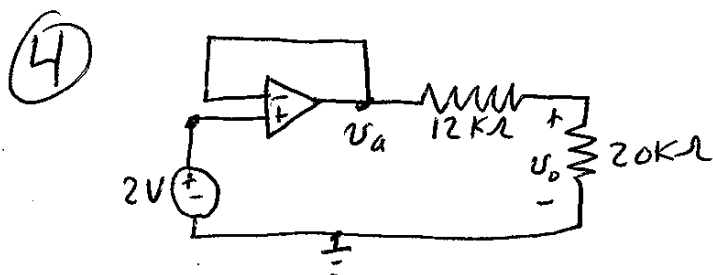
The 2A has to flow around the closed loop.

$$\text{So } V_2 = 10 \cdot 2 = 20V$$

$$20V = 3V_{ab} + V_{ab} = 4V_{ab}$$

$$\therefore V_{ab_{2A \text{ source}}} = 5V$$

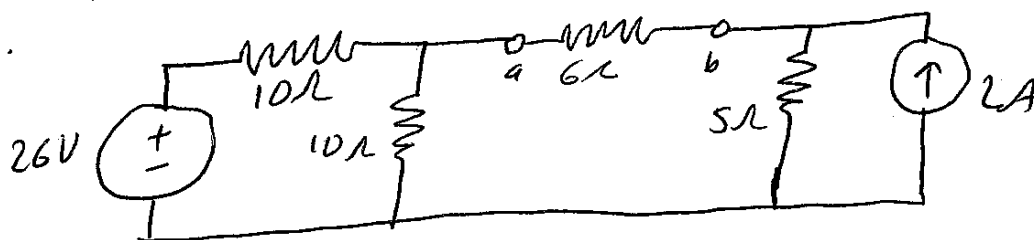
$$\therefore V_{ab} = 6V$$



Since  $V_- = V_+$ ,  $V_a = 2V$ .

So,  $V_0 = \frac{20}{32} \cdot 2V = \frac{5}{4}V$

⑤ Finding the Thevenin & Norton equivalents of this circuit from the perspective of a & b, we first should find  $V_{oc}$ .

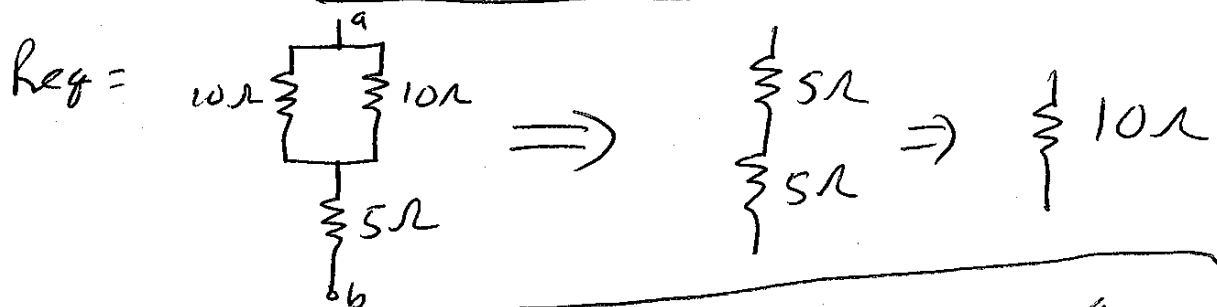


By opening the circuit at a & b, we simply need to find  $V_a$  and  $V_b$ .

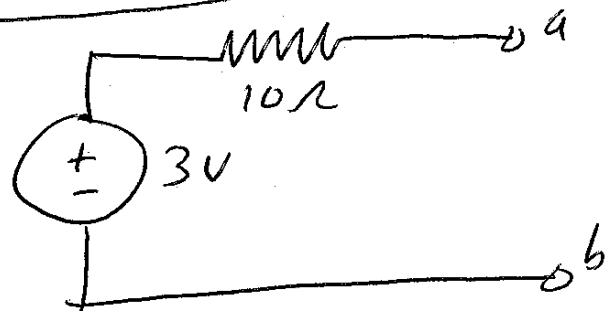
$$V_a = 26V \cdot \frac{10}{20} = 13V$$

$$V_b = 2A \cdot 5\Omega = 10V$$

$$\therefore V_{oc} = V_a - V_b = 3V$$



$\therefore$  Thevenin equivalent:

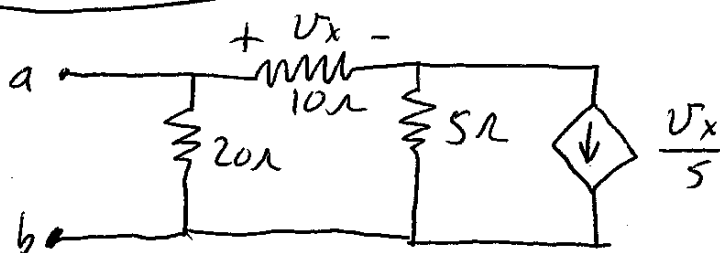


Norton Equivalent:

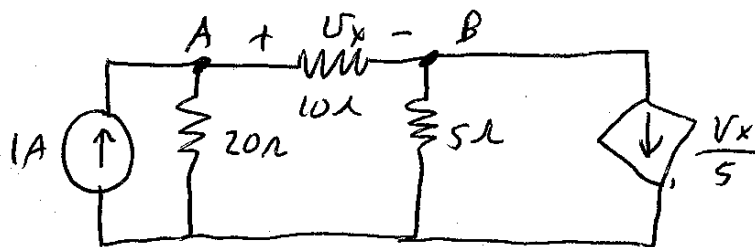


To get maximum power,  $R_L = 10\Omega$ .

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To find the equivalent resistance, we're best off if we tie a current source of 1A between a & b and solve for the corresponding voltage.



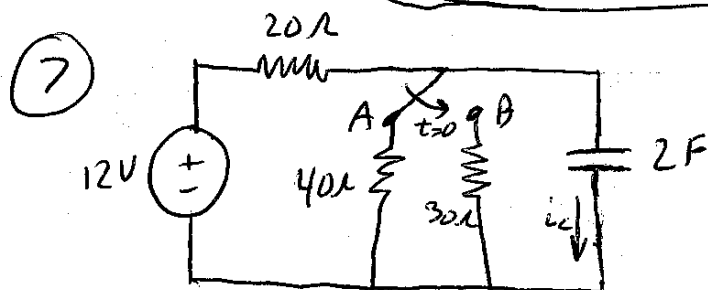
$$\text{KCL at A: } 1 = \frac{V_A}{20} + \frac{V_X}{10}$$

$$\text{KCL at B: } \frac{V_X}{10} = \frac{V_A - V_X}{5} + \frac{V_X}{5}$$

Combining these equations (I'll leave the algebra to you)  
you get:  $V_X = 8V$

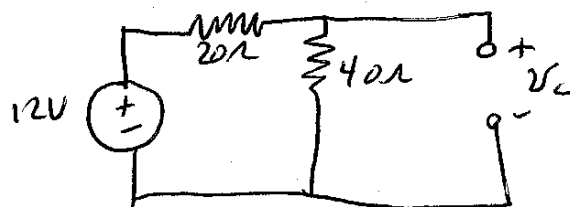
$$V_A = 4V$$

$$\therefore R_{eq} = \frac{V_A}{1A} = 4\Omega$$



a) What is  $i_c(0^+)$ ?

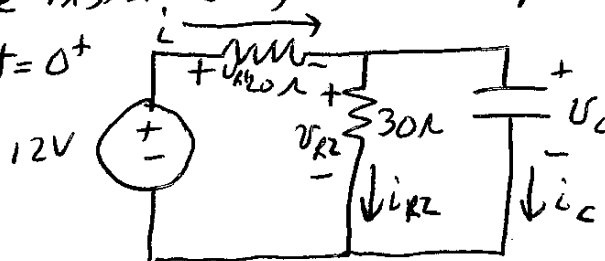
First let's see what the situation is before  $t=0$ .



$$V_C(0^-) = \frac{40}{60} \cdot 12 = 8V$$

Since voltage cannot change instantaneously across a capacitor,

$$V_C(0^+) = 8V. \text{ So, at } t=0^+$$



If  $V_C(0^+) = 8V$ , then  $V_{R2}(0^+) = 8V$ .

$$\text{So, } i_{R2}(0^+) = \frac{8}{30} A.$$

By KVL,  $12 = v_{R1} + v_{R2}$

So,  $v_{R1}(0^+) = 4V$

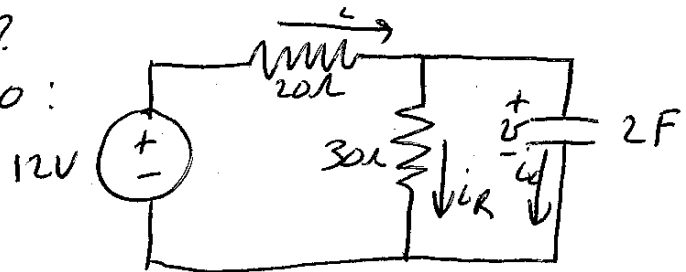
$\therefore i = \frac{4V}{20\Omega} = \frac{1}{5}A$

So,  $i_C(0^+) = i - i_{R2}(0^+)$   
 $= \frac{1}{5} - \frac{8}{30}$

$\therefore i_C(0^+) = \frac{-2}{30} = -\frac{1}{15}A$

b) What is  $v_o(t)$  for  $t \geq 0$ ?

Again, at  $t \geq 0$ :



KVL:  $12 = 20i + 30i_R$

KCL:  $i = i_R + i_C$

$i_C = C \frac{dv}{dt}$ ,  $v = 30i_R$

$i = \frac{12 - v}{20}$

So, combining the above:  $i_C = i - i_R$

$2 \frac{dv}{dt} = \frac{12 - v}{20} - \frac{v}{30}$

$\frac{dv}{dt} = \frac{3}{10} - \frac{v}{40} - \frac{v}{60}$

$\frac{dv}{dt} + \frac{v}{24} = \frac{3}{10}$

Solution:  $\frac{\frac{3}{10}}{\frac{1}{24}} + Ae^{-t/24} = 7.2 + Ae^{-t/24}$

Remember  $v_c(0^+) = 8V$

$$\therefore 7.2 + A = 8V$$

$$\text{So, } A = 0.8V$$

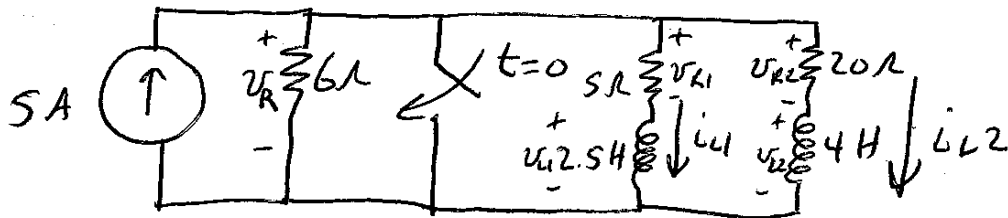
$$\therefore v(t) = 7.2 + 0.8e^{-t/24}$$

As a check  $i_c(0^+)$  should equal  $-\frac{1}{15}A$ .

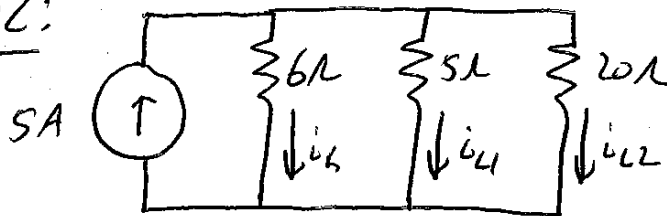
$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let's see: } i_c(t) &= C \frac{dv}{dt} = 2 \cdot 0.8 \cdot \frac{-1}{24} e^{-t/24} \\ &= \frac{-1.6}{24} e^{-t/24} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So, } i_c(0) = \frac{-1.6}{24} = -\frac{1}{15}A \quad \checkmark$$

(8) Find  $i_1(t)$  and  $i_2(t)$  for  $t > 0$  in the circuit:



At DC:



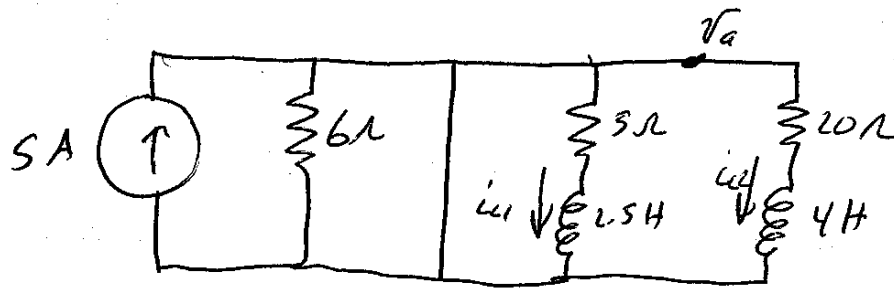
The equivalent resistance as seen by the source is  $2.4\Omega$ .  
So, the voltage drop across each resistor is  $12V$ .

$$\text{So, } i_R(0^-) = 2A$$

$$i_{L1}(0^-) = \frac{12}{5}A$$

$$i_{L2}(0^-) = \frac{12}{20} = \frac{3}{5}A$$

At  $t=0$  the switch closes and we have:



Because of the short circuit, each RL combination discharges as if they were isolated.

This is because  $V_A = 0V$ .

$$\therefore 5i_{L1} + 2.5 \frac{di_{L1}}{dt} = 0$$

$$\frac{di_{L1}}{dt} + 2i_{L1} = 0$$

$$i_{L1}(t) = A_1 e^{-2t}$$

$$i_{L1}(0^+) = \frac{12}{5}$$

$$\text{So, } i_{L1}(t) = 2.4 e^{-2t} \text{ A for } t \geq 0$$

By the same logic:

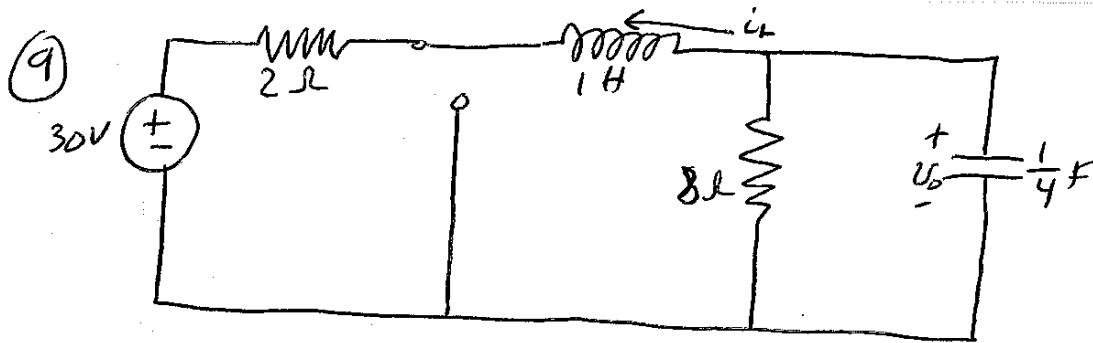
$$20i_{L2} + 4 \frac{di_{L2}}{dt} = 0$$

$$\frac{di_{L2}}{dt} + 5i_{L2} = 0$$

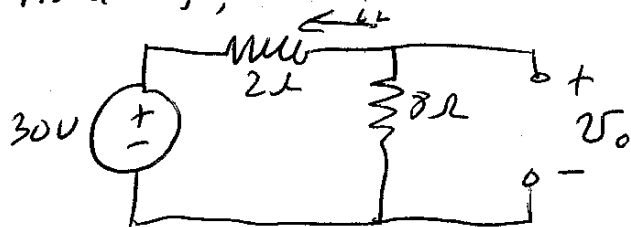
$$i_{L2}(t) = A_2 e^{-5t}$$

$$i_{L2}(0^+) = \frac{3}{5}$$

$$\text{So, } i_{L2}(t) = 0.6 e^{-5t} \text{ A for } t \geq 0$$



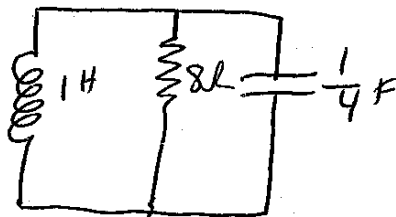
As always, we look at  $t=0^-$



$$v_o(0^-) = \frac{8}{10} \cdot 30 = 24V$$

$$i_L(0^-) = -3A$$

For  $t \geq 0$



For an RLC circuit (parallel):

$$\frac{d^2 i}{dt^2} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{RC}}_{2\alpha} \frac{di}{dt} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{LC}}_{\omega_n^2} i = 0$$

$$\omega_d = \sqrt{4 - \frac{1}{16}} = 1.984 \quad \leftarrow \quad \alpha = \frac{1}{2 \cdot 8 \cdot \frac{1}{4}} = \frac{1}{4} \quad \omega_n^2 = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{4}} = 4$$

So, this is underdamped:

$$i_L(t) = e^{-t/4} \left[ A_1 \cos 1.984t + A_2 \sin 1.984t \right]$$

$$i_L(0) = A_1 = -3$$

$$v_L(t) = v_C(t) = (1) \frac{di}{dt} = -\frac{1}{4} A_1 e^{-t/4} \cos 1.984t - \frac{1}{4} A_2 e^{-t/4} \sin 1.984t + e^{-t/4} (1.984) A_1 \sin 1.984t + e^{-t/4} (1.984) A_2 \cos 1.984t$$

$$v_L(0) = 24 = -\frac{1}{4} A_1 + 1.984 A_2$$

$$A_2 = 11.717$$



$$\text{So, } v_o(t) = \left[ -\frac{1}{4}(-3) + 1.984(11.717) \right] e^{-t/4} \cos 1.984t \\ + \left[ -\frac{1}{4}(11.717) - 1.984(-3) \right] e^{-t/4} \sin 1.984t$$

$$v_o(t) = (24 \cos 1.984t + 3.024 \sin 1.984t) e^{-t/4} \text{ V}$$

$$i_o(t) = C \frac{dv}{dt} \\ = \frac{1}{4} \left[ 24(-1.984) \sin 1.984t + (3.024)(1.984) \cos 1.984t \right] e^{-t/4} \\ + \frac{1}{4} \left[ \left( -\frac{1}{4} \right) e^{-t/4} 24 \cos 1.984t + \left( -\frac{1}{4} \right) e^{-t/4} 3.024 \sin 1.984t \right]$$

$$= \left[ \frac{1}{4}(3.024)(1.984) - \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{4} \cdot 24 \right] e^{-t/4} \cos 1.984t + \\ \left[ \frac{1}{4} \cdot 24 \cdot (-1.984) + \frac{1}{4} \left( -\frac{1}{4} \right) 3.024 \right] e^{-t/4} \sin 1.984t$$

$$i_o(t) = -12.095 e^{-t/4} \sin 1.984t \text{ A}$$

To be critically damped:  $d^2 = \omega_n^2$

$$\text{So } \left( \frac{1}{2RC} \right)^2 = \frac{1}{LC}$$

$$\frac{1}{4R^2C^2} = \frac{1}{LC} \Rightarrow R^2 = \frac{L}{4C} = \frac{1}{1}$$

So, if  $R=1$ , this would be critically damped.