



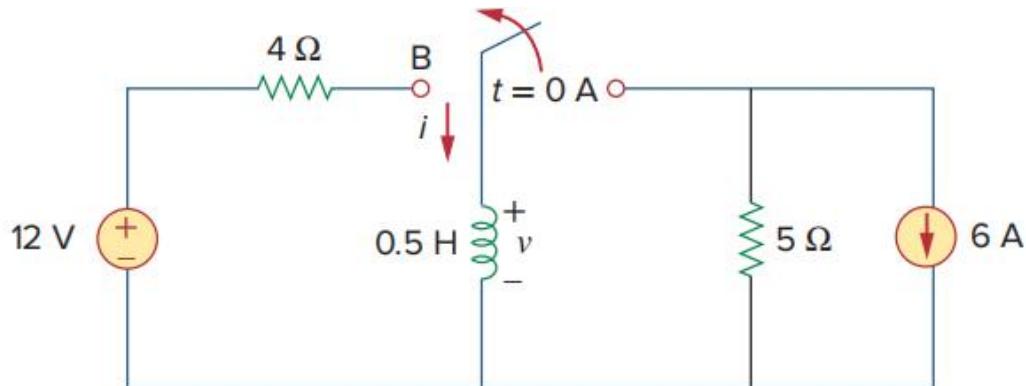
Homework 3 Rubric

In order to get full marks, you shall write all the intermediate steps of calculation or proof unless otherwise indicated. This assignment covers content from chapters 6 to 8.

1. 20%

The switch in Fig. 6.86 has been in position A for a long time. At $t = 0$, the switch moves from position A to B. The switch is a make-before-break type so that there is no interruption in the inductor current. Find:

- (a) $i(t)$ for $t > 0$,
- (b) v just after the switch has been moved to position B,
- (c) $v(t)$ long after the switch is in position B.





(a) When the switch is in position A,

$$i = -6 = i(0) \quad (2)$$

When the switch is in position B,

$$i(\infty) = 12/4 = 3, \quad (2) \quad \tau = L/R = 1/8 \quad (2)$$

$$i(t) = i(\infty) + [i(0) - i(\infty)]e^{-t/\tau} \quad (4)$$

$$i(t) = (3 - 9e^{-8t}) A \quad (2)$$

(b) $-12 + 4i(0) + v = 0$, i.e. $v = 12 - 4i(0) = 36 V \quad (2)$

(c) At steady state, the inductor becomes a short circuit so that

$$v = 0 V \quad (2)$$

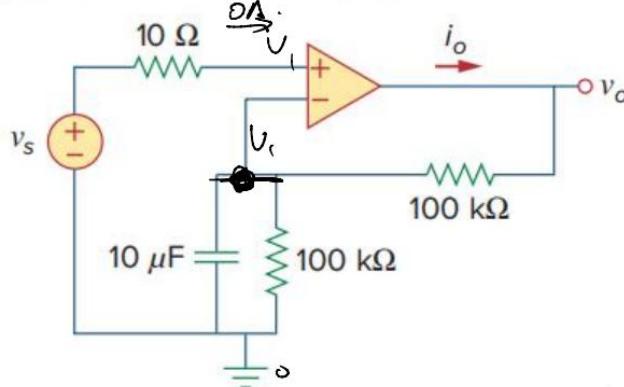
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2. 20%

Find v_o and i_o , given that $v_s = 10[1 - e^{-t}]u(t)$ V.



$$v_i = v_L = 10[1 - e^{-t}]u(t). \quad (2) \quad \text{When } t > 0, \frac{dv_s}{dt} = 10e^{-t}. \quad (2)$$

$$\frac{v_i}{100k} + \frac{v_i - v_o}{100k} + C \frac{dv_s}{dt} = 0. \quad (10)$$

$$\Rightarrow v_o = 2v_i + \frac{dV_s}{dt} = 20(1 - e^{-t}) + 10e^{-t} = 20 - 10e^{-t} \quad (2)$$

$$\text{When } t < 0, v_o = 0 \Rightarrow v_o = (20 - 10e^{-t})u(t) \text{ V.} \quad (1)$$

$$i_o u_A = \frac{v_o - v_i}{100k} = \frac{10}{100k} = 10^{-4} \quad (2)$$

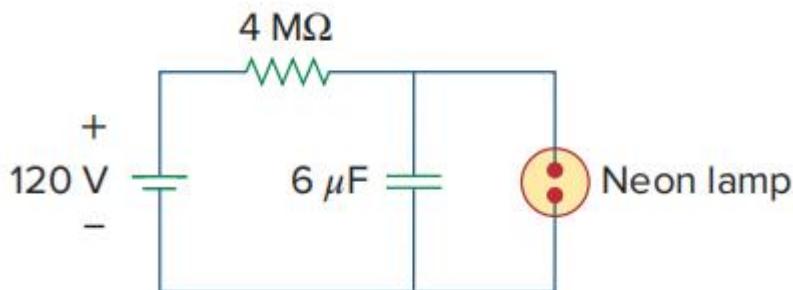
$$\text{When } t < 0, i_o = 0 \Rightarrow i_o = 0.1u(t) \text{ mA.} \quad (1)$$



3. 20%

A simple relaxation oscillator circuit is shown in Fig. 7.145. The neon lamp fires when its voltage reaches 75 V and turns off when its voltage drops to 30 V. Its resistance is 120 Ω when on and infinitely high when off.

- (a) For how long is the lamp on each time the capacitor discharges?
- (b) What is the time interval between light flashes?



- (a) The light is on from 75 volts until 30 volts. During that time we essentially have a 120-ohm resistor in parallel with a 6-μF capacitor.

$$v(0) = 75, v(\infty) = 0, \tau = 120 \times 6 \times 10^{-6} = 0.72 \text{ ms} \quad (2)$$

$$v(t_1) = 75 e^{-t_1/\tau} = 30 \quad (4) \quad \text{which leads to } t_1 = -0.72 \ln(0.4) \text{ ms} = 659.7 \mu\text{s} \quad (2)$$

(b) $\tau = RC = (4 \times 10^6)(6 \times 10^{-6}) = 24 \text{ s} \quad (2)$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Since } v(t) &= v(\infty) + [v(0) - v(\infty)] e^{-t/\tau} \\ v(t_1) - v(\infty) &= [v(0) - v(\infty)] e^{-t_1/\tau} \quad (1) \quad (2) \\ v(t_2) - v(\infty) &= [v(0) - v(\infty)] e^{-t_2/\tau} \quad (2) \quad (2) \end{aligned}$$

Dividing (1) by (2),

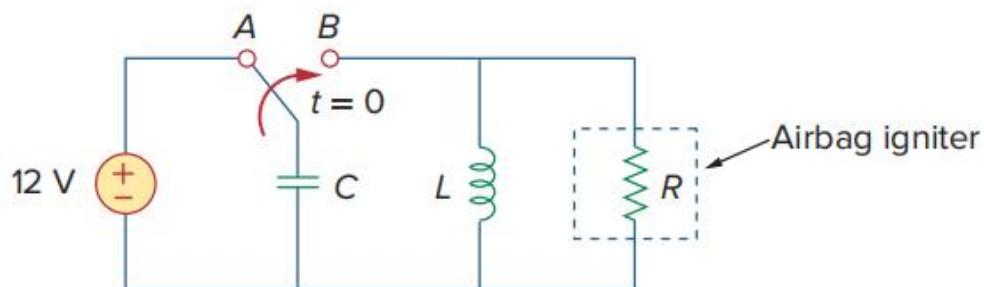
$$\begin{aligned} \frac{v(t_1) - v(\infty)}{v(t_2) - v(\infty)} &= e^{(t_2 - t_1)/\tau} \\ t_0 &= t_2 - t_1 = \tau \ln \left(\frac{v(t_1) - v(\infty)}{v(t_2) - v(\infty)} \right) \quad (2) \end{aligned}$$

$$t_0 = 24 \ln \left(\frac{75 - 120}{30 - 120} \right) = 24 \ln(2) = 16.636 \text{ s} \quad (2)$$



4. 20%

An automobile airbag igniter is modeled by the circuit in Fig. 8.122. Determine the time it takes the voltage across the igniter to reach its first peak after switching from A to B. Let $R = 3 \Omega$, $C = 1/30 \text{ F}$, and $L = 60 \text{ mH}$.





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The voltage across the igniter is $v_R = v_C$ since the circuit is a parallel RLC type.

$$v_C(0) = 12, \text{ and } i_L(0) = 0.$$

$$\alpha = 1/(2RC) = 1/(2 \times 3 \times 1/30) = 5$$

$$\omega_0 = 1/\sqrt{LC} = 1/\sqrt{60 \times 10^{-3} \times 1/30} = 22.36$$

$\alpha < \omega_0$ produces an underdamped response.

$$s_{1,2} = -\alpha \pm \sqrt{\alpha^2 - \omega_0^2} = -5 \pm j21.794 \quad (5)$$

$$v_C(t) = e^{-5t}(A \cos 21.794t + B \sin 21.794t) \quad (4) \quad (1)$$

$$v_C(0) = 12 = A \quad (2)$$

$$dv_C/dt = -5[(A \cos 21.794t + B \sin 21.794t)e^{-5t}]$$

$$+ 21.794[(-A \sin 21.794t + B \cos 21.794t)e^{-5t}] \quad (2)$$

$$dv_C(0)/dt = -5A + 21.794B$$

$$\text{But, } dv_C(0)/dt = -[v_C(0) + Ri_L(0)]/(RC) = -(12 + 0)/(1/10) = -120$$

$$\text{Hence, } -120 = -5A + 21.794B, \text{ leads to } B (5 \times 12 - 120)/21.794 = -2.753 \quad (2)$$

At the peak value, $dv_C(t_0)/dt = 0$, i.e.,

$$0 = A + B \tan 21.794t_0 + (A 21.794/5) \tan 21.794t_0 - 21.794B/5 \quad (3)$$

$$(B + A 21.794/5) \tan 21.794t_0 = (21.794B/5) - A$$

$$\tan 21.794t_0 = [(21.794B/5) - A]/(B + A 21.794/5) = -24/49.55 = -0.484$$

$$21.794t_0 = \arctan(-0.484)$$

The general solution is $n\pi - 0.451$. We need the first positive time $t_0 > 0$. This occurs for

$n = 1$:

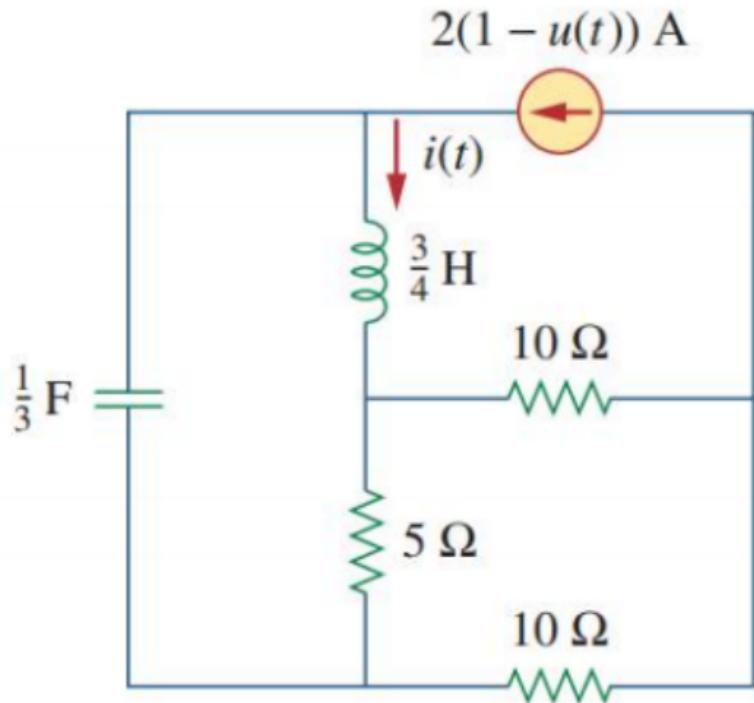
$$21.794t_0 = \pi - 0.451 = 3.1416 - 0.451 = 2.6906$$

$$t_0 = \frac{2.6906}{21.794} \approx 0.12345 \text{ s} \quad (2)$$

The time it takes for the voltage to reach its first peak (which is actually a valley/minimum in this case) is **123.5 ms**.



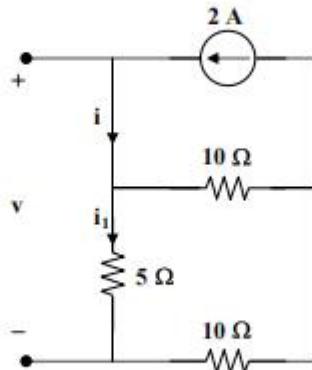
- (a) When $t = 0$, what is the energy stored in the capacitor?
- (b) Calculate $i(t)$ for $t > 0$.
- (c) Draw the dual of this circuit.





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At $t = 0^-$, the equivalent circuit is as shown.



$$i(0) = 2 \text{ A}, \quad i_1(0) = 10(2)/(10 + 15) = 0.8 \text{ A}$$

$$v(0) = 5i_1(0) = 4 \text{ V} \quad (3)$$

For $t > 0$, we have a source-free series RLC circuit.

$$R = 5/(10 + 10) = 4 \text{ ohms} \quad (2)$$

$$\omega_o = 1/\sqrt{LC} = 1/\sqrt{(1/3)(3/4)} = 2$$

$$\alpha = R/(2L) = (4)/(2 \times (3/4)) = 8/3$$

$$s_{1,2} = -\alpha \pm \sqrt{\alpha^2 - \omega_o^2} = -4.431, -0.903 \quad (3)$$

$$i(t) = [Ae^{-4.431t} + Be^{-0.903t}] \quad (2)$$

$$i(0) = A + B = 2 \quad (1)$$

$$di(0)/dt = (1/L)[-Ri(0) + v(0)] = (4/3)(-4 \times 2 + 4) = -16/3 = -5.333$$

$$\text{Hence, } -5.333 = -4.431A - 0.903B \quad (2)$$

$$\text{From (1) and (2), } A = 1 \text{ and } B = 1. \quad (2)$$

$$i(t) = [e^{-4.431t} + e^{-0.903t}] \text{ A} \quad (2)$$

$$(b) \quad \begin{aligned} I &= \frac{2}{10+15} \times 10 = \frac{4}{5} \text{ A} \\ V &= IR = \frac{4}{5} \times 5 = 4 \text{ V} \quad (3) \\ W &= \frac{1}{2}CV^2 = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{3} \times 4^2 = \frac{8}{3} \text{ J.} \end{aligned}$$

