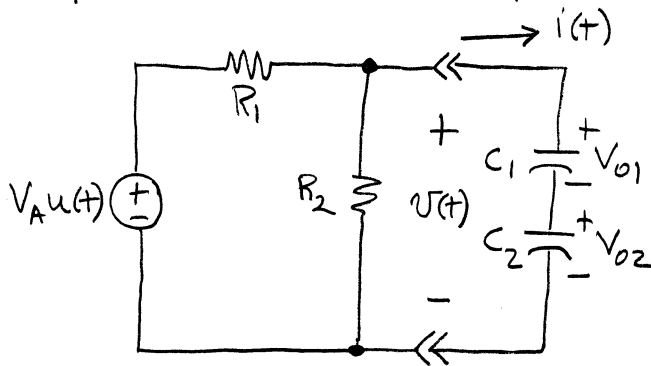


Example 7-4 Find the response of the given RC circuit.



$$V_A = 100 \text{ V}$$

$$C_1 = 0.1 \text{ pf}$$

$$C_2 = 0.5 \text{ pf}$$

$$R_1 = 30 \text{ k}$$

$$R_2 = 10 \text{ k}$$

$$\text{at } t=0 \quad V_{01} = 5 \text{ V}$$

$$V_{02} = 10 \text{ V}$$

The two capacitors can be replaced by a single equivalent capacitor

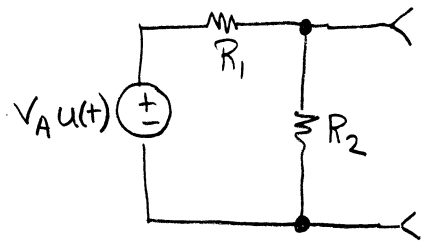
$$C_{EQ} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{C_1} + \frac{1}{C_2}} = \frac{C_1 C_2}{C_1 + C_2}$$

$$C_{EQ} = \frac{(0.1)(0.5)}{0.1 + 0.5} = 0.0833 \text{ pf}$$

The initial voltage on  $C_{EQ}$  is the sum of the initial voltages on  $C_1$  and  $C_2$

$$V_0 = V_{01} + V_{02} = 5 + 10 = 15 \text{ volts.}$$

We next find the Thevenin equivalent seen by  $C_{EQ}$ .



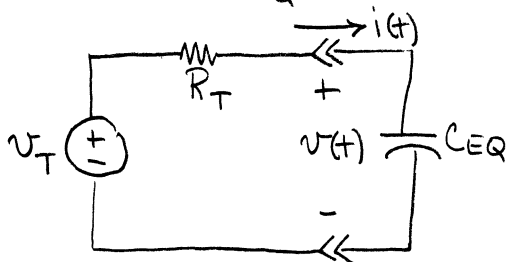
$$v_T = v_{\infty} = \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} V_A u(t) = \frac{10 \text{ k}}{30 \text{ k} + 10 \text{ k}} 100 u(t)$$

$$v_T(t) = 25 u(t)$$

Replacing the voltage source by a short we see that

$$R_T = R_1 \parallel R_2 = \frac{(30 \text{ k})(10 \text{ k})}{30 \text{ k} + 10 \text{ k}} = 7.5 \text{ k}$$

$$T_c = R_T C_{EQ} = (7.5 \times 10^3)(0.0833 \times 10^{-6}) = 0.625 \text{ ms}$$



The circuit equation is

$$-v_T(t) + i(t)R_T + v(t) = 0$$

$$\text{but } i(t) = C_{EQ} \frac{dv(t)}{dt}$$

$$-v_T(t) + R_T C_{EQ} \frac{dv}{dt} + v = 0$$

$$R_T C_{EQ} \frac{dv}{dt} + v = v_T(t)$$

The complete solution is  $v(t) = v_N(t) + v_F(t)$

$$R_T C_{EQ} s + 1 = 0$$

$$s = -\frac{1}{R_T C_{EQ}} \quad T_C = R_T C_{EQ} = 0.625 \text{ ms}$$

The forced solution is  $v_F(t) = 25$  since  $v_T = 25 u(t)$

The natural solution is  $v_N(t) = K e^{-\frac{t}{T_C}} = K e^{-\frac{t}{0.625 \text{ ms}}}$

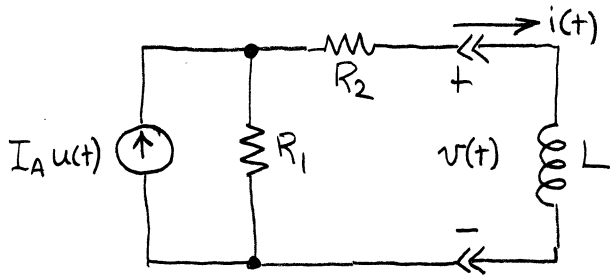
K can be found using the initial condition  $v(t=0) = 15$

$$v(t=0) = 15 = K e^0 + 25$$

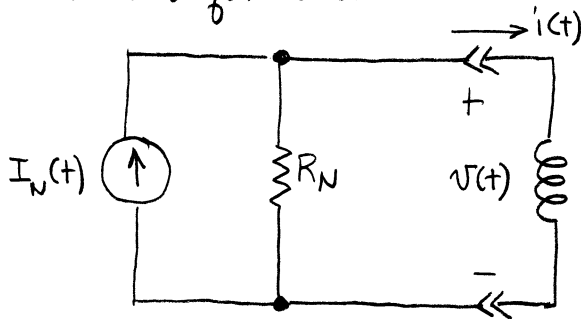
$$K = 15 - 25 = -10 \text{ volts.}$$

$$v(t) = 25 - 10 e^{-\frac{t}{0.625 \text{ ms}}} \quad t \geq 0.$$

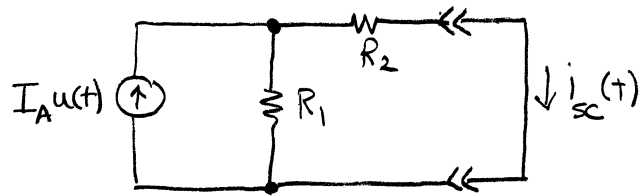
Example 7-5 Find the step response of the RL circuit given below. The initial condition is  $i(0) = I_0$



Norton equivalent circuit

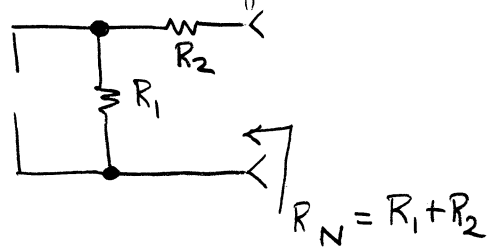


The short circuit current is



$$I_N(t) = i_{sc}(t) = \frac{R_1}{R_1 + R_2} I_A u(t)$$

The Norton equivalent resistance



Do KCL @ node A  $\sum_{+in} i = 0$

$$+I_N - \frac{v}{R_N} - i = 0$$

$$I_N - \frac{1}{R_N} L \frac{di}{dt} - i = 0$$

$$\frac{L}{R_N} \frac{di}{dt} + i = I_N(t)$$

The forced solution is  $i_F(t) = i_{sc}(0) = \frac{R_1 I_A}{R_1 + R_2}$

The natural solution is  $i_N(t) = K e^{-\frac{t}{L/R_N}}$

The total solution is  $i(t) = i_F(t) + i_N(t) = \frac{R_1 I_A}{R_1 + R_2} + K e^{-\frac{t}{L/R_N}}$

Initial condition  $i(0) = \frac{R_1 I_A}{R_1 + R_2} + K = I_0$

$$i(t) = \left[ I_0 - \frac{R_1 I_A}{R_1 + R_2} \right] e^{-\frac{t}{L/(R_1 + R_2)}} + \frac{R_1 I_A}{R_1 + R_2}$$

## Example 7-6

The state variable response of a first-order RC circuit for a step function input is

$$v_c(t) = 20 e^{-200t} - 10V \quad t \geq 0$$

(a) What is the circuit time constant?

natural response is  $e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}}$

$$\tau_c = \frac{1}{200} = 5 \text{ ms.}$$

(b) What is the initial voltage across the capacitor?

$$v_c(0) = 20e^0 - 10 = 20 - 10 = 10 \text{ volts}$$

(c) What is the amplitude of the forced response?

The natural response decays to zero.

The forced response is the final value at  $t = \infty$

$$v_c(t \rightarrow \infty) = -10 \text{ volts.}$$

(d) At what time is  $v_c(t) = 0$ ?

$$20 e^{-200t} - 10 = 0$$

$$20 e^{-200t} = 10$$

$$e^{-200t} = \frac{10}{20} = 0.5$$

$$\ln e^{-200t} = \ln(0.5)$$

$$-200t = -0.693$$

$$t = \frac{0.693}{200} = 3.466 \text{ ms.}$$

Zero-state response

$$(7-20) \quad v(t) = (V_0 - V_A) e^{-\frac{t}{RC}} + V_A$$

$$(7-22) \quad i(t) = (I_0 - I_A) e^{-\frac{t}{L/R}} + I_A$$

Now rearrange

$$v(t) = V_0 e^{-\frac{t}{RC}} + V_A (1 - e^{-\frac{t}{RC}})$$

$$i(t) = I_0 e^{-\frac{t}{L/R}} + I_A (1 - e^{-\frac{t}{L/R}})$$

Zero-input  
response

occurs when  
input = 0

proportional to  
initial state

Initial-state  
response

occurs when initial  
state ( $V_0$  or  $I_0$ ) is zero

proportional to  
initial condition

## 7-3 Initial and Final Conditions

For  $t \geq 0$  the state variable step responses can be written as

$$\text{RC circuit} \quad v_C(t) = [v_C(0) - v_C(\infty)] e^{-\frac{t}{\tau_c}} + v_C(\infty) \quad t \geq 0$$

$$\text{RL circuit} \quad i_L(t) = [i_L(0) - i_L(\infty)] e^{-\frac{t}{\tau_L}} + i_L(\infty) \quad t \geq 0$$

The general form is

$$\text{state variable response} = \left[ \begin{array}{cc} \text{initial value} & \text{final value} \\ \text{of} & \text{of} \\ \text{state variable} & \text{state variable} \end{array} \right] e^{-\frac{t}{\tau_c}} + \text{final value of state variable}$$

This argues that all we need are

- the initial value
- the final value
- the time constant

Use dc analysis to find final values for

- capacitor  $\rightarrow$  open
- inductor  $\rightarrow$  short

Final value must be greater than  $5\tau_c$  from initial conditions

Use dc analysis to determine initial values based upon previous final values