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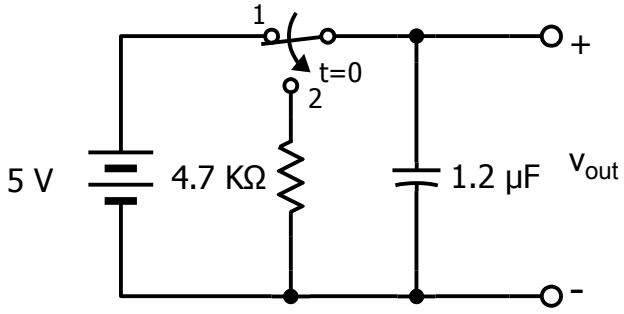
Practice Problems 3

1. In this problem, there is no battery after the switch changes positions. We will be finding the natural response of the RC circuit (no forcing function). As I stated in lecture, this is not a course in the solution of differential equations. But I want you to understand key features of solving one. Assume the switch has been in position 1 for a LONG TIME. After it switches to position 2, we will find the expression for $v_{out}(t)$. $v_{out}(0^-)=5$ V.



To find the trajectory followed by v_{out}, use the KCL Method:

$$i_R + i_C = 0$$

$$\frac{v_{out}}{R} + C\frac{dv_{out}}{dt} = 0$$

$$\frac{dv_{out}}{dt} + \frac{1}{RC}v_{out} = 0$$

Multiply by dt and divide by v_{out}: $\frac{dv_{out}}{v_{out}} + \frac{1}{RC}dt = 0$

Integrate from $time = 0^+$ to $time = t$: $\int_{v_{out}(0^+)}^{v_{out}(t)} \frac{dv_{out}}{v_{out}} = \int_0^t \frac{-1}{RC}dt$

$$\ln(v_{out}(t)) - \ln(v_{out}(0^+)) = \ln\left(\frac{v_{out}(t)}{v_{out}(0^+)}\right) = -\frac{t}{RC}$$

$$v_{out}(t) = v_{out}(0^+)e^{-\frac{t}{RC}}$$

This is where we must know how a capacitor behaves: if $v_{out}(0^-) = 5$, then what does $v_{out}(0^+)$ equal? Also, what is the trajectory $v_{out}(t)$?

$$v_{out}(t) = 5e^{-177t}$$

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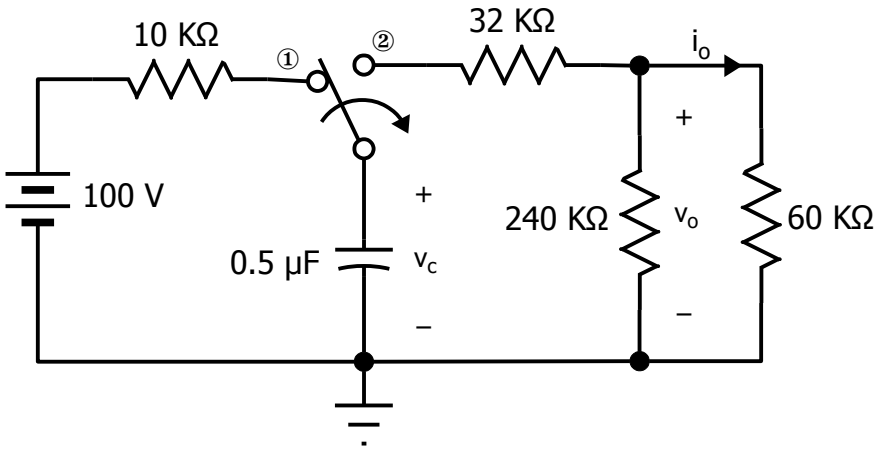

2. The switch has been in position ① for a long time. At t=0, the switch move instantaneously to position ② . Find:
   a. $v_c(0^+)$
   b. $v_o(0^+)$
   c. $i_o(0^+)$
   d. [optional] $v_c(t)$

a.
b.
c.
d. $v_c(t) = 100\,e^{-25t}$

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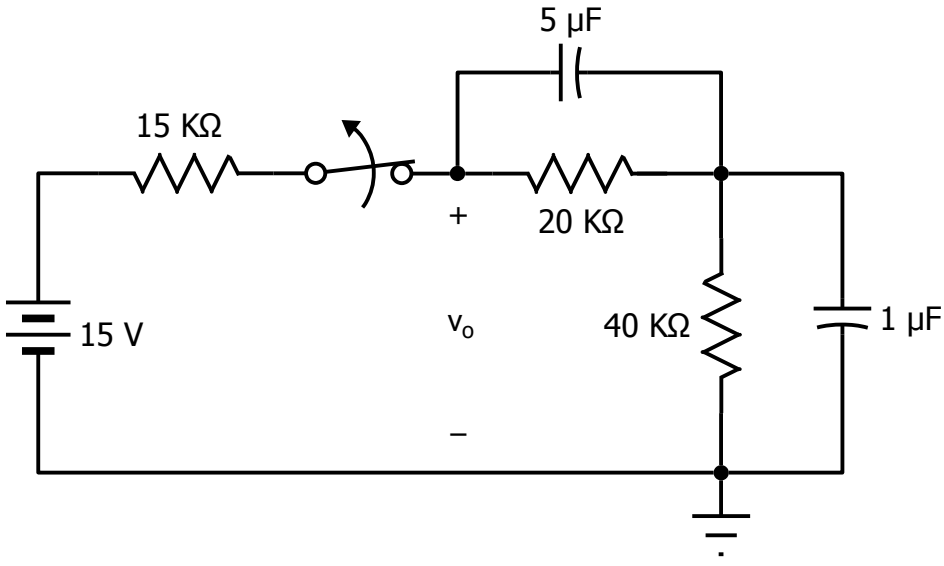
3. The switch has been closed for a long time. At t=0, the switch opens. Find:
   a. $v_o(0^+)$
   b. The capacitors will discharge into their parallel resistors. What are ther two time constants?
   c. [OPTIONAL] Find $v_o(t)$.



a.
b.
c. $v_o(t) = 4e^{-10t} + 8e^{-25t}$

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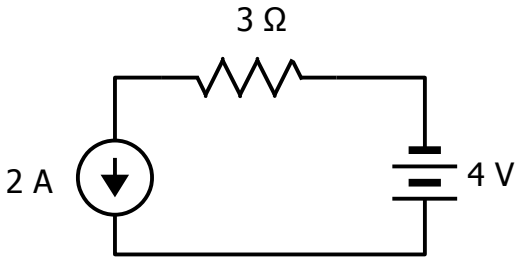
4. In the world of EE3, is this a legal circuit?

Yes No

5. Is the 2 A current source providing or absorbing power?

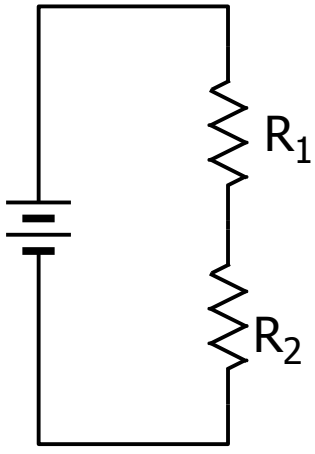


6. In this circuit, $R_1 > R_2$. Which resistor dissipates the most power?

a. Neither; they dissipate the same power.

b. R_1 $I^2 R_1 > I_2 R_2$

c. R_2



7. In this circuit, $R_1 > R_2$. Which resistor dissipates the most power?

a. Neither; they dissipate the same power.

b. R_1

c. R_2 $\frac{V^2}{R_1} < \frac{V^2}{R_2}$