

ECE 10, Winter 2023, Homework #3

Problem 1: Refer to Figure 1 for this problem. Assume that the circuit achieved steady state before the switch changes positions.

- Determine the current in the inductor just before and after the switch changes state i.e. at time $t = 0^-$ and $t = 0^+$.
- Determine the voltages $v_a(t)$ and $v_b(t)$ for all time $t \geq 0$.
- Sketch the $v_a(t)$ and $v_b(t)$ waveforms clearly marking the values at $t = 0^+$ and as $t \rightarrow \infty$.

(4 + 7 + 4 = 15 points)

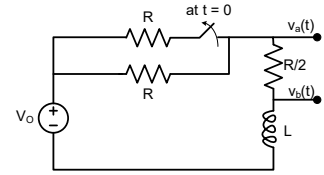


Figure 1.

Problem 2: Refer to Figure 2 for this problem. Assume that at time $t = 0^-$, the current through the inductor is $i(0^-) = 1$ Ampere and that $R_1 = 1\Omega$, $R_2 = 3\Omega$, $L = 1$ H, and $i_B(t) = 2$ Amperes for time $t \geq 0$.

- What is the time constant of the circuit?
- Determine $v_L(0^+)$
- Determine $v_L(\infty)$
- Determine the voltage, $v_L(t)$, for all time $t \geq 0$.

(5 + 5 + 5 + 5 = 20 points)

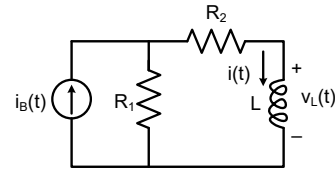


Figure 2.

Problem 3: Refer to Figure 3 for this problem. Assume that the circuit achieved steady state before the switch changes positions. Assume that $V_B = 3$ V, $R = 20$ Ohms, and $C = 0.5$ mF. Assume that the capacitor is charged to $V_B/4 = 0.75$ V just before $t = 0$.

- Determine the voltage across the capacitor just after the switch changes state i.e. at time $t = 0^+$.
- Determine the currents $I_a(t)$ and $I_b(t)$ just after the switch changes state i.e. for $t = 0^+$.
- Determine the value of $dV_c(t)/dt$ just after the switch changes state i.e. for $t = 0^+$. **Hint:** Note that the current through the capacitor is $C \cdot dV_c(t)/dt$.

(8 + 4 + 8 = 20 points)

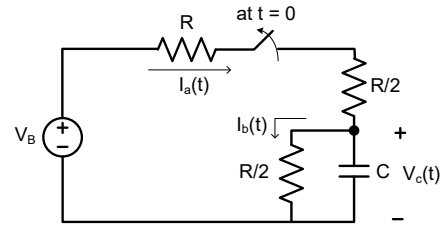


Figure 3

Problem 3: Consider the circuit in Figure 4, for $t \geq 0$. Prior to $t = 0$, the capacitors have been charged with charges, Q_1 and Q_2 respectively, such that $V_1(0^-) = Q_1/C_1$ and $V_2(0^-) = Q_2/C_2$. Assume that $C_1 = 5$ mF, $C_2 = 15$ mF, $R = 300$ Ohms, and $Q_1 = -Q_2 = 8$ Coulombs.

(a) Derive a differential equation in terms of the current through the resistor, $i(t)$, that governs circuit operation for $t \geq 0$.

(b) What is the time constant of the circuit for operation during $t \geq 0$? Express it in terms of nanoseconds.

(c) Determine the boundary values, $V_1(0^+)$, $V_2(0^+)$, $i(0^+)$, and $V_1(\infty)$, $V_2(\infty)$, $i(\infty)$.

(d) Derive an expression for the voltages across the capacitors, $V_1(t)$ and $V_2(t)$, for all time $t \geq 0$.

(e) Draw a sketch of $V_1(t)$ and $V_2(t)$ as a function of time from $t = 0$ to $t = 5$ s on the same graph.

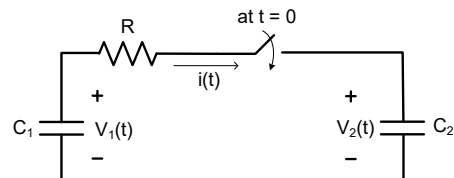


Figure 4

Clearly mark the initial and final values of $V_1(t)$ and $V_2(t)$, on your sketch.

(f) Draw a sketch of $i(t)$ as a function of time from $t = 0$ to $t = 5$ s. Clearly mark the initial and final values of $i(t)$ on your sketch.

(g) Briefly describe how the $V_1(t)$, $V_2(t)$, and $i(t)$ waveforms would be for the case where R is very small (close to zero).

(2 + 2 + 6 + 3 + 2 + 2 + 3 = 20 points)

Problem 5: Refer to Figure 5 for this problem. The inductor has no energy stored before $t = 0$. Suppose that the circuit reached steady state before the switch changed position. For the following assume $R_1 = 1 \text{ k}\Omega$, $R_2 = 40 \text{ }\Omega$, $L = 10 \text{ nH}$, $C = 10 \text{ nF}$, and $V_0 = 2 \text{ Volts}$.

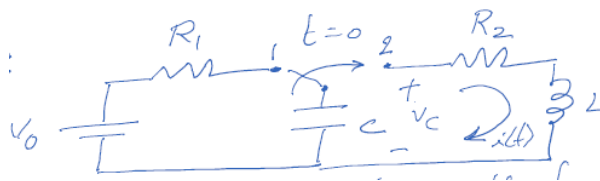


Figure 5

a. Derive the 2nd order differential equation in $i(t)$ that governs circuit operation for $t \geq 0$.

b. Calculate the values of $i(t)$, $di(t)/dt$, and $d^2i(t)/dt^2$ just after $t = 0$.

(5 + (3 + 3 + 4) = 15 points)

Problem 6: Refer to the circuit in Figure 6. Assume that $V_1(0^-) = 0\text{V}$, $V_2(0^-) = 2\text{V}$, $i_L(0^-) = 4\text{mA}$, $R = 1\text{k}\Omega$, $L = 1\text{mH}$, $C = 1\text{nF}$, and $V_B = 4\text{V}$.

(a) Calculate the value of $i_1(t)$ at $t = 0^+$.

(b) Calculate the value of $dV_L(t)/dt$ at $t = 0^+$.

(4 + 6 = 10 points)

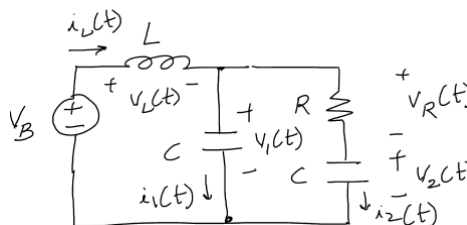


Figure 6.