

Lecture 10 - Chapter 6, 7 - RC/RL Circuits

Administrivia \equiv None 😊

Today \rightarrow *Chapter 6 \equiv I will cover sections 6.1, 6.2; READ 6.3

That's all you need to know from chapter 6

skip 7.6, 7.7

Chapter 7 \equiv [Natural/Step response of RC/RL

Section 7.4 today, do examples all next week from 7.1, 7.2, 7.3 & 7.5 Circuits]

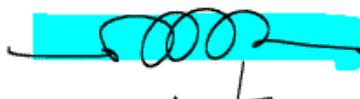
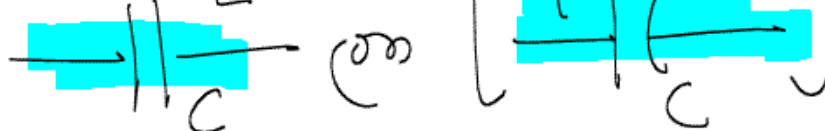
*Note: We will do chapter 5 in two weeks

Chapter 6 - Inductance & Capacitance

● Inductors (aka "choke" aka "coil") & Capacitors are elements that store energy in a magnetic field & electric field respectively.

● Inductance. Unit: Henry Typical: 1 mH

Capacitance, Unit: Farad Typical: 1 μ F

● Inductor symbol: 
Capacitor symbol: 

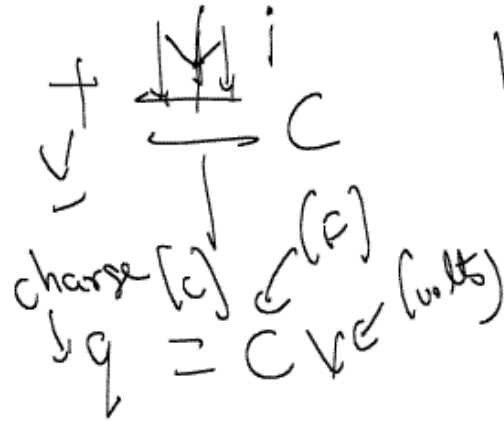
I-V RELATIONSHIP



$$V = iR$$

$$P = Vi$$

$$= \frac{V^2}{R} = i^2 R$$



$$\Rightarrow \frac{dq}{dt} = \frac{d(CV)}{dt}$$

$$\Rightarrow i = C \frac{dv}{dt} + 0$$



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

$$P = Vi$$

$$E = \int P = \frac{1}{2} Li^2$$

more important (Joules)

Note


passive

sign

convention

Continuity Property for Inductors & Capacitors

Inductor: $V = L \frac{di}{dt}$



A circuit diagram showing an inductor symbol (a coil) with a voltage source V across it and a current i flowing through it.

(Q:.) What happens to v if my i changes instantaneously?

i.e.. $\left[\frac{di}{dt} \rightarrow \text{finite value} \right] \Rightarrow v \rightarrow \infty$ (L is constant)

$\frac{di}{dt} \rightarrow \text{zero}$

Current through an inductor does not change instantaneously

Similarly, Voltage across a capacitor cannot change instantaneously ($i = C \frac{dv}{dt}$)

Mathematical details \rightarrow look up Dirac delta function

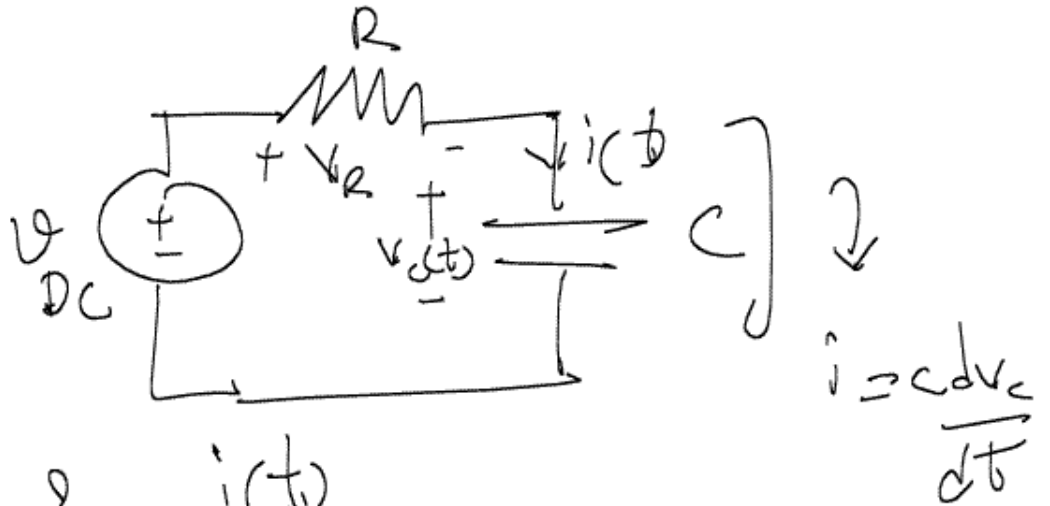
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You are not responsible for this!

Mini-HW = Read 6.3: $L_2 \left[\begin{array}{c} \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} \\ | \\ L_1 \\ | \\ \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} \end{array} \right] \Rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{c} \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} \\ | \\ L_3 = L_1 + L_2 \\ | \\ \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} \end{array} \right]$

Now, Chapter 7!

Chapter 7 - RC / RL Circuits [Natural & Step response]

RC circuit:



Goal: Find $V_C(t)$ & $i(t)$.

Sol: $V_{DC} = V_R + V_C$ [KVL]

First, let's find $V_C(t)$

Note! For capacitors, we find v_c first, instead of i . Because $i = C \frac{dv_c}{dt}$

$$\Rightarrow V_{DC} = iR + V_c$$

$$\Rightarrow V_{DC} = \left(C \frac{dv_c}{dt} \right) R + V_c$$

$$\Rightarrow V_{DC} = \underbrace{(RC)}_{\substack{\text{units} \\ \text{seconds}}} \frac{dv_c}{dt} + V_c \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

(1) is an example of a first-order \rightarrow no $\frac{d^2y}{dt^2}$ etc
ordinary linear differential equation with
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 no partial derivatives
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 nothing like $\left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2$, $\sin(\omega t)$ etc
constant coefficients
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 because $R, C \text{ \& } V_{oc}$ are constant

(2) What makes differential equations hard to solve?
 That is, why is $a + 3 = 5$ easier?

Sol: (1) Solutions are not usually unique
eg: $x + y = 5$, unique: $x = 2$

(2) Solutions should satisfy ~~an~~ differential equation for all time \leftarrow hard to do!

Best way to solve diff. eqs. \Rightarrow Guess at a solution.

(1) $\Rightarrow V_{DC} = RC \frac{dV_C}{dt} + V_C \Rightarrow$ looks like
 $k = A \frac{dx}{dt} + x$

"looks like"

$$\frac{dx}{dt} + x = 0 \rightarrow \frac{dx}{dt} = -x$$

$x(t) \approx e^{-t}$ (Forgetting boundary condition)

Based on our intuition above, let us guess

$$x_c(t) = A + B e^{-t}$$

Note:

$$\beta \frac{dx}{dt} + x = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{-x}{\beta} \Rightarrow x(t) = e^{-t/\beta}$$

Therefore, our "final" guess is: $\rightarrow t/\tau$

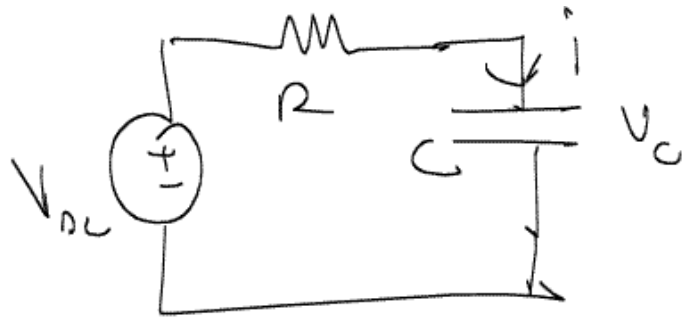
$$v_c(t) = A + B e^{-t/\tau}$$

Goal: Find A, B, τ

eqn: $v_{oc} = RC \frac{dv_c}{dt} + v_c$

(1) Find A : $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} v_c(t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} (A + B e^{-t/\tau})$

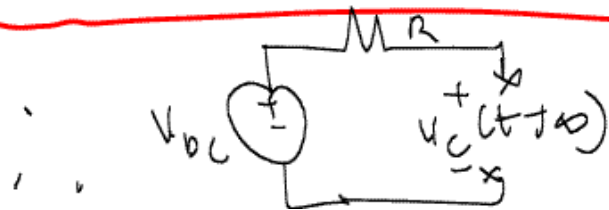
$\Rightarrow A \quad \text{oc } A = v_c(t \rightarrow \infty)$



$t \rightarrow \infty$ means the circuit has been in operation for a very long time i.e. $V_C = A$ is a constant

$$\Rightarrow i = C \frac{dV_C}{dt} = 0 \text{ A}$$

\Rightarrow (W) After a very long time, capacitors are modelled as open circuits because they are fully charged.



$$\therefore \boxed{V_C(t \rightarrow \infty) = V_{oc} = A}$$

$$\therefore V_c(t) = V_{oc} + B e^{-t/\tau}$$

(2) Find B: Suppose $V_c(t=0) = V_0$
initial voltage across the capacitor.

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore B \equiv V_c(t=0) &= V_{oc} + B \Rightarrow V_0 = V_{oc} + B \\ &\Rightarrow \boxed{B = V_0 - V_{oc}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore V_c(t) = \underline{V_{oc} + (V_0 - V_{oc}) e^{-t/\tau}} \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

(3) Find τ ; Notice (2) satisfies: $\alpha + \beta = 7$

$$V_{oc} = RC \frac{dV_c}{dt} + V_c \quad \hookrightarrow \text{satisfy}$$

$$\Rightarrow V_{oc} = RC \frac{d}{dt} \left[V_{oc} + (V_0 - V_{oc}) e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}} \right] + (V_{oc} + (V_0 - V_{oc}) e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}})$$

$$\Rightarrow V_{oc} = RC \left(0 + \frac{-(V_0 - V_{oc})}{-\tau} e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}} \right) + V_{oc} + (V_0 - V_{oc}) e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{RC (V_0 - V_{oc}) e^{-t/\tau}}{\tau} = \frac{(V_0 - V_{oc}) e^{-t/\tau}}{\tau}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\tau = RC}$$

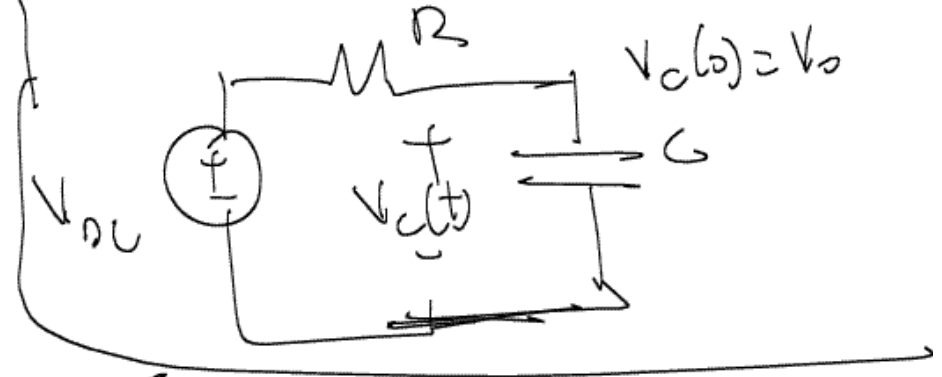
$$\boxed{V_c(t) = V_{oc} + (V_0 - V_{oc}) e^{-t/RC}} \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

Observations: I

(1) $V_c(0)$ in (3) = V_0 ✓

(2) $V_c(t \rightarrow \infty) = V_{oc}$ ✓

(3) Units: check RC ✓



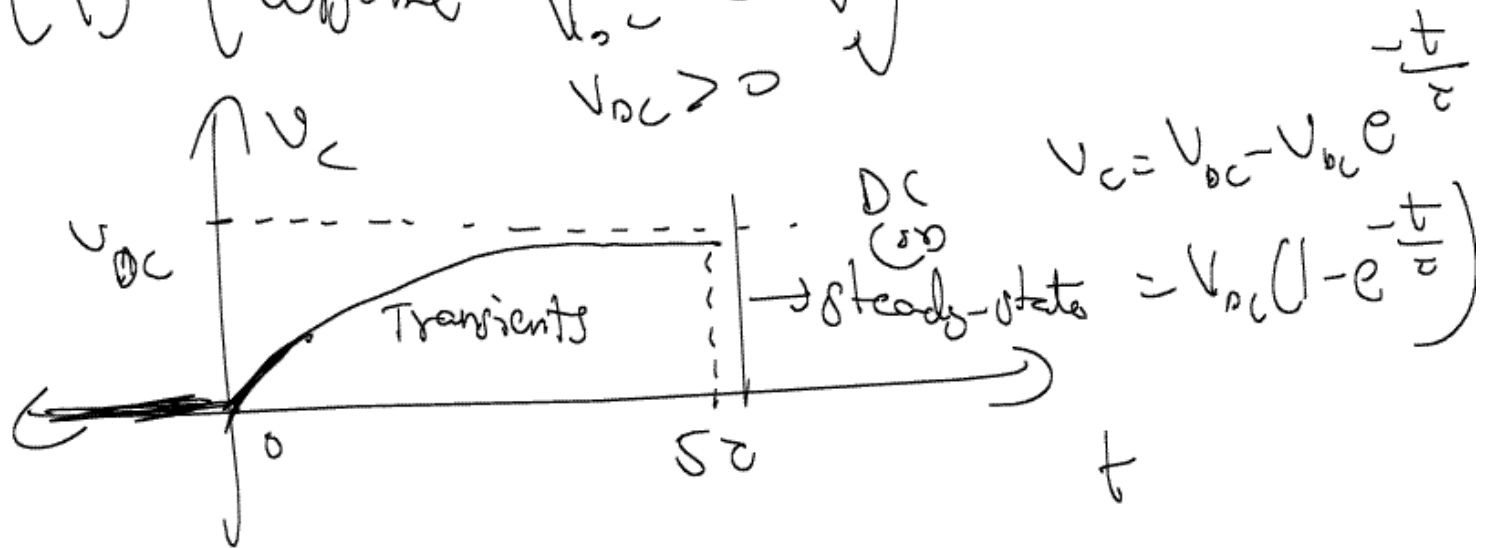
$$RC = \left(\frac{\cancel{V}}{\cancel{I}} \right) \left(\frac{Q}{\cancel{V}} \right) = \left(\frac{Q}{\frac{dQ}{dt}} \right) = \left(\frac{C}{s} \right) = \underline{\underline{\text{seconds}}}$$

Observation II: (1) Significance of $\tau = RC$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } V_C(t=5\tau) &= V_{DC} + (V_0 - V_{DC}) e^{-\frac{5\tau}{\tau}} \quad (\text{TIME CONSTANT}) \\ &= V_{DC} + (V_0 - V_{DC}) e^{-5} \approx V_{DC} \end{aligned}$$

That is, problem is "over" in 5 time constants

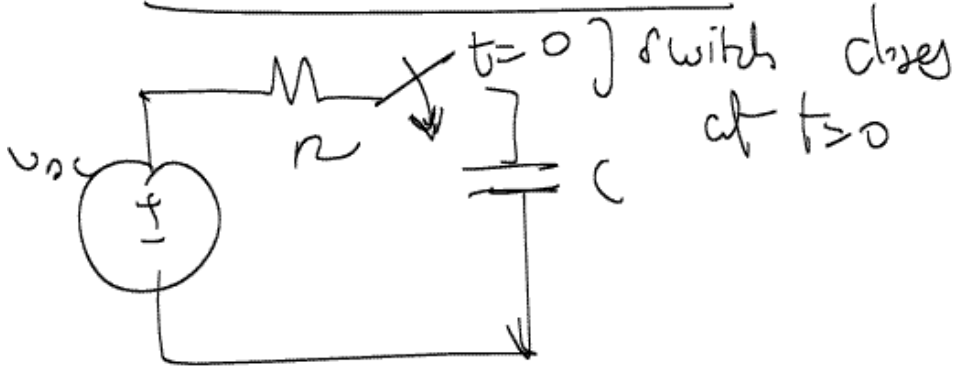
(2) Easier to understand from a plot of $V_C(t)$ (assume $V_0 = 0$ V)



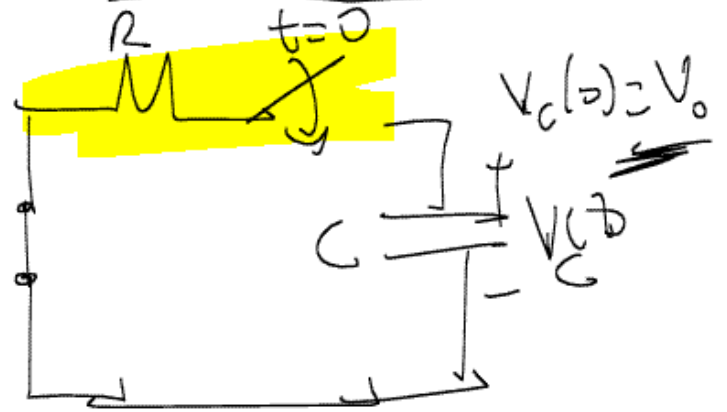
Note: This $V_C(t)$ is called the step response
 (∞) a forced response as opposed to

natural response \leftarrow response to initial conditions only

STEP RESPONSE



NATURAL RESPONSE

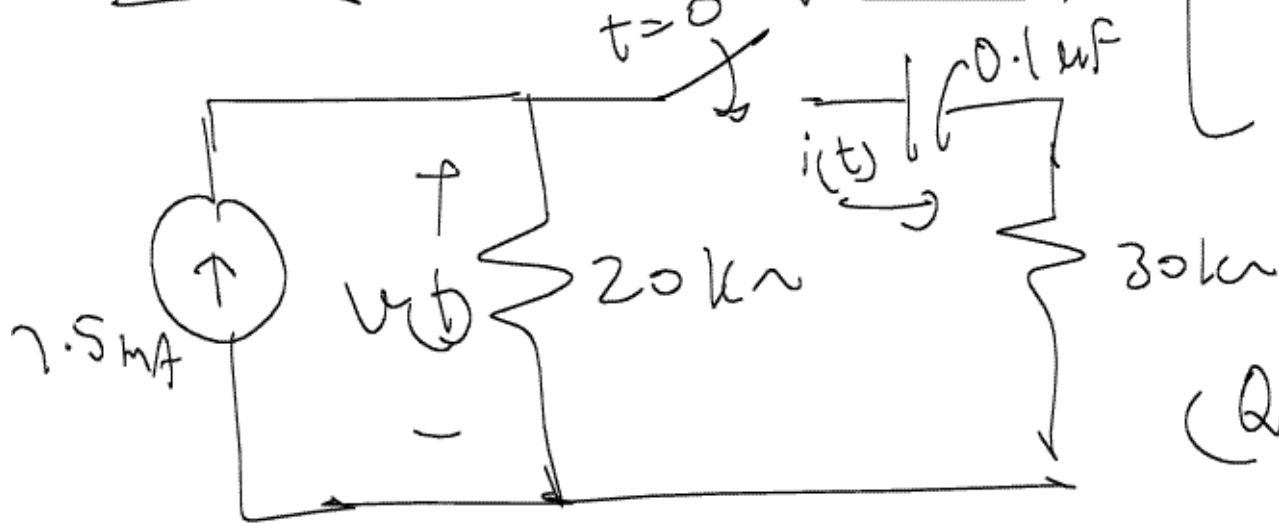


$$V_c(t) = V_{oc} + (V_0 - V_{oc}) e^{-t/\tau}$$

$$V_c(t) = V_0 e^{-t/\tau}$$

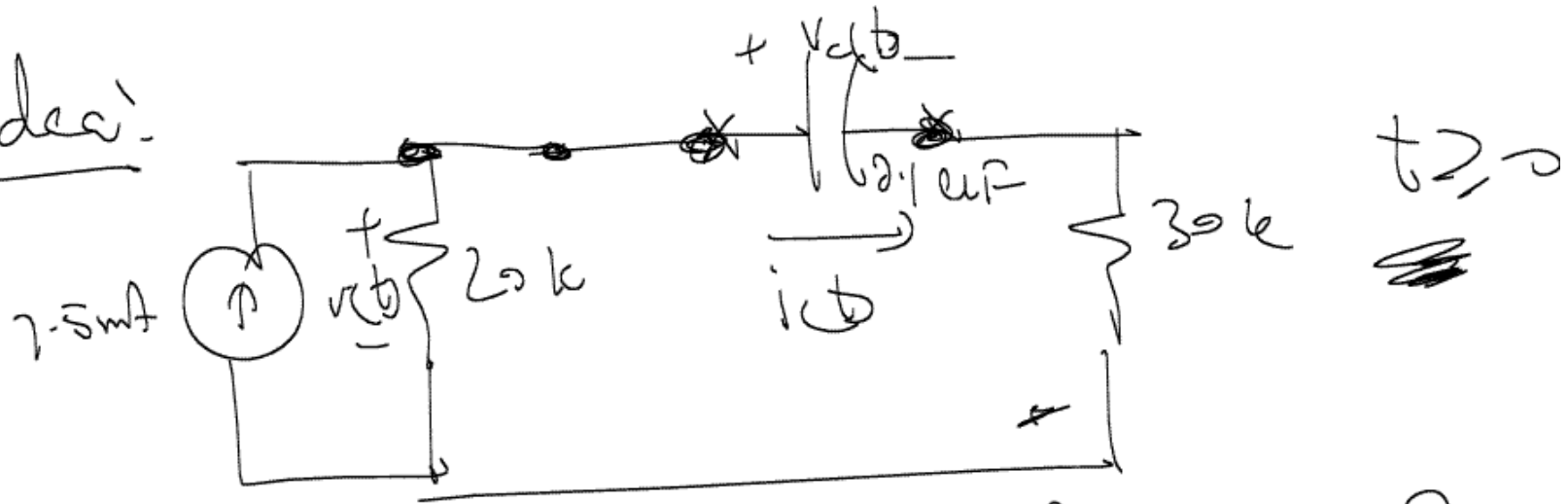


Example: Eg (2-8), p. 289 (Setup only, solve on Tuesday)

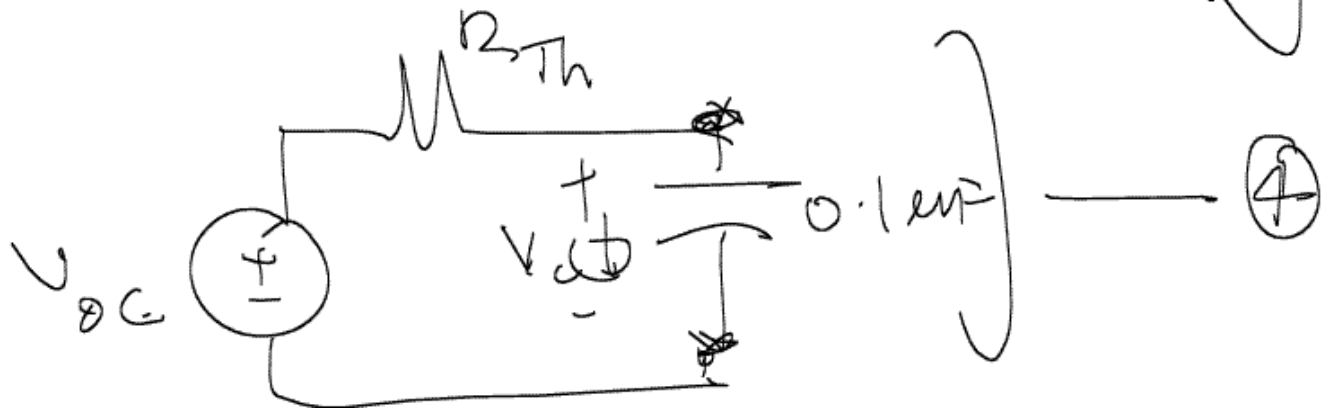


(Q:) Switch has been open for a very long time, closes at $t=0$. Find $i(t)$, $v(t)$, $t \geq 0$

Idea:



Find i by finding v_c $\left[i = C \frac{dv_c}{dt} \right]$

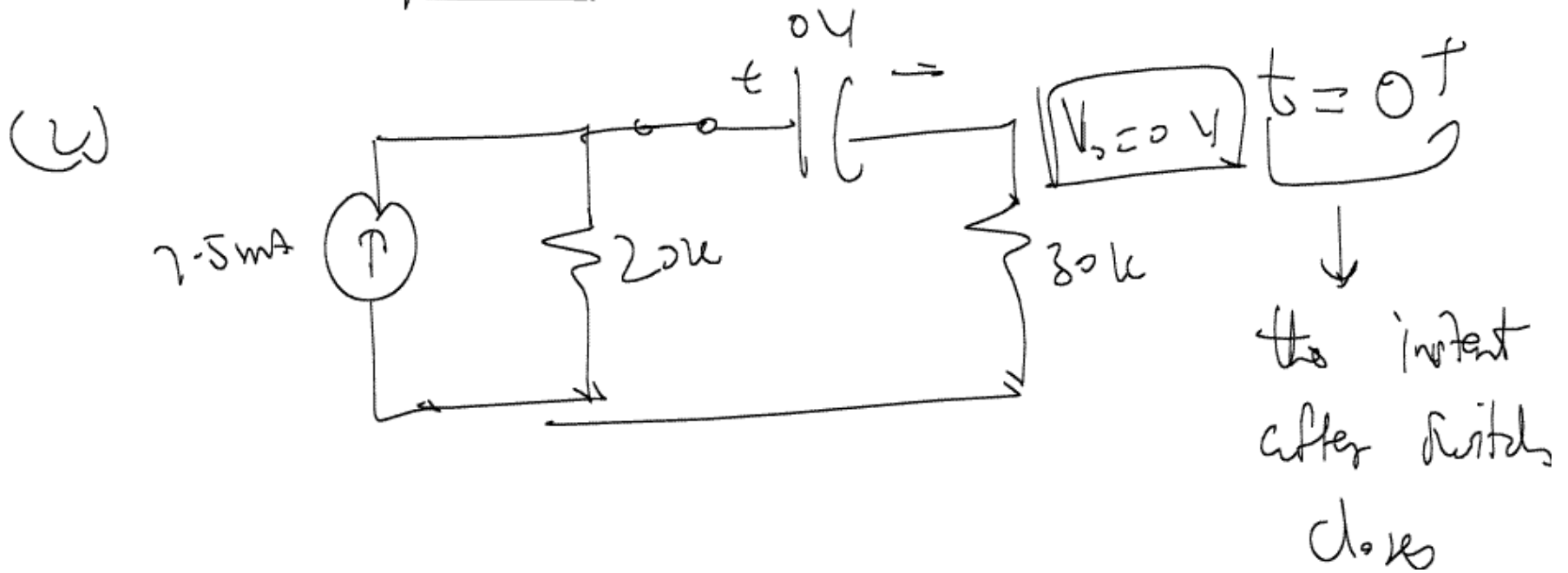
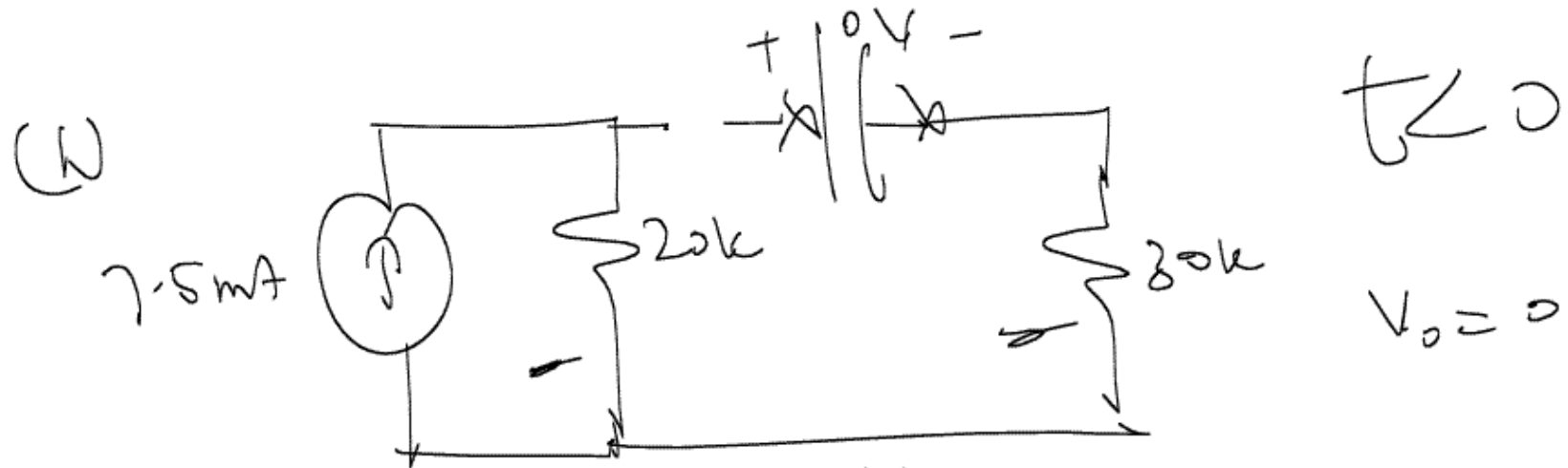


④ can be solved !!!

$$V_c(t) = V_{oc} + (V_o - V_{oc}) e^{-t/\tau_{RC}}$$

Notice: To find V_o , you have to use circuit analysis.

That is, problem stated the switch had been open for a very long time.



Next time

↳ Finish example above

↳ More examples!!!