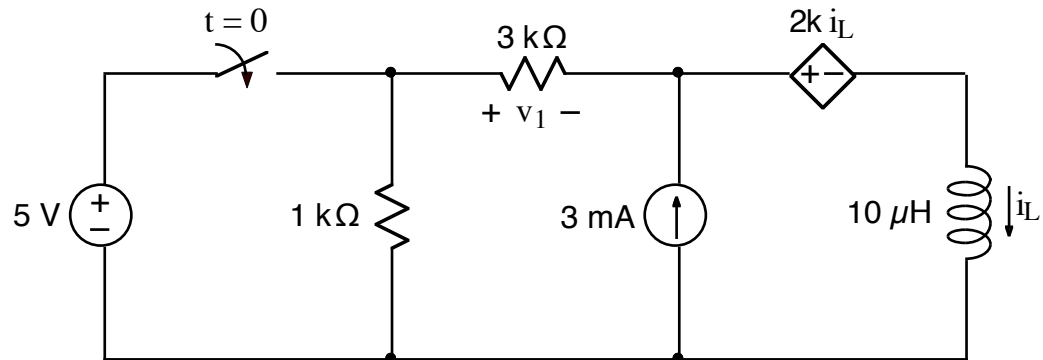


Ex:



After being open for a long time, the switch closes at $t = 0$. Find $v_1(t)$ for $t > 0$.

sol'n: To find $v_1(t > 0)$, we use the general form of solution, (which applies to any current or voltage):

$$v_1(t > 0) = v_1(t \rightarrow \infty) + [v_1(0^+) - v_1(t \rightarrow \infty)] e^{-t/\tau}$$

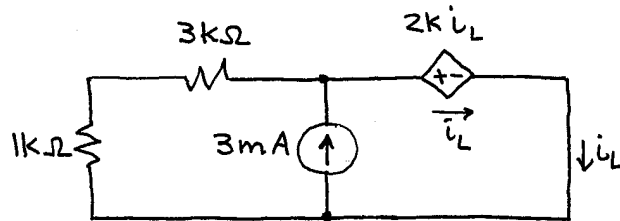
We have an inductor whose behavior at time $t = 0^+$ will affect the value of $v_1(0^+)$.

We find the value of i_L at time $t = 0^-$ and employ the concept that i_L , being an energy variable, cannot change instantly. Thus, $i_L(0^+) = i_L(0^-)$.

At $t = 0^+$, currents and voltages have stabilized, and time derivatives = 0. Thus, $v_L = L di/dt = 0V$ and the L acts like a wire: it has no v drop but it can carry current.

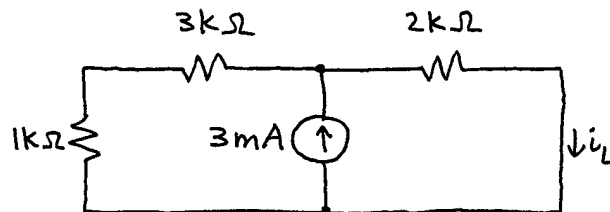
At $t = 0^-$, the switch is open, removing the 5V source from the circuit.

$t=0^-$:



We observe that the dependent source is equivalent to a resistor:

$$R_{eq} = \frac{V}{i} = \frac{2k i_L}{i_L} = 2k\Omega$$



This is a current divider.

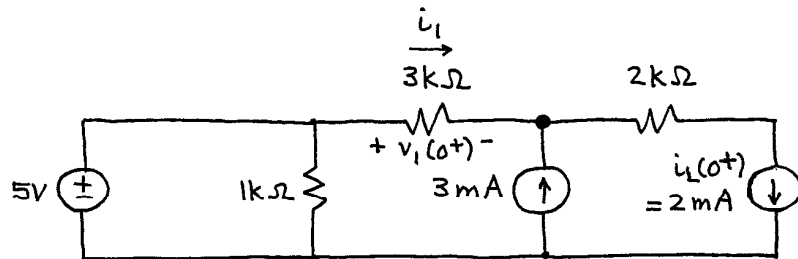
$$i_L(0^-) = 3\text{mA} \frac{1k\Omega + 3k\Omega}{1k\Omega + 3k\Omega + 2k\Omega} = 2\text{mA}$$

Note that we do not find $v_L(0^-)$ since it may change instantly when the switch closes.

$t=0^+$: We model the L as a current source with $i_L(0^+) = i_L(0^-)$.

The switch is closed for $t > 0$.

As before the dependent source acts like a $2k\Omega$ resistor.



A current summation at the node shown as a large dot gives the current thru the $3k\Omega$ resistor:

$$-i_1 - 3\text{mA} + 2\text{mA} = 0\text{A}$$

or

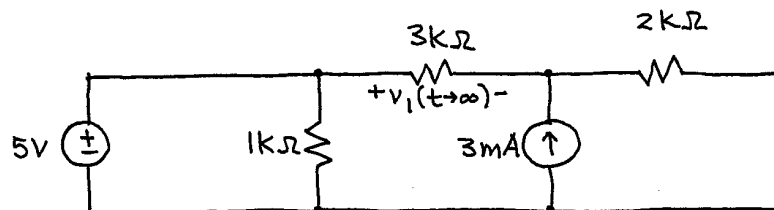
$$i_1 = -1\text{mA}$$

By Ohm's Law, we have

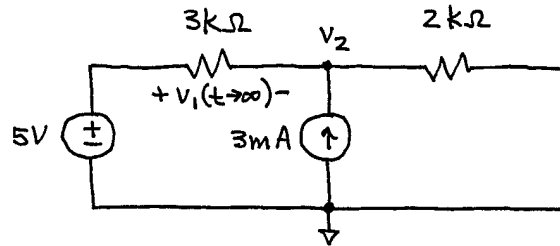
$$v_1(t^+) = i_1 \cdot 3k\Omega = -1\text{mA} \cdot 3k\Omega = -3\text{V}$$

Now we find $v_1(t \rightarrow \infty)$.

$t \rightarrow \infty$: The L again acts like a wire, and the switch is closed.



We may ignore the $1k\Omega$ resistor since it acts like a separate circuit across the 5V source. (The other circuit across the 5V source consists of $3k\Omega$, $2k\Omega$, and i_{src} .)



Using the node-voltage method, we have

$$\frac{v_2 - 5V}{3k\Omega} - 3mA + \frac{v_2}{2k\Omega} = 0A$$

Multiplying both sides by $6k\Omega$ yields

$$v_2 (2 + 3) = 2 \cdot 5V + 6k\Omega \cdot 3mA$$

or

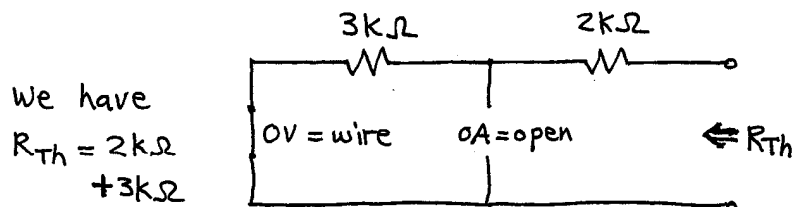
$$5v_2 = 28V$$

or

$$v_2 = \frac{28V}{5}$$

$$\text{Thus, } v_1(t \rightarrow \infty) = 5V - v_2 = 5V - \frac{28V}{5} = -\frac{3V}{5}$$

R_{Th} : We can use the circuit at the top of the page with the independent sources set to zero and the L (i.e., wire) removed.



We have
 $R_{Th} = 2k\Omega + 3k\Omega$

$$\therefore v_1(t > 0) = -\frac{3V}{5} + \left[-3V - \left(-\frac{3V}{5}\right) \right] e^{-\frac{t}{10\mu/5k}} = -0.6 - 2.4e^{-t/50ms} V$$