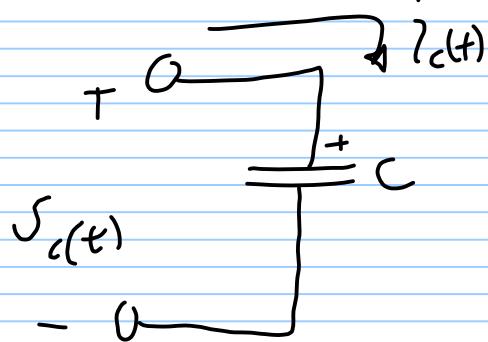


# Response of first-order RL & RC circuits



$$i_c(t) = C \frac{d}{dt} U_c(t)$$

$$U_c(t) = \frac{1}{C} \int_0^t i_c(t) dt + U_c(0^-), \text{ for } t > 0$$

initial voltage  
of the capacitor

at  $t = 0^+$

$$U_c(0^+) = \frac{1}{C} \int_{0^-}^{0^+} i_c(t) dt + U_c(0^-)$$

$$U_c(0^+) = U_c(0^-)$$

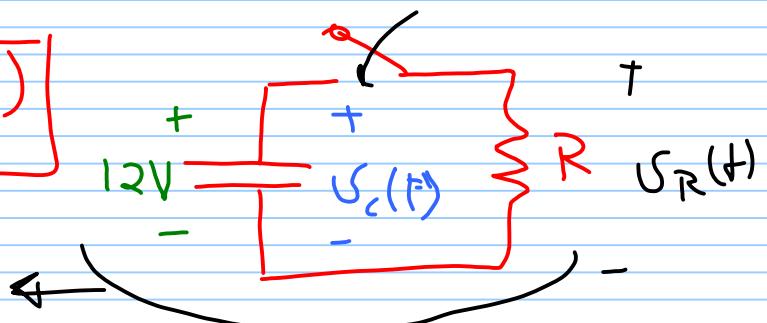
$$U_c(0^-) = 12V$$

$$U_c(0^+) = 12V$$

$$U_c(\infty) = 0V$$

$$0.0000001$$

at  $t = 0$



$$U_R(0^-) = 0V$$

$$U_R(0^+) = 12V$$

1. The current through a capacitor is zero if the voltage across it is not changing with time.

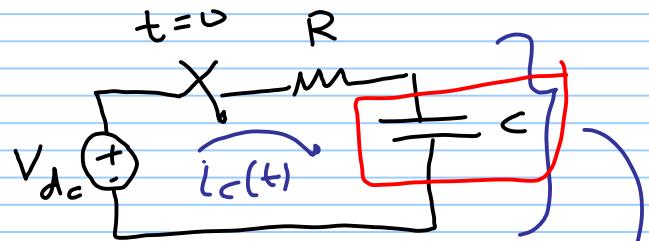
$$i_c(t) = C \frac{d}{dt} V_c(t)$$

↳ steady state

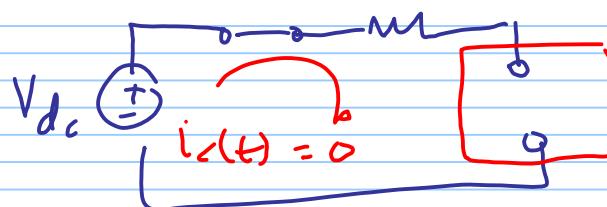
so at steady state

$$t \rightarrow \infty$$

$$i_c(\infty) \text{ or } R i_c(\text{steady state}) = \text{zero}$$



A capacitor is therefore an open circuit to dc!



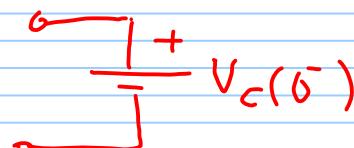
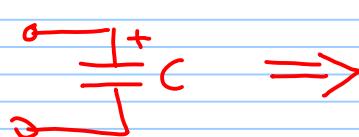
2. A finite amount of energy can be stored in a capacitor even if the current through the capacitor is zero.

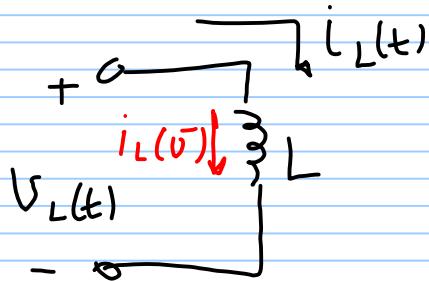
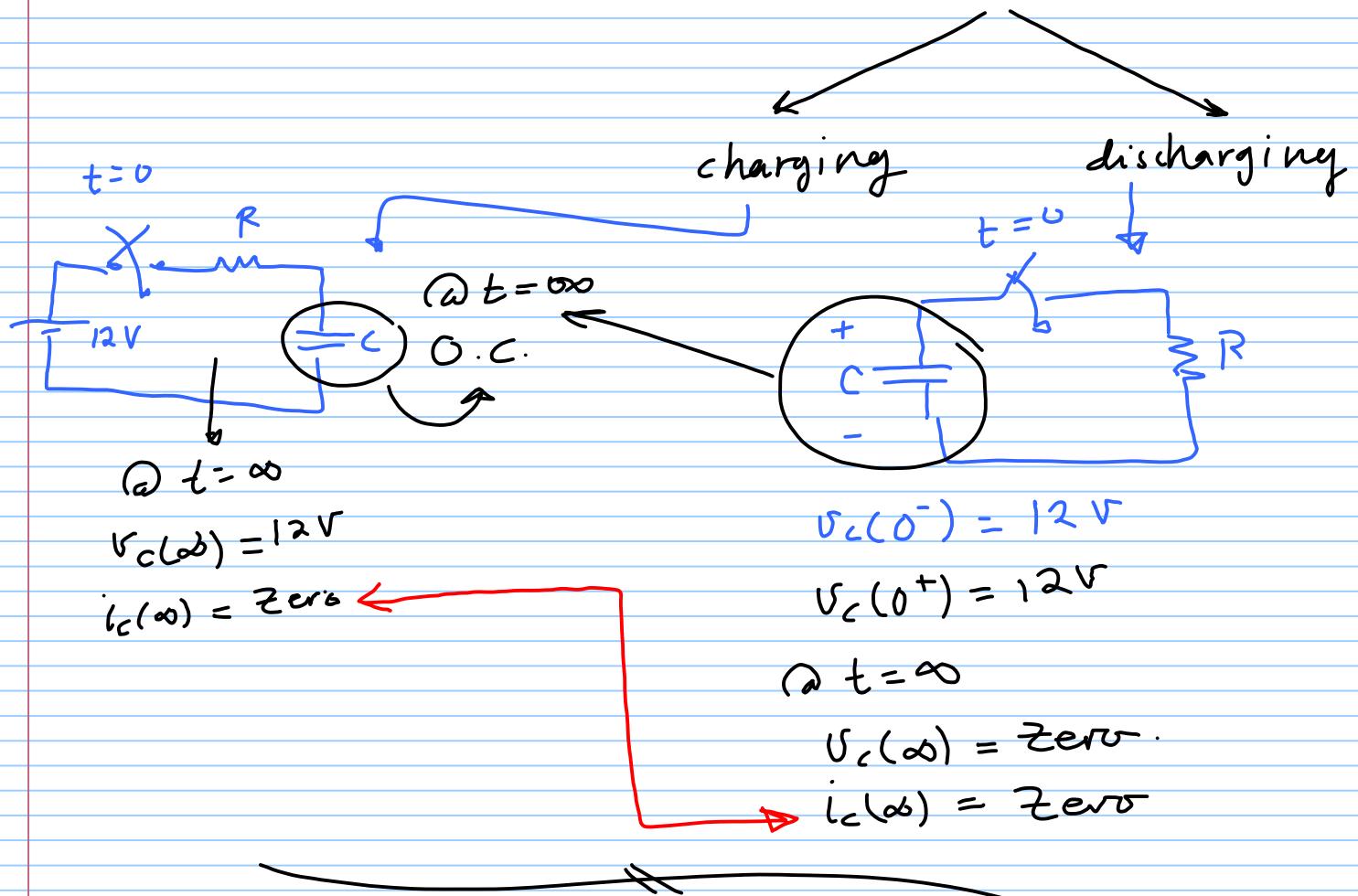
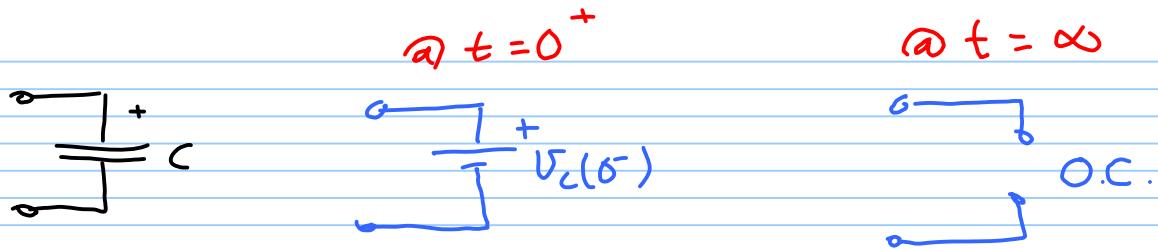
3. The capacitor never dissipate energy, but only store it.

$$V_c(0^-) = V_c(0^+)$$

4. It is impossible to change the voltage across a capacitor by a finite amount in zero time,

5. At  $t = 0^+$





$$V_L(t) = L \frac{di}{dt}$$

$$i_L(t) = i_L(0^-) + \frac{1}{L} \int_{0^-}^t V_L(t) dt, \text{ for } t > 0$$

1. There is no voltage across an inductor if the current through it is not changing with time.

An inductor is therefore a short circuit to dc.

(a)  $t = \infty$

$$V_L(\infty) = L \frac{d}{dt} i(\infty)$$

const.

$$= \text{zero}$$

2. A finite amount of energy can be stored in an inductor even if the voltage across the inductor is zero.

3. The inductor never dissipate energy, but only store it.

4.  $i_L(t) = i_L(0^-) + \frac{1}{L} \int_{0^-}^{0^+} V_L(t) dt, \quad t \geq 0$

(a)  $t = 0^+$

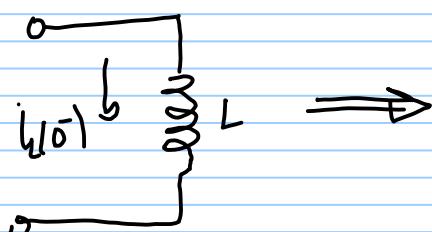
$$i_L(0^+) = i_L(0^-) + \frac{1}{L} \int_{0^-}^{0^+} V_L(t) dt$$

Zero

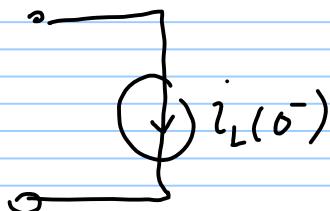
$$i_L(0^+) = i_L(0^-)$$

it is impossible to change the current through an inductor by a finite amount in zero time, for this requires an infinite voltage across the inductor.

(a)  $t = 0^+$



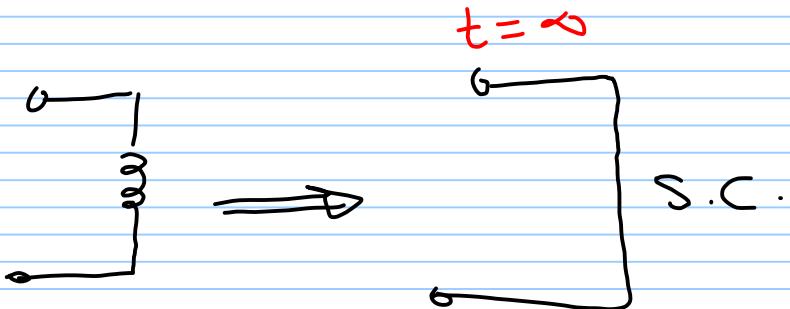
$t = 0^+$



$$t = \infty$$

$$V_L(t) = L \frac{d}{dt} i_L(t)$$

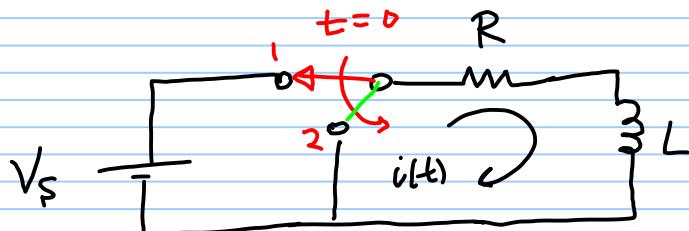
An inductor is therefore a short circuit to dc.



## First Order Circuit

$R + L \}$      $RL$ ,  $RC$  circuits.  
 $\cup R + C$

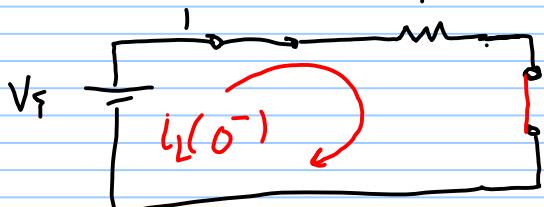
 Natural Response of 1<sup>st</sup> order circuit



find  $i(t)$  for  $t > 0$

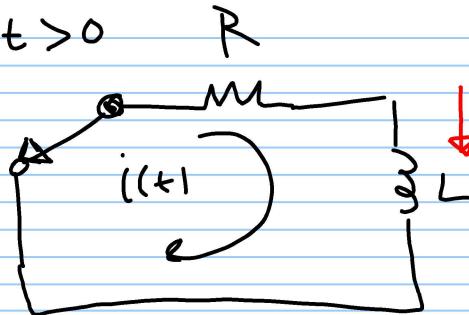
$$V_L = L \frac{di}{dt}$$

1) for  $t < 0$ ;  $t = 0^-$   $R$



$$i_L(0^-) = \frac{V_s}{R}$$

2) for  $t > 0$



KVL

$$R i(t) + L \frac{di}{dt} = 0$$

$$i(t) = A e^{st} \quad \text{for } t > 0$$

$$RA e^{st} + LA s e^{st} = 0$$

$$A e^{st} \left( \frac{R}{s} + L \right) = 0$$

$$\therefore s = -\frac{R}{L}$$

How to find A

From initial conditions

$$i(t) = A e^{st} \quad t > 0$$

$$i(0^+) = A$$

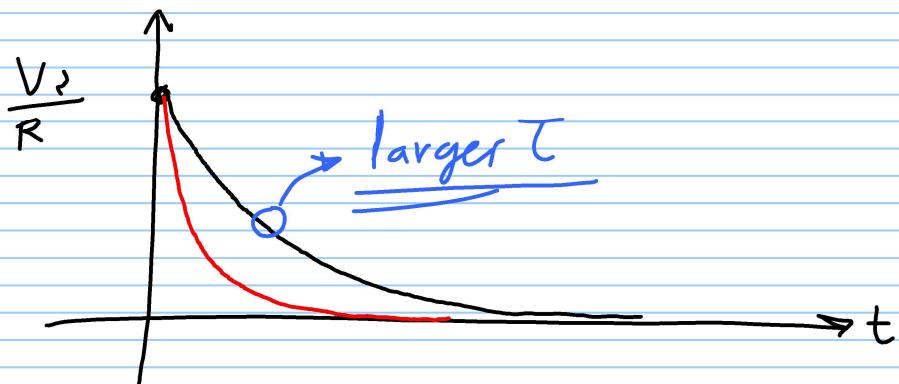
$$i(0^+) = i_L(0^+) = i_L(0^-) = \frac{V_f}{R}$$

$$\therefore i(t) = \frac{V_f}{R} e^{-\frac{R}{L}t} \quad t > 0$$

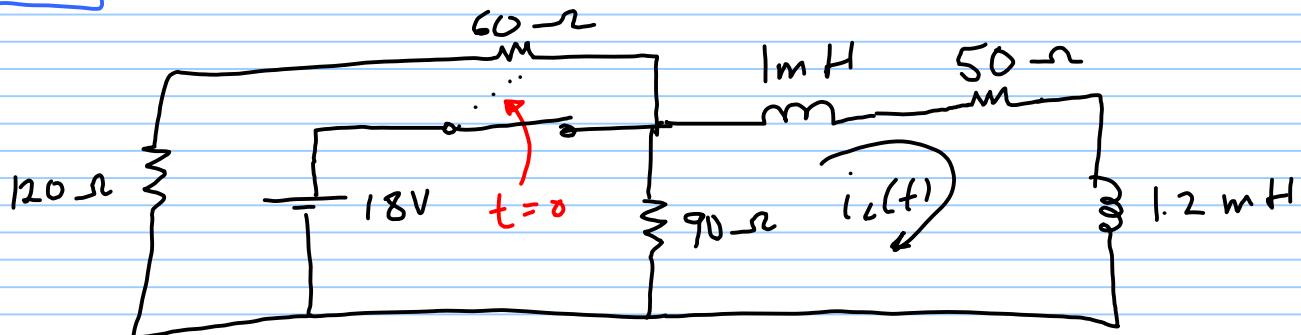
$\tau = \frac{L}{R}$ , Time constant

$$i(t) = \frac{V_f}{R} e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}}$$

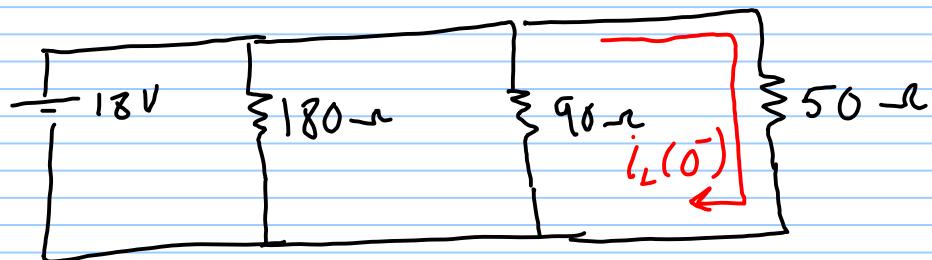
$i(t)$



Ex] find  $i_L(t)$  for  $t > 0$



1) for  $t < 0$ ,  $t = 0^-$

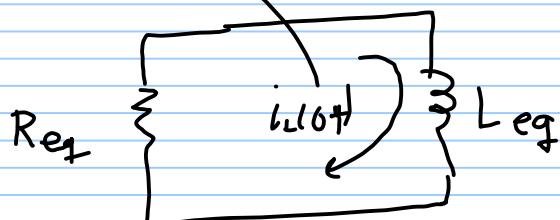


$$i_L(0^-) = \frac{18}{50} = 0.36 \text{ A}$$

$$i_L(0^-) = i_L(0^+) \checkmark$$

$$V(0^-) \neq V(0^+)$$

2) for  $t > 0$



$$R_{eq} = (180/90) + 50 = 110 \text{ ohm}$$

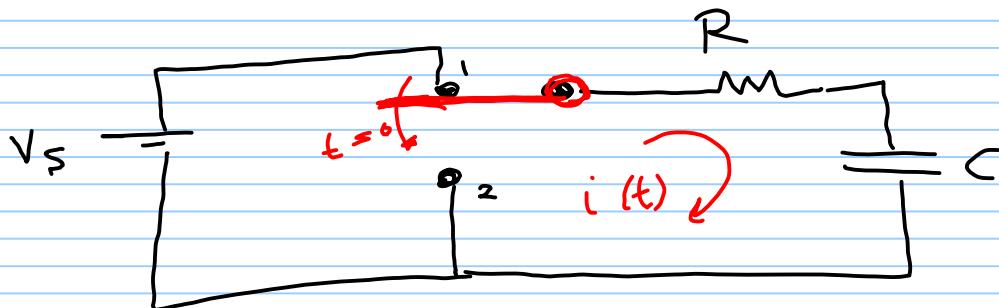
$$L_{eq} = 1\text{mH} + 1.2\text{mH} = 2.2\text{mH}$$

$$\tau = \frac{L_{eq}}{R_{eq}} = 20 \mu \text{sec}$$

$$i_L(t) = A e^{-t/\tau} \quad \text{for } t > 0$$

$$i_L(t) = 0.36 e^{-50000t}, \quad t > 0$$

## RC circuit

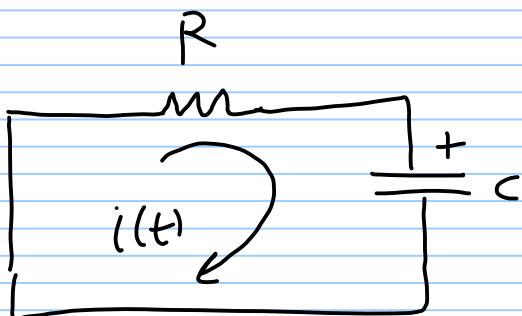


1) for  $t < 0$ ;  $t = 0^-$



$$V_c(0^-) = V_s$$

2) for  $t > 0$



KVL

$$R i(t) + V_c(0^-) + \frac{1}{L} \int_{0^-}^t i(t) dt = 0, \quad t > 0$$

$$R \frac{d}{dt} i(t) + \frac{1}{C} i(t) = 0$$

↗  $\boxed{i(t) = A e^{\frac{-st}{RC}}}, \quad t > 0$

$$R A \cancel{e^{\frac{-st}{RC}}} + \frac{1}{C} A \cancel{e^{\frac{-st}{RC}}} = 0$$

$$A e^{st} \left( RS + \frac{1}{C} \right) = 0$$

$$\therefore \boxed{s = -\frac{1}{RC}}$$

✓

$$\therefore i(t) = A e^{-\frac{1}{RC}t}, t > 0$$

$$\therefore \tau = RC \quad (\text{time constant})$$

$$i(t) = A e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}}, t > 0$$

to find A

$$i(t) = A e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}}$$

$$\boxed{i(0^+) = A}$$

$$\frac{1}{\tau} \rightarrow i(0^-) \propto$$

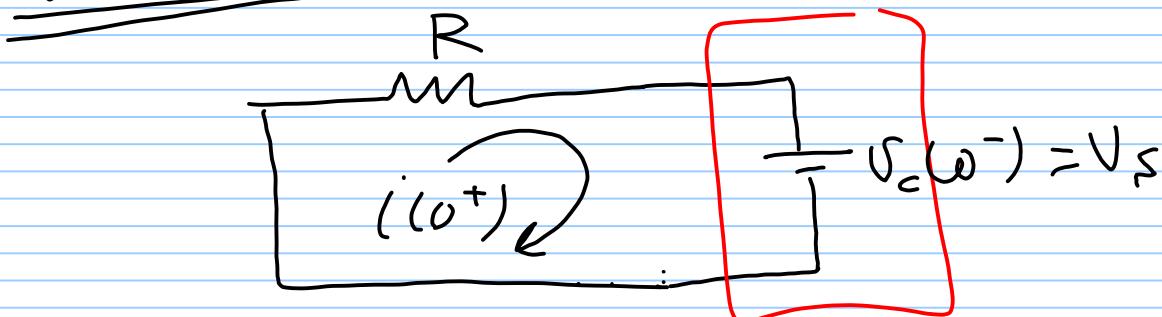
$$i(0^-) \neq i(0^+)$$

!!

$$V_C(0^-) = V_C(0^+)$$

✓

to find  $i(0^+)$

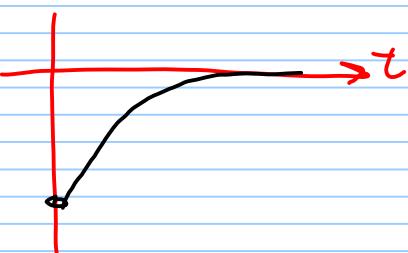


$$i(0^+) = - \frac{V_C(0^-)}{R} = - \frac{V_s}{R} = \underline{\underline{A}}$$

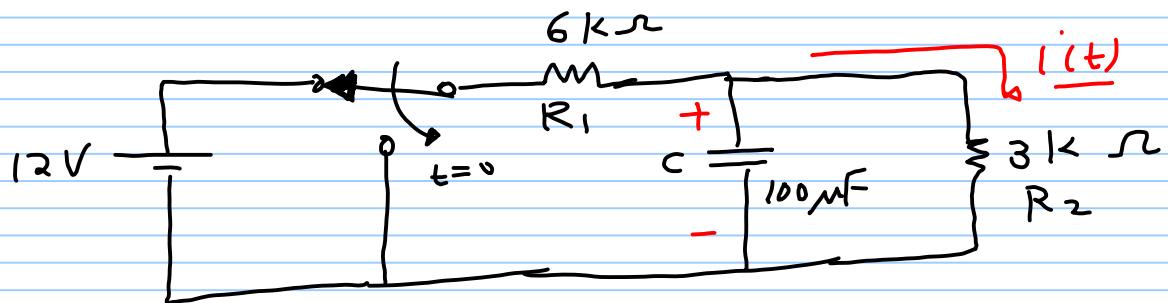
$$\therefore i(t) = - \frac{V_s}{R} e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}}, t > 0$$

$$\tau = RC$$

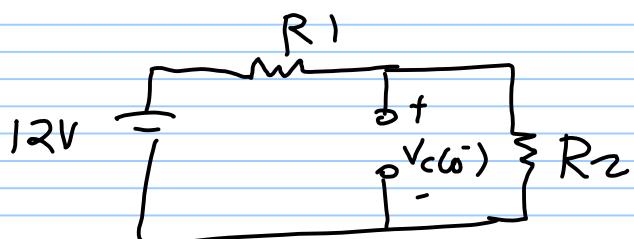
$$-\frac{V_s}{R}$$



Ex] calculate  $V_c(t)$  &  $\dot{i}(t)$  for  $t > 0$



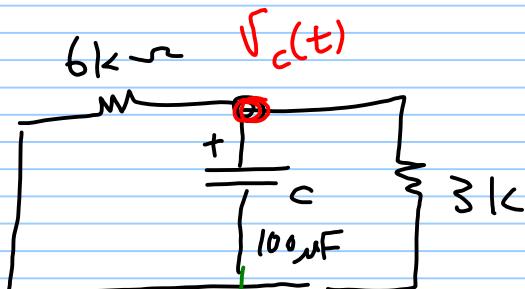
1) for  $t \leq 0$  ;  $t = 0^-$



$$V_c(0^-) = \frac{R_2}{R_2 + R_1} V_s = \frac{3}{3+6} \times 12 = 4V$$

$$\boxed{V_c(0^-) = 4V}$$

2) for  $t > 0$

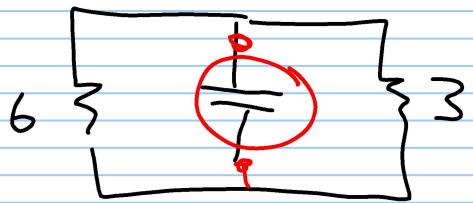


$$\frac{V_c(t)}{6k} + \frac{V_c(t)}{3k} + C \frac{d}{dt} V_c(t) = 0$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} V_c(t) + 5V_c(t) = 0$$

$$V_c(t) = A e^{-t/5} \quad t > 0, \quad \tau = \frac{R_{eq} C}{\underline{\underline{R_{eq}}}} \\ \text{seen by } C \quad \leftarrow$$

$$R_{eq} = 6k \parallel 3k \\ = 2k\Omega$$



$$T = R_{eq}C = 0.2 \text{ sec.}$$

$$V_c(t) = A e^{-5t} \quad . \quad t > 0$$

to find A

$$V_c(0^+) = A = V_c(0^-) = 4 \text{ Volt.}$$

$$\stackrel{\circ}{\circ} V_c(t) = 4e^{-5t} \text{ V, } t > 0$$

$$\stackrel{\circ}{\circ} i_c(t) = \frac{V_c(t)}{3k} = \frac{4}{3} e^{-5t} \text{ mA} \quad t > 0.$$

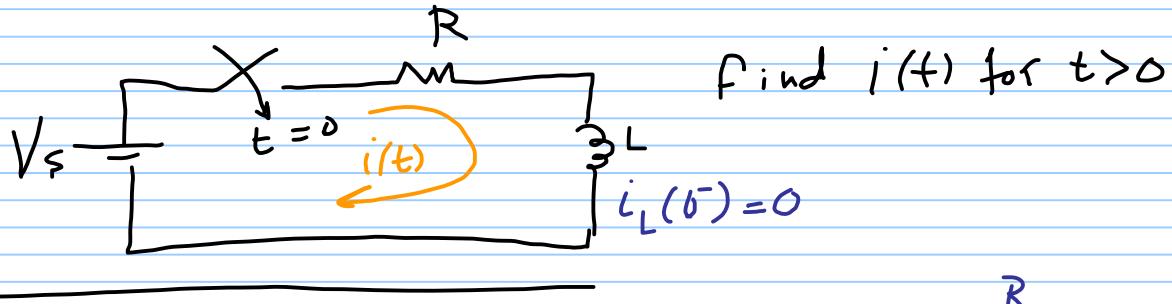
→ find  $i_c(t)$

$$i_c(t) = C \frac{d}{dt} V_c(t)$$

## The step Response of RC & RL circuits

→ The response of a circuit to the sudden application of a const. Voltage or current source.

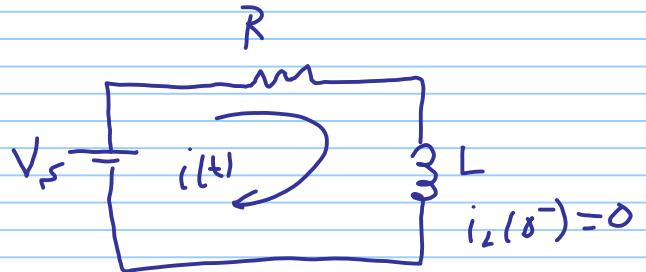
### \* The step response of RL circuits



for  $t > 0$

KVL

$$V_s = R i(t) + L \frac{di}{dt} \quad t > 0$$



non homogeneous differential equation

$$i(t) = i_n(t) + i_f(t) \quad *$$

$i_n(t)$  = natural response ( $e^{\lambda t}$ )

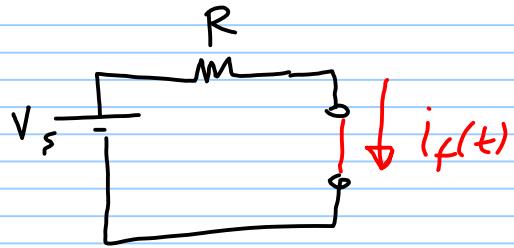
$i_f(t)$  = forced response. [final value]

→ to find  $i_f(t)$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \text{Let } i_f(t) &= K \\ V_s &= R i(t) + L \frac{di}{dt} \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow K = \frac{V_s}{R} = i_f(t)$$

$$V_s = R i(t) + L \frac{di}{dt} \quad | \quad i(t) = K + L[0]$$

OR to find  $i_f(t)$



$$\therefore i_f(t) = \frac{V_s}{R} \quad \checkmark$$

Now

$$i(t) = i_n(t) + \frac{V_s}{R}$$

$$= A e^{-t/\tau} + \frac{V_s}{R}$$

$$\tau = \frac{L}{R_{eq}} = \frac{L}{R} \quad t > 0$$

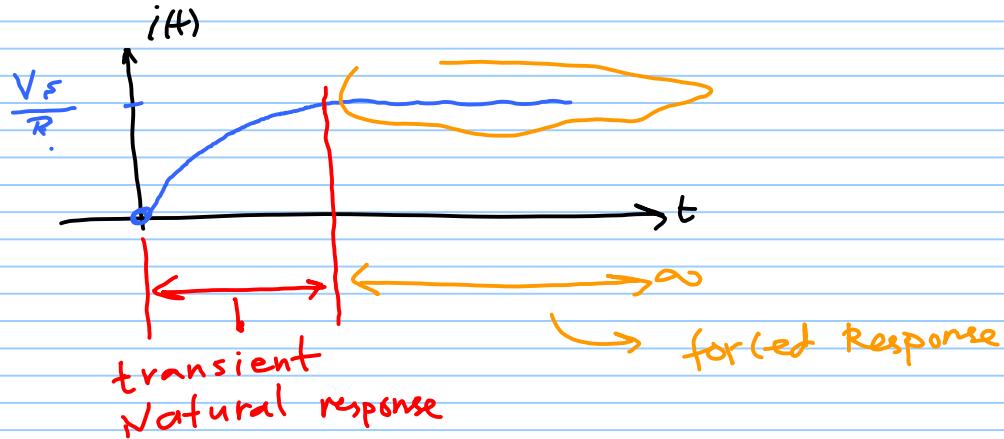
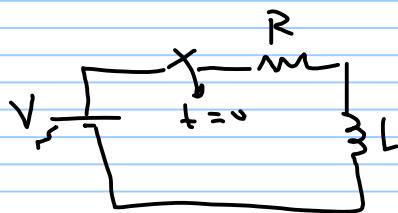
→ to find A

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

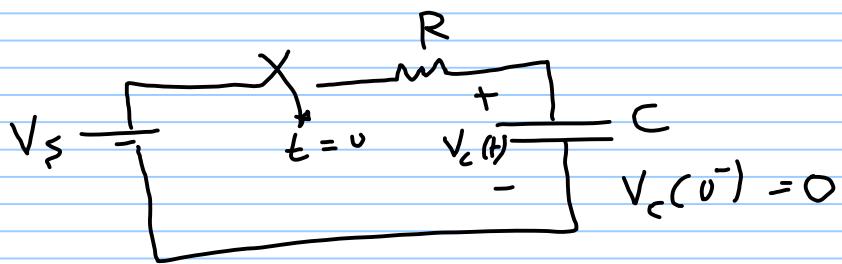
$$i(0^+) = \frac{V_s}{R} + A \quad \text{But} \quad i(0^+) = i_L(0^+) = i_L(0^-) = 0$$

$$\therefore A = -\frac{V_s}{R}$$

$$i(t) = \frac{V_s}{R} - \frac{V_s}{R} e^{-t/\tau} \quad t > 0$$

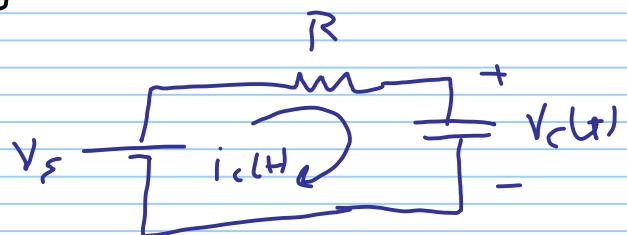


## The Step response of RC circuits



find  $V_c(t)$  for  $t > 0$

for  $t > 0$



$$-V_s + V_R + V_c(t) = 0$$

$$V_s = R (i_r(t) + V_c(t))$$

$$V_s = R C \frac{d}{dt} V_c(t) + V_c(t)$$

$$\frac{V_s}{R} = C \frac{d}{dt} V_c(t) + \frac{V_c(t)}{R}$$

$$V_c(t) = V_{c_n}(t) + V_{c_f}(t) \quad t > 0$$

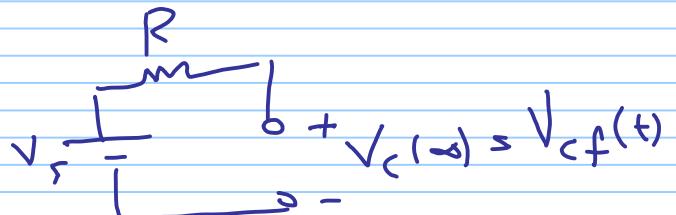
$$= A e^{-\frac{t}{T}} + K$$

$$\frac{1}{T} \uparrow$$

$$\frac{1}{T} \uparrow \downarrow$$

to find  $K$   $t \rightarrow \infty \rightarrow C \text{ is O.C.}$

$$K = V_s$$



$$\therefore V_c(t) = A e^{-\frac{t}{T}} + V_s \quad t > 0$$

$$T = R_{eq} C = RC$$

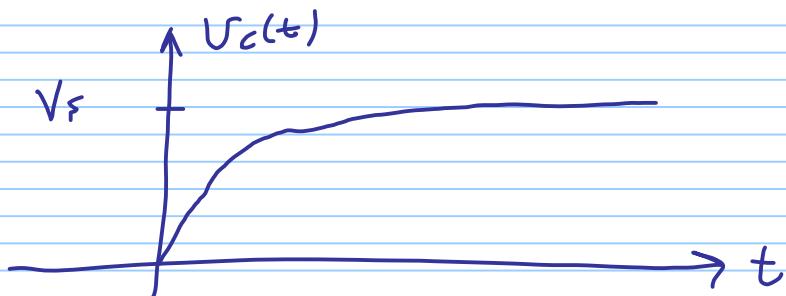
To find A

$$V_c(0^+) = V_{C(0^-)} = 0$$

$$V_c(0^+) = \underbrace{A[1] + V_f}_{-t/\tau} = 0$$

$$A = -V_f \cdot \frac{-t}{\tau}$$

$$\begin{aligned} V_c(t) &= V_f - V_f e^{-t/\tau} & t > 0 \\ &= V_f \left( 1 - e^{-t/\tau} \right) & t > 0 \end{aligned}$$



## 7.4 A General Solution for Step and Natural Responses

General solution for natural and step responses of  $RL$  and  $RC$  circuits ►

$$x(t) = x_f + [x(t_0) - x_f] e^{-(t-t_0)/\tau}. \quad (7.59)$$

The importance of Eq. 7.59 becomes apparent if we write it out in words:

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{the unknown variable as a value of the function of time} \\ \text{the final value of the variable} \end{array} + \left[ \begin{array}{l} \text{the initial value of the variable} \\ - \text{the final value of the variable} \end{array} \right] \times e^{-[t-(\text{time of switching})]/(\text{time constant})} \quad (7.60)$$

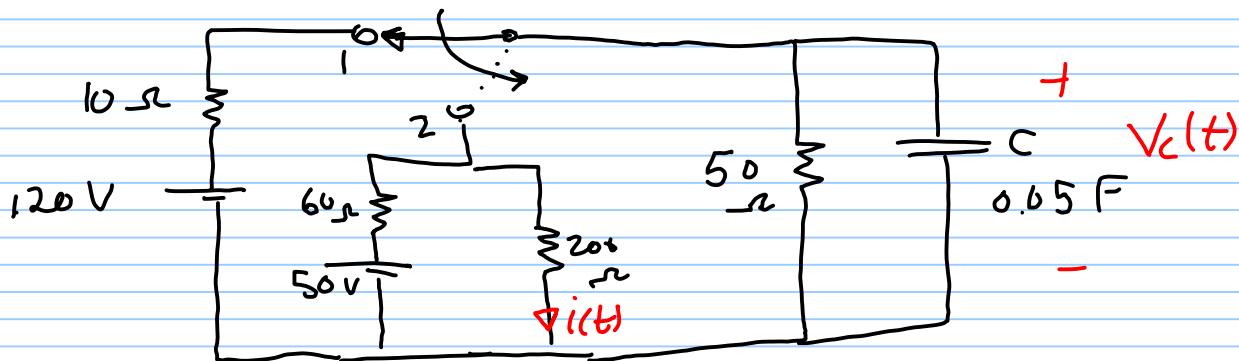
In many cases, the time of switching—that is,  $t_0$ —is zero.

When computing the step and natural responses of circuits, it may help to follow these steps:

Calculating the natural or step response of  $RL$  or  $RC$  circuits ►

- Identify the variable of interest for the circuit. For  $RC$  circuits, it is most convenient to choose the capacitive voltage; for  $RL$  circuits, it is best to choose the inductive current.
- Determine the initial value of the variable, which is its value at  $t_0$ . Note that if you choose capacitive voltage or inductive current as your variable of interest, it is not necessary to distinguish between  $t = t_0^-$  and  $t = t_0^+$ . This is because they both are continuous variables. If you choose another variable, you need to remember that its initial value is defined at  $t = t_0^+$ .
- Calculate the final value of the variable, which is its value as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ .
- Calculate the time constant for the circuit.

EX] find  $i(t)$  for  $t \rightarrow 0$

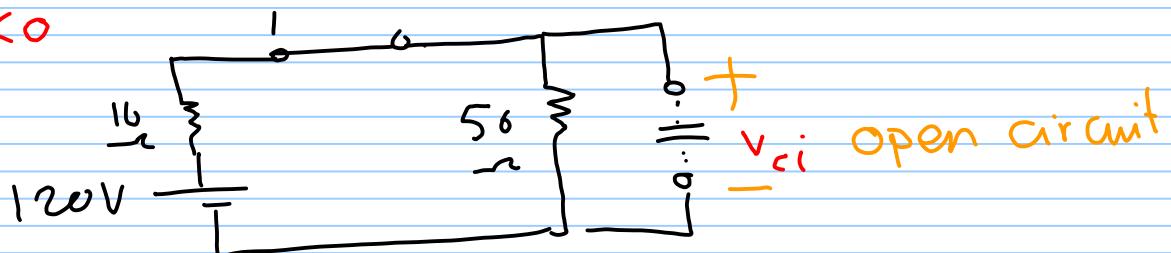


1<sup>st</sup> we will find  $V_c(t)$ , then  $i(t)$

$$V_c(t) = V_{cf} + [V_{ci} - V_{cf}] e^{-t/\tau}$$

$V_{ci}$

$t < 0$



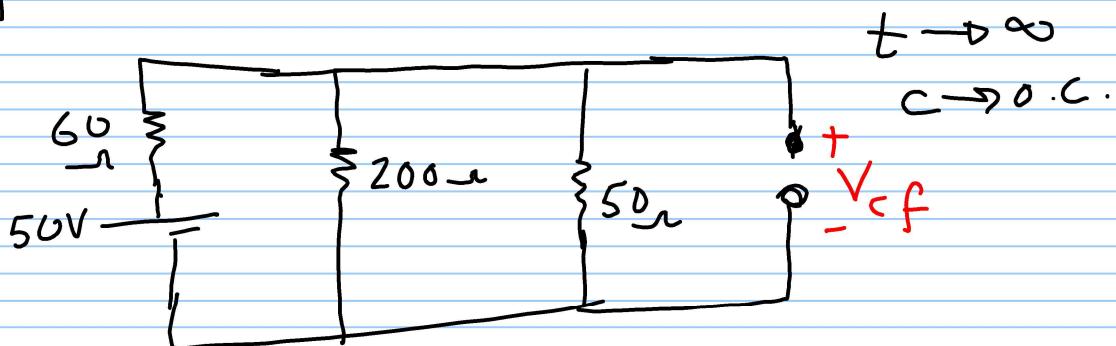
$$V_{ci} = \frac{50}{50+10} * 120$$

$$= 100 \text{ V}$$


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$V_{cf}$

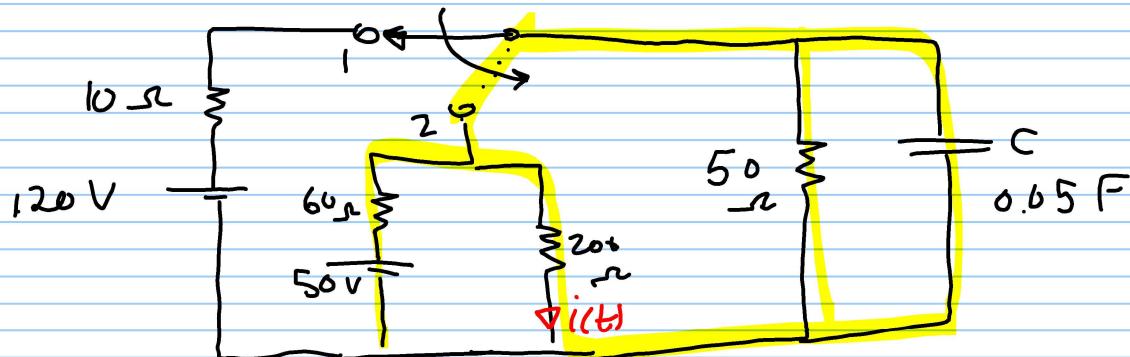
$t \rightarrow \infty$



$$V_{cf} = \frac{[50/200]}{[50/200] + 60} \times 50 = 20 \text{ V}$$


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to find  $\tau$



$$\tau = R_{eq} C$$

$$R_{eq} = 60/1/200/50$$

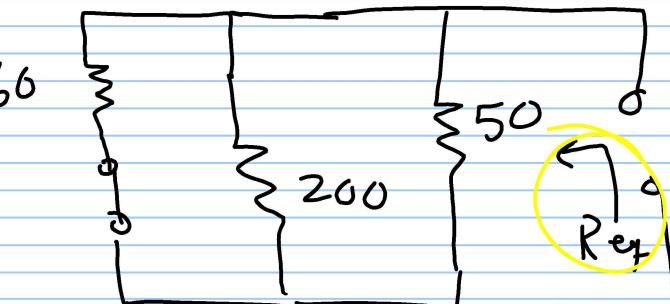
$$= 24 \Omega$$

$$\therefore \tau = 24 \times 0.05$$

$$= 1.2 \text{ Sec.}$$

$$V_c(t) = 20 + [100 - 20] e^{-t/1.2}$$

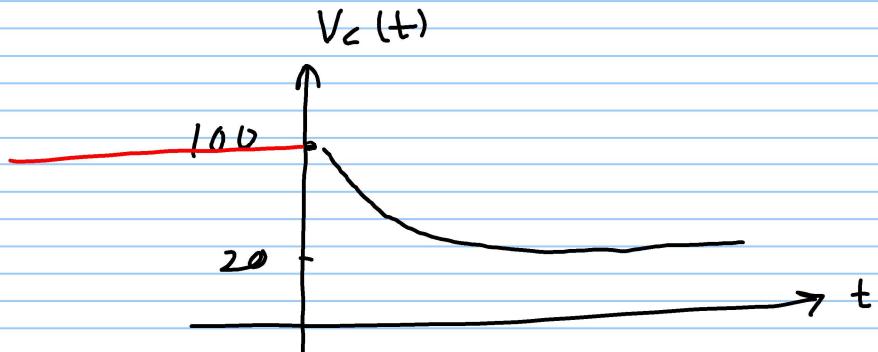
$$= 20 + 80 e^{-t/1.2} \text{ V}, t \geq 0$$



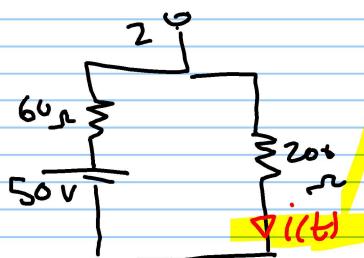
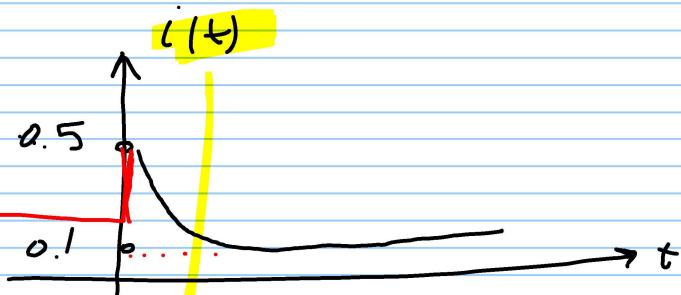
$$\text{Now, } V_C(t) = V_{200\text{--}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} i(t) &= \frac{V_{200}}{200} = \frac{V_C(t)}{200} \\ &= 0.1 + 0.4 e^{-t/1.2} \text{ A, } t > 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$V_C(0^-) = V_C(0^+)$$

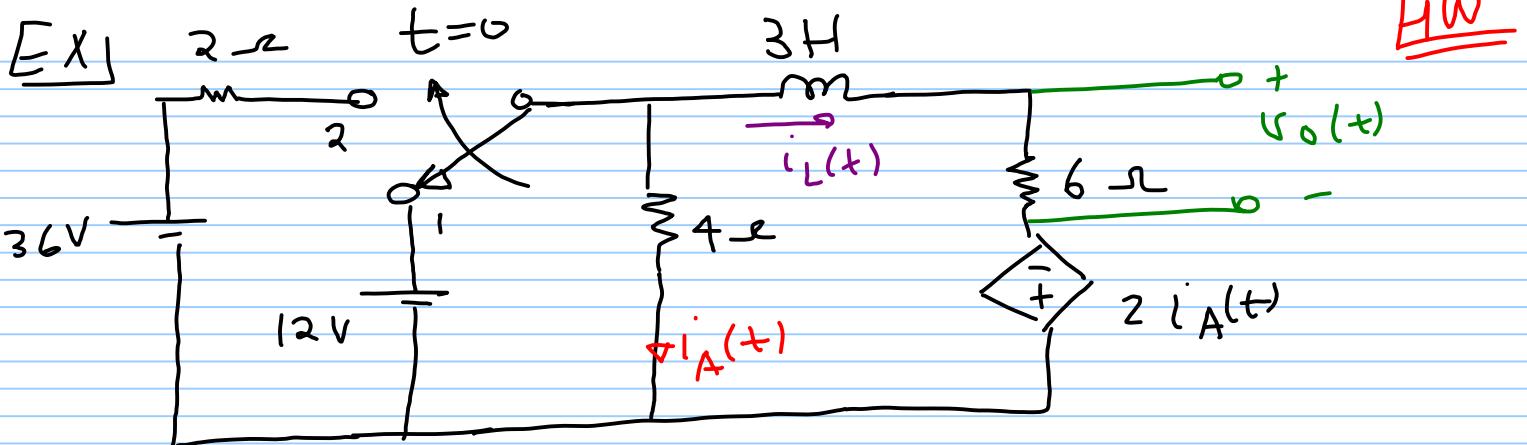


sudden change  
of  $i(t)$  for  $R = 200\Omega$



$$i(0^-) = \frac{50}{260}$$

$$= 0.1923 \text{ A}$$



find  $v_o(t)$  for  $t > 0$

$$i_L(t) = i_f + [i_i - i_f] e^{-t/\tau}$$