ENG2200
Electric Circuits

Chapter 7

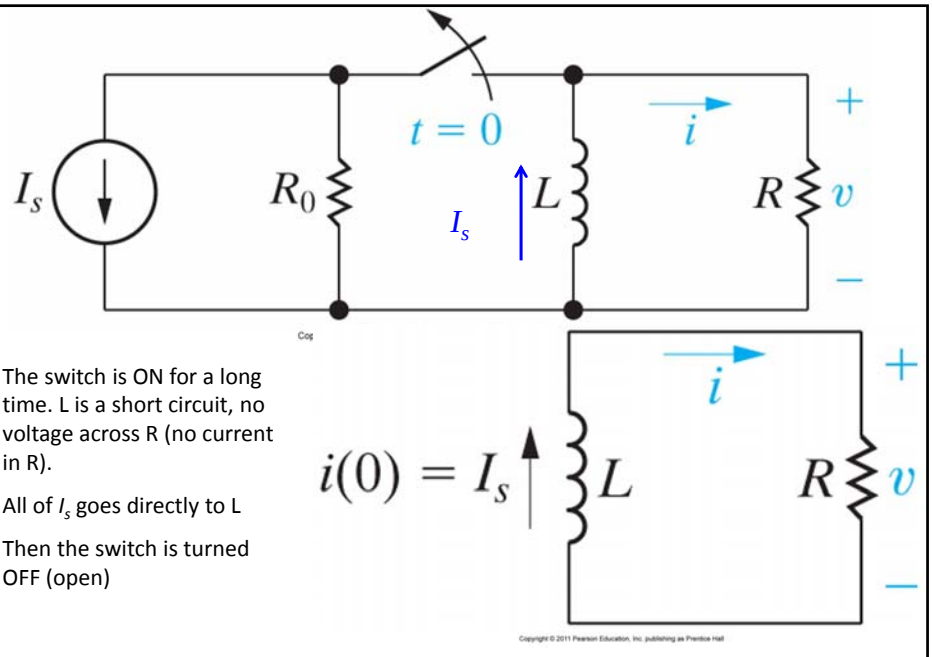
Response of First Order RL and RC Circuits

Objectives

- Be able to determine the natural response of RL and RC circuits.
- Be able to determine the step response of RL and RC circuits.
- Know how to analyze circuits with sequential switching.

Introduction

- **Natural Response**: The current and voltages that arise when the stored energy in the L of C is released.
- **Step Response**: The current and voltage that arise when energy is being acquired by the L or C when a sudden application of voltage or current is applied to the circuit.



The switch is ON for a long time. L is a short circuit, no voltage across R (no current in R).

All of I_s goes directly to L

Then the switch is turned OFF (open)

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

$$v(0^+) = I_0 R$$

$$L\frac{di}{dt} + Ri = 0$$

$$\frac{di}{dt}dt = -\frac{R}{L}idt$$

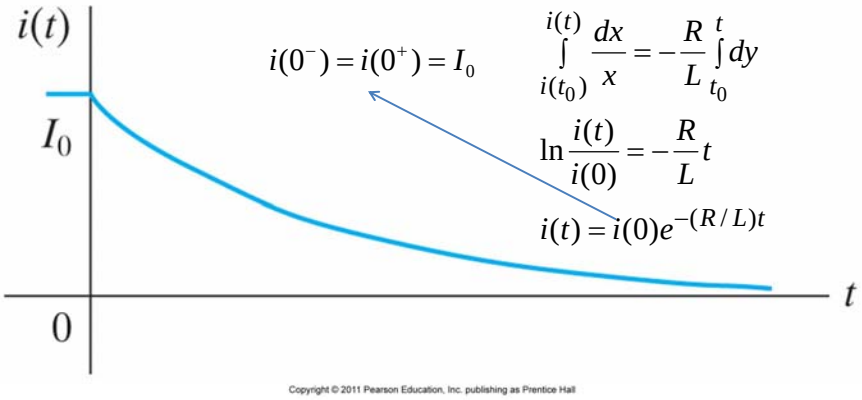
$$\frac{di}{i} = -\frac{R}{L}dt$$

$$\int_{i(t_0)}^{i(t)} \frac{dx}{x} = -\frac{R}{L}\int_{t_0}^{t} dy$$

$$\ln\frac{i(t)}{i(0)} = -\frac{R}{L}t$$

$$i(t) = i(0)e^{-(R/L)t}$$

$$i(0^-) = i(0^+) = I_0$$



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Power and Energy

$$p = vi = i^2 R$$

$$p = I_0^2 R e^{-2(R/L)t}$$

$$w = \int_0^t p(x)dx$$

$$w = \int_0^t I_0^2 R e^{-2(R/L)x}dx$$

$$w = \frac{-1}{2R/L} I_0^2 R \quad e^{-2(R/L)x}\Big|_0^t$$

$$w = \frac{1}{2} L I_0^2 (1 - e^{-2(R/L)t})$$

TABLE 6.1 Terminal Equations for Ideal Inductors and Capacitors

Inductors	
$v = L\frac{di}{dt}$	(V)
$i = \frac{1}{L}\int_{t_0}^{t} v\,d\tau + i(t_0)$	(A)
$p = vi = Li\frac{di}{dt}$	(W)
$w = \frac{1}{2}Li^2$	(J)
Capacitors	
$v = \frac{1}{C}\int_{t_0}^{t} i\,d\tau + v(t_0)$	(V)
$i = C\frac{dv}{dt}$	(A)
$p = vi = Cv\frac{dv}{dt}$	(W)
$w = \frac{1}{2}Cv^2$	(J)

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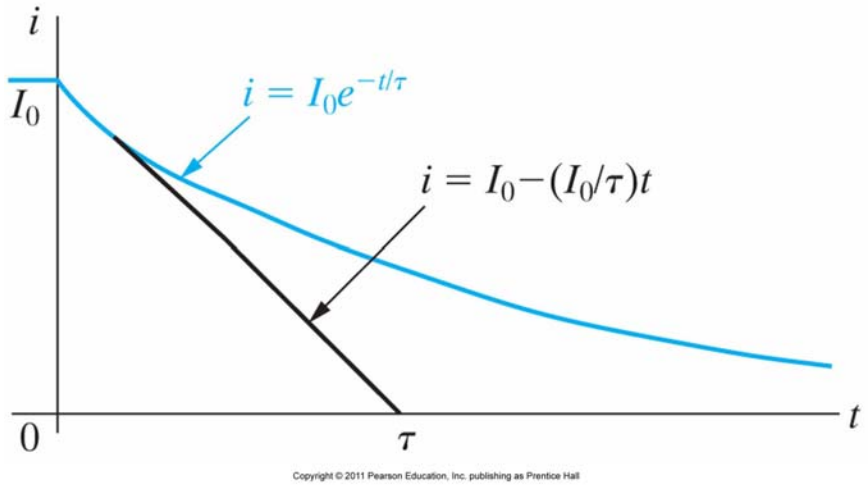
$$i(t) = I_0 e^{-(R/L)t}, \quad \tau = \frac{L}{R} \text{ time constant}$$



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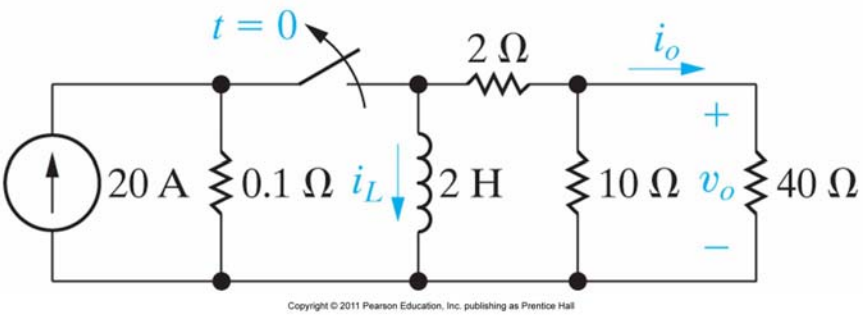

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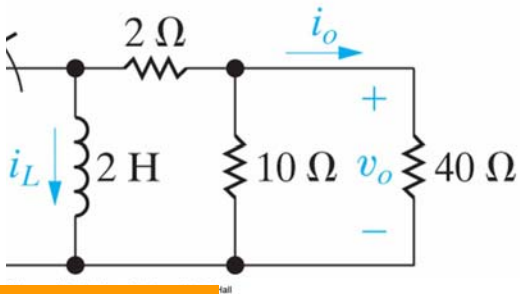
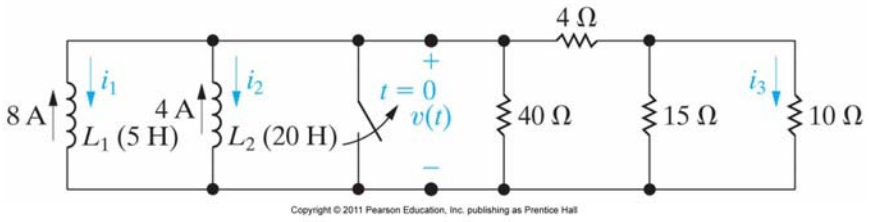


$$i(t) = I_0 e^{-(R/L)t}, \quad \tau = \frac{L}{R} \text{ time constant}$$

$$\mathrm{i(t)} = 20e^{-4000t}$$

Example



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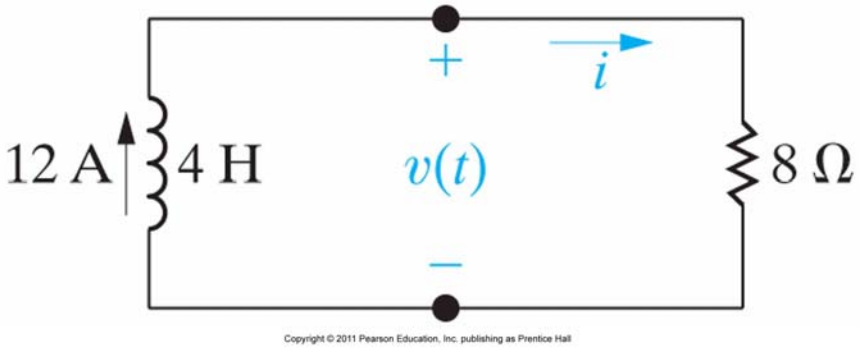

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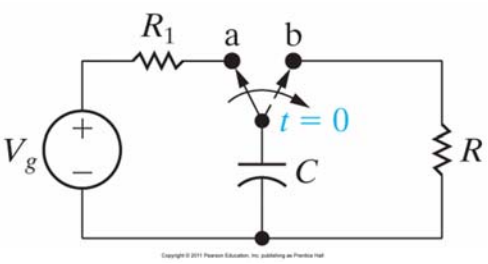
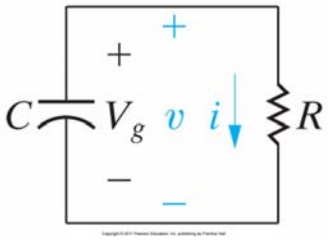
$$i(t) = I_0 e^{-(R/L)t}, \quad \tau = 0.5\,\text{sec}$$
$$\text{i(t)} = 12e^{-2t}$$

An *RC circuit.*





Switch in position A for a long time
The capacitor charged to V_g

An *RC circuit.*

$$v + iR = 0$$

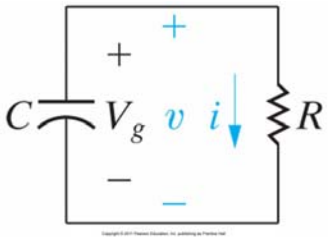
$$v = -RC\frac{dv}{dt}$$

$$dt = -RC\frac{dv}{v}$$

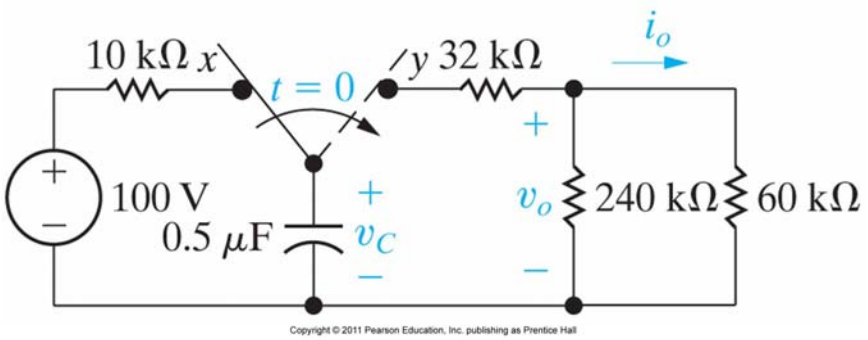
$$\int_{v(t_0)}^{v(t)} -RC\frac{dv}{v} = \int_{t_0}^{t} dy$$

$$\ln\frac{v(t)}{v(0)} = -\frac{1}{RC}t$$

$$v(t) = v(0)e^{-t/\tau}, \tau = RC$$



Why v+iR=0 not v-iR=0



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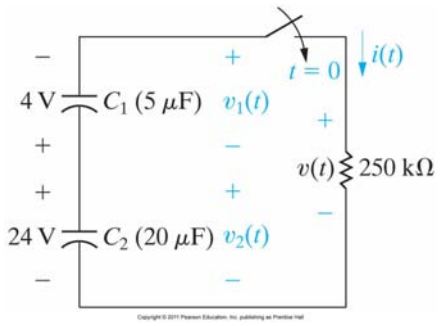

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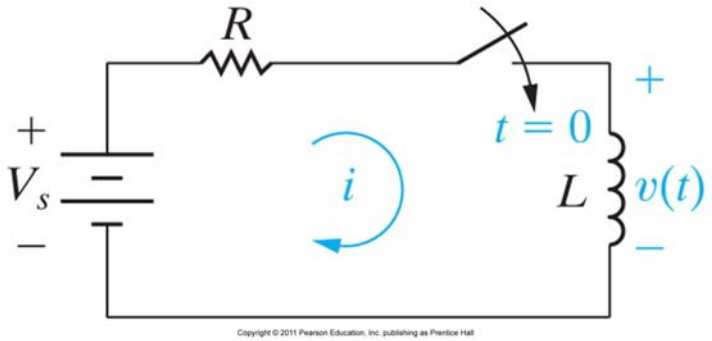

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$$V_s = Ri + L\frac{di}{dt}$$

$$\frac{di}{dt} = \frac{-Ri + V_s}{L} = \frac{-R}{L}\left(i - \frac{Vs}{R}\right)$$

$$di = \frac{-R}{L}\left(i - \frac{Vs}{R}\right)dt$$

$$\frac{di}{i - (V_s/R)} = \frac{-R}{L}dt$$

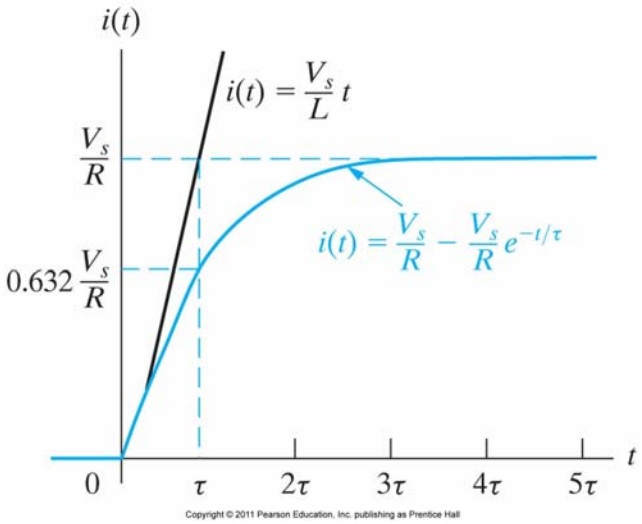
$$\int_{I_0}^{i(t)} \frac{di}{i - (V_s/R)} = \int_0^t \frac{-R}{L}dt$$

$$\ln\frac{i(t) - (V_s/R)}{I_0 - (V_s/R)} = \frac{-R}{L}t$$

$$\frac{i(t) - (V_s/R)}{I_0 - (V_s/R)} = e^{-(R/L)t}$$

$$i(t) = \frac{V_s}{R} + \left(I_0 - \frac{V_s}{R}\right)e^{-(R/L)t}$$

$$i(t) = \frac{V_s}{R}(1 - e^{t/\tau})$$



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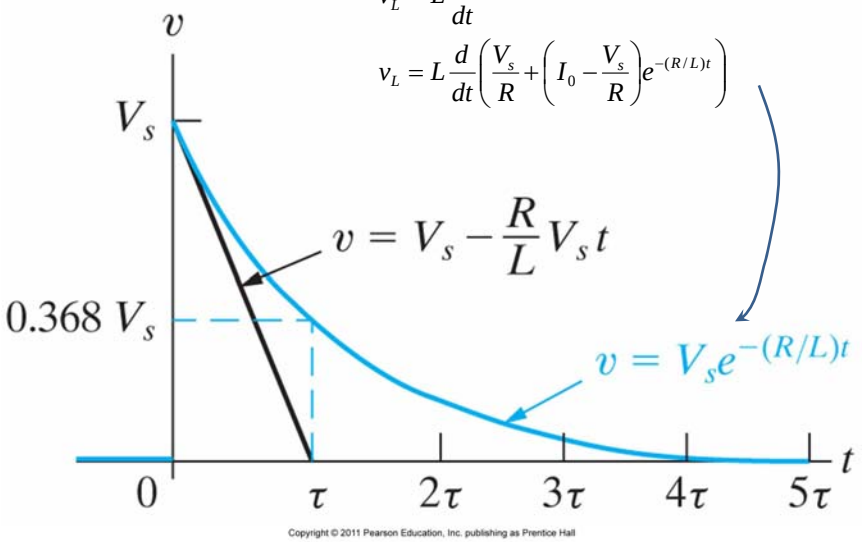
$$v_L = L\frac{di}{dt}$$

$$v_L = L\frac{d}{dt}\left(\frac{V_s}{R} + \left(I_0 - \frac{V_s}{R}\right)e^{-(R/L)t}\right)$$



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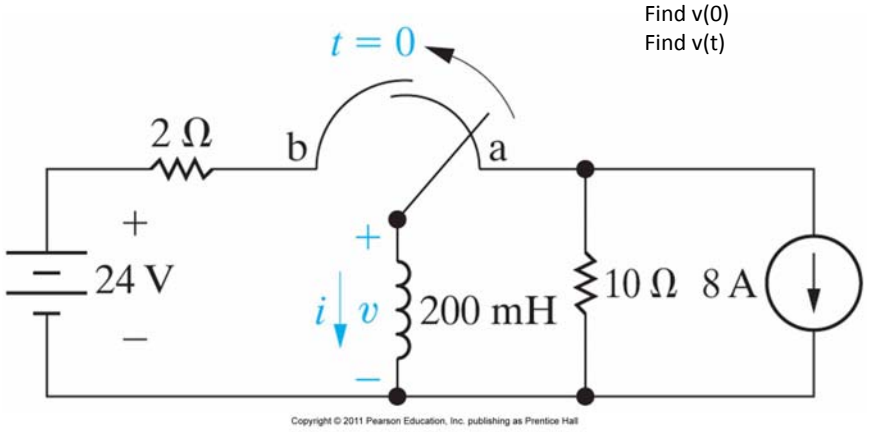
Find i(t)
Find v(0)
Find v(t)



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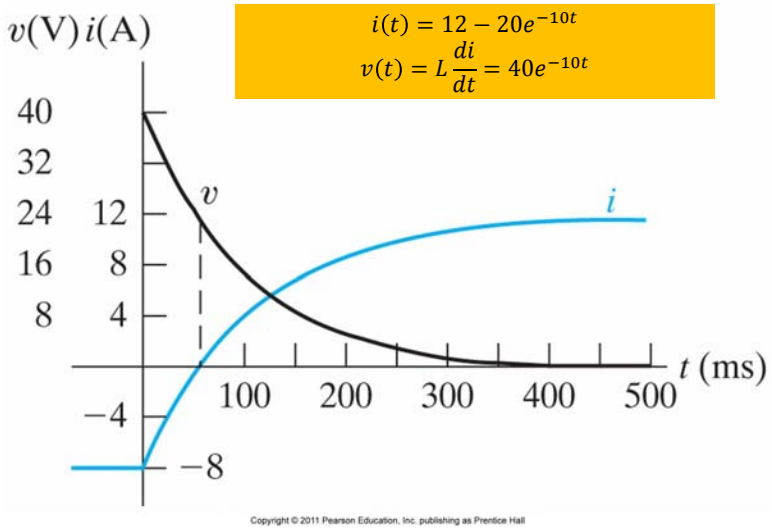
$$i(t) = 12 - 20e^{-10t}$$

$$v(t) = L\frac{di}{dt} = 40e^{-10t}$$



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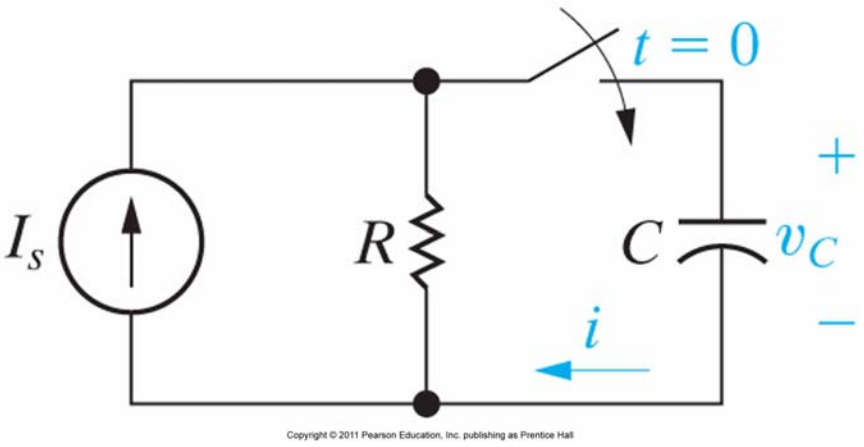
Step Response of RC Circuits



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Step Response of RC Circuit

$$C\frac{dv}{dt}+\frac{v}{R}=I_s$$

$$\frac{dv}{dt}=\frac{-v/R+I_s}{C}=\frac{-v+I_sR}{RC}$$

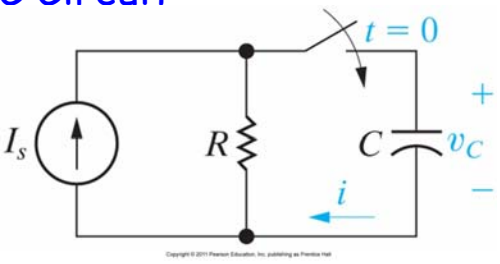
$$\frac{dv}{v-I_sR}=\frac{-1}{RC}dt$$

$$\int_{V_0}^{v(t)}\frac{dv}{v-I_sR}=\int_0^t\frac{-1}{RC}dt$$

$$\ln\frac{v(t)-(I_sR)}{V_0-(I_sR)}=\frac{-1}{RC}t$$

$$\frac{v(t)-(I_sR)}{V_0-(I_sR)}=e^{-t/RC}$$

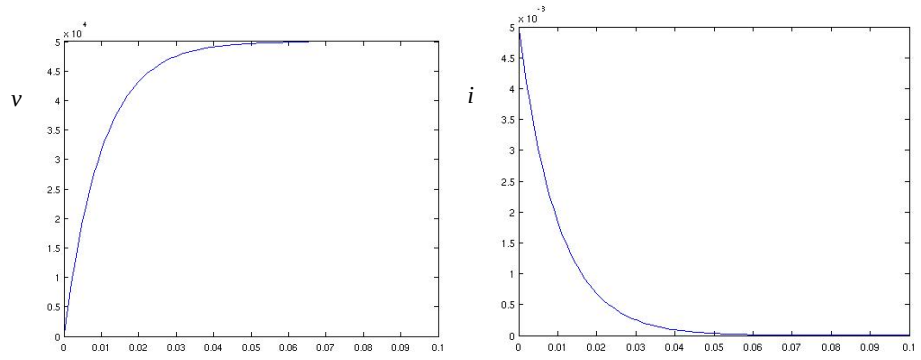
$$v(t)=I_sR+(V_0-I_sR)e^{-t/RC}$$



$$i=C\frac{dv}{dt}$$

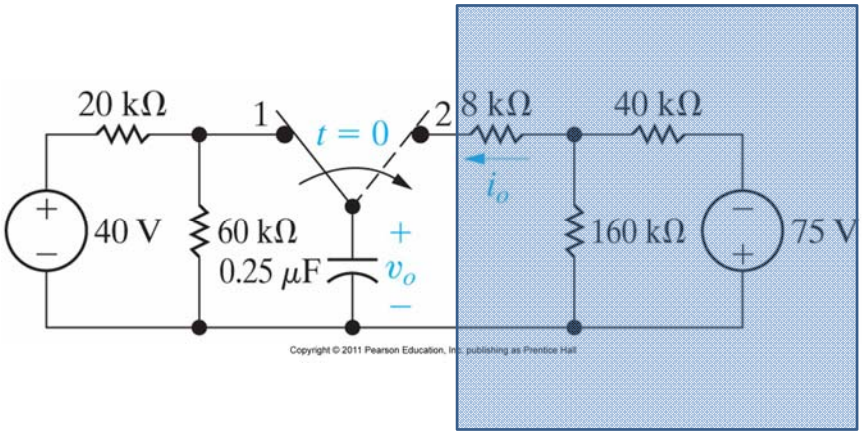
$$i=C(V_0-I_sR)\left(\frac{-1}{RC}\right)e^{-t/RC}$$

$$i=\left(I_s-\frac{V_0}{R}\right)e^{-t/RC}$$



R=10 KΩ
C=1 μF
I_s=5A
V_0=0

Figure 7.22 The circuit for Example 7.6.



Get Norton's Equivalent

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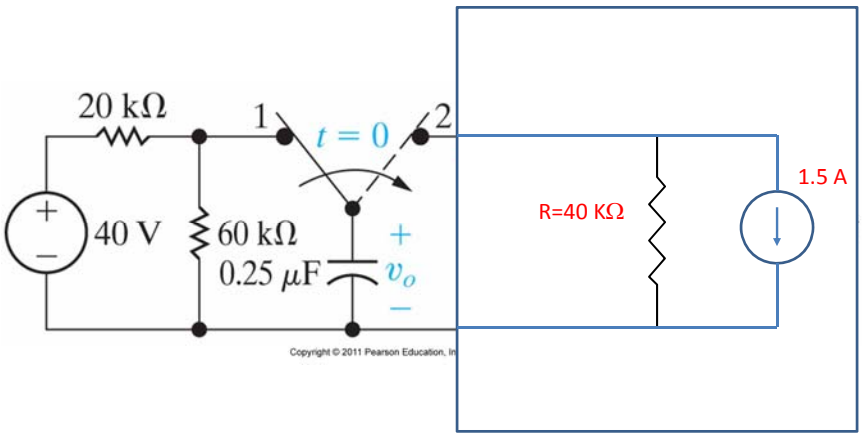

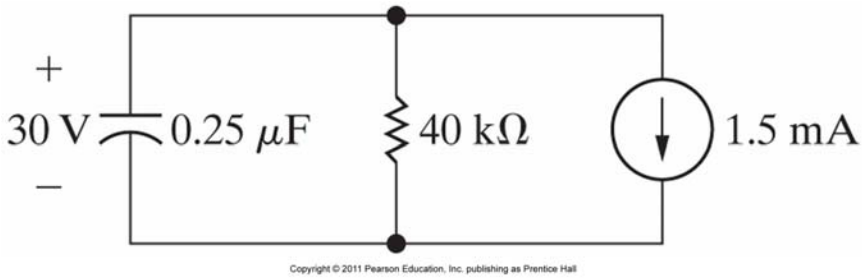

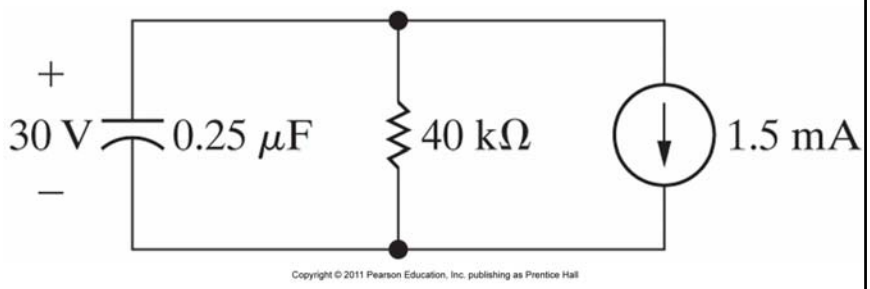

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$$v(t) = I_s R + (V_0 - I_s R)e^{-t/RC}$$

$$v(t) = (-1.5) \times 40K + (30 - (-60))e^{-100t}$$

$$v(t) = -60 + 90e^{-100t}$$