## Another Sample ES 250 Second Midterm Exam

**1.** This circuit has two inputs,  $v_s$  and  $i_s$ , and one output  $i_o$ . The output is related to the inputs by the equation

$$i_{\rm o} = a i_{\rm s} + b v_{\rm s}$$

Given the following two facts:

The output is  $i_0 = 0.45$  A when the inputs are  $i_s = 0.25$  A and  $v_s = 15$  V.

and

The output is 
$$i_0 = 0.30$$
 A when the inputs are  $i_s = 0.50$  A and  $v_s = 0$  V.

Determine the following:

The values of the constants *a* and *b* are 
$$a = \__0.6\__$$
 and  $b = \__0.02\__A/V$   
The values of the resistances are  $R_1 = \__30\__\Omega$  and  $R_2 = \__20\__\Omega$ .

From the 1<sup>st</sup> fact: 
$$0.45 = a(0.25) + b(15)$$
  
From the 2nd fact:  $0.30 = a(0.50) + b(0) \implies a = \frac{0.30}{0.50} = 0.60$   
Substituting gives  $0.45 = (0.60)(0.25) + b(15) \implies b = \frac{0.45 - (0.60)(0.25)}{15} = 0.02$ 

Next, consider the circuit:

$$a i_{s} = i_{o1} = i_{o} \Big|_{v_{s}=0} = \left(\frac{R_{1}}{R_{1} + R_{2}}\right) i_{s}$$



so



and

$$bv_{\rm s} = i_{\rm o2} = i_{\rm o}\Big|_{i_{\rm s}=0} = \frac{v_{\rm s}}{R_{\rm 1} + R_{\rm 2}}$$

so

$$0.02 = \frac{1}{R_1 + R_2} \implies R_1 + R_2 = \frac{1}{0.02} = 50 \ \Omega$$



Solving these equations gives  $R_1 = 30 \Omega$  and  $R_2 = 20 \Omega$ .



- **2.** Fill in the blanks in the following statements:
- 6Ω 20 **Ω** When  $R = 9 \Omega$  then  $v_R = \underline{3} V$ . When  $R = \underline{27} \Omega$  then  $v_R = 5.4$  V.  $\leq 30 \Omega$ 9 V 300 mA  $\geq R$ When  $R = \underline{12} \Omega$  then  $i_R = 300$  mA.

Reduce this circuit using source transformations and equivalent resistance:



Now  $v_{\rm R} = \left(\frac{R}{R+18}\right)9$  and  $i_{\rm R} = \frac{9}{R+18}$  so the questions can be easily answered.

**3.** Determine the values of the node voltages  $v_a$ ,  $v_b$ ,  $v_c$  and  $v_o$ :

$$v_{\rm a} = \__2.75\__V, v_{\rm b} = \__2.8125\_V,$$
  
 $v_{\rm c} = \__2.25\_V,$  and  $v_{\rm o} = \__2.50\_V.$ 

Due to the properties of the ideal op amp,  $v_a = 2.75$  V and  $v_c = 2.25$  V. The node equation at node c is

$$\frac{v_{\rm b} - v_{\rm c}}{10 \times 10^3} = \frac{v_{\rm c}}{40 \times 10^3} \implies v_{\rm b} = \frac{5}{4} v_{\rm c} = 2.8125 \text{ V}$$

The node equation at node c is

$$\frac{v_{\rm o} - v_{\rm a}}{40 \times 10^3} = \frac{v_{\rm a} - v_{\rm b}}{10 \times 10^3} \implies v_{\rm o} = 5v_{\rm a} - 4v_{\rm b} = 2.5 \text{ V}$$





The input to this circuit is the voltage,  $v_s$ . The output is the voltage  $v_o$ . The voltage  $v_b$  is used to adjust the relationship between the input and output. Determine values of  $R_4$  and  $v_b$  that cause the circuit input and output have the relationship specified by the graph

 $v_{\rm b} = \__4\__V$  and  $R_4 = \__55\__k\Omega$ .

(a) Label the node voltages as shown. The node equations are

$$\frac{v_{\rm s} - v_{\rm a}}{R_{\rm 1}} + \frac{v_{\rm b} - v_{\rm a}}{R_{\rm 2}} = \frac{v_{\rm a}}{R_{\rm 3}}$$

and

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$$\frac{v_{\rm a}}{R_5} = \frac{v_{\rm o} - v_{\rm a}}{R_4} \implies v_{\rm a} = \left(\frac{R_5}{R_4 + R_5}\right) v_{\rm o}$$

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Solving these equations gives

$$\frac{v_{s}}{R_{1}} = \left(\frac{1}{R_{1}} + \frac{1}{R_{2}} + \frac{1}{R_{3}}\right)v_{a} - \frac{v_{b}}{R_{2}} = \left(\frac{R_{1}R_{2} + R_{2}R_{3} + R_{1}R_{3}}{R_{1}R_{2}R_{3}} \times \frac{R_{5}}{R_{4} + R_{5}}\right)v_{o} - \frac{v_{b}}{R_{2}}$$
$$v_{o} = \left(\frac{R_{2}R_{3}}{R_{1}R_{2} + R_{2}R_{3} + R_{1}R_{3}} \times \frac{R_{4} + R_{5}}{R_{5}}\right)v_{s} + \frac{R_{1}R_{3}}{R_{1}R_{2} + R_{2}R_{3} + R_{1}R_{3}} \times \frac{R_{4} + R_{5}}{R_{5}} \times v_{b}$$

So

When 
$$R_1 = R_2 = R_3 = 10 \text{ k}\Omega$$
:  
 $v_o = \left(\frac{R_4 + R_5}{3R_5}\right)v_s + \frac{R_4 + R_5}{3R_5} \times v_b$   
So  $a = \frac{R_4 + R_5}{3R_5} \text{ and } b = \frac{R_4 + R_5}{3R_5} \times v_b$ 

(b) The equation of the straight line is  $v_{o} = \frac{5}{4}v_{s} + 5$ We require  $\frac{R_{4} + R_{5}}{3R_{5}} = \frac{5}{4}$  When  $R_5 = 20 \text{ k}\Omega$  then  $R_4 = 55 \text{ k}\Omega$ . Next we require

$$5 = \frac{R_4 + R_5}{3R_5} \times v_b = \frac{5}{4}v_b$$
$$v_b = 4 V$$

i.e.

**5.** The input to this circuit is the voltage:  $v(t) = 4e^{-20t}$  V for t > 0

The output is the current:  $i(t) = -1.2 e^{-20t} - 1.5$  A for t > 0

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The initial condition is  $i_{\rm L}(0) = -3.5$  A. Determine the values of the resistance and inductance:

 $R = \__5 \__\Omega$  and  $L = \__0.1 \__H$ .

**Solution:** Apply KCL at either node to get

$$i(t) = \frac{v(t)}{R} + i_{\mathrm{L}}(t) = \frac{v(t)}{R} + \left[\frac{1}{L}\int_{0}^{t}v(\tau)d\tau + i(0)\right]$$

That is

$$-1.2 e^{-20t} - 1.5 = \frac{4 e^{-20t}}{R} + \frac{1}{L} \int_0^t 4 e^{-20\tau} d\tau - 3.5 = \frac{4 e^{-20t}}{R} + \frac{4}{L(-20)} \left( e^{-20t} - 1 \right) - 3.5$$
$$= \left( \frac{4}{R} - \frac{1}{5L} \right) e^{-20t} + \frac{1}{5L} - 3.5$$
icients gives
$$-1.5 = \frac{1}{5L} - 3.5 \implies L = 0.1 \text{ H}$$

Equating coefficients gives

$$-1.2 = \frac{4}{R} - \frac{1}{5L} = \frac{4}{R} - \frac{1}{5(0.1)} = \frac{4}{R} - 2 \implies R = 5 \Omega$$

And



**6.** The initial inductor current is i(0) = $v_{\rm S}$  (V) 25 mA.  $\downarrow i(t)$ 2 Determine the values of the inductor 1 current at 2, 3, 6 and 9 seconds:  $v_{\rm S}(t)$ 100 H 8 9 *t* (s) 2 4 6 i(2) = -15 mA, -2 i(3) = -55\_\_\_\_\_mA, -4  $i(6) = \__5 __mA,$  $i(9) = ___65___mA.$ 

$$i(t) = \frac{1}{100} \int_0^t 0 \, dt + 0.025 = 0.025 \quad \text{for} \quad 0 < t < 1$$

so i(1) = 0.025 A

$$i(t) = \frac{1}{100} \int_{1}^{t} -4 \, d\tau + 0.025 = \frac{-4(t-1)}{100}$$
 for  $1 < t < 3$ 

so i(2) = -0.015 A, and i(3) = -0.055 A

$$i(t) = \frac{1}{100} \int_{3}^{t} 2 \, d\tau - 0.055 = \frac{2(t-3)}{100} - 0.055 \qquad \text{for} \qquad 3 < t < 9$$

so i(9) = 0.065 A

$$i(t) = \frac{1}{100} \int_{9}^{t} 0 \, d\tau + 0.065 = 0.065$$
 for  $t > 9$ 

7.

a. When C = 10 F then C<sub>eq</sub> = \_\_\_25\_F.
b. When C = \_\_\_3.2\_F then C<sub>eq</sub> = 8 F.



$$C_{\rm eq} = C + \frac{C \times C}{C + C} + C = \frac{5}{2}C$$

**8.** This circuit has reached steady state before the switch opens at time t = 0. Determine the values of  $i_{\rm L}(t)$ ,  $v_{\rm C}(t)$  and  $v_{\rm R}(t)$  immediately before the switch opens:

$$i_{\rm L}(0-) = 1_{\rm A}, v_{\rm C}(0-) = 20_{\rm V}$$

and

$$v_{\rm R}(0-)=$$
\_\_\_\_V

Determine the value of  $v_{\rm R}(t)$  immediately after the switch opens:

 $v_{\rm R}(0+) = -4_{\rm V}$ 

Solution: Because

- This circuit has reached steady state before the switch opens at time *t* = 0.
- The only source is a **constant** voltage **source**.

At *t*=0–, the capacitor acts like an open circuit and the inductor acts like a short circuit. From the circuit

$$i_{1}(0-) = \frac{25}{4+(20 \parallel 80)} = \frac{25}{4+16} = 1.25 \text{ A},$$
$$i_{L}(0-) = \left(\frac{80}{20+80}\right)i_{1}(0-) = 1 \text{ A}, v_{C}(0-) = 20i_{L}(0-) = 20 \text{ V}$$

and

$$v_{\rm R}(0-) = -4i_1(0-) = -5$$
 V

The capacitor voltage and inductor current don't change instantaneously so

$$v_{\rm C}(0+) = v_{\rm C}(0-) = 20 \text{ V} \text{ and } i_{\rm L}(0+) = i_{\rm L}(0-) = 1 \text{ A}$$

Apply KCL at the top node to see that

$$i_1(0+) = i_L(0+) = 1$$
 A

From Ohm's law

$$v_{\rm R}(0+) = -4i_1(0+) = -4$$
 V

(Notice that the resistor voltage did change instantaneously.)







**9.** After time t = 0, a given circuit is represented by this circuit diagram.

a. Suppose that the inductor current is

$$i(t) = 21.6 + 28.4 e^{-4t}$$
 mA for  $t \ge 0$ 

Determine the values of  $R_1$  and  $R_3$ :  $R_1 = \__6 \__\Omega$  and  $R_3 = \__40 \__\Omega$ .

**b.** Suppose instead that  $R_1 = 16 \Omega$ ,  $R_3 = 20 \Omega$ , the initial condition is i(0) = 10 mA, and the inductor current is  $i(t) = A - Be^{-at}$  for  $t \ge 0$ . Determine the values of the constants A, B, and a:

 $A = \__28.8$  mA,  $B = \__-18.8$  mA and  $a = \__5$  s.

## Solution:

The inductor current is given by  $i(t) = i_{sc} + (i(0) - i_{sc})e^{-at}$  for  $t \ge 0$  where  $a = \frac{1}{\tau} = \frac{R_t}{L}$ . **a.** Comparing this to the given equation gives  $21.6 = i_{sc} = \frac{R_1}{R_1 + 4}(36) \implies R_1 = 6 \Omega$  and

$$4 = \frac{R_{t}}{2} \implies R_{t} = 8 \ \Omega \ . \ \text{Next} \ 8 = R_{t} = \left(R_{1} + 4\right) || \ R_{3} = 10 || \ R_{3} \implies R_{3} = 40 \ \Omega \ .$$
  
**b.**  $R_{t} = (16+4) || \ 20 = 10 \ \Omega \ \text{so} \ a = \frac{1}{\tau} = \frac{10}{2} = 5 \ \text{s} \ . \ \text{also} \ i_{\text{sc}} = \frac{16}{16+4} (36) = 28.8 \ \text{mA} \ . \ \text{Then}$   
 $i(t) = i_{\text{sc}} + (i(0) - i_{\text{sc}}) e^{-at} = 28.8 + (10 - 28.8) e^{-5t} = 28.2 - 18.8 e^{-5t} \ .$ 

**10.** a) Determine the time constant,  $\tau$ , and the steady state capacitor voltage,  $v(\infty)$ , when the switch is **open**:

$$\tau = \underline{3}$$
 s and  $v(\infty) = \underline{24}$  V

**b**) Determine the time constant,  $\tau$ , and the steady state capacitor voltage,  $v(\infty)$ , when the switch is **closed**:

$$\tau = \_2.25\_s$$
 and  $v(\infty) = \_12\_V$ 

## Solution:

**a.**) When the switch is open we have







After replacing series and parallel resistors by equivalent resistors, the part of the circuit connected to the capacitor is a Thevenin equivalent circuit with  $R_t = 33.33 \Omega$ . The time constant is

 $\tau = R_{\rm t} C = 33.33(0.090) = 3 {\rm s}.$ 

Since the input is constant, the capacitor acts like an open circuit when the circuit is at steady state. Consequently, there is zero current in the 33.33  $\Omega$  resistor and KVL gives  $v(\infty) = 24$  V.

**b.**) When the switch is closed we have



This circuit can be redrawn as



Now we find the Thevenin equivalent of the part of the circuit connected to the capacitor:



So  $R_t = 25 \Omega$  and

$$\tau = R_{\rm t} C = 25(0.090) = 2.25 {\rm s}$$

Since the input is constant, the capacitor acts like an open circuit when the circuit is at steady state. Consequently, there is zero current in the 25  $\Omega$  resistor and KVL gives  $v(\infty) = 12$  V.