

Homework #5  
Due Th. 10/18

You may use Matlab to generate plots.

1. (Hambley P4.7)

Given an initially charged capacitance that begins to discharge through a resistance at  $t = 0$ ,

- (a) What percentage of the initial voltage remains at two time constants?
- (b) What percentage of initial stored energy remains?

2. (Hambley P4.9)

In physics, the half-life is often used to characterize exponential decay of physical quantities such as radioactive substances. The half-life is the time required for the quantity to decay to half of its initial value. The time constant for the voltage on a capacitance discharging through a resistance is  $\tau = RC$ . Find an expression for the half-life of the voltage in terms of  $RC$ .

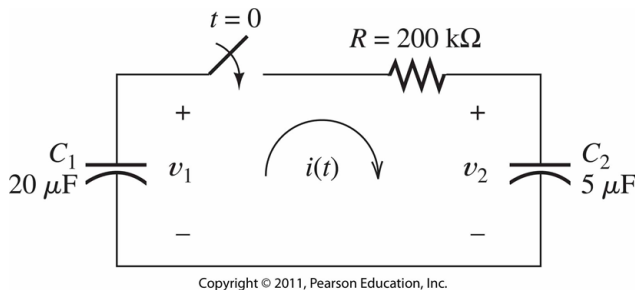


Figure P4.18

3. (Hambley P4.18)

Consider the circuit shown in Fig. P4.18. Prior to  $t = 0$ ,  $v_1 = 100$  V, and  $v_2 = 0$ .

- (a) Immediately after the switch is closed, what is the value of the current [i.e., what is the value of  $i(0^+)$ ]?
- (b) Write the circuit equations needed to obtain the differential equation relating current?
- (c) What is the value of the time constant in this circuit?

- (d) Find an expression for the current as a function of time.
- (e) Find the value that  $v_2$  approaches as  $t$  becomes very large.

4. (Hambley P4.20)

Explain why we replace capacitances with open circuits and inductances with short circuits in dc steady-state analysis.

5. (Hambley P4.24)

The circuit shown in Fig. P4.24 has been setup for a long time prior to  $t = 0$  with the switch closed. Find the value of  $v_C$  prior to  $t = 0$ . Find the steady-state value of  $v_C$  after the switch has been opened for a long time.

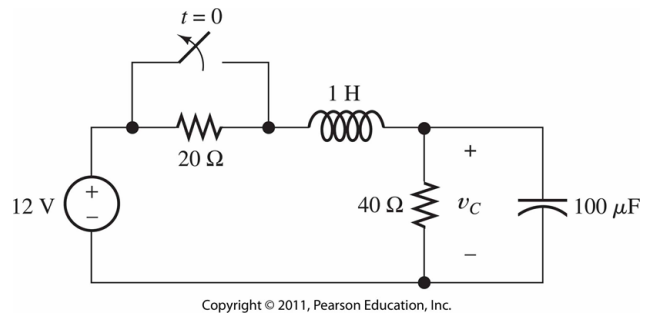


Figure P4.24

6. (Hambley P4.27)

The circuit of Fig. P4.27 has been connected for a very long time. Determine the values of  $v_C$  and  $i_R$ .

## 7. (Hambley P4.28)

Consider the circuit of Fig. P4.28 in which the switch has been closed for a long time prior to  $t = 0$ .

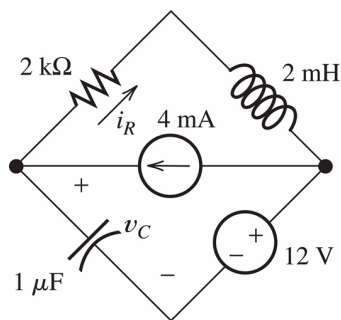
- Determine the values of  $v_C(t)$  before  $t = 0$  and a long time after  $t = 0$ .
- Also determine the time constant after the switch opens and an expression for  $v_C(t)$ .
- Sketch  $v_C(t)$  to scale versus time for  $-0.2 \leq t \leq 0.5$  s

## 8. (Hambley P4.42)

The switch shown in Fig. P4.42 has been closed for a long time prior to  $t = 0$ , then it opens at  $t = 0$  and closes again at  $t = 1$  s. Find  $i_L(t)$  for all  $t$ .

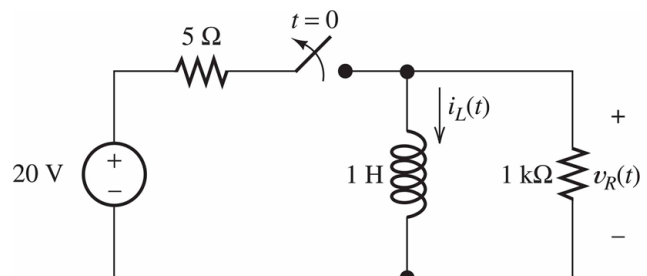
## 9. (Hambley P4.43)

Determine expressions for and sketch  $v_R(t)$  to scale versus time for the circuit of Fig. P4.43. The circuit is operating in steady state with the switch closed prior to  $t = 0$ . Consider the time interval  $-1 \leq t \leq 5$  ms.



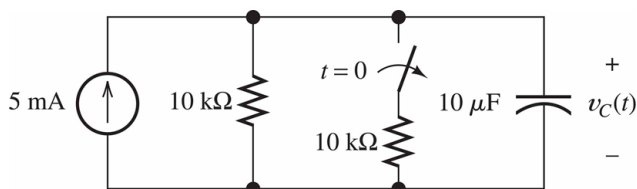
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Figure P4.27



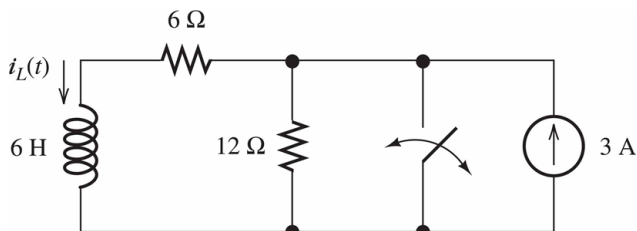
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