

VE215 2025SU Assignment 4

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In order to get full marks, you shall write all the intermediate steps of calculation or proof, unless otherwise indicated. **Please box your answers.**

Exercise 4.1(15%)

For the following 1st order circuit, find the value of the output voltage V_o for all t .

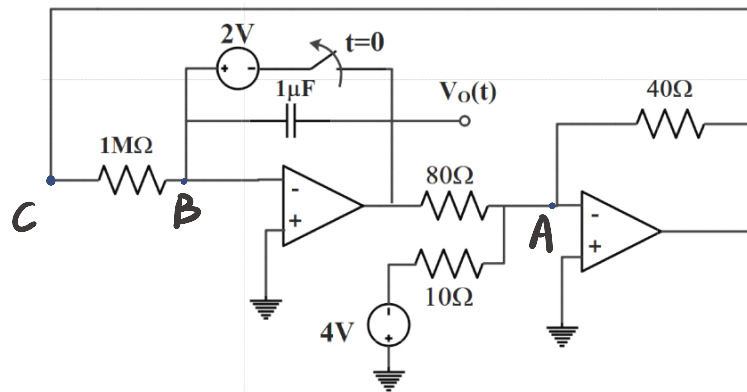


Figure 1: Exercise4.1

When $t < 0$, 2V voltage source connects in the circuit.

$$V_o(0^-) - 0 = -2$$

$$\Rightarrow V_o(0^-) = -2 \text{ V.}$$

$$\text{At } t > 0: \quad \text{KCL (A):} \quad \frac{V_o - 0}{80} + \frac{-4 - 0}{10} = \frac{0 - V_c}{40} \quad (1)$$

$$\text{KCL (B):} \quad \frac{V_c - 0}{10^6} = -10^{-6} \frac{dV_o}{dt} \quad (2)$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} (1) \Rightarrow V_o = 32 - 2V_c \\ (2) \Rightarrow V_c = -\frac{dV_o}{dt} \end{array} \right\} \quad V_o - 2 \frac{dV_o}{dt} = 32$$

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$$\text{And } V_o(0^+) = V_o(0^-) = -2$$

$$\Rightarrow V_o(t) = \begin{cases} 32 - 34e^{t/2} & t > 0 \\ -2 & , \quad t \leq 0 \end{cases}$$

Exercise 4.2(25%)

In the circuit below, suppose both resistors have the same resistance of R and all the inductors have the same inductance of L . The power supply provides a voltage equal to R at $t < 0$ and suddenly turns off at $t = 0$.

- (a) (15%) Suppose $R = L$, please calculate the mathematical expression of $I_x(t)$.
- (b) (10%) Could we select the appropriate R and L to make the circuit working in under-damped condition? (R and L may not equal) Please prove your opinion.

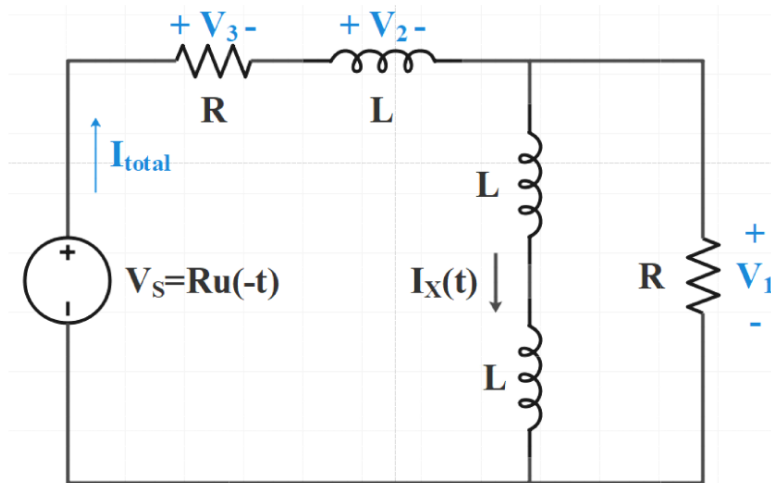


Figure 2: Exercise4.2

Solution:

(1) For the initial value, we have

$$I_x(0) = \frac{V_s(0^-)}{R} = 1A \text{ (1 mark)}$$

According to the voltage-current relationship of inductor, we have

$$V_1(t) = 2L \frac{dI_x(t)}{dt} \text{ (2 marks)}$$

Thus, at initial, we have

$$\frac{dI_x(0)}{dt} = \frac{V_1(0)}{2L} = 0V \text{ (1 mark)}$$

For the current $I_{total}(t)$, according to KCL, we have

$$I_{total}(t) = I_x(t) + \frac{V_1(t)}{R} = I_x(t) + \frac{2L}{R} \frac{dI_x(t)}{dt} \text{ (1 mark)}$$

For the voltage $V_2(t)$ and $V_3(t)$, we have

$$V_2(t) = L \frac{dI_{total}(t)}{dt} = L \frac{dI_x(t)}{dt} + \frac{2L^2}{R} \frac{d^2I_x(t)}{dt^2} \text{ (1 mark)}$$

$$V_3(t) = I_{total}(t)R = I_x(t)R + 2L \frac{dI_x(t)}{dt} \text{ (1 mark)}$$

According to KVL, we have

$$V_1(t) + V_2(t) + V_3(t) = 0 \text{ (1 mark)}$$

Thus, we can obtain the differential equation:

$$\frac{2L^2}{R} \frac{d^2I_x(t)}{dt^2} + 5L \frac{dI_x(t)}{dt} + I_x(t)R = 0 \text{ (2 marks)}$$

Since $R = L$, we have

$$2 \frac{d^2I_x(t)}{dt^2} + 5 \frac{dI_x(t)}{dt} + I_x(t) = 0$$

The two characteristic roots are

$$s_1 = -0.21 \text{ and } s_2 = -2.28 \text{ (2 marks, result)}$$

The general solution of $I_x(t)$ is

$$I_x(t) = C_1 e^{-0.21t} + C_2 e^{-2.28t}$$

By derivate it, we have (1 mark, method)

$$\frac{dI_x(t)}{dt} = -0.21C_1 e^{-0.21t} - 2.28C_2 e^{-2.28t}$$

Combine the two equations with initial values, we have

$$C_1 + C_2 = 1$$

$$-0.21C_1 - 2.28C_2 = 0$$

Thus, we have

$$C_1 = 1.10 \text{ and } C_2 = -0.10 \text{ (2 marks, result)}$$

Thus,

$$I_x(t) = 1.1e^{-0.21t} - 0.1e^{-2.28t} A$$

(2) Consider the general differential equation

$$\frac{2L^2}{R} \frac{d^2I_x(t)}{dt^2} + 5L \frac{dI_x(t)}{dt} + I_x(t)R = 0$$

Suppose we want the circuit working in under-damped condition, we

need $\Delta < 0$. (2 marks)

However, for the equation, we have

$$\Delta = (5L)^2 - 4 \times \frac{2L^2}{R} \times R = 17L^2 > 0 \text{ (2 marks)}$$

It's impossible to make this circuit work in under-damped condition.

(1 mark)

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Exercise 4.3(25%) For the op-amp circuit shown below, the switch is connected to the branch connected with a 3Ω resistor and a $24V$ independent voltage source at $t < 0$, and it is switched to the branch connected with a 8Ω resistor and a $20V$ independent voltage source at $t \geq 0$.

(a) (10%) Find $v(t)$ for $t < 0$.

(b) (15%) Find $v(t)$ for $t > 0$.

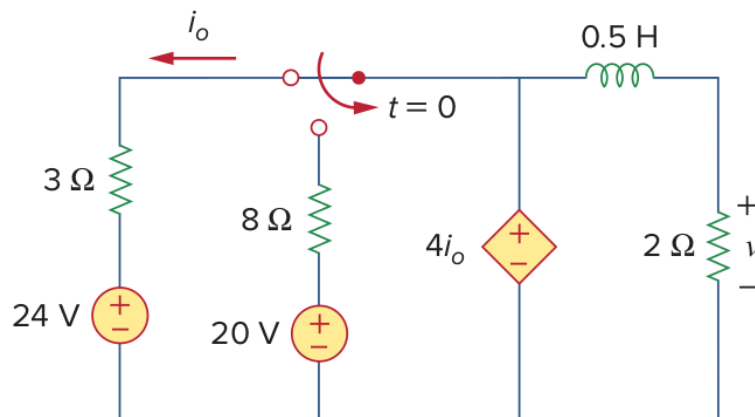
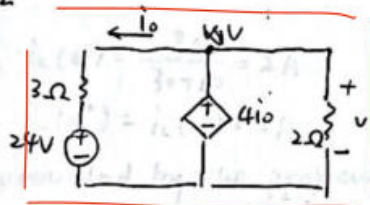


Figure 3: Exercise4.3

Exercise 4.2

(a) $t < 0$,



→ draw equivalent circuit 4"
or state that L is short circuited,

$$\begin{cases} v_o = 4i_o \\ \frac{v - 24}{3} = i_o \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} i_o = 24A \\ v = 96V \end{cases}$$

Then $v(t) = 96V$ ($t < 0$).

(b) When $t < 0$, $i_L(0^-) = \frac{v}{2} = 48A$.

When $t > 0$, $i_L(0^+) = i_L(0^-) = 48A$.

When $t \rightarrow \infty$,

$i_o = 0A \rightarrow i_L(\infty) = 0A$.

$$0.5 \frac{di(t)}{dt} + 2i(t) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow i(t) = ce^{-4t}$$

State that $\diamond 4i_o$ is short circuited, 4"

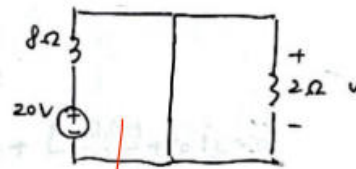
5" (or use formula)

Because $i(0^+) = 48A$, i.e., $c = 48$, 2" (initial condition)

$$\text{So } i(t) = 48e^{-4t} A.$$

1" $i(t)$, 1"

$$v(t) = i(t) \cdot R = 96e^{-4t} V \quad (t > 0) \quad \text{answer, 3"}$$



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Exercise 4.4(15%) For the circuit shown below, please:

- (5%) Draw the equivalent circuit at $t < 0$ and find $v(0^+)$ and $i(0^+)$
- (5%) Draw the equivalent circuit at $t > 0$ and find $\frac{dv(0^+)}{dt}$ and $\frac{di(0^+)}{dt}$.
- (5%) Draw the equivalent circuit at $t = \infty$ and find $v(\infty)$ and $i(\infty)$.

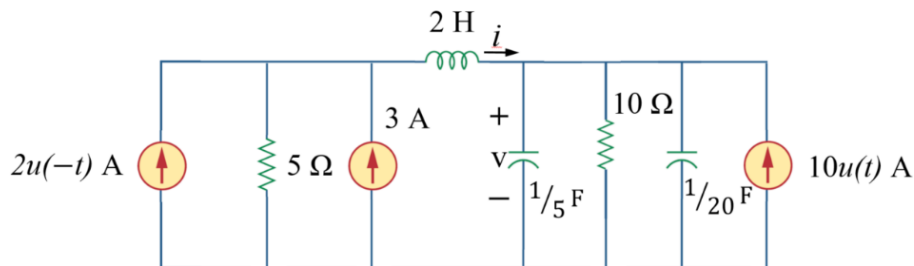
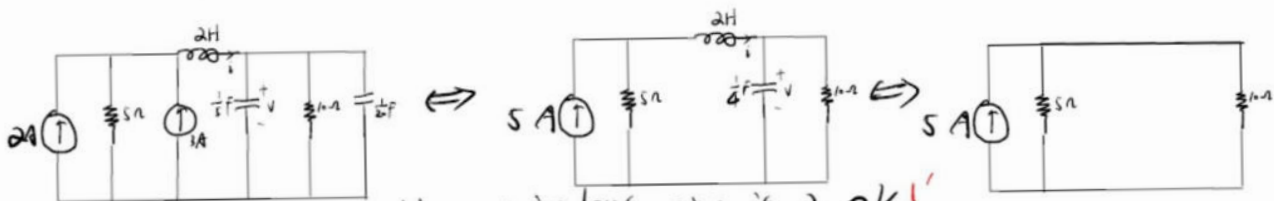


Figure 4: Exercise4.4

a)

$t < 0$

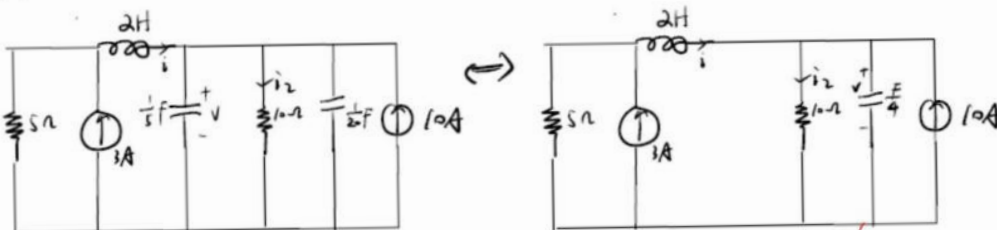


Any reasonable equivalent circuit is ok!

$$i(0^-) = \frac{25}{15} = \frac{5}{3} \text{ A} \quad V(0^-) = 10 \cdot \frac{5}{3} = \frac{50}{3} \text{ V}$$

$$= i(0^+) \quad = V(0^+)$$

b) $t > 0$



Any reasonable equivalent circuit is ok!

Since $\{ V(0^-) = V(0^+) = \frac{50}{3} \text{ V}, \text{ using KCL and KVL, we have:}$
 $i(0^-) = i(0^+) = \frac{5}{3} \text{ A}$

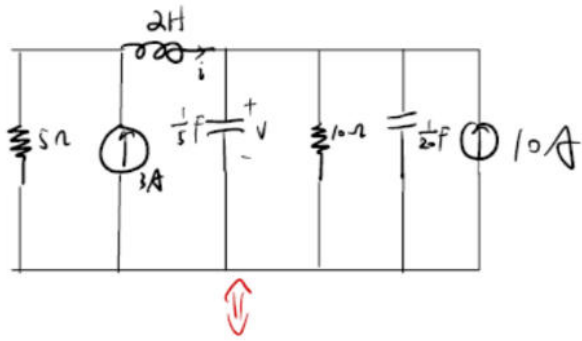
$$\frac{5}{3} + 10 = (C_1 + C_2) \frac{dV(0^+)}{dt} + \frac{50}{10}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dV(0^+)}{dt} = 40$$

$$-15 + 5 \cdot \frac{5}{3} + 2 \frac{di}{dt} + \frac{50}{3} = 0$$

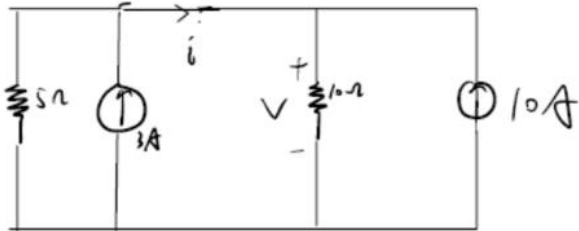
$$\Rightarrow \frac{di(0^+)}{dt} = -5$$

c) $t \rightarrow \infty$



$$i(\infty) = -\frac{17}{3} \text{ A} \quad !'$$

$$V(\infty) = \frac{130}{3} \text{ V} \quad !'$$



Any reasonable equivalent circuit is o.k. !'

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Exercise 4.5(20%) The input current source of the following circuit is $2(1 - u(t))A$.

(a) (5%) Construct the dual of the circuit below.

(b) (15%) Find $i(t)$ for $t > 0$.

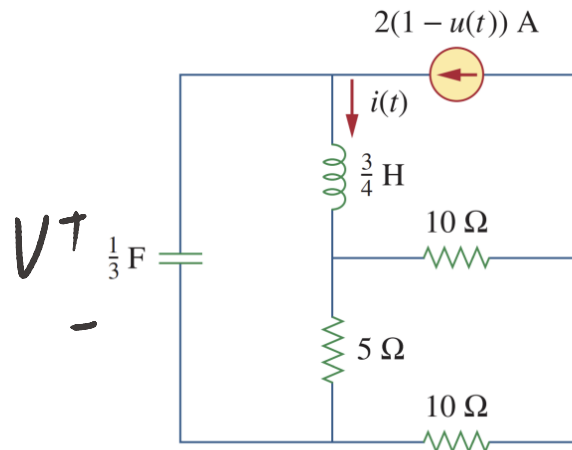
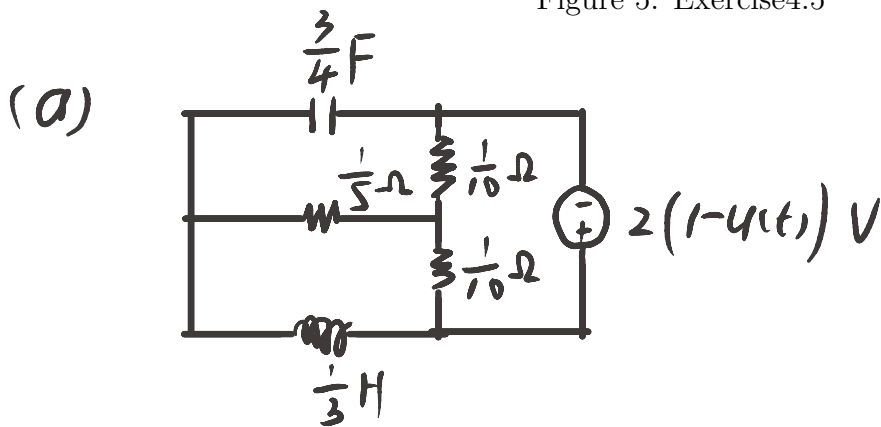
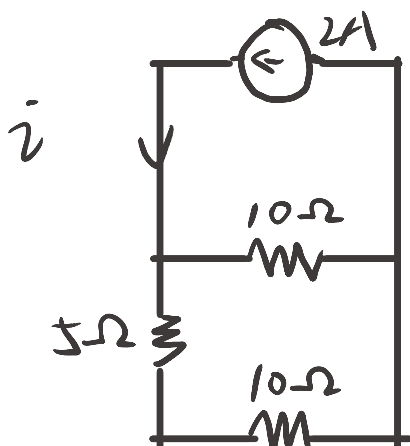


Figure 5: Exercise4.5



(b) When $t < 0$, equivalent circuit:



$$i(t) = 2A$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 V(t) &= \left(2 \cdot \frac{10}{10+15} \right) \cdot 5 \\
 &= 4V
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $i(0^+) = i(0^-) = 2A$

$$V(0^+) = V(0^-) = 4V$$

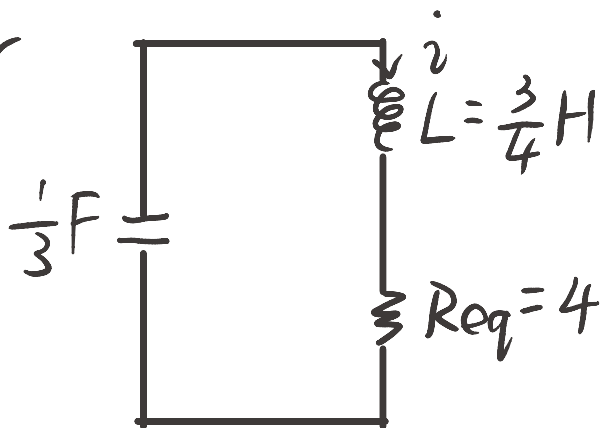
At $t=0$: KVL: $\frac{3}{4} \frac{di}{dt} + 4i - V = 0$

KCL: $i + \frac{1}{3} \frac{dV}{dt} = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{3}{4} i'' + 4i' + 3i = 0$$

$$\frac{di(0^+)}{dt} = \frac{4}{3} (V(0) - 4i(0)) = -\frac{16}{3}$$

Or



$$\alpha = \frac{R}{2L} = \frac{8}{3}$$

$$\omega_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}} = 2$$

$$s_1 = \frac{-8 + 2\sqrt{7}}{3} = -0.903$$

$$s_2 = \frac{-8 - 2\sqrt{7}}{3} = -4.431$$

$$i(t) = Ae^{-4.431t} + Be^{-0.903t}$$

$$i(0) \quad i'(0) \Rightarrow \begin{cases} A=1 \\ B=1 \end{cases} \Rightarrow i(t) = e^{-4.431t} + e^{-0.903t}$$