

RC circuits.

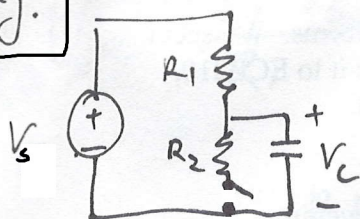
$$V = iR \quad i = \frac{1}{R} V \quad V = \frac{1}{C} \int i dt \quad i = C \cdot \frac{dV}{dt}$$

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

General procedure:

- ① write down diff equation
- ② find General solution
- ③ Use initial condition.

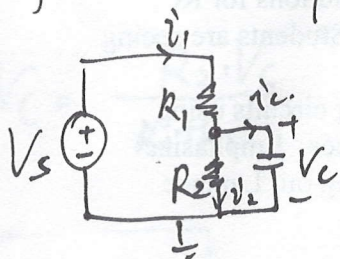
e.g.



① $t=0$, the switch closes.

find $V_C(t)$; $t > 0$.

① find the diff. eq. for $t > 0$.



$$i_1 - i_2 - i_C = 0$$

$$\frac{V_s - V_C}{R_1} - \frac{V_C}{R_2} - C \cdot \frac{dV_C}{dt} = 0$$

$$C \cdot \frac{dV_C}{dt} + \left(\frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} \right) \cdot V_C = \frac{V_s}{R_1}$$

$$C \frac{dV_C}{dt} + \frac{1}{R_{11}} \cdot V_C = \frac{V_s}{R_1}$$

$$\frac{dV_C}{dt} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{R_1 \cdot C}}_A V_C = \underbrace{\frac{V_s}{R_1 \cdot C}}_B$$

② General solution.

$$V_C(t) = \frac{V_s \cdot R_{11}}{R_1} + k \cdot e^{-\frac{t}{R_1 \cdot C}}$$

(3) find k :

$$V_c(0^+) = V_c(0^-).$$

$$\underline{V_c(0^-) = V_s.}$$

$$\text{So: } V_c(0^+) = V_s = \frac{V_s \cdot R_{11}}{R_1} + k \Rightarrow$$

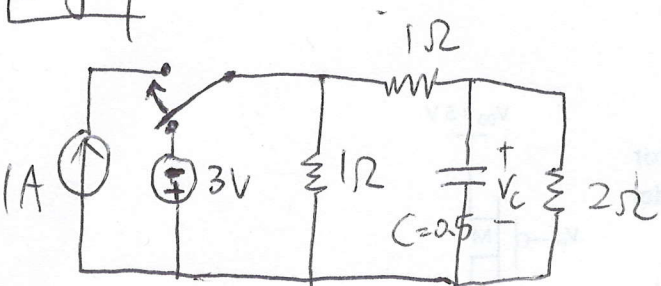
$$k = \left(1 - \frac{R_{11}}{R_1}\right) \cdot V_s$$

$$V_c = \frac{R_{11} \cdot V_s}{R_1} + \left(1 - \frac{R_{11}}{R_1}\right) \cdot V_s \cdot e^{-\frac{t}{R_{11}C}}$$

$$R_{11} = \frac{R_1 R_2}{R_1 + R_2}$$

$$V_c = \frac{R_2 \cdot V_s}{R_1 + R_2} + \frac{R_1 \cdot V_s}{R_1 + R_2} \cdot e^{-\frac{(R_1 + R_2) \cdot t}{R_1 R_2 C}}$$

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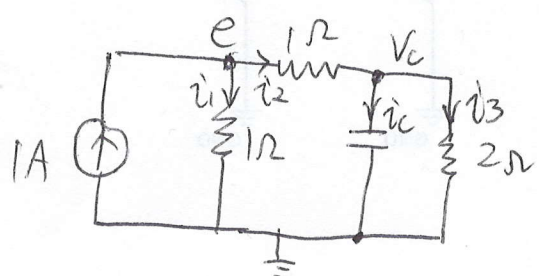


When $t < 0$; Switch connected to 3V

② $t = 0$; Switch turns to 1A

find $V_c(t)$ ($t > 0$)

① re-draw circuit ② $t > 0$:



② V_c : KCL:

$$i_2 - i_c - i_3 = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{e - V_c}{1} - C \frac{dV_c}{dt} - \frac{V_c}{2} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow e - 0.5 \frac{dV_c}{dt} - \frac{3}{2} V_c = 0 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

③ e : KCL:

$$1A - i_1 - i_2 = 0 \Rightarrow 1 - \frac{e}{1} - \frac{e - V_c}{1} = 0 \Rightarrow e = \frac{1 + V_c}{2}$$

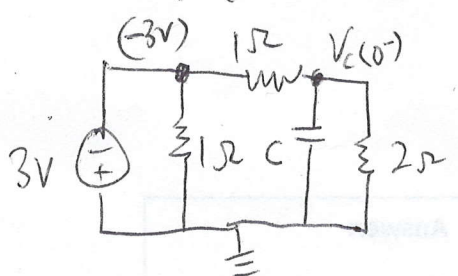
from ①, we have: (substituting e with $\frac{1 + V_c}{2}$)

$$\frac{1 + V_c}{2} - 0.5 \frac{dV_c}{dt} - \frac{3}{2} V_c = 0 \Rightarrow -0.5 \frac{dV_c}{dt} - V_c + \frac{1}{2} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dV_c}{dt} + 2V_c = 1 \Rightarrow V_c = \frac{1}{2} + k \cdot e^{-2t}$$

④ Initial conditions:

$$V_c(0^+) = V_c(0^-) \quad (\text{re-drawn circuit ② } t < 0)$$



Using voltage divider:

$$V_c(0^-) = \frac{2}{1+2} \cdot (-3) = -2V$$

$$\text{So: } V_c(0^+) = V_c(0^-) = -2 = \frac{1}{2} + k \Rightarrow k = -2.5$$

$$\text{So } V_c(t) = \frac{1}{2} - 2.5 \cdot e^{-2t}$$