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ECE 110S: ELECTRICAL FUNDAMENTALS

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INSTRUCTIONS:

- This is a Type A examination; no aids are allowed.
- Only non-programmable calculators are allowed.
- Answer all parts of all four questions.
- All four questions are of equal weight.
- The weight of each of the individual parts of each question is stated in the margins.
- All work is to be done on these pages.
- Place your final answers in the provided boxes unless instructed otherwise.
- When answering the questions include all the steps of your work on these pages. For additional space, you may use the back of the preceding page.
- Do not unstaple this exam.

CONSTANTS:

$e = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{C}$        $\epsilon_0 = 8.85 \times 10^{-12} \text{F/m}$        $\mu_0 = 4 \times 10^{-7} \text{H/m}$

**Question 1: Electricity and Magnetism****PART A: General**

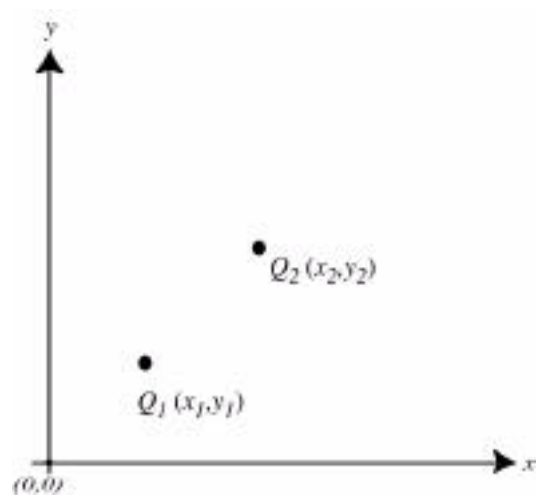
Answer the following questions.

- [1] (i) Electric and magnetic phenomena stem from a property of matter known as charge. What is the distinguishing condition of charges that gives rise to a magnetic field?
- [1] (ii) The electric field is a *conservative* field. Explain this property of the electric field.
- [1] (iii) When we speak of electrical current, the picture that comes to mind is that of electrons drifting down a copper wire. The average velocity or the drift velocity of electrons required to support a current of 1 ampere in a copper wire of  $1 \text{ mm}^2$  in cross-section is about (circle the correct answer)
- (a) 1000 km/s
  - (b)  $3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$
  - (c)  $1/3 \text{ m/h}$
  - (d) none of the above.
- [1] (iv) The Lorentz force is used, for example, to steer electrons in a cathode ray tube (CRT) or a television tube. Clearly write the Lorentz force expression and define all the terms.

Question 1: Electricity and Magnetism

PART B: Coulomb’s Law & Electric Field

Consider the two stationary point charges shown in the figure below. Point charge  $Q_1$  has a charge of  $50\text{ }\mu\text{C}$  and is located at  $x_1 = y_1 = 0.1\text{ m}$ , while point charge  $Q_2$  has a charge of  $150\text{ }\mu\text{C}$  and is located at  $x_2 = y_2 = 0.3\text{ m}$



- [5] (i) Determine the electric force (magnitude and direction) on charge 2 due to charge 1.

$\mathbf{F}_{21} =$

- [1] (ii) Determine the electric force (magnitude and direction) on charge 1 due to charge 2.

$\mathbf{F}_{12} =$

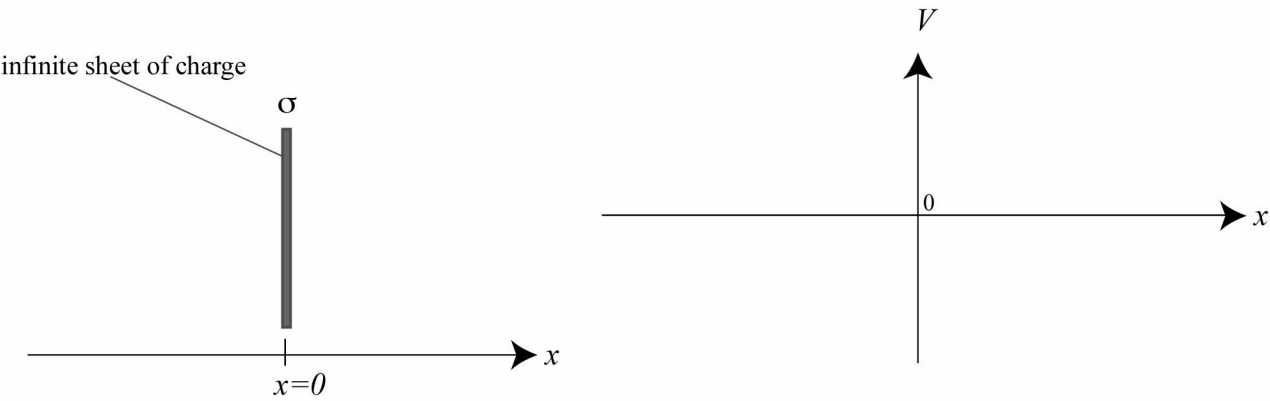
Question 1: Electricity and Magnetism

PART C: Electric Field, Potential, and Capacitance

- [4] (i) The magnitude of the electric field due to an infinite sheet of charge, of charge density  $\sigma$ , is given by the expression  $|E| = \frac{\sigma}{2\epsilon_0}$ . For  $\sigma = 8.85 \times 10^{-8} \text{ C/m}^2$ , compute the magnitude of the electric field and the electric potential for all  $x > 0$  and all  $x < 0$ . Assume that the potential at the origin is zero. On the figures below clearly show the direction of the field lines and plot the potential for all  $x > 0$  and all  $x < 0$ .

$|E| =$

$V(x) =$



- [3] (ii) Find the capacitance of a parallel plate capacitor (in vacuum) having a spacing of 0.01 m and plate area of 0.01 m<sup>2</sup>. Assuming a potential difference of 12 V find the strength of the electric field inside the capacitor.

$C =$

$|E| =$

Question 1: Electricity and Magnetism

PART D: Electromagnetic Induction

A thin copper wire is wound into an essentially flat coil of 100 turns. The coil has a diameter of 0.05 m. The coil is placed in a magnetic field which varies with time,  $t[\text{s}]$ , according to the relation  $B(t) = 0.1 \cos(120\pi t)$  T. The magnetic field is normal to the surface of the coil. The ends of the coil are connected with heavy gauge copper wire to a true *rms* voltmeter which has a high input impedance.

[3] (i) What is the induced EMF in the coil?

$V(t) =$

[1] (iii) What is the voltage reading displayed on the voltmeter?

$V_{\text{rms}} =$

[2] (iv) If the resistance of the coil is  $1\ \Omega$ , what is the current?

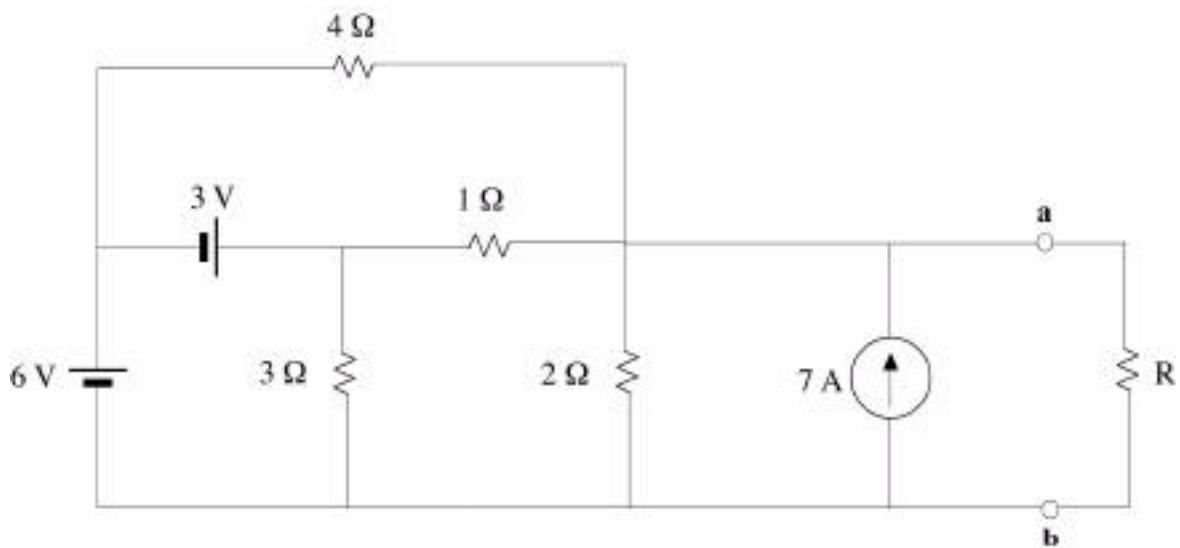
$I(t) =$

[2] (v) What is the power dissipation in the coil,  $P(t)$ ?

$P(t) =$

### Question 2: DC Circuits

Consider the circuit shown below.



- [7] (i) Using nodal analysis, find the Thévenin's equivalent voltage to the left of terminals **a** and **b**.

$$V_{Th} =$$

- [3] (ii) Determine the Thévenin's equivalent resistance of this circuit to the left of terminals **a** and **b**.

$$R_{eq} =$$

Question 2: DC Circuits

[2] (iii) Draw the Norton equivalent circuit to the left of terminals **a** and **b**.

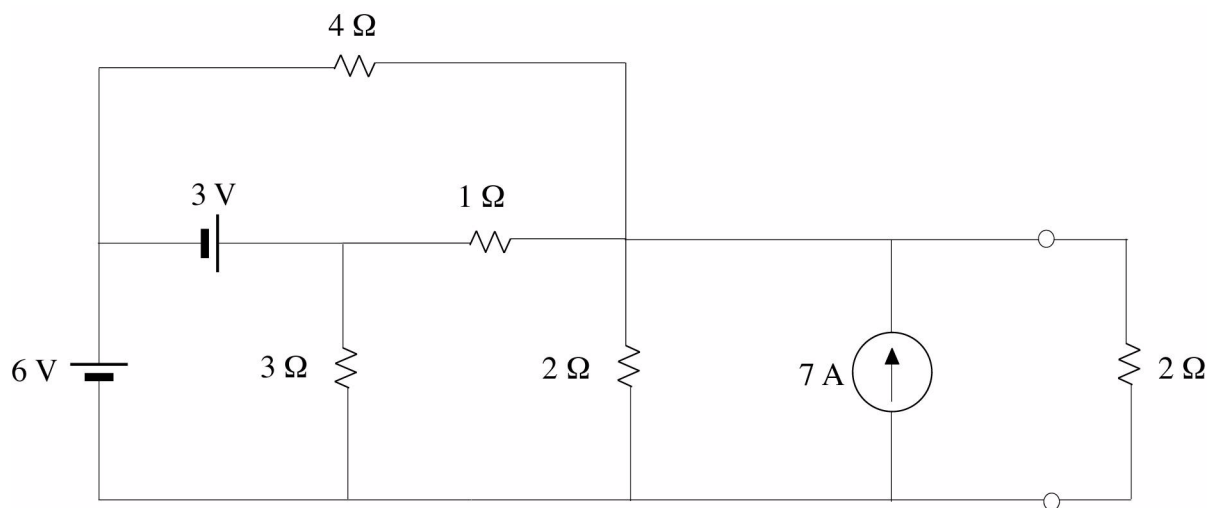
Norton equivalent circuit:

[3] (iv) What is the maximum power that can be transferred to the load, R?

$P_{\max} =$

[3] (v) Assuming R is 2  $\Omega$ , what is the actual power delivered to the load?

$P_R =$

**Question 2: DC Circuits**

- [7] (vi) Use the principle of superposition to determine the current flowing downward in the  $3\ \Omega$  resistor. (The circuit has been reproduced above for your convenience.)

$I_1$  (due to 6 V) =

$I_2$  (due to 3 V) =

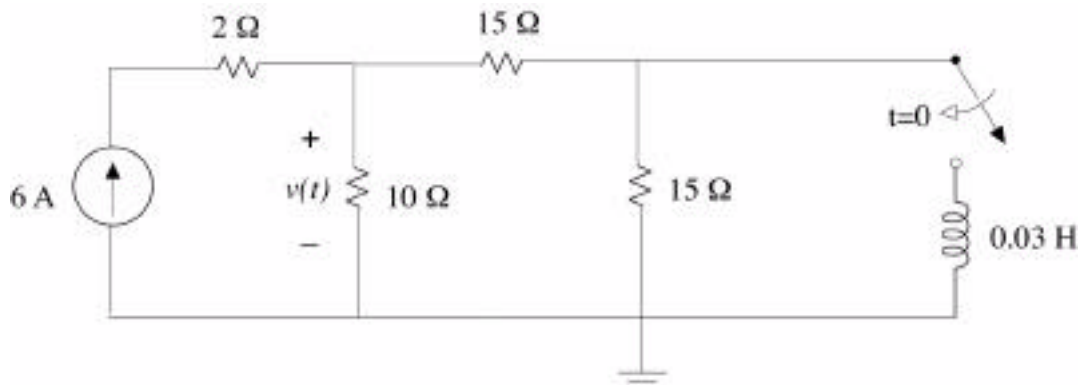
$I_3$  (due to 7 A) =

$I$  =



### Question 3: Transient Analysis

- A. The switch is closed at time  $t=0$  in the circuit shown below. Assume that the switch was open for a long time prior to time zero.



- [4] (i) Find  $v(t)$  for  $t = 0^-$  and  $t = 0^+$ .

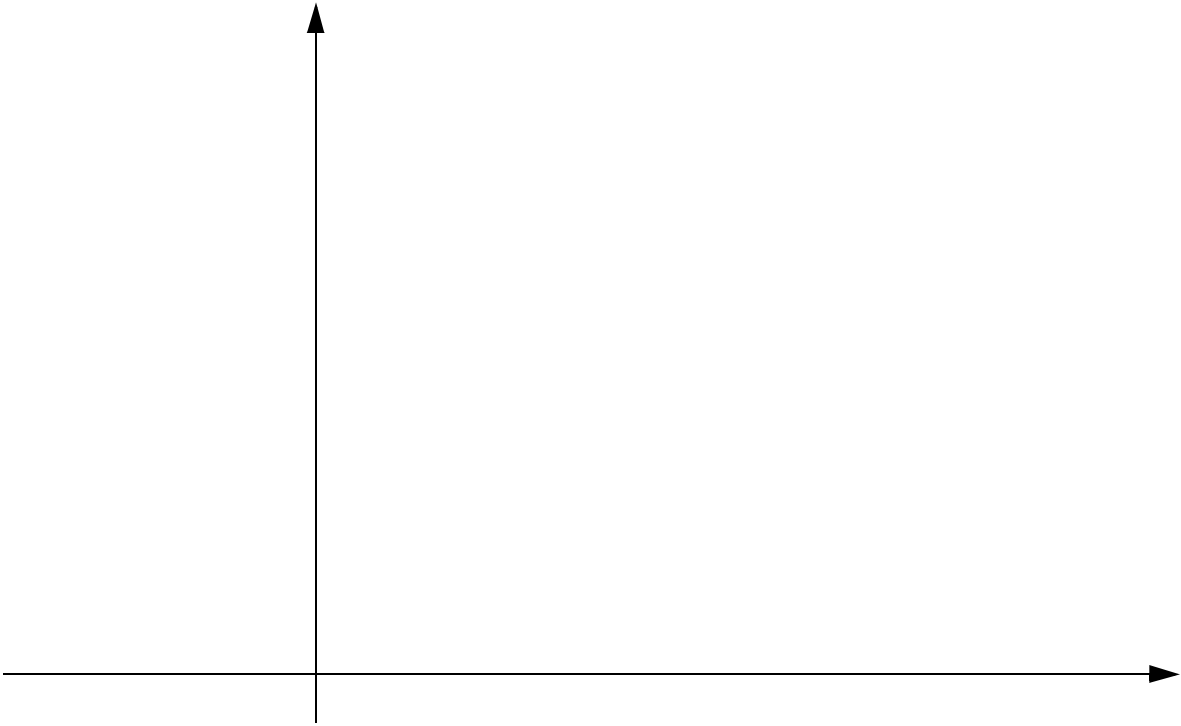
$$v(t=0^-)=$$

$$v(t=0^+)=$$

- [6] (ii) Find  $v(t)$  as a function of time for  $t > 0$ .

$$v(t) \text{ for } t > 0:$$

- [5] (iii) Sketch  $v(t)$  for all time; clearly label the axes.

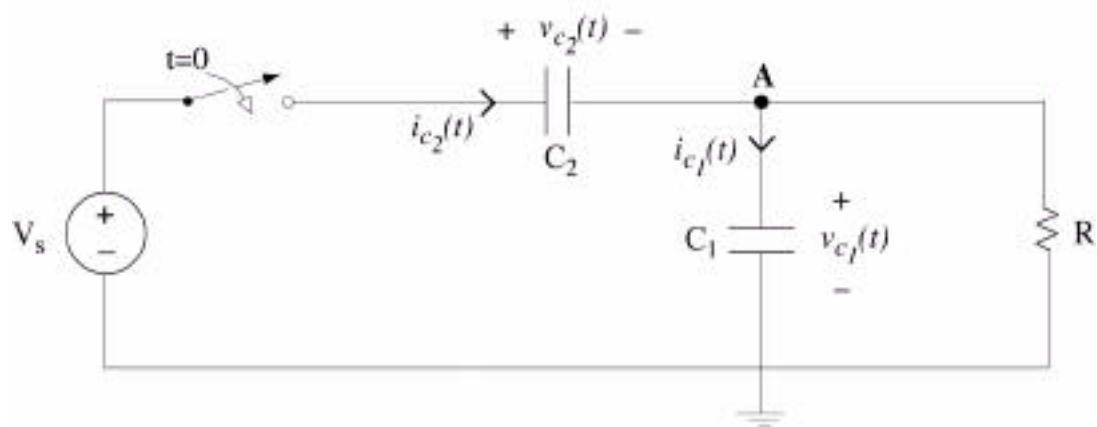


Question 3: Transient Analysis

**B.** For the circuit shown below, the switch is closed at time  $t = 0$ . Prior to time  $t = 0$ , you may assume that the switch has been open for a long time.

- [8] (i) Derive the differential equation for  $v_{c_I}(t)$  for  $t > 0$ .

HINT: Begin by writing the node equation (i.e., applying KCL) at node **A**.



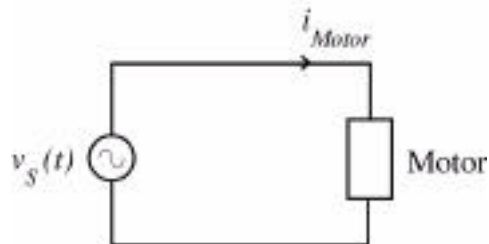
Differential equation for  $v_{c_I}(t)$  for  $t > 0$

- [2] (ii) Find the time constant for the above circuit and the value of  $v_{c_I}(t)$  a long time after the switching action.

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 $v_{c_I}(\quad) =$

### Question 4: AC Circuits

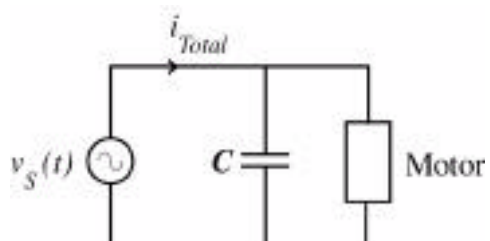
A 1000 watt electric motor is connected to a source of  $120\text{ V}_{\text{rms}}$  at 60 Hz, which results in a lagging power factor (PF) of 0.8. (Note: lagging power factor means the current in the motor lags the voltage across the motor.)



- [5] (i) Calculate the current (*rms* value) drawn from the source.

$$i_{\text{Motor}(\text{rms})} =$$

- [5] (ii) The PF is increased to 0.95 lagging by placing a capacitor in parallel with the motor. Calculate the new current (*rms* value) drawn from the source **with** the capacitor connected.



$$i_{\text{Total}(\text{rms})} =$$

**Question 4: AC Circuits**

- [10] (iii) Determine the value of the capacitor required to make the correction.

C =

- [5] (iv) The motor can be modeled with a resistor R and an inductor L in series, determine the values of R and L.

R =

L =